

# Linby Neighbourhood Development Plan Consultation Questionnaire

## Linby Needs Your Opinions .....

Your Parish Council is putting together a Neighbourhood Plan for Linby parish. Through the Neighbourhood Plan we aim to maintain and enhance what is special and good about the village and to plan for new development in helping the community to improve its quality of life. The results of this survey will determine the underpinning principles and overall direction of our plan and so it is **very important** that you, your family and your neighbours take this opportunity to make your views known. The Draft Neighbourhood Development Plan will be shared with you before being submitted to Gedling Borough Council for examination, consultation and independent examination. Residents of Linby will have the opportunity to vote on whether or not to adopt the Neighbourhood Development Plan. Once adopted, it will become a legal document that planning applications will have to comply with to gain planning consent.

### **What is a Neighbourhood Plan?**

Communities have new powers to shape the places in which they live including new development through Neighbourhood Planning which was introduced through the Localism Act in 2011. A Neighbourhood Development Plan is a community-led framework for guiding the future development and growth of an area. It will contain a vision, aims, planning policies, proposals for improving the area for example new facilities, allocation of key sites for specific kinds of development etc. Neighbourhood Development Plans relate to the use and development of land and associated social, economic and environmental issues. It may deal with a wide range of issues (like housing, employment, heritage and transport) or it may focus on one or two issues that are of particular importance in a local area. A Neighbourhood Development Plan will be subject to examination and referendum and then form part of the Local Development Plan. This statutory status gives Neighbourhood Development Plans far more weight than some other local planning documents, such as parish plans. Linby Parish Council has decided to pursue a Neighbourhood Development Plan which will envisage how the village should develop over the next 10-20 years. The following are suggested visions on what can be achieved with a Neighbourhood Development Plan:

- Maintaining the character and identity of Linby as a place with a strong sense of community and history, supporting a wide range of facilities and services.
- Conserve and enhance the rural character of the village, and to preserve the areas of green open spaces surrounding the village.
- Seek to improve connections between the different parts of the village, and out into the countryside beyond, for both pedestrians and cyclists; in particular we want all new developments to enhance the network of routes within the village
- Ensure we have variety of house sizes that are built – 2, 3, 4 bedrooled, as well as bungalows. Ensure that its character of new build is sympathetic to the local tradition in terms of materials and scale.

The provision of a Neighbourhood Plan also has financial implications for the Parish Council. Gedling Borough Council (GBC) recently adopted a policy on the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) which allows

