

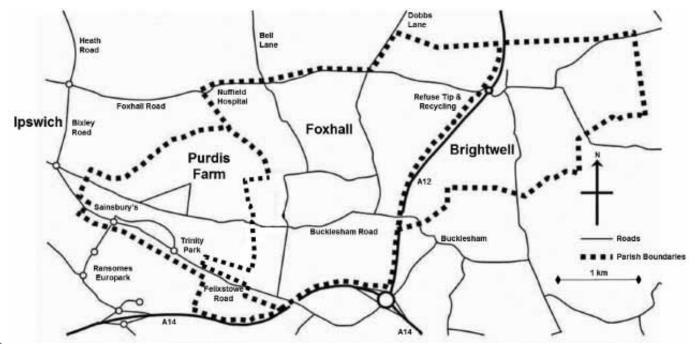
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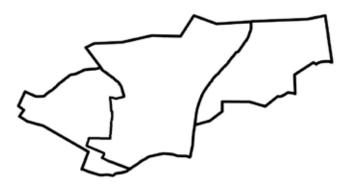
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Introduction

What is a Parish Plan?

A Parish Plan is a snapshot in time of our community's character and identity and includes priorities for action on the issues that matter most to residents.

It is an authoritative record of the community's views, which will hopefully influence those making decisions about how our money is spent and how developments are planned.

The essential characteristic of the Parish Plan is that it is based on local views and should be respected as it identifies the issues that matter most, to local people. It offers a real opportunity for our voices to be heard about what's needed to make Brightwell, Foxhall and Purdis Farm even better places to live, however small some of those improvements might seem.

How was the Plan developed?

The original idea to develop a Parish Plan was embraced enthusiastically by local people at an annual meeting of the Group Parish Council in 2009. It was then developed by a Parish Plan Working Group consisting of local residents, starting with a series of public meetings.

Every local resident and business was then given the opportunity to say exactly what they value most, via the household, business and youth questionnaires which were distributed to around 1,100 properties. We received 508 responses and, building on these, the Parish Plan was developed. Regular reports on progress were provided at the Group Parish Council meetings.

Since the questionnaires were distributed time has passed and technology has changed so some questions and responses are no longer valid such as those relating to TV and radio reception and internet access. Also, some issues have already been addressed through the combined efforts of residents and the Group Parish Council and other parties.

Who is the Plan for?

It's for everyone concerned about the future of Brightwell, Foxhall and Purdis Farm. It can also be used by Suffolk Coastal District Council, who has a statutory obligation to consult the views of the community when taking any decisions on issues (especially development) that will affect our parishes.

What's in the Plan?

The Plan contains a summarised view of all the questionnaire responses received for each of the three parishes. This information gives a detailed insight into the views and opinions of local residents.

The combined responses were analysed to identify the main areas of concerns for residents that could be realistically addressed, subject to the relevant support and resources being available. These main areas of concern were then summarised into six key action points which are also shown below with suggested groups that we believe should be responsible for addressing them.

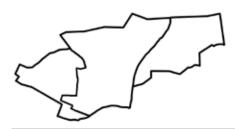
What happens next?

The publication of the Parish Plan is not the end of a process, but the next step. Making change happen will need sustained commitment and effort so that the priorities and other recommendations are acted upon. Some of these will require the support of volunteers and community groups.

How can I get involved?

We hope that as many residents and businesses as possible will continue to volunteer to help the Group Parish Council which will provide leadership and coordinate people's priorities for improvement. Information on how to get involved in areas that interest you will be on the Parish Plan website:

http://brightwellfoxhallandpurdisfarm.onesuffolk.net



A short history of the three parishes

Brightwell

Brightwell means bright or clear spring or well, and it may have been a holy well with healing powers. The village is situated around the Mill River, which forms a splash at the bottom of the valley. The bridge and road were built in the late 1920s, curving past the old smithy. John Constable's painting, from 1828 or 1829, shows the village and church looking much as it does today.

The church is dedicated to St John the Baptist, and dates from the 1300s, with repairs undertaken in about 1656 by Thomas Essington, of Brightwell Hall. The Hall was later the home of Sir Samuel Barnardiston MP, leader of the Suffolk Whigs and a deputy Governor of the East India Company, but was demolished in 1730.

