# Guildford borough Settlement hierarchy

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# Executive summary

The settlement hierarchy study is a key part of our evidence base for the new Local Plan. It requires that we plan positively for sustainable development.  This document will enable us to have a better understanding of the roles of each of our settlements.  It does so by grouping together those settlements that have similar functions and characteristics.  This will help us decide the location of future development across the borough by directing growth towards those settlements which are the most sustainable, or can be made more sustainable through additional growth.

We have devised an approach by which to score and rank each settlement.  We based the scoring primarily on an assessment of the level of accessibility that each settlement has to a range of services and facilities including shops, schools and employment.   For the rural areas, we had an additional consideration to assess how well the village functions as a community.

We used the score to help categorise each settlement from those we consider the most sustainable, such as the urban areas, to small villages and groups of homes which we consider least sustainable.  The settlement hierarchy study consists of two documents. This document includes the hierarchy while the Settlement Profiles contains contextual information about each settlement including its size, character, and economic, social and environmental characteristics.  It also makes a preliminary assessment regarding each settlement's capacity to accommodate additional development.

Appendices include further information on the scoring system, a copy of the questionnaire sent to parish councils and detailed information on what we received back from them.

The settlement hierarchy is a technical study, and therefore it is not a consultation document.  However, if you have specific information about settlements in Guildford borough that would help us to update this hierarchy in the future, we would be interested to receive it.  Please email planningpolicy@guildford.gov.uk or phone 01483 444471.

# Contents

# 1.0 Introduction

1.1 The settlement hierarchy is a key part of the new Local Plan evidence base. It helps to define the role and function of each of our settlements. This document should be read alongside the Settlement Profiles document which contains further background and contextual information about each settlement.

1.2 Guildford borough has a wide variety of urban areas, large villages and rural hamlets consisting only of a small group of homes. These settlements provide the backdrop to our daily lives; they are the places where we live, work, enjoy our leisure time and where we can feel part of and contribute to community life.

1.3 Our settlements vary in their location, size, and in the functions they fulfil. A settlement hierarchy is a way of categorising an area's settlements to recognise their different roles. A hierarchy groups together the settlements that have similar characteristics. At the top of the hierarchy are the larger settlements that fulfil the most functions, have the best infrastructure (facilities and services) and are most easy to get to by sustainable forms of travel. The smaller settlements, with least functions, infrastructure and transport links, are nearer the bottom of the hierarchy. This will help us decide which settlements are most suitable to accommodate additional growth.

1.4 The main reason we need to establish a settlement hierarchy is to promote sustainable communities. Settlements that are sustainable places to live need to have enough homes to support local facilities, and new facilities can improve the quality of life in villages. Planning for development enables us to create sustainable communities, as we can provide the supporting infrastructure as part of it. This is the central aim of national planning policy.

1.5 This document sets out our settlement hierarchy by:
- explaining the existing characteristics and functions of each of our settlements, and
- helping to assess the opportunities to provide new sustainable development and improve infrastructure (also see our separate Settlement Profiles document).

1.6 Bringing housing, employment and services closer together in and around settlements in the future will contribute to their vitality by:
- supporting existing and new services and facilities
- helping to create vibrant and lively places, and
- increasing accessibility for all sections of society – this reduces the need for people to travel by private motor vehicle, bringing multiple environmental and quality of life benefits.

1.7 The settlement hierarchy will help us decide the location of future development in the borough. We will then use other technical studies to determine the right amount of new

development that is appropriate for each settlement.  It will help to make sure the scale of any new development planned by the new Local Plan is appropriate for the settlement in question and that it is adequately supported by physical infrastructure and services.

# 2.0   Policy context

2.1    The current Local Plan 2003 provides the main planning policies for new development within Guildford borough.  Since the adoption of the Local Plan there have been a number of changes to national planning policy, which we must take into consideration while preparing the new Local Plan.

### National planning policy

2.2    The government published the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) on 27 March 2012, replacing most previous national planning policy.

2.3    The purpose of the planning system is to contribute to the achievement of sustainable development.  One of the key principles of national policy is an understanding of the different roles and character or different areas.  This enables us to direct growth to those areas that are most sustainable in terms of the services and facilities they offer, or can be made more sustainable through additional growth, and the ease of getting to them.

### Local policy

2.4    Our current Local Plan has a very simple settlement hierarchy.  The Guildford Borough Local Plan 2003 aims to focus the majority of new housing provision within the urban areas of Guildford and Ash and Tongham.  The Local Plan goes on to identify a number of settlements within the Green Belt.  Policy RE3 permits limited infilling within their identified settlement boundaries as defined in the earlier Local Plan 1993 (page 85). Policy RE2 also permits very limited development for local affordable housing needs in the Green Belt (page 84).   Given these constraints to development, many of these settlements have changed very little in the past 20 years.

