

SALHOUSE PARISH PLAN UPDATE **PARISH MEETING 19th APRIL 2008**

The Parish Plan Steering Group is now in the 3rd and final year of this large project. The Group continues to meet on average every 3 weeks and attendance is excellent. The comprehensive draft records of the meetings are in the public domain within 5 working days to maintain communication with the villagers. Reports to the Parish Council are made at each PC meeting and to other external bodies, as requested.

After the analysis of the data gathered from the Household Questionnaire an Open Day on 9th June 2007 at which the results and selected comments from all 142 questions were displayed, in full. The displays were of a high standard and accompanied by maps and booklets containing the full analysis.

Work commenced on Report writing in August and 2 external Reports were completed and distributed by October, namely the Highways Strategic Appraisal and the Footpath Report, both for Norfolk County Council. There have been further discussions with the Council and a number of significant results have emerged. A Conservation Area Enhancement Report, for Broadland District Council, is in the draft stages.

The draft Working Group reports and associated draft Action Plans were submitted to the Parish Council in December, no written comment was received. The Reports and Action Plans were also given to Broadland District Council in January 2008. A number of useful inputs were received and changes were made, as appropriate. At that stage Broadland also pledged its full support of the Parish Plan which was very welcome.

In January another Open Day was staged with the specific objective of publicising potential new groups and clubs that could be formed in the village. The Youth Club had already been formed and, as a result of the Open Day, History, 'ramblers' Carers, and Environment Enhancement Groups were formed as well as Wine, Gardening, and Book Clubs; a Grant Application Committee was also formed. Volunteers also signed up to Community Speedwatch which is now in operation.

Meanwhile, the writing of the Formal report continued, the main body which is 76 pages of which some 14 pages comprise the Action Plans. There are also 4 annexes. A 'proof' copy is scheduled for 24th/25th April and the actual printing is scheduled for the first week in May. The Formal Report for Households will be in black and white, for cost reasons, but the content will be the same as the colour version which is for external agencies. Distribution is will be in the 2nd week of May.

The Report and annexes will be displayed at the local and the Millennium libraries, and on the village website. A CD will be produced which will contain the colour version of the Report as well as the 4 annexes and will be for sale at a nominal £2 - £3.

Finally, an Open Meeting will take place on Saturday 31st May at which the findings can be discussed with the Steering Group and the newly formed Parish Council. Villagers will then be able to discuss the way forward for the Parish Plan with the Parish Councillors.

