



WICKERSLEY

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Statement of Consultation

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1.0 Introduction

The Wickersley Neighbourhood Plan (WNP) has been produced by Wickersley Parish Council (WPC), but has been led by a Neighbourhood Plan Project Group comprising of both residents and councillors from across the Plan area. The WNP has been produced using the views and opinions expressed by all the stakeholders in the area, such as; local residents, local business owners and local landowners. The aim of the WNP is to positively plan for the future development of the area to create a sustainable place for people to live, work and visit.

The purpose of this document is to demonstrate how the WNP is the result of community and stakeholder engagement and consultation, and how its vision, aims, objectives, and policies are a genuine response to local issues and aspirations. The results of engagement and consultation have informed and shaped the Plan, and its policies, ensuring that they promote sustainable development and reflect local needs.

Included in this summary is an overview and description of the numerous engagement and consultation exercises that have been undertaken in the WNP process. The appendix to the summary contains evidence and records of engagement exercises. Some material is too comprehensive for inclusion in this document so is contained within the evidence base.

This consultation statement has been prepared to fulfil the legal obligations of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2018 Section 15(2) Part 5 of the Regulations sets out what a Consultation Statement should contain:

- details of people and organisations consulted about the proposed neighbourhood plan;
- details of how they were consulted;
- a summary of the main issues and concerns raised through the consultation process;
- descriptions of how these issues and concerns were considered and addressed in the proposed neighbourhood plan

1.1 Aims of Consultation

To ensure the local community feel a sense of ownership over the WNP the project group scheduled an extensive series of exercises aimed at promoting, informing, engaging and consulting with local people.

Key principles of engagement and consultation:

- Front loading

A great deal of engagement was undertaken early on in the process before any contents of the Plan were decided. This was to ensure that the scope and content of the plan has been influenced by local people and can be evidenced as being a response the results of engagement and consultation.

- Continual consultation

Ensuring that consultation and feedback has been undertaken throughout the process of producing the WNP at key defined stages.

- Inclusion

An aim of the WNP has been to consult with a wide range of members of the community.

- Ensure transparency

The WNP project group have been keen to ensure that the NDP process is open, inclusive and transparent. This involves making sure all documents relating to the Plan and its engagement and consultation are available to members of the community and key stakeholders. Feedback sessions were held after key milestones to inform and update stakeholders.

1.2 Methodology

Throughout the process of producing the WNP different methods of engagement and consultation have been undertaken to achieve different outcomes. The different exercises can broadly fit into three categories: **Informing**, **Engaging**, and **Consulting**.

Informing exercises aimed to promote the NDP and raise awareness of the project in the community. This exercise was undertaken through the use of:

Newsletters delivered to all households in the Parish; Online news items on the WPC website and social media pages; Posters and flyers throughout the village; Feedback reports and meetings.

Engagement exercises were aimed at developing a critical understanding of local issues and aspirations so that the WNP could focus on the issues raised. This was done through:

Public surveys both online and in paper form; Business survey; Community drop-in sessions.

Consultation exercises were undertaken once the WNP has been sufficiently developed so that proposals could be shown to stakeholders to gauge their support and to identify any concerns of areas of uncertainty. This has been done through:

Public surveys both online and in paper form; meetings with Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council; leaflets delivered to all households inviting them to view the WNP and to provide comments; Pre-submission consultation for 8 weeks (2 week extension as held over Christmas). All responses received at Regulation 14 consultation are included in this document.

1.3 Timeline of engagement activity

Initial Engagement - Spring/Summer 2018

- Promotion and awareness raising
- Online and physical surveys
- Local business survey
- 2 Community drop-in sessions

Feedback and Design Code engagement - Autumn 2018

Feedback reports produced and presented to project group and community. Meeting with RMBC

Design Code workshop

Ongoing consultation and amendments - Spring 2019 - 2021

Community feedback and consultation drop-in session on emerging draft WNP

Winter 2019-2020

Draft WNP shared with RMBC followed by comments and amendments. Meeting with RMBC

Summer 2020

Draft WNP shared with RMBC followed by comments and amendments

Winter 2020-2021

Regulation 14 Consultation for 8 weeks with statutory bodies and key stakeholders

1.4 Summary of initial engagement

There were 305 responses to the online and physical survey in the summer of 2018.

There were over 50 attendees to the 2 drop-in events held during the initial engagement in the summer of 2018.

Several summary reports have been produced that detail the number and nature of comments and responses at all stages of engagement and consultation. These are included in this document. Full results from the online and physical surveys are too substantial for inclusion in this document so are instead included in the Evidence Base.

A summary of the key issues and aspirations raised at initial engagement and consultation is below:

- Conserve local heritage and the historic character of the village
- Retain and enhance green spaces for community benefit
- Ensure new housing meets local needs and responds to the character of Wickersley
- Retain and enhance green infrastructure and the natural environment
- Address traffic and parking issues
- Protect and enhance community facilities
- Manage issues of drinking establishments in the district centre
- Improve functionality and appearance of the district centre
- Help to address and mitigate the effects of climate change

1.5 Ongoing consultation

Following the initial engagement exercises summary reports were produced to help digest and understand the responses. Specific issues were identified and grouped thematically into potential policy areas for further consideration. These were:

- Heritage
- Design
- Housing
- Green Infrastructure
- Village Centre
- Movement & Transport

A vision, aims and objectives, and emerging policies were produced and presented to the community at the feedback event and to RMBC.

Vision: Wickerlsey will continue to be a thriving community with a variety of amenities and facilities serving a diverse local population.

New, high quality housing will meet the needs of local people whilst sympathetically responding to the character of its area.

Green and open spaces will be protected, and where possible, enhanced, with new recreational facilities for young people. Public transport, walking and cycling infrastructure will be improved making it accessible and safe for all to travel and commute.

The village centre will be vibrant and sustainable, boasting a range of shopping, leisure and community services with high quality public realm.

Historic and heritage assets will continue to be protected and new development will be designed in a way that is respectful of and sensitive to these defining characteristics.

Aims & Objectives

1. Ensure new development is high quality, well-designed and responds to distinctive character of Wickersley
2. Ensure new housing meets local needs
3. Promote sustainable transport including improvements to pedestrian and cycle infrastructure, reduce car dependency and the impact of vehicles on streets / parking
4. Conserve and enhance green and open spaces and secure green infrastructure provision in new developments
5. Conserve and enhance heritage assets including non-designated heritage assets
6. Encourage the enhancement of the Tanyard and encourage appropriate uses in local centre, with greater regulation of drinking establishments and improved parking management
7. Retain existing community facilities and secure new facilities to meet any future demand, including but not limited to sports and recreational or children's and young people's play

1.6 How consultation informed policy

This section demonstrates how each policy contained in the WNP has been directly informed by issues, themes and comments raised throughout engagement and consultation.

- At initial engagement 180 people said they felt it was important that new development is responsive to the distinctive character of Wickersley.
- At initial engagement 156 people said that they felt in the next 15 years Wickersley should retain its character and identity.

Policies in response to this:

[GP1 High Quality Design](#), [GP2 Stonewalls](#), [GP4 Locally Listed Buildings](#), [GP5 Design & Development in the Conservation Area](#)

- At initial engagement 81 people felt the plan should include policies that promote heritage and conservation at the initial engagement exercises. (At pre-submission consultation 68% of respondents supported this policy, with a further 18% supporting the policy with modifications.)

Policy in response to this:

[GP4 Locally Listed buildings](#)

- At initial engagement local amenities was the most popular response when respondents were asked what they value the most about Wickersley with 150 responses. Respondents also shared their concerns that local services and amenities may face additional strain in the future.

Policy in response to this:

[GP3 Community Facilities](#)

- The house types residents felt were in highest demand within the Parish are: Specialist housing for older people (169 responses), Houses aimed at first time buyers (168 responses), and Smaller family homes (167 responses).

- At initial engagement 'responding to local needs' was the most popular response when asked when principles should inform new development, with 187 responses. A housing needs assessment was undertaken to help understand local housing needs and to provide an appropriate evidence base for the policy.

- Many respondents recognised that Wickersley has an older demographic and that new housing should meet their needs.

Policies in response to this:

[H1 Housing mix](#), [H2 Building for a Healthy Life & Lifetime Homes](#)

- At initial engagement energy efficiency was the 4th most popular response with 122 when asked what principles should inform new development. Green infrastructure was the 3rd most popular response with 152.

Policy in response to this:

[H3 Sustainable homes & renewable energy](#)

1.6 How consultation informed policy

- Green spaces were the 3rd most popular response when respondents were asked that their favourite thing is about Wickersley with 73 responses
- Green spaces was the 2nd most popular response when asked what issues the NDP should address with 142 responses
- Natural environment was the 4th most popular response when asked what issues the NDP should address with 114 responses
- When asked what principles should inform new housing, green infrastructure was the 3rd most popular response with 152 responses
- (GS2)** 15 respondents at Regulation 14 consultation support the inclusion of these sites representing 75% of all respondents. Only one objection was received to this policy with the remainder supporting the policy with modifications.

Policies in response to this:

GS1 Green infrastructure, GS2 Local Green Spaces

- At initial engagement 85 people said that new development should include pedestrian and cycle infrastructure
- 159 people said traffic and parking were their least favourite things about Wickersley
- 244 people felt the Plan should include policies around movement and transport
- Transport links was the 5th most popular thing about Wickersley with 59 responses

Policies in response to this:

M1 Pedestrian & cycle connections, M2 Parking solutions

- At initial engagement 101 people felt the NDP should include policies around the village centre
- 150 people said amenities were their favourite thing in Wickersley
- The variety of shops was the most popular thing about the Tanyard with 154 responses
- 58 people said pubs and bars were their least favourite thing about Wickersley
- Traffic and parking issues were the least favourite thing about the Tanyard with 133 responses

Policies in response to this:

VC1 Drinking establishments, VC2 Shop frontages

1.7 Regulation 14 Consultation

In total there were 26 respondents at pre-submission consultation. This includes RMBC, Statutory Consultees (Historic England, Natural England, the Environment Agency, Sheffield Area Geology Trust), local landowners, and members of the community.

Respondents were invited to comment on each individual policy and had the option to support a policy, support a policy with modifications, or object to a policy. Some respondents that chose 'support with modifications' did not specify any proposed modifications. Not all respondents responded to all questions.

Policy	Support	Support w/ modifications	Object
GP1 High Quality Design	15	5	0
GP2 Stonewalls	20	2	0
GP3 Community Facilities & Services	19	2	0
GP4 Locally Listed Buildings	16	4	3
GP5 Design & Development in the Conservation Area	16	4	1
H1 Housing Mix	10	8	3
H2 Building for a Healthy Life & Lifetime Homes	16	3	2
H3 Sustainable Homes & Renewables	18	2	0
GS1 Biodiversity & Green Infrastructure	19	3	1
GS2 Local Green Spaces	15	4	1
M1 Pedestrian & Cycle Connections	17	3	0
M2 Parking Solutions	16	4	0
VC1 Drinking Establishments	16	2	2
VC2 Shop Frontages	18	2	0
Design Code	12	7	1

List of groups consulted at Regulation 14 Consultation:

Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council
 Local Residents (invited via newsletter posted to all houses)
 Local Councillors
 Wickersley Academy
 Historic England
 Environment Agency
 Natural England
 Local landowners (Listerdale Estates, Warde-Aldam Estates)
 Residents whose property is included in policy GP4 Locally Listed Buildings
 Sheffield Area Geology Trust
 All respondents at initial engagement via email
 Rotherham District Civic Society

1.7 Regulation 14 Comments, WNP responses, and proposed actions

Name of consultee	Page/policy	Support, Support w/ modifications, Or Object	Consultee comment	WNP Response	Action
JVH Town Planning Consultants (Listerdale Estates)	General		The Plans in the document are poor quality and when viewed on screen do not adequately identify boundaries and properties so that users of the document can be clear where certain polices apply, especially plan 9 Action Required to Draft Plan Make the Plans in the document more legible.	The draft of the WNP that was consulted on was a compressed file. This has reduced the file size and quality of images included. This was to ensure the file is downloadable and sharable. The submission version of the WNP will be high resolution which should resolve these issues in identifying boundaries and properties.	Ensure submission version of WNP is high resolution.
Savills (on behalf of Warde-Aldam Estate)	General	Support	Firstly, we fully support the Neighbourhood Plan covering the same period as the adopted Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council Core Strategy (adopted 2014) up to 2028. This means that the Neighbourhood Plan, when formally 'made' (adopted), can be updated and refreshed at the end of this period to reflect any changes in circumstances and the scope and content of a new revised / reviewed Core Strategy / Local Plan.	Noted	None
Savills (on behalf of Warde-Aldam Estate)	Vision	Support	Our client supports the Vision of the Neighbourhood Plan as it is important to ensure that Wickersley continues to be a thriving community which provides high quality housing. However, this should be for existing and future residents and not just based on existing local needs. For a community to remain thriving, 'new blood' is required to be welcomed into the area and, as such, housing be available for existing and future residents.		

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Savills (on behalf of Warde-Aldam Estate)	Aims & Objectives	Support	In terms of the Aims and Objectives set out on page 17 in the consultation document, we can confirm that our client supports these, in principle.	Noted	None
Savills (on behalf of Warde-Aldam Estate)	GP1 High Quality Design	Support w/ modifications	With regard to Policy GP1: High Quality Design, our client agrees that having a Design Code will help ensure that future development proposals responds to local character. However, it is vital that the need to include a local character appraisal for future planning applications is commensurate in detail with the size of the proposal. In terms of our thoughts on the draft Design Code, please see our comments in Section 6 below for detail.	Noted and agreed	Note will be added to explain that character appraisals should be commensurate in detail and size of the proposal. New dwellings or commercials development only. Add guidance in design code about character appraisals.
Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council (RMBC)	GP1 High Quality Design	Support w/ modifications	Support subject to comments on Design Code.	Noted.	No change to this policy. Changes may be made to design code depending on comments.
John Close (Resident)	GP1 High Quality Design	Support	A pity the planners have not listened when this has been clearly voiced.	RMBC support this policy in the WNP	No change

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Paul Bullen (Resident)	GP1 High Quality Design	Support w/ modifications	The entirely laudable aim of the policy has to be balanced with the financial 'penalty' that over rigorous application of the policy would bring to owners/developers.	WNP does not consider the policy to be overly rigorous nor do we anticipate the policy to amount to a financial penalty for owners or developers.	No Change
Paul Pickering (Resident)	GP1 High Quality Design	Support	Providing an aim for what estate agents call a good selling point, kerb appeal for the whole village	Noted	No change
Bob Walsh (Councillor)	GP1 High Quality Design	Support w/ modifications	This presupposes that Wickersley has a distinctive character, but only two areas of the village actually do: the conservation area, and the Lister Estate (the 1920s estate to the north of the Bawtry Road). Everything else is just a sequence of 20th century speculative vernacular house building projects that could be found anywhere in England. The conservation area is already adequately protected by conservation area rules and needs hardly any further intervention. However, the Lister Estate would be an excellent candidate for a second conservation area, as it has a real character of its own that is at some risk of dilution through careless modification. Conclusion: scrap the local design code, keep regulation of the conservation area largely as it is, and apply to have the Lister Estate designated as a conservation area.	Disagree. A workshop and site based assessments were undertaken to inform the spatial analysis of Wickersley and the creation of character areas. Many parts of Wickersley have character that is defined in the Design Code and which should be taken into account when new development takes place. Designation of new CA's is the responsibility of the Local Planning Authority and not within the remit of the Neighbourhood Plan. The Design Code guidelines will help to retain its character.	No change

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Andrea Ashley (Resident)	GP1 High Quality Design	Support w/ modifications	Further clarification of what is required for a Local Character appraisal. An individual resident shouldn't have the additional burden of employing another professional to carry out the appraisal in the same way that a larger developer should. Should be proportional to the size of the development.	Agree	Guidance added to explain that character appraisals should be commensurate in detail and size of the proposal.
Susan Elston (Resident)	GP1 High Quality Design	Support	It is vital to retain the character of Wickersley	Agree	No change
Savills (on behalf of Warde-Aldam Estate)	GP2 Stonewalls	Support w/ modifications	<p>2.2 It is agreed that existing traditional stone walls are retained, wherever possible, where planning permission is required, as they are a distinguishing feature of Wickersley. However, where some removal is required to facilitate development, this policy should not be a prerequisite to preclude or stifle development.</p> <p>2.3 It is considered fair to request justification for changes to be made to the stone walls to help understand and establish that all reasonable efforts to retain such walls have been considered as part of any planning application. We therefore support the inclusion of justification to be included within the supporting text of the draft Policy, but again, this policy should not be used to prevent development taking place.</p>	We understand and agree with your comment regarding this policy and would like to confirm that this policy is not designed to stifle development or to prevent development taking place.	<p>Policy GP2 will be revised to include statement requesting justification for changes and to establish that all reasonable efforts have to retain such walls have been considered. A note will be added to confirm that this policy does not seek to prevent development.</p> <p>Include encouragement for the repair or reconstruction of walls</p>

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RMBC	GP2 Stonewalls	Support	<p>Please see comments from Sheffield Area Geology Trust (SAGT) below: SAGT support the policy and suggest if goes further “proposals will be supported that salvage old stone from demolished buildings or walls for future heritage, or local character conservation use”. SAGT advise Rotherham Red Sandstone is a local colour variant of a more widely distributed sandstone unit, or bed, called the Mexborough Rock. It forms the distinctive rock exposures at Boston Park and in Canklow Woods. However, Wickersley is located on a different sandstone unit, called the ‘Wickersley Rock’. The same geological process that caused reddening of the Mexborough Rock also caused some reddening of the Wickersley Rock, but only to a limited, localised extent. Some would regard the Wickersley Rock as being more ginger colour than red, and that getting a close match to this rock is a tricky business and it is noted other rocks will weather differently. It is considered “Wickersley Rock” should be mentioned in the explanation text. Please note that SAGT has not investigated the types of stone used to construct various heritage buildings in Wickersley, nor are members of SAGT particularly qualified to do so. The extent to which Rotherham Red Sandstone was used in Wickersley, in preference to Wickersley Rock, has not been determined. However, a lot of structures in and around Rotherham as a whole are constructed from Rotherham Red Sandstone and as its supply is extremely limited it would be beneficial to seek to salvage these old stones. Please contact SAGT for more information email sageologytrust@gmail.com</p> <p>Suggest amend explanation text from ‘the stone used is Rotherham Red Sandstone’ To ‘The traditional building stone in the area is Wickersley Rock and Rotherham Red Sandstone’.</p>	Thank you for this information.	Amendments will be made to include support for proposals that salvage old stone for future works and amendments to supporting text to clarify right type of sandstone.

