



Paddock Wood Neighbourhood Plan Update AUGUST 2020

The Steering Group of the Paddock Wood Neighbourhood Plan is very pleased to announce that Troy Planning and Design has now been appointed to support them with the next steps in the production of the draft Neighbourhood Plan. Jon Herbert from Troy Planning is now studying all the work that the Neighbourhood Plan group has done so far since 2015 including the results of the consultation events at the Day Centre, the Church and the Primary School. As well as that they are familiarising themselves with the draft Tunbridge Wells Local Plan and how it will affect Paddock Wood. All this needs to be done before it is possible for the Steering Group to take the next steps forward.

Following the retirement of John Flashman from the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group earlier in the year there is currently a vacancy for a new steering group member. If possible, we would like someone who would be able to represent the younger residents of Paddock Wood but this is not essential. The most important thing is a love for our town and a desire to help influence its future. Please contact us via Facebook or the Town Council Office if you would like more information.

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 its meetings. These are currently being held via Zoom on the third Wednesday of the month at 7pm. Invitations can be obtained via email to Paddock Wood Town Council on the Monday before the meeting. The Steering Group is very much looking forward to be moving forward with the project again although it is aware of the challenge of doing so at a time of limited face to face gatherings.

You can also follow and contribute to 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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