

Arthingworth

Neighbourhood Plan



Questionnaire Analysis

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Neighbourhood Plan

February 2021

The Parish of Arthingworth has 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. Key to this has been the development and dissemination of a community questionnaire.

The questionnaire contains 33 questions and is based on important themes established following initial consultation work by the team leading the Arthingworth Neighbourhood Plan.

The questionnaire took place during January and February of 2021. It was available to complete electronically and as a paper version. The level of response from the community was good, there being 82 responses. This represents a return from over 42% of the adult population, (195 aged 16 plus based on the 2011 Census).

Given that some households choose to respond collectively rather than as individuals; it is also pertinent to consider the number of responses in relation to the number of households in the Neighbourhood Plan area. The number of responses represents the equivalent of up to 85% of the 96 occupied households.

This demonstrates a very good level of commitment to the Neighbourhood Plan by the community and, in turn, adds strength to the validity of the collected views expressed.

Population data taken from 2011 Census

82

responses

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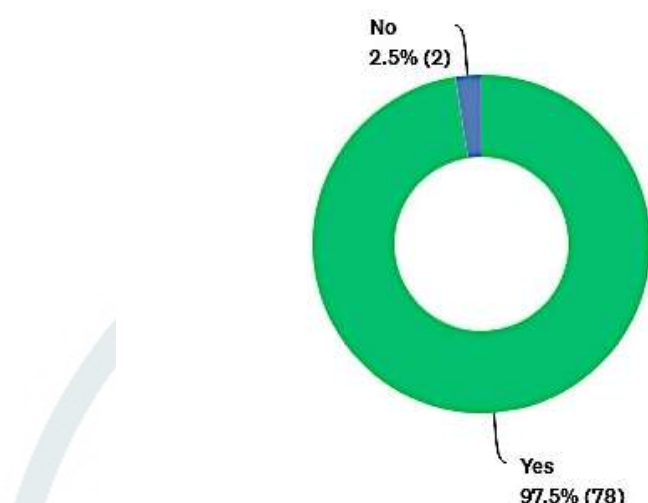
85%

of households

42%

of adult
residents

Q1 Do you agree with this vision for Arthingworth?



There is very strong support from respondents for the proposed vision for Arthingworth (97.5%).

Additional comments appear in the appendix. Some would like more businesses and employment opportunities – others want no more businesses. There is a support for more green spaces and wildlife areas. Also mentioned is sustainable transport and good broadband.

Q2 What do you think is important about Arthingworth? Please rate from 1 (not important) to 5 (very important)

	1	2	3	4	5
Access to countryside	4.94% 4	0.00% 0	2.47% 2	4.94% 4	87.65% 71
Rural location	3.80% 3	1.27% 1	1.27% 1	8.86% 7	84.81% 67
Village character	3.80% 3	2.53% 2	7.59% 6	17.72% 14	68.35% 54
Social interactions	2.53% 2	8.86% 7	12.66% 10	22.78% 18	53.16% 42
Community facilities	6.25% 5	6.25% 5	26.25% 21	17.50% 14	43.75% 35
Local amenities	6.41% 5	7.69% 6	29.49% 23	25.64% 20	30.77% 24

Each option offered by this question is considered important/very important by a majority of respondents. The rural location of the parish (93% important/very important) and access to the countryside (92% important/very important) are the two most important options for respondents.

Additional comments appear in the appendix. These include reference to the pub as key to community spirit and social interaction.

Q3 If you could change one thing about Arthingworth, what would it be?

A wide range of carefully considered comments appears in the appendix.

Areas covered by respondents include the desire for a village amenity space for recreation and a children's play area; a local shop; parking; considerate development and more affordable housing; a call to ban fox hunting and the desire to leave the parish just as it is.

Q4 What concerns do you have about the parish? Not all the items are relevant to the Neighbourhood Plan but will help highlight community concerns in the village. Please rate from 1 (not important) to 5 (very important)

	1	2	3	4	5
Fly Tipping	6.17% 5	1.23% 1	12.35% 10	11.11% 9	69.14% 56
Litter	1.27% 1	11.39% 9	10.13% 8	21.52% 17	55.70% 44
Condition of roads	1.27% 1	13.92% 11	11.39% 9	22.78% 18	50.63% 40
Loss of village character	6.41% 5	6.41% 5	14.10% 11	21.79% 17	51.28% 40
Increased traffic	6.25% 5	8.75% 7	18.75% 15	20.00% 16	46.25% 37
Parking issues	3.80% 3	7.59% 6	22.78% 18	20.25% 16	45.57% 36
Traffic speed	5.00% 4	8.75% 7	21.25% 17	21.25% 17	43.75% 35
Pollution	11.54% 9	16.67% 13	33.33% 26	16.67% 13	21.79% 17
Additional wind farms	23.08% 18	14.10% 11	25.64% 20	17.95% 14	19.23% 15

Of greatest concern is fly tipping 80% and litter 77%

There is a very even divide between those for wind farms and those against. There is not a great deal of concern about pollution. All other options in this question have a majority important/very important.

Additional concerns appear in the appendix. These include speeding traffic and the number of visitors parking in the village. Local flooding and the need for renewable energy production.

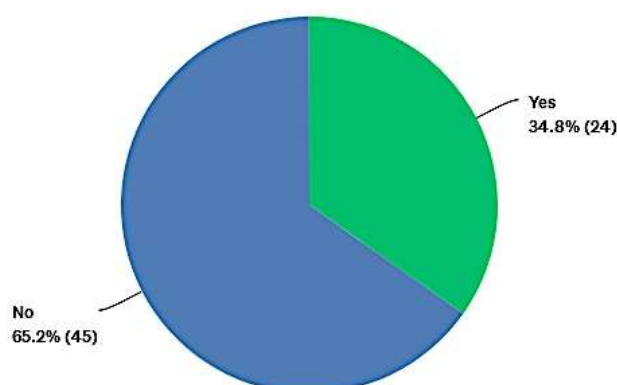
Housing and Development

Q5 The Daventry District Council Local Plan Policy for Arthingworth states that it is a restricted infill village (Site Specific Part 2 Local Plan) within the village boundaries. Do you agree with this policy?



