Consultation Statement supporting documents

Multiple consultation supporting documents compiled into one PDF for easy printing.

Double-sided printing will allow individual documents to be separated if required.
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Guidance on the role of Community Engagement Lead (CEL) & Community Engagement Task Group (CETG)

CEL responsibilities are to:

- lead and co-ordinate work of the Community Engagement Task Group (CETG)
- represent EFSG at community engagement events supported by others from the CETG &/or Chair/Vice Chair
- report back to EFSG at monthly meetings on the work of CETG with issues for discussion and decisions needed.

CETG is responsible for organising “public face” events like May Day, Community Day, Carnival and Village Show. It will support other Task Groups (TG) in terms of the process of meetings, workshops and events that they (the other TGs) organise with their own key local Partners and Stakeholders in relation to the following:

- identifying & helping organise events/surveys/questionnaires to engage the community in the NP
- advising how to use thematic analysis frameworks (e.g., derived from the EF Launch data analysis)
- guiding further data gathering and analysis of new data relating to the views of the specific communities
- supporting TG events if requested
- Keeping records and evidence of all activities in DropBox (each TG has a folder of their own).

The CETG will also:

- co-ordinate the community engagement work of the TGs on Health, Education, History/Heritage, Environment, Housing & Countryside/Recreation (i.e., what’s happening, when and who is involved)
- ensure that the TGs are covering the range of Community Groups, Schools and Health & Social Care providers in Eynsham & Barnard Gate to learn about people’s ideas, problems, future plans in the area and how the NP might help
• lead on and co-ordinate the data analysis and interpretation and the writing up of the findings

• review Eynsham Parish Plan (2008) and Design Statement (2004) for information/ideas that are still useful/relevant.

• Examine The Locality Roadmap worksheets 4 & 5 for more help-
  http://locality.org.uk/resources/neighbourhood-planning-roadmap-guide/

In the present absence of an Education TG, the CETG will organise and run an event at the Primary School.

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Chair, EFSG

Revised 17/5/15 in consultation with CEG

Angie Titchen

Community Engagement Lead
**EYNSHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY (DRAFT)**

**February 2015**

### Aims & Objectives
- Reach and involve as many members of the Eynsham community who live, learn, work, provide services, run business & commerce, own sites for possible development here.
- Adopt an open, unbiased approach at all times so that everyone’s views and ideas on future housing and business growth in the Parish can be taken into account at all stages.
- Negotiate with all interest groups to come to a reasonable consensus of opinion.
- Achieve a much higher than 51% yes vote at Referendum.

### ACTIONS

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#### Community Engagement

1. **Early Community Engagement**
   - Community Engagement Strategy: prepare both initial stage and ongoing more detailed.
   - Awareness in community through Eynsham News, Online, at village events (eg Film Night Soapbox, Eynsham Society meetings), posters on village notice boards, in shop etc.
   - Key Local Partners: set up regular contact with Bartholomew & Primary School Heads, Medical Practice, Siemens and other large employers. Preferably they join Steering Group. Start to get their views on positives/negatives of working in the village & proposals for improvements.
   - Website and social media: Start plans for an Eynsham Futures interactive website. Domain on Eynsham Online as interim measure. IT task group to research.
   - Handbill: go to every home and business in village to get views on what is good/bad about Eynsham and ideas for a vision for the future. Inform about Launch.
   - Public launch: Plan drop-in, carousel style sessions to promote engagement and give everybody a voice in determining Eynsham's USP & the Vision for our NP - including priorities for where development might go.
   - Local Trusts, Service providers & Voluntary Groups: set up liaison to gain views of eg Cottsway & Sovereign Housing Association, Thames Water, BT, Bus Companies, Green TEA, Wychwood Project, Woodland Trust, CPRE, OCC Countryside etc.
   - WODC: begin liaison with Community Planning Officer.
   - OCC: begin liaison with County councillor for advice on their position regarding school sites, transport issues, flooding, rights of way, social services, heritage, countryside & the land they own in Eynsham etc. They give strategic advice on sites.
   - Landowners & developers: open communication channels to ascertain their plans and viewpoints. Initially for sites put forward in WODC draft LP SHLAA, possibly others.

2. **Set Vision & Scope of NP & Feed back to community**
   - Analysis of all community responses to inform decisions of Steering Group.
   - Broad range of Development Sites for consideration put forward.
   - Information to all residents and stakeholders, paper and online. Ensure questions are open and not loaded. Multiple-choice can be easier to analyse. Have a mix of both.

3. **Ongoing Community Engagement**
   - Detailed questionnaires to all residents and stakeholders - paper and online. Ensure questions are open and not loaded. Multiple-choice can be easier to analyse. Have a mix of both.
   - Workshops, Fun Days, school projects and talks to local community groups, schools etc.
   - "Surveys" at community events such as Police Community Day, Flower Festival, Arts Week, Carnival.
   - Target hard to reach groups eg elderly, disabled, single parents, ethnic groups, disadvantaged.
   - Meetings/contacts with business, infrastructure providers, landowners & developers, education and health providers etc.
   - Recruit new volunteers and members onto Steering Group.

