

Free Text Response – Shaftesbury, Melbury Abbas & Cann Questionnaire

Q26a Town Centre Regeneration eg Cattle Market	
1	1. 1-way traffic system in town. 2. utilise parking area behind ambulance/fire station.
2	1st time buyer property
3	A bigger and better supermarket
4	A cinema.
5	A cinema. Family friendly restaurant e.g Marstons
6	a combination of all but controlled. no parkland - we have enough.
7	A community centre with leisure facilities
8	A community hall and new council offices
9	A community hall that can hold bigger events. The Town Hall is at times too small and restrictive. A larger hall than Fontmell Magna with a stage (including lighting) that gigs and other events can be held at.
10	A decent swimming pool that is open to the public!
11	A drop in centre for all age groups to be able to seek personal assistance in regards to social services, benefits etc., to be able to discuss in person personal requests/requirements - independently and in person - NOT but a 'Phone Call'
12	A good quality 'chain' restaurant open dining day and evening eg Cafe Rouge, Ask or Wine Bar
13	A gym and indoor swimming pool (run by a business not volunteers)
14	A gym with sports hall
15	A hall like sturminster for large events plus large area for car parking. No shops.
16	A large function hall as well as a medium sized hall other than the Town Hall which is expensive and fully booked. The front of Tescos off Coppice Street should be turned into something useful. It is bleak and uninviting.
17	A limit on charity shops. There are far too many and are leading to the closure of essential local shops.
18	A new indoor swimming pool, with health and fitness facilities on-site. Landscaped parkland, with outdoor fitness equipment, would be good also, if there is space.
19	A quality development of traditional parkland with some parking, say 1 cafe with outside seating. We cannot afford to lose much parking or it will kill the High St. All bins and lighting etc heritage style.
20	A swimming pool PLEASE!!
21	Additional primary health care facility.
22	Again, a better gym for Mental Health customers to use, rather than going to Blandford.
23	Aldi supermarket
24	Allotments? Playing field in sport.
25	and football club, if unoccupied
26	Any of the above - car park - mix residential/retail - parkland - leisure uses - shops - small food store - office accommodation - as long as they meet a market demand rather than a planners whim, and are run commercially and not by local government or hence paid via our local taxes
27	appropriate landscaping
28	Artisanal units
29	As parking is a major issue in shaftesbury use of cattle market as a free landscaped car park would be an asset to the high street. Include additional coach facilities for increasing tourism.
30	At the moment it is impossible to stay in town for over 4 hours, apart from the Band Hall car park which is full of local workers cars by early morning as they have no where else to park. The Cattle Market car park does not always open on the days listed on the signs within the car park, putting unnecessary strain on Tesco's parking.
31	Ban any more charity shops - they are putting essential small shops out of business.
32	Big DIY store (i.e. B&Q or Homebase)

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33	bowling green band stand community entertainment market/promotional local business event England in bloom
34	Budget supermarket maybe.
35	Bus and coach station.
36	Can we fix the swimming pool please. Lidos are very popular and we don't need the roof. The pool gates should be protected as they are great. Five a-side football centre would be good.
37	Car park could go underground, as well as ground level - plenty of space then gained
38	car park that is open for workers all day every day. also can be used by general public.
39	Car park, but not entirely. It should be combined with shops/plaza setting
40	Car parking in the High St creates problems
41	Cattle Market
42	cattle market = excellent car park smaller sites within town boundary = mixture of retail and residential
43	Cattle Market as long as the need exists is an integral part of a Market Town. To lose it would damage the heritage. Shaftesbury has retained much of it's history - it has not been wrecked by architects / planners.
44	Cattle market site to be used as coach/bus station, car parking retail and parkland.
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46	Cheap food shop Aldi to help struggling families 10 pin bowling, cinema, Pool hall badmington
47	cinema and car parking
48	Cinema. A Gym/Yoga centre
49	Cinema. DIY/hardware store
50	close high street to start with, weekends or even sunday?
51	Community centre (purpose built - see the exchange in sturminster newton)
52	Community centre.
53	Community facilities and improved access for pedestrians, cycles and cars should be part of the development. It is a hill town - few people have mountain bikes to get up and down the hill ... Cycle network should be in town.
54	Community facilities, swimming pool, and gym etc close to town and help hone a healthier community
55	community food growing areas/ allotments green/ eco business park.
56	COMMUNITY HALL ON BROWN FIELD SITE RATHER THAN ON GREEN FIELD
57	Community Hall, Leisure Facilities, Car Parking, More retail choice.
58	Community Hall?
59	complete lack of parking for shop workers and shoppers currently closed more than advertised
60	Concert venue? Theatre? Cinema?
61	could be used for additional doctors surgery and car park. should not be used for housing unless above shops - definitely not social housing!
62	Could High St rates be reduced to encourage more shops?
63	Create new town hub
64	D.I.Y. shop - nearest in Gillingham.
65	Definitely not car park. Shaftesbury was once a super market town. It is just becoming a supermarket town plus car parks.
66	Definitely not car parking. This should be out of town. The car parks we have should be well signposted. Ifg the cattle market was redeveloped, the car park which is already there would more readily be available for town centre parking.

