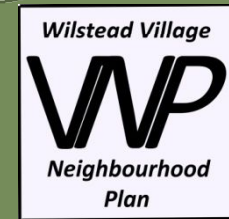




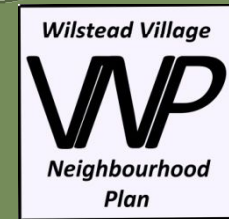
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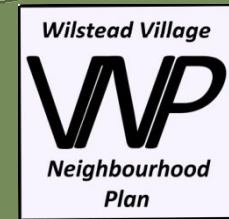
- **The Localism Act of 2011 introduced the “Neighbourhood Plan” which can be used to set out priorities for development at a local level.**
- **This gives local people the opportunity to shape the development of their community**

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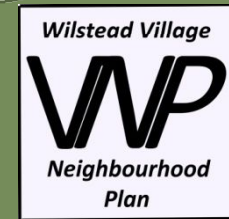
- **Wilstead is preparing a Neighbourhood Plan**
- **Steering Committee formed from interested villagers**
- **They act on behalf of the Parish Council**
- **Once approved the Plan will:**
  - **Sit within the framework of the Bedford Borough Council Local Plan 2030**
  - **Along with the Local Plan, be part of Central Government Housing strategy**
  - **Give the local community greater power to shape development**
  - **Influence planning decisions within the Parish**

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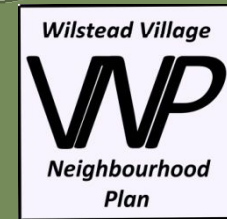
- **The Plan must be evidence based**
- **This requires the Neighbourhood Plan Team to consult with the local community**
- **A questionnaire will be issued to all households in the village**
- **Discussions are taking place with local organisations, communities and businesses to determine their views and obtain their input**

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- **The Neighbourhood Plan will bring together residents, businesses, local groups, landowners and, possibly, developers to share ideas and build consensus about needs and priorities for the Parish.**
- **This “bringing together” starts with discussions in which the Neighbourhood Plan Team ask for input into the process**

# Wilstead Village Neighbourhood Plan



- **The approved Plan will :**
  - **Contain a shared vision and objectives for our neighbourhood.**
  - **Describe the unique character and history of the village**
  - **Choose if or where new development should take place**
  - **Identify and help protect the environment and important local green spaces.**
  - **Influence what new buildings should look like**
  - **Identify priorities for improvements to the village**