



Hailsham
TOWN COUNCIL

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**Hailsham Neighbourhood Plan:
Public Consultation on Pre-Submission Draft**

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Hailsham Town Council invites residents to attend a public consultation drop-in session to find out more about the Hailsham Neighbourhood Plan and its progress, which takes place at the Hailsham Civic Community Hall in Vicarage Lane on Saturday 25th November, from 10am to 2pm.

The event will mark the start of a 8-week pre-submission consultation period on the Draft Neighbourhood Plan for Hailsham, which ends on Friday 26th January 2018.

"Residents are encouraged to attend the event and ask any questions they may have relating to the Draft Neighbourhood Plan," said Councillor Glenn Moore, chairman of the Neighbourhood Planning Committee.

"We have already received lots of feedback from residents in terms of important infrastructure requirements and issues to support future housing growth in Hailsham and the Neighbourhood Plan will be progressing to the next stage in its public consultation mandate – your views on the draft plan."

"The opinions and findings of everyone who takes part in our consultations will be put into the mix and I'd encourage residents to come along to the next drop-in event and help influence the way forward for the Plan."

A lot has happened since the launch of the Neighbourhood Planning Committee in 2015 including a series of public consultation and engagement events, which have enabled residents and local businesses to have their say on the future of Hailsham and the surrounding area in terms of local environment and sustainability, design, traffic and transport, economy, retail and services.

Statistics obtained from an analysis of the comments put forward at the various public consultation events to date have confirmed strong support for the Neighbourhood Planning Committee's objectives.

Town Clerk John Harrison said: "Although the Town Council is responsible for leading the process, it is our commitment, by way of public consultation and public engagement exercises, that residents and the community at large determine our town's future, its design, provision of facilities and infrastructure needed to support future housing growth."

"Please come along to the next consultation drop-in session on 25th November and find out more about the draft plan."

For more information on the Hailsham Neighbourhood Plan's progress and latest announcements visit www.hailshamneighbourhoodplan.co.uk

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