



Old Basing & Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review 2024-2042

**Consultation Statement
July 2026**

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1. Executive Summary

1.1 This Consultation Statement has been prepared by ET Planning to fulfil the legal obligations of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2021. Section 15(2) of Part 5 of the Regulations sets out that a Consultation Statement should contain:

- a) Details of the persons and bodies who were consulted about the proposed Neighbourhood Development Plan;
- b) Explain how they were consulted;
- c) Summarises the main issues and concerns raised by the persons consulted;
- d) Describes how these issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant, addressed in the proposed Neighbourhood Development Plan.

1.2 The Consultation Statement serves as a record of the efforts made to engage with the community and gather their input, as well as a validation of the community's involvement in the Neighbourhood Plan Review process. It provides detail on the aims of the consultation process, as well as detailing the engagement undertaken and provides a detailed summary of the Regulation 14 (Pre-Submission) Consultation and the outcomes of these.

1.3 The Consultation Statement provides transparency on how consultation has informed the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan Review and demonstrates that community views have been actively sought, recorded and considered throughout the plan-making process.

1.4 The focus of this Consultation Statement is the Regulation 14 pre-submission consultation, which took place between **Monday 26 January 2026 and Thursday 12 March 2026**. This statement

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should be read alongside the draft Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review (2024–2042) and its supporting evidence base.

1.5 This Consultation Statement should be read in conjunction with that which was for the Made Neighbourhood Plan. This Consultation Statement covers the period of the Modification to the Neighbourhood Plan and details engagement from 2023 to the present day.

2. Introduction

What is the Consultation Statement?

2.1 The Consultation Statement for the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review provides an overview of the process undertaken to engage with the local community and gather their opinions and ideas. The objective of the consultation statement is to outline the steps taken to consult with residents, businesses, and other stakeholders in order to ensure that the Neighbourhood Plan Review is inclusive and representative of the community's needs and aspirations.

2.2 The Statement describes the methods and approaches employed to gather feedback, such as public meetings, workshops, surveys, and online platforms. It highlights the importance of reaching a wide audience and making the consultation process accessible to all members of the community.

2.3 The Consultation Statement also presents a summary of the key findings and themes that emerged from the consultation process. It highlights the main concerns, priorities, and suggestions put forward by residents and stakeholders in relation to various aspects of the Neighbourhood Plan Review, such as housing, infrastructure, environment, and community facilities.

2.4 The Statement concludes by emphasising the significance of community engagement in the Neighbourhood Plan Review process and how the feedback received has been incorporated into the drafting and updating of the Plan. It affirms the commitment of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and Parish Council to ensuring

that the Neighbourhood Plan Review accurately reflects the desires and aspirations of the community.

2.5 Overall, the consultation statement serves as a record of the efforts made to engage with the community and gather their input, as well as a validation of the community's involvement in the Neighbourhood Plan Review process.

3. Aim of consulting on the Neighbourhood Plan process

3.1 The Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review engagement process had several main aims:

- **Keep people informed and involved:** Make sure residents, businesses, and other stakeholders knew about the plan and had the chance to share their views.
- **Consult at key stages:** Ask for feedback at important points in the process, such as when draft policies were being developed or proposals reviewed, so people could help shape the plan.
- **Use different ways to reach people:** Offer a range of ways to take part, including parish council meetings, surveys, online platforms, and drop-in sessions, so as many people as possible could get involved.
- **Make information easy to access:** Provide clear, straightforward information about the plan and its progress, shared in different formats and through various channels.
- **Share feedback quickly:** Review and respond to comments from consultation events promptly, so people could see how their input was used and the process remained open and transparent.

3.2 By following these aims, the engagement process ensured that local views were central to shaping the Neighbourhood Plan.

4. Background and history of the process

Timeline and events in the Neighbourhood Plan Review process

4.1 In January 2023, the Parish Council met with Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council to discuss the neighbourhood plan review process. This meeting provided initial advice on the scope of the review, the relationship with the development plan, and the requirements for evidence gathering, policy drafting and consultation. It also ensured that the review process would be aligned with national planning policy and the emerging Local Plan.

4.2 Early community engagement commenced in 2023 through a range of publicity and awareness raising exercises. The Parish Council produced newsletters, flyers, posters and consultation leaflets explaining the purpose of the Neighbourhood Plan Review and inviting residents, businesses and community organisations to provide comments on local planning issues and priorities. Consultation material highlighted issues including traffic and road safety, uncontrolled development, protection of the Loddon Valley, housing and design, green spaces and environmental quality. Consultation information was distributed through the Parish magazine, local notices, the Parish Council website and community events.

4.3 Community engagement also included attendance at local events, including a Neighbourhood Plan consultation stall at the Old Basing Carnival in 2023. Display boards, maps and information material were used to promote awareness of the review and provide opportunities for residents to discuss local planning issues directly with members of the Parish Council and Steering Group.

4.4 Targeted consultation was undertaken with local clubs, businesses and community organisations. Letters and information packs were

circulated inviting comments on issues affecting the Parish and seeking views on future priorities for the Neighbourhood Plan Review. Responses highlighted concerns relating to traffic congestion, pedestrian safety, pressure on community facilities, availability of meeting space, education and childcare capacity, parking issues and protection of the local environment and village character.

4.5 Correspondence and engagement with local groups also helped shape draft objectives relating to traffic, transport, pedestrian safety and sustainable movement throughout the Parish.

4.6 To inform the review of the Neighbourhood Plan, a household survey and questionnaire consultation was undertaken between December 2023 and January 2024. Questionnaires were distributed to every household and business address within the Parish and were made available online and in paper format to maximise accessibility and participation.

4.7 A total of 525 questionnaires were received and processed, representing the views of approximately 1,089 individuals. This level of engagement provided a robust and proportionate evidence base for identifying key issues and community priorities.

4.8 The results of the survey demonstrated a very high level of consensus across all proposed objectives, with support levels generally ranging between approximately 93 per cent and 98 per cent. This indicates a strong and consistent level of agreement within the community.

4.9A number of clear themes emerged from the survey. There was particularly strong support for the protection of the landscape, countryside setting and important views within the parish, with approximately 96 to 97 per cent of respondents supporting these objectives. Similarly, around 97 per cent of respondents supported the protection and enhancement of Local Green Spaces, reflecting the importance of open spaces for recreation, biodiversity and local identity.

4.10 The protection of the historic environment was also identified as a key priority, with approximately 97 per cent of respondents supporting objectives relating to the conservation of heritage assets and the historic character of the area.

4.11 Ensuring high quality design in new development was one of the strongest areas of support, with approximately 98 per cent of respondents agreeing that development should respond positively to local character. This highlights the importance placed by residents on maintaining the distinctiveness of Old Basing and Lychpit.

4.12 Environmental sustainability was another key theme. Approximately 97 per cent of respondents supported improving environmental quality, while around 94 per cent supported measures to address climate change and promote sustainable development.

4.13 Housing related objectives also received consistently high levels of support. Approximately 95 per cent of respondents supported prioritising the redevelopment of previously developed

land, while around 93 per cent supported ensuring that infrastructure is delivered alongside development.

4.14 Transport and movement issues were also clearly identified, with approximately 97 per cent of respondents supporting improvements to walking and cycling routes and connectivity, and around 96 per cent supporting measures to address traffic congestion and improve road safety. Support for the designation of Local Green Spaces was also high, at approximately 95 per cent.

4.15 Overall, the survey results provided a clear and consistent evidence base, demonstrating strong community support for protecting the environment and local character, ensuring high quality design, supporting sustainable development, and improving infrastructure and connectivity. The questionnaire also generated extensive free-text comments raising concerns regarding traffic congestion, healthcare and school capacity, infrastructure pressures, protection of the Loddon Valley and maintaining village identity and character. These findings directly informed the preparation of the evidence base and the drafting of neighbourhood plan policies.

4.16 Following this initial stage, ET Planning were appointed in July 2023 to support the neighbourhood plan review. Their role included advising on the evidence base, drafting policies, supporting consultation and engagement, and ensuring that the plan meets the requirements of national and local planning policy.

4.17 A public consultation on the emerging direction of the plan was undertaken in September and October 2023 over a six week period. This provided an opportunity for residents and stakeholders to

comment on early ideas and priorities. Engagement included online consultation material and a drop in session held in October 2023, allowing direct discussion with members of the Steering Group and consultants. Feedback from this stage helped to refine the scope and direction of the plan.

4.18 In early 2024, the Local Gap Report was commissioned to support the development of the Local Gap policy. This work assessed areas of land between settlements to identify gaps that are important in maintaining settlement identity and preventing coalescence. The final report was received in August 2024 and forms a key part of the evidence base.

4.19 In May 2024, a meeting was held between the Steering Group, ET Planning and Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council to discuss emerging draft policies and the developing evidence base. Feedback from the Borough Council provided further guidance and helped to ensure that the plan was being prepared in accordance with policy requirements.

4.20 Additional evidence base work was undertaken to support the plan. This included a detailed assessment of Local Green Spaces, where sites were evaluated against national policy criteria to determine their suitability for designation. A Design Code was also prepared by AECOM, via funding available at the time, providing guidance on layout, scale, appearance, materials and the integration of development within the local context. This document forms an important part of the evidence base and supports the delivery of high quality design.

- 4.21 Further specialist input was commissioned to strengthen the evidence base. Landscape consultants provided analysis of key views and local character, while heritage consultants assessed the significance of heritage assets and their settings. This work was funded through a Locality grant.
- 4.22 ET Planning then prepared draft policies informed by the survey results, technical evidence and ongoing stakeholder engagement. These policies were subject to review and refinement to ensure they were justified, evidence based and reflective of community priorities.
- 4.23 With regard to Local Green Spaces and as part of developing the evidence base/ the Local Green Space assessment, land registry searches were undertaken to identify the ownership of proposed Local Green Space sites. All landowners were contacted prior to the Pre-Submission Regulation 14 consultation in October 2025 via post and were given a two week period to provide informal feedback. Only one private landowner responded. The remaining landowners were public bodies, namely Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council and Hampshire County Council.
- 4.24 In December 2025, the Parish Council asked Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council to undertake an informal review of the neighbourhood plan and provided detailed feedback on the draft policies and supporting documents. This feedback was carefully considered and incorporated where appropriate, strengthening the plan prior to the Regulation 14 consultation stage.
- 4.25 During the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan, Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council commenced a second Regulation 18 Local Plan consultation. The Parish Council was advised to delay the

Regulation 14 Neighbourhood Plan consultation to avoid overlap with this process and to reduce consultation fatigue.

- 4.26 The Regulation 14 consultation for the Neighbourhood Plan was therefore undertaken in January 2026, following the close of the BDBC Local Plan Regulation 18 consultation period. This ensured that residents and stakeholders were able to engage fully with the neighbourhood plan consultation.

5. Pre – Submission (Regulation 14) Consultation and summary of key responses

5.1 In accordance with Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Planning General Regulations 2012, the Parish Council undertook a pre-submission consultation on the draft Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review 2024 to 2042. Regulation 14 requires a minimum six week consultation period prior to submission of the plan to the Local Planning Authority.

5.2 The consultation was undertaken over a six week period from Monday 26 January 2026 to Thursday 12 March 2026. The Parish Council is satisfied that the consultation has been carried out in accordance with the relevant regulations and national guidance, ensuring that engagement was proportionate, inclusive and effective.

5.3 A dedicated consultation website was prepared and made available throughout the consultation period at www.oldbasingnp.co.uk. This website provided access to the draft Neighbourhood Plan Review, supporting evidence base documents, information on the plan making process, details of consultation events, and an online response form. The online response form enabled respondents to submit representations directly. The website was also mobile friendly where documents could be viewed or downloaded directly on multiple devices.

5.4 To ensure that the consultation was accessible to all members of the community, representations could be made in a number of ways. These included submission via email, through the online response form, by post, and by completing paper questionnaires available at

document deposit locations. All representations received during the consultation period were recorded and considered by the Parish Council.

5.5 At the start of the consultation period, notification emails were sent to relevant consultation bodies. These included statutory consultees, relevant organisations and authorities, owners of land proposed as Local Green Space, and local businesses. Each consultee was provided with details of the consultation, how to access the documents and how to submit representations. A full list of consultees is provided in Appendix A.

5.6 Printed copies of the draft Neighbourhood Plan Review and supporting documents were made available for public inspection throughout the consultation period to ensure accessibility for those without internet access. These were provided at a number of locations across the parish, including the Royal British Legion in Old Basing, St Mary's Church, Chineham Library and the Parish Office. These venues were selected to provide a range of access points, including daytime, evening and weekend availability. In addition, a full set of documents and paper response forms were available at Lychpit Community Hall during consultation events.

5.7 Two public drop in consultation sessions were held at Lychpit Community Hall on Monday 9 February 2026 between 11:30 and 15:30 and Saturday 28 February 2026 between 10:00 and 15:00. These sessions were informal and allowed residents to attend at any time during the advertised hours. The purpose of the events was to provide information on the Neighbourhood Plan Review, present draft policies and supporting evidence, and allow residents to ask questions and discuss the proposals with members of the Steering

Group and consultants. Display boards, copies of the Plan and evidence base, and paper response forms were available at both events. The venue was selected due to its accessible location, availability of parking and suitability for community engagement. Feedback from these sessions highlighted strong support for maintaining the separate identity of Old Basing and Lychpit, the importance of the Local Gap, the need for high quality design, and the protection of Local Green Spaces.

