



Q49 Is there anything else you would like to tell us about Hungerford or the Town Plan?

- Need to take account of new National Planning Guidance, plus emerging Localism Bill
- Reduce large vehicles using the High Street - Lorries/vans
- I think Hungerford is beautiful and has so much potential. I believe we need more independent retailers to encourage tourism. More promotion of local business and craftsmen. Develop some craft studios / workshops.
- Some older buildings to the SW of the canal bridge should be demolished and replaced with decent public parking
- A number of larger houses would balance the property type ratio. Hungerford lacks quality houses and appears a 'poor' small town
- The recent gas works have been poorly managed with crossings blocked to traffic and lights positioned poorly causing dangerous circumstances to pedestrians & drivers.
- The footbridge will be great - really looking forward to it.
The Children's Centre and Nursery is fabulous - a real asset to the Town.
- Parking next to the fire station by the houses is a danger, this should be removed
- Buildings should merge in with existing ones - using same building materials etc
- Overall it is a lovely place to be and we would like it to remain so, rather than becoming all officious with traffic wardens and fences and signs.
- That an inspection of and review of all the empty flats and living spaces which currently exist above shops and business premises in the High Street.
Planning to renovate and add these to available housing stock would improve appearance of the Street
- Why was the Marina complex not delivered opposite Cobbs Shop? It would be ideal and add more interest for people to visit the town
- Resist the temptation to allow businesses to open which 'dumb down' the standard of the High Street. (This is the 'slippery slope'!)
- Hungerford cannot live in isolation. It must adapt to external factors, the Town Plan must recognise that. It must become more than a document.
- It's not nice seeing empty properties in the High Street. I would recommend reduction of rent to help small local businesses grow or set up
- It's a lovely town and very special for SSSI and Down
- Limit the size and weight of vehicles using the A338 / canal bridge
- It needs to retain its youth services and unique character
- Hungerford feels more like a large village than a small town - I hope it stays that way!
- Do not allow signage that is not in keeping with town, no more charity shops, fast food chains / take aways (i.e. Kebab shop)
Smarten up existing properties
- Tourism only works if there is something to show or do. Need to think about kind of tourists.
- It is a wonderful town
- Employment for the next generation in Hungerford is sparse



- Some of the older buildings need smartening up on the High Street.
Flowers above shops tells visitors we care about our town.
Keep courtyard entrance at side of Azuza free from crates etc, can be cluttered
- Keep the chain stores and chain coffee shops OUT
- Try and make Hungerford feel like a town people are proud of, not somewhere people just live at the weekend
- Ban parking on footpaths in residential roads
- Encouraging coaches will cause more traffic congestion in town
- The Town & Manor need to be modernised and stop wasting money
- Maintain the character and resist outside pressures by just saying no
- The main attraction in everyday Hungerford is the antiques trade. Encourage and advertise it.
A walk along the canal and a cup of tea finish the experience well. Advertise Crofton and Wilton Windmill as local attractions/
- No houses at top of Hungerford, Salisbury Road, as cars will have to come through town.
Build on A4 or towards motorway
- The area too many pavement obstructions, especially good etc displayed outside shops
- Road works in Hungerford take far too long, poor planning and co-ordination and often little work activity
- Must retain its character
- Recent changes to parking arrangements at Station seem to have caused knock on issues
Children's Centre in The Croft is excellent
- The number empty shops is a concern / the rate at which shops shut...are the business rates too high?
- Love living here but some youths make it feel unsafe to go out at night
- Keep Hungerford small, not too much growth. Make Hungerford a lovely commuter town to bring up children
- Improve some of the shop fronts esp. by Hungerford bridge to attract tourists - encourage Hungerford Bridge area and A4 shops / restaurants to open
- Remove / reduce ugly / restrictive / excessive fencing on The Marsh
Scrap Bridge footpath; not required, money better spent
- I think Hungerford has gone downhill in the past few years. Used to feel safe after 8pm / dark, now feel intimidated by crowds of youths hanging around town / local shops
- Caution needs to be applied if considering easing congestion of road traffic as this may actually encourage an increase in through traffic
- More free parking for residents
- For the next survey allow 'his' & 'her' boxes!
- Sign to the Police station from the High Street
- Hungerford is great the way it is, but just keep a better eye on crime, empty businesses and better performing schools
- It's OK as it is. Don't screw it up with new-think. That's already destroyed Newbury. If you want to keep Hungerford nice, don't change it



- Growth in Housing must coincide with more (resident & tourist) parking areas and divert large vehicles away from main High Street & canal bridge
- Keep a good miscellany of shops with Hungerford especially 'baby-wear' and economic shoe shops
- The current congestion caused by the gas works shows how the town will be if we allow uncontrolled development, The High Street/Canal Bridge is the only practical north / south route
- Public toilet in Station Road car park
More free parking
Get rid of traffic wardens
- Nice place to live but spoilt by noise pollution of church bells, ice cream vans and parking density in most roads
- Ant road works in the High Street to have labour from 7am to 11pm (longer hours) so that the job get done quicker
- Close one footpath over the canal bridge and make the other side wider - then install one way at a time with lights
- Speed reactive signs positioned on roads leading out of Hungerford as well as approaches
- police station open at weekends 24hrs
Discourage late night drunken shouting - including pub owners reminding customers?
- I pray it doesn't turn into another Thatcham and retains its present charm
- The Arts festival is excellent - be great to establish Hungerford as the place of creativity - all year round events / groups - bit of art around the Town by local artists?
- I hope Hungerford will not become just a dormitory town. Already there are commuters living on the modern developments at the extremity of the town
- It must be kept in mind that whatever the plans include, infrastructures need to be put in place to cope with any growth in housing, can the sewers, services expand to cope?
- The beautiful building next to C-op owned by Co-op is being allowed to crumble and should be repaired or sold
- I think it's very import to revive the High Street (shops, usage of) - it's the heart of the town and local economy
- What plan!
- Stop parking in the High Street - people backing out delays traffic flow and is dangerous!!!
- Restrict parking near both schools to resident parking only encourage walking to school
- Growth should be planned and especially consultative
Promote and support existing facilities (library, schools, clubs etc)
- Speed bumps outside Hungerford Primary School and one way system from the Primary School to Church Street, double yellow lines down South View
- Please no more barbed wire fencing over Freeman's Marsh It has somewhat spoiled my walks over there
- It's great to see flags hanging in the High Street. I would like to see them stay
- Peaceful



