




Rushden Day Time – Traffic Light Evaluation

A traffic light system was used to allow the group to give initial feedback on whether or not the approach proposed in the Preferred Options document is heading in the right direction.

 Green indicated that the approach proposed in the Preferred Options document is heading in the right direction

 Amber indicated that the approach is broadly right but there are additional considerations

 Red indicated that the approach adopted is heading in the wrong direction.

The details below indicate which groups voted for each colour of the traffic light system. Not all groups responded and some groups gave more than one response indicating a difference in thinking within the group.

Some groups wrote additional comments on their post-it stickers in order to emphasise their thinking. These additional comments are recorded below.

Housing Development in Rushden

Red – Group 2, 3 and 5

Yellow – Group 1, 2, 3 and 4

Green – Group 1 and 5

Additional Comments

- Group 1 – yellow, St Mary's Avenue, concern about access and increase in transport. green, Shirley Road access issues, Newton Road and Goulsbra Road
- Group 2 – red sites 1 and 2 and green for sites 3 and 4
- Group 3 – red, not St Mary's yellow, must develop brownfield and derelict land first
- Group 5 – red, St Mary's Avenue too many houses, overall rest of sites ok but access, density and style are important

Area of Character and Density

Yellow - Groups 3 and 4

Green - Group 1, 2 and 5

Additional comments

- Group 3 – yellow, employment space safeguarded only where there's a viable modern use
- Group 3 – green, character respected

Employment Areas and Office Development in the Town Centre

Yellow – Groups 2 and 3

Green – Groups 1, 3, 4 and 5

Additional Comments

- Group 2 – regenerate old buildings do not build new
- Some employment on town edge to
- Group 3 – yellow, locate new office development on the edge of the town centre
- Group 3 – green, use existing employment land first
- Group 5 – balance to be kept between character and places of work

Town Centre Boundary

Red – Groups 2, 3 and 4

Green – Groups 1 and 5

Additional Comments

- Group 2 – needs to be extended

Regeneration

Red – Group 5

Yellow – Groups 1, 3 and 4

Green – Groups 1, 2 and 5

Additional Comments

- Group 5 red – splash pool relocation
- Group 5 green – young people as part of the vision
- Group 1 orange – Newton Road need to consider an alternative site
- Group 1 green – Alfred Street splash pool
- Group 3 broad brush on vision
- Group 2 but car parking

Schools

Red – Group 3

Yellow – Groups 4 and 5

Green – Groups 1, 2 and 3

Additional Comments

- Group 3 red – not combine Alfred Street school, lack of space, Pemberton School
- Group 3 green – new school
- Group 2 – assuming projected figures are correct, cross county border issues

Bus Station

Red – Group 4 and 5

Yellow – Groups 1 and 3

Additional Comments

- Group 3 – depends on town centre definition, drop off points and issues over vandalism

Greenway and Green Wedge

Yellow – Groups 1

Green – Groups 3, 4 and 5

Additional Comments

- Group 1 – needs to be managed and upgraded and policed to decrease anti social behaviour
- Group 5 – a strong yes
- Group 3 – yes to green wedge but what is 'adverse development'

Vision and Objectives

Yellow – Groups 4

Green – Group 5

Town and Village Boundaries

Green – Group 4 and 5

Employment

Green – Group 4

Affordable Housing

Red – Group 2

Green – Groups 4

Additional Comments

- Group 2 – need more particularly shared housing