There is very strong support for the Daventry district council local plan policy for Arthingworth. Over 94% of those responding agree with this policy.

Q6 Should the built-up area be extended to accommodate limited growth?



Just under two thirds of those responding to this question disagree that the built-up area within the parish should be extended to accommodate limited growth.

Q7 What type of housing is needed in the village? Please tick all that apply.

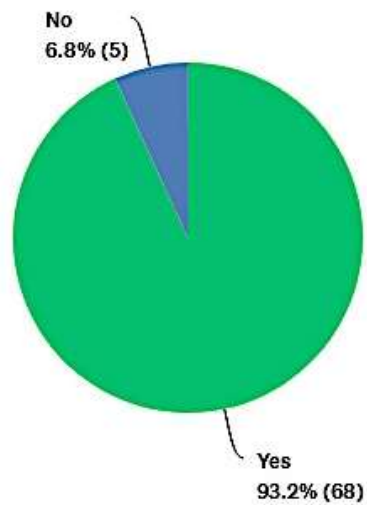
Note - Affordable housing is subsidised housing for sale or rent, for those whose needs are not met by the market usually provided and managed by housing associations.

Small 2/3 Bed Homes	69.35%
Affordable Housing for sale	66.13%
Affordable Housing for rent	45.16%
Bungalows	27.42%
Large Family Homes 4+ Beds	20.97%

More than two thirds of those responding to this question feel that small 2/3 bed homes (69%) and affordable housing for sale (66%) are needed. There is not a majority in support of the remaining options offered by this question.

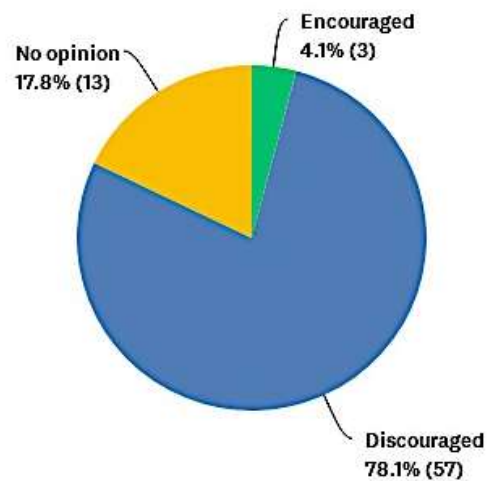
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Q8 Is off-road parking important?



There is strong support amongst respondents for off-road parking 93%.

Q9 Do you think that the subdivision of existing gardens for the building of new houses should be.....



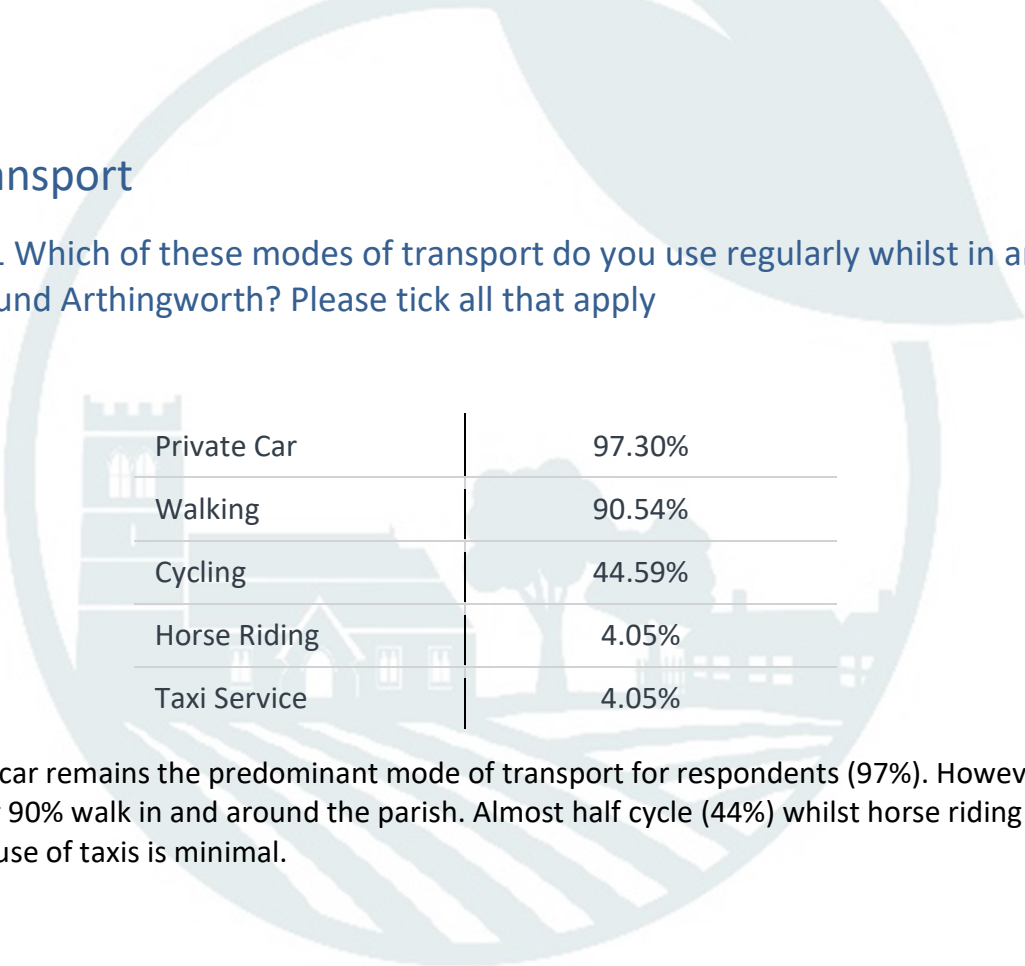
A large majority of respondents, 78% think that subdivision of gardens for the building of new houses should be discouraged. 17% state that they have no opinion, whilst just 4% think that this should be encouraged.

Q10 Are there any buildings in the parish that are important to protect and why?

A full list of responses to this question appears in the appendix. The church, followed by the village hall and then the pub are believed by respondents to be the most important to protect.

Transport

Q11 Which of these modes of transport do you use regularly whilst in and around Arthingworth? Please tick all that apply



Private Car	97.30%
Walking	90.54%
Cycling	44.59%
Horse Riding	4.05%
Taxi Service	4.05%

The car remains the predominant mode of transport for respondents (97%). However over 90% walk in and around the parish. Almost half cycle (44%) whilst horse riding and the use of taxis is minimal.

Q12 For what purpose do you use the modes of transport you have identified? Please tick all that apply

	WALKING	CYCLING	HORSE RIDING	PRIVATE CAR	TAXI SERVICE	PUBLIC TRANSPORT
Leisure/social activities	83.33% 60	48.61% 35	4.17% 3	56.94% 41	1.39% 1	1.39% 1
Other purpose	42.11% 8	26.32% 5	5.26% 1	57.89% 11	0.00% 0	0.00% 0
Travel to work	11.11% 5	6.67% 3	0.00% 0	91.11% 41	2.22% 1	0.00% 0
Shopping	2.74% 2	1.37% 1	0.00% 0	98.63% 72	0.00% 0	0.00% 0
School run	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	80.00% 12	6.67% 1	13.33% 2

Walking is the predominant mode of transport for leisure and social activities. The car dominates for travel to work, for shopping and for the school run. Public transport and taxis are seldom used other than for the school run.

Q13 A total of 155 vehicles are owned by respondents and their household, an average of almost exactly 2 per household.

Q14 Of these, 12 are currently electric or hybrid powered. This is 7.7% of the total number of vehicles – a figure likely to rise significantly during the lifetime of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Q15 A number of respondents appear to have interpreted the number of vehicles that can be parked within the boundary of their property as available parking spaces, rather than number of vehicles currently parked there. A total of 209 vehicles can be parked within the boundary of respondents' properties.

Q16 How important do you think the following would be to improving life in the parish? Please rate from 1 (not important) to 5 (very important).

	1	2	3	4	5
Maintaining condition of road surfaces	5.41% 4	1.35% 1	9.46% 7	20.27% 15	63.51% 47
Controlling the speed of vehicles	5.56% 4	5.56% 4	12.50% 9	18.06% 13	58.33% 42
Maintaining condition of pavements	1.35% 1	6.76% 5	13.51% 10	24.32% 18	54.05% 40
Managing safety risk at junctions	2.82% 2	8.45% 6	22.54% 16	28.17% 20	38.03% 27
Placing limits on HGV and agricultural vehicles	17.65% 12	19.12% 13	20.59% 14	16.18% 11	26.47% 18
Improving availability of community/public transport	8.45% 6	12.68% 9	30.99% 22	23.94% 17	23.94% 17
Making the parish more walker/cycle friendly	13.04% 9	13.04% 9	30.43% 21	18.84% 13	24.64% 17
Improving disability access	6.35% 4	19.05% 12	34.92% 22	17.46% 11	22.22% 14
Provision of electric car charging points	28.57% 20	22.86% 16	22.86% 16	11.43% 8	14.29% 10

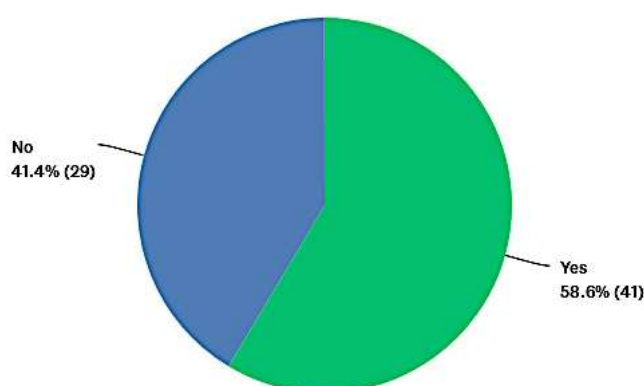
Maintaining the condition of road surfaces is considered important/very important by 83% of respondents. Next in importance are Maintaining the condition of pavements (78%) and Controlling the speed of vehicles (76%). All other options are considered considerably less important. For example, improving disability access (39%), however, disability perhaps only directly affects a small number of respondents, so the low score does not necessarily reflect the level of importance to some. Only 25% believe that the provision of electric car charging points is important/very important – this view could well change during the lifetime of the plan.

Q17 Any other comments you would like to make about transport?

A range of thoughtful comments appears in the appendix. These cover concerns about larger agricultural vehicles, whilst acknowledging the farming heritage of the parish. There is also concern about speeding, the loss of the bus service, HGVs, the condition of roads and pavements.

Business and Amenities

Q18 Would you welcome more businesses in the parish?



Q19 If yes, what type?

A little over half of respondents would welcome more business in the parish. Respondents who specified the type of business they would welcome repeatedly used the word 'small'. Many would welcome a small shop, artisan type businesses and small start-ups.

The full list of responses appears in the appendix.

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Q20 How important are other village amenities to you? Please rate from 1 (not important) to 5 (very important)

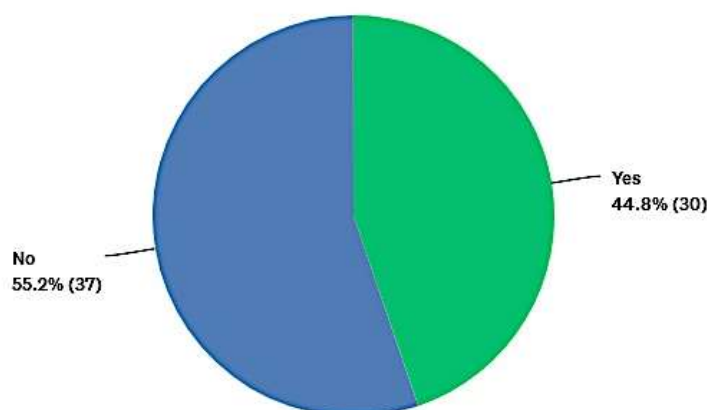
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Pub	8.11% 6	2.70% 2	8.11% 6	18.92% 14	62.16% 46
Village Hall	6.85% 5	6.85% 5	9.59% 7	19.18% 14	57.53% 42
Church	15.71% 11	10.00% 7	12.86% 9	22.86% 16	38.57% 27
Employment sites	39.39% 26	15.15% 10	27.27% 18	6.06% 4	12.12% 8

The pub is the most valued village amenity amongst the options in this question. (81% important/very important). The village hall (76%) is also valued. The church is less valued (61%), whilst employment sites receive the only negative majority response (54% not very important/not important).

Q21 What other facilities would you like to see in the village?

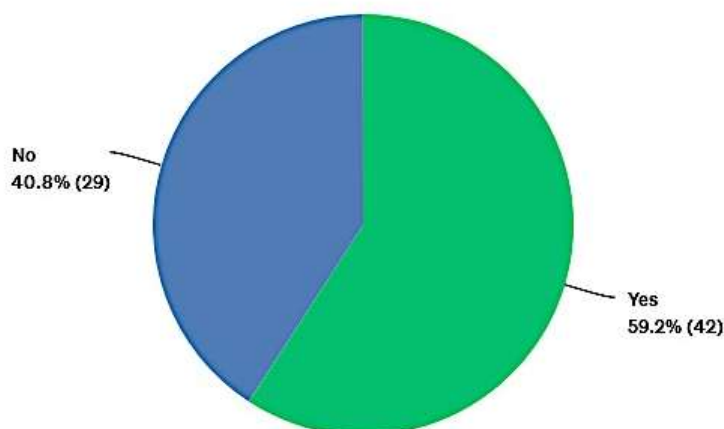
The majority of responses concern a desire for a village shop and for a recreation/children's play area. There is a delightful suggestion for 'a communal fruit orchard managed by volunteers so we could have 'apple day' and fruit for all'. There is mention too of vehicle charging points, facilities for local business and high speed broadband.

Q22 With these facilities and the business attractions in the parish, should we encourage tourism?



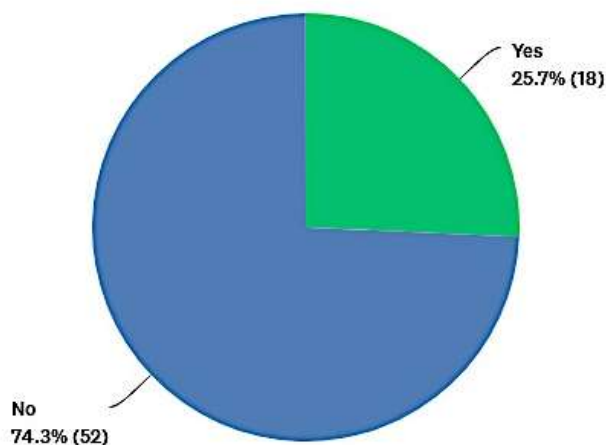
A small majority (56%) is not in support of encouraging tourism.

Q23 Do you regularly work from home?



A majority of parishioners responding to this question confirm that they regularly work from home. This has potential implications for available space within those homes to accommodate homeworking.

Q24 Are you self-employed or employed by a local business within the parish?



Over a quarter of those responding, 18 people, stated that they are self-employed or employed by a local business in the parish. This indicates that there is a considerable amount of economic activity within the parish and a sizable economic community operating and generating wealth.

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Q25 Are there any important open spaces in the village that you would like to see protected and what makes these special?

Responses to this question almost all reference the village green, which is clearly of great importance to many in the parish. It is considered to be a safe place for children and families and there is a desire for more parish events to take place on it.

Other green spaces are mentioned and a full list of responses appears in the appendix.

Questions for Business

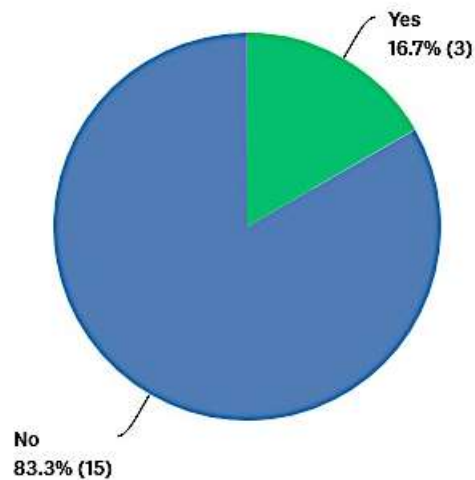
Q26 Why are you based in Arthingworth? Please tick all that apply

Rural location	66.67%
Owner lives locally	40.00%
Cost	13.33%
Car Parking	6.67%
Local demand for product?	0.00%

Additional comments:

- We are a farm
- We are farmers and rent a farm in the village
- It is possible and convenient to work from home.
- No through road means it is a safe place for my child to play
- Lived in Village whole life
- I work remotely and find it convenient to work from home.
- Great access to the rest of the UK

Q27 Are you expecting to expand your business in the next 5 years?



Q28 Are there any improvements to the infrastructure that would help your business (drainage, access etc.)?

- Reduction in the flooding of the river both over the road and fields
- Communal green space that could be used for group exercise classes! An outside space at the village hall would enhance social events
- Drainage, off road parking
- Faster broadband. Service is irregular at present.
- Fibre Broadband
- Better broadband
- Good internet access is essential

Q29 What do you think are the three key issues that our Neighbourhood Plan should address?

A full list of responses appears in the appendix.

