

Comments Submitted by Respondents (1)

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Q4: How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the following facilities in Long Marston and the surrounding area? Please add any comments on the facilities listed above.
A play space (playing field or park) that could be accessed without children having to walk along the main road would be a real benefit to the village
Due to excessive building, schools have become inaccessible, resulting in children having to attend schools undesired
Enjoy easy access to Stratford via the Greenway
Good to have a community run shop and friendly villagers
Poppin is an important element of the community 'hub' and needs the continuing support of the villagers
Some informal/formal sports & leisure facilities especially for children/youth would make a big difference. Pub, shop and access to greenway etc are excellent
The beautiful characterful village enjoys a quaint, relatively unspoilt, nature whilst already having flexed to encompass several building sites in recent times, including Meon, Airfield and others
The pub serves as a focal point for the community. The rear opens out onto countryside which enables families to really enjoy the countryside where they have small or no garden.
There seems little for children locally which is not a problem for me personally but I can imagine that it is for young families
Too much building on land, no playground for young children or grandchildren
Would be good to have a proper park. The one at Barley Fields is tiny. This is a MUST in the village

Q4: Over the short term (next 5 years) what improvements do you feel should be undertaken to any of the facilities listed above? Please list here any other facilities you would like to see.
A play space (playing field or park) that could be accessed without children having to walk along the main road would be a real benefit to the village
Hopefully when the open space on Lagan development is completed we will have access to some sort of sports facilities
I think there should be a park or a playing field in the village for children. Please put a limit on any more developments. I think the village is at capacity with the facilities it has.
I'd be content to keep as is with road/potholes repaired & relative council tax increases included
If financially viable, the new village hall next to the new open space
Lighting on main road; speed bumps on main road
New village hall with multiple rooms or ability to section off large room so can cater to various size groups or meetings would also allow multiple events to occur.
Slowing measurers of the traffic speed as set up in Lower Quinton - this is extremely important.
Tennis courts please
Youth club and children's play area. Bus service later in the day

Q5: How frequently do you use private transport (car, van, motorcycle) for the following? If you wish to comment on transport, please do so in the box below.
A more frequent bus service would encourage more to use, particularly if times improved; a bus service extension link into Meon vale/LMA services would be welcome
Traffic calming measures are vital; speeding through the village is a problem
We rely on our car for transport

Q6a: What are your general concerns about parking (your own and others' parking) in Long Marston? Other
Cars parked on the road and traffic moving too quickly through the village causing a danger
Cars parking on the main road

Q6b: Please comment below on the concerns you have ticked in the question above on parking.
Apart from the pub, there is no real parking so that people will park anywhere to attend the village hall or use the shop
Damage to verge; obstruction of pavements for disabled and buggies; visitors parking on the road slow the idiots down
E.g. 1: visitors using village hall - nowhere to park; 2: Vehicles driving through village at high speed narrowing missing parked vehicles
Future developments should leave space for visitor parking and 4+ bed homes need 3 spaces
Lack of parking for village hall. Inconsiderate parking on pavement causing those with prams/pushchairs/wheelchairs to walk into road. Damage to grass verges by cars/vans/lorries.
Parking on pavements blocks access to buggies/wheelchairs necessitating walking in the road
Parking on verges: you only have to look at the verges to see the awful damage that has been done
This is not a problem in Long Marston
Verges in village centre are being trashed & look unsightly; parking on pavements of concern where inadequate space left for wheel/pushchairs to pass; Greenway advertised (WCC) car park does not exist and need formal parking area established

Q16: If the fields/land you believe are suitable for future housing are in the Neighbourhood Plan area, but NOT shown on the map in Q15, then please describe their location and mark them on the map below.
Land to the south and east of Doctor Farm with frontage to Station Road and behind 'The Barn' Antiques site
Long Marston must be very near the limit of building of new development
No more houses within village and surrounding area

Comments Submitted by Respondents (2)

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Q19: What priorities should the Neighbourhood Plan have in protecting the quality of the environment? Other
I came to live in the 'village' of Long Marston because it was a lovely 'village'. It has become a 'town' and on its way to becoming a 'city'. Tragic! Let Binton have its share.
Roads/access/safety for villagers walking etc
You would protect the environment if you stopped building houses

Q22: Please select which views (if any) you value and believe need protecting when/if new developments are being considered. Please write in the new view number(s) and the reason(s) for protection in the box below. If the view you consider important is not shown on the map, please draw an arrow directly on to the map below.
1,2,3,6,7: All these views represent Long Marston. A rural village in a rural setting with open views to stunning countryside, should be preserved at any cost. We are able to see sunrise and sunset from these unhindered views.
1-7: keep all the views. The reason we moved to this village is to live in a village, not a housing estate!
2 - big reason I bought my house
2 - development next to Perry Orchard would mean too large an area of new build which would ruin the village feel and views
3 - beautiful views to Meon
3 - I look at it every day, it fills me with calm, good for mental health; 6 (they mean 8 - drawn in on map) - fantastic view to watch the sunset, view of the village coming down Rumer Hill especially the row of poplar trees.
3 - The only view towards rising land along the Cotswold escarpment. The other views are towards largely flat countryside; 4/5 - the church is the best and most obvious architectural feature of the village and views of it should be affected by new development
3 & 8 (drawn in - view over Greenway towards Quinton & Ilmington): The sunrise in the morning over the hills to the East is spectacular and we have unbroken views this way in the village today. 4: The church marks the entrance to the village in a traditional/classic way.
3,4,5: to maintain a separation between our village and Station Rd development
3,4,5: to preserve the village as a separate community and maintain the open and unimpeded rural views
3,6,7
3,6,7: Rural village which needs continuing rural feel
3,8 stunning, unique views
3: Beautiful view over ridge & furrow fields; 5: village approach to the church is framed by big old trees and houses; 6: view from the pub garden is very special & a big draw for customers in summer. It's also the only communal garden with a nice view
3: to maintain the separation of the village from the new development on Station Road
4&5 - church needs to be seen; 6 - nice view
4: Clear view of tower & setting of Long Marston in historic context with view of church on approach; 6: Maintains rural character with unbroken views towards Dorsington, linking up to the Heart of England Forest; 7: Uninterrupted views over to Bredon hill, abundant wildlife
4: for open views of a key village and local history feature i.e. church and setting; 6&7: for stunning open views and sunsets throughout the year seen from residential and public open space & paths
6 - pub is a real asset to the community & its success should be valued and protected
6 - the sunsets are always good
6 - this view is accessible to all; 3
6 - what a perfect view when sat in pub garden
6: Protect sunset view from pub. It brings in visitors and good for the pub & shop
6: This is important to support visitors to the village and as this ensures a profitable pub, which contributes so much to the village community
7: Love the views over fields especially sunset & deer running; 6 - love to sit at back of the pub looking over countryside and sunset; 1 - lovely to see view of hill as you exit the village and fields; 2 - need to preserve this view & footpaths in order to feel 'rural'; 3 - beautiful sunrise when walking here & view of hill. We moved to a rural village to have rural views & easy access to countryside
7: View to the distance, often see wildlife in view and sunset; 6: as with 7; 4: view of church as you enter village; 8: highlighted as a separate number as this view has already disappeared
I value all views, particularly those that are visible when driving through the village i.e. 1,4,5. And 2,3,6 depending on where you live
Number 6 - some residents have little or no garden. The Mason's Arms offers some semblance of rural view allowing a country element to be retained in the village. Number 3 is probably the last and most enjoyed view. Remove that and the village would be urbanised. Number 4 - rural space in historic building set. Number 8 - green finger from main road to Greenway
Our view was important to us - now someone else has that view!
Prevent urbanisation (views 6&7 circled)
We have already lost the view of Meon Hill from the Brickall development. More infill will only make this worse with loss of the last few green spaces within the village

Q30: Are you intending to stay living in Long Marston for more than five years? If no, then please comment below on why you are likely to move away.
If houses are built behind me, losing the countryside view I have enjoyed for 34 years, I will move away.
Long Marston has had far more than its share of development! It is hardly recognisable as the lovely village I moved to years ago! Any more development - I shall leave!
Long Marston is sadly no longer the village it was. I am fed up with the speeding traffic on the main road where I live.
Need a large property and new, more children facilities - Park!
Not if building continues at the rate it is. It is destroying the area. Would move now if possible
Relocation for family reasons
Retirement plans to move to coast
Road too busy - all the developments