



# *Otterton Neighbourhood Plan*

Briefing for Parish Assembly

10 April 2017

# *Development Plans - Background*

- Hierarchy of Planning
  - National Planning and Policy Framework (March 2012)
  - Local Plan 2015-2031 (EDDC January 2016)
  - **Neighbourhood Plan** (Otterton, ...)
- Other Plans:
  - Greater Exeter Strategic Plan – GESP (under construction)
  - Devon CC Minerals and Waste Plan
  - Villages Plan (EDDC, under construction)
  - Gypsy and Traveller Plan (ditto)
  - Developer Contributions Plan
  - Cranbrook Future Development Plan

# *Neighbourhood Plans*



- Introduced under the Localism Act 2011
  - *New freedoms and flexibilities for local government*
  - *New rights and powers for communities and individuals*
  - *Reform to make the planning system more democratic and more effective*
  - *Reform to ensure that decisions about housing are taken locally*

# *In Otterton ...*



- Village Design Statement - adopted in 2004
  - Guidance rather than statutory effect
  - Much background material still relevant
- Neighbourhood designated in 2013 as ‘the parish’
- Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
  - Formed in November 2016
  - Will run with plan until completion

# *What could be in a Neighbourhood Plan?*

- Vision and Objectives
- Parish Businesses
- Community Facilities
- Education
- Worship
- Leisure and Tourism
- Development of the Parish
  - Built-up Area Boundary
  - Delivering affordable housing
- Getting Around the Parish
  - Footpaths, Bridleways and Cycle paths
  - Roads and Parking
  - Public Transport
- Natural Environment
  - Landscape, local countryside character and biodiversity
  - Local Green Spaces
  - Allotments
  - Other Green Spaces
- Built Heritage and Design
  - Protecting and enhancing the built heritage
  - Design and built quality
  - Infill developments and extensions
- Flood Management and Protection

# *The Plan for the Plan!*

- Village Questionnaire This month
- Responses by early June
- Draft Plan issued early October
- Consultation period October -  
December
- EDDC Consultation & Examination January 2018 –  
mid April
- Village Referendum mid May
- Plan adoption early June

# *Contact Us:*



- Email: [OttertonNPSG@gmail.com](mailto:OttertonNPSG@gmail.com)
- Facebook: [OtterNP](#)
- Website: [www.otterton.info](http://www.otterton.info) (hopefully!)

## Questions?