

BROMHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

UPDATED VISION AND OBJECTIVES – DECEMBER 2023

An independent health check of our draft neighbourhood plan (July 2023) by our new consultants identified that the existing Vision and Objectives were well drafted and clear, however there were some areas which could be improved upon to reflect the views of the community and priorities of the neighbourhood plan. As a result, we have updated our vision statement and objectives as follows.

VISION

“Our vision to 2038 is to ensure Bromham remains a thriving village.

We want to plan positively for the future. Our community prides itself on being welcoming and friendly. Our vision is for Bromham to continue to be a place where a balanced community of people of all ages can live, learn, work, play, relax.

Looking ahead to the future, our village will have retained all the key assets needed at each stage in life, from starting school at Bromham Primary School, to starting a community group at the Social Centre. Opportunities for locally based jobs and limited housing that meets local need will be supported in a way that enables the group of the settlements comprising ‘Greater Bromham’ to sustainably grow and thrive.

We wish to preserve and enhance the character of Bromham; the open green spaces and biodiversity, our network of connecting footpaths, our best and most versatile agricultural land and unique horticultural heritage as a ‘Market Garden’ and our diverse range of buildings.

Whilst protecting our history, we want to look to the future, so that Bromham can change, evolve and respond to challenges, such as climate change, and harness opportunities to the benefit of our current and future community.”

OBJECTIVES

1. Protect the economic and environmental value of our Parish’s nationally important best and most versatile agricultural land to ensure that it is sustained for viable food production as a Market Garden Community.
2. Protect existing community facilities and support their future enhancement.
3. Protect and enhance our natural environment, including our important green spaces, by formally designating them as Local Green Space.
4. Protect and enhance the character and local distinctiveness of the area by ensuring that any new development is at an appropriate scale, is in keeping with the character of the parish, the historic environment, and is to a high quality of design.

5. Sustainably locating development to support services in Bromham in a way that avoids or minimises environmental impacts at the Large Village and reflecting the proximity and accessibility of nearby settlements Chittoe, Chittoe Heath, Hawkstreet, Netherstreet, St Ediths Marsh, New Road, and Westbrook.
6. Ensure that any new housing contains the right type and mix of properties, including affordable and market value housing to meet the identified needs of the whole community.
7. Retain and improve options for walking, cycling and using public transport within the parish and for access to local towns.
8. Protect existing employment sites in the parish, and encourage the provision of high-quality employment space allowing flexibility for businesses to start, grow, and stay in Bromham.
9. Reduce carbon emissions and ensure that future development contributes to Wiltshire Council's Net Zero Carbon aims and Bromham community's resilience with respect to climate change.