

4.8 HEXTABLE

Plans for Hextable are described in the consultation as:

The Master Vision identifies Swanley and Hextable as two places with their own communities and social networks. Green spaces and Swanley Park act as a green corridor between Swanley and Hextable, which should be retained, with access across Swanley and Hextable improved for all.

The current Local Plan already recognises the need to improve infrastructure in Hextable. This includes the provision of Primary School places and a single healthcare facility which is needed to provide capacity for the existing population. There is an opportunity for the redevelopment of the current Parish Council Complex with a new Hextable Parish hub and Hextable Park.

The Master Vision identifies Hextable village green as an attractive space affected by traffic in the Dartford Road with some areas that are fenced off, overgrown and unusable. To the west of the village Hextable Gardens provides an attractive open space linked to the parish office, former Horticulture College and village hall. This forms part of the wider area of green space between Swanley and Hextable (including Swanley Park).

The proposals are:

Q8a - Opportunity to improve the Oasis Academy site to create new mixed use development, including housing

Q8b - A new Hextable Parish Hub potentially at Hextable Park and redevelopment of the current Parish Council complex

Q8c - Landscape improvements to Hextable village green

Q8d - New development being limited to smaller scale growth on sites that don't join Hextable and Swanley Village to Swanley and with supporting infrastructure

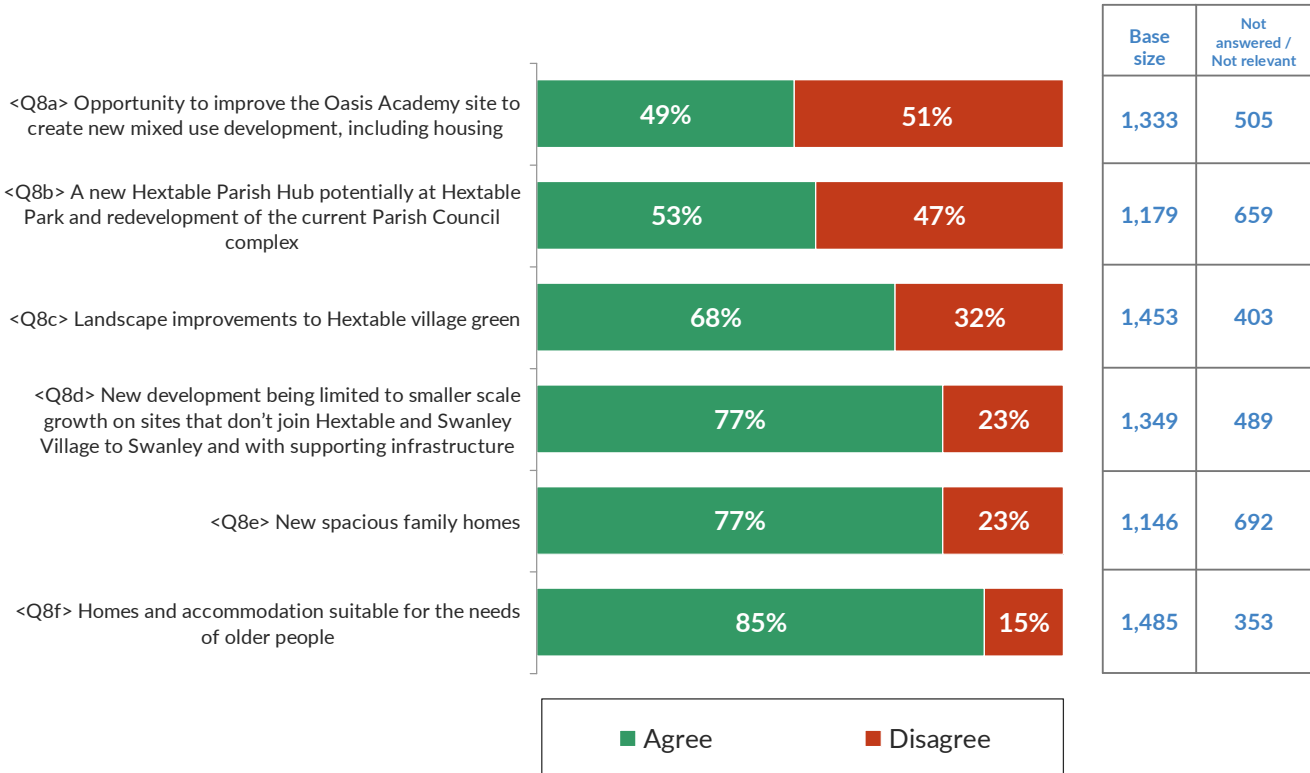
Q8e - New spacious family homes

Q8f - Homes and accommodation suitable for the needs of older people

Respondents were asked to indicate their level of agreement with the above proposals:

Q8 – Hextable

How much do you agree that the Master Vision should include the following?



Base: Various for each question (Not relevant & not answered excluded – original base size 1,838)

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There are notably lower base sizes for the questions in this section of the consultation concerning Hextable due to a larger proportion of respondents not choosing to answer or stating that these proposals do not affect them.

In relation to improving the Oasis Academy site to create mixed use development including housing, 49% agreed with this and 51% disagreed.

Over half (53%) of respondents supported the development of a new Hextable Parish Hub at Hextable Park and the redevelopment of the current Parish Council complex.

Over two-thirds (68%) were in agreement with making landscape improvements to the village green in Hextable.

Over three-quarters (77%) of respondents were in agreement with two proposals, namely new development being limited to smaller scale growth on sites that don't join Swanley and Hextable and the development of new spacious family homes.

The most supported proposal in this section of the consultation and the proposal achieving the third highest level of agreement with 85% was providing homes and accommodation suitable for the needs of older people.

The following chart quantifies the free text comments made relating to the proposals for Hextable:

