

Barton St David

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SURVEY 2024



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16 questions – to identify the priorities of our village

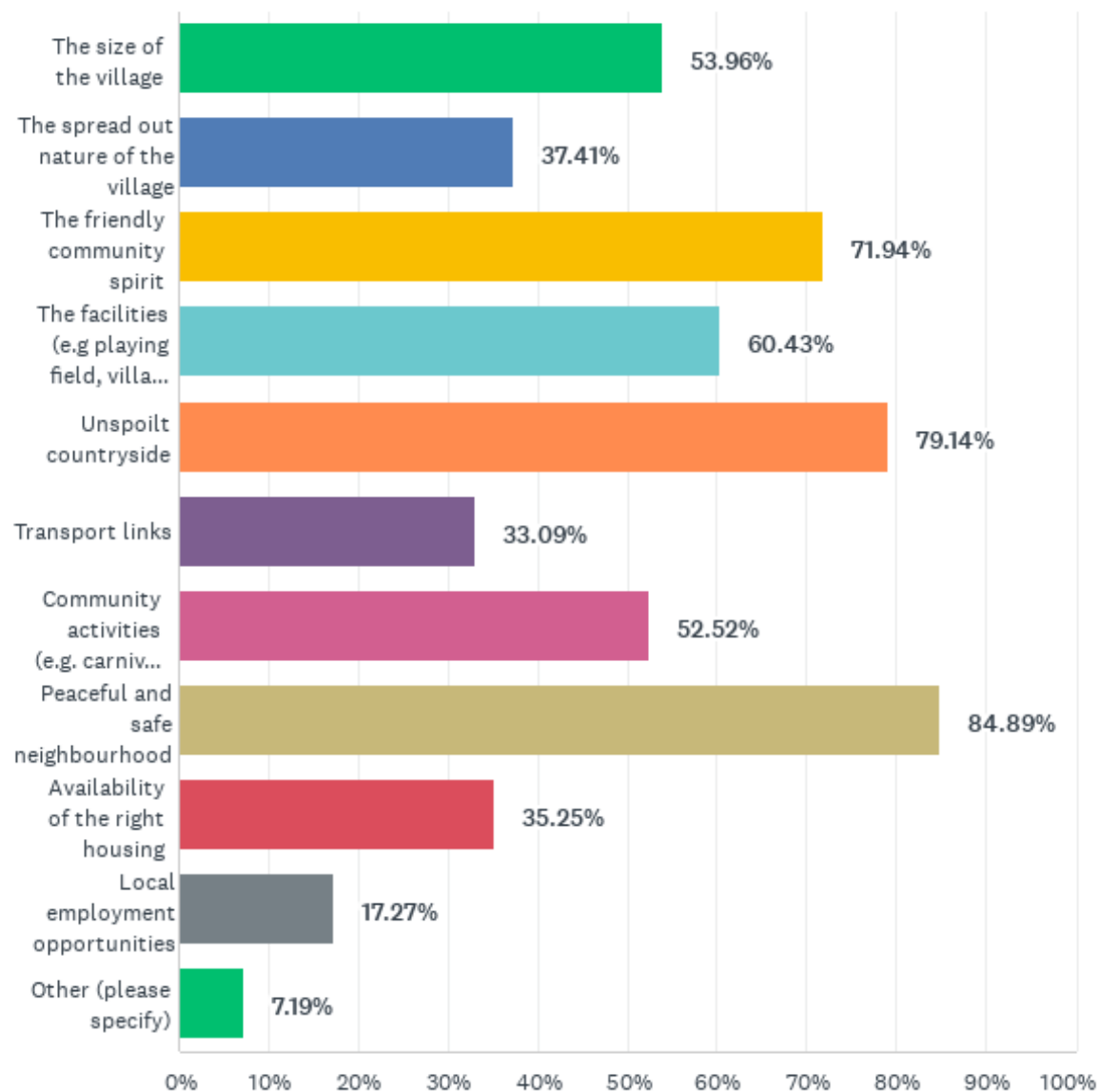
- Development, housing, business, services, facilities

Survey Monkey – live from May to end July 2024

- Hard copies also available

132 responses

Q1. Which of the following are the most important to you for making our village a good place to live.



