

## Feedback from the Hampton Society Village Meeting - 2 Feb 2015

### **Did the event help you to understand the role of the Hampton Society?**

- I knew already so that is not a negative response
- Already familiar
- How formal is their role? Are they the only organisation with this role?
- I think it has opened the eyes of non-members to your function in society
- Very informative
- We are already members
- Already aware of the role
- We have been members of the Society for many years
- Very encouraged by the number attending
- Does the "society" in Hampton Society put off younger members
- Been a member for several years

### **Did the event give you useful information about other groups in the Village?**

- I didn't realise the existing provision

### **Did the event help you to understand more about issues that might affect Hampton Village in the future?**

- Not particularly
- But Hampton North is still isolated and unconnected
- Needed larger venue with more space at each table or more tables
- Yes, very much. This is a much needed event
- Not much information on any developments pending

### **Did the event help you to understand Village Planning?**

- Not really
- Sort of
- Knew already anyway needed fuller explanation/time
- It was not explained. The display was insufficient.
- Able to discuss issues with others
- Don't really have time to enquire
- Not entirely

### **Were you able to contribute your ideas and thoughts?**

- Yes, \*\*\* was a great facilitator
- Partially but on edge of a group
- Not invited to join table discussion until last 5 minutes of discussion time. Missed out!
- Informally

### **Could you tell the Society and the Council your views?**

- Assuming they read our feedback sheets
- Not on this occasion
- There could have been more discussion time
- Not enough clarity about the next steps
- Only if you make a deliberate effort to seek them out

### **What did you think about the venue?**

- Bit too small
- Too small and difficult to access

- Inaccessible
- Small

**Do you have any more comments about the event? Please tell us what you thought.**

- An excellent initiative - it would be great if younger people could be encouraged to be more involved.
- May have been better to have more group tables around the edge. We represented a village group but found it hard to take part in the small group discussions.
- Manage these events regularly and increase communication to residents
- Well arranged. More publicity next time please
- Bigger room needed with bigger tables
- Not representative enough e.g. youth, Hampton North etc.
- Table discussions were interesting but difficult to hear all contributions
- An excellent start
- Reliance on digital media to reply to some extent
- Need more space
- Hard to hear what was being said in group discussions - lots of people!
- Excellent event. Thanks to all that helped organise it
- More seating/opportunity to be involved, e.g. many had to stand on the outside.
- It was well organised
- Very encouraging - now lets use the ideas!
- This type of event must be fully inclusive whether input is or not 'aligned' with Hampton Society opinion.
- Need a larger venue
- Repeat so more people can be involved
- More/reduce down to smaller areas i.e. Hampton Village (Hampton North), Old Hampton
- Well organised. Obviously could not estimate numbers accurately

**Do you have any additional views about Hampton which you would like the Society or the Council to consider? If so please write details**

- Have an online group calendar plus 2 or 3 noticeboards just for Hampton events
- The under representation of socially deprived residents and lack of inclusion is in need of immediate attention.
- We want to get involved with the community and offer our services as well as link up with others.
- Hampton & Hampton North cover a large area shops in particular are in several smallish groups separated by residential areas e.g. Hampton Station Road and shops the other side of railway bridge. New houses just completed at top of Ormond Ave tend to separate these areas even more. filling gaps with non-residential buildings might help to unify Hampton Village
- Affordable housing rather than more luxury developments needed. More live music (not tribute bands) including medieval/Georgian fair on the Green. Shakespeare music festival on Garrick's Lawn
- No more residential housing on sites like the old "Mercedes Showroom" in Tudor Road. Hampton desperately needs a Community Car Park or 2 (small ones). Any new residential housing needs to have at least 2 designated parking bays for each "flat".
- The state of the road and pavements in Park Close are very sub standard
- There are areas in Hampton South where residents are marginalised. There is a real opportunity to link up existing resources and work.
- Importance of maintaining character for Hampton - rigour of adhering to planning regulations. Community and heritage value should be maintained long term.
- Hampton becoming overcrowded due to infilling

- Need more activities for girls, lots of 'male' type activities which may not be every female taste
- Fully discussed in the session
- Perhaps the newsletter should occasionally have non-commercial organisations - clubs, associations, societies etc. Hampton directory is incomplete and full of adverts
- Thank you to Hampton Society & others for organising and their contributions

### Further feedback following the meeting:

"As a new resident, I attended my first meeting of your society last evening, was very impressed and joined up." RB

"It was an excellent event and I hope the council listen to the out put- even where it conflicts with some of their ideas! It is clear it is not easy to get the 20 and 30s out to anything. I know churches and other organisations find the same. It might be useful to explore way the message could be got to them perhaps through displays in pubs and cafes and also social media. The Richmond Chamber of Commerce run so excellent Social Media courses. They are low cost for members and charities can join for around £100 per year." DP

"...wonderfully organised (thank you) and successful night yesterday" SB

"Just wanted to say well done on last night's meeting. I think it all went very well and provoked some interesting discussions about so many relevant points. Wasn't sure what the format of the evening was going to be so thought your tables for brainstorming were a great idea. So glad you had such a good turnout! Will probably need more chairs and tables next time!! Look forward to hearing comments and let's hope the Council take note!" JL

"Thank you for organising last night - we both enjoyed the evening. It was really good to know what is going on in the community and to meet some of the people who are already working with some of our young people in the youth activities. Certainly a place for our young students to be influencing and shaping the future of Hampton." MH

"Think there needs to be a couple more elsewhere and at different times ideally." KR

"Just to say well done on the organisation of an excellent meeting last night. Better than any expectations!" HF

"Congratulations on the excellent organisation - I know you all did a huge amount of work to get it right." JM