



Wolston Neighbourhood Plan Survey

Dear Resident,

We, the Neighbourhood Plan Co-Ordination Team, made up of local volunteers, have produced this survey for our community. Using results from our 'Mood Cards' and other comments that have been collected from members of our community via our public meetings and event stands, the survey asks further questions about the issues that are most common in our neighbourhood.

The results from the Survey will be vital to our evidence base which forms the foundations of our Neighbourhood Development Plan which will remain in effect, alongside Rugby Borough Councils Local Plan, until 2031. We would like every resident above 16 years of age, to complete one each - two copies are included in this envelope. You can download additional copies online or request more by calling or texting the number at the bottom of this page. Please also encourage your fellow residents to complete and return it.

A Neighbourhood Plan is a significant material planning consideration, carrying great weight in planning decisions.

"Neighbourhood planning gives communities direct power to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of their local area. They are able to choose where they want new homes, shops and offices to be built, have their say on what those new buildings should look like and what infrastructure should be provided, and grant planning permission for the new buildings they want to see go ahead."

Source: www.gov.uk/guidance/neighbourhood-planning--2

A Neighbourhood Plan isn't about stopping growth, but is about ensuring that we take the opportunity to have *proportionate, sympathetic and sustainable organic* growth that fulfils our community needs. Neighbourhood Plans are already proving influential in other parishes where they have been successful in preventing inappropriate forms of development. The plans can also include visions and aspirations about amenities, green spaces, transport, employment, village tourism, initiatives to protect existing local features and services and identify priorities for new developments and enhancements.

What happens if we do not create a plan? Simply put, Rugby Borough Council will have direct control over all development in the Parish. We will not have a say. However RBC are keen for us to have a plan and are committed (and legally obliged) to work with us to help develop the plan.

This is your chance to have a say about the future of Wolston.

The time to act is now – Our Wolston, Our Choice.

Thank you. We really appreciate your help. We look forward to giving you the results!

The Neighbourhood Plan Co-Ordination Team

Our representatives will collect your completed Survey

the weekend of the 9th - 10th December

or drop it off in one of the secure boxes inside the **Library, Surgery** and **The Rose & Crown**
or you may use the **FREEPOST address** (details at the end of the survey)

Your responses are completely confidential; no individual or household will be identifiable from the survey. The questionnaires in sealed envelopes will be collected by a representative of the Neighbourhood Plan Team (personally or via secure drop off box) unless posted, and sent to an independent company for processing. Stratford District Council (who do work in this field) will undertake the analysis and write the final report.

For help completing and returning this survey or to request additional copies, please call or text our helpline on:

0745 382 0 382

You can also visit www.wolstonvillage.co.uk to download and print extra copies