

4 PARISHES NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN CONSULTATION DAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2016

THANK YOU FOR ALL THE RESPONSES TO THE CONSULTATION
HELD IN LOUND AND SOMERLEYTON VILLAGE HALLS.
THE KEY ISSUES RAISED BY THE COMMUNITY WERE:

Housing.

Avoid building new houses on some specified sites, although some acceptable sites were identified.
The Blundeston prison site and brownfield sites in Lowestoft are more suitable.
New development should be limited to small houses.
Houses should be affordable / small family housing
Houses for elderly people should be included.
A limited number of new houses should be built on each site.
Design of new houses should be in keeping with existing village character.
Limit total number of new houses within the designated area.

Living in the Area.

There is good community spirit with neighbours looking out for each other's welfare.
Residents value the traditional, rural, unspoilt feel of the villages, and they appreciate the tranquillity.
Access to footpaths and the countryside is an important aspect of living in the area.
Public transport is inadequate.
Traffic through the villages is heavy, and too fast.

Environment & Heritage.

Access to countryside is important. The area is a green lung for Lowestoft and Great Yarmouth.
Listed buildings and Conservation area are important to the character of the villages.

Community Facilities.

Somerleyton Village Hall is no longer adequate and needs to be replaced.
The Post Office and Shop in Somerleyton are missed, and should be replaced if possible.
Mobile phone coverage in Somerleyton is poor.
The playing field in Somerleyton should be retained.
The train station in Somerleyton is an important asset, and its use should be encouraged.
Lound and Somerleyton allotments are well used and should be retained.
Lound Village Hall and Green are great facilities for the area and help to maintain a good community spirit.

Education.

Existing schools are good, but are already full. They will not cope if more houses are built.
Lothingland School site should be used as a school if there are additional houses in the area.
A new school could be included in the Blundeston prison site.
Car parking at Somerleyton School is a problem.
Traffic speed past Somerleyton School is a problem.

Employment.

Sites, especially existing business sites, could be developed to promote employment.
Promote Leisure and Tourism.
More jobs could be created in the Leisure industry.

Health.

It is difficult to access current healthcare facilities without a car.
It would be beneficial to have a health clinic and pharmacy in one of the villages.
Encourage physical activity to promote health.

THESE KEY ISSUES WILL FORM THE BASIS FOR A QUESTIONNAIRE
WHICH WILL BE SENT TO ALL HOUSEHOLDS IN SUMMER 2017

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The full list of responses is available at
<http://lound.onesuffolk.net/assets/Uploads/Neighbourhood-Planning/Final-Lound-+-Somerleyton-Comments.pdf>