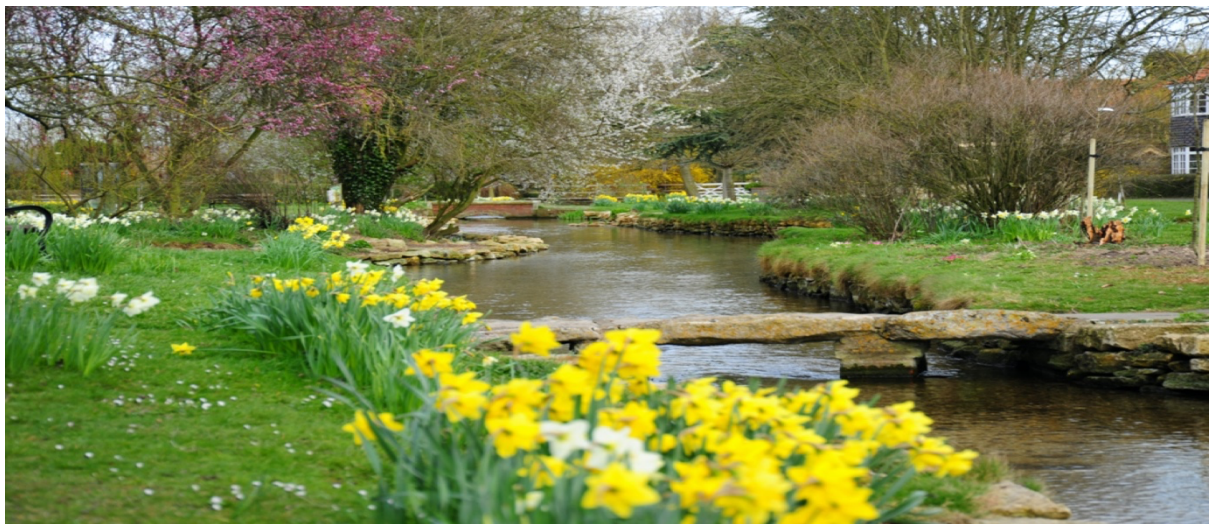


# Consultation Statement: Scopwick and Kirkby Green Neighbourhood Plan



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## Introduction

1.1 This Consultation Statement has been prepared to fulfil the legal obligations of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 for Scopwick and Kirkby Green Neighbourhood Plan (SKGNP). The legal basis of the statement is provided by Section 15(2) of Part 5 of the 2012 Neighbourhood Planning Regulations which states that a consultation statement should:

- Contain details of the persons and bodies who were consulted about the proposed Neighbourhood Plan;
- Explain how they were consulted;
- Summarise the main issues and concerns raised by the persons consulted;
- Describe how those issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant, addressed in the proposed Neighbourhood Plan.

## Pre- Regulation 14 Consultation

1.2 Throughout the process of producing a neighbourhood plan a report was presented to the PC at every bi monthly Parish Council (PC) meeting and all Neighbourhood Plan Group (NPG) meeting agendas and minutes were posted on the PC website. Open NPG meetings were advertised as necessary. An example of such an update notice that was incorporated into the village newsletter is at Appendix E.

1.3 The Parish Council issued a questionnaire to all households in the Parish in January 2018 asking parishioners if they thought a Neighbourhood Plan was desirable. 85 households responded with 66 in favour and 19 opposed. The PC held open meetings to which the public were invited on the 18<sup>th</sup> June 23<sup>rd</sup> July and 20<sup>th</sup> August 2018 in the Village Hall and the Methodist chapel school room.

## Drop-In Session to feedback on the questionnaire



- 1.4 The PC appointed a member to oversee the formation of a NPG to take the project forward and using the PC web site, village newsletters and notice boards, invited interested persons to attend an inaugural meeting at the village pub (The Royal Oak) on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2018.
- 1.5 Members of the NPG took a stall at the village fete in August 2018 to further raise awareness of the NP using boards and material loaned from Community Lincs. Information leaflets were distributed at village social events e.g., Race night held to raise funds for the playing field association. There was a NP information stall at village Christmas fair 8<sup>th</sup> December 2018.
- 1.6 An information sheet and questionnaire to ascertain what people living in the 2 villages wanted to see a NP deliver was delivered to all households in the village in February 2019. To assist people in filling in the questionnaire and to answer any questions they may have regarding the questionnaire and the NP project in general a drop-in session in the village hall took place on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2019. See copy of the flyer at Appendix A.
- 1.7 To encourage participation, information boards were placed at visually strategic points around the villages at the commencement of the survey and again before the deadline date for completion. The survey was also highlighted in Village Newsletter, Church Magazine and on the PC website.
- 1.8 A presentation was given to the public at the Parish open meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> of May 2019 (PC minutes May 2019). Participants were given the option of completing the survey online or in hardcopy. Convenient drop-off points were arranged for completed hardcopies to be returned.
- 1.9 The results of the survey were compiled into a report by Community Lincs which was placed on the NPG and PC websites. See <https://scopwick.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/downloads/file/261/scopwick-neighbourhood-plan-consultation-report-1->
- 1.10 The community was made aware of the report through the usual channels of on-line newsletter, notice board announcements and a dedicated session at the Annual Parish meeting utilising information boards and handouts etc highlighting the salient points.
- 1.11 Using the feedback from the report, the NPG compiled a number of objectives in conjunction with the retained consultant to act as a framework around which policies were to be formulated.
- 1.12 The draft objectives were put together in February 2020. Face to face consultation with the community was prevented by Covid 19 restrictions . However, the drafts were placed on the PC and NPG website with notice given to the community together with a request for comments via the usual on-line newsletters and village notice boards, (NPG minutes 4<sup>th</sup> February 2020 and 29<sup>th</sup> April 2020). Appendix E shows the newsletter sent out in February 2020.

### **Site consultation**

- 1.13 Landowners in the Parish were invited by letter dated 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019 to submit sites they considered suitable for development for consideration by independent consultants (AECOM). A reminder letter was sent out on the 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020 (NPG Minutes 12<sup>th</sup> November /6<sup>th</sup> January 2020)

- 1.14 In June 2020 a news update was posted in the village Newsletter and on notice boards in the Parish.
- 1.15 Following the receipt and consideration of the AECOM site allocations report by the NPG/PC and discussions with landowners in the Autumn of 2020 an information leaflet and questionnaire was delivered to all households in the Parish in February 2021 asking for views on the preferred sites for development, see Appendix B. As with the original Village Survey, the site allocation questionnaire was advertised on the PC websites, village notice boards, newsletter and Church magazine etc. (NPG minutes dated 4<sup>th</sup> February 2021 and 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021)
- 1.16 The questionnaire contents were summarised on a spreadsheet with NPG comments and these were presented to the PC and NPG, see Appendix C. Responses to concerns expressed in the survey were posted on the PC website, newsletter, notice boards etc (NPG minutes 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021). A letter was sent to all residents explaining the findings of the consultation on the sites, see Appendix D.

## Regulation 14 Consultation

- 1.17 The draft NP for Reg 14 consultation was placed on PC website in early October 2021. The Regulation 14 consultation ran from 25<sup>th</sup> October to 10<sup>th</sup> December. A news update was placed on PC website on 21<sup>st</sup> October. E-mails were sent to all statutory consultees w/c 4<sup>th</sup> October and again on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021. A Reg 14 letter to all residents inviting comments was placed on the PC website 28<sup>th</sup> October. A Reg 14 letter and questionnaire was delivered to all households in the Parish on 30<sup>th</sup> October. (NPG Minutes 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021 and 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022). The questionnaire could be done either online or as a paper copy.
- 1.18 A dedicated draft plan consultation event was held in the Village Hall on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2021 and stalls with boards etc for information were used on 27<sup>th</sup> November at the Church Christmas fete in Village Hall.
- 1.19 Replies from statutory consultees and parishioners were consolidated into spreadsheets/summary documents. January 2022(NPG Minutes 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022). A summary of the comments and the NPG response is set out below.

