

# Parish council summit

20 September 2019

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# Agenda

Welcome and Introduction	Cllr David Hitchiner	6:30 pm
Talk Community Hubs	Nina Bridges	6:35 pm
Core Strategy Review and Neighbourhood Development Plans	Kevin Singleton Samantha Banks	6:45 pm
Corporate Plan and Herefordshire Council budget	Cllr Liz Harvey	7:00 pm
Workshop - Working better together – our ambition for Herefordshire	All	7:10 pm
Next Steps	Cllr Hitchiner	7:55 pm

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# Welcome and introduction – Cllr David Hitchiner

Leader of the Council

## Talk Community Hubs

Nina Bridges

Local Enterprise and  
Resources Manager

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**Supporting well-being and independence in communities**

# Talk Community Hubs – the ambition

To develop and establish a network of Talk Community Hubs across Herefordshire, delivered by the community for the community:

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- 20 Hubs by end March 2020
- 50 Hubs in total by end of 2021

Dedicated support from the Talk Community Hubs project team

# How does a Talk Community Hub work?

- Each hub will be unique, reflecting its local community
- Run by staff and/or volunteers from within the community:
  - ✓ Providing access to information, advice and signposting relevant to the local community, providing local solutions
  - ✓ Developing activities and events to meet needs of the community, connecting people together and supporting them to be more active
  - ✓ Encouraging co-location of new and existing activities/services

# Talk Community Hubs – Approach

- Identification based on intelligence / need and local energy
- Build on success and add value to what's already there and working well in communities
- Flexible in approach, develop the Hub in a way that works best for you and your community

# Talk Community Hubs – the ‘Offer’

- Support from the Talk Community Hubs Team
- Training – some mandatory plus additional optional offers
- A digital device to support information, advice and signposting in the community
- ∞ • Seed funding to support development of each Hub (up to £2k)
- Access to advice on funding and financial sustainability
- Support with promoting Hubs
- Brokering connections / enabling access to other services to support Hub development



# Talk Community Hubs – the ‘Ask’ of the community

- Passionate about making a difference
- Understand the needs of your community and local area
- Volunteers with time and a regular presence
- Commitment to operate a Hub to agreed terms e.g.  
opening times, undertake training, open to all, reporting on progress
- Open to sharing learning, best practice and peer support

# Talk Community Hubs - working with parish councils

- Input and information from January 2019 summit helped shape the approach
- Follow up conversations with interested parish councils – a number now identified as early implementers
- Talk Community Hubs team now in place to support further interest from communities

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# Talk Community Hubs – Next steps

Interested?

- Contact us: [talkcommunityhubs@herefordshire.gov.uk](mailto:talkcommunityhubs@herefordshire.gov.uk)
- We will work with you to help scope and develop a Talk Community Hub that works for you and your community.

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Community**

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# Core Strategy review and Neighbourhood Planning update – Kevin Singleton and Samantha Banks

Strategic Planning Manager and Neighbourhood  
Planning Service Manager, Economy and Place

# Core Strategy review

## Why review?

- Commitment in the Core Strategy for a review to start in 2019.
- Requirement in NPPF for 5 year cycle of review of Local Plans.
- Requirement in NPPF to review housing requirement at least every 5 years

# What can be considered when determining which policies/proposals should be updated?

These can include:

- conformity with national planning policy;
- changes to local circumstances - such as a change in Local

<sup>14</sup> Housing Need;

- Housing Delivery/5 year supply position;
- whether issues have arisen that impact on the deliverability of key sites; and
- whether any new social, environmental or economic priorities may have arisen.

# What is required when reviewing the plan?

- The review must follow the plan-making procedure including consultation, publication, and examination by the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Secretary of State.
- It may not be necessary to revise the entire plan and there may be policies do not need updating.
- The greater the level of change proposed/required the longer the process is likely to take.

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# Local Plan process

- Issues & Options
  - Draft Plan and/or Preferred Options
  - Pre-submission plan
  - Examination in Public
  - <sup>91</sup>• Modifications
  - Adoption
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- Existing Core Strategy will remain as the statutory development plan until the new plan is adopted.
  - May be possible to start to give some weight to emerging policies from draft plan stage but this will depend on level of objection.



# Local Plan Process

- Development of a comprehensive evidence base to justify the policies/proposals of the new plan.
- Engagement & consultation – undertaken at key stages of the plan making process, at least four stages of consultation prior to adoption.
- Sustainability Appraisal and Habitats Regulations Assessment.

# Neighbourhood Planning in Herefordshire

Samantha Banks  
Neighbourhood Planning Manager  
Herefordshire Council

# Progress so far in Herefordshire

# Herefordshire's progress so far

- 112 Neighbourhood areas designated
- 67 NDP adopted
- 1 awaiting referendum
- 5 at examination
- 89 within the formal stages (Reg14 onwards)

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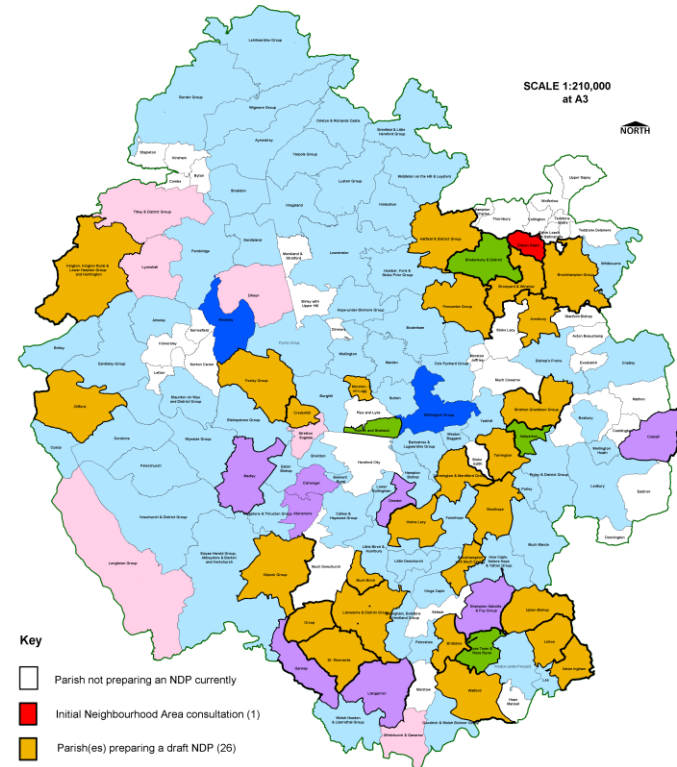
# Neighbourhood Plans in Herefordshire

Parishes in yellow are undertaking a NDP

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- Light blue – Adopted
- Dark blue – Referendum
- Pink - Examination
- Green – Reg16
- Purple –Reg14

Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDP) in Herefordshire



- Key
- Parish not preparing an NDP currently
  - Initial Neighbourhood Area consultation (1)
  - Parish(es) preparing a draft NDP (26)
  - Regulation 14 Draft NDP stage (8)
  - Regulation 15 NDP submitted (4)
  - NDP submitted for Examination (6)
  - NDP to undergo a Referendum (2)
  - NDP adopted (65)

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## Lessons learnt and key issues

# Key issues arising

- 5 year land supply / major Core Strategy review
- 'out of date' NDPs after 2 years
- Appetite to review
- More involved plans
- More scrutiny from developers

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# Key lessons so far for LPA

- Breakdown traditional views and roles
- Provide early support
- Engage service providers
- Continuous engagement with parishes
- Discuss 'basic conditions' issues early
- Encourage external support where needed



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# Review of NDPs

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# Monitoring of Made NDPs

- Ensure Parish Council comments on planning applications

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- Review effectiveness of policies
- Changes to spatial strategy
- Changes to government policy



# Review options

## Minor

- No consultation
- No examination
- No referendum

## Substantial

- Reg16
- Examination
- Made within 5 weeks of report

## Substantial

(Change in the nature of the plan)

