

Carlton Parish Plan 2021

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The starting point for updating the Parish Plan is to look back over the ten years since the last Plan was published, to see what has been achieved.

To begin with, the Carlton Diamond Jubilee Orchard has been created, linking Barton Road to Nailstone Road with a safe footpath, and including a picnic table, seats and an equipped play area for toddlers. Oak trees have also been planted along local roads, to enhance the countryside setting of Carlton, absorb carbon and to provide shade as the climate warms.

The specific short-term objectives of the 2011 Parish Plan have largely been realised – the affordable housing project has been completed, improving Nailstone Road, regular coffee mornings are being held, local footpaths have been improved, and traffic speeds are being monitored. The pub and church have been supported, informal walking and cycling groups have been formed, several Facebook groups have been created and the Neighbourhood Watch scheme has been expanded. Local businesses have been supported, while ensuring that their activities will not affect their neighbours or intrude into open countryside.

The medium to long-term objectives included making improvements to the church building, currently a major project being brought forward by the Parochial Church Council, which will create a community hub and activity space, and help to ensure the long-term viability of this listed building. Other objectives have not been forgotten, and representations have been made and money set aside to bring schemes forward, if and when opportunities should arise.

It is now time to reassess our community, to decide what things are most important to us, and to look forward and generate proposals for making Carlton an even better place to live.

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