

## Hilperton Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire July 2016 - Analysis Report

As part of the Community Engagement for the Neighbourhood Plan, 2426 questionnaires were hand-delivered in June 2016. Four weeks were allowed for responses and a facility was created to allow responses online.

(see Appendix B for sample form).

A total of 288 hard copies plus 121 online replies were received (overall total 409), that is, a 16.9% Response rate. There were 2 spoilt papers.

The responses were drawn from across the Parish in reasonable correlation with areas of population density (see map Appendix C).

The following table attempts to draw out from the initial analysis (see Appendix A) of this short report the planning issues following from the questionnaire responses and how these might relate to possible policies. The questionnaire responses will then be considered alongside other community engagement exercises and the Scoping research in order to create draft policies.

Question	Underlying Issue and detailed comments	Planning Issue	Possible Policy
<p>1. We Need to identify Green Spaces for Conservation YES: 95%</p> <p>2. We need to maintain Hilperton's village status and feel. Yes 93%</p>	<p>Three comments concerning maintaining the Gap</p> <p>No boundary changes</p>	Maintaining Hilperton Gap	<p><b>DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY POLICY</b></p> <p><b>LANDSCAPE POLICY?</b></p>
<p>3. Do we need affordable housing? Yes: 40%, No 40%, Don't Know 19%</p> <p>4. Do we need housing for older people? Yes 58% No 22% No Opinion 20%</p>	<p>Yes, to rent as well as buy.</p> <p>Design for biodiversity</p>	Housing	<b>HOUSING POLICY?</b>

Question / Comment	Underlying Issue and detailed comments	Planning Issue	Possible Policy
<p>5. Secondary school? Yes 51% No 30% No Opinion 19%</p> <p>6. Medical facilities. Yes 66% No 19% No Opinion 15%</p> <p>Better flood defenses. Postbox at Budgens</p>	<p>Shop? Cafe?</p> <p>Facilities for young, teenagers and older people. Adventure playground with picnic sites BMX track Splash pad, trampoline, cycle roundabout at village hall, Skate park but find a better place Safe continuous, well-marked cycle tracks</p>	<p>Facilities / Infrastructure</p>	<p><b>INFRASTRUCTURE / DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS POLICY</b></p>
<p>7. We would like local jobs. Yes 58% No 17% No Opinion 25%</p>	<p>Small level of support for more local jobs.</p>	<p>Employment</p>	<p><b>EMPLOYMENT POLICY / SITES</b></p>
<p>8. Do you use Public Transport? Yes 46% No 54%</p> <p>9. More traffic control or calming? Yes 63% No 29% No Opinion 8%</p> <p>10. More Pedestrian Crossings? Yes 49% No 36% No Opinion 16%</p> <p>Mend potholes in roads and pavements.</p>	<p>Poor bus service to Trowbridge evenings, Sundays and bank holidays</p> <p>Where: - Marsh Rd 10% Hill St 8% Church St 8% Devizes Rd 7%</p> <p>More comments supporting speed controls</p> <p>Where: - Top of Elizabeth Way 8% Bottom of Elizabeth Way 4% Hill St near the school alley 5% Horse Rd 3%</p> <p>Police speed limits; better signage Weight limit Lack of parking places dangerous parking. Improve sight lines at Trowbridge Rd / Elizabeth Way j Need pavements to bus stops- Leap Gate.</p>	<p>Transport - Highways</p>	<p>These are mainly non-planning matters (Highway issues not land-use planning) but could form <b>NON-PLANNING ASPIRATIONS.</b></p> <p><b>They could also have implications for Developer Contributions</b></p>

<b>Question / Comment</b>	<b>Underlying Issue and detailed comments</b>	<b>Planning Issue</b>	<b>Possible Policy</b>
Maintain footpaths, cycle paths	Some desire to improve sustainable transport	Transport	<b>TRANSPORT / DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS POLICY</b>
Preserve trees and hedgerows and current green spaces Nature reserves, bird watching hides, wild flower meadows, woodland walks	Some support for local nature conservation	Biodiversity and Habitat	<b>BIODIVERSITY POLICY</b>
General comments received: Neighbourhood Watch Poop scoop bins Rubbish bin Horse Rd Ban cars for sale on verges No fracking,	General improvement of area	Community health	<b>NON-PLANNING ASPIRATIONS</b>

## Appendix A: Initial Analysis of Questionnaire Forms

1. We need to identify Green Spaces for conservation.  
Yes 95% No 1% No Opinion 4%  
Comments: -  
Filling the Gap makes Hilperton part of Trowbridge 5%  
Use as a Country Park, picnic area etc. 2%  
Maintain as agricultural land 0.5%
2. We need to maintain Hilperton's village status and feel.  
Yes 93% No 2% No Opinion 5%  
Comments: -  
Over developed already 1.5%
3. Do we need affordable housing?  
Yes 40% No 41% No Opinion 19%  
Comments: -  
To rent as well as buy 2%  
Any housing should be Designed for Biodiversity 1%
4. Do we need housing for older people?  
Yes 58% No 22% No Opinion 20%  
Comments: -  
As for Q3 plus needed for disabled too.
5. Do we need a Secondary school in the area?  
Yes 51% No 30% No Opinion 19%  
Comments: -  
In Paxcroft Mead. 1.5%
6. We would like medical facilities.  
Yes 66% No 19% NO Opinion 15%
7. We would like local jobs.  
Yes 58% No 17% No Opinion 25%  
Comments: -  
Shop 0.5%  
Café in Budgens area 1%
8. Do you use Public Transport?  
Yes 46% No 54%  
Comments: -  
Poor bus service to Trowbridge evenings, Sundays and bank holidays. 2%

