

**Notes of the Area Forum North Meeting held at  
Dordon Village Hall  
on Tuesday, 27 September 2016**

**Present:**

Councillor Hanratty in the Chair, Councillors Humphreys, Morson, Smitten, E Stanley, M Stanley and County Councillor Parsons.

**In Attendance:**

Approximately 200 residents and interested parties from the surrounding area were in attendance.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor A Wright.

- 1     **Matters Arising from the Notes of the Meeting held on 2 June 2016**  
There were no matters arising from the notes of the meeting held on 2 June 2016.
  
- 2     **Safer Neighbourhoods**  
As part of the Safer Neighbourhoods update the following three priorities were agreed:
  - Speeding throughout the villages, particularly Grendon Road, Polesworth;
  - Anti-Social Behaviour at Abbey Green Park, Polesworth; and
  - Anti-Social Behaviour at Derek Avenue, Dordon.
  
- 3     **Presentation on Cyber Crime Prevention – Protecting Individuals and Families**  
Due to the numbers present wishing to speak on Agenda Item 6 (Local Plan) it was agreed that this item would be deferred to a future meeting.
  
- 4     **Warwickshire County Council Funding Opportunities**  
Lori Harvey introduced herself to the Forum as the new Localities and Communities Officer for North Warwickshire. Lori went on to advise the Forum of the availability of a number of grants available primarily to community and voluntary groups within the area. For further information Lori can be contacted directly via her email address – [loriharvey@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:loriharvey@warwickshire.gov.uk).
  
- 5     **Update on the new Local Plan for the Borough**  
Dorothy Barratt, Forward Planning and Economic Strategy Manager at North Warwickshire Borough Council provided a presentation on the new Local Plan for the Borough and explained the proposals for settlements within the Area Forum North boundaries (a copy of the presentation is appended to these notes).

Following Dorothy's presentation numerous questions were asked which were addressed by Dorothy and Steve Maxey (Assistant Chief Executive and Solicitor to the Council). The following issues surrounding the impact of additional housing on the area were raised:

- Flooding, roads and traffic;
- Possible increased crime rate;
- Protection of wildlife;
- Appropriate infrastructure;
- Timeline;
- Percentage of social housing;
- Process involved to challenge the Local Plan; and
- Adequate education and health appropriate to the increased population.

Formal consultation on the new plan would commence on 10 November 2016 and any detailed comments on the plan should be forwarded to the Planning Policy Team at the Borough Council before the deadline of 31 March 2017.

**6 Future Meeting Dates**

Tuesday, 17 November 2016 – Venue to be confirmed.