

Comments from both consultations

| Funtley Governance Review 1 st phase consultation. Comments in favour of a parish. |
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| Planning |
| Input on planning (local neighbourhood plan for funtley) |
| A voice to protect the village from the impact of the Welborne development. |
| Having more control over building etc |
| To provide a voice for Funtley in trying to protect our interests against the new development |
| Help to keep Funtley's character in the light of the Welborne development. |
| I hope that a Parish Council would have better control over the unsustainable development proposals in the Borough, and also be able to better protect the biodiversity of the area, something that appears to be of little interest to the borough council |
| Better control on local planning |
| Being able to comment on planning applications. |
| TO BE ABLE TO COMMENT ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS |
| I believe we were not listened to when previous planning applications were discussed and made. With our own parish council I believe we will be more empowered and hopefully listened to. |
| To have a voice in future planning applications which would affect Funtley. |
| Have more say |
| A Parish Council will be able to voice any community concerns or proposals to Fareham Borough Council on behalf of the people living in Funtley. I think direct contact with FBC will have the ability to hasten any issues or concerns raised. |
| To speak on behalf of the residents regarding the council |
| A parish council would be able to promote local residents views |
| Hopefully more consideration will be given to local issues |
| More say in what happens in our village |

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| Have more rights and say about what happens in Funtley |
| 1.) A greater voice from local residents on local issues so that Fareham Borough Council & Hants C.C. must listen to. 2.) Be able to lobby and comment on local Funtley matters. 3.) Represent the local community, provide services to meet local needs and improve quality of life & community wellbeing. |
| The village having a voice to FBC in issues affecting our area. Sense of community. |
| Being able to have our say in our villages future |
| Funtley residents have more decision making powers over issues that are important to them from a local plan, footpaths, local events, etc. Local people will be dealing with local matters and therefore not lumped together with Fareham as a whole and then perhaps we can be consulted efficiently in future no have matter foisted on us by people who live outside the village and who are no particularly interested in our views. |
| A certain amount of self-determination to stop rail-roading by the council "Autonomy" |
| So that we could have more say in what happens to the village and surrounding areas then we might not have Welborne being built |
| I feel that it would give the local community more say in key issues and the area we live in. |
| Funtley will have more say about the key issues that affect our local community. |
| To protect to the rights of funtley residents and not be walked over by the high and might Fareham Borough Council. |
| Greater say in local issues. |
| Would improve the ability of local people to enhance decision which affect local issues. |
| To have more influence and input in to what is happening in the village. |
| Decisions would be made in Funtley's interest rather than by leader of Council who looks after western wards interests. Would take decisions away from Fareham Borough Council which is dominated by Leader of Council |
| It will allow this small community to have some actual voice in its affairs which the current increasingly remote and autocratic, district council does not allow. |
| More say in local matters, improving life in the village. |
| I hope it would give a voice to our community that will be heard by the council; when we have concerns or requests on improving our area. |
| With local people providing more input, the result will hopefully be a community that is served according to local needs, rather than the needs of the larger borough (Fareham as a whole). |
| Decisions would be made on behalf of the village residents and would make positive and well needed improvements throughout. Well needed Parish Council. |
| Making our own decisions and having a say on what is needed within our village. |

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| Setting up a new parish council in Funtley would give the residents more say in village matters at present we are just part of a much larger ward of North Fareham which is only represented by 2 councillors. Since we are going to be sandwiched between the huge development of Welbourne and Fareham we need to keep our village identity and by forming a parish we have a mechanism in place to represent the village. I fully support this. |
| More community involvement in local decisions for our village. |
| Would give the local community more input to choices which affect their surroundings. |
| 1. Create a forum to oversee/manage community development in Funtley 2. Create a group that has in house incentives to provide the local area, for the residents benefit |
| Local people representing the interests of people living Funtley Reduce reliance on Fareham Borough Council |
| A parish council would offer a focused interest in the village for the benefit and interest of the residents |
| To allow the residents of Funtley to decide upon initiate and execute any activities or projects of a local nature. I also feel that to bring democracy down to this very local level can only be a good thing. |
| More control over the area. Opportunity to create a better Funtley. |
| This will give us a much greater say in how Funtley is run at FBC meetings and hopefully curtail some of their more ridiculous ideas |
| A community joining together and the ability to have a better say in future plans for Funtley and the surrounding area. The ability to enhance the area by requesting 'wishes' to the Parish Council for consideration. |
| more localized representation on issues which affect funtley community |
| This would give villagers a greater say in what actions/facilities the Borough provides for the village like traffic calming, planning etc instead of being ignored and rail roaded by Councilors that know little or nothing about the village or what is needed. |
| To enable any local affairs to be judged and discussed by local residents. |
| To be better informed and have more power/say in local affair. |
| To have a say and make a difference to where we live. |
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| It would help the residents of Funtley to voice their views and look after the people and local facilities and services. |
| MORE POWER WITH LOCAL DECISIONS |
| More say within our Community |
| To have more say in Funtley |
| To be able to have more say in our community |
| More say in our community. |
| More say in our community. |

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| To allow true locals to look after the area they cherish |
| Letting people have a say in the future of Funtley |
| The residence will be able to have a larger input to what happens in the village without having to go up against Fareham council for them to compete against other projects. |
| Would highlight the needs of Funtley |
| An organization close to the specific interests of Funtley village with a voice on the borough council and a direct interest in providing amenities for the community. |
| Engages local people in local matters. |
| I think the issues affecting us residents in the village will be given a greater voice with the borough council |
| It will give us the opportunity to address issues in the village which I feel the borough council ignores |
| Local people to make decisions about local issues rather than FBC who seem only interested in themselves and their egos |
| we need a Parish council to look at local issues |
| More say and influence on matters concerning village proposals, and prioritise any improvements or maintenance issues |
| FBC has many responsibilities within a large borough. This means that an area like Funtley has to compete for its amenities. If a Parish Council is created, it could apply for outside funding to augment the council's basic provision and provide extra facilities for the residents. There would also be a democratic body representing the residents on issues which affect Funtley. We would have a voice! |
| To have better control on development in the area and to have a say in issues that will affect the local community. |
| I would like Funtley to have its own voice in its community. The current arrangements administered by Fareham Borough Council are perfectly adequate. But could be better. |
| I would like Funtley to have a voice within its own community. The arrangement administered by Fareham Borough Council are perfectly adequate but could be better. |
| The Funtley community will have greater involvement with matters relating to Funtley. |
| Greater say in what happens in my community. |
| More open & transparent communication from FBC via the Parish Council. Input into local decisions and where money is spent. Public services. |
| Hopefully give some say to what affects residents of Funtley. |
| More say in what happens in our community. |
| Funtley is a small village and has a village feel to it, I think having a Parish Council will allow us to make more decisions locally ourselves on issues that directly affect us. |
| It would give the community a voice on the Council. |

