



Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Statement

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1 Introduction

This Consultation Statement has been prepared to fulfil the legal obligations of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012, Section 15(2). Part 5 of the Regulations set out what a Consultation Statement should contain:

- a) Details of the persons and bodies consulted about the proposed neighbourhood plan;
- b) Explains how they were consulted;
- c) Summarises the main issues and concerns raised by the person consulted;
- d) Describes how these issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant, addressed in the proposed neighbourhood development plan.

2 Aims of Consultation

The aims of the Ettington & Fulready Neighbourhood Plan consultation process were:

- a) To maximise the opportunities for the communities of Ettington, Fulready and neighbouring communities (Ettington benefits from a good local shop which has recently won an award two pubs and a large modern community centre with excellent facilities all of which are used more broadly than by the immediate community), as well as local businesses of which there are a number, input to the Neighbourhood Planning process;
- b) To ensure this broad consultation took part at critical points in the process;
- c) To ensure the consultation process used a variety of approaches and techniques in order to maximise community and business input;
- d) To provide feedback to the community and local businesses.

3 Background

Ettington Parish Council first began to consider the benefits of a Neighbourhood Plan in 2013 and it was agreed at their meeting in July 2013 that this should be progressed by holding a consultation event in September 2013 the purpose of which would be to “inform and to convene a steering group”.

A Parish Plan had been developed by the Parish Council some years ago.

4 Consultations Undertaken

The following provides a summary of consultation to date:

Date	Activity	Brief Description of Outcome
18 Oct 2013	Open, 3 hour, drop in session to : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide information on the benefits of a Neighbourhood Plan • to consult on opinion in respect of progressing a Neighbourhood Plan • to obtain names of people who would be interested in forming a Steering Group and/or provide other forms of support • to develop a vision and objectives for the plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent attendance • Overwhelming positive response to development of a Neighbourhood Plan • List of people wishing to be more involved in its development • Formation of Ettington and Fulready Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group (formally recognised at dd/mm/yy of Ettington Parish Council)
Summer 2014	BBQ to provide the community with an opportunity to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • meet members of the Steering Group • to ask questions • to give opinions on any matter connected to the Neighbourhood Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greater community coherence • Increased understanding by the community • Information sharing
Dec 14 – Feb 15	Neighbourhood Plan (area designation) submitted to Stratford District Council following which they undertook the statutory consultation.	Confirmation from Stratford District Council that the area designation was approved (15 March 2015)
April/May 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Poster detailing approach to distribution/return of Questionnaire (appendix 1) prominently displayed throughout the Parish and sent to Neighbouring Parish Councils with a request that they display. • Questionnaire delivered to all households and made available on www.ettington.org 	

Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes of Neighbouring Plan Steering Group made available on www.ettington.org Regular progress reports submitted to Ettington Parish Council 	
To be done	Development of a Website	

5 Who Was Consulted?

A number of individuals and organisation have been consulted at various stages of the development of the Ettington and Fulready Neighbourhood Plan as follows:

Stage	Consultees
Pre Steering Group development	The communities of Ettington and Fulready
Area Designation	Stratford District Council consulted a number of statutory bodies during a six week consultation following which the Area was agreed.
Questionnaire	The communities of Ettington, Fulready and neighbouring parishes.

6 Summary of Issues and Concerns Raised During the Consultation

7 Conclusions: To be updated