Appendix 6

Ways that Waringstown might be improved

Bodies/organisations that conduct musical 'demonstrations' for political or religious reasons should pay a substantial fee for policing and be restricted to the time they are permitted to interrupt access + no rural transport

Better / safer parking on main street (badly parked cars at the chip shop make the road more narrow at a dangerous bend) The derelict pub makes the main street feel run down. This and other buildings could benefit from some attention.

Buildings tidied up. Dog fouling stopped. Footpaths made safer to walk on. Better range of shops (like Moira). Traffic calming.

Uncompleted housing developments need to be tidied up and make more presentable eg Dunkirk Road site.

Public toilets

A nursery school facility

The Council need to enforce litter wardens and dog foul wardens. The village is very scruffy and untidy. The common ground beside the butchers is a mess. It should be restored to the meadow it was before Mr Harnet wrecked it so we can all enjoy it. Parents need to keep a closer eye on children hanging around the village. The police can't take much action against the youths hanging around where they shouldn't be.

Stop dog fouling

Agree with present owners of Waring House for part use of premises and grounds.

Restart Waringstown in Bloom

Rundown properties refurbished. Pavements fixed.

A fund should be set up for local people to jointly own & run the village inn, (Heart of village). Local people encouraged by Council to set business up. Businesses in W'town need sold outside W'town eg Banbridge Leader, Ulster Gazette.

Encourage community spirit

Renovation and upgrade of the dwellings along the main road and centre of Waringstown. More shop space and services and a doctor's surgery that opens for more than 2 hours a day.

Main Street particularly 'Village Inn' premises now empty and boarded up. Brings Main Street down. That area very grim looking.

Town 'green', nicely laid out, walk area, children's playing facilities (safety). A 'VILLAGE GREEN' - helps Community Spirit - let us never forget the kind elderly people - life needs them!

Community Centre. Park. Bowling green.

Better park / Play areas & some green space to walk / sit away from traffic / Places for teens

Village Inn sold & refurbished it is an eyesore.

Get back the green

We need to address anti-social behaviour somehow both by young people & anti-social neighbours. I could concentrate on improving the village at the moment as I am stressed by being in my own home.

Renovate the Village Pub. Renovate /?build asap where the old docs house was. Also sort out the land where the old petrol station was knocked down.

Central meeting area apart from cafes & pub - somewhere with classes and activities. Traffic calming in centre of village.

When I first moved in (2004) Waringstown village was beautifully covered in flower baskets etc. Although this has been stopped through lack of volunteers - it would be a good idea to reinstate.

More sporting facilities.

Making all feel part of rather than blow ins as the old saying goes.

Maintenance of Public Flower displays - (Best Kept Village?) Project work to maintain Public Areas would allow people to meet and promote community spirit.

Better services ie. shops, clubs, facilities. Making sure anti-social behaviour doesn't get out of control. More church interaction in the community.

We see signs to say it was previously awarded with 'Best Kept Village/ Small Town' .. Could it potentially have more gardening done & brightened up a little?

A community hall would be helpful / the 'Village Inn' either sold or knocked down for it is an 'eye sore'. A playgroup for there is nothing for young children & this could be a meeting place for young mothers. On the Dunkirk Road there is a building site & it too is an eyesore.

Waringstown in Bloom re-started

Encourage more business to the village. The village centre at the Planters was an excellent plan By trying to deal with litter and restoring the floral baskets and giving the village a more (sunnier?) look with hanging baskets etc.

Could be cleaned more often. More bins in the village.

Teams from local Council and teams of volunteers of all ages and abilities, working together to improve the look of the village, as in previous years when awards were won thereby increasing the sense of community spirit. The general appearance of Waringstown has steadily deteriorated over the last couple of years. Derelict buildings make the village very untidy.

Provide public toilets in at least one or 2 areas.

From one end of road at Waringstown sign coming from Lurgan to top at Clanconnell Gardens end there is not 1 public loo - to elderly folk out walking this amenity is lacking and leaves folk stressed.

Village Community Centre.

