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Shortlisted Sites and Housing Needs

Survey







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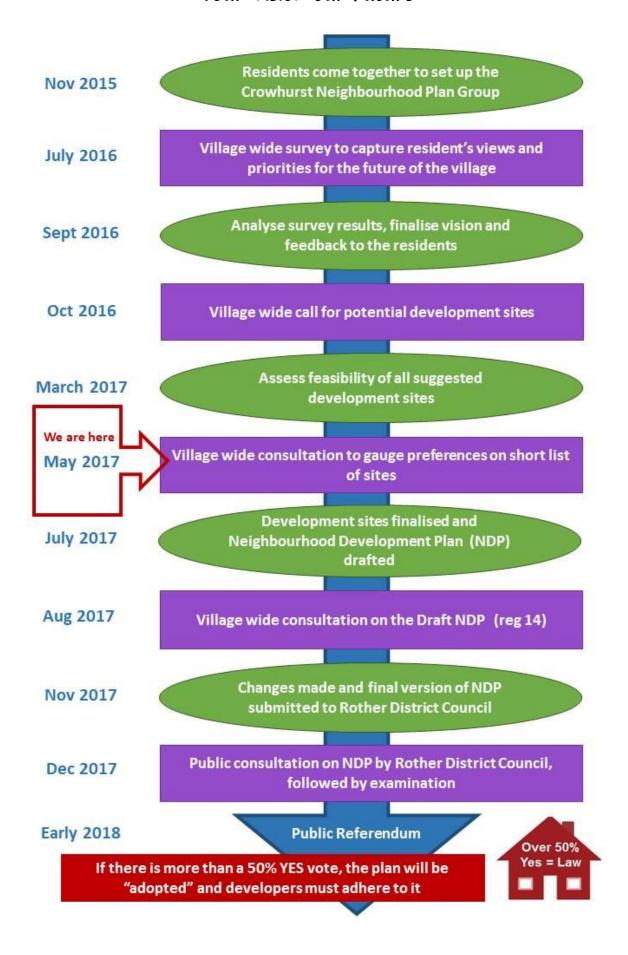
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Shortlisted Sites and Housing Needs Survey

As you may already know a Neighbourhood Plan is being developed in Crowhurst. With this plan Crowhurst residents can decide where new houses go, what sorts of facilities we need, how we can help to protect the countryside and build community spirit.

We have now got to the stage of shortlisting sites for housing development. This survey is your chance to tell us on which of these sites you would most prefer to see housing.

We would also like to find out about you and your families' housing needs and have some questions on the environment, road safety, parking and community facilities as well.

This survey is in two parts:

Part A - Yellow coloured

Please complete one survey per PERSON

This includes questions about:

- 1. Shortlisted sites preference
- 2. Environment
- 3. Road safety and parking
- 4. Community facilities

Part B - Blue coloured

Please complete one survey per HOUSEHOLD

This includes questions about:

1. You and your families housing needs

We would love to hear from everyone in the village, all ages welcome. If you require more paper copies please let your Street Champion know. Alternatively you could help us save paper and reduce costs by completing your survey online here: www.crowhurstneighbourhoodplan.org

