Newton Flotman Neighbourhood Plan

Results of the Neighbourhood Plan Household Survey, March/April 2024

133 households responded out of 597 total households (Census 2021) in Newton Flotman, a 22% response rate.

ABOUT YOUR HOUSEHOLD

(1) What age are people in your household? (please specify number of people in each age group)

Summary of the data: A good cross section of the population responded to the household survey. The split is similar to the age profile of the parish (see page 27 of the Newton Flotman Data Profile).

Total across households: 133 respondents. Of those that responded, the following ages were represented:

- o 0-10 years old: 35
- o 11-20 years old: 29
- o 21-30 years old: 16
- o 31-40 years old: 37
- o 41-50 years old: 36
- o 51-60 years old: 43
- o 61-70 years old: 45
- o 71-80 years old: 64
- o 81+ years old: 7



(2) Please tell us about yourselves

Summary of the data: The majority of respondents are residents in the parish. 5 businesses are represented. Over a quarter of the respondents said they work elsewhere, and almost half are retired.



GENERAL QUESTIONS

(3) What is the one thing you value most about Newton Flotman parish? 123 responses

Summary of the data: 'Community' mentioned 26 times, 'village' mentioned 19 times, 'Norwich' mentioned 18 times, 'quiet' mentioned 16 times, 'access' mentioned 13 times. Action: review vision and objectives.



Generated by www.freewordcloudgenerator.com/generatewordcloud

Unsorted data

- (comments relate to the Council) Nothing. They have repeatedly failed to achieve previous promises: i.e. last years promise for skate park and BMX area
- A good feeling of community. Not overdeveloped. Easy access to Norwich.
- A nice village perfectly placed out of Norwich.
- A relatively peaceful village with friendly local inhabitants.
- o A relatively small village
- A very friendly community
- o A140
- Access to green spaces

- Access to the countryside
- areas for dog walking
- o Bus service
- o bus service
- o Close to Norwich and the countryside
- o Community
- o Community feel to village
- Community feeling
- o Community spirit.
- Community spirit.
- Community sprit and good neighbours.
- o Crime free safe environment
- Currently, its location but it could be so much more. It has always been a poor village and that now needs to change.
- o Doctors surgery
- Ease of access to Norwich & main trunk roads
- Easy access to A140, A11 and Norwich
- Easy access to Norwich from village and the fact it has a GP surgery in the village [albeit not every day and not that easy to gain an appointment.
- Easy access to Norwich.
- Everyone living here thinks of it as a village.
- Feel safe in the community, either walking around the village or surrounding countryside.
- Friendly helpful residents
- o friendly locals
- o Friendly people
- o good bus links to Norwich
- \circ Good feeling of community.
- o Green spaces for nice walks.
- How we look out for each other.
- \circ $\;$ How we look out for each other.
- I am not religious but I love to see the church lit up at night. We enjoy the events involving children at the church. We are pleased there is now a shop, could he host fresh local grown mini market on a Saturday morning
- o It feels rural but conveniently close to the city centre
- \circ $\;$ It is a lovely and involved community.
- It is a safe place to live (and the developing sense of community). I know that's two but they go together!
- o It is relatively safe.
- o It's a very peaceful, relaxed and friendly area.
- o It's community feel
- It's rural feel, not too big or busy
- Its proximity to Norwich but also its access and central position in south Norfolk.
- Its proximity to Norwich but also its access and central position in south Norfolk.
- o Its rural setting
- o its rurality and peacefulness.
- Kings green with the village sign and bench.
- Limited light pollution.
- Living in the countryside; seeing the wildlife; it's quiet but not too far from the city
- Location
- o location
- Location close to city but in country
- Location; proximity to countryside whilst near a major city
- Looking out for Newton Flotman
- Love the community spirit in the village there is something for everyone to do
- Low crime

- Most people you meet are friendly and smiley
- My family and good neighbours
- Neighbourhoods
- NF is a compact village, not too far from Norwich
- Nice and quiet. Friendly people.
- o Not Answered.
- Not in the city but close to it
- o Not really sure
- o Nothing
- Nothing cos I don't know what they do
- Open countryside
- o Our Home
- o Overall peaceful unspoilt
- o Peaceful
- o Peaceful
- Peaceful, good transport links
- o Peaceful, quiet, near to city and other local towns, Neat and tidy green areas
- o Peacefulness
- o Peacefulness
- Pleasant rural environment with good access to Norwich.
- Proximity to Norwich
- o Quiet
- o Quiet (at present)
- Quiet and in countryside
- o quiet and peaceful surrounds of our lovely village
- o quiet area to live
- Quiet at night Good amenities (e.g.) cafe, groups
- Quiet countryside
- o Quiet rural setting with easy access to Norwich
- o Quiet village life surrounded by many areas for walking.
- o Quiet, friendly, village with good access to Norwich
- Quiet, good location, proximity to Long Stratton amenities and Norwich.
- o quiet, pleasant to walk around, friendly neighbours
- Quiet, rural community. Wildlife, fields, environment.
- o Reliability
- Retaining its quietness, peaceful atmosphere
- Rural location but close to City.
- o Rural nature but proximity to city and main roads
- o Safe, kind environment
- Sense of community
- o Sense of community
- Sense of community.
- That it's a village community
- The bus service into Norwich otherwise I wouldn't be able to do any shopping.
- The community particularly in relation to the parish church
- The community feel
- The community spirit
- o The community.
- The fact its a small village
- o The isolation of Greenways and access to lots of places to walk
- The Lime Tree on corner of 1 Clabburn Close "should have a TPO on it"
- The Newton Flotman parish do a lot and go the extra mile for Newton Flotman
- The only GOOD thing About living here is being high on the hill, we do not flood.
- The park and green areas
- \circ The peace and quite and the friendship of the original home owners.
- The people, community spirit!

- The quietness; how clean it is; the little groups at the field
- o The quietness.
- The regular bus route to Norwich and great bus stop facilities
- The relative quietness and lack of built up areas
- The safe friendly community
- o The school, parks and fast road to A47
- The small community feel
- the village is relatively peaceful with little through traffic
- o village life & friends

(4) What would be the one thing you would improve about Newton Flotman parish?

119 responses

Summary of the data: 'Road' mentioned 23 times, 'Flordon' mentioned 15 times, 'village' mentioned 14 times, 'access' mentioned 13 times **Action:** review vision and objectives.



Generated by www.freewordcloudgenerator.com/generatewordcloud

- o (Circular) well signposted walks around the village and across to Smock Mill
- (comment about the council) A rise in their budget of 22.7% smacks of extortion and is not justifiable
- A decent shop with fresh food.
- A good local shop & cafe/pub.
- A more comprehensive shop, with more fresh foods/produce/bread, or a local pub.
- A pathway down Flordon Road it is too dangerous to walk down, and you will NEVER stop people speeding.
- o A pub
- o A pub
- A pub and maybe a bigger shop.
- A village pub and community hub

- A140 access to short street, in busy traffic it is extremely dangerous, every time we 0 want to return home we have to access the A140, filter into extreme high traffic then instantly holt the traffic to turn onto Short street where we live. The speed of the cars entering short street is also a concern, cars use it as if its a slip Rd if coming from long Stratton sometimes not slowing down until the junction at the end of short street onto Flordon rd., we also have heavy vehicles and double decker buses use the rd. and Junction. I think Short Street should be blocked of the same as the old junction on the bridge, and I'm sure every resident on Short Street feels the same. It can be very stressful leaving and returning to the property especially if you have forgotten something and have to go back out onto the A140 to gain access to the house again. We have been doing this for 20 years however since the Hemphall round about the traffic can be continuous with no breaks big enough to pull out then instantly indicate to turn back in, sometimes having to wait for some time in both directions being beeped and shouted at by other car users. As this originally was a two way rd. before it became a one way Street, residents only could safely have access to their properties from Flordon Rd. Its a big worry and concern.
- \circ a140 to bypass the village
- A140 traffic reduction
- A140/Flordon Road junction & parking in St Mary's Close
- Access and facilities
- Access to A140 southbound and drainage at the top of Church Lane.
- Access to A140, poor parking in numerous locations. Faster Broadband.
- o access to shops
- o Action
- o Amenities
- \circ $\;$ Amenities but we are lucky to have what we do
- o Amenities
- o Another shop
- o Another shop would be convenient
- Better access to A140 in view of approaching Long Stratton bypass. How will we turn right? It's bad enough now.
- Better access to A140, less speeding, grass verges maintained
- Better broadband connection hoping Giga clear complete the work as promised with the fibreoptic provision.
- o Better Dr facilities
- Better facilities a pub or proper shop
- o better facilities for children
- Better play facilities at the playing field.
- Better play facilities at the playing field.
- o Better play facilities.
- o Better village shop. Speed limit all the way down Church Road.
- Bus stop needs a pull in, buses parking 5 minutes or more means you cannot pass it."
- o condition of the roads, especially since the latest telecoms work
- Continue to work on sense of community (great progress have been made). The social club, youth club and village cafe are wonderful concept
- Dance hall parking on St. Mary's Close leading to dangerous junction with Flordon Road.
- Dogs to have there own bit of the field when off lead so not the dogs loose where children are playing
- Encourage local events
- Ensuring any planning expansion is undertaken sympathetic,
- Even more community spirit.
- o Exit onto the A140
- Flordon Road footpaths, speeding on Flordon Road, with a proper deterrent not a cheap fix.
- o Footpaths. There are no cycleways

