Landulph Parish Neighbourhood Development Plan

Public Consultation 2 - May 2016 Open Day

Overview of information gathered.

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1. Introduction

Summary of event

Using Public Consultation 1 as a guide, the Steering Group planned for an Open Day Exhibition in May 2016 at Landulph Memorial Hall. The aim was to provide information about the nature and purpose of Neighbourhood Plans together with the results of the discussion groups as well as seeking further input from the community.

Display boards were set up detailing the intention and nature of the Plan and inviting the public to express their views or comments. Members of the Landulph NDP were on hand to answer questions. People were invited to write comments on post-it notes and attach to the relevant board and to write additional comments on pieces of paper or send a letter. The views of all residents and businesses were invited. 120 people attended, 60% of whom indicated on entry that they had not attended any previous consultation events.

The following analysis and Report, published in July 2016, details 539 comments and suggestions arising from the Open Day Exhibition. Comments about development made it clear that there was no desire for any big estates to be developed in the parish, that small scale developments were preferable and that development should be aligned and viable with the current infrastructure. Other issues raised included road access, parking, continued access for the general public to all parts of the river and quayside, facilities in the parish, and public transport. It was suggested that a Housing Needs survey was needed to determine the need for Affordable Housing.

Overview

A significant number of comments were received in the form of post-it notes put on individual boards in response to particular areas of questioning. In addition attendees were invited to put comments into a sealed box. Also some individuals who were not able to attend the event in person took the opportunity contact members of the committee through other means including emails and written notes and these were added to the comments box.

The overall response in terms of individual items of information from the day is summarised in the following table:

Post-its off boards	521
Out of comments box (inc. E mails and letters)	18
Total	539

It should be noted however that many of the comments posted on the boards and in the comments box had multiple themes included and these have initially been extracted into a summary of the topics which were actually mentioned in them on the day. This summary is outlined in the following table:

	Comments	
Topic	n %	
Housing	192	26.1%
Roads & Car Parking	143	19.5%
River	71	9.7%
Pub	64	8.7%
Public Transport	47	6.4%
Shop / new facilities & amenities	38	5.2%
Quality of life	32	4.4%
Business Development	30	4.1%
Lighting	28	3.8%
Broadband	19	2.6%
Young people	17	2.3%
School	13	1.8%
Renewable Energy	12	1.6%
Complements to committee	9	1.2%
Horses	5	0.7%
Pets	4	0.5%
Noise	3	0.4%
Allotments / Community Orchard	3	0.4%
Other	5	0.7%
Total	735	100.0%

What we see therefore is a rich and diverse response which could on the face of it be seen as an indication of the level of interest shown against the various areas. The validity that can be attached to this however is low with some reasons for this being:

- some people may have entered the same thing on multiple boards and post-its
- some people simply responded 'I agree' to others comments. In these instances the exact same comment has been used twice in analysis. However some peoples comments may have been inadvertently led to a greater or lesser extent in these cases.
- there were far more questions about some topics than others and the comments overall will inevitably reflect that

A further difficulty with taking the results at anything other than face value is that the profile of the respondents is not clear but it certainly will not be representative of the whole community of interest in this Neighbourhood Plan. In some cases it is evident that people are answering on behalf of other groups who they may not be able to legitimately represent and in fact are tainted by what they would like to believe.

Great care must therefore be taken with any of the results of this exercise as the bias is unclear. It can however be a useful basis, as with the previous focus groups, in being indicative of additional lines of enquiry which need to be pursued, perceived truths that need to be confirmed and totally new lines of enquiry which need taking to the broader community.

What is interesting however from this top level overview is the interest in topics about which there was no enquiry made in the formal statements on the display boards. In particular a high level of interest was shown with respect to the pub in the village.

In the detail that follows each topic is dealt with in turn in descending order to the frequency of comments. It would be easy to say that this is then in the order of importance to the parish. However it must be remembered that some areas were not mentioned in the enquiry structure and therefore they may be of greater importance than suggested but the question has not been asked and attendees have not thought to bring the item up themselves.

Within each area sub-groupings appear. In some areas these groupings are represented by numerous comments and in these cases it is possible to give some numerical indicator as to the level of interest. In many however the numbers are very small and these can only be relevantly referred to in the general commentary.

