

Dear Emma

I have further comments.

PAGE 59 Rural character. I have not found a specific reference to our good fortune in maintaining that character is due in no small part to the fact that many of the roadside spaces are in fact Manorial Waste , some of which is by accident of history also Registered as common land. These factors have provided the rural homogeneity which we have sought to maintain by objecting to attempts by frontagers to expand their ownership by adding white stones and posts and urbanizing tweerie such as wishing wells etc. I suggest that resisting such clutter would be that much more difficult if we lose our ' green wash'

Page 67 Local Green Spaces.

7.34 These ought to include Burrow Hill Green (on which I produced a detailed contribution along the way) and all of Little Heath both (not only the green areas) of which should be afforded the maximum protection. Until recently the east side of the Green was used for village events such as the November 5th celebrations

Page 84 In my experience of flat management one bed flats almost always generate two vehicles especially in areas that are as poorly served by public transport as Chobham.

Page 118 Why called Benham's Corner. For many years the Benham family operated Town Mill situated close by at the rear of the Co-op store. They also traded from shop premises on both sides of the junction, selling bulbs and garden requisites from the west side, and provisions from the east, They also raised fields of tulips on what is now the water meadows Sang.

I am afraid that time constraints have not allowed me to hit this in one go. I would reiterate that the proposed removal of the green wash is not acceptable especially with politicians threatening change green to grey in order to

Build on every blade of grass.

Regards

James

From:

Sent: Friday, June 7, 2024 9:12 PM

Subject: Neighbourhood Plan

Dear Emma

I am still wading through the draft and so far I have come across the following which need attention:-

1 On your views I am not sure that you have shown the most attractive around the cricket field/ church. Also across the fields from Station Rd roughly opposite Dayborns garage.

2 You have featured a view of Fair Oaks but nothing of or from the Common. Probably the best view is from the north side of Jubilee Mount looking north across Albury Bottom towards Tank Hill, and another from Staple Hill Clump towards the North Downs. There is also the view north from Staple Hill with Wembley Stadium on the skyline.

3 page 51 at 6.8 it is not a Farmers Market Marietta advises that it should be referred to a weekly Country Market.

4 . 2.8 I don't know when you last pottered round the shops but as far as I know there are no antique shops and have not been for several years.

5 Page 45 My pond never has been referred to as Staple Hill Pond. It was my observation during flash summer storms of the way storm water in 2006 and again a year later headed in great quantities directly to the village. It should be pointed out that it took over 10 years to overcome resistance from the various authorities finally as a result of citizen pressure the borough's drainage engineer came up with the two Attenuation Ponds as now exist. These are virtually maintenance free and have so far held back the millions of gallons of water coming off the common until the village streams can safely take it. The system works by the first pond having controlled water level by way of pipes through the first dam from which the water flows into the second pond which in turn is formed by the raised causeway which carries the Heathrow oil pipeline.

The main concern revolves around the removal of the green wash something I can see as being dangerous to the setting of the village, and which will cause it to develop the appearance of those parts of the existing village which the planners say disqualify it from green belt village status,

Regards

James Osbourn