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Press Release – Coleshill Neighbourhood Plan 2015-30

The Neighbourhood Plan document is a significant piece of work which took a number of years to write, edit and publish. It is specific to Coleshill Town, designed to ensure the needs of the town and its residents are noted, respected and fulfilled wherever possible, up to the year 2030. This plan is the first one in Coleshill and therefore its aims and recommendations need to have a significant place in the decisions and work of the Town Council.

Six specific areas are identified in the plan, these being:

- Housing
- Town Centre Economy
- Employment & Businesses within Coleshill
- Environment
- HS2 Coleshill Corridor
- CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy).

The proposed allocation of responsibility for each area is allocated to committees within the Town Council's structure (see overleaf). There is no timescale or financial allocation that needs setting aside for this work but the Council has agreed to provide adequate funds and resources, as needed.

There are some priority aspirations for the Neighbourhood Plan:

- a. Improve safety & reduce congestion on Coleshill High Street**
- b. Improving parking facilities in Coleshill**
- c. Sustain Coleshill High Street**
- d. Improve traffic movement on Coleshill End Bridge**
- e. Preserve & improve footpaths**

These priority aspirations will need to be kept front of mind in all the Council's considerations of planning applications (see overleaf).

Key areas of Committee focus - Neighbourhood Plan 2015 – 2030

The overall responsibility for the delivery of the Neighbourhood Plan sits within the remit of the Planning Committee. However, the C & P and P & A committees of the Council are able to commit to the issues in the table below:

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Responsibility</u>
Housing	Various	Planning Committee
Local Economy	Including plans to sustain and develop the High Street, local businesses & employment.	C & P Committee
Local Environment	Including the Coleshill Conservation areas, listed building, historic features	Planning Committee
Local Environment	Plans to sustain and develop the High Street	C & P Committee
Cycle Paths	Various	WCC/ NWBC/ TVW/ Tourism Forum and C & P Committee
Replanting Coleshill Corridor	Various	HS2
CIL	Road crossing/cross roads	WCC
	Play areas for children	P & A Committee
	Environmental projects	C & P Committee
	Parking	NWBC /C & P Committee
	Cycle Routes	WCC/NWBC/TVW/C & P Committee

In order to minimise the risk of not achieving the aims and recommendations specified within the Neighbourhood Plan, the overall responsibility and lead needs to be assigned to the Planning Committee and made explicit to the Chairman of this Committee, going forward.

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