

Haynes Parish Neighbourhood Consultation Report



March 2021

CONSULTATION REPORT

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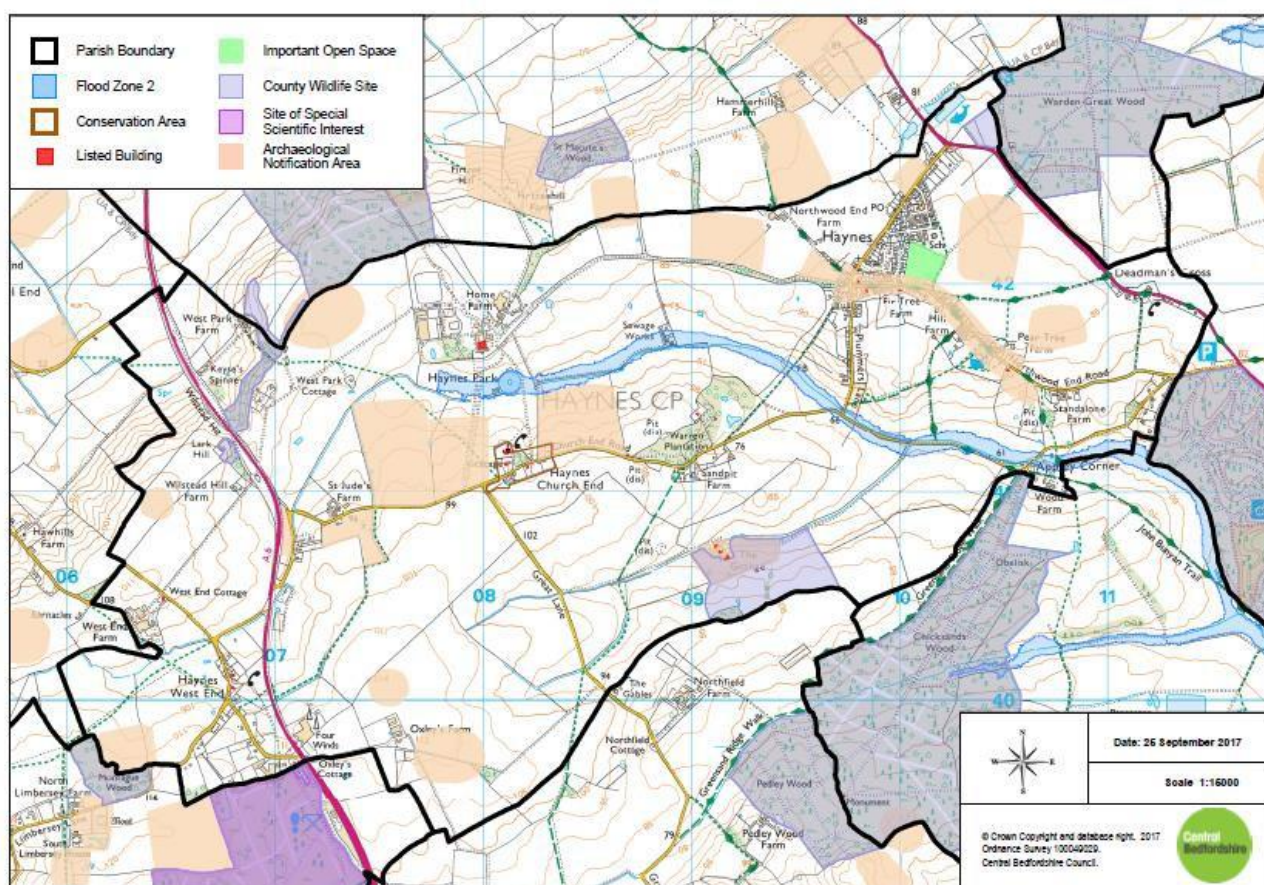
1. Introduction

This report provides the details of the consultation process undertaken as part of the development of the Haynes Parish Neighbourhood Plan (NP), as set out in the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012 (as amended). Haynes Parish Council and the Haynes Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group (HNPSG) have been working on the development of the NP since October 2011 and have undertaken a series of public consultations, as outlined below. The consultations identified a range of issues which have all been considered, recorded and where possible addressed as part of the development of the Haynes Parish Neighbourhood Plan.

2. Neighbourhood Area designation

The Neighbourhood Area was designated by Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) on 12th December 2016 following statutory publicity. As shown on the map Haynes is an interesting historic village (recorded in the Domesday Book) consisting of four Ends and a Cross (West End, Church End, Northwood End, Silver End and Deadman's Cross).

Haynes Parish Designation Map



3. Summary of early Village-wide Consultation / Engagement Activities

Background: Haynes Parish Plan and Haynes Neighbourhood Plan

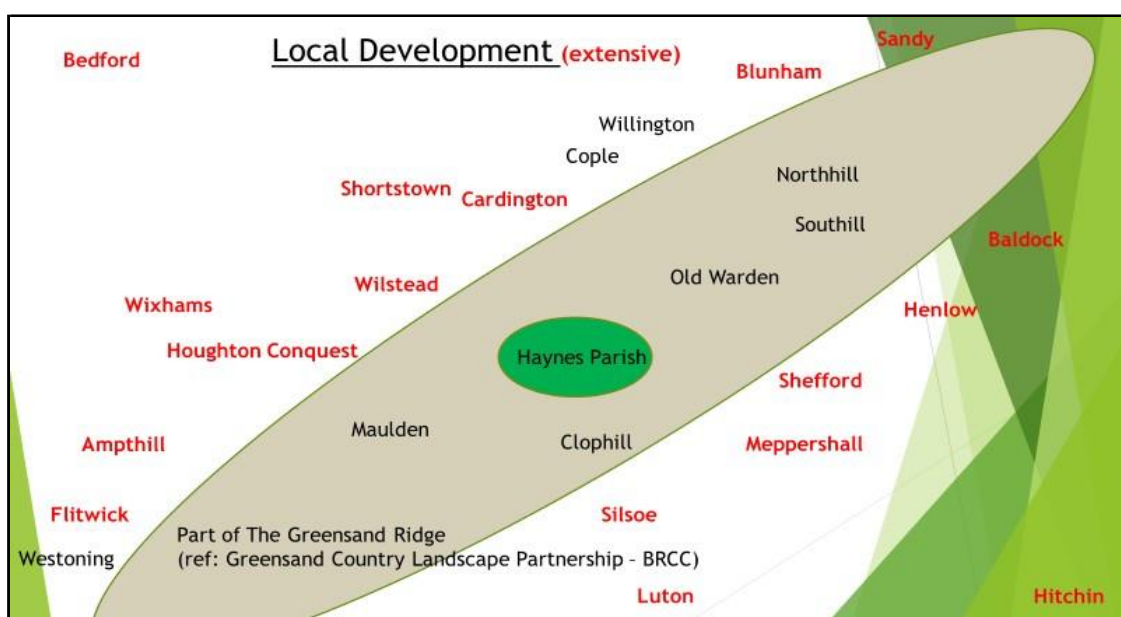
The Parish Plan was developed as the first important stage of developing a comprehensive NP for our Parish, to protect our interests and environment. The Haynes Parish Plan was always considered as the initial phase of producing a formal “Haynes Parish” Neighbourhood Plan, which would contribute to and form part of the “Local Plan of Central Bedfordshire Council” (currently being inspected by the government). We also appreciated that a NP would have more legal status for the parish council to comment on any proposed development, that would not adversely affect our rural environment.

Early Consultation

Initial consultation started in 2015 with the preparation of a Haynes – Parish Plan (HPP), covering all aspects of parish life. To achieve our objectives, the Parish Council consulted BRCC (Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity) to ensure that our approach was well constructed and meet their requirements and processes to produce such a document.

The following slide is an extract from a community presentation, used to present important ideas and concerns of the community: the meeting occurred during Feb 2017, in the Village Hall.

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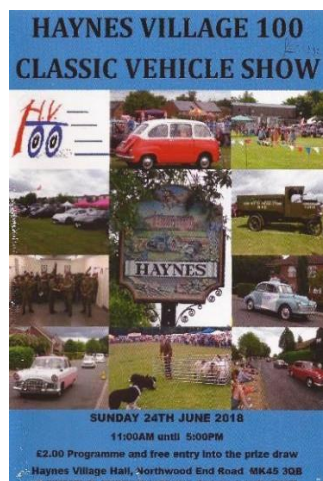


A large graphic outlining the HPP community objectives is shown below: This was used extensively at meetings and on our HPP and NP exhibition stand, at Haynes 100 events (fund raising local vintage car rally's).

Haynes Parish Plan – Objectives



HPP & HNPSG Stand at the Haynes 100 Classic Vehicle Show – 2017. Program shown for 2018



Large scale map, used at events to show the extent of CBC landownership near the main settlement area - indicated in pink.



The final Haynes Parish Plan graphics, including an appendix on “Haynes Action Plans.

Public Meeting Presentation 2017

HAYNES
PARISH PLAN COMMITTEE

HELP TO PLAN FOR HAYNES FUTURE!

Haynes is a very special village with a rich history and a great community spirit but, like all other villages, it is under pressure for change and expansion.

Should major changes be proposed, it is important that a Parish Plan is in place which defines the community's vision for a wide range of local environmental, amenity issues. These range from Agriculture to Police, Housing to Leisure, Highways to Health and Shopping, Tourism to Technology.

To create this plan, in May every property in the Parish will receive a questionnaire asking you to express your views on all these topics – and we do ask you to respond!

Before the questionnaire is delivered you can find out more about the Parish Plan by visiting the website: <http://haynesvillage.com/haynes> or come to a social and informative evening.

PARTIAL PLAN MEETING
HAYNES PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE
SATURDAY 11th JUNE 7.30pm
11.00am to 12.00pm

HAYNES PARISH PLAN COMMITTEE
Represented by Parish Council

**Haynes Parish Plan (HPP) - Public Meeting,
Feb. 14th Haynes Village Hall**

Agenda:
7.30pm

- Welcome and overview - Peter Hickman
- Comment & support for HPP, Haynes PC - Richard James
- Key points from HPP - Gill Leng
- Future development - Paul Cosford & Peter H
- Drinks & Nibbles !
- HPP Action Plan - round table discussions - HPP-SG
- Close - Peter H

9.45pm

THE FUTURE OF HAYNES
The Village Hall, April 21 2016, 7.30-9.30pm. Bar open 7pm.

Please come to the village hall on April 21st to have a sociable evening and to hear about Haynes Past, Present and Future!

The aim of the event is to start people thinking about how Haynes might look in 10 years time, including activities, schools, transport and housing. This is a prelude to launching the Haynes Questionnaire in May, when everyone will have the opportunity to feedback their thoughts and ideas.

Plan for the evening

Welcome

Haynes Past – how the village looked 50 years ago

Haynes Present – village issues and challenges today

Haynes future – how do we want the village to look in the future

What happens next – what you need to do

HAYNES PARISH PLAN COMMITTEE
Supported by Haynes Parish Council

The format of the HPP was developed by the setting up of several focussed working groups. These resulted in the following areas of interest, which are comprehensively discussed in our Haynes Parish Plan.

