As part of envisioning the village we want in the future, a brainstorming session was done. In answer to "What do we want?" the following words being contributed:

Prosperous Sustainable Facilities Thriving Resourceful Transport

United Community Spirit Communications

Tidy Green Progressive with clear vision

Visible Caring Accepting Safe Open Vibrant

Peaceful Fun Low carbon footprint

In answer to "What don't we want?" the following words were used:

Twee Exclusive No young people Neglected

Unsafe Like Stambourne

School-less Pub-less Shop-less Bus-less

Church-less

Vantage Vision

Toppesfield and Gainsford End aspires to be a peaceful, safe, open, inclusive, and united community living in an attractive, green rural environment. We will work towards a sustainable, prosperous, progressive, balanced population, using comprehensive facilities open to all. There will be good connections with the outside world, but there will be a trend towards self-sufficiency with resourceful residents, caring and sharing, and having fun within a thriving community spirit.