

Walkeringham Parish Neighbourhood Plan 2016

Survey Summary Report November 2016

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Introduction

Bassetlaw District Council currently do not have a 'Local Development Plan'. Its previous submission was not acceptable to the Government because it did not meet the housing numbers required. As a result, developers are finding it relatively easy to get large developments approved, typically against the wishes of the communities.

A Neighbourhood plan, whilst needing to be in step with Bassetlaw District Council Core Strategy, allows the village to decide on the type, position and scale of development in Walkeringham.

We are obliged by Government to have additional housing and the plan will need to be compliant with National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) but a neighbourhood Plan will give us a say in the future of our village.

Survey detail

The questionnaires were hand delivered with an explanation of the purpose of the survey given to the person (adult) who answered the door. They were delivered between 16th September and collected up to 18th September. All questionnaires returned before 25th September were included within the survey.

400 questionnaires were delivered in total to local properties. Collections were made by members of the parish at varying times with up to 3 attempts to recover the forms.

In total 223 questionnaires were delivered to Osiris MR for processing and analysis. For the residential survey the 223 responses equate to a response rate of 55.75%; based on the total number of properties within the parish. This level of response is reflected with a high confidence level of 95% \pm 5%. In reality any question with a response in excess of 172 responses would have the equivalent confidence level.

The questionnaire was designed by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group with input from Osiris MR. Osiris MR is a full service market research consultancy based in Nottingham providing customers with bespoke market research solutions across the UK. Quality and standards are important to us which is why we are Market Research Society Company Partners and accredited with ISO 20252:2012 which is the international standard for market research. This report has been written by a certified market research professional and full member of the Market Research Society.

The questionnaire is designed to be confidential without the inclusion of names and addresses, although postcode has been collected for overview purposes.

The remainder of the report will look at the data provided by the parishioners. It should be remembered when reviewing the data that all respondents had the opportunity to not answer questions they did not wish to. This means that the total number of respondents for each

question may be the same or lower than the total number of questionnaires analysed. Where respondents had the opportunity to provide more than one answer it should be remembered that the total number of provided responses may be greater than the total number of respondents. This in turn may lead to percentage totals in excess of 100%.

The demography of the Parish is already known and the questions in this survey are focused on understanding peoples' views regarding the importance of various elements being considered for the plan.

Rating scales are used on a significant number of questions within the survey. To facilitate the reporting statistical methods of weighting is given to the answers. For example:

On the rating scale 1 is unimportant and 5 is important

Answer	Weight
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
No Answer	Not scored



Only valid responses were weighted. By utilising weighting processes a standard deviation can be calculated. In simple terms standard deviation shows the spread of responses. The nearer standard deviation is to zero the smaller the spread of answers collected from the average score. The larger the number the greater the spread of responses from the average score.

Whilst it is possible for respondents to answer all questions with the same importance it should be remembered that the responses will be different for different people.

Community Issues

Respondents were asked to consider how important the listed community issues were. 14 responses were provided for people to rate.

All of the questions have been ranked based on the average importance score and the standard deviation from that score.

	Mean	Standard Error	1 - Unimportant	2	3	4	5 - Very Important	Important or very Important
Peaceful, safe & crime free neighbourhood	4.83	0.04	-	1.8%	2.3%	7.3%	88.5%	95.8%
Unspoilt countryside	4.63	0.05	-	0.9%	7.4%	19.9%	71.8%	91.7%
Local health and caring services	4.58	0.05	-	1.4%	7.3%	22.9%	68.3%	91.2%
Good public transport	4.58	0.05	0.9%	0.9%	9.5%	16.7%	71.9%	88.6%
Good local school in the village	4.54	0.06	1.8%	3.7%	6.0%	15.7%	72.8%	88.5%
Good Community spirit	4.35	0.05	-	1.9%	11.6%	35.8%	50.7%	86.5%
Village Hall & Sports Field	4.35	0.06	0.5%	2.7%	12.8%	29.7%	54.3%	84.0%
Local employment opportunities	4.33	0.06	0.5%	3.2%	16.1%	23.5%	56.7%	80.2%
Village shop	4.17	0.07	1.4%	6.1%	16.5%	25.5%	50.5%	76.0%
Having a say indecisions that affect the Parish	4.17	0.18	-	-	22.2%	38.9%	38.9%	77.8%
Lots of village activities and things to do	4.11	0.07	2.3%	4.6%	18.8%	28.9%	45.4%	74.3%
Village pub	4.11	0.08	4.2%	5.6%	15.7%	24.1%	50.5%	74.6%
Good walking/cycling provision	4.09	0.07	1.4%	3.3%	23.5%	28.6%	43.2%	71.8%
Removal of flood-risk	4.06	0.07	1.9%	8.3%	15.7%	30.1%	44.0%	74.1%

221 respondents answered some element of this question.

With 95.8% of respondents answering either important or very important having a ‘peaceful, safe and crime free neighbourhood’ was considered to be the most important thing to residents of the Parish. Over 88% of people responding said this was ‘very important’ to them.

An ‘unspoilt countryside’ and ‘local health and caring services’ also scored above 91% with people saying these issues were important or very important to them.

As you move down the table demographic influences begin to develop with ‘good public transport’ and ‘good local school in the village’ both scoring highly on average, but there are also some levels of unimportance showing on these responses. This may have been influenced by access to other means of transport although only further research could confirm this.

The issues which are of lesser importance to the respondents are the ‘village pub’, ‘walking and cycling provision’ and the ‘removal of flood risk’. Whilst each does show average scores which indicate that they have some importance to the local populace i.e. above 4 they are less likely to affect some people for a number of reasons. This may have led to some respondents marking them as a lower priority and therefore reducing the average score.

Housing Planning

The next 4 questions within the survey are related to housing planning and are designed to understand what the local population may consider when the village plans to meet the Government policy targets.

The first question in the section considers what development sizes are important and should be given priority during the plan period, 15 years.

	Mean	Standard Error	1 - Unimportant	2	3	4	5 - Very Important	Important or very Important
between 2 and 5 dwellings	3.74	0.08	8.4%	6.5%	21.5%	29.4%	34.1%	63.5%
single dwellings	3.56	0.1	15.1%	7.5%	18.9%	23.6%	34.9%	58.5%
between 6 and 10 dwellings	3.01	0.09	20.9%	10.9%	29.9%	22.7%	15.6%	38.3%
between 11 and 25 dwellings	2.02	0.09	54.0%	15.6%	12.3%	10.0%	8.1%	18.1%
over 25 dwellings	1.59	0.08	74.6%	6.1%	10.3%	3.8%	5.2%	9.0%

The mean scores for all options are less than 4 signifying that the majority of people whilst potentially understanding the need for increased housing don't consider it a high priority or of high importance. Only 2 options score above 50% on the important or very important scale; schemes of between 2 and 5 dwellings 63.5% and a mean score of 3.74 and schemes of single houses 58.5% and a mean score 3.56.

As the proposed number of dwellings is increased the importance attributed to a development scheme decreases. Fewer than 1 in 5 people would consider schemes of 11 to 25 important (18.1%). This declines to fewer than 1 in 10 respondents considering schemes of more than 25 dwellings important (9.0%).

The view of respondents is therefore more in favour of smaller developments. However, further research would need to be conducted to establish whether respondents would be agreeable to more schemes of fewer houses.

Respondents were then asked to consider the tenure of properties when new homes are built.

	Mean	Standard Error	1 - Unimportant	2	3	4	5 - Very Important	Important or very Important
Owner occupied - The residents both fully own the house and live there	4.42	0.06	2.3%	1.8%	11.5%	20.2%	64.2%	84.4%
Shared ownership - Houses that are provided through Housing Associations but tenants can buy a share of the house and rent the remaining share	2.91	0.09	21.7%	13.8%	28.1%	24.9%	11.5%	36.4%
Social rented - Houses which are owned/managed by a Housing Association	2.64	0.1	38.0%	10.2%	20.4%	13.0%	18.5%	31.5%
Private rented - Privately owned houses rented directly from the landlord/owner	2.34	0.08	34.6%	18.2%	31.3%	10.3%	5.6%	15.9%

Respondents consider owner occupied housing would be the preferred tenure with 84.4% of respondents considering this important or very important, and 64.2% identifying owner occupancy as very important. The next most favoured tenure would be shared ownership but only 36.4% would consider this option important or very important.

When looking at social rented housing respondents are less supportive with nearly half (48.2%) identifying it as of low importance or unimportant. Just over half of respondents consider private rented accommodation of low importance or not important (52.8%) with only 15.9% giving this option any importance.

After considering numbers of houses within schemes and the tenure of properties respondents were asked to consider the types of dwelling that should be important to the Parish.

	Mean	Standard Error	1 - Unimportant	2	3	4	5 - Very Important	Important or very Important
Affordable homes for sale or rent	3.87	0.09	8.3%	9.2%	12.4%	27.6%	42.4%	70.0%
Private semi-detached/terraced houses (2 or 3 bedrooms)	3.79	0.08	6.5%	6.5%	21.3%	32.9%	32.9%	65.8%
Sheltered accommodation for elderly people	3.73	0.09	10.1%	5.5%	22.0%	26.1%	36.2%	62.3%
Bungalows	3.69	0.08	9.0%	7.2%	20.8%	31.2%	31.7%	62.9%
Eco-homes	3.46	0.09	11.7%	9.4%	23.5%	31.5%	23.9%	55.4%
Detached private houses (executive homes - 3,4 or more bedrooms)	3.03	0.1	23.7%	12.1%	24.7%	16.7%	22.8%	39.5%
Houses with workshops attached for cottage industries	2.79	0.09	23.7%	17.2%	29.3%	16.3%	13.5%	29.8%
Houses of multiple-occupancy (i.e. small flats, hostels etc)	1.65	0.07	64.8%	15.5%	12.3%	4.6%	2.7%	7.3%
Holiday accommodation	1.49	0.06	73.3%	11.5%	10.6%	1.8%	2.8%	4.6%

70% of respondents consider that 'affordable homes for sale or rent' are either important or very important. There is also support for 2 and 3 bedroom homes, sheltered accommodation and bungalow with over 60% of people identifying these house types as important or very important.

Opinion appears to be divided on Eco-home with 55.4% of people answering that they consider them important or very important to the Parish.

Houses of multiple occupancy (7.3%) and holiday accommodation (4.6%) aren't considered at all important and people assigned them as significantly unimportant 64.8% and 73.3% unimportance respectively.

Once all of these options respondents were then asked to consider where the housing growth should occur within the Parish.

