



TIBSHELF NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Community Consultation Events
November 2021
Outcomes Analysis



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Front Cover Photo:
Exhibition banner outside
St John the Baptist Church



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Further information about the Plan is available at tibshelfneighbourhoodplan.org

1 Introduction

Tibshelf Parish Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group undertook two community consultation 'drop-in' events about the emerging Neighbourhood Plan. These took place on Friday 26 November 2021 (between 10.00am and 8.00pm) and Saturday 27 November 2021 (between 10.00am and 4.00pm). Both were held at St. John the Baptist Church in the centre of the village of Tibshelf. These times, days and venue were purposefully selected to maximise interest and attendance by residents as well as other interested bodies and individuals. They span, for example, both normal working hours as well as the weekend.



Shots from the Public Exhibition held in November 2021

2 Purpose of the Events

The main aims of the events were threefold:

- To inform the community of the aims and background of the neighbourhood plan;
- To outline progress to date with the Neighbourhood Plan, including that this had been delayed by the Covid-19 pandemic.
- To gain views and feedback on the initial draft Neighbourhood Plan, including emerging policies, and associated documents.

Examples of the means of how the events were publicised are shown on pages 4 and 5.

3 How the Events were Publicised

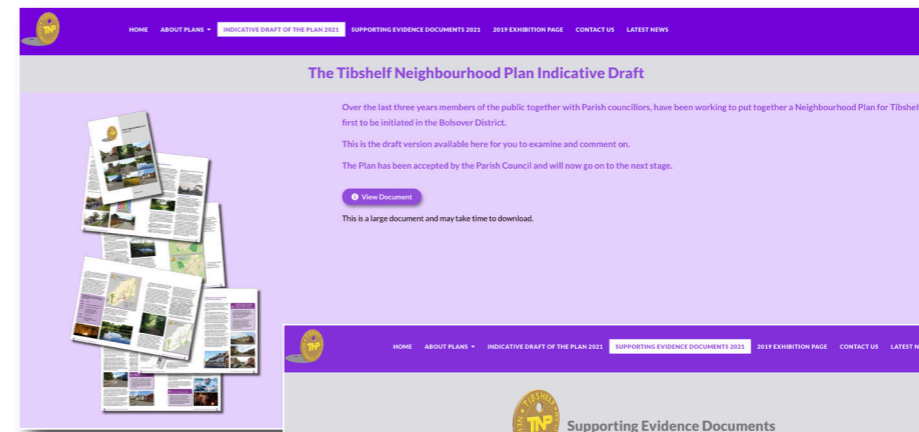
The events were widely published through the Parish. This included:

- An A5 four page leaflet was distributed to all households in the Parish by members of the Steering Group..
- The Parish Council website and notice board.
- Banners and posters were displayed at prominent locations across the Parish.

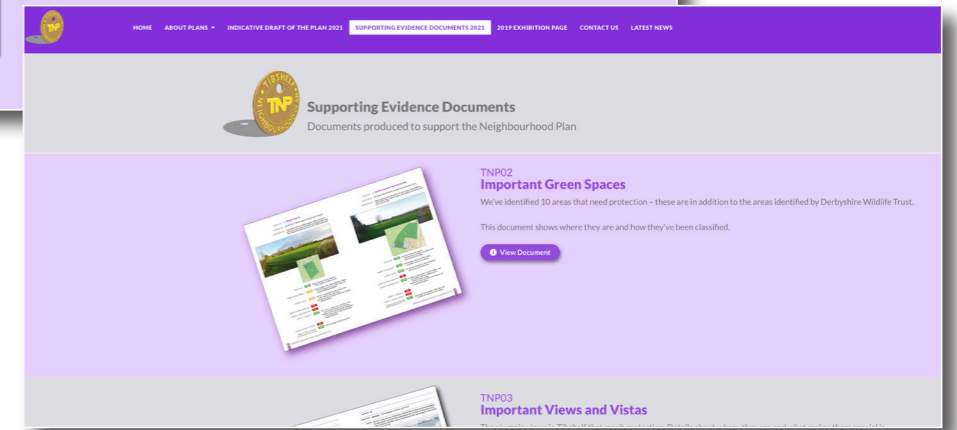
- Parish councillors and other members of the Steering Group members promoted the event.

