

PLANNING

The Planning System

Cheshire East Council is the Local Planning Authority for Odd Rode. Odd Rode Parish Council receives notification of all planning applications submitted for the parish. It makes comments to Cheshire East Council based on Town & Country Planning law, National Planning Guidance, Cheshire East's policies and our local Village Design Statement.

All planning applications can be viewed at Cheshire East's website :

www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/environment_and_planning/planning.aspx

If you are commenting on a planning application, you may wish to send a copy of your comments to the Parish Council for their information (via post or email).



ODD RODE NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

A website has been created for the NDP: www.oddrodeneighbourhoodplan.uk/

Please get involved in the Neighbourhood Plan conversation ... we need to hear everyone's voice. You don't need any special knowledge as there are no right or wrong answers ... **it is your opinions that we want.**

All households will receive a Neighbourhood Development Plan survey this year. Amongst other things, the survey will ask about these issues:

The total number of new dwellings that an area must accommodate is set by the Government and the local planning authority (Cheshire East Council). However, a local Neighbourhood Development Plan can designate where these dwellings go and/or what type of dwellings they should be.

Existing national planning policies emphasise that development should first take place on brownfield sites (land which has already been developed in the past, e.g. old factories, depots, etc) and greenfield sites (undeveloped land) within defined settlement boundaries (the villages of Rode Heath/Thurlwood, Scholar Green, Mount Pleasant & Mow Cop have such boundaries). However, once this land is exhausted, the Government & Cheshire East Council may look to designate other sites for housing. We will be asking you, if we have to have more houses, where do you think these houses should go?



Quiet Lanes are minor rural roads, typically C or unclassified routes, which have been designated by local highway authorities to pay special attention to the needs of walkers, cyclists, horse riders and other vulnerable road users, and to offer protection from speeding traffic. Cars are not banned from Quiet Lanes and the use of Quiet Lanes is shared. Measures such as lower speed limits and discrete road signs aim to encourage drivers to slow down and be considerate to more vulnerable users who can in turn use and enjoy country lanes in greater safety, with less threat from speeding traffic. We will ask whether you would support quiet lanes and, if so, where?

Further information can be found at:

<http://www.cpre.org.uk/resources/transport/roads/item/1867-cpres-guide-to-quiet-lanes>