



**COPYTHORNE
PARISH COUNCIL**

Towards A Five Year Local Plan

**‘Working to Support
Developments in Our
Community’**

Drafting and Consultation

Why Should We Have a 5 Year Plan?

What Does a 5 Year Local Plan Look Like?

When Should We Create One?

How Do We Create One?

Why Should We Have a 5 Year Local Plan? (1)

**PLAN
AHEAD**

Why Should We Have a 5 Year Local Plan? (2)

Copythorne Parish Council (CPC) needs a 5 Year Plan to:

- Create priorities – short, medium long term
- Plan its finances - more than one year
- Consulting the community - priorities,
- Make realistic decisions for the longer term



What does a 5 Year Local Plan Look Like?



There is no set design for a 5 Year Local Plan

- We can choose how our Plan looks
- Vision, Aims, Objectives, Risks, Finances and Priorities
- Identify community needs - for example:
 - **Assets** – like the Playground
 - **Activities** – like the allocation of grants
 - **Services** – like the Lengthsman
- Identify how these will be consulted on / delivered / paid for

What does a 'Vision' Statement Have to Address



- What do we (all) want to achieve for our Parish?
- Where do we want it to be / look like in 5 years time?
- What do we need to do to improve our local environment?
- How can the Parish Council help to achieve these and assist with the sustainability of the Parish into the future?

Some 'Vision' Statement Suggestions

Copythorne Parish is a Community:

- where residents enjoy an excellent quality of life
- which is inclusive, vibrant and forward looking
- where people feel valued, connected and their needs are acknowledged
- where assets are protected and required new assets are developed
- where our countryside and access to it are safeguarded.
- which values its local economy and those that make it work.
- which welcomes visitors and helps them to enjoy their time here.
- where all our efforts are designed to both preserve and sensitively develop our environment to ensure the long-term Parish sustainability.

When Should We Create One?

This is the perfect time to commence preparation of a Plan:



- New Parish Council starts in May for a 4 year term
- Plan should be in place for September 2019
- Aid budget setting for 2020-2021 and onwards
- Time to work on longer term projects



Some ideas already raised:



- Telephone boxes promoting the Parish as a 'destination'?
- Greater profiling of the Parish to help local business?
- New Parish noticeboards – we have to do something?
- New village signage in the Parish – links to NP and Parish?
- Development of the Lengthsman role?



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So, What Happens Next?

Start of a Consultation Process

➤ Asking for your thoughts on community needs:

- Assets
- Activities
- Services

plus how you think the Parish Council can either do things itself or work with others

➤ Documents and questionnaire available on the web site – can be downloaded

➤ Feedback to your local Parish Councillor, the Clerk or via email ➤

Responses back by the 7th June 2019



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**Your Initial
Thoughts?**