

# Neighbourhood Development Plan

## REFERENDUM 28.09.17

So, by now all parishioners should have received a polling card for the above referendum.

Your ballot paper, either on your postal vote or in the polling station (@ Bishopsteignton Community Centre, Shute Hill) will read as follows...



***“Do you want Teignbridge District Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Bishopsteignton to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?”***

You may be wondering, what does that mean? What is it all about? Or, what am I voting for/against? How should I vote? Here are a few facts which could help....

**A Neighbourhood Plan** provides the opportunity for communities to set out a positive vision for how they want their area to develop over a period of time. These communities can address issues related to land use and development through policies in their Neighbourhood Plan. Over the last 5 years a dedicated team in Bishopsteignton have consulted widely and created this plan and the policies within to suit the needs of the local community and its people. This plan has passed scrutiny from the Independent Examiner and it is now up to parishioners to vote to enable its adoption for use.

**If more people vote ‘yes’** than ‘no’ in this referendum, then Teignbridge District Council will use the Neighbourhood Development Plan to help it decide planning applications in the parish of Bishopsteignton. Once ‘made’ (adopted) it will then be used alongside the Teignbridge Local Plan providing the guidance required for Bishopsteignton Parish Council (current and future members) to represent the community in considering Planning Applications; informing their view and determining their recommendations.



### **The BNDP policies are:**

- Housing and Residential
- Enterprise and Economy
- Community Facilities
- Access and Infrastructure
- Conservation and Environment
- Biodiversity, Sustainability and Climate Change.

With the Neighbourhood Plan in place the Parish will become eligible to receive 25% of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) on certain developments. This levy can be used to enhance and improve the community you live in and its facilities such as play facilities and green open spaces, road safety and car parking, etc.

To view the final draft plan please visit [www.teignbridge.gov.uk/bishopsteigtonnp](http://www.teignbridge.gov.uk/bishopsteigtonnp) or, view a paper copy in the Parish Council office Tuesday or Thursday 10 to 12.

If you need more information please don't hesitate to email [bishopppc@btconnect.com](mailto:bishopppc@btconnect.com)