

LEEK NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN



FEEDBACK FORM

LEEK TOWN COUNCIL

Leek Town Council is producing a Neighbourhood Plan for Leek to guide the planning and future development of the town up to 2031. The Neighbourhood Plan will give local people more say in where new development goes and what kind of development is allowed.

Neighbourhood Plans are a new kind of plan, introduced by the Localism Act in 2011. They are produced by local people for their own areas and are only brought into force after a majority vote by residents in a local referendum. So it is very important that local people have a say about what goes into the Neighbourhood Plan.

Neighbourhood Plans carry weight - they are part of the statutory planning system. This means that Staffordshire Moorlands District Council will have to take the Leek Neighbourhood Plan into account when it makes decisions on planning applications in Leek.

The Town Council is consulting the local community at the outset, before any decisions have been made, so that people can influence what goes into the Neighbourhood Plan. We want to find out what local people like about Leek, what they don't like, and what needs to change.

This will enable us to identify the key issues which the Neighbourhood Plan will need to deal with – what needs to be improved and also what should be protected and enhanced. We will then be able to produce a draft Neighbourhood Plan, which will be the subject of further community consultation at a later stage.

Community consultation events are taking place as follows:

- Leek Fire Station, Springfield Road – Thursday 21st June from 7:30 to 9:15pm
- Leek Bowling Club, Beggars Lane – Wednesday 4th July from 7:00 to 9:00pm
- Sainsbury's Supermarket, Churnet Way – Wednesday 11th July from 6:00 to 9:30pm

Additional consultation events will take place at the Foxlowe Art Centre and in Derby Street during July on dates to be announced in the local media.

Please spend a few minutes answering the following questions, so that you can have your chance to influence the future of Leek.

Q1 What do you like about Leek and what do you think should be preserved and retained?

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Q2 What do you dislike about Leek and what are the problems that need to be dealt with?

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Q3 What do you think should be changed in Leek and what improvements should be made?

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Q4 Are you a resident of the town of Leek? Please tick one box.

YES NO

Q5 Do you work or have a business in Leek? Please tick one box.

YES NO

Contact details

Please let us have your name and email or postal address, so we can keep you informed of progress in producing the Neighbourhood Plan. We will use this information to avoid double counting and to let you know about the Neighbourhood Plan, and for no other purpose.

Name and contact details:

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When you have completed this questionnaire, please return it by post or by hand to Julie Taylor, Leek Town Council, 15 Stockwell St, Leek, Staffordshire ST13 6DH or by email to julie.taylor1@btconnect.com

For further information about the Leek Neighbourhood Plan, to make comments or fill in a questionnaire electronically, visit our website www.loveleek.org

To make sure your comments are taken into account, please return your completed questionnaire by no later than 15 August 2018.