



# BRIGHSTONE PARISH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Brook Hulverstone Mottistone Brighstone Limerstone

The following table is a summary of the comments received during the Consultation Days for the Brighstone Parish Neighbourhood Plan held on 28<sup>th</sup> February and 7<sup>th</sup> March 2015.

<p>Improving Community Services</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need an improved bus service</li> <li>• General agreement</li> <li>• We need to protect our local green spaces. This would be in agreement with the Green Infrastructure Report</li> <li>• We have enough services as it is except a lack of buses</li> <li>• Island Plan policies DM7 &amp; DM13 sets clear guidelines. It is right to consider the needs and requirements of all people in the community – when using the word wider (how much wider)?</li> <li>• Agree with you approach</li> <li>• It is very difficult to improve community services in view of the economic situation. Voluntary work should be encouraged.</li> <li>• Develop a partnership with Judith Stratton – Age UK who works in the village to develop the Good Neighbour scheme and other community opportunities.</li> <li>• Good approach</li> </ul>
<p>Community Safety</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nice to see community policemen/women</li> <li>• Agreed</li> <li>• Request for an interactive speed sign showing speed of the vehicle</li> <li>• Essential that police presence is maintained</li> <li>• We currently have low crime rates in the Parish of Brighstone. This is a result of it being a small and close community.</li> <li>• Building works would endanger driving, children etc. Our roads cannot sustain a development.</li> <li>• There is a large tree in the main road. Walkers have to go into the road</li> <li>• Agree with you approach</li> <li>• This can only be done effectively with more Government funding</li> <li>• Traffic calming on Upper Lane – one way system involving North Street</li> <li>• Is cold calling (selling door to door) an issue? Also, how to protect residents from online or telephone fraud?</li> </ul>

Creating a Sustainable Community

- Looks thorough
- I agree wholeheartedly with this
- Attention needed to water leaks – Warnes Lane , Moortown Lane and Main Road
- Flooding is a risk in certain parts of the community. Development of these areas should be avoided
- We are happy as we are. There are no jobs for people – what are they going to do stranded with a hopeless bus system.
- Why is this not considered to be part of the flood zone – the proposed area (Blanchards) is directly next to what looks like the most problematic area. Waiting to see the Environment Agency Flood mapping.
- To protect Brighstone as a village that appeals to walkers etc who use the B&Bs and shops is paramount. It is no good building more houses whilst reducing the income of the area. The GPs are already struggling to survive their workload, landing more patients on them from the more intensively needy sections of society seems ridiculous.
- Please consider community projects and the use of volunteers to build useful community projects
- Agree with you approach
- This is important and doing very well at the moment
- Development that enables elderly people in need of some form of sheltered provision to stay in the community – with infrastructure that supports that.
- Good approach
- The flood risk in parts of the parish is a real one and mustn't be ignored

Protecting our Environment

- Is there a policy on coastal erosion and its effects? E.g. Military Road
- Green Spaces should be preserved
- Limited building no large scale developments
- I would support the aims and objectives
- ERROR – Chapel in new road is shown as Open Space it is actually fenced for the chapel
- An open space must be retained at the Blanchards site, North Street and the Recreation Ground
- This is an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Already the Wilberforce estate has endangered this. Another development would be a disaster – too big ruining what is left of a beautiful village.
- Your policies reflect details of concern raised in the Residents Survey. It is important to conserve the character of the village
- Support the local mapping of green space and would like to see as many areas as possible included
- If flooding is caused by future development are residents affected able to sue the Council, as they have been warned by many local people who understand the history of the sites.
- Agree with you approach
- The foul sewer manhole in Mill Lane is still being a problem during heavy rain. After many years of bringing it to the attention of various bodies.
- This is important but wind turbines are not the answer. What about looking into solar tiles on all houses?
- Need much stronger statement about facilitating installation of solar/pv/wind into private housing and combating the current restrictive planning in Conservation Areas and the AONB.
- Good approach

Jobs and the Local Economy

- Additional rural businesses in disused buildings
- Please can we encourage a local home care service to be developed to service the older and growing older population. Comment from a Lead Retired Occupational Therapist who visits local older people regularly.
- We already have a good mix of employment in the local community. Primarily small businesses and agriculture.
- At the moment there are very few jobs available. The development will bring in skilled labour from outside – not locals. It will not lead to new jobs.
- Tourism is important to the local community and any future changes (if any) need to consider this. Holiday makers like the unique Island Character
- Could some of the currently derelict farm buildings be developed for use by high-tech industry, crafts etc?
- Where are the jobs coming from for people (extra) to live in the village? Are they all going to be retired or living on benefits?
- Agree with you approach
- This cannot be done by looking to expand this artificially. It can only be done by looking at expanding what we have in the village.
- Advertise to raise awareness of local businesses and encourage community to use them to support viability.
- Tourism for cyclists and walkers? Many cyclists and walkers pass through and explore the parish there should be improvements to encourage low impact tourism.
- As much encouragement as possible should be given to those who want to work from home – good broad band speed