Waringstown House, which does feature in the history of the village, could possibly have one or two open days per year.

Could benefit from village bakery. Larger cafe facilities for people to meet regularly.

Our very own doctor's surgery not shared with Donacloney.

Please tidy up litter. 'Common Area' very untidy and uninviting. Unused / damaged buildings in village are unattractive and attract very rowdy youth. Village used to be colourful, tidy & inviting. No longer the case, unfortunately. Improve lighting on ways in / out of village please (for walkers).

Play park for children

Less new building. Less rented properties.

Renovate second pub so more choice available

Village needs a community heart - whether in the old library / lodge, better access to existing halls in both Primary (School) and churches (especially Presbyterian) and encourage both churches to engage with community and not just coffee/ tea or youth groups, but activities for people to meet and network. Any using wheel chairs or mobility scooters there is absolutely no access on or off the footpaths for people who need to use these aids.

Main Street needs a 'facelift'.

Bring back the flower arrangements in summer instead of putting back glass to broken phone boxes leave bare and use money for supplying the flowers or anything else of use. A way of stopping cars speeding out of NISA. Have the trees' branches cut back on all footpaths as I have walked into them and near (ly put) out an eye a few times. Get Council to do more inspecting around the council estates for bottles and rubbish and clean front of Main Street houses now and again. Instead of the lorry coming out early Sunday disturbing people when there is no rubbish worth that on the road. The money saved on this could go to cleaning areas that need it.

1 x all weather pitch.

Public toilets. Play park for children. Dog fouling is getting worse.

Community Centre. New play park.

It's a pity that the flower beds etc are no longer maintained by the local people. Was definitely better cared for when the villagers did it themselves.

Greater interest / focus from the Government, including funding, directed towards children's facilities & general public facilities. Little funding presently given.

Village Inn Pub - Even if some organisation could tidy this up then advertise paintings or sculptures etc. Good play facilities are needed and a non-church controlled facility for young people to meet up in. My children are grown up now but there was nowhere like this for them when they were younger.

Cleaned up more. More Youth Workers.

With the recent influx of more housing in Waringstown there is a need for a large play area for children.

Deal with litter problem. Tidy or require owners of derelict buildings (Village Inn) and areas (old Mace shop /

station area) to clean up and beautify their

No more building.

There are a lot of young families in the area. We don't have kids @ present but lack of childcare, parks & preschool education places does concern us @ present. There is no central point of information in the village. We would like more restaurants nearby & a gym would be fantastic. Is there anywhere in Waringstown for yoga / fitness classes?

Print and circulate a magazine of village activities where anyone can attend. I often see lots of cars and activities around the church hall and so forth and don't have a clue what they are about.

Make parents accountable for their children's actions in the street. Part-time CCTV. Less band parades. Information notice board.

Police Station.

Roads need improved immediately.

An all-weather sports pitch for children's use.

A park with a play area and a nursery.

Community hall for sports activities / social activities eg yoga // palates.

Is there a village 'trail' for the school children? Also a safe play area for them and older young folk.

Toilets needed. A park for walking in away from the noise of Main Road traffic.

Neighbourhood police patrols to make everyone feel safe. Village Centre (Mace etc) is a great addition to the area.

Remove dog foul from paths. Better play park for young children. Nursery unit at Primary School.

More bins on streets.

Enforcement of current planning legislation inc. Regional Development Strategy. The village has been 'vandalised' by Planners who are negligent, incompetent or operating to the benefit of minority interests.

Waringstown needs a play park and a school nursery.

Footpaths are never cleaned. Weeds grow along footpaths. Grassy areas on footpaths should be replaced by tarmac as they are always very untidy. Area on Cambrai Heights the gratings on the roads are too high leaving large areas of water and local people are being soaked every time a car goes by.

I would like to see a group similar to 'Waringstown in Bloom' who would keep the village to a good standard - perhaps resident(s) could contribute annually in order to employ this group rather than volunteers.

A toilet.

More shops, services etc. eg row of premises beside Rigmarole, filled by giving preferential rates to business start-ups with connections to the village.

