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Leaflet delivered to all households in parish

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What is Neighbourhood Planning?

'Neighbourhood planning gives communities **direct power** to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and **shape the development and growth** of their local area. They are able to choose where they want new homes, shops and offices to be built, **have their say** on what those new buildings should look like and what infrastructure should be provided, and grant planning permission for the new buildings they want to see go ahead. Neighbourhood planning provides a **powerful set of tools** for local people to ensure that they get the **right types of development** for their community where the ambition of the neighbourhood is aligned with the strategic needs and priorities of the wider local area.'\*

Come along to a launch meeting and help set the agenda for the Neighbourhood Plan for Ottery St Mary Parish.  
Be involved from the beginning!

\* Definition of Neighbourhood Planning from National Planning Policy Guidance (Reference ID: 41-001-20140306)

[Article in West Hill Messenger August 2015](#)

## **Neighbourhood Plan**

The Neighbourhood Plan covers the whole of Ottery St Mary parish, and will have separate sections for each of the villages, including, of course, West Hill. The Neighbourhood Plan will guide future development, and is about the use of land – for housing, new facilities, employment, and other issues like the environment, trees, landscape, transport. It sits alongside the Local Plan, and has real powers – local planning authorities and planning inspectors must make their decisions based on what it says.

## **WE NEED YOUR HELP**

### **The Plan must reflect what the community wants**

### **VISIONING AND OBJECTIVES MEETING Friday 18th SEPTEMBER WEST HILL VILLAGE HALL 7-9pm**

Involvement of the whole community is key – residents, businesses, community organisations. We need to know what issues are important to you, and what you think should be included in the Plan.

We also need people who are able to help in the process in any way – from delivering leaflets and questionnaires, to professional skills like graphic designers, photographers, ecologists, arboriculturalists, historians, architects, farmers, planners, website designers. But most of all we need your views.

I am taking the lead for West Hill, so please contact me in the first instance (contact details below), or Su Graham at Ottery St Mary Town Council [su.graham@otterystmary-tc.gov.uk](mailto:su.graham@otterystmary-tc.gov.uk) The Town Council website has a page dedicated to the Neighbourhood Plan: [www.otterystmary-tc.gov.uk](http://www.otterystmary-tc.gov.uk)

Margaret Hall

## Consultation Questionnaire

### Ottery St Mary Parish Neighbourhood Plan Public Consultation September 2015

We want to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan to guide and influence development that occurs in our Parish over the period to 2031. As a first step in this process we need your input to identify the many great things about the Parish and the things that could be improved to make the Parish a better place to live, work and visit.



Please complete this short form to help us decide what the focus and aims of the Neighbourhood Plan should be. (Continue over page if necessary)

**1. What things do you like best about the Parish of Ottery St Mary?**

**2. What things do you dislike about the Parish of Ottery St Mary?**

**3. What in your opinion would improve the Parish of Ottery St Mary the most?**

Continued from page 1 or any other comments you would like to make.

**(Optional)**

**Name:**

**Address:**

**Age range:** under 18 18-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65-74 75+

**Email Address** (if you would like to be kept informed of the Neighbourhood Plan or to be involved):

Your details will be confidential and will not be shared with any other party

Thank you for your time. Please see the website [www.otterystmarytc.gov](http://www.otterystmarytc.gov) and/or the Facebook page to be kept up to date on the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Please complete this form and return it by 27th November 2015 at the latest to:  
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or by email to: [osmtc@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:osmtc@hotmail.co.uk)

Press Release October 2015

**NEWS RELEASE FOR:**

- **THE OTTERY GAZETTE**
- **THE TIPTON TIMES**
- **THE ALFINGTON PUMP**
- **WEST HILL MESSENGER**

**BY THE OTTERY ST MARY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN WORKING GROUP**

**NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN STARTS TO TAKE SHAPE**

A neighbourhood plan that will help to inform and shape development in Ottery St Mary Parish is a step nearer following public consultations at West Hill, Ottery Town, Tipton St John and Escot, and at a special event with the pupils of The Kings School.

Ottery Mayor, Glyn Dobson, said, "I would like to thank everyone who came along to one of the September consultation events and gave us their views and ideas about how they would like to see our communities develop over the next 16 years up to 2031."

The next few months will be a very busy time for the Ottery Neighbourhood Plan Working Group made up of local residents and councillors as they carry out supporting research and start to develop possible ideas about how to enable developments that will provide what local people want in their communities, how the local economy and community services can be sustained and developed, and how the precious local environment can be protected.

Next steps include a public meeting in January/February 2016 to explore initial ideas and thoughts towards developing the plan.

**NOTE TO EDITORS:**

East Devon District Council agreed in January 2015 to designate the whole Parish (from West Hill to Wiggaton and Fenny Bridges to Tipton St John) as the area for a neighbourhood plan.

Mayor Glyn Dobson is available for further comment. Please contact the Town Council Clerk, Mrs Christine McIntyre, for further details Tel. 01404 812252.

## West Hill Messenger October 2015

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Public meetings across the whole of Ottery St Mary parish have taken place during September. The real work now begins with collecting people's ideas and reviewing the evidence base that will be needed, helped by our planning consultants, LDA Design. There will be further consultation events once this is collated, and again once the Plan is in draft form.

If anyone was unable to attend one of the meetings, there is still time to contribute your views. Contact me by phone or email (details below).

The Town Council website has a page dedicated to the Neighbourhood Plan: [www.otterystmary-tc.gov.uk](http://www.otterystmary-tc.gov.uk) There is also a Facebook page – "Ottery St Mary Parish Neighbourhood Plan".

## Alfington Pump

From the Autumn 2015 issue

### ALFINGTON ARTIST DRAWS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN LOGO - by Dave Moss

Accomplished Alfington artist Phil Creek was called into action recently when the Ottery Parish Neighbourhood Plan Working Group found itself needing a logo to be produced from a hurriedly sketched idea - in double quick time. After considering various locally suggested options, the Group agreed to develop a suitable theme from a promising last minute sketch based around an Otter, submitted by a supportive member of the public.

Phil Creek responded to the call for help at short notice, and quickly transformed the idea into a high quality drawing, neatly capturing the Parish's mix of town and country locations which will be at the heart of the finished plan. The result is already appearing on neighbourhood plan documentation. Phil told the Parish Pump: "I was delighted to be asked, and very pleased to contribute my skills to an important local development."



Work on the Neighbourhood Plan is progressing. If you would like to be involved, or have comments and suggestions on how the Ottery Parish should develop in the future, your views are very welcome. You can get in touch with the working group via the Neighbourhood Plan button on the town council website at [www.otterystmary-tc.gov.uk](http://www.otterystmary-tc.gov.uk) A short questionnaire is available in this section of the site seeking views on various key topics which will help take the plan forward.