

COMMENTS MADE ON INITIAL FEEDBACK FORMS AT 'INFORMATION AND AWARENESS' DISPLAYS ON CHURCH MEAD IN JUNE/JULY 2018

These are the comments made:

- England we read urgently needs more houses of the affordable type not £0.5m upwards (The Week 21st July 2018 page 12). Norton could in my opinion take more provided they are built in the most appropriate places. Of the various options I feel Fortescue West is not appropriate as its entrance/exit is quite tricky and leads onto the overused High Street. My choice is the land presently designated greenbelt to the north side of Farleigh Road beyond Norton house. The other side of the road is already developed, and new housing could be behind the existing hedge with good access onto the main road. It would enhance usage of village facilities (shops pubs garage) without adverse environmental affect
- Acceptable levels of housing development as per government guidelines in already identified locations. More facilities for 8–18-year-olds and over 55's - table tennis basketball hoop outdoor exercise equipment for all ages. Sport equals good health. Let's make NSP all-encompassing for all ages and not just the 0 to 6 and the 60+ bracket (apart from cricketers and dog owners)! NSP is a great village with a very good community vibe and a sense of pride. The middle generation needs to be considered and encouraged to stay or move here
- The village boundary should not be extended
- No further housing development. Roads are unable to cope with current levels of traffic. Common to have problems with flow of traffic on the High Street. Also further increases in population will put a burden on the provision of GP services. Beckington surgery struggling to cope with the increasing population associated with the increase in housing in Beckington /Rode/NSP. Don't allow any change to the centre of the village/Mead that would alter its appearance in any way
- Positive and limited management of future housing development.
Protection of green space including the field beside the Mead.
Maintenance and development of play & recreational facilities for children of all ages.
Preservation and maintenance of footpaths.

- We feel that our village hall is not big enough we would like one located with outdoor space and parking we would also like a tennis court and skateboard ramp
- - i) some affordable housing if possible
 - ii) space for a Village carpark
 - iii) protection of village green spaces.
 - iv) restoring village pound .(agricultural history)
 - v) protection of village flora and fauna
 - vi) protection of mediaeval 'footprint '
 - vii). Limited or no further development other than one above
 - viii) sensitivity about the subtle interface of village character and town character
 - ix) sensitive use of infill space
 - x) protection of "approaches" into the village
- I think the key focus of the neighbourhood plan needs to continue to be balancing the amount of housing in the village with the available amenities that can meet the needs of the growing population. I think consideration needs to be given to the very real problem of traffic. Domestic and commercial traffic in and out of the village is heavy and this brings with it concerns about pollution, lung health and risk of cancer. I feel concerned that increased housing will exacerbate the risk of ill-health due to pollution.
- In favour of development but in the correct areas and the right style of building
- Keep new development within the development boundary
- Shop is a very good thing.
Bus service to and from Bath and Frome very good.
Need more integration
- No more open market housing or over 55's. Would support more affordable housing

- Limit development to within the boundary; need affordable housing and shared office space
- No concerns over the neighbourhood plan. In favour of limiting development within the boundaries shown on the plan
- No further development.
Protect community assets; pubs, green spaces, co-op (!!). Local gym please
- Keep all future building to within the proposed village limit (infill only). Our village is losing its 'village feeling'. We need a village parking area- roads are getting very clogged. Fortescue Fields at one point promised us this. No use putting double yellow lines down - just pushes problems elsewhere
- 1)Ongoing sustained regular bus service. Currently half hourly D2- fantastic service; particularly for hospital appointments. Shame there is limited provision for return from Bath in the evening.
2)Need for affordable housing for first time buyers but with provisions in place to prevent buyers from purchasing for profit/renting out.
3) Ongoing protection and upkeep of Churchmead - a communal place to meet people.
4) A village coffee shop somewhere - a social hub for all ages
- Agree that further development should only be within current boundaries
Speed reduction methods on Church Street
- Happy to support the current plans for the neighbourhood in terms of the green space
- So pleased by the result in Shepherds Mead although sorry that part of it has been lost to building. Better than losing the lot though
- Unique village special place to live.

Small roads have too much traffic and will kill the village. Don't ruin our perfect home

- No development outside of the development limit
- Please prevent any additional housing
- Retain the character of the village by stopping too much of the wrong type of development
- Keep our village the same - no developments!
- Ensuring that Mendip Council can account for the development quota that NSP has fulfilled, in order to avoid any future planning ambushes! Thank you for putting the plan together on behalf of the village
- I think the new housing limit has been exceeded and therefore we should fight to save our green spaces
- Address issues of land use particularly not greenfield sites but look at 'brownfield' options.
All development to meet environmental and current government policies for the future
- Parish has already exceeded its housing build by a significant amount. No further building should be approved.
The road infrastructure is in overload with dangerous numbers of vehicles exceeding the speed limit
- Wonderful we're in total support. Thank you
- Limit traffic.
Keep green spaces and historic parts of the village and its character.
Happy for derelict buildings to be brought back to life.
Keep and protect public transport

Protect shop

- Preservation of old stone walls

Preservation of green spaces – Lyde Green Triangle, Lyde Green, Great Orchard , Green by school.

More than enough new housing in recent years.

Parking?

- Positive acceptance of government policies, but active interpretation of how NSP can or cannot comply-bearing in mind current extent of new housing. This all adds a very large number of new houses in NSP over the last 15 years.
- Protect the socio-economic factors of the village enabling homeworking maintaining the character of the village allow for environmentally neutral buildings and some affordable housing
- No more housing development for the foreseeable future all green spaces must be conserved
- Control housing spread and over-building in NSP.
Congestion of vehicles and parking = blockages in the village
- No more development outside the development limit
- No more houses
- Please if houses have to be built could they be social housing
- No more planning permissions without local approval
- To maintain the rural nature of the village i.e. preserving green spaces within the village; maintaining views of countryside from all points; halting future development for the foreseeable future; providing facilities to keep young people in the village

- We would love to stay in the village (currently renting) but we are struggling to afford anything in the village. Either affordable housing is needed or relaxation on new building so we could buy some land and self build.
It would also be good to improve parking around the village

- Protect our much treasured green spaces in and around the village.
Restrict the volume of traffic in the village; the road infrastructure is not fit for purpose even at current levels

- I hope the neighbourhood plan provides the village with a clear building plan that limits the continuing growth in new, highly expensive housing stock. If there is to be any further expansion we feel it should be focused on affordable housing for young families who will use the local school and keep the village balanced in terms of age and income.
We feel the designated greenbelt and green areas should be kept free of any development