

Analysis of Questionnaire results for the Kibworth Neighbourhood Plan



Overview

The parishes of Kibworth Beauchamp and Kibworth Harcourt have commenced the preparation of their Neighbourhood Plan.

An important part of this inclusive process is, of course, obtaining the views and aspirations of the community. A key means to achieve this has been the development and dissemination of a community questionnaire.

The questionnaire contained 49 questions (some designed as a cluster of sub-questions) and was based on key subject areas or themes, established following initial consultation work by the Kibworth Neighbourhood Planning Group including a community engagement drop-in event in July 2015. These themes are: Employment, Village Amenities, Education, Environment & Heritage, Housing Development, Health and Transport.

The survey took place between October 2015 and January 2016. It was available to complete electronically and as a paper copy. The level of response from the community was remarkably high, there being 803 returns, (434 paper copies and 369 electronic), from a community with 6423 people ⁽¹⁾, a return of 12.5%. This return is considerably higher than experienced by other Neighbourhood Plan areas, where a 10% response rate is generally considered to be good and response rates under 10% are common. This is therefore a demonstration of the level of commitment to the Neighbourhood Plan by the community and, in turn, adds strength to the validity of the collected views expressed.

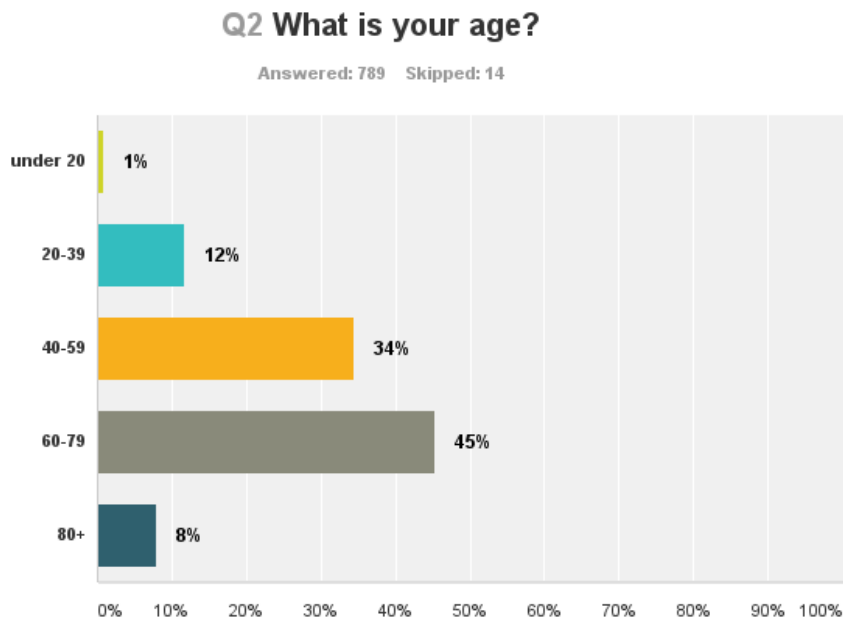
A further breakdown of these figures in Question 3 shows 546 responses, (10%), from Kibworth Beauchamp (population 5433), and 226 responses, (23%) from Kibworth Harcourt (population 990).

Given that the population figures include the very young, it is also pertinent to consider the number of responses in relation to the number of dwellings in the Neighbourhood Plan area. The 546 responses from Kibworth Beauchamp are from 1702 dwellings (32%); the 226 responses from Kibworth Harcourt are from 582 dwellings (39%). For the Neighbourhood Plan area as a whole, the 803 responses were received from 2284 dwellings (35%).

Question One revealed that 55% of respondents were female and 45% male against a demographic in the area of 52% female and 48% male ⁽²⁾.

(1), (2) 2011 Census data

The age of respondents

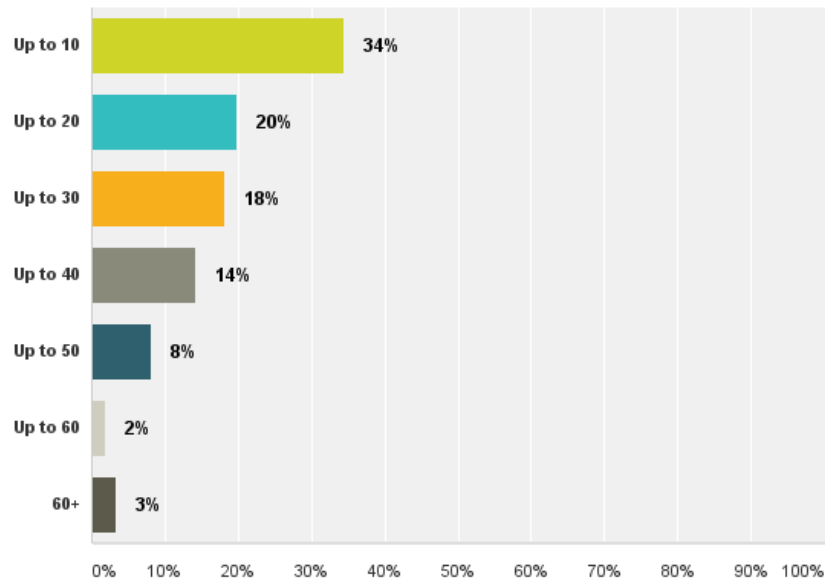


This graph demonstrates a predominance of responses from those in the older of the age categories. Whilst this is not an unusual pattern, the 2011 census shows that approximately 28% of the Kibworth population is under 24 with a further 8% who are aged between 25 and 34. Although the categories used in the census and in this survey do not align completely, and this questionnaire is designed primarily for adults, it is evident that younger people in the Neighbourhood Plan area are comparably under-represented in the responses to this questionnaire.

Length of residence

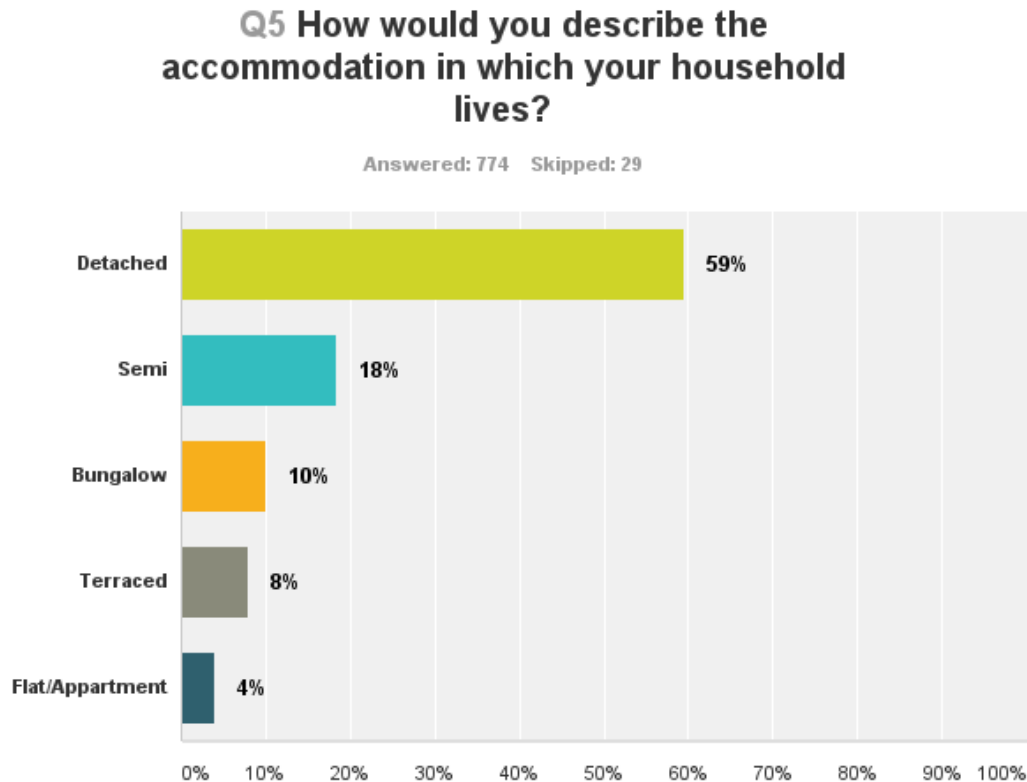
Q4 How many years have you lived in The Kibworths?

Answered: 785 Skipped: 18



We see from this question that over a third of the population has resided in the area for under a decade and over half for under 20 years. Whilst these are not insignificant amounts of time, it does demonstrate that there is an ongoing influx of people into the area. This statistic is explained in part by a comparison between the 2001 and 2011 censuses, which show a 13.5% increase in the population of the Neighbourhood Plan area over that decade. This also shows that growth does not account, by any means, for all of the relatively new arrivals – whilst this can only be an estimate, by deducting 14% for growth, an approximate turnover of 20% of the population appears to have occurred over the last decade.

Respondent's house type



59% of respondents live in a detached home (which compares with approximately 49% of homes in the Neighbourhood Plan area shown as being detached in the 2011 census). 18% of respondents live in a semi-detached home (approximately 27% in the census), 8% of respondents live in a terraced home (approximately 15% in the census) and 4 live in a flat or apartment (approximately 9% in the census).

There is one additional category, bungalows, which is used in this questionnaire and isn't included in the census (10%). Bungalows can, of course, be detached, semi-detached or terraced.

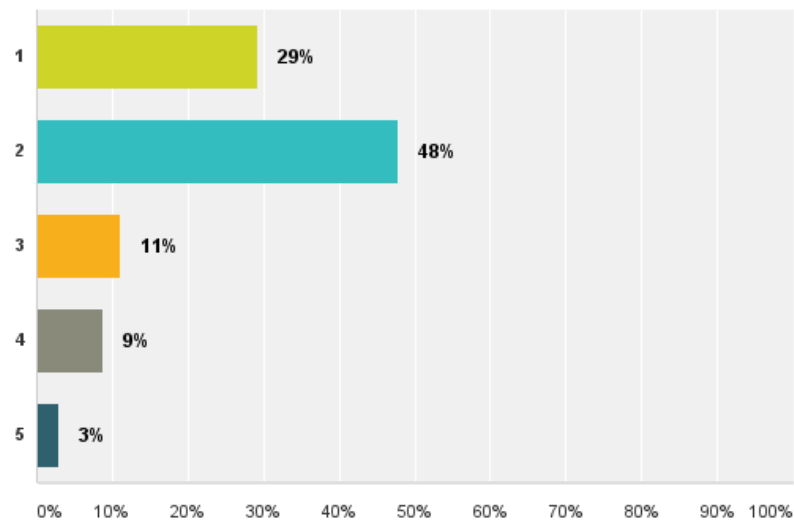
Nine respondents added, in the comments section to this question, that they live in a link-detached property.

In summary, there appears to be a slight over-representation of those living in larger accommodation amongst the respondents to this questionnaire and a corresponding under representation in smaller accommodation.

Family size

Q6 How many children are currently living in your household?

Answered: 635 Skipped: 168



635 respondents indicated that they have children living in their household. (This does not necessarily indicate that 635 separate households have children as the questionnaire enabled all individuals within a household to respond if they wished).

Almost half of those with children have 2 living with them and over two thirds have either one or two children living with them.

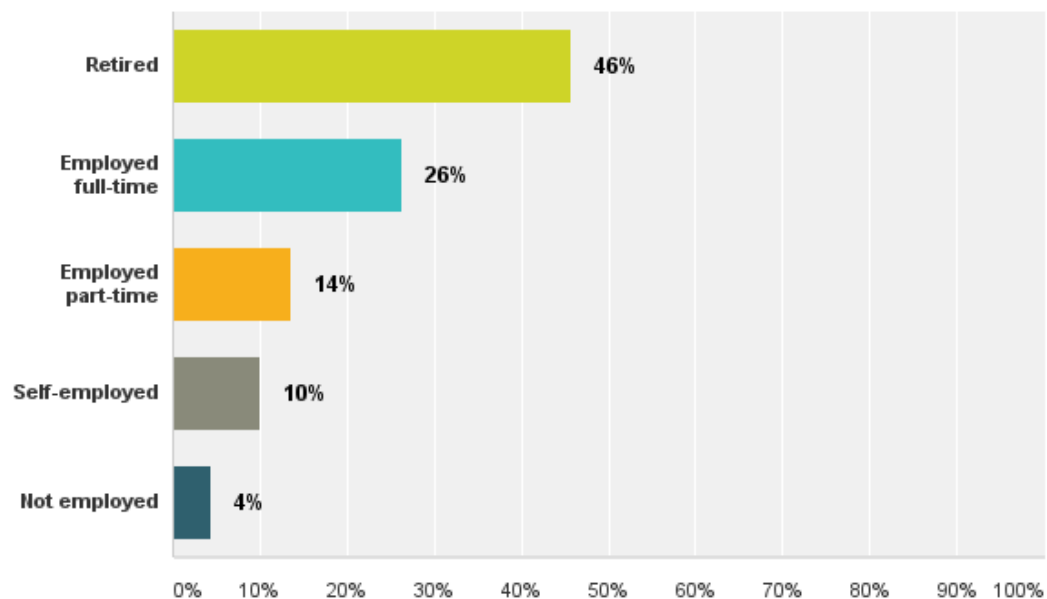
24 respondents commented that they have no children living with them, 5 indicated that they have 6 children living at home, one has 7 and one has 10.

Employment

Occupational status

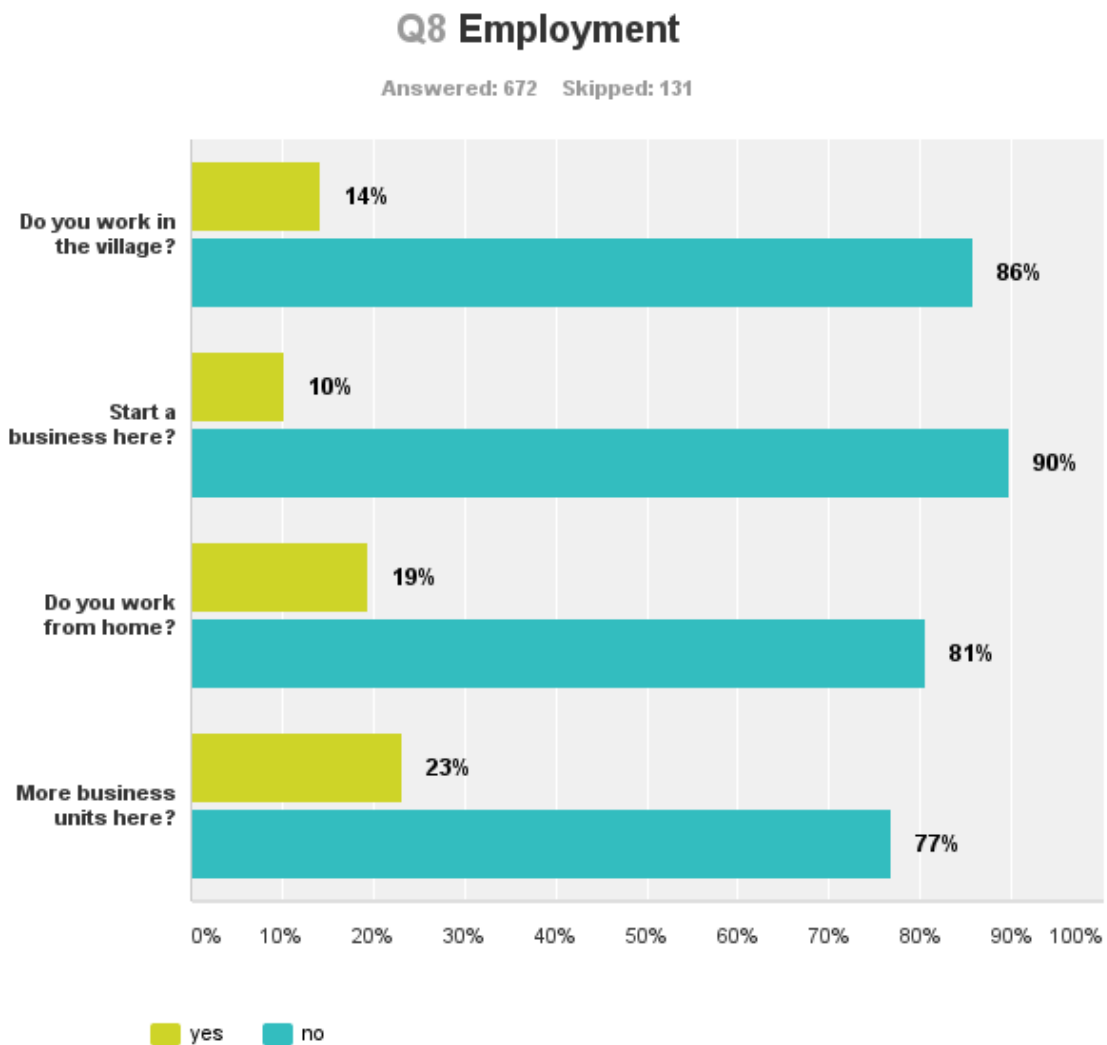
Q7 Please indicate your occupational status

Answered: 784 Skipped: 19



Exactly half of the respondents are either retired or not employed and therefore half are employed full or part-time, or self-employed. This offers a good spread of responses, however, it should be noted that responses from retired people are a high 46% of the total. Also the 2011 census shows that 38% of people are employed full time in the Neighbourhood Plan area compared to 26% of the respondents.

Employment in the Neighbourhood Plan Area



This question explored the relationship between the Neighbourhood Plan area and people's employment. In years gone by, many people would have been employed within their own village, in small businesses and on the land for example. As in many other parts of the UK, this link is currently much reduced. Only 14% of respondents stated that they work 'in the village'.

19% indicated that they work from home, which may suggest that an additional group of people do work within the village but perhaps have an office base outside the village, which makes them feel that they do not 'work in the village'. Alternatively they may feel

that 'working from home' is a more appropriate answer for them than is 'working in the village'

10% of respondents indicated that they would like to start a business in the Neighbourhood Plan area and the highest positive answer to this cluster of questions, 23% was from people who thought that there could be a demand for more business units within the Neighbourhood Plan area.

A point to perhaps note is that the first three questions ask about the respondent's personal circumstances whereas the final question asks for an opinion about demand from the community. Whilst this does not negate the minority opinion that more business units may be a good idea, it may possibly explain the greater tendency towards positivity.

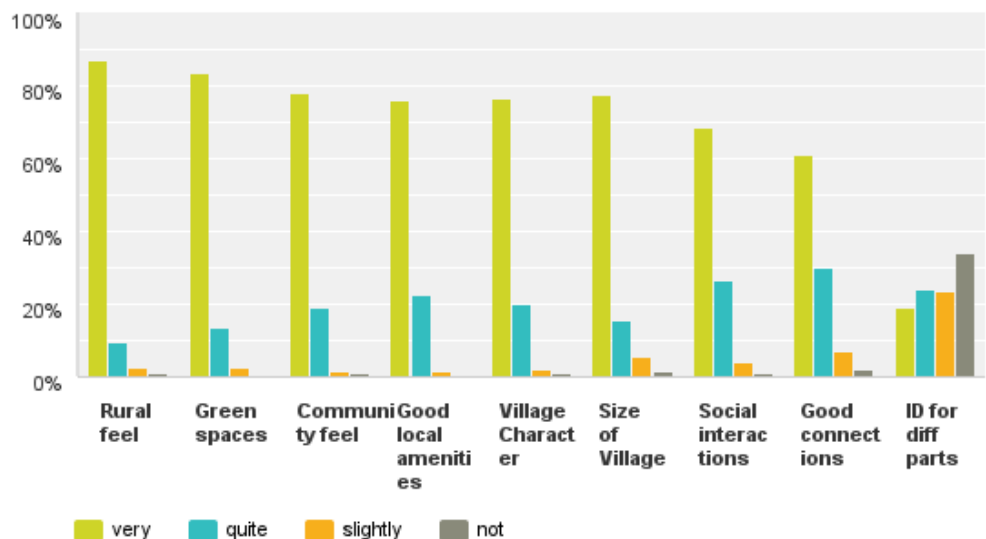
This question also invited respondents to say what they thought any new units in the village should be for. 106 responses were received. 46 felt that there should be office/light industry/start-up units. One person commented that similar units in Fleckney are very popular. Another person is a solicitor and felt that they may benefit from opening an office in the village. 36 people would welcome a variety of additional shops and leisure facilities, with a butcher's shop receiving the most support. 5 people mentioned high-tech and eco businesses, 3 suggested mixed developments of industrial and retail, 2 requested opportunities for young people and one reminded us that an increased number of local places of work reduce the number of car journeys made.

Village Amenities

What respondents value about the Neighbourhood Plan Area

Q9 What is important to you about Kibworth?

Answered: 779 Skipped: 24



This question, inviting respondents to express what is important to them about the Neighbourhood Plan area, generated a very strong response. It was clear from the responses that the rural location, atmosphere and views and the green spaces in and around the area are the most important to respondents; closely followed by the community feel and sense of village identity. In both cases over 80% of respondents find these very important.

Good local amenities, village character, building style and density and the present size of the villages were slightly less well supported but remain particularly important to respondents. Over 70% of respondents found these very important.

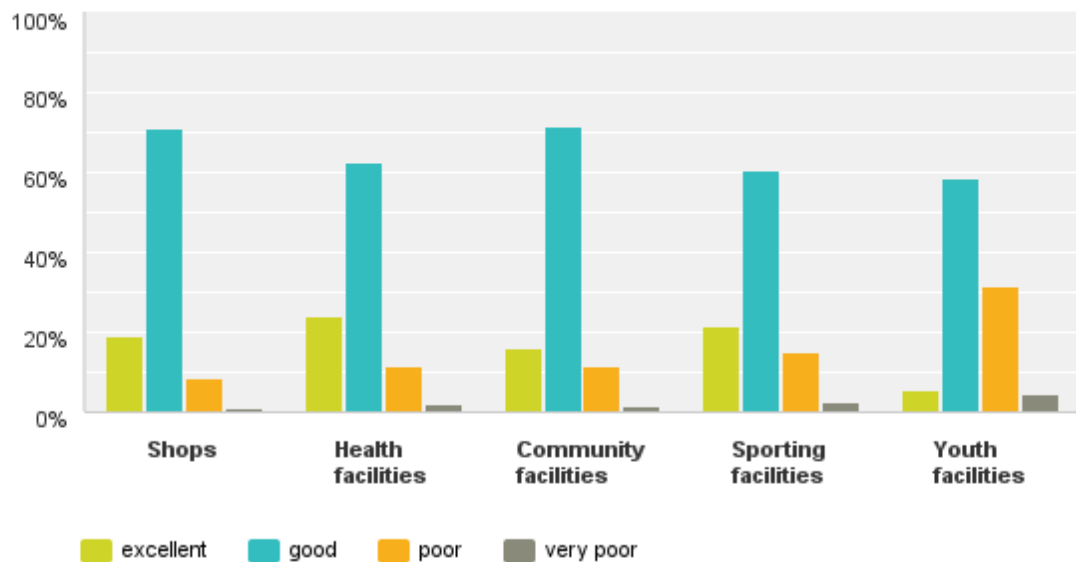
Social interactions – friends, family and neighbours and good connections to road and rail networks are also overwhelmingly positive characteristics of the Neighbourhood Plan area. Over 60% of respondents find these very important.

Finally, people were asked how important they found a separate identity for different parts of the Kibworth community. Less than 20% of respondents found this very important with over 30% finding it not important at all. It appears that, whilst some find a separate feel for different parts of the area to be a positive thing, a larger number were expressing the importance to them of a sense of unity for the area.

General opinions about facilities in the Neighbourhood Plan Area

Q10 What do you think about village facilities?

Answered: 775 Skipped: 28



This question, asking about village facilities, drew a strong response and a range of views. The graphs show a predominance of people thinking the facilities are good, but not excellent, whilst a fair few felt that facilities are poor.

Shops receive the most positive overall rating followed by health facilities, which have the highest 'excellent' rating. Both community and sporting facilities are strongly positive too. However, it is youth facilities, which receive the weakest overall rating with those who feel that they, are poor or very poor accounting for over 35% of the responses.

Opinions about specific amenities in the Neighbourhood Plan Area

Question 11 asked respondents **Are the following amenities important to you?**. The amenities have been arranged, in the following table, in descending order of importance to the respondents.

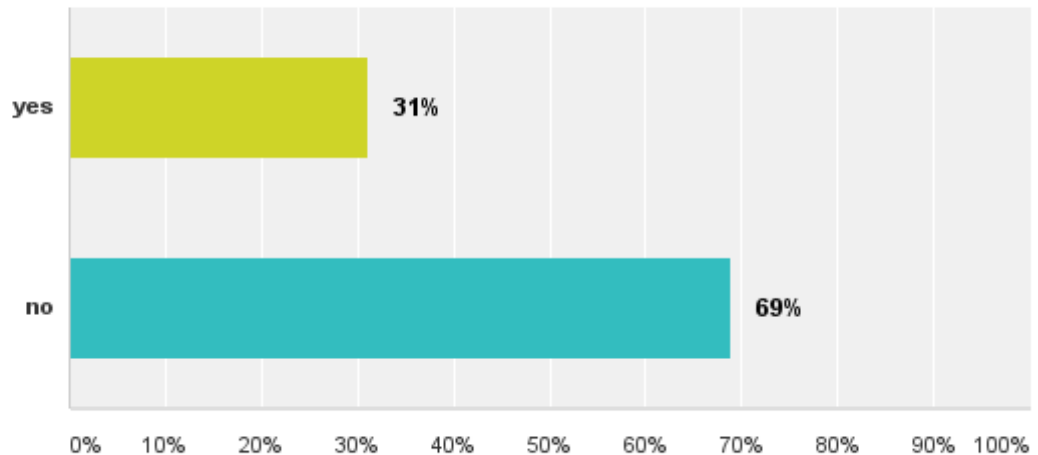
Amenity	Important	Not Important	I use this
Post Office	91% 704	2% 19	47% 363
Parks/Green Spaces	91% 699	3% 24	43% 330
Fire Station	91% 691	9% 66	4% 29
Village Hall	88% 659	10% 73	25% 186
Grammar School Hall	86% 646	11% 83	29% 215
Pubs	80% 601	16% 118	36% 268
Library	79% 598	18% 138	25% 190
Traditional Restaurants	79% 593	16% 118	36% 271
School Sports Hall	76% 550	23% 165	10% 71
Scout Hut	74% 531	25% 177	10% 72
Dental Surgery	70% 524	28% 210	18% 136
Churches	68% 509	30% 225	19% 145
Vetinary Surgery	68% 505	28% 206	25% 185
Cricket Club	63% 465	34% 248	14% 104
Tennis Club	64% 464	35% 252	12% 84
Football Club	62% 452	37% 267	6% 44
Take Away Restaurants	61% 452	33% 246	32% 240
Golf Club	57% 416	41% 299	12% 88
Kibworth Band Hut	51% 367	48% 345	2% 13
Allotments	46% 340	52% 382	6% 42
Bowls Club	44% 318	55% 400	5% 34
Kibworth Club (old WMC)	42% 299	57% 402	4% 25

Respondents were asked to identify any other amenities which are important to them. There were 62 responses. Some identified other existing amenities whilst others identified amenities that they would like to see. Shops were mentioned in both of these contexts, The Well was specifically mentioned 9 times, doctors surgeries were mentioned 12 times, pharmacy/chemist 4 times, other individual mentions were, petrol station, methodist church hall, car parks, public toilet, community cinema, skate park, swimming pool, opticians, hairdresser, a decent country pub with open fire and good food, railway station, Kibworth Shooting Club, policing and cemetery.

Demand for Sportting Facilities

Q12 Do we need more sporting facilities?

