

Long Whatton and Diseworth Parish Council

Long Whatton and Diseworth Neighbourhood Plan

Pre-Submission Consultation

Consultation on the proposed Neighbourhood Plan for Long Whatton and Diseworth Parish will take place for a period of six weeks from Monday 12 February to Monday 25 March 2024. This consultation forms part of the statutory consultation required by Regulation 14 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

What are your views on the Plan?

This pre-submission consultation is to gather feedback from those who live, work or have a business in the area. A range of statutory and public bodies will also be consulted to add to the feedback.


This leaflet is just a summary– the full version of the Neighbourhood Plan can be downloaded from the Parish Council’s website along with other relevant documents.

Why is the Neighbourhood Plan important?

The Long Whatton and Diseworth Neighbourhood Plan allows people who live, work or have a business in the Parish to have a say on their local needs and the future direction of the Parish. In addition, the Plan will help:

- Decide planning applications
- Safeguard the character and beauty of the countryside
- Conserve heritage
- Protect important green spaces
- Meet local housing needs
- Address flood risk





Long Whatton and
Diseworth
Neighbourhood Plan

Pre-Submission Draft
(2021-2039)

Long Whatton and Diseworth Parish Council
July 2023

*Our Plan is
focused on
protecting the
unique
character of
each of our
settlements –
Long Whatton
and
Diseworth*

What is a Neighbourhood Plan?

Neighbourhood Planning was introduced in 2012 and offers communities direct power to shape development and growth in their local area.

The Draft Neighbourhood Plan is the result of consultation with the community, together with detailed work by the Parish Council over the last few years.

The Long Whatton and Diseworth Neighbourhood Plan will be a statutory plan which means that once it has been finalised, decisions on planning applications will be made using both the North West Leicestershire Local Plan and the Neighbourhood Plan, and any other material considerations.

Design

Design Guidance has been prepared alongside the Neighbourhood Plan to encourage and promote high quality, sustainable design in the Parish.

Meeting local priorities

The Draft Neighbourhood Plan reflects the priorities of local people. However we do not have a free hand over how the plan is prepared. The plan contains 33 policies – many are summarised here.

Landscape Study

Long Whatton and Diseworth Parish Council has commissioned consultants to undertake a landscape study to support planning policies that identify the distinctive qualities of local landscape character that are to be conserved and enhanced. The Study will also help make objections to the proposed new settlement at Isley Woodhouse and warehousing proposals near Diseworth.

Countryside

- Countryside to be protected from most development
- Area of Separation defined between Long Whatton and Hathern
- Locally important views identified
- Valued landscapes designated
- Countryside access improvements
- Local ecological features and habitats are mapped for protection
- Safeguarding of trees and hedgerows
- 20 Local Green Spaces are identified for special protection

Heritage

- Local heritage features and archaeological sites throughout the Parish have been identified for protection

Flood Risk

- Recommendations of flood reports integrated into planning decisions and Sustainable Drainage Systems to be a requirement of new development

Services and Facilities

- Key services and facilities are to be retained
- Proposal for a new community centre for Long Whatton
- New developments will be expected to contribute to infrastructure improvements

Transport

- Donington Park Services improvements supported
- Nuisance parking generated by EMA to be controlled

Employment

- The business conversion of rural buildings is supported
- Working from home is supported
- Large-scale employment development in the countryside to be controlled

Housing

The Neighbourhood Plan allocates Tea Kettle Hall, Diseworth for the development of around 13 dwellings .

A housing site of almost 4 hectares off Hathern Road, Long Whatton is allocated for about 90 homes. The development is to make provision for a new community centre on the northern side of Hathern Road.

The focus will be on smaller dwellings, including bungalows, this would permit older households in larger dwellings to downsize and allow newly forming households to access housing through smaller and more affordable dwellings.

North West Leicestershire Local Plan

North West Leicestershire District Council is preparing a new Local Plan for the district. Consultation on the Local Plan is likely to overlap with consultation on our Neighbourhood Plan. There are some aspects of the Local Plan that we will not agree with, but ultimately the Neighbourhood Plan and the Local Plan must compliment each other.

Let us know what you think

This is just a summary of the Draft Neighbourhood Plan. A full copy of the Pre-Submission Draft of the Neighbourhood Development Plan and Design Code is available to download along with supporting documentation on the Parish Council website:

www.lwdpc.org.uk

This summary newsletter has been prepared so that all groups in the community are sufficiently engaged, including those without internet access. If you cannot download documentation from the internet, please contact the Parish Clerk.

During the consultation period, the following 'drop in' sessions will provide an opportunity to examine the contents of the Plan and to discuss it in more detail:

Friday 1st March: 4.00 pm - 7.00 pm
Diseworth Village Hall, Hall Gate, Diseworth
DE74 2QJ

Friday 8th March: 4.00 pm - 7.00 pm
Long Whatton Friendship Centre, Main Street,
Long Whatton LE12 5DF

Representations on the contents of the draft new Neighbourhood Plan must be submitted to Long Whatton and Diseworth Parish Council no later than:

5pm on Monday 25 March 2024

If you would like to comment on any aspect of the Draft Plan please email, write or complete and return a copy of the Pre-Submission Representation Form. The form can be downloaded from the website. Comments may be made:

Via e-mail to: parishcouncil@lwdpc.org.uk

By post to:

Long Whatton and Diseworth Parish Council
Peggs Barn
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DE74 2RB

Please note that your submitted comments will be used in the plan process for the lifetime of the Neighbourhood Plan. Your response cannot be treated as confidential and it is likely to be available for public inspection.

Contact Us

Give us a call for more information about the neighbourhood plan

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The Draft Neighbourhood Plan was prepared last summer and since then there have been a number of changes including the cancellation of the northern leg of HS2 and new national planning guidance. These will be addressed in the next version of the Neighbourhood Plan.

