

## Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group

# Results of the Holton-le-Clay Village survey 2015

350 questionnaires were given out at public meetings, the village flower festival and by members of the community who approached their neighbours. The results displayed are taken from the 159 completed surveys that were returned. A return rate of 45%. Some returns were incomplete. Only the answers given were recorded. Nil responses were ignored.

Questions. What is the name of your street? (if you would prefer not to answer this, please leave blank)	Responses The respondents who answered this question were from different parts of the village.				
How many Adults live at your property?	1	2	3	4	5
	31	98	<b>13</b>	3	
How many Children live at your property?	1	2	3	4	5
	13	10	3		
Traffic and Travel?  Do you rely on public transport?  For work  For leisure		Yes 13 Yes 48		No 120 No 10	<b>6</b>
If you have a car:					
How many vehicles does your household have?	0	1	2	3	4
Are you concerned about the volume of traffic in the village?	19	71	41	8	2
As a pedestrian		Yes		No	
		94		52	
As a driver		Yes		No	
		93		44	

Are you negatively affected by:		
Traffic at Toll Bar roundabout	Yes	No
	121	24
Heavy traffic going towards Grimsby	Yes	No
	117	30
Heavy traffic going towards Louth	Yes	No
	<i>62</i>	81
Parking around schools	Yes	No
	<i>78</i>	<i>63</i>
Street parking	Yes	No
	101	46
Parking on grass verges?	Yes	No
	100	42
Where is your main place of work?	Holton-le-	12
	Clay	
	Louth	8
	Grimsby	<i>26</i>
	Humber Bank	<b>13</b>
	Other	40

#### Other comments:

Would like a bus on Sundays and bank holidays Parking on pavements is a problem (2). Concerned about the volume of traffic as a cyclist.

#### **Summmary:**

The results show that many of those who completed the survey live in properties occupied mainly by adults. Most (88%) have access to vehicles and are not totally dependent on Public Transport. Many households (38%) 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.

#### Drainage

Anglian Water is responsible for commenting upon the water supply, drainage and sewerage provision for all developments. However it would be helpful to the NPD to know whether you have ever had:

Flooding to your property	Yes	No
	20	111
Poor drainage/Flooding in your garden	Yes	No
	<i>62</i>	<i>79</i>
Flooding in your street	Yes	No
	43	92
Problems in water pressure, other than due to a burst pipe or similar incident	Yes	No
	51	70

#### Other comments:

In bad weather the drains can't cope. Are the existing ones going to be upgraded to cope or will complete new ones be built beyond the village boundaries? If heavy rainfall can't get into the ground the water table will drop (water shortages) and water will disperse on the surface and cause more flooding. Sewers sometimes overflow.

#### **Summary**:

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. Inconsistent water pressure is a problem in some parts of the village.

## **Village Community**

The Survey in 2009 revealed that residents value living in a village and that it's characteristics as such should be preserved.

What do you think are the characteristics that make Holton Le Clay a village? Please rate in order of importance, where 10 is the most important and 1 the least: Local Facilities and Amenities offering a personal service

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	2		4	8	8	25	<i>23</i>	16	69
Variety o	of house o	design							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	2		7	<b>15</b>	19	<b>21</b>	<i>32</i>	21	41
Small rat	ther than	large dev	elopment						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	1		2	12	5	<i>67</i>	10	25	<i>87</i>
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Other aspects which you think are important:

Parking on grass verges ruins them.

Better quality grass cutting needed.

Local allotments.

Local pub.

Small enough to know neighbours.

Cut grass verges & empty bins.

No parking on grass verges & corners.

Chicanes on straight roads in 30mph areas (2)

Neighbourhood Watch.

Post boxes near developments.

Low crime.

Less litter & dog 'do do'.

More policing

Footpaths and green areas fronting Louth Rd & the A16.

Allowing & accepting children to push bike on pavements for safety.

Outlook on to Green belt land

Village field.

Peaceful & quiet atmosphere.

Excellent service from the village 'tidier up.

Access to public transport.

**Roads & Potholes** 

**Rural Environment** 

Being listened to by the council.

#### Summary:

The residents of Holton-le-Clay who were 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. If development occurs they would like to see houses built in a variety of styles, each having a garden and off-road parking facilities. 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.

#### THE FUTURE

This Neighbourhood Development plan covers the period from the date it is agreed to 2029. Consequently, as well as residents' views on housing it will be helpful to have ideas about how people would like to see in the village in the future.

Unfortunately, it is important to stress that the Neighbourhood Development Planning Group does not have any funds and Parish Council funds are limited. People will be aware of the fundraising efforts of MERC that were needed to complete the Village Hall.

Notwithstanding this, your views are still helpful in negotiations with potential developers who MAY be willing to contribute towards non housing amenities.

Any ideas will be shared with the Parish and District Councillors for their future work on behalf of the Village.

#### Accommodation

The NDP is bound by national and local guidelines on housing, but within this framework what type of accommodation do you think the village needs?