5.8 The consultation was widely publicised to ensure awareness across the parish and to maximise opportunities for engagement. A range of communication methods were used to reach different parts of the community.

5.9 Public notices were displayed at a number of key locations across the parish to ensure visibility in well used and accessible areas. These locations also provided access to printed copies of the Neighbourhood Plan and paper response forms.

5.10 In addition, the consultation was publicised through the Parish magazine Basinga, which is distributed to households across the parish. This helped ensure that residents who may not regularly access online information were made aware of the consultation.

5.11 The consultation was also promoted via the Parish Council website and through the Parish Council's Facebook and other social media channels, providing regular updates and reminders throughout the consultation period.

5.12 As outlined, during the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan, Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council undertook a Regulation 18

consultation on the emerging Local Plan. The Parish Council was advised to delay the Regulation 14 consultation to avoid overlap and reduce consultation fatigue. The Regulation 14 consultation was therefore undertaken following the close of the Local Plan consultation period in January 2026. It is acknowledged that some residents may have experienced confusion between the two consultations, particularly where respondents believed they had already responded as part of the Local Plan process and didn't realise or understand that the Neighbourhood Plan was a separate policy document.

- 5.13 All representations received have been carefully considered and have informed amendments to the Neighbourhood Plan Review. The Parish Council is satisfied that the consultation has been undertaken in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning General Regulations 2012 and that it has provided meaningful opportunities for engagement prior to submission to the Local Planning Authority.

Summary of representations

- 5.14 A total of 18 responses were received during the consultation period. These responses contained multiple detailed points, which have been broken down into 87 individual comments within the representation table.
- 5.15 For the purposes of analysis, the representations have been considered both in terms of total comments and by individual consultee, to provide a proportionate and balanced understanding of the feedback received. On this basis, the majority of consultees (approximately 79%) were either supportive of the Neighbourhood Plan or provided neutral, constructive comments.

- 5.16 Six consultees (32%) expressed support, including residents who welcomed the Plan's approach to managing development, protecting landscape character, and securing high quality design. Nine consultees (47%), including statutory bodies such as Thames Water, Historic England and Natural England, provided technical comments aimed at strengthening the clarity, evidence base and implementation of policies.
- 5.17 A small number of consultees raised more substantive issues. Two consultees (11%), namely Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council and Hampshire County Council, raised concerns primarily relating to the need to ensure general conformity with the Development Plan, alignment with emerging Local Plan policy, and clarity in the application of certain policies, particularly Policy OB&L3 (Local Gap). Two consultees (11%), both representing developer interests, raised objections to specific policies, notably those relating to the Local Gap, Design Code and Housing Mix.
- 5.18 Overall, the consultation demonstrates broad support for the Plan's vision and objectives. The issues raised are largely focused on policy clarity, strengthening of the evidence base, and ensuring alignment with strategic policy, rather than fundamental objections to the Plan's overall approach.
- 5.19 A number of key themes emerged from the consultation. There was strong support for the overall approach of the Plan, particularly in relation to protecting local character, managing development within the settlement boundary, achieving high quality design, and protecting landscape, biodiversity and Local Green Spaces.

5.20 Comments from the Local Planning Authority and other consultees highlighted the importance of ensuring that the Plan demonstrates general conformity with the Local Plan and emerging policy, and that policies are clearly worded and capable of consistent application. The Local Gap policy was a particular focus, with support for the principle of maintaining settlement separation alongside requests for greater clarity, stronger justification and alignment with strategic policy.

5.21 There was broad support for the inclusion of a design code, although some respondents noted the need for flexibility and clear alignment with national and local policy. Infrastructure and delivery were also key issues, with consultees emphasising the importance of ensuring that development is supported by adequate infrastructure and that delivery timescales are recognised.

5.22 Statutory consultees, including Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council, Hampshire County Council, Thames Water, Historic England and others, provided detailed technical comments. These were generally supportive but identified areas where further clarification, strengthening of evidence or policy refinement was required.

5.23 Developer representations focused on policy justification, flexibility and conformity with national policy, while local residents generally expressed strong support for the Plan, particularly in relation to protecting the character of the parish, managing development, and addressing infrastructure and traffic concerns.

5.24 The following table contains a concise summary of each representation. The full and detailed representations have been

taken into account in each instance. The table also provides the Parish Council's agreed response to each comment.

5.25 It should be noted that within the schedule of representations, comments have been separated by topic for clarity. As a result, a single consultee may appear multiple times within the table where they have provided comments on different policies or issues. However, each consultee has made only one overall representation.

Table of Representations Received

Ref	Consultee Name	Organisation	Support / Object / Comment	Summary of Comments	ET Planning suggested proposed Change (with Policy Reference)
BDBC1	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	The Plan is well written and reflects significant work by the Neighbourhood Plan group.	No change required. Note support in Consultation Statement.
BDBC2	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Plan sets a positive strategy for development and broadly aligns with national policy.	No change required. Reinforce in Basic Conditions Statement
BDBC3	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Neighbourhood Plans must support strategic policies and not promote less development than Local Plan.	Add explicit wording confirming support for strategic allocations (supporting text – general conformity section).
BDBC4	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Plan does not allocate housing sites and therefore will not benefit from NPPF para 14 protections.	Add explanatory text acknowledging this limitation (supporting text / Basic Conditions Statement).
BDBC5	Basingstoke and Deane	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Need to ensure sites for years 1–5 are deliverable if relying on NPPF protections.	Clarify reliance on Local Plan allocations

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	Borough Council				for housing delivery (supporting text).
BDBC6	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	OB&L2 policy requires clear spatial mapping of the River Loddon, its floodplain, habitats, SINCs, and green/blue infrastructure to support decision-making and meet NPPF requirements. Secondly, the policy wording lacks clarity, particularly around how applicants demonstrate compliance, how “unacceptable harm” is assessed (including cumulative impacts), and what supporting information is needed. Finally, the policy should better reflect local distinctiveness by referencing local nature reserves and recognising protected and priority species within the Loddon corridor.	Improved clarify on the policy for decision maker, provided cumulative impacts and local distinctiveness and avoided duplication. Additional paragraph added for OB&L2 explaining what information would be expected to be submitted
BDBC6	Basingstoke and Deane	Local Planning Authority	Concern	The Local Gap policy (OB&L3) is supported in principle,	Policy OB&L3 has been amended to improve

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	Borough Council			however there is insufficient clarity regarding how the policy will operate in practice, including how decision-makers should apply it and how it interacts with other Development Plan policies.	clarity and usability: • Replace broad wording with clear, measurable criteria • Explicitly reference that proposals will be assessed in accordance with the Development Plan as a whole
BDBC7	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Concern	The Local Gap designation may conflict with the strategic allocation at East of Basingstoke (SS3.9 / emerging SPS5.4), potentially undermining delivery of housing required by the Local Plan. This raises a risk of failing the general conformity basic condition.	• Add explicit supporting text to Policy OB&L3: "This policy will not prejudice the delivery of strategic site allocations identified in the Development Plan." • Add supporting text confirming the Local Gap is intended to refine, not override, strategic policy. • Reference added to

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					emerging allocations in justification.
BDBC8	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Concern	The policy does not clearly explain its relationship with the adopted and emerging Local Plan, including how it aligns with strategic policies such as EM1 (landscape) and EM2 (strategic gaps).	• Strengthen supporting text to explicitly state: - Policy OB&L3 is a locally specific refinement of EM1 and EM2 - It operates alongside, not instead of, strategic policies • Add cross-references to EM1, EM2, and emerging ENV1/ENV2.
BDBC9	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	While the Local Gap area is likely supportable, the policy does not sufficiently identify or describe the specific landscape qualities that justify designation.	Expand supporting text to include: - Key characteristics of the Loddon Valley (e.g. floodplain, open views, settlement separation) - Reference to Valued Landscape Assessment (2023)

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					- Clear articulation of why this land is locally distinctive • Link directly to evidence base findings.
BDBC10	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	The evidence base does not demonstrate whether other areas were considered for designation, raising questions about robustness and proportionality.	• Add justification confirming: - The Local Gap boundary is based on proportionate, evidence-led assessment - It includes only land necessary to achieve separation • Brief statement explaining why other areas were not designated.
BDBC11	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Concern	The Plan does not adequately reflect the emerging Draft Local Plan (Regulation 18, Nov 2025–Jan 2026) and associated evidence base. This risks the Plan being outdated at submission and failing the	Update Section 2 (Planning Policy Context) to reference: - Draft Local Plan (Reg 18) - Emerging allocations

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				basic condition relating to strategic conformity.	(e.g. SPS5.4) • Update supporting text for OB&L3 to reflect latest position • Add caveat acknowledging evolving policy context.
BDBC12	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Concern	The Plan does not fully take account of key emerging evidence documents (e.g. Valued Landscapes Study, Strategic Gap Technical Paper), which may affect justification of policies such as the Local Gap	• Update evidence base references throughout Plan: - Explicitly cite Valued Landscapes Study (2023) - Reference Strategic Gap evidence • Strengthen justification text linking policy to evidence.
BDBC13	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Concern	Need to ensure alignment with strategic Local Plan policies (EM1, EM2) and emerging ENV1/ENV2, otherwise risk of duplication or conflict.	• Amend supporting text to clearly state: - OB&L2 and OB&L3 complement EM1/EM2 - They do not introduce additional strategic restrictions

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					• Add explicit cross-referencing within policies.
BDBC14	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	OB&L4 – Iconic Views The Council raises concerns that the policy may conflict with existing and emerging Local Plan allocations, particularly as some identified views extend across strategic housing sites (e.g. East of Basingstoke and Whitmarsh Lane), where development is likely to alter currently open views. As drafted, the policy could therefore be overly restrictive and unrealistic. There are also concerns about the justification and selection of “iconic views”, as it is unclear why these specific views have been identified over others, and whether a robust assessment underpins them. The Council suggests considering a more	Amended policy to ensure it doesn’t conflict with allocations. Increase flexibility. Provide clarify and clear criteria and proportionate evidence requirements.

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				flexible approach, such as identifying key features or sightlines that could be incorporated into future development. Finally, the policy wording lacks clarity, particularly the reference to “landscape setting,” which is not appropriate in the context of views. Overall, the policy should be refined to ensure clarity, flexibility, and alignment with the Local Plan, avoiding conflict with planned development while still protecting locally important views.	
				Policy OB&L6 – Protection of Historic Environment The Council considers that the policy and supporting text lack clarity and sufficient justification. While specific	Amended policy to include reference to designated assets Added extra info in supporting text to

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				heritage assets are referenced, their significance is not explained, and key details (such as Basing House being a Grade II Registered Park and Garden and Oliver’s Battery being a Scheduled Monument) should be clearly stated. It is also noted that designated heritage assets are already protected by national and Local Plan policy, so duplication should be avoided unless additional local value is clearly justified. The policy is also unclear in its approach to assessing harm, particularly as it does not correctly reflect the statutory tests for heritage assets, including conservation areas. In addition, non-designated heritage assets are referenced but not mapped or described, and viewpoints mentioned in the supporting text are missing	reflect importance of Basing House and Olivers Battery.

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				from the proposals map, creating inconsistencies. Overall, the policy requires refinement to ensure it is clear, evidence-based, and consistent with national policy, with improved mapping, clearer identification of assets, and a better explanation of their significance.	
BDBC14	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Suggest inclusion of clearer explanation of Basic Conditions within the document.	Add short Basic Conditions section in introduction or consultation chapter.
BDBC15	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Formatting inconsistency (fonts, numbering, structure).	Undertake full formatting review for consistency.
BDBC16	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Maps lack clarity and should be improved.	Replace with higher resolution maps throughout.

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BDBC17	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Policy criteria should be numbered or lettered for clarity.	Amend all policies to use numbered/lettered criteria (all policies).
BDBC18	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Reference to Settlement Policy Boundary unclear in Foreword.	Clarify wording to specify which SPBs are referred to.
BDBC19	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Terminology correction: "Sites of Interest for Nature Conservation" should be "Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation".	Correct terminology throughout document.
BDBC20	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Clarification needed that Plan supersedes previous NP upon adoption (not during process).	Amend wording in introduction.
BDBC21	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Minor formatting error (punctuation between paragraphs).	Correct punctuation.
BDBC22	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Inconsistent numbering style (e.g. 1–5 vs 1.1).	Standardise numbering format throughout.

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BDBC23	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Map references unclear or missing (e.g. Map 3 location)	Ensure all maps are correctly labelled and located adjacent to text.
BDBC24	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	Figures and maps should be positioned closer to references in text.	Improve document layout and figure placement.
BDBC25	Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Local Planning Authority	Comment	General need to ensure evidence base aligns with latest Local Plan evidence.	Undertake full evidence base cross-check and update references.
B1	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Comment/objection	Raises overarching concern that the Neighbourhood Plan may fail the Basic Conditions, particularly in relation to general conformity with the Development Plan and regard to national policy, with specific concerns relating to Policy OB&L1 (Settlement Boundary), OB&L3 (Local Gap), OB&L7 (Design Code), and OB&L8 (Housing Mix).	No fundamental change required. Reinforce conformity within the Basic Conditions Statement and ensure supporting text clearly references alignment with Local Plan and NPPF.

