

HAVE YOUR SAY!



Neighbourhood Plan Benefits and Disadvantages

Benefits	Disadvantages
Local vision can become planning policy	WILL NOT prevent development of sites in Local Plan
More say over location and design of new development	WILL NOT prevent windfall development
Protection of open spaces and architectural assets	Significant time, effort and council tax cost
Can call for improved facilities and infrastructure	Potential high costs: probably a minimum of £20K; Government grant of £9K: ABC pays independent exam. and referendum
Strengthens community	Time: probably a minimum of 2 years' work
Can promote renewable energy and conservation	Risk: it might fail at examination stage; It might fail at referendum
May promote more development than Local Plan (if wished)	Cannot conflict with the Local Plan or NPPF

Without a Neighbourhood Plan

Much community time, effort and cost can be saved	Parishes do not have a publicly agreed stance on development
Time and effort can be devoted to acting upon real live planning applications	New residents may query why there is no Neighbourhood Plan
Avoids frustration of Neighbourhood Plan failing or proving ineffective	Would miss out on 25% "CIL" uplift associated with existence of Neighbourhood Plan

'Local Plan', etc: please see **Glossary** sheet

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