- Clear contact list of who to talk to / call for information e.g. Wednesday market - how to get a stall to sell cakes...'.free market' place would mean giving similar suppliers a chance to display items for customers to choose!
- Improved shop frontages from the A4 to the railway
- Need to get & encourage new traders - fill the empty shops, create & generate more tourism
- Hungerford is a nice place to live, let's be on our guard to keep it that way!
We don't want signs all over the town
- Why can't we abolish parking on the High Street and have wider pedestrian friendly pavements as we did in 1910? Discourage HGV traffic using Hungerford as a rat run.
- The committee that decides on the plan for the future need thanks and every encouragement
- It is such a friendly and pleasant small country town, I would not like it to grow into an urban soulless place with loss of character
- I am sure all this is a bit of fun for a FEW (like Twinning), what came out of the last exercise and what if anything was done and will come out of this PR type exercise?
- Front of buildings cleaned more often
- To make sure that all the shops and pubs are providing a service to the town and not left empty for months / years on end
- The Town needs to encourage new jobs and needs more housing to accommodate young professionals otherwise the town will stagnate
- We live in Fairview Road and parking by commuters is terrible and cause real problems up and down Fairview Road especially during school pickup / drop off times
- Strongly disagree with the way the Council handled the new development at Smitham Bridge Road - perceived as underhand and deceitful
- To get rid of the disabled parking bay in the High Street.
Move the taxi rank round to the railway station and have 4 bays that would make it long enough for a coach could park
- Encourage more cafes, coffee shops & restaurants to Hungerford.
Limited choices so you have to go to other towns for good food, this would encourage people to come to Hungerford not just for antiques.
- Too many local shop owners who control who opens shops etc
More hotels and more shops etc otherwise Hungerford will die
- Hope pedestrian bridge comes soon
- Free parking for 30 mins
- To make Hocktide a more general public event, make it bigger, open up to children, families (like Victorian evening)
- Clean / wash building fronts - looks tired and dirty as you enter the town from A4 end of High Street
- More welcome approach to Hungerford especially via A4 and the canal - information board etc
An actual museum building linked to the tourist information building
- It is a lovely place to live, I like the specialist upmarket shops, antique shops and the Co-op & Boots



- More police to stop vandalism
- More options to entertain kids and keep them off the street instead of sitting outside the town hall
- Full marks for doing this survey, but I wish the questions were not so leading and forced residents to prioritise. Some (i.e.13-17) are simply unhelpful and even misleading without more info. This was similar to the previous survey. Town Plan also focuses on QUALITY OF DESIGN AND USE OF MATERIALS for housing, not just numbers.....it is standardised and characterless new house design as much as numbers that will destroy Hungerford's unique character
- It seems that every time we have new Councillors, new ideas come up. Can you please agree changes with residents and then stick to them
- No more houses, there is not enough services i.e. doctors etc to look after the people we already have and the traffic is now too much, more houses would cause more problems.
- Get into modern times. Nothing wrong with 'chain' stores. Tourists don't support the town, locals do! We don't need so many charity and antique shops
- My daughter from Hereford thinks Hungerford's Christmas lights are the best and very tasteful as were the Union Jacks for the Royal Wedding
- Support the Antiques sector with special events
Improve canal amenities for boaters and visitors
Accept that growth may have limits
- People need housing but nobody need sprawling estates that have been tacked onto the edges of so many towns; look at Poundbury at Dorchester
- Redesign parking in High Street
- Residential parking causes many problems - this will only increase in the future
- More involvement for residents in all matters concerning Hungerford including Town & Manor
- clearing of dog poo especially by the canal
- I think housing should be really looked into and monitored and checked to see none of them are taken the mick
- Think you should have split the cycling and walking questions - we feel relatively safe walking but not cycling. Also wonder if questionnaires should allow for different views within households!
- Plan needs to be more strategic and longer term. Hungerford is a relatively unique place so close to major urban centres and therefore needs to improve its image / brand to assist businesses within the town
- Bristol has a brilliant path for cyclists and pedestrian made from an old railway line & it connects up people from outlying to central Bristol. If that kind of 'people way' could be included in any house building plans, it would make us less dependent on cars....and reduced traffic to town which is much of people's concern re parking and safety
- I believe that attention should be given to street parking where emergency vehicle access is often compromised, for example Fairview Road and Prospect Road



