

# Comments from Great Missenden & Prestwood Revitalisation Group

## Community Vision Update 2018

### 8. What type of projects would you like to see community funding associated with HS2 spent on?

Boosting community facilities and easing road congestion

Place-making project for Prestwood Village Centre combined with improved parking facilities on part of Junior School land, accessed via Pepys Drive in Prestwood

Improving and maintaining the parks/roads. Tidying up the scruffy areas of the Village.

Improve the pavements for elderly villagers on mobility scooters, and High Street lighting.

Stopping hs2/ relieving the massive traffic issues it will cause

Landscape restoration and sound shielding.

Nature conservation. Improved access to halls for community use.

Improving roads eg junction with A413 at hospital. Better play equipment for children in parks (eg Prestwood Playground).

Green pathway from Wendover to Little Missenden. Improvements to Station Approach (in front of Hamptons), renovation of GM Memorial Hall.

Improve community buildings.

Parking

Parking, parking, improved roads and pavements that are clear of leaves and rubbish, providing for cyclists properly or upgrading footpaths for cyclists / the disabled and walkers.

Better transport for the villages

Children's play area in Prestwood, improved shop fronts in Prestwood and Great Missenden

The countryside's blood money? Keep it aside to help pay for health treatment when more people get asthma from all the HS2 building work.

Environmental regeneration. Aka fix the environment after they've destroyed it.

A new woodlands would be nice in any areas that become unusable for agriculture.

Green walk- and cycle-way along Misbourne from Mobwell to Little Missenden.

Short-term car-park at far end of station car-park for use of school drop-offs and short visits to shops etc.

Upgrade larger green spaces like Buryfields and Prestwood Common to enhance their biodiversity value.

More activities, clubs for kids and the elderly

Improved interaction/events that goes across all ages to encourage them to mix old with young

A nature reserve such as College Lake in Tring
Extension of facilities and work done by Community Library - for benefit of whole community. Possibly more public parking.
Better transport links and if possible more sports facilities I.e a pool or more reasonable gym membership, Sprinters is too expensive for a council funded gym when fitness 4 less is £18 per month for the same facilities but it's too far for teens to travel to on their own.
Parking for Great Missenden, nature or play related activities for children, landscaping and maybe a nice wood and adventure playground
SIGHT AND NOISE MITIGATION MEASURES. CAR PARKS
Proper road surface improvements.
Car parking at the edge of the villages very cheap for those using them.
Street lights. More things for teenagers/youth to do. Cycle path along Wycombe Road
Improving roads
Bury HS2 in a tunnel completely - don't want to see it or to hear it as it is of no benefit to our community but we will nonetheless suffer during its construction, particularly with regards to the construction traffic on our roads.
Planting trees
Sport/leisure facilities
Elder care/childcare
Improved facilities for youngsters; Planted troughs/containers at village boundaries (as Gt Kingshill has).
Blowing up HS2. Failing that improved road services and more support to get improved bus services.
Don't know
Cycle lanes
Refurbishment of memorial hall in GM and landscaping where appropriate in both GM and Prestwood
Making it quieter and not disrupting the roads
Road resurfacing at the end of the project as traffic will have increased massively in the area as a result
Nothing . I hate the thought of having anything to do with HS2.
Getting the 'A' road through Prestwood classified as a 'B' road!!
Better access on Prestwood Common
Improved facilities shops garage cafe business hub etc
improved road facilities and parking
Community spaces and events.
Better facilities on the Common
Sports