## Comments from Statutory Consultees

### West Lindsey District Council

Section of the Plan	Comments	NPG Comments	Amendments Made
General	Compliments NPG on a well presented and wide ranging Plan. Questions why some of the maps have WLDC watermarks?	Noted  Maps taken from CLLP Policies map and they have this water mark on them. NKDC were asked for policies maps and the NPG were directed to this source.	Footnote added 'As presented in the policies insert maps as part of the CLLP'

North Kesteven District Council

Section of the Plan	Comments	NPG Comments	Amendments Made
General	Cross referencing	Where possible and where this does not reduce comprehension cross references have been removed and footnotes added	Y
	Maps – the key and detail on most of the maps is not fully legible or clear enough.  maps showing specific designations will need to be based on a suitably detailed ordnance survey map showing the clear boundaries or extents	All maps have been enlarged or put onto separate page. The NPG would prefer not to remove maps from the text as they aid explanation for residents. Maps have also been put separately on the PC web site as well.  Site allocations and designation maps are from an OS vector base map.	Y
	NPPF references need updating to 2021	Done	Y
	Map numbers fig numbers need correcting	Done Other minor editing matters where identified have been amended as highlighted	Y
Table 1	In the tenth bullet point is it meant to be ‘land adjacent to the parish’ or should it be ‘land adjacent to the villages’?	Amended to ‘adjacent to the edge of the built-up area’ as this reflects local comment best	Y
Development Boundary maps	Whilst it is noted that the boundaries presented for the two villages include some sites being allocated, the boundary is not drawn very tight to development. Is this intentional and is the NPG and Parish Council content with all areas being treated as within the settlement?	KG development boundary is drawn to include the church and the grave yard. This is a burial ground and the NPG are advised that given the shortage of burial grounds in the area it would not be proposed for any other development. This is the only area that the NPG considered as part of the Reg 14 comments the rest of the development boundary they consider is tightly drawn.	N
	Paragraph 48 quotes the Design Codes document ending with ‘The existing linear pattern of growth should be preserved by future developments, particularly by avoiding the	The principle about avoiding infill expect on the allocated sites is the approach that the NP takes. Wording added at the end of para 49 to clarify this ‘The	Y

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	infilling of gaps which provide views into the countryside from within the villages'. The policy then goes onto allow for this infill to occur. This is a little conflicting and perhaps some thought should be given to how this comes across and whether the quote should be included or whether anything more is needed on this character point. Wording added	Neighbourhood Plan seeks to restrict infill on those sites which provide countryside views whilst identifying a small number of sites for limited development to meet local need.'	
Policy 1	Point a) of the policy is ambiguous as it is not clear whether it is the current needs at the point of adoption or at the time of an application being made	Point a) wording added to provide clarity and point 2 wording amended.	Y
	Point c) given that the significant green gaps are all outside of the development boundary surely their reference here is redundant? This should be removed.	It is accepted that SGGs are all outside the development boundary but the NPG consider the criteria should remain because development in the vicinity could have the potential to affect SGGs.	N
	Point 2 is not advisable to retain. It will age the plan as soon as policy LP2 is replaced in the new local plan	Wording amended as suggested.	Y
Figure 1	Did the questionnaire not provide more scales for the response, i.e., very important, slightly important, neutral, slightly unimportant, very unimportant? Whilst if not there is little that can be done now to rectify it at this stage, this would have allowed the views about the most important features to be drawn out more.	Questionnaire provided 3 options as shown on the graph. The NPG worked with Community Lincs on the questionnaire and followed their advice.	N
Para 55	Presumably your assessments of the sites have included consideration of	Site assessment was done by AECOM following the usual format and considered landscape character.	NA

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	appropriateness taking into account landscape character?		
	Will sites within the village be expected to include information about the landscape character too?	Proposals will need to demonstrate an understanding of the impact on the landscape character in a way proportionate to the scale and location of the proposal. This section has been reworded to provide clarification.	Y
Para 60	What statutory bodies were involved in the identification of the SGGs? This doesn't seem like the kind of consultation that statutory bodies would normally get involved in.	The reference to statutory bodies related to the informal consultation the NKDC did on the draft plan before it went out to reg 14 process but accept it is confusing so reference has been removed.	Y
Key Views	Is there any reason why view 5 in Scopwick is included yet a very similar (and arguably more valuable) view to the east of the Limes Care Home is not included? This seems inconsistent.	A planning application has recently been approved for two dwellings; the NPG did not consider it necessary to identify a key view here.	NA
Policy 2	In part 2, what does 'Exceptions to 2(1)' mean? Without knowing what is intended by this it is very difficult to assess this part of the policy for suitability.	Wording added to Policy 2 (2) to clarify	Y
	In part 3, how will it be defined whether a scheme would affect the key views? Is it developments within the arcs shown on the maps and if so, have within? This needs to be made clearer so it is known when it applies.	Yes, it is within the arcs (or view cones) this has been clarified and key view 5 amended to an arrow not an arc.	Y
	In part 4 is it reasonable to require all developments, including householder extensions (which is what this policy as worded would apply to) to demonstrate that it is sympathetic to all of these things.	Wording amended to 'Development excluding household extensions, on the allocated sites or, otherwise, on the edge of the villages'	Y



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	In part 5, some of the characteristics stated to be avoided can often be a key element of character, is not the case in any locations in the neighbourhood area?	This was not how part 5 was meant to be read it has been amended for clarity.	Y
Para 69	It should also be noted that many trees when they reach a certain age reduce the carbon sequestration and will therefore have a lower mitigating impact than if it were replaced by younger trees which are still growing.	The text should have made this reference to the impact of loss of amenity from mature trees (shade and character) text has been amended.	
Para 70	This paragraph says the policy will seek to deliver 2 new trees for each tree lost. Firstly, this is not what the policy says. Secondly, this would not always be possible or appropriate.	Text has been amended to reflect updated policy 3 wording.	Y
Map 7a and 7b	<p>What are the reasons for the breaks in the LGS Site 1 on map 7a? Whilst these may not be publicly accessible, it appears that the gaps are equally as important as the areas being proposed for designation.</p> <p>The western edge of the LGS boundary on map 7b does not appear to reflect the western edge of the grassy area being designated. This could be the scale of the map, lacking detail, but it should be made clear what the boundary on the ground is.</p>	<p>During the consultation on the LGSs the owners advised that they did not want their land including. The NPG decided to concede to this feedback.</p> <p>The NPG accept that the maps make the road look wider than it is but on site it is very clear that it is the grassy area either side the Beck that is being designated. The maps are OS based vector maps.</p>	N
Para 82	It would be useful to add some commentary about the current route, including distance and barriers to cycling to Metheringham as additional context and justification.	Additional information provided on the route in the text.	Y
	In what way would a non-vehicular route detract from the	Having this criterion provides a degree of constraint on	

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	landscape character and does this element of the policy mean that you would not support, for example, a tarmacked or illuminated track or something that would significantly assist in getting around by foot or bike?	any illumination (for example) – the routes may cut across open countryside and other areas of high landscape value.	
	In general, this policy offers no more than is included in Local Plan Policy LP14 or than is required by legislation and national policy. Any policy included in the neighbourhood plan should be focused on complementing the Local Plan policy, ideally adding locally-specific requirements. As such, whilst it is recognised that flooding and drainage is a significant local concern, it is recommended that this policy either be deleted or changed to avoid repetition and add locally specific requirements.	Issues relating to drainage and flood risk are a significant local concern raised in feedback in the village survey, the drop in sessions and the Reg 14 consultation. The inclusion of this local analysis and this policy is important to local residents and the NPG would like it to remain so that residents can see the approach that would be taken when considering development proposals in the Parish.	N
Section 16	Could be streamlined	Table on Building for a Healthy Life removed, the other information is locally specific and supports the policy.	Y
Para 117-118	House prices do not necessarily relate to quality of design and the conclusion being made in these paragraphs is tenuous. This should be removed.	This type of analysis is commonly used and accepted as part of understanding the local context, the NPG consider it useful information.	N
Policy 7	2) suggested wording amendments  5) does not contribute anything to making decisions. All it does is state that well-designed buildings respond to context. How should a decision maker use this part of the policy? The other elements of this policy effectively achieve this so this should be deleted.	Removed on the basis that criteria 7 still allows for innovative design in accordance with the NPPF.	Y

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Para 135 and footnote 40	Should this not include the single person and dual person household income for both average and lower quartile figures?	<p>This is how the data is presented in the HNA see page 40 – however the lower quartile income data has been added for single and dual person to the NP analysis.</p> <p>Update: the discrepancy between the NKDC lower quartile figure and the AECOM figure was clarified. AECOM do not recognise the NKDC figure of £19,233 which they say is from 2019. AECOM advise that data should be from 2017 to make the comparator analysis on house prices relevant. AECOMs figure in the HNA was work based income but AECOM accept that preferable figure is residence-based figure = £14,844 not the £12,384 referenced in the HNA. AECOM have provided an update to the HNA v7 this has replaced the previous version. AECOM have updated table 4.2 showing the revised LQ earnings figure against house prices and the narrative on page 18 – text in NP changed accordingly.</p>	Y
	It does not state what geography the incomes are for – is it the parish, the district, the county, etc?	It is from MSOA data, this has been added.	Y
Policy 8a	There is no need for this policy to be included as it offers nothing over the local plan policy. Also, it could, by virtue of looser wording, have the potential to worsen negotiating positions and could end up being in conflict with the	Given that a reason for doing site allocation is the delivery of some AH the NPG consider it important to include an AH policy in the NP.	Y

