

Dronfield Summary of Consultation and Engagement

DRONFIELD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Context

This document provides a summary of the engagement that took place in developing the Dronfield Neighbourhood Plan.

The Dronfield Neighbourhood Plan Working Group was established under the auspices of Dronfield Town Council to oversee the development of the Plan. The group identified that strong and effective consultation was key to the successful development and implementation of the Neighbourhood Plan. In particular, the consultation aimed to:

- Inform as many local people, community groups and other relevant bodies and stakeholders as possible of the existence of the Neighbourhood Plan and its development and;
- seek their views on the policies and proposals being developed by the Working Group.

Timeline and Summary of Activities

Date	Event or action	Purpose/Outcome
July 2016 and onwards	Working Group established comprising town councillors and non-councillor members of the community	To drive the development of the Plan and ensure that it reflects local needs and priorities
August – September 2016	The Town Council formally applies to North East Derbyshire District Council for designation as a Neighbourhood Plan Area.	Following consultation, the Town was designated by North East Derbyshire District Council as a Neighbourhood Plan Area on 23 September 2016.
August 2016	A web page, dedicated to Dronfield Neighbourhood Plan was incorporated on to the Town Council website.	The webpage provided background information on the Plan, contact details and how to get involved, and progress on the Plan. It can be found at http://www.dronfield.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html .
March 2017	Four community consultation drop-in events/exhibitions took place in the Civic Hall	To raise awareness of the Plan and help understand the community's key concerns and potential opportunities and priorities for inclusion in the Plan. A summary of the findings can be found at http://www.dronfield.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html .
May to June 2017	Special Advisory Group Meetings took place with key stakeholders including Rykneld Homes, Hallam Land Management, Dawson Architects LSP Developments	To raise awareness of the Plan and help understand stakeholder's key concerns and potential opportunities and priorities for inclusion in the Plan, with a focus on the Town Centre, housing and transport.

	and Derbyshire County Council.	
July 2017	Exhibition at the 'Nature Fest' ('A Lea Brook Valley Festival') community event at Gosforth Drive, Dronfield.	To raise awareness of the Plan and help understand the community's key concerns and potential opportunities and priorities for inclusion in the Plan, with a focus on environmental issues.
July 2017	Community and other groups consultation	To raise awareness of the Plan and help understand <u>community</u> and other groups key concerns and potential opportunities and priorities for inclusion in the Plan. Children from Junior School also attended and made suggestions.
November 2017	Advisory Group Meeting with representatives from the Dronfield Civic Society and Dronfield Heritage Trust.	To raise awareness of the Plan and help understand the community's key concerns and potential opportunities and priorities for inclusion in the Plan, with a focus on design and heritage issues.
February 2018	Drop-in events/Exhibition at the Civic Centre	To consult with the community and community groups on the emerging policies and receive feedback. A summary of the findings can be found at http://www.dronfield.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan.html .