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Consultation Statement Supporting Documents

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- St Leonards C of E Baptist Church
- St Peters Catholic Church
- Friends of St Leonards

### Village Events
- Village Show Committee
- Carnival Committee
- Eynsham in Bloom
- Flower Festival

### Gardening & Environment
- Abbey Fishponds Volunteers
- Eynsham Litter Pickers
- Wharf Stream Team
- Eynsham Country Market
- Oxford Organic Group
- Green TEA
- Apple Group, Green TEA
- Eynsham Garden Club
- Eynsham Allotment Association

### The Arts & Library
- Bartholomew Players
- Eynsham Arts Group
- Eynsham Choral Society
- Eynsham Community Choir
- Eynsham Folk Club
- Eynsham Morris
- Eynsham Theatre Club
- Eynsham Ukelele Band
- Old Forge Pottery
- Friends of Eynsham Library
- Eynsham Library Reading Group

### Sport
- Eynsham Playing Fields Managers
- ESSC Football Club
- Eynsham Association Football Club
- Eynsham Cricket Club
- Eynsham Croquet Club
- Eynsham Netball Clubs
- Eynsham Road Runners

### Children
- Children’s Book Group
- Parent & Toddler Group
- Orchard Children’s Centre
- Walkie Talkies
- Acre End Pre-School
- Eynsham Pre-School
- Oxford Nursery Ltd

### Youth
- Eynsham Youth Centre Clubs
- Scouts; Guides; Beavers; Brownies; Rainbows; Cubs
- Primary & Bartholomew PTAs
- Bartholomew Educational Foundation

### Heritage, History and Rural Setting
- Eynsham Society
- Eynsham History Group

### Networking & Social/Fundraising
- Eynsham Women Entrepreneurs
- Probus
- Rotary Club
- Royal British Legion
- Women’s Institute

### Health
- Eynsham & Long Hanborough Medical Care Group
- Bodyline Therapy
- Chilbridge Osteopathic Clinic
- Eynsham Chiropractors
- Eynsham Dental Care
- Eynsham Skin Clinic
- Meridiana Clinic
- N Cotswolds Footcare Services

### Caring
- Eynsham Day Centre
- Oasis for Senior Citizens
- Beech Court Nursing Home
- Care with Care Ltd.
- Falls Prevention Service
- Eynsham Good Neighbour Network
- Eynsham Neighbourhood Care Scheme
- Friends of Helen & Douglas House
- Eynsham Neighbourhood Action group
- Gatehouse volunteers
- Eynsham Consolidated Charity
- Eynsham Carers Group

### Social & Venues
- Eynsham Social & Sports Club
- Village Hall Management Committee
- Eynsham Enterprises (St Leonards Hall)

### Information & Media
- Eynsham News Group
Guidance on the role of Task Groups (TGs)

TGs are:- Community Engagement (CETG), Business (BTG), Transport & Infrastructure (T&ITG), Housing (HTG), Landscape & Design (L&DTG), History & Heritage (H&HTG), Education & Families (E&FTG), Environment (ETG), Health & Social Care (H&SCTG), IT (ITTG) & Gravel (GTG).

1. Review the existing and draft policies of bodies relevant to your TG- see APPENDIX A.

2. Check we do not duplicate existing policies for your TG area. For example-
   - WODC draft Local Plan has Housing Design Guides for the mix of homes for retired/young people/families, affordable housing requirements, environmental standards for new developments etc.
   - OCC has policies on Transport, Mineral Extraction, Museums etc.
   - We must abide by these and not try to “reinvent the wheel”!
   - Identify where and how the NP could realistically enhance such policies in your TG area.

3. Review previous plans for parish- see APPENDIX B.

4. Research other desk based evidence for your TG area- see APPENDIX C.

5. Identify gaps in evidence, formulate proposed ways of gathering new evidence through community consultations, surveys & workshops and report back to EFSG for decision on how to proceed.

6. Where needed, contribute ideas for surveys/questionnaires on key issues for your TG area- see APPENDIX D.

7. Liaise with CETG on proposals for outreach and engagement with all community stakeholders & partners.

8. Help analyse the evidence collected in preparation for the NP.

9. Leader to report back to EFSG at monthly meetings with issues and decisions needed.

10. Keep records and evidence of all activities.

The Locality Roadmap worksheets 4 & 5 give more help-
http://locality.org.uk/resources/neighbourhood-planning-roadmap-guide/

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APPENDIX A

Existing and draft policies of bodies relevant to your TG. For example-

- Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) for Local Transport Plan 2015-2031 (see also EPC’s response to this on Eynsham Online); Minerals & Waste Plan/Core Strategy to 2031. They have produced a very useful NP Toolkit (link below). They also deal with Education, Countryside, Flood management, Museums, Transport, Social services, Libraries, Gravel, Waste management, Trading Standards, Fire Service. [https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/](https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/)  [https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/neighbourhood-planning-toolkit](https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/neighbourhood-planning-toolkit)

- West Oxfordshire District Council (WODC) for Draft Local Plan 2031- with policies for local employment & industry and for planned housing developments; Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA); Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA). They also deal with the list of housing applicants (useful for assessing housing need), planning applications, rubbish collection, parking, leisure, environmental health. [http://www.westoxon.gov.uk/home/](http://www.westoxon.gov.uk/home/)

- Health providers- [http://www.nhs.uk/Pages/ HomePage.aspx](http://www.nhs.uk/Pages/HomePage.aspx)


- Thames Water- [http://www.thameswater.co.uk/home/542.htm](http://www.thameswater.co.uk/home/542.htm)


APPENDIX B.

Previous plans for parish- I have some paper copies or see Eynsham Online [http://eynsham-pc.gov.uk/processtype_tmm.asp?MenuHeadID=20&ProcessType=34&MenuSubID=57](http://eynsham-pc.gov.uk/processtype_tmm.asp?MenuHeadID=20&ProcessType=34&MenuSubID=57)


- Parish Plan (2008).

- Identify material that is still relevant and can be built on in your TG area.
APPENDIX C

Other desk based evidence for your TG area. This might include the following, for example-

- The Rural Place Profile (includes Census 2011 data plus a lot more). I have this to send to you electronically. This is essential for reviewing the demographic profile of the local population.

