

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

- 18:00 – 18:30 | **Introduction to Hawkwell**
- 18:30 – 19:30 | **A walk around Hawkwell**
- 19:30 – 19:45 | **Refreshments**
- 19:45 – 20:30 | **Discussion and Map Session**
- 20:30 – 21:00 | **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?

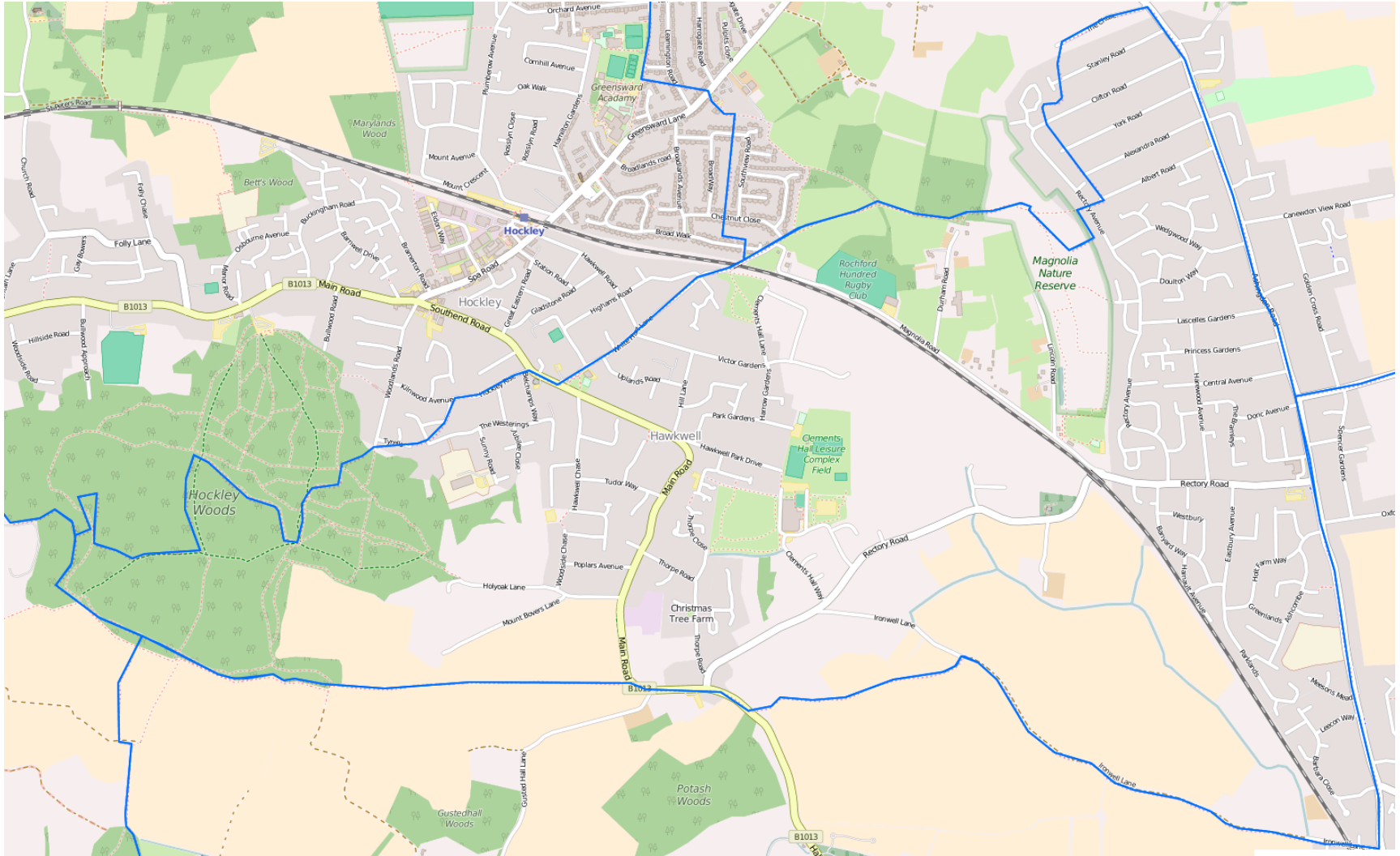
We want:

- Open and transparent communication
- Ongoing engagement

What improvements could we make?

