## WHE TCHURCH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

We haven't been in touch for a while but we have been busy on behalf of the village. We are really encouraged to see that many other villages in Bucks are pushing to complete Neighbourhood Plans.

Congratulations to the residents of Cuddington who, on June 30<sup>th</sup>, overwhelmingly voted in favour of their Neighbourhood Plan by 173 for and just 11 against. Meanwhile Granborough is getting very close to putting its Neighbourhood Plan to a village wide referendum.

Exciting times and we want to be close behind.

We have come a long way since our last update :

- Housing Needs survey completed
- Housing Design Guide completed
- Greens Spaces recommendations completed
- Special views recommendations completed
- Settlement Boundary completed
- Strategic & Environmental assessment near completion

Most significantly the first draft of the proposed Whitchurch Neighbourhood Plan was received just days ago and is now under review. The Group have a lot of work to do to turn the draft into a version suitable for review by the independent inspector but it's really exciting to have finally reached this stage.

First face to face discussions with Buckinghamshire planning have now taken place and the Whitchurch Neighbourhood Plan, when voted for by residents, will become incorporated into the Buckinghamshire Local Plan and local planning regulations.

The group are in the process of finalising site recommendations for inclusion in the Neighbourhood Plan based on the evidence built up and your feedback from our consultation meetings. You will have the deciding vote when the Whitchurch Neighbourhood Plan is put to the village in our very own referendum. Timetable to follow.

When we embarked on this process there were eleven sites put forward by landowners for consideration. Without a Whitchurch Neighbourhood Plan all of those sites, plus those that didn't put land forward first time, could make an application to build and as a village we would remain in the endless cycle of objecting to planning applications but being powerless. We can do something about that.

Your Village, Your Neighbourhood Plan, Your Vote.