

Parishes Bulletin 42

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Welcome to this latest Parishes Bulletin

Local Plan Review – Parish Council Survey

Parish Councils have a vital role to play in developing new planning policy for the National Park. If parish councillors have already taken part in our previous public online survey, or in the stakeholder workshops that we held last summer, thank you.

We'd now like your views on some very specific questions about the settlements in the National Park. Questions such as:

- where best to accommodate more housing
- how to keep properties affordable, for local people in need
- how to address climate change and nature recovery.

The survey is on-line until the end of August. We ask for one response from each parish council or parish meeting that is wholly or partly within the National Park.

The link to the survey is on our <u>local plan review webpage</u>, where you'll also find a printable version so that the questions can be discussed and responses agreed in advance.

If you have any questions about the survey, or any aspect of the review of the local plan, please speak to the Policy and Communities Team manager Adele Metcalfe.

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Parishes Day 2022

A reminder that Parishes Day this year will be held on Saturday October 1st.

We are pleased to announce that it will be an "in person" event held at Aldern House again, rather than being a virtual event, as it was for the last couple of years due to Covid restrictions.

We are working on themes for discussion with the Peak Park Parishes Forum in order to come up with some topics that you will find interesting and engaging. We plan on sending further information out in June/July.

Parishes Day gives you the opportunity to hear more about the work of the National Park and in particular the topics that are of importance to residents. You will also have the opportunity to ask questions of National Park Officers.



Figure 1 Parishes Day 2019

Pre Application Advice

You may be aware that our Pre Application Advice service is currently suspended.

We reviewed the suspension in April and again in May and have come to the conclusion that in order to enable our planning officers to continue to focus on processing applications, we will not be in a position to restart the pre application advice service until at least September 2022, when a further review will take place. We understand that this will cause inconvenience to applicants and agents, and apologise for this.

The only circumstances that this does not apply to are requests for pre application advice for schemes relating to Grade 1 and Grade 2* listed buildings (but not Grade 2 buildings) and for proposals that constitute Major Development.

We will also continue to accept simpler enquiries seeking advice as to the need for planning permissions and listed building consent, which is a free service.

Parishes Bulletin Survey

Thank you for your responses to our survey about the future of this bulletin. We had received some feedback at Parishes Day 2021 which led us to seek your opinions on whether we needed to make changes to its format.

Broadly you told us that you are happy with the bulletin as it is. It is being forwarded to councillors by Parish Clerks, and you are reading it. Most of you said that the length both of the bulletin and of individual stories is about right and that you are satisfied with the subjects we cover. Most of you also said that you would rather continue to receive the information via email rather than in another format, e.g. via Facebook or Next Door.

We are conscious that the bulletin has not been as regular as we would have liked, in the past. This is largely due to fluctuations in staffing and resources. In order to address this, we have decided to aim for two bulletins a year going forward, one in the Spring and one in the Autumn.

Planning Liaison Officer

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