In some of the following detail attention is drawn to certain elements by the use of bold type. Other areas use actual comment to emphasise particular points but the temptation to treat these as indicative to all others must be avoided. In all cases the overall narrative is more important in comparison to these individual markers which are to attract the eye only.

2. Main Results

2.1 Housing

Housing notes left overall: 192

	Comments	
Sub-topics	n	%
Location of development	62	26.2%
Occupants of new development	54	22.8%
Type of development	45	19.0%
Intensity	40	16.9%
Housing needs survey	11	4.6%
Other	25	10.5%
Total	237	100.0%

NOTE: Total of subtopics in each group will not equal overall as there is regularly more than one thing covered on a single note.

Location of development

The highest number of comments about any item were expressed with relation to building on the quayside. These responses were split between those who commented that there should be no building on the **quayside** and a slightly smaller number who suggested there should be limited development. A significant number of this latter group commented that there should not be overdevelopment which they perceive there is with the current proposals. A further comment suggested that there should be no development in any flood risk area, suggesting again the quayside should not be developed.

A significant number of comments suggested that development should take place on **brown-field** sites, and in particularly greenhouse sites were suggested. Some thought there should be **in-fill building** throughout the village and went on further to say that this could be phased over a period of time and matched to a more organic growth pattern in the parish. A similar number of comments suggested that development could be in close **proximity to the A388** but it was also pointed out in one comment that this could create an undesirable area being so far away from the centre of the facilities available, albeit closer to public transport links. There were a variety of individual responses with relation to the positioning of development which included:

- near the school
- within the village boundary
- not within the village boundary
- not to the north of the village

'Deter development of waterfront'

' We need to limit development of the quay'

'Small scale housing developments + infill only. Utilise redundant glass house site'

' should be nearer A388 to reduce traffic'

Occupants of new developments

The issue of **second homes** brought a considerable number of comments. Although the majority said there should be no second homes and some went on further to say that this would mean no new build second homes. Many also said that second homes should be acceptable but numbers should be limited. On the other hand a significant number said that there should be no restriction on second homes with some comments reminding that some second home owners retire to the village eventually. Others suggested that second homes should be acceptable but that they should pay more tax or make a contribution to the village in some other way. Further comments suggested that second homes provide work for locals but this was also disputed as not necessary.

A significant number of comments suggested that new development should be for **locals only** and this perhaps repeats the comments from the second homes questions. However a small number of comments went further and suggested that there should be some care to understand what people really mean by local. **Family** is also a word which features in many comments for proposed occupancy of developments.

'2nd homes are detrimental'

'We had 2nd home before retiring here'

'increase council tax on 2nd homes'

'only for people who live/work, were born here and intend to stay

Type of development

Several types of need were identified through the comments including:

- sheltered housing
- care home/residential home
- retirement apartments
- step down accommodation (places to downsize from larger homes)

but the majority of comment concentrated on the perceived need for **affordable homes**.

Mixed views were expressed with respect to some of the detail for such affordable housing.

Although there were comments relating to the need for rental property, another suggested that they should be for home owners as this was committing them more to life in the village. Some included comments that houses should be particularly for **young people** and others thought it should be to do with local needs, not just affordable accommodation. On the other hand there were reservations that affordable homes would not be sensible without better public transport and infrastructure. Also comments were made that the genuine need for affordable housing was dubious and another suggested that as reasonably priced housing does not sell anyway in the village why should we be considering building more? The idea of a **self-build** development was also put forward in order to make property affordable and valued.

One comment stated that the best development for the community would be to build a new pub.

'Affordable housing must be linked to the requirement in the parish'

'Reasonably priced properties have not been selling recently do we need more?

'low cost housing so people growing up in village can afford to stay'

Intensity

All comments about this were clear that there was no desire for any big estates to be developed in the parish. Most comments suggested that **small scale developments** were preferable. The majority of comments looked at the small scale developments being of a limited nature. Where this was expressed this was further defined as a size of between 6 and 15 houses. There were also however a significant number, although a minority, who thought the development should be in the form of in-fills only, not any form of actual estate development. The actual numbers for development clearly seem to be important to villagers with there being a lack of clarity as to who will decide what the numbers are and some concern that other developments, particularly in the Saltash area, may reduce or negate the real need for housing in the parish. Some comments went further to suggest that the profile of houses for sale normally in the vicinity suggest that demand to live here is actually low.

