

Old Basing & Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan

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What has happened so far?

In March and April, we put on Exhibitions to explain Basingstoke and Dean's Local Plan and its impact on our parish. You gave us plenty of comments, which will help frame policies for Old Basing and Lychpit's future up to 2029.

Here are typical comments from the exhibitions.....first, Traffic and Transport

"20mph speed limit - and policed" and "reduce the volume of through traffic"

"Improve footpaths and the safety of pedestrians and cyclists"

"Improve bus services" and "encourage non-car forms of transport"

"Avoid increased traffic from new development"

Community and Heritage

"Protect and promote heritage assets" (especially the Basingstoke Canal and the conservation area)

"Improve the Limepits area and other commons" and "encourage recreation for young and old"

"More school places, shops and community hall for new development"

Environment and Landscape

"Protect river quality" and "protect natural habitat and bio-diversity"

"Minimize the effect of new housing on Loddon Valley views" and "retain the special character of Old Basing"

"Improve access to Basing Fen"

Housing and Development

"Affordable homes are essential" with "low rise housing " and "no flats"

"tree belts and corridors" and "green space" and "open space"

"Minimize the impact of new housing"

(Some were reluctant to see more development, but most accept the need for new homes).

If you want to add a comment, email clerk@oldbasing.gov.uk. If you missed the exhibitions, you can see them on Basinga Extra and the parish website.

What happens next? Have your say - make your voice heard!

In July, there will be a brief questionnaire for residents, organizations, groups and clubs. Responses from this will help determine policies for a Neighbourhood Plan for the future of our parish, and support and strengthen the Local Plan.