

Tiverton Neighbourhood Plan

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Work on developing the Tiverton Neighbourhood Plan (The Plan) was re-started at the beginning of 2019. We have ended 2019 on a high note. We now have a published draft of The Plan, **which is on the new web site** ...

www.tivertonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk

This version of the draft Plan includes an updated Vision Statement for what Tiverton should be like in 2033 and incorporates a section on sustainability. The draft Plan is a result of the work of the Focus Groups (FGs) and input from other consultees. Not least it is as a result of the hard work by our consultant Alison Eardley.

The Housing FG in particular has been very productive under the leadership of Sally Chapman. Housing is one of the key topics in The Plan, and the one that is most related to planning matters. Bear in mind that The Plan can be only about planning, policy, although it can make recommendations for non-policy actions, which it will do.

We had a successful meeting of FG members and others in November 2019. The presentation used for this meeting is on the web site. It covers the key elements of the draft Plan.

The Town Council has been briefed throughout 2019 and the Town Council Planning Committee was briefed on 2 Dec 2019.

We are grateful for the financial support of the Town Council, as well as finance from Government grants. We also thank the Town Council's staff for their support, and for the help and encouragement from District Council officers.

Government grants have also funded consultancy work on a Housing Needs Assessment (HNA) - available on the web site - and Design Guidance, which will be available in draft form in March 2020.

2020 will continue to be busy. There will be efforts needed on finalising The Plan, gathering evidence for the policy proposals, making arrangements for the public consultation, a formal inspection of The Plan and finally a public vote on it.

It is really important that the community of Tiverton is fully engaged. Please let us have your thoughts - using these channels:

- nplan@tivertontowncouncil.gov.uk.
- Through the feedback page of the web site.
- By letter to TNP, Town Hall, St Andrew's Street, Tiverton, EX16 6 PG