Answered: 690 Skipped: 113



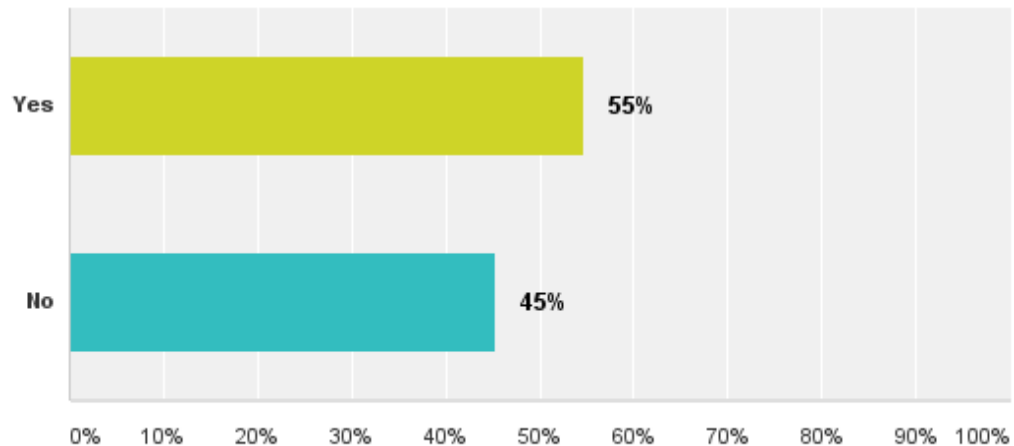
Respondents were asked what additional facilities they would like. This drew 215 comments. 57 people would like a swimming pool, 51 would like a gym (these two requests were often mentioned together by respondents). There was mention of an outdoor gym in the park too. Several people wanted facilities to enhance opportunities for the young people in the Neighbourhood Plan area. Other sports, which were mentioned, were badminton, rugby, squash, table tennis, netball and rounders, hockey and a running track. There were several mentions too for public tennis courts and improved facilities at the football club.

One respondent said, 'There is nothing much for people who don't want to belong to a club. I would like outdoor table tennis tables, French boules, outdoor gym (e.g. like the one on the north side of Rutland Water), outdoor tennis courts that anyone can turn up and use, cycle paths.'

Demand for Shopping Facilities

Q13 Would you use a greater range of shops in the village?

Answered: 747 Skipped: 56



This response shows that there are many in the Neighbourhood Plan area who perhaps don't typically use shops in the area and have been clear in stating that an improved range of shops would probably not tempt them. However, when asked what any new shops might be, 338 comments were recorded.

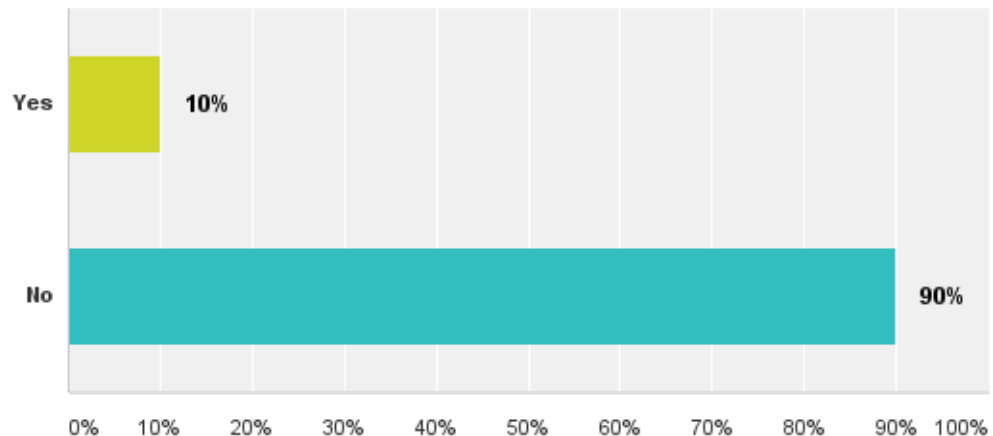
134 people wanted a butcher, 69 wanted a green grocer, 50 wanted a bakery, 35 a small supermarket (to compete with the co-op), 40 wanted a clothes/shoe shop, 27 wanted a café/coffee shop, 14 a deli, 10 a fish shop, 10 a gift/craft shop, 8 a bank, 6 a takeaway, 5 a petrol station, 4 a hairdresser. There were also individual mentions of a farm/allotment shop, a charity shop, a music shop, a pet shop, and shops to serve Kibworth Harcourt and the Hillcrest area. There was also mention of the need for more and better shops to meet the increasing demand as the population of the area grows.

One respondent said, 'Waitrose!!! I wish!'

Demand for Community Facilities

Q14 Does the village need an additional community hall/ meeting room?

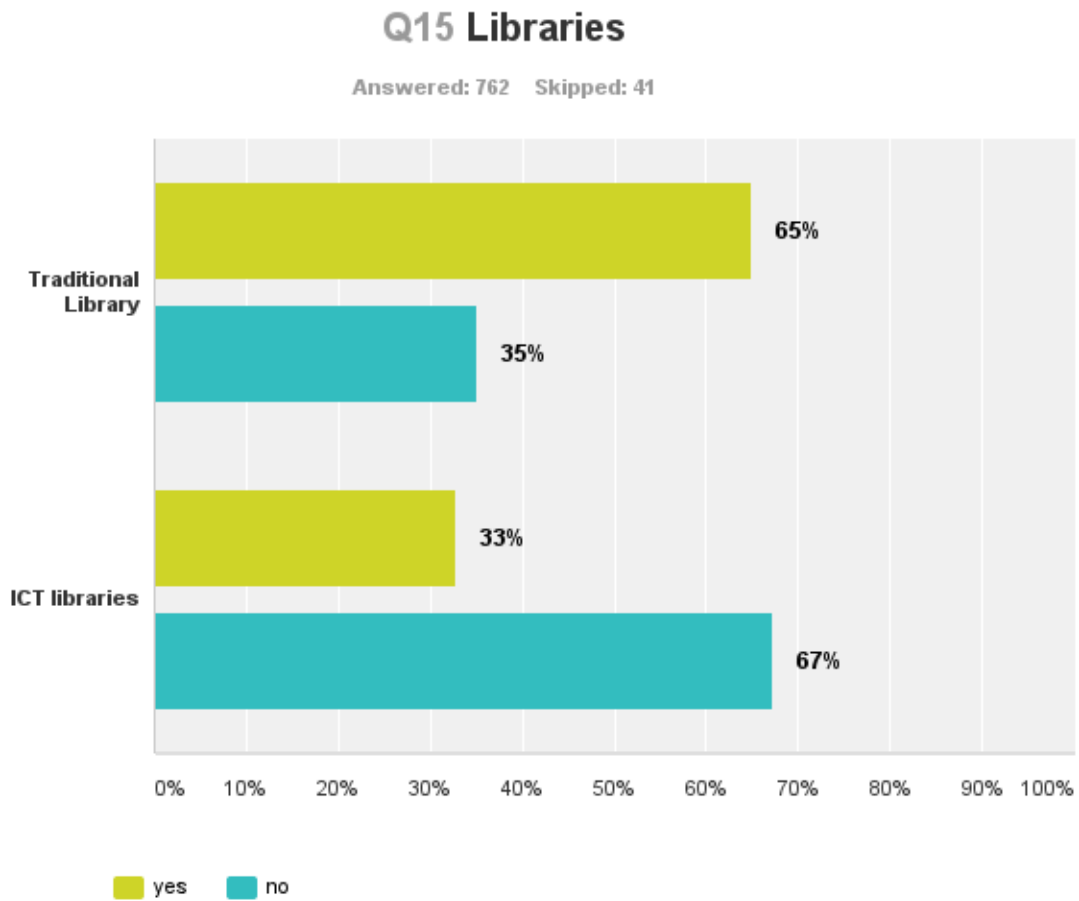
Answered: 716 Skipped: 87



The response suggests that the community felt that there is a sufficiency of community halls/meeting room provision. However, 73 people responded to the question: **If 'yes' where should it be sited and what activities should it support?** Three main themes emerged from these responses – a potential need for facilities on new estates, more for Kibworth Harcourt and a need for better facilities for scouts and guides. One respondent said, 'I am involved with Scouts and the current facility no longer supports all the groups who want to use it.'

There was a range of ideas for use of facilities focusing on the social importance of people simply joining together as much as the activities they took part in. There were also comments in favour of improving existing facilities rather than developing new ones.

Demand for a Library



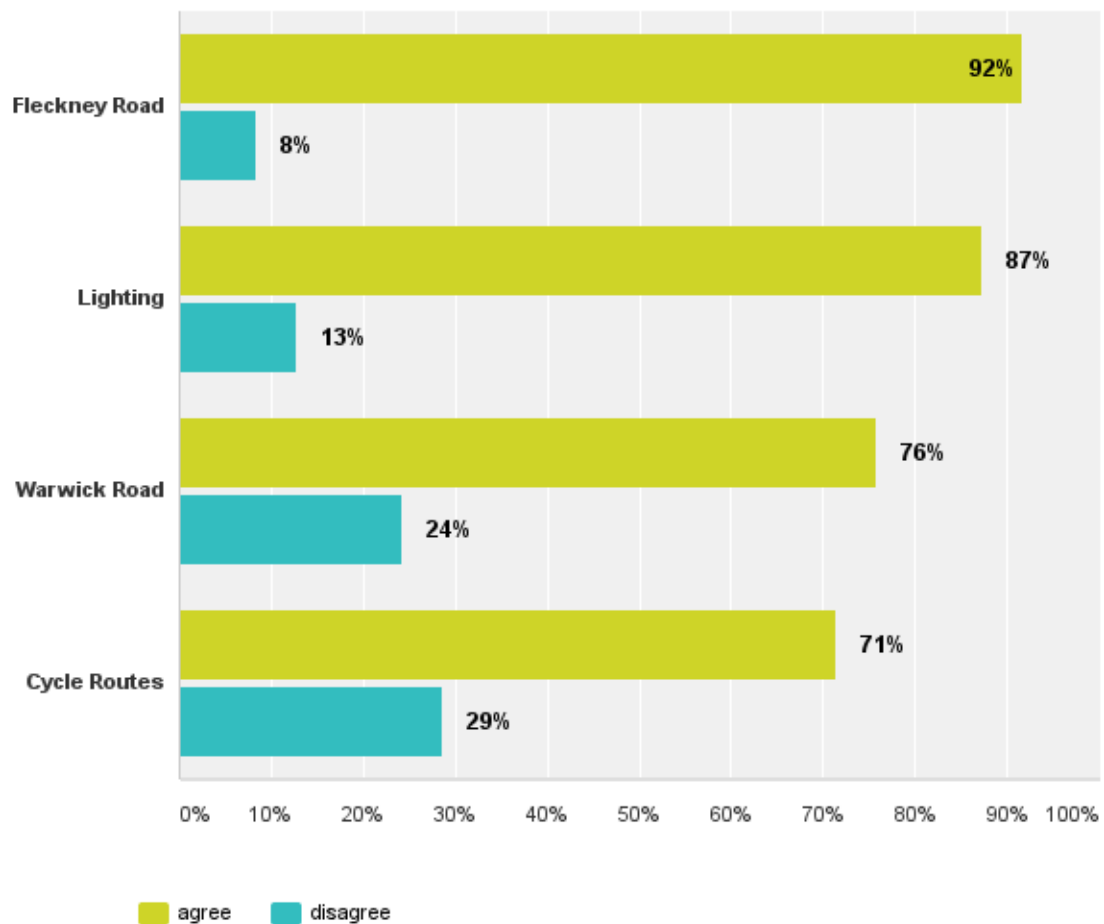
Almost two thirds of respondents said that they would use traditional library facilities if available. Whereas only a third said that they would use library facilities providing access to Information Technology.

It is possible that this outcome could indicate that ICT facilities are freely available in many homes and are therefore less needed in a library setting whereas the offer provided by a traditional library is not replicated in people's homes.

Responses to specific issues

Q16 Consultation data has highlighted some specific issues. What is your view on the following?

Answered: 769 Skipped: 34



The inclusion of this question demonstrates the strong continuity between the questionnaire and earlier parts of the consultation process.

The most strongly supported, by 92% of respondents, was that: **A pavement is needed along Fleckney Road to the Football Club, allotments and garden centre.**

87% of respondents agreed that: **Lighting is needed on the paths to the 'Tin Bridge' over the railway.**

76% felt that: A pavement is needed along Warwick Road.

71% agreed that: The provision of safe cycle routes is essential to safety and the alleviation of congestion in the villages.

When asked to comment on other amenity issues, additional responses were received. Each of the key responses, issues and themes are as follows:

Full time street warden to keep the village clean Remove the speed bumps on all roads except Smeeton Rd near school The "Kibworth By-Pass" route needs identifying to all infill development. A solution to access on to the A.6 at both junctions needs to be found.

We need an accessible nature reserve that supports wildlife with a pond, a spinney, a flower meadow to encourage a diversity of flora and fauna (birds butterflies and moths). Possibly an orchard and sensory area.

Cycling safety particularly on A6 is essential. Once get to great Glen can get safely to Leicester but Great Glen to Kibworth is scary Also a community wild space/ food growing/ orchard.

More off road parking.

I would like to see another postbox situated at the end of Rookery close as I have leg problems and find it is a long way to other boxes.

Ideally the pavements on Warwick road and Fleckney Road should link up and go round to mill Lane to create safe walking & running routes that link the villages.

A Pavement / Cycle path to Wistow.

Easier access on to A6 turning right at ALL junctions.

Country Park would be great in fields behind Beauchamp Rd/Cedar close instead of houses!! Somewhere for people to walk dogs, children to play/ den building etc. like Brocks Hill. Schools could use it too.

Wider path - diagonal path from railway bridge up to primary school & from the same primary school entrance down to tin bridge gate. Very muddy in winter.

An open green space for play area on New building house estate.

Better lighting around bus stop A6, Leicester direction after "coach & horses" pub and Suitable Footpath & lighting from Skateboard Park to David Wilson Estate.

A by-pass! Traffic though the village is very busy especially at peak travel times. Access into A6 is very difficult at these times. 2) A car park for oaks garage cars! Access onto new road + travel along here is difficult, due to volume of their parked cars on New Road.

More seats along the main shopping route.

Better parking facilities particularly on Fleckney road & weir road. Road where chemist is, is too narrow.

A pedestrian crossing on Smeeton Road as some traffic too fast. There are school children and elderly people trying to cross road as well as others who use it.

Primary school expansion if more new houses are to be built!

Re-locate the school bus stop on Fleckney Road - too dangerous in mornings.

Mirroring to see traffic better from Rosemead to Fleckney Road e.g. around the scout hut. When turning onto Fleckney road around the fields/junction at white stacks.

The Doctor's surgery are struggling with ever increasing residents, there are not enough Doctors available. It is hard to get appointments.

Pathway from Kibworth Meadow estate over the park to the primary school and beyond. At the moment it stops midway + is too narrow for push/wheelchairs.

Roundabout at the top of new road/A6 before someone is killed!

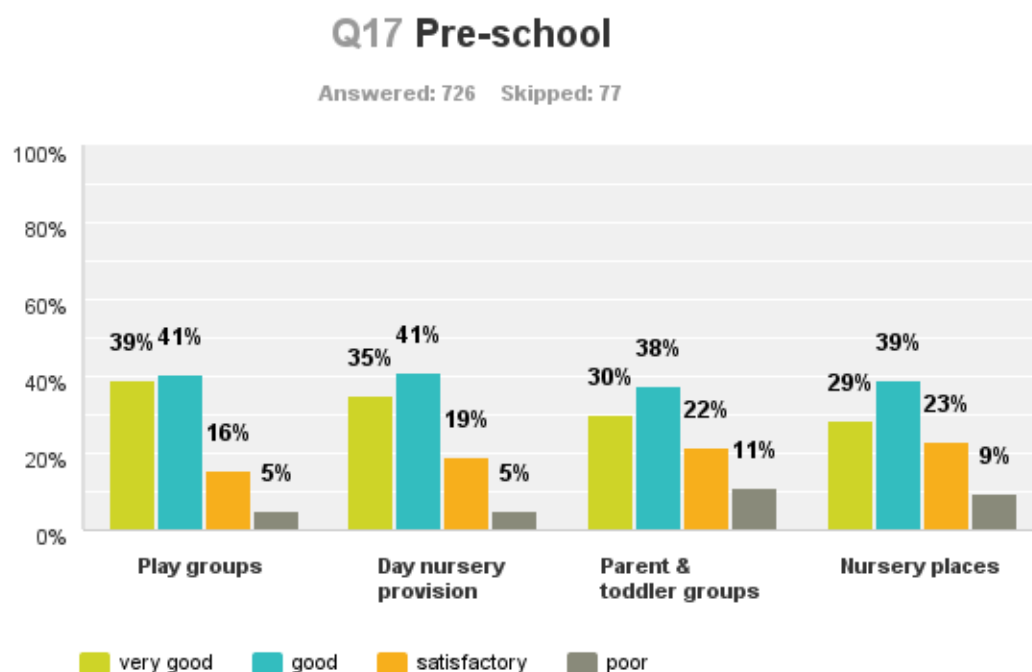
The field between the path from the tin bridge to the primary school and the new housing development was recently subject to a planning application for housing which was turned down (for now!) This would be an excellent addition to the green space/ park facilities.

More benches, doggy-bins & rubbish bins please!!

Education

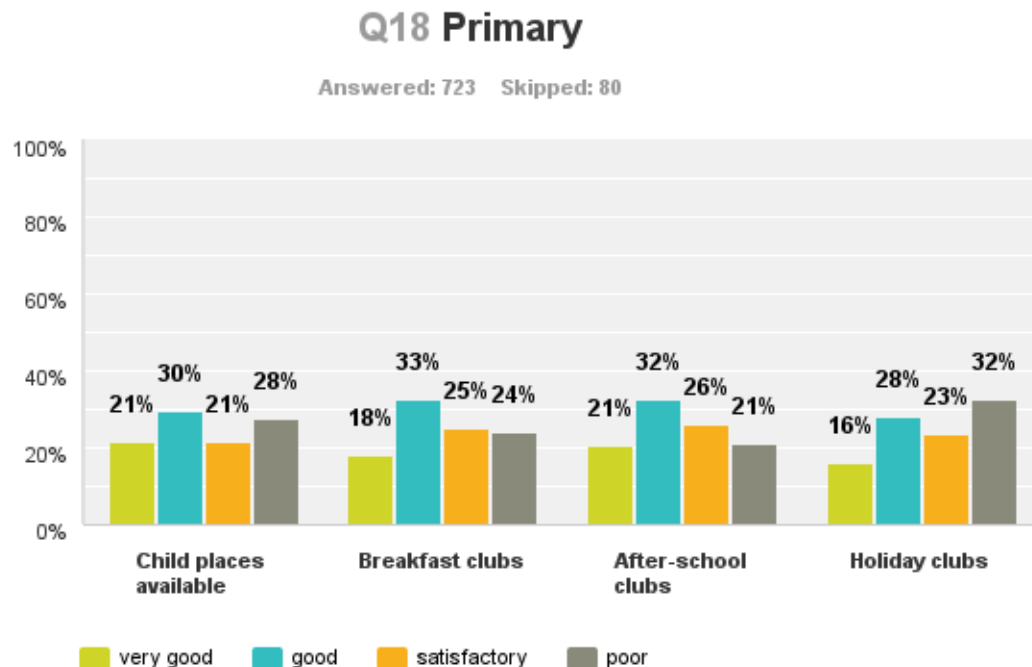
In the education theme area, over 50% of all respondents said that they didn't know how good or poor provision was. It is reasonable to assume that the main reason for this is that they do not have experience of the schools, nurseries etc. To make more sense of the data, this group has therefore been removed from the analysis, leaving only those with the experience to make an informed evaluation.

Opinions about Pre-school Education



Of those respondents with experience, there is a general sense that pre-school provision is considered to be good or very good. A smaller number feel that it is satisfactory and fewer still feel that it is poor.

Opinions about Primary Education



This question sought answers about specific aspects of primary school education serving Kibworth. A very mixed view about the availability of child places perhaps suggests an even split between respondents whose children gained a place at the local school and those who did not. Additionally it should perhaps be noted that this question is not necessarily restricted to those whose children are currently at primary school, so some of the opinions may be historic or anecdotal.

Breakfast clubs also have an even spread of responses suggesting very different experiences from people within the Neighbourhood Plan area.

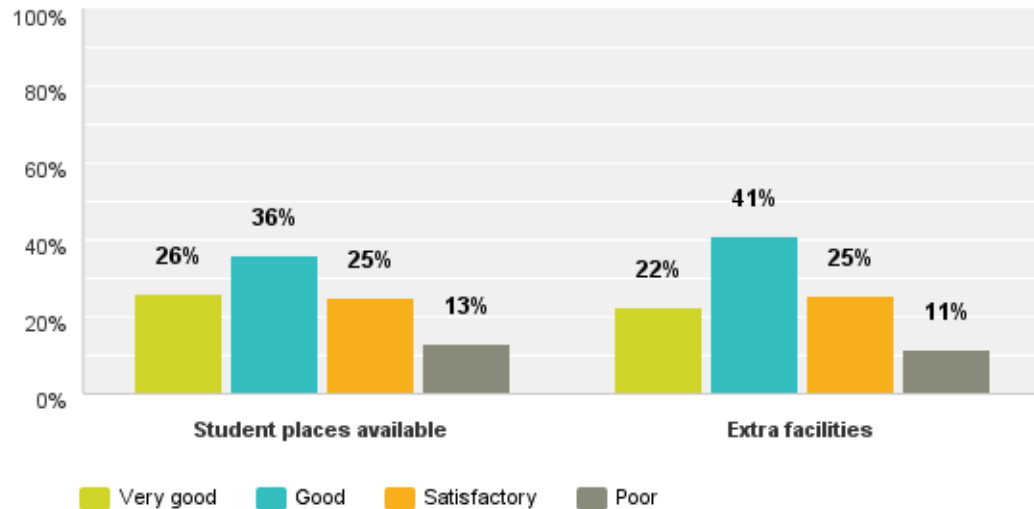
After-school clubs too have a very even spread of responses and, as with breakfast clubs, are considered only marginally positive overall.

Holiday clubs also have a broad spread of responses. However, overall the view is a negative one.

Opinions about Secondary Education

Q19 The Kibworth School (an 11 to 16 Academy)

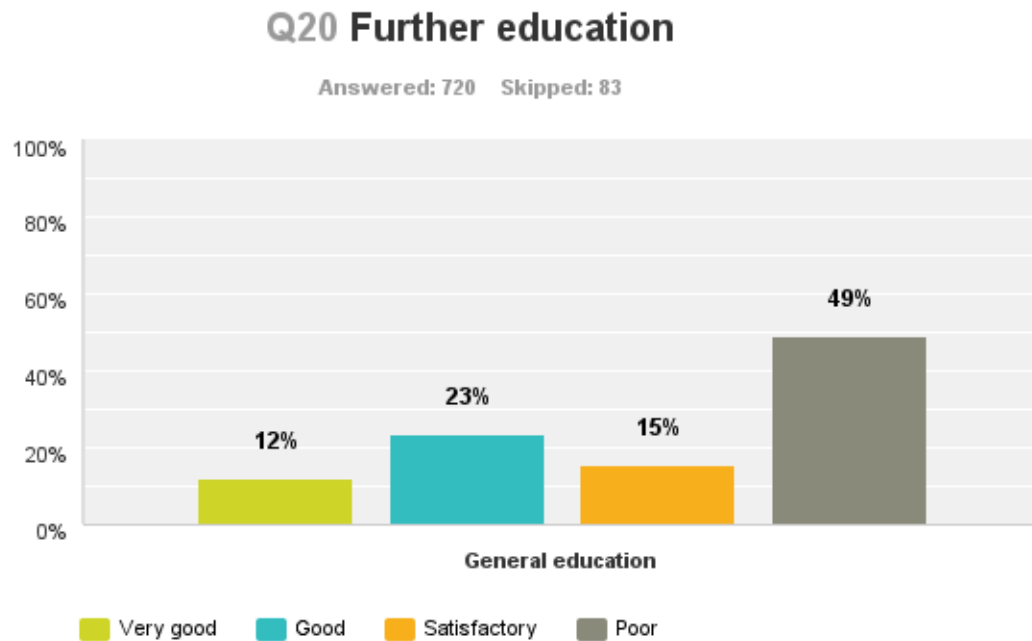
Answered: 721 Skipped: 82



This question sought answers about specific aspects of education provided by The Kibworth School.

There was an overall 'Good' response to both the question about student places available and about extra facilities.

Opinions about Further Education



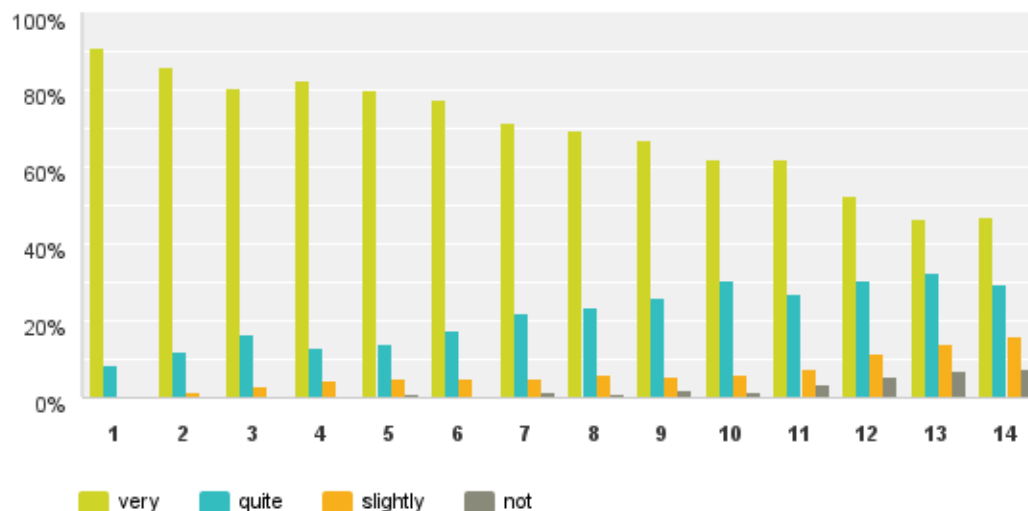
This question asked for opinions about the provision of education beyond the age of 16. Almost half of the respondents (49%) felt that this was poor. This may reflect the absence of such provision within the Neighbourhood Plan area.

Environment & Heritage

Opinions about Environment & Heritage features in the Neighbourhood Plan Area

Q21 How important are the following to you?

Answered: 778 Skipped: 25



1. Open countryside
2. Natural and semi natural green space
3. Parks
4. Significant trees and hedgerows
5. Rural views and vistas approaching Kibworth
6. Informal green space i.e. village greens

7. Community buildings e.g. Grammar School Hall, Village Hall
8. 'Connectivity' (paths connecting different village areas)
9. The built heritage of Kibworth (such as the Windmill)

10. The history/ heritage of Kibworth
11. The canal
12. Allotments and community gardens
13. Civic spaces – pedestrian areas within built up areas.
14. Cemeteries and burial grounds

Responses to this question contain a wealth of information.

It is evident that things of most importance to respondents are elements of the natural and rural environment.

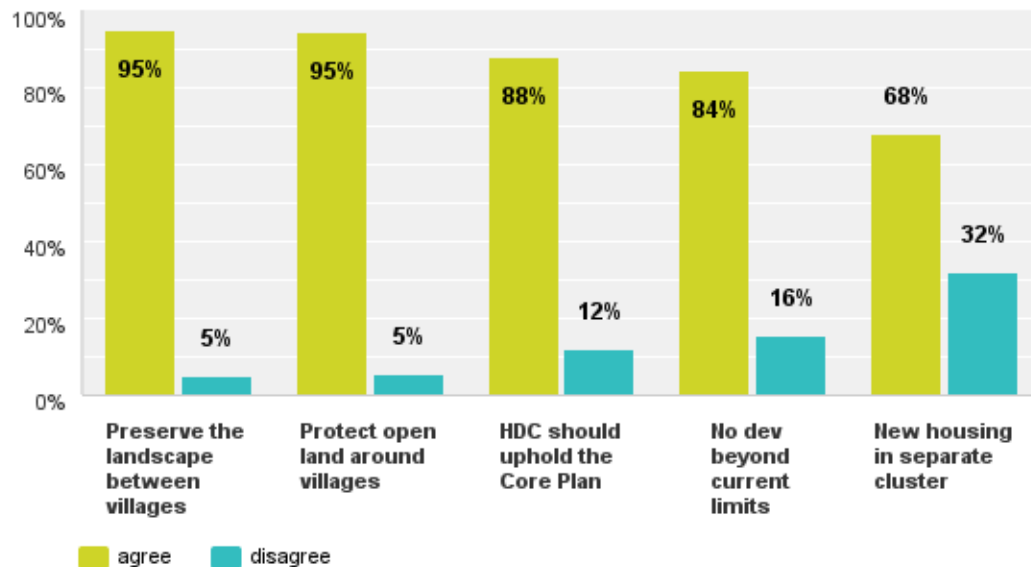
Items featuring lower down the list, such as allotments, does not necessarily mean that they are not thoroughly enjoyed by those who are involved and dedicated. It may simply be that fewer people are in a position to enjoy an allotment when compared with the much less strenuous task of enjoying a rural view.

