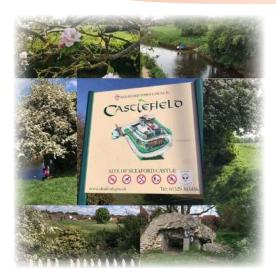
## Get on board and help plan for the future of Sleaford

"We need to protect historical sites in Sleaford."



"We need more green open space."

"There are no good shops in Sleaford, I'd rather go to Lincoln."

"Low paid jobs or no jobs!"





"I really want to stay in Sleaford, but I cannot afford to buy a new house."

"Town is gridlocked AGAIN!!"

## What is a Neighbourhood Development Plan?

A Neighbourhood Development Plan (commonly referred to as a Neighbourhood Plan) gives people like ourselves a real say in how our community develops, the way that land is used for housing, business, shops and leisure. It can also protect green spaces and influence the design of buildings and estates. Local people play a major role in making the Plan. It is part of their democratic right granted by the Localism Act.

The Plan has to be agreed through a local referendum. It may take a year or 2 to complete. The Neighbourhood Plan will have a legal force and must be followed by North Kesteven

District Council when making planning decisions.

## Why should we care?

Are we up for taking part in some tough decisions about the future of the town? Things like type and design of new housing, jobs created, shopping developed and play spaces increased.

Or do we let those decisions be made elsewhere?

The Sleaford Neighbourhood Plan will be this community's chance to make these important decisions locally, and to strongly influence how future planning applications are decided. The more people that get involved, the better chance there is of making this a brilliant Plan for Sleaford!

There is some 'small print': the Neighbourhood Plan must be realistic. It's not about stopping development. It's really about making local land-use choices, which the whole community will have to support through a referendum. It must also fit within the National Planning Policy Framework and North Kesteven's Local Plan (Central Lincolnshire Local Plan)







## How you can get involved

- Help decide what should be in the Plan by taking part in online workshops, drop-in sessions, exhibitions and surveys.
- Keep up-to-date via the dedicated web-site, posters, press.
- Talk about the Plan with friends and neighbours spread the word!
- Contribute your ideas and suggestions.
- Comment on the draft Plan before it goes off for inspection and we all vote on it.
- Join a working party that focuses on a particular topic that interests you.
- Volunteer practical help to create the Plan such as delivering leaflets, helping with the website, creating videos, taking pictures.
- If you have time to spare...volunteer to serve on the Neighbourhood Plan working group to help manage the process.





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