



'Smaller more affordable housing for young families to move into.'

'The housing also isn't affordable for young people or first time buyers.'

'More affordable homes, rather than huge ones.'

'Develop houses for younger people to remain in the village.'

'More purpose built housing for seniors. Many would like to remain in the area but there is nowhere for them to downsize to.'

'Make properties affordable & available for the young & elderly residents of Little Hallingbury.'

A selection of the comments received in the Residents Questionnaire Oct 2023

HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY TO BE DELIVERED TO EVERYONE IN THE VILLAGE MID-MARCH

Many of you mentioned the need for affordable housing for both the young and elderly of the Village when completing the Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire. As a result we, along with the Parish Council have decided to carry out a Housing Needs Survey to find out whether there is sufficient interest to have such a scheme.

The Housing Needs Survey will be posted through every door on the Village in mid-March and we very much hope you can spare 10-15 minutes to complete this. Your feedback will help to decide whether there is a need for housing that is affordable for those with a strong connection to Little Hallingbury.

- The Housing Needs Survey is for every household in the Village to complete.
- It will be particularly relevant for those in the Village wishing to make their first step onto the housing ladder or for those now in a position to downsize who meet certain criteria.
- The Rural Community Council of Essex (RCCE) is to oversee and analyse the Housing Needs Survey, all personal details will remain confidential to RCCE.
- Affordable Housing is defined as housing for sale or rent provided to local eligible households whose needs are not met by the open market.
- The draft Uttlesford Local Plan states this will be the only type of new housing development allowed in Little Hallingbury.
- Uttlesford DC will only as an exception, release suitable land in rural areas for local needs housing that would not otherwise normally receive planning permission.
- A small bespoke scheme typically 10 or fewer homes would be tailored to suit the housing needs of the community.
- These homes would be prioritised in perpetuity for those that live in the Village.
- The Housing Needs Survey is a key starting point so that we can identify the extent and nature of the affordable housing need.
- After the survey is analysed, there will be further opportunities for residents to provide input.

Please complete the Housing Needs Survey and help to plan the future of our Village. Return this by 19th April 2024.