

Aberford & District Parish Council
Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire January 2013

Dear Resident

In 2011 the Parish Council produced a new MasterPlan intended to guide development in and around the Parish over the coming years. A copy may be viewed online on the Parish Council website

www.aberfordonline.com

With the opportunity now presented under the Localism Act 2012 to develop a Neighbourhood Plan the Parish Council needs to consult further with residents and develop some of the themes included in the MasterPlan, particularly where they relate to land use.

Did you know (for example) that there are around 600 households in and around the village “envelope” with an additional 130 or so in Sturton Grange (Garforth)?

Did you know that, of these, 70 are classed as Social Housing, with an additional 30 available as homes for the elderly?

Did you know that, over the last 20 years or so, the housing stock within the village has grown by around 90 homes, this excluding two developments where Planning Consent has been given but building has yet to start?

Aberford has never stood still and is unlikely to do so in the future. There is however an unprecedented opportunity for you to influence the shape of future development through the Neighbourhood Plan which is why completion of the accompanying questionnaire is so important.

If you wish to discuss progress with the ongoing Neighbourhood Plan with Parish Councillors and representatives of the Neighbourhood Plan sub-committee there will be an Open Day in the Village Hall on Saturday 19 January 2013 (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.) The Village Design Statement, now completed, will also be available for you to view.

To encourage completion of the questionnaire there is the opportunity to enter a free Prize Draw. There will be four prizes of £25 each, with the draw to take place at the Parish Council Meeting due to be held on Tuesday 19 February 2013. Please see the end of the questionnaire for details of how to take part.

Closing date for completion and return of the questionnaire is Thursday 31 January 2013.

Completed forms may be left at the Village Shop or returned direct to the Clerk at 5 Hayton Wood View, Aberford, Leeds LS25 3AN.

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