

Neighbourhood Plan Brief P&F Meeting 9 June

The various public interactions planned for the Neighbourhood Plan were postponed as a result of the virus restrictions.

This will result in the need to return £915 of the Localism Grant monies allocated to those activities which had to be spent by the end of the last financial year.

Recent Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group business has been conducted via Email.

The Neighbourhood Plan has been amended as a result of the public comments received during the recent consultation.

The revised document is now being checked by the Steering Group prior to its submission to the Town Council.

Other key documents that have been produced and are now being updated after a Steering Group review include:

An Equalities Statement, which shows how the Neighbourhood plan will affect identified groups of people to meet the requirements of the Equality Act 2010 which “places a duty on all public authorities in the exercise of their functions to have regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, to advance equality of opportunity, and to foster good relations between persons with a “protected characteristic” and those without”.

This is done by the production of an Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) which is the systematic analysis of a policy or policies, primarily to identify the potential for an adverse impact on a particular group or community, in particular those with a protected characteristic. It is a method of assessing and recording the likely differential and/or adverse impact of a policy on people from different groups, so that if a policy results in unfairness or discrimination then changes to eliminate or lessen the impact can be considered.

Another significant document is

A Basic Conditions Statement which has been produced to explain how the proposed Saltash Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) has been prepared in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 and how the basic conditions of neighbourhood planning and other considerations as prescribed by Paragraph 8 of Schedule 4B to the Parish and County Planning Act 1990 have been met.

There are a lot of other documents which can be seen on the Neighbourhood Plan Website.