



## **Consultation Statement**

### **Autumn 2018**

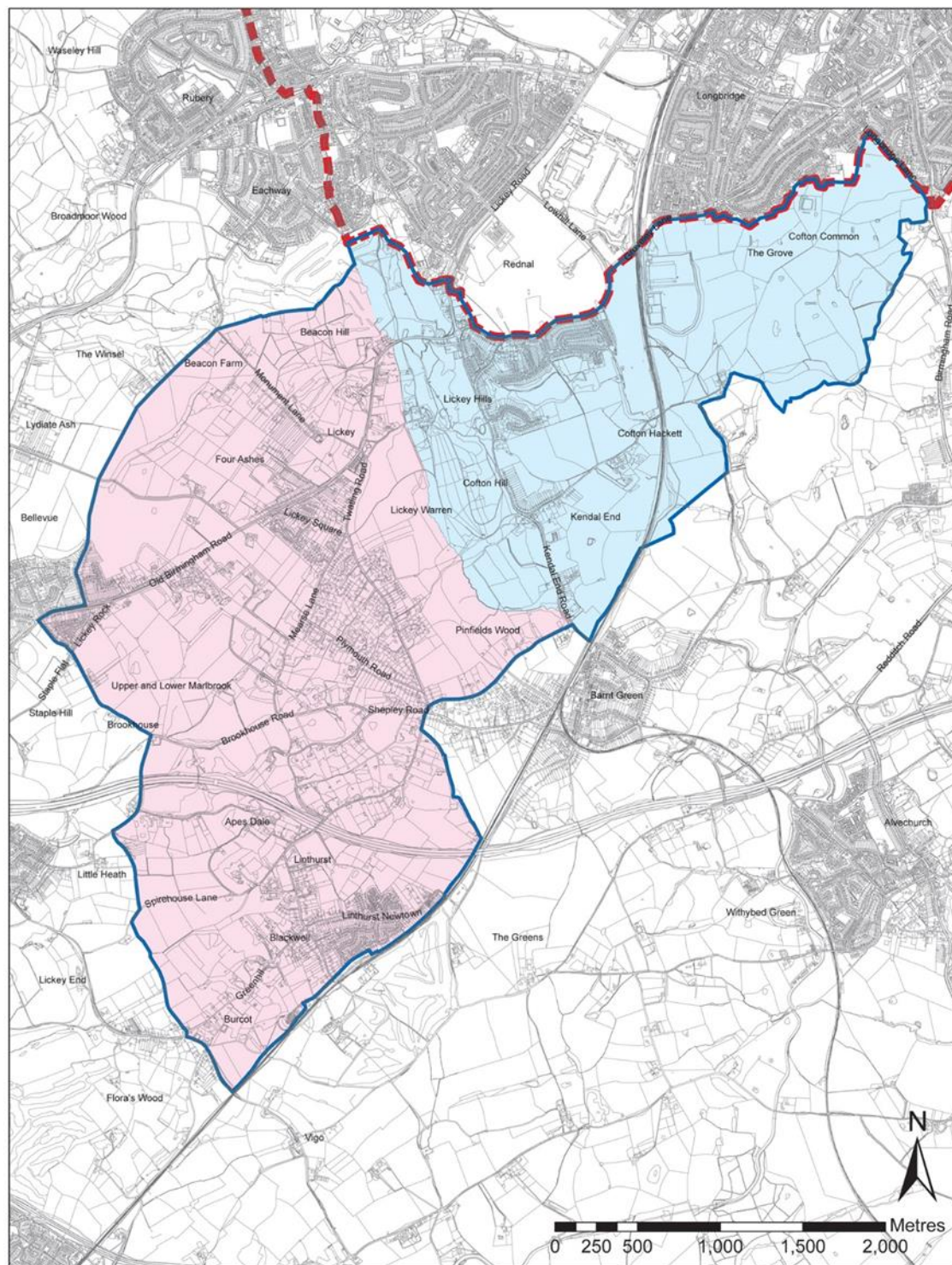
**Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett Parish Councils**

**Autumn 2018**

With assistance from



**Map 1 Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett Designated Neighbourhood Plan Area and Parish**



**Lickey and Blackwell and Cofton Hackett  
Proposed Neighbourhood Area**

Scale 1:21,000

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- Lickey and Blackwell Parish
- Cofton Hackett Parish
- Neighbourhood Area Boundary
- District Boundary



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## 1.0 Introduction and Background

- 1.1 This Consultation Statement has been prepared in accordance with The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (SI No. 637) Part 5 Paragraph 15 (2)<sup>1</sup> which defines a “consultation statement” as *a document which –*

*(a) contains details of the persons and bodies who were consulted about the proposed neighbourhood development plan;*

*(b) explains how they were consulted;*

*(c) summarises the main issues and concerns raised by the persons consulted; and*

*(d) describes how these issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant, addressed in the proposed neighbourhood development plan.*

- 1.2 Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) has been prepared in response to the Localism Act 2011, which gives parish councils and other relevant bodies, new powers to prepare statutory Neighbourhood Plans to help guide development in their local areas. These powers give local people the opportunity to shape new development, as planning applications are determined in accordance with national planning policy and the local development plan, and neighbourhood plans form part of this Framework. (Other new powers include Community Right to Build Orders whereby local communities have the ability to grant planning permission for new buildings).

- 1.3 In December 2013 the two Parish Councils decided to work jointly to prepare a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) to guide new development in the area.

### **Designation**

- 1.4 Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett Parish Councils applied for designation as a neighbourhood area on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2014 and the designated neighbourhood area was approved by Bromsgrove District Council on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2014. The designated neighbourhood area is shown on Map 1.

- 1.5 Dedicated NDP pages were provided on the 2 parish councils' websites in 2013. These are:

<http://coftonhackettpc.org/neighbourhood-plan/>

and

<http://www.lickeyandblackwellpc.org/neighbourhood-plan/>

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2012/637/contents/made>

## 2.0 Early Informal Public Consultation and Engagement

- 2.1 A steering group of local residents and Parish Councillors and interested local residents from both Parishes has met regularly to oversee the preparation of the NDP. From the beginning of the plan preparation process there has been a strong intention to engage and consult with as many local people and stakeholders as possible.
- 2.2 Several informal consultation opportunities were organised to engage local residents and stakeholders. These included the following as set out in Table 1:

**Table 1 Summary of Informal Consultation Processes**

Dates	Events
July 2013 - 2015	Informal public consultation including Blackwell Festivals. Mainly asking the question <i>"What do you like and dislike about your neighbourhood?"</i>
April 2014	A questionnaire to Lickey & Blackwell residents.
Summer 2014	The same questionnaire to Cofton Hackett residents.
October 2014 and 2015	Residents' meetings in with a simple questionnaire.
October 2016	Three Residents' consultation meetings.
June - July 2017	Consultation meetings on First Draft Plan.
24th March 2018	Informal open Q&A session and update, The Wheel, Blackwell.



**NDP Stand at Blackwell First  
School Summer Fete, July 2013**



2.3 A number of key themes emerged from this consultation process:

- Appreciation for the green and leafy environment and rural/semi-rural character;
- Concerns about the impact and design of new development and need to use the Village Design Statement for Lickey & Blackwell when planning applications are being considered;
- The need to protect and improve local community facilities;
- Concerns about traffic volume and speed, parking, bus services and the need for improved broadband and mobile phone signals in parts of the Parish.

2.4 Copies of the first consultation results from 2013 are provided below.

**Neighbourhood Plan Villager's Views at Blackwell Festival July 2013**

<b><u>Positive</u></b>	<b><u>Negative</u></b>
Community Spirit	Speeding through the village
Low Crime	Better Bus Service
Brilliant Local Shop	Traffic Control in the village
Great School	Traffic free cycle route
It is good there is a village centre with a Church and Shop	Slow down signs on Greenhill "Flashing"
I should like more Sports/Leisure facilities for teens and adults in the Parish	Too many Potholed roads and terrible pavements
Would like a Local Post Office	Speeding Issues
Strong Sense of Community	Old Burcot Lane, Brook needs cleaning out
Park	More frequent Bus Service
Keep Blackwell as a village. Leave green Poo fields alone!!!	D o g
Enjoy living in such a Green and Leafy Area	Something done about cars parking on pavements
Good Community Spirit	Any person who owns a dog is responsible for picking up their dog poo! post a door-to-
Please door note.	
Pet Shop/Re-homing Centre	Less Dog Mess!
Small village community	Traffic calming by the school
Friendly people	Better (more frequent) bus service
Low Crime	Quite simply Dog poo!
Great school/Playgroup	Restrict people changing hedging for
walls	
Cafe	Phone signal
	Fast Broadband!
	Better Bus Service; why not hourly service?

**It's a beautiful village. let's maintain that!**

Bring back Blackwell Railway Station!

2.5 A copy of a report on the 2014 public consultation is provided below.

### **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

#### **SUMMARY OF STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATIONS**

#### **LICKEY & BLACKWELL AND COFTON HACKETT**

##### **1. LIKED MOST**

Area	Community	Access to Other Places	Shopping Facilities	Crime Rate
28	21	20	3	2

##### **2. DISLIKED MOST**

Roads	Community Inc. Landfill	Bad Parking	New Development	Public Transport
18	14	8	7	3

##### **3. WOULD MOST IMPROVE THE PARISH**

Roads	Community	Other	Public Transport	Shopping Facilities
18	7	6	5	2

##### **4. PARTICULAR CONCERNS**

Housing Development	12	Public & School Transport	5
Malbrooke Tip	4	Increased Traffic	3
Protection of Greenbelt	3	Noise (Park Events & General)	2
Increase in Crime	2	Access to Village (Narrow Lanes)	1
Inclusion into Birmingham	1	Replacement of lost trees	1
Post Office & Shops	1	Isolation	1

Maintain 'vital' village	1	Remember 'Old Cofton'	1
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Number owning Land in the Area: 1      Number owning a Business in the Area: 1

Number of Replies: Male: 4; Female: 14; Joint /Not Indicated: 2/4

Age groups: 1 x 31-40    1 x 41-50    5 x 51-60    8 x 61-70    7 x 71-80    4 x 81+

Number of parishioners who responded in each Ward according to their postcode:  
 Linthurst Ward 8; Shepley Ward 5; Monument Ward 2; Grange Ward 0.  
 Cofton Hackett 9 (Total: 24)

## 5. **SPECIFIC LIKES, DISLIKES AND CONCERNS:**

### 1) **MOST LIKED:**

- a) AREA: Greenfield; Rural aspect; Greenery; Lickey Hills; Woodland; Flower tubs; Open spaces; Private Housing; Parks and Playgrounds.
- b) ACCESS TO OTHER PLACES: Motorways; Rail; Birmingham/Worcester; Countryside.
- c) COMMUNITY: Neighbours; Community fetes; Courtesy of walkers/drivers; Mixed age/Income Groups; Well Maintained; Peace & Quiet; and the Church.
- d) CRIME RATE: Recent burglaries
- e) SHOPPING FACILITIES: Local Shop; Barnt Green; Rubery.

### 2) **DISLIKED MOST:**

- a) NEW DEVELOPMENT: Over-building; Overloading of Schools and Doctor's; and Increased Traffic.
- b) BAD PARKING: On pavements; Outside schools; Across driveways; and grass verges.
- c) ROADS: Fast Traffic; Bad surfaces, both roadways and footpaths; Dirty road and place signs; Lack of footpath to Barnt Green; Noise of the M42; and Muddy footpaths.
- d) COMMUNITY: Lack of Community (Lickey); Gated Communities; Lack of Post Boxes; Loss of amenities; Overgrown Hedges; Rubbish/Litter; and Lack of Mains Drains (part of Plymouth Road); Lack of Grit Bins. Landfill at Marlbrook Tip

- e) PUBLIC TRANSPORT: Lack of good public transport; Frequency of No.45 Bus; Change in Bus Routes.

3) **WOULD MOST IMPROVE THE PARISH**

- a) ROADS: Law Enforcement; Parking/Off-Road Parking; Roads and surroundings cleaned; and Fully tree line M42 (To cut down noise); Install Speed Cameras/Monitor Speed; Removal of leaves off Slip Roads; Divert Heavy Traffic; Cut Bushes/Trees; and Snow Clearance.
- b) COMMUNITY: New Village Hall (Blackwell); Derelict Land (Blackwell); and Improved amenities (Blackwell); New Library (Cofton); and a Sports Programme.
- c) SHOPPING FACILITIES: Bromsgrove Shops; and Access to a Local Bank.
- d) PUBLIC TRANSPORT: Local buses; and Re-open Blackwell/Cofton Stations.
- e) Continued use of Village Design Statement (Lickey & Blackwell); Tree & Hedge Pruning; Replacement of Crooked & Bent Posts (Cofton); better communication through the Parish Council and the Church.

NB Due to the differences in the two Parishes the issues vary and in some cases conflict i.e. Bus Routes.



2.6 Copies of the 2014 Questionnaire and headline results are provided below.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN INITIAL SURVEY April 2014 Lickey and Blackwell residents**

**This analysis is based on the first 15 questionnaires received.**

**Q1 What do you LIKE most about living here? TOTAL 37 likes**

Environment 13	People and community 9	Amenities 12	Other 3
----- Countryside, green spaces, bulbs, flower planters and well kept verges.	----- Friendly neighbours, a responsible , safe community	----- Good transport links and good local shopping.	----- Low crime, the privacy of a home set in own grounds, no over development.

