

Summary of feedback from Gringley-on-the-Hill

Future Development Questionnaires

Overall

Of the 270 questionnaires that were delivered to the households in Gringley-on-the-Hill, 88 were returned, giving a response rate for the village of **32.59%**.

1. Open Market Housing

Numbers of new houses

Respondents were asked to indicate the future levels of growth they would like to see in their village. These are the answers received:

| Answer | Number of respondents | % of respondents |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Only at detention centre | 50 | 56.8% |
| 0-10 houses | 16 | 18.2% |
| 10-20 houses | 8 | 9.1% |
| 20-30 houses | 4 | 4.5% |
| 20-40 houses | 1 | 1.1% |
| 30-40 houses | 2 | 2.3% |
| 40+ houses | 3 | 3.4% |
| No answer given | 4 | 4.5% |
| Total | 88 | 100% |

Taking into consideration all answers, the average (mean) number of new houses that residents wanted in their village was **8.1 houses**. However, the most common answer given was people wanted **only the houses at the detention centre**.

Types and size of new houses

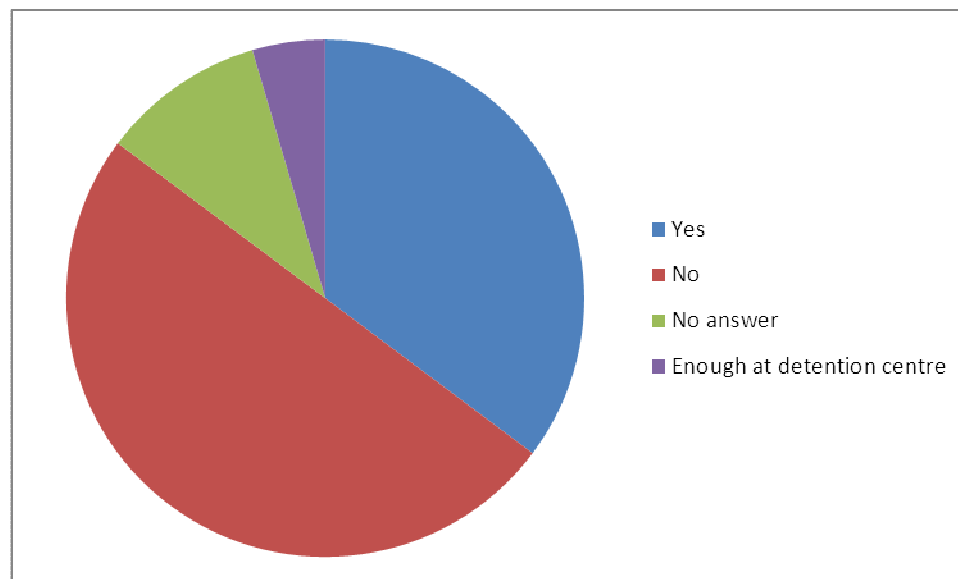
Respondents were asked to mark down which type of housing they believed the village needed in the future. The answer was multiple choice and people were not limited to only providing one answer. The results are shown below:

| Answer | 1 bedroom | 2 bedrooms | 3 bedrooms | 4 bedrooms | 5 bedrooms | Total |
|---------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------|
| Detached | 1 | 7 | 14 | 13 | 4 | 39 |
| Semi detached | 2 | 12 | 18 | 2 | | 34 |
| Bungalow | | 12 | 11 | | | 23 |
| Terraced | 1 | 4 | 2 | | | 7 |
| Flats | 2 | 1 | | | | 3 |
| Total | 6 | 36 | 45 | 15 | 4 | 106 |