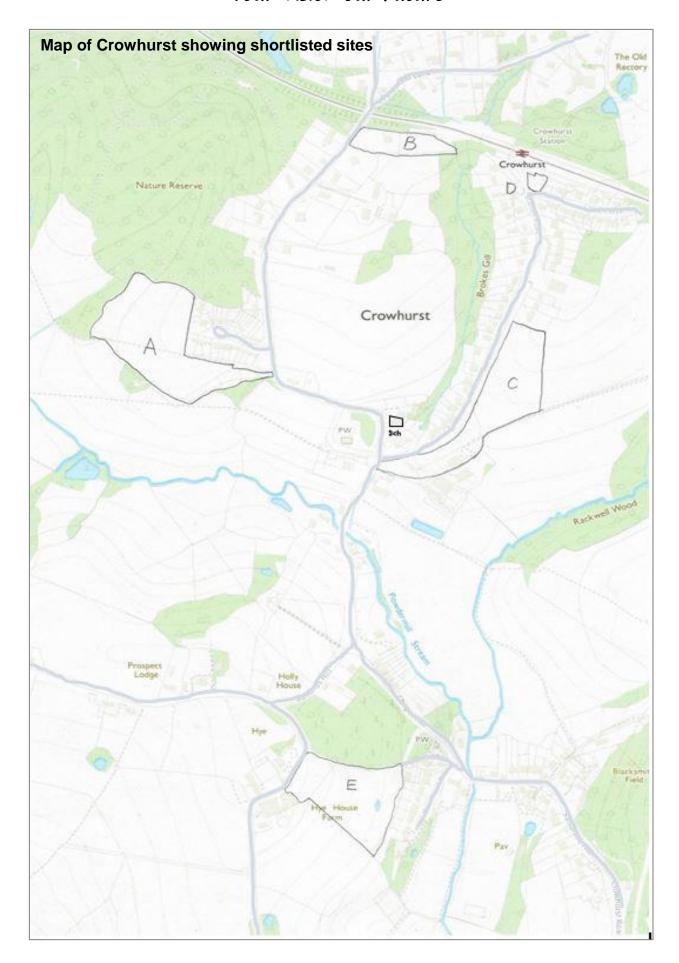
The surveys together will take about 25 minutes to complete. Please tell us what you think, your views are really important, they will be used to develop the Neighbourhood Plan and help shape the future of our village.

Please complete and return the survey by SUNDAY 11th JUNE 2017

Ways to return: Your Street Champion can collect the survey from you, or you can return it to your Street Champion's home, or you can drop it in the box outside the village hall.

If you would like any help completing these surveys, please contact your Street Champion, their contact details are on the front of this survey.

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Shortlisted Site Descriptions

Site A

Field to the West of Forewood Rise combined with Paddock Area to the South of Forewood Rise. This is a combination of two sites suggested (3 and 41). Access could either be via the end of Forewood Rise or direct from Forewood Lane. The site is within the AONB (area of outstanding natural beauty), relatively central, and adjacent to existing houses. Access options, proximity to the Forewood RSPB Reserve, impact upon the 1066 Footpath and other landscape (views) and ecology issues remain. This is a large site, big enough for more than the current allocation of 20 homes, with potential for future expansion and/or additional village amenities.

Site B

Coombe Dell (site of existing bungalow plot), located on East-side of Forewood Lane, immediately South of the Railway Bridge.

Access would be direct from Forewood Lane. The site is within the AONB, relatively central, and well contained (not particularly visible). Access to mains drainage remains an issue. A site of limited size, big enough for about 15 homes.

Site C

Land on the Eastern-side of the Southern-half of Station Road, extending to existing farm buildings.

Access would most likely be from Station Road but Forewood Lane is also a possibility. The site is within the AONB, central, and adjacent to existing houses. The northern end of the site is reasonably well contained, but the southern section is exposed to views. Access options, proximity to Heritage views, surface water and other issues remain. This is a large site, big enough for more than the current allocation of 20 homes, with potential for future expansion and/or additional village amenities.

Site D

Wooded Area to East of Station Car Park.

Access would be from the Station Car Park. The site is central, adjacent to existing houses and close to the Station. Suitable for small flats or similar. Several technical issues, including the existing electricity sub-station remain. This site is of a very limited size and only big enough for about 6 flats.

Site E

Land to the South of the Footpath which is a continuation of Plough Lane, between the rear of the Plough Pub car park and up to and including the corner with Royal Oak Lane.

This is a combination of three sites suggested (18, 34 and 35). Access would most likely be from Royal Oak Lane (although a one-way system utilising Plough Lane has also been suggested). The site is not within the AONB (the only shortlisted site which is not), is central and adjacent to existing houses. Access and ecology issues remain. This is a large site, big enough for more than the current allocation of 20 homes, with potential for future expansion and/or additional village amenities.

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Part A - Please complete one survey per PERSON

Section 1: Shortlisted Sites

Rother District Council have said that we need to find space to build at least 20 new homes in the village, these are to be built in groups of 6 or more. Currently Rother District Council requires that 40% of homes must be affordable (eg. Low rent or shared ownership schemes) but only where a site is for more than 10 new homes. The Neighbourhood Plan will give us the power to say where these new homes should go and what type and style of home they should be.

We received over 50 different suggestions for possible sites from Crowhurst residents. All suggestions were displayed at the recent exhibitions in the village hall. We considered the practical merits of each site, existing development boundaries, and took account of the feedback we received from you following the exhibitions. We have now shortlisted 5 sites for further consideration.

All 5 sites now require further assessment and more detailed technical investigations to establish whether they are suitable for development. Whilst we do these investigations we would like your opinions on preferred sites, types of homes, and how the allocation of homes to each site might be made. Once we have established technical suitability and identified your preferences, we will be able to draft a plan for you to comment on.

1. Rother District Council have said that we need to find space to build at least 20 new homes in the village. National guidelines require additional homes to be built in groups of 6 or more.

If these sites are assessed as suitable for development, how many homes do you think would be acceptable for each of these sites?

Please tick one option for each site

	6 homes	7 to 10 homes	11 to 15 homes	16 to 20 homes	More than 20 homes (if more homes are required in the future)	None of these	Don't know
Site A Could fit over 20							
Site B Could fit up to 15							
Site C Could fit over 20							
Site D Could fit up to 6							
Site E Could fit over 20							

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2. To meet housing needs new homes are likely to be a mix of sizes, types and styles. We know from our previous survey that you would like new homes to be sympathetic and in keeping with the style of existing surrounding homes.

Bearing this in mind which style of house do you think should be the MAIN STYLE for each site?

Please tick one option for each site

	Terraced houses	Semi- detached houses	Detached houses	Bungalows	Apartments/ Flats/ Maisonettes	None of these	Don't know
Site A							
Site B							
Site C							
Site D							
Site E							

3. Rother District Council policy states that new developments should contain a mix of sizes with 30% being one or two bed homes.

What proportion of one or two bed homes do you think would be appropriate for any new developments in Crowhurst?

Please tick one option only

None	60%
10%	70%
20%	80%
30%	90%
40%	100%
50%	Don't know

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Third

Fifth

Don't

Fourth

4. Rother District Council have said that we need to build at least 20 new homes in the village. Please rank the sites in order of your preference for housing development.

Please tick one option for each site

Second

First

	Choice	Choice	Choice	Choice	Choice	Know
Site A						
Site B						
Site C						
Site D						
Site E						

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Section 2: Environment

From our previous survey we know that the following are very important to residents: having green spaces and woodland areas within the village that are not for development, maintaining the views of the countryside and maintaining the rural and farming character of the village.

6. Thinking about the future of the environment in Crowhurst, how important are the following to you...

Please tick one option for each statement

	Very important	Fairly important	Not very important	Not at all important	Don't know
keeping the views and green gaps throughout the village					
keeping farmhouses with their farmland to protect the farming character of village					
including landscaping measures in new developments (of any scale) to promote movement of wildlife between habitats (e.g hedgerows, greenspaces)					
minimising the removal of trees and other flora during development and ensuring trees have space to mature without causing future problems					
designing-in biodiversity improvements to developments e.g nesting boxes for "at-risk" wildlife					
encouraging any new developments to ensure risk of flooding is minimised / not made worse e.g by using permeable surfaces or soak-aways					

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7. Crowhurst has a relatively high proportion of fuel poverty, meaning energy costs for residents are above average. How important is it for new developments to...

Please tick one option for each statement

	Very important	Fairly important	Not very important	Not at all important	Don't know
include renewable energy such as solar hot water/solar photovoltaic, heat pumps					
include porches on new homes to reduce heat loss					
orientate new homes to maximise solar gain					

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Section 3: Road Safety and Parking

From our previous survey we know that traffic speeds, pedestrian safety and parking are major concerns for residents in the village. Many people felt that lower speed limits, more pavements and traffic calming measures would most improve road safety.

