

# Buntingford Community Area Neighbourhood Plan – Review February 2024

As part of the review process of the BCANP we would request that the Buckland & Chipping section of the BCANP be reviewed for accuracy and any changes that require modification should be identified on the “Suggested Changes” section of this document preferably highlighted. Once these changes have been made, we would request that they are ratified at a meeting of the Buckland & Chipping Council, and returned to us for inclusion in the reviewed document. Please contact Buntingford Town Council on 01763 272222 or [clerk@buntingford-tc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@buntingford-tc.gov.uk) if you have any questions or would like guidance.

The Buckland & Chipping section is below.

## **Buckland & Chipping**

### The Place and its People

The two villages of the parish straddle the A10 and are separated by one mile. Buckland, a corruption of Bookland from its reference in the Domesday Book, has the remains of a large moated area which contained a motte and bailey, a medieval Manor House and the current 13<sup>th</sup> century St Andrew’s Church. The church is also used for village events, as is the Common Land behind it; there are the remains of a further motte and bailey to the north of the village.



Chipping was originally known as “Chipanne” – olde English for Market – and held a Charter Market until the 13<sup>th</sup> century when it was transferred to Buntingford.

In 1851 some 215 men, women and children lived in Chipping and 170 in Buckland. The advent of the railways diminished the traffic on the roads and adversely affected the prosperity of the villages on Ermine Street. Even so in 1890 Buckland and Chipping supported five public houses, the Buckland Co-Operative Society, a shop, post office, a workman’s club and a library.



Today the parish consists of approximately 274 residents, a church and one public house - The Countryman – (Temporarily closed between 2020 – 2023) has re-opened as a Weekend Tea Room; rebuilding its position as the centre of community life.

<b>BUCKLAND &amp; CHIPPING</b>				
<b>Population</b>	Population	No. of Households	Under 15 years %	Over 65 years %
	<b>273</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>15.4</b>	<b>20.9</b>
<b>Transport</b>	No. of cars in parish	No. of households without a car %		
	<b>209</b>	<b>6.4</b>		
<b>Employment</b>	Persons economically active %	Persons Unemployed %	Persons working at home %	
	<b>63.2</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>N/A see note below</b>	

*Source 2021 Census ONS Feb 2024 - Nomisweb*

Note: When the 2021 census was carried out in March of 2021 there was an increase in home working from 10.3% in 2011 to 31.2% in 2021, but the government advised people to stay at home and only attend work if you had no alternative; there are also several other aspects to consider when interpreting results for this topic. The estimated average percentage of Working from Home for the BCANP was 39.6%.

**Approved at a meeting of Buckland & Chipping Parish Council held on .....**

**Minute No: .....**

**Signed**

**Chairman of the Council .....**

**Clerk to the Council .....**