

WHAT ABOUT LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE?

A key message from the community so far is that we shouldn't just be looking at providing new homes and jobs but planning infrastructure improvements at the same time.

To make sure this happens we are talking to local service and infrastructure providers including those responsible for GP provision, new schools and transport. We would like your views on anything specific that you feel should be provided on the sites that have been put forward for consideration.

Infrastructure overview - Shenley	
Population	4,000
Increase since 2011	+200
Number of households	2,150
Number of Businesses Units (offices, workshops, manufacturing and warehouses only)	20
Number of community services	
Primary Schools	2
Secondary Schools/Colleges	0
GP Practices	1
Dental Surgeries	1
Post Offices	1
Pharmacies	1

Key infrastructure needs



Education

There are two schools in the Shenley planning area, one of which is a Jewish faith school. Hertfordshire County Council has advised there is no expansion capacity within the village and a new school site would be needed to meet education need arising from any future housing proposals.



Health

Herts Valleys Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is the NHS organisation responsible for commissioning (planning, designing and buying) health services on behalf of people who live across south west Hertfordshire. Shenley is served by the Red House practice's branch Gateways Surgery, which is constrained and the CCG has advised the site is unable to absorb any growth.



Transport

Traffic modelling was undertaken to forecast changes in journey times across the road network. Depending on where development takes place and without public transport improvements, road journey times to Watford, St Albans and Barnet could increase by up to 9 minutes at peak times and up to 6 minutes at other times. This means any growth will need to be accompanied by significant investment in public transport and other initiatives such as car clubs.

