

# Hardingstone Parish Council Mission Statement

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## **Our vision is to be a village that;**

- Is a safe, healthy, clean and caring place that people want to live and work in for the long term.
- Is inclusive, promoting a strong sense of community spirit every day.
- Is well connected with transport and communication links fit for the future.
- Is diverse, well-educated and has suitable quality housing for people to live in.
- Is welcoming to visitors and works well with its neighbouring parishes.
- Protects the importance of its historic, geographical and natural assets.

(Please note that typically a vision should be aspirational and not detailed i.e. not defining specific terms like fit for the future or diversity, so as to allow flexibility and not to limit future options)

## **Parish Council's Mission Statement**

To sustain and grow a successful, safe and caring community by representing and serving the best interests of those members who live or invest in it.

### **What we do**

Represent and serve the community and allocate the community resources accordingly.

### **How we do it**

By engaging, whenever possible, in an open dialogue with residents, to understand their needs and to explain how the Council will address these needs within the resources and powers available.

### **Who we do it for**

The people who live in the village and those who have a sustained investment in the success of the community.

### **Objectives**

Utilise the resources and assets available to the parish council;

- To ensure that the village remains clean, healthy and safe and that all residents are well informed.
- To identify the need and where required support the proposal and creation of a space(s) in the village where residents of all ages can come together to participate in sports, social, wellbeing and other leisure activities as well as access the services of the parish council.
- To protect the unique rural and historic nature of the village whilst recognising the future housing, education and infrastructure needs of the residents in the future.
- To lobby transport, health and education authorities to ensure where possible the needs of our residents are fully met.
- To welcome visitors with good intentions towards the village and to discourage visitors or local residents who commit crime or act antisocially.
- To ensure all our historic, geographical and natural assets are identified and afforded protection so that they are preserved for the good of the village.