

Grasby, Searby cum Owmby Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Meeting Number: 48 **Date:** 14th January 2026

Location: Cross Keys, Grasby **Time:** 19:00

Attendees: Chris Mead (Chairman)
 Janet Brown (Treasurer)
 Rob Bennett
 Tim Phipps
 Julie Turnbull
 Steve Riley (Secretary)

Apologies: Cllr Peter Morris
 Mike Downing
 Mark Palmer

Agenda:

1. Outstanding actions from previous meetings (Steve)
2. Progress since last meeting (Chris)
3. Community engagement (All)
4. Next steps for neighbourhood plan (Chris)
5. Actions arising and next meeting (Steve)

Major Points of Discussion

Item	Description	Action
1. Actions from last meeting		
47.1	An application to the WLDC Community Action fund for £3,109 was made in December in order for the steering group to complete the Neighbourhood Plan. Closed. The grant was approved in full on the 20 th December. Our thanks go to Peter for identifying and supporting this grant. Conditions apply before the monies are released, see 2.2.	
47.2	Chris will co-ordinate with Mark to issue a social media post to all residents on the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan. Ongoing. Chris will update both the Grasby and Searby cum Owmby Facebook sites with the latest situation regarding the plan. He will include the information on public consultation required under Regulation 16 provided by Nev in his email of today (14 th January), see 3.1.	CM 47.2
2. Progress since last meeting		
2.1	Neighbourhood Plan update: Formal submission of the Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents were made to Nev at WLDC on 25 th November with receipt acknowledged on the 26 th November. All the documents submitted are available on the Grasby Parish Council website (see GSOPN Steering Group). Earlier today, Nev confirmed the following by email: "I wish to inform you that Regulation 16 submission consultation on your Grasby and Searby cum Owmby Neighbourhood Plan is underway and will run until 13 th March 2026. Details are available on WLDC's website at: Grasby and Searby cum Owmby Neighbourhood Plan West Lindsey District Council "	
2.2	Finances: The group has received a grant offer from WLDC of £3109.00 which, if accepted, would be paid as a single payment at the start of the 'project'. The 'project' being the completion of the plan. The project period being 9 th January to 31 st December 2026. There are many conditions attached to the offer. The offer must be accepted by Grasby Parish Council who will then be responsible for complying with the conditions. Acceptance of this proposal will be tabled for discussion on the agenda of the Grasby Parish Council meeting to be held on the 21 st January.	
3. Community engagement		
3.1	WLDC has forwarded formal notices regarding Regulation 16 public consultation that must be displayed on parish notice boards and at the proposed development sites. Janet will help with the production of these notices and Chris will ensure they are displayed as requested. It was noted that the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan is currently running a 'Call for Sites' exercise throughout the county to identify land that may be suitable for future development. This ends on the 15 th February. Chris will contact Nev shortly after this date to discuss the potential impact of any additional sites that could affect our parishes and the current plan.	JB / CM 48.1 CM 48.2

Action

4. Next steps for neighbourhood plan

The following steps are proposed:

- Acceptance of the grant conditions at the Grasby Parish Council meeting of 21st January.
- Formal publication of the Regulation 16 consultation period on notice boards, proposed development sites, parish council website and social media.
- Assisting WLDC in the appointment of an independent examiner.

5. Actions arising and next meeting

The actions of this meeting were agreed by all those involved.

The next steering group meeting is to be held at 19:00 at the Cross Keys on Wednesday, 18th February.

Note: A further meeting is currently proposed at 19:00 on Tuesday the 17th March after the completion of the Regulation 16 consultation (which ends 13th March). The date and location to be confirmed at the next meeting.