

Thank you for responding with eloquence and passion to TWBC.

Hundreds of responses opposing the 4,000+ new houses at Tudeley and East Capel have been received by the Local Plan team. A full report containing the responses will be published on the Local Plan [website](#) later this month. There are reports there from October 30th at present, which provide interesting pre-reading.

Let's give ourselves a moment to look back on the campaign so far. Haven't we done well? Renewed community spirit with friendships formed and strengthened, two very loud marches, three energetic public meetings, five successful fundraising events, lots of press coverage, thousands of petition signatures, reams of evidence gathered and hundreds of responses asking TWBC to Save Capel.

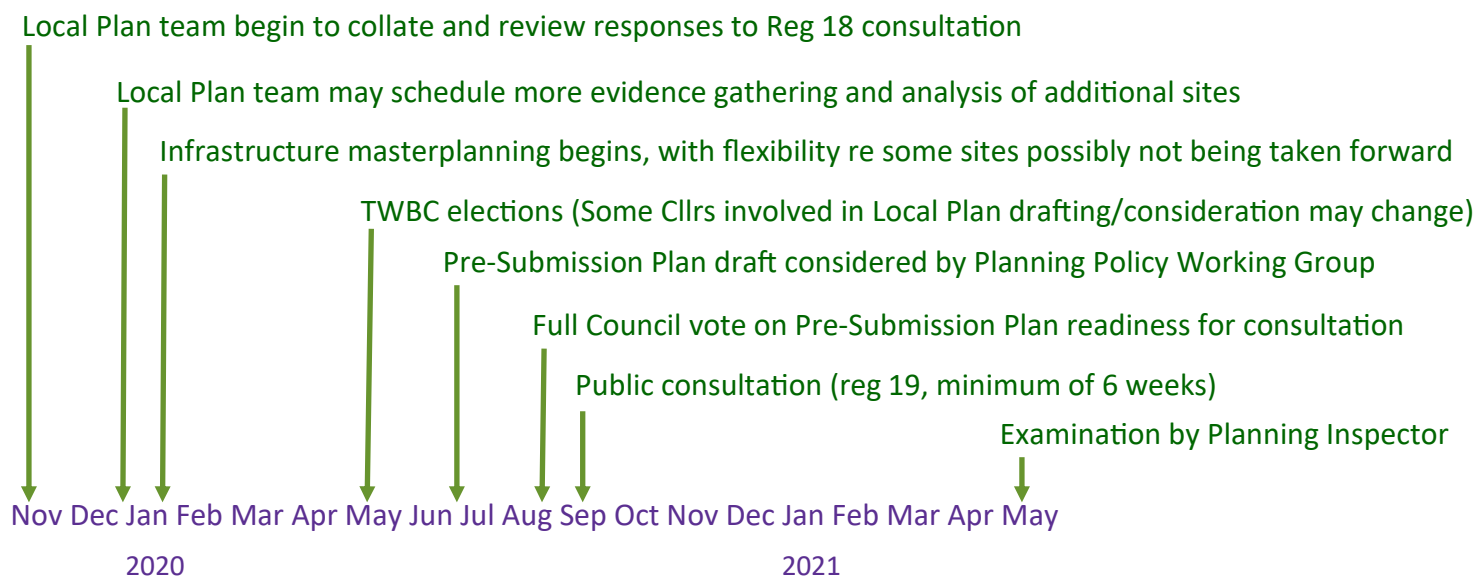
We have so much to be proud of. Thank you to all of our supporters, groups and teams for your energy, commitment, kindness, patience and good humour over the last five months. Thank you to Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council for welcoming us to your meetings and expressing your concerns so clearly. We are also grateful to Tom Tugendhat for his detailed, comprehensive letter to TWBC and to Greg Clark for meeting us recently. We look forward to meeting Ben Chapelard and Antonio Weiss before the General Election.

We will keep everyone updated over the winter via newsletters and social media. Please do keep emailing us via savecapel@gmail.com with suggestions, news clippings and new evidence to file/explore. The Petition is still active at savecapel.com, as is the Wildlife Register. We hope to see more signatures and data come through as we head in to 2020.

The timeline below shows indications of some the things to expect next year and beyond. They are indications only, as there are lots of variables that could affect the development of the plan.

The TWBC Planning Policy Working Group (PPWG), with all Councillors invited to attend (and many do) will consider, review and be part of the drafting of the next version of the Local Plan.

This will then go forward through the Planning & Transportation Cabinet Advisory Group and Cabinet for consideration. Then, Full Council will have the final decision on this Pre-Submission Local Plan and its readiness for Regulation 19 public consultation around September 2020.



Our *Brownfield Research Team* have published their interim report, which is now available to view at savecapel.com/links.

Do you know of any brownfield sites that they can research in the Borough of Tunbridge Wells?

Would you have a little time to spare to join the team?

Initial help would involve researching a given area online and then hitting the streets to visit sites in person and record information. It's a great opportunity to get out in to the countryside, looking for nice places for people to live. Every site found moves us a step closer to protecting Green Belt and providing housing in accessible and sustainable areas. Please email savecapel@gmail.com if you would like to get involved.



Capel Parish Council will be looking to set up a *Neighbourhood Plan* working group in the New Year.

As mentioned in the July Save Capel public meeting, the Neighbourhood Plan will enable knowledge and expertise from the Save Capel Landscape, Environment, Ecology, Heritage, Housing, Flooding & Sewerage, and Transport teams to work towards a longer term vision for the Parish of Capel.

Updates will be posted on the the CPC website, in Save Capel newsletters and at savecapel.com.



Capel Greenbelt Protection Society has submitted its application to become a registered charity and now has an operational bank account to support Save Capel in its endeavours.

CapelGPS will also support other projects across the Parish and in neighbouring Parishes with the aim of long term protection of the greenbelt. A presentation is available to view at savecapel.com/links.

Please visit Goldsmid Hall on Saturday 7th December for a beautiful, festive Save Capel Christmas Fair with craft, jewellery, card, candle, cake and Christmas wreath stalls and much more! Doors open at 2pm. £1 entry.

We would really appreciate some cakes for the cake stall. If you are able to bring a cake or can volunteer to help with the fair please email savecapel@gmail.com.

Thank you!



What could be better on a cold winter's morning than a piping hot cup of *Tudeley Tea*?

Our friends at Reginald Ames Ltd have developed a fine tea, ethically sourced, then blended and packed in Tonbridge. Tudeley Tea will be on sale in January, with a very generous percentage of proceeds going to the Save Capel campaign. Look out for Save Capel social media and emails about the launch very soon.

