BRIGSTOCK NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

As you may be aware, last year Brigstock Parish Council decided to develop a Neighbourhood Plan to encompass the village and the surrounding parish. The Localism Act of 2011 introduced Neighbourhood Development Plans which should allow greater influence on planning issues like allocating sites for new housing. The outcome of such plans is decided upon by the collective view of the local community and to achieve this your views are vital. Prior to the writing of a plan there will be full consultation with the village and parish residents including a public meeting / exhibition, a subsequent questionnaire and, after the plan has been written, there must be a vote by residents to accept or reject the plan. Once accepted and agreed by East Northamptonshire Council, the decisions of the village must be taken fully into consideration in future planning applications.

Since this idea was first mooted last September and advertised earlier this year in the village hall, a steering group has been formed under the auspices of the Parish Council. The members of the steering group are:

Chris Allen—Chair of Brigstock Neighbourhood Planning Group (BNPG) & Resident

Sally Wilks—Chair of Brigstock Parish Council

Margaret Smith—Parish Councillor

Simon Brown—Resident Richard Fincher—Resident

Justin Mumford—Resident Steve Porter—Resident

Nigel Schofield—Resident Nigel Searle—Resident

Malcolm Smith—Resident Lucy Spencer—Resident

In the first instance it would be useful to gain your immediate views which you can do by completing the form opposite (or any additional copies) and leaving it in the collection box at the Co-op or Post Office by the end of June. If you have any questions please contact the Parish Council or any member of the steering group.

Do remember that this is your village, your parish, your plan

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