Only one comment suggested there should be no more houses built. Small numbers of helpful other comments also suggested that appropriate style, quality of building and energy efficiency were important considerations. Another mentioned that small scale development as in previously seen projects often include cul-de-sacs and care should be taken to include linkage, footpath/cycle ways if this avenue is pursued to avoid 'dead areas' and encourage community.

Housing needs survey

A significant number of comments suggested or implied that there needs to be a **detailed housing needs survey** carried out for the parish. Many other comments expressed a lack of knowledge which would be resolved by this so the numbers expressed at the beginning of this section regarding this sub-topic probably seriously underplay the real interest.

Generally it was thought that this survey should focus on local needs but not surprisingly there was concern that development actually should be aligned and viable with the current infrastructure, not necessarily what was seen to be needed. As previously suggested this needs to be considered carefully against other planned developments in the wider area. Great care will need to be taken with such a survey as there is some evidence that comments relating to identified need appear to be from third parties and therefore may not totally be reflected by those for whom the need is being expressed.

Other

Several other important factors were raised in comments with relation to development of housing in the village.

Car parking was seen as very important by some. In particular many comments confirmed that any new development must have **appropriate car parking** aligned to each unit. On a wider perspective some thought it was important for there also to be a village car park to support the development of the parish. There is more about parking in other sections.

Some comments raised concerns that there was a need for **facilities**, **community assets** etc if any build should take place but another

'Small scale
housing
developments
only please (i.e.
maximum of 6
properties in each
location)'

'Limited housing is good - 10-15 houses of mixed type mainly aimed at young families'

'Use infill for housing developments and do not extend village envelope'

'Need to determine if new houses are needed and if so local only'

'sufficient space to park cars so that roadways are kept clear and people aren't forced to park on the pavements as seems the norm with most new developments'

commented that it will only be with prospective development that this will be encouraged. With respect to the **style and type** of build there were only a few random comments made and these included:

- looks are more important than the type of house
- any looks/style acceptable
- they must match in (only two storey maximum)
- mix of designs

2.2 Roadways and Car Parking

Roadways etc. notes left overall 143

	Comments	
Sub-topics	n	%
Footpaths and cycle paths	55	29.6%
General road access	24	12.9%
Car park and parking	21	11.3%
Passing places	17	9.1%
Additional traffic	16	8.6%
Drivers	15	8.1%
Road width	11	5.9%
Speed limits	6	3.2%
Horses	5	2.7%
Hedge trimming	4	2.2%
Signage	3	1.6%
Tractors	2	1.1%
Other comments	7	3.8%
Total	186	100.0%

NOTE: Total of subtopics in each group will not equal overall as there is regularly more than one thing covered on a single note.

Footpaths and cycle paths

Footpaths were the most mentioned area with relation to roadways in the comments. Where mentioned the majority regarded footpaths in the village to be the most important factor that needs addressing, particularly the routes to/from the school. But a significant number also went further to include paths up as far as the main road (A388).

'Footpaths along main routes for walkers/runners.

There was some inference for the latter that this should not necessarily follow the route of the existing roadway.

Cycle paths also received a high level of interest, albeit less than footpaths, and a similar breakdown was seen as to whether these were generally in the village or as far as the main road.

'Path along the road to protect walkers/cyclists'

With relation to routes designated for non-vehicle access/use there were also a couple of comments relating to the possibility of the pedestrianisation of Fore Street and additional/improved **bridle paths**.

General road access

With the exception of one person a significant number of comments identified the **poor road access** to the village being a problem.

A few particularly commented that better roads will be needed if there is to be any development in the village or surrounding area and not surprisingly some also commented on the **maintenance** of the existing roadways, and in particular the need to control the situation with regard to potholes. Although most comments related to roadways between the A388 and the village, one further mentioned the fact that the junction with the A388 was unsafe, needing attention now let alone with increased traffic going from the main road towards the village.

