

# PARISH PLANS

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## Parish Plans

- Government's 2000 RWP set the context for supporting and encouraging parish councils and local communities
- An opportunity for communities to decide what they want to do and tools to help them do it
- Decisions affecting communities are more likely to stick if local people have a hand in making them, bottom up approach

## Parish Plans

- Local Action Plan
- A tool to influence –
  - Community Strategies
  - Village Design Statement element may be adopted as supplementary Planning Guidance
- Managing Change *not* reacting to it
- Comprehensive and holistic
- Involving the whole community

## Parish Plans - Benefits

- Common vision
- An active village – volunteering developed
- Empowered individuals
- Funding and prioritising resources
- Can help to influence policy
  - Supplementary Planning Guidance
  - Supplementary Planning Document

## Supporting Parish Plans

- Bridging – Strengthening the links to the LDF – Local Development Framework, Community Strategies and Service Planning.
- Funding – funding for producing Parish Plans
- Support – from the private, public and voluntary/community sector
- Learning and Networking
- Advice and Support

## Parish Plan Grants in Context

Nationally – 592 supported with £2,715,204 granted

South East – 83 supported with £383,845 granted

Hampshire – 7 schemes supported with £26,817 granted

Currently no Parish Plan applications from Hart District

## Parish Plans

- A wide range of communities and sizes, but particularly smaller rural communities
- Parishes that have not previously done community planning
- Parishes where the Parish Council is aiming for Quality Parish Status
- Parishes where the majority of the work will be undertaken by the community and NOT consultants
- Districts where Parish Plans are a priority of the LA through the Community Strategy and Local Development Framework

## Priorities continued

- Applicants will also need to demonstrate:
  - - A willingness to consider working with neighbouring parishes
  - - A use of a wide range of socially inclusive techniques
  - - That they have attempted to involve the LA
  - - That an attempt to raise alternative funding has been made

ANY QUESTIONS ??????