

**NINETEENTH MEETING OF THE MIRFIELD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN GROUP AT THE  
OLD COLONIAL DUNBOTTLE LANE MIRFIELD 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019 @ 19:00 HOURS**

**PRESENT**

Martyn Bolt (Facilitator), Ian Catherall, David Gluck (Consultant), Vivien Lees-Hamilton, Paul Harrison, Stuart Naisbett, Christine Sykes (Note Taker) and Philip Tolson

**APOLOGIES**

Cheryl Tyler,

**INTRODUCTION**

Cllr Bolt explained that the purpose of the meeting was to introduce David Gluck the Consultant recruited on behalf of Mirfield Town Council. This will be an opportunity to review the work done thus far, and set out the way forward with the opportunity for questions at the end.

**THE CONSULTANT**

David Gluck said that he had successfully completed nine plans; and had 10 others in the process of approval. Now that The Kirklees Local Plan has been approved it will be helpful, as Neighbourhood Plans had to be in conformity; and this would now be easier. Once completed our Plan would be as legally important as the Local Plan, given that it will be effectively a chapter of it.

Locality, a Planning NGO are the grant funding body to which he will apply for funding to cover his fees and all other costs.

An integral part of the plan will be Policies. These will be

Environment:

Drainage & Flooding

Litter

Health & Well-Being:

Leisure

Renewables

Play areas

Design:

Housing

Safe Neighbourhoods can also come under the umbrella of the Plan.

They all have to be evidence based to be acceptable.

Once there is something to share, it will be published on the Mirfield Town Council website and Mirfield Neighbourhood Plan's Facebook page.

This Plan is about the community, written by the community, for the community. Once a draft is ready it will go to public consultation as a statutory part of the process; hopefully by the end of this year. Kirklees will arrange a referendum which they pay for. The whole process will take a couple of years.

He has researched our area and found there to be no Conservation Areas; but lots of listed buildings. David Gluck said it would be a good idea to get business people involved. He proposed regular monthly meetings and said he would be happy to visit local schools to talk to the young people.

He has reworked the Progress Plan

Action Point

*Ian Catherall to facilitate arrangements for school visits*

*David Gluck to send the new Progress Plan to Christine Sykes for distribution*

**QUESTIONS**

Ian Catherall asked what the Vision for Mirfield would be. Christine Sykes said that it had been devised at the second meeting.

Paul Harrison asked if the Road Infrastructure would be looked at

Ian Catherall asked if CIL money might be lost by having policies that Developers should be paying for

**AOB**

None

**Next Meeting:** TBA