

Requirements from Councillors to assist with Neighbourhood Plan

1. Provide evidence for DP02 and DP05 (both policies refer to Development). Essentially a housing needs assessment is required. This could be available from NDC and we have some of our own from the Catalyst consultation and DCT comments. As regards 'Principal' residence, evidence of lack of rental housing for key workers etc and numbers of second homes in the Parish. There is probably info we can use from NDC and/or housing charities.
2. Green space, strategic wedges etc come up several times in our document and some of this work has been done. Identification of all community spaces, wildlife habitats comes in here so that it can be referred to in the various policies. There are five I think. Stuarts commentary explains but we need to pinpoint precisely each vista, green corridors, strategic gaps, county wildlife sites, localised green spaces, playing fields, orchards etc. A lot of this is listed but they need evidencing with photographs and explanation of why they are important. Wildlife Trust, Gaia Trust, RSPB, Public Footpaths and others hopefully have info we can use and there are SSSI's and Nature Reserves too already designated. This is a big job but will sort out a lot for us in one piece of work.
3. Transport plan required or the bare bones of one. Not a policy itself but something that can be referred to in the plan. Needs to show the connectivity that exists and what we would like between the communities and the various facilities and places of employment including into Barnstaple. Footpaths, pavements, cycle paths, the Tarka Trail etc that provide the most easily accessed connectivity showing where improvements are required should be shown. Bus links, bus stops, taxi drop off points too! This plan/map should not show every detailed route link but the most convenient easily accessed. And access by all is the key here. Clearly vehicular will/may be different from pedestrian/cycle routes.
4. Provide evidence for allotments and perhaps identify location GP02 (Green Space) (The walled garden at the Army Camp for example). Relatively easy waiting lists, govt guidelines to support.
5. Produce vicinity definition for CP01 (Community & Wellbeing). Use zone map and show an area 15min walk from centre of Yelland. Where is the centre of Yelland? Relatively easy.
6. Produce evidence for 3G sports pitch/all weather running track. GP03 (Community & Wellbeing). Requests from local clubs, proof of oversubscription elsewhere. Govt guidelines on healthy/active lives. Input from sport for all or the FA?
7. Finally an action plan to safeguard landmarks/buildings of importance within the parish that are not already listed or protected. For example maybe the War Memorial and Dunning's Green. We have a list from the Catalyst work.