	Mean	Standard Error	1 - Unimportant	2	3	4	5 - Very Important	Important or very Important
Evenly spread throughout the village	3.94	0.09	9.3%	4.7%	14.9%	25.1%	46.0%	71.1%
Done inside the previous village development/build envelope	3.51	0.1	13.8%	9.0%	21.9%	22.9%	32.4%	55.3%
Small off road cul-de-sacs	3.36	0.09	13.4%	7.4%	29.2%	29.6%	20.4%	50.0%
Infill between existing properties	3.35	0.1	18.8%	8.5%	23.9%	16.4%	32.4%	48.8%
Typically ribbon development along roadsides	2.57	0.08	26.0%	20.5%	31.6%	14.4%	7.4%	21.8%
Concentrated in one part of the village	1.93	0.08	51.9%	18.1%	19.4%	6.5%	4.2%	10.7%
On green field sites	1.55	0.07	73.2%	9.4%	8.9%	5.6%	2.8%	8.4%

7 out of 10 (71.1%) of respondents have indicated that they think it is important or very important that new housing should be distributed evenly throughout the village. 55.0% of respondents have indicated that they believe it is important or very important for new property to



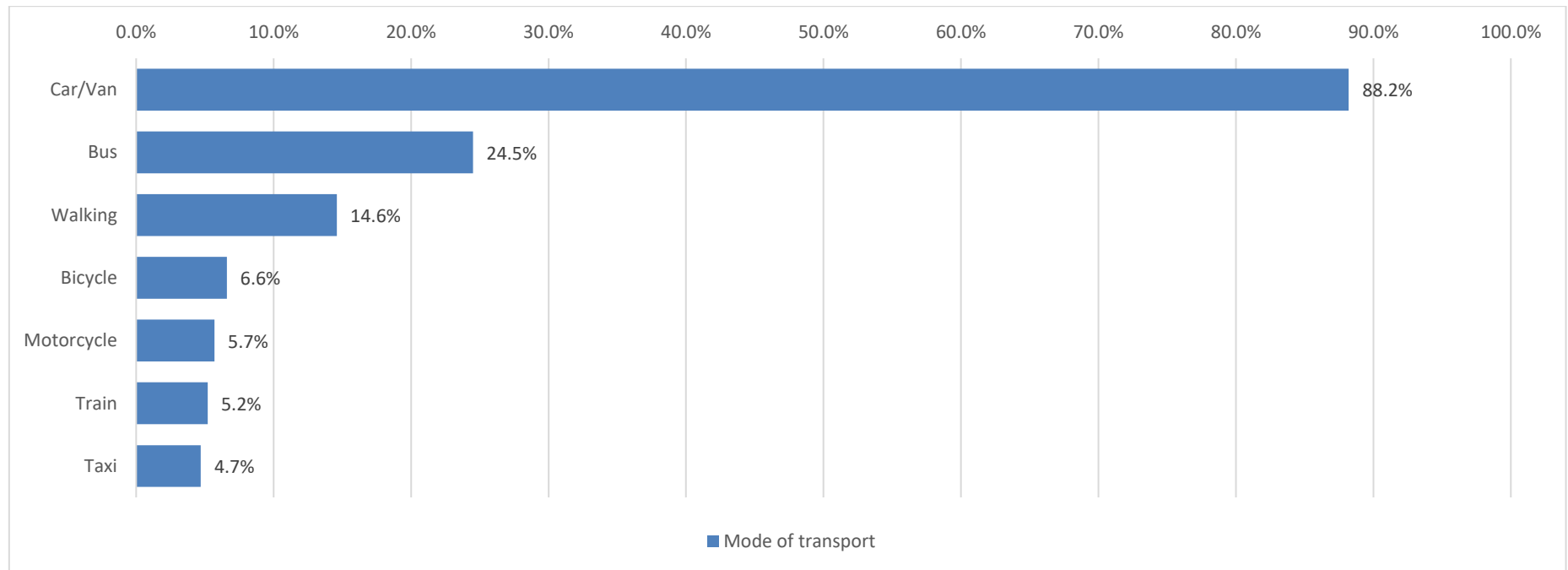
be built within the previous build envelope. Whilst it could be interpreted that half of people responding considered building outside the existing development envelope only 22.8% of respondents indicated that it wasn't important. Further research would therefore need to be conducted to establish whether build outside the existing envelope was viable.

People considered that building on green field sites is of low importance or are unimportant 82.6% with 70% considering development concentrated in one part of the village negatively.

Work Issues

After considering housing respondents were asked their views about work issues.

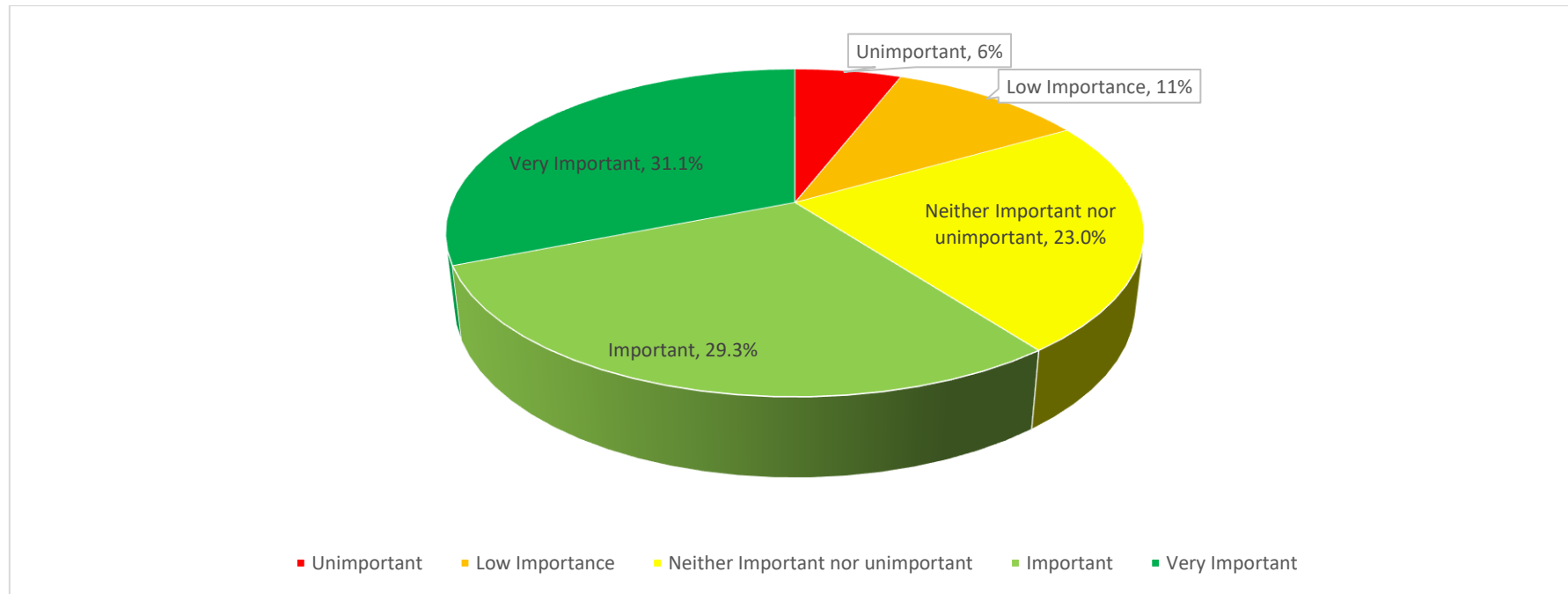
Respondents were asked to think about their usual means of transport to work training or study.



Respondents had the opportunity to answer with more than one mode of transport. It is clear to see that car/van (88.2%) is the most commonly used means of transportation to and from work more than 3 times the next most common, bus (24.5%) with just under a quarter of respondents identifying it as their usual means of transport. It would require further research to determine whether an increased or

improved bus service would encourage the use of public transport or whether people consider that access to a car or van is an essential part of living within a village community.

Respondents were then asked to consider how important it is for the Neighbourhood Plan to make provision to try and increase local employment.

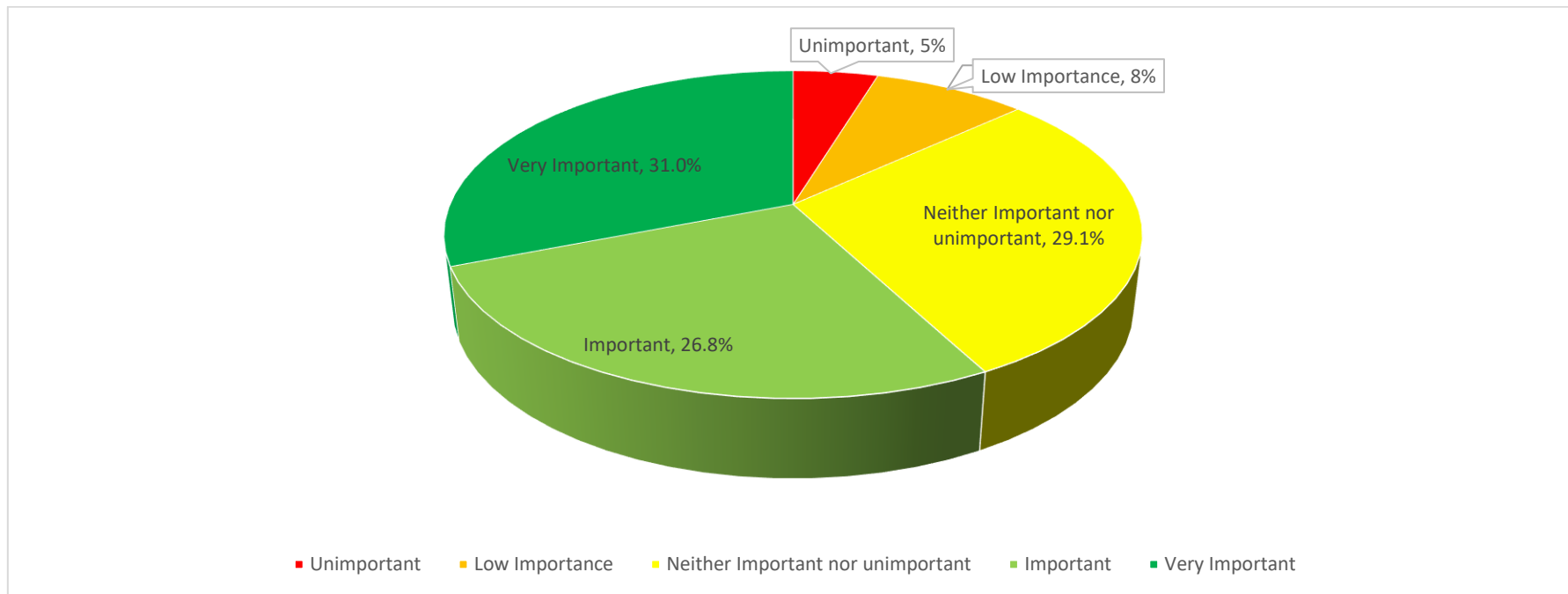


Mean score = 3.69 from 222 responses

60.4% of respondents identified that they consider a plan to increase local employment as either important or very important, with only 16.7% thinking this should have a low importance.

Nearly ¼ (23.0%) of respondents consider the issue neither important nor unimportant to them at the moment.

Following immediately on from this respondents were asked to consider how important to them that any employment sites proposed by the neighbourhood plan be protected from change of use.



57.8% of respondents would consider the protection from change of use as being either important or very important to them. Only 13.2% of respondents would assign a low or no importance to this consideration. However, it should be noted that nearly 30% (29.1%) were non-committal about its importance.

In order to try and understand the types of businesses that people wanted within the Parish respondents were asked to review a list of business types and rate the importance of trying to encourage them to promote jobs and economic development.

	Mean	Standard Error	1 - Unimportant	2	3	4	5 - Very Important	Important or very Important
People working from home	3.67	0.08	6.5%	7.4%	27.3%	30.6%	28.2%	58.8%
Garden Centre/Farm Shops	3.44	0.08	10.1%	11.9%	22.9%	33.5%	21.6%	55.1%
Social Care - (e.g. Child Care/Care Homes etc)	3.33	0.09	11.9%	11.9%	27.5%	28.4%	20.2%	48.6%
Personal Care (e.g. Hairdressers/Physiotherapy etc)	3.31	0.08	9.2%	8.7%	39.0%	28.0%	15.1%	43.1%
Craft, Workshop Centre or Antiques	3.12	0.08	13.6%	15.4%	30.4%	27.1%	13.6%	40.7%
Coffee Shop	3.1	0.1	22.6%	10.1%	25.8%	18.0%	23.5%	41.5%
Small Offices - (e.g. Accountants/Architects etc)	3.09	0.09	18.1%	13.5%	27.4%	23.3%	17.7%	41.0%
Small industry manufacturing units	2.75	0.09	26.4%	17.1%	25.0%	18.5%	13.0%	31.5%
Tourism development/attractions	2.72	0.09	27.7%	15.5%	27.7%	15.5%	13.6%	29.1%

Average response = 216

Respondents appear to view a mix of business types being encouraged to promote jobs and economic growth with no specific type standing out as a key priority.

