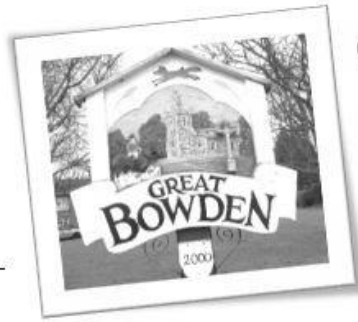




Great Bowden's
Neighbourhood Plan
Our Neighbourhood
Our Future

Item 10: Report from the Neighbourhood plan Monitoring and Review committee.
GBPC Meeting, Wednesday 13th March 2024

As has previously been reported, Great Bowden Parish Council has made a successful bid for a technical support package that will allow a professional company, AECOM, to evaluate the viability of small scale development sites that have been identified. The assessment will encompass, among other considerations, determining the appropriate number of units for the plot's size and ensuring that additional traffic movements do not adversely affect local residents.

Paul and I had an on-line meeting with experts from AECOM on the 30th January which was followed by a site visit, made by AECOM, which took place on Thursday 22nd February. They made this site visit unaccompanied by any representative from GBPC which was an option that AECOM were happy with. Prior to this site visit, information had been provided by the Monitoring and Review Committee on the sites being assessed.

We also made a successful bid for a technical support package that will allow AECOM, to advise on producing a new housing design code for Great Bowden.

This will set simple, concise design requirements and will use visual and numerical information. This is to ensure that any future development is in keeping and maintains and enhances Great Bowden's distinctive character.

A visit, by AECOM, will be made on Thursday 28th March. For this visit, there's a definite requirement for representatives of GBPC to be present.

The visit will start with a chat between AECOM and the neighbourhood planning group. AECOM will use a questionnaire and map to facilitate the discussion. Then we will head out for a tour of the village. AECOM are happy to take our lead on the tour or provide a walking route. AECOM will then take away their observations and documented findings and come back to us with their initial thoughts for the design code for our review and comment.

AECOM will require GBPC to recommend a route through the village to emphasise what is good and what isn't!

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