- Full time GP Practice, or at least GPs in attendance more than at present and with sufficient provision for appointments in a timely manner.
- \circ $\,$ Get the village shop tidied up and more appealing to use
- o getting across the A140
- Have a local public house
- Have a nursery; have a bigger shop; the park not to be so water logged
- Help for the elderly to get to local events
- I would keep the grass cut on kings green as it has been for many years, during the summer it looks very untidy and could be a fire hazard.
- I would like less mowing at the village centre behind the centre along the hedge this could for wildlife. Also bird boxes could be put on the trees
- o Improve the quality of the shop.
- \circ $\,$ Improved and safer access on and of A140 $\,$
- o Improving grass areas by roadsides, no one seems to care about them!
- o Internet
- It's the most fearful junction to pull out of when a bus is stopped, there is a delivery at sea star and traffic is trying to turn off the A140 from Norwich onto the Flordon road !!"
- Junction onto A140
- o Junction with A140
- o Keeping the verges and roadsides in clean well kept state
- keeping up road cleaning. less parking on curbs. should use own parking areas
- Kings Green cut as used to be
- Local pub/restaurant within safe walking distance
- Local shops/facilities
- o More amenities
- More facilities for children
- o more local shops.
- More marked public footpaths around the area.
- o More meeting on Neighbourhood water and making friends in the village
- o More meeting on Neighbourhood water and making friends in the village
- \circ $\,$ More modern reliable busses, at the moment they keep breaking down.
- More new family sized homes to purchase, less buy to lets and social housing.
- More opportunities for social events
- o more red dog poo bins in greenways
- o More rubbish bins to try to minimise litter
- More shops and pub
- More wildlife areas.
- No dogs on playing field area.
- No more building works
- o Not sure as I don't know anything about the parish
- o Not to see anymore development
- Nothing cos I don't know what they do
- Nothing I am very happy in what is done in our village of Newton Flotman
- Nothing specific
- o Parking
- Parking!! Some is getting quite dangerous, blocking paths, roads and junctions.
- Path along Flordon Road and Church Road
- o Pavement and inconsiderate parking plus re-location of the bus stop outside of ARTS
- Provision for pedestrian pathway along Flordon Road
- o Public house and/or restaurant
- reduced speed limit on the a140
- o river maintenance
- Road safety including ease of access to A140
- Road widening at A140 junction to allow for right turn lane heading south.
- Roundabout at Flordon Road & A140
- Safe pedestrian access to Smock Mill.

- Social housing
- Sometimes the playing field has had a lack of equipment to play on
- Speed limit on Flordon Road to be enforced. Some drivers totally ignore the limit.
- o speeding controls
- Street lighting on Flordon Road and STOP vehicles parking opposite the junction of Alan Avenue onto Flordon Road as it is seriously dangerous
- o street lighting
- The closure of the cowardly local Facebook site. Which young new residents use to insult older residence.
- The facilities. We need a good shop. We need a bar, somewhere to go Friday, Saturday, Sunday.
- The field is too muddy
- the junction onto the a140
- The look / cleanliness
- the main through road a140 very difficult to get onto road due to volume of traffic and maybe worse with long Stratton bypass in place
- The one thing that would improve the village is "our village green back" to green again, as half the year it looks like a rubbish tip and nobody can sit there anymore. There are plenty of places at the top of the village for wildlife area's.
- The paths around the field being more pram friendly
- The southbound access to the A140.
- The volume and speed of vehicles driving along Flordon Road it needs to be addressed.
- Things to do in the parish
- Tidiness, lots of signs and communal areas are very tired. Playing area is very old and needs updating.
- Traffic control at bottom of hill at St. Mary's Close, the speed on road from Long Stratton and Swainsthorpe means it's almost impossible to cross the road on foot or by car.
- Traffic going through the village (volume and speed)
- o traffic, parking
- Turning right onto main road is very difficult. Box junction markings/ traffic lights would help
- Utilities/services for residents
- Walking paths and green spaces

HOUSING NEED & LOCATION

(5) Please tell us whether you or a member of your household (i.e. yourself, older children or dependents etc.) will need to change your housing within the next 5 years?

131 responses

Summary of the data: Just over one quarter of respondents indicated that they will need to change their housing within the next 5 years. This would mean a high turnover of home occupation and ownership. **Action:** reflect in housing mix policy.



(6) Are you looking for a bigger or smaller place to live? 36 responses

Summary of the data: Half of respondents are looking for smaller places to live, and half are looking for larger places to live. **Action:** reflect in housing mix policy.



(7) If the following were available in Newton Flotman, which would you be looking for?

34 responses

Summary of the data: The majority of respondents are looking to buy on the open market. There is some interest in First Homes, self-build/custom-build, social rent (housing association).

Action: Compare data with Housing Needs Assessment report and develop a policy around type and tenure of housing needed within the parish.



(8) If you, or a member of your household, are seeking to change your housing what type of property do you think you would be looking for?

Summary of the data: The majority of those seeking to change their housing are looking for a houses, particularly 3 bedroom properties. There is also interest in bungalows.

Action: Compare data with Housing Needs Assessment report and develop a policy around type of housing needed within the parish.



(9) If Newton Flotman had to accommodate more housing development in the future, where would be the most appropriate location(s)? 122 responses

Summary of the data: Ideas include

- o East of A140
- o Off Alan Avenue
- Newton Greenways
- o South of Brick Kilns Farm
- Land between Olive Avenue and St Mary's Close
- o Field to right of road leading to Village Centre
- o Flordon Road
- o Church Road, opposite the church
- Between Grove Way and Railway

Action: consider places where development could go in the future.

- o South of the village past Indian restaurant
- Other side of A140
- o Not fussed
- Outside of the village. If Newton Flotman was to expand, we'd likely want to move to maintain the rural lifestyle
- o Don't know
- o South of the village past Indian restaurant
- I want to stay as it is.
- o sites off Alan avenue
- o Off Flordon road
- o field's further down Flordon road
- Land off Alan Avenue (FW Development)
- Land off Alan Avenue (FW Development)
- o Not sure
- o Anywhere that was appropriate
- o Adjoining Alan Avenue
- I don't know
- No idea.
- Newton Greenways or south of Brick Kilns Farm
- Nowhere, it has a finy shop and not enough facilities to cope with the amount of residents currently living here.
- Small developments next to village centre and south of A140. Nothing needing access to Flordon Road. Small developments tend to be of better quality. Consider piece of land between olive Avenue and St Mary's close
- Field to right of road leading to village centre
- o None
- Fields at top of Alan avenue.
- Not in Newton Flotman.
- I do not feel that the infrastructure in our village is suitable for additional housing
- Infill within the village without enlarging outer surrounds, so adjacent to Alan Avenue.
- Nowhere, the infrastructure is restrictive, namely ingress and egress onto the A140
- No more housing, there is nowhere to put it!
- No more housing development. Roads not suitable
- North of playing field.
- o Don't know
- o Near the big park, Alan Avenue, along Flordon Road
- The most appropriate site would be in the fields on the corner of Alan Avenue with a road onto Flordon Road
- Fields near railway line
- Pound lane area

