

Ticehurst Neighbourhood News No. 23 – June 2018

Ticehurst Neighbourhood Plan

We are continuing to go through both the statutory, individual and other comments and suggestions on the draft plan made in response to Regulation 14. It is a long process, punctuated by holiday breaks and family and other commitments. The Parish Council will also be considering the items in detail and deciding which will be need to be built into any future annual plan for the Parish.



We are currently:-

- Improving the design guidance.
- Rewriting some of the policies that needed improvement including the policy on Green Spaces.
- Redrafting the site assessment document to ensure we have considered all the evidence and applied the same criteria throughout. This document will be circulated to all the site owners once it has been approved by our Steering Group at the end of the month.
- Obtaining better maps from Rother District Council for the final document.

People have asked us if the resurfacing of the B2099, which is urgently needed, has been delayed because of the redevelopment plans for the Village Centre. East Sussex Highways informed us that the work intended to be carried out last year was delayed because of the repairs that needed to be done to the sewers and the works have now been rescheduled for April 2019. East Sussex Highways are aware of our project but said they would not delay urgent works for this reason. John Barnes, District Councillor was asked to make further enquiries at the last Parish Council meeting and he will be reporting back to the next Parish Council meeting, if he has any further news.

The Village Square

Sadly the second Chestnut tree could not be saved and was taken down over the May Bank Holiday. The roots of this tree were intruding into the Well and had to be cut away. Rot was developing through the trunk.

Works to repair the Well are progressing. The stone surround for the well is now in place. The electrics and pump have been installed. The Well now needs to be capped with a glass cover and a wooden seat. The paving surrounding the Well will then be levelled and the tarmac loosened to see if this will improve the health of the third and last chestnut tree. The Pump House will then be repaired and repainted. We hope it will not be long before people will again be able to sit down to wait for the bus!

Ticehurst Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