- Eynsham Online and Historic England, WODC or OCC websites can supply information on Listed Buildings, Tree Preservation Orders [http://www.westoxon.gov.uk/residents/environment/tree-protection/], Scheduled Ancient Monuments and other heritage records [https://www.historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list],

- Eynsham Online has recent Fishponds Survey information (reports were commissioned by Parish Council from Woodland Trust, Wychwood Project)

- Oxford Archaeology Unit Reports on Excavations at the Abbey site and Fishponds- [http://oxfordarchaeology.com/research/ourpublications]

- Eynsham Directory for clubs, groups, businesses, organisations etc


APPENDIX D

Ideas for surveys/questionnaires on key issues for your TG area, for example-

- existing housing provision and its condition

- “Building for Life” assessment of housing

- housing need- WODC and local estate agents and rental agencies
• land availability and land values
• vacancy & floorspace/land availability in business areas
• local employment opportunities
• demand surveys for businesses/workshops
• existing Broadband coverage
• shops
• valued rural/village views & open spaces and how they are used
• non-designated heritage assets- local historic land and buildings
• traffic/bus/pedestrian/bike capacity & linkages especially as affected by development proposals
• community facilities audit
• infrastructure such as school places, health capacity
• parking patterns at different times of day/week
• sports facilities
Eynsham Futures Launch, March 20-21, 2015
Briefing Sheet for Task Groups

This sheet has been prepared by the Community Engagement Group. It is based on theLocality Neighbourhood Plans Roadmap Guide, personal experience of community engagement work and suggestions by the Eynsham Futures Steering Group. The briefing offers suggestions for ways Task Groups could prepare their ‘stalls’ for the launch of the community engagement for creating a vision for Eynsham Futures, as well as how discussion and sharing of ideas could be stimulated, impartially, at the launch itself. The sheet may also be useful to key local partners who your Task Group may have invited to help on the days. The suggestions are not intended to be prescriptive in any way.

The fundamental principle of community engagement at the Launch in creating a shared vision is:

Task Group members and key local partners do not influence the thoughts and ideas of Eynsham Parish residents in any particular direction. Rather the aim is to create opportunities for residents to voice and record their own ideas, opinions, claims, concerns and issues that will then contribute to the development of the vision.

Preparation

You have probably started preparing your stall and may have already done these things, but just in case ...


2. Prepare some open questions to help visitors to your stall to reflect, without influence from you, upon the particular focus of your Task Group, i.e., housing, roads, business or education etc. Here are some suggestions:
   a. What is good (or what do you like best) about Eynsham in relation to ...?
   b. What is bad (or what do you like least) about Eynsham in relation to ...?
   c. How would you like Eynsham to be in the future in relation to ...?
   d. What would make a neighbourhood good to live and work in?
   e. What pressures affect Eynsham now or in the future in relation to ...?
   f. What needs to change in relation to ...?
   g. What is your big idea in relation to ...?
   h. How can you/we ...?
   i. How would you know if ...?
3. You may want to ask specific questions that are relevant to the focus of your group and/or have objects or resources, like photos, models, pictures, maps, on your table that may trigger or remind residents of something they want to say.

4. Think also about creative ways in which residents’ views can be collated on the Ideas Wall at the Launch.\(^1\) You might like to think about images, as well as words. **If you choose to use post-it notes for residents to capture the essence of their ideas succinctly**, then encourage them to put one idea on one post-it note with a felt tip pen (or you do it for them as they talk). Or residents may prefer to use a larger sheet for several ideas that could then be cut up into the separate ideas.

5. Think about how your group will analyse the evidence you collect. The idea is that you will identify common themes from your evidence, as well as more specific ones. If you have used the one post-it to one idea approach, this will **speed up your theming of their views hugely** because you can move them around and stick them up easily to form themes with post-its from other residents. You would even be able to do this at the Launch itself with residents and members of the Task Group, so residents can see the themes emerging. Seeing themes is likely to engender more discussion and ideas amongst residents who can then add their views to the themes if they want to.

**At the Launch**

1. Remember to keep your questions open, even if they are specific to a particular topic relevant to your group.

2. We must take care not to be judgemental about people’s ideas, not only in what we say, but also in how we respond through our facial expressions or body language. We are not there to argue for our own views and bring other people on board with them (we will have our chance in other spaces!). We aim to show people that we are impartial and that everyone’s views count and are heard.

3. If someone makes a point about another group’s focus, then ensure that that person’s views and expressions are given to the appropriate Task Group table for inclusion in the analysis.

4. If your Task Group would like help, members of the Community Engagement Group are available before and on the day. Please contact Angie Titchen on a.titchen@ulster.ac.uk or 01865 464132 for help.

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\(^1\) You will be able to stick stuff on the Ideas Wall using glue, sticky tape, blue tack or post-it notes. These materials, plus paper (flipchart size and A4), felt tip pens, crayons, picture cards and scissors, will be provided on the day by the Community Engagement Group. Please let Angie Titchen know if you require anything else.
Eynsham Futures Community Engagement (Angie Titchen 19/3/15)

Steps for creating a shared vision

This briefing sheet sets out steps for creating a shared vision. It builds on the processes previously circulated to the Task Groups to be used at the Launch. The practical detail of how to gather and theme data with residents and business people at the launch is set out first. This is a quick, easy and systematic way to theme data with the help of people providing it. To clarify the bigger picture of the processes for creating a shared vision, the briefing sheet then proposes generally how we could proceed after the launch. This proposal is offered for discussion at our next Steering Group meeting.

Theming at the Launch

1. **Lay out 5 flipchart sheets on your table** and put your area, e.g., housing, education, in the corner of each sheet. **Put the following headings in thick felt tip pen, one on each sheet** (these headings will be on the Ideas Wall too)
   - What I/we like about Eynsham
   - What I/we don’t like about Eynsham
   - How I/we want Eynsham to be in the future
   - My/our big ideas for Eynsham
   - Anything else I/we want to say

2. **Point out the headings and encourage people to write their views on post-it notes with thin felt tip pens provided** (as this shows up better than biro on the Ideas Wall and photographs) **and/or choose a picture**¹. There is no restriction on the number of post-its anyone wants to write or pictures they choose, but each one has to be making a different point.

3. **Invite them to put their names on their post-it notes**, but if they prefer to remain anonymous that is fine².

