

I am pleased to announce that there are plans to look at the future Masterplanning of Calne. The town council in partnership with Wiltshire Council are hosting a series of events aimed at local groups, land owners and residents to see what opportunities exist to plan future development for the town.

This was initiated in the town centre on Saturday 8th December, where a trailer exhibition displayed the Visions for Calne that a study had produced following earlier consultation. Members of the public who attended were able to feedback on the Visions and register their interest in future Masterplanning consultation. In mid January we are holding a series of events to involve the community at the Town Hall. These will provide an opportunity for the Calne community to influence future town development, to meet their needs but to take account of the limitations that exist, based on existing facility owners' constraints. The detail of the events are as follows:-

Wednesday 16 Jan	1900 to 2100	Opening session to set the context
Thursday 17 Jan	0930 to 1630	Town Centre and wider – a centre walking
	tour and strengths/weaknesses mapping workshop	
Saturday 19 Jan	1000 to 1600	Recap on Town outcomes and a renewable
	energy session	

In addition, later in February we plan to hold a housing workshop and to feed back on the findings from the consultation exercise.

This is an example of the Government's policy to seek greater local involvement in planning matters in practice. So I would urge as many of the members and attendees of this board to support the event and take the opportunity to have your say.