How is the plan prepared?

When we've gathered everyone's thoughts, the Neighbourhood Plan group will draft a Plan for Datchet. This may include proposals for improvements, new facilities, the allocation of key sites for specific kinds of development, and any projects you have identified. After a public consultation, it will be submitted to RBWM Council which will arrange an independent examination of the plan and hold a referendum, giving everyone in the village the chance to say 'yes' or 'no' to the plan. If it's successful, it will form part of the statutory development plan for Datchet.

Can you help?

Would you like to help with the creation of Datchet's Neighbourhood Plan and with consultation events? If you run a local group, could you help us by sending information to your group?

GET IN TOUCH Datchet Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, c/o Datchet Parish Council, 1 Allen Way, Datchet SL3 9HR Email: DatchetNP@ datchetparishcouncil.gov.uk DATCHET'S NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN NEEDS YOUR HELP

Please tell us:

- What do you like about Datchet?
- What do you not like?
- What would you change?
- What would you keep?

NO PLAN doesn't mean NO DEVELOPMENT it means NO CONTROL



With your help, we aim to

- **PROTECT** what we all love about Datchet
- **INTEGRATE** the new with the old
- ENHANCE village life for us all

FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

What is a Neighbourhood Plan?

The Government is encouraging all local communities to produce their own Neighbourhood Plan to create a vision of how we'd like our environment to develop in the next 10-20 years. The aim is to pass some aspects of decision-making from central government to local government and then to local communities, to give us more influence over the development process.

A Neighbourhood Plan will allow us to say how we'd like to see new development designed and located, and our heritage protected

What can a Neighbourhood Plan do?

A Neighbourhood Plan is about the use and development of land. It can guide future development, regeneration and conservation in Datchet. It will allow us to say, as a community, how we'd like to see any new development (residential, commercial, business), designed and located, and how we'd like our heritage to be safeguarded.

THIS IS OUR PLAN It's a chance for all of us to say how we see Datchet's future

Datchet's Neighbourhood Plan can only consider topics which are part of the Local Authority's planning process, such as housing, recreation, infrastructure and new facilities, taking into account social and economic issues. It can identify issues of a non-planning nature, such as traffic management or street cleaning, as separate projects.



"A Neighbourhood Plan can't stop development <u>but</u> it does allow us to have a say in that development"

What can't it do?

A Neighbourhood Plan must have regard to National Policies, such as the expansion of Heathrow Airport. It can't promote less development than the Borough Local Plan, and its scope is limited by the flood zone, Green Belt and Conservation Area.

It can't change the Borough Local Plan and it can't do anything about planes, trains or flood schemes <u>but</u> it can shape future development in Datchet

Whose plan is it?

This will be our plan. It's a chance for all of us to share our views on topics such as:

- Maintaining and improving the character of Datchet
- Housing and infrastructure needs
- Safeguarding our environment and open spaces and their biodiversity
- Protecting our heritage
- Encouraging local businesses and shops