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| Allow the local community to have a voice and to be able to have an involvement with decisions that affect the local area. |
| More Local Control |
| we will have more say in what happens in our community |
| A bigger voice about what is happening in and around Funtley |
| Give a voice to the people of Funtley in what happens in the village not just Fareham |
| It would give the residents of Funtley more control over what effects them |
| I live in Funtley, anything on Funtley's side is important. |
| Allow residents to have an input into the local community around them |
| Allow the local residents to review and provide feedback to the council on a wide range of services and become involved in decision making. |
| Would enable people who live in the village have a say in decisions made by the BC. To be consulted about issues that will impact on the village. |
| A parish Council would listen more to your concerns about any issues that are going on in Funtley and hopefully get things done quicker for you. |
| It will give Funtley residents a more powerful voice which the Borough and Country Councils have to listen to. It gives us legal powers too. |
| We could have our own individual opinion instead of being tied to FBC. Fareham is a town whereas Funtley is a village that is being ruled by a majority who do not live in Funtley. At least we could have a voice |
| To have a little more visibility about local issues that affect all of us that live in the village, as most of us do not want significant change to our surroundings but I accept that some change is inevitable. |
| I feel there could be more of a chance our views + ideas from the people who LIVE HERE. |
| Expedite solutions for local issues like littering, overgrown vegetation and improve litter collections. A Parish Council would be more sympathetic to local issues in the village and its residents. Quicker resolutions to implement long term solutions to meet the needs of the residents. Local residents having a greater say in what matters to them for their village and any future developments. |
| Having a local voice, the opportunity to comment on planning applications. Promotion of local discussion by local people. |
| More say and control in what goes on in our village. |
| More independence from YOU Fareham Borough Council |
| Local decisions made by local people, not someone living miles away. |
| To give a voice to the residents of Funtley |
| Take particular interest in the village to improve environment for all |

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| so the people of Funtley Village can have more say in keeping our village as a village |
| Greater local decision making on issues that affect Funtley on a day to day basis. |
| Not only the obvious; securing social-archy, improving local metropolis and gaining the connection between the public and the government. I feel it will mean a better future for Funtley overall and will mean the people are heard |
| Having a parish council would allow greater local decision mainly within the village on issues relevant to funtley but which may be overlooked or misunderstood by a larger borough council. There would be greater representation of the village to various local council and committees and help all members of the village feel that they have a greater democratic voice on issues that are immediately relevant to them. |
| To have greater knowledge and control over what happens in our village. |
| We get to voice our own opinions |
| More say in local issues. |
| To have more of a say in local issues. |
| A certain amount of self-determination escaping the over powering will of a council voted for less than 50% of the populous. |
| Local community having a say in local issues. |
| Facilities/Leisure |
| Input on leisure facilities and grants to local groups and my others. |
| Maybe we will finally get a bin for the children's play area? Opportunity on giving our input into local planning decisions. |
| Better use of local parks |
| To improve facilities in the community Improve community structure and relationships |
| Provide access to local amenities that Fareham Borough Council tend to overlook |
| Better play park |
| Quicker results on repairs and renewals plus extra things such as lighting. |
| Improved local amenities |
| Ability to spend small amounts of public money on the village |
| Control over improvements & a local say in them |
| Hopefully will help stop dog walkers not picking up their dog poo! It's everywhere on the footpaths, fed up with my buggy constantly covered in it!! Need 30mph speed limit by entrance to roebuck Avenue Fit Trail in park |
| As a neighbour to Funtley, Wickham Parish Council fully supports the creation of a parish council for the village. The benefits include harnessing local enthusiasm to bring forward projects and particularly to fund raise and access external funding for facilities that FBC and HCC may not be able to afford. Local governance provides a focal point for residents, can strengthen the work carried out by existing community groups, en |

| Infrastructure |
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| 1. Slow down traffic coming round bend at top of Funtley Hill and throughout the village. 2. Keep lampposts free from overhanging trees which block out lights especially on the hill. 3. Clean up village appearance - Litter and grass cutting. |
| A suitable solution to the reduction in available parking created by the unnecessary extension of the double yellow lines on Funtley Hill |
| Input on traffic calming measures, street lighting, |
| Having more control over the speed and excess traffic through the village and the very big problem of parking. |
| I hope it would achieve a lower road speed limit through the village and River Lane |
| Traffic calming (speed limits) Footpath maintenance Ditches & drains " Bins |
| Benefits would include having more decisions on what money would be spent on which would be decided by local people for local people. |
| I would like to see more slow Traffic measures put in place. |
| To deal with problems in the area i.e. speed bumps to keep traffic to speed limit as Funtley is used as a short cut. |
| Ability to apply for grants under Parish status to improve facilities in the village. |
| Well hopefully will could get more street lighting as when you put the new ones in, we are now one less and walking in the dark down by the railway bridge is a nightmare. Plus we might get the roads gritted as every morning between 7-10am and in the evening between 4-7pm everyone uses it as a rat run between Whitely and Fareham. |
| More chance of getting enhancements for the village I believe having a parish council will allow the residents of Funtley to have more say about what happens within our village e.g. traffic calming and street lighting |
| Additional services and facilities for Funtley. Better control of Funtley. |
| local issues can be addressed (e.g. fly tipping) |
| 1) Start a neighbourhood watch to reduce crimes 2) Be able to report local street lighting that is failing. 3) Checking any repairs needed to footpaths. |
| Greater jurisdiction on what happens in our village to safeguard existing green space and develop better facilities and amenities. Introduce traffic calming due to funtley being used as a short cut to whitely. |
| To safeguard the village community and ensure better amenities & facilities. |
| Address the parking situation. Stricter control of maintenance of green spaces. |
| Maintain children's play areas, provide a community area, traffic calming |
| Improve local needs with ongoing litter issues, graffiti and better control go over grown vegetation. Better resolutions when |

