



NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

*“We are clear that local people - and local authorities - must be at the heart of planning. The Localism Act has put the power to plan back in the hands of communities, but **with this power comes responsibility**: a responsibility to meet their needs for development and growth, and to deal quickly and effectively with proposals that will deliver homes, jobs and facilities.”*

Eric Pickles, 6 September 2012



Kingsclere's Neighbourhood Plan

- **Why do one?**
- **What is Neighbourhood Planning?**
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- **Kingsclere's objectives**
- **Work to date**
- **What happens next**



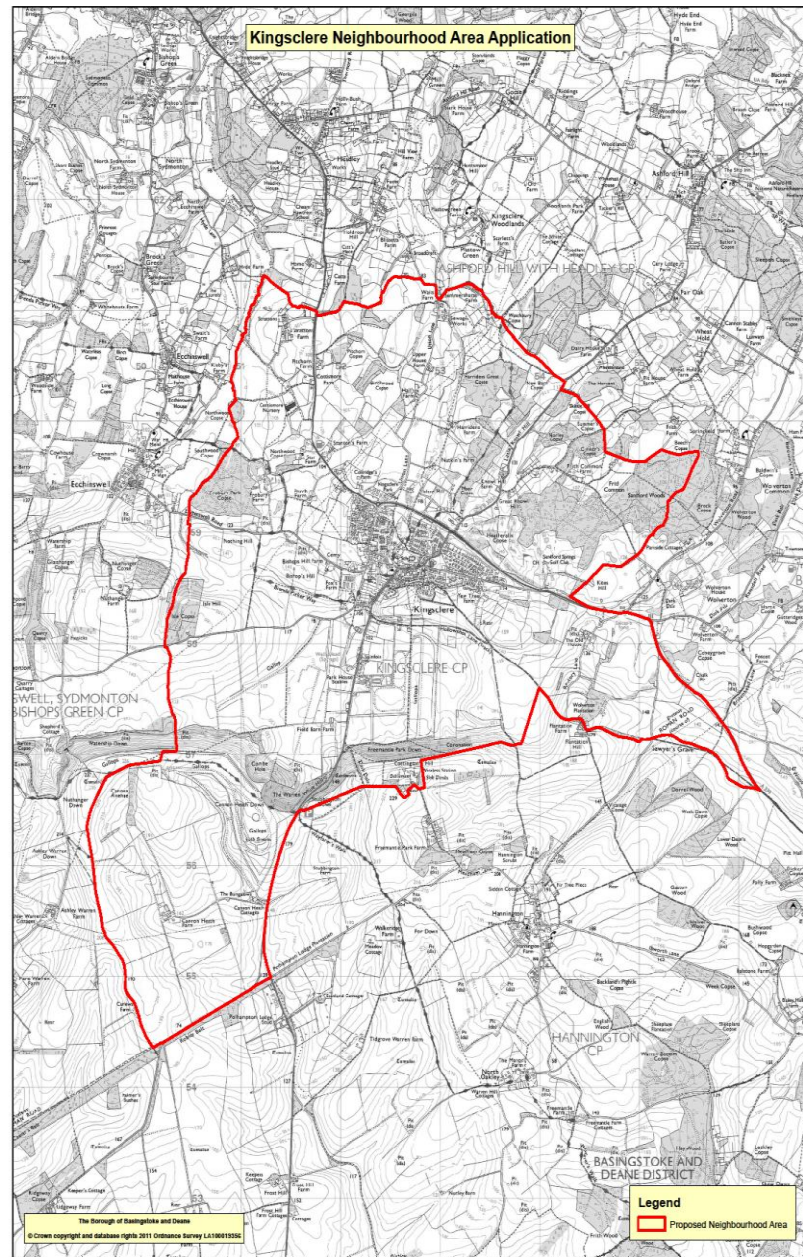
Why do one?

- **The Borough Council stipulated that Kingsclere would have to find sites for approximately 50 homes between now & 2029**
- **Gives Kingsclere the opportunity to say where & what type of development we want**
- **If adopted, becomes part of the Statutory Development Plan for the area**



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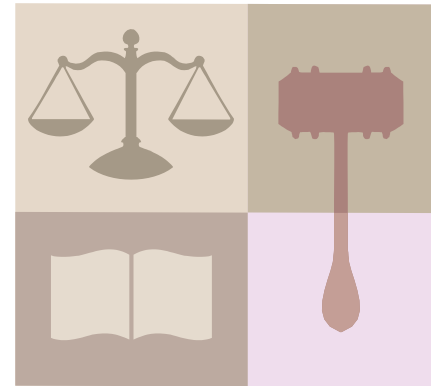
- **The LPA and planning inspectors MUST take the plan into consideration when making planning decisions**
- **Can bring the community together to agree on aspirations for the village**
- **If successful, Parish Council would receive 25% Community Infrastructure Levy payments**





What is Neighbourhood Planning?

**Introduced by the Localism Act
Came into force in 2012**



**Is not compulsory but if done, must be
prepared following a formal process**

**Must have an independent examination,
followed by a referendum, before it can be
statutorily adopted.**



What is Neighbourhood Planning?

A way for communities to decide the future shape of the place where they live and work.

It can allocate land for development & establish general planning policies for the development and use of land in a neighbourhood – housing, leisure facilities, businesses.

It can be detailed or general, depending on what local people want.