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John Close (Resident)	GP2 Stonewalls	Support	Some badly eroded walls are in need of urgent repair. Some assistance might be needed.	Noted. The revised policy will encourage repair and restoration of stonewalls.	No change
Bob Walsh (Councillor)	GP2 Stonewalls	Support	Well spotted: these are distinctive local features, highly visible, and well worthy of protection.	Noted	No change
Susan Elston (Resident)	GP2 Stonewalls	Support	Lovely old stone walls in and around Wickersley.	Noted	No change
Carl Bunting (Resident)	GP2 Stonewalls	Support	Definitely during the refurbishment or redevelopment of existing buildings or structures.	Noted	No change
Paul Gascoigne (resident)	GP2 Stonewalls	Support w/ modifications	When practicable	Noted	No change
Paul Pickering (Resident)	GP2 Stonewalls	Support w/ modifications	repairs, re construction and new boundray build should be in matching stone as exist in close or surrounding proximity	Agree	Policy will include encouragement for repairs and reconstruction

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RMBC	GP3 Community Facilities	Support	<p>There is an element of duplication of this policy in comparison to Core Strategy Policy CS29 which protects a range of community facilities, however Policy GP3 does identify locally valued facilities including post office, allotments and gardens, which are not specifically recognised in the Core Strategy policy.</p> <p>It is considered the supporting maps need to be bigger scale; in order to see the exact boundaries of the facilities to be protected. (It is suggested that for facilities E, F, G and H an inset map showing these in more detail maybe helpful).</p> <p>Please be aware that the term "Assets of Community Value" (AVC) has a specific meaning in terms of protection from development when entered on the local authority register of assets of community value under the Localism Act 2011. However, this is a specific and separate process and the title of the map could potentially lead to confusion. The assets identified are not AVCs as per the 2011 Act; consideration could be given to amending the title of the map to avoid confusion.</p>	Noted. Agree with comments on map and map title.	Amended supporting map with new inset magnified section to make clearer. Replace the term 'assets of community value' from map title.
John Close (Resident)	GP3 Community Facilities	Support	They need enhancing - just to cope	Policy GP3 supports the enhancement or expansion of community facilities	No change
Bob Walsh (Councillor)	GP3 Community Facilities	Support	You may want to add the Health Centre to the north of the Bawtry Road to the list.	Health centre is already protected under RMBC policy CS 29.	No change
Keith Slater (Resident)	GP3 Community Facilities	Support w/ modifications	C1 is a nice-to-have, cannot consider it an essential.	The allotments are considered very important for members of the community and are very popular. Winthrop Gardens provides important spaces for socialization.	No change

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Susan Elston (Resident)	GP3 Community Facilities and services	Support	It is very important to protect the existing facilities in the area.	Noted	No change
Carl Bunting (Resident)	GP3 Community Facilities and services	Support	essential these are retained, where possible, to continue to serve the community	Noted	No change
Paul Pickering (Resident)	GP3 Community Facilities and services	Support w/ modifications	For community benefit , both well being and their awareness of Wickersley's heritage, a museum of local history should be established and maintained in an appropriate location within the village (there was a museum in the Christian Institute, which held a good collection of fossils found in local quarries, amongst other exhibits. Probably most of Wickersley inhabitants are not aware of its industrial, and important, past as is demonstrated by the mural painted in the Tanyard subway which potrays a coal mining heritage not stone quarrying which Wickersley was famous for and on what the village grew on	Would be nice but not within the scope of the WNP as not planning policy.	No change
Paul Gascoigne (resident)	GP3 Community Facilities and services	Support w/ modifications	Not sure all those listed are genuinely of benefit to or used by most local residents	Disagree. They are well-used and are highly valued by residents	No change

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Savills (on behalf of Warde-Aldam Estate)	GP4 Locally Listed Buildings	Support w/ modifications	<p>2.4 Our client is the owner of properties (No. 2) 266 Bawtry Road, (No. 3) 280 Bawtry Road and (No. 29) 1 Quarryfield Lane as identified in the draft policy which are proposed to be included as Locally Listed Buildings.</p> <p>2.5 It is noted that these buildings will be subject to policy SP45 of the adopted Rotherham Local Plan. Whilst we appreciate Policy SP45 is not subject to consultation, the supporting text of Policy SP45 does state that an appraisal of the architectural or historic interest of a building, followed by a process of public consultation, should be undertaken before the designation of a new building of merit. We therefore welcome this opportunity to comment on the proposed local listings.</p> <p>2.6 The Rotherham Local Plan states that following criteria will be used for designation of Locally Listed Building's:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Any building or structure which dates from before 1840; 2. Later buildings or structures which are considered to be of definite quality and character, including the work of important architects or builders, both local and national. Particular attention will be paid to buildings which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have important historic associations, in terms of famous people or events; • Illustrate an important aspect of social or economic history or use; • Represent an exceptionally good example of a specific and distinctive architectural style; • Demonstrate excellence in building craftsmanship, use of materials, technical innovation, architectural features and detailing; • Form part of a distinctive and cohesive group of buildings; • Retain its original architectural interest and integrity, and not subject to insensitive alterations; • Have landmark quality or make a unique and positive contribution to the quality of the townscape or an open space <p>2.7 We note that (No. 2) 266 Bawtry Road was built around 1830's and therefore falls within the above criteria.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(continued)</p>		

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Savills (on behalf of Warde-Aldam Estate)	GP4 Locally Listed Buildings	Support w/ modifications	<p>2.8 With regard to (No. 3) 280 Bawtry Road built in the early 19th century. A definitive date has not been given and therefore it is unknown if this falls within criteria 1 set out above. In terms of the building itself, it has now converted to business use. Whilst a three storey building is unusual for Wickersley, it has been subject to many changes such as a replacement roof and replacement windows. As such, we question whether this building should be locally listed and request this to be removed from the list. Further confirmation on this matter would be appreciated.</p> <p>2.9 In terms of (No. 29) 1 Quarryfield Lane, it is acknowledged that this forms part of a row of early 19th century workers cottages, built of sandstone with a Welsh slate roof. It is agreed that these properties have been well maintained and contain their original door and window openings both front and back.</p> <p>2.10 We support that if our client's buildings are included within the Policy that it is vital that the policy takes a practical approach to any future alteration of locally listed buildings to comply with the disability discrimination act 2005 and subsequent amendments.</p>	<p>Agree with comments on DDA 2005 (and future amendments) and practical approach to future alterations.</p> <p>RMBC felt that 280 Bawtry Road was borderline so the WNP agree that it will be removed given this information.</p>	<p>Policy GP4 does include a statement recognising disability discrimination act 2005 and subsequent amendments and that it supports a practical approach to future alterations.</p> <p>280 Bawtry Road has been removed from the list.</p>
Rotherham District Civic Society			<p>Thank you for your email dated 8th December including the link to the Wickersley Parish Council website. We are extremely impressed by the draft Neighbourhood Plan you have produced and the outstanding attention to detail throughout the Plan. We wish to give our full support to the Plan and agree that all the buildings of architectural/historical interest identified should be included in the Parish of Wickersley section of the Rotherham Local Plan</p>	Noted	No change

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JVH Town Planning Consultants (Listerdale Estates)	GP4 Locally Listed Buildings	Object	<p>We object to this Policy on the basis that it seeks to Locally List "Castle House" Bawtry road bringing the building within the ambit of policy SP45 of the Rotherham Local Plan.</p> <p>This Policy will prevent the property owners who are the same family as the original builders from maintaining the property to modern standards and making the occupation of the dwelling as sustainable as possible and involve them in unnecessary applications to the planning authority for minor changes involving delay and unnecessary control. This type of over limitation is not helpful to property owners who live in and maintain such properties and who understand them better than any other parties.</p> <p>Action required to Draft Plan Remove the property from Policy GP4</p>	<p>Castle House was nominated by members of the Steering Group and was assessed by RMBC for its potential inclusion as part of Policy SP45. The assessment determined that the property is worthy of inclusion as part of policy SP45. It is felt that this is the most significant building of historic and architectural interest in Wickersley outside of the Conservation Area. It is possible that without the Wickersley NDP the property might still be added to policy SP45 by RMBC in due course.</p> <p>The WNP Policy GP4 does not seek to 'prevent property owners from maintaining the property to modern standards or from making the property sustainable' as per your comment. The policy seeks to retain and enhance significant local buildings that contribute greatly to the character and fabric of Wickersley. Amendments, alterations, upgrades and maintenance to the property are all still permitted.</p> <p>Local heritage was one of the key themes raised by members of the community and WNP feel the plan should include this policy and this property in the NDP.</p>	None

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RMBC	GP4 Locally Listed Buildings	Support	This policy is welcomed. On P23, 2nd paragraph, where it says "...against the explanatory text and criteria at paragraph 4.254 of the Local Plan..." suggest replacing text 'Local Plan' with 'Sites and Policies document' to provide clarity as to which document is being referenced.	Noted and agreed.	Replace text stating 'Local Plan' with 'Sites and Policies document'.
Paul Bullen (Resident)	GP4 Locally Listed Buildings	Object	<p>I fear this policy would add an extra unnecessary 'layer' of bureaucracy to any planning application . Already we have the need to apply for planning permission for works other than permitted development , and such works are already subject to local scrutiny in the ways set out in the planning legislation , which is as it should be . For properties in a conservation area there are further criteria to fulfil , and for the 'outstanding' buildings we have the Listed Building regime . In other words the local community have ample means to scrutinise , comment on and object to, applications which are out of character with the area . Particularly for those buildings 'caught' by proposed GP5 , local listing I suggest is unnecessary and simply adds time and cost to any development , for both the owner/developer and the relevant authority dealing with the listing administration (and thus , ultimately , the community .</p>	The inclusion as a locally listed building is not overly onerous and merely acts as a material consideration when a development proposal is being considered. The policy acts as guidance of what to take into account when alterations are being proposed taking account of the historical/architectural features of the building. Many of the properties are subject to CA policy in any event and the policy does not remove permitted development rights. The Local List is an attempt to draw attention to the historic character of Wickersley and its many stone buildings. It is not designed to add another layer of bureaucracy.	No change

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Bob Walsh (Councillor)	GP4 Locally Listed Buildings	Support w/ modifications	The list is far too long, consisting of more or less everything that existed in 1901. Most of the buildings are in the conservation area and adequately protected. Remember that the best way to protect a building of interest is to ensure that it has an economic purpose, and that the local planning authority needs a degree of latitude in allowing careful adaptation to achieve this end. A shorter list, consisting of buildings of interest that do not have conservation area protection, would be a better idea.	All the buildings meet the criteria for such designation in para 4.254 of the Rotherham Sites and Policies document based on information provided by Historic England. They are all buildings put forward by the LPA Conservation Officer. However, the list will be reviewed to ensure it is robust.	Remove 280 Bawtry Road from LLB list
Andrea Ashley (Resident)	GP4 Locally Listed Buildings	Object	I do not support additional restrictions being placed on individual's properties, adding increased financial burdens on those individuals. Whilst there should always be respect paid to the local environment within which a property is set, this should be dealt within the normal restrictions of a planning application. Every development should pay respect to the character of the location and not individual properties.	The inclusion as a locally listed building is not overly onerous and merely acts as a material consideration when a development proposal is being considered. The policy acts as guidance of what to take into account when alterations are being proposed taking account of the historical/architectural features of the building. Many of the properties are subject to CA policy in any event and the policy does not remove permitted development rights. The Local List is an attempt to draw attention to the historic character of Wickersley and its many stone buildings. It is not designed to add another layer of bureaucracy	No change

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John Irving (Resident)	GP4 Locally Listed Buildings	Support w/ modifications	Must not be too prescriptive for developments, use rational compromises and not incur vast costs for home holders.	Noted and agreed	No change
Susan Elston (Resident)	GP4 Locally Listed Buildings	Support	Really important to protect our locally listed buildings, therefore retaining the local character.	Noted	No change
Paul Pickering (Resident)	GP4 Locally Listed Buildings	Support	Too many parts of the old and historical village have already been lost entirely or changed beyond all recognition, over many years starting with the original Bawtry road widening scheme of 1912 and subsequent main road developments. Unfortunately it carries on - recent alterations to the frontage of 280 Bawtry Road and the ongoing work to the old Smiths butchers premises also on Bawtry road for example	Noted	No change
Paul Gascoigne (resident)	GP4 Locally Listed Buildings	Support w/ modifications	I support protection of buildings with genuine historic value but far too many on your list have no significant merit. Future improvement of traffic flow on Morthen Road should not be hampered by properties being granted unwarranted listing.	RMBC assessed these properties and feel they meet the criteria required as part of policy SP45	No change

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Savills (on behalf of Warde-Aldam Estate)	GP5 Design & development in the conservation area	Support w/ modifications	<p>2.11 It is noted that new buildings, and extensions and alterations to existing buildings, within or affecting the setting of the Conservation Area, should reflect its distinctive local characteristics. This assertion is supported, however, this policy should not be a mechanism to prevent any future development or stifle development that seeks to adapt buildings for future change of use or modernisation.</p> <p>2.12 In terms of any new build, the policy should not allow pastiche development only. Modern design can actually enhance Conservation Areas and therefore this policy should allow each planning application to be assessed on its own individual merits. As it stands, we object to criteria B within draft Policy GP5.</p> <p>2.13 The key principles of a Conservation Area is about its overall form and the quality of the materials. It should be about quality, not necessarily a particular style. This policy shouldn't simply seek new development be repetitive of the local vernacular and instead seek to improve on what already exists in the area.</p> <p>2.14 This appears to be acknowledged in the Wickersley Design Guide which states that the document does not intend to stifle innovative, creative and contemporary design, nor does it prescribe a duplication of historic design, however, this does not appear to transfer through to the Policy text in Policy GP5 of the Neighbourhood Plan.</p> <p>2.15 As per paragraphs 200 and 201 of the NPPF, we should look for opportunities for new development within Conservation Areas and within the setting of heritage assets, to enhance or better reveal their significance. Proposals that preserve those elements of the setting that make a positive contribution to the asset (or which better reveal its significance) should be treated favourably. However, it is vital to remember that not all elements of a Conservation Area will necessarily contribute to its significance.</p> <p>(continued)</p>		

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Savills (on behalf of Warde-Aldam Estate)	GP5	Support w/ modifications	<p>2.16 Additionally, in terms of criterion d, e and g of the draft policy, the text 'where possible' should be included.</p> <p>2.17 Based on the above comments to draft Policy GP5, it is suggested that the Policy is amended as follows so that it reads: " A) Layout should reflect the traditional building pattern of the conservation area and building heights, scale and massing should respond to and reinforce the character of the conservation area; B) Development must reflect existing architectural detailing in terms of roof forms, use of chimney stacks, coursing and pointing of stonework, the proportions of window openings, joinery profiles and opening pattern of new and replacement windows and doors; C) Use of quality materials, primarily such as natural stone, that reflect the interest of the area and sit harmoniously with the existing building fabric and respect the uniformity in the colour and texture of the built form of the conservation area; D) Retention of existing stone boundary walls, gates, gateposts and railings and incorporation of new means of enclosure in a way which complements those already in existence using similar materials and details where possible; E) Retention of other architecturally or historically interesting features that testify to the evolution of the structures and are of good quality in their own right where possible; F) Where traditional features have been replaced by modern alternatives, the reinstatement of original traditional features should be the presumed aim of conservation; G) Retention of mature trees and vegetation, where possible."</p> <p>2.18 Whilst we fully agree that future development should respond to the distinctive character of Wickersley, it is vital that this policy is not a restriction to future development design evolution which already, by in large, requires considerable consideration due to being located in a Conservation in the first place by the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990.</p>	<p>Neither this policy nor the design code promote or advocate for pastiche development in Wickersley. WNP agrees that modern design can enhance Conservation Areas.</p> <p>This policy is not seeking to prevent future development but is instead seeking to ensure proposals are of high quality and respond to the character of the CA.</p>	<p>WNP agree with your comments on this policy. Your suggested amendments to criteria C, D, E, G will be included in revised policy.</p> <p>Wording of Criteria B will be softened to 'Development is encouraged to take account of existing architectural detailing such as roof forms, coursing and pointing of stonework, the proportions of window openings, joinery profiles and opening pattern of new and replacement windows and doors;'</p> <p>We feel this amendment is more flexible and less prescriptive than before.</p>