Housing Development

Opinions about the environment and housing development

Q22 With this in mind, please give your views for or against the following:

Answered: 758 Skipped: 45



In response to this question there was overwhelming support for each of the five proposals.

95% supported the view that 'It is important to preserve the open landscape between neighbouring villages in order to protect the character and setting of those villages'.

95% agreed that 'The open landscape around our villages is an essential recreational amenity for our villages and should be protected'.

88% believed that 'HDC should uphold the Core Plan regarding no development in Kibworth other than small scale infill'.

84% said that 'There should be no development beyond the current Kibworth Limits to Development'.

Finally, 68% shared the view that 'Any additional housing should be provided in a new small village separated from Kibworth by open countryside'. It is perhaps worth noting that this is the only of the five proposals suggesting any significant development and this may go some way to explaining the lower level of support for it than the other proposals).

There was also a significant and often heartfelt response to the question asking if there are any other green spaces, which should be protected.

These are summarised as follows:

All of them!!! We have lost far too many already (33 people)

Fields between Kibworth and Smeeton (31 people)

The fields at the top of Harcourt RD. Between K.B & Smeeton The field behind the fairway The Land beyond the identified route for a future Kibworth Bypass All Land where a public footpath currently exists.

Rookery Close Play Area.

The farmland between the A6 & the Carlton Road & the other side of Carlton Rd. It's beautiful, with well-maintained hedgerows, a diversity of mature trees and an abundance of wild life. It has public footpaths and a footpath from Kibworth Harcourt to Burton Ovary, which are well used. It is historically important as shown in the BBC production of the stoup of England This area should be protected as out crucial heritage & not used for urban development. We have a duty to generations to come to preserve our beautiful countryside.

The Land near the marsh/Park that currently separates the David Wilson housing from Kibworth Beauchamp A/KB/HSG/15 A/KB/HSG/17 A/KB/HSG/02 A/KB/HSG/03.

All of the existing green spaces in and around the villages/ If housing has to be imposed upon us it should only be to infill within the existing boundaries e.g. locations 1 and 9 on page 9 of this questionnaire.

The light green Map 1 If there is to be more development it should be on north east Map 1 Dark green with bypass and some Facilities to serve Harcourt, Residents - Beauchamp is full up! If no bypass some of light green might have.

First Field from A6 Roundabout down Wistow Rd.

Wistow Road Wentworth Close.

End of St. Wilfred Close Recreation Ground to the Meadows.

AKBHSG21 (the field next to the park) this should be made into community space/wildlife and food growing/ orchid/forest.

The Kibworth to Saddington area.

All the green spaces, which are designed as developable in 5 years, these are too close to existing boundaries.

All Green spaces that are tradition or historic meadowland and grazing pastures; all areas that are hillsides or raised elevation to protect views; any areas of special historical interest such as the Roman fort on the A6 approach road to Kibworth Harcourt; land around me windmill; the Munt; Fields off Carlton Road with medieval ridge and furrow evidence.

Marsh Avenue & Windmill All that still exists.

Agree if village has its own facilities to avoid additional cars in the centre of Kibworth.

Item 5 above if agreed would only lead to an infill of development in the open countryside between Kibworth and the small village this exaggerating regenerated housing development in the Kibworth area.

Green Belt behind Wentworth Close Green Belt behind Birdie Close Green Belt behind Bowls Club Green Belt between Kibworth and Smeeton Green Belt near bridge towards primary school & Tin Bridge.

No new development until the neighbourhood plan has been approved and only then new development should be approved providing the infrastructure to support the developments are provided and in place.

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Any new development needs to include open space within it rather than cramming high-density housing into every available space. The route of a by-pass needs to be fused to the planning decision can be made accordingly.

Warwick Road Recreation ground. Fields at back of school hut.

Playing Fields Recreation Ground Recreation Areas should be create in any further developments including larger parks.

Map 1 - A/KB/MXD/27 existing countryside on either side of Wistow Rd, and to the west of Warwick Rd. Primary School to Railway tin bridge.

Where there is a pond/brook & substantial established hedgerows/ trees for wildlife. Some of the open farmland across from Debdale and at the back of Wentworth/ fairway/ birdie close has an abundance of swifts / swallows in the summer there re also owls nesting near birdie close. Areas of woodland/ Coppice should not be touched & the canal should remain undeveloped. Green spaces are important for both physical and mental health for all ages. The allotments must be preserved.

All Merton College land.

Yes, land behind Beauchamp Rd, Cedar Close next to Cricket Pitch. It is used by people walking dogs etc. It has no access for building, as all adjoining roads are narrow with parked cars!! Access from Smeeton Rd would be a nightmare - very dangerous with the school etc.

Ancient green field sites (ridge & furrow) north of village should be protected & not built on

The countryside around Kibworth Harcourt (the fields between Carlton Road and Langton Road/ the windmill) must be protected. As should the gap between Kibworth and Smeeton Kibworth has already had its fair share of development.

The land around Kibworth Harcourt (to the N E) as K.H. is a conservation area. The land has medieval ridges furrow fields and ancient ponds.

The Parks, hand approaching Kibworth from great Glen, if we don't protect hand between Fleckney & Kibworth, it will become a small town "Fleckworth".

The recreation ground Grammar School playing field The green space from church car park estate to Warwick Road green space in between Kibworth Smeeton A walk way from tin bridge to Warwick Road was this on the original plan for the estate.

Map 1 All of A/KB/MXD/22 except corner already committed between Westfield and Wistow road Map 1 All of A/KB/MXD/27.

Warwick road recreation ground Smeeton road recreation ground Green field alongside the A6, particularly those footpath Green fields alongside the A6 in front of the windmill and farm.

Recreational Ground Smeeton Road. No more tennis courts!

Ones that have regularly - used footpaths running through them e.g. back of scout Hut. Although children's play area near Primary school very valuable not sure how much all the green space around there is necessarily appreciated.

Playing Fields Warwick Road.

Warwick Road Recreational Ground Current Football Ground Cricket Ground Bowling Club Tennis Club.

Recreation Grounds.

The 'rec' land/playing fields by primary school.

All the ones around Kibworth would be nice. Our green spaces within the village and particularly the green expanses that separate us from surrounding settlements like, Smeeton Fleckney and Saddington.

Yes - the field/paddock adjacent to the park in KB - accessed at the end of Wilkins Close. I think that this area is already designated as an important open space but map 2 seems to show that it has been offered for development.

Far side of Warwick Rd from the roundabout to the traffic lights at the train bridge.

I find this section extremely difficult to answer. It is always a question of head or heart. Heart says leave things be, just small infill developments. Head says drastic increase in house building is a priority and therefore Kibworth should take its fair share. I would support development as shown on map1 purely as

it could mean provision of another primary school (badly needed) another surgery (also badly needed) and access to The A6 without traffic coming through the village centre.

The Wistow road is the old boundary for development of Kibworth, particularly Harcourt. Allowing development beyond that will open the floodgates as we can now, and therefore as previously determined only small-scale infill be permitted.

Existing parks & small green spaces within existing development.

Village green Parks Fields around the village.

Green spaces around Kibworth all need protecting - I grew up in Kibworth and want to see it remain a VILLAGE, not a town it is becoming!

All those at present earmarked for development.

Woodland between Rectory Lane and Rookery Close parkland.

All south of Weir Rd. Historic Pastoral Countryside Green space on A6 -> Kibworth connect Kibworth to A6/Oadby/Grate Glen. Protect Warwick Rd.

The Medieval fishponds and ridge furrow field behind the development on Albert St, Kibworth Harcourt.

All green space should be protected. We are losing too much. Kibworth has expanded to bursting point now. The primary school is an example - it's at capacity.

1) The Warwick road open space continuing through to the children play area. It is now almost completely surrounded by mainly newly built houses 2) the public footpath running from the rear of the scout hut to Smeeton.

Fields near primary school are very important dog walking area. More parkland suitable for dog walking away from farm animals is required.

The area between railway and junior school (including its old 'ridge and furrow'). The golf course, with its pedestrian route. Space between railway and Rectory Lane estate. Smeeton Rd recreation area and tennis club.

Warwick Rd Rec with more equipment Smeeton Rd Rec but with better equipment for young children. Green open area in any boundary site, not restricted to children as near Dairy Way, "No Ball Games".

Area adjacent to Balance pond Tin bridge area.

Land near the windmill.

The existing parks within the village fields around mill lane fields around white stocks farm through to Fleckney - including the woodland trust area.

Extra dog walking areas needed.

Land between Kibworth & Leicester, Land between Kibworth & Market Harborough Land between Kibworth & Fleckney.

Area on road to Wistow.

The large open spaces adjacent to the primary school and Warwick Road park.

All the current car parks.

Infill development within Kibworth is inappropriate, as the infrastructure on the existing roads cannot cope with additional traffic. Development to the east of the A6 as shown in green on map 1 seems sensible.

No more buildings near children's park.

The open spaces to the south towards the canal. Open spaces towards Wistow are more suitable for development as they often less recreational opportunities.

All the present green spaces land between Kibworth Beauchamp + Smeeton. Land separating the Kibworth from Great Glen + Market Harborough + The Langtons. *Land behind Wentworth Close
*Kibworth Beauchamp.

Millennium Woods.

The jubilee green and the munt in Harcourt the land round golf club and around the football pitch area.

The land down Mill Lane to the canal.

Recreation area behind scout hut. All green space around primary school "dipping" pond.

Footpath/Firework/Circus field.

Parkland around primary school.

The Munt. The Golf club.

Really All of them! The area between Hillcrest Ave and the Railway line including the field. The mini field in Harcourt off the A6.

All land between the A6 dual carriageway running north and east to Langton Road.

Yes - all of them. Otherwise Kibworth will become a town, not a village. We want Kibworth to remain a rural village.

Golf club land, school playing fields and play grounds.

I would wish to emphasise that there should be no "infill" that would result in neighbouring villages being submerged into Kibworth itself.

All parks all school playing fields, allotments, sports grounds.

Recreational ground near tennis courts green land around village.

Countryside towards Wistow.

Fields on the windmill side of Harcourt.

All green spaces should be protected crown field sites should be first option.

Recreation/cricket/football/bowls area

The green area near the primary school and skate park. Fields surrounding the high school and cricket club.

Road between Kibworth and Smeeton had along the Fielding Road, Wistow Road and outside the confines of Kibworth Harcourt.

The road adjacent to the primary school and connecting with Warwick Road.

Warwick Road, Carlton Road.

Over the 20 years it is likely to be a "bits and pieces" development. It would be better to grasp the nettle and gift to expansive development to NE of Kibworth Harcourt what a 'bypass' to follow.

A/KB/MXD/27 area.

The currently planned development off Wentworth road should be rejected because of poor access.

Agriculture land either side of the A6 apparently KH from Glen right through to Caltol Road & Hangtol Road to retain the village of KH.

I am aware that this stance may be impossible but I don't think a "small village separated from Kibworth" is the answer either.

All green spaces should be protected, Kibworth has already seen too many houses, soon if this is allowed to continue Kibworth will become little Oadby, just a large collection of building and a village that has lost its identity. I would suggest have a by-pass ...

Obviously, existing recreation areas, also the village of Kibworth & Smeeton should be kept separate and not joined up. It seems clear that already the villages are experiencing problems with the extra housing already, i.e. The Dr's surgeries, the road situation ALL ways in and out of the village of the A6. Are becoming more dangerous. Schools are not adequate for more pupils. The Co-op is not adequate. We

have little or no policing ... the fire station is to go. Kibworth should be allowed to retain their village status and not be joined up into a new town!

The open land to the south of fairway accessed from Wentworth Close should not happen because of the enormous rise in traffic through weir road, Springfield Crescent, New Road etc. Also, I hope the green space between Kibworth and Smeeton Westerby will be protected.

Land at the back of 9 Wentworth close near the golf club.

All green spaces that we currently have. As a resident of Rochester close, we used to feel that we lived in the countryside - not any more! Too many houses by far have already been built & trees cut down.

We are in favour of the minimum units of housing read by H.D.C therefore most of the open countryside can & should be retained. Also, we are in favour of any bypass or relief road at all.

The green space between Kibworth Beauchamp and Smeeton Westerby is particularly important. If this is closed it will inevitably merge the 2 villages into a town with no district council.

Due to the curve in the road and volume of traffic head past the - out of Kibworth on Hackney Road, I feel no development should happen on either side of the road. IF development should go ahead a NEW additional primary school must be built to ensure our school remains a "small village" primary school.

All current green spaces are an asset to Kibworth and should be protected at all costs current building plans as outlined threaten to destroy this lovely historic village.

We have to accept additional housing That does not mean we have to lose the space between Kibworth and elsewhere or that the rural landscape has to disappear - that's what planners are supposed to take into account. Additional development needs to be located and additional roads built with consideration to not increase traffic flows along Fleckney Rd/New Rd-unless many more speed humps are also installed to slow traffic and make it attractive as a cut through.

All in and around the current Kibworth and between Kibworth and Smeeton. Stop developing green field sites.

Land at side of golf club. Land opposite Kibworth Business Park.

Great Glen bypass to Kibworth Harcourt.

Strongly believe the fields around the old side of Kibworth Harcourt should be retained. We have an old part of the village steepened in history to enclose it in estates would be tragic.

The fields opposite Birdie Close should be protected. They are of outstanding natural beauty and have home to an amazing variety of bird life. E.g. great crested newts, grass snakes, foxes, butterflies and birds of prey. These fields are all ridge and follow and historically are very important and need to be protected as part of our national heritage.

The Grammar School playing fields and recreation grounds.

The playing fields recreation grounds & countryside currently on the edge of the current village plan.

The 'Ridge and furrow' land behind Fairway/Springfield Crescent/Wentworth Close.

Wistow Park.

I am concerned about the large area of development and Kibworth losing its village character. I presume amenities will increase in accordance with this development.

The countryside surrounding the Kibworth's and Smeeton are a big part of what gives the area its character. Therefore I believe that all green field space within and around the area should be protected from property developers looking to cash in.

1. AKBMSG23 AND AKBMSG18 i.e. land east of Wentworth Close/south east of The Fairway 2. akbmsg15 i.e. land east of the cricket field/club akbhsg16 i.e. land north of this cricket field/club.

Smeeton Rd Recreation Ground Separation zone between Kibworth i.e. fields and hedges and footpaths ALL existing trees, hedges.

Land to the west of Fleckney road, between the road and Mill Lane from the cricket club all the way across to "the bend" All the land now unbuilt on between Kibworth and Smeeton with the exception of the proposed new medical centre which I think is essential. Land beyond Marsh Avenue in Kibworth Harcourt, between there and Tur Langton.

The land to the east and west of the A6 when approaching the village from Oadby direction should be protected, in my opinion.

The green spaces between Smeeton and Kibworth- any ancient farmland with ridge and furrow. Any farmland with particularly high biodiversity.

The park in Albert Street opposite The Old House, the field behind including the fishponds and the old avenue of conker trees on the field boundary at right angles to the fishponds. The spinney opposite The Old House. The Munt. The spinney on the right hand side travelling towards Carlton up the Carlton Road (below Kibworth Hall). The field between the Primary School and the railway line and the nearby playing fields plus the green areas along the railway line below The Villas and Rookery Close. The Recreation Ground and all fields that separate Kibworth from Smeeton.

The areas outlined as A/KB/MXD/27 & A/KB/MXD/22!!!!

Present areas by Junior School and by tennis club.

Sports field round primary school.

Rear of Old Bowls Club adjacent to Kibworth Cricket Club.

The Munt and its field.

Recreation grounds & playing fields (2 people)

End of St Wilfrid's Close recreation round to The Meadows.

A bypass is desperately needed therefore it makes sense to make developers pay for infrastructure. Green spaces could lie between the existing villages and the new road.

Countryside between Kibworth and Smeeton and Debdale Lane towards Foxton, Gumley and the canal. Please do join Kibworth to other villages or Market Harborough!! Countryside between Kibworth, Fleckney and Saddington.

The fields in the middle of the village, bordered by The Tithings, primary school and railway line.

Rural wedge to the north of Kibworth between Warwick and Wistow Road.

Looking at the maps it seems sensible to protect the smaller infill sites. If we have to have further housing perhaps we should continue with the present development on Warwick Road and keep it all in one place.

At the back of the Fairway and Birdie Close (2 people).

Land south of Wentworth Close/ Fairway to preserve the open, green space view of Kibworth seen from the A6 approach from Market Harborough.

The centre of Kibworth and all of the amenities cannot cope with any more housing.

Fields around and adjoining the bowls club and at the back of the cricket club.

The green space around (outside) the primary school playing field, which is part and parcel of the David Wilson Estate.

Land East of Wentworth Close. Provides important open countryside viewed on approach from Market Harborough & provides rural feel before built up area of industrial units/ Crouches Garage etc.

Green space along Warwick Road.

Any that are left. If I wanted to live in a town I would. Space must be left for a bypass in the village does some one have to die before we have safe roads? Any more houses in the village and we will all have to work from home. Don't tell me again that there is no trouble getting on to the A6.

Open space around the Smeeton Road recreation ground so that it retains a rural feel.

I moved to Kibworth many years ago because it was an oasis among beautiful countryside. The original insidious erosion is now blatant. That lovely community spirit is almost lost and a city mentality is taking its place. I think I will be forced to move eventually, to a smaller community where the people and the land are precious.

Farm fields south of Wentworth Rd Park near tennis club and park near Primary school.

All land in Map 1 marked A/KB/22 except the paddock next to Westfield and that marked A/KB/MXD/27 until a bypass route has been positively set aside.

Fields beside Carlton Road. Near the golf course/back of Birdie Close.

All of them especially the parks & space between villages & by the golf course.

The paddock and former fishponds to the north of Albert St, Kibworth Harcourt are part of the Conservation Area and should be protected permanently from any development as they are key to the historic and rural setting of the village.

Ideally all green spaces should be protected - they are a key quality of living in the village. Especially south of the village.

Footpath/ firework/circus field on A6.

Field with animals next to St Wilfred's Close - central position keeps the village rural.

There should be a green boundary/buffer area between any new and existing housing.

Land bordering streams. The areas around the windmill and heritage sites. Land that give good views of countryside around Kibworth(s).

Another village is a possibility I had not considered, but where to site it? It would need it's own facilities, transport links and infrastructure and roads able to cope. I consider all green spaces of equal value.

West of Kibworth Harcourt and alongside the A6.

Golf Club Tennis club field Primary school/playground field.

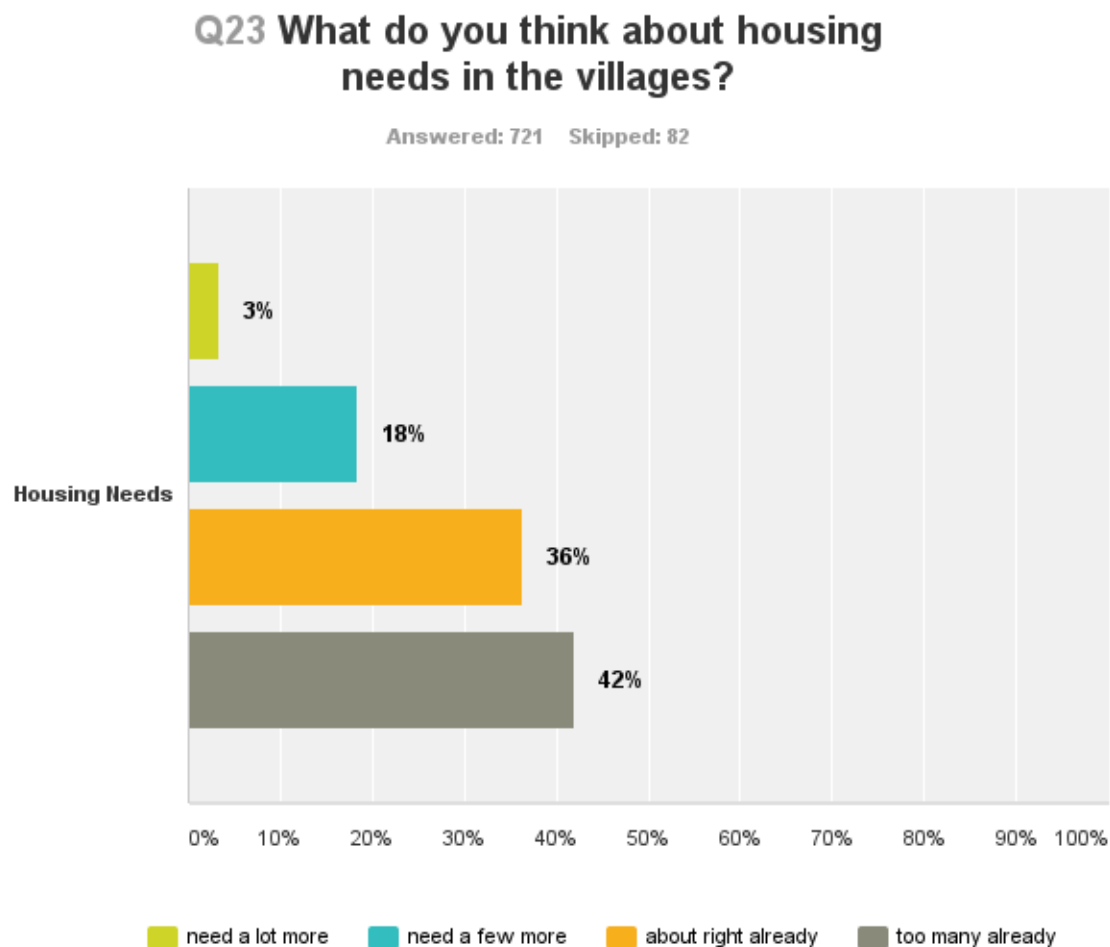
I object to the wording here. The UK is not a dictatorship so housing is not inevitable in Kibworth and should be very strongly opposed. Kibworth should be preserved as it is now.

Separate housing development along A6 going towards Great Glen as Kibworth cannot uphold further development and specifically traffic volumes, in fact traffic volumes are too high already and it will only take a major accident before HDC take notice.

Warwick Road land leading down to the back of Gladstone Street.

I do believe the village should grow, even if it is a new village on it's own as it is so hard for young people to find affordable housing.

Opinions about whether more housing is needed



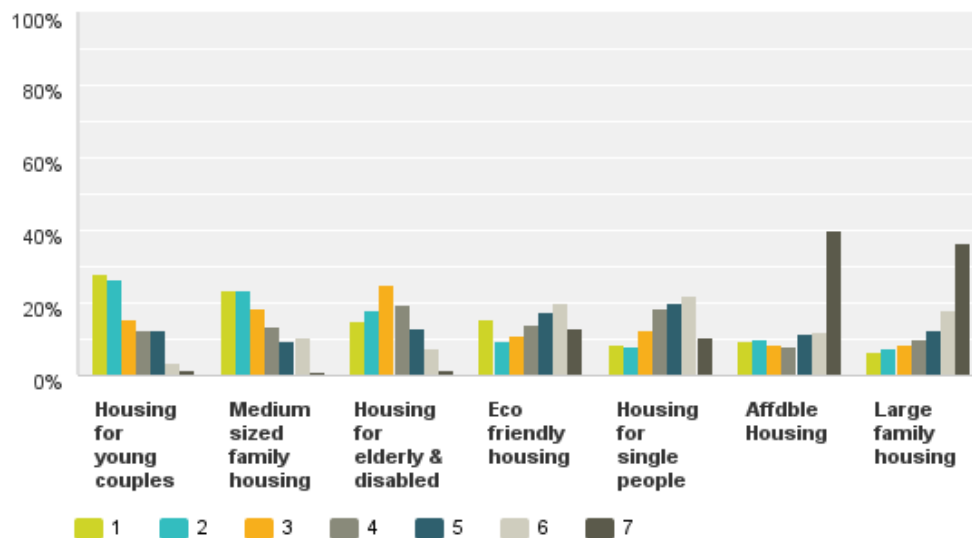
Although there is a requirement for Kibworth to respond positively to the need for additional housing provision within Harborough District, the respondents to this questionnaire are overwhelmingly against any further development. 78% of those responding felt that the number of houses is about right already or that there are too many already. Only 21% feel that more housing is needed.

The answer by 42% of respondents indicating that there are too many houses already may suggest that they feel the recent increase in housing has had a detrimental effect on Kibworth.

The housing needs that respondents feel are important

Q24 If new housing is built in the Kibworths which types would be important to you? Please number these from 1 (most favoured) to 7 (least favoured)

Answered: 692 Skipped: 111



This question asked respondents to assume new housing is to be built and to rank selected housing types from what they consider to be most important down to the least important.

Housing for young couples was clearly considered the most important followed by medium sized family housing. Both had a sizable number who ranked them first and second.

Housing for the elderly and disabled had much support, ranking this house type third.

Eco-friendly housing had a more unusual spread, a relatively large portion of respondents placing this as most important yet the more respondents placed it fifth and sixth. Unlike the other housing types, eco-friendly features can be included in each of the other housing types.

Housing for single people was predominantly ranked fourth, fifth and sixth.

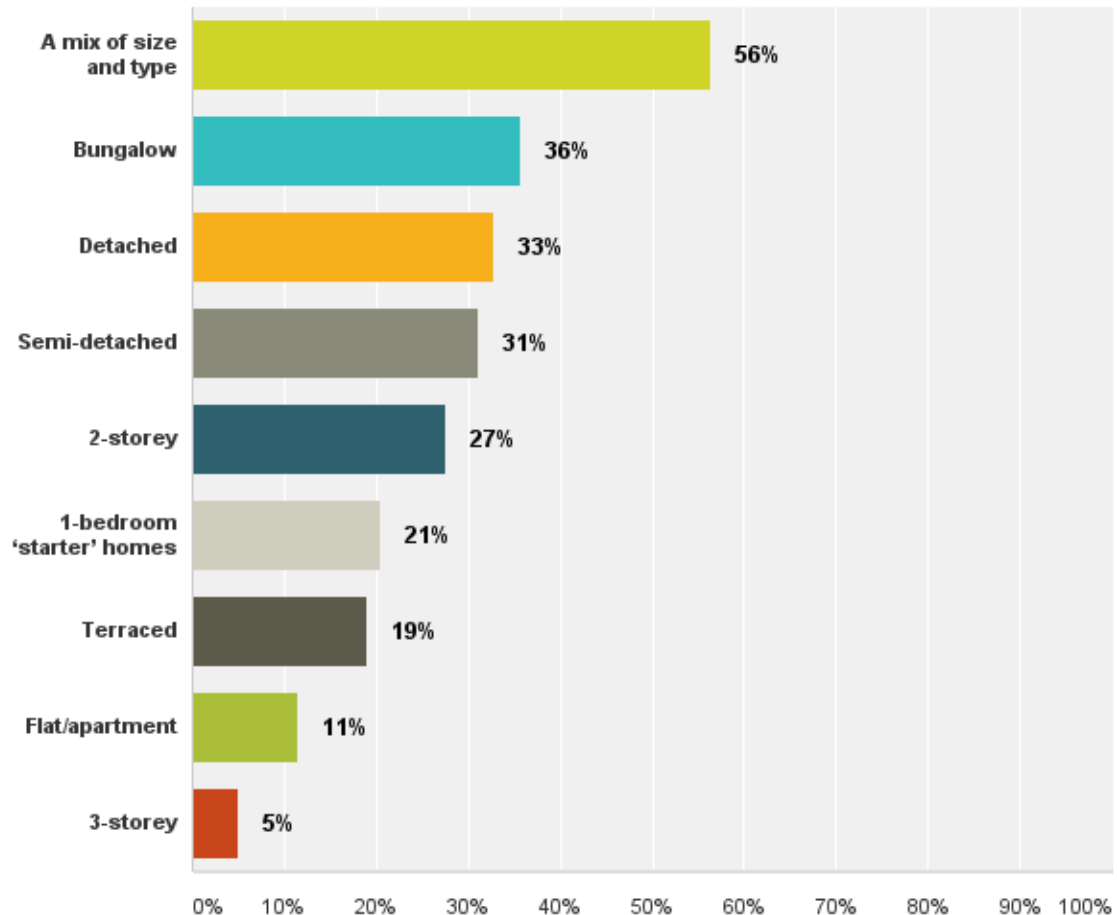
Affordable Housing was overwhelmingly ranked seventh.

Large family housing was rated seventh by fewer respondents than affordable housing but had an overall lower importance rating.

