



Heacham - Our Village - Our future



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Dear Resident of Heacham Parish

We hope by now you have heard of the Neighbourhood Plan for Heacham, which was launched on 28th April 2017. The Neighbourhood Plan is being drawn up by residents working with your parish councillors. We want everyone to have their say.

This questionnaire is the next stage in the programme of public consultation, following the consultation events held on the 21st October 2017 and 7th July 2018, and it reflects the inputs and suggestions you have given us.

We are distributing one paper copy of the questionnaire per household and we hope everyone will complete it. We would like every villager to express a view so if there is more than one person in your household you can download more copies for yourselves from the Neighbourhood Plan website

www.heachamplan.co.uk,

or you can obtain more copies from the Parish Council office, or Heacham library.

Production and distribution of the questionnaire is being funded through a grant made by the **Neighbourhood Planning and Community Buildings programme**.

Please return your completed questionnaire to:

Heacham Neighbourhood Planning Group,
c/o Parish Council Office, Pound Lane, Heacham

Or put it in one of the boxes at

- **Heacham library**
- **Post Office**
- **McColls**
- **Jennings Store**

Please return your completed questionnaire by Friday 14th December 2018

Confidentiality and Anonymity

DATA PROTECTION ACT, for the purposes of the Data Protection Act 1998, Heacham Parish Council is the Data Controller. Any information you provide will be treated as strictly confidential and the information you provide will only be used for the purposes of developing the Heacham Neighbourhood Plan. The information you provide will not be shared with any other party, but please note that any comments you provide may appear in anonymised form in the published results. If you have any queries about the survey, please contact the Parish Clerk, (Parish Council Data Protection Officer). If you require any further information about the Data Protection Act, please contact the Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or call their helpline on 0303 123 1113 (local rate – calls to this number cost the same as calls to 01 or 02 numbers).

Heacham Neighbourhood Plan Area

On the 19th May 2017 the Borough Council of Kings Lynn and West Norfolk designated Heacham Parish a Neighbourhood Area.

The map below shows the boundaries of the Parish, and the area that the Heacham Neighbourhood Plan relates to.



Sustainability

In making this Neighbourhood Plan, for the period 2018 - 2036, Heacham Parish Council is aiming to create good conditions for sustainability to ensure that our community is balanced and fit to thrive into the future, in line with the 5 guiding principles set out in the UK Sustainable Development Strategy, Securing the Future:

1. Living within the planet's environmental limits:

- Building houses, work and leisure premises achieving designated energy conservation standards, ideally energy neutral
- Generating, within the parish, more of the energy required for the communities
- Making provision for growing more of our own food
- Improve provisions for protecting our historic buildings, our natural environment and green spaces, and our valued views so these assets are not lost
- Making safer provision for walking, cycling and public/local transport so that we use cars less

2. Ensuring a strong, healthy and just society:

- Doing those things that are necessary with housing, jobs and leisure facilities to attract young families to the area, thereby significantly lowering the average age profile in our village
- Mixing housing local people can afford and open market housing so as to encourage the development of diverse communities
- Making sure there are facilities for people of every age and ability

3. Achieving a sustainable economy:

- Improving mobile phone services and getting fast broadband
- Building new premises for light industry, craft or retail businesses
- Attracting young adults to stay in or come to the area so that our workforce grows
- Encouraging the use of our local trades and suppliers

4. Promoting good governance:

- Working in a positive, proactive and open manner in all local government / parish council matters
- Inviting people to participate in making things happen
- Listening to residents' views and acting on them
- Working in a positive, proactive and open manner in all voluntary group activities

5. Using sound science responsibly:

- Making sure that policies are formulated and tested on the basis of strong scientific evidence as well as local people's views and values

Do you broadly agree with the sustainability objectives shown?

Yes No

Housing in the Parish

Q1 What in your opinion would be the ideal size of *each* housing development that could be given priority between now and 2036?

No more than 4 houses

Between 5 and 15 houses

Between 16 and 30 houses

More than 30 houses

Other – please specify

Q2 Considering that the village needs a variety of different types of property to meet a variety of needs, please rank the following with 1 being the size you think we need most of and 5 being the size of house we need least of;

Starter houses/flats (1-2 bedrooms)

Social housing/flats (1-3 bedrooms)

Family houses (3 or more bedrooms)

Executive houses (4 or more bedrooms)

Bungalows/easy access homes (1-3 bedrooms)

Supported housing/retirement homes (1-2 bedrooms)

Q3 Heacham has to accommodate more housing, what sort of development would you prefer to see in the village?

