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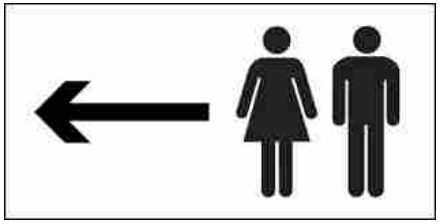
Welcome to the 2022 Annual General Meeting

Domestic Arrangements

- Help yourselves to tea/coffee at the rear of the hall



- Toilets – go through the door on the left had side of the screen – walk down the short corridor. Toilets are on the left and right hand sides

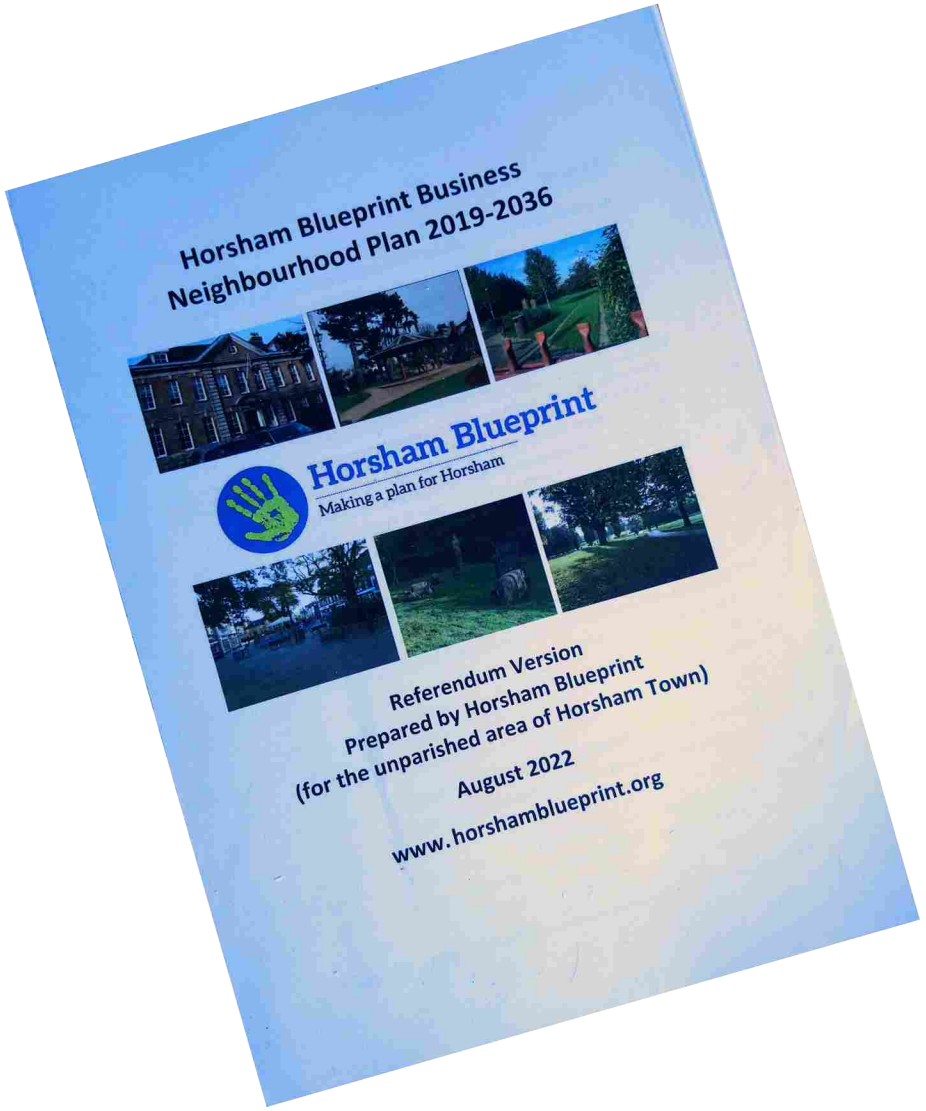


- In case of fire – fire exits at the front and rear



