



## **UPDATE 13 March 2019**

The formal consultation on the Willoughby Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) ended on 10 March 2019. The Steering Group wishes to thank everyone who contributed to the consultation. Your interest and time in doing so has been vital in ensuring that the NDP really reflects everyone's views and in gaining more ideas on how to improve the plan further.

Around 320 letters and representation forms were hand delivered, posted or emailed to residents, businesses, local groups and organisations, non-resident landowners and statutory and voluntary consultation bodies.

In total, there were 78 respondents - 54 residents, 6 local groups and organisations and 18 statutory consultation bodies including Barby & Onley, Braunston and Grandborough Parish Councils. Almost all supported the NDP and some comments were made as to how we could improve the plan further.

## **Next Steps**

### Responses Tables

We will produce Responses Tables for different groups of respondents. These tables will contain all the representations received and put forward proposed amendments to the Draft NDP. The revised NDP - the Submission Neighbourhood Development Plan - will then be submitted to Rugby Borough Council (RBC) for the next, and final, consultation.

### The Submission NDP and other evidence

The Submission NDP will be accompanied by the documents which already form part of the evidence base (English Heritage Advice Note, Flood Risk Report, Final SEA Screening Determination and the Planning Policy Assessment).

In addition, we will submit two other documents.

1. A Consultation Statement which describes all that has been done to engage local people in developing the Neighbourhood Plan and to publicise the three consultations held since November 2017.
2. A Basic Conditions Statement which describes how the NDP meets a set of basic conditions. These conditions have to be met before a Neighbourhood Development Plan can be put to a referendum of local people and be made (approved).

### Timescales

The Steering Group's current plan is as follows:

1. The Parish Council sends the Submission NDP and other documents to RBC by the end of April 2019.
2. The Submission NDP goes to Cabinet on 4 June 2019 for approval to consult.
3. RBC holds the final consultation from 4 June to 17 July 2019.
4. RBC sends the Submission Plan and consultation representations to an Independent Examiner by the end of July 2019.

However, there may be a delay in sending the NDP to the Examiner because RBC has still not received the Inspector's report about the Local Plan and are unsure about when this may happen. We will keep everyone up-to-date with any revised timescales.

Further information on the Rugby Borough Council Local Plan can be found at [https://www.rugby.gov.uk/info/20004/planning\\_strategy](https://www.rugby.gov.uk/info/20004/planning_strategy).