



## **The Localism Bill and the National Planning Policy Framework**

A joint seminar with the Country Land & Business Association and the John Phillips Planning Consultancy on the future of the planning system and how it is likely to affect development proposals in the countryside including:

**Assets of Community Value  
Neighbourhood Development Plans  
Stronger Enforcement Rules  
The presumption in favour of sustainable development  
The new policy on the rural economy as follows:**

*'Planning policies should support sustainable economic growth in rural areas by taking a positive approach to new development. Planning strategies should maintain a prosperous rural economy including policies to support the sustainable growth of rural businesses, promote the development and diversification of agricultural businesses; and support sustainable rural tourism and leisure developments that benefit rural businesses, communities and visitors and which respect the character of the countryside. This should include supporting the provision and expansion of tourist and visitor facilities in appropriate locations where identified needs are not met by existing facilities in rural service centres'. (Para. 81. Draft National Planning Policy Framework, July 2011).*

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2011  
4.30pm  
Loyd Lindsay Rooms,  
Ardington, Wantage OX12 8PS**

*It is anticipated that the meeting will finish at around 6.30pm after which you are invited to join us for a drink.*

*The speakers will be available for further questions and discussion.*

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