

Diss and District Neighbourhood Plan

Brome & Oakley Issues and Options Community Survey

About this Survey

Introduction

The Diss and District Neighbourhood Plan covers seven parishes. This survey contains some detailed questions for **BROME and OAKLEY**, plus a number of general questions applicable to all.

You can if you wish complete the survey for multiple parishes, for example if you live in **BROME** and **OAKLEY**, but you also want to answer the Diss questions you can request the **DISS** version of the survey. Participation in the survey is totally voluntary but, if you decide to take part, your time is very much appreciated.

All participants who complete the survey, can opt into a prize draw to win 5x £20 shopping vouchers. All responses will be treated as anonymous and you are not required to provide your name or contact details, except where you choose to enter into the prize draw.

There are text boxes throughout this survey, some bigger than others for you to add a comment or to explain an answer. If you run out of space in one, feel free to use another text box (but please do remember to indicate what question your comments refer to!). There is also space at the end of the survey for you to add anything you think hasn't been covered.

If you'd like to find out more about the neighbourhood plan, or have a question relating to this survey, or indeed would like to act as a volunteer to help with this interesting work, please let your local parish clerk know, and a member of the steering group will be in touch'. By completing the survey, you consent to allowing your responses to be used by the Neighbourhood Planning project. All information will be stored securely on UK-based servers, compliant with GDPR rules. For further information, please see our Privacy Policy.

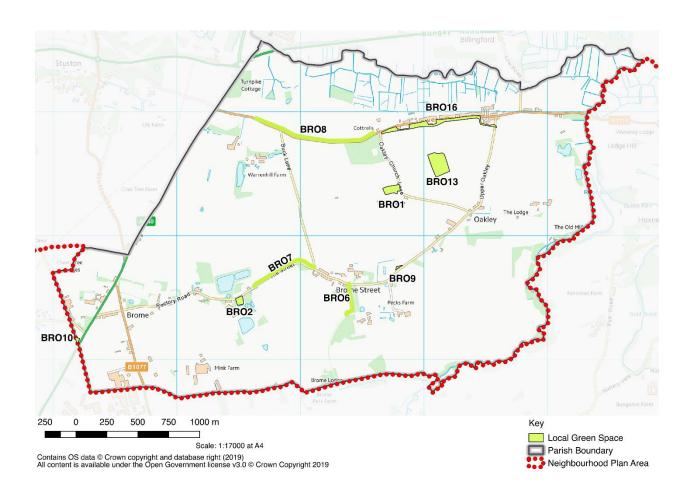
Thank you

Diss & District Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Brome and Oakley

1 Local Green Spaces

The Neighbourhood Plan will designate some green areas that are especially important to the community as Local Green Spaces. These need to meet a set of national criteria which requires them to be demonstrably special and hold particular significance to the local community. They may be demonstrably special by virtue of their beauty, historic significance, recreational value, tranquillity or richness of wildlife. The following green spaces have been suggested by the Neighbourhood Plan working group in Brome and Oakley.

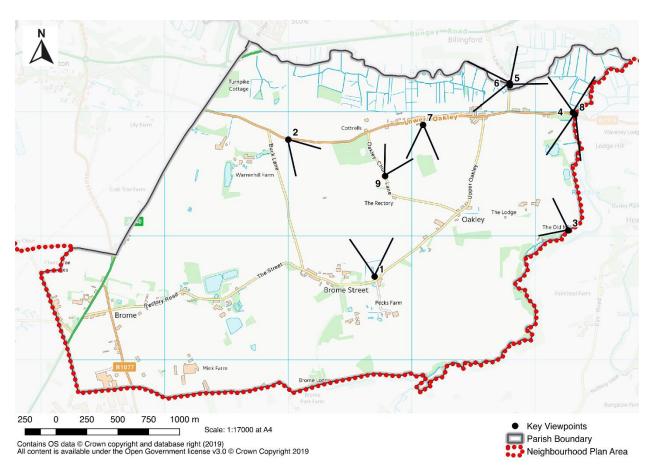


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	Strongly Agree	Agree	Not Sure	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
BRO1: St Nicholas' Churchyard					
BRO2: St Mary's Churchyard					
BRO6: Brome Avenue Permissive Path					
BRO7: Brome Street Permissive Path					
BRO8: Warren Hills Permissive Path					
BRO9: Pound Plantation					
BRO10: Brome Field					
BRO13: Woodland – The Grove					
BRO16: Lower Oakley Field Margin					
Please add any specific these green spaces are missed.					