2.5    All our villages and hamlets within the borough lie within the Green Belt, except for Ash Green, which is located in the local designation of Countryside Beyond the Green Belt. Under policy RE4 of the Local Plan 2003, Countryside Beyond the Green Belt land is afforded the same level of protection as the Green Belt.  However, this policy does not fully conform with new national planning policy as this is a local rather than a national designation.  As a result, we can no longer apply this level of protection and need to plan for development in the context of the presumption in favour of sustainable development instead.

2.6    The current Local Plan 2003 has 24 identified settlements, all within the Green Belt, that have defined settlement boundaries. These settlements vary considerably in size and character and include the following:

- Albury
- Chilworth
- Compton
- East Horsley
- Effingham
- Fairlands
- Flexford
- Gomshall
- Holmbury St. Mary

- Jacobswell
- Normandy
- Peaslake
- Pirbright
- Puttenham
- Ripley
- Send
- Send Marsh/Burnt Common

- Shalford
- Shere
- West Clandon
- West Horsley (North)
- West Horsley (South)
- Wood Street
- Worplesdon

2.7    You can view the boundaries of these identified settlements in the Local Plan 2003 proposals map (paper copy) and via Maps Online.  This document does not assess whether each settlement should or should not be within the Green Belt in the new Local Plan.  We have undertaken that assessment work as part of the Green Belt and Countryside Study (link).

2.8    Some of the smallest hamlets and isolated groups of homes in Guildford borough have never been identified as settlements for planning purposes.  This is because they do not have the necessary cohesiveness (for example, they are so loose knit as to make it impossible to justify a boundary) or because they do not contain enough key services and infrastructure to warrant settlement status.

# 3.0  Approach

3.1    This section of the paper identifies how we have appraised each settlement.  This has been done primarily through assessing each settlement on its relative accessibility to a range of services, facilities and employment opportunities.

### Sustainability indicators

3.2    We have used a number of economic and social indicators to assess the sustainability of each settlement.  Please note these are different to the sustainability indicators used in our Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report.  For the purposes of this study, these include:

- the presence of shops, schools and community facilities located in or in the vicinity of the settlement.  Community facilities are libraries, places of

worship, doctors, dentists, children's play areas, recreation ground/park/public open space, public houses/bars/inns, restaurants/cafes/takeaways, community hall, post office and bank or building society
- access to public transport
- access to employment opportunities

3.3 Appendix A sets out the criteria that we used to assess each settlement and the scoring system we have assigned to each. In many cases, we have used a number of criteria to form an overall assessment of one indicator, such as accessibility. The scoring also differs between criteria depending on its relative importance and the extent to which it contributes towards overall sustainability. We gathered the information using a combination of desktop research and parish council questionnaires.

3.4 We sent a questionnaire (see appendix B) to all parish councils which asked them to consider the services and facilities that exist within the village. The results are presented in appendix C.

3.5 Using the total score achieved per settlement it is possible to rank them in terms of how they perform based purely on sustainability indicators. This is set out in table 1 below.

| Settlement | Population (2011) | Sustainability ranking |
|---|---|---|
| Guildford urban area | 73,779 | 1 |
| Ash and Tongham urban area | 19,452 | 2 |
| East Horsley | 3,785 | 3 |
| Pirbright | 1,493 | 4 |
| Shalford | 2,439 | 4 |
| Chilworth | 1,852 | 6 |
| Effingham | 2,577 | 7 |
| Send | 2,314 | 7 |
| Ripley | 1,620 | 9 |
| Fairlands | 1,412 | 10 |
| Shere | 670 | 11 |
| Wood Street Village | 1,619 | 12 |
| Jacobs Well | 1,123 | 13 |
| Normandy | 585 | 13 |
| West Clandon (North and South) | 1,363 | 13 |
| West Horsley (North and South) | 2,828 | 13 |
| Gomshall | 1,228 | 17 |
| Peaslake | 1,503 | 17 |
| Albury | 870 | 19 |
| Send Marsh/ Burntcommon | 1,931 | 19 |
| Peasmarsh | 528 | 21 |
| Shackleford | 253 | 21 |
| Worplesdon | 1,242 | 23 |
| Holmbury St Mary | 229 | 24 |
| Puttenham | 601 | 24 |
| Seale and The Sands | 635 | 24 |
| Compton | 1,154 | 27 |
| East Clandon | 268 | 27 |
| Flexford | 1,199 | 27 |
| Ash Green | 593 | 30 |
| Ockham | 410 | 31 |
| Wanborough | 335 | 32 |

**Table 1:** settlement ranking using sustainability indicators

## Categorising the settlements

3.6    We considered that six categories best described the main types of settlements within the borough.  Figure 2 below shows the categories ranked from most sustainable, at the top of the settlement hierarchy, to least sustainable.