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| dealing with local issues concerning traffic management and parking |
| I hope we would have more say over our village including speeding through the village, lighting etc. lollipop lady, zebra crossing |
| 30 mph speed limit by Roebuck Avenue Outdoor fitness in park |
| Community Cohesion |
| It would bring a sense of cohesion and community to the village. |
| A better sense of community. |
| Because it will build on the identity of Funtley village and help improve the area. |
| More community involvements for the village and will make the village an amazing place to live. |
| Offer a structure for ongoing community development |
| Other |
| Having read the accompanying leaflet it would seem to be worth the extra benefits to Funtley village of an increased Council Tax bill. |
| When I've been to other villages with Parish Councils they are better kept and looked after. We feel forgotten here by the Council. I hope that others can see the Funtley's beauty once Parish Council takes over. Sooner the better |
| Local people will understand the impacts of local problems. A friendly face in the village to turn to. |
| I live in Funtley, we need local support and local information. |
| Enable local people to manage their own local area will help to enhance the local community spirit |
| Voices will be heard Opportunity to have a say on local matters Build the local community |
| I agree with all the information provided recently and feel that it would benefit this area. |

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| Make no changes to the current arrangements comments |
| Do not feel that this extra & costly layer of local government will make any difference. Whilst FBC does not always get it right, I feel that we would be better off staying as we are. |
| I think they work well as there are at present. Why add another level of bureaucracy |
| Parish council not needed i.e. House of Lords |
| The current arrangements are sufficient i.e. House of Lords |
| Because I cannot afford the Rate increase to cover the costings. Being on my own |
| I do not want to pay extra payments on top of my council tax |
| Costs extra money so not interested. Don't have the money |
| Why do we need to pay extra for the same works carried out by FBC do? The only think that I would like is parking stopped on the green verge on Funtley Road behind the double yellow lines, churned up grass is an eyesore |
| I believe my home area responsibility of council. Do not want local people controlling Funtley OR to have to pay more Council Tax. |
| Additional cost |
| Uncapped council taxes! Silly idea, why change!!! |
| The proposed Parish Council is a wholly unnecessary additional layer of bureaucracy that will only result in delays to the decision making process that the Borough Council already has to go through. Furthermore, those individuals that are making this proposal are not representative of the residents of Funtley but rather a small group of self-opinionated nimbies. The existing Council and Borough Councillors are already burdened by e |
| Facilities provided are already adequate. Cannot see a demand for further provision, so no benefit at all |
| I see absolutely no reason with the current arrangements should be changed as it would seem that everything the parish council can do. FBC is already does and does it within a reasonable time of asked or able |
| I was born here and christened here went to school here and still live here. I do not understand why people move here and then want to change everything. this is about a bunch of power hungry individuals who have dreamt up one more scheme, as they see it to score points over FBC in particular Cllr Woodward, this being the main objective |

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| The better of two evils and neither of you can or will stop the new planned estate. |
| The functions described for the Parish Council in my view are not worth having another layer of bureaucracy and I am not sure the Parish Council will represent all residents' views but those who will govern it. |
| I believe that the current arrangements allow me to contact Fareham Borough Council directly if I have any questions regarding Funtley and to express my own thoughts regarding any issue that may affect the area. I do not feel that a Parish Council would offer anything additional to the current arrangements but would add a layer of unnecessary bureaucracy. I have been concerned reading the newsletters that the Funtley Village Society. |
| Avoid unnecessary, additional bureaucracy at extra cost. |
| It wouldn't cost me an extra £40 a year on top of the existing council tax which is already like paying a mortgage. Plus I was never asked if I wanted or needed anything on their wish list. What kind of parish council doesn't ask the residents what they would like or need in things like extra services or amenities? It seems to me that a select elite group of people are making decisions and choosing what they want not necessarily what others do |
| I say no to wannabe important busybodies interfering with Fareham Borough Councils business. |
| I've lived here for 20 years and I have never met any of these interfering people, therefore how can they be representing my interests. |
| The parish council is an unnecessary additional layer of government administration/lobbying with little relevant experience. Elected Councilors and trained officers are already in place and have demonstrated their knowledge and support during the Welborne development. Funtley Meadow improvements are an excellent example of officer knowledge and skill in action - I can't imagine why a Parish would consider taking this on even if funding went with it. There is no valid reason to pass management of services to a Parish as the expertise and knowledge is already with officers and paid for through the council tax. Employment issues for litter pickers and the maintenance/ inspection of additional equipment would be an extra burden and all the extras suggested would require funding - I assume from an additional levy. I feel that the present arrangement is fair for all and do not believe that it is necessary to pay for a gold plates service. |
| Having a parish council is an unnecessary additional layer of government and would not add anything. |
| I believe that the council do a good job already and I am not willing to pay twice for a service that is already carried out to a high standard |
| Do not want extra charges |
| Cannot afford and do not want extra charges |

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| <p>1. I do not want to pay any additional tax (precept) 2. I can see little benefit over and above normal council arrangements 3. Welborne is going ahead whether we like it or not (we don't like it but hey) 4. I do not want to vote on yet more local issues 5. I do not know or trust the people that are putting themselves forward</p> |
| <p>As a parish meeting can be arranged without a precept I would favour this option. A full parish council introduces an unnecessary additional level of bureaucracy at a cost. The size of the proposed parish is too small to achieve any economies of scale. Although matched funding can be obtained, the proposed precept of £40 per year would only bring in approximately £12000 per annum, over half of which would be spent paying a parish clerk even on a part time basis. A parish clerk needs expertise and I do not believe this role could be undertaken voluntarily. The parish councillors have no more power over planning matters than any other ordinary citizen, albeit they are consulted. I am also concerned that FBC may mutually agree to allow the Parish council to take over maintenance of the recreational ground. The precept would be used for this purpose but my council tax to the full council would not be reduced pro rata.</p> |
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| <p>As a Parish Meeting can be arranged without a precept I would favour this option. A parish council would introduce an unnecessary additional level of bureaucracy and additional cost. I feel that Funtley is too small a community to make a Parish council a realistic addition to the levels of bureaucracy already in place. Although matched funding could be obtained, the proposed precept of £40 per year would only bring in approximately £12000 per annum. Over half of this would be used to pay for a parish clerk, which I consider to be an essential expense as the council members should have call on a professional parish clerk with the necessary expertise. I do not believe this role should be undertaken by a volunteer. With respect to planning matters, Parish councillors have the same consultancy rights as all Borough residents, but with no additional powers and therefore I do not feel that they are needed.</p> |
| <p>I have lived in Funtley for 30 years and have been happy with the services provided by the council. I see no need for a parish council and the extra costs involved.</p> |
| <p>They seem fine by me, apart from not gritting Funtley Hill and Road when needed plus with a parish council I can see my council tax increasing - why should I pay more.</p> |

