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Exhibition Boards

WYG produced exhibition boards to provide background information on the proposal and explain the purpose of the event.

Exhibition board number 1 summarised the previous community consultation events and the Parish Council's agreement to support the principle of the proposal. This board showed photos from previous events and location of the site.

Exhibition board number 2 and 3 set out the proposed benefits of the scheme and presents a proposed land use plan. These pages also contain a number of photos of key areas of the site and are marked on a plan to show their location.

Exhibition board number 4 presents a proposed conceptual layout for 200 houses and a large area of open space. The layout was included to aid discussion with the residents about the potential location, scale, massing and type of housing that could be delivered and the access to the development site. It also provided some indication of the route of new foot / cycle / ride paths and which areas would be left as open space.

Exhibition board number 5 describes how and why Homes England are working alongside Winchester City Council and Wickham Community Land Trust to deliver a range of housing types and tenures that will help provide housing for local people and meet the local need.

Exhibition board number 6 presents some technical work undertaken to understand the landscape impact of the proposed scheme. The site section shows how the houses could be mostly sat within the dip of the site and would not be sat on top of the ridge. Importantly this shows that the houses will not be visible from the River Meon or the water meadows. The Zone of Theoretical Visibility plan shows the areas where any part of the scheme will be visible from. This is very much a worse case scenario, and it is likely the site would be much less visible than the plan suggests.

Exhibition board number 7 describes the policy set out in Winchester City Council's Local Plan Part 2, section 4.10 (The Smaller Villages and Rural Area), which "recognises the potential offered by former railway lines for walking, cycling and horse riding as sustainable transport and recreational routes, and welcomes the initiatives being promoted to bring the following into use: ... Missing links between Wickham and Fareham along the former railway line and around Knowle and Welborne." This board shows how the proposal will satisfy this policy by providing the connection between Wickham and Fareham along the former railway line.

The final two boards allowed the residents to leave post it notes with their thoughts on the site's opportunities and issues, the response to these boards is set out at the end of this document.

Interactive Exhibition Boards

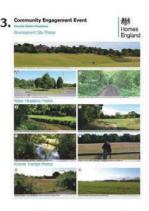
Five interactive exhibition boards were used to gather feedback on the type, tenure and style of housing and the kind of place that the community would like or not like to see delivered in this scheme. Residents were also asked to say what kind of open space they like or don't like.

The feedback for these questions is set out over the next 10 pages.

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Type and Tenure of Housing

We asked, what type of place would you like or not like to see developed? Which of the following would you like or not like to see replicated or used as inspiration?

We received the following feedback:

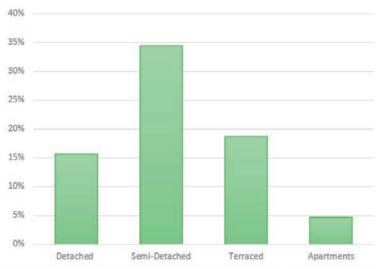
Type of Housing



Chart Area	L	Like		Do Not Like	
Decached	10	16%	4	6%	
Semi-Detached	22	34%	0	0%	
Terraced	12	19%	1	2%	
Apartments	3	5%	12	19%	
Sub total	47		17		
Total			64		

Percentages rounded to nearest whole number

Type of Housing?



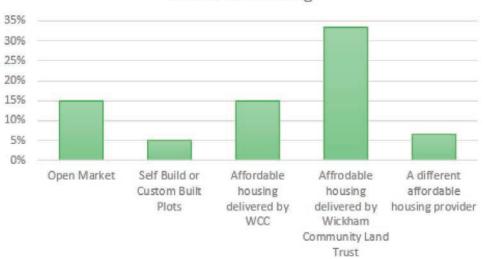
Tenure of Housing



Tenure of Housing	Like		Do Not Like	
Open Market	9	15%	5	8%
Self Build or Custom Built Plots	3	5%	6	10%
Affordable housing delivered by WCC	9	15%	0	0%
Affrodable housing delivered by Wickham Community Land Trust	20	33%	0	0%
A different affordable housing provider	4	7%	4	7%
Sub total	45		15	
Total			60	