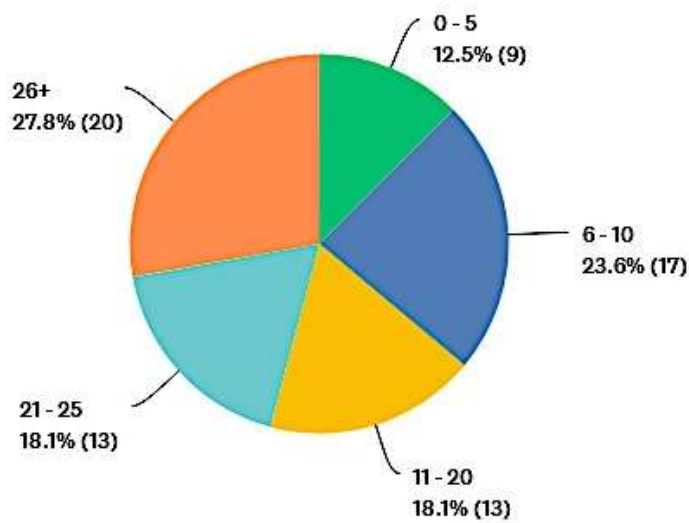
The most frequent responses concern the environment, development, heritage, community facilities, traffic and transport.

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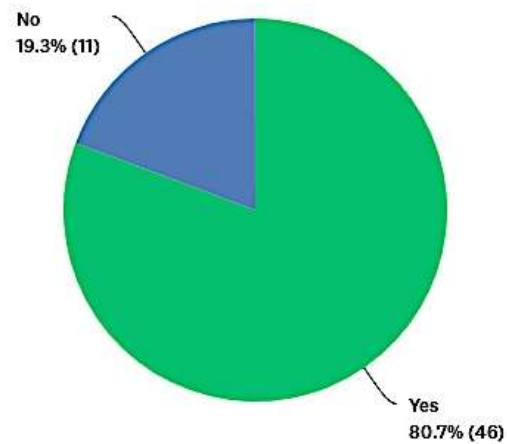
Q30 What is the age group of people in your household? Please indicate the number of people from your household in each age category

0 - 15	17
16 - 18	9
19 - 50	40
51 - 64	49
65 +	52

Q31 How many years have you lived in the parish?



Q33 I would like to be advised of future meetings



Summary

A strong response to the Neighbourhood Plan Community Questionnaire has demonstrated a set of clear concerns and preferences amongst the respondents. This offers a good steer to those actively involved in the development of the Arthingworth Neighbourhood Plan, the wider community and the Parish Council.

These results will become an important part of the evidence gathered to inform and develop the Plan.

Appendix

Q1 Do you agree with this vision for Arthingworth?

- On the whole yes, but no to additional businesses
- On the whole yes, but no to increasing businesses
- This contradicts the development of the lego house opposite Bosworth House - not in keeping, completely spoiling the village.
- Protection of the green spaces
- Increase wild areas to promote biodiversity and protection of endangered wildlife species such as hedgehogs
- Would like to see particular emphasis placed on preservation and expansion of areas for wildlife and natural habitat. Preservation of hedges and woodland is crucial and more field-edge strips should be re-wilded.
- Is there a village plan? or just the parish plan on the back page
- If it means employment, yes
- It is my belief that we also need to secure a sustainable transport plan and have the best broadband possible
- Aware that some of these five points are in tension with others.
- This looks to be an idea.
- More consideration for local small rural businesses to be able to expand and add to the local economy

Q2 What do you think is important about Arthingworth?

- Off the beaten track
- Peace and quiet
- No through road to A508 (5)
- The pub plays a very important part in facilitating community spirit and social interaction.
- We need to make sure that the Kelmarsh Road is not used as a short cut
- Village pub, Movie nights, Village panto
- Vision comment - Why the heck was this (vision) not adhered to when giving permission for the ugly white Tesco's that has been built in the centre of the village? What a joke!

Q3 If you could change one thing about Arthingworth, what would it be?

- More access for walking on the surrounding land
- Better control of dogs
- Gas supply x2
- More use of the village green - although small it could be equipped with some wooden seating around the periphery for villagers and visiting walkers to meet and rest.
- Create a village amenity space
- Improve drainage to stop most of village being permanently wet
- Proximity of Traveller camps
- The speed that some people go at through the village round blind corners

- Have a more frequent mobile shop with everyday items.
- Park or recreation facilities i.e. sports etc.
- There is a proper and safe play area for children x2
- Wish to see fox hunting banned
- I would ban illegal fox hunting
- Any new builds to be small houses or small business units.
- Development opposite Bosworth House
- Quality of road surfaces
- More public access to the Church
- More areas for wildlife
- Have a small local shop x4
- For the council to have greater control and authority in monitoring and enforcing laws regarding fly tipping.
- Any changes or developments in the village to homes or outbuildings is to be kept in line with the look of the village.
- Increasing traffic x2
- Amount of on road parking
- Inconsiderate parking
- Removal of unsightly walls, unnecessary fences/railings within fields and gates across roads that serve no apparent purpose, ruin views and are not in keeping with the character and aesthetics of the village!
- Tidy up the B&B behind the Pub - A strange development eyesore
- Local bus stop
- Disabled access to the countryside
- Housing development to allow us to buy in the area.
- The construction of new dwellings that are completely incompatible with the appearance and spirit of the village
- Remove uncharacteristic buildings!!
- Removal of inappropriate, retrospectively planned structures
- Inappropriate development
- Character of properties
- New developments, which don't match the character of the village and are of modern design and elevated over the village.
- Other comment - Buildings that are in keeping with the village. Pull down the ugly Tesco's. I repeat - who gave permission for that monstrosity??
- Reduce the ease of access to planning permission
- Tighter planning controls for new development, some of which is positively ugly and does not add to the character of the village
- If possible, I would see a coherent architectural style. I think we might agree that if Arthingworth has a very good community spirit (as shown during the pandemic), it is not the most beautiful village despite its bucolic setting. I would prettify the entrance of the village without making them too "fancy" and certainly remove the white gates, which have not aged well. Finally, I would like the parish to be able to buy some land for a small community park for sporting activities and to be able to hold community events.
- More affordable housing x3
- A louder voice for the parish council within the District council, as the Parish council understands the local population and needs