Foxhall

Not surprisingly, Foxhall (or Foxhole) means fox's burrow.

The parish church of All Saints, to the north of Mill River, was in ruins by the mid-16th century and Foxhall became an ecclesiastical hamlet to Brightwell in 1530.In Victorian times, there were two beerhouses – the Waddling Duck, owned by the Cobbolds (as was much of the land in the parish, including 22 acres of hop grounds); and the Shepherd and Dog. The parish boundary with Nacton ran through the middle of the pub, which was demolished when the road to Felixstowe was widened.

Orwell Park and 30,000 acres were bought in about 1850 by Colonel Tomline, and inherited by Captain Ernest George Pretyman in 1889. The houses on the north side of Bucklesham Road were built post-1920 on land sold by the Broke Hall Estate.

The population has always been small – in 1086 there were just 20 people, rising to 150 people by 1801. By the turn of the last century, there were 122 people of voting age living in about 64 houses.

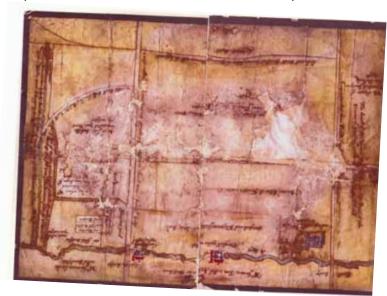
An early map of the Mill River

Purdis Farm

The name is thought to be derived from the ancient (and long since gone) church of St Petronilla. In the early 20th century, Purdis Farm was part of the Broke Hall Estate. Around 1925, Captain Saumarez, the owner, sold nearly 1,500 acres of the Estate in the Purdis Farm and nearby parishes. The following year, 217 acres were sold to Ipswich Golf Club, who called it Purdis Heath. In 1954 and in 1957 the Golf Club sold off parcels of land along their Bucklesham Road frontage for housing development.

Adjoining the golf course is Purdis Heath, listed by English Nature as a Site of Special Scientific Interest. The parish church is St Augustine's, at the beginning of Bucklesham Road.

Although the three parishes are adjoined they are disparate as each has a uniquely different character and population. Consequently the responses to the Parish Plan questionnaires reflect these differences. Although there was a large spread of opinion there are clearly some subjects and issues which are of greater concern than others as these appear more than once in the responses and are common across two or more parishes.



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Action number	Area of concern	What actions to be taken and how	Who should action?
Action point 1	Speeding traffic, traffic congestion and increasing numbers of HGV vehicles on country roads featured very highly across a number of questionnaire responses.	Much work has already been done in relation to speeding traffic especially in the Murrills Road area. As a result of police spot checks it was identified that the majority of vehicles exceeding the speed limit were actually local residents so all local households were issued with advisory leaflets. Further actions: Continue to work with the local police in addressing issues of speeding traffic. Investigate weight/width restrictions on 'C' class roads where not suitable for HGV traffic. Continue to report issues relating to increased traffic volume and congestion to SCC Highways & SCDC & IBC Planning especially in light of recent and proposed retail and housing developments adjacent to, and within, the parishes.	Residents Police GPC IBC SCC SCDC
Action point 2	Residents are concerned that pavements, footpaths & hedgerows are not being maintained and that the dog fouling of footpaths needs to be addressed.	 Residents should report issues either to the Parish Clerk or directly to SCDC, for resolution. Update GPC website and notice boards with information on how residents can report issues. The GPC could benefit from having a nominated person or persons to monitor the condition of footpaths and hedgerows Investigate possibility of footpath maps being available on the GPC website. Investigate possibility of additional dog waste bin in Bucklesham Road near entrance to Bobs Meadow/Purdis Heath where dog walkers park their cars. 	GPC SCDC Residents
Action point 3	The amount of litter and instances of fly-tipping on local roads is a serious concern.	 Fly-tipping is an eyesore, an environmental issue and a prosecutable offence, issues must be reported (through) to SCDC for immediate action. Update GPC website and notice boards with information on how residents can report issues. Litter needs to be monitored on a continual basis; we could consider Community Service resources to address specific areas as they arise. 	Residents GPC SCDC Community Services