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67	Definitely not Parking. Better signage for the Car Parks we have already. A bus service that could bring people in at reasonable times. This does not affect me as I live near town and can walk. Not everyone has a car not can walk all that far
68	Depends on site. Cattle Market ok for parking, Cockrams NOT ok for parking, shd be open space, parkland.
69	Different content "core"/hub from that of existing town centre but complimenting. A new centre (geographically so) of vibrancy. Consolidate the plethora of meeting places. A place of connection at the focus of a system of continuous routes (footpath/cycleway/local roads) particularly connecting the Eastern development & employment areas to S of A30
70	DIY Hardware shop
71	Do away with cattle market. Put a new hall for town use.
72	Do not building on green field sites
73	Do not let Cattle Mkt become wholly retail as will lead to leaching & demise for High Street. I don't think Iceland, Pets at Home etc will enhance Shaftesbury
74	Do not see a need for more retail space
75	doctors surgery
76	Doctors Surgery needs to be located on a site with easier access and more parking than at Abbeyview. Why wasn't a surgery included in the new houses on the A30!
77	Doctor's surgery/ walk-in 12 hour medical centre
78	Doctors/Medical surgery or sports centre for everyone
79	Does this mean the Cattle Market will close? It is one of the few REAL functions left in this area which involved farmers and local people, as pooposed to purely tourists, townies and the out-of-work. If you were clever, you would retain it as a much-needed special feature, high standard, animal-welfare etc etc for whole area and for visitors to admire - educational
80	E.G CATTLE MARKET WOULD BE IDEAL FOR ANTIQUE FAIRS A BIGGER MARKET OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT
81	each site is different.cattle market: retail and office with apartments above. below ground?
82	facility for local and organic food
83	Fewer charity shops vs normal retail
84	Free car park New site for 999 services Sports centre with pool
85	free parking
86	Garden Centre
87	Grass it over and plant trees. MUCH more pleasant and better for the environment than any other 'option' for development
88	Gym
89	Gym, indoor bowls for use of everybody in the area which would bring more people into Shaftesbury helping to keep our town 'alive'
90	Has to be a car park - there is no alternative site. Pedestrianisation of the High Street.
91	Health centre, pre-school?
92	Healthcare centre.
93	hot-desk facilities, small business incubators,
94	Housing (if it's really needed) small artisan workshops.
95	I am opposed to the development of the cattle market. There is still a weekly cattle market there (or there was....) and other ad hoc events. I believe that it could be promoted for other events, eg regular car boot sales etc. I find it hard to believe that we need even more houses there too..... The car park that is attached to the Tesco car park is open quite often and is free. This could be open even more (and of course remain free).

