

Herongate & Ingrave Village Appraisal



Your Village - Your View

Prizes

Boars Head Public House

Meal for two with a bottle of house wine
(not available over the August bank holiday)

Green Man Public House

Meal for two with a bottle of house wine
(Monday to Friday—not bank holidays)

Old Dog Public House

Meal for two with a bottle of house wine
(available Monday to Friday)

Ingrave's Orchid Hair and Beauty Salon

A Voucher for £25:00

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Why are we circulating this questionnaire?

This questionnaire is your opportunity to say what you feel about our villages. The information that we gather will be a vital part of a future Parish Plan.

We aim to discover what you value, find out what concerns you have and investigate how you would wish the community to develop.

Will everything that residents suggest for the Parish actually happen?

It will depend on what people want. Some things may be easy to achieve through the Parish Council. Other suggestions may need to be discussed with appropriate organisations. We aim to respect the diversity of your suggestions and encourage the information to be used democratically, fairly and wisely.

ALL answers and information collected will be treated in a confidential manner.

Why aren't some questions asked?

You may feel that we have overlooked an aspect of Village life. However, although we have sought to seriously consider every aspect of our community, some decisions are outside the scope of a Parish Council. If you feel that something valuable has been missed then please add your comments at the final page. This is *not* a 'government' led census.

Who is on the steering group?

The steering group is made up of nine residents of our villages including Parish Councillors Vic Davies and David Harman.

How do I return my questionnaire?

The volunteer who delivered your questionnaire will arrange a time when it is convenient to collect it from you. If you return your questionnaire to your collector you will be automatically entered into a prize draw.

The winners will be drawn at an open event later in the year and you will be notified if successful. Alternatively, you can return your questionnaire to the Herongate Village Stores.

INTRODUCTION

The Questionnaire is in TWO parts. First the **HOUSEHOLD** Section which should be filled in by an adult member of the household. The boxes in this Section are designed for just one person to answer. The **INDIVIDUAL** Section has space for up to six persons to reply.

The Questionnaire has been designed to be answered by persons over the age of ten. Information from the younger age group has already been collected from class workshops conducted at the Ingrave Johnstone school.

Please use a Black or Blue pen or biro to fill the form in. Put a cross or tick in the box that best answers the question. Write in additional information or comments in the white space if you wish.

THE HOUSEHOLD SECTION

To be answered by just one representative of the Household.

Question : 1

How many people including children are there in your household?

Enter number:

Question : 2

**Please enter the number of people in your household in each age group.
(M = Male and F = Female)**

Enter number:

	M	F
0-4	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5-10	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
11-15	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
16-17	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
18-24	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
25-44	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
45-59	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
60-64	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
65-74	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
75-84	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
85+	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Question : 3

**In which part of Herongate or Ingrave do you live?
(The Boxes correspond to the last two letters of your Post-Code)**

Tick one Box Only:

PU, SB, SD, SL, SE, SN, SG, PS -

PB, PG, PH, PL, LH, NY, PD,
PF, PN, PE, PA -

QH, RE, NU, QY, QZ, RD, NS,
NX, YD, NT, RR -

PP, PJ, PZ, QB, QA, PX, PR,
PT -

QL, QP, QX, QS, QN, QW, QU,
QJ, QT -

RF, RL, RN, RW, RP -

RG, RQ, RJ -

SA -

RA, RB, RS -

Question : 4

**How many private cars / vans are used by your household during the week for
journeys to work or education outside Herongate and Ingrave?**

Enter number:

Question : 5

If any of your children under 16 are unable to take part in after-school activities, please give the reasons why:

Tick more than one box if appropriate:

Lack of transport home	<input type="checkbox"/>
Distance between home / school	<input type="checkbox"/>
Expense	<input type="checkbox"/>
Special needs not catered for	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other Concerns?

Question : 6

Is your dwelling within a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme?

Tick one box:

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>
Don't know	<input type="checkbox"/>

Thank you. This completes the HOUSEHOLD Section. The next Section should be answered by each member of the family.

THE INDIVIDUAL'S SECTION

This Section is for all members of the household who are over the age of ten. Each member of the household should select a letter and use the same letter for all the questions to be answered.

Please use a Black or Blue pen or biro to fill the form in. Put a cross or tick in the box that best answers the question. Write in additional information or comments in the white space if you wish.

COMMUNITY:

Here we collect some basic information about the households that live within the Villages.