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	emerging local plan. As such it is recommended that this policy is deleted and reliance placed on the local plan.	Policy has been amended - the NPG consider that part 3 (now part 2) is an important principle that the community will want to see as part of the policy if they are to support it.	
Para 145	Whilst it is recognised that this paragraph seeks to clarify the position of this policy against the draft local plan it is not needed and should be deleted.	This para explains why there is a rural exception policy but not a site allocation for AH in the NP. The NPG consider that it is important that this sort of clarification text remains in the NP to assist readers some of whom will be local people deciding whether to vote on the NP.	N
Policy 8b	what is defined as small?	'Small' is the term used as part of the definition in the NPPF Annex 2 which is at footnote 54. However to provide more clarity a local definition has been provided in the text as 'A small site in the context of Scopwick and Kirkby Green Parish would be a scheme for up to 9 dwellings or on a site of less than 0.5 hectares.'  Part b removed because definition provided in part a	Y
	Point c) does not align to the cascade mechanisms applied in assigning affordable housing in NKDC.	Amended	Y
	Point d) is imprecise.	The community support test is the same as that set out in the CLLP LP2 and has been added to the policy for clarity.	Y
Table page 55 and page 57	This table is unclear and only just about legible. Please can it be replaced with a clear table.	The data in the table is from AECOMs HNA. To assist	Y

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		legibility the table has been recreated	
Policy 8c	Alternate wording suggested	Amended	Y
Policy 8d	<p>In point b) surely this will happen as standard, given it would be a commercial venture? Requiring it to be demonstrated in the policy might be difficult for decision makers to fully appreciate and assess.</p> <p>In point c) when would it be or not be relevant to demonstrate funding? Again this makes it unclear when it should be sought so further clarification should be provided if it is to be included. Overall it is recommended that this not be included.</p>	<p>This reflected local concern based on the history of the site, but it is expected that point a) will ensure that it is appropriate for local need and point b has been removed.</p> <p>This reflected local concern based on the history of the site, but it is accepted that this is a matter outside the purview of planning</p>	Y
Policy 9	In 1a) what is the 'Key Principle'? This needs to be clarified.	This is the key principle as set out in section 9 of the NP, text amended to remind the reader.	Y
	In 2 how would an equally accessible location be judged? Please can this be clarified in the policy.	Policy amended to 'in a location that is equally accessible on foot or car for local residents'	Y
	Reference to café at the plant nursery	The owner of the plant nursery no longer seeks the opportunity to create a small café on their site so the specific reference has been removed. The community would support a café in the Parish subject to its location, scale and design being appropriate so the general reference has been left in.	Y
Policy 10	Broadband providers do not normally engage on planning	Amended	Y

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	<p>applications and as such the delivery of this part of the policy would be challenging. Potentially the sentence can end at ‘...open access basis.’</p> <p>Point 2 would potentially be better worded as ‘The erection of 4G and 5G masts will only be supported in locations outside of the Conservation Area, Local Green Spaces, within the Significant Green Gaps or where they will detract from the Key Views. Masts and associated infrastructure should be located to minimise impacts on landscape character.’</p>	<p>Wording amended as suggested but with ‘not’ added after ‘will’ as assume this is an error</p>	<p>Y</p>
<p>Para 175/176</p>	<p>The descriptions here are very repetitive of earlier section 16 – is the description of buildings and character required here too?</p>	<p>Description of Scopwick CA removed</p>	<p>Y</p>
<p>Para 181</p>	<p>This is very specific and it is questioned if it is deliverable in practice. It is recommended that this paragraph is deleted.</p>	<p>The NPG accept it is specific but a NP can be specific.</p>	<p>N</p>
<p>Policy 11</p>	<p>Point 1 of the policy is not policy as such, and referencing nominated (not confirmed) structures is not appropriate for policy as worded. This policy should relate specifically to identified non-designated heritage assets on the local list, which then will hopefully include the three additional structures if they meet the criteria. The terminology used – locally valued heritage assets – is unclear and should be revised</p>	<p>The terminology and approach have been used elsewhere. The NPG have amended to non-designated heritage assets and noted the comments re the structures proposed for local listing.</p>	<p>Y</p>
	<p>Point 3 As worded the policy is vague in places and not as comprehensive as other</p>	<p>The NPG consider that there are unlikely to be any listed buildings on the at risk</p>	<p>Y</p>

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	relevant policies in the development plan – this could introduce inconsistencies and risk weakening the protection.	register over the plan period so it has been removed.	
	Point 4 of the policy offers nothing above Policy LP25 of the Local Plan (or any replacement policy) and as such should be deleted.	The NPG consider it valuable to include this element to provide clarity to the community that these open spaces in the CA will be protected.	N
Site allocations	The titles for these sites and the numbering results in an overly complicated policy/section in some cases (Policy 13a, 13c, etc.).	Site names amended to reflect their location not the site number in AECOMs assessment	Y
	Whilst it is understood that the NPG does not intend to allocate the sites within the development boundaries in favour of development proposals needing to satisfy generic policies of the development plan, it seems counter-intuitive to not allocate the sites that are deemed to be most suitable/sustainable according to your assessments. Allocating such sites would provide more certainty for their delivery.	Wording in text amended as all sites considered by the NP including SCOP15 the Limes), SCOP10 and KG6	Y
Policy 13a	'In the region of' preferred wording	This is the wording used in the policy – wording in text amended to be consistent	Y
	Part a) it references map 13a). Where is map 13a? Should map 12a) be map 13a)? If this is meant to be map 13a, it does not show the open space or footpath.	The footpath is shown on figure 3 and the ref in the policy has been amended	Y
	Part e) is there any indication of what number of homes should be 2-3 bed dwellings? Has this been discussed with the land owner? It would be preferable	Indicative layout provided by the landowner shows up to 8 smaller (semi-detached) dwellings this reflects discussion with the	N

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	to explicitly state if at all possible.	landowner these could be 2 or 3 bed dwellings	
	Part f) is this the same footpath as discussed in part a)? Presumably it would not be a lit path, so perhaps this should reference connections to the nearest footway on Heath Road with a safe pedestrian crossing?	Yes, it is not intended to be a lit path wording amended	Y
Policy 13b	There is internal conflict here where part 1a) requires active frontages facing onto Vicarage Lane and part 1d) the requires the retention of the mature hedge which is likely substantial enough to prevent an active frontage being delivered.	The NPG confirmed that the hedge was the most important character feature for this part of vicarage lane – wording amended	Y
	Part 2 Given the houses on Vicarage Lane are large, would there be conflicts between delivering smaller homes here and reinforcing character? Perhaps this could be made more specific.	The NPG have confirmed that this site would be suitable for larger 4 + dwellings.	Y
	In part 3, SuDS are only required on major developments. The wording should be amended to clarify that this is not a requirement but one possible option that can potentially be applied.	Amended on all site allocation policies	Y
Policy 13c	Have the highways authority been consulted on the suitability of two additional dwellings accessing Brookside from the proposed access? The access way is not in the site area – can this site be delivered with a suitable and safe access?	The site is owned by the same landowner and they have been consulted as part of the site allocation process. Access from Brookside is achievable in that regard. The text has been amended to clarify this. The highways authority would be consulted as part of the planning application process.	Y



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Para 213	Whilst the footprint of the house is previously developed land, the extensive garden is not. Also, it is assumed that when reference is made for capacity of a couple of smaller dwellings, this is not in addition to the existing dwelling. There does not appear to be capacity to retain the existing dwelling and deliver additional.	The intention of the NPG is to allocate the site for one new dwelling in addition to the existing bungalow or two new dwellings if the existing house is demolished. Text and policy clarified.	Y
Para 214	Could the AECOM report not be updated to reflect these inaccuracies rather than them being highlighted in the plan? This doesn't come across very well for the evidence.	The NPG asked for this to be redone by AECOM but they were advised this was not possible. The text has been amended to it clear why the site no longer scores a red	Y
Policy 13e Map 6a	There is direct conflict between this policy and the key view at this site. Whilst it is noted that this policy talks about visual links from Main Street to the open countryside being retained, the extent of the arc on map 6a extends across the entire width of the site. Perhaps Map 6a should be amended to show a linear arrow for this site only, rather than a wide arc.	Intention was to ensure new development allowed for glimpses through – map amended to show key views as an arrow.	Y
Para 220	The entirety of the frontage appears to be this hedgerow and pavement. With that being the case, whilst the majority can likely be kept, the reality needs to be accepted that some of it will likely be lost to an entrance road / driveway and drop kerb. It is noted that the policy is softer on this and this should also be reflected here.	Text amended slightly	Y
Policy 13f	It is unlikely that 6 dwellings could be delivered on this site when access road and amenity space is taken into account.	6 dwellings include the conversion of the barns not 6 new build – the policy and narrative have been amended to reflect this. It is accepted that the planning	Y

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		application process will require a further assessment of the scale of development that will be suitable on the site. Additional text added to reflect this comment.	
	The policy should also potentially include taking into account the setting of the listed buildings to the east of the site.	Amended	Y
Policy 13g	Is this really a sustainable location to deliver 'community facilities' such as a café? It is a substantial distance from both Kirkby Green and Scopwick	The owner had changed their mind about wanting this in the NP policy was removed at Reg 14.	Policy removed at owner's request
App E	Clapper Bridge queried location  War graves memorial part of churchyard at Holy Cross Church so within curtilage listing of church  The Mills (also known as The Mill Farm, previously Young's Mill) to the east of Kirkby Green. This appears to have previously been a Grade III Listed	Information already provided to NKDC to clarify this  Removed  The owner was not supportive of this building being identified as a heritage asset	Y

