

This is a personal invitation to all parishioners to contribute to the development of the NDP, which will help shape the future of our community. All individual comments are important and welcome.

The Steering Group is grateful to those who responded to the previous letter in October of last year. Since then, despite the necessary restrictions in response to the pandemic, the Steering Group has continued to meet by 'Zoom', to work individually on specific aspects of the NDP, to take advice from our professional consultant, and to liaise with the Parish Council.

As a result of this work, various policies are nearing completion, and we are getting closer to having a document ready for consultation. Normally at this stage, we would be holding coffee mornings, drop-in sessions and other outreach events around the parish to gain further insights and gather more evidence to support the policies. Sadly, we can't do this, so this second parish mailing is to bring everyone up to speed and invite further comment. We also have a new public Facebook account, on which we welcome comments and questions:

[Morval Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan](#)

The NDP will finally be scrutinised by Cornwall Council and independent inspectors to ensure that it is specific to our area, is not at odds with the Cornwall Local Plan (CLP), and meets various other requirements. With these requirements in mind, the Vision and Objectives have been revised in line with the priorities and structure of the CLP.

Would you like to join the NDP Steering Group? We are a friendly group of residents who work well together and are committed to doing all we can to safeguard a happy future for this community. If you would like to contribute to developing the NDP by joining the group, please get in touch.

## THE VISION FOR MORVAL

We wish to safeguard the quiet, rural character of the area, whilst providing opportunities that ensure our community is resilient to climate change and that both young and old residents can remain living and working in the parish.

### MORVAL NDP: OBJECTIVES

#### Environment and Heritage Objective

To sustain the high quality of our natural and man-made environment, including respecting the Area of Great Landscape Value which covers the parish, and incorporating renewable energy solutions and ecological considerations into any new development;

#### Economy and Employment Objective

To support job creation through encouragement of appropriate development, whilst maintaining the characteristics of the area through appropriate building design and scale. The use of high quality locally sourced materials will be supported;

#### Housing Objective

To promote provision of housing suited to the needs of our community whilst maintaining the characteristics of the area through appropriate building design and scale. The use of high quality locally sourced materials will be supported;

#### Transport and Accessibility Objective

To promote new pathways and traffic calming within the Parish.

#### What we can do

The NDP, once adopted, will provide robust guidance on what will and will not be supported in future planning proposals in the parish. It will be an important document that helps shape the future of our community.

#### What we can't do

NDP policies cannot be applied retrospectively to developments already underway. The Steering Group does, however, pass parishioners' concerns to the Parish Council, and strives to prevent repeats of current issues

NDP policies are essentially to do with planning. Some ideas have been raised that can't be addressed in terms of planning guidelines, but they are still taken seriously. It is the intention of the Steering Group to include future projects as appendices to the main NDP document.

### Policy areas that need more evidence from parishioners

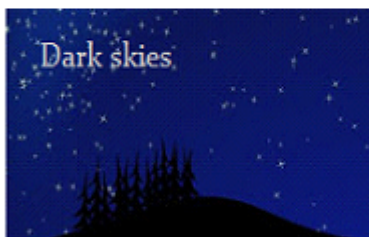
In order to create policies that truly reflect the views of residents, we need to ensure that they have sufficient support. Some policy areas have been raised by some people, but need further support if they are to be included in the document.

#### **Public Transport**

The scarcity of public transport through the parish is a concern that has been raised by a number of residents. It is hard to address this as a planning issue, but it could form a future project associated with the NDP.



**Please get in touch if you have any thoughts on this, for instance, if you would use bus routes and links to local towns if they were more readily available, which routes would be most useful, if you would support a community bus etc.**



Dark skies

Morval parish is peripheral to the Bodmin Moor area which was accorded International Dark Sky Landscape designation in 2018, and can therefore choose to subscribe to its conditions (shielded security lighting, limited street lighting etc). The vast majority of respondents to the detailed questionnaire last year expressed the need to protect the quiet rural nature of the parish, and some specifically mentioned dark skies as a priority. **Please get in touch if this is important to you.**

#### **Trenode Field – a proposed ‘protected Green Space’**

The field between the A387 and Trenode School in Widegates is owned by the Parish Council. **Do you have any thoughts on**



**how this space could be used in the future for the benefit of parishioners?**

In order to move to the next stage of this project, the NDP Steering Group needs input from the community.

To comment on anything in this letter, or to raise any other NDP issues, please get in touch:

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or on paper to collection points at Tredinnick Farm Shop,

the box outside 32 Morview Road, Widegates,

and AHT Design, The Old Chapel, Widegates,

or by post to Channel View, Widegates, Looe, PL13 1QJ

**Responses please by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March ~ Thank you**

Please visit the parish website for more information: <https://morvalwidegates.weebly.com/morval-ndp.html>

## Neighbourhood Development Plan feedback

Please use this if you wish, or respond by email, Facebook or phone if you prefer

Your thoughts on the current Vision and Objectives

[we have been advised that these must express positive rather than negative intentions]

Your thoughts on Public Transport

Your thoughts on Dark Skies

Your thoughts on 'Trenode Field'

**PLEASE CONTINUE OVERLEAF WITH ANY OTHER COMMENTS YOU WISH TO ADD OR ISSUES YOU WISH TO RAISE**

Your name and contact details [Optional]