



Draft Village Character and Natural Environment Policy

KDBH Knowle, Dorridge and Bentley Heath Neighbourhood Forum

Residents Survey
23 May to 10 June
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You want the Neighbourhood Plan to ensure that

- safeguard Green Belt open countryside
- maintain and improve village feel and atmosphere
- ensure clear separation from Solihull and surrounding villages
- safeguard ease of access to surrounding open countryside
- avoid housing development on large Green Belt sites
- protect important trees, hedgerows and woodlands
- preserve and restore key biodiversity features
- promote the maintenance and improvement of green spaces
- protect the landscape and historic and natural features
- give the community a meaningful say in the design and layout of new developments.

This is what drives our Village Character and Natural Environment Policies

Village Character & Natural Environment - Policy Goal

Our policies aim to maintain separation of Knowle, Dorridge and Bentley Heath from Solihull, Shirley and surrounding villages by protecting the Green Belt from inappropriate development whilst ensuring easy access to the countryside.

The character and feel of the villages, their historic cores and the natural environment will be protected. The provision of new features that enrich the quality of the natural environment will be supported. Existing and new assets will be carefully managed and improved.

Policies



VC1
Green Belt and Landscape



VC2
Conservation Areas



VC3
Heritage Assets



VC4
Green Space



VC5
Green Streets



NE1
Trees, Hedgerows and Woodland



NE2
Habitats and Biodiversity