

Infrastructure - Core Options

What is this about?

The opportunity to include in the NDP plans for new schools and a new surgery located at the heart of the village

Background:

The requirement to build up to 110 new homes by 2026 creates an opportunity to make major changes and improvements to two fundamental services of the Parish – the schools and the Doctor's Surgery.

One of the sites identified as an option for the new homes is the land behind St John's School and the Horse and

What will it mean to me?

If the NDP includes provision for new schools and doctors' surgery it will radically affect the way that the village operates. It will change peoples' patterns of travel and relieve some parking problems.

Groom. This site is large enough to accommodate new school buildings and play areas, a new surgery and parking for all three located at the centre of the village. If any of the options are included in the NDP space would be reserved to enable them to proceed when approved by the relevant authorities.

Specific Considerations

For each of these developments to progress, if supported by referendum, would require the relevant parties to review and agree to the option going ahead. From the start of negotiations to completion it is expected this would take at least 5 years.

A possible major problem is that of funding. Neither the Mortimer NDP nor the parish would fund these developments. This responsibility lies elsewhere. These sources of funding are stretched with many competing demands.

An enlarged surgery would not automatically mean an increase in the number of doctors and a fall in waiting times for an appointment. This would depend on the relevant bodies agreeing to and funding additional doctors.



Options

To reserve space on the site for:

- ❖ A new St John's school
- ❖ New buildings and play space for both St John's and St Mary's schools
- ❖ A new Doctor's Surgery.

Pros and Cons

- ❖ A new St John's school would provide the additional capacity that is needed and expand the play area for the children.
- ❖ A new St John's school and relocated St Mary's could provide additional capacity required, remove the parking problems associated with St Mary's school, only one place to drop-off and pick up children, schools could share facilities and these could be available for public use when not required by the schools.
- ❖ A new doctors' surgery could be larger than present surgery offering additional services if required.



Discussion Sessions

Tue 24th Feb 7 – 9pm

Sat 28th Feb 10 – 12noon

Please use the Postcard

Please use the postcard to express your views on the Infrastructure Core Options