

Stutton Parish Infrastructure Investment Plan (PIIP) November 2019

Existing Infrastructure Audit

Stutton is a hinterland village. Table A below shows the infrastructure underpinning the local community.

Public/passenger transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 92 bus service from Ipswich to Manningtree: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recently reduced timetable (October 2019) ○ Morning service does not enable students to get to college easily ○ Service finishes early evening ○ Weekend service poor ○ Not wheelchair accessible ▪ Nearest taxi service from Manningtree or Ipswich, but relatively expensive
Roads/pavements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pavements do not allow people to move from end of the village to the other without crossing the road ▪ Pavements not wide enough to allow wheelchairs/buggies/pushchairs along without dropping into the road in places – i.e. near to the Hall/Shop ▪ Parking on pavements can be an issue for pedestrians ▪ Still a lack of appropriately placed dropped kerbs ▪ The Speedwatch team continues to capture a relatively high level of speeding vehicles through the village ▪ The SID confirms a high volume of traffic through the village and records some very high speeds ▪ Traffic levels high from 7.45am to 8.45am and at school closing time ▪ There are no effective traffic calming measures ▪ Although weekend cyclists and cycle clubs come through the village, local residents who are occasional cyclists can find the volume of traffic and manoeuvring past cars parked on the main road intimidating
Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Library us comes to the village once a month <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It is not wheelchair accessible ○ Some distance to walk from the western end of village so use generates vehicle movements
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stutton Primary School – 43 pupils (doubled in number in last two years). Rated as ‘Good’ by Ofsted ▪ Stutton Young Explorers – increasingly successful early years childcare. Facilities being upgraded ▪ Toddler Group – weekly morning session at Community Hall. Run by parent volunteers

<p>Open Space</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Publicly accessible green space behind the Hall/Shop with a a community wood including Canham's Wood adjacent <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recent planning application for 14 dwellings will reduce the area of the football pitch by 50%. ▪ Small Village Green opposite the Kings Head ▪ Allotments in Catts Close
<p>Community & Leisure Facilities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stutton Community Hall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Well used by a variety of village and external groups both for leisure and more official purposes ▪ Stutton School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hall available for hire ○ Children's Playground – not open during school hours ▪ Stutton Explorers located in the grounds of the school provides wraparound care for children aged from 6 months. Opening hours 8.00am to 6.00pm every week day ▪ St Peter's Church <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Weekly services, weddings, christenings, funerals ○ Flexible East End facility ▪ Easy access to footpaths in the AONB and down to the Estuary for Stutton Ness, Holbrook Creek and elsewhere ▪ Alton Water – water sports, fishing, cycle hire, crazy golf, walking, dog-walking, children's play area <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Perhaps not within easy walking distance for people at the west end of the village. ○ Very popular with visitors. ▪ Golf Course at RHS ▪ Bus shelters (3) ▪ Cycle racks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ At Community Hall ○ At Community Shop ▪ Oak House Extra Care Housing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ An important part of our infrastructure in that it enables local residents whose housing is no longer suitable for their needs, and who might require some assistance with daily living so as to remain in the village. ○ Staff are not able to provide assistance to those who require it in order to remain connected to the community, to shop, or to drive people to vital medical, dental and other appointments. This is provided, to some extent, by volunteers Stutton Support Network (local Good Neighbour Scheme) ▪ Mobile 'Support' bus that comes to the Shop/Hall
<p>Retail</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stutton Community Shop <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New building (2018) ○ Has a small, self-service café with free WIFI which is popular and well used ○ Serves local shoppers, walkers, visitors to Alton Water and others passing through the village ○ Provides a weekly delivery service to Oak House ▪ Two Pubs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kings Head (not wheelchair accessible) ○ The Gardeners Arms ▪ Hair Salon – Looking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Not wheelchair accessible ▪ Vet – Orwell Veterinary Practice. ▪ Café, bike hire available at Alton Water ▪ Campsite at Alton Water

Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Internet connectivity is good ▪ Mobile Phone Reception <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Currently very poor ○ Awaiting connection of the mobile phone mast to the grid. ▪ Telephone box <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Still active pending phone mast connection
Environment (waste, infrastructure)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bottle Banks at Kings Head ▪ Dog bins
Medical	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Defibrillators <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Outside Community Hall ○ At Oak House ▪ Village First Responder
Employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Retail as above (except volunteer-run shop) ▪ Business units at Manor Farm, Bentley Lane, Holly Farm ▪ Stutton Hall Farms ▪ Sole Traders ▪ Small Businesses ▪ Home Workers ▪ Holiday Lets

2. External infrastructure audit

Identifying the services and facilities outside of the PIIP area used by the community.

