

## Corsham Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Update – May 2016

Instead of sending out agenda and minutes (these are still available on our website – [www.corshamneighbourhoodplan.co.uk](http://www.corshamneighbourhoodplan.co.uk)) we thought it would be more useful to produce a short update so that you are aware of the progress we are making towards a Neighbourhood Plan for Corsham.

In the last few months the Steering Group has welcomed new members Councillor Julian Mitchell, Peter Tapscott, Tom Styles and, most recently, Councillor Neville Farmer. Consultants have also been engaged to help ensure that our plan is robust.

Recently we have been focussing on Character Assessments – we divided the town into 22 areas and sent teams out to note area specific details. The character assessments will be used to inform policies in the Neighbourhood Plan to help ensure that new development is designed in a way that is sympathetic to the character and appearance of Corsham and the surrounding villages.

We will be at the Summer Fete, at Springfield Recreation Ground on Saturday 11 June 12noon-4pm to share some of our findings from the Character Assessment work and to launch a children's poster competition. Also coming up is a survey of local businesses to ensure we are aware of any challenges and opportunities they face.

If you have any queries or wish to get more involved, please contact me on 01249 702130 (Wednesday to Friday) or email [kgilby@corsham.gov.uk](mailto:kgilby@corsham.gov.uk)

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