

## Regulation 16 Consultation on the Submitted Hallow Neighbourhood Plan RESPONSE FORM

Under Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, Hallow Parish Council has submitted the draft Hallow Neighbourhood Plan to Malvern Hills District Council. In accordance with Regulation 16, Malvern Hills District Council would like to invite comments from organisations and individuals on the Neighbourhood Plan.

This consultation runs for six weeks from Friday 15<sup>th</sup> January to 5:00pm on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

If you wish to comment on the draft Hallow Neighbourhood Plan **please complete and** return this form <u>no later than 5:00 pm on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021</u> to:

Email: <a href="mailto:policy.plans@malvernhills.gov.uk">policy.plans@malvernhills.gov.uk</a> , or by

**Post:** Planning Policy, Malvern Hills District Council, Planning Services, The Council House, Avenue Road, Malvern, Worcestershire, WR14 3AF.

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Please note that your name and comments will be made publicly available when displaying the outcome of this consultation and cannot be treated as confidential. Any other details, including signatures, private telephone numbers and email addresses will not be published on the Council's website, but the original representations with personal details redacted will be published. Your details will be retained in order for us to validate your comments. We will use these details to notify you of the progress on the Hallow Neighbourhood Plan. If you do not wish to be notified of the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan please let us know by ticking the appropriate box at the end of this response form.

Please fill in your details in the boxes below:

Full Name: Hazel Kemshall, Chair, Hallow Parish Council

Organisation (if applicable): Hallow Parish Council

Address (including postcode):

Telephone number:

Email address:

Please state which part of the draft Neighbourhood Plan (i.e. which section, objective or policy) your representation refers to (please use a separate form for each representation):

ALL

Please use the space below to make comments on this part of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Hallow Parish Council fully recommends this Neighbour Development Plan to MHDC. It is the product of extensive work from 2017, and has involved the Parish council, a steering group drawn from across the village, 42 volunteers assisting at events and walkabouts, and a number of public information events, and questionnaire surveys. A number of village groups have also been involved and are listed in the acknowledgements.

We have drawn on a wide range of evidence and expert advice, including those provided by Worcester County Council, MHDC, AECOM and our consultants. This has provided an objective input to policy formation and site consideration, and to green space selection, views, and ecological and biodiversity policies (we are particularly indebted to WCC for the latter).

Housing and new development remains a contentious issue within the village, with a perception that "Hallow has taken more than its fair share" fuelling local concerns. We have striven to work closely and constructively with MHDC to ensure a housing target grounded in local evidence, aligned to the emerging SWDPRev, and in line with national targets, but where possible sensitive to local concerns and needs. This is reflected in choice of site (in effect an extension to a current build site), and our target for housing numbers, tenure and size mix. Affordability remains a challenging issue in WR2, particularly for our young adults; and alongside this the village has an increasing need to provide "downsizing" properties.

Character and style of new build has also been a major village concern, and Hallow Parish Council is pleased to support the AECOM design code as a way to ensure greater sympathy and fit with extant village properties in new build proposals. Preservation of village character is also a key focus for our policy proposals on non-designated assets and proposals for the conservation area.

Please use a separate form for each representation.

## **Future Notification**

Please state whether you would like to be notified of the decision on the Neighbourhood Plan proposal:



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