HS2 should be stopped. It's dirty money and so needs to be used wisely. It should go to those most in need so that at least some good can come out of it. Anything to further mitigate the issues it's going to cause.
Major improvements to the roads.
Facilities for younger people, eg. Sport, fitness and social clubs.
Activities for older people and outdoor gym and sports hall
Abbey Gym Club's new building at Sprinters
What community funding associated with HS2? Does Prestwood deserve any? Frankly I wish my taxes would not have to pay for it.
Better outdoor facilities for the whole family and the older people of the village
Not allowing construction traffic onto the A413. They have to remove soil etc. by building access roads that avoid main areas where people live.
Street Lighting
Village Centre, Community Feel, Green Spaces, benches
A community forest to completely surround Chequers so we cant see it, as successive Prime Ministers have foisted HS2 on us
Bike lanes
Public realm. HS2 funding needs to visibly improve how we look. We will all notice and appreciate visible investment and feel that any negative effects from the railway are being offset. Community projects that benefit a smaller group of people but are not seen or experienced by all are a good thing for the participants, but they would not be a priority for me versus public realm. I believe we need a tangible, physical legacy from HS2 that is an improvement to village infrastructure.
Youth projects
A swimming pool & better play park
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Developing the Common and related facilities
The roads. Please!
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Swimming pool in Prestwood.
Garden to teach children where food comes from. Nature trails for children.
Combined Facilities for Village providing School, Village Hall and Sports facilities on one site rather than scattered across the Village with inadequate facilities at each.

More provision for youth
Cycle, footway and road surfacing
Better parking by building new car parks
A community facility for local organisations as the leisure centre was supposed to be until....
Spend the money to stop HS2 and upgrade current rail networks + sort the roads out.
Activity that restores the AONB that is being destroyed by HS2 -eg woodland
A new community centre for Prestwood built on the Common
Filling in the potholes and making the pavements smoother.
I would not like to see any new Community Centre take business away from the Village Hall.
Upkeep of roads & pavements and traffic calming measures in place.
Road resurfacing
Swimming pool, gym more facilities for young people
Cancellation of it!
Environmental; biodiversity
Street lighting in Prestwood
Leisure seating for elderly and infirm.
Replanting of numerous trees that will be felled. Nature conservation areas for wildlife that will inevitably be disrupted / destroyed.
Swimming pool and play park area
A village wide 20 mph zone
A new playground for all ages
Some community facilities for S Heath; community transport between hill top villages & Gt Miss. Help to preserve The George.
A village centre in South Heath
Roundabout/traffic lights at A413 junction near Chiltern Hospital
Outdoor gymnastics & fitness equipment + Business Community activities
Schools & better local transport; also to London, Birmingham - to access HS2
Anything that enlivens the hearts of Gt Missenden and Chesham and militates against them becoming purely commuter and old-age zones. Any chance of up-scaling the Roald Dahl Museum?
Cycle routes and street furniture
More affordable housing for local young families
A Prestwood 'chatroom' for the elderly.
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Village Hall, cycle path (to GM in particular)

Improving the look of Prestwood centre

A nature reserve on Prestwood Common (or GM field) - one with proper pathways so you can walk round and look at it properly in the winter too. Educational for little ones, and a nice space for adults to be in. Put a big fence and gates up so it can be locked at night and keep young trouble makers out.

Landscaping on Prestwood Common so it is less bleak (esp in Winter) - see above point re nature reserve.

A nicer, more natural, and more pleasant playground for children in Prestwood - e.g. wooden bridge, willow house, big stones to climb on. Trees to eventually provide some shade. The current playground is OK but doesn't inspire much creativity, in summer there is no shade, and in winter it is very exposed.

Tarmac Prestwood path system and allow bikes so not muddy and good for children to get around and sound under foot for elderly.

Support to Ballinger cricket club to further improve facilities. Improvement to the Lee hall. Help the Lee Shop to become a post office.

Swimming pool

More play areas for children

Creation of things to do for young people. Nature conservation.

Swimming pool

Restoring woodland to replace loss of ancient trees and scenic improvement.

No answer supplied

Car parking in Great Missenden

Walks & cycle way from Mobwell the length of the Misbourne

Restore the George as a pub/restaurant. Great Missenden very short of such facilities

A roundabout at the London End of the London Road where it joins the A413 to facilitate a one-way system for the village in Great Missenden. More street lighting, path improvements.

