

# Questions for Groups without their own facilities

## Welcome to Wantage Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire

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](http://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.)
10. Improving public transport (buses, Grove station)

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Now it's time to canvas the views of all of the groups and organisations 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.

### ABOUT YOUR ORGANISATION

#### 1. Please provide simple contact details

Name	<input type="text"/>
Organisation	<input type="text"/>
Post Code	<input type="text"/>
Email Address	<input type="text"/>
Phone Number	<input type="text"/>

#### 2. What does your organisation do?

#### 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 had a presence in Wantage?

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

### WANTAGE AS A LOCATION

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### 6. How important would you rank the following factors in keeping a presence in Wantage?

	Very Important	Quite Important	Not Important	Not Applicable
Availability of skilled labour	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Availability of premises	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Affordable rents/other cost factors	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Good accessibility/transport links	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Location between larger centres such as Oxford, Swindon and Reading	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Proximity to Customers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Good Broadband Provision	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other (please specify)

### 7. What do you like most about having a presence in Wantage?

### 8. What do you like least about having a presence in Wantage?

### 9. Are there any factors that could prevent your organisation from maintaining a presence in Wantage?

- Yes
- No
- If yes, what factors?

### 10. What could be done to overcome these factors and support your organisation to stay in Wantage?

## ABOUT YOUR FACILITIES

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### 11. 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?

### 12. 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"/>

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

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## ABOUT YOUR REGULAR ATTENDERS

### 14. How many regular attenders do you currently have?

### 15. Approximately how many of your regular attenders come from Wantage?

### 16. What growth in regular attender numbers would you predict over the next years? (Numbers or percentage increase)

- In 2 years?
- In 5 years?
- In 10 years?
- In 20 years?

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**17. Given the growth projections for Wantage and area, do you anticipate being able to support this level of growth?**

- Yes
- No

If Yes; how? If No; how do you think the need will be met?

## GENERAL COMMENTS

**18. What percentage approximately of your members/staff need transport to get to your meetings?**

**19. What types of transport do your members/staff use to get to your meetings?**

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

**20. Would your members/staff prefer an alternative method of transport to your meetings?**

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

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### 21. 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"/>
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)

### 22. What are the 2 best things that Wantage provides your organisation?

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

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

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

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

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

Yes

No

**Thank you for completing this questionnaire.**