



An annotated screen shot from the new Borough interactive site map available to all via: <https://bedford.opus4.co.uk/planning/localplan/maps/planning>

## Why does Renhold Parish Need a Neighbourhood Plan?

**BECAUSE WITHOUT IT OUR COMMUNITY WILL HAVE VERY LITTLE SAY IN FUTURE DECISIONS RELATING TO OUR LOCAL ENVIRONMENT**

Bedford Borough Council maintains the Local Plan which broadly:-

- Looks forward 10 years and is reviewed at least 5 - yearly
- Sets development policy to meet local needs and implement Government targets
- Periodically puts out calls for potential development sites to feed into the Local Plan
- **The map above identifies the extent of sites currently being offered by landowners across the Parish and the number of houses proposed!!**

Our Neighbourhood Plan sits alongside the Local Plan and:-

- Defines how we, the local community, wish to see our Parish develop
- Enables greater detail and community recognition than is realistic in the Local Plan
- Must be taken into account during the planning process
- Encourages cohesion within the community
- **Prevents developers discounting local views which would certainly happen if no Neighbourhood Plan is in existence**

**WILL YOU ENGAGE WITH YOUR PARISH COUNCIL** to help produce our Parish Neighbourhood Plan and give Renhold a voice at Borough Hall?

**If you're ready to assist, email [renhold.npwg@gmail.com](mailto:renhold.npwg@gmail.com) Please DO IT NOW!!!**