



Hunsdon Area Neighbourhood Plan

Household Survey

Help shape Hunsdon's future as a place to live.

The community of Hunsdon has an opportunity to work together to create a Neighbourhood Plan for our Area that will shape its development over the next 15 years up until 2033. We want the voice of every resident to be heard.

Return your completed Household Survey by: 1st April 2019

What is a Neighbourhood Plan?

A Neighbourhood Plan is the community's shared vision for our neighbourhood that will shape the growth of our local area. It allows us to have a say in how many new homes and businesses will be built, where we want them, and what infrastructure and community facilities are provided to support them. Once the Plan is drafted, the community will be asked to vote on whether or not to accept it.

Why do we need a Neighbourhood Plan?

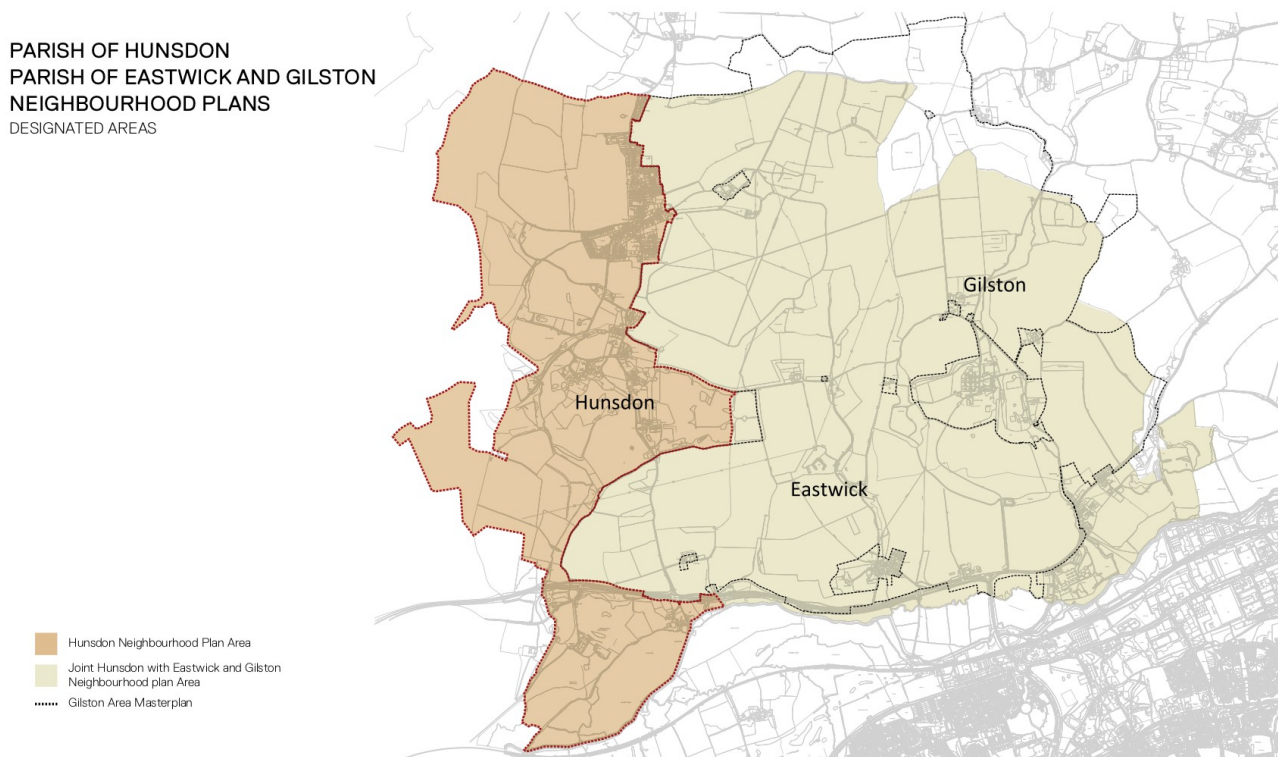
Once agreed, our Neighbourhood Plan will be a material consideration in all future planning applications decided by East Herts District Council, so if the community as a whole think no more housing should be provided, it can say so and if it decides more housing should be provided in the Area it can influence the number, the location and the mix to ensure it is the right housing for our community. This is not just about housing though, and while it will help to protect against speculative development, it is also about deciding how we can make sure Hunsdon is a good place to live for existing and future residents of all ages; it allows us to set policy that can help us to protect and preserve our rich local heritage and green spaces as well as encourage employment opportunities that seek to meet business needs in the community.

