

Update on Tarset and Greystead Neighbourhood Plan Spring 2013

Yes.....we are a little behind our planned schedule but your Neighbourhood Planning group has not been twiddling their fingers - we have been busy. There has been much to research and lots to digest!

As you read this edition of the Tarset News, your recently delivered questionnaires will either have been returned to [REDACTED] or will be waiting to be completed. If it is the latter, we urge you to take the time to fill it in **NOW**. If you need any help, please contact one of the group – we are very happy to assist.

It is really important that every person over the age of 16 lets us know your views / thoughts / ideas. We will use this information to truly reflect what our community wants to see happen in our parish over the next twenty years.

The deadline for the return of your completed questionnaire is **14th March 2013**. (A stamped addressed envelope addressed to [REDACTED] is included in the pack or if you prefer, you can leave your completed questionnaire in the box at the Hollybush.)

What next?

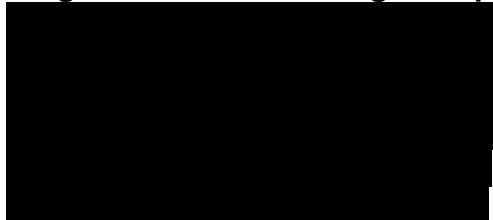
The information from the questionnaires, the community Open Day (January 2012) and comments by made the younger members of our Parish will be collated together with responses from businesses and formed into a Draft Neighbourhood Plan. The community will then be asked to comment on the Draft Plan. After any necessary amendments are made, the final plan has to be approved by an Independent Inspector.

It is then only adopted when a simple majority is achieved in a community referendum.

PLEASE MAKE THE TIME TO COMPLETE AND RETURN THE QUESTIONNAIRE!

Thank you.

Neighbourhood Planning Group



An archive of material has been set up for your reference on www.tarset.co.uk/planning

Neighbourhood Planning Update Summer 2013

First of all a very big thank you to all those who completed the questionnaires in March. The response was fantastic – we had a 67% return rate which shows just how much people care about the community and its future development. The survey results are now being analysed by [REDACTED], an independent research consultant, who will have presented her findings to the group by the time you read this.

We also welcome [REDACTED], an independent planning consultant based in [REDACTED] to our team, whose skills are already proving very useful and will become even more so when we start to draft policies.

Our community consultation continues with chats with Tarset and Greystead children attending both Greenhaugh First School and Bellingham Middle School to find out their views and wishes

for the future of the Parish. High School students have also been asked to contribute to this process.

To gather the views of businesses and other stakeholders we recently held a drop-in session for these groups and we are now in a position to start making some decisions about concerns and wishes that need to be included in the draft plan. This is not going to be a quick process and, whilst everyone is eager to get the plan in place, we are only too aware that we need to get it right first time. The steering group is drawing up a project plan for the remainder of the process and we do not envisage completion (final approval of the plan by the inspector) for perhaps 12 months, so please be patient!

During the coming months we will formulate and publish a Draft Neighbourhood Plan so that all residents, businesses and stakeholders can make comments and criticisms to ensure that what we are proposing reflects the majority of the community's views. The plan will then be redrafted to reflect comments before further consultation and then submission for final inspection. Once this is approved, the community will have a vote on its acceptance or not. A simple majority vote will mean the Neighbourhood Plan "is made" and it then becomes the primary planning document in consideration of planning applications.

[REDACTED] has kindly volunteered to be our secretary and minutes from all meetings will now be available on the website. (<http://www.tarset.co.uk/planning>) and any comments can be made to him or any member of the steering group.

Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group

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Tarset and Greystead Neighbourhood Plan

You are invited to a drop in session
at

Tarset Village Hall

Tuesday 22nd October 2013

anytime between 4.00pm and 9.00pm

It's your opportunity to view the Community's feedback from the questionnaire and make comments on the emerging themes.

Members of the steering group will be available to answer questions.

If you are unable to attend, you are invited to access the themes via www.tarset.co.uk from 23rd October. There will be a link for comments.

We look forward to seeing you.

Refreshments available

Tarset and Greystead Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
working on behalf of Tarset and Greystead Parish Council