Vote Yes for your Barby and Onley Neighbourhood Plan

Vote on THURSDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER
7.00AM TO 10.00PM
At Barby and Onley Village Halls
Polling cards for the Barby and Onley Neighbourhood Plan will soon start to drop through residents’ letterboxes in preparation for the Adoption Referendum on Thursday 29th September. The referendum is the culmination of over 2 years work by the Steering Group set up by your Parish Council. You will be able to vote at Barby or Onley Village Halls whichever is your normal polling station.

The Neighbourhood Development Plan for Barby and Onley has already gone through several phases of public consultation & discussions which are summarised as follows.

The initial consultation took place in January 2014 when ideas for inclusion in the Plan were collected at a public meeting.

- A second public meeting was held in March 2014 when the Steering Group was formed.
- This was followed by a Village Survey in October 2014 and the committee then created a Draft Neighbourhood Plan with the help of Kirkwells, Chartered Town Planners.
- The Plan was then further refined by Local Public Consultation in October 2015 and a Daventry District Council Public Consultation in February 2016.
The resultant Plan was then subject to an examination by an Independent Examiner (Janet Cheesley) to ensure that it complied with the all the local, District, County and National Planning guidelines and policies. The final Neighbourhood Plan is now available on the website (http://www.barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk/BarbyOnley/neighbourhood_plan-8339.aspx) and has been approved by Daventry District Council to proceed to a local referendum.

The Referendum Question will be: -
“Do you want Daventry District Council to use the neighbourhood plan for Barby and Onley to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?”

With the choice to vote YES or NO.

If at least 50% of referendum voters vote YES then the Barby and Onley Neighbourhood Plan becomes a legal reference document that will have to be referred to alongside Daventry District Council’s Local Plan as part of the local planning process.

In addition, if the Neighbourhood Plan is approved at the referendum then Barby and Onley Parish Council will receive 25% of any Community Infrastructure Levy raised on new developments in the Parish (if it is not approved then this will decrease to 15%).

The main elements of the Plan are as follows:

**The Vision for Barby and Onley**

In the future Barby and Onley will be a Parish that retains and enhances its rural form and character, maintains existing amenities and services and maintains its separation from the surrounding villages whilst developing in an organic and sustainable way that meets the needs and wishes of all who live and work in it.
**Our objectives**

**Design, Natural and Built Environment**
1. To protect and preserve the size, form and character of the Parish
2. To maintain the separation of the Parish from the surrounding settlements
3. To protect and enhance the local landscape and significant views
4. To protect and enhance open and green spaces

**Housing**

5. To ensure any new housing is small scale and includes a range of house sizes and types.

**Traffic and Highways**

6. To reduce traffic problems and improve highway safety
7. To improve walking and cycling
8. To improve parking at the school

**Employment**

9. To support home working and small business

**Community Facilities and Infrastructure**

10. To protect and enhance community assets
11. To ensure that proper infrastructure is in place for all new development

Limited hard copies of the Final Neighbourhood plan are available for short term loan from any of the Steering Group members (see below) or the Parish Council Clerk, Catherine Camp. A copy is also available at either Village Hall and Barby Post Office as well as the Parish Council website.

**Your Vote is important and it is essential that in order that the Plan is taken into consideration in deciding planning applications that you vote Yes in the forthcoming referendum.**

**Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group members**

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