

Sunningdale and Sunninghill & Ascot Neighbourhood Community Engagement event held on 02 July 2025 in the Community Room at Broomhall Recreation Ground

- Key themes which were considered:
 - Vision for the area – What would you like your area to be like in the next 10-15 years.
 - The townscape/ character of Sunninghill & Ascot, including design, green space, Biodiversity.
 - Housing.
 - Local infrastructure – getting around, parking etc.

- 1. Vision for the Area
 - Good community spirit, safe to live, can walk to school, friendliness, respect, green space – protect, don't want over development.
 - No Parking x 4
 - Danger of yellow lines - safety parking
 - Has the Neighbourhood Plan made a difference?
 - Public trust has diminished
 - Where is the infrastructure?
 - Redevelop Rise Road housing into flats
 - Try to communicate to different ages, geographic and groups
 - Vape shops one in Sunninghill
 - Need a vibrant High Street
 - Train links, poor into London
 - Aging population
 - Lack of cultural space
 - Prioritize brownfield sites
 - Re use office space
 - Look at the bigger picture, facilities for young demographics
 - Lack of interesting culture (centre being built in Ascot). Marlow is a good example of vibrant town centre
 - Youth council, lack of nightlife, nothing to interest young people, no great pub, nowhere central to socialise, community events for 16-20 yrs. Unsure what is wanted/needed. Kids disengaged, nowhere to hang out
 - Hopper, circular bus covering local area
 - CIL Funding – Save the Novello Theatre
 - Beautiful green spaces
 - Schools – need to encourage families
 - People can't afford to live here so people drive here instead

- 2. The townscape/ character of Sunningdale, including design, green space, biodiversity
 - Keep with the times
 - Collaboration with mature organisations
 - Lack of cultural space
 - Broomhall Recreation Ground is an asset
 - How do we protect what's special?
 - Environmental protection is in important

- Introduce stricter TPOs
- Trees
- Bats
- Owls
- Sustainable and diverse housing, new materials, zero energy designs
- How do we retain the environment?

➤ Housing.

- New housing without losing community spirit
- More 2/3-bedroom housing
- How do we get more affordable house x 2 – smaller mews cottage development
- We don't build houses. How do we do it. Change peoples views
- Do we want affordable housing x 2? Peppercorn in market housing
- Homes for younger people with local connections x 2 / key workers can't live here – prioritise for housing & discounts on local amenities
- Can we really change the dynamics?
- Retain what we have just make it cheaper
- How do we build more without changing how the area looks?
- Do we have a good balance of housing?
- Birth rate reducing. Costs of housing and children. Types of schools > Funding per child
- Flexible and adaptable housing
- Flats not suitable for families – basic gardens
- Starter homes can't be extended – small gardens. Restrict these homes to a price bracket or rent only
- If affordable is not viable don't let developers build
- All private homes
- Prevalence of old people's homes, - aged community x 3
- How can young people stay in this community?

➤ Infrastructure

- Walking & cycling infrastructure isn't there
- Business rates
- Buses very slow – transportation links
- Maintain parks and keep open spaces at Broomhall Park
- Cycle paths x 2
- We need more to encourage people not to drive
- Adult exercise machines
- Hopper bus x 2
- Community orchard / garden
- Wildlife and green corridors protect
- Pedestrianise Chobham Road
- More bike racks
- Rights of Way to be better maintained / clear paths
- Hydro Dam built on the stream
- E.V charges RBWM and station car park
- PROW - Park Crescent into Sunningdale Park – encourage walking
- Footpath 13 extend up to Sunninghill
- Parking should be discouraged if roads are safer
- More street lighting Broomhall Lane / Bedford Lane