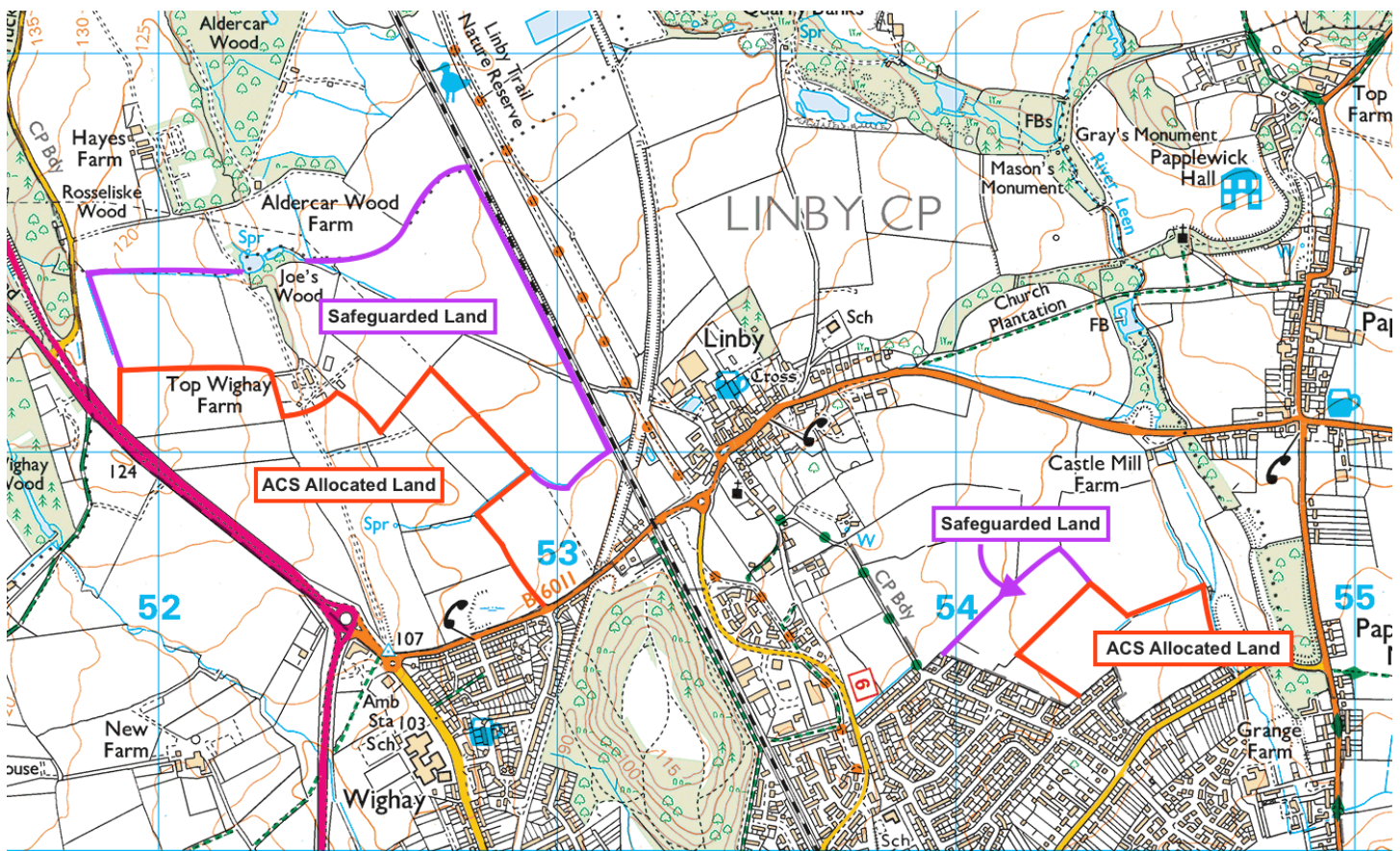
GBC to raise funds from developers undertaking new building projects in their area. The money can be used to fund a wide range of infrastructure that is needed as a result of development. This includes new or safer road schemes, flood defences, schools, hospitals and other health and social care facilities, park improvements, green spaces and leisure centres. With a Neighbourhood Development Plan a Parish Council would be entitled to 25% of the CIL money raised on developments in their area

### How to get help or further information

If you have questions about the survey or wider Neighbourhood Plan process, one of the Neighbourhood Plan team would be pleased to talk to you. Contact the parish office on 07971 700434 to arrange this.

Thank you for taking the time to help us create Linby's Neighbourhood Plan.

*Linby Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group*



**Area within the red line is land allocated within the Aligned Core Strategy for housing development. There are 2 sites Top Wighay and land north of Papplewick Lane.**

**Area within the purple line is land that has been safeguarded for future housing development.**

Please fill in your opinion on the questions below or you can access the questionnaire online. Please see the website for more information.

**[www.linby.org.uk](http://www.linby.org.uk)**

## Village Statement

1. What do you feel are the <b>strengths/positive features</b> about Linby? Please <b>rank</b> these. <b>1 = best feature</b> .			
	Open and green spaces		Friendly and safe environment
	The rural character of the Parish		The school
	Local wildlife and habitats		The church and churchyard
	Sense of community		Access to the countryside
	Local community groups		<i>Other:</i>

