

Abbots Bromley Community consultation results

Neighbourhood Plan Survey Results

The Community Consultation was sent out to all residents of Abbots Bromley
159 responses were received and are shown below.

The community consultation covers 4 Parish Council priorities-

- 1. Traffic Plan**
- 2. Neighborhood Plan**
- 3. "Bromley Bulletin"**
- 4. Burial Ground**

Responses for the Neighbourhood Plan review Survey are summarized below.

Any new development - whether residential, commercial or industrial - will have an impact on things like demography, the built and the natural environment, education, public health, and transport.

Our Neighbourhood Plan (NP) was written to control these things in the village's best interests.

Abbots Bromley's Neighbourhood Plan (NP) was adopted in February 2023 but was actually drafted almost two years prior to that. It states what type of housing is needed to make Abbots Bromley sustainable, and also has policies relating to the impact housing development will have - policies such as Design and Heritage; Dwellings, Employment, and Community; Natural and Green Environment; and Transport and Infrastructure.

Since it was first drafted, though, things may have changed.

This is your opportunity to let us know whether the current NP meets today's needs.

Cllr Keith Baker

The Parish Council feels the time is right to review our NP policies.

What works? What needs amending? What needs adding? What needs deleting?

For example, you may feel that, with our current parking problems, Policy DAH2 (extensions to properties) ought to have an additional statement to the effect that adequate off-street parking should be maintained for properties that already have that facility.

A Neighbourhood Plan is a document agreed by the majority of the residents in the parish. We are therefore asking you for your thoughts about any changes to our NP.**

*** Please note: We have been informed that relatively minor changes to existing policies will not necessitate another referendum. Because of cost implications, the Parish Council will not, at this time, seek to add new policies.*

For any changes to the Neighbourhood Plan to be made, we need to prove they have the support of the community.

- Are you familiar with our Neighbourhood Plan?
YES =33% NO =11% PARTLY =56%
- Do you think the NP does enough to protect the village?

YES =24% NO =21% NOT SURE = 55%

- Do you think ESBC's planners support our NP through their planning decisions?

YES =6%NO = 42% DON'T KNOW =52%

- Would you support a restriction on the power of new outside lights in order to help protect nocturnal habits of wildlife and to help prevent nuisance to neighbours? (The Environmental Protection Act 1990 recommends a maximum of 2250 lumens for a security light)

YES = 75% NO =10% NOT SURE =15%

- Would you support a requirement to replace felled trees in our conservation area?

YES =83% NO =8% NOT SURE =9%

- Would you support an extension to the village settlement boundary in order to allow more housing development?

YES =4% NO =83% NOT SURE =13%

- Would you prefer new buildings/extensions to mirror the surroundings or to contrast?

MIRROR =80% CONTRAST =2% NOT SURE =18%

- Would you support a condition whereby new builds had to be wheelchair-user friendly (e.g. width of doorways and heights of some plug sockets)?

YES = 57% NO =23% NOT SURE = 26%

What other amendments or additions would you like to make to the current NP?

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN	
Extensions/new builds should incorporate	
a ref to adequate off-road parking	1
Support for solar panels on roofs but	
not on ground	1
Stipulate that only infill can be used	
for development	1
Need to remain a village and not	
become a town	1
Identify need/place for more car parking	2
Home extensions must have adequate	
parking spaces	1
More Affordable housing	3
New builds in Conservation areas should	
Incorporate chimneys into designs	1
Need public toilets	1
Garages shouldn't count as parking space	
for new builds	1
Regulate housing density re infills	1
More bungalows	1
Identify the need for more infrastructure	
such as parking, education, healthcare	1
No deviations allowed from NP policies	1

PC website needs to make clear the adopted	
NP as opposed to the draft NP	1
Add need for provision of allotments	1
Add need for larger surgery	1
Identify open areas/green spaces	1
Quiet Lanes policy	1
Do not add allocated development sites	1
Enforcement of NP is essential, as is quality	
of building materials	1
All planning changes should be assessed	
against safety needs of infirm and children.	1

The Abbots Bromley Parish Council
is most grateful to you for
completing these questionnaires.

With many thanks to “Top Shop” and “Antlers” for accepting completed booklets
Keith Baker