2 Key Viewpoints

The Neighbourhood Plan will identify key views within Diss & District which depict the area's special qualities. These may be of the landscape, iconic views of the village or historic features such as the church and its setting. The plan will seek to protect these views for future enjoyment. The following key views have been identified within Brome and Oakley:



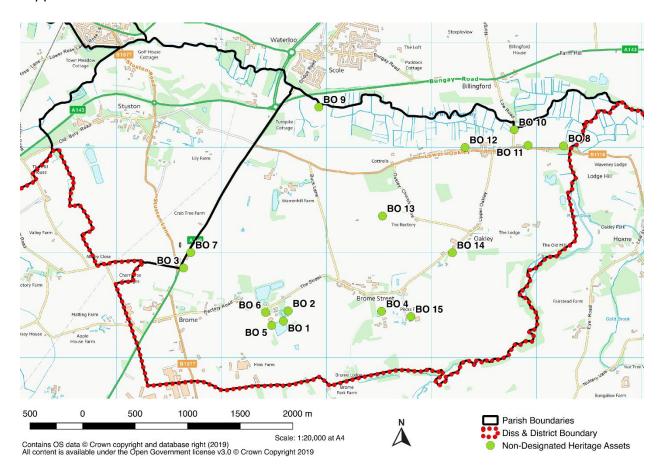
Photographs of these views have been included at the end of this survey. To what extent do you agree that these viewpoints should be preserved for future enjoyment?

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Not Sure	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1: Oakley Church from Brickleside	, <u> </u>				
2: Oakley Church from Warren Hills					
3: Oakley Park House from Oakley Mill drive					
4: Waveney meadows from Red Bridge					

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Not Sure	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
5: Waveney meadows east of Billingford Bridge					
6: Waveney meadows west of Billingford Bridge					
7: The Grove from Lower Oakley					
8: Dove meadows south from Red Bridge					
9: View down the rise from Church Lane					
Please leave any common should be identified in				f other key pub	lic views which

3 Heritage Assets

Protection already exists for listed buildings through national policy and guidance. The Neighbourhood Plan can add to this by identifying other buildings or structures of local historic importance, referring to them as non-designated heritage assets. The local Historic Environment Record has been used as a starting point to identifying any assets of historic significance that are not already designated in some way. Local knowledge has been used to supplement this.



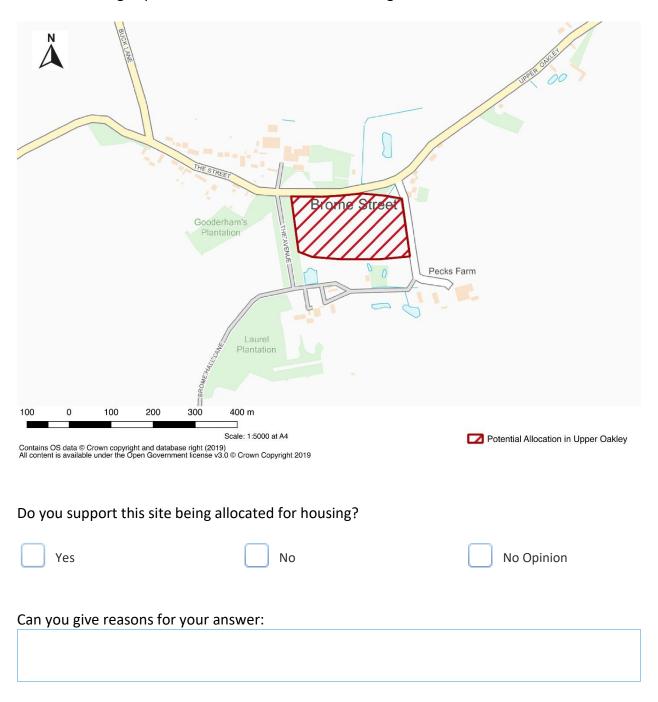
To what extent do you agree that these heritage assets are important?

