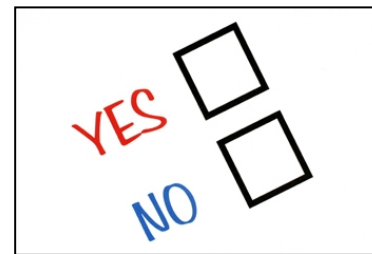


Neighbourhood Planning



Introduction

- Neighbourhood Plans
- Different stages
- Opportunities?
- Challenges?
- Is it right for you?
- Useful Resources
- Questions

Neighbourhood Plans

- Localism Act 2011
- Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012
- Different Elements of Neighbourhood Planning
 - Neighbourhood Plans
 - Neighbourhood Development Orders
 - Community Right to Build Orders
- Neighbourhood Plans
 - Community-led framework for guiding the future growth and development of an area
 - Once adopted, form part of the Development Plan (along with Joint Core Strategy, Saved Policies Local Plan and subsequent Settlements and Countryside Local Plan)

Different Stages

- **Stage 1: Defining the Neighbourhood Area**
 - Completed for Barby and Onley
- **Stage 2: Preparing the plan**
 - Community engagement (6 week)
 - Evidence Base
 - Consult with statutory bodies (listed in 2012 regulations e.g.English Heritage, DDC, NCC)
- **Stage 3: Independent check**
 - Draft submitted to DDC
 - Consultation statement and basic conditions statement
 - 6 week consultation and appointment of Independent Examiner
- **Stage 4: Community Referendum**
 - Referendum organised by DDC
 - Majority support required
- **Stage 5: Legal force**
 - Forms part of Statutory Development Plan

Opportunities?

- Communities have a right to prepare various neighbourhood planning initiatives for their area
- Most interest around a neighbourhood development plan
- Greater weight in decision making
- Opportunity to shape and influence development in an area
- Complicated and lengthy statutory process to follow, but Government not prescriptive on content

Challenges?

- Need to follow the strategic planning context (Joint Core Strategy and Settlements and Countryside Local Plan)
 - e.g. deliver equivalent or more- cannot be less
- No right of veto over agreed development needs
- Significant amount of work (voluntary)
 - Evidence Base, Consultation
 - Estimated 2 year period
- Requires understanding of the planning system and the workings of the public and private sectors
- Local Authority resources
- Landowners may be overly influential or absent
- Skills

Is neighbourhood planning the right approach for you?

- What are the issues that need to be addressed?
 - Best addressed through a Neighbourhood Plan?
 - Alternative options e.g. Village Design Statement
 - Countryside and Settlements Local Plan
- Is the group familiar with the statutory process?
- Is there sufficient resources?
 - Necessary skills?
 - Wider community support?
 - Access to support and/or finance?
 - Available time?
- Is there a clear vision for your neighbourhood?
- Do you know all the key stakeholders and partners?
- Can you deal with landowners and developers?
- How will you engage and involve the whole community?

Useful resources

- Daventry District Council website
 - Planning Policy/Neighbourhood Planning
- Kirkwells- Daventry Framework
 - £40.00 per hour / £280.00 per day
- Planning Aid
- Planning Advisory Service
- My community rights website
- Tattenhall and District Neighbourhood Plan
- Exeter St James Neighbourhood Plan



Questions?

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