Tur Langton Neighbourhood Development Plan – Visioning exercise. August 2015

The purpose of this exercise is to begin to identify the key issues that will feature within the Neighbourhood Plan for Tur Langton. It links the discussion to national and local policy to show what the neighbourhood plan can do to influence these issues as the plan evolves.

At the meeting there will be an opportunity for the group to look at what it wants to achieve from preparing a Neighbourhood Plan for Tur Langton.

Issue	National Policy NPPF	HDC Core Strategy	Neighbourhood Plan	Tur Langton questions
Planning Policy Context	Presumption in favour of sustainable development.	Local people are invited to take a lead in creating thriving and sustainable local communities.	The Neighbourhood Plan needs to be in general conformity with the Core Strategy and to have regard for the NPPF. It can add local detail (type; size; location of housing) within these broad strategies but cannot provide less than the minimum amount of housing required.	In the current core strategy Tur Langton is classed as 'countryside' and has only a general commitment to contribute to the housing supply. However in the draft Local Plan, Tur Langton is categorised as a 'Sub-Selected Rural Village' along with other settlements with at least one facility (a pub). There are 11 options described in the draft Local Plan for the distribution of housing across the District, and in one of these options Tur Langton is required to take 15 new homes up to 2031.

Economy	Support for sustainable economic growth (18-21). Sites should be released from employment use if not viable (22). Promote customer choice in Town Centres (23). Sequential test (24).	Economic development to be supported in urban areas – and in the countryside only where it supports the viability of rural services.	The Neighbourhood Plan provides an opportunity to influence the nature and type of future development to meet the needs of the local community. Existing sites can be protected from a change in use and the type and location of new employment determined.	What employment activities take place in the Parish? A pub, farms, commercial area, any home workers? Businesses run from home? Does the Parish want to encourage more? Consultation results suggest that people are OK with the presence of businesses and that they are in the right place
Community Facilities	Planning system to deliver social, recreational and cultural facilities (70). Need for high quality open spaces, protecting existing open space (73/74). Protection and enhancement of public open spaces (75).	CS12 – infrastructure to keep pace with new development.	The Neighbourhood Plan can consider if new facilities are needed and whether existing facilities should be safeguarded. It can prevent change of use to protect important local facilities such as pubs. Are shops required? What sort? Where should they be located?	The pub, a Church, a Village Hall, tea room What other facilities exist locally? Does Tur Langton need more or different facilities? Could it sustain a shop? Could the pub extend its services? Are there areas of open space that are important to the community (also covered in environmental section). What local facilities does the community wish to protect? Consultation suggests that safeguarding existing facilities are important to people alongside a new play area.
Transport and access	Encouragement to reduce carbon emissions and congestion (30).	Development to minimise transport requirements; secure transport improvements; provide safe	The Neighbourhood Plan can seek to address transport and access issues such as public transport, walking and	Is the issue of transport/highways important in Tur Langton?

	Significant development to be located where movement is limited (34). Sustainable transport modes encouraged – cycling etc. (35). Local authorities should seek to improve quality of parking to be convenient, safe and secure (40).	pedestrian and cycling facilities; reduce unnecessary signage.	cycling and the high dependency on the car. It can consider issues such as car parking and congestion and look at where existing road networks are under pressure. The impact on road systems can help determine where any new development takes place. Improvements can be made to existing networks which can be funded by developer contributions arising from new developments and the Plan can set standards for these new developments themselves.	Speeding, parking, congestion – are these of concern? What about public transport? Are local facilities well connected? Do you wish to protect/enhance/extend footpaths/cycle ways/bridal paths etc.? Consultation highlighted some parking and speeding issues and improved signage/traffic calming. Support for better footpaths.
Housing and the Built Environment	Windfall sites accounted for if evidenced (48). Housing mix based on local need/demand (50). Development of gardens not favoured (53). Good design important to sustainable development (56). Heritage assets to be protected (126-141).	CS11 – high standards of design. 40% affordable housing provision required.	The Neighbourhood Plan can help determine the housing mix locally for any new housing; can specify details relating to affordable housing to ensure local need is met; can specify design criteria and can seek to protect and enhance the design and setting of the historic environment, protecting important local buildings. Preferred sites to accommodate new development can be selected.	Does the community wish to identify sites for development? What buildings are listed as heritage assets locally? Do you want to afford protection to other buildings by preparing a 'local list'? In consultation people expressed concern over the degree of new housing proposed in the draft Local Plan and sought to ensure good quality in design and materials for any new homes. Balance of views between mirroring existing styles and introducing more modern buildings.
Natural Environment	Planning system should contribute to/enhance the natural environment (109)	CS8 - Access to open space, sport and recreation is a key element. Linkages between green spaces are	The Neighbourhood Plan will consider how it can protect and enhance the character and bio-diversity of the countryside.	What Local Green Space does the community wish to protect from development? Needs to be special, and have other characteristics such as it beauty; tranquillity; proximity to

Brownfield land to be prioritised	important.		village; size; access arrangements; historical
(111).		What open spaces should be	significance etc
	Conserving bio-diversity is important.	protected? What features should be	
Biodiversity to be		required in new developments? How	Do you wish to build environmental features
conserved/enhanced (118)	CS9 – development should mitigate	can development and actions	into new development (bio-diversity etc.?)
	against impacts on the environment.	contribute to sustainability issues such	
Identification of Local Green		as air pollution, climate change and	
Space (76-77).		water quality?	