

Eardisland Parish Council

Meeting of the Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group
Small Group Meeting on
Thursday 12 March 2015 at 14.00 in Eardisland Village Hall

Notes of meeting

Present: Richard Kirby (Chair), Caroline Marsden, Maryan Hanson, Hugh Vernon and Elaine Smith

In attendance: Alison Sutton, Parish Clerk; Claire Parker from Kirkwells

1. Apologies – Barry Freeman

2. Criteria based policy –

Richard introduced the work that had been done so far. The document agreed at the Small Group Meeting on 9 March was considered point by point. Many of the draft themes can be used in rewritten policies, some will need amending. Some points cannot be put as criteria but can be used as Parish Action points or in justification section for a criterion.

Agreed that justification for development outside the village would be based on appropriate development by existing hamlets or small groups of dwellings.

Agreed need to review whole issue of local views to protect.

Add spatial awareness map using census data to justify off-road parking – highlight that as rural area with few buses, car use is high and therefore adequate parking off-road essential.

New policies for biodiversity and dark skies needed. Discussion about lighting on caravan park – Alison will check conditions of application.

Use particular constraints of flood risk and lack of mains sewage to justify restricting development in flood zone 2.

3. Integrating criteria into Eardisland NDP – how, what, where –

Agreed that Claire will do a fee proposal to redraft the Plan to a criteria based policy, adding justification etc as required.

Once Alison has proposal, she will apply for further grant funding asap.

4. Open forum –

No points made.

5. Date and Venue for next meeting – Steering Group 12 March at 19.30 in the Village Hall.

Alison Sutton – Parish Clerk.

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