

## Links to community groups

The Community Garden Group already has links to Headway (a charity for people with acquired brain injury), our nearest school, Trumpington Park Primary, and Trumpington Allotment Society (which manages Foster Road allotments). We would like to expand links and partnerships with other local community groups, including our immediate neighbours on Clay Farm allotments.

- How do you think the garden could be used for community groups?
- Do you know of groups who might like to be involved with us?
- How do you think the community building could support the allotment holders in particular and other groups in the neighbourhood?
- How could the garden support our community in other ways?

*Please comment below*

## How you can talk to us

Complete this form and return it to Carol Holloway, 8 Sefton Close CB2 9HY.  
Or visit <https://clayfarmgarden.org> or email [consultation@clayfarmgarden.org](mailto:consultation@clayfarmgarden.org).

We are equally happy to hear your ideas in person, for example at the Saturday morning drop-in gardening sessions from 10-12 throughout November or at our pre-Christmas party 4.30-7.30 on Tues 11 December.



## Consultation Autumn 2018

This questionnaire forms part of the public consultation which runs **until 14 December** this year. We want your ideas so that we can together create a wonderful garden for the Clay Farm community.

### Some background

Currently (October 2018) the garden is mostly a 'blank canvas'. Its area is outlined in red below. The garden is split by Hobson Avenue running north-south. It will also be split by a cycleway (to be constructed) running east-west following the line of the gas main (solid purple).

In the area between the dashed purple lines ('the easement') planting is limited according to the 2010 planning guidance document (see our website). As you will see from this document, the planning consent is quite vague in some respects. This is because it expects that the garden will be developed by the community.



We already have some specific questions on these pages, but we also need your questions and answers which we haven't already thought of. We look forward to hearing from you.

## Uses of the garden

How would you use the garden? Tell us which of these you would get involved in and/or tell us something else:

- gardening – formal and informal – ornamental, crop, habitat and fodder plants
- socialising – eating together
- education – gardening, healthy eating and processing produce
- relaxation – quiet secluded areas
- modelling design and function of outdoor spaces
- venue for food-related and gardening activities – meetings, clubs and events
- venue for Horticultural Therapy
- enhance the biodiversity of Clay Farm

*Please comment below*

## The building

There is planning permission for a building on the garden with storage area, office, meeting room, toilet, mains water, power and four parking spaces, details to be determined. One restriction is that cooking facilities will not be included although there can be a tea point. Here are some questions about the building:

- What functions should it support?
- How would you like to use the building? For example: social events, classes/workshops, selling local produce, seed/plant swaps...what else?
- Where should it be sited?
- What size should it be?
- What finishes should the building have? For example, rustic, or like a shed...

What other questions occur to you, and what answers can you offer?

*Please comment below*

## Garden features

Of the ideas below, which would be your favourites? What would you add? Where would you put them?

- trees, fruit, vegetables, herbs, flowers, flowering shrubs & climbers – ideally using native plants and providing specific fodder species
- variety of growing spaces – raised beds, borders, under glass, tubs/pots, espaliers/fans, hedgerow
- habitats for wildlife – plants, trees, hedges, bird, bat, bug and hedgehog boxes, hibernaculars, bee hives
- pond – safe – pond dipping and wildlife habitat
- boundaries – walls for espalier/fan trained fruits – hedges (can be laid)
- polytunnel/ indoor growing space
- seating areas – sun and shade – turf “benches”
- compost areas – for recycling garden waste on-site
- bays for leaves/woodchip/soil conditioner – for receiving deliveries of useful (and often free) biomass

*Please comment below*

## The cycle path

Here are some questions about the cycleway:

- How can the design ensure safety at the Hobson Road crossing?
- What should the four entrances/exits be like?
- Should the route be straight or gently winding?
- What garden features should there be along the cycleway's route?
- What should the surface material be?
- Should there be lighting?

What other questions occur to you, and what answers can you offer?

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