

**Public Consultation at ‘I Love My Village Event’ held at
Manor Farm, Eastergate on 15th June 2013**

The Environment & Heritage Group attended this event with a display stand of historical buildings and curiosities from the two parishes, some listed, some not, pictures of wildlife that have been sighted in the area, and other notable features like the old canal. Some work on listed buildings and playground facilities done by Children of Eastergate Parish School was also displayed.

The stand was staffed by volunteers and Parish Councillors all involved in the development of the Neighbourhood Plan. Volunteers chatted with the public explaining the Neighbourhood Plan, and encouraging attendees to answer the questions raised below. The stand was staffed from 2pm to 6pm.

The following are written responses to key questions:

1. What do I really love about my village...

- Being a village please leave it that way, we have been here for 50 years.
- It's individuality. We are a small village where everyone talks to each other. Too many buildings would make it impersonal and we would lose the atmosphere.
- I can walk out to the countryside within two minutes, the train station, and local facilities.

2. Something I would like to see changed in our village is...

- Please keep the identity of our villages and not make them into towns.
- The station hotel sorted out.
- Congestion around Elm Tree Stores
- Level Crossing Altered (ie: Bridge over railway)

3. What do you think of Barnham's village centre?

- A bit tatty but lots going on.
- Messy, shabby not enough parking, parking should be free.

4. Are there any buildings or structures that you would like to see preserved for the future?

- Tythe Barn, Church Farm, Eastergate Church.
- Barnham Windmill

5. Do you know any areas in our Parishes that could become woodland?

- Angels Nursery