2. What do you feel are <b>weaknesses/negative features</b> about Linby? Please <b>rank</b> these. <b>1 = worst feature</b> .			
	Pedestrian Safety		Excessive Noise
	Car Parking		Dog Fouling
	Volume of Traffic		Excessive/inappropriate signage
	Speed of Traffic		Anti-social behavior
	Traffic at school pick up / drop off		<i>Other:</i>
	Litter		<i>Other:</i>

## Services and Facilities

3. Which of these <b>facilities</b> do you use? Please <b>rate</b> these with a tick, in terms of <b>regularity</b> of use.				
	<i>Weekly</i>	<i>Monthly</i>	<i>Annually</i>	<i>Never</i>
Village Hall				
Pub				
Tea Rooms				
Brook Farm Shop				
Brook Farm Café				
Football Club/Field				
Linby Meadow				
Mobile Library				
Hanson House				
Pre-School				
Baby and Toddler Group				
Church				
Cycle Paths				
Walking Routes				
<i>Other:</i>				

## Employment

4. In making provision for new employment land on the Top Wighay site, which <b>issues</b> concern you? Please <b>rank</b> these. <b>1 = most important</b> .	
	Parking
	Noise
	Hours of Operation
	Extra Traffic
	<i>Other:</i>

## Design

5. Design and layout should respect and reflect the essential characteristics and appearance of the village?		Yes		No
6. New developments should provide a mix of housing types and tenures?		Yes		No

## Transport

7. What forms of <b>transport</b> do you use and how <b>frequently</b> ? Please mark <b>Daily, Weekly, Monthly, Never</b> .													
	<i>Leisure</i>				<i>Commuting</i>				<i>Shopping</i>				<i>Comments</i>
	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	
Car	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	
Bike	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	
Walking	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	
Bus	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	
Motorbike	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	
Tram	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	
Mobility Vehicle	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	
Train	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	
<i>Other:</i>	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	D	W	M	N	

8. What <b>changes</b> are needed (if any) in regards to the following areas?	
Bus Services	
Parking in Linby	
Road Maintenance	
Cycle Paths	
Footpaths	
Speed humps/ Traffic Calming	
HGV Traffic	
Other	



## Sustainable development

Sustainable development is a core principle of Neighbourhood Planning. It says that development that brings benefits to a community (see box below) should generally be approved. In short, sustainable development is development that is good for people and their sense of community; supports the local economy; gives people the opportunity to live and work here; does not waste resources; and protects green places and wildlife. Our Neighbourhood Plan needs to set out what type of development we *want* to see in Linby, as well as what we don't want to see and why.

### What is sustainable development?

The government's National Planning Policy Framework defines sustainable development as:

- **SOCIAL:** supporting strong, vibrant and healthy communities by meeting present and future housing needs; and by providing a built environment and local services that support the community's health, social and cultural wellbeing.
- **ECONOMIC:** building a strong economy by making sufficient land available in a way that supports growth and innovation; and by identifying and coordinating the provision of infrastructure.
- **ENVIRONMENTAL:** protecting and enhancing our natural, built and historic environment by improving biodiversity, using natural resources prudently and responding to climate change.

UK planning policy requires a "presumption in favour of sustainable development". This means that Gedling Borough Council will approve without delay any planning applications that they consider sustainable, unless an approved Neighbourhood Plan specifies otherwise.

In order to get the best outcome for our parish, our Neighbourhood Plan must take the principles of sustainable development and apply them to the desires of the people who live, work and learn in Linby.



## New Development

9. Bearing sustainable development in mind, what do you think are the biggest benefits development could bring to Linby parish? Please <b>rate</b> these <b>1 – 5</b> . <b>1 = most important</b> .			
	Parking		Mobile phone coverage
	A balance of ages and incomes		Countryside & local assets protection
	Air quality		Rental properties
	Broadband speeds		Safe cycle routes
	Energy production		Safe pedestrian routes
	Facilities and services for young people		Schools and childcare
	Investment in infrastructure		Shops and services
	Land for recreational activities		Transport links
	Leisure facilities		Variety of housing
	Local jobs and businesses		Village identity and sense of community
	Medical and care facilities		<i>Other:</i>

10. Thinking about sustainable development, what <b>single change</b> would most improve your <b>quality of life</b> as a resident of Linby? Please keep your answer short and to the point.

