

## South Norfolk District

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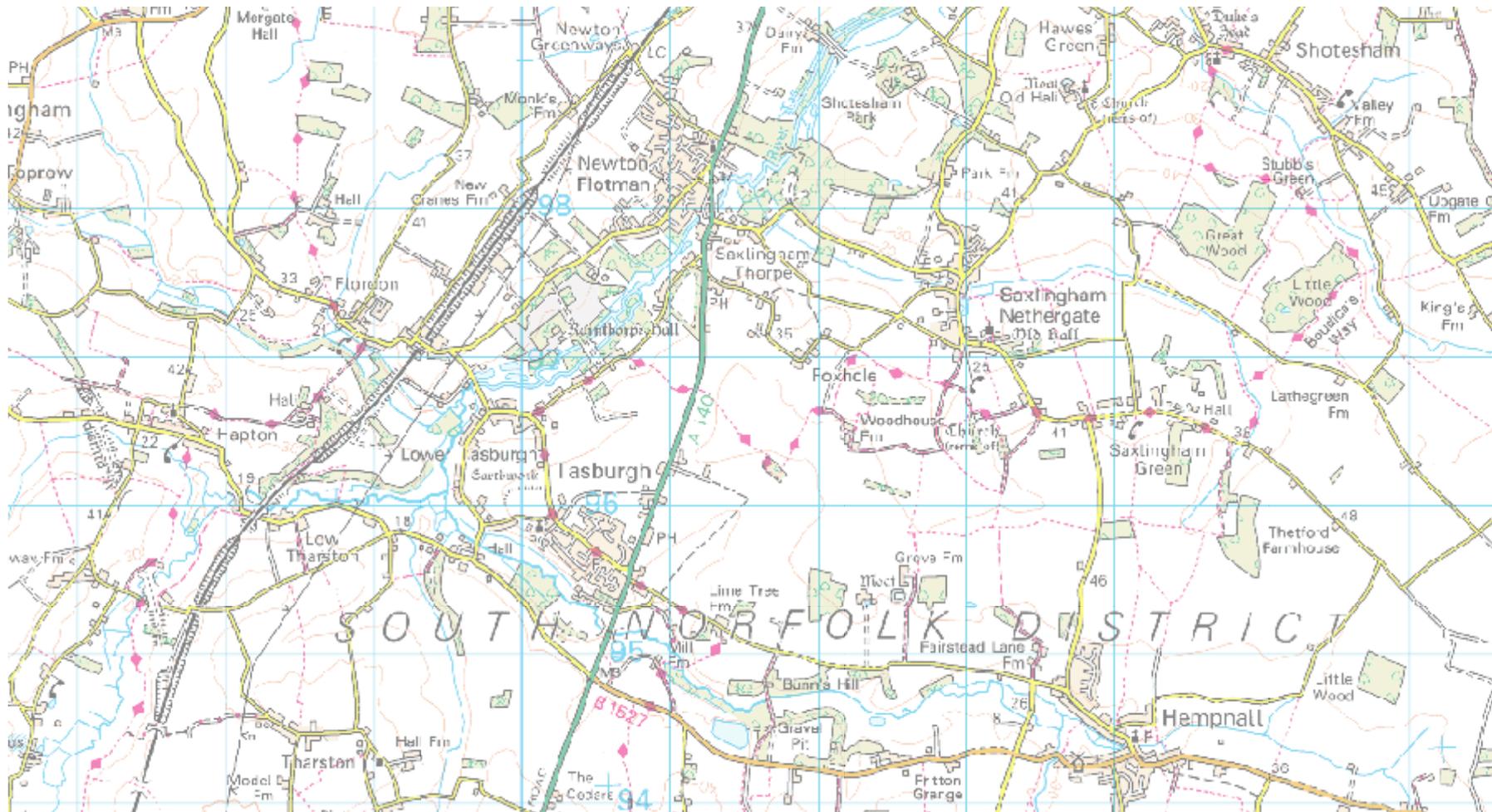
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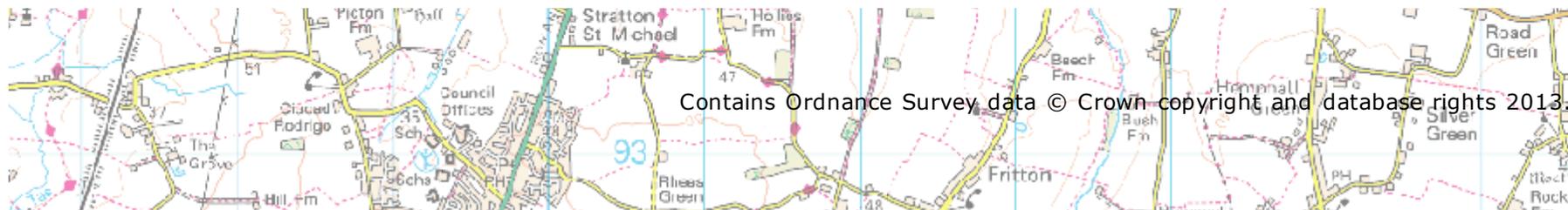
**E-mail:** [REDACTED]

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**Organisation Name:** Tharston Residents

### Feature Annotations



**Map Features:**

Annotation 1:

Annotation 4:

**Comment text:**

Tharston & Hapton has been a combined parish council for more than 40 years. During this period Tharston has grown significantly in houses and population (the Taylor Wimpey residential developments plus Tharston Industrial area) and a combined PC no longer represents the requirements of the two villages. Tharston needs to integrate more with the community facilities of Long Stratton - Hapton wants to remain a Rural Village. The current Tharston & Hapton Parish Council will not consider a separation allowing them to be co-joined onto Fornsett or Tasburgh - Villages of a similar type. Residents of Tharston want a change so that they can, with consultation of all residents, plan the changes necessary to integrate more with Long Stratton. T & HPC, despite many presentations during the allowed Public Participation 15 minute period, will not and have not agreed to produce a Village Plan. They continue to make "Closed Door" decisions which are direct conflict with Tharston resident ideas and requirements. T & H PC purchased the old Tharston School via a mortgage instead of renting it via a peppercorn rent offered by the Dioceses, but then demolished it much against the Tharston Village residents who wanted to renovate the building and create a community centre. This leaves us with no Village Hall since the PC cannot raise money to build a new one. We, the precept payers, are left with nothing but a mortgage to pay off. This is after 15 years of talking. Unfortunately Tharston as a community is dying because of the influence of Hapton councillors resistance to Tharston resident progressive ideas. We - Tharston - need to move forward - we need to separate from Hapton so that our new PC can help build a community village for our future generations. Unfortunately our older progressive resident voices are not heard and we cannot change anything, so we need/request your help/understanding ( I am speaking on behalf of 50+ residents) to help us develop our village.

**Uploaded Documents:**

None Uploaded