DUNTON BASSETT
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT DROP-IN EVENT

Saturday 3rd November 2018

Consultation Results
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1) Background

Project Brief:

The RCC (Leicestershire & Rutland) was commissioned by Dunton Bassett Parish Council to:

Support the Dunton Bassett Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee to inform and consult the community on the Neighbourhood Plan via one Community Consultation Drop-in Event.

Aim:

The aim of this event was to inform the community on Neighbourhood Planning and gain some initial feedback from residents on what they liked, disliked or would like to see or improve within the parish.

Publicity:

The event was publicised throughout the parish via:

❖ Publicity Leaflets distributed to all households (Annex 1 / Publicity / Poster / Flyer)
❖ Article in the local Magazine
❖ Parish Council website
❖ The Dunton Bassett Neighbourhood Plan Facebook Page

For Reference:

This Drop-in event was held at Dunton Bassett Village Hall, on Saturday 3rd November 2018 from 12 – 4pm, to help engage as many residents as possible.

Those residents unable to attend the event were able to submit any written comments by posting them at the advertised collection point in the parish.
### 2) Format of Event

#### Drop-In Event Format

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<td>RCC Officer/Advisory Committee Member asked attendees to complete a short registration form upon entering the event. This enabled the gathering of key demographical data including; post code, age, gender, ethnicity. RCC Officer/Advisory Committee Member asked attendees to complete a contact details slip if they wanted to be kept updated with the NP process following the event or help with the project.</td>
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<td>RCC Officer/Advisory Committee Members provided a brief introduction to the event including; background to the project, format of the event, how to have a say, and how to stay updated following the event.</td>
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<td>Information outlining the background of the project was provided via a display board. Key points covered included: <em>What is a Neighbourhood Plan</em>, <em>why produce one</em>, <em>what a plan can and cannot do</em>, and <em>what the plan will look at and the designated NP Area</em>.</td>
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| **4** Consultation on Key Issues | A series of display boards were assembled around the room, each of which focused on a different topic related to planning and development displaying some background information on the parish as listed below:  
- **Open Green Spaces**  
- **Environment**  
- **Footpaths & Bridleways**  
- **History & Heritage**  
- **Flooding**  
- **Renewable Energy**  
- **Facilities & Services**  
- **Traffic & Transport**  
- **Housing**  
- **Employment & Business/Economy**  
- **Communications**  
- **Vision**  
Having read each of the displays, attendees were asked to list the things that they liked, disliked, or wanted to see or improve in relation to each topic area. |
| **5** Visual Maps | Opportunity to indicate important Green Open Spaces. Coloured dots were provided for attendees to highlight green spaces that they valued within the parish. *(Green – 2 spaces valued for visual amenity; Blue – 2 spaces valued for recreational use)* |
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**LIKE**

- **Access:**
  - Like – easy access to nearby towns & villages by car

**DO NOT LIKE**

- **Rat-Run:**
  - Don’t like rush hour rat run through village
  - I don’t like Church Lane being used as a rat-run. It seems ridiculous going from 40 to 20 limit. Could we have a 30 limit on Church Lane?

- **Public Transport:**
  - Don’t like – poor bus service no car is essential

- **Parking:**
  - Don’t like – excessive on road car parking

- **Village separation:**
  - Don’t like village is divided by A426

- **Coopers Lane:**
  - The road through our village Coopers Lane and A426 traffic lights just cannot cope, and Station Rd is also blocked on a regular basis

- **Through traffic:**
  - All traffic from the new town in Lutterworth will come across the new road and bridge onto the A426 and have to come through to Dunton Bassett to traffic lights to get to Blaby, Wigston, Broughton even maybe Hinckley and for those not wanting to travel on the M1 into Leics. The roads can’t cope

