

# Fishbourne Village Survey

Your voice matters!

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The Fishbourne Neighbourhood Plan Review Group has a message for everyone in Fishbourne:

**'Please HAVE YOUR SAY!'**

Fishbourne needs to review its Neighbourhood Plan (2014–2029) as a result of the changes in policies and housing targets in the Chichester District Council's revised Local Plan.

**Please complete and return the survey so that **your** voice can be heard.**

Your responses will show us:

- What you would like to see changed in the policies in our revised Neighbourhood Plan
- What you think about the new policies we are suggesting should be added to the Plan
- Any suggestions you may have for new policies you would like to see in our Revised Plan

By filling in this questionnaire you will be helping us prepare a revised Neighbourhood Plan which truly reflects the views of the residents of Fishbourne.



## HOW TO REPLY



Please complete and return your questionnaire by **TUESDAY 23 MAY 2023**.

**You can leave it in one of the collection boxes at The Fishbourne Centre, Fishbourne Parish Church, the Café at The Roman Palace, Fishbourne Primary School, or The Woolpack**

**OR** you can post it to **Village Survey, Parish Office, The Fishbourne Centre, Blackboy Lane, Fishbourne, Chichester, PO18 8BE**

**OR** you can download it from Fishbourne Parish Council website here:  
[www.fishbourne-pc.gov.uk/2023/neighbourhood-plan-survey-2023/](http://www.fishbourne-pc.gov.uk/2023/neighbourhood-plan-survey-2023/)  
and then email your reply to: [parishclerk@fishbourne-pc.gov.uk](mailto:parishclerk@fishbourne-pc.gov.uk).

Scan code to download



**INDIVIDUAL REPLIES.** If you would like to make individual replies rather than a residence response, you can download additional forms from the website or collect them from the Fishbourne Centre.



**Q. 'Does anything ever happen as a result of all the surveys we've filled in over the past years?'**

**A. YES! Your voice really does help to **MAKE THINGS HAPPEN!****

Here are some of the things we have been able to fund as a result of being able to show what developments our community would like to see happen:

- ✓ Funding, Planning, Building and development of The Fishbourne Centre
- ✓ Extension to the Pre-school
- ✓ Contributions to St Peter's Place
- ✓ Support Primary School PTA projects
- ✓ Provide, maintain and renovate Children's Play Area on the Playing Field
- ✓ Obtain starter funding for Fishbourne Companions
- ✓ Purchase and maintenance of SIDs to reduce traffic speeds
- ✓ Preservation of public access to Emperor Way
- ✓ Purchase and maintenance of lighting along Emperor Way
- ✓ New pavement in Blackboy Lane
- ✓ New Bus Shelter outside the Woolpack
- ✓ 15-year battle to prevent building on Bethwines Farm
- ✓ Reducing the allocation of new building in Fishbourne from 250 to 30 in the latest draft of the revised Local Plan.

In our Neighbourhood Plan 2014–2029, we were given an allocation of 50 new houses, which we have successfully met. In the 2018 Preferred Approach version of the Chichester Local Plan Review, a figure of 250 houses was identified for Fishbourne. We have consistently argued for a reduction in that figure to one that we could actually deliver and our allocation has now been reduced in the Proposed Submission version of the Chichester Local Plan 2021–2039 to 30. This figure is not confirmed and may change again after the examination.

Our revised Neighbourhood Plan will also need to be compatible with the strategic policies in the new Local Plan and the guidance in the latest version of the National Planning Policy Framework. This is a practical matter that we can deal with but first of all we would like you to **HAVE YOUR SAY** on the proposed changes and to suggest any others.

# SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

## 1. LAND ALLOCATION

**1.1** Bearing in mind that we have a target allocation of 30, please rank the following options 1 – 2, where 1 is your most preferred option.

	1st	2nd
A number of small scale developments to make up a total of 30 dwellings.		
A single development of 30 dwellings.		

**1.2** Which types of property are now required in the parish?

(Please tick)	Too many already	About right	Need a few more	Need a lot more
Property for rental				
Flats				
Smaller homes (2–3 bedrooms)				
Family homes (3–4 bedrooms)				
Larger homes (4+ bedrooms)				
Housing specifically for older people who wish to continue living independently				
Social housing				
Holiday homes				

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### 1.3 Eco-friendly housing

With the need for a reduction in carbon emission, the Parish Council has adopted a Climate Change Action Plan to work with organisations and residents to reduce carbon emissions.

How far do you agree with the following statements:	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree
All planning applications should provide evidence of how they have been designed to minimise their climate impact.			
Applications should include how advantage will be taken of solar energy or other energy-saving devices.			
Site plans should include an indication of the charging points for electric vehicles.			

