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**Q1: How representative is the vision statement (in pink box on page 2)?**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Waste of time			Informative				Excellent			

Q1a: What would you add / change?

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**Q2: How comprehensive are the five objectives (left hand column on page 2)?**

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Waste of time			Informative				Excellent			

Q2a: What would you add / change?

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**Q3: How comprehensive are the nineteen policies (middle column on page 2 and in booklet)?**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Waste of time			Informative				Excellent			

Q3a: What would you add / change?

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**Q4: How closely do you agree with the approach to site selection (the round window on page 3)?**

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Waste of time			Informative				Excellent			

Q4a: What would you add / change?

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**Q5: How comprehensive are the Traffic and Transport Policies (in green boxes on page 4)?**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Waste of time			Informative				Excellent			

Q5a: What would you add / change?

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**Gender:** Female / Male / Prefer not to say

**Postcode:**

**Age group:** 0-4 5-10 11-15 16-19 20-24 25-39 40-64 65-74 75+

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**Some priorities**

- 9.1 Several planning priorities emerged from the survey conducted in late 2015 to early 2016:
- A Medical Centre, large enough to house both existing practices offering more services
  - A new, larger Village Hall and Nursery, to cater for all age groups and abilities
  - A larger supermarket, with safer delivery facilities and more accessible parking
  - Measures to reduce traffic flows within the village
  - Two or three housing developments (each of 30 to 50 houses) near the village edge
  - More and better connected open space in the village supporting a wider range of activities
  - Conserving the character of the village and surrounding landscape

**Site assessment and allocation**

- 9.2 Figure 8 shows all the sites under consideration.
- A number of possible SHLAA\* sites were appraised and rejected by the District Council in recent years, although some speculative applications have subsequently emerged.
  - Further sites – X1 to X13 in figure 9 - emerged during the preparation of this plan.
- 9.3 The clear window highlights sites which would minimise additional traffic by being within a nominal 800 metre easy walking distance of the village core.
- 9.4 All these sites are being assessed against sustainability and availability criteria. It is likely that **no more than two of these** will require development for housing before 2031.



**Figure 8: Cottenham assessed (Site nnn) and potential (Xnn) sites**

\*Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment

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**Why should Cottenham have a Neighbourhood Development Plan?**

Cottenham risks becoming an expensive dormitory town for rapidly-growing Cambridge, with through-traffic increasing as commuters move to lower-priced housing further away, especially in Ely and the long-awaited Northstowe. Too much development and the character of the village would be lost forever. A Neighbourhood Development Plan, alongside South Cambridgeshire’s Local Plan, can guide where and how much of that development is allowed.

Vision		
<b>In 2031 Cottenham will still be a safe rural village, proud of its character and retaining its sense of community with improved amenities and facilities, reduced impact of traffic, especially in the core of the village, and having more affordable housing for the next generation of residents.</b>		
Objectives	Policies	Page **
<b>Improving amenities and facilities</b>	AF/1 Medical Centre	11, 41, 47, 49-50
	AF/2 Village Hall & Nursery	12-13, 46
	AF/3 Sports facilities	14, 40, 41
	AF/4 Play facilities	15
	AF/5 Larger supermarket	16, 48
	AF/6 Extending burial grounds	16, 42
<b>Making housing more affordable for the next generation of residents</b>	H/1 Up to 35 affordable homes	18-19, 41, 47, 49-50
	H/2 New housing sites	20, 40, 43-45
	H/3 Cluster design	21-22
<b>Encouraging employment opportunities</b>	E/1 Village employment	23, 39, 47-50
	E/2 Rural employment	24
	E/3 New Durman Stearn site	25, 51-52
<b>Reducing the impact of traffic, especially in the core of the village</b>	T/1 Improved off-road routes within Cottenham	26-27
	T/2 Improved access to countryside	28
	T/3 Improved public transport	29
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<b>Conserving the character of the village as a safe community</b>	C/0 Residential framework	30
	C/1 Landscape character	31-33
	C/2 Heritage character	34-36
	C/3 Tree conservation	37

**Figure 3: The NP Golden Thread: Vision > Objectives > Policies**

\*\* See the draft plan under “projects” > neighbourhood plan” on [www.cottenhampc.org.uk](http://www.cottenhampc.org.uk)

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**Appendix F: Traffic & Transport Strategy – key themes**

D.1 Four key themes are the basis of a Traffic & Transport Strategy:

**Changing the character and speed of traffic throughout the village**

<b>TS/1</b>	Encourage safer entry to and departure from the village by introducing calming measures on each arterial approach road.
<b>TS/2</b>	Improve the effectiveness of the traffic-calming measures along the arterial roads and the High Street.

**Improving pedestrian safety**

<b>TP/1</b>	Introduce a medium-term pavement improvement project throughout the village core from the Cottenham Club to the Community Centre.
<b>TP/2</b>	Introduce a long-term pavement improvement project to improve connection with the village core: a) from Brenda Gautrey Way, Coolidge Gardens, Lambs Lane and Stevens Close, and b) within 800 metres of the centre along all five arterial roads
<b>TP/3</b>	Introduce additional or improved pedestrian crossings, no further apart than 400 metres, and 200 metres within the village core.

**Improving public transport links, especially with Cambridge**

<b>TT/1a</b>	Encourage Stagecoach services to avoid unclassified roads in the village and extend the service beyond Lambs Lane northward to a turning circle / small bus hub at Fen Reeves, synchronising with Community bus services
<b>TT/1b</b>	Investigate provision of Community bus services linking Cottenham to e.g. Cambridge North, Ely, Northstowe, Oakington and Waterbeach and providing "dial-a-ride" and/or "scheduled feeder" services linking Cottenham edges to the village core.

**Improving cycle links**

<b>TC/1</b>	Introduce a long-term cycleway project to improve connections with neighbouring villages, especially Landbeach and Oakington.
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