

Longden Neighbourhood Plan

Meeting note 16/08/23

Attending: Emma Pierce-Jenkins, Mathew Mead, Eddie West, Rosie Corner

Steering group

- Challenge of getting representation from the villages making up the Longden group.
- Grant application forms- unanswerable questions at this stage.
- Steering Group need to articulate what outcome it wants from the Neighbourhood Plan and work backwards. Plans can be one policy long- they should be short, specific and helpful to the community.

Housing

- Housing requirement for Longden is around 2 houses per year between 2024-2038 (if the Local Plan comes into use next year).
- This could include windfall sites, reuse of brownfield, infill or exception sites.
- Including site allocations in the Neighbourhood would incur more work and time. There would be a requirement to consult publicly on the option for allocating land to deliver the guideline housing requirement figure in the Local Plan. Allocations might include a requirement for infrastructure improvements to be funded by the developer.
- Conover commissioned AECOM to support on site assessment using Shropshire Council's Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA). The SHLAA gives details (such as ecology or highways considerations) on why sites have been included in the Local Plan.

CIL

- Parish does not have any CIL income at present due to lack of development. A Neighbourhood Plan would increase the Neighbourhood Fund share of CIL from 15% to 25%.

Actions

- EW to send through most recent housing need figures before next steering group meeting on 04/09/23. This will provide a starting point for collection data locally.