

# ITCHENOR NEWS

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## Itchenor Society Village Design Statement (VDS) 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

Over the past year the committee of the Itchenor Society has undertaken the task of updating the 2004 VDS. This task became necessary due to changes in legislation and revised planning policies. As part of the consultation process a draft copy of the revised VDS has now been published on the Society website [www.itchenorsociety.co.uk](http://www.itchenorsociety.co.uk)

We would appreciate it if you would please take a moment to read the document and let us have your comments. We would appreciate it if you would please take a moment to read the document and let us have your comments. Our period of public consultation will commence on Monday the 9th April 2012 for a period of eight weeks, we welcome your views on the draft and will be guided by the responses that we receive before deciding whether to hold a public meeting. We welcome your views on the draft and will be guided by the responses that we receive before deciding whether to hold a public meeting.

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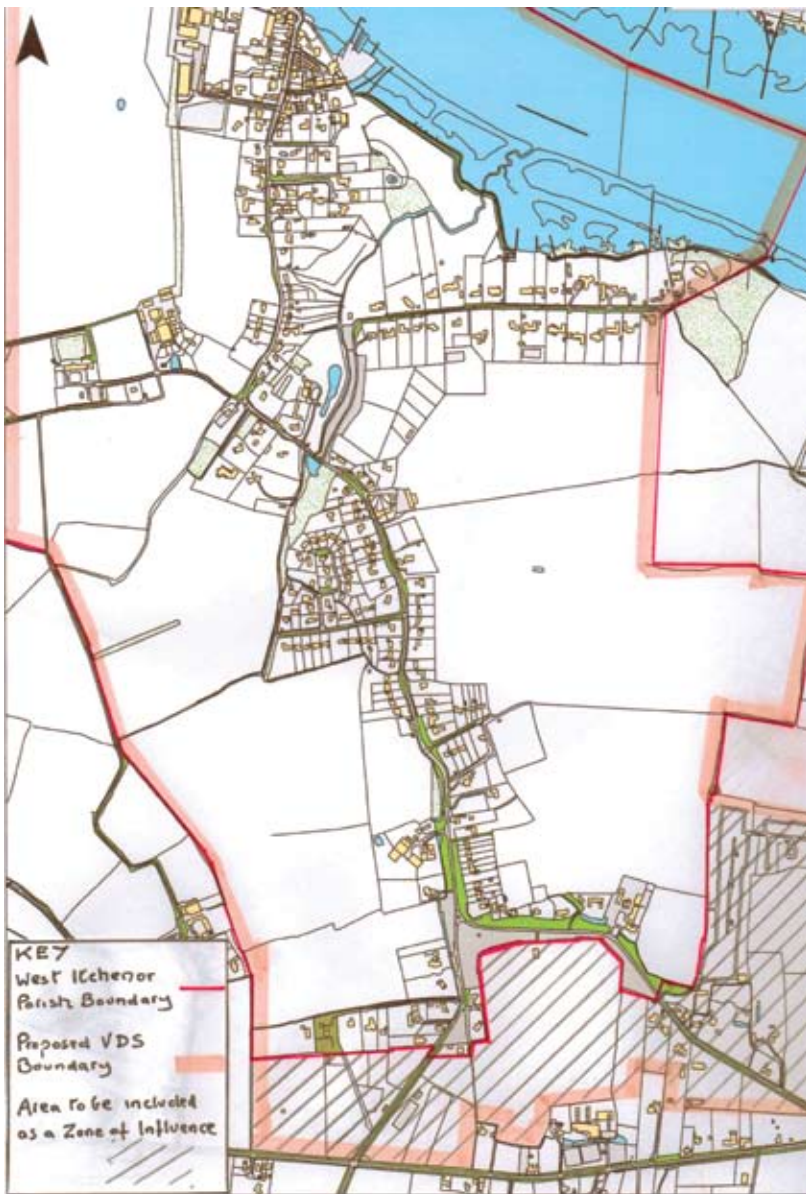
A number of changes have been made to the 2004 Statement, some of which require explanation as follows: We have produced a draft boundary map and propose to include two small areas of the Parishes of Birdham and West Wittering. We refer to the properties that lie to each side of the two roads leading into Itchenor namely Shipton Green Lane from the junction by Chichester Road, and Itchenor Road up from the crossroads to the village boundary. Chichester District Council (CDC) supports this idea bearing in mind that those who live along these roads are Itchenor residents (albeit living just outside the parish boundary). The proposal is that we include these stretches of road and frontage properties informally as "zones of influence". The proposal is that if possible any planning applications that arise within that area will be discussed with West Itchenor Parish Council before a decision is taken by the controlling parishes. We have proposed policies within the