- Word of mouth.

Examples of the various media vehicles used to publicise the events are shown on these pages.



Neighbourhood Plan Website



A5 Leaflet



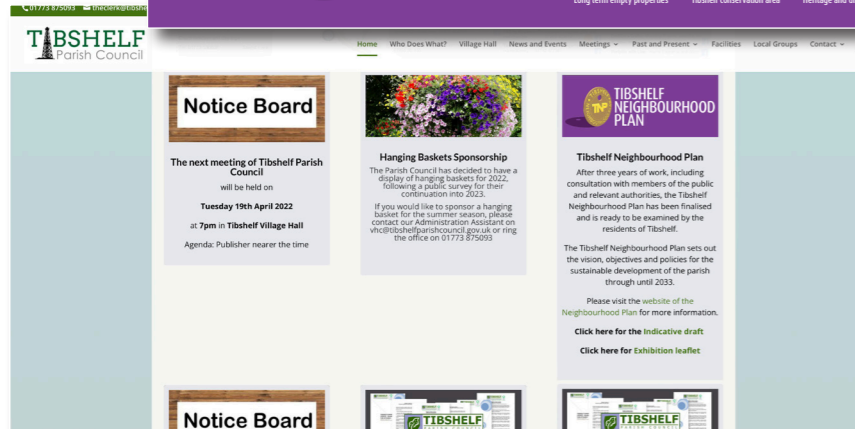
A3 Poster



Posters displayed throughout the parish



Banner outside the church



Tibshelf Parish Council Website

4 Format of the Events

Introduction

The exhibition was in the form of 28 free standing panels arranged in two rows in the centre of the historic Church.

Members of the Steering Group were in attendance for both days to explain the process and answer any questions. Also present was the Consultant helping the Parish Council prepare the Plan.

Background

The displays introduced neighbourhood planning, described the neighbourhood planning process that is being followed and the emerging policies and proposals.

It was explained that the draft Plan was essentially a development of the information that was displayed at the June 2019 consultation events. Progress with the Plan, however, had been delayed by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Maps, diagrams, photos and supporting evidence documents were also displayed detailing the main issues, policies and proposals. Paper copies of the Plan and supporting evidence documents were made available for examination.

Consultation on the emerging Plan

Having read the displays, attendees were given the opportunity to comment on the Plan by using the A5 slips supplied (as shown below) or by speaking to one of the representatives of the Group manning the event.

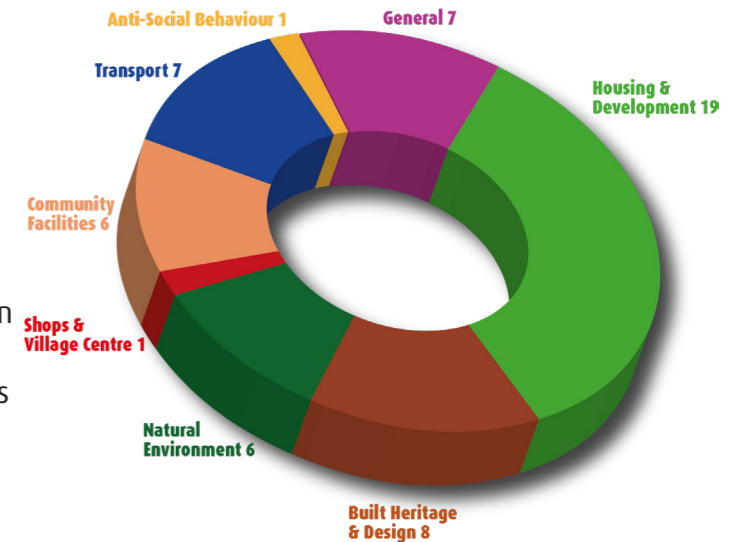


A facility to leave comments was provided at the Exhibition.

5 Outcomes

The events were very well attended with over 250 people recorded as taking part over the two days. This mainly comprised local residents, but also included local business owners, shop keepers and a few people from outside of the Parish.

The following written comments (broken down by theme, and in one instance sub theme) were received. All comments are transcribed exactly as they appeared on the response mechanisms.



