



Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire

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Darley Dale Draft Neighbourhood Plan

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This draft version of Darley Dale's Neighbourhood Plan is available for public consultation for a period of 6 weeks from 4 April 2016. Please ensure you submit your response by 14th May 2016. Following this consultation the draft will be revised to reflect ideas and opinions from the widest possible range of people.

The Neighbourhood Plan sets out planning policies for the parish of Darley Dale from 2015 to 2033. It has been drafted by a Steering Group made up of residents and councillors from the Darley Dale Town Council. Once adopted or "made", the Neighbourhood Plan must be used by planners at Derbyshire Dales District Council in assessing planning applications, and by developers preparing applications to Derbyshire Dales District Council.

The Steering Group would very much like to have your reactions to the analysis and policies set out in the draft. The following questions are designed to capture your feelings about the draft Plan and, in case there are other relevant issues which you would like considered, to give you an opportunity to set these out.

The draft version of the Neighbourhood Plan is available on the Darley Dale Council Website (www.darleydale.gov.uk), as is the Darley Dale Place Analysis referred to in some of the questions below.

I am a resident of Darley Dale

Please tick

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1. Darley Dale Parish is made up of a number of settlements each of which has identifiable characteristics. These settlements are clustered along the A6 and up the lower valley slopes. The separate and distinct nature of the settlements is what makes up the distinctive character of Darley Dale. (For more detail please see the Darley Dale Place Analysis which is available at www.darleydale.gov.uk.)

Do you recognise and agree with the settlement pattern as described in Section 7?

- Strongly Agree
 Agree
 Disagree
 Strongly Disagree

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2. Do you agree with the statement of community vision on page 19?

'In 20 years' time Darley Dale Parish will be a welcoming and thriving community for all ages. It will still be a predominantly rural area but it will also provide a high quality environment in which to live, work and spend leisure time. New development will have blended sensitively with the existing character of the settlements. Great care will have been taken to protect the special landscape which defines the parish so that the buildings and landscape continue to inspire local people and visitors alike'.

- Strongly Agree
 Agree
 Disagree
 Strongly Disagree

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3. Do you agree with these Community Objectives from section 8 set out below?

3.1 Ensuring that all new development is designed and located so that it minimises its impact on the natural and built environment, whilst providing direct benefit to local people by:

- a) Being located adjacent to the existing settlements
b) Being suitable to meet Parish needs
c) Being informed by the Darley Dale's Place Analysis (as well as other District and County studies)
d) Being underpinned by extensive local consultation

- Strongly Agree
 Agree
 Disagree
 Strongly Disagree

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3.2 Ensuring that all new development is designed so that

- a) it respects the materials, style, and layout of the existing settlement (where applicable)
b) it enhances, rather than diminishes, the existing character of Darley Dale parish.

- Strongly Agree
 Agree
 Disagree
 Strongly Disagree

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4. Do you agree with the key principle of pre-application Community Consultation (p21)?

Applicants submitting development proposals are encouraged to actively engage in consultation with the Town Council and the community as part of the design process at the pre application stage.

- Strongly Agree
 Agree
 Disagree
 Strongly Disagree

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5. Do you agree with Policy 1: Protecting the landscape character of Darley Dale (p25)?

1. Development will be supported where the scheme can demonstrate;

- a) that it contributes to the distinctive character of the Parish,**
b) the scale of development reflects the scale of that settlement and the rural nature of the Parish,
c) how it maintains the sense of openness between the settlements (where this is a key component of their distinctive character) and
d) landscaping and boundary treatments reflect and where possible enhance existing landscape character as defined in the Landscape Sensitivity Study 2015.

2. Development along the A6 corridor should demonstrate in its scale and design

- a) how it maintains the green corridor and sense of openness along the Derwent Valley and**
b) does not create coalescence with Matlock.

3. Development on the edge of settlements should be of a high quality design that protects, enhances and where practicable, restores landscape character.

