

**NOTES**  
OF THE MEETING OF THE  
**BLEADON PARISH PLAN STEERING**  
**COMMITTEE**  
**FRIDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2005**

HELD AT THE CORONATION HALL, BLEADON, SOMERSET.

Meeting Commenced: 7.30 p.m.      Meeting Concluded: 8.00 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

Bruce Poole (Chairman of the Steering Group)  
Penny Skelley (Chairman of the Parish Council)  
Mary Sheppard (Parish Councillor)

Joanna Pyke

Andy Hickson (Vice chairman Environmental action group)

**APOLOGIES:**

Keith Pyke (Parish Council)  
Malcolm Herival (Chairman of Health and safety action group)  
Kim Herival (Vice Chairman of Health and safety action group)

Those present noted that the meeting was inquorate and informal notes would be taken of the meeting.

It was that from the Parish Plans delivered there had been 273 responses. There had been 467 address identified but all those addresses were not necessarily occupied. This equated to a 58% response. Other completed plans that had been received would be included within the evaluation.

It was agreed that Joanna Pyke/Bruce Poole would draft a letter of thanks to all the volunteers who took part and delivered the plans. (Andy to let Jou have a list of the volunteers who took part).

Bruce Poole reported that Vision ICT had concerns regarding the length of time each plan was taking to input. Each questionnaire was taking approx 40 minutes – 1 hour at a cost of £8-10 per hour total £2,740. An application had been made to the Community Council for a grant although this was doubtful on the basis that the village plan process was well in advance of the start date for such grants.

Between now and January meeting the important work was to get the analysis to the four committees for them to look at and consider and present at the Steering Committee in January on main bullet points from the analysis.

The timetable of events was discussed and the following were agreed:

Next meeting 27th January 2006 for Action Groups to present main bullet points from the analysis.

Mid February - Steering Group present draft plan to Parish Council and make available on web site for further comments from residents.

March – Parish Council adopt Parish Plan

Parish Council Annual Meeting – Launch Parish Plan

Other issues discussed concerned that lack of attendance by any volunteers from the village at the recent “Parish Plant Up”. There were eight people who turned up (the usual volunteers) Joanna Pyke stated that she was very angry that so many of the groups indicate that they want to have a good environment etc in which to live and at the Village meeting the indication was that everyone appreciated what a pleasant village it was to live in and the need to keep it rural etc. Yet no-one is prepared to commit a couple of hours to help. As a result of the plant up and so little help the whole lot had fallen to a few and one of the helpers had now injured his back.

It was further agreed by the meeting to send a copy of the notes to the Chairmen/Vice Chairmen of the Action Groups as soon as they were available.