- I don't feel the school or doctors can take anymore input. Also traffic coming in or out of the small roads
- o None
- It's too big now for the facilities we have.
- On brownfield land
- o Behind Flordon Road
- At the top of Newton near the railway line
- o unless infrastructure is upgraded no more housing please! i.e. sewerage etc
- o not in this area as lack of road space and parking
- nowhere. we do not need any further traffic entering the a140 which will already become even more grid locked when long Stratton is further developed
- where it is planned, Alan Avenue area, away from the A140 but in walking distance of primary school
- o more houses would cause more problems joining the a140
- \circ $\,$ land to the east of a140, infill / garden plots across parish
- o long Stratton
- Off Flordon Road, off church road, but road would need widening, North East of the A140 but pedestrian access across A140 would need considering
- o Don't know
- Somewhere where an improved infrastructure would be put in place.
- Linked to Alan avenue development so as not to break up countryside
- o Not too worried it would just be a great blessing to have a place
- Near existing housing and roads
- Flordon Road as it is the widest thoroughfare with any land that could be built upon.
- o land behind bus stop opposite bike shop
- o Nowhere the roads are far too congested already
- o Greenways
- In the field on Church Road, opposite the church
- Infill between Grove Way and Railway or North of Church Road. Both would require improvements to Church Rd and Flordon Road junctions with A140
- Nowhere. There is far too much development already. access to and from the village is already overcrowded.
- o Not on flood ground
- \circ ~ I do not know here would be an appropriate location
- o None
- o unsure
- o Nowhere
- within the village, not on boundaries
- o not sure
- o (Norwich or Long Stratton) protect our village status
- Alongside Allen avenue
- o Don't know.
- North of the Flordon road junction with the A140.
- Not Answered.
- Totally disagree that more housing is required as see reports regarding future demography & fall in numbers of children going to Primary School.
- o Unsure
- I don't think there is any space for additional housing plus there are literally not enough amenities and infrastructure
- We do not honestly believe there is any scope for "developer" type housing, and certainly nothing in Flordon Road especially given the relatively narrow winding road, and again, the disregard by motorists to drive carefully.
- North of the village or west of the railway line.
- Not on agricultural land.
- o Between Grove Way and the railway line, to the left of the Village Centre
- The "Firs" side to build a link to Mulbarton.

- o On the field the other side of Church Road
- To the west of Alan Avenue.
- Area between Grove Road and the level crossing.
- o Possibly the fields behind the Rectory.
- Adjacent to existing developments
- ? Nowhere lets keep it as it is
- o N/A
- North or south of the village
- Top end Church Road after Grove Way near railway crossing and near village hall
- \circ $\,$ The top end of the village to the side of the playing field
- New closes to be created rather than add onto existing.
- o There isn't anywhere
- o Fields off Alan Avenue , behind Flordon Road
- Anywhere away from using Alan Avenue as an entrance to the new development
- \circ Land off Flordon Road
- Any brown land only
- None I can pinpoint.
- o Land off Alan Avenue
- Newton Flotman cannot support more housing. Improve infrastructure first then see
- o nowhere
- Off Flordon Road on the way to Flordon seems the only obvious answer, though it would lead to further traffic problems.
- Top of village i.e. Church Road or over the back of the cottages at the end of Flordon Road.
- o Between the current village and the train lines
- o Flordon Road
- near the village hall and beyond
- On the slopes of the hill between Flordon Road and the railway line
- Where current permission has been granted off Alan Avenue and Flordon Road.
- East of A140, serviced by a roundabout
- As long as it leaves the dog walking field and some nice views where it needs to be. The Outlook where the pylons are (minus the pylons) is one of my favourites
- On the edge of the village such as near Rainthorpe hall or off Church Road near the railway line. This could be an infill between Grove road and the existing bungalows on church road.
- As driven by access, services etc
- I don't know but not using Alan Avenue!
- \circ $\;$ Southern end of village.
- No opinion.
- o newton greenways
- The field that borders the playing field.
- Land at the top of Church Road, next to railway line, adjoining roadway to village hall.
- Not sure.
- o Not sure
- Back of Alan Avenue (Controversial), field other side of Church Road (Opposite church), field adjacent to entrance to village centre.

(10) If South Norfolk Council allocates more housing to Newton Flotman in the future, how should the housing be distributed?

127 responses

Summary of the data: Most support for 'individual homes', then 'small sites of less than 6 homes'. The smaller the development size, the greater the support.



Action: Develop a policy on preference of sizes of development.

(11) If Newton Flotman had to accommodate more housing development in the future, where should it NOT go?

120 responses

Summary of the data: Ideas include

- o Alan Avenue
- o Flordon Road
- Within the flood plain
- End of Olive Avenue
- Farm land/fields
- o Greenways
- o Grove Way
- Near the church
- Playing field

Action: consider places where development should be avoided in the future.

- Again no idea, but I guess we'd want to keep enough green spaces to make it still feel like a country village.
- o Alan Avenue
- o Alan Avenue
- Alan avenue
- $_{\odot}$ $\,$ Alan Avenue its already a nightmare to drive up and down
- o Alan avenue, Flordon road
- Alan Avenue, inadequate access, emergency vehicles WOULD struggle.
- Along Flordon Road, the houses at the bottom of Dell close are already suffering from insufficient drainage.
- Any new development should NOT be able to use Alan Avenue but have a separate road onto Flordon Road
- \circ $\;$ Any where that leads onto the Flordon Road.

- Anywhere The A140 cannot cope with extra traffic The junction near the ARTS School is a death trap
- Anywhere around the Tas flood plain.
- Anywhere designated as flood plain.
- Anywhere near the A140
- Anywhere needing access off Flordon Road as this is already too busy with speeding drivers
- o Anywhere needing Alan Avenue or Flordon Road access
- Anywhere off Alan Avenue, which is totally unsuitable for more traffic despite NCC's view !
- Anywhere out of the Village.
- Anywhere that does not have good road access.
- Anywhere that impacts residents already here
- Anywhere that the only exit would lead onto Alan Avenue as this road is already too congested and has numerous bends.
- Anywhere there is green space / fields
- o Anywhere which requires access to Alan Avenue.
- \circ $\,$ Anywhere. The A140 cannot cope with the existing traffic as it is
- o At the end of Olive Avenue
- o Behind houses on Flordon Road right side as you head towards Flordon
- Between edge if village and Flordon (Rainthorpe Hall stretch of road)
- By main roads
- By the river, on the playing field, beside the railway line
- By the side of Alan Avenue.
- Church Road due to bad access, narrow road., Any social housing should be available for local residents before offering outside of village.
- Close to the railway line.
- o Current agricultural land.
- o Don't know
- o Don't know
- o don't know
- o east of A140
- Existing playing fields
- Farmland over the back of the village.
- Fields at the top of the village
- Fields behind Grove Way and Playing Field.
- Flooding areas
- Flordon road area, as this already a very busy road with too much traffic due to HGVs travelling to and from the sites in Flordon
- Flordon road as the road Is not wide enough to cope with the increased traffic that is speeding through the village as it is.
- Flordon Road.
- o Green field sites
- o Green land
- o Greens and rec
- Greenways. This is a peaceful rural lane unsuitable for more traffic and a favourite place for cyclists and dog walkers. No mains drainage
- o Grove Way
- Improve infrastructure
- \circ $\,$ In the Fields adjacent to the A140 in the direction of Norwich
- o Land currently used for agricultural purposes
- Limited availability, possibly the field on the right side of the road leading to village hall
- o more houses would cause more problems joining the a140
- o N/A
- o N/A

- Near any of the current new builds as roads not big enough or suitable for increased traffic.
- Near church, near old street/bridge, near railway (fields)
- o Near the motorbike garage
- \circ Near the motorbike garage
- Near the river
- Near the river/floodplain
- \circ $\,$ Near the school and doctors
- \circ $\,$ No comment really but to keep within a mile of the school is sensible
- No further development
- No more spreading housing out into the countryside. We need to protect wildlife, environment & food security.
- No more infill between Flordon Rd and Greenways
- No opinion.
- o No specific sites
- Not along Flordon Road
- Not encroaching on playing field of school or recreation ground.
- Not go on conservation areas
- o not in green areas on outskirts
- o not in rural lanes. roads not made for it
- Not in the nature reserve & floodplain are or Tas Valley.
- o not in this areas as lack of parking and road space
- Not on Flordon Road towards Flordon. Not on left of Church Road towards Mulbarton.
- Not on greenbelt
- Not on the flood plain, unless design mitigates for flood, anywhere where access routes haven't properly been considered for all impacted
- Not on the playing fields.
- Not over the park/playing field
- o not sure
- Not too close to the park
- o Not where it is build up already
- Nowhere. Where in the village does the group think more houses could be built?
- Off Alan Avenue as it is already exceptionally busy and not equipped for an increase in traffic.
- o Off Alan Avenue without another access road
- o Off Alan Avenue, the road cannot cope with more through traffic
- o Off Alan Avenue!
- o Off Flordon Road
- Off the back of Alan Avenue, no more through traffic.
- On agricultural land.
- On green spaces or farmland
- On nearby green spaces. Don't destroy the reason we live here!
- o On new open fields; no removal of mature trees or hedges
- o On our green spaces
- On the land leading to the river from chandlers, this area has poor access and is a flood risk
- \circ On the other side of the A140
- o on the playing field
- o Playing Field
- Probably no more with access via Alan Avenue. If that means another access road of the Flordon Road - perhaps using the route planned for works access - this should not be allowed until there is a footpath along the Flordon Road and the A140 junction is improved.
- Roads are too narrow on existing estates so any development using those as access roads, either for the builders or ongoing residents once the properties are built, could present a risk to those having to use them.

- See above. Not on the dog walking field adjacent to the start of the field on the Alan avenue side and the surrounding fields as that view is rare nowadays.
- \circ $\,$ South of the Flordon road junction with the A140 $\,$
- South of the village hall.
- South/East of the railway line.
- \circ $\,$ The flood plain.
- The green meadows between Alan Avenue and the old pig farm.
- Top of Alan Avenue
- Toward the river
- Towards Newton Greenways as road could not accommodate.
- o unsure
- Village Green not near the a140
- Village green.
- Where it impacts on current residents or spoils the nature/walking sites
- \circ $\;$ Where the drainage is already a problem e.g. near Alan Avenue
- Where the newer estates already are, speak it out a little bit.
- \circ Where there is insufficient space for the size of the development
- o Within the current structure of the village

DESIGN & HERITAGE

(12) What features would you like to see included in any new development? 130 responses

Summary of the data: Particular support for

- Off street parking (80.8%), compared to on street parking (4.6%)
- Trees, hedges and planting (78.5%)
- Homes no higher than 2 stores (60%), compared to homes no higher than 3 stores (6%)
- Wildlife areas (67.7%)
- Gardens (64.6%)
- Connecting footpaths (57.7%)
- Solar panels on roofs (53.8%)
- Low carbon/energy efficient design (53.8%)
- Variety of housing styles (50%)

Action: feed into Design Code work.



(13) Are there any other design features that new developments should include?

69 responses

Summary of the data: Ideas include

- Adequate road widths
- Air conditioning
- Dog run area
- Environmentally efficient heating
- Garages large enough for modern cars
- o Lakes
- o Open spaces
- o Parks
- o Play space
- Porous surfaces
- Social spaces
- o Speed restrictions
- Village amenities
- o Visitor parking
- o Walks

Action: feed into Design Code work.

- Adequate road widths e.g. not like Alan Avenue, which is far too narrow with sharp bends.
- \circ air conditioning

- All should have green spaces for animals and wildlife friendly gardens.
- o ample off street parking
- \circ answers above cover it
- \circ $\,$ Area for visitor parking.
- o As above
- o Better doctors, school, shops, social clubs/pub to support larger village size
- o Characteristic to surrounding properties.
- o Don't know
- o Drainage
- Enclosed dog run area's
- Energy conserving features (or tapping solar panels), porous road/drive covering to and drainage, 'rain garden' features
- Energy efficient heating systems
- Energy efficient houses and bungalows.
- Enough parking spaces for 2 cars per household.
- \circ $\,$ environmental points above as I cannot tick them $\,$
- o Garages big enough for cars to be kept in
- Garages big enough to house modern cars.
- o Garages that are suitable to accommodate average size car
- Garages/car ports
- Green spaces in keeping with the village.
- Ground source heat pumps, double insulated walls, low environmental impact, affordable housing suitable for first time buyers
- Having a normal sized garden, not a tiny garden like most new builds have. We love our big garden and think it's very important in family life.
- o Home security, fully gated properties
- Houses should be of different designs not uniform.
- If south facing, homes would be available to fit solar panels. Also roads wide enough access for emergency vehicles.
- Improve facilities at the park
- $\circ~$ It feels like we have plenty of affordable homes under £270k but lack modern (less than 10 year old) 4 bedroom homes.
- Less hard landscaping
- List above is pretty comprehensive
- Make sure there is good drainage. The clay soil does not drain well. People living at the bottom of the hill do not want to be flooded
- \circ $\,$ More bungalows and affordable dwellings with off road parking.
- More flint and parks
- o n/a
- o N/A
- o No
- o No
- o No
- Not answered
- Not Answered.
- Not sure
- Not sure
- Not sure.
- Off road parking
- Off Street Parking
- Off street parking
- Off street parking, traffic calming measures, increase in cars would need amendments to the Flordon Rd, A140 junction, connecting footpaths, cycle lanes,
- parking off road, in Norfolk unless you live in city centre you will have multiple cars per house
- o Parks

- Parks, lakes and walks.
- Parks, lakes and walks.
- o Pathways
- Places for children of all ages to enjoy
- o Play areas or green spaces
- \circ plenty of car parking space
- o Shop
- o should be designed to not overlook existing housing
- Social spaces or investment in existing communities infrastructure such as an extension of the village centre for a designated social club.
- \circ $\,$ Solar panels on all roofs. Adequate drainage on properties.
- o south facing roof, no tiles, all solar panels
- Space for visitor parking
- Space for visitor parking
- \circ Speed restrictions/ traffic calming measures
- They must improve drainage and ensure current drainage can cope to reduce any future flooding
- \circ To 'fit in'
- To be as unobtrusive as possible
- Traditional home designs
- Unable to select multiple answers for question 12
- Wide enough roads to accommodate traffic and visitors who need to park [or parking areas to enable visitors to park.
- Wide road so you can still have parking and get by
- Wide streets. Open spaces. Decent gardens.

(14) There are 10 listed buildings in the parish

(www.britishlistedbuildings.co.uk). Which buildings or features NOT listed have significant local heritage value due to their age, rarity, aesthetic interest, archaeological interest, historical association, landmark status or social and communal value?

54 responses

Summary of the data: Ideas include

- o Asward
- o Chandlers, Flordon Road
- Cottages in Greenways
- o Crane Farm
- Dance School building
- o Holland House, Ipswich Road
- o Kings Green
- Old Rectory, Church Road
- Old river bridge
- Old Street
- Rosemary Cottage, Flordon Road
- o Rush Meadow
- Village sign

Action: Check against Listed Buildings list. Short list potential Nondesignated Heritage Assets list and undertake assessment.

- Can't think of any
- o Chandlers, Flordon Road. Rosemary Cottages, Flordon Road.
- cottages in greenways
- Cottages in Newton Greenways and at Flordon end of Flordon Road, Old Street, Holland House on Ipswich Road, Asward, Crane Farm, Village sign
- o Dance School Building
- Difficult to answer this question needs to be answered by the people who own such properties.
- o Don't know
- o Don't know.
- Don't know.
- o Don't know
- o Don't know
- Greenways, as it is the starting point for many walks and access to nature
- o I'm not sure as we have not seen the features of these listed properties
- o Kings Green, Old/Short street housing areas,
- o N/A
- o N/A
- o NA
- newton Flotman old bridge
- o Nil
- No opinion
- o none
- o None that I can think of
- None that I know of
- o None that we know of
- Not answered
- \circ Not answered.
- Not Answered.
- o Not sure
- o Not sure
- o Not sure
- Not sure, community centre? School?
- Not sure.
- Old School? (ARTS?) The sign? As gates are listed could this be?
- o Rush Meadow was the home and workshop of Artist Mary Newcombe
- Some of the older cottages.
- The church of St Nary always priority. Holland House Ipswich Road Newton Flotmanused to be school and vicarage
- The community centre should be kept or something like it is very important for the village.
- \circ $\;$ The former pub is still listed as the Maid's Head Public House $\;$
- o The Old Rectory Church Road
- o The old river bridge
- The village sign.
- o Unknown
- o Unknown.

o Unsure

(15) How could the old bridge at the end of Old Street be better used? 84 responses

Summary of the data: Ideas include

- o Seating
- o Access
- o Planting/flowers
- o Mobile shops
- Bird boxes
- o Shop
- o Garden area
- Green space
- Wildlife area
- Cvcle route

Action: Consider a site specific policy or project.

- A seat and a couple of trees overlooking the river.
- a walkway area overlooking river and wildlife, and people love it, and not worrying about traffic
- Access created to paddle in the river.
- Access to the river Tas as it use to be
- Add in as a cycle route and decorative planting perhaps (village in bloom)
- Allow mobile shops (green grocer, baker, butcher, etc.) to set up there on Saturdays.
- An occasional market?
- o Bench
- Benches/bird boxes etc.
- o Better left alone
- Better presented, with maybe a bench and small grass area.
- Build a fish and chip shop and parking, being alone there would be very little risk to other properties.
- Cafe close to where dog bin is patio area. Why is river not being cleared & maintained as in past?
- Can't think of a particular use, but it is a pleasant place to watch the river and wildlife.
- Cleaned up a bit? Not really sure.
- o Communal resources (e.g. book share), small planted garden area with seating,
- o Conservation area, large planters
- Development of attractive planting, trees and seating.
- o Don't know
- o don't know
- o Don't know.
- o don't think it needs to be
- o Don't know
- o Don't know
- \circ Fine as is
- Flower planters and or baskets on or by the bridge. Bench beside railings to rest when looking at the river
- Flower planting area's added.
- o Flowers on it

- Give access to the rive for fishing or walking or boats
- o good now
- o Green space, seating
- o Habitats for wildlife, in and around the bridge
- How about a river wildlife viewing area. Information board. List of sightings??
- I do not have an opinion of how this can be better used, it is a nice foot walk around the village, certainly do not open it up, perhaps clean the river and create a social area
- If this was made a public highway it would relieve some of the traffic congestion in the village
- Improved railings at the A140 end to stop motor vehicles but allow pedestrians and cyclists to access the bridge. General maintenance to the structure with a level surface installed to allow everyone access, including wheelchairs. The possibility of having functions or events take place upon the bridge for the local community.
- o Is it accessible?
- It could be 'greened' and thought given to seats, planters interpretation board on what wild life to see along the river and info about the River Was and the Mill
- o It could have a bench and planters
- o It couldn't
- o It does not need to be. Leave it alone.
- It should have a zebra crossing across the A140 to help people cross the road, it's extremely difficult and dangerous for residents to cross safely.
- It would be nice to be able to access the river at the bridge for family fun and also river walks.
- \circ $\;$ It's fine as it is
- its fine as it is. yearly pooh stick contest
- Larger river area like boating lake fishing paddle boarding area
- Larger river area like boating lake fishing paddle boarding area
- o Leave as is
- Leave it alone, its fine as is. Stop spending other people's money
- Left alone, in a natural surroundings
- \circ $\,$ Like it as it is. A point where you can watch the river.
- make it a meeting point
- \circ $\,$ May wild flowers on the grass bit near the pooh bin and railings
- Maybe utilising a 'coffee van' and allowing bistro seating might be an option.
- o N/A
- o N/A
- no leave it alone. I live at waterside gardens and the residents jointly own the garden at the bridge, we like to keep it private and secure.
- o No comment
- o no comment
- o No idea
- o No idea
- No opinion
- Non private access to water.
- o Not Answered.
- o Not really sure
- o Not sure
- o not sure
- Not sure but it is unsightly.
- Permanent storage bin for poo sticks
- o Possible seating
- Providing some access to the river bank. Land registry only lists boundaries up to the old mill spillway which was well left of the present river route. Is the land thus not public or unregistered? The walkway from Dell Close to the Maid's Head used to be very popular.

- Remove to allow better water flow
- Seating etc.
- \circ Seating?
- Seats and planters
- Seats on bridge for fishing / nature watching
- o Social events.
- some interpretation panels about the bridge, the village long ago and the traffic that once used it would be good. See Thornham old bridge in Buckinghamshire for this.
- Some pleasant seating?
- \circ Something for community focused
- o Unknown
- We use it regularly to take our children to see the ducks, would like for this to remain as a pass through but maybe somewhere we can sit and look at the river
- Why does it have to have a use? Why just tear down an original bridge which is not in anyone's way, and is used by pedestrians.
- o Yes

(16) Are there any sites in the parish that would benefit from development/change of use? If so, please name them.

66 responses

Summary of the data: Ideas include

- o Improvements to the Village Centre
- Improvements to the playing field
- Land by the river beyond Holland House, Ipswich Road
- Motorbike garage
- Land south of A140 before Cargate Lane
- Land between Olive Avenue and St Mary's Close
- Field next to playing field (behind 121 to 127 Alan Avenue)
- Vacant properties off the Lake on Ipswich Road opposite Seastar Superbikes

• wasteland near bus stop for community use or new shop

Action: Consider a policy of opportunity sites or change of use.

- A custom built pub/cafe on the Village Hall site.
- Access to Smockmill common on foot.
- Across the A140 from Kings Green the space by the by the river beyond Holland House on Ipswich Road - could that be amenity land or managed better for wildlife?
- Alan Avenue = Recreation centre and green space with parking facilities (Possibly including child facilities).
- Bring back the Maids Head Pub
- o Cannot answer.
- o Don't know.
- o Don't know.
- o Don't know
- Fence around the children' play area beside the Village hall, develop the playing field with more and better equipment for people to use
- Field behind village hall to be completely enclosed for dog area. Playing field to be dogs on leads only or children's play area to be fenced off to prevent dogs.
- \circ $\;$ Improvement of the shop for more relevant and fresh produce.
- \circ $\,$ Kings Green to be well maintained and regularly cut.

- o land behind bus stop to provide link to smockmill common,
- Land east of a140 into something community used or focused
- Land next to shop looks a dump, could they be forced to tidy it up, put benches there?
- Land to East of A140 up to River
- More access to the river
- More planters or colourful plants as you come into Newton Flotman (near Newton Flotman sign) or even hanging baskets near sign
- \circ $\,$ More things of interest for teens at the village centre
- Motor Cycle garage area would be much more useful as shops
- Motorbike garage, turn it into a pool and leisure facility. The field next to the village centre (joined) could become a secure dog walking park.
- o N/A
- o N/A
- o N/A
- Newton Flotman playing field.
- o Nil
- o No
- No opinion
- o No.
- o none
- o None
- Not answered.
- o Not sure
- o Not sure
- o Not sure
- o Other than traffic improvements I cannot think of anything at present
- Piece of waste land, South of the A140 before cargate lane. Piece of land between Olive Avenue and St Mary's close
- \circ $\,$ Playing field , seems to be a dog running of lead area at moment
- Playing field could have an enclosed dog area to reduce mess around the playing field. Tennis courts, BMX track / skate park
- Public access to the river reinstated.
- o public right of way at old bridge at newton Flotman
- Safer walking on Flordon Road.
- School Road being one way.
- Shop more appealing
- o Short Street access, speeding, A140 Traffic flow
- o the art school
- The bus stop could do with a bit of TLC.
- The field next to the playing field, behind no's 121 to 127 Alan Avenue should be designated common land (or similar) for residents use
- The Kings Green could have nest boxes on the trees and more bulbs planted for spring flowers
- The land down street from the newton bridge could have some trees
- The local shop
- The nursery school to reopen; the bus stops need to be cleaned/revamped; the little shop to be cleaned/revamped on the outside
- The old school too much on street parking, especially near the junction
- o Unknown
- o Vacant properties off the Lake on Ipswich Road opposite Seastar Superbikes
- Village centre external, be nice to see some plants, greenery

- Village centre and playing field
- Village hall and green more accessible
- wasteland near bus stop for community use or new shop

NATURAL ENVIORNMENT

(17) Are there any views or vistas within the parish that we should look to retain?

71 responses

Summary of the data: Ideas include

- o Riverside walk
- Views of the church
- o Bridge area
- Fields near railway track
- Church area
- Church Road across fields to north
- Fields adjacent to the village hall at the end of Alan Avenue
- From the stables to the houses on Greenways, towards Mulbarton
- From top of hill near the Old Rectory
- From village hall towards Flordon over fields
- Playing field
- Woodland and open space across Flordon Road from Rainthorpe Hall
- King's Green as the entrance to the village
- Land behind Chandlers leading to the river
- South West and North West, across fields from the Alan King Playing Field
- Down Church Road looking toward the church and across the valley beyond
- Looking North East from Cranes Farm across fields
- Farmland around Newton Greenways, Policeman's Wood, fields west of Policeman's Woods, fields and farmland to south of village centre (the ones already blighted by the pylons)

Action: Develop an important local views policy.

- (1) As there are very few old buildings maintain views and vistas of those we have. (2) Riverside walk.
- o All
- All green spaces
- $\circ \quad \text{All of them} \quad$
- \circ all of them
- o Any green spaces we have left
- o any view of the church
- Anywhere that hasn't been built on, should be left exactly as it is, Newton Flotman does not need any further development with such little amenities.
- o as much green as possible

- Church area. Bridge area. Fields near railway
- o Don't know
- o Don't know.
- \circ $\ \ \,$ field adjacent to the village hall at the end of Alan Avenue
- From the stables to the houses on Greenways.
- From top of hill near the Old Rectory
- From village hall towards Flordon over fields.
- Green spaces including playing fields and grass by a140
- I think developments should be kept small and no large developments that would greatly change the views should be permitted.
- I would like to keep the beautiful woodland and open ground across the Flordon Road from Rainthorpe Hall
- Keep sidefield by playing field for dog walkers. Keep all green areas as they are & stop spreading houses into agricultural & green spaces or you will change Norfolk rural areas for the worse for future generations.
- o King's Green
- o kings green and all greens
- Kings Green as the entrance to the village first impressions of a village with pride in the environment.
- Land behind chandlers leading to river, good conservation area for wildlife and deer
- Leave everything the way it is with the exception of another shop
- o Nil
- o no
- o No
- o No
- No pylons and large area of solar panels which are detrimental to visual amenities, views across valley.
- o None
- Not Answered.
- \circ Not aware of any.
- o old relish restaurant, the old bridge, the church
- On the rough land behind village hall there is a marvellous view over the surrounding countryside .similarly on the land on the land beyond Greenways towards Mulbarton there are some marvellous countryside views in all directions. Particularly towards Shotesham and Stoke.
- Play areas and the allotments
- o playing field views
- o Playing field, Village Green, The river
- Playing field/village hall
- Retaining fields on entry and exit of the village on the A140 to keep the village looking like a village and not spilling into the neighbouring villages with no separation - like the developments are ending up merging Wymondham and Hethersett appear to.
- See above. Also the village green. The rive is already a bit ruined by the factory but it would be nice if it didn't get worse.
- Tas Valley meadow and woodlands. Community allotments.
- The big park/field and trees around it
- o the church
- The field opposite the old bridge could be tidied up, also turned into an open space attraction next to the river with possible ice cream facility et. for the summer months.
- o The field views across from the current developments towards the railway line
- The fields next to Alan Avenue, where existing planning permission has already been granted for part.
- The green
- The green on arriving is a lovely feature of the village and be retained.
- The green, park
- The one from the top of the church!

- \circ $\,$ The open view from the top of the village
- The river up and downstream from the church
- The river; the park/field; the church
- The view from the village centre playing field over the fields
- \circ $\,$ The views from the playing fields across the valley
- The walk around the field at the village centre
- Vie from Church Road across fields to north, view of fields through the trees along driveway to Village Hall. Views of old properties and fields along Greenways
- $_{\odot}$ $\,$ View of church from A140 as you approach from Norwich
- View of the river from the bridge. View of church from A140 as you approach Newton Flotman and Kings Green.
- View off the old Bridge, views across fields surrounding Monks Farm in Newton Greenways
- \circ View up the river Tas
- \circ $\,$ Views around the river
- Views, both South West and North West, across fields from the Alan King Playing Field.
 View down Church Road looking toward the church and across the valley beyond.
 View looking North East from Cranes Farm across fields.
- o village green
- o Village Green
- Well maintained village green, with flowers and seating and trees
- Yes, the farmland around Newton Greenways, Policeman's Wood, fields west of Policeman's Woods, fields and farmland to south of village centre (the ones already blighted by the pylons)

(18) Please name any areas you know of that are prone to localised flooding and should be identified within the Neighbourhood Plan. 79 responses

Summary of the data: Ideas include

- Alan Avenue
- Flordon Road
- Playing field car park and access road
- Tas valley
- Back of Dell Close
- Back of houses on left of Flordon Road, backing onto the river
- Church Road, near the level crossing
- Pound Lane
- Corner of Greenways
- Waterside gardens
- o Grove Road
- o Joy Avenue
- o Opposite Higher Green Close
- Old Street
- Railway bridge off Pound Lane
- Railway bridge
- Woodland below Chandlers, Hazelwood and Rush Meadow

Action: Develop a localised flooding policy.

Raw data

• Alan Avenue, Flordon Road, car park at playing field and access road

- Anywhere along the Tas Valley
- Anywhere within proximity to the River Tas, and more buildings will exacerbate flooding!
- o back of dell close (river site)
- Back of the houses on the left of Flordon Road backing on to the river.
- o Big park
- o Church Road and Pound Lane
- Church Road near the level crossing, flooding down Pound Land and under the railway bridge. The entrance to the village hall, and further along on the bend
- church road towards the railway line and the village hall road on the corner it always floods there, as the ditch needs clearing
- \circ $\,$ Clearly, the Tas flood plain.
- o corner of greenways
- o Dell Close
- o Dell Close
- Dell close to the river.
- Dell Close, specifically 18 and 16 Dell close, insufficient drainage is causing flooding, the surface water is extremely bad compared to 5 years ago, the residents are at risk of flooding if the drainage ditches aren't maintained, livelihoods are at stake and environmental laws are being overlooked, this needs serious action before lawsuits are apparent.
- Ditch on Newton Flotman playing field needs to be cleared out as doesn't drain. Under the railway bridge leading to Mulbarton.
- o Don't know
- o Don't know any.
- Drive way to village hall. Field.
- o Duffield's car park, Waterside Gardens.
- Entrance to village centre
- Fields and gardens in Church Lane area as far up as playing fields.
- Flordon road
- \circ Flordon road
- Flordon Rd outside cottages at Flordon end of village, Flordon Rd/Alan avenue junction, Flordon Rd outside Arran house
- Flordon road as you head out of the village to the south, the ditch has breached several times due to debris left in the ditches from the farmers hedge and tree cutting down the fields, even once the debris has been cleared heavy consistent rainfall fills the deep ditch quickly, this is a major health and safety hazard as when coming down from Flordon you can't see the flood until you're around the bend and then it's too late. Extra houses in the area east of the railway line will cause more flooding as the water won't be able to drain away.
- o Flordon Road during recent
- Flordon Road i.e. neck of Alan Avenue
- Flordon road junction with Alan avenue
- Flordon Road, Old Bridge river seriously in need of dredging, corner of Church Road/Greenways, the whole playing field gets waterlogged and the ditches along the road to village centre and the speed bump near to village centre
- Greenways on the corner just beyond the railway crossing, where cottages situated, is very bad. Also the other side of the crossing with floodwater regularly running down road towards the Mulbarton turn off. Also under the railway bridge that leads to Mulbarton on that road.
- Grove way, bottom of Alan Avenue, Flordon road
- Having had an extremely wet winter these areas are already documented.
- House by the river bank
- Houses near the riverbank e.g. bottom of Dell Close.
- o Joy Avenue, Dell Close.
- Land behind chandlers

- Lower Tasburgh ford area. Shotesham near Saxlingham Nethergate and Stoke Holy Cross.
- Marshland along River Tas no longer drained and therefore presents a flood risk
- o n/a
- Near old road due to river levels. Local park can get very waterlogged
- Near river both sides of a140
- \circ near river Tas east of a140,
- Near the river
- Near the river
- Near the river
- New builds are notorious for creating localised flooding due to run offs which would have been soaked by the land if not built over. Take that into account in your considerations.
- o no
- o none
- o None
- o None known
- o none known
- None really: although River Tas can get very high on occasion but thankfully not breached bank yet
- Northwest channel of Flordon Road, opposite Higher Green Close. Drainage was adversely affected by resurfacing some years ago lack of gullies in now exacerbated by adverse camber resulting in a significant length of pouring north of Alan Avenue
- o not sureo Old street
- Old Street, Joy Avenue, Dell Close, Alan Avenue
- Playing field edges, river banks near bridge both sides of a140
- Railway bridge off pound lane
- Road parallel to railway line leading to Mulbarton.
- Road under railway bridge off pound lane
- Roadway to Village Centre.
- Sometimes the access road to the village hall can retain water but it really is more of a big 'puddle' than a flood
- Tas Valley meadow and woodlands.
- The area near the river at the end of Dell Close and where you walk down to the river at the end of Joy Avenue
- The bottom of gardens on Flordon Road (Dell Close?) Anecdotal not seen evidence
- The corner near the railway line
- \circ $\,$ The first place to flood would be the old bridge area.
- \circ $\,$ The meadows south of Flordon Rd towards the river
- the old and new bridge need de-silting. the old bridge has concrete floors and new bridge is on piles both can be dredged without worry
- The riverbank south of the old bridge the river now frequently floods up to the back of houses at the bottom of Dell Close. Root cause of this is the silting up at the exit of the A140 bridge and to a lesser extent between the bridges.
- The road outside the cottages in Flordon Road, very often floods badly. (The railway bridge towards Mulbarton if applicable).
- The village hall playing fields
- \circ $\,$ Under the railway bridge on the road toward Mulbarton.
- Under the railway line on Mulbarton lane
- Water pouring off the fields at the top of and to the side of Alan Avenue. The water not draining via the ditches along the road way/ pathway to the community centre.
- $_{\odot}$ $\,$ We live on a clay ridge. Everywhere can flood.
- With the heavy rain we are getting with climate change, the Old Bridge on Old St. has been flooded up to top of arches at least once in recent years despite previous attempts to widen and deepen the channel.

• Woodland below Chandlers - Hazelwood - Rush Meadow - and several places along Flordon Road on the highway.

(19) Through the Neighbourhood Plan we can protect green areas of particular community importance. These are called Local Green Spaces. These need to be close to the community, special and not an extensive area of land. What green spaces should we try to protect (smaller than a field)? 130 responses

Summary of the data: Support for all ideas, particularly the playing field (at village hall), King's Green, church graveyard and the allotments. Also other suggestions include

- o Field used by dog walkers by playing field
- Grassland and field access next to Rosewood, south end of Flordon Road
- Cherry plum orchard at side of 1 Clabburn Close
- Access to river at Joy Avenue/Dell Close
- Woodlands south of Flordon Road

Action: Develop a Local Green Space policy.



