

# **Thrupton Parish Neighbourhood Plan Survey**



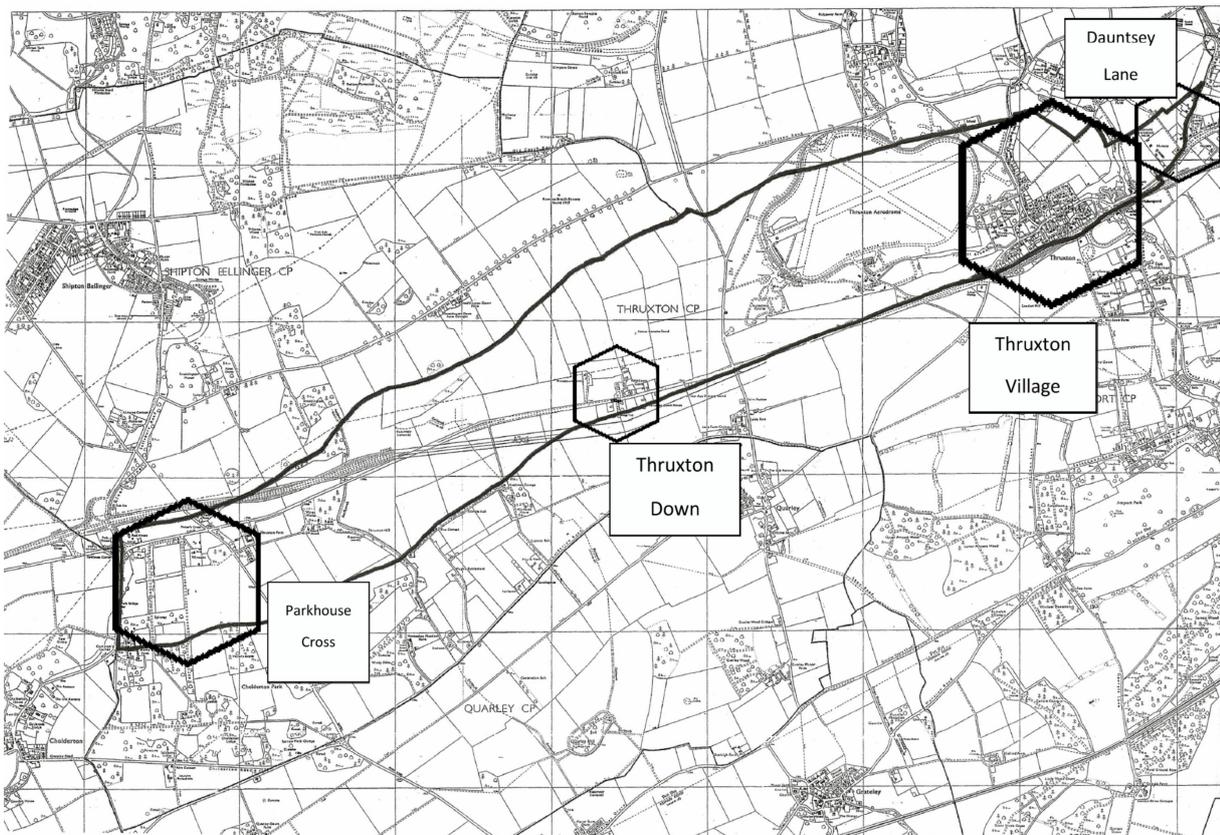
**We ALL have the chance to influence  
future development in our Parish  
YOUR opinion counts – so please complete  
this Neighbourhood Plan Survey and return  
by 23rd April 2016**

**If you need help to fill in this survey, we may be able to assist you in  
filling in the form, or if you need this survey in another format such as  
electronically or in large print, please contact Kate Phillipson.**

**Let us know how to shape our Parish in  
the future.**

## Thrupton Parish

This will be a Neighbourhood Plan for the whole Parish, not just Thrupton Village. We need to hear from Parishioners in Thrupton Down, Dauntsey Lane (including Amesbury Road) and Parkhouse Cross too please.



### Dear Thrupton Parish Resident,

Your Parish Council is putting together a Neighbourhood Plan for Thrupton Parish. The results of this survey will determine the underpinning principles and overall direction of our plan and so it is **very important** that you, your family and your neighbours take this opportunity to make your views known.