Peaceful, safe

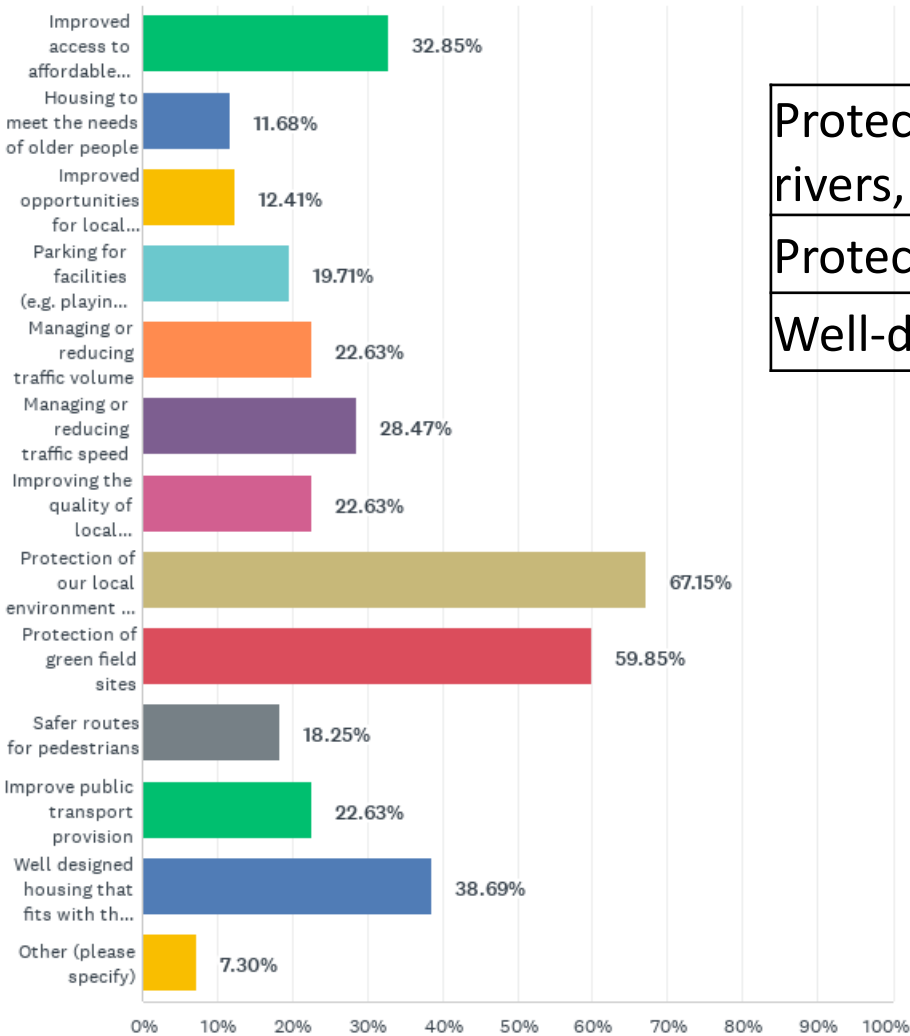
Unspoilt countryside

Friendly community

Q2. Which of the following characteristics of our village do you think are important to protect and maintain?

	Important %
Hedgerows and trees in the Village	98.5
Our existing Green Spaces (Stocks Green, Jubilee Wood, the Playing Field)	97.1
Public footpaths and droves	94.1
Undeveloped gaps within the village	87.2
Particularly dark skies and no street lighting	85.2
Local Blue Lias building stone, clay tiles	83.7
Small apple orchards in and around the Village	80.2
Traditional fingerpost signs	78.7
The spread-out nature of the Village	78.5

Q3. Which issues are most important to be addressed by neighbourhood plan



Protection of our local environment – open spaces, rivers, wildlife	67.2%
Protection of green field sites	59.9%
Well-designed housing that fits with the local area	38.7%

Housing

Q4. What type of new homes do you think are most appropriate to be built in our village

Small houses to purchase (1-2 bedrooms)	71%
Affordable houses for those with local connections*	62.6%
Large houses to purchase (3+ bedrooms)	32.8%

Q5. What kinds of development do you think will be most appropriate for new homes?

