

In 2019 the Parish Council commenced the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan for Beyton. The Government encourages parish councils to produce their own neighbourhood plans enabling local people to have a say in how their neighbourhood grows and develops.

Pre-Submission Consultation on Draft Neighbourhood Plan

We have now reached the Pre-Submission Consultation Stage. The consultation runs for eight weeks until Friday 23 April. The draft Neighbourhood Plan document can be downloaded below.

We would welcome your comments. These can be submitted online or by completing the form and returning it as instructed on the form. Comments must be received by midnight on Friday 23 April.

Under normal circumstances we would have held a drop-in event so that the authors were available to answer your questions. We can't do that now but the Neighbourhood Plan team is hosting a Zoom online drop-in event on Thursday, 11 March, 2021. Feel free to log in anytime from 6pm-8pm and we'll (hopefully) answer your questions. Join us at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86008969187>

Following the completion of the consultation, we will review comments received, make any necessary amendments to the Plan and then submit it to Mid Suffolk District Council in order that it can proceed to examination and a village referendum towards the end of the year.

Previous Stages

The Neighbourhood Plan preparation process includes a number of stages that have to be completed before the Plan is adopted. These are:

1 – Designation of Neighbourhood Area

The Neighbourhood Plan Area, covering the whole of the parish, was originally designated by Mid Suffolk District Council in February 2018. This is the area that the Neighbourhood Plan covers.

2 – Information Gathering

In January 2017 we held a village drop-in event to explain the neighbourhood plan process and gather comments and feedback from residents.

A residents' survey was conducted in October 2017 and a summary of the results can be viewed [here](#).

A further drop-in event was held in April 2018 seek views on the sites that had been put forward to the District Council for potential housing development. The display boards of that event can be viewed by following the links on the web site.

We've also prepared a number of background "evidence" documents to support the policies in the Plan.

3 – Pre-Submission Consultation on Draft Plan

This is the stage we've now reached

Future Stages

- 3 – Submission of amended Plan to Mid Suffolk District Council
- 4 – Further Consultation by Mid Suffolk District Council
- 5 – Independent Examination of Plan
- 6 – Village Referendum
- 7 – Making (adoption) of Plan by Mid Suffolk District Council