Key: GPC = Group Parish Council, SCDC = Suffolk Coastal District Council, IBC = Ipswich Borough Council, SCC = Suffolk County Council

Action number	Area of concern	What actions to be taken and how	Who should action?	
Action point 4 The area does not have a Community Centre which means that there is no focal point for the community or local events amenity.		 The addition of a community centre could have a very positive effect on the area by creating a focal point to bring people together and create more of a community spirit. GPC and residents to highlight the need for a Community Centre with SCDC and developers at every opportunity in light of proposed housing developments within the parishes. 	GPC SCDC Residents Developers	
Action point 5	The impact of encroaching industrial development and associated light and noise pollution concerns featured highly in responses.	The concerns of industrial development and light pollution relate to two areas: Ransomes Europark - this impacts residents in Felixstowe Road/Purdis Farm areas. Issues have already been raised with the GPC in relation to noise pollution and disturbed sleep. The GPC should establish a working relationship with IBC planning and development control to ensure that the lives of residents are not adversely impacted through the further development of Ransome Europark. Valley Works - this impacts residents in the 'Foxhall 2' area. A number of concerns have already been raised over the development of this site by the GPC. The continued development of this site needs careful monitoring due to its location and the narrow roads that serve the area.	GPC IBC SCDC Residents	
Action point 6	Crime, personal security and burglaries are a concern for residents primarily in Purdis Farm.	Although overall crime levels are low across the three parishes there are some specific areas where there are repeated incidents of a similar nature involving opportunistic theft. This is generally through premises and vehicles being left unsecured and with valuables on display. Residents have indicated they would like an increase in police foot patrols. • Continue to remind residents about keeping premises secure via leafletting and the GPC website and working with the Police. • We need to recognise that increased foot patrols are unlikely in light of recent budget cuts. • The Public must report suspicious persons/vehicles via the non-emergency number 101 or 999 if they require the Police to attend.	GPC Police Residents Neighbourhood Watch	

Introduction

Brightwell, the most sparsely populated of the three parishes, is wholly rural. At the time of the survey there were 20 occupied residential properties in the parish, with 38 persons named on the electoral roll; however, only eight households returned questionnaires. None of the households has mains drainage, and just seven of the eight have mains water. All have electricity and five have a broadband connection.

Question 3 asked about vehicle ownership and the numbers held at each property; in summary:

Vehicle Type	Total owned
Bicycle	4
Domestic Car	8
Domestic Van	0
Motorbike	0
Mobility Scooter	1
Commercial Car	0
Commercial Van	3

Question 4 identified that the mobility scooter is kept inside the home, with other vehicles kept in a garage or shed, or parked off-road nearby, except for two of the vans parked elsewhere (presumably at the workplace).

The responses to Question 6 indicated that the eight households comprise eight females and seven males.

Question 7 responses showed that nine of these are aged between 50 and 69 (60%): the youngest three are in their thirties with the two most elderly in their seventies.

The answers to Question 8 showed that of the 15 people, three have lived in the parish for over 51 years; five between 21 and 50 years; and five less than 10 years.

Question 9 responses identified that the aspect of most importance to them about their parish is the countryside and rural environment and the peace and quiet and the community. Highly rated are footpaths and walking: access to Ipswich and to the A12 and A14 is important. Of least importance is the lack of a pub and a supermarket.

The answers to Question 10 can best be represented as follows due to the small number of returns:

- Seven of the respondents are retired, two are in full-time employment, three are in part-time employment and two are self-employed, each running a business in the parish. One is in part-time education
- Four are carers for a member of their household
- Four do not travel to a place of work or study, one travels 1 to 3 miles to work, four travel between 4 and 10 miles, two travel over 10 miles



Issue Background/Commentary

Action to be Taken

ENVIRONMENT - Questions 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20 and 21

Q14 Recycling

All households recycle via the roadside collection and at the Foxhall tip: one also elsewhere. All keep a compost heap



None

Q15 People are concerned
about smell, traffic noise and
hedgerow maintenance

Five respondents cite smell pollution as a problem in the parish

Residents should report this to SCDC Environmental Health Department if it is a major problem although we do not know what the source of the smell is

