

# We need your family's input

## for the Crookham Village parish Neighbourhood Plan

### What's this about?

**This Parish has to absorb its share of Hart's 7,000+ house building target.**

With a Neighbourhood Plan we can influence how/where development happens plus say what infrastructure we want to support it.

As the plan must be based on what the community wants, we have set up a Steering Group to lead this process, made up of Parish Councillors and local representatives all working on your behalf to get this Plan right.

### What do I need to do?

The Neighbourhood Plan team has compiled the draft Vision and Objectives, based on previous surveys that you have taken part in, and now we need you to review them. Please take a few minutes to tell us if you agree, understand, care, or have a different opinion.

It's important that all ages in your household tell us whether they agree, or have any edits or better ideas. Your engagement now will give our Neighbourhood Plan a strong start.

**See you at the 'drop-in' event.**



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### How does this affect me?

In the past people we don't know made decisions that have affected our homes, community, families and environment.

This is your chance to stand up and say what is important to you. If you don't do it now, your opinions won't be represented and you will have lost your voice!



**You've received this because you live in Crookham Village Parish**

## Have we got it about right?

Here are our draft Vision and Objectives, based on your previous feedback. These are not yet fixed and **we welcome your input and suggestions**, to help make them stronger and account for all parts of our community.

### Draft Vision

*'Over the plan period until 2032, Crookham Village Parish will continue to be a thriving community, able to meet the housing, social and infrastructure needs of its mixed rural village and contemporary communities – while protecting its green spaces, rural environment and historic character for future generations.'*

### Draft Objectives

The 6 Objectives suggested by our community are:

#### 1. Housing

- a) Provide for a minimum of (figure to be confirmed) new dwellings between 2016 and 2032 in accordance with Hart District Council's draft Local Plan, whilst ensuring that the overall quantity of development does not put an unacceptable strain on the local infrastructure capacity.
- b) Provide housing on small scale sites (up to approximately 50 dwellings per site) that will accommodate the levels of growth proposed. Encourage developments designed sympathetically to the surroundings, with a mix of dwellings to support the needs of our local people, addressing requirements of first time buyers and the ageing community. Development within the 'old village' boundaries should be designed in harmony with the historic character of Crookham Village. Seek opportunities for rural exception schemes.
- c) Maintain the existing local gap between Fleet and Crookham Village and anywhere else that urban sprawl is likely, in order to prevent coalescence.
- d) Protect the rural setting and historic character of Crookham Village.
- e) Ensure that new housing developments prioritise brownfield sites where possible.

#### 2. Education

- a) Support any proposal for educational facilities within or adjacent to the Parish.
- b) Work to integrate St Nicholas' School (as our biggest local employer) more closely into the Parish.

**You have 4 easy ways to comment: In person on 10/11 Oct, by hand,**

### **3. The Environment**

- a) Maintain the Parish conservation areas, listed buildings and their settings.
- b) Protect the existing quality of landscape, encourage local biodiversity and maintain existing green spaces.
- c) Establish more community woodland for sustainable use of resources.
- d) Protect identified agricultural land for food production, including allotments.
- e) Minimise the risk of fluvial and surface water flooding.

### **4. The Local Economy**

- a) Protect existing commercial premises from change of use where existing businesses are of demonstrable benefit to the community.
- b) Encourage the availability of high speed broadband throughout the Parish.
- c) Seek space for a 'Business Hub' to support home working.

### **5. Transport and Movement**

- a) Minimise the impact of heavy traffic movement through Crookham Village, to preserve the character of The Street and the single file Malthouse Bridge, by seeking to avoid new developments adding traffic to a road that is already near capacity.
- b) Encourage the use of public transport and support and encourage bus service provision.
- c) Plan to avoid the use of narrow housing estate roads as 'rat runs'.
- d) Promote and maintain the current network of cycle paths, footways and public footpaths.

### **6. Health, Leisure and Wellbeing**

- a) There is currently one dentist's surgery, but no medical or pharmaceutical facilities within the parish. Encourage any such provision.
- b) Continue to support the current Zebon Copse Centre community hall and support additional facilities in the village, such as WI Hall and Social Club.
- c) Diversify leisure provision for the benefit of older children and adults.

**Is this OK, does it define what we need to do, or are we missing something?  
Please agree, edit or suggest better ideas and respond to us by 11 October.**

**Please respond, even if you simply agree with the draft.**

## Vision

I think it is fine:



I have some edits:



A general comment:



## Objectives

I think all 6 are fine:



I have some edits:



I have comments:

[illegible]

## My views, continued...

[illegible]

**Let us know if you need more copies – and where to send them**

## What happens next?

Once we get your feedback from the community on our Vision and Objectives, we will be able to write all our planning policies, which forms the next step.

## Can we speed up the plan?

If you and your household provide input at our consultations, like this one, we can stay on track and produce a strong plan.

## Please help!

The team needs volunteers, young and old, to do their bit to help finish the plan.

Ideas, editing, leaflet drops, all assistance welcome.

So please offer your help at the 'drop in' event, or email [choices@plan4crookham.org](mailto:choices@plan4crookham.org)

## 4 easy ways to respond

Tell us what you think about the Vision & Objectives **by 11 October**.

### Meet us at either of the Drop-In events on:

- Saturday **10 October** 3 - 5pm Zebon Copse Centre, or
  - Sunday **11 October** 2 - 4pm WI Hut, Crookham Village
- We will have more leaflets for you to make and leave your comments.

### Hand deliver your comments to staff at:

- Crookham Village Stores, The Street, Crookham Village, or
- The SPAR store, 25 Frenchman's Creek, Zebon Copse

### Complete our online 'V&O' survey at:

- [www.surveymonkey.com/r/plan4crookhamvando](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/plan4crookhamvando)

### Email your comments to us at:

- [choices@plan4crookham.org](mailto:choices@plan4crookham.org)

## Thank you!



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