

# WOOTTON' S INFRASTRUCTURE

## Transport

Different people travel for different reasons to different places. For example, we travel for work, leisure, shopping, medical appointments, school, college, vets and exercise. A few of us might not travel at all with more working from home or being housebound.

Do we know who travels where, their frequency and who stays at home? How do we travel? By bike, bus, car, walk and even fly?

## Buses

See the Transport Map for bus stop locations.

S3, 7 and Middle Barton community bus to Oxford, Kidlington, Stonesfield, Chipping Norton and Witney.

School Buses to Tackley Primary School & Woodstock Marlborough School.

**What would you like our bus stops and services to look like in the future?**

More buses to stop in Wootton Village?

Bus stops to be sheltered, bee friendly rooves?

The 7 to allow passengers on and off at Wootton Turn?

More buses and routes running to local rail stations hubs and London bus hubs at Peartree and Eynsham?

More buses to run at night?

Motion sensitive lighting for walking from the bus stops to Wootton at night for safety?

Sharing community buses with village clusters to transport hubs?

Electric powered buses?

## **Cars**

**What would you like for car use in the future?**

Electric Vehicle Charging? Where?

More parking in the village, where?

A better surfaced car park opposite Judd's garage to catch a bus?

More car sharing?

Delivery vans, did you know that Morrisons shows when a delivery is in the village and you can book yours to join that van? Climate Change friendly!

# Cycling & Ebikes

**What would you like for Cycling in the future?**

A safer route to Woodstock?

A place to leave your bike near a bus stop or station?

A cross country track for fun?

Community EBikes?

# Pavement and Roads

**Please see our Landscape and Green Spaces for footpaths.**

**Could our roads and pavements be safer?**

A marked line down West End Hill to show pedestrian walking path?

More volunteers to enforce the 20mph speed limit?

A new pavement path from the Killingworth Castle to the turning to Middle Barton?

Roads, potholes and speed? Are they safe?

**How could we improve Parking?**

## **Improve Road Safety? Where?**

Make the junction and parking safer to avoid fatal crashes which have happened in the past at the road junction opposite the Duke of Marlborough pub and Judd's Garage?

## **Communication**

WIFI & Broadband..could it be better?

## **Local Community Links**

Woottonbywoodstock.co.uk website

Wootton What's app

"Outreach" online on woottonbywoodstock.co.uk and published and distributed.

Notice Boards, Wootton Stores, St Mary's Church, Village Hall & Burditch Hall

Your Neighbours!

**Could our communication links be improved?**

## **Working from Home**

Do we know how many of us work from home and who travels?

Would you like an office in your garden, garage, loft?

Would you share a warm work place hub in the winter? Or hire one for meetings

# BUILT ENVIRONMENT

## COMMUNITY BUILDINGS

### St Mary's Church

St Mary's is hosting Wootton's Evolution Exhibition here for our Neighbourhood Plan!

A sacred site since 1219, St Mary's Church has inspired faith and service in the community.

St Mary's unique history marks the Church's support to the neighbourhood over 800 years of history and parishioners' Life Events.

The memorials tell the story of the loss of parishioners in both World Wars.

St Mary's Church Hosts Community Events, the pew free area and kitchen allow for more.

Church Services

Weddings, Christenings & Funerals

Barn Dance

Pop up Village Tea Room

Open Gardens & Flower Festival (and crafts)

Christmas Bazaar & Carols Round the Tree

Concerts

The Church Parish provided "support" for those in need during Covid and continues.

Local people are Church Wardens & Congregation Members volunteer to help with the previous Rector's TRIO Lunch.

Local Bell Ringers are also social!

## **What would you like for St Mary's in future?**

Community support for St Mary's next phase of development, to build WCs which would allow for even more events?

Community support for the new Rector when he/she is appointed?

## **Village Hall**

Built in 1927 Wootton Village Hall, run by a group of Trustees, it is a registered charity with the core aim of providing a destination to support the local community.

