Barton Village Neighbourhood Plan

Area Designation & Outline Statement: February 2016 (Issue 1)

Barton Parish Council and the wider community would like to submit the following area designation & outline statement as part of the application process for a Neighbourhood Plan. This submission is designed to develop and grow the local area for the benefit of Barton village and a desire to align with National Planning Policy, Central Lancashire Core Strategy, Wyre Borough Council & Preston City Council.

The community of Barton is located along the A6 corridor just north of Preston and has experienced a number of challenges over the last 10 years covering a broad range of national issues. The area designated within this application covers the village boundary and not just the parish boundary, reference (Appendix 1). The rationale behind this area designation is to accommodate the administrative boundaries between Wyre Borough Council & Preston City Council which bisect the village of Barton. Barton Parish Council is keen to develop a neighbourhood plan with the adjoining parish / administrative boundary of Myerscough & Bilsborrow Parish Council to benefit the rural north Preston area. The development of this application for a neighbourhood plan is intended to empower the community to take an active role in shaping the future of the wider Barton area, as designated in (Appendix 1).

There are 4 topic areas, split into 12 key points of a Neighbourhood Plan designed to address the priorities of the wider local community:

Environmental
- Protection & conservation of green spaces within the wider Barton area.
- Better access to green space
- Enhanced utility services (flood management & drainage – top water/foul)

Infrastructure
- A comprehensive traffic management strategy (traffic calming measures/cycle paths/safe crossings)
- Enhanced community facilities (Sports/Leisure/Medical/Retail)
- Enhanced public transport infrastructure
- Fibre optic broadband

Development & Planning
- Conservation of the current housing stock character within Barton village
- Sustainable development (high % of self-build options on allocated land)
- Affordable homes for local residents
- Provision for sheltered accommodation

Commercial
- Better opportunities for local businesses to grow and develop

The aforementioned key points are intended to create a more sustainable future for the village of Barton, linked to the needs of the community, National Planning Policy & Central Lancashire Core Strategy.
BARTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN
APPENDIX 1

KEY:
- Proposed Neighbourhood Boundary
- Borough Boundary