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Not Sure	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
BO1 Moated Site SW of St. Mary's Church.					
BO2 Medieval moat east of St. Mary's Church.					
BO3 Devil's Handbasin.					

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Not Sure	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
BO4 Brome Hall (site only).					
BO5 Nikke's Lane. Site of deserted medieval village.					
BO6 Farmstead; Church Farm (50% remaining).					
BO7 Milepost on the A140					
BO8 Red Bridge (remnant).					
BO9 Roman Road (remnant).					
BO10 Billingford Bridge.					
BO11 Dove Barn					
BO12 Oaklands Farmstead					
BO13 Outfarm Low Barn					
BO14 Capon's Farmhouse/Long Beren (part)					
BO15 Pecks Farm (Brome Farm) (part)					

4 New Homes in Brome and Oakley

The housing requirement for Brome and Oakley from Mid-Suffolk Council is zero, and so the neighbourhood plan is not required to allocate any sites for housing. However, allocating small sites for housing can still meet a local housing need and help local people get on the housing ladder. The Parish Council has recommended allocation of a site for possible future development at Brickle Meadow (currently agricultural land) in Upper Oakley subject to conditions being imposed on the total number of dwellings. The site is illustrated here:

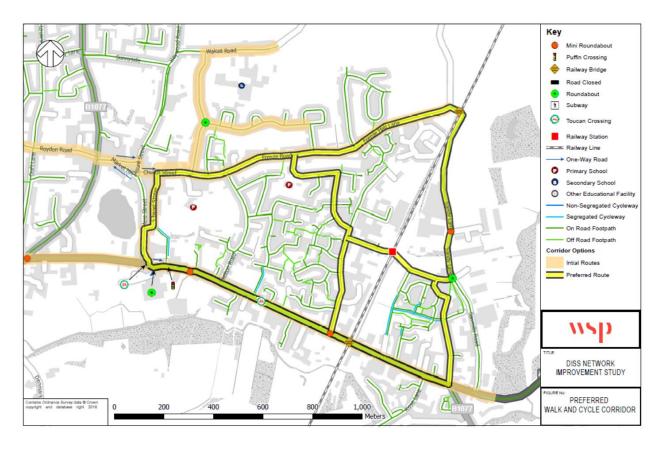


Walking and Cycling

5 Walking and Cycling across the Neighbourhood Plan area

Helping people get about in a more healthy and sustainable way is important. The Neighbourhood Plan would like to encourage people to walk or cycle more, and for them to feel safe to do so.

A plan for the Diss network has been developed; note that this does not yet include the new development at Walcott Green and its pedestrian/cycle link. This needs a number of improvements, especially to help people wishing to cycle. These improvements are listed below.



Can you indicate which are your top five priorities for improvements?

	First Priority	Second Priority	Third Priority	Fourth Priority	Fifth Priority
Improved route from					
the junction of					\Box
Skelton Road and				\cup	
Frenze Road,					