3.7    The categories are defined as follows:
   - **urban area** - will be the main focus for development in the borough
   - **rural service centre** - the main focus for substantial development outside of the urban areas
   - **large villages** - villages unsuitable for substantial growth but capable of accommodating a proportionate extension
   - **medium village** - villages unsuitable for substantial growth but capable of taking appropriate residential infill and development. These villages will benefit from small-scale development to meet local needs but not the level of growth envisaged for the larger rural villages. Local needs include employment, amenity and community facilities as well as small scale infill housing and rural exception sites for affordable housing.
   - **small villages** - villages suitable for taking appropriate small-scale infill housing. Employment, community facilities and affordable housing to meet local needs would also be appropriate.
   - **other rural communities** (hamlets/ribbon developments) - rural communities unsuitable for taking any development including infill housing. These are communities not delineated with a settlement boundary.
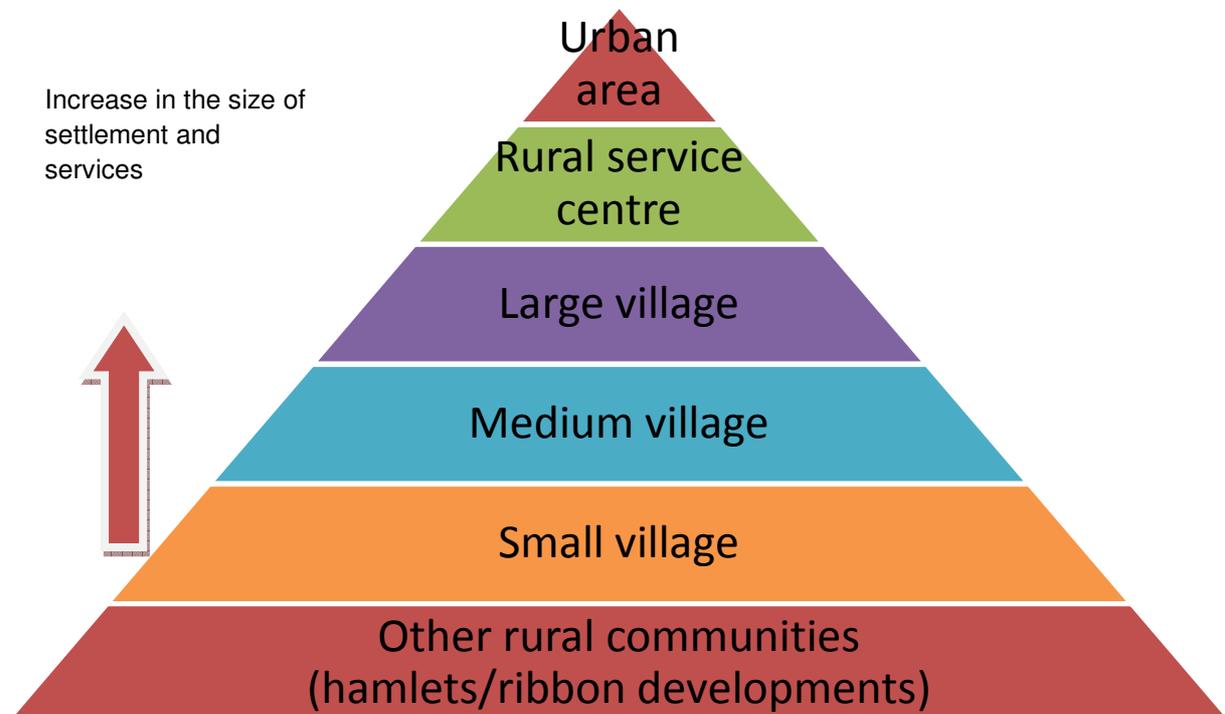
Increase in the size of settlement and services

Urban area

Rural service centre

Large village

Medium village

Small village

Other rural communities (hamlets/ribbon developments)

**Figure 1:** the categories of settlement in our hierarchy

# 4.0  Updated settlement hierarchy

4.1    We primarily used the sustainability ranking as the basis for the hierarchy however we also used other contextual information such as population size to amend it where appropriate. In these cases, we have clearly stated the reasons for deviating from the sustainability ranking.  The villages within each category are not in a ranked order.

| Category | Settlement | Justification for deviation from ranking or sustainability scoring |
|---|---|---|
| Urban area | Guildford urban area<br>Ash and Tongham urban area | |
| Rural service centre | East Horsley | |
| Large village | Pirbright<br>Shalford<br>Chilworth<br>Effingham<br>Send<br>Ripley<br>Fairlands<br>Wood Street Village<br>West Horsley (North and South)<br>Peaslake<br>Send Marsh/ Burntcommon | Due to West Horsley and Send Marsh/Burntcommon's population and their close proximity to the services in East Horsley and Send respectively, they sit comfortably in this category with the other large villages.<br><br>The population of Peaslake also means that it sits more comfortably in this category. |
| Medium village | Jacobs Well<br>West Clandon (North and South)<br>Gomshall<br>Worplesdon<br>Compton<br>Flexford | The populations of Worplesdon, Compton and Flexford mean that they sit comfortably in this category with the other medium villages. |
| Small village | Shere<br>Normandy<br>Albury<br>Peasmarsh<br>Puttenham<br>Ash Green | The populations of Shere, Normandy and Ash Green mean that they sit comfortably in this category with the other small villages. |
| Loose knit/hamlets | Shackleford<br>Holmbury St Mary<br>Seale and The Sands<br>East Clandon<br>Ockham<br>Wanborough<br>Eashing<br>Farley Green<br>Hurtmore | Due to the low population and loose knit form of development Holmbury St Mary and Seale and The Sands are considered to be loose knit villages/hamlets. |