**WOULD LIKE TO SEE / IMPROVE**

- **Public Transport – Bus Service/Train:**
  - Bus service not much use in the evening if you want to go into Lutterworth or Leicester
  - We need a bus that goes through the village to Leire as carrying shopping from Coopers Lane to Little Lunnun is a long way for some people. So parking needs to be changed
  - Improve local bus service frequency / times
• Once an hour bus service not good. Long walk from stops on Coopers Lane it used to run through the village
• Bus service to run through the village
• Try to improve links via buses with improved times and linking to Lutterworth as hub
• Bus service to Rugby – again!
• Bus stop nearer to the village heart
• Zebra crossing to bus stop on opposite side of Coopers Lane because it’s really hard & dangerous to cross when rush hour in morning for school children
• Maintain existing bus service, as a minimum
• Maintain bus service to local villages & towns to reduce use of cars
• Re-open the railway station
• Reopen the railway station to provide fast access to Leicester
• Would opening the railroad help with traffic?

**Speed Camera / Speeding / Calming:**
• Put an average speed camera on A426 from the start Dunton Bassett (car wash) to crossroads car sales (one person commented on this saying “cheap option”) (another two people agreed to this comment)
• Put an average speed camera on Coopers Lane as well and a crossing
• Review speed on A426
• Speed / calming measures camera coming into the village from Leire direction
• Erect proper speed cameras along Coopers Lane as too many cars speed along there. Coopers Lane cannot cope with any more traffic. Very dangerous!
• Speed restrictions and “bumps” in the main through road
• A426 – Leicester – Lutterworth Road needs 40MPH speed limit due to vehicles high speed & jumping traffic lights
• Speed is an issue particularly between the Mount & Leire Lane it can be scary crossing the road at School times
• Traffic calming needs to be investigated and created to slow the speed of car movements

**Coopers Lane**
• Traffic on Coopers Lane busy & fast – to develop unwise opposite as the road isolates any houses from the rest of the village & encourages car dependency
• Could we have a filter light system on Coopers Lane junction? (one person agreed to this comment)
• Coopers Lane needs 30MPH reporter signs to remind drivers of speed limit
• Filter on lights to Coopers Lane from (right turn)
• Must make speed limit max 40 more like 30 at junction of Coopers Lane & A426

**Rat-Run:**
• The plan needs to come up with some solutions to resolve the rat-run through Main Street & its speeding traffic (two people agreed to this comment)
• To prevent rat-runs the entrance at Main Street & Coopers Lane and Church Lane & A426 should be narrowed with arrows for access
• Many people have said it – but stop Church Lane as a rat-run
• Could we get speed restrictions on Church Lane to prevent it being used as a ‘rat-run’
• Major concern over proposed new development on Coopers Lane with regard to increasing the traffic through the ‘rat-run’ through the village & past the Church
• The amount of cars to new developments in nearby villages/towns will increase the loads on the A426. The village “rat-run” needs to be addressed
School Parking/ Transport:
- Allocate space for school parking
- Put restrictions near school for parents dropping off children (one person agrees to this comment)
- Initiative for children ‘caravans’ to walk to school

Parking:
- More parking spaces in village so that roads are safer and so emergency vehicles can get through
- Insufficient off – street parking in village – lots of cars parked on street – creates hazard, particularly for children crossing the road Any future development should ensure there is more than ample parking areas for new residents.
- At present cars are parked on the footpaths because there is no room for vehicles at various newer properties.

Reduce Traffic/ Traffic Measures:
- Roads are a nightmare and pretty much single lane to on road parking. Anything to reduce traffic passing through would help
- Traffic measures through village to reduce the short cut (avoiding traffic lights) to Broughton/ Lutterworth in the mornings and evenings

Garden/ Grass Verge:
- If the houses are to be built on Coopers Lane, ensure/insist that the same distance between road and actual house meaning garden and grass verge so that they do not overpower people living in Coopers Lane. Just 1 single row (one person agrees to this comment)

Large Development:
- Traffic wise village not suitable for large development

Road Infrastructure:
- Modify road structure in village to prevent through traffic. Will stop people cutting through the village to avoid the A426/ Coopers Lane Traffic Lights

Small Development:
- Better suited to smaller developments & infill building

Yellow Lines:
- Put yellow lines outside Dunton Bassett Arms
# Facilities & Services