58.8% would like to see the encouragement of people working from home and 55.1% would like to see a drive for garden centre or farm shops to be developed.

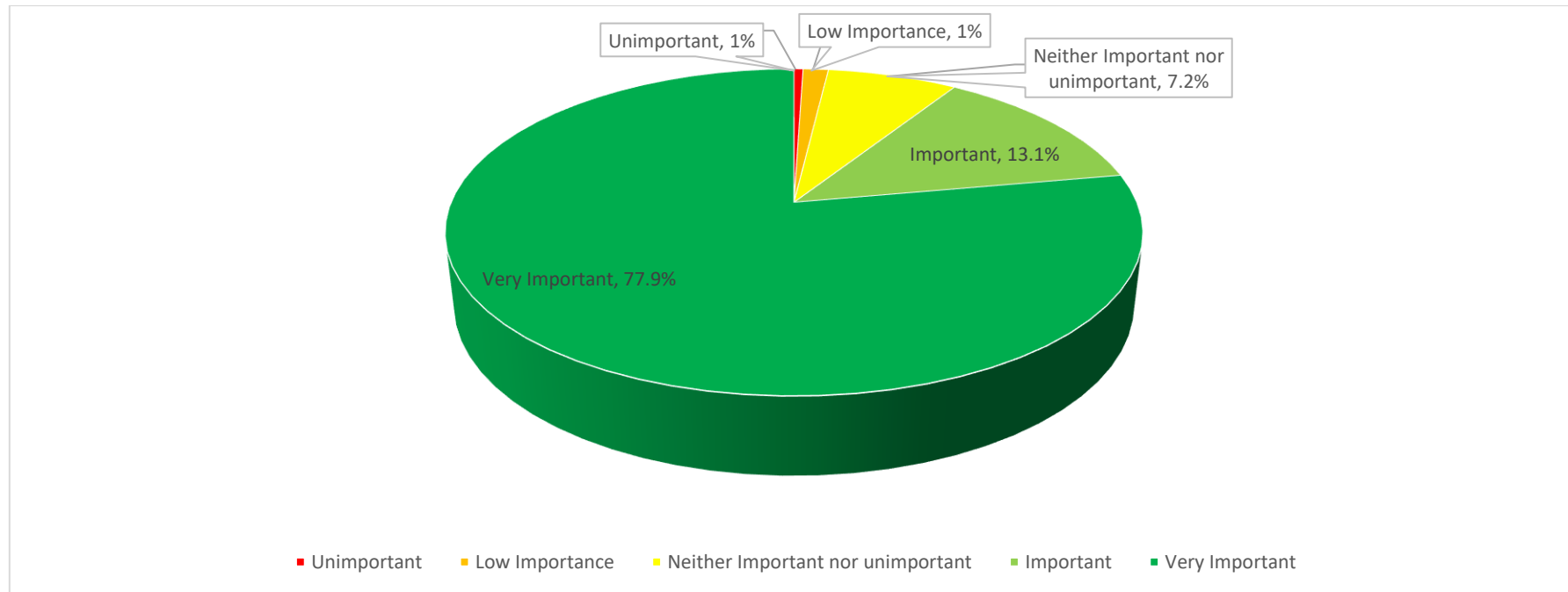
Social care was considered by 48.1% of respondents to be either important or very important.

As you look more deeply fewer than 1/3 of respondents (31.5%) consider small industrial manufacturing units to be important with over ¼ (26.4%) considering these as unimportant. This is very similar to the responses for the development of tourism and attractions.

Natural and Historic Heritage

In the next section respondents were asked to consider the local environment, existing landscape, character and scale of the village.

The first question quantifies how important respondents feel that any future development should be in keeping with the existing landscape, character and scale of the village.



Significantly 77.9% of respondents consider this to be very important, with a total of 91% considering it either important or very important and fewer than 2% of respondents identifying it as either of low importance or unimportant.

Expanding on this theme respondents were asked to rate the importance of the quality of the built environment for new housing.

	Mean	Standard Error	1 - Unimportant	2	3	4	5 - Very Important	Important or very Important
New build should not increase flood risk for existing residents	4.92	0.03	-	0.9%	-	5.5%	93.6%	99.1%
Village utilities (electricity/water/sewage/gas/Broadband) should be capable of dealing with any increase in housing, without reducing the quality of existing resident's services	4.9	0.03	0.5%	-	1.4%	5.5%	92.7%	98.2%
New build should have sufficient car parking provision	4.61	0.05	2.3%	0.5%	4.5%	19.5%	73.2%	92.7%
Design that respects the scale of the existing area	4.54	0.06	2.3%	1.4%	4.6%	23.7%	68.0%	91.7%
Use of building materials which complement existing buildings	4.44	0.06	3.2%	1.8%	7.3%	23.2%	64.5%	87.7%
Village street lighting should be low glare and use modern technology	4.4	0.06	1.4%	2.3%	12.4%	22.6%	61.3%	83.9%
High levels of energy conservation in new build	4.32	0.06	0.9%	1.9%	12.6%	34.0%	50.7%	84.7%
Signage, advertising and street furniture should respect the locality and heritage	4.29	0.06	2.3%	3.6%	11.8%	27.6%	54.8%	82.4%
Any new housing should not exceed 1:3 ration of building footprint on plot size	4.1	0.08	4.2%	4.7%	17.5%	23.6%	50.0%	73.6%
Housing schemes on infill plots should not exceed 1:3 ration of building footprint to plot size	4.04	0.08	4.7%	4.2%	18.7%	27.1%	45.3%	72.4%

Overwhelmingly respondents consider that ‘new build should not increase the flood risk for existing residents’ is important or very important to them (99.1%) and that village utilities should be capable of dealing with any increase in housing without reducing the quality of existing residents services (98.2%).

Considerations for parking and respecting the scale of the existing area also scored above 90% in terms of importance from the respondents, 92.7% and 91.7% respectively.

Even the lowest scoring considerations concerning new housing plot utilisation and infill plot usage score above 70% with respondents 73.6% and 72.4% respectively.

Respondents were asked to consider how important it was for the Neighbourhood plan to consider, green space, historic and natural features, enhanced landscape protection and flood prevention.

	Mean	Standard Error	1 - Unimportant	2	3	4	5 - Very Important	Important or very Important
Improved flood prevention measures	4.74	0.05	0.5%	2.3%	3.2%	11.4%	82.6%	94.0%
Protection of existing green space	4.55	0.06	1.4%	3.2%	8.6%	13.2%	73.6%	86.8%
Enhanced protection of historic an natural features	4.53	0.06	1.4%	2.3%	7.8%	19.3%	69.3%	88.6%
Enhanced protection of the landscape	4.47	0.06	0.9%	3.2%	11.5%	16.5%	67.9%	84.4%

Whilst all sections are considered important flood prevention is considered the most importance with 94.0% considering this either important or very important.



The protection of green space, enhanced protection of historic and natural features and the enhanced protection of the landscape also scored very highly and very similarly to each other.

Respondents were given the opportunity to identify buildings, places, views or landmarks which they believe it is important to protect. Understanding the list requires a specific local knowledge and the full list is provided in alphabetical order in Appendix 1.

Community Facilities

Consideration is being given to a number of neighbourhood facilities. Respondents were asked to think about the importance of these facilities to them.

	Mean	Standard Error	1 - Unimportant	2	3	4	5 - Very Important	Important or very Important
Faster Broadband Services	4.41	0.07	4.1%	2.3%	8.3%	18.8%	66.5%	85.3%
Better Road safety measures (including reducing speeding)	4.04	0.08	4.6%	6.0%	16.1%	28.0%	45.4%	73.4%
Better Facilities for older people	4.01	0.07	4.1%	3.2%	21.5%	29.7%	41.6%	71.3%
Better Facilities for young people	3.98	0.08	5.1%	6.5%	18.0%	26.7%	43.8%	70.5%
Better access facilities for people with disabilities	3.9	0.08	4.2%	5.6%	25.6%	25.6%	39.1%	64.7%
Encouragement of a defined village centre e.g. Village Green	3.81	0.08	7.9%	5.6%	22.2%	26.9%	37.5%	64.4%
Better Leisure and recreational facilities (e.g. Sports facilities)	3.81	0.08	6.0%	7.0%	24.2%	25.6%	37.2%	62.8%
More Public footpaths for enhanced walks	3.63	0.08	6.5%	10.1%	27.6%	25.3%	30.4%	55.7%
Access to library facilities	3.31	0.09	13.4%	13.4%	25.9%	23.1%	24.1%	47.2%
Retail outlets	3.06	0.11	26.6%	9.3%	21.5%	16.4%	26.2%	42.6%
Off-road Car parking in the village for rent	2.87	0.1	25.1%	16.0%	24.2%	16.4%	18.3%	34.7%
Allotments for rent	2.86	0.1	24.7%	16.0%	24.7%	17.8%	16.9%	34.7%
Lock-up garages for rent	2.72	0.1	29.0%	17.5%	21.7%	15.7%	16.1%	31.8%

As technology consistently moves forward it is not surprising that respondents consider ‘faster broadband services’ the highest importance of the facilities outlined; 85.3% consider this to be important or very important to them.

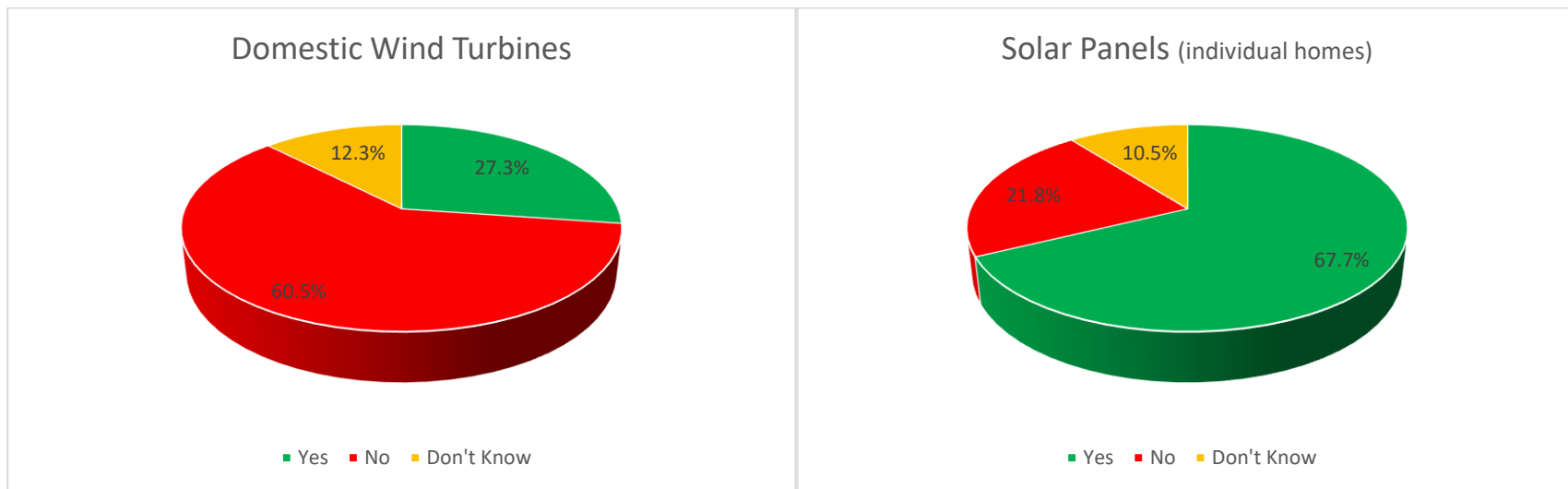
Interestingly the respondents’ second most important facility is related to road safety with 73.4% rating this as important or very important and only 10.6% scoring it as of low importance or unimportant.

