

Boulmer Howick & Longhoughton



Neighbourhood Plan to 2036 Consultation

Please help shape the future of your community!

Have your questions answered and express your views at a drop-in event on..

- **Tues 14 January 2020 Boulmer** Memorial Hall from 4.30pm – 7.30pm
 - **Wed 15 January Howick** Village Hall from 4.30pm to 7.30pm.
 - **Thur 16 January Longhoughton** Community and Sports Centre 1.00pm – 4.00pm
 - **Sat 18 January Longhoughton** Community and Sports Centre 10.00am – 12.00
- Refreshments at all sessions

Or..

- By completing the form on the back of this leaflet and send it to Longhoughton Parish Council at Rivendell, Steppey Lane, Lesbury. NE66 3PU, or
- By completing the online survey on the web site <https://longhoughtonndp.co.uk/ndp-questionnaire-2020/>, or
- By emailing your comments to the Parish Clerk on parishclerk@hotmail.com

Your feedback will be used to help inform a Neighbourhood Plan

What is the Neighbourhood Plan?

- It enables people living and working in an area to guide where and how future development happens
- Neighbourhood Plans are prepared by the local Parish Council
- The Longhoughton, Boulmer and Howick Neighbourhood Plan will be used to make decisions on planning applications giving it genuine influence. The Plan will last to 2036
- The Neighbourhood Plan can include a range of policies including those which guide new development, housing, conserve and enhance the environment, heritage, green spaces and support the provision of community facilities
- Before the Neighbourhood Plan is adopted it will be subject to a referendum of all voters in the Parish
- Also see our web site www.longhoughtonndp.co.uk

Background to the Neighbourhood Plan

So far we have taken the views of residents from:

- The Boulmer Review of 2017
- The Longhoughton Review of 2018
- The Howick Review of 2019
- The Housing Needs Survey of 2019

See www.longhoughtonndp.co.uk

The Action Plans from these Reviews can be found on northumberlandparishes.uk/longhoughton/documents



We have compiled a vision and objectives for consultation that came out of the above reviews. The vision is what we would like the Parish to be like in 2036 and the six objectives set out how we would like to change to achieve the vision.

We now need your feedback to ensure that the Neighbourhood Plan reflects your views.

Draft **Vision**

In 2036 the Parish of Longhoughton, which includes the unique and distinctive villages of Boulmer, Howick and Longhoughton, will be attractive places to live and grow with a community that is sustainable, cohesive and thriving

The diverse needs and wellbeing of the existing and future residents will be provided for and the community will be sustainable in relation to the facilities and infrastructure available to residents
Residents will have good access to facilities and be well connected

The natural, historic and environmental character of the area will be maintained and enhanced for future generations by ensuring that new developments are of an appropriate quality, scale and design

All people who live in the parish will have the opportunity to participate in shaping their surroundings and feel proud of where they live

Draft **Objectives**

1. Housing: The location, quantity and type of housing built in the parish, is appropriate to its sustainability and reflects the distinct character and needs of the villages of Boulmer and Howick and Longhoughton
2. Business: Supporting and encouraging appropriate and sustainable levels of business growth and development across the Parish
3. Environment: Protecting and enhancing the natural environment both within and outside the Northumberland Coast of Outstanding Natural Beauty and the internationally designated coastal sites. Whilst ensuring appropriate and suitable access for their appreciation
4. Heritage: Protecting and enhancing the distinctive character of the villages and the built heritage of the parish
5. Community: Protecting and supporting the development of key community facilities and infrastructure to ensure that the community is inclusive and sustainable
6. Transport and Access: Promoting access to facilities and services for all residents and creating safe and high quality roads, pavements and green routes including footpaths, cycle routes and bridleways

Draft Planning Policy Themes

We consider the themes below could be used to help develop planning policies to address the following issues:

Housing:

- Identifying where the most development should take place and where it should be resisted, this could include drawing settlement boundaries around Howick and Boulmer and allocating sites for housing to meet local needs, including community led housing;
- Introducing restrictions in parts of the plan area to ensure that new homes can't be used as holiday or second homes;
- Providing guidance on the level, type and mix of affordable housing required across the area;
- Developing design guidance for new residential development and householder extensions.

Business:

- Developing policies to support the delivery of a sustainable economy and consider allocating sites for specific types of employment development;
- Providing guidance on the location and development of tourism accommodation and facilities.

Environment:

- Identifying the important elements of the landscape of the area that should be protected and enhanced by new development;
- Highlighting important green infrastructure networks.

Heritage:

- Identifying design principles to be included within an overarching design policy or policies for specific parts of the plan area.

Community:

- Identifying important community services and facilities and the need for future development;
- Protecting open spaces that are important to the local community;
- Identifying key infrastructure needs across the area.

Transport:

- Identifying important routes or active travel routes across the plan area.

Next Steps

- Your comments on the draft vision, objectives and planning policy themes will be used to inform the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan
- We will be asking for your feedback on the Neighbourhood Plan later in 2020
- We will then make changes to the Neighbourhood Plan following feedback and submit the Plan to Northumberland County Council
- The Plan will then be examined by an independent examiner
- There will then be a Parish wide referendum. If the majority of those voting are in favour of the plan, it will be brought into legal force by Northumberland County Council and used in the determination of planning applications



Your feedback



Q1 Do you support the draft vision for the Neighbourhood Plan? Yes No

If you have any comments on the draft vision or if you answered 'no', please tell us why below?

Q2 Do you support the draft objectives for the Neighbourhood Plan? Yes No

If you have comments on the draft objectives or have answered 'no', please tell us why below?

Q3 Do you support the draft planning themes? Yes No

If you have any comments or have answered 'no', would you please give your reasons below?

Q4 Do you feel that the Neighbourhood Plan should identify any areas for development or protection, for example, for housing, employment or protected green space? If so, would you please tell us why you feel the areas or site should be identified and describe its location?

Q5 Are there any other issues that you feel the Neighbourhood Plan should cover?

Please use an additional page if you would like to provide a fuller response.

It would be helpful if you could include your **email address** so we can get in touch with you about your comments.

We will keep everyone informed of the Neighbourhood Plan's progress through the Community Newsletter.

Thank you for completing this survey!