

MINUTES OF THE QUORN VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT (QVDS) TEAM MEETING
Held at Quorn Village Hall, 7.30pm Thursday 12th July 2007

1. Attendance & Apologies.

Present: *Cllr Terry Stirling - Chairman*
Rick Hoyland - Vice Chairman
Rob Brown - Secretary

Geoffrey Locke
Renia Rushin

Don Wix

Apologies:

Cllr Joan Bloodworth
Hazel Fish
John Hutchinson
Alan Johnson
Sue Newcombe

Kevan Porter
Ian Rushin – Treasurer
Cllr David Slater
Chris Wyatt
Cllr Richard Shepherd

2. Minutes of the last full meeting (14th June 2007).

These were accepted with the following alterations:-

- Last paragraph of section 6 – delete “... queried the relevance of...” and insert “...said that we should be clear why we were including...”*
- Last paragraph of section 6 – change “Gambol” to “Gamble”.*

3. Matters arising - not covered below.

None

4. Correspondence - not covered by other items.

Rob read out an e-mail he had received from Hazel Fish, the Development Officer of the Rural Community Council (Leicestershire and Rutland). In it she had said that she was “...very impressed with the excellent comprehensive nature of this latest version (i.e. 6.2) of your Village Design Statement. Well done.”

She also listed a number of organisations that could be possible sources of funding, one of which she was willing to help us with. The meeting agreed that we should follow up the question of possible funding as it was sure that there would be costs associated with the eventual production and distribution of our final document. Rob was to liaise with Hazel about the specific request for funding. Also he was to ask if a standard format, or even letter, requesting financial support was available. Rob was to report back to the next meeting about these points.

The meeting decided that the specifics of the final production should be left until we had a much better idea of final shape and content of the document.

Rob read out John Hutchinson’s resignation e-mail. The meeting agreed that Rob should write him a suitable reply saying that his resignation was accepted and that while a member of the committee his support was much appreciated.

5. Finance

As there had been no transactions since the last meeting the Quorn VDS Bank Account still stood at:-

Cash	95.99
Bank	<u>489.52</u>
Total	<u>£585.51</u>

6. Village Design Statement (Draft 6.2)

Renia said that she agreed with the version of the document circulated apart from a few numbering alterations to the title page and a slight alteration to the comment about Japanese Knotweed, saying that it was only necessary to “prevent its spread” and not to “ensure its eradication”.

Geoff took the meeting through the document identifying many small improvements that could be made to the presentation. The meeting agreed all these alterations and similar points that other members brought up. It also agreed that throughout the VDS we should use “Barrow upon Soar” as the correct name when referring to our neighbouring village. Rick was to incorporate all these small alterations into the next version of the VDS.

The meeting gave fulsome praise to both Rick and Renia for all the time, trouble and effort that they had put into version 6.2.

7. Next steps for progressing the Draft Quorn VDS.

The meeting agreed that Terry should contact Mark Fennel and get three alternative dates for a face to face meeting about progressing the latest version (after alterations as directed by this meeting) of the VDS with the Charnwood Borough Council officers. Terry was to let Rob know the result so that he could disseminate this to the committee. Terry was to let Kevan know the current state of things with the VDS and agree when and how he was likely to be practically involved.

8. Any Other Business.

None

9. Date & venue of next meeting.

This was provisionally set as Thursday 23rd August 2007 at the Village Hall, depending on the feedback from Charnwood Borough Council and Kevan Porter.

R.J.N.BROWN

Secretary

Distribution to:- All attending or giving apologies at the meeting, those on the revised contact list (if different), all Quorn Parish Councillors (if not covered before), two District Councillors & one County Councillor representing Quorn. The Principal, Rawlins Community College.