

EXTRACT FROM DETAILED ANALYSIS OF SURVEY 3

1. DESIGN CRITERIA FOR NEW BUILDINGS

- 75% of respondents stated that new buildings should be eco-friendly and built to be in keeping with their surroundings.
- 75% of respondents regarded provision for off road parking as **very important**
- The items below were considered to be **somewhat important**:-
 - Bin Storage
 - Garden space
 - Accessible for disabled people
 - Cycle stores
- Little support for new buildings to be modern looking and innovative

2. WHAT WAS IMPORTANT ABOUT THE LOCAL AREA?

- Open countryside
- Preservation of wildlife
- Low crime rate
- Network of footpaths, bridleways and green lanes
- Significant trees and hedgerows.

There was a degree of consistency across the parishes. However, **Abbotsbury** residents differed slightly in putting the **history of the village in their 'top five'**, **Langton Herring gave slightly greater weight to the sense of community and presence of community buildings**, and **Fleet residents selected the proximity to the coast, with its views and vistas, amongst their most important aspects.**

Proximity to local towns, followed by allotments and community gardens, whilst important overall, were the least important factors across the board.

3. WHAT'S GOOD ABOUT THE AREA (OPEN ENDED QUESTION)?

- The rural nature or natural beauty of the countryside
- The community spirit / friendliness (often linked to the small size of the village where a lot of people knew each other)
- The general tranquillity / peacefulness of the area.
- In Abbotsbury and Portesham the village amenities, such as the local pubs were highlighted
- The lack of traffic and dark night skies appeared in a reasonably high proportion of responses from those living in Langton Herring.

4. WHAT'S NOT SO GOOD ABOUT THE AREA?

- Traffic related issues was a key issue for many
 - Speed, volume and type of traffic covering motorbikes, HGVs, incorrect SatNav routing particularly during the tourist season
 - Inconsiderate parking causing congestion and safety issues
 - Lack of Public Transport
- Lack of affordable homes for local workers
- Impact of new development
- The unmanaged growth in tourism and second home ownership
- The ageing population – with an imbalance arising from more old people and fewer younger families in the area
- Few local job opportunities

5. WHAT ARE THE REMEDIES?

- More effective traffic management
 - Speed restrictions (such as proposals for a 20mph zones) to
 - HGV bans
 - More parking areas
- Better public transport
- Safer walking and cycling routes
- Caps on second homes

6. ICONIC VIEWS

- There was almost universal endorsement of the top four, both views of these and from these points
 - View to the coastline / Fleet
 - St Catherine's Chapel
 - Hardy's Monument

7. SHOULD THE NP SUPPORT RENEWABLE ENERGY SCHEMES?

- 87% of those responding in favour, and only 4% against the idea
- In relation to the type of renewable energy, the emphasis was more solidly on those options which would be less visually intrusive, with less support for onshore wind or commercial scale solar farms
- Ideally schemes should be community led
- Nearly 80% supported electric car charging points