Wisborough Green
Past Present & Future

Feedback from the Community Consultation event held on the 20th & 21st April 2012

Section 1: Community Hopes & Fears – 99 Responses

Issue/ Concern/ Ideas	Comments building upon key Issue/ Concern/ Idea
This event	2 x compliments on how wonderful / well presented the exhibition was.
Happiness. 1	
Getting around	Cycle route to Billingshurst. 1 Walkways should be cleared by snow plough immediately after snowfall to avoid the local people slipping and falling as they did this year, 2 fell while crossing road. 1 Salt / grit bins needed for Butts Meadow / Carters Way – slippery conditions make older people prisoners. 1 Basic map on Green showing local footpaths and key walks in the area. 1 What happened to the Bypass. 1 no Bypass. 1 No Bypass – too many houses !! 1 Volunteer dogwalking service for temporarily incapacitated villagers. 1 Parking needed , every house has more than one car. 1 Parents should not have to worry about their kids safety. 1 Should be able to go out on own. 1 Footpaths and pavements are getting overgrown due to encroaching hedges, whose responsibility ? 1 I worry about cars going too fast. 1 Kirdford Rd worried, it is so dangerous. 3 Speed cameras – we need more. 1

Pubs. 4	Cricks too noisy after closing, should have more respect for local residents. Great pubs. Good to see local pubs flourishing. We should support pubs.
More wildlife. 2	Bring back birds and a natural history society. More wildness.
Amenities in the Village. 18	More taxis. 1 More shops. 2 tennis courts. 1 Health services. 1 Village police person. 1 Skate park. 3 Youth football on the Green. 2 Rugby pitch. 1 Mind controlled play equipment. 1 Permanent granite topped table tennis table. 1 Swimming pool / leisure centre. 1 New facilities in the park. 1 Keep village hall and Green. 1 Village Hall is critical to hold events. 1 Barn dances and BBQs. 1 Post Office – keep the PO. 1 scared PO will shut. 1 Pavilion. 2 Upgrade it. 2
Retain character of the Village. 16	Don't change character. 3 Keep old aspects. 1 Stay like a village so I can sleep at night. 1 WG great as it is. 1 Scared it will lose its village feel. 1 Harsfold Lane should be included in conservation area. 1 Ditto. 1 Harsfold Lane is lovely area and should not be allowed to change. 1 Hear Hear. 1 Street lighting. 5 People moving into Village from other areas used to lighting and pavements every where will want to start changing the nature of WG. 1 No street lighting. 5
Ideas	Sale of reprinted photos of bygone times of WG as source of funding for WG. 1 WG should be foe local people not rich incomers who are not interested in the village. 1 Defibrillator in village – recruit volunteers to use it. 3 Must let village grow – young cant afford houses. 1 Dog Fouling – owners should bag poo and put in bin provided or take home to dispose, applicable to all public places. 1 Ditches – open ditches are unsightly and dangerous, they should be filled in. Horse Chestnut tree – before the Green, it might fall over. 1 Council should save money by not cleaning gutters that are already clean. 1 (?)
Public Toilets. 2	Fear is that they will close. 1 They are essential to the Village. 1

Primary School. 2	not enough room for more children – would the school cope. 1 Will it expand in the future/ 1
Youth 2	Youth Club might shut down. 1 Lack of volunteers. 1 Pretty awesome. 1 (?)
Housing. 12.	no more ugly houses. No more houses. Worried that WG will get too built up. Too many houses – not much green fields left . Careful / considerate planning only. That the Green will have houses built on it. Not like Billingshurst. Social housing. Constructive development – more children means need for housing for all pockets. Houses that encourage new young families. Seniors housing.

Section 2: Community Issues

1a Traffic Concerns. 132 responses in total

Issue/ Concern/ Ideas	Comments building upon key Issue/ Concern/ Idea
Parking. 43.	* additional village car park . 1 * re-instate Cricketers pub car park. 2 * use wasted areas of grass around Butts Meadow for additional parking. 5 * include additional car park in any new development site. 2 * more parking areas. 2 * no pavement parking on estate/by school. 2 * better parking by shop. 3 * considerable increase in commercial vehicles parked overnight. 1 * no more parking round green, find alternatives. 1 * no more extra parking needed, use over flow fields for events. 1 * extend laybys and make more. 5 * parking at cricks junction dangerous , yellow lines make no difference. 4 * parking in School Road , pick up/drop off real problem. 1