### What is a Neighbourhood Plan?

A Neighbourhood Plan is a new way for local people to influence the planning and development of the area in which they live and work. Ours will cover the next 15 years to align with TVBC's Local Plan.

A neighbourhood plan

- Should develop a shared vision for a settlement, village or town
- Can choose where new homes, shops, offices and other development should be built.
- Will influence how much housing should be built, and of what type.
- Can identify and protect important local green spaces or other treasured assets.

Once approved, our plan will have **legal force** in setting out what development is acceptable in our Parish and for what reasons. Developers and local authority planners will have to take notice of it. Without a Neighbourhood Plan, we will have little control over any development that takes place and will receive less community funds from any development that does take place.

## **We can influence development, not stop it altogether.**

You have seen the news. You know that there is a housing shortage in the South of England and that the government requires development to take place. This means that some new housing may be built in the Parish in the future. TVBC has established that there is need for 648 new houses to be built in “Rural Northern Test Valley” by 2029– we are part of that area. Our Neighbourhood Plan must comply with Test Valley Borough Council’s (TVBC) Local Plan and the government’s wider policy of sustainable development. Having a Neighbourhood Plan in place will help us ensure that any new housing/development is suitable for the Parish and meets the needs of our area. It will also help us to identify the facilities and services that need to be in place to meet the demands that any new housing will make upon our community. We are able to say where any new development should go, but that may be for a later time.

## **What to do next.**

Please complete the survey as fully and thoughtfully as you can and **return it to us by the 23<sup>rd</sup> April at the latest**. Details of the different ways you can return the survey are given at the end of this questionnaire.

If there are additional members of your household who could complete the survey separately, please help them to do so. These could include older teenagers, young adults living in the family home, or older people living with their children. They can either collect a hard copy from Kate Phillipson (call 772875 to make arrangements) or download from the village website ([www.thruxtonvillage.com](http://www.thruxtonvillage.com)). We would particularly encourage younger people to take part as often their views are not heard as loudly as perhaps they should be.

## **What Happens Next**

This survey is the first step in a formal process. The information from the survey will be collated and the steering group will use the responses as the basis for a draft plan. You will be consulted at points throughout the process, the final draft is examined by an independent inspector and a referendum has to be held on whether to adopt the final plan that is prepared. We are a small Parish and may be quicker than many, but it can still take some time.

What is really important is that we all get involved. Please read about what is happening in the Thruxton Times and on the website, attend any presentations in the hall and please **do vote** when the time comes. Please also respect other people’s opinions - we know that these can be divisive issues and there will be a range of opinions.

## **How to get help or further information.**

If you need help to complete or return the survey for any reason, or If you have questions about the survey or wider Neighbourhood Plan process, one of the Neighbourhood Plan team would be pleased to talk to you. Contact Kate Phillipson on 772875 to arrange this. If you would like to look it up, a helpful guide can be found at [www.locality.org.uk](http://www.locality.org.uk) and is called ‘Neighbourhood Plans Roadmap Guide’.

Thank you for taking the time to help us create Thruxton’s Neighbourhood Plan. **IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE A HIGH LEVEL OF RETURNED SURVEYS. IF WE DON’T, WE PROBABLY WON’T BE ABLE TO GO AHEAD WITH PREPARING THE PLAN AS WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO DEMONSTRATE PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR IT. WE WILL DO THE WORK BUT WE DO HAVE TO HAVE YOUR SUPPORT.**

*Charles Milner-Williams*

Chairman

Thruxton Parish Council

*Kate Phillipson*

Chairman

Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Committee

## ABOUT YOU

Please provide us with the following information about you. This will help us to understand the pattern of response. Your data will be used for the purposes of the survey only, and will not be shared with anyone outside of the steering group. Your response will not be identifiable in any future document or presentation.

### Required information

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

House Number (only if multiple returns being sent in): \_\_\_\_\_

Age (please circle):                      under 16 / 17-24 / 25-40 / 41-64 / 65+

How long have you lived in Thruxton?                      \_\_\_\_\_ Years      \_\_\_\_\_ Months

#### 0.1 How do you currently reside or work in the Parish? (Please tick)

- a. Owner Occupier
- b. Shared Ownership
- c. Living with relatives
- d. Rent from private landlord
- e. Rent from housing association
- f. Tied housing
- g. Commercial property – rented
- h. Commercial property – owned
- i. Other – please specify \_\_\_\_\_