This survey can be completed online at: www.hunsdonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk

What locations does the Hunsdon Area Neighbourhood Plan cover?

Most of you will have will know about the EHDC Plan to build a series of “Garden Villages” mainly in the area of Gilston and Eastwick but partly in the parish of Hunsdon as part of the re-development of Harlow New Town. This involves the building of at least 3000 houses by 2033 and another 7000 after that date. Within Hunsdon this is effectively the area just north of the A414 on either side of Church Lane, known as Village 7. It also includes Hunsdon Airfield and the woodlands to the north but promises that these assets will be dedicated to the community early in the development and be protected from future housing grabs in perpetuity These areas are covered by a joint Neighbourhood Group representing Hunsdon, Eastwick and Gilston and is separate to our Neighbourhood Plan Area which covers the rest of Hunsdon Parish. Both Neighbourhood Plan Areas are shown on the **maps below**.

Hunsdon Airfield is of course enormously important to our community, so although it is not part of our plan, we will be inviting residents to think about what they would like to see happen to it so that this can be fed into the joint Neighbourhood Plan.



Going forward...

Two surveys are being carried out. This is one of them and is called the **Household Survey** which is to find out what residents think are the important things which should be done for the community. The other survey will be specifically about housing and is called a Housing Needs Survey, and will be posted to all residents in due course. **It is important that residents complete and return both surveys** because the results of both of these surveys as well as all the views that people have expressed at February’s consultation will be analysed and used to shape the direction the Plan takes going forward. Draft policies will be prepared on this evidence gathered, and further consultation with the community and stakeholders will take place before a draft Neighbourhood Plan is submitted to East Herts District Council for consideration and approval. Residents will then vote on whether to accept this Plan in a referendum. If the community approves it, the Plan will be subject to Examination by a Planning Inspector before becoming a legal planning document that will influence what happens in the Hunsdon Area until 2033.

Hunsdon Area Neighbourhood Plan Household Survey

Everyone aged 16 years and older in each Hunsdon Area household can complete this survey, but one per household is also fine. Details on where to obtain more paper copies as well as instructions on how to submit completed surveys are contained on the back page of the survey.

This survey can also be completed and submitted easily online at: www.hunsdonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk

1. Tell us about yourself:

Are you a resident?	Yes	No
Your postcode:		
Your age:		
Total number in your household:		
Ages of people in your household:		

Are you a business?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Your postcode:		
Type of business:		
Number of employees:		

This is requested to verify you are in the Hunsdon Area. All personal information will be handled in accordance with the Data Protection Act and any responses used in the Plan will be used anonymously only. We will only keep your data for the purpose it was collected for and only for as long as is necessary, after which it will be deleted or shredded. All data will be controlled by Hunsdon Parish Council in accordance with its published policy which takes care to ensure the security of personal data.

2. What do you value most about living in the Hunsdon Area?

Tick any of the following that apply.

<input type="checkbox"/>	The rural character of the Area
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sense of community
<input type="checkbox"/>	Friendly and safe environment
<input type="checkbox"/>	Listed buildings
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transport links
<input type="checkbox"/>	Open and green spaces

<input type="checkbox"/>	Local wildlife and habitats
<input type="checkbox"/>	The heritage rich area of Hunsdonbury
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hunsdon Mead SSSI and the River Stort
<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation Area in the centre of Hunsdon
<input type="checkbox"/>	Infrastructure and services

Other <i>(please specify)</i> :

3. Thinking about where you live, how would you like it to be described in 15 years time?

Tick up to five options.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Accessible
<input type="checkbox"/>	Affordable
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bustling
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tranquil

