

# NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

## Your Community - Your Views

## Here's a way to get them heard!



Do you ...

Live and/or work in the parish of Stapleford Abbotts?

Have concerns about the levels and standards of development and amenities in the village?

Wonder how you can have a say about this in a meaningful way?

Wish you could get the community's views noticed and acted upon by District and County?

# There is something you can do!

Stapleford Abbots Parish Council is looking for residents and business people from the parish to join our steering group to consult on a potential Neighbourhood Plan

## **What is a Neighbourhood Plan?**

Drawn up by a qualifying body – here, a committed steering group instituted by the Parish Council – it is a document developed over a period of intermittent consultation with residents and other local groups (approximately 2-3 years to be constructed in full and ratified by District Council) which registers residents' concerns and needs and gives communities power to develop a shared vision for and the development of their area.

With a Neighbourhood Plan, residents can choose where new homes, shops and workplaces are built, comment what those buildings should look like and what infrastructure is needed, and agree planning permission for new buildings they approve of.

## **Why is it important to the community?**

Neighbourhood planning is a unique toolkit for local people to plan and tailor development to meet their community's needs, and to co-ordinate this with the needs and priorities of the wider local area.

It is not a mandatory legal requirement, but it is a right which gives the communities the chance to spell out a positive vision for how they want their community to develop over the next decade or so, in ways that meet identified local need and make sense for local people.

This includes putting in place planning policies that will help deliver that vision.

A neighbourhood plan attains the same legal status as a local plan once it has been approved at a referendum. At this point, it comes into force as part of the statutory development plan

## **How can the community bring it into being?**

Simply register your interest and give an outline of what the village needs to progress into the future. The comment form and details section is on the next page.

We would ensure that the wider community:

- is kept fully informed of what is being proposed
- is able to make their views known throughout the process
- can be actively involved in shaping the emerging Neighbourhood Plan.
- is made aware of how their views have informed the draft Neighbourhood Plan.

**Interested?**

We need 50% or more of households to register their commitment to a Neighbourhood Plan before it can go ahead.

We ask you to consider this question, consider the needs of the community, and fill out the form below, with your details on the back page. You can return it to the Parish Council address, or scan and email to the Clerk on the address overleaf by 30<sup>TH</sup> November 2021

**First of all:**

**Do you want a neighbourhood plan in Stapleford Abbotts?**

**Yes/ No**

If you are keen, what kind of topics would you like it to encompass, and what are your basic views on the current concerns of the neighbourhood shown below?

	<b>Generally Good</b>	<b>Satisfactory</b>	<b>Needs improvement</b>	<b>Needs overhaul</b>
<b>Highways, roads and traffic</b>				
<b>Utilities and their administration</b>				
<b>Provision for children</b>				
<b>Provision for seniors</b>				
<b>Provision for young people</b>				
<b>Planning – housing numbers</b>				
<b>Planning – in general</b>				
<b>Flooding &amp; contaminated land</b>				
<b>Public transport</b>				
<b>Leisure</b>				
<b>Housing</b>				
<b>Crime and policing</b>				

**Any other comments:** .....

**Your Contact Details**

We are asking for responses from, and contact details of, interested parties, for the purposes of research into Neighbourhood Planning. As per GDPR, by signing and completing this form you are giving assent to your personal data (contact details) being held on file for the purposes of the Neighbourhood Planning consultation.

We will not pass them to third parties and we will keep them secure and confidential as long as the Neighbourhood Planning consultation process is in force.

**I would like to register my interest in and commitment to a Neighbourhood Plan**

**I agree to Stapleford Abbots PC using my contact details for the above purpose under GDPR**

**Name** .....

**Address**.....

**Phone**.....

**Email**.....

**Number of eligible voting adults in household** .....

**SAPC Contact Details:**

**Write to: The Clerk**

**c/o The Retreat, Tysea Hill, Stapleford Abbots, RM4 1JS by 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

**Phone 07599 249962 before 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

**Email [staplefordabbottsparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:staplefordabbottsparishcouncil@gmail.com)  
with "Neighbourhood Plan" in subject line before 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