**Q2 What do you DISLIKE most? TOTAL 28 dislikes**

Environment 16	Traffic and roads 9	Amenities 3	Other
----- Hedges encroaching on footway 3 Potholes 2 Marlbrook Tip 2 Over-development 2 Wild area on Linthurst Newtown No main drainage below Plymouth Rd Litter No footpath from Blackwell to Barnt Green Dog fouling Muddy footpath Bwell Gated estates	----- Speeding traffic 3 OBR, Burcot, Mearse Lane M42 noise 3 Parking 3 OBR and Tesco corner	----- General loss of local amenities Lack of post boxes Lack of buses	----- Nothing 2

**Q3 What would most IMPROVE this area? TOTAL 28 comments.**

Environment 14	Traffic and roads 11	Amenities 3	Other 0
----- More litter picking 3 Enforce Marlbrook Tip 2 Enforce cutting back of over-hanging hedges 2 Regular cleaning of street signs, bus shelters, seats 3 Restrictions on inappropriate development Clear up wild area on Linthurst Newtown. Better road repairs Reduce M42 noise by tree planting.	----- Enforce speed limits 4 20 MPH at schools Enforce parking on double yellow lines 3 Better camber on Mearse Lane Better transport 2 Retain footpath over railway in Blackwell	----- A local bank Improve shopping in Bromsgrove A new community hall in Blackwell	-----

#### **Q4 CONCERNS about the future TOTAL 20 comments**

Development 13	Amenities 3	No concerns 2	Other 2
----- Back garden , Green Belt and inappropriate. 10 Marlbrook Tip 3	----- Reduced bus service	-----	----- Increased crime rate Increased traffic

- 2.6 Copies of publicity material promoting the early public consultation process are provided in **Appendix I.**

### 3.0 Issues and Options Consultation



**Trinity Centre, 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016**

- 3.1 An Issues and Options document was prepared to draw out the main planning policy related issues from the above themes and to suggest possible planning policy options for addressing them. The document was published for informal public consultation from October to November 2016.
- 3.2 Three drop in consultation events were arranged on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016 at the Trinity Centre, Lickey, Cofton Hackett Village Hall and at The Wheel, Blackwell and another, evening event was held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2016. Over 80 residents attended, and more than 40 completed questionnaires were returned.
- 3.3 The completed questionnaires were used to help inform the content of the First Draft Plan. The responses were largely consistent, with overall support for the various approaches to policy options. Comments were more mixed in relation to some policy options including supporting small scale residential development (policy option 5), encouraging a range of housing types (policy option 6), commercial development (policy option 7) and protecting and supporting investment in local community facilities (policy option 8).

- 3.4 A copy of the questionnaire and results of the consultation are provided in **Appendix II**. The full report of the consultation responses is available as a background document on the NDP websites<sup>2</sup>.



**Cofton Hackett Village hall, 1st October 2016**

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<sup>2</sup> <http://www.lickeyandblackwellpc.org/neighbourhood-plan/> and <http://coftonhackettpc.org/neighbourhood-plan/>

## 4.0 Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett First Draft Plan



**NDP Consultation, June 2017**

- 4.1 The First Draft of the Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) was prepared building on the responses to the Issues and Options consultation undertaken in Autumn 2016.
- 4.2 The First Draft Plan was published for a few weeks informal public consultation from 24<sup>th</sup> June to 14<sup>th</sup> July 2017, and the online questionnaire survey continued until the end of July 2017. The First Draft Plan was placed on the Parish Councils' websites and hard copies were available on request from the clerk. Comments were invited in writing or by using a comments form. Three public drop in events were held on 24<sup>th</sup> June at Cofton Hackett Village Hall, The Trinity Centre, Lickey and The Wheel, Blackwell and a further event was held at the Trinity Centre, Lickey on 28<sup>th</sup> June.
- 4.3 Copies of publicity material and a summary of the responses is provided in **Appendix III**.



## 5.0 Regulation 14 Draft Plan - Summer 2018

- 5.1 The Regulation 14 Draft NDP was prepared taking into consideration the responses submitted to the Preferred Options Draft Plan.
- 5.2 The public consultation on the Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan was carried out in accordance with The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (SI No. 637) Part 5 Pre-submission consultation and publicity, paragraph 14. This states that:

*Before submitting a plan proposal to the local planning authority, a qualifying body must—*

*(a) publicise, in a manner that is likely to bring it to the attention of people who live, work or carry on business in the neighbourhood area*

*(i) details of the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan;*

*(ii) details of where and when the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan may be inspected;*

*(iii) details of how to make representations; and*

*(iv) the date by which those representations must be received, being not less than 6 weeks from the date on which the draft proposal is first publicised;*

*(b) consult any consultation body referred to in paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 whose interests the qualifying body considers may be affected by the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan; and*

*(c) send a copy of the proposals for a neighbourhood development plan to the local planning authority.*

- 5.3 The Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) for Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett Parishes was published for 6 weeks formal public consultation (Regulation 14) from Monday 4th June 2018 to 5pm Friday 19th July 2018.
- 5.4 The Draft Plan could be downloaded from the websites of Lickey & Blackwell Parish Council <http://www.lickeyandblackwellpc.org/> and Cofton Hackett Parish Council <http://coftonhackettpc.org/parish-council/> (see Screenshots in **Appendix IV**).
- 5.5 Several open drop in consultation events were held in the two parishes. These were all held on Saturday 11th July 2018:
- Trinity Centre, Lickey 10am - 12 midday
  - Cofton Hackett Village Hall 1pm - 3pm
  - The Wheel, Blackwell 4pm - 6pm.
- 5.6 Hard copies were available from the Clerk to Lickey & Blackwell Parish Council by email to [eo@lickeyandblackwellpc.org](mailto:eo@lickeyandblackwellpc.org) or could be collected from Parish Office.
- 5.7 Consultees were invited by email / letter to use the response form (**see Appendix V**) or to submit any comments in writing by 5pm Friday 19th July 2018. Email responses to: [eo@lickeyandblackwellpc.org](mailto:eo@lickeyandblackwellpc.org) or post to: Trinity Centre, 411 Old Birmingham Road, Lickey Birmingham B45 8ES.
- 5.8 Consultation Bodies and other consultees were contacted by email / letter (**see Appendix V**).

## 6.0 Formal Consultation Responses to the Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan

- 6.1 General responses were submitted from several consultation bodies including the Marine Management Organisation, Natural England, Environment Agency and the Coal Authority. Highways England welcomed and supported policy commitments under Policy INF1 supporting walking, cycling and improvements in local transport within the area. Birmingham City Council noted the recognition given to the Green Belt Review 2021. Catshill and North Marlbrook Parish Council provided several detailed comments about layout and design and supporting text.
- 6.2 Historic England were extremely supportive of the document, noting "*Historic England is extremely supportive of both the content of the document and the vision and objectives set out in it. The recognition in the Plan of the importance of the local historic environment and the need to retain and enhance heritage assets and the Parish's sense of place, both of which contribute to the well-being of the community, is highly commendable and Historic England strongly support that view. The emphasis on the conservation of local distinctiveness through good design and the protection of locally significant buildings and landscape character including important views, biodiversity and Green Space is equally to be applauded.*"
- 6.3 Worcestershire County Council provided advice in relation to several policy areas including advice about the historic farmstead characterisation project, HER and fuel poverty, energy efficiency and providing dementia friendly environments. The comments have been used to inform new policy wording in the NDP.
- 6.4 Bromsgrove DC did not provide detailed comments at this stage as they had been involved closely with the preparation of the NDP throughout.
- 6.7 Responses were submitted by 10 residents. Most comments were supportive of the NDP and there were suggestions about the importance of adequate local infrastructure and the need to protect countryside and Green Belt.
- 6.8 There were detailed responses from three developer / landowners. The majority of these comments referred to proposed sites in the Green Belt and there were also some objections to policy wording. One respondent commented about the need to strengthen housing provision in the area to support the aging population. Some changes to the supporting text and policy wording have been made in response to these comments.
- 6.9 Tables setting out the complete list of responses, together with the Parish Councils' consideration of these and any resulting changes to the NDP are provided as an accompanying document to the Consultation Statement.

## Appendix I Early Informal Consultation

### Application for Designation



**Bromsgrove**  
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#### **Bromsgrove District Council** **Application to designate a Neighbourhood Plan Area**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following parishes:

**LICKEY & BLACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL**  
**AND**  
**COFTON HACKETT PARISH COUNCIL**

Have applied to Bromsgrove District Council for designation of a joint Neighbourhood Plan Area under Part 2 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

This application and a map of the combined Neighbourhood Area can be viewed on:  
[www.bromsgrove.gov.uk/cms/environment-and-planning/planning/strategic-planning/neighbourhood-planning.aspx](http://www.bromsgrove.gov.uk/cms/environment-and-planning/planning/strategic-planning/neighbourhood-planning.aspx)

Comments on this application can be made by email to:  
[strategicplanning@bromsgrove.gov.uk](mailto:strategicplanning@bromsgrove.gov.uk) or by post to:

Strategic Planning  
Bromsgrove District Council  
The Council House  
Burcot Lane  
Bromsgrove  
B60 1AA

The relevant map and notice may also be viewed at the Council House reception on Burcot Lane and at the Customer Service Centre at School Drive Bromsgrove.

All comments must be received by **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August 2014**.

## Copy of A5 Flyer

### Why a Neighbourhood Plan?

Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council along with Cofton Hackett Parish Council have combined to form a Neighbourhood Plan area with the purpose of developing a joint Neighbourhood Development Plan. It is a sensible union as our border is the Lickey Hills Country park, and we are adjacent to the boundary of Birmingham City Council.

A Neighbourhood Plan, once made, will form part of the statutory local development plan for the area and its policies will be used to determine development proposals in the neighbourhood. Planning applications will be determined in accordance with the Neighbourhood Plan's policies unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

The Neighbourhood Plan may identify key sites for specific kinds of development, such as housing, retail, employment or mixed use.

### But we can't do this without you.

Community engagement is paramount. It is a requirement of planning legislation including for Neighbourhood Plans. It is essential in developing consensus and creating community support. Finding out what our residents, landowners, businesses and visitors think and drawing on their skills and local knowledge is an important part of developing the evidence base for an area and developing the Neighbourhood Plan, leading to more realistic and deliverable plans and policies.

So please come to one of the Consultation events, and share your thoughts, or via our online survey, available at [www.lickeyandblackwellpc.org](http://www.lickeyandblackwellpc.org)

Consultations will be held on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June

10am-noon          Cofton Hackett Village Hall

1-3pm                The Trinity Centre, Lickey

4-6pm                The Wheel, Blackwell

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June

6-8pm                The Trinity Centre, Lickey

## Copy of First NDP Questionnaire

### Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan - Stakeholder Consultation

The Lickey and Blackwell Neighbourhood Plan will make recommendations about the future development of our parish and it should reflect the wishes and aspirations of all who live, work or own land, property or businesses here. **It will aim to retain and improve local services and infrastructure and to identify local heritage assets.** It can be as imaginative and forward looking as we want it to be.

This short questionnaire seeks to find out what your priorities are in order to guide the work of the neighbourhood planning group. We do not want to be too directive in this initial survey and the questions below are very open. We hope that you will discuss them and complete the survey as a household.

**It is YOUR PLAN and your replies to the questions below are important.**

1. What do you LIKE MOST about living or working here? Please list your likes in order of importance.

2. What do you DISLIKE MOST? Again in order of importance, please.

3. What would most IMPROVE this parish? In order of importance to you and your whole family.

Do you have any particular concerns about the future of our area?

Although respondents are anonymous it will help with later profiling, if you can provide information about your gender and age by ticking the appropriate options in the boxes below.

<b>Gender</b>	Female	<input type="checkbox"/>	Male	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Age</b>	under 20	<input type="checkbox"/>	21 to 30	<input type="checkbox"/>	31 to 40	<input type="checkbox"/>
	51 to 60	<input type="checkbox"/>	61 to 70	<input type="checkbox"/>	71 to 80	<input type="checkbox"/>
					over 80	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Locality** 6.1 Please provide a post code (no house number required). .....