The village hall hosts numerous community events for local people and groups.

Craft fairs

Film Night

Fundraisers, for example

Burn's Night Supper for Riding for the Disabled & Ukrainian Dinner & Talk  
Jumble Sales  
Meetings, Parish Council and Small Businesses  
Pancake Party  
Parties  
Poetry evenings  
Theatrical events  
Workshops, Wellbeing to Oxford school of Drama  
Wootton Talks

**What do you love about the Village Hall?**

**What would you like for the Village Hall in the future?**

A better kitchen for the Village Hall so that it can host more catered events?

A warmer porch entrance for the Village Hall?

Climate friendly energy for the Village Hall?

Get the Village Hall listed?

More social events for all ages in The Village Hall like Ceilidhs, Film, Pizza Night?

Dance, Judo, Middle Age disco, Yoga, Pilates, Thai Chai?

Renovate the Village Hall notice Boards?

Have a Mini Free Library box sited at the Village Hall?

## **Burditch Hall & Bridge Bar**

*Please Note, the War Memorial Playing Fields & their activities are displayed in the Landscape and Green Spaces Section.*

WCAST is a charity run by a group of volunteer trustees from the community. They manage Wootton's playing fields and the Burditch Hall.

Crowdfunding enabled a huge refurbishment project and continues with more work required.

The Bridge Bar is a place for the whole community to get together with locally brewed Little Ox beer – and a game of darts or cards with friends, old and new.

As a community hub, Burditch Hall hosts many events.

Bingo

Book club

Christmas Singalongs

Family Pizza Nights

Fundraising Events

Indian Street Food Night for Wootton's

Conservation Trust



Subbuteo  
TRIO lunch  
Valentine's Cocktail Night  
Coffee Mornings

## **What do want in the future for The Burditch Hall & The Bridge Bar?**

Youth Club only events?

EV Charging? Green energy power source?

External painting, roof repairs?

## **Wootton Stores**

A community-run shop & hub, providing a wide range of groceries, locally produced goods and freshly baked pastries, and offers teas and coffees.

Volunteer run, service with a friendly face

Wootton Stores Christmas Food Order

Books

Basic & Luxury items

Newspapers & Stationary

Kindling

Seasonal Treats

Excellent wines and drinks

A place to meet, read local notices

Collect prescriptions

Bird Food

A community hub and lifeline during Covid, volunteer deliveries.

## **What do you want for Wootton Stores in the Future?**

More volunteers to help run Wootton Stores?

Greener energy to run Wootton Stores?

A designated parking place for loading deliveries into Wootton Stores?

Anything you wish was stocked?

Could Wootton Allotments supply local fruit, veg and flowers to sell in Wootton Stores?

## **WOOTTON'S FORMER PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Our much loved primary school sadly closed in 2023, after playing such a key role in our community since a school was founded in 1787.

The Parrott & Lee Educational Foundation is a village charity dating back some 200 years and is responsible for the school. The Trustees have asked us to consult you about the school building's future.

# What would you like to happen to our School in the future?

Alms Houses/Flats provide low cost housing for elderly residents in our parish?

A nursery school? A specialist School?

A soup & sandwich café, using local produce with an Etsy style shop for products made by you?

A Creative Arts Hub Centre/Studio? Classes, open days, a shop?

A place for small business to rent space, maybe subsidised?

A hub for apprenticeships and training? What kind?

A charity hub providing a café employing people who have challenges?

A courtyard garden/orchard, seed sharing, plant swapping. Horticultural classes?

Sell the School to become residential housing which would increase the fund managed by the Trustess available to assist local children, youths and adults with educational and training needs?

## Killingworth Castle

Wootton's Award-winning Gastropub provides luxury accommodation, food and drinks for visiting guests and our community.

Wootton's monthly Quiz is held at the Killi, a social event that supports "Outreach."

Thursday supper club and Happy Hours.

Killingworth Castle often employs villagers.

Killingworth Castle hosts visitors who may benefit other village places such as Wootton Stores and St Marys.

Killingworth Castle are Climate Friendly, with permission to build an EV solar charging car park.

**What would you wish for Killingworth Castle in the future?**

Killingworth Castle to source Wootton grown produce?

Killingworth Castle to win more awards to prosper and bring more trade to the village?

Killingworth Castle to hire locally based staff?

## **The Duke of Marlborough**

Newly refurbished, popular pub with accommodation with a classic menu and take away menu.

The Duke hosts our Bell ringers after practice!

The Duke holds fun events such as British Pie Week, Band playing and Lobster & Loire nights.

What would you like from The Duke of Marlborough in the future?

## **Holiday Lets**

We have a number of Airbnb's and holiday lets in our neighbourhood.

We benefit from being able to have local places for friends and family to stay in Airbnb's/holiday lets.

Guests in holiday lets might spend in our local economy, spending in Wootton Stores and our pubs.

Holiday lets can employ local people.

How could we improve our Holiday Lets?

If guests are noisy, consider agreeing a set number of weeks the property can be let?

Could guest parking places be improved?

How many holiday lets should we have?

Could we have our own "Wootton rooms to let network" for family event visitors? Mates rates?

## **Judd's Garage**

The long serving car garage is a vacant property.

What would you like Judd's Garage to be?

Judd's Garage could be a workshop for local business? What kind?

## **Petrol Station**

Selling Motor Fuels, Calor gas and convenience food.

What would you like from the Fuel Station in the future?

Being able to buy fuel and Calor gas at a fair price?

Improve road safety at the Duke of Marlborough Junction with turnings to the garage, Duke and Stonesfield and bus stop? Traffic lights?

Stop lorries & van from parking unsafely on the road parallel to the Petrol Station or across the car park blocking drivers' views at the junction.

## **Ludwell Farm/Glympton Farm**

A working mixed farm employing local people with silage and other crops, game, sheep and award winning

Aberdeen Angus cattle.

Ludwell/Glympton Farm hosts the local community event, Glympton fireworks!

**What would you wish for Ludwell/Glympton Farm in the future?**

Attend an open day at Glympton Farm?

Can Glympton Farm help with climate change, what measures are they taking?

**What other Community buildings do you value? Why?**

## **RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS**

We have a variety of dwellings, bridges and walls built across different times with different materials.

We have some listed buildings as shown on the map and a mix of older and newer homes. The listed buildings often have house names with links to our local history.

The Mill

Kings Head House

**Should we preserve and map place names?**

Where is Hen Field or Death Field?

Where are Rams & Milk Ford?

Gloving Cottage, The Bake House, The Forge

**What Residential Buildings, Walls, Bridges and other features like a gate do you love?**

Our Wells? Milford Bridge? Cotswold walls?

## **What building materials and energy sources do you want?**

### **Traditional to the Cotswolds?**

Cotswold stone?

Stonesfield roof tiles?

Cotswold colours for roofing

Honey colours?

Doors? Latches?

### **Climate Friendly Materials & Green Energy?**

Cork

Insulated thermo treated glass

Recycled & sustainable materials

High Breem rated

Solar in the right place!

Geothermal heating

Water conservation

## **If the Government said we had to have more homes in our Neighbourhood, what kind of housing would you like and where?**

### **Convert, Repurpose Existing building structures into homes/flats?**

### **What kind of design for conversions?**

Contemporary?

Traditional?

Eco?



A blend of traditional & contemporary?

**Building some new homes, where? How many?**

**What kind of "new homes?"**

Genuinely affordable housing for local people?

Starter homes?

Bungalows?

Pods & Modular?

Luxury homes?

Eco?

**What kind of design?**

Traditional

Eco contemporary but sympathetic to the area?

