

The following questions have been written to help you develop your thoughts and ideas. They are written for your guidance only, answer the ones that are really important to you. Your answers will help us develop the aims and vision that the community has for Wickham Market. Suggestions to be returned on or before 23rd July 2016.

SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY QUESTIONS:

1. How many houses do you think Wickham Market will have to accept by 2036?
2. Where could infill housing be built within the village?
3. What factors should be considered when choosing new development sites?
4. What additional sports facilities does the village need?
5. What additional amenities does the village need?



THOUGHTS / IDEAS:

YOUR POSTCODE:

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ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE QUESTIONS:

1. What is needed to ensure that the biodiversity of the Parish, our natural wildlife and environment is protected and enhanced?
2. What actions and ideas do you have for enhancing the landscape setting of the Parish and the village?
3. Please let us know what you consider important in terms of views, groups of buildings, green spaces, or other historically important features of Wickham Market that should be acknowledged and afforded protection?
4. Let us have your ideas for enhancing the green space within the Parish, whether this be formal play, sports areas, allotments, footpaths, churchyard, cemetery, natural green space, wild spaces or woodlands?



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ECONOMIC AND INFRASTRUCTURE QUESTIONS:

1. Do you work from home - if so how can we help and support you?
2. What brings you to the centre of Wickham Market - Healthcare, Shops, School, Market?
3. What would improve your shopping experience?
4. Getting around - How can we improve our roads and pedestrian access?
5. Is a car park the best use of the hill, ideas please?



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SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY

In the SCDC plan covering the period 2010-2027 Wickham Market were assessed as needing 115 new houses. Since 2010 116 new houses have been built and sold in Wickham Market thus showing the Parish is a popular place and leaving a zero residual provision. Our objectives are to define the village requirements, looking out to 2036, for Housing Needs, Community Assets and possible Sites for Residential Development.

Do we wish to be prescriptive with regard to housing design and if so what elements should we concentrate on? We do need to ensure that any development site selected is suitable with regard to access and location.

As a Key Service Centre Wickham Market has many Community Assets, but what are we missing and how best can we fill any gap? Are any of our assets tired and in need of revamping or replacement?

The overall aim is to provide evidence that the present status of residential property and facilities across the Parish is fully understood and that plans for development of residential property are based on identified and realistic needs including full compliance with the Suffolk Coastal District Council Local Plan, which in itself is subject to compliance with the National Plan Framework.

ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE

We want to fully understand, protect and enhance the biodiversity of the village and its natural landscape of farmland, trees, footpaths and hedgerows. Tell us how you would improve the rural setting and protect our wildlife.

Our village is rich in listed buildings but there is more to heritage than that. We can expand conservation policies to include important views, groups of buildings that have visual or historic value, green and treed spaces. Let us know what you consider valuable to keep and look after.

Nature, buildings, views, recreational spaces: what do we need to ensure Wickham Market continues to be a great place to live? Do we have enough play space, how can we enhance the environment for young people, can we achieve a green and pleasant village for all age groups? Help us to identify realistic goals so that we can produce guidelines on green space to feed into future planning decisions.



ECONOMIC AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Wickham Market is a highly desirable place to live and work. Our aim to ensure existing employment areas are protected for employment use, to support existing businesses and to encourage new business within the Parish. The two main areas of employment are the Hill and its surrounding area and the Border Cot Lane (Riverside) Industrial Estate.

We particularly want to hear from the many residents and visitors who use the village for shopping and services. We want your thoughts and ideas on what might be improved to make your visit more enjoyable and productive.

On the attached comment slips are five questions. These are a guide for your opinion, if you have any other thoughts and ideas about employment, roads, transport and infrastructure please let us know.

If you are a business located in Wickham Market Parish we will be contacting you with a separate more detailed survey to understand more about you and your future business needs.



THE LEGAL BACKGROUND

Under the governments Localism Act, our proposed Neighbourhood Plan (NP) must form part of Suffolk Coastal District Council's Local Plan and obey national regulations. This means that unless a particular decision is a strategic priority for SCDC, or the NP is in conflict with National legislation, Wickham Market the NP will build upon past work in this area, such as the recent Wickham Market Parish Plan and the many surveys and other relevant documents produced in recent years.

Anyone who has an interest in Wickham Market can contribute. From primary school children through to the elderly anyone can give their thoughts and ideas. Both children and adults can use the comment sheets to illustrate their ideas so we gain a better understanding.

Who can give their ideas?



Key Dates

- 15 May 2016 Open day at Village Hall 10.30am to 4.30pm. First phase of consultation and community engagement starts
- 15 June 2016 Wickham's Monthly Market 9.00am to 2.00pm
- 20 July 2016 Wickham's Monthly Market 9.00am to 2.00pm
- 23 July 2016 End of first phase of consultation and community engagement. Start of Analysis and preparation of draft aims and vision

04 Sept 2016 Open day Village Hall 10.30am to 4.30pm Presentation of key points, draft aims and vision. Further consultation and community engagement

Post your thoughts and ideas in the suggestion boxes located throughout Wickham Market see below:
 Inspirations Shop on the Hill, Tea Pot Café on the Hill, Library / Resource Centre, Chapel Lane, Village Hall off High Street, RS Hardware on the Hill.
 We will also be attending community events including the monthly markets and the many community groups around the village.