Percentages rounded to nearest whole number

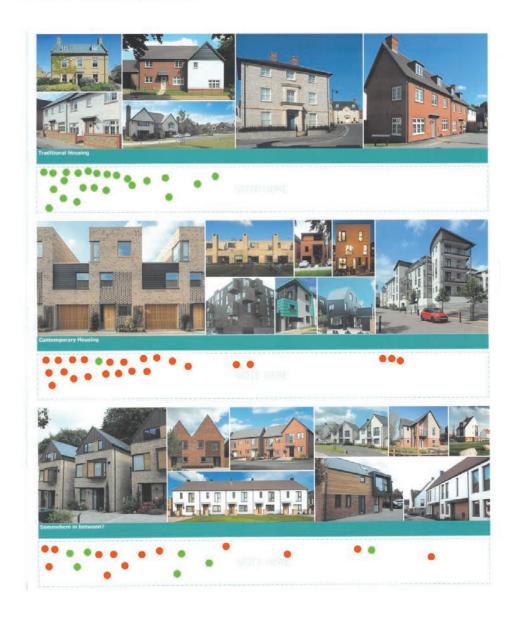
Tenure of Housing?



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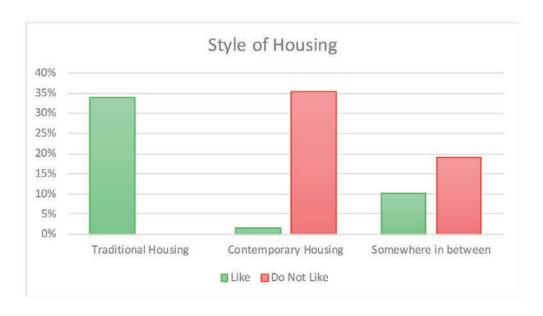
Style of Housing

We asked, what should the scheme take inspiration from the surrounding area or seek to innovate? Which of the following do you like or not like?



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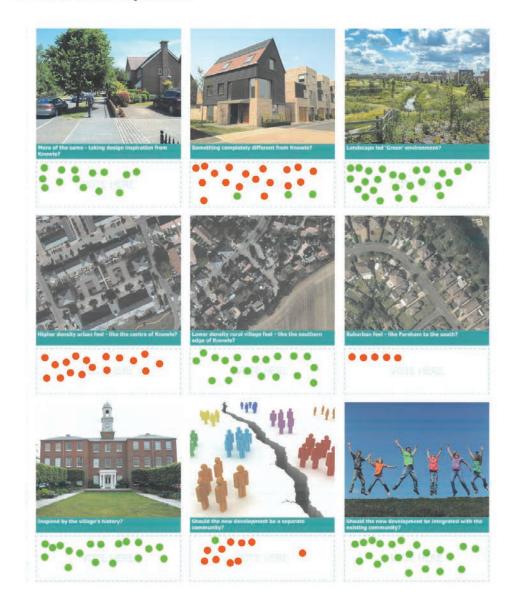
Style of Housing?	Like		Do Not Like		
Traditional Housing	23	34%	0	0%	
Contemporary Housing	1	1%	24	35%	
Somewhere in between	7	10%	13	19%	
Sub total	31		37		
Total			68		



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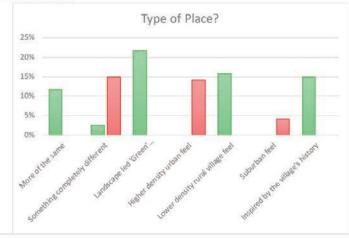
Type of Place

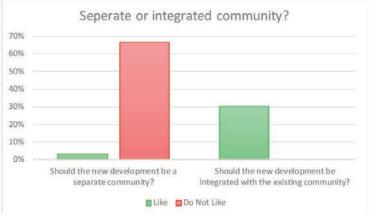
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Type of Place

Type of Place?	L	ike	Do No	ot Like
More of the same	14	12%	0	0%
Something completely different	3	3%	18	15%
Landscape led 'Green' environment	26	22%	0	0%
Higher density urban feel	0	0%	17	14%
Lower density rural village feel	19	16%	0	0%
Suburban feel	0	0%	5	4%
Inspired by the village's history	18	15%	0	0%
Sub total	80		40	
Total			120	
Should the new development be a separate community?	1	3%	10	30%
Should the new development be integrated with the existing community?	22	67%	0	0%
Sub total	23		10	
Total			33	

