

MOTCOMBE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: PRE-SUBMISSION CONSULTATION

The two drop-in sessions on Oct. 27th and Nov. 10th (2.00-4.30 pm) provide an opportunity:

- To read the detailed draft Motcombe Neighbourhood Plan
- Read the individual policies from within the Plan on the display boards
- View large versions of the 2 key maps contained in the Plan on the display boards
- Discuss any queries with a member of the Plan team
- Complete a response form to register your views of the Plan (or take with you to complete and return as shown on the form)

Copies of the Plan to read are also located in the Community Shop, plus response forms.

Copies of the Plan and response forms are also on the Parish Council website to read and download:

This consultation ends on **November 30th**. Response forms received after that date may not be counted.

What happens after November 30th?

The Plan team will analyse all the response forms. This will show us the level of support there is for the individual policies within the Plan, and for the overall Plan. We will also see any suggested amendments to the draft, and the number of those responding who have mentioned each suggestion.

If the responses show that there is a **majority supporting** the draft Plan, we will incorporate any key amendments and submit the revised Plan to North Dorset District Council for their appraisal. We would not expect a response from them until mid 2019, by which time there will be the new structure of unitary authorities replacing Dorset County Council.

If the responses show that the majority did **NOT** support the overall Plan, then the Parish Council will discuss how to proceed. Some Councils have at that point decided not to continue with the Plan, others have decided to re-structure the draft and re-consult with residents on the amended Plan.

The main **benefit** of having a Neighbourhood Plan is that it becomes a statutory document that will be used in making decisions on planning applications and is therefore the community's opportunity to have a clearer voice on what development should happen in Motcombe. Without a Neighbourhood Plan, decisions will be based on the more general policies in the Local Plan for North Dorset.