

Questions for Educational establishments

1. Welcome to the Wantage Neighbourhood Plan survey

As you may know, Wantage is preparing a Neighbourhood Plan.

The Neighbourhood Plan does not aim to stop development but to make sure that it is delivered in a way that will benefit the whole community. Development must encompass a wide range of needs including: housing, employment, infrastructure, community and leisure facilities in order to sustain the Town and its residents. Therefore a Neighbourhood Plan aims to provide a framework for how development should look; what it should accomplish and where it is best located.

As part of this process several working groups have been preparing initial SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats) analyses, and some have prepared PEST (political, economic, social and technology influences) analyses. The details are available on our website at www.wantageneighbourhoodplan.org but the top ten strengths and issues which have been identified so far are:

1. An attractive place to live
2. The rich cultural heritage of the town
3. Good road access (even if there are some capacity issues)
4. Easy access to attractive countryside
5. Breadth of skills, experience and expertise among local people
6. Good schools
7. Harmonious architecture and strong design character
8. Good range of clubs and societies
9. Regular markets and a good range of independent shops
10. A high quality natural environment worthy of preservation/enhancement

The top ten topics to be addressed in the Neighbourhood Plan (so far):

1. Car parking in the town centre
2. Increasing residential parking
3. Connecting/improving footpaths
4. Improving road capacity
5. Connecting/improving cycleways
6. Maintaining/increasing the amount of commercial space in the town centre
7. Maintaining/improving the character/attractiveness of the town
8. Ensuring infrastructure improvement meet the pace of housing development
9. Safeguarding/improving the natural assets of the town (green spaces, Letcombe Brook etc.)

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10. Improving public transport (buses, Grove station)

Now it's time to canvas the views of all of the educational establishments which make our community what it is today. Please find attached a questionnaire for you to complete and return to us by **7th November 2014**. You can complete a paper copy or this pdf version or complete it online via our website – please go to **<http://www.wantageneighbourhoodplan.org.questions.php>** to access the same questionnaire.

We need your views to ensure that the Neighbourhood Plan reflects the needs and aspirations of everyone who lives and/or works in or around the Town so please do complete this and give us your input.

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2. ABOUT YOUR ORGANISATION

1. Please provide simple contact details

Name

Organisation

Post Code

Email Address

Phone Number

2. What does your organisation do?

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3. ABOUT YOUR ORGANISATION

3. Approximately how many employees and/or volunteers do you have in Wantage?

4. Approximately what proportion of your Wantage based employees/volunteers live in the town?

5. How long have you been in Wantage?

- Less than a year
- 1-2 years
- 3-5 years
- 6-10 years
- 11-15 years
- More than 15 years

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4. ABOUT YOUR PREMISES

6. How would you describe your location in Wantage?

- Town Centre
- Edge of Town Centre
- Industrial Estate
- Home based

Other (please specify)

7. How would you rate the following factors associated with the location/site from which you operate?

	Poor	Adequate	Good	Excellent
Quality of premises/building	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality of location	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality of surrounding environment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Any comments?

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5. ABOUT YOUR PREMISES

8. How well do your current premises meet the space needs of your business?

- Not enough space
- About the right size
- Spare space

9. Have you previously experienced any difficulties in finding suitable premises/sites to expand, upgrade or relocate to within Wantage?

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

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6. ABOUT YOUR PREMISES

10. If yes, what difficulties or barriers did you face?

11. Is there anything that you think could be done to help organisations like yours to overcome these barriers in future?

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7. FUTURE NEEDS

12. Do you expect to expand or relocate your premises in the future i.e. over the next 5-10 years?

- Yes
- No

13. If yes, are you most likely to (please select one only):

- Expand on existing site
- Relocate to another site in Wantage
- Relocate to another site in the District (i.e. Vale of White Horse)
- Other (please specify)

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8. WANTAGE AS A LOCATION

14. What do you like most about being based in Wantage?

15. What do you like least about being based in Wantage?

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9. ABOUT YOUR PUPILS

16. How many pupils do you have?

17. Approximately how many of your pupils come from Wantage?

18. Are you oversubscribed?

Yes

No

19. What growth in pupil numbers would you predict over the next years?

In 2 years?

In 5 years?

In 10 years?

In 20 years?

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10. ABOUT YOUR FACILITIES

20. Do you use external facilities (such as the Beacon, Church Halls, the Scout Hut, the Museum)?

- Yes
- No

If yes, what facilities? For how many hours each week?

21. Do other people use your facilities?

- Yes
- No

If yes, what facilities? For how many hours each week?

22. Are your facilities sufficient?

	Yes	No	Not Applicable
For now?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In 2 years?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In 5 years?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In 10 years?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In 20 years?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

23. In order to be able to support Wantage's potential population growth what are the 3 most important additional facilities that you need?

1.
2.
3.

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11. GENERAL COMMENTS

24. What percentage approximately of your staff/pupils need transport to get to you?

25. What types of transport do your staff/pupils use to get to you?

- Car
- Car-share (only tick if regular arrangement to reduce car-use)
- Motorbike
- Bus
- Train
- Cycle
- Foot
- Other (please specify)

26. Would your staff/pupils prefer an alternative method of transport?

- Yes
- No
- If yes, please give particulars e.g. provision of cycle path, increased public transport, park and ride etc.

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27. How good do you rate the services in Wantage for your organisation?

	Poor	Adequate	Good	Excellent
Roads	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Public Transportation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Parking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Drainage	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sewage disposal	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Refuse disposal	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Electricity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Gas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Telephone land lines	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mobile signal	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Broadband	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other (please explain)

28. What are the 2 best things that being in Wantage provides your organisation?

1.
2.

29. What are the 2 biggest problems for your organisation in Wantage?

1.
2.

30. How would you like to see Wantage develop over the next 20 years?

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31. What support or encouragement can Wantage give your organisation through the Neighbourhood Plan?

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32. Any other comments about what the Neighbourhood Plan might include?

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33. May we contact you if we require any clarification or have any further questions?

- Yes
- No

Thank you for completing this questionnaire.