11. The <b>Top Wighay Site</b> proposes <b>1000 houses</b> in Linby Parish and land <b>North of Papplewick Lane</b> proposes <b>300 houses</b> in Linby Parish. In making provision for new residential development which issues concern you? Please <b>rank</b> it <b>1-5</b> . <b>1 = most important</b> .	
	A weaker sense of community
	Air quality
	Expansion targeted only at people on high incomes
	Increase in crime and anti-social behaviour
	Increased traffic
	Insufficient sports and leisure facilities
	Lack of adequate parking in Linby village
	Lack of school/childcare places or school/childcare overcrowding
	Loss of countryside and/or green space between existing settlements
	No obvious centre to Linby village
	Overstretched local amenities
	Oversubscribed medical and care facilities
	Reduction in amount of green space
	Undermine local businesses
	Unsafe cycle routes
	Unsafe pedestrian routes
	<i>Other:</i>

12. When answering the next two questions, please assume that the Top Wighay and land north of Papplewick Lane site **will be developed**. Which **facilities** do you consider should be introduced or expanded? Please **tick one box** in **each row**.

	<i>Enough</i>	<i>Need More</i>	<i>Undecided</i>
Pre-school facilities e.g. nurseries, playgroups			
Pre-teen facilities e.g. cub scouts, junior sports			
Facilities for teens/young adults e.g. youth centre			
Facilities for older people e.g. social activities,			
Local schools			
Leisure facilities e.g. village hall, sports buildings			
Parks and play areas – informal and formal			
Health facilities e.g. GP surgery, dentists			
Allotments			
Areas for wildlife			
<i>Other:</i>			

13. What **improvements** are needed to **meet the demands** of future development in Linby?  
Please **rank** these. **1 = most important**.

	<i>Introduce</i>	<i>Expand</i>	<i>Undecided</i>
Improved parking facilities			
Improved roads			
Improved pavements			
Access to the Tram / NET			
<i>Other:</i>			

14. As you are aware there will be development in Linby in the next 5 - 20 years. This section asks you about the type of housing development that should be prioritized in Linby?  
Please **rank each** of these. **1 = Very Important** to **5 = Not important**. **6 = Unsure**.

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Flats						
Starter Homes (1 or 2 bedroom)						
Family homes (3, 4 & 5 bedroom)						
Bungalows						
Affordable housing						
<i>Other:</i>						

#### **What is affordable housing?**

Affordable housing includes social rented, affordable rented and intermediate housing (both for rent and sale), provided to eligible households whose needs are not met by the open market. Eligibility is determined with regards to local incomes and local house prices.

**About You**

We'd like to hear from as many residents as possible. Additional members of your household can download a printable copy from the Parish Council website.

Please provide us with the following information about you\*. This will help us to understand the pattern of response.

**Required information:**

Postcode

Age (please circle): under 16 / 17-24 / 25-40 / 41-64 / 65+

How many other people in the age categories live in your household?

Under 16 / 17	24 / 25	40 / 41	64 / 65+

How long have you lived in Linby? Years/ Months

Are you retired **Yes/No**

If you work, do you work in Linby? (please circle) **Yes / No / Not applicable**

If you work outside of Linby, where do you work?

**Optional information**

If you would like to provide any additional information to help us keep you informed about the Neighbourhood Plan as it progresses, please do so below:

House name or number:

Name:

Telephone number:

Email address:

**All information you provide will be held securely and in accordance with the Data Protection Act.**

If you would be interested in taking part in a discussion group on topics as we develop the Neighbourhood Plan please tick below:

Housing and design	
Green Spaces and Landscape	
Transport and Traffic	
Footpaths and Cycle ways	
Community Facilities	

**Thank you for completing the questionnaire. Please return the questionnaire by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016 to:**

Linby Neighbourhood Steering Group  
c/o 9, Main Street, Linby, NG15 8AE