

Businesses and residents report that they are concerned about maintaining and upgrading the appearance of the Village. Currently there is no clear shared agreement about which features are important and even which areas to focus on. People appreciate the floral decorations in the summer.

Many respondents are concerned about the condition of the station buildings, which many regarded as a focal point. Currently the central area of the buildings are vandalised and windows are boarded up. Both Shelve Hill shopping parade and the High Street shops have been upgraded recently under the Borough Council's Village Enhancements Scheme. Roads and pavements have been repaired or resurfaced and street furniture replaced under the programme.

The 18th century Tadworth Post mill sited on the edge of the village is unused currently and has been designated as in need of repair. Local conservationists have worked with the Council to gain funding to undertake works.

It is suggested that the Village does not promote itself enough, particularly at the Shelve Hill end of the village with requests for flowers and signs.

■ Background

There are:

- At least three separate shopping areas
- Variety of styles and designs of premises and accommodation
- Pubs, restaurants and some village halls are located on the edge of the Village
- People want to include common land into village area to emphasise the importance of open space



■ Actions

The provision of:

- Village name signs
- Street furniture or unifying style for the different areas. Something that is Tadworth. Street art - a history of the area
- Work with the owners of the station buildings to improve their appearance
- New notice boards
- Action taken to ensure repair of the Post Mill

- Village in Bloom? (Horticultural Society) Unified style for planters etc. Sponsorship of flowerbeds. Replanting of street trees

Work with local schools and uniformed youth groups

- **Lead/Responsible Agency:**
 - Surrey County Council (SCC)
 - Reigate & Banstead Borough Council
- **Resources:**
 - Potential spends on furniture and equipment
 - Sponsorship from local businesses
 - Village fund raising?
 - Mill owner
- **Timescale:**
 - Short term
- **Outcome Measuring/Reporting:** ● Improvements to Village appearance
- **Local Community : What you can do**
 - Become involved in improving the area through the 'Love Where You Live' initiative run by Reigate & Banstead Borough Council. Details are available at www.reigate-banstead.gov.uk

