

# Save The Red Lion, Sutton Community Interest Survey



The Red Lion in Sutton on the A519 has been purchased by Vanbrugh Construction Ltd who have told residents that they plan to convert the pub to a house and build housing on the remaining land. This is despite the fact that the previous owner, Admiral Taverns, sold the Red Lion as a commercial pub with no planning rights. Prior to the Red Lion's unexpected closure by Admiral Taverns it was a thriving, well used pub.

The pub and site are listed as an Asset of Community Value (ACV) which means that its use has recently been or is presently used to further the social well-being and interests of the local **community** and could continue to do so in the future. It is thereby subject to additional protection from [development\[1\]](#) under the [Localism Act 2011](#).

For most small villages and surrounding areas a pub is a vital service; it is a meeting place, communication centre and an important lynchpin of village life. Much of the appeal of our village rests on its sense of community and the amenities within it. It is the reason many people have moved here and remain here.

Another important consideration is the impact on local house prices. There is significant evidence to suggest that property values can decrease quite significantly in the absence of a good local pub, especially in rural areas.

This does not mean, however, that the new owners won't be able to overturn the ACV and carry through their plans. If we wish to see our beautiful pub re-open and remain as an asset to the local and surrounding community **we will need evidence proving the Red Lion was not only loved, but well used so please, please fill out the following online survey offering your support to help save this historic village pub:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/5CRC2FZ>



For a paper copy of the questionnaire please contact: David Alder - Sutton House Farm, Lower Sutton, TF10 8DE or email [redliontf108dq@gmail.com](mailto:redliontf108dq@gmail.com)

If you are happy to share photos showing you using the Red Lion please email them to at [redliontf108dq@gmail.com](mailto:redliontf108dq@gmail.com) or share on the Red Lion Sutton FaceBook

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COMPLETE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE  
SAVE THE RED LION COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP