

Hockley Heath Neighbourhood Plan Survey 2025

Dear Resident,

We, the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, made up of local volunteers, have produced this survey for our community.

A Neighbourhood Plan is a significant material planning consideration, carrying great weight in planning decisions.

“Neighbourhood planning gives communities direct power to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of their local area. They are able to choose where they want new homes, shops and offices to be built, have their say on what those new buildings should look like and what infrastructure should be provided, and grant planning permission for the new buildings they want to see go ahead. Neighbourhood planning provides a powerful set of tools for local people to ensure that they get the right types of development for their community where the ambition of the neighbourhood is aligned with the strategic needs and priorities of the wider local area.”

Source: www.gov.uk/guidance/neighbourhood-planning--2

The results from the Survey will be vital to our evidence base which forms the foundations of our Neighbourhood Development Plan, replacing the Village Plan produced in 2013. We would like every resident to have their say – Part One is a household survey and needs to be completed only once. Part Two can be completed by anyone aged 17 and above in the household. You can download additional copies online or request more by calling or texting the number at the bottom of this page. Please also encourage your fellow residents to complete and return it.

A Neighbourhood Plan isn't about stopping growth but is about ensuring that we take the opportunity to have proportionate, sympathetic and sustainable organic growth that fulfils our community needs. Neighbourhood Plans are already proving influential both within Solihull, and in other parts of the country where they have been successful in preventing inappropriate forms of development. The plans can also include visions and aspirations about amenities, green spaces, transport, employment, village tourism, initiatives to protect existing local features and services and identify priorities for new developments and enhancements.

This is your chance to have your say about the future of Hockley Heath.

Our representative will collect your completed survey

On the weekend of Saturday 20th/Sunday 21st December

or it can be dropped off at one of our drop-in sessions at The Pavilion: Friday 12 December (2pm to 7pm), Tuesday 16 December (10am to 3pm) or Thursday 18 December (3pm to 6.30pm)

Your responses are completely confidential; no individual or household will be identifiable from the survey. The questionnaires, in sealed envelopes, will be collected by a representative of the Neighbourhood Plan Team and sent to an independent company for processing. Stratford-on-Avon District Council (who do work in this field) will undertake the analysis and write the final report.

For help completing and returning this survey or to request additional copies, please call or text the Parish Clerk on:

07591 954002

You can also visit www.hockleyheathparishcouncil.gov.uk to download and print extra copies, or contact us via Facebook (www.facebook.com/hockleyheathpc)