VDS update for these zones and copies will be given to the adjoining parishes. We attach a hand drawn plan that shows the boundaries of the three parishes and have shaded the proposed "zones of influence". Chichester Local Plan 1999 will, in due course, be superseded by the new Local Development Framework (LDF). Because of these changes, it has been suggested that we alter the way in which reference is made to current Planning policies. Rather than referring to them within the body of the VDS text, it has been recommended to place them in a loose leaf Appendix at the back. In this way it is expected that when the new LDF is adopted by Chichester

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Since the 2004 VDS was published we have experienced a significant extension to the Conservation Area southwards from the Street as far as the barn conversions (just to the south of Spinney Lane junction). In deciding on boundaries for the Character Areas the decision that has been made is to adopt two Character Areas for Itchenor Road rather than one. The dividing point is the southern boundary of the Conservation Area. This means that the houses opposite the Church which are outside the Conservation Area have been included in the northern section of the new Area 4. The Area also includes Itchenor Park Farm, the properties to the east of the Conservation Area Boundary behind the barn conversions and behind Old Farm Cottage.

We have lengthened the Design Guidance, dividing it between village wide policies, individual Character Area policies and guidance on boundary and external elements.

We have the benefit of the Stearn family records of which houses they built, for whom they were built and the name of the architect/designer and we have brought this information, together with historic maps into new appendices at the end of the update.

Appendix 1 is the Consultation record and will be added once the document is ready for publishing. There are no photographs in the draft update. New photographs will be included once the update is agreed and ready to be published. The final document will be printed once all Consultations are completed and any changes have been made. A copy will be delivered to every household in the village.

*Christopher Mead-Briggs Chairman  
Itchenor Society*

Council in 3 or 4 years time, only the Appendix will need updating. All existing policies are reproduced in Appendix 7.

CDC has offered to assist in preparing the VDS plans to show the boundary, the character areas and the rural gaps. In 2004 we were kindly assisted by Roger Smith; however although Roger was very willing to help, CDC have recommended that on this occasion we should base all our boundaries of "Character Areas" and "Important Rural gaps" on Ordnance Survey maps to avoid any misinterpretation of where exactly each boundary runs and where rural gaps start and end. Until the VDS update has passed through the Consultation period we rely on fairly basic hand drawn and hand coloured maps. Good quality maps will be substituted when the document is finalised.

We have had the benefit of the Conservancy Harbour Management Plan 2009-14 to assist and support the Design Guidance in this update. We recommend residents read the document for themselves [www.conservancy.co.uk/assets/assets/manplan\\_web.pdf](http://www.conservancy.co.uk/assets/assets/manplan_web.pdf)



# Remembrance Service



This year the “Remembrance Service” for the 601 LCM Flotilla will be held on

**Friday 8th June 2012 at 1100 hrs on Itchenor Hard.**

All are welcome.



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The Itchenor Society Invite you to the

## Diamond Jubilee Street Party

Monday 4th June 2012

7.00 pm to 11.30 pm

Barbeque  
Live Band  
Dancing  
Bar

The Street  
(from the Ship Inn  
to the Hard)

Adults £10.00  
Children £ 7.50  
Under 12

Tickets available from 1st May 2012 Call Ian Christmas 512509 [ianchristmas@btinternet.com](mailto:ianchristmas@btinternet.com)

By popular request The Itchenor Society will be organizing a Street Party to commemorate the Queens Diamond Jubilee. Roger Stearn of The Ship Inn has kindly agreed to allow us to hold the Street Party outside the Ship on Monday 4th June 2012. This will replace our usual Summer Party.

**All are welcome so please do bring your friends**



If there are enough participants we hope there will be a Jelly and Ice Cream party for the young children between 16:30 hrs and 17:30 hrs. Chichester District Council has issued the order allowing us to hold the Street Party which includes permission to close part of the road for the day. However, due to the important strategic location of Itchenor Hard it is necessary for us to maintain vehicular access to the Hard at all times and your co-operation with this will be most appreciated. Notices of restricted access will be placed at the entrance to the village two weeks before the event. The parking bays between Sunnybrow and The Harbour Office will be suspended that day. The party will take place on the west side of the road. In order for us to organise and manage the restricted access, **NO PARKING** will be available on either side of the road from 01:00 hrs to 23:30 hrs on Monday 4th June 2012 in the location referred to above, The Street will have restricted access during the mid afternoon so that tables and chairs can be set up down the west side. The east side of the road will have single lane access to and from Itchenor Hard. When The Street is closed, marshals will be on hand to assist any vehicles that wish to use this section of road.

We very much hope that you will join us to help celebrate this very special occasion.

*Peter Arnold Honorary Secretary Itchenor Society*