# **Neighbourhood Planning**

Discussion with South Hinksey Parish Council - March 2023

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## Purpose of todays discussion









Start to get to know one another

Discuss your aims and expectations

Start to give you the information you need

Discuss how we could work together and where you can get further support





Your aims and expectations

> What interests you about neighbourhood planning?





District Council

# **Plan Making**

The planning system should be genuinely plan-led. Succinct and upto-date plans should provide a positive vision for the future of each area; a framework for addressing housing needs and other economic, social and environmental priorities; and a platform for local people to shape their surroundings.

Paragraph 15 - National Planning Policy Framework





## **Development Plan**



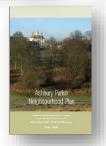
































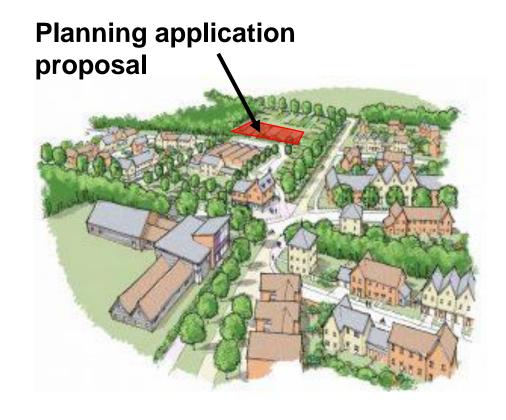




Listening Learning Leading

# Determining planning applications

- The starting point for making a decision is the relevant policies in the development plan which includes made neighbourhood plans.
- Planning involves comparing the benefits of a proposed development with any potential harm it may cause.
- Developments are not often entirely without harm or entirely without benefit, therefore the decision making process involves identifying the harm and identifying the benefits.









Social benefits

Provide community facilities

Impact on biodiversity

Loss of open space

Provide housing

Impact on character



The decision will be balanced giving appropriate weight to relevant policies and other material considerations

Economic benefits



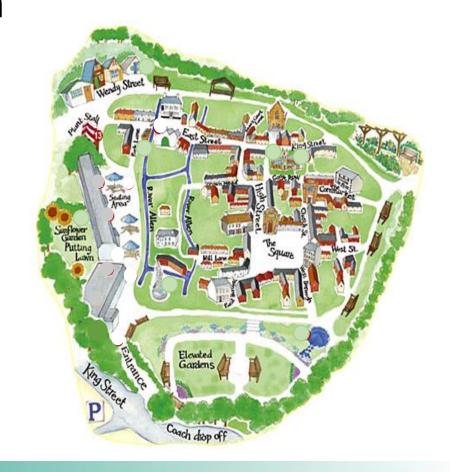


# How communities have been successful in adding value through neighbourhood planning

Neighbourhood plans are an excellent tool for communities to add local detail.

Communities can utilise their local knowledge to produce evidence to fill policy gaps and add detail to the Local Plan policies.

Policies informed by local knowledge and a better understanding of local circumstances, issues and opportunities can deliver better outcomes.









#### Legend

Risk of flooding

Designated heritage assets

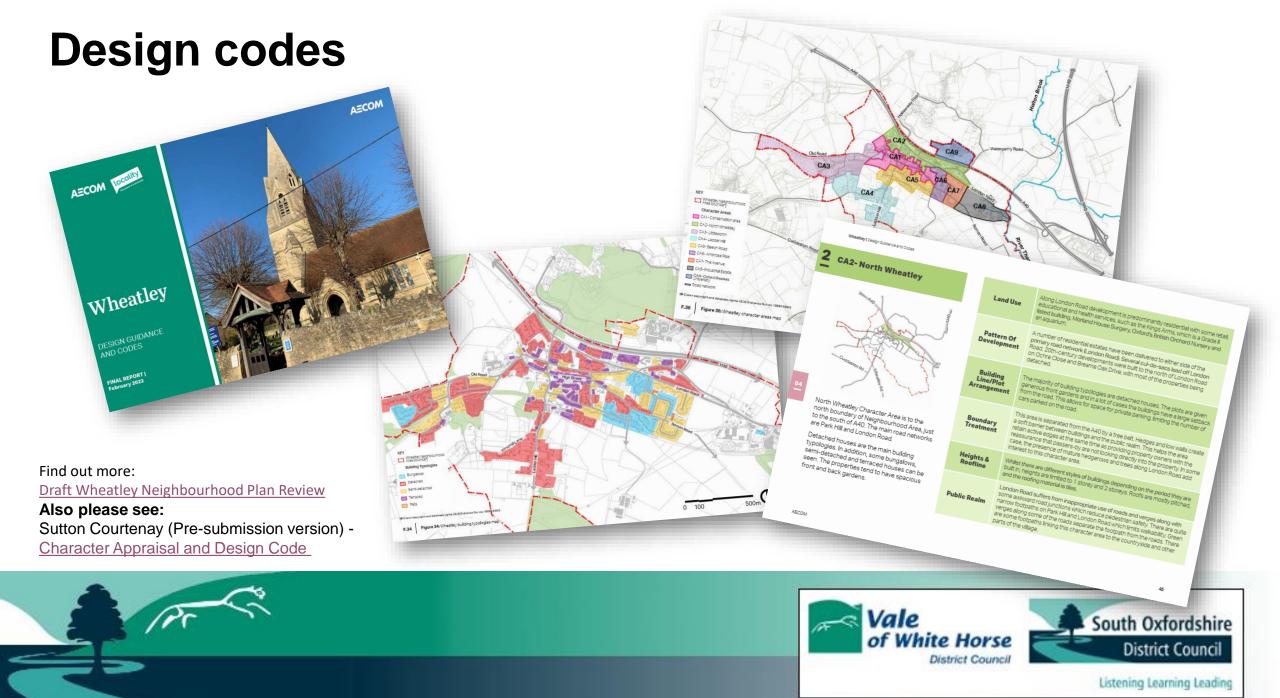
Biodiversity area



Conservation area

Now with neighbourhood development plan





#### The process and weight of neighbourhood plans **Full weight** Significant Limited 8. Post referendu 7. Decision to m/Plan proceed to made referendum Examination 5. **Publicity** 4. Plan Period **Submission** 3. Presubmission 2. Plan Consultation Drafting 1. Area Designation **Key points to consider** stage of preparation of the plan the extent to which there are unresolved objections to emerging policies the degree of consistency of the policies in the emerging plan with national planning policy

### Support available

Groups are able to obtain financial and technical support from central Government – this usually covers the preparation costs of most neighbourhood plans and addresses some technical burdens.

District council covers the cost of examination and referendum

#### The District Council also provides:

- Advice and guidance throughout the process
- A named lead officer offering support
- Advice on government grand funding and support available
- Advice on community engagement
- Guidance on statutory requirements
- Advice on what evidence is required to help you write your plan
- Advice on your draft neighbourhood plan to ensure it meets the basic conditions





# Comments and questions?