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| I can see no purpose to having a Parish council as it has limited powers and the services that they would provide are covered under the current arrangements e.g. park maintenance and the play area is adequate. |
| I do not wish to pay an additional precept charge. |
| We cannot afford to pay extra when our current council tax should cover the requests. |
| I cannot see the benefit to having a parish council. It will only add another layer to the decision making and more money to pay for it. |
| Can't see any benefit over current system. |
| I don't feel a parish council would had any value to Funtley village |
| It's a totally unnecessary tax to boost the egos of a few some of whom are only here at weekends. The village has survived all these years without these newcomers taking over and dividing the village into a them and us society. |
| The current arrangements are working alright so we don't need the extra cost on the rates. |
| I feel this has worked well all these years. If there is any problems and you talk to the council, they work to resolve the problem. I feel the parish council if formed is going to add more cost to council tax and this will hit the people who can't afford it. It is the Funtley Village Society that wants the parish council and I believe most of these people are newcomers to the village and they seem to be dividing the village providing they get what they want. |
| I believe the village should remain as original arrangements as a pensioner the extra taxes are not affordable |
| Because I cannot see what they can do anything different than what we have already. Also I do not wish to pay out any more cash for people to play at parish councillors or pa a wage plus to a parish clerk who in my opinion won't have much work to do. |
| I can see no better results than Fareham Council can give us. All I can make out is a Parish will want us to pay more for the same they already put the yearly price up from around £15 to £88. It will only be other job for the boys that we will have to pay for. |
| I have no wish at all for Funtley becoming a Parish. |
| Funtley is not a pretty village and will, with the proposed developments forced upon us against our wishes by Fareham Borough Council, become even less attractive. Over the last twenty-five plus years Funtley village has changed dramatically and not necessarily for the better. We are now being asked at a price to support something which has little if any additional advantage to village life. I have therefore, not been convinced by the arguments and suggestions put forward by the Funtley Village Society, that the advantages out way the disadvantages and for that reason I am against Funtley being given Parish status. If my name appears on the original application you have my permission to remove it. |

I am very concerned that people in Funtley village are under the assumption that by making Funtley a Parish Council they would gain certain powers. When I was approached to sign the petition certain gains were being put forward. "A path down through the park, additional lighting over Funtley bridge, additional benches in the park, bus shelter, traffic calming and village activities and importantly, being informed of any planning developments and having a significant say." So you can see how people so readily signed the petition. Additional lighting is best approached by talking to Hants CC. More benches in the park will encourage tramps to sleep on them or young people to occupy them late evening. Regarding a bus shelter, most people catch the bus outside the Minors Arms and can stand under the eaves as they do now. In fact there is no suitable place for a bus shelter there. Traffic calming? There are so many cars parked in the village road at most times which slows the vehicles down without additional measures. A path down through the park? Wellington boots solve this problem without incurring costs to people who don't wish to

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| Comments | For/Against Council's draft recommendation |
| <p>The review period is not long enough. I do not consider the current representation to be sufficient. We are not even referred to in the name of our ward. The review was too negative. The review should have considered the views of the majority, not the minority. A democratic parish council meets my needs better. The government is promoting local plans in radio adverts.</p> | Against |
| <p><i>Formal complaint submitted by respondent.</i> Main points of response: Second phase consultation period not long enough Views of the 74.5% of respondents not taken into account Biased presentation of results Powers of Parish Council not misrepresented Information provided by the Council was misleading</p> | Against |
| <p>I would be quite happy to have my say through the ward councillors. I feel the Funtley village society is made up of all newcomers to the village and the residents who have lived here all their lives have never been included in this select group.</p> | For |
| <p>I would like to register our frustration at Fareham council's decision not to democratically allow Funtley to form a parish council and would question your decision. This is the wish of the residents of the majority of our community and I believe it would benefit us all. We are afforded a vote to install politically divided councillors to represent us at local council elections in hope they will make correct decisions for the benefit of our community. Please reconsider your direction in this matter.</p> | Against |

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| <p>I recommend things stay with the elected ward Councillors, the Funtley village society is a self-styled group who have not been asked to represent the residents of the village.</p> | <p>For</p> |
| <p>I would like to reiterate my objection to the possibility of the creation of a parish council for Funtley, as I am content that the current democratic setup provides more than adequate opportunity for representation for residents. A parish council here would only introduce unnecessary bureaucracy and delays to the existing local government system. I am pleased that the Officers recommendation is to reject the proposal.</p> | <p>For</p> |
| <p>Thank you for extending your second phase consultation. However we do not agree with the proposed Officer recommendation to the Council later this month. The recommendation flies in the face of the people who have spoken and makes no sense under the Localism Act, democracy or even statistically. In our opinion the Council are simply dragging their feet for reasons unbeknown to us.</p> | <p>Against</p> |
| <p>Given the results of your own consultation on this matter I find it amazing that you can arrive at a recommendation that Funtley not create a Parish Council. An overwhelming majority of those residents who feel strongly enough to register their opinion are in favour, yet you dwell entirely on the concerns of a dissident minority. You are surely aware that the essence of democracy is that the expressed will of the majority should carry the day. There will always be a minority who disagree and their concerns should be respected, but on no account must they be allowed to prevail over the wishes of the majority. Such an outcome turns justice and fairness on its head. You should hardly need reminding that it is the localism policy of central government that where a local community votes for a Parish Council there is to be a presumption in favour of its establishment.</p> <p>Your contention that the work of the Funtley Village Society (FVS) can provide an adequate substitute for a Parish Council in giving the community a voice is wrong on three very important grounds:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. FVS is a wholly self-appointed pressure group which, although sincere and responsible, has no democratic mandate to speak for the people of Funtley and no authority to take action on the community's behalf. 2. When it comes to financing of community projects a Parish Council would have access to funds | <p>Against</p> |

