

# **NDP PROPOSAL DISCUSSED AT NDP STEERING GROUP 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2020.**

## **Draft Document Structure**

- Having reviewed the results of your parish survey and our notes from the site visits, we think that your plan would work well with five chapters and one appendix for the various linked projects. The sections marked with a [P] will be a Planning Policy while [V] is the Vision Statement and [O] are the Planning Policy Objectives – these are typically a list of 10-12 outcomes that the policies seek to achieve. With this structure in mind, your plan will have 14 policies which is “about right” from our experience of working on other plans, although everywhere is different.
- This suggested structure attempts to break away from the typical and rather uninspiring headings of “landscape, transport, heritage, housing...” – we see them in lots of other plans and you can almost tell what’s going to be said before you read it! Instead, we have grouped these different topics into more engaging themes such as “Community Spirit” – something that came out strongly in your survey results – and “Village Ecology” that combines landscape and built heritage, that are so strongly intertwined in Nether Wallop. Topics such as the need for more affordable housing can be addressed by the policy that offers support for proposals that promote community spirit. Topics such as flooding can be covered in the technical part of the Wallop Brook policy and transport issues can be covered by the Health & Wellbeing theme. So, we think these 5 themes work well together and will create a plan that is not only technically sounds but can be a good read too.
- Next Steps: There are five supporting sections of text we have identified that we think the Steering Group is best placed to lead upon. These are set out below. Each need no more than 1-2 sides of A4 text.
  1. *Background and context to the plan*
  2. *Very short history of the parish*
  3. *Description of the parish topography and the role the brook — the “blue thread” — plays in the life of the parish*
  4. *Description of what makes life in Nether Wallop special — parish activities, primary school, annual calendar of events, village hall etc.*
  5. *Description of life-affirming qualities of countryside living*

The description of built form, typical house types, materials found in village etc and the description of landscape setting (both found in the Village Ecology theme) our team will lead upon as these are more technical in nature and will need to access TVBC reports etc. We shall also start to “sketch out” what each [P] Policy sections might look like .... but we do need a stronger evidence base (e.g. further community engagement results) before we can do this with certainty.

## **Recreation Ground off Aylwards Way**

- We have produced 4 x drawings. The first shows the current situation and then there follows three “scenarios” (not options) that explore different opportunities for change e.g. junior sport pitches, community orchards, wilder planting, and more extensive and more adventurous children’s play areas that involve land shapes and new gradients. All in different combinations and different quantities. We’ve added photos and annotations to help explain these scenarios. Drawings like this can be really useful to start conversations at public consultation events.
- Next Steps: Let us know what you think.