

Broadway Submitted Neighbourhood Plan Consultation RESPONSE FORM

Under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Broadway Parish Council has submitted its Neighbourhood Plan to Wychavon District Council. In accordance with Regulation 16, Wychavon District Council would like to invite comments from individuals and organisations on the submitted Neighbourhood Plan.

This consultation runs from Friday 23 July to 5pm on Friday 3 September 2021.

All comments will be made publicly available and identifiable by name and organisation (where applicable). The personal information you provide on this form will be held and processed in accordance with the requirements of Data Protection Legislation. More information on how we will hold your data can be found at: https://www.wychavon.gov.uk/privacy-policy

Please fill in your details in the boxes below:

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Please state which part of the Neighbourhood Plan (i.e. which section, objective or policy) your representation refers to (please use a separate form for each representation):

Please use the space below to make comments on this part of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Energy

Supportive of the proposals under BE.7 – Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, however, the plan could also request that energy efficiency of new homes goes beyond the standards required in building regulations which would be in line with the National Planning Policy Framework, and also links in well with the proposals to meet the HQM standard. Improving the energy efficiency standards of new homes will help to support achievement of net zero carbon targets and reduce the risk of fuel poverty for new residents.

It would be encouraging to see recognition of the issue of fuel poverty within the Neighbourhood Plan. The latest figures show that c.10% of households in Worcestershire are considered to be fuel poor, meaning they have high energy costs but a low household income.

N.B. The HQM link in the footnote on page 56 does not work.

Climate Change

There is minimal reference to climate change – adaptation or mitigation, within the NP.

With regards to the reference to the Climate Change Act on page 56 – please note the target now set by Government is to achieve net zero emissions by 2050, reaching 78% reduction by 2035 from 1990 levels.

Climate change mitigation and adaptation are central to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). The UK Climate Change Act 2008 sets legally binding targets for the UK to reduce carbon emissions to net zero by 2050. New developments will be around for a considerable number of years, it is important that they remain fit for purpose over their lifetime as the climate changes. The plan could consider actions to improve local resilience to climate change, such as wider guttering, green roofs, permeable paving etc.

Low Carbon Neighbourhood Planning Guidance

For further guidance related to low carbon neighbourhood planning: neighbourhood-planning-in-a-climate-emergency-feb-2020.pdf (cse.org.uk)

Please use a separate form for each representation.	
Please state whether you would like to be notified of the Council's decision on the Neighbourhood Plan proposal:	
Yes No	

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