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Policy ATC1 - Ashbourne Town Centre

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Q4

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5.44 onwards

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Have comments

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Q6

Please give details of your reasons for support/objection, or make other comments here:

This needs updating. At the time of writing this document Ashbourne did have thriving shops, however over the last 12 to 18 months that has gone. It is now dying. Too many small independent shops that haven't got the revenue or backing to succeed. We need a mix of quality chain restaurants with affordable prices for local people, rather than overpriced vanity projects. We need a mix of high street clothing as well as our excellent small clothing shops, again to stop local people shopping in Derby, Leek or Uttoxeter. How many barber shops can one town sustain? How many expensive restaurants? The town is empty of an evening as people can't afford the prices and tourists don't stay either as its too expensive. This plan was of a time, the town is now in deep trouble and a radical rethink is necessary.

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Vision & Aims

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Have comments

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I have now lived in Ashbourne for 20 years and seen a real decline in the town. Road and parking infrastructure has seen no significant changes despite a massive increase in housing. The growth of new estates has been poorly managed by town councillors, the district council planning department and wider councillors who form the planning committee

The views of locals have not been listened to and we now have huge estates on the outskirts of Ashbourne which are unsustainable and have limited affordable housing to buy and rent. Despite these estates being a long way from the centre of town pedestrian shortcuts have not been considered along with cycle lanes to link with other estates and the town centre

The town centre now has too many shops which have closed and this is caused by the out-of-town shopping centres which councillors gave planning permission for. This was a real mistake

The town does not feel vibrant and the Council needs to support local businesses and community services. If town councillors continue to make poor decisions then Ashbourne will not prosper.

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Policy EMP1 - Ashbourne Airfield

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Object

Q6

Please give details of your reasons for support/objection, or make other comments here:

I strongly object to the continuing development of the airfield, specifically building houses on green fields, extending down to Bradley Wood. The town is being changed out of all recognition. I agree affordable housing needs to be provided for local young people but building should take place on brownfield land. It seems to most people in Ashbourne that this is about profit, and not the best interests of preserving the nature of the town. Many of the homes that have been built recently are very expensive and beyond the reach of local people. I don't think that any one who genuinely cares about Ashbourne would want the green fields down to Bradley Wood building upon. I think Ashbourne Town council are doing their very best and reflecting the will of the people of Ashbourne in their plan, and this development is being forced upon the town by Derbyshire Dales district council as part of meeting house building requirement quotas. It appears that Ashbourne is being disproportionately singled out for mass house building. Our town is already adversely affected by heavy traffic and therefore pollution, thus spoiling the ambience of the town, and this is going to make the problem worse still. It is good that people in Ashbourne are consulted, but if their opinions are ignored continually then it is merely a meaningless formality. In the past five years many green fields surrounding Ashbourne have already been built on, and the town extended greatly, I can only wonder what damage this does to the environment etc.

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Policy COM1 - Community Facilities

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Have comments

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Please give details of your reasons for support/objection, or make other comments here:

The bike hub is a creative idea & I hope it's successful

With all these extra houses being built and schools being expanded, where are the plans for child based and family based leisure facilities

So many families go to derby for cinema or roller world or Uttoxeter for bowling or cinema or evening Matlock park to row boats and cafe in the park.

We desperately need a reason for resident families and visitor families to COME to Ashbourne or stay in Ashbourne that isn't just luxurious shopping or a quick cafe pit stop. Give people a reason to spend a whole day in town, more time in between activities to spend their money

Improve Ashbourne park even the addition of an ice cream & coffee hut would be welcomed.

Please please please listen to residents over the parking issue - marks and Spencer were allowed to come to Ashbourne, now due to parking attendants in the town centre it's a nuisance to risk a ticket for a pint of milk or a piece of cheese and so much easier to pop to the supermarket rather than using our lovely independent delis

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Policy ATC1 - Ashbourne Town Centre

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The idea of creating a cycling hub in Ashbourne is excellent, especially if infrastructure development focuses on providing cyclists safe transfer around the town centre and to the Tissington Trail. This would create jobs and increase tourism.