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B2	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Comment	States that several policies are not supported by sufficient or proportionate evidence, particularly Policy OB&L3 (Local Gap), Policy OB&L4 (Important/"Iconic" Views), and Policy OB&L8 (Housing Mix).	Strengthen supporting text and evidence references across relevant policies to clearly demonstrate justification.
B3	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Comment/objection	Supports the use of a settlement boundary under Policy OB&L1, but considers the policy overly restrictive and inconsistent with Local Plan Policies SS6 and SD1 and national policy, particularly in restricting development in the countryside.	Amend supporting text to clarify that development outside the boundary may be acceptable where compliant with the Local Plan and NPPF (e.g. rural exception sites).
B4	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Comment	Notes that Policy OB&L1 lacks clarity on what forms of development would be acceptable outside the Settlement Policy Boundary.	Add explanatory supporting text clarifying acceptable development in the countryside in line with strategic policy.
B5	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Objects to Policy OB&L3 (Local Gap), stating that there is no justification for designation as	Retain policy but strengthen justification, clearly

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				physical separation already exists (River Loddon, floodplain, vegetation).	explaining local function of gap beyond existing features.
B6	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Argues that Policy OB&L3 is unnecessary as there is no risk of coalescence due to existing landscape features.	Expand supporting text to explain role of policy in maintaining openness and preventing incremental erosion of separation.
B7	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	States that Policy OB&L3 includes objectives beyond settlement separation (e.g. landscape and green infrastructure), which are more appropriately addressed by other policies such as Policy OB&L2 (Biodiversity and Landscape).	Clarify in supporting text that Local Gap policy focuses on settlement separation, with cross-reference to OB&L2 for wider landscape matters.
B8	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Suggests Policy OB&L3 conflicts with emerging Local Plan evidence (Strategic Gap Study) and therefore may not meet Basic Conditions.	Add wording confirming policy will not prejudice strategic allocations and align with emerging Local Plan evidence.

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B9	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Concludes that evidence submitted (LVTN) demonstrates there is no need for a Local Gap under Policy OB&L3.	No deletion proposed. Strengthen evidence base references and justification in supporting text.
B10	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Objects to designation of additional views under Policy OB&L4, stating there is insufficient evidence to demonstrate that views are “iconic”.	Strengthen supporting text to clearly justify selection of views and their local significance.
B11	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Notes that future development (e.g. East of Basingstoke allocation) will alter the baseline, reducing the sensitivity of views identified under Policy OB&L4.	Clarify in supporting text that views are assessed based on current and evolving landscape context.
B12	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Comment	Suggests development would not harm landscape character or setting in relation to Policy OB&L4.	No policy change required. Clarify how harm will be assessed in supporting text.
B13	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Concludes that views identified under Policy OB&L4 are not justified as “iconic”.	Retain policy. Strengthen justification and evidence.

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B14	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	States that Policy OB&L7 (Design Code) is overly prescriptive and inflexible, particularly due to repeated use of “must”.	Amend wording to introduce flexibility (e.g. “should”, “where appropriate”).
B15	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Argues that Policy OB&L7 goes beyond Local Plan requirements and may conflict with national policy.	Amend supporting text to confirm alignment with Local Plan and NPPF.
B16	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Comment	Notes that Policy OB&L7 / Design Code is too detailed and not sufficiently locally distinctive, contrary to PPG guidance.	Streamline Design Code to focus on locally specific principles.
B17	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Comment	Raises concern that Policy OB&L7 lacks flexibility for site-specific constraints and viability.	Add supporting text acknowledging need for flexibility and viability considerations.
B18	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Design Code: Energy requirements within Policy OB&L7 / Design Code are overly specific and may become outdated.	Remove or generalise energy requirements to align with national standards.
B19	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Design Code: Accessibility requirements within Policy OB&L7 exceed Building	Align wording with Building Regulations (M4 categories).

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				Regulations and Local Plan requirements.	
B20	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Design Code: Drainage requirements within Policy OB&L7 address strategic matters beyond NP scope.	Remove or defer to Local Plan and national policy.
B21	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Comment	Design Code: Lack of clarity for “Open Countryside” Character Area within Design Code (Policy OB&L7).	Provide additional detail and clarity.
B22	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Policy OB&L8 (Housing Mix) is not supported by evidence and is overly focused on smaller dwellings.	Amend supporting text to reference evidence (e.g. SHMA) and ensure balanced approach
B23	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Policy OB&L8 does not adequately consider full range of housing needs.	Amend wording to reflect wider housing needs (families, elderly, etc.).
B24	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Objection	Restriction on loss of smaller dwellings in Policy OB&L8 is unrealistic and unenforceable.	Remove or soften restrictive wording.
B25	Boyer (obo Taylor Wimpey)	Developer	Comment	Notes that community aspirations linked to Policy OB&L10 (Developer Contributions) are unclear in	Clarify distinction between policy requirements and aspirations and ensure

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				terms of delivery and distinction from policy requirements.	compliance with CIL tests.
TW1	Thames Water	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Notes that infrastructure upgrades can take significant time (18 months–5 years), and this must be factored into development delivery. Relevant to Policy OB&L10 and phasing of development.	Add supporting text acknowledging infrastructure lead-in times and need for early engagement with providers.
TW2	Thames Water	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Highlights that wastewater and sewerage infrastructure is critical to sustainable development, and that failure to align development with infrastructure capacity could result in flooding and environmental harm. Relevant to Policy OB&L10 (Developer Contributions) and overall delivery of development under Policy OB&L1 (Settlement Boundary).	Strengthen supporting text to emphasise that development must be coordinated with infrastructure capacity and delivery. Reference national policy (NPPF paras 11 and 20).
TW3	Thames Water	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Emphasises need for alignment between growth and infrastructure, referencing NPPF requirements. Relevant across the Plan,	Add general statement in Plan that development will be supported where infrastructure capacity

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				particularly Policy OB&L10 (Developer Contributions) and Policy OB&L9 (Transport and infrastructure-related impacts).	is available or can be delivered in a timely manner.
TW4	Thames Water	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Notes that Neighbourhood Plans should ensure adequate wastewater and water supply infrastructure to serve development. Relevant to Policy OB&L10 and indirectly to all growth-related policies.	Add supporting text to OB&L10 confirming requirement for adequate wastewater and water supply infrastructure.
TW5	Thames Water	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Highlights need to consider off-site impacts of development on sewerage network capacity, including cumulative effects. Relevant to Policy OB&L10 and development strategy under OB&L1.	Add supporting text acknowledging infrastructure lead-in times and need for early engagement with providers.
TW6	Thames Water	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Recommends early engagement with Thames Water through pre-planning discussions to establish capacity and infrastructure requirements. Relevant	Add supporting text encouraging early engagement with infrastructure providers (including Thames Water).

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				to Policy OB&L10 and development management.	
TW7	Thames Water	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Raises importance of surface water drainage and flood risk, including risk of sewer flooding, relevant to Policy OB&L2 (Biodiversity/Environment) and potentially Policy OB&L9 (Transport and infrastructure).	Strengthen supporting text to reference flood risk from sewer systems and importance of drainage strategy.
TW8	Thames Water	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Supports use of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) to reduce pressure on sewer networks and provide environmental benefits. Relevant to Policy OB&L2 and design principles under Policy OB&L7 (Design Code).	Add supporting text encouraging SuDS in line with national policy and best practice.
TW9	Thames Water	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Notes that water and wastewater infrastructure may need to be located in flood risk areas, and policy should allow for this. Relevant to Policy OB&L2 and flood risk considerations.	Add clarification in supporting text that infrastructure may be required in flood risk areas where appropriate.
TW10	Thames Water	Statutory Consultee	Comment	States that Plan does not include sufficient detail on	No policy change required. Add

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				scale/phasing of development to assess infrastructure impacts. Relevant to overall Plan strategy and Policy OB&L1.	clarification that strategic growth is defined by the Local Plan.
TW11	Thames Water	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Notes that developers have a right to connect to sewer network, but upgrades may be required and should be secured through planning conditions. Relevant to Policy OB&L10.	Add supporting text referencing need for planning conditions where infrastructure upgrades are required.
TW12	Thames Water	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Recommends that infrastructure information is submitted with planning applications to demonstrate capacity. Relevant to Policy OB&L10 and development management process.	Add supporting text encouraging submission of infrastructure capacity information with applications.
SW13	Southern Water	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Southern Water confirmed that they do not supply water or wastewater services to the Parish of Old Basing and Lychpit and therefore have no comments to make on the Neighbourhood Plan.	No change required.
HE14	Historic England	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Historic England welcomes the preparation of the	Amend supporting text to strengthen reference

Ref	Consultee Name	Organisation	Support / Object / Comment	Summary of Comments	ET Planning suggested proposed Change (with Policy Reference)
				Neighbourhood Plan and is pleased to see the historic environment is referenced throughout. They raise no objection but provide detailed guidance on strengthening the Plan's approach to heritage. This includes ensuring alignment with national policy (particularly NPPF paragraph 190), developing a positive strategy for the conservation and enjoyment of heritage assets (both designated and non-designated), and providing a robust evidence base. They recommend consideration of locally listed assets, heritage at risk, local character assessments, and the inclusion of policies to protect local distinctiveness. They also highlight opportunities relating to Local Green Spaces, Assets of Community Value, use of CIL funding for heritage, and good design principles (NPPF paragraphs 124–127).	to the historic environment strategy in line with NPPF paragraph 190. Expand supporting text (and where necessary policies) to clarify consideration of non-designated heritage assets and local character, having regard to NPPF paragraphs 190 and 197. Include reference to the potential identification of locally important heritage assets and local character assessments within the evidence base.

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				Engagement with the local authority conservation officer and archaeological advisors is also advised.	
WBC15	Waverley Borough Council	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Waverley Borough Council confirmed that they have no comments to make on the Neighbourhood Plan Review	No change required.
NH16	National Highways	Statutory Consultee	Comment	National Highways confirmed their role as highway authority for the Strategic Road Network (including the M3 motorway) and noted that they would typically be concerned with proposals affecting its safe and efficient operation. However, having reviewed the Neighbourhood Plan, they raise no comments.	No change required.
NHS17	NHS Hampshire & Isle of Wight Integrated Care Board	Statutory Consultee	Comment	The ICB is supportive of the Neighbourhood Plan's overall aims but provides comments on the Health and Developer Contributions sections. They note that primary care capacity within the Parish is unevenly distributed, with some practices operating	Amend supporting text in the Health section to reflect uneven GP capacity across practices and the need to consider impacts on specific surgeries. Amend Developer

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				above capacity, and recommend this is reflected in the Plan. They also advise that whilst routine healthcare contributions may not be required, targeted developer contributions could be necessary where development impacts practices under pressure. They recommend inclusion of supporting text recognising this.	Contributions section to include reference to potential healthcare contributions where justified, in line with Regulation 122 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations 2010 (as amended) and national policy (NPPF paragraph 34).
NE18	Natural England	Statutory Consultee	Comment	Natural England confirms that they have no specific comments on the Neighbourhood Plan. However, they provide general guidance on the consideration of the natural environment, including biodiversity, protected species, landscape character, agricultural land, and potential need for Strategic Environmental Assessment. They recommend engaging relevant ecological and environmental advisors and	No change required.

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				highlight opportunities for biodiversity net gain and environmental enhancement within the Plan.	
HCC19	Hampshire County Council	Statutory Consultee and Landowner	Comment	The County Council (as Highway Authority, Public Health Authority and landowner) broadly supports the Plan but recommends strengthening transport policies. They advise alignment with Hampshire Local Transport Plan 4 (LTP4), including use of a vision-led approach to transport planning and prioritisation of sustainable modes. They also recommend updating references from previous LTP versions.	Amend transport-related policies and supporting text to align with LTP4 and incorporate a vision-led transport approach, having regard to NPPF paragraphs 104–113. Update references to current transport strategies.
HCC20	Hampshire County Council	Statutory Consultee and Landowner	Comment	The Highway Authority recommends strengthening active travel policies, including explicit reference to Public Rights of Way (PRoW), LCWIP routes, and links to the Eastern Basingstoke sustainable transport corridor.	Amend Policy OB&L9 and supporting text to include reference to PRoW, LCWIP routes and strategic corridors, and to prioritise walking, cycling and

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				They also advise that development should prioritise walking, cycling and “wheeling” and include mitigation measures focused on active travel.	wheeling, having regard to NPPF paragraphs 104, 106 and 110.
HCC21	Hampshire County Council	Statutory Consultee and Landowner	Comment	Public Health comments support improved access to green space and active travel, highlighting links to physical and mental health benefits. They recommend inclusion of wording to ensure walkable access to green spaces and use of health evidence such as the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA).	Amend relevant policies (including Local Green Space and supporting text) to strengthen reference to health outcomes, access to green space, and use of JSNA evidence, having regard to NPPF paragraph 96.
HCC22	Hampshire County Council	Statutory Consultee and Landowner	Comment	Design-related recommendations include embedding Building for a Healthy Life principles, Healthy Streets approach, and inclusive design standards (including DfT Inclusive Mobility). They also suggest incorporating Lifetime Homes	Amend design policies and supporting text to reference Building for a Healthy Life, Healthy Streets and inclusive design standards, having regard to NPPF paragraphs 124–131.