The housing types that respondents feel are important

Q25 If new houses are to be built in the Kibworths, which types would you prefer?

Answered: 710 Skipped: 93



This question also assumes that new houses are to be built and asks respondents which house types they would prefer. This question differs from Q24 as this focuses more on the type of building rather than who it is for.

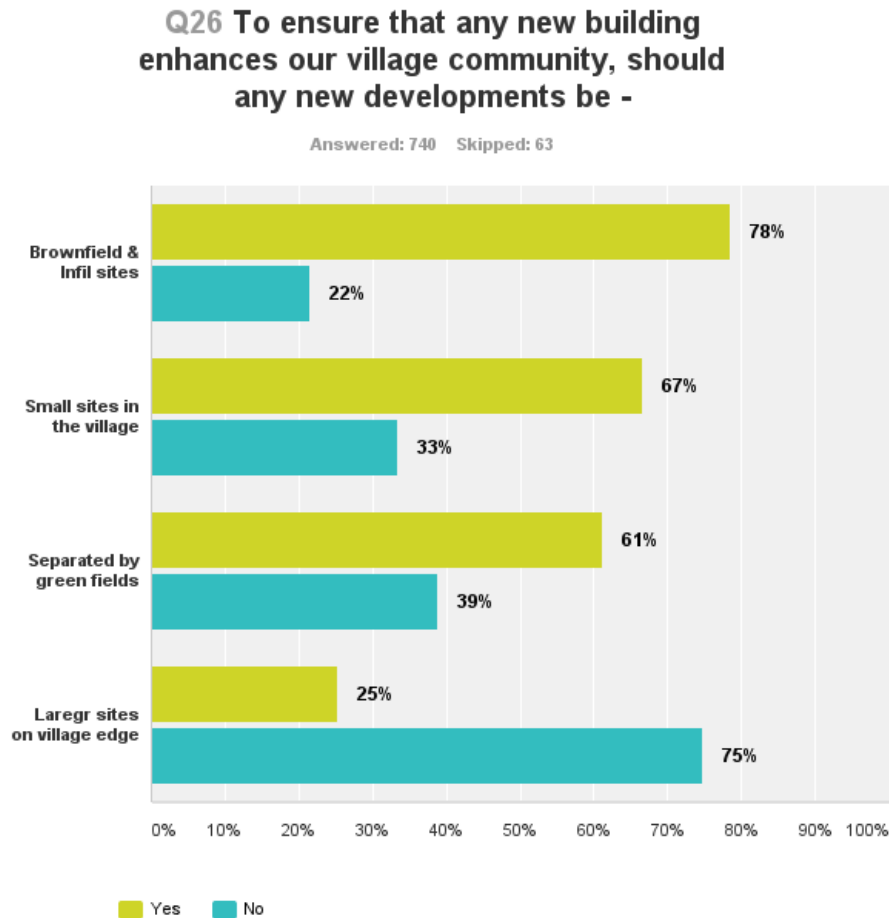
Multiple answers were accepted for this question and no ranking was required. The chart therefore reflects the percentage of respondents who indicated a preference for each house type.

Over half of respondents identified that a range of housing needs should be met by a mix of size and type of homes.

Starter homes and flat/apartments, more likely to be affordable for younger people, were not preferred by many respondents.

Respondents were invited to identify other types of housing they would prefer to see. Four mentioned retirement housing; four suggested Eco housing, two said self-build; four were keen to emphasise that they wanted no housing; three said that affordability is a key consideration and two said that they wanted houses of character but in keeping with existing architecture.

The types of housing development that respondents feel are appropriate

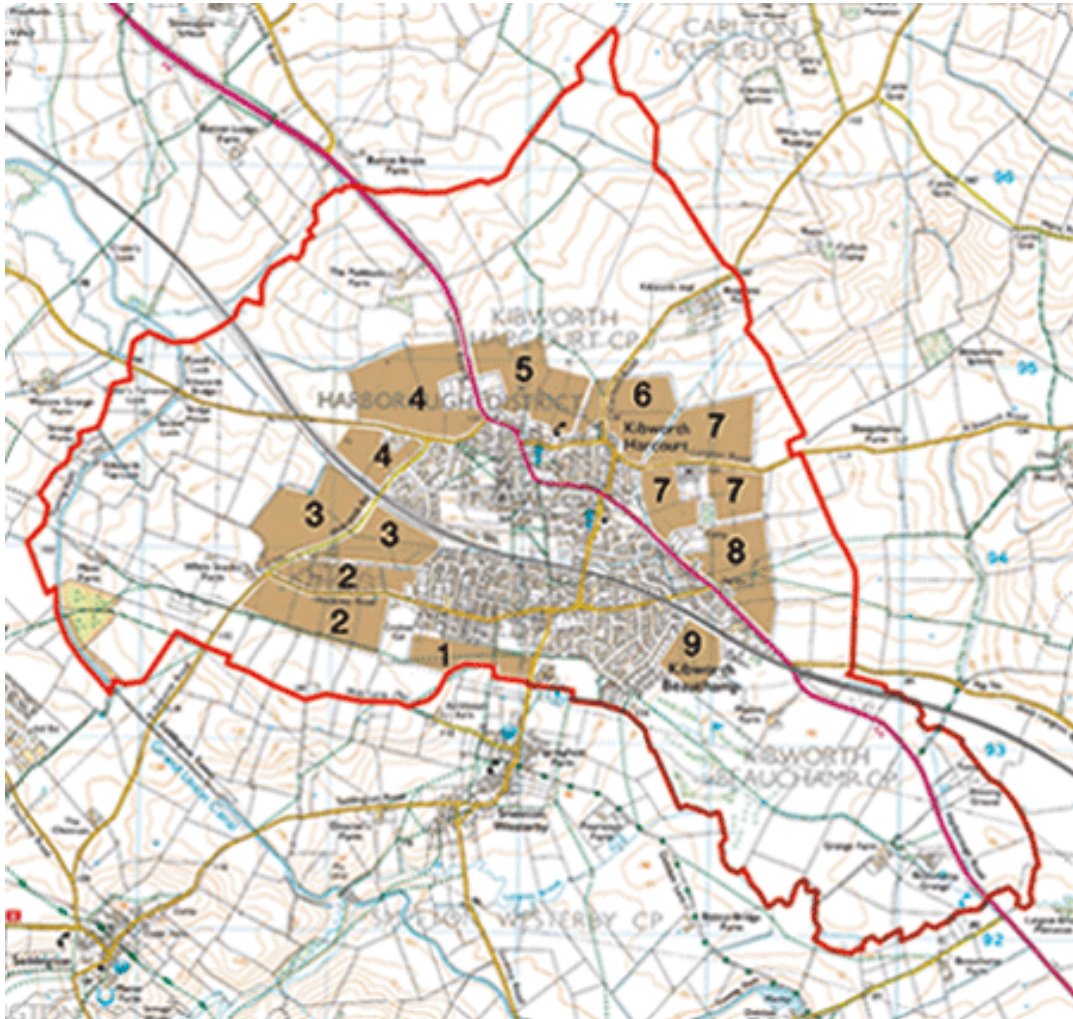


This question again assumed some building will be taking place and looked beyond individual homes to explore the type of overall development respondents would prefer. They were invited to respond to each option.

The most positive response was for 'only on 'brown-field' sites and infill', 78%. Second most popular was the similar 'spread around the village on small sites' with 67%.

A more radical option for dwellings 'separated from existing settlements by green fields' received a less enthusiastic but nonetheless positive response.

The option to build 'on larger sites on the edge of the village' however, was 3 to 1 against. This is of interest as this is, of course, what has happened recently in Kibworth, as in many similar towns and villages. It appears, from this response, not to be an option that the residents of Kibworth want.

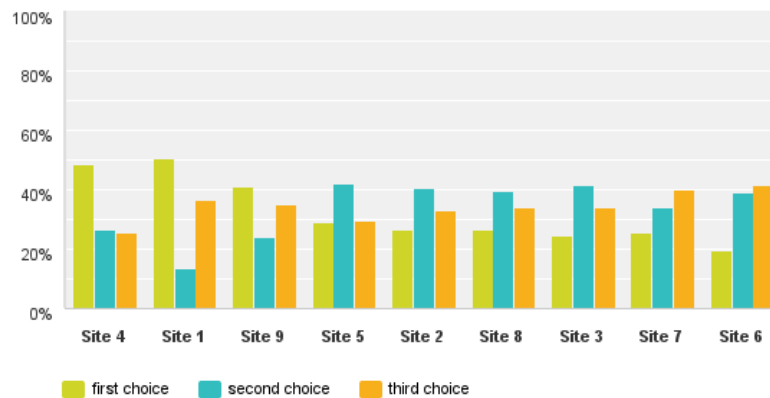


Map 3 identifying possible sites for new housing

Preferred sites for potential development

Q27 There will have to be more housing built in the Kibworths over the next 15 years. Using the sites identified on Map 3 below, please indicate whether you support development at the following sites. Please indicate your three preferred options from 1 (most favoured) to 3 (least favoured).

Answered: 669 Skipped: 134



Respondents selected their three preferred sites for development from the 9 offered for consideration.

The graph of responses orders them from left to right as the most popular (site four) down to the least popular (site six).

Please note that this graph only shows the percentage of first, second and third choice responses each option received. The table below shows the actual numbers who supported each site.

	First choice	Second choice	Third choice	Total	Weighted Average
Site 4	48% 142	26% 77	25% 74	293	1.77
Site 3	24% 63	41% 107	34% 88	258	2.10
Site 1	50% 125	13% 33	36% 90	248	1.86
Site 9	41% 94	24% 55	35% 80	229	1.94
Site 2	27% 59	41% 90	33% 73	222	2.06
Site 8	26% 51	39% 76	34% 66	193	2.08
Site 5	29% 55	42% 80	29% 56	191	2.01
Site 7	26% 46	34% 61	40% 72	179	2.15
Site 6	19% 31	39% 62	42% 66	159	2.22

Question 28 invited respondents to suggest other sites for development. 116 responded of which 65 said no to any form of new development.

Of those suggesting other alternatives, proximity to the by-pass was prominent as was a link to a railway station.

Two people wrote that 'we need a bypass before any more building.'

A purpose built new town or village was mentioned by several respondents

Fleckney was mentioned four times. Great Glenn, Smeeton and Saddington were mentioned twice.

Other responses:

We should be careful which plots we assign. Land should be earmarked for the bypass even if building it is not achievable in the immediate future.

Back of 8 West Langton Road

NO. Spoiling a lovely village

Only in-fill and any old industrial buildings

Replace industrial units on New St with housing; move industrial units to A6 Harborough Rd near the BT Exchange.

Between Great Glen and Kibworth

A new village south of Great Glen linked to a railway station.

Land east of location 9 around Mason's Farm to give access to the A6 east of the railway bridge.

In between Kibworth and Market Harborough

Market Harborough needs more housing to create demand for Local Retailers

A new village between Kibworth & MacDonald's roundabout.

Build by-pass. Build big house development infill by Harcourt then we would get big support for infrastructure such as school, health centres, etc. Little packets of housing are no benefit to village.

If there has to be more housing I think it should be north of locations 4 and 5. I don't think any more housing should be built which will access onto Fleckney Road, which certainly can't cope with any more traffic!

Nowhere! But if you have to, build on the land by diary way/new estate.

A New Village, with green field separation, between The Meadows and the Canal.

Shangton Care Village.

Add on to a town or city where there are already facilities.

No it is becoming too developed as it is and ruining the community feel.

These last questions give no option for 'no further development'. If one has answered 'too many' to Q23 - there is little point asking Q24-28.

None at all. I strongly object to the 'will' in the wording. Who decides? Is the UK no longer a democracy?

I am afraid I do not support large new developments in /around the village. Kibworth Meadows has ruined the village, as it is too big. Traffic into the village is excessive, selfishly parked, and A6 access turning right is a huge problem at peak times. Several other issues also.

Another village.

Away from the main villages - a new site with a good infrastructure and communication routes. A site that would not adversely impact the current road system; one with its own access to the A6...

In fields beyond cricket club & opposite garden centre .

Centre of Leicester.

Lutterworth.

Coalville.

Grimsby.

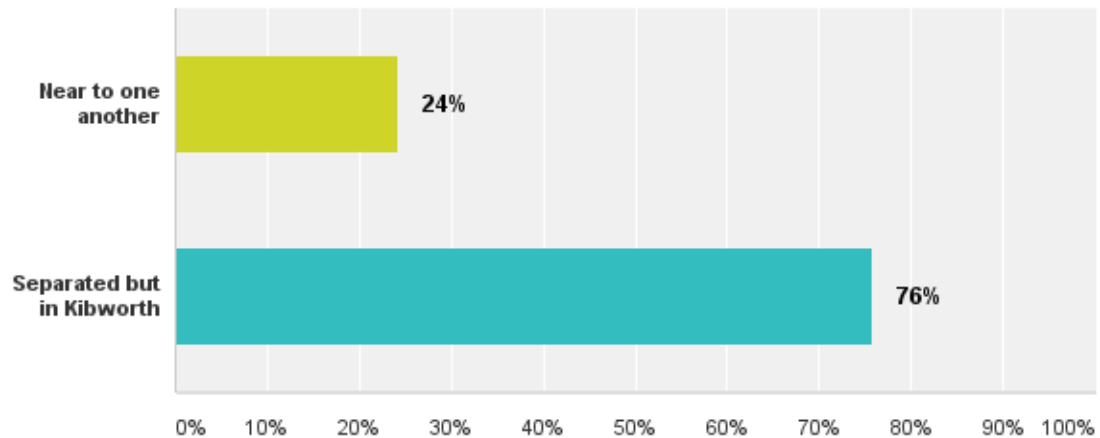
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Health

Opinions about GP Surgeries

Q29 Do you think the two surgeries should be:

Answered: 677 Skipped: 126

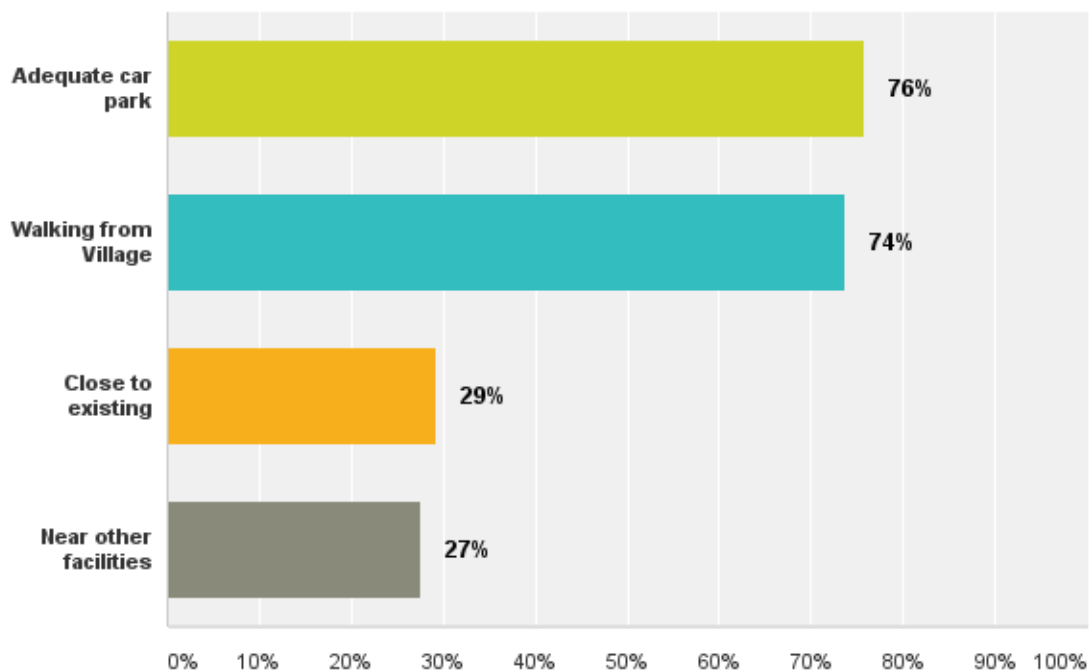


Q29 asked where they preferred their two health surgeries to be: 'closely located to one another' or 'at well separated locations but still attached to Kibworth'. Respondents were in favour of the latter 3:1.

Opinions about the location of a potential new health facility

Q30 What is important to you in the location of a new health facility?

Answered: 732 Skipped: 71



Respondents were asked about important factors in the location of a new health facility. They were given four separate factors to consider and were invited to identify each factor they thought important.

Two factors were considered to be important: 'There is adequate car parking' and 'the new facility is within walking distance of the village centre'.

The remaining two choices were not considered to be important overall: 'The new facility is as close as possible to the existing surgery' and 'the facility is near to other community facilities'.

69 people responded to the invitation to add a comment:

One respondent commented, 'The new health centre should be where the new houses are and the existing facilities should stay put'. Another person said, 'This is an essential requirement and it should have priority planning'.

16 commented that a new surgery should be near to new housing
8 said that it should be close to a pharmacy
8 felt it should be within close and safe walking distance for elderly people
5 said it must be near a bus stop. Three mentioned the importance of disabled access
4 wanted good parking, access and drop off points
4 mentioned a single site for a large health centre
2 stated that no further traffic is encouraged through the village

One person felt that there was no need for additional facilities whilst 3 felt that a total of three surgeries are needed.

One said it must offer value for money and another 'not Smeeton Road'.

'I ticked "closely located to one another" above because I think the surgeries should be within the entire of the village and thus they would be close! They should be in walking distance for the majority living in the village'.

'Develop on existing site; there is abundantly no need. It would be a green field development, and it's starting to fill the gap between the village'.

Quality of Care was important to several respondents:

The ability to actually see a doctor when required. Find it very difficult to even obtain an appointment.

That it deliver a first class service with adequate appointment times, I don't really mind where it is - it's more important that a health professional be available. If that means building a bigger, newer centre to attract/house more staff then it would get my vote!

That it has a comprehensive range of additional services for older patients, nurses and special clinics etc.

Quality of the medical care is more important.

Large enough to offer a fuller range of facilities e.g. x-rays etc.

Why can't both surgeries be merged into a single practice and expanded to provide urgent care?

3 people said more doctors are needed to reduce waiting times.

Where it is located in the village does not really concern me, only that it will be able to greatly increase the number of doctors available, as currently it is very very difficult to get suitable appointments. I got the impression that the new proposed Health Centre would not be increasing its number of doctors so why move?

The practice should be of a size sufficient to cope with the number of people in the village. We should NOT lose the ability to get same day appointments.

Open longer and later in day.

It must be big enough to accommodate all these extra people.

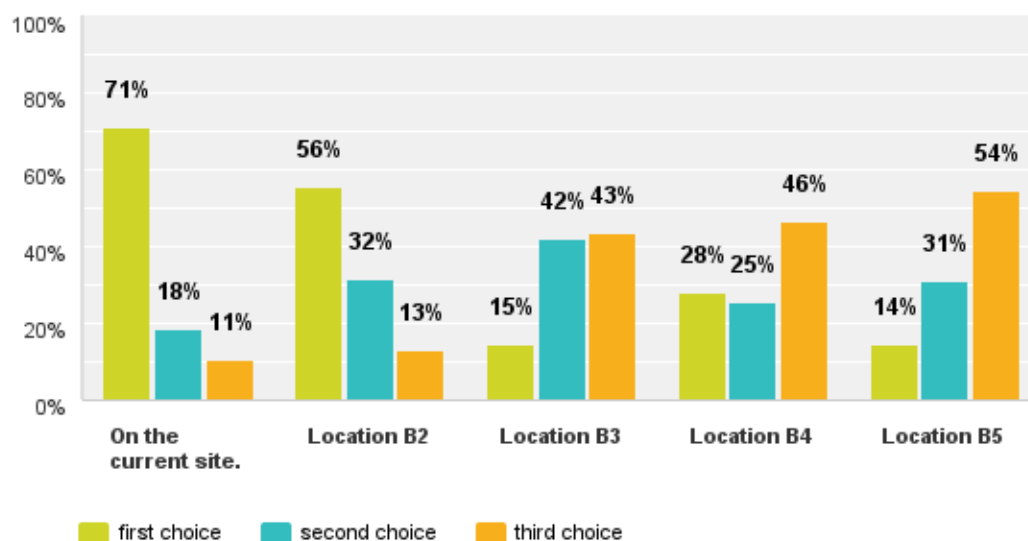


Map 4 showing potential locations for a new health facility

Preferred sites for a new health facility

Q31 Using the sites identified on Map 4 below, please indicate where Kibworth Health Centre should be located. Please number these from 1 (most favoured) to 3 (least favoured).

Answered: 627 Skipped: 176



Respondents were invited to select their three preferred sites for development from the 5 offered for consideration.

Two sites received a particularly positive response, the current site and location B2.

There were several comments and specific sites were suggested:

The Raitha's site mentioned by 4 people.

Clock Tower Gardens.

Grammar School Hall site.

Clarkes New Road.

New St industrial unit or back off working men's club.

Where the swan pub is.

I heard there was some doubt about the long-term survival of the Kibworth Club on Fleckney Road. There is also a property for sale on Fleckney Road that I believe adjoins land onto the car park of the club. Maybe the 2 properties could be purchased and utilised for a health centre.

I don't think any of the other sites suggested are suitable, whichever direction you would be walking from the centre of the village to one of the suggested sites would be an uphill walk of some distance.

None, both surgery so should join and be at the old Indian restaurant on the A6.

A combined practise on the site of the railway public house and the large property next door.

Location does not really concern me as long as the 2 (or 3) are spaced across the village.

Proposed sites are too far from the village centre.

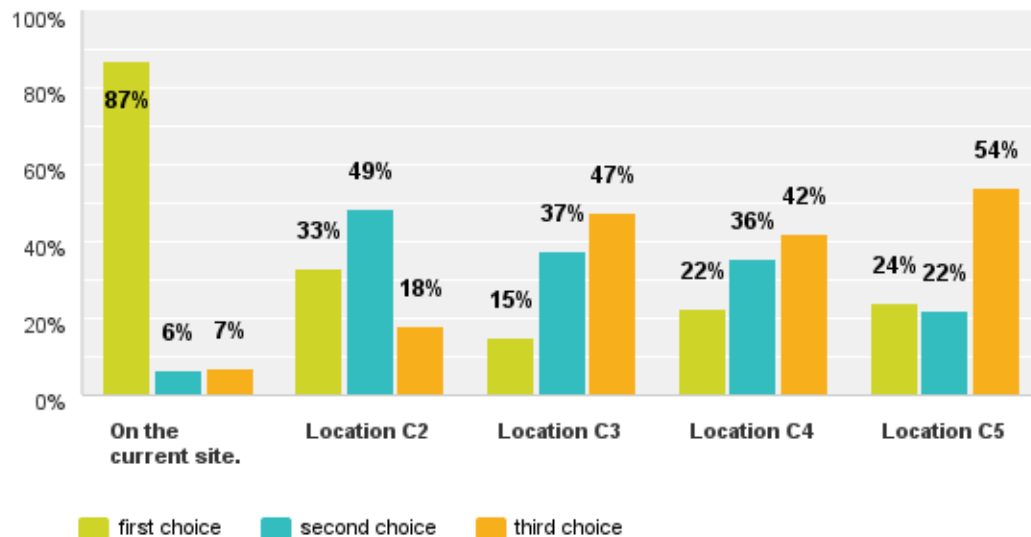
Land behind clock tower on corner of Smeeton Road and High Street.

The only site that makes any sense is B2. This centre has been in the village for as long as I can remember and is an essential service but it is now dated and inadequate. It should not in under any circumstances be blocked.

Preferred sites for Old School Surgery

Q32 Also using Map 4, please indicate where Old School Surgery should be located. Please number these from 1 (most favoured) to 3 (least favoured).

Answered: 660 Skipped: 143



Respondents were invited to select their three preferred sites for development from the 5 offered for consideration.

One site, the current location, was an overwhelmingly popular response.

There were several comments and specific sites were suggested:

If it is the smaller practice perhaps occupy renovated vacant o/a Health centre.

If location 2 & 3 are developed then it should be in that area.

Former "Rose and Crown" site.

Chemist car park. By railway bridge.

Expansion into 4 Station Street.

Silly idea C4 all right if you live in Kibworth Harcourt. Dreadful on a wet day if you live in Weir Road.
Needs to be a central.

Raitha's - A6.

A6 Main Road.

New St Industrial unit or the back of The Working Men's Club.

Land adjacent to station allow access through Tithings.

Where the Swan pub is.

The question assumes that Old School will move. Is there a need to do so?

Leave it where it is as a village centre surgery.

Land next to Westfield, Leicester Road, Kibworth Harcourt (A/KB/HSG/06).

A combined practise on the site of The Railway public house and the large property next door.

Proposed sites are too far from the village centre.

Land adjacent to island opposite old congregational church with entrance on Wistow Road.

It would make sense that if there are to be two (or more) surgeries, that they be better spread out within the community. Parking at the current location causes all manner of problems and traffic - best it be moved from there...

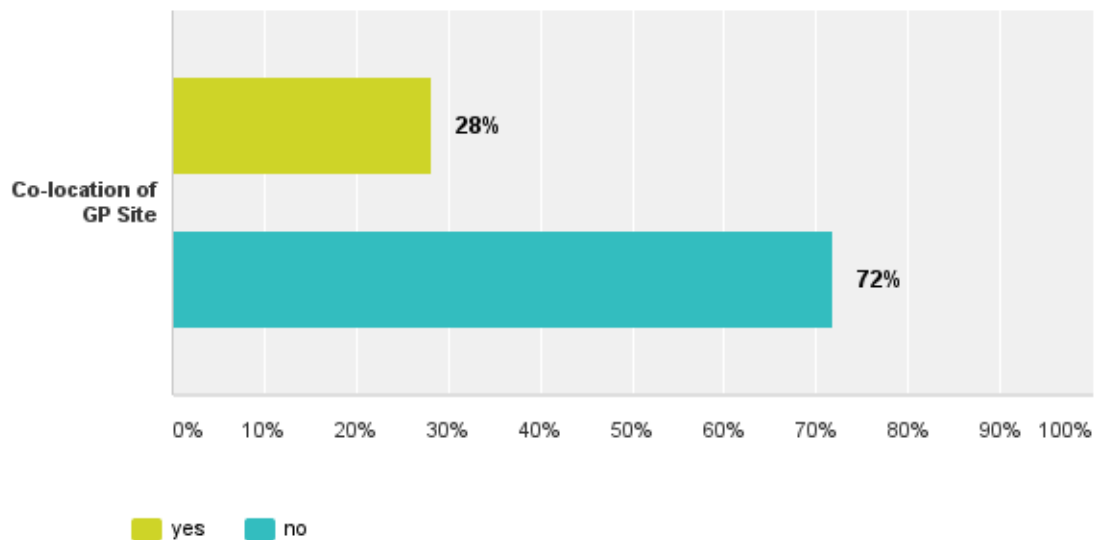
C4 is ok if development goes ahead.

The location should be determined once we know where future housing will be going.

Opinions about whether a single site health facility is desirable

Q33 If the two GP practices were to co-locate on a single site this could require a substantial development area. Is a single site a good idea?

Answered: 705 Skipped: 98

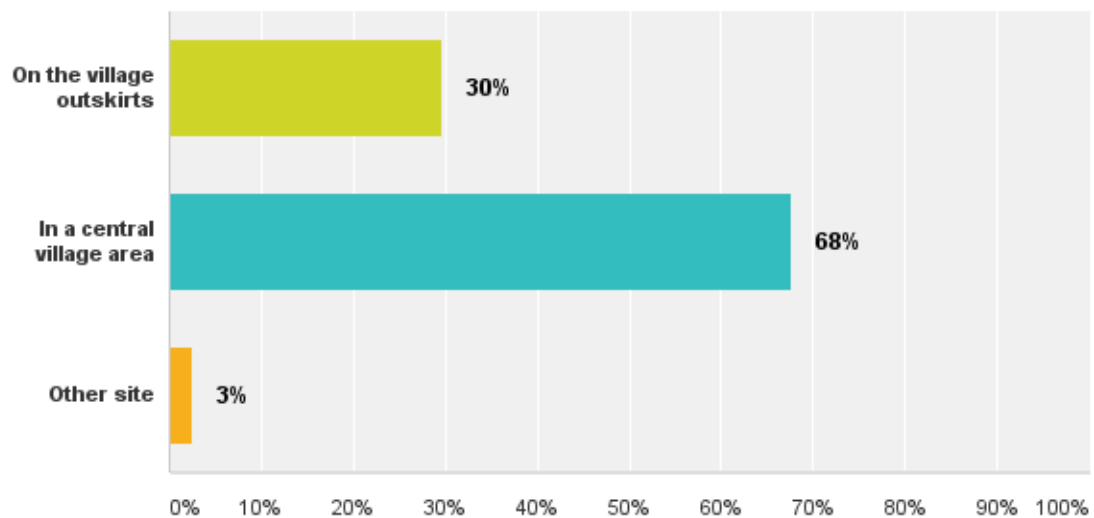


Correlating with many of the comments from earlier related questions, the overwhelming view from respondents was that a single site, enabling the co-location of the two GP practices is not a good idea.