There was however another view expressed by some, with one comment suggesting that our poor roads are actually protecting our local environment and another simply stating that the current road is one of the things that is positive in providing easy access to the main road network.

Although only specifically mentioned in one comment, several talked about the **impact of development** on transport and access. This recognition of the inevitable pressure on roads and what might be absorbed by the current infrastructure clearly presents concerns for current residents and there is an underlying suggestion that there will be a

need for a **transport/traffic impact assessment** aligned to the housing needs assessment before any recommendations are proposed.

One comment suggested that the roadway issue could be avoided if development was on the A388 (The Pasty Shop). However, although this site appears in several comments others are less sure of the appropriateness of this location as it is so far away from the main village.

Car park and parking

Parking brought forward an equivalent number of comments to that received about footpaths. Generally the comments fell into three categories:

- current car parking is inadequate particularly in Fore Street
- any new development must have sufficient car parking spaces attached to each unit
- there should be further **village parking** available for both residents and visitors.

A dedicated village car park was mentioned by some.

One comment suggested that multiple car ownership of those living in Fore Street does not help the situation but perhaps this is not surprising given the public transport situation.

Passing places

A significant number of comments related to the passing places on the main access road into the parish and the village. Although some 'Potholes need regular inspection and filling - some are really deep and hazardous

'Any chance of getting the potholes filled??? Road resurfaces??'

'road
infrastructure
cannot support
more vehicles
than we currently
have'

'Car parking to be made available to residents as well as punters'

' off road parking to maintain safe roads'

' just improve passing places'

individuals thought there should be more, others thought the current situation was acceptable. Overall better identification of passing places seems to be behind some of the comments along with being more **fit for purpose**, with only one person saying there should be better signage. A number of individual comments suggested that general understanding of /or imposition

' Priority system for the narrow parts of the roads

of a **priority system** on the narrow roads would be useful. A couple of people suggested we should simply formalise what actually happens now.

Additional traffic

The next largest number of comments were to do with the fact that many believe there should be **no extra traffic**. Generally this was seen to relate to the current village area but some also thought there should be no extra traffic in the roads to the village either.

Drivers

There were a significant number of comments relating to the driving **ability** of individuals, whether they were **courteous** and caring to other road users and if there was **compliance** to the rules of the road designated either by law or by signage. In particular when looking at the detail of comments speeding is seen as an issue. At the same time there was comment as to

'Careful driving would help' -'Maybe lessons in reversing would be useful'

the ability of some drivers to be on the road in the first place with reversing receiving a particular mention by some.

Road width

There were no comments suggesting that any of the road widths should be increased. In fact significant number commented that they should be **no wider**. Some comments went further to suggest that widening of the roads would in fact encourage speeding.

Speed limits

A number of comments related to the prospect of **reducing the speed limits** at various points through the network. Perhaps a needs assessment as previously suggested could consider this as well. Speeding certainly appears to be an area of interest to many as this is also mentioned with relation to the width of roadways and implied under poor driving comments. One comment particularly identified very large tractors speeding as a concern. Another comment suggested that as well as cars, vans drive very fast and this is problematic particularly for children on the school run.

Horses

A number of comments identified horses and their impact on roadways as an issue which requires some attention. Further the mess left on the roads was raised as an irritation and potential hazard..

'Hazard of unaccountable riders and horses

Hedge trimming

A number of comments focused attention on the problem with hedges in the roadways/lanes and that more regular attention is needed.

<u>Signage</u>

Although a few people suggested in their comments that there should be less signs which may lead to better compliance with those that are there, a similar number suggested there should be more

signs to cope with a variety of difficulties including the suitability of roadways, expectations and facilities.

Tractors

A few comments mentioned the large tractors now using our roadways in terms of the speed that they travel at (previously mentioned) and the mud/mess which they can leave, therefore impacting on the safety of other road users.

Other comments

Although the majority of comments fell into the categories previously headed there were a couple that did not but are worthy of mention as they may trigger some broader thinking in the community.

One comment from an individual who is generally happy with the roads, several that the development of **car share schemes** of various types might be a useful idea for the future. See the Public Transport section for more detail of this.

