

# LUDGVAN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - NATURAL ENVIRONMENT GROUP

## NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 24TH NOVEMBER 2015 AT THE OASIS CHILDCARE CENTRE

**PRESENT:** Stephanie Hutchison; Charles Osborne; Richard Sargeant & Jeff Scott

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Steve Hudson (Parish Clerk)

**NE 1 Apologies:**

David Tarr & Lorna Trudgeon

**NE 2 Election of Chair:**

Charles Osborne was elected Chair.

**NE 3 Declarations of interest:**

None.

**NE 4 Dispensations:**

None.

**NE 5 Issues:**

**ISSUES:**

In line with the agreed Methodology the Group discussed the issues that need to be addressed.

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| <b>Issue:</b>     | <b>LANDSCAPE/FOOTPATHS:</b>   |
| <b>Source:</b>    | Open Spaces/Footpaths & Landscape were the third and sixth priority identified by respondents in the initial consultation questionnaire.<br>In addition the countryside and environment were the most mentioned (131) in the things people loved about living in Ludgvan.<br>For the purposes of this exercise a distinction has been made between the open countryside (including footpaths) and open space in and around settlements. |
| <b>Objective:</b> | To protect and where possible enhance the open countryside and footpaths.   |

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| <b>Issue:</b>     | <b>OPEN SPACE WITHIN AND ADJACENT TO EXISTING SETTLEMENTS</b>   |
| <b>Source:</b>    | Open Spaces/Footpaths & Landscape were the third and sixth priority identified by respondents in the initial consultation questionnaire.<br>In addition the countryside and environment were the most mentioned (131) in the things people loved about living in Ludgvan.<br>For the purposes of this exercise a distinction has been made between the open countryside (including footpaths) and open space in and around settlements. |
| <b>Objective:</b> | To identify those green spaces that can and should be protected.  |

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| <b>Issue:</b>     | <b>WILDLIFE:</b>   |
| <b>Source:</b>    | Wildlife was the ninth highest priority identified by respondents in the initial consultation questionnaire. |
| <b>Objective:</b> | To protect wildlife and its habitats and where possible improve them.  |

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| <b>Issue:</b>     | <b>HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT:</b>   |
| <b>Source:</b>    | The Historic Environment was the tenth highest priority identified by respondents in the initial consultation questionnaire. |
| <b>Objective:</b> | To conserve and preserve the historic environment in Ludgvan   |

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| <b>Issue:</b>     | <b>RENEWABLE ENERGY:</b>   |
| <b>Source:</b>    | Renewable energy was the lowest priority identified by respondents in the initial consultation questionnaire. However given the prominence given to it in both national and local planning policies it was felt necessary to further investigate |
| <b>Objective:</b> | To investigate national and local policy in respect of renewable energy.   |

**NE 6 Terms of Reference:**

It was agreed that the issues raised would form the Outline Brief for the Group's Terms of Reference, as appended.

**NE 7 Next Steps:**

The agreed Methodology requires that the objectives above are further 'distilled' by reference to both National and Local Planning policies. These being:

- The NPPF
- The Cornwall Local Plan and any relevant supplementary documents
- Saved polices from the Penwith Local Plan 2004 (PLP)

(a) **It was agreed that the following members of the group would look at:**

**Landscape/Open Spaces (both issues) - Steve Hudson**

**Wildlife & Historic Environment - Stephanie Hutchison**

**Renewable Energy - Jeff Scott**

**Thoughts would be relayed back to the Parish Clerk for circulation prior to the next meeting where more detailed discussions on the way forward could be had.**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** It was agreed to meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7pm at the Oasis Centre, the next meeting therefore being **Tuesday 26th January**.