As well as living in the parish, do you own a business here? Yes ☐ No ☐

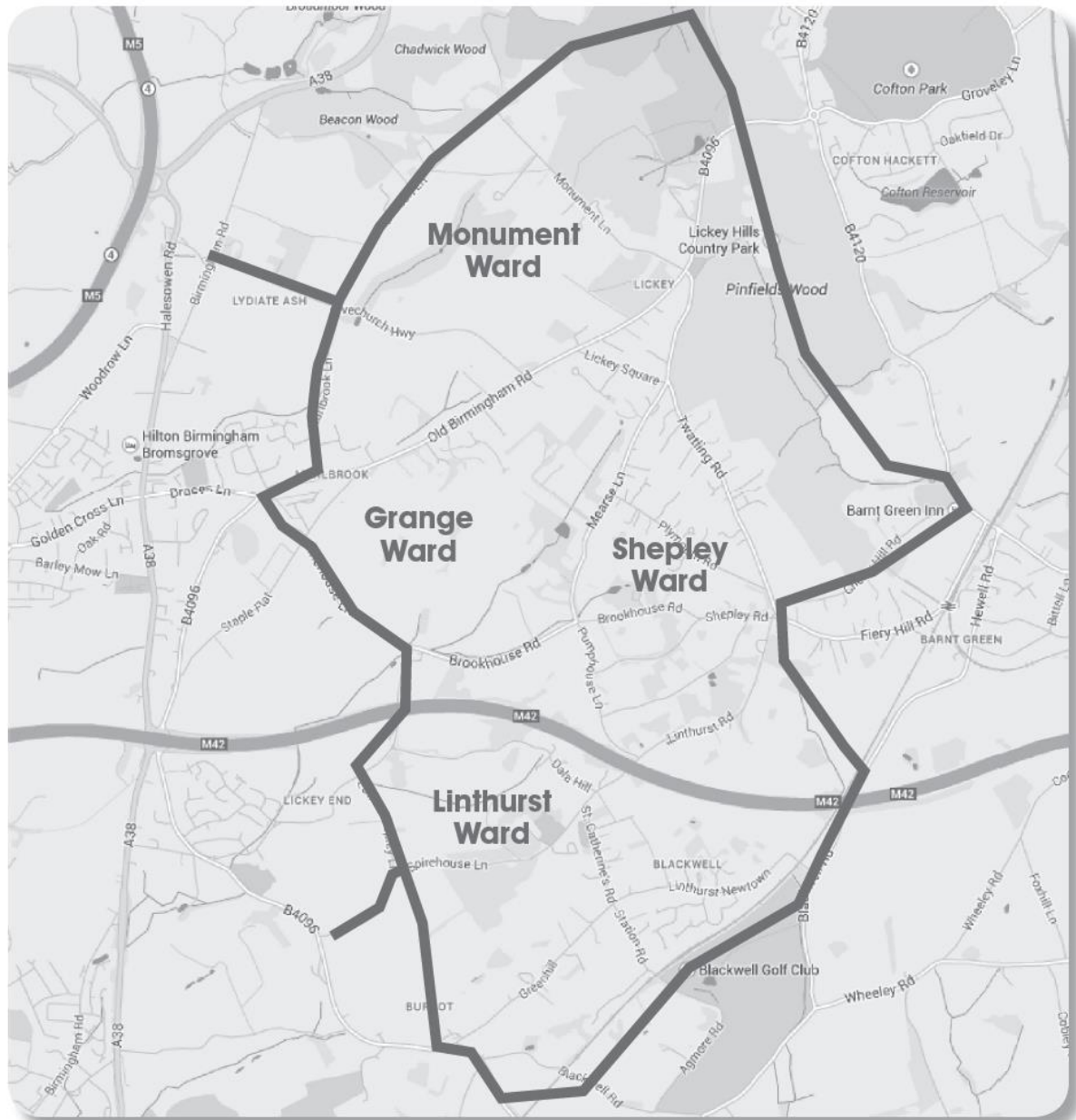
Do you own land in the parish apart from your garden? Yes ☐ No ☐

### What next?

You can bring your completed questionnaire to **the Parish Assembly on Monday 7th April** at 8.00pm at the Wheel, St Catherine's Church, Blackwell; **Blackwell Village Stores; Trinity Centre office (weekdays).** **You can also scan and send to [eo@lickeyandblackwellpc.org](mailto:eo@lickeyandblackwellpc.org)** or any parish councillor (see newsletter for addresses)

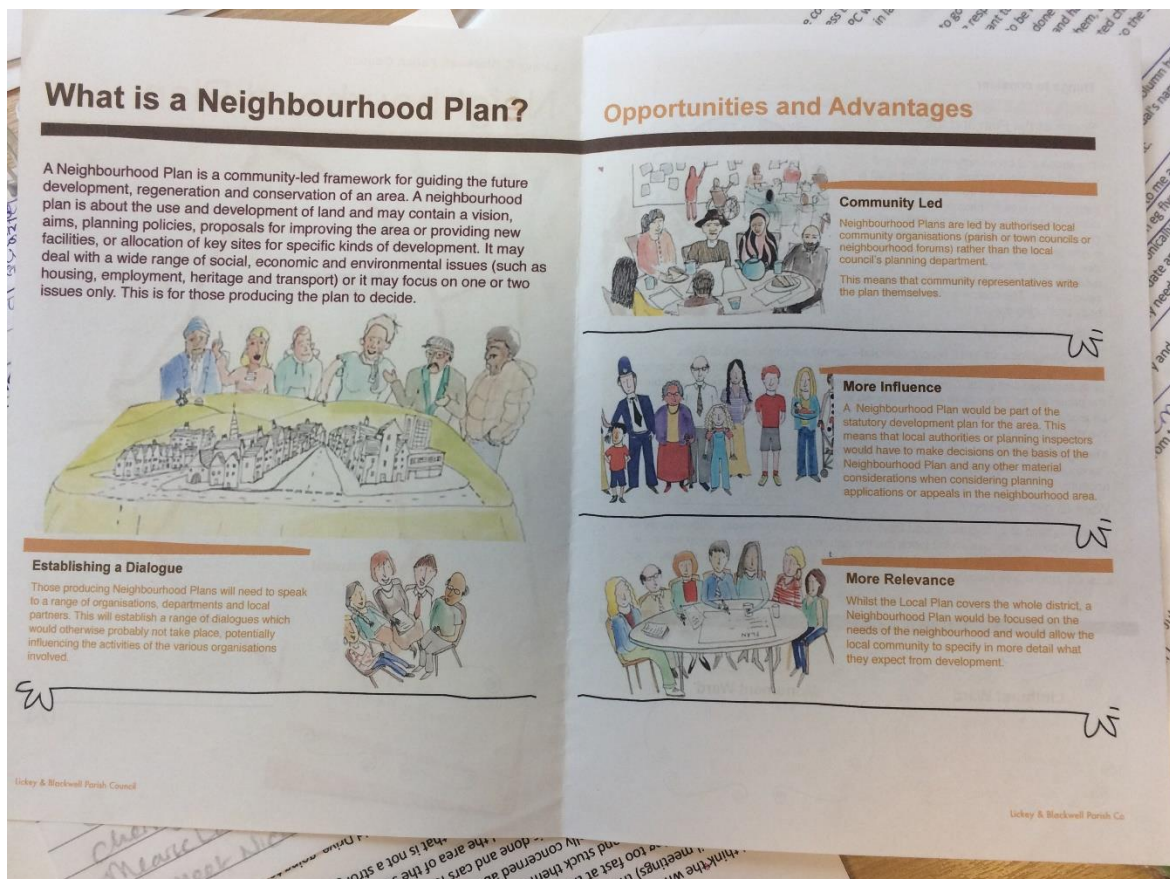
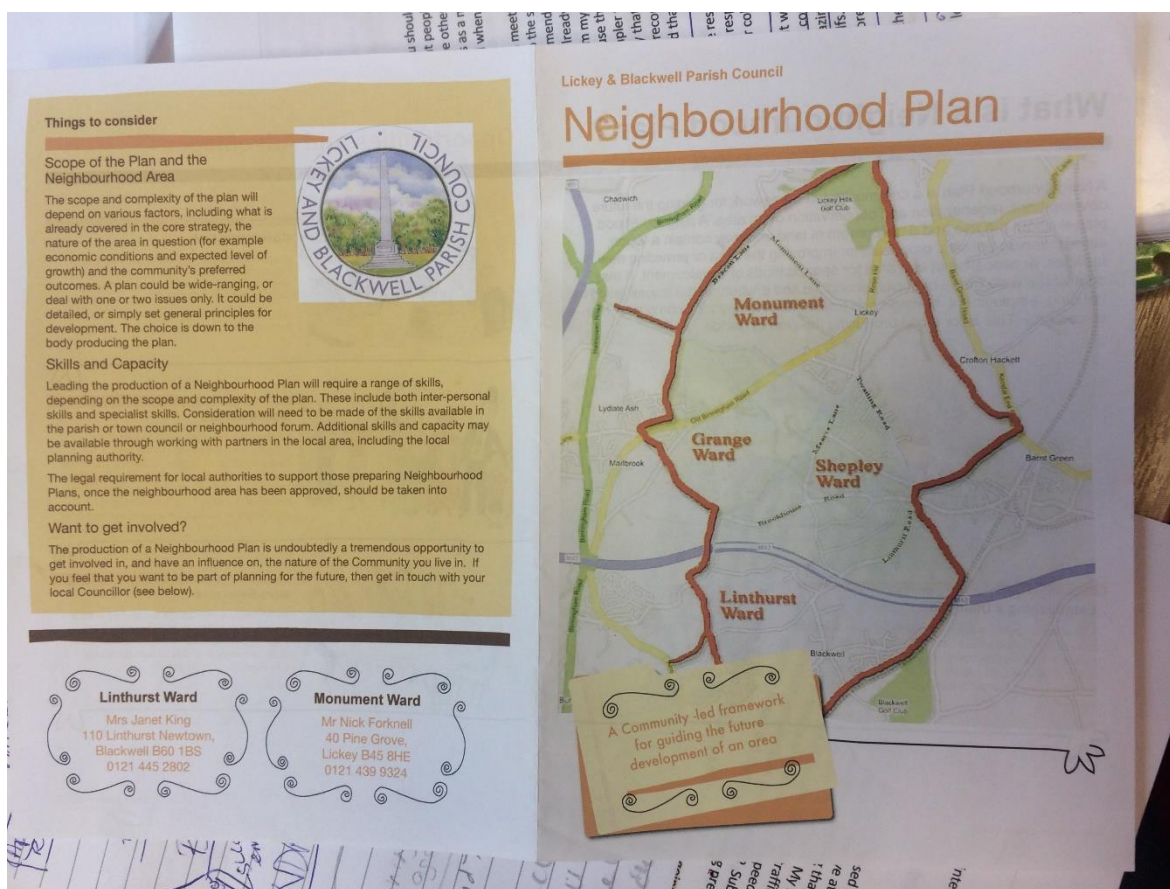


## Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan - Stakeholder Consultation



**The Parish of Lickey and Blackwell**

## Copy of Leaflet Distributed at Residents' Meetings



## **Notes from early Residents Meetings**

### **BBL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (NP)**

#### **Report on two NP Residents' Forum meetings October 2013**

#### **Lickey Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 7.30 – 9.30pm**

Trinity Centre was our venue as 11 residents and our LBPC executive officer took part in a talk and discussion session with speaker, Cllr Mary Green of Alvechurch PC and NP group.

Present: Judith Casey, Old B'ham Rd (former eo LBPC); Helen Doherty, executive officer, LBPC; Cllr Nick Fornell (MC); Cllrs Jill and Peter Harvey; Mr and Mrs Christine and Stuart Howe, The Badgers, Mearse Lane; Cllr Janet King; Alison Rushton, Lickey Church; Ivor Stephenson, Twatling Rd; John Williams, Old B'ham Rd (former deputy chair LBPC).

#### **The event programme.**

1 Talk on Neighbourhood Plans – opportunities and challenges by Cllr Mary Green.

Summary:

The advantages of a NP:

- ✓ A means of informing district and county councils about the wishes and needs of a local community in order to influence future development (within the constraints of the District Plan).
- ✓ A way of bringing the local community together (group empowerment, clarification of what the community values and friendship building).
- ✓ An opportunity to learn more about the local authority planning process and concepts such as Landscape Character Assessments.
- ✓ An opportunity for residents to find out more about their local community eg by collecting the demographics of the area.
- ✓ A community with a NP can receive 25% of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) from the developer if development does happen (otherwise only 15%).
- ✓ Funding of up to £7,000 to prepare the Plan should be available.

#### **Constraints**

The Plan must comply with the District Plan and its recommendations must be sustainable ie economically, environmentally and socially viable. A Sustainability Appraisal prepared by a consultant may be needed.

The Plan must be accepted by the local community by a 50+% vote at a referendum

No funding, other than the CIL, is guaranteed if the Plan suggests infrastructure improvements.

The parish would seek funding in the usual ways.

2 Group discussions with scribe, answering the questions

What do we like about our area?

What do we dislike about our area?

The presentations of each group's answers were useful as a stimulus to further discussion and may be found at the end of this report..

Attendees were invited to join the NP group, which meets monthly at The Wheel.

Leaflets Neighbourhood Plan and insert are attached.

## **Blackwell Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October 10.00am – 12.00noon**

The venue was Blackwell Social Club, which also provided refreshments. Although we had hoped for more in this well-knit community, again 11 attendees listened to Cllr Mary Green's talk (adapted to address local issues).

Present: Ann Addison, Linthurst Newtown; Cllr Nick Forknell; Margaret Hanrahan, Gleneagles Dr.; Mr and Mrs Julie and John Hardy, Linthurst Newtown; Pete Hobbs, Gleneagles Dr.; Cllr Janet King(MC); Anne McGrath, Linthurst Newtown; Roz Scanlon, Linthurst Newtown; Anthea ....., representing Blackwell Social Club.

The programme was as above with minor changes to Mary Green's talk to include local issues.

### **Results of the group discussions.**

#### **What we like about our area.**

Many of the likes were the same in both parts of the parish

1 Green fields and country park, villages surrounded by Green Belt, part of the peaceful countryside.

2 Good motorway links and easy access to Birmingham

3 Good local schools and pre-school provisionx and church which form their own communities.

4 Friendly local people.

5 Low crime rate.

6 Barnt Green is seen as a useful hub with good shops and medical services and the rail station.

However some of the likes were specific to each area

Lickey residents mentioned the healthy Lickey Hills and Bittell reservoirs.

Blackwell residents liked their Social Club, children's play area and the lively community spirit as seen in the annual Blackwell Festival (though Lickey is included).

#### **What we dislike about our area.**

Some dislikes were again common to both areas.

1 Lack of a post office.

2 Speeding on a number of roads.

3 Perception that neither district nor county councils are serving this area well – are we too far away from the centre? 'dysfunctional district council'

4 Parking in inappropriate and sometimes dangerous places including on the pavement ( especially but not solely around the schools) No enforcement.

5 Inadequate public transport

6 Dog mess despite provision of bins.

Lickey residents disliked: creeping urbanisation; a feeling of no community/isolation (gated property owner); no community centre or social club; the Marlbrook Tip problem.