Another comment suggested that there might be a **delivery hub** where companies could leave items, enabling people to collect without increasing numbers of vans coming into the village. The ever increasing use of on line purchasing with delivery may again be something to be considered as part of a detailed needs assessment.

2.3 River

River notes left overall

71

	Comments	
Sub-topics	n	%
General Public Access River and Quay	44	61.1%
Keep view/riverside rural AONB		
etc	18	25.0%
Public amenity	7	9.7%
Other	3	4.2%
Total	72	100.0%

NOTE: Total of subtopics in each group will not equal overall as there is regularly more than one thing covered on a single note. Further in this case 7of the overall comments are reported in Housing as they were specifically about no development on the quayside.

Many comments related to aspects of the river and riverside. Some of this has already been covered in the housing section earlier in that a number of comments said there should be no, or very limited, development on the quayside.

Access

Many comments, the majority for this topic, confirmed that there should be continued access for the general public to all parts of the river and quayside. A smaller number of comments related specifically to access 'River access is key - the river defines the Parish and barriers to its access should be removed'

to the slipway on the quayside and that this should be available to the public. One comment went as far as saying that the pub owners should be forced to give access to this slipway facility.

View/AONB

A significant number of comments related to the high value that individuals put on the views when seen from the riverside and when

looking down at it, its rural nature and contribution to the area being an area of outstanding natural beauty. Some comments suggested that this status could easily be compromised and great care should be taken to ensure that this does not happen.

Public amenity

A number of comments considered the quayside and riverside with respect to the development of further amenities such as water sports as well as better walking facilities. At the same time current uses including sailing and walking should not be impacted by any future development. One comment even suggested that there should be a swimming pool on the quayside.

<u>Other</u>

Several other comments were made relating to the river and quayside. One was about valuing the clearing and management of the river frontage, the inference being that this should continue with any new scenario. Another raised concerns that farming topsoil was polluting the river. Finally one comment said that trees should be protected.

2.4 Pub

Pub notes left overall 64

These are not broken down by sub-topic as essentially they all said that a pub was needed in various ways.

Whereas there were no specific questions regarding the pub raised on the display boards, a significant number of comments were forthcoming indicating the value that is put on the local pub as a community asset/hub for activity. The majority of comments simply stated that it was needed and an essential part of the future of the village, particularly if the village is developed further.

A few suggested that the functionality of the pub could be combined with that of a shop and/or tea/coffee venue. A few other comments suggested that:

- the parish council should buy the pub
- the pub should be reinstalled in the Memorial Hall
- a new pub should be built (presumably as part of the development programme)

It should be noted that there was more agreement and comment on this than on any other individual sub-topic from the important areas of direct enquiry.

From this point in the report the format changes slightly. The amount that there is to say about subtopics is fairly small and although the numbers are presented these are not necessarily discussed individually as the relevance is as part of an overview.

Protection for water frontage in AONB area vital for Cargreen

The pub is the

hub!'

2.5 Public transport

Public Transport notes left overall

47

		Comments	
Sub-topics		n	%
Bus		36	75.0%
Car share type schemes		5	10.4%
Not needed		4	8.3%
Ferry/River taxi		3	6.3%
	Total	48	100.0%

The majority of comments relating to public transport are about bus services and the need for them, or an inference of this. Many comments went further to suggest that the development of better public transport would be essential to any ongoing development plan despite some others commenting that people appeared to manage very well at the present time without much in the way of services. Some suggested that services were not necessarily required every day and others that the priority should be for a service to Hatt or Saltash to connect with other public transport services. However it was also noted that if development was actually at or on the main A388 this would probably not be needed.

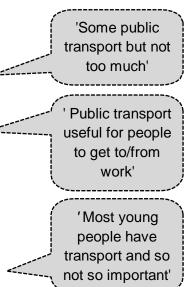
There were some notes of caution raised with the mention that Cottons had offered to run a community bus service but interest was minimal and that the current Waitrose bus was hardly used.

A couple of comments went further to say there was no need for additional public transport as everyone in the village has their own car.

Car sharing was raised in several of the comments under several different guises i.e.

- car share to the pub can be useful
- shopping car share would be valued by some
- there is a need for volunteer drivers to support local needs of non-drivers

A few suggested river transport could be useful either to Plymouth or more closer to home to the nearest station and pub on the river.



