

Summary of feedback from Gamston Future Development Questionnaires

Overall

Of the 109 questionnaires that were delivered to the households in Gamston, 22 were returned, giving a response rate for the village of **20.18%**.

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
No new housing	14	63.6%
0-10 houses	6	27.3%
10-20 houses	1	4.5%
20-30 new houses	1	4.5%
30-40 houses	0	0.0%
40+ houses	0	0.0%
No answer given	0	0.0%
Total	22	100%

Taking into consideration all answers, the average (mean) number of new houses that residents wanted in their village was **5.0 houses**. However, the most common answer given was **no new housing**.

Types and size of new houses

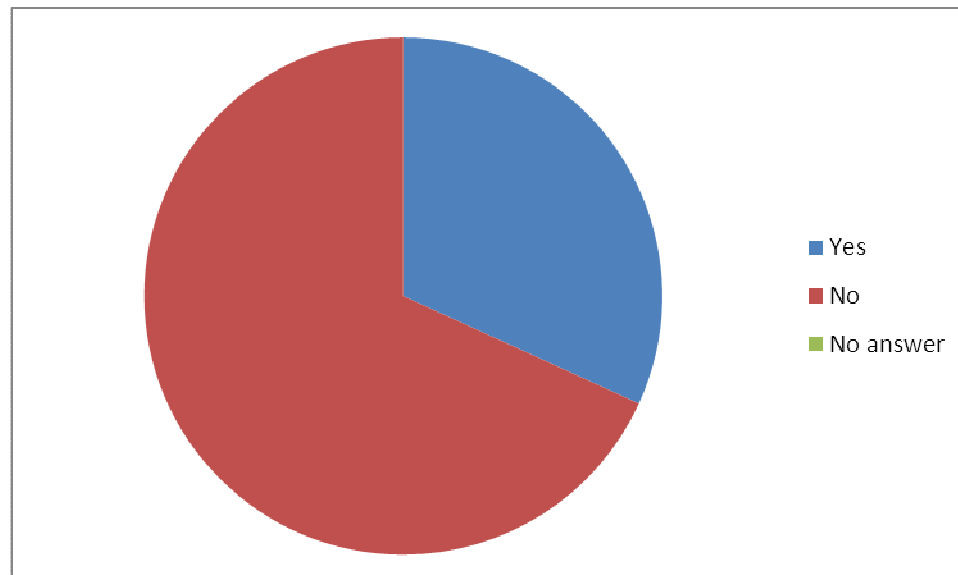
Respondents were asked to mark down which type of housing they believed the village needed in the future. The answer was multiple choice and people were not limited to only providing one answer. The results are shown below:

Answer	1 bedroom	2 bedrooms	3 bedrooms	4 bedrooms	5 bedrooms	Total
Detached		1	5	5	1	12
Semi detached		2	2	1		5
Bungalow		2	1			3
Terraced						
Flats						
Total	0	5	8	6	1	20

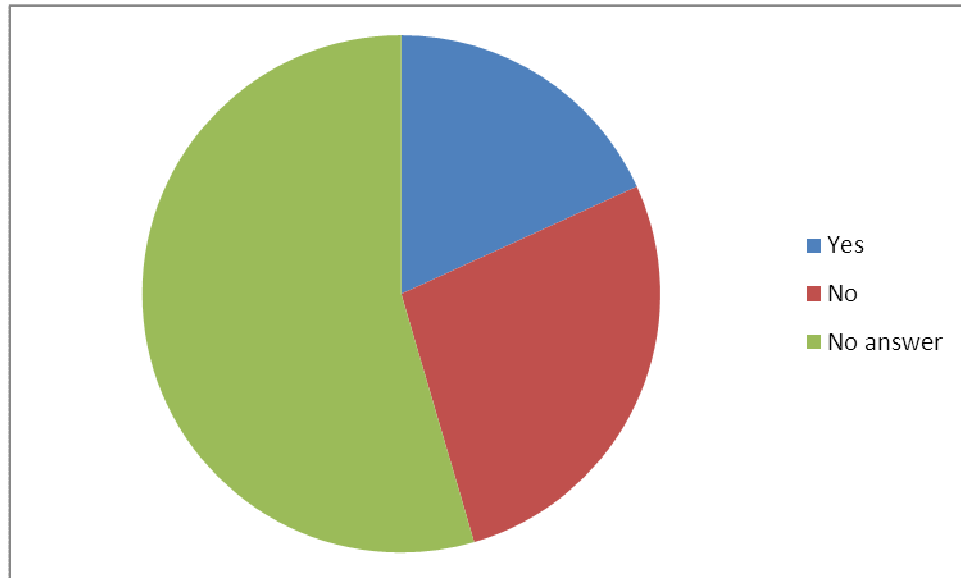
Respondents came back favouring 3 and 4 bed properties (largely centred on detached properties). Flats and terraced properties were the least popular option with none respondents favouring them.

