

The Parish council role in the planning process

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This goes beyond acting as the eyes and ears of your local communities; you can for example,

- influence decisions and policies that affect your area;
- develop neighbourhood/parish plans;
- assist in identifying potential sites for affordable housing;
- lead community engagement in implementation projects; and
- when reviewing planning applications, encourage close partnership working with the council to deliver local services which give the best deal for the community.

Agenda

- 09:00 – 09:30 | **Introduction to Great Wakering**
- 09:30 – 10:30 | **A walk around Great Wakering**
- 10:30 – 10:45 | **Refreshments**
- 10:45 – 11:45 | **Discussion and Map Session**
- 11:45 – 13:00 | **Looking to the future and the role of Stakeholders**

How to deliver and understand local needs and ambitions

What we want to know:

- What do you want? Where should it go?
- Where are your services? Do they need improvement?
- What about funding?

What are the relationships and communication challenges?

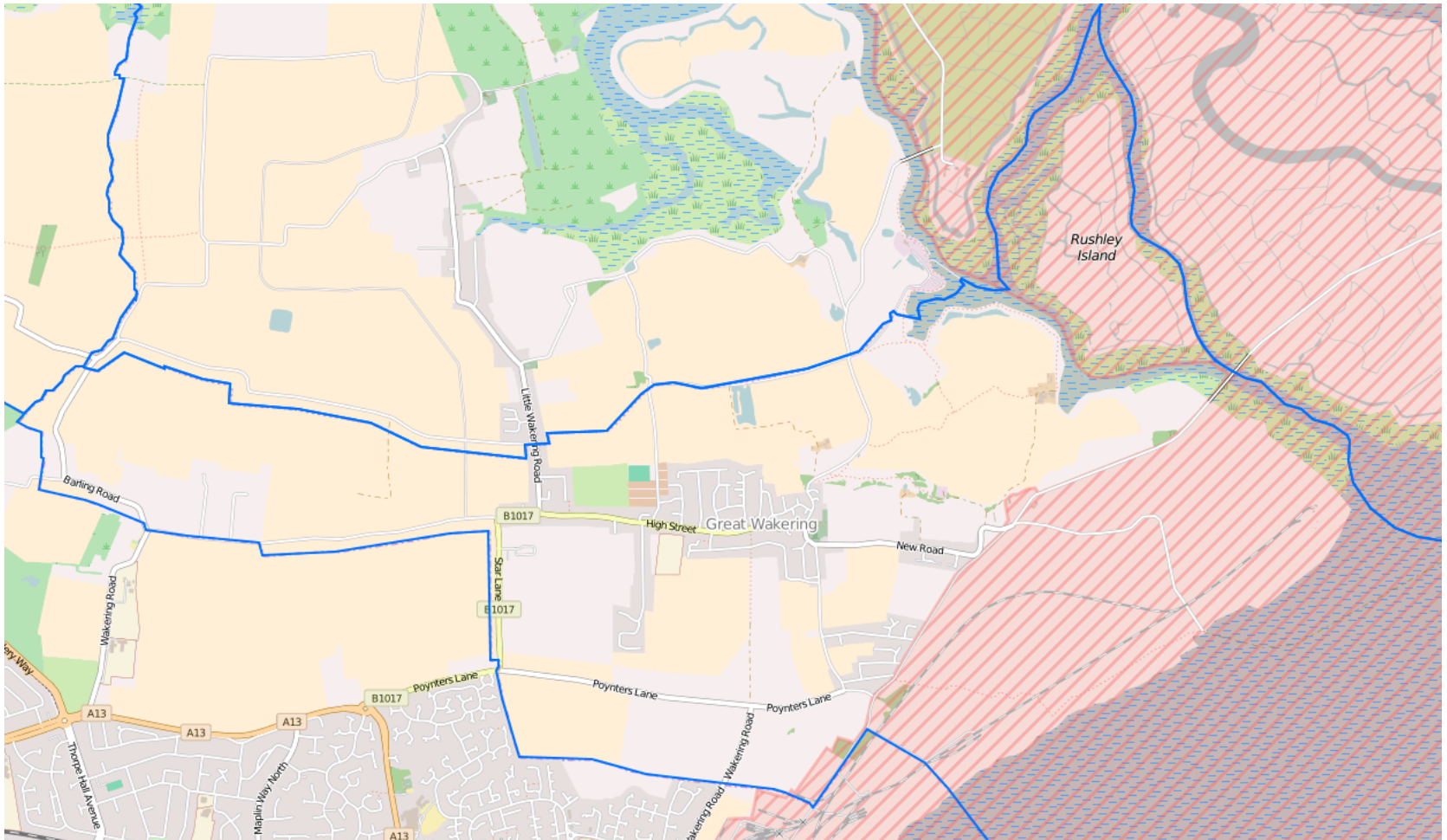
We want:

- Open and transparent communication
- Ongoing engagement

What improvements could we make?

