

Welford on Avon Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire – March 2013

Before completing this questionnaire please read the accompanying briefing leaflet which summarises why your views are being sought. This questionnaire is stage 2 of the process outlined on page 3 of the leaflet by which our community can identify key issues and opinions around planning which will then be reflected in the Neighbourhood Plan for Welford.

About You	
Understanding the profile of our respondents will help us determine the priority of issues from different groups. Individual responses from every adult (age 18 and over) would be ideal but you may prefer to submit a household response.	
Q1. I am answering as an (please tick one only) <input type="radio"/> Individual Resident <input type="radio"/> Residential Household Individual Resident: if you personally live within the Welford on Avon parish boundary Residential Household: if your household live within the Welford on Avon parish boundary	Q2. Your postcode <input type="text"/>
Q3. Age profile of yourself/household (please indicate the number of people in each relevant box) <input type="text"/> 0-17 <input type="text"/> 18-24 <input type="text"/> 25-44 <input type="text"/> 45-64 <input type="text"/> 65+	Q4. Years living in the village (longest if answering for a household) <input type="text"/>
<p>The ability to follow up on survey responses may help the Welford team refine and clarify issues to more precisely reflect the wishes of residents. Once the Welford team complete the Neighbourhood plan any email address list collected for survey and plan purposes will be deleted.</p> <p>The Parish Council would separately like to collect email addresses to enable it to contact residents more quickly and as a group. The Clerk to the Parish Council who maintains the list of email addresses for the Parish Council is a registered controller under the Data Protection Act 1998.</p> <p>The following question is therefore optional for paper/physical responses and <u>not</u> part of the survey</p>	
Email address <input type="text"/>	
Please tick all that apply <input type="radio"/> I consent to my email address being used in connection with the Neighbourhood Plan <input type="radio"/> I consent to my email address being added to the Parish Council email list	

Additional copies of the printed questionnaire can be downloaded from

<http://www.welford.org.uk>

where you will also find a link to the online version which we would encourage residents to use.

You can call the Welford Team on 07561 062324 with any queries, please leave your contact details and if you are phoning to request additional survey copies how many you require and we will arrange for them to be delivered. We will get back to you as soon as we can.

Details on how to submit your response are provided at the end of the questionnaire.

General Housing

Stratford-on-Avon District Council (SDC) draft Core Strategy in its current form determines a total number of 2,800 new dwellings are required across local service villages (of which Welford is one) before the year 2028. However, no single development can normally exceed more than 2% of the existing housing stock of the parish, so in Welford with approximately 600 dwellings any single new development should not exceed 12 dwellings. It is non-negotiable that some development will occur so we need to take a parish view on the best location for these homes, the type and the timing of their building, taking into account access, neighbouring properties, services, sustainability, infrastructure and environmental impact.

On the centre pages you will find two maps, the first of which shows 19 locations within the village boundary identified by SDC. You can select any or none of these WE01-WE19 locations in your choices across the whole Parish (which is shown on the second map) not just within the village boundary. The named locations are provided for background information and to aid identification only, not to influence your choices of location.

<p>Q5. Where would you MOST like dwellings to be built within the whole Parish (<i>please list in priority order up to 4 selections</i>)?</p>	<p>1. 2. 3. 4</p>
<p>Q6. Where would you LEAST like dwellings to be built within the whole Parish (<i>please list in priority order up to 4 selections</i>)?</p>	<p>1. 2. 3. 4.</p>
<p>Q7. Who should be deciding the preferred development locations in Welford? (<i>please tick only one box</i>)</p>	<p> <input type="radio"/> Welford residents/Welford Parish Council <input type="radio"/> Stratford District Council (SDC) <input type="radio"/> Other (please specify) <input type="text"/> </p>
<p>Q8. What is your view on the rate at which the development of new properties should be delivered?</p>	<p>Build in years 2013-2017 <input type="text"/> %</p> <p>Build in years 2018-2022 <input type="text"/> %</p> <p>Build in years 2023-2028 <input type="text"/> %</p> <p><i>Please ensure the total comes to 100%</i></p>
<p>Q9. What mix of new properties you would like to see in Welford ? For your information SDC identifies the District priorities as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 and 3 bedroom family homes • 1 bedroom flats • bungalows 	<p> <input type="text"/> % 1 Bedroom Flat <input type="text"/> % 2+ Bedroom Flat <input type="text"/> % 2 Bedroom Home <input type="text"/> % 3 Bedroom Home <input type="text"/> % 4 Bedroom Home <input type="text"/> % Bungalow <input type="text"/> % 5+ Bedroom Home <input type="text"/> % Other (please specify) <input type="text"/> </p> <p><i>Please ensure the total comes to 100%</i></p>