**What kind of Materials and Energy Sources?**

# LANDSCAPE & GREEN SPACES

WHAT DO YOU LOVE?  
WHAT COULD BE IMPROVED?

## Allotments

Protect allotments from development?

Provide a Water supply to our allotments?  
Conserve Water

Do you want other places to grow food? Where?

## Dark Skies

Protect our dark skies for wildlife and star gazing opportunities?

Should we monetise star gazing to fund our conservation trust?

## **Flowers & Fauna**

Protect our Conservation Areas, Sheeps Bank, Ancient Woodland, Jubilee Meadows?

Any other places with unique flowers & fauna that you love?

## **Footpaths**

Compared to our Neighbouring parishes, we have much fewer footpaths & rights of way.

Which footpaths do you love?

**What would you like our footpaths to be like in the future?**

Would you like more circular footpaths?

Where would you like new footpaths? Along the Rivers Glym & River Dorn? Whereelse?

Would you like a paved footpath along the B4207 heading towards Glympton?

# Gardens

What gardens do you love?

Should everyone have access to a garden?

Would you like our gardens to be insect and wildlife friendly?

Fancy a Hedgehog Highway? Mini Ponds?

Would you like access to green spaces so everyone can grow plants & enjoy a garden?

Climate Change Resistant planting?

# Landscape Views

Our landscape views are part of our Neighbourhood linking us all to our environment, history and wellbeing.

Did you know that in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century, Wootton was known as Whitechurch Wootton because the Limestone Tower of St Mary's could be seen for miles?

View of Wootton from Glympton Road

View of Wootton from the Duke of Marlborough Pub

View of the West End

**Do you have some favourite views? Where? Why?**

**What Landscapes do you value in the future?**

Protect the view of Wootton and the church from the road coming from Duke of Marlborough bus stop off the A44 approaching West End?

Protect the views of Wootton from Roundtop in Jubilee Meadows?

Plant more native species?

## **River Glyme, River Dorn & Access to Water**

The Rivers have always flooded onto our flood plains/meadows. We had two fords called Milk & Rams Ford which were once far wider.

**What would you like for our Rivers in the future?**

Would you like River restoration?

Keep the rivers free of invasive species?

Keep pollution out? Monitor water quality?

Conduct River plants and wildlife surveys?

Map our Rivers and flood plains?

## **Village Water Supply**

The village relied upon water from a network of wells, some had to pay to use them and the water lacked iodine which could cause gouters!

Climate Change is causing wetter winters and drier summers.

**Should we conserve our water and map our wells?  
How?**

## **Trees**

Do you have some favourite Trees? Where and Why?

## **Wildlife**

What insects, birds and wild animals have you enjoyed seeing in our neighbourhood?

How could we do more to help our wildlife?

Hares crossing the road at the top of West End & on the road to Middle Barton

A White Egret in Jubilee Meadows

Barn Owls all around the village

Toads on the Road!

**How could we futureproof and strengthen our nature & wildlife?**

Protect our conversation areas and habitat?  
Monetise events to fund conservation, more  
Bat Tours, Botanical tours?

**Jubilee Meadows & Long Meadow Nature Reserve, care of Wootton Conservation Trust**

What do you love about the Jubilee & Long Meadows?

**What do you wish for the future of Jubilee Meadows & Long Meadows?**

More community support to help with managing the site?

More community help with hedge laying, removing invasive plants like Ragwort?

More community help to monitor water quality and river flies?

Nature & river tours?

Dog mess penalties?

# War Memorial Playing Fields

Managed by Wootton Community Sports Trust,  
activities include

Summer Rounders

Wootton Football Team & league matches

Wootton playground

Wootton Flower Show

**What makes the playing fields special to you?**

**What would you like for the Playing Fields in the future?**

Ability to maintain the playing fields sustainably, tackling climate change challenges?

A covered seating area?

A skateboard park?

Other sports.. Cricket? Tennis?