0.2. If you work, do you work in Thruxton?                      Not applicable / Yes../ No

If you work outside of Thruxton, where do you work? \_\_\_\_\_

### Keeping you informed

0.3. We want to keep you informed about the Neighbourhood Plan as it progresses. So that we can do this as effectively as possible, please tick any of the following that would apply to you:-

- a. I read the Thruxton Times
- b. I look at the village website ([www.thruxtonvillage.com](http://www.thruxtonvillage.com)) (Please circle)   
   Regularly    Occasionally    Never
- c. I look at the Thruxton Village Facebook Page
- d. I would come to look at an exhibition/hear a short talk in the Hall
- e. I don't want to know what is happening about the Neighbourhood Plan

**PART 1 :** The following questions are intended to help us understand what your priorities and aspirations are for Thruxton Parish over the next 15 years.

**1.1 What do you most value about living in Thruxton Parish? List up to three in order of importance, 1 being the most important. Please keep your answers short and to the point.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**1.2 What do you most dislike about living in Thruxton Parish? List up to three in order of importance, 1 being the most important. Please keep your answers short and to the point.**

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**1.3 Thinking about the Parish how would you like Thruxton described in 15 years' time? Please tick up to five. If you feel any are particularly important, then put a double tick.**

- |                  |                          |                   |                          |
|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| 1.3.1 Accessible | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1.3.6 Prosperous  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1.3.2 Affordable | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1.3.7 Rural       | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1.3.3 Attractive | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1.3.8 Safe        | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1.3.4 Friendly   | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1.3.9 Traditional | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 1.3.5 Tranquil   | <input type="checkbox"/> | 1.3.10 Vibrant    | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**PART 2: A SHARED VISION FOR THRUXTON**

Sustainable development is a core principle of Neighbourhood Planning. UK planning policy requires a “presumption in favour of sustainable development”. Sustainable development is development that is good for people and their sense of community; supports the local economy; gives people the opportunity to live and work here; does not waste resources; and protects green places and wildlife. In order to get the best outcome for our Parish, our Neighbourhood Plan must take on the principles of sustainable development and apply them to the wants and needs of people who live, work and learn in Thruxton. Our Neighbourhood Plan needs to set out what type of development we want to see in Thruxton, as well as what we don't want to see and why.

**2.1 Bearing sustainable development in mind, what do you think are the biggest benefits development could bring to Thruxton Parish, bearing in mind the settlement in which you live? Please score all below from 1 to 5, with one being of no importance and 5 being of high importance.**

2.1.1. A community with a balance of ages and incomes	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
2.1.2. Air quality	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
2.1.3. Broadband speeds	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>

2.1.4. Facilities and services for young people	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.5. Land for recreation (allotments, playing fields)	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.6. Support local businesses	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.7. Create local jobs	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.8. Mobile phone coverage	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.9. Parking	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.10. Protection of the countryside and local assets	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.11. Rental properties	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.12. Safe cycle routes	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.13. Safe pedestrian routes	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.14. Schools and childcare	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.15. Transport links	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.16. Variety of housing	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.17. Village identity and sense of community	1	2	3	4	5
2.1.18. Other (please specify) _____	1	2	3	4	5

**2.2 What worries you about development in Thruxton Parish? In other words, what outcomes of further development would you say are unsustainable? Please score all below from 1 to 5, with one being of no importance and 5 being of high importance.**

2.2.1. A weaker sense of community	1	2	3	4	5
2.2.2. Expansion targeted only at people on high incomes	1	2	3	4	5
2.2.3. Increase in crime and anti-social behaviour	1	2	3	4	5
2.2.4. Increased traffic	1	2	3	4	5
2.2.5. Insufficient sports and leisure facilities	1	2	3	4	5
2.2.6. Lack of adequate parking in Thruxton Village	1	2	3	4	5
2.2.7. Lack of school/childcare places or school/childcare overcrowding:					
	1	2	3	4	5
2.2.8. Loss of countryside and/or green space between existing settlements:					
	1	2	3	4	5
2.2.9. Overloaded sewage and drainage system	1	2	3	4	5
2.2.10. Overstretched local amenities	1	2	3	4	5
2.2.11. Lack of medical/care facilities	1	2	3	4	5
2.2.12. Reduction in amount of green space	1	2	3	4	5
2.2.13. Unsafe pedestrian routes	1	2	3	4	5
2.2.14. Other (please specify) _____	1	2	3	4	5