Four complain of traffic noise

Traffic volumes and noise is a recurring issue throughout the responses

Three are concerned about hedgerow maintenance

Hedgerow maintenance is a recurring concern throughout the responses. Appropriate contact numbers for SCDC should be on the GPC website and notice boards

Two find light pollution and fly tipping a problem

Residents should report such incidents to SCDC Environmental Health and Services Departments

Q16 Residents want to see hedges and trees maintained and woodland preserved

Residents give high priority to maintaining existing hedges and trees and woodland conservation as ways of improving the countryside and wildlife in the parish. They also wish for reinstatement of wild flower verges and heath land conservation, together with planting more trees and more hedges

Contact and consult with local farmers and land owners, and for verges the Local Authority.

Attempt to activate voluntary groups which have particular environmental/ecological interests

Q17 13% of residents are interested in preserving or improving the environment

Of the fifteen respondents two declared a willingness to help in improving the environment

Consider how best to contact, engage and organise the people that are interested if and when suitable opportunities arise

BRIGHTWELL

Household Responses

Issue

Q18 Residents want maintenance of footpaths improved

Background/Commentary

They would like to see further marking and maintenance of public footpaths and rights of way together with maps and walk leaflets. They would also like cycle

paths and footways.

Action to be Taken

Co-operation needed from local landowners and the local authority. The Parish Council could be instrumental in initiating this.

Q19 Residents want HGV traffic reduced, litter removed and verges tidied



Roadside verges figure high on the concerns of this particular group, anxious for measures to reduce HGV traffic and measures to reduce damage to the verges; to reduce and remove litter quickly; to establish a maintenance programme to promote wildlife and keep the verges tidy.

National Government and Local Authorities could make it easier to control/restrict on minor/unsuitable roads. This would need the support of local and national politicians.

Q20 Allotments and Play areas

There is minimal interest in allotments, and less for a play area - which is probably a reflection of the population profile of the parish.

None

Q21 The majority of residents believe the quality of the local environment has become worse over time

Thirteen of the fifteen respondents feel that the quality of the environment now, compared with when they first came to the parish, to be unchanged or worse; two think it is better.

This is something that should concern the Group Parish Council.

The reasons behind the answers to this question can probably be found within the responses to other questions in this document.

LAW and ORDER - Questions 22 & 23

Q22 & Q23 People are primarily concerned about speeding traffic

The most significant issue in the area of crime and antisocial behaviour is speeding traffic. The main grouping of houses in the parish is just above the flood plain on both sides of the Mill River, approached by a steep curving hill in both directions – a permanent hazard. There is a 30 mile speed limit, but this is regularly ignored.

(Burglary and theft from cars is also of some concern although this may be a fear rather than a reaction to actual recent crimes).

Request more frequent random speed tests in the parish. Flashing speed signs, although installed in Purdis Farm, are not supported by SCC Highways as believed ineffective.

Issue Background/Commentary

Action to be Taken

DEVELOPMENT and PLANNING - Questions 24 - 26

Q24 - 26 The majority do not want new houses built in the village

There is a strong feeling that no new houses should be built in the village, and ideally the opinions of residents should be taken into account when planning applications are reviewed and only small-scale controlled development should be considered. Any large scale developments would clearly be in direct opposition to the majority of residents.

If there were new developments these should be for local families and the elderly But if there were to be new builds these should be detached, bungalows, cottages, terraced or semi-detached in this order of acceptability. These to be predominantly for people with a local connection and for families and the elderly.

Reflect these views in any responses to future planning applications. However under



current planning legislation it is unlikely that opinions would be taken into consideration.

Again, the wishes of residents should be considered to retain the existing look and feel that the parish and its individual areas has. But under current planning legislation it is unlikely that opinions would be taken into consideration.

COMMUNICATIONS and INFORMATION - Questions 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 & 32

Q27 The Parish Website

Only two people said they have visited the parish website – eleven have not. It is possible that they do not realise that the Parish has a website, or do not know how to access it.

Promote the GPC website on future communications.

Q28 Contacