



Paddock Wood Neighbourhood Plan Update October 2019

The draft local plan for the borough of Tunbridge Wells has finally been made public with the official consultation period being from Friday 20 September to Friday 1 November 2019.

The Public exhibitions in Paddock Wood, organised by TWBC will be held on:

- **Tuesday 24th September** from **4.30pm to 8.00pm** at **Mascalls School**, Maidstone Road, Paddock Wood, T12 6LT
- **Thursday 3rd October** from **4.30pm to 8.00pm** at **Mascalls School**, Maidstone Road, Paddock Wood, T12 6LT

TWBC will display the plan, have hard copies available and officers from the Planning Policy Team will be there to answer questions.

A consultation event organised by Paddock Wood Town Council for residents to share their views with Town Councillors will be held on **Saturday 19th October** in the **Day Centre** in Commercial Road from **11am to 2pm**.

Between now and the October Steering Group meeting not only will Group members be visiting the exhibition themselves but the working groups will also be looking at the documentation and comparing it with the draft NP policies. Comments will be fed back to the Steering Group at the October meeting and comments from the NP group will be submitted to TWBC prior to the deadline of 1st November.

Please do go to one of the exhibitions and consider responding to the consultation. It is essential that the views of individuals are made at this stage. Don't forget that Paddock Wood may be doubling in size if the TWBC plans come to fruition.

To keep up to date with what is going on with all aspects of the Neighbourhood Plan you are welcome to join the Steering Group at their meetings which take place in the Wesley Centre on the third Wednesday of each month at 8pm. We are still looking for people to join our Group at this critical time now that we have a good idea as to what TWBC are planning for the future.

You can also follow the Paddock Wood Neighbourhood Plan Facebook page. Further information about the Neighbourhood Plan and its draft policies can also be found on the Town Council website.

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