4. **Ask them to put their pictures and post-its on the appropriate flipchart sheets.** Pictures they have chosen can be held down at the edges with their associated post-it notes.

5. **When the sheets start to fill up, ask residents if they can see any post-its that are about the same kind of thing** and, if there are, invite them to start grouping them and the accompanying pictures. If you can see similarities that they don’t, point them out and ask people if they agree. If they do, then start a theme.

6. **Tell people the emerging themes are not fixed** and post-it notes and pictures can be moved, if people around the table agree that the move is supported by the data.

7. **Name the theme** with 1-3 words (if possible) and write it in thick felt tip pen on the flipchart surrounded by the pictures and post-it notes that support it.

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¹ Picture cards and magazines for cutting out pictures will be provided.
² Anonymity is fine because we are collecting a diversity of views and we are not counting how many people said this or that.
8. **When a themed flipchart is full**, stick the pictures down with glue and **put the flipchart sheet on the Ideas Wall** with glue or Blue Tack under the appropriate heading, i.e., ‘What I/we like about Eynsham’ etc.

9. **IT IS IMPORTANT NOT TO USE FELT TIP PEN DIRECTLY ON THE IDEAS WALL AS IT COULD MARK THE WALL BENEATH!!!**

10. During and at the end of the Launch, **the Community Engagement TG will take photos of each part of the Ideas Wall, other walls and flipchart stands** to have a record of our process and a back up of the data and themes!

**Further thematic analysis by Task Groups**

11. **Each Task Group will then hopefully take away the sheets that relate to their area for typing up the theme names and the content of each post-it supporting the theme.** It is important that the post-it notes are secured in place on the sheet, so they don’t get mixed up. There will be tape you can use to fix them to their themes before you take them down.

12. It is likely that when each Task Group looks at their whole data set, they will see that **some themes can be amalgamated to make general themes with specific, related themes within them.**

13. **If your Task Group is not using the one post-it to one idea approach to gather and theme views at the Launch**, then can you please theme your data using the broad headings above. Task Groups to send the typed up general and specific themes to Angie by April 10th 2015.

**Steps for developing a shared vision after the Launch (to be discussed by the EF Steering Group)**

14. In April, the Community Engagement Group could analyse all the data to see if any of the themes across the whole data set can be amalgamated or new ones created. Relationships between the themes will be looked for, and the resulting thematic framework could be sent to all the Task Groups to check whether the themes are substantiated in the residents’ raw data.

15. When agreement is reached that the thematic framework is sound, a tentative, draft vision statement with the themes and evidence that support them could be formulated and circulated again to the Task Groups for checking that the vision statement is true to the data.

16. The agreed draft statement would then be circulated via our web pages and the EPC newsletter inviting residents to comment on whether the themes ring true to the evidence and to send us more views and ideas if they wish to.

17. **This overall thematic analysis can then be checked out in subsequent specific community engagements, e.g., with partner stakeholders, businesses, schools, the health centre, clubs and societies, and ‘hard to reach’ groups, e.g., attendees at the Day Centre or people who live in care homes.**

18. Thus after a re-iterative process we will refine the vision statement and again circulate the final vision statement to everyone in Eynsham Parish.
Consultation Part II – resident's questionnaire.

**Background:** If it is adopted, the Eynsham Neighbourhood Plan will become the 'rules' which govern development of new homes within the Parish of Eynsham for the next 15 years. There are two stages to adoption of the plan:

- It has to be passed as 'sound' by planning professionals – that is it doesn't break national planning regulations and is likely to achieve its stated goals and deliver enough new homes.
- It has to get over 50% of the vote at a referendum for village residents.

To pass both of these we need to have lots of feedback from village residents which is why we need as many people as possible to complete this questionnaire, either on paper or on line.

By completing all the questions you can, you will demonstrate to the professionals that the plan is based on real facts and represents the views of the village as a whole. For this reason we are asking that you identify yourself by giving your phone number, so we can show that the data we gathered has come from bona-fide village residents. We won't publish names or quote you or pass on any details to other people but we would like to be able to check who the information came from.

If there are questions you don't want to answer – please just leave them blank.

You can also tell us if there are things that you will not accept – this is particularly important as we don't want to waste our efforts by including something lots of people don't like and then having the plan rejected at the referendum.

One thing cannot be changed – there will be at least 250 new homes built in the Parish over the next 15 years. What you can influence is where they will be built, the types that are built, their design and environment and what infrastructure (roads, schools, shops, business premises, medical facilities, etc) need to be provided to ensure that we maintain or even improve the benefits of village life that we currently enjoy.

You can find the on-line version of this questionnaire at [www.eynshamfutures.org.uk](http://www.eynshamfutures.org.uk) where you will find more information about the plan and its progress.

If you don't go 'on line' you can get more information by calling Richard Andrews on 880106 (evenings only please).
1. Can we contact you? A telephone number is enough:
We will only contact you if we are asked to prove that all responses come from Eynsham residents. Please answer as many questions as you want to – partially completed forms are welcome.

2. How do you expect your housing needs to change in the next 15 yrs?
Purpose – to estimate the need for different types of housing required for existing residents of the village.
Do you expect that, over the next 15 years your housing requirements will
- stay the same
- need a bigger house as the family grows.
- need an extension/annexe so house can accommodate another generation.
- need new house for the children to form a new household.
- need to downsize to a more suitable property.

3. What type of property do you live in now and what do you expect to need in the next 15 years – please tick

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<td>Bungalow/small house specifically to downsize into</td>
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<td>Retirement property (e.g. with communal facilities)</td>
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* If you ticked here, please can you complete question 2 below as well.

4. How do you feel about 'downsizing' to a smaller property?
Purpose – to meet the housing needs of current residents who want to stay in the village as they get older. 'Downsizing' can give older people a home which is easier to maintain and the possibility of support when needed. It also frees up larger properties for families to move into – everyone benefits if it's done right.

