## The Parish council role in the planning process





#### Parish Councils role in planning

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 Hockley**
- ➤ 18:30 19:30 | A walk around Hockley
- > 19:30 19:45 | **Refreshments**
- > 19:45 20:45 | Discussion and Map Session
- > 20:45 22:00 | 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





### Hockley Parish

#### **Statistics**

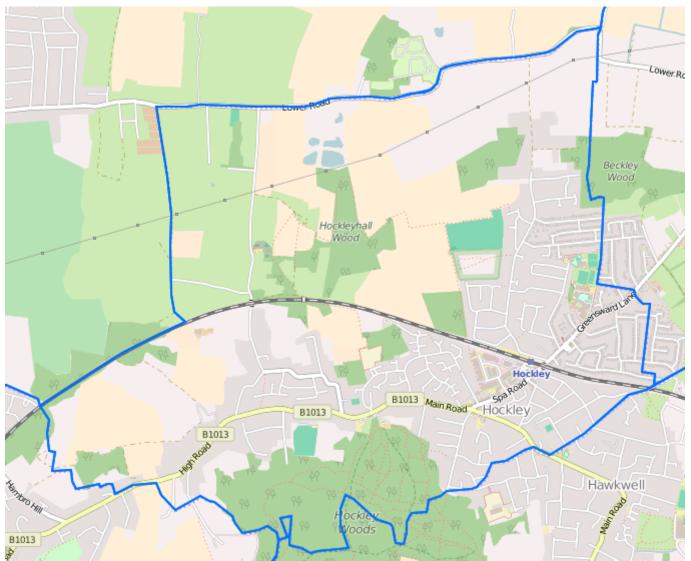








#### Parish Map







#### **Hockley Overview**

- Total Population of the Parish is 9,616
  - An increase from 8,909 in 2001
  - Population density of 13.8 people per hectare (ppha) much higher than the Rochford average of 4.9 ppha
- The average age of an Hockley resident is 40.9 years, slightly higher than the national average of 39.3 years
- Between 2001 and 2011, the number of dwellings in the Parish increased in line with population from 3,797 to 3,985





#### **Education Overview**

- 2 Primary Schools in the Parish:
  - Plumberow Primary School
  - Capacity in 2014/15 = 650
  - Number of students in 2014/15 = 647
  - The school currently has a surplus of capacity of 3 students
  - Projected Capacity in 2019/20 = 650
  - Projected number of students in 2019/20 = 627
  - The school is projected to have a slightly increased surplus of 23 students by 2020

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





#### **Education Overview**

- 2 Primary Schools in the Parish:
  - ☐ Hockley Primary School
  - Capacity in 2014/15 = 306
  - Number of students in 2014/15 = 310
  - The school currently has a deficit of capacity of 4 students
  - Projected Capacity in 2019/20 = 306
  - Projected number of students in 2019/20 = 323
  - The school is projected to have a slightly worsened situation of deficit of 17 students by 2020

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#### **Education Overview**

- □ 1 Secondary School in the Parish: Greensward Academy
  - Capacity in 2014/15 = 1650
  - Number of students in 2014/15 = 1463
  - The school currently has a surplus of capacity of 187 students
  - Projected Capacity in 2019/20 = 1650
  - Projected number of students in 2019/20 = 1349
  - The school is projected to have a slightly increased surplus of 301 students by 2020

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#### **Business Overview**

- Hockley Parish has a good mix of business uses, for example; Offices, Retail, Workshops, Warehouses etc.
  - Are there any attractive business uses missing? E.g. Large retail store.
  - What can be done to attract these kind of businesses?





#### Infrastructure Overview

- Public Transport provision:
  - One train station within Parish boundary
  - Arriva Bus service number 7 runs up to 4 buses an hour to Rochford,
    Southend, Rayleigh and villages in between
  - Arriva Bus service 8 also runs up to two buses an hour.
  - Other routes run infrequently; 63
  - Car use still high
- Broadband is generally available across the Parish
  - Maximum advertised Fibre speed of 76 mbps, the same as the 76mbps advertised for Rochford





#### **Health Overview**

□ Hockley residents currently have to leave the parish area to access healthcare facilities such as doctors' surgeries and pharmacies (Greensward Surgery in just over the Parish boundary).

- 84% of residents would rate their general health as being 'good' to 'very good'<sup>1</sup>
  - This is up from 72% in 2001
  - Compares to the national average of 81%

<sup>1</sup> Census (2011)





#### **Conservation and Culture**

- Hockley has a number of listed buildings which are of high priority to preserve.
- ☐ Grade II\*
  - Church of St Peter and St Paul
- Grade II
  - 9, Hever Close
  - Barn at Vicarage Farm Approximately 100 Metres North West of the Old Vicarage
  - Barn on West Side of Lane Approximately 70 Metres North of South Lodge
  - Bay Tree Cottage
  - Hockley Hall
  - ☐ Hockley Spa Rooms





#### **Conservation and Culture**

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- Grade II
  - Lower Hockley Hall
  - Milestone on North Verge in Front of Number 72
  - Milestone on North Verge Near Crown of Hill
  - North Lodge
  - Rose Cottage
  - South Lodge
  - The Bull Public House
  - The Old Vicarage
  - Whitbreds





#### A Walk around Hockley

18:30-19:30





#### Refreshments Break

19:30-19:45



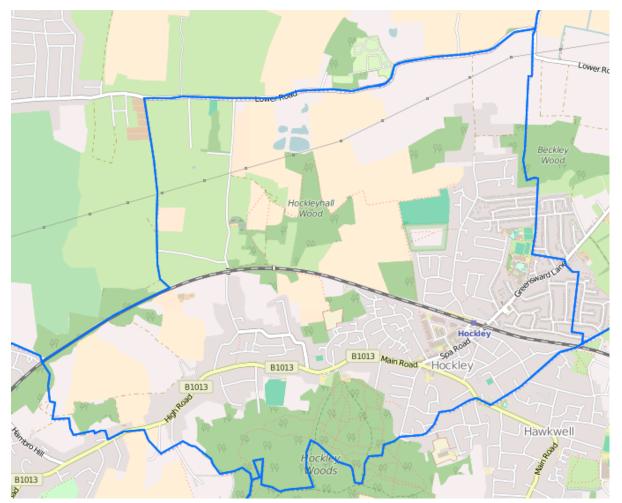


### A Walk around Hockley Discussion





#### **Vision Setting**







## What do we want business and commerce in Hockley to look like in the future?





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





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





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





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





# What do we want the open spaces and community facilities in Hockley 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





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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

info@essexrivers.co.uk 01376 574330 / 01376 574339 www.essexrivers.co.uk Essex Rivers LAG RCCE, Threshelfords Business Park, Inworth Road, Feering CO5 9SE **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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#### "Save the Date!

**Next Rochford Business Event"** 

#### **FUNDING SUMMIT**

Wednesday 28th September 2016





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- 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 business@rochford.gov.uk for more information











