

Question 2

Community priorities:

Are there any other factors that you think should be taken into consideration when thinking about planning for the future in our community. Please specify:

- No
 - No
 - Consider young members of the community and encourage them to stay with affordable housing
 - Infrastructure constraints
 - School places
 - Impact on biodiversity and ecology (the flood zones provide an important habitat)
 - Vacant land to the west and south of MK is far more suitable
 - I have always lived in a village and do not want any expansion – there is plenty of vacant land in MK so utilise that
 - The traffic on Wolverton Road & speed drivers travel through the village. No-one stops at the mini roundabout
 - Maintaining the character of the neighbourhood
 - Priority should be given to developing the current settlements with appropriate expansion within or close to settlement boundaries. Satellite development should be avoided so as not to create a patchwork quilt of disconnected housing
 - Any proposed development should be in or close to existing settlements. H&LL is a largely rural Parish and agriculture and informal leisure should be protected. We must avoid satellite or patchwork developments and urban creep
 - The fact that our countryside is fast disappearing. Plans need to be in place for more protection of green areas
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- Do not build on flood plains or on greenfield sites.
 - We need to acknowledge the demand for housing by the general population rather than just demanding that the neighbourhood remains unchanged.
 - Improvement in public transport links - mainly bus services.
 - Try and improve the bus service, perhaps twice an hour.
 - Needs to be an opportunity for young people to purchase housing and therefore continue in the area-- bungalows need to be offered so again the elderly can stay.
 - Affordable housing for all! Look at infrastructure before expansion goes ahead as this has not been taken into consideration when school expansion was approved.
 - More housing for people already living in the village but looking to downsize or upsize.
 - Better transport for the public. Improved lighting for streets. Introduce faster broadband options to the rest of Haversham. Nearest junction for older parts of Haversham is in Wolverton. We are in an internet age after all!
 - More pelican crossings, traffic lights near Haversham school. Better internet speeds so allowing companies easier access to installations.
 - Preserving a sense of community in the countryside so that Haversham does not become a dormitory site for MK
 - Improving public transportation - buses. There are none in the lower village and very few in the Estate. Upgrading broadband capacity in the village. Keeping the pub as a village facility/requirement. Having a proper village hall.
 - Ensuring adequate measures are taken to invest in the infrastructure required for any increased development. Ensuring there is no inappropriate development on the flood plain.
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- The Infrastructure is very important factor. The roads through both parts of Haversham are far too busy now.

- The infrastructure is a key factor to be considered for planning for the future because the roads through Haversham are already too busy with traffic from other areas into MK.
- Loss of wildlife habitat.
- Internet broadband speed should be greatly improved in Old Haversham. Electric cables should also be underground, they are unsightly and sag and the electricity poles are subject to damage affecting the service.
- Traffic, with new house also being built in the other villages, traffic through the estate & village will increase.
- Traffic & road loading. Roads currently could not take extra volume especially during busy periods.
- I do not agree with any further housing.
- Parking problems, particularly in the Crescent area and near the school. Despite car park parents are still parking in the street.
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- Maintain tranquil rural residential area – not another MK city estate!
- A small community shop would be nice. The empty plot of land next to the school that is always for sale would be an ideal spot for a 'container' corner shop. Most people chose to live here because it is a village, not a town; we would like to keep it that way
- Let's make interesting housing. It's important not to have just more boring ordinary standard houses
- Extending rural communities should be approached with sensitivity. Building should blend with existing architecture. Tightly packed housing does not create a pleasant living space. The number of houses should be commensurate with available roads. No high rise building
- Planning should be to create/extend rural communities. Cramming hundreds of homes without adequate facilities and community hubs dilutes and isolates its inhabitants. Natural resources and uses of land i.e. what effect will new housing put on the flood plains?
- Traffic, traffic, traffic. No current transport facilities. The 'village' High Street area cannot be made wider
- Preservation of history. Improved/additional cycleways and footpaths for access to countryside/river/lakes and woodland. Recreational facilities/opportunities. Maintain 'buffers' to preserve historic areas
- Flood prevention. Upkeep of amenities such as roads, drains and footpaths etc
- We do need to do our bit and it is inevitable that some houses need to be built. I hope they are in keeping with the character of the village
- Addition of cycle paths. Shop of some sort
- To leave it alone as it has been for the last 60 years.
- Bus services. Shop. Doctors surgery.
- Maintain village identity. Avoiding noise and air pollution. Avoiding flood risk. Include local GP facility. Include local shop and or post office.
- How are secondary school places going to be allocated, as there will be a growing number of children – not school places! Traffic at present is extremely high especially at rush hour, what will be done to handle through and resident traffic, as well as building traffic during construction.
- Planning for schools – if there is going to be space in local schools for more intake? How will this be tackled?
- Keeping the character of existing settlements. Keeping traffic levels and speeds as they are. Protecting the rural nature of the area. Keep noise levels down.
- Village shop to help the elderly and better community social centre and activities for the village. Join the village and estate together. Better street lighting between estate and village when walking home from the pub.
- Must keep the village as a village.