Question : 7

Your Gender:

PERSON

Male

Female

A	B	C	D	E	F

Question : 8

What age group do you belong to?

Tick one box only:

PERSON

11-15

16-17

18-24

25-44

45-59

60-64

65-74

75-84

85+

A	B	C	D	E	F

Question : 9

How long have you lived in your current home?

Tick one box only:

PERSON

Less than a year

1-5 years

6-15 years

16-25 years

26-50 years

51 + years

A	B	C	D	E	F

Question : 10

Do you feel that your elected representatives in local government are sufficiently aware of local concerns and feelings?

They are:

1 for fully aware 3 for not aware
2 for quite aware 4 for unconcerned for local issues and feelings

Enter your selection in the Box for:

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Our Parish Council						
Brentwood Borough Council						
Essex County Council						

Question : 11

Have you ever attended a meeting of the Herongate and Ingrave Parish Council?

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Yes						
No						

Question : 12

The Parish Council is empowered to raise money through the council tax. Are you satisfied with the way this money is spent?

Tick one box only:

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Very satisfied						
Quite satisfied						
Quite dissatisfied						
Very dissatisfied						
Don't know how it is spent						

Question : 13

How well does the Parish Council publicise its decisions and activities?

Tick one box only:

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Very well						
Reasonably well						
Badly						

Question : 14

Would you like more information on the activities of the Herongate and Ingrave Parish Council?

Yes
No

A	B	C	D	E	F

Question : 15

Where do you usually get information about events taking place in Herongate and Ingrave?

Tick more than one box if appropriate:

The Herongate Village Shop
Parish Council Notice Boards
Parish Council Website
Church Notice Boards
School Notice Board

A	B	C	D	E	F

Ingrave Playgroup Notice Board
Brentwood Gazette
Parish Council Newsletter
Church Newsletter
The "Local Link"

Question : 16

How often do you use the following shops and services?

Enter:

1 for daily
2 for weekly
3 for monthly
4 for less frequently
5 for never

A Local shop
Post Office (Village Stores)
Mobile Library

A	B	C	D	E	F

Question : 17

Do you think that the response to medical emergencies in our villages would be improved through the provision of First Aid courses and a "Fast Response" team?

“Community First Responders” are groups of volunteers who live or work in the local community and who are available on a rota to go out to patients in difficulty with breathing, chest pain, heart attack, choking and collapse. They are trained and activated by the Essex Ambulance Service to attend particular emergency calls where time is critical. The responder provides care until the Ambulance arrives.

Answer Yes or No:

Yes
No

A	B	C	D	E	F

Question : 20

How important to you are the wild plants, birds and animals in the countryside around Herongate and Ingrave?

Enter:

- 1 for very important
- 2 for important
- 3 for not very important

Wild flowers
Birds
Wild Animals

A	B	C	D	E	F

Question : 21

If you experienced difficulties when using local footpaths and bridleways which, if any, of the following difficulties did you find?

Tick more than one box if appropriate:

Farm animals
High stiles
Locked gates
Barbed wire
Mud / Water

A	B	C	D	E	F

Crops across path
Other users
Bushes / Nettles
No signposts
No difficulty experienced

Something else?

Question : 22

Do you experience difficulty with fouled footpaths or litter?

Please tell us where:

Question : 23

Is the number and location of litter bins and “dog” bins in Herongate and Ingrave:

Good
Reasonable
Poor

A	B	C	D	E	F

Where could it be improved?

PLANNING:

Conservation is concerned with preserving the local Heritage against the pressures of development from both local and wider interests that may be more concerned with commercial gain than with the quality of the environment.

Question : 24

Do you think Herongate and Ingrave can accommodate more new housing developments?

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Question : 25

Do you think sufficient publicity is given to planning applications which affect Herongate and Ingrave?

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Question : 26

The Herongate Village Hall (which is sited in front of the Green Man public house) is in a poor state and it is uneconomic to make repairs. It could be replaced by a community centre for the villages assuming that adequate funding could be found and a suitable site agreed. It could also house the Village Museum, which is in need of re-location.

Tick each box that applies:

A	B	C	D	E	F
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When the village hall becomes unusable, demolish and return site to common land.

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Replace existing hall with a similar sized hall on the same site.

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Replace the hall with a multi function community centre on a new site.

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Another alternative?

Question : 27

Are the pavements in Herongate and Ingrave adequate for users of wheelchairs or pushchairs and for people with disabilities?

Tick one box only:

Good
Reasonable
Poor

A	B	C	D	E	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Question : 28

Is there a need for any of the following in Herongate and Ingrave?

Tick more than one box if appropriate:

Nursing home
Sheltered housing for the elderly
Residential provision for people
with disabilities
Baby Clinic
Visiting Community Clinic

A	B	C	D	E	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Something else?

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT:

There have been many changes to the public transport services provided for Villagers over the years; and the main Brentwood and Billericay roads have become increasingly busy.

Question : 29

How often do you use the following services?

Enter:

- 1 for daily
- 2 for weekly
- 3 for monthly
- 4 for never

Bus (Public Transport)
 Train - Fenchurch Street line
 Train - Brentwood Station
 Train - Shenfield Station
 Community Bus
 School Bus Service

A	B	C	D	E	F

If the school bus is available to you why don't you use it ?

Question : 30

If you use the bus (public transport), what do you use it for and how often?

Enter:

- 1 for often
- 2 for occasionally
- 3 for never

Work
 Shopping
 Medical Visits
 Social or Leisure
 Education

A	B	C	D	E	F

Question : 31

Have you an opinion concerning the 565 bus service?

The 565 Bus Service runs hourly between the Green Man public house and Brentwood Station. The service is extended to Bulphen via West Horndon and to the Sawyers Hall Lane Schools at particular times of the day.

Enter: 1 for good 3 for poor
 2 for reasonable 4 for do not use

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Route						
Timetable						
Cost						
Reliability						
Access for those with disabilities						

Question : 32

Would you like to see any improvements in the bus service with regard to?

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Routes						
Timetable						
Cost						
Reliability						
Bus Stop location						
Access for those with disabilities						
No experience						

Question : 33

Would you use a bus service to the following locations?

Indicate all services that you would use if they were available.

Tick more than one box if appropriate:

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Lakeside						
Bluewater						
Billericay						
Basildon						
West Horndon Station						
Shenfield Station						
Festival Leisure Park (Evening service)						
Hospitals (Evening services)						
Tesco Laindon						
Herongate Tye (School Bus Service)						

Question : 37

A Social Car Scheme is available to any resident within the district of Brentwood who has difficulty accessing or using public transport. This usually applies to the elderly or to people who have disabilities. Volunteers drive individuals who are members of the scheme to their destination and a charge for petrol is made. All journeys must be booked three days in advance.

Would you use this car service as a passenger?

Tick one box only:

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Weekly						
Monthly						
Occasionally						
Never						

Question : 38

Essex County Council organise a car share scheme where car drivers are matched with potential passengers who could share the same journey, thus reducing congestion and travel costs (www.essexcarshare.com).

Would you be prepared to take part in a scheme to share private vehicles for?

Enter:

1 for often
2 for occasionally

3 for unable to assist

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Shopping						
School						
Social or leisure						
Work						

Question : 42

If you answered "yes" to Question 41 please describe the location of the "danger-spot" that concerns you.

Person A _____

Person B _____

Person C _____

Person D _____

Person E _____

Person F _____

LAW AND ORDER:

We all like to feel secure in our own homes and with our possessions. Law and order is high on the National Agenda.

Question : 43

Which, if any, of the following crimes and anti-social behaviour concern you in Herongate and Ingrave?

Tick more than one box if appropriate:

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Theft						
Mugging						
Vandalism						
Drunkenness						
Crime not a concern						

Is there anything else?

Question : 44

If there are areas in Herongate and Ingrave in which you feel unsafe, where are they and at what particular times are you caused most concern?

Person A _____

Person B _____

Person C _____

Person D _____

Person E _____

Person F _____

Question : 45

Do you regard the police coverage of Herongate and Ingrave to be?

Tick one box only:

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Good						
Reasonable						
Poor						

Question : 46

What are your views on the standard of the following services in Herongate and Ingrave?

Enter:

- 1 for good
- 2 for reasonable
- 3 for poor
- 4 for no opinion
- 5 for have not used them

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Fire						
Police						
Ambulance (Emergency)						
Hospital (Transport)						
Police (Emergency)						
Police (Bobby)						

Question : 47

Is the service provided by your community officer?

Tick one box only:

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Good						
Reasonable						
Poor						

Comment ?

Question : 48

Would you be prepared to help with a 'Neighbourhood Watch Scheme' in Herongate and Ingrave ?

