

# The Square, Bagshot

## Proposed village centre enhancement

In 2017 Surrey County Council consulted the public about a number of options for improving the centre of Bagshot village.

Proposals to improve the area where the memorial is situated in the centre of the village (see photo) proved to be the most popular option.



Different ways of creating an attractive shared community space giving more of a focal point to the village centre have therefore been considered. These all involve closing the small area of road marked on the plan.

Working together with the Parish Council a preferred option has now been identified. This is detailed in this consultation along with the other options considered.

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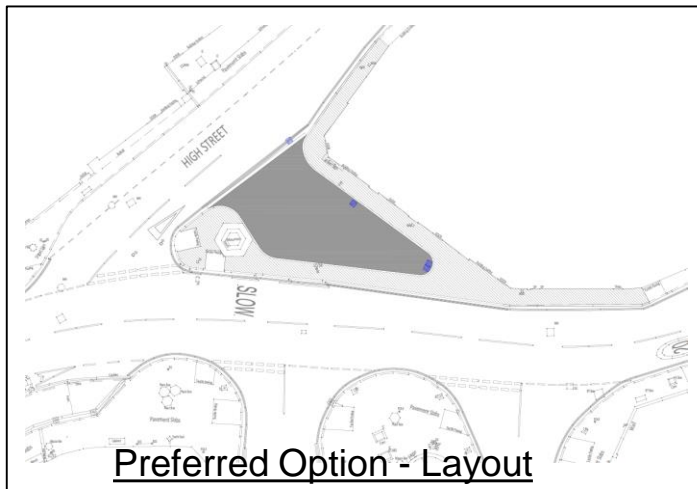
## Proposed village centre enhancement – Preferred Option

The preferred option is shown in the artist impression alongside and the plan below.

It has the benefits of creating a vehicle free community space that can be used for a variety of activities whilst still maintaining a clearly defined pedestrian route.



Preferred Option – Artist impression



Preferred Option - Layout

The new community space and surrounding footways would be resurfaced using materials agreed in consultation with the local conservation officer to ensure they create an attractive environment which is sympathetic to the village and its conservation area status. (The materials shown in the artist impressions are for illustrative purposes only).

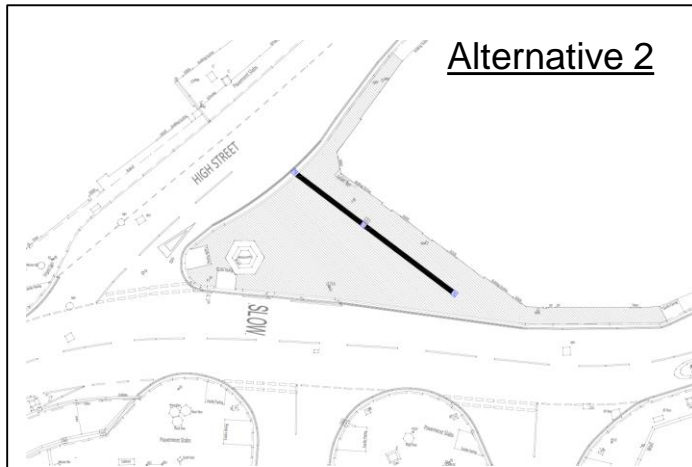
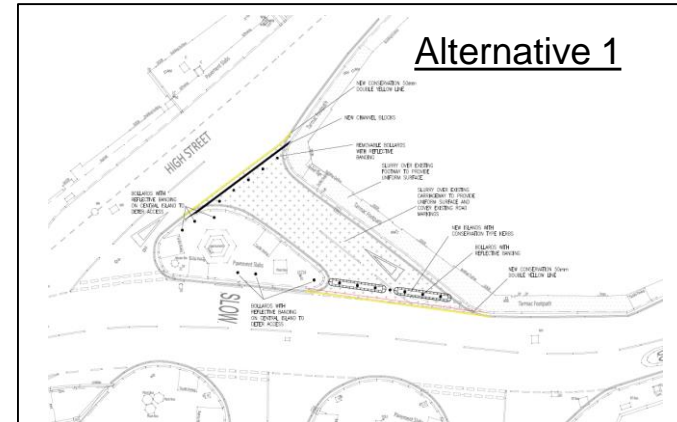
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## Proposed village centre enhancement – Other Options Considered

Two other alternative schemes were also developed and these are detailed below. However, the preferred option is considered to offer greater benefits than these schemes.

### Alternative 1

This option consists of using posts to close off the road at either end. A treatment would then be laid on the road surface to improve its appearance and distinguish it from the surrounding roads that remain open to traffic. Whilst this option would cost significantly less than the preferred option, it would result in a less attractive and less flexible space due to the various differences in level and materials.



### Alternative 2

This option involves raising the area of road being closed to create a single shared space for pedestrians on one level. However, there would be no defined pedestrian route with this option. The surface would also need a sufficient slope to ensure it drains adequately.

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Let us know what you think

If you have any comments about the proposed improvements, please let us know by completing the online form.



What happens next

There are developer contributions available to fund the proposed improvements and we hope to start work on implementing the proposals during spring/summer 2019 depending on the outcome of this consultation.