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96	I am very happy for the cattle market to still be a cattle market. But if you force me to choose (the above).
97	I feel that there is nothing inherently wrong with Shaftesbury with not a bad selection of shops for a small town. But the town enhancement scheme did awful damage to the town. We do need pedestrian crossings. One becomes part of a free-for-all when attempting to cross the High St.
98	I like the idea of an area of parkland. There is so little community areas for picnics or sitting & talking for all age groups
99	I would like the swimming pool fixed - it was a prime reason for moving to Shaftesbury - a pool, walks, friendly people, enough shops and houses!
100	If it is big enough, a "Clarks Village" type of retail site could be built to encourage more tourism.
101	If the Cattle Market has to close? USE THIS ANCIENT FEATURE and develop the ancient historical feature as a major attraction as it would have looked in Saxon times or/and utilising different historical times. Costume and produce etc. Shaftesbury should realise its full historical potential which is unique - and over tens of centuries to its foundation
102	If there is to more car parking then at least one storey should be underground. Tesco should have been made to do this but its not too late to move to this policy. Free parking underground much more expensive overground
103	If you put shops here you will WILL the town centre off 'don't do it.'
104	Improve leisure facilities to encourage a healthier lifestyle for local residents.
105	Improve the cattle market - this is still an asset. What other sites are there? The town centre and slops do not make it cycle friendly.
106	Improved lawn and sitting out areas
107	improved pavements - would require the high street to be pedestraised. i support the ped. of the high street.
108	Indoor all year Swimming Pool/Gym? With coffee/snack bar with indor and outdoor seating
109	Indoor games centre Youth Club
110	INDUSTRIAL UNITS TO BRING EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
111	It would be brilliant if we have a decent swimming pool where the cattle market is. (we have wasted far too much money trying to prop up at old converted tank that is an excuse for a town pool.
112	Keep it as a cattle market
113	Large Leisure Centre for all ages
114	Large play area for children or indoor soft play with cafe or youth club/community centre
115	Larger "Arts Centre" auditorium - make Shaftesbury a place people come to for entertainment/arts.
116	larger health centre
117	Leave as cattle market
118	Leave as cattle market
119	Leave cattle market where it is.
120	Leisure centre
121	Leisure Centre and Swimming Pool
122	Leisure centre with pool, gym, dance studio for general use & childrens play area
123	Leisure centre with Swimming Pool
124	Leisure use for the young. A sports centre with good indoor swimming pool. something that can be accessed weekends and evenings by young people - with cafe suiatable for young peopleto meet. (Teenagers)
125	Let Tesco have a larger store to include white goods and clothing
126	light industrial units
127	local food outlet to be open in evenings
128	Lower rates for one man/family businesses
129	Maybe one way system through high street ? to avoid probs near to WH Smith etc
130	medical centre

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131	Mixed use. Underground car park Excellent design & detailing, landscaping & tree planting.
132	Mixture of car park and parkland
133	Monthly street markets
134	More places for childrens play area
135	More shops
	Much more attention must be given to the needs of the disabled in wheelchairs or on mobility "scooters".
136	Q24: Provision of free car parking.
137	N/A
138	Need to move with the times
139	new cinema
140	New community hall
141	New health centre with large car park with easy access
142	no leisure/swimming pool. Town needs to go with the times.
143	No opinion.
144	No supermarket.
145	None.
146	Nothing should be done with surrounding green area
147	One or even two story car parking
148	other areas to be specified
149	Our town doesn't have any leisure activities since the money meant for the swimming pool was pissed away. A gym, pool etc would be brilliant to have
150	Park and Ride. Although this is a short distance from shops (apart from Tesco) it would relieve Town Centre parking, especially for those doing a 'big shop' also for visitors who want to enjoy the views and facilities of the town. Without their cars. Additional parking for coaches and transport for their passengers allowing for longer visits to town - both car and coach travellers
151	Park out of town, with shuttle bus service (park&ride?)
152	Part of Bell St car park - altered to bus station to relieve High St congestion
153	Please do not let Tesco extend into cattle market. Close Tesco's who can't even keep their forecourt clean and tidy - they have spoilt our town. Encourage Waitrose to take over which will enhance the character of the town.
154	Please do not make Shaftesbury 'Bijou' - its charm is its honesty!
155	please reinvest money into the regeneration of our naturally beautiful towns. it shouldn't always involve more buildings. promote what we have open spaces the very reason people come to shaftesbury,
156	Present swimming pool & large community centre - band stand for concerts.
157	Provide the people with a good leisure facility. Shaftesbury is crying out for a great attraction for people to socialise and have a bit more fun. No more houses! Think leisure!
158	Public toilets
159	Re development of ATS to a multi storey carpark would relieve parking issues for town centre.
160	Re Q. 27: Only if they are NOT on roads. The New Forest is awful and dangerous as leisure cyclists and traffic do not mix.
161	Re. Q.27: NOT A SUITABLE TOWN FOR CYCLES. ROADS TOO ENCLOSED AND HEAVY TRAFFIC
162	Redevelopment of Post Office site
163	Reduced width of pavement opposite Toby's to improve turning into bimport. The pavement is far too wide there.