<input type="checkbox"/>	Green
<input type="checkbox"/>	Healthy
<input type="checkbox"/>	Historic
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lively

<input type="checkbox"/>	Inclusive
<input type="checkbox"/>	Inspiring
<input type="checkbox"/>	Prosperous
<input type="checkbox"/>	Thriving

<input type="checkbox"/>	Safe
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sociable
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sustainable
<input type="checkbox"/>	Friendly

Heritage Assets and Green Space

4. Thinking about our green spaces and open areas, rate the importance of each of the following to you.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Green spaces
<input type="checkbox"/>	Routes where people walk
<input type="checkbox"/>	Routes where people ride horses
<input type="checkbox"/>	Green spaces between existing developments

<input type="checkbox"/>	Allotments
<input type="checkbox"/>	Routes where people cycle
<input type="checkbox"/>	Countryside
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wildlife areas

5. Which of these Hunsdon 'landmarks' do you think contribute to the character and identity of the Area and should be protected? These may be buildings, monuments, green spaces or views. Rate the importance of each of the following to you.

<input type="checkbox"/>	The Village Hall
<input type="checkbox"/>	The pubs: The Fox and Hounds and The Crown
<input type="checkbox"/>	St. Dunstan's Church and St Francis Chapel
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hunsdon JMI School

<input type="checkbox"/>	Hunsdon Shop and Post Office
<input type="checkbox"/>	Briggens House and Parkland
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hunsdon Garage
<input type="checkbox"/>	The River Stort and Hunsdon Mead SSSI

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Hunsdon Airfield
<input type="checkbox"/>	The war memorial in the village centre and the war memorial on Hunsdon Airfield
<input type="checkbox"/>	Green spaces

<input type="checkbox"/>	The allotments
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hunsdon House and the historic area of Hunsdonbury
<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation area and listed buildings
Any in particular? <i>(please specify)</i> :	

Other <i>(please specify)</i> :

6. What do you dislike most about living in the Hunsdon Area and what do you think are the biggest problems the Area faces? Rate the importance of each of the following to you.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of transport links
<input type="checkbox"/>	Speed of traffic
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of car parking
<input type="checkbox"/>	HGV traffic
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of recreational facilities

<input type="checkbox"/>	Fly tipping
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of affordable housing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Volume of traffic
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lack of bicycle facilities/lanes
<input type="checkbox"/>	Division of Hunsdon Parish by the A414

<input type="checkbox"/>	Dog fouling
<input type="checkbox"/>	Weak mobile signal
<input type="checkbox"/>	Limited broadband choice
<input type="checkbox"/>	Shortage of primary school places

Other <i>(please specify)</i> :

Housing

The Hunsdon Area must accommodate at least 37 homes by 2033 according to the East Herts District (EHDC) Plan passed recently. Planning for these houses has already been approved by EHDC, and they are already being built. Our

community needs to consider whether these are enough or whether it would like to see further growth in the Hunsdon Area. This is completely separate to the 10,000 houses that will be built as part of Harlow and Gilston Garden Town.

Please answer all the questions about housing even if you don't want to see any more homes built in the Hunsdon Area.

7. How important is it to you to minimise the impact of development on our remaining Green Belt, green spaces and open areas?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Very important	<input type="checkbox"/>	Important	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unimportant	<input type="checkbox"/>	Don't know
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8. Do you wish to see more homes built within the Hunsdon Area and if so how many?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	1 - 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	10 - 20	<input type="checkbox"/>	20 +

9. If more housing were to be built in the Hunsdon Area, where do you think it should be located?

<input type="checkbox"/>	Inside the built up area of Hunsdon Village	<input type="checkbox"/>	On the edge of Hunsdon Village but still within the area marked by the Village signs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Outside Hunsdon Village itself as marked by the Village signs
					Where? (please specify):

10. Which of the following types of sites for housing do you think could be acceptable in the Hunsdon Area?

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• Tick all that apply.

