

## Neighbourhood Plan report for Annual Parish Meeting 2022

During the past year the Steering Group consisting of residents and parish councillors has, with the help of a planning consultant, worked hard to shape the wishes of the community into a workable Neighbourhood Plan for the whole parish.

The emerging Pontesbury Parish Neighbourhood Plan gives its residents the opportunity to influence future development to a much greater extent than previously. Within the Parish is part of the Shropshire Hills AONB, conservation areas at Plealey and Habberley and many other unspoilt, tranquil and beautiful landscapes.

Working alongside the Revised Shropshire Local Plan the Neighbourhood Plan aims to safeguard the beauty and character of the Parish landscape and buildings as well as the opportunity to enjoy them.

Change and future development are inevitable but the scale location and character of these will be influenced by the Plan. Providing that proposed development contributes to beauty, Parish character, well-being and carbon reduction Pontesbury Neighbourhood Plan will support it. Hence the guiding principle of the Plan is BIMBY [ Beauty In My Back Yard ] not NIMBY [Not In My Back Yard ].

Key policies in the Plan relate to services, landscape, housing, movement, business and carbon reduction. Consultation on these policies takes place between 1st March and 12th April 2022. All residents and other interested parties are encouraged to respond to the draft Plan which will be issued with the March edition of the Pontesbury Newsletter. The full Plan may be consulted at [www.pontesburyneighbourhoodplan.org.uk](http://www.pontesburyneighbourhoodplan.org.uk)

Anyone who has not received a written copy of the draft summary may request one from [clerk@pontesburypc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@pontesburypc.org.uk)