Improved facilities for both old and young people scored similarly around with 71% important or very important.

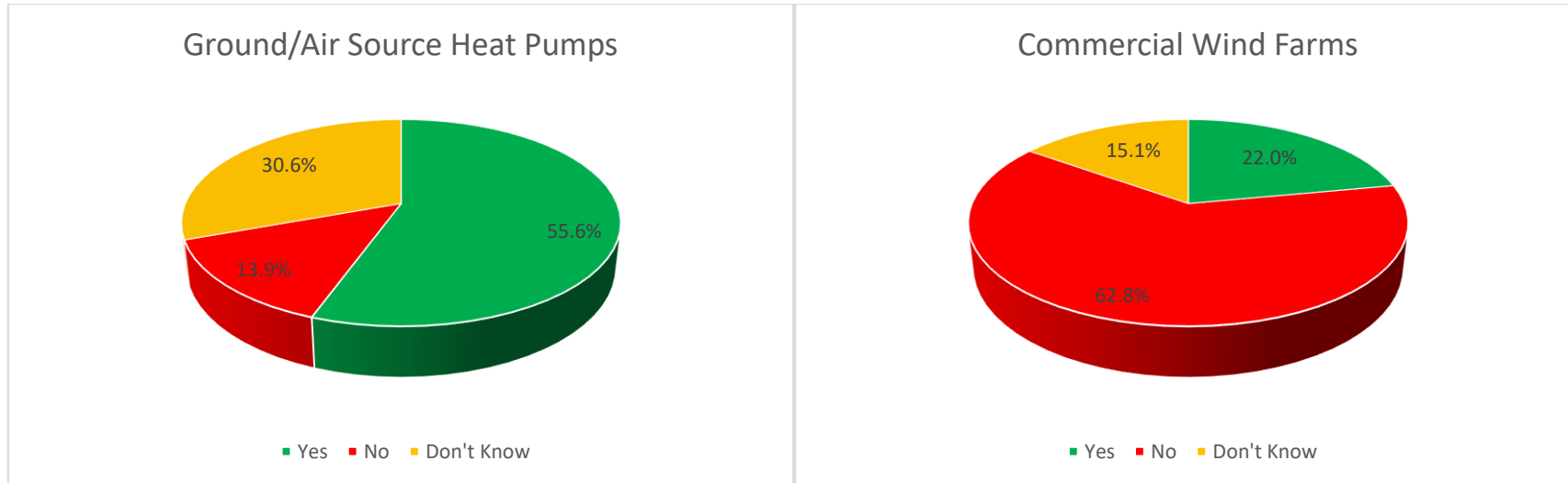
Looking toward the facilities people consider of lesser importance ‘off-road car parking’ 34.7% , ‘allotments’ 34.7% and ‘lock-up garages for rent’ 31.8% fill the lowest 3 places.

Energy, Water and Waste

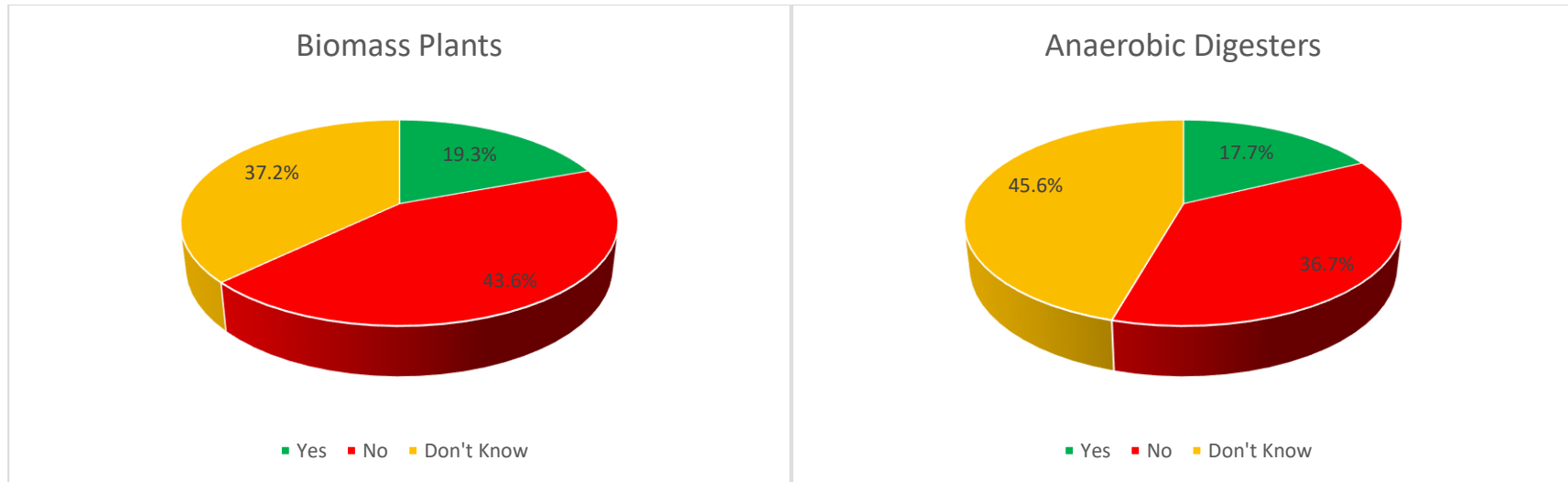
Again thinking about the future respondents were asked to consider whether modern energy, heating and power systems should be encouraged.



Whilst there would appear to be interest in encouraging Solar Panels within the Parish (yes = 67.7%) it would appear that people are not as keen on wind turbines (no = 60.5%)



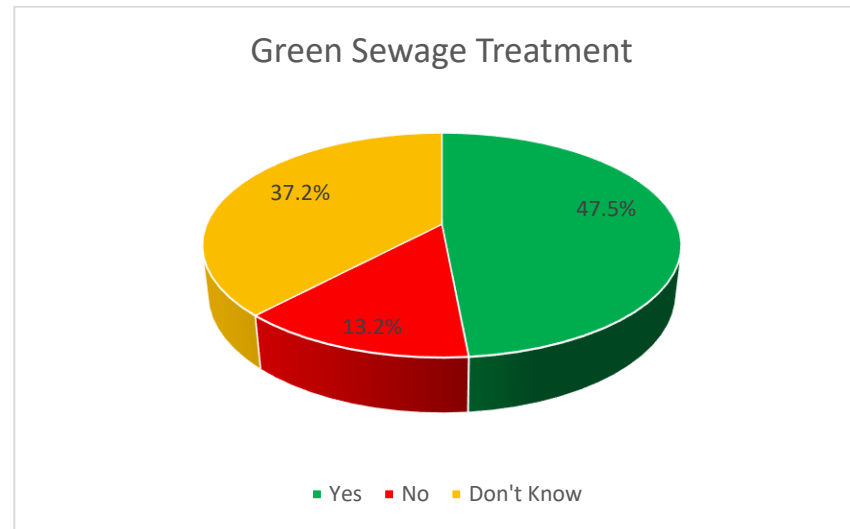
Looking at ground or air source heat pumps just over half 55.6% believe this should be encouraged however, 30.6% of respondents answered don't know. This may imply that there is a lack of knowledge about this technology for some of the respondents although further research would need to be conducted to ascertain whether this is the reason or something else was affecting the way people responded.



Both biomass plants and anaerobic digesters were seen negatively by respondents 43.6% and 36.7% identified that they should not be encouraged respectively.

In both cases Don't Know was a significant proportion of the responses consisting of nearly half (45.6%) in the case of Anaerobic Digestion. This could imply a lack of awareness and/or understanding of these technologies although further research would need to be conducted to fully understand these responses.

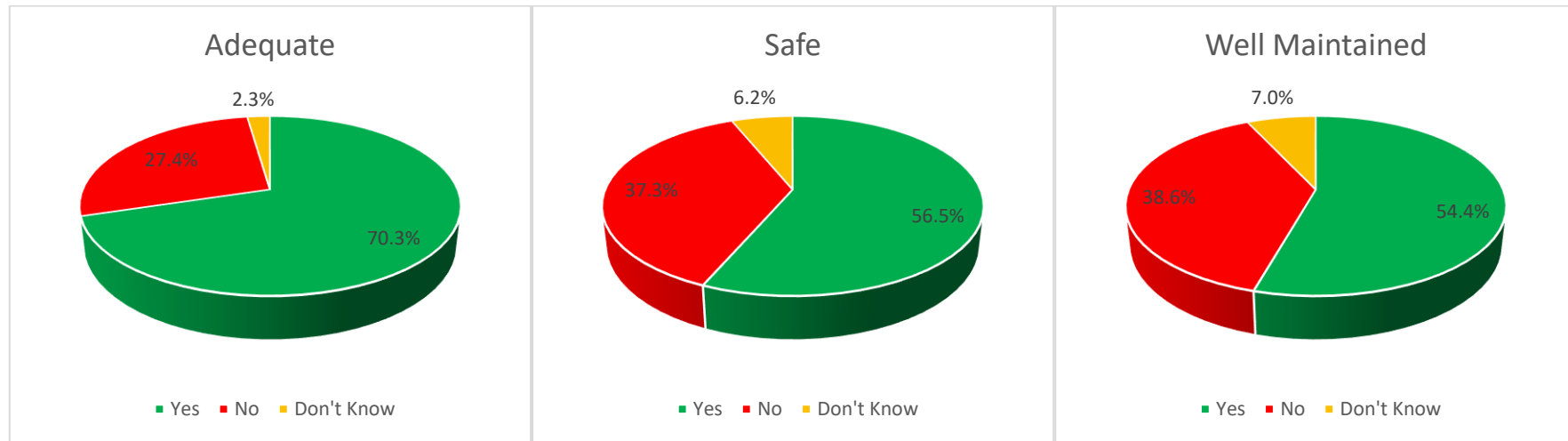
Finally in this section respondents were asked to consider the need to plan for a green alternative for the treatment of sewage.



