

## **Feedback from Top Field Engagement Event**

Attended by 100 people

Additional contacts by email – 5

### **Feedback on facilities**

Remove benches in the drainage area	13
Add picnic benches to mown grass area	4
Add more bins around the circular path	4
Add interpretation board	1
Put more log piles in the reptile area by BMX track	1
Add more benches in centre of meadow area where mown paths cross	1
Plant more trees in drainage area	1

### **Comments**

#### **Paths / Access**

- Link path is new and not shown on other plans so it should not be there. The path should cross at the shortest possible point and then go along the railway line
- People are riding scramble bikes through the farmers field and onto top field
- Don't over widen the paths, leave as much as possible untouched
- Keep paths accessible, way into Winchester
- All paths to be left natural and mown regularly x 2
- Ensure paths are wide enough for walking and enjoying countryside without walking single file
- Try to put measures in to stop the motor / scramble bikes going up or using the field x2
- Limit the surfaced path in South East corner just far enough to connect houses. Do not extend into sensitive dormouse habitat. Leave as informal path
- No gate at end of Ilex Close – 5
- Path along railway line should be 1m wide. Path onto the field should be at the shortest route not through the main mitigation area
- Footpaths between Kim Bishop walk and Burnets Close should be suitable for cyclists
- Pedestrian access should be via kissing gates to prevent motorcycle access

#### **Drainage area**

- Leave the trees in the drainage area
- Please move the soakaway 2-3m north to avoid risk to Cornishman. Requested twice before.
- Ensure the drainage area doesn't drain into Ilex Close
- Plant more trees in the drainage area, weeping willows would be great.

### **Mown Grass Area / Play**

- Need a football area of flat mown grass x 2
- Place for children to play safely
- Make the mowed space bigger – we need more room for play x 3
- No larger mown area – kids can play somewhere else
- Kids equipment / play area, football / basketball space, exercise space / equipment x 3
- Football should be at Eversley Park, leave area as meadow land to be used by all and not taken over by footballers.
- Any children's play area should be kept near to the houses.
- No football area, as much natural meadowland as possible
- Fence mown grass area so it is kept free from dogs so that small children can play x2

### **Natural Space**

- Keep the space as open and natural as possible
- Leave it natural no need for play equipment x 4
- Remainder of area should be left as natural as possible.
- leave the part of the field that remains unaffected by housing development to return to nature with as little interventions as possible

### **Scouts**

- A safe fire pit or BBQ area – safe for teenagers or adults to use for small fires that does not risk remaining site
- Please no fire pit or BBQ area, as a dog walker I have often had to clean up after teenagers
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Winchester Scouts have missed out again on getting a new scout hut. Our hut is in such a state – not fit for purpose, asbestos roof, outdated built in 1949 and colder inside than outside. Not a good place to teach children. Please look after the future generation. Also fire lighting area would be fantastic and an area for day camping for scouts.
- Would have been nice to see more support for a new scout hut / community building included. Very disappointed

### **General**

- Keep the BMX area – it is used by a lot of children
- Please can the meadow, wildlife area, paths etc be obliged to be completed before all housing is sold
- Increase number of trees to absorb air pollution which is a problem in Kings Worthy
- Very good – plenty of space for wildlife, a good variety of habitats, sounds like it will be sympathetically managed, scope for volunteer involvement

- Are the builders sound? Do they have the capital to finish the job – unlike another project in the village?
- Extend the dog control order made by WCC under FEPA to this site and provide dog bins
- Ensure your S106 with the current owner is robust and all the site will be transferred to WCC
- Who owns the old railway embankments and how will they be managed – especially the bit by Springvale Road
- Is there scope for a community orchard, fruit trees, nut trees – it is a good site for fruit trees. There are some one another site but its rather shady there
- Very successful wildflower meadow at Lovedon Fields – cutting and collecting the seeds could be arranged via Peach Ecology Consultants. The success of Lovedon meadow was due to the field being left fallow for 2 years (1 year would be good here) and harrowed to remove aggressive weeds
- dog bins?
- Protect veteran walnut by path to bridge
- Lovely considerate plan, love the idea of open space being more inclusive
- Tree warden scheme to care for trees?
- I would be pleased to see the area managed as suggested with a wildflower meadow and benches at the heart of it
- Make the managed area look lovely
- Bird and bat boxes would be nice, if appropriate.
- Set up a volunteer group with full training and equipment
- I feel keeping it simple may make it deliverable so we don't end up being promised things that will never happen just to get local residents on board - as happened with the notorious HAB development in Kings Worthy where there were promises of allotments, club houses and a "wild flower meadow" etc etc, none of which came to fruition.