2.6 Shop/new facilities and amenities

Shop/new facilities and amenities notes left overall

38

	Comments	
Sub-topics	n	%
General store	26	56.5%
Tea/Coffee shop	9	19.6%
Lack of general amenities	4	8.7%
Library	3	6.5%
Other comment	4	8.7%
Total	46	100.0%

Although separated out in the following by functionality, some comments suggest or appear to be saying that a combination will be the best way forward for example, the Memorial Hall hosting a pub/shop/tea rooms. A significant number also suggested that the pub should accommodate a shop and other services.

Overall there is considerable support for a shop in the parish but the definition of this varies as to being village run, a community store or a shop. It is not clear from this whether the expectation is for a significant volunteer force being required as if that is the inference it would have to be carefully checked that volunteers would be available. Some raised concerns that the village will not in fact be attractive to young people after development if there isn't a shop and another commented that there was not enough business to justify one anyway. A number of people also thought that a shop should incorporate post office facilities.

A significant number of people commented that a tea/coffee shop would be a welcome addition to local facilities and some also thought that this could link to youth projects/activities.

At the same time a few individuals thought that generally there was a lack of amenities in the parish, yet some others suggested that if development was only limited there was sufficient in the way of amenities already here.

Eurther comments suggested that existing facilities could be used more. For example it we

'If there were more houses, a village shop. Tea shop for people to meet would be great'

' Pub with post office and a shop in it + good coffee so social space to catch up'

Shop great but wont have enough business?'

Further comments suggested that existing facilities could be used more. For example it was suggested that the Rectory Rooms could house a library and shop, while another suggestion was that the Memorial Hall could be used for more leisure classes with a further comment saying that it should become the main hub for the people of the parish.

2.7 Quality of life

Quality of life notes left overall

32

	Comments	
Sub-topics	n	%
AONB - Beauty - environment - peaceful	22	53.7%
Community spirit - supportive community - friendliness	17	41.5%
Safe	1	2.4%
Concern	1	2.4%
Total	41	100.0%

Two main overarching themes emerge with relation to the quality of life in the parish. The largest number of comments relate to the AONB with mentions specifically from some about the river and views of the river. The AONB status is clearly very important to many with people liking the views, the beauty and the environment and probably supporting one comment that we do not wish to turn the village into a town.

Community spirit in one form or another is valued by many. The parish is clearly seen as supportive and friendly with the inference being of an underlying self-generating feel good factor. Any potential change that may alter this should be avoided at all cost.

Other comments included the fact that the village offers a safe environment for children. Also raised however was a concern that living outside of the main village can make people feel isolated.

'Great sense of community. Like minded people who respect the AONB.'

'AONB. Like living in the midst of a family'

'Remember - we live in a
VILLAGE. You know where you're moving to - it is quiet, it is muddy, it is quaint - this is why we enjoy living here!!'

2.8 Business/business development

Business/business development notes left overall

30

	Comi	Comments	
Sub-topics	n	%	
Business opportunity	12	37.5%	
Internet/Broadband	9	28.1%	
Other Issues	11	34.4%	
Tota	al 32	100.0%	

Although there were a reasonable number of comments relating to business/business development there is little synergy between them. A few thought that there was a need for more **local employment** and that as a village we should **encourage small businesses**.

There was a suggestion that a new **care home** may create some employment and another that a **residential home and apartments** would do the same.

Two comments thought some form of village **job pool** arrangement would be useful to point local people to local ad hoc work.

Although as has been previously stated second homes are not popular, it was suggested that the owners create significant work for locals.

A comment suggests that livery appears to be a developing and thriving business in the parish but suggests that some of the responsibility which goes with this perhaps is being missed in terms of impact on the rest of the village/villagers.

A few comments specifically stated that there should be **no more industrial units** due to the large areas that these can consume. **Holiday lets** should be restricted despite the money they may bring into the village to support other things i.e. the pub , and there should be **no campsites or caravans**.

Current businesses identified **broadband** as being an issue in many places and that the phone signal is often not up to an appropriate standard. One comment stated that to improve business there had to be better access to "public launches".

Finally increases in business may well need to be supported by **better public transport** and another comment reminds us that the traffic impact of any such development will need to be considered carefully.