**2.3 Thinking about sustainable development, what single change would most improve your quality of life as a resident of Thruxton Parish?**

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**2.4 Thruxton as a rural community “A rural feel and access to the countryside is fundamental not only to our quality of life but also to community identity”. Please score 1 if you Strongly Disagree, 2 if you Disagree, 3 for unsure, 4 if you Agree or 5 if you Strongly Agree**

**1      2      3      4      5**

**2.5 Thruxton Parish contains four distinct settlements. These are Thruxton Village, Thruxton Down, part of Dauntsey Lane (including Amesbury Road) and other dwellings in the Parish near the Parkhouse Cross (see map at the beginning of this survey for clarification).**

**How important do you think it is that these individual settlements should remain physically separate from the others to maintain their identity? Please score 1 to 5, with one being of no importance and 5 being of high importance.**

**1      2      3      4      5**

**2.6 The Neighbourhood Plan should have an approach to the issue of the 4 distinct settlements. Please tell us which of the following approaches you think is the in the best interest of Thruxton and the wider Parish? Please tick only one answer.**

- a. Do nothing – see what happens
- b. Actively support all 4 areas equally and help develop their own potential
- c. Chose one area to concentrate on. If so, which one?

**2.7 Thinking of the Parish as a whole, what services or amenities do you think are lacking? What does Thruxton not have that you would like it to have?**

*List up to three, and please keep your answers short and to the point.*

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

*N.B. Please take into account that the intention is to have a shop (selling local produce), restaurant and post office in the new garden centre being built on the Amesbury road towards Weyhill Road.*

### **PART 3. HOUSING/DEVELOPMENT**

**Did you know?** Thruxton had 650 residents and 276 households in the 2011 Census. Between 2000-2015 there have been 5 new homes built in Thruxton and one house divided in to 2. Currently, over 1 in 5 Thruxton residents are over 65. Some countrywide projections indicate that by 2030 that 1 in 3 people will be over 65.

**3.1 Thinking about the sustainable development of Thruxton over the next 15 years, where do you think the priority in development should be in Thruxton Parish? Please tick all that you would support:**

- a. A controlled extension to the current development boundary of Thruxton Village
- b. A controlled extension to the current development boundary of Dauntsey Lane
- c. A controlled extension to the current development boundary of Thruxton Down
- d. A controlled extension to the current development boundary of Parkhouse Cross

- e. In-filling or re-use of brownfield\* sites in the existing built up area
- f. In-filling or re-use of brownfield\* sites outside the current built up areas and settlements
- g. Use of greenfield\* sites outside of the current built up areas and settlements
- h. No development should take place
- i. Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

\*What do we mean by brownfield/greenfield?

By brownfield, we mean land which has been previously developed with some form of permanent structure.

By greenfield, we mean land which has never been developed in that way (e.g. farmland).

**3.2. Thinking about your next move (please complete even if you are not planning on moving!!) would you choose to stay in Thruxton?** Yes / No

**3.3. What type of home would you want to move to if you were to stay in Thruxton? Please tick one.**

- a. 1-2 bed house
- b. 2-3 bed house
- c. 3-4 bed house
- d. 5+ bed house
- e. Flat/Apartment
- f. Bungalow

**3.4. Would you like that property to be? (tick all that apply)**

- a. Eco-friendly (built with good insulation/glazing/solar panelling etc.)
- b. Low cost rented housing (relative to local incomes)\*
- c. Private rented (at market rent)
- d. Self-build
- e. Affordable Shared ownership\*
- f. Smaller retirement housing (designed to meet the 'Lifetime Homes Standard')\*
- g. Social housing
- h. Warden-assisted retirement housing\*\*
- i. With a Garden (please select) None  Small  Family  Communal
- j. Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

\* Restricted to people with a local connection.

\*\* Wide doors, no steps, ramp access etc – basically so that you don't have to move again.

**3.5. Thinking about Thruxton generally, what types of housing do you think are most needed?**

Please score all below from 1 to 5, with one being not needed and 5 being of highest need

- |                   |          |          |          |          |          |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| a. None           | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> |
| b. 1-2 bed houses | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> |
| c. 2-3 bed houses | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> |

d. 3-4 bed houses	1	2	3	4	5
e. 5+ bed houses	1	2	3	4	5
f. Bungalows	1	2	3	4	5
g. Flat/apartment	1	2	3	4	5

**3.6. Should those properties be?**

- a. Eco-friendly (see above) Yes / No
- b. Affordable/Low cost housing (relative to local incomes) to rent Yes / No
- c. Self-build Yes / No
- d. Affordable Shared ownership Yes / No
- e. Built to a Lifetimes Homes Standard (see above). Yes / No
- f. Smaller retirement housing Yes / No
- g. Social housing Yes / No
- h. Warden-assisted retirement housing Yes / No
- i. On 'village typical' sized plots Yes / No
- j. Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any other comments you would like to make?