- Not really, needs to be ambitious to make Hungerford stand out on the map; to make it somewhere for more than 'weekenders' - people who feel they can settle and be part of the community.
- A truly beautiful and genuinely friendly English town - my only niggles would be the ones listed above and below (plus issue of affordable shops and restaurants)
- I have the recycling schedule but it doesn't seem to be accurate, in fact it seems to be the opposite of what's listed
- Any new building within the town boundary should be for purchase or part purchase, not social housing
- Areas of grass around town could include more planting of shrubs / bushes to soften the visual of the area and assist wildlife
- Hungerford is a great place to live apart from parking and traffic congestion.
- Something done to attract new businesses to town centre. Too many charity shops. Many empty shop fronts and shops so need to understand why and address the issue.
- It is a lovely place to live with a strong sense of community.
- Well used public footpath at bottom of Tarrants Hill through to Salisbury Row lacks council attention, weeding and improved drainage are essential - looks a mess.
- While I think Hungerford needs to be in the 21st century - too much tourism will spoil its charm.
- Stop buses and lorries going down Bulpit Lane as most have to mount the pavement. Small residential road being used as a rat run.
A mirror is needed at junction of Bulpit Lane/Priory Road. Many accidents occur.
- A very friendly and wonderful town.
- q11: You haven't got a cat in hell's chance of getting a staffed ticket office.
q38: We already have 2 pedestrian crossings nearby - another obstruction would cause traffic chaos (see the Gas fiasco).
- Local shops selling the same thing will not bring in custom. Especially as they close straight away making the town look depressing and uninviting.
- Large lorries have difficulties turning into Park Street from the High Street. The problem started many years ago when the cobbles and car parking spaces were installed in front of the town hall. Prior to this the lorries were able to turn more freely.
- There are insufficient means of crossing the road North of the Bridge. Shops are closing opposite the memorial, no doubt as shoppers find it hard to get to them.
- The town and it's facilities are not big enough to cope with anymore houses.
- Road surfaces are appalling and need to be fixed, eg: Church Way South of British Legion.
- Why don't we have a youth festival weekend under 18's, with mini sports and crafts in day etc, Music at night. We must reattach the youth of Hungerford into the wider society. They are Hungerford's future.
- More for the youth of Hungerford and outside villagers other than sport, eg: drop in café, disco's.
- Extended on Atherton Hill



- Hungerford is already a great place to live, incremental improvements over big changes would be preferred.
- A great place to live.
- The over cautious management of the marsh is spoiling the area. Fences, signage, anti- dog feeling makes this beautiful area more un-natural. Any more control measures will make it like a park - Are you going to start charging admissions? Too much emphasis on protection! Let it run wild but allow people and dogs to feel free on it. Note it's the cows that do the damage!
- Less traffic.
- I would like to see free parking throughout the town. This would encourage tourism and trade.
- Stop the restrictive practices of the Town & Manor having veto over the type of shop or business wanting to set up in the town!
- Pedestrian access across the bridge is dangerous! However, after total disruption due to recent gas works (I avoided high Street completely and used Newbury). I can see why it's delayed.
- Build more properties for people such as ourselves who are looking to rent affordable properties and publicise about them.
- The drug culture must be stamped on hard and danger areas as the common, the play and football car parks and Smitham Bridge Road Industrial Area should be watched more.
- Feel very strongly that Hungerford in its unique setting (marsh and common) needs to be protected from large scale housing developments.
- The railway bridge is a dominant feature of the High Street. Could anything be done to make it more attractive? New paint scheme?
- It's a shame to see so many empty retail outlets, rates must be too high!
- Sometimes dog mess can be a real problem on canal tow path, around the town and on footpaths leading to the common.
- Change pedestrian crossing to traffic light controlled, would improve flow of traffic. If new housing estates allowed, make sure they have character ie: not like the ones already built.
- As above - no more low cost housing. There are too many estates that currently house anti social problems not being properly policed.
- Maintain town character and support/help independent stores. Littlecote house and roman villa is a wasted opportunity for the town. Need to encourage empty pubs and shops to be occupied.
- Beautiful town - Businesses need to be supported and then can have a varied town centre with new shops being supported by locals and tourists alike.
- Hungerford caters for an older / retired demographic. There could be a focus on providing more for families, teenagers and professional; couples. Teenagers have limited options in Hungerford.
- Hungerford town/plan must look at traffic issues seriously. It's becoming a bottle neck at busy times even without gas works. Entrance to Tesco from High street major problem.



- Dispose of the two shops on the right-hand side over the bridge.
Ban washing machines stored outside shop during the day.
- It is better than most other towns that my friends and family live in .
- Having just moved here, we have noticed that it is very much a town of two halves - one half very wealthy and pretty, and one half quite down at heel and poor.
- There must be another exit from the town to the A4. Where??? I've no idea!!
- Keep the town local for local people. Keep as much countryside as possible.
- I think people who wish to have children should be encouraged to move away, ie: no more houses! Over population is the root cause of all environmental problems. Traffic isn't the carbon foot print problem, it's population.
- Waste of money getting people into the town if there are no shops to visit when they get here!
- I would like to see something done about the parking in park way and Coldharbour road.
Parking of commercial vehicles on public roads and pavements.
- I would like to be able to do all my shopping here. We need mid priced ladies and children's clothes shops, shoe shops, homewares. I cannot afford the high prices in Hungerford's Niche sall shops.
- Too many HGVs over town bridge - is it possible to invoke a weight restriction to send southbound/northbound traffic up or down the A34 rather than A338.
- When I moved here 19 years ago I was told the two industrial estates would be moved to Charnham park and replaced with houses. This does not seem to have happened.
- I am very impressed at the cleanliness of Hungerford.
- Development south of A4 ie: Salisbury road area, will cause terrible congestion.
- To minimise national shops and charities coming to Hungerford, and encourage more local businesses.
- Definitely control the town boundary to avoid urban sprawl.
- Important to make the most of local community groups - youth club - theatre group, etc, to create a sense of community and belonging. Better promotion?
- Hungerford is great. It's big enough to have railway station (with Bridge), halls and nice churches, several supermarkets, fire station, police station etc, yet it's villagey enough to have charm, character, easy access by walking, super commons, country. It also has good links, river, canal, rail, A4, Salisbury road, easy access to M4. Nice people.
- Access to most shops is very difficult if you have a pram or buggy, mainly due to narrow access or high steps (High St Shops). Rarely frequent shops to "Browse".
- As someone who moved here from the north, I have found so much kindness and care for the elderly.
- Please - no more signs!!!
- Reliance too much on tourist shops eg: gifts, antiques. If trying to buy from independent businesses there is a small range of goods you can buy with limited opening times.
- Marsh area and common too much fencing in ruining scenic panorama at what cost. What cost/need - dog poo bins on common doesn't make sense again cost - where are the cow bins?



- New houses should be offered to people in Hungerford before people wanting to move into Hungerford.
- A beautiful place to live. The antiques trade is possibly our greatest asset as it attracts so many visitors. The greatest danger to Hungerford is the building of more houses. The greatest disadvantage is the amount of on-street parking which clogs up the traffic flow, and who on earth granted permission for the new parking spaces on Church Street, on a curve, where it is difficult to see what is coming the other way.
- Ensure that council and decision makers are up to speed on Environmental designations, SSI, SAC, ANOB and why these are in place.
- I am quite new to Hungerford, but have been told by long-term residents that elements of the last town plan have still not been actioned - eg: pedestrian crossing for Edington.
- Lovely little town, pretty surrounding countryside. Hope it stays that way.
- To only allow new housing developments north of the A4. People come to Hungerford for Tesco only (Generalisation). Make more of the canal as a feature. Jethro Tull Statue.
- Better painting standards in High Street especially Altheas and Building next door to co-op.
- Keep it Environmental friendly as possible.
- Hungerford is a great place to live. All the laws we have are useless without enforcement. Street drinker - speed drivers - questions 40, tell you the area of problems.
- Remove colour brand from Total and Texaco garages - eye sore as enter town from east or north. Require these garages to convert to neutral brown/green colour scheme on structure/fascias etc.
- Something is missing in the community feel here. I'm not sure what it is, the commuting nature might be a cause. If you haven't got children and don't drink alcohol, there is something missing.
- It's a lovely town and I would hate to see it end up like Thatcham - in fact if it did my whole family would consider moving away!
- Listen to the people!
- Would the council consider sponsoring HADCAF type events throughout the year?
- Hungerford should have some sort of franchised pizza delivery restaurant - this would be used by town people and neighbouring villages which are too far from Newbury for deliveries.
- There are too many empty shops - this looks very bad.
- Having lived here for 2 years it is a lovely place to live.
- Do the basics first, then the optional stuff.
- Coach parking spaces in town to bring in more visitors.
- Shame about all the boundaries (fences) along the marsh and tow paths
- I understand that works were needed to prevent erosion of river banks, but the fencing work at Freemans Marsh is awful and whilst dog walking is restricted to help wildlife, children and cows are not!
- Paint railway bridge in town centre.
More policing near library parking and canal bridge closest to railway bridge (kids smoking weed).



- Hungerford kept as a small market town and not to be ruined as Newbury is!
- I love the surrounding countryside.
- It is a great place to live but the high street is in decline and we need to prevent inappropriate housing developments.
- Get up to date without losing the culture. Empower. Enable!
- No more charity shops! Hungerford used to be a quaint little town of antique shops, not now, it is all charity shops which have no character whatsoever. Bring back more individualism.
- More effort should be made to fill all empty shops, or maybe put a display in empty shop fronts to make the place look better.
- A great idea and needed in changing times.
- Make use of croft, town hall to encourage informal get-togethers and informal participation creating sense of belonging open to all.
- Hungerford is a great place to live.
- Remove residential street parking between croft road and fire station. It causes havoc and should NOT have been given. Give parking concessions in the CAR PARK.
- Rather than reduce speed limits near schools teach the children road safety.
- Reduce traffic and priory road parking.
- More affordable housing for Hungerford youngsters.
- I know nothing of the town plans. I believe the town could offer more to youths and that more should be done to encourage free enterprise.
- Referencing below, many junctions live Moores place are totally obstructed by parked cars giving no visibility of oncoming traffic.
- The town is dated and looks grungy. Needs to modernise but keep its character.
- How about our own waste disposal unit as Newbury is too far!
- I love Hungerford and get visitors to visit me. Local, national and international to show off our town. However shop keepers aren't always friendly when they hear a foreign accent.
- The new footbridge over the canal will be an eyesore for generations to come and negates any effort to retain the traditional character of Hungerford. West Berkshire council will ultimately determine what is best for Hungerford.
- To move forward from this plan, at some point, to invite all residents, businesses to be able to contribute to making the town a better place.
- Town council not open to new ideas or change. Town and Manor not will to open up to "outsiders" who also live in Hungerford. Tutti day should be for EVERYONE!
- Hungerford is a lovely town but it is spoilt by excessive littering and dogs fouling the pavements. Even the main High Street pavements are regularly fouled by dog mess.
- I recently moved back to Hungerford after moving away in 1997
I have noticed since then many parts of Hungerford have become scruffy and unkempt, mainly the roads and pavements,
- not seen town plan, where is it? More info needed - should be sent to all residents.
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- I love this town and don't want it turned into a mini Newbury - keep its charm as a small market town - steeped in history.
- Hungerford is still a pleasant town to reside.
- We must retain Hungerford much as it is. The town has a gentle character of its own and a visible community spirit. We must limit expansion.
- Some roads desperately need re-surfacing. Improvements to the Primary School or a new building to help increase size/space.
- Traffic is a nightmare - co-op deliveries need to be earlier and not at 8.30 - 9am when school coaches are trying to come up. We don't need any more zebra crossings - everyone runs out whenever they want anyway!
- Play loud music where it will not be a nuisance to others. No restrictions and free, policed if necessary.
- Feel particularly strongly about building on green land and extending into countryside - the previous town plan supported this.
- Please ensure road works are limited and timings prompt. I feel for the shops etc. at this time. Hungerford is a very appealing, well located and sized town. Its success depends on a variety of shops and all units being occupied.
- Provide Lower Denford bypass to the A4 at a new roundabout. This is now very urgent.
- Parking at Charnham Park is dangerous. It's too narrow for parking on blind corners. Co-op deliveries should be outside rush hours.
- Park Street and Church Street are very difficult to cross especially for the elderly, better environments for the elderly and better housing for same.
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- I love this town and don't want it turned into a mini Newbury - keep its charm as a small market town - steeped in history.
- beautiful Town with too many traffic
- it is still a really pleasant Town to live in and we are very fortunate with our surgery etc.
- more restaurants, more houses, more people, good for economy. Encourage business to move in, lower rates more units. Develop marina, more for kids.
- residents are very positive about the Town and about living here. That is very positive feature of the Town.
- More shared ownership housing schemes for Hungerford people.
- A unique friendly town small scale able to absorb modest numbers of residents and tourists without becoming a "theme park" attraction hope quality and originality can be kept.



- Hungerford is a great place to live. It is in danger of being spoiled by expansion outside of the current town boundary and too much infill consider reuse of brownfield sites.
- I'd like dog owners to be more responsible and maybe a fine for those who aren't, with regard to leaving faeces everywhere.
- To improve shopping availability for local people. To promote Hungerford more community activities ie like Victorian Extravaganza. A place for teenagers in the evenings - café style.
- It would be a travesty to build housing of any nature on areas of ON Beauty in Hungerford e. the border with Wiltshire protect Hungerford protect our amazing community.
- I know its important to protect the marshes/river etc but too much fencing etc stops young people being able to play in the water which is part of childhood and also need protecting. Housing only if capacity increased in schools.
- any future works need to be carefully thought out or else we will lose our local traders.
- Lovely little town but only comes alive 2-3 times a year similar to most French villages nice but dead from 4pm daily.
- more normal high street shops
- Keep Common and marsh for Hungerford people not Town and Manor.
Railway station was manned deemed not necessary
- At the junction between Fairview road and Park street a pavement should be laid on the corner from North view round to the pet shop then a zebra crossing from the pet shop to the police station this would make getting into the town with a pushchair more accessible.
- Allow seats outside the 3 Swans it will promote more socialising in the High Street.
- Hungerford must not be forced into large-scale housing plans.
- Urgent resurfacing of Homefield Way. Not been repaired since 1963. No tarmac, broken concrete.
- To keep the character of the town.
- We need to protect existing health and other services.
- Hungerford is a great place and should be encouraged to grow in a more caring way, more social facilities as above. Cheaper rates and rents for businesses. Huh!
- More public access to River Kennet
- Further development must be measured and not spoil what we have got.
- I moved here a couple of months ago and have fallen in love with it. The work that has been put into the community is fantastic, Everyone is doing a wonderful job.
- Very friendly place to live.
- In general we are very lucky to live in a beautiful area of Hungerford. Let's not spoil it. Keep it special.
- Would like to see less empty shops and another cafe that is suited to parents with young children.
- We think the present administration is doing a great job in difficult times.
- Bring back outdoor swimming pool, update leisure centre eg coffee bar, canteen. Close antique shops down.



- I feel Altheas and MG Dodds are becoming an eyesore in the town. They are the first shops you see when you come over the bridge and are hardly very modern. Consider renting the Lamb and old Casanova's to a restaurant chain. Do something URGENTLY about the empty building opposite the John O'Gaunt pub.
- Coach loads of tourists would be horrendous and may have the adverse effect as they may not comprehend the ambience of the town, not enough for them to do and they may write negative comments on line.
- Please resolve traffic issues. Move Smitham Bridge industrial units out of town to Charnham Park, the bridge was not designed for that quantity of HGVs.
- erect signs on west side of High Street so that parked cars are not allowed to BACK OUT into street from the parking area.
- A good bakers shop that sells bread!
- I find this questionnaire repetitive and questions are phrased in a leading way based on prejudiced views. It also lacks definitions eg what is meant by 'health services'?
- Sincerely hope that any further works in High Street will not cause so many problems - it's terrible!
- Need to blow our own trumpet more in the media
- need to improve 'gateway' for visitors by rail - dreadful first impression. Landlords to reduce rents so that tenants of shops have gradual escalation - too many empty shops. Quality shops only (as in Marlborough) no Pound shops etc.
- Ensure we do not lose shops and businesses so employment for local people.
- No drink or drugs on common, marsh or
- Need nice restaurant - not a pub or cafe - for nice lunches/dinners.
- I love Hungerford. For safety you need to make a no parking area outside 'From the Heart' as it obscures view of traffic coming up the High Street when trying to turn out of Tesco's
- Important to maintain individuality ie shops, events like HADCAF, Tutti Day
- Reduce parking in Church St between Fire Station and Croft Road as this causes obstruction. As parking is available close by, these residents should be given a permit to use the car park and not park on a narrow busy street.
- On the common approach from Lower Denford coming up to the rail bridge there are road signs 40mph and I feel this is too fast on a bad bend over a narrow bridge.
- Bridge St is a credit to Hungerford with its lovely shops etc but what a contrast when passing over the canal bridge into the High St with all electrical hardware on display outside a certain shop. It makes the street look shabby. What a shame after a grand entrance.
- Improve the yellow lines (double) along Charnham Park. It is extremely dangerous pulling out of Kennet Way. View in both directions is impossible. Should certainly be extended from Kennet Way to roundabout on A4.
- Are the landlords doing their best in the present financial crisis - so many shops seem to be closing
- I feel Hungerford is stuck in the 1980's and needs updating
- Too much traffic passes through Hungerford on just one single road causing hold ups, congestion and chaos as is currently being experienced with gas works.