2. Affordable Housing

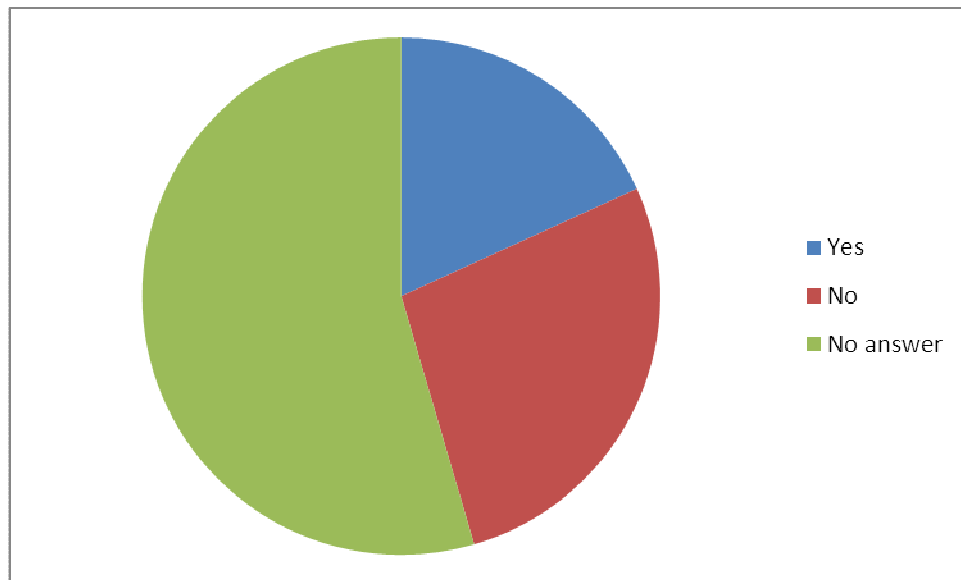
Respondents were asked to give a 'yes' or 'no' answer on whether there is a need for affordable housing in the area. The responses were as follows:



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:

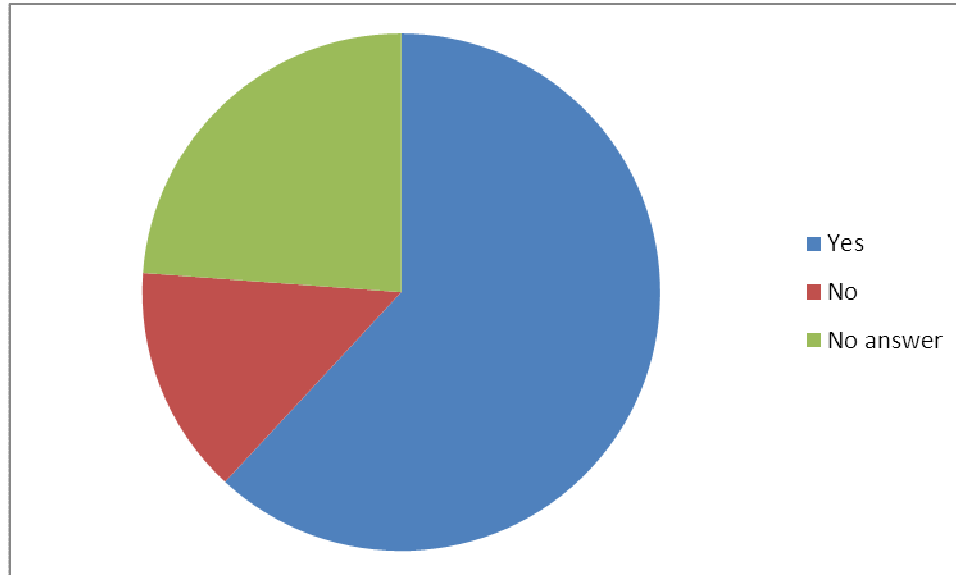
Answer	1 bedroom	2 bedrooms	3 bedrooms	4 bedrooms	5 bedrooms	Total
Detached		1	5	2	1	9
Semi detached		1				1
Bungalow	1	3				4
Terraced			1			1
Flats						0
Total	1	5	6	2	1	15

