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Meeting Communication

## Help Plan the Future of Your Neighbourhood

Sowerby Neighbourhood Forum are working towards a Neighbourhood Plan for our area. This is a great opportunity to tell us your aspirations for Sowerby and help positively shape the future of your community.

You are invited to a drop-in session to discuss how you would like to see the area develop in the future and tell us what your priorities are.

This workshop is open to all.

Some of the issues to be discussed are **housing, green spaces, heritage, traffic and parking, employment, design, and community facilities.**

**Saturday 24th February**  
**10am - 1pm**  
**St. Peter's Community Centre**

Fill out the survey or find out more at:

[www.sowerbynp.co.uk](http://www.sowerbynp.co.uk)

or on the Sowerby Residents' Facebook page





**Sowerby Neighbourhood Plan**

**Initial Consultation and**  
**Housing Needs Assessment**  
**Results**

You can read the documents online at  
**[sowerbypn.co.uk](http://sowerbypn.co.uk)**

Alternatively hard copies are held at

Sowerby Village Store  
Towngate Groceries  
St Peter's Community Centre  
Sowerby Bridge Library





# SOWERBY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

## SOWERBY NEIGHBOURHOOD DRAFT PLAN

The small but happily dedicated volunteers that make up the Sowerby Neighbourhood Plan Forum announce that the Neighbourhood Plan is one step closer to completion. The Plan will be a formal document held by the Council Planning Office to judge the acceptability of planning proposals within the Sowerby Neighbourhood.

Residents of the Sowerby Neighbourhood, including; Newlands, Beechwood, Flower Banks, Sowerby Village as well as the out-lying farms are invited to come along to read and review the proposal on the 15th December. At the session, draft copies will be available as well as copies of supporting reports. Anyone who attends will be entered in to a free Christmas prize draw. The drop-in session will be on **Saturday 15th December 10am - 1pm** at St Peter's Community Centre, the community café will also be open.



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## COMMUNITY OPEN DAY DROP IN SESSION

**Saturday 15th Dec 10am - 1pm**  
**St. Peters Community Centre**

Come and share your views on the draft  
Sowerby Neighbourhood Plan.

Residents submitting opinions will be entered  
into our free prize draw for a Christmas hamper.

The draft plan is also available for comment  
at [www.sowerbypn.co.uk](http://www.sowerbypn.co.uk) until 27 Jan 19



**SOWERBY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - COMMUNITY SURVEY**

1. What is your favourite thing about Sowerby?
2. What is your least favourite thing about Sowerby?
3. Are there any community services or facilities that are needed locally? *(For example: Community centre, play areas, sport and recreation facilities, health facilities)*
4. What issues should the Neighbourhood Plan address? *(Pick the 3 most important to you)*
  - a. New housing design      b. The type of new housing needed (tenure, number of bedrooms)
  - c. Local Green Spaces      d. Flood and water management      e. Natural environment      f. Community facilities
  - g. Local economic development      h. Traffic, parking and congestion      i. Heritage and conservation
5. What principles should influence the design of new homes? *(Pick the 3 most important)*
  - a. Accessibility for users challenged with mobility      b. Design that reflects the local character      c. Energy efficient and sustainable construction
  - d. Off-street parking      e. Spacious rooms      f. Include a spare room for home-working
  - g. Green spaces and recreational spaces      h. Sustainable urban drainage and flood mitigation
6. What, if anything, worries you about new housing development in Sowerby? *(Pick 3)*
  - a. Impact on traffic and congestion      b. Loss of green space      c. Development which is unsympathetic to Sowerby
  - d. Affordability of new housing      e. Not building houses to meet local needs
  - f. Strain on local infrastructure and services      g. Loss of views / vistas
7. Are there any groups of people you feel lack local services or provisions?
8. Do you have any concerns about the future of Sowerby?
9. What would you like Sowerby to be like in 15 years?
10. How many vehicles does your household have access to? 0 1 2 3 4+
11. Where do you mainly park your vehicles?
  - a. Driveway / garage      b. On-street      c. Off-street other (car park, parking bays)
12. What is your age group? 0-18 18-30 31-45 46-65 66+
13. What is your interest in Sowerby?
  - a. Live in Sowerby      b. Work in Sowerby      c. Use services or facilities in Sowerby      d. Other
14. How long have you lived / worked in Sowerby?
15. What is your postcode?
16. Do you or does anyone in your household consider themselves to have a disability? Y/N



Which areas of Sowerby would you like to see preserved? Please tick the ones you would support and feel free to add your own at the bottom.

Name:

Postcode:

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| Our Green Lanes                                   |  |
| Hubberton                                         |  |
| Barton                                            |  |
| Rawson Wood                                       |  |
| St Peter's Court                                  |  |
| Beechwood Play Park                               |  |
| The Wall Troughs                                  |  |
| The water fountain in the wall opposite the shops |  |
| St Peter's Community Centre                       |  |
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## **School Questionnaire**

1. How many students do you have at the school?
2. How many staff do you have at the school?
3. How many of your students live in the Sowerby area?
4. How many of your staff live in the Sowerby area?
5. How many of your student walk/ cycle/ bus to school rather than be dropped off by car?
6. How many of your staff walk/ cycle/ bus to school rather than be dropped off by car?
7. Is there anything that could be done to encourage your staff/ student to use green transport?
8. Primary schools: Which senior school(s) take most of your students? (If you have a break down by numbers that would helpful.)
9. Senior schools: Which primary school(s) provide most of your students? (If you have a break down by numbers that would helpful.)
10. Is there anything missing in Sowerby that would be beneficial to the school/ students?

## Business Questionnaire

1. How would you describe your business? Manufacturing/ retail/ administration/ building work/ trade e.g plumbers, electricians/ personal service/ cleaners/ other
2. Why did you set up in Sowerby?
3. How many people does your business employ? 1/ 2/ 3/ 4/ 5+
4. How many of your staff live in the Sowerby area?
5. How many of your staff walk/ cycle/ bus to school rather than be dropped off by car?
6. Is there anything that could be done to encourage your staff to use green transport?
7. Does your business have a transport fleet? Y/ N
8. How often does your business drive through Sowerby? Once a week/ several times a week/ once a day/ several times a day/ more often?
9. How do your customers access you? Website/ telephone/ in person
10. Where are your customers based? Within Calderdale/ within Yorkshire/ within the UK/ worldwide
11. Is there anything missing in Sowerby that would be beneficial to you as a business?

