

NOTES ON PUBLIC MEETING HELD 23 FEBRUARY 2015

Public Meeting held in Bredfield Village Hall to update the village on the progress of the proposed Neighbourhood Development Plan

Convening the meeting were: Nick Young, Anne Henderson, David Hepper

Members of the public present – 24

Nick Young opened the meeting at 7.30pm by outlining the programme for the evening

David Hepper gave details of the proposed plan, and explained that since the last public meeting, held in the summer of 2014, meetings had been held with the planning department at SCDC, and as a result of these, Debach and Boulge no longer wished to take part. Bredfield Parish Council had chosen to continue alone: when this proposal was put to the meeting, there was no opposition and it was agreed that Bredfield should continue independently.

Ann Henderson then explained that a leaflet had accompanied the recent issue of The Lantern requesting responses to suggested topics of concern to the village and that she wished to expand and clarify the results already received.

The meeting then divided into three groups, to discuss and add to the leaflet, and also to stimulate a more general debate on the way ahead for the village.

Ann Henderson informed the meeting that a meeting was planned to be held in the near future; all were welcome.

Nick Young then closed the meeting at 8.30pm by thanking all those who had attended.

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A total of 22 feedback forms were received; this may be compared to the 2006 Parish Plan, when 29 similar forms were returned. People were asked to rate twelve different subject headings.

The forms were difficult to analyse, as not all respondents scored every heading, others linked headings under one score. Some of the results were spread across the spectrum. For example the rating for 'Amenities' was widely spread, with one respondent placing it first, another in tenth place, but some trends were obvious:

Housing / Planning / Land Use were the most common to be placed in the top three.

Roads / Natural Environment / Amenities were mostly ranked in the top half

Historic Environment / Local Industry / Transport – mid-ranked (4 – 8 typically)

The majority placed Education / Home working / Entertainment towards the bottom of the survey

Several added comments. These were often specific: "A.12 access / junction" – "Sports area / play area" – "Keep the pub" – "Quaker burial ground"