



The Scope of Plan has now been finalised and submitted to Chichester District Council (CDC). The Scope sets out the areas for which we intend to develop detailed policies such as housing, community facilities and the environment.

The next steps will be to commission a Strategic Environment Assessment (SEA) and a Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA). These are necessary to ensure our Neighbourhood Plan is compliant with current UK legislation. In parallel with this work, which is carried out by a contractor, we will be drafting the first version of the Neighbourhood Plan. All of this work is expected to take us until about November 2020.

Once we have a draft plan, we can commence the consultation process with residents, businesses and other stakeholders. At the moment we expect to be able to start the consultation process around the end of the year or early 2021. The actual process of consultation may be affected by the Covid-19 situation; normally it would be expected to hold public meetings, but we will have to make alternative arrangements if the current risk level is still present.

We are always interested to hear the views of parishioners, so please take the time to contact me by email john.ashley@northmundhamneighbourhoodplan.co.uk and let me know your thoughts and ideas on the future of our parish.

Don't forget to keep monitoring the planning applications site of CDC which can be done via this link <https://www.chichester.gov.uk/viewplanningapplications>. Please use this link to lodge your comments, both positive and negative, about specific development plans.

Remember the Neighbourhood Plan is the only way we can influence the future development of our Parish over the coming years, so please help us to help all of you by actively getting involved, talking with friends and neighbours and letting us know what you think.

John Ashley.