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# Babworth Parish

## Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Summary

16 July 2022

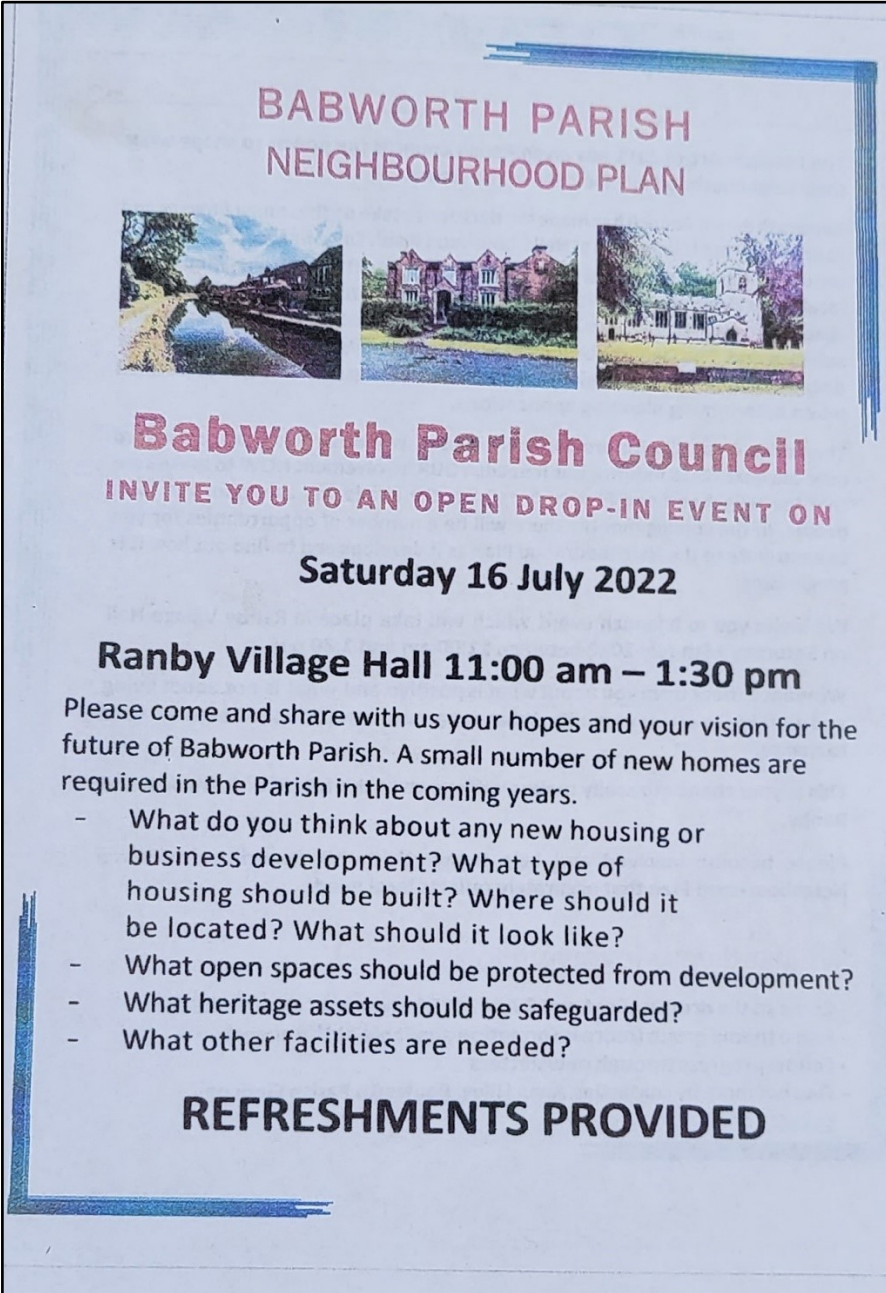
## Introduction

Babworth Parish Council organised a drop-in event on Neighbourhood Planning which was held on 16 July 2022. The event took place between 11:00 am and 1:30 pm at the Ranby Village Hall.