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## 2. DESIGN

In further support of our concern that new buildings should be attractive places that people are pleased to live in and proud to call home, we propose adding two extra requirements in the Design Section.

Please show how far you support each one:	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree
We are developing the concept of 'good design' in Fishbourne since this is a key aspect of sustainable development, creates better places in which to live and work and helps make development acceptable to communities.			
In order to encourage a creative approach, we will not attempt to impose any one style or taste.			

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### 3. THE ENVIRONMENT

We intend adding a new policy on Climate Change. This policy is not intended as a solution to the global challenge of Climate Change but as a mitigation plan to encourage groups and individuals to reduce the emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases.

Please show how far you agree with the following statements:	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree
The Parish Council should encourage and support all groups and individuals who are attempting to reduce their carbon footprint.			
For all building applications we should set the highest possible standards for energy efficiency, on-site use of renewable energy, and water efficiency that are achievable without impacting on the commercial viability of development.			
We should explore schemes to decarbonise existing homes through energy efficiency and on-site renewable energy generation, including grant-funded improvements.			

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### 4. TRAFFIC

- 4.1** Projects are the way in which many of the objectives are met but they do not form part of the Neighbourhood Plan. We will therefore produce a separate programme for these and it would be helpful at this stage to know the extent of your concerns.

	Great concern	Neither concern nor disconcern	No concern
Speed of traffic			
Noise of traffic			
Volume of traffic			
Increasing size and weight of vehicles			
Use of local roads and lanes to avoid Fishbourne Roundabout			

## 4.2 Long-term solutions:

	Strongly agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree
We need to complete an evidence-based Traffic Plan for Fishbourne to ensure safety of all forms of traffic in the village and a reduction in the volume of traffic using the A259.			
<b>If Fishbourne became eligible for 20 mph limits, would you like to see the new limit in:</b>	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>
A259			
Blackboy Lane			
Salthill Road			
Clay Lane (Salthill Road – Blackboy Lane)			
Clay Lane (Salthill Road – Hannah Place)			
Appledram Lane South			
Old Park Lane, Mill Close and Mill Lane			
Other? (Please specify)			

Please note that a discussion of this will also be the main item at the Annual Parish Meeting on Friday 26 May at the Fishbourne Centre starting at 6 p.m.

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## 5. GREEN SPACES

The designation of land as Local Green Space through Neighbourhood Plans enables communities to protect green spaces which are of particular importance to them, because, for example, of their beauty, historic significance, recreational value including as a playing field, tranquillity or richness of its wildlife.

	Strongly agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree
In our present Neighbourhood Plan we have listed Fishbourne Playing Field, Fishbourne Meadows, the green spaces at the entrance to Roman Way and those at the entrance to Creek End. Should we transfer these to FNP2?			

Do you have any further suggestions for Green Spaces? \_\_\_\_\_

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## 6. SENSE OF COMMUNITY, INVOLVEMENT IN DECISION MAKING, and COMMUNICATION

Although community infrastructure issues are no longer considered sufficiently planning-related to be included in Neighbourhood Plans, a sense of community underpins all sections in our Neighbourhood Plan as it seeks to conserve and improve the quality of life of Fishbourne residents, now and in future. We are, therefore, publishing our social and community projects, as a separate supplement to FNP2.

### 6.1 Strategies to develop awareness of a sense of community and the involvement of a higher proportion of the community in the decision-making process.

- In developing a sense of community, this project will pay particular attention to the isolated and the vulnerable including continued support for Fishbourne Companions, for the establishment of a Men's Shed, for a Warm Hub at the Fishbourne Centre and the healthy opportunities for all ages at the Fishbourne Playing Field.
- Younger members of the community will benefit from support for the extension of the pre-school, a contribution to the Running Track around the Primary School Grounds; developments in the Play Area equipment on the Playing Field;
- We will develop more task groups involving members of the community.

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### 6.2 COMMUNICATIONS WITHIN THE VILLAGE

How useful do you find:	Very useful	Useful	Not very helpful	Never use
Village Voice				
Keeping-in-Touch (KIT)				
Parish Council website				
Parish Council Facebook				
Parish Council Twitter				
Parish Council Noticeboards				

Comments? \_\_\_\_\_  
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**7. Are there any other aspects you think should be considered in the revision of our Neighbourhood Plan?**

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## 8. A little bit about you (optional)

We would very much appreciate it if you would complete the following demographic questions. This information will help us to demonstrate that we have collated the views of a broad cross-section of people living in the Parish. It will not be used for any other purpose and, in accordance with the GDPR requirements, will be carefully destroyed as soon as the process is completed.

What is your post code?

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House number?

10

### To which age group do you belong?

Under 20	20–29	30–39	40–49	50–59	60–69	70+

*Thank you for taking the time to complete and return this questionnaire.*