Notes for PC meeting November 4th 2019:-

Consultation started October 7th and is now past the halfway mark - there are two weeks to go. Copies of the plan have been placed in the Hankelow village Hall, the Audlem Surgery waiting room, The Lord Combermere pub, St James' Church, the Audlem Public Hall Annex and Nantwich Library.

All documents can be downloaded from the Neighbourhood Plan Website, and Cheshire East have also posted a link to the plan on the Hankelow page of their Neighbourhood Plan Website.

Some 62 consultees were informed about the consultation by letter or Email. I have seen 11 responses by email – 4 of them were auto-responses, and of the others only one has a detailed comment so far, from United Utilities about the water mains near the allocated land by the Nook.

A drop-in was held on October 19th and was reasonably well attended with 32 people signing in. As a comparison, Buerton's had 19 attendees, and Newhall's around 50.

Next Steps.

After the close of the consultation on the 18th, the NPSG will hold a meeting to consider the comments received. The next step is to prepare a short report in conjunction with Cheshire Community Action (CCA) highlighting what comments were made, what changes are going to be made to the plan as a result and why.

We will then amend the plan and recheck that it is in line with CE and national policies, before getting CCA to produce a Basic Conditions Statement and help us to produce a Consultation Statement.

Finally we will submit the Plan to Cheshire East – this submission must include a map, a Consultation Statement, Basic Conditions Statement, confirmation that it meets legal obligations and a short environmental statement. After that CE will organise the final consultation and the Referendum.