

Summary of Comments to Conservation Area Appraisal Questionnaire

Question 1 Do you agree with boundary changes?

Yes – 27 No – 9

Additional comments

Respondent	Comments	Officer response
Dr S Mayor	Recommend inclusion of Cuckfield Park and properties on High Street, churchyard, allotments, Rose and Crown, pavements up to Whitemans Green.	<p>Cuckfield Park – has a very specific character and relationship with the surrounding countryside. The buildings and their setting are protected by listed building status. The area is also within the Countryside Area of Development Restraint and the High Weald AONB which protect the area from development. The Park is quite separate from the conservation area and its inclusion would result in large areas of open land being included. It is considered that Cuckfield Park is very different in character to that of the existing conservation area and enjoys a high degree of protection through a variety of existing designations. No change.</p> <p>Pavements up to Whitemans Green – Whilst it is understood why this has been suggested it is considered that it would not be appropriate to include large areas of pavement within the conservation area which do not have any relationship to the overall conservation area. No change.</p> <p>Rose and Crown – The Rose and Crown is a listed building which enjoys protection in its own right. The building is separate from the existing conservation area and could not be included without significantly extending the boundary to include modern housing. This would dilute the historical character and appearance of the conservation area and produce an artificial extension of the boundary. No change.</p> <p>Church Yard allotments – The allotments are located outside the built up area boundary and are protected by the countryside designation. Their inclusion would not enhance the character of the conservation area. No change.</p>

<p>Mr M Thomas</p>	<p>In principle I fully agree with the concept of protection and enhancement of the existing conservation area.</p> <p>However as part of this review I believe that the conservation area should be extended to include additional properties such as Vine Cottages. These are Grade II listed with origins from around 1680. These properties are of historical and architectural merit and should be included. For example, there are only 8 other houses in Cuckfield with hanging tiles such as those on this property.</p>	<p>These comments are noted.</p> <p>Agree. Vine Cottages are listed buildings and are contiguous with the existing boundary of the conservation area. They are of similar architectural and historic character as other buildings in the conservation area and should be included in order to rationalise the overall character of the conservation area. Amend boundary to include Vine Cottages.</p>
<p>Mr D Dickson</p>	<p>With regard to Cuckfield Park House and adjoining land, the Council could approach present owners for their opinion on including this area. Merging the conservation area with the AONB has win-win gains for protecting this land from development. This reinforces and consolidates the lands protection regime in a mutal back-to-back arrangement.</p> <p>The proposed deletion of two areas to the north of the High Street does not impoverish the conservation area status as these two areas have no significant special architectural and historic elements. Areas have experienced infill development and further development is likely.</p>	<p>Cuckfield Park House – see above.</p> <p>As part of the early consultation on the conservation area appraisal it was suggested that the existing boundary of the conservation area should be amended to exclude areas where more modern infill development has occurred. The suggestion was to exclude the modern estate of Leyton Lea from the conservation area and the adjoining properties to the north of this of Howdean and Oaklands North. It was proposed to that the southern side of the access road into Leyton Lea around Cuckfield House would mark the northern limit of the conservation area. However a number of responses to the questionnaire have expressed concern regarding excluding Oaklands North and Howdean and have requested that the boundary is extended to also include the listed Vine Cottages and others have requested that the boundary is extended further to also include Meadowlands. In light of the number of these requests, that the properties have historic character and that they adjoin the existing conservation area, it is considered that the boundary should be extended to include these properties. Amend Boundary of Conservation Area to include Vine Cottages and Meadowlands. The boundary will be drawn so that Leyton Lea is still excluded but these properties are included.</p>

Mrs DJ Raeburn	I agree Leyton Lea should be excluded but include 2 houses in High Street on north side of entrance and 2 cottages next door (Tudor interior)	See comments above regarding inclusion of Howdean, Oaklands North, Vine Cottages and Meadowlands.
Miss T Comrie	Leyton Lea should be excluded: Howdean, Oaklands North and Vine Cottages need to remain included in the conservation area.	See comments above regarding inclusion of Howdean, Oaklands North, Vine Cottages and Meadowlands.
Mr S Mitchell	At the north end of the High Street I would agree with excluding part of Leyton Lea, but the 4 or 5 older houses on the High Street including Vine Cottage South should be included as they are of historic interest.	See comments above regarding inclusion of Howdean, Oaklands North, Vine Cottages and Meadowlands.
Mrs C Collins	Recreation ground should be included.	Agreed. This area is suggested for inclusion in the proposed boundary changes section of the Conservation Area Appraisal in light of its historical associations and attractive appearance.
Cuckfield Society	<p>Recommend the inclusion of Cuckfield Park and its surroundings, pavements on the High Street, both sides until they reach Whitemans Green Conservation Area, Dr Todds house, Worth Cottage, Montrose and Lunces (now Fern House) on the northeast side of the High Street.</p> <p>Rose and Crown Pub and churchyard allotments adjoining land and graveyard extension.</p> <p>Consideration should be given to including the following properties in London Road: Brinkley Lodge, Knowle Lodge, and Tower House within the conservation area.</p>	<p>Cuckfield Park – see above. Pavement up to Whitemans Green – see above. Rose and Crown Pub and Dr Todds House (surgery) - these listed building are protected in their own right. They are separate from the existing conservation area and could not be included without extending the boundary to include modern housing. This would dilute the historical character and appearance of the conservation area and produce an artificial extension of the boundary. No change.</p> <p>Brinkley Lodge, Knowle Lodge, Tower House, Worth Cottage Montrose, Lunces (now Fern House) – These buildings are quite separate from the existing conservation area and could not be included without extending the boundary to include modern housing. This would dilute the historical character and appearance of the conservation area and produce an artificial extension of the boundary. No change.</p> <p>Allotments. The allotments are not considered to be particularly attractive or historic in character and do not contribute to the character of the conservation area. No change.</p> <p>Graveyard extension – although adjacent to the original graveyard, the extension is a more recent addition and therefore does not have the same historic character as the main graveyard and is not considered suitable for inclusion within the conservation area. No change</p>