#### Forestry Commission

Section of the Plan	Comments	NPG Comments	Amendments Made
General	A generic non -specific overview without comment on the SKGNP in particular Relates to existing trees in the community, ancient woodland, deforestation and woodland creation	Section 12 reflects the design code evidence of the importance of trees to the character of the parish and the value of mature trees in mitigating climate change. Policy 3 (2) requires development to retain mature trees wherever possible.	NA

**Digby Parish Council**

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General	No Comment but express gratitude for opportunity to view draft plan	Noted	NA

**Anglian Water**

Section of the Plan	Comments	NPG Comments	Amendments Made
General	A generic non-specific overview without comment on the SKGNP in particular.  Link to a Neighbourhood Plan Guidance note. The guidance notes make reference to Ground water source protection zones	Section added in flooding and drainage section to explain extent of ground water protection zone and the need for development in this location to consult with Anglian Water as part of the planning application process. Map showing zone added at Appendix H	Y

**Historic England**

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General	A generic non-specific overview without comment in the SKGGNP in particular.	It is considered that the generic matters raised by Historic England have been fully taken into account through obtaining design code and site allocation advice and through consultation with Local Authorities etc and subsequently reflected in policies.	NA

**Coal Authority**

Section of the Plan	Comments	NPG Comments	Amendments Made
General	No specific comments to make		NA

**Nottinghamshire County Council**

Section of the Plan	Comments	NPG Comments	Amendments Made
General	No specific comments to make		NA

**Greater Lincolnshire Nature Partnership**

Section of the Plan	Comments	NPG Comments	Amendments Made
General	Provided general information relating to sustainability, bio and geo diversity, green	Magic maps data has been used as a reference in the NP – now Map 6 – and the NP was prepared cognisant of	N

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	infrastructure and climate change, contains some data relating to Priority habitat, Ancient Woodlands, Local wildlife sites, local geological sites. Local and National Nature reserves, SSSI and protected or priority species.	the designations and protected areas that pertain to the parish.	

#### National Grid

Section of the Plan	Comments	NPG Comments	Amendments Made
General	A generic non-specific overview without comment on the SKGGNP in particular. However a map showing the route of gas transmission pipe lines in the parish was attached.	The pipelines are well to the east of Kirkby Green and do not have a direct bearing on the NP. The existence of overhead cables is known and taken into account as necessary.	N

#### Environment Agency

Section of the Plan	Comments	NPG Comments	Amendments Made
General	<p>A comprehensive consideration of the plan. Flood risk in relation to the site allocations ok .</p> <p>Any development will need to follow NPPF in particular the Sequential Test/Exception Test (where appropriate) and National Standing Advice in relation to flood risk.</p> <p>Policy 6-Flood Risk, building in the flood zone should be avoided where possible in line with NPPF. The extent of the current flood zones are linear and narrow along the watercourse. There is an assumption that because there hasn't been much recorded historical flooding, future flooding is unlikely. This should not be used as the basis of the Flood Risk policy.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Additional text added to reflect these comments see narrative of section 15 and policy 6 (1)</p>	Y
Permitting	Additional information was provided on the need for and use of environmental permitting.	Reference has been added in the narrative on the need to consult with EA if work is proposed in, under, over or near a main river.	Y

Section of the Plan	Comments	NPG Comments	Amendments Made
Waste water infrastructure	Until we can assess the effectiveness of the measures (e.g., whether further emergency discharges are required in times of high winter rainfall and/or high groundwater levels) we will continue to be concerned about potential sewer capacity issues that would result from any further development in the catchment.	Agree this matter is addressed in policy 6 (4)	N
Ground water protection zones	Your plan includes areas which are located on principle aquifers and Source Protection Zones 1. These should be considered within your plan if growth or development is proposed here. The relevance of the designation and the potential implication upon development proposals should be seen with reference to our Groundwater Protection guidance:  <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/groundwater-protection">https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/groundwater-protection</a>	Additional text and map added to identify protection zone criteria added to policy 6	Y

### Comments from Residents

1.20 The table below shows the feedback from residents. There were 26 responses. 3 policies scored 77%, policy 8a affordable housing, policy 8b rural exception site and policy 13c the site allocation of part of scop 9 and 11. All the other policies scored in excess of 80%.

**Table 1 Survey Responses from Residents**

RESPONSE
YES
No
Abstain?

		<b>Results</b>					
Policy No.	Title	Yes	No	?	Tot	% Approval	% Disapproval
No.1	Sustainable development, Limited infill and Development boundary	23	1	2	26	88%	3.8%
No.2	Protecting the Landscape Character	24	1	1	26	92%	3.8%
No.3	Protecting and Enhancing Biodiversity	25	0	1	26	96%	0.0%
No.4	Designation of Local Green Spaces	25	0	1	26	96%	0.0%
No.5	Conservation and Enhancement of Non-Vehicular routes	25	0	1	26	96%	0.0%
No.6	Flood risk and Drainage	25	0	1	26	96%	0.0%
No.7	Achieving High Quality Design	24	0	2	26	92%	0.0%
No.8a	Provision of affordable housing	20	4	2	26	77%	15.4%
No.8b	Rural exception Site	20	2	4	26	77%	7.7%
No.8c	A Mix of Housing Types	21	2	3	26	81%	7.7%

No.8d	Specialist Accommodation for the Elderly	23	1	2	26	88%	3.8%
No.9	Enhancing the Provision of Community Facilities	25	0	1	26	96%	0.0%
No.10	Improving Broadband and Mobile Connectivity	25	0	1	26	96%	0.0%
No.11	Protecting Heritage Assets	24	0	2	26	92%	0.0%
No.12	Conversion of Redundant Agricultural Buildings	23	1	2	26	88%	3.8%
No.13a	Frontage of SCOP3 and West corner of Scop4 with public open space and footpath	22	2	2	26	85%	7.7%
No.13b	SCOP7 Land to the North of Vicarage Lane	23	1	2	26	88%	3.8%
No.13c	Scop 9 and Scop11	20	3	3	26	77%	11.5%
No.13d	Scop 10	22	2	2	26	85%	7.7%
No.13e	Southern part of SCOP18	21	3	2	26	81%	11.5%
No.13f	Land North of Main Street Kirkby Green KG6	23	1	2	26	88%	3.8%
No.13g	Land to the east of the Poultry Farm, Kirkby Green	21	3	2	26	81%	11.5%

1.21 Most residents provided minor commentary as part of their responses and this has been considered in the round when updating the SKGNP. The more detailed responses in relation to each policy and the comment from the NPG have been referenced below.

## Written Comments from Residents

Section of the Plan	Comments	NPG Comments	Amendments Made
Policy 1	<p>Agree in principle but development of Scop 3 would include low-cost housing per Planning requirement</p> <p>Agreed in principle. Concern about Kirkby Green boundaries not aligned to garden boundaries / pre-existing, as referred in para. 44b</p> <p>Kirkby Green should include either side of the Beck at ford and Church Lane to protect this area fully. Most important views in area and need protection plan</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>It is not necessary for the development boundary to align with garden boundaries especially where these gardens are long and extend to open countryside</p> <p>The development boundary was drawn to exclude these dwellings so that the open area to the east between these dwellings and church lane was also excluded. The purpose of the development boundary is to be tightly defined in settlements such as Kirkby Green.</p>	N
Policy 2	There is planning permission for large solar farm within parish boundary	The NPG are aware of an extant permission to the north of Trundle Lane, issues relating to the cost of connecting the scheme to the grid have prevented it from being built out	N
Policy 4	Is Playing field not a Local Green Space?	The playing field is already protected in district policy LGS designation seeks to identify and protect spaces that do not have designation	N
Policy 6	Repeated concern about sewerage capacity	Noted and the NP highlights and requires this matter to be resolved – this would be further assessed as part of the planning application process	N
Policy 8a	<p>Is the affordable housing in line with Nat average or Scopwick average?</p> <p>Omit the requirement requiring AH to be fully integrated with local housing market as this precludes the possibility of any standalone AH development</p>	<p>The NPG have commissioned a Parish housing needs assessment that has identified the need for affordable housing in the parish</p> <p>This policy has been amended following comments from NKDC</p>	



