

Hazelwood Neighbourhood Plan

Winter 2013

Hello Hazelwood residents – the group is up and running so what's the latest?

Following the well-attended public meeting at the Memorial Hall on September 12th, where the decision to pursue a Neighbourhood Plan for Hazelwood was overwhelmingly agreed, quite a lot has happened.

- We now have a Steering Group.
- Chairman and Secretary have both been appointed – see inside for details including the current Steering Group individuals.
- The application to Amber Valley Borough Council is in their hands. Once approved, we can apply for Government funding to assist the process.
- We are now seeking your thoughts and opinions, hence the enclosed questionnaire. The map opposite reminds you of exactly what constitutes Hazelwood Parish.

A reminder of why we need a Neighbourhood Plan?

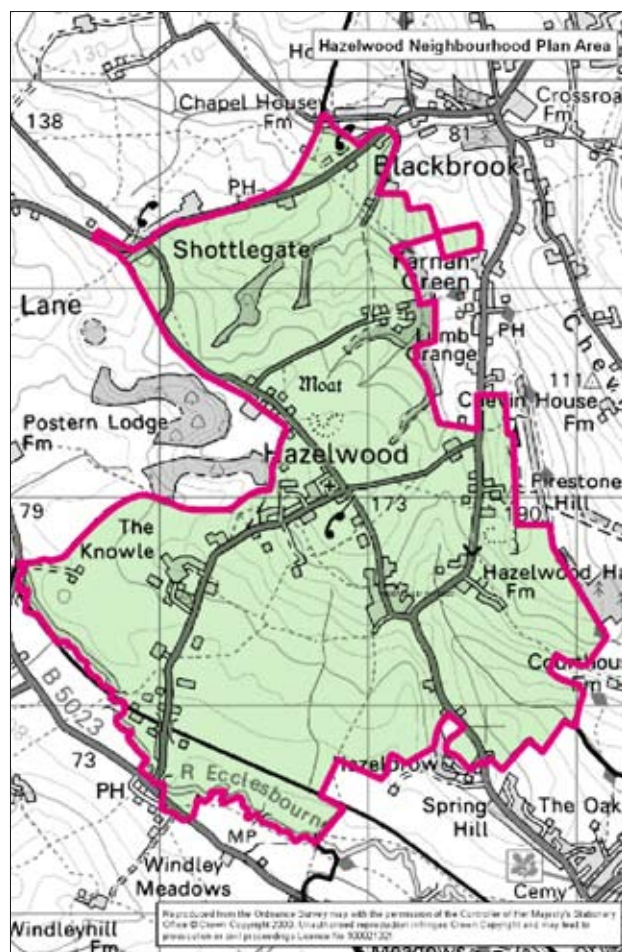
It will give the Parish of Hazelwood a stronger voice as regards future developments and key issues which may be proposed by Amber Valley Borough Council and others, in the future.

It will have a legal standing and as such must be taken into account.

It will show that you, as Hazelwood residents, have definite opinions about your Parish and a clear vision for its future. **Now we need to hear your opinions.**

Does the steering group have a view about Hazelwood at the moment?

Yes, as a start point, the group believes that Hazelwood's rural character will be important to many of its residents. Inevitably, however, the future will bring pressure for change and development. These will need to be considered – which is why it is so important that your views are known as we prepare to face such challenges.





What happens after we return the completed questionnaire?

The information will be analysed and topics for investigation and discussion identified. There will be further opportunities for you to share your views and suggestions. The aim is to reach a consensus for the direction of future growth and change. This will form the basis of setting objectives and the overall vision for the village. The steering group will be publishing the findings so that everyone is kept in the picture.

HAZELWOOD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – 145 homes, 330 villagers – ONE VOICE

Questionnaire

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2. Has the village changed much since you moved here? If so, has this been for the better or worse, in your opinion?
3. What changes or improvements would you like to see in Hazelwood?

Please turn over for remaining questions and how to return this questionnaire.

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Who's in the Steering Group?



Chairman – Kevin Eaton

Then what?

You will be contacted again early in the New Year in relation to progress.

Ultimately, a draft plan for the future of Hazelwood will be submitted to a Neighbourhood Plan inspector. If it is judged to be ready for a referendum by Hazelwood residents, we will all vote. If agreed by over 50% of respondees, the Hazelwood Neighbourhood Plan will sit alongside the Amber Valley Local Plan.



"I welcome this opportunity to help prepare Hazelwood's Neighbourhood Plan. Not only will it strengthen the parish's 'voice' in the years ahead but I believe it will also further unite residents wishing to maintain the character of the village. Hazelwood is very special and together with fellow neighbours, I believe we can maintain its uniqueness whilst managing challenges in the future"

Kevin Eaton

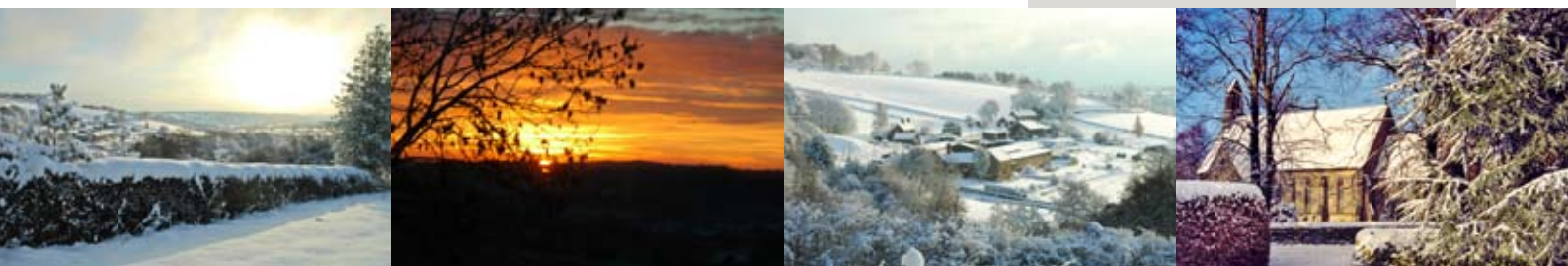
Will it be worth the effort?

YES. It will ensure that the voice of Hazelwood residents is heard loud and clear when important decisions are being made by Amber Valley Borough Council, that could affect the parish.



Chairman – Kevin Eaton
Secretary – Michael Say
Group Members – Martin Angold, Peter Barr, Glen & Lesley Wall, Mike Wood, Hugh Walford, Robert Walker, Martin Farrell, Judy Harris, Keith Walker, Les Brown, David Railton.

We still welcome any one else who wishes to contribute thoughts and ideas.



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4. Some challenges in the future may occur. How would you view possibilities such as new housing, wind turbines, rural industry, solar farms etc.?

5. How would you like Hazelwood to be in 10+ years time, compared to now?

How to return this questionnaire

Either

Complete this form, place into the envelope provided and drop it into the new post box at the Hazelwood Memorial Hall.

OR

Hand to any Steering Group member who you may know.

OR

Complete on-line at the Hazelwood Parish Council web site hazelwoodpc.org.uk Click onto Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire, open, complete and follow the simple instructions at the end to email to our Steering Group Secretary michael.say@hazelwood42.plus.com

Whilst this questionnaire is anonymous, you may like to be kept up-to-date with progress. If so, please give your email address in the box provided.

PLEASE RETURN BY MONDAY DECEMBER 2ND