

A stylized illustration of a church with a cross on its roof, partially obscured by bare trees. The background is a light blue sky with white clouds. The church is rendered in a dark, textured style, and the trees are black and white line art.

We need your thoughts

We hope that you're aware that Bacton Parish Council is preparing a Neighbourhood Plan for the Parish.

When it's complete, it will be used when the District Council makes decisions on planning applications.

Before we finish writing the Plan, we need your views on two possible initiatives.

Bacton

Neighbourhood Plan

Update Drop-in Event
Saturday 27 September 10.00am to 2.00pm
at the Village Hall

Bacton Parish Council

New community facilities for Bacton

When we carried out a survey of residents in Spring 2024:

63% of responses said they would like more sports facilities

59% would like to see a new community centre

60% would like to see a new village hall

50% would like to see a new sports hall

We now have an opportunity to consider whether to take on two sites in the village to provide new community facilities and are consulting you for your views before we complete the draft Neighbourhood Plan.

This leaflet provides details of the two separate initiatives.

Site 1, at Bellway's Ivy Hill development, is a site reserved in the planning permission for a community hall.

Site 2, opposite the Wyverstone Road/Church Road junction, could be made available for sports and leisure facilities.



We'd like your feedback **BY 31st OCTOBER** on these two potential initiatives, as illustrated in this leaflet. The back page explains how you can respond.

Site 1 – Ivy Hill

The planning permission for Bellway's Ivy Hill development included the principle of providing a new community hall on the open space between Farrow Road and the railway line, as illustrated. The details were not part of the permission as it was anticipated the site would be made available to the Parish Council. A car park would also have to be provided to serve the hall and would not impact on the play area, which would be retained.

The proposal is in response to the findings of the Residents' Survey and we would like your feedback on community use of the site



Site 2 – opposite the Wyverstone Road/Church Road junction

The Parish Council has the opportunity to acquire this site for the development of a centre to accommodate sports and leisure facilities with multi-purpose studios, changing facilities, kitchen and a bar. This would be complemented by outdoor multi use games areas.

The proposal would be in response to the findings of the Residents' Survey and complement those already in Bacton.

We've received free support from a grant to consider how a facility might be accommodated on site. Two options are put forward for consideration, as Illustrated.

We'd like your feedback on the principle of using the site and the options.



Option 1

Sports and leisure centre located to south-east of the site to minimise conflicts with vehicles and ensure a more visually pleasant transition from the countryside to the south.

Multi-use space for outdoor sports and activities placed in the south-western corner to maintain long and unspoilt views across the surrounding countryside

Outside fitness area and multi-use games area placed centrally to benefit from overlooking from the other facilities on the site

Option 2

Sports and leisure centre located in the south-west corner of the site. This placement avoid obstructing sight lines towards the footpath that leads to the south-east of the site and reduces the potential for disturbance from the building to properties adjacent to the eastern boundary of the site.

Outside fitness area and multi-use games area placed centrally to benefit from overlooking from the other facilities on the site



**Come along to the Drop-in
Event at the Village Hall on
Saturday 27 September
anytime between
10.00am and 2.00pm**

You'll be able to find out more
about the progress in preparing
the Neighbourhood Plan ahead
of an expected full public
consultation on the draft Plan
towards the end of the year.



YOUR FEEDBACK MATTERS

Based on the information provided in this leaflet and what will be available to view at the Drop-in events, we'd welcome your responses to the following questions.

If possible, please complete the response online at <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/Bacton-Options/> or scan the QR code with the camera on a mobile device, or return this completed form to one of the collection boxes at the locations listed below.



Please tick one box per row:

1 Do you support the proposal to build a community hall at Ivy Hill?

YES

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NO

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UNSURE

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2 Do you support the proposal to build a sports pavilion and outdoor facilities opposite the Wyverstone Road/Church Road junction?

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If you answered YES to question 2, which option do you prefer?

OPTION 1

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OPTION 2

☐

UNSURE

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Do you have any comments on the proposals

Please submit your completed form in one of the collection boxes at:

- Bacton Stores, • St Mary's Church (10-4), • 41 Pound Hill,
- or the Village Hall on 27 September.