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# Thruslington Neighbourhood Plan

Launch Event

02 July 2016

# What is today about?

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- Early stages of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan
- Offering a first opportunity to share views / ideas
- Who's involved?
  - Parish Council – democratic authority for the project
  - Working Group – Managing the day-to-day process
  - Urban Imprint – Technical planning support / facilitation
  - Charnwood BC – Support and implementation
  - The Thrussington Community...

# What is Neighbourhood Planning?

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- Introduced under the Localism Act (2011)
- Bottom-up process: must be community-led
- A statutory planning document (not mandatory)
- Local detail or interpretation of wider policy
- Only adopted following a positive referendum
- Applies to all planning applications in the parish

# What could the Plan focus on?

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- Raise the quality of design for new buildings
  - Protect key green spaces and landscapes
  - Support local business growth
  - Meet local housing needs (if identified)
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- Limited to land use planning matters
  - Cannot commit others to undertake work
  - Cannot resist development

# What will go into the plan?

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- Often include a Vision and Objectives
- Should articulate community aspirations
- Should include policies on key topics
- Typical policy topics include:
  - Design and Conservation
  - Landscape and Open Space
  - Housing
  - Business
  - Community and Leisure Facilities
  - Transport and Access

# What are the timescales?

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- Consultation period (July – Nov 2016)
- Preparing first draft (Nov 2016 – Jan 2017)
- 6 weeks consultation (spring 2017)
- Submission to Charnwood (summer 2017)
  
- Further publicity and examination (autumn 2017)
- Referendum (late 2017)

# How you can get involved?

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- **Participate into today's session**
  - Leave your feedback on the themed topics
- **Look out for the questionnaire** (summer 2016)
  - Make sure you fill it out and encourage others to do so
- **Become a community champion**
  - Be a point of contact for your neighbours
- **Join the Working Group**
  - Help make decisions about the Plan's development

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Questions?  
Please ask before you leave