

What is Neighbourhood Planning?

The Localism Act 2011 introduced statutory Neighbourhood Planning in England. It enables communities to draw up a Neighbourhood Plan for their area to give communities more say in the development of their local area.

“These plans will be used to decide the future of the place where you live and work”

A Neighbourhood Plan is a community led framework for guiding the future development and growth of an area. It may contain a vision, aims, planning policies, proposals for improving the area or providing new facilities, or allocation of key sites for specific kinds of development.

The Neighbourhood Plan is about land use issues (like housing, employment, heritage and transport) and not wider parish actions. It can deal with development of new facilities or housing, building design or protection of certain areas of value from adverse change, **but not** things like problems with dog fouling or repairs to potholes in the road.

A Neighbourhood Plan will be subject to examination and referendum and then form part of the Local Development Plan. This statutory status gives Neighbourhood Plans far more weight than parish plans, community plans and village design statements – See more at <http://mycommunityrights.org.uk>

Our parish has been designated as a Neighbourhood Area and this exhibition sets out our current thinking on what our Plan should be about based on evidence currently available

WHY ARE WE DOING A NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN?

A Neighbourhood Plan is a community led statutory development plan which has legal weight or teeth when it is adopted

It puts the community in the driving seat when it comes to local planning decisions. We can draw up our own local Planning policies as long as they meet certain criteria and don't contradict certain National and District Council Local Plan policies

The Parish Council is the only body which can formally produce the Plan but we have a team of interested parishioners acting as a steering group. However we need to involve the whole community as these issues affect us all.

***This exhibition gives YOU the chance to
make your input on our proposals***

**OUR COMMUNITY VOICE CAN
MAKE A DIFFERENCE**

**We need you to USE YOUR VOICE
And HAVE YOUR SAY**

This is what we invite you to do today

- 1) Put your name and contact details in the visitors' book at the entrance
- 2) Read the **AIMS** and **OBJECTIVES** we have drawn up under the 5 topics in the exhibition – if you agree with an aim or objective please add a **GREEN** sticker close to it. If you disagree add a **RED** sticker.
- 3) If you think there is an aim or objective which we have missed, or you wish to make a comment, write it on a 'post-it' note and add to the relevant topic – if you're not sure which topic your suggestions fall under, add it to any topic and we will sort it out in our review of comments
- 4) If you have any other comments or a question which the stewards cannot answer, please put them on post-it notes and stick them on the "*Have you any other comments*" board at the end of the exhibition

THANK YOU FOR COMING
YOUR OPINION IS IMPORTANT

TOPIC 1 : NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AND COUNTRYSIDE

The key community messages collected from our evidence-gathering:

- *Protect vulnerable natural environment*
- *Retain rurality*
- *Support farming*
- *Reduce and prevent all types of pollution*

Draft AIM

Ensure changes are in the best interests of the countryside and natural environment

Draft OBJECTIVES

1 Protect sensitive natural habitats

2 Respect landscape character

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AND COUNTRYSIDE

Please add your own Suggestions:

TOPIC 2 : BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND HOUSING

The key community messages collected from our evidence-gathering:

- *Design of new development is important*
- *Limit new development mainly to that which meets a local need*
- *Eco-friendly development is favoured*
- *Emphasise centre/heart of village*
- *Small scale housing development may be acceptable*
- *Limit intensification of existing plots*

Draft AIM

Enable sensitive and sustainable development

Draft OBJECTIVES

- 1 *Ensure new development is of an appropriate scale and design*
- 2 *Encourage eco-friendly development*
- 3 *Reinforce the sense of a village centre*
- 4 *Enable small scale housing development that meets some form of local need*
- 5 *Control garden development*

BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND HOUSING

Please add your own Suggestions:

Topic 3: BUSINESS AND TOURISM

The key community messages collected from our evidence-gathering:

- *Constrain growth of industrial areas*
- *Support farming and horticultural businesses*
- *Restrict tourism development*
- *Encourage 'green' practices*

Draft AIM

Support local enterprise if it doesn't conflict or intrude on rural life

Draft OBJECTIVES

- 1 *Control development and impact of industrial/commercial activity*
- 2 *Enable local farming to remain viable*
- 3 *Support sustainable tourism*

BUSINESS AND TOURISM

Please add your own Suggestions:

Topic 4: COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES

The key community messages collected from our evidence-gathering:

- *Support community horticulture initiatives*
- *Better play space for young children*
- *Meet need for local recreation opportunities*
- *Make best use of community spaces*
- *Support necessary improvements to community facilities and spaces*
- *Encourage re-cycling*
- *The Parish is short of public open space*

Draft AIM

Facilitate improvements to community facilities that serve local needs

Draft OBJECTIVES

- 1 *Support new and improved community facilities and spaces*

COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND SERVICES

Please add your own Suggestions:

Topic 5:	TRANSPORT
The key messages from our evidence-gathering: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Road condition and safety is a major issue</i>• <i>The roads should remain rural in status</i>• <i>New cycle routes and more footpath routes would be welcomed</i>	
Draft AIM <p>Facilitate improvements to the transport network in the interests of accessibility and safety</p>	
Draft OBJECTIVES <p>1. <i>Support improvements and extensions to the footpath network and safe cycling routes</i></p>	

TRANSPORT

Please add your own Suggestions:

And finally,

1. What are your likes and dislikes about the area?

Likes

Dislikes

2. What, if anything, needs to change?

3. Please use the space here if you have any other comments