

Malvern High Street - Design Group

14th Feb

Present: Walter Brooke, David Habershon, Rae Stevens, Pat Handley, Penny Dougla, Geoff Douglas, Sheila Young, Ted Fahey, Robin Elt, Christine Turner, Christopher Turner, Claire Vafiadis, Tim & Liesbeth Gunter, Brian Iles, Peter Smith, Ray Roberts, Dudley Brook, Anthony Collins

Introductions & brief outline of Main Street process – website www.mainstreet.org

General discussion around:

- Post Office & Hospital
 - Action – need to obtain facts/ concern over redevelopment & design issues (separate Post Office group being set up)
- 'Guerrilla gardening' hedge in front of library
- Development of a town Centre Walk
- What would be the 'ideal mix' ?
 - Independents/multiples
 - Type of business
 - Arts involvement
 - Infrastructure/parking
 - Heritage
 - People friendly
- 3 Counties Show – 1m people not accessing the town
- Hill walkers not accessing the town
- Future of public transport
- Inward investment – model of St Ives – philanthropic individual investor
- Spa Heritage
- Possibility of funding around 'clusters'

Next meeting (Weds 14th March)

- Importance of incremental steps
- Bring existing plans
- Begin mapping current activities