

# MARPLE NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM NEWS – Number 18: January 2018

Hello Members and Friends,

Happy New Year and welcome to our first newsletter of 2018!

## Draft Plan

As highlighted in our last newsletter, this month the Management Committee have now been able to go through a first draft of the full plan. Inevitably there is much work still to do and a number of areas where we need more information and more drafting. We are currently revising this draft and will publish a second draft on which we will start to consult more widely.

## A Reminder: Our Forthcoming consultation events

We had hoped to display the draft plan and invite comments and reaction sometime in January, but this is now going to be at the beginning of March, as we have a lot of work to do and all in our spare time!

We still plan to have a stall in Market Street at Easter, when hopefully the weather is warmer!

The next open day is still planned for April, with the aim of bringing elements of the plan to life with pictures, designs and explanations, rather than just words.

## Focus Groups

These will be going ahead in January and we have volunteers who have agreed to join us. If you meant to volunteer and forgot it is still not too late!

## Other activities

We have made contact with the two other local Neighbourhood Plan teams. One is in High Lane and the other covers Marple Bridge, Mellor, Mill Brow and Compstall. These two teams are still in their infancy but we all feel it is important to start to co-ordinate what we are doing. In addition, we hope the Marple team can help the others with our experience to date; what's worked and what's not worked!

## CONTACT US

There is a variety of ways in which you can get in touch or comment on our work. You can get involved by giving your views using this method or use one of the others; our facebook page, which you should find under "Our Marple Plan"; our website which tells you other ways of contacting us and contributing to the debate about what should be in the Neighbourhood Plan. You can visit our website at [ourmarpleplan](http://ourmarpleplan.co.uk). You can also contact us by e-mail at [info@ourmarpleplan.co.uk](mailto:info@ourmarpleplan.co.uk). **There is also a post box in Marple Library where you can leave us written communications in the traditional way.**

We welcome your views, opinions, comments and feedback and encourage everyone to get involved. Please mention the Forum to your neighbours.