



Dereham Town Plan Working Group

a joint working group of
Dereham Town Council and the aboutDereham Partnership



Notes of meeting held 26 January 2022

Present: Cllr Stuart Green, Chair; Mike Webb, Chairman of aboutDereham, Carolyn Coleman, Cllr Phillip Duigan

1	Apologies / absence Peter Wade Martins, Rev Paul Cubitt	
2	Dereham's Town Delivery Plan (DTDP) (Final draft) Mike had requested an update from Breckland but received no response. It has been said previously that we must wait for the five towns' plans to be completed. This delay means the advantage that was sold to us by We Made That, of being the first town, is entirely lost and has become a disadvantage.	Mike
3	NCC Rural Economy Strategy There is no further update about the NCC Rural Economy Strategy - (see https://bit.ly/32yIHQE) The strategy supports the formation of Market Towns Working Groups "to explore the key challenges and opportunities for our Market Towns, and what we can do collectively". (p.17) This strategy will go to NCC Cabinet and it is expected they will take into account the plans developed by We Made That.	Cllr Duigan
4	Short term projects - updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Queen's Jubilee - aboutDereham had organised a meeting to discuss this in December. While people are enthusiastic about the idea of Jubilee celebrations, no group has yet firmed up their plans. The meeting recommended that aboutDereham aim to co-ordinate events so as to avoid conflicts and clashes. Mike to organise next meeting of the Jubilee planning group in February. aD has produced a summary of grants available to support events and awaits information from Dereham Town Council and Breckland Council if they will grant fund local events. Stuart to raise this. Norfolk Lieutenancy will announce their plans for Norfolk on 5 February: this will include their aim to have 70 beacons. Dereham Town Council to consider if they wish to do this on Fleece Meadow. Community Toilet Scheme - has been approved. DTC will meet to determine its priorities on 16 February. Event Manager - This was a recommendation in the draft town delivery plan and is supported by aD. Stuart will contact the Mayor of Wymondham to find out about their plans for a new role. The group felt that a part-time role could be sufficient, but there is definitely a job to do in co-ordinating other organisations' events, organising DTC events and ensuring planned coverage of the town venues. 	Mike Stuart Cllrs Cllrs Stuart