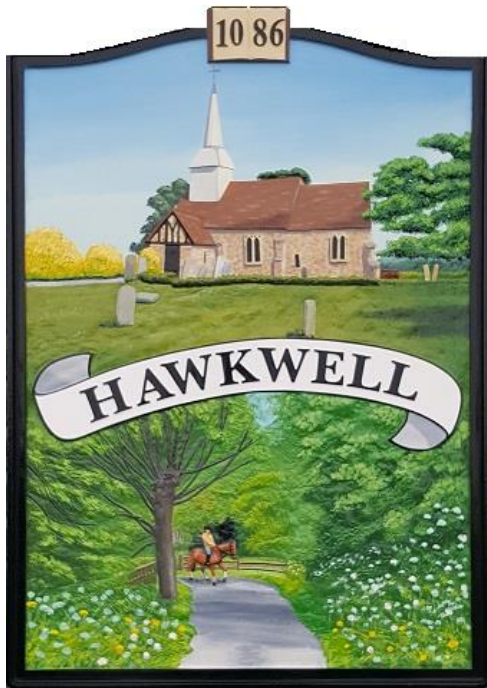
Building relationships, miscommunications and their concerns

Parish Map



Hawkwell Parish

Statistics



Hawkwell Overview

❑ **Total Population of the Parish is 11,730**

- An increase from 11,231 in 2001
- Population density of 21.3 people per hectare (ppha) much higher than the Rochford average of 4.9 ppha

❑ The average age of a Hawkwell resident is 42.2 years, higher than the national average of 39.3 years

❑ Between 2001 and 2011, the number of dwellings in the Parish has increased from 4,702 to 4,827

Education Overview

❑ 4 Schools in the Parish:

❑ Westerings Primary Academy

- Capacity in 2014/15 = **224**
- Number of students in 2014/15 = **236**
- **The school currently has a deficit of capacity of 12 students**

- Projected Capacity in 2019/20 = **224**
- Projected number of students in 2019/20 = **248**
- **The school is projected to have a worsened deficit of capacity of 24 students by 2020**

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

Education Overview

❑ 4 Schools in the Parish:

❑ Holt Farm Infant School

- Capacity in 2014/15 = **270**
- Number of students in 2014/15 = **229**
- **The school currently has a surplus of capacity of 41 students**

- Projected Capacity in 2019/20 = **270**
- Projected number of students in 2019/20 = **242**
- **The school is projected to have a reduced surplus of capacity of 28 students by 2020**

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

Education Overview

❑ 4 Schools in the Parish:

❑ Holt Farm Junior School

- Capacity in 2014/15 = **360**
- Number of students in 2014/15 = **250**
- **The school currently has a large surplus of capacity of 110 students**

- Projected Capacity in 2019/20 = **360**
- Projected number of students in 2019/20 = **315**
- **The school is projected to have a decrease in surplus to 45 students by 2020**

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

Education Overview

❑ 4 Schools in the Parish:

❑ St Teresa's Catholic Primary School

- Capacity in 2014/15 = **210**
- Number of students in 2014/15 = **205**
- **The school currently has a surplus of capacity of 5 students**

- Projected Capacity in 2019/20 = **210**
- Projected number of students in 2019/20 = **209**
- **The school is projected to have a surplus of capacity of 1 student by 2020**

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

Business Overview

- ❑ Within Hawkwell Parish there are 117 rating assessed businesses

- ❑ Hawkwell 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:

- Arriva Bus service number 8 runs up to 4 buses an hour to Rochford, Southend and villages in between
- Other routes run infrequently; 63, 514, 815
 - Hawkwell Parish Plan 2011 – It is to be noted that East Hawkwell is served by more than four times as many buses as West Hawkwell. However only 12% of people state they often have issues with road based public transport.
- Car use still high
 - Hawkwell Parish Plan 2011 – 43% identify the traffic congestion in Hawkwell to be a major problem, a further 28% state it is a problem.
 - 28% people state it is often difficult getting into or out of Hawkwell, with 68% claiming occasionally
 - Main Road was identified as the location with the most congestion experienced.

Infrastructure Overview

- ❑ Utilities are available across the Parish
- ❑ Broadband is available across the majority of the Parish
 - Standard Broadband Speed is advertised as up to 17mbps, however estimated speeds are at between 4-8mbps, lower than the district average
 - Maximum advertised Fibre speed is 76 mbps, the same as the 76mbps advertised for the district. Speeds in reality will be much lower.
 - SuperFast Essex have plans to roll out a new area of Fibre along a section of Rectory Road and Ironwell Lane, sometime throughout 2017/18.

Health Overview

- ❑ Hawkwell residents currently have access to General Practitioners and a medical centre within their Parish
- ❑ Hawkwell also has a large leisure centre – Clements Hall Leisure Centre
- ❑ 83% of residents would rate their general health as being 'good' to 'very good'¹
 - This is up from 72% in 2001
 - Slightly higher than the national average of 81%

¹ Census (2011)

Conservation and Culture

- ❑ Hawkwell has a number of listed buildings which are of high priority to preserve.
- ❑ Grade II*
 - ❑ Church of St. Mary
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 - ❑ Clements Hall
 - ❑ Holly Tree Cottage
 - ❑ Milestone on verge in Front of Number 77
 - ❑ Mount Bovers
 - ❑ Swaynes Farmhouse
 - ❑ The Old Rectory
 - ❑ The Priest's House
 - ❑ Two Headstones South of Church of St Mary

