

## Update Report on Hankelow Neighbourhood Plan

As reported at the last PC meeting our plan was withdrawn in early February after a complaint about the Site Options and Assessment report which had been provided by AECOM. It was decided to have the report updated and a new application for Technical Support to allow AECOM to do the necessary work had been approved .

“AECOM have completed the report and provided a draft, and we have given them feedback. They revised the report accordingly and were planning to submit it to Locality for final approval during the week of June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Once approved by Locality, the report will be published and we will be able to make any necessary changes to our plan. Based on the draft, very little will need to be changed.

“Once the changes are made our plan will be resubmitted for Regulation 16 consultation, after which the plan can proceed to the examination stage which would normally be followed by a referendum. However at the moment Regulations linked to the Coronavirus Act 2020 mean that no referendums can take place until 6 May 2021. This includes neighbourhood planning referendums, but plans which have passed the inspection stage will be given considerable weight in planning decisions”

John Durrant