

# Parish Network Steering Group

MINUTES BHPN STEERING GROUP

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 Culm Pyne Barton, Hemyock**Attendance:**

Heather Stallard Chair, Hemyock parish rep  
 Catherine Bass Co-ordinator  
 Graham Long Uptottery PC  
 Daniel Lazar Membury PC  
 Ken Pearson Clerk to Stockland PC  
 Bob Nelson Broadhembury PC  
 Mike Canham Otterford PC

**Apologies**

Alison Weekes Clayhidon PC  
 Roger Habgood Cllr Monument, SW&TD  
 Alex Stevens Uptottery PC

1 **Apologies:** Apologies from AW, RH & AS.

2. **Minutes of last meeting and matters arising**

Minutes of meeting Oct 28th 2019 were approved, together with the notes from the meeting with PPGs (now MPs) Rebecca Pow and Neil Parish.

**Matters arising:** to complete from previous minutes

- discussion with Cosmic re SSL certificate for the website
- confirm with Lisa Turner any NPPF revisions required for the planning leaflet

CB asap

- a. **Leaflet revision:** in principle, agreed that in future, advice will be made available on the website, using clickable links/downloads for specific information rather than printing leaflets. This will evolve into a single source of information which will collate the individual existing leaflets and allow updates as required for the various topics as well as enabling the evolution of the BHPN community Rural strategy narrative. First step is to upload individual sections of the leaflets to a dedicated location on the website.

CB

- b. **Community Plan revision:** agreed to redesign/update the original questionnaire/s used in 2010 which resulted in the current workgroups. CB to circulate originals to Steering Group for comment. This will be followed up by circulation to Parish chairs and clerks, possibly by Easter, with Stg Gp recommendations for closer working to develop rural strategy.

CB

3. **Finances**

Balance £910.66. Parish Invoices for 20/21 to go out for payment by June 30 2020.

CB

asap

4. **AONB management group:** BN, GL & HS reported that the speaker from U of Exeter, talking about the historic importance of Dunkeswell Abbey was very informative and interesting. Suitable invitee for a General mtg of BHPN.

The Glover report is agreed to be a useful document which requires little if any legislation to implement. AONB manager Tim Youngs was due to attend an AONB managers' meeting with Paul Diviani - report back will be requested by the BHPN AONB reps.

BN/GL/MC

Discussion on the merits of inviting parish views on the deployment of Park Rangers in the AONB and to draw the AONB aims closer to supporting more employment to help sustain communities- this meets the Glover review perspective on more joint working.

5. **a:** Climate group to meet to develop workable objectives for BHPN in light of existing activities in the area. Suggested date Tues Feb 4 10.30 am at MC's in Otterford. MC to confirm with all. Clearly the county climate strategies will place demands which will be difficult to achieve without knowledge or financial support.

MC + AS,  
BN & DL

**b:** Notes of meeting with PPGs to be sent to the now MPs with a suggestion tht we focus on one item at a time, giving priority to broadband in the first instance. The matter of CDS and their lack of a contract to achieve broadband roll out is a high priority which MPs Pow and Parish should raise with DCMS minister Matt Warman as a matter of urgency.

**6. Next General meeting:** date Thursday Feb 27<sup>th</sup> in Broadhembury Memorial Hall.

Topics for discussion:

- A Rural Plan for the BHPN parishes, reports from the work groups (Housing & Planning; Communications/Broadband; Traffic, Transport & Highways)
- Development of a 'best-practice' self-help network in the parishes using existing templates from eg Otterford, Broadhembury

**CB**

CB to circulate date and advertise meeting.

Speaker? Possibly the Dunkeswell speaker from UoE.

**7. AOB**

1. Ask Lisa Turner if she can summarise and compare the recent AONB management plans from this and neighbouring AONBs
2. Latest Blackborough House development update- new planning date 17.4.2020
3. Carpet-Bagger 'classic car' rally ( 180m at night in Devon & Soms) due to come through the area from A30 to Upottery Jan 18 /19 2020

**CB**

**8. Date of next meeting:**

**Monday 10.30am February 10 2020 at Culm Pyne (HS)**