8. Where do you think new or improved pavements and traffic calming measures are MOST needed?

Please tick a maximum of **four** areas for each

	New or improved pavements (Max 4 choices)	Traffic calming measures (Max 4 choices)
Sandrock Hill		
Recreation Ground/Blacksmith's Field		
Chapel Hill		
Ballards Hill towards Catsfield		
Area between Ballards Hill and Station Road		
School, Village Hall, Church Area		
Station Road		
Forewood Rise to the Railway Bridge		
'Above the Bridge' to Brakes Coppice		
None of these areas		
Don't know		
Please tell us about any other areas you think n	eed new or improved pave	ements or traffic calming:

9. Which, if any of the following, would be your preferred method of traffic calming? Please tick your first, second and third choice

	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice	Don't know
20mph zones				
Flashing signs				
Road marking schemes				
Bollards / lane restrictions (i.e. something similar to the priority system outside the school and church)				
Speed bumps (Please note this would require street lighting)				
Extending 30mph zones				

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10. How much wo new or improv Please tick one	ed paveme	ents where		•	ood plan p	olicy to end	courage	
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11. How much wo right-of-way, p alternative to the Please tick one	oroviding a the road, a	n all-weatl	her walkin	g (push-ch	air) and cy	cle route a	s a safer	
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	No off- street parking spaces	1 off- street parking space	2 off- street parking spaces	3 off- street parking spaces	4 off- street parking spaces	More than 4 off-street parking spaces	Don't know	
1 bedroom home								•
2 bedroom home								
3 bedroom home								
4 bedroom home and larger								

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13. What do you think of ON-STREET parking in the following areas?

Please tick as many as apply for each area

	There is not enough space to park	Parking causes traffic problems /congestion	Parking reduces pedestrian safety	Parking is not a problem for me in this area	Don't know
Forewood Rise					
School, Church and Village Hall					
Station Road					
Blacksmiths Field / Sampsons Lane					
Recreation Ground					
Please tell us about				you, and what	

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14. As part of the Neighbourhood Plan we could include general policies on parking. How much would you support or oppose policies designed to do the following....

Please tick one option for each statement

	Strongly support	Slightly support	Neither support nor oppose	Slightly oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
encourage and support measures within any development proposals to improve off-street parking provision						
encourage and support measures within any development proposal which alleviates residential on- street parking problems						
encourage and support measures to improve amenity and community facility parking in the village						

15. How much would you support or oppose a specific proposal to provide a parking bay for 10 to 12 cars along the road west of the top entrance to the Church, to alleviate parking congestion around the school, church, village hall and the junction of Station Road? The proposal would include landscape mitigation to protect views and introducing amenities such as public benches for viewing the valley.

Please tick one option only

Strongly support	
Slightly support	Forewood La
Neither support nor oppose	Forewood Ln
Slightly oppose	Parish Church Crowhurst Village Hall E Prima of Saint George
Strongly oppose	
Don't know	

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Section 4: Community Life

From our previous survey we know that the village hall, recreation ground and pavilion and the pub are felt to be important community facilities.

16	The current Village Hall is reaching the end of its viability and will need replacing soon. Would you like a new or refurbished Village Hall in the village? Please tick one option only
	Yes - a new village hall
	Yes - a refurbished village hall
	No
	Don't know
17	The youth club building, situated behind the recreation ground pavilion, is also reaching the end of its viability and will need replacing soon. Would you like a new or refurbished youth club building in the village? Please tick one option only
	Yes - a new youth club building
	Yes - a refurbished youth club building
	No
	Don't know
18	.Do you think the village hall and youth club facilities should be combined into one building or do you think they should remain two separate buildings? Please tick one option only
	Combined
	Separate
	Don't know
19	In our previous survey many people felt clubs, groups and activities for young people were important. Which age groups do you think need activities in the village? Please tick as many as apply
	0 to 5 year olds e.g.playgroups, playgrounds, pre-school activities
	6 to 12 year olds e.g.children's clubs, groups, playgrounds, sports, activities
	13 to 18 year olds e.g.teenager clubs, groups, sports, activities
	Don't know

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20. Would you be willing to volunteer to help deliver activities for any of these age groups? Please tick one option for each age group

	Yes	No	Maybe	Don't know
0 to 5 year olds				
6 to 12 year olds				
13 to 18 year olds				
Don't know				

