

Queniborough's Quest for a

Neighbourhood Plan Continues



Our grant application which provides the funding for the development of Queniborough's Neighbourhood Plan has been approved and work has now started in earnest.



This began with our latest community consultation event which was held on Saturday 30th September in the Village Hall. Our lead consultants, The Rural Community Council (RCC) helped plan and prepare for the event and members of the Steering Group were on hand to welcome people and walk them through the process.

A series of boards around the Hall provided details outlining the issues raised in our previous drop-in sessions. The objective of this event was to get to the detail behind those issues and use that detail as the basis for a draft Neighbourhood Plan. Over sixty people attended on the day and several more made their comments using the back of the flyer in the Gazette and via email.

We now have a number of excellent comments to follow-up but you can never have too many. So, you still have time to make your feelings known by emailing us using the contact details below or filling in the box on the back of the flyer, which was in the last Gazette. Please take the time; we can use the Plan to help us to protect the areas of the Village most important to us all. But, we need to know where those areas are.

Our next major event has been scheduled for Tuesday 7th November. This will be the Stakeholders (people with specific interest in the village) Consultation Event which will be held in the School between 5.30pm and 8.00pm (many thanks to Joy Hardy for letting us use the School). A great deal of work has been going on behind the scenes identifying all the Landowners, Businesses and Local groups in the Parish who will all be sent a personal invitation to the event.

There will be a welcome from the Steering Group Chair and a presentation giving an overview of the Neighbourhood Planning process and the role and support it can provide to communities.

A series of 'Issues and Opportunities' sessions will follow during which time participants, in small groups, will be facilitated in working through the issues and opportunities highlighted by each themed area e.g. Traffic & Transport, Services and Facilities and Housing. The meeting will conclude with a plenary session, where people will come together and report back on the key issues raised.

It is important that we get as many people as possible to this event so if you are a landowner, business or local group and you live or work in Queniborough and you don't receive an invitation please contact the group using the details below.

RCC will take away all the comments received from the Community and Stakeholder Events and collate them before reporting back to the Steering Group at our December meeting.

All our documents and the minutes of our meeting are available on the Parish Councils website under <http://www.queniboroughpc.org.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html> . Please feel free to have a look.

If you would like more information or like to get involved please contact Mike Jones via email on jones.michael8@sky.com or telephone on 0116 260 7773. Thanks in advance.

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