

NACRE Neighbourhood Plan Day – 25th May 2017

Presentations and workshop sessions – 10.15 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.

What development plans are covering your neighbourhood currently? Happy with that? Do they reflect the kind of aspirations you have for your neighbourhood and do they address sufficiently the issues and opportunities you know are there ?

10.15 – 10.30 Arrival and coffee

10.30 – 10.40 Introduction to **NACRE**, introduction of speakers and to our event

10.45 – 11.30 **Speaker: David Breakwell**, former Director of Planning at Staffordshire Moorlands District Council:

- Why make one? The status of a made Neighbourhood Plan within the development planning framework and how a Neighbourhood Plan benefits a community
- The historical context of the Neighbourhood Plan
- How Communities approach the making of a Neighbourhood Plan
- How to write policies when developing Neighbourhood Plan content.

11.30 – 11.40 Coffee

11.40 – 12.20 Group activity:

- What is protecting your community at the moment?
- Neighbourhood Plan expectations
- Challenges facing your community
- Initiating a Neighbourhood Plan

12.20 – 13.00 **Speaker: Richard Hollingum**, Northamptonshire Biodiversity Records Office

- on using the Northamptonshire Biodiversity Records Centre to identify existing important environmental sites in your neighbourhood
- how to consider Biodiversity issues within the neighbourhood plan process.

13.00 – 14.15 Light Lunch

14.15 – 14.45 **Speaker: Rebecca Breakwell**, NACRE Rural Officer

- on applying for funding from Locality
- how to organise community engagement events to achieve a high level of community participation
- how to keep the momentum and enthusiasm through the Neighbourhood Planning process

14.45 – 15.00 Close and farewell