	Appropriate %
Brownfield sites (empty sites that have previously been developed)	93.9
Conversion of agricultural buildings	81.1
Several, small developments (3-5 homes each)	70.5
Individual homes only	65.1
Infill (houses built in the spaces between existing ones)	59.1
A few, medium developments (7-10 homes each)	34.1

*(affordable housing is defined by the government as 'social rented, affordable rented and intermediate housing, provided to eligible households whose needs are not met by the market).

Housing

Q6. What do you think should influence the design of new homes?

	Important %	Not Important %
Limiting the impact on the local environment and ecosystems	98.4	1.5
Off-street parking	94.7	5.3
Energy efficiency and eco-friendly technology	93.9	6.1
Local village style	93.1	6.8
No more than 2 storeys	90.9	9.1
Pavement access	63.6	36.3
Single storey	40.1	59.9

Services and facilities

Q8. Which services would you most like to see improved in our village?

	Percent
Mobile phone coverage	65.7%
Broadband	47.3%
Sewers and Drains	41.9%
Road and gutter clearing	38.9%

Q9. Which facilities do you think are the most important to maintain or improve?

	Very Important %	Fairly Important %
Playing field	89.1	10.9
Village Hall	83.7	14.0
The Barton Inn	74.8	19.1
Children's play equipment	71.7	27.6
Diamond Jubilee Wood	66.7	28.7
Church	50.8	36.2
Tennis Court	39.5	47.6

Note: Q7 asked service satisfaction giving same message as Q8

Q10. What additional services or facilities would you most like to see in our village

	Response Percent
Shop	67%
More facilities and activities for young people	51%
Allotments	32%

Business

Q11. Which of the following should your Neighbourhood Development Plan make provisions for to help support commercial development and employment opportunities within the village?

	Response Percent
Agriculture / horticulture	76.2%
Small business on a small industrial estate	65.1%
Working from home	54.8%
Renewable energy generation (solar, wind, Biomass)	49.2%

Q12. What do you think is most likely to help businesses locate and grow in our village?

	Likely % Total
Better broadband	90.5
More purpose-built premises	65.6
More parking	63.8
Land available to build facilities	60.7
A larger local workforce	56.4

Transport

Q13. What transport issues do you think are important to address

	Important %
School and college bus availability	92.0
Pedestrian safety	90.5
Availability of public transport	90.3
On-street parking in unsafe locations	88.9
Dangerous junctions	84.9
Speeding traffic	84.3
Community transport (carpools, car clubs, transport to doctors etc)	83.2
Large vehicles and tractors	73.2

Q14. How could your Neighbourhood Development Plan encourage greater use of sustainable transport (e.g. walking and cycling)?

Footpath maintenance (incl signage)	37
Maintain cycle & bridle network	19
Slow speeding traffic	11
Electric car charging	7

Volunteering

Q15. What areas do you think volunteering is most likely to be of benefit our village in the future?

	Very likely %	Likely %
Emergency support to village residents	54.4	39.8
Social events	49.2	41.0
Environment focused issues or activities	45.8	39.2
Elderly focused activities	43.8	47.1

In Summary

Q16. What would you most like to see the neighbourhood plan achieve for the village?

	Agree
Preserve character of village (incl appropriate architecture, materials, space)	43
More social / affordable housing, but controlled - no more large properties	38
Maintain community spirit - more clubs	30
Respect for environment & wildlife - stop greenfield development	16
Broadband for all; Improved phone coverage	11
Common sense decisions - real impact on decision process	11
Reduced traffic speed and large lorries	9