



Dear Members

There has been quite a lot of activity since the newsletter we sent to you in March.

Our most recent Public Meeting was held on 15<sup>th</sup> March. We gave some feedback from our Planning Survey, which attracted 581 responses from local residents. Thank you for your support. Your comments are informing the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan, which is now well under way. Pupils from Knights Templar shared some of their work on how they see Baldock should develop in the future and they had some interesting ideas, reflecting environmental and social concerns. We also held a brief AGM of the group.

The Planning Group is moving into the next and exciting phase of the Neighbourhood Plan considering the Design of the new developments.

As part of the Government's support programme for neighbourhood planning, we are getting help from a specialist planning and design firm to help develop some clear principles for how the community would like the new developments to look, including how they can reflect the existing character of the town. As part of this we will be asking for views about the design of some different schemes at our stall at the Street Fair on 19<sup>th</sup> May. If you have some spare time on the day your assistance would be much appreciated to help us on the stall for half an hour or so, just gathering comments.

We look forward to seeing you at the stall if only to leave your own thoughts on these very important ideas for our next step.

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