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**Woodhouse Parish Neighbourhood Plan**  
*(Incorporating Woodhouse & Woodhouse Eaves)*

**Stakeholder Consultation Meeting**

**23<sup>rd</sup> October 2018**

# Welcome

from the

**Woodhouse Parish  
Neighbourhood Plan  
Advisory Group**

# Who We Are

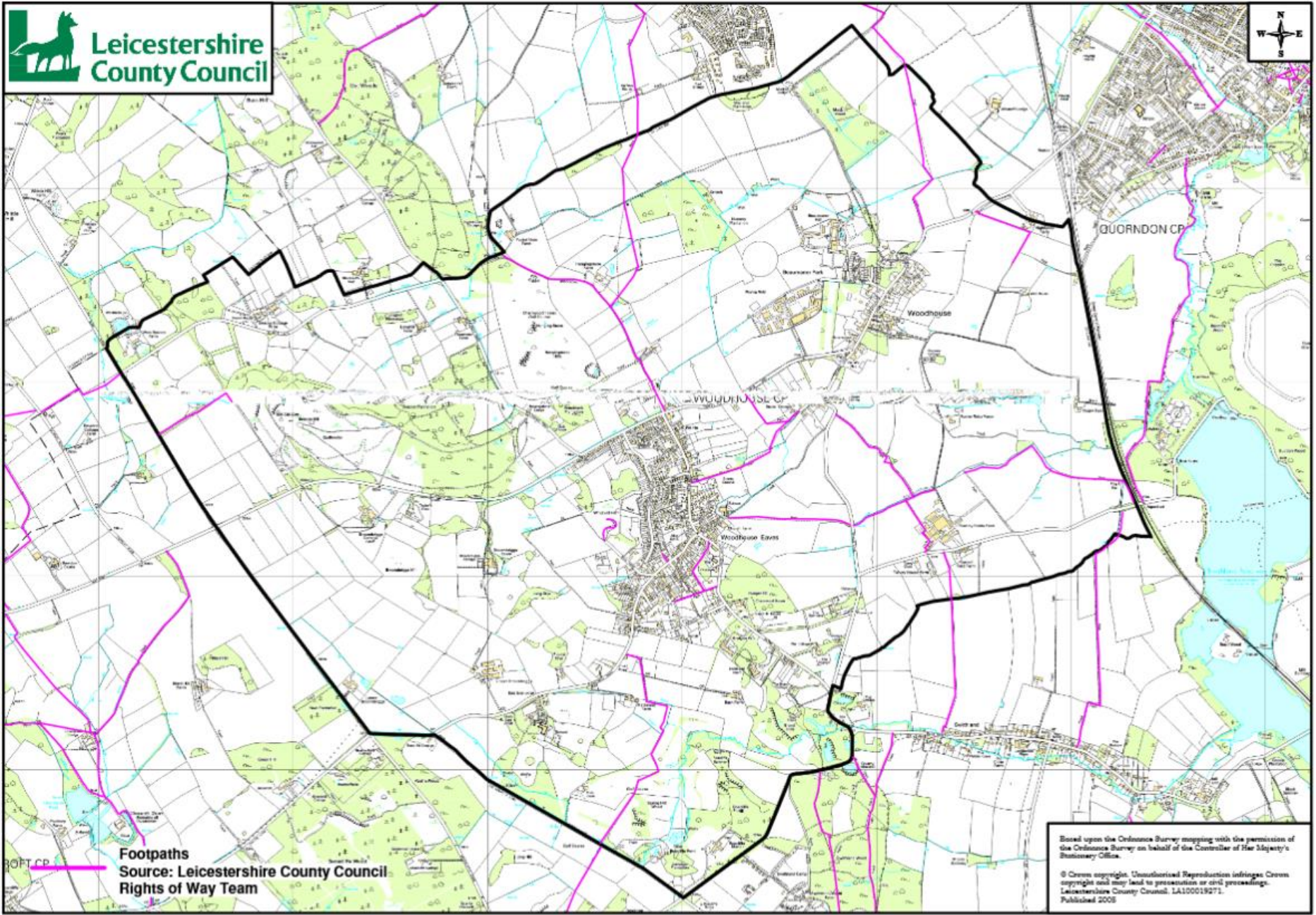
- Local volunteers
- Working closely with Woodhouse Parish Council
- Members
  - Chair - Neil Davidson
  - Sec - Merrin Jensen
- Public meeting - 13 June 2018
- Drop-in Session – September 2018

# What We've done (1)

- Area Boundary (parish) - Approved May 2018
- Advisory Group -Terms of Reference
- Consultants - Rural Community Council (RCC)
- Funding - Locality



**Leicestershire  
County Council**



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**Footpaths**  
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# Want To Know More?

