

HOW SHOULD WE DECIDE WHERE CARTERTON SHOULD GROW?

QUESTIONNAIRE

Last summer the Government announced it was scrapping Regional Planning and returning decision making powers on housing and planning to local government. West Oxfordshire District Council will decide the number of new houses needed in the area and is now doing further work on housing targets. At this stage, we do not know how many houses might be needed in our area but the Town Council and the Carterton Fast Forward Partnership believe that the town needs to grow. This leaflet tells you more about why we believe growth is necessary and asks for your views on how planners can best decide where it should be.

WHY BUILD MORE HOUSES?

- to reduce our dependency on RAF Brize Norton for jobs
- to provide more affordable houses and also some larger houses
- to increase the population which will support existing services and facilities especially schools, shops and sports facilities.
- to attract new shops to the town.

HOW MANY NEW HOUSES ARE NEEDED?

1000 new houses would:

- support a new primary school
- sustain and expand the Community College
- maintain and improve the town centre
- provide new community facilities
- encourage more employment opportunities
- support improved bus services

SITES UNDER CONSIDERATION

There are three possible locations for development on the scale required

West – beyond the Shill Brook

North – beyond Kilkenny Lane

East – beyond the A40 Link Road (Monahan Way)

We need your help in deciding the best site.

Please tick one box for each issue according to how important you think it is.

1. Sustainability

Distance to:		Most Important	Important	Least important
Primary Schools	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secondary School	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Town Centre	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
GP Surgery	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sports/Leisure facilities	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Employment locations	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bus Stop on Premium Route	-	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. Quality of Life

		Most Important	Important	Least Important
Noise	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Risk of joining up with other places	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Good quality environment	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Ability to integrate with existing town	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Impact on existing residents	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

3. Infrastructure

Roads	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Surface water drainage	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

4. Physical or policy constraints

Good quality agricultural land	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Land liable to flood	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Archaeological potential	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Landscape quality	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Contaminated land	-	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

5. Other matters

Please add any other topics that you consider to be important.

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Thank you for taking the time to help with this very important work. Please send completed forms to the Town Clerk, Carterton Town Council, Town Hall, Alvescot Road, Carterton, Oxon OX18 3JL, or drop them off at the Town Hall, the Carterton Library or the Carterton Community Centre.

Please return forms no later than December 17th.