



HAVE YOUR SAY ON THE DRAFT UPDATE OF THE JOINT MELKSHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN! CONSULTATION OPEN UNTIL SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER



FOCUS ON: CONSERVE AND PROTECT

The Neighbourhood Plan is about more than just housing.
Through the Neighbourhood Plan we can identify things which are important
to us locally to conserve and protect.

PROTECTING GREEN SPACES

Through this update to the Neighbourhood Plan, we have identified green areas that should be protected from development.

Local Green Space designation is a way to provide special protection against development for green areas of particular importance to local communities. Local Green Space designation in Wiltshire can only be made through Neighbourhood Plans.

Community consultation and work by the Plan steering group has identified 50 potential Local Green Spaces across the town and in our villages. We need to show the Plan examiner that these spaces meet national criteria in that they are 'demonstrably special' and have a 'particular significance' for local people. That means we need you to let us know if any other potential spaces are special to you.

Read more on page 93 onwards in the Neighbourhood Plan and go to the website to let us know which spaces are special to you.

PROTECTING THE COUNTRYSIDE

With more development comes more pressure on our countryside.

Through this update to our Neighbourhood Plan we are aiming to protect green countryside gaps - or 'wedges' - between built areas, especially where there is pressure from development that could lead to these places merging together - such as Whitley and Shaw. We need to show that there is local support for this policy.

Read more on page 103 onwards in the Neighbourhood Plan.

CONSERVING LOCAL HERITAGE

Read more in the draft updated
Neighbourhood Plan

Through the Neighbourhood Plan we can add local detail and information to supplement what already exists to protect our heritage (the town centre conservation area and our many listed buildings).

Areas such as 'The City' and 'The Spa' are identified in the plan as important areas of local heritage. As are buildings such as New Hall, the former Lloyds Bank in town and Whitley Reading Rooms, and structures such as Kelly's Lamp are identified in a 'local list' of non-designated heritage assets so that they are given some consideration in planning decisions as things which are important to our local history and identity.

SCAN THE CODE TO
VIEW THE PLAN



PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENTS

Come and read the draft plan, look at the evidence documents
and ask questions at these events

Friday 10th November - 4-7pm - Shaw Village Hall SN12 8EW

Saturday 11th November - 10am-2pm - Campus SN12 6ES

View hard copies of the plan, evidence documents and questionnaires at: Melksham Town Hall • Melksham Without Parish Council Offices • Melksham Campus (Library) • Spindles Cafe, Top Lane, Whitley

- Sign up for the mailing list
- Visit the website which is regularly updated www.melkshamneighbourhoodplan.org
- Follow the Facebook page [MelkshamNeighbourhoodPlan](https://www.facebook.com/MelkshamNeighbourhoodPlan)

- Attend future consultation events
- Read regular updates in the Melksham News
- Email us on contact@melkshamneighbourhoodplan.org

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