- Preserving the countryside.
 - Countryside, green belt land.
 - A shop and pub would be nice.
 - Consider impact on local services – the school can only take so many children.
 - Healthcare and schooling – ensure they are developed as the housing is rather than at the end.
 - Away from bottle neck areas, around M1 junction.
 - Footpaths and cycle lanes.
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- Where the houses should be placed, renewable energy, having facilities to satisfy the new residents
 - Pressure on local schools & traffic
 - 1- The viability of the settlements for the next 50 years. 2 – What we need to do to ensure Haversham remains a place want to live in. 3 – Encourage a sense of pride in our settlements – presently there is virtually no pride & this has deteriorated over the last 10 years. The PC need to pay more attention to the look of the settlements even if this means raising the precept. 4 – Stop people parking on highway verges
 - Ensuring that there is going to be the infrastructure in place to support the local community e.g. schools, healthcare, shops, transport, good road links etc.
 - Impact on schools, policing, doctor's surgery
 - Police – managing crime, doctors surgery, school – expansion ready for the future
 - We shall end up with inadequate transport, a clogged up road system. A lack of school places & doctors
 - Living in an agriculture area no farms should be allowed planning for housing
 - Transport links that do not depend upon owning a car. Fast reliable internet & mobile phone networks / signal. The need to prevent rural becoming urban
 - Ours is a rural community coming under much pressure from building & housing. We need to maintain the rural community by not giving in to land owner pressure
 - Supporting infrastructure – surgeries, schools, roads, shops. Impact on traffic – already a rat run
 - Try to keep as much farm land as possible
 - More amenities
 - Considering the fact that the villages surrounding MK are unique & shouldn't be changed into large characterless estates. There are plenty of these already in MK! The whole point of people living in small villages with their own character is because they don't want to be surrounded by new housing.
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- We shall end up with poor transport, a clogged up road system, a lack of school places & doctors
 - Any future development must be sustainable within the current community, rather than enveloping it
 - Retaining the character of the village – it does not need to become a second Wolverton or MK
 - Empathetic development – for all parts of the parish. Look at the long game – visit other areas e.g. MK & learn from their disasters
 - A shop would be useful! Keeping the Green, no large increase in housing etc.
 - Ensuring investment in the infrastructure is commensurate with the scale of development. Ensuring that any development does not have an adverse impact on the flood plain
 - This is a rural community & should stay that way
 - This is a countryside community & should be preserved as such
 - The fact that many local residents like things just as they are now and don't actually want any additional housing or otherwise
 - I like Haversham as it is & do not wasn't to be part of a large housing estate
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- River/flood plain
 - There should be shops, centres to be within the community

- The opportunity should be taken to unite the village by building in the gap between the two halves and not extend into surrounding countryside which should be preserved at all costs. Provision needs to be made for a shop the same arrangement as in Castlethorpe.
 - Please can we keep our green fields. Don't turn us into a big housing estate with no character. Traffic that use the road. Improved public transport
 - It's a village and needs to stay as a village
 - No flats
 - Cycle lanes. Little Linford Lane to be better maintained regarding trimming and create one way priority to assist flow for residents.
 - Keeping countryside
 - Preserving the rural nature of the area and not over develop
 - Peace and tranquillity of the area
 - Future developments to manage flood plain especially Wolverton Road entrance to Haversham Estate
 - Space and a village rural feel still being upheld, not packing in as many as possible
 - Housing for old and young that's affordable
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- Traffic
 - Pollution, we have concerns that there may be a larger road built to connect the M1
 - Farm land protected. Every person needs food the animals need to graze.
 - Infrastructure currently insufficient to support any further development
 - Getting residents to have pride / love of our village. Also accept we may have to have some development. Affordable housing
 - Joined up thinking with the various partners e.g when pavement is replaced between village and estate why not put some gas and broadband under the pavement at the same time
 - No ugly architecture of new building such as you see in Milton Keynes. Homes of a certain standard important.
 - Impact on traffic increase and speed through Haversham
 - If the community is going to be enlarged then we need some facilities – shops etc.
 - Like the idea of joining together estate and village (although don't like those terms).
 - Local transport
 - Parking / congestion due to people parking on roads. Internet, waste etc, is suitable
 - Space for parking/preventing traffic issues caused by cars parked on roads. Reliability and quality of internet services. Encouragement of eco-friendly/energy harvesting/energy conservation. Bringing middle aged groups into the community better.
 - Amenities for and future planning are so important. Whether that be community led or council led.
 - Traffic. Effect on local school.
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- Impact on the local environment and impact on the young people in the **?
 - That the three main current areas of housing (Upper and Lower Haversham and Little Linford) all have some developments. Some development so that only one location doesn't bear the full 'burden' of any development.
 - The future of Haversham as an attractive affordable place to live for young people (18-25) and young families
 - A focus on what future communities might want as opposed to always the current. The skate ramp is a good example of something future communities would use.
 - Instilling/maintaining a sense of community is important if Haversham is to be attractive to young people.
 - Public Transport (bus services)
 - Affordable homes
 - The inclusion of environmentally friendly buildings with methods of renewable energy sources.
 - Nature education centre for all including children to help protect areas of natural beauty.

- Impact on existing roads and infrastructure
 - Build houses only if we can [...] ones suitable for our community not big 4/5 bedroom detached houses
 - We shouldn't assume that other communities should take development and Haversham should not and its 'environment' should be protected at all costs.
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- A good mix of high value, medium value and affordable housing is important
 - Infrastructure
 - Traffic
 - Safe places to cross Wolverton Rd for School Children.
 - Not overloading current infrastructure
 - Sustainability so that what we do now shall be OK for future generations
 - Thousands of local people have changed their lives, paid a premium and suffered some inconvenience so that they can live and raise families in quiet rural areas. Our country has been collection of small settlements for thousands of years which suggested this way of living and it is under threat.
 - If farms are to continue then they need to still be surrounded by farmland to be able to access straw, forage, avoid close neighbours who find smell, vermin are offensive. Road systems need to be accessible for farm vehicles (i.e. fast grid roads/roundabouts are not appropriate)
 - To remain villages it is important to create enclosed new housing with a distinct boundary to try to avoid massive housing infill to Castlethorpe etc., i.e. surround with trees of clever planting to small pockets
 - Change is inevitable. It may not be possible to preserve the 'isolated rural village'. It might produce a better result in the long run to actively promote positive well planned development so we don't end up with the piecemeal addition housing resulting in having a large population without much in the way of amenities and facilities.
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- The provision of access to and from the proposed development, and the impact it will have on the existing community.
 - Infrastructure in place to cope with the increased capacity of the development before it commences i.e. schools, doctors, dentists..
 - I would prefer Haversham and Little Linford to stay as they are. Surrounded by fields and beautiful countryside and wild life. Not more houses and traffic.
 - Can we make a heritage trail or walk covering our many sites of interest (historical/listed buildings etc)? This would help enhance our community personality/identity.
 - Keeping the village 'Life'. Too many villages have now become more like towns where they have been linked by Housing Estates. It upsets the lifestyle people choose a village for.
 - What does the village want to be. Attractive to young and modern, old and traditional or family. With this comes the sort of property and look.
 - Preserve peacefulness of greenery
 - May be divert traffic away from Wolverton Road "Ratrun"
 - If more housing the community needs shops but no more pubs /clubs
 - The two settlements of New and Old Haversham have different characters which should be kept that way.
 - The historic character of the old village – primarily stone, rural setting, a small and close community. It could easily be swamped by new build. The new part of the village would benefit from a pub and small shop
 - It seems to me that with today (and tomorrow's) technology more people are working from home – others commuting so prepare for more parking, more cars or vans per house.
 - No comment
 - Not merge the villages together

