

What is it?

Our Marple Plan **does not make any change to Marple today** - it is a document for the future. If it is voted in, then it is an additional set of 18 planning policies which must be considered when reviewing future planning applications in the Marple area. It does not propose any changes to roads or car users.

The policies have been drafted over eight years, by members of our community, with the ambition to ensure that any future developments are right for Marple. Note that whilst the policies can 'support' the idea of something, then nothing will change unless there are planning applications made which fall under the relevant policy.

Neighbourhood Plans are already voted into place in High Lane, Woodford, and more.

A summary of the planning policies is below, or read the full plan at OurMarplePlan.co.uk

What are the 18 planning policies?

Town Centre

TC1 - Development in the Town Centre must respect local character...

TC 2 - Development in the Town Centre must respect the public realm...

Getting Around

GA1 - The creation of new and the protection and improvement of existing, pedestrian and cycle routes will be supported...

GA2 - Development of facilities at Marple & Rose Hill train stations will be supported...

Housing

H1 - Housing sites of one hectare or more should provide a minimum of 35% affordable homes...

H2 - The development of housing for older people, with a view to downsizing, will be supported...

Heritage & Tourism

HT1 - Marple's heritage assets must be conserved in a manner appropriate to their significance...

HT2 - Developments on known or suspected archaeological sites should be subject to additional pre-development evaluation...

HT3 - Facilities that encourage people to visit or enjoy our area will be supported...

Natural Capital

NC1 - Development must minimise impacts on wildlife and biodiversity...

NC2 - Development should seek to minimise energy use and maximise energy efficiency where practical...

NC3 - Development of community scale hydro-electric, solar or other energy production would be supported...

NC4 - Applications to retro-fit old buildings with energy efficient solutions will be supported...

Community Space

CS1 - Existing open space, sports and recreational land, including playing fields, should not be built on, unless it meets strict criteria...

CS2 - Development resulting in the loss of indoor community space will not be supported unless it is no longer used. Development of new indoor community space will be supported...

CS3 - Development on canal towpaths must respect the current character and appearance...

Business & Employment

BE1 - Development that would result in the reduction of existing employment land will not be supported, unless it meets strict criteria...

BE2 - Development supporting the creation of new microbusinesses will be supported...