

**MONKS KIRBY**

**NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT DROP-IN**

**EVENT**

**1 MAY 2022**

**CONSULTATION ANALYSIS**



# 1. Background

## Project Brief

Monks Kirby Parish Council through its Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee organised an open event at the Village Hall on 1 May 2022 (11:00 am – 3:00 pm) to share the emerging policies in the Neighbourhood Plan with those who live and work in the Parish.

The aim of this event was to see whether or not the local community supported the emerging policies – including ones on housing, Local Green Space and environment; community facilities; design; transport and business.

## Publicity

The drop-in event was promoted by posters across Monks Kirby.



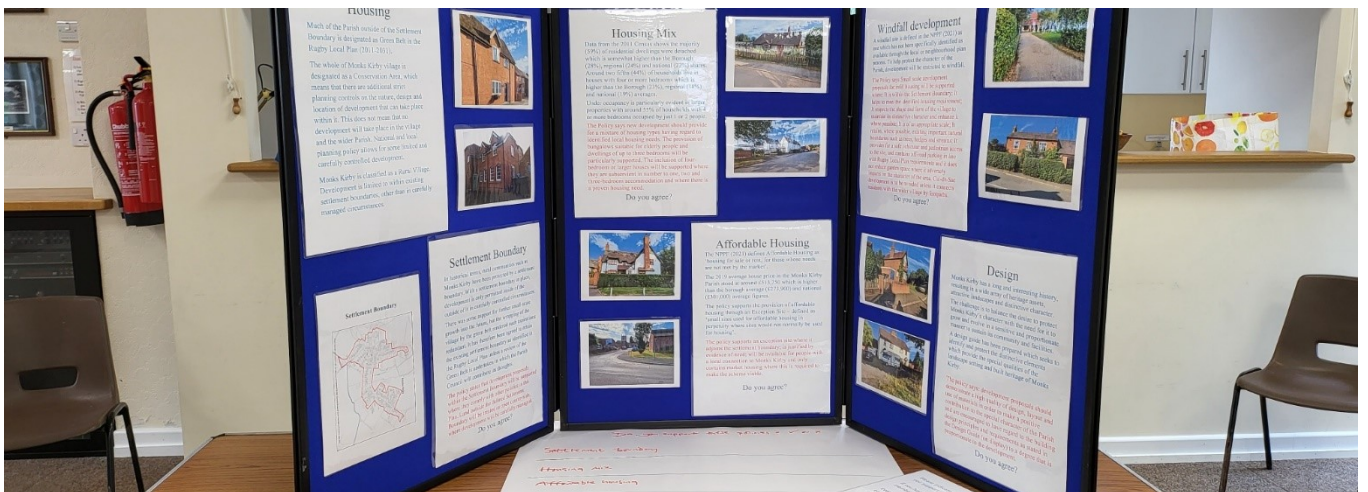
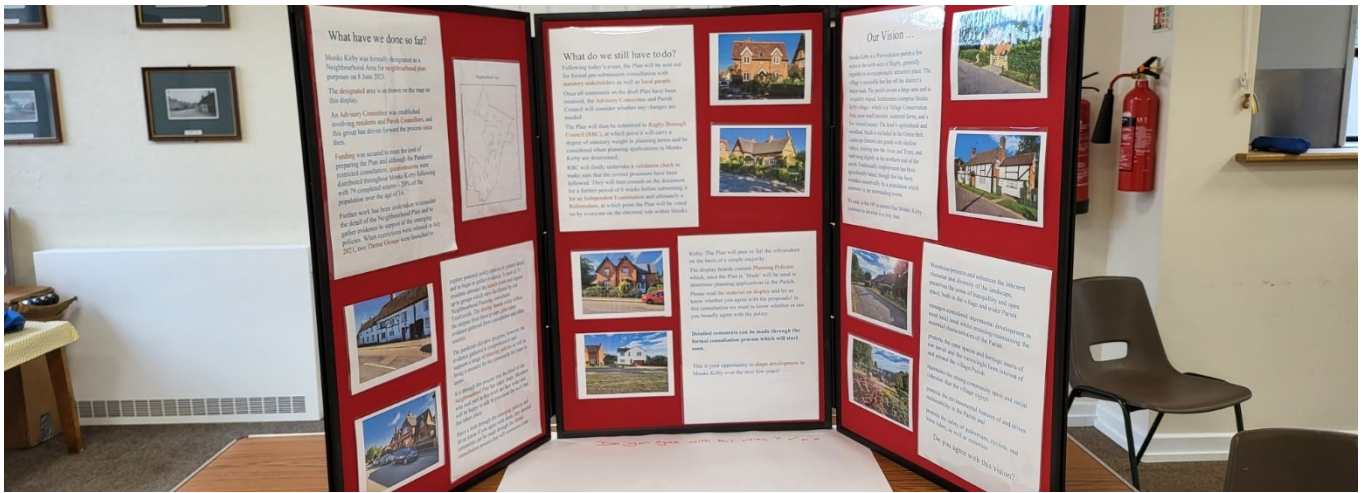
## List of attendees

