

## North Tawton Neighbourhood Plan (Pre Submission Draft)

*“Embracing the past, planning the future”*

### Tell us what you think

Over the past few years a group of volunteers has been helping the Town Council prepare a Neighbourhood Plan for our town and the surrounding parish. A questionnaire was delivered to every household in the parish in 2014 seeking views on what was needed for North Tawton in the future, and what was important to conserve from the past. Since then, there have been several public consultation events at which we've presented the findings of the questionnaire, taken further comments into account and developed policies on housing development, protecting the environment and building the economy of the town.

We now have a draft Neighbourhood Plan ready to be submitted to West Devon Borough Council, but before we do that we want to get your views, so we know we are on the right track and that you agree with the strategy we have developed on your behalf.

This stage in the process is known as the **Regulation 14 consultation**. It's the formal opportunity for residents, local businesses, land owners and statutory bodies to see the plan as a whole and to give us any comments before it goes to the next round of consultation which will be run by West Devon Borough Council. In due course, the whole community will be asked to vote on the plan and, if approved, it becomes part of the statutory Development Plan for the area and will be used to guide any future development in North Tawton.

So, it is important that you look at the document now, and give us any comments you might have – positive or negative – before we move to the next stage. Or you can simply tell us you support the plan. You have **from 12 noon on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2017 until 5 p.m. on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018** to make comments and send/deliver them to the Council Offices, 14a The Square, North Tawton

#### Where can you find the draft plan?

- online on the North Tawton Council website: [www.northtawtontowncouncil.co.uk](http://www.northtawtontowncouncil.co.uk)
- during working hours in the Town Council offices, 14a the Square, North Tawton
- during opening hours at key public venues including the waiting rooms at the medical and dental surgeries, the cafes and public houses, the hairdressing salons and at Okehampton Library

#### How can you give us your comments?

- On the comment form accompanying this letter
- On the comment forms available in the public venues alongside the draft plan
- Using the comment form that you can download from the North Tawton website
- There will be a drop-in session at **North Tawton Town Hall on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> January from 10 a.m. until 12 noon**. Come along and give us your comments or ask questions.

**Thank you**

*All comment forms must be returned to North Tawton Council Offices, 14a The Square, North Tawton  
by 5 p.m. on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018*