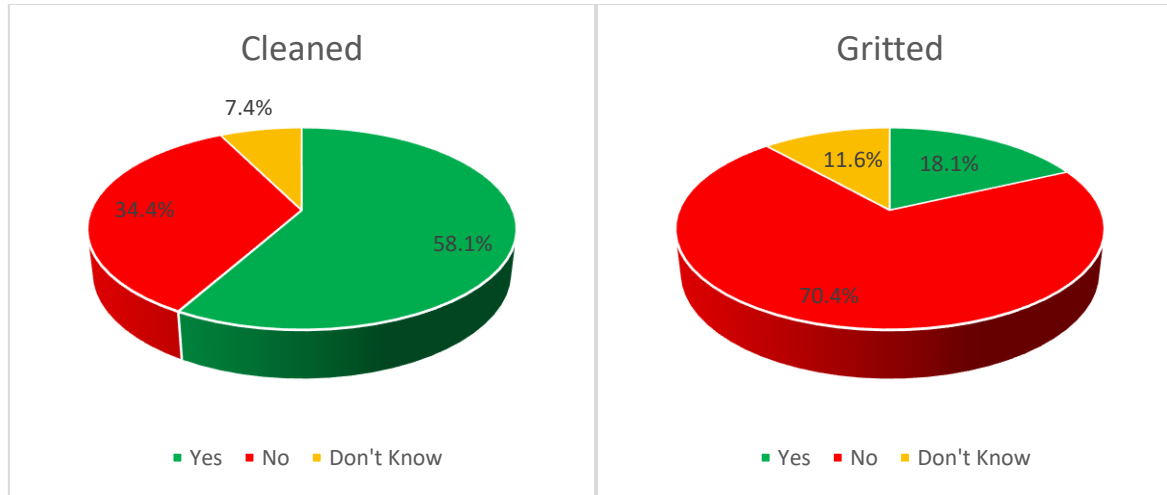
Whilst nearly half of respondents (47.5%) agreed that a plan for a green alternative to current sewage treatment systems should be considered 37.2% answered don't know. Again there may be lack of knowledge or understanding to the differing options and/or other concerns which have driven such a high Don't Know response. However, further investigation would need to be undertaken to fully understand why people responded this way.

Roads, Bridleways, Cycle Paths, Pavements and Footpaths

Respondents were asked to consider the roads in the Parish



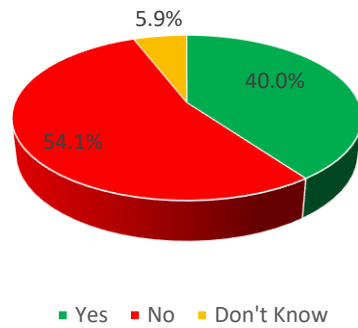
Over 70% of respondents said that the roads in the Parish are adequate for the traffic that they carry. 56.5% of people consider the roads to be safe although, 37.3% did respond No to the safety question. When we look at the maintenance question just over half (54.4%) consider the roads to be well maintained which nearly 4 in 10 believe this is not the case.



With 6 out of 10 people feeling that the roads through the Parish are sufficiently cleaned nearly 1/3 of respondents conversely considered that they weren't.

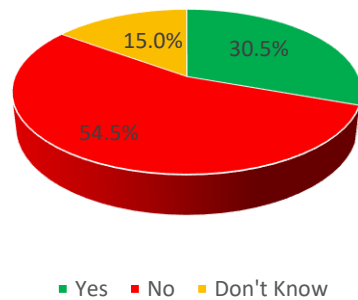
70.4% of respondents agreed that they felt the roads were not sufficiently gritted in the winter time.

Pavement Maintenance



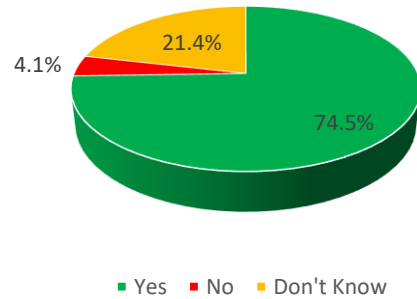
Over half (54.1%) of the respondents do not consider the local pavements, footpaths and public rights of way adequate and sufficiently well maintained. Whilst 40.0% consider them to be. This could be due to differences between differing areas of the Parish although local knowledge and/or further research would be required to fully understand peoples' views.

Benches



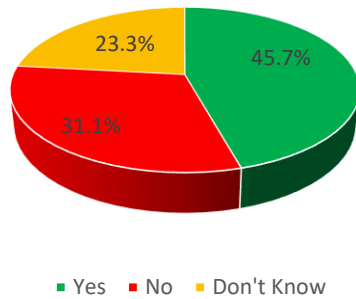
Again over half of respondents do not feel that there are sufficient benches provided in the village for walkers (54.5%), Whilst 30.5% find that there are. 15% of respondents didn't know.

Chesterfield Canal

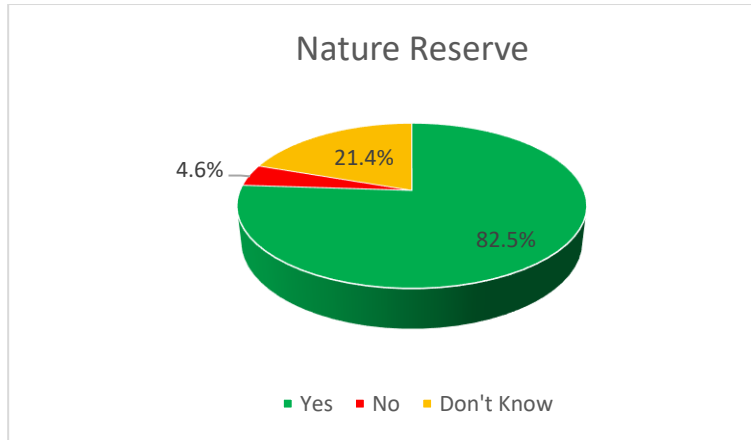


Respondents appear to support that the village should make more of the Chesterfield Canal with 74.5% saying yes. Fewer than 5% responded negative whilst 1/5 didn't know

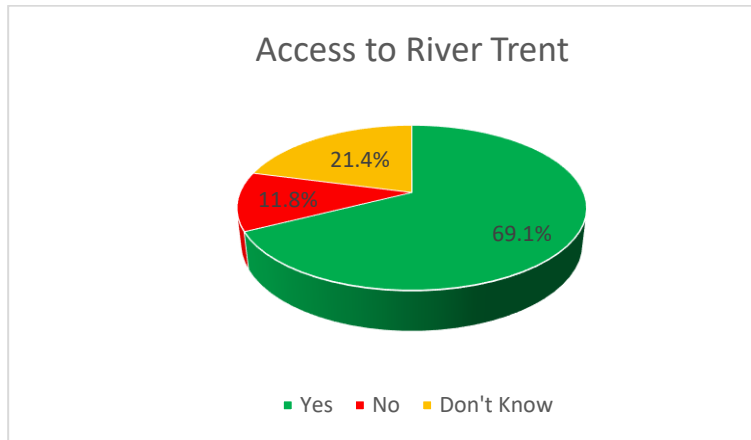
Horse Riding



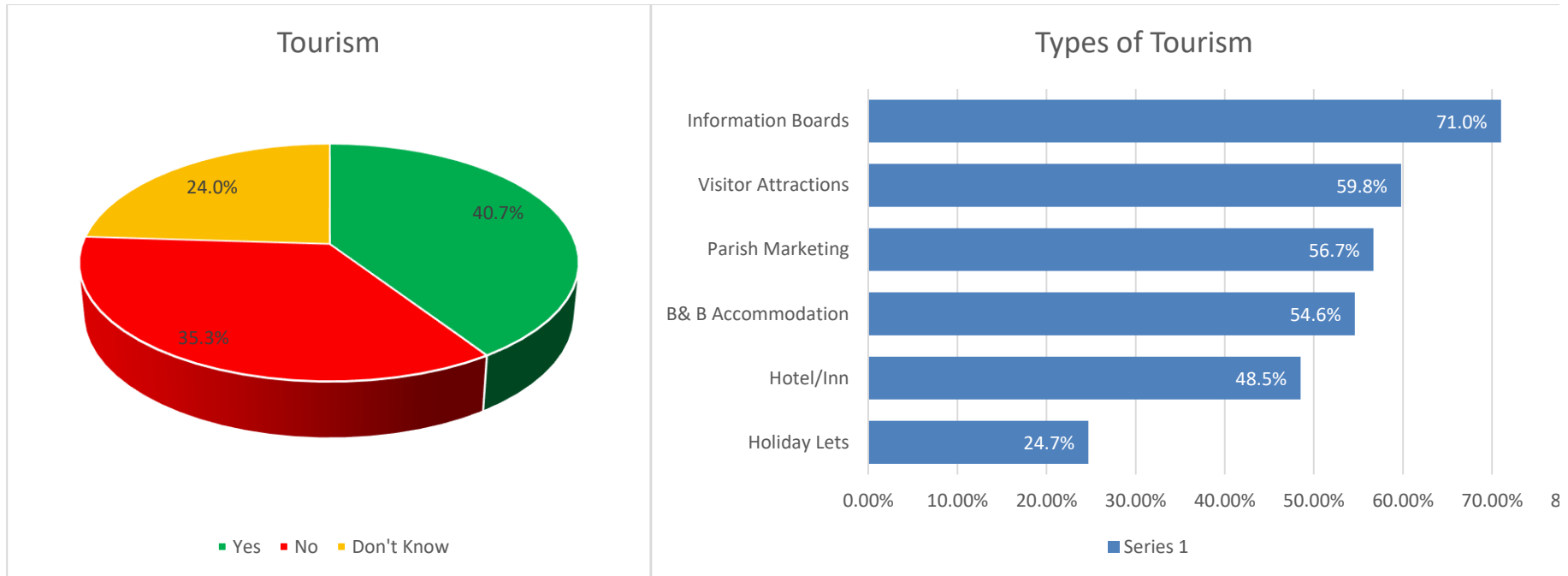
Horse riding appears to split respondents with 45.7% agreeing that the village should make more routes available, 31.1% saying that they shouldn't and 23.3% being unsure.



Support for making more of the nature reserve comes from over 4/5 of respondents (82.5%) with only very few people replying negatively (4.6%)



Nearly 7 out of 10 people (69.1%) support the neighbourhood plan investigating ways of re-establishing better access to the Lincolnshire side of the River Trent. Only 11.8% responded negatively.



There appear to be mixed views with regard to the encouragement of tourism within the Parish. Whilst 40.7% would support encouraging tourism 35.3% would disagree with a further 24% unsure of their response.

Where there was agreement for tourism 71% would consider information boards promoting the village; whilst fewer than ¼ of people responding would like to see holiday lets.



Respondents were given the opportunity in the final question to provide any comments they had. The responses for this question are listed alphabetically in Appendix 2

Executive Summary

Over half of the properties within the Parish have taken part in the survey. Statistically this means that the data produced at the broad level will be robust 95% ± 5%.

The community rated that having a peaceful, safe and crime free neighbourhood was most important to them as a community issue. Of the options provided, to the respondents, all were considered either important or very important by over 70% of respondents.

The community appear to understand the need for additional housing with 63.5% considering the development of housing of between 2 and 5 properties to be either important or very important to the Parish. There is little support for developments over 25 properties with over 80% of respondents scoring his option negatively. 84.4% believe that it is important or very important that any developed properties should be owner occupied. The other ownership options scored weakly in comparison. The Parishioners do consider that any new homes should be affordable, although the definition of affordable wasn't considered within the research parameters. In locating the development(s) support is given to the importance of it being spread evenly throughout the village.

It is clear from the survey that the majority of people use personal transport to get to work or study. 88.2% specifically use a car or van as their usual means of transport.

Supporting local employment is important or very important to 60.4% of respondents with nearly as many feeling it is important that any employment sites receive some protection from change of use in the future. Parishioners would like to see people working from home, or utilising garden centres or farm shops for employment.

91% feel that any future development should be in keeping with the existing landscape and environment. In fact all of the proposed limits considered for the future of the built environment scored highly.

Significantly across a number of questions it is apparent that concern exists that any development be mindful of and not impact the potential risk for flooding.

In looking at the neighbourhood facilities high speed broadband is of most importance (85.3%) scoring more highly than road safety and facilities for the young or elderly.

People are supportive of Solar energy within the village with 2/3 supporting but 60.5% are against the installation of domestic wind turbines. They are split on the views of heat pumps with the other 'green' energy scoring less favourably.

