

# NEWSLETTER

## ANNUAL UPDATE FROM DAC PLANNING

### MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



2022 has been an exciting and productive year for us all and seen the continued evolution and growth of the company. I have been delighted to welcome Toby Bonny into his new full-time role as Graduate Planner. We are proud to be working on a host of existing and new projects across the country, including progressing Local Plans, producing Infrastructure Delivery Plans, supporting the introduction of CIL and providing support for Neighbourhood Plan Production. A selection of these are expanded upon below. I also presented to students at Leeds Beckett University in relation to the Green Belt and the housing crisis.

We have continued our community work through the sponsorship of [Jordan's Farm](#), which is a rewilding project in Essex helping to mitigate climate change and biodiversity loss in the UK. Our hands-on team away day on the farm provided an interesting contrast to our office work. We are also pleased to be supporting our chosen charity of the year: [Solving Kid's Cancer](#), which provides support to families affected by neuroblastoma as well as funding research into new treatments for children affected by the disease.

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### WE ARE HIRING

Our business is growing, and we are looking to appoint a qualified planner to play a key role in the development of the company. The role will involve several high-profile, exciting and varied projects on behalf of a range of clients. This will include working to support the progression of Local Plans and Neighbourhood Plans across the country. If you are interested in joining our dedicated team, please visit the website for further details and send your CV and covering letter to [admin@dacplanning.com](mailto:admin@dacplanning.com).

**WE WERE PLEASED TO BE SHORTLISTED FOR THE ROYAL TOWN PLANNING INSTITUTE AWARDS FOR PLANNING EXCELLENCE 2022 IN EAST OF ENGLAND, FOR THE CATEGORY OF SMALL PLANNING CONSULTANCY OF THE YEAR. THIS REFLECTS OUR ONGOING WORK AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN PROVIDING DEDICATED PLAN-MAKING SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.**



## WORK WITH PAS

We are pleased to have continued our work with the Planning Advisory Service following the completion of 50 [Local Plan Gateway Reviews](#). This year, the DAC Planning and Arup project team has provided project management support on 27 Local Plans. The support has been provided in a bespoke manner to meet the needs of each individual authority, resulting in an advice note providing recommendations to the Council on how the approach to project managing the production of the Local Plan could be improved.

## WIRRAL LOCAL PLAN

We are delighted to have supported Wirral Council in producing the [Wirral Local Plan Submission Draft](#) for Publication. This marks a major milestone for the Council in the progression of the Local Plan, which will replace the Unitary Development Plan adopted in 2000. The Local Plan incorporates ambitious and transformational regeneration plans for Birkenhead and other urban areas of the Borough, alongside the ongoing protection of the Green Belt and other valued environmental assets.



## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS

DAC Planning is pleased to share that the Neighbourhood Plans for [Feering Parish Council](#) and [Ingatestone and Fryerning Parish Council](#) have now been made. We have recently started work with [St Helens Borough Council](#) to promote neighbourhood planning in the area. We are supporting the [Boreham Neighbourhood Plan Group](#) in the production of their Neighbourhood Plan and we have been appointed to support the production of the Witham Neighbourhood Plan for [Witham Town Council](#) in Essex.

**WE WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY AND HEALTHY YEAR AHEAD AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU IN THE FUTURE.**