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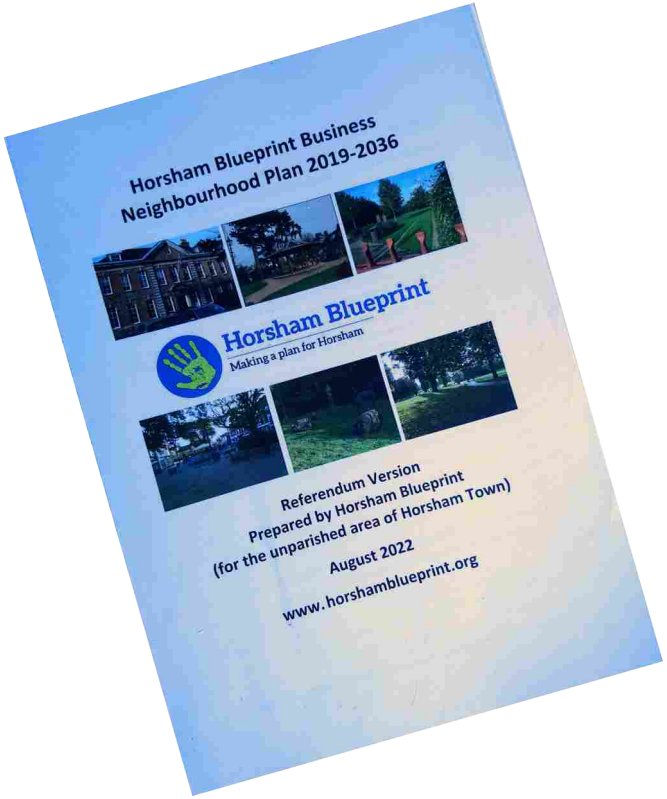
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AGENDA

1. Welcome / Introductions / Apologies for absence

2. Minutes of the last meeting:

   - Approval

   - Actions arising

3. Chair's Report

4. Next Steps

   - "Making the Plan" HDC full council meeting 14 December 2022

   - Monitoring the plan

5. Treasurer's Report

6. Election of Steering Committee

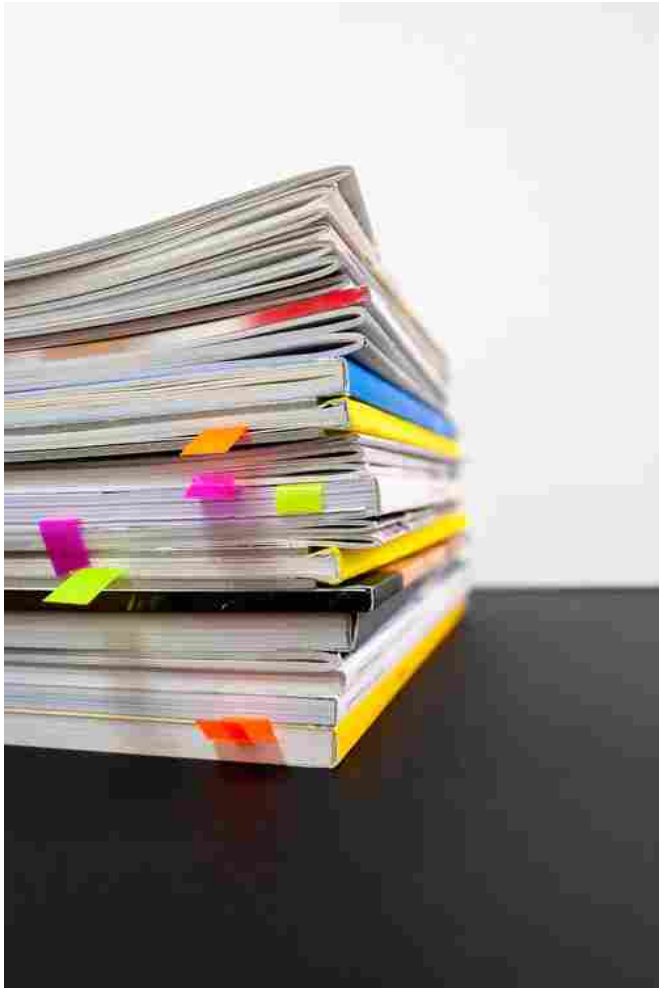
   All of the Steering Group are elected annually.