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**Others in Your Household**

**3.7. Are there any individuals in your household who need/will need alternative accommodation?** Yes / No

**3.8. If yes, when will they need that accommodation?:**  
within 5 years / 5-10 years / greater than 10 years

**3.9. Would they like to remain in the village?** Yes / No / Not sure

**3.10. If they want to remain in the village, what type of property will they need? (please tick any that apply).**

- a. Flat/small house
- b. Family home
- c. Level access /adapted housing
- d. Sheltered/supported housing
- e. Low cost/affordable/shared ownership

*N. B. If the family member is completing their own form, they should complete this section and you should leave it blank*

**3.11. If you rent your property, would you wish to own it?** Yes / No

**3.12. If yes, why have you not been able to purchase a property locally? (Tick any that apply).**

- a. Too expensive
- b. Available housing is an unsuitable size
- c. Available housing is unsuitable for special needs
- d. Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**3.13** *In the past 15 years, about 5 houses have been built or granted planning permission in Thruxton Parish. How many houses do you think could be sustainably built in Thruxton Parish in the next 15 years (2015-2030)? (Please tick one of the following options).*

- a. More than 300
- b. Up to 300
- c. Up to 200
- d. Up to 100
- e. Up to 50
- f. Up to 25
- g. Up to 10
- h. None

**3.14. What size of housing developments do you think would be most appropriate to meeting the need for housing in Thruxton Parish? (Please tick all that apply. If you think an option is particularly important, then put a double tick).**

- a. Large developments (more than 25 houses)
- b. Medium developments (10 to 25 houses)
- c. Smaller development (fewer than 10 houses)
- d. Individual homes
- e. Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**3.15. Do you think any development should?:**

- a. Happen in one go  , or b. Be spread over the next 15 years

**Sites for Building.** *The Parish Council can identify possible sites for development in the Neighbourhood Plan, however we don't need to. We will consider the responses to this survey before deciding whether to try to identify potential sites for building. That may add significant time and cost to the preparation of the plan and needs to be carefully considered. Further consultation will take place if appropriate.*

**3.16 Comments?** Please give any other comments you have in respect of housing need.

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## PART 4. INFRASTRUCTURE

What do we mean by infrastructure? Infrastructure is the basic physical structures and facilities needed for the operation of a society e.g. things like buildings, roads, power supplies, communications etc.

**4.1 What do you think about the infrastructure where you live?** If you think of something that we have left out then please write in the last rows. Please score 1 being very poor and 5 being of very good. Please mark any that are not available to you with N/A

a. Sewerage/drainage	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
b. Water supply	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
c. Electricity	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
d. Gas	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
e. Mobile phone	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
f. Broadband	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
g. Pavements	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
h. Roads	N/A	1	2	3	4	5
i. Are there any other comments you would like to make about infrastructure?						
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**4.2 If money was available to invest in infrastructure, where should this be spent?** Please score 1 being no additional investment needed and 5 being a high level of investment needed.

a. Sewerage/drainage	1	2	3	4	5
b. Mobile phone	1	2	3	4	5
c. Water supply	1	2	3	4	5
d. Broadband	1	2	3	4	5
e. Electricity	1	2	3	4	5
f. Pavements	1	2	3	4	5
g. Gas	1	2	3	4	5
h. Roads	1	2	3	4	5
i. Street lights	1	2	3	4	5
j. Other (please give details) _____					

### Energy

**4.3** Should the Neighbourhood Plan support land being made available for energy production? Please tick all that apply. If you think an option is particularly important, then put a double tick.