Parish Plan Steering Groups:



The following topic areas were developed:

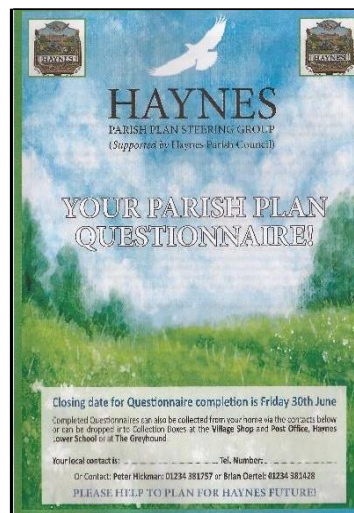
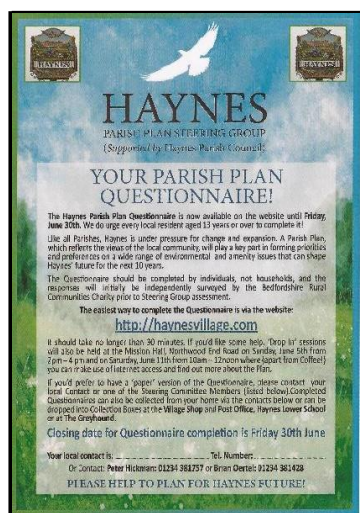
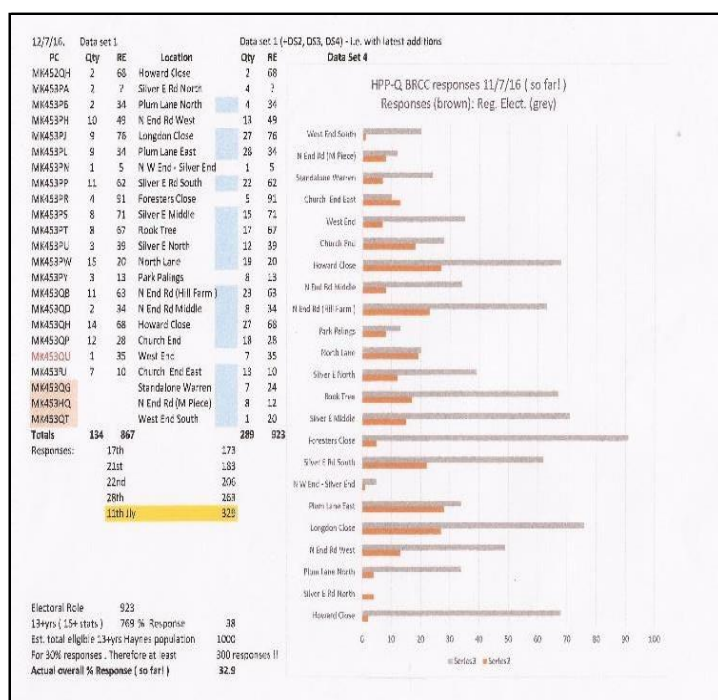
Travel, transport, roads and paths
Church, Community and leisure
Policing and community safety
Conservation, farming and the environment
Housing and future development
Communications and Information Technology
Children, schools and young people

4. Questionnaire

The Parish Council, with help from BRCC, constructed a comprehensive on-line questionnaire, to collect data about our parish community. For those people without online (internet) access paper copies were also made available at the Shop, Public House and Village Hall. In addition, drop-in sessions were advertised and held in our Mission Hall. BRCC provided technical expertise to provide an on-line Questionnaire, via their website (using an established and proven software package called Survey Monkey). The software was also used to analyse all the data and provide detailed statistics. These statistics are shown graphically for each topic in our PP.

A paper copy of our Consultation Questionnaire is available re: Appendix A. Details for

checking the community response included the Post Code monitoring of all on-line and paper responses. Typical of this monitoring, is shown graphically below:



Community involvement in answering the Parish Plan Questionnaire was carefully monitored by Post Code address (as shown above).

Post Code monitoring of Questionnaire Responses

The final results confirmed that in excess of 32% of the community responded.

Subsequently, a public meeting was held on to present the findings of the Questionnaire to the Haynes community. This was extremely well received and endorsed by the audience, resulting in only minor changes to the draft PP document.

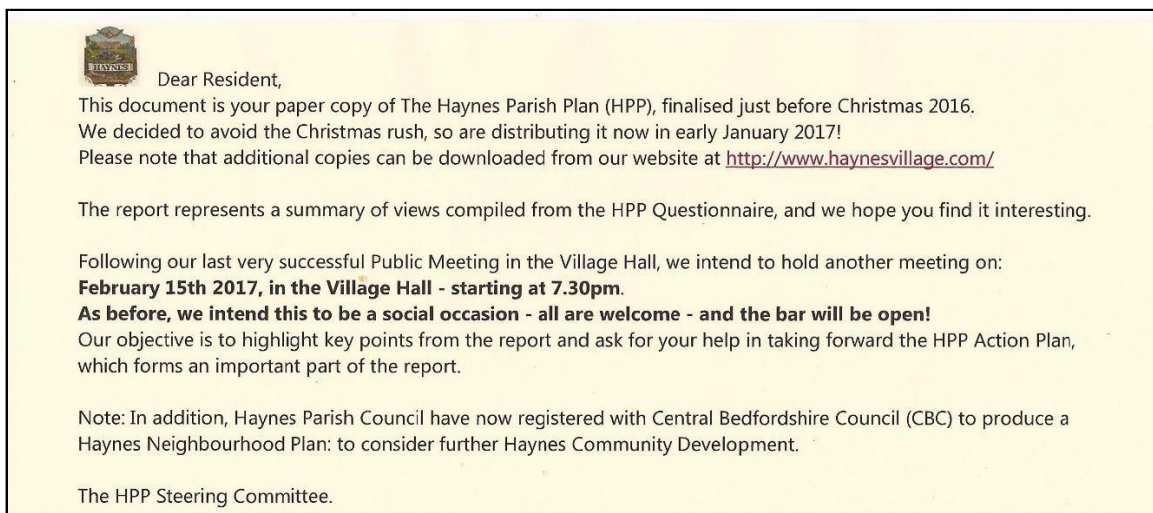
A copy of our comprehensive PP, that includes detailed statistics from our Consultation Questionnaire, is contained in Appendix B.

5. Publicity throughout the NP Process

Posters and flyers

Extensive advertising material (posters and flyers) have been used throughout the process.

Example: A simple information slip is shown below – for the Haynes Parish Plan.



Internet Resources (sites):

www.haynesvillage.com Our Parish and Neighbourhood Plan website proposal development, community information & download)

<https://haynes.bedsparishes.gov.uk/> The Haynes Parish Council website (general meetings etc.)

The Haynes Parish Magazine (HPM):

Haynes Parish Magazine: during the development of the NP articles were written informing the community of developments for the Haynes Parish Magazine (HPM). A summary of the dates of the HPM that included NP updates is given below, together with sample article for Oct. 2019 entitled “HNPSG – Haynes Parish Neighbourhood Plan: an update on progress 2019”.

Statistics for articles in the Haynes Parish Magazine

	Articles included in the Parish Mag.					
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Dec/Jan		no	no	YES	YES	
Feb		no	YES	YES	no	NO
Mar		no	YES	no	YES	YES
Apr		no	YES	no	YES	YES
May	No	no	no P	YES	no	YES
June	No	no	YES	YES	no	NO
July/Aug		no	no	YES	no	no
Sept		YES	YES	YES	no	no
Oct		no	YES	YES	YES	
Nov		no	NO	YES	no	

- MARCH 2016 SAME AS ADVERT AS APRIL 2016
- JUNE 2016 QUESTIONAIR INFORMATION
- OCTOBER 2018 UPDATE
- SEPTEMBER 2018 SECTION IN PARISH COUNCIL REPORT
- MARCH 2019 DRAFT
- APRIL 2019 IN PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

As an example, the HNPSG magazine article for the Oct. 2019 edition of the Haynes Parish Magazine, is shown below:

“HNPSG – Haynes Parish Neighbourhood Plan: an update on progress 2019”

Search: HNPSG Articles for Oct 2019 edition of the Parish Magazine (HNPSG Issue 5.3 Date 14/5/19)

Haynes Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group (HNPSG)



“Haynes Parish” – Neighbourhood Plan: an update on progress – 2019.

- A Development of the Haynes Parish Plan, with a Green Infrastructure Plan, and
- Village Design considerations, also, including
- Local and National Development Statements, and outlining
- The final stages for HNP acceptance.

Dear Haynes Residents,

The HNPSG are pleased to report on significant progress in finalising their work in developing, prior to formal submission to Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC), the Haynes Neighbourhood Plan (HNP).

HNPSG is effectively an active subgroup of your Parish Council (PC) and has two representatives of Haynes PC on its committee.

The HNP is an important document that outlines our community vision concerning the development of our rural parish – an integral and important part of the Greenand County Landscape Project.

To assist with the final documentation requirements of submitting our HNP to CBC, we have recently employed a Neighbourhood Planning Consultant. She will review our documentation and help speed up the formal process of HNP submission and acceptance by CBC. This work is already in progress and government funded.

Our comprehensive and widely supported Haynes Parish Plan (2019) covered important topics concerning Haynes Parish:

- Travel, transport, roads and paths.
- Church, community and leisure.
- Policing and community safety.
- Conservation, farming and the environment.
- Housing and future development.
- Communications and Information Technology.
- Children, school and young people.

The document is available to download and view from our website at: <https://www.haynesparish.org>

Several Action Groups resulted from this work, resulting in an environmental group that has resulted in our “Haynes Community Garden” with additional flower planting and displays throughout the parish. As a result, Haynes entered the “Anglia in Bloom Competition”. The community working together can make things happen!

The development of a future HNP was always considered a requirement while developing the HNP. The HNPSG was formed to oversee HNP development as an integral part of the HNP. Additional government funding was sought and obtained to continue this work.

The format of our HNP considers three important areas:

- The Environment,
- Community Development and
- Village Design.

To help protect our rural environment the Greenand Trust were commissioned to produce a Green Infrastructure Plan for our Neighbourhood Plan (HNP-GIP). This comprehensive document covers the following topics: Biodiversity, Landscape, Historic Environment, Accessible Greenpace and Access Routes. This work is now complete and available to view, via our website.

The Parish of Haynes (then called Haynes) is mentioned in the Domesday Book and developed around the wooded parkland of Haynes Park – now named by “Sons of the Sea”. The houses and parkland continue to form a central and important focus of our rural parish heritage and environment.

Haynes Parish is unique in consisting of several “Thuds” and a “Steele” which have grown up around Haynes Park.

Our community initiatives, as outlined in our Parish Plan, now requires additional support for young adults, families and retired people. The most recent Haynes housing requirements survey confirms this:

How can this be achieved? The development of a HNP can help by designing and more accommodating suitable sites for development – while preserving the integrity of our rural village and community. Future village layout housing, GIL, design and architecture are important considerations for the HNP.

The HNP will form part of the larger CBC Local Plan (LP) for Central Bedfordshire. This document, after considerable consultation and debate, is in the final stages of being accepted by the government inspector. Haynes Parish is identified and correctly shown with only one possible CBC named and designated housing development site: at Mill Farm (off Northwood End Road). However, justification for this site, together with any other alternative sites, is not made.

We should all seek to ensure that any development in Haynes Parish is justified and meets the requirements of our HNP, and consequently, the Haynes community. HNP will provide a community voice to strongly oppose any speculation, ad hoc and ill-designed development proposals. The environment needs protection to ensure our rural landscape and its viewpoints are preserved for the local community and future generations.

