

Norton Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

The Parish Vision and Objectives 2017-2029

Our Visions, and the subsequent Objectives, have been developed following the analysis of results from the Parish consultation carried out in July 2016.

The Steering Group have also reviewed the Vision incorporated into the Norton Village Design Statement (adopted in 2008) and the Norton Housing Needs Survey (2014), with the intension of aligning common themes.

Our Vision

The village of Norton, and its wider Parish, should be allowed to maintain a defined demarcation from the expanding town of Daventry, which preserves its character and rural appearance. Natural and historical features must be given due consideration

Management of amenities and services should be maintained and enhanced where appropriate, while excessive traffic flows are controlled.

Housing and business growth opportunities should be limited to reflect the needs of those who make the community of Norton Parish their home or chosen work location.

Our Objectives

Housing

1. To ensure any new housing developments are small scale to reflect the infill status Norton has been granted.
2. New high quality properties should include a range of house sizes and assorted ownership types.

Traffic and Highways

3. To reduce traffic problems and improve highway safety particularly in respect of the ongoing large-scale expansion of the nearby town, Daventry.
4. To upgrade footpaths and cycle ways and to encourage more public transport options.
5. To improve parking around the village.

Business

6. To support home working and local businesses.
7. To encourage the development of small artisan business units, in line with Norton's infill status.

Community Infrastructure

8. To protect and improve community assets and open spaces
9. To ensure that the full range of utility infrastructures are available for all existing and new developments in the Parish

Environment

10. To protect and preserve the size, form and character of the Parish and to maintain the separation of the village and the wider Parish from the surrounding settlements
11. To give due consideration to the visible and invisible historical features of Parish
12. To protect and enhance the local landscape and significant views
13. To safeguard wildlife, flora and fauna within the parish

Continuing Development and Continuity of Local Strategies

14. To continually monitor approved strategies in conjunction with local authorities and advisory bodies