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RMBC	GP5 Design & development in the conservation area	Support	This policy is welcomed. It is hoped it will contribute greatly to the aim of preserving and enhancing the character and appearance of Wickersley Conservation Area.	Noted	No change
John Close (Resident)	GP5 Design & development in the conservation area	Support	Again the planners are not always keeping a grip.	RMBC support this policy in the WNP	No change
Bob Walsh (Councillor)	GP5 Design & development in the conservation area	Object	This is entirely superfluous: existing conservation area status provides adequate guidance and protection, and it works well in practice. For example, residents have put a lot of money and effort into ridding their homes of wooden external doors and window frames - an obsolete and shoddy material - and would vehemently oppose their return (conservation is about protecting what exists: reversion to obsolete materials would be restoration, which is an entirely different objective). The conservation areas almost universal door and window frame material is now uPVC, and so it should remain until a future technological innovation improves on it. Note that wooden components are maintenance intensive and prone to dilapidation: the conservation area has looked a lot smarter since uPVC swept them away, and the character of the area has in other respects remained intact. The suggested list of materials is too short: Wickersley sandstone and Maltby brick, both in many cases with cement rendering as waterproofing (particularly on gable ends) are the local wall materials. Since neither is available any more, yellow sandstone, red brick, and cement rendering would be reasonable outer skin materials for walls. Similarly, red clay pantiles and synthetic slate systems are the readily available roofing options that would fit in. The existing conservation area status would more or less guarantee that these options would be the ones used in new buildings and modifications to old ones, so why bother with special rules?	The CA is already subject to policy in the Rotherham Local Plan which requires developments to preserve or enhance its special character or appearance. This policy merely adds guidance at a more local level taking account of the distinctive features of this particular CA and is supported by RMBC.	No change

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Andrea Ashley (Resident)	GP5 Design and development in the Conservation Area	Support w/ modifications	Whilst the character should be retained there are certain specifics that shouldn't be required. Developments should also reflect modern society and progression. For example the inclusion of chimney stacks for the purpose of just looking like the surroundings does not reflect the original purpose of a chimney stack. There should not be stuck on features that does not reflect how the building is used. The features that are retained should reflect modern society. There should also be an acceptance of modern materials if these perform better. It should not just be about what something looks like.	The CA is already subject to policy in the Rotherham Local Plan which requires developments to preserve or enhance its special character or appearance. This policy merely adds guidance at a more local level taking account of the distinctive features of this particular CA and is supported by RMBC	No change
John Irving (Resident)	GP5 Design and development in the Conservation Area	Support w/ modifications	Must not be too prescriptive for developments, use rational compromises and not incur vast costs for home holders. Pub/ Restaurant, leisure and entertainment usages should not be allowed in Conservation Area. No expansion of such venues adjoining Conservation Area.	WNP feel this policy strikes the right balance	No change
Susan Elston (Resident)	GP5 Design and development in the Conservation Area	Support	Again, we must strive to to retain the local character.	Noted	No change
Paul Pickering (Resident)	GP5 Design and development in the Conservation Area	Support	A prime example of this policy's use would have been to stop or re design the red brick, 4 storey shop and flat development built immediately adjacent to 258 Bawtry Road, a stone built 2 storey historical cottage which you are adding to the list of Locally Listed Buildings	Noted	No change

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Paul Gascoigne (resident)	GP5 Design and development in the Conservation Area	Support w/ modifications	Again - future improvement of traffic flow on Morthen Road should not be hampered by properties being granted unwarranted protection	WNP and many residents feel the protection given to buildings and the character of the Conservation Area is warranted	No change
Savills (on behalf of Warde-Aldam Estate)	H1 Housing Mix	Object	<p>As per our comments to the Vision of the draft Neighbourhood Plan, it is vital that the Plan does not create a barrier to new development and that, for a community to remain thriving, 'new blood' is allowed to be welcomed into the area via new development.</p> <p>3.2 It is therefore important that new housing should be available for existing and future residents and this is acknowledged in Chapter 3 'Housing' of the consultation document which confirms that Wickersley has an ageing population and it is important to provide homes that are able to meet a variety of needs both now and in the future.</p> <p>Policy H1: House Type and Mix</p> <p>3.3 It is acknowledged and supported, in principle, that new housing developments of 10 or more dwellings will be required to provide a mix of house types and sizes to meet the needs of the local community.</p> <p>3.4 Whilst we support the above statement, in principle, we do not support that proposals should include, as a minimum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30% of dwellings to be no more than 2 bedrooms • 30% of dwellings to be 3 bedrooms <p>3.5 It is important that each site/planning application should be considered on its own individual merits, at the time of its submission and, as part of the application process should be assessed by an up to date housing needs survey which is prepared by the Local Planning Authority.</p> <p>3.6 This Neighbourhood Plan is to cover the period up to 2028 and, as such, the housing need for Wickersley is likely to change over this period of time. Therefore stipulating in the policy that for all development of 10 units or more the housing mix should include 30% of dwellings to be no more than 2 bedrooms and 30% of dwellings to be 3 bedrooms is likely to be come out of date over the next 7 years....(Continued)</p>		

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Savills (on behalf of Warde-Aldam Estate)	H1 Housing Mix	Object	<p>3.7 Whilst the supporting Wickersley Parish Council Housing Needs Assessment (HNA) is helpful as a snapshot in time, if not updated regularly, it will become out of date. This could lead to development being restricted to include a housing mix that does not follow market demand or meet needs of the area over the full plan period.</p> <p>3.8 We therefore propose that the two bullet points currently drafted in the policy should be removed / deleted and that they should be replaced with policy text that requires proposals to comply with up to date housing needs surveys at the time of submitting a planning application. Such surveys can include the Rotherham Strategic Housing Market Assessments and any up to date Wickersley Parish Council Housing Needs Assessment (HNA) subject to viability.</p> <p>3.9 Whilst we note that the draft policy text currently states that for proposals that do not meet these minimum requirements, applications will be expected to demonstrate why an alternative mix is considered appropriate and should be supported by up to date housing market evidence and a viability assessment, it is considered the policy as it stands, with the inclusion of the two bullet points, is overly onerous.</p> <p>3.10 In short, the housing mix should be set by up to date evidence instead of a pre-determined quota. Housing need in terms of mix is subject to change. It is vital for housing sites to not only be viable but suitable based on up to date evidential need rather than being restricted to policy set out at a particular point in time in the Neighbourhood Plan that will cover up to 2028.</p>	<p>WNP agrees with the need to ensure housing meets current and future needs and that the HNA may become out of date and no longer an appropriate evidence base on which to form policy in several years' time, depending on circumstances. The policy is geared towards securing smaller house types that have recently been under-provided in favour of larger housing. Smaller house types are aimed at first time buyers, young families, couples and those wishing to down size.</p> <p>At present the current mix proposed provides reasonable scope for new developments to include a variety of larger house sizes in the remaining 40% of the housing mix. We do not feel this policy is overly onerous and it is supported by RMBC.</p> <p>The policy does state that alternative mix will be acceptable – should this mix be demonstrated by up to date housing assessments. If in the near future the housing market and local demand has changed meaning alternative housing mix is more appropriate than that stated in the WNP housing mix policy, then providing it is evidenced with up to date evidence the policy will support that mix.</p>	No change

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RMBC	H1 Housing Mix	Support w/ modifications	The evidence for the housing policies is derived from the 2015 Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA), however that has now been superseded by the 2019 SHMA. It will need to be demonstrated that the evidence the Neighbourhood Plan housing policies are relying on is up to date. This will include that its policies are supported by the latest SHMA. (NB the most recent SHMA is available on our website at: https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/downloads/file/825/strategic-housing-market-assessment).	Thank you for this.	Update information and reference latest SHMA
John Close (Resident)	H1 Housing Mix	Support	Absolutely ignored in the latest approvals in the village. A disgrace. Local people are infuriated, frustrated and in some cases heartbroken at what is happening..	WNP understand, this is why this policy is important moving forward	No change
Bob Walsh (Councillor)	H1 Housing Mix	Support w/ modifications	This is well intended, and its social benefits are obvious; but it is likely to prove infeasible as proposed. The problem is that the development land is mostly in South Wickersley, where land values are (by Rotherham standards) very high. This would make small houses with gardens uneconomic (people wanting small houses would be unwilling to pay the asking prices). Local developers have had successes with high density, high quality apartment developments, and these are probably the only economically viable way of developing small housing units in Wickersley. The social objectives could probably be achieved by means of a combination of detached houses and similar-sized high quality apartment blocks - not necessarily next door to each other, but potentially so.	WNP policy H1 does not preclude your suggested type of development. There is also scope within the policy to provide an alternative mix of housing should it be demonstrated that the proposed mix in H1 is not viable.	No change

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Jennifer Scott (Resident)	H1 Housing Mix	Support w/ modifications	There seem to be far too many very large homes being built on the South side of Wickersley. I think more 2 or 3 bedroom homes, built to a high standard are required.	The WNP agrees and H1 does encourage a higher proportion of smaller house types.	No change
John Irving (Resident)	H1 Housing Mix	Support w/ modifications	Discourage new developments down Morthen Road and its adjacent areas. Already road too busy, noisy and polluting.	This approach was not supported by the Highway Authority when the developments off Second Lane were allocated in the Rotherham Local Plan.	No change
Susan Elston (Resident)	H1 Housing Mix	Support w/ modifications	More bungalows are needed, with small gardens. This would be ideal. Far too many new houses being built, taking up essential green spaces necessary for good mental health.	Bungalows can be provided in the mix contained in this policy	No change
Paul Pickering (Resident)	H1 Housing Mix	Support w/ modifications	I was shocked to see how little 'affordable housing' has been built in Wickersley. My children born and bred in the village had to find property to live in on outlying areas because they could not afford any of the housing stock, new or old, at the time. There is no mention in the policy for the future care of the elderly inhabitants of Wickersley and as far as i am aware there are no care home or similar facilities in the area	This policy will help to secure more smaller properties which are more affordable compared to larger ones. There is a community aspiration for specialist housing for older people. RMBC were not prepared to accept a separate policy on affordable housing above the current threshold as it would be difficult to implement in Wickersley but not in surrounding areas.	No change
Jason Monaghan (Resident)	H1 Housing Mix	Object	We should resist the creation of yet more housing	The WNP is unable to do this	No change
Sonia Mangham (Resident)	H1 Housing Mix	Object	There are already smaller dwellings behind the tanyard for older persons to downsize.	This is a single development for older people built many years ago and is not sufficient to cater for the ageing population of Wickersley	No change

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Suzan Otter (resident)	H1 Housing Mix	Support w/ modifications	More homes for down sizing older people and people with disabilities, freeing up larger family homes. Ideally more bungalows in the 2 bed mix.	This policy seeks to provide smaller homes and bungalows can be included in this	No change
Savills (Warde-Aldam Estate)	H2 Building for a Healthy Life & Lifetime Homes	Object	<p>3.11 It is not considered appropriate for plan-making bodies set minimum requirements for accessible housing. As such, we strongly object to this policy.</p> <p>3.12 Where an identified need exists, plans are expected to make use of the optional technical housing standards (footnote 46 of the NPPF) to help bring forward an adequate supply of accessible housing. In doing so planning policies for housing can set out the proportion of new housing that will be delivered to the following standards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M4(1) Category 1: Visitable dwellings (the minimum standard that applies where no planning condition is given unless a plan sets a higher minimum requirement) • M4(2) Category 2: Accessible and adaptable dwellings • M4(3) Category 3: Wheelchair user dwellings <p>3.13 Planning policies for accessible housing need to be based on evidence of need, viability and a consideration of site specific factors.</p> <p>3.14 Paragraph: 008 Reference ID: 56-008-20160519 of the PPG goes on to say that policy to provide enhanced accessibility or adaptability should do so “only by reference to Requirement M4(2) and/or M4(3) of the optional requirements in the Building Regulations and should not impose any additional information requirements (for instance provision of furnished layouts) or seek to determine compliance with these requirements, which is the role of the Building Control Body”.</p> <p>3.15 This is reiterated in the PPG which states at paragraph 001 Reference ID: 56-001-20150327 that “The government has created a new approach for the setting of technical standards for new housing. This rationalises the many differing existing standards into a simpler, streamlined system which will reduce burdens and help bring forward much needed new homes. The government set out its policy on the application of these standards in decision taking and plan making in a written ministerial statement, which also withdraws the Code for Sustainable Homes aside from legacy cases”.</p> <p>(continued)</p>		

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Savills (Warde-Aldam Estate)	H2 Building for a Healthy Life & Lifetime Homes	Object	<p>3.16 As part of the Housing Standards Review (2013), the government suggested that the large number of competing standards can be confusing, and that “standards are all drawn from documents produced by non- Governmental groups who perceive that current national guidance, policy or regulation is deficient in some respect, and needs to be supplemented. They are rarely subject to cost benefit analysis when they are developed, unlike government guidance or regulation”.</p> <p>3.17 As a consequence, the Code for Sustainable homes can no longer be a requirement of planning conditions, and where a policy is proposed to provide enhanced accessibility or adaptability they should do so only by reference to Requirement M4(2) and / or M4(3) of the optional requirements in the Building Regulations.</p>	Policy H2 will be amended to reflect the points raised in this comment in relation to Lifetime Homes Standards	The Policy will be weakened and instead will ‘strongly support schemes that include a portion of properties that are built to Lifetime Homes Standards.’ Several made Neighbourhood Plans include this type of encouragement policy so it is considered appropriate and justified to retain a weakened version of this policy in the WNP.
RMBC	H2 - Building for a Healthy Life and Lifetime Homes	Support	Please see P30, first column, and last paragraph; reference is made to the 2015 SHMA which has now been updated by the 2019 version, this paragraph should be checked for accuracy and updated or deleted if necessary. (NB the most recent SHMA is available on our website at: https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/downloads/file/825/strategic-housing-market-assessment).	Noted.	Update supporting text and evidence from 2019 SHMA.
Paul Bullen (Resident)	H2 - Building for a Healthy Life and Lifetime Homes	Support w/ modifications	Again -the entirely laudable aim of the policy has to be balanced with the financial ‘penalty’ that over rigorous application of the policy would bring to owners/developers .-	Whilst not a requirement these are optional technical standards and are not considered overly onerous.	Policy H2 will be weakened to encourage properties to be built to Lifetime Homes standards rather than require them.

