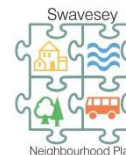


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Representatives: Vicki Bidwell, Sandie Smith

Notes: Sandie Smith

Atmosphere: 29, mainly older, women were present. There was a lively discussion with many having views to contribute on the various policy areas: The following comments were made.

1. Housing

- More smaller bungalows (2/3 beds) for older people to down size to when children leave home
- Houses need larger rooms with 2 car parking spaces
- Mix bungalows in with others houses
- 3 storey properties are not desirable
- Retirement homes are needed
- Move primary school and use that site for housing
- More truly affordable houses, even affordable homes are not affordable, shared ownership is a preferred option
- Development should be around the main core of village, so that there is a link for the new area to integrate with the rest of the village
- Larger homes need at least 3 car parking spaces to accommodate parking requirements for all drivers living there

2. Getting around the village

- Shuttle bus needed to get from Boxworth End to the guided busway stops
- Allocated parking for school drop offs
- Need cycle ways to be well maintained
- Wider, well lit footpaths
- Effective speed restrictions
- Rose and Crown Road needs to be upgraded if more housing is sited there

3. Public open space

- Green space needs to be built in and around housing developments
- Bowls facilities
- Community orchard
- Green buffer zone between older houses and new houses, gives water absorption, as well as light and privacy
- Buffer zone to include trees/recreation areas
- Underground collection of rubbish (see Eddington)

4. Flood risk

- Large underground tanks to store water (see Eddington)
- Attenuation ponds that work – well maintained and calculated at the correct size and effective system for taking away excess water. Must be managed.
- Permeable driveways and pavements to absorb water to reduce effects of run-off.
- Understand current flood risks and build away from them, it is not just the blue area on the Environment Agency map, eg behind Village College is not identified on the EA map.

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5. Village character

- Verges and green areas between housing, more hedges planted
- Maintain, or even increase green areas, as much green/trees as possible
- Parking restrictions on verges, pillars/posts to stop cars parking on them and ripping them up
- Developers should replace and make good the damage they have done to verges etc
- More allotments and community orchard

6. Employment and business

- Grow business area at Buckingway not in village
- Businesses need adequate parking spaces
- Need good access to doctors and chiropody in the centre of the village if possible
- Use garden behind existing doctors' surgery
- Keep the existing doctors surgery – don't move it.
- Remove the garages on the existing doctors surgery and use this as a driveway. Big garden at the back of the doctors surgery – use this for additional parking and allow the building to extend to accommodate village needs/requirements. Further land behind to allow them to grow further? Cheaper and more effective than building new facility.