# Hadley Wood Neighbourhood Planning Forum 'supporting sustainable development, preserving our local character and natural environment'

# Communication and consultation report September 2020

#### A. Progress to date (the Consultation Statement)

The Forum was established in 2014, with 80 residents, councillors, local businesses, attending a public meeting in June.

The constitution was approved at the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

An on-line survey was conducted in June 2015, with over 100 responses. The results were presented at the meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> June.

The Neighbourhood Forum was designated by Enfield Council at its meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> July 2015.

A Planning Workshop was held on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2015, facilitated by Tony Burton, an independent planning consultant. Those unable to attend were able to submit responses to the workshop questions on-line.

The results of the workshop were presented at the meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> January 2016, with the full report circulated on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

The forum meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> April 2016 reviewed draft character assessments and first draft policies.

Further discussion of policies took place at the forum meetings of 13<sup>th</sup> June, 12<sup>th</sup> November, and 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016 (as part of the HWA AGM).

The forum met on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2017. A committee was established, with an initial focus to apply for grant funding and appoint a professional planning consultancy to facilitate the production of the Neighbourhood Plan and to prepare detailed planning policies (for review by the forum and for public consultation).

The grant application was approved in August 2017, tenders were requested from Planning Consultants, and the committee selected Troy Planning as our partner.

The inception meeting with the consultant was held on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

Draft 1 of the Plan was reviewed by a team of residents in the summer of 2018.

Draft 2 of the Plan was published on the Hadley Wood Association website (Neighbourhood Planning Forum page) in December 2018 and shared with Enfield Council.

Additional grant funding was received for 2018/19 and 2019/20.

Draft 4 of the plan was published in December 2019.

Draft 5 of the plan was published in May 2020.

The Draft Regulation 14 Summary of the Neighbourhood Plan was circulated to the committee and a core group of residents for comment in June 2020.

(The current review team comprises around 21 more active members of the Planning Forum, including the committee, representatives of the Hadley Wood Association, Neighbourhood Watch and St Paul's Church, and members of Hadley Wood Security, the Rail User Group, the Tennis and Golf Clubs, and our local historian).

An application for Technical Support was submitted on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

Professional planning resources were allocated to the Planning Forum to independently produce the Hadley Wood Heritage and Character Assessment.

Quarterly planning meetings were established between Enfield Council, the Hadley Wood Neighbourhood Planning Forum, and the Hadley Wood Association.

Enfield Council's detailed response to the draft Neighbourhood Plan was received in July 2019, offering constructive advice and support.

An update presentation was made to Hadley Wood residents in July 2019, with a further update in November at the Hadley Wood Association AGM.

### B. Communication and engagement strategy

The Neighbourhood Forum has provided regular communication updates in 19 editions of the Hadley Wood News, from March 2014 to May 2020. The Hadley Wood News is delivered free to over 1700 households in Hadley Wood and in the neighbouring areas of Monken Hadley and Hadley Highstone. PDF versions are available on the Hadley Wood Association website.

The draft Neighbourhood Plan and other supporting documents are available on the Hadley Wood Association website at;

http://www.hadleywood.org.uk/neighbourhood-planning-forum.html

Regular emails are sent to members of the forum, and to other interested parties. Local community groups including the Hadley Wood Association, Rail User Group, and Neighbourhood Watch all share notifications of meetings and progress so that we can reach the widest possible local audience.

Meetings are advertised in the local press, on social media, and by posters placed around Hadley Wood.

Annual Forum updates are part of the Hadley Wood Association AGM.

The Forum has had stalls at the Hadley Wood Primary School fete.

## C. Regulation 14 Consultation (Delayed pending re-designation of the Planning Forum)

Regulation 14 Public Consultation of Draft 5 of the Neighbourhood Plan is scheduled to run from the week commencing Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2020 until Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2020 (a period of 7 weeks).

The Regulation 14 'Boards' will be published in the August edition of the Hadley Wood News, available on-line at the HWA website, and displayed on notice boards around Hadley Wood. The consultation will also be communicated by email and WhatsApp from local community groups.

Feedback Forms are available to download from the HWA website, or as hard copies by request. Feedback forms or free format comments can be submitted by email or by post.