- How hypocritical is question 16 when permission has been granted to demolish the Priory building (historic) and replace it with a modern monstrous building which is totally the opposite.
- Not to spoil Hungerford by building on greenbelt or areas of outstanding beauty
- I appreciate all Hungerford does to help its senior citizens. I love living in Hungerford
- I wish to reiterate the need of installing speed reactive signs on A338 approaching and leaving Hungerford via A338 due to problem of visibility when pulling out of Priory Road roundabout onto A338
- Need to take off bridge. Divert A4
- I would like to see the ugly BMW garage knocked down so the Bear Hotel would be the first building you would see when coming into town.
- With all the plans for new houses, is there any plans to build another primary school or doctors surgery to ease the pressure this will cause on existing ones?
- Better precautions for icy pavements in Winter
- Many of the proposed / suggested ideas will cost money that the town simply doesn't have without council tax increases. Local people have to want to improve things - and there is simply too much indifference.
- Address the issue of vacant commercial property in Charnham and Bridge Streets by diverting the A4, widening pavements and encouraging outdoor seating to improve footfall and reduce traffic.
- More facilities for youth
- I came to live in Hungerford in 1982 May. I love it but will have to leave at some time because of age and family 70 miles away. I would hope that Hungerford will remain a lovely country town and hope it will not grow and grow. DO NOT SPOIL IT.
- Firstly you're doing an excellent job - keep it up, we'll get there in the end! Secondly, keep Hungerford Hungerford. Don't allow selfish and inconsiderate overdevelopment.
- New housing should not be allowed until Primary School is expanded and John O'Gaunt is renovated.
- Try street lights off, see if it works.
Gas / other works should be kept to a max of 6 weeks. They could start work at 6am, a new shift finish at 9pm
- Thank all the volunteers who are doing this survey. Well done.
- Take away cheap signage eg Blue Cross shop
- A HADCAF type event in winter would be nice
- Some redefinition of settlement boundary is probably necessary
- Please increase the double yellow lines along Charnham Park, the parking has become terrible, blocking the junction and potentially causing accidents.
- Generally very little litter apart from beer cans / bottles along the canal, by the station especially at weekends. Clear the footpath and paint railings from station to High Street
- concentrate on saving character of High Street / Bridge Street. Avoid becoming another Thatcham



- Canal bridge asap
- Any housing development should be close to A4 for easy access and to avoid more High Street congestion
- We love living in Hungerford
- Too much fencing in of marsh - ruining the scenery
- I think that the Victorian Extravaganza should include more craft stalls and opportunities for buying locally made gifts - it would be a great Christmas shopping opportunity but at the moment it is a missed opportunity.
- In general it's a nice town to live in.
- Whilst Hungerford has charm + character there seems a very restricted ideology from those in power in the town council that doesn't accept change is a good thing as is competition. The community should be asked for their opinions in local referendums.
- Make sure the marina development is forced to go ahead or the land to be sold to a developer that will - museum, café, berth marina, pub all be beneficial to tourism and income
- Shame there is nowhere to drink/eat by the river
- Hadcaf, CHAIN, Victorian Evening are all fantastic. Retain the skatepark and focus on supporting teenage activities.
- Any tendency to agree with most of the questions implies additional expenditure. In the current climate, who will pay? Residents already pay additional council tax compared with residents of Newbury. Some statements/questions about financing these 'improvements' are serious omissions and render this questionnaire rather pointless.
- Road surface improvements, ie Priory Avenue, Church Way, Homefield Way, etc, due to heavy traffic rather than lesser non-through roads, ie Atherton Crescent.
- From a housing point of view, people born and bred in Hungerford should be looked after before all the new rich people moving in.
- I am really impressed with the kids centre and the services it provides
- No
- Fill empty shops even if it means lowering rates, better some income than none. Recompense for businesses hit by gas works - fine to WBC not good enough!
- Standing traffic is the biggest threat to Hungerford. The gas mains works shows this. A single major housing development would produce the same effect but it will not go away. The High Street would die. We will leave.
- Don't waste money on fake painted-on cycle lanes or stick-on ugly bollards or other cluttering street furniture - waste of time, money and space!
- Clean up and make more attractive the approach to Hungerford on the A4 from the east over the river. It looks a mess and could so easily be made more attractive.
- The scheme to improve the safety of pedestrians and disabled users of Hungerford bridge should be implemented as soon as possible.
- Do not agree with the parking in Church Street. Not easy to see when coming out from the Croft. Change the Give Way sign from Church Way to Church Street to improve safety.
- It is sad to see so many empty shops. The town should be supporting its High Street businesses and help them survive.