- It is important for the community to be able to walk and cycle safely through the village - this includes being able to cross Wolverton Road safely in order to join the only path that connects to Wolverton and subsequently, MK. It is imperative that we provide appropriate housing for elderly members of our community as well as younger members - it is unfair that people should be driven away from the community they have grown up within simply because the housing available is both limited and inappropriate.
 - Additional health centre, the road network and maybe a local community run shop.
 - Not to overpopulate the village school. Add road safety feature as school is expanding e.g. zebra crossing.
 - Busy roads. Can't get out of Beech Tree Close in rush hours.
 - I think it is important to maintain a sense of community. In order to do this, it requires that families stay in the village.
 - If you increase the housing - improve the infrastructure.
 - The general infrastructure. Will hospital, doctors surgery be able to cope? Will the schools be available? Are we to become an urban rather than rural environment?
 - To include doctor, schools, hospitals to enable all of these to cope with extra people. Also ensure parking does not become a nuisance.
 - No large scale developments.
 - Already covered ...
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- Any plans should be for and by the community not for any financial benefits
 - Don't build on the greenbelt land
 - Don't build on the greenbelt land, keep us green!
 - Services including road network facilities must grow as the population grows. Increased population without enhanced services is not a sustainable approach.
 - There is every reason to protect our community and there is no reason to expand it. There are many open spaces with the building confines of Milton Keynes that satisfy any future requirements for the construction of new homes
 - Availability of parking for existing residents and ensuring provision is made for enough parking on new developments
 - Only build a small amount of houses to ensure the villages remain as villages. Ensure the villages are kept on a bus route.
 - Keep in mind that the old village is not on the main sewage system. This could put some people off buying a property that was newly built. Also where does the MK Council stand if rental properties were not on the main sewers? (Thinking about rental through Housing Associations in particular as we already have some in Haversham.)
 - Any impact should be shared with Haversham village and The Estate
 - The impact on the current community that additional housing will have, including the groundwork and building phases
 - Old Haversham is a small rural village and as such any changes should be done with care! Haversham is not a town and I would hate it to be so. We have many amenities 5 minutes away!
 - Haversham badly needs a village hall with a sports pavilion as in Stoke Goldington and North Crawley. It needs extended sports facilities and netball courts. 50-100 houses would contribute planning gain to help fund this.
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- How people currently view the project and how it will affect them. Should new areas be developed or old ones regenerated.
 - These country roads will not be able to cope with a much larger amount of traffic.
 - Limited housing for local people.
 - Not sure whether this comes under any of the factors already stated but one of the most important things for me is preserving the beautiful views of the Parish Council land and fields around Haversham.

- Allowing some small-scale housing developments which are respectful to the existing village characteristics, but which allow the village to accommodate new families into the community.
 - Better cycle and pedestrian links to MK (employment & railway (Wolverton)). Improved play & leisure facilities. Creating a better Haversham for 'our' children – part of a modern, green & more energy efficient place. Keep the 'village' separate from MK as a district place, in terms of built form.
 - Small developments that are in keeping with existing housing and would encourage more families to the village.
 - How to develop or increase a sense of community as opposed to becoming part of the MK commuter belt i.e. have a separate identity.
 - Managing traffic speed and creating safe areas for crossing.
 - A surgery.
 - I think some of the communication around planning needs to be more positive. Rather than focus on the negatives let's think about some of the good things that might come into Haversham.
 - Proposed developments should benefit the local community and not threaten the best characteristics of the area. Haversham should be a good place to grow up in and live in at all stages of life. It should promote a healthy way of life.
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- Not wishing to overpopulate village. Add road separately
 - New community centre. Good paths. Cycle path.
 - Keep any building in keeping with style of current village.
 - ensure green space ,road structure
 - Road structure a support –avoidance of congestion and preserve safety. Provision for a small shop a little like Castlethorpe.
 - Local residents + the environment and infrastructure are the most important thing.
 - Affordable housing to keep local people in village.
 - The roads are very busy already especially on the road going out to Wolverton and there is no bus service that matches normal working hours.
 - Avoiding disrupting current residents
 - Careful consideration should be made on how to improve the already struggling infrastructure from drainage-emergency services, doctor, dentist, roads.
 - Do it somewhere else! Not interested in any planning!
 - Traffic congestion - the Wolverton Road through Haversham can barely cope with the traffic in the mornings. Adding more traffic would increase the risk of accidents.
 - Keeping environmentally polluting companies such as the refuse sorting plant in Old Wolverton away (several miles) from inhabited urban developments.
 - Provision of facilities. Preservation of the countryside. Emergency services. Doctors.
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- Opening of footpaths
 - Preserving footpaths
 - Building of any houses should be for the benefit of the local community
 - Although we must try and protect our rural landscape, we must appreciate the need for new houses as government policy and give others the opportunity to live in the village
 - Safe crossing on Wolverton Road
 - Too much change too quickly will cause destruction of environment as at Hanslope
 - Traffic
 - Living on the main road, traffic at morning and evening is hectic
 - Extra parking for families with more than one vehicle
 - There has only been a handful of new properties built/converted during my 20+ years as a resident. We need to accept change and make the most of opportunities to improve/keep the village alive. The need for our own village hall is high on my agenda for the village as a whole
 - Haversham needs a village hall. The current Community Hall in the school is unsatisfactory. Development should be permitted to enable planning gain to build a village hall for the community

