Clipstone Parish Council
Village Hall, Church Road, Clipstone, Nottinghamshire, NG21 9DF

Strategy 2026–2030

'Working together for a thriving, inclusive, and sustainable Clipstone'

Our Vision

Clipstone Parish Council is working towards building a community where everyone feels heard, valued and able to thrive, balancing the need for new development while protecting the values and environment that makes Clipstone special: its heritage, green spaces, and community spirit.

What We Stand For

- Openness – keeping residents informed and involved in decisions
- Inclusivity – welcoming and respecting everyone in our diverse community
- Sustainability – protecting green spaces and heritage for future generations
- Community voice – giving residents a real say in local decisions
- Accountability & fairness – taking responsibility, and treating everyone fairly

Caring for Our Environment

We want Clipstone to become a greener, more sustainable parish. Over the next five years we will:

- Support community events and school partnerships to raise awareness of climate and sustainable living
- Support walking and cycling as everyday travel options
- Encourage planting of more trees and protection of wildlife-friendly spaces (wildflowers, bird boxes, insect hotels)
- Encourage community gardens and allotments
- Review and cut down on the pesticide use and single-use plastics at council events
- Work towards Net Zero council operations, including a carbon audit and renewable energy where possible

Keeping Clipstone Safe and Healthy

Crime data shows domestic violence, vandalism and antisocial behavior are the main local concerns. Our response includes:

- Stronger partnerships with Nottinghamshire Police and support for a community support officers' scheme
- Encourage youth clubs, sports and diversionary activities to keep young people engaged positively
- Encourage safer public spaces, alongside clean, well-managed grounds
- Encourage any form of support for victims, especially elderly or isolated residents, and mental health signposting
- Encourage health fairs, workshops and partnerships with local health services

Supporting Our Local Economy and Heritage

Clipstone's shops, businesses, and history matter to us. We will:

- Encourage residents to shop, eat, and use services locally
- Promote Clipstone's unique heritage including the Headstocks Museum, Vicar Water Country Park and Intake Wood through events, guided tours and a "Discover Clipstone" campaign
- Support local markets, festivals and community events
- Encourage "Buy Clipstone" campaign and business networking opportunities

Green Spaces, Play Areas and Community Buildings

The Council maintains the Village Hall, cemetery, play areas (including Highfield Road) and green spaces. A 2023 resident survey (nearly 200 responses) strongly supported keeping these areas as green space or play areas and that is the direction we are taking.

How You Can Get Involved

- Annual Parish Meeting, to review progress and share feedback
- Community surveys, to be used for consultation when needed especially during the strategy period
- Neighborhood drop-ins – twice yearly, for local issues
- Online updates – ongoing, via website, social media and email
- Monthly Parish Council meetings

Full strategy document available from Clipstone Parish Council.