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Susan Elston (Resident)	H2 Building for Life & Lifetime Homes	Support	Our aging population must always be considered.	Noted	No change
Carl Bunting (Resident)	H2 Building for Life & Lifetime Homes	Support w/ modifications	Think the percentage should be 50% - In schemes of 10 or more dwellings 25% of dwellings should be built to Lifetime Homes standards.	Unfortunately the WNP has had to soften this policy as we are not permitted to require development to be built to optional standards	Policy to be softened to encourage homes to be built to these standards
Paul Pickering (Resident)	H2 Building for Life & Lifetime Homes	Support	Especially regarding parking as a lot of narrower pavements in Wickersley are being obstructed by parked vehicles forcing pedestrians onto the road and with no thought or care for the disabled	Noted	No change
Jason Monaghan (Resident)	H2 Building for Life & Lifetime Homes	Support w/ modifications	be aware of the concept of 'walkability', in that if housing is built more than 5-10 minutes walk from the shops and amenities, people will drive instead of walk which has knock-on effects on areas such as the Tanyard	Walkability is part of BHL assessments	No change
RMBC	H3 – Sustainable Homes & Renewable Energy	Support	It is considered Policy H3 replicates Local Plan policy to some extent but does provide some extra local detail.	Noted	No change
Bob Walsh (Councillor)	H3 – Sustainable Homes & Renewable Energy	Support	Note that this requires the use of modern materials and construction methods. Wooden doors and window frames would be incompatible.	Not technically true. Modern timber frames and doors can perform as well as upvc in terms of thermal efficiency providing they both use double glazing. Whilst it is true timber may require slightly more maintenance but timber is a sustainable material and upvc is not due to the high level of production and low rate of recycling.	No change

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Andrea Ashley (Resident)	H3 Sustainable Homes & renewables	Support w/ modifications	Additional requirements should include information on embodied carbon of the developments over a certain size. Whilst this information is not generally included in development proposals there should be a push for this requirement so that the industry begins to respond fully to the climate crisis.	Unsure this should be addressed in the WNP but understand your point	No change
Susan Elston (Resident)	H3 Sustainable homes & renewables	Support	It is becoming increasingly important for all of us to recognise the importance of energy efficiency.	Noted	No change
Savills (Warde-Aldam Estate)	GS1 Biodiversity & Green Infrastructure		<p>4.1 It is agreed that Green spaces, the natural environment and green infrastructure are highly valued natural resources in Wickersley.</p> <p>4.2 Area C – 'Wickersley Wood' and Area D – 'Kings pond plantation' are both solely owned by our client. These are identified Local Wildlife Sites. Our client also own some land within the Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridors to the west of the parish.</p> <p>4.3 Whilst we support the primary objective to connect or reconnect areas of green infrastructure to enable wildlife to move more freely, we do have some concerns over creating a series of interlinked spaces which can be enjoyed by residents and visitors alike. The Estate land is managed land and therefore it is vital that there is no trespass on land where access is not supported.</p> <p>4.4 We therefore support the supporting text that states that designated sites are not necessarily accessible to the public and, if in any doubt, the landowner should be identified and permission for access sought.</p>	Noted.	No change

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RMBC	GS1 Biodiversity & Green Infrastructure	Support w/ modifications	<p>It is considered that this policy repeats in part strategic policies in the Local Plan Regarding GS1 Bullet B (concerning its measures 'not severing existing green infrastructure networks'), this could be strengthened by referencing the policy to the 'networks' being shown in Figure 9. Consider expanding the content of Figure 9 to include more green space assets (such as Urban Green Space, Regionally Important Geological Sites, allotments, sports pitches etc). Consideration could be given to showing 'locally important Green Infrastructure Assets, Linkages and Networks' shown on a map, supported in the policy.</p> <p>Consideration could be given to ensuring that pitches/allotment opportunities are available to meet demand. Regarding Criterion D, what is the justification / evidence for replacing trees at the ratio suggested? In the absence of any justification then the requirement should be deleted.</p> <p>The boundaries and names of the Local Wildlife Sites (LWS) are not all correct as shown in Figure 9 when compared with Council records. To assist the Parish Council a JPEG of a map showing the boundaries of the LWS, LWS names and specific reference numbers is shown below. The LWS reference numbers could be used in the Neighbourhood Plan for further clarity on identifying LWS.</p>	<p>Noted. Thank you for these additional suggestions and for the map of LWS boundaries.</p> <p>Evidence will be provided to support criterion D.</p>	<p>Policy and map to be updated in line with RMBC suggestions.</p> <p>Policy widened to include other 'networks' shown in figure 9 such as urban green space, allotments and sports pitches.</p> <p>Evidence provided to support criterion D (replacement tree planting ratio)</p>

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John Close (Resident)	GS1 Biodiversity & Green Infrastructure	Support	As previous comments ... Absolutely ignored in the latest approvals in the village. A disgrace. Local people are infuriated, frustrated and in some cases heartbroken at what is happening	Noted	No change
Susan Elston (Resident)	GS1 Biodiversity & Green Infrastructure	Support w/ modifications	It is vital to retain trees and green spaces, not only for our mental health, but also to protect the birds, bats and squirrels that live in the locality. Too many have already been destroyed.	Trees and green spaces are covered in this policy which aims to protect them	No change
Paul Pickering (Resident)	GS1 Biodiversity & Green Infrastructure	Support w/ modifications	Tighter controls over desires to build in gardens and requests to divert footpaths and right of ways especially in green spaces	Some development in gardens is permitted development.	No change
JVH Town Planning Consultants (Listerdale Estates)	GS1 Biodiversity & Green Infrastructure	Object	<p>We object to this map and policy. We object to the identification of the strategic green infrastrucure corridor. The Notation of the Plan shows this covering a large area of the existing built up area north of the Bawtry Road. This includes allocated Housing Site H 58 in the Adopted Local Plan. We cannot understand how this will work. The Policy as drafted will severely limit the development of the allocated housing site and work against the objective of the Local Plan to deliver new homes on the allocated sites. Site H58 is guided by clear development guidelines on page 281 of the Adopted Local Plan, these include safeguards to the adjacent local wildlife sites, trees and geodiversity. The adding of another unnecessary layer of policy in the NP is not acceptable. The development of the site is adequately dealt with in the Local Plan, which was examined and justified.</p> <p>Action Required to Draft Plan - Remove the Strategic Green infrastructure Notation from over this allocated Housing Site</p> <p>The shape of the green areas do not even form corridors but are large tracts of land that are not corridor in shape or have any resemblance to corridors.</p>	Local Wildlife Sites & Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridors are not designated by the WNP. These are longstanding and pre-existing designations and are referred to and are included in this policy to assist developers in understanding the location of and potential impact on Local Wildlife Sites and the Thrybergh Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor that development may have upon them. (continued)	No change

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JVH Town Planning Consultants (Listerdale Estates)	GS1 Biodiversity & Green Infrastructure	Object		<p>RMBC recognise these designations as shown on their interactive policies map and in Core Strategy policy CS19 (pages 119-120). More information about Green Infrastructure Corridors can be found in the 2011 South Yorkshire Green Infrastructure Strategy or from Natural England.</p> <p>WNP Policy GS1 does not limit or stop the development of the allocated H58 site. It encourages all development in this area to be done in a way that will contribute to the objectives and character of the Thrybergh Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor – in line with RMBC policy CS19. The Thrybergh Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor is a designation that stretches from Hooton Roberts in the north, to Whiston in the south and whilst primarily covering green or open spaces it does include some developed land. The purposes of a green infrastructure corridor is to mitigate the negative effects of the built environment and to help support and encourage wildlife movement and geodiversity.</p> <p>Map 9 ‘Strategic and Local Green Infrastructure Corridors’ and Map 10 ‘Extract from South Yorkshire Green Infrastructure Strategy’ highlights this area which is on page 119 and page 120 of the Core Strategy Adopted September 2014.</p> <p>Excerpt from RMBC Core Strategy Policy CS19 Thrybergh Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridor - Of District importance, stretches from east of Rotherham town centre out across the urban fringe into countryside. Opportunities for enhancement exist in the urban and urban fringe locations of this corridor.</p> <p>Green infrastructure is an integral part of new development and the identification and conservation of Green Infrastructure will be integral to achieving a high quality and sustainable environment. Conserving and enhancing Green Infrastructure provision will contribute to improving the conditions in which people live, work and take leisure. Green Infrastructure Strategies will provide the framework for targeted action.</p> <p>In partnership with Natural England (through the Yorkshire & Humber Green Infrastructure Mapping Project 2010) a strategic network of existing and potential Green Infrastructure has been identified at the regional scale. This has provided a useful evidence base for the above policy and a strategic context for the development of further sub regional and local Green Infrastructure planning. (continued)</p>	

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JVH Town Planning Consultants (Listerdale Estates)	GS1 Biodiversity & Green Infrastructure	Object		<p>Map 9 ‘Strategic and Local Green Infrastructure Corridors ‘ shows in broad terms the borough’s Strategic and Local Green Infrastructure Corridors, which are summarised below in Table 9 ‘Strategic and Local Green Infrastructure Corridors’. This Map sets the context for the application of Policy CS19 and more detailed development management policy set out in greater detail in the Sites and Policies document.</p> <p>The Strategic Corridors are those identified to be of importance through the Yorkshire & Humber Green Infrastructure Mapping Project 2010. Detailed descriptions for each of the Strategic Corridors, explaining the main features and functions, indicators and identified key opportunities are available from Natural England.</p> <p>The Strategic Corridors are those identified to be of importance through the Yorkshire & Humber Green Infrastructure Mapping Project 2010. Detailed descriptions for each of the Strategic Corridors, explaining the main features and functions, indicators and identified key opportunities are available from Natural England.</p> <p>The Yorkshire & Humber Green Infrastructure Mapping Project 2010 was subsequently used to inform development of the South Yorkshire Green Infrastructure Strategy. This was produced by the South Yorkshire Forest Partnership for the South Yorkshire sub region in collaboration with Barnsley, Doncaster, Rotherham and Sheffield local planning authorities, Natural England and the Sheffield City Region. This sub-regional strategy provides an appraisal of existing green assets in the South Yorkshire sub region and an analysis of the potential broad locations for growth with identification of opportunities for Green Infrastructure. Map 10 ‘Extract from South Yorkshire Green Infrastructure Strategy’ illustrates Rotherham’s contribution to this Strategy. The full South Yorkshire Green Infrastructure Strategy and Master Plan is available from South Yorkshire Forest.</p> <p>The approach of the South Yorkshire Green Infrastructure Strategy is to focus on improvements that will deliver benefits across the four local authority districts, rather than solely local impacts. Potential linkages between regional, sub-regional, district and local corridors should be recognised in the development of specific proposals. The Strategy envisages a vital productive and attractive green infrastructure network which has the capacity and strength to link South Yorkshire’s communities, supporting sustainable change within a resilient and biodiverse ecological network while helping to deliver social cohesion.</p> <p>Green Infrastructure must be designed as an integral part of new development to create a safe and accessible environment that softens the impact of development on the landscape, provides linkages between assets and other facilities (such as schools and residential areas), buffering and protecting sensitive sites (including SSSIs) and addressing deficiencies in the network. There may be opportunities to retrofit Green Infrastructure in urban environments.</p>	No change

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RMBC	GS2 Local Green Spaces	Object	<p>Recommendation: delete proposed designations as Local Green Space</p> <p>The NPPF (S100) gives criteria for the Local Green Space designation. This says the designation should only be used where the green space is: demonstrably special to a local community and holds a particular local significance (NPPF S100b). It is considered that the proposed areas in the Neighbourhood Plan have not been sufficiently justified as being special and significant to the community.</p> <p>Practice Guidance states that consideration should be given to whether any additional local benefit would be gained by designation as Local Green Space. (Paragraph: 010 Reference ID: 37-010-20140306). It is not considered that there is any evidence of any demonstrable additional benefit or additional protection in policy terms stemming from designation as Local Green Space.</p> <p>The proposed Local Green Space designations are not supported. These sites proposed already receive policy protection as either as Green Belt or Urban Green Space and in the absence of robust justification that: they are demonstrably special to a local community, hold a particular local significance and the designation would offer additional local benefit then it is recommended the policy and supporting text is deleted.</p> <p>Should the Parish Council however decide that the policy and the proposed Local Green Space allocations are to remain in the Neighbourhood Plan then Figure 9 numbering needs amendment. Please note there are two figures labelled Figure 9 in the Neighbourhood Plan and the content of these two Figure 9, may be considered together in terms of green infrastructure.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Evidence will be provided that shows these sites are demonstrably special to the local community.</p>	Amend replication of figure 9. Include evidence that LGS sites are demonstrably special.

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John Close (Resident)	GS2 Local Green Spaces	Support	Only if managed and protected.	2 of the proposed LGS are owned and managed by Wickersley Parish Council, the third by Wickersley Academy. The purpose of this designation is to protect them so that they can continue to provide vital green spaces to the community	No Change
Bob Walsh (Councillor)	GS2 Local Green Spaces	Support	These are greatly appreciated by local people, and maintaining them is one of the things the Parish Council does best.	This comment will be used in the evidence base to justify the inclusion of Wickersley Park and Bob Mason Recreation Ground	No Change
Susan Elston (Resident)	GS2 Local Green Spaces	Support w/ modifications	Local green spaces must be protected - see above. During the present pandemic it has been shown that outdoor green spaces have had a hugely beneficial effect on people.	Noted	No change
Carl Bunting (Resident)	GS2 Local Green Spaces	Support	Should include more Green Spaces	These are the key spaces that we feel meet the LGS designation criteria. Other green spaces are already protected under different RMBC policy	No change

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Paul Pickering (Resident)	GS2 Local Green Spaces	Support w/ modifications	Regardless of size and location i.e. space in front of 280 Bawtry road and corner of Morthen Road adjacent to Sycamore farm house	Size and location are factors in designated LGS. We are aware of the green space you mention but we do not feel it would meet the criteria for designation	No change
Paul Gascoigne (resident)	GS2 Local Green Spaces	Support w/ modifications	Supported in principle but more thought needs to be undertaken as to how car parking at these sites can be improved. Alternatively car traffic/parking needs to be restricted.	It is considered more sustainable to encourage walking and cycling. There is limited parking at both the park and Bob Mason Groundv	No change
RMBC	M1 Pedestrian and cycle connections	Support	The mention of provision of EV charging points is supported. Guidance on what this provision should involve is provided in the adopted Air Quality and Emissions SPD (available online at https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/downloads/file/1783/spd2-air-quality-emissions-june-2020-) This provision will also be reflected in the Transport Assessments, Travel Plans and Parking Standards SPD which the Council has consulted on and which it is expected will be adopted later in 2021. It is also the intention that the Core Strategy Partial Update will also include new policy on EV charging provision.	Noted	Include reference to latest RMBC SPDs.
John Close (Resident)	M1 Pedestrian and cycle connections	Support	Morthen Road is a potential deathtrap.	Noted. The WNP is limited in terms of policies and proposals relating to highways.	No change
John Irving (Resident)	M1 Pedestrian and cycle connections	Support w/ modifications	Need to reduce speed of traffic on Bawtry Road and volume of traffic / speed on Morthen Rd.	Not possible to address through WNP	No change

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Susan Elston (Resident)	M1 Pedestrian and cycle connections	Support w/ modifications	It is important for the elderly residents in the area to have good pedestrian connections. I see very few cyclists in and around the centre of Wickersley.	Noted	No change
Paul Gascoigne (resident)	M1 Pedestrian and cycle connections	Support w/ modifications	Supported in principle but pedestrian/cyclist cut-throughs should be kept to a minimum. These rat runs encourage and promote anti-social behaviour.	Disagree. If designed and overlooked these can be safe. It is important to encourage pedestrian and cycle connections	No change
RMBC	M2 Parking Solutions	Support w/ modifications	Also acceptable are the reference to: EV charging points and compliance with the Councils parking standards (which are minimum requirements for new residential properties). Please provide justification and evidence to support criterion C . It is considered in the absence of robust justification that the criterion should be deleted. The specific dimensions for parking spaces are slightly larger than the Council would ask for normally.	Noted.	Evidence and justifications added
Michael Warner (Resident)	M2 Parking Solutions	Support w/ modifications	The proposal addresses future build requirements but does not address the current situation. Parking was highlighted as a current major concern in the survey and will only get worse as the population and facilities of Wickersley grow. This was highlighted as more important issue than cycle lanes	The WNP is limited in terms of its scope under and there is no identifiable way to address this in the NDP.	No change
Susan Elston (Resident)	M2 Parking Solutions	Support	Parking is becoming increasingly troublesome in the area, particularly on the Tanyard. Any future homebuilding must provide off-street parking. Roads are becoming more and more busy, which will only worsen when the huge, new housing developments are built.	Noted	No change

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Paul Pickering (Resident)	M2 Parking solutions	Support	Parking is an increasing problem in the area especially old village centre and immediate surrounding area, constantly have cars parked blocking my drive during Monday to Friday	Noted.	No change
RMBC	VC1 Drinking establishments	Support	<p>Page 41, second column, first paragraph needs updating. The clarification of the changes to the Use Classes Order is welcome, however the reference to Policy SP20 needs amending as it currently reads as though the whole policy will no longer have any effect. For clarity, the Council's view is that it is only criterion a. relating to control of percentage of shops which cannot be implemented given the recent changes to the Use Classes Order. The restrictions in the policy around the types of acceptable uses and the other criteria remain operable, but at present basing decisions on percentages of shops is not possible given the wide range of changes which can be undertaken within Use Class E without requiring planning permission. The evidence referred to in the first paragraph of page 43 is acceptable for justifying the 5% limit in the policy. It might be helpful to include the survey details on which this is based as part of the evidence base with the Neighbourhood Plan in order to be robust. Consideration could be given to increasing this 5% limit percentage to provide a degree of flexibility. Regarding P43 in the first paragraph, this section seems to be referring to the data included at appendix 9.5, if so then reference should be added in the paragraph to cross reference to this appendix. Regarding P43 in the last paragraph, it is suggested this paragraph is reworded in the light of comments above. Policy SP20 still prevents drinking establishments within the primary frontage, It is not considered that it is correct to say that 'much' of Policy SP20 is no longer applicable it is only criterion a. which is no longer operable.</p>	Noted. Thank you for bringing this to our attention.	<p>Wording updated to reflect changes to Use Class Orders and its effect on SP 20 criterion A.</p> <p>Reference to appendix added</p>

