



Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group

What do Residents think about Holton-le-Clay and its future?

Summary of the Results of the Holton-le-Clay Village survey

May 2015.

The results suggest that most of those who completed the survey were living in properties occupied mainly by adults. 23 children lived in these households. Most (88%) have access to vehicles and are not totally dependent on Public Transport. Many have more than one car and this therefore suggests a need for off-road parking for more than two cars per house. Most of those who responded have concerns about traffic levels, particularly at Toll Bar Roundabout and heading into Grimsby. Many of those who responded are concerned about on-street parking, parking on pavements and parking on grass verges.

Flooding is seen to be a problem: Flooding had been experienced by 20 of the 159 (13%) residents who completed surveys and 62 (39%) had experienced flooding in their gardens. 42 (26%) had experienced flooding in their streets and 49 (31%) had experienced problems with water pressure. This suggests that surface water drainage is a problem in the village and any new developments must be designed in such a way that surface water is drained effectively without increasing the risk of flooding to properties elsewhere in the village.

The residents of Holton-le-Clay who completed the survey greatly value rural characteristics of the village such as a green boundary around the village and open spaces and outlook. They would prefer new houses to be built in small rather than large developments and to have easy access to the Public Footpath network. Residents were of the opinion that if a new development were to occur it should be made up of properties of different sizes and styles, each having a garden and off-road parking facilities. A preference could be seen for detached and semi-detached properties having two or three bedrooms and for bungalows. A large number of responses suggested that these should be affordable homes. A need for Specialist Accommodation e.g. for Senior Citizens, was also identified.

The residents value local facilities and amenities that offer a personal service, having Primary and Infant schools in the village and the Village Hall. Feeling safe to walk and the Community atmosphere are important to them as are the availability of Village groups and the Cricket team. Residents also appreciated the presence of grass verges on roads although some had concerns about the parking of cars on them. Some residents felt that the village

pub and local allotments were important to the village and it was pointed out that in a small village people know their neighbours.

Some residents thought that the suggested ways of improving the non-housing amenities would be well-received, as would the suggested new small businesses. Many suggestions for the types of small business that should be encouraged were received. The most popular was a DIY / Hardware store to replace the one that recently closed.

Of the suggested sports and leisure facilities Bowling, Tennis and allotments were the most popular. Other suggestions were provided.