

Need a Paper Copy? - No Problem

If you can't join us online, paper copies can be picked up, and completed ones dropped off, at four places in our villages:



Arden Academy Reception
(9am - 4pm weekdays)
Station Road, Knowle, B93 0PT



Knowle Library
High Street, B93 0LL



St Philips Church 'Link'
(9am - 12pm weekdays)
Manor Road, Dorridge, B93 8DX



Vernon James, Butchers
239 Widney Road,
Bentley Heath, B93 9BW

Need to get advice about or help with the Survey?
Come and talk to us on
Saturday May 28 and/or June 4 between 10am and 12pm
at either **Knowle Library or Dorridge Station**

Or phone 0300 1020111 weekdays between 10am and 1pm

More info on our website www.kdbh-np.org



Knowle, Dorridge and Bentley Heath Neighbourhood Forum

Residents Survey

23 May - 10 June

**Your views will shape future
development of our villages**

Please respond online at
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The Power to Choose

In October 2015, the KDBH Neighbourhood Forum was officially designated to represent you in all local planning matters relating to future development.

We do this by involving the community in creating a Neighbourhood Plan that sets out what development is acceptable in our Area and why. Once approved, this Plan has **legal force**. Developers and local authority planners **must** take notice of it.

So, we can now choose to take more control of our future. And the choices we make DO matter for important aspects of our community, such as those below.

HOUSING



- Up to 1,500 new houses in our Area?
- What type of housing do we most need?
- Where would we want them located?
- Fewer larger or more smaller scale developments?

LEISURE, LEARNING AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES



- Which open spaces need protecting?
- What will be the impact of new housing on school places?
- Do we need more sports facilities?
- Do our young people need more community facilities?

TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE



- What's the impact of increased demand for Dorridge rail services?
- How do we solve parking problems?
- Do we need to be better connected to growth centres of employment?
- Should we create policies to encourage more walking and cycling?

GREEN BELT



- In our Area any significant new development WILL affect Green Belt**
- Which part should we fight for?
 - Is there Green Belt land we would be more willing to let go?
 - What can we do to influence Council decisions on Green Belt?

A 'One Off' Opportunity to Have Your Say

A Neighbourhood Plan must seek out the views of everyone in the community - and demonstrate that responses given represent a fair cross section of opinion.

We have chosen to undertake a Residents' Survey, allowing every individual living in the KDBH Neighbourhood Area to express their own views. The cost of running such a large survey means that we will only be able to do it once.

It is vitally important to have as many responses to this survey as possible because the results will set the direction and priorities for defining planning policies to meet community needs over the next 15 - 20 years.

Anyone aged 16 or over who normally resides in KDBH - but may be temporarily away studying, travelling or working - can take part. So please encourage everyone in your household to complete the survey.

To ensure anonymity and remove any risk of bias, the survey will be run by a third party who will independently collect and analyse the responses.

Once the 'results are in', we will hold a special Open Forum meeting to feedback the findings and what they mean for Plan development.

We will undertake another, smaller survey for local businesses and their employees later this year

Please help us by taking the time to complete the survey and make a difference to future development of our Area. It should take about 15 - 20 minutes to complete, can be saved and continued later if more convenient, and even submitted at any stage if you feel you have nothing further to add.

Thank you and we look forward to some interesting results!

We have never had this chance before - let's make the most of it.