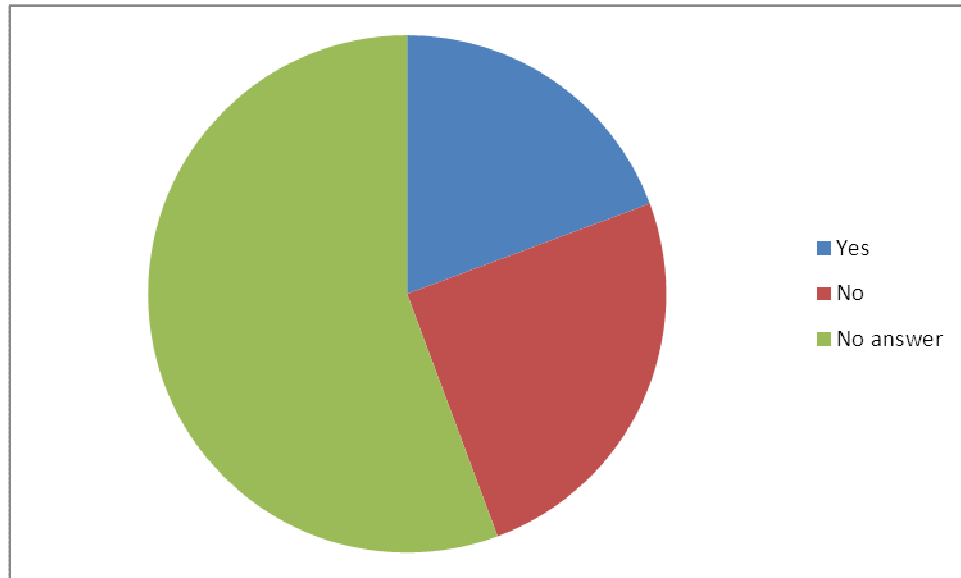
42.4% of respondents came back favouring **3 bed properties** (largely centred on detached properties, semi-detached properties and bungalows). **2 bed semi-detached** properties were also a popular answer (33.9 % of answers were 2 bed semis). **Flats** were the least popular option with only 2.8% of respondents favouring them.

2. Affordable Housing

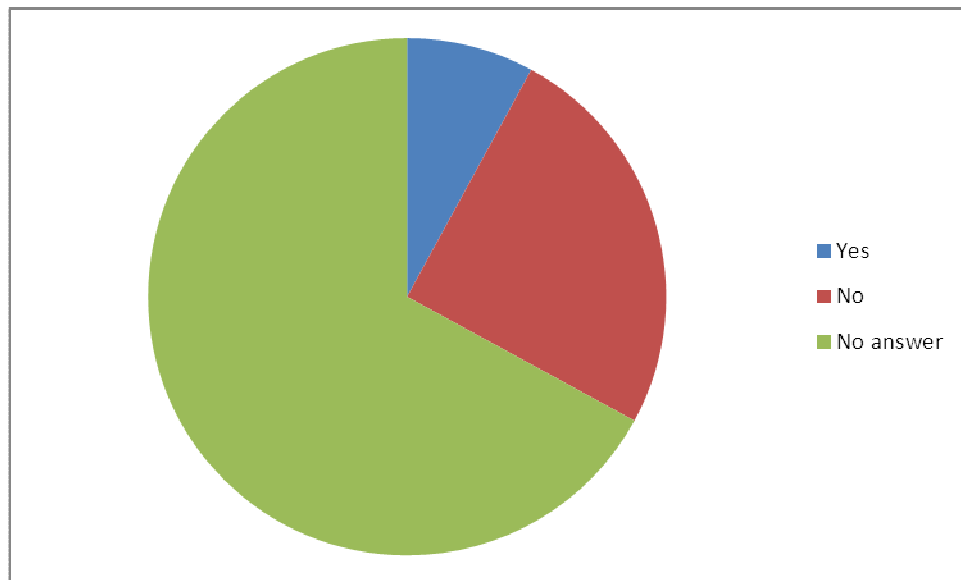
Respondents were asked to give a 'yes' or 'no' answer on whether there is a need for affordable housing in the area. The responses were as follows:



Respondents were also asked if they knew of anyone who would need affordable housing. The results are as follows:



When asked if affordable housing should be only the form of development within the village the results were as follows:



Respondents were then asked to mark down which type of *affordable* housing they believed the village needed in the future. The answer was multiple choice and people were not limited to only providing one answer. The results are shown below:

| Answer | 1 bedroom | 2 bedrooms | 3 bedrooms | 4 bedrooms | 5 bedrooms | Total |
|---------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------|
| Detached | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | | 7 |
| Semi detached | 3 | 13 | 11 | | | 27 |
| Bungalow | | 4 | 5 | | | 9 |
| Terraced | 2 | 9 | 2 | | | 13 |
| Flats | | | | | | 0 |
| Total | 6 | 28 | 20 | 2 | 0 | 56 |

