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- The News & Views collection points
- · The Annex. Ticehurst
- Local Public Houses
- The three Village Churches

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TNP Steering Group

Steering Group members will also be happy to talk through the plan and discuss any feedback or questions you may have.

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To give your feedback

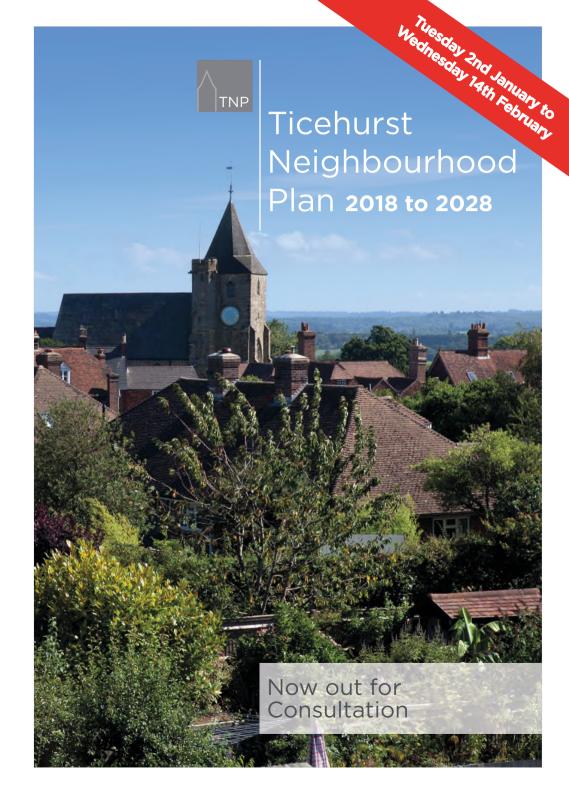
- Collect a form from Ticehurst Village Store or from The Annex (open Tuesday am & Thursday pm)
- On-line at: www.ticehurstnp.org
- E-mail: participate@ticehurstnp.org
- Drop-in Event and Exhibition at Ticehurst Village Hall:

Thursday 1st February between 12 noon and 9pm, with presentations at 2pm, 4pm, 6pm and 8pm.

Friday 2nd February between 9am and 1pm, with presentations at 10am and 12 noon.

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Please return your completed form to various collection points thoughout The Parish.





Consultation period:

Tuesday 2nd January - Wednesday 14th February 2018.

In compliance with Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

Go to **www.ticehurstnp.org** for more information.

Ticehurst Neighbourhood Plan Background

The Ticehurst Neighbourhood Plan for the whole parish of Ticehurst is now out for public consultation.

It is Ticehurst's response to the Localism Act (2011) which enables Town and Parish Councils to have a greater say on local planning matters. Planning is an essential part of protecting the character of our local area. Effective planning can reflect the needs of the local community.

Neighbourhood Planning gives the Parish Council the power to develop a plan to meet these needs. The Plan has to adhere to the Rother District Council Core Strategy (2015-2028) and other legislation.

Ticehurst Neighbourhood Plan (TNP) is the product of over two years' community consultation and evidence gathering by the Steering Group. This group comprises local parish councillors and other voluntary members of the community. Production and administration costs have been covered by small grants from the Parish Council and from Central Government.

It is now up to you, the local community, to decide whether the vision, objectives and policies in the Ticehurst Neighbourhood Plan reflect ourlocal priorities.



Evidence and Community Consultation

The steering group has reviewed a range of evidence and formulated the following policies for the Neighbourhood Plan:

- Rural
- Employment
- Housing
- Social and Community Infrastructure



At every step, we have tried to consult with residents, community groups and businesses. This has included:

- PLACE assessment and Visioning event in each of the three villages January 2016
- Two-day Design Forum, held in Ticehurst Village Hall March 2016
- Engaging with local groups, businesses and service providers
- Business survey over the summer of 2016
- Consultation events in November and December 2016
- Presence at local events during 2016 and 2017 e.g. Ticehurst Village Assembly and Ticehurst Village Fete
- Short household survey on affordable housing and employment in September 2017
- Neighbourhood Plan bulletins in the local News and Views magazine.



How long do we have to respond to the Draft Plan?

There now follows a formal (minimum six-week) consultation period under the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations (2012) to give you the chance to contribute to the plan before it is formally submitted to the Local Planning Authority, Rother District Council.

You are invited to submit your feedback on the Ticehurst Neighbourhood Plan. All comments received will help us to improve the quality of the plan, ensuring that it meets our local needs and development priorities.

All replies must be received not later than Wednesday 14th February 2018 at 5.00 pm.



What will happen to the feedback?

Your feedback will help the Steering Group better understand local support for the Draft TNP. Your comments will help to revise TNP before it is submitted to Rother District Council later in the year for formal scrutiny.

Each comment will be carefully considered and documented in a TNP Community Consultation Statement, together with how each comment was addressed.



Does the Neighbourhood Plan carry any weight?

Yes. Once adopted, or 'made', Neighbourhood Plans become part of Rother District Council's Local Development Framework (LDF) as a 'material consideration'.

This means that local residents' views must be taken into account as presented in this plan - which together with Government policy, will be used to manage development in Ticehurst Parish until 2028.

We want you to feel this is your plan. We look forward to hearing from you so that we can make sure TNP reflects priorities across the whole neighbourhood area. If adopted, TNP will be used to assess future planning applications and development in the area.