Notes from Neighbourhood plan meeting

11th May 2017, 7pm, Radford Community Hall

PRESENT: Olly Aries, Brian Follet, Barbara Wyatt, Ed Coombs, Judy Steele,
Bob Grainger – Wolston Neighbourhood Plan Group

NB: The main meeting was replaced by a presentation from Kirkwells Planning Consultants.

Presentation by Michael Wellock of Kirkwell Planning Consultants

1) Key Points Of Neighbourhood Plan

Decentralisation of Power

Right to Plan

Has Statutory Weight

Community Led

Shaping but not stopping development

Flexible

Financial beneficial – PC receives greater CIL payments

2) Things to consider

Think about what we want to put into document – Leave out unnecessary policies/requirements. Make it simple.

Fact Checking of Examination Reports is a must. Don't leave it to Examiner and Local Authority.

Don't forget whole designated area not just village in plans. Visit everybody.

Have Designated green spaces.

Need to keep good records of any events or consultations. These need only be outline data such as time, what, when, numbers etc.

Make application to Locality for Grant asap. Present grants run out in December. Make approximately 4 applications.

3) What Kirkwells Can Offer

Professional Planners - RTPI

Policy Experts

Experienced in producing NP - Many in Warwickshire area

Help with NP Issues

Help with Community Led Engagements

Kirkwells engage with Client rather than Consult

Flexible approach

Willing to attend meetings if needed

4) Likely Costs

Could be £10k for full involvement but likely £8k-£9k depending on menu choices and complexity of plan.

Costs would be staged over 18 – 24 Months - Example:

Stage 1 - £1.9k (Initial AdminGrants, Community Consultation,

Preparing Policies etc)

Stage 2 - £5.3k (Community Engagement & Preparing Draft Report for

Examination)

Stage 3 - £2.4k (Edits and Changes)

Stage 4 - £0.6k (Final submission)

The Group thanked Michael for his presentation which was very helpful and informative. OHA agreed to respond to Kirkwells following the next PC meeting.

The meeting was closed.