

**Comments made following the Neighbourhood Plan “Update” meeting
held on Wednesday 13th July 2016**

- 30 Definite need for a community hall. Clear footpaths to connect different areas of Paddock Wood and must be clearly lit. Extend the pavement towards the garden centre and hop farm. Good quality restaurant/pub needed. Protect Foalhurst Wood – wildlife and leisure.
- 31 Well presented plan showing good ideas and a reasonable outline framework for the future. It wasn't shown, but a roundabout is needed at the town side of the railway bridge to allow a better flow of traffic for a partial one way system.
- 32 Better public transport services are needed not less. Improvement of the Health Centre ie social care/health centre hub. Support Community Centre in Memorial Field. Swimming pool needed at Putlands Centre. Walking friendly town centre needed. Better cycleways and wider footpaths outside town centre.
33. Town Centre group – David Marriott pleased to join. Email address provided.
- 34 Good ideas especially community centre on Maidstone Road where people will find it easily. Remember disabled people – that is not just wheelchair users but also people with learning and other disabilities.
- 35 Tennis Courts to be moved to Putlands where key is kept. PW LOGO should include hops and oast houses. Another primary school, supermarket and health centre needed?
- 36 Really need a good sized community centre in a central place with plenty of parking and various sized rooms. Worried about more flooding if building allowed on Church Farm. Fearful that all the work conserving wildlife at Foalhurst will be destroyed if building is allowed near by. Best option for new housing is Green Lane.
37. Make more 20mph speed restrictions – cuts noise, vibration and safer (use width restriction not bumps especially Green Lane/Mascalls if new school goes on junction. Create a safe drop zone outside school so parents don't need to park and then walk children to school.
- 38 High profile bus stops with good information on services and timetables. Include detailed maps showing location of stops at railway station/high st etc
- 39 Very interesting and encouraging. Should be looking actively at financing at the same time as planning the improvements to town, as this can take some time to plan.
- 40 Excellent presentation with much clarification. Thanks for huge topic being so successfully précised. Thanks for the presenter's patience and really well balanced talk along with great humour and respect for those present.
- 41 The outgoing Prime Minister has just given to go ahead for a new Paddock Wood Free School. Where is this going? How big will it be? Where will the children come from? Is this part of the 1000 house plan? The PM said that this school will be completed by 2018. Is this feasible?

- 42 We the town of Paddock Wood are in desperate need of a swimming pool. For years we have asked for this and refusals have been made. Is there to be a review of this facility? Old and young alike like will benefit from this.
- 43 Community Centre at Memorial Field – is this proposed area big enough to accommodate 300 people (sadly I don't think so) Matfield hall can accommodate 150 people. The old Hop Pocket site – hotel?
- 44 Big vision. Big plans. Big budget.
- 45 Swimming pool much needed.
- 46 Infrastructure first then development
- 47 It would make sense to make Commercial Rd one way and allow parking for free on both sides of the road.
- 48 Consider for Commercial Rd to be made one way to alleviate dangers of double parking and make it safer for pedestrians to cross.
- 49 Essential that pedestrians and cyclists take precedence over vehicular traffic, so provision of adequate parking is essential as part of the overall plan. Long overdue rationalisation of derelict land behind Barsley's as open space with retail units. Safe crossing between town centre and health centre essential. Linking of new residential areas with footpaths and cycle paths and green areas important. More use of "shared spaces". What worked in Ashford could apply to Paddock Wood.
- 50 Idealised pie in the sky !! Without massive changes to infrastructure, using the Town Centre will be a nightmare and commuting from the town will present a huge challenge owing to bottlenecks at Mascalls Court Rd, Warrington Rd, Allington Rd etc. More non commuter parking in town centre will be required, not less!
- 51 Need to improve transport infrastructure eg buses after 7 and on Sundays.
- 52 Need a good restaurant and pubs. Change "Pikey Wood" to "Paddock Wood"
- 53 Water treatment works before building!
- 54 Bus on Sunday. Junction by health centre pedestrianisation
- 55 Put pedestrians and cyclists first in existing town and new areas. Needs to be realistic not tokenism eg like Cambridge. Wesley Centre could be a new gallery to replace Mascalls Gallery. Could be like the Stanley Spencer Gallery in Cookham. Encourage gardening groups to plant out in existing planting pots and create sensory gardens eg behind the Wesley Centre.
- 56 Wesley Centre to become a cinema. Dowding House?
- 57 Comprehensive talk. Feel much more in touch with what may happen within the next 18 months. Thank you.