Colin Sewell – Rutter	Boundary should be extended to include land down to the by-pass.	This area is protected by countryside policies. The land is important in views from the conservation area and in terms of its relationship with the boundaries of the conservation area, contributing to its setting. However it is not considered appropriate to include large areas of open countryside within the conservation area. No change.
Cuckfield Parish Council	The parish agrees that Leyton Lea should be excluded, however Oaklands Cottages North and Vine Cottage North and South should be retained within area.	Noted. Oakland Cottage – see above Vine Cottages – see above

Question 2 What are the special features of the Conservation Area that contribute to its character and appearance?

Respondent	Comments	Officer response
Dr S Mayor	All special features contribute to special character of Cuckfield.	Noted. The appraisal has attempted to identify what is special about the Cuckfield Conservation Area.
Mr M Thomas	The building styles and original materials are valued as well as good maintenance of the properties in the street scene.	Noted. These comments support the conclusions drawn in the appraisal.
Mr D Dickson	The houses in South Street/ High Street/ Ockenden Lane are of varied age, some before 1700's and are proxy of the building style and fabric prevailing in the 17 th , 18 th and 19 th centuries. The external fabric of houses has changed little, and many have listed building status. Diversity of construction styles is visually striking, which adds significant aesthetic appeal to the village centre and contrasts with the monotony of more modern development.	Agree. The appraisal has been amended to further reinforce the importance of the diversity of construction styles.
Mr R Crouch	Nice old buildings and surrounding open countryside.	These comments are noted and support the conclusions drawn in the appraisal.
Mr Burstow	The historical nature of Cuckfield Village contributes to its character and appearance. New buildings would spoil the nature of the village.	Noted. This supports the conclusions drawn in the appraisal. Whilst there are limited opportunities for new development in the conservation area there may be scope for some small scale high quality modern development.
Mr Westbury	The area around the Church, Church Street, South Street, Ockenden Lane, the whole character of the area is important.	Noted. These comments support the conclusions drawn in the appraisal.
Mr N Rowe	Every view has a focus, the materials are colourful and natural, the pavements are brick and link the views.	Agree. The appraisal has been amended to reinforce the importance of viewpoints, materials and pavements linking the views in the section on General Character and Plan Form.
Dr B Dolan	Period character should be retained and it is very important to replace modern lamppost tops with an appropriate style.	Agree. One of the enhancement proposals is to repair and where necessary replace streetlights with a design sympathetic to the conservation area.