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
Old Persons Sheltered Accommodation	5	22.7%
Old Persons Residential Homes	1	4.5%
Total	6	27.2%

3. Location of New Development

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



A further respondent replied that they would like to see 10 houses on the former Bramcote School site.

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 ¹
Outside development boundary	4	28.6%
Small extensions	10	71.4%
Large extensions	0	0.0%
Total responses	14	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.

The opportunity was then given to submit sites to be considered for housing in the next review of the SHLAA. Two new sites were proposed, and these sites had not been previously considered.

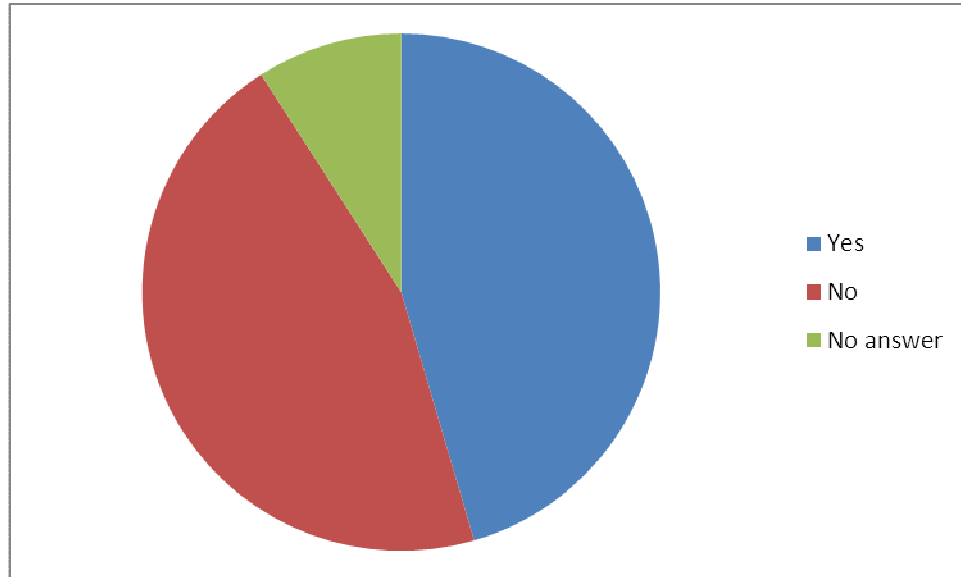
4. Village facilities

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:

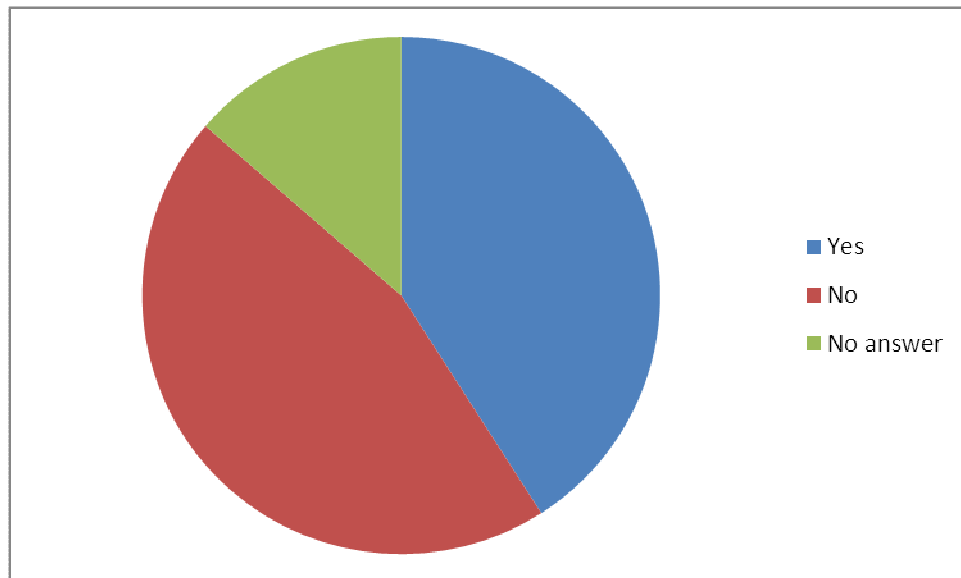
Answer	Number of respondents	% of respondents
Village hall/community centre	11	45.8%
New school or more places at existing school	2	8.3%
Sports pitch	2	8.3%
Play area	7	29.2%
Other		
- Café	1	4.2%
- Public house	1	4.2%
Total number of respondents who answered this question	24	100%

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:

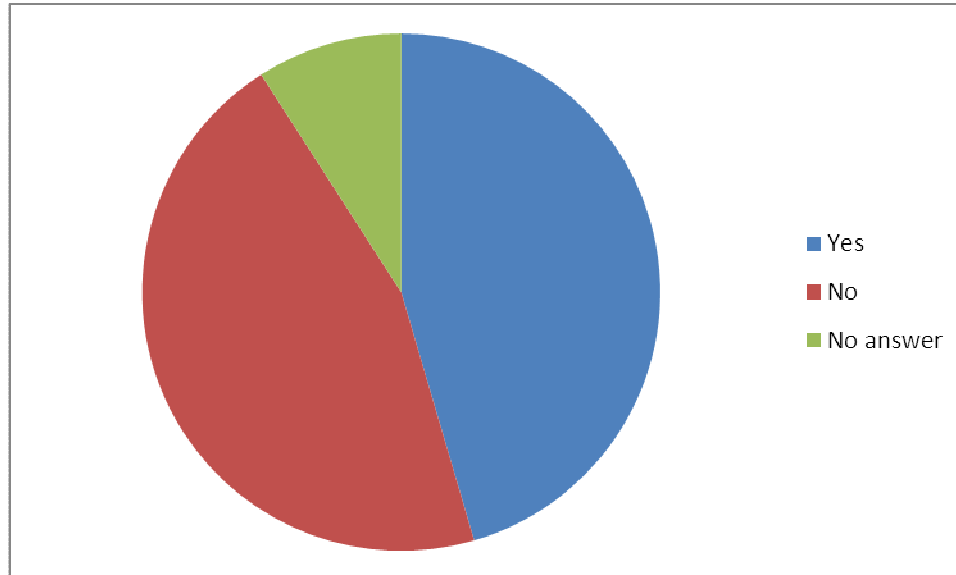
- Peace and quiet
- Quaint village
- Unique character protected by conservation area and the traditional look of the village

Respondents were asked what community assets they would like to see protected from future development or changes of use. Of the 10 people who responded, four stated that there were no assets within the village. The remaining responses identified the following as potential community assets:

Potential assets identified	Number of respondents	% of respondents
Agricultural land and associated wildlife	2	33.3%
Public open spaces	2	33.3%
Roads and pavements	1	16.7%
Public house	1	16.7%
Total respondents	6	100%

7. 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:

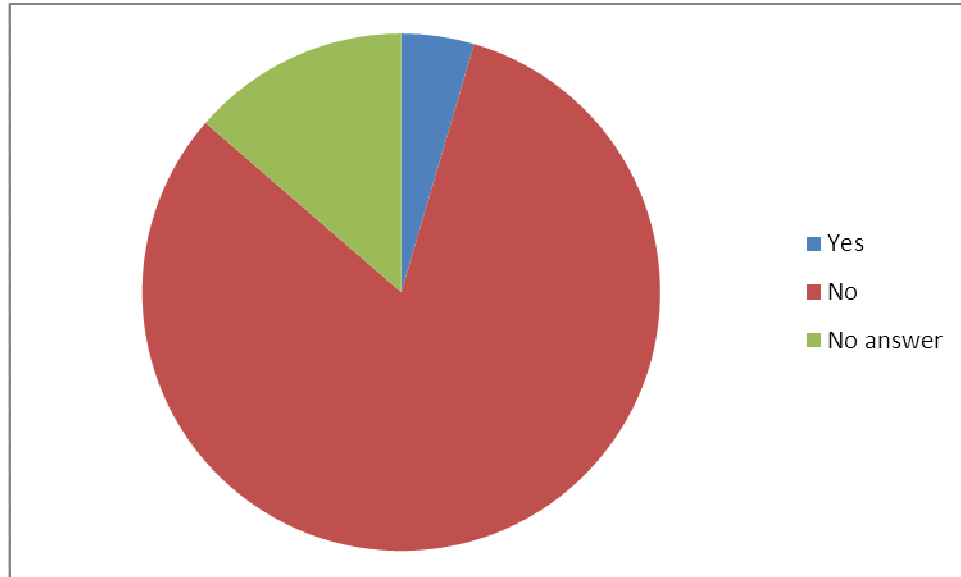


Respondents were then asked to expand on the specific problems and to provide details on the locations. These were summarised and the main issues are detailed below (in order of popularity):

- No access to mains gas (3 respondents)
- Sewerage/drainage system capacity problems (1 respondent)
- Road surface improvements (1 respondent)
- Poor access (1 respondent)
- Poor electricity supply (1 respondent)
- Inadequate bus service (1 respondent)
- School capacity (1 respondent)

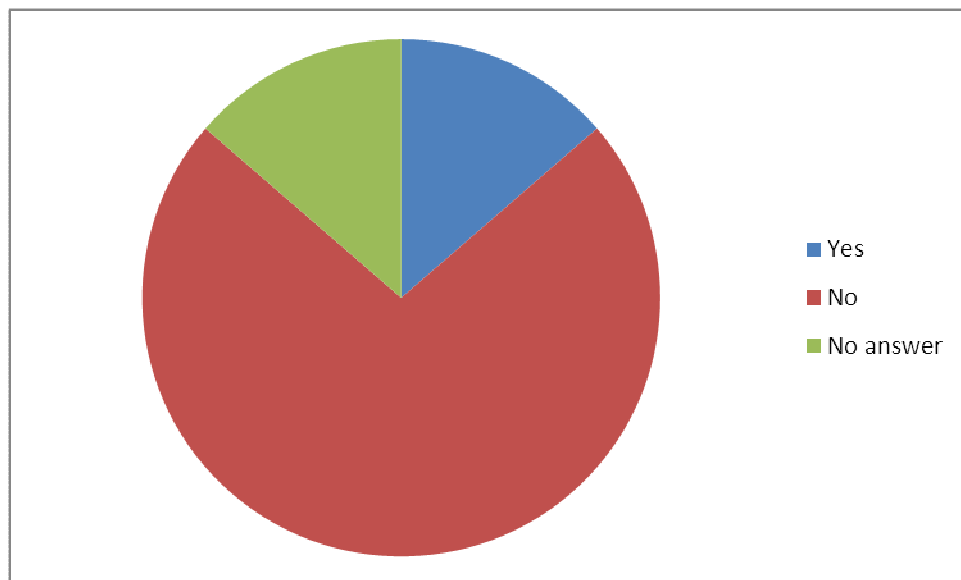
8. Employment opportunities

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 in a local farm, church or school. There are also opportunities at Gamston airfield.

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 re-use of Bramcote Lane school site.

9. 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 (6 respondents)
- Re-development of Bramcote Lawn School (possibly for a hotel) (2 respondents)
- Expansion of their publishing business (1 respondent)

A further two respondents stated that there would not support any new development of this nature.

10. Further comments

There was then the opportunity for respondents to draw our attention to any other matters. The responses that were directly related to planning policy were as follows:

- Poor condition of the footpaths
- Inadequate bus service
- Volume and speed of traffic through the village
- Street lighting and off road parking required at the bungalows off Hathur Close
- Concerns over the expansion of the Gamston airport.