

#### THE FUTURE OF GNOSALL PARISH

#### GNOSALL PARISH COUNCIL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE

(Every reference to Gnosall means the Parish of Gnosall that includes the wards of Moreton & Knightley)

# Introduction – what is the "Neighbourhood Plan" about and why should I be interested?

For the first time ever, Government has given local areas such as Gnosall Parish new powers to develop their own long term land-use planning policy documents. Gnosall already has a "Parish Plan" in place to deal with various community matters but a Neighbourhood Plan, like the Stafford Borough Council Local Plan, deals with how land and buildings are used. It will have a specific Gnosall focus but the Neighbourhood Plan must meet certain legal requirements, and conform to the Borough-wide Local Plan (which already includes some policies about development in Gnosall).

The first and extremely important part of the process is local consultation, starting with this survey. After that, a draft Plan and policies can be written for your comment. Once written and submitted to the Borough Council for checking by an independent examiner our Neighbourhood Plan then has to be subject to a public vote and achieve majority support before it can be approved. When approved it gets legal status and will sit alongside the Borough Council's Local Plan. Our Gnosall policies then have to be taken into account when the Borough Council decides planning applications in our area. Our Neighbourhood Plan can help influence how future development to meet our needs should happen and it can also help protect land and buildings people think are important. *Please do take time to complete this questionnaire – it's YOUR plan!* 

When you have completed this questionnaire, please return it by 31st January 2014 to:

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#### Information about you

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Name:
Address:
Phone number: E-mail:
Please tick all boxes that apply
<ol> <li>Are you responding on behalf of you as an individual or as a family or as a business?</li> <li>INDIVIDUAL</li></ol>
2. Do you live in the Parish of Gnosall? YES $\square$ NO $\square$
3. Do you work in the Parish of Gnosall? YES $\square$ NO $\square$
4. How many people live in your house?
5. Which age groups do they belong to? 0-15 16-24 25-44 45-64 65+ (Please state how many)
Education

Do you have children at School at Nursery? School □ Nursery □ N/A □
 If Yes, please name school/nursery.....

### **Community Facilities / Amenities**

7.	Which village facilities do you use? ( <i>Please tick <u>all</u> that apply)</i>							
	Shops 🗌	Hot food	l takeaways		Health facilities	s 🗌	Library 🗌	
	Education	Youth cl	ub 🗌	Pubs	/Restaurants	S	wimming Pool 🗌	
	Local clubs/socie	eties 🗌	Cubs/Sco	uts/Brov	wnies/Guides 🗌	P	ublic Open Space 🗌	
	Other local facilit	ies/amenit	ies?					

8. For each of the following amenities in Gnosall please tick which you think best describes the current position.

	Excellent	Good	Average	Poor	Inadequate
Shopping					
Pubs / Restaurants					
Health Facilities					
Public Open Space					
Education					
Scouts/Brownies					
Youth Club					
Swimming Pool					
Library					

9. What facilities or amenities or shops are missing or inadequate in Gnosall? (*Please list your top 3*)

1.				
2.				
3.				
10. In your opinion, h	now strong is the sense	e of community	in Gnosall?	
Very strong	Quite strong	Average 🗌	Not very strong $\Box$	Weak 🗌

11. What do you think are the three best things about Gnosall?
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- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

12. What do you think are the three worst things about Gnosall?

- 1.
- 2.
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- 3.

## Transport

13. How do you	13. How do you get about in Gnosall? ( <i>Please tick <u>all</u> that apply)</i>					
By car 🗌	By bus $\Box$	On foot $\Box$	By motor-bike 🗌	]		
By bicycle	By mobility s	cooter 🗌	Other please spec	ify		
14. If you work,	how do you travel to	o work? ( <i>Please</i>	e tick <u>all</u> that apply)			
By car 🗌	By bus 🗌	On foot $\Box$	By motor-b	ike 🗌		
By bicycle	By mobility s	cooter 🗌	Other please spec	ify		
15. How do you	rate the car parking	g facilities in Gn	osall?			
Excellent	Good 🗌	Average 🗌	Poor	Inadequate 🗌		
•	u consider to be th speed, crossings, p		nportant issues for	traffic management in		