	*all school access should be in Newpound Lane. 1 * increase parking by Pavilion. 1 * more double yellows on junction in village. 2
Speed cameras and Enforcement. 14	* Needed on A272 and on the Kirdford Rd /G.ford Rd – both ends of village.
Lollypop Lady. 1	
Mini Roundabout. 3	* at Cricks junction.
One Way System. 1	* round Butts Meadow.
Speedwatch. 1	* more volunteers to operate
Speed Bumps. 7	* Cricketers Junction. 1 * School Rd. 2 * Estate Rds. 2 * Into Village and out. 1 * Newpound Lane. 1 * No speed bumps – who will pay for damage to my car. 1
Traffic Lights. 1	Speed sensitive – continental style.
Dangerous Exits.	2 Clock House / Kitchen shop corner / Wisborough gdns
Pavements. 1	Kirdford Rd.
Improve Existing Rds. 1	
Double White Lines. 1	A272 – village to Newbridge – very dangerous stretch of rd.
Parking Bays in Village Hall Car Park. 3	Mark out bays / move recycle bins to maximise spaces.
Pinch Points. 1	Village entrance and exit on A272.

Better Speed Limit Signs. 4	More eye catching / designed by school children / SID signs.

1b. PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Issue/ Concern/ Ideas	Comments building upon key Issue/ Concern/ Idea
BUS - 41 Comments	• More and wider range of bus services – 30 • Links to others services i.e. existing buses and trains – 8 • Return of 76 Compass bus – 3 • Encourage use by better publicising of bus services – 6 • School Bus – 3 • Wisborough Green is cut off for the elderly who don't drive – 1 • New Chichester service (3 hours on bus all together) – 1 • Seats in bus shelter – 2 • Reliability – 1 • Access to medical services if possible – 2
MINI BUS -	• More use of minibus (also use of minibus for outings i.e. kids venues) – 6
MISCELLANEOUS	• More cycle lanes to Billingshurst and footpaths and bridal ways - 2 • Village car service with realistic pricing, good booking availability – 3 • Praise amazing village car service – 1 • More shops (this should be in village facilities) – 1 • Prescription drop of point from surgeries –1 • Drop in surgery (this should be in village facilities) – 1 • Hovercraft and jet planes - 2

1c . Village Facilities COMMENTS – 149 post-its.

One comment unless stated otherwise.

Issue/ Concern/ Ideas	Comments building upon key Issue/ Concern/ Idea
Toilets	Better/bigger – 4 Cleaner – 4 Don't close – 21 Charge £1 Are clean
Police	Village Policeman Village Policeman renting a village house
Road Safety	Slower speed in village – 7 Better control of speeding Speed sensitive lights to reduce speed Less cars more fuel Speed camera needed Reduce noisy cars – 2 Provide parking around the Green/Pav – 2 Mini roundabout at Cricks crossroads – 5 No need to r/about if speed kept down - 1 More safe parking but not on Green – 2 More parking – 4 More parking around v hall & church Sign in layby to say extra parking in v. Hall - 2 Parking issues around Green & bottom of Butts M Move traffic lights to outside of the shop Grit bin in Butts Meadow – 3

	Grit bin in Durbans Road
The Green	Should have more trees Green and conservation area should not be developed More events on the Green – 2 Don't lose any more Green
Publicity	Tourist trail around the village Village publicity booklet Publicise the village A link on WG website to walks in and around the village What about a small museum of village life & artefacts? Footpath map/leaflet More circular walks
Post Office/Stores	Keep post office/stores – 11 Increased facilities would save people having to drive to supermarkets Helpful if the post office card machine accepted ALL cards for cash withdrawals - 2
Visual	Discourage eyesores like bouncy castle in 3 Crowns Improve outside appearance of Pavilion – 2 More daffodils on verges Keep it green Rubbish/cleanliness No village street lights – want to live in a village not a town.
Playground	Bigger/better playground – 5 Funding for better & bigger playground Community access land where kids can play in fields and woods
Roads/Pedestrian safety/Bikes	Repair road up to The Luth Potholes in roads Street lights in Butts Meadow Post & rail fencing on Green at crossroads Street lighting in Butts Meadow

