

Little Hallingbury Neighbourhood Plan



It will soon be time to have
your say in the future of
Little Hallingbury

A questionnaire will be delivered to all households in September 2023. Anyone over 18 can answer this, for themselves or on behalf of other household members. Anyone who works in Little Hallingbury can also take part.

What do we want to hear
about?

- **The strengths and positive features** of Little Hallingbury – things that you value and would like to keep.
- **Any negative features of our Village** - things that you don't like and would like to improve.
- **Those things that Little Hallingbury doesn't have** which you would like.

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So to get you thinking ahead of the arrival of the questionnaire.... **ARE YOU AWARE THAT...?**

Speeding is a constant worry along the roads in our Village. We have not yet been able to reinstate 'speed watch' due to a lack of volunteers. We have requested speed monitoring from Essex police and they were in our village in May.

There is a campaign '20's Plenty' which aims to encourage a **speed limit of 20mph to be normal** on residential streets and village centres, unless full consideration of the needs of vulnerable road users allows a higher limit on particular streets.

<https://www.20splenty.org/>

What are your views?

Pot-holes can be reported by anyone to Essex Highways <https://www.essexhighways.org/tell-us> who are responsible for most Highways matters in and around our village.

You can tell Essex CC about maintenance issues online by using their highways reporting tool. The online interactive map allows you to see what has been reported and the likely timescale for action.

<https://www.essexhighways.org/track-it>

DID YOU KNOW THAT...? Uttlesford's Green Belt covers a very small area, **just 6%** of the District and it surrounds us in Little Hallingbury. It is there in order to 'prevent the communities from merging into an urban sprawl from the south of Bishop's Stortford...'

Green Belt policy is frequently cited as one of the planning system's most notable achievements and should only be built on in exceptional circumstances. The Green Belt is the subject of much political debate.

What are your views?

DID YOU KNOW THAT...? The River Stort is one of this country's precious chalk streams, one of only 200 in the world. However, these chalk streams are becoming polluted with sewerage overflows. Data shows that a treatment works here in Little Hallingbury overflows into the River Stort. This works last overflowed for 8 hours in May 2023.

Locally there were a combined total of 562 hours (23 days) of overflows into the Stort in 2022, suggesting the treatment works cannot cope with current levels of waste water. **What are your views?**