

## Highcliffe & Walkford Neighbourhood Plan

### Workshop Participants Feedback - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2019

#### Housing

Consider needs of rental Properties Possibly through Housing Associations	Ensure character of housing in maintained in good order	Too many flats causing density issues parking etc
Need for low cost (affordable) housing but where?	Must always built in keeping with local architecture	Too many flats being built and being unsold. Here is the planning for housing needs?
All developments should have adequate parking	Encourage Car Clubs	More social affordable Housing
Second homes destroy communities	"pepper potting" This is mixing Social housing with other types (avoids ghettos)	Retain house character of the area do not sweep away existing properties with flats
Severe shortage of medium Retirement houses (not necessarily flats)	Mix of Houses too Skewed towards elderly	Create an agency to pair up young and old to share accommodation in a safe way
Consider provision of elderly peoples shares accommodation	Unsold properties to be considered for redistribution	Resist garden grabbing vigorously
Provision of Roundabouts at Highcliffe Castle Walkford/ Ringwood road, Cat and Fiddle PH	All Flat blocks must have lifts	Energy Efficiency new build and retro fitting (consider climate change)
Aim to be carbon neutral by 2025; plan for this		

#### Transport & Mobility

## Buses

Re-evaluate bus routing	Mini bus for hospital visitors from centre of Highcliffe to Bournemouth hospital	Public transport more frequent and sustainable
Need bus between Highcliffe and Hinton Admiral Station	Timetables don't work for 1a and X1 – too close	Time table issues
Routes and timings, particularly early finishing	Harmonisation of the existing bus schedules	community mini-bus services for specific purposes, eg to Bournemouth Hospital and Hinton Admiral Train Station.
Shuttle bus services for popular events eg. Highcliffe Castle, Food & Arts Festival, Music Festival (planned 2020)		

## Trains

Community bus - station to beach	Shuttle bus to/from Hinton Admiral Station (x3)	Reconfigure Hinton Admiral Station – access for Christchurch Urban Extension - Roeshot Hill development
Under use of Hinton Admiral Station and lack of accessibility		

## Cycling

Identify cycle routes through and around Highcliffe	Cycling – currently no paths!	Where possible shared cycleways and footpaths
Cycle racks in strategic places	Designated routes around and across village	Dangerous for cycles at present – need designated routes
Encourage the Beryl bike initiative to extend to Highcliffe	Better configuration of cycle routes, pavements and vehicle parking	

## Cars and Parking

Review access to Castle from Lymington Road – roundabout on A337?	Review pedestrian access and crossing on Lymington Road near Castle – currently dangerous to groups, cyclists, and tourists	No parking in High street including on cycleways
Need audit of pavement/ road use	Audit/review parking bays to improve passage of through traffic	No parking along High Street so long as free parking
Encourage Electric vehicles into the area with charge points wherever possible	Free parking for residents behind Co-op – permit for locals but visitors to pay	Reconfigure high street parking
Take parked cars off Lymington Road in front of shops and use car park behind – may need to increase	Reduced car parking costs for residents, example - Hillingdon First Card	Highcliffe 'High Street' requires radical change to eliminate on street parking risk to pedestrians and vehicle collisions
Traffic & alternative transport; cheap sustainable public transport	Take cars off Lymington Road retail centre of Highcliffe	Improve car parking provision

## Heavy Traffic – Highcliffe ‘High Street’

Ban lorries!	Delivery restrictions during daytime?	For lorries from New Milton Sand and other through traffic –times, speed and weight to be considered
Weight limit on heavy goods	Time Limits when deliveries are allowed	High speed, too big, too aggressive, too polluting, and too much of a contribution to the overall congestion

## Pavements

Improve! (multiple comments)	Uneven, ‘ponding’ when it rains	Multiple trip/slip hazards
Small pavement blocks wrong material	New scheme of hard and soft landscaping required	