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164	Regeneration sites: Ambulance Station - use for residential and parking. ATS site - use for resident and parking (as per planning permission in the past - never used). Cattle market. Community hall.
165	Relocate cattle market to an easier access location on the outskirts of town, to allow more in town car parking.
166	Removal of crossing during enhancement scheme was a disaster for residents and visitors alike and stopped town from being visitor friendly.
167	Residential - re car parking - stop cars parking on double yellow lines along south side of high street and check 'disabled' parkers more carefully.
168	residential only
169	Retail Park (small)
170	Retail park containing stores that are not in the town already ie electrical retail store; phone, mobile shop; furniture store
171	Retain cattle market and market it as a tourist destination.
172	Retain cattlemarket.
173	Retain the cattle market as attraction
174	rural link, leisure link, education, large room where music can be played, events staged people gather and celebrate.
175	SCHOOL OR DOCTORS SURGERY.
176	Shaftesbury badly needs a good community centre as the main one of any size is fathers house. good gym fac. are also needed.
177	Shaftesbury has been a market town for centuries; although to current prominence of the livestock market dates from 1902. It moved from Town centre in 1956 to its present site. It could move to town edge i.e coles implement sale site and still retain its importance. Present site could be used for car parking - retail and residential
178	Shaftesbury has no leisure facilities gym swimming pool
179	Shaftesbury IS a market town why re-locate teh current market site? It would most likely only be developed by a large supermarket - do we need it?? No!!
180	shaftesbury is in great need of entertainment/leisure facilities/complex of cinema, bowling alley, indoor sports greatly needed.
181	Shaftesbury needs a good leisure centre for all ages. This leisure centre to include sports halls, swimming pool and concert (music) hall. The cattle Market could be an ideal site providing easy accessibility for all.
182	shaftesbury needs another cinema as before!
183	Shaftesbury would benefit from a small mixed facility - The nearest is Gillingham. For example combined leisure centre: Gym/sauna/steam room/small swim pool/ fitness classes/ complementary therapies
184	Should consideration be given to an entertainment complex that would include cinema, bowling, indoor sports facilities etc. If over the next 10 years the population of the town increases then complexes like the one suggested above would be a good investment.
185	Small M&S food store
186	Some leisure and Housing
187	Something for children of all abilities
188	Sort out the Swimming Pool!
189	Sporting facilities - athletics track, swimming pool
190	sports centre
191	Sports centre, swimming, badminton, gyms. Olympic torch came through Shaftesbury, where is the promised legacy.
192	Sports or leisure facilities
193	Sunday opening of High Street shops and small cafes.