- It is important that the local independent shops, especially the antique shops which draw people to Hungerford are supported and parking available for their customers.
- None. For me the plan is enough.
- A Waitrose store
- Disappointed about skyline development on North Standen Road (Penny Farthing Close) - could have been below treeline
- The current developments on the marsh have not been managed with sufficient regard to the needs, physical and aesthetically of people. Support wildlife, yes, but with much less regimentation - it's beginning to look like Colditz.
- The continued support of local events, clubs and organisations
- Sort out Church Street before there is an accident - the existing road side parking is ridiculous being situated on a curved road, surgery junction and fire station entrance, plus Church Street public car park.
- Parking is not cheap!
- Any new housing should be close to the A4 to help avoid further congestion in the town.
- More litter bins
- Street clutter around the Town Hall is terrible - do a street / road signs and clutter audit. Light pollution from streetlights, security lights and floodlighting is wasteful and disturbing, especially from the football club.
- Hungerford needs to improve facilities for its young people - they are our future and their energies need to be focussed in a positive way and a community spirit fostered.
- Dick Lovett's is an out of keeping eyesore. How was that ever allowed in such a historic part of town?
- Paving should be improved / maintained
- To improve roads - pavement access
- Stop living in the 1800s
- Too much fencing on the marsh. The marsh was given to the PEOPLE of Hungerford. Not for others who don't live here to decide what should be done.
- As I have been advocating Hungerford for years, new planning permissions for residential purposes should be restricted to areas north of the centre(?) Every house has 2 cars, 1 of which commutes to the A4 adding noise and exhaust to areas of the High Street and Bridge Street during rush hours.
- Ban Victorian Extravaganza
- To keep Hungerford a small community town. No buildings on green belt areas
- Is it possible to encourage a good quality delicatessen into the High Street.
- As above plus proper parking places for coaches off road near to the café for visitors.
- I lived in Eddington in the 70s and 80s and loved Hungerford. I recently moved back for a while and was saddened to see how many gift/card shops and trivia now has filled the town, reducing the strength and character as a market town.
- Advertise the common and marsh open spaces



- Hungerford urgently needs a disability plan. As most shops are inaccessible to the disabled. Ramps and handrails on all access points to shops and other buildings would comply with disability regulations. Clubs and pubs and hotels should not be exempt from this plan.
- Any additional housing should go on A4 to keep additional traffic away from town centre.
- Most things in Hungerford tend to be expensive. In Newbury one can eat out very much cheaper than here.
- The canal footbridge is not necessary. The fencing on the marsh is an abomination.
- The proposed new footbridge should be reviewed. Is it just a way to allow more traffic over the bridge, which would give the green light to further development south of the town. As yet there has been no injury on bridge.
- More new houses on brownfield sites / edge of town. Hungerford needs to grow to support businesses in town. High Street commercial premises need occupying not standing empty. Better marketing of town as a place to visit.
- Improved pedestrian crossing on the A4 into Hungerford where new development is. Better link form there to the station. Speed cameras on the A4 or link road to M4 (Eddington) people drive too fast. Dangerous crossing the road.
- Less talk, more action!
- I feel that Hungerford High Street misses a lot of passing trade on a Sunday when day-trippers arrive; all shops should be open 11-3pm at least.
- Don't think hotel in Charnham Park is a good idea. A new supermarket could benefit town and local areas more plus it creates more parking.
- Do not want any building on the Salisbury Road countryside, should be nearer M4
- There should be 30 min parking in the High Street and inexpensive longer term parking for those who work in Hungerford.
- Social housing for the elderly and disabled should remain in the town centre to allow for maximum accessibility to library, shops, railway station and health facilities.
- I love Hungerford and think it is a super place to live; everyone seems happy living here.
- Concerned that so many shops are closing
- I'd like to see all the buildings beyond the Chinese takeaway down to the canal to have a facelift (especially Forget Me Not). Some of them are an eyesore and let the town down.
- Need to encourage (join up) shops on both sides of canal bridge
- Residential parking in Church St is badly designed and dangerous. Parked vans obstruct my view when leaving my driveway.
- Existing plan has most objectives completed. Questions are of course what people want/wish but costs need to be realistic if desired. Yes we want everything but if no expansion of housing Hungerford will not grow and will lose out to nearby towns
- Me and partner both work in Hungerford and want to live in the town but being pushed to Marlborough where they are offering affordable housing
- Hungerford is a great place which is why I wish to remain local and not be forced to buy a property somewhere else - I have always lived locally and want it to stay that way.
- I hate the traffic congestion in the High St and around the Primary School. I walk or cycle wherever possible & think cycle parking and facilities would help.



