

Honeybourne Neighbourhood Development Plan

Extract: Vision and Objectives (Adopted Version, April 2020)

5. Vision and Objectives

- 5.1. Based on the results of resident and business questionnaires the group identified the main areas the community wanted the Plan to focus on and created an overarching vision for how the parish would be by 2030 (the end of the Plan period).
- 5.2. The group sought clarification of the level of community support for the vision and objectives through a survey conducted at an open weekend. The community were invited to comment on the vision, objectives, select a preferred housing site option and show their support for the Local Green Spaces identified. 87 percent of those that attended the event were in support of the vision.

Our Vision

Honeybourne's rural setting and natural environment should be maintained and where possible enhanced with improved access for the community's enjoyment and appreciation of these assets.

New development will be sensitively integrated into the existing settlement and contribute positively to its immediate surroundings without detriment to the existing facilities, services and infrastructure in the parish.

Honeybourne will be a safe and welcoming place for everyone with excellent connections to village facilities and further afield, whether by foot, bicycle, rail, bus and road, making it an accessible and sustainable place to live, work and visit.

- 5.3. To help achieve this vision we have established a number of objectives; these objectives link back to the issues identified in the questionnaire and have provided a framework for the policies to be developed.
- 5.4. Once again public opinion was sought regarding the level of support for each of the objectives of the Plan. All were supported with between 81 and 95 percent of respondents' agreeing with the objectives. As a result only one amendment was made to include bridleways in objective 3.

Objectives

1. To protect and enhance the built environment through well designed buildings which reflect local architecture and building traditions whilst being tailored to the needs and context of their location within the Honeybourne parish.
2. To conserve and enhance heritage assets and improve features which contribute to the local character and distinctiveness of the area.
3. To protect and enhance the local natural environment for the benefit of future generations including green and open spaces, wildlife corridors and public footpaths and bridleways.
4. To maintain and enhance connectivity throughout the parish and further afield on foot, bicycle, train and bus to reduce the reliance on the motorcar and reduce congestion.
5. To encourage and enhance a strong sense of community by maintaining, supporting and improving existing community and social facilities for a range of age groups.

Source: Honeybourne Neighbourhood Development Plan, Adopted Version, April 2020 (Section 5, pages 16-17).