

FARNHAM'S NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

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GREAT RESPONSE TO LATEST CONSULTATION!

Thank you to everyone, who took the time to answer our survey, held in February and March this year.

We are busy collating all the responses, to ensure that the document fully reflects the views of the town's residents and businesses.

We look forward to hearing your views on the next draft.



A BIG STEP FORWARD FOR THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN!

The Neighbourhood Planning Team is now working with experienced planning consultants, Tony Fullwood Associates, to produce a robust Neighbourhood Plan, which will not only deliver the aspiration of the town's residents but will also be robust enough to pass examination by an Independent Examiner.

What have we been doing?

Following the community workshop in November and the subsequent survey of residents on the proposals discussed at that workshop, the team has been busy looking at all the responses.

It is clear that residents want to protect the distinctive characteristics of each part of the town. They will demand good design in any future development and seek to ensure that important areas for biodiversity are preserved. Residents also want to retain the green and spacious setting of the town and value its relationship with the surrounding countryside.

There will be further consultation on key options in the summer, before a final consultation document is drawn up later in the year.

"Farnham's Neighbourhood Plan timetable has been adjusted to enable a further consultation exercise later this summer to look at specific options for the future of Farnham based on up to date evidence since we think it is important that the process we undertake and the document we produce is robust enough to satisfy an examiner, before it can go out to referendum and play a key part in the future of Farnham"

– Councillor Carole Cockburn, Lead Member, Infrastructure Planning Group

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Buildings of Local Merit

The Farnham Society is co-operating with Farnham Town Council to establish a list of potential Buildings of Merit to be added to the register of such buildings maintained by Waverley Borough Council for the whole Borough.

The register is being used to inform decisions taken by Waverley Officers and Councillors in the planning process and it is in all of our interests in Farnham that such buildings in Farnham are properly identified in the register.

However, it is a big job to cover the whole of Farnham and ideally requires local knowledge to identify such buildings. Thus we would like to work with local residents' associations and others to achieve this task.

Specifically, we are looking for volunteers who have an interest in protecting their local area and the buildings of merit in their area. What they would be asked to do is simply take a photograph and give the address of the buildings that they think should be added to the register. It should be noted however that the final decision on which buildings are added to the register will lie with Waverley Borough Council.

We would hope that your residents' association would be willing to help with the Farnham Society and Farnham Town Council in this project and if so, please respond to Rachel Aves at neighbourhoodplan@farnham.gov.uk with the names and contact details of those who would be willing to help.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Website

Look out for the new Farnham Town Council website which will be launched in June. You can put in details of local events or activities and find useful links and contacts about life in Farnham.

Council Offices Meeting Room

If your local community group needs a meeting room, please feel free to use the refurbished Tindle Suite at the Council offices in South Street. Contact Ginny Gordon on 01252 712667 for more details.

Free Summer Concerts

Free summer concerts will be held every Sunday between 1st June and 7th September in Gostrey Meadow. Come down and enjoy the live music between 3-5pm.