Preferred location for a single site health facility

Q34 If a single site surgery were to be built, which location would you prefer?

Answered: 626 Skipped: 177



Notwithstanding the predominant view of Q33, 626 people responded to this question and over two thirds of respondents supported a village centre location for a single surgery.

There were 200 comments summarised below:

25 people suggested Smeeton Road.

10 said The Old Rose and Crown / Raitha's site.

6 people specifically expressed concerns about parking and congestion.

3 suggested by Lloyd's chemist.

2 said expansion into 4 Station Street.

2 mentioned Fleckney Road.

3 People said there is no suitable central site.

Walking distance for elderly people was also mentioned.

Other suggestions were: Old Grammar School car park, on the A6 / Bus route, village outskirts, Near bus route/parking, available to village but a brown site, the Kibworth Club site, Next to Kibworth School, Clarke's, New Road, The Old Infant's School, Wistow Road, Warwick Road, near to A6, Land next to Westfield, Leicester Road, Kibworth Harcourt, School Lane, opposite cricket ground next to bowling club.

Further comments:

It needs to be in the centre keep it a community.

Highest convenience for greatest number of residents.

It should be borne in mind that not all village residents have access to a car particularly some of the poorer elderly residents. For this reason any new health care centre should be as central and as easily accessible as possible.

A combined practice on the site of the Railway public house and the large semi-derelict property next door. This could also include the existing old school surgery building.

Probably B4/C4 (although I would not endorse the building of a couple of hundred houses behind and around it!).

The disused site of the former Rose and Crown pub might be ideal for a new Health Centre. There is a large building which could be sympathetically adapted whilst maintaining the character of the building, which is an historical landmark within the village. The bowling alley would allow for more rigorous development and there is further room in the car park for construction of more buildings if required. It would be a much more constructive and helpful use of the land as opposed to the site-excluding fences that are there at the moment.

Further along Smeeton Road would still be convenient as long as there is an adequate car park. It would be ideal in a central village area but there's probably not enough vacant space available unless something is demolished.

Use the site of the surgery, the building next door and the library across the road. Library should be integrated into the community hall across the road, which should be knocked down and redeveloped to suit the modern needs of the community.

It won't work, but Old School site.

I can't think of a suitable central site, unless it was to replace current commercial sites on New Road.

HC facilities should be where the new houses are located both should have 2 centers to cope with new residents but not located together.

Several comments opposed the idea of a single surgery:

It would be preferable to have one in Harcourt and one in Beauchamp. However if a vast development were to exist one would prefer it be on the outskirts.

Only doctors can answer.

What will be the point of two practices on one site might as well amalgamate the practices.

Many people are not mobile.

If serving a sizeable geographic and a single site health centre will create village congestion. If on a site on village outskirts, how will people get there unless in a car (or bike) – RIDICULOUS.

On the land off the roundabout, which has been discussed as service station or supermarket and with this new co-surgery, should be a larger and more adequate pharmacy. Good car parking not more houses.

Although I admire the efforts of the KPNG, the outcome of these plans & H.D.C will have their way. With only massive disruption again and again to our everyday lives. We have all had to put up with continual road closures, disruption, building, traffic queues, traffic lights, utility disturbances. The list is endless and more importantly the loss of green belt land, views and the villages as we knew them. SAD-SAD.

There is obviously no-where in a "central village area" big enough to take a single site surgery for all the additional people who now live in the village, let alone when even MORE building has been done.

Q33 & 34 are hypothetical and cannot be answered rationally without further information, such as how much area is needed, what are the benefits of co-location etc.

It needs to be walking distance for old people, which is why i think more than one health centre is required.

Existing patients for both surgeries are mostly located near and around the existing surgeries, so it would be silly and very inconvenient for all those patients to move the surgeries to a different and/or not a good idea to have a single surgery as location would doubtless disadvantage some residents in terms of access/nearness.

The size of the development would require a site outside the central village area.

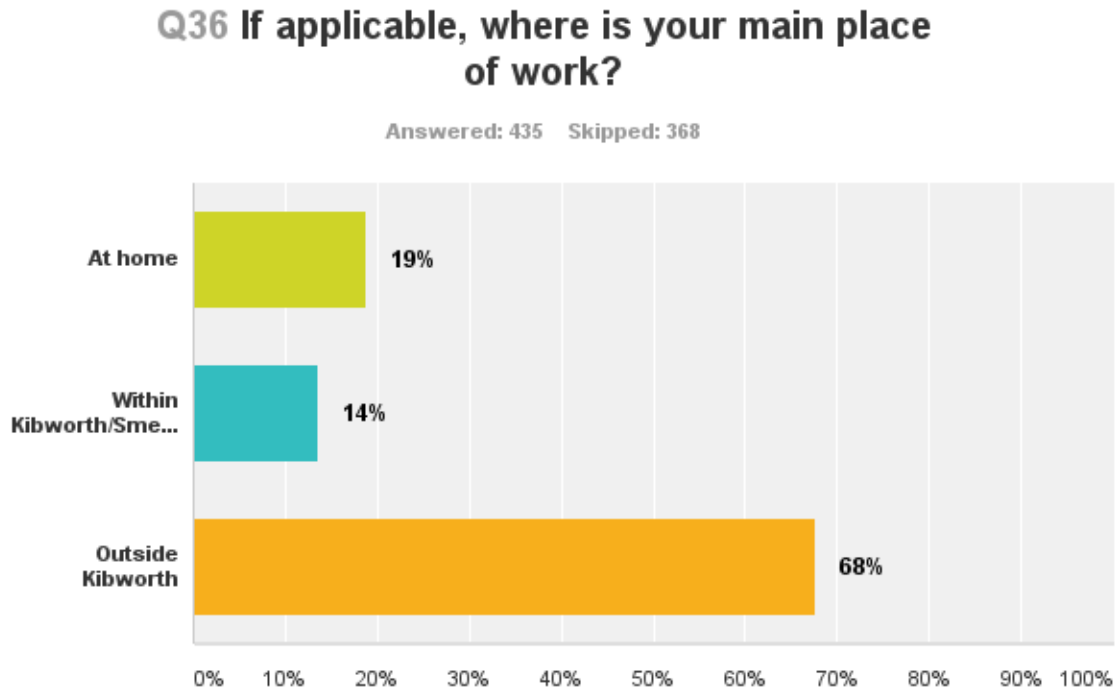
None, they should be separate facilities rather than one super facility. One large centre will lose it atmosphere and village feeling when you go to the surgery.

Not a good Idea.

This is a crazy idea.

Traffic

Location of respondents' place of work

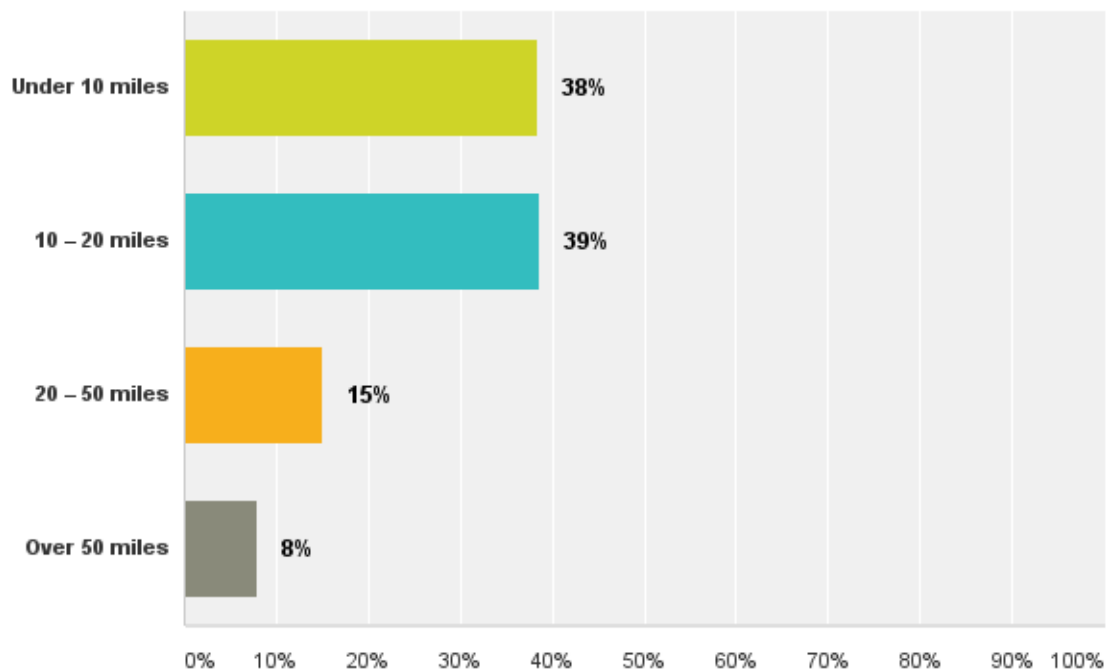


More than two thirds of working respondents do so outside Kibworth. However, a significant 19% now work from home.

Distance of travel to work

Q37 If you answered 'Outside Kibworth' to the previous question, how far do you travel to work?

Answered: 305 Skipped: 498

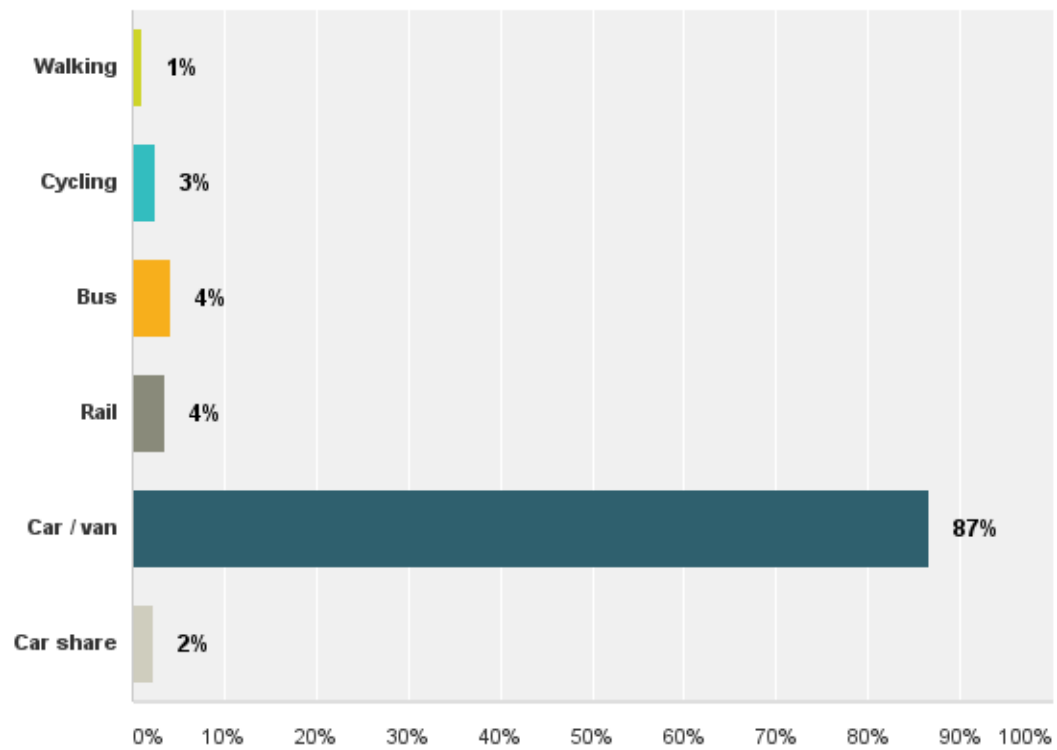


Over three quarters of those working outside Kibworth do so fewer than 20 miles. To counter the 19% working from home, with no journey to work, 23% work over 20 miles away and 8% over 50 miles away.

Mode of travel to work

Q38 If you work outside of Kibworth, what major mode of transport do you normally use to travel to work?

Answered: 312 Skipped: 491



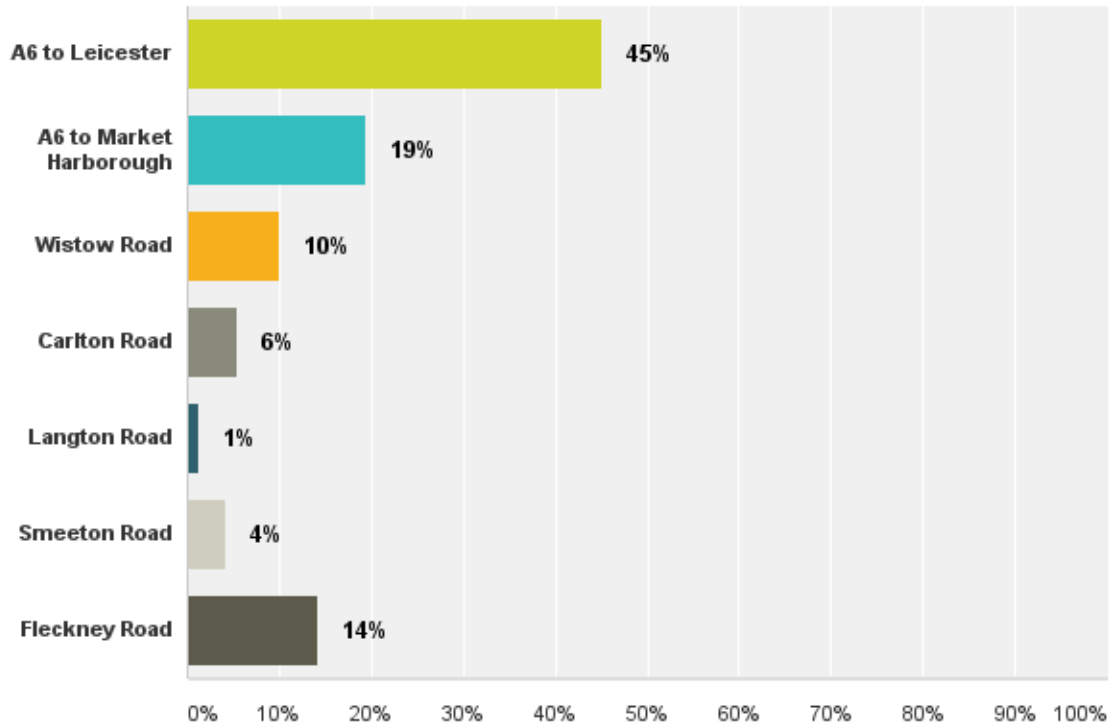
The overwhelming majority of those working outside Kibworth travel by car.

Perhaps there is scope to increase the 2% who car share.

Direction of travel to work

Q39 If you drive to work, which route do you take out of the village?

Answered: 308 Skipped: 495

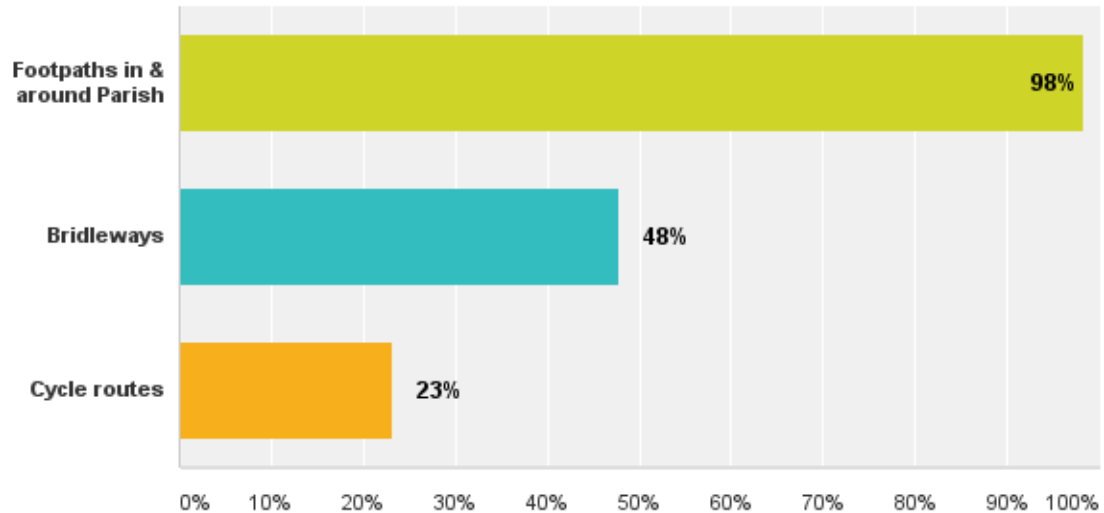


Nearly two thirds of all respondents who drive to work do so by exiting the village along the A6.

Use of the rights of way network

Q40 Do you currently use the following rights of way networks?

Answered: 622 Skipped: 181



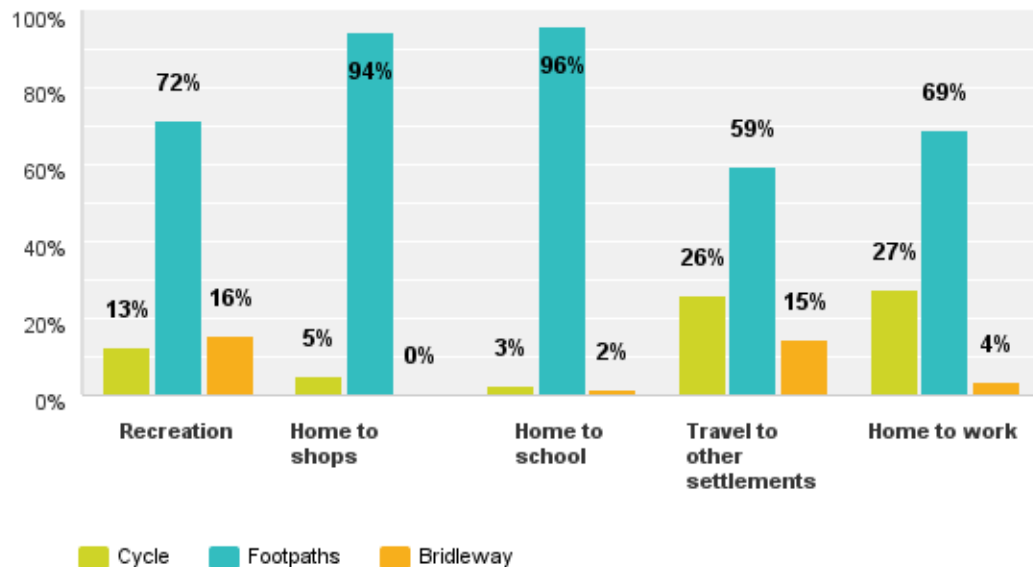
Responses to this question demonstrate the importance of footpaths and bridleways to the residents of Kibworth. It is evident that they help to define the village lifestyle of many residents.

Cycle routes too appear to be of importance to a good number of respondents.

Reasons for the use of the rights of way network

Q41 What is the main purpose of their use to you? (please tick all that apply)

Answered: 647 Skipped: 156



When combining cycle paths, footpaths and bridleways, recreation is the main purpose of use. However, footpaths are used more frequently for journeys to school and shops.

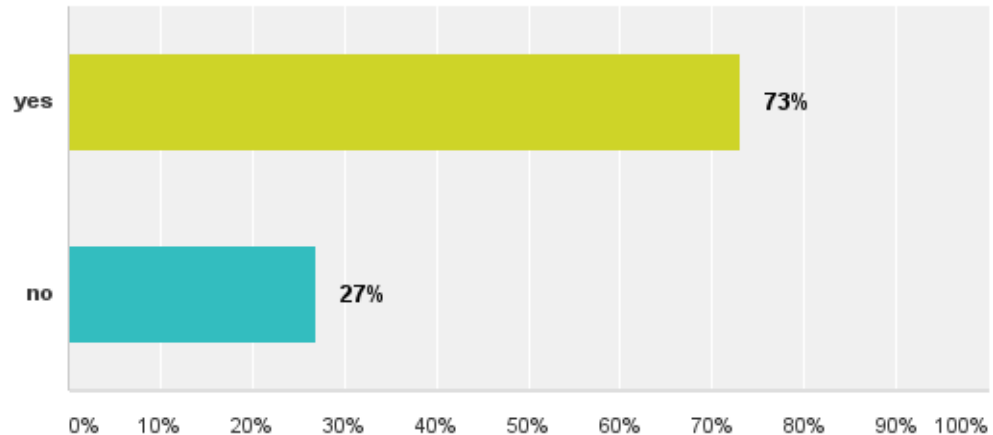
Cycle paths are used most frequently for journeys to work followed by travel to other settlements.

Bridleways are used most frequently for recreation followed by travel to other settlements.

Adequacy of the rights of way network

Q42 Do you feel that the current network is sufficient?

Answered: 648 Skipped: 155



Almost three quarters of 648 respondents felt that the current network is sufficient.

However, Question 43 enabled respondents to suggest improvements:

Cycle Routes

53 people wanted more and improved cycle routes. Specific comments:

Cycle paths as roads re too busy and congested. It is dangerous for adults and children to cycle around village.

A safe cycle track is needed to and on A6 north to link the turn off in the hollow that goes past the Burton Overy turn off (Old A6 road), which itself needs a cycle track until the one at Stretton Hall/near Old Horse is reached this then leads on into Oadby and Leicester cycle ways.

There needs to be a greater support for cycling - more important with regard to any new development - the path from Kibworth to Smeeton.

Cycle lanes throughout the village, especially the A6 and the length of the duel carriageway. Also a footpath along the A6 through Kibworth Harcourt to the Burton Overy turning. I cycle every day and have to use the footpaths in some places (e.g. sharp bend near Raitha's) because the A6 is too dangerous especially where the road narrows at the central islands - cars and lorries squeeze through leaving virtually no room for a cyclist.

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More Dedicated cycle routes particularly onto A6 and along A6 on both directions to Harborough and Oadby.

A cycle/walking path to Wistow as it can be very dangerous on the road with cycles especially with children.

If more houses are to be as built, we need a road to protect any cyclists and house riders by providing additional off road paths.

More off road cycle paths.

The cycle way along A6 to Leicester needs maintenance & cleaning occasionally.

Safe cycle routes desperately needed. I will not ride on our roads! Have to go to Pittsford or Rutland water!!!

I don't feel Kibworth is safe for cycling I love cycling but feel it's too dangerous here.

Better signage.

Better lighting (2 people).

Put more cycle route in and takeaway those pointless speed humps. There is so much traffic in Kibworth; no one can travel above 20 mph, if that. This is before any extra housing.

There needs to be more support for cycling, especially in relation to any new development. Field footpath from Kibworth to Smeeton needs tarmac.

More footpaths/cycle/bridleways to the north of the village. Better cycle ways into/ around the village centre. Better access to the canal.

Pavements and cycle routes should be provided along Fleckney Road and Warwick Rd connecting with Mill Lane. Increased traffic has made these routes dangerous. They would add to the cohesion of the villages.

Getting onto the A6 on a bicycle in the morning can take up to ten minutes so something to alleviate the sheer influx of traffic going both ways at this juncture would be nice. Also, cycling along the A6 on a bike is usually terrifying so a properly implemented, segregated cycle path would be a great help. Or signs going up to remind motorists that cyclists are human beings and require space just like everyone else.

I do not cycle as roads too dangerous. Have no option but to drive to work as no suitable public transport option.

Bridleways and footpaths

41 people wanted more or improved footpaths and bridleways. Specific comments:

There Are no Bridleways from Kibworth Harcourt. The nearest go from Carlton Curlieu or Tur Langton and can only be accessed by risking life and death for a couple of miles (in either direction) of very fast country roads.

The footpath from the railway footbridge in the park (near the primary school) should be lit up.

Fleckney Road and Warwick Road require more footpaths.

More paved areas in village (3 people).

More dedicated footpaths; better maintained with less dog fouling (3 people).

More footpaths to the more remote areas.

We need more footpaths and better lighting.

Pavements should be extended to where Fleckney Road & Warwick Road meet and allow joining up with Mill Lane and the new developments near the A6.

Gates not stiles. More winter suitable paths.

Our walk from Kibworth Harcourt to the primary school is dangerous. The A6 is far too busy with vehicles driving over the speed limit. The lights on the pedestrians crossing take far too long to change. There have been several collisions at the top of Main Street. Some witnessed by children on the way to school it is only a matter of time until there's a fatality. There needs to be traffic crossing on the A6, by Main Street and Marsh Drive. This would help with the walk to school.

A bypass would make it safer to walk round Kibworth especially for young people.

A lack of footpaths and lighting on Wistow Road & Fleckney Road & from the David Wilson estate into the village.

A footpath from Fleckney Road to 'Birds Buildings' (3 people).

Better protection on Mill Lane.

Footpaths around the outer circle of the villages.

Footpaths beyond the cricket club & along Warwick Road.

Extension on the footpath to the primary school. Open spaces with no traffic. Link of Cycle Routes to large routes beyond village, for safety as traffic has increased hugely through village.

There is a poor light on way network towards Wistow especially and Fleckney. Also there are no footpaths from Kibworth Harcourt to The Langtons except 'new road' junction.

There are no mini roundabouts to help cross the A6.

Footpath/safe route along the A6 to Great Glen from Kibworth.

Pavement to be constructed Fleckney road/to garden centre/bowls club.

Fleckney Road & Warwick Road should have footpaths but there is not enough space. No building work should be allowed that would put more traffic on Fleckney Road.

A footpath and cycle path built to link Saddington/Fleckney/Wistow.

Footpaths extending beyond existing one along A6 to burton/Green Glen. Footpaths extending along school fence in Warwick Road- extending across the park to the new estate with lighting to metal bridge over railway.

Footpaths along Fleckney road near the garden Centre along Warwick Road (2 people).

More footpaths Bypass around Kibworth and roundabouts along widening of road through Kibworth Beauchamp.

"Kissing" gates instead of styles for older people.

Footpath from Kibworth to Saddington as it's not on the school bus pick up & it's unsafe for a child to walk.

Improve footpath signage access remove blockages overgrown hedges provide local footpath maps to increase recreational use.

The 'safe route' to school along Hillcrest Avenue is not safe to many parked cars.

If there is development new footpaths will be needed.

Any new developments must include new cycle connections; e.g. Wistow Road alongside railway to Warwick Road Bridge, then from bridge direct to Gladstone Street. Similar links needed in any other new developments. HDC to be pro-active in ensuring LCC Local Transport Plan 3 policies are implemented for cycling facilities.

Paths along Fleckney Road & Warwick Road. Gates replacing stiles. Better footpath management to stop dog mess & thick mud, from over use, at congestion points.

More footpaths in the countryside to create circular routes.

An integrated road, cycle, footpath and bridleway plan.

More footpaths to local villages.

Footpath along Warwick road Footpath along Fleckney Road to football club. A cycle path along A6 from Oadby to Market Harborough.

A footpath from School Road car park to Co-op. A footpath along the whole route of the railway line.

Pathways out of village centre where no existing pavement and new pathways linking any new development to village centre and any new community facilities. Pathways should be for pedestrians *and* cyclists.

A footpath from cricket club to football club/nursery.

I do feel bad lighting and steps prevent people using tin bridge. A footpath alongside the railway to link with the other footbridge would be great as would prevent footfall on main road (2 people).

Footpaths to and along canal. Footpaths out of the village.

Several people used this question to broaden their definition of The Network and comment more widely on transport issues

10 people stated that a bypass is urgent.

A bypass, however I would not support this if it leads to massive over development of a rival community.

Does East Midlands connect have any bearing on the Roads issue?

7 people said that a railway station is needed.

Why have trains go through, but no station? If there were a station perhaps more people would use trains instead of their cars, thereby helping to keep traffic congestion down. Also, install lights at junctions at church road A6 and new road A6.

No more houses. So no more cars.

Bus routes are fine but timetable finishes very early in the evenings meaning cars here to be used for travel to/from Leicester or Kibworth Harcourt at night (3 people).

Re-routing traffic away from the centre of Kibworth. Possible one-way system.

