



# CONSULTATION STRATEGY

## INTRODUCTION

"Plan for the Future" will be the Whatton-in-the-Vales' Neighbourhood Plan. When completed and approved the Neighbourhood Plan will, under the Localism Act (2011), form part of Rushcliffe Borough Council's Planning Framework which will regulate future development in Whatton-in-the-Vale to the year [insert date to coincide with the LPA plan date].

Development of the Neighbourhood Plan will be led by Whatton-in-the-Vale Parish Council's Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, a core group of including Whatton-in-the-Vale Parish Councillors and residents (the 'Steering Group'. As outlined below, all residents and other interested parties will be consulted and their collective views will be taken into account in developing the Neighbourhood Plan, thus ensuring that it receives the required approval of the majority of those voting on it in a referendum.

## WHO WILL BE CONSULTED?

### A. THOSE WITH KEY INTERESTS IN THE SUCCESS OF THE PLAN (THE "KEY STAKEHOLDERS")

- Whatton-in-the-Vale residents (existing, plus those who have expressed an interest in living in Whatton-in-the-Vale)
- Whatton-in-the-Vale community organisations (Whatton Jubilee Hall, Whatton and Aslockton Playing Field and other clubs, societies and associations)
- Whatton-in-the-Vale businesses and their employees
- Local landowners and developers with proposals for possible housing sites

Neighbouring Parish and Town Councils (Aslockton, Orston, Elton-on-the-Hill, Langar and Barnstone and Bingham)

### B. STATUTORY CONSULTEES

- Nottinghamshire County Council
- The Environment Agency English Heritage
- Natural England



## HOW WILL THE KEY STAKEHOLDERS BE CONSULTED?

- Letters/ information sent direct to all key stakeholders inviting their opinions
- Community consultation meetings within the Village
- Questionnaires to be circulated to all key stakeholders

## WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO FEEDBACK FROM CONSULTATION?

A ‘consultation views and comments schedule’ will be produced, which shows what proportion supported each reply option for each set question, analyses all comments received and states how the collected replies and comments were used in developing or revising the draft Neighbourhood Plan.

## HOW WILL THE PROGRESS OF THE PLAN BE COMMUNICATED?

- The Steering Group will maintain a web site, where the minutes of the meetings will be displayed along with details of significant ‘milestones’ and conclusions.
- The Steering Group will publish regular newsletters detailing the progress of the consultations which will be delivered to all stakeholders.
- The Steering Group will hold regular Stakeholder meetings at which progress can be explained and further interactive consultations can be explored.

## CONSULTATION OBJECTIVES

Whichever method of communication is being used for each part of the consultation process, its use will be carefully designed with clear questions asked and with people given easy-to-understand instructions, such that the responses clearly identify which aspect(s) of the developing Neighbourhood Plan or its associated documents the answers and comments apply to.

*Whatton-in-the-Vale Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group – September 2017*