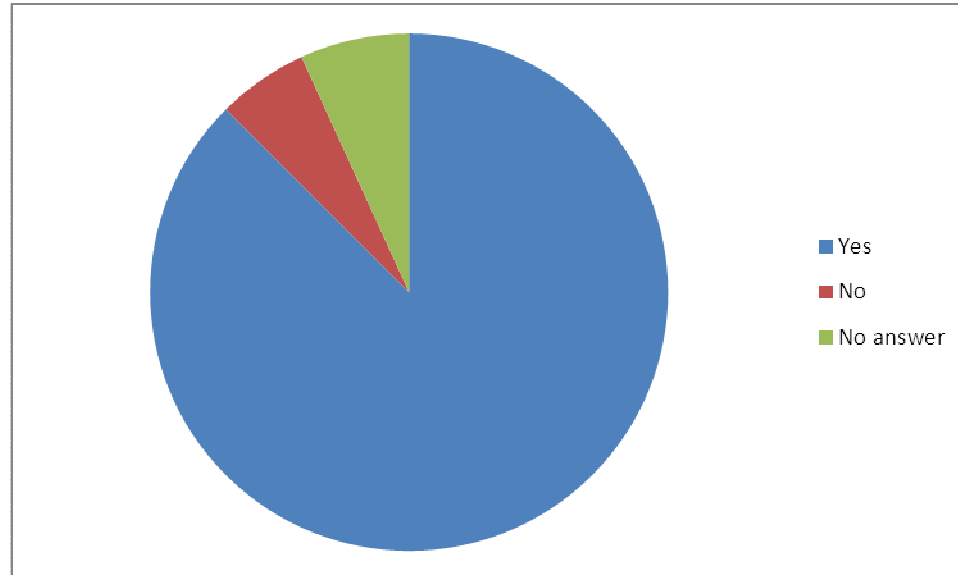
Respondents were asked if they believed there should be any specialist types of housing required in the village. The answers are as follows:

| Answer | Number of respondents | % of respondents ¹ |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Old Persons Sheltered Accommodation | 32 | 82% |
| Old Persons Residential Homes | 7 | 18% |
| Total | 39 | 100% |

¹ This is the percentage of people who responded to the question in relation to those who returned the questionnaire (90 returned) and not in relation to those who responded to this question.

3. Location of New Development

Respondents were asked whether the Council should prioritise brownfield land for new development. The responses were as follows:



Respondents were asked what scale of future housing developments would be most appropriate and were given three options. Respondents were able to give multiple answers and the results are shown below:

| Answer | Number of respondents | % of respondents |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Outside development boundary | 16 | 23.2% |
| Small extensions | 49 | 71.0% |
| Large extensions | 4 | 5.8% |
| Total responses | 69 | 100% |

A further respondent answered that only brownfield sites within development boundaries should be considered (not including garden land).

The opportunity was then given to submit sites to be considered for housing in the next review of the SHLAA. Four sites were proposed, of which three of these were sites that had not been previously considered.

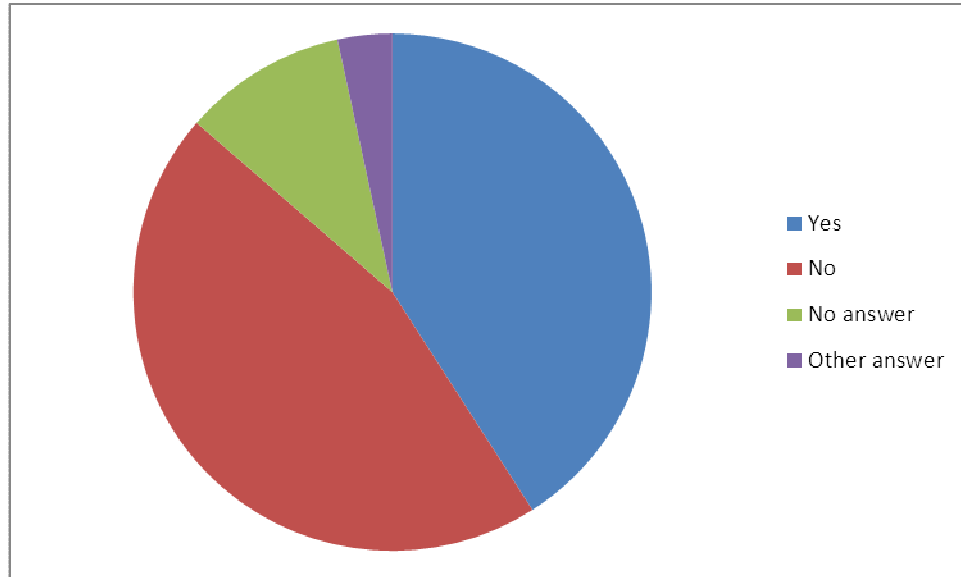
4. Village facilities

Respondents were asked to comment on the additional facilities would they like to see in the village (secured through planning obligations or CIL) if new housing sites were allocated. The results were as follows:

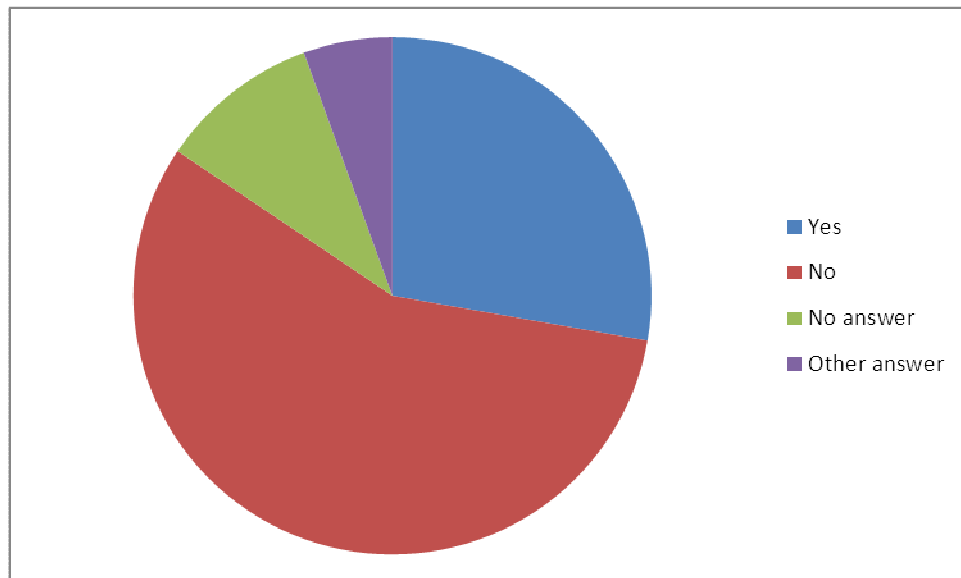
| Answer | Number of respondents | % of respondents |
|--|-----------------------|------------------|
| Village hall/community centre | 29 | 33.0% |
| New school or more places at existing school | 12 | 13.6% |
| Sports pitch | 6 | 6.8% |
| Play area | 8 | 9.1% |
| Other | | |
| - Shop | 18 | 20.5% |
| - Post office | 6 | 6.8% |
| - Better phone and broadband access | 3 | 3.4% |
| - Swimming pool | 1 | 1.1% |
| - Tennis courts | 1 | 1.1% |
| - Badminton hall | 1 | 1.1% |
| - Allotments | 1 | 1.1% |
| - Larger school hall | 1 | 1.1% |
| - Library | 1 | 1.1% |
| Total number of respondents who answered this question | 88 | 100% |

5. Renewable Energy

Respondents were asked whether they believed there to be a need for the development of localised renewable/low carbon energy facilities. The results were as follows:



Respondents were asked whether there was a need for large-scale renewable/low carbon energy facilities within their area of the District. The results were as follows:



6. Local Distinctiveness

This question was aimed at finding out what local characteristics residents felt were special. The results were as follows:

- Unspoilt rural village
- Open fields and areas in the village
- Peaceful with low crime rates
- Historical core of the village protected by conservation area status
- Beacon area is important within the village
- The mixed housing, narrow roads and trees.
- The style and character of the properties (i.e. cottage style houses, sash windows, reclaimed building materials have been used on new builds)
- Its little streets, back alleys, cross monument at the top of Cross Hill, park and its overall peace and tranquillity.