20 mph limits through centre of Kibworth Beauchamp along Fleckney Road and between Coach & Horses and island in centre - roads very narrow for cyclists and traffic. Volume of traffic - especially buses through the countryside.

The cars are winning. Some control needed in Harcourt from Main Street On To A6 and where marsh drive meets A6. Bypass urgently needed and soon.

Roads within the village are very congested in my opinion often dangerous; there should be better facilities for cyclists needs to be double yellow lines or daytime parking restrictions at Hillcrest Avenue as the current situation is dangerous on the school run.

The A6 is now a motorway at all times of the week. Getting onto the A6 from The Langtons can be a nightmare! Are we waiting for a major accident to happen before anything is done? Traffic from the Langtons onto the A6 drive far too fast at 20mph limit should be enforced.

Buses that stop at hospitals. More bus stops location.

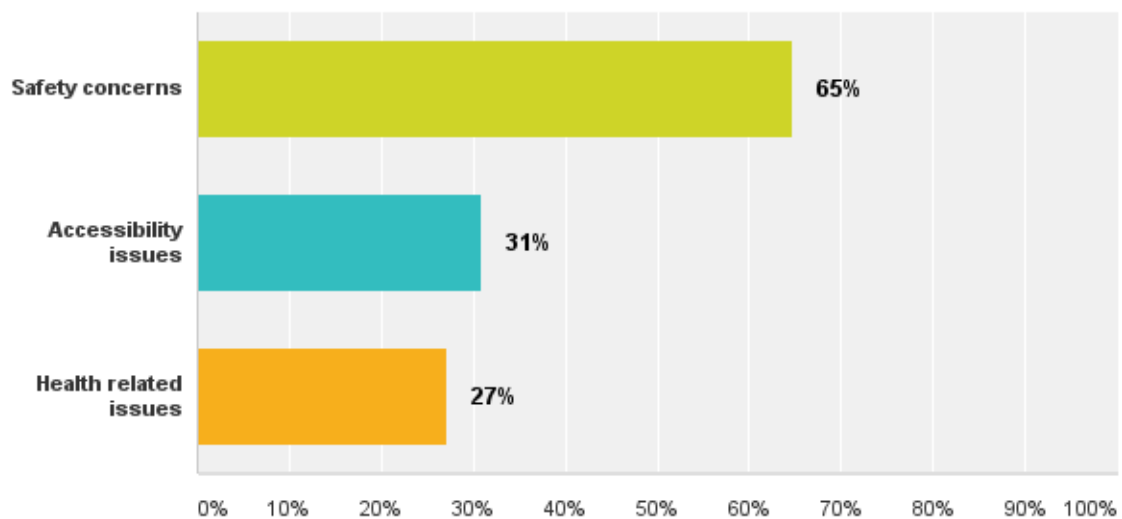
Better management of traffic access onto the A6 at peak times is very slow. No right turn onto A6 from Church Rd.

I think roundabouts at both junctions on the A6 might be helpful, or even traffic lights that can be used at busy times of the day.

Obstacles to use of the rights of way network

Q44 What prevents you from using these networks? (please tick all that apply)

Answered: 207 Skipped: 596



This question was skipped by approximately two thirds of respondents, indicating perhaps that they are not prevented from using the network by any of these reasons.

Of these three options Health issues cannot be readily addressed by the community but, by addressing safety and accessibility, increased use appears, from these answers, to be possible.

5 people commented that they don't use the network because of time

2 said they have a car and that is easier

We want footpaths & bridleway safety. We do not cycle anywhere as it is dangerous.

I use them in spite of this!

I can only use areas suitable for my walker.

Prefer off road cycling.

Cycling worries me, because of the number/speed of cars.

High volume of traffic.

Safety concerns...the alley ways.

I would consider cycling to Market Harborough for work should there be suitable infrastructure.

More cycle routes would improve road safety.

Work too far away for any of them!

Cycling safety - I use motorcycle.

Safety concerns over stiles.

Walking along the main road is terrifying. Traffic goes too fast.

I still cycle to work but I dread the prospect every morning.

Knowing where cycle ways and bridleways are.

Cycling too dangerous, and even if you use a designated cycleway there are hazardous roads to negotiate before you get to the cycleway, and at the other end of the journey also (2 people).

At night - poor lighting.

I don't want to.

I carry a lot of equipment, which means a car is essential.

At night, safety concerns from lack of lighting. I know steps on tin bridge can be a concern, (it is a nightmare in the winter!!).

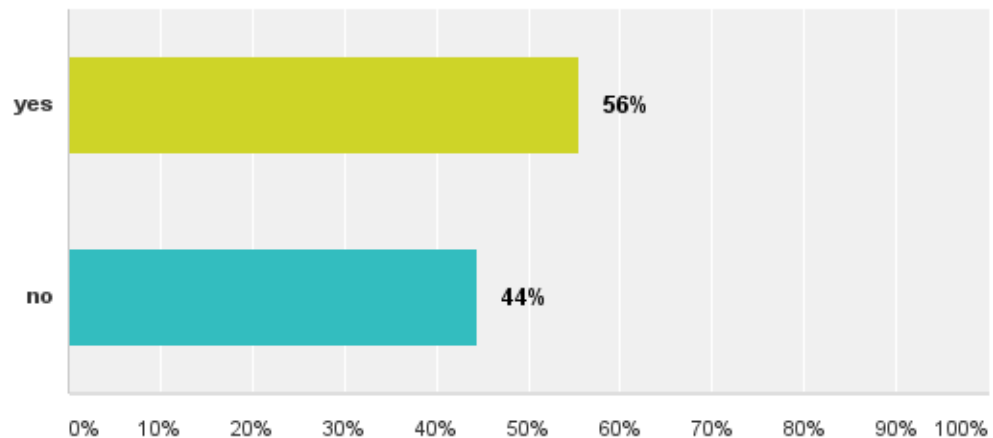
I don't happen to keep a horse (2 people).

Public Transport

Use of the bus service

Q45 Do you use the bus service to and from Kibworth?

Answered: 738 Skipped: 65

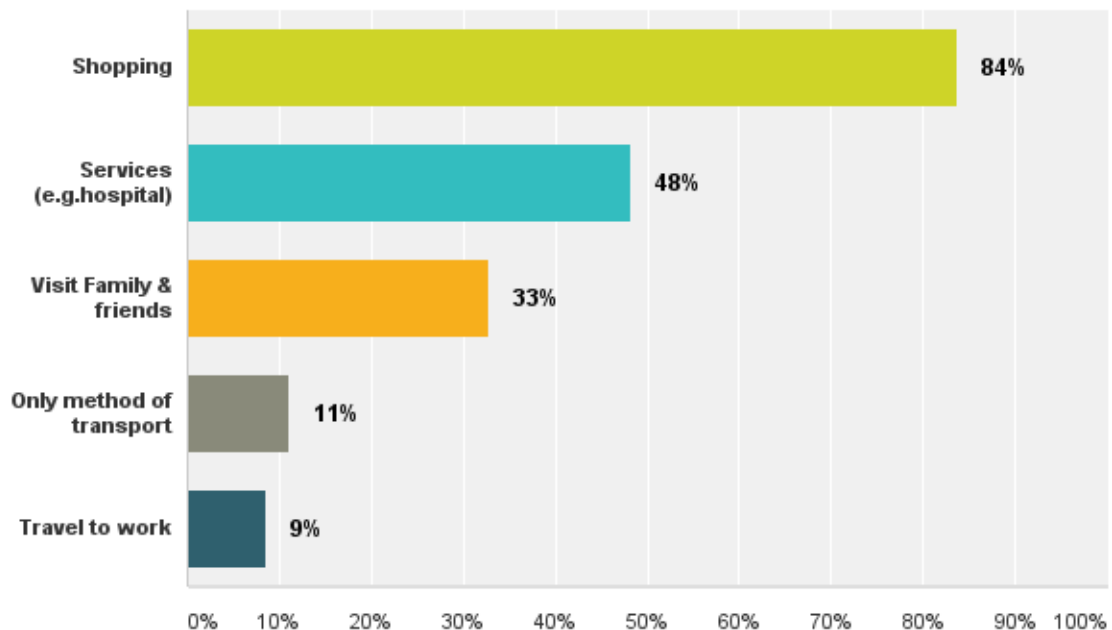


In contrast to many other rural and semi-rural areas, more than half of respondents indicated that they use the bus service. This, in part, possibly reflects the older demographic of respondents to this questionnaire but also demonstrates the relevance of the bus service to the community.

Reasons for use of the bus service

Q46 If 'yes' for what purpose do you use the buses? (please tick all that apply)

Answered: 406 Skipped: 397



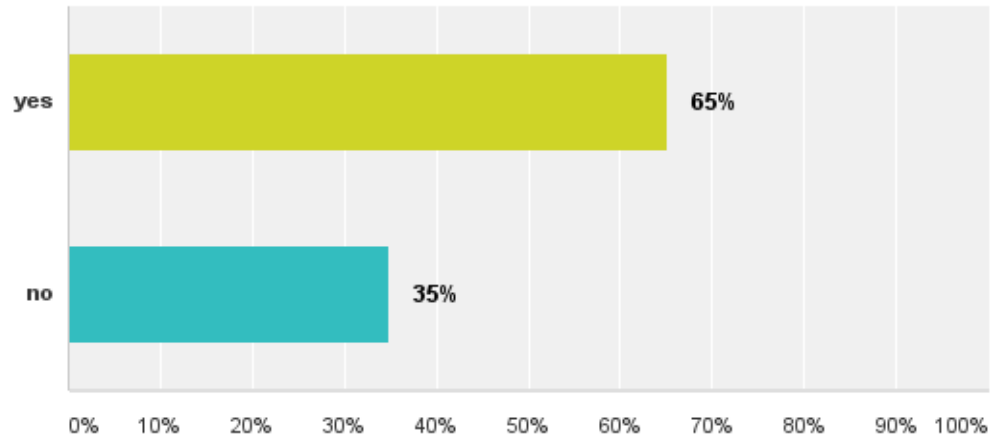
There were 406 responses to this question. Easily the most popular reason for bus journeys is travel for shopping outside the parish. Almost half of those respondents using the bus travel to services outside the parish (e.g. hospital).

11% stated that the bus is my main/only method of transport. 9% use the bus to visit family and friends.

Adequacy of the bus service

Q47 Do you think the current bus services are adequate for your needs?

Answered: 563 Skipped: 240

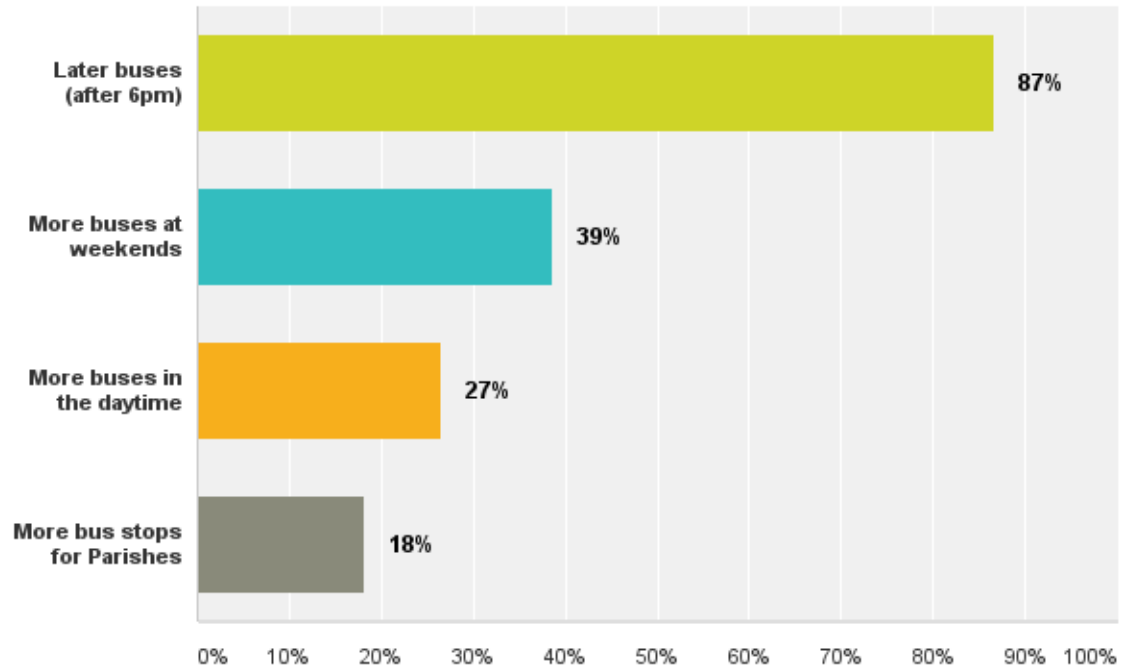


Almost two thirds of respondents felt that the bus service is adequate for their needs. (One thing to note is that this question has been answered by 563 people, over 150 more than say they use the bus service).

Possible improvements to the bus service

Q48 If 'no' what improvements would you like to see? (please tick all that apply)

Answered: 248 Skipped: 555



It is clear from these responses that more evening buses would be welcome. Less important but still scoring quite highly are more buses at the weekend.

The majority appear to feel that there are sufficient buses in the daytime and that there are sufficient bus stops in and around the Parishes.

Additional comments:

Revised route recently introduced for the X3 is unacceptable.

Better Interlinking of services (2 people).

Buses are a more cost effective alternative to driving.

Reroute x7 up Church Rd on hall service.

X3 and X7 could come into village centre off A6 then up Fleckney Rd. over tin bridge and have stop on new estate; back up A6.

If the X7 and X3 timetable were revised so one was on the hour & half hour and the other on the quarter and three quarters this would be helpful for Leicester & market Harborough travel.

Reinstate X3 stops on A6 and outside the fire station.

Ban the X3, it holds up traffic.

Buses that adhere to timetables.

We need a bus SERVICE not how it is now with the X3 and X7 following each other.

Earlier buses for commuters (2 people).

Buses to meet the times of the trains to London.

A late bus returning to Kibworth from Leicester to allow cinema visits in the evenings. There used to be one and it was well used especially by young people.

The bus has been full and I have been turned away on my way to work.

There is no bus to my workplace.

Better ticket prices (2 people).

A greater emphasis on punctuality. And cheaper bus fares. It costs the same amount of money to get the X3 to Leicester as it does to Market Harborough despite the vast differences in journey times.
More reliable, cleaner buses with better more professional and well-mannered drivers.

Better timetabling so that rival companies' buses are spread around the hour, not arriving together!

I would eat out in Harborough Leicester more often if I didn't have the faff of having to drive home and thus not be able to enjoy a glass or two of wine. Similarly folk from Leicester and Harborough might like to come to pubs/restaurants in Kibworth but are put off by someone having to drive, and expensive cab fares.

A night bus from Leicester and/or Market Harborough to improve the use of public transport vs. taxis. It will also improve drink-driving statistics, as people won't put themselves and others at risk.

Question 49 asked respondents to make any additional points that the questionnaire didn't cover. There were over 300 responses, which have been summarized below, followed by the comments in full, which have been categorized to help take in such a wealth of valuable information.

Summary

The comments of respondents reveal a healthy diversity of views. For example, the wish of some to retain a clear and separate identity between Kibworth Beauchamp and Kibworth Harcourt and the desire of others to strengthen the voice of the community by having a single shared Kibworth identity. This summary represents an attempt to identify and highlight the prevalent views expressed.

A strong theme is the concern and sadness expressed about the perceived inevitability of **further development** taking place in Kibworth. Having had the recent experience of the new Kibworth Meadow development, respondents have noted the increase in traffic and pressure on infrastructure that this has generated. There is a view that further development will make this problem progressively worse.

The **volume of traffic** now entering and leaving the village, especially at times of going to and leaving work and the school runs is a real source of worry. People are concerned about **parking** issues, blocked roads and difficulty getting safely out of the village and onto the A6. They are also concerned about the danger to **pedestrians**, especially the children and young people traveling to and from school. Also of concern are the deterioration of **road surfaces** and **air pollution** caused by traffic volume.

A traffic solution for many respondents is a **bypass**. Several feel that they have been promised this for some time, whilst others are concerned that this will only signal the opportunity to develop further along its route. However, there is a strong sense that traffic should not drive through the village, as it currently has to do.

There are several comments offering **specific** and detailed **solutions** to the traffic issues.

Some felt that reopening the **railway station** is at least a partial solution to the traffic issues.

This concern over traffic is extended to infrastructure and amenities generally. Most notable among these is the worry over the capacity of schools to cope with the current school age population - and any further increase. For example, there is a perception amongst residents that the capacity of local schools is reaching its limit, potentially adding to traffic by the need to drive them to other schools.

Shops too are a concern. Many respondents acknowledged that they tend not to shop in the village, but part of the reason for this is the **lack of choice and adequate parking**.

The availability of primary health care is also a serious issue for respondents who are experiencing problems **getting appointments with their GP**. They fear that this could become even more difficult if the population of the Kibworths rises.

There are also concerns over issues such as the level of **community policing**, the adequacy of **street lighting**, the future of the **fire station** and **the library, play areas for children and services for the elderly**.

Concern was also expressed about issues such as flood risk presented by the run off from additional hard surfaces created by new developments, sewerage and electricity supply.

A very strong theme is the importance of creating adequate **infrastructure** to address and overcome each of these issues **before any new housing is built**.

Many respondents, even those who have lived in Kibworth for just a few years, remarked on the **changing nature of the village**, a diminishing sense of community and a view that it is becoming a town.

A feature that defines the 'village feel' for many respondents are the **green spaces** in and around the villages. People showed that they are very keen to preserve the natural environment generally and specific areas (such as the fields separating Kibworth and Smeeton) were identified.

The type of **new housing** was not mentioned by many, but **meeting diverse needs** was - especially affordable housing for young people and housing suitable for elderly people.

There was a clear message too that, through the **Neighbourhood Plan**, the community must stand firm and define its own positive future.

New Development

There was a strong sense that new development is not wanted and much worry about the impact on the feel of the village and its ability to cope with the volume of people and traffic.

We are hoping that the KNP will create "joined up" thinking. I.e. that houses are built with the infrastructure in place - roads, schools, community facilities, shops etc.

Small development for smaller outlying villages i.e. 10 - 15 houses each to ease the pressure on Kibworth.

Affordable housing for young adults who have grown up in Kibworth.

I think I ought to just commend you and wish the parish council the best of luck. It is imperative that we always bear in mind the needs of the most vulnerable people of the village in any development plans. It is also essential that any new homes built should be priced in a way that will ensure a broad range of incomes feel that the semi rural life Kibworth offers is available to them. For Gods sake don't forget social housing.

The fear is we have a council that doesn't have the desire or power at Harborough to take on developers. Should we consider or do we have legal recourse we should be considering. The developers need an opportunity and Kibworth is an easy target.

Keep Kibworth Rural. No new housing please.

A new small village separated from Kibworth with all facilities (schools etc.). Kibworth is full...!!

The present heart of the village shops car parking library community halls & traffic is already overwhelmed. Any substantial development should be to **develop a separate community** with its own facilities and space for further development.

I feel like in the district other settlements are not receiving their share pro nat. Kibworth has grown to the point that the infrastructure can't cope with the growth. What about the airfield site? Is this going to happen? If so it will absorb a huge amount of the required housing surely?

Access to the A6 at New Road should be a priority before any more houses are built

Kibworth is already a very large village and the new housing estate, which has taken several years to sell & buy, has impacted the village in terms of congestion, access to facilities etc. Therefore additional housing is not the answer!!!!

Why has Great Glen for less housing than Kibworth but has already got a bypass? The Kibworths, Harcourt and Beauchamp have max housing for the village amenities. We have more than our fair share with access to the A6 and volume of traffic very difficult a bypass will not solve the problem as the increase of houses would make it a town with no facilities.

Housing needs to be on eastern side of A6. This would allow natural drainage to sewage plant, under A6, preventing over loading sewer on Fleckney Road. Access to A6 could be spread over several junctions. Fleckney traffic at peak times away from Wistow Road island. Distance from A6 to centre of village is less than Fleckney Road site to centre of village. Even without a bypass this is the most logical site.

We do not need any more houses in Kibworth, especially social housing, this attracts undesirables to the area and crime increases.

New developments should not be mixed; new build sites should consist of property that mixes well with surrounding property, e.g. price, size and social mix. Affordable housing should be separated from mid to high priced property. We are ideally placed to accommodate small developments scattered around Kibworth, rather than built close to existing property. These points should be part of your questionnaire.

We feel the influx of more inhabitants of social housing has resulted in an increase in crime in the local area - this needs to be addressed regardless of any change to the size of the village.

Section 8: Bypass - You ask a very restrictive question I would guess few people want 3,000 extra homes, but how many houses are being proposed in the various proposals? Don't they count? I am on record (online + planning office) As saying I do not believe **the roads existing now are remotely capable to cope with the extra traffic likely with new developments** - heaven help us if the Warwick Road plan goes ahead.

No more development should be considered unless road improvement is made, Fleckney Road in particular is very poor; more housing using this road in its present state would be foolish at the least.

Major traffic problems and high volumes of traffic through the village since the housing development via Wistow Road. Can we seriously sustain further development in Kibworth? Parking on the main road through Kibworth has reduced the road to a single lane and poor visibility for pedestrians crossing. It is only a matter of time before a serious accident happens. HDC should consider a separate

I think KNPG need to ensure they take a balanced approach to the issue. It is very unhelpful and dangerous to go down a no, no, no route. I recently moved back after 20 years (I as brought up around Kibworth) and the new houses have brought a new vitality to the village which without them local business's would have died. Look around at the local smaller villages, Loxton, Laughton, Gumley, Mowsley and even Lubenham they have all slowly lost their amenities because there has been no 'new and young' people move into those villages. I agree the planning needs to be proportionate but that is the key. **Lets protect our Village by investing in it**, not by trying to keep it the same.

Careful thought about future housing is essential alongside the village road system. Can this system as it stands cope with more traffic - NO!! This has to be considered to avoid gridlock. Should Kibworth be further developed to become a town for Leicester and Market Harborough? NO!! Please No!!

It is important that we in Kibworth bear in mind that we live in a country where many more homes are needed and that we need to be prepared to play our part in helping them to be built/ the first question on P8 asks about the NEEDS of the village rehousing. It does not NEED any more but we need to accept that it must GET some more - the question is, how many & where?

Please push for smaller pieces of housing development other than large developments, which cause increased pollution, congestion and ruin the lovely green areas and views we all moved here for.

The character of the village would be completely destroyed by building more large housing developments. Kibworth has already had more than it's fair share. New housing developments should not be used to justify additional services/ facilities such as the proposed A6 by pass. I understand the need for additional housing in the area but this should be located in a new village rather than substantially changing an existing village.

The proposals for growth/development in the village + surroundings is too aggressive and is unsustainable and will ruin the core characteristics of the village if taken forward. There has been significant expansion over the years - this should be allowed to consolidate and the surrounding green areas retained without further harm.

Development of 3 areas on map 3 would surely require making the railway bridge capable of taking two-way traffic. A need to for path for pedestrians. Transport issue e.g. pass are usual being tackled from the perspective of building more road will solve the traffic problems. It is time there has a country/city

policy of getting people to use public transport (congestion charges if necessary). This would be beneficial to the environment. Perhaps if 1200 - 1300 houses are built, the return of Kibworth station and rail access might be possible. On page 6 I agreed that HDC should keep to the core plan and shall infill but this is my desire not what I think will happen. Kibworth is likely to expand into a small commuter town serving Leicester, Mkt Harborough, London. The rural village will remain through the expansion of places like Kibworth. New housing needs to make it possible for young people born in Kibworth to stay here.

Having lived here for many years, it is a shame that our teenage/twenties children are unlikely to be able to afford houses in the village! Social housing is one thing - what about our own local children!

Housing lived in the villages of Kibworth Beauchamp and Kibworth Harcourt for nearly 70 years. I feel that the planning authority had already totally disregarded and let down the residents of the villages. It is time to call at halt to this situation. Increased residential areas have no character of the villages.

Infill development and/or development around the current village centre is inappropriate. If development of the village is to happen then the most appropriate place to this to occur is to the east of the village with easy access to the A6. A new school will be required (primary & secondary) if there is to be development and local amenities out of the village centre will also be required. The village is already overcrowded and traffic is a nightmare at all times of the day, 7 days a week.

Definitely traffic lights @ coach & horses, to and from the A6 and also new road junction, these junctions are highly dangerous and have been for many many years. As stated as a (once contented) resident I am deeply saddened, by the plans to develop our beautiful Kibworths, set in such glorious countryside/indeed, our reason for moving there more than 20 years ago. Loved the fact that we were literally, surrounded by green belt land & within a minute or two, in the open countryside, now all is to change for the worst. Particularly, the village amenities are feeling the strain of the already extended population, not to mention the roads. Traffic situation, access in and out of the villages, the schools, the shops, the list is endless, what about the drains? Next we will be flooded out, green belt acts as a natural sponge soaking up excess water-which we have plenty to come! All I can see is disaster! The villages will lose their identity & will end up as a new suburb of Leicester joining up to Great Glen, OADB & the other way to MKT Harbor. GOD FORBID! A lot of greedy people & H.D.C have a lot to answer for! Build a new town below Melton (on old aerodrome) So much, for forward planning! Kibworth should have been bypassed! When Great Glen was & we would be in such a mess now! Accept, more housing maybe needed, but every effort should be made over -stretched existing, villages. More effort should be made to find suitable large sites away from existing small communities & allow those communities to keep their identity. P.S - If a by-pass had been put in a place few years ago & some of the land now offered as development sites (should have been used for a by-pass!) Therefore this land would now not be available for more development. A by pass should have been more important than more housing in an already over-stretched village (soon to become a town!) DISGUSTED.

KBI/MEADOWS - Too much dense development on this side of Kibworth Harcourt and spoilt the area visually and physically - Much more thought should go in to parking and road width in new developments. Cars are parked on pavement/verges making areas both unattractive and dangerous.

I feel very strongly that there should be no further housing developments in either of the Kibworth areas or they will definitely lose the village/community feel and the present health/school/road facilities will

be unable to cope. More than enough new houses have been built in the area since we came to live in Kibworth 16 years ago. Enough is enough. Please listen to the people that already live here and would like to continue to live here.

Affordable housing priority for local first time buyers. More local authority affordable rented accommodation.

Need to balance necessary development around villages. Do not develop outside limits to development.

Feel the village is already overwhelmed with traffic and to build even more houses would make this worse- far better to start a fresh with **a new village with its own infrastructure**.

I think we should be looking at **innovative ways to provide housing for older people**, so that they can stay in the village. In France they have developed shared houses where families + elderly people live; ensuring older people are part of the community. The services of a carer within the family and paid for by the direct payment from social services. Also if building takes place the affordable housing should be made available to young people who live in or have connection to the village to purchase rather than social housing landlords. There should be some plots available for self build housing

Our Village Community

Comments in this section are dominated by a sense of foreboding and loss for the village feel which the Kibworths had and is perceived by some to be losing.

I came to the village 48 years ago and would like it to **stay a village** and not become a town.

You have missed out 'Community Spirit', but then again we lost a good amount of it years ago. If someone does re-discover it amongst the stark red bricks of the new housing, please let everyone know. Thank you.

We need to keep Kibworth Harcourt as it is; the size is too big for a village as it is. Keep it special with a minimum level of crime, traffic and public services abused if a proposed new housing scheme goes ahead. The only ones benefiting are the builders and landowners, may I remind the planners that those selling the land do not live in our village why do they care-we do!!

We are totally opposed to both a major bypass and relief road. We only want the minimum number of housing as required by the H.D.C and most of all the A6 should be made to make access better for village traffic. We have lived in the Harcourt for more than 10 years and do not want it to become any large than necessary.

I believe that the village would be better if Harcourt and Beauchamp were consolidated into one unit. And would be stronger as one voice.

There needs to be better links between Kibworth Beauchamp and Kibworth Harcourt. As can be seen from the proposed development plans these cannot be decided separately. I see no reason for two parish councils.

Kibworth has a lovely village feel and I think it is important that this is maintained whilst appreciating that there is a need for some development.

The break between Smeeton Westerby and Kibworth Beauchamp is essential to both villages and should be protected at all costs.

Kibworth is a village, keep it that way, keep the village values and its community spirit, it's beginning to go already with all the new builds and they have not finished yet.

We are a village and only just yet we have poor facilities. The village cannot handle the current volumes with the developments built. Any further developments would loose our status as a village.