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|---|---|---|
| Littleton/Artington<br>Peaslake<br>Wisley<br>Wyke | | |

# 5.0  Settlement profiles

5.1    Detailed information on each settlement can be found in the Settlement Profiles document.  The document includes a detailed profile for each settlement and includes information on their size, form, character, and further details on their sustainability indicators and how the community functions.

5.2    It also includes information on each settlement's environmental designations. Although we have not considered this factor as part of the settlement hierarchy, it is an important consideration particularly when assessing its potential development capacity.  For instance if a settlement is located within the nationally designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) then this would limit the extent to which major development could occur without detrimentally harming the landscape character of the area.  These designations are listed below.

| Environmental designations/ constraints | |
|---|---|
| Green Belt | This is a nationally recognised protective designation however its boundaries can be amended in response to the needs for sustainable development through the Local Plan process. |
| Countryside beyond the Green Belt | This is a local designation, originating as Other Countryside in the now withdrawn Surrey Structure Plan and countryside in the NPPF. |
| Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) | These are sites designated by Natural England which are considered to the best wildlife and geological sites |
| Special areas of conservation (SAC) | These are sites are designated under the European Commission Habitats Directive and have a very high level of protection from development. |
| Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) | Extensive areas to the south of the borough lie within the Surrey Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), designated by Natural England in view of their nationally important landscape.  This is a nationally recognised landscape designation.  There are several small villages and hamlets in the AONB but generally it is a relatively sparsely populated and undeveloped area, which is dominated by open countryside and extensive attractive views. |
| Areas of Great Landscape Value (AGLV) | Extensive areas to the south of the borough lie within an Area of Great Landscape Value (AGLV).  This is an area of local landscape significance but is not a national designation. |
| Special Protection Area (SPA) | In March 2005, the government designated areas of heathland within the Thames Valley as the Thames Basin Heaths Special |

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|---|---|
| | Protection Area (TBH SPA) under the European Commission Birds Directive. Natural England believes that recreational use of the heaths arising from housing developments near to a SPA will disturb rare bird populations. As a result, all housing developments within five kilometres of a SPA are subject to stringent tests and impact assessments and housing development with 400m is prohibited. |
| Conservation areas | Areas designated for their special architectural and historic interest. |
| Ancient woodland | This is defined as land that has been continually wooded since at least 1600AD. |
| Scheduled Ancient Monuments | Protection against unauthorised change given to nationally important archaeological sites or historic buildings. |
| Historic parks and gardens | The register of Historic Parks and Gardens of special historic interest in England identifies sites assessed to be of national importance. |
| Areas at risk of flooding | Future development within areas liable to flood (Flood zone 2 and 3) will not be granted planning permission where it would exacerbate or increase any risk of flooding. |

# 6.0  Conclusions

6.1     This study will form part of our evidence base and will help inform the new Local Plan. Our evidence base and Sustainbaility Appraisal (SA) will assist us in making decisions regarding the future location of development.  It will highlight those areas that are considered to be the most sustainable and will make recommendations regarding which settlements might be able to accommodate, and best benefit from, additional growth.

6.2     This settlement hierarchy evidence indicates that it would be appropriate to direct new development  towards Guildford Urban Area, Ash and Tongham Urban Area, East Horsley together with West Horsley (North and South), Shalford, Chilworth, Effingham, Send, Send Marsh/Burntcommon, Ripley, Fairlands and Wood Street Village.

6.3     We have assessed these locations as the most sustainable in terms of their level of community services and facilities, access to higher order centres and employment opportunities, and ability to support new development.

6.4    There are other settlements that have been identified through the evidence gathering such as West Clandon (North and South), Flexford and Normandy which would benefit from future development and improved access to key services for local residents.

6.5    Directing growth to these settlements is in accordance with the national policy which states that planning policy should actively manage patterns of growth to make the fullest possible use of public transport, walking and cycling, and further focus significant development in locations which are, or can be made sustainable.

## 7.0   Monitoring and reviewing the settlement hierarchy

7.1    We produce the Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) which monitors new development. This helps to determine whether the vast majority of new homes and other forms of development are being located within the most sustainable locations.  Through the AMR we will monitor the effectiveness of our new Local Plan and, if necessary, it will trigger a review of either our policies or the supporting evidence base

# 8.0  Appendices

## Appendix A – Scoring of sustainability indicators

## Shops

**Convenience** – shops selling goods such as food, newspapers and drinks that tend to be purchased regularly and for which convenience of purchase is therefore important i.e. a general store, newsagent.

