

## Tysoe Parish Council Chair - Jacqui Sinclair Clerk - Kerry Finlayson parishclerk.tpc@gmail.com

Dear Parish resident

## Tysoe's Neighbourhood Plan -Why it matters

The Parish Council, through the Neighbourhood Plan Group, has produced a new draft Plan for your review. It's important that you read it and let us know what you agree with and what you don't agree with. This is your Plan for Tysoe through to 2031.

The Plan is a document that will affect everyone living in the parish, now and in the future. It is about the character of our built environment, our natural and historic resources, the views and the tranquillity. But most of all it is about development and the way in which we as a community wish to see our village expand in the future.

Stratford District Council has set no target housing number as such for Tysoe, but we are expected to contribute our share of the burden. Rather than take a defensive position and allow a developer free-for-all, your Parish Council has opted to take a proactive stance and produce a Neighbourhood Development Plan. This indicates where, and how many new developments we believe should be located, and what type of housing is most needed. Equally, it identifies boundaries outside which new housing would *not* be supported except in very special circumstances.

Once fully approved the Neighbourhood Development Plan has to be taken into account in the planning process. Without a Plan Tysoe would be highly vulnerable to opportunistic developers, there would be no safe-guards to prevent inappropriate and indiscriminate building but by having a Plan we remain in control of what happens in Tysoe.

For the last four years teams of volunteers from Tysoe have given hundreds of hours of their time in producing this document. They have held numerous consultations and meetings and have taken on board your comments, suggestions and the results of surveys. The Plan is now being circulated to every household in the Parish for your comments during a ten week period of consultation at the end of which your comments will be collated with those from Stratford District Council before the Plan is sent back to the District Council to be reviewed by an independent inspector. After that, all those on the electoral roll will be able to vote on the Plan in a parish referendum, hopefully in early 2019.

This document is how we see our future, yours and the future generation's. We need to get it right in order to safeguard the environment that we all currently enjoy. It comes with the full support of the Parish Council. Please read it carefully so that we can move confidently to the next stage. Don't miss this opportunity for making your views known.

Councillor Jacqui Sinclair, Chair, Tysoe Parish Council July 2018