

Faringdon Neighbourhood Plan

Evidence Base Review - Consultation Summary

Appendix Bb: Market stall comments - Worst things about Faringdon, 10 July 2012

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The worst thing about Faringdon is.....

1. Town centre is geographically not the centre
2. We are removing the ability for kids to integrate
3. Free parking
4. Stop having expensive 'consultations' when whoever makes the decision never listens
5. Get nil of the forest of .. pool
6. Do not let Tesco's in so that they rip what's left of the heart of our town. Encourage Waitrose who give back to the community and employ local people – unlike Tesco s and have better produce
7. Get rid of existing town council and elect people who actually care about Faringdon
8. Do something for our teenagers and young adults so that they want to stay here
9. Pushing the leids out e.g. skate park outskirts
10. Block homes development – houses too close and can see into others bedrooms
11. Difficult to travel by train – trying to et Lock Station re-opened
12. Not sufficient facilities/entertainment for a growing town
13. Density of new housing. Incomers feel no connection to the town
14. Paving at the back of the workers building is too deep/large
15. Not taken seriously enough by VWDC or OCC
16. All the best things have gone, becoming a ghost town
17. Faringdon festival was a fiasco
18. Parking around the infant school is really a problem
19. The 'new' market place
20. Poor time for market traders Faringdon is no exception
21. Not enough accommodation for wedding guests
22. NO commercial heart to the town – good shops/pubs struggle
23. Relocation of problem families to Faringdon from Oxford
24. Not enough easy parking
25. Careless parking, litter and dog mess
26. Lack of parking
27. Town planning MUST be transparent at present plans are passed without prior consultation with neighbourhood GO TAKE A LOOK AT OLD CRICKET FIELD
28. Loss of the community centre not much for older folk
29. Not a big enough town to attract more shops
30. Faringdon.org is a problem sets a bad negative tone
31. People moving out of council houses in Oxford
32. Tesco development will be too far out of town
33. For a view of the future of Faringdon see the decimation of the Old Cricket Field. Yet another hard slum development
34. County council considers Faringdon a 'cowboy town' and we always seem to be bottom of the list
35. The Lee's – it's an eyesore bit also very central, a great opportunity
36. Services not keeping up with housing growth, can't get an NHS dentist or see doctor easily
37. Parking fundamental problem in local street
38. Parking – Church Street and London Street
39. Concerns about the identity of the town disappearing
40. Nowhere for the kids to go
41. The Town Council and the Vale
42. Very indifferent welcome to strangers
43. On the edge of the Cotswolds, Oxfordshire, Vale and forgotten about

44. Traffic in the Town Centre too fast
45. Rougher elements coming into new housing network
46. Nothing here – want more shops and another supermarket
47. Difficult to get a doctors appointment
48. Not got half the shops we used to
49. Lack on interconnection between estates and to Town Centre