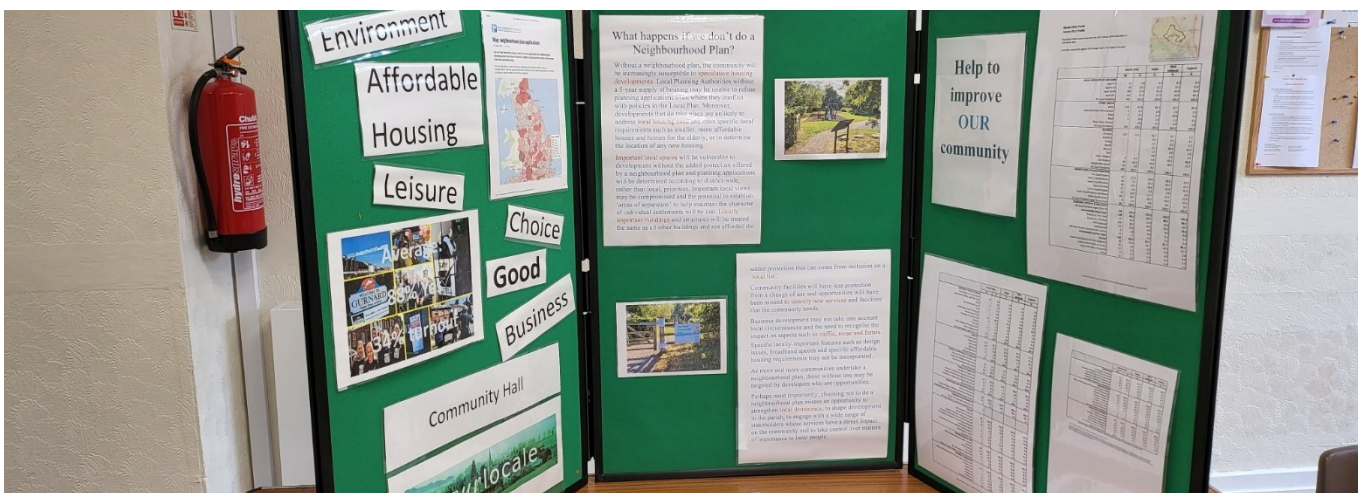
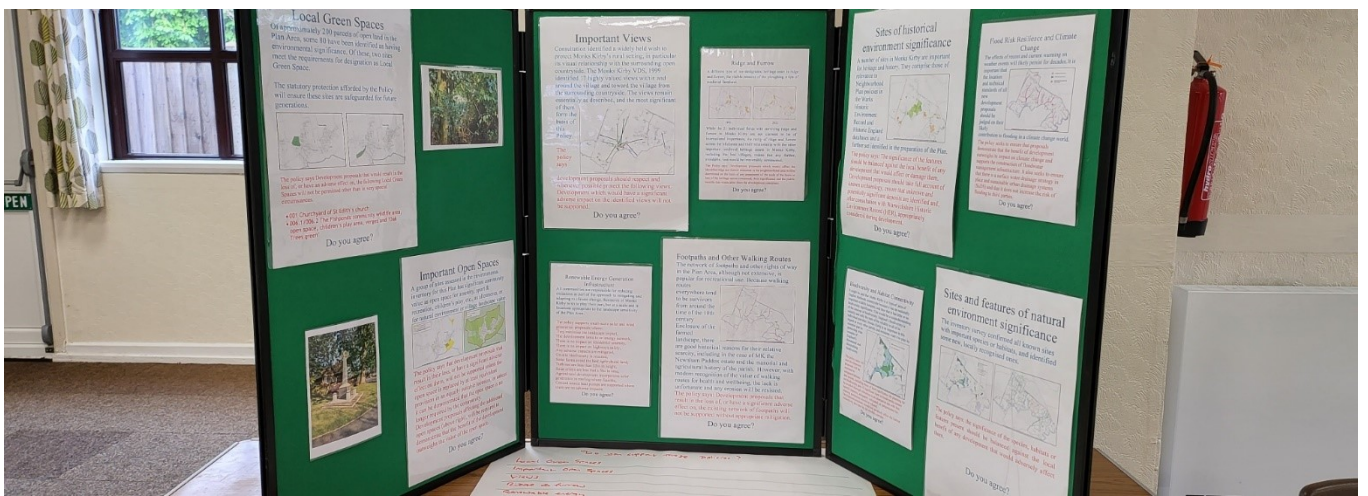
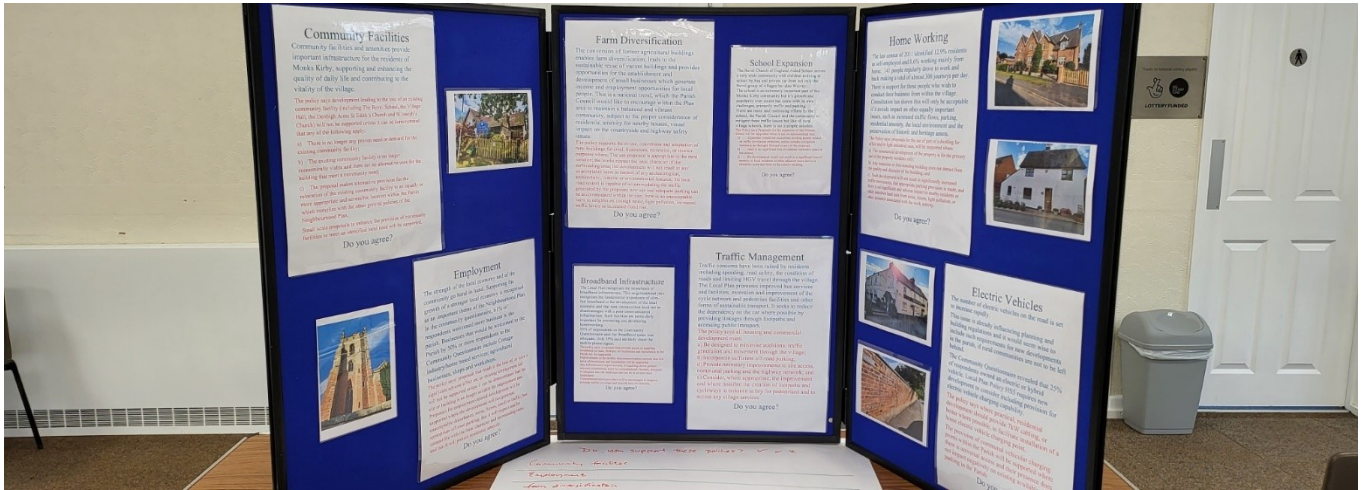
A list of attendees is available separately. A total of 42 residents attended the event.

