

We want your views!

Plans for amenity land for Mabe

Mabe Open Space



During the recent Mabe Neighbourhood Development Plan process, [NDP] the Mabe community expressed their view as to what was important to them.

- 78% of those surveyed stated traffic & transport was their highest priority.
- 65% stated a priority was climate change and the environment.
- 61% health and wellbeing.

Issues that are constantly being raised are around a lack of car parking space and the requirement to park on the road, resulting in traffic congestion and car damage.

We were told that the loss of green space, trees and shrubs to large scale development was a concern from both a biodiversity standpoint and its negative effect on our climate.

We were told that the parish had little in the way of amenity space for walking, cycling and exercise, which had a negative effect on health, wellbeing and overall perception of community belonging.

Mabe Parish Council are looking to address those issues in a positive way, by creating a Community Open Space.

During the development of the Mabe NDP, some available land was identified. It is owned by Cornwall Council and they have indicated a willingness to pass ownership to the Parish Council. The land the Parish Council is working to acquire comprises two fields alongside the road on Antron Hill.

The project is likely to be funded by the Government 'Levelling Up' fund. The first phase of the project will be to develop the concept and design, a process that will be supported by architects to guide us through the process.

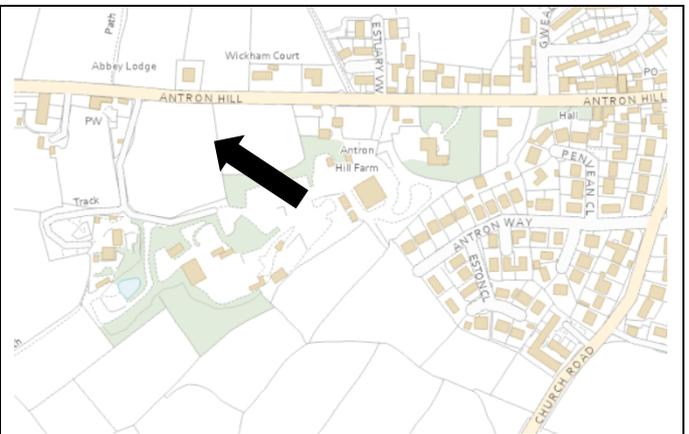
The parish council wants to seek the views of Mabe residents – what does the local community want for these fields?

Here are some initial suggestions:

- Woodland planting.
- Allotments and a community growing project.
- A heritage garden.
- Pathways linked to other public rights of way.
- A car park.
- Community energy generation, solar & wind generated.
- Recreation exercise areas, with exercise equipment.
- Dog walking areas.

All these things pose other questions that you can help to answer.

- Would you use the car park?
- Should it have electric car charging?
- Would you be willing to pay for car parking space?
- Would you be willing to pay for electric car charging?
- Would people want and use permanently fixed exercise equipment?



We need to know your thoughts, is it a good idea to acquire land for the local community, and how best can it be used? If you would like to get involved and help determine the project in detail or simply give us a comment or suggestion on what might be included then please contact Mabe Parish Council, or e mail mabeopenspace@icloud.com

The first consultation meeting 's takes place at the Mabe Women's Institute and Village Hall on 28th September at 7pm until 9 pm and Saturday 30th September 12pm until 4 pm. All are invited to attend.