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<td>I'd want to move into a 'retirement village' property with communal facilities and some support on hand.</td>
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<td>I'd consider sharing my current home with a younger person</td>
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5. What do you require from local shops?

Purpose – to establish the current and likely future need for local shopping facilities and identify any weaknesses in provision. (Local includes Tesco Express as well as all other village shops).

What best describes your current (and future) use of local shops – please tick

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<td>Most of my shopping is done at a large supermarket outside the village.</td>
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<td>I typically ‘top up’ at a local store once or twice a week</td>
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<td>I depend on local stores for most of my routine shopping</td>
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<td>I use one or more of the specialist food shops every week (e.g. bakers, butchers, green-grocers)</td>
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<td>I use the cafes / sandwich shops</td>
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<td>If there was a mid-sized supermarket* with a bit more choice I would probably go there rather than to Witney</td>
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<td>The shops in Eynsham cover most of my non-specialist needs</td>
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*e.g. size of Long Hanborough Co-op which is about twice the size of the Eynsham stores

6. What is your experience of traffic in the village?

Purpose – to establish the effects of current traffic flow and parking on existing residents with a view to at least not making the position worse and even making things better after any future development.

These questions are for people who travel out of the village between 7 and 9 am for work (or any other reason)

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<td><strong>For car users:</strong> I leave the village by car during peak hours and go via</td>
<td>A40 west</td>
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<td>Stanton - Harcourt Rd</td>
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<td><strong>For car users:</strong> Typically I waste this time (in minutes) queueing to get out of the village / over the Toll Bridge</td>
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<td><strong>For car users:</strong> I might be able to use the bus but I’m put off by one or more of these problems.</td>
<td>Not possible</td>
<td>Waiting for bus</td>
<td>Delays in traffic</td>
<td>Cost / overcrowding</td>
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<td><strong>For car users:</strong> I might be able to use a bike but I’m put off by one or more of these problems.</td>
<td>Not possible</td>
<td>Not safe on road</td>
<td>No suitable facilities at work</td>
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7. What is your experience of parking in the village?

What best describes your experience of parking in the village – please tick

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<td>I struggle to find a convenient parking place near the shops or places I need to get to.</td>
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<td>I can find a parking place in the Back Lane car park</td>
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<td>As a pedestrian, I find pavements blocked by parked cars</td>
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<td>As a cyclist/driver, I find roads obstructed by parked cars</td>
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8. What are your current or likely future need for schools and childcare?

*Purpose – to find out what types local childcare and schooling is/will be required (and identify any weaknesses in current provision) so that we can recommend what new provision is needed to go with the new homes that are built.

Ideally new homes should be built so parents and children can walk to school/childcare whenever possible (keep you fit, cuts down on traffic congestion and fuel bills) so we’d like to know how far you would be prepared to walk or cycle.

| What best describes your current (and future) needs over the next 15 years – please tick how many children |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| None | One | Two | Three | Four or more |
| I’ll probably be needing pre-school childcare for |
| I’ll probably be needing primary school places for |
| I’ll probably be needing senior school places for |

*If you use/need* childcare please complete this section

| Please describe your experience of existing childcare provision – please tick which apply |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| No | Not really | Maybe / acceptable | Mostly OK | Yes |
| Is local childcare available at times you require? |
| Would you use more hours if they were available? |
| Is local childcare available at an affordable cost? |
| Did you have to go on a ‘waiting list’ to get the childcare you need? |
| Do you use a car to get children to childcare? | sometimes |
| How far would you be willing to walk (minutes) before you would usually use the car to childcare? | Not possible | 3 | 5 | 10 | 15 |

9. More questions about your experience of local schools

*If you have* children at school please complete this section

| Please describe your experience of existing school provision – please tick which apply |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Did your children get into the Primary School of your choice? | no | rare | sometimes | often | always |
| Did your children get into Secondary School of your choice? | no | rare | sometimes | often | always |
| Do you use a car to get your children to Primary School? | no | rarely | some- times | often | always |
| Do you use a car to get your children to Senior School? | no | rarely | some- times | often | always |
| I’d walk to Primary School as long as it doesn’t take more than | never! | 3 min | 5 min | 10 min | more |
| I’d cycle to Primary School as long as it doesn’t take more than | never! | 3 min | 5 min | 10 min | more |
| I’d let my children walk to Senior School as long as it doesn’t take more than | never! | 3 min | 5 min | 10 min | more |
| I’d let my children cycle to Senior School as long as it doesn’t take more than | never! | 3 min | 5 min | 10 min | more |

*please complete these questions as well if you have recently had or will soon have one or more children using childcare or schools. Grandparents who take children to school can answer as well.*
10. **Long-term environmental sustainability.**

*Purpose – to establish village opinion about the benefits and costs of building to the highest eco-standard of energy efficiency and reduced water use; encouraging other ways of reducing energy use and the village’s ‘carbon footprint’ in general.*

*When land gets planning permission it becomes worth typically £100,000 per building plot – a huge windfall profit to the landowner and about half the cost of building a house in this area.*

*It might cost £20,000 extra to build to the highest standards, money that would probably be recovered in savings on energy bills over 20-25 years.*

Here are some of the issues associated with building new homes to the highest environmental standards; what is your reaction to these ideas – please tick

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<th>Bad idea – No!</th>
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<td>Houses should be built as cheap as they can be – if people want eco-add-ons they should do them for themselves.</td>
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<td>We should insist on homes being built to the highest standards; the market sets the price anyway so the landowners will have to take less windfall profit.</td>
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<td>We should not insist on higher standards otherwise landowners won’t sell and builders won’t build.</td>
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<td>Houses must be designed to look like existing houses in the village/district even if that makes them less efficient to run.</td>
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<td>We should allow modern eco-homes to be built as long as they are not next door to older traditional buildings</td>
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<td>We should encourage small-scale horticulture / small-holdings round the edge of the village to provide local food</td>
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<td>We should expect (larger-scale) developers to provide a few plots for self-build homes.</td>
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Please use this space to make any additional comments about any of the questions:
11. What is your view on some of the 'big issues'?

