

Time for an update!

Firstly we have shuffled our timetable to make sure that we are hooked up to the District Council's Local Plan, which is being developed at the same time as our Neighbourhood Plan. Under the law, the two Plans must not contradict each other (there is no question of either being "subordinate" to the other) so it makes sense to work together where we can. Taking the numbers from Central Government, West Suffolk have to tell us the number of new houses that we will need to accommodate in our Plan; that won't happen until December so we are now looking at Spring 2022 to have our completed Neighbourhood Plan.

By the time you get this, we hope to have results from the Design work done by the Government funded Consultants, AECOM. As soon as we have the report we will share it with developers and West Suffolk planners as the basis for what will be in our Plan.

In the meantime, we still have plenty to do, and plenty is what we are doing! As you will know, we divided the Survey results into seven projects, to see what we can make happen now, what goes into the Plan as something for the future, and what we simply cannot do. Each month one of the project leads will have a piece in the Lakenheath Times, saying briefly who they are, what they are doing and progress to date. The first of these is about the Business in Lakenheath Project, and that is further on in this edition.

As always, we will try to keep the Neighbourhood Plan website, lakenheath.org up to date so you can see what is happening.

