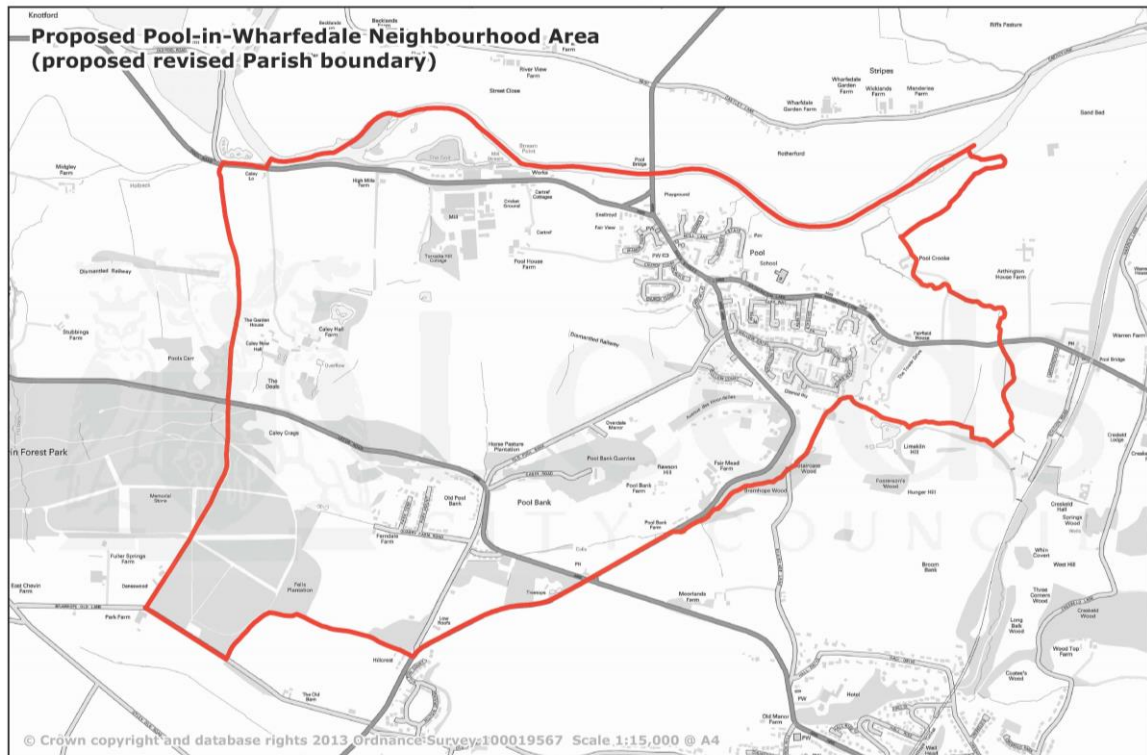


Pool-in-Wharfedale Neighbourhood Plan, January 2014

The civil Parish of Pool-in-Wharfedale (see below) has now been officially designated as a Neighbourhood Area for the purpose of producing a Neighbourhood Plan. The next step is to start creating that Plan.



The Plan will be a document that describes how the residents of Pool would like the community to develop. It is essential that we all get involved at some level. There are no preconceived ideas and everybody's views matter. No group or individual will be allowed to dominate the work.

The Plan will have a significant impact on the future of Pool. It is our chance to shape that future, rather than to have development imposed on us. The Plan will have legal status; any developer hoping to build here in the next couple of decades will be bound to take notice of the Plan. It will also give the community a greater share of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) than we would get without a Plan. Leeds City Council collects this CIL money through the planning process. The money is used to improve local amenities.

Before it can be adopted, the Plan will have to be approved by an independent inspector, followed by a community referendum. To be approved, it must show evidence of full community participation at every stage. The Parish Council is the legal body responsible for the Plan but will not influence it. Funding and professional support are available for Neighbourhood Planning.

These are the first things we need to do:

- Form a steering group to oversee the development of the Plan. This should include people from different groups, e.g. homeowners, tenants, business people, young people, pensioners, etc. *Please let us know if you are interested in joining the steering group.*
- Find out what is important to the people of Pool, now and in the future. *Please let us know what matters to you.*
- Collect your contact details so that we can keep you up to date. *Please give us your contact details. Evidence of age, gender and ethnicity would be helpful to ensure that we are reaching all sections of the community.*
- Find out what skills are available in the community to make the best possible use of local resources. Examples might include: publicity, mapping, graphics, photography, environmental assessment, data analysis, project management, planning, housing, highways, letters, etc. *If you have skills that you think might be useful, please tell us.*

To help you communicate with us, we have included a proforma. Please fill it in and send it to Councillor Joanna Rowling, 21A Manor Crescent, Pool-in-Wharfedale, LS21 1ND, or hand it in at the school or the Post Office.

These documents are also available on the Pool Parish Council website. Please feel free to email your responses to joannarowling@btinternet.com or to Jean Fisher poolfutureplan@btinternet.com You will need further copies of the proforma for other people living at your address. These can be photocopied, downloaded from the website or picked up at the Post Office.

Many thanks for your support,

Councillor Ailsa Bearpark
Mrs Jean Fisher
Councillor Joanna Rowling

on behalf of Pool-in-Wharfedale Parish Council.

For comprehensive information on Neighbourhood Planning, please visit www.locality.org.uk and also have a look at the Leeds City Council website.

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There are many issues that concern the people of Pool. The following have been mentioned. Please tick your concerns and add any we have missed.

Affordable housing		Business development	
Medical facilities		Education	
Public transport		Traffic management	
Open spaces		Burial grounds	
Paths/cycle tracks/bridleways		Allotments/gardens	
Play spaces		Shops/Post Office/banking	
Employment opportunities		Childcare	
Others:			

Please feel free to tell us more overleaf, although consultation will go on over a long period and you will have more opportunities. This is just a starting point.

Name:

Address:

Email address:

Telephone:

Approx age group:

Gender:

Ethnicity:

If you would like to be kept up to date, please tick this box

Please note: your details will only be used for Neighbourhood Planning consultation and not be shared with anybody else. Age, gender and ethnicity are to ensure that all groups are included. Please use the back of this form to tell us about your skills and/or whether you wish to join the steering group. Please return this to: Joanna Rowling, 21A Manor Crescent, Pool-in-Wharfedale, Otley, LS21 1ND. joannarowling@btinternet.com