Welcome to Upton Bishop Neighbourhood Development Plan Open Information Event

What is a Neighbourhood Development Plan?

A Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) is an opportunity for the whole community to help shape development in their area.

These developments might be in housing, in business and employment, in improving infrastructure, in access to community and leisure facilities.

An NDP can also provide protection for our green and open spaces, and for our historical assets, important buildings and features of the villages.

Once adopted, our NDP will sit alongside the County Plan (Core Strategy), and will have real influence over local planning decisions.

Why is a Neighbourhood Development Plan important?

For the first time, under government legislation introduced in 2011, it provides an opportunity for local communities to influence and shape the future of their local area. We can set out what sort of parish we want for ourselves, our children and future generations.

How does it work?



Your views, comments and questions gathered today will be collated and form the basis for the Parish Questionnaire to be circulated early next year

The Plan will be drafted by a steering group with additional volunteers reporting to the Parish Council. The steering group is made up of parish councillors and local residents.

It will take about 18 months to 2 years to complete.

Residents will be consulted at each stage - this is the first of many such consultations.

The next stage will be a questionnaire to all households - the questions asked will be influenced by what we learn from you today.

Further consultations will follow and, finally, everyone on the electoral register will have the right to vote on the final plan at a referendum, where a simple majority in favour is required.

How you can help us today

Please read the display material.

Give us your views and comments.



Answer the questions we have put on the boards around the room or post questions or views of your own

Use a yellow post-it note to put your views onto the boards

Talk to one of our event marshals - they are all Parishioners and have the same concerns as you but need your help

Show whether you agree or disagree with a particular post-it note by adding a green dot if you agree
or a red dot if you disagree

Sign up for more information by leaving us your email address. It will not be used for any other purpose than to let you know what is happening and will not be shared with any other body.

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If you have a question - please ask it!