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| <p>and grants that are not available to FVS. The benefits brought to a community by such grants can be considerable and other Parish Councils in Hampshire as well as further afield can provide testimony to this fact.</p> <p>3. A Parish Council has a statutory right to be consulted on matters concerning its community and under such circumstances can provide higher authorities with valuable insights into the impact of certain developments on the community and has the ability to work in collaboration with those authorities to mitigate its constituents' concerns. While FVS may be operating in a favourable climate today; that it will always be so is by no means guaranteed as it has no rights in statute as does a Parish Council.</p> <p>As you will know FVS has made several attempts to bring the above facts and their backgrounds to the attention of all councillors in order to inform their deliberations at the upcoming Council meeting in a spirit of nonpartisan information sharing and under the chairmanship of authorities outside the community. These attempts have so far met with very limited success and a want of willing co-operation on the part of your authority.</p> <p>I urge you to reconsider your recommendation before the 28 July meeting of the Council.</p> | |
| <p>My response to the letter sent to my home on the forming of a parish council in Funtley.</p> <p>The letter was extremely one sided it seems that the council officer who wrote this document has written or has been told to write a very biased view and the fact that 74.5% of residents were in favour was totally omitted and I only found this by going to web site many residents do not have access to Internet. The letter put over a one sided negative stance to residents. Also my neighbours either side of my house never received the letter! Is this really the work of an open and honest council?</p> <p>I'm strongly in favour of a local parish council and just remember 74.5% of voters were also in favour. In the recent local election the Fareham North candidate was elected on only 34% of the vote.</p> <p>I'm of the opinion this cannot be an officer delegated recommendation alone on such an important Democratic decision. I do hope the councillors who will be voting on this important subject will understand what they are voting for and have been fully briefed on all the benefits of a parish council as</p> | <p>Against</p> |

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| <p>I hear only a handful have any knowledge on the subject and very few have been willing to get involved in process. The local people want a vibrant village community and this could kick start it.</p> <p>The village has recently been forced with not one of our recommendations, to accept the Welborne development on our village boundary an unwanted and not needed in its size. To take this chance away would be another kick in the teeth for Funtley. Fareham Borough Council omitted to tell resident's in areas where a new development are built in the parish, the parish council retains all CIL payments.</p> <p>Fareham Borough Council seem to be ignoring central government policy and cross party policy to encourage localism.</p> <p>From the localism act 'places significantly more influence in the hands of local people over issues that make a big difference to their lives'</p> <p>The leader of Fareham Borough Council even signed a prospectus for discussion with Government</p> <p>We will bring decision-making closer to communities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIOW will widen and deepen devolution locally, seeking opportunities for district and parish councils to take on functions and co-design/co-deliver services with communities. <p>It seems to me Sean Woodward welcomes local devolution of powers, he preaches his wish to central government, but as long as it only flows down to, and stops at his office.</p> <p>From localism act 13 February 2008, district councils, unitary county councils and London borough councils ('principal councils') have had responsibility for undertaking community governance reviews and have been able to decide whether to give effect to recommendations made in those reviews. In making that decision, they will need to take account of the views of local people.</p> <p>FBC seem only to have taken the negative comments into consideration. I see very little democracy being practiced in FAREHAM</p> | |
| <p>In reply to your letter of the 2nd June I would just like to say that as nearly 75% of the residents of Funtley expressed their wish to have a</p> | <p>Against</p> |

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| <p>Parish Council, clearly a majority, it seems difficult to understand why the application has been turned down.</p> | |
| <p>The application for setting up a Parish Council for Funtley should be reconsidered, and approved as per the guidance given in the Localism Act.</p> <p>It is unreasonable for Fareham Borough Council (FBC) to turn down Funtley’s application, since all criteria’s have been met, and the reasons for the refusal given by FBC do not appear to have taken account of Funtley’s residents need to have more say in the running of our village, since FBC have not been pro-active in the past.</p> <p>There has been very little interest taken by FBC regarding the community requirements of Funtley residents in the past, and we believe that this refusal is just a naive attempt to try and keep the “residents” under control, to allow FBC to impose their will, which is wrong.</p> <p>FBC is empowered and elected to serve the communities, not dictate, and should welcome constructive participation by the residents it serves, we want a say.</p> | Against |
| <p>I agree with the submission of the Funtley Village Society that a Parish Council should be established for the community. I believe that the Fareham BC would be acting improperly if it accepted the recommendation of its Officers to ignore the clear majority vote of the residents in favour of the setting up of a Parish Council for Funtley .The Officers document appears to be both misleading and biased .As such it should be disregarded .The Borough Council should accept the majority vote of the residents and agree to the setting up of a parish Council in accordance with Government directive. It is because of the way that the FBC has appeared to disregard the properly expressed views of this community over a long period of time that there is a need to establish a statutory body, distinct from the FBC, to protect its interests and make its voice heard.</p> | Against |
| <p>I would like to add my support to setting up a Parish Council in Funtley. I am totally at a loss as to why you have recommended that that the application for the Parish Council has been turned down when 75% of Funtley residents have voted in favour of the Council. I would therefore ask that you reconsider your decision.</p> | Against |

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| <p>On the issue of Funtley becoming a Parish Council, we are quite happy with the decision that the council has made and we feel that it is unnecessary for Funtley to have Parish council at this moment in time. As a widow and retired resident of Funtley the issue with the increase in the annual cost of council tax, I would be disappointed if the council were to back down on this decision that they have already made. We are happy with the current setup of Funtley Village Society and feel no parish council is needed, feedback should be given through the Village Society and no further action is needed.</p> | <p>For</p> |
| <p>I wish to express my dissatisfaction and total disbelief with your conclusions regarding the first phase consultation results, in which you dismiss the Funtley Parish Council in preference for the Village Society. I fail to understand how you can dismiss the request of 74.5% of residents to form a Parish Council. Again, I express my preference for the creation of Funtley Parish Council, and hope that the voice of the majority will now be respected.</p> | <p>Against</p> |
| <p>We were very pleased to receive your letter of 23rd May advising of the Council's draft recommendation to consider not creating a Parish Council. Please accept this as confirmation that we are both firmly AGAINST the creation of a Funtley Parish Council.</p> | <p>For</p> |
| <p>We wish to register our support of The Funtley Parish Council. We can't believe that after a 74.5% MAJORITY in favour of a Funtley Parish Council, with 322 out of 566 residents of Funtley voting in favour, that Fareham Borough Council have deemed it democratic to go with the MINORITY and disallow this parish council.</p> <p>The views of the majority of Funtley residents has not been taken into account, so may we ask how this can be deemed to be a democratic decision? We, the under signed, would like a parish council for Funtley to give us a better control of what is happening to and could be beneficial to our community</p> | <p>Against</p> |
| <p>Following on from receiving your draft recommendation, I wanted to pass my own feedback, having now been a resident of Funtley for sufficient time to pass judgement on the Funtley Village Society and their so-called 'representative view' of the residents.</p> <p>I support the decision to recommend not forming a Parish Council. I do not feel that Funtley Village Society are truly representative of the views of the community, they are not elected, rather a group of</p> | <p>For</p> |

