



WOKINGHAM
BOROUGH COUNCIL



Wokingham Borough Council Plan: Our journey to 2030

Our plan for Wokingham Borough

2025 to 2030



About this easy read



This is an easy read of Wokingham Borough Council's plan for 2025 to 2030.



This easy read tells you about the main things in the bigger plan.



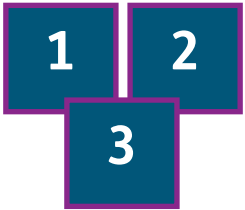
If you want more information, you can find the bigger plan on our website:

www.wokingham.gov.uk/council-and-meetings/open-data-and-transparency/council-plan

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About our plan

We are Wokingham Borough Council. We run lots of different services for people in our borough. Things like:



- Giving people care and support if they need it.



- Children's services.



- Emptying bins and taking rubbish away.



- Housing.



We are really proud of all of the good work we do. But we want to do even better.



We want to make sure everyone in our borough has the same chances for good health and a good life.



We have written a new plan to help make this happen.



We have spoken to lots of people to help make our plan.

They told us what matters most to people who live and work here.



The plan says what we want to do in the next 5 years.

What is in our plan

Our plan is in 3 parts:



1

Our vision

Our **vision** is what we want to see happen in the future.



2

Our mission

This is what we want to do.



3

Our priorities

These are big things we will work on to make our plan happen.

Our vision



Our vision is called the **Wokingham Communities Vision**.

A **community** is where people live, work and play in the same area. It can include friends, neighbours and family too.



Our vision is for our communities to get on well together and be proud of where they live.



We listened to local people before we wrote this vision. We worked together to decide on the 6 big things we all need to work towards:



1. Look after our area and make it even better.



2. Make it easy for people to get to things they want and need.
Things like schools, shops and doctors.



3. Support people to get along and work well together.



4. Make sure everyone has the chance to do well.



5. Support businesses, so people can get good jobs.



6. Support people to live happy, healthy and **independent** lives.
Independent means doing some things for yourself or with some support.

Our mission



We want everyone in Wokingham to be able to do well and have a good life.



This means things like:

- Living in a good and safe home.



- Having good health.



- Having chances to learn and work.



- Feeling safe and included.



We will work together closely with our communities to support children, adults and older people to do well.



Our priorities

Our **priorities** are the big things we will work on for the next 5 years.



This next part tells you about our priorities and what we will do to make them happen.

Priority 1: Fair



We want everyone in our area to have the right services and support they need.

What we will do:

We will:



- Help people to build strong, fair and welcoming communities.



- Support people with their money and getting a job.



- Make sure people can learn new skills to help them stay healthy.

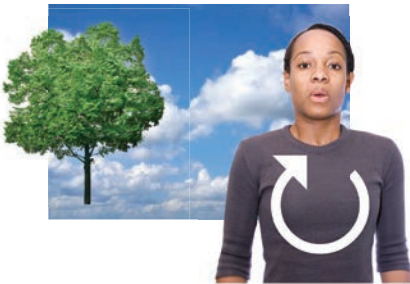


- Make sure that people who are most in need can find a home.

Priority 2: Green



We want to make sure we have lots of green spaces in our area.



We want to make sure we use less energy. This is better for the **environment**.

The **environment** is the world around us and the air we breathe.

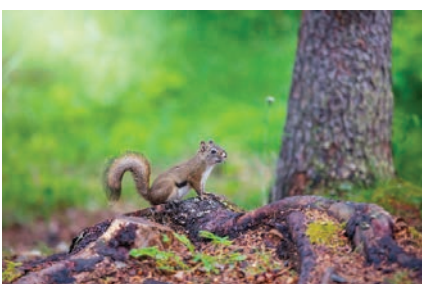
What we will do:

We will:



- Make sure our parks and other **green spaces** are safe and easy for everyone to use.

Green spaces are things like gardens, woods and fields.



Good parks and green spaces will help plants and animals to do well.

We will:



- Keep streets and other **public places** clean and tidy.

Public places are places that anyone can use.



- Try to have less **pollution** in our areas. **Pollution** is smoke that things like cars and factories give out.



Pollution makes the air dirty.
It can be bad for people's health
and cause people to be poorly.



- Recycle more rubbish.



- Make homes warmer, healthier
and cheaper to run.

Priority 3: Safe



We want people who live, work or **visit** our borough to feel safe.

Visit means going somewhere for a short time.

What we will do:

We will:

- Keep people safe from **abuse** and **neglect**.



Abuse means hurting people or treating them badly.



Neglect is not giving someone the care they need.

We will:



- Support people who have been treated badly or unfairly.

This might be because of things like a disability, their religion or the colour of their skin.



- Build caring communities where people get help as soon as they need it.



- Think about keeping people safe when we plan new homes and buildings.

Priority 4: Connected



We want to support people in our area to keep in touch with each other.



This means:

- Supporting people to stay in touch using phones and computers

and



- Making sure it is easy for people to travel and get around.

What we will do:

We will:

- Work together with people and organisations to make services better.





- Use new **technology**. **Technology** means things like computers, tablets and phones.



- Make sure that everyone feels part of their local community.



- Help town centres, businesses and local areas to do well.



- Make it easy for people to travel to where they need to go.



This means things like:

- Having good roads.



- A good bus service.



- Making it easy for people to walk and cycle.

Checking our plan is working



We will write lots of other smaller plans to help us do all the things in this plan.

Things like:



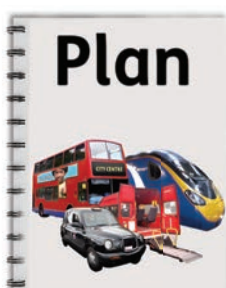
- A plan about how we will spend our money on services.



- A plan about giving people care and support.



- A housing plan.



- A **transport** plan. **Transport** is things like buses, taxis, cars and trains.



There are groups of people at the council called **Overview and Scrutiny Committees**.



They will check our plans and if we are doing all the things we said we would.

Contact us



If you have any questions you can email us at:

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