Key Principles

A new right; not a legal requirement

Not about stopping development happening but shaping and influencing design, location, mix, phasing and delivery of development

Flexibility is key

Localism Bill
[AS AMENDED IN COMMITTEE]
The Bill is divided into two volumes. Volume I contains the Clauses. Volume II contains the Schedules to the Bill.
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What a NP must do

Must be compatible with Basingstoke & Deane's Local Plan 2011 - 2029

May require a Sustainability Appraisal – will need to discuss with the Borough

Must take account of the protection of listed buildings, conservation area plus our Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

Must be compatible with EU Law and Human Rights Obligations



How many plans in progress?

- **Over 1,000 communities in England are producing a Neighbourhood Plan**
- **34 Neighbourhood Plans have been passed at community referendums**



How many plans in progress?

**10 plans in preparation in Basingstoke & Dean
Bramley, East Woodhay, Kingsclere,
Oakley & Deane, Overton,
Sherbourne St. John,
Sherfield-on-Loddon,
St. Mary Bourne,
Whitchurch,
Wootton St Lawrence**



The Borough's Local Plan

- **Central Government tasked all Local Planning Authorities to produce Local Plans for their areas**
- **BDBC's Local Plan has been subject to 2 public consultations**
- **Was submitted to the Secretary of State for formal examination on the 9th October**



The Borough's Local Plan

- **Basingstoke - 6,670 homes**
- **Overton – 120 homes**
- **Whitchurch – 150 homes**

Plus Neighbourhood Planning -

- **Bramley approx. 200 homes**
- **Kingsclere approx. 50 homes**
- **Oakley approx. 150 homes**
- **Overton approx. 150 homes**
- **Whitchurch approx. 150 homes**



The Borough's Local Plan

- **Only 10 units count within the current Settlement Policy Boundary**
- **Outside SPB 5 units count towards target**
- **40% affordable housing on all market housing sites**



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Kingsclere's objectives

The provision of housing, with particular regard to low cost housing within the parish boundary

The identification of potential sites for development in accordance with the Borough's Local Development Plan, taking account of the historical integrity of the village



Kingsclere's objectives

The implications for local road use and parking, in the light of any new developments

The protection of existing facilities, continued provision and addition of a variety of sport and leisure facilities, particularly for children and young people, where need has been identified



Kingsclere's objectives

All activity will take cognisance of existing relevant work on, for example, the protection of the natural environment, reduction of all forms of pollution, maintenance of footpaths, improving water flow and recycling provision.



Work to date

- **Steering group established**
- **Various training courses & seminars undertaken**
- **Presence at school & village fetes, other meetings**
- **Web site & Facebook**
- **Monthly updates in the Tower**
- **2 village questionnaires**



Work to date

- **Meetings with BDBC**
- **List of sites obtained from previous reports, local opinion**
- **Site walkabouts**
- **Contact landowners**
- **Meetings with developers, estate agents, Sentinal**
- **Engaged consultants to undertake detailed site analysis**



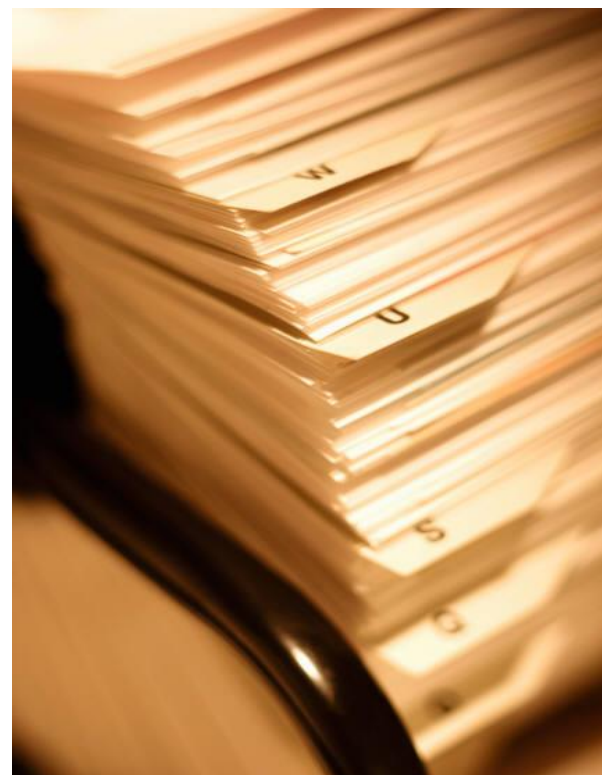
What happens next

- **Finalise evidence gathering**
- **Work up details of the plan & put draft policies/projects together**
- **Formal 6 week consultation with community**
- **Submit draft to the Borough**
- **Consult statutory consultees**



What happens next – the Independent examination

- Appointed by Borough in agreement with the PC
- Checks plan to see if it meets conditions, EU & national law
- Examiner's report makes recommendation
- May have to act on recommendations





What happens next – the Referendum

- **Localism Act requires a majority of those voting to support the Plan in a referendum.**
- **Principle that the community is in the driving seat.**
- **Referendum results are binding on local authorities.**





What we need from you!

- Add your comments to draft policies at back of hall
- Get a debate going on Facebook
- Keep checking the web www.kingsclere-np.org.uk
- Submit comments during 6 week consultation
- VOTE at referendum