

# Barrowden and Wakerley Neighbourhood Plan Group

## Report to the Barrowden Parish Council – July 2018

### Pre-Submission Consultation

The Group has analysed the 57 comments from Rutland CC and East Northants DC in detail and have agreed the response for the final version of the Plan. Gordon Brown has also had a detailed meeting subsequently with Colin Dunigan and Rachel Armstrong (who is covering Colin's role during the recruitment of his replacement). There are no issues from RCC with regard to the Affordable Housing policy, all that is required is the plan reflects that Drift Close would be the initial site for development of Affordable Homes because of the two existing plots on the site and that it would not preclude other sites in the future although the preferences of the residents would be noted.

A further spreadsheet has been created with all the other comments from residents, etc., with a total of 124 comments. A meeting of the sub group of the NPG will be held during week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> July to review the comments and agree the responses.

All the responses will then be confirmed by the full NPG at a business meeting on either 16<sup>th</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup> July. The Plan will then be amended and prepared for the submission to RCC in due course along with the other documents, i.e. Basic Conditions Statement, Consultation Statement and the Strategic Environmental Assessment which are in the process of being prepared.

### RCC Support

Sadly, Colin Dunigan has moved on from RCC to take a role in urban design in West Suffolk. Rachel Armstrong of the RCC Planning Policy department will cover Colin's role while a replacement is recruited. It is hoped that the replacement for Colin will be in place by September.

### Programme

One of Colin Dunigan's last pieces of work was to review the programme through to the referendum. Councillors will recall once the Plan is submitted to RCC for the final statutory consultation the programme is out of the control of the NPG. We are currently aiming to get all the documents to RCC for review by Cabinet in October. Thereafter the programme looks like

Submit to RCC	End September
Regulation 16 Consultation (6 weeks)	November/December
Examiners Report	February 2019
Issue of final Plan document	April 2019
Referendum	June 2019
Plan "Made"	June 2019

Because of the Local Elections next May it will not be possible to have the referendum during the months of April or May due to purdah and election resources.