**IN RELATION TO FACILITIES & SERVICES IN DUNTON BASSETT**

**WHAT DO YOU LIKE**

**WHAT DO YOU NOT LIKE**

**WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE / IMPROVE?**

| Total Comments | 40 |

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**LIKE**

**Playground:**
- Playground good
- The playground is a good, well used facility

**Activities:**
- Like - the activities which bring the village together

**Facilities/ Improve:**
- Like – facilities are reasonable for the use of the village, but if it is forced to expand, it is essential to improve

**DO NOT LIKE**

**Community Feel:**
- Don’t like – not enough community feel

**WOULD LIKE TO SEE / IMPROVE**

**Village Shop:**
- Village shop (one person agreed with this comment)
- Small general store
- Lack of a shop
- Needs a local shop
- Although we didn’t use the shop a lot we do miss it! and the post Office
- Local shop would be useful, including off-licence
- As the village is in the Leicestershire Round it would be a great addition to have a community shop with quality produce (one person agreed to this comment)
- Village store needed
- Some form of local shop
- Would be nice to have: general store/ shop/ Deli of some description

**Post Office:**
- Post office
- Lack of post office
- Need a post office
- Post office needed
- Some form of post office
Facilities for older children/ youngsters:
- We need more facilities for older children in the village as the play area is too young for them, exercise equipment would be very useful
- Playground good but more for older ones for football etc, possible exercise equipment
- How about a youth group/ regular games night for teenagers
- Provision for youngsters
- More outdoor spaces for older children/ young adults

Café:
- Café (one person agreed with this comment)
- As the village is in the Leicestershire Round it would be a great addition to have a community café with quality produce (one person agreed to this comment)
- Some form of café

School:
- School needs money spending on it. Only just copes with numbers now. This needs addressing before any more houses are built
- Would be nice to have: more space for school

Sports Facilities:
- Would like to have a larger space – for sports/ ball games including adult/youth exercise equipment
- A multi-purpose football/ basketball court would be ideal
- Area on the park maybe for playing football

Village Hall:
- Village hall is inadequate to serve on a proper community centre
- Village hall activities Saturday, night theatre, music quiz, dancers Like Elmesthorpe

Chemist:
- Chemist

Scout Hut:
- Scout hut

Other:
- Similar to Cosby would be great (three people agreed to this comment)
- Identify parish boundry on roads entering the parish, i.e. not just the village centre
- Existing facilities need to be improved taking all age groups into consideration from the very young to the very old
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<td>• No large housing developments – small groups only</td>
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<td>• No need for big housing estate we are a village – let’s just do smaller areas with few character houses to keep character of village – we are not Broughton Ashley (one person agrees to this comment)</td>
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<td>• No large developments on the edge of the village No anti small developments in the village</td>
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<td>As the area, Mkt Harborough, has a new town planned at Lutterworth with 3,000 houses and down the road near Blaby another new development I see no need at all to try to make small villages, like Dunton that doesn’t have any amenities, have any houses at all. We have filled in already, I know I’ve lived here all my life</td>
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<td>• Improve – given the need for new housing, continue with small developments - avoid large modern estate boxes – new housing must fit in with the ‘village style’ (one person agrees to this comment)</td>
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<td>• This village only needs up to 20 smaller houses to enable those both here to live in the village as adults. There are 9 unsold houses at the moment in the medium &amp; large categories. Amenities are not sufficient to support any more</td>
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<td>• We need small developments of mixed housing suitable for young &amp; old</td>
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<td>• Small scale developments are needed with respect for the village and its character being maintained by good quality builders</td>
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<td>• Social small bungalows for older people with alarm support to reduce need for people to go to care homes etc</td>
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<td>• Need for some social housing</td>
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Affordable Housing:
- Affordable housing & shared part ownership
- Need for affordable homes
- Need affordable housing