**Comparison** – shops selling non-food items including clothing, footwear, household goods, furniture and electrical goods that purchasers compare on the basis of price and quality before buying.

For the local shopping to assist sustainable shopping patterns it is considered necessary for there to be at least one convenience store.  Where this is absent a score of zero has been recorded irrespective of the other shopping provision.

An extra score of 1 has been given to those settlements that contain a supermarket or superstore or have one within the village (classified as having a minimum retail floor space of 500sq.m.)

The source of this information was the shopping survey for the 2010 Town Centre Vitality and Viability Report and the Village audit questionnaires 2014 (see Appendix B).

**Score applied:**
0 = No shops
1 = 1-5 shops
2 = 6-10 shops
3 = 11-20 shops
4 = 21-30 shops
5 = 31-40 shops
6 = 41+ shops

## Schools

**Score applied to Infant Schools:**
0 = no infant/ independent school.
1 = independent school outside of the settlement.
2 = infant school outside of the settlement or independent school in the settlement.
3 = infant school in the settlement.

**Score applied to Primary Schools (includes infant, junior and preparatory schools):**
0 = no primary/ independent school.
1 = independent school outside of the settlement.
2 = primary school outside of the settlement or independent school in the settlement.
3 = primary school in the settlement.

**Score applied to Secondary Schools:**
0 = no secondary school.

1 = independent secondary school outside of the settlement but close by.
2 = state secondary school outside of the settlement but close by or independent secondary school in the settlement.
3 = state secondary school in the settlement.

This information was gathered from our Infrastructure Baseline document, desktop research and the village audit questionnaires 2014. The Council's Geographical Information System (GIS) was then used to establish whether the educational facilities were inside or outside the settlement areas. If the school was further than 1km from the settlement then this was not counted as it would not add to the sustainability of the settlement. This indicator does not take into account the availability of school places in state funded schools as this is dealt with by Surrey County Council and varies year on year.

## Other Community Facilities

**Score applied**
For the community facilities listed below, a score of 1 has been given if the facility is present. A score of 0 has been given if the facility is not present (unless otherwise stated).

Different facilities were treated as follows:

## Libraries
Information on the location and opening times of permanent libraries was obtained from the Surrey County Council website: www.surreycc.gov.uk and the Village audit questionnaires 2011. It is their future intention to remove the mobile library from service; therefore this does not form part of the scoring.

## Place of Worship
This information was gathered from site visits and the Guildford Borough Council website www.guildford.gov.uk and the Village audit questionnaires 2014.

## Doctors' surgeries

**Score applied**
0 = not present
3 = present

The source of this information was the NHS choices website www.nhs.uk/servicedirectories and the Village audit questionnaires 2014.

## Dentists
This information was gathered from site visits and the Guildford Borough Council website www.guildford.gov.uk and the Village audit questionnaires 2014.

## Children's Play Areas
The source of this information was our open spaces research and the Village audit questionnaires 2014.

## Recreation ground/park/public open space

**Score applied**
0 = not present
1 = recreation ground or play area
2 = recreation ground and play area
3 = more than a recreation ground and play area

The source of this information was our open spaces research and the Village audit questionnaires 2014.

## Public Houses/ Bars/ Inns
This information was gathered from the Guildford Borough Council website www.guildford.gov.uk and the Village audit questionnaires 2014.

## Restaurants/ Cafes and Takeaways
This information was gathered from the Guildford Borough Council website www.guildford.gov.uk and the Village audit questionnaires 2014.

## Community hall

The source of this information was the Village audit questionnaires 2014.

## Post offices

**Score applied**
0 = not present
3 = present

This information was gathered from the post office website www.postoffice.co.uk and the Village audit questionnaires 2014.

## Banks or Building Societies
The source of this information was the Village audit questionnaires 2014.

## Petrol filling station
The source of this information was the Village audit questionnaires 2014.

## Bus Services
The source of this information was the Surrey County Council website www.surreycc.gov.uk and the Village audit questionnaires 2014.

**Score applied:**

Very Good Service = 4
- more than one direct route to a large urban centre,
- running Monday – Sunday,
- before 7.00am and after 7.00pm,
- over 20 buses a day.

Good Service = 3
- direct route to a large urban centre,
- running Monday – Friday, and a limited service on Saturday,
- before 8.00am and after 6.30pm (Monday - Friday),
- between 15 and 20 buses a day.

Reasonable Service = 2
- direct route to a large urban centre,
- running Monday – Friday, and a limited service on Saturday,
- before 8.30am and after 6.30pm (Monday - Friday),
- between 10 and 15 buses a day.