- Information:-

Parish council website

[www.woodhouseparishcouncil.org.uk/woodhouse-parish-neighbourhood-p1.html](http://www.woodhouseparishcouncil.org.uk/woodhouse-parish-neighbourhood-p1.html)

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Thank you

# This Evening's Agenda

- 1. Welcome & Introductions**  
Chairman, Woodhouse Parish Neighbourhood Plan (Incorporating Woodhouse & Woodhouse Eaves) Advisory Group
- 2. Overview of Neighbourhood Planning**  
Rural Community Council (RCC)
- 3. Neighbourhood Planning – Borough Council Support/Information**  
**Paul Gilding** – Principal Planning Officer, Charnwood Borough Council
- 4. Issues and opportunities workshops**  
RCC
- 5. Workshop Groups**  
Led by Table facilitators
- 6. Plenary Feedback**

# Aims for the Evening

**Provide some background and context to the Woodhouse & Woodhouse Eaves Neighbourhood Plan.**

**Ensure you as local stakeholders understand the process and your role in helping to shape the Neighbourhood Plan.**

**Provide you with an opportunity to feed in the issues and opportunities you consider important to include or explore further within the Neighbourhood Planning process.**

**Make you aware of future opportunities to engage in the plan making process.**





# **Background to Neighbourhood Planning**

**John Preston/ Jhanvi Shukla**  
**Neighbourhood Planning Officers RCC**

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# Background to Neighbourhood Planning

- ★ **Development is essential to ensure our communities remain vibrant and sustainable.**
- ★ **The planning system exists to ensure sustainable development, support economic growth, improve people's quality of life, and protect the natural environment.**






**Traditionally communities have found it hard to get their voices heard, and have generally engaged the planning system in a reactive rather than proactive way.**



# **Neighbourhood Planning – New Opportunity**

**Through the Localism Act, Neighbourhood Planning empowers local communities to proactively plan the future development of their area by determining:**

- ★ The most appropriate location(s) for new development.**
  - ★ What type of development is needed and what it should look like.**
  - ★ Important areas / buildings that should be preserved.**
  - ★ Changes required to help sustain, improve and/or expand facilities, services and infrastructure.**
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# **A Neighbourhood Plan...**

- ... holds statutory weight within the Planning System.**
- ... sets policies related to the development & use of land.**
- ... is made by the Parish Council.**
- ... involves, but is not led by the Planning Authority.**
- ... proactively represents the needs & priorities of those that live, work, or do business within the community.**
- ... must be backed up by a robust evidence base**
- ... requires statutory consultation, an independent examination, and a local referendum.**

# A Neighbourhood Plan...

CAN	SHOULD NOT
Shape & direct future development.	Look to prevent any development from ever taking place in an area.
Identify the most suitable local sites for development.	Aim to simply block a specific or series of proposed developments.
Complement and/or add local detail to existing planning policies.	Conflict with relevant local, national or EU policies.
Encourage more development than proposed in an area.	Reduce the amount of development already allocated to an area.
Identify key assets for preservation.	Be prepared without input and support from the local community.
Set out improvements or additions to facilities, services and infrastructure.	Be prepared without the support of the Parish and Local Planning Authority.



**Neighbourhood Planning provides a mechanism for communities to engage the planning system and influence the future of their area in a proactive way.**



