

Ledbury Neighbourhood Development Plan

Post-lockdown planning meeting

Friday 21st August 2020

Agenda – discussion items

1. LSCA
 - Current situation (work done to date)
 - Work still to do
 - Information sources (eg. from previous NDP work)
 - Timescale to complete

2. Funding
 - Current budget
 - Grant options now
 - Application plan
 - Timescales

3. Project plan and timescales
 - Review current plan
 - Re-agree likely completion timescales

4. Action/policy areas
 - Current agreed priorities
 - o Settlement boundary
 - o Medical facilities/care homes
 - o Sport facilities
 - o Schools/nursery
 - o Green spaces and active travel/connectivity
 - o Railway station
 - o Design code
 - Other areas
 - o Canal
 - o Conservation area/town centre/retail
 - o Business developments
 - o Hotel
 - o Affordable/social housing

5. Next steps
 - Steering group meeting (physical meeting)
 - Full working party meeting (Zoom?)

Notes from a meeting to discuss the re-start of the Ledbury Neighbourhood Development Planning process after the pause due to Covid 19 (March – August 2020) held on 21 August 2020

Present:

Cllr Phillip Howells,
Cllr Liz Harvey,
Nicola Forde,
Carly Tinkler, Landscape Architect,
Ian Singleton Architect,
Dave Tristram, Herefordshire Council

1. LSCA

CT explained that the LSCA work had been halted as the main parties had been focussing on the Appeal for the viaduct site.

The emerging LCSA shows consensus amongst most parties about what kind of development could happen and where that should be.

The LCSA will identify areas which can take development without impacting on landscape or townscape. The government's current proposals re introducing a system of zoning into the planning system will impact the content of the NDP. The emerging LCSA is already revealing the zoning which would be applicable to Ledbury.

That devising a zoning plan and then using the LSCA to test capacity within zones for the zoned activity would be an efficient approach.

That there is potential to be proactive and work with developers to plan development ensuring that the town gets the kind of development it wants and needs.

The LCSA should be completed by Christmas.

2. Process and Timescale

There was a general discussion key points were:

The review of the Herefordshire Core Strategy is on-going – consultations are out on SHLAA and affordable housing

An effective NDP should be based on a vision for the future of the town, a vision for 2050/60. The first group who worked on the NDP had done some work on visioning and it would be useful to revisit these ideas.

PH to find the paperwork. All to start thinking about Ledbury in 2050

There is still urgency for the revision of the NDP, ideally before the Core Strategy Review is finalised so that it can feed into the strategy.

Rough timescale:

LSCA/zoning/visioning completed by Christmas,

consultation in spring 2021;

Regulation 14 summer 2021.

NF to re-do the project plan.

Green infrastructure should underlie the plan and should include green gaps between Ledbury and Parkway and Ledbury and Wellington Heath.

The route of the reinstated canal should be central to the green infrastructure - so far it has been ignored – it should be looked at as an opportunity and an asset to the town. An

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