The aim of this event was to help engage the community in the Neighbourhood Plan and to seek comments on the emerging topics – including important open spaces and environment; community facilities and amenities; housing and design; transport and employment.

The drop-in event was promoted through leaflets distributed to each household and through word of mouth.

In total, 42 people attended the event. 2 people signed up to become involved in the process.



**BABWORTH PARISH  
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**



**Babworth Parish Council**  
**INVITE YOU TO AN OPEN DROP-IN EVENT ON**  
**Saturday 16 July 2022**  
**Ranby Village Hall 11:00 am – 1:30 pm**

Please come and share with us your hopes and your vision for the future of Babworth Parish. A small number of new homes are required in the Parish in the coming years.

- What do you think about any new housing or business development? What type of housing should be built? Where should it be located? What should it look like?
- What open spaces should be protected from development?
- What heritage assets should be safeguarded?
- What other facilities are needed?

**REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED**

## Format of Event

Attendees were welcomed on arrival and asked to complete a contact sheet or to tick a box to record attendance. The arrangements for the day were explained.

The first displays introduced neighbourhood planning and described the process that is being followed by the Parish Council. Copies of explanatory booklets were available for reference and copies of finalised Neighbourhood Plans from other parishes were available for people to read as they walked around the displays.

Posters supplied by Bassetlaw District Council were on display around the room and showed a range of features of interest including Listed Buildings, open spaces and other environmental designations.

## Consultation on key issues

A series of display boards were spread across the room, each of which focused on a different topic related to planning and development, including:

- ✓ Housing – mix, design, location and heritage
- ✓ Environment – existing designations and Local Green Space criteria
- ✓ Transport
- ✓ Employment
- ✓ Community Facilities