Limited Service = 1
- direct route to a large urban centre
- Monday – Friday,
- limited availability (under 10 services a day),
- after 9.00am.

No service = 0

Large urban centres are considered to be Guildford, Godalming, Woking, Ash, Farncombe and Aldershot.

## Railway Stations

This survey was undertaken using the Network Rail website www.networkrail.co.uk and the Village audit questionnaires 2014. Stations that are over a 1km walk from the village settlement have been given a score of 0 as they do not add to the settlements sustainability.

**Score applied:**

Very Good = 5
- running Monday – Sunday.
- before 7.00am and after 11pm.
- Less than 15 minutes travel time.
- under 15 minutes between each train.
- over 40 trains a day.

Good = 4
- running Monday – Sunday
- before 7.00am and after 11pm
- between 15 minutes and 30 minutes travel time.
- 30 minutes to 45 minutes between each train.
- fewer than 40 trains a day.

Reasonable = 3
- running Monday – Sunday.
- before 7.00am and after 11pm.
- Between 30 minutes and 45 minutes travel time.

- 45 minutes to 1hr between each train.
- fewer than 30 trains a day.

Limited = 2
- running Monday – Sunday
- before 7.30am and after 11pm.
- between 45 minutes and 1hr travel time.
- Over 1hr between each train.
- fewer than 20 trains a day.

Very Limited = 1
- running Monday – Saturday
- between 7.00am and 7.30pm.
- 1hr travel time.
- Over 1hr between each train.
- fewer than 20 trains a day.

No service = 0

## Employment

The source of this information was the Village audit questionnaires 2011.

Local employment
0 = no employment
1 = limited employment
2 = multiple small employers
3= multiple large employers

## The Wider Employment Market

Look at the wider employment market and where it would be possible to commute using sustainable transport such as bus, train or bicycle. Wider employment areas are considered to be Guildford, Godalming, Woking, Ash, Farncombe, Aldershot and London.

**Score applied:**
0 = not accessible
3 = wider employment market accessible

## Appendix B – Questionnaire

## Guildford borough Settlement Hierarchy
### Parish Council questionnaire – audit of services and facilities

## General Information

| Parish | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Village | | | |
| How was the information collated? (indicate with an x in all relevant boxes) | Individual | Group | Discussed at Parish Council Meeting |
| | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| If appropriate tell us more about how this information has been compiled | | | |
| Contact details (name) | | | |
| Address | | | |
| Telephone | | | |
| Email | | | |

## Retailing

How many retail units are there in your village?

| Convenience* | None | One | Two | Three | Four+ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| Comparison** | None | One | Two | Three | Four+ |
| | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| Supermarket*** | None | One | Two | Three | Four+ |
| | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |

*Convenience shops supply everyday essential items, including food, drinks, newspapers, and confectionary

\*\*Comparison shops supply items not obtained frequently, including clothing, footwear, household and recreational goods
\*\*\*A supermarket is classified as having a minimum retail floor space of 500sq.m

| Farm shop within village | Yes | No |
|---|---|---|
| | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Farm shop outside village** | **Yes** | **No** |
| | ☐ | ☐ |

**Additional comments on retail services (proposed closures, opening house, parking, access etc):**

## Other facilities

How many of the following facilities are in your village?

| | None | One | Two | Three | Four+ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Restaurants/café/takeaway** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Public Houses/bar/Inn** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Places of worship** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Post office** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Petrol filling station** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **GP surgery** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Bank/Building Society** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Dentist** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Permanent Library** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |

| | Yes | No |
|---|---|---|
| **Does the mobile library visit?** | ☐ | ☐ |

**Additional comments on other facilities (proposed closures, opening hours, parking, access etc):**

# Community facilities

Does your village have any of the following community facilities?

|  | Yes | No |
| --- | :---: | :---: |
| **School hall (for rent)** | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Village hall** | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Church hall** | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Meeting room** | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Community centre** | ☐ | ☐ |

**Other facilities please specify:**

# Sport and recreation

Does your village have any of the following sport and recreation facilities?

|  | Yes | No |
| --- | :---: | :---: |
| **Recreation ground** | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Cricket pitch(es)** | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Bowling green(s)** | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Football pitch(es)** | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Rugby pitch(es)** | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Children's play area(s)** | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Allotments** | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Public access to school recreation areas** | ☐ | ☐ |
| **An area of open space with public access** | ☐ | ☐ |

**Additional comments on sport and recreation:**

## Schools

Does your village have any schools within it or just outside of it (within 1 km of the settlement)?

|  | None | Inside our village | Outside our village |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State infant school** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Private infant school** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **State primary school** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Private primary school** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **State secondary school** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |
| **Private secondary school** | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ |

**Additional comments on schools:**

## Public transport

Please select the level of bus service in your village

| Bus service | Select level of service |
|---|---|
| **No bus service** | ☐ |
| **Very good service**<br>• **More then one direct route to an urban centre*** <br>• **Running Monday-Sunday** <br>• **Runs before 7.00am and after 7.00pm** <br>• **Over 20 buses a day** | ☐ |
| **Good service**<br>• **Direct service to an urban centre*** <br>• **Running Monday-Friday, and a limited service on a Saturday** <br>• **Runs before 8.00am and after 6.30pm (Monday-Friday)** <br>• **Between 15 and 20 buses a day** | ☐ |
| **Reasonable service**<br>• **Direct route to an urban centre** <br>• **Running Monday-Friday, and a limited serviced on a Saturday** <br>• **Runs before 8.30am and after 6.30pm (Monday-Friday_** <br>• **Between 10 and 15 buses a day** | ☐ |

| | Select level of service |
|---|---|
| **Limited service** <br> • **Direct route to an urban centre*** <br> • **Monday-Friday** <br> • **Limited availability (under 10 services a day)** <br> • **Runs after 9.00am** | ☐ |

*Urban centres are considered to include Guildford, Godalming, Woking, Ash, Farncombe and Aldershot

**Additional comments on the local bus service (times, frequency, punctuality, cost, bus stops):**

Please select the level of train service in your village (stations within 1km of the settlement)

| Train service | Select level of service |
|---|---|
| **No train station within my village** | ☐ |
| **Very good** <br> • **Running Monday-Sunday** <br> • **Before 7.00am and after 11pm** <br> • **Less than 15 minutes travel time** <br> • **Under 15 minutes between each train each way** <br> • **Over 40 trains a day** | ☐ |
| **Good** <br> • **Running Monday-Sunday** <br> • **Before 7.00am and after 11pm** <br> • **Between 15 and 30 minutes travel time** <br> • **30 to 45 minutes between each train each way** <br> • **Fewer than 40 trains a day** | ☐ |
| **Reasonable** <br> • **Running Monday-Sunday** <br> • **Before 7.00am and after 11pm** <br> • **Between 30 and 45 minutes travel time** <br> • **45 minutes to 1 hour between each train each way** <br> • **Fewer than 30 trains a day** | ☐ |
| **Limited** <br> • **Running Monday-Sunday** <br> • **Before 7.30am and after 11pm** <br> • **Between 45 minutes and 1 hour travel time** <br> • **Over 1 hour between each train each way** <br> • **Fewer than 20 trains a day** | ☐ |
| **Very limited** <br> • **Running Monday-Saturday** <br> • **Before 7.00am and 7.30pm** <br> • **1hr travel time** <br> • **Over 1 hour between each train each way** <br> • **Fewer than 20 trains a day** | ☐ |

**Additional comments on the local train service (times, frequency, punctuality, cost):**

## Employment

Are you aware of any employment within your village (not including shops, pubs, schools etc)? For example, are there are businesses that employ local people? If so are you able to give any details, name location and possibly the number of employees?

Are you aware of any employment close by but outside of your village (not including shops, pubs, schools etc) that is accessible by using sustainable transport such as bus or bicycle? If you are able to give any details, name location and possibly the number of employees?

## Do you have any other comments?

### Thank you for responding to our questionnaire.

All responses must be returned by **Wednesday, 23 April 2014** and can be emailed to planningpolicy@guildford.gov.uk or posted to Planning Policy, Guildford Borough Council, Millmead, Guildford, GU2 4BB

Tel: 01483 444 471

**Appendix C – Results of sustainability scoring**

| Settlement | Population | Convenience and comparison | supermarket | total shopping facilities ranking | Infant | Primary | Secondary | total school ranking | restaurant/ café/ take away | pub/ bar/ inn | Place of Worship | post office | petrol filling station | GP surgery | bank/ building society | Dentist | Permanent library | village/ community hall | Open space | Children's play area | total community facilities ranking |
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| | | Shops | | | Schools | | | | Other community facilities | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Albury | 870 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 11 |
| Ash and Tongham urban area | 19,452 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 17 |
| Ash Green | 593 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Chilworth | 1,852 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 10 |
| Compton | 1,154 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 7 |

| Settlement | Population | Shops | | | Schools | | | | Other community facilities | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | Convenience and comparison | supermarket | total shopping facilities ranking | Infant | Primary | Secondary | total school ranking | restaurant/ café/ take away | pub/ bar/ inn | Place of Worship | post office | petrol filling station | GP surgery | bank/ building society | Dentist | Permanent library | village/ community hall | Open space | Children's play area | total community facilities ranking |
| East Clandon | 268 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| East Horsley | 3,785 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 18 |
| Effingham | 2,577 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 11 |
| Fairlands | 1,412 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 12 |
| Flexford | 1,199 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gomshall | 1,228 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 7 |