Shared space

Not sure as I don't know the terms and conditions of the Funding

Cycle Lanes

Replacement of footpaths destroyed by HS2

Maintaining the the beauty of the area. Safe guarding the area of outstanding beauty.

Minimising the impact of noise, traffic and the environment.

Environmental protection for what is left.

Better broadband, ecological improvements benefiting indigenous plants and animals.

Community swimming pool, improved children's play area, traffic calming measures on rat-run roads
Firstly not build the HS2! But as we have no choice maybe spend some money on the run down areas and try to change the way we live and socialise in the community
improved open spaces
Make our paths safer for pedestrians by creating parking and having a police presence.
Stuff fun for kids of all ages and young adults maybe a swimming pool
Schools, roads, areas for kids.
Connectivity between the villages improved and revitalising the high street starting with parking close to the high street. The lack of quick free parking close to the high street is an issue that hs2 funding could help
As many as possible to deter HS2 and if this is not possible then to give the best possible outcome ie as hidden as possible with good noise reduction and planting in place.
Parking facilities, green/community space
Conservation
I would like HS2 not to be happening. The disruption will be immense
Swimming Pool in association with a Youth Club
Parking
Pathways and lights, village links and sports pavilion. Building a good link between Prestwood and Great Kingshill (Path). Great Missenden High Street is a huge opportunity. Opportunity to capitalise on the setting in the Chilterns, Roald Dahl Centre and also on the Chiltern line. Also a centre point for walkers and Leisure tourists. Also with the work from home culture growing having better bandwidth speeds, mobile phones reception is crucial. This would attract whole host of people to the area, who will want to invest in facilities. I would like to see a better children's playground facilities for both the village centre. Improvement to Prestwood Common, which feels isolated from the hub of the village. A Better Sport/community Pavillion to support the colt football clubs and also other clubs could be the answer. I would like to see more social enterprise, such as cafes, no empty shop spaces and plenty of footfall in the village centres.
The Church Street Green could be developed as an orchard with a vegetable/herb area to provide fruit and other produce for local people and the Church School. A few seats could be added to provided under the trees for people to meet and to relax. Perhaps The Walled Garden Trust would be able to supervise the project with local volunteers!
Additional seats outside shops for elderly people to rest with their shopping bags
A communal facility for South Heath. Resurfacing of Ballinger Playing Field car park. Set up of web site for South Heath & Ballinger News ( eg The Lee Forum)
More cycling friendly
Youth centres, traffic free cycle paths/routes, improved cheap parking, continuous improvements for sport facilities
Traffic control and more car parking
Road safety, increased protection of pedestrians
Cheaper parking at station, Oyster card extension
Creating a communal centre the village that people would be proud of.

Improved/repared roads/more maintenance of the public open spaces we have, including restoring amount of mowing, and removal of weeds from pavements, more events in the library

Walled Garden at Missenden Abbey, AGE UK funding for GM, free parking for an hour everywhere in the village.

Raising awareness of the risks of poor lighting. Education projects on safe use of technology (including raising awareness of the risks of excessive blue light on screens and ways to alter this - education about the effects of blue light on dopamine levels related to addictive behaviour for parents and schools.

Protecting our local natural environment and insect life as the wasps and bees have almost disappeared - Chiltern meadows are almost silent even in peak flowering season but very little is ever publicised about this

Youth club and youth services. Traffic lights at Chiltern Hospital junction with A413 and new wider railway bridge (already planned?)

I would like to see the area in front of Hamptons, Matilda's and Costa completely changed with the removal of the "lump of stones" , new pavement covering and perhaps a tree planted there. As it is, it is a rather very tatty, depressing first impression to the village. This despite the huge improvement that has occurred with the renovation/building of the upper storeys.

Possibly cycle paths to Wendover and Amersham.

Parking improvements

Linking green spaces eg Boug's Meadow to Missenden Abbey parkland.

