

Sutton Poyntz Neighbourhood Plan

Shaping The Future Of Our Community Together

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On 20th September 2016 the Borough Council approved the intention of the Sutton Poyntz Neighbourhood Forum to produce a Neighbourhood Plan under the Localism Act 2011.

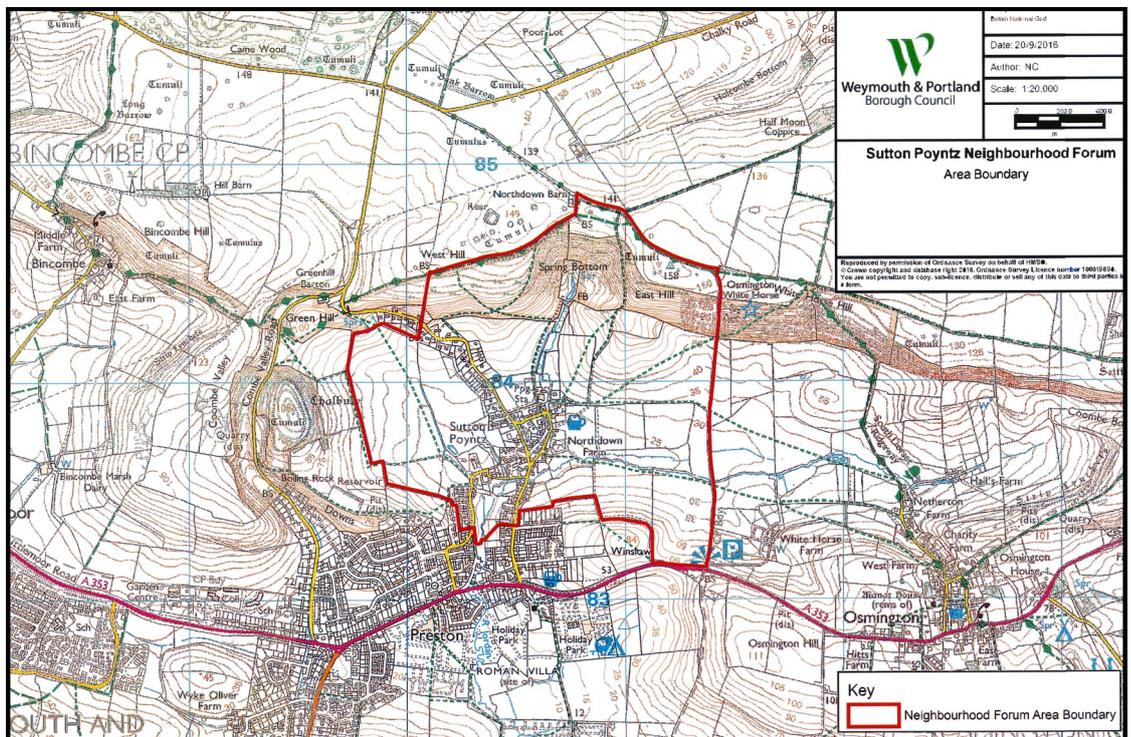
We are now starting the next stage of consultation in order to develop that plan which will typically take a period of two years before final approval.

WHY DO WE NEED A PLAN AND WILL IT MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE?

We do not have to make a plan, however the Localism Act 2011 gives people the opportunity to have a greater say in decisions affecting their own community. A formally approved plan is necessary in order to bring that about. While it will not be the only document the Council uses in making future development decisions it will have to be considered by law alongside the existing Local Plan and experience from other parts of the UK suggests that it will have a very significant influence on the decision making process.

WHO DECIDES WHAT GOES IN THE PLAN?

People who live, work, own land or do business within the Area Boundary [as shown in the map opposite]. The area was approved following public consultation by the Council and the Sutton Poyntz Society which resulted in some representations from local individuals leading to an amended boundary.



HOW WILL WE BE CONSULTED?

A Steering Group has been set up by the Sutton Poyntz Society (which has been approved as the Neighbourhood Forum in the absence of a Parish Council or other suitably constituted body) to act independently from the Society and develop a timetable and process for getting people involved and seeking their ideas and suggestions through surveys, open days, face-to-face discussion, etc. for inclusion in the plan.

WHO ARE THE MEMBERS OF THIS STEERING GROUP AND HOW WERE THEY CHOSEN?

The current members are listed opposite along with their contact details and include Society members and non-members, permanent residents and holiday home-owners, all of whom volunteered following a request in the first newsletter.

The composition is flexible and we are keen to co-opt additional members, particularly from under-represented groups, such as business owners, investors, under-40's and women.

Our meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month in the Duck Bar, Springhead

Pub at 19.30. If you would like to join us you are very welcome. If you have any questions about the work of the Steering Group please contact any member of the group by telephone or email.

