

## **Community Conference May 2012 – Summary**

Conference held to bring all the Community Group Leaders together and the Neighbourhood Plan to provide a display to village residents and have the opportunity to talk to them. The purpose was to:

Build relationships with the group leaders

Communicate with residents

Provide information on what happens in the village and what are the future plans

Give residents the opportunity to provide feedback to the council and NP team.

### **Attendance**

228 people through the door (5 didn't sign in – walked straight past registration)

26 names duplicated on both days

207 people in total in attendance

All Group Leaders have been thanked for attendance (Val)

### **Newspaper Article**

Wetherby News (recent changes to tabloid have led to delays) have indicated they will be including the article this week

### **Community Groups**

Twenty Community Groups / Leaders put on a display + Neighbourhood Plan. One unable to attend (Football Club)

General Feedback – The big plus for me was the amount of communication between the various organisations which can only be good news for the village

### **Top Three Important Things**

Key message is that everything in the village is important to different groups within the village.

Most popular selection was The Village Shop, closely followed by The Parish Magazine, Bramham In Bloom, The Village Hall and The Pubs.

Good feedback that everything in the village deserves ongoing support from The Parish Council if and when any funds are received into the village

### **Neighbourhood Plan**

General Comments / Feedback

Preserving the feeling of space in the village

Making Village Square more attractive and utilize the space for village functions, markets etc

Ian Watsons Comments

Need a decent village shop

Improved Road quality

Surgery is excellent

Better use could be made of The Square – partial pedestrianisation and a real focus for the village and area for events such as memorial service. Also social area outside Red Lion

There is no point trying to fight every proposal for development, better to work in partnership with developers to ensure our community gets housing and facilities it wants and needs

Partial pedestrianisation of village square

Speed Calming measures throughout village, especially High Street and Windmill Road

Restrict development on green spaces within village boundaries

Closer attention to planning rules within conservation area ie use of unsympathetic building materials and inappropriate design

Important to get mix of housing, particularly affordable for younger people and older people whos current home is too big but want to stay in the village

Village Hall is central to village life and should be maintained / improved

Preservation of existing green space and woodland within built areas

Quality Development of brown field sites (materials to match and good design)

Effective (as far as possible) constraints on amends / alterations of new builds created

Balance housing requirements with LCC commitment for new school capacity, particularly primary

20mph speed limit

Put back the map of Bramham that was in the village hall kitchen for 40 years. Who has it in their house?

Very Clear Display and information

Excellent conference and great to see everyone together