7. Election of Officers

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Chair’s Report



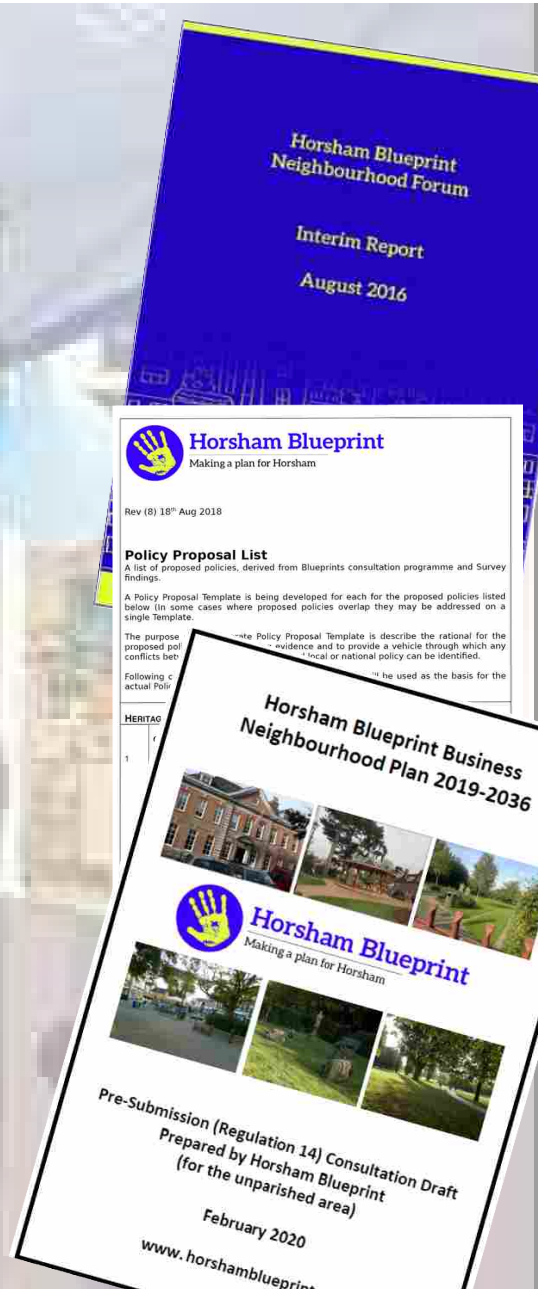
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timeline

2014 2015 2016 2017 2020 2021 2022

- 2014 neighbourhood councils – consulted with Horsham civic societies about the need a neighbourhood forum
- 2015 (Summer) forum and area designated by HDC
- extensive local consultation
- 2016 publication of interim report and online questionnaire 2016 - **over 300 responses** – validating interim report
- 2017 - 2019 Policy development
- 2019 -consultant appointed to draft plan
- 2020 – (Feb / March) publication of draft plan and reg 14 consultation (inc. presentation to Horsham BID) - **147 responses** (online survey and written)
- 2020 - (June) revised plan submitted to HDC (& associated documentation:
  - Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Report
  - Local Green Spaces Review
  - Sustainability Statement



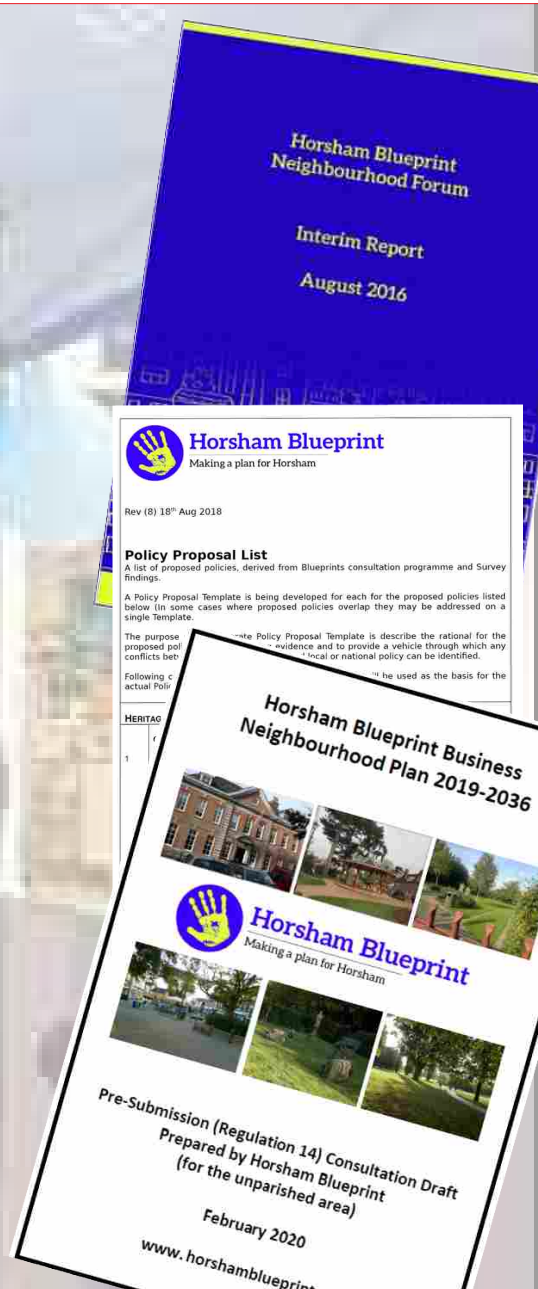
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- 2020 – (June) Re- designation of Horsham Blueprint
- 2020 – (Summer) HDC Plan “fact check”
- 2020 – Sept to Nov Regulation 16 Consultation by HDC (16 responses)
- 2020 - (December) Submission to External Examiner
- 2021 – (Feb) Examiners report
- 2021 - HDC Decision Notice????
- ~~2022 – Jan / Feb Referendum~~
- 2022 - 20th Oct 2022 Referendum