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				and TCPA Healthy Homes principles.	
HCC23	Hampshire County Council	Statutory Consultee and Landowner	Comment	Policy OB&L1 (Settlement Boundary): Recommends strengthening wording to explicitly link growth to health, active travel, access to services, and environmental considerations	Amend supporting text to reference health, active travel and access to services as part of sustainable development, having regard to NPPF paragraphs 8 and 92.
HCC24	Hampshire County Council	Statutory Consultee and Landowner	Concern	The County Council raises a specific concern regarding Policy OB&L3 (Local Gap), noting a potential conflict with an emerging Local Plan allocation at Land at Whitmarsh Lane (in which the County Council has a land interest). They highlight that this overlap may affect infrastructure delivery and soundness.	Review Policy OB&L3 (Local Gap) and associated mapping to ensure consistency with emerging Local Plan allocations and infrastructure delivery, having regard to NPPF paragraph 29.
HCC25	Hampshire County Council	Statutory Consultee and Landowner	Comment	Policy OB&L5 (Local Green Spaces): Supports policy but recommends inclusion of wording to ensure walkable access and improved inclusive	Amend policy to require development to maintain and enhance walkable access to

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				pathways, linking green space to health outcomes.	green spaces and inclusive routes, having regard to NPPF paragraphs 96 and 101.
HCC26	Hampshire County Council	Statutory Consultee and Landowner	Comment	Policy OB&L7 (Design): Recommends inclusion of Building for a Healthy Life, Lifetime Homes, and TCPA Healthy Homes principles to strengthen design quality and health outcomes.	Amend policy to reference Building for a Healthy Life and healthy design principles, having regard to NPPF paragraphs 124–131.
HCC27	Hampshire County Council	Statutory Consultee and Landowner	Comment	Policy OB&L9 (Transport and Movement): Recommends strengthening policy through explicit reference to PRoW network, mitigation measures for active travel, and links to strategic corridors (e.g. Eastern Basingstoke).	Amend policy to reference PRoW, active travel infrastructure, and strategic transport links, having regard to NPPF paragraphs 104, 106 and 110.
HCC28	Hampshire County Council	Statutory Consultee and Landowner	Comment	Additional general recommendations include use of appropriate technical guidance for highways, strengthening wording (e.g. replacing “ensure” with “prioritise”), and inclusion of	Make minor wording changes across the Plan to reflect County Council guidance and improve clarity and consistency with

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				community aspirations relating to transport strategy and CIL.	strategic policy and technical standards.
Database submissions					
R1	Catharine Robinson	Resident	Support	Strong support for the Neighbourhood Plan, including its approach to managing development within the Settlement Policy Boundary (Policy OB&L1), protecting landscape and biodiversity (Policy OB&L2), and ensuring high quality design (Policy OB&L7).	No change required.
R2	Mr Steven Holland	Resident	Support with comment	Supports the Plan overall but raises concerns regarding the clarity and interpretation of policies, particularly Policy OB&L3 (Local Gap) and Policy OB&L7 (Appearance of Development), and how these will be applied in decision-making	Amend policy wording to improve clarity: • Number criteria (all policies) • Clarify application of OB&L3 and OB&L7.
R3	Peter Kenneth Bloyce	Resident	Support with comment	Supports Plan objectives but raises concerns about the impact of development on infrastructure, landscape and character, particularly in relation to Policy OB&L1	Strengthen supporting text to clarify mitigation of development impacts and relationship with

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				(Settlement Boundary), Policy OB&L7 (Design), Policy OB&L9 (Transport) and Policy OB&L10 (Developer Contributions).	Local Plan housing growth.
R4	Anita Kirk	Resident	Comment	No substantive comment provided in relation to any specific policies.	No action required.
R5	Alison Baron	Resident	Support with comment	Supports the Plan but raises concerns about pressure on infrastructure and services, particularly in relation to Policy OB&L10 (Developer Contributions) and the need to ensure adequate provision alongside development, as well as implications for Policy OB&L9 (Transport).	Strengthen supporting text to emphasise infrastructure delivery mechanisms and mitigation.
R6	Paul Baron	Resident	Support with comment	Supports the Plan but highlights concern regarding maintenance of village character and identity, particularly in relation to Policy OB&L7 (Appearance of Development), Policy OB&L1 (Settlement Boundary), and protection of views under Policy OB&L4.	No change required. Ensure supporting text clearly explains how policies safeguard character.

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R7	George Smale	Boyer	Comment (separate submission)	Submitted a separate detailed representation addressing policy-specific matters including Policy OB&L3 (Local Gap), Policy OB&L2 (Biodiversity)and Policy OB&L7 (Design).	Review separate submission and respond to each point individually. Update supporting text if required
R8	Kate Tuck	Resident	Comment	Detailed comments provided across multiple policy areas, including landscape protection (Policy OB&L3 – Local Gap), environmental protection (Policy OB&L2) and design quality (Policy OB&L7).	Minor updates to supporting text to strengthen justification and clarity across relevant policies.
R9	Abi	Resident	Comment	Requests improvements to community facilities and amenities, linked to growth and development, particularly relevant to Policy OB&L10 (Developer Contributions)and community aspirations.	No policy change required. Reflect in Community Aspirations / CIL section and supporting text.

Summary of issues raised within the representations

5.26 The above table shows strong support for the draft Neighbourhood Plan. Most respondents to the survey expressed general support for the neighbourhood plan and its aspirations. They recognised its potential to shape the development and growth of the community in a positive manner. Many respondents highlighted the importance of preserving the unique character of the neighbourhood, and protecting the natural environment. Of particular relevance, the inclusion of the Local Gap continued to have particularly strong support.

Summary of representations received

5.27 A total of 18 separate representations were received during the Regulation 14 consultation.

5.28 It should be noted that within the schedule of representations, comments have been separated by topic for clarity. As a result, individual consultees may appear multiple times within the table where they have provided comments on different policies or issues. However, each consultee has only made one overall representation.

5.29 The breakdown of respondents is as follows:

- Local Planning Authority: Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council
- Developer representation: Boyer on behalf of Taylor Wimpey
- 7 other respondents, including: Statutory consultees (for example Hampshire County Council, Thames Water, Historic England and others)
- 8 Local residents

- 5.30 In terms of the responses received, the majority of representations were comments, providing constructive feedback on policy wording, clarity and supporting evidence.
- 5.31 A number of objections were raised, primarily by developer interests in relation to specific policies such as the Local Gap, Design Code and Housing Mix.
- 5.32 Supportive responses were received, particularly from local residents, endorsing the overall approach of the Neighbourhood Plan.
- 5.33 Overall, the consultation responses demonstrate a broad level of support for the Neighbourhood Plan, alongside detailed technical and policy specific comments which have been used to refine and strengthen the Plan prior to submission.
- 5.34 Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council (BDBC) undertook consultation on its Regulation 18 Local Plan, which concluded in January. During this period, the timing of the Neighbourhood Plan consultation was carefully considered to avoid overlap and consultation fatigue among stakeholders and the local community.
- 5.35 BDBC subsequently advised that the Regulation 14 consultation for the Neighbourhood Plan should commence following the close of their Regulation 18 consultation. In accordance with this request, the Regulation 14 Neighbourhood Plan consultation was scheduled to begin after January, ensuring a clear distinction between the two consultation processes and allowing stakeholders adequate opportunity to engage with each in turn.

5.36 Notwithstanding this approach, it is considered that some residents may have experienced confusion regarding the relationship between the two consultations, particularly in understanding the distinction between the Local Plan and the Neighbourhood Plan. As a result, it is possible that some individuals did not engage with or respond to the Regulation 14 Neighbourhood Plan consultation due to a lack of clarity about its purpose and how it differed from, or related to, the Regulation 18 Local Plan consultation. This was particularly pertinent at the Neighbourhood Plan workshop held whereby residents noted they had already responded to the consultation meaning the Regulation 18 Local Plan consultation and not the Neighbourhood Plan one.

Changes made to the Neighbourhood Plan as a result of the Regulation 14 Consultation

5.37 This section summarise the changes made to the Neighbourhood Plan for each of the Policies and other sections, these are in relation to comments made via the Regulation 14 Consultation. The main changes are summarised below:

- Improved clarity and usability of the Plan
 - o Policies refined to ensure they are clear, concise and capable of consistent decision-making
 - o Duplication removed and supporting text streamlined
 - o Updates made to reflect the latest NPPF (2024) and PPG
- Stronger and more robust policy wording
 - o Policies amended to be positively worded and policy-compliant
 - o Clear distinction made between policy and supporting text
 - o Greater emphasis on proportionate evidence requirements
- Enhanced environmental policies
 - o Policy OB&L 2 strengthened to reflect Biodiversity Net Gain, the mitigation hierarchy, and protection of the River Loddon

- Supporting text expanded to reflect current environmental legislation and guidance
- Clarification of the Local Gap (Policy OB&L 3)
 - Clearer justification and purpose of the designation
 - Confirmation that the policy aligns with strategic policy and does not prevent allocated development
 - Amending of Local Gap boundary and updated evidence base to reflect the Reg 18 Local Plan
- Design and character strengthened
 - Policy OB&L 7 updated to clearly reference the Design Code
 - Greater clarity on expectations for design quality and local distinctiveness
- Housing mix updated
 - Policy OB&L 8 refined to reflect latest evidence of need and allow flexibility
 - Clarity on the provision of smaller homes
- Transport policy improved
 - Policy OB&L 9 aligned more clearly with the sustainable transport hierarchy
 - Clarified requirements for transport evidence and mitigation
- Developer contributions clarified
 - Policy OB&L 10 updated to reflect current CIL Regulations and national policy
 - Clearer explanation of how infrastructure contributions will be secured
- Local Green Spaces strengthened
 - Updated justification in line with NPPF criteria
 - Supported by updated evidence base
- Supporting text and evidence updated
 - Reflects consultation feedback and improves clarity
 - Stronger links to the evidence base

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- Community aspirations clarified
 - Clear distinction between policy and non-policy content
 - Updated to reflect locally identified priorities

6. Conclusion

6.1 The Consultation Statement demonstrates that the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Neighbourhood Planning General Regulations 2012.

6.2 The Parish Council has undertaken a comprehensive and proportionate programme of engagement throughout the preparation of the Plan. This has included early engagement through surveys and informal consultation, ongoing discussions with key stakeholders and the Local Planning Authority, and a formal Regulation 14 consultation carried out over a six week period.

6.3 A range of consultation methods were used to ensure that engagement was inclusive and accessible to all sections of the community. These included online consultation, provision of hard copy documents at accessible locations, direct engagement through public drop in events, and targeted consultation with statutory bodies, landowners and local businesses.

6.4 The Regulation 14 consultation generated a range of responses from statutory consultees, developers and local residents. These responses demonstrated a broad level of support for the overall approach of the Neighbourhood Plan, alongside detailed comments on specific policies and supporting evidence.

6.5 All representations received have been carefully reviewed and considered by the Parish Council, and amendments have been made to the Neighbourhood Plan where appropriate. This has ensured that the Plan is robust, evidence based and capable of being implemented effectively.

Compliance with statutory requirements

6.6 The Parish Council confirms that the requirements of Regulation 14 have been met, as follows:

- The draft Neighbourhood Plan was publicised in a manner likely to bring it to the attention of people who live, work or carry on business in the neighbourhood area
- Consultation bodies, as defined by the Regulations, were notified and invited to make representations
- The draft Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents were made available for inspection for a period exceeding the required six weeks
- Clear information was provided on how and by when representations could be made
- Multiple methods of engagement were provided to ensure accessibility, including online and paper based responses and in person consultation events

6.7 The Parish Council is satisfied that the consultation process has been proportionate, inclusive and consistent with national guidance, and that it has provided meaningful opportunities for engagement.

6.8 The Neighbourhood Plan Review is therefore considered to meet the relevant statutory requirements and is ready to be submitted to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council for Regulation 16 consultation.

6.9 Overall, the consultation process has ensured that the Neighbourhood Plan is community led, evidence based and reflective of the views and priorities of Old Basing and Lychpit.

