

Claverham Future

Working with Yatton Parish Council to create Claverham Neighbourhood Plan

SURVEY SUMMARY

The following summary of the NDP survey results is based on the majority views expressed by the 292 respondents.

Environment

In terms of **landscape** features, villagers felt the following were of high value to them: Quiet lanes, Public Footpaths, Open Farmland, The Moors and Rhynes, Ancient Hedgerows and Stone Walls. The quiet lanes and footpaths across open countryside were of particular importance due to their recreational value. (Q4, Q6).

In the built environment, villagers placed the highest value on Listed Buildings, but also gave high value to The Village Hall, Court-de-Wyck School, Historic Farm Buildings and Special Features such as the old (cast iron) road signs (Q5, Q6).

In terms of open spaces, the Fields to the North of Chestnut Drive, Safe Streets for Children's play, use of the field adjacent to the Village Hall and access to Cadbury Hill (outside of the plan area) were all of high importance. Court-de-Wyck School field has been appreciated by villagers, but is no longer accessible. Broadcroft open space was not of high importance to the majority of villagers (Q7).

Villagers felt that The Fields and Public Rights of Way, Lanes and Hedgerows, Moors and Rhynes, Back Gardens and Ponds and Streams were all highly important for wildlife in the village (Q8).

Flooding was clearly the major environmental concern of villagers. Some suggested that better management of drainage ditches would help. The majority of respondents placed high importance on the creation of more formally allocated open spaces, in addition to the current provision in Broadcroft Open Space. (Q9).

Housing

The majority of villagers did not support building any houses outside of the current settlement boundary. There was limited support for building up to 15 houses outside of the current settlement boundary. In general terms, the majority of villagers would prefer any new development to be restricted to housing-only, rather than commercial or mixed development. For the UTC commercial site, however, a clear majority would prefer re-development to be mixed use. (Q10, Q11). Q12, Q21)

Any new houses should be a mixture of sizes and should be restricted to two storeys. Developments should also contain a mixture of market housing and affordable homes where appropriate. Division but not demolition of existing houses should be allowed in order to create additional housing. New properties should be in keeping with existing village character, provide adequate off-street parking to reflect local levels of car ownership and be energy efficient/carbon neutral. (Q13, Q14, Q15, Q16, Q17, Q18, Q19, Q20).

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Traffic and transport

The majority of villagers would like to see traffic calming measures introduced along the Claverham Road. Speed bumps were the least popular means to achieve this. (Q22).

There was strong support for improving pedestrian access to Yatton, including improvements to the public footpath leading from Hunts Lane and/or widening the pavements in places along the Claverham Road, even where this would narrow the road to a single lane (Q23, Q24, Q28).

Residents and businesses would generally like to see unrestricted car parking continue in the village, but were in favour of limiting parking to one side of High Street [presumably for safety reasons?] (Q25, Q26).

A clear majority of residents would like to see improvements to the bus services and there was also support for placing a bicycle stand on the green verge in Chestnut Drive. (Q27, Q29)

Facilities

The majority of residents would support the creation of a shop and medical facility in the village, but many also expressed concerns that a shop may not be viable. (Q30)

Businesses

The main concern for business owners in the village was access to high speed internet (fibre to premises). (Q31)