## 2. Format of Event

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| <p><b>Sign in</b></p>                    | <p>A Member of the Advisory Committee welcomed attendees on arrival and recorded attendance. Arrangements for the Open Event were explained.</p>   |
| <p><b>Background</b></p>                 | <p>The first displays introduced Neighbourhood Planning and described the process and what has been undertaken to date. Copies of documents describing the neighbourhood plan process were available to read as were copies of the draft Neighbourhood Plan, design guide and other relevant material.</p>   |
| <p><b>Consultation on key issues</b></p> | <p>A series of display boards were spread across the room, each of which focussed on the emerging policies within the draft Neighbourhood Plan – including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Housing – Housing mix, design, affordable housing and windfall;</li> <li>▪ Environment –Local Green Space and other environmental protections including views</li> <li>▪ Transport</li> <li>▪ Businesses and Employment</li> <li>▪ Community Facilities</li> </ul> <p>Having read the displays, attendees were asked to indicate their support for the policy. General comments were welcomed and members of the NP team were on hand to record people’s views, but people were directed to the upcoming pre-submission consultation for expressing detailed observations so that the comments could be formally recorded and responded to.</p> |

The next pages show the display boards detailing the emerging policies:





### 3. Consultation findings

The policies on display and the support expressed for each are as follows:

#### **Vision**

32 y 0 n

#### **Housing**

Housing mix 24 y 0 n

Settlement Boundary 26 y 0 n

Windfall Sites 21 y 1 n 1 1/2

Affordable Housing 20 y 4 n

Design 28 y 0 n

#### **Environment**

Local Green Spaces 25 y 0 n

Open Spaces 26 y 0 n 1?

Important Views 25 y 0 n

Ridge and Furrow 26 y 0 n

Renewable Energy 22 y 1 n

Footpaths 26 y 0 n

Historic Environment 24 y 0 n

Flood Risk 23 y 0 n

Biodiversity 27y 0 n

Natural Environment 23 y 0 n

#### **Sustainability**

Community Facilities 26 y 0 n

Business and Employment 23 y 0 n

Farm Diversification 28 y 0 n

School Expansion 20 y 5 n

Traffic Management 26 y 0 n

Electric Vehicles 22 y 1 n

Broadband 28 y 0 n

Homeworking 23 y 0 n

### Comments made:

- I don't agree with School expansion

Noted. The Neighbourhood Plan sets conditions which would need to be achieved before expansion of the School is considered. The balance is to ensure that the School remains viable without impacting negatively on residents.

- Why is providing charging facilities a community responsibility?

It is in line with the Plan's commitment to addressing issues relating to climate change and recognising the move to 100% electric car provision from 2030.

- Please provide the average figures in 'mean' and 'median' – if the average figure quoted is a mean and it includes Newnham Paddox (for example) it will seriously skew the average value. Median is a more representative way of calculating this figure.

All figures are 'mean' and are provided purely as an indication of house prices locally. No policy is dependent on the figures provided and the sample size is so low that the conclusions that can be drawn are limited. Nonetheless, the individual house prices demonstrate that property values locally are high and provides evidence for the policy on Affordable Housing

- Any development, if absolutely necessary, should avoid the area around the School since this is already a problem for local residents and parents attending School.

Noted. The Neighbourhood Plan policies contain conditions that will need to be met for development to be approved.

- School expansion should not be considered, given the current problem we already have.

Noted. As stated earlier, the School needs to be able to remain viable whilst any

development avoids harm to residential amenity and transport related issues. The policy on School expansion covers these issues.

- Please add the view across the village from Brockhurst lane (by the zig zag curve).

The views from Brockhurst Lane are adequately covered in the identified views in view 5 and 6 and A and B.

## Summary

This was an engaging event where people had the opportunity to see the draft policies and to ask questions of those who have drafted the Plan. People stayed for a long time to read and consider each policy area and the turnout was very good for a community the size of Monks Kirby.

There was overwhelming support for the policies on display.

**Further images from the event are as follows:**





