What is the Neighbourhood Plan for?

- We recognize that the character of Hartest as we know it is of paramount importance and this will be at the forefront of any proposal
- The Plan will also identify where we as a community feel new housing and employment opportunities can be located
- We will use our influence and local knowledge and understanding to create a plan which is APPROPRIATE for Hartest and in conformity with Babergh's Local Plan

What are we doing to develop the plan?

- We are using the comments in the household questionnaires to help develop our strategy
- A character and historic analysis of the village is being prepared to establish the context
- We have appointed a professional advisor to guide us through the process of developing the Neighbourhood Plan
- We have obtained 100% grant funding to cover his costs

What will we be doing in the near future?

- This autumn we shall be conducting a housing needs survey which is specific to Hartest
- There will be further opportunities in the near future for Hartest residents to review our work and make additional suggestions for incorporation into the plan
- We are working with the Parish Council to develop ideas for traffic calming
- We continue to explore the possibility of setting up a community shop



Once the Neighbourhood Plan is approved it becomes a statutory part of Babergh's Planning Policy and gives us, the residents of Hartest a much stronger say in planning matters within the village. Are you prepared to get involved, and help us deliver the very best plan for the village? If so, send your details to Nick Price (Parish Councillor)