

Input to Wellesbourne & Walton News – September Edition



Neighbourhood Plan team nears completion of first round engagements

The Neighbourhood Plan team had another successful engagement session with residents at the Walton Fete in early August with a good turnout despite the early rain. A raffle ticket was given to everyone who provided comments at our stall with the prize for the winning ticket, which was drawn by Lady Hamilton, being afternoon

tea for two at Walton Hall. The feedback we received has now been added to that already accumulated from the earlier Wellesbourne Street Fayre and the School Fete, plus also from discussions with the various organisations and businesses that are active within our villages. An overall picture is beginning to emerge as to what our community sees as the main issues affecting us, along with preferences for the future of villages. We will now be undertaking one last “Open Forum” session on Monday 1st September at Chedham’s Yard, between 3pm and 7pm. Come along if you can and see what we have accomplished so far and add your own views to the many that have already contributed!

Once this first round of engagements is completed, the Neighbourhood Plan team will start the task of preparing a questionnaire, based on all the feedback that we have received. This questionnaire will take the form of an on-line survey that will be directed to all residents, organisations and businesses in order to get a comprehensive view on the likes, dislikes and wishes for the future of our village. You will be seeing a lot of advertising in the run-up to the launch of the questionnaire, which will most probably take place from late October and run for about 6 weeks. More on this in subsequent months!

The other significant milestone that the team has achieved in the past month is to gain the agreement of the Parish Council that the Neighbourhood Plan should cover the entire Parish of Wellesbourne and Walton. Following discussions with Charlecote Parish, it has been decided not to include the HRI site within the Plan area. A letter has now been sent to Stratford District Council requesting them to give approval to the formal setting up of our Neighbourhood Plan. This will involve a 6 weeks consultation process and will include a notice inviting comments that will be placed in the Stratford Herald.

If you want to be kept aware of what we are doing or would like to become involved in our work, then please leave a message on our website www.w-w-w.org.uk or send an email to info@w-w-w.org.uk.

Make sure you have your say on the future of our villages!