If you need any help or advice please contact Joanne Jones, Clerk to Wickham Market Parish council on email: wickhammarketparishclerk@gmail.com OR telephone: 01394 459400. www.wickhammarketnp.org



You can give your thoughts and ideas at our open meetings and through the numerous community groups in the parish. By filling in the comment sheets attached you can post them in the suggestion boxes located throughout the village. The dates for the next few open meetings and location of the suggestion boxes are shown on the reverse of this leaflet.

How can I give my thoughts and ideas?

If you live, work or use Wickham Market services you can have your say on how the parish or Wickham Market develops. Your comments and ideas are a vital part to the Plan but only Wickham Market parishioners can vote when the final plan goes to referendum.

What does this mean for me?

Our Neighbourhood Plan will be drafted by local volunteers and more importantly by your ideas and aspirations for the Parish. The Plan will take around two years to complete and will incorporate many consultations and opportunities for community opinion.

Our Neighbourhood Plan brings in additional funds for the community to use on projects around the Parish. It's also easier to apply for grants to do the things we want.

Without a Neighbourhood Plan a Developer, Landowner or District Council could make the decision for us. With a Neighbourhood Plan in place we cannot stop development but we can have a strong influence on where development takes place, together with stipulations on the design and type of homes built.

However, our position is vulnerable in that the strong pressure from Government to build more homes continues and Wickham Market, as a Key Service Centre, could be an attractive proposition for developers.

According to Suffolk Coastal District Council we have met all our housing development requirements as stated in their Local Plan until 2027.

A Neighbourhood Plan is a document that sets out policies in relation to the development and use of land - in this case Wickham Market.

What is a Neighbourhood Plan?

How do YOU see the future of Wickham Market?
 It's YOUR community - how do YOU want it to develop?
 It's time for YOU to give YOUR views....

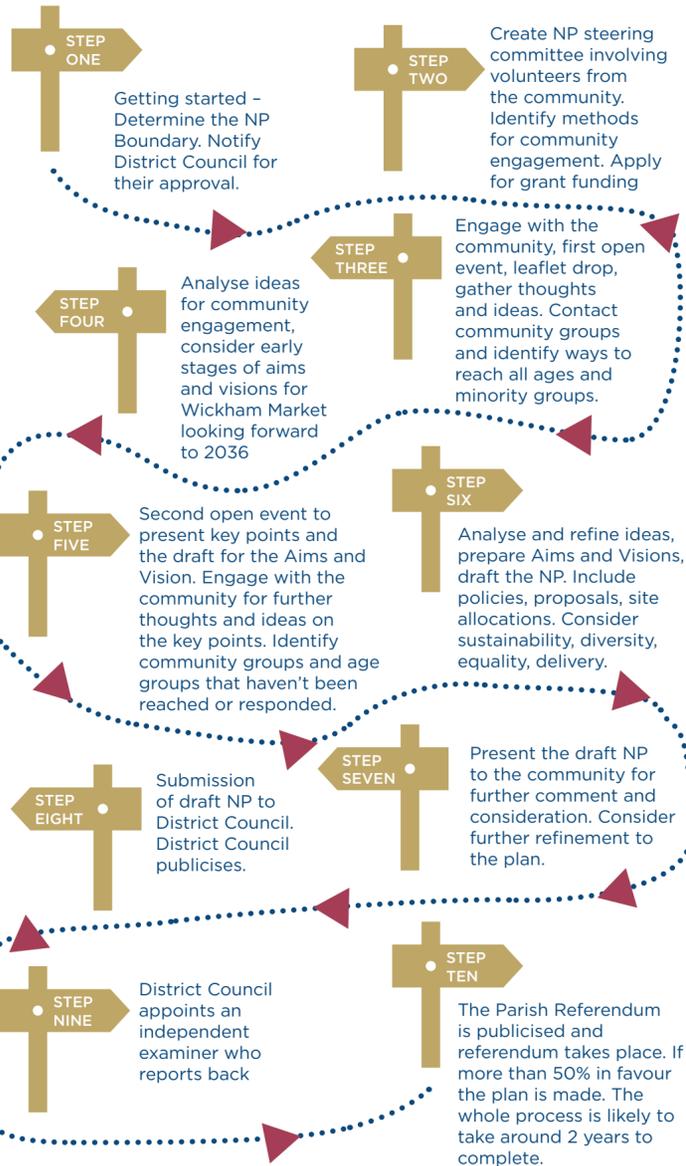
WICKHAM MARKET
 This is YOUR community - how should it develop?
 Have YOUR say, YOUR views matter...
HAVE YOUR SAY NOW!
 We are creating a Neighbourhood Plan



HAVE YOUR SAY!



