



# Business Questionnaire

A neighbourhood plan is being prepared for Catshill and North Marlbrook Parish because under the Localism Act 2011 these plans grant new rights and powers to local communities to enable them to shape the future development of their areas. It gives those who live, work or own land and property in the Parish the chance to suggest how land might best be used in the future, what facilities and services are needed and those features or assets which they identify as being important to safeguard for the future.

The aim of this short questionnaire is to ascertain what is important to you as a business, particularly the issues and challenges in the Parish. This will identify the main priorities for the plan in order to guide the work of the Neighbourhood Planning Group.

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**Business Name:**

Address:

1. What premises do you occupy? (*Tick all that apply*)

- Agricultural
- Office
- Shop
- Work from home
- Other

Specify .....

2. Does your business also operate from other premises outside the parish?

- No
- Yes

3. How many people are employed by your business **in the parish**, including yourself?

Full-time .....

Part-time (total number, not fte) .....

Volunteers (estimate if necessary) .....

4. What is your business **principally** concerned with? (*Tick one*)

- Agriculture, horticulture & landscaping
- Building and construction
- Computing
- Healthcare or social work
- Manufacturing and engineering
- Motor trade
- Professional services
- Retail sales to the public
- Catering (café, pub, food sales etc.)
- Sales to other businesses
- Storage
- Transport
- Personal services (hairdressing, chiropody etc.)
- Other

Please specify.....

5. What were the principal reasons for selecting your **current site** within the Parish for the location of your business?

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6. What are the obstacles to growing or retaining your business in the Parish? (*Tick all that apply*)

- Recruitment of staff
- Suitability of premises
- Cost of premises
- Security of site or premises
- Finance
- Internet access
- Broadband speed
- Uncertainty about the future of your premises
- Location of customers
- Planning constraints
- Road links
- Car parking
- Public transport links (road, rail and air)
- Availability of services (gas, electricity etc.)
- Local or national government policy
- Other

Please specify.....

- None

7. In the next 5 years is it most likely your business will ...

- Expand
- Stay the same
- Reduce
- Close

8. Are you likely to have a need to move your business into new premises **in the parish**, if available, in the next 5 years?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

9. Are you likely to move your business **out of the parish** in the next 5 years?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

If yes, why? .....

10. The Neighbourhood Plan will help to determine where any new development takes place in the parish and what form it might take. (*Tick all that apply*) Please say what you would like to see, and where:

- Retail
- Warehousing
- Office
- Light industry
- Service industry
- Residential – houses
- Residential – apartments
- Residential – sheltered or care home
- Other – give details below
- I would not like to see any new development

Please expand on your answers if necessary and say where you would like to see any development take place

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11. Finally, please detail anything additional or that you feel strongly about below;

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