LAVENHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REVISION



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A revision to the current Neighbourhood Plan has been underway for almost two years. It is now ready to go through the formal pre-submission consultation process that is a legal requirement for all Neighbourhood Plans. The consultation period runs from Thursday 8 December 2022 to Wednesday 1 February 2023.

The proposed pre-submission version can be viewed on the Lavenham Neighbourhood Plan website: **bit.ly/LNPhome**

Paper copies of the Plan are available to view at Lavenham Library in our Village Hall during its normal opening hours (Tel: 01787 247729 to check times, which are expected to alter over the festive period).

Note: If you are a Lavenham resident with mobility problems that mean you cannot access the library, please contact the Parish Clerk (lavenhampc@yahoo.co.uk; 01787 247041) and alternative arrangements will be made for you.

This is your opportunity to make comments on the Plan, but these cannot be anonymous. All personal information will be treated in accordance with Lavenham Parish Council's Data Protection Policy. Comments (which must include the sender's name and address) can be made in any of the following ways:

- Completing the on-line questionnaire found on the website: bit.ly/LNPhome
- By email to lavenhamnp2@aol.com
- Paper based comments delivered to the Village Information Point, 2 Lady Street, Lavenham CO10 9RA, or the post box outside the Parish Office at the entrance to the Church Street car park.

Please mark your envelope 'LNP2 Consultation Response'.

Background to the proposed revision of the Lavenham Neighbourhood Plan

Lavenham residents responded positively to the current Lavenham Neighbourhood Plan (LNP1) in a Household Survey undertaken in July and August 2021. Comprehensive feedback was presented in a series of 16 posters displayed at drop-in sessions in the village hall. From this baseline of local opinion, four key themes have been identified for the proposed revision of the 2016 Neighbourhood Plan.

Theme 1: Climate change

Theme 2: Flourishing village community

Theme 3: Landscape and heritage

Theme 4: Movement of people and vehicles

For each of these themes, the proposed pre-submission version of the Plan states clear *objectives*, planning *policies*, and a range of *community initiatives*.

In addition, work was commissioned from independent experts that has resulted in two supporting documents to the proposed revision of the Lavenham Neighbourhood Plan: an updated Lavenham Landscape Character & Sensitivity Assessment 2023, and a Lavenham Design Guide 2023. Together these three documents:

- Describe Lavenham and the current issues it faces, and
- Propose positive changes that address the concerns of people living and working in Lavenham

PLEASE look at the proposed revision of the Plan and let us know what you think - your comments are welcome. Use any one of the ways listed above or come to *the Drop-In Information Session between 16.00 - 19.00 in the Village Hall on Tuesday 17 January 2023*.

The consultation closes on Wednesday 1 February 2023.