



CHESIL BANK NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

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It has been 2 or 3 months since the previous Newsletter so we thought you might appreciate an update on progress. Following on from Newsletter 13, the Neighbourhood Plan has been updated taking into account the various comments which have been made, not only by members of the community but also a number of statutory consultees including Dorset Council, Dorset AONB, Wessex Water and Historic England, adjacent Parish Councils and Sport England, which we have also taken into account.

The revised Neighbourhood Plan was reviewed by the Steering Group in late September, and as a result a number of minor modifications have been identified.

So what happens next?

Firstly, the Plan will be updated following the SG comments and will be available by the 17th October.

Secondly, the Plan will be distributed to members of the Parish Council for them to review and make any comments. Given the extent of the changes following the Pre-Consultation then we have allowed a period of 4 weeks for review by the Parish Council.

Thirdly, an extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council will be held in mid-November in order to seek approval for the next stage in the process, which is to submit the Plan to Dorset Council for their review. At that time it will also appear on the Dorset Council website, in Public Libraries etc so you will be able to see it in parallel with the Council. This is likely to take 6-8 weeks, so it will be early January 2023 before we receive any comments they may have.

Fourthly, once the Plan has been agreed with Dorset Council an Independent Examiner will be appointed and the expectation is that they will take another 6 weeks to raise any queries or comments. A period of rework may follow that activity depending on the extent of the comments.

Finally, assuming this outline plan is met, then we expect to hold the Referendum no earlier than May 2023. We will let you have more information about the Referendum as the plan unfolds.

Kind Regards

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On behalf of the Chesil Bank Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group