Looking at the roads and associated travel routes people support that they are adequate, and safe; with a majority supporting that they are well maintained. 70.4% of respondents identified that in their opinion the roads are insufficiently gritted in the winter. There are also issues with pavement and benches which need to be addressed.

Generally there is support for making the most out of community assets such as the canal and bridleways, although there are mixed views on encouraging tourism.

In all there are some substantive views from the parishioners supporting development of the village as long as this is done with respect and consideration for what exists. There are clear priorities within certain areas which will help with the formulation of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Appendix 1 – Are there any buildings, places, views or landmarks which you believe it is important to protect?

2 areas shown on map.
All green space.
All trees, old buildings, green spaces.
All.
All.
Anything listed and landmarks churches etc.
Are there any buildings, places, views or landmarks (e.g. trees, village spaces) which you believe it is important to protect?
Around the church, cemetery and the moor, also canal and nature reserve.
Brickyard chimneys, church, pinfold school, playing field.
Brickyard, conservation area (needs improving).
Cannot isolate one
Cannot think of any.
Childrens play area
Church and Market Cross.
Church and surroundings.
Church, Brickmakers Chimney, Canal, The Moor, playground (extend?), playing field.
Church, Butter Cross. The green open land.
Church, Cemetery, Playing fields etc.
Church, develop Chesterfield Canal to improve view around Canal.
Church, last pub in village, school. Old Manor House
Church, Manor, and all the older buildings.
Church, Manor, views over open countryside.
Church, Mounting block on Gringley Road, Green on High St.

Church, playing field.
Church, river frontage, canal.
Church, Sports Field, Green Spaces.
Church, St Marys.
Church, trees off Fountain Hill Rd into village, school, moor.
Church, vicarage, Manor House, Old Station House, views from Fountain Hill.
Church, Village Hall and Playing Fields. Cemeteries and War Memorial.
Church, Village Hall, Properties with historic heritage.
Church, Village Hall, Public house.
Church, Village Park and Village Hall. The Old Brickworks.
Church.
Church.
Church.
Church.
Country lanes, e.g. Caves Lane, Brickyard Lane should be left unspoilt.
Evidence of ridge and furrow cultivation in field behind school. Field by Chapel has stream used by wildlife, also hedges used as bat corridors.
Existing green space.
Existing trees, hedges, verges should be protected and encouraged.
Farmland views where possible. No building near the Oil storage depot, due to flood risk.
Field next to Chapel. Land enclosed by South Moor, West Moor and North Moor should be purchased and made a park/leisure area.
Field opposite village school field between North/ West/ South Moor Road.
Field views.
Fields
Footpaths
Green space behind Chapel.

I feel it is very important to safe guard by protection and improvement, the immediate views (close aspects) of Walkeringham, as you approach it on the five entrance roads. The best three of them, Gringley Rd (from the west), the A161 (from the South), Beckingham Rd) and Fountain Hill Rd (from the N W) are particularly attractive and vulnerable now that the village envelope for development seems to have been abandoned by planners. They are in danger especially from housing developments but also from over grown hedges, obtrusively large often self set trees, poor maintenance of highways, paths, verges, hedges, weed control and poor signage.

Moorland at the centre of the Walkeringham i.e between West Moor, South Moor, North Moor and High Street.

Nature reserve and surrounding area.

No

No.

None, other than a village landscape.

None.

None.

Open views around the village.

Our fields.

Parish Church

Playing field/ amenities and Village Hall.

Playing field/ mature trees on roadside.

Playing fields and play equipment.

Playing fields. Christmas tree corner.

Protect all existing buildings, places, views and landmarks.

Protect all we have.

Protect greenbelt, green area and village spaces such as community sports field.

Remains of Market Cross Manor House Church.

Retain as much 'greenfield' as possible. Don't interfere with existing pathways.

School, last pub in village, Manor House.

School, village hall, church, nursing home.

Shop, pub, school and church.
Sports field/village hall.
St Mary Magdalene Church! Canal Bank, River Trent Bank, Village Watercourses, School, Village Hall. Manor House, Village Pub
Station house, church, chapel, Alms houses, school, pub.
Telephone box.
The ancient Ridge and Furrow land adjacent Millbalk.
The Butter Cross.
The Church
The church and monument. The Brickworks Chimney. The Pub.
The church and open fields
The church and school.
The church and surrounding features, The Lychgate.
The church, station/ station house/ station yard manor house.
The Church, The Nature Reserve.
The church.
The church.
The Church.
The Church.
The church. The sports field and the area in front of OAP bungalows where Christmas tree goes.
The field across the Station Road and river bank.
The green fields along North Moor Rd, church, village hall, space, fields down Station Rd.
The last remaining pub is important to keep. Area around the school, to enable children to see green space, cows grazing etc. Park and playing fields must be maintained and enhanced.
The local church, also Station Road. Outline plan permission given for field opposite terraced houses, fight should continue.
The moor, around church, Pinfold.

The Moor, Church(es), Memorials, field on High Street (open space). Play area and football field.
The Moor, Church, Pub, Conservation area, Village Hall, Playing Field.
The Moor, Church, Pub, School.
The Moor.
The Moor.
The Moor.
The Moor.
The playground and field. The community centre. The local pub and its grounds.
The school area, North Moor Road, High Street and all the lowest parts of the village, the Chapel.
The site adjacent to the chapel should be protected, it is part of rural life.
Trees along High Street. The Buttercross.
Trees and open grass
Trees.
View from Gringley Road top looking across fields towards Doncaster and Scunthorpe. View from Caves Lane across open fields towards the village and Misterton.
Views not considered important b any planning officers! No one has the "right to a view"! Church/listed buildings/school, outside space, playing field.
Village church and cemeteries.
Village church and surrounding footprint.
Village Church, Village Hall
Village hall/ field.
Village playing fields.
Village spaces.
Walkeringham playing field.
Whole village!
Yes, church, nature reserve, open spaces.

Yes, church.

Yes, land, presently a paddock to the south of North Moor Drive. Green open space.

Appendix 2 – If you have any additional comments to make please feel free to do so in the box below

1) Developing should be allowed for affordable developments to replace the original 11 homes which is now down to 5 in the Walkeringham Hamlet down Brickyard Lane. 2) Every assistance should be given to the proposed developments on the old brick works.
1. Safe cycle paths, especially to Gainsborough possible along to of Trent Bank. 2. Fly tipping becoming a problem at bottom of Oaks Lane.
1. Too many vehicles being parked on roads and footpaths, this causes problems for buses and HGV's. 2. Village shop needed (possible village hall?). 3. Need for good quality pub with restaurant (e.g. such as Ferry House Inn at East Stockwith). Two such pubs in village demolished. 4. Post office mail box needed outside of Village Hall.
18) Sidsaph Hill/ High Street is a bus route and does not get gritted. Drains at top of Sidsaph Hill need cleaning out more regularly not safe because of parked cars. 20) No bench at River Trent for walkers- can we please have one. 3456) Is there any point in building new developments when properties in the village are not selling, several properties have been for sale for over 2 years. Need more facilities first e.g. shop etc, to encourage people to live in Walkeringham.
5. Very few bungalows available for existing Walkeringham residents to downsize and retire to. They move on to other villages i.e. Beckingham. 9. Sorry, don't understand the question. 15. Speeding through the village needs addressing as a priority. 25. Not sure what we could offer for tourists in the area. Previous pub with B&B obviously not sustainable (Brickmakers Arms), another site lost to housing.
A bypass to the East of the village would relieve traffic pressure coming through the village. Definitely no Pikey/ traveller camps. No more street lighting.
A grocery shop/ post office would be useful.
A village hub/green would be great. Maybe adjacent to the school. Possible new build for shop/PO/Village Hall/units? Area to enjoy, trees, picnic tables etc a place to meet. Really should push to integrate the nature reserve into the village. Negotiate public footpaths with adjacent field owners. Parish should take ownership of grass verges/hedges e.g. possibly it would be great to see it smartened up.
All utilities require upgrading.
Any additional comments
Any building plans will require major upgrade to infrastructure electric supply and sewage. A road calming scheme and crossings on the A161.
Any future changes in the village, including development should be sensitively considered in the long term interests of the rural community and the countryside. The village population are here because they like it that way.
Any future development should first investigate flooding and any increased road usage.

<p>Any new developments should include landscaping and screening to lessen the impact they make. Green spaces should be kept in the village. Wildlife should not be expected to live in 'Preserve', stop vandalism of hedges and verges by cutting at the wrong time of year. Hedges should be cut in Winter, January/February./</p>
<p>As few houses as possible! Ensure the continued peace and pleasantries of the village. Make a proper village green available. Erect interesting and inviting village signs on entrances to village as do most other villages in Bassetlaw! Refrain from many ugly or detrimental changes to the village.</p>
<p>As previously stated, concerned about planning permission given for houses opposite Home Farm on the south side of Station Road, would not object to small scale development running at right angles as further down, but proposed development is totally contour to existing village. Would like to see a local shop, possibly similar to the one at Clarbrough.</p>
<p>As the moment the whole character of the village is under threat from the number of opportunistic large scale housing planning applications that are being submitted. These should be resisted. The village doesn't have the infrastructure/services to cope.</p>
<p>Better place for the children to play. Better equipment for them and more central to the village.</p>
<p>Big developments (i.e. 32 houses being passed for planning permission on one plot!) Should not be planned for such a small village. We don't have a shop, which is far more important, as is a Post Office. Walkeringham is a fantastic Village but more development through local businesses is needed and more community spirit would be desirable.</p>
<p>Biomass plant and Anaerobic Digesters need to be sensibly placed taking into account increased road traffic, possibility of pollution and to blend into the landscape.</p>
<p>Both village shop and pub vital for Walkeringham to bring the community together. People are travelling outside these facilities which is not providing employment within the village and not very eco-friendly. A nice pub offering catering and parking would attract people in to the village both to visit and to live.</p>
<p>Dog fouling of grass verges have improved since posters have gone on display and dog foul bins provided for owners to clean up, but Walkeringham being a horse village the law does not apply to them. Horse fouling over the past couple of years has become steadily worse with no deterrent. I think the owners should be treated like dog owners and made to clean it up.</p>
<p>Grass cutting more frequent, heavy lorries e.g. Len Royal heavy farming vehicles, speed and weight restrictions through village needed. Speed deterrents e.g. Fountain Hill Road and road near manor house. Dyke better maintenance required. More street cleaning. Bin collection to return to weekly.</p>
<p>Having been a resident of Walkeringham for most of my life and my great grand parents and grand parents originating from here it is important to me to retain the history i.e. manor house, railway station (used to live there) and the church and village cross. Thank you.</p>
<p>Having moved here 4 years ago a while ago I was in Gainsborough and unable to access the Trent Bridge as it had been closed by police. I find it unbelievable that I had to go to Scunthorpe in order to get back to Walkeringham. Speed limits of 30mph should be enforced around the village.</p>