Appendix A: Statutory Bodies

During the Regulation 14 Consultation the following bodies were consulted at the start of the consultation, these were contact via email or post. Households and businesses were notified via

The statutory consultees were compiled in accordance with Schedule 1 The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

Body required by the regulations	Method	Response
Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council	Email	Y
Hampshire County Council	Email	Y
West Berkshire Council	Email	-
Wokingham Borough Council	Email	-
Hart District Council	Email	-
East Hampshire District Council	Email	-
Winchester Council	Email	-
Test Valley District Council	Email	-
Policy and Crime Commissioner	Email	-
The Coal Authority	Email	-
The Environment Agency	Email	-
English Heritage (now Historic England)	Email	Y
The Marine Management Organisation	Email	-
Network Rail	Email	-
The Highways Agency (National Highways)	Email	Y

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Body required by the regulations	Method	Response
Mono Consultants	Email	-
Mobile UK	Email	-
North Hampshire Clinical Commissioning Group	Email	Y
NHS West Hampshire Clinical Commissioning Group	Email	-
Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	Email	-
Public Health Hampshire	Email	-
Brambllys Grange for the Primary Care Network (GP Partner and North Hampshire CCG Primary Care Lead)	Email	-
Scottish and Southern Energy	Email	-
Southern Gas Networks	Email	-
National Gas Transmission	Email	-
National Grid	Email	-
South East Water	Email	-
Southern Water	Email	Y
Thames Water	Email	Y
The Homes and Communities Agency (Homes England)	Email	-
Local Councils bordering the Neighbourhood Plan Area		
Chineham Parish Council	Email	-
Sherfield on Loddon Parish Council	Email	-
Newnham Parish Council	Email	-
Mapledurwell and Up Nately Parish Council	Email	-

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Body required by the regulations	Method	Response
Tunworth Parish Meeting	Email	-
Winslade Parish Meeting	Email	-
Rotherwick Parish Council	Email	-
Businesses/local organisations		
Alistair Jones Photography	Email	-
The Topiary	Email	-
The Street Bakeshop Email -	Email	-
Conkers	Email	-
Steve Jones Photography	Email	-
Sandra Sergeant Photography	Email	-
Old Basing RBL Social Club I	Email	-
Bartons Mill -	Email	-
The Hatch -	Email	-
Trilby's (Old Basing) -	Email	-
Odiham Cottage Hospital Charity Shop	Email	-
Mikes Garden Services -	Email	-
Oliver's	Email	-
PJH Window Cleaning I	Email	-
Agency4kidz -	Email	-
The Barn Animal Practice	Email	-
The Spine Team -	Email	-
Prenderville Building & Maintenance	Email	-
Rosemary Bookkeeping	Email	-
E&C Caravan Storage	Email	-
Martins Volkswagen -	Email	-

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Careguard -	Email	-
The Crown -	Email	-
JG Electric	Email	-
Lane Monnington Welton	Email	-
Ashby Trade Sign Supplies	Email	-
Hub Parking Technology -	Email	-
SureGrip Tyres -	Email	-
ADC Plumbing and Heating Services	Email	-
Bolton Arms -	Email	-
Day Lewis Pharmacy -	Email	-
Infinite Harmony I -	Email	-
Loddon Valley Garden Toys	Email	-
Flowers By Daiva	Email	-
All Aspects Letting Agency	Email	-
Gearstorm	Email	-
Old Basing Village Nursery School	Email	-
Eclipse Foot Clinic	Email	-

Local Councils bordering Neighbourhood Area

Consultee	Method	Response
Rushmoor Borough Council	Email	-
Surrey Heath Borough Council	Email	-
West Berkshire Council	Email	-

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Hart District Council	Email	-
East Hampshire	Email	-
Waverley	Email	Y
Bracknell Forest	Email	-
Reading	Email	-
All Parish Councils mailing list (provided by BDBC – contains email addresses for all Parish Councils in BDBC)	Email	-

Additional bodies

Consultee	Method	Response
The Mayor of London	Email	-
The Civil Aviation Authority	Email	-
Office of Rail Regulation	Email	-
Transport for London	Email	-
NHS South of England	Email	-
NHS England	Email	Y
Highway Authority	Email	-
Policing Body	Email	-
Ministry of Defence	Email	-
Natural England	Email	Y

Appendix B: Publicity for the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Modification – Publicity

1. Social media – Old Basing and Lychpit Parish Council



Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council

26 January · 🌐

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Neighbourhood Plan Consultation – Have Your Say

Old Basing and Lychpit Parish Council is undertaking a Regulation 14 (Pre-Submission) consultation on the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review.

Consultation period: Monday 26 January – Thursday 12 March 2026 (midnight)

The Review updates the Neighbourhood Plan made in July 2018, does not introduce new strategic housing allocations, and updates policies on design, Local Green Spaces, heritage, movement routes and developer contributions.

View the draft Plan and comment: [See less](#)

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**Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council**
3 February · 🌐

Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council is working to UPDATE THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN.
PLEASE take part in this consultation and let us know how you feel about the future development, housing, facilities and environment of Old Basing & Lychpit.
Visit www.ldbasing.gov.uk/neighbourhoodplan, attend one of our drop in sessions at Lychpit Community Hall or scan the QR code to head straight to the Consultation website to see the documents and find the Consultation form.
THANK YOU 😊
@followers See less



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**Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council**
16 February · 🌐

The Regulation 14 (pre-submission) Consultation on the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review is open.

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**Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council**
5 March · 🌐

FINAL WEEK TO COMMENT ON REGULATION 14 (PRE-SUBMISSION) NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN CONSULTATION.

Consultation closes at midnight on Thursday 12 March 2026.

Submit comments here: <https://www.ldbasingnp.co.uk> [See less](#)



PUBLIC NOTICE

Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review Regulation 14 (Pre-Submission) Consultation

Old Basing and Lychpit Parish Council is inviting comments on the draft Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review. The Review updates the Neighbourhood Plan made in July 2016 to ensure it remains up to date, effective and consistent with current national and local planning policy, while reflecting local community priorities.

Consultation Period

Start: Monday 26 January 2026
Closing date: Thursday 12 March 2026 (midnight)

What is changing?

- No new strategic housing allocations; overall spatial strategy retained
- Clearer structure and renumbering of policies
- New Local Gap policy to protect the Loddon Valley and prevent coalescence
- Updated design policies supported by a new Design Code
- Refined policies on Local Green Spaces, views, heritage, housing mix, movement routes and developer contributions



View the documents
Scan the QR code or visit www.ldbasingnp.co.uk

Hard copies can be viewed during normal opening hours at:

- Royal British Legion, Old Basing
- Old Basing and Lychpit Village Hall
- St Mary's Church, Old Basing
- Parish Council Offices, Old Basing
- Chineham Library

How to comment

Deadline: Thursday 12 March 2026 (midnight)
Online: www.ldbasingnp.co.uk
Email: obnpconsultation@etplanning.co.uk
Post: c/o ET Planning, 200 Dukes Ride, Crowthorne, RG45 6DG

Next steps

All comments will be considered by the Parish Council before the Plan is finalised and submitted to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council for independent examination.

Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review 2024- 2042 – Consultation Statement July 2026

 **Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council**
12 March · 🌐

Final day to comment on the Regulation 14 (Pre-Submission) Neighbourhood Plan consultation.
Consultation closes at midnight TONIGHT.
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Neighbourhood Plan Update "Drop In" Consultation

Lychpit Community Hall

AboutDiscussion

Edit as Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council

Details

4 people responded

Event by Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council

Lychpit Community Hall

Duration: 5 hr

Public - Anyone on or off Facebook

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shape local infrastructure, and influence planning decisions.

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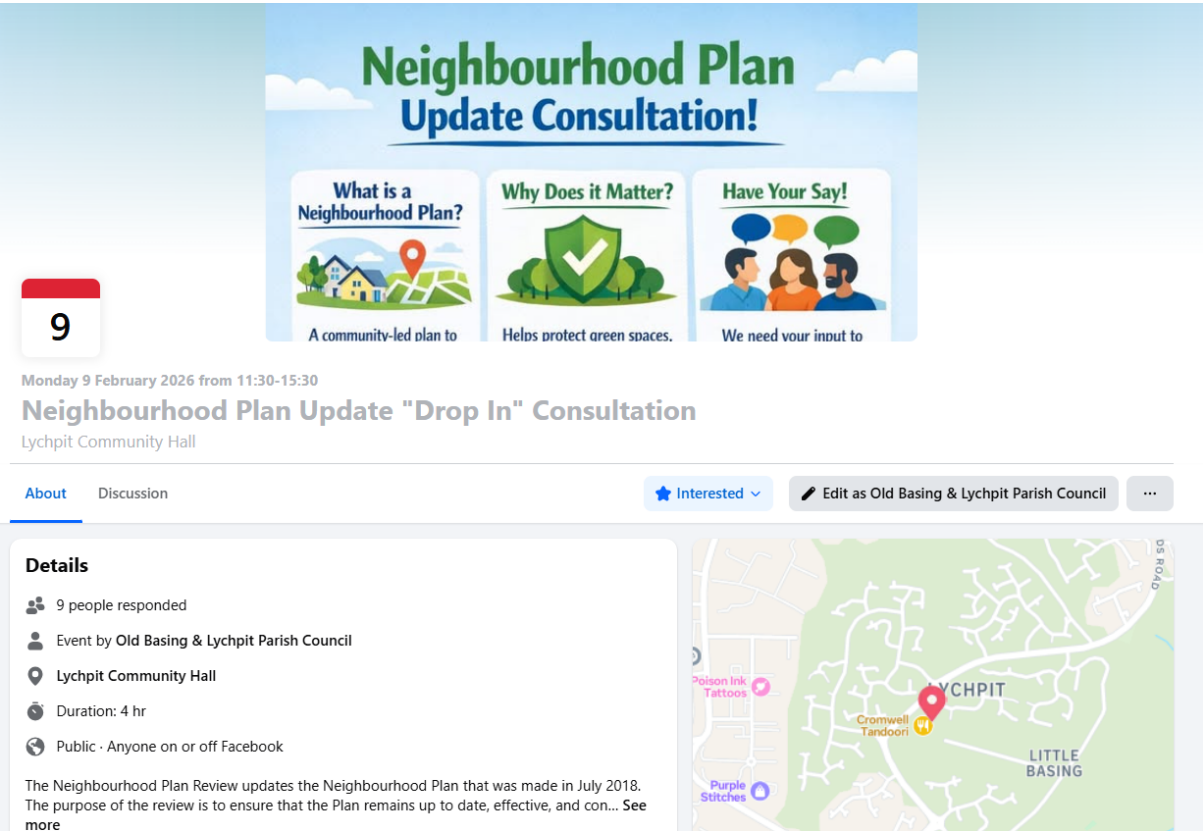
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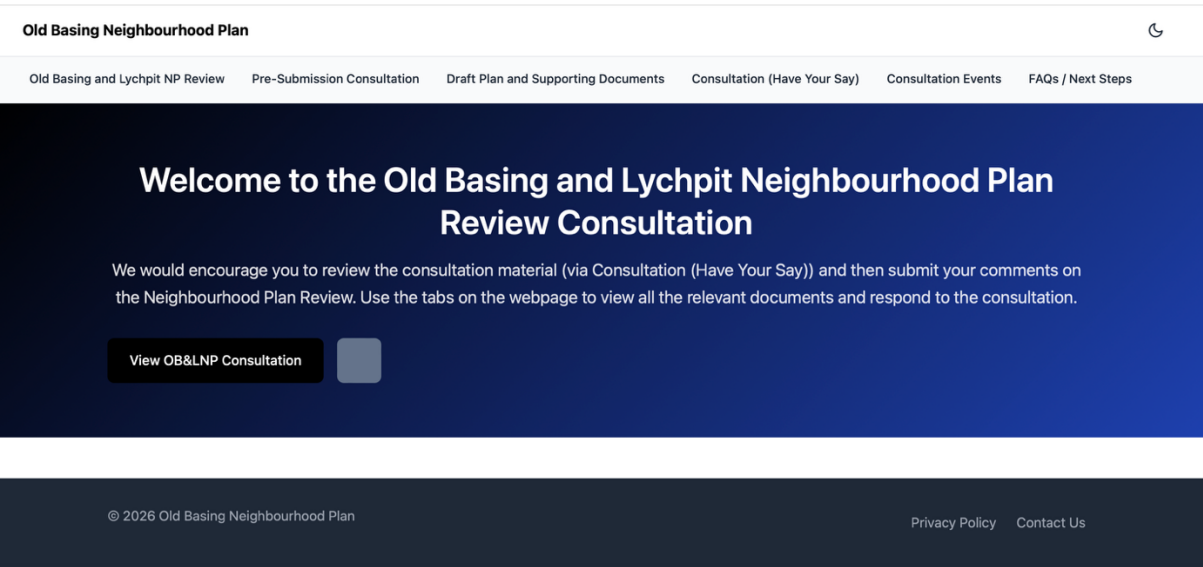
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2. Old Basing and Lychpit Parish Council website

Extracts from the purpose built consultation website (www.oldbasingnp.co.uk)



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3. Local Gap Assessment

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Drop-in sessions to learn more about the Neighbourhood Plan, view information on display, and share your views.

February drop-ins

Attend anytime

Lychpit Community Hall

Two drop-in sessions to learn more about the neighbourhood plan will be held. You are welcome to attend at any time during the sessions — no booking required.

Drop-in Session 1

Date:

Monday 9 February

Time:

11:30 – 15:30

Venue:

Lychpit Community Hall

Drop-in Session 2

Date:

Saturday 28 February

Time:

10:00 – 15:00

Venue:

Lychpit Community Hall

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Neighbourhood Plan Review

PREVIEW

Started: 26 January 2026

Closes: 12 March 2026

Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review Regulation 14 Consultation

We are reviewing the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan and would like to hear your views. The draft Neighbourhood Plan document sets out proposed updates to the Plan and how they may affect the area, whilst the supporting evidence documents can also be viewed. We encourage you to take some time to review the information and provide your feedback through the online consultation portal, by clicking 'submit your response' at the bottom of the page.

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Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review – Pre-Submission Consultation

This page brings together all documents and information for the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review pre-submission consultation.

Consultation period

The consultation starts on Monday 26 January 2026 and runs until Thursday 12 March 2026.

Consultation (Have Your Say)

FAQs / Next Steps

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Pre-Submission Consultation

Main overview of the consultation and how it works.

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Background to the Plan Review

Background information and context for the neighbourhood plan review.

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Key Policies

The key policies within the Old Basing Neighbourhood Plan Review.

