

# Communications with Local Residents for Construction Projects

- To get the correct message
- To the correct audience
- At the correct time









#### **Using the appropriate Communication Tools**

#### **Two Way Communication**

- Consultative Group
- Community Working Group
- Statutory displays
- Telephone calls
- •Drop in
- Informal meetings
- Public Meeting
- Community Project involvement



#### **One Way Communication**

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- Newsletter
- Press release (media)
- Website
- Social media
- Public Display





## ...and to ensure we are listening to what others are saying....





...and to stop issues escalating out of control...

..by responding appropriately....

...to keep the project moving.

## Communication and Consultation Process

#### 2 Stages: Design and Construction



#### Design

- Project co-ordinator carries out Community Impact Assessment at Stage 1. Gives early identification of risks
- At stage 2 (design) Communications Officer is consulted on design progress.
- Any potential are discussed with residents. Comms facilitates project co-ordinator leads
- Mitigation or alternatives agreed on
- A pre-planning application information evening is held led by project co-ordinator and facilitated by Communications

## Communication and Consultation Process

#### Construction

- At construction tender stage potential onsite issues are brought to the attention of Comms
- Meeting arranged with affected residents facilitated by Comms Project co-ordinator leads
- Feedback given Project co-ordinator provides
- Wider notification of project Comms
- Information session with Contractor just before start onsite – facilitated by comms – led by project coordinator
- Ongoing communication on progress
- Early identification of unusual activity onsite



## **Good Communication**