<p>Housing is needed in village to locations, to grow the overall districts/ county's however only basic amenities are necessary our towns still need to remain the hubs with good road links and public transport. I would be disappointed to see our quaint villages grow into mini towns and our already struggling market towns further decline.</p>
<p>I am for more houses in the village as we need younger people and young families to move in or the village will continue to die. However, young families need a school, shops and a good style playground away from the main road. The return of a nice village pub would be good. More houses, more young people, more facilities, more circular walks, develop the canal. Lots of possibilities, but people will only come if there are more jobs in the area.</p>
<p>I believe development is required to marry up the East and West side of the A161 and infill. I would hope the plan highlights to avoid development in the locality of the school, Chapel, North Moor Rd and High St with or without the proposed flood alleviation scheme. Development with consideration to design will enhance the village and encourage residents to take pride in tidiness prominently kerb appeal to visitors and newcomers. Development will encourage growth of new small businesses to facilitate residents e.g. shop, PO, hairdressers etc. Development will automatically generate revenue into the village by means of Community Infrastructure levy. The District Council charge developers £55 per square metre. There are 10,000 sq meters in a hectare, alternatively there are 4,046 sq meters in an acre. With a development plan the Parish Council can claim a larger proportion of CIL than they are already eligible for which can be invested back into the village for facilities such as street cleaning, verge weed killing, signage etc. Realistic development will benefit the whole community with the possibility of a school extension or even a newly built second pre-school or alternatively an upper primary school. Development should include provision for independent living of the ageing and elderly in a child free locality of the village which should be monitored by wardens.</p>
<p>I feel people living in Village locations would like to feel they still can have a life in the village without having to leave it. We spend a lot of weekends out of the village in Retford, Newark, Lincoln as they have amenities. Whilst these are cities and towns and can not be compared to Walkeringham, I feel villages like Everton have a nicer and more vibrant feeling than Walkeringham. We moved from the small village of Laughton in Lincolnshire and that welcomed a small new housing development which helped to bring a new vibrant air to the village. They held barn dances, fete's it was lovely.</p>
<p>I feel the village should be developed to bring it back into modern day living!</p>
<p>I think a permanent or mobile shop would be a good idea. Also make use of the canal, River Trent and nature reserve. Possible caravan site advertising the countryside walks around the Parish. They have worked in neighbouring villages.</p>
<p>I think generally the village works well, if a little behind the times. My main grievance would be the state of the road structure, especially near the Brickmakers site.</p>
<p>I was born in Walkeringham and have lived here all my life. I am exceptionally proud to live here and would have loved my son and daughter in law and my grandchildren to have been able to have afforded to live here. My dad was born here and so was my grandmother. It is a very special place for both myself and my family. I have seen many changes over the years, some good and some not so good (the demise of the Tree Horse Shoes Public House)! Please keep in mind the peaceful, lovely village Walkeringham is (and needs to stay)!</p>

<p>I wish to thank the Parish Council for presenting the questionnaire and I appreciate the amount of thought that has gone into the same document. I have only two comments to make which is in no way a criticism of the questionnaire, is it a little premature? We have no way of knowing what the future holds for England, we have Brexit, Devolution and a possible change in country boundaries. this could mean that any project could be lost because of change in political direction, having said that maybe it would be correct to lodge a plan "Just in case". One thing that is very important is that any development must have in place the infrastructure to support it before it takes place. PJB</p>
<p>I would like to see another proper shop and post office in the village and a regular live music venue for older people.</p>
<p>If the village expands a shop is needed i.e. Post Office and General Store. Too much emphasis is made of flood precautions, it was a one off.</p>
<p>Improvements to existing telephone system would be helpful not just faster broadband (if work is carried out/repairs we then tend to lose our line at the moment). Could we have more and/or closer exchange boxes? If they insist on building more houses in the village, whether or not they are wanted, we should at least benefit from improved services/infrastructure. A more modern pub serving good food would be nice.</p>
<p>It is disappointing that the Brickmakers was allowed to be demolished without any provision for new build at the time and the village is now left with an eyesore. This site should be priority. Our only remaining pub should be more appealing to families e.g. outside play area and meals offered.</p>
<p>It would be good for the village to have either a local shop or cash machine, as a lot rely on public transport and need cash before leaving the village which is not possible and causes problem's for everyday needs.</p>
<p>It would be good to have a more central playground and/or extend the existing playground so that it would suit a broad range of children ages. Perhaps include an outside gym and zip wire. Really miss the village store. Widen the pavements, especially along North Moor Road so that 2 people can walk alongside each other and use a double pushchair. If we need to build new homes lets use the brown belt land e.g. site of Old Brickmakers Arms and develop away from the flood plains. The houses should look aesthetically similar to present housing, not 3 storey town houses please.</p>
<p>It would be nice to have more use of public footpaths for horse riders.</p>
<p>Just like to see progress in a lovely village clean and tidy for all Walkeringham as always been very attractive village. I have always liked the village. I love peace and quiet, just moved in the area is wonderful. To enjoy such beauty, use to come with my mother and father to the Brick Makes Pub serves good ales and good food. Thanks.</p>
<p>Lived in village 18 months. Very disappointed no pub to walk to for a meal and that, the small shopped closed, so we now have to travel to access either.</p>
<p>Map of the existing footpaths would be desirable. Continuous footpath on one side of the road from Walkeringham to Beckingham (continuation of the footpath along side Stockwith Road). Reduction of the 40 mph limit on Millbault Road (The only 40 mph road in the village) which leads to the school. Placement of the Misterton place name in Misterton (on A161) instead of half a mile into Walkeringham. To avoid confusion of motorists not familiar with the area the street sign at the Newells Terrace roundabout on the A161 should read "Stockwith Road Walkeringham".</p>
<p>Measures should be taken to reduce traffic speed throughout the village but particularly on the 30 mph length of the A161</p>

More animal waste bins situated on walks. Question 6 is not clear. If I answer 1 not important this is incorrect, If I answer 5 this implicates it is ok to build?
More dog waste bins. Street lights on all around the Moor, they seem to be off after the care home and up to North Moor Road. The street is very dark un-lit.
More events at the sports field. Band, car boot, market, fun days, farmers market, Christmas market, bonfire.
No additional comments.
No doctors, small school, no petrol station or shop. Cars go fast up and down Station Road, no speed 30 mph no speed bumps to stop this.
Only let children from this parish attend the school. Not children from out of the district. Play park is in need of update. Post office and shop needed.
Other ideas: A skills bank. Tourist/boating development on the canal (Brickyard area?) Use the church youth group. Drama-writing etc groups. Current things needing improvement: The Conservation Area. Safety of road on Fountain Hill (traffic is too fast near the roadside houses). Badly need shop? Use local talent in jams/cakes/bread etc-sell/share manning shop.
Parking at the bottom of Sidsaph Hill an accident waiting to happen. Dog poo on paths round the Moor, play park in the wrong place. Pat on the back for the village hall, they are trying very hard to keep the village alive by events they put on.
People should feel safe within the village and free from crime. The elderly should have access to any services they need. Medical/ leisure. Young people should have club or facilities for activities such as sport, music, learning a trade or an instrument. There should be enough low cost 1/2 bed small properties to enable young people to get on the property ladder.
People with horses should have more road awareness.
Petrol station/ shop on the A161 would be both useful and convenient. Better access to Gainsborough side of Trent with footbridge more defined village centre.
Please remember to improve all facilities to cover the percentage increase in population, i.e. flood protection, drainage and sewage, amenities like a village shop and post office. Thank you.
Poor policing of the area, it is very rare to see either a police officer or even a P.C.S.O bearing in mind we pay a fair amount in council tax out here, therefore, in "value for money terms" it is virtually none existent. Dog excrement on both pavements in the village and on footpaths over the fields. Some owners even leave the bags with their pets deposit hanging on the hedge rows! Safer roadside verges, poor quality grass cutting. Bring back Mr Atkinson who kept the village very tidy!
Q15 Defined village centre. I agree that there is no natural centre to the village. It would be sensible to relocate the village hall to the land adjacent to the school and also relocate the playing field to that location too. Shaved off road parking would be of benefit to the school and village hall. Village social events could make use of the village hall and playing fields in one location. Additionally this is a safer location traffic wise and close to a bus stop. Q15

(cont) The existing location of the village hall could be sold off for commercial housing or alternatively used as a village shop. Q14. The Pub, whilst a private/commercial enterprise should be protected in some way, or supported.
Q19. Footpath on Sidsaph Hill is awkward for mobility scooters and prams and pushchairs.
Re Tourism-The Village had a great hotel, why wasn't more done before it was demolished. Re Tourism-The Three Horseshoes used to bring tourists from far a field to see their flowers-then it was demolished. The local shop/Post Office recently shut-after the horse had bolted comes to mind. Re horses-need to clear up their manure as dog owners are required to do. The questionnaire needed re-aligning as it was out of sync. Re a 'suitable time' for collection, how do you know what a suitable time is.
Retain as much 'greenfield' as possible. Don't interfere with existing pathways.
Road ramps to stop mad drivers.
Section4- Buildings, places (cont) There are 'listed' buildings in the old village nucleus around the church, which obviously need to be protected along with their associated out buildings and walls, but I feel that the whole area should have more protection. If we could create a conservation area, it might cover the following, the two scenic cottages facing south on Bird Croft Lane, Cross Lodge where the English Civil War Cromwellian soldiers victims of the battle of Gainsborough lie in rows, resting in relative peace (some having been evacuated and re-entered), the Elizabethan Manor House with its associated stables Victorian wheelgates of its former forge, 'Reliance Terrace' of worker 'cottages, the medieval church, the late Georgian vicarage and further along the Gringley church farm. If the area were to include Fern Villa it might protect the site from potential over development. Also the base of the Butter Cross would be included and the horse trough, now in serious danger of removal because of disrepair, we could also require an element of good design in any adjacent planning applications, within such a conservation area we could push for a visual upgrade with better street furniture, such as street lights and unobtrusive signage, road and footpath resurfacing and good maintenance (weeding, verge cutting and hedge trimming). This would also include lopping back over grown trees which spoil views even if they have TPOS on them. 14. Buildings and 25 tourism. We must do all we can to support and preserve our only remaining pub. 14 'Village spaces' Walkeringham has an open dispersed settlement pattern, driving in the past been pulled in various directions from the old nucleus near the church, in Victorian times towards the brickyards, down Station Road to the Station and towards the former Newell's engineering works. The result is that from most houses in this large parish people can appreciate open views and feel part of the countryside. This is part of Walkeringham's character and should be protected from potential massive over development. Section 6- New build should be:- 'Concentrated in one part of the village', evenly spread throughout the village. The question was very ambiguous and I am not sure I have ticked the right boxes to express my views. I feel strongly that there are various areas in the village where no housing development should take place. A) On land which flooded in 2007, regardless of dyke/ culvert work starts in October, until sufficient time has passed to test the new system. B) On any land where new building would increase the flood risk for existing residents. C) Obviously on the Trent flood plain (more than 1/4 of the parish area) because it is a designated flood area to save Gainsborough. D) On ancient burial sites and sites of historical significance such as the last remnants of the medieval strip '3 field' system. E) On areas with close proximity to the Stockwith Road kerosene depot. This facility, well inside our parish, is part of a national

pipeway and underground tank system, formerly M.O.D, but recently privatised, linking military and commercial airfields all across the country with refineries. A similar installation exploded in Essex 3 or 4 years ago, with a huge fireball and toxic black smoke which caused evacuation over a wide area. Luckily I believe no one was killed because it happened at night. There have been no new building developments adjacent to the dump since it was constructed during the WW2, but there have been barn conversions which have increased the number of dwellings by upwards of 10. Unfortunately, the sight doubled in size in the 1970's take it nearer to both Walkeringham school and particularly Misterton school. The fact that it has an annual siren and emergency drill (February) to comply with govt regulations, does little to allay my fears. Perhaps we should alert Misterton P.C to its volatility and our concerns. It is anyhow very unlikely that houses built on the North side of Mill Baulk Road would sell wee, as has proved the case with the Fox Covert Lane development on the Misterton side. This depot is a bit of a hot potato because residents do not wish to make much of it on account of their potential house prices. However, any neighbourhood plan which is disregarded it, would be doing the whole community and disservice. It also impacts on surface drainage through the shallow run off from the Hill Top site. F) We should address the problem of building being encouraged on a large scale on the eastern side of the A161. The dangerous nature of this road can not be over estimated. Serious accident happen on a regular basis, two this summer (one with life threatening injuries). It may be that motorists speed and misjudge the severity of the bends. Strips placed across the surface in Feb 15 checked the volume and speed traffic passing through the Manor House. This established a need for a traffic calming interactive illuminated sign, which is still not in place. When this happens it may help, as does the emphasis on the 30 mph red road markings approaching the village, but it is in no way going to solve the basic problem of a long series of blind bends, snaking through the village, being narrow with narrow pavements. There is no safe place to cross this road, even with a strongly enforced 30 mph speed limit. There is a case for Walkeringham by-pass, but this is now scuppered because the only obvious route has been passed for having development. There are also difficult junction 'pull outs' on to it for motorists. The worse is at the end of Bird Croft Lane where you dice with death, may be it ought to be made 'one way'. It is also bad at the exit from the Fox and Hounds with traffic approaching front he right disappearing into a 'blind spot!' Station road, Sidsaph Hill and the southern end of the old Stockwith Road are all difficult and dangerous, especially when service and school buses stop opposite the Fox and hounds, completely blocking one carriageway of the A161, making a mockery of sight lies. Obviously we can not ban odd infilling of houses down and off Station Road, but I do not think it should be encouraged as an area of possible development. Apart from a letter box, there are no village facilities on the eastern side of the road and we are increasingly exposing both pedestrians and motorists to unacceptable levels of danger, accessing the rest of the village.

