

CABE WORKSHOP 1 - 24TH February 2015

Brian Quinn and Colin Haylock

Attending for the whole or part –

Bob Bayman, David Wright, Richard Simon, Colin Love, Susan Love, Pru Chandler, Peter Darlow, Cob George, Anne Ablewhite, Will Tobin, Alan Gough, Richard Coombs, Bob Lockey, Jean Reavley, Annie Newman, John Preston, Samantha Brooman, Emma Murphy, Neville Spick, Leigh Donger, Val Lever, Tony and Shelagh Woollard.

1 What makes a good vision

Painting a picture of what you want in the future and how you will get there.

Working on specific themes and objectives to form the vision.

The Vision should be a 2 minute statement setting the scene and is probably best written last when the essence of the Plan can be captured.

2 Big Opportunities - Bottesford

Advantages of getting off the fence and being specific about land use.

Consider what would happen if you didn't have a Neighbourhood Plan.

Consider what would happen to the Parish if you left it to the Melton Plan.

If you would be happy with these scenarios why have a Neighbourhood Plan.

....SO WHAT WOULD YOU WANT DIFFERENT?

What do we like about the village, what is broken or doesn't work?

How can we influence change?

What are the Key interventions?

Distinctive and original !

We looked at a number of Neighbourhood Plans which were at different stages of development.

Drayton, Long Compton, Uppingham, Sedgefield, Boughton Astley

Long Compton was a similar to Bottesford in that it bordered on two other counties and was remote from the Borough centre.

Uppingham was felt to be a good NP, it had been challenged by a Developer but the challenge had been dismissed.

Colin mentioned Thame NP as worthy of study.

The Objectives and vision should be SMART, some of those in the NPs were not measurable

Maps of the Parish were put up and comment was made as follows.

a) Maintaining Strengths-

Keep it as a village, Natural Drift rather than square edges

Maintain feeling of space

Protect open spaces e.g. between B & E and area by VC Hall as FC leaves

Critical Diversity - not lots and lots of same or similar houses.

Maintain footpaths including those within the villages with speed of access to open countryside

Important to protect the impact and image as you drive into the village.

Ford and adjacent buildings to be seen in context, maintain conservation area.

Riverside walk is special and should be extended.

Keep area from the north of Easthorpe to the Devon, undeveloped, as a flood plain.

b) Addressing problems -

Could we create a new centre of Bottesford around Market Street and the cross.

Use Hamilton Baillie for 'main road' through village.

Deal with speeding in Normanton and other parts of the Parish.

c) Taking opportunities -

Can we reduce heavy traffic on Normanton Lane/Market St by addressing the location of the Industrial Area.

Use Brownfield sites for development in the first instance

Support Sustrans Bridge proposal.