<p>Q10. Would you like to see housing provided for any particular group (<i>please tick all that apply</i>) ?</p>	<p> <input type="radio"/> Sheltered accommodation <input type="radio"/> Elderly (exc sheltered) <input type="radio"/> Disabled <input type="radio"/> Young <input type="radio"/> People with Welford roots <input type="radio"/> Other (please specify) <input type="radio"/> No preference <input type="text"/> </p>
<p>Q11. Please rate your view on allowing infilling/single garden development i.e. building on a domestic garden (<i>please tick only one box</i>).</p>	<p>Totally Against <input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/> Fully Supportive</p>
<p>Q12. Please rate your view on allowing demolition of an existing building and replacement of it by a larger building (<i>please tick only one box</i>).</p>	<p>Totally Against <input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/> Fully Supportive</p>

<p>Affordable Housing New build sites of 5 or more dwellings must deliver a minimum of 35% of the proposed total residential floor space as affordable housing. Affordable housing is defined by the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) as social rented, affordable rented and intermediate housing, provided to eligible households whose needs are not met by the market. Affordable housing as defined by the Government is NOT low cost market housing. In 2008 the Welford Housing Needs survey identified the need for 17 affordable houses which was updated in 2012 to add an additional 4 houses with priority for purchase by local people. Since 2008 no affordable homes have been built in Welford.</p>	
<p>Q13. Please rate the importance of building affordable housing (as defined above) in Welford (<i>please tick only one box</i>)</p>	<p>Not at all important <input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/> Very Important</p>

