Notes from the Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group held on Wednesday 16 November 2016 at the Village Hall, Grimsargh

Present:- Cllr Terry Cryer; Cllr Mrs Lynda Cryer; Cllr David Hindle; Cllr Keith Middlebrough; Cllr Mrs Lindsay Philipson; Cllr Mrs Eileen Murray; Damian Perkins and Sue Whittam.

Lindsay welcomed everyone to the meeting and briefed everyone on possible health and safety considerations for tonight's meeting. Apologies were received from City Councillor Neil Cartwright and David Willis.

Update on progress so far/Neighbourhood Forum Revised Date

There was a quick update on progress made so far and it was noted that the village hall had been double booked for 30 November 2016. As there was no alternative venue available for that date that would provide all the facilities needed, it was agreed that the date of the Neighbourhood Forum should be changed to Wednesday 18 January 2017. It was noted that in changing the date there would be no need for a separate flyer to promote the Neighbourhood Forum and the details could now be incorporated into the December newsletter. Therefore, the front page of the newsletter would now be devoted to the Neighbourhood Plan and the Neighbourhood Forum event on 18 January 2017. The event would run for the same time ie between 5.30pm and 8.30pm and there would be themed tables to promote discussion/involvement. David Hindle explained that it was unlikely that he could attend the January event due to a pre-planned operation and it was suggested that Penny Pattinson who also lived in the village and had excellent knowledge on heritage/genealogy may be able to help run the Ecology & Heritage theme in the absence of David. Eileen agreed to contact Penny to see if she could help. Keith suggested that Andy Small may be able to help with the ecology side of the theme and he agreed to contact Andy. David said if he could attend he would. It was noted that we still needed a "lead" person for the transport and cycling theme but there was still time to think about finding a suitable person.

Eileen had produced prompt sheets for use at the Neighbourhood Forum and it was agreed that these would be emailed to the group for comments/additions. The idea was that laminated copies of the prompt sheets would be placed on the themed tables to help people formulate ideas to be included in the Neighbourhood Plan.

There was general discussion about engaging the different groups within the village. Lindsay said that she would be going with Eileen to the Guides on Monday 28 November at 7.20pm. Keith said that he would also try and go along. Contact would also need to be made with the other groups and events would need to be organised for older children/teenagers in the village.

Eileen had also produced the names for name badges to be used at the Neighbourhood Forum event and asked people to double check the spelling of their names. It was also felt that using Our Village Our Future rather than Your Village Your Future would be more suitable for the strap line for the Neighbourhood Plan. Likewise for the children's stickers My Village My Future would be more appropriate.

There were no recommendations needed for the December Parish Council meeting.

Date of next meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group would be held on Wednesday 11 January 2017 at 7.00pm in the village hall. This would be primarily to finalise the arrangements for the Neighbourhood Forum event on 18 January 2017.