• Brownfield sites

• Greenfield sites

• Infill in gardens of existing houses

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11. For whom do you think new homes built in Hunsdon Area should be built?

• Tick all that apply.

• Local people

• Young people

• First-time buyers

• The elderly

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12. Do you own any land that you would consider/like to putting forward for potential development?

• (If you answer yes, there is no obligation for development to take place.)

• No

• Yes

• Location:

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• If you answered "Yes" and wish to discuss this further, please provide your contact details so that you can be contacted in confidence.

• Name:	• Email address:	• Phone number:
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• Business Development

- *There is a wide range of business and employment opportunities in the Hunsdon Area. In addition to businesses such as the pubs, shop and garage, there are those related to agriculture as well as those offering services such as the school or doctors surgery; there are also a number of business units located at Little Samuels Farm and Fillets Farm as well residents working from home or operating businesses from home.*

13. Do you think there enough business units in the Hunsdon Area?

•	• Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	• No
<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	• Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	

14. Would you support the establishment or development of the following types of businesses or facilities in the Hunsdon Area over the next 15-20 years?

- *Tick all that you would use or support.*

•	• Shops
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Taxi service
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Light industrial: warehouse/ factory
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Childcare for babies, toddlers & pre-schoolers
<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	• Restaurant / café
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Tourism
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Domestic and gardening services
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Financial / Professional services
<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	• Offices
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Farming and agricultural
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Waste disposal and transfer
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Information Technology (IT) services
<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	<i>Additional comments:</i>
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15. Where do you think these businesses could be accommodated within the Hunsdon Area?

- *Tick all that apply.*


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• Changing the current use of existing business premises



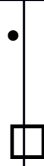
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• Newly built on brownfield sites



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• Newly built on greenfield sites



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• Infrastructure

16. How would you rate each of the following where you live?

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•	•	•	• Pavements
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	•	•	• Transport facilities
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	•	•	• Road condition
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	•	•	• Broadband
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	•	•	• Car parking
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	•	•	• Phone signal
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	<i>Additional comments:</i>
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17. If money was available to invest in infrastructure, where should it be spent?

- Tick all that apply.

•	• Pavements
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Increased primary school places
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Indoor recreational areas
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Parking provision
<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	• Cycle paths
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Improved healthcare access
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Outdoor recreational areas
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Allotments
<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	• Broadband
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Road safety improvements
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Enhancement of the centre of the village
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Drainage/flooding
<input type="checkbox"/>	

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•	• Mobile phone masts
<input type="checkbox"/>	

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• *Additional comments:*

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18. If you work in the Hunsdon Area, what would improve your working experience?

• *Tick all that apply.*

•	• Improved transport links
<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	• Faster internet access
<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	• Better mobile signal
<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	• Greater parking provision
<input type="checkbox"/>	

• *Additional comments:*

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• Highways, Transport and Parking

19. Which forms of transport does your household use for commuting or leisure?

• *Tick all that apply.*

•	• Walking
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Bus
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Car
<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	• Bicycle
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Train
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Taxi
<input type="checkbox"/>	

•	• Mobility vehicles
<input type="checkbox"/>	
•	• Motorbike
<input type="checkbox"/>	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	

20. What would encourage you to use buses more often? Rate the importance of each of the following to you.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	• Frequency
<input type="checkbox"/>	• Later running routes
<input type="checkbox"/>	• More routes

<input type="checkbox"/>	• A weekend service
<input type="checkbox"/>	• Reliability

<input type="checkbox"/>	• Earlier running routes
<input type="checkbox"/>	• Cheaper

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21. If you catch the train, which station(s) do you generally use?

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<input type="checkbox"/>	• Harlow Town
<input type="checkbox"/>	• Ware

<input type="checkbox"/>	• Roydon
<input type="checkbox"/>	• Rye House

<input type="checkbox"/>	• St Margaret's
<input type="checkbox"/>	• Epping Underground

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• *Other (please specify):*

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23. How many vehicles does your household currently have and which are regularly parked at your property?
Please enter a number against each and tell us where they are parked.

