

Neighbourhood Plan Update – September / October 2018

Views / Landscape Protection Policy

1. Work has been undertaken in response to BCKL&WN's Request for a map to assist interpretation / development control
2. Composite picture of protected views has been produced. This is based on 31 viewpoints on the public footpath network (including National Trail and new NCC Circular Walk) – all calculated from eye level (1.6m). Refinement is required but the map provides an idea of how this will work in practice.
3. This approach replaces the earlier draft policy which focused on a limited number of selected views towards St Mary's church, from Green Bank and towards marshes.
4. Areas shaded in red are visible from 1 or more of the points shown (church tower is visible from 28/31!)
5. **NB:** Most of the existing settlement is well-hidden from the footpaths – which is why they are so valued for their sense of peace & tranquillity (obvious with hindsight)
6. An important factor in this is the screening provided by the many mature trees and hedgerows in Holme – these are an important, distinguishing feature of the Parish and it is vital to conserve them.
7. ***New development should preserve the views and should be screened by the existing landscape features.***