Blackwell residents' dislikes: the difficulty of walking to Barnt Green with no lighting or footway; managing without our own rail station; lack of land maintenance by absentee landlords eg Linthurst Newtown; inadequate signage on public footpaths (where do they go to?); the bus shelter issue was raised (not a NP issue); school transport costs seen as unfair (now favours North Bromsgrove HS where the bus is free whilst parents must pay to access South); no play facilities for older young people.

Verdict; really useful tho we wanted more participants.

**Future plans;** to be developed at next NP group meeting 14 October.

Groups which could be invited to NP meetings

PTA s and governing boards at both schools

Church

Lickey and St Catherines WIs

L H Local History and Lickey Hills Societies

Sports clubs at both village halls

Janet King

12 October 2013



## Comments at Village Festival July 2013

### Neighbourhood Plan Villager's Views at Blackwell Festival July 2013

#### Positive

Community Spirit  
Low Crime  
Brilliant Local Shop  
Great School  
It is good there is a village centre with  
a Church and Shop  
I should like more Sports/Leisure facilities  
for teens and adults in the Parish  
Would like a Local Post Office  
Strong Sense of Community  
  
Park  
Keep Blackwell as a village. Leave green  
fields alone!!!  
Enjoy living in such a Green and Leafy Area  
  
Good Community Spirit  
  
Pet Shop/Re-homing Centre  
Small village community  
Friendly people  
  
Low Crime  
Great school/Playgroup  
  
Cafe

#### Negative

Speeding through the village  
Better Bus Service  
Traffic Control in the village  
Traffic free cycle route  
Slow down signs on Greenhill  
"Flashing"  
Too many Potholed roads and  
terrible pavements  
Speeding Issues  
Old Burcot Lane, Brook needs  
cleaning out  
More frequent Bus Service  
Dog Poo  
  
Something done about cars  
parking on pavements  
  
Any person who owns a dog is  
responsible for picking  
up their dog poo! Please  
post a door-to-door note.  
  
Less Dog Mess!  
Traffic calming by the school  
Better (more frequent) bus  
service  
  
Quite simply Dog poo!  
Restrict people changing  
hedging for walls  
  
Phone signal  
Fast Broadband!

**It's a beautiful village, let's maintain that!**

Better Bus Service; why not  
hourly service?

Bring back Blackwell Railway  
Station!

Extracts from Lickey & Blackwell Parish Newsletter, March 2014



**Lickey & Blackwell**  
Parish Council  
**NEWSLETTER**

Annual  
community  
group reports

Number 55 March 2014

incorporating the Annual Report



Blackwell First School Fete



Gilwell Park Winter Camp



Launching the Duckhouse

*You are cordially invited to*  
**The Annual Assembly**  
Monday 7th April, 2014  
8pm The Wheel, St Catherine's Rd, Blackwell

*Neighbourhood Plan Update &  
meet the Parish Councillors  
followed by Cheese & Wine  
all welcome*



Lickey Hills Geo-Champions

BLACKWELL  
COVERY HOSPITAL  
FROM RAILWAY.

PC Meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at 7.30pm with a councillor available from 7.10pm  
Meetings include allotted time for questions from the public – all residents are most welcome to attend.  
Forthcoming dates: 12th May, Lickey • 2nd June, Blackwell • 7th July, Lickey • August recess  
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background: Blackwell Recovery Hospital from the Lickey Incline, postcard

- **OCTOBER – Neighbourhood Plan**

Lickey residents met to hear Cllr. Mary Green of Alvechurch Parish Council speak about the Neighbourhood Plan process. Since then several more meetings have given residents some insight into the plan, which our parish is now undertaking. See Neighbourhood Plan item, P. 6.



We are consulted on every planning application within the parish. So far this year we have reviewed 42 applications, primarily for home improvements, from loft conversions to extensions to add bedrooms, bathrooms and gyms, orangeries replacing old conservatories and even pool houses. We have not had any applications for multiple dwellings, but several for new single or replacement dwellings. Details of planning applications should be displayed in close proximity to the site and all details can be found on Bromsgrove District Council's website, in the planning section, under 'Public Access'.

## Neighbourhood Plan

During 2013, your Parish Council have been active in gaining views of local residents and forming a steering committee in preparation for the task of formulating a Neighbourhood Plan. This plan is the means by which local residents can have some say in guiding policies for future development, regeneration and conservation in their area.

We started asking for your opinions at the 'Blackwell-by-the-Sea' event in the summer, then from two Resident's forums held in October. From the Lickey and St. Catherine's WI groups, the Lickey Hills Local History Group and at the recent over 60s Residents Tea & Talk Party.

There were a wide variety of views and opinions expressed on many issues and we need to reach more of our residents to establish what are the key things that should concern us when looking to the future. To this end you should find a simple questionnaire delivered to you with this Newsletter. Please consider the questions carefully and send your answers back to us so that the Neighbourhood Plan Group can carefully consider what you feel about your locality.

The Neighbourhood Plan Group has grown this year as we have considered the position of Lickey and Blackwell in the locality. We realised that we couldn't act on your behalf in considering policies for future development without taking into account the needs and intentions of surrounding communities. We have, therefore, asked the neighbouring parish of Cofton Hackett and residents from Burcot village to join with us in driving this local initiative forward.

We are also in discussion with the Neighbourhood Plan committee from Barnt Green Parish Council in order to ensure that we present a cohesive and relevant plan to the Inspectorate that will have lasting benefits for the 'way of life' in our community.



## Extracts from Lickey & Blackwell PC Newsletter - September 2015



**LICKEY AND BLACKWELL**  
**PARISH COUNCIL**

# NEWSLETTER

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Residents & press are invited to attend our PC Meetings  
usually the first Monday of the month at 7.30pm with allotted public questions time  
Forthcoming dates: 7 September, Blackwell | 5 October, Lickey | 2 November, Blackwell | 7 December, Lickey

#### RECORDING OUR PARISH

The Neighbourhood Plan group has invited Jack Hanson, a historic environment expert, to lead us in an exercise designed to improve our understanding of



how our area has become what it is today. We shall be working in small groups recording the characteristics of selected streets and other areas and hearing about the provenance of some of

our more interesting buildings. Come and join us for 'Mapping our Parish' on Saturday 12 September 2-4pm beginning at The Wheel, Blackwell.

If you are unable to attend but have any information on the history of your property that you are willing to share, please do let us know. There are some wonderful properties of significant local provenance within the parish.

## Appendix II Issues and Options Consultation - Autumn 2016

### Copy of Questionnaire

#### LICKEY & BLACKWELL AND COFTON HACKETT NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN (NDP) ISSUE AND OPTIONS – AUTUMN 2016

##### Questionnaire

###### Policy Option 1

Should the NDP include a planning policy to protect and enhance local landscape character in Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett?

This could include a requirement for development to include landscaping schemes which appropriate to the local landscape character type and for development to be sited and designed to enhance the distinctive characteristics of the local area.

YES or NO:

Comments:

###### Policy Option 2

Should the NDP include a planning policy to promote a green infrastructure (GI) approach to new development in Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett?

This could include identification of natural environmental assets such as Lickey Hills and a policy to protect and enhance these, through for instance, encouraging new development to include measures to protect and enhance local wildlife and habitats, provide recreational opportunities and incorporate measures to reduce any impacts on climate change.

YES or NO:

Comments:

Refer to main Consultation Document for details

1

#### LICKEY & BLACKWELL AND COFTON HACKETT NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN (NDP) ISSUE AND OPTIONS – AUTUMN 2016

###### Policy Option 3

Should the NDP include a planning policy which sets out design guidelines for sympathetic new development and alterations to buildings in the Barnt Green Conservation Area?

This would include a character appraisal identifying the key characteristics of that part of the Conservation Area that lies within the neighbourhood area.

YES or NO:

Comments:

###### Policy Option 4

Should the NDP include a planning policy which sets out design guidelines for sympathetic new development and alterations to buildings across the NDP area that is not within the Conservation Area?

This would include a character appraisal identifying the key characteristics of different character areas within the various settlements.

YES or NO:

Comments:

Should the policy also promote sustainable design which responds to climate change policies?

YES or NO:

Refer to main Consultation Document for details

2

**Policy Option 5**

Should the NDP include a planning policy to guide small scale new housing development ie infill within the existing settlements of Lickey and Blackwell and Cofton Hackett?

This could include for instance supporting the development of sites which have good access to local facilities, transport etc and which would not lead to unacceptable over development eg rear garden plots?

Do you want to consider identifying any site allocations for small infill development?

YES or NO:

Comments:

**Policy Option 6**

Do you want to consider the need for encouraging a range of different types of housing eg more, smaller starter homes, or homes for older people?

YES or NO:

**Policy Option 7**

The NDP could include provisions to enhance or increase the availability of land for specific commercial and business use.

Do you want to include a policy / site allocation for commercial or business premises?

YES or NO:

Comments:

Refer to main Consultation Document for details

3

**Policy Option 8**

The NDP could include a policy which protects local community facilities and supports investment in new facilities.

Do you want to include a policy / site allocation for a new community hub type facility?

YES or NO:

**Policy Option 9**

The NDP could include a policy which protects local recreational and sports facilities and supports investment in new facilities.

Should the NDP include this?

YES or NO:

Comments:

**Policy Option 10**

Should the NDP include a policy which identifies and protects local green spaces?

Do you agree with the candidate list in the document? Are there any other important local areas? If so, please tell us why they are important.

YES or NO:

Comments:

Refer to main Consultation Document for details

4

**Policy Option 11**

Should the NDP include a policy which supports investment in local transport and traffic management measures?

YES or NO:

Comments:

If so these need identifying and justifying.

Should the Plan include an identified network of walking and cycling routes linking residential areas to local facilities and the open countryside and Lickey Hills Country Park, also to Longbridge?

YES or NO:

**Policy Option 11**

Should the NDP include a policy which supports investment carefully designed and sited communications technology?

YES or NO:

Faster fibre broadband connectivity could be required as part of new development.

Refer to main Consultation Document for details



## Results of Consultation

### RESIDENTS QUESTIONNAIRE OCTOBER 2016

#### COMMENTS

#### POLICY NUMBER

#### OVERVIEW OF CONCERNS AND SUGGESTIONS

1

#### Should the NDP include a planning policy to protect and enhance local landscape character in Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett?

Not to hinder sensible in-fill development

Objections fine if applied reasonably

Landscape is a valuable asset, if lost cannot be replaced

Lickey Hills covered by plans and preservations of the Lickey Ranger Service

Vital to preserve character of the area and should be sympathetic to the local area

Once lost it will never return

Keep essence of village life

Provide adequate parking for new builds

Protect our Green Belt and rural appearance/Maintain semi-rural environment

Retain open landscape for recreation, exercise and for local wild life

Our NDP landscape character assessment document will enforce this policy, which will make all the difference between successful and acceptable development

Preserve green belt in Cofton Hackett for the enjoyment of both residents and towns people. New developments within existing built up areas on small plots only

If developer does not carry out agreed landscaping scheme planning permission should be enforced

Any development should be required to enhance the local area's character and landscaping; schemes should form a continuation of the overall village feel

Try and protect the green belt between Birmingham and our villages otherwise we will become swallowed up in the urban sprawl

Landscaping can work depending on the right mix of people i.e. first homes, children's homes, retiring homes



Each development should take into account the local landscape character and if possible enhance the distinctive characteristics

2

**Should the NDP include a planning policy to promote a green infrastructure (GI) approach to new developments in Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett**

Measures are unlikely to have affect on climate change

New developments should take into consideration the affect on climate change i.e. flooding etc. and should include landscaping features such as trees and planting to help absorb rainfall

Ensure our environmental assets are preserved and developed in ways to enhance them

Green spaces improve mental health. The Lickey Hills requires assistance to protect and enhance our environment

Stop building on the green spaces in the village

Everyone needs space and beauty

Need to preserve the Lickey Hills and green open spaces

Protect habitat for Hedgehogs

Introducing measures for climate change may be a step too far for the NDP

Essential for NDP to include a strict policy on G.I. approach to any new development, carefully preserving wildlife, habitat and to make conscious effort to reduce impact on climate change

Residents value the rural ambience and green infrastructure; this is why we have chosen to live here

No one wants to manage the G.I. or the liability. Over time it will become overgrown and unsightly

All natural environmental assets should be protected whether the Lickey Hills or new development of any kind so as to protect wildlife and their habitations; recreation facilities and amenities

It is important to protect and enhance the natural environment and ensure that any future developments are in keeping with the existing characteristics and protect the wildlife and their habitats

Much of this planning policy has been done by the Lickey Hills Country Park

Protection of local wildlife and habitation is vital

3

**Should he NDP include a planning policy which sets out design guidelines for sympathetic new development and alterations to buildings in the Barnt Green Conservation Area?**

Design and site of new buildings are absolutely crucial to their acceptability

Preservation of certain buildings i.e. The Bilberry Tea Rooms and The Rose and Crown plus The Oak Tree (The Chalet) which is a landmark

Applicants should be allowed to submit plans which would then be vetted for sustainability

High rise development seems inappropriate

Should not be too prescriptive we also need diversity not pastiche

The new developments have happened in blurring the edge of the town/country- could have had the same number of houses elsewhere in the village

Environmental mapping will identify what we have and what we want to preserve

4

**Should the NDP include a planning policy which sets out design guidelines for sympathetic new development and alterations to buildings across the NDP area that is not within the Conservation Area?**

Sympathetic development, no new housing estates, no more groups of 10 new builds acceptable

Design guidelines are as important outside the conservation areas as in them

Diversity of styles gives a feeling of evolving community

Should not be too prescriptive we also need diversity not pastiche

Any new developments or alterations should be done in a way to enhance all areas and not cause unexceptionable levels of traffic that lead to hold ups and accidents because of the narrow roads

The conservation area should be enlarged to cover the Lickey Parish areas which are so close to the Lickey Hills Country Park and it is such an important green belt area

All new developments should have design guidelines

**Should the policy also promote sustainable design which responds to climate change policies?**

Encourage design which does more than the basic minimum required by Building Regulations and NPPE

Provided a sensible approach is taken

Promote but not prescribe

Sometimes it is difficult to combine this with above! Solar panels and wind turbines in the conservation area

Best of luck in getting new/old developments to respect this

5

**Should the NDP include a planning policy to guide small scale new housing development ie infill within the existing settlements of Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett?**

Just infill; Blackwell hasn't got the roads for big development. Linthurst Newtown and Greenhill cannot cope with more traffic. Greenhill should be the conservation area

Particular need for starter homes and small 1/2/3 bedroom houses. Encourage a local community lead trust to build a small development of shared equity homes?