Note: HDC actions over Summer/ Autumn 2020 delayed because of COVID 10



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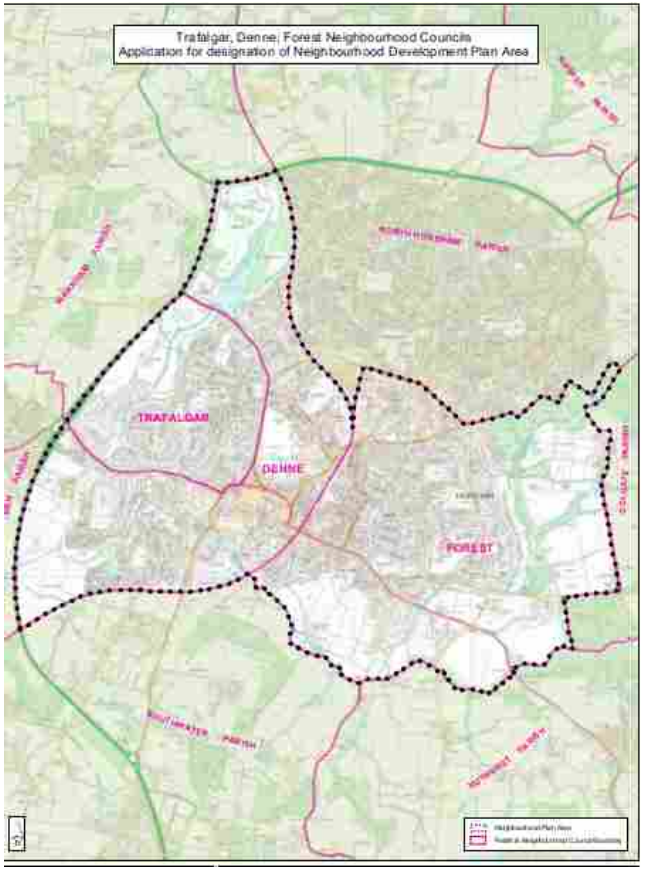
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The Referendum

Do you want Horsham District Council to use the Horsham Blueprint Business Neighbourhood Development Plan for Denne Neighbourhood Council, Trafalgar Neighbourhood Council and Forest Neighbourhood Council to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood areas?

Business		**In favour**
Votes Cast	21	90.47%
Residents		
Votes Cast	2614	84.82%





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Monitoring the Plan

So what happens next ?

Unless formally dissolved Horsham Blueprint Neighbourhood Forum will continue to exist until August 2025

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Now the plan is made – what's Blueprints role?

Monitoring the plan

- checking that planning applications comply with the policies detailed on the plan and are consistent with the Objectives of the Plan (all 9 of them).

Proactively encouraging the AIMs

- Support for Housing Cooperatives (AIM 1)
- Locally Listed Heritage Assets and Conservation Areas (AIM 2)
- Aspirational Development Sites (AIM 3)

Revising the plan (eg to take account of HDC Local Development Plan)

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How will all this be funded?

Limited funding availble to:

Any groups who are updating or modifying a made plan can apply for the funding again in full, ie Blueprint will be eligible for the basic grant of £10,000

however,

if the revision includes the allocation of sites for housing second time round OR **include design codes** then that would entitle Blueprint to an additional grant AND technical support as well.

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So what are the options?

Option 1

Do nothing & wind up Blueprint

Potential Advantages:

- None

The potential disadvantages of which are:

- Plan will fall into into disuse
- Planning applications unlikely to be checked against the Plan's Objectives
-The three AIMs will not be championed

7 years of potentially wasted effort !

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Option 2

Maintain Blueprint, but devolve certain activities (eg reviewing planning applications) to the Neighbourhood Councils

Potential Advantages

- Option for Blueprint to review planning applications meeting certain criteria (eg size, employment type etc)
- Blueprint can focus on delivering the Plans AIMs & Objectives and reviewing the Plan
- Efficient use of limited resources (eg Blueprint & Neighbourhood Councils not reviewing all planning applications)
- Help to maintain the partnership between Blueprint and the Neighbourhood Councils. Possibility of maximising the benefits / influence of the plan

Potential Disadvantages

- Labour / resource intensive

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Option 3

Maintain Blueprint and retain all functions

Potential Advantages

- Largely as Option 2

Potential Disadvantages

- Very labour / resource intensive.

- Risk of being disengaged fron Neighbourhood Councils (particulay if the Steering Group membership changes)

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Steering Commitee recomends -

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