



The Story So Far



The Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) started off way back in 2013 when the Parish Council decided to investigate the possibility of an NDP that was now possible due to the passing of the Localism Act by central government.

A summary of the progress of the NDP is shown in the table below:-

Event	Date
Launch of the NDP at a public event in St Johns Hall	20 th March 2014
Fairground Exhibition and Report	7 th July 2014
Budgens Exhibition with public discussion sessions and Report	February 2015
Parish wide survey by questionnaire	April/ May 2015
Housing Needs Survey	April/ May 2015
Site Design Public Event	21 st Sep 2015
Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council approval of NDP and resolved for it to go forward for consideration	9 th October 2015
Pre-submission consultation	Nov/Dec 2015
Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council accepted the Plan and agreed for it to be submitted to WBC	11 th February 2016
WBC conduct their own consultation	March/April 2016
Independent Examiner conducts public examination of the NDP	August 2016
Examiner recommends that NDP does not proceed to referendum	October 2016
Parish Council asks WBC to wait before making a decision on the Examiner's recommendation	November 2016
A more detailed landscape assessment is conducted by independent consultant	January 2017
Parish Council ask WBC to submit the NDP to referendum	February 2017
WBC likely to consider request	9 th May 2017

It can be seen that a great deal of effort has been put in to produce an NDP that meets the majority of the community's wishes.