Purpose – at this stage we are NOT deciding what the plan will recommend but we do have to come up with the options to be considered; now we need to know village opinion about some of the options the Neighbourhood Planning group have come up with.

If lots of people think these are ideas are unacceptable there won’t be much point in including them as hey won’t get passed the final referendum.

If you want more information about these choices, please came along to the Public Meeting we will be holding in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on October 7th or e-mail eynsham_futures@gmail.com or phone 880106 (evenings only please)

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<th>These are the options discussed so far; what is your reaction to these ideas – please tick</th>
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<td>We should resist building more homes as much as we can – only take the minimum number we can get away with</td>
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<td>We should consider having more than our minimum allocation of new homes as long as we can have the roads, schools and other facilities to cope with the extra people.</td>
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<td>We should build our allocation of new homes west of the village with road access from the existing village (not the A40)</td>
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<td>We should only build houses to the west if a new access road/bypass is built round the west side of the village.</td>
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<td>We should consider building to the north of the A40 with a safe cycle and footpath access under/over the A40.</td>
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<td>We should aim to build more houses on the Southern Industrial area rather than expand business use</td>
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<td>We should aim to redevelop the industrial area for high-tech, science-based firms, including new start-ups</td>
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<td>The industrial area needs a mix of new business premises and some new starter homes for the skilled staff they will need</td>
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If you are willing to give us more details, please add them here

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Address ____________________________________________

If you want us to keep you updated with progress, please give us your e-mail address (we regret that e-mail is the only way we can keep in touch with you directly)

E-mail ____________________________________________
EFSG Residents Survey – October – December 2015

Preliminary analysis of questionnaire results, Jan 2nd 2016.
We have received 124 responses (just over 6% of village households)

Size of home and type of tenure.
78% of responses were from people who own or are buying their home with 3 or more bedrooms; only 10% are renting. This isn’t fully representative of the village population so the results will need to be treated with this in mind.

Most people expected there needs to stay the same (57%) or grow (12%); 22% saw the need to downsize.

Although most people (62%) wanted to stay in the family home for as long as possible, 70% were more likely to downsize if they could stay in the village. Few were put off by the effort of downsizing and a significant number have already done so; the need for more affordable bungalows was mentioned. No one wanted to move to a retirement village although 15% might consider it.

These results confirm our belief that there is a need for homes to downsize to and these would not be the same as ’starter’ homes even if they had 2 bedrooms. We will make a distinction between types of 2 bed homes to account for this.

These results indicate that many people are putting down roots when they move to Eynsham and many expect to stay here for life.

Retail services.
Eynsham shops are well served by respondents. 49% reckon that local shops cover all their basic needs and 35% depend on them most or all of the time while 80% regularly ’top up’ locally. Most people do use larger supermarkets, 55% most of the time and another 25% sometimes but a local ’supermarket’ would not attract 45% very often if at all and only 20% would definitely go there rather than one of the larger stores in Witney. 50% of respondents use the specialist food shops most weeks though one or two people do find the higher prices are an issue.

A significant number of people use on-line shopping rather than go to a supermarket.

There were a few uncomplimentary comments about the quality and price of both Co-op and Spar but a lot of opposition to a larger supermarket in Eynsham from people convinced that it would drive out all the small retailers.

Commuting to work.
60% of respondents commute to work, exactly the census figures for the whole village. 66% use a car, 16% use the bus, 13% cycle and 4% walk to work.

Of car users, 41% use the Toll Bridge, 27% go west on the A40 and 32% go east on A40. 25% waste less than 2 minutes getting out of the village while 40% waste more than 15 minutes.

For most car users, this is the only practical way of commuting although a few would use the bus if there was a service that went to the Headington Hospitals for example. Reliability seemed to be as significant as cost for those who would use the bus if the service was better.

Parking.
Many respondents do not use their car to get around Eynsham but a lot of people don’t like the way other people park. A lot of comments complained about people using the village to ’park and ride’ or parking inconsiderately in the historic centre.

Results show that parking was often available (65%) in the Back Lane car park, but a similar percentage had
regular difficulty finding a convenient parking place near the shops. A significant number of road users (64%) and pedestrians (65%) found their way obstructed by parked cars.

It is to be hoped that a proper Park and Ride will reduce the informal arrangements that used now and that any new development will have good pedestrian/cycle access to minimise the number of extra journeys into the village to shop. Clearly many people prefer to get about inside the village without using a car and it is expected that new residents will do likewise as long as the distance involved is reasonable.

**Education and Childcare.**

Relatively few respondents need school places for either Primary or Secondary Schools (33% and 40% respectively). 90% of children went to their first-choice Primary School while 97% went to the Secondary School of choice. 22% of Primary and 14% of Secondary Pupils are taken there by car.

Even fewer were expecting to need childcare in the future (13%) but most (85%) of those with experience of local childcare had no real difficulty finding it. Cost was clearly an issue for two thirds of people, 70% found the times suitable while 30% would take more hours of care if available.

It does appear that requirements are not fully satisfied now and that more provision will be required when new homes are built – something that should be considered alongside Primary School.

Location of schools and childcare can be influenced by the NP. The main issue is the distance people are prepared to walk/cycle if they are able to chose between these and using the car.

For childcare, 32% do use a car but 85% were prepared to walk for 10 minutes and 54% for 15 minutes, about 800 and 1200m respectively (at normal pace, e.g. with a push chair, less with small children walking).

This indicates that childcare is not necessarily in the right location although some people will need to drop off the children on the way to work and for that reason childcare locations must also be readily accessible by car as well as on foot or bike.

Over 90% of those able to walk to Primary School would do so if it took less than 10 minutes (800m). Slightly fewer (78%) would let children walk the same distance to Secondary School while almost all would let them cycle 5 minutes or more although there was concern about their safety when using the roads which could be answered by the provision of a cycle path.