Comments Analysis Breakdown of the 55 written comments received

General (7 comments)

- 1 Plan of action. Clear bullet points of what happening and when.
- 2 An excellent display which clearly shows what is needed for the planned future of Tibshelf. Very comprehensive. Well done and support you in all you are trying to achieve.
- 3 Really good to see the plan - clear aims and vision. Now would like to know how it will be achieved. Thanks for the great work!
- 4 I think the plan is well thought out and workable.
- 5 Well prepared presentation of the plan.
- 6 So, as Greta might say: "Blah, blah, blah" - no further on than 2019!
- 7 Look at Bolsover and you'll see where the important bits are done. For example - nice flower and bulb containers and good shops.

Housing & Development (19 comments)

- 1 Will the Town End School be made into single person accommodation when the new school is built?
- 2 Infrastructure in place before more houses - health centre, school, decent bus service and regular.
- 3 How much more housing can this village take. Services need to improve before more people move in eg doctors, schools.
- 4 No more new housing estates. Before any new estates the infrastructure in social services must be improved and increased. As if is now, it is becoming unacceptable.
- 5 You build or allow building of the old infant school to housing you will totally destroy Tibshelf. We are already having too many houses being built with no provision for new families i.e. bigger school, play areas and recreation.
- 6 Should limit the number of new homes as the infrastructure does not allow for this.
- 7 The infrastructure is completely inadequate.
- 8 Time frames for new housing and school..
- 9 Social housing redeveloped plans? Proposals? Timescales?.
- 10 Compulsory purchase proposals?
- 11 Old Slaughter House proposals?



A Parishioner in conversation with 2 Steering Group members

Housing & Development

- Extend development area behind West View as will impact on look on village the least.
- What a beautiful village this used to be 60-70-80 years ago and now we have derelict buildings which can be changed into nice properties instead of building on our greenlands
- Do something with derelict building on Newton Road
- What is absolutely shocking and unacceptable is all the neglected and dilapidated buildings owned by the 'Rye' family - shameful! The family should sell the buildings if they don't intend to renovate them. These buildings are significant to the look of the village.
- Remove all derelicts from Tibshelf. Nobody wants to see derelicts!
- Please get rid of that derelict building near Jowett School of Dance.
- What is happening about the Rye properties, which to my view are the greatest "eyesores" in the village.
- What about the scrapyard way and the school with the commercial vehicles being an eyesore.



Built Heritage & Design (8 comments)

- Preserve building of infant school but junior is not as significant.
- There is a proposal (page 35) to extend the Conservation Area to all properties on Trail View that would mean Hills Mede would be surrounded by within properties but excluded itself. Could the boundary include Hills Mede?
- 18 months ago Hills Mede was an open field. These properties are therefore new builds and should be shown on the conservation area map in blue ink (21st century buildings).
- I seriously do not agree with not accepting solar panels. It should be mandatory for all new builds no matter where they are.
- Solar panels help the environment.
- New developments in the village need names which reflect the history and local character of where they are.
- Install solar array on most of field to make village more environmentally friendly especially as panels are banned in some areas
- Any incentive to make fences and drives more attractive as the preferred choice is expensive.

Natural Environment - including Local Green Spaces (6 comments)

- More enclosed green areas for dogs and their owners.
- Protect vista and open environment in field at top of village.
- Any community use planned for "forgotten" green area at Station Road? i.e. Pocket Park.
- Board TNP02 - How can the "richness of wildlife" possibly be red coded?! I have observed and listened to a rich culture of birds, animals on the allotments. This is not red. It is a corridor for all manner of wildlife.
- There needs to be a re-assessment of the red, amber, green code. e.g. Allotments and churchyard are teeming with wildlife - they should not be coded red.
- The traffic light system on the important green spaces panel makes no sense. How can the parish church only rate as amber when on a later panel it's listed as Grade II?

Shops & Tibshelf Village Centre (1 comment)

- Have grants - been applied for to provide grants and/or loans to make shop fronts "acceptable".

