

Why have a Neighbourhood Plan for Radwinter?

1. The Neighbourhood Area of Radwinter (corresponding to the Parish) was designated by Uttlesford in 2019. Now, you have an opportunity to have a real say in how our local area should develop.
2. As part of the Uttlesford Local Plan, decisions will be made about future development. Our Neighbourhood Plan must be consistent with the Uttlesford Local Plan.
3. The Neighbourhood Plan will plan for housing, employment, recreation and a range of community uses. Further policies will deal with the environment, heritage and protection of wildlife areas.
4. What is appropriate for the wider Uttlesford District is not necessarily appropriate for the setting of our rural area, its communities and its economy. It is therefore very important for us to have a Neighbourhood Plan that sets policies that are appropriate for our small settlements and their rural context.
5. We need a Neighbourhood Plan to control the way that development happens and to ensure that it respects the character of the Parish, is beneficial to the community and makes a positive contribution to the local economy. This is essential if our community is to thrive, but these matters will not receive the necessary level of attention in the Local Plan, which will be more strategic in its focus.
6. A Neighbourhood Plan will enable us to identify and plan for the facilities and services that are needed by our growing and changing population. We need to identify our needs in terms of local shops, recreation, sport, leisure, facilities for local businesses, transport, road safety, and our rural environment and heritage.
7. The Neighbourhood Plan must be approved in a Neighbourhood Referendum. If it receives approval it will be adopted by the local authority and become part of the Local Plan. It will have legal standing and planning officers will have to refer to the Neighbourhood Plan's policies when deciding planning applications.

Why a Questionnaire?

8. The success of the Neighbourhood Plan will depend on the participation of the community. This Questionnaire is the start of the process, with participants helping to identify issues facing the Neighbourhood Area.

9. This questionnaire is designed to elicit your opinions on some of the important issues that must be considered as we plan for the development of our Neighbourhood Area. By identifying needs and planning to meet them we can plan for a healthy, vibrant local community and economy; and we can plan for growth and change that do not conflict with the rural environment and landscape that we all love and that are the reason why so many of us came to live here.

How to complete and return your Questionnaire

10. We hope that every resident will complete a Questionnaire. You can complete it by downloading a copy from the website and returning by email, or directly through the online survey. Both options are listed on www.radwinter.net/neighbourhoodplan and have been advertised through the local Google Group.

Paper copies can also be obtained from the Church porch. When completing the Questionnaire on paper, please drop your questionnaire through the letterbox of Jarrards, Church Hill (first house in terrace on left going down Church Hill alongside Church) or scan and email a copy to radwinter.plan@gmail.com.

11. Please complete and return your Questionnaire by **Monday 3 June 2024**.

12. When the results of this questionnaire have been analysed the structure of the plan will be determined and there will be a more detailed questionnaire to allow the plan to be drafted.

RADWINTER COMMUNITY QUESTIONNAIRE- MAY 2024

Question 1

How old are you?

- Under 18
- 18-25
- 25-30
- 30-40
- 40-50
- 50-60
- 60-70
- 70+

Question 2

How long have you lived in Radwinter?

- 0-5 years
- 5-10 years
- 10-20 years
- 20+ years

Question 3

What do you like about Radwinter? Choose all that apply.

- Rural location/lifestyle
- Easy access to countryside
- Community feel
- Access to major roads/rail
- Proximity to urban areas (Cambridge/London)
- Other

If Other, please specify: _____

Question 4

What do you dislike about Radwinter?

- Lack of facilities (doctors, shops, post office)
- Development
- Lack of transportation
- Road flooding
- Other

If Other, please specify: _____

Question 5

Does any member of your household want or need to move out of their property in the next 5 years to relocate within the Parish?

- Yes
- No

Question 6

If you answered yes to 5; what type of household member(s) will want or need to move out?

- A single adult
- An adult couple
- A family with children
- A single older person
- An older couple
- Other

If Other, please specify: _____

Question 7

If the answer to 5 is yes, why is the current property unsuitable for the household member(s) moving?

Please select all that apply.

- Too big
- Too small
- Too expensive
- Too difficult/costly to maintain
- Unsuitable for health / mobility requirements
- Want / need to live independently
- Want / need to move for work reasons
- Want / need to move to be closer to family
- Other reasons

If Other reasons, please specify: _____

Question 8

If you answered 'yes' to 5, what type of property would be most suitable for the household member(s) planning or needing to move?

- House (other than Bungalow)
- Bungalow
- Flat/apartment
- Sheltered/retirement housing
- Extra care housing
- Other

If Other, please specify: _____

Question 9:

Do you think road safety for pedestrians and cyclists is a problem in Radwinter?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

Question 10

To what extent do you think traffic congestion is a problem in Radwinter?

- A serious problem
- Not a serious problem
- Not a problem at all

Question 11

How satisfied are you with the publicly accessible green spaces in the Radwinter area?

- Satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
- Dissatisfied

Question 12

In your opinion, for which of the following types of community facility do you think there is the greatest need for in the Neighbourhood Plan area? Please choose all that apply.

- Preschool
- Shop
- GP surgery
- Youth Clubs
- Open spaces
- Other

If Other, please specify: _____

Question 13

How important is protecting the environment and enhancing the biodiversity of the Radwinter Neighbourhood Plan area?

- Very Important
- Important
- Not Important

Please explain your answer and provide any suggestions or initiatives that you are currently involved with or would like to take place in Radwinter: _____

Question 14

Would you like further areas protected for wildlife, biodiversity, the natural landscape or any other environmental (including historical) reason?

- Yes
- No

If 'yes' please explain your answer and provide any suggestions: _____

Question 15

How important is protecting the Conservation area and Radwinter and North Essex traditional building design when building or restoring homes:

- Very Important
- Important
- Neutral
- Not Important

Please explain your reasons: _____

Question 16

What could Radwinter do to help address climate change? Please tick those you think should be pursued.

- Public electric car charging points
- Solar farms
- Wind farms
- Require developments to ensure high levels of energy efficiency and other ecologically friendly design practices
- Other

If Other, please specify: _____

Question 17

Please tell us anything else about Radwinter Parish that you would like the Neighbourhood Plan to consider, or add further details that did not fit into answer boxes above.