

**Responses to Consultation on Character Appraisal**

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General	1	Missing Buildings photographs and descriptions	Noted. These will be incorporated	Amend Appraisal document accordingly
General	10	<p>Who at Norfolk highways has only one brain cell and gets given the job of planning the road closure in Rushford and the Diversions? The road is closed, at the top of the Thetford road at the 1066 there is a road closed sign. But no sign at the top of crabapple lane. So all day we have had cars vans and lorries and tractors coming down crabapple lane to see a diversion sign sending them back to the 1066, and guess what destroying the verges and the grass triangle.</p> <p>It's about time the PC made some noise about the small things that affect people's lives," my life"! It would be a</p>	The Rushford section of the CA will be recast to include more photos and have its own sub section	<p>Consideration is being given to re-ordering the Character Appraisal Work by Character Area</p> <p>Appraisal to be amended accordingly</p>

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		<p>good idea if PC members read the guide on the website on how to be a good parish councillor! It might open a few eyes.</p> <p>I have also read the booklets handed out at the drop in centre in Croxton regarding the Neighbourhood plans. Rushford has two pages! Just two? to make it worst the text is hardly representative of Rushford, I am sure the Sheik could have written a better description of Rushford. It's absolute rubbish.</p> <p>I hope the revised version takes into account of what the villages had to say about our village when we got involved and asked all our neighbours to make a statement about Rushford, also it incorporates some of the photographs taken around the village.</p>		

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Page 20	11	<p>Just gone through the character Appraisal, overall its very good although there is one aspect that I'm not sure about concerning the vicarage.</p> <p>Under areas for improvements the paragraph states that building would be considered to assist in costs towards improvements to the property. This was never a consideration.</p>	<p>It should be noted that the site lies outside of the current settlement boundary for Croxton and also that the proposal from Breckland is to remove the settlement boundary in its entirety; therefore realistically the prospects of development being acceptable in this location are very low and the JNP policy will need to be recast to reflect this..</p>	<p>Policy to be recast to remove reference to development at the Vicarage</p>
Page 8	8	<p>Harling Drove was so called because it was used by drovers to take their sheep to the East Harling Sheep Sales – boys from the village were paid a penny to watch the sheep while the</p>	<p>Comments noted. And could usefully be incorporated into appraisal</p>	<p>Amend appraisal accordingly.</p>

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		shepherds came into the village to have a drink at the local!		
Page 8	8	Bronze Age Flints have also been found on the Hadlers Hole field behind Melville and Harefield Roads	Comments noted and appraisal to be amended to pick this information up	Amend appraisal accordingly
Page 14	6	Primitive Methodist Chapel under a slate(?) roof..... er look at the photograph	Agreed.	Amend description accordingly.
Page 15	6	Can hardly be described as a village shop. It is a minor rural Post Office which I imagine is likely to close in the not too distant future in the face of local competition.	Comments noted.	No change
Page 18	6	"Thatched flint cottage" part flint mainly rendered and painted white	Agreed	Amend document accordingly
Page 19	8	Should read Fibrowatt	Fibrowatt is the name of the company ,who refer to it as	No change

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			"Fibrothet" to distinguish it from their other operations	
Page 20	6	Large Copper Beech tree at Hall Farm listed as one of BDC amenity assets	Comments noted. It is not clear if this is being referred to as a TPO?	Check with BDC for TPOs
Page 21	6	Accuracy of description "Quiet rural village"???	Is an individual subjective view	Consider changing to " <b>relatively</b> quiet rural village"
page 8	4	Character Assessment for Rushford recognised as inadequate and fails to identify enhancements see Planning Aid for ref.	Character Appraisals were carried out for each parish. The Rushford Character appraisal survey work used a different template to the others and did not identify any enhancements.  The 30 day informal consultation itself presented a further opportunity for information relating to the Character Appraisals to be provided however this was not taken up by the local	Consideration is being given to re-ordering the Character Appraisal Work by Character Area

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			<p>team.</p> <p>It is proposed to re-order the Character Appraisal for the formal consultation and recast it with each parish/or part parish having its own section rather than the thematic delineation that has currently been used which may help to address this specific issue.</p> <p>However the JNP policies and the Character Appraisals will undergo further amendments and there will be further opportunities to comment on the wording during the next formal stage of consultation in Spring 2017.</p>	