

Newick Now to 2030

The Estate Manager

8th November, 2012

Dear Sirs,

Neighbourhood Plan

On behalf of Newick Parish Council, I am writing to you as the owner of land adjacent or very close to the Planning Boundary for Newick. As you may be aware, the passing of the Localism Act earlier this year opened the way to parish councils producing Neighbourhood Plans. These allow councils to have a far greater say on the planning of future development within their parish. Newick Parish Council has agreed to develop a Neighbourhood Plan for the entire Civil Parish of Newick covering the period to 2030. If the Parish Council develops an acceptable plan and it receives a majority "YES" vote at a referendum, LDC's planners will still decide how many housing units are to be built in Newick, but the Neighbourhood Plan can state the sizes and types of new housing to be built, where new developments are to be located and how the construction of each development is to be phased.

The Parish Council has set up a small Steering Group of Parish Councillors charged with producing the plan. What the Parish Council needs over the coming months are the views of the residents on what housing, services and recreational facilities Newick needs, plus the proposals of landowners and developers for particular potential housing development sites. The Parish Council will have to consider modifying the Planning Boundary as part of the Neighbourhood Plan and wonders whether you are in a position to let it know of any aspirations you may have for a change in use of land close to the Planning Boundary.

The Parish Council will be holding a general information / consultation day in Newick Village Hall on 17th November at the Newick Village Hall from 10.00 a.m – 4.00 p.m and hopes that you will call in. There will be a presentation on the purpose of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan and what it involves, plus displays on various associated subjects. Parish Councillors and planners from LDC will be on hand to answer questions and collect your views.

In addition, if you hope in the future to change the use of land you own near the current Planning Boundary, the Parish Council would be pleased to hear from you, either in writing or by means of a discussion with its Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group. Please contact me if you wish to make an appointment with the Steering Group.

Yours faithfully

Linda M. Farmer
Clerk to the Council