

Great Addington Neighbourhood Plan

February 2022

Introduction

In November 2021, all residents living in great Addington were invited to an event to launch the development of a Neighbourhood Plan for the village. Those who couldn't attend the event forwarded their comments in writing via email or letter.

24 people attended, along with 7 people from the Council Neighbourhood Planning Group.

People were asked to comment against the following headings:

- Education
- Housing
- Green Space
- Infrastructure
- Heritage
- Employment
- Environment
- Transportation

Summary

All comments have been captured and are listed below. Contact has been made with north Northants Council to decide how to move forward with the next stage in the process.

Comments

EDUCATION

“School”
“Parking”
“Incredibly important to keep a school in the village.”
“Pre-school connected with school – new development?”
“Increase double yellow lines through village.”
“Parking in village a safety hazard.”
“Parking in Woodford Road by school staff pushes oncoming traffic to the wrong side and these are hidden to drivers exiting from Cranford Road. Accident waiting to happen.”
“Off road parking, especially if increase in size of school.”
“School is too small for the number of pupils, most of whom are driven in, causing huge parking problems.”
“School is in wrong place”
“Move school to playing fields – proper plans needed showing amount of land required for playground and turn around car park”
“Controlled access in to school slowing traffic between GA and LA + speed limit”

HOUSING

“Affordable”

“Social”

“Mix”

“Design”

“It has to be affordable but sympathetic to village.”

“Improvement in main facilities before more housing or won’t cope.”

“Yes to some new housing but under strong controls and thought out. Use it to drive wider improvement.”

“Residents involved in location of housing as well as design etc.”

“Location of new housing - Increase in ‘rat run’ traffic – safety.”

“No more housing – Traffic, drains, sewerage all a problem.”

“Limit scope for overdevelopment. Large scale developments not needed.”

“No large scale development but sensitively designed affordable housing would be good.”

“Some sensitive development.”

“Sensitive development that does not increase traffic.”

“Sensitive development around the village.”

“Small ‘in-fill’ development.”

“Choose areas for ‘in-fill’ and builder to pay cost of improving drains etc.”

“Limited developments for young and old”

“Affordable housing to be considered Cranford Rd ???”

“Possible developments between GA and LA with proper road access”

“Ringstead Rd too hilly, Woodford Rd too hilly and Cranford Rd hidden dips”

GREEN SPACE

“Parks”

“Footpaths”

“Extend footpath to Ringstead and Woodford.”

“Hard surface cycle path to link to Stanwick Lakes path.”

“Path to Stanwick Lakes path.”

“Make sure all paths are useable.”

“Connection to Greenway.”

“Walkable link to Greenway.”

“Cycle path to Stanwick Lakes track.” “Agreed.”

“Freddie Age 4 says: ‘cycle path’ ‘soft play’ ‘group play’.”

“Footpath to Irthlingborough, and better upkeep on village paths.”

“Footpath between villages upgrade and widen.”

“Would be good to have a village green, possibly linked to new, affordable housing. - Field opposite Rushwell Close?”

“Footpath safety. Too narrow etc. Age old argument.” “Agreed.”

“Footpath to Woodford for shops/amenities. Safe cycling /walking to other village.

‘Greenway’ across fields if not beside the road? Cheaper as a straight line. This could also mean getting to health centre without driving.”

“Greenway links to Woodford and Rushden Lakes.”

“Maintain green spaces”

INFRASTRUCTURE

“Medical centre”
“Parking”
“Energy”
“Signs to say ‘No parking on footpath’.”
“Sort drainage issues.”
“Better broadband for Outer Addington.”
“Community support.”
“State of repair of our roads is awful!!”
“Regular maintenance of roads and pathways.”
“Better broadband, especially for those off main roads.”
“Shared community hall, playing field if school moved _ badminton, drama, bowls”
“Pub ok” “Shop -possible if allotments”
“Money from sale of building land to invest in new community hall for both GA and LA”

HERITAGE

“Listed buildings”
“Preservation”
“Community assets”
“Strongly protect village assets, - pub + land, church, etc.”
“Take advantage of low ‘vernacular’ to allow beautiful buildings that enhance interest in village.”
“Serious discussions on use of church for wider community if requires funds.”
“New buildings to reflect local heritage.”
“Continue to support community assets.”
“Preservation of church, other heritage buildings.”
“Important to protect heritage buildings and features.”
“Church building should be seen as part of community/village asset.”
“Village identity.”
“Any new buildings should reflect local materials and scale. CPRE is useful on this.”

EMPLOYMENT

“Businesses”
“Shops”
“Transport to towns.”
“Access to employment – public transport, cycle routes.”
“Bus links!!”
“Transport links to employment hubs.”
“Mobile shop, fruit/veg, butcher.” “Agreed.”
“Village employment opportunities. Artisan hub?”
“Definitely support room for artisan opportunities. Café in church and garden?”

ENVIRONMENT

“Energy”
“Manor Wall?” “Agreed.”
“Views from village have been ruined by warehouse development – any more should be resisted. Existing should be screened.”

“Oil syndicate? Through Facebook?”

“Trees kept in better condition.”

“Pavements all neglected and in need of total re-laying, not patching.”

“Pavements need attention.”

“Potholes, especially on Cranford Road.” “Agreed.”

TRANSPORTATION

“Buses”

“Congestion”

“Unsuitable for Heavy Goods Vehicles, for Cranford Road and all other.”

“Volunteer scheme – drivers for elderly.”

“Bus service to Rushden Lakes.” “Agreed.”

“Continue to monitor speeding.”

“20 mph limit chicanes?”

“20 mph”

“Support 20 mph limit!”

“Clearer + 1 lane at all village entrances.”

“Restricted time of entry to village by non users.”

“Cranford/Main St junction very dangerous – narrow pavement (18 inches) by churchyard with drivers going far too close to pedestrians.”

“20 mph.”

“Speed limit 20 mph. Too much speeding traffic.”

“20 mph please.”

“Traffic calming.”

“20 mph chicanes.”

“School parking will at some point cause serious incident.”

“School parking is an issue.”

“20 mph at peak times.”

“Access to bus routes to Rushden Lakes, Kettering, Thrapston, Raunds, Wellingborough”

“No car parking areas”

“Speed limit in village to 20mph”

“Too much traffic – dangerous approach from most directions”