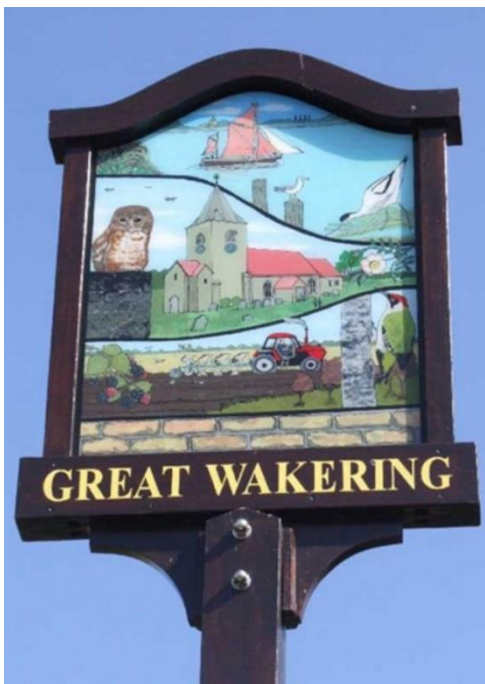
Building relationships, miscommunications and their concerns

Parish Map



Great Waking Parish

Statistics



Great Waking Overview

❑ **Total Population of the Parish is 5,587**

- An increase from 5,512 in 2001
- Population density of 5.5 people per hectare (ppha) slightly higher than the Rochford average of 4.9 ppha

❑ The average age of a Great Waking resident is 41.1 years, slightly higher than the national average of 39.3 years

❑ Between 2001 and 2011, the number of dwellings in the Parish has increased from 2,170 to 2,286

Education Overview

❑ 1 Primary School in the Parish:

❑ Great Wakering Primary School

- Capacity in 2014/15 = **420**
- Number of students in 2014/15 = 412
- **The school currently has a surplus of capacity of 8 students**

- Projected Capacity in 2019/20 = **420**
- Projected number of students in 2019/20 = 381
- **The school is projected to have an increased surplus of capacity of 39 students by 2020**

Statistics from *Commissioning School Places in Essex 2015-20*, Essex County Council

Business Overview

- ❑ Within Great Waking Parish there are 112 rating assessed businesses

- ❑ Great Waking Parish has a good mix of business uses, for example; Offices, Retail, Workshops, Warehouses etc.
 - Are there any attractive business uses missing?
 - What can be done to attract these kind of businesses?

Infrastructure Overview

❑ Public Transport provision:

- No train station within Parish boundary
- Arriva Bus service number 4, 4A,14 runs up to 4 buses an hour to Rochford, Southend and villages in between
- Other routes run infrequently; 7,63, 807,808,809,811,814
- Car use still high

❑ Broadband is generally available across the Parish

- Maximum advertised Fibre speed of 76 mbps (Central Great Wakering), the same as the 76mbps advertised for Rochford

Health Overview

- ❑ Great Wakering residents currently have access to a medical centre within their Parish
- ❑ 81% of residents would rate their general health as being 'good' to 'very good'¹
 - This is up from 72% in 2001
 - Compares to the national average of 81%

¹ Census (2011)

Conservation and Culture

- ❑ Great Wakering has a number of listed buildings which are of high priority to preserve.
- ❑ Grade II*
 - ❑ Church of St. Nicholas
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 - ❑ 130-136 Shoebury Road
 - ❑ 26 various locations along the High Street
 - ❑ Barrow Hall Farmhouse
 - ❑ Clay Street Farmhouse
 - ❑ Cottawight
 - ❑ Headstones south of Porch Church of St Nicholas
 - ❑ Millers Farmhouse
 - ❑ Premises adjoining number 62 roundabout the pharmacy

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 - ❑ The white hart public house
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 - ❑ Trotters
 - ❑ Workshop at rear of numbers 139 and 141

Current Allocations up to 2025

☐ Policy SER9 – West Great Waking

- ☐ Two allocated sites within the policy
 - ☐ Land to the south of the High Street (8.5 hectares)
 - ☐ Land to the west of Little Waking Road (4.5 hectares)
- ☐ These sites are to be delivered up to 2025 Applications for these sites have been recently received by our Development Management Officers.

- ☐ A third site situated on Star Lane Brickworks, to build 116 dwellings is currently underway with;
 - ☐ 56 market houses already under construction
 - ☐ 11 affordable homes under construction