Highways not to be overloaded, too much traffic already in Cofton Hackett including double decker buses every 6 minutes along Groveley Lane

Greenhill and Linthurst Newtown Blackwell will not be able to take more cars, lorries and buses

Prefer this type of site (infill) to be green belt

Consider rear garden plots on a case by case alternative to demolishing larger properties to release land

Rear gardens should be considered as long as it is designed appropriately, it has no rear harm

Small sites should be developed with the agreement of local neighbours if they are done sympathetically and are not a garden grabbing exercise for profit only

See 'Village Design Statement'

This would have to be very carefully considered in conjunction with BDC

**Do you want to consider identifying any site allocations for small infill development?**

Laurel Bank Mews already on SHLAA

Where possible

Problem is the most suitable area would cause unwanted traffic problems – Exit and Barnt Green Road

6 **Do you want to consider the need for encouraging a range of different types of housing eg more, smaller starter homes, or homes for the older people?**

Infill sites could possibly be used for these

Had requested that homes for older people be built on East Works site, to be near family and friends, have been overruled. Now being built in Longbridge

A range of properties will give a more sustainable community

Starter homes and older people may need to be closer to all amenities i.e. bus routes, Doctor etc.

Yes, but in suitable locations

Homes for older people we are an ageing population

7

**The NDP could include provisions to enhance or increase the availability of land for specific commercial and business use**

Home businesses could be encouraged; better mobile signal needed in Blackwell

Commercial business development would need the use of more vehicles, roads in Blackwell couldn't cope

A good area for home businesses with some 'change of use' planning could be encouraged

Allocated sit for commercial use is next to buffer between Lickey and Malbrook which should be preserved, there are other commercial sites near our NDP area

Already many substantial commercial businesses. Businesses run in residential areas are known to cause parking problems

Maintaining residential character of area

A limited provision of cottage industries could be desirable but transport issues suggest large scale activities would not be appropriate

Blackwell is a residential area

Office/shop accommodation could be considered in the right location

Doubtful if the necessary site is available – maybe Tutnal and Cobley??

Some areas exist for small businesses. These could be enhanced

8

**The NDP could include a policy which protects local community facilities and supports investment in new facilities**

None available in Blackwell

It is possible that the site of the existing Cofton Village Hall may be available for a number of flats for the elderly

Existing facilities should be protected but they are not fully booked at Blackwell. The community was originally promised access to the Hunters Hill Sports Hall – and contributed on that basis

Difficult as it would need parking spaces to be sustainable. Is there a need, will it be used?

All larger developments should consider investment in new facilities

9

**The NDP could include a policy which protects local recreational and sports facilities and supports new investment in new facilities**

Protect and improve what we have – no new Sports Hall, Bromsgrove is building one. Unless Blackwell scouts build one

Blackwell desperately needs a community hall large enough for sports facilities and social events

Cofton Hackett is well covered with facilities both local and in Longbridge

Should encourage some sports facilities – no floodlighting

Particularly for medium sized housing developments if they are envisaged

It is important with new recreational and sports facilities that there would be adequate parking

No unavailability of land – possible if Hunters Hill School has a change of use in the next 25 years or so

10

**Should the NDP include a policy which identifies and protects local green spaces?**

Why isn't Greenhill a conservation area, it should be

Include the fields on each side of our public footpath, walkers do not want to walk between buildings or housing estates

Area by Chestnut Drive leading to Cofton Church Lane needs to be preserved as it is a much used area for children's play, dog walking and socialising

Include Marlbrook tip as a protected green space

In principal, but would need to be discussed with owners to protect their own interests

Our greatest asset in the local area are the Lickey Hills which hopefully will always be protected

"High House Wood" in Lickey may need protection of its carpet use

Already considered in last development

11

**Should the NDP include a policy which supports investment in local transport and traffic management measures?**

Again car traffic through Blackwell prevent further development. To improve this would be very difficult - almost impossible

Serious parking problems at schools

Overdue urgent traffic calming needed on Groveley Lane between Rednal and Parsonage Drive

More comprehensive bus service needed

Direct link bus service Bromsgrove to Birmingham via Lickey/Rose Hill

Principle is fine but cost of such works may be prohibitive

For safety aspects

Much depends on the development of new transport systems e.g. driverless cars in communities

Strict control of traffic speeds on local roads

**Should the Plan include an identified network of walking and cycling routes linking residential areas to local facilities and the open countryside and Lickey Hills Country Park, also to Longbridge?**

Walking and Cycling routes – yes, if possible

Our roads are too narrow where cycles routes could be developed

Can't think how this can be done

Further improvements in the footpath from Blackwell to Barnt Green would be most welcome and should not need vast expenditure

They have to be maintained

No room for cycling lanes in some areas

There are areas which need looking at e.g. the congestion in Twatling Road outside the Church and the blind junctions at each end of Lickey Square

Recognition of current usage of paths and cycle ways

12

**Should the NDP include a policy which supports investment carefully designed and sited communications technology?**

Mobile phone reception throughout the Parish, some areas still have no reception

Homeworking needs fast working broadband connections

Is it available in the area?

It is hoped that this will improve with Government investment

Seems O.K. for our usage at 54mps – but not all will get this now

Improve mobile phone reception and fibre broadband connecting

**Additional comments:**

Keep Blackwell a village with green tree areas. Once lost it will never return

Stop converting houses into larger properties. Why ask for 2 bed houses and then give planning to convert the ones we have into 3/4 bed?

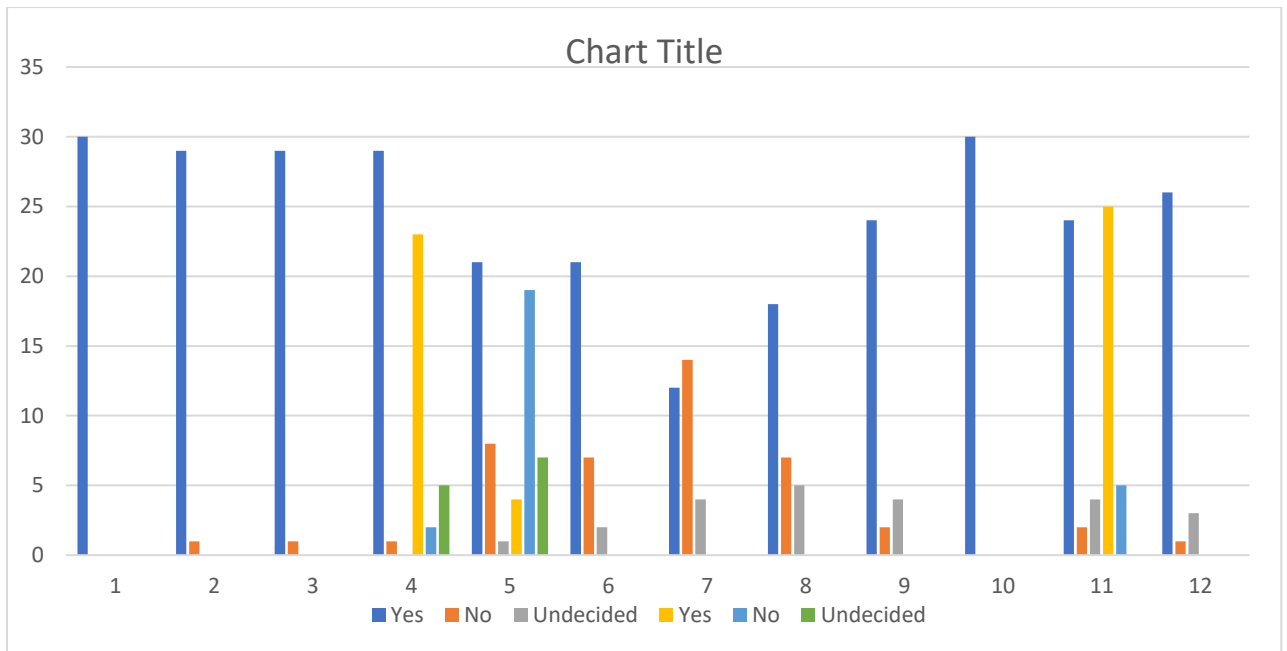
Try to keep and make better what we have

Please put back the “welcome” sign on Greenhill

A need for access to sporting facilities and a meeting place for the ‘active older people’ who are not in need of residential care but may be lonely, their partner may have passed on. Suggest a type of student accommodation for older people – 10/12 houses around a pub could be a starting point!

Somewhere that local elderly can downsize and stay within the support network of friends/family while remaining independent





Policy Number	Yes	No	Undecided	Yes	No	Undecided
1	30	0	0			
2	29	1	0			
3	29	1				
4	29	1	0	23	2	5
5	21	8	1	4	19	7
6	21	7	2			
7	12	14	4			
8	18	7	5			
9	24	2	4			
10	30	0	0			
11	24	2	4	25	5	0
12	26	1	3			

## Appendix III First Draft Plan

### Publicity

#### Poster



## HAVE YOUR SAY on your Neighbourhood Plan

### Consultation events:

#### **Saturday 24 June 2017**

10am-noon	Cofton Hackett Village Hall
1-3pm	The Trinity Centre, Lickey
4-6pm	The Wheel, Blackwell

#### **Wednesday 28 June 2017**

6-8pm	The Trinity Centre, Lickey
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## Extracts from Lickey & Blackwell Parish Council Newsletter, June 2017

**LICKEY AND BLACKWELL**  
**PARISH COUNCIL**

# NEWSLETTER

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**NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**  
YOU ARE CORDIALLY  
INVITED TO ATTEND THE  
CONSULTATION SESSIONS:

SATURDAY 24TH JUNE  
AND  
WEDNESDAY 28TH JUNE  
- DETAILS PAGE THREE

*St George's*

Residents & press are invited to attend our PC Meetings  
usually the first Monday of the month at 7.30pm with allotted public questions time  
Forthcoming dates: 3 July, Blackwell | August Recess, no meeting | 4 September, Lickey

## WHY A NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN?

NICK FORKNELL, LEAD

Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council along with Cofton Hackett Parish Council have combined to form a Neighbourhood Plan area with the purpose of developing a joint plan. It is a sensible union as our border is the Lickey Hills Country Park, and we are adjacent to the boundary of Birmingham City Council.



### Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A Neighbourhood Plan, once made, will form part of the statutory local development plan for the area and its policies will be used to determine development proposals in the neighbourhood. Planning applications will be determined in accordance with the Neighbourhood Plan's policies unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

The Neighbourhood Plan may identify key sites for specific kinds of development, such as housing, retail, employment or mixed use.

## BUT WE CAN'T DO THIS WITHOUT YOU!

Community engagement is paramount. It is a requirement of planning legislation including for Neighbourhood Plans. It is essential in developing consensus and creating community support.

Finding out what our residents, landowners, businesses and visitors think and drawing on their skills and local knowledge is an important part of developing the evidence base for an area and developing the Neighbourhood Plan, leading to more realistic and deliverable plans and policies.

So please come to one of our second round of Consultation events, and share your thoughts, or via our online survey, available at: [www.lickeyandblackwellpc.org](http://www.lickeyandblackwellpc.org)

#### The next round of consultations will be held:

Saturday 24 June

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## Results of Consultation

### FIRST DRAFT PLAN PREFERRED OPTIONS SPRING / SUMMER 2017

#### CONSULTATION QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS 14 JULY 2017 RETURN RESULTS: 44 ON-LINE & 8 PAPER

Development proposals should seek to preserve and enhance the neighbourhood area's natural geodiversity and the man-made legacy of quarrying and stone working.

#### DRAFT POLICY NE2 – LOCAL LANDSCAPE CHARACTER

Landscaping proposals in new development should take into account the latest Worcestershire Landscape Character Assessment and its guidelines in accordance with Policy BDP 21.1.

##### Comments:

- *we should protect the local landscape, especially wildlife habitats and keep the buffer zones between developments.*

#### DRAFT POLICY NE3 – PROTECTING AND ENHANCING LOCAL BIODIVERSITY

Development proposals that impact on local wildlife and habitats identified on Map 4, on page 34, should demonstrate how biodiversity will be protected and enhanced.

##### Comments:

- *our local area has many areas of importance to wildlife which you can see on the map, even some SSSIs which should all be protected.*
- *The woodland and wildlife are an attractive feature in our area.*
- *We should protect our nature and natural wildlife habitats for future generations*

#### DRAFT POLICY NE4 – GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE (GI)

New development should ensure the protection and enhancement of the existing green infrastructure assets and the creation of multifunctional green infrastructure networks as part of master planning, landscaping and building design.