The overall aim of making Ashbourne pedestrian centred is also hugely welcome and needed. I have recently written to DDC and Sarah Dines on this matter, highlighting the need for urgent improvements on Derby Road and St John's Street in particular. A bypass may be a way off but in the near term, much can be done to force the HGVs to drive more carefully through town and so improve pedestrian safety.

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Policy HOU1 - Housing Mix

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Please state the page and paragraph number (if applicable)

page 55, paragraph 5.61

Q5

Object

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Please give details of your reasons for support/objection, or make other comments here:

We wish to object to Policy HOU1 - Housing Mix.

The Ashbourne Housing Needs Assessment (included in the evidence document supporting the Neighbourhood Plan) indicates that, based on Census data for Ashbourne, there will be demand for housing suitable for older people into the future. It is acknowledged that 'the choice of housing for older people needs to increase in the future in line with expected demographic changes. (...) and there will also need to be opportunities for specialist and extra care housing' (Table 20, p.260).

Notwithstanding this acknowledgement in the neighbourhood plan evidence base, there is no specific reference to such housing in Policy HOU1. Given the identified need, it would be appropriate for the policy to make provision for specialist and extra care housing to be brought forward on sites within or adjoining Ashbourne's settlement boundaries, where there is a proven and unmet local need.

Therefore, we believe that Policy HOU1 should be amended to read:

'Housing scheme must provide a mix of housing types and tenures that meet local housing needs, including starter homes, accommodation for older people and homes for downsizing'.

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- Basic condition d (achievement of sustainable development): addressing identified local housing needs contribute to the achievement of sustainable development
- Basic condition e (conformity with the strategic policies contained in the development plan): meeting the housing needs of all sectors of the community by providing a range and choice of housing is strategic objective of the Council.

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Vision & Aims

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Please give details of your reasons for support/objection, or make other comments here:

I believe that the overall plan is majorly outdated and certain pieces of information published within the plan are contradictory; with preliminary research dating back to 2014, the overall lifetime of this plan is 19 years. I understand that a plan like this, as stated in the Introduction & Context section, is required to illustrate the direction in which the council wishes to take the town, however 16 years of predictions, hopes and beliefs is borderline unproductive. What would be considerably more beneficial to the community and local businesses, in particular, would be a plan which has objectives which are then confined to time frames, which could then be re-examined, refined and re-thought when necessary and continuously.

The report states several ambitions for what the town will be like in 2033 but fails to pinpoint exactly how this will be executed, subsequently suggesting that improvements/changes will fail to materialize until the year 2033.

3.2 Ashbourne's Strengths; I would argue the wording on 'a superb range of independent, high-quality shops' is now outdated, with a rewording along the lines of - 'Superb independent retail and hospitality, which is varied but not extensive'.

The report holds onto various aspects such as Ashbourne Royal Shrovetide Football and the ever-failing market as a lifeline for the town, failing to illustrate that Ashbourne can expand itself and its inhabitants both culturally and traditionally, forming new traditions and events which will further entice tourists but most importantly give residents a feeling of pride for their town; an aspect which is substantially overlooked within the plan.

The word 'Bypass' is glorified throughout the plan of the saviour within the town, it is heavily suggested that if the Bypass is funded then the majority of problems within Ashbourne will be solved, unfortunately this is far from the case. Continuous traffic management is necessary in order to create a smooth traffic flow within the town and surrounding areas, whilst if the construction of the Bypass is permitted the town itself will have to try even harder to make the stop worthwhile. The construction of the bypass would, of course, have to be built without infiltrating any 'green zones' in order for the objectives of the plan to be met accordingly. Over the last 5 years, high streets across the UK have taken a dive, due to the increasingly popular e-commerce option, in section 5 it is highlighted that the "core retail leisure" must 'be protected and enhanced'. It will be interesting to see how this could be resurrected by 2033 as in 2020, the state of core retail, leisure both recreational and commercial is lacklustre, to say the least. With several shops standing empty, with little to no plans for these shops to be filled to create an interesting and worth-while highstreet which Ashbourne was once renowned for.