Built on larger development sites

Built in small cul-de-sacs

Built alongside through roads

Q4 What proportion of new homes do you think should be affordable to local people on average incomes?

70% 40%

60% 30%

50% 20%

Q5 Do you think there should be a limit on holiday lets/second homes in the village?

Yes

No

Q6 If yes, what should be the maximum percentage?

80% 40%

70% 30%

60% 20%

50% 10%

Q7 Our village already reflects a mix of traditional and modern housing designs. What features would you like to see reflected in future housing design for the village? Please rank the following with 1 being the most important to you and 6 being the least important to you;

Building design that respects the scale and style of existing buildings

High levels of energy conservation in new buildings

Use of eco-friendly building materials and techniques

Use of traditional building materials

Modern building styles and materials

Q8 Footprint of house compared with size of plot. This question is asking you to consider how much space there should be around houses, how much garden and drive you would like to see. How much of an individual plot should be covered by the house and associated buildings?

Less than a quarter Three quarters

A quarter Half

Three quarters More than three quarters

Other, please specify

Q9 Parking. New developments of necessity need parking for vehicles (cars, boats etc.) How many off road parking spaces do you think should be provided for each house?

Q10 Thinking about the structure of developments, should styles of houses (such as modern/traditional, bungalow/house etc.) be kept together or mixed up?

Grouped together

Intermingled

Q11 What do you think are the most important planning issues affecting our Parish?

Jobs and the Economy

Q12 Should more land be allocated to encourage employment?

Yes

No

Q13 What types of employment would you like to see being encouraged locally? Please check all that apply.

Tourism, leisure and crafts

Caravans/Glamping other holiday accommodation

Shops – retail

Financial and professional services, including high-tech businesses

Pubs, restaurants and cafes

Community services, including public and private care services

Agriculture related

Light industrial

Other, please specify

Q14 Should existing employment sites be protected from changes of use, eg shop to house?

Yes

No

Q15 What do you think would encourage new businesses to locate in the Parish? (Please check all that apply)

More purpose-built premises

Better Broadband/ mobile phone reception

Improved road/network access

Other, please specify

Traffic, Transport and Access

Q16 Do any of the following aspects of road traffic in the Parish give you concern?
(Please check all those that apply)

Junctions (please detail which in the comments box below)

Traffic volumes

Traffic speed

Traffic noise

Size of vehicles

Pedestrian safety

Junctions:

Q17 Is there a need for land to be allocated for car parking?

Yes

No

If yes, please say what is needed and where you think this could be best achieved

Protecting and preserving our natural environment

Q18 Which of the following ways of protecting and enhancing local heritage and the natural environment are important to you? Please check all that apply

Maintaining clear space between Heacham and Hunstanton and other neighbouring Parishes

Improved measures for the conservation of historic or listed buildings and features

More green space and gardens within the village

Improved protection of the natural environment, eg ancient woodland, wildlife habitats, sites of special scientific interest etc

Protecting important views and vistas

Other, please specify

Q19 Would you be prepared to pay an increase in the Parish Council element of your Council Tax, to enable the Parish Council to employ someone to take over responsibility for grass cutting, hedge cutting and verge maintenance?

Yes

No

Improving community services

Q20 How would you rate the following services in terms of meeting the current and future needs of the local community? Please check one in each row

	Good	Adequate	Needs improvement	No Opinion
Fire Service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Police	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GP Practice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community library	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure/recreational facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Facilities for young people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hall facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Access for disabled people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public footpaths	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mobile phone reception	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Broadband	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Q21 Are there any other services you would like to be available in Heacham?

And finally....

Information about you

This will help us to understand the views of different groups within our parish and to determine how representative the results are of the community as a whole.

Are you?

Male

Female

How old are you?

18-24

25-44

45-64

65-74

75+

What is your postcode?

Is this your main residence?

Yes

No

How long have you lived in the Parish?

1-3 years

3-5 years

6-10 years

over 10 years

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire.

You will have a chance to talk about this further with us at one of our open days. Keep an eye on the Heacham Newsletter, or Neighbourhood Plan Facebook page for further information.

We will consult on the final document before you get the opportunity to vote on its acceptance; if we could send it to you by email it would be very helpful, so if you have one please provide your email address.

Email (optional):