

Our Village, Our Vision...

Ottershaw needs help from local people to lead and influence our village's future.

Current UK government policy is to build 300,000 houses per year. This means that in the next version of the Local Plan our council will need to allocate sufficient sites across Runnymede to enable up to an additional 5,000 new homes to be built between 2030 and 2040. Many of these sites will directly and indirectly impact Ottershaw.

This is why it is vitally important that we develop our own **Neighbourhood Plan.** Our Neighbourhood Plan will give us the opportunity to set our own vision for our village for the next 20 years or more.

Being a member of the Neighbourhood Forum means together we can have a strong voice and make our views count.

There may be other issues villagers are concerned about in addition to the increased pressure more housing development will bring. It is important to fairly represent the views of Ottershaw residents.

- Inevitably there will be an impact on our roads.
- Will there be enough schooling, healthcare and leisure provision?
- How can we minimize the impact on the green belt, woodland, open spaces and environment?

To achieve this, a strong Neighbourhood Forum is required with membership from across a diverse range of age groups, businesses, community groups and landowners.

Currently our membership of approximately 300 represents about 8% of residents inside the Ottershaw Neighbourhood Area, but to be strongly representative many more of you need to join.

It may be that only one person in your household has joined up, but if **individual members of each household join separately**, they all get a say. Please encourage spouses / partners / young people over 18 years / housemates and others to become members.

Becoming a member of the Forum is FREE and does not mean you will be required to do anything.

Joining the Forum is the best way of being kept informed about key issues in your area and what the Forum is doing.

Take this opportunity to influence the Local Plan now.



Make your voice count, join the Forum at www.ottershawforum.com/join

For those with no internet access, a membership form can be obtained from Londis on Brox road.