Section of the Plan	Comments	NPG Comments	Amendments Made
Policy 8c	Since the standard set by AD M(4)2 is one that is commonly achieved by 4 and 5 bed market dwellings already, a policy this becomes an open back door to the development of large market houses in conflict with policy 8c.1. Clarification needed.	This policy has been amended following comments from NKDC	Y
Policy 13a	Properly planned and designed this could really enhance Scopwick Development of Heath Road would increase traffic joining B1188, a turning with poor visibility and a history of poor traffic accidents which seems undesirable.	Amendment to ensure openness with the surrounding countryside. To Scopwick and Kirkby Green Design Code. Add "and CLLP Policy LP2 is supported to maintain connection with the open countryside along the boundary of the site with Heath Road".	NP13a 1g added
Policy 13c	The wording at times is imprecise and open to varied interpretation. 13c 1 Amend by omitting "in the region of" 13.2 Omit "should be" and substitute "to be". 13.3 Amend "NPP 8c" to NPP8c 1" to reinforce smaller dwelling development.	The NPPF requires policy to be written to allow some flexibility the phrase 'in the region of' is required to allow for a scheme to come forward for 15 or 13 depending on the final design NPP8c has been amended	N  Y
General	Page 16. Para 9. Engaging with the community a key principle. The NP process has not properly observed this principle and instead has in many cases sought purely to obtain support for objectives and policies of its own devising without prior community engagement in their formation. Significant examples are the list of community objectives and the development possibilities of sites Scop 14 and KG4.	The NPG have undertaken consultation throughout the preparation of the plan in accordance with the NP regulations and guidance. Covid made consultation especially challenging but despite that the NPG still did face to face consultation on the site allocations.	N
	Section 14 - Point 80 Explains the benefit of creating circular walks. A permissive path following the beck from Scopwick to Kirkby Green ford would join the communities and provide such access.	This route would be supported by the NPG and the community and has been added to the community actions	Y
	The Limes is a potential social bomb in the centre of Scopwick. It must not be allowed to have a usage other than a Care Home under current planning	The NP supports the reopening of the Limes as a care home	N

Section of the Plan	Comments	NPG Comments	Amendments Made
	designation. If the designation is changed then the revised usage must complement the intentions of the proposed NP. The NP should state this explicitly.		
	Poor quality map views on the on-line pre-submission draft. Note1: If affordable housing is needed due to low income this could mean the household has no vehicle to shop / school. The infrastructure at the moment is very poor. No shop/ Post Office and very poor bus service.	Issue re resolution of maps on web site each map is 2.8mb  Agree but there will be local people who would live in the village who may have family also in the village – the quantum of AH that will be limited for this reason	Y
	A history of drainage problems would increase with 14 new houses. Such a large development without an increase in local amenities will stretch them further. A planning application for 16 dwellings was heavily criticised in the same location. I imagine this would happen again if planning was submitted, making it redundant to include as part of this plan.	The developer would have to demonstrate that the drainage issues could be resolved for the permission to be granted. The site is not the same as the proposal for 16 dwellings - the NP site has protected the eastern edge and the community would gain public open space and footpaths connections. The site has been consulted on and received support.	
	Approving the building of at least five affordable homes would show our community's recognition of its social responsibility in helping to reduce the desperate affordable housing shortage and help first time buyers into the housing market.	Agreed and this is why the NPG have sought to do this – thank you	
	This is a comprehensive well planned document. I will get my eyes tested as some of the maps were impossible to read.	Noted re the mapping clarity maps have been put on the PC web site at a higher resolution	Y

## Appendix A Initial Consultation

### Your Home

### Your Village

## Scopwick and Kirkby Green Neighbourhood Plan

The **Vision** of this your **Neighbourhood Plan** is

*That the wellbeing of every household in the village, both large and small, present and future, be at the heart of future proposals for the development of the village that enables it to accommodate change, that will secure the social and economic prosperity for our village facilities and institutions and that will preserve the heritage which shaped it.*



### What this means to YOU

Through the creation of a **Neighbourhood Plan** the government's Localism Act is giving us residents a major part to play in the development of our village. This means it is up to **YOU** to say how **YOU and YOUR FAMILY** want Scopwick and Kirkby Green to evolve over the next 10-20 years.



### How this Plan will be made

The Neighbourhood Plan Group has split the task into 3 areas:

To **Preserve**, to **Protect**, and to **Develop**

**Preserve** covers the things that drew **YOU** to the village and keep **YOU** here, like the community spirit or the facilities in our village;

**Protect** includes respecting our environment, maintaining our security and caring for our community;

**Develop** looks at **our** needs for housing growth, proposing improvements to services and the opportunities for recreation.



Behind these simple headings lie many ideas which You will want to see improving our village.

We on the Neighbourhood Plan Group will gather **YOUR** views through regular consultation and surveys and finally seeking **YOUR VOTE** on the Neighbourhood Plan at a referendum. This process will take some time but should ensure that **YOUR** collective voices are heard and taken into account in the preparation of the **Plan**

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## Background Information

The Scopwick and Kirkby Green Parish Neighbourhood has been formally designated by North Kesteven District Council and a Neighbourhood Plan Group has been formed to undertake the task of drafting the Neighbourhood Plan under the auspices of the Parish Council.

The members of the Neighbourhood Plan Group are set out below together with their contact phone numbers:

Charles Kerrigan	(Vice Chairman)	01526 321271
John Money		01526 320323
Peter Reeds		01526 320461
John Woodward	(Chairman)	01526 320298
Heather Yazgi		01526 328115

Specialist consultants will also be employed to assist with technical aspects of drafting the Neighbourhood Plan.

The costs of producing the Neighbourhood Plan are all being met from grants from Locality, a government sponsored organization, and will not incur costs on the Parish Precept. Members of the Neighbourhood Plan Group contribute their time and resources for free.

The final form of the Neighbourhood Plan will need backing of the Parish Council and then putting to a referendum for approval of the village and then subjected to examination by the District Council, finally then becoming a fully integrated part of NKDC's Local Plan.

## Upcoming Events

15.12.2018 Village Hall 10.00am-1.00pm **Open meeting Q & A on the draft of your Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire**

Jan 2019 **Circulation of the Questionnaire to all households**

### Need to know more?

Residents are welcome to contact the members of the NP Group with questions or comments about the Neighbourhood Plan at any time. Those wishing to do so by email should direct these through the Clerk of the Parish Council <clerkscopwick@gmail.com>

### Would you like to help or participate in some way?

Help with producing the Neighbourhood Plan will be needed. Anyone who would like to take part in producing it is very welcome to contact members of the NP Group or the Clerk and we would be glad to discuss ways in which you could help.

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## Appendix B Site Allocation Consultation Letter to residents

**Scopwick and Kirkby Green Parish Council**  
email: [clerkscopwick@gmail.com](mailto:clerkscopwick@gmail.com)  
<https://scopwick.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/>

February 2021

Dear Resident,

### **SCOPWICK and KIRKBY GREEN - SITE ALLOCATIONS FOR POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT**

#### **Why am I receiving this note?**

The allocation of sites is an important part of the Neighbourhood Plan (NP) which is currently being drafted. It provides us with the opportunity to shape the growth of our parish to ensure it provides housing that meets local need. Once the draft is complete it will go out for consultation and examination before being put to the residents of Scopwick and Kirkby Green for approval by way of a referendum. Prior to consulting on all the policies, we would like your views on the parish council's proposals for the preferred sites for development. The Parish Council would have much preferred to have held consultations with the residents of our two villages in the village hall where material could be displayed and explained but current Covid 19 restrictions render that impossible.

#### **How many houses is it envisaged will be built in Scopwick and Kirkby Green in the next 15 to 20 Years?**

The Plan allocates sites to deliver in the region of 30 dwellings in Scopwick (excluding any supported living accommodation which may be provided on the site of "The Limes") and around 6 dwellings in Kirkby Green. In addition, there may be a small number of dwellings erected on small sites within the current village envelopes e.g. in existing gardens subject to satisfying the criteria in the Neighbourhood Plan, the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan (CLLP) and the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). The plan will also allow for a small development of statutory affordable houses (up to 5 dwellings) on land abutting the revised development boundary in Scopwick. The exact number of houses on each site will be decided at the planning application stage but all proposals will have to be well designed and in keeping with the rest of the parish (based on policies in the Neighbourhood Plan).

#### **Is this the minimum number of houses that are required under existing plans?**

No. Under the existing CLLP both Scopwick and Kirkby Green are designated as small villages. Small villages currently have a requirement to provide several additional dwellings calculated by reference to 10% of the existing stock during the life of the plan (to 2036). North Kesteven DC (NKDC) calculated this as 22 for Scopwick and 6 for Kirkby Green. As of 23/11/2020 9 dwellings had either been built or had permission to be built leaving a balance of 13 in Scopwick and 3 in Kirkby Green.

The CLLP is under review and early indications were that the figures would be revisited based on a similar 10% requirement (less those with permission but not built to run to 2040.) This gave a revised figure for Scopwick of approx 23 dwellings and 6 for Kirkby Green. It is now thought housing requirements for small villages will follow what is in the Neighbourhood Plan (once adopted).

The Parish Council commissioned a housing needs assessment (HNA) to find out what housing was required in the village to meet the needs of the community in the future. The HNA supported the views of residents as expressed in the village survey that what is needed in the parish are smaller 2/3 bed roomed houses and statutory affordable housing to enable younger people to purchase /rent dwellings in the village to ensure a viable and sustainable community. The HNA can be viewed at

<https://scopwick.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/downloads/file/46/scopwick-kirkby-green-housing-needs-assessment>

Our Neighbourhood Plan is seeking to meet local need (all recent planning permissions have been for 4 bed houses). To try to ensure that future development in the village reflects the need for

some smaller and affordable dwellings it is necessary to allow a slightly greater number of houses to be built than originally stipulated under the CLLP.