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3. Extract of Articles from The Basinga Local Magazine which went to all households)

February 2026

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Old Basing & Lychpit updated Neighbourhood Plan

The Parish Council will be launching a six-week **public consultation on the updated Neighbourhood Plan from 26th January**, and all residents are warmly encouraged to take part. Full details and links to the consultation documents will be available on the Parish Council website and shared across our social media pages. A copy of the draft Plan will be available to view at the Parish Office during normal office hours (10.00am–noon), as well as at St Mary's Church, the Old Basing Royal British Legion, Chineham Library, and the Discovery Centre in Festival Place for the duration of the consultation period. For those who prefer to view the material and speak with someone directly, a further consultation event will also be held at Lychpit Hall, with timings to be confirmed later this month. Your feedback is vital in helping shape the future of Old Basing and Lychpit, and we hope as many residents as possible will take the opportunity to get involved.

How the Parish Office Supports Resident

The Parish Office plays an important role in helping residents navigate local services and stay informed about what is happening across Old Basing and Lychpit. As the first point of contact for many enquiries, the office provides guidance on a wide range of matters, including reporting damaged Parish-owned assets, raising concerns about footpaths, booking facilities, and accessing meeting agendas and minutes. Staff also support the work of Councillors by preparing reports, coordinating maintenance across Parish land, and ensuring information is shared clearly and promptly with the community.

Whilst the Parish Council is responsible for many local facilities, some issues—such as potholes, streetlights, fly-tipping, and highway concerns—fall under the remit of Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council or Hampshire County Council. Residents are encouraged to report these directly through www.fixmystreet.co.uk which sends the information straight to the appropriate authority and allows you to track progress. Using this system helps ensure problems are logged quickly and dealt with by the correct team.

Whether you need help understanding who is responsible for an issue, wish to raise a query for a committee, or simply want to learn more about how the Parish Council operates, the Parish Office is here to assist. Residents are always welcome to get in touch during office hours or via email, and the team will do their best to help or direct you to the right place.

Meetings for February 2026

The **Full Parish Council meeting** will be held on **Tuesday, 3rd February at 7.30pm**. There will also be meetings of the **Finance & Resources Committee** on **Tuesday, 17th February** and the **Planning & Development Committee** on **Tuesday, 24th February (both at 7.30pm)**. Please let us know if you wish to attend but you are unable to manage the stairs to the meeting room, to enable us to make alternative arrangements.

Dates for all future meetings are detailed on our website and noticeboards.

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January 2026

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS



As we welcome a new year, the Parish Council would like to extend warm wishes to all residents of Old Basing and Lychpit. January offers a natural moment to pause, reflect on our community, and look ahead to the year to come. We are grateful to residents, volunteers,

and partner organisations whose ongoing contributions and support help make our Parish a vibrant and thriving place to live.

Old Basing & Lychpit updated Neighbourhood Plan

The Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council will be running a public consultation in January 2026 on the update of its Neighbourhood Plan. This plan is a long-term framework that guides how land in the Parish is used and developed, helping to shape housing, infrastructure, community facilities, and the local environment. It gives residents a real opportunity to influence decisions that affect the character and future of our community. Everyone is encouraged to review the proposed updates and share their views during the consultation, so the final plan reflects local priorities and ensures Old Basing and Lychpit remain a vibrant, well-planned Parish for years to come. **PLEASE LOOK OUT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THIS CONSULTATION ON PARISH NOTICEBOARDS AND THE PARISH WEBSITE IN JANUARY.**

Parish Council Award 2025



Gill Moore (pictured left with Parish Council Chairman Murray Campbell) was awarded the **Parish Council Award 2025** in recognition of her exceptional and long-standing voluntary service to Old Basing and Lychpit. Gill has dedicated countless hours to gardening at St Mary's Churchyard and Basing House, participating in Citizen Science initiatives on the River Loddon and assisting with Rights of Way maintenance. She plays key roles as Secretary to both the Lychpit Community Residents Association and OBLEC, leads planting schemes across several parish locations, advocates for the enhancement of Broadhurst Grove Village Green, supports the Good Neighbours group, and has recently joined the Carnival Committee. Gill's contributions are so extensive that it is likely some

have been unintentionally omitted from this note. However, what is clear is her wholehearted dedication to the Parish and its residents. Her tireless efforts across environmental, social, and civic spheres make her a truly deserving nominee for a Parish Award, presented at the Community Partnership Evening on 8th December.

CIL Funding Allocations

Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council has now completed its latest round of **Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)** allocations, following a thorough and carefully-managed process designed to ensure fairness, transparency, and the best outcomes for the Parish. Councillors undertook a detailed due diligence process, meeting applicants face-to-face to understand proposals in depth, reviewing supporting evidence, and assessing each project against CIL regulations and community needs. In total, requests for funding amounted to more than twice the value of the CIL funds available, meaning the Council was faced

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

ENERGY SAVING MEASURES

Carbon Reduction Progress (30th May, 2024)

Solar panels and batteries have been installed at the Workshop to provide power to the parish office and reduce our call on the national grid. Our expectation is that this will contribute about one-third of our annual usage and by using off-peak power along with the installation of a heat pump we hope to reduce the carbon demand even further. Similarly we are also installing a heat pump at the Cottage on Riley Lane which is owned by the Parish Council. When the process is complete, we will report on the considerations and costs so that residents who are considering similar measures may determine whether these are suitable for their needs. We hope that after a year we should be able to provide a report on the overall results.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Update (30th May, 2024)

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The Neighbourhood Plan is a tortuous process but having this in place does increase the amount the parish receives from development via the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). So far we have used this cash for grants to the Village Hall, Basing Royals football team, the Scouts, Mill Field Conservation Group and the Churchyard Conservation Group.

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April 2024

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March 2024

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS

Firstly, to the **Basinga** on achieving Overall Fourth Place and **Best Edited Magazine** in the **National Parish Magazine Awards**. When you consider how many parish magazines are published, this is a great achievement.

We must also offer huge congratulations to local resident, **Katherine Antrobus** and her two Vodafone colleagues in breaking the world record as the fastest group of three women to row from La Gomera in the Canaries to Antigua in a race known as "The World's Toughest Row" – what an incredible achievement! Katherine and her colleagues raised money for WWF and UNHCF with donations being match-funded by the Vodafone Foundation.

THIEVES VISIT THE RECREATION GROUND – AGAIN!

Yet again the workshop at the recreation ground has been broken into and this time, unable to breach the security on the doors, the thieves smashed a hole through the wall at the rear of the building! Despite the alarm sounding and other security measures activating, thousands of pounds worth of grounds maintenance equipment was stolen.

Police and our security company were on site in less than eight minutes of the alarm activating but those responsible had disappeared. For some reason the automatic gate installed at the entrance to the grounds just before Christmas was open on that particular night. CCTV images have been passed to the police to enable them to build up a profile of this and similar incidents elsewhere in the Basingstoke area.

ALLOTMENTS

During the winter our grounds contractors, Larkstel, carried out a huge amount of clearance work at the allotments and along the boundary with the cemetery. This work included removal of very old trees following storm damage and clearance of larger plots that had been vacated. As a result, we have been able to clear our wait-list and now have plots available if anyone is considering taking on an allotment. The plots have all been strimmed ready for someone to take over and Spring is the ideal time of year to start planting. If you are interested, please contact Kate Hope, our Deputy Clerk, using the email address: deputy.clerk@oldbasing.gov.uk

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE

Thank you to all those who completed and returned the Questionnaire. By early February a total of 518 had been received and, at the time of writing, are now being processed.

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December 2023

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

LICENCE APPLICATION RELATING TO 3 DAY MUSIC FESTIVAL

Many of you will now be aware that the Licence Application for the above festival was granted by the Borough Council's Licensing Sub-Committee. This is very disappointing especially for those residents living closest to the site who will be most affected by the traffic and noise and general disruption this event will create. Whilst recognising that many will welcome such an event, a real concern is the safety of residents - pedestrians, cyclists and horse-riders in particular - that use these country lanes, and the Parish Council will now concentrate on working as closely as possible with Hampshire Highways to ensure that the Traffic Management Plan (TMP) put forward for consideration by the Safety Advisory Group (SAG) is as robust as possible in addressing all the concerns raised by the Parish Council and residents at the Licensing Hearing.

CHRISTMAS AT THE REC. – FRIDAY 22nd DECEMBER

Plans are progressing for the above event at the recreation ground in Old Basing and we look forward to welcoming as many residents (young and old) as possible. Please walk if you can but, if not, the car parks in Riley Lane and at the front of the Recreation Ground will be available. We are all now hoping that all the rain we are currently experiencing will have moved on and we will have a dry evening.

PARISH COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS – 2024

The first meeting in 2024 will be the full Parish Council meeting. Usually held on the first Tuesday of the month, due to its proximity to the New Year, this meeting will be held on **Tuesday 9th January**. Dates for all meetings will be published on our website, noticeboards and in the Winter edition of the Community Newsletter which you will receive in early December.

When you receive the Community Newsletter this should also be accompanied by a Questionnaire relating to the review of the Neighbourhood Plan. It is particularly important that we have as much feedback as possible from parishioners to ensure the Neighbourhood Plan is a true reflection of what all our residents want in their parish. Please take the time to respond – there will be a reply-paid envelope for those who do not use computers.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next meeting date is **Tuesday, 5 December** starting at **7.30pm**. Please let us know if you are unable to manage the stairs to the meeting room to enable us to make alternative arrangements.

Parish Clerk: **Mrs Sandra Tuck**

Deputy Clerk: **Mrs Kate Hope**

Address: **The Pavilion, Recreation Ground, The Street,
Old Basing, RG24 7DA**

Telephone: **01256 462847**

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – THE UPDATE

As advised before, the Parish Council is working on updating the Neighbourhood Plan. Part of this work involves drafting a questionnaire to go to residents in the Parish. If you have a market research background, or some research knowledge, could you help us please? If you can, just forward your contact details to clerk@oldbasing.gov.uk and we will be in touch.

COUNCILLOR RESIGNATION

We are sorry to report that one of our Lychpit Councillors, **Gillian Moore**, has decided to give up her role as a Councillor to spend more time with her family. Much as Gill will be missed, this has come as no surprise as she has been a very active Councillor, joining the OBLEC group, representing the Parish Council on the Village Hall and Basinga Committees and the newly formed Carnival Committee – all this in addition to her other volunteering activities at Basing House and, alongside Cllr Sheena Grassi, regularly carrying out footpath clearance and litter picking. We will miss Gill's energy and enthusiasm for everything she takes on and hope she and her husband enjoy spending more time together.

DEVELOPMENT THREAT

Following the recent 'consultations' at the Lychpit Community Hall and Chineham Library on development of Land East of Basingstoke, the Parish Council and the OBLEC group have both submitted responses to Hampshire County Council opposing the plans put forward at these events. Councillors were less than impressed with the way in which this 'consultation' was conducted and the Clerk has also written to Carolyn Williamson, CEO of HCC to complain. The Parish Council's response to the 'consultation' and letter to Carolyn Williamson will be published in full in the Autumn Edition of the Community Newsletter to be distributed soon after you receive your Basinga.

CHRISTMAS AT THE REC

Did you participate in the Coronation Lunch at the recreation ground? Those who did enjoyed getting together with friends and relatives so much that the Council has been approached about another community get-together later in the year. A date is still being finalised and full details will be published in the October Basinga.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next two meeting dates are **Tuesday, 5th September** and **3rd October**, starting at **7.30pm**. Please let us know if you are unable to manage the stairs to the meeting room to enable us to make alternative arrangements.

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Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council

Neighbourhood Plan

The Update



Community Questionnaire Responses

The first version of the Old Basing & Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan was agreed by Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council in July 2018.

Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council is now working on updating the Plan to reflect the changing local environment. Questionnaires were delivered to every household and business address within the Parish in December 2023, to gather the views of the local community regarding the proposed updates.

Householder Information

A total of 526 questionnaires were received and processed by Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council. These replies represented the views of a total of 1089 individuals. A majority (35%) of the representations were aged 60-75. 53% were over 60 years old and 75% were over 40 years old.

What ages are the people in your Household?



Responses to Objectives

Respondents were overwhelmingly in favour of the amended objectives which are to form the basis of the updated Neighbourhood Plan.

Stand-out reactions, which had 98% of respondents' support, were "to ensure all new development contributes positively to local character and distinctiveness of the Parish and enhance biodiversity" (NP Objective 5)) and "to protect and enhance the environmental quality of land within the Parish and maintain its contribution to the visual amenities of the area" (NP Objective 7).

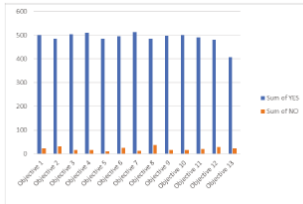
Furthermore, 97% of respondents were in favour of "protect and promote areas of Local Green Space that are of significance to the community" (NP Objective 3), "protect and enhance the historic environment of the Parish" (NP Objective 4), "ensure that new developments provide cycling, walking and public transport networks which are safe and function efficiently with good connectivity to Basingstoke" (NP Objective 9) and "develop footways with developer contribution to improve safety of the Community, especially pedestrians and cyclists, and connectivity to Basingstoke" (NP Objective 10).

Such feedback provides firm evidence that the local community cares greatly about the future of our green surroundings and historic roots. Many local people also wish to enable better ways to move around the Parish and wider area, avoiding the need for unnecessary vehicular use.

