



Assessing the local character of each area



Protecting our rural lanes



Appreciating our local heritage

## Exciting News!

**Our updated Deepings Neighbourhood Plan has been submitted for final approval**

*Public responses to the revised Plan are invited by 14<sup>th</sup> September via the SKDC website*

During October and November 2019, everyone had an opportunity to comment on the *draft* Neighbourhood Plan and as a result of the public consultation, the Neighbourhood planning team has produced and submitted the updated and improved Plan.

We are a dedicated group of elected councillors from both Market Deeping Town and Deepings St. James Parish Councils who have been working collaboratively with specialist Advisors and members of the local community since 2016 to research and develop the policies that will shape the future of our neighbourhood.

The Neighbourhood Plan covers the joint areas of Market Deeping, Deeping St. James and Frognall. Both local councils have agreed to the Vision, Objectives and Policies contained within the revised Plan and are committed to its implementation.

Once approved by an External Examiner, all residents will be invited to vote (next spring) to accept the Plan. The Neighbourhood Plan will then be used for a number of purposes and is key to ensuring the Deepings area grows in a sustainable way. This will include decisions about future planning applications and community improvement projects.

Last year's public consultation received over 600 responses and the Neighbourhood Plan has been revised to reflect the key issues arising. Thank you for your participation and continued interest in the development of the Plan. Throughout the process, certain themes have remained a priority. Amongst the many comments we received, you said:

Ensure we have a variety of good homes

Keep the town and retail centres alive

Protect the character of the area

Save our green spaces for us to enjoy

Improve the roads and cycle paths

These themes are at the heart of the Plan and the submitted Neighbourhood Plan, with all its related Appendices and Supporting Documents is available to read on the South Kesteven website. **Simply open the SKDC site ([southkesteven.gov.uk](http://southkesteven.gov.uk)) and type *The Deepings Plan***

**into their search bar.** Alternatively, paper copies are available if you cannot access the internet – \*see below.



Church Street Deeping St. James

\*Reference hardcopies of the Proposed Submission Deepings Neighbourhood Plan are available for public inspection **via appointment** at the following locations during the consultation period.

**Market Deeping Town Hall** - Monday to Friday, 10.00 to 14.00, by appointment - call the Clerk Sarah Lydford 01778 343170.

**Deeping St James, the Institute** - Monday to Friday 10.00 to 14.00. by appointment - call the Clerk Julie Fortnum 01778 343266.

**Deepings Community Centre** - Monday to Friday 9.00 to 17.00 - call to check the office prior to attending 01778 381770.

Representations are encouraged via email, however postal returns to the SKDC Planning Policy Office will still be accepted.