| Settlement | Population | Shops | | | Schools | | | | Other community facilities | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | Convenience and comparison | supermarket | total shopping facilities ranking | Infant | Primary | Secondary | total school ranking | restaurant/ café/ take away | pub/ bar/ inn | Place of Worship | post office | petrol filling station | GP surgery | bank/ building society | Dentist | Permanent library | village/ community hall | Open space | Children's play area | total community facilities ranking |
| Guildford urban area | 73,779 | 6 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 18 |
| Holmbury St Mary | 229 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| Jacobs Well | 1,123 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 9 |
| Normandy | 585 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 9 |
| Ockham | 410 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| Peaslake | 1,503 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 12 |

| Settlement | Population | Shops | | | Schools | | | | Other community facilities | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | Convenience and comparison | supermarket | total shopping facilities ranking | Infant | Primary | Secondary | total school ranking | restaurant/ café/ take away | pub/ bar/ inn | Place of Worship | post office | petrol filling station | GP surgery | bank/ building society | Dentist | Permanent library | village/ community hall | Open space | Children's play area | total community facilities ranking |
| Peasmarsh | 528 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| Pirbright | 1,493 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 11 |
| Puttenham | 601 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| Ripley | 1,620 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 12 |
| Seale and The Sands | 635 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 8 |
| Send | 2,314 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 14 |

| Settlement | Population | Shops | | | Schools | | | | Other community facilities | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | Convenience and comparison | supermarket | total shopping facilities ranking | Infant | Primary | Secondary | total school ranking | restaurant/ café/ take away | pub/ bar/ inn | Place of Worship | post office | petrol filling station | GP surgery | bank/ building society | Dentist | Permanent library | village/ community hall | Open space | Children's play area | total community facilities ranking |
| Send Marsh/ Burntcommon | 1,931 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Shackleford | 253 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 |
| Shalford | 2,439 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 11 |
| Shere | 670 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 14 |
| Wanborough | 335 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| West Clandon (North and South) | 1,363 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 7 |

| Settlement | Population | Shops | | | Schools | | | | Other community facilities | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| West Horsley (North and South) | 2,828 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 9 |
| Wood Street Village | 1,619 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| Worplesdon | 1,242 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 7 |

| Settlement | Population | Public transport | | | Employment | | | Total | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Bus service | Rail service | total public transport rating | local employment opportunities | wider employment market | total employment ranking | total score | total ranking |
| Albury | 870 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 17 | 19 |
| Ash and Tongham urban area | 19,452 | 4 | 5 | 9 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 48 | 2 |
| Ash Green | 593 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 30 |
| Chilworth | 1,852 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 28 | 6 |
| Compton | 1,154 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 27 |
| East Clandon | 268 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 27 |

| Settlement | Population | Public transport | | | Employment | | | Total | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Bus service | Rail service | total public transport rating | local employment opportunities | wider employment market | total employment ranking | total score | total ranking |
| East Horsley | 3,785 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 38 | 3 |
| Effingham | 2,577 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 26 | 7 |
| Fairlands | 1,412 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 24 | 10 |
| Flexford | 1,199 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 10 | 27 |
| Gomshall | 1,228 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 18 | 17 |
| Guildford urban area | 73,779 | 4 | 5 | 9 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 49 | 1 |
| Holmbury St | 229 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 11 | 24 |

| Settlement | Population | Public transport | | | Employment | | | Total | |
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| | | Bus service | Rail service | total public transport rating | local employment opportunities | wider employment market | total employment ranking | total score | total ranking |
| Mary | | | | | | | | | |
| Jacobs Well | 1,123 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 19 | 13 |
| Normandy | 585 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 19 | 13 |
| Ockham | 410 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 31 |
| Peaslake | 1,503 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 18 | 17 |
| Peasmarsh | 528 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 16 | 21 |
| Pirbright | 1,493 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 29 | 4 |

| Settlement | Population | Public transport | | | Employment | | | Total | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Bus service | Rail service | total public transport rating | local employment opportunities | wider employment market | total employment ranking | total score | total ranking |
| Puttenham | 601 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 24 |
| Ripley | 1,620 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 25 | 9 |
| Seale and The Sands | 635 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 24 |
| Send | 2,314 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 26 | 7 |
| Send Marsh/ Burntcommon | 1,931 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 17 | 19 |
| Shackleford | 253 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 16 | 21 |

| Settlement | Population | Public transport | | | Employment | | | Total | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Bus service | Rail service | total public transport rating | local employment opportunities | wider employment market | total employment ranking | total score | total ranking |
| Shalford | 2,439 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 29 | 4 |
| Shere | 670 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 23 | 11 |
| Wanborough | 335 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 32 |
| West Clandon (North and South) | 1,363 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 19 | 13 |
| West Horsley (North and South) | 2,828 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 19 | 13 |
| Wood Street Village | 1,619 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 20 | 12 |

| Settlement | Population | Public transport | | | Employment | | | Total | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Bus service | Rail service | total public transport rating | local employment opportunities | wider employment market | total employment ranking | total score | total ranking |
| Worplesdon | 1,242 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 15 | 23 |