Tick one box only:

- Once a week
- Once a month
- Occasionally
- Unable to Assist

A	B	C	D	E	F

Question : 54

If you run a business, into which category does it fall?

Tick one box only:

	A	B	C	D	E	F
Agriculture / Horticulture / Gardening						
Food Processing						
Retail						
Construction / Building / Electrician / Plumber						
Finance / Professional Services						
Manufacturing						
Transport						
Leisure						
Tourism e.g. hotels / catering / B & B						
Other Service e.g. hairdressing / personal						

Question : 55

If you run a business, is it located?

	A	B	C	D	E	F
In Herongate and Ingrave						
Outside Herongate and Ingrave						

LEISURE:

This is the last Section in our Appraisal questionnaire. Leisure opportunities are an integral part of Village life. Appropriate leisure activities for our younger people may be a concern.

Question : 56

What are your views on local social facilities for?

Enter:

- 1 for good
- 2 for reasonable
- 3 for poor
- 4 for no opinion

Children up to 16
Young people 17-25
People 26-60
People over 60

A	B	C	D	E	F

Question : 57

Which new sports clubs / activities would you attend in Herongate and Ingrave if they were provided?

Tick more than one box if appropriate:

Youth football
Badminton
Martial Arts
Keep Fit
Tennis
Yoga
Cycling Club
Table Tennis

A	B	C	D	E	F

Some Suggestions?

Question : 58

What are your opinions of local sports facilities for people with disabilities?

Tick one box only:

- Good
- Reasonable
- Poor
- No Opinion
- No experience

A	B	C	D	E	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Some suggestions?

Question : 59

Would you wish to see the play area of the Ingrave Johnstone School playing field improved?

Tick one box only:

- Yes
- No
- Not Concerned

A	B	C	D	E	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Question : 60

Would you support the provision of cycle paths into and in Thorndon Park from either Thorndon Gate or Park Lane?

- Yes
- No

A	B	C	D	E	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Question : 61

Should there be more designated cycle paths within the Parish?

Please Answer Yes or No:

- Yes
- No

A	B	C	D	E	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Some suggestions for locations?

Question : 62

How should the results of this survey be made known?

Tick more than one box if appropriate:

- By a website
- By a public report
- By a public meeting
- By an information sheet through every door

A	B	C	D	E	F
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Thank you for completing this Questionnaire

Other Comments or Notes

What Happens Now!

A summary document will be reported in the Parish Newsletter and in the "Local Link"; the monthly free village newsletter. A full report will also be available on the Parish Council website:

<http://www.herongateandgravepc.org.uk>

An open event will be held where we will present and discuss the findings in detail with you.

Further Information

In January 2005 there was a meeting in the Village, open to all residents, which was hosted by Herongate and Ingrave Parish council. This was led by Michelle Gardiner of The Rural Community Council of Essex. This is an independent charity helping people and communities throughout rural Essex to build a sustainable future.

At this meeting residents gave their views of the project and volunteers for the steering committee and questionnaire distribution were identified. A committee was formed and this group has been working for some twelve months under the guidance of the RCCE.

There have been consultations with four classes at the Ingrave Johnstone School and there will be meetings with our young residents who are pupils at St. Martins School.

We gained very useful feedback from an open day that was held in September 2005 to discuss early ideas for the questionnaire. The information gathered from these meetings has been collated and this has enabled us to construct this questionnaire, which we hope will reflect the views expressed.

Who is paying for this Appraisal?

The Appraisal is grant funded.

What about my confidentiality and data protection

This research is being conducted in accordance with the 1998 Data Protection Act. Your responses will be analysed on an anonymous basis and no one answer will be identifiable unless you choose to identify yourself. Individual information will NOT be passed on to a mailing list or to any other party.

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Our sincere thanks to the Village residents who assisted us with the development of this questionnaire, especially those who attended our meetings to comment and discuss progress with us. We would like to thank the volunteers who have given their time to deliver this questionnaire. We are also grateful to Ingrave Johnstone School who welcomed us in to work with their students and to the children at the school who enthusiastically contributed to the appraisal. In particular we are grateful to Michelle Gardiner for her valuable advice and guidance during this time. We are also very grateful to our Village businesses of the Boars Head; the Green Man; the Old Dog; and the Orchid Hair and Beauty Salon for their generous donation of the Prizes.

