

Hello Julie

I enclose the information about Whitemoor for inclusion in the Neighbourhood Plan. Sorry that it has to be in this format but my E- Mails keep being returned as unable to deliver. I have checked that I have the correct address but they still keep coming back. Please feel free to make any amendments that you wish. Once again sorry about the delay.

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Whitemoor Village (For Neighbourhood Plan)

History.

Whitemoor is a small village in the clay area. The village consists of 3 main roads in a T shape, North Road leads to Roche, Park Road leads towards Nanpean via Currian Vale these roads form the top cross of the T. Crown Road forms the upright of the T and leads to St Dennis.

There is a Methodist Chapel, built in 1875 and a Primary School, now an Academy, built in 1893, with several modern additions. There is no mains drainage and all properties are reliant on either septic tanks or cess pits, there is also no access to mains gas supply.

Local Style

The housing provision on North Road consists of a mix of small traditional clay workers cottages, bungalows and 2 small new housing developments, both of these developments are ongoing. There is also a small farm/small holding.

Park Road consists of more traditional cottages and the entrance to the recreation ground

There is a large Recreation Area which belongs and is the responsibility of the Village. This consists of a football field, a field with play equipment for children and exercise equipment suitable for adults. There is also a building for storage.

Crown Road has mostly bungalow dwellings along with a few older cottages. There is also an equestrian centre operating at the far end of the road.

Setting and Skyline

Whitemoor is situated in the clay mining area and is 728ft above sea level it is bounded by clay workings and sand tips. Some of these are now beginning to green over and return to nature. However if required could be reopened as working pits. The village has green space around it used as farm land and open uncultivated space with some footpaths. As the village is high up there are some views but these are obscured in some places by tips and burrows from the clay workings.

Transport.

Whitemoor is served by 2 bus routes the 21 service is hourly and connects to St Austell and Newquay. Service 22 runs to Truro and runs 3 times in the morning and 2 Xs in the afternoon; both of these services terminate at 1900hrs. There is no train service in Whitemoor and our nearest stations are Roche (infrequent local service) or St Austell for main line trains.

Amenities.

We have a Primary School with a Nursery and a Chapel with a small Sunday School room. There has been no Shop or Post Office for 15 years and there has never been a Public House.

The village would like to see use made of redundant buildings, and converting them for use as housing. This would preclude the need for new housing being built on greenfield sites.

Businesses.

There is a Tyre Service/MOT Facility, an Equestrian Centre and a small Motor Cycle business, other than this there are several one-man concerns i.e. Painters and Decorators, Plumber, Electrical Engineer, Gas Technician, General Builder etc. The main employer has always been Imerys China Clays.