- Improve the road condition Encourage resident to use their off road parking where they have it and thereby keep the main road as clear as possible.
- Condition of roads
- The speed vehicles travel through the Village
- Bus service
- More off road parking for the cars down Kelmarsh Road from the pub
- Like it as it is
- Lovely as it is - even better when the Bulls Head is open
- Nothing x2
- None

Q4 What concerns do you have about the parish? Not all the items are relevant to the Neighbourhood Plan but will help highlight community concerns in the village. Please rate from 1 (not important) to 5 (very important)

- Urban incomers wanting to change the village character
- Increased volume of non-residents visiting village causing parking issues at end of Oxendon Road/ Access to fields, allowing dogs to run over crops and not clearing up any dog fouling.
- Parking issues in our Close as a neighbour does not fully use their driveway. Can block the road sometimes.
- The increased usage of the Tunnels and cycle path has a detrimental effect on the limited car park, with increased litter, (some of which has included evidence of illegal substances), fly-tipping and damage to grass verges with the issue of road safety.
- There is a marked increase of traffic travelling through the village at speeds, which are unsafe. In addition, the current popularity of the Kelmarsh Tunnel on the Brampton Way is causing problem parking on verges when the car park is full, which obstructs the view of traffic travelling at speed of up to 60 MPH to the village from the main road (A508) This accident risk has been raised with Northants council, who have not responded
- That the Braybrooke road not be gated up
- Any development of the village should not include heavy industry, as this is a rural village with the main industry in the past being farming and agriculture.
- In favour of more renewables including wind farms.
- As a community, our overall contribution to global warming - traffic and farming emissions
- Dog litter (poo)
- Loss of footpaths due to over-farming; over-development in some parts of the village placing unviable burden on small roads
- There has been increased parking in the village due to people accessing the BVW especially down the bottom and along the road by BVW car park
- The lack of support for the church, which could ultimately lead to its closure.
- Excessive use of 'field guns' and chemical spraying of crops
- Creation of more Traveller sites nearby

- We already have a traveller site of considerable size in the village and just close to it Justin Park and Greenfields. It is therefore in my opinion that no new traveller site should be allowed in open countryside.
- There is far too much through traffic. "HELL HATH NO FURY LIKE A WOMAN ON THE SCHOOLRUN"
- Local flooding becoming more prevalent

Q10 Are there any buildings in the parish that are important to protect and why?

- Church x21
- Village Hall x15
- Pub x9
- Church - its our heritage
- The Bulls Head The buildings which are listed
- Listed buildings, pub, village hall - as these are the buildings that give the village its historic character.
- All existing buildings to maintain village character
- Pub, Church = Focal points for community activities, and give village character and charm.
- Historical and listed buildings, village amenities (pub and hall) and any that reflect and retain the rural nature of the village.
- Church for obvious historical reasons
- The Pub and village hall - for the community
- All listed buildings, church (We don't wish to see any development whatsoever)
- Village hall - community hub Church - historic, community hub Any buildings older than 100 years - to protect history of village
- Village hall is great facility as is the Church and Pub which all offer valuable community space for socialising and worship
- The church, as it has significant historical value. Also the village hall and pub as they are crucial to social interaction.
- Village hall and pub. These buildings are important since they are the heart of the village and a place where villagers and neighbours congregate and welcome others.
- Village hall community hub Church Ditto Pub Ditto.
- The Church for heritage value; village hall and pub for their community value
- Original Village buildings, Farmhouses large and small. These are the character of the village
- Buildings of historical importance
- The church (because it provides a centre for worship and village festivals); the pub (because it is the main place for villagers to mix socially); and the village hall (because it is used as a venue for many community events - films, pantomimes, exercise classes, etc.).
- Buildings of historic value
- Bosworth House Bulls Head - meeting place

- Future of building of houses should allow enough area to park two cars, to avoid parking on the roads.
- The older brick/stone properties - they have more character than modern buildings
- Pre WW11 buildings - they are the backbone of the character of the village
- Those buildings that already have listed status
- We already have all the listed buildings. I would like to see our agricultural heritage to be protected to such an extent that an agricultural barn stays an agricultural barn but is this allowed?
- Farm Houses,
- Villages original 'core' buildings; 'protection' includes restrictions on adjacent areas. These buildings are a key element in the village's character.
- Church - Historic and Religious importance Village Hall - Community events Village Pub - facilities
- The Pub - The Bulls Head - its all there is
- All currently listed buildings x2
- Church, important as a place of worship for the community and as a historical building Pub is the hub of the community and should be supported as a business Village hall, the only indoor community space for all to use
- Anything older than 1900
- Yes. Historical buildings e.g. church, Manor, Bosworth house. Village heritage.
- All of the older, red brick cottages/ houses. Some have already been butchered beyond belief ie. xxxxx house
- Church and Pub for those who enjoy one or both
- Listed buildings in village to preserve our heritage

Q17 Any other comments you would like to make about transport?

A range of thoughtful comments appears in the appendix. These cover concerns about larger agricultural vehicles whilst acknowledging the farming heritage of the parish. There is also concern about speeding, the loss of the bus service, HGVs, the condition of roads and pavements.

- Cars being parked on pavements stopping people who use wheelchairs having access and people with pushchairs being forced out into road.
- Speed of all vehicles through the village is already controlled
- Speed cameras may be beneficial
- Improved bus services might be beneficial to some
- Local bus service would be beneficial and more environmentally-friendly if it could enable less car use
- I would welcome the reintroduction of public transport, which was cut in 2018. It is an arduous walk of at least 30 minutes to the nearest bus stops.
- Agricultural contractor tractors can be a problem in the village
- 2 Specifically applies to huge industrial farming equipment/ vehicles that often 'thunder' through the village at breakneck speeds. It doesn't apply to the smaller farm vehicles and tractors which go at a much more appropriate speed.