Concerning National / BBC developments: we continue working on the HNP against the current national government’s BBC determination. We also note government’s interest in: “The corridor connecting Cambridge, Milton Keynes and Bedford must be the UK’s future valley” (The Green Triangle). Here it is proposed that housing developments exceeding 5,000 units should be considered as “Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects (NSIP)”. Our Website www.haynesparish.org continues to act as our archive of documentation. The latest draft copy of the HNP is now available for review and comment. Please visit the site to keep up to date with HNP developments. Additional publicity concerning events will also be provided in the Parish Magazine and posters located around the village.

We have been entering the more formal CBC process of submitting our HNP. Prior to this, we will hold a Haynes community meeting – most likely in the Village Hall. Here HNPSG will present the HNP and people can view paper copies of the documents and large maps of the site. The hall will also be opened to provide an information but social family evening – your support is essential.

The formal CBC legal process for the adoption of the HNP requires a Local Referendum in Haynes, to register and confirm your support. The result will be determined by a simple majority vote. The event is again likely to be held in the Village Hall.

Given your endorsement of the HNP via the referendum, it will be adopted by CBC and form part of their Local Plan for Central Bedfordshire. The HNP is not a static plan. It will act as an important framework document (It has legal significance!) for the Parish Council to judge (possibly add and amend!) all future development in Haynes Parish.

Many thanks for your continued support.

HNPSG Committee.

During 2020 additional articles were also posted: the latest were in October and November: prior to restarting our Reg. 14 Consultation.

In addition, we have organised the following additional NP advertising:

- Large NP Banners, throughout Haynes Parish
- Flyers to all households
- Posters on all Parish Council Notice Boards.
- Revision of our NP website re: important NP Documents

Haynes Neighbourhood Plan development steering groups

Haynes Parish Plan & Neighbourhood Plan Steering group (now HNPSG) were formed shortly after the completion of the Haynes Parish plan to continue development of the Haynes Parish Plan in the form of a NP. The group has had over 30 formal meetings up to the present time. Two members of HNPSG are also on the Parish Council and are responsible for group finance and reporting all HNPSG progress at all Parish Council meetings. In addition, the group has been actively monitoring all national, CBC, local and parish developments that could influence our NP development. Recent proposals for future development are now included in our report – especially relating to current road traffic issues and future problems.

The HNPSG were tasked with the following documents:

- A Basic NP document, describing the community and requirements, detailing our policies and referencing our evidence base.
- A NP Green Infrastructure Plan (NP-GIP) carried out by The Greensand Trust, a local charitable organisation and approved by CBC.
- A NP Village Design Statement (NP-VDS). These requirements were subsequently integrated into the basic NP (policy) document.

Early work on the Neighbourhood Plan sets out a vision for the Parish and sets out a number of objectives. It:

- Lists the issues to be tackled and resolved over the Plan period from 2018 to 2035, with base data from 2016;
- Sets the context for the development of policies which respond to the issues identified;
- Considers whether there should be more housing and opportunities for employment in the Parish and if so, what type of development should it be;
- Addresses transport and access issues including traffic on our roads, and the provision of public transport and opportunities for walking and cycling;
- Contains policies for the provision of community, social and leisure facilities;
- Contains policies for the protection, enhancement and creation of biodiversity - including green spaces and access to the countryside; and
- Contains policies for the protection of important buildings and our historic built assets, as well as design issues.

6. Additional Public Consultations

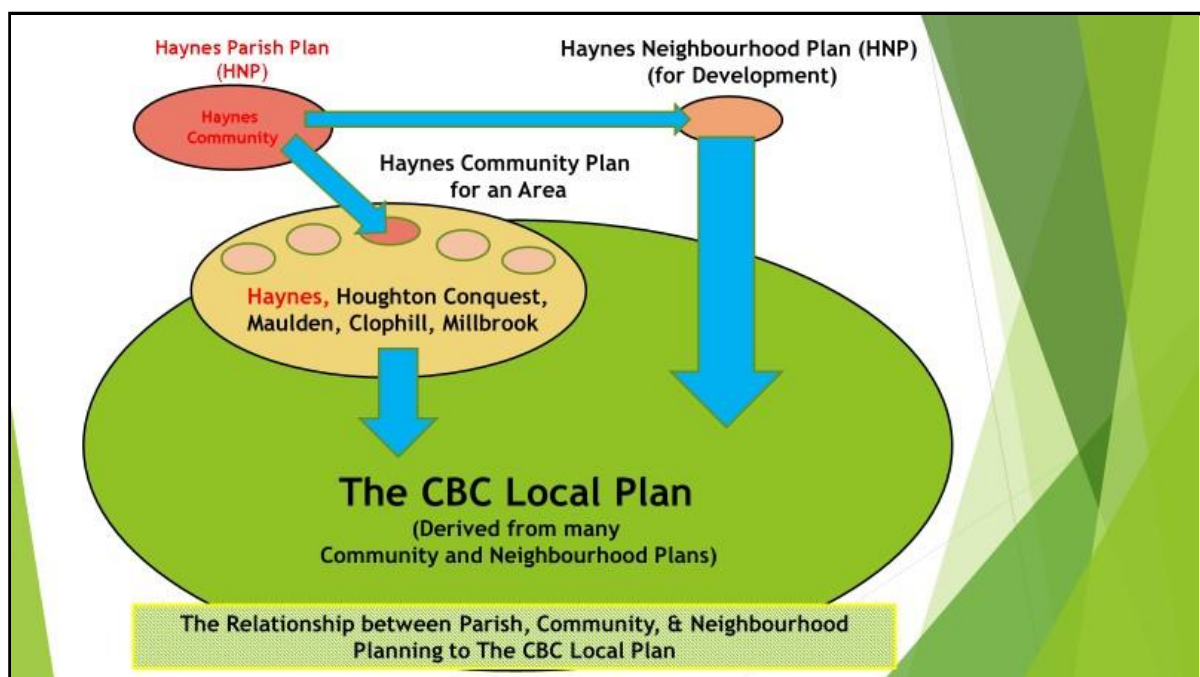
CBC Community Planning

During the development of the PP and NP, CBC introduced the concept of Community Planning, as a lead in to developing their Local Plan. Whilst carried out by CBC, and at a scale including 4 surrounding parishes, this was a useful public consultation which complimented the NP development. An event was held at Haynes Village Hall on 23rd February 2017. Full details are available on the CBC website here:

https://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/info/46/local_plan/465/community_planning/3

The community planning concept was outlined, during our public meeting(s) showing how the Parish Plan would be used to produce a NP which, when agreed, would form part of the CBC Local Plan.

Haynes Parish Plan & Neighbourhood Plan as part of The CBC Local Plan



Housing Needs Study 2016

Demographics. A comprehensive survey of Haynes housing needs was undertaken by BRCC in 2016 (we are assured that this is current until 2021), on behalf of Haynes Parish Council. This involved delivery of a questionnaire to all households in the Parish relating to housing. These findings were addressed, considered and integrated in the Housing Needs Study and our NP.

Haynes Green Infrastructure Plan (NP-GIP)

The development of the Haynes Green Infrastructure Plan was as an integral part of our NP process, led by the Greensand Trust. The Greensand Trust is an independent environmental charity that works with local communities and landowners to conserve and enhance the distinctive landscape, wildlife and history of the Greensand Ridge and wider area, improving access, understanding and enjoyment for the benefit of everyone. The Greensand Trust was established as a Registered Charity in 1999, having formerly operated as the Greensand Project since 1994. Additional detailed information can be found at: <https://www.greensandtrust.org/>

The Greensand Trust headquarters (The Woodlands Centre) are located adjacent to the Haynes Parish boundary, near Maulden Woods. They are extremely knowledgeable about Haynes parish and the surrounding area. Many people in the village support their activities at workshops and volunteer for various working parties.

The Haynes Green Infrastructure Plan comprises a technical background document to the NP and is a separately bound document and addresses:

- The Parish Environment of Haynes
- What is Green Infrastructure
- Methodology
- Community Consultation
- Thematic information (Landscape, Biodiversity, etc.)
- Historic Environment
- Local Green Space Assessment
- Open Space Access and Recreation
- Policy Recommendations
- Additional Mapping for the topics covered.

This includes as:

- Fig. 1 Context Map
- Fig. 2 Landscape Map
- Fig. 3 Biodiversity Map
- Fig. 4 Historic Environment Map
- Fig. 5 Access. Open Space and Recreational Map.
- Also mapping showing: Access to Greenspace (5a)
- Fig. 6 Local Green Space,
- Fig. 7 GI Network and Projects

Haynes Green Infrastructure Plan 2019



Produced by the Greensand Trust on behalf of the
Haynes Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and
Haynes Parish Council



The Greensand Trust were initially given a copy of the Parish Plan in the development the NP-GIP. From past experience, they formatted their NP-GIP document to meet the requirements of Neighbourhood Planning requirements. Two public meetings were held at the village hall to collect information and present work carried out to date.

A summary of the community consultation is shown below (page 9 of the NP-GIP). As part of this work, a “Haynes Green Infrastructure Questionnaire” was developed. This was made available on-line, using Survey Monkey. As required, paper copies were also provided for residents and the completed forms collected and added to the on-line survey.

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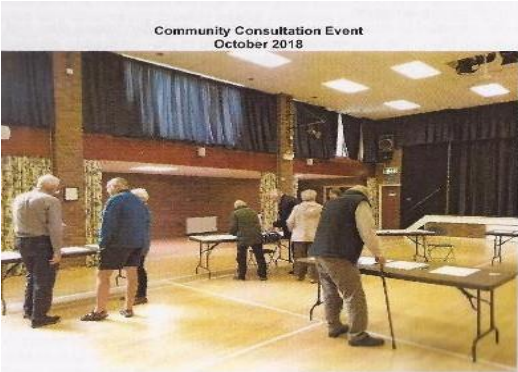
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Posters and flyers for NP-GIP Community Consultation are shown below:



An extract from the NP-GIP report, listing public consultation is shown below:

The Neighbourhood Plan – Green Infrastructure Plan (NP-GIP): Haynes Village Hall

			
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Table 1. Community Involvement			
Method of community involvement	Date	Details	Attendance/response
Drop-in GI Workshop	March 2018	- Series of map-based engagement activities involving identification of 'Favourite' views, walks, green spaces - Identification of issues and problems affecting Haynes's environment - Identification of potential solutions and projects.	56 attendees
GI Survey	March 2018	- Launched at workshop - Questions around use of green spaces and access networks, and what would like to see in terms of new.	61 completed
Drop-in Workshop 2	27 th October 2018	- Draft policies presented and dialogue encouraged to identify whether supported or not, and offering opportunity to modify. - Further identification of potential projects - Consultation on first stage of LGS process	30 attendees
Projects Questionnaire	Nov/Dec 2018	Questionnaire listing potential projects (with map) seeking community input to prioritise	26 responses
Haynes Lower School	May 2019	- Sessions with Year 4 pupils (9-10 years old) - Included mapping, field sketching, Greensand Ridge Walk, heritage and 'best/worst things'	26 pupils
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In addition to the above consultation, various elements of the previous "Haynes Parish Plan" (2016) were utilized, including specific engagement with local farmers through a 'Farmers Working Group'.			