From this point where numbers become very small sub-topics are no longer separately reported but can be easily seen from the narrative.

2.9 Lighting

Lighting notes left overall

28

The majority of comments relating to lighting simply said there should be **no street lighting** in the parish.

There were however a small number of individual comments which said otherwise:

- there should be timed or subdued lighting in Hodders Way only
- street lighting should be early evenings only

A further comment simply warned in general terms about the issue of light pollution.

2.10 Broadband

Broadband notes left overall

19

The majority of comments relating to broadband said that it was poor and improvement was needed. A small number however did say the opposite i.e. that they had good broadband available to them.

A comment raised concerns that the Government promises which had been made with regard to the quality of broadband across the board may not be delivered.

A final comment suggested that it might be worth pursuing a village WiFi system.

2.11 Young people

Young people notes left overall 17

Several comments suggested that there should be more and improved facilities for children, particularly teenagers and older children. Specifically mentioned was that there was no **meeting place** and children had particular difficulty in winter.

Several suggested that there should be a **youth club** or somewhere where projects could be pursued. A comment suggested that the Rectory Rooms or Memorial Hall could accommodate this.

A comment suggested that there should be better **riverside facilities** e.g. availability of swimming, canoeing etc.

One comment confirmed that the broadband for them was fine and good enough to keep teenagers happy. However comments in previous sections not relating to young people suggest that this is not the case for all living in the parish.

A small number of comments thought it useful that the village find work opportunities for young people and in particular saw the pub as a potential place for teenagers to get some **work experience**.

One comment suggested that the housing needs survey needs to look carefully at younger people coming through with another saying there should be care over perceived demand. A further comment wondered that realistically would it be attractive for younger people to stay on in the vicinity without better public transport?

2.12 School

School notes left overall 13

All the comments which expressed an opinion about the school confirmed that it was **highly valued** and there was a need for it to continue. A couple of comments however said that it will need to be extended to deal with any significant development and warned that it should not be overloaded in the interim.

A couple of comments also recommended that any development should be near to the school site.

2.13 Renewable energy

Renewable energy notes left overall 12

A small number of comments mentioned solar farms with some pointing out that they were ugly and spoiled the area, and others more specifically that there should be no more built here. One comment however suggested that there could be a village-owned scheme for local benefit.

A couple of comments said that there should be no wind turbines in the parish.

A further comment suggested that renewable energy should be encouraged. A small number of others were keen that any development should not only be energy efficient but be carbon neutral. One even suggested that schemes like community heating should be included.

2.14 Compliments to committee

Compliments to committee notes left overall 9

A number of individuals commented specifically thanking the committee for setting up the consultation day and appreciating what the committee was doing in relation to the Neighbourhood Plan.

2.15 Horses

Horses notes left overall

5

A few people made a number of comments relating to horses in the parish. Some said that there should be an increase in the number of bridle paths made available to horse riders. Another acknowledged the business opportunity of livery which could be developed but further stated that this should be with more thought of the impact on others in the village.

On a more negative note some comments suggested that liveried horses made local fields look unattractive. Finally it was suggested that there was an increasing hazard of possibly unaccountable riders and their horses and increasing mess on the roads caused by them.

2.16 Pets

Pets notes left overall

4

There were a small number of comments relating to dogs. Half of them related to dog walkers who valued the fact that they could walk their animals in the vicinity. The other half simply requested more dog bins.

2.17 Noise

Noise notes left overall

3

A small number of comments expressed a desire to keep the area quiet, avoid increased noise and be wary of noise pollution.

2.18 Allotments/community orchard

Allotments/community orchard notes left overall 3

A small number of comments suggested the need locally for vegetable plots, allotments or even a community orchard.

2.19 Other

Other notes left overall

3

There were a small number of comments which do not fit readily into any of the other topic categories:

- One comment queried why the cricket pitch is only used for Saltash Cricket Club and suggested it should be a great venue for summer events.
- One comment suggested that there was a need for a public tennis court in the village.
- A couple of comments simply criticised the handwriting of others on their post-it notes.
- One final comment was from an individual who attended the event but actually said that they lived in Plymouth, not in the parish.