

October 2015 Newsletter

Neighbourhood Plan: 2nd Draft

The 2nd draft of the Neighbourhood Plan was produced in February, by the Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group ("NPG"). Events in the village hall gave residents the opportunity to comment on the Plan. It is important that we understand it, and have the chance to contribute to what goes in it.

Efforts are being made to put more information, including the results of consultations so far, and links to other useful sites, on the Tysoe Neighbourhood Plan website. We would welcome suggestions of what you would like to see included.

New Parish Council

The election of the new Parish Council in May led to some delays in progress of the Neighbourhood Plan. New Councillors felt it was important they had a full understanding of the Plan, its aims and progress, before a 3rd draft of the Plan is published.

This 3rd Draft will include one of the most important aspects of the Plan: how decisions are to be made for potential sites for more houses in Tysoe. There are a number of ways that this selection of potential sites can be made. The Parish Council hope to make a decision on the recommendations for the most suitable option(s) in October.

The aim is for the preparations for a 3rd Draft of the Plan to start in October 2015. There will be a Parish Council Public Meeting in the Village Hall in early October, to discuss the necessary steps. The next Draft will be among the

items to be discussed. It is hoped that as many residents as possible will be able to attend. Notice of the date of the Meeting will be published as usual on the Parish Council website, and Village Notice Board.

Full consultation will then take place. We will have further opportunities to have our say, both about possible housing sites, and any other matters we want to see in the Plan.

Advice from Stratford District Council

In June an officer from Stratford District Council, one of its specialists in Neighbourhood Planning, met with Councillors and the NPG.

It was confirmed that after allowing for houses already built or planning permission granted since 2011, 55 more houses still need to be contributed by Tysoe to the overall District Plan, before 2031.

The options that might be taken in the Plan to identify appropriate sites for housing development in Tysoe were also discussed. The officer gave advice on these options, what the consequences of decisions about these might be, and what would be required of the Parish Council.

Mapping Analysis

By February 2015 a 'Mapping' analysis was being carried out by the NPG. The aim of this analysis is to produce maps of the Parish area which show sites of special interest, heritage sites, animal habitats and other important features of Tysoe. Information captured on these maps will allow a 'scoring' system, of the features that we consider most important to the area, to be established.

The residents of Tysoe will have the opportunity to comment on and contribute to this analysis. When completed, the analysis will provide us with relevant evidence when sites are considered for possible housing and any other developments in and around the village.

Tysoe as 'Local Service Village'; and Tysoe 'Conservation Areas'

The NPG is looking at the question of what makes up the 'Local Service Village' of Tysoe. Ought it to include Lower Tysoe? This is an important factor in deciding where housing developments might take place. A paper will be produced and published to help us decide about this, before being put to the Parish Council for a decision.

A review is also taking place to help us decide if the Conservation Areas of Tysoe might be extended, for example, to include Lower Tysoe. A paper will be produced and published about this too, for consultation, and a Parish Council decision.

We hope that Newsletters like this will be a useful addition to the formal meetings and published Minutes of the Parish Council, and NPG. Please let us have your comments. Comments can be made through the Neighbourhood Plan website (www.tysoenp.com). Or you may prefer to write to us at the Parish Council, addressed to the Parish Clerk, Jane Millward.

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