

## Scoring

The score is a number between **+1100** (emphatic yes) and **-1100** (emphatic no)

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### **B - HOUSING GENERAL**

8. New properties should provide at least two spaces for off-street parking.	890
4. Mobile phone masts must be kept away from the school and residential areas.	854
9. Private exterior lighting should not be intrusive, distracting for drivers or cause light pollution	819
5. Wiring to houses should be installed underground, because overhead wiring is unsightly and unreliable.	728
6. The size of a property should be proportional to the size of the plot and in keeping with adjacent properties	620
11. Provision of facilities for producing renewable energy (e.g. solar panels) should be encouraged	596
10. Where a house or out-building is painted, subdued colours must be used	454
13. The style of properties in an area should be varied rather than uniform	271
7. The colours and materials of roofs in an area should be harmonized rather than being varied	222
14. Ribbon development is preferable to clustering into estates	175
12. Any further development should not be restricted to housing for first time buyers.	114

All power and telephone lines should be routed underground to improve appearance and reliability.

### **C The character of housing developments**

Housing developments should be open in character with shrubs or perhaps hedge borders. If walls border properties, they should be small. High walls at the fronts of properties are a no-no.

### **D Ribbon Development Frontages**

East Hanningfield Road, Woodhill Road, Mayes Lane, Butts Green Road and Southend Road. Properties should have a border and it should be hedges and trees. Railings, fences and walls should not be used.

For other roads, properties must have a border of hedges and trees.

### **E Conservation area**

27A. Enough is done to conserve the character and appearance of Sandon village	344
28. The character of the Sandon village green area should be respected	931
29. The pond area at the Gablefields should be improved and made a feature	635

### **F Industrial/Commercial Areas**

A village shop would be welcome.

Craft workshops could be acceptable and perhaps a café or restaurant. Other commercial ventures, such as offices, hotels and other industry would not be welcome, except that the use of redundant farm buildings for light commercial uses might be acceptable.

Farm buildings and equipment sites must be kept tidy.

The Mayes Lane site is a mess and causes many complaints. It is noisy and results in heavy lorries using the very narrow Mayes Lane. At the very least access should be restored via the quarry site to the A1114 to take the traffic off Mayes Lane.

## ***G..Recreation Areas***

Tennis courts and perhaps a putting green would be welcome.

More play areas for children are required but not a teenage shelter. The Lintons is the favoured location for age groups up to 11 years.

The village hall is an important factor in village life.

## ***H Sandon Quarry***

The quarry area should be used for leisure activities- Lakes for fishing and rowing boats with nature trails and wildlife area. Failing that it should revert to farmland.

## ***I Roads, Street Furniture and Village Entrances***

**Footpath in East Hanningfield Road.** If a footpath is provided, it should go all the way to the nursing home. There are conflicting views about putting a footpath on a country road. Perhaps a footpath with no kerbstone but a grass border between path and road would provide the facility without too much appearance of urbanisation.

**Other paths.** Brickkiln Road and perhaps Molrams Lane might benefit from a footpath. Perhaps also parts of Woodhill Road. There should be more cycle paths away from roads – perhaps a path between Howe Green and Sandon Village (65)

It is important that public footpaths in the countryside be properly maintained. (836)

Where possible, buildings should be set back from the road. (775)

The fence bordering the main road in Howe Green should be removed as it is unsightly and dangerous. It could be replaced by a smaller fence, hedge or grass verge between the path and the road. Retain the kerb. (185)

Facilities such as electricity sub-stations should be concealed. (769)

The appearance of village entrances is important. (805)

The white entrance 'gates' to Howe Green are a welcome feature. (534)

Sandon village should have purpose-designed entrances. (286)

There is a feeling that the lighting at the Park and Ride should be more subdued. (183)

Bus shelters should be in keeping with the surroundings (696) and include a space to stand, off the road. (768)

Street lighting should be provided between Molrams Lane and Sandon Village green and at Sandon Brook Manor.

In general there is sufficient public parking in the parish (59) but parking around Hall Lane and Sandon School should be improved.

Steps should be taken to reduce traffic speed through the villages (632). Flashing speed signs are the most popular followed by speed cameras, reduced speed limits and speed bumps.

63. Preserve hedgerows and coppices for the benefit of wildlife. (836).

64. Residents are very keen to preserve the rural character of the parish. Green fields around the villages and the footpaths and bridleways are an important characteristic of the parish and should be preserved. The identity of Sandon village should be preserved by keeping the green fields between Sandon and Great Baddow. It is also important to preserve the conservation area around the centre of Sandon village.

65 Communities in the parish are plagued by road noise from the A130 and A12. Embankments would solve the problem.

Measures should be taken to reduce through traffic using country lanes in the parish – from South Woodham Ferrers through Howe Green (East Hanningfield Road) and heavy goods traffic from Danbury/Bicknacre along Woodhill Road.

Measures should be taken to reduce traffic hazards at:

- Junction of Mayes Lane and Woodhill Road (mini-roundabout)
- Access onto A414 from Sandon Brook Manor estate.