



CHRISTIAN MALFORD

NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

2014 QUESTIONNAIRE



Who questions much, shall learn much, and retain much
Francis Bacon

You don't get unity by ignoring the questions that have to be faced
Jay Weatherill

Ask the right questions if you're to find the right answers
Vanessa Redgrave

Why this is important to all of us in the Parish?

Wiltshire Council (WCC) is developing a Core Strategy, part of which will allocate locations for 42,000 additional homes in the county by 2026. Most of this new housing will be in the towns but the large villages such as Christian Malford will be required to accept their share which could be 35, or more. We know that WCC is going to change the village development boundary to facilitate new development.

The Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) is the mechanism in the current planning laws that enable the residents to influence changes to the village development boundary and also the type of new dwellings that can be built. It is the legal instrument that will defend the village against speculative developers.

This questionnaire is the starting point for us all to get a Neighbourhood Development Plan adopted by Wiltshire CC and therefore to get planning enforcement behind the wishes of the Residents in the Parish.



The Parish as it is now

The Parish covers over 1,000 hectares. The boundary is formed by the River Avon to the West and to the North. To the East the Parish stretches almost to Dauntsey Lock village. The Parish boundary then forms the Western perimeter of Lyneham Airfield and meets Foxham to the South (see map on page 5).

Within the Parish there are over 2 miles of the M4, a similar length of the GWR mainline and about a mile of the line of the Wilts & Berks Canal. Most of the land is agricultural with 9 working farms and 2 chicken farms.

The Parish has 292 dwellings with a 190 of them being within the village development area (see map on page 5). The current village development area consists of : –

- Station Road up to and including the Rising Sun and all the roads that run off of it.
- Church Road (excluding the Old Rectory and the Church), including The Green and Lime Trees but not Coronation Close.
- Lye Common up to the end of the existing dwellings.

The only site in Main Road in the village development area is The Mermaid. This is a listed building and subject to listed building regulations and outside the scope of the NDP. A planning application for this site is thought to be under consideration by WCC.

Of the 190 dwellings in the village development area:

73% are detached

90% would be classed as family dwellings of various sizes

12% are bungalows (23)

No small starter homes have been identified

At the time of the 2011 census there were 705 residents in the Parish:

169 (24%) being under 19

153(22%) in the range 20 to 45

208(29%) aged 45 to 59

175(25%) aged 60 or over



What is the next step?

Please complete this questionnaire and tell us about what you think is important in planning for the future of our village, For example:

- How much should the village grow in the future ?
- What sort of development would you prefer for the parish?
- What you think makes Christian Malford special today?

Christian Malford Parish

1) How important are the following to the quality of life in Christian Malford?

Please tick relevant box for each line	Not Important 1	2	3	4	Very Important 5
Open/green spaces in the village					
Rural atmosphere					
Local wildlife and habitats					
Sense of community					
Friendly and safe environment					
Village facilities (shop, church, school...)					
Other (Add in comments)					

Comments:

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Housing / Development

There are currently 291 homes in Christian Malford. The Draft Wiltshire Core Strategy proposes that Christian Malford Parish should accommodate a minimum of 15 additional homes up to 2026. A further allocation increase is likely before the Strategy is finalised.

2) What are your views on future housing developments ?:

Please tick relevant box for each line	Not Suitable 1	2	3	4	Most Suitable 5
Adding 15-25 new homes					
Adding 25-35 new homes					
Adding more than 35 homes					

Comments:



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3) What size development(s) do you think are suitable for future housing in Christian Malford?

Please tick relevant box for each line	Not Suitable 1	2	3	4	Most Suitable 5
One large development (eg 15 or more homes)					
Several small developments (eg 5-10 homes)					
Individual plots					
A mixture of small and individual developments					

Comments:

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4) What level of housing density is appropriate for future development(s) in Christian Malford?
(Please tick relevant lines)

High (eg The Park – the new development in Sutton Benger)	
Medium (eg The Nurseries)	
Low (eg Lime Trees)	
Similar to the surrounding area outside the village centre	

5) What type of housing are you in now and what type of housing will your household require in the future, between now and 2026?

