

ABOUT THE FORUM AND THE TITCHFIELD MATTERS WEBSITE

Hopefully, the following will clear up any misconceptions or confusion about the Forum and its purpose. Also, the purpose of the Titchfield Matters website.

The term Forum is short for the **Titchfield Neighbourhood Plan Forum**. Perhaps **TNPF** might be a better acronym. It is a Government recommended term.

In Titchfield, the **TNPF** is a group of not less than 21 people from different walks of life, background, abilities and ages who are guiding the Neighbourhood Plan through its stages.

The Forum/TNPF - was formally approved by Fareham Borough Council in March 2017.

The TNPF is consulting with residents throughout the process.

The idea of a Neighbourhood Plan came from a TVT initiative and at the start of the process the (as yet un-named) group guiding the process was a sub-group of TVT. However, as the TVT constitution did not meet the criteria of Fareham Borough Council (TVT charge a membership fee) they were not eligible to guide the Plan. TVT chose not to change its constitution. So, for the Plan to continue, the sub-group had to be separate from TVT, with its own constitution and accounts - and the **Titchfield Neighbourhood Plan Forum (TNPF)** came into existence. However, since then, TVT has held the funds of the Forum/TNPF - because TVT is a registered charity - and has provided the annual statements of account.

Currently 16 members of the 23 person TNPF are also TVT members.

If the Neighbourhood Plan is adopted following the referendum in the autumn, the TNPF will have done its job and will cease to exist - unless it is required to be involved in any follow-up actions.

The TNPF website - Titchfield Matters - is one of the tools used to convey information and provoke discussion about issues relating to the Neighbourhood Plan. The website will be examined along with all other documentation, as part of the assessment process when the Government adjudicators review the Plan.

Views, suggestions and comments about the Plan and the way the Forum/TNPF is managing the process are welcome and all are published unless they are offensive or anonymous. Views and comments about other organisations in Titchfield- unless clearly and directly related to a topic/thread - should be made directly to those organisations.

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