Very little resistance was seen towards any of the proposed objectives, but the most negative reaction shown was to not "ensure the effective and efficient use of existing housing stock within the Parish, and where possible smaller

dwelling (of 3 bedrooms or less) should be retained" (NP Objective 8). However, with 93% of the respondents supporting this objective, it is still very much seen to be important to most residents.

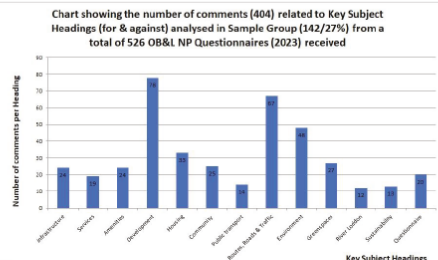
The chart on the right illustrates the strong support for all the updated objectives. Overall, 96% of the responses considered the objectives to be very, or quite, important (YES) and 4% felt that the suggested objectives were quite unimportant or not at all important (NO).



Free Comments

Many took the opportunity to comment on a wider range of subjects related to the Local and Neighbourhood plan updates. The great majority of comment mirrored the responses given to our Objectives. Beyond that, many were concerned about increased pressure from the new houses, especially on education and health facilities, as well as shops and community spaces, water, and power supply. While the parish council agrees with these concerns, and will take them up, these concerns lie beyond the scope of the parish council's powers.

Chart showing the number of comments (404) related to Key Subject Headings (for & against) analysed in Sample Group (142/27%) from a total of 526 OB&L NP Questionnaires (2023) received



Note:

- Key Subject Headings include secondary related subjects e.g.: (Borough & Development), (Boroughs, Types & Housing), (Congestion, Parking, Paths, Routes, Road & Traffic), (Biodiversity, Pollution, Wildlife & Environment) etc.
- Comment numbers are a subjective interpretation (for & against), due to the original responses made in the NP questionnaire using varying styles and unclear wording.
- Key responses concern: Development & its support, increasing traffic issues, importance of local environment & River Loddon.

We analysed 27% of the comments to gauge public reaction. Not all responses included free comment but there were 404 comments in total which are shown in the chart above. The comments were overwhelmingly in favour of our objectives, allowing three main conclusions to be drawn:

- The primary concern for residents is the impact of development of an additional 900 houses to the current 3100 on the community and its character, particularly the impact of additional traffic.
- Furthermore, the sustainability of facilities and services such as health and education provision, water and electricity supply and sewerage and waste-water treatment have been highlighted as troubling.
- Also of concern is the deleterious impact on the highly valued landscape, environment, wildlife and quality of the River Loddon and its valley.

Parish Notes

CHRISTMAS AT THE REC

Please join us on Friday 22nd December at 5 o'clock, for a Christmas singalong. You don't need to book a space but might like to bring a chair and a lantern or torch for your comfort. Song sheets will be available in limited quantities (or available on your own screen by scanning a QR code). Please walk if you can but, if not, the car parks in Riley Lane and at the front of the Recreation Ground will be available. This event has been generously fully funded by the Parish Council and Hampshire County Councillor Elaine Still. Hot drinks will be on offer alongside Christmassy treats courtesy of the wonderful Village Café. We will be offering the opportunity to all attendees of the event to make a donation to a local charity

CONGRATULATIONS

The Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to extend its warmest congratulations to Councillor Francesca Maritan-Hawkins and her husband, Chris, on their recent marriage. We wish you both the greatest happiness together.

THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

The Parish Council wishes to echo the kind words of Sheena Grassi on page 28 regarding the incredible contribution which Donald Grassi has made to the Parish having helped to initially found, and subsequently manage, the running of the Village Hall since it was built back in 1982. An amazing achievement, which is very much appreciated by the whole community.

BREAK IN AT THE PARISH WORKSHOP

Following a break in over the summer, we are disappointed to report that the workshop opposite the Parish Office was broken into again at the end of October. Only one week before this latest intrusion, the Parish Council had installed new CCTV cameras. The evidence and clarity which was available to assist the Police with their investigations was significant and somewhat fortunately, the perpetrators were unable to access the building. By the time this newsletter is distributed, the new automatic security gate will also have been installed, which we hope will go some way to preventing too many more of these events.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Our Neighbourhood Plan became operational in 2018 and was intended to manage development in the parish in line with Basingstoke and Deane's Local Plan, protecting and enhancing our rural environment and heritage assets, development style and relieve the problems of traffic and road safety on our narrow roads. In this it has had some success. Having a Neighbourhood Plan has substantially increased our allocation of Community Infrastructure Levy (currently £412,000) which can be spent on suitable projects in the Parish.

Further information regarding this Levy can be read on page 16. Now, the Borough Council are rebooting their Local Plan and they recently gave Councillors a briefing on progress. There is continuing pressure for development East of Basingstoke, that is, east of Pyotts Hill and along

the Reading Road. This would add 900 houses there and potentially 600 more at Lodge Farm next to it. This would alter the whole character of Old Basing and Lychpit, and would endanger the natural environment, landscape and biodiversity of the River Loddon and valley. It threatens to make us just a suburb of Basingstoke.

We have engaged planning specialists to help us to refine and build on the current Neighbourhood Plan with grant funding. Much now depends on Basingstoke and Deane's Local Plan proposals which will be put forward in January 2024.

We hope there will be a more balanced view of how development can be managed. In this newsletter are various articles on the matter, and you should also have received a copy of a questionnaire about our objectives for the revised Neighbourhood Plan. Please help us judge the importance you place on the big questions we face by completing and returning this Questionnaire.

Parish Council

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Questionnaire

What is a Neighbourhood Plan?

The purpose of the Neighbourhood Plan is to guide development within the Parish and provide guidance to any interested parties wishing to submit planning applications for development in the Parish. The process of producing the Plan must involve the community as widely as possible and the different topic areas are reflective of matters that are of considerable importance to the residents, businesses, and community groups in Old Basing and Lychpit.

The first version of the Old Basing & Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan was agreed by Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council in July 2018.

Now your Parish Council is working on *The Update* of this.

Please complete the Questionnaire which accompanies this Newsletter

We want the views of residents regarding this updating work - so please take time to complete and return the Questionnaire which accompanies this Newsletter.

**THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE
UPDATE OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Please use the reply-paid envelope to return the Questionnaire as soon as you can.
(You can find the previous Neighbourhood Plan on the Parish Council website.)



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 Old Basing &
Lychpit Parish
Council

Neighbourhood Plan Update

The Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan was adopted by the Borough Council in July 2018. It aims to support sustainable development envisaged in the Local Plan consonant with the local environment and amenity of the Parish.

Your Parish Council now seeks to update the Neighbourhood Plan through a new series of local consultations.

The purpose of the Neighbourhood Plan is to guide development within the Parish and to provide guidance to any interested parties wishing to submit planning applications for development within the Parish.

View the existing Neighbourhood Plan on the Parish Council's website.

We now invite residents, businesses and community groups to comment on whatever aspects of the Plan they are interested in or concerned about, such as:

- Traffic and road safety
- Uncontrolled development
- Protection of the Loddon Valley

Watch out for more over coming months.....
Get Involved

 clerk@oldbasing.gov.uk

 01256 462847

 www.oldbasing.gov.uk



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Appendix C: Notification letter to list of statutory consultees and other consultees

From: Kate Hope <clerk@oldbasing.gov.uk>

Sent: 26 January 2026 13:24

Subject: Regulation 14 Consultation – Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review

You don't often get email from clerk@oldbasing.gov.uk. [Learn why this is important](#)
Dear Sir or Madam,

Old Basing and Lychpit Parish Council is writing to inform you that it is undertaking the Regulation 14 (Pre-Submission) consultation on the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review.

The Neighbourhood Plan Review updates the Neighbourhood Plan that was made in July 2018. The purpose of the review is to ensure that the Plan remains up to date, effective, and consistent with current national and local planning policy, while continuing to reflect the priorities of the local community.

Consultation period

The Regulation 14 consultation will run for a minimum of six weeks:

Start date: Monday 26 January 2026

Closing date: Thursday 12 March 2026 (midnight)

During this period, the draft Neighbourhood Plan Review and supporting documents will be available to view on the Parish Council website and in locations within the Parish.

Summary of key policy changes

The Neighbourhood Plan Review does not introduce any new strategic housing allocations and retains the overall spatial strategy of the made plan. The principal changes include:

- Re-structuring and renumbering of policies to improve clarity and usability;
- Introduction of a Local Gap and Landscape, Biodiversity and Loddon Valley policy to strengthen protection against coalescence and safeguard the landscape setting of the Loddon Valley;
- Updating and strengthening design policies, supported by a new Design Code that builds upon the existing

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Village Design Statement;

- Retention and refinement of policies relating to Local Green Spaces, iconic views, heritage, housing mix, movement routes, and developer contributions, informed by updated evidence and consultation;
- Updates to supporting text to reflect current national and local planning policy, demographic data, and environmental evidence.

Further detail on the proposed modifications is provided in the accompanying Schedule of Proposed Modifications.

Viewing Documents

Hard copies of the draft Neighbourhood Plan Review and relevant supporting documents can be viewed during normal opening hours at the following locations:

• Royal British Legion, Old Basing, Milkingpen Lane, Old Basing, Basingstoke RG24 7DQ Open Mon–Thu 16.00–23.00; Fri–Sat 12.00–00.00; Sun 12.00–22.30
• St Mary's Church, Church Lane, Old Basing, Basingstoke RG24 7DJ The church is generally open daily during daylight hours (opening times may vary)
• Old Basing and Lychpit Parish Council Offices, The Pavilion, Recreation Ground, The Street, Old Basing RG24 7DA Open Monday–Thursday 10:00–12:00
• Chineham Library, Chineham District Centre, Centre Drive, Chineham, Basingstoke RG24 8BQ Open Tuesday & Friday 09:30–17:00; Wednesday 09:30–13:30; Saturday 09:30–17:00
• Lychpit Community Hall, Great Binfields Road, Lychpit, Basingstoke RG24 8TF As part of this consultation, the Parish Council are also holding two drop-in sessions where you can: • View information on display • Learn more about the emerging Neighbourhood Plan and its key policies • Share your views informally with the project team • The drop-in sessions are as follows: Monday 9 February — 11:30 to 15:30 at Lychpit Community Hall Saturday 28 February — 10:00 to 15:00 at Lychpit Community Hall No booking is required — attendees are welcome at any time during the sessions. These events are an opportunity to discuss aspects of the plan in person and ask any questions you may have ahead of or during your formal review. You can find full details of the drop-in sessions at: https://www.oldbasingnp.co.uk/page/consultation-events

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Please check venue websites or contact locations directly before visiting, as opening times may change.

How to respond

Representations should be made in writing and received by the closing date above.

Comments may be submitted:

- By the Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Page: www.ldbasingnp.co.uk
- By email: obnpconsultation@etplanning.co.uk
- By post:
Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 Consultation
c/o ET Planning
200 Dukes Ride
Crowthorne

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To ensure representations can be treated as duly made, respondents are asked to clearly identify themselves and, where possible, to reference the relevant section or policy of the Neighbourhood Plan Review.

Next steps

All representations received during the consultation period will be carefully considered by the Parish Council. Following consultation, the Neighbourhood Plan Review will be finalised and submitted to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council for independent examination, alongside a Consultation Statement, Modification Statement and Basic Conditions Statement.

If you have any questions regarding the consultation or require documents in an alternative format, please contact the Parish Council using the details above.

We would welcome your comments on the draft Neighbourhood Plan Review.

Yours faithfully,

Kate
Kate Hope
Clerk to Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council
Proper Officer & Responsible Financial Officer
Office Telephone 01256 462847
www.ldbasing.gov.uk

The Parish Office is open from Monday to Thursday between the hours of 10.00 and 12.00.

If you have an URGENT query in my absence, please contact 07507514498.

Disclaimer: This email may contain privileged and/or confidential information. If you receive this in error, please notify the sender immediately and do not use or disclose its content to any other party. Any views or opinions expressed are those of the author and do not represent those of Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council. Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council is committed to safeguarding your personal data and complying with the rights of individuals under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). The Old Basing & Lychpit PC Privacy Notice and other GDPR policies and documents can be accessed on the website www.ldbasing.gov.uk.



Appendix D: Public Noticeboard poster



PUBLIC NOTICE

Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review Regulation 14 (Pre-Submission) Consultation

Old Basing and Lychpit Parish Council is inviting comments on the draft Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review. The Review updates the Neighbourhood Plan made in July 2018 to ensure it remains up to date, effective and consistent with current national and local planning policy, while reflecting local community priorities.

Consultation Period

Start: Monday 26 January 2026

Closing date: Thursday 12 March 2026 (midnight)

What is changing?

- No new strategic housing allocations; overall spatial strategy retained
- Clearer structure and renumbering of policies
- New Local Gap policy to protect the Loddon Valley and prevent coalescence
- Updated design policies supported by a new Design Code
- Refined policies on Local Green Spaces, views, heritage, housing mix, movement routes and developer contributions



View the documents

Scan the QR code or visit www.oldbasingnp.co.uk.

Hard copies can be viewed during normal opening hours at:

- Royal British Legion, Old Basing
- Old Basing and Lychpit Village Hall
- St Mary's Church, Old Basing
- Parish Council Offices, Old Basing
- Chineham Library

How to comment

Deadline: Thursday 12 March 2026 (midnight)

Online: www.oldbasingnp.co.uk

Email: obnpconsultation@etplanning.co.uk

Post: c/o ET Planning, 200 Dukes Ride, Crowthorne, RG45 6DS

Next steps

All comments will be considered by the Parish Council before the Plan is finalised and submitted to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council for independent examination.

Appendix E: Hard copy of Regulation 14 questionnaire



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Regulation 14 Pre-Submission Consultation Questionnaire

Consultation period

The Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 (Pre-Submission) consultation will run for a minimum of six weeks, starting on:

Monday 26 January 2026

Closing date: Thursday 12 March 2026 (midnight)

The Regulation 14 Neighbourhood Plan consultation provides an opportunity for residents, businesses, landowners, statutory consultees and other stakeholders to comment on the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review and its supporting documents.

All representations received will be considered by the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Team and Parish Council. Following consultation, a Consultation Statement will be prepared which will: - summarise all comments received; - identify who made the representations (where appropriate); and - explain how the comments have been taken into account.

The Consultation Statement will be submitted alongside the revised Neighbourhood Plan to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council.

How to respond

You can submit your comments:

- **Via the online consultation portal accessed via:** www.oldbasingNP.co.uk
- **By email:** obnpconsultation@etplanning.co.uk
- **By post:**
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Comments received after the closing date may not be considered.

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CONSULTATION FORM

Are you responding as? *(please tick one)*

- ☐ An individual
- ☐ On behalf of an organisation
- ☐ On behalf of a client / agent

Your details

Name*:

Company / Organisation (if applicable):

Address Line 1:

Address Line 2:

Town / City:

Postcode*:

Email address:

Fields marked with an asterisk () are mandatory.*

Please note: anonymous representations cannot be accepted and may not be treated as duly made. *(*) are mandatory*

Agent details (if applicable)

Agent name:

Company:

Email address:

Q1. Do you wish to: *(tick one)*

- ☐ Support the Neighbourhood Plan Review
- ☐ Object to the Neighbourhood Plan Review

Q2. Is your comment: *(tick one)*

- ☐ General (about the plan as a whole)
- ☐ Specific (about a particular section or policy)

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Q3. If your comment is specific, please identify which part of the Neighbourhood Plan it relates to

(e.g. section title, objective, policy number, or paragraph reference)

Q4. Please use the space below to set out your comments

You may comment on matters such as:

- *clarity of policies;*
- *whether policies are supported by evidence;*
- *whether policies meet local needs;*
- *whether policies align with national and local planning policy.*

(Additional sheets may be attached if required.)

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Confirmation of representation

To ensure that your response can be treated as a **duly made representation** for the purposes of Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended), please confirm the following:

- ☐ I confirm that the information provided in this form is accurate and that this response is intended to be treated as a formal representation to the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 consultation.
- ☐ I understand that my comments will be considered by the Parish Council and may be summarised and published in the Consultation Statement.

Privacy statement

The purpose of this consultation is to support the preparation of the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review.

The information you provide will be used solely for neighbourhood planning purposes. Your comments may be shared with third parties involved in preparing, reviewing or examining the Neighbourhood Plan and may be published as part of the Consultation Statement. Where appropriate, representations from organisations will be published together with the name of the organisation and the respondent.

Personal data will not be used for direct marketing or any purpose unrelated to the Neighbourhood Plan.

Participation in this consultation is voluntary. You may request that part or all of your personal data be deleted, subject to statutory requirements.

Please confirm that you have read and understood the privacy statement:

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Thank you for taking the time to respond to the Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14 consultation.

Example of Letter Sent to Local Green Spaces

Local Consultees

Although not a compulsory requirement, landowners whose land was Local Green Spaces were consulted upon, those with known email addresses emailed.



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01256 462847
clerk@oldbasing.gov.uk

BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE BOROUGH COUNCIL of Civic Offices,
London Road,
Basingstoke
RG21 2AJ.

28th October 2025

Dear Basingstoke and Dean Borough Council

Re: Review of Local Green Spaces – Old Basing and Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan Review

Old Basing and Lychpit Parish Council is currently in the process of reviewing our adopted Neighbourhood Plan. As part of this review, we have been undertaking an assessment of existing and potential **Local Green Spaces (LGS)** in accordance with national planning policy.

The **National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)** allows communities to identify and designate Local Green Spaces through their neighbourhood plans. This designation provides special protection for green areas that are:

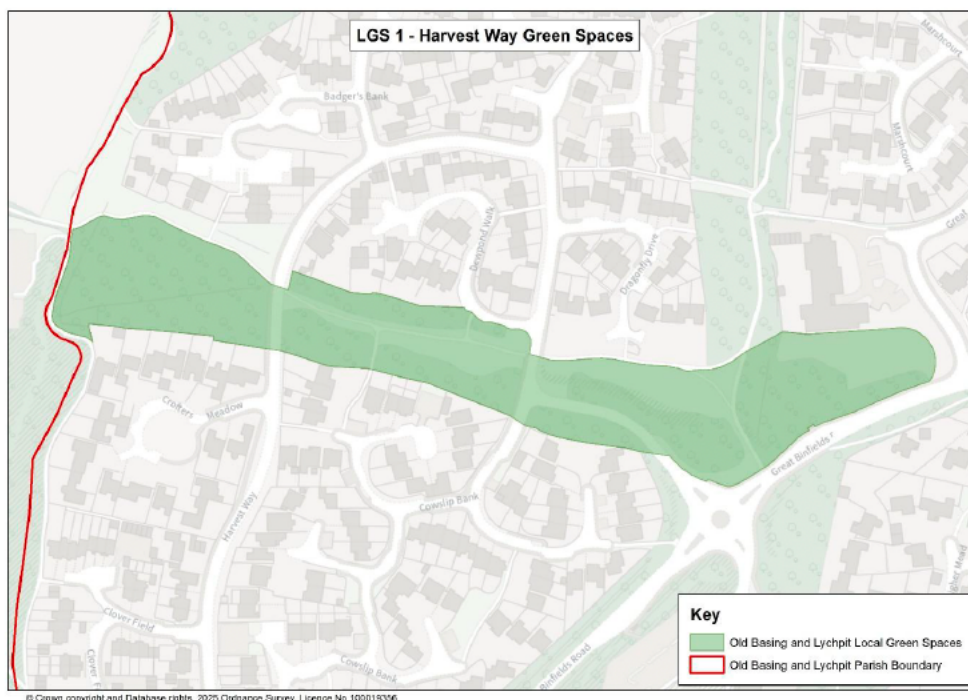
- **Close to the community** they serve.
- **Demonstrably special** to a local community, for example because of their beauty, historic significance, recreational value, tranquillity, or richness of wildlife.
- **Local in character** and not an extensive tract of land.

Once designated, Local Green Spaces are afforded protection similar to Green Belt land, meaning development is generally ruled out other than in very special circumstances.

As part of our review, we have identified the following area of land in your ownership:



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Before progressing to a formal consultation stage on the Neighbourhood Plan, we would like to give you the opportunity to provide your thoughts on this proposed designation. Your views are important to us, and we would welcome any comments you may have about this proposal.

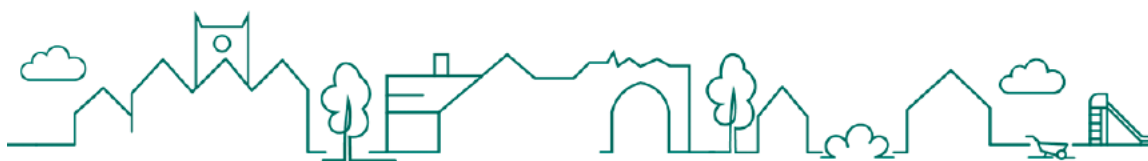
Please could you respond with any comments you may have to clerk@oldbasing.gov.uk or in writing to the Parish Council address by **Friday 14th November 2025** so that we can consider your feedback in the next stage of the Neighbourhood Plan review.

If you would like to discuss this further or require more information, please do not hesitate to contact the Parish Council office at clerk@oldbasing.gov.uk or by calling 01256 462847.

Thank you for your time and for your contribution to shaping the future of Old Basing and Lychpit.

Yours sincerely,

Kate Hope
Clerk to the Parish Council
Proper Officer and Responsible Financial Officer



Appendix F: Summary of results from questionnaire undertaken



Community Questionnaire Responses

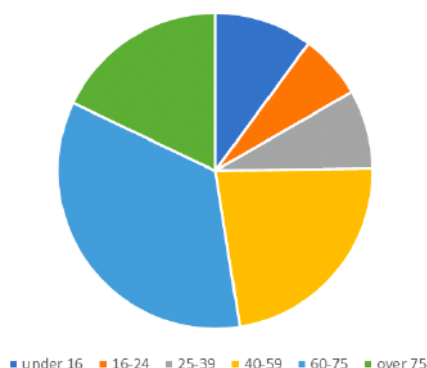
The first version of the Old Basing & Lychpit Neighbourhood Plan was agreed by Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council in July 2018.

Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council is now working on updating the Plan to reflect the changing local environment. Questionnaires were delivered to every household and business address within the Parish in December 2023, to gather the views of the local community regarding the proposed updates.

Householder Information

A total of 525 questionnaires were received and processed by Old Basing & Lychpit Parish Council. These replies represented the views of a total of 1089 individuals. A majority (35%) of the representations were aged 60-75. 53% were over 60 years old and 75% were over 40 years old.

What ages are the people in your Household?



Responses to Objectives

Respondents were overwhelmingly in favour of the amended objectives which are to form the basis of the updated Neighbourhood Plan.

Stand-out reactions, which had 98% of respondents' support, were *"to ensure all new development contributes positively to local character and distinctiveness of the Parish and enhance biodiversity"* (NP Objective 5)) and *"to protect and enhance the environmental quality of land within the Parish and maintain its contribution to the visual amenities of the area"* (NP Objective 7).

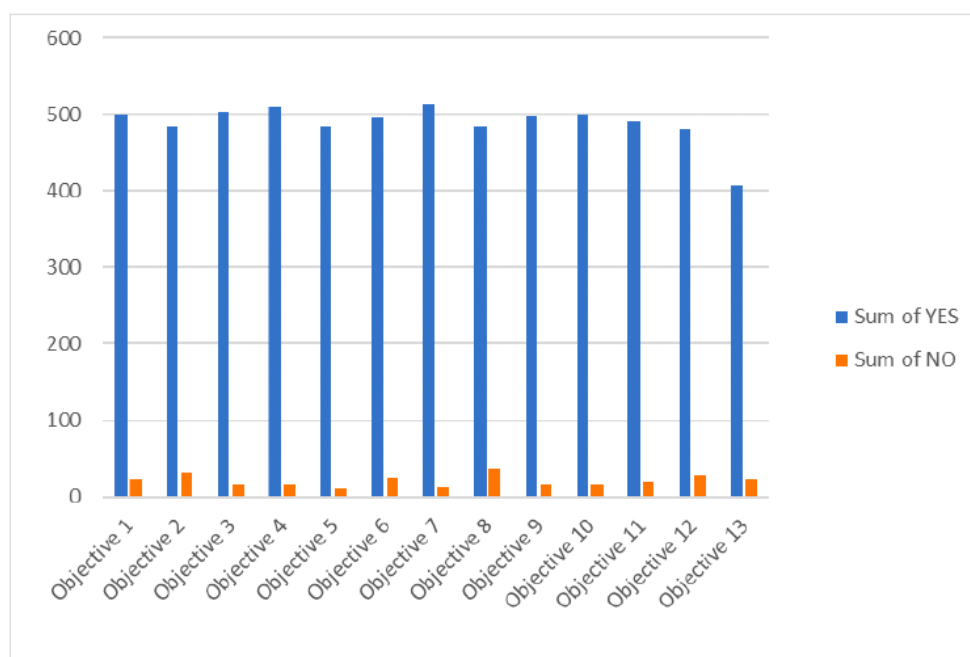
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Furthermore, 97% of respondents were in favour of “*protect and promote areas of Local Green Space that are of significance to the community*” (NP Objective 3), “*protect and enhance the historic environment of the Parish*” (NP Objective 4), “*ensure that new developments provide cycling, walking and public transport networks which are safe and function efficiently with good connectivity to Basingstoke*” (NP Objective 9) and “*develop footways with developer contribution to improve safety of the Community, especially pedestrians and cyclists, and connectivity to Basingstoke*” (NP Objective 10).

Such feedback provides firm evidence that the local community cares greatly about the future of our green surroundings and historic roots. Many local people also wish to enable better ways to move around the Parish and wider area, avoiding the need for unnecessary vehicular use.

Very little resistance was seen towards any of the proposed objectives, but the most negative reaction shown was to not “*ensure the effective and efficient use of existing housing stock within the Parish, and where possible smaller dwellings (of 3 bedrooms or less) should be retained*” (NP Objective 8). However with 93% of the respondents supporting this objective, it is still very much seen to be important to most local residents.

The chart below illustrates the strong support for all the updated objectives. Overall, 96% of the responses considered the objectives to be very, or quite, important (YES) and 4% felt that the suggested objectives were quite unimportant or not at all important (NO).



Free Comments

Many took the opportunity to comment on a wider range of subjects related to the Local and Neighbourhood plan updates. The great majority of comment mirrored the responses given to our Objectives. Beyond that, many were concerned about increased pressure from the new houses, especially on education and health facilities, as well as shops and community spaces, water and power supply. While the parish council agrees with these concerns, and will take them up, these concerns lie beyond the scope of the parish council’s powers.