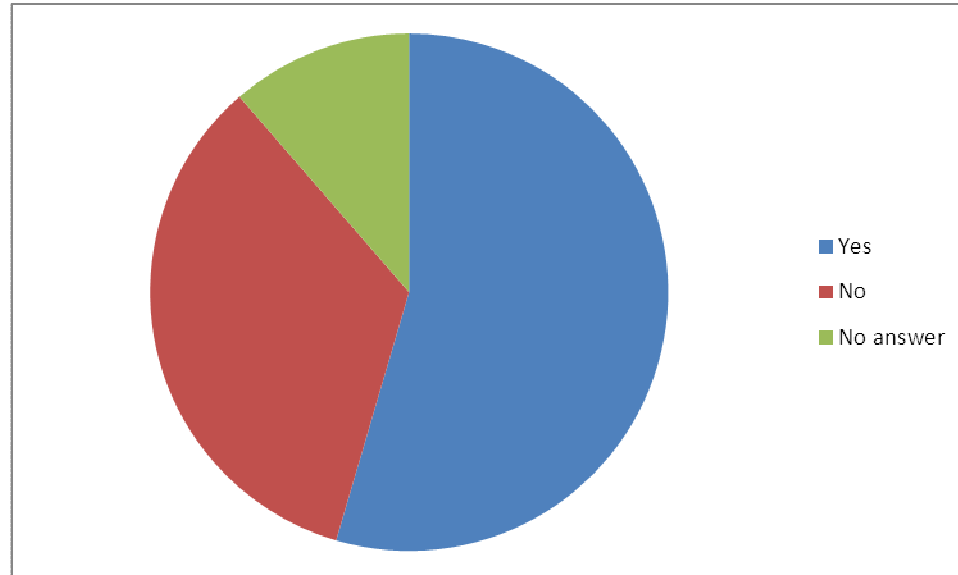
Respondents were asked what community assets they would like to see protected from future development or changes of use. The remaining responses identified the following as potential community assets:

| Potential assets identified | Number of respondents | % of respondents ² |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Football pitch/playing fields | 48 | 27.0% |
| Public house | 46 | 25.8% |
| Village hall | 32 | 18.0% |
| Playground/area | 17 | 9.7% |
| Fairpiece | 5 | 2.8% |
| School | 5 | 2.8% |
| Protected open space | 4 | 2.2% |
| Church | 4 | 2.2% |
| Agricultural fields | 3 | 1.7% |
| School playing fields | 3 | 1.7% |
| Beacon Hill | 2 | 1.1% |
| Old Reading Room | 2 | 1.1% |
| Cricket pitch | 1 | 0.6% |
| Allotments | 1 | 0.6% |
| Methodist chapel | 1 | 0.6% |
| Recreational ground | 1 | 0.6% |
| Canalside | 1 | 0.6% |
| Post office | 1 | 0.6% |
| Village green | 1 | 0.6% |
| Total respondents | 178 | 100% |

² This is the percentage of people who responded to the question in relation to those who returned the questionnaire (90 returned) and not in relation to those who responded to this question.

Local Infrastructure and Utilities

Respondents were asked if they believed there were problems with the infrastructure and utilities within their village. The results were as follows:



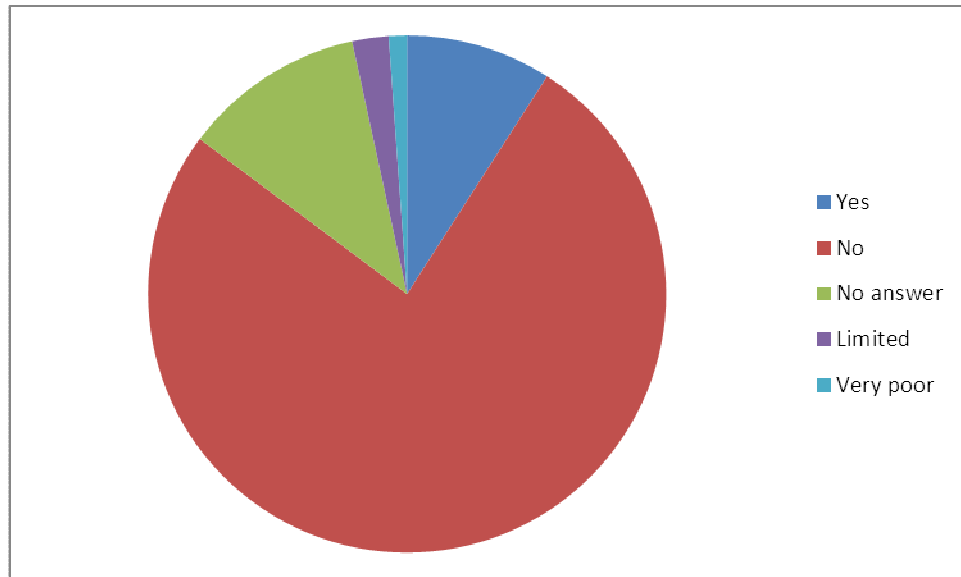
Respondents were then asked to expand on the specific problems and to provide details on the locations. These were summarised and the main issues are detailed below (in order of popularity):

