



Andover Town Council

To **receive** a report on the Land Purchase Project and to consider actions (if any).

Item No. **20**

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By: Town Clerk

Date of Report: 15 Feb 2024

Update:

The Council have approved that the project progress to survey the Town to obtain support for the project. The survey is available online: <https://forms.office.com/e/rBRNBw8A6>

Actions undertaken:

1 st Feb	<p>TVBC kindly allowed the Town Council to hold an open day in an empty shop in the Town Centre. The space was manned from 9.00 to 17:00 by Councillor Neate and the Town Clerk.</p> <p>39 Town residents visited and discussed the land purchase details with Councillors Farren, Reynolds, Meyer and Bird who all assisted during varying periods throughout the day. Residents were encouraged to fill in the online survey, although some took away paper versions to fill in at home.</p>
5 th Feb	Email to Andover Vision Team asking if they could help publicise the online survey.
12 th Feb	<p>Another consultation day was held at the Village Hall in Picket Piece by Councillor H Neate and the Town Clerk.</p> <p>This was well attended with 59 residents attending. Councillor Farren spent some time in the morning helping with questions, and the event was also supported by Test Valley Borough Councillors N Lodge and C Donnelly.</p> <p>Posts on Local community Facebook pages and the Town Councils Facebook page have been made frequently.</p> <p>The Andover Advertiser visited the Consultation and wrote an article to help with publicity of the survey.</p>
15 th Feb	The BiD and Unity have been contacted to find out if there are ways that they can help publicise the online survey for us.
Current.	The survey runs until 14 th March at Midnight, after which the results will be collated. Cllr T Gregory has offered to assist with this process. After this the Council's Auditor will independently verify the results.