Mr Rice	The wide range of character buildings most being sympathetically restored. The open space and natural area should be protected at all costs.	Noted. The importance of open space is highlighted in the appraisal.
Mrs DJ Raeburn	Although, I live in the illustrated house in Courtmead Road I agree with the gardens being included to protect this land.	Agree. This supports the suggested proposal to extend the boundaries of the conservation area to include the gardens of the properties in Courtmead Road.
Miss T Comrie	Diversity of buildings spanning the centuries and the amount of open space i.e. rec/allotments/open fields). Most valued is how Cuckfield represents the centuries.	Noted. These comments support the conclusions drawn in the appraisal.
Mr PR Chandler	The variation of buildings styles representing many years of history gathered together in a unique area. Local life is centred around the Church, the Old School, and Queens Hall, the High Street shops and White Harte Inn. The Recreation Ground and the surrounds should be or preserved as it is.	Noted. These comments support the conclusions drawn in the appraisal.
Mr S Mitchell	Buildings with historic value, layout and setting of buildings and the street scene.	Noted. These comments support the conclusions drawn in the appraisal.
Mrs C Collins	The special features –such as ancient buildings, wide pavements, trees, views to the Downs.	Noted. These comments support the conclusions drawn in the appraisal.
Mr P Negus	Particular building traditions and materials.	Noted. These comments support the conclusions drawn in the appraisal.
Mr and Mrs Boyer	Coming from 3 generations of Cuckfield families it is the building traditions and patterns of local life that make Cuckfield what it is today and should be preserved.	Noted. These comments support the conclusions drawn in the appraisal.
Mr RR Hall	The buildings in the main and the fact that owners look after them and preserve their appearance. The parish council is a good influence in this respect and is careful regarding any changes. The shop area of the High Street is let down by the appearance of the Talbot Inn and by the Co-op super market which is the subject of comment by the Cuckfield Society. I would not wish to see any change to the appearance of Courtmead Road. It is a very pleasant area.	Whilst it is agreed that many owners do look after their properties, there have been some unsympathetic changes. The section on proposals for enhancement encourages a high standard of design in the conservation area, that the co-op shop frontage and the appearance of the Talbot Inn are improved.
Mrs S Vinal	The churchyard, view from the churchyard, availability of open countryside both visually and by public footpath are particularly valued.	Noted. These comments support the conclusions drawn in the appraisal.
Miss A Glauser	I think the old houses; the Church and South Street are very special (although affected by cars). A 20mph zone in the village is required to slow down traffic.	Agree. The need to look at a scheme to slow down traffic and enhance the street scene has been included as one of the proposals for enhancement.
Cuckfield Society	All the special features (building traditions and materials, patterns of local life, open spaces, landscaping.) Visual availability of open countryside from almost everywhere in the village, ease of access by footpath to the countryside, tranquillity afforded by the churchyard with its magnificent views towards the Downs, brick pavements, 'higgledy pigdledy' appearance of the building throughout the conservation area.	Agree. The appraisal has been amended where appropriate to reinforce further the qualities referred to.
Miss S Gilpin	Historic and listed buildings forming the core of the village, the church yard which provides an oasis of tranquillity with views to the downs, attractive visual setting with paths criss crossing the village leading directly into open countryside.	Agree. The appraisal has been amended where appropriate to reinforce these qualities.
Colin Sewell –	The whole conjunction of different architectural styles dating from the 11 th century onwards is	Noted. These comments support the conclusions drawn

Rutter	remarkable and deserves protection.	in the appraisal.
Cuckfield Parish Council	Values diversity, linear development, high density, roofscapes, width of High Street and brick pavements. The framing of views through to the church from different aspects in the village is a very important feature that must be retained.	Agree. The appraisal has been amended where appropriate to reinforce further the qualities referred to by the parish council.
Mr Blunden	All old buildings to be retained, new building to be in keeping with traditions and materials used in Sussex.	Noted. These comments support the conclusions drawn in the appraisal.
Mrs D Mackenzie	Open spaces, buildings.	Noted. These comments support the conclusions drawn in the appraisal.

Question 3 Is there anything causing harm to the character and appearance of the Conservation Area?

Respondent	Comments	Officer response
Dr S Mayor	<p>Too much traffic and heavy vehicles, delivery lorries obstructing High Street. Modern/messy/ out of keeping shop fronts</p> <p>No further planning permission to be granted e.g. New Ockenden Manor development.</p> <p>Concerned about possible development on triangle of land to north of By-Pass</p>	<p>Agree. Proposals to mitigate the impact of traffic and deliveries in the High Street and South Street and the need to improve poor shopfronts are included within the section of the appraisal on proposals for enhancement. Proposals for new development in the conservation area will need to be considered in relation to current planning policies and once adopted the guidance in the conservation area appraisal.</p> <p>Land to the north of the by-pass is protected by countryside designations. This land has been suggested by a developer as a potential housing site as part of the small scale housing site consultation. However this suggestion has been rejected by the Council.</p>
Mr M Thomas	Lack of adequate planning control causes harm. Too often work is carried which is inappropriate and unsympathetic to the surroundings. There is need to retain the original character of the street scene. Cost impact is seen to be the biggest threat. Need more incentive financially to maintain the conservation area. The amount of on-road parking is definitely an eyesore	<p>The appraisal will provide further guidance for development control officers on appropriate materials and design in the conservation area.</p> <p>Proposals to mitigate the impact of traffic in the conservation area are included within the appraisal in the section on proposals for enhancement.</p>
Mr D Dickson	Unsympathetic choice of materials for repair of buildings. E.g. repointing with cement mortars rather than lime. Applicants should submit samples for all works. Prior consultation with planning officers should be carried out for all works to buildings, street furniture etc. MSDC should maintain an active list of suppliers of traditional materials.	<p>Agree. In the section on proposals for enhancement the use of traditional materials such as lime mortars will be specified and prior consultation encouraged. Information sheets could be prepared on alterations and repairs in conservation areas, lime mortars and suppliers of traditional building materials.</p>
Mr R Crouch	Car parking is a problem but there is no obvious solution to this.	<p>Agree. The Council through the appraisal process is consulting on possible solutions to this problem.</p>

