

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN CONSULTATION

19TH & 20TH SEPTEMBER 2012

WRITTEN COMMENTS MADE

POSTIVE FEATURES OF THE PARISH

Like seeing birds & lamas, horses and animals

Trees and fields

Woods

Lots of country sites

Rural feel

Wonderful walks

Farmland and fields

Rural feel of the village - this must be mentioned

The farm

Countryside

Landscape and character houses

Local area, friendly community, good location, committed individuals with active participation

Friendly people

Friendly community and a good location

Good community spirit

Community spirit

Community

The Ark and playground

Recreation ground

School x 3

Pubs

Like walking dogs

Its still a village

Still keep village character

Close to Ashdown Forest

NEGATIVE FEATURES OF THE PARISH

Roads are not maintained - probably come up with good reason

Too many large vehicles coming through the village. Find a way to prevent that.

Where are the speed in the village should have been put in years ago

Traffic volume x 3

Traffic speed x 3

Large lorries

Queuing traffic making school run etc. difficult

Far too many large commercial vehicles. Plan does not address this. Alternative routes!

Crossroads x 2

Difficult crossing from Hill House Close

Traffic and school crossing

Big lorries / car transporters

Heavy traffic and oversized lorries

Traffic and speed it goes

Don't like traffic

Too many heavy lorries going North to South and return

Traffic volume and speed including out to end of 40mph limit on East Street

Better signs and rumble strips to reduce traffic to 40mph in zone down East Street

Mini roundabouts - are they justified

No crossing lady from Fire Station

Narrow pavement around The Bank opposite the green and railings needed to stop children running into the road

No safe route from Thornhill (south of village) in to village have to cross road three times

No safe route from Hill House Close and Medway to centre of village and school

Early lorry traffic i.e. SITA from 5am, volume of traffic, speed of traffic, congestion and noise

Not enough parking near shops, poor bus service

No parking near to existing shops

Little parking outside shop

Wish we had a butchers and greengrocers

No greengrocers

Bus service to doctors surgery will be difficult to time with appointment
For the Park we need a bus to enable residents to access the doctors (in Crawley Down)
Bus service x 3

The Mace wall in North Street looks like Alcatraz, this was partley by Parish Council ??

We want to live in a small community not one that likes development for developments sake
There are at least 500,000 unused properties in London & suburbs. These should be used first before our green fields.

Need new fire station engines too big for this one

You only have to see traffic chaos caused by cyclists every summer weekend and Ardingly Show time & Antiques Fairs to know Clock Field development will create gridlock for miles in all directions!

WHAT DO YOU THINK OUR VILLAGE NEEDS

Roundabout Paddockhurst Road, Turners Hill Road, Church Road necessary
Crossroads plan for middle of village is good
Car parking for school is a good idea
Activated crossings, one Selsfield Road / North Street past mini roundabout, 2 over to shops North road
Safe crossing North Street to Lion Lane (south end) x 2
Slowing traffic as it comes down North Street

Extend footpath between Turners Hill Park and SH crossroads i.e. Turners Hill to East Grinstead
Path to Crawley Down (pushchair friendly!) x 2
Pathway to Crawley down alongside of road

Not in favour of Paddockhurst development proposal. It's not needed, uses up green fields - we are going to have difficulty in feeding the nation in the future
Smaller new houses, 1 and 2 bed to buy for increase in number of people who live alone as well as those starting out
For future generations - housing
No executive affordable housing developments

If no buses from Park Doctor need for surgery in village 5 days a week
Dedicated health care (permanent doctor)

A better bus service so people & pensioners can get to work and town and workers to get to Three bridges early for trains to work, colleges etc.
Better bus commuter services including to Haywards Heath

Faster Broadband!!! X 3

Repaint of playground
Adult gym apparatus for playing field

A post office with more opening hours - if parking was better more people would use post office who would extend their hours
A tea room/shop
Cash machine
More shopping facilities - co-op or similar

Charging place for electric cars

Need to make sure we don't eventually join up with Crawley Down!

Fix handrail on green (Lion Lane, North Street)