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| <p>people who elevate themselves above the community, claiming they speak for them.</p> <p>I do not feel we would receive value for money from the precept - whilst I understand the elected councillor would be a voluntary role, how are the administrative functions of the proposed council to be funded? One would assume, via the precept. I am happy to discuss any of the above content if you so wish.</p> | |
| <p>We write again to confirm the views we expressed in recent emails. Of the 565 voting requests sent out by FBC 230 were returned. Of these 171 voted in favour of a Parish Council, leaving 394 who either voted against or abstained (a non-return vote is NOT a YES in favour) 171 as a percentage of 565 is 30%. Hardly the overwhelming majority claimed.</p> <p>We cannot believe someone from the Parish Council brigade went to the expense of producing the glossy leaflet that was pushed through our doors. Obviously a sign to come of more money wasted if a Parish Council was appointed. As someone else has expressed, who are these people who are trying to impose onto us something so unnecessary. Over the 30 years we have lived here, Funtley's needs have been adequately met both by Fareham BC and Hampshire CC. We do not need another tier of bureaucracy.</p> | For |
| <p>1st submission: I'm not in favour of Funtley having a parish council as it would increase the council tax bill. I believe the cost will outweigh the benefit to the village.</p> <p>2nd submission: I don't want a parish council for Funtley as I'm happy with Fareham Borough Council looking after the village. I feel a parish council for Funtley is unnecessary for the extra money that it would incur</p> | For |
| <p>I do not need a group of wannabe important busy bodies insert themselves as Funtley parish council. I have had recent written communication with these people to voice my views on their wants and the village's needs. Sadly they were very dismissive on the village needs and wish to prioritise their wants instead. So for that reason I do not feel that the village would benefit from having a parish council.</p> | For |
| <p>I am writing to express my entire dissatisfaction at the recent decision to refuse the setting up of a parish council in Funtley, despite the fact that all criteria for this, including a large majority vote within the</p> | Against |

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| <p>parish, have been met. This appears to me to be yet another instance of FBC ignoring the local will of voters following on from the decision to press ahead with the unpopular foundation of the Welborne New Town.</p> <p>I call upon FBC to reverse this most recent decision and to accept the democratic will of the Funtley residents.</p> | |
| <p>Regarding your letter of the 23 May saying that the Council were refusing permission for us to have a Parish Council seeing as you quoted the negative reactions of the Minority to bolster your decision. The alternative suggestion supplied (residents having a greater say through a lesser body) brought a smile to my face and here is why:- The Government supports Parish Councils the MAJORITY of Funtley inhabitants support Parish Councils, I do not think that Your reasons hold water.</p> | Against |
| <p>A couple phoned to express their support for the Council's proposal. Feel like the Council keep them informed. They are pensioners and don't want to have to pay extra. Particularly, concerned about the thought of having to pay for a clerk. Also questioned the need for a public toilet in Funtley which the FVS are apparently proposing.</p> | For |
| <p>I am in receipt of your letter dated 23rd May 2016, to which I would make the following observations.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. You mentioned a number of areas where residents wanted to have a greater say in determining outcomes, all of which are relevant. You then specifically picked local planning applications as an area where influence would be restricted and ignoring the remainder. My opinion is that a Parish Council made up of local stakeholders focusing on Funtley would have a marked influence on change desired. 2. You mentioned that a quarter of those responding did not wish to make changes to the current arrangements. (of which there are none specifically structured for Funtley I believe). By my maths this indicates a clear three to one majority in favour of the proposal. I find this inclusion somewhat bizarre as a rationale for no change. 3. Of the concerns listed in opposition, these should be considered the opinions of the minority of residents given the support given by others. | Against |

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| <p>4. The remainder of your summary is in my opinion frankly hot air. There are a great number of Parish councils established across the UK which presumably continue to act in local interests with a positive effect. These serve to assist the interests of local people in a wide range of areas, most importantly to preserve and improve the quality of life for these people. Your alternative proposal which offers no material change has or will not deliver the substance which I believe is required.</p> <p>Lastly I would also make the point that I find it ironic that you cited local planning applications as a restriction of influence. (point 1 above). Whilst the influence of a Parish Council may be limited there are doubtless many examples where developments have been modified, improved, restricted or re-considered following engagement with Parish Councils. I see no interest from Fareham Borough Council in representing local residents generally, an example being the manner in which it has dealt with the Welborne proposals and its impact on Funtley which has been nothing short of diabolical. Moreover, the never ending thirst for development of the borough continues with the recently published intention to build even more homes without necessary infrastructure or thought of preservation of any kind. To my mind I believe your negative response is driven by these motivations and an unwillingness to engage with anyone with an alternative viewpoint.</p> | |
| <p>I find it staggering that you can write to Funtley Residents and demonstrate and confirm how undemocratic our Borough Council is. The overall majority of Residents have voted for a Parish Council by twice the margin of our newly elected representative on the council, it is obscene Sir.</p> | <p>Against</p> |
| <p>Phoned to express his strong support for the Councils recommendations made in the governance review. He has lived in Funtley for 30 years and doesn't think anything needs fixing. He and his partner signed the original petition put around by the FVS, but was not given enough information at the time to make an informed decision. As he knew the person on the doorstep holding the petition, he felt obligated to sign it, as he thought it would be rude not to.</p> <p>Now that he has seen the various letters and information for and against he firmly believes we should keep things as they are.</p> | <p>For</p> |

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| <p>Submission1 : We have just received a copy of your letter dated 23rd May 2016, and would be most interested how you reached the conclusion that in spite 75% of residents being in favour of a Parish Council , you have decided not to allow the proposal.</p> <p>How can this be democratic??</p> <p>Submission 2: Following receipt of your further letter dated 2nd June 2016 concerning your draft recommendations not to allow the creation of a Parish Council we would reiterate our previous unease at the decision you reached. One cannot ignore the 75% of residents that voted for the formation of a Parish Council without a very convincing argument, which you have failed to do.</p> | <p>Against</p> |
| <p>Phoned to say she is very supportive of the recommendations put forward by us. She has grown up in Funtley and feels strongly about not having a Parish. She believes that the FVS form a small clique of residents and you are okay as long as you agree with their views.</p> | <p>For</p> |
| <p>As a resident of Funtley Village I would like to express my preference for Funtley Village to have its own Parish Council. We moved to this village as we wished to live in the countryside and not in the town. Funtley was as far into the country as we could afford but we greatly value our 'village feel and certainly do not consider ourselves a part of Fareham town. When we wish to go to town for doctors, dentists, shops....we drive in, pay our parking fee and then return home back to the village. I know we are going to lose this when the new houses are built in our fields but we are a village and do not wish to belong to one huge great mass. We wish to preserve the village identity, represented by Funtley Parish Council, not just as a part of Fareham.</p> | <p>Against</p> |
| <p>I would like to express my astonishment in your recommendations regarding the Funtley residents desire to become a Parish Council.</p> <p>I understood we lived in a democracy, and that the Localism Act demands that Councils listen to the majority view of their residents. In any community, there will always be those that disagree with the majority view, but to base your recommendations on the 25% who didn't want a Parish is blatantly against democratic principles.</p> <p>I also object to the biased way you have presented the facts. In your original letter, you should have</p> | <p>Against</p> |