	The threatened over development of Ockenden Manor will have a major detrimental impact on the entire area.	Possible suggestions are included in the section of the appraisal on proposals for enhancement. The planning application relating to Ockenden Manor will be considered in relation to current planning policies and its affect on the character of the conservation area.
Mr Burstow	The closure and conversion of public houses to residential flats i.e. Kings Head (Historic Building) causes harm to the conservation area. Cars often block the fronts of pavements and cars are parked on double yellow lines. There is no policing of this.	Agree. The Council seeks within its powers to prevent the closure of pubs, however in some cases this unavoidable. New parking enforcement measures came into force across the District in January 2006. These should aid this problem.
Mr Westbury	Non enforcement of existing parking restrictions, weight limits, and the village being used as a rat run by vast amounts of traffic. Enforce these restrictions and add one narrowing / one-way priority at southern and northern entrances to village or make south street one-way.	New parking enforcement measures came into force across the District in January 2006. These should aid this problem. As part of the enhancement proposals for the conservation area, traffic management proposals are suggested.
Mr N Rowe	WSCC highways department replaced all the pavements in the 80's but started using concrete blocks as replacements – local protest did persuade them to return to brick for the remainder, but the outer lengths in Broad Street were lost. Can these pavements be protected?	Agree. It is suggested in the conservation area appraisal that the boundary of the conservation area be extended to include the pavements on the northern side of Broad Street. The section in the appraisal on proposals for enhancement will be amended to refer to the protection of the brick pavements and repairs to be carried out using brick.
Dr B Dolan	The new bollards in South Street are a good idea but poorly executed. Need traffic calming. Warden Park buses should use the by-pass.	Agree. As part of the enhancement proposals for the conservation area, traffic management proposals and improvements to the street scene are suggested.
Mr Rice	There appears to be a lack of consistency as to parking enforcement. The level of traffic through the village detracts from its appearance and enjoyment by all.	Agree. The section on proposals for enhancement in the appraisal refers to taking enforcement action where there have been illegal alterations. It also refers to traffic management proposals.
Mrs DJ Raeburn	Some of the shop fronts in the High Street detract from the conservation area.	Agree. The section of the appraisal on proposals for enhancement encourages the improvement of the appearance of shopfronts.
Miss T Comrie	The former computer shop at the roundabout with Broad Street detracts from the conservation area.	The section of the appraisal on proposals for enhancement encourages the improvement of the appearance of shopfronts. However this property has now been reoccupied by a clothes shop and is no longer vacant.

Mr PR Chandler	Parking is a problem. Certain shops need to be encouraged to be attractive visually thereby hopefully increasing customer interest. Future development outside the conservations area should produce potential new customers for the village. The Talbot Inn currently and the Indian Restaurant are out of character with the overall appearance of the conservation area.	The section of the appraisal on proposals for enhancement encourages the improvement of shopfronts and the need to assess the potential for additional car parking. The need to improve the appearance of shopfronts is recognised in the appraisal
Mr S Mitchell	I am not sure how 52 houses at Meadowlands bordering the conservation area sits with the value of conservation area. However more generally the conservation area works well and the parish council works well at preserving it.	A development brief for the Meadowlands site has been adopted which takes into account the nearby conservation area boundary.
Mrs C Collins	The shabby maintenance of buildings e.g. Talbot Inn detracts from the conservation area. The Co-op is a great asset to Cuckfield but has a most disappointing window/screening/display. Pavements are not wide enough for advertising boards so they should be banned. Hanging signs should be of an appropriate design such as the Mitchell's sign.	Agree. The section of the appraisal on proposals for enhancement encourages the improvement of the appearance of the Talbot Inn and the Co-op supermarket and also the appearance of shopfronts and signage in general.
Mr P Negus	Do not consider that there is anything specifically causing harm to the character and appearance of the conservation area.	Noted.
Mr and Mrs Boyer	Our lovely brick pavements in the upper part of the High Street are being destroyed by 4x4's parking on them. How about some bollards as recently put in South Street?	Lack of parking in the village is a problem identified by the appraisal and parking on the pavements causes harm to the appearance of the area. The proposals for enhancement seek to improve the appearance of the street scene and mitigate some of the impacts of traffic.
Mr RR Hall	The obvious difficulty concerns the car parking which is prevalent everywhere.	Agree. Lack of parking in the village is a problem identified by the appraisal. The proposals for enhancement section seek to identify possible solutions to the parking problems.
Mrs S Vinal	Shop fronts – Splash and Co-op in particular cause harm to the conservation area, as does inappropriate street furniture.	Agree. The section of the appraisal on proposals for enhancement encourages the improvement of the appearance of shopfronts and appropriate street furniture.
Miss A Glauser	Traffic speed particularly when people drive round the bend from South Street into the High Street and vice versa poor driving in and out of Church Street. Possible solutions could include slow down lights on approach to village and the provision of village gateways. There is no sign at the entrance to Church Street to warn that it is no through road and there is no room for turning. This area gets very congested and is dangerous when dropping off children at the Old School.	Agree. As part of the enhancement proposals for the conservation area, traffic management proposals and improvements to the street scene are suggested. Appropriate signage will be considered.
Cuckfield Society	Volume of traffic, HGV's through the village, parking on pavements, unsympathetic design of shop fronts, poor signing on business shop fronts, failure of owners to maintain their frontages – hedges, fence and verges, poor state of land between High Street and Broad Street car park. To prevent or reduce harm we need – clear guidelines to assist planning offices in dealing	Agree. These suggestions have been included in the section of the appraisal on proposals for enhancement. The appraisal should aid enforcement and provide further guidance to development control officers,