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Savills (Warde-Aldam Estate)	VC1 Drinking establishments		<p>5.1 We acknowledge and agree that the District Centre is regarded as a key asset and primary attraction in Wickersley. In addition to providing facilities and amenities, one of the most valued things about the District Centre is the opportunities it provides for social interaction with others, particularly pre and post the current COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>5.2 Policy VC1 states that drinking establishments or mixed uses including drinking establishments will only be permitted within the defined District Centre boundaries where they would not result in more than 5% of the total number of units being used for that purpose.</p> <p>5.3 Whilst it is acknowledged that there is a community preference to reduce or manage the number of drinking establishments, it is considered that this policy is reviewed 'post pandemic' to fully understanding the post pandemic position on such establishments following the national and local lockdowns which have taken place due to COVID 19.</p> <p>5.4 A review of this position later in the year is considered necessary to fully understand what the longer term impacts the pandemic has had on the hospitality and leisure sector. Economic support for this sector is likely to be heavily needed and we could, unfortunately, see a loss of some establishments in the area due to the repercussions of the pandemic.</p> <p>5.5 A review will help understand the position better later in the year before imposing a more restrictive policy in the Plan that could potentially not be needed.</p>	WNP agrees with the need to review this policy regularly to better understand any impact on the leisure and hospitality sector. Despite the current Covid-19 pandemic and subsequent impact on the hospitality sector there does however continue to be applications for change of use to licenced premises in Wickersley.	Agree to review policy annually

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John Close (Resident)	VC1 drinking establishments	Support	Wickersley has become the nightlife hub oof a wide area of South Yorkshire, attracting late night revellers and anti- social behaviour. Please curb it!	Noted	No change
Bob Walsh (Councillor)	VC1 drinking establishments	Object	This policy has the effect of confusing liquor licensing with planning. These matters are regulated by entirely separate legislation, such that neither is a material consideration in the regulation of the other. The matter of drinking establishments should therefore be left in the liquor licensing domain, where it rightly belongs. The frequent mention of liquor licensing in the proposals is a matter of great concern, as it should have been entirely absent. Be aware that excessive restrictions on uses will only produce void units: refusing new use classes will not make old ones economically viable again. Also note that the age skew in the public opinion survey has probably produced a false impression of what local people want: before the Covid-19 pandemic, all the practical evidence pointed to drinking establishments being popular.	This issue is best tackled through both planning and licensing policy given shared objectives with regard to public nuisance, crime and anti-social behavior. The NP does not propose restrictions on any other uses and hence this policy alone should not result in increased void units.	No change
Andrea Ashley (Resident)	VC1 drinking establishments	Support w/ modifications,	Giving an exact figure of 5% may not result in the objectives. Establishments are of different sizes. Whilst Wickersley is vibrant then the restrictions seem reasonable. However, if investment is required in the centre, it seems arbitrary that restrictions should be imposed based on 5%.	5% figure is based on the current number of drinking establishments which has been assessed as being the maximum number that Wickersley can support based on evidence in the CIZ policy. If circumstances change in the future then the NP policy can be re-assessed and revised.	No change

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Jennifer Scott (Resident)	VC1 drinking establishments	Support	There are quite enough drinking establishments in Wickersley already.	Noted	No change
John Irving (Resident)	VC1 drinking establishments	Support	This should be a priority and ensure no expansion into Conservation Area or adjacent to them. No outdoor drinking in or around Conservation Area.	Noted. This policy is relevant to the District Centre only.	No change
Susan Elston (Resident)	VC1 drinking establishments	Support	We have more than enough drinking establishments in the area. People come from miles around to use them, bringing the obvious difficulties. No more, please.	Noted	No change
Carl Bunting (Resident)	VC1 drinking establishments	Object	Restricting drinking establishments is not the answer, policing them better and having a police presence will curb the anti-social behaviour listed	This issue will not be addressed through policing alone given pressure on police resources. The issue needs a comprehensive approach involving planning, licensing and policing.	No change
Paul Pickering (Resident)	VC1 drinking establishments	Support	Have gotten used to a less noise at night time during the last year due to lock downs and restrictions	Noted	No change
Paul Gascoigne (resident)	VC1 drinking establishments	Support	Fully supported. Late night restaurants and bars have been allowed to grow to an unacceptable level “ to the detriment of local residents	Noted	No change

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RMBC	VC2 – Well Designed Shop Frontages	Support	Consideration could be given to specifically mentioning the Supplementary Planning Document No. 6 Shop Front Design Guide available at https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/downloads/file/1787/spd6-shop-front-design-guide-june-2020-	Noted.	Reference to be added and link to SPD no.6 Shop Front Design Guide
Bob Walsh (Councillor)	VC2 – Well Designed Shop Frontages	Support w/ modifications,	This is a good idea if applied to old (say pre-1920) buildings, but absurd in the context of the Tanyard - a bargain-basement 1960s structure of almost no architectural merit (though it is of course of great commercial utility).	The policy will help improve the appearance of the Tanyard	No change
Jennifer Scott (Resident)	VC2 Shop frontages	Support	We need a greater variety of local shops.	The WNP cannot unfortunately do much about this	No change
Susan Elston (Resident)	VC2 Shop frontages	Support	All shop frontages should be well designed, tasteful and well maintained to retain the up-market and characterful appearance of the locality.	Noted	No change
Paul Pickering (Resident)	VC2 Shop frontages	Support	Again all resorts back to kerb appeal and for a pleasant and appealing appearance for inhabitants, visitors and anyone passing through the village	Noted	No change
Anne Crofts (resident)	VC2 Shop frontages	Support	“Top Cutz” barbers very inappropriate sign . Not tasteful. Very loud and brash	Agree there are several poorly designed shop frontages in the village	No change

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Savills (Warde-Aldam Estate)	Design Code		6.1 The Wickersley Design Code incorporates principles set out in South Yorkshire Design Guidance but with more fine grain detail and local responsiveness to character and place. It also includes specific guidance for the conservation area and sets out best practice and development principles. 6.2 The Draft Wickersley Design Code seeks to ensure that all new development is of the highest standard and recognises that it should also respect the particular characteristics that the different parts of Wickersley display. 6.3 We acknowledge that the document does not intend to stifle innovative, creative and contemporary design, nor does it prescribe a duplication of historic design, however, it is vital that this transfers through to the Wickersley Neighbourhood Plan and that there isn't a focus on pastiche development, allowing design to evolve which is still sympathetic to the of the area.	Noted. The WNP does not promote nor advocate pastiche development.	No change
Savills (Warde-Aldam Estate)	Design Code		In terms of pages 42 to 45 (Lifetime Homes) of the Design Code, we reiterate our comments to draft Policy H2 of the Wickersley Neighbourhood Plan, as per Section 3 above. Following the Government's 2015 'housing standards review' Lifetime Homes standards were replaced by the optional building regulations standard M4(2) entitled 'accessible and adaptable dwellings. As such, it is considered that this section is amended to address this, highlighting that these are a preference and should be encouraged, however, are not mandatory.	Noted. Accompanying text will be amended to clarify this.	Supporting text to highlight these ae encouraged but are not mandatory.

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Savills (Warde-Aldam Estate)	Design Code		6.5 In terms of shop fronts, it is agreed that the design code and guidance will set out some key principles and requirements, the objective of which is to improve the landscape of Wickersley's commercial area through the long term implementation of a shopfront guide. The design code is considered a good mechanism to provide a coordinated approach to shop front design across Wickersley that will enhance the appearance of the built environment with an aim to retain or reintroduce traditional shop front elements and features where appropriate. 6.6 It is also agreed that new shop fronts should be of a high quality and use appropriate materials and signage whilst, where possible and viable, ensure the premises are accessible physically and visually to all users.	Noted	No change
Savills (Warde-Aldam Estate)	Design Code		6.7 In terms of housing character, we do have some concerns over page 57 in terms of the proposed restrictions to the design principle proposed for the Old Village (Character Area 5). Whilst there are some principles we support, it is considered that, overall, these could restrict future development to that of pastiche development only, whereby, in our response to Policy GP5 of the draft Neighbourhood Plan above, is not always the right approach to preserve and enhance the integrity and character of the Conservation Area. It is important that each application is considered on its own merits and the Design Code does not seek to stifle innovative, creative and contemporary design where considered appropriate.	The WNP and Design Code do not promote or endorse pastiche development. Where architectural detailing and character is given as an example these are provided as visual cues for applicants to reference	No change

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RMBC	Design Code	Support	It is suggested the Design Code includes specific reference to Rotherham Local plan Supplementary Planning Document No. 6 Shop Front Design Guide https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/downloads/file/1787/spd6-shop-front-design-guide-june-2020- Consideration needs to be given regarding possible inclusion in the Design Code of comprehensive backland development schemes. Please be aware the Householder Design SPD and the South Yorkshire Residential Design Guide are supplementary to the Local Plan. The section in terms of extensions and alterations needs to make reference to the Council's existing householder design guide. NB There are external requirements for private amenity space (see design guide available on line at https://www.rotherham.gov.uk/downloads/file/1785/spd4-householder-design-guide-june-2020-). It is queried if recent changes to Permitted Development and larger home extensions without Planning Permission been considered? Consideration could be given to implications should the average plot size of houses be decreasing. Support is given to permeable parking surfaces, SuDs, biodiversity enhancement (bat & bird boxes), retention and enhancement of existing hedges. Support is given to the historic built environment being woven into the Design Guide and specifically: the reference to the Lister Estate as a separate character area and the section entitled "Meeting the Street". The advice and drawings given in Appendix B and Appendix E are considered very good. The drawing of the typical row of cottages in the Old Village is supported. In conclusion no major problems have been identified with the Design Code document to date and it is generally considered a good document.		A section on comprehensive backland development has been added reflecting RMBC policy Reference has been added to the existing householder design guide Design code will be checked against recent PD changes and extensions without planning

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Paul Gascoigne (resident)	Design code	Support w/ modifications	Building scale - regardless of location, new builds and/or extensions should never exceed the height of adjacent existing buildings, ie no new 2 and 3 storey buildings put up next/near to existing single level buildings " left, right across the street or bottom of the garden. Layout " pedestrian/cyclist cut-throughs should be kept to an absolute minimum. These rat runs encourage and promote anti-social behaviour.	Scale of building is important but this suggestion is too prescriptive. Disagree with pedestrian and cycle connections	No change
Sonia Mangham (Resident)	Design code	Support w/ modifications	The document is too large to have only one question dedicated to it. I object to the habitats in the buildings for birds and bats, and object to the restrictions on replacement dwellings, these are usually modern and high specification.	It is important to support wildlife habitats. Some replacement dwellings are yes, but the Parish sees many applications for replacement dwellings that are oversized.	No change
Paul Pickering (Resident)	Design code	Support w/ modifications	My property on Bawtry road doesn't appear to fall into any of the Housing Character Areas	Part of Bawtry Road is left undesignated intentionally as the District Centre makes it difficult to form a housing character area. Some of the properties along Bawtry Road are fundamentally different in terms of character to Listerdale for instance so has not been grouped with neighbouring character areas.	No change
Susan Elston (Resident)	Design code	Support w/ modifications	As previously stated, the needs of the elderly residents must be strongly considered. (COMMUNITY ASPIRATION 1: SPECIALIST HOUSING) More bungalows, although not profitable for builders, would be a great improvement to the area.	Noted	No change

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John Irving (Resident)	Design code	Support w/ modifications	Must be sensitively and sensibly applied by Planners.	Each application will be judged on its merits and the design code is intended to assist developers and planning officers	No change
Paul Bullen (Resident)	Design code	Support w/ modifications	Again -the entirely laudable aim of the policy has to be balanced with the financial 'penalty' that over rigorous application of the policy would bring to owners/developers .-	WNP doesn't consider the design code or policies to constitute a financial penalty	No change
Bob Walsh (Councillor)	Design code	Object	As noted elsewhere, this is a superfluous document. Further, it looks suspiciously as though much of its content may have been obtained from someone else's design code. Has copyright been infringed? That could be expensive.	The Design Code has been drawn up to respond to the particular character of Wickersley. Some principles of good design are ubiquitous so may be found in other design codes or guidance. We can confirm that no copywrite infringement has taken place. Integreat Plus own or have permission to use all images, graphics and illustrations used in the document.	No change
Andrea Ashley (Resident)	Design code	Support w/ modifications	There are some contradictions. For example there is reference to existing local character and then there is guidance saying houses shouldn't have the side of the building facing the road - this happens in Wickersley historically.	Noted. Yes you are correct that historically this has happened in Wickersley but is not now considered best practice.	No change

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Bob Walsh (Councillor)	Additional comments		Beware of over-reach and over-constraint. Wickersley is a living village, not an open air museum. It needs to live, to breathe, and to move forwards in time. By all means conserve its distinctive features, but always accept that buildings need to be modified and adapted in order to meet the changing needs of their occupiers. The characteristic appearances of the buildings, and the resulting street scenes, are the things to conserve. A light touch will bring rewards; a heavy hand would invite resistance. A heavy age skew was acknowledged in the public opinion survey. This could have been corrected by normalising the scores according to respondents reported ages. It would be easy to do this, and it ought to be done (and the consequences considered) before proceeding any further	We do not consider it appropriate to attach weighting to different age groups. This would mean the views of older residents have less weight than those of younger ones. We feel that each respondent regardless of age is equal. The WNP strikes a good balance between the issues you raise.	No change
Michael Warner (Resident)	Additional comments		Some good re design but they must reflect real life situations. Each property must have parking for 2 preferably 3 cars to avoid the on street parking mayhem which can be seen on high density estates such as Woodlathes. A lot of good work and ideas are presented in these documents. However, I believe the issue of parking has not been addressed. Good intentions of cycle lanes and pedestrianisation have been around for many years but have not been widely accepted. People will continue to use cars for the foreseeable future and, considering it was a major concern raised in the original survey, there is insufficient in the plan to address it. Households will continue to have 2/3 cars and street parking will continue to be a problem for residents. One relatively cheap solution might be to remove the grass strips on some roads (e.g. Goose Lane), which become muddy and rutted due to parking, and replace with parking bays. The Tanyard traffic flow could be eased by removing the bottle necks at either end. Simply converting to one way is cheap but restrictive and not the best solution. Adding a few parking bays anywhere possible would help....e.g. at the side of the Co op.	Parking issues are not easy to address especially through a NDP but are been considered by RMBC. Discussions between WPC and Tanyard have taken place regarding traffic flow and parking. WNP feel that grass verges are important to retain although agree that options should be assessed to provide better parking provision.	No change

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Andrea Ashley (Resident)	Additional comments		There are errors in the neighbourhood plan appendices in relation to Lilac Farm and Lilac Farm Close. If you would like to contact me I can give you more accurate information. I would suggest that No. 3 is the wrong building.	Thank you for bringing this to our attention.	Map revised and correct building shown
Sarah Potts (Resident)	Additional comments		Just a pity this wasn't drawn up before Habbins built such ugly crowded overly sized buildings off Goose Lane on the back land of the existing houses (not in keeping with this area of Wickersley at all - my view of trees and green space has dramatically reduced) and the spoiling of Wood Lane which was once average sized bungalows with green space and has now become a case of squeezing the largest property possible across with width of the entire plot.	Understand your frustration. The Design Code includes guidance on backland and infill plots to help positively shape new dev of this type	No change
John Irving (Resident)	Additional comments		Reduce speed, pollution and volume of traffic through Wickersley, especially Bawtry Road and Morthen Road	Difficult to address these directly through the WNP	No change
John Close (Resident)	Additional comments		The stone heritage of the village has been overlooked. If new developments reflected the principals of Marcliffe Crescent , it would halt the destruction of the character. Single storey developments adjacent the green belt have been a welcoming softening feature, it appears now sadly ignored. The character of the village has been/ is being eroded by the over dense developments and eradication of landscape. Look at first development on (LHS) Morthen Road approached from Morthen Cross Roads. Any development should absolutely reflect that which exists in terms of density and character- and ADD positively to the landscape . Footpath and cycle facilities could link communities. Instead, footpaths are mud baths and SAFE cycle facilities non- existent . Can this be addressed?	The WNP contains policies on the retention of stonewalls and encourages the use of stone as a building material where contextually appropriate. Character of new development is included in GP1 and the Design Code. Pedestrian and cycle facilities are covered in policy M1.	No change

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Susan Elston (Resident)	Additional comments		I wish to place on record my strong objections to any further or future building of flats / apartments on St Alban's Way. The ones that have, unbelievably, been passed for development are now completed certainly do not 'respond to and reinforce the distinctive character of Wickersley', a major objective of RMBC Planning Department. These flats are completely out of character with the area and dominate surrounding bungalows, being built on what was , in fact, a property's back garden. Despite many objections from local residents, the building went ahead. This error of judgement should never be allowed to happen again.	Noted	No change
Carl Bunting (Resident)	Additional comments		More Green space allocation, the provision of wildlife corridors and environmentally friendly building practices and the use of recycled materials. People who have driveways and garages should use them and not park on the road because its easier, most households have numerous cars now and new building parking requirements should reflect this. People parking large work vans outside their home causing dangerous obstructions and unsightly caravans parked on frontages	We agree with these points and they are included in the WNP where possible to.	No change
Paul Pickering (Resident)	Additional comments		Its time to move away from higher middle class building projects (detached expensive properties) and the type of nightlife that has expanded enormously over the recent years that panders to that type of occupier, and time to try and cater for the local inhabitants, both old and new, of Wickersley and to promote a community spirit built on it's heritage In 9.3 Heritage Assessment you state that 270 & 272 Bawtry Road are double fronted cottages when in fact 258 & 260 are a pair of semi detached cottages totally seperate, and of a different style, from the row of 6 cottages 262 to 272 Bawtry Road and would also suggest tyhat they my well be of an earlier construction to the 1830s	WNP seeks to promote smaller house types. Heritage assessments have been undertaken by RMBC and this comment will be shared with them.	No change

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Jason Monaghan (Resident)	Additional comments		It needs to retain coherence in respect of green space, character vs further developments. There is a presumption that there will be development, and this fights against other aspects of the plan (traffic, parking, drinking establishments etc) Further please note that the first historic reference is in the Domesday Book of 1086. 'In Wickersley, Healfdene and Aestan had 4 carucates of land to the geld, where there could be 3 ploughs. Roger [de Bulley] has it and it is waste. TRE it was worth 40s. There is woodland pasture half a league long and a half broad'	Noted	No change
RMBC	Appendix		The contents page list of appendices and the appendices list should be the same and reflect the appendices provided. Consider the numbering of appendices; currently they are numbered as chapters in the Neighbourhood Plan which is considered confusing (e.g. Appendix 9.4 REASONABLE WALKING DISTANCE). In the Appendices - please note there are two identical copies of page 28 o Appendix 9.2 is considered not to provide strong evidence to support the Local Green Space designations o Appendix 9.5 please provide a note of clarification that the use column refers to the now superseded Use Classes Order. Please note the use class references will not mean much to most readers on their own so it is suggested that the descriptions are added - i.e. A1 Shop, A2 financial and professional services etc o Appendix 9.5 DISTRICT CENTRE USES – it was noted that in this appendix near the top, includes the word "Figure?" is this a typo?	Noted, thank you for these comments and observations	Contents and appendix renumbered to avoid confusion from NDP policies. Identical pages of p28 removed Evidence provided for Local Green Spaces Clarification of Use Class Orders added District Centre uses and Primary shopping Frontage assessments added Typo on figure? amended

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RMBC	Appendix		<p>o Appendix 9.6 please include a note that the Policy in the Sites and Policies document includes explanatory text which assists in understanding the policy and how it will be implemented.</p> <p>o Appendix 9.8 the text layout is queried, it is would be far easier to read if it was presented in the same format as the rest of the appendices</p> <p>Please note if using maps obtained from the Council then the maps would need to include the copyright licence information text (as has been done for example on Figure 9 in the Neighbourhood Plan).</p> <p>The numbering and consistency in labelling figures (numbering, ordering of title and capitals) needs amendment and a standard style needs to be used throughout the whole document. (FYI Figure 9 is labelled as follows (note different styles): PROPOSED LOCAL GREEN SPACES Figure 9 Map of proposed Local Green Spaces and Figure 9 Local Wildlife Sites & Strategic Green Infrastructure Corridors).</p> <p>For information, the Heritage Assessment photographs were taken by Jon Bell. Please include the following reference "Historic Assessment photographs were taken from the public highway or where that was not possible then the permission of the land owners was obtained".</p>	Noted, thank you	<p>Note added explaining Sites and Policies Document contains more information to assist in understanding policy and explains how it will be implemented</p> <p>Text layout amended in line with other text in the appendix</p> <p>All maps now include copyright licence.</p> <p>Numbering and consistency of labelling has been amended</p> <p>Added note below into WNP "Historic Assessment photographs were taken from the public highway or where that was not possible then the permission of the land owners was obtained".</p>

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Hilary Stewart (resident)	Additional comments		Please can something be. Done about speeding in the village especially on Morthen Rd	This falls outside of the scope of the WNP	No change
Paul Gascoigne (resident)	Additional comments		Car parking around the designated Local Green Spaces should to be significantly restricted to promote usage by the local community rather than encouraging visitors from further afield.	There is always a balance to strike with achieving the right levels of parking. We feel current levels of parking are fine and it is OK is people who do not live in the Parish use the facilities. For instance football teams use the Bob Mason recreation ground and visiting teams may be travelling a distance.	No change
RMBC	Additional comments		Clarity is needed regarding plan monitoring in respect of the indicators to be utilised, the monitoring methodology, and any baseline data which will be available against which indicators will be considered. These should be identified in the Neighbourhood Plan.	WPC has referred to guidance provided by locality relating to the monitoring on the Plan.	Updated monitoring section of WNP to include indicators, methodology and data.
RMBC	Additional comments		Ward Cllr Ellis has responded in this consultation confirming that she is in agreement with the Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Turner is aware of the hard work that goes into the Neighbourhood Plan. He considers Wickersley to be a good place to live, achieve a good education and that it has a good range of facilities and services at hand. Cllr Turner would support measures to counter congestion and impacts on amenity which can arise from development.	Noted.	No change

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RMBC	Additional comments		<p>On the Contents page 7 the text “7.0 Community Aspirations” needs to be in bold Community aspirations numbers 1 to 3 are all supported and it is agreed that these are best reflected as community aspirations rather than as policies. Regarding Paragraph 11.4 – please clarify the documents which form the Local Plan plus also a statement that all policies and documents should be read together. Suggested re-wording is as follows: The strategic planning policy background to the Neighbourhood Plan is provided by the adopted Rotherham Core Strategy (2014), the Sites and Policies Document (2018) and the Barnsley, Doncaster and Rotherham Joint Waste Plan (2012). All the policies in the Neighbourhood Plan should be read together, and should be read in conjunction with the above documents. The proposed vision and aims & objectives of the Neighbourhood Plan are supported In the Neighbourhood Plan Policies section, the relevant Local Plan policies are cross referenced - this is supported. It is considered helpful for readers to clarify somewhere that policy numbers prefixed with CS are found in the Core Strategy, and those prefixed with SP are found in the sites and Policies document.</p>	Noted, thank you	<p>Community aspirations is now in bold.</p> <p>Suggested wording relating to policies that form the local plan has been included.</p> <p>Clarification of the prefixes CS and SP has been added in the introduction on p6 of the WNP</p>

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Natural England			Natural England does not have any specific comments on this draft neighbourhood plan.	Noted	No change
Historic England			We do not wish to comment in detail upon the Neighbourhood Plan. We consider that the planning and conservation staff at RMBC are best placed to assist you in the development of your Neighbourhood Plan and, in particular, how the strategy might address the area’s heritage assets. Consequently, we do not consider there is a need for Historic England to be involved in the further development of your plan.	Noted	No change
Environment Agency			No comment received		

2.0 Consultation and engagement strategy and timeline

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CONSULTATION & ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY



This document aims to set out:

- How engagement and consultation will be undertaken, in what format and at what stage in the process.
- Who will be engaged.
- The expected outcomes and aims from engagement and consultation exercises.
- What barriers there might be to engaging with people and what steps may be taken to overcome these barriers.
- How the results of engagement and consultation will be used to inform the scope and content of the plan and shared with others.

A communications strategy has been produced which will add detail to this document and will identify certain people, groups and demographics within Wickersley that are expected to be engaged in the process and will outline how that will be undertaken and the anticipated outcomes.

Whilst this document is intended as a guide for the Neighbourhood Plan process it is very much a live document which will evolve as the process progresses. There may be a need to amend the strategy and incorporate new activities and exercises depending on the success of the initial engagement.

Firstly, there will be different types of participation from local people beyond the steering group. To ensure that the plan properly reflects the aspirations of local people and is a genuine response to an identified local need, participation at different levels and in different forms is required. These are described below in the expected chronological order they will be undertaken.

PROMOTION

This will be undertaken to inform people that the NP is underway, to briefly explain what a NP is, to communicate how people can find out more and invite them to participate in a variety of ways.

ENGAGEMENT

This is a process used to develop a better understanding of the key issues, local priorities and areas of concern that the NP might seek to address. It is the foundation for the whole process and the results of this will go on to shape the emerging content of the plan.

INFORMING

This process allows people interested in the process to be kept informed throughout the project. They may not wish to be actively involved but instead wish to monitor the progress of the plan at regular intervals.

PARTICIPATION

People will be invited to participate in certain events to help shape the content of the plan and to take on an active role in decision making. This aims to utilise the fine-grained detailed knowledge that local people possess.

CONSULTATION

People will be presented with options or proposals and asked for their feedback. Comments will be collected and may lead to amendments to the plan or section of work.



WICKERSLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN CONSULTATION TIMELINE



PROCESS	ACTION	OUTCOME
STAGE 1		
PROMOTION	POSTERS WEBSITE SURVEY TO HOUSEHOLDS	-PROMOTE NP -RECRUIT MEMBERS -INVITE PARTICIPATION
INITIAL ENGAGEMENT	ONLINE & PHYSICAL SURVEYS DROP-IN EVENT WITH COMMUNITY	-UNDERSTAND KEY ISSUES & THEMES
INFORMING	REPORT FINDINGS BACK TO STEERING GROUP & WIDER COMMUNITY	-AGREE AIMS, OBJECTIVES & VISION
STAGE 2		
ONGOING ENGAGEMENT	TARGETED ENGAGEMENT WITH GROUPS	-FULL REPRESENTATION
PARTICIPATION	WORKSHOPS WITH LOCAL GROUPS AND COMMUNITY	-DEVELOP IDEAS AROUND POLICIES & DESIGN GUIDANCE
STAGE 3		
INFORMING	REPORT WORK BACK TO STEERING GROUP & WIDER COMMUNITY	-DRAFT POLICIES & DESIGN GUIDANCE
CONSULTATION	GATHER FEEDBACK ON DRAFT POLICIES & DESIGN GUIDANCE	-AMEND DRAFT PLAN
STAGE 4		
CONSULTATION	STATUTORY 6 WEEK CONSULTATION	-FINAL SUBMISSION PLAN

2.1 Initial engagement survey template



NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SURVEY

Please complete this survey if you would like to help shape the future of Wickersley. Your views will make a valuable contribution to producing a plan that reflects and responds to the aspirations of local people, businesses and community groups.

Producing a Neighbourhood Plan provides an opportunity to develop policies for Wickersley on issues such as community facilities, green spaces, heritage, economic development, the village centre, and more. Whilst the plan cannot determine the level of housing to be built in Wickersley, it can influence the type, size and design so that it meets the needs of local people.

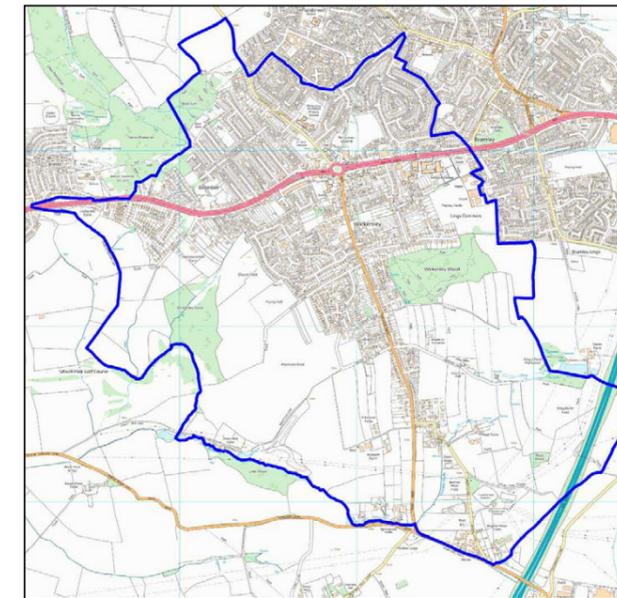
Once completed, the survey can be returned to a dedicated post box in one of the following locations:

Wickersley Community Centre and Library
Wickersley Post Office, 276 Bawtry Road
Paper Kisses, 218 Bawtry Road (Tanyard)
Lawrence Brothers DIY store, Green Lane
Well Pharmacy, Poplar Glade

If you prefer to complete an online survey please visit the dedicated website www.wickersleyneighbourhoodplan.org.uk and click on **Survey**.

If you would like to know more about the Wickersley Neighbourhood Plan, and tell us what you think are the most important issues, then join us at a drop-in session from 10am to 2pm on Saturday 7th July 2018 at Wickersley Community Centre.

Map of the Wickersley Neighbourhood Plan Area.



Q.1 - What do you like most about Wickersley?

Q.2 - What do you like the least about Wickersley?

Q.3 - What issues should the Neighbourhood Plan seek to address? Pick the 3 most important to you.

- | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> New housing design | <input type="checkbox"/> Local economic development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Type of new houses needed (Size, Type & Tenure) | <input type="checkbox"/> Wickersley Village Centre |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local Green Spaces | <input type="checkbox"/> Heritage and conservation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The natural environment | <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic, parking, congestion and pedestrian movement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community facilities and services | |

Q4. - How would you rate the provision of community facilities and services in Wickersley?

- Not aware of any facilities or services
 Poor
 OK
 Good

Please provide any comments you may have

Q5. - How would you rate the provision of green and open spaces in Wickersley?

- Not aware of any green or open spaces
 Poor
 OK
 Good

Please provide any comments you may have

Q6. - How would you rate the provision of children's and young people's play and recreational spaces in Wickersley?

- Not aware of any play or recreational spaces
 Poor
 OK
 Good

Please provide any comments you may have

Q.7 - Do you think there are any groups of people that lack services or facilities locally?

Q.8 - What principles do you think should influence new housing development in Wickersley? Pick the 3 most important to you.

- | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Design that reflects and responds to local character | <input type="checkbox"/> Developments that promote pedestrian and cycle movement and connectivity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Energy efficient and sustainable construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Green infrastructure such as planting and soft landscaping |
| <input type="checkbox"/> House types that meet the needs of local people | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational and play spaces included |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accessibility for users challenged with mobility | <input type="checkbox"/> Homes designed to facilitate home-working |

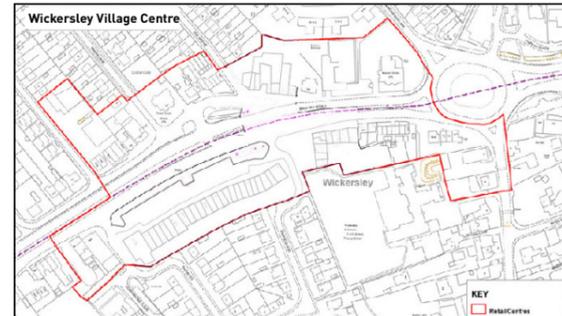
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Q.9 - What types of new housing do you think are most needed locally? Pick the 3 that you feel are most in demand

- Large executive housing
 Smaller family housing
 Starter homes for first time buyers
 Houses for older people
 Apartments for single people / couples
 Affordable housing to rent / shared ownership
 Other, please specify

Q10. - Thinking about Wickersley Village Centre (Map below). What are your thoughts on the current number of uses? Please tick one box for each use.

	Would prefer less	Sufficient amount	Would like more
Shops / retail			
Cafes / restaurants			
Drinking establishments			
Hot food takeaways			
Professional services			



Q.11 - What do you like most about the village centre?

Q.12 - What do you like the least about the village centre?

Q.13 - What do you think Wickersley as a whole should be like as a place in 15 years?

Q.14 - Do you have any concerns about the future of Wickersley?

Q.15 - Do you have any other matters you would like to raise?

Q.16 - What is your age group?

- Aged 0-15
 Aged 16-29
 Aged 30-45
 Aged 46-64
 Aged 65+

Q.17 - What is your interest in Wickersley?

- I live in Wickersley
 I work in Wickersley
 I use services and facilities in Wickersley

Q.18 - Are you a member of any groups or societies in Wickersley? If so, please list

Q.19 - How long have you lived / worked / used facilities in Wickersley?

- 0-2 years
 3-5 years
 6-10 years
 10+ years

Q.20 - Do you consider yourself to have a disability?

- Yes
 No

Q.21 - Please provide your postcode

Q.22 - What mode of transport do you use the most?

- Walk
 Cycle
 Bus
 Car
 Other

Q.23 - How many cars are in your household?

- 0
 1
 2
 3+

Q.24 - If you have vehicles, where are they usually parked?

- Garage / driveway
 On-street
 Off-street other

General Data Protection Regulations

Your privacy is important to us. You can find out more about our Privacy Notice on our website.

If you would like us to keep you informed about the Neighbourhood Plan we need your consent. By giving us your email address and ticking the box below, you are providing your consent and we will communicate with you by email.

You can withdraw or change your consent at any time by contacting us.

Email address

Yes, I would like to receive information by email

2.2 Design workshop agenda and community feedback event promotion

WICKERSLEY
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

DESIGN WORKSHOP
15/09/2018

AGENDA 11:00am - 13:00pm



11:00 - 11:15 INTRODUCTION TO DESIGN GUIDES

Brief introduction to design guidance in Neighbourhood Plans and explanation of how today's exercise will help inform the Wickersley NP & Design Guide.

11:15 - 11:35 ICEBREAKER

Attendees are asked to supply 1 image ahead of the session of something that they consider to be a 'defining characteristic' of Wickersley. These will be shown on-screen and people will be invited to discuss and share opinions.

11:35 - 11:40 PREPARE FOR SITE VISIT

Attendees will be provided with a short list of things to look out for on their site visits. These will be things that will typically be included in the design guide. A prompt list is included opposite.

11:40 - 12:25 SITE VISIT

Split into 2 groups and visit different parts of Wickersley. Take photos of both good and bad examples of the things suggested.

12:25 - 12:55 RETURN FROM VISIT AND SHARE FINDINGS

Briefly share the findings of the site visit with the group and leave shared images with Integreat Plus to incorporate into design guidance.

12:55 - 13:00 CONCLUSIONS AND FINISH

EXERCISE

THINGS TO LOOK OUT FOR IN WICKERSLEY:

BOUNDARY TREATMENTS

How property boundaries are defined with neighbours and/or public/private space. Walls (brick or stone), fences, hedges, or a combination of two?

SOFT LANDSCAPING

Grass verges, communal green spaces, tree planting, flower beds/boxes, relationship with open space

MATERIALS, PALETTES AND COLOURS

Is there brick, stone, timber or render? If so, what colour is it? What material and colour is the roof? Is there a common colour of doors and windows?

ARCHITECTURAL DETAILS

Are there common or recurring details found in brick or stonework? Are windows, doors and their frames designed in a certain style?

DENSITY, SCALE, MASSING & GRAIN

Are there areas which have taller buildings or smaller buildings? How tall are they? Are there parts of Wickersley that are built to a higher or lower density? Are parts of Wickersley built to a different urban grain to other parts? (Narrow streets and buildings close together? Or wider streets with buildings further apart?)

PARKING

Are drives and/or garages at the front, side or rear of the house? What materials are driveways? Paving, tarmac, gravel, other more permeable surfaces?

MOVEMENT & ACCESS

Are streets and spaces designed in a way that makes it easy or difficult to move through? Are there obstacles in the way? (Cars, bollards, lights, bins, seating, signs) Are the surfaces well maintained or are there parts which are uneven?



Community Event

Saturday 9th February 2019

Call in anytime from 1pm to 3pm

Wickersley Community Centre
286 Bawtry Road, Wickersley S66 1JJ

Find out more about the development of
Wickersley's Neighbourhood Plan

- Summary of survey responses
- Key issues and concerns raised
- Policies for the future of Wickersley

Wickersley Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

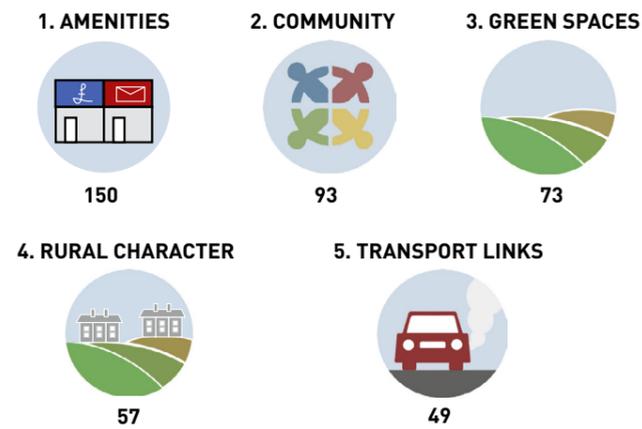
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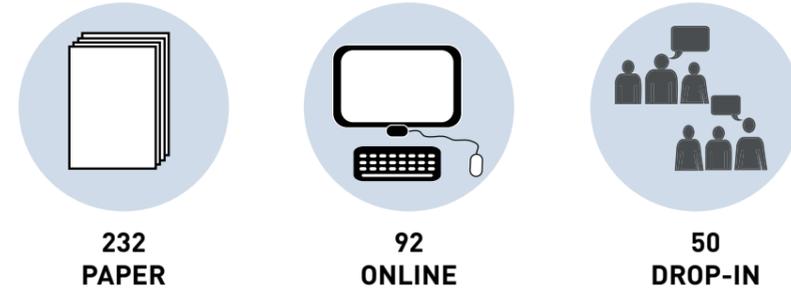
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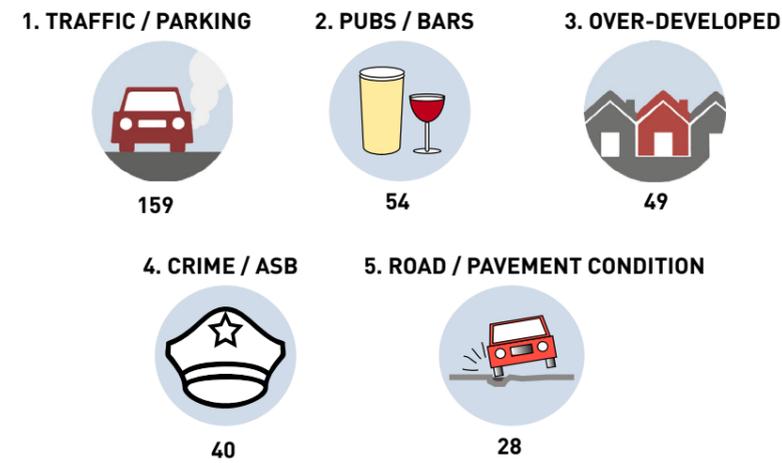
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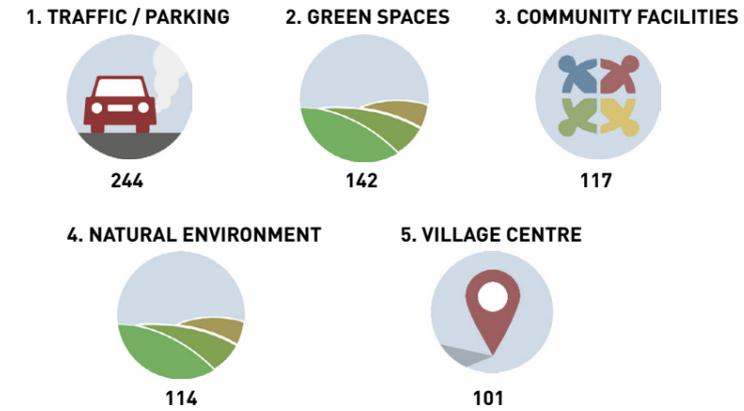


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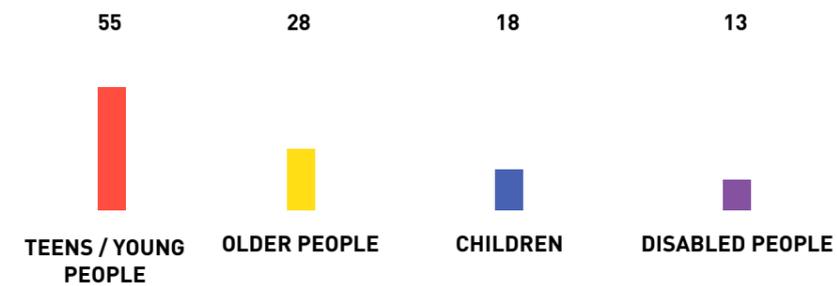


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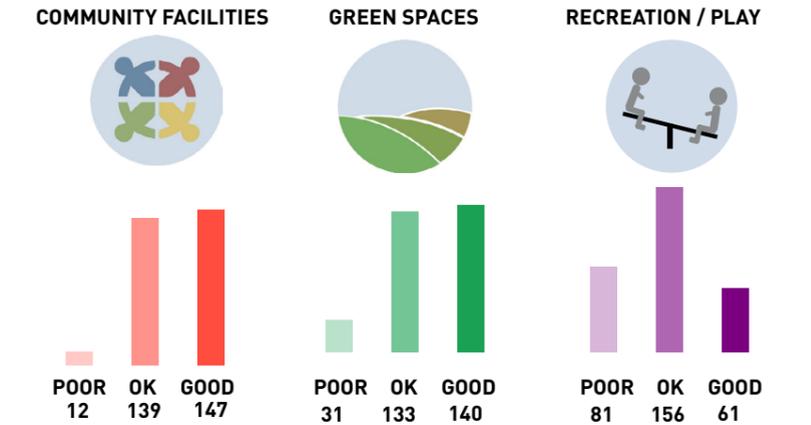
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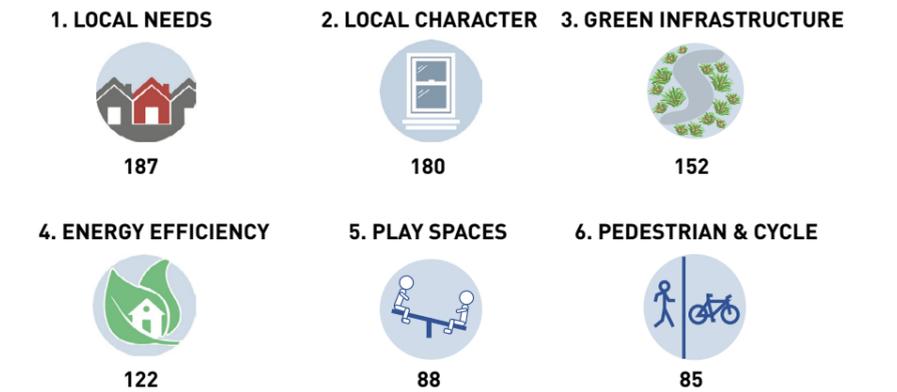
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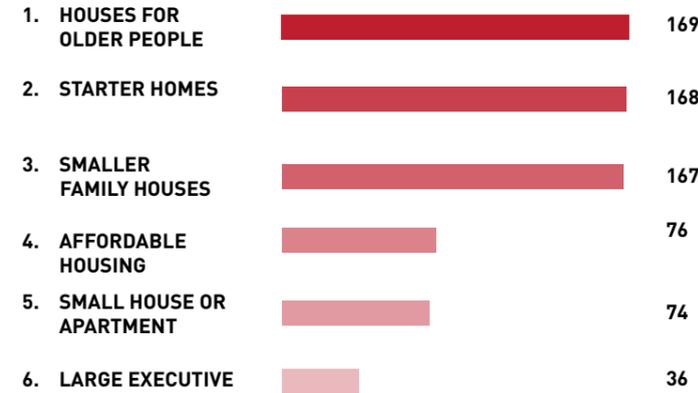


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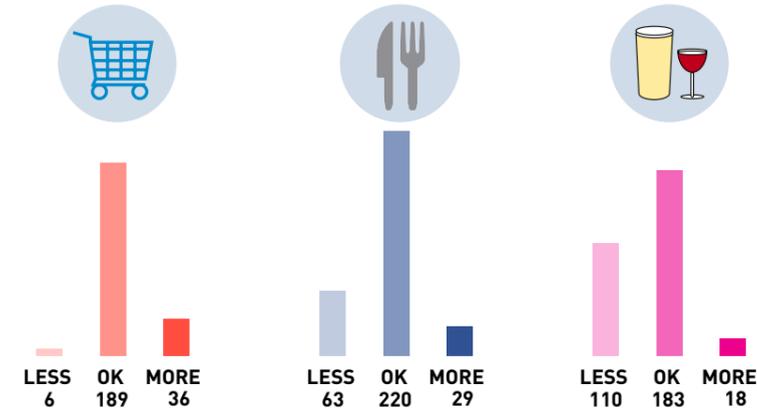
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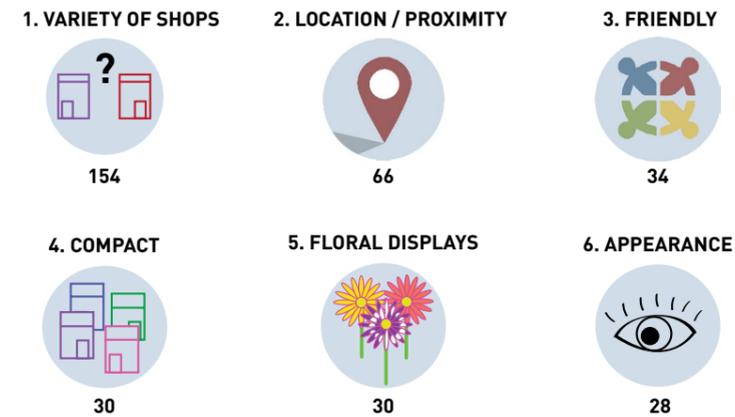
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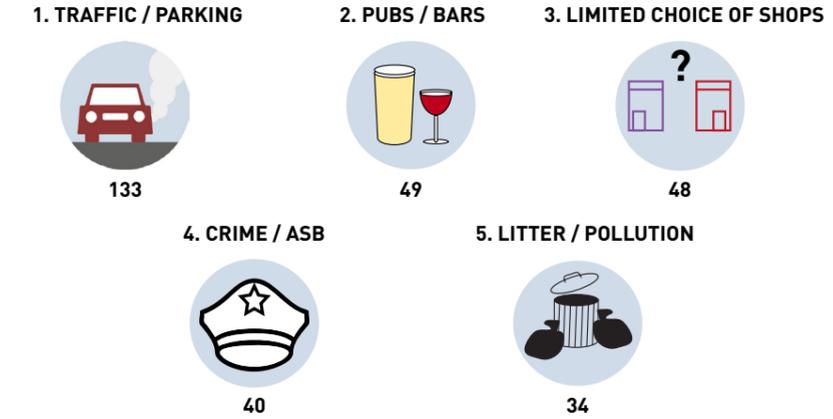


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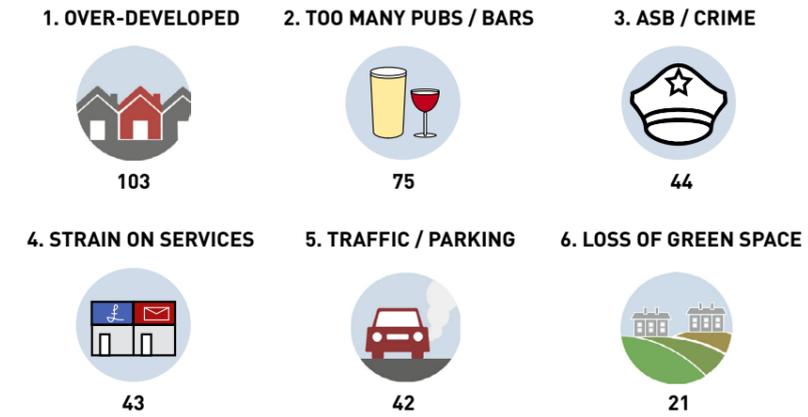


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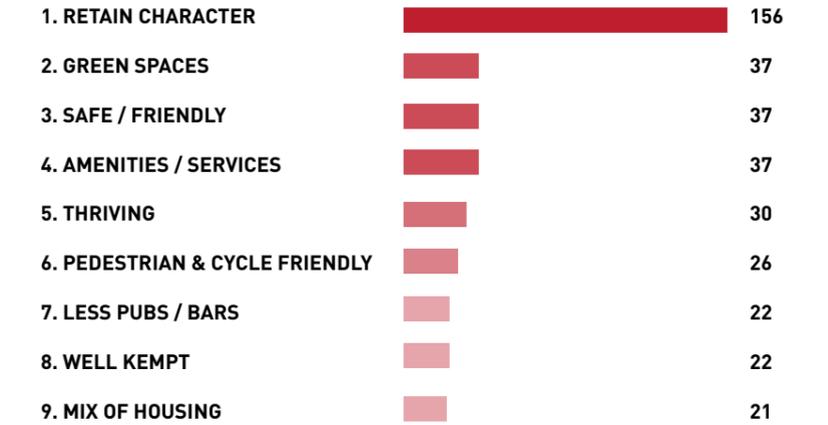
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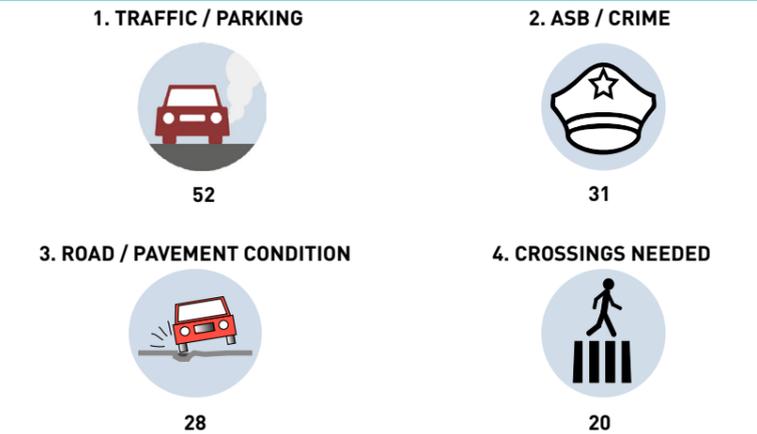
WORRIES ABOUT WICKERSLEY



WICKERSLEY IN 15 YEARS...