**Housing style and design.**

Intention is to see if current residents are more concerned about the way buildings look or their efficiency. There was a large number of responses to these questions.

23% would consider trading off cost against efficiency and go for the lowest cost, while over 90% would consider insisting on the highest environmental standards and a similar number did not believe that doing so would put off landowners and developers by reducing their profits.

49% did not think it necessary to make new buildings look like existing ones (and there were a number of positive comments about using modern designs); of the rest, 12% wanted to see traditional designs.

Explicit approval for eco-homes was only 45%

**Location of development.**

One of the big decisions we have to make is whether we allocate space for the minimum number of houses we can get away with (currently 250 but probably double that when WODC final make up their minds). 38% were generally in favour of that approach, 41% generally against and 21% thinking about it. The number against fell slightly (36%) if we can have the necessary infrastructure to support the new homes so there is still considerable resistance to building anything more than our minimum quota.

There was strong opposition (68%) to building homes to the west of the village with access through the
village but only 52% were in favour of a link road or western bypass to the A40.
Building north of the A40 met with some resistance (32%) with only 19% definitely in favour; the rest would consider the idea but were not yet fully convinced.
Redeveloping the industrial area to make it attractive to new technology businesses was well received (10% were against) and adding starter homes to the mix was generally supported. There was support for building houses (22%) rather than new businesses but most people (44%) were in the undecided category at this stage.

Lessons learned.
This survey deliberately looked for detailed information rather than simple yes/no answers. The number of responses has been low but where we can correlate with census data which covers the whole village the results match closely so there are some things we can learn.
We had already identified the need for homes into which people can downsize as the family homes becomes a burden rather than a place of happy memories and that is confirmed by the results. The distinction is important as we think the type of property needed is different from one with the same number of bedrooms but intended as a starter home for new families.
Location of facilities such as schools and shops is important with many people choosing to walk rather than drive. An ideal maximum distance of 800m (10 minutes walk) is considered the norm and that is confirmed by the survey. People still need to use their cars so adequate access, parking and dropping-off space will be needed at a new school for example.
School provision is adequate but we know there is no spare capacity and a new Primary School is needed. It seems that childcare provision is not really adequate and attention will need to be given to providing pre-school and before-and-after school places alongside any new Primary School.
Quite a number of people, young and old, rely on walking to the shops for some and in many cases all of their shopping which reinforces our case for not building a larger store away from the village centre which would be more difficult to reach on foot.
Parking causes quite a bit of resentment, even anger, to the point where we face opposition to the NP simply because the local authority haven’t fixed problems in the past. The NP can and will set policies which minimise parking and access problems for new developments. Unfortunately the NP cannot address these old issues apart from recommending where Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) from new developments can be directed to help improve the existing situation. EPC may have to fund highway and parking improvements which should really be the responsibility of OCC but for which there is no money.
There does seem to be a desire for new homes to be built to the highest environmental standards and we will set our policies accordingly. Context comes across as important – people are generally willing to have modern designs built but not to have a clash between styles.
When it comes to where and how many new homes should be built there is no clear consensus. This probably represents the situation within EFSG as well; we can see benefits in having more houses but also the potential drawbacks. Likewise there are pros and cons for development to the west and the north; neither would be acceptable without considerable infrastructure to support them.
We need to continue the debate and aim to build both for and against cases until a clearer picture develops.
Eynsham’s Neighbourhood Plan will shape future development over the next 15 years to meet national, regional and local housing needs in ways that:

- retain the character, style, friendliness and community spirit of Eynsham.
- enhance our community socially, environmentally and economically.
- provide the necessary transport and infrastructure for current and new residents.

The Plan will include policies which

- govern the location, type and style of new buildings and industrial facilities
- keep new traffic off existing village roads while creating new walking and cycle routes
- link village and countryside with green spaces and places for play and recreation
- ensure space is available for enough school places for all local children
- identify locations for community services, activities and facilities for all age groups
- ensure there will be space for new and expanding businesses
- preserve and enhance Eynsham’s history and heritage

Without a Plan, the village risks being threatened by developments which

- are built solely to suit developers’ profit, not the needs of new or existing residents
- do not provide the roads, school places and community facilities to support more residents
- consist of 'standard' designs with token provision of green space, footpaths and cycleways
- have no concern for providing homes which local families can afford
- won’t provide the types of home which the skilled staff (needed by local businesses) can afford

The Plan must be approved by village residents – all of us will all be able to vote 'yes' or 'no' when it is completed, probably in early 2017

To make sure the Neighbourhood Plan has village support, Eynsham Futures – the team preparing the plan on the behalf of the village – is keeping you informed and will ask for your feedback all the way through the process.

There is one really important decision to make at this point and we want to be sure we are still thinking on the right lines, as explained on the next page ......

Please return this section to tell us what you think we should do:

Please tick one box on other side

There will be places to return completed forms in the Library, Post Office, Village Hall and many shops. If you need it collecting, please call Richard Andrews on 880106.
As you can read in our article in this edition of Eynsham news, the outline of a large extension to the village has already been put forward to WODC by a group of landowners. Eynsham Futures doesn't think this is inherently a bad thing – it could be harmful if done badly but it could benefit the village if it is done well.

If all the new traffic can go directly onto main roads and be kept out of the village and if more facilities such as schools, medical, allotments and the like are provided, a new development could be a benefit, especially now money has been allocated to sort out the A40’s traffic. Without extra facilities a new development of almost any size would be a burden to the village and a Neighbourhood Plan is one way to ensure that this does not happen to Eynsham.

**Our choices are**

- look at all the possibilities, including 750+ new homes with a new primary school and consider the good and bad points of a large but well-designed extension as well as smaller-scale options.
- ignore large developments and just plan for the 250-400 homes we will be forced to have anyway. However, if a big development does happen, the village will have less say in its planning.

