



Walkeringham Neighbourhood Plan

Neighbourhood Plan Review - Steering Group Meeting

MINUTES of Meeting dated 16 June 2026

7.30pm - Walkeringham Village Hall

Present: Cllrs: M Dilly, A Vessey, I Heath and P Hooton
Non-Cllrs: J Steel (Chair), C Howard, C Isle and A Hayward (Secretary)

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NP85/26 Chair's Welcome and Opening Comments

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

NP86/26 Apologies Received

Apologies were received from the following members:

S Beard (work commitment)
P Watson (work commitment)
P Roberts (family commitment)
W Wilson (other commitment)
A Karkerkar (other commitment)

It was agreed to accept the apologies and reasons given.

J Clayton was absent from the meeting

It was noted that apologies should be submitted to the Secretary if members were unable to attend.

NP87/26 Declarations of Interest

Cllr. P Hooton – Policy Number 9 (pecuniary interest)

NP88/26 To approve minutes of the last meeting

The draft minutes of the meeting held on 29 April 2026 were approved as a true record.

NP89/26 Development of Ideas

Proposed New Community Projects (App. A) – Brick Bus Shelters

Further ideas were discussed and developed in relation to possible alternative uses of the brick bus shelters. These included:

- Creation of a book library (possibly in the bus shelter near the primary school).
- Information Boards depicting Walkeringham's heritage/history and people of note such as Catherine Wright (mother of William Blake)
As an aside, it was queried whether there was scope to apply for a blue plaque for Catherine Wright. Cllr. Hooton would contact someone who might have further information about this.

Chris Howard agreed to write a draft of the ideas for inclusion in the Neighbourhood Plan.

Proposed New Community Projects (App. A) – Church

The KYP event feedback suggested residents were keen to see improvements at the church including bringing the bells and clock back into working order. It was commented that this might be possible by using modern technology if traditional means were no longer a possibility.

The SG were made aware of an upcoming public meeting with Rev. Liz Mack which was thought might prove useful in terms of understanding the Diocese's future plans.

Common Abbreviations: **BDC** – Bassetlaw District Council, **NP** – Neighbourhood Plan, **SG** – Steering Group, **NPPF** – National Planning Policy Framework, **LP** – Bassetlaw DC Local Plan



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Biodiversity (Policy 2)

There was a general discussion about how this section could be update, including promoting biodiversity education and involving the primary school and proposals by the village hall committee to introduce wildlife areas on the playing field for example having 'no cut' areas. Further discussion required about how to develop this policy.

Other Policies

It was agreed that the following new policies should be considered:

- Marina Development, Brickyard Lane
- Housing in Misterton/Newalls Lane in the Parish of Walkeringham

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Update of Existing Community Projects (Appendix A of the NP)

Project 1: Improving Access to North Notts Wildlife Trust Nature Research – It was agreed that this should remain in the NP.

Project 2: Improve Maintenance of the Nature Reserve

It was agreed that this should be remain in the NP. The Parish Council would contact NNWT to invite the Ranger to an upcoming PC meeting to obtain an update on initiatives/projects for the Reserve and also to explore ways in which the Parish Council can help.

Project 3 – Creation of a Community Garden next to the old Methodist Church

This section requires updating - Cllr Hooton to provide a brief update together with photos of the community garden.

Project 4 – Relocation of the Village Hall and Playing Field

It was agreed that this project should be removed from the NP.

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Landowner Site Allocation Form

The Clerk had distributed the revised form prior to the meeting. It was agreed to replace the word 'conclude' with 'recommend' in the last paragraph, such that it reads:

'If this form is not returned, the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group may recommend that your site should be removed and replaced in the revised Neighbourhood Plan'.

Some of the landowners' and/or Developers' contact details needed to be verified. The Secretary will make further enquiries and will send the forms out as soon as possible.

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Know Your Place Events Trent Valley (KYPETV)

It was reported that BDC was planning to hold a series of KYP events around the Trent Valley. This would be like the event held in Walkeringham last year.

The SG agreed that, rather than holding another event in the KYP format, to hold an event that was more tailored to the Walkeringham parish.

A discussion took place about the possible format of the event and what the SG would want to get out of it. Ideas included a presentation explaining the need for a NP review and progress to date.

It was suggested that a short public questionnaire possibly along the line of what was done during the production of the NP would be useful to build on the feedback from the KYP event.

The Secretary to forward details of previous questionnaires for reference.



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Arrangements for the public event to be discussed further at the next meeting.

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Correspondence Received

There had been a query from the Landowner in relation to the accuracy of the size of the plot stated in NP Policy 11, land North of Fountain Hill. The Landowner also made comments about the outline planning application for Policy 10 which had just been submitted. The Secretary had forwarded the query about the land size to BDC for verification. The Parish Council would be considering the outline planning application at the next PC meeting.

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Date of Next Meeting

A provisional meeting date of 14 July 2026 was agreed.

Meeting Closed at 8.30pm

Chair