

HORSMONDEN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Preparations are well underway for the Horsmonden Development Exhibition which will be open in the Village Hall during the following hours:

Saturday 6th October 10am – 2pm

Sunday 7th October 10am – 1pm

Monday 8th October 3pm – 8.30 pm

This drop-in event is designed to stimulate further ideas, views and concerns from you – our community. Our neighbourhood plan cannot prevent or refuse housing developments, but it can influence density, type and mix to accommodate future anticipated needs of the village demographic (for example, starter homes or sheltered housing). Our neighbourhood plan can also influence style and location and consider infrastructure and the impact upon our school, recreation areas, business community, surgery and other amenities. Additionally it can consider the environment, areas of special or historic interest, communication infrastructure and the impact of developments on traffic and transport.

It is vital that we protect, as far as we can, the character and uniqueness of our village. We do need to understand how you feel

about living in Horsmonden and the way it should develop. We very much hope you will call in to the Village Hall – no RSVP required – and find out more, meet with members of the Steering Group and make sure your views are heard. A questionnaire will be launched to coincide with the Exhibition, which will also be available online. At the same time the launch of the HNP website (www.horsmondennp.co.uk) will help ensure everyone is kept up to date.

The neighbourhood plan is our opportunity to influence the future of the Parish. Please come to the Exhibition and engage in this. The Steering Group hope to establish working groups in the autumn, to consider specific areas of interest, so please do make sure you get involved in the areas you are passionate about.

We look forward to seeing you on 6th, 7th or 8th October.

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Chair, HNP Steering Group

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