

## BNP CHAIRMANS REPORT – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023

In my December report, I outlined the process being undertaken following the conclusion of the statutory '6 week consultation period'.

In co-operation with the team at Plan-et, we are currently finalising a draft copy of the 'Consultation Statement' which when completed, will be circulated to the members of the BNP committee for their review and suggestions prior to its meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> January. (The 'Plan-et' team have been invited to attend to assist in our review).

The main item on the agenda will be to discuss in greater detail the 'statements' content and for the committee to agree its recommendations to be included in a formal report to the BPC meeting in February.

When any changes in the 'Consultation Statement' have, in consultation with our advisors, been approved by the BNP Committee it will be proposed that the Council formally adopt the Consultation Statement.

Following the 'Consultation Statement's' formal adoption we will then proceed to the 'Submission' phase of the BNP.

Councillor Stephen Wildin  
Chairman, Botley Parish Neighbourhood Planning Committee.

For reference:

This document and its appendices, together with the supporting technical documents, will be submitted to Eastleigh Borough Council for examination (Regulation 15). Eastleigh Borough Council will appoint an independent examiner and undertake a further consultation (Regulation 16).

Following examination and subject to approval from the examiner, Eastleigh will carry out a referendum in the Neighbourhood Area (Botley Parish) and, if the Neighbourhood Plan is agreed by a simple majority of those who vote, the Plan will be "made" by Eastleigh Borough Council and will form part of the Local Plan against which planning applications will be assessed.

Throughout this process, our task will be to advertise as far and as wide as we can, informing the community that this referendum is in progress.

Any updates received, will be circulated to all Council Members