Parish update 13th November 2014

The Neighbourhood plan team have meet a number of times since the last parish meeting.

To recap: We have all the results in and turned into an electronic format. These have then been developed into a number of graphs for viewing.

We are going to have an update day that we will be running in the 10th January 2015. Only the one session in Withington, 10-4 in Withington Village hall.

These displays will show the graphs of the results, they are going to have some commentary under each one and we are also looking at having a number of policy items around development of the buildings within the plan. These will also added to the web site at the start of next year to help highlight the meeting and also share the data electronically.

The team have also reviewed the feedback and the feedback that came out clearly was the following

Keep Withington as a Village not a suburb of Hereford

Need a Pub

No wind farms

Business

 Business needs to expand 10 years

 Improve transport links, improve traffic control and broadband

 Agriculture and tourism should be encouraged

 From Questions

 80% of votes for developments no more than 10 with 6-10 and 3-5 equal
 New homes not flats, new homes should be for sale on the open market

 Family homes, no more affordable housing association

 New homes with live and work potential should be built

Better mobile reception

We have looked at these and a number of them are going to be further investigated' Items like Broadband while not a requirement to be addressed by the Neighbourhood Plan, it is a restriction on the growth of the area for the business and worth following up which we are doing.

We also had an approach from a developer which we reviewed at the Neighbourhood meeting. Paul gave some very valuable inputs. We discussed further only this week at our last Neighbourhood meeting. We have this also on the agenda later on as it has some interesting options that we should investigate to improve the overall area and also meet a number of the items within the feedback we have had.