

# Barrowford Neighbourhood Plan

## Barrowford Neighbourhood Area Designation Consultation

### Consultation Comments

Comment ID	Representor ID	Organisation / Representor	Comments	Officer / Council Response
C001	327620	Sport England Ms Zoe Hughes	<p>Thank you for consulting Sport England on the above Neighbourhood Consultation.</p> <p>Planning Policy in the <b>National Planning Policy Framework</b> identifies how the planning system can play an important role in facilitating social interaction and creating healthy, inclusive communities. Encouraging communities to become more physically active through walking, cycling, informal recreation and formal sport plays an important part in this process and providing enough sports facilities of the right quality and type and in the right places is vital to achieving this aim. This means positive planning for sport, protection from unnecessary loss of sports facilities and an integrated approach to providing new housing and employment land and community facilities provision is important.</p> <p>It is important therefore that the Neighbourhood Plan reflects national policy for sport as set out in the above document with particular reference to Pars 73 and 74 to ensure proposals comply with National Planning Policy. It is also important to be aware of Sport England’s role in protecting playing fields and the presumption against the loss of playing fields (see link below), as set out in our national guide, ‘<b>A Sporting Future for the Playing Fields of England – Planning Policy Statement</b>’.  <a href="http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/planning-for-sport/development-management/planning-applications/playing-field-land/">http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/planning-for-sport/development-management/planning-applications/playing-field-land/</a></p> <p>Sport England provides guidance on developing policy for sport and further information can be found following the link below:  <a href="http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/planning-for-sport/forward-planning/">http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/planning-for-sport/forward-planning/</a></p> <p>Sport England works with Local Authorities to ensure Local Plan policy is underpinned by robust and up to date assessments and strategies for indoor and outdoor sports delivery. If local authorities have prepared a Playing Pitch Strategy or other indoor/outdoor sports strategy it will be important that the Neighbourhood Plan reflects the recommendations set out in that document and that any local investment opportunities, such as the Community Infrastructure Levy, are utilised to support the delivery of those recommendations.  <a href="http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/planning-for-sport/planning-tools-and-guidance/">http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/planning-for-sport/planning-tools-and-guidance/</a></p> <p>If new sports facilities are being proposed Sport England recommend you ensure such facilities are fit for purpose and designed in accordance with our design guidance notes.  <a href="http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/tools-guidance/design-and-cost-guidance/">http://www.sportengland.org/facilities-planning/tools-guidance/design-and-cost-guidance/</a></p>	No specific comment made relating to the designation of the neighbourhood area.

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C002	847067	Mr & Mrs Jeff & Jacquie Noon	<p>We would like to confirm our full support for the Barrowford local parish council proposals.</p> <p>It is far better that local people decide what is right for their community rather than some profit motivated faceless company who have no regard for the quality of life in the community.</p>	Support for the proposed neighbourhood area and preparation of a neighbourhood plan for Barrowford.
C003	379128	Mr Ian Helvensteyn Ms Janice Watson	<p>We wish to support the above application by Barrowford Parish Council to establish a local plan for Barrowford. As a locally elected organisation, the parish council is a relevant body under the legislation to consult with local people and take forward their views in order to shape future development in a way that is appropriate for the area. As the issues to be considered within the neighbourhood plan relate to the whole of Barrowford, it is right that the area proposed corresponds to the parish council boundary.</p>	Support for the proposed neighbourhood area and preparation of a neighbourhood plan for Barrowford.
C004	327423	United Utilities Ms Rebecca Pemberton	<p>Thank you for your email notifying us of the intention to designate the above as a Neighbourhood Area.</p> <p>United Utilities does not wish to submit any formal comments at this stage, however wish to be kept informed and consulted with further should this designation be approved.</p> <p>It is important that United Utilities are kept aware of any future development plans and supporting policies to ensure we can facilitate the delivery of the necessary sustainable infrastructure at an appropriate time. Therefore we encourage further consultation with us once a draft Neighbourhood Plan is commenced as we may submit detailed comments at the Draft Plan public consultation stage.</p>	Comment noted. It will be important to engage with the relevant infrastructure providers during the preparation of the neighbourhood plan.
C005	817848	Ms Susan Sunderland	<p>I am writing in support of the application by Barrowford Parish Council for the designation of a Neighbourhood Plan Area. It makes sense for the proposed plan area to coincide with the boundaries of Barrowford Parish and for the neighbourhood planning body to be Barrowford Parish Council.</p> <p>Some years ago the Barrowford Parish Council worked on a Parish Plan which was a useful exercise to engage local people. The Parish Plan highlighted the concerns and ideas of the residents of Barrowford about their local community. For example the need for a community centre was put forward in the Parish Plan and the Parish Council has been able to secure Holmefield House for this purpose.</p> <p>New housing developments, such as the one proposed by Peel Holdings, will have a massive impact on the residents of Barrowford. I feel that local people should have a say in such planning applications and a Neighbourhood Plan would help identify the needs of the community, for instance for more affordable housing and more suitable accommodation for older residents.</p> <p>I hope the application by Barrowford Parish Council is successful. I would be grateful if you could keep me informed of developments.</p>	Support for the proposed neighbourhood area and preparation of a neighbourhood plan for Barrowford.