- More consideration for Farmers who work hard every day to provide food we all eat. Considerate road parking to allow easy access for their machinery thro village. Not parking in gateways/ field entrances. Keeping to footpaths and not on crops in field or allowing dogs in fields where there is livestock
- Agricultural vehicles should not be limited in number, but their speed should be when going through the village
- I recognise the rural nature of the village and the fact that agri vehicles are a necessary part of daily life - but there are some van drivers etc. who definitely do not follow speed limits and drive recklessly through the village on a daily basis.
- Passing is difficult and potholes are now a serious problem, Braybrooke road gates should not really be closed as arable
- Pavements are appalling at the moment; they need repairing.
- The road by the Church is quite hazardous for cyclists and pedestrians
- Without lowered curbs at junctions, our mobility scooter has to use the road and negotiate parked cars and potholes.
- The comment about agricultural traffic speed is not related to the 'Handy's' it is the other tractors that go far too fast through the village to reach their fields. It is an accident waiting to happen.
- Additional enforcement of speed restrictions is not necessary. Vehicles cannot speed in the village because of all the cars parked at the side of the road, which force drivers to slow down.
- Electric points should be on private property, what motorists would want to charge up in evenings - chaos
- Perhaps traffic calming measures between bridge and The Hawthorns. Designated passing places on single track roads
- As we are a rural community, I think we should address weight restrictions on HGV in the village but as far as the speed of agricultural vehicles is concerned I believe that our farmers are responsible enough and love their village, so there is no need to impose this.
- Sometimes very large agricultural vehicles, some with caterpillar tracks, fail to slow down and mount pavements and verges causing structural damage.
- HGV and agricultural vehicles (9.2). These are not the same, the former is a curse, the latter includes local businesses.
- HGV are damaging road surfaces and grass verges due to property development
- Too many cars speed into the village and cut the corner just before the bridge into the village
- The village is historically a farming village and agriculture is still the main and important industry to husband and maintain the lovely countryside we all enjoy so you cannot restrict the agricultural vehicles using the village but we should restrict as much as possible the HGV throughput as the roads are not built for these vehicles and the need for them to use the road through the village should be discouraged.
- Reclaim the grass verges around the village that highways Northamptonshire seem to be stealing bit by bit.
- A lack of working road side drains, and water leaks reduce the quality of the road network - I have communicated with Anglian Water and DCC to get the leaks and drains unblocked

Q19 If yes, what type of business would you welcome?

- SMALL
- Small business with low traffic impact
- The type that doesn't detract from character of the village or bring a significant increase in traffic.
- Small business
- Coffee shop (would consider mobile) Milkman Bakery Local produce
- Bakery, butcher etc.
- Small artisan type
- Small business park type businesses. Not industrial/
- Small businesses only i.e. coffee shop, but nothing that would affect the existing businesses (i.e. pub)
- Provided they complimented village life and were not heavy industry, which caused an increase in the volume of HGV traffic through the village.
- Small start-ups. No warehousing.
- Small retail businesses of a sustainable/ environmentally friendly nature
- That benefit Arthingworth residents
- Local produce supply a weekly food shop in village has started and should be encouraged
- A small convenience grocery shop
- Village shop and post office only
- Just small village shop
- Rural base, Farm producing type.
- Amenity shop
- Café, Local shop
- Plumbers, Electricians, Painters
- Any
- Start ups, home working hub?
- Small size, not industrial
- Any type not involving heavy goods vehicles.
- Impossible to answer without qualification. Some businesses are effectively invisible, others are not. Business deliveries to homes have been a real change.
- Those that can work without the need for an industrial estate
- A shop
- Office based
- Unsure but open to suggestions i.e. Country House hotel
- Artisan, light industrial
- Small independent local businesses which have rural / countryside concern
- Artisans, village shop, restaurant, cottage industry
- Retail, craft
- Work from home/ small business.
- Shop, small office accommodation, small farming businesses
- A small convenience shop
- Any independent business would be good.
- Small niche businesses

Q21 What other facilities would you like to see in the village?

- Small shop (bakery, butcher)
- A shop x4
- Small shop x2
- Small shop maybe
- Village store
- Village shop/ Post office
- Shop (although unlikely)
- Small shop (run by locals maybe),
- Facilities for small businesses to grow
- Park/ Recreation ground for leisure e.g. tennis court, for village fairs, activities.
Lots of accessible footpaths
- Sports facility i.e. tennis, football, park for kids
- Cricket Field and other recreation facilities.
- Post office - perhaps?
- Carbon neutral village hall and church. Playground for young people and children.
- A communal fruit orchard managed by volunteers so we could have 'apple day' and fruit for all.
- Park for children to play in, re-use of Village Green?
- Play area for children
- Safe play area for children
- Café, Local shop
- Continuation of the mobile shop
- A sports field, so that people can exercise safely. At the moment young people play on the streets, which exposes them to danger from traffic. A sports field would ideally include a football pitch/goals, a cricket pitch and a tennis court.
- Proper cricket club; nice safe playground for young children
- Cafe facilities for walkers/cyclists to meet
- Designated amenity land for e.g. meeting/ playground
- Play area for youngsters
- Child play area - funding available? Cycle routes
- Recreation area for youngsters
- Children's play area
- Play ground,
- Play area for small children
- A sport field with children play area, basket hoop, tennis, cricket. A open meeting place
- Facilities for young people and families such as sports facilities and a children's playground.
- Electric vehicle charge points in the village hall car park would be welcome
- Infrastructure to support car charging.
- Proper high-speed fibre-optic internet/ broadband connection.
- Ref q22 To support local business and respect the village
- None x2
- Not necessary

Q25 Are there any important open spaces in the village that you would like to see protected and what makes these special?

