

**COUNCIL 18 September 2019**

**1. Neighbourhood Plan**

- 1.1 The minutes of the meeting of the Steering Group have been circulated together with the positive nature of the responses from local residents which provides the Council with a strong base to develop the key areas of a draft plan for the Parish.
- 1.2 Members are invited to proceed with the requests to submit a grant application to cover costs of consultants, surveys and evidence collection; Digital Mapping

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council:

- i) approved the minutes and requests from the Neighbourhood Steering Group;
- ii) agree that an application for maximum funding be submitted to support the development and drafting of the Plan;
- iii) agree that Digital Mapping software and training be acquired to support the process.

**2. Outside Bodies Review and Reports**

- 2.1 Members requested that appointments to outside bodies be reviewed.
- 2.2 At the Annual Meeting the usual appointment of the Chairman of the Council to the Northumberland Association of Local Councils was confirmed as the Council is a contributing member of the Association.
- 2.3 The Chairman has also always been nomination to Friends of Woodhorn Church Working Group. Although formal meetings are infrequent it provides a link with the volunteers working to maintain public access to this important ancient building.
- 2.4 Members are requested to confirm continuing arrangements.

**3. Local Transport Plan**

- 3.1 The County Highways Programme Officer is seeking the three identified priority schemes for consideration in the Local Transport Plan for 2020/21 and the criteria and list of requests has been circulated separately.
- 3.2 Feedback on last years' submission is set out below:

**Local Transport Plan 2019/20 Priority Submissions Feedback****Improvement Schemes**

Your Priority	Included in LTP	Comments
Pedestrian crossing safety measures from Long Park to the Health Centre	Yes	A scheme to provide parking restrictions and a pedestrian refuge is included in the programme.
Increased safe crossing on Front Street; from Whitehouse Corner to the Old Ship	No	There is a crossing nearby at Bridge Street. A second crossing could not be located in close proximity. A crossing in the area suggested would also result in removal of parking spaces and perhaps a bus stop.

**Maintenance Schemes**

Your Priority	Included in LTP	Comments
Highways improvements at the Colliery Estate	No	

3.3 Members are invited to consider required local transport improvement schemes and agree three priority schemes for submission to the County Council.