	Better upkeep of pavements and footpaths around the Green and shop area for elderly safety Please please fill in and cover over open ditches around the Green – accident waiting to happen. When are we going to get a cycle lane to Billingshurst
Public Transport	Keep bus service Bus service to Loxwood
Housing	More smaller homes for young/retired Need social housing Maintain the essence of the village and community – manage change carefully – 2 Keep old aspects Keep locals in village – keep housing affordable – 2 Spread new houses around several sites Want WG to be bigger (child) No more houses/development – 3 Larger old people's home (child) Keep housing for all ages More houses in Glebe fields – access from The Glebe What infrastructure will we be having to support 40 houses. Shopping, education, medical.
School	Join with school to share facilities & build multisports Local school should have space for all local children. Will the school be enlarged with development. Not acceptable to have to travel to other village school due to no space. Don't feel part of the community - 3
Village Hall	3rd floor of village hall – feasible to re-open/re-use by installation of external staircase and replace dormers - 2
Requested Facilities or Clubs	Tennis court Multi sports – 3 Play facilities Bowling alley Bigger pond McDonalds A zoo

	Skate Park - 2 More pubs and shops Petrol station Mini 'Old fashioned' sweet shop Good butcher More classes in V Hall/Scout Hut - 2 More clubs for teenagers Youth Club open more Netball club for 9+ - 2
Other	How do we ensure WG is properly served by CDC being on the fringe of its area. Also, WG looks to Horsham DC for various services, eg, recycling & schools.

1d THE GREEN – 67 post its

Comments	Suggested Additions	Key points
Support for the Green	More village activities! (1) More frequent youth activities and events eg under 16 disco once a month? (1) Youth club on 2 nights a week (1) Big Tesco/Sainbury's (1)	It is essential that WG has its own "**Design Statement**" to make sure any new houses fit in!(1)
	Tennis court facilities (10) Swimming pool (3) Mini or mega skate park (4) Boules Court (1) Picnic area (1) Water fountain (1) Cinema (1) Sweet shop (1)	Details are important – the **traditional granite** set kerb stones should always be used. Concrete stones change the village character (eg Kirdford Rd N of Green) (1)
	Bring back Youth football team (2)	Keep some **traditional features** (1)
Keep it the way the village is (1)	**Wildflowers** round Millennium sundial as suggested by Sue J (4)	**Playground** (6) in total made up of – fence it in (1); better playground…please (1); double slide

		(1); See-saw (1); merry-go-round (1) bigger (1)
Keep the use of the green the way it is. No need for significant additional facilities or use (1)		The field, currently unused and wholly over-grown, below The Elms and by Harsfold Lane should be compulsorily purchased and funds raised to make it a **football pitch** with small pavilion (1)
We love the Green – I spend a lot of time watching cricket (1)	More benches	
The Village Green is well used as it is – keep it the way it is. We agree (2)		
Any development to be spread. Keep the Green as the centre of the village (1)		
A beautiful Green! (1)	Hard standing for extended basketball but no netting	
Keep majority of Green as it is! (1)	Potential for some additional development at the back of the Pavilion	
Good to see the Green so well used(1)		
Our Green is well cared for and constantly in use – very good (1)		
Everyone has the opportunity to use it but many choose not to (1)		
Keep the Green as it is (1),	but find somewhere for a tennis court	
Keep it the way it is (1)	But cleaner toilets! (see section below)	
Make better use of small Green with sundial (1)		
Concerns about the Green		
Green should be able to be used by everyone (1)		
Use the Green better (1).	Basket ball, dry area for skate parks or football/tennis eg on area behind the Pavilion?	
Surely the Green belongs to the Village, all should be able to use it, not just Cricket and Sports (1)		
Too focused on cricket use (1)		
Interesting that nearly ½ find Green is dominated		

by special interest groups (88+10) which means largely sport, while the majority don't use the Green for sport at all (1)		
Remove cricket nets to new cricket pitch (1)		
Toilets		
Toilets need to be improved (1)		
Cleaner toilets! (1)		
One or two more dog poo bins along the "unmade-up" road side of the Green (1)		
Dog Warden not only on the Green (1)		
Parking		
Stop parking on the Green – it erodes the grass edges (1)	Speed camera in centre of village (1)	
Better parking outside Green and shop (1)		
Buildings		
Buildings stopped(1)		
No more houses! (2)		

1e. PLAYGROUND COMMENTS – 78 in total.

One comment unless stated otherwise.