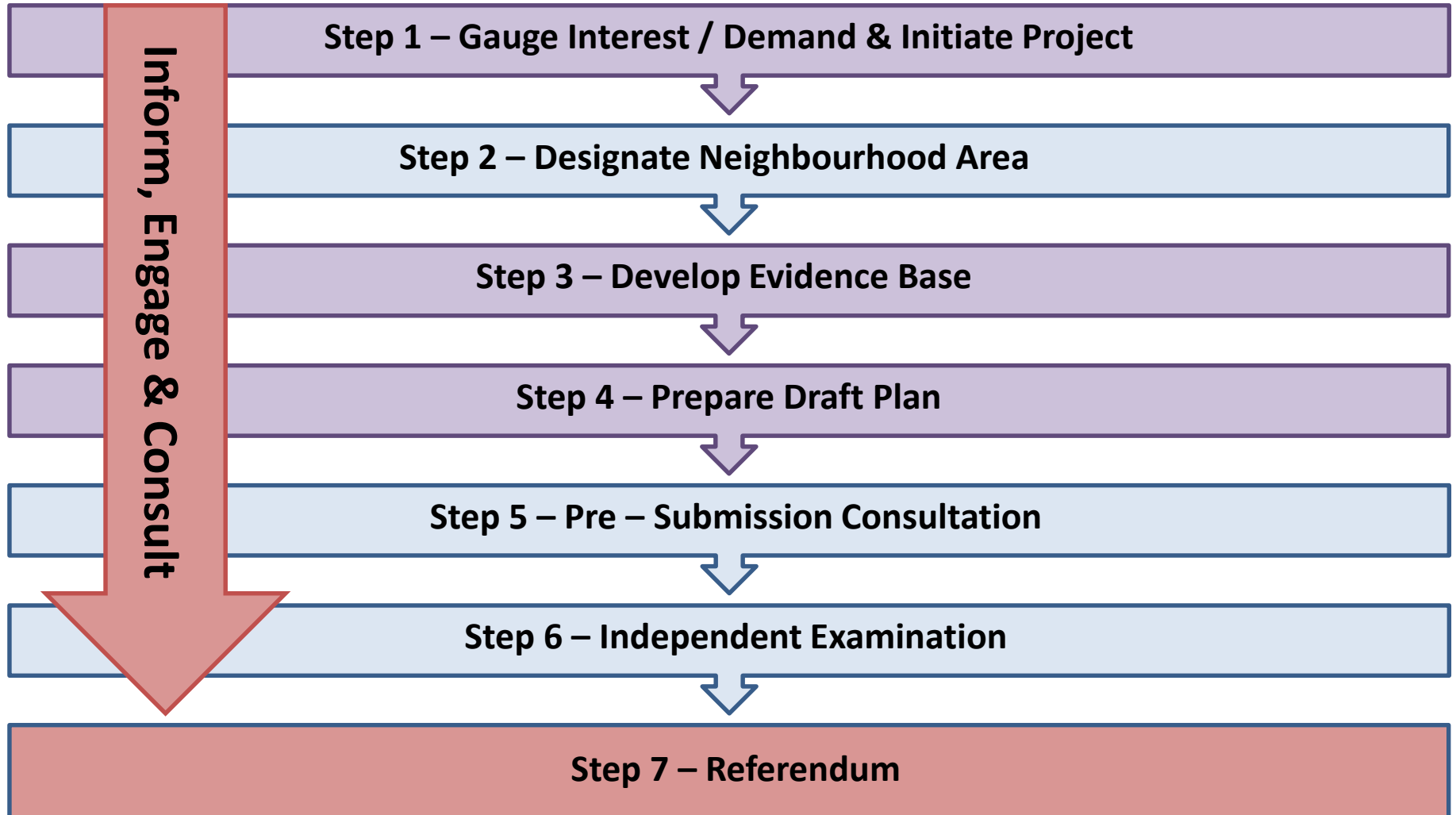
# **Neighbourhood Planning Stats**

*Ministry of Housing, Communities and  
Local Government*

- 610 plans in force
- 2,400 active groups
- 89% average yes vote
- 39% average turnout at referendums



# Steps to Create a Neighbourhood Plan



# Neighbourhood Planning

Charnwood Borough Council

Woodhouse – October 2018

# Introduction

- Identifies needs and priorities of local communities
- Shapes development (e.g. housing, employment, local green space, design)
- Sits alongside Charnwood Local Plan 2011 to 2028 Core Strategy - Part of development plan to determine applications unless material considerations indicate otherwise

## Introduction(cont.)

- CBC duty to support, advise, and manage statutory processes – case by case
- YOUR COMMUNITY'S PLAN
- Local people involved and engaged
- MHCLG Funding available
- Steps in the process – CBC input

# Step 1 – Designate Neighbourhood Area

- Establish Area which plan will cover
- Letter and plan submitted to CBC
- Designated 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2018

## Step 2 – Drafting the Neighbourhood Plan

- Public consultation
- Vision for area and objectives of plan
- Evidence gathering
- Policy drafting
- Public consultation
- Pre-submission consultation (Reg 14)
- Plan Revision

## Step 2 cont. (CBC input)

CBC can provide advice on:

- Processes and key stages
- Evidence and research available
- Funding sources, events, case studies
- Conformity with the Local Plan
- Comment on draft plan
- Produce Strategic Environmental

Assessment

## Step 3 – Submission and Consultation

Submit plan to CBC (Reg. 16)

- Check draft plan conforms to national and local policy and regulations
- Publish and advertise draft Neighbourhood Plan consultation
- Collate and pass on any responses



## Step 4 - Examination

- Appoint independent Examiner
- Arrange Examination, fund Examiner costs, provide venue (if required)
- Respond to Examiner's enquiries
- Consider Examiner's recommendations and publish report
- Advise whether changes are necessary

## Step 5 - Referendum

- Fund local referendum
- Administer
- Hold vote (50% +1 in favour)
- Publish results
- Used to determine applications

## Step 6 – Adoption

- Formal decision on adoption (made)
- Publish and distribute
- Part of the development plan

Any  
Questions?

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# Issues & Opportunities Workshop

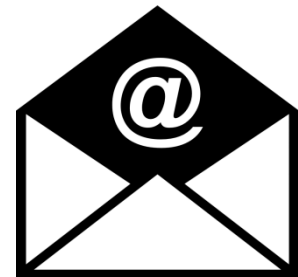
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**Round Table Discussions**



**Post It Notes**



**E-mail  
by 30<sup>th</sup> October  
2018**

# Workshop

**To consider the key  
Issues & Opportunities  
the Neighbourhood Plan  
will need to explore as a:**

- **Landowner**
- **Business**
- **Organisation**
- **Council**
- **Service Provider**

# Further Comments

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**DEADLINE – 30th October 2018**