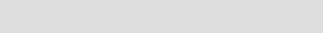
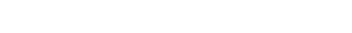


# Rushmere St Andrew Neighbourhood Plan

## Spring 2021 Update Survey

### 1. Your Feedback

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Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	The old shop terrace, Holly Lane		77.14%	27
2	The Old Forge and Blacksmiths House		88.57%	31
3	The cottages opposite The Forge		80.00%	28
4	The two cottages on South of Playford Lane		65.71%	23
5	148 and 150 The Street		65.71%	23
6	The Lodge, The Street		65.71%	23
7	The Limes Lodge, The Street		60.00%	21
8	Rush Cottage, Playford Road		68.57%	24
9	Colombia House, Playford Road		71.43%	25
10	The Carmelite Nuns House, Off The Street		80.00%	28
11	The Cottage, The Street		60.00%	21
12	The Old Rectory, The Street		77.14%	27
13	The Old Church Hall, Humber Doucy Lane		80.00%	28
14	Baptist Church / The Chapel		77.14%	27
15	St Andrew's Hall		74.29%	26
16	Villa Farm		68.57%	24
17	Water Tower		74.29%	26
18	Bixley Hall		68.57%	24
19	Golf Hotel		74.29%	26
			answered	35
			skipped	12

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Other than those buildings identified above, are there other historically important buildings and features that we’ve missed? (11)

1	The dwellings from 7-11 The Street, Rushmere.
2	I would also suggest the Dragons Teeth which are on the edge of Rushmere Heath beside Heath Road. The Heath has a long history of being used by the military and these are the last remains of that use.
3	Dont know sufficiently about the history of these buildings to comment on this. However I think its important to keep historical buildings intact and unmodernized
4	Non of the buildings within the area are worthy of being listed other than those already listed. Current planning laws are sufficient to ensure the continue appropriate development of existing buildings The village shouldn't be defined by how many listed buildings there are which appears to be the direction of thinking
5	The old school in Humber Doucy Lane  Reedcroft House, but unfortunately it accidentally caught fire - twice!
6	What about the Nuffield Hospital?
7	All and any should always be protected and preserved.
8	The third edition of Pevsner's Suffolk (Suffolk East volume) revised by James Bettley includes Broke Hall Primary School as well as four other entries already included in your list. The entry reads: "By Johns, Slater & Haward (job architect, R F Westlake), 1975-8. Built on a system of reinforced concrete columns with red brick cladding. Flat roof, with fascia of dark weatherboarding, and weatherboarded water tower".
9	Broke Hall School
10	Brookhill Cottage (now 64 Kelvedon Drive) - pre 1875 cottage located within newer housing development. The old rifle butts located at the Millstream LNR The former Falcon Inn
11	1. The historically important buildings  YES. These are obviously of great interest to those living in Rushmere & value the independence of it as a SEPARATE village to Ipswich town. ALL of those buildings are of importance, in my opinion.  Missed from the list to protect is RUSHMERE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW!!

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1	The local greens either side of The Street/Playford Road roundabout		84.62%	33
2	The greens in Playford Lane and Holly Lane		79.49%	31
3	The green opposite Elm Road		74.36%	29
4	The greens between Holly Road and Elm Road		82.05%	32
5	Chestnut Pond, The Street.		87.18%	34
6	The Limes Pond, The Street		87.18%	34
7	Little Heath		87.18%	34
8	Sandlings Local Nature Reserve		92.31%	36
9	The Mill Stream		94.87%	37
10	Green spaces along Broadlands Way		87.18%	34
			answered	39
			skipped	8

Have we missed any? Please list additional spaces below (24)

1	What about the terrible roads we currently have to use, if you intend to build houses we definitely will need a Northern by pass and better Road structure
2	Agricultural land from Red House farm, Holly Lane, Playford Lane, The Street and Playford Road to be protected.
3	Need a safe link across Foxhall Road to the Mill Stream opposite the Nuffield. Someone will be killed with the speed of traffic and pedestrians cannot see around the corner.
4	Smaller green spaces between Claverton Way and Foxhall road should also be protected from development by either directly building on them or by access for new buildings.
5	Please consider all green spaces on the Brokehall estate as they are increasingly under threat from house builders wanting access to back garden grabbing. We have already successfully opposed one in Claverton Way but other houses have been built at the end of cul de sacs. Please don't let anybody else build a house in their back garden along Foxhall Road. There is also an increasing problem with cars parked in green spaces especially at school drop off and pick up times. They may only be small patches of green but they are being ruined by cars.
6	Church Meadow adj Ditchingham Grove
7	All existing open green spaces should be protected in their natural habitat.
8	All the green spaces should be preserved.