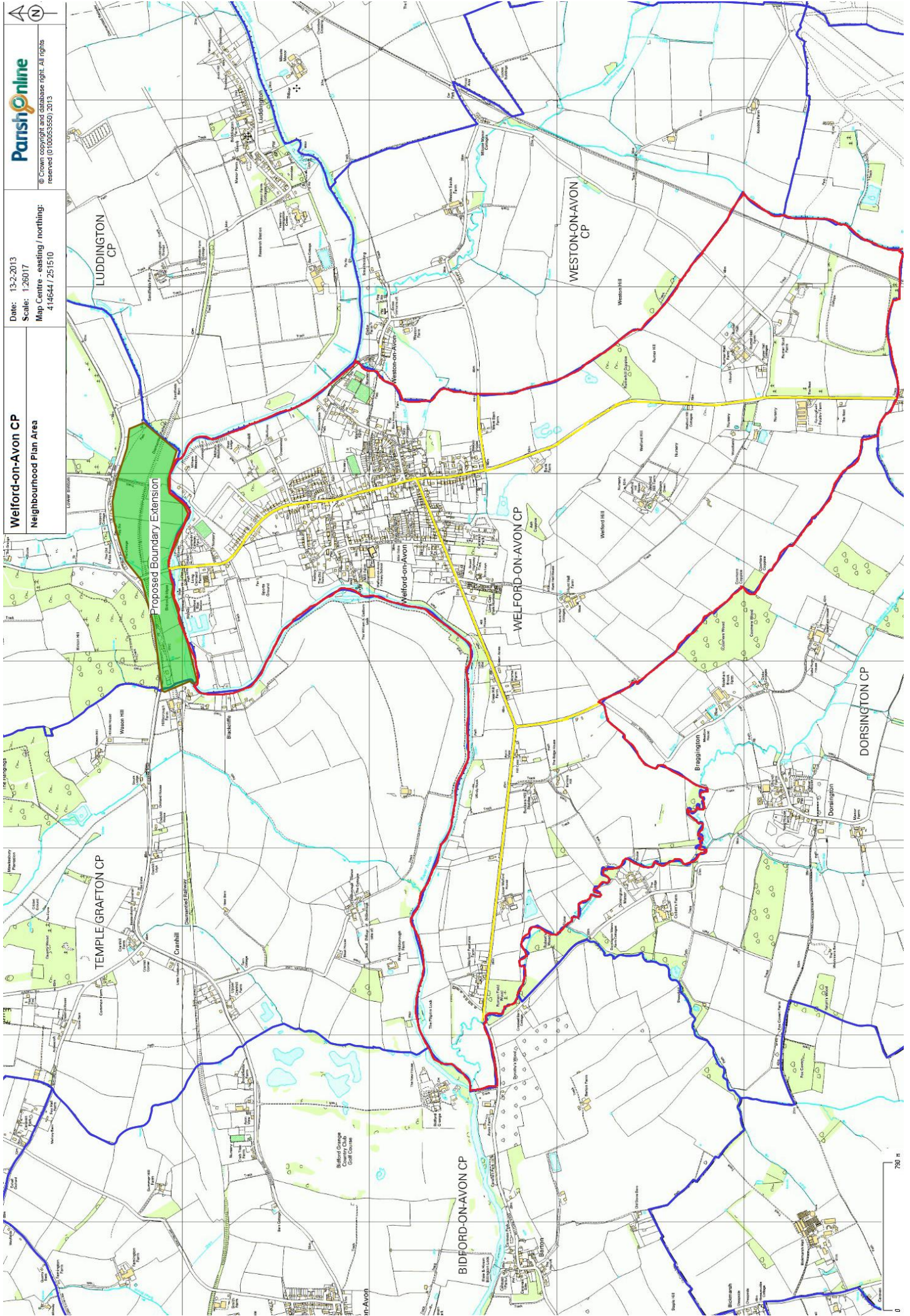
<p>Business Premises In addition to the housing needs already highlighted, economic development is strongly supported by the NPPF, we would like to capture your preferred locations for this type of development. In the same manner as for dwellings you can select any or none of these WE01-WE19 locations in your choice of preferred locations for businesses within the whole Parish (which is shown on the second map) not just within the village boundary. Please remember the named locations are provided for background information and to aid identification only, not to influence your choices of location.</p>	
<p>Q14. Where would you MOST like small business units to be built within the Parish (<i>please list in priority order up to 4 selections</i>)?</p>	<p>1. 2. 3. 4.</p>
<p>Q15. Where would you LEAST like small business units to be built within the Parish (<i>please list in priority order up to 4 selections</i>)?</p>	<p>1. 2. 3. 4.</p>

This map highlights 19 potential areas for development within Welford on Avon Parish and village boundary identified by Stratford-upon-Avon District Council. This is provided for background information, you are not restricted to or required to select any of these areas. You should select wherever you prefer as answer to questions 5, 6, 14 and 15. You are also very welcome to additionally annotate either map in this document to explain your preferences.



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The map on the next page shows the existing Parish area and boundary (in red) plus the additional land between the northern bank of the River Avon and the B439 Bidford-Stratford road. This area marked as Proposed Boundary Extension has been added to the Neighbourhood Plan area and the Parish Council is additionally seeking to have it permanently included within the Parish boundary.



Proposed Boundary Extension

LUDDINGTON CP

WESTON-ON-AVON CP

WELFORD-ON-AVON CP

DORSINGTON CP

BIDFORD-ON-AVON CP

TEMPLE GRAFTON CP

750 ft

Funding

In a village like Welford with such a strong community spirit if the residents and businesses want something done it should be achievable. Sometimes developers offer financial compensation to the local community to help gain approval for their plans.

Q16. What areas would you like the Parish Council to focus on delivering by utilising compensation it may receive or seek to influence when it cannot fund directly (Please choose up to 5 funding areas and rank them from 1 – top priority to 5) ?

