



Full Council Meeting – 24 September 2015

Agenda Item CC1521/15

Croxley Green Community Plan

Introduction

The Croxley Green Community Plan is a joint initiative between the Croxley Green Residents' Association (CGRA) and the Croxley Green Parish Council (CGPC).

Since the publication of the questionnaire survey results in June 2013 the further development of the Community Plan has been in abeyance for a number of reasons.

This paper sets out proposals to complete and publish the Community Plan as a strategic plan for the whole community to underpin and complement the Neighbourhood Plan.

Current position

Many people have already contributed to the Community Plan, led by Cllr Wendy Jordan (for the CGPC) and Barry Grant (for the CGRA).

A survey was developed in 2012 and carried out and analysed by a team of volunteers in 2013. The survey results were printed and published in June 2013.

The original aim was to publish the Community Plan setting out the context and proposing an action plan later in 2013. Extensive work was undertaken drafting the Plan and action lists under seven headings:

- Environment & Green Spaces
- Built environment – planning, housing & sustainability
- Transport & Road Safety
- Health
- Leisure, recreation & local facilities
- Business and Commerce
- Safe Society

This was overtaken by the preparation of a Neighbourhood Development Plan for Croxley Green, led by the CGPC. The Community Plan should underpin and complement the Neighbourhood Plan and it must not contradict or conflict with it.

Cllr Andrew Gallagher has volunteered to lead for the CGPC on the Community Plan and act as an overall editor for the Plan.

Chris Mitchell, Barry Grant, June Emson and Andrew Gallagher met on 8 September to review the current position and agree the way forward on behalf of the CGPC and the CGRA.

Former councillor Wendy Jordan was unable to attend that meeting but will be closely involved with the completion of the Community Plan.

Proposals to complete the Community Plan

The intention is to develop two linked documents:

1. A fairly detailed reference document:
 - a. Providing the context and background with a comparative analysis of the survey results,
 - b. Providing the detail to support the Community Plan,
 - c. Published in an electronic format available through the internet and suitable for printing “on demand” (at cost) from the Parish Offices.
2. The published “action plan”:
 - a. Proposing future actions with outline supporting context,
 - b. Not containing detailed analysis or background – referring to the supporting document,
 - c. Published electronically in a format suitable for printing,
 - d. A limited number of paper copies printed for circulation and distribution,
 - e. Available through the internet and on loan from the Library and the Parish Council offices, printed “on demand” (at cost) from the Parish Offices.

Proposed timetable

- Complete a draft plan for consultation by the end of 2015;
- Receive comments in early 2016;
- Review comments, revise plan and publish for presentation at the Annual Parish Meeting in April 2016;
- Community Plan to be adopted by the CGPC as setting out a strategic plan and vision for Croxley Green;
- To be reviewed in late 2018 or early 2019 (before the next round of parish council elections);
- To be revised or amended in 2019 (after the next round of parish council elections).

Volunteers required

Councillors (or other individuals) with an interest in and knowledge of the topics to act as either writers or reviewers (see appended table)

Recommendation

1. That Members approve the proposals to complete the Community Plan and the proposed timetable;
2. That Members volunteer to act as writers or reviewers for the various sections and to suggest names of other local residents who might be co-opted to assist.

Proposed: Cllr Andrew Gallagher
Seconded: Cllr Chris Mitchell
9 September 2015

Proposed outline structure:

Topic	Writer	Reviewer
Administrative and legal context	Mr Clerk (David Allison)	Cllr Andrew Gallagher
Natural environment & Green spaces	?	?
Built environment (planning, housing, etc.)	Cllr Chris Mitchell	?
Transport & road safety	Cllr Andrew Gallagher	Cllr Chris Mitchell
Health and well being	Margaret Gallagher	?
Leisure, recreation and local facilities	?	?
Business, commerce and employment	?	?
Young people and education	?	?
Safe society	?	?