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**Subject:** RE: Wing Neighbourhood plan policy formulation

Hi Nicky

Thanks for your message.

The Council has a statutory duty to provide advice and guidance to Neighbourhood Plan bodies and we remain committed to doing so.

As I set out in my previous message, unfortunately Colin's post was largely funded out of the Neighbourhood Plan grant that we have received from the Government over the past few years which has now run out until further NPs reach referendum, so we can at present only provide advice and guidance in a reactive way and not provide the support (beyond advice and guidance) that we were able to do when Colin was in post. We still have significant vacancies in the planning policy team and are progressing the Local Plan as our first priority so at present remain limited in terms of providing any support beyond advice and guidance.

If you require any specific advice and guidance please contact us by email at [planning.policy@rutland.gov.uk](mailto:planning.policy@rutland.gov.uk) and we will seek to reply as soon as we can.

In terms of locality funding, there are a number of NPs in Rutland who are using this to support the preparation of their Neighbourhood Plan. Barowden and Wakerley have used this to appoint Mike Haybyrne to help them translate their community views into planning policies - I cannot recommend him personally but the NP Group have spoken highly of him (and he has been reasonably priced!). Oakham and Barleythorpe are using Simone Landucci of ThinkOpenPlan to do similar work with them. His contact details are: [simone@thinkopenplan.com](mailto:simone@thinkopenplan.com)

Hope this is of use but please get in touch if you need any other advice and guidance.

Best wishes  
Roger

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Subject: Wing Neighbourhood plan policy formulation

Dear Roger

I wondered if there had been any changes in the support arrangements for NPs?

You suggested in the last email that we applied for locality funding for work on formulating policies. Do you have any suggestions for organisations or individuals who would be good for this?

I was led to believe that RCC had a statutory duty to support NPs, is that incorrect?

Thanks

Nicky Lyttelton

Chair Wing NP group

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