

WHY DO WE NEED A NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN NOW?

South Lakeland District Council and the National Park are preparing proposals for future housing, employment, and conservation in our Parish as part of a larger County-wide study. In response, the Parish has voted to write a Neighbourhood Plan which will help guide future development decisions.

An open meeting was held on 5th September 2018 in Argles Memorial Hall to which all residents of the Parish of Crosthwaite & Lyth were invited. At this meeting a motion was tabled and passed, by show of hands, in favour of progressing with the development of a Neighbourhood Plan.

WHAT IS A NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN?

A Neighbourhood Plan is a way of helping local communities influence the planning in the area in which they live and work. It can be used to:

- Develop a shared vision for your neighbourhood.
- Choose where new homes, shops, offices and other development should be built.
- Identify and protect important local green spaces.
- Influence what new buildings should look like.

HOW WILL OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN BE DEVELOPED?

The Parish Council has agreed to set up a Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group to guide the process. It is vital that Residents of the Parish are consulted at all stages. The steering Group has agreed with the Parish Council what that process will be, which is:

1. Present alternative visions to residents in the parish before agreeing a single draft vision.
2. Circulate a detailed questionnaire based on the draft vision.
3. Draft final vision for parish wide consultation.
4. Produce Neighbourhood Plan based on the final vision.

This document refers to step 1 of the process.

HOW DO YOU THINK THE PARISH SHOULD DEVELOP?

Everyone will have their own idea on how the Parish should develop. We hope to find one that most residents in the Parish can support. We now need your input so the Steering Group can consolidate the views of residents and come up with a draft Community Vision. To stimulate your ideas we have put three alternative scenarios overleaf. You might want to formulate your own, or add elements not included in the three alternatives so there is a fourth empty box for you to add comments. The final draft Vision will articulate what residents believe the Parish should look like in 15 years' time and may include: number and type of additional housing; where housing should be developed; development of the school; recreation spaces; infrastructure; age profile of residents; employment opportunities; and changes to the immediate environment.

We will deliver one copy of this flyer per household. If you need more copies for multiple respondents, please request additional copies by emailing neighbourhoodplan@crosthwaiteandlyth.co.uk. We are also happy to accept additional comments on a sheet of paper with your reply.

You are welcome to discuss your thoughts at one of two drop in sessions at Argles Memorial Hall in Crosthwaite on April 10th (2pm to 6pm) and April 17th (7pm to 9pm). We will also be in the Community Tent at Damson Day on 13th April. If you cannot make these sessions or wish to respond in writing, please do so by sending your response to "Crosthwaite and Lyth Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, c/o Simon Johnson" (there will be a drop-box in Argles Memorial Hall, the Church Foyer and at Damson Day), or email to neighbourhoodplan@crosthwaiteandlyth.co.uk

Please let us have your feedback by Wednesday 24th April.

We very much welcome your comments, observations and ideas. Please let us know what YOU think. Thank you for your help.

Simon Johnson (Chair); Alan Gerrard; Dorothy Grace; Robert Sykes and Steve Rowlinson.