**What sort of housing is likely to be built?**

A mix of housing types but with a bias toward smaller 2/3 bedroom houses and affordable housing.

**How will the environment, wildlife, historic buildings, and the character of the villages be protected?**

The Neighbourhood Plan will include policies which will build upon safeguards contained in the CLLP and NPPF. It will also embody the recommendations contained in a report undertaken for the parish council by independent planning experts. This can be viewed at <https://scopwick.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/downloads/file/86/neighbourhood-plan-future-development-design-codes>

**Which sites have been put forward for development?**

The parish council invited local landowners to submit sites for consideration for development if they were prepared to make those sites available during the life of the plan. The Parish Council also considered sites put forward in a similar exercise undertaken by the District Council. The sites put forward (are shown edged in red on the attached Plans 1 and 2) Those in Scopwick and identified by notation SCOP 1 to SCOP 20 and those in Kirkby Green by notation KG1 to KG9.

**Which sites are being proposed for development?**

Part of SCOP 3, Part of SCOP 4, Part SCOP7, Part of SCOP 9, SCOP 10, Part of SCOP 11 Part of SCOP 18 and in Kirkby Green Part of KG6. These are shown coloured yellow on Plans 1 and 2 There is existing planning proposals in respect of SCOP15 (The site of the Limes) for supported living accommodation and consequently this site has not been considered as available for individual houses at the present time. KG8 is considered suitable for limited commercial development which forms part of and compliments the existing nursery.

**Why those sites?**

The Parish Council asked independent consultants (AECOM) to review all the sites and provide a report for consideration. This can be viewed at <https://scopwick.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/downloads/file/47/neighbourhood-plan-site-assessment-group-review>  
This report, the design codes report, the HNA, and the advice of the Parish Council's own retained planning consultant and discussions with planning officers from NKDC and representatives of social housing providers were all considered in arriving at the Parish Councils recommendations. In the main, only those sites categorised amber or green in the AECOM site assessment report have been put forward for development. A small part of one red site (SCOP4) is included as in return the landowner has offered to gift the remainder of the site to the community as public open space – please see attached the outline of the area.  
The detailed conclusions of the Neighbourhood Planning Group (a subcommittee of the PC) can be viewed at <https://scopwick.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/downloads/file/95/neighbourhood-plan-site-allocation>

**What sort of Development is proposed?**

An indicative plan of development on two of the sites (SCOP3/ SCOP 4 and SCOP7) has been made available by the landowner. This is enclosed. It is important to stress this is not a planning application and is intended as an illustrative guide only to the type of development envisaged for these sites. Were this land to be designated in the Neighbourhood plan then further discussions would take place between the landowner and the Parish Council to ensure that the proposals adhered to the policies in the plan and planning permission would only be granted where it is in accordance with all the relevant Neighbourhood Plan policies. But the drawings are nevertheless

a useful indication of the type of development the Parish Council would support. As always, the decision on any planning application rests with the planning authority NKDC. Illustrative suggestions of development on the other sites being proposed for development are not currently available but discussions have been held with the landowners and they are aware of the type of policy requirements for high quality design in keeping with the rural area that would be a requirement of any development on sites allocated via the Neighbourhood Plan process.

**Where can I find out more Information about the Neighbourhood Plan?**

All the documentation relating the Neighbourhood Plan can be viewed on the Parish Council Website at <https://scopwick.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk/> and at [www.skgplan.co.uk/joomla/index.php/news](http://www.skgplan.co.uk/joomla/index.php/news)

**Can I speak to a member of the Neighbourhood Plan about the proposals?**

Yes. Should you wish to do this then please e-mail the Parish Clerk at [clerkcopwick@googlemail.com](mailto:clerkcopwick@googlemail.com) with your name and contact telephone number together with a brief description of what you would like to talk about, and a member of the Neighbourhood Planning Group will contact you. If you do not have access to e-mail, then please post details as above to the Parish Clerk (address below).

**How do I make my views on site selection known to the Parish Council and how will they be considered?**

Please complete the attached questionnaire preferably online at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FVGF98>

By post to; The Parish Clerk, The Windmill, Heath Road, Scopwick, Lincoln, LN4 3JB

Alternatively, deposit the completed questionnaire in the collection boxes provided in the Scopwick Parish Church entrance porch and the Kirkby Green telephone box. When doing so please ensure Covid secure protocols are followed. Your comments along with those of all other residents who submit them will be considered by the Parish Council and action taken as necessary to amend the proposals to reflect the views of the community. **Please complete the attached questionnaire and return it by 8th March 2021.**

**What if the residents of the parish completely disagree with the proposals of the Parish Council?**

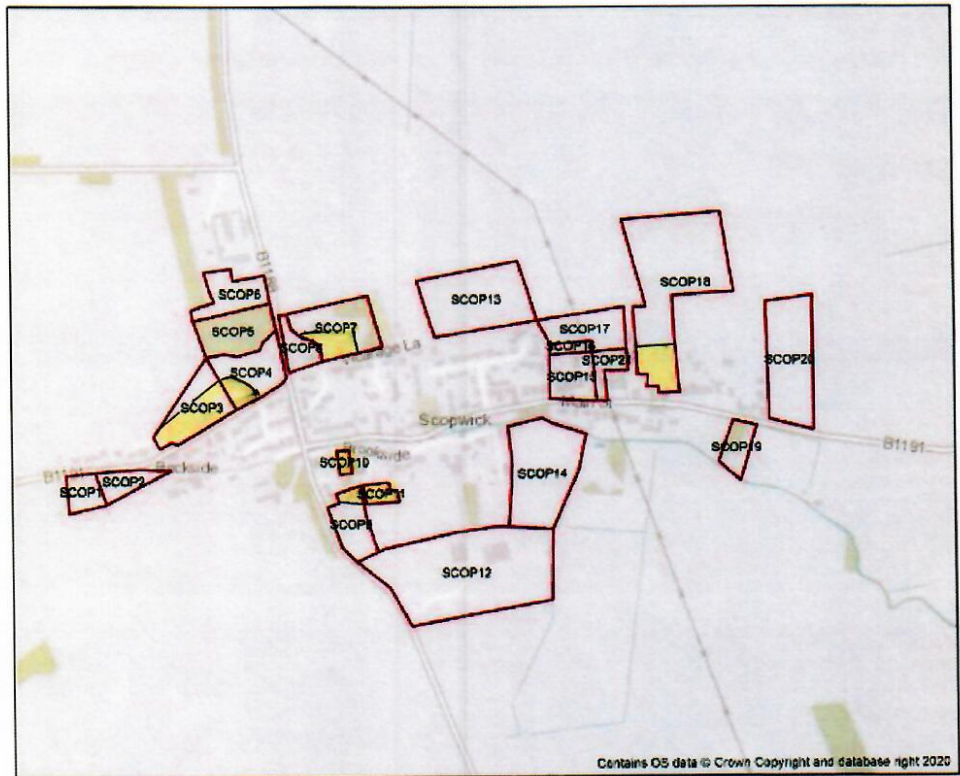
If the proposals are rejected by the community then it is likely that the Neighbourhood Plan will proceed to referendum without site allocations. It is important to be aware that the lack of allocation in the Neighbourhood Plan will not prevent these or other sites being the subject of a planning application and possible subsequent development, (as growth will be allowed in accordance with CLLP and national policies) but it will mean that the community will have less control over the location, type and nature of that development and of course any planning gain to the community (e.g., additional public open space, footpath provision etc) may be lost.

**What happens next?**

The draft Neighbourhood Plan will be completed, and you will be asked for your comments on the document as will statutory bodies and other interested parties. Following consultation, it will be submitted to the Local Planning Authority who will ask for any further representations before submitting it to an inspector for examination. The inspector will then write a report that will approve, reject or amend the plan. Once approved or amended the plan will be put forward for approval by the residents by way of a referendum. The Neighbourhood Plan will then be part of the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan and planning applications in the parish will need to be decided in accordance with the policies in the Neighbourhood Plan.

Scopwick and Kirkby Green Parish Council.

### Scopwick Sites for Assessment



**Legend**  
Parish Boundary  
Site Boundary

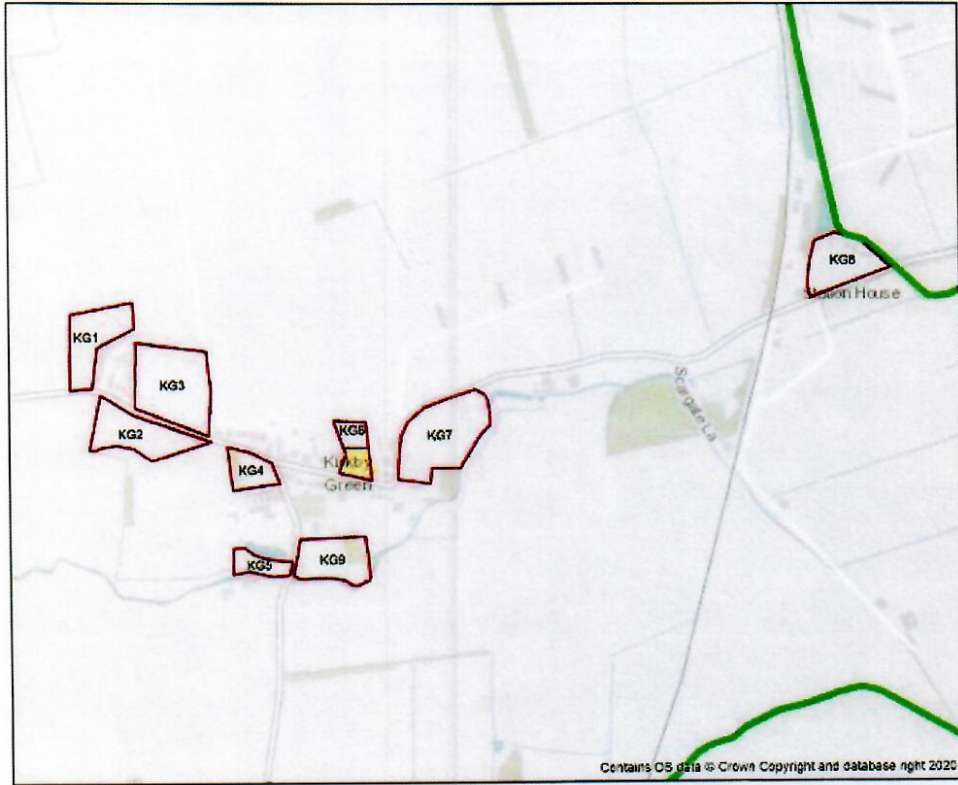


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Plan 1 Scopwick Sites for Assessment



## Kirkby Green Sites for Assessment



**Legend**  
Parish Boundary  
Site Boundary



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Plan 2 Kirkby Green Sites for Assessment



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The Scopwick and Kirkby Green Neighbourhood Planning Group are seeking your feedback to move forward with the process. In particular, we seek your opinion on the allocation of potential development sites made available across our parish. This development will have a significant impact on how our villages grow their character and serve the needs of local people. To help us understand your views, please complete the following short questionnaire on each possible site and circle the one opinion for each site. If you have any additional comments about the possible proposed development sites please use the comments boxes or on a separate sheet. **Please complete the questionnaire and return it by 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021.**

Please state your name and address:

Name - \_\_\_\_\_ Address - \_\_\_\_\_

**Site number (see Plans 1 & 2)**

**Scop 3 and 4 (partial):**                      **10-14 - indicative maximum number of dwellings plus footpath to the village and public open space**

**Very satisfied – Satisfied - Neither satisfied or dissatisfied – Dissatisfied - Very dissatisfied**

**Comments:**

**Scop 7:**    **2-4 - indicative maximum number of dwellings**

**Very satisfied – Satisfied - Neither satisfied or dissatisfied – Dissatisfied - Very dissatisfied**

**Comments:**

**Scop 9/10/11 (partial)**

**3-4 - indicative maximum number of dwellings**

**Very satisfied – Satisfied - Neither satisfied or dissatisfied – Dissatisfied - Very dissatisfied**

**Comments:**

**Scop 18 (partial)**

**7-8 - indicative maximum number of dwellings**

**Very satisfied – Satisfied - Neither satisfied or dissatisfied – Dissatisfied - Very dissatisfied**

**Comments:**

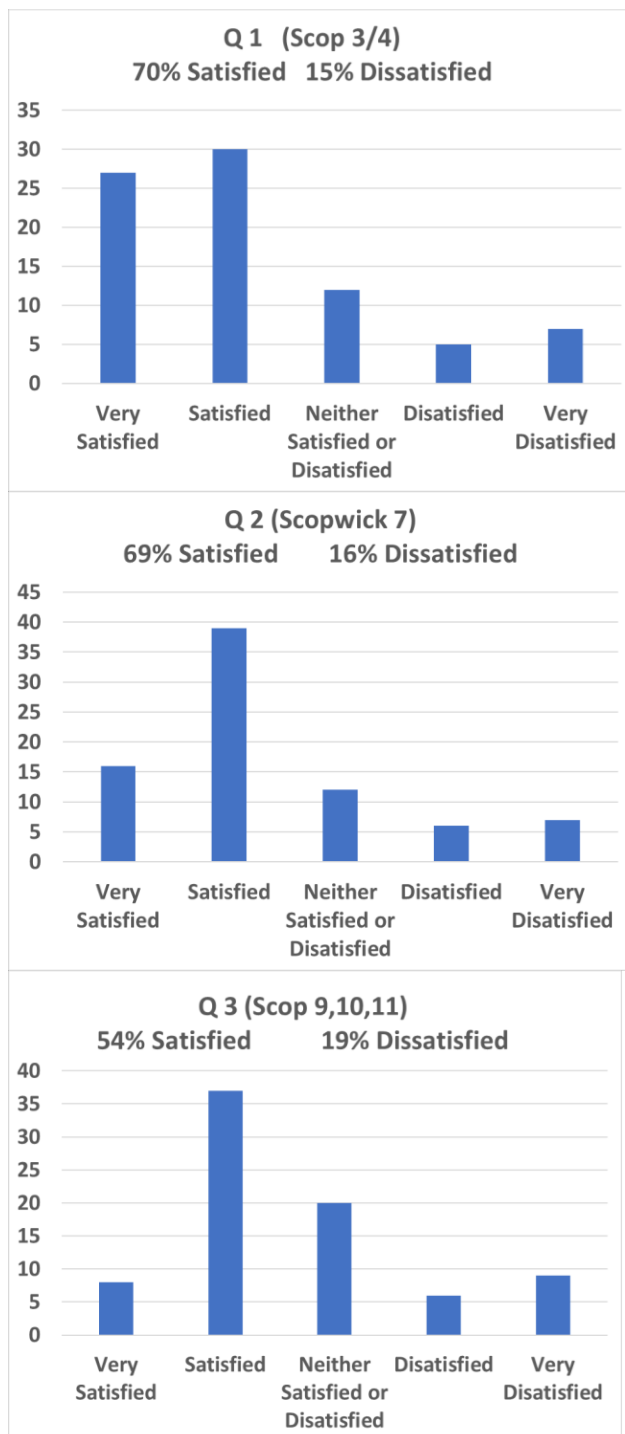
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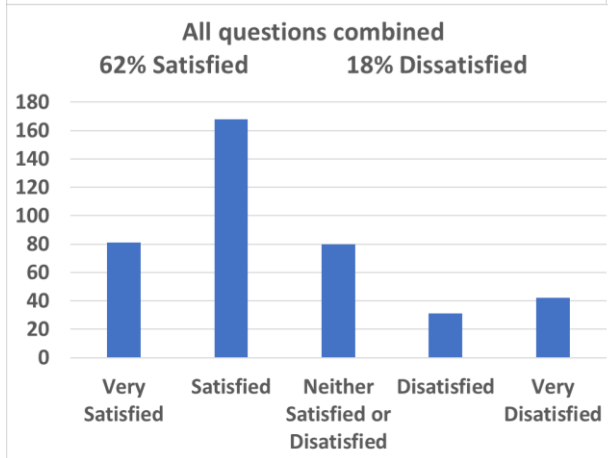
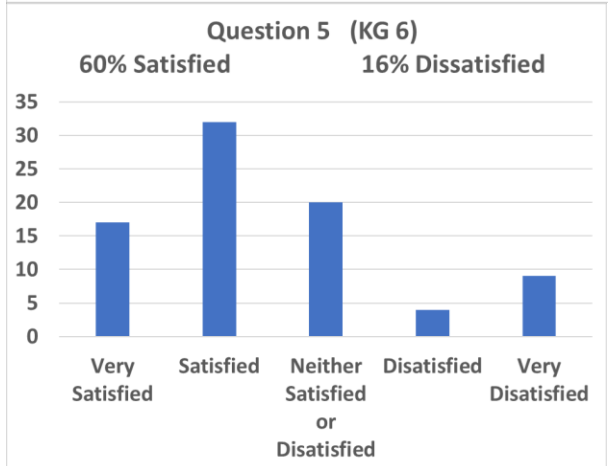
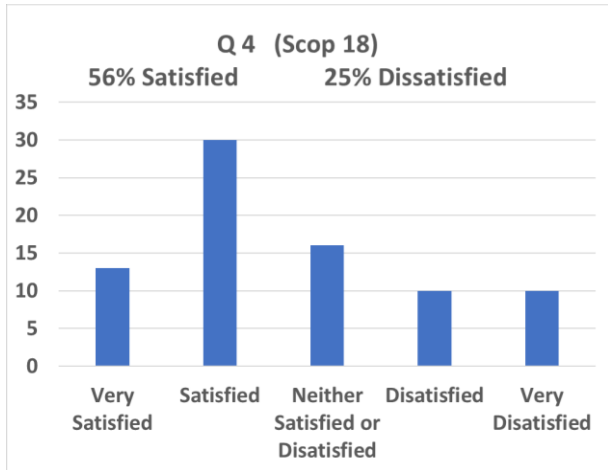
**4-6 - indicative maximum number of dwellings**

**Very satisfied – Satisfied - Neither satisfied or dissatisfied – Dissatisfied - Very dissatisfied**

**Comments:**

## Appendix C Sites Summary Results from Consultation





## Appendix D Copy of Notice Incorporated within the Newsletter feeding back the Site Allocation Consultation

Dear Resident,

A big thank you to all of those who completed and returned the questionnaire seeking your views and comments regarding the proposed allocation of sites for residential development within the two villages.

285 questionnaires were delivered to, as far as the group are aware, all occupied dwellings in the Parish. A total of 90 were returned either in hard copy form or online of which 6 emanated from 3 households and there were 3 where no name was stated, and it is probable that 2 of those were from the same household. Therefore, the return rate per household is 30.1%. Given the nature of the exercise the Neighbourhood Planning Group (NPG) considers this an excellent response.

Regarding the sites upon which residents were asked to state whether they were very satisfied, satisfied, neither satisfied or dissatisfied, dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with their proposed allocation for development the outcome was as follows

	VS/S	NSD	D/VD		
SCOP 3/4	57	12	12	(%VS/S 70.3%)	(% not opposed 85.1%)
SCOP 7	55	12	13	(%VS/S 68.7%)	(% not opposed 83.75%)
SCOP9/10/11	45	20	15	(%VS/S 56.2%)	(% not opposed 81.25%)
SCOP 18	43	16	20	(%VS/S 54.4%)	(% not opposed 74.7%)
KG6	49	20	13	(%VS/S 59.7%)	(% not opposed 84.1%)

Bar charts illustrating the above are attached.

Notes-

- a) The results are provisional pending receipt of 1 outstanding questionnaire
- b) The totals above do not equate to 90 as some respondents did not answer all or any of the relevant questions.

Many residents added comments either site specific or general. These were generally constructive and helpful. High on the list of concerns related to drainage and sewage disposal and how new development might impact on that together with a general desire to ensure the provision of low cost and affordable dwellings.

The response of the NPG to the general areas of concern are as follows (Please note the comments below have been edited, amalgamated where similar and generalised to ensure the authors cannot be identified)

### **Scop3/4**

*Comment-* Inadequate parking for the number of houses shown in the indicative plan provided by the landowner.

*Response* -The plan is indicative only but the proposal appears to provide adequate on site parking, and “over spill “ onto Heath Road appears unlikely given individual unit direct access onto the B1189 is not envisaged.

*Comment*- Fewer, larger houses, would be appropriate for this land.

*Response* -This is not a view shared by most respondents who consider the village requires smaller, more affordable properties rather than more large dwellings.

*Comment* The development as proposed would be prohibitively expensive and would deter developers. A cul-de-sac arrangement would be better.

*Response*. The design code report provided by Aecom advises against cul-de -sac development wherever possible. This is a view shared by the NPG and many respondents.

*Comment*-The development would result in loss of views from existing properties.

*Response*-The Neighbourhood plan will contain policies aimed at ensuring new development is in sympathy with the rural aspect of the village and will aim to safeguard important views. However, it is inevitable that there will be some impact upon existing views wherever new homes are built.

*Comment*. What use will the land on the corner of the B1189 and B1188 be put and who will maintain it?

*Response* . It is envisaged that the views of the residents will be sought as to the use to which the land will be put. It is likely it will be maintained by the Parish Council on behalf of residents.

#### **SCOP 7**

*Comment*. Disturbance to the surface may result in increased Radon emissions and the site may be prone to surface water flooding.

*Response* . Before development could take place, the Local Planning authority would need to be satisfied on both points.

*Comment*. The former quarry is a haven for wild -life and should be protected.

*Response*. It is envisaged that the small number of dwellings proposed could be accommodated without detriment to wildlife.

*Comment*. The site would be expensive to develop.

*Response*. This is a matter for the landowner and the market but is reflected in the type of dwellings envisaged.

*Comment*. The site is underutilised under the existing proposal and should be developed with affordable houses.

*Response*. The site is not considered suitable for affordable houses given the nature of the topography ,access etc

*Comment* The development of the site would interfere with use of the playing field

*Response*. Any disruption is unlikely to be long lasting or significant.



#### **SCOP 9-11**

*Comment.* There should be no further dwellings which require access from the B1188.

*Response.* The design codes and policies within the Neighbourhood Plan will seek to ensure that this does not happen.

*Comment.* The development of the site will be too cramped with houses shoe-horned in.

*Response.* The design codes and policies within the Neighbourhood Plan will seek to ensure that any development of this site is appropriate for the village of Scopwick reflecting the rural setting and density of development.

#### **SCOP 18**

*Comment.* The site has no obvious access and development would be prejudicial to Chapel house

*Response.* It is understood the chapel carpark is part of the land holding as is the field access. With careful design and the implementation of design codes and policies within the Neighbourhood Plan the impact on existing dwellings should be minimised.

#### **KG6**

*Comment.* The development should be limited in extent and incorporate affordable/low cost housing.

*Response.* The proposal is to limit development to a maximum of 6 dwellings on the site with an element of low cost/affordable dwellings.

#### **General Observations**

*Comment.* Concerns relating to the capacity of the main sewer in Scopwick .

*Response.* The issue ,which is being addressed by Anglian water and the Environment Agency is one of ground water ingress to the sewer rather than one of capacity. It is considered that the impact on the capacity of the sewer by the development envisaged would not make a significant difference to the foul water disposal problem . However any proposals for development will be assessed having regard to the position at the time of application.

*Comment.* Concerns relating to traffic in the village and the speed limit on the B1188

*Response.* The traffic volumes passing through the village on both the B1188 and B1189 are primarily externally generated, and it is not considered that the relatively small increase in housing numbers in the parish will significantly increase overall traffic volumes.

The speed limit on the B1188 is a matter which the Parish council has been pursuing and which is currently under consideration by the Highway Authority. It is not a matter within the scope of the Neighbourhood Plan.

*Comment.* No development should be permitted until there are more facilities in the village.

*Response.* This is a chicken and egg situation. There is unlikely to be additional facilities in the village without a higher number of residents to support them and in any event under the current Central Lincolnshire Local Plan no development is not an option nor would such a scenario provide the lower cost homes the residents feel are required.

*Comment.* The Limes site should be developed before other sites are considered.

*Response.* The Limes Site is currently the subject of pre-application advice for redevelopment as a site for supported living and is therefore not available as a site for the building of standard dwellings

*Comment* Why has KG4 been selected as a development site and a site for community land?

*Response* . It hasn't . The landowner did suggest this, but it is not the intention of the Parish Council to allocate any part of KG4 for development in the Neighbourhood Plan. There was no indication in the comments by residents in Kirkby Green that the proposal by the landowner had support in the village rather there were a number of comments opposing it.

#### **Next Steps**

The consultation on the proposed site allocations provided clear evidence of support for the proposals put forward by the parish council and the sites identified will now be incorporated in the draft Neighbourhood Plan which will then be subject to further resident consultation. Thereafter the plan will be forwarded to North Kesteven District Council for formal consultation and consideration by an inspector. Finally, when it has been through this process and amended as necessary it will be for you the residents to vote upon whether to adopt it or not,

Thank you again for your comments and for completing the consultation exercise.

Scopwick and Kirkby Green Neighbourhood Planning Group

## **Appendix E Example of Newsletter sent to Update Residents**

### **Scopwick & Kirkby Green Neighbourhood Plan News – February 2020**



From; the Scopwick and Kirkby Green Neighbourhood Plan Group

#### What have we been doing the last few months or so???

In case any of you are wondering what has happened to the Neighbourhood Plan Group over the last few months, I would like to reassure you all that we are still around and working hard to progress our plan. We have been holding workshops with our consultant, Helen Metcalfe, from Planning With People, who has helped us to revise our vision statement and objectives. You will all have a chance to see them at the next Parish consultation open event in the Village Hall. Helen is also going to help us shape our policies on the receipt of the Housing Need Assessment carried out by an organisation called Architecture, Engineering, Consulting, Operations, and Maintenance (AECOM) which was completed out at no cost to the Parish Council, and was the result of an application for free technical support. We have sent out a call for sites letter to land owners in the area to determine plots of land that could be considered for development. We have had a very good response to our letter and are compiling the submissions.

The next package of support for the plan is for; site assessment and allocations, design codes, affordable housing for sale and any further funding required to progress the project. It is an ideal time to formulate our plan as the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan (CLLP) is being revised at the same time. Please continue to visit the website for updates, and minutes of the recent working group meeting are all available to view on the Parish Council website too.

If you have any photos of the Parish that reflect the rural nature, views, unique character and design of Scopwick and Kirkby Green that you would like to submit for potential use within the Neighbourhood Plan please email these in the first instance to me at [cpkerrigan13@gmail.com](mailto:cpkerrigan13@gmail.com) and state whether you would want your name to be credited in the Plan if your photo is used.

This truly is OUR PLAN – take part to make a difference – thank you for your ongoing support.

*Charles Kerrigan*