

**Fontmell Magna Neighbourhood Plan Options Consultation on Infrastructure  
May 2017**

This consultation for the Neighbourhood Plan looks at future social infrastructure, health, transport, energy saving, communication and business and employment in the parish. It is available on line at [www.fontmellmagnapc.co.uk](http://www.fontmellmagnapc.co.uk).

Paper responses can be left in the shop with grateful thanks to Rick and Jan Attfield.  
**All completed questionnaires should be returned by Friday 19th May 2017**

We welcome your comments on the following or on any aspect of infrastructure that we have missed.

**Community Infrastructure** Under the 'community right to bid' parish councils can designate facilities as 'assets of community value' included in a register held by North Dorset District Council. This is a means of protecting the most valued and essential parish facilities from change of use after a breakdown. The facility must have a reasonable chance of continuing to be run by the parish, to justify designation.

**Q.1** Please tick which of these you consider to be a **priority for the parish**:

- Local education for primary school aged children.....
- After school provision offered by St Andrews C of E Primary School.....
- Preschool provision by Under Fives ..... and by the Toddler Group.....
- Shopping facilities at the Village Stores.....
- Village Café integral to the stores .....
- The Fontmell Pub.....
- Fontmell Surgery run by Blackmore Vale Partnership.....
- The private health clinic based at the surgery .....
- Sports facilities adjacent to the Village Hall.....
- Village playground adjacent to the Village Hall.....
- Church Services at St Andrews Church.....

**Q.2** Are there any facilities or amenities listed in the FMNP literature or otherwise that you would like included?

**Youth Organisations** Although there appear to be a relatively small number of children and teenagers living in the parish currently this will probably change with the addition of new and affordable homes.

Please circle **Y** or **N** where appropriate.

**Q.3** Are you:

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| looking for additional activities for young people?          | <b>Y</b> | <b>N</b> |
| willing to facilitate this by helping to run a youth club?   | <b>Y</b> | <b>N</b> |
| willing to be involved in scouting, guiding or similar?      | <b>Y</b> | <b>N</b> |
| able to offer any other social opportunity for young people? | <b>Y</b> | <b>N</b> |

### Facilities and Amenities

**The Village Hall** would benefit from improvements subject to the agreement of, and provision by, the Management Committee. As part of the consultation residents are asked to indicate priorities from:

- A. At a potential cost of £2000, **An audio loop system**
- B. At a potential cost of £2000, **New chairs**
- C. Subject to land/site 24 being available, **Additional land** to provide a 7 a-side football pitch
- D. At a potential cost of £20,000, modernised **Playground Equipment**
- E. **Wi Fi access** to the internet

Funding for improvement options A and B could be sought from organisations which use the hall most frequently.

Users could be charged for the provision of Wi Fi if it became available

**Q.4** Of options A to E **please rate in importance for the community**, by *1= very important, 2= desirable, 3= not a priority, 4= not needed*

A.....B.....C.....D.....E.....

### Allotments

**Q.5** Would you use an allotment scheme if it was available? Y      N

### Pharmacy

**Q.6** It is not likely that a pharmacy will be provided in Fontmell Magna. Is pharmacy provision currently based in Shaftesbury or Child Okeford likely to meet your needs? Y      N

### Broadband Provision

**Q.7** If your broadband speed is currently slow (less than 2Mbps) would you be prepared to pay for a wireless network from a private provider e.g. Wessex Internet? The cost is approximately £39 per month. Y      N

### Business and Employment

**Q.8** Primarily, new businesses should make use of existing structures such as redundant farm buildings and through change of use of a property. Do you agree? Y      N

**Q.9** The Local Plan policy is to allow the expansion of existing employment sites. Do you agree? Y      N

**Q.10** The Neighbourhood Plan should facilitate the development of tourism, hospitality, local services, locally produced goods and on local skills. Do you agree? Y      N

**Q.11** The Neighbourhood Plan should restrict the development of light industry and storage facilities. Do you agree? Y      N



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**Roads**

**Q.21** Do you agree that the rural character of local roads should be protected from development and overuse by traffic? **Y      N**

Dorset Highways have a responsibility for core functions relating to highway maintenance. Local communities may want the following non-essential functions carried out more frequently than DCC can accommodate.

**Q.22** Would you pay an increase in the parish precept for this work? Specifically:

Urban grass cutting	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>	Rural verge cutting	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Gulley emptying	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>	Weed killing	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Sign Cleaning	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>	Road sweeping and general cleaning	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Tree pruning	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>	Removal of detritus from footways	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>

Other work by Dorset Highways is even more vulnerable and will probably need Parish Council funding and/or organisation if it is to take place.

**Q.23** Would you pay an increase in the parish precept for this work? Specifically:

Earlier refreshing of road markings and replacement of road signs	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Winter service functions – salt and bins, salting of routes	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Village gateway signage	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Other non-essential sign replacement	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Grip (the link between carriage way and ditch) clearing	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Cutting back overgrowth around surface gullies	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Clearance of fallen leaves from gullies	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Proactive cleaning of surface water systems	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>
Painting or treating fencing	<b>Y</b>	<b>N</b>

**Q.24** Would you volunteer as part of a supervised work party to carry out all or some of this work? **Y      N**

**The aesthetic character and appearance of the parish**

**Q.25** How important do you think the preservation of the rural appearance and character of the parish is for the future? Please tick one of these values:

Extremely important      Important      Of little importance      Of no importance

**The Neighbourhood Plan** is the responsibility of the Parish Council.

**Q.26** What else do you expect from the Fontmell Magna Parish Council?

**Q.27** Is there anything else about community amenities and facilities you would like to mention?

It would help to know your name but if you prefer you can confirm that you are a resident of the parish of Fontmell Magna or if not, state what connection you have with the area.

Name/connection.....