

POLICY INTENTIONS

This consultation seeks views on 3 draft policies set out below. We want people and organisations to give their views to help with finalising the Neighbourhood Plan in the coming weeks. The questionnaire form provided will enable you to comment on the draft policies reached in consultation over the past 8 months.

POLICY 1 - CONSERVATION OF GREEN ENVIRONMENT AND HABITATS

The quality of the green environment is important to people who live, work and visit the area. There will be a policy to ensure that the green environment is safeguarded for the future. We will require new development proposals to recognise and respect the quality of the environment where development takes place. The policy will include clauses that seek to:

- Protect the green wedges of land between Burghwallis and Skellow, Owston and Sutton
- Safeguard public open spaces including the Poor's Field, Playing Field and Bridle Paths
- Recognise the importance of local habitats and protect them from harmful development and to conserve their ecological value

POLICY 2 - PRESERVATION OF HERITAGE ASSETS

Burghwallis has a range of heritage assets including land, buildings and monuments which provide a unique link to the past. There will be a policy to recognise the vulnerability of these assets to new development and the need for their increased protection. The policy will include clauses that seek to ensure:

- Heritage Assets are not adversely affected by development
- Increased protection is provided to assets of high heritage value, where assets are unlisted
- The Poor's Field and War Memorial receive designated site status

POLICY 3 - PRESERVATION OF PUBLIC AMENITIES / ASSETS

Residents and visitors alike appreciate and value the few amenities that exist in the village. The Village Pub Green, Pub Car Park and Playing Field are the only places where the community can hold outdoor events to celebrate and enjoy festivals. There will be a policy to recognise the importance of these assets and protect them from development. The policy will include clauses that seek to:

- Maintain public access to amenities to allow festivals and other community events to continue
- Ensure no loss of car parking space at The Burghwallis
- Ensure assets are protected from change of use

PUBLIC CONSULTATION



Policy Intentions Meeting
7pm | 12 August 2014
Burghwallis Pub
Scorcher Hills
DN6 9JT



THE ANCIENT VILLAGE OF BURGHWALLIS



A relatively small village and a civil parish in the heart of rural South Yorkshire. The village is situated amongst mixed farmland and woodland on a slight rise roughly 6 miles north west of Doncaster or 1 mile off the A1 motorway. The Parish has a population of 268 over 18 year olds and includes a Village Pub, a former Convent, St Helen's Church, a Children's Playing Field, a War Memorial, a Village Pump, a Poor's Field and a Pinfold site.

VILLAGE CHARACTER

Burghwallis is mentioned in the Domesday Book as Burg.. The first mention of Burghwallis is Sir Richard le Waleys, presenting a new rector to the church in 1253. In contrast with most of the villages surrounding Doncaster, very little in the way of residential development took place in Burghwallis during the 19th and 20th centuries. Today the village is one of a handful in the area to have retained much of its original character and has a very peaceful small-scale rural feel.



WHAT IS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING?



The Burghwallis Neighbourhood Plan is at an advanced stage of production. It includes all the key planning issues to protect our environment, heritage and culture identified by local residents during the consultation held over the last 8 months. Once approved by local residents the Neighbourhood Plan will become an official document added to the plan produced by Doncaster Council and legally enforceable.

These plans will be used to decide the future of the places where you live and work giving opportunities to:

- choose where you want new homes, shops and offices to be built
- have your say on what new buildings should look like
- Preserve and protect the existing environment in which you live

WHERE ARE WE IN THE PROCESS?

In August and September 2013 all residents of the Parish, along with interested parties such as Local Businesses, English Heritage and The Yorkshire Wildlife Trust were sent a letter and questionnaire to seek their viewpoint as to how the Neighbourhood Plan should develop. The results of the questionnaire provided the core opinions as to how the Plan should shape up. We are now in a position to discuss the resulting Draft Neighbourhood Plan.



WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?



Following this consultation, the Draft Neighbourhood Plan will be amended as appropriate with policies formalised and put forward for a 6-week public consultation. After any further modification, the Neighbourhood Plan will then be sent for independent inspection to ensure it complies with our legal planning obligations, and finally it will be put to a referendum by the people of Burghwallis before the end of this year.

THEMES TO EMERGE FROM INITIAL CONSULTATION

- Conservation of Green Environment and Habitats
- Preservation of Heritage Assets
- Preservation of Public Amenities
- Improvements to the roads and footpaths, which is not a planning issue will be considered separately by the Parish Council