- a. Geothermal
- b. Biomass
- c. Biodigestive
- c. Solar
- d. Wind
- e. None of the above
- f. Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**4.5 AIR QUALITY:** Are you concerned about air quality in Thruxton Parish? Yes / No

**4.6** If you are, in what areas of the Parish are you concerned about it? \_\_\_\_\_

## **PART 5. BUSINESS & LOCAL ECONOMY**

*Businesses form a part of the fabric of our community. By providing goods and services and employing people, our businesses ensure that the Parish can thrive and prosper. A separate questionnaire will be prepared for the businesses with premises in Thruxton. The questions below are for residents of the Parish.*

**5.1. Do you own/run your own business?** Yes / No

*If yes, is your business based in the Parish?* Yes / No

**5.2. Have you any specific business needs i.e. facilities/services/commercial premises? If so please give details:** \_\_\_\_\_

**5.3. Have you been unable to identify suitable premises within the Parish to allow your business to develop/expand?** Yes / No

**5.4. Do you employ staff locally?** Yes / No

**5.5. Do you find difficulty in obtaining staff locally?** Yes / No

*If yes, please tell us why?* \_\_\_\_\_

## **PART 6. TRANSPORT**

**6.1 As a Thruxton resident, what form of transport do you use most? Please tick one.**

a. Car                       b. Bicycle                       c. Walking                       d. Bus

e. Motorbike                       f. Train                       g. Mobility vehicle / wheelchair

**6.2 As a Thruxton resident, what other forms of transport would you like to use more? Please tick all that apply. For each option you tick, briefly state what it is about Thruxton that prevents you doing so.**

a. Bus \_\_\_\_\_

b. Train \_\_\_\_\_

c. Bicycle \_\_\_\_\_

d. Motorbike \_\_\_\_\_

e. Mobility vehicle/wheelchair \_\_\_\_\_

f. Walking \_\_\_\_\_

**6.3 How often do you catch a bus to anywhere from Thruxton?**

a. Daily                       b. A few times a week                       c. A few times a month

d. Occasionally                       e. Hardly ever                       f. Never

**6.4 If you have mobility issues, what would make it easier for you to get around Thruxton?**

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_



Do you have any other comments? \_\_\_\_\_

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## **PART 7: THRUXTON'S GREEN SPACES, TREASURES & ASSETS**

Thrupton has a Conservation Area, a number of Listed Buildings, Buildings of Local Interest, Important Trees, a Village Green, a Recreational Field and sites of Archaeological Interest, as well as Mullen's Pond and Pill Hill Brook. It also has a Village Hall and pub.

**7.1** Are there any local green spaces you feel need to be protected in and around the Parish which are important in terms of the setting of the Parish or which could be said to "set the scene" for the Parish? *We will assume that you wish to protect the Village Green in Thrupton Village unless you say to the contrary.*

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**7.2** Can you think of any place or building that we've forgotten and is important to you and Thrupton and should be mentioned in the Neighbourhood Plan?

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**PART 8: ANY OTHER COMMENTS** *Please provide any additional comments, ideas, or observations you have.* \_\_\_\_\_

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**PART 9: THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THE SURVEY. WE KNOW IT IS LONG, BUT THAT MEANS THAT WE HAVE A LOT OF INFORMATION ON WHICH TO PROGRESS THE PLAN.**

**HOW TO RETURN THIS SURVEY:** Please have it ready for collection on Sunday 17th April by leaving by your door (someone will come to collect and knock if there is nothing visible), or return it to us by 23<sup>RD</sup> April 2016 to:

**Thrupton Village: Please take to:** Kate Phillipson – 15 Beech Close (on the right hand side at the top of the footpath from the Hall), Charles Milner-Williams (Hazelhurst (opposite the Hall)), John Davis (8 Lambourne Way), Bill Brewer (Willow Mead, Lambourne Close), Mike Windsor (15 Stanbury Close), Louisa Chamberlain (Bray Cottage (opposite the Green)), Jane Higgins (24 Stanbury Rd (with the big gates, side gate available)) or Janet Graham, Lavender Cottage, Village Street.

**Thrupton Down: Please take to:** Alan Leslie (Racedown Dairy, Thrupton Down Tel. 889307.

**Dauntsey Lane: Please take to:** Wendy McLean Heronscot, Dauntsey Lane, Weyhill.

**Parkhouse Cross: Please take to:** Alan Leslie (Racedown Dairy, Thrupton Down, Tel. 889307

**ALL AREAS:** There will be someone in the Village Hall between 9am and 12 noon on Saturday 23<sup>th</sup> April to collect any outstanding surveys.

**ANY PROBLEMS OR QUERIES – CALL KATE PHILLIPSON ON 772875 AND WE WILL SORT IT OUT!**