**Wilmcote Neighbourhood Planning Group**

**Update no.5 October 2015**

Following our Open Day at the end of June, at which we presented the results of the residents’ survey, considerable progress has been made in preparing the first draft of the Wilmcote and Pathlow Neighbourhood Plan. We have engaged the assistance of a planning consultant, Kirkwells, to help us with the drafting of the Plan and we will soon be entering a period of consultation. This will be conducted by the Wilmcote Parish Council and the Wilmcote Neighbourhood Planning Group. The purpose of this consultation is to gather your views on the issues that you feel should be included in the Plan and the consultation will be with all residents and businesses in the Parish.

The draft Neighbourhood Plan will shortly be available on the website and to view this please use the following link: [www.wilmcote.co.uk/neighbourhoodplanninggroup](http://www.wilmcote.co.uk/neighbourhoodplanninggroup) or visit the village shop, where three paper copies will be available. Furthermore, there will be an opportunity for you to talk to members of the Parish Council and Neighbourhood Plan Group at public meetings, which will be held in the Village Hall on Friday 30th October 2015 and Friday 20th November 2015 both at 19.30 to 21.00 when the draft Plan will be presented. The consultation period will commence on 23rd October 2015 and end on 30th November 2015. You can send your views to the Parish Council Clerk, Liz Butterworth, either by email: [lizbutterworth1@btinternet.com](mailto:lizbutterworth1@btinternet.com) or by post to: The Clerk of the Parish Council, Liz Butterworth, Alne View, Pathlow, CV37 0ES.

All submissions will be considered carefully and where appropriate they will be incorporated into the final draft of the Neighbourhood Plan. When this is ready, it will be formally submitted to Stratford District Council, who will then take control of the process. They will carry out their own consultation amongst all interested parties and appoint an examiner, who will publish a report, prior to a referendum on the plan taking place involving everyone in the Parish.

Along with this Update you will be receiving a Housing Needs Survey, which is being conducted by Warwickshire Rural Community Council. The covering letter from Wilmcote Parish Council which accompanies the survey questionnaire provides further background information about this survey. It is an important part of the process and your co-operation in completing this questionnaire is essential. Thank you.

**Contact Information**

Remember you can find more information about the Neighbourhood Plan on the Parish web site:

[www.wilmcote.co.uk/neighbourhoodplanninggroup](http://www.wilmcote.co.uk/neighbourhoodplanninggroup) or [www.facebook.co/wilmcoteneighbourhoodplanninggroup](http://www.facebook.co/wilmcoteneighbourhoodplanninggroup) or look at a paper copy of items in the village shop.

Please send any emails or letters to The Clerk of the Parish Council, Liz Butterworth, at the address given above and no longer to Alan Griffith.