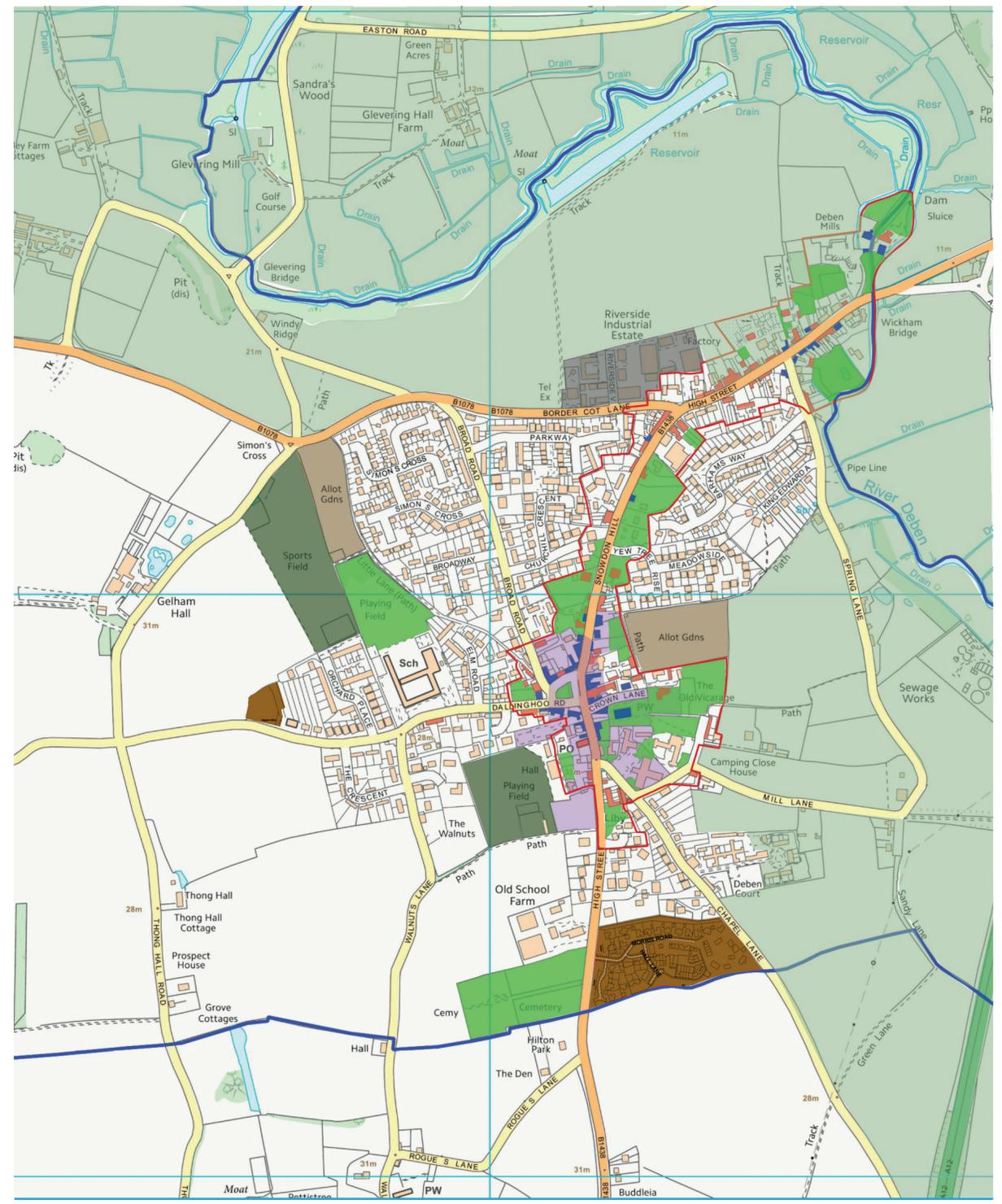
THE PROCESS



WICKHAM MARKET

MAP KEY:

- Conservation Area Boundary
- Listed Buildings
- Unlisted buildings that make a positive contribution
- Important open/green/tree space
- Important Feature
- Shopping District
- Sports fields
- Allotments
- Special Landscape Area
- New developments



ABOUT WICKHAM MARKET

Wickham Market is a rural parish of around 2300 people and 1000 dwellings. The village of Wickham Market is classified as a Key Service Centre with public transport access; shops to meet everyday needs; local employment; post office; primary school and doctor's surgery. With this extensive range of facilities it provides services and facilities to a population beyond that of the Parish itself.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS

We have a very strong community spirit, with over 40 clubs and associations ranging from needlework to allotment growers. We are looking to these groups to help us create the Neighbourhood Plan and make it a brilliant plan for Wickham Market.



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