



MADE IN KIBWORTH BY THE PEOPLE OF KIBWORTH

The Kibworth Neighbourhood Planning Group was formed in February 2014 to create a plan which will define the way in which our villages can develop in the future.

The group was made up of local people who invited experts in different fields to contribute. They were guided by Gary Kirk of Your Locale, a local organisation which specialises in neighbourhood planning.

Their work was supported and funded by Kibworth Beauchamp Parish Council, Kibworth Harcourt Parish Council, the Big Lottery and the Government.

The residents of the Kibworth villages voted at the Referendum on Thursday 25th January 2018 to support the Plan, which has also been approved by an independent Government Examiner and by Harborough District Council.

This means our Plan will be consulted whenever major development is proposed for this area.

As well as the formal policies in the Plan, the Group proposed an exciting and forward-looking set of initiatives in which we can all be involved.

This leaflet sets out those proposals, and suggests ways in which you can take part in making our villages the best they can be as places in which to work and to live, now and in the future.

Community Actions

The Kibworth villages' Neighbourhood Planning Group

Spring 2018

1 - School parking

The Parish Councils will investigate ways to provide and improve vehicle access and parking for parents, including purpose-built 'drop off' zones outside schools and children's nurseries.

2 - Adult education

The Parish Councils and the Kibworth Community Library Management Group will explore new ways of providing education in the library for employment and training.

3 - Sporting facilities

The parish councils in collaboration with the Joint Recreation Committee will identify centrally-placed park and green spaces for the development of community tennis courts and ball sports, and will explore ways in which funding can be obtained for these amenities.

4 - Parks and green spaces



The Parish Councils will identify space within parks and green spaces for the provision of public tennis courts, enhanced child play facilities, and areas for activities for younger teenagers; and will explore ways in which funding can be secured for these amenities.

5 - Kibworth Community Library



Kibworth Beauchamp Parish Council will continue to support the Library Management Group in providing accessible and viable library services including access to IT, learning for education, and training.

The library management committee will facilitate enhancements of the library building (subject to adequate funding) and services, and provide support and training for volunteers. The Parish Councils will encourage and support the recruitment of volunteers to enable the provision of enhanced library services.

6 - Flood management

The Parish Councils will work with landowners, developers, appropriate agencies and organisations to improve the current infrastructure with measures for managing and mitigating river, run-off and surface water flooding. Also, to use all appropriate strategies and works to reduce the rates of run-off and stream-flow through the settlements, including but not exclusively, the 're-wilding' of water courses, natural dams and tree-planting in the catchment area.

7 - Trees, woodland conservation, habitat creation

The Parish Councils, volunteer organisations and landowners will endeavour to secure land for planting with and subsequent management of new woodland.

The Parish Councils will aspire to achieving the Woodland Access Standards recommended by the Woodland Trust.

The Parish Councils will continue to identify and monitor woodland and trees of value for recommendation to the Planning Authority for Tree Preservation Orders. An agreed proportion of the area of suitable Public Open Spaces will be designated for new woodland planting and management.

8 - Community orchard

An area of a suitable Public Open Space will be adopted for creation and management of a community orchard in collaboration with the landowner and an appropriate advisory organisation and source of stock, e.g. Harborough Grafters & Growers.

9 - Biodiversity

The Parish Councils in conjunction with other bodies will prepare and keep updated an environmental inventory list of known sites of biodiversity interest;

The Parish Councils will actively seek to work with community groups, landowners and other organisations to enhance the biodiversity of the proposed wildlife corridor along the railway line between 'tin bridge' and the School Road bridge.

The Parish Councils will seek to work with community groups, landowners and other organisations to enhance the biodiversity of the area by habitat enhancement and/or creation on suitable parcels of land.

10 - Hedgerows



The Parish Councils will work with landowners, farmers, funding bodies and the community to survey, monitor, protect, enhance and manage hedgerow field boundaries, roadside hedgerows and others for the benefit of biodiversity, as valued landscape features and as a contribution to the area's green Infrastructure.

A survey will be conducted by community members to identify hedgerows of high biodiversity and historical significance to enable the best surviving examples to be proposed for listing as non-designated Heritage Assets.

11 - Open space, sport and recreation sites



The Parish Councils will support the community's wish for more open space, sport and recreation sites such as parks, gardens and facilities for young people, by working with developers, landowners and local authorities to create and maintain new ones.

12 - Footpaths and bridleways

The Parish Councils will monitor the condition of existing footpaths and bridleways, and work with the responsible Local Authority departments, the community and landowners to ensure that the network is maintained in a safe, useable condition. The Parish Councils will seek to work with landowners, Leicestershire County Council, the Canal and River Trust and other bodies to enhance the present walking routes in the area.

13 - Grand Union Canal in Kibworth Beauchamp

Measures to monitor and reduce input of pollutants, agricultural chemicals and sediment to the canal will be encouraged by the Parish Councils.

The Parish Councils will seek to work with landowners, the Canal and River Trust, Leicestershire County Council and other bodies to achieve enhancements to the present network of footpaths connecting Kibworth to the canal towpath, to create circular walking routes. The Canal and River Trust and the parishes will collaborate on promoting these paths and other features of the canal, and with other bodies to maintain the industrial history features of the canal.

14 - Car parking enforcement

The Parish Councils will work with Harborough District Council and Leicestershire County Council to ensure the enforcement of on-street parking regulations. Businesses will be asked to encourage employees avoid using on-street car parking places to the detriment of shoppers. The introduction of waiting restrictions within the built-up area will be explored.

15 - Improvements to road safety



Proposals to address safety concerns identified by parishioners will be supported. These will include:

- A pavement along Fleckney Road and Warwick Road linking the built-up area to the

football ground; allotments and garden centre.

- Enhanced lighting on the footpath and 'tin bridge' from the Primary School to Meadowbrook Road.
- New cycleways and footpaths, accessible to people with disabilities, linking village facilities and amenities.
- Clearer demarcation of the pavement on Albert Street adjoining Main Street.

JOIN US TO TURN THESE IDEAS INTO REALITY

These proposals are achievable only if we all work together. The parish councils are committed to making our villages the best they can be as places in which to work and to live, now and in the future, but we need your support.

Every resident and every organisation in the Kibworth villages can bring specific skills and experience which will help us achieve our aims.

Some of these projects will take time, and will need funding, but they are all achievable if we are determined to make them happen.

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You are welcome to join us at any of our monthly parish council meetings.

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