NOTES ON A MEETING OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STEERING GROUP HELD ON TUESDAY 18 OCTOBER 2016 AT 11AM

PRESENT: Dr Richard Priestley (Chair), Councillors Cadwallader and Hughes, Nicola Fisher (SC) Bill Bloxsome (Data Orchard), Jane Evans (Clerk at Moreton Say and Adderley) Peter Eardley ( Norton in Hales ), Hamish Armytage (Messenger) and the Town Clerk.

RP explained that the Town Council had now agreed for the NP draft plan to go to Regulation 14.

RP also said that he felt the NP document was now ‘owned’ by the Town Council and it was only right that a Town Councillor became joint Chair.

It was agreed at a Full Council meeting on 29 September that Councillor Roger Hughes became Joint Chair with Richard Priestley.

RP explained that before Peter Wilson went on holiday he circulated the draft NP to the statutory bodies and also a great many organisations he and the Clerk thought appropriate.

He asked that this list is circulated to the Steering Group members.

The consultation will end on the 21 November 2016.

RP also asked that Owen Paterson MP be sent a copy of the plan.

RP asked BB what the next stage will be?

BB said to consider the responses from the draft plan would be next. The responses will need to be looked at and collated and a decision made as to if the plan needs to be changed because of them.

BB said he would expect to need 2 – 3 weeks to collate and come back to the group with a report and then to Town Council to approve.

Then Shropshire Council will carry out Regulation 16.

Once an examiner is appointed we will know more about a timescale.

Data Orchard to summarise the responses.

RP thought it would be best if the Steering Group see the response sheets for themselves.

BB said this was fine but the name and addresses should be blanked out for data protection purposes.

RP suggested the next meeting to be on Wednesday 7 December.

In the meantime PW will prepare the Consultation Statement in time for the meeting in December.

Data Orchard will prepare the Condition Statement.

RH and NF left the meeting

BB continued to go through the timeline for 2017. He said after the Regulation 16, 6 week consultation the examiner is appointed. The Town Council appoints the examiner.

The examiner may require more information of supporting evidence.

The Steering Group’s work at this stage is to promote the referendum. The final responsibility lies with the Town Council.

The requirement is 50% plus 1 vote of support in the referendum to get the NP through.

JC asked if the Parishes were on board with the Plan.

RP asked the representatives present what they thought.

PE said he felt communication could have been better.

JE said she would ask her members.

RP said if any of the parishes wanted a meeting this could be arranged.

Parish meetings were due to be held specifically on the draft NP.

The meeting concluded at 11.45am