Footpaths linking the villages eg Little Kingshill to Gt Missenden via Windsor Lane.

Community centres (incl. Libraries). Supporting local shops and businesses. They keep the villages alive.

Wild flower planting in and around villages (as seen in Amersham).

Protecting the Misbourne River and chalk streams.

Combat congestion, maintain beauty of the area, facilities for youth.

Any that will enhance residents' wellbeing who pay the lion's share in Council Tax

Something for Teenagers to do which would help stop anti-social behaviour

Revitalisation of Link Road and Station Approach, a place making project to provide a gateway to Great Missenden with resin coated surfaces, new tree and wildflower planting, a picnic area and improved parking facilities screened by tree planting.

Foot and cycleways, facilities for residents, information board for tourists

Up-dating the Memorial Hall

Improved village hall

Community centre

Swimming pool

Focused village centre

Projects to reduce noise and hide the line/trains

Improving the Link Road entrance into the village of Great Missenden. Removing the 'bump' outside Hamptons/Matildas - UGLY Putting a tree, flowers instead.

Environmental

More community and sports facility. Better parking provision - a serious investment in say an underground/multi-storey car park (eg at Station)
Improving paths, making sure that people can use them without over hanging trees or bushes pushing people into the street. Feasibility study to create a new community centre Safer roads Reduction in the speed limit on some roads like Green Lane 20mph, the High Street during school times to be reduced to a 20mph zone Lighting in some areas Better facilities to keep younger people occupied to help prevent ASB.
Community facilities and infrastructure
Making the Common area a place to be proud of, for youngsters to go to and enjoy, maybe a children's play area. And a swimming pool.
The local Gymnastics club (Abbey Gym club) have been operating for 30 years and give opportunity for 200 children to take part each week, but have had a waiting list of 200+ for the last 15 years. They have planning permission and are looking to build a dedicated Gymnastics building with better and more equipment at Sprinters, Prestwood which will eliminate that waiting list and provide much better training. They need support and funding to make this happen and community funding should be aimed at projects like this which have the biggest impact on the community for over 400 children in the locality able to take part in a healthy and sporting activity which will have long term impact of the health of these children as they become adults.
Additional rooms at Village Hall.
I'd rather not have HS2
More frequent bus service to Great Missenden station so we can use the existing train service
Cleaning up the graffiti that has crept in, since HS2 created abandoned buildings. Restoring one of their acquisitions "The Barley Mow" or "The Black Horse" as a meeting place for local residents. With one proviso, we don't need another failed bistro, or wine bar, just a traditional village pub with simple, affordable pub food.
Refurb of GM Memorial Hall to make it light, bright & more user-friendly. Station Approach/High St refurb; green path GMiss to Little Miss.
Cycleway and improve playgrounds
Play areas & encourage more diverse groups of cyclists
Creating a central meeting place to replace closed pub.
Community grocery/farmshop store. Independent shop.
A place the whole community can enjoy
Cancelling HS2
Perhaps alternative access for C of E School. Church Street is too congested; surface is a mess; cars on pavements - have to squeeze past.
Improved parking and landscaping
Activities for the young. Landscaping
Better seating round field for watching sports/kids playing - Ballinger? S Heath?
Make sure we can still walk to Gt Miss on footpaths
Keeping the disruption to a minimum



Play areas. Communal shop/pub

Pavements

Solving the serious noise issues for residents; scrap the presently proposed absurd compensation scheme.

(a) Woodland adventure play trail using land behind garden centre

(b) Community cafe & park on Mushroom farm site

(c) Play area in S Heath (swings, slides, roundabout, climbing fram, disabled access)

Extend tunnel to Wendover and further.

Improved pavements

Re-planting of trees, green hedging for screening. Road maintenance.

We need to accept that that HS2 is going to happen, accept that it's part of the National greater good and to stop wasting time on trying to stop it. We need to mitigate the impact of the building process and ensure that we spend money on protecting the environment while ensuring the success is HS2.