

**Progress with the Preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan for Churton
Update for Parish Council Meeting
13 May 2025**

Progress to Date

- April 2022 Initial Meeting of Working Group
- September 2022 Initial Consultation
- January 2023 Neighbourhood Area designated by CWaC
- June 2024 Grant Application submitted and approved July 2024
- Orders placed for 3 reports
 - Housing Needs
 - Natural Environment
 - Conservation Area Appraisal
- November 2024 Technical Support approved
 - Design Code
- March/April 2025 All reports completed

Next Steps

- Reports accepted by the Parish Council
- Upload reports to Parish Council website
- Invite residents to view reports using Newsletter/social media
- Parish Council to agree the outline of Neighbourhood Plan as set out below
 1. Introduction and Background
 2. Plan Structure
 3. Neighbourhood Plan Vision
 4. Objectives
 5. Strategy
 6. Policies
 - a. Homes to meet the Needs of the Village
 - b. Protecting the Built Environment
 - c. Local Facilities
 - d. Landscape and Environment
 - e. Employment
 - f. Transport and Communications
 7. Plan Delivery and Implementation
- Organise public meeting to report on progress and to seek comments

Interim Recommendation

- The Design Code is adopted by the Parish Council
- CWaC requested to use the Design Code when considering planning applications

Preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan

- Prepare draft for comments by Parish Council
- Share with residents and seek feedback (including public meeting)
- Finalise Draft Plan
- Pre-submission Consultation
- Submission to CWaC and Publicity
- Independent Examination
- Referendum
- Neighbourhood Plan Made