

Neighbourhood Plan Progress Report – PC Meeting 09 May 2017

Work in progress during the course of the past four weeks

1. We have completed work on the collection of heritage information
2. This has been input to our GIS and produced in the form of maps showing the location of listed and important unlisted buildings and the huge amount of archaeology that has been excavated or found within the Parish.
3. We have linked the information to our network of paths and tracks and, based on feedback from last year's questionnaire survey, and with help from Liz Moynihan we have identified some aspirational paths that we would like to negotiate with landowners (eg the path from Holme village to Drove and from the Peddars Way / Main Road junction to the Peddars Way that forms part of the National Trail to the west). This might form the basis for a heritage and nature trail through the Parish.
4. We have produced some initial maps showing existing and possible future land use zones in the Parish. As part of this work we are exploring the possibility of areas of biodiversity that could be protected for the future. This is a precaution to protect the amenity we derive from the protected sites along the coast which may be lost to intertidal zone in the future.
5. We have also started to draft policies covering heritage, housing and employment. This includes some work carried out by our town planning consultant on possible future policy for Drove.
6. We have carried out a number of simple water quality tests on The Hun. These have provided good results for phosphates but poor results for nitrate pollution. Further laboratory work will be taken forward / funded by the Norfolk Rivers Trust.
7. Finally, we have been working with the NWT to map the habitat / ponds in the village that support local amphibians – notably Great Crested Newts.

We are incredibly fortunate to have such rare species in the Parish, if you have information about local habitats where they are present please contact Gary Hibberd at NWT or via email (information supplied in a recent VIN notice).