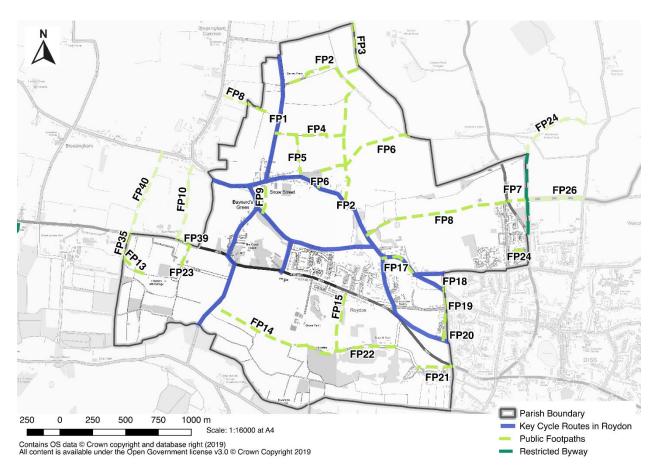
	First Priority	Second Priority	Third Priority	Fourth Priority	Fifth Priority
connecting with the A1066					
New on or off route					
cycle lane at the beginning of the					
junction with The					
Entry to Walcot Rise					
Widening the existing footpath and					
wayfinding signs at			\Box		
Field House Gardens					
New crossing point to improve access to the					
Railway Station at	\cup				\cup
Vince's Road New cycle parking and					
signage at the Railway					
Station					
Continuation of the existing shared-use					
cycleway from Diss					
Leisure Centre to connect with the					
pedestrian crossing					
opposite Diss					
Methodist Church Improvements to					
wayfinding, general					
signage and cycle			\sqcup		
parking in Diss Town Centre					
Extend the shared-use					
cycleway past Prince William Way until the					
junction of Frenze Hall					
Lane and Walcot					
Green Extend the shared-use					
cycleway from					
Sawmills Road to the A1066	_		J		J
Create a new					
walking/cycling	\cup		\cup	\cup	\cup

	First Priority	Second Priority	Third Priority	Fourth Priority	Fifth Priority
network linking to					
existing paths at					
Walcot Green					
New signage and					
advisory cycle route	$\overline{}$				
along Station Road to	\cup				
improve access to the					
Railway Station					
Explore options for					
opening up the route					
to cyclists from					
Mere's Mouth, along	\cup				
Madgetts Walk and					
through the Park, to					
Denmark Street					
Improve the track					
from the railway					
bridge that runs past					
Frenze Hall and comes	[]				
out at Diss Business	_	_	_	_	_
Centre, to make it					
suitable for cyclists					
6 Diss Town Centre					
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Do you think that Diss t			=	trian intendiy, n	iaking it safer,
more pleasant and easi	ier for people	to walk around	ŗ		
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Yes	L	No		No Opi	nion
7 Walking and Cycli	ing in Brom	e and Oakley			
The introduction of a co	ycle path fron	n the new round	dabout (northe	ern one) on the	A140 to the
junction with western	end of Rectory	, Road Brome w	here it meets	the B1077, has	been
identified as a priority f	for improving	walking and cyc	cling links from	Brome and Oa	kley into Diss.
To what extent do you	agree that thi	s is a priority?			
Strongly Agree		Not Sure		Strongl	y Disagree
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Agree	L	Disagree			

If you have other suggestions of walking and cycling improvements please add these here:

8 Walking and cycling in Roydon

Below is a map of the key walking and cycle routes in Roydon.



The following improvements have been identified. Please rank these in order of the priority you think they should be delivered.

- A new footpath/bike lane around the wood at the corner of the field opposite Hall Lane to provide improved access to Doit Lane – to travel south out of Roydon
- Close Baynards Lane to motor vehicles from its junction with Swamp Lane in the east to just before Hall Lane at its western end to improve safety for walking and cycling (access retained for tractors)
- 30mph along the A1066 between Hall Lane and Bellrope Lane to improve safety for walking and cycling

If you have any other suggestions of improvements which could be made please make them here

9 Walking and cycling in Burston and Shimpling What ideas do you have about improving facilities for walking and cycling in Burston and Shimpling?				
10 Walking and cycling in Stuston What ideas do you have about improving facilities for walking and cycling in Stuston?				
11 Walking and Cycling in Palgrave				
The following walking and cycling improvements have been suggested to improve walking and cycling access from Palgrave into Diss.				
Please rank these in order of the priority you would like to see them delivered:				
 Extension to the Victoria Road cycle track to provide a safer and more attractive traffic free route from Palgrave to Diss Extension of the Waveney Riverside Path from Lowes Bridge to Denmark Green to enable Fair Green residents to gain access to the supermarkets and the town centre without using Park Road. 				
If you have other suggestions of walking and cycling improvements please add these here:				
12 Walking and Cycling in Scole The following walking and cycling improvements have been suggested for Scole				
Please rank these in order of the priority you would like to see them delivered:				
 Improve Millers Lane route to Diss (RB32/RB9 & Diss RB38) Flax farm Byway/Footpath reroute (RB35/FP36) Improve the footpath along the A1066, including widening and developing a new permissive path, a crossing at Frenze Beck and over the A140 Improve signage 				
If you have other suggestions of walking and cycling improvements, please add these here:				