Haynes Lower School involvement

In 2019 during the development of the NP-GIP it was decided to repeat “The Marvellous Maps Project”. This involved the children of Haynes Lower School with the countryside – mapping and walking the local footpaths, observing flora & fauna and collecting data to develop their school work. Details are included in the NP-GIP report.

The Greensand Country Landscape Partnership (GCLP)

This project had been supported by the HNPSG and Haynes Parish Council. Recently, additional parish signs have been displayed on entry to the village, to help promote “Greensand Country”. In addition, we have supported and attended such courses as “Investigating Historic Parkland in Greensand Country”: since the historic house and parkland of Haynes Park has been central to Haynes Parish development. In addition, the proximity of Warden Abbey Vineyard and The Shuttleworth Estate have also been recognised and supported by GCLP.

Business Community

The HNPSG consulted all the local businesses and Utility Companies as requested by CBC. This information (some confidential) was contained in a spreadsheet database A Typical spreadsheet segment of information held for Local Business and Utilities

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A copy of the letter that was sent to all local businesses in Jan/Feb 2019 is show below:

HAYNES PARISH COUNCIL DRAFT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

To all Businesses, Services and Utilities in Haynes

Dear Sir/Madam

Haynes Parish Council are working with Central Bedfordshire Council in developing a Neighbourhood Plan which will influence and determine future decisions and developments of Haynes Village life for the next 15 years. If you would like details and information on Neighbourhood Plans then please refer to the Central Bedfordshire website at: www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk and type in "neighbourhood planning" in the search box and when the screen appears select either "Preparing a Neighbourhood Plan" and/or "Introduction to Neighbourhood Planning".

Access to Haynes Neighbourhood Draft Plan

In accordance with legal requirements for the Neighbourhood Plan to become a statutory document all local businesses, services and utilities within the Parish of Haynes need to be aware of where to access the Neighbourhood Plan for Haynes at; www.haynesvillage.com where you will find full details of the Draft Haynes Neighbourhood Plan, if you wish to access it and study its contents.

The Draft Neighbourhood Plan succeeds and replaces the Haynes Parish Plan completed in 2016 following detailed discussion and consultation with all villagers over a period of 12 months. The Draft Neighbourhood Plan includes the relevant detail from the 2016 Parish Plan.

The Draft Neighbourhood plan includes:

A basic description and requirements section. A green infrastructure plan including: A description of Village green spaces prepared by the Greensand Trust, and A village design statement.

The policies contained in the neighbourhood Plan are open to review and comment and should you wish to comment or have any concerns then please contact the following members of the steering group by email:

Chairman: Peter Hickman peter.hickman@btinternet.com or

Brian Oertel: brianvalerioertel@btinternet.com or

Robert Robertson: robert@rhr-associates.co.uk

or John Goodge: rgoodge@aol.com

AndrewPhillips: agphillips@live.com

Yours faithfully,

Peter Hickman, Brian Oertel, Robert Robertson, John Goodge, Andrew Phillips

7. Outcomes of Consultation and how they have been taken into account

During the development of the PP it was suggested that Haynes should have a Community Garden.

Plans were developed as a continuing part of the NP-GIP “Green Spaces” research and planning. A simple survey was carried out to obtain the community preferences for a garden, as shown below:

Planning the future of Haynes village: Community Garden

Planning the future of Haynes village
Help shape the future of Haynes!

Are you a resident of Haynes? Yes ☐ No ☐

What would you expect to have in the hub of the village, such as a pub, café, play area?

What is your favourite village (apart from Haynes!), and why?

To enter the prize draw, please leave your name and number.
Name:
Mobile/tel:

A Village Green
Three possible options for a Haynes village green are marked on the map.
Please circle which you think would work best for the village.
Or add your own suggestion!

Option 1
Option 2
Option 3
Haynes
Playing Field

The results of the survey indicated that the Community Garden should be located (on Parish Council owned land) next to the children’s play area and Village Hall.

The Community Garden is now established and has recently won commendations in The Anglia In Bloom competition.

The comprehensive set of Haynes Parish Action Plans (listed at the back of the Haynes Parish Plan) have all been actioned and implemented as appropriate.

8. Implementing of NP Regulation 14

A formal statement of our plan was sent to Central Bedfordshire Council (CBC) on 28th October 2020.

Our special “Engagement Strategy” Plan (given the national COVID-19 Pandemic!) was drafted with the help of CBC and subsequently approved by them. A copy of the plan was posted on our website - for public information. Given the national Pandemic, we were unable to hold any NP public meetings or drop-in sessions: in complying with government COVID-19 requirements. For reference, a summary of our Engagement Strategy plan is given below.

Background:

Haynes Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group had envisaged and planned to commence Regulation 14 consultation on the Draft Haynes Parish Neighbourhood Plan around Easter 2020. However, the Covid-19 pandemic (a global health emergency), meant it was not possible for the consultation to be conducted under normal circumstances. This was further complicated by changing and unclear government advice on conducting possible consultations “face-to-face” during the pandemic. HNPSG therefore decided to postpone face-to-face consultation until conditions improved and advice was clearer. The Steering Group have at all times consulted with CBC and Locality, as appropriate, on matters associated with the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan: Funding, Content, Technical Support and Consultation.

General Approach:

Normally, consultation would take place; in line with the Gunning Principles of The Local Government Association (LGA). Given the Coronavirus situation, Central Bedfordshire Council gave further guidance dated 8th July 2020. The Coronavirus pandemic is an ongoing situation and the Steering Committee were aware that the situation could quickly change; and further restrictions could apply.

Our Engagement Strategy endeavoured to use face-to-face drop-in sessions, with suitable precautions if this could be done safely at a suitable venue. However, this was not possible. Consequently, a revised and successful engagement strategy was deployed, using additional publicity and information technology.

Timescales:

The draft Haynes Neighbourhood Plan had for some time been approved (early 2020) by Haynes Parish Council. Consequently, HNPSG decided to push ahead with further processing the Draft NP – even in difficult circumstances!

Our formal Regulation 14 Consultation commenced in November extending into December 2020:

Monday 2nd November to Monday 21st December 2020

This consultation was extended from the normal 6 weeks to 8 weeks (by CBC): given the national COVID-19 circumstances. During this time an extensive NP publicity campaign was launched using Flyers (500off), Posters (Parish Council Notice Boards) and Large Banners (6off - 6*3ft) – moved and deployed at up to 9 parish locations.

During this time, consultation (following the extensive publicity) was possible using our website, email and telephone calls.

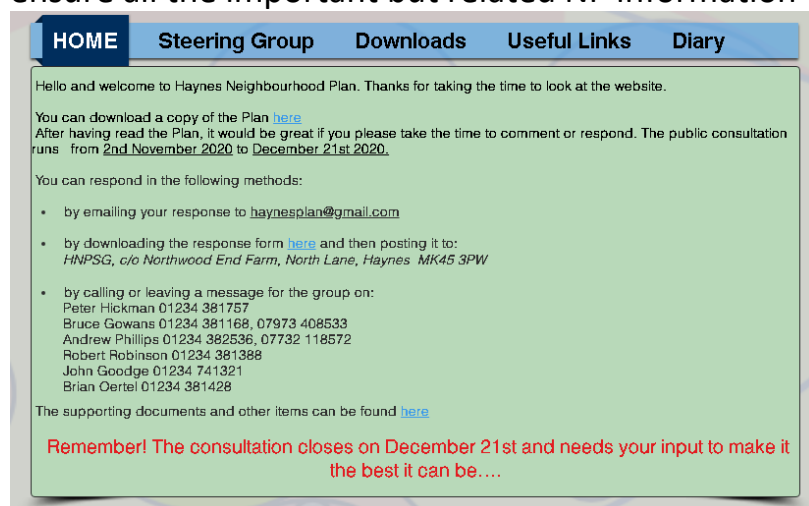
Then Christmas intervened!

Please Note. Additional information was provided in our initial Engagement Strategy Report under the following headings: Methodology; Drop-In Sessions; Alternative Arrangements and Flexibility.

Given the above restrictions, we believe that a comprehensive community consultation was achieved on the Draft Neighbourhood Plan; using extensive publicity and information technology, as already stated.

Changes were made to our website at: www.haynesvillage.com

Following discussions with CBC and some residents we revised our website format to ensure all the important but related NP information was made more easily accessible.



Additional Parish Publicity.

- This was provided using Large Banners (6off – 1800*900mm: 6*3ft), Posters (on all PC Notice Boards) and Flyers (500off) which were distributed throughout Haynes parish. In addition, the Parish Council sought to personally inform all community interest groups in the village about NP Regulation 14 requirements. This included Neighbourhood Watch, Haynes Lower School and internet online groups like “Facebook”. In Addition, two HNPSG articles were also included in the Haynes Parish Magazine (for Oct. & Nov. 2020). These were also uploaded to our website for general reference.

Feedback from Regulation 14 Consultation.

This included:

- Telephone contact: all contact was recorded, documented and sent to haynesplan@gmail.com - for reference.
- Postal contact: (including the use, of our NP Consultation Feedback Form)
- Website and e-mail contact: all community responses were sent to haynesplan@gmail.com – for subsequent analysis.
- Local Business & Utility contact: referencing our Website, email, Flyer, Poster and Large Banner publicity – especially during the Regulation 14 timeframe.

. Reporting & Analysis of all the Regulation 14 Consultation: (January 2021)

This was compiled in a spreadsheet and tabular format, for easy reference and analysis from all sources. The information was based on emails to the account haynesplan@gmail.com

9. Responses

In total 7 organisations responded (including Central Bedfordshire Council) and 21 residents, including 1 anonymous resident. The responses and how they have been dealt with are set out in the tables below.