Please tick relevant boxes for each line	NOW		FUTURE	
	Owned	Rented	Owned	Rented
Flat				
Bungalow				
House with 1-2 beds				
House with 3-4 beds				
House with 5 or more beds				
Warden assisted retirement housing				
Affordable housing				
Social housing				
Eco friendly housing				
Other, please specify				
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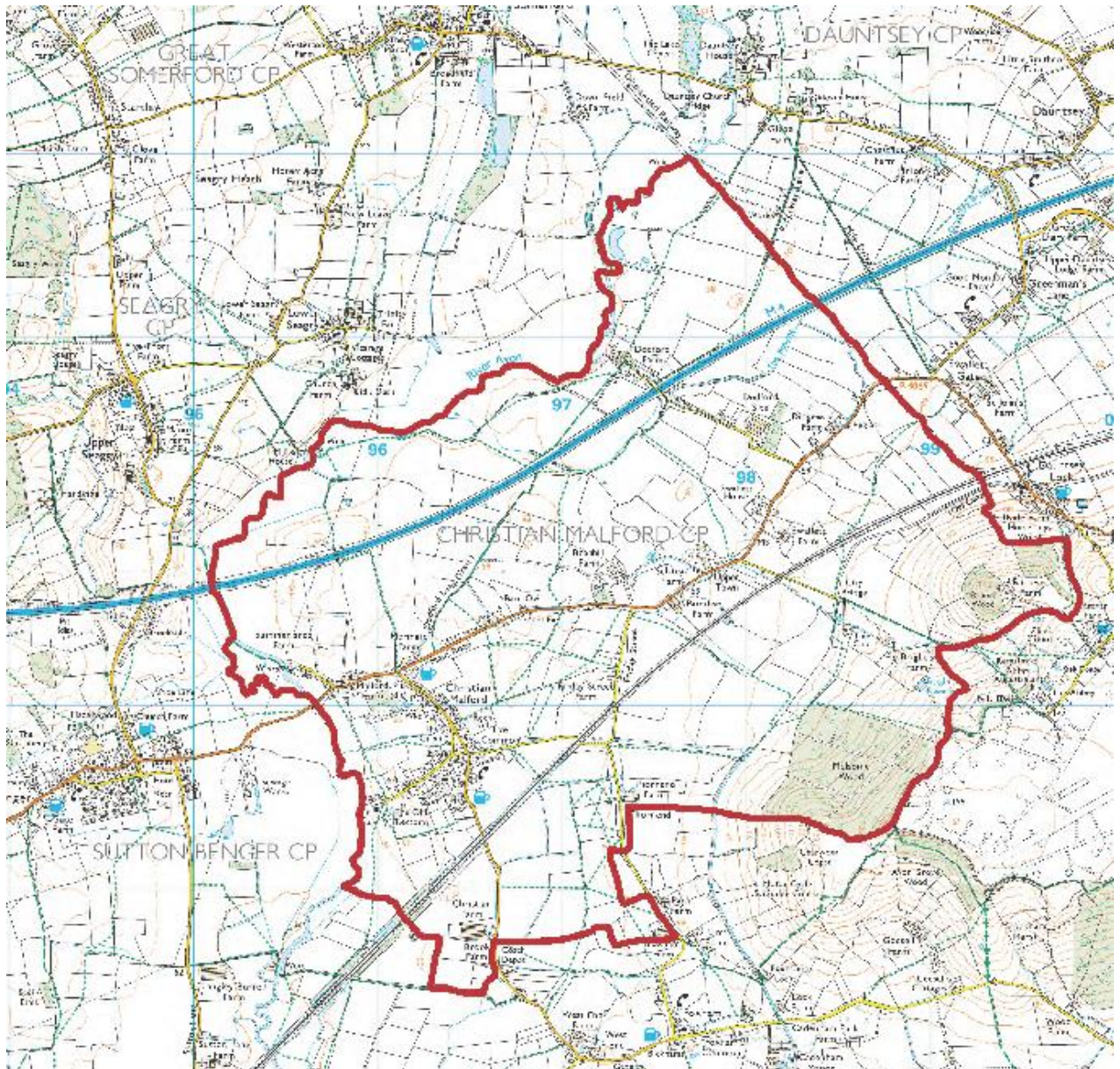
6) Housing Development Sites

The Neighbourhood Development Plan enables residents to propose sites for housing development, providing they meet planning requirements.