- Village Green x8
- The Village Green and all of the surrounding farm fields. This adds to the beauty of the village. It remains peaceful and rural.
- Village green good meeting/playing area and central
- Village "green" on Oxendon Road for aesthetic/community reasons
- No housing on the limited "Village Green"
- Village Green, a village needs a centre. The village development boundary to be the limit. No external buildings to existing building profile.
- Village green in Oxendon Rd - good for families with small children to play in
- Village green - safe place for children.
- Village green as it provides a break in the strip development along road
- Area at the junction of Hall close and Oxendon Road as well as the open space opposite. These are significant open areas at the centre of the village.
- Oxendon Road
- Village green - which could be used more for village events (COVID-19 allowing).
- The grassed area opposite Hall close - this could be used for village events
- Open spaces are important - but I wouldn't go as far as encouraging the development of a playground as I'm sure this may become a target for antisocial behaviour.
- The green. Small but it is a shared village space
- Village green as the children play there and there are lovely trees and a seat
- Green opposite Hall Close.
- Village green for children to play Disused tennis courts adjacent to Bosworth House - full of wildlife including Owls.
- Village green - good place for adults and/ or children to meet/ play. Small areas of grass at top of Hall close - give an open, "non-crowded" feel to area.
- Any grass areas - Village green. (1 grass area with 20years of biomass has been lost to crop)
- Village green - unofficial - opposite Hall close would be a super area to maintain for social events
- Where there are existing public rights of way.
- Green space opposite Hall Close x2
- The 'green' but this could become more of a focal point for the village e.g have a village Christmas tree. Field close to the village that are not over farmed.
- Village Green - social area for all ages
- The village green on Oxendon Road and the fields and water-meadows around the village should be protected.
- "Green" on Oxendon road - only place to sit/ meet, play games.
- Does the new owner of the land round the village intend any big changes? The cricket pitch and pavilions were not wanted it seems. Would an area behind the council houses be wanted for a playing field and open space?
- The land bordering Sidom's Ford, including the ponds near the road bridge - important corridor for wildlife
- The village green and Oxendon Rd where it leads through the fields to the Brampton Way

- The village green and the entrance of the village after the bridge
- Is the cricket field part of the village? The village needs a sports field
- See earlier answers re 'core buildings'. Open spaces within the village are important part of the village's character. Local access points to the countryside and leisure and the BVW formal and informal car parking.
- Village Green - An open area for people to use
- The Green Access to Brampton Valley Way
- Village Green and existing green belt
- Green space at end of Hall Close should be protected.
- Brampton valley and Village green
- The village green. Although only small, in summer it is used by children for playing and walkers to take a short break.
- Brampton Valley Way is excellent for walking and cycling and supports the local economy
- Oxendon Road village green.
- The green - place for children to play, but it's privately owned. One day I expect it will be sold for building land.
- All open spaces in the village should be protected to preserve the rural character of the village
- The village green, which could be made more welcoming
- The small field by the river and bridge on the Desborough side of the village by the nursery as this is a lovely little field and perfect for dog walking.
- No, None x2, None at present

Q26 Why are you based in Arthingworth?

Please tick all that apply

- We are farmers and rent a farm in the village
- Possible and convenient to work from home.
- No through road means safe place for my child to play
- Farm
- Lived in Village whole life
- I work remotely and find it convenient to work from home.
- Great access to the rest of the UK

Q28 Are there any improvements to the infrastructure that would help your business (drainage, access etc.)?

- Reduction in the flooding of the river ISE both over the road and fields.
- Communal green space that could be used for group exercise classes! An outside space at the village hall would enhance social events
- Drainage, off road parking
- Faster broadband. Service is irregular at present.
- Fibre Broadband
- Better broadband
- Good internet access is essential

Q29 What do you think are the three key issues that our Neighbourhood Plan should address?

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- Fly Tipping
- Environment (protecting areas of importance);
- Protecting the Environment
- Parking off road
- Drainage
- Housing x2
- Loss of grass = increase in 'green desert' of crops
- Transport (the village is a rat run to Desborough)
- Heritage Assets x5
- Heritage
- Road conditions
- Appropriate housing development that protects the village nature of Arthingworth
- Employment x2
- Fly tipping
- Transport x4
- Environment x17
- Protecting the Village Environment
- Residents building without permission and applying retrospectively
- Transport - Parking on the corner near the village hall
- Damage to verges along single tracks mainly caused by oversized vehicles and delivery vehicles.
- Speeding "Rat run" traffic
- Traffic speed
- Development (and therefore transport)
- Development x12
- Development control - avoid over-development and ensure new developments are in keeping with character of village
- Development , including housing
- Development - ensure character of village is protected
- Development - Affordable rental for the next generation
- Development and planning. NO MORE TESCOS!
- Sympathetic Development with a purpose to suit community
- Protecting against development
- Preventing further development
- Getting a shop
- Community
- Community facilities

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- Development x8
- Development, including housing
- Appropriate and sympathetic development
- Development - No planning to be allowed for industrial units

- Protection of current facilities & appropriate development
- Maintaining community assets
- Heritage assets i.e. the Manor and surroundings
- Environment x11
- Protecting the Environment
- Protecting the environment and flooding issues
- Community facilities x13
- Traffic through village including agricultural contractors
- Stopping flipping - Stricter measures
- Traffic management
- Transport x2
- Community x2
- Community transport options
- Maintenance and availability of public footpaths and access to countryside
- Infill planning to be in keeping/ appropriate
- Ensure village hall and pub are viable
- Preservation of rural areas
- Provide community amenities for young people
- Heritage Assets x5
- Heritage x4
- Housing
- Travellers - We have all the Travellers in the Country here!
- Fly tipping
- Retail outlets
- Local food outlet (e.g. cafe)
- Litter
- A mirror on the junction by the church so you can see what is around the corner

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- Transport x8
- Traffic management measures x3
- Traffic management - Nursery has increased traffic
- Limit traffic
- Better upkeep of roads within and approaching the village
- Environment x3
- Protecting Community facilities, in particular for the elderly
- Community x4
- Communities asset
- Community events in village hall, church and pub
- Access to countryside
- Protecting rurality
- Community facilities x8
- Facilities
- Fly tipping a big problem
- Roads
- Cycling routes

- Heritage x5
- Heritage assets x6
- Development; if any
- Development x6
- Provide mixed tenure of housing including some that is affordable.
- Future development i.e. housing
- Ideas to encourage resident youngsters to remain in the village as they grow into adulthood
- Housing development - must be sympathetic
- Planning
- No green field development
- Un-authorized building.
- Employment
- Better drainage systems for the river so that it does not flood



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