GI networks should contribute to ecological enhancements, flood risk and water quality management, and the landscape and historic character of Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett.

##### Comments:

- *Flooding has been a problem in heavy rain on Linthurst Newtown in Blackwell*
- *we need to avoid any development which can only exacerbate this problem.*
- *Flooding can be an issue locally.*



#### **DRAFT POLICY NO.BD1 – BARNT GREEN CONSERVATION AREA**

New Development within the Conservation area should take account of the appropriateness of the height of buildings, their scale and detailing, the type of materials used, the building form and plot densities such that they complement and fit in with the existing style and requirements.

##### **Comments:**

- Our Conservation Area is beautiful and historically important too. It adds to the pleasure and value of living in the parish.*
- We are lucky to have protection for many buildings which are part of our local heritage with the conservation area, however there are other areas like Greenhill, the farmsteads around Dale Hill and the Cottages on Warren Lane which also need to be protected.*
- Visitors come to our area because of the attractive surroundings natural and manmade.*

#### **DRAFT POLICY BD2 – ENCOURAGING HIGH QUALITY DESIGN**

Development proposals for new buildings in the neighbourhood area are required to respond positively to a set of building design principles as outlined in the Draft Policy.

##### **Comments:**

- it is important that any new development should fit in and not detract from the feel of the village – there are lots of mature trees, big gardens and lovely brick, roofs and windows on many of the older buildings.*
- Our area has many buildings which are interesting and important to our heritage, we need to protect them and their surroundings and make sure that new building is to a high standard and in keeping.*
- Workmanship, skills and high-quality design should be encouraged. Not just 'Arts and crafts' but cutting-edge design too.*

#### **DRAFT POLICY H1 – NEW HOUSING WITHIN EXISTING SETTLEMENTS**

Development of previously developed land or buildings within existing settlements and built up areas which are not in the designated Green Belt, will be supported in line with BD2.1

1. New Development is designed sensitively and meets the criteria set out in other neighbourhood development plan policies;
2. Sites have good access to local facilities and public transport networks;
3. Proposals minimise any adverse impacts on local residential amenity and give careful consideration to noise, odour and light;
4. Development does not lead to ribbon development along existing road networks.

##### **Comments:**

- we should take care to keep our villages separate and stop development which will lead to villages joining together. Old Birmingham Road between Marlbrook and Lickey and the end of Linthurst Newtown in Blackwell near to the railway are 2 areas that need to stay green.*
- Not all our area is protected by the conservation area – we need to protect other areas like Greenhill, the farms around Dale Hill and the large houses around Brookhouse Lane as well.*
- New building should be done sensitively & be in keeping with the surrounding properties.*



#### **DRAFT POLICY H2 – HOUSING MIX**

New development will be encouraged to contribute towards a wider mix of house types and sizes in the neighbourhood area to meet local needs.

In particular, schemes will be supported which provide smaller, one and two bedroom properties suitable for first time buyers and smaller households, and properties designed to meet the changing needs of older residents.

Schemes which provide new houses which have more than three bedrooms will be required to provide reasonable justification and robust evidence of local need.

##### **Comments:**

- It is important for Blackwell to keep its village status and accommodate for first time buyers especially from the locality as well as building smaller homes for people wanting to downsize but still want a brick built property – not a “fixed mobile home”. As is in village now.*
- I disagree, I paid a premium to live in this village and I think that we should avoid having too many smaller and cheaper houses.*
- We already have plenty of affordable homes in surrounding areas as well as in places like Laurel Bank Mews and the mobile homes.*
- More bungalows would be good.*
- High quality and low impact, low-cost housing is achievable and should be what we build instead of more lego style homes.*

#### **DRAFT POLICY B1 – SUPPORTING APPROPRIATE LOCAL ENTERPRISE**

Development of new small scale employment and service related business facilities will be supported when:

1. Any adverse impacts from traffic on the existing local road network are minimised through suitable traffic management measures and traffic calming schemes; and
2. There is adequate provision of parking for employees & visitors, where possible provided on site;
3. Local residential amenity is protected and suitable measures are put in place to minimise any noise or other disturbance;
4. Development is located within the existing built up areas of that part of the large settlement of Barnt Green which is within the neighbourhood area, and the small settlements of Blackwell and Cofton Hackett (as set out in BDP2 Policy Settlement Hierarchy Policy)

##### **Comments:**

- For Blackwell not sure where any small scale business for employment could actually be found unless the large field by the motor and railway bridge – or the field at the top of Green Hill, are considered.*

#### **DRAFT POLICY B2 – SUPPORTING HOME WORKING**

Development for home working will be supported when it would involve alterations or extensions to an existing dwelling which are not significant, or it would be part of a proposal for a dwelling house that re-uses or brings back into use an existing building.

Proposals for new housing developments are encouraged to incorporate provision for home based offices.

Development should not have an adverse impact on residential amenity, built heritage, the natural environment or landscape character.

**Comments:**

- *As long as home working does not mean running a business from home which will bring added car parking issues and traffic.*

**DRAFT POLICY CF1 – PROTECTING EXISTING COMMUNITY FACILITIES  
AND SUPPORTING INVESTMENT IN NEW FACILITIES**

Changes of use of community facilities as identified on Map 12, page 76, will be resisted unless it can be demonstrated that the existing use is no longer economically viable, or equivalent or better provision of the facility to be lost is made in an equally or more accessible location.

New Development to enhance and improve existing community facilities is encouraged in accordance with specific provisions (see Draft Policy Document).

**Comments:**

- *Would need to comment on any plans.*
- *If we have more people living in the village, we will need more and better facilities.*

**DRAFT POLICY CF2 – PROTECTING EXISTING OPEN SPACES AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES  
AND SUPPORTING INVESTMENT IN NEW FACILITIES**

Existing public open spaces and recreational facilities as identified on Map 11, page 72, are protected. The loss of these facilities will be resisted unless it can be demonstrated that there is no longer any need for the facility, or equivalent or better provision of the facility to be lost is made in an equally or more accessible location.

New development to enhance and improve existing recreational and sports facilities is encouraged in accordance with specific provisions (see Draft Policy Document).

**Comments:**

- *If we have more people living in the village, we will need more and better facilities.*
- *We have so few of these spaces so we need to protect them. We could do with more, and we should investigate having more green space for community use.*

**DRAFT DOCUMENT CF3 – LOCAL GREEN SPACES**

Green spaces as identified on Map 11, page 72, Local Green Spaces will be protected from development except in very special circumstances.

**Comments:**

- *Need to see what and where.*
- *We need more green space in the villages, there is very little and what we have needs to be protected.*

#### **DRAFT DOCUMENT INF1 – SUPPORTING WALKING AND CYCLING IMPROVEMENTS IN LOCAL TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE**

Schemes which encourage walking and cycling as modes of choice, particularly for local trips will be supported.

##### **Comments:**

- *Make roads safer for walkers/cyclists!*
- *It is extremely dangerous at times walking from Blackwell to Barnt Green, and cycling not much safer.*
- *The closure of the right of way over the railway in Blackwell has led to pedestrians being forced onto a narrow winding road without lighting or pavement – this is not acceptable! We need to protect rights of way and footpaths.*
- *To get to the golf course now is very dangerous and requires walking on the road. People with pushchairs and small children who want to get to Barnt Green on foot for access to doctors, dentists, shops, hairdressers and social spaces, find it very difficult unsafe.*

#### **DRAFT POLICY INF2 – COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES**

Improvement and development of new mobile telecommunication infrastructure will be actively encouraged provided that:

1. Its design and placement seeks to minimise impact on the visual amenity, character or appearance of the surrounding area; and
2. Its design and siting does not have an unacceptable effect on the Conservation area, historical features and buildings, visually sensitive landscape or views.

Improvements to broadband infrastructure will be supported. Any new development within the neighbourhood area should be served by a superfast broadband (fibre optic) connection unless it can be demonstrated through consultation with the NGA Network providers that this would not be possible, practical or economically viable. In such circumstances, suitable ducting should be provided within the site to the property to facilitate future installation.

##### **Comments:**

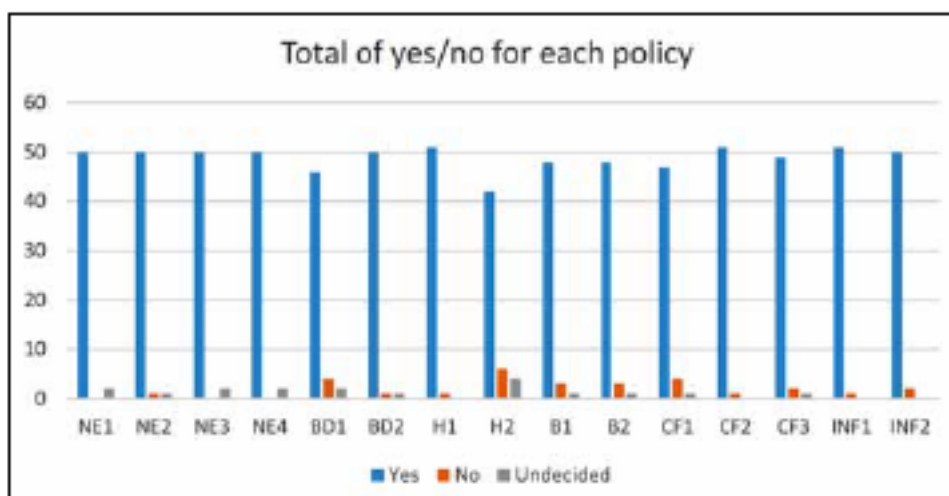
- *Mobile signals around here are terrible, we need to improve them, but not with ugly masts, I think modern technology can improve the signal without scarring the landscape.*
- *This is important, but in improving our mobile signals we don't want to have a negative effect on visual amenity.*

## OVERVIEW AND BACKGROUND TO SOME OF THE COMMENTS

The nature of the questionnaire online did not really encourage many written comments. When speaking to people at the consultation **event itself** we received many more comments which have not all been recorded here. What we have has been added to this analysis in blue. In general residents are supportive of our policies, which is also visible in the yes/no answers.

A number of residents did express concern over the potential loss of green belt with the coming Green Belt Review, there is a lot of resistance particularly in Blackwell to potential Bromsgrove SHLAA sites along Linthurst Newtown. The recent TPO on land next to 73 Linthurst Newtown had a lot of public support.

In Lickey there is some concern regarding the CALA homes proposal for a development along the Old Birmingham Road which would take away the green space between Lickey and Marlbrook.



There seems to be a lot of support for protecting our heritage in buildings, and a feeling that we need to work towards having another conservation area on Greenhill and around the farmsteads on Dale Hill. We have a road (Plymouth Road) - half of which is protected by the conservation area, the other half is not - we have seen some unfortunate planning decisions and building on the unprotected section.

Footpaths are a problem on certain roads in our parishes. A resident group was also formed in Blackwell to protest against the closure of the right of way over the railway - over 30 members, all concerned at the failure to protect the right of way and the dangerous diversion in its place. The road referred to in Blackwell which is of concern to pedestrians, Blackwell Road/Hewell Road, is actually in a neighbouring parish. The PC have provided a green footpath to Barnt Green, but this does not address all of the problems. WCC are looking at providing a footpath on Blackwell Road towards the golf course access.



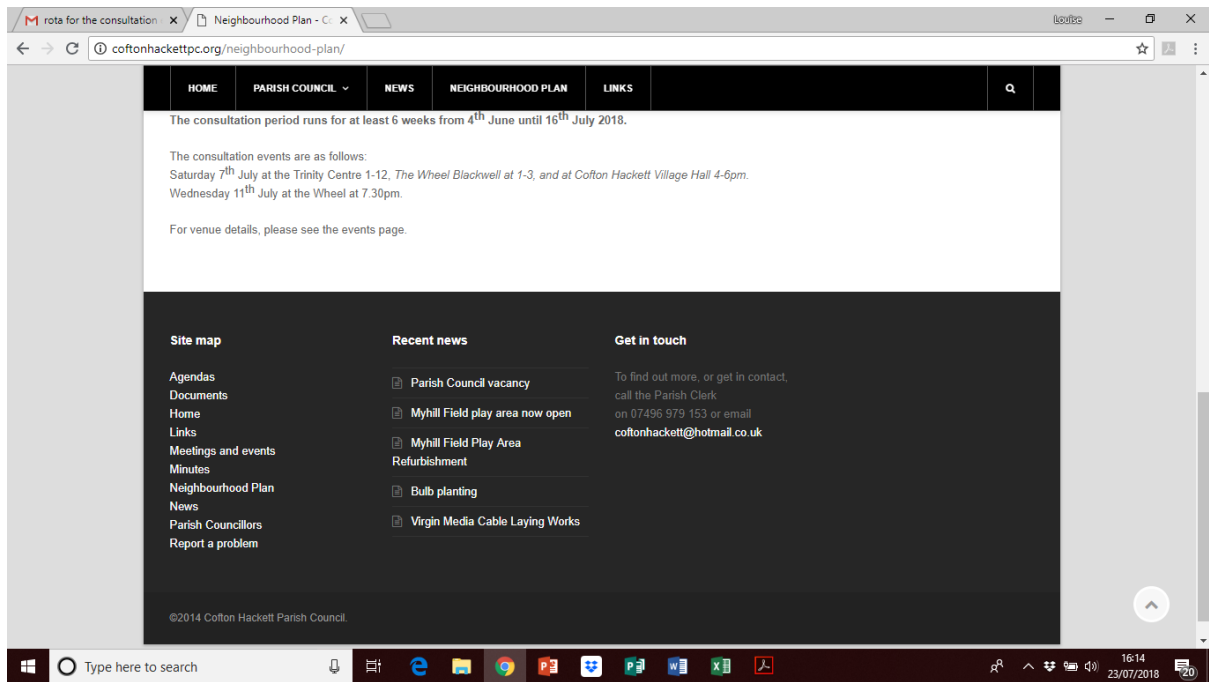
## Appendix IV Regulation 14 Consultation Screenshots

### Cofton Hackett Parish Council

The screenshot shows the Cofton Hackett Parish Council website. The header includes contact information (07496 979 153, coftonhackett@hotmail.co.uk) and a User Login link. The main navigation bar has links for HOME, PARISH COUNCIL, NEWS, NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN, and LINKS. The page title is "Neighbourhood Plan". The main content area has a heading "Neighbourhood Plan" and a paragraph inviting users to have their say on the Neighbourhood plan, with details of consultation events and a pdf questionnaire for download. It includes a link to "Development plan issues and options" and a link to "NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE". There is also a link to "Draft policy, Spring Questionnaire 2017" and a link to "First Draft Plan Preferred Options V2". On the right side, there is a "Report a problem" section with a link to "click here" and a "Recent news" section with links to "Parish Council vacancy" and "Myhill Field play area now open".

