

Neighbourhood Plan

Neighbourhood Plans are a government initiative, designed to provide local communities with the opportunity to plan for their future development needs.

The Neighbourhood Plan (NP) is an initiative driven by the village residents rather than specifically by the Parish Council.

The Charney Bassett neighbourhood planning group is pleased to have received funding towards the project from the Community Development Foundation.

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Updates

Links from the following inform on the development of the Charney Bassett Neighbourhood Plan

Reverse chronological ordered list of the NP development :-

- **Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire** [Final Report Appendix](#)
- **Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire** [Report October 2014](#)
- **Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire** [Initial Response](#)
- **Neighbourhood Plan** [Open day 29th March 2014](#)
- **Neighbourhood Plan** [Meeting \(Saturday 29th March 2014\)](#)
- **Community Development Foundation** [Grant received](#)
- **Publicity Banner** erected on Village Green (end of January 2014)
- **Initial Research** questionnaire delivered to all Village households
- **FAQ's published** [Wednesday 22nd January 2014](#)
- **Village Hall Meeting** [Saturday 14th December 2013](#)
- **First Stage of the Plan** [Saturday 2nd November 2013](#)
- **Area Designation** [Friday 25th October 2013](#)

Minutes of Steering Group Meetings

Here follows in reverse chronological order minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group Meetings as a permanent record of their efforts.

Following the decision at the [March 2015 Parish Council Meeting](#) the development of a Neighbourhood Plan was halted and the team engaged to proceed with a [Community-led Plan](#) and start the process of developing a Charney Bassett CLP.

- [16 March 2015](#)
- [2-9 and 16 January 2015](#)
- [22 and 23 December 2014](#)
- [19 December 2014](#)
- [7 November 2014](#)
- [26 October 2014](#)
- [3 October 2014](#)
- [22 Aug 2014](#)
- [1 August 2014](#)
- [4 July 2014](#)
- [9 May 2014](#)
- [25 April 2014](#)
- [28 March 2014](#)
- [28 February 2014](#)
- [21 February 2014](#)
- [7 February 2014](#)
- [17 January 2014](#)

Frequently asked Questions

CHARNEY BASSETT COMMUNITY LED NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q1. What is a Neighbourhood Plan (N.P.)?

A1. A N.P. is a new form of planning policy document which will relate to the use of land or to spatial matters (i.e. aspects related to how a place works) in very local areas. In our case it is the Charney Bassett Parish. The N.P., once adopted will form part of the overall Local Development Plan for the local authority and will be used to consider all planning applications in the Parish area as well as providing a basis for local initiatives.

Q2. Why are we doing one?

A2. To provide a legally based vision of how the residents want the Parish to develop in housing, infrastructure and services. This will protect the Parish from unwanted and inappropriate development and provide the right to consultation on any future plans the Vale of the White Horse District Council may have.

Q3. How long is all this going to take?

A3. We hope to complete the process during the first quarter of 2015 (it's a long drawn out process!). However next year's general election may well bring the completion date forward to December 2014 or back to Summer 2015.

Q4. Haven't we already done one?

A4. Charney Bassett developed a basic community plan but this has no legal standing. The Neighbourhood Plan will build on those foundations and provide a Document that will be accepted by the Vale District Council as the basis of the future for Charney Bassett.

Q5. Why all these questionnaires, meetings, etc

A5. Fundamental to the Neighbourhood Plan approach is consultation and consensus. The staged process required needs consultation on a number of levels including the overall objectives, specific development requirements and local amenities. Everyone's input is important.

Q6. In the recent questionnaire completed on the 29th September 2014, "How many completed responses were received?"

A6. ORCC have received 80, from a 120 houses. This is really good news and will demonstrate that our final report represents the majority of the village.

Q7 Can anyone become involved in the process and would we need any special qualifications or skills?

A7. Most definitely, anyone can get involved. In fact we're looking for further help from people from the Parish. And no, you don't need any special skills. We're a small steering group of four so

if you would like to help us guide Charney Bassett through this important process then please contact:

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