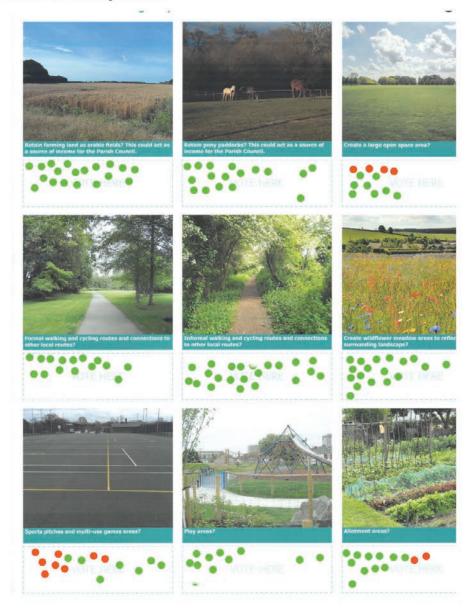




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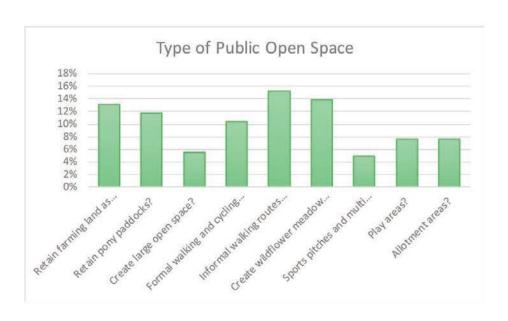
Type of Public Open Space?

We asked what type of open space would you like to see on the new publicly accessible land? Which of the following do you like or not like?



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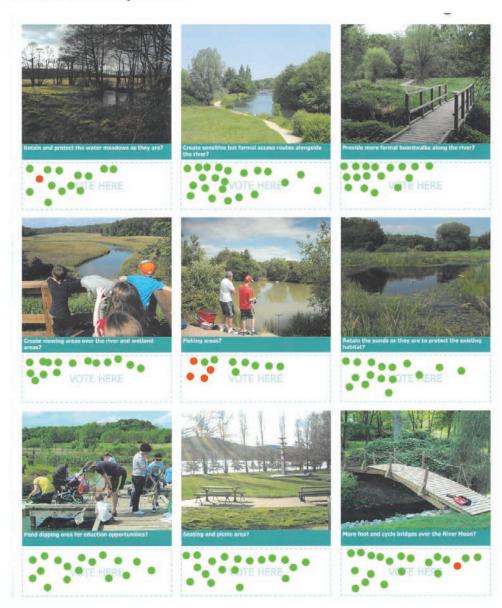
Type of Public Open Space?	Li	ke	Do No	t Like
Retain farming land as arable fields?	19	13%	0	0%
Retain pony paddocks?	17	12%	0	0%
Create large open space?	8	6%	4	3%
Formal walking and cycling routes and connections to other local routes?	15	10%	0	0%
Informal walking routes and cycling routes and connections to other local routes?	22	15%	0	0%
Create wildflower meadow areas to reflect surrounding landscape?	20	14%	0	0%
Sports pitches and multi use games areas?	7	5%	8	6%
Play areas?	11	8%	0	0%
Allotment areas?	11	8%	2	1%
Sub total	130		14	
Total			144	



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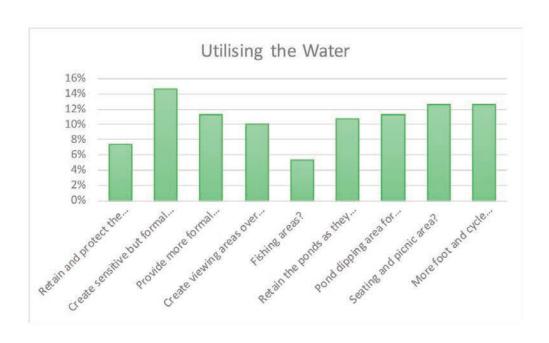
Utilising the Water?

