

1 TRAFFIC, TRANSPORT AND ACCESS

This issue created the greatest response and concern.

- 92% of responses (79 people) indicated that residents are worried about the roads being used as rat runs
- 87% worried about the volume of traffic
- 94% about the speed of the traffic
- 72% were concerned about the number of HGV's on the roads but 10% were not
- 61% were concerned about the number of black and/or blind spots on the roads
- 94% were concerned about the single issue of parking at Knockerhill above the garages

Comments made in responses identified further concerns relating to specific problems with parking and with particular roads, especially the proposed relief road which has been the subject of a separate consultation by the Parish Council. Suggestions were made as to the options of having access only into Callow, traffic calming measures and restrictions to HGV traffic.

ISSUE	OBJECTIVE	ACTION	CONTACT	TIMESCALE
Rat Runs	Control traffic volume Improve A465 flow into Hereford	Approach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police • Highway Agency/HC Consider options including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access only measures • Other solutions 	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	June – December 2012
Speeding	Traffic Calming	Approach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police • Highway Agency/HC Consider options including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chicanes 	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	June – December 2012

Knockerhill Parking	End parking on verges and Grafton Lane and A49 junctions	Approach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garages • Highway Agency/HC Consider options including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Double yellow lines 	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	Immediate
Amount of traffic	Control volume	Approach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police • Highways Agency/HC 	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	June – December 2012
HGVs	Access only	Approach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highways Agency/HC Consider options including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signage • Weight limits 	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	June – December 2012
Black/blind spots	Improve sightlines	Identify problem spots e.g. Dewsall/Callow corner Assess solutions	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	June – December 2012
Road Maintenance	Improve surfaces Reduce potholes	Approach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highways Agency/HC 	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	June – December 2012
Cycle routes	Good routes	A49 between the top of Callow and garages More development around the parishes		
Public transport	Improved and increased services	Recommendations to be made	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	January 2013 onwards
Horse Riding	Improved warning signage	Sites identified around parishes	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	A s a p

2 ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY

Respondents are keen to maintain and improve the environment of the parish

- 75% of responses (62 people) wanted planting in the parishes
- 79% felt the verges should be improved
- 50% would like a village pond but 33% had no opinion and 17% would not
- 65% felt other areas could be improved
- 91% felt fly tipping is a problem
- 37% felt environmental initiatives would be a good thing, but 27% had no opinion and 36% disagreed

In the comments, fly tipping was identified as a problem on all roads (in particular Tram Inn Road), particular areas were singled out for improvement, opinions differed widely on environmental initiatives including sites for planting and energy generating infrastructure.

ISSUE	OBJECTIVE	ACTION	CONTACT	TIMESCALE
Fly Tipping	Stop all tipping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More litter picks • Discuss with HC options for reducing/removing charges for tipping 	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	June – December 2012
Improve verges	Improve and maintain their condition	Approach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highways Agency/HC re. providing passing places 	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	June – December 2012 Ongoing
Planting	Improve the environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convene an Environmental Group • Approach Ecohere • Identify suitable sites • Get hold of suitable plants/trees • Arrange a planting party 	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	June onwards

Village ponds	Diversify the environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convene an Environmental Group • Identify suitable site • Arrange a pond building day 	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	June onwards
Dewsall Church access	Improve	Concrete track to ensure pleasant and clean access	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council Duchy Parochial Church Council/Team Ministry	September
Energy Initiatives	Consider district energy systems and community initiatives	<p>Geographic and volume considerations</p> <p>Cost/Benefit analysis</p> <p>No wind farm development to be agreed</p> <p>Community cooperation to achieve a reduction in energy costs and carbon footprint e.g. Group purchasing, biogas from farms</p>	<p>Environmental Group</p> <p>Other interested parties</p> <p>CLP Delivery Group</p> <p>Parish Council</p>	September onwards
Light Pollution	Reduce levels	<p>Ongoing liaison with Callow Garages</p> <p>Monitor proposals for new outer relief road</p>	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	Ongoing

3 FACILITIES AND SERVICES

A few main issues were identified

- 61% of responses (51 people) felt Callow Village Hall should be improved, 36% had no opinion
- 43% felt there should be more activities in the hall but 50% had no opinion and 5% disagreed
- 69% had no opinion on more facilities for young people but 29% felt that there should be
- 27% felt a village green should be created in Bullinghope, but 19% disagreed
- 52% felt a village green should be created in Callow, but 11% disagreed
- 90% would support a high speed broadband connection

There were many comments made about Callow Village Hall including a wish for a new hall, improved parking and various additional activities including film shows, craft classes, activities for the elderly and fitness classes.

Improved public transport was an issue for some as the current services encouraged greater car use.

The Parish Outline was mentioned as a valuable newsletter for everyone.

Some people were prepared to pay extra for a high speed broadband, depending on the cost.

ISSUE	OBJECTIVE	ACTION	CONTACT	TIMESCALE
Improve Callow Village Hall	Improved and welcoming facilities Car parking increased	Liaison with the Village Hall Committee	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council Village Hall Committee	June – December 2012
More activities in Callow Village Hall	Develop new and maintain current activities	Liaison with the Village Hall Committee Recruit more volunteers to run them	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council Village Hall Committee	Ongoing
More activities across the parish	To encourage more activities and people to organise them	Continue to advertise for ideas and events	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council Village Hall Committee	Ongoing

Village greens	Greens in both Bullinghope and Callow	Further consultation Develop greens if appropriate Identify potential sites – e.g. Adjacent to Callow Village Hall, near Bullinghope Church (as housing development planning gain)	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	June – December 2012
High Speed Broadband	Improved connections	Allpay already in place Keep watching brief re. further action needed Control of telecommunication masts necessary with landscape reports etc. required	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	Ongoing

4 HOUSING

Opinions on housing were divided

- 40% of responses (33 people) felt more housing was needed in the parish, but 18% had no opinion and 42% felt it was not needed

If more houses were needed

- 63% felt there should be starter homes, 15% had no opinion and 22% disagreed
- 69% felt there should be affordable homes, 13% had no opinion and 17% disagreed
- 58% felt there should be homes for the elderly, 19% had no opinion and 23% disagreed
- 82% felt there should be homes for local people, 10% had no opinion and 8% disagreed
- 20% felt there should be executive homes, 21% had no opinion and 59% disagreed

There were no additional comments.

