

RoWToP
Ross-on-Wye Town Plan

Report on Environment and Strategic Housing Meeting with Cllr John Jarvis

Meeting Date: 30/10/07 at 5:00 p.m.

Met By: Brian Atherton, following email consultations with the Chairman and the other members of the Stage 2 sub-group, Rob Brain and Dai Harries.

- 1. The LDF (Local Development Framework)**
 - a. This is being developed now and will, in due course, replace the UDP.
 - b. It is Council Policy that instruments such as Parish and Town Plans will inform the LDF and so influence its content and execution.
- 2. County environment policy**
 - a. Separate meeting with Andy Tectnor to be arranged
 - b. Flower beds are currently tended by the County Council but it has no statutory duty. Would it make more sense for these and similar activities to become officially the Town Council's responsibility?
- 3. County strategic housing policy**
 - a. Separate meeting with Richard Gabb to be arranged
 - b. Town Plan SG could consider including means for identifying "brown-field" sites either for affordable housing or employment.
- 4. Waste collection services**
 - a. Potential health hazard domestic waste, such as kitchen waste, will continue to be collected weekly as at present.
 - b. Recyclable waste will be collected bi-weekly and means will be introduced for energy recovery from its disposal. Failure to achieve this would result in punitive fines by central government.
 - c. Arrangements will be made to extend the opening hours of the Ross domestic waste disposal centre on the Ashburton estate.
- 5. Recycling services**
 - a. These will be extended to cover the entire county.
- 6. Provision for affordable homes**
 - a. Comes under Richard Gabb. See (3) above.
- 7. Flooding**
 - a. Comes under Brian Wilcox with whom a separate meeting has been arranged.
- 8. Signage and street furniture as it relates to the environment**
 - a. Also comes under Brian Wilcox. See (7) above.
- 9. Impact of environmental issues on the aged, disabled and the frail.**
 - a. Needs further discussion.
- 10. Specific issues (e.g. the re-cycling of plastics)**
 - a. Needs further discussion.
- 11. Any other related topics**
 - a. None discussed.