Community Facilities (6 comments)

- Better provision for older children:
 - Maybe skate/pump parks
 - Activity groups
 - 11-16 years get bored - peer-group activities
- Facilities for older children lacking. Bins and play areas for youngsters but nothing for 12+ age group.
- Disappointed no reference to more facilities (toilets) on Five Pits - and no linking Five Pits to local businesses. Better facilities would bring more visitors to the trail, who may then visit pubs, cafes etc.
- I would like to see how provision can be made for more school and doctor's surgery places, these would be needed for the extra housing and therefore increased population.
- How long will temporary building be in place? For the secondary school these were used for years on the old site and was why a new school was built. I don't think temporary is the answer!
- Preserving Crown as a "PH" is a nonsense! It is used as a drinking Den. The village lacks "restaurant" facilities - should be developed for housing.

Transport (7 comments)

- And what a lovely railway we had which could now be electric driven and get to Nottingham in 15 mins at Chesterfield in 12 mins and reduce the cars on the road.
- Better bus service. Chesterfield bus returned to hourly instead of two hourly. Bus to do the old spira route which is very much missed.
- Public transport is very poor as it's always late or on numerous occasions it fails to turn up at all. Getting to work I have to get two buses to the East Midlands outlet, due to the inconsistencies and length of bus journeys including waiting it can make a long journey that much longer. Plus working at the Outlet means I finish late so buses should run late in the evening. With sporting activities being in the larger areas and buses not running late making participating much harder and affecting mental as well as physical health. With these issues it makes learning to drive very much a necessity, contributing more to climate change.
- The school on West View still a problem at finishing time. Cannot get out of Raven Ave.
- Village needs more dedicated off-street parking.
- Parking will always be an issue and having no car park will not encourage any potential shop owners to come.
- Parking - a lot of homes have 2 cars. Parking is a big problem especially on Derwent Drive.

Anti-Social Behaviour (1 comment)

- We suddenly have a spate of pupils doing stupid things.
 - Putting small stones on hatchback cars and when you open boot is dints the door.
 - Spraying obscene drawings on the walkway between Raven Ave and Winkpenney Lane and even removing street sign! Complaining to the school doesn't seem to work.

Many non-recorded verbal comments on all subjects were also received.



Some of the written comments received

6 Summary of Outcomes

General

The main comments in relation to this theme were general support for the plan and praise for its clarity and vision. One person noted the lack of progress with the Plan in recent years.

Housing and Development

This theme attracted the highest number of comments. The majority of these comments were regarding the need to address long-term empty and derelict properties, many of which were considered to be detracting from the character of the Parish. Several people commented on the need to improve or increase existing infrastructure and community facilities before more housing is built, as those already in place cannot accommodate more housing and the resulting increase in the population.

Built Heritage and Design

This theme attracted a range of comments. Several comments were received encouraging the Plan to support the provision of solar panels. Other comments included support for conserving the infant school and including Hills Mede in the Conservation Area. One respondent considered that the names for new developments should reflect the history and local character of the area.

Natural Environment

This theme also attracted a range of comments. These included the need to protect and increase green spaces and make use of existing ones. A few comments and suggested amendments were received on the traffic light system used to identify the proposed Local Green Spaces.

Shops and the village centre

The comment received expressed a desire to have grants or loans in order to make shop fronts more 'acceptable'.

Community Facilities

The main themes were more facilities for older children, enhanced facilities, such as toilets and restaurants, in relation to the Five Pits Trail. An objection was received to the identification of the Crown Public House as an important community facility in the Plan.

Transport

The dominant theme was the quality of public transport, with comments regarding the lack of rail service and a desire for a more regular bus service. Several comments were made regarding the lack of parking.

Anti-Social Behaviour

An issue raised concerned anti-social behaviour carried out by pupils.



Visitors at the Exhibition

7 Summary of Findings

The events were very successful. They were well attended with over 250 people attending.

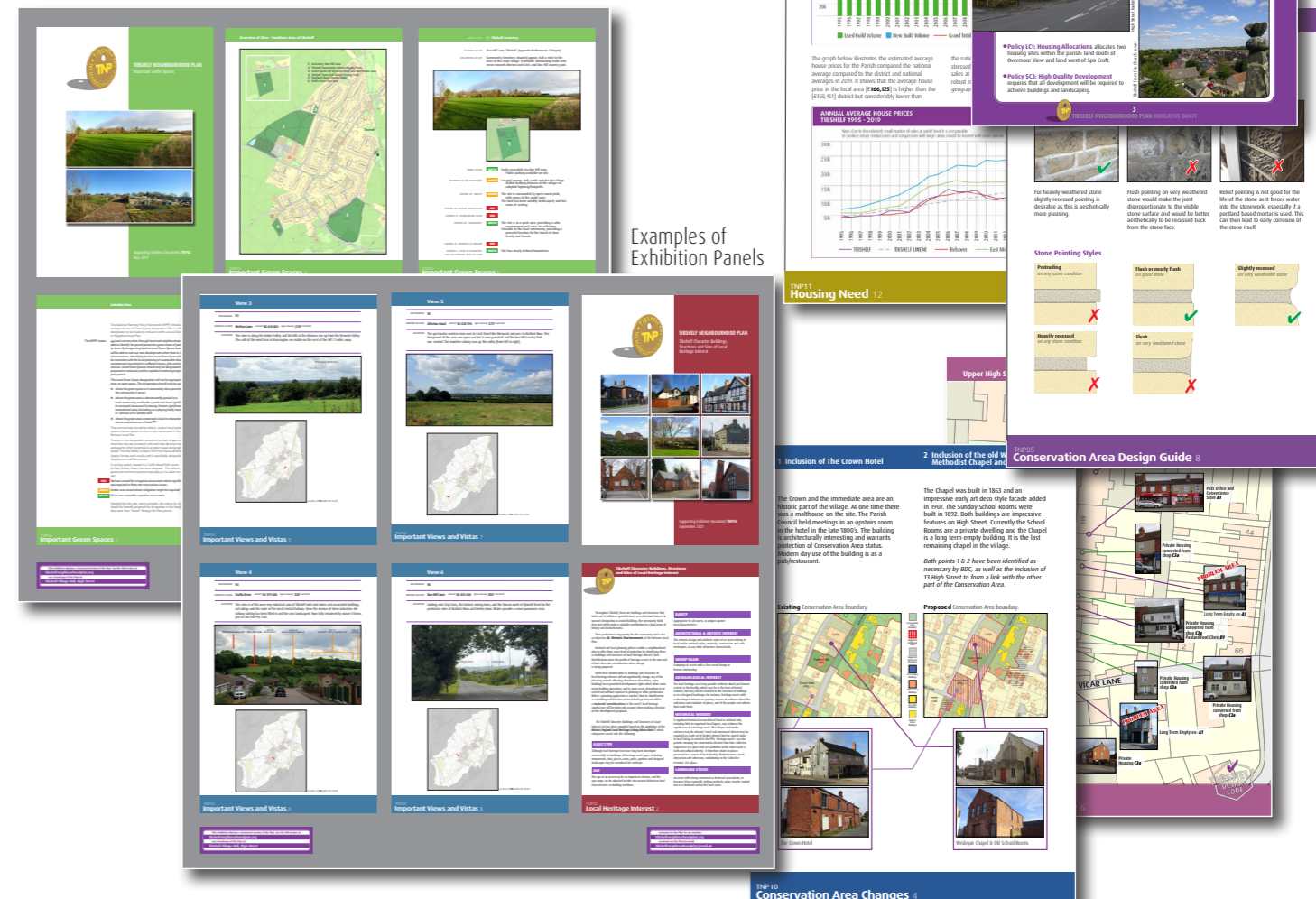
A range of comments were received. On the whole verbal and written comments were very positive – in particular approval of the emerging policies and proposals and recognition of the hard work that had gone into preparing the Plan.

There were no serious challenges or concerns about the progress of the Plan to date, its emerging contents and relevance. Where comments were made, they mainly related to point of detail, and how where specific policies could be strengthened or amplified. In a few instances comments were made which were beyond the scope of a Neighbourhood Plan to deal with, for example anti-social behaviour.

There was good level of awareness of the Plan amongst residents, and the event will have raised this awareness further.

The findings provide a solid platform and sounding board for the next stage in the Neighbourhood Plan's development - the formal (Regulation 14) consultation, hopefully, as soon as it is safe and practical to do so.

A sample of the exhibition graphics is shown here.





Public Exhibition in the Church

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