	with matters in the conservation area, strict compliance by developers, builders and others, avoid over development, ensure approved applications are not detrimental to the overall village setting, encourage property owners to appreciate and maintain the environment around their property, everyone to take a very sympathetic approach to the benefits derived from this unique and beautiful village, better parking facilities, restrict HGV using the high street, landscaping of the area between High Street and Broad Street Car Park.	developers and property owners.
Miss S Gilpin	The volume of traffic through the village and parking on the pavements, poor road surfaces in Church Platt and Ockenden Lane, the appearance and modern design of some of the shop fronts.	Agree. The section of the appraisal on proposals for enhancement sets out a number of proposals to reduce the impact of traffic, improve parking, road surfaces and the poor design of some shopfronts.
Colin Sewell – Rutter	Lack of parking and consequent fly – parking is a nightmare.	Agree. Ideas to improve parking provision are included within the appraisal.
Cuckfield Parish Council	The management of retail and commercial premises is a cause of concern. Better enforcement could improve the problem. Car parking is another issue that needs to be addressed.	Agree. The appraisal identifies the need to improve the appearance of some shop fronts and the problems caused by delivery lorries. Proposals to improve parking provision are included within the appraisal.
Mr Blunden	Co-op shop front is an eyesore, no more houses should be built.	The appraisal identifies the need to improve the appearance of the Co-op shopfront. There are limited opportunities for new development in the conservation area however there may be opportunities for some small scale infill but these would need to be of an exceptionally high standard.
Mrs D Mackenzie	Traffic is a problem in the conservation area.	Agree. Ideas to mitigate traffic impact are included within the appraisal.

Question 4 Do you agree with Ideas for enhancement?

Yes – 23 No – 2

Respondent	Comments	Officer response
Miss T Comrie	Except proposal for new car park see reasons set out below	Noted.
Colin Sewell – Rutter	With more imagination they could go much further. Ideas for improvements for Church Platt are included below in Section 5.	Noted.

Question 5 Do You have any additional ideas for enhancement?

Respondent	Comments	Officer response
Dr S Mayor	Install chain wall railings instead of bollards on west side of South Street and list the original chainwalk railings. Restore all brick pavements. Limit times of access for heavy goods vehicles. Replace modern street furnishings and design should be sympathetic to the conservation area.	Agree. Many of these suggestions are included in the proposals for enhancement and the suggestion for the listing of the chainwalk railings will be considered.
Mr M Thomas	The list in section 16.3 is extensive. To achieve just a small part of these would be seen to be a success.	Noted.
Mr D Dickson	MSDC should be consulted by WSCC concerning change, repair, replacement in the conservation area. The recent re-surface with tar macadam in Ockenden Lane was not aesthetic or congruous with conservation area status. The modern street lamp outside Friory in South Street should be substituted with a design consistent with the period age of the street. Double yellow lines on South Street pavements and elsewhere are blight on the landscape. Something should be done about the rat run through the High Street.	Agree. To implement many of the proposals for enhancement set out in the appraisal, the Council will need to work in partnership with the County Council and the Parish Council. The appraisal highlights the need for co-ordinated and appropriate improvements to the street scene including traffic management proposals.
Mr R Crouch	Reinforce AONB around Ockenden Manor. There are already too many vehicles and too much traffic. Is there any way of reducing traffic in this neighbourhood? The Ockenden Manor expansion will increase traffic movement.	AONB designation remains in place, supported by policies in the Mid Sussex Local Plan. The section of the appraisal on proposals for enhancement identifies the need for traffic management measures.
Mr Burstow	Placing of bollards (as positioned in South Street) to stop cars parking on double yellow lines and pavement i.e. outside the Kings Head.	New parking enforcement measures came into force across the District in January 2006. These should aid this problem of illegal parking however the appraisal identifies the need to improve parking provision in Cuckfield and the Council will work with its partners to see how this can be achieved.
Mr Westbury	Ensure appropriate use of materials and street furniture	Agree. See appraisal proposals for enhancement.
Mr PR Chandler	The existing car park should be available to shoppers and visitors (not long term) during the day and residents' overnight and there should be free parking.	Agree. The appraisal identifies the need to improve parking provision in Cuckfield and the Council will work with its partners to see how this can be achieved. The appropriate management of the existing car park will need to be considered.
Mrs C Collins	Railings painted more frequently. Encourage floral displays; finish street lighting with 'improved' standard lamps. Encourage new owners of properties in the conservation are and of listed buildings to maintain the character and appearance of their properties by issuing guidelines.	Agree. The appraisal identifies that there is a need to improve and maintain the street scene. Guidance could be issued for owners of properties in the conservation area on appropriate alterations and repairs.