- Strongly Agree
 Agree
 Disagree
 Strongly Disagree

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6. Do you agree with Policy 2: Protecting the setting of the Peak District National Park (p26)?

Development proposals should demonstrate how the design, layout and boundary treatments are informed by and are sympathetic to the setting of the Peak District National Park and where appropriate incorporate landscape mitigation measures.

- Strongly Agree
 Agree
 Disagree
 Strongly Disagree

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7. Do you agree with Policy 3: Proposed residential development - Whitworth Trust (p31)?

1. Residential development on the site shown on map 7 and diagram 2 will be supported where the scheme;
a) recognises the significance of the Registered Park as a heritage asset as a central part of the development,
b) is in accordance with the design principles in the Darley Dales Place Analysis,
c) provides in the region of 30 market dwellings
d) provides in the region of 8 dwellings suitable for local older people where the ownership remains with the Whitworth Trust.

- Strongly Agree
 Agree
 Disagree
 Strongly Disagree

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8. Do you agree with Policy 4: Designating a Local Green Space (p31)?

1. The area identified on diagram 2 is designated a Local Green Space.
 2. So far as is consistent with its predominantly open and undeveloped character, opportunities to improve public access and recreational use areas will be encouraged for the benefit of the wider community.
 3. Opportunities to conserve, enhance and/or restore the historic parkland will be a priority.
- Strongly Agree
 Agree
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9. Do you agree with Policy 5: Residential development on allocated sites in Darley Dale (p31)?

1. Development will be supported on allocated sites providing the scheme demonstrates how it:
 - a) maintains the visual openness and connections with and to the surrounding countryside where applicable,
 - b) contributes positively to the area's character, history and identity and the relationship to adjacent buildings and landscape features,
 - c) reinforces local distinctiveness and a strong sense of place as identified in the Darley Dales Place Analysis,
 - d) protects and where possible enhances the setting of heritage assets where applicable.
- Strongly Agree
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10. Do you agree with Policy 6: Design principles for residential development (p33)?

1. Residential development will be supported where it demonstrates:

a) layout that maximises opportunities to integrate development into the existing settlements through creating new connections and improving existing ones and which allows for easy, direct movement for people of all ages to access local amenities where applicable and

2. Where the immediate environment of the site has less visual, social, natural or historic quality development should be guided by the characteristics of Darley Dale from the Darley Dale Place Analysis where applicable.

b) Elsewhere, designs should draw upon local character history and identity in terms of scale, height, density, layout, appearance and materials as detailed in the Darley Dales Place Analysis to ensure development contributes positively to the quality of development in Darley Dale and reinforces local distinctiveness.

3. For development within the settlements, applicants are required to show how their proposals reflects the positive attributes of the character area within which the scheme is located in accordance with the Darley Dale Place Analysis.

4. The use of industry standards for good design (Building for Life 12 or the most recent national standards) in both developing design concepts and in testing the final design proposal for quality will be strongly encouraged for all new residential development.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

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11. Do you agree with Policy 7: Allocation of affordable housing (p34)?

1. All Affordable Housing in the Plan area will be allocated based on a local connection criterion, meaning that people with a strong local connection to the area and whose needs are not met by the existing provision will be first to be offered the tenancy of the home.

2. The terms of priority of selection will be based on the most up to date evidence of local need and will be formalised via a legal agreement.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
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- Strongly Disagree

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12. Do you agree with Policy 8: Enhancing the provision of community facilities (p35)?

1. Proposals to improve community facilities within the parish will be supported where;

- a) it can be demonstrated that the scheme is meeting a local need,
- b) there is explicit community support for the proposal and
- c) the scheme is appropriate to its rural setting.

2. Proposals to develop the Whitworth Institute or Whitworth Park will be particularly encouraged where the scheme;

- a) recognises the significance of the heritage assets as a central part of the proposal,
- b) has special regard to the desirability of preserving the assets or their setting or any features of special architectural or historic interest.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Disagree
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