- The houses should appear sympathetic to those around them. An extension to existing development is best – or infilling spaces in already developed areas.
- To ensure that all development: 1. is sustainable. 2. provides 'truly' affordable housing. 3. that facilities: doctors, schools, shops, meeting places etc are reviewed to be able to cope. 4. that the green and rural environment is protected. 5. that art, culture, heritage are invested in
- All villages need to grow. We need to encourage a range of age groups with provision of different types of housing. Small developments are needed – there are spaces in the parish that could be developed without harming the overall village setting. Better to do this than have huge developments thrust upon us
- Existing facilities should be retained or enhanced such as the Greyhound pub, Church, Community centre and Country park. We have already lost 2 shops and POs and it is a long walk to Wolverton (where there is no PO) for some residents.
- Maintaining community space eg the Rec Ground and the allotments. Retaining village atmosphere.
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- No.
- The traffic that will increase in and through the village. Lack of facilities.
- 1) Flood management -currently a real issue that must be taken into account with further development. 2) Public transport to ensure that new housing doesn't generate even greater issues with traffic. 3) Maintain countryside feel with smaller distinct developments rather than urban sprawl.
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- We have poor water pressure and sewage problems (the Estate). Also power cuts. More houses, more problems.
- With the move out of the EU, agriculture and its diversity will increase in importance, to ensure that production is maximised to service the home market. Livestock and arable farming are critical to achieve this.
- Traffic: Haversham is a rat run already. Speed cameras needed. Zebra crossing for schoolchildren. Bad parking on verges/pavements blocking view for drivers.
- Traffic. Doctors. Schools.
- The planning expert at the village meeting made it clear that Haversham was not suitable for large scale developments. Therefore, in Old Haversham modest infilling would be suitable development. Lack of sewer is constricting factor.
In New Haversham therefore four obvious areas of development on existing farmland: 1 and 2:- land on either side of Haversham hill belonging to Lucy Cross and Peter Dunn, 3:- land in Wolverton Road part of Field Farm, 4:- land at Wolverton Road belonging to Lucy Cross.
Small-scale infilling are too small to generate any S106 benefits or social housing. Large scale development will bring much benefits and creating community benefits must be a priority. I have doubts as to whether any form of shops would be financially viable - it would be interesting to consider the financial viability of Castlethorpe shop. But Haversham is just too close to Wolverton for a shop to be financially successful - unless of a specialist non-food type. The Greyhound could be a Community Hub - but it has a number of obvious problems and there is no easy way to solve such a problem unless a new pub/restaurant were built but the cost would be prohibitive for any developer. Any large scale development needs infrastructure and it would be interesting to know if the existing sewer system for New Haversham would support more development.
- Preserving greenbelt land. Concentrating any development around existing settlements in a sensitive way. Maintaining the separation of MK from Northampton suburbs.
- Our community should be a good place for those at all times of life, with educational and recreational opportunities for all. Any development should underpin this objective.

- Developments should be incremental and not large numbers of houses in big estates. Building community facilities for expanding villages e.g. doctors, schools, local shops etc.
- Access to school. Trying to leave The crescent is very difficult in the morning/afternoon when children are being dropped off and picked up. Some parents can be very rude and inconsiderate to people who live in The Crescent .More housing creates more demand for the school.
- People need houses. In an ideal world it would be good for the youth of the community to be able to stay in their community.
- How do we plan for growth with ever-growing population and in time as in London, villages become towns. People need houses to live and as a consequence, matters that are so important to us are not so important to town dwellers.
- Please try and protect the countryside and rural aspects of our community.
- Protecting residents property values or enhancing them; Protecting or enhancing existing residents quality of life.
- The management of traffic within the area, which [is] already very busy and will be even worse when the school in The Crescent opens for extra pupils in September.
- What facilities will improve. School access. Hospital/medical facilities. Flooding.