Respondent	Comments (Summarised)	Response	Change to NP?
Anglian Water	The Neighbourhood Plan includes a number of policies to be used in the determination of planning applications, but no sites are proposed as part of this consultation. No comments to make in relation to the current consultation.	Noted	-
National Grid	There is a gas transmission pipeline in the Parish	Noted	-
Historic England	Have no capacity to comment	Noted	-
Natural England	No comments		-
Herts County Council	HCC Highways Overall the document is very light on all things active travel.	Haynes Parish is not within Herts CC.	
	Policy D1: The Design of New Development does not include any specific requirements for the provision of walking or cycling to help encourage their use even for local trips. The only reference appears to be included within the requirement for convenient well screened storage for bins and motor vehicles.	These issues are covered elsewhere in the NP and in the Local Plan	-
	Section 11 does not include mention of any measures to encourage walking or cycling to school in preference to the car, which should be local trips as this is a lower school. The focus seems to be on developing traffic management and increasing car parking. If there was a modal shift this would reduce congestion, avoid the need for extra parking and be beneficial to both the individuals attending the school, local residents and the environment going some way to addressing traffic issues listed in 11.4.	There are difficulties in emphasising walking to school because the village is not well served by pavements.	-
	Paragraph 11.6 disappointingly states “Accordingly, there is limited public transport and the use of the private car to access work, local facilities and services is critical to residents.” Use of the car can be essential for some users and some trips however, active modes (cycling and walking) can be workable alternatives for many short trips particularly those to local facilities and services which are mentioned and also local employment where it exists. Policy TT1 includes highway safety and the need to avoid vehicular/pedestrian conflict. It also mentions that where proposed	There are safety issues with walking and cycling in this Parish due to the lack of pavements and speed of traffic on	-

	new footpaths should complement the rural character of the village. This would again appear to be a lost opportunity in terms of actively encouraging modal shift and making active travel both accessible and attractive for existing and future residents.	the rural roads	
		Noted, above applies.	-
	11.9 comments on the need for car parking linked to the shop and Policy TT2 encourages the provision of additional car parking. Again this approach can only increase and encourage use of the private car even for short local trips where walking or cycling could be alternatives.	There are safety issues with walking and cycling in this Parish due to the lack of pavements and speed of traffic on the rural roads	-
	11.11 and 11.12 seek to promote pedestrian and cyclist safety which is important however, they do not comment on the need for the provision of routes, connections, cycle parking, seating for rest or any other measures to encourage their use or to make them attractive. Use of active travel modes benefits both the community and individuals in terms of the local environment, air quality and health and wellbeing. It can also provide opportunities to socialise and provide financial benefits in terms of reduced car use for the individual and potential increased foot fall for the shop.	Noted, sentence added to text and policy	Amended
	Policy TT3 mainly concentrates on Walking/Cycling and there are no measures to show how they can improve the frequency of the bus service, bus infrastructure or improvement on the actual buses (air quality point of view) in order to encourage more usage. So NPPF Paragraph 110a has not been implemented in Policy TT3 completely.	Rural bus service provision is unlikely to be improved as there is little large scale development in this rural parish that could contribute to bus services.	-
Haynes Park	Change “a global faith-based charity” to “an international Spiritual Society”.	Agreed	Amended
	7.13.Delete “dead-end-path”	Agreed	Amended
	10.2.change “and now hosts the UK headquarters of a global faith bases religious charity” to “and now hosts the UK headquarters of Science of the Soul, a spiritual organisation based on the teachings of all religions”.	Agreed	Amended
	(Paragraph 11.3: Update the section as follows:)	Agreed	Amended

	“Currently Haynes Park (Science of the Soul) holds in August each year a three-day conference in a large tent for the benefit of their supporters. On occasion one second event may be held in the spring. Up to 17,000 people can attend and the event receives special traffic management services to alleviate congestion in Church End Road. Public consultation took place in 2020, following which a planning application has been submitted for permission to replace the temporary (old) tent structure with a large, permanent meeting hall, capable of supporting up to 25,000 people. There is local concern about the increase in traffic such a building might generate. However, Science of the Soul have confirmed to Central Bedfordshire Council that the proposed development will not lead to increased levels of use as it is intended simply to improve and formalise existing events. To this end, both a Transport Statement and a Transport Management and Travel Plan have been included as part of their proposals.”		
	7.8. Policy NE2: Views We are of the view that the significance of the listed building will be preserved as a result of the sensitive approach to the location and design of the proposed new Meeting Hall. Therefore the proposed development for a new Meeting Hall is consistent with the approach outlined in Policy NE2 (Views).	Noted	-
Chilterns Conservation Board	Too far away for the CCB to comment	Noted	-
Resident 1	I have looked at the proposed plan which is, in my view, a well written document that I would support. Thanks to all concerned for taking note of residents preferences. The key is to keep the development of the village to small sustainable ones that provide houses for families and first time buyers and includes some affordable homes. While maintaining the character of our village.	Noted, thank you	-
Resident 2	Rook Tree Meadow is very important part of the green space in our village & definitely needs putting on the plan & protecting	Noted, Policy NE4 protects accessible open and recreational spaces	-
Resident 3	Request a village sports complex, at least 1 adult size football pitch, changing facilities and showers for between 4 teams and potential for a bar/social area. Real Haynes FC	Noted, reference made in text and Policy NE4 to encourage new recreation facilities in line with Parish Plan	Amended
Resident 4	Plan looks good	Thank you	

Resident 5	1. Paragraph 3.11 I understand that the local shop has reopened without a post office.	Noted	Amended
	2. Paragraph 7.8 The extensive views over Haynes Park from Church End have been severely restricted through the erection and growth of high hedges on the Park's boundary. This is a symbolic reflection of the fact that despite the very occasional 'open day', the owners have little or no connection with the interests of local residents. The parkland is highlighted in the Plan as 'the most prominent heritage asset in the parish (paragraph 10.2) but is totally closed off to local residents. Some form of limited access to the parkland would be a wonderful amenity for local residents and could be referred to in the Plan as an aspiration.	Noted, hedgerow maintenance is not a land use issue and cannot be addressed through the NP. Request for access is noted, the GI Plan provided aspirations.	-
	3. Paragraph 7.11 The orchard in North Lane has largely been destroyed by the construction of two new dwellings, in direct contradiction of the biodiversity policy NE3 set out in paragraph 7.12.	Noted unfortunately this has occurred before the NP is in place	-
	4. Paragraph 7.19 There is no reference to the field opposite the houses from 74 to 90 Silver End Road which is widely used by walkers (including dog walkers) and has been the subject of a number of proposed housing developments.	This is not mentioned in the GI Plan	-
	5. Paragraph 8 Should the results of the recent (2020) Housing Needs Survey be referenced, rather than the much older 2016 survey? There is no mention of the proposed major development in the field adjacent to North Lane and whether and how this is compatible with the criteria in policy D1 and the biodiversity policy NE3.	Agreed, changes made to reference the HNS.	Amended
	6. Paragraphs 11.11 and 11.12 There is no specific reference to the urgent need for more pedestrian paths and cycle paths outside the areas which have pavements, including in Plummers Lane, Northwood End Road and Church End Road. The Covid-19 restrictions have resulted in a much heavier use of these routes by local walkers and cyclists seeking exercise opportunities near to home.	Agreed, references added	
Resident 6		Support	Noted
Resident 7	Support, excellent well considered. Throughout the piece, the word 'should' has been used in describing what is expected to be done in certain circumstances. I suggest that this would carry more weight if the word 'shall' was used instead. An example of this can be found	'Should' and 'shall' are the same in terms of	-

	on Page 30 in Policy NE4 and in other places throughout the document.	weight. The word 'must' has been used where it can be used as requirements for policies	
	I am also concerned that the word 'ideally' has been used to qualify the requirements with regard to small scale mixed developments. Why not just leave it out?	Agreed, deleted	Amended
	Next, in paragraph 6.6 on Page 22 it is stated that Northwood End\Silver End is to be reclassified as a large village. What implication does this have for the village as a whole and what does being reclassified as open countryside actually mean?	This is a factual account of part of the Local Plan and has resulted in the housing allocation.	-
	In paragraph 7.12 on Page 28 it is stated that owners and managers of pastureland and orchards should be 'encouraged' to extend this grassland wherever possible. If owners and managers are only to be encouraged what form will this 'encouragement' take. Would it not be better to substitute the word 'required' for 'encouraged'?	This cannot be required by planning legislation.	-
	I am slightly confused by a comment made in paragraph 10.2 on Page 40 where it is stated that 'The Society retains its private but close connection with the Haynes community' Why is the connection kept private - would it not be better for the sentence to read 'The Society maintains its privacy but keeps a close connection with the Haynes community'.	Agreed	Amended
	My final and possibly most important comment relates to paragraph 11.4 on Page 44 which covers access to Haynes Lower School. It is stated that there are currently access problems to the school in Rooktree Way and Forresters Close while speculating that the number of pupils could increase from 120 to 230, without, so far as I can see, any supporting reasons for this increase in numbers. Also, at the top of page 45 it is stated that consideration is being given to giving direct vehicular access from the A600 to the school. My concern here is, once the road giving access is established, this will open up the scope for major developments along its length.	Noted, but this is simply a reference so that if the expansion goes ahead, there are options for alternative access. This part of the Parish is outside the Settlement Envelope	-

		and unlikely to be the target of major development.	
Resident 8	Support. 1. Settlement Envelopes, point 6.6: 'They have been reviewed through the emerging Local Plan in January 2018. (Settlement Envelope Review 2018). Haynes main village (which comprises Silver End and Northwood End) has a Settlement Envelope as shown on the Policies Map (Appendix 1) and is classified in the emerging Local Plan as a 'Large Village'. Previously in the existing development plan, Haynes was classified as a Small Village and this reclassification remains controversial with residents given the relative paucity of facilities and services'. Given that there have been no major housing developments since Longden Close, Rooktree Way and Howard Close (ref: 8.4/5), the latest of which was completed nearly 40 years ago, it is very difficult to understand how the village has been recently reclassified as a 'large village' when neither it's housing stock or businesses have changed much in the last 40 years. Was a mistake made this time? Or last time? Or have the council changed the parameters significantly? Can it be challenged? As the Local Plans require larger scale development in 'Large Villages', this reclassification clearly can have a huge impact on the scale of development of this rural village. The National Geographic Society states: 'A village is a small settlement usually found in a rural setting. ... It is generally larger than a "hamlet" but smaller than a "town". Some geographers specifically define a village as having between 500 and 2,500 inhabitants. Haynes' population was recorded at just under 1200 in the last census (2011). This sits in the lower half of the banding as defined by the National Geographic society which would confirm that the correct classification is indeed 'small village'. If Haynes was correctly classified as a 'small village' development would be limited to infill development, which would be appropriate to maintain the character of the village, and bearable for the infrastructure.	This is a Local Plan matter and cannot be challenged through the Neighbourhood plan process. It was pursued through the Local Plan process at the time by the Parish Council.	-
	2. Natural environment, point 7. There is no mention here of the hunting grounds we have on the land South of Northwood End Rd for Red Kites, Kestrels & Barn owls – is it not mentioned because it has not been designated a site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)? Are these not factors that would be considered in designating it a SSSI?	Designating an SSSI is not a NP function	
	3. Housing, point 8.9 Does it need to be made clear that although CBC have found a site that they have proposed is suitable for development, that it still needs to be assessed and go through the planning application process?	Noted	-

	Where a site is allocated in The Plan, it still must submit a planning application to the Council and provide the usual required information depending on the site size, nature of the development etc. In particular for this land, a detailed site survey (field work) would need to be commissioned to determine if the land is actually grade 3a or 3b. (The neighbouring fields are grade 2 and I have been advised that it is extremely unlikely that fields separated by a single road are going to be 2 grades different (except for pollution etc), and this land has previously been graded as 'high grade agricultural' (using the DEFRA definitions for land value)). Detailed land grading is usually a requirement if there is a planning application to develop the land, and we need to ensure it is included. While the CBC site allocation process included an assessment, which addressed whether the site was 'suitable, available and achievable for allocation', the data provided to CBC (by Natural England) at the time of assessment did not specify a differentiation between Grades 3a and 3b, therefore CBC were unable to state in the assessment which category this land sat in. All land that is graded as 1, 2 or 3a is considered 'Best and Most Versatile Land', and the Council's Local Plan includes a policy (DC5) which encourages development away from Best and Most Versatile Land if possible. Whilst CBC may have identified this site as being the least harmful in the immediate area in regard to impact on agricultural land, if it is still in fact grade 3a or above, it should not be developed.		
	Policy H1: 8.13 It is worth keeping an eye on the detail of the wording & scoring process around how the priority is given to 'those with connections to the Parish' as I know of an instance in a neighbouring Parish where a newly widowed, full time working lady with a toddler who had lived in her village for 15+ years (and was heavily reliant on her neighbourhood for support and child care) was gazumped for housing by a gentleman who also 'had a connection' to the village (his brother lived there), because he had more points <u>in total</u> than she did (though far less need to be immediately rehoused to that particular area). This was 10 years ago, and I believe the uproar it caused in the village when this man was awarded the house (and she was going to have to leave the area) led to the wording / scoring being changed, so that the 'Parish connection' became a primary factor with other scoring becoming secondary to that (rather than all scoring being lumped together – 'Parish connection' being a part of that, but one of many parts). However, I am mentioning it anyway, as such details could be changed again, leading to very different outcomes – so it's worth being aware of.	Noted this is not a matter that the NP can influence	-
	Archaeology, point 10.6 The list of Historic Environment Records can be found at Appendix 2 of the Haynes Green Infrastructure Plan. I am unable to see either of the historic sites HER 15536 & HER 19624 on the 'historic environment map' in the Haynes 2019 Green Infrastructure Plan. Is this a mistake or is there a reason they are not included? Or perhaps the map being used is out of date? (Which may mean other things are missing too). HER Number: 15536 Site Name: HILL FARM (post 1839), Northwood End Road	Noted, the HER remains the HER and can be accessed in a variety of ways, not just	-

