

Neighbourhood Plan Update for MPC – 26/8/26

Status Update

- Summer holidays, plus the release of CDC's Regulation 19 for the revised Local Plan, have delayed the plan by 2 to 3 weeks.
- The first draft of a plan structure has been completed and reviewed with Mark Harrison from CDC. Mark's feedback will be incorporated into the plan.
- The plan currently comprises 4 Themes, 9 Sections, 17 Policies, and 9 Community Actions.
- A draft version of a Village Survey has been reviewed. Edits are required and it is planned to run the Survey over a period of at least 6 weeks from early September to late October. The survey will be available online and on paper. Village groups are being asked to help promote the survey and personal support will be available for those who need it.
- Creation and execution of the survey will require some budget. This should not exceed £1k to cover printing etc.
- Although the plan is still in the early stages of creation it is developed enough to be reviewed by a professional planning consultant for initial feedback on style and content. The Steering Group will need to work with such a consultant in order to produce the final version of the plan and the time is considered right for choosing our partner. £4k is requested to be allocated from reserves for this activity.
- One other development of note is the discovery of a historic water system which the group is aiming to register as a non-Designated Heritage Asset (NDHA). This water system may have significant impact on current and future planning applications.