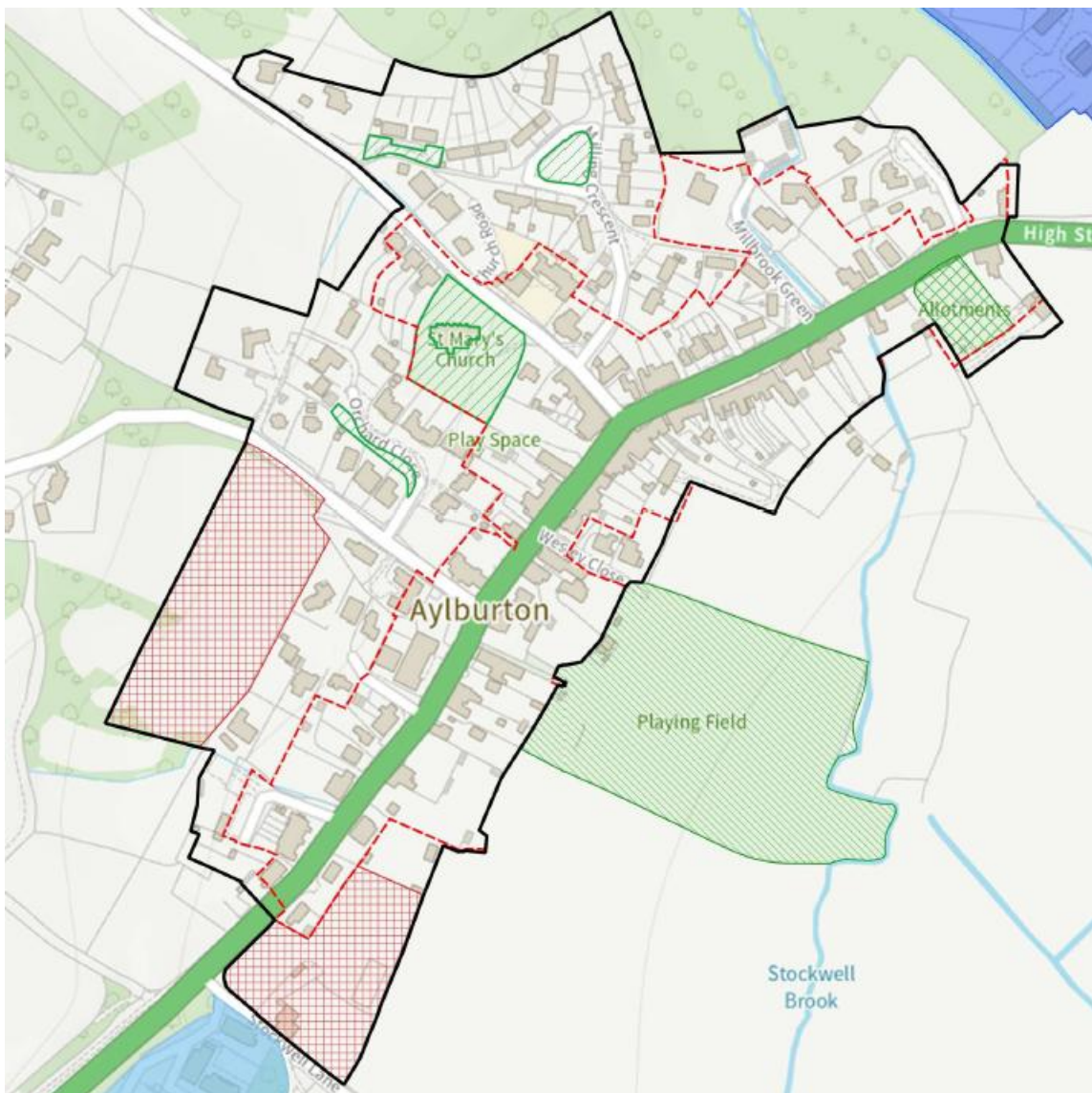


New Housing Considered for Aylburton

Consultation Open Now

Public Meeting: Tuesday 24 February 6pm, Aylburton Methodist Church

FoDDC Councillors have voted to proceed to the next stage of the FOD Draft Local plan with a public consultation. This plan includes two potential developments in Aylburton: 30 homes off Chapel Hill and 15 homes off Stockwell Lane. We are encouraging residents to have their say and submit their comments on the proposals.



Red hatched lines indicate locations of potential developments.

Why respond?

- Ensure that any development is in line with community needs and values.
- Raise concerns about issues such as loss of green spaces, increased traffic, flood risk, and impact on conservation areas.
- Ensure that community voices are heard.

Key planning concerns to include in your response

- **Settlement area expansion:** The proposed plan may significantly increase the size of the village, leading to a loss of character, rural identity and affecting the linear shape.
- **Scale of development:** The plans suggest a significant increase in housing – possibly around 15%. This goes against the council’s policy for only small-scale developments in small villages.
- **Conservation area impact:** New development could have a negative effect on Aylburton’s Conservation Area, which is a protected part of our heritage.
- **Infrastructure concerns:** Consider issues such as access on Chapel Hill and turning onto A48, flood risk, traffic congestion, and lack of local facilities.

How to respond

1. **Read the plan:** Visit the council website or attend a public exhibition to review the Local Plan documents.
2. **Prepare your comments:** Be clear, concise, and specific. Refer to sections or policies in the plan where possible. Highlight how proposals would impact the village, referencing issues like conservation, infrastructure, and community needs.
3. **Submit your response:**
 - Online via the council’s consultation portal <https://fdean-consult.objective.co.uk/kse/>
 - By email – localplans@fdean.gov.uk
 - By post – Local Plan Team, Forest of Dean District Council, Council Offices, High Street, Coleford, Gloucestershire, GL16 8HG
4. **Encourage others:** Share this leaflet with neighbours and friends. The more responses received, the stronger our village’s voice.

Tips for an effective response

- Use your own words – personal responses carry more weight.
- Focus on planning-related issues (e.g., environment, infrastructure, policy compliance).
- Be respectful and constructive in your comments.

Important Dates

Consultation period: **Wednesday 4 February 2026 – Wednesday 18 March 2026**

Local Public Exhibition: **Tuesday 17 February 3.30-6.30pm, Lydney Community Centre, Naas Lane, Lydney GL15 5AT**

Public meeting (organised by Aylburton Parish Council): **Tuesday 24 February 6pm, Aylburton Methodist Church**

Your input can help shape the future of our village. Please respond before the consultation closes!