Architectural/ Attractive:
- I would like to see any development to be architecturally attractive not necessarily traditional but equally not some soul-sucking plain red brick boxes that seem the mainstay of modern development
- Housing developers tend to have design houses which are a pastiche of prelims styles. This is not architecture. Houses built in 2018 should be of this time. Example modern stylish housing should be welcomes in Dunton Bassett

Starter Homes:
- More starter homes to suit 1st time buyers and those wanting to downsize (one person agrees to this comment)
- We need some starter homes rather than new major developments that will have to commute every day
- Some housing is desirable – starter homes suitable for young families or older residents wishing to downsize

Composition of Housing:
- It would be interesting to know the composition of the households. How many 1- or 2-person household and how does this compare to the average?

Consider Traffic Issues:
- Need to consider traffic issues when planning more housing (one person agrees to this comment)

Houses for young families:
- Smaller houses for first time buyers and those with young families to keep the village alive (one person agrees to this comment)

In Keeping with the village:
- Housing sympathetic to the village in style & materials with trees!

Non-Executives:
- There are enough ‘executive homes’ everywhere. We need houses for non-executives

Not Isolated from Village:
- Groups of no more than 5/6 houses for new developments – not isolated from village across busy road

Rented Housing:
- I feel greatest need is rented (Housing Assoc)

Downsizing:
- It would be nice to see more good quality bungalows to allow downsizing for villagers

Self-build:
- I would like some provision for self-build housing set aside and protected from developers. This could be for high spec housing or equally decent quality affordable housing or a good mix of both
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**COMMENTS**

**NOT LIKE**

**Businesses/ Employment Sites:**
- A rural village like ours, doesn’t need a business
- No warehouses or the like to be situated in the village

**LIKE TO SEE / IMPROVE**

**Businesses/ Employment Sites:**
- Small-business start up’s
- Are employment sites really needed in a village? People work from home, but larger businesses really need to be out of the village
- Not aware of much need. Most self-employed will work from home or if they seek shared office space will find it in Lutterworth or other towns

**Post Office:**
- A good village post office would be welcome
- Would be nice to have a post office again (3 people agree to this comment)
- It would be wonderful to see the Post Office re-opened

**Surgeries:**
- Local advice, surgeries in village hall – MP / Councillor / all issues
- Small shop & café

**Village Shop:**
- A good village shop would be welcome
- Would be nice to have a shop again (3 people agree to this comment)

**Employment:**
- Friendly employment for young willing adults/ teens

**Pub:**
- Village pub open lunchtime

**Other:**
- I’d like to see the village busy during weekdays, but quieter at the weekend
## History & Heritage

**Question / Instruction**

**IN RELATION TO HISTORY & HERITAGE IN DUNTON BASSETT**

**WHAT DO YOU LIKE**

**WHAT DO YOU NOT LIKE**

**WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE / IMPROVE?**

**Total Comments** 14

### COMMENTS

**WOULD LIKE TO SEE / IMPROVE**

**Maintain/ Preserve:**
- To maintain the history & heritage features in the village including thatched buildings and listed properties!
- Must preserve historic and listed buildings – don’t take away the character of the village
- The historic buildings in the village need to be cherished. A lot of thought needs to go into any future buildings / developments
- Need to ensure all listed houses and heritage sites are preserved
- Need to ensure the history and past all preserved, whilst the new is incorporated appropriately. Keep our village a village!
- We are lucky to have a rich history of buildings and landscapes within the boundaries of the village- this needs to be respected in any future development and maintained for the new population in the years/ decades to come

**Maintain Village Feel / In Keeping With:**
- Maintain the “village feel” which helps to develop a community value older property and maintain its historical data
- It is important to keep the ambiance of the village i.e. the beat should not be built upon (one person agreed to this comment)
- It's important to retain the historic styles of the village to keep future building in the style of existing properties

**Historic Views:**
- Essential that any development does not spoil the historic parts of the village and historic views much as the church from ‘the beat’ (two people agree to this comment)
- No’s 1/2/3/4 all grade II listed and part of curtilage of original Bloomhills Farm

**Compatible Sized Development:**
- The historic nature of the village must be preserved - therefore any development should be of a compatible size / style & situation

**Historic Nature:**
- Infill must not alter the historic nature of the buildings which gives Dunton its heritage! (two people agree to this comment)

**Neighbourhood Plan:**
- Neighbourhood plan should include development that is or will become important buildings & structure i.e. become / add to ‘listed’ in Dunton Bassett. Make new history / heritage for those that come after
## Footpaths & Bridleways

**IN RELATION TO FOOTPATHS & BRIDLEWAYS IN DUNTON BASSETT**

**WHAT DO YOU LIKE**

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**WOULD LIKE TO SEE / IMPROVE**

**Attention/ Maintain:**
- Footpath from Beat to Little Lunnon needs attention new trees etc got damaged in winds – very slippery as on a slope – will only get worse in winter
- Part of the Leicestershire Round and the County Council should be made to maintain them
- Footpaths to Main Road (A426) from Church Lane would be good
- Ensure footpaths surrounding Dunton are maintained & not encroached by the farming community (one person agrees to this comment)
- These are great assets used by many villagers and visitors. They need to be protected in the future:

**Farmers:**
- Farmers to leave the footpaths alone instead of ploughing straight across
- To many local farmers completely ignoring the law and plough and plant every year over public footpaths – despite attempts by the council to force them to keep them open by cutting paths in the crops to keep them open

**Improvement:**
- Improve – if there is development in the village – include near footpaths
- In places footpaths need to be replaced

**Dog Owners:**
- Leicestershire Round well used. Dog owners help to use the other existing paths

**Identified:**
- More footpaths/ bridleways identified

**Important:**
- Footpaths are important
- Footpaths in Dunton – especially Little Lunnon & the footpath off that are used by many people and a lot from neighbouring conurbations, especially Broughton Astley. Our public rights of way are extremely important
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**COMMENTS**

**WOULD LIKE TO SEE / IMPROVE**

**More Open Spaces:**
- Be nice to have more “open spaces” with gardens and seats, not sure where though
- Would be great to have more open spaces for multi age use
- More shared open spaces
- We need more. We need to conserve the few we have and produce more for future generation

**Bird Field:**
- The Bird Field is a village space, but is it, farmer still owns it, only usable 2 or 3 times a year
- Bird Field is owned by the church, Dunton Bassett Parochial Church Council and Leicestershire Diocese, kept as a public amenity and green space.

**Maintain/ Retain:**
- Would be great to maintain the green spaces we've got
- Retain, retain, retain our green space. Wonderful walks and houses benefit the vistas of the Pine Trees Always
- Our green and pleasant land needs to be preserved. We are lucky to have surrounding countryside and wonderful walks within our village – this needs to be protected

**Village Green:**
- Village Green or Centre for people to sit/ meet/ resolve isolation/ loneliness
- A village green is a great idea

**Access:**
- Access from the play park area into the field behind so kids can get from the footpath into the playground without climbing over a barbed wire fence

**Allotments:**
- The allotments are a well-used amenity
Allotments should be retained as a village amenity. It has been in existence since 1950’s and is an important part of village life

**Wildlife & Protected Areas/ Conservation:**
- Like to see wildlife & protected areas, can Dunton Bassett be a Conservation area?
Important Open Green Spaces

Question / Instruction

Please use the sticky dots provided to identify on the map any important green spaces that you value in the Parish.

Please place a **BLUE** dot on up to 2 spaces that you value most for Leisure & Recreation (e.g. walking, cycling, relaxing, playing, or sport).

