

## Shaping the future of Highclere.

Neighbourhood Planning is a way for communities to decide the future of the places where they live and work. To have more say in where new houses, businesses and community facilities should go, or NOT go. It can even help to define how new developments should look.

The Parish Council has voted to produce a Neighbourhood Plan for Highclere. A Steering Group has been formed to begin this work. It currently consists of four local residents and is seeking to build a much wider interest group with new members who have a real interest in the way their local community evolves. If they have particular skills or expertise even better, but enthusiasm for Highclere is the key quality we're looking for.

Developing a Neighbourhood Plan is likely to happen over an extended period of around a couple of years. There are key stages with bursts of activity and periods of waiting for responses. So while it will be a considerable task, many hands make light work, and the effort required will be known well in advance.

You may not feel you have much time to commit, but a few hours a week every few months might just fit with our schedule and be greatly valued. You may also have particular knowledge of Highclere, experience of arranging events or campaigns, technical knowledge of planning or just willing to distribute flyers in your neighbourhood.

If you're enthusiastic about Highclere then we really do want to hear from you. So please, drop an e-mail to <a href="mailto:parish.clerk@highclerepc.uk">parish.clerk@highclerepc.uk</a> to let us know, and we'll be in touch as soon as we can.