



Avonside  
Campaign to Protect Rural England

# CPRE's manifesto for the 2015 election

**The beauty of England's countryside is a national treasure renowned throughout the world. Our geology, climate and history have produced a unique range of landscapes that people love.**

However, the effects of current policies on the countryside are devastating. They are destroying and threatening our Green Belt, protected areas and, above all, our 'ordinary' but hugely valued countryside. Open countryside is still being developed while suitable brownfield land is left unused, local people are being disregarded, and still too few homes are being built. CPRE calls on all parties to develop better policies so we have:

**the right housing in the right places:** prioritise brownfield sites and strengthen protection of the Green Belt; increase delivery of the right housing by investing in affordable housing to meet local needs; support local aspirations by introducing a community right of appeal.

**the right infrastructure for the right reasons:** reduce the demand for car travel and energy; prioritise better and smarter transport choices; and ensure that new energy infrastructure minimises local impacts.

**a beautiful countryside to sustain us all:** promote the resilience of the food and farming system; enhance people's experience of the countryside; and champion and deliver solutions to eradicate littering in the countryside, including a national behaviour change campaign.

**To read CPRE's full manifesto and to sign our Charter to Save the Countryside go to [www.cpre.org.uk/how-you-can-help](http://www.cpre.org.uk/how-you-can-help)**

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