The Steering Group recommend that this data is taken into account if a Neighbourhood Plan is considered.

ISSUE	OBJECTIVE	ACTION	CONTACT	TIMESCALE
Housing development	<p>Sensitive site-specific minor development (only in single figures and kept to a minimum) for parish gain and based on local knowledge and need:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homes for local people • Affordable housing <p>Improvement of the environment</p>	Keep watching brief by monitoring planning applications	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	Ongoing

5 LEISURE AND TOURISM

Respondents answered as follows

- 27% of responses (21 people) felt there should be more activities in the parish but 68% had no opinion and 5% disagreed
- 62% felt the amount of street lighting is adequate, 28% had no opinion and 10% disagreed
- 54% felt signs, signposts and other street furniture is adequate, 29% had no opinion and 17% disagreed

Comments about activities mirrored those expressed in section 3 Facilities and Services.

Some respondents thought that there was too much light pollution already.

ISSUE	OBJECTIVE	ACTION	CONTACT	TIMESCALE
More activities in the parish	Encourage wider range	Liaison with the Village Hall Committee and residents Recruit more volunteers to organise	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council Village Hall Committee Residents	Ongoing
Signs and signposts etc.	Siting of more grit boxes Siting benches More traffic control signs	Identify suitable positions Organise installation Consider other options including 'Unsuitable for HGVs' signs	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	Ongoing
Footpaths	Improve maintenance	Renew contract for Paths Maintenance	Herefordshire Council Parish Council	As soon as possible

6 CRIME AND SAFETY

The following responses were received

- 49% of responses (37 people) felt that having no Neighbourhood Watch in the parish was an issue, but 41% had no opinion and 11% disagreed
- 61% felt the lack of a police presence, but 33% had no opinion and 6% disagreed
- 40% felt household crime was an issue, but 52% had no opinion and 8% disagreed

Some respondents said that Neighbourhood Watch already existed in Bullingham. Other comments echoed the concerns about traffic (especially speeding) and a couple of specific areas were mentioned as bad for crime.

ISSUE	OBJECTIVE	ACTION	CONTACT	TIMESCALE
Neighbourhood Watch	To help residents be safer	Encourage residents to be vigilant and 'look out' for each other. Signage east of A49 Neighbourhood Watch was felt to be impractical in most areas	All residents	Ongoing
Lack of police presence	To help residents be safer	Arrange meeting between CSO and residents	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	As soon as possible
Household crime	To help residents be safer	Arrange meeting between CSO and residents	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	As soon as possible

7 WORK, TRAINING AND THE LOCAL ECONOMY

The following responses were received on this issue

- 40% of responses (26 people) felt there should be business development in the parish, 27% had no opinion and 34% disagreed

Of respondents who agreed

- 75% felt there should be no large business developments, 0% felt there should be large business development
- 74% thought there should be small business development and 6% disagreed
- 74% felt there should be workshop development but 6% disagreed

70 people responded to the issue of whether there should be community initiatives in the parish

- 43% agreed that there should be, 50% had no opinion and 7% disagreed

Car sharing was a popular idea and an organising coordinator was suggested

ISSUE	OBJECTIVE	ACTION	CONTACT	TIMESCALE
Business Development	To maintain present levels	Respond positively to small single businesses/workshop proposals in suitable environments Actively discourage creeping development of current sites e.g. mushroom farm Discourage large developments Monitor planning applications	All residents CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	Ongoing
Community Initiatives	Encourage community initiatives	More residents to contribute to Parish Outline Investigate car sharing scheme Litter Pick supported widely – focus on rat runs, Grafton Lane, Haywood Lane	All residents CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	Ongoing

8 EDUCATION

This section commented that new schools are unlikely to be established in the parish, but various types of skills training in local schools and for adults might be promoted.

38 comments were received: suggestions for training classes included practical and vocational skills such as plumbing, electrical, painting and decorating, computer and other IT skills, rural skills such as hedge laying, life skills. It was noted that Maths tuition is already available.

ISSUE	OBJECTIVE	ACTION	CONTACT	TIMESCALE
Training classes	To encourage rural skills	Discuss options with Holme Lacy College	CLP Delivery Group Parish Council	June/July 2012
Local knowledge	To encourage residents to take an active interest in local affairs	More residents to attend parish council meetings on a regular basis Notices to be made more attractive	Parish Council	

YOUNG PEOPLE

Only 7 young people answered the questionnaire, all of them over 10 years old. This is a high percentage of the young people living in the parish. Their concerns mirror those expressed by adults.

Bearing in mind the small numbers

- 83% of responses (5 young people) were concerned about speeding traffic
- 33% felt there was nothing to do in the parish
- 50% were concerned about dog mess
- 83% were concerned about litter

If facilities existed

- 60% would use a play/sports area
- 40% would attend a youth club
- 20% would go to a disco
- 20% would use a bike trail
- 40% were not interested in new facilities in the area