

Grasby, Searby cum Owmbly Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Meeting Number: 50

Date: 17th March 2026

Location: Cross Keys, Grasby

Time: 19:00

Attendees: Chris Mead (Chairman)
Rob Bennett
Julie Turnbull
Steve Riley (Secretary)

Apologies: Janet Brown (Treasurer)
Mike Downing
Tim Phipps
Mark Palmer
Cllr Peter Morris

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 |
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1. Actions from last meeting

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| 48.2 | Central Lincolnshire Local Plan team recently conducted a ‘Call for Sites’ exercise throughout the county to identify land that may be suitable for future development. This ended on the 15 th February. Closed. No information received to date; it was decided to close this action and deal with any subsequent changes to the plan through the regular process should this be necessary. | |
| 49.1 | The latest invoice from Helen Metcalf is awaiting payment. Closed. Invoice totalling £1,150 paid from the latest WLDC grant fund. | |

2. Progress since last meeting

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| 2.1 | Neighbourhood Plan update: Regulation 16 consultation conducted by West Lindsey District Council (WLDC) completed on 13 th March 2026. Chris has spoken to Nev Brown, Senior Neighbourhood Planning Policy Officer, who confirmed that community feedback had been received during the period and this will be posted on the District Council website in due course. No indication on the nature of the feedback or the number of comments received was forthcoming. The steering group will monitor the site > Grasby and Searby cum Owmbly Neighbourhood Plan West Lindsey District Council over the coming days for an update. Chris to follow-up with Nev as necessary. | CM 50.1 |
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The steering group was expecting to be engaged by WLDC on the appointment of an Independent Examiner towards the end of the Regulation 16 consultation period. This has yet to happen with no information received to date. This matter is outside the steering group’s direct control, so we eagerly await communication from WLDC regarding this next step towards the plan’s adoption.

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| 2.2 | Finances: The WLDC Community Fund grant of £3,109.00 was paid to the Grasby Parish Council on the 13 th February. £1,150 was recently paid to Helen Metcalf, our planning consultant, from this fund. The remaining monies are held in obedience to cover any future cost associated with completing the plan. | |
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3. Community engagement

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| 3.1 | Social media post have been made to both parish’s Facebook pages in the last month regarding the progress of the plan through Regulation 16. Further updates will be made once more information is made available by WLDC. | |
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4. Next steps for neighbourhood plan

The following steps are proposed (same as previous minutes):

- Communicating with WLDC on the completion of the Regulation 16 consultancy period.
- 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 Grasby Village Hall on Wednesday, 8th April.