This is a lovely village, but I feel the new large development David Wilson has detracted from the village - not only the look as you approach the village but the trouble attracted by the social housing within it, I would not want to see this issue get any worse by building more such developments - or extending this one, let's keep the village feel.

Any new developments and housing needs to take into consideration the fact that the village has limited facilities to cope with a huge increase in capacity. We live in Kibworth because we like to live in a VILLAGE.

We need to keep a village sense of community, which is getting lost, in all this new development. We are a village still; we don't want to become a town.

I think that consideration should be given to the protection of Kibworth from the developers. We are browbeaten by the insistent call that we should accept our 'quota' of necessary housing without regard to the detrimental effect this would have on the fabric and character of Kibworth. Kibworth is a lovely village, as documented by Michael's Wood's History of England programme but it will be destroyed by the scale of proposed creeping development. Residents who object will be accused of nimbyism. We are made to feel that we are protectionist and selfish and care only about the value of our own properties but if Kibworth is turned into a dormitory town surrounded by a traffic jam, no one will win except the developers who will be long gone.

Kibworth has changed considerably since I have lived here. Unfortunately it's not the village it once was, further development is likely to see the further decline of 'village life' and the sense of community I used to feel living here.

The Kibworths are and should remain villages with minimal development, extensive housing needs should be addressed by building a new village/town i.e. as previously proposed on previously owned Co-op land or similar site well away from existing functioning villages.

Having been here over 60 years ago our village is losing its identity and community spirit. I'm glad I saw some of the best of it. Unfortunately I'm going to see the worst also!!

I believe that Kibworth is on the verge of losing its village character and close-knit community if it gets much bigger. I come from Blaby and have seen it lose its heart and soul through rapid and thoughtless expansion over the past couple of decades. I don't think it's fair that land owners/property developers should be allowed to cash in at the expense of what most of us who live in the area hold dear. I'm not

saying that no one should build a house in the area, but I do think the boundaries need to be preserved for the sake of existing residents.

As a village, Kibworth is large enough. The new housing estate has provided more than enough new houses for the local people. The road are very congested but if a by pass is built more housing will follow. We need open space not more land covered in TARMAC

I live in the new housing development on Wistow Rd/Warwick Road and appreciate that it was allowed to go ahead. However we are already encountering difficulties with access into the A6 without any more developments in our area. We love living here but do not want to see the villages of Harcourt and Beauchamp growing into a small town, which would destroy the atmosphere and character we have found here. I know that the need for extra housing is an important fact, but the continual spread of villages does not need to happen when there are to many brown field sites are sitting idle & empty or being turned into get more "retail opportunities".

Kibworth seems to be losing its identity as a village, can the infrastructure cope with the added housing, roads, shops, parking, doctors etc., etc. Or are we just heading to become a small, non descript town.

I think it is very sad that Kibworth has to expand, in anyway, the reason why we moved here was because it was relatively small village at the rate its going to be a large town that will be spoilt. The new houses that get built these days are made cheaply but cost you a small fortune to buy. Houses are not built like they used to. Three story houses are for cities not villages. Why not Smeeton or Saddington or Church Langton or other villages why Kibworth?

A well thought out comprehensive questionnaire Just a couple of point and observations: The questionnaire refers to "village" "villages" on numerous occasions by definition **"village" is a settlement larger than a hamlet, but smaller than a town.** Any increased housing would have such a negative impact as to destroy the "village" and the unique identity of Beauchamp and Harcourt. Our roads can hardly cope now common sense suggests leave well alone. Developers are motivated by sheer greed and have no understanding of the implications of moving us from an essentially rural environment to increasingly urban. This does matter to the residents of the Kibworths. And finally it is a myth to suggest that there is a housing shortage in the UK unoccupied properties should be exploited to this end. Thank you.

Kibworth has been a village for centuries and even recent developments have adversely affected the character.

Whatever is decided, planning applications etc. For Kibworth, please consider the effect that this will have for **future generations** of the Kibworths + surrounding areas will become just another urban sprawl + will be utterly destroyed. We have a beautiful village, which we residents are proud of. PLEASE DON'T RUIN THIS LITTLE GEM

Having live in Kibworth Beauchamp for 46 years there has been far too many housing estates built, changing a once attractive village into a giant housing estate, totally lost its character. The close in which I live, looks run down. House owners don't seem to take pride in the kerb appeal. I can't wait to move from here. Any protests against new builds are a waste of time. Properly builders always get building permission regardless of what villagers say.

The infrastructure of the village is already compromised with the influx created by the Warwick Road development. More houses mean more people and vehicles. The introduction of more houses etc. will **turn a rural large village into a town.**

Consideration should be given to the impact not only on our community but on our shared "environment". The government is backtracking on levels of sustainable development, without the correct checks and balances at the planning stage the profit driven developer will build accordingly. Therefore sustainability benchmarks should be included within our Neighbourhood Plan.

I disagree with building on green land and adding more houses to our villages. Leave Fleckney, Kibworth and all other villages alone. Build on disused land or around Leicester town. Leave our beautiful British countryside alone. Remove all "speed bumps" as they ruin our roads and are distracting when driving along our busy roads.

The Kibworths cannot cope with any more development. Current infrastructure-schools, doctors, surgeries, streets, access in and out of the village -totally inadequate to cope with influx from development. Kibworth is a village not a commercial town more development will ruin the village's character and surrounding countryside. No more development needed for local people.

I began to fill out page 8 realizing that there was very little point. It's clear that Kibworth is going to expand hugely no matter what. All this land was bought probably a very long time ago - precisely for house building. As we all know, the builders do pretty much what they want so all this will happen regardless. I moved to Kibworth 9 years ago from an area outside Bristol where the building development situation was very similar to the one, which Kibworth is currently experiencing. When I moved to Kibworth I was aware that 600 houses were to be built in the village. At a meeting I raised the question with the builders how the school would cope and also all the extra cars and traffic! Well that was 600 houses. If Kibworth goes ahead with all this building (and it surely will) this problem will be unimaginable. Kibworth will be pretty horrible and not the really lovely place that it is now. Kibworth will (in line) become a suburb of Leicester, as Great Glen is almost now. The big clue of course is MacDonald's (on A6) who wouldn't dream of putting up an outlet unless there was big potential in the future!

What a shame that this lovely historic village of Kibworth could be blighted by a disproportionate number of new houses. Please think about the consequences

Kibworth as a whole is a beautiful place to live/work and is being ruined by Avaricious house builders under the banner of providing "much needed housing" (delete and insert profits) Hugely aided by a weak Harborough District Council who for reasons best known to themselves aid the destruction of the character of our village.

Kibworth is at capacity. Schools are overloaded roads are overloaded and the village that was, is quickly losing all its character. We were described by Michael Woods as a typical English village but the scale of new development is destroying that. If we must have new housing it must be located either adjacent to the new estates away from the existing village. We have some fantastic buildings and history in this village and to enclose it all in new development will completely destroy the village and force occupants who have lived here for generations out.

If any additional housing is to be built in the area it should be noted that: a) Over the past 10 years the village has reached **complete saturation point**. The schools are overflowing, medical centres at breaking point, roads more often than not impossible on certain roads and access onto the A6 dangerous. b) The only sensible places for additional building are off Wistow Road to the east of the A6 towards Langtons. These are the only two sites that have any real access and whose development would have the least disruptions on our already highly strained village infrastructure. The quality of life for the village residents would be barred by any other development.

The village needs to remain a village and **safety of the residents** is very important.

Consideration must be given to school places & youth clubs if more families are being attracted to Kibworth. Having said that if Kibworth grows too big it will lose the feel of a village & that's why we moved here! Also will be at risk if we lose the fire station!

There has been a massive increase in houses built in Kibworth. Resources and the character of Kibworth are threatened. Why does it have to be accepted that large?

OBJECTION TO THE NEW PLANNING APPLICATION AND OBJECTION TO THE DESTRUCTION OF A CHILDRENS PLAY AREA Reference 15/01153/OUT - Applicant: - Manor Oak Homes For the attention of Mrs Nicola Parry/ Adrian Eastwood: - Harborough District Council, Symington Building, Adam and Eve Street, Market Harborough, Le16 7ag 17th August 2015 We have lived at one Melbourne Close, Kibworth Beauchamp, LE8 OJP for 29 years. At the end of the Cul de Sac there is a "village green area" which constitutes a play area for children and the proposed plans would see this valuable asset destroyed. My children and now my grandchildren and their friends have played, explored and built dens over the years in this Children's Play Area. Many other children living adjacent to the area have also had the benefit of this valuable link with nature and have, since these houses were built been able to play in a safe environment. Over the years children have roamed and played in nearby fields and hedgerows, which are now under threat, and it would be unacceptable to remove this from children, now or in the future. Our wider objection to any additional building in Kibworth Beauchamp is: - Destruction of the Green Belt and Building in the countryside Loss of Privacy Overbearing impact from development Traffic, Parking Problems and pollution Noise and Disturbance Loss of Daylight and Sunlight Destruction of Long Distance Views Doctors, Schools and Village Facilities overwhelmed with an enlarged population Additional traffic on the village roads is the main threat to children and will increase the dangers, **More people will make the Village less of a Community** and more impersonal Yours faithfully, Mr W. Anderson and Mrs J. Anderson One Melbourne Close Kibworth Beauchamp, LE8 OJP

We need to plan for peak oil. Would love Kibworth to become a transition town. Plant Fruit and Nut trees. Local currency to encourage local spending more small independent shops/ businesses keeping money in community (see Totnes Pond)

The "village" character that so many residents of the Kibworths who have lived here for 10+ years is being swamped with unattractive new builds.

Develop existing health centre site

Kibworth has traditionally been a cluster of three villages with contrasting characteristics. It is significant that the separate village names and even the collective term "the Kibworths" are now being overtaken by the use of "Kibworth" - in other words, as it grows, Kibworth is increasingly being brought of as a

single place. With more development inevitable Kibworth will, in the not-too-distant future, become a small town. But if an A6 bypass is not essential part of future plans, it will be a town sliced in two by a constant river of traffic. This, I think, will be prejudicial in all sorts of ways to its chances of striving as a community. Therefore, in my view, a bypass shall be high on the agenda of my development plan.

For new the key things which made Kibworth such a healthy place to live in is that it is possible to: * drop in on friends easily by foot - creates community - people stop and chat with neighbors as they walk. **Everyone is within two or three minutes of the countryside ***Shops and amenities are central, so again, you are constantly meeting neighbors when you visit them **** a lot of the entertainment is "home-made" - again creates community, singing, acting: people being active and working/playing together. If Kibworth grows to point where this is no longer possible think we will lose the reason people want to live here. Better to develop smaller communities to be more like Kibworth?

A Bypass

A Kibworth Bypass is mentioned by many and is felt to be both the only way to alleviate the levels of traffic in the villages. It is also seen as a possible prelude to further development alongside it.

Kibworth desperately needs a bypass off the A6

I consider that no housing should be built until a by pass has been constructed because of pollution levels and traffic difficulties.

Between Leicester & Northampton Kibworth Harcourt is the only village split by constant traffic on the A6. A Government funded by-pass is a major issue to the welfare of both Kibworths.

Traffic traveling on the A6 to Leicester, to Market Harborough is increasing each year. More Building near A6 will make it difficult to cross the road and cause holdups on the road at peak times especially we need more alterations or a By-pass.

A bypass or relief road is most essential.

Reduce level of on street parking enforce current level of control continue the effort to get the bypass we were promised without any additional housing.

Due to difficulty now to join the A6 from both sides of the village - it is vital before any more construction is approved that Kibworth is bypassed to face traffic travelling north & south.

In the last 40-50 years Kibworth has doubled in size. New housing proposed will double it again but the road network is inadequate now. See Fleckney Rd, New Rd, Church Rd, A6. A new town so close to Leicester and Market Harborough? And no bypass!!

We need a bypass above all else.

Number 1 is bypass 2. Good access roads to avoid rat runs 3. Admit that Kibworth now a town and has lost village status.

Kibworth really needs a bypass.

In view of the congestion in the villages especially at peak times, which brings with it a high level of pollution I considered it essential a bypass is built before any new houses are built.

Whilst I would prefer not to see a bypass; I feel that the access in and out of the villages of Kibworth needs to be addressed otherwise, if or when we get more houses, the extra traffic from there, with most households having two cars, will bring the village to a stand still particularly during peak times.

The by-pass should be pushed to halt through traffic on Kibworth.

It is disappointing that there appears to be no mention within the questionnaire of the specific plan period in respect of the KNP, and that the expression 'Core Plan' is used in Section 6 without explanation. I had understood that the NP represents an opportunity for the public to express its view free of edicts from elsewhere and yet the questionnaire assumes that housing development within Kibworth is a 'given' and also puts a strange and unacceptable slant on the question of a Kibworth bypass. Kibworth is not a sustainable location for further extensive housing development and the NP should vigorously oppose more housing. Sooner or later a bypass will be required and its funding should not be tied into the provision of additional housing in Kibworth. Furthermore common sense decrees that the route for a prospective bypass should be reserved before local people are asked where new housing should go, and certainly before HDC make any decision on development location(s).

Quite simply, no more development to Kibworth. The current road situation is untenable. A bypass is long needed.

The questions already included are very comprehensive but I'd like to make the following point which I couldn't quite include earlier: A bypass is essential before any more housing developments - infrastructure should be in place before housing.

Our roads are not wide enough to cope with more traffic than at present, especially at such hours, (including school openings and closing) therefore more housing necessitates a by-pass.

Kibworth doesn't need an a6 bypass. More importantly it needs a southern relief road to alleviate congestion on High St. Coming off Fleckney Rd right down to opposite old caretakers bungalow on Smeeton Rd. And carrying on to a6 if needs be. This survey is also unfortunately flawed in so much that it can be done anonymously, and is open to be swayed by personal agendas by filling out several at a time! What a shame.

The A6 is slow in both directions morning and evening and sometime I have to queue up the A6 for 20 minutes, which makes me late collecting my child from nursery. A Bypass needs to be built, since it is the ONLY road connecting Leicester to Market Harborough and the A14. The traffic along these roads are lethal and this will only get worse when more houses in Market Harborough are built.

Continued efforts/consideration of bypass, bearing in mind Kibworth already had many extra houses and future plans for Kibworth and Market Harborough will necessitate better roads. It should not be blackmail to get bypass.

The current volume of traffic along Fleckney Road is dangerous and this will only get worse with additional large-scale development in this area (sites 1-4). Fleckney Road and High Street constitute the

main road through the village centre and this narrow street with its terraced housing and consequent on-street parking cannot cope with increased traffic. This is not only for reasons of congestion (and the resulting poor air quality from exhaust emissions) but also for safety concerns and material damage. Drivers already speed along Fleckney Road passed parked cars on either side of the road in the hope of not having to give way to on-coming traffic. Either that or they are mounting curbs and driving along pavements. I have witnessed 4 incidents in this last calendar year of parked cars being hit (including my own wing-mirror being taken clean off), or dustbins on pavements being knocked over. Fleckney road is narrow and not really wide enough to be a main road because it pre-dates vehicular traffic. Terraced housing does not provide off-street parking because cars were not around when this housing was built. This is why you find parked cars along the length of Fleckney Road and High Street. This prevents free-flowing traffic, as the road is not wide enough to permit cars in both directions. Impatient drivers present dangerous situations to residents and pedestrians not to mention material damage to people's cars, the curbs and pavements. With the addition of further housing in this area it will only worsen the current situation, with traffic resulting from this new housing attempting to get to the A6. Kibworth needs a bypass and the developers should be required to build one in addition to it being a condition that new housing requires a proportionate level of resourcing and servicing with shops, schools and other necessary amenities.

A bypass is a must before any further housing development or do the objectors have more influence than the majority of people in Kibworth? Why is the airport site not being developed near Market Harborough before any further development in Kibworth?

We are surprised to note that the Neighborhood Plan Committee have stated that the only way to fund a **bypass** is to build between 1500 and 3000 houses in our two villages. Where are all the houses that had to be built to fund the Great Glen bypass? Their bypass is over three times longer than a Kibworth bypass would be if built around the eastern side of Kibworth Harcourt. We would accept that the government currently does not have sufficient funding to finance our bypass, but perhaps in 5 or 10 years' time things may be different. Surprisingly the government does appear to have sufficient money to fund HS2 It is paramount that our village plan must include a protected corridor for a bypass now and this will form a boundary for any other developments, which may take place in the preceding years before funds become available. With the Market Harborough of Airfield Farm for 1500 houses and Industrial Development likely to provide about 700 jobs, the traffic passing through out village will continue to increase considerably and we would suggest that those developments, rather than developments in our village, should be contributing to a bypass fund for Kibworth. Without a plan for a Kibworth Bypass, the Neighborhood Plan will be seen in future years to be seriously lacking in credibility Ann & Clive Kirkland. 5 Hall Close, Kibworth Harcourt.

We need a bypass not round about, traffic lights, a bypass..... We are going to have houses so get used to it **use the house building to fund the bypass**.

If a bypass meant a gross excess of house I would prefer to have fewer houses without a bypass. A bypass should be funded by government as excess traffic will be generated by airfield farm (Mkt Harboro). A line of a bypass should be drawn now in the Neighborhood Plan.

The village desperately needs a bypass as access to the A6 is terrible and can be very dangerous, more housing developments will only make it worse.

I would be concerned of too many more houses being built in Kibworth without there being a by-pass built I think Kibworth is so busy with through traffic now that a bypass is even more important than ever.

Infrastructure and Amenities

The section was dominated by concerns for pressure on infrastructure and amenities, including roads, schools and doctors. There were also calls for a railway station. There was a loud call for infrastructure to be in place prior to any new housing development.

To have **public toilets** in the village.

It is a very nice village but **I don't go out after dark** as I would have to walk through the unlit jitty (I don't drive) and so cannot get to any clubs/meetings etc. I think it is a pity that the bank closed so inconvenient.

In 2012, my house, which is adjacent to site 1 on page 9, suffered serious **flooding**. The damage cost is excess of £28,000 to put right and the cause was surface water flowing from the fields at site 1 (a ridge & furrow agricultural site) my fear is that if this site is developed for housing, the risk of flooding in the future years will be very significantly increasing as the house will involve covering the absorbent green areas with concrete footings, driveways paths on surface water will have fewer places to be absorbed. PLEASE DO NOT LET THIS HAPPEN IN KIBWORTH!! Flooding is a miserable experience and very expensive. Please feel free to contact me for more information about this experience and its impact - 0116 2796002.

Infrastructure must be funded by developers + take place BEFORE building starts to prevent parceling of units.

I think a gym/swimming pool are worthy of noting. Used by the schools + general public. I would not be averse to a private membership. Harborough and Leicester are simply too far to go.

The NHS hasn't money available for the new health centres.

Parking~ the parking on New Road is an issue. Could the grass verge opposite the old gas company be resurfaced and used for car parking. Double yellow lines could then be put down New Road to assist traffic flow. Double Yellow Lines to be put outside the Co-Op on High Street so that the car park is used instead of street parking.

I think the village looks a bit tatty. The roads + pavements could do with some work to make them look smarter.

The traffic through the village is ridiculous people speed along the Fleckney road and once they get level with fire station tend to put their foot down. I feel we need a speed camera facing both ways on road by the 30mph flashing sign to try and deter Also a lot of cars drive upon pavement when really busy as cannot get past making it really unsafe for pedestrian.

I think a pedestrian crossing on corner by scout hut/entrance to field to help crossing road and make drivers be more aware/alert. Facilities need to be bigger for scouting as groups are growing.

Choice of Supermarket (Co-op very expensive) Gym More cycle routes better lighting slip road to A6 Neighbourhood Watch (committee + Meeting).

Additional housing requires ADEQUATE infrastructure- schools, transport etc. Green spaces must be protected Footpaths must be protected. Any development can only be considered if developers are to meet stringent requirements on providing/funding the infrastructure.

The nature and character of the village has changed dramatically while I have been living here - practically the Warwick Road Estate. I do not feel that the current road (A6), health centres and schools can take any more development. Also, its not just Beauchamp residents who find it difficult & access to the A6 (new road round suggests).

Please stop any more beauty and hair shops opening! We need a good pub what welcomes family and friends. We used to love visiting The Swan on a Friday evening after work to enjoy a glass of wine by the fire. A good coffee shop would be good as well.

Whilst I appreciate some people want decorative parks, at least some parks should be designed for smaller children (<12) to kick a ball around. Currently all Kibworth Meadows grassed areas have a 'no ball games' sign. It would be good to have some different types of children's play areas e.g. like the rock climbing play area near Meadowdale school in Market Harborough or the wooden assault course in St Mary's Road Rec. I would like to see more woodland easily accessible for residents, and a community garden.

A6 already congested throughout the day more so at peak times. It could NOT cope with additional development in housing without a bypass! Health facilities are already under pressure now (try and get a doctors appointment sometime). Given more housing development, both health centres would collapse!!

I would like to see the street lighting stay on all night again.

Any development must bring with it adequate and improved infrastructure and better amenities.

If more houses are built more off road parking is needed in the centre of the village better access on to the A6. At all main Junctions a greater need to **keep the fire station**.

Kibworth main village now overcrowded. 10 mins to get into Co-op carpark for a pint of milk in autumn. Logistically no more room as pavements a road. Actual traffic jam with school buses + increased traffic every morning **children walking in fumes**. Traditional village feel vital to the community. Green space + village hall. Facilities somewhere else some of cohesion lost as well as land, views, history, fresh air.

We need to keep the fire station.

The proposal oh closing the fire station - is it is more important to save a few pounds than it is to save a few lives?

Keep the Library, Keep the Fire Station. These are needed due to the size of our Village. I have lived in Kibworth all of my life and it would be a shame to loose 2 vital amenities.

If there is to be large-scale development a new railway station should be considered as well new schooling and shopping area outside of the current centre to preserve its character.

Where commercial/industrial spaces should be and whether any existing ones should be moved in favour of something else.

Think maybe **community policing facilities** could have been included in questionnaire.

Parking in all side streets is awful with people parking on kerbs to such an extent pushchairs and electric wheel chairs cannot get by. They park so close to people's driveways it is difficult to enter and leave your own driveway. Parking on kerbs and on bends and near junctions is all too common in Kibworth Beauchamp. Meadowbrook Road - accident waiting to happen it needs double yellow lines at the bend and junctions.

Parking on home close is terrible now **the council has sold off the garages** and parking spaces behind the maisonettes. There is hardly anybody parking on that car park now people have to pay. So no one is parking there.

I have a newly acquired property for **buy to let** in the area, therefore am an interested party in Kibworth's continuing community development.

I think that the Plan should take into account the opportunity to make sure that people from the local area have opportunity to stay and work in the local area. Similarly, local amenities such as the library which I cannot use due to working a long way away, are still of value to local residents. Opportunities to improve health and fitness are great; I attend a locally run fitness class but there are no dedicated gym facilities within easy reach of residents. The demographic of Kibworth also needs to be considered, and what type of people would fit in well to the good community cohesion already established. For example, I don't agree with the rumoured building of a Tesco in the former Rose and Crown pub.

I don't like having the X3 **bus stops taken out** of use at the A6. It seems as is the Harcourt (main Harcourt) side of the A6 is of no further interest. Surely the houses in this area should have been notified ahead of time. It's good that Kibworth Meadows is now included in the route, but does it have to be at the expense of the Main Street/Main Drive area? Also, could there not be a traffic calming measure installed on the Albert/Main Street. Cars take little notice of go-slow signs and it is very difficult too use when in this area to get out safe, into traffic.

I'm hoping to help fund sports/recreational facilities within Kibworth. Acting as a community, can we **save our library**? Fire station? Create a true village community? I'd love to discuss my plans with you. Tim Stimpson 07843069900 37 the lea, Kibworth LE8 0SE. We've just started to plan a future to support here in Kibworth. **I think I can help.**

No mention of **railway station**?! If development continues around Warwick Rd then good site for Park @ Ride.

A train station please.

Train station, a **parkway station** for Kibworth near the Warwick Road Bridge? Traffic and dangerous parking..... Specifically outside the Cub/ Guide building. There is increased use of this building and many more cars are parked very dangerously on this bend making turning out of Roseberry Avenue a dice with

death. I often wonder why the one-way system started on the turn beside the "spar shop" was not continued along White Street and Roseberry Avenue. Parking traffic on Fleckney Road is a huge problem, often impassable and now there are more buses. As a regular dog walking pedestrian on the Kibworth pavements throughout the winter months for many years the disregard for the proper function of pavements by many motorists has frequently astonished be and imperiled me and my dog. Please give some consideration to ways of preventing people driving and parking on pavements often leaving no room to pass by!

It is essential that primary school, healthcare) GPs and dental) and highways provision are clearly defined by HDC to all potential developers and whilst the proposals involving a bypass may be attractive, the village could not sustain 1500 more houses (Merton college's caveat) on funding a bypass without considerable additional infrastructure within the village core, the bypass will not help Kibworthians trying to get into and through the village mornings and evenings.

I strongly agree with almost everyone in our village feel that slowly this village is turning into a town, I certainly moved here twenty-one years ago because we wanted to live in the village and experience the wonderful community that this village has. We cannot destroy the beautiful countryside around our village and we are already bursting at the seams regarding schooling, doctors, dentist, play schools and worse of all traffic! Please do not turn our village into a town!!

This is a bit of a minefield. I think most of us reluctantly accept more development has to come but planners must bear in mind the narrow village streets and parking problems that currently exist. Even 200 homes will mean up to 400 cars, and all the associated traffic snarl-ups this will bring. Market Harborough is shortly to accept up to 1500 homes - 3000 cars. The A6 struggles to cope at peak times as it is. Yet do we want a bypass that will damage beautiful countryside and bring several thousand more homes? We also have to consider how we are to feed and water people if we keep on building on farmland. There is mileage in the suggestion to build distinct garden cities/villages with their own infrastructure - Mawsley in Northants is a good example, and permit only small developments of already established villages and it is this approach I support.

We have an aging population, dependent on bus or walking distance, which is important for shopping and medical services. A local Nursery home, catering also for dementia is needed.

Any changes made to buildings for health and education should be ADEQUATE having lived here for 50 years and being involved with plans for Smeeton Road health centre many ago - notice should be taken of the growth of the village in the future. This was not taken care of when this health centre was planned. It was originally built to house. 2) Medical practices but was obviously far too small even then. The powers that be kept knocking parts of the plans out with the result that only one practice was willing to move in!!! Now a bigger building is needed for this premise - forward planning is ESSENTIAL similar events have overtaken the primary school in Hillcrest Avenue. Thank You.

A massive increase in the population of the village has to be matched with a massive increase in the infrastructure, which includes: **Shops Restaurants/Coffee Shops Bypass - v. important Sports & Leisure facilities** - very important to have a good gym and swimming facility (we can have pools served locally). Education - the primary school is probably at its limit now CCTV in public areas to minimize vandalism e.g. recreational park.

I should like to comment on education: 1) it is not quantity of pre-school provision that should be a priority, but the quality 2) what about the provision offered by registered child-minders 3) Place at primary level dependent on the law and, importantly, lack of space to properly accommodate existing numbers. Health: How would those without transport reach 3,4+5?

Schools and doctors will not cope with many more houses. Getting out of the A6 in the morning rush hour is a nightmare already.

All facilities are centred in Beauchamp at the moment; it's a long walk from Harcourt.

My main concerns regarding any development are the lack of infrastructure to support substantial development (e.g. schools/doctors etc.)

The Old Rose and Crown site on the A6 is an ideal place for a small convenience store or health centre.

Parking to ease congestion on stratum road. Double yellow line round bottleneck area up from railway. Does it have to be a bottleneck at all?

Parking on pavements outside co-op is an issue.

Re-open the **train station**.

Security lighting and surveillance for the skate park and children's play equipment on the Warwick Road parks. If not then those facilities should be removed.

There are limited **activities in the village for 11-18 year olds**. A youth club/drop in centre/coffee shop would help to keep them out of the children's playgrounds and off the streets.

If, alas, there is wholesale development in & around the village, serious long-term consideration must be given to rail transport and concomitant services.

The roads in the village are already unable to cope with the amount of traffic using them. Building more houses and the odd roundabout will NOT change this. All the new housing is going up with NO community buildings or spaces and are therefore serving just as a dormitory for people working anywhere but Kibworth.

Renewable energy sources. Solar panels as standard on any new build/ community building. Solar powered street lighting. A workable plan to reduce the current traffic congestion throughout the village and improve access to the A6.

Clarks garage should be addresses. Everyday Brookfield way and now parts of new road by Brookfield way are clogged with their workers. This can make it annoying and dangerous sometimes, difficult to emerge from your own drives, especially as the park along the bend. Repeated appeals to councilors have not made a difference.