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| <p>given the results of the survey up front, so all residents could see. But it's not until you go onto the website, that this is discovered in your presentation. Not all residents have access to the website, so you have denied them the most important fact about the whole survey, i.e. the result!</p> <p>All quotes supplied were from those residents who were against a Parish and the reasons you gave were not sufficient to deny us the status that most of us are asking for. Was this purely your own views or did a selection of councillors make the recommendations?</p> <p>The reasons I want Funtley to have a Parish were clear in my original submission, so I will not repeat them. But you imply that responders do not understand what powers a Parish can have or the advantages that Parish status would bring? I would like you to know that I have read all the literature presented by the Funtley Village Society, (which was independently produced by HALC and unbiased) and am fully aware of the precept (which I'm happy to pay) and also the powers that a Parish Council will have. I want our village to follow the many examples of successful Parishes throughout the country in working with the Council to help improve our community.</p> | |
| <p>I am a resident of Funtley and as such, I would like it known that I object to your decision to deny us a local parish. As a resident I would like Funtley to have its own Parish and in not recognising this you have gone against a democratic decision which is unconstitutional.</p> | <p>Against</p> |
| <p>As a new member of Funtley village I am strongly in favour of the creation of a Funtley Parish Council.</p> <p>I have recently moved to this village for its rural community feel and believe that having our own Parish Council would build on this further.</p> <p>I have seen it work well in other small communities across Hampshire and I know it can gain our community access to funding pools / grants / funding streams we do not currently have available to us.</p> <p>This approach to taking more localised action is really what grass roots democracy is all about & is exactly what the Localism Act was set up to encourage.</p> <p>I vote in favour for establishing our own Parish Council.</p> | <p>Against</p> |

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| <p>You have been forced to extend the consultation period on the Governance Review with regards Funtley forming a Parish Council, so as requested, here are my views.</p> <p>I am very much in favour of forming a Parish Council, there was a stunning 74.5% vote in favour in the Governance Review, plus it has to be remembered there was a petition presented showing YES from more than 50% of the electorate, and Funtley Village Society were scrupulous in following every required stage of consultation with people of the village, and have backing from the Association of Local Councils in their campaign.</p> <p>The legislation is clear, where a majority can be shown, and it has been now, twice, then the presumption should be yes to a Parish Council, that is government policy - much trumpeted localism - so what right have you to go against this?!</p> <p>Please see these graphs I have put together, they clearly show that the 74.5% yes was roughly 50% more than our Fareham North councillor polled to get elected in the 2016 borough elections.</p> <p>Even taking into account turnouts (both at 41%, so you can't claim it wasn't enough in the Governance Review), our 30.3% Yes from the total electorate was again roughly 50% more than the paltry 20.8% of the electorate the Fareham North candidate polled to get elected to the borough council in 2016.</p> <p>I believe if you continue to deny the democratic will of the people like this you will be subjected to a Judicial Review.</p> | <p>Against</p> |
| <p>I'm somewhat surprised, confused and disappointed at the decision not to recommend the creation of a Funtley Parish Council, given the vast majority of those that responded to the FBC questionnaire and the residents who signed the earlier petition, were clearly in favour Funtley having its own Parish Council.</p> <p>To date, the justification FBC has given for refusing the formation of such a Council is not only a totally inadequate, but is also completely contradictory to the basic principles of democracy, on which the political / electoral process of this country is based (as below):-</p> <p>Definition of democracy – a: government by the people; <i>especially</i> : <u>rule of the majority</u></p> <p>b: a government in which the supreme power is <u>vested</u> in the people and exercised by them directly or indirectly through a system of representation usually involving</p> | <p>Against</p> |

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| <p>periodically held free elections</p> <p>http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/democracy</p> <p>Therefore, despite almost 75% questionnaire respondents being in favour and 56% of the residents of Funtley village signing a petition in favour of the formation of a Parish Council, why are FBC (almost arrogantly, it appears) ignoring the wishes of the majority and adhering to the wishes of the minority and / or those who do not have a strong view on this issue either way?</p> <p><u>Is this truly a democratic response by FBC – is the exercise of democracy clear to all?</u></p> | |
| <p>After receiving a recent letter, I was very disappointed to find that as one of many residents of Funtley village who had communicated their wishes towards a parish council (74.5%), that Fareham council feel it acceptable to ignore the MAJORITY!</p> <p>This is not the first time that Funtley has been over looked! Our park doesn't get the same care as 'park lane', with the grass being left at a ridiculous length, over sixteen years without a basketball ring and the need for safer crossing to mention but a few!!</p> <p>Please do not ignore the residents!!!</p> | <p>Against</p> |
| <p>I am writing to voice my concern that Fareham Borough Council have ignored the wishes of the majority of people of Funtley and rejected the creation of a parish council.</p> <p>It is clear that the Borough council has no willingness to look after the interests of the people of Funtley, as the two main concerns of the residents are completely ignored by the council. The council are clearly waiting for someone to be seriously hurt before they act on traffic calming through Funtley, even though there was another serious accident in the last month concerning a motorcyclist. Secondly the council is only interested in maximising council tax revenue by squeezing in as many houses around the village with Welborne. There is no thought evident given to the fact that the motorway junction will be gridlocked, not to mention the death of the village atmosphere.</p> | <p>Against</p> |