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9	Ipswich Golf Club - there is an area of this site within the parish boundary. It would be good to protect this from future development. If the whole of the site was re-developed in the future it would be nice to retain this area of green.
10	I would include the wood on Penzance Road. This is an important open space that's needs protection. I believe it may be the responsibility of Kesgrave but as it is highlighted in the plan you produced and put in my door I have included it here. I would say the same for the children's play areas in Yewtree Grove and Holly Gardens which should be protected and improved. I also feel that Rushmere Heath also needs some sort of formal protection. The golf club uses quite a bit of this area but should the time come when the golf club vacates then the heath could be subject to planning and development. I have lived in the area for over 40 years and the possibility of the golf club leaving and some development taking place has been spoken about several times so giving it protection now would secure its long term future as important open space open to all. I would also like to see the area around Linksfield given protection as it is a unique environment and wildlife corridor. I know attempts have been made to try and restrict parking by the junction with main road but these are largely ignored with cars parking between no parking signs and there is obviously no enforcement. The council must also look to keeping the ITFC training ground as open sporting space, as if the local press is to be believed part of that area is likely to be sold off for redevelopment as part of the take over of ITFC.
11	Although it is stated in the pamphlet that 'the heath' is already protected its crucial that the private part of the golf course also remains undeveloped. Its important that the remaining green spaces remain intact as corridors for nature to thrive
12	Penzance Road wood. All current green/wooded areas should be protected.
13	The field opposite St Andrew's Church. The Vicarage Meadow between St Andrew's Church Close and "St Andrew's Hall". Both, I believe, belong to the Diocesan Board of Finance.
14	Ipswich Wanderers playing fields
15	Again all and any open spaces should be protected and preserved as these play an important part in the well being of those in the community. More and more houses is not of any benefit to anyone and only adds more pressure to already under pressure amenities, schools etc.
16	Church meadow, wild flower meadow behind Brent Drive
17	Although just outside the parish boundary the open space east of Brookhill (west of the Nuffield Hospital), south of Foxhall Rd are a vital open space for those of us who live in the southern part of Rushmere - vital these are protected.
18	Woodland with Brookhill Park
19	Unfortunately I missed the deadline for the previous survey. On the whole I agree with the majority of the survey feedback/key messages. Especially the section Roads/Transport parking on pavements and parking on grass verges which brings me onto my point today; I live on Woodbridge Road, Rushmere St Andrew. The Main A1214, close to the junction with Beech Rd traffic lights. On the main road, heading towards Ipswich there is a cycle and pedestrian path, which runs out at the junction of Linksfield. There are numerous cars frequently parked on this stretch of path, some of which are up for sale. Is it possible please to stop this? I am unsure if this is a breach of any by-law or other law? I thought there were restrictions on car dealers selling from home ? ( this has still been going on throughout Covid) There are a few people who use this path who are in disabled scooters and when vehicles are parked on the path the scooter rider is unable to get past and has to exit the path onto the main road and then rejoin the path past the obstruction. Frequently there are also people with special needs, in wheelchairs, with their carers, who live in Beech Road that often walk along here. They have the same problem as the scooter riders. I believe the path is not being used for the purpose which it was designed for? I wonder if you have any answers or influence on anyone to stop this please?  My second point is; when exiting Bent Lane to turn right into Ipswich it is often difficult to get across the

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	<p>two lanes, especially at peak times. I wonder if it would be possible to get Highways to slightly widen the corner, enabling those who are turning left towards Kesgrave to get through and make progress thus reducing the line of any cars waiting.</p> <p>With more housing in the village in the pipeline I can only foresee this junction getting busier.</p> <p>I am not sure if the above two points would specifically be included in the feedback you are looking for, if not please could the Parish still give them their consideration.</p> <p>As to the red questions within the Neighbourhood Plan I agree with both questions. I do not believe you have missed any.</p> <p>Thank you for giving us the opportunity to give our views.</p>
20	<p>We read with interest the recent plan and wanted to give you our input. We think it is important to protect from development the open spaces mentioned. The buildings mentioned are historically important and should have some protection but we do not have any others to add to the list.</p>
21	<p>I am quite happy with the suggestions put forward and feel it is a good starting point.</p> <p>One of my concerns is under the heading Housing. As stated, more new houses would necessitate more school places, more Doctors, but nowhere in the plan is there any mention of retail facilities. I'm not thinking of a supermarket, but a village shop selling the bare essentials as there are many elderly people in the village who do not drive and have no means of transport. Might a regular mobile shop be the answer?</p> <p>The other thing is local transport. This is touched on briefly saying 44% of respondents rarely or never use public transport. Maybe this is because it barely exists and we now have no timetable so have no idea what time or even when to expect a bus. All too often we were able to get into town and had a lengthy wait before there was a bus back. I think this is one of the reasons why so many have given up.</p> <p>Overall I think the plan is good as it tackles the environment and consciously takes into account to maintain the best of the village features, of which there are many. I shall "watch this space with interest"</p>
22	<p>I would also like to see some kind of playground/basketball/skateboard area for the age group 6-18 as I feel there isn't anything for our children in the area. We live on Woodbridge road, Rushmere and even though we have the Heath, now the golfers are coming back I feel we are missed out when it comes to providing for our youth.</p>
23	<p>2. YES, I do agree that all of the quoted open spaces should be protected from development.</p> <p>Yes, you have missed a vital green space, visited by so many residents and non-residents of Rushmere, which is the WHOLE of Rushmere Heath, not just the Little Heath, which is listed in your brochure, but Rushmere Heath is not listed as a whole.</p> <p>3. I wish to state that more trees should be permitted to have protection orders put upon them, in order to preserve them.</p> <p>I have a beautiful Monkey Puzzle tree in my front garden which the Council state is no longer possible to protect, as TPOs are no longer being served at all.</p> <p>This lovely ornamental tree may be cut down by successive owners to my property after I exist no longer and my property is sold. I really fear for it.</p> <p>Also the lovely big trees growing in Rushmere, some centuries old.</p> <p>And the Memorial trees, paid for and planted in memory of deceased residents, but their relatives and now being removed to make way for even more housing being pushed into Rushmere, unfortunately, diagonally opposite St. Andrew's Church.</p>
24	<p>Hi, my comments, if they are appropriate, are as follows. 1. Re significant buildings, is the Nuffield Hospital of any significance? I've never seen it, but it has been there a long time. 2. Lack of seating. I am in the</p>

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older age group and would appreciate many more opportunities just to sit and rest, look and listen. 3. Footpaths. In wet weather some are almost impassable, particularly the one from the Tower towards the Stadium. 4 Recreational areas. How about purchasing the overgrown land at the dip on Bixley Drive and converting it into a public wildlife area? It is patently unsuited for building purposes due to access. Hope these are useful.