

# SUTTON VALENCE PARISH COUNCIL

## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Sutton Valence Parish Council has agreed to prepare a neighbourhood plan and has applied to Maidstone Borough Council to designate the whole of Sutton Valence Parish as a “Neighbourhood Area” for the purposes of the plan.

Neighbourhood Plans were introduced by the Localism Act 2012 and are a new way of helping local communities to influence the planning of the area in which they live by developing a shared vision for land development in their area.

Our application, including a map of the proposed “Neighbourhood Area” can be viewed on the Sutton Valence Parish Council website at:

[www.suttonvalencepc.kentparishes.gov.uk](http://www.suttonvalencepc.kentparishes.gov.uk)

and on the Maidstone Borough Council website – [www.maidstone.gov.uk](http://www.maidstone.gov.uk) as well as on the village notice boards.

Meetings to which all parishioners were invited were held on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> October 2013 to introduce the idea of the Neighbourhood Plan and further consultation and discussion will take place throughout 2014.

To comment on the application to designate the Neighbourhood Area please contact the Spatial Policy Team, Maidstone Borough Council, Maidstone House, King Street, ME15 6JQ. Email [LDF@maidstone.gov.uk](mailto:LDF@maidstone.gov.uk)

Comments must be received between 2<sup>nd</sup> December and 5pm on Friday 10th January 2014. Maidstone Borough Council will publish its decision by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2014.

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