Have football facilities. Have gardens, pleasure walks, etc.

More dog poo bins - streets are sometimes covered on poo - difficult if you have young children & pushing a pram. Make it safer - traffic calming measures coming down hill from Lurgan at Jet garage - too many vehicles speeding.

Higher police presence to eradicate drugs & drink problems. More resources to be made available to Neighbourhood Watch scheme.

We need a central meeting place or shared space.

Tidy Northern Ireland - Big Spring Clean Week 8th - 17th April 2011 www.tidynorthernireland.org / big-spring-clean

Would be fantastic to see Warings House open to the public. Especially the grounds as a place to go walking.

The Main Street area, around the Village Inn is an eyesore and should be renovated / restored.

Community Centre for sports activities.

A good play park for children.

Needs community centre, needs a roundabout located at bottom of Mill Hill.

Empty shops and bar sorted out.

A village centre rather like the one at Maghabery with above & meeting rooms etc.

Provision of footpaths on main rural roads eg. Clare Moss and Dunkirk Roads and Mill Hill (to Dromore Road junction).

More floral beds as 'Waringstown in Bloom' did in the past.

Move doctor surgery to a more ample site. Make use of empty shops / buildings on Main Street. Improve existing play area off Mill Hill.

Community policing or more visible policing, work to encourage the return of Best Kept Award. Most households are too busy to get manually involved (including mine) but maybe a trawl around households to see who would manually or financially get involved.

No focal point.

Start up 'Waringstown in Bloom' again. Village has fallen badly in display, neatness and hygiene over the last years.

Public park as Churchill park is isolated and removed.

The main feature in Waringstown must be Waring House Yet it is almost totally obscured by a row of conifers along its perimeter to the footpath ... Surely they should be removed so that both villages and visitors could actually 'see' the big house.

Derelict buildings taken over a renovated in viable commercial premises. This is a hard question to fully answer as I am unaware of the resources available. Potholes on Dunkirk Road fixed. What happened to the planned new doctor's surgery!

Main Street shabby with boarded buildings.

I would love to see land behind butchers made into a lovely park / play park! A big project but doable!! Would tie in with above for visitors and business for the traders with visitors too!

Regular street cleaning. Return of Waringstown in Bloom (or something similar) - I feel this really put W/town on the map. Have it's own health centre and health support groups & Health promotion.

Improve play park.

At times there is traffic congestion at junction of Mill Hill and Main Road. Flower committee did a great job before they were disbanded.

Yes. The field (Potters) that was left by Mrs Waring should be used as a community centre. For tennis court, bowls, putting green. For all religions and the youth of the village.

Encourage active support for local cricket tea by giving incentives to attend. le bar at the club and activities to encourage family day out.

There are a lot of young children in the village - a better park / play area would be ideal, also a larger coffee shop.

The village definitely needs a nursery unit @ the local school as access to other pre-school places are sometimes not given to Waringstown children or else residents are having to travel to Lurgan every day.

A centre providing access to information, sports & heritage.

Its quite fragmented with either the churches or the Planters being the main focal point. The development of a community hall under an umbrella of civic development with buy-in from key stakeholders may act as a catalyst to improving the community interaction and feel without leaning towards one political persuasion.

More public events like the vintage rally / Best kept village competition / a village fair.

Get a dog warden to patrol area around estates, to stop dog barking.

Notice board i the village to let people know what's going on.

Community hall & sporting facilities.

Financial assistance by the Craigavon Borough Council to existing clubs.

Some more shops. Home bakery.

If community funding were available & the Presbyterian Church willing, Rigmarole cafe's hours could be extended so that older people would have somewhere to meet & if the cafe were open late on a Friday & Saturday night then the young people would have somewhere to go.

Dog fouling addressed. Pressure on owners of old Village Inn to tidy it up.

Village requires a major face-lift

More police foot patrols in the village at weekends.

Encourage people to become actively involved in WCDA, as soon as possible.

Weekly get together ie. coffee mornings, tea dance, or other suggestions for day time contact with other people particularly older members who are cautious about night time activities.