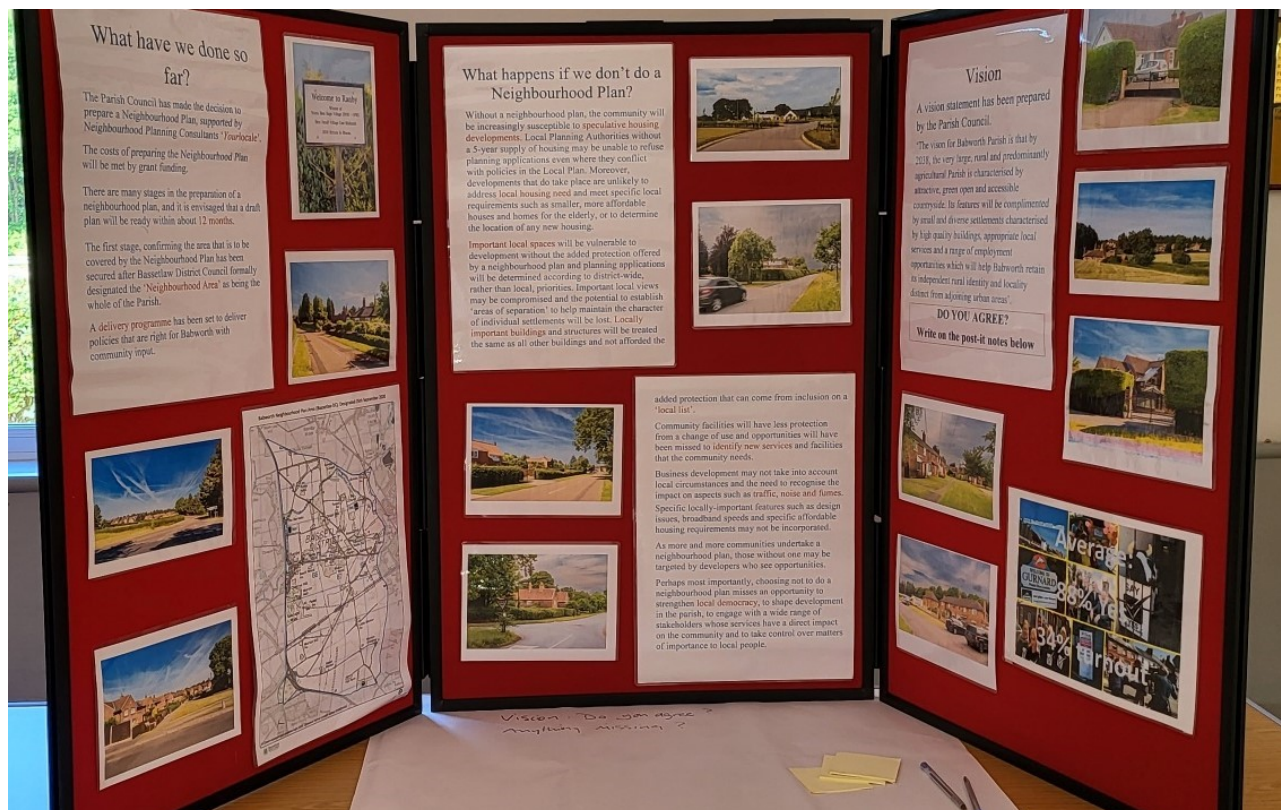
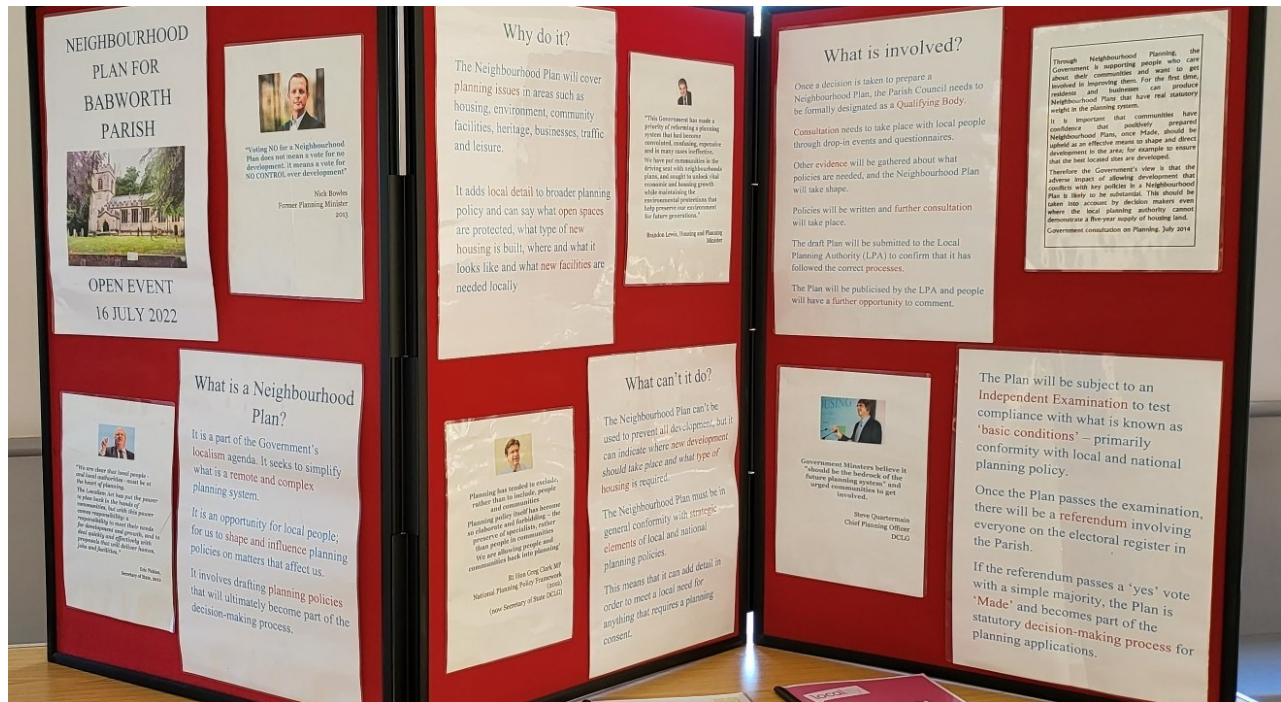
People were invited to read the displays and the information available and to make comment on 'post-it' notes.

