

MINERALS

The next major phase of the Minerals Plan process in which the community have any chance of influencing the outcome, will be the public inspection. This is anticipated in late summer or possibly very early autumn. The public will have 4 weeks' notice of the inspection and so it is important that all the ground work / reports / investigations are completed well in advance of then. It will involve Professional and individual representation. In order to ensure the villages are prepared with a well organised, coherent defence it is necessary to gain expert advice in terms of various aspects of planning and legal. A start has been made in selecting professional representation.

An action group is being formulated and will be formally constituted and roles filled in time for the AGM of BRA on 10th May. The group will also need to have an active fund raising team. **Anyone who is able to offer a skill to the group or is prepared to help in anyway should email Stephanie.steel@hotmail.co.uk**