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• □	• □	• □	• Cars
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• □	• □	• □	• Vans

• □	• □	• □	• Motorbikes
• □	• □	• □	• Motorhomes/caravans

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24. Are you affected or concerned by any of the following traffic issues in the Hunsdon Area? Rate the importance of each of the following to you.

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• □	• Speed of vehicles
• □	• Potholes
• □	• Road noise
• □	• Lack of pavement / inadequate width

• □	• Heavy Goods Vehicles
• □	• Inconsiderate parking
• □	• A414 Junction on Church Lane
• □	• Walking, wheelchair or pushchair issues

• □	• Poor lighting
• □	• Insufficient parking
• □	• Cycling issues

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- Other *(please specify)*:
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25. Would you support traffic calming and/or speed reductions in the Hunsdon Area in any of these locations?

- *Tick all that apply.*

• <input type="checkbox"/>	• Outside Hunsdon JMI School	•
• <input type="checkbox"/>	• 'Rosella Bend': on Acorn Street where the road narrows to one lane	•
• <input type="checkbox"/>	• Entering Hunsdon Village on the B180 from Stanstead Abbots	•

• <input type="checkbox"/>	• 'Hunsdonbury Lane': between Acorn Street and the B180
• <input type="checkbox"/>	• Church Lane: the S bends near St Dunstan's / Hunsdon House

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- Other *(please specify)*:
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26. Would you support improved and better-enforced vehicle weight restrictions in the village?

• <input type="checkbox"/>	• Yes
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• <input type="checkbox"/>	• No
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• <input type="checkbox"/>	• Don't know
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• General Comments

27. Do you have any other comments or concerns related to living or working in the Hunsdon Area?

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• *Other concerns or comments:*

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• Optional Information

- Please provide your contact details if you would like to be kept informed about the Neighbourhood Plan as it progresses or if you would like to become more actively involved in the plan making process.

•	• I want to be kept informed by email about the Hunsdon Area Neighbourhood Plan as it progresses	
•	• Name:	• Email address:

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•	• I want to become more involved in the activities to develop the Hunsdon Area Neighbourhood Plan		
•	• Name:	• Email address:	
•	• Address:	• Phone number:	

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• Thank you for completing this survey, please return it by 1st April 2019.

- *Residents unable to submit their completed survey in any of the above ways should contact us and one of our volunteers will collect it.*
- **More paper copies of this survey are available from:** Hunsdon Shop, the Village Hall, The Crown, The Fox and Hounds, or phone/email us: Phone: 01920 870809 Email: clerk@hunsdonparishcouncil.org.uk

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- **What progress has been made on the Neighbourhood Plan so far?**

- Since Hunsdon Parish Council initiated the Neighbourhood Planning Group earlier in 2018 and co-opted volunteers to the initial Steering Group, it has familiarised itself with the work to be done, drawn up an action plan and obtained initial funding. Since then we have: -
- Identified the “designated area” covered by this Neighbourhood Plan, which has been approved by East Herts District Council. This is the “**Hunsdon Area**” referred to in this survey and is shown on the map below with the village boundary, the remaining green belt, the conservation area and Hunsdon Mead (Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)) and green spaces, all marked
- Put together this survey to seek the opinion of local residents and businesses
- Formulated a draft ‘Vision’ and draft ‘Objectives’ for the Plan
- Created a dedicated Neighbourhood Plan website: www.hunsdonneighbourhoodplan.org.uk and Facebook page to keep everyone informed. For residents not on-line, updates will be posted on the village noticeboards and in the Parish Magazine, and periodically, a newsletter will be distributed door-to-door
- Embarked on a series of Community Engagement events that will shape the Plan and reflect the community’s priorities and what they want to see done. The first Consultation with the community was held on 2nd and 3rd February 2019 in the Hunsdon Village Hall when we asked residents, landowners and other stakeholders what they thought about the draft Vision and Objectives mapped out so far.

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• **Remember to return your completed Survey by 1st April 2019.**

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- **Hunsdon Area Neighbourhood Plan Group**

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