

Collingham Neighbourhood Plan

DESIGN & HERITAGE



The Background

The Collingham community is very proud of the character and appearance of its village. The preservation and enhancement of not only the Conservation Area, but also the whole village area, is considered vitally important to maintain an attractive and vibrant settlement. It is important that new development takes account of the opportunities and constraints offered by individual sites and by the wider settlement, to deliver contextually responsive design solutions that will stand the test of time.



The Evidence

The residents recognise the character of Collingham derives as much from the space between the buildings as from the buildings themselves.

The local community have identified the quality of the public realm as being a key aspect of creating an attractive place to live, work and shop.

The community identified a number of criteria that will need to be considered in the design of landscape proposals. This may include elements beyond typical ‘public realm’ treatments; however they would like an holistic response is necessary to address some of the criteria.

The residents have acknowledged the importance of new development and the benefits it can bring to the viability of Collingham. However, there is considerable concern that developments should maintain and enhance the heritage of the village as it grows in the future.

The historical village has been identified by the residents as the area which has the greatest concentration of listed buildings, including the churches, the large manors along with large and small farm dwellings. These features are the central attraction for residents and visitors and are areas the residents value.

The Residents Survey established that the conservation and enhancement of the historic assets within Collingham is a priority for local residents.

The DRAFT Policies

POLICY DH1 - SENSE OF PLACE

SUMMARY POINTS

- All built development within The Collingham Neighbourhood Plan area should be sustainable in its design, being:
 - (i) contextually responsive;
 - (ii) functional and inclusively accessible;
 - (iii) energy and resource efficient;
 - (iv) visually attractive; and,
 - (v) consistent with the well-being of the local community and, the natural environment now and in the future.
- In terms of scale, mass and overall mix of use, new development, should reinforce the focus of the Village Centre for commercial and retail uses, and not seek to create alternative centres.
- The criteria set out in the Collingham Design Guidance / Code should be applied to the design of all developments within the Neighbourhood Plan Area.

POLICY DH2 - THE PUBLIC REALM

SUMMARY POINTS

- Development proposals which have the potential to impact on the public realm will be expected to contribute to high quality streets, pavements and other publicly accessible areas (the public realm) within the village.
- Improvements to the existing public realm, to ensure safe and high quality access for all users, should be delivered alongside proposals.
- New public spaces should be provided as part of development proposals, they should be of a scale and type appropriate to the development and its context.

POLICY DH3 - THE HISTORIC ENVIRONMENT

SUMMARY POINTS

- Development proposals within or affecting the setting of Collingham Conservation Area, should conserve and, where possible, enhance its special and distinctive character through high quality design.



Do you agree or disagree with the Policies? Have your say!

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ACCESSIBILITY, TRANSPORT & COMMUNICATIONS



The Background

The policy is intended to improve the sustainability of Collingham by seeking to deliver improvements to cycle, pedestrian and equine routes to make them more attractive to both local residents and visitors, and to propose new routes. By developing new routes and enhancing existing routes it is hoped that there can be improvements to health, recreation and reduced road congestion making Collingham more sustainable and accessible to all.



The Evidence

The local community within Collingham has highlighted the importance of developing and enhancing existing pedestrian and cycle networks to offer sustainable alternatives to the private car. The policy seeks to address the impact of climate change through making sustainable modes of transport more accessible, useable and designed to a high quality.

Collingham is already considered to be a sustainable settlement by NSDC, with public transport services within the town and linking to Newark, Lincoln and Nottingham.

Residents would like new development to continue to promote and expand the provision of, and use of, sustainable modes of transport. The development of an integrated transport system is strongly supported by the Collingham community as it will enhance connectivity through Collingham and to the wider transport network.

The safety and quality of the local highways network has been highlighted to be particularly important to both residents and local business in Collingham. This includes both the mitigation of impacts caused by new developments and existing road and junction improvements.

Residents expressed strong opinions on the lack of street parking in various locations in the village and expressed the important need that new development should have sufficient parking and to avoid on street parking.

The DRAFT Policies

POLICY ATC1 - CYCLE, PEDESTRIAN & EQUINE ROUTES

SUMMARY POINTS

- Development should improve the pedestrian and cycle network within the village, helping to provide links to the village centre.
- Any new routes proposed should consider security, lighting and street furniture.
- Road crossings should be kept to a minimum.
- Routes to the school should be safe.

POLICY ATC2 - PUBLIC TRANSPORT CONNECTIVITY

SUMMARY POINTS

- Development should include measures to deliver an integrated transport system (including footpaths and cycle ways, which prioritises interchange between sustainable modes).

POLICY ATC3 - HIGHWAYS IMPACT

SUMMARY POINTS

- Where new development negatively impacts on the highway network, contributions will be sought from the developer to mitigate these effects. Contributions will be used to minimise and mitigate these impacts associated with the development.

POLICY ATC4 - PARKING STANDARDS

SUMMARY POINTS

- Non-residential development must take into consideration the following criteria in determining the acceptability of proposed parking:
 - (a) Accessibility;
 - (b) Type of development;
 - (c) Availability of public transport, and;
 - (d) Number of visitors and employees at peak times
- All new parking must be designed to ensure that it is in keeping with the local character of Collingham. A mixture of different types of parking will be fully supported providing it is kept within the confines of the site and does not overspill onto neighbouring streets.

POLICY ATC5 - HIGH SPEED CONNECTIVITY

SUMMARY POINTS

- All development should be providing high speed broadband connectivity.

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