	The Hill Farm model farm complex is of interest since it seems to be one not built by the Duke of Bedford: Model farms not built for the Duke of Bedford are quite rare in Bedfordshire National Grid Reference Centred TL 1030 4175 (92m by 89m) TL14SW Record Type: Building A mid 19th century gault brick farmhouse and farmstead of Model Farm plan. Built after 1839 to replace an earlier Hill Farm nearby (HER19624). These historical sites are especially relevant, as they are located on the proposed development site HAS22, which could affect any potential development there, as detailed in the neighbourhood plan: 10.7 & 10.9 It does state in Appendix 2 that 'Due to the scale of this map, only Listed Buildings are shown', but 48 sites are then listed, and at 10.4 in the HPNP , it states that there are 17 listed buildings in Haynes, so that leads me to believe that sites other than listed buildings are on the list/map, and therefore sites 15536 & 19624 should be added to the list/map too, as they seem similar to other items on it.	through the GI Plan.	
	Also, at point 7.10, there is a typo - corridors should be corridors.	Typo corrected	Amended
	Traffic & transport, point 11.4/5 In the Haynes Parish Plan finalised 03/01/17, it states that 'Just over half the respondents thought additional parking was required for the school, either at the village hall with a paved walkway (32%) or at the A600 with a walkway (20%)' As access to the school may dictate the longer-term development of the principle settlement envelope of Haynes, I feel I should highlight the unsuitableness of using the village hall car park as a permanent solution for school parking. The entrance is only wide enough for one vehicle to pass through it at a time, so, when busy, this 'one in/one out' system results in substantial congestion both on Northwood End Road and in the car park, with people waiting to get in and out. Anyone who has manned the parking at the village hall for events could verify this. Also, the visibility when leaving the car park is poor, vehicles have to be already pulling out onto the road before they can clearly see left and right. This is already a risk to children walking in this area to use the play area, and increasing use at school drop off/pick up times would further exacerbate this. If we are at a point where car access for the school is a major influence on how the village envelope may develop, I feel having a school car park at the village hall should be discounted as a potential parking solution for the school.	Noted	-

	I understand that CBC has launched its own property development company which is now responsible for selecting publicly owned land, site surveys, applying for planning permission, design & layout of the houses and getting them built. CBC is of course also the Local Planning Authority which will make the decisions on whether to approve these developments. CBC has drawn up an initial list of sites to develop, and the HAS22 site in Haynes is one of them. Should this land be developed, the profits would go to CBC, so in my opinion there is a clear conflict of interest. Apparently, there is already case history of an application from the authority to itself receiving approval, despite missing noise and air pollution assessments and an overall reduction in biodiversity. As a village, we need to ensure they don't push through developments that are not appropriate and ignore important information that does not suit their agenda. I can see the development at HAS22 going ahead, even though the soil grading alone probably meant it should never have made it through the initial assessments in 2018. We will then have forever lost this high-quality farm land at a time when we should be increasing our ability to produce our own food in the UK.	This is the respondent's opinion	-
Resident 9	Unfortunately it's inevitable with the rising housing needs that extra housing is being demanded but of course we are not happy to see more buildings and activity being introduced to our village taking away green and clean spaces. Our villagers are very health conscious and enjoy walking around the roads leading in and out of the village. Northwood End Road, Standalone Warren and Plummers Lane being a favourite. But the increased traffic speeding through between the A6 and A600 is becoming more dangerous and unsafe for walkers and bikers to relax and get fit. Also there is huge increase in usage of the bike park and dangerous turning of cars around the meeting of Northwood End Road and Standalone Warren. This has become a real nuisance and many times obstruction and blockages occur as the bikers take risks turning their cars around. Also the whole bike park has become an ongoing concern: noise pollution when their competitions take place spoiling our peaceful Sunday afternoons. Extra traffic which causes obstruction on pavements around the area ... MUCH worse during lockdown! Also there seems no toilet facilities which is a health hazard. I would like to suggest some sort of one way system from Northwood End Road/ Standalone Warren and Plummers Lane with traffic calming facilities.	Noted, the impact of the Covid situation has been added in the text and facilities encouraged to be provided	Amended
Resident 10	1. Education (p. 14): I'm curious to know why Robert Bloomfield Academy hasn't been mentioned as a feeder school alongside Samuel Whitbread Academy and Redborne? CBC's three-tier school system is due to be replaced in 2023 with a two-tier system and I wonder whether this section of the HNP should talk about feeder schools in more general terms, given that current information supplied in this document will soon be out of date. Perhaps it doesn't matter?	This may change over time and is general information	-

	2. Conservation: Would it be neater if this section was called 'Heritage' to reflect the associated policy termed 'Heritage'? I think that it would make the subject of this section of the HNP clearer to the reader.	Agreed, changed	Amended
	3. Could the sub-heading 'Designated Heritage Assets' be 'Heritage Assets' instead, as you talk about non-designated here as well? Or perhaps having a separate heading for non-designated HA would provide the opportunity to talk about the locally listed built heritage assets and archaeological heritage assets concentrated in Northwood End a bit more. It is the part of the village most likely to see development in the future, but I feel that all the focus on heritage concerns Church End.	Agreed	Amended
Resident 11	Page 8: Why EU regulations? 3.11: Farming is a business GIP Northwood End Farm access may not be extended after 30/9/21	Noted, reference to EU deleted	-
Resident 12	Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the Neighbourhood Plan. I would like to thank the team for the hard work and expertise that has gone into such a well researched and presented piece of work. My only real disagreement is on the assessment of future housing needs. This was to a large extent based on the BRCC report which, I believe, had a number of deficiencies that I have referred to in my response. I understand Central Beds are repeating the process using (unfortunately) a similar type of Consultant. I would stress two points about future housing: 1. Feedback from the residents in 2016 indicated that 50% wanted no further housing whereas the other 50% preferred small scale development up to about 30 homes. However: · Under Central Beds. draft local plan approximately 22 houses are planned for a site to the east of Hill Farm (Ref HA26) · Additionally, planning permission has been granted for the conversion of existing barns at Hill Farm into 5 houses. · A further 3 houses have been built at Haynes Turn on the A600 · A further 3 houses have been built on North Lane Thus, with regard to those who felt in 2016 there should be more housing in Haynes (around 30 units), that number has already been exceeded. 2. As referred to above there is a proposal (HA26) to build 29 homes on what appears to be a Rural Exception site (it is outside the village envelope). Given the revised estimates shown above, this site could meet both affordable and open market housing needs for the foreseeable future and provide the desired Housing Mix referred to in 8.14.	The chapter has been revised to reflect the 2020 Housing Needs Survey	Amended

	It is vitally important that the future housing needs of the village are not overstated as this will increase pressure on our precious green open spaces.		
Resident 13	Every project to help the village needs support. Fears the village population may have decreased, the village needs people	Noted	-
Resident 14	Excellent NP. I found the Settlement Envelope map hard to read in that the envelope was not clearly defined.	Noted	-
	2. In regards outstanding views of the parish, I personally would add the view from the top of the first field from Appley Wood Corner looking back on the village i.e. to Northwood End. This view is from the Greensand Ridge Walk. It is really an excellent view.	The key views were defined in the GI Plan	-
	3. The P3 Seat Walk - I think this needs more detail	Noted	-
	4. Paragraph 7.11 - the Old Orchard in NL sadly no longer exists. Is there a point to its reference now?	Noted, deleted	Amended
	5. Paragraph 7.13 - the Open Space at Haynes Park is referred to in a manner, which I see little point in mentioning. It says it is an open space although private with a single public path which is a dead end. I do not know the history of this but it does infer Haynes Park are preventing access when it may well be a rights of way issue with an adjacent land owner or simply a throughway never existed.	Noted, reference to dead end deleted	Amended
	6. Paragraph 7.19 - this refers to a proposed list of designated green spaces. I note Northwood End farm is mentioned i.e. access land. With this in mind, were other farms and land owners consulted as they may wish to be included?	All landowners of the identified LGS were notified	-
	7. Paragraph 11.3 - this refers to the 'considerable' local concerns regarding the traffic management at Haynes Park particularly if their new build is approved. I share these concerns but think it is unfair to say this unless Haynes Park are referenced a response. They have consistently said the new dome will not be used more often than already exists and I do not think their already efficient traffic management systems would lapse with an increase in attendees. I hope Haynes Park will respond to this matter, and their views are appropriately considered in this Plan.	The Np has been amended as per comments received from Haynes Park	Amended
	8. This is an obvious one but depending on receipt of the Parish Council's request for a new Housing Needs Survey, the Plan may need amending. I suspect the new HNS will be very similar to the 2016 version so may not create too much more work, if any.	Section amended	-
	9. Were permissions sought for the pictures to be included in the Plan? I am not sure of the legality of this but common courtesy would suggest we would have asked.	Comment noted	-
	10. I would urge you to proof read this document as there are several typing errors.	Noted	Typos changed
Resident (anonymous)	I have read the Plan with great interest, and found it easy to read and very informative, a credit to its authors. On the whole I generally agree with its vision and objectives. One specific point I would wish to emphasise is that if the school is expanded by 300 pupils then it is imperative that better parking and access is provided. I endorse the	Noted	-

	idea of direct access from the A600 to the school. I accept that the village must provide for extra affordable housing, in order to maintain a good cross section of residents.		
Resident 15	Having had a look at the plan I would fully support all the proposals. The only issue I have is the plan to withdraw some of the permitted access around Haynes Park with would be a loss to Church End residents, and others in the village who regularly make us of the access.	Noted	-
Resident 16	Congratulations to all on the Parish plan and speaking as a villager, thank you for all the hard work and time that the working parties have put in to this - it is much appreciated by myself and I am sure the rest of the village. The history and heritage (draft) are fascinating and it is really good to see this addressed and an important part of plan. The final document is very professional with some great ideas to how to keep improving the village. I think one of the areas that is concerning for me is the lack of young people and families and I think there needs to be more consideration into this area and as well the sustainability of community facilities. The current and ongoing covid situation will have long lasting changes in society particularly in home-working and commuting. Typically, people may be looking at the community atmosphere and community facilities as an important part of their reason to locate somewhere as they may be spending more of their time in the community. Typically, people will not need to commute as much so the choice of where someone will live is not so dependent on time of commute or distance from a railway station. Suddenly towns such as Cirencester (over an hour half from London) are seeing increase in popularity and increase in house prices as commute time to becomes less important. Haynes, in my view, has a situation where the main community facilities are generally struggling: • The Village Hall - out dated and has dwindling fitness for purpose particularly compared with many other villages • Public house – great that it has been refurbished and a great facility, but is it pulling in enough revenue to survive long term ? • Village Shop – great that is open again, but again will it have enough footfall to survive long term ? • The School – I don't know enough about numbers and the whole catchment area, but judging by the reduction of families and young people it cannot be ideal and in general it would seem that the school could ideally do with improvements to general facilities and car parking and possible expansion to accommodate more year groups. My question to the above would be what critical mass (in terms of numbers of people and including age and socio-economic profile) do we need to make the above community facilities future proofed? So for instance – • The village hall is perhaps redeveloped as something like an eco hub (eg Gamlingay example). A multi-functional community space possibly dovetailing so that the school could benefit from being able to use some of the facilities	Noted, the Np seeks to retain community facilities. Comments noted on the LGS, these were evaluated through a robust process through the GI Plan.	-