This screenshot shows the same website but with more content visible. The "Recent news" section now includes links to "Parish Council vacancy", "Myhill Field play area now open", "Myhill Field Play Area Refurbishment", "Bulb planting", and "Virgin Media Cable Laying Works". The main content area lists several links: "Draft policy, Spring Questionnaire 2017", "First Draft Plan Preferred Options V2", "Draft Plan final", "Final consultation letter", "Feedback representation form", "Neighbourhood plan quick guide", and "Neighbourhood Plan Draft Character Appraisal". Below these links, it states: "The email address for consultation comments is: [neighbourhoodplan@lickeyandblackwellpc.org](mailto:neighbourhoodplan@lickeyandblackwellpc.org)". It also mentions: "The consultation period runs for at least 6 weeks from 4<sup>th</sup> June until 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018." and "The consultation events are as follows: Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July at the Trinity Centre 1-12, The Wheel Blackwell at 1-3, and at Cofton Hackett Village Hall 4-6pm. Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July at the Wheel at 7.30pm." Finally, it says: "For venue details, please see the events page."






## Lickey & Blackwell Parish Council

The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the 'Neighbourhood Plan' page of the Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council. The browser's address bar shows the URL <https://www.lickeyandblackwellpc.org/neighbourhood-plan/>. The website has a dark navigation bar with links for 'Home', 'News', 'PC Groups', 'Neighbourhood Plan', 'Documents', and 'Councillors'. A search icon is also present. The main content area features the council's logo and a title 'Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council'. Below this, there is a section titled 'The Final Draft document and a 'Quick Guide' leaflet available on Neighbourhood Plan page'. It mentions that the 6-week consultation period is over and thanks attendees. A 'Security' section below that mentions a meeting with local police. To the right, there are dates for public consultations: 'Saturday 7 July' at Trinity Centre, The Wheel, and Cofton Hackett Village Hall, and 'Wednesday 11 July' at The Wheel. An email address for comments is provided. At the bottom, there are three red links: 'Here is a short 4min film offering information of your NP', 'Here is an extended 13min version on information of your NP', and 'Here is the full Open Forum Q&A consultation held 24 March 2018'. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the date as 17/08/2018 and the time as 13:22.

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 **Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council**

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The Final Draft document and a 'Quick Guide' leaflet available on Neighbourhood Plan page

Any queries, please contact the Executive Officer.

Our 6 week consultation period is now over. Many thanks to all who attended our events and those who provided us with comments.

**Security**

• We had a **Meeting with local police** to discuss costs of attempted burglaries and other issues on...

**Saturday 7 July**  
Trinity Centre, Lickey at 10-noon  
The Wheel, Blackwell at 1-3pm  
Cofton Hackett Village Hall at 4-6pm.

**Wednesday 11 July**  
The Wheel, Blackwell at 7-9pm..

Our email address for Neighbourhood Plan and consultation comments is:  
[neighbourhoodplan@lickeyandblackwellpc.org](mailto:neighbourhoodplan@lickeyandblackwellpc.org) – we are no longer taking comments for regulation 14 consultation as the consultation period is now over.

– **Here is a short 4min film offering information of your NP.**  
– **Here is an extended 13min version on information of your NP.**  
– **Here is the full Open Forum Q&A consultation held 24 March 2018**

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## Banner

# The Lickey and Blackwell Neighbourhood Plan

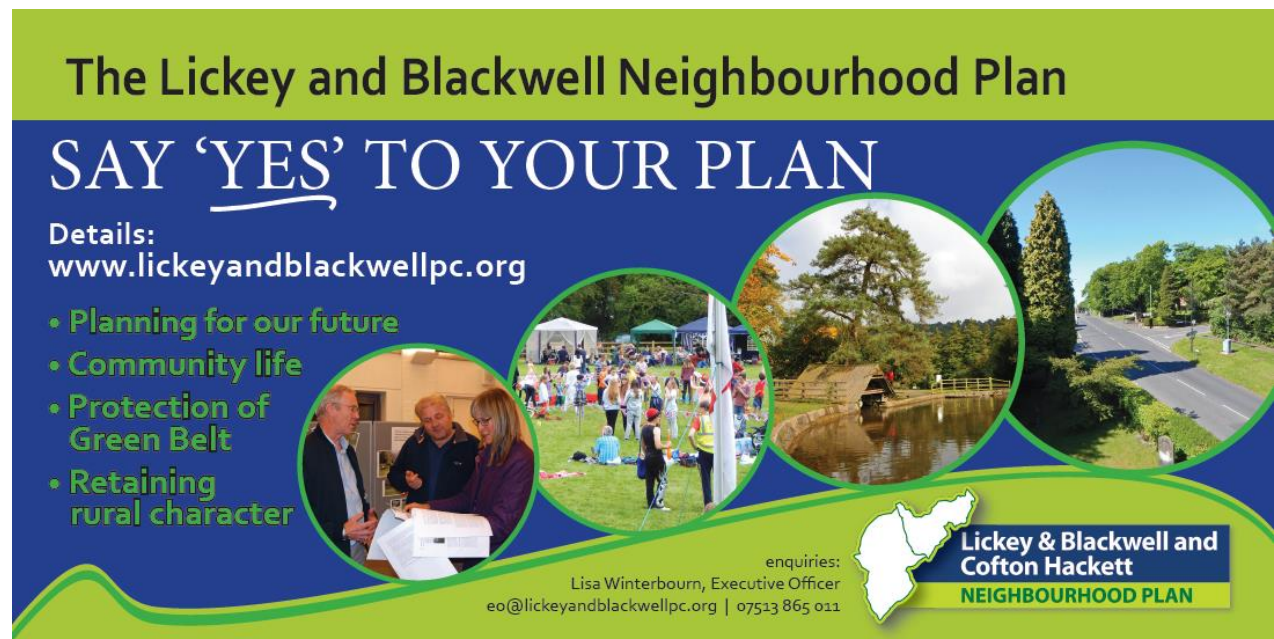
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Details:  
[www.lickeyandblackwellpc.org](http://www.lickeyandblackwellpc.org)

- Planning for our future
- Community life
- Protection of Green Belt
- Retaining rural character

enquiries:  
Lisa Winterbourn, Executive Officer  
[eo@lickeyandblackwellpc.org](mailto:eo@lickeyandblackwellpc.org) | 07513 865 011

**Lickey & Blackwell and  
Cofton Hackett  
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**



## Appendix V

### Consultation Bodies

	Regs ref	Organisation Name as per the Regs	Contact Name	Address	Email
1	a	The Coal Authority	(Planning Liaison Manager)	The Coal Authority 200 Lichfield Lane Berry Hill Mansfield Nottinghamshire NG18 4RG	<a href="mailto:planningconsultation@coal.gov.uk">planningconsultation@coal.gov.uk</a>
2	b	The Environment Agency	(Planning Specialist)	Sustainable Places – West Midlands Area Environment Agency Hafren House Welshpool Road Shelton Shrewsbury Shropshire SY3 8BB	
3	c	The Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England (English Heritage <sup>3</sup> )	Historic England	West Midlands Office The Axis 10 Holliday Street Birmingham B1 1TG	<a href="mailto:wmids@HistoricEngland.org.uk">e- wmids@HistoricEngland.org.uk</a> <a href="mailto:west.midlands@HistoricEngland.org.uk">west.midlands@HistoricEngland.org.uk</a>
4	d	Marine Management Organisation	Marine Management Organisation	Lancaster House Hampshire Court Newcastle upon Tyne NE4 7YH	<a href="mailto:consultations.mmo@marinemangement.org.uk">consultations.mmo@marinemangement.org.uk</a>
5	e	Natural England	Natural England	South Mercia Team County Hall Spetchley Road Worcester WR5 2NP	<a href="mailto:consultations@naturalengland.org.uk">consultations@naturalengland.org.uk</a>
6	f	Network Rail	Network Rail	Third Floor Temple Point Redcliffe Way Bristol BS1 6NL	<a href="mailto:townplanningwestern@networkrail.co.uk">townplanningwestern@networkrail.co.uk</a>

<sup>3</sup> Known as **Historic England** since 2015

	Regs ref	Organisation Name as per the Regs	Contact Name	Address	Email
7	g	The Highways Agency <sup>4</sup>	(Asset Manager)	Highways England The Cube 199 Wharfside Street Birmingham B1 1RN	
	h				
8		Birmingham City Council	Assistant Director - Regeneration	1 Lancaster Circus Queensway Birmingham B4 7DJ	
9		Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council	Policy and Spatial Planning Team	<i>Planning Services</i> <i>PO Box 18</i> <i>Solihull</i> <i>B91 9QS</i>	<a href="mailto:psp@solihull.gov.uk">psp@solihull.gov.uk</a>
10		Stratford on Avon District Council	Planning and Housing Policy Manager	Elizabeth House Church Street Stratford-upon-Avon Warwickshire CV37 6HX	<a href="mailto:planning.policy@stratford-dc.gov.uk">planning.policy@stratford-dc.gov.uk</a>
11		Redditch Borough Council	Development Plans	Town Hall Walter Stranz Square Redditch B98 8AH	<a href="mailto:devplans@redditchbc.gov.uk">devplans@redditchbc.gov.uk</a>
12		Wychavon District Council	Planning Policy	Civic Centre Queen Elizabeth Drive Persore Worcestershire WR10 1PT	<a href="mailto:policy.plans@wychavon.gov.uk">policy.plans@wychavon.gov.uk</a>
13		Wyre Forest District Council	Planning Policy	Wyre Forest House Finepoint Way Kidderminster DY11 7WF	<a href="mailto:planning.policy@wyreforestdc.gov.uk">planning.policy@wyreforestdc.gov.uk</a>
14		South Staffordshire District Council	The Local Plans Team	Planning and Strategic Services South Staffordshire Council Council Offices Wolverhampton Road Codsall South Staffordshire WV8 1PX	<a href="mailto:localplans@sstaffs.gov.uk">localplans@sstaffs.gov.uk</a>

<sup>4</sup> Known as **Highways England** since 2015

	Regs ref	Organisation Name as per the Regs	Contact Name	Address	Email
15		<b>Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council</b>	(Planning Manager)	4 Ednam Road Dudley DY1 1HL	<a href="mailto:localplan@dudley.gov.uk">localplan@dudley.gov.uk</a>
16		<b>Worcestershire County Council</b>		County Hall Spetchley Road Worcester WR5 2NP	
17		<b>Warwickshire County Council</b>	Strategic Planning and Development Manager, Planning and Development Group	Shire Hall Warwickshire County Council Headquarters Warwick CV34 4SX	<a href="mailto:planningstrategy@warwickshire.gov.uk">planningstrategy@warwickshire.gov.uk</a>
18		<b>Staffordshire County Council</b>	Planning, Policy and Development Control	Wedgwood Building Block A Tipping Street Stafford ST16 2DH	<a href="mailto:planning@staffordshire.gov.uk">planning@staffordshire.gov.uk</a>
19		<b>Alvechurch Parish Council</b>	(Clerk)	16 The Square Alvechurch Birmingham B48 7LA	<a href="mailto:clerk@alvechurch.gov.uk">clerk@alvechurch.gov.uk</a>
20		<b>Barnt Green Parish Council</b>	Lungley (Clerk)	Parish Office 80 Hewell Road Barnt Green B45 8NF	<a href="mailto:exec@barntgreen.org.uk">exec@barntgreen.org.uk</a>
21		<b>Belbroughton and Fairfield Parish Council</b>	(Clerk)		<a href="mailto:belbroughtonpc@live.co.uk">belbroughtonpc@live.co.uk</a>
22		<b>Bentley Pauncefoot Parish Council</b>	(Clerk)		<a href="mailto:bentleypauncefoot@gmail.com">bentleypauncefoot@gmail.com</a>
23		<b>Beoley Parish Council</b>	(Clerk)		<a href="mailto:beoleyparishcouncil@gmail.com">beoleyparishcouncil@gmail.com</a>
24		<b>Bournheath Parish Council</b>	Lungley (Clerk)		<a href="mailto:clerk@bournheath-pc.gov.uk">clerk@bournheath-pc.gov.uk</a>
25		<b>Catshill and North</b>	(Clerk)	Catshill Village Hall Golden Cross Lane	<a href="mailto:clerk@catshillandnorthmarlbrook-pc.gov.uk">clerk@catshillandnorthmarlbrook-pc.gov.uk</a>