Mr RR Hall	Yes, the present recycling site is inadequate, other places have sites near to shops.	Noted. This matter will be raised with the parish council and the recycling section of the District Council.
Mr C Vinall	No additional ideas for enhancement but the Council should obtain and use all possible powers available to permit and facilitate the effective enforcement of proposal for enhancement.	Noted. To implement many of the proposals for enhancement set out in the appraisal, the Council will need to work in partnership with the County Council and the Parish Council.
Miss A Glauser	Village gateways should be erected at the main entrance into the village e.g. South Street. It will draw the attention of motorists and help slow traffic.	The appraisal highlights the need for co-ordinated and appropriate improvements to the street scene including traffic management proposals to help slow down traffic.
Cuckfield Society	We strongly recommend that the 'chainwalk' railings be listed, remove the recently installed bollards from the west side of South Street and install chainwalk railings, restore all the brick pavements, replace pavements with concrete block and other surfaces with brick. Landscape the area between High Street and Broad Street car park. Replace modern street furnishings with a design sympathetic to the conservation area. Place restrictions on HGV's using the High Street and Broad Street for deliveries at times other than 6am – 8am, 10am – 11am and 5 – 7pm. Improve and maintain the appearance of the allotments adjacent to the churchyard.	The appraisal sets out ways to improve the street scene and this will need to be carried out in partnership with Parish and County Council. These suggestions will be included in the proposals for enhancement.
Miss S Gilpin	Reduce the amount of parking in Ockenden Lane (dependant on a successful outcome to Q6)	New parking enforcement measures came into force across the District in January 2006. These should aid this problem of illegal parking however the appraisal identifies the need to improve parking provision in Cuckfield and the Council will work with its partners to see how this can be achieved.
Colin Sewell - Rutter	The area of Church Platt is important in the village as it is the route that so many are 'hatched, matched and dispatched' in the Church. It is in frequent use for weddings, baptisms and funerals. It also provides access to the Cottage Homes almshouses and the Old School. However whilst the buildings bordering Church Platt have special character, the condition of the cul-de-sac is a disgrace. I and others would be willing to work in partnership to create an award winning streetscape. The road surface should be improved using high quality materials such as red tarmac or brick paviours and appropriate planting, residents only parking created, on street parking properly delineated and a space reserved for wedding vehicles and hearses.	Agree. The need to improve the appearance of Church Platt is recognised in the section of the appraisal on proposals for enhancement. The Council will need to work in partnership to implement an improvement scheme for this area.
Cuckfield Parish Council	The number of trees being felled and not replaced subsequently therefore it is suggested that the parish council undertakes a survey to identify trees requiring a Tree Preservation Order and consideration should be given to the planting of more trees in the High Street area.	Agree. Consent is required from the District Council to fell any trees in the conservation area. It would be very useful if the parish council undertook a comprehensive tree survey to identify the most important trees in the conservation area. The appraisal sets out ways to improve the street scene and this will need to be carried out in partnership with Parish and County Council.

		Additional tree planting could be one of the measures identified as part of the street scene improvements.
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Question 6 Do you think there is a need for more parking and any suggestions for location

Respondent	Comments	Officer response
Dr S Mayor	Yes, there is a need for additional parking.	The appraisal identifies the need to improve parking provision in Cuckfield and the Council will work with its partners to see how this can be best achieved. The responses to this questionnaire have put forward a number of suggestions on how parking can be improved and these will be investigated.
Mr M Thomas	Definitely need more parking in order to keep and maintain trade however not sure how it where this can be achieved.	Noted. See comments above.
Mr D Dickson	There is a shortage of public car parking spaces for visitors to the village centre shops and for residents (particularly in London Road, Ockenden Lane, South Street, Church Street.) The car park in Broad Street offers limited capacity, and is often full. Yellow lines are often violated. In a way the shortage of parking limits further development in centre of Cuckfield and this limitation itself, perversely, contributes to conserving the character of the conservation area.	The appraisal identifies the need to improve parking provision in Cuckfield and the Council will work with its partners to see how this can be best achieved through a number of measures include improved management of existing parking. The responses to this questionnaire have put forward a number of suggestions on how parking can be improved and these will be investigated.
Mr R Crouch	There is a need but there is no obvious location to place any car parking	Noted. See comments above.
Mr Burstow	An additional car park would need to be located in centre of village for shops but no space is available.	Noted. See comments above.
Mr Westbury	Yes there is a need. If you closed off the road going south out of the village you could park there.	Noted. See comments above.
Mr N Rowe	Surfacing in the three cul-de-sacs of Church Street, Vicarage Square and particularly Church Platt would provide additional parking space.	Noted. See comments above.
Dr B Dolan	There is no need for additional parking if it is ensured that the current car park is not used by commuters. Long stay passes should be issued to village workers and the rest of the car park should be short stay.	Noted. See comments above.
Mr Rice	I do not consider that there are any areas left for public parking, more consideration by those who do park would be welcome.	Noted. See comments above.
Mrs DJ Raeburn	Yes, land could be used at the Old Vicarage.	Noted. See comments above.
Mr D Seabrook	Yes there is a need. You have included the spaces in the Old School Car Park in your count of public parking spaces. Please note this is a private car park for use by people using the Old School or Church, from time to time we may lock the gate trapping 'illegal' parkers inside. Please remove the Old School from your count of public parking spaces.	Noted.
Miss T Comrie	No need for another car park, it would only encourage parking by Haywards Heath	Noted. This view will be taken into account in