Traffic and Transport

- Village traffic congestion would be helped by more considerate parking and meaningful enforcement.
- We need coach parking facilities – currently they just drive through with all those potential visitors and their money.
- More buses please.
- More houses = more cars = more traffic problems – particularly in the centre of Brighstone Village.
- The need for a better bus service
- No point in developing without local community bus service more regular. Given the older population we are going to be stuck! And workers will have to purchase cars!! Wissyly bus in Wiltshire is a good example.
- Bus services essential must not be reduced
- Vehicle speed is excessive, New Road, Military Road and Main Road.
- A more frequent bus service would help. Currently we have double decker buses which are normally only carrying a small number of passengers. Smaller more frequent buses would be welcome. There is little parking available in Brighstone which would not support an increase in population.
- I've already spoken about the appalling bus system. More traffic in the village would be very dangerous indeed, particularly for children and the elderly
- Street lights would prevent the astronomers from coming to the Island as we have one of the darkest skies due to lack of light pollution. Better transport would be a huge benefit even for tourism.
- The lack of pavement around the tree opposite the Lodge is extremely dangerous. It will become more so if further development takes place.
- There is enough now – need more buses
- Agree with you approach
- This is an ongoing problem. To avoid a major problem in the future, further development should be restricted to a minimum.
- A better bus service is very important but finance because of so many have passes that fares for the rest would be way too high – It won't work without support. It has to be considered for council funding if we are to become greener.
- We need a more frequent bus service compared with other areas we are poorly served. There is no need at the moment for traffic calming measures e.g. pinch points, as this would undoubtedly lead to further congestion and chaos.
- Need much stronger and specific plans for making cycling a viable and safe form of transport. This needs to be linked to Island wide plans to provide a comprehensive network of cycle lanes and cycle paths.
- Good approach
- With 28% of school children using the bus service is there any way to use part of the front apron of the school as a drop off point?

Design

- Stipulate local materials or those complementing local materials
- Keep roofs low so that we can enjoy the vistas. Minimal lighting.
- The design of Brighstone is fine as it is. It does not require further development which would ruin the character of our small village.
- Why build on a flood plain – one cannot get away from this it is a very unsound idea
- Agree with you approach
- Must be compatible with what we have at the moment
- Good approach
- Need to deal with increase in building size and value through extension and the impact that this has on affordability and demographic mix. Particular issue in Brook.
- Village Design Statement – building materials outside of conservation areas materials should be allowed which allow and encourage good design, whether that be modern or old.

Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reflect current housing stock availability in any new build proposals.</li> <li>• Maximise brown field opportunities.</li> <li>• Tie in with provision of additional services e.g. drainage, etc.</li> <li>• I agree it should be in small developments not large estates.</li> <li>• Affordable housing must be prioritised for key workers i.e. social care as we have a shortage of home carers living locally.</li> <li>• Proof of genuine need is essential with particular reference to Brighstone young people</li> <li>• Additional housing should only be built if there is a real need. Not just to meet government targets. There is already a good mix of housing in Brighstone and only limited development should be allowed</li> <li>• We have our quota of new houses in Brighstone</li> <li>• There is a lack of housing association houses for residents with there only being 2 bedroom bungalows occasionally available. It would be nice if a handful of larger homes could be available for village families who are forced to move out of their loved village!</li> <li>• If Blanchards were to go ahead with 55 houses on one site the village and community would not be able to sustain and accommodate the impact. The shops, drs, school and everything reliant on supporting a community would be inundated and the road system would break down. Please do not allow this to ruin this beautiful RURAL village.</li> <li>• Large developments like Blanchards should not be allowed as it will destroy village environment.</li> <li>• No large developments needed (e.g. Blanchards)</li> <li>• We suggest there is sufficient housing and there should be no more development.</li> <li>• Filling in Blanchards will ruin the village</li> <li>• Agree with you approach</li> <li>• Follow you approach plan strictly</li> <li>• The village does not need more housing on a big scale, such as Blanchards. I have doubts on the accuracy of the survey.</li> <li>• There is a need to identify and publicise existing housing, e.g. an affordable house was trying to be sold the owners now have decided not to bother. There will be more affordable housing on 'The Lodge' development.</li> <li>• Consider a staged approach to development on larger sites – phased with smaller plots being released as needed.</li> <li>• Good approach</li> </ul>
Other/ general comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We actually support everything done so far and hope that the Council will appreciate all the hard work put in. We are totally opposed to the Blanchards development as we consider this to breach the aims of the Neighbourhood Plan.</li> <li>• All looks well thought out.</li> <li>• Well done impressive work.</li> </ul>