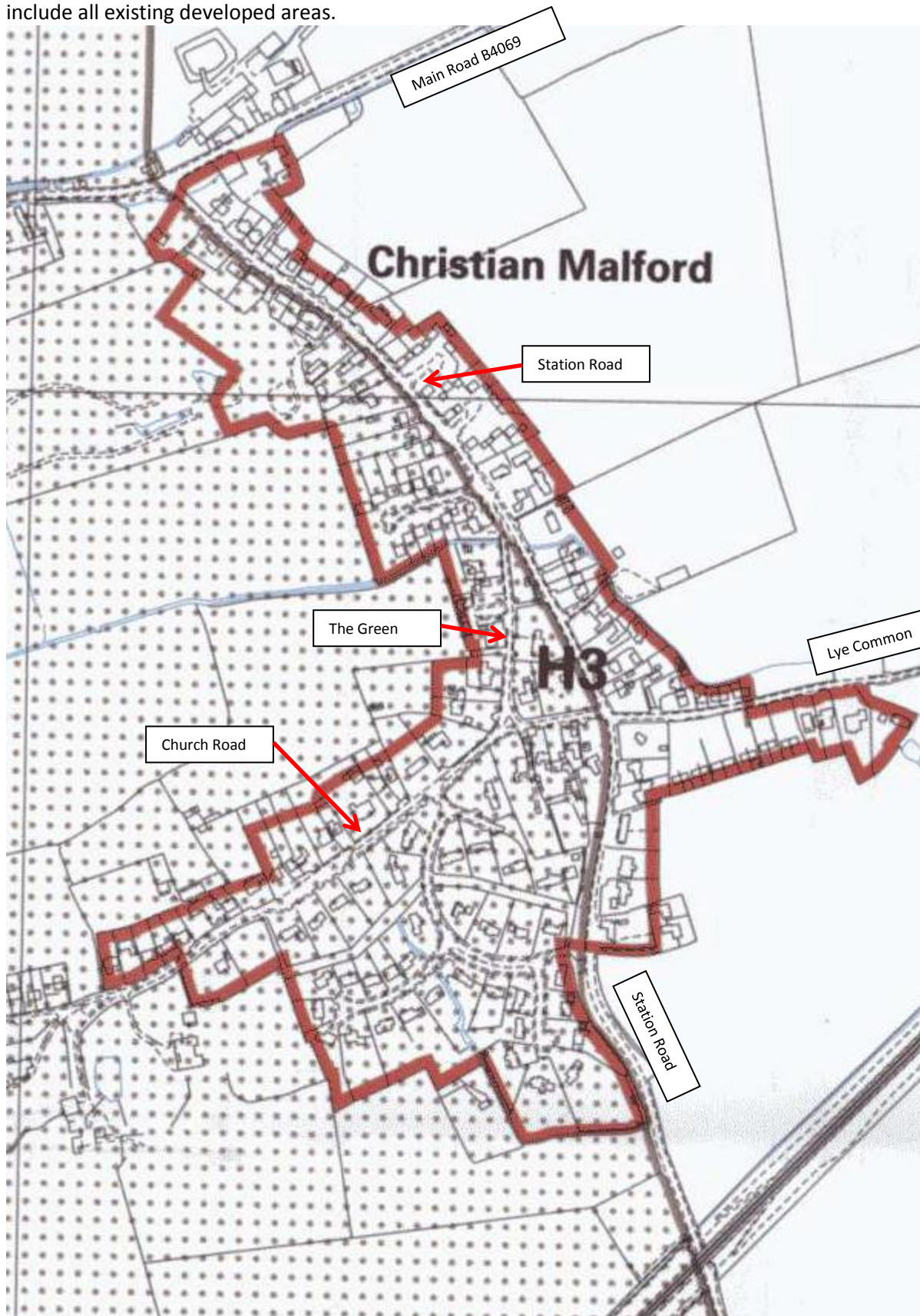
2 maps are shown below (Pages 5 and 6):

Indicate on either map up to 3 sites that you consider would be the best locations for additional housing.

MAP 1 shows Christian Malford Parish – the red line shows the Parish boundary



MAP 2 shows Christian Malford Village - the red line indicates the current Settlement Policy Area (SPA) for Christian Malford. The SPA is used in local plans to define the areas within which development is accepted in principle, including infilling, redevelopment and conversion. It does not include all existing developed areas.



Mark your most preferred site with an 'A' and continue on with a 'B' and 'C' if you wish.
 We would appreciate if you could provide your reasons behind these selections:

Site eg 'A'	Reason why this site is suitable?

Comments:

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7) Plans to re-generate the village hall are being developed separately. However it would be useful to identify your preferred location. Please mark your preference with an 'X'

Industry

8) Do you think land should be reserved for businesses suited to Christian Malford's rural environment, to encourage local employment opportunities?

[Please tick] Yes: No:

9) What types of industry would you encourage in Christian Malford?

Please tick relevant box for each line	Not Suitable 1	2	3	4	Most Suitable 5
Additional retail facilities					
Warehousing and distribution					
Manufacturing					
Offices					
Energy generation					
Others					

Comments:

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Finally

10) Is there anything not covered above that you think should be covered by the Neighbourhood Plan?

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Demographics (Optional Section)

We would very much appreciate it if you could complete the following demographic questions. This information will demonstrate that we have gained the views of a cross section of the population, but it will not be used as part of the decision making process for the Neighbourhood Plan.

What is the postcode?	S	N	1	5			
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Please enter the number of people in your household by age group	Under 18	18-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61-70	Over 70

For more information in general on Neighbourhood Plans please see the following websites:

- <http://www.cpre.org.uk> (search site for “Neighbourhood Plan”)
- <http://locality.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/Quick-Guide.pdf>
- <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planninganddevelopment/planningpolicy/neighbourhoodplanning.htm>

Please complete the questionnaire by 18th July and return to one of:
The Village Shop - Station Road, Christian Malford
Alison Cross –Yew Tree Cottage, Station Road, Christian Malford
Kevin Watson - Wayside, The Green, Christian Malford
Iain Le Duc – 33 Lime Trees, Christian Malford



Alternatively a door to door collection will be arranged for week commencing 21 July. Your contribution is highly valued and very important – please make every effort to respond. Thank you very much for your assistance and contribution.

Christian Malford Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group