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| <p>At the moment there is clearly no democratic representation of the views of the people of Funtley by a borough council only concerned with self-aggrandisement. The idea of a parish council seems to threaten this establishment, and therefore explains there rejection of a vote of 74.5 %.</p> <p>I clearly think that this decision should be reversed.</p> | |
| <p>I am writing to express my entire dissatisfaction at the recent decision to refuse the setting up of a parish council in Funtley, despite the fact that all criteria for this, including a large majority vote within the parish, have been met. This appears to me to be yet another instance of FBC ignoring the local will of voters following on from the decision to press ahead with the unpopular foundation of the Welborne New Town.</p> <p>I call upon FBC to reverse this most recent decision and to accept the democratic will of the Funtley residents.</p> | <p>Against</p> |
| <p>Thank you for extending the time to reply.</p> <p>In your letter you quoted that a quarter of the residents did not want any changes which means that three quarters of the residents do so therefore their opinions should hold sway.</p> <p>WELBORNE. We still don't know what impact this will have on Funtley either whilst being built or after construction.</p> <p>LOCAL PLANNING APPLICATION. The status you afford the Funtley Village Society could be rescinded at any time where the statutory rights from the parish could not.</p> <p>TRAFFIC CALMING. In the 17 years since living here, traffic has been a continually dangerous problem which is getting noticeably worse i.e. the fast through traffic making it dangerous exiting Lakeside, The Waters and Funtley lane. This is further aggravated by inconsiderate parking on double yellow lines opposite Lakeside and the bus stop area which is close to the lakeside junction. This makes it impossible to see traffic coming from the right.</p> <p>STREET LIGHTING. Funtley lane is very dark and could do with extra light.</p> <p>FUNDING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE LOCAL AREA. Parish council could have access to Lottery</p> | <p>Against</p> |

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| <p>funding. The play park is a joke, we have a small amount of play apparatus for the younger children and absolutely nothing for the others as the park itself is not kept up to standard such as grass cutting unlike other parks in Fareham are i.e. The leisure centre park and Blackbrook road which seem to be kept really well and have footpaths so can be used all year round, this really needs addressing for our children's wellbeing.</p> <p>MANAGING THE LOCAL AREA. Parking on the grass verges and pavements throughout the village which is not only unsightly but dangerous and inconvenient. Footpath around the lake is unusable in certain areas after rain. Despite granting permission for the fishing club to put a container on site to store tools in order to maintain the property this is not happening, therefore perhaps the unsightly container should be removed. We are wholly in favour of a Parish council and we think it would benefit all.</p> | |
| <p>I think Fareham Borough Council's recommendation for Funtley not to have its own Parish Council is ridiculous. The majority vote by Funtley residents in favour of our own Parish Council was 74.5%.</p> | <p>Against</p> |
| <p>I just wanted to show my support for the decision made to not make a parish council, instead strengthening the village society. My support for this decision is based upon the fact that the representations pushing for a parish council only seem to be involving the village residents when something is required, e.g. the petitions, but not the rest of the time.</p> | <p>For</p> |
| <p>Submission 1: We completely agree with your 3 main concerns. Trusting we keep the Status quo. Why should we pay more for the same level of service at the same time creating another level of bureaucracy? We feel it would also lead to elitism for some of the members of FVS. We have been well served by our local council over the years particularly by Pam Bryant and John. Particularly when the children's play equipment was at the rear of our house 108 Funtley Rd. Whom consulted with us and neighbours to get it replaced and moved away from the houses. In short we do not need a Parish Council here in Funtley. Thank you for keeping us informed and a resounding "yes" to your recommendation.</p> | <p>For</p> |

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| <p>Submission 2: I write yet again in order to stop this nonsense of a Parish Council for Funtley. Your draft recommendation is absolutely correct. I have feedback from 5 friends living in Funtley whom have indicated they do not want to pay the precept/ increased council tax, for the same level of service. This alone would lead to a lot of resentment in the village, me for one, if in any way this business of creating a Parish Council were to go ahead. Let sleeping dogs lie.</p> | |
| <p><i>Formal complaint submitted by respondent.</i></p> <p>Main points of response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The letter contained inaccurate use of data and was heavily biased. • Ignored the overwhelming majority of Funtley residents who want a Parish Council. • 2nd stage consultation period not long enough. • Imposed will of minority of majority. | Against |
| <p>I was one of the quarter of residents who did not want any change to Parish Status in the village. Very few people turned up to the meeting to ask relevant questions regarding a Village Parish. I did and I was most surprised to see such a poor turn out. It quickly became apparent that allowing Funtley to become a parish was only going to create further costs for residents without improving their lives. People with rents and mortgages could ill afford this especially people with small children. Subscriptions could and would rise and create embitterment within the community. The initial votes from the " fors " seem to be based on a couple of village members going house to house, canvassing and selling the scheme and getting people to vote yes.</p> <p>They should have come to the meeting and asked questions and understood what they were signing up for. It is obvious to me that Funtley will be like most "one time " village places. A couple of roads sandwiched between Red Barn Farm Estate and another to be Welborne estate. In fact given time it will disappear altogether in suburbia. So I agree with Fareham Council and very pleased that residents can approach councillors if they feel problems need to be ironed out.</p> | For |

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| <p>My partner and I received the letter regarding the recommendations dated 23rd May 2016 which invites a response. We are both disappointed and puzzled as to why, given the 75% of residents in favour of a Funtley Parish Council that the wishes of the minority are to take precedence. This appears to fly in the face of the democratic process. We remain in favour of the establishment of a Funtley Parish Council to represent the interests of the residents of Funtley.</p> | Against |
| <p>I am writing to confirm my support of the recommendation to give Funtley residents a greater say through the ward councillors and the Funtley Village Society and therefore not to proceed and create a Parish Council. I agree that many residents believe a Parish Council will give them far greater power which is not the case and provides little in tangible benefits over the current arrangements whilst providing additional cost and bureaucracy to residents.</p> <p>I fully support the proposed outcome.</p> | For |
| <p>I am very pleased with the decision. It would have been unnecessary additional bureaucracy. I hope residents involved with the FVS will be satisfied that their voice will be heard, but I don't know what they have to complain about!</p> | For |
| <p>REALLY</p> <p>"A quarter of people who took part did not want to make any changes".</p> <p>"74.5% were in favour of creating a new Funtley Parish Council"</p> <p>Please explain how it is democratic for the 74.5% to be outweighed by the 25.5%.</p> <p>Before imposing your choice "to strengthen this relationship with the FVS", Funtley residents should be asked for their preference :-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to be represented by the formation of a Parish Council, or to be represented by a strengthened FVS. <p>My fear is that the Fareham Borough Council is deliberately misinterpreting the views of the residents.</p> | Against |

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| <p>Thank you for updating us on the result of the above review. We are pleased with the outcome and are very happy that common sense has prevailed. Keep up the good work already provided for us by FBC.</p> | <p>For</p> |
| <p>I have received your letter of 23/5 re the recommendation not to create a Parish Council. As someone who was against this from the start I am delighted at this recommendation.</p> <p>I note that FBC will strengthen their relationship with FVS and that FVS has the same status as a statutory consultee as a Parish Council would but without the additional cost to the council tax payer - a good solution I would think.</p> | <p>For</p> |
| <p>I approve of this decision, I think it is a sensible one to make. Thank you</p> | <p>For</p> |