Shops and pubs for everyone to access.

Small scale development should be encouraged particularly small infill developments which would not impact too greatly on the existing village infrastructure or general feel the village.

Speed of traffic on Fountain Hill Road still needs addressing.

Speed up installation of flood prevention scheme. Reinstate the Three Horse Shoes Pub, wrongfully demolished for personal gain.

Speeding cars and lorries through the village need to be controlled. Too many accidents occurring, particularly at the entrance to the village from Gainsborough.
Speeding traffic is an issue in Walkeringham. Cars and lorries do not slow down to 30mph when entering the village. My daughter crosses the main road to catch the school bus early in the morning and sometimes it is very dangerous. There is need for a local village shop also, 2 days a week is not good enough.
Support Mistertons plans for a rail halt.
Thank you for giving us the opportunity to make these comments, we appreciate the amount of work involved in consulting all households in the village.
Thank you for the opportunities which this plan creates, an ideal time for the whole village to have a say, and thank you for those who are working hard on our behalf. An urgent request that the residents give due consideration to the preservation and maintenance of St Mary Magdalene Church, Walkeringham.
The beautiful village needs to grow, in a sympathetic way, before it is left behind.
The childrens park needs investing in and updating to make the facilities suitable for older children. Also a path or easier access for disabled access to the park would be preferable (Accessible park equipment for children with disabilities would be preferable).
The Government has got it wrong. We don't need more houses, we need fewer people. The village does not need any more 3 storey town houses, of the kind blighting the North East end of the parish. We don't need yet more lower speed limits. But some sensible enforcement of existing ones would help. Can Newells Terrace have it's interactive speed sign back please. Infrastructure should be ahead of development, not years behind.
The Nature Reserve has potential to be developed. It seems to be maintained by the Wildlife Trust though not extensively. Perhaps if it was better maintained more visitors would be attracted to the site. I'm guessing it is maintained by volunteers? Could the village be more involved in its 'development' keeping it attractive?
The play park requires upgrading, we currently drive to Misterton Park which puts ours to shame. We have some great events at the Village Hall however they need to be more widely advertised. Speeding on the roads alongside school is an issue especially at pick up and drop off times, in particular tractor driver! We are not apposed to building in the village just not on a huge scale. What we don't need are huge developments which are left unsold as they are not in demand.
The school should encourage children to walk to school rather than the parents taking them in cars and parking everywhere and blocking residents driveways.
The stream running along the High St through the Gringley Road should be cleared more regularly of water cress type weed. This weed seems to encourage blocking of this stream and would prevent flooding risk on normal rain fall up to extreme conditions probably never preventable. The church should have funds attached to local rates for its maintenance other than the clock which is an asset to the village.

<p>The suitability of any plan for new homes has to be considered on merit of size plot, facilities and location. A pure limit of "2-5" or "11-25" is not helpful. When does "Greenfield" become "infill"? The village needs a new "centre" a shop, a family pub, a coffee shop? Explore possibility of "community shop". Near marina on canal, if done well, could provide much and detract little?</p>
<p>The village does not need anymore housing development. The three house shares was demolished and built on. The Brickmakers has been demolished and is still waiting to be developed. Misterton has land set for development and is still not built on i.e. Old Newells site. There is development land in Beckingham that is up for sale and not built on, there is not enough infrastructure in the village to cope with large housing developments. The doctors surgery is struggling enough. Please put the village before the profit, our services are struggling to cope.</p>
<p>The village is dying, the village needs life put back into it. Any large developer has to put something back into the village other than houses, i.e. a coffee shop/small shop etc. A better hut is needed on the sports field, it could be made bigger and a social hall/bar etc be built in.</p>
<p>The village is only sustainable as it is without further infrastructure. School and sewerage works. Looking at the area no builder will take on major development never mind anybody's unrealistic targets. Who is going to buy the houses, where are they going to get the jobs to pay for them. Mention social housing and that's the death knell, sure there is plenty of people to fill them who won't pay their rent, breed like rats and expect the taxpayers to pay for them. And specifically 17. Can only extend to deal with extra demand. 18. North moor Road is given secondary priority and is lethal during frost. 20. There only appears to be three walkers capable of getting out of their house. 22. Without creating Bridleways there is enough room as it is. 23. Only appears to give car parking for anyone stealing from The Brickyard. 25 What is tourism going to look at. The residents don't appear to be of any scientific interest which leaves the usual pub and church. One is totally uninteresting but the older has some architecture gives a choice of sin or sanctuary.</p>
<p>The village needs a shop and post office/ mobile shop, especially for the elderly. Hub of the community.</p>
<p>The village school does not seem to be for village children, judging by the amount of cars outside the school dropping and collecting children. This is the only time I feel the roads are not safe. I do not want the school extended to accommodate more children and cars from outside the village. New houses in both Misterton and Gringley with better facilities than Walkeringham including a pub are not selling. So why build here? I think we will destroy the village feel with housing estates.</p>
<p>The village shop has shut, the pubs and hotel shut, both for having developments. Developers do not care about the local community only making money. This survey is too late and a joke, has this really been commissioned and money spent on it? Developers will develop whether the community want it or not. We moved to the village because it is small and quiet. Do not develop.</p>
<p>There are 72 houses on station Rd and out of that only 9 houses can not get super fast broadband ours (no 13) one of the 9. I feel this is unfair and needs someone to get this over to the right people. We are connected to cab 1 at Misterton when we should be cab 9 in Walkeringham.</p>
<p>There needs to be another link over the Trent Bridge I have been advised that it takes 3 attempts to go over the bridge. This is too long. I would like to see part buy part rent properties. A politician said on TV we need more council properties, not everyone wants to live in council properties or are unable</p>

to due to personal circumstances. Owning your own property gives you a sense of pride, it seems to be in Bassetlaw you have to be very rich or poor, there is no housing for people in between. There needs to be a solution to the speeding on Stockwith Road.
There should be more substantial housing development in the village to provide opportunities to everyone.
This is a village, please don't go and make it a town. We moved here because it is a village without the hustle and bustle of shops and traffic. I am happy to travel to a shop/ work this is the attraction of Walkeringham. However a small coffee shop/ store within the village hall would be of benefit for the older occupants. P.S don't let greedy land owners sell off every green space for large housing developments.
This questionnaire has been completed in good faith although the document does not indicate who has prepared it or who is actually collecting the data. Is it on behalf of the Parish Council? or is it the green party? Horse riders should be made to clean up their horses excrement (as per dog owners). There is an excessive amount on the village roads!
Traffic entering Walkeringham via Gringley Roads needs speed restrictions such as speed bumps. Road is 60mph to 30mph which needs gradual reduction to residential estate where children/walkers/cyclists regularly use the road. Significant risk to villagers. Fox and Hounds is in a primary location to be a good local pub with good food for locals and passers by. If you want to welcome new people into the village you need to modernise the pub to welcome new faces.
Travel and snow. I feel the poor gritting along North Moor Rd is unacceptable, when the school buses have to go through the village the roads just aren't safe. Also people who have to get to work on snowy days (I'm a district nurse and have to get out of the village to see my poorly patients). ?Find the poor gritting in the village diabolical. We are not in the Peak District , we have 2 busy roads either side of the village, so why aren't the residents of North Moor Rd catered for with a gritting system?
Under present circumstances the village is very acceptable. Most improvement areas are in the hands of the occupiers, rather than the DC/
Village needs to retain a Village Hall and playing field but not necessarily in their current positions.
Village shop, hourly bus service to Retford.
Village would benefit from better grass cutting/husbandry of verges around. The A631 Trent Bridge is in desperate need of upgrading/replacing with better traffic flow control.
Walkeringham is a pleasant village with a friendly and safe environment, which we must not lose. It would be enhanced by having a few more facilities i.e. a cafe, shop, hairdressers, B&B/Hotel accommodation. The development of the Marina site and improvements to the Nature Reserve (and the footpath access to it) would both be good for the local economy and the well being of its residents. Small housing developments of mixed types on previously used areas would be an improvement i.e. where the Bricklayers Arms site was.
Walkeringham is a safe place to live and unspoilt. It would be sad if large housing developments like Gringley on the Hill were allowed. It needs small affordable houses.

Walkeringham needs a shop, general provisions urgent.
Was very disappointed to know that the proposed development at the Brickyard Lane is on-goingly delayed. It should be a big asset to the village. I note that Brickyard Lane is excluded from the map.
We encourage development and want to see any building done in sympathy with the existing village footprint. No large scale developments. A shop and a pub serving coffee and food. Protect green spaces!
We need better facilities on he playing field for both older children and football/sports teams (to match the surrounding villages). To encourage young people to feel part of the village. Some sort of small shop is needed including a Post Office, especially for the older generation who may find it harder to get around.
We think that there should be speed checks through the village occasionally. Down Station Road there are a lot of small children and the traffic speeds down and up we could do with speed bumps to slow it down. People parking on the paths with vehicles, elderly people are having to walk down the roads, people with pushchairs and also anybody using a mobility scooter.
Whilst having only lived in Walkeringham a matter of weeks, the village seems to be adequately developed housing wise without having spoiled its rural character. Further development would spoil it and add problems with more vehicles etc. Other than that I am not in a position to comment further.
Why can't the playing fields be placed in a more safer place. Living across from the car park we see how sometimes some of the cars that turn off the A161 down Millbault Lane at speed and on wrong side of the road, any child in the park running out or walking out would stand no chance.
Why not put the playing field in for planning permission and if successful purchase the field on North Moor Road 0.5 5080 owned by Mr Bernard Whitney. This in my opinion would make an excellent playing field and hopefully with the district council you could finance any work or building required through them.
With the expansion and improvements made to the village school, priority should be made to encouraging families to come to the village over and above professionals and businesses.
Yes I feel there is no community in this village anymore. Took away 2 good public houses. Past a shop, post office not such a good bus service either. My daughter left home at 18 she now is 48 years old, to travel as she could see then what was happening around here, no work. It's aright doing all this but young people need work badly. Industry in the local towns not schemes all the time WORK. P.S I am sorry if you feel I am going on, this ought to have happened a long time since. Mrs M Flaw