21. Which, if any, facilities would you like to see in a new village hall/ new youth club/ new combined building?

Please tick all that apply

	New/ Refurbished Village Hall	New/ Refurbished Youth Club building	New combined building		
Stage for performances					
Kitchen area for catering					
Large indoor hall space					
Separate meeting/ activity rooms					
Community shop					
Coffee shop/ Tea rooms					
Sports facilities					
Changing rooms					
Outdoor Space					
Don't know					
Please write in any other suggestions for facilities below:					

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22. Where would you like a new or refurbished village hall, new or refu	irbished youth club
building or new combined building to be located?	-

Please tick one location for each building

	Current Village Hall Site	Recreation Ground	Linked to the new housing development sites	Don't know	
New/ Refurbished Village Hall					
New/ Refurbished Youth Club building					
New combined building					
Please write in any other suggest	ions for locations	s below:			
23. The funds to refurbish or build a new village hall, youth club or combined building would come from a combination of fundraising, grants and other sources including a loan. To repay the loan the Parish Council could raise the parish precept - the small part (4%) of your council tax bill that goes to the village. The amount of the parish precept varies depending on what band council tax you pay. This year for a band D house the parish precept came to £75. Would you support a rise to your parish precept (the small part of your council tax bill that goes to the village) to help pay for a refurbished or new village hall, youth club					
building or combined building Please tick one option only	iig:				
Yes - Increase of £1 to £2	5 per year				
Yes - Increase of £26 to £	, ,				
Yes - Increase of £51 to £	.75 per year				
Yes - Increase of more that	Yes - Increase of more than £75 per year				
Yes - Other amount, pleas	Yes - Other amount, please write in:				
No					
Don't know					

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24. The developers who build new homes in Crowhurst will have to pay a Community Infrastructure Levy – money that can be spent on improving community infrastructure. The amount they have to pay varies depending on the floor space of the new homes.

What would you most like to see this money spent on?

Please tick your first, second and third choice

	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice	Don't know
Pavements – alongside the roads				
Footpaths and greenways – through the countryside				
Traffic calming measures				
Parking				
Flood protection				
Community facilities such as a new/ refurbished village hall, youth club or combined building				
Please write in any other suggestions you have below	<i>.</i>			
25. The Parish Council own the telephone phone box by The Plough pub, it has no telephone and is no longer serviced by BT. Do you have any suggestions for its use going forwards? Please write in below				
26. Please tell us if you have any other comments about the Crowhurst Neighbourhood plan in the box below.				

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A little more about you

You're almost finished.... finally, a few more questions about you. We're asking these questions to help ensure that we capture the views of everyone in the village. All of your personal information will be strictly confidential.

27. Gender Pease tick one option only Male	31. How long have you lived in Crowhurst? Please tick one option only Up to a year		
Female Prefer not to answer	1 to 5 years 6 to 10 years 11 to 15 years		
28. Age group Please tick one option only Under 18 years 18 - 29 years 30 - 44 years 45 - 64 years 65 - 74 years 75 + years Prefer not to answer	16 to 20 years 21 or more All my life Don't know / can't remember 32. Working status Please tick one option only		
29. Ethnicity Please tick one option only White Mixed Asian or Asian Britich Black or Black British Chinese Other ethnicity Prefer not to answer	Volunteer worker Unemployed Student / studying Retired / semi- retired Home Maker Employed part-time Employed full-time Self employed Carer Prefer not to answer		
30. Do you have any long-term illness, health problem or disability which	33. Your Postcode (Optional)		
limits your daily activities or the work you can do? Please tick one option only Yes No Prefer not to answer	33. If you would like to receive regular email updates about the Neighbourhood Plan please leave your email address below		

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Thank you

Thank you for taking the time to get involved. Your views are valued and will be used to develop our Neighbourhood Plan and help shape the future of our village.

Please make sure that one person in your household has completed the blue coloured part B of this survey to tell us about your housing needs.

You can find out more about the Neighbourhood Plan on our website: www.crowhurstneighbourhoodplan.org

If you would like to discuss this survey or anything about the Neighbourhood Plan look out for our posters and come along to our next community meeting, we hope to see you there!