## Green Space & Coastline

Village green status for coastline west of the ‘Cliffhanger’	Protect the cliffs and beaches from any development	More signage to attract visitors
Improve accessibility and but not to compromise the flora and wildlife	‘Flag up’ the ‘green corridors’ between green spaces – better signage/ connectivity	Improve the pathways in Nea Meadows and disability access

Widen the use of green spaces with focus on 'keep trim' trails to encourage the diversity of use for all ages	Importance of allotments as green space; takes two years to establish	Education to appreciate green spaces
Reinstate the 'look out' information panel at the Castle zig-zag path to the beach	Preserve and add trees to the existing woodland as well as new areas to help impact of climate change	Ensure correct designation of green spaces to protect them from any development
Review status and designation of green spaces; i.e. Chewton Bunny to ensure protection and enhancement	Bring beach back to original glory!	

## Tourism & Industry

Encourage more light/cottage industries to attract more families/younger people to area	Boardwalk or similar to link Zig-Zag/Castle to Friars Cliff beach promenade	Rename/retain name Highcliffe-on-Sea
New Forest cycling is BIG so let's look at traffic less or low traffic routes through Highcliffe	Need surf school and facilities at Cliffhanger area/High Street	Portaloo/facilities around area of Zig-Zag (similar to Barton-on-Sea)
Encourage cafes not to close on Sundays in the summer months (school holidays)	Reinstate Colmore Steps down to the beach via pathway from Wharncliffe Road	Improve cliff top/cliff pathways
Regrade beaches with more sand	Improve directional signage eg Castle, coastal paths	Highcliffe farthest east point in Dorset 'gateway' to BCP area
Invite Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra to come and play in the Castle grounds. + more concerts	Shared office space (hosted Offices) Start-up Incubator units for new businesses	No need for any further attractions for tourists

300 sixth formers in school – what demand for apprenticeships in the area		
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## Community Facilities

Sporting facilities, eg bowls, running track	Day nursery facilities Youth coaching & clubs	Library – important, keep it. Excellent children's activities – good for families Mobile library
Adult outdoor exercise facilities	Wingfield recreation ground – perimeter 'jogging' track	Youth facilities - independent after school clubs More/larger schools to accommodation children from Roeshot Hill Urban Extension housing
Emergency services not 'visible' but respond effectively	Lack of 'banking' facilities in Highcliffe (Nationwide closing)	Local market, say, once a month
Community renewable energy schemes – Climate & Ecological Emergency 2030 declared by BCP Council	HRA Old School building, Lymington Road – coordinate as community 'hub' facility	Additional children's play area in Walkford area.

Community Policing needs to be more visible	Condition of 'streets' cleaning	Need of advertising 'What is available'
Sufficient provision for litter/waste disposal for visitors to area	Greystones, excellent community 'hub'	Increase in Health Centre and Surgery facilities with growing population – Christchurch Urban Extension c850 new homes in Parish area

## Design

Encourage different forms of tenure	Encourage housing for local people	Encourage a greatly improved 'High St'
Encourage family houses	Encourage housing for all age groups	Encourage height restrictions
Encourage balanced infrastructure to support housing: transport, retail, medical, educational, industrial, recreational etc.	Encourage better husbandry of local water courses (the grill protecting the Chewton Bunny culvert is always blocked and so too is the Bure drainage trench east of Gordon Road)	Encourage affordable housing

Encourage improved parking facilities	Discourage more flats and developments with too high a density. One method is to use financial tools.	Discourage
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## Sustainability

Encourage improved energy efficiency of existing buildings and infrastructure	Encourage tree planting	Encourage clean energy sources such as solar heating, photovoltaics, wind power, heat pumps
Encourage cycle routes And footpaths	Encourage electric charging points	Encourage facilities for recycling
Encourage improvement to unloved green spaces (eg Chewton Common, land abutting Jesmond Avenue etc)		