General Questions

13 Diss Leisure Centre

The Neighbourhood Plan is ambitious about a new Leisure Centre opening in Diss which provides better facilities and becomes a hub for local services based in the community. It is not possible to deliver this on the current Leisure Centre site just off the A1066, so a new site will need to be found. What factors do you think are important when selecting a site for the new Leisure Centre?

	Close to the town centre					
	Good highway access and easy to get to for residents of surrounding parishes, avoiding mostly residential roads					
	Good access for people war	nting to walk or cycle				
	Ample room for parking					
	A brownfield or previously o	developed site rather than green o	pen space			
	Avoid land protected for na	ture conservation				
Getti neigh those includ	nbourhood plan or whether in e sites which become availab ded as allocated land in a pla	n any site is important, whether the tis a 'windfall' site. The term 'wind le for development unexpectedly a nning authority's development pla plan should have a policy that provpment?	fall sites' is used to refer to and are therefore not n.			
Altho be ou	ut of character. Should we ha	good use of land, in rural areas higl ave a policy in the Neighbourhood I elopment reflects the character of	Plan to ensure that the			
	Yes	No	No Opinion			

	following (please tick all that you support)						
	The mix should include homes for rent as well as for sale						
	The policy should have something on the size of houses required/ number of bedrooms (this would depend on the needs of each community) The policy should require any proposed development to take on board the housing mix in the Diss and District Housing Needs Assessment report, which includes the type of affordable/ social homes needed. Other (please specify):						
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17 Affordable Housing At the moment, any affordable/ social homes for rent that are built in Diss are made available first to residents of Diss. If there any such homes still available, South Norfolk Council uses a cascade, so that they are then offered to former residents of Diss, and then to residents of neighbouring parishes.							
Scole, there	Roydon and Burston and Sh	nimpling as these are the parishes in the neighbou	in the Neighbourhood Plan area are e ones in South Norfolk. However, rhood plan area: Palgrave, Brome and e as part of the cascade.				
Do you think the cascade used by South Norfolk Council for affordable / social housing should include the mid-Suffolk parishes, so that residents of those parishes also become eligible for affordable / social housing for rent in Diss?							
	Yes	No	No Opinion				
18 Self-Build Previous consultations found support for people wishing to build their own homes. Do you think that larger developments should set aside some plots for self-builders?							
	Yes	No	No Opinion				

19 Townscape and Design Design, such as the materials used and sustaining local identity. The N (called Diss and District Design Coare typical of the area. Do you thir the Design Codes for the area and	Neighbourhood Plan has produced des) which describes the housing on hk we should have a policy that re	d a document on design designs and materials that quires development to use
Yes	No	No Opinion
20 Dark Skies In some parts of the neighbourhood intrinsically dark skies. Intrinsically by artificial light. Light pollution can difficult to see the stars and change wildlife and is a major cause of the Should the Neighbourhood Plan has yes	dark landscapes are those entire in have a negative impact on dark ging the feel of these tranquil area e large and rapid decline in insect	ly, or largely, uninterrupted skies, making it more s. It also impacts upon populations.
21 Wildlife The Neighbourhood Plan area has much appreciated habitats for wild there is a need to improve or creathedgerows. For example in location network that supports an increase	dlife. People have noted that wild te areas for wildlife by planting ne ons along the river. These, when line in wildlife.	life numbers are falling, and ew trees, meadows and nked together would form a
Do you think the neighbourhood p	nan should have a policy that requ	arres developments to

22 Traffic

Yes

Traffic is one of the biggest concerns amongst local people. Additional housing will of course generate more traffic. This can affect congestion, such as at some key junctions that are already subject to traffic queueing, particularly on the A1066. In the villages, traffic speeds are often a concern. However, development can also sometimes deliver for highway improvements.

improve areas for wildlife, including creating new areas?

