

Focus Group Feedback

Part one

- Consultants have done a very good job – well done.
- What were the responses for paying for extra parking? And parking charges?
- Why wasn't South Rd mentioned in parking chaos (weekend mornings especially).
- No problem with reallocation with Joan Strong and bungalow, if good alternative found and parking – only on site – not development.
- What is happening to front of Abbot House – needs demolition or reuse car parking?
- Land to side of Abbot House?
- Good to see cycling up to doctors – but extend to Blackpot then to East Rd, then to Prince William.
- Parking outside China Town causes problems too – also last bay before Gardenways in 'Vicarage' carpark.
- Who will pay for acquisition of Council sites?
- Will Fairline be restricted from using Joan Strong Centre?
- Residents in a small town like this should not pay for parking.
- Ambitious idea for park and ride but.... If we are a 'Transition Town' could it be a possibility? Many think it is a no no.
- What about the relationship with Oundle School.
- What are the forecasts for population growth.
- Speed limit needs to start outside the town with 40 before 30.
- Cycleways all round town otherwise disjointed.
- There will be East Rd traffic flow consequences as a result of Joan Strong/Mind bungalow.
- South Road tennis courts owned by Oundle School, how will this work? – General view is that this is a good ideas.
- Speed limits as wide as possible.
- Should have one way round Market Place.
- Raising table level is a good idea – but what about the cost?
- A one way system – South Rd, Mill Rd, Benefield Rd, Milton Rd, Blackpot Lane, East Rd back to South Rd – would be easy to implement and cost effective.
- Not appropriate to widen war memorial re – cycle racks as there is already a problem with traffic hold ups.
- Why if you take away 2 parking slots to alleviate the problem, you then want to reduce the road again with widening the war memorial!
- Use of Fletton House site must give due consideration to needs of medical centre, library, and access to Stronglands and Magdalene House.
- We support the 20 mile and hour limit within the town – the whole of Oundle.
- The table in the centre of town is a good idea - bike racks are a good idea but not around the War Memorial.
- Cycle option for fuel saving.

- Sort out Riverside pub!
- Approve cycleways and raised tables.
- Inappropriate to put cycle racks next to war memorial.
- Keep buses out of town.
- Reducing parking outside Great Hall.
- Further consideration of parking issues on Benefield Road,
- Traffic calming down North Street.
- Send buses down St. Peters road to improve flow.
- Car parking – restrict parking in town centre.
- Lease South Road to Oundle Juniors.
- Plan is too short term.
- Raised tables may cause accidents.
- Like one way.
- Traffic survey too limited.

Part two

- Abbot House site and field next door (plus library) and 'gym' use for Oundle Primary. Move all to a Community facility – must be gym for sport use and Primary School.
- Lowest cost option – For school BUT needs a permanent oversight by paid staff at the school.
- A real multi-purpose build – not a cheap option if all facilities for sport included.
- Must be more than 'empty space'
- Day centre for elderly, mentally infirm, at Fletton House. Hub for voluntary bodies. All charities (eg volunteer action) can pool resources and facilities, telephones etc.
- Not on the list but Abbot House would be ideal.
- Pocket Park – in second place
- Fletton House – expansion
- Fletton House would be the preferable site for a community centre.
- Prince William School would be ideal as school and community would benefit.
- Sports facility needs to be available day time and evening, for use by pre-school and retired persons use.
- In an ideal world Fletton House is the best location for mopping up all the community groups, including Joan Strong.
- Prince William is the best location for sports activities, providing you can get access and suitable pricing.
- Fletton and Mason House should be linked.
- Contrary to sell Drill Hall.
- Expansion of PWS not appropriate.
- Community centre at Fletton House.
- Use existing facilities better.
- Need to understand affect on schooling of new housing.

Part Three

- Possible route for new bus bays is to round about outside Oundle then New Road to Middle School.
- Must have bus bay from PWS A605 IMMEDIATELY.
- A lot of congestion daily at all times caused by vehicles off-loading outside Cottons.
- 'Disabled' cars being 'abandoned' outside narrow road stretches re: outside Beans.
- One way in Market Place.
- Still very keen on a one-way system. 20 mph. Enabling you to go too fast is a contradiction – given you are trying to get cars to start moving again.
- Don't think much to the New road – effect on sports clubs.
- Change to a 2 tier school system. The current Middle school to become Primary. PWS to be secondary and the current Primary school to be available for development / car parking.
- Perimeter Rd concept to extend over the river and behind Laxton estate.
- We like the coach parking off the A605 ideas
- Do not allow lorries to go over Mill Rd in the future – very damaging for very old properties.
- Have they considered Milton Rd as being one-way?
- The one-way suggestion in the Market Place is a good idea.
- If Northern Perimeter Rd is introduced where would existing sports facilities relocate?
- How would this fit with new community/sports facility?
- Does this cause curtailed future development of these sports clubs?
- It is not worth building a new road just to send a few buses to the Middle School. Glaphorn Rd traffic would not turn into Cotterstock Rd but go down New Rd or Blackpot Lane as now.
- We applaud the one-way system around the Market Place.
- There is merit in exploring the distributor Road but there must be adequate provision for alternative sites for the various clubs affected.
- We also support the school drop off on the A605.
- Prefer concept of northern bypass with additional river crossing letting developers pay for it.
- Market place one way is good.
- PWS drop off good idea.
- Distributor road not sure about.
- Distributor road is too expensive.
- Roundabout on A605 good idea to link Ashton/Herne Road estate to A605.