	(school assembly hall?) . A meeting area ideally with café and rooms for hire. Ideally a youth room / tech room established to give more support to the young people in the community as part of trying to avoid drugs becoming a growing issue in the community. Ideally a business/work hub area to support people in the community who are home working. • Public house – having footfall to survive and thrive. • Village Shop – having footfall to survive and thrive. • School – good facilities to encourage numbers and relevant family/age profile in the village to support critical mass. The above is my view and would need substantiating with proper appraisal, but I really do feel that the quality of community facilities will become of ever-increasing importance to the village's significance, community atmosphere and in order to attract a well ranged community profile. (particularly in terms of age and bringing in families). In summary, I think covid will have an impact on what villages and communities need and require in the future. I think the plan has to be careful that it doesn't become too protectionist in terms of development. I appreciate that few existing residents are likely to vote for development, but I think it is important that the village is mindful that high quality community facilities need a critical mass of population for them to work well. Other comments – designated green space (from the draft) I don't think that the area in silver end road (7) justifies being designated as a green space, it is a piece of agricultural land rented to one individual - appreciate and declare my conflict of interest. Similarly (20), not sure about the reference and significance of the strip named as an old orchard as I don't believe there is anything left of the orchard.		
Resident 17	I have read through the draft document and believe that in general it sets out good objectives in attempting to ensure that Haynes remains a rural village. The policy statements are in the main reasonably succinct, but editorial changes should be done to reduce the length of some sentences. I also found that aspects of the supporting descriptive matter also needed some editorial work and in a few cases there is a repetition of facts.	Noted	-
Resident 18	Local Green Spaces. It was many years after I moved to Haynes that I ventured down North Lane and the views were indeed amazing on the sunny day and the farm was immaculately kept. However, we only mention access to Northwood Farm Access Land. Are there any other farms that should be mentioned? Photographs and Illustrations. I could not recognise some of these. Please could consideration be given to a description or footnote for these. They could be anywhere, but a footnote by them would make them particular to Haynes. West End sign photograph. This has algae growing on it and whilst I appreciate that it could be argued that there is only algae because the air is fresh and not polluted, it may be better to rephotograph	Noted. Text relating to Haynes Park has been reviewed and changes included. Text on footpaths, pavements and access to them has been	Amended

	the sign after cleaning. Having made the suggestion, I am happy to do so. I appreciate the work that has gone into the plan. The photograph below is to show the Children's play area in the Village. The background of the Village Hall (brick wall and glass) I feel perhaps detracts from the climbing frame. Could consideration be given to using a photograph taken from a different angle? Perhaps from the front of the slide looking towards the car park. Haynes Park. "..now hosts the UK headquarters of a global, faith based religious charity." I believe that it is a Spiritual organisation. To say that it is religious in the document may inadvertently give the incorrect impression to the Parish residents that it is of a particular religion. People can, perhaps understandably, be particular about their religion and about the places of religion that they attend, their churches, temples etc. However, SOS is about spirituality with teachings from all religions, Christian, Sikh, Islam, Judaism, Buddhism and other religious teachings. It is clear from our tour and invitation last year that all are welcome to the spiritual teachings at SOS regardless of religion. It is an international spiritual organisation and it should be reflected as such in our NPNP. "...in the middle of the parish, but is privately owned and not accessible, with the exception of a single public footpath (which is a dead-end path)." I am not sure of the accuracy this statement. Whilst it is a privately owned organisation it is more open and accessible than many other private organisations. They are open and engaging and wish to be part of, and support, the local community. Their actions over the many years have demonstrated this. Just recently there was an excellent re-union for former pupils and staff. My understanding is that there is an excellent relationship with St Mary's Church and further access is always agreed when necessary for Church events. Also, there are many footpaths which come to an end, perhaps because there are issues regarding land ownership, and further access is not possible or 'allowed'. This is hardly a fault of SOS and may come across as such. Comments regarding SOS should accurately reflect their engagement, support and contribution to the Parish. "Currently, Haynes Park (RSSB), for a few days in August, each year holds two extensive 1-day conferences, in a large tent.." My understanding from when I first came to the village was that there were in actual fact two annual events at SOS, around April/May and then in August. During the SOS presentation given to the Parish Council it was made clear that the building is only ever going to be used for such events and it is certainly not going to be used 'year long' on the scale suggested in the plan. Regarding traffic, there is some concern but equally there are agreed traffic management plans in place with the necessary authorities. Also, it is appropriate to mention the very positive engagement with the Parish council to meet the concerns of residents regarding any traffic issues. Additionally, as part of the planning application a contribution towards a further speed indication device (SID) has been requested. "..to replace the temporary (old) tent structure, with a large permanent steel framed "Green Dome" structure.."	strengthened.	
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	This does not do justice to the structure at all. If the structure is to be mentioned it should be accurately described. This will be a 'world class if not a world beating' structure. It is designed to blend in with the surroundings with minimal effect on the rural environment. In fact, there should be an improvement to the landscape, particularly the views of the main house due to removal of some out buildings. Additional landscaping as part the build will further enrich local biodiversity. Further details of such are in the planning application. It is my understanding from discussion with the architects, at the open days at Haynes Park, that the design was one of the more costly options but was most favoured by a number of 'stakeholders' and therefore developed. If we make reference to the structure I hope we can do so in a manner which gives it justice and accurately reflects it. The high standards of restoration of Haynes Park has very much made it an asset for the village. Feedback from the open days at Haynes Park, as part of the planning application, from residents was how well the Grade 1 listed building had been restored. Indeed, it has been immaculately restored and maintained. Not just the main house, but the grounds are always so well maintained and are also an asset to the Parish. It is widely recognised that such buildings of historical importance are expensive and time consuming to maintain and that if they are to continue they must also be it-for-purpose (Taylor Review: Sustainability of English Churches and Cathedrals. December, 2017). So, in terms of the planning permission CBC should also take into consideration that we can be confident that if the site remains 'fit-for-purpose' for SOS, Haynes Park will continue to be such an asset for the Parish. Provision for pedestrians and cyclist. I was pleased to read this but would request consideration be given to expanding or strengthening this. I moved to the village some 25 years ago and was struck by how difficult it was to enjoy the local countryside. The lack of pavements leading out of the village (such as from the Greyhound to the A600) along with the national speed limit on the country lanes made it so difficult to enjoy the local woods and further countryside. In essence, our children had 'more freedom' to enjoy local parks and green spaces in a city environment than here in Haynes. However, we adapted to the situation, as you do. But, now in retirement, and particularly since Covid, I have seen more and more people trying to walk on the local roads and enjoy the open space with all the difficulties of the lack of pavements and traffic speeds. I appreciate the hard work that has gone into the plan and the opportunity to comment. I submit the above comments and observations for your consideration.		
Resident 19	Happy to supply a better photo of our cottage at Haynes West End Without the bins. I also appreciate a statement about all the hamlets within Haynes about the needs to keep these rural and are not within development envelope. It would also work mentioning the permissible paths and public footpaths within Haynes West End that are used by many walkers	Noted additional text has been added	Amended

	and dog walkers. Also that the scenic route that is used by a number of cycling clubs. That the area is used for a lot of recreational use walking cycling and horse riding for a number of residents living in the Haynes Parish.		
Resident 20	Fellow residents - here is an excellent Plan for Haynes. Much hard work has been done in researching & preparing this - my only suggestion is in regard to the proposed changes to the Lower School (where I previously proposed that a new Primary school is built as was done by Bedford Borough on the A 600 in Cotton End)	Noted	-

Comments and responses to Central Bedfordshire Council

TEAM	SECTION OF PLAN	CBC COMMENTS	Comments	Change to NP?
MANOP	Housing	It is encouraging that the draft plan recognises the rapidly ageing population in the village with some acknowledgement that the housing stock is unlikely to be adequately future proofed in design terms (e.g. easily adaptable, accessible for example meeting Building Regulation part M Category 2 & 3 requirements; meets HAPPI standards. Please refer to APPG HAPPI 4 report "Rural Housing for an Ageing Population" for examples of good practice, some of which will be of relevance to Haynes. The wider issue of support and care, enabling people to age in place; retaining informal care and support networks would be enhanced with consideration of key worker housing such that local people are able to provide, for example, adult social care support, preventing/ delaying admission to more specialist and/or institutional care. Rural models of community micro-providers are often better able to support local people in rural areas, where traditional social care services tend to struggle; building resilience in creating sustainable jobs and services that support local economies. CBC fund a development service operated by Community Catalysts for this purpose, as one remedy, in addressing limited access to flexible social care services in rural locations.	Noted	-
Planning Policy	Policy DS1	First bullet point - Needs to clarify what setting they are referring to: "in relation to the setting"	Noted, changed	Amended
Planning Policy	Policy DS2	Sixth bullet point - "Views into/from the site are retained" should be more general i.e. "Views into/from any new development should be retained"	Noted, changed	Amended
Planning Policy	Policy DS2	Good, Builds upon Policy DM4, no reiteration of wording from adopted policy or SP7.	Noted	-
Planning Policy	Policy NE1	Use of term "rural parts" is vague, no distinction between open countryside and built countryside e.g. agricultural/paddock land. Consider rewording to "open countryside" or natural environment, a more commonly seen term if the purpose of the policy is to protect this.	Noted, changed by deleting reference to rural	Amended

