



Review of settlement boundaries

The Starston Neighbourhood Plan is a community-led document for guiding future development within the parish. It is about the use and development of land over the next 20 years.

In November 2018 the Steering Group for the Neighbourhood Plan held a consultation event to find out key issues for the parish. 85% of those that attended said that they wanted more housing in Starston, but that it should be very limited, respecting the character of Starston as a small village.

A 'settlement boundary' (historically known as the 'village envelope') is a line drawn on a parish map showing where new development (housing or business use) might take place. Anything outside of the line is considered 'open countryside'. At the moment the lines are drawn so tightly that Starston is unlikely to achieve any development.

As part of the Neighbourhood Plan we are therefore considering changing the settlement boundaries. The advantages of enlarging the settlement boundaries are that Starston may be able to accept small-scale, well-planned development, protect the countryside from unnecessary building, and give some certainty to land owners as long as they adhere to other planning policies. If settlement boundaries change, some land values may change and the character of the village may be altered. We are therefore simply exploring options at this stage.

Please draw where you think the settlement boundaries should be on the map overleaf – using a cross. We will collate everyone's thinking and hold an event in the Jubilee Hall after Easter to consider a range of settlement boundary options alongside draft planning policies to be included in the Starston Neighbourhood Plan.

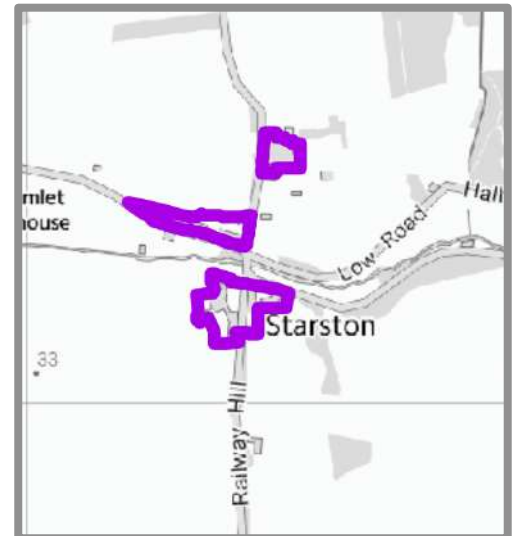
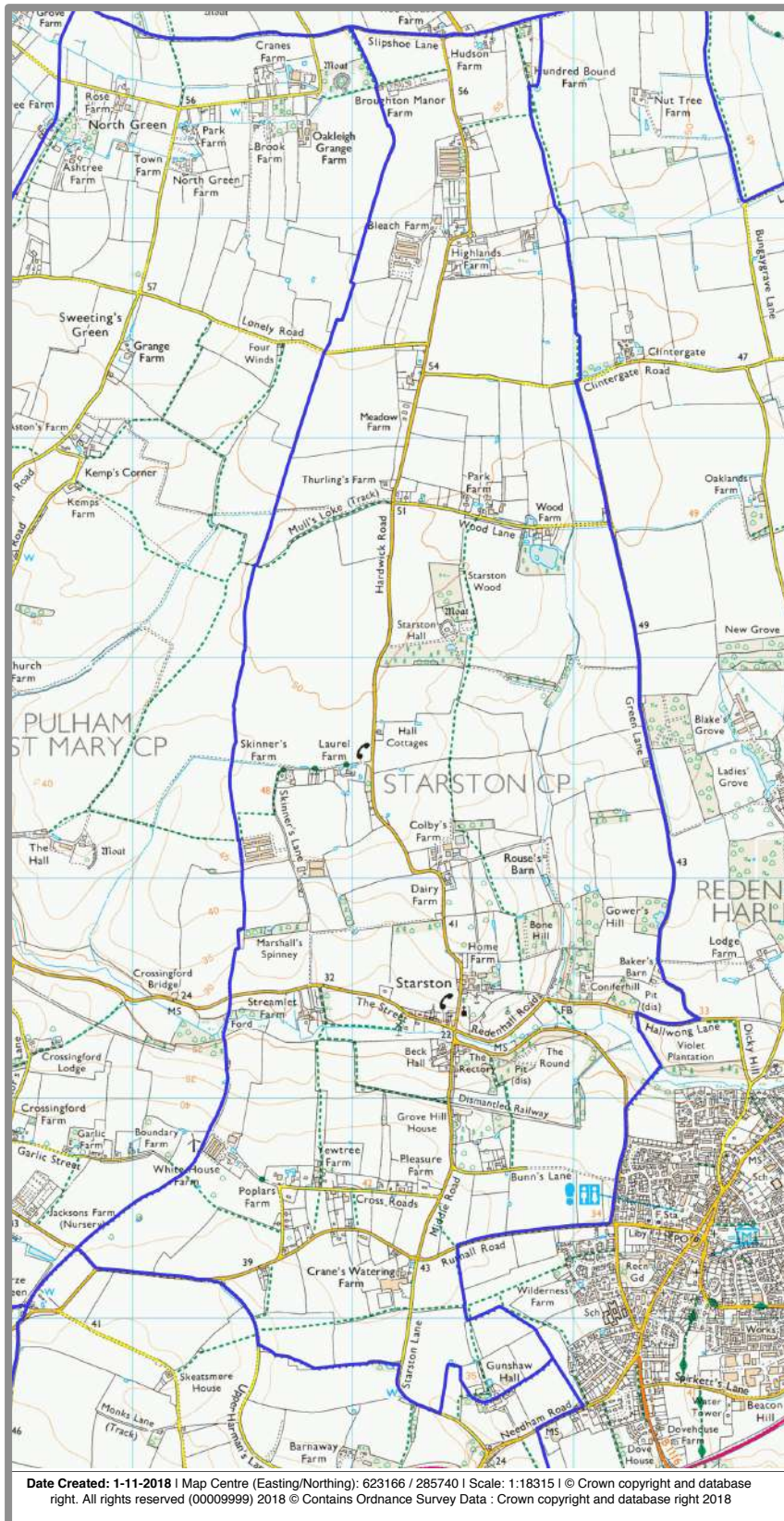
If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Leggett, our independent Project Manager for the Starston Neighbourhood Plan, starstonplan@gmail.com or phone 07947 615335.

Please return your map to the Jubilee Hall Neighbourhood Plan letterbox by 11th March 2019.

Where should the settlement boundaries be?

Please draw on the map below with a cross (left).

Blue lines denote parish boundaries.



Above: current settlement boundaries, shown in purple

Your comments (please add extra sheet if needed)

Name

Address