Public/passenger transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Shotley to Ipswich (connecting at Holbrook) ▪ Train <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Manningtree (linked to 92 bus), mainline Norwich-London line ▪ Taxi service from Manningtree or Ipswich ▪ Community Transport <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ In theory, Hadleigh Community Transport is contracted by Suffolk County Council to provide a community transport service to our village. In practice, this is generally not available at the times people have wanted it and, in addition, the service will only transport people from one bus stop to another and the driver will not provide any assistance. By the time older residents can no longer drive they are unlikely to be able to get to a bus stop easily and may also require some assistance. Stutton has a disproportionate number of older people and numbers are likely to increase in the coming years.
Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Manningtree, Capel St Mary and other Suffolk libraries

Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Puddleducks Nursery ▪ Holbrook Academy ▪ East Bergholt High School ▪ Royal Hospital School ▪ Suffolk One ▪ Colchester Sixth Form College ▪ University of Suffolk ▪ Colchester Institute ▪ Otley College
Health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holbrook/Shotley GP Practice • Ipswich Hospital • Dentists at Manningtree, Capel St Mary & Ipswich
Open Space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Reade Field, Holbrook
Community & Leisure Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holbrook Sports Centre • Royal Hospital School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Holbrook Swim ○ Sports pitches for Holbrook Hornets • The Ipswich School, Chelmondiston <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Swimming Club
Environment (waste, infrastructure)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lawford Recycling Centre • Chelmondiston Recycling Centre

3. Community Infrastructure needs

The 'Big Conversation' about the village and what local residents see as a preferred future – and of which the Neighbourhood Plan has been part – has identified a number of key priorities:

1. Improved pedestrian pavements and cycle routes
2. Traffic calming measures and improved parking on village roads
3. Substantial modernisation and enhancement of Community Hall Facilities
4. Improved Green Space and Children's Play Facilities
5. Support for eco-friendly ventures and development
6. Further reduction of social isolation
7. Support for young people in the village and creation of a hub/better access to facilities and events
8. Support for local sole traders/home workers and small businesses
9. Improved Community Transport

In addition, two local voluntary organisations are looking to merge to create a new overarching Community Interest Group which would pull together and coordinate their activities and potentially extending to include the work of a number of other existing groups thus rationalising focus and energy so as to ensure that the local community enjoys the best benefit from facilities and resources. Such a development would mean support for the power to:

10. Develop and drive community action projects such as an Eco-Village project
11. Enable and develop opportunities to expand the potential for people to work from the village, and reduce the need for commuting or travelling

12. Support and develop initiatives within the village targeted at health and wellbeing

13. Provide activities and opportunities for young people in the village

4. Community Engagement

This section outlines how we have sought the views of the community and how they have helped to inform current and future needs.

Consultations as part of the 'Big Village Conversation' which included consultation on the emerging Neighbourhood Plan:

- Two well-supported public consultations held at the Village Hall
- Tea Parties/Focus Groups held for different parts of the village
- Circulation of regular 'Big Conversation' Newsletters and opportunities for response/feedback
- Feedback online and via 'ideas/comments' boxes located in the Community Shop and Community Hall
- Meetings held with village business and sole traders
- Open Working Group Meetings
- Open session at the Annual Parish Meeting in April 2019

5. Expected Growth

Location, size and timing of development sites. Impacts these will have on community needs.

Location & Application reference	Number of dwellings	Details
Church Road – B/17/00950	34	Includes 8 affordable homes and 3 shared ownership
The Old Telephone Exchange, Holbrook Road – DC/17/03445	1	Detached dwelling
Land behind village hall – DC/17/02111	14	Includes 5 affordable dwellings
Land opp. School – B/17/00406	6	
The Hillarys, Manningtree Road – DC/19/02220	1	
Tawnys, Lower Street – DC/17/06310	1	
Stutton Methodist Church – DC/18/04522	1	Conversion of Chapel to one dwelling
58 approved		
DC/19/00292	6	Affordable – Rural Exception site

Planning applications agreed or in the pipeline will result in a total of 64 dwellings: a 16% increase on the current size of our village. This will lead to an increase in cars coming in and out of the village as Stutton is so badly served by public and community transport. The village's population of older people is projected to increase. It is hoped, however, that new developments (particularly the 34% affordable housing in the pipeline) will lead to more families with young children moving into the village. This will

increase the need to calm traffic through the village, create safe ways to traverse the village on foot, maintain community activities, and for better public transport.

6. Projected Income

The following is a list of income from all sources including external grants, CIL and Section 106 monies.

Amount	Source	Details
£100,000 (range £90-120,000)	CIL	Estimated CIL funds based on 'expected growth' without a Neighbourhood Plan in place. Estimations vary according to square metrage of dwellings.
£25,000	Donation	To parish council from Henry Strutt.

7. Stutton's investment priorities

The following list of priorities has been ordered according to consultation with the village:

1. Pedestrian Movement:
 - a. Improvements to pavements in the village such as widening and additional pedestrian crossing points, solving of drainage problems which can lead to pedestrians being soaked
 - b. Establishment of a new 'Greenway' as part of dedicated pedestrian and cycle routes away from traffic
2. Vehicles:
 - a. Traffic calming and speed reduction
 - b. Improved parking schemes especially near the School and Post Office Corner
3. Substantial modernisation and improvement of the Community Hall including:
 - a. A 'Business Hub' for local business use
 - b. Small meeting space
 - c. Enhanced production/theatre space
 - d. A secure open space patio/garden
 - e. Upgrading the power supply so as to provide car charging points
 - f. Equipment for maintaining the grounds around the Community Hall and Community Shop
4. Improved facilities on the playing field behind the Shop/Community Hall