Issue/ Concern/ Ideas	Comments building upon key Issue/ Concern/ Idea
Would like:	Football machine Vertical slide - 2 Mini marathon Waterslide Climbing wall Swing - 4

	See-saw - 6 Roundabout - 9 Rollercoaster - 4 Soft play Helter skelter Toddlers climb/slide - 11 Bungee ropes Monkey bars Fun climbing things Merry-go-round Bar to swing on Rope net Timber adventure play like fort at FFP
Provision of Astroturf	Near playground - 3 Not on Green
For Teenagers	Skate park, not necessarily on the Green Something for teens Make it a hang out
For Parents/Grandparents	Plenty of benches - 2
Safety	Slide too high for toddlers Need fencing - 8 Fencing (to keep dogs out) Why fence? Parking concerns in area - 2
Relating to Slide	Keep the slide - 13 New slide - 2 Open slide up - 2

General Comments	Waste of money – 1 Great idea/project/investment – 10 Play in woods/countryside – 2 Keep – good facility Just got back from Australia – their playgrounds are so much more imaginative, safe and more practical than ours everywhere.
Ways to Raise Money	Put article in ad vincula Organise cricket match

Section 3: Village Design Statement

3a: The Map - The data gathered from the map can be found at
https://maps.google.com/maps/ms?msid=217957723256239022425.0004bf5b32f09db7fd7e1&msa=0

Top 6 Spots

Favourite Spot - the Green

18 people

Favourite Spot - The Church Yard

10people

Favourite Spot - Harsfold Farm

6 people

Favourite Spot - Symonds Bridge

5 people

Favourite Spot - Lordings Lock

3 people

Favourite Spot - Newpound Lane

3 people

Top 6 Views

Favourite view - from the Church

21 people

Favourite View - village from the Green

9 people

Favourite View - From Harsfold Lane

9 person

Favourite View - From Carters Way/ the Luth

5 people

Favourite view - South path between Church & A272

5 people

Favourite view - from the path to Frithwood Farm

3 people

Top 6 Footpaths

Favourite Footpath - Upper Harsfold Lane

18 people

Favourite Footpath - Lower Harsfold Lane

6 people

Favourite Footpath - Howfold Lane

5 people

Favourite Footpath - Luth Fields

4 people

Favourite Footpath - the Long Fields linking Durbans Rd to Kirdford Rd

3 people

Favourite Footpath - alongside the Green

3 people

3b: The Future

THE FUTURE (39 post its in total) – connected to the map		
PEOPLE	**PLACE**	**CONCERNS**
Everybody is friendly and kind (1)	The balance is right – good people of all ages; Picturesque setting; Good community links Good pubs A lovely, lovely place to live (1)	**No mass housing** like Billinghsurst/Crawley (1)
Kind, helping and generous people (1)	Green, trees and old houses. No big car park (1)	Something to be done about **speeding** on A272, Durbans, Kirdford Rds and Newpound Lane and School Rd (1)
Wonderful friendly and caring village (1)	Church, Green, shop, rural setting, schools, pub and people who care (1)	The Green at the centre and the 'heart' of the village activities – ***not*** a 'drive-through' village (1)
Nice people (1)	Green, Church, Pubs, Hall, School + community	
Friendly people (1)	Active church; school; shop; Green; pond	
So many people care! (1)	The Green, the 'feel' of the community; Friendliness, Mix of housing styles (1)	
People (1)	Church	
Happy village (1)		
The community spirit (1)	Apparently WG is the only village with its Green surrounded on all 4 sides with interesting and carried houses and horse chestnut trees. Very picturesque. (1)	
Kind people make us one! (1)	The Green (2)	
	The views and walks (1)	
The people in the village! (1)	Keep the church and village hall traditional (1)	
	The green nature is what makes Wisborough Wisborough (1)	
People living here from young children into adults and therefore sharing village life and experience at different stages of their own lives. This perpetuates tradition AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE VILLAGE AND ITS NEEDS – AND ITS	Church, school pubs, Green (1)	

VALUE! (1)		
The people (1)	And all the greenery that goes with it	
Good community spirit – lots of activities for all (1)	Old/interesting buildings; The Green (1)	How can we stop people puttling half of their cars onto it?
People 91)	Green, church, hall, pubs	
		Stop the Cricketers from making so much noise after 10 pm. (1)
Ideas for the future		
Village surgery – even part-time would be good Village doctor (2) or village nurse (1)	I would like fisher's Farm to be open to all (4 yr old participant)	
Travel –to Billingshurst; pavement (1); Cycle lane (1) (and see comments below)		
Footpaths: Scheme of all weather off road route to Billinghsurst via (Rowner Lock?) should be considered (1)		