In addition, people were invited to identify open spaces which are important to them by placing up to 3 green stickers on a map of the parish which they value for views; and up to 3 red stickers on areas good for recreation. A similar exercise invited people to indicate where they would not welcome new housing, and where residential development would be acceptable.

## Display Boards

The following pages give a sample of the boards that were on display at the event. The boards posed questions which people were invited to comment on.

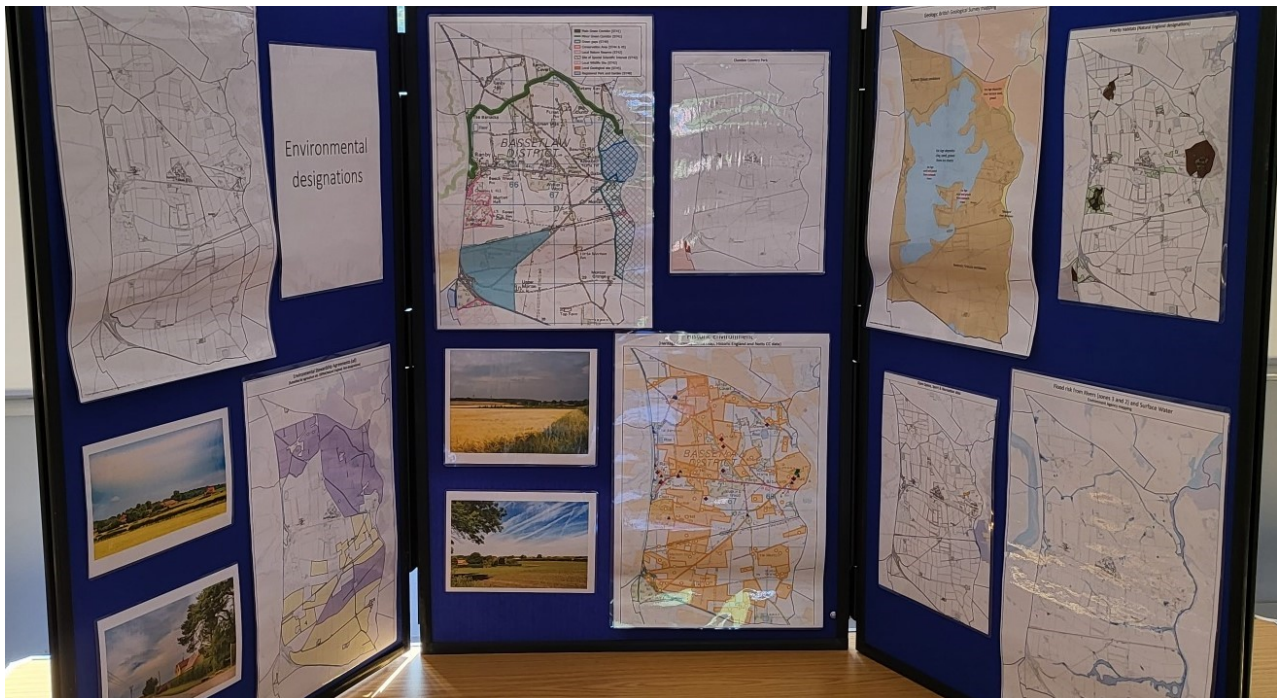












### What happens now?

Following this launch, it is hoped to establish separate groups which will look in detail at the key issues within the Parish. Can you join us?