We asked how would you like the river and ponds to be treated? Which of the following would you like or not like to see?



Utilising the Water?

Utilising the Water?	Li	ke	Do No	t Like
Retain and protect the water meadows as they are?	11	7%	1	1%
Create sensitive but formal access routes alongside the river?	22	15%	0	0%
Provide more formal boardwalks along the river?	17	11%	0	0%
Create viewing areas over the river and wetland areas?	15	10%	0	0%
Fishing areas?	8	5%	4	3%
Retain the ponds as they are to protect the existing habitat?	16	11%	0	0%
Pond dipping area for education opportunities?	17	11%	0	0%
Seating and picnic area?	19	13%	0	0%
More foot and cycle bridges over the River Meon?	19	13%	1	1%
Sub total	144		6	
Total			150	



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Opportunities

We asked, what opportunities does this proposal present for Knowle and Wickham?

Safer walking/ cycling routes to and from Wickham and Fareham	Land held safe in perpetuity is a good thing	Houses for local people - Knowle and Wickham residents not fareham	None
Could a 'formal' access onto the railway line be established at Wickham end of Mayles Lane to create more options for riders/cyclists/walkers?	Linking Wickham with Knowle by Old Railway Line - & on to West Meon and Fareham	Affordable homes for local people - Welborne affordable homes are for Fareham residents	Only for Wickham
Land protected from development in prepetuity	The meadow land - a good natural link between Knowle and Wickham	Welcome the opportunity to walk the meadows & the proposed link to the Railway Line walk	Great to have further walking space that links with railway line
Circular walking routes and protection for Knowle	Lots of open space for both Wickham and Knowle	Access to river	Good to be able to walk from Knowle along railway line and upto South Downs National Park

Issues

We asked, what concerns do you have about the impact of this proposal on Knowle and Wickham?

what consultation will be made with Knowle residents over the potential over-load of the existing sewer system?

walk ways and round access to the Old Wickham Railway Line

Disruption during building

Ongoing consultation during building -Plans never go 'to plan'! There will be adjustments - who/ how will these be decided

How will it be ensure that these 'in need' really end up with a home?

Important the Knowle Triangle Is preserved as buffer with Welborne to maintain separate identities How will the sewage + electricity infrastructure be upgraded? Where is the money coming from to maintain the open spaces in the future?

If there's allotments how will Knowle residents apply?

Is there any plan to reduce speed limit on knowle road from 50 to 40 to increase safety with extra cars using it?

Will the new

development have

a bus route? If not

what impact will this

mean for Knowle

routing?

What additional public transport will be put in place?

concern shared about increase in traffic onto A32, especially after welborne is completed.

Will young families want to move to a semi-rural location? Many people don't like living in Knowle as its too isolated/ lonely/no facilities or amenities

Sewage disposal is

inadequate now and

will be even more so if

concerns about what has been dumped in/under green space & and impact on environment later

on

How will you protect increased number of leisure users on Mayles Lane from traffic danger? Currently speeding cars/lorries create risks to walkers/ cyclists/riders

roads cannot cope at the moment -200 houses = 400 cars the green buffer next to the main access road should not have houses on it. This strip should be a key part of the Knowle continuity from Knowle Triangle to Dashwood

More people on the roads into Wickham and entrance to Knowle

this plan goes ahead Disposing of effluent on open farmland is not acceptable in the 21st century

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- another 200
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plus Welborne static traffic!

more facilities recreation and shops will be need with 200 more residents Welborne 6,00 homes + these 200 - just too many in one area Homes England/Land Trust should open up Mayles Lane to be no longer private. Then this would allow for a new entrance/exit to the new community

Exciting extension of Meon Valley potentially to Fareham to W.Meon. Another access point needed from Knowle.

Second emergency access needed to Mayles Lane for traffic allocation of off street parking Efforts have been made to screen the new development & it is in a natural hollow in the landscape so its visual impact is reduced.

Sewage has proved difficult in the past - detailed analysis would be required

more footfall on existing bridleway/footpath.
Still no way of getting from water meadows
across golf course back to footpath. More
people walking through working farms
(biosecurity).

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