

Lydiard Millicent Neighbourhood Steering Group Meeting 27th November 2025

Present: Mel Allsop (LMPC), Paul Kohn (Vice-Chairman), Sarah Hill-Wheeler (LMPC), Ian Hill, Sherilyn Aitken, Mark Claydon-Smith, Julian Wright, Henrietta Cole (MLP), Aaron Smith (MLP)

Apologies: Pat Cole (Chairman/LMPC), Colin Mills, Julie Mills, Tom Rasmussen, Giles Francke

The minutes from the meeting on August 28th were agreed

Master Land and Planning (MLP) had previously sent a report on sites, key views, local green spaces and non-designated heritage assets following the public consultation in October. This results of the site options were discussed in detail. Aaron Smith explained that stage 3 (Community Consultation) has now been completed and MLP will now undertake stage 4 (Site Appraisals). All sites put forward for consultation will now be assessed against the objectives of the neighbourhood plan. A copy of the consultation results report to be put onto website.

There was a discussion around the vision and objectives of the new plan. These were based on those in the current made plan. MLP will circulate updated vision and objectives including an additional objective on climate and as well as a desire to maintain the gap between Swindon and Lydiard Millicent something to be included relating to maintaining the gap between Lydiard Millicent and Purton/Royal Wootton Bassett.

At the next meeting the steering group will be required to agree which sites should be taken forward to the site evaluation stage (stage 6). Members of the steering group to notify any interests (pecuniary or otherwise) in any of the sites to be shortlisted.

The Housing Needs Assessment document was previously sent to Wiltshire Council. MLP have received a response highlighting 3 minor things which should be considered or changed. This was reassuring as it confirmed that Wiltshire Council have considered the document.

Steering group to consider an article to be written for the January Lydiards Magazine with an update following the consultation and report. Deadline for this is 15th December.

Actions:

Mel A	Consultation results report to be put onto LMPC website
MLP	Circulate updated vision and objectives. Response needed from steering group to allow MLP to assess sites against objectives
Mel A/Clerk	Organise confirmation of any interest in sites for steering group
All	Consider importance of the gap/views between Lydiard Millicent and Lydiard Park. Discussion at February meeting.
Sub Groups	Screen feedback on Key Views, Local Green Spaces and Heritage Assets ahead of January meeting
All	Article for Lydiards Magazine

Next meeting – 14th January 2026 – 7pm JCH

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