# Tilehurst Neighbourhood Plan Group Launches Photo Competition

## If a picture paints a thousand words, what story would you tell about Tilehurst through your lens?

The Tilehurst Neigbourhood Plan Steering Group has launched a photo competition to celebrate what is great about Tilehurst Parish and highlight where it needs to be improved.

The competition is open to all. Photo submissions are sought under the heading of “The Good, the Bad and the Ugly”:

* Good- what you like about Tilehurst
* Bad and Ugly- what you don’t like or want to see improved

Entrants may submit photos in either category, preferably both.

Whilst the technical quality of the photo will be a factor, the judges will be more interested in photos that tell a story about Tilehurst and convey what really matters to the photographer about the neighbourhood.

The competition has two levels of entry , for those aged under 13 , and those aged 13 and over and each entrant is encouraged to submit up to ten photos.

Competition winners will receive cash prizes totalling £300 and all entrants will have their pictures considered for inclusion in the Neighbourhood Plan. All the submissions will have an influence on the Neighbourhood Plan- helping to paint a picture of how Tilehurst should develop into the future.

For information on competition rules see <http://tilehurstpcnp.org.uk/photo-contest>. The completion opens on June 1st and closes on July 31st. Winners will be announced at the end of August

The Tilehurst Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee has been established to create a plan for Tilehurst Parish which seeks to determine how Tilehurst develops over the next 10 years. Amongst other things this will cover future housing and other building developments. The plan is being developed by a team of local Tilehurst Parish residents in conjunction with Tilehurst Parish Council. Once completed the plan will be subject to a referendum of Tilehurst Parish electors.

For more information on the plan and how to take part in its development please take a look at our website at <http://tilehurstpcnp.org.uk/>

## Note to editors:

### What is neighbourhood planning?

*“Neighbourhood planning gives communities direct power to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of their local area. They are able to choose where they want new homes, shops and offices to be built, have their say on what those new buildings should look like and what infrastructure should be provided, and grant planning permission for the new buildings they want to see go ahead. Neighbourhood planning provides a powerful set of tools for local people to ensure that they get the right types of development for their community where the ambition of the neighbourhood is aligned with the strategic needs and priorities of the wider local area.”*

(From <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/neighbourhood-planning--2>)

### Tilehurst Parish Council

Tilehurst Parish Council serves the communities of Birch Copse, Calcot, Denefield and Westwood: a population of 15,500 and an area of 11 square miles. Situated to the west of Reading, Tilehurst Parish extends from the A4 in the south to a few metres short of the A329 in the north.  The Reading boundary forms the eastern border while its western border follows the line of the Sulham escarpment.

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