- Reg16
- Examination
- Referendum
- Made

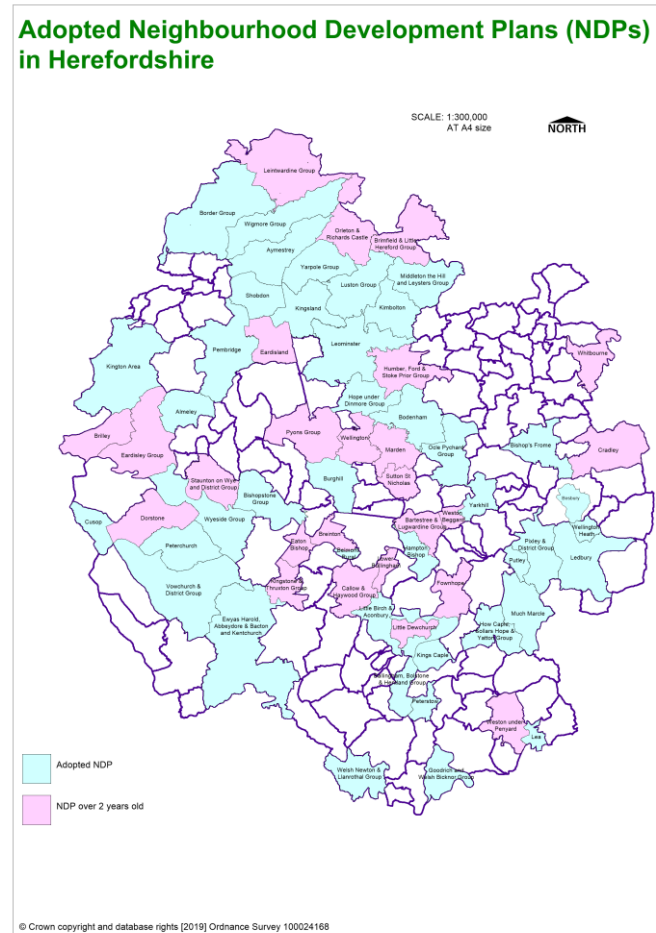
# Material weight of made plans

Full weight if:

- Under 2 years
- Contains site allocations
- At least three year land supply

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The reviewed Core Strategy will gain material weight following draft plan consultation



# Forthcoming event

Wednesday 6 November

4:30pm

Shire Hall

Review Neighbourhood Plans and the  
Core Strategy review update.



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Invites will be sent out next week



Feedback form to all clerks regarding past experiences of neighbourhood planning and future intentions

# Corporate Plan and Herefordshire Council budget – Councillor Liz Harvey

Cabinet Member - Finance and Corporate Services

# Corporate plan 2020-24 – be part of our plan

- The council's corporate plan sets out our key ambitions and priorities for the next 4 years
- Provides the overarching policy framework which shapes and guides all our strategies, plans and investments
- A new corporate plan is needed now, and we want to involve parishes as early as possible in the planning process
- **Tonight** we are sharing our first draft high level “1 pager” for your comment
- A further draft will be tested with the public and key stakeholders across Herefordshire to ensure the aims, ambitions and key areas of focus are right before consulting more widely with the public

# Budget priorities – what’s important to you?

- 2020-21 Budget will deliver the first year of the Corporate Plan. We consult using a ‘till receipt’ to show where the money goes.
- We are also extending the timeframe of our Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS) to match the timeframe of our Corporate Plan, so we can plan properly to invest and to deliver.
- We want to do more to involve parishes in our planning processes

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- How can we work together better?
- What can we do to help parishes do more in the community?
- Where can we share the cost of service delivery?
- When do you want us to involve you more?
- What does your community need support to achieve?
- Where should we invest to build resilience and sustainability?



## Consultation and engagement process (corporate & budget priorities)

	Activity	Date	Purpose
<b>Phase 1</b>	Pop-up events	20/09/2019 - 12/10/2019	Test out aims and ambitions of new Corporate plan  Quick poll format using tokens
<b>Phase 2</b>	Focussed workshops – (key stakeholders)	14/10/2019 – 23/10/2019	More discussion based (getting behind the headlines)  Thematic sessions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economy</li> <li>• Communities</li> <li>• Environment</li> </ul>
<b>Phase 3</b>	Formal consultation  Primarily digital survey but some face to face groups	04/11/2019 – 29/11/2019	Formally consult on budget and CP priorities

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# Public engagement – “pop-up” trailer tour timetable

Date	Venue	
Parish Council Summit	Friday 20 Sept	6pm-8pm
Hereford High Town	Thursday 26 September	10pm-3pm
Dorstone Ploughing match	Sunday 29 September	
Blueschool House	Monday 30 September	10am -12pm
Ledbury Market Hall	Tuesday 1 October	10am - 2pm
Blueschool House	Wednesday 2 October	10am -12pm
Ross Library	Thursday 3 October	10am - 3pm
Leominster Corn Square	Friday 4 October	10am - 2pm
Kington	Friday 11 October	10am - 3pm
Hereford High Town	Saturday 12 October	10am - 3pm

# Workshop – Our ambition for Herefordshire

# Next steps – Cllr David Hitchiner

Leader of the Council

# Next Parish Council Summit Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Thank you –

Please give us your feedback  
(forms are on tables)

and

Rank the 6 priorities

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