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194	swimming pool
195	Swimming pool - sports based areas
196	Swimming pool & leisure centre.
197	swimming pool & sports
198	Swimming pool, of a modern design tht appeals to youngsters ie slides rapids
199	Swimming pools mop up alot of bored children so that they grow up happier and dont tangle with social services/police etc. It gives them something to do especially in the summer days
200	Takeaway - Macdonalds
201	Tennis Courts. We have some really ugly buildings in/near Shaftesbury - ATS garage/Johnsons on roundabout and ambulance station. What can be done about these?
202	Tesco's need to crack down on a free parking and taking revenue away from NDDC car Parks.
203	THE CATTLE MARKET COULD BE USED AS A WEEKLY STREET MARKET LIKE DORCHESTER
204	The cattle market does give shaftesbury it uniqueness so if it was redeveloped into shops then it should still exist but in a different location?
205	The cattle market should be long stay car park for workers in town. Put the ambulance station with the fire station on the bypass and make this into additional car parking. Town centre speed limit 5mph (and enforced!).
206	The cattle market was always the central attraction to the town. To move it or worse still lose it would have a detremental effect on the town centre. Tesco have already impacted on the shops in the High Street.
207	The entrance and exit should be on the Tescos roundabout and not directly onto the Bypass from the car park.
208	The high street needs to be pedestrianised or at least have 20 mph limit with the reinstatement of pedestrian crossings. I cross the high street by the town hall daily and never feel safe in doing so.
209	The tesco car park is probably sufficient for the town along with the others - needs to be made free for at least 4 hours to help town centre shops
210	theatre(like the exchange in sturminster newton)
211	There are few, if any derelict buildings or land within the town. The cattle market is tied in to Tesco and much time and money has been wasted by STC trying to bully the owners into handing it over. If a new community hall is built at Cockrams and openspace lost to parking what will stop Coppice St residents parking there permanently ? From the largest density of population this site is still 1 - 2 miles away and unless late night public transport is provided users will need to use their cars. Why not move NDDC refuge wagons onto A30 business land and build new comminuty hall in the centre of the people.
212	There are increasing numbers of young people in shaftesbury. if there is nothing for them to do in their leisure time except get up to mischief then that is what they'll do. we don't even have a swimming pool or cinema any more. leisure facilities must come near the top of any wish list.
213	There are some very neglected areas around the town eg between the Football Club & Coppice St,. Borders and verges are also overgrown and they trap litter, are full of brambles and mud. Coppice St, Old boundary and Christies Lane on the south side.
214	There are too few graded pavements for wheelchairs, Ivy Cross roundabout is particularly bad
215	These spaces represent a huge opportunity to improve Shaftesbury. Ideally they should be regenerated as part of a wider plan for the town which addresses all of the needs of the community eg transport, walking & cycling access to the town, car parking (away from the centre) leisure, housing and other community needs
216	Think it is disgusting to consider getting ride of a cattle market being in such a rural area.
217	Think the police station could be sold (+ the car park for 9 cars!?) and sheltered housing built in its place so that residents would have easy access to town.
218	To attract visitors we need accessible parking. The last thing we need is a retail park! This will kill any effort to regenerate the high street, these parks have their place out of towns.
219	Toilets

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220	Too much inconsiderate parking in lower High St on 'no parking' areas. Causing problems in the street - causing a one way bottle neck.
221	training facility for young people
222	Turn it into a bus/coach station or car park and parkland.
223	Use for residential development to avoid using greenfield site
224	Use this area to build a sports complex and assist with fitness, pleasure & mental well being etc. There are no facilities in Shaftesbury children can't get fit and this will lead to obesity.
225	We badly need gymnasium and swimming facilities and other sports facilities.
226	We could do with more smaller GP surgeries
227	We do not know exactly where the 'prime' sites are. Leisure use might be appropriate for the Cattle market but mixture of small independent retail might be appropriate elsewhere. We do not want large scale multi national superstores
228	We need more parking for people who work in the town, disabled drivers and general visitors.
229	WEEKLY STREET MARKETS - TESCO CAN LOOSE THEIR EXTRA PARKING FACILITIES - THE PARKING CAN THEN BE USED FOR THE STREET MARKETS
230	What is the 'Draft Local Plan'?
231	What other sites?
232	What prime site other than the cattle market?
233	Whate other areas are meant?
234	Where will the Cattle Market go?
235	Why don't you build homes on that rather than greenfields.
236	Why not retain as cattle market
237	Why not use that land for a community hall.
238	Widening of some very narrow pavements for safety of wheelchair and mobility vehicles.
239	Without "car parking" - developing housing is a serious issue. Allow small retailers at low "rates"
240	without better parking all is lost
241	Without improved and increased car parking everything else will fail.
242	would like to see an aldi store on part of cattle market
243	Yes, we do require our Football Club to reopen or another similar on the same site.
244	You could focus all the food related markets in this site- its near Tesco so you have a readymade visitor/shoppers access too. Weekly vegetable market just like Salisbury 2 x weekly are - mixing artisan and ordinary food stalls - use it or lose it!! farmers ordinary still need somewhere to sell livestock, you can combine.
245	young people in this town need places to hang out, as well as the older ones. Pensioners are well catered for, but I'm not so sure about the youth. Also, what about Shaftesbury becoming more of a centre for the Arts? That would be a great tourist pull.
246	YOUTH ACTIVITIES - SOMEWHERE TO DO SPORTS