

Peterstow Neighbourhood Development Plan Update

The Neighbourhood development plan has progressed a lot in the last 3 months. For those of you who came to see us at the Peterstow fete, it was good to see you – thanks. If you couldn't make it, we had a display of the progress we are making. We also sought feedback on adding a business objective to our vision and objectives. We



are delighted to say we got 100% positive feedback for this, so it is now included.

Our call for sites, which closed on 20th June, was a success with a number of representations being received.

We are now in the process of reviewing these and our independent consultant is assessing them against the parish wishes, Herefordshire Council policies (primarily their "Core Strategy") and planning regulations.

We have also met with Herefordshire Council Neighbourhood Planning Team to share thoughts and ideas and keep them up to date with our progress.

The plan itself is now in its provisional first draft stage. It's not ready to share with everyone yet, but is making good progress. We will keep working on it and hope to have something we can share towards the end of the year.

In the next few months, we will be finalising the housing sites we wish to propose, defining the settlement boundary for the parish and preparing the first draft of the plan. The plan then needs to be reviewed and adopted by the Parish Council before we enter a period of consultation with many people, including statutory bodies such as Herefordshire Council, the Environment Agency, Highways, England and so on – but most importantly, we will check that we are still delivering what the people of the parish want – we will consult with you. We will make the draft plan available to you and will hold a public meeting similar to the last one, for you to review the plan. We will publicise this nearer the time.

The Peterstow Parish Council website (www.peterstowparishcouncil.org.uk) is kept up to date with all the developments of the plan. You can see the full parish survey results, the vision and objectives and details of all the meetings that take place (which you are welcome to attend).

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Chair of the Steering Committee