Any others

- All conservation land areas
- o All of them
- o Allotments
- Area beside Church Farm on Greenways
- o Don't know
- Field used by dog walkers by playing field.
- Grass land and field access next to Rosewood south end of Flordon road.
- Green space on east side of A140
- Kings Green. LOVE the re-wilding project.
- o Land next to river
- o Less grass cutting
- None of the above.
- Play area and green space on Alan Avenue

- River bank needs major improvement.
- \circ Tas Valley.
- the cherry plum orchard at side of 1 Clabburn close
- \circ $\,$ The green area on Alan Avenue that provides access for walkers
- \circ $\,$ The rough green space next to the village centre (where people walk their dogs), trees around the village
- o The space at the endow Joy Avenue Dell Close which gives access to the river
- The woodlands south of Flordon Road is home to many species of animals and is a flood plane creating a perfect habitat for rare newt and other endangered species.
- we should be protecting all areas

(20) Would you like to see new country footpaths (Public Rights of Way/permissive paths)?

123 responses

Summary of the data: The majority of respondents (69%) would like to see new country footpaths. Ideas for where include

Flordon Road to Village Centre

- Access to Smockmill Common
- Along Greenways
- o Walkway along River Tas
- Connecting to Flordon
- Connecting to Swainsthorpe
- Link to Boudicca Way
- o Over railway crossing towards Mulbarton
- Along railway link to link Flordon Road and Church Road
- Cycle link to Long Stratton

Action: Develop a Public Rights of Way policy or project.



If yes, where?

- A140 to the sugar beet
- Access from Flordon Road (Flordon end) up to the park/village centre.
- Access to Smockmill common
- o Along Flordon Road
- Along Flordon Road
- Along Greenways

- Along the river Tas as a walkway
- o Anywhere
- Anywhere which provides a nice walk without the need to cross the A140
- o Anywhere.
- Apparently we are unusual in having lost public footpaths many years ago, it would be good to see them re-instated after consulting old maps. It's dangerous to walk along Flordon Road
- Around local fields
- Around the village, joined up with other paths
- Behind Flordon Road.
- Connection between Newton Flotman and Flordon. Connection between Newton Flotman and Smocks Mill common.
- o cross country to Swainsthorpe
- o Direct links to neighbouring communities
- o Don't know.
- Down Flordon road and greenways.
- o Everywhere
- Existing paths need vegetation cut back from grass/gardens.
- Fields and woodland
- Flordon road
- o Flordon road
- o Flordon Road
- Flordon Road, Ipswich Road to Smetton Common (should this be Smock Common)?)
- Flordon Road!
- Footpath and bridge over the river leading to Smockmill Common
- o its a bit late now as houses have been built where the paths were
- Link to bodica way without going on a140
- Link to smockmill common from the village, improved river access walk, circle routes identified
- Link village to other villages or facilities
- Linking the village centre road to Flordon Road and across to Smock Mill (footbridge)
- Linking village to Smockmill common. A path giving access to the riverbank would be great.
- More access to the river.
- More variety in Newton Greenways
- Not answered.
- Not Answered.
- Not sure as not sure how the restrictions work but love a countryside Beale with the children
- Off road footpaths that connect with others directly from the village
- Old Rectory
- \circ On the fields
- On the left of the A140 when travelling from Norwich.
- only if they would cater enough space for mobility scooters and not have any kissing gates
- Over railway crossing through to Mulbarton
- Over the fields and along the railway line to link Flordon Road and Church Road.
- The area is heavily restricted by the rail line so any PRoW would be beneficial
- The walk from Flotman along the Greenway to Flordon
- o there are loads of local fields so anywhere around them
- There are lots of areas around the perimeter of the fields east and west of the railway line which are used by walkers and dog walkers, these are not footpaths to my knowledge, is such a lovely peaceful area and to be lovely to explore and enjoy.
- There was talk of a path opposite the bike shop with a bridge over the river to smockmill common
- o to Flordon

- o to smock mill
- To Smockmill common.
- To Smockmill Common. To Flordon. Newton to Kennigham Hall Farm not always accessible.
- To Smockmill Common
- o To Smockmill Common; To Mulbarton
- To Smockmill Common?
- To smokmill common from village
- o Towards Flordon
- o Towards smock mill common
- o Towards Smock Mill common.
- o Up and downstream river Tas
- Where possible and as many as possible
- o where there are breaks in footpaths due to no access of private land
- Would be good to be able to safely cycle to Long Stratton.

BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT

(21) Is there a need for more employment opportunities in the parish? 98 responses

Summary of the data: Almost two thirds of respondents (60.2%) do not think there is a need for more employment opportunities in the parish. Reasons include working from home, good links to Norwich/elsewhere, number of retired residents, it being a residential and dormitory village. Ideas for more employment opportunities include a nursery school, pub/café, shop/Post Office, agricultural jobs, retail businesses, small businesses, small units. **Action**: Consider appropriate businesses for the parish.



Comments

- A bar would be nice I did offer to run one but no one got back to me as I have run pubs does a very time
- o A nursery school
- A pub/cafe
- o Additional shop or pub/post office
- o Agricultural jobs
- o Another retail business
- o Any brown field site.

- Any opportunities for employment would encourage a community centre / spirit, all of which should be encouraged.
- Any opportunities would be good.
- Any small business would never survive as long as you have supermarkets, they could never compete and must have the support of the community which, unfortunately doesn't always happen. Industrial units are ugly, cheap to put up buildings which easily fall into disrepair and will spoil the charm of the village.
- As long as there are reasonable transport links Newton Flotman should remain a 'dormitory' village
- Better local shop
- o Better shop
- Bigger & better shop existing site.
- Co-op or expansion of existing shop
- o Doctors could be open more, post office
- o Don't know.
- o Dormitory status OK
- Due to good transport links to Norwich, there is no obvious advantage to having more business traffic within the parish. I'm sure there are quite a few people who now work from home.
- Easy access to city/Long Stratton.
- Environmental/wildlife awareness centre maybe in village centre, gym, pool, pub
- Except an additional shop. Keep Newton Flotman a tranquil village
- General employment to help people avoid the necessity to travel to work and give opportunity to Young people top work locally.
- Good transport links allow people to access work elsewhere
- \circ $\,$ Has established business already and close to Norwich
- o high percentage of retired residences otherwise commuter village
- o I see Newton Flotman as a dormitory village
- I'm not sure, but if any small businesses i.e. cafe opened it could help with jobs and teenagers getting into work
- o It's a residential village not an industrial estate,
- It's a rural village, direct routes to city and surrounding towns
- It's too small to increase employment within business.
- o maintain village as it is
- Majority of jobs are Norwich based which is a small commute and offer some working from home.
- More people are able to work from home.
- Most people can readily commute
- Most people happy & able to travel to bigger towns/Norwich for work or work from home
- o N/A
- Newton Flotman is a good commuting village. Norwich is 5 min by car.
- \circ $\,$ Newton Flotman is a rural village that already has homeworkers and small businesses $\,$
- Newton Flotman is a village, WFH is suitable in the village, beyond that towns and cities best suit.
- No job opportunities here, unless you go to Norwich or Stratton, or the care home.
- No more expansion needed
- o no more needed
- No Ned for large businesses or retail units as not enough space in the village
- No obvious areas for businesses to develop (except what was the Herb Farm over the A140) most places are 'going concerns'
- \circ No space for business.
- o Not enough units
- Not much employment in the village
- Not needed
- o of course but it is not as simple as that!!

- o Of no real benefit to Newton Flotman Parish
- Only as café chip shop bakery local to Flordon Road.
- People work from home more these days, adding business in the area would take away from the village feel of the place. I like that it's a generally quite village.
- o Potential to disturb the rural setting
- o Pre school nursery
- Pub & larger shop.
- Re open herb farm.
- Small "cottage industry" type, for people setting up a business for the first time.
- Small business
- Small incubator units.
- Small village, hard to fit any small business, although individual businesses run from home are good.
- So people can walk to work.
- Some people need to rely on public transport which is very unreliable for work.
- Some time ago there was talk of a hotel on the Ipswich Rd between Tasburgh and Newton. This still seems like a good idea, it would offer employment opportunities to both villages and a much needed venue to socialise given the lack of places hereabouts.
- The location of the village is not particularly conducive to employment, other than wfh.
- There are employment opportunities in the parish and surrounding areas. There are good bus links to Long Stratton and Norwich. Business consideration should be based on creating community rather than an industrial centre or local employment.
- There are plenty of jobs in Norwich that need to be filled.
- o this will only bring more traffic
- To have more employment in the parish this would surely mean more businesses, this is a lovely quiet village which could be lost if we continued to build in the area.
- To help locals without transport, buses are unreliable as a means of transport at peak times
- $_{\odot}$ $\,$ We have a bus service to Norwich, Long Stratton and Diss.
- Work from home
- o Working from home; Retail shops and units
- o workshops etc
- Wouldn't want village to expand

(22) Should the following be encouraged/discouraged in the parish?