Funding Area	Priority
Allotment Facilities	
Alternative Energy Sources (community based not individual households)	
Binton Bridges (weight control, cameras)	
Broadband (fibre upgrade/speed improvement)	
Bus Service (service continuity, improvement)	
Business Support (small business centre)	
Business Support (start-up subsidies, business club)	
Childrens Play Area	
Community Public House (if the Shakespeare is not reopened)	
Drainage & Sewerage	
Electrical Power (improved resilience)	
Flood Protection/ Defences	
Footpaths/Cycleways/Bridleways (improvement, maintenance)	
Gas (new gas main)	
Land acquisition (to control future development)	
Mobile Phone (improved signal coverage and 4G service)	
Parking Facilities (around Maypole area)	
Parking Restrictions (around Maypole area)	
Recreation Space (non-sports development)	
Religious Facilities	
Road signage improvement	
School Facilities	
Sports Facilities (Indoor)	
Sports Facilities (Outdoor including general sports recreation)	
Street Lighting (Selective locations)	
Traffic Management (speed control, cameras)	
Village Hall (new)	
Wildlife Habitats	
Youth Club (development of facilities for teenagers)	
<i>Please add your funding area here</i>	
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Q17. Is there any improvement to the village which you feel is sufficiently important that you would consider making a funding contribution or joining a community purchase or development initiative? If yes, please tell us.

Sustainability and the Local Environment

Any planned development now has to be sustainable. The government defines sustainable development within the planning context through the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) as having:

- **an economic role** – contributing to building a strong, responsive and competitive economy, by ensuring that sufficient land of the right type is available in the right places and at the right time to support growth and innovation; and by identifying and coordinating development requirements, including the provision of infrastructure;
- **a social role** – supporting strong, vibrant and healthy communities, by providing the supply of housing required to meet the needs of present and future generations; and by creating a high quality built environment, with accessible local services that reflect the community’s needs and support its health, social and cultural well-being; and
- **an environmental role** – contributing to protecting and enhancing our natural, built and historic environment; and, as part of this, helping to improve biodiversity, use natural resources prudently, minimise waste and pollution, and mitigate and adapt to climate change including moving to a low carbon economy.

Q18. Do you support the principle of new dwelling development on rural land (land outside the village boundary) which has not been developed previously (*please tick one box only*)?

Yes No No strong view

Q19. Within the context of housing, businesses and/or infrastructure please let us know what you would consider sustainable development and how you would like to see it implemented?

Q20. Are there any environmental activities which you would like to see Welford adopt or even areas where we could take the initiative which will contribute to the sustainability of our village as defined above?

Specific Questions

The Welford team have selected a couple of issues which we feel merit targeted questions.

Q21. There are 26 licensed park homes at Longcast Park, Barton Rd (permanent/main residences). Four other sites have a total of 148 licensed holiday caravans (which cannot be main residences and have occupancy permitted which varies by site up to 11 months a year) within the Parish. What is your view on the quantity of this type of accommodation (*please tick one box only*) ?

Too few
 About right
 Too many

Q22. There is a presumption against building in the flood plain especially for dwellings. This can mean land adjacent to existing roads in the flood plain remains undeveloped or unused. What is your view on potential sustainable uses for this land? The flood plain is clearly marked on the first map on page 4.

Any other items

Q23. Whilst the survey has endeavoured to ask open questions there may be one or more planning related issues which have not been covered. Perhaps an area of land has been overlooked which could be developed. Please use this opportunity to bring up any additional items related to planning which should be considered.

Please return the questionnaire in one of the ways below:

- This survey is available online from a link at <http://www.welforward.org.uk> if you are happy to complete the survey electronically. This saves Welforward data input costs and reduces possible errors in transcription. The survey has been independently built by and is run by Warwick Network.
- Physical copies can be posted using the envelope provided to Warwick Network which will require a Second Class stamp. This option will minimise Welforward's costs. Alternatively you may use the reply paid envelope addressed to Stratford District Council who will pass the envelopes unopened directly to Warwick Network.
- To ensure complete impartiality the data analysis will be performed on behalf of Welforward by Warwick Network who are the only people who will see the individual completed questionnaires.

The Welforward team have requested the complete collated anonymous responses are made available publicly on completion of the Neighbourhood Plan in 2014 to provide total transparency and to allow future analysis.

If you have any questions you can contact the Welforward team by email at info@welforward.org.uk or by calling 07561 062324 and leaving a message so one of the team can get back to you.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR THE SURVEY TO BE RECEIVED IS 30TH APRIL 2013.