A Walk around Great Wakering

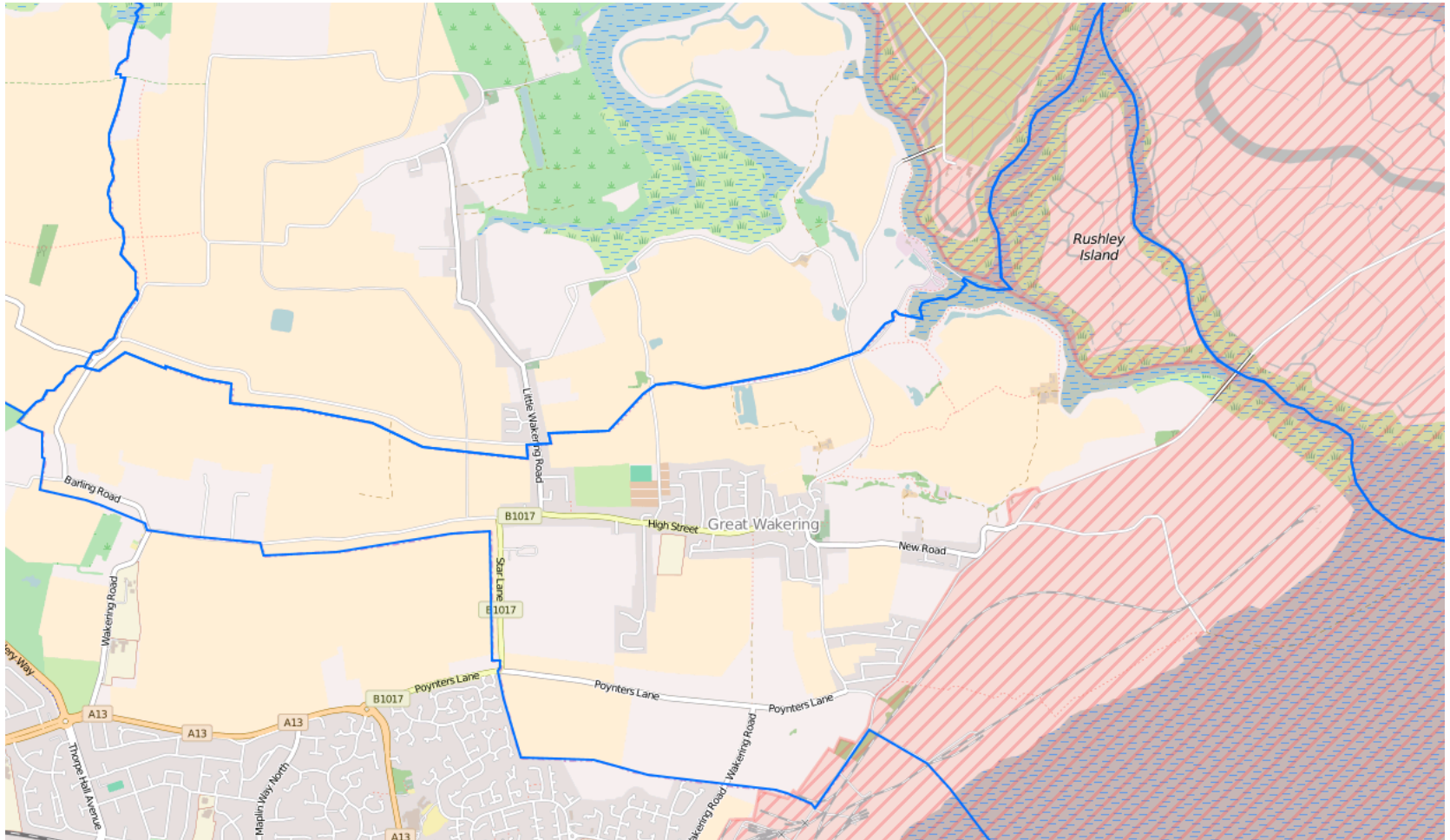
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Refreshments Break

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A Walk around Great Wakering Discussion

Vision Setting



**What do we want business
and commerce in Great
Wakering to look like in the
future?**

What do we want infrastructure in Great Wakering to look like in the future?

What do we want housing in Great Wakering to look like in the future?

What do we want education in Great Wakering to look like in the future?

What do we want healthcare in Great Wakering to look like in the future?

**What do we want the open
spaces and community
facilities in Great Wakering to
look like in the future?**

Economic Development Team

Business Support Services

The business facing department of Rochford District Council, and a direct resource for the business community. Join our FREE 'Rochford Business Network'. All Support Services are also FREE, contact us:-

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Paula Chapman (Mon-Weds)

Cheryl Milton-White (Thurs-Fri)

Economic Development Officers

ESSEX RIVERS

**Funding
Rural Business**

Rural Development Programme **LEADER funding**



To check whether your project is within the Essex Rivers LAG area and for further information on this project, please contact one of the Essex Rivers LAG team

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LEADER is an established method of delivering rural development funds at a local level. **LEADER** is delivered by Local Action Groups (LAGs) made up of people from private, public and voluntary sector organisations in the local community.

Essex Rivers LAG

is delivering the LEADER funding in this area. We cover significant rural parts of Braintree, Brentwood, Chelmsford, Colchester, Maldon and Rochford local authority areas.

In Essex Rivers, the LEADER priorities are to:

- ***Support small and micro businesses and farm diversification***
- ***Enhance rural tourism***
- ***Increase farm productivity***
- ***Increase forestry productivity***
- ***Provide rural services***
- ***Provide cultural and heritage activities***

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LAG HAS
£1.8 MILLION WITH
THE AIM OF
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ECONOMIC
ACTIVITY IN
RURAL AREAS**



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“Save the Date!

Next Rochford Business Event”

FUNDING SUMMIT

Wednesday 28th September 2016

Have you joined the Rochford Business Network?

- *Quarterly newsletters*
- *Regular email updates*
- *Networking opportunities*
- *Be the first to book onto our events*
- *Hear about other local events*

Pick up a registration form, or email
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