

EDGMOND PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

DROP-IN SESSIONS 22ND, 23RD & 24TH SEPTEMBER 2016

A summary of the information and questions on the display boards

The Localism Act of 2011 has given communities the right to shape their own future by developing a Neighbourhood Plan. A Neighbourhood Plan is similar to the old Parish Plan but, unlike the Parish Plan, it carries more weight and once ratified will have legal status. A Neighbourhood Plan must demonstrate that the views of the community have been sought, acted upon, and finally accepted by the majority of residents. Having a Neighbourhood Plan will allow the Parish Council to be proactive rather than reactive when it comes to housing development in Edgmond.

The Neighbourhood Plan is a community-based document and so cannot be written without the input from residents of the Parish of Edgmond. Therefore your opinions and comments are of vital importance. So that we can write the Neighbourhood Plan the Parish Council needs your ideas and opinions about how you see the village developing in the future.

Transport and Traffic

Edgmond is served by two bus services:

- The Community mini-bus service, which runs a return service between Edgmond and Tibberton (via Sambrook) to Newport twice a day.
- The Arriva service which runs a return service between Newport and Shrewsbury via Edgmond six times each day.

When considering **transport & traffic** some questions you might consider could be:

- What is your opinion of the public transport services available to and from Edgmond?
- Do you use the public transport system?
- What would encourage you to use the public transport from Edgmond?
- What other opinions do you have concerning public transport to and from Edgmond?
- Are there problems with speeding vehicles in the village? If so - where?

Pavements, Roads & Street Lighting

Edgmond is one of the few villages in the area to have street lighting. Tell us what you think about the lighting.

What is your opinion of the **street lighting** in Edgmond?

- Are there areas where there are too many or not enough lights?
- Are there any areas where you think some lights are in the wrong place?
- What other issues do you think there are with street lighting in the village?

When considering the **roads and pavements** some questions you might consider could be:

- What do you think about the condition of roads in Edgmond?
- What do you think about the pavements in the village?
- Do you think there are any issues with parking in the village? If you do what suggestions do you have to help to alleviate the problems?
- Are there any other problems with roads or pavements that you think need attention?

Community Amenities

Community amenities may be considered to be those things that might make life for residents more convenient and more comfortable. You may like to comment on the following amenities. The list is not exhaustive, so please add others you think should be included.

The Village School

Two Pubs

St Peter's Church

The Bowling Club

The Village Hall

The Shop & Post Office

The Playing Field

The Garage

The Walking Bus

The Children's Play Park

What is your view of local amenities?

Housing

The T&W emerging Local Plan envisages that around 80 houses may be built across the 5 rural settlements of Lilleshall, Edgmond, High Ercall, Tibberton & Waters Upton over the next 15 years. As we all live longer the average age of the population will increase.

It may be argued that new houses will help bring new young people into the village. What do **you** think about this?

When considering **house building** some questions you might want to consider could be:

- Where do you think new houses should be built?
- What is your opinion on the type of housing that should be built in the village?
- The Conservation Area is a mixture of a built environment and open space. Building may be allowed in the Conservation Area. What are your opinions about building taking place in the Edgmond Conservation Area?
- What other opinions do you have about building and development in the village?

Employment

A lack of employment and business opportunities within Edgmond means that residents must travel, quite often long distances, to their places of employment.

The Government has said (in the NPPF) that development of redundant buildings in rural areas may be allowed.

Some questions about **employment** you might like to consider could be:

- What is your opinion of employment opportunities within the parish?
- Where could businesses develop within the parish?
- Have you any other thoughts about employment within Edgmond?

Public Rights of Way

'Rights of Way' means any footpath, bridleway or restricted byway. In Edgmond, rights of way are usually used to access the open countryside.

When considering **public rights of way** some questions you might wish to consider could be:

- Do you use rights of way in Edgmond?
- Do you know where they are?
- Are they easily accessible?
- How well maintained are they?
- If you don't use local rights of way. Could you tell us why not?
- Are there any other things you would like to say about our rights of way?

Green spaces

Edgmond is a rural parish. The village is surrounded by the 'green space' of the countryside and has many green spaces within it, making it a pleasant and 'open' area in which to live. The Conservation Area comprises substantial areas of open 'green space'. In addition we have the Church Field, Playing Field and Play Area, Village Hall field.

Some questions about **green spaces** you might like to think about could be:-

- What is your opinion of the green spaces within the village?
- Are they important to you?
- Should building take place on the green spaces?
- What is your opinion of the importance of the Conservation Area?
- Do you have any other opinions about our green spaces?

Community Safety

This section will be completed soon