#### LONG WITTTENHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

#### SECOND PUBLIC CONSULTATION

#### **Update on Neighbourhood Plan process**

We received a lot of feedback on the initial plan from both residents and statutory consultees. In particular we received feedback from South Oxfordshire District Council (SODC) suggesting that some of our policies were not robust and could be open to challenge. We have had an ongoing discussion with SODC to iron out these difficulties but these discussions have been prolonged due to staffing difficulties at SODC. We have now taken into account all the feedback received and have amended the plan to reflect this feedback. Our overall aim for the future of the village remains the same but we have amended the strategy to achieve this. Although we are not required to consult for a second time, we feel it is important to get your views on the revised plan.

The new plan will now achieve our aims as part of a two stage process. The Neighbourhood Plan (NP) establishes the principle that we will build a community hub (school, pre-school and village hall) as well as some housing to fund the hub. The NP no longer identifies any sites for development. The second stage will be to use a Community Right to Build Order or planning application to bring forward the plan if a viable site can be identified.

There have been amendments to some of the other policies, following advice from planning experts, but our desire to improve parking, traffic flows and a village green in the High Street remain.

#### What happens next?

The Plan and accompanying documents are available on our website <u>www.longwittenham.com</u> (Direct link: <u>https://www.dropbox.com/sh/ybf3c64euev46hu/AAAk3sTbLl2koCWEw8Z\_L2CFa?dl=0</u>).

The documents include the final draft of the plan and appendices. The public notice explaining how to feedback your views can be found below.

## There will be a meeting in Long Wittenham Village Hall on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 1930 to discuss these proposals

Peter Rose. Parish Councillor

### PUBLIC NOTICE

# LONG WITTENHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – PRE-SUBMISSION CONSULTATION

As part of the requirements of the Localism Act 2011 and Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Long Wittenham Parish Council is undertaking pre-submission consultation on the Long Wittenham Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan.

We are hereby seeking your views on the Draft Plan.

The plan can be viewed here:

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/ybf3c64euev46hu/AAAk3sTbLI2koCWEw8Z\_L2CFa?dl=0.

A hard copy is available to view by application to Peter Rose, Abacus, Fieldside, Long Wittenham, Abingdon, Oxon OX14 4QP (Telephone 01865 407603). The pre-submission consultation commenced on 6 January 2017 and the closing date for representations is the 16 February 2017 at 23.59.

Representations can either be emailed to Peter Rose at pwrose@gmail.com or sent by post to: Peter Rose, Abacus, Fieldside, Long Wittenham, Abingdon, Oxon OX14 4QP