



Eastington Community Land Trust (ECLT)

Steering Group Meeting

Thursday 20th October 2016

Report by Acting Secretary on items 7 and 8

(I will be absent for this meeting)

7. Progress on Ground Survey and Ecology Phase 1 reports

Reports commissioned from local professionals acting pro bono have been completed.

The Ground Survey report has been made available to PM and KH for scrutiny and will be released once minor adjustments have been made. There are no “stoppers” and a limited Phase 2 study with test soil samples will be carried out after the Feasibility. We have a revised (lower) budget of £2,000 allocated to the second Locality Grant for that.

The Ecology Report is only verbal at this point but also has no “stoppers” as far as feasibility is concerned. This applies both to flora and fauna, the prolonged use of the field for arable having all but eliminated anything interesting. A Phase 2 report may not be necessary.

8. Progress on Sound Survey and Topographical Survey and delegation of decisions

We have a short list of suppliers of both services and AB has agreed to seek quotes based on specifications drafted by PM/KH. Budgets of £2,000 and £1,000 are part of the Locality Feasibility Grant, (see item 9).

To maintain momentum, I propose that AB and PM be asked to provide a brief report and recommendation to MB and TL as soon as either of these has gained sufficient quotations for an assessment. The decision of these four, a majority of the Group, would be implemented immediately and then reported to the next available meeting for minute purposes.

PM/TL will follow a similar procedure with Highways phase 1 (budget £1,100) and Engineering (budget £1,000)

ACTION : Steering Group to vote on this delegation

TL/AL have discussed phased terms of engagement with the Architect i.e. commitment up to the end of Feasibility, which will be reported to the next meeting

Tom Low

Acting Secretary ECLT