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		Marlbrook Parish Council		Catshill Bromsgrove B61 0JZ	
26		Clent Parish Council	(Clerk)		<a href="mailto:clent.parish@btconnect.com">clent.parish@btconnect.com</a>
27		Cofton Hackett Parish Council	(Clerk)		<a href="mailto:coftonhackett@hotmail.co.uk">coftonhackett@hotmail.co.uk</a>
28		Dodford with Grafton Parish Council	(Clerk)		
29		Finstall Parish Council	(Clerk)		<a href="mailto:finstallpc@live.co.uk">finstallpc@live.co.uk</a>
30		Frankley Parish Council	(Clerk)		
31		Hagley Parish Council	(Clerk)		<a href="mailto:clerk@hagleyparishcouncil.gov.uk">clerk@hagleyparishcouncil.gov.uk</a>
32		Hunnington Parish Council	(Clerk)		
33		Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council	(Executive Officer)		<a href="mailto:eo@lickeyandblackwellpc.org">eo@lickeyandblackwellpc.org</a>
34		Romsley Parish Council	(Clerk)		
35		Stoke Parish Council	(Clerk)		<a href="mailto:clerk@stoke-pc-worcs.gov.uk">clerk@stoke-pc-worcs.gov.uk</a>
36		Tutnall and Cobley Parish Council	(Clerk)		<a href="mailto:tutnallandcobleypc@gmail.com">tutnallandcobleypc@gmail.com</a>
37		Wythall Parish Council	(Executive Officer)	Wythall Parish Council Beaudesert Road Hollywood Worcestershire B47 5DP	<a href="mailto:info@wythall-parish-council.org.uk">info@wythall-parish-council.org.uk</a>
38		New Frankley in Birmingham			<a href="mailto:clerk@newfrankleypc.swiftnet">clerk@newfrankleypc.swiftnet</a>
39		Dickens Heath Parish Council	(Clerk to the Council)		<a href="mailto:dickensheathpc@hotmail.com">dickensheathpc@hotmail.com</a>
40		Tidbury Green	(Parish Clerk)		<a href="mailto:tidburygreenpc@googlemail.com">tidburygreenpc@googlemail.com</a>

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41		Tanworth in Arden	(Clerk)	Earlswood Village Hall Shutt Lane Earlswood Solihull B94 6BZ	<a href="mailto:office@tanworth-pc.org.uk">office@tanworth-pc.org.uk</a>
42		Hanbury			<a href="mailto:hanburyclerk@btinternet.com">hanburyclerk@btinternet.com</a>
43		Dodderhill	(Clerk)		
44		Upton Warren	(Clerk)		
45		Broome	(Clerk)		
46		Chaddesley Corbett	(Clerk)		<a href="mailto:clerk@chaddesleyparishcouncil.org.uk">clerk@chaddesleyparishcouncil.org.uk</a>
47		Churchill and Blakedown	(Clerk)		<a href="mailto:churchillandblakedownclerk@gmail.com">churchillandblakedownclerk@gmail.com</a>
48		Kinver		-	<a href="mailto:kinverparish@btconnect.com">kinverparish@btconnect.com</a>
49		Warwickshire Police and West Mercia Police	(Strategic Planning Manager)	Place Partnership on behalf of West Mercia Police and Warwickshire Police 2 Kings Court, Charles Hastings Way, Worcester WR5 1JR	
50	i (i)	Electronic Communications code operators <sup>56</sup>	CTIL (on behalf of Vodafone and Telefónica)		<a href="mailto:EMF.Enquiries@ctil.co.uk">EMF.Enquiries@ctil.co.uk</a>
51	i (i)	Electronic Communications code operators	Health & Safety and Community Affairs Manager	MBNL (EE and Three)	

<sup>5</sup> Note, the Mobile Operators Association no longer exists: <http://www.mobilemastinfo.com/>

<sup>6</sup> Mobile Network Operators in the UK: EE (owned by BT), O<sub>2</sub> (owned by Telefonica), Vodafone and 3 (owned by CK Hutchison Holdings)

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52	i (i)	Electronic Communications code operators	EE		<a href="mailto:public.affairs@ee.co.uk">public.affairs@ee.co.uk</a>
53	i (i)	Electronic Communications code operators	Community Affairs Manager	Three	
54	i (ii)	Owners or Controllers of electronic communications apparatus	Regional Manager, West Midlands		
55	j (i) <sup>7</sup>	A clinical commissioning group established under section 14D of the National Health Service Act 2006	Redditch and Bromsgrove Clinical Commissioning Group	Barnsley Court Barnsley Hall Road Bromsgrove Worcestershire B61 0TX	<a href="mailto:rbccg@nhs.net">rbccg@nhs.net</a>
56	j (ia)	the National Health Service Commissioning Board <sup>8</sup>	NHS England Midlands and East	West Midlands offices Wildwood Wildwood Drive Worcester Worcestershire WR5 2LG	<a href="mailto:england.contactus@nhs.net">england.contactus@nhs.net</a>
57	j (ii)	Electricity providers	National Grid	Amec on behalf of National Grid	<a href="mailto:n.grid@amec.com">n.grid@amec.com</a>
58	j (ii)	Electricity providers	Western Power Distribution <sup>9</sup>	Blackpole Road Worcester WR4 9TB	<a href="mailto:info@westernpower.co.uk">info@westernpower.co.uk</a>
59	j (iii)	Gas providers	National Grid	Amec on behalf of National Grid	<a href="mailto:n.grid@amec.com">n.grid@amec.com</a>
60	j (iv)	Sewerage Undertakers	Strategic Planning Analyst – Growth & Resilience	Severn Trent Water Limited, Severn Trent Centre, PO Box 5309, Coventry, CV3 9FH	

<sup>7</sup> Sub-paragraph (j)(i) amended by The National Treatment Agency (Abolition) and the Health and Social Care Act 2012 (Consequential, Transitional and Saving Provisions) Order 2013

<sup>8</sup> NHS England is the operating name of the National Health Service Commissioning Board  
([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NHS\\_England](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NHS_England))

<sup>9</sup> Western Power Distribution supply electricity in the Midlands, South Wales and the South West

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61	j (v)	Water Undertakers	Growth & Water Efficiency Analyst	Severn Trent Water Limited, Severn Trent Centre, PO Box 5309, Coventry, CV3 9FH	
62	j (v)	Water Undertakers	Senior Water Delivery Analyst	South Staffs Water Green Lane Walsall WS2 7PD	
63	k	Homes and Communities Agency <sup>10</sup>	(West Mids Area Manager)	Homes England 5 St Philips Place Colmore Row Birmingham B3 2PW	<a href="mailto:mail@homesandcommunities.co.uk">mail@homesandcommunities.co.uk</a>
-	l	The Mayor of London			

<sup>10</sup> Known as **Homes England** since 2018

## Copy of Letter to Consultees



### Lickey & Blackwell Parish Council

Executive Officer:  
Mrs. Lisa Winterbourn

Chairman:  
Cllr. Nick Forknell

411 Old Birmingham road  
Lickey  
Birmingham  
B45 8ES  
Telephone 07513865011

Dear Consultee

**Notification of Formal Public Consultation on the Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan (Regulation 14 Town and Country Planning, England, Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012)**

I am writing to advise you that the Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) has been published for consultation by the two parish councils of Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett.

The Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan has been prepared by a neighbourhood planning steering group of local parish councillors and interested residents on behalf of the Parish Council, building on extensive informal public consultation and engagement since 2016, including on Issues and Options and the emerging Preferred Options Draft Plan.

**The consultation period runs for at least 6 weeks from 4<sup>th</sup> June until 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018.**

The Draft Plan and other supporting documents can be viewed and downloaded from the Neighbourhood Plan Parish Councils' websites: [www.lickeyandblackwellpc.org](http://www.lickeyandblackwellpc.org) and [www.coftonhackettpc.org](http://www.coftonhackettpc.org)

Hard copies of all Neighbourhood Plan can be viewed in the following locations at normal opening times:

- Parish Office at the Trinity Centre, 411 Old Birmingham Road, Lickey B45 8ES
- Blackwell Village Stores
- Bromsgrove Library
- Cofton Hackett Village Hall

Hard copies of the Draft Plan will be provided on request from the Executive Officer, Lisa Winterbourn at the Parish Office (Wednesday and Friday 10.30-3.30) or email [eo@lickeyandblackwellpc.org](mailto:eo@lickeyandblackwellpc.org).

A Representation Form is provided for comments, but the Parish Councils also welcome comments by email or in writing.

Please submit all comments on the Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan to:

Executive Officer, The Trinity Centre, 411 Old Birmingham Road, Lickey, B45 8ES or

email: [neighbourhoodplan@lickeyandblackwellpc.org](mailto:neighbourhoodplan@lickeyandblackwellpc.org)

Following the public consultation process on the Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan, the Plan will be amended and submitted to Bromsgrove District Council together with supporting documentation, including a Basic Conditions Statement and Consultation Statement setting out who has been consulted, how the consultation has been undertaken and how the representations received have informed the Plan.

Bromsgrove District Council will then re-consult, before the Plan is subjected to an Examination by an Independent Examiner. Once any further amendments have been made the Plan will be subjected to a local Referendum, and then Made by Bromsgrove District Council and used to help determine planning applications in the two parishes.

If you require any further information, please contact the Executive Officer at the address provided above.

Yours Sincerely

Nick Forknell

Chairman of Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Chairman of Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council



## Copy of Response Form



### Lickey & Blackwell and Cofton Hackett Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)

Public Consultation 4<sup>th</sup> June – 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018

#### Representation Form

**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN ONE FORM FOR EVERY COMMENT MADE**

**Office Use Only**  
Consultee No.  
Representation No.

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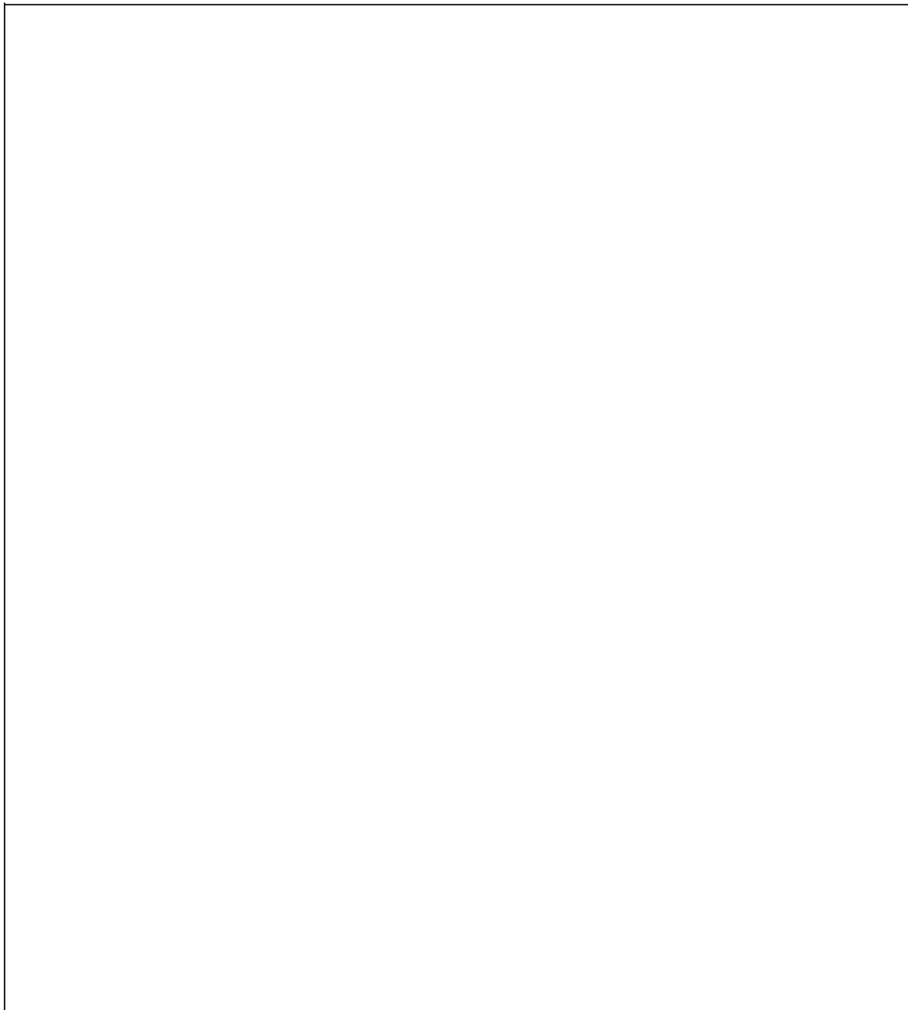
To which part of the Lickey and Blackwell and Cofton Hackett Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan does your representation refer?

Page Number	
Paragraph Number	
Policy Number	

Are you supporting, objecting, or making a comment? (Please Tick ✓)

Support	
Object	
Making a Comment	

Please use the box below and overleaf for any comments.



When we submit the plan, personal information, including your name, address and email will be shared with Bromsgrove District Council to enable them to discharge their legal duties in relation to publicising and consulting on the submission version of the plan and for organising the examination in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning (General) regulations. To comply with the requirements of recent Data Protection legislation, please confirm you have read and understood this statement and give your consent for your details to be passed on to Bromsgrove District Council"

Yes I consent \_\_\_\_

No I do not consent \_\_\_\_

**Thank you for your time and interest. Please return this form by 5pm 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018 to:**

**Executive Officer, Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council, The Trinity Centre,**

**411 Old Birmingham Road, Lickey B45 8ES.**

**Email – [neighbourhoodplan@lickeyandblackwellpc.org](mailto:neighbourhoodplan@lickeyandblackwellpc.org)**



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