	commuters, current street parking reduces speeding through the village.	consideration of proposals to improve the provision and management of parking in the village.
Mr B Wright	There is a definite need. Ideally extra parking space is best provided to the south of the village, suggestions include the site owned by MSDC at end of Courtmead Road next to grave yard, land between Ockenden Manor and Cuckfield Park subject to the sites being available.	Noted. The appraisal identifies the need to improve parking provision in Cuckfield and the Council will work with its partners to see how this can be best achieved through a number of measures include improved management of existing parking. The responses to this questionnaire have put forward a number of suggestions on how parking can be improved and these will be investigated.
Mr PR Chandler	Business people could park on the area behind nos 38 - 41 High Street which could be used for long-term parking. Business people could be offered a period ticket at a discounted price.	Noted. See comments above.
Mr S Mitchell	No additional car parking should be provided within the conservation area. Car parking if needed could be outside the historic centre.	Noted. This view will be taken into account in consideration of proposals to improve the provision and management of parking in the village.
Mrs C Collins	More parking is needed. The Spinning Field (owners Burrell Estate) could easily be screened and dug out. The spare land at the Old Vicarage next to existing car park could be used. However this could be expensive and the wall would need removing and rebuilding. Land at rear of Helme and Hallet (owned by Fox family) is a suggestion.	Noted. The appraisal identifies the need to improve parking provision in Cuckfield and the Council will work with its partners to see how this can be best achieved through a number of measures include improved management of existing parking. The suggestions put forward will be investigated.
Mr P Negus	Better signage to the existing car park in the recreation ground would encourage wider use.	Noted. This suggestion will be considered as part of the proposals to improve the management of the existing car parking in the village.
Mr and Mrs Boyer	More parking is needed. Broad Street has been taken over by people working in Cuckfield. People who want to shop and use the post office are unable to park. We will loose our shops if parking provision is not improved.	Noted. The appraisal identifies the need to improve parking provision in Cuckfield and the Council will work with its partners to see how this can be best achieved through a number of measures include improved management of existing parking. The responses to this questionnaire have put forward a number of suggestions on how parking can be improved and these will be investigated.
Mr RR Hall	Need for more car parking. Any additional parking needs to be central.	Noted. See comments above.
Mrs S Vinall	Meadowlands is a suggestion or the extension of recreation ground car park without widening the access please.	Noted. See comments above.
Mr C Vinall	Yes, extend the car park in recreation ground. Unfortunately, I feel the village shops and social facilities will close without adequate parking.	Noted. See comments above.
Miss A Glauser	Yes we have a problem with parking all day, it seems to be OK after 6pm. I want to be able to park near my home especially if I have shopping. Broad Street is as far as would want to walk	Noted. See comments above.

	from. It is a shame it can't be enlarged.	
Cuckfield Society	Yes, we suggest extension of the Broad Street car park using some of the large garden of the Old Vicarage, the creation of a new car park site off the High Street presently occupied by Helme and Hallet Ltd and the adjoining garden which extends down to the recreation ground and could be linked to the recreation ground car park.	Noted. See comments above.
Miss S Gilpin	Possibly extend Broad Street car park towards the Old Vicarage. Helme and Hallett yard would be very central if this could be negotiated.	Noted. See comments above.
Colin Sewell – Rutter	Yes, if extra parking is to be effective it must be handy, one option is land to the rear of Ockenden Manor.	Noted. See comments above.
Cuckfield Parish Council	The need for additional car parking is fully recognised by the parish council. It has not been possible to find a site.	Noted. See comments above.
Mr Blunden	The car park in the recreation ground could be extended with a new area created to the left of the entrance.	Noted. See comments above.
Mrs D Mackenzie	No more car parking is needed. More buses are needed.	Noted. This view will be taken into account in consideration of proposals to improve the provision and management of parking in the village.

Question 7 Any other comments?