We moved into Kibworth over 10 years ago, we have seen significant changes since and not always for the good, village parking is now a nightmare, doctor's appointments are virtually impossible and access to the A6 community is a nightmare. Clarks need a car park! And negotiation the new road at rush hour can be frustrating & dangerous. **Kibworth Village is growing but the facilities are not**, we need shops & doctors over the other side of the new developments to ease the village burden.

Sorry to get out my "soapbox" but I feel the following needs to be mentioned. In 2004 I was the secretary to the Kibworth parish plan and it might be interesting and useful to see which items have become more or less important to the people in the village. The two most important issues concerning people are the need for a by-pass and the proposed provision of more houses in the village. Regarding the former point it is now very difficult to do a right turn onto the A6 at anytime of the day. The point regarding more houses are obvious - more congestion (and health issues) and the demand on schools and health difficulties. In the manic demand for more houses from all levels of government and individuals no one seems to consider the demand on energy. More houses = more demand for gas, and electricity. Eventually the lights will go out in Kibworth and the rest of UK. That'll be fun.

Access to the village via new road is limited to a single lane due to parking by Clarke's Garage & Employers and customers/ deliveries Access to the A6 from the village is a problem now and will become far worse if more developments take place. Similarly access to doctor's surgeries is difficult now & can only get worse if further developments occur.

There should be a coordinated plan for improved infrastructure with **contributors from all developers** to ensure sufficient amenities to cope with the increase population.

A train station in Kibworth may help to eliminate some congestion on the A6. The existing "new" housing around Warwick Rd/A6 (David Wilson etc.) has caused increased demand on village amenities such as - local shops -primary school places. **There is a massive lack of infrastructure.** A development of this size at very least have included a local shop and possibly a small school. The current disquiet no further development is largely due to this.

Public Toilets. Extra Doctors/ Medical & Facilities on the Warwick Road Estate.

I rarely use the bus service as it involves walking too far to comfortably carry shopping (1 mile) and is not conducive to social interests as no resource after 7ish or Sundays.

Although I do not need the sporting facilities etc. I am aware that many do and the village is lucky to have them. New development concerns me the most and the village infrastructure & facilities not being eventually sufficient for needs, health & education eventually not being able to cope.

All night **street lightning.**

Regarding **doctor's surgeries.** These must be in a central position and the assumption must not be made that everyone has a car to get there, The two surgeries in Market Harborough always seems to be underused and for the patients M.H without a car, it is a long way out of town - hence my objection to building new facilities on the edge of the villages.

Also perhaps the health centre could offer more appointments. Seems impossible to see a doctor now before prospects of more houses.

Sometimes trying to get a doctors appointment for the same day is hard. A National Health dentist would be a good idea.

There is a lot of discussion about the placement of the new health centre. I appreciate that this is a difficult decision but I would like to make the following comments. 1) Most elderly people live in the traditional villages & are unlikely to live in the new housing. They require easy access to the surgery 2)

Most of the people moving in to the new houses are under the age of 50 & have cars so they can get to the surgery easily. With the proposed new housing, I would suggest that this be centred around the Wistow Road area where we already have the new estate. I further suggest that this becomes a separate "Kibworth" given its own name i.e. "Kibworth Fields" This will then become a new village & perhaps one with its own local shops & community centre.

New "village" amenities should be (if appropriate) near to the new housing developments. I feel the village is big enough already and the new development will go ahead irrespective of public opinion. I do hope that I am wrong on this point. As we are an ageing population more domestic residential accommodation is required in the community near local amenities to promote the health and wellbeing of village inhabitants.

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There is no mention of **provision of schooling** & when we moved here the school had approx. 350 pupils the current number is 500+ and growing. Until this year, children have been in class size of 35+ children which has had a significant impact on the children + education. If the school isn't rated highly then families won't be attracted to the new houses + village.

It isn't right that primary school children must be bused to school because there are **no further school places in Kibworth**.

My daughter is at Kibworth Primary School. She had 37 pupils in her class last year, which is completely unacceptable. **The school infrastructure cannot cope with more children.**

We have a 2 year old who would like to attend Kibworth primary school in 2017. This is looking more and more unlikely. Please can we address this ASAP? We only have one car and **bussing a 4 year old out the village to go to school is ridiculous!!**

Better schooling as the village expands.

Primary schools in surrounding villages and Kibworth itself are so full already this needs to be a major consideration, as **Kibworth School can't cope** so the other primaries are now full. What will happen when all these children try to get into Kibworth high school?

You need to listen to the residents of the village. The school is verging on inadequate; the roads are virtually no go areas as they're so unsafe. Weir road, Kibworth beau champ, can't handle the plume of traffic proposed.

School places are now almost fully committed and no further increases in capacity are available within present schools. New schools must be provided by developers so that children can go to school in the villages? Should schooling be provided in Kibworth Harcourt?

If additional housing is built, further investment needed to increase school capacity for all ages, also payment towards additional policing.

Schools, health provision, and road congestion (A6 and in the villages) should be addressed before there is any more major housing development.

With any new housing at least a new primary school will be needed as both and the academy have nearly reached full capacity.

If more houses are built in Kibworth provision must be made for more school places and doctors surgeries. The fire station **MUST** be kept.

The buses from Kibworth need to ensure there is enough places available to get all the 6th form students to their lessons on time - for Robert Smyth, Beauchamp and QE. What has happened to the station we were promised on the Elliot Close plans?

Kibworth's infrastructure, schools, medical centres, roads etc. are all relative to Kibworth being a village.

The village hall is greatly improved but has little parking. The grammar school is nearly all right but if the hall is in use the 2 available rooms may be too small. Could anything be improved here?

All additional housing should be matched with sufficient provision for educational, medical, public transport and parking facilities.

I'd like to see the reintroduction of a small railway station perhaps on the outskirts with a small number of rush hours trains to both Leicester and Harborough.

If large development of housing has to happen, then an additional primary school will be needed & maybe either plans to add on to the Kibworth school or another secondary school around the Wistow Road area in addition to the current Kibworth school. **A third health centre** would also be of use to more development as well as another small grocery shop nearer to new development at Warwick Rd.

We need a local leisure centre with a swimming pool. This would allow kids at my primary school and elderly/disabled to have more physical please exercise in the village.

If Further Houses have to be built it is imperative that amenities be provided on the edge of the village to prevent more cars driving through the centre of Kibworth.

Affordable housing should not be built up by housing associations but made available to **first time buyers** and young couples. Huge developments in the district should be attached to towns such as Lutterworth where they are already adjusted to city infrastructure. More importantly, jobs so that travelling to employment on **public transport** and NOT from rural areas causing pollution. If developments are planned then the infrastructure must be in place first and **nothing should be planned before the new Neighborhood Plan is agreed** and then a total plan is put in place and not a random approach.

There is a concern over the limited places at the Methodist **pre-school** as there is a huge waiting list and no other pre-school in the village. The new nursery will not be the same, as they don't have the same connections to the primary school. If new housing is built, what will happen with the already limited school places?

We can't keep building houses and not expand schools.

It would be great to have a **train station**. The new estate desperately needs a shop for the basics i.e. bread, milk, baby milk etc.

No new development should be agreed without the provision of adequate **primary school places**.

As Kibworth is becoming larger, a bank would be a good idea. Also, weir road is an accident waiting to happen. Entry to/from home close is extremely dangerous, with cars and vans parking on corner or very close to road from home close, as well as some drivers speeding. More parking would be helpful.

Every effort must be taken to retain the existing fire station, as it is located in the strategy position.

The village could do with a more centralised parking area.

Infill development is ripping the heart out of Kibworth. If more development is agreed where are the children to be educated?

Better **routes for mobility scooters** around the village.

On street parking will need to be monitored and controlled.

If there is wholesale development in and around the village serious long-term considerations must be given to **transport by rail**.

Additional parks/green space. Play equipment in **parks**. Exercise equipment in parks, this will be used by children & adults.

Traffic calming on Main Street and Albert Street.

1 - Litter around the schools and the recreation ground off school road 2 - Antisocial behaviour and vandalism and graffiti 3 - Positive use of CCTV in one or two specific areas to combat the growth of items mentioned in 1 & 2 4 - Prohibit parking of all cars in New Road.

If new housing is being built then we need to think about an improved infrastructure. Since Kibworth appeals mainly to people with families it is imperative that we think about expansion of our schools. There is only 1 primary school and each class has up to 39 per class. This is unacceptable. Please build a new school - this should be a priority over and above everything else. Children are our future and people are attracted to Kibworth because of the reputation of the schools. If this reputation diminishes then so too will house prices.

Traffic + parking are becoming a major issue in Kibworth. Buses drive too fast + mount pavements Litter + fly tipping needs to be addressed. **The skate park** needs updating to concrete to stop further vandalism + moved to a new location (somewhere on the edge of the village).

Family Pub at the top end of village (new housing) **Traffic Lights** on A6.

I fear the certain areas of proposed development will bring the **high risk of flooding**. This would be due to surface water and its transportation through outdated water courses existing in the village/ These are not fit for purpose now let alone being put under extra pressure due to large scale developments I speak

from bitter experience having suffered serious flooding from this cause in July 2012 and then again in December 2012.

A **community mini bus** to pick up the senior citizens from home to take them to the village for shopping and then take them back home.

1) Litter around the schools and the recreation ground off school road 2) Antisocial behaviour and **vandalism and graffiti** 3) Possibility of the use of CCTV on one or two areas 4) Prohibit parking of cars in New Road.

Nature

A few people asked for nature to be remembered and protected during this Neighbourhood Plan.

I think we need **more footpaths** in Kibworth Harcourt to link with existing footpaths to create circular routes around the villages. At present K. Harcourt footpaths don't connect other ones in the south. We have some great old trees in K. Harcourt along the Langton Road and elsewhere - are they protected? Can we protect the large fishponds within the conservation areas and possibly utilize them as a village resource? Urgent!! WHY is there no mention of **wildlife** in this questionnaire! We need to have a wildlife friendly village for new and future generations we must protect wildlife, It is our responsibility Many Creatures we once took for granted and as the honeybee and many birds are struggling and in decline!

The developers should provide wildlife friendly areas to keep the feel & look of a village & to promoted people getting out into the country. They should build swift/swallow bricks into North facing areas of the houses as Kibworth is lucky to have lots of them in the summer, & this is part of the village feel. They should also make a donation to the wildlife hospital if building on green land.

A community orchard, a community woodland in the north east to mirror Mill Field Wood to the west, community garden with flowers not just grass, more access to the school sports fields and tennis courts which are unused during weekends.

Maybe we could have a new footpath from the top of the tin bridge field diagonally to the Primary school? The current one across the top near the hedge is in bad repair and overgrown. This is a well-used path for children walking to school and most walk across the muddy grass instead.

Put concrete and tarmac onto green countryside and every natural living thing has to either die or find somewhere else to live. **Humans need nature.** Open spaces must be a priority within the built up areas.

Provision of a country park type open area for recreation (NOT SPORTS) and exercise for health. Plus wildlife encouragement e protection, including tree planting.

Traffic

Traffic is a major issue for many people as they feel there is too much of it for Kibworth to manage at present. The prospect of more development, and so more traffic, is a matter of great concern to many respondents.

Very concerned about Wistow Road traffic 1. Hugely Increased Volume (in last 8 years) 2. Peak Time Queues backing up to and beyond Wistow Roundabout making the turn, out of the estate extremely difficult. 3. All traffic appears to speed over 30mph (non-peak) 4. Excessive farm vehicles (very heavy) driving up and down at High Speed for 18 hours every day - causing **excessive wear and tear of roads** roundabouts and highly toxic fumes. Close to our houses 5. So ANY further housing/development that would affect an increase of traffic should be avoided.

Q16 - a cycle path would restrict even further the limited road space - e.g. where could it reasonably be our between The Bank and the Cricket Club? Q 22 - there should be no new development, which would have the potential to bring any more traffic to High Street/Fleckney Road. **Remember how small the village was when the current road was designed**, compared to the vast increase in traffic it is already expected to carry. Coupled to this is the thoughtless (and often illegal) parking that takes place every weekday during the daytime, which can make it a nightmare to negotiate. Q 31 & 32 - as the other sites are dependent upon the unwelcome further housing development, and are far removed from the village centre, they should remain in their current central locations. Q 39 - depending upon the time of day and whether schools are in, an alternative route to Mkt Harborough via Smeeton Road, Gumley and Lubenham might be used.

The road system is very poor. Only 4 roads out of the village. New Road is frequently blocked by parked cars and lorries unloading cars. Fleckney road has tremendous congestion, particularly when the refuse lorry is collecting bins. Smeeton Road is blocked by Buses & parents dropping & picking up pupils. These routes need to be improved. Also access to the A6 at New Road & Church Road. Then there are the side roads with terraced properties and no 'off-road' parking. No development should be allowed where the only access is via these roads. I.e. Weir Road, Harcourt Road, Halford Road / Imperial Road, etc. Fleckney Road - Warwick Road junction is dangerous. Traffic from the Fleckney direction travels very fast. It is visible to cars turning into Warwick road very late. Add in pedestrians who are on the road & dog walkers. A serious accident waiting to happen.

If the proposals go through to build more houses, this will inevitably cause more traffic through Kibworth Beauchamp. You can't widen the roads, so what is to be done? Stopping parking on Main Street or at least restricted parking would help. Road bumps didn't. So **please consider a 20 mile speed limit** through the village this may deter some motorists from using it as a 'rat run'.

The village is full and any more additions by big housing projects will ruin the village. The way people park, more or less abandoning their vehicles by the road, on or off yellow lines whilst they go to the shops. No traffic wardens to be seen! Parking on the corners of roads, making it almost impossible to see oncoming cars. This all needs sorting out.

The A6 is no longer fit for purpose; it cannot sustain more development and cope with H'boro/Leics traffic.

The siting of any modification to the A6 road seem to me to be of paramount importance (section B) before much of the earlier part of the questionnaire can be set in motion - this ... section 6 (Housing Development) and section 7 (Health) in particular It is very much a chicken and egg situation.

Widen the bridge over the railway to remove the need for traffic lights Install traffic lights (part time) at the junction of A6 and main St (106-112end) and a mini roundabout by the coach and horses.

Kibworth is in gridlock. Many houses have no off-road parking; dropped kerbs mean even less parking. Large delivery lorries, especially outside fast-food outlets. The double decker bus on Fleckney Road, but mostly inconsiderate parking near corners. Sometimes the car park at the old Grammar school is full. More houses, more cars make the situation worse. Moving essential services further out means more use of cars and quite a lot of O.A.P's do not drive. As the new houses make the village bigger this will inevitably mean people will use their cars more.

I live near golf club (Kibworth). I am a driver. Weir Road is nearly always congested/traffic-wise. To access new road I have tried using links road. This is very awkward because all the cars parked along new road. Workers cars from the garage. They could all use Kibworth free public car park and walk a short distance to the garage. If houses are built which use Wentworth Road, access to the rest of the village (The A6) the congestion will be worse/impossible.

In the section 8 (transport) you mainly concentrated to travel work. Consideration is essential also to be given to car use in and out and within the villages for the growing community for shopping, leisure and education purposes, together with parking arrangements. Additional housing will only highlight a lack of planning in this regard unless provision is made. PLEASE NOTE - It is felt that you have not fully taken into account the COMPLETE age structure within the community, which has always been the spirit within these villages.

Increased use of scout hut has caused huge dangers with cars parked on bend/half on pavement. With the junction and increased bus movements on this road, it's bad. I'm in Meadowbrook so I know. And some 30yrs ago my car was hit head on by a vehicle taking the bend too wide. Now with parked vehicles on many occasions the bend is more dangerous!

Worries about the junction of Church Rd and the A6, an accident waiting to happen, as no one slows. To 30 mph, turning Right can be lethal, either a mini roundabout near the coach and horses. Or traffic calming, and the 30 mph sign moved back nearer the A6 layby. + it's getting harder and harder to exit Kibworth, especially at peak times. St Wilfred close is a bottleneck, especially at school times; there is a proposal to build on the field, one of the few parts of the green belt left in the village. This would only add to congestion. Just to satisfy the greed of the landowner and developers.

I am amazed at the number of **double decker buses** that go passed my house from 7 in the morning which very rarely have any one in them. What a waste resource. I live on the corner of Roseberry Avenue and Hackney Road and the traffic has increased since I have lived here. The number of extremely large lorries that still come down that road and very often turn around in front of my house because they realised they have either made a mistake or gone too far alone the road. It's quite appalling. This road has never been built for even more traffic housing plans.

Double Yellow lines along bits of the High St & Fleckney Rd; to stop people stopping "dangerously" in the vicinity of the Co-op/Meadow Brook. Same lower down the High St near the restaurants

We appreciate that development needs to take place but it needs to be sustainable However Naturally we would prefer none if there is development there will obviously, be more cars etc. One thing that is missing from here is **car parking**, which is already at a premium.

Before any further housing is considered, the existing chaotic road systems need drastic improvement. The "**rat runs**" through **Harcourt and Beauchamp** add to the situation.

I have great concerns about volume of traffic through the High Street and Fleckney Road with parked vehicles being negotiated continually by traffic!!

Bigger central reservation to enable one car at a time to turn right from New Road onto the A6

Excessive volume of traffic through the centre of the village.

Estate roads are inadequate for two way traffic due to the amount of on road parking. Weir Road in-particular needs to be improved as it is very uneven.

I See access to the A6 as being a much bigger issue. **Traffic lights** at the church road junction and a large traffic island at the new road junction should be our number one priority, regardless of anything else.

Being able to actually drive out of the village needs to be addressed.

The traffic in Kibworth Village centre is currently horrible at times I would rather drive through central London than along the High Street, by building more houses this will only get a 100 times worse.

Access to A6 needs resolving, also cars parked by Clarks employees on New Road & Brookfield Way.

I hope that we do not get any more houses than essential as the roads in particular are very busy and congested. Fleckney Rd is a nightmare even on Sunday due to car boot! It worries me that anymore vehicles will have to use it to enter/exit the village/ The roundabout near the new estate is so busy at peak times and traffic backs up along Warwick Rd. This will get worse if more houses are built Smeeton Rd is very busy with school traffic, tennis club traffic and doctors, the junction with main street near win shop is dangerous as vision turning left/right is limited.

Re. Section 8 Transport. A new Rd/A6 roundabout I fear would often lead to traffic congestion/back up on the A6 from both directions while offering little more help for those exiting New Rd and turning south. I wonder if a better solution might be to continue (in effect) the central reservation already provided for southbound vehicles on the A6 turning right into New Rd. This could accommodate say 3 S. bound vehicles out of new road each of them filtering in turn into the south bound A6 traffic :(S.Bound vehicles on the A6 turning tight into new road would halt and work through as at present. A similar provision at the A6/ Lodge Close - Main street junction (if there is room for it) would reduce the temptation for those exiting Main St to turn right (north) on the A6 to make Kamikaze leaps. [Tel. no 0116 279 3825 - given only for any further clarification or discussion of these particular concerns - if considered worthwhile].

The current traffic situation is dangerous - in particular - paired cars on Fleckney Road resulting in cars mounting the pavement. I live on Rosberry Avenue and find the traffic, at times, dangerous. There should be improved access to Meadowbrook Road. Kibworth seems so over-populated in terms of the amount of cars and the junction at Church Rd/ A6 is dangerous - it is only a matter of time before a fatal accident.

I don't have a suggestion but I do feel we need to cut down on traffic in the Centre of Kibworth. Perhaps provide more parking/car park on the outskirts of the centre and make it only accessible to residents (refer to Main Street/Fleckney road in particular).

The roads cant cope, getting in & out of Kibworth for work is getting more difficult & taking longer. Residents occupying new homes are not enhancing/ embracing. Utilising village amenities they just increase car usage on the roads, that are already too small to deal until the area of traffic as they leave the village to shop and be entertained.

Transport issues must be addressed before any development is approved; a bypass must only be considered when the need is recognized and not because a private sector scheme has been offered. The infrastructure is already at breaking point there cannot be large scale developments without serious consideration given to access roads e.g. Carlton Road. No mention is made of the pollution concerns that would arise with further development. Since moving here in 2003 the **pollution due to increased traffic** has been significant. Critical figures state that 3,000 cars a day use Main Street, Kibworth Harcourt. Access onto the A6 is on par with New Road; any development that requires additional traffic would be detrimental to health of residents and cause even greater gridlock. If development were to be agreed on Kibworth Harcourt side of the A6 (e.g. Location 8) it would be an advantage to have a shop, as crossing the A6 is increasingly more dangerous. **Cycle access is critical** - in and around the villages.

It is important that Kibworth has a bypass now before any future development. The Leicestershire County Council should **agree a route that the bypass should travel as part of the development strategy for Kibworth** despite the availability of financial funds. This may become available in the near future but should not be financed dependent on the number of houses built in the future.

Any additional burden on roads within the village -Development should be focused on sites where access to the A6 can be provided easily -There should be **no development that increases direct traffic onto the village centre or Smeeton Road.**

The Main issue for me is the **traffic congestion in the village centre**. It is so crowded most times of the day + I am reluctant to drive in to the village to use local amenities. Parking is also an issue I don't know how to address the problem but it causes me to often travel to neighboring areas such as Great Glen or Oadby rather than "battle" into the village centre..... which can't be right!

Exit from Church Road to A6 - traffic lights required, one-way traffic system to be introduced in the village centre.

Part time traffic lights at A6/ New Road & A6 station road - cheaper and quickly up & running.

Turning onto the A6 to get to Leicester in the morning is a nightmare - worst problem in Kibworth.

Better access required onto the A6 from Church Road. Maybe a **mini roundabout**.

We now experience a rather unpleasant "**rush hour**" on High Street and Fleckney Road that needs addressing before it gets out of hand.

I don't feel that adequate consideration has been given to traffic, it's bad enough at the moment but should any of these developments go ahead it will only get worse. The Fleckney Road at peak times is treacherous + I fear **it will only be a question of time before a serious accident occurs.**

If any developments are considered the existing road network needs to improve! New Rd parking should NOT be allowed, as this is now a bus route + accessibility via Links Rd in parking areas is a bad problem. At the New Rd/ A6 junction either peak lights should be installed as a roundabout! To build houses at the Backside of the golf course would cause traffic overload for Weir Rd, Links Rd & Springfield Crescent.

I live on New Rd and since moving here 4 years ago the traffic on New Rd has at least doubled.

Sometimes it can take me 5 minutes just to get off my drive. People parking in the centre of the village can be dangerous as some people park as near to where they are going with no consideration for other road users or pedestrians. I feel that issue of the extra traffic through the village needs to be resolved.

Illegal parking of vehicles causing congestion and difficulty for disabled people i.e. people with bad vision.

Parking is becoming a problem in both villages. The increase in the volume of traffic has caused problems already. More houses-more cars-more parking but where?

Parking- current enforcement of parking restrictions is non-existent. Current ad hoc parking is a big issue to both transport and pedestrians (those with prams). This should be reviewed under transport. (Lots have been discussed about parking so why is it omitted?).

Regarding school buses, could there be routed links road, Springfield Crescent terminating at the footpath beside the academy school, with a new entrance to the school at Warwick Road footpath? It would relieve the congestion at High Street/Smeeton Road junction.

Huge school coaches/ tractors and trailers, lorries etc. are using Marsh Drive which has 7.5 tonne limit or for delivery only. This is not being enforced and the signs are only at the A6 end of the road, not at the bottom end.

Traffic congestions in the high street & new road, which will only worsen with more development. More off road parking for shops, businesses on the roads.

The question about traffic cannot be answered sensibly in the form it is currently in. Improved access should be considered, how can we assume implementation is appropriate without knowing what the plans are going to look like. The question about a roundabout is similar, without further detail a "yes or no" is pointless since the proposed solution may or may not be desirable.

The volume of traffic through the village, which will only become worse if more houses are built.

increased traffic around the village is a major concern if housing increases and access to the A6, already the coach and horses junction is a nightmare and will continue to be as residents rely on their cars.

Make the builders put in a short by pass for the increase in cars for all the extra houses 2 to 3 cars per house extra, just needed from between bridge and civic amenity site on A6 to just past Wistow roundabout to take the heavy lorries from going along the old narrow A6.

Access to the A6 is dangerous and often gridlocked. Kibworth cannot cope with more people unless there is a complete overhaul of access & infrastructure.

Parking is a major issue in & around the village particularly on Halford Road where I live & the selfishness of neighbours from nearby areas i.e. Fleckney Road. Just because numerous houses have no

parking facilities they feel they have the right to park across other people's driveways. The police have far more important matters to deal with, rather than towing away cars so we can simply drive to work! More houses will add to this problem!

Parking to ease congestion on Stratum Road. Double yellow line round bottleneck area up from railway. Does it have to be a bottleneck at all?

I've mentioned traffic calming in section 8 but it's worth expanding on. We live on Main Street, which is used as a rat run to access The Langtons. It is very difficult to access the A6 to Leicester in the mornings and at other peak times. Likewise, using the other junction, to access the A6 to Market Harborough is often difficult. Particularly with vehicles parking on the slip road. Could these junctions be controlled by **traffic lights at peak times** (including school run times)? There needs to be a way of slowing vehicles down on this stretch road. A by-pass would be ideal but not if that means Kibworth Harcourt gets swallowed up by another unsightly major housing development.

Speed cameras are needed on Church Road, & on the A6 from Kibworth Harcourt round about to at least past New Road.

Propose a roundabout or traffic lights at both hillcrest/A6 junctions. Both are difficult and there is a wall blocking on coming traffic. View is hard at Hillcrest junction. **Parking enforcements** for bad parkers + Hillcrest School parents who don't understand Highway Code.

Although a roundabout at new road/A6 is proposed, a greater need is to improve access into A6 from Maron Drive & Main Street Kibworth Harcourt it is hazardous to say the least, to attempt to access the A6 towards Leicester at busy periods.

Concerned about north & east SDA relief road as it cuts through the new development and has many roundabouts would these not slow traffic from Leicester to Harborough at peak times even more? Surely the bypass should be on the outskirts of the development and preferably be a dual carriageway?

The function of new road to the A6 screams out for a roundabout. There are accidents there and a great amount of near misses. The cost of roundabout is small compared to alternatives. A lot of traffic does exceed the speed limit the speed limit of 30mph could be extended to the railway bridge on the A6.

As an alternative to a roundabout at the new road A6 junction, a larger central reservation would allow those turning right to cross one lane of traffic at a time.

1) Reduce size of Beauchamp roundabout opposite Holyoake 2) Traffic lights @ junction of A6 for cars 3) Mini roundabout: Weir Road + New Road 4) Traffic light @ Smeeton Road and High Street.

Parking controls. Places like Weir Road can become near to impossible for cars. This is a serious issue when an emergency vehicle is halted. Living in a terrace house is not a reason to park without consideration.

Consider a resident parking permit scheme for on road parking on Fleckney Road.

If planning permission is granted along Warwick Road the bridge across the rail line needs to be wider allowing two-way traffic.

Installation of traffic lights on A6, at its junctions with: a) Church road, at peak times b) Main street (north end), At peak times Widen Warwick Road Railway Bridge to 2-lane, and remove traffic lights on existing single track section. Provision of cycle tracks on all roads.

Comments about KNPG & the questionnaire

I value and appreciate the idea + work of the Neighborhood Plan, so have persevered with completing it. However the way that many of the questions are asked is somewhat frustrating. Could I suggest more room for free text responses - for so many of the questions, my response is not a straight yes/no - I need to explain & put provisions in. The value would be far higher than responses to this set of questions.

This seems a very comprehensive survey. Well done.

Some of the questions have been left blank because of their 'loaded' nature e.g. new housing or relocation of surgeries. Why give preferred option when my preferred option of no new housing or relocation of surgery is not included?

Good questionnaire - thank you!

Good Luck!!! Thank you.

Good Luck with your questionnaire hope you get a very good response.

I think the main issue is that the writers of this survey clearly have a preconceived idea of what they want the survey to show...that may not match all of the respondents but I have a feeling that the results will be massaged to show what the group want them to say.

I am unhappy with the skew of some of the questions - and yes/no only options - I have not answered some of the questions because I did not think the options were expansive enough.

PS: We are grateful for the endeavors of the KNPG, thank you. Some question we found to be ambiguous.

Please consider the views of students who live elsewhere in term time.

Thank you for doing this for us all, much appreciated.

Thank you to the KPNG for their hard work in putting this questionnaire together.

A very concise and commendable survey.