

NEW Masterplanning

Areas of Agreement and debate

following the meeting 26.05.2010

The following evening (27th May 2010) the key areas of common ground between the workshop groups were presented at the start of the village meeting.

The points of consensus were summarised in a sketch plan (see presentation photo inset) and reviewed in an open discussion with residents. This informed a series of further refinements.

The main plan opposite reflects the resulting areas of agreement, which are also set out below:

- Priority was given to development at areas shown in solid red. There was debate as to how far south along Old Vicarage Lane new housing should extend and on the size of green gap needed and the area of debate is therefore shown hatched in red and white.
- Redevelopment of employment sites was agreed. There was debate as to whether Isotron should be redeveloped for housing or for more 'local' employment and this area is therefore shown hatched in red and white.
- Redevelopment of northern edge should deliver a continuous green route.
- Heart of the village is the school and green. The consensus was for new playing fields to be concentrated within this area although some favoured playing fields on the southern edge
- Need green routes through the heart connecting to farmland to the south and Nightingale Wood to the east.
- Need green areas protected to the south.
- Need for adequate flood mitigation.
- Need to retain 'green wedge' from village centre to open land to the south.
- Land to the rear of new development fronting Old Vicarage Lane to be retained as open.

There was debate on other issues, including:

- School location: most prefer to retain current location, retain Victorian building and create better standard classrooms around it.
- Whether a new route through the green would be needed to help solve the traffic problems of Pound Corner: no consensus and more analysis needed.
- Debate on redeveloping allotments to the north and bringing allotments closer to the heart of the village: no clear consensus.
- Debate on whether there should be a new route through the village to reduce traffic pressure on Thornhill Road: no consensus and more analysis needed.



NEW Refined Concept Plan