

2017

Early in the New Year:

- 6 week Consultation on the draft Neighbourhood Development Plan
- Review the outcomes and make any necessary amendments

Spring:

- 6 week Consultation on the final version of the Plan
- Examination of the Plan by an independent Examiner
- Consideration of the Examiner's comments and make any necessary changes

Summer:

- Final approval by SODC and then ...
- Referendum – if the Referendum is successful our Plan will be part of the SODC Local Plan



Watlington
Neighbourhood
Development Plan



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*Like Christmas...
some things are
worth waiting for!*



News Review 2016

Against a backdrop of uncertainty ...

- 3,500 new homes are planned for Chalgrove airfield
- Local residents say that the development would destroy the rural character of the whole area and lead to traffic chaos
- A developer now has permission to build 400 houses at Benson which will increase the size of the village by about 30% and more houses are likely
- Permission has also been given for many more new homes at Chinnor than was wanted
- Huge pressure for development in the county means that South Oxfordshire is being asked to build nearly 5,000 homes to help out Oxford City
- We still can't be sure how many new homes we need to build in Watlington but it will be at least 200 and likely to be more
- We don't know what decision will be made by SODC on the planning application for 100 new homes on land right next to Watlington but actually in Pyrton Parish

... progress is being made.

- The draft of our Neighbourhood Development Plan is coming together well and is supported by SODC
- We are well ahead with the process of selecting preferred sites for development
- We have managed to get funding for further traffic impact analysis and modelling
- We have had several meetings with interested developers
- We are liaising with our neighbouring villages
- We are meeting with the HCA (the Government agency which is proposing the development at Chalgrove) to make sure that, if it goes ahead, Watlington is not disadvantaged

Season's Greetings

from the Watlington Neighbourhood
Development Plan Forum

We're almost there!

The Draft Plan will be ready for you to see
early next year – we need to know what
you think of it – remember it's **YOUR** plan.

Our priority is to make sure that Watlington stays a great place to live by including plans to:

- ★ improve traffic and parking
- ★ protect our environment
- ★ provide a good mix of housing, including new, affordable, homes
- ★ include new green spaces
- ★ provide new areas for sport and recreation
- ★ support the High Street and local shops
- ★ enhance Watlington as a centre for tourism, business and a wide range of services and facilities supporting our local communities.

**2017 is an important year for
Watlington. Make **YOUR** resolution
to follow the Plan as we approach
referendum day.**

