

## **Why have a Neighbourhood Plan?**

- Neighbourhood plans have real legal force.
- Part of the statutory planning for Chichester District
- Enables communities to take the lead in their own neighbourhoods in producing part of the statutory development plan for the area.
- Focused on the needs of the local community and can specify what is expected from development.
- Guide the provision of infrastructure
- The parish council will receive 25% of Community Infrastructure Levy to spend on key community projects identified by the parish

## **A Neighbourhood Plan**

Can:

- Set out infrastructure priorities
- Influence where development takes place
- Provide for development to meet local needs
- Influence design, layout & materials

Cannot:

- Conflict with Chichester Local Plan
- Be prepared by a body other than Parish Council
- Stop development identified in an adopted or emerging Local Plan

## **Community led**

- The NP will be created by the local community
- Everyone can be involved
- The final plan will set out how we would like our area to develop over the next 15 years
- No input from the community = no plan

## The Process

- Form Steering Group and set up working parties
- Publicity and engagement
- Build evidence base
- Drafting the plan
- Pre-submission community consultation
- Submission to CDC
- Examination
- Referendum
- Adoption

Timescale April 2019 to July 2020

## Working Groups

1. Housing and economic development: *Analysis of current and future need*
2. Community infrastructure: *Roads, transport facilities, education, medical facilities, sport facilities, open spaces, digital networks, flood management and other community services*
3. Natural Environment: *Landscape designations such as: habitats, woods, rivers, agricultural land, views*
4. Communication: *Web-site, publicity, events, media, community meetings*

## Get Involved

- Opportunity to tell us what you want for our neighbourhood.
- We would like your unbiased views and opinion
- We welcome and value all your comments
- Any amount of time you can volunteer will be greatly valued
- A lot of skills in the community that will benefit the plan development
- Share the message with your friends and neighbours
- Views of all residents, businesses and community groups will form the basis of the plan
- Best results will come from the whole community thinking objectively about the next 15 years
- Volunteers are essential for a successful plan