			parts of the Parish	
Planning Policy	Policy NE1	Potential typo "Local character of the Parishes" should be "Local character of the Parish"?	Noted, changed	Amended
Planning Policy	Policy NE1	Does not conflict with CS16 but EE4 and EE5 do cover the first part of the policy to some degree, though not in this level of detail. Consider policy to be appropriate due to the emphasis on local features such as field boundaries and ridge and furrow which are not picked up on LP policies.	Noted	-
Planning Policy	Policy NE2	Supporting text should set out how views can be enhanced as this can be a hard thing to achieve, should set out what they expect to see done in this regard. Add photographic evidence or a map of each view for clarity. Views could be numbered on the Policies Map to make it clear which view is which.	Noted. The views were identified through the GI Plan and are shown photographically there.	Amended
Planning Policy	Policy NE3	The first part of this policy is picked up by Policy EE2 but not Policy CS18. Policy EE2 already makes reference to the need to provide net gain and protect and enhance existing features. Suggest turning this policy into a specific net gain policy, which can build on Policy EE2. NE3 already does this in part but can be strengthened.	Noted, references added to the Environment Bill 10% biodiversity gain.	Amended
Planning Policy	Policy NE4	First paragraph is already picked up by Policy EE13 and Policy DM5, can be deleted or atleast moved to supporting text, but the rest of policy is good.	Noted but is important to set the context for the policy, that existing open spaces and recreation facilities are protected. Most residents will not be familiar with Local Plan policy.	-
Planning Policy	Policy D1	A number of the bullet points raised in this policy are picked up by Policy HQ1 and to some degree in Policy CS6. Suggest reviewing these policies again and amending the wording, would also suggest adding into the supporting text the importance of the CBC Design Guide and the fact that this is	Noted reference to CBC Design	Amended

		currently only a technical guidance document and not an adopted SPD, to emphasise the importance of implementing design at the local level. Also, the opening wording could be amended to remove 'good quality' and include a reference to good design in the policy requirements, although much of this is already covered by existing points.	Guide added.	
Planning Policy	Policy C1	First three paragraphs are picked up by Policy HE1 but do not conflict with Policy DM13. Suggest removing these as HE1 achieves the same goal and Policy C1 is a similar policy. The final paragraph in C1 can be kept. Suggest moving the first three paragraphs to supporting text and make reference to Policy HE1.	It is important that the context of the policy is included. Residents are not familiar with the Local Plan. Some changes have been made to reflect up to date wording.	Amended
Planning Policy	Policy TT2	Supporting text should reference the Highways Design Guide which is an adopted SPD.	Paragraph 11.8 already refers to it, but title updated	Amended
Planning Policy	Policy TT3	Policy as currently wording suggests all new development regardless of its nature must make contributions to any affected highways. This is an unreasonable expectation on new development that may not have any impact on the road network, e.g. the policy makes no exceptions for development such as housing extensions, housing developments of just 1 or 2 dwellings or agricultural development. Policy should either identify exceptions with this in mind within the policy wording. Or, reword the policy to be less strict and include the list of exceptions in the supporting text.	Policy amended to refer more clearly to improvements for pedestrians and cyclists	Amended
Planning Policy	General	Having looked at the basic conditions, the plan does appropriately conform to these.	Noted	-
DM North Team	Policy DS2 Supporting Text	This policy should recognise the intrinsic character and beauty of the countryside, and the wider benefits from natural capital and ecosystem services but should distinguish between the hierarchy of international, national and locally designated sites. If a settlement envelope policy is proposed it needs defining on a Policy Map and needs to be compatible with the adopted Local Development Plan.	Noted, however there are no designated sites in Haynes Parish. The settlement	-

			envelope is the same as the Local Plan.	
DM North Team	Policy NE2	Views cannot be protected. May need rethinking in the context of Valued Landscapes. 'Valued Landscapes need to have some demonstrable physical attribute rather than just popularity. (Para 170a) of the NPPF requires an identified quality in the development plan). Areas should be clearly defined on a Policy Map. It is unclear how extensive these views are, clarity is needed for policy implementation purposes. You could recommend a rethink of the policy in the context of landscape setting of the village. Views towards the settlement on approach and from the landscape etc.	Views can be protected, numerous other Np's have similar policies. They key views are shown on the Policies Map.	-
DM North Team	Policy TT1	Needs to be compatible with Highway Adoption requirements.	Noted	-
DM North Team	Policy TT3	Needs to be compatible with Planning Conditions tests and Planning Obligations tests including necessity	Noted	-
DM North Team	Para 6.4	Design and Access statements are only provided where they are required for validation in accordance with the Development Management Procedure Order.	Noted	-
DM North Team	Policy C1	Policy is not consistent with National Policy regarding degree of harm to designated heritage assets and non designated heritage assets.	Disagree	-
DM North Team	Policy NE1	Applies to rural parts of the Parish, please define? Is this land beyond settlement envelopes?	Wording has been changed	Amended
Housing Strategy	Policy H1	The Strategic Housing team welcomes the opportunity to comment on Haynes neighbourhood plan. The supply of housing continues to be a key priority for the Council and a particular focus for our Council-owned housing company , New Vista. Further to this, New Vista commissioned a new housing needs survey in Haynes to assess the level of demand for housing in the village. The survey, undertaken by the Bedfordshire Rural Communities Charity was conducted in November 2020 and supersedes the previous 2016 version. (This latest report is attached for reference). The result show that a total of 7 dwellings are required to meet housing demand in the parish (3 affordable homes and 4 market homes). This takes into account a combination of the fact that people will have moved on since 2016 and also that a number of schemes have been built since that date. This may explain the drop in housing need since the last housing need survey. It is Strategic Housing's view that the neighbourhood plan Policy H1 (and any other reference to housing numbers in the plan) should be updated to reflect	Noted, changes to the chapter and policy reflect this	Amended

		the new results of the housing needs survey to include the need for 3 dwellings as evidence by the attached. It is recommended periodic updates to the Housing Needs Survey are undertaken throughout the lifespan of the Neighbourhood Plan. Housing Needs Surveys are viewed as having a validity period of five years. To keep an ongoing review of the local need, updates are recommended for the housing needs surveys.		
Neighbourhood Planning	Policy Wording	Speak to Sally Chapman re: the Examiner's Report for the Flitton, Greenfield & Pulloxhill Neighbourhood Plan and the proposed changes to policy wording in that document. Sally also advising FGP NP and there are similarities in the policies in both NPs which could be reflected in the Haynes NP prior to submission.	Noted, some changes made arising from FGP policy amendments by examiner.	Amendments
Neighbourhood Planning	General	Document is presented well and easy to read. Good use of formatting - colours, photos, text boxes, maps etc.	Noted, thank you	-
Neighbourhood Planning	Foreword	Amend Foreword - 'Comprehensive information on Neighbourhood Planning can be found on the Locality website (link with this URL: https://neighbourhoodplanning.org/about/neighbourhood-planning/) and on the Central Bedfordshire Council website (link with this URL: https://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/info/45/planning_policy/473/neighbourhood_planning), where we first registered our intentions.'	Links may become dated over the lifetime of the NP	-
Neighbourhood Planning	Foreword	Add link to BRCC website: https://bedsrcc.org.uk/what-we-do/countryside-community/greensand-country-landscape-partnership/	Links may become dated over the lifetime of the NP	-
Neighbourhood Planning	Foreword	Para 3 - typo: should be 'downloaded', not 'download'. Para 5 - typo: should be 'download', not 'downloading'	Agreed	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	Foreword	Last para, reword to: The emerging Central Bedfordshire Local Plan is still going through its Examination and is likely to be adopted in 2021. The Haynes NP will sit alongside this document once adopted as part of the development plan for Central Bedfordshire. The NP is not a static document and will need to be monitored and reviewed on a periodic basis. It will provide an important...'	Agreed	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	1.4/1.5	References to plan period should be consistent. 2018-2035 in plan but 2020-2035 on the front cover	Agreed	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	2.5	Amend to read: 'and Hearings were held in 2019 and 2020.'	Agreed	-

Neighbourhood Planning	3. Parish Description	Good amount of information on each topic	Noted, thank you	-
Neighbourhood Planning	4. Consultation	Again, concise chapter which covers what it needs to and references the Consultation Statement. At 4.4 - no need for '(by CBC)' here	Noted, thank you	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	5.2	Propose rewording to: 'The Vision is the overall aim for Haynes Parish through the Neighbourhood Plan and the Objectives are more detailed...'	Agreed	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	Policy NE2	There will an issue with protecting part of view number 4, due to the proposed housing allocation in the emerging CBC Local Plan. Some conflict with emerging strategy	Noted, the position of the arrow on the map can be moved to the footpath. The GI Plan photograph shows the view taken from the footpath, not across the development site.	Policies Map amended
Neighbourhood Planning	Policy References	Any references to policies in the emerging CBC Local Plan should include the word 'emerging'. I.e. at 7.9 - 'The designation does confer some protection on the site, with the emerging Central Bedfordshire Local Plan Policy EE3 (Nature Conservation)...'	Noted, but the Local Plan may be adopted by the time the NP is through Examination.	-
Neighbourhood Planning	7.10	Add '(NIA)' after 'Greensand Ridge Nature Improvement Area' to properly link to the reference to the NIA in the last sentence of the para	Noted	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	7.18	Reference to LGS protection ruling out new development is incorrect, appears to conflate elements of both the original (2012) version of the NPPF and the current one. In particular, there is no longer a reference in national policy to new development on such land being ruled out other than in "very special circumstances" (2012 version, paragraph 76). The current NPPF (paragraph 99) reads: "The designation of land as Local Green Space through local and neighbourhood plans allows communities to identify and protect green areas of particular importance to them.....". Again, see FGP Examiner's Report (Sally)	Noted	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	Policy NE5	It would be useful to number the LGS sites. These can then be added to the Policies Map. Examiner's often request standalone more detailed maps for the LGS sites in the	Noted, yes should be included as	Amended

		Neighbourhood Plan itself (so that boundaries can be easily seen), this is something CBC would be happy to provide, either on individual maps or 2/3 zoomed to show the sites more clearly	maps at the end of the NP.	
Neighbourhood Planning	8.9	First sentence should say 'for up to 29 dwellings' not 'of'. Put Land South of Northwood End Road in apostrophes and HAS22 in brackets, remove 'reference'. Overall, good reference here to the proposed allocation and the mitigation required.	Agreed	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	Housing	Revise section based on the latest Housing Needs Survey, as set out in Housing Strategy comment above	Agreed	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	9.4	Reference to a Village Design Statement. Where is this?	The VDS was produced years ago in Mid Bedfordshire Council days. Words added to reflect this.	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	10.1	Are the non-designated heritage assets listed anywhere?	Yes, at 10.4	-
Neighbourhood Planning	Policy C1	CBC can provide a map showing the Archaeological Notification Areas in the parish to support this policy	This designation is shown on the Local Plan Policies Map	-
Neighbourhood Planning	11.3	Remove 'critically examined'. Replace with 'assessed'	Text changed	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	12.3	First sentence - for clarity change 'which is maintained by...' to 'this is maintained by...'	Agreed	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	13.2	Bullet points - second last bullet should be incorporated in Env Agency bullet above	Agreed	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	13.3	Reword to 'Central Bedfordshire is currently exploring a CIL and if it is introduced in the area...'	Agreed	Amended
Neighbourhood Planning	13. Implementation & Monitoring	Good section, clear and aspirations are obvious	Noted, thank you	-

Neighborhood Planning	Policies Map	Few tweaks needed to these, following recommendations above. CBC will update in due course following further dialogue with HNPSG re: refining draft plan for submission	Noted, to be amended	Amended
Neighborhood Planning	Evidence	Links to the evidence need to be stronger in places - where is the HNS for example? Could add a 'List of Evidence' to the back of the plan which sets out the individual references through the NP and then provides a web link. i.e to Buildings for Life, Landscape Character Assessment etc.	Web links will date the NP which has a 10 year life. The HNS is a separate background document as is the GI Plan.	-