

## HOLT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – DRAFT 1.5 CONSULTATION

### GREEN SPACES FEEDBACK

Total forms received – 51

Not everybody responded to every issue, so the totals vary. There was also some ambiguity in the form as many people didn't tick the overall Objectives boxes but appear to have assumed these were headings, hence low scores.

	Keep	Amend	Drop
<b>Objective GS1: Protect and improve rural footpaths and improve access to farmland and rural walks</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
GS1.1 Develop measures to ensure unhindered access across public rights of way; encourage landowners to re-instate the unhindered access to farmland	42	1	1
GS1.2 Campaign to establish new rights of way, safe walking routes out of the village and more bridleways	41	2	4
<b>Objective GS2: Retain, improve and extend green spaces</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
GS2.1 Document existing green spaces with public access within the Plan area; identify new areas suitable for designation as green space	46	1	0
GS2.2 Define the village settlement boundaries and ensure that the green belt beyond these is protected	45	2	0
<b>Objective GS3: Encourage the development of allotments</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
GS3.1 Establish the number of residents who would use allotments; identify suitable land; engage with landowners; obtain permissions and funding	39	2	2

### COMMENTS

#### General

- Make Staverton Lane one way.
- Define FP34 which never seems to be usable.
- Preserve the open aspect of unhindered green space on the Melksham road leaving Holt, with its significant views of the valley to the south.
- Make investigations to ensure that green spaces are maintained and potential conservations areas are defined, especially with regards to areas of significant historical context, or outstanding natural beauty.

#### GS.1

- Strongly emphasised (x2)

#### GS1.1

- No success with the new owner for Holt Manor. Can only see that money in the end will win.
- Grass/meadows grown for silage need to be protected from many trampling feet. Footpaths through these areas at certain times of year need clear signage to request keeping to the

footpath.

- Have early consultation with new land owners about footpaths.

#### **GS1.2**

- Possibly add cycleways?
- In particular, I would like improved access to the river and a riverside walk. Also, more off-road cycle paths, to Melksham, Trowbridge and Bradford on Avon.
- Reinststate FP57 which was closed for a foot-and-mouth epidemic long forgotten. This would give safe pedestrian access to Broughton Gifford, Whaddon and Melksham(x2).
- Possible upgrade to cycleway?

#### **GS2.1**

- Some provision should be made for lesser green spaces – the little green and narrow green, to be used to provide parking at some point in the future.
- Investigate whether all green spaces ought to be designated as assets of community value.

#### **GS2.2**

- Suggest clarify which land is “green belt” (formal designation) and which is green field(x2).
- The area around the village is not Green Belt except for the Western end.

#### **GS3.1**

- I would like to indicate my interest in using an allotment in the village and to offer my time to help organise this if appropriate – Jane Herbert, 72a Ground Corner.
- Encourage the use of 'unwanted' gardens as vegetable plots?