

**EVIDENCE BASE: CHAPTER 12: FOCUS GROUP CONSULTATION WITH PEOPLE IN THE VILLAGES  
AGED OVER 60**

## CORPUSTY & SAXTHORPE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: FOCUS GROUP >60S

25 SEPTEMBER 2014: 36 PARTICIPANTS PLUS RECORDERS

LOCATION: C&S VILLAGE CENTRE

TIME: 1500-1730

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Things people mentioned in the meeting

A gravel/paved route for older people with mobility problems/scooters/slow pace to move safely from Little London to the shop & c – prolongs physical/mental and social vitality.

Could the old rail line be a way to develop a route from Little London to the centre of the village?

Strong demand for speed limits in the village, footpaths, traffic calming

Car parking problem around the green and near school and in particular near the play area opposite the Gallery.

Parking seen as a repeated issue: singular points include opposite Marty Jacob's home, opp gallery,

Poss of making non-parking "gaps" in parking areas beside the road so as to permit passing and pedestrians to keep away from vehicles.

Any new developments – particularly if infill, must have integral parking – strongly felt

Floral boxes as per Holland and Wymondham, mobile to permit cleansing lorries, a clear traffic calming effect if placed along the road in Little London and indeed in the village – a community initiative and pleasant to see.

A survey of public rights of way to make sure they are kept open for older and less able people

Possibility of an **emergency** scheme with phone tree to help people needing to get to hospital or doctor

Need for a focal social point in the village – the Old Bakery not available, the shop too small. How about in the pub?

Ann Poberefsky prepared the following very useful document:

Emotional wellbeing: befriending, outings, groups (hobbies, afternoon tea, lunch club, coffee club with proper coffee) [facilitators require CRB checks; need drivers, insurance, possible minibus.

Practical help: shopping, gardening, minor house repairs, lifts in vehicles to medical appointments and others [practical considerations: insurance, coordinators, willing craftsmen, drivers, volunteers – CRB checks]

Exercise equipment outdoors by village hall

More benches around the village