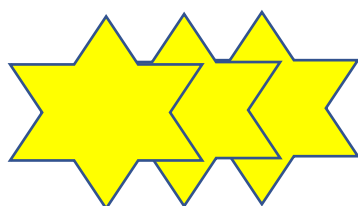
## Retail

Retail not residential at ground floor in High Street	Too many shops for the size of Highcliffe	High Street intimidating due to heavy traffic, lorries etc
Make parking free behind Co-op	Move High Street to another location to stop conflict with traffic	People on fringe of Parish do not feel part of Highcliffe
Sports Centre, maybe at the Highcliffe School to attract people	No parking in High Street, but retailers against?	Stop lorries coming through Highcliffe/ limit parking in High Street



Retail to remain to support residents rather than to be a 'draw' for shopping tourism (with the exception of the Food & Arts Festival)	Increase in disable parking	Is it feasible to pedestrianise Lymington Road from Gordon Road to the Globe restaurant? More attractive to retailers and restaurants
New Milton £25.00 timed badge	Create limited parking bays in High Street	Lorries in High Street intimidating
Close High Street once a month for a market	State of pavements	More signage for Highcliffe attractions – local guide via Highcliffe Action Team (HAT)
Smaller retail units – more viable for start-up companies Encourage a local market day	Tourist buses encouraged to visit Highcliffe Heritage walks	Consider 'change of use' of some of the existing retail premises
Too many charity shops; better mix needed	New Milton cheaper parking; better retail 'offer'. First ½ hour free parking	Provide free parking for electric cars and charging points
Co-op car park free for first 30 minutes. Conflict with free parking at retail parks.	Convert recreation park to car parking!	

### Participants 'top 2' 'star' issues



High Street design Protect open spaces and biological value	By-pass! Bus travel after 7.00pm	Safer facilities for cyclists Toilet facilities at bottom of 'Cliffhanger' /Castle Zig-zag path	Improve cycling and walking access to and around Highcliffe Parking - EV charging facilities
Incorporate allotments in any development (leave where they are) Cycle routes	Improve shopping experience eg monthly market/ close road Identify key sport/ recreation eg surf centre and/or cycling centre	Prioritise the beach as key feature Improve the 'offer' of the high Street	Promote tourism Enhance the retail experience
Affordable housing No parking in Highcliffe village centre	Improve High street (transport/ access) Better housing/ planning	Mix of housing (size, affordability) parking	Stop flat building and build terrace housing Affordable housing Families, down-sizing – Housing Associations
Retain 'green spaces' – woodland and naturalness of beach and cliffs Retain character of housing in the area	Maintenance and enhancement of trees and open spaces Sustainability plan for the area – carbon free Highcliffe	Redesign High Street to improve, wider pavements; remove parking bays along road Return name of Highcliffe-on-Sea	Redesign the High Street Improve green spaces, paths, signs, connectivity
Housing which is architecturally sympathetic to the area Clubs such as badminton etc for young people	Stop building 'luxury' flats Improve traffic flow through High Street	Redesign the High Street to make it safe and usable More mixed housing not only flats	Better youth facilities
Free parking in the Co-op Car Park for 30/60 minutes	Housing mix retail	Cycling Eco-development	Restrict the building of flats (housing for families) Protect green spaces
Free parking Surf school	High Street redevelopment Beach restoration	Sustainability Open spaces	Shopping area Access to the beach for the elderly

Supporting and re-landscaping the High Street	Develop housing not apartments Traffic management	Full audit of the management of the High Street	Sustainable affordable housing Safe cycling throughout Highcliffe
Affordable housing option for young families/elderly Sustainability	Recording of and understanding of biodiversity and connections between green spaces Management of cliff vegetation to improve biodiversity	Traffic management through village including weight restrictions No more flats	Car parking Maintaining cliff paths and benches
Lymington Road village centre conflict – cars parking, cycling/lorries Parking facilities	Housing less flats Transport and mobility	No more flats Improve ways to and along beach	Limit traffic in the High Street Restrict flats by promoting good design and construction of good housing