

PRESS RELEASE

Way Ahead for Wendover!

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At the Wendover Parish Council meeting on 1st September councillors discussed the independent report commissioned by the council in phase 2 of the Way Ahead for Wendover project. The report is designed to refresh and modernise the council's procedures and practices, and focuses on solutions which are built into a detailed action plan. Both documents are available at http://www.wendover-pc.gov.uk/way_ahead.htm

The council approved a series of proposals for the adoption of the report and action plan and the early delivery of some of the priority actions.

As the newly elected chairman, Cllr Sue Toft Hunt, commented after the meeting "I am pleased to have Cllr Steven Worth alongside as Vice Chairman. Steven has also taken on the mantle of Training Champion, co-ordinating training for councillors and staff – a priority need identified in our action plan.

There are currently two vacancies for councillors and I hope that candidates from all sections of our community will feel inspired to put their names forward for joining this new go-ahead team. '

At the council meeting, Pat Edwards of Local Council Services, answered questions from councillors and residents, and added "*The council has turned what has been a rather uncomfortable experience into a constructive strategic team-building exercise which must surely be in the public interest.*"

Joanna Swift, Monitoring Officer at Aylesbury Vale District Council commented "*The Way Ahead report is commendably concise and supported by a very comprehensive action plan. I entirely support the suggested actions. A bonus is that the action plan should take Wendover Parish Council a long way towards complying with the criteria for Quality Council Status.*"

Cllr Sue Toft-Hunt
Chairman