Current Allocations

☐ Policy SER4 – South Hawkwell

- ☐ One allocated site within the policy (to be delivered pre 2021)
 - ☐ Land between Rectory Road, Clements Hall Way, Thorpe Road, Thorpe Road Industrial Estate and Spencer's Park (11.2 hectares to accommodate a minimum of 175 dwellings of which 61 are affordable)
- ☐ Currently development is underway with;
 - ☐ 107 Market homes complete, 7 under construction
 - ☐ 62 Affordable homes complete
- ☐ To overcome the constraints of the site, the following infrastructure, services and facilities are being provided:
 - ☐ Local highway capacity and infrastructure improvements;
 - ☐ Public transport infrastructure improvements and service enhancements
 - ☐ Link and enhancements to local pedestrian/cycling and bridleway network;
 - ☐ Sustainable drainage systems;
 - ☐ Play space;
 - ☐ Link to cycle network; and
 - ☐ Local highway improvements

A Walk around Hawkwell

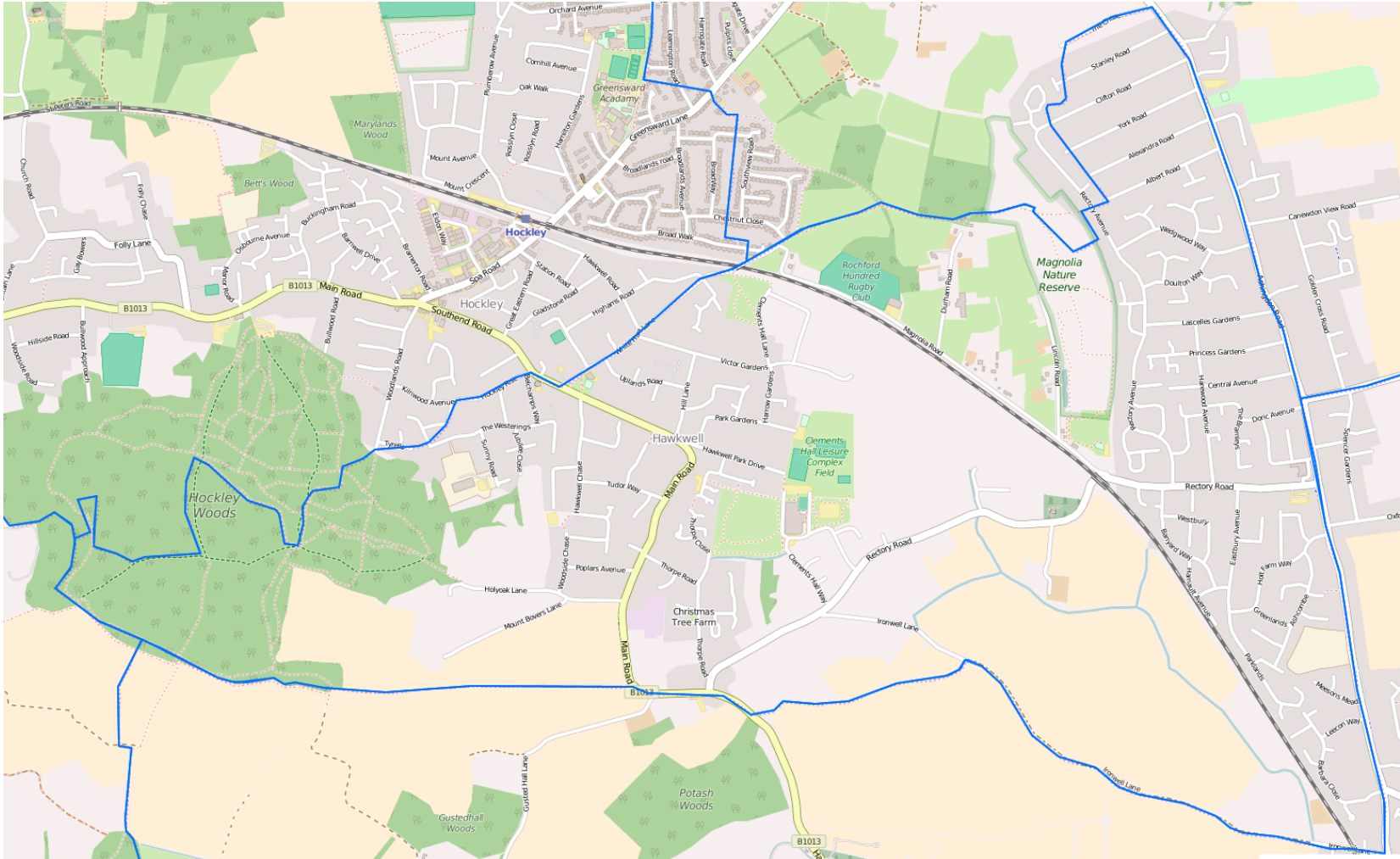
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Refreshments Break

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A Walk around Hawkwell Discussion

Vision Setting



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

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

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

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

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

**What do we want the open
spaces and community
facilities in Hawkwell 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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Economic Development Officers

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**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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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*

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