

South Lenches Neighbourhood Plan

South Lenches Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group. Minutes for meeting held on Monday 23rd October 2017, Church Lench Village Hall at 7pm.

Meeting No: 5/16

Present: Committee: Ian Jackson (Chairman), Denise Oates (Vice-chair),	
, Emma Buckingham, Liz Ferguson, Mel Shore (PC), Jen Fletcher (PC) and	
Nicky Holland	
1. Apologies: Julia Tyrell, Jan Harrison, Joan Hunt, Chrissie Brown and	
David Proops plus Richard Ball (resident).	
2. Minutes of meeting held on 12th June 2017 were agreed as a true	
record and signed by the Chairman.	
3. Update on the Character Assessment:	
Chairman thanked all for attending and reported the following:	
• 90% of walking through the Villages has been completed along with	
Rights of Way.	
Sheriffs Lench work in progress- Mike Simpson has arranged a working	
party.	
• Part of the Character Assessment has been completed, summary of	
where we are to date circulated to all members.	
Chairman has met with Neil Pearce, Planning Consultant, to discuss	
identifying businesses in the Parish. Statement to be provided stating	
that rural businesses in the Parish are recognised and have been	
consulted through the survey process.	
Discussion document to be converted into ideas for Village	
Consultation. Suggested that these events take place as a walk in	
session during January/February on a Friday evening and a Saturday	
morning offering refreshments for both events.	
Working towards Plan being completed in early Spring.	
Suggestions:	
a) Look at how other Parishes have carried out the consultation process.	
b) How to communicate events? Leaflet drop, website.	
4. Feedback on Conservation Area background: Denise reported that	
despite talking to Officers at Wychavon District Council it has been	1

difficult to obtain details. Areas of Church Lench were designated in 1975 and Atch Lench in 1996. Appraisals and updates are supposed to be	
carried out but due to lack of resources the District Council are way	
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behind in this process.	
5. Affordable Homes: Report on the Housing Needs Assessment	
received from Wychavon District Council circulated to members.	
Chairman reported that there is a vibrant youthful community in the area	
along with an ageing population.	
It was agreed not to place a statement in the Neighbourhood Plan in	
regard to extending the development boundary along Low Road.	
Chairman to be emailed latest SIAMS report which has given the School	Action: Emma
an outstanding report and details the number of pupils that attend the	7.01.011. Chillia.
School.	
It was asked if landowners as stakeholders should be invited to the	
Parish consultation	confirm with
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5. Discsssion on First Draft Plan recommendations based on survey	
results:	
Group discussed the document which is attached showing alterations	
made.	
Items 7.8.9 - deferred due to time.	

Meeting closed at 21.30.