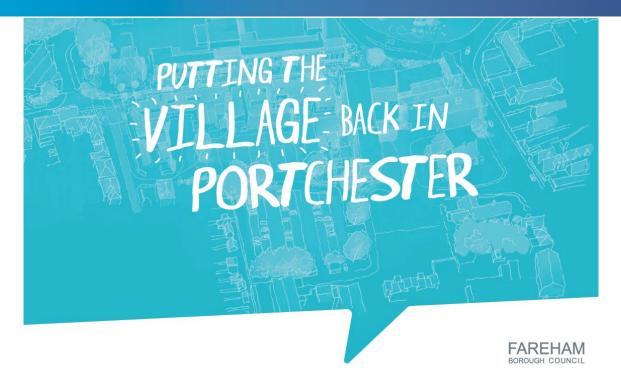
### Welcome



### **Portchester Village Centre**

Councillor Keith Evans Executive Member for Planning & Development Fareham Borough Council



# What's happening today?

- Introduction and overview of draft vision - Councillor Keith Evans
- 2. Table discussions with Officers



# Why develop a draft vision?

- Village Centre is at the heart of Portchester life
- It hasn't been updated since the 1990's
- Facing increasing competition
- The way people shop has changed
- Residents and businesses have asked for improvements



## What we've been told so far



# What is in the Draft Vision?

- 5 key areas for improvement:
  - Car parking
  - Redevelopment
  - Visual appearance
  - Shopping experience
  - Events & activities



### Match car park to how it is used

- Create 30 more free spaces
- Increase short stay spaces from 51 to 189
- Reduce long stay spaces from 194 to 82
- Increase disabled spaces from 14 to 18
- Change layout to provide 7 LGV spaces for market traders

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Improve the Council's car parks to meet the needs of shoppers and other key users of the centre

## We want to encourage

- Businesses and community groups to use empty shops rather than leave them vacant
- Small scale development of flats
  above shops
- Also want to look at the possibility of redeveloping the space behind the Co-op store

### Redevelopment

Encourage both private and public landowners to improve the look and vibrancy of the precinct through future redevelopment proposals

# We would like to improve

- Signage
- Entrances to precinct
- Surfaces in and around precinct
- Railings
- Street lighting
- Seating and bins
- Planting by replacing larger trees with easier to maintain trees or shrubs

Visual appearance

Improve the attractiveness of the precinct for its users by working with Hampshire County Council who own and manage this area

# We would like to encourage

- Modern shop fronts and canopies
- More outdoor seating and tables
- New restaurants and cafés to the area
- Investment to improve the appearance of shop fronts

### Shopping experience

Encourage local shops and businesses to improve their shop fronts, canopies and what they offer customers

# We would like to

- Build on the success of the Wednesday market
- Encourage a wider selection of stalls
- Attract more people throughout the week
- Encourage community groups to use the pedestrian area

Events & Activities Strengthen the Wednesday market, and encourage business and community run activities and events within the precinct

### Who we need to work with



# **Table discussion**

- Please talk to officers at tables
- Discuss parts of vision you are interested in
- We will record your comments and include them in consultation analysis

