

# What do you think of our policies?

The **Clifford Neighbourhood Planning Community Group** have been working hard over the two years since we sent out a the last questionnaire. A third of all households filled-in and returned that questionnaire –a real show of interest in the future of Clifford parish.

Through the **questionnaire in 2012** and the **open days in 2012 and 2013**, we gained a good understanding of what really matters to parishioners about the parish. We've put a lot of work into designing realistic and achievable policies which should help to see the future of Clifford parish turn out in the way that parishioners want it to be.

The **Clifford Neighbourhood Plan** will be put to a referendum next year. If parishioners vote to adopt the plan, it will become a **legally binding document**. The **Clifford Neighbourhood Plan** would add to other local planning conditions, and developers would have to abide by it. We felt that it is only right to ask what you think about the proposed polices – even before the referendum – so that you can influence what goes into the final plan.

**Thank you for helping to shape the Clifford Neighbourhood Plan.**

**WE PROMISE**  
**that all your responses will be kept completely anonymous.**

- Please take a few minutes to complete this questionnaire.
- **Please return your completed questionnaire by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2014 to any one of the addresses listed on the back page.**
- More background information is available at <http://www.clifford-pc.org.uk/neighbourhood-plan>
- Please contact 845985 or 842415 if you require assistance with completing the questionnaire.

**REMEMBER** that the Clifford Neighbourhood Plan will apply to the **whole** of the parish of Clifford – **not just the village of Clifford**. This means that its policies will apply to areas including Bramham Primary, St John's and Boston Spa schools. **If a copy of this questionnaire has been delivered to you home, then you are a Clifford parishioner.**

## policy CNP1 : PROTECT & ENHANCE GREEN SPACES

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Feedback from parishioners show that green spaces within the parish are very important and highly valued. We know that some new development is inevitable, but we're aiming to ensure that it has a minimal impact on existing green spaces and views.

Please rate each site's importance to you by placing a ✓ in the appropriate box where 1 = not important, 7 = very important or 0 = no opinion

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	0
a). Millennium Park (behind the village hall)								
b). Northways playing field & woodland walk								
c). mill pond area								
d). former Springfield park (area between Lea Croft and Bramham Rd.								
e). St Edward's Wood (behind St Edward's)								
f). village green (between Clifford Moor Rd and Willow Lane)								
g). green space between Boston Spa and the village of Clifford								
h). green space between Bramham and the village of Clifford								

date for your diary

## OPEN DAY

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October**

**11an – 3pm**

**Clifford Village Hall**

- ⚙ Find out more about how and why the proposed policies were developed.
- ⚙ Take the opportunity to tell us your views on these policies in more detail.
- ⚙ Find out what happens next.





## CONTINGENCIES FOR St JOHN'S SCHOOL

The arrival of St John's Catholic School for the Deaf in 1870 had a major impact on life in the parish of Clifford. Over the last 140 years or so, both staff and pupils have been significantly involved in the parish community through close connections with St. Edward's church – and St John's staff were instrumental in organising the finances for the War Memorial in the 1920's. The St John's site is one of the largest in the parish – not just the school, but the fields surrounding it. The Clifford Neighbourhood Plan is set to last for 15 years. No one knows for certain what could happen in that time. We felt it only right that we should consider contingency options for such a significant area as St John's. There is no assumption that St John's will cease to be as it is – but we need to lay plans just in case things do change at any time before 2030.

Please rate your support for some options on what should happen in the event that things do change for the St John's site before 2030 by placing a "✓" in the appropriate box where 1 = strongly oppose, 7 = fully support, "0" = no opinion

	strongly oppose	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	fully support	0
a). stay as a school										
b). keep heritage buildings										
c). keep fields as green space (between Boston and Clifford)										
d). allow housing development on currently built area										
e). allow small business units on currently built area										

- Please return your completed questionnaire to any one of the addresses listed below by **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September.**
- Midway, St Johns Road
  - The White House, 9 High Street
    - 8 Springfield
    - 12 Chapel Lane
    - 24 Albion Street
  - 10 Bellwood Avenue
    - 8 Bridge Garth

The **Clifford Neighbourhood Plan** will play a major part in making sure that the future of the parish is how you would like it to be.

**Thank you for taking the time to help shape that future.**

**join us for the 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
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In the meantime, please feel free to use the space below to give us any immediate comments you may wish to make.

**YOUR RESPONSES WILL REMAIN COMPLETELY ANONYMOUS**