One bed roomed properties	Yes	No
	66	<i>63</i>
Two bedroomed properties	Yes	No
	<i>106</i>	22
Three bedroomed properties	Yes	No
	1 <b>25</b>	12
Four bedroomed properties	Yes	No
	<i>87</i>	<i>38</i>
Social Housing	Yes	No
	46	72
Affordable homes	Yes	No
	111	24
Specialist accommodation eg for Senior Citizens or people	Yes	No
with a disability	124	5
Design of Housing		
Bungalows	Yes	No
_	124	10
Terraced housing	Yes	No
	45	71
Apartments	Yes	No
	<i>37</i>	81
Semi detached houses	Yes	No
	112	15
Detached houses	Yes	No
	118	12

**IF** there is any scope within the NDP for negotiating with developers for non housing amenities, what do you think could be done to improve the environment and ambiance of the village?

A village park with flower beds and seating areas	Yes	No
	<i>93</i>	4
More trees	Yes	No
	<i>77</i>	18
Wildlife walks/pond	Yes	No
	89	12

#### Other suggestions

Need to provide accommodation / care for ageing population.

Sort out the 8 acres re tennis etc.

Make dreams come true.

Leisure centre.

Improved street lighting

Developing Cycle track on former railway line to Waltham.

Properly maintained play area for children.

More hedges for birds, wildlife park, nature reserve.

House with front gardens / streets with paths / grass verges & trees.

Eco housing.

Places to take dogs for walks – accessible by foot or car.

Traffic engineering to reduce speeding.

**IF** there is scope to encourage new businesses to the village, what type of shop would you use?

Farm Shop	Yes	No
	<i>85</i>	8
Bakers	Yes	No
	80	10
Butchers	Yes	No
	<i>85</i>	10
Wet Fish	Yes	No
	<i>60</i>	31

### Other suggestions:

DIY.

More catering.

Gym, Swimming Pool

If Peacefield Business Park could be developed to enhance employment opportunities and increase the range of local facilities and services, what type of small business would you like to see?

As the market requires, providing adequate control on noise / pollution.

Create an artisan workshop.

DIY type shop. (21)

Bank.

Anything without too much heavy traffic.

Dentist (3).

Garden Centre (3).

None

Chiropodist

Market place.

Gym(2) – to create employment for local people. Swimming Pool

Small non-food retail outlets (2).

Computer shop.

Gents. Outfitters, bookies, undertakers.

I.T., Youth facilities

Light Engineering, Cabinet makers.

Footwear outlet.

Any type as long as it's not too loud & not too smelly.

Small businesses offer opportunities to school leavers with real apprenticeships

Developing future trades, Builders, Plumbers, Electricians Vets, Dentists.

Small businesses with apprenticeships.

Start up support similar to Grimsby's 'business hive'.

Non-industrial.

Fast food chain, Tickerty Boo / Trotters.

All non-polluting types.

Any light industry or commerce that doesn't require HGV

Facilities for helping people to find work – e.g. IT courses.

Clothing & Jewellery

Wool & Haberdashery

Sports

Vets

Dog grooming.

Larger Dr's premises.

Craft / Pottery – not noisy and increasing traffic.

Small manufacturing, offering employment – not more retail outlets.

If there is scope to negotiate sports and leisure facilities – what would you like to see? Such as:

Yes

No

Skate board Park 29
Tennis 40
Bowling Green 59
Allotments 37

Outdoor Mini Sports area	30	1
Outdoor Gym	23	1

#### Other suggestions:

Park with flat surfaces suitable for wheelchairs etc. Improve pavements.

Ice rink.

More bins for dog litter.

Mix of sports facilities but also rooms for exercise / leisure e.g. painting, photography, IT learning.

Woodland.

Model boating lake.

**Community Orchard** 

Encourage young people to use their energy instead of sitting in bus shelters.

All have possibilities – there may be not much room – land wise left. Whose funding? Martians?

Save money – we had some of these facilities in the village & they were wrecked by local hooligans.

Yoga, Gym (6).

Giant games (chess, draughts)

Leisure centre for indoor activities e.g. swimming, basketball, tennis, squash.(2)

A youth hub.

Something for the youngsters (2)

Keep the Cricket Club where it is

Cycle track (2)

We moved to the village 18 years ago and were happy with the amenities then – if we wanted more facilities/amenities we would live in town!!

To encourage retaining open space such as 8 acres for children to play generally (football etc) safely – fenced off for dog walking.

Astro turf football pitch.

Walking group.

We had all this on the 8acres – now look at it. It hasn't been maintained by the council.

The present facilities are under-used.

#### Summary:

The residents who responded to the survey were of the opinion that if a new development were to occur it should be made up of properties of different sizes and styles. A preference could be seen for properties having two or three bedrooms and for bungalows. A large number of responses suggested that these should be affordable homes and some suggested that priority should be given to young people from the village. A need for Specialist Accommodation for Senior Citizens was also identified. 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.

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