Please place a **GREEN** dot on up to 2 spaces that you value most for their visual amenity (view of, from or within the village).
## Renewable Energy

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## COMMENTS

### WOULD LIKE TO SEE / IMPROVE

**Solar Panels:**
- More encouragement needed from Harborough District Council & government to home owners to generate power from solar panels
- Solar panels
- Any scope for a solar farm!
- If any development – all should have solar panels on the roof as a planning regulation

**Scheme/ Advice for efficiency:**
- Local scheme to encourage & help people to improve thermal efficiency of their houses
- Offer advice and assistance on more efficient energy use etc
- More ideas on how to conserve energy and produce it (one person agrees to this comments)

**Future Housing zero carbon rated:**
- Future housing built with zero carbon rating
- Require all development to meet zero carbon now (one other person agreed)
- Renewable energy very important as global warming is recognised. All new build schemes be zero rated and other householders should be encouraged to make their homes more energy efficient (one person agrees to this comment)
- All new developments should be made to be environmentally friendly and if it’s costly the developers made to stand much of the cost
- This is very important for the future. Natural resources are diminishing so all new housing should take this into consideration.

**Car Share:**
- Widening the environmental issues: encourage car shares to and from Lutterworth/ Leicester/ Market Harborough

**Wind Turbines:**
- Less wind turbines as they’re not highly efficient This is very important for the future. Natural resources are diminishing so all new housing should take this into consideration.
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**Speeding:**
- Too much speeding traffic
- Stop speeding cars & bikes racing through

**Wildlife Areas:**
- Bug ‘hotel’ or wild bee hives in wildlife area adjacent to the park?
- More wild life areas & butterfly/ bee friendly plants/ flowers

**Dog Bin:**
- Dog bin on Dunton Road – on main road across from service road

**Green Areas:**
- Would be good to have green areas i.e. free space at the bottom of Little Lunnon cleared with a seating area just for quiet time

**Maintain:**
- Maintain open areas within the village

**Park Area:**
- A decent size park area in the village centre where kids can kick a ball around etc

**Views:**
- Views over to Bradgate Park from our village are a special part of living here

**Air Quality:**
- Air quality needs to be taken into account – too much dense developments will threaten this.
# Communications

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### WOULD LIKE TO SEE / IMPROVE

**Broadband:**
- Reasonable broadband
- Super-fast would be very useful for the self-employed
- Need fibre!! To the premises!!
- Would be nice to have: more reliable fibre internet to all parts of the village

# Flooding

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**Heavy Rain / Flooded areas:**
- After heavy rain a spring opens up at the bottom of the ‘Beat’. Runs down the drive of 5 Mount View and floods. The Mount and sometimes the Village Hall
- Need green areas close to village as it soaks up any excess water from heavy rain – concrete & roads don’t!
- The houses opposite Charli Browns Nursery have been flooded several times in recent years. They are in the DB Parish

**Consider:**
- Future development should take into consideration possible flooding
- We are a village at high risk of flooding and this needs very serious consideration in any future development

**Water Flow:**
- Problem with water flowing at fields on Little Lunnon/ The Mount down to village Hall
YOUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF DUNTON BASSETT

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**Facilities:**
- Better community facilities e.g. shop
- Has small local shop
- A central pub
- Community village shop selling local produce e.g. honey, eggs, veg & unpasteurised milk, run by village residents
- Selling tea/ cake soup/ fresh bread for hungry walkers on the Leicestershire Round (one person agreed to this comment)

**Public Transport:**
- Better public transport - ideally rail links with a re-opened station
- A reliable bus service with stops older folks can access to shop in Lutterworth & Leicester
- Better transport facilities
- Better transport links – buses

**Small Scale Developments:**
- Much like now with small scale development in keeping with village character
- A few more, smaller houses for first time buyers
- No large estate type development
- Small development of good quality would be preferable to the large sale plans that are put forward

**Caring Community/ Community Feel:**
- A caring community where young and old, both age well together
- A community that cares for neighbours
- A nice community feel with the village still being a small rural village
- A much-improved community spirit and participation in Parish Council and village events

**Retain Village Status:**
- Retain village status, no big developments
- Still a village with shop / coffee
- Small groups of houses – no large development to retain “village feel” less “rat-run” traffic

**Affordable Housing:**
- Still be a village but have some affordable housing
- Affordable houses to bring more young people in the village (one person added to this saying “for young families & older people!”) (one other person agreed to this comment)

**Calmer Place:**
- A calmer place to live-in without traffic hurtling through the main village area
- A calmer place to live, more trees, less traffic, make people walk more!
Keeping the village, the same:
- Keeping village layout the same with linear/road fronted houses and small cul-de-sacs.
- It would be nice to keep the village as a village and maintain a sense of community (and possibly improve on it)

Slightly Bigger:
- Slightly bigger with appropriately improved facilities, not surrounded by infill housing
- Slightly larger with appropriately better facilities

Community Centre:
- Community centre?