Summary of the data: The following have support for encouragement, agricultural small holdings, home working and a café. Those that respondents should be discouraged are, industrial units/workshops. There is similar levels of encouragement/discouragement for small business units/officer, tourist accommodation and retail units. In terms of where, respondents generally said centrally in the village.

Action: Consider appropriate businesses for the parish.



Where?

- o 1/2) Near railway line fields. 4/5/7) Village
- Agricultural near the railway line Small business etc Flordon Rd home working speaks for itself. Cafe - On the ground leading to the river behind the bus stop off the main road
- Agricultural small holdings off Alan Avenue; Tourist accommodation in houses already built; cafe - village hall
- o Any; small
- o Anywhere
- Anywhere easily accessible to all residents including those with mobility issues.
- o At home!
- B&B in existing properties. Retail units near existing. Cafe Church Room and Village Centre.
- o Brown sites
- Cafe not fair to discourage enterprise if they can make it work but a cafe may take people away from the existing ones
- Central, near local shop or near the green areas to encourage a place to walk to and stop for break
- o church??
- Consideration should be given to parking and access roads. A cafe in the proximity to the village centre where parking is plentiful.
- Exactly. There is nowhere.
- Existing Farms. 2) Farm building use changed. 4) In village existing houses. 6) Near A140. 7) Near bridge.
- o greenways
- o Greenways area, in homes, village shop, village hall
- o In homes.
- o Instead of motor cycle shop. Does nothing for village
- More development/units will bring more traffic in to the village , which is already an issue. We need a roundabout at the junction with the A140 and traffic calming measures along Flordon road
- \circ Near the A140 for travel purposes
- \circ $\,$ Near the playing field for walking access $\,$
- o Newton Flotman
- Not sure.
- People with space
- Plenty of places for a cafe
- Site of herb farm. Got 2 cafe's

- Small holding near the allotments, Café anywhere local.
- Small holdings alongside farm. Cafe at village hall.
- Small holdings in the fields. Tourist accommodation in private houses.
- Somewhere with open view of countryside.
- Stay village ; not applicable; in own home; no space; playing field
- That is for farmers to decide.
- The rectory, as we no longer have a parish vicar, part of the playing field,
- Top of village near railway; Home
- Up by the pig sties. Decent shop. Cafe next to existing shop.
- o Village hall
- Village shop as it stands isn't viable
- o Where appropriate
- o Where possible
- o Where suitable
- \circ $\;$ wherever there is space and it doesn't take from green spaces

COMMUNITY & SERVICES

(23) What community facilities do we need more of in Newton Flotman parish, if any?

84 responses

Summary of the data: 'Pub' is mentioned 14 times, 'shop' is mentioned 13 times, 'village' is mentioned 12 times, 'café' is mentioned 11 times, 'facilities' mentioned 10 times, 'children' mentioned 10 times. Action: Consider appropriate businesses for the parish.

green C	families building
bus gym clubs etc long club none	restaurant ^{including} court gp
office post sports	hall hub meeting surgery
skate book COIIO already see nursery bmx	regular needs VIIIage speed
full park centre ^{updated}	better shops bins space
doctors tennis	facilities hall meeting
IUCAI	community time

Comments

- A better local shop, things to do for families with children
- o A better shop, cafe, restaurant, pub

- A centre for O.A.P. entertainment and lunch centre, village hall is too far out of the way, O.A.P.'S NOT CONSIDERED. Within a NEW building site ONLY, with an outdoor activity centre.
- A community hub with banking
- A good community centre with community shop, cafe, bar etc.
- A local pub (or restaurant) would be great.
- A proper social club or pub in Newton Flotman like the one in Mulbarton. Places for teenagers and younger children to go after school/weekends.
- o A pub
- A pub and bigger shop. Green space for community, encourage wildlife and walks.
- A village PH
- o already have community centre
- Already making use of what we already have
- o Anything for the elderly consider accessibility
- Area for teenagers / retired people I.e. tennis court, bowling green, BMX track, skate park
- Bar.. without dog access
- Better play facilities for children
- Better play facilities for children
- Better stocked shop, pub/restaurant/cafe, regular post office
- o Cafe general store.
- Cafe, Pub, shop, clubs for children
- o Cafe, shop & pub. Full time Doctors surgery.
- Care of drainage with new builds
- o Christian cafe and book shop
- Christian cafe and book shop
- o community Shop selling good from the allotments and local produce
- o doctors 5 days a week
- Doctors surgery full time. Decent full time cafe. Non-Christian burial ground.
- everything that we already have including our village hall all need to be wheelchair accessible ,no steps, before I even suggest any other facilities
- o Expanded village hall, meeting place
- Facilities needed for teenagers e.g. skate park, BMX track, tennis court.
- o Fruit trees planted for all to enjoy
- Full time GP. Or repurpose the building so it is not unused other uses. Could the practise rent out rooms for complimentary therapy's (wellbeing, counselling, physio etc)
- General use Extension Sports hall.
- Groups for kids with disabilities. My children cannot attend the youth club or even attend the local primary school due to their needs, so we are very isolated from the village.
- gym/pool, adult outdoor gym on the playing field, we don't have many community facilities at all really, so anything would be a bonus.
- I believe the village has enough facilities which are already under utilised so why create more which are costly to run?
- Inclusive football club
- o Indoor gym
- o indoor sports facility, pub restaurant
- Keep doctors surgery and extend.
- Local bus if it is too difficult to walk to bus stop near bus shelter/motorcycle shop, including undertaking the journey to Long Stratton Medical Practice in Long Stratton, if too difficult to walk from current bus stop in Long Stratton to the GP Practice.
- local meeting hub
- o Local pub
- Local pub in walking distance
- Longer GP opening hours [especially if the village expands]

- Men's shed. Preschool.
- o More allotments or community garden
- More facilities for children and families
- More reliable public transport
- More use of village hall. Better communication of events taking place
- o None
- o none
- None here for the peace and quiet not the constant bullying and harassment.
- None that I know of
- o Nursery
- Nursery; soft play; coffee shops
- Paths, street lighting, speed bumps, speed chicanes, speed limits, maintained roads, better broadband, improved A140/Flordon Road junction, more litter bins, dogs waste bins, more play equipment for children at village centre and fenced off.
- Pavements on several roads, especially Church Road.
- Play areas/sports facilities.
- Post boxes with different collection times
- Post office and shop
- o post office more permanent and not once a week
- o pre-school
- Pre-school, but otherwise with the social club and other activities NF is now pretty well served.
- Pub and better shop
- Pub. Post Office. Regular Police drop-in sessions.
- Retail shops
- School needs to be big enough if more housing. GP surgery has capacity for longer opening and more Dr appointments.
- o see below
- o shops, butchers, bakers
- Shops, cafe (serving hot food)
- Shops, cafe, community library, walks,
- Something for teen generation, skate/BMX park. Possible tennis court.
- Sports clubs, pub
- Tennis courts
- the church and village hall are adequate
- The play park needs updating with new bins with lids on so the crows can't empty them. Also signs says dogs not allowed on the children park
- there is little space for more facilities. we have concerns on the agenda for this. might the quality of the village be lost we will trust the group will fight to retain this & whether it has the powers to resist plans
- Updated playground including facilities for school children.
- Updated village hall (see Stoke holy cross)
- We left Essex because all the villages became joined and all the countryside disappeared. No large developments south of the A47

(24) If some new outdoor open space is available for the community, what would you like to see it used for?

127 responses

Summary of the data: There is most support for a nature reserve/wildlife area (63%), then outdoor seating (49.6%), informal green open space (42.5%). Most of the options have some support.

Other ideas include a bowls green, community orchard, dog park and walking trails.

Action: Consider including new outdoor open space as a policy or project.



Others

- o Access to locations / hides to view wildlife
- o Any of the above
- Bowls green.
- o Cafe
- Community orchard (low maintenance varieties) where produce can be shared amongst the community.
- Defibrillator. Also a food larder (not a food bank). A permanent book exchange location.
- I was unhappy to see the trees and shrubs cut down outside the village centre, and the wooden decking put down, I really don't want that, can we please plant the shrubs back?
- Move Art dance school into centre of village, it is a danger on the corner of St. Mary's Close.
- o pre-school
- o single use dog park
- Walking trails.