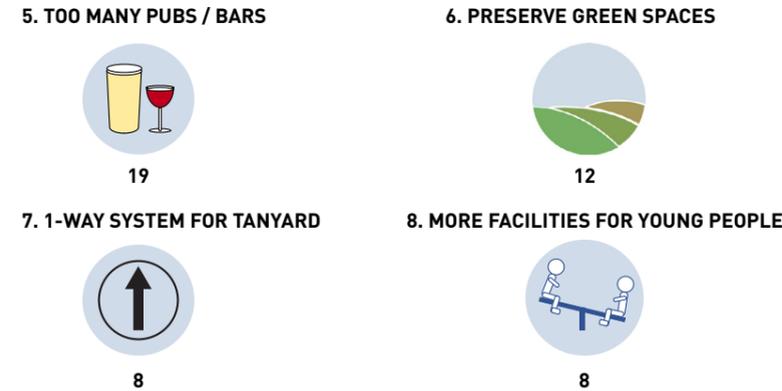


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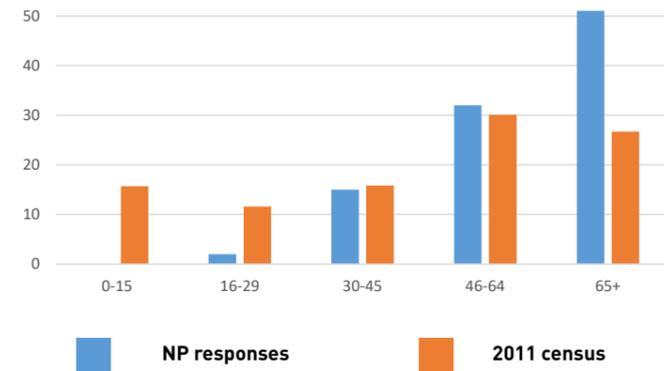


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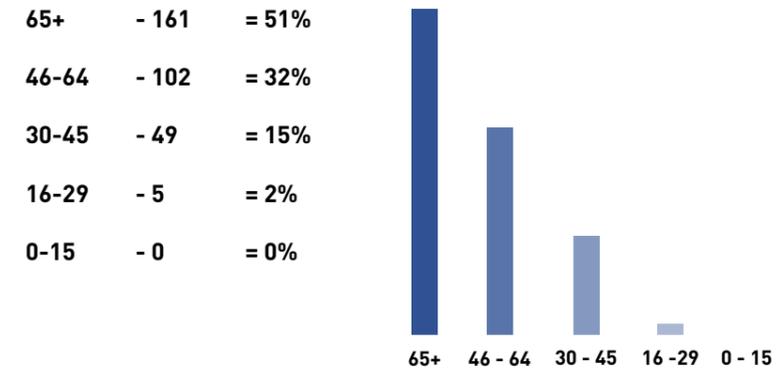
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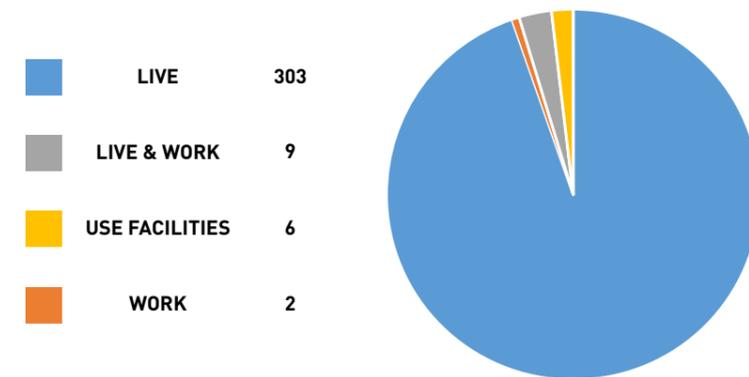
RESPONDENTS vs DEMOGRAPHIC



AGE OF RESPONDENTS



INTEREST IN WICKERSLEY



2.3 Consultation and engagement material

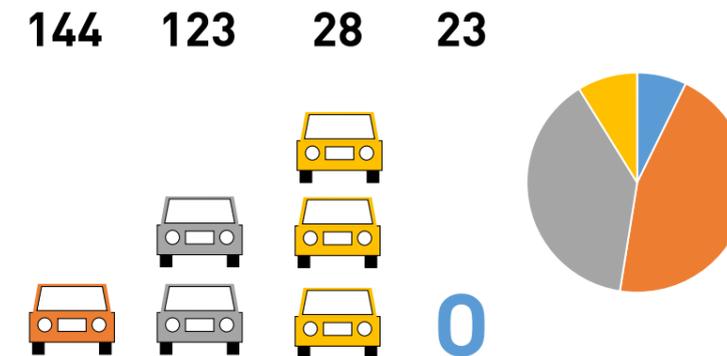
HOW LONG?

1. 10 + YEARS (82%)
2. 3-5 YEARS (8%)
3. 6-10 YEARS (6%)
4. 0-2 YEARS (4%)

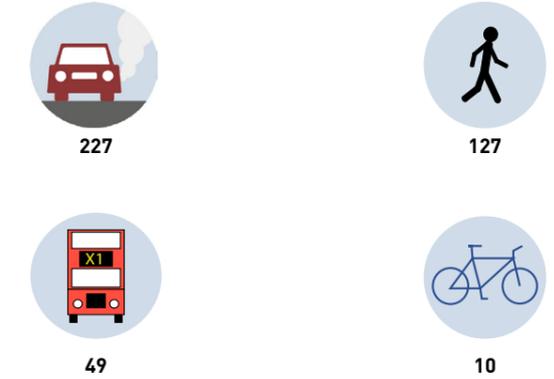
DISABILITY?

1. NO - 83%
2. YES - 15%

HOW MANY CARS?

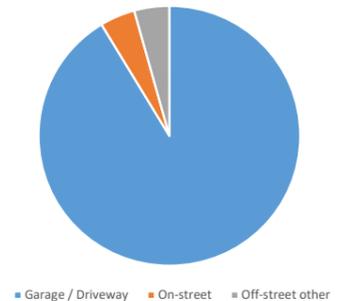


MODE OF TRANSPORT



WHERE ARE THEY PARKED?

1. GARAGE / DRIVE - 274
2. ON-STREET - 13
3. OFF-STREET - 13



2.4 Summary report of drop-in events

THIS IS WHAT HAS BEEN SAID SO FAR...

ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

**DROP-IN EVENT
7.7.2018**



Attended by...
50



COMMENTS RECEIVED...
120



HOUSING...
24
COMMENTS

1. New housing to reflect the character of Wickersley (8 comments)
2. Brownfield development 1st, preserve greenfield & green belt (4 comments)
3. More bungalows needed (4 comments)
4. New housing should be built to the same density (D/HA) as existing settlements (2 comments)
5. New housing needs adequate parking provision (1 comment)
6. New housing should be environmentally friendly (1 comment)
7. Small family houses are needed (1 comment)



2.4 Summary report of drop-in events

VILLAGE CENTRE...
16
COMMENTS

1. Too many pubs (4 comments)
2. Noise/ASB from pubs (3 comments)
3. Losing 'village feel' (3 comments)
4. Better parking needed (2 comments)
5. Poor maintenance (2 comments)
6. More variety of shops needed (2 comments)
7. Not pedestrian friendly (1 comment)
8. Tanyard floods (1 comment)
9. Nice choice of restaurants (1 comment)



GREEN SPACES...
15
COMMENTS

1. Preserve and enhance woodland (7 comments)
2. Protect and enhance green spaces (3 comments)
3. Better children's play area needed (2 comments)
4. Love floral displays (1 comment)
5. Need footpaths linked to parks (1 comment)
6. Need more trees for shade in the park (1 comment)
7. Grass verges on new houses (1 comment)



DESIGN & HERITAGE...
13
COMMENTS

1. Preserve and enhance green spaces (6 comments)
2. New development should reflect the existing character of Wickersley (2 comments)
3. Brownfield development 1st (1 comment)
4. Improve quality of Tanyard (1 comment)
5. St Albans Church and Morcliff crescent are nice heritage examples (1 comment)



MOVEMENT & TRANSPORT
30
COMMENTS

1. Congestion on highways will be made worse by new housing (7 comments)
2. Improvements needed for pedestrians and cyclists (4 comments)
3. Traffic calming is needed on Morthern Road (4 comments)
4. Pedestrian crossing needed on junction of Morthern Road (3 comments)
5. Dangerous and inconsiderate parking (3 comments)
6. One-way system at Tanyard is needed (2 comments)
7. Better provision for pedestrian crossings (2 comments)



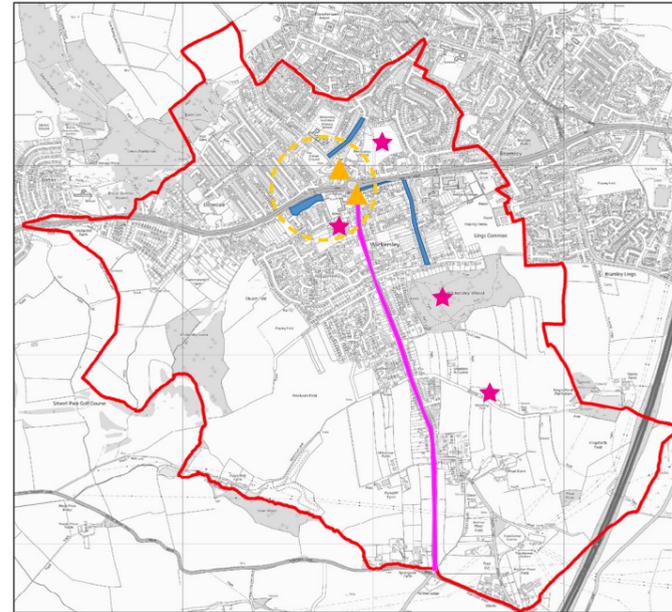
2.4 Summary report of drop-in events

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

18

COMMENTS

1. School and Doctor's surgery already at capacity - extra houses will increase demand (10 comments)
2. Vandalism and anti-social behaviour in the park (2 comments)
3. Winthrop Gardens is great! (2 comments)
4. Preserve green spaces (1 comment)
5. Floral displays are great! (1 comment)
6. Nothing for teenagers to do (1 comment)
7. Sculptures in the woods are great (1 comment)



2.5 Letter to property owners of potentially Locally Listed Buildings



Wickersley Community Centre
286 Bawtry Road
Wickersley
Rotherham
S66 1JJ

To the owner / occupier

Wickersley,
Rotherham
S66

WICKERSLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – LOCALLY LISTED BUILDINGS

Dear owner/occupier,

Wickersley Parish Council is currently preparing a Neighbourhood Plan. This is a land-use planning document that helps to shape and influence development in the village over the next 15 years.

Community consultation and engagement have been key to the process. We have held several events and activities over the last 2 years to help gain an understanding of what local people value and what issues people would like to see addressed.

One of the key areas of interest is local heritage. Wickersley has many special features of historical interest such as listed buildings and a conservation area which are protected under national and local planning policy.

Wickersley does however also have many buildings of interest that are not formally protected or recognised as contributing to local heritage. Rotherham Council has undertaken an assessment of Wickersley and has identified many properties that are worth of including as a Locally Listed Building.

Your property has been identified and assessed as being worthy of inclusion as a Locally Listed Building, to be included in the heritage section of the Neighbourhood Plan. This is because your property makes a positive contribution to the village and meets certain criteria, such as high architectural quality, historical, cultural or social association, or because of its rarity. A policy has been included in the draft Neighbourhood Plan which seeks to avoid demolition of locally listed buildings and encourage restoration and retention of historic features when making alterations and extensions to the property. It also seeks to protect and enhance their setting. Design guidance will be included to provide examples of how this might be achieved.

The draft Neighbourhood Plan and relevant policy GP4 can be viewed on the Parish Councils website www.wickersleypc.org.uk. Consultation on the Plan will start on 7 December for an eight-week period until 29 January and you will be able to make representations on this or any other policy by using the online comment form, or by writing to the Parish Council at the above address.

As owners/occupiers you have permitted development rights, which means you are able to make changes or alterations to your property which do not require planning permission. Your permitted

development rights are unaffected even if your property is included on the local heritage list. Before making any alteration to your property you should always check first with Rotherham MBC.

Your property may also be located within the Wickersley Conservation Area for which there are existing policies in the Rotherham Local Plan which seek to preserve and enhance the special character of that area.

If you wish to discuss this matter then please contact the Parish Council and a member of the Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group will get back to you. We would also be pleased to receive any additional information about your property that could be useful to the local listing process.

Yours faithfully,

Wickersley Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group



2.6 Advert promoting regulation 14 consultation

HAVE YOUR SAY ABOUT THE FUTURE OF WICKERSLEY

We would have liked to make hard copies of the documents available to view as we are aware that not everybody has access to the internet. However, due to covid restrictions we are not able to do that in a safe way but if you are having difficulty with accessing these documents then please email or call the Parish Council whose contact details are at the bottom of this leaflet. For the same reason we are unable to hold any drop-in sessions with the Steering Group.

At the end of the consultation period, we will make changes to the Plan to take account of your views and it will then be submitted to Rotherham Borough Council who will carry out another period of consultation before it is subject to an independent examination. If the examiner recommends that the Plan can proceed then it will be subject to a referendum of the local community and then adopted if the majority vote is in favour.

Please take this opportunity to make your views known because this is the best way of making sure the Neighbourhood Plan properly reflects how you want Wickersley to develop in the future.

Wickersley Parish Council
Email: clerkadmin@wickersleypc.org.uk
Telephone: 01709 703270



2.6 Advert promoting Regulation 14 Consultation

Wickersley Residents and Businesses,

HAVE YOUR SAY ABOUT THE FUTURE OF WICKERSLEY

A draft Neighbourhood Plan for Wickersley has now been produced following consultation with local residents and businesses and gathering of evidence over the last 2 years.

The Neighbourhood Plan is an important document as, together with the Local Plan for Rotherham, it has to be taken into account when decisions on planning applications are made by Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council.



The Neighbourhood Plan contains policies on

- community facilities,
- housing,
- the village centre,
- local heritage,
- green infrastructure and local green spaces, and
- movement and transport.

A separate Design Code has been produced to guide all new development to ensure it is of high quality and in keeping with the distinctive character of different parts of Wickersley.

Please see overleaf for details of how you can have your say.



2.6 Advert promoting Regulation 14 Consultation

THE CONSULTATION – WE NEED YOUR VIEWS

We are now consulting on both documents which, together with background information, can be viewed on Wickersley Parish Council's website www.wickersleypc.org.uk/neighbourhood-plan. We would encourage all residents and businesses to let us have any comments or feedback using the response form provided. If you would like to discuss any of the information in the documents with a member of the Steering Group, please email clerkadmin@wickersleypc.org.uk

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, it is not possible to hold public events where copies of the documents can be seen and discussed. If you are unable to access the internet and would like to know more about the Neighbourhood Plan, please contact Wickersley Parish Council on 01709 703270.

The consultation period is from 7 December to 29 January 2021.

This is your opportunity to make your views known so that the Neighbourhood Plan properly reflects how you want Wickersley to develop in the future.

Changes will be made to the Neighbourhood Plan to take into account your views and then it will be submitted to Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council, followed by an independent examination. A referendum of the local community will then take place and, providing a majority vote in favour, the Neighbourhood Plan will be adopted.

Wickersley Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
November 2020



2.7 Responses from Statutory Consultees

Date: 26 January 2021
Our ref: 336533



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Jamie Wilde

Integreat Plus

BY EMAIL ONLY

Dear Mr Wilde

Wickersley Neighbourhood Plan – Regulation 14 Consultation

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated 7 December 2020.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

Natural England is a statutory consultee in neighbourhood planning and must be consulted on draft neighbourhood development plans by the Parish/Town Councils or Neighbourhood Forums where they consider our interests would be affected by the proposals made.

Natural England does not have any specific comments on this draft neighbourhood plan.

However, we refer you to the attached annex which covers the issues and opportunities that should be considered when preparing a Neighbourhood Plan.

For any further consultations on your plan, please contact: consultations@naturalengland.org.uk.

Yours sincerely
Dawn Kinrade
Consultations Team



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26 January 2021

Dear Mr. Wilde,
Wickersley Neighbourhood Plan
Pre-submission consultation Response

Thank you for consulting Historic England in connection with the Pre-submission Draft Neighbourhood Plan prepared Wickersley Parish Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.

We do not wish to comment in detail upon the Neighbourhood Plan. We note that the Neighbourhood Plan area is located 5.3 kilometres/3.3 miles east-south-east of Rotherham. It contains 9 Grade II Listed Buildings and the Wickersley Conservation Area.

It will also contain a number of buildings, structures, places and sites of local historic interest. We note that the Neighbourhood Plan incorporates Heritage and Heritage Asset policies. These policies should be worded in a way which will help to protect these sites and their settings, and ensure that any change is managed appropriately.

Historic England provides comprehensive guidance on its [Neighbourhood Planning webpage](#), as well as publishing Historic England Guidance Note 11, [Neighbourhood Planning and the Historic Environment](#). You may also wish to view our [Neighbourhood Planning webinar](#).

We consider that the planning and conservation staff at the Rotherham Council are best placed to assist you in the development of your Neighbourhood Plan and, in particular, how the strategy might address the area's heritage assets. Consequently, we do not consider that there is a need for Historic England to be involved in the further development of your plan.