Infill:
- Use infill to meet housing quota’s and retain the balance of space, walks and village

Possible New Junction M1:
- No encouragement from developments from the possible new junction on the M1

Village Centre:
- More trees, green spaces, village centre

Other:
- Younger, less privileged

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**Children’s Comments Received (aged 10)**

**WHAT I LIKE ABOUT WHERE I LIVE**
- The park
- The quietness
- The field
- I like the open fields that I like to play in
- I like the animals
- I like my school

**WHAT I DISLIKE ABOUT WHERE I LIVE**
- School
- The traffic noise outside
- The traffic
- I dislike the amount of playtime the school gives us

**IDEAS TO HELP IMPROVE WHERE I LIVE**
- More toys in school
- Bigger playground
- No more houses
- More toys to play with at school
- No more houses
- Bigger playground
ANNEX 1 - Publicity

Want to find out more and get involved?

Examples of topics to be covered at the Drop-in Events are:
- Housing (type and design);
- Transport and access (including roads, cycling, walking and disabled access);
- Provision for businesses to set up or expand; protection/creation of open spaces;
- Leisure facilities; history and heritage.

We need your views......

How to give your comments:
1. Come along to the Drop-in Event 3rd November
2. Email your views to: clerk@duntonbassettparishcouncil.org.uk
3. Write your views in the box below and put through the letterbox of the following address by 30th November:
   - 20 Little Lunn, Dunton Bassett, LE17 5JR

Your views are vital to this process. Further comments can be added by attaching an extra piece of paper.

DUNTON BASSETT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Community Consultation Drop-in Event
Saturday 3rd November 2018
12 - 4pm
Dunton Bassett Village Hall

This is your chance to help plan the future of where you live

Why Do We Need a Plan?

In theory, planning should always give local communities a say in decisions that affect them. However, in practice, people have often found it hard to get their voice heard.

The Neighbourhood Planning process will result in the production of a legally recognised document that will be used to ensure that the needs, views and priorities of the local community are fully considered when assessing future planning applications and proposed developments within the area.

A Neighbourhood Plan provides a great opportunity for you to have more influence on how Dunton Bassett will change over time. Your local knowledge and good sense of what should be protected and what needs to change can now really make a difference.

Who is Producing the Plan?

The production of the Dunton Bassett Neighbourhood Plan is being led by Dunton Bassett Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee consisting of volunteers who live, work or do business in the area. They are developing the plan with the full support of Dunton Bassett Parish Council which is the lead body.

The success of the plan will rely on on-going consultation, input and support from local residents, businesses, landowners and other organisations active within the parish.

Opportunities will be provided for ALL members of the community to engage in and inform the production of the plan. If you would like to get involved, have your say on future development and help to plan the future of the Parish, come along to this first event and give us your views.

What is Neighbourhood Planning?

Neighbourhood planning is a new process within the reformed Town and Country Planning System. It has been agreed by Government through the Localism Act, which provides the community with an opportunity to influence the planning and development of their area by producing a statutory planning document. Once made it will be used to help inform decisions in relation to future planning applications across the parish. The Neighbourhood Plan will allow those who live, work and have a business in the area to have a say on:

- What type of development is needed and what it should look like
- The most appropriate places for new homes, shops, offices, leisure facilities and other developments to be located
- Which important green spaces and other important areas should be protected
- What improvements or additions to local facilities and services will be required alongside any development

DUNTON BASSETT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN DROP-IN EVENTS

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Dunton Bassett Village Hall · Lutterworth
11 people interested