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Burntwood Neighbourhood Plan Public Consultation Update

At its meeting on 25th July Burntwood Town Council approved a consultation draft of the Burntwood Neighbourhood Plan. Local residents will now have the opportunity to have a final say on the Plan before it becomes formally adopted.

Chairman of the Burntwood Neighbourhood Plan Task and Finish Group, Councillor Steve Norman said:

"I contacted Lichfield District Council Planning Officers in May as soon as I was re-appointed Chairman (after a four-year enforced absence) to ask them to help us process the Neighbourhood Plan as quickly as they could. They said they would, and they have kept their promise. I would like to thank the whole Neighbourhood Plan Committee which includes representatives from BAG and the community, for their work during this period.

Our first meeting was in June 2014 but now we have reached the stage where members of the public - and particularly organisations and groups within the Parish boundary – can have a formal say on the Plan before it is considered by an Independent Inspector.

The Neighbourhood Plan has to comply with the District Local Plan and so cannot alter the Green Belt boundary or contradict National Planning Policy, but it will give us all more say in future development and also extra money for infrastructure when finally agreed in a referendum."

The public consultation exercise, which is being managed by Lichfield District Council, formally begins on 9th August 2019 and ends on 20th September 2019. The Neighbourhood Plan and details of how to submit comments will be available on the websites of Lichfield District Council and Burntwood Town Council.

If you have any questions, require further information or would like to discuss your circumstances before submitting a formal application please contact 01543 677166.

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