

Crookham Village Neighbourhood Plan - Gaps Consultation

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To: Neighbourhood Planning <neighbourhoodplanning@hart.gov.uk>

Re: Appendix 3 supporting evidence for the whole Policy NE01 Preserving the Gap Between Settlements.

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I am in full support of the CV Neighbourhood Plan as has been presented for many reasons, a few follow:

From a very personal point of view, I live in a house adjacent to the proposed gap and value, not only the distant views given the raised position of the fields in question but also the ability to view the magnificent 'big sky' day and night.

I also walk my dog across these fields most days, again enjoy the open aspect, and watching the Kestrels and Skylarks along with many many other birds.

It's also a great pleasure the amble across the fields watching the Deer □ and conversing with other walkers. To many in the village the paths crossings these fields are viewed as our "village common" given we have no village green as such

The required gap is critical in maintaining the Crookham Village identity.

The surrounding area is being continually built upon - in the past 40 plus years Fleet has had built many huge housing estates - completely changing its character and more recently new housing estates have begun to squeeze Crookham Village - Zebon, Watery Lane, Ebenbrook, and the recently allowed Grove Farm development will eventually result in a Fleet urban sprawl - swallowing up Crookham Village.

Many people visit CV to enjoy its walks and space which, when taken with the Basingstoke Canal, is a very unique area and deserves to be protected by "Gaps"

Regards
Mike Allen