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WHAT CAN OUR COMMUNITY INCLUDE IN THE PLAN?

The community decide; it is our plan. However, in order to be approved it will need to be pro-active, positive and forward looking.

Ask yourself - What should the community and area look like in fifteen years' time?

Based upon other plans that have been proposed including the two which have been approved in Dorset so far, the main focus is on Economic, Social and Environment issues and cover such topics as:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business and tourism • Heritage • Biodiversity and the natural environment • Employment • Transport and highways • Land use and conservation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing and planning • IT/communications • Renewable energy • Local services and community facilities • Sports and recreation |
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WHO AGREES THE FINAL PLAN?

You do. Following a number of stages of formal and informal consultation with all interested parties a plan will be formulated based upon a broad consensus and put to a public referendum of people in the Neighbourhood Area which will be organised by the Borough Council.

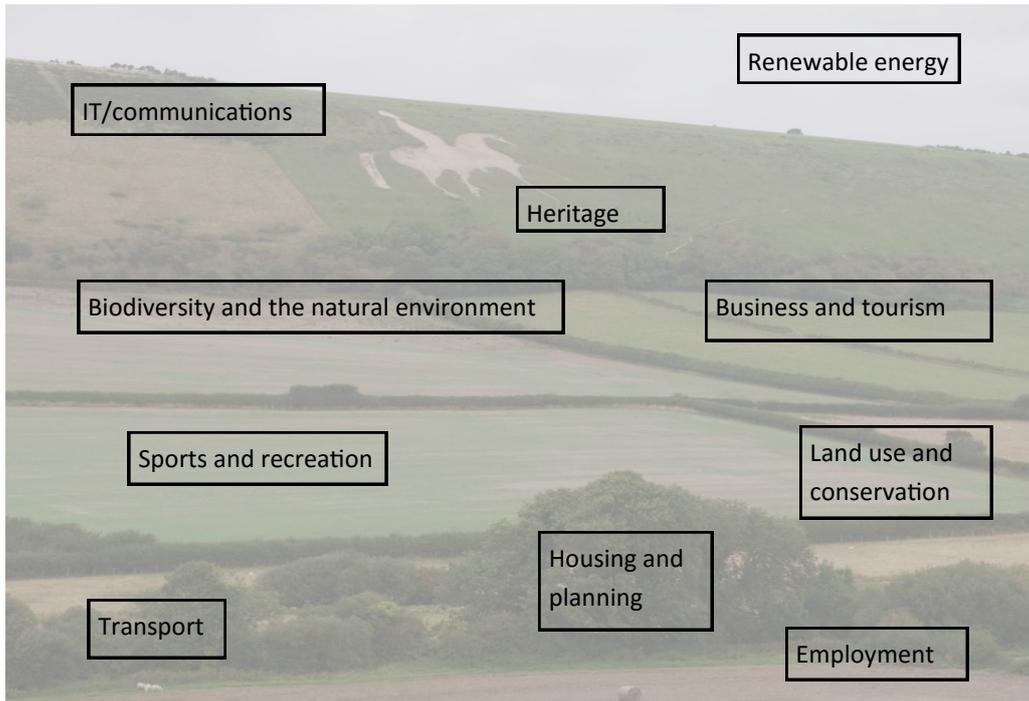
WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

The first step is to involve everyone and seek your views as to what you think are the important issues for our community. We are beginning this process by asking you to complete the attached form and return it using the means you prefer by **Friday 4th November 2016**.

We will also be supporting this consultation process with a walk-in session and display in the Mission Hall on Sunday 30th and Monday 31st October 2016 (10.00 to 16.00) to which you can come along and discuss the response to the first consultation, meet the Steering Group, ask further questions and find out more.

Please get involved and have a say in the future of Sutton Poyntz

3. Have a think about the topics in the picture below and list in the table those topic headings you would like to be included in the Sutton Poyntz Neighbourhood Plan. Add in the 'Other' box any topics you feel are not covered. Briefly identify the issues that you want to see addressed under each topic heading.



Topic Heading (as above)	Type of issues to be addressed under this heading
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<p>Other topic headings</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>	<p>Type of issues to be addressed</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>

How to return your survey	1. You can hand deliver or mail it to: Mark Cribb, The Cottage, Puddledock Lane, Sutton Poyntz, DT3 6LZ	2. Email it to: neighbourhood@suttonpoyntz.org.uk	3. Telephone any of the Steering Group members (see p.2) and they will make arrangements to collect it from you.
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Optional Information	Age Group (please circle) under 16 16-25 26 –50 51-65 65+	Gender : F/M	Name & Address:
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