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

17.	Are the bus	s servio	ces adequate	to meet your needs?			
	YES 🗌	NO					
	lf no, pleas	e say v	why				
<u>Em</u>	<u>ployment</u>						
18.	What do yo	ou thinl	k of the job op	portunities in Gnosal	I? Are they:		
	Excellent		Good 🗌	Average	Poor 🗌	Inadequate 🗌	
19.	Would you	ı like to	see more loc	al employment oppo	rtunities? YES		
20.	If yes, do y to increase			should be identified f	or developmer	t to create businesses	
	YES 🗆	NO 🗆					
21.	details)					gest? (Please provide	_
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<u>Tel</u>	ecommuni	cation	!				
22.	Do you thi	nk ther	re should be h	igh speed broadband	d within the Pa	rish?	
	YES 🗌	NO 🗆					
23.	Would you	i suppo	ort better mobi	le phone coverage?	YES 🗌	NO 🗆	
24.	Are there of	other fo	orms of comm	unication technology	you would like	to see provided?	
	YES 🗌	NO 🗆	l				
	(If Yes, ple	ase sp	ecify)				
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#### Public Open Spaces and Outdoor Recreation

25. How do you rate the general quality of the natural environment in Gnosall?

Excellent	Good 🗌	Average	Poor	Inadequate 🗌

26. Which of the following do you regularly use? (please tick all that apply)

• • •	The Shropshire Union Canal The former Railway Line Public Footpaths The Acres The Acres The Village Green The Chippy Jumps Other (plagage appoint)	
•	Other (please specify)	

27. What types of Open Space/Outdoor Places would you like to see more provision for in Gnosall?

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- Walking/Exercise (without a dog/s)
- Dog Walking
- Sports or Recreation
- Cycling
- Horseriding
- Watch wildlife
- Picnics

#### <u>Tourism</u>

28. Do you think there should be more opportunities for tourism developed in Gnosall?

YES	NO 🗌	

29. Do you think there should be more places to stay in Gnosall? YES		NO	
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If yes, what sort of facilities?

Bed & Breakfast	Hotel	Caravan and camping 🗌
Other (please state)		

#### **Buildings/Facilities Community Value**

Government has recently introduced powers to provide protection to buildings or local facilities which can be identified as having "Community Value". This is intended to cover things which are not already protected by other laws (such as Listed Buildings, Conservation Areas and certain nature conservation sites)

30. Are there any important buildings or	facilities in Gnosall which you think should be
considered for protection? YES $\Box$	NO 🗌

If so, which ones?	
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#### <u>Housing</u>

31. Please tick the box which you think best describes the current provision of housing in the Parish of Gnosall.

Excellent	Good 🗌	Average 🗌	Poor 🗌	Inadequate 🗌
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32. Under the new Stafford Borough Local Plan the Parish of Gnosall will have to take a share of new build housing over the next 20 years. If new homes are to be built how many should be permitted in Gnosall over this period?

No more than 100	No more than 200	
No more than 300	No more than 400	
Unlimited number	No opinion	

33. In your view, what sizes and types of dwellings should the plan prioritise?

1 bedroom houses	2 bedroom houses	
3 bedroom houses	4 bedroom houses	
Larger houses	1 bedroom bungalows	
2 bedroom bungalows	3 bedroom bungalows	
Blocks of apartments	Social housing for rent	

34. Can you identify areas of land within the Parish of Gnosall where you consider a housing development of more than 15 houses would be acceptable? If so, please provide sufficient information in the box below to allow the area to be identified on a map.

If you wish to make any comments or other proposals for housing within Gnosall, please use the space below

#### Issue: Maximising community benefits when development happens

Part of the Government's "Localism" agenda is that where planning permission is granted for development in a community, that community should gain the most benefit from it.

Stafford Borough Council is the Local Planning Authority and decides planning applications. Under current arrangements where planning permission is granted for large scale developments, the planning permission is often subject to a legal agreement (referred to as a "Section 106 Agreement") to obtain funding from the developer for things like highways works, recreation and education provision. Usually these funds are pooled by the Borough Council for general use across the Borough, but they may also get directed for use within Gnosall, depending what they relate to. At present, the Parish Council has little or no say in this. More consultation with the Parish Council would help ensure that the needs of Gnosall are prioritised when such funds and legal agreements are negotiated and written.

- 35. Do you agree that developer funding contributions through legal agreements associated with planning permissions in Gnosall area should be written to ensure that the needs of Gnosall area are prioritised?
  - YES 🗌 NO 🗌
- 36. If yes, do you agree that Stafford Borough Council should consult the Parish Council when writing legal agreements to help achieve this?



37. If yes, do you also agree that the Parish Council should, if necessary, deal directly with developers to try and achieve benefits for Gnosall?

YES 🗌	NO 🗌
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The Parish Council's website is regularly updated so please refer to this for updates on the Neighbourhood Plan as well as the monthly bulletins in GPN.