

CARLTON PARISH COUNCIL

REFERENDUM ON PARISH PLANNING POLICY

ANALYSIS OF RETURNS

One questionnaire was delivered to the address of every registered elector in Carlton Parish. 217 questionnaires were issued and 95 returned: response rate 44%.

In this report all counts have been converted to percentages and corrected to the nearest whole percent. Some questions were open, so there is a subjective element in the analysis of the replies.

The response of the PC to this referendum will be discussed in future issues of Carlton News. Chris Peat November 1991.

QUESTION 1: Why do you choose to live in Carlton?

- 41% Unspoilt, quiet, peaceful
- 33% Rural situation, open views
- 27% Pleasant village, real village
- 13% Close to workplace, business is here
- 11% Small
- 8% Born here, lived here over 20 years
- 5% House we liked
- 3% Friendly
- 3% Like it here
- 3% To be with my husband, relatives nearby
- 2% Better than most places
- 2% To retire in area
- 1% No pollution
- 1% Good pub
- 1% No choice
- 1% House has large garden

QUESTION 2: What do you like most about Carlton village?

- 42% Peaceful quiet
- 18% Rural setting
- 15% Friendly
- 3% Small
- 9% Caring community
- 9% Village atmosphere
- 6% Unspoilt
- 5% Clean, tidy
- 3% Open views
- 2% Convenient for motorways, airports etc
- 2% Familiarity
- 2% Not isolated
- 1% Penalty for dog fouling
- 1% Good houses
- 1% Petrol station
- 1% The pub
- 1% Well-kept churchyard
- 1% No vandalism
- 1% No big developments, industrial estates

QUESTION 3: What do you like least about Carlton village?

- 29% Unsympathetic new development, big new houses, threat of further development
- 19% Pig farm smells, pig farm flies, smells in summer
- 15% Fast traffic, lorries through village
- 5% No nucleus or centre to village
- 4% No shop
- 4% Newcomers who do not join in or who try to change village
- 4% Low flying aircraft
- 3% Smoke from bonfires
- 3% Dog fouling
- 2% People knowing everyone else's business
- 2% Lack of community spirit
- 1% Nothing I could grumble about
- 1% No Post Office
- 1% Lack of pavements
- 1% Poor condition of pavements
- 1% Crime rate
- 1% No village hall
- 1% Dangerous parking in Main Street
- 1% Unnecessary and expensive street lighting
- 1% Too many houses at top end of market; should be some for younger people
- 1% High rates
- 1% Unexpected power failures
- 1% Cut off by heavy snow
- 1% Lack of amenities
- 1% Filthy phone box

QUESTION 4: Are there any improvements which you would like to see made to Parish footpaths, pavements or roads? Please specify:

- 29% Pavements need repair, levelling
- 20% None needed
- 3% Just need to be kept in good repair
- 19% New pavements needed; specified as follows -
 - 11% Top of village, garage to bus stop
 - 5% All through village
 - 2% To Bosworth along Bosworth Road
 - 1% By Hall Terrace
- 13% Public footpaths need to be kept clear, waymarked, stiles
- 4% Frontage of council houses needs surfacing
- 13% Controls on parking needed; specified as follows -
 - 4% Banned on road near The Gate
 - 3% Banned all through village
 - 3% Banned in front of church, one or both sides of road
 - 2% Prevented on pavements
- 4% Main Street needs cobbles, sleeping policemen to slow traffic
- 3% Better road surface, stones cleared from road
- 2% Hedges need trimming back
- 2% Improvements needed to Barton Road
- 2% Improvements needed near The Gate Inn
- 1% More street lights needed near The Gate
- 1% Fewer street lights required
- 1% Garages should be provided for houses without them
- 1% Main Street needs levelling
- 1% Install roundabout at Main Street/Bosworth Road junction
- 1% PC to be congratulated on work in hand

QUESTION 5: Would you like to see any new or improved facilities in Carlton?

- 41% None, if we wanted facilities we would move to a town
- 22% Playground, playing field, sports field
- 14% Village hall, community centre
- 11% Village store
- 7% Gas supply installed
- 5% Post Office
- 4% Bigger car park at The Gate
- 4% Shelter for northbound buses
- 3% Ban on lorries through village
- 2% Better bus services
- 1% Village pond
- 1% Public open space
- 1% Video store
- 1% Chinese takeaway
- 1% New village name sign
- 1% More tree planting on verges
- 1% Depends on what it involves

QUESTION 6: At present every community charge payer pays £16 pa to the Parish Council. How much more would you be prepared to pay if the Parish Council provided additional facilities?

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| 36% | No more | 17% | Up to £10 |
| 23% | Up to £5 | 16% | Up to £15 |

QUESTION 7: Would Carlton be a better village if more people lived in it?

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| 80% | No | 11% | Yes | 9% | Don't know |
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QUESTION 8: Would Carlton village benefit from more housing?

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| 82% | No | 9% | Yes | 8% | Don't know |
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QUESTION 9: Would you object if new houses were built behind your house?

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| 93% | Yes | 6% | No | 1% | Don't know |
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QUESTION 10: Which of the following kinds of residential development would you consider acceptable in Carlton village?

- 49% Infilling only
- 44% None at all
- 16% Low-cost starter homes
- 5% Limited back development
- 3% Expansion of the village by thickening centre
- 2% Estate of executive houses
- 2% Expansion of the village by ribbon development

QUESTION 11: Which of the following kinds of commercial development would you consider acceptable?

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| 75% | A village store | 2% | Offices |
| 22% | None at all | 0% | A small factory |
| 11% | Workshops | 0% | An industrial estate |
| 3% | Several shops | | |

QUESTION 12: This area has been earmarked for tourism and leisure. Which of the following would you consider acceptable?

- 56% Bed & breakfast accommodation
- 35% Small picnic sites
- 26% None at all
- 13% Small (10-20 pitch) site for touring caravans
- 3% Golf course
- 3% A small hotel
- 1% A motel
- 0% Large (100 pitch) caravan and camping site

QUESTION 13: Any other comments?

- 23% Carlton should be kept as it is, any development will destroy it
- 4% New development should be in keeping with rest of village
- 4% Chose to live here, was aware of lack of facilities and don't want them
- 3% Should oppose any developments that would bring extra traffic into village
- 3% Would like to see church in better repair
- 3% There is a lack of affordable housing for young people
- 3% There are already two small caravan sites; these are OK but no more
- 2% Carlton needs to be kept rural but families with young children need to be encouraged
- 2% Strongly oppose any recreational development
- 2% No more garden openings - encourages crime
- 2% Post Office is greatly missed
- 2% More publicity, more careful consideration needed for new planning applications
- 1% Parish Council needs to be able to take advantage of opportunities created by new Midlands forest
- 1% Linear form of village should be preserved
- 1% Long term viability of community depends on local jobs
- 1% If villages like ours continue to be spoilt there will soon be nowhere for town dwellers to enjoy and visit
- 1% Families grow up and opinions change - repeat survey or review it at some future date
- 1% 2-3 days before snow ploughs clear roads
- 1% If PC considers development desirable why not allow local people to benefit from it and undertake it by selling shares?
- 1% Quality of life is adversely affected by both change and stagnation: best solution is controlled growth supported by social structure
- 1% Should clear old railway line and develop cycle route like Tissington Trail
- 1% Would move away if there was major development
- 1% Something should be done about sewage from pumping station running into Carlton Brook.