

29 Do you have any other comments?

Please take the completed questionnaire to the Parish Office, 24 Main Street, Asfordby before XXXDATEXXX.

Your name

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Your address

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Your phone number

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Your answers will remain totally confidential. We will use this information only to contact you if you win the prize draw.

Asfordby Parish Council



Asfordby Neighbourhood plan

Would you like to help shape Asfordby's future and stand the chance of winning £50.00 to spend at Argos?

Find out how below.

Asfordby Parish Council is busy preparing its Neighbourhood Plan and now wants to consult local residents on what is important to them.

Why is the Neighbourhood Plan important?

The Plan will act as guidance for the future development of our three villages. This is your opportunity to have your say on how our communities will look over the next 20 years or so.

The first stage of the consultation in 2012 identified the general areas of concern to local residents and this second phase will help identify areas for development and what sort of development would suit us all best.

You have probably heard that developers are intending to put in plans for building large housing estates in the parish. We all accept that some expansion of the three villages is necessary to meet local needs. The Parish Council has calculated that building an average of 20 new homes of the right type would meet our requirements while still retaining the distinct character of the three villages.

But what sort of housing do you want? Where should it be located? What sort of industry should come here? And where should that be

located? Are our open spaces adequate? For now? For the future?

These are the sorts of questions we want your views on.

This is important for you and your family, both now and in the future. The Parish Council's vision of the Parish in 2031:

- Three distinct communities
- Independent of Melton Mowbray
- Good range of services and facilities
- Housing that meets the needs of local people
- Clean, safe and crime free
- Green space protected
- Local job opportunities
- Buildings that are energy efficient
- Local people having a bigger say

Housing:

We need to provide a supply of housing that meets the needs of present and future generations. We have prepared our own evidence of housing needs which takes account of housing projections, the 2011 Census and other data. This has helped us estimate:

- the overall requirement for housing in the parish over the next 20yrs or so;
- the best mix of types, sizes, tenures; and
- the amount of Affordable Housing required.

Housing Requirement:

Given the projected growth in the population, the number of households in Melton borough is projected to grow to 23,518 in 2021, an increase of 1,986 (9%) over 2011. This equates to around 200 households a year. The profile of Asfordby is very similar to Melton, and therefore we think an extra 12 households each year would live in Asfordby parish.

23 If no, how should it be changed?.....
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24 Our Neighbourhood Plan can identify for special protection green areas of particular importance. Do you agree that the following areas should be designated as Local Green Space?

- Yes No All Saints Church area, Asfordby
- Yes No Klondyke Park, Asfordby
- Yes No Captains Close Playing Fields, Asfordby
- Yes No Jubilee Park, Asfordby
- Yes No The South Street/WestSide/St Johns Road/Welby Road Square, Asfordby Hill
- Yes No South of South Street, Asfordby Hill

25 Are there any other areas that should be designated as Local Green Space?

- Yes**
- No**

26 If yes, where?.....
.....

27 Where do you live?

- Asfordby**
- Asfordby Hill**
- Asfordby Valley**
- Other**

28 What type of household do you live in?

- One person household**
- A couple: With dependent children**
- A couple: No dependent children**
- Lone parent household: With dependent children**
- Lone parent household: No dependent children**
- Multi-person household: All full-time students**
- Multi-person household: Other**

15 If yes, what are they?.....
.....

16 Should we provide opportunities for small business development?

- Yes
- No

17 Do you agree that the future development of Asfordby Business Park, Holwell Works and the Rail Test Track are important not just for Asfordby but the wider economy of Melton?

- Yes
- No

18 Do you agree that we should try to protect the countryside between Asfordby Hill and Asfordby Valley?

- Yes
- No

Asfordby and Asfordby Valley?

- Yes
- No

19 Should new housing be built to higher standards of energy efficiency than required by national building regulations?

- Yes
- No

20 Do you agree with our definition of the Village Envelope for Asfordby?

- Yes
- No

21 If no, how should it be changed?.....
.....

22 Do you agree with our definition of the Village Envelope for Asfordby Hill?

- Yes
- No

Housing Mix:

We need to plan for a mix of housing based on demographic and market trends, and the needs of different groups in the community (such as families with children and older people). About half of our housing needs to be for families, but a significant proportion (32%) is needed for downsizer housing, bungalows or apartments for households who want a smaller property to help reduce bills or support their retirement plans.

Affordable Housing:

It has become impossible for many local people on lower and moderate incomes to afford to live locally or to move here to take up work. The consequence of this is that Asfordby's population is ageing with a very low number of people in the age group where new households typically emerge (18-29). The housing market is failing to provide opportunities for this group because of the poor supply of suitable affordable housing.

Affordable housing is social rented, affordable rented and intermediate housing, provided to eligible households whose needs are not met by the market. We estimate that of the 12 extra homes needed each year, there is a shortfall of around 6 affordable homes. This requirement takes into account new household formation, the proportion of newly forming households unable to buy or rent in the market area, and an estimation of the number of existing households falling into need.

This consultation mainly concerns housing.

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Questionnaire

1 What are the 3 most important issues for the Neighbourhood Plan? (please tick up to 3 boxes)

- Population and housing growth*
- Ageing population*
- The need for affordable housing*
- Pressure for more housing development*
- Many residents commute outside the parish for work*
- Improved services and facilities*
- Protecting the countryside between settlements*
- Historic environment*
- Flooding*
- High levels of car dependence*

2 Is there anything missing?

- Yes*
- No*

3 If yes, what?.....
.....

4 Do you agree with our vision for 2031?

- Yes*
- No*

5 If no, what needs changing?.....
.....

6 What is the right level of new house building for the parish?

- Less than 12 new homes a year*
- 12 homes a year*
- More than 12 homes a year*

7 Do you agree that the priority for new housing should be family homes and downsizer housing i.e. bungalows or apartments for households who want a smaller property?

- Yes*
- No*

8 Do you agree that we should try to provide an average of 6 affordable homes a year?

- Yes*
- No*

9 What are the best two housing site options in Asfordby?

- Site A1: Between Regency Road and Bypass*
- Site A2: West of Hoby Road*
- Site A3: Station Lane*
- Site A4: North of Bypass*
- Site A5: Between The Hawthorns and Bypass*
- Site A6: Whitlock Garages*

10 Should Asfordby Hill have more housing development if it enabled a new shop to be built there?

- Yes*
- No*

11 What are the best two housing site options in Asfordby Hill?

- Site AH1: West Side*
- Site AH2: Glebe Road*
- Site AH3: Stanton Road*
- Site AH4: Crompton Road*
- Site AH5: North of Melton Road, between Asfordby Hill and Asfordby Valley*

12 Should Asfordby Valley have more housing development if it enabled more facilities to be provided there?

- Yes*
- No*

13 What is the best housing site option in Asfordby Valley?

- Site AV1: Main Road*
- Site AV2: North View Close*

14 Are there any other housing sites in Asfordby, Asfordby Hill or Asfordby Valley that we should look at?

- Yes*
- No*