- Please provide more dog poo bins in residential areas
- Scrap plan to put pedestrian bridge on side of town bridge. Find another solution to the problem!
- We are delighted to have moved here & look forward to getting to know more about the town and surrounding area.
- Please, please mark the High Street & Bridge St with centre white lines and double by John O'Gaunt. Sick of people cutting that corner in both directions and for goodness get on with road repairs in Bridge St, Church Way at top out to Salisbury Rd.
- Sadly this questionnaire seems to raise more questions than it answers
- Build the M4 side of town as the traffic system in the High Street is impossible to take more traffic
- I feel that the town is ending up as a ghost town if there is no benefits for new shops to open (high rates and rents). Also station and surrounding area not an inviting sight.
- No expansion
- Affordable housing and housing association houses in Hungerford should be offered to Hungerford residents first.
- If we intend to encourage tourism - encourage more B&B outlets as previously existing outlets charges too high. We have increasing number of cyclist travellers who need more reasonable room rates.
- Do not allow out of town supermarket or other large stores - this would kill the town centre and all independent retailers
- If creating a plan there must be a realistic balance of aspiration and practicality. The A338 is a major lateral. Putting a traffic island outside Tesco will not be welcome to the majority of users, give serious consideration to 2nd and 3rd order effects in such suggestions.
- Just that most of it reads like a developers wish list
- Love Hungerford - important to preserve town & character
- More support is needed for independent retailers. Maybe some recognised retail brands should be allowed to fill empty shops. Really concerned that large housing development at the top of the Salisbury Road will result in traffic chaos in town and affect retailers as roadworks have
- Due to the traffic issues over the past 3 months resulted in the most unpleasant time I've endured in Hungerford having been a resident for over 10 years.
- Ban any building on existing green spaces. More double yellow line parking restrictions to deter bad parking. Ban fast food vans from town centre
- Sort out the blind crossroads at the Tally Ho, A338 Hungerford Newtown. Turning onto the A338 or crossing it is a lottery.
- Concerned that when we moved here 7 years ago, I could buy most things I wanted, including clothes and shoes in Hungerford. So many shops here closed, I now need to go the Newbury or beyond
- More resources should be given to the towns 3/4 excellent sporting clubs and more development support at youth / junior levels.



- There is still unevenness about the shops e.g. 4 card shops as well as Tesco etc selling them but diminishing places to eat and no places to buy modern things, DVDs, games etc.
- By the railway car park there is a large area of land which could be used for long term parking and coach parking
- Too much building will destroy the character of this historic market town
- Make more use of our canal for recreation etc
- Need to address dog mess issue from small minority of irresponsible dog owners, in particular on the canal towpath and Portdown. Encourage shops at north end of High St to improve their appearance
- Would be good if Chamber of Commerce / Town Council could seek to proactively ensure all retail units in the centre of the town let as much of the time as possible, perhaps by providing attractive introductory rates. Widen Bulpitt Lane and decrease width of overly wide pavement or reduce to 1 pavement esp at junction with Priory Road. Hungerford, W Berks & AONB to be promoted nationally as a beautiful area / tourist destination.
- Let individuals build outside the town boundary
- The second floor above Altheas is an eyesore. The town plan suggests encouraging the owners to look after their properties - also the building in Bridge St needs sorting out.
- We all love the Hungerford traditions, ie: Carnival, Victorian evening.
- Could enhance on the history of Hungerford that makes this town so very unique and special.
- People come to live in Hungerford because it is a lovely rural market town. Please don't allow it to become a bland "Tesco Town" with lots of modern ugly housing estates.
- The gates on to the common make it inaccessible to many people ie: those with buggies. Would be great to replace them with simple open wide and spring back shut.
- Encourage and support independent retailers, small traders, farmers market, local business etc.
Prevent plans for travel lodge type motel and associated budget retail store.
- I live in Kenney Way and struggle to turn right already due to the speed and cars using roads as "rat run" or "diversion". More vehicles would make it almost impossible to get out. Parked cars in the way reduce vision.
- The town needs a new road link to the south west linking the A4 and A338. This would improve road access and give additional housing opportunities.
- Maintain all the hard work at Eddington Cemetery
- The car park in the middle of the common is a disgrace and when it is wet it is impossible to change into boots without getting covered in mud. How about a proper resurface?
- The sports centre pool is too small or badly run. An outdoor pool would be fantastic.
- Ideally a good supermarket positioned on the outskirts of town rather than centrally. Reduce no' of charity shops and revitalise the shopping.
- Keeping the park by the football club up together.
A pub garden for families.
A community garden would be good, getting school involved would help kids get interested.
- What a waste of money building a new bridge!



- We feel privileged to be able to live here but our daughter has no chance of getting onto the housing ladder due to the high prices.
- Enclosed sheet of paper: (Transcribed here):
Open end questions you gave insufficient answer options for:
3: How do you plan on reducing congestion?
4: How are you planning on providing more jobs?
5: We don't have a litter problem.
6: What needs to be improved?
8: What was the point in asking when we already know you never have any intention of doing so even though it is desperately needed?
10: Was this survey printed on recycled paper?
11: No one is interested in seeing the train station, it just looks like all other train stations by cleaner!
13: Not possible.
22: How do you plan on linking them?
24: Where was the choice of "it's too expensive"?
25: What would be the benefit?
26: Why did the close the youth centre?
29: It's already compulsory with all planning decisions.
31: The road is safe and the drivers are careful but the children walk out in front of them!
32: And during the holidays and the time frame that they're not at school every day and weekends?
34: It doesn't need to be 40 let alone 30!
35: Should have done when Charnham Park was first built.
36/37: Where do you propose putting more?
38: Delivery lorries are suppose to go where?
40: F, Only to stop people parking in residential areas when they're at work.
41/42: Why - What are you planning on telling them? Waste of money!
43: Needed, but where would you put it?
- The town needs to embrace the modern and not be stuck in the dark ages. Town planners need to move with the times, not reflect on what it was like back in the "good ole days". More vibrant, continental feel to the town would make residents happier and would also encourage visitors to the town.