Respondent	Comments	Officer response
Dr S Mayor	All special features contribute to special character of Cuckfield	Noted.
Mr M Thomas	Review is overdue and welcome a complete overhaul of current arrangements. However the main obstacles are cost implications, both on local authorities and individuals and under what mandate or authority can compliance and enforcement be effected?	Noted. To implement many of the proposals for enhancement set out in the appraisal, the Council will need to work in partnership with the County Council and the Parish Council. The findings of appraisal can be used to influence budgets.
Mr D Dickson	List of suppliers of traditional building materials would be very useful for those carrying out repairs or alterations to historic buildings.	This is a good suggestion and one of the out comes of the appraisal could be the preparation of information sheets on alterations and repairs in conservation areas, lime mortars and suppliers of traditional building materials.
Colette Collins	For the record Dr Annabelle Hughes has recently dated Church Twitten to mid 1600's no.1 has the original staircase. No.2 no longer has the modern flat roofed dormer windows. They were altered with listed planning permission in 2003 into hipped dormers and we think look much more in keeping.	Noted. The appraisal will be amended to take this information into account
Mr Burstow	There is no road and pavement sweeping under the Scotch Pine tree east side of South Street. Pine needles create a mess. Road sweeper cleans west side of South Street but not east.	Noted. This problem will be recounted to the cleansing section of the District Council.
Mr Westbury	Enforce the current conservation area regulations and restrictions, be tough on new	Noted. The appraisal highlights the need to address

	development and deal with traffic in a really effective way (coloured surfacing doesn't work).	these issues.
Mr N Rowe	The benefits of the conservation area should be published for new owners of residential properties and also shop tenants.	Agree. One of the out comes of the appraisal could be the preparation of information sheets for owners of properties on alterations and repairs in conservation areas, lime mortars and suppliers of traditional building materials.
Dr B Dolan	Well done on getting 'Splash' to renovate the awful whitewash	Agree.
Miss T Comrie	The exhibition is comprehensive and beautifully and clearly presented. Thank you for giving us an opportunity to voice our opinions / concerns. We must strive to retain the unique character of Cuckfield amid all attempts to pander to progress.	Noted.
Mr B Wright	The car park at the Old School adjacent to Holy Trinity Church access from Church Platt is a private car park, intended for users of the Church and Old School.	Noted
Mr S Mitchell	I very much welcome this conservation area appraisal and would suggest all residents in and near the conservation are should be kept informed. Your colleagues in development control should be consulted and encouraged to police your policies in practice.	Noted.
Mr RR Hall	The Queens Hall is well used but it has no parking. This ought to be addressed as it will not improve and will get worse with time.	Noted. The appraisal identifies the need to improve parking provision in Cuckfield and the Council will work with its partners to see how this can be best achieved through a number of measures include improved management of existing parking. The responses to this questionnaire have put forward a number of suggestions on how parking can be improved and these will be investigated.
Mrs S Vinal	If car parking is provided, extra trees and/ or bollards are needed to protect the brick paving from destruction by cars and lorries.	Noted. The issue of parking on pavements and the ways to improve parking in the village will be investigated as part of a comprehensive parking proposals.
Miss A Glauser	Residents should have priority over visitors, another 20 spaces would really help.	Noted. The appraisal identifies the need to improve parking provision in Cuckfield and the Council will work with its partners to see how this can be best achieved through a number of measures include improved management of existing parking. The responses to this questionnaire have put forward a number of suggestions on how parking can be improved and these will be investigated.
Cuckfield Society	We feel this is an excellent initiative, we look forward to seeing and commenting on the consultation document.	Noted.
Colin Sewell – Rutter	Concerns are raised regarding the condition of Church Platt. Church Platt is well used for access but its condition is a disgrace with unsightly gravel on northern side. There is a need to	Agree. The appraisal identifies the need to improve parking provision in Cuckfield and the Council will work

	<p>create residents only parking within the street itself. On street parking should be properly delineated and arranged so that it does not get blocked as it often does. Would it be feasible to reserve space for wedding cars and hearses at Church Platt? Through partnership working it could be possible to create a high quality road surface with planting and lighting to create award winning urban landscape.</p>	<p>with its partners to see how this can be best achieved through a number of measures include improved management of existing parking. The responses to this questionnaire have put forward a number of suggestions on how parking can be improved and these will be investigated. The appraisal also identifies that the surface of Church Platt needs improving.</p>
<p>Cuckfield Parish Council</p>	<p>Congratulates to the District Council on a very high standard of appraisal. It is Important that consideration is given to the conservation area when considering any future development in the wider village as this could impact on the conservation area. Better enforcement is required by MSDC in order to ensure that planning applications are in full compliance with the conditions imposed on any planning consent.</p>	<p>Noted. The appraisal will provide further guidance for development control officers.</p>
<p>Mrs D Mackenzie</p>	<p>Improve the bus service. There is a minimum of two regular buses an hour to Haywards Heath, this will reduce the number of cars through the village.</p>	<p>Noted. This view will be taken into account in consideration of proposals to improve the provision and management of parking in the village.</p>