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Vision & Aims

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Support

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Please give details of your reasons for support/objection, or make other comments here:

On behalf of Ashbourne Methodist Church (AMC) I want to express support for the wonderful and inspiring Vision and Aims of the Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan and also to offer our support in tackling some of the issues identified in the SWOT analysis. At AMC we have been working on our Link Development Project for 5 years now. Working with Allan Joyce Architects and in extensive consultation with the national Methodist Church Conservation Officer and Trustees, with various heritage, environmental and other consultees and through the Pre-App process with DDDC Planners and the Environment Agency we now have a scheme which is ready to be submitted as a Planning Application. We have also confirmed with Planning Consultants that, in their view, the scheme is well fitted to support the Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan.

As you know AMC is at the junction of Church Street and Station Road and comprises the church itself, Century Hall (with a further hall and accommodation underneath) and Cornerstone Cafe. Parts of the premises are listed, and the site is inside the conservation area. AMC propose to extend and remodel the church and attached hall to make them fit for the 21st Century, enabling a wide range of uses and community activities. Land to the rear of the church is to be redeveloped for housing to help fund the project. The whole scheme has been the subject of extensive pre-application discussion with DDDC Planners and has been amended to reflect the advice received.

The final scheme involves the sensitive insertion of new development in underused (and less attractive) areas within the grounds of the church. This will enable physical restoration of the church, hall and cornerstone cafe (including enhancing heritage features in the church), enabling the long-term use and maintenance of these buildings for the future. Adaptations are needed in order to provide level street access and a single primary point of entry from which different parts of the buildings can be easily accessed (including via lift and safe internal stairs). This is also safer from crime, safeguarding and Covid 19 prevention perspectives. The scheme will also provide flexible spaces and seating, better toilets and kitchens, resolve heating and ventilation issues, provide a mixture of smaller and medium sized rooms and also larger spaces for a greater range of community activities to take place. This will enhance its current significant use as a valued community asset which is used by a wide range of community groups, regardless of religious (or any) belief.

Continued maintenance and use of the AMC buildings will enhance the vibrancy of the town centre. We think it will be the largest public venue in town and can provide a service for concerts, performances and other public or private events with a variety of flexible spaces and seating. This will support the social health and vitality of the community and support the need to provide facilities to cater for the housing growth in the town. We plan to become a 7-day a week community centre providing a safe, welcoming, comfortable and flexible community asset.

Regarding the housing this is sensitively designed to subservient to the surrounding buildings and to provide smaller, low-maintenance apartments in a highly sustainable, brown field and town centre location.

We have previously presented to the Ashbourne Town Council Planning Meeting who have kindly been very warm and supportive of our proposals.

I just wanted to take this chance to offer our support for the Ashbourne Neighbourhood Plan and to both flag-up and commend our AMC Link Project as supportive to the Community objectives of the Plan.

Tony Walker, 25th September 2020

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Implementation & Community Action

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Page 73. Sections 6.7 to 6.10

Q5

Support

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Please give details of your reasons for support/objection, or make other comments here:

On behalf of Ashbourne Cycling Club, we welcome the proposals within the Neighbourhood Plan for a Town Centre Cycling Hub, and the aim to provide safe cycling links between the Tissington Trail and the High Peak Trail to the east and the Staffordshire cycle network to the west.

Please also note that the version of the Plan published on the Ashbourne Town Council website differs significantly from the one on the DDDC website. There is no indication which is the correct and up to date version. I have assumed that the DDDC is the correct one.

Please contact me if this is incorrect.

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Vision & Aims

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Object

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