The draft Neighbourhood Plan and supporting documents are available at:

www.marlborough-tc.gov.uk

You can send your comments to:

enquiries@marlborough-tc.gov.uk

This consultation runs as follows:

18 January - 8 March 2021

If you need a hard copy of the Plan or would like to comment by letter or need more information, please contact the Town Council at:

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Marlborough with Manton Mildenhall Savernake

## **PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

## WE NEED YOUR VIEWS

Notification of formal consultation on the Marlborough Area Neighbourhood Plan (Regulation 14 Town and Country Planning, England, Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012)



Thank you to all those who let us have their views in response to previous informal consultations about land use in Marlborough, Manton, Mildenhall and Savernake. All of those comments were taken into consideration to formulate the draft Marlborough Area Neighbourhood Plan and we are now in the first formal consultation stage where we are asking you to comment on it. This is known as Regulation 14 in the legal process.

As a reminder, our Neighbourhood Plan is a planning document with legal status and will be used as part of the planning application process for new developments or changes to existing buildings. It also provides a good reference document when considering other community matters. It aims to meet the needs of our community arising from public consultations and surveys:

- Affordable housing for those, of all ages, who can not afford open market housing
- Community infrastructure: parking spaces, medical centre, cemetery capacity, sports facilities
- Protection of our natural environment
- Landscapes in the surrounding area
- Open spaces within our communities
- Protection of our heritage: listed buildings, historical sites, buildings of special interest
- Protection against speculative and unwanted developments.

## It covers the years up to 2036



















The Plan has been produced over the last four years by a Steering Group of local councillors, community representatives and residents with support from consultants - ONeillHomer, Cobweb Consulting and People & Places.

Sometimes different community needs can be conflicting, such as the wish for more affordable housing, but a desire to keep our green spaces. In the Plan, using firm evidence, we have tried to retain the right balance to give the best overall outcome for everyone.

Statutory consultees are being contacted and we need our communities' views too. Please read the draft Plan, along with its supporting evidence, and **let us know what you think.** 

Wiltshire Council's consultation on its Local Plan is running too. This is a different more strategic document, but will be influenced by our Neighbourhood Plan and this consultation.

Following this first formal public consultation, the Plan will be reviewed and passed with its supporting documents to Wiltshire Council where it is checked against legislation (this part of the legal process is Regulation 15). Responsibility then rests with Wiltshire Council which will undertake a further formal consultation (known as Regulation 16) before the Plan is subject to formal examination by an Independent Examiner. Following any amendments, the Plan will go to a local referendum later in the year, when COVID regulations allow. With a majority yes vote, the Neighbourhood Plan is 'made' and becomes part of the statutory development plan for our area.