**Eynsham Futures** would prefer to consider all the options, including the possibility of a big extension. If more homes can be planned with enough school places, facilities and new roads, everyone could benefit.

The **Parish Council** has endorsed this approach, as constructive engagement could lead to a better result than ignoring or fighting developers; a final decision can be taken when we have more details of the various options.

We need to get village opinion to guide us, consider all the options or not, and so we are asking you to return the bottom part of this form with your advice to us.

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**Please return this section to tell us what you think we should do:**

Please tick one box

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A major rethink for Eynsham's Neighbourhood Plan.

Eynsham Futures have spent the last year or so exploring how the village can accommodate the extra houses we know are needed for local people and the staff that local businesses need to thrive.

We consulted with residents to explain our thinking, asking if you were willing for us to consider 750 new houses – considered enough to meet any realistic 'quota' and enough to ensure a new Primary School that will be needed - and getting a positive response.

But, just as were thought our Plan was nearing completion, it looks possible that the basic assumptions are about to be changed.

We don't yet know exactly what will happen, but this is what Eynsham's situation may be:

Oxford City has identified the need to build 28,000 new homes from now to 2031 but don't have the space for about 15,000 of them.

This 'unmet need' will be shared out between the four surrounding Districts (who are under a 'duty to cooperate') which means several thousand coming to West Oxfordshire. There is a strong possibility that the Eynsham area would be a prime candidate for many of these new homes as it is close to Oxford.

Eynsham Futures (EFSG) had discussed the 'Garden Village' concept (explained on next page) to put all new development into one site north of the A40; now West Oxfordshire District Council have independently proposed a 'Garden Village' for the same area.

If a Garden Village does happen, at least 2200 new homes will be built just north of the A40. This is so far beyond anything we have talked to residents about that we need to find out what you think we should do.
A 'Garden Village' in this context is an alternative to building new bits onto existing villages. Instead, a new village will be built linked to a nearby city but away from expensive building land near existing villages. All the facilities (employment, schools, shops, sports, entertainment) must be built new but cheaper land allows new homes to be more affordable with more space for gardens and open space than typical development sites.

EFSG discussed this concept two months ago and identified pros and cons. One benefit could be to put all new homes in one place, north of the A40, minimising change to the village as it is now and retaining the soft western edge of the village where houses merge into open countryside.

However not all attempts to build 'new communities' have succeeded in the past and we were not sure that a 'separate' village could be fitted between Eynsham and Hanborough. The land has been put forward for housing already so it will depend on the willingness of landowners to accept a lower price for the land to ensure everything is built as promised.

Now West Oxfordshire DC has applied for funds to plan (but not develop) a new village – the details are here – [http://bit.do/WOGV](http://bit.do/WOGV).

**Eynsham’s Neighbourhood Plan** currently allows for 750 houses to the west of the village while land to the north of the A40 is reserved for new homes at some future date on condition that the A40 is provided with safe crossing points or, better still, moved north of the new development as part of much-needed improvement to the A40. We also recommend that land north of a realigned A40 is used for a Science Park so employment opportunity is available too.

**West Oxfordshire’s Local Plan** has been on hold for 9 months as the first 'Examination' of it showed that not enough houses had been included and no provision had been made to include Oxford City's 'unmet need'. The plan is being updated now ready for consultation in November and both EFSG and the Parish Council want local wishes, as expressed in the Neighbourhood Plan, to be taken into account.

No final decisions have been made about details but its clear which direction this is going in and we need to be able to influence the outcome.

More details are available on the Eynsham Parish Council website.

Answers can be left at many village shops before October 7th please.
This is what we currently propose

1. Continue the Eynsham Neighbourhood Plan (ENP) with a few minor changes. The design requirements, facilities and infrastructure required and all the other things you wanted to see for Eynsham will still apply to the new location as well.

2. Ensure that our policies are compatible with a separate new settlement in the Parish.

3. We will retain an integrated northern option for the future with new homes limited to an area not too far from the village centre and based on the A40 moving north of the houses when it is upgraded.

4. We will include a Garden Village ‘option’. We will suggest all the new housing goes in the new village; the area to the west of Eynsham will only be for less intensive uses, e.g. retirement homes or an extension to Bartholomew School (to cope with extra students from a Garden Village) while retaining the existing green western village edge.

You may prefer all development to go to a new Village location to keep it away from us. But it will take time before new facilities are ready, integrating new development with the current village will allow new residents to share our existing facilities while new ones are built which we can then all share and they too can be part of our community.

Some may object to a new village – which will be bigger than Eynsham is now – in the fields to the north of the A40 and want to fight the idea.

If we engage with WODC there will be many more houses but we, the residents, can have some say in what happens. Unfortunately there is no guarantee what influence we will be allowed – you have to trust the Neighbourhood Plan team and the Parish Council to get the best deal possible and check back with you as we go.

Please indicate what is important to you on the next page.

Please add your name and contact details, particularly if you want a campaign against WODC’s plan for any large expansion of housing.

More details and opportunity for discussion at the Village Hall,

7.30pm on Wednesday, October 5th

Contact details: Richard Andrews tel. 880106; richard.andrews@eynsham-pc.gov.uk
Please give us some guidance by answering all the questions you can.

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<td>If a separate 'new village' goes ahead, all new houses should go there to concentrate resources on building the new village.</td>
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<td>Any space between Eynsham and a new village should only be trees or open countryside – no new employment sites.</td>
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<td>We should still aim to integrate the existing village with new developments to share new facilities. 'Yes' may mean a new High Street where the A40 is now, but new residents can be part of the community while additional facilities are being built. 'No' means new development is kept separate so new residents will have to drive into Eynsham if they want to join in with us.</td>
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<td>I do not want any new village nearby and am prepared to fight WODC all the way. Please sign me up for the campaign - <em>make sure you give your details below so WODC takes your opposition seriously.</em></td>
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Come to the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday, October 5th to find out more and have your say on the developing Neighbourhood Plan.