No Opinion

Do you think that the proposed all road linking Shelfanger Road with	location north of the cemetery in E Heywood Road?	iss should provide a new		
Yes	No	No Opinion		
23 Do you think that any major development (which is 10 or more homes) that is likely to have an impact on the A1066 should be required to provide evidence of that impact, particularly in the rush hour, and help to address any worsening in congestion?				
Yes	No	No Opinion		
24 Do you think development, especially in the villages, should be required to provide measures or be designed to better manage traffic speeds?				
Yes	No	No Opinion		
25 Diss town centre is very popular, especially for shopping and it is vital to manage any change of use to support the vitality of the town centre. Retail has been undergoing change for some time with the advent of internet shopping and the lockdown has accelerated this, risking more and more empty shops.				
The Neighbourhood Plan could have a policy that aims to support retail, but which focuses on enhancing the town centre more generally, including by making good use of empty shops that are unlikely to sustain retail. Would you support such a policy?				
Yes	No	No Opinion		
26 Digital Connectivity Good broadband is important for many of us, especially those who work from home and the lockdown has highlighted this. The neighbourhood plan could have a policy that requires the new housing to have a certain broadband speed as a minimum. The policy could also support the installation of new broadband infrastructure. Would you like to see such a policy?				
Yes	No	No Opinion		

About You

27 Where do you live?		
Brome and Oakley	Palgrave	Stuston
Burston and Shimpling	Roydon	None of the above
Diss	Scole	
28 Do you work in any of t	he following?	
Brome and Oakley	Palgrave	Stuston
Burston and Shimpling	Roydon	None of the above
Diss	Scole	
please tell us which one: 30 What is your age?		
13-17	35-54	75+
18-24	55-64	
25-34	65-74	
That completes the survey, tha your local parish office, by the		survey to the address below, or to August 3 rd 2020.
Diss Town Council (NP survey) 11-12 Market Hill Diss IP22 4JZ		

Brome & Oakley Key views

View 1: Oakley Church, from Brickleside





View 2: Oakley Church from Warren Hills







View 3: Oakley Park House from Oakley Mill Drive



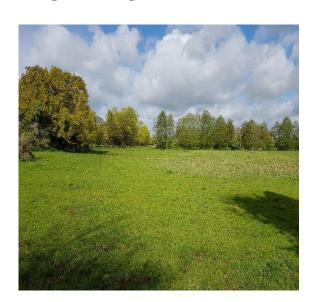
View 4: Waveney meadows from Red Bridge



View 5: Waveney Meadows East of Billingford Bridge



View 6: Waveney meadows West of Billingford Bridge



View 7: The Grove, from Lower Oakley



View 9: View down the rise from Church Lane



View 8: Dove meadows south from Red Bridge



Thank you for taking part in this survey.

Please return your completed survey to your local parish office, or by post to:

Diss Town Council (DDNP), 11-12 Market Hill, Diss, IP22 4JZ by Friday August

14th 2020, 4pm

Prize Draw

As a thank you for completing this survey, there will be a Prize Draw which is open to everyone who has taken part.

If you would like to be entered into the prize draw, please PRINT your details here:

Your name
Your contact phone number
Your address

Your competition entry will be detached from this survey ensuring that your responses remain anonymous.

Terms and conditions apply, see below:

The DDNP Project officer will contact the five winners of the £20 shopping vouchers to arrange delivery of the vouchers.

Thank you for taking part, your views are vital to creating a successful Neighbourhood Plan for your area.

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Terms & Conditions of the prize draw:

- The competition is open to all survey participants
- Only one entry per person can be accepted
- Closing date to receive this survey back and be included in the draw is 4pm, August 14th 2020
- The prizes are as stated, 5 x £20 shopping vouchers and no cash or other alternatives will be offered
- Winners will be selected at random from all participants both online and returning printed forms. They will be notified on the day of the draw, however if a prize hasn't been claimed within 14 days from the date of the draw, it will be forfeited
- Any decision in respect of all matters to do with the draw will be final and no correspondence will be entered into
- By entering this draw, an entrant is indicating their agreement to be bound by these terms and conditions.