- No access to mains gas (31 respondents)
- Broadband and BT exchange related problems (22 respondents)
- Sewerage/drainage system capacity problems were reported by 11 respondents, of which these areas were identified specifically:
 - Horsewells (1 respondent)
 - Middlebridge (1 respondent)
 - Lower Cross Hill (1 respondent)
- Poor electricity supply/frequent power cuts (11 respondents)
- Road capacity problems (7 respondents)
- School capacity (3 respondents)
- Narrow roads (3 respondents)
- Low water pressure (2 respondents)

- Inadequate bus service (2 respondents)
- Poor mobile phone reception (2 respondents)
- No shop and post office facilities (2 respondents)
- Road surface improvements (1 respondent)
- Poor access (1 respondent)
- Cycle tracks need improving (1 respondent)

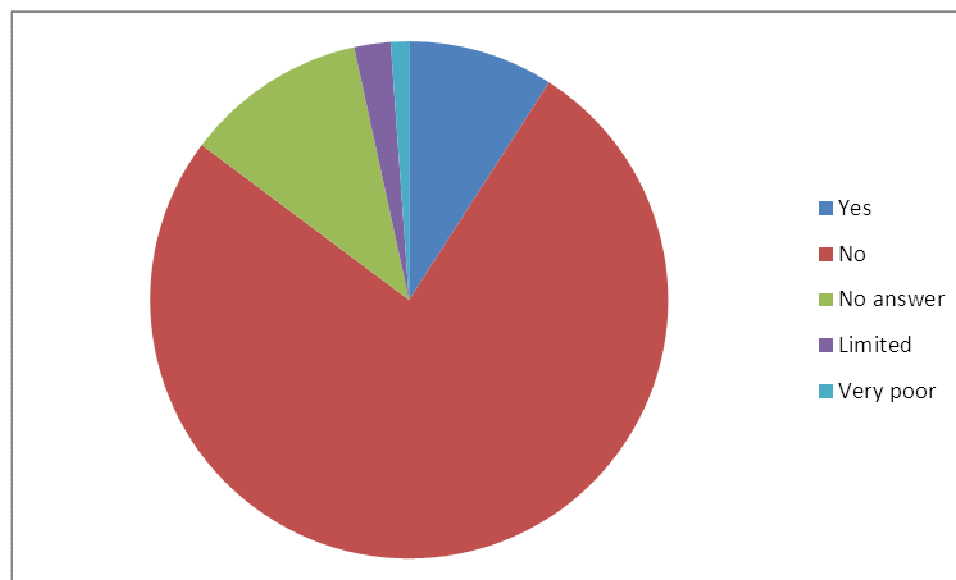
7. Employment opportunities

Residents were asked if the area provided sufficient employment opportunities. The results were as follows:



There was then the opportunity to expand on the type of employment opportunities within the village. The responses included working as a tradesmen, plumber, electrician, builder or within the following workplaces: building maintenance, hairdresser, farms, nursing home, public house, doctors surgery and pharmacy. There are also further local employment opportunities provided within short range such as Gainsborough, Retford and Bawtry.

Respondents were then asked if the area needed more local employment opportunities. The results were as follows:



There was then the opportunity to expand on the type of employment opportunities within the village. The responses mentioned the need for the broadband access to be greatly improved in order to attract more businesses and allow people to work from home. Further opportunities also included working in a café, shop, crèches, play groups for toddlers, workshops or by providing apprenticeships for building students etc.

8. Other opportunities

Respondents were asked what other types of development they would support within their village if someone were to apply for it. The responses were as follows:

- Shop and post office (69 respondents)
- Public house (7 respondents)
- Restaurant (4 respondents)
- Tea room/café (3 respondents)
- Library (2 respondents)

Small offices, garden centre, youth services, bus services, take away, nursery, hairdressers, butchers, petrol station and hotel all have been indicated once in the responses from Gringley on the Hill.

A further four respondents stated that there would not support any new development of this nature. Two other respondents stated that they were uncertain over the need and viability of a shop.

9. Further comments

There was then the opportunity for respondents to draw our attention to any other matters. The responses that were received are as follows:

- No shopping facilities within the village
- Do not require any further affordable housing as there are to be provided as part of the detention centre.
- New developments should be in keeping with the character of the village
- Referred to the infrastructure problems again.
- Concerns over the roads and pavements improvements/works and what interaction there is between NCC and BDC.
- Poor bus service to Doncaster
- Should Gringley see further growth than the 68 at the detention centre site?
- Traffic calming and more one way streets should be considered
- Parking provision within the village
- Houses take a while to sell in the village
- Should consider the new houses that are being built within the village at the former detention centre.