

The draft Neighbourhood Plan modifications and supporting documents are available ONLINE at:  
[www.brightwellcumsoowellpc.co.uk](http://www.brightwellcumsoowellpc.co.uk)

Paper copies are available to view in the Parish Office, The Red Lion and the Village Stores (please see the parish council website for opening hours). Two public drop in sessions will be held, in the Stewart Room Village Hall: 10-12am Sat 2 April, 6-8pm Tue 5 April

Please include your name and address in your comments (a copy of the Neighbourhood Plan Privacy Statement is available on request). You can send your comments by email or letter to:

**bcsparishcouncil@googlemail.com**

or by post to

**The Parish Clerk, The Parish Office  
The Village Hall, West End  
Brightwell cum Sotwell  
OX10 ORY**

Please email the Parish Clerk or call 01491 826968 if you need further information on how to comment or where to view a copy of the draft neighbourhood plan

**This consultation runs from 21 March – 4<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

**THANK YOU**

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## **PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

### **WE NEED YOUR VIEWS**

Notification of formal consultation on the Brightwell cum Sotwell Modified Neighbourhood Plan (Regulation 14 Town and Country Planning, England, Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012)



Image courtesy of Anna Dillon

# Brightwell cum Sotwell Modified Neighbourhood Plan 2011 – 35

Brightwell cum Sotwell Parish Council took the decision to update its neighbourhood plan in November 2021 to bring it in line with new legislation and planning practice. The existing neighbourhood plan has been modified by a sub group of the Parish Council with support from SODC and consultants ONEilHomer alongside a series of public drop in sessions and presentations. The draft modified neighbourhood plan has been written to help inform how future development takes place, based on evidence, to help conserve what is best about the parish of Brightwell cum Sotwell.

This six week public stakeholder consultation is being carried out by the Parish Council and is known as Regulation 14. Details on how to comment and where to view a copy of the plan are found on the reverse of this page. Once comments have been received, the plan will be reviewed and passed with its supporting documents to South Oxfordshire District Council where it will be checked against legislation (known as Regulation 15). Responsibility will then rest with SODC which will undertake a further formal consultation (known as Regulation 16) before the plan is subject to formal examination by an independent examiner.

Documents for consultation:

- BCS NP Modification Proposals Document 2011 - 35
- Local Green Space Addendum
- Sustainability Appraisal Addendum
- BCS NP Design Code
- Appendix A – Brightwell cum Sotwell Conservation Area Appraisal
- Appendix B – Brightwell cum Sotwell Conservation Area Management Plan
- Appendix C – Brightwell cum Sotwell Community Led Parish Plan 2014-24
- Appendix D – Brightwell cum Sotwell Views Analysis 2022
- Appendix E – Inventory of Assets of Local Heritage Value
- Modification Proposal Statement

The Modified Brightwell cum Sotwell Neighbourhood Plan will:

- Reinforce the village envelope adopted in the existing neighbourhood plan
  - Agree a series of key views across the Parish
- Strengthen the two local gaps that prevent coalescence between Mackney and Brightwell and Slade End with Wallingford
- Bring together existing local policies and guidance (such as the SODC Local Plan, the BCS Conservation Area Appraisal and the 2014 Parish Plan) that informs design in the parish into a single document called a ‘Design Code’
- Update our environmental building standards to help tackle climate change
- Strengthen the neighbourhood plan to provide greater protection for dark skies, encourage local nature recovery and tackle increasing flood risk
  - Propose an inventory of local heritage assets
- Ensure that the existing housing allocation set out in the made plan is carried forward. No new housing allocation is required in the modified plan.