- Housing and Built Environment**
  - Location
  - Type
  - Mix
  - Design
- Natural and Historic Environment**
  - Which "special" local spaces to protect from development?
  - Which other important spaces and views are to be safeguarded?
  - Heritage assets
  - Wildlife sites
- Community Sustainability - Transport/Community facilities & amenity employment**
  - What transport problems are there?
  - Parking? Speeding? Congestion?
  - Which community facilities need to be protected? What others are needed?
  - Protect existing employment?
  - Encourage new?

Are you interested in getting involved?

The groups will meet over the summer and autumn and run water, January 1 and 10, 2020, depending on the theme and in conjunction locally.

If you are not able to attend the time, please still get involved at a level that suits you. The groups are very informal, and the meetings will be lively and interesting.

Get involved in the groups and meetings.

### ANYTHING ELSE?

Is there anything else you would like to see the Neighbourhood Plan include?

Thank you for your time and for any comments you may have made. They will all be considered as the Neighbourhood Plan develops and you will have many more opportunities to become involved before the Plan is finalised.

**TELL US WHAT YOU THINK!**  
Write on the post-it notes below

### Data from 2011 Census

We are not looking for specialist knowledge, just passionate people with an interest in the area and an understanding of the issues we face. All groups will be professionally facilitated by those with experience of how a neighbourhood plan evolves.

**Our first meeting will take place at Howards Farm on Thursday 21 July, commencing at 6:00 pm.**

Once this work has been concluded there will be further consultation events to share the findings. A draft Neighbourhood Plan will be prepared and submitted to Bassetlaw District Council.

The aim is to obtain approval for the examination version of the Plan by the summer 2023, with the referendum being held later next year.

**Please write your name and contact details on the form below and help us to shape development in the Parish so that it meets a local need.**

Household Name	Age	Gender	Marital Status	Employment	Education	Religion	Health	Disability	Other
1. Mr. John Smith	45	Male	Married	Employed	GCSE	Christian	Good	No	
2. Mrs. Jane Doe	35	Female	Married	Employed	GCSE	Christian	Good	No	
3. Mr. David Brown	55	Male	Married	Retired	GCSE	Christian	Good	No	
4. Mrs. Sarah White	25	Female	Single	Employed	GCSE	Christian	Good	No	
5. Mr. Robert Black	65	Male	Married	Retired	GCSE	Christian	Good	No	
6. Mrs. Emily Green	40	Female	Married	Employed	GCSE	Christian	Good	No	
7. Mr. Michael Hall	30	Male	Single	Employed	GCSE	Christian	Good	No	
8. Mrs. Lisa King	50	Female	Married	Employed	GCSE	Christian	Good	No	
9. Mr. James Lee	20	Male	Single	Unemployed	GCSE	Christian	Good	No	
10. Mrs. Anna Potts	60	Female	Married	Retired	GCSE	Christian	Good	No	

Having read the displays, attendees were asked to comment on each topic using post-it notes and to place them on flip-chart paper alongside each display. These are the comments that were made:

#### VISION:

- Agree. The parish needs to retain its identity
- Agree that it certainly needs to retain its independent rural identity
- Agree the village needs to keep its character, but there is space to put more homes
- Agree. Look after the village and community
- Agree
- Agree fully. No buildings of new homes in Ranby village
- The parish is a jewel in the countryside
- New housing would create more traffic – school places possibly (not available now I gather) – parking already a problem. Village would be spoilt
- Leave green open space as it is. The school cannot take any more children
- No more homes! Blyth Rd cannot cope with any more traffic. Needs to retain its character as a village
- No building or development in Ranby village
- Not near canal

#### HOUSING NEEDS:

- Need Affordable housing; bungalows
- Need more family homes. We are predominantly an older age group. Be nice to have some young families, and we love the school
- Good housing for all age groups
- Any housing must be built in character to the existing properties
- Any extension in brick (in keeping)
- Any new housing needs to fit in with the village environment
- Eco-friendly housing of various types must “fit in” with the village environment. Green open spaces to be retained as much as possible
- Green open spaces must be protected as much as possible. Too much is being lost already. Need to protect the habitat and environment
- Infrastructure needs updating to accommodate any new housing projects
- No affordable housing as there is no infrastructure to cope with families

Attendees were invited to indicate where they would not welcome new housing (red dot), and where residential development would be acceptable (green dot).







## HERITAGE:

- Protect the listed buildings as Ranby village is fine and beautiful as it is!
- To keep the heritage, which is very much the rural and green spaces, there shouldn't be any building in Ranby village. Lots of listed buildings and monuments to protect
- Protect our heritage
- Heritage must be protected at all times
- Protect heritage, buildings

## DESIGN:

- Design must be in keeping with other properties and surrounding buildings, i.e. not stick out like a sore thumb
- The village is already supporting many different designs of housing – does this matter if we have more styles?
- Design to identify build date

## COMMUNITY FACILITIES:

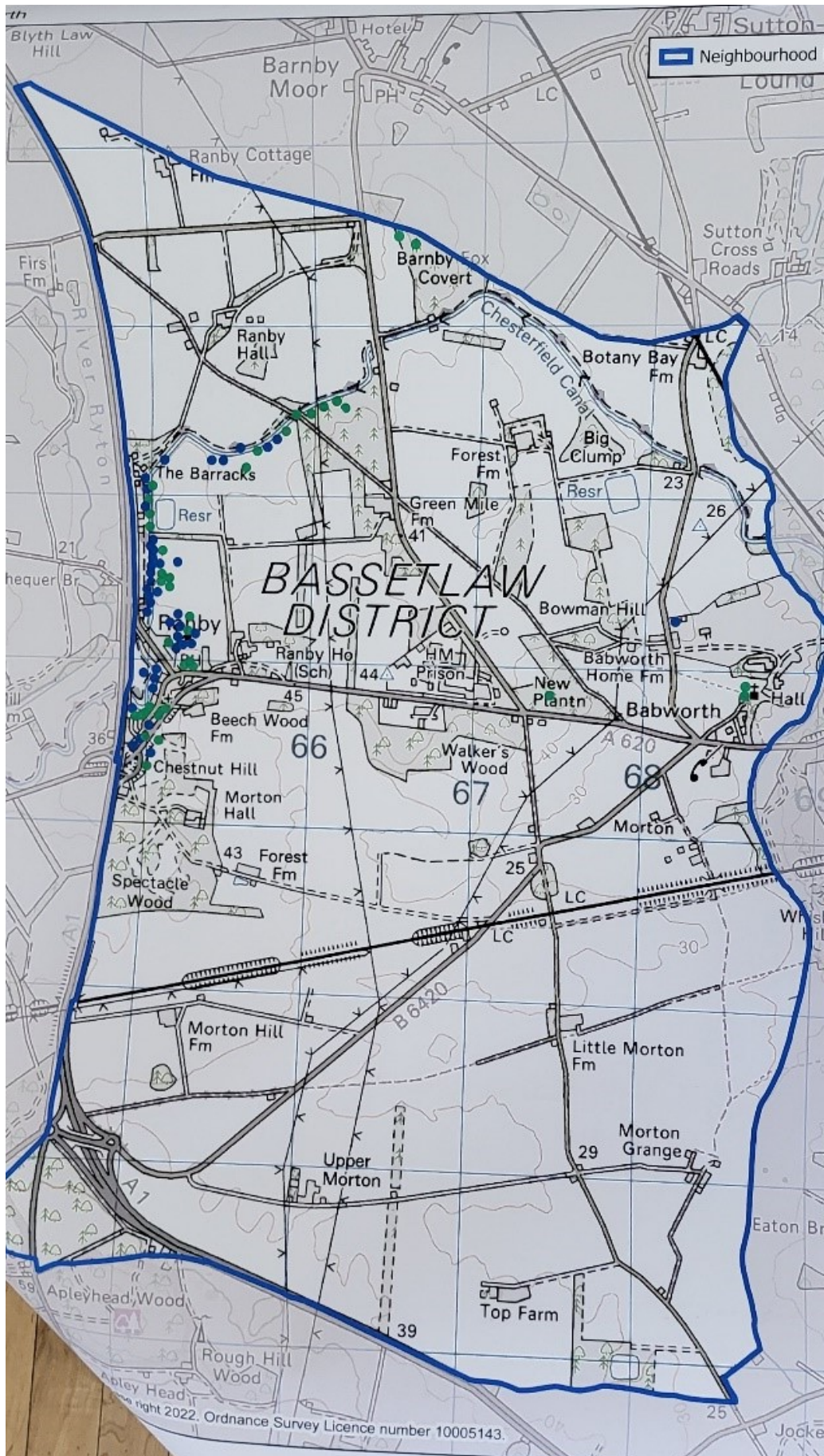
- Maybe one building could be a village shop with accommodation (in keeping with village environment)
- Village shop
- Infrastructure needs improving
- Utilities may need improving if we build more
- A 1-hour bus service with nothing in the evening after 7pm or Sunday is no good
- Seating for walkers along the canal. Possibly at the village hall

## EMPLOYMENT:

- See local shop idea – in keeping with Plan and community spirit
- Potential for encouraging cottage industries
- Dog walking

## ENVIRONMENT

People were invited to identify open spaces which are important to them by placing up to 3 green stickers on a map of the parish which they value for views: and up to 3 blue stickers on areas good for recreation.





## ACCESS AND HIGHWAYS:

- Traffic calming required into village. Move 50 mph sign!
- 20 mph speed limit in the village
- Speed limiting off the A620 into the village – especially at school times
- Access onto the A620 is far too dangerous now, without more housing being built
- Some traffic too fast. 20mph from Beeches to bridge and bridge to Chequers Close
- A1 getting busier
- Maintain footpaths
- Footpaths not maintained
- All village footpaths need to be updated
- Footpaths need more attention and maintenance as does grass and hedges
- Footpaths and roads to be maintained. Drainage to be improved
- Canal footpaths need cutting – dangerous state

## ANYTHING ELSE?

- Little shop would be nice? Post Office
- Please do something to slow down traffic coming off the A620, especially for the primary school, i.e. a roundabout

## Summary of findings

### The Vision

No one stated that they disagreed with the Vision. Concerns were expressed regarding the impact of any new development on open green space, traffic volume, parking and school spaces.

### Housing :

Of the 10 comments on housing development 3 respondents were in favour of affordable homes, bungalows, family homes and homes for all age groups. The 7 other responses highlighted variously the need for any new development to be in keeping with the parish's built environment and green open spaces, and for the infrastructure to be reviewed in terms of its suitability for any new housing, particularly families

### Heritage:

All of the 5 respondents wished for the parish's heritage to be protected.

### Design:

The 3 responses to this section called for any development design to be in keeping with other properties and surrounding buildings, with one person commenting that the parish already supports many different designs of housing and could continue to do so.

### **Facilities/Amenities:**

There were 6 comments generated by this section. All saw room for improvement in terms of the parish's potential and existing amenities, for example the potential for a village shop, the creation of canal and village hall seating, the need for the current facilities infrastructure to be updated, and improvement to the existing bus service.

### **Employment/Businesses:**

Within the 3 comments received, potential businesses were cited: a local shop, dog walking and cottage industries.

### **Environment:**

7 comments were made in total. 3 called for the protection of the parish's green open space, including the playing field, whilst 3 others did not want any more pig farming. One respondent did not want any new development.

### **Access and Highways:**

This area of the consultation was commented upon 12 times.

In the event of development, half of respondents highlighted the need to provide more traffic calming, and traffic management/maintenance in general. The other half cited the need for the parish's footpaths to better maintained and updated.

Images of the event are shown on the following pages:























