



ENGAGEMENT WITH THE PARISHES

Working Draft issued to both Parish Councils and Parishioners November 2018

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group working with the local councils and parishioners, advised by consultants, has produced a well-developed working draft of the document. It is based on the survey conducted in 2016, objectives and policies agreed in principle by both Parish Councils.

The national process for Development Plans requires a number of regulatory stages leading up to a Referendum. The next important step is Regulation 14 Public Consultation where the local authorities and the parishioners have a regulatory period (6 weeks but longer if over holidays such as Christmas).

Wide publicity and engagement is to be undertaken by the Parish councils. Regulation 14 consultation will formally commence in mid-December 2018 (PCs to sign off the document on 10th Dec). Parishioners and authorities will have until mid-February 2019 (date to be finalised) to respond. There will be public meetings in both villages in the New Year.

The working draft attached will be completed by the steering group over the next 4 weeks. It is issued now as part of open engagement with the community and inputs are welcome. The draft indicates where there are outstanding tasks. This is NOT part of the formal regulatory consultation period but is an opportunity for the community to have an early say on main issues and assist the drafting team in reaching a robust and enduring policy document. A PDF copy (manageable size) will be placed on websites. Any comments can be addressed to the Steering Group or Parish Council members. If in doubt please contact ndpadmin@wdwtplan.org.uk or alanjbannister@hotmail.com.