9. Do we need more traffic control or calming?

Yes 63% No 29% NO Opinion 8%

Where: - Marsh Rd 10%  
Hill St 8%  
Church St 8%  
Devizes Rd 7%

These form the village "rat run", suggestions include flashing speed limits, or, preferably, close off Devizes Road around Stourton Park.

No real appetite for speed bumps:

Horse Rd 6%  
Elizabeth Way 6%  
Leap Gate 5%

Others: - Wyke Rd, Whaddon Lane in the village, Hilperton Drive, Trowbridge Rd, Hackett Place

10. Do we need pedestrian crossings?

Yes 49% NO 36% No Opinion 16%

Where: - Top of Elizabeth Way 8%  
Bottom of Elizabeth Way 4%  
Hill St near the school alley 5%  
Horse Rd 3%

Others: - Hilperton Drive near school, Hackett Place, Marsh Rd near shop, Church St, Castlemead,

General: -

Police speed limits; better signage at junctions.

Weight limit compliance.

Lack of parking places and dangerous parking.

Improve sight lines at Trowbridge Rd / Elizabeth Way junction

Need pavements to bus stops along Leap Gate.

11. Comments unrelated to previous answers.

Community activities – both Village Hall and Paxcroft Community Centre

For older people including dementia friendly and disabled

For teenagers

For younger folk

More joint activities to make Paxcroft feel part of village

Suggestions: - Adventure playground with picnic sites

BMX track

Splash pad, trampoline, cycle roundabout at village hall

Skate park but find a better place

Safe continuous, well-marked cycle tracks

Other “wants”:

Post-box at Budgens

More poop scoop bins

Rubbish bin Horse Rd bus stop

Ban cars for sale on verges and in laybys.

Maintain footpaths, cycle paths, verges and small playgrounds.

Mend potholes in roads and pavements.

No boundary changes, no fracking,

Better water pressure, flood defences.


Neighbourhood Watch

Out of area: - Need a footpath/ cycle path Rugby Club to Semington roundabout

In general: - Preserve trees and hedgerows and current green spaces

Nature reserves, bird watching hides, wild flower meadows, woodland walks etc.

Appendix B Questionnaire



# HILPERTON

## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

**Your chance to make a difference, have your say about how Hilperton should develop**

Complete the Questionnaire overleaf and let us have your views on the priorities for improving the quality of life in and around Hilperton

See the back page for more information on Neighbourhood Planning

**Neighbourhood Planning** is a new initiative by the Government to allow communities to influence how their neighbourhood's might develop. A Neighbourhood Plan can establish general planning policies for the development and use of land in a defined neighbourhood area. The plan can also set a vision for the future depending on what local people want. To do this a steering group has been created to try and develop such a plan for Hilperton and possibly bordering localities.

To help with the process which will probably take around 2 years to complete, the Steering Group have drawn up an initial brief questionnaire in order to ascertain the priorities and concerns of the people living in the area. Please help us with this worthwhile project by filling it in and returning it to your most convenient collecting point as listed overleaf or online if you find that easier.

**Contact Us**

The Hilperton Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group welcome your views and official consultation. You can call us please see information at the bottom of the page.

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Facebook: [www.facebook.com/hilpertontown](https://www.facebook.com/hilpertontown)

Twitter: @hilpertontown

**Important**

Hilperton Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group will not be held to party's promises and will not act as a party's vote. Please do not expect the Steering Group to act as an agent for any party. Decisions are being made to establish if there is a need for such a plan and to develop the plan for Hilperton.



**Neighbourhood Planning Initial Questionnaire**  
(Please ring your preferred answer)

	YES	NO	NO OPINION
1. We need to identify Green Spaces for conservation	YES	NO	NO OPINION
2. We need to maintain Hiperton village status and look	YES	NO	NO OPINION
3. Do we need affordable housing?	YES	NO	NO OPINION
4. Do we need housing for the older generation?	YES	NO	NO OPINION
5. Do we need a Secondary school in the area?	YES	NO	NO OPINION
6. We would like medical facilities	YES	NO	NO OPINION
7. We would like local jobs	YES	NO	NO OPINION
8. Do you use public transport?	YES	NO	
9. Do we need more traffic control or calming?	YES	NO	NO OPINION
If yes where:			
10. Do we need pedestrian crossings?	YES	NO	NO OPINION
If yes where:			
11. What else would you like a MP to cover and do you have any comments or suggestions?			

Please note that this is just initial information to let everyone know about and contribute to a neighbourhood development plan and to agree the issues of most concern.

There will be a lot more communication during the life of the project and plenty of opportunity to get involved

Please tell us roughly where you live

(It is not made any use for the data to be shared)

Time taken	
1. Wyle Rd / Hammond Way area	
2. Marsh Road	
3. Home Road / St Mary's Gardens area	
4. Hill Street area	
5. Church Street / Whaddon Lane area	
6. Whaddon	
7. Trowbridge Rd / Doves Rd area	
8. Percroft Mead area	
9. Outside Hiperton Parish Boundary	

**What to do with the Questionnaire when completed**

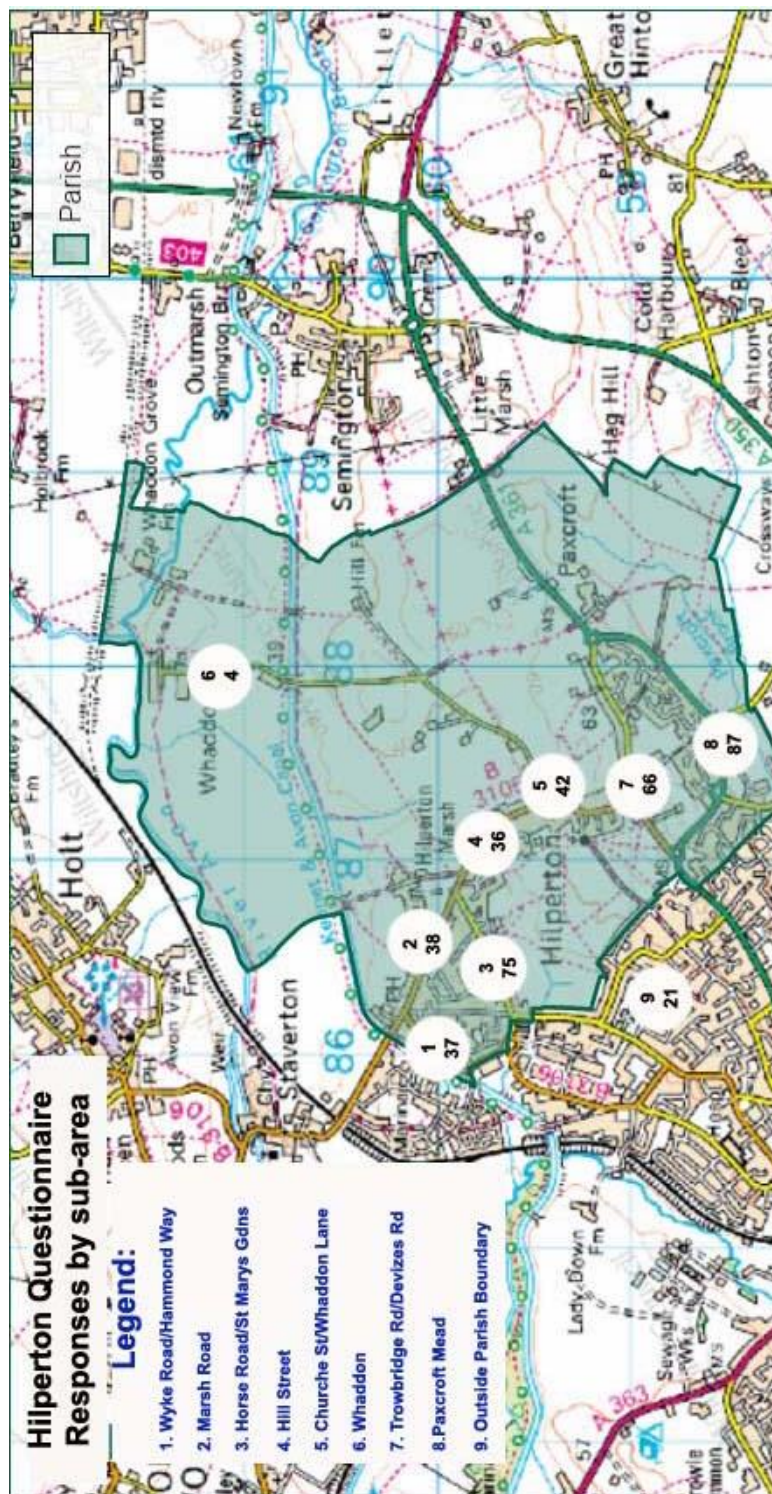
You can 'post' your completed questionnaire at the following locations. Please do so by no later than: **20th June 2016**

- 1. Stonelee, Trowbridge Rd
- 172 Doves Road - 67 St Mary's Gardens
- Or in collection boxes at:
  - Hiperton Primary School - Village Hall
  - Marsh Road Stores - Buggens, Nockett Place

You can also complete this questionnaire on-line  
Just type "Hiperton Neighbourhood Plan" in Facebook  
Or go to the Hiperton Parish Council Web site  
[www.hipertonparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.hipertonparishcouncil.org.uk)



Appendix C: Distribution of replies across the parish.



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