

Swanton Morley Neighbourhood Plan

Project Summary

- **Community Event** - The initial community consultation event was held on Saturday 17 October 2015 to launch the Neighbourhood Plan and to seek initial views of local residents and businesses. We are pleased to report that this event went very well with circa 47 local residents attending. Their views about Swanton Morley; what they see as important and how they consider it can be improved have been gathered and are being analysed. Key headlines are : -
 - **Most Like**
 - **Local facilities, amenities and access to open space**
 - **People, community and village feel**
 - **No crime**
 - **Least Like**
 - **Scale of proposed development and loss of village character**
 - **Infrastructure issues – drainage, no gas, poor Broadband and lack of mobile signal**
 - **Shortage of affordable houses**
 - **Change one thing**
 - **Traffic (speeding and ‘rat-running’**
 - **Affordable housing for local people**
 - **Improve infrastructure (including provision for school expansion) peeding Scale of proposed development and loss of village character**
- **Stakeholders** – have been identified and a letter of introduction, update and invite to the community events in October and November has been sent to them.
- **Newsletter** – local residents have responded positively to the first Newsletter launching the neighbourhood planning process and explaining how the community can have their say to shape the Neighbourhood Plan.

Steering Group

- Local residents and stakeholders have put themselves forward to join the Steering Group at the community event and by emailing the Parish Clerk directly. An initial meeting of the Group will be held later in November.

Communication / Consultation

- **Link Up** – An article giving detail on the neighbourhood planning process and community event in November appeared in this months Link Up local magazine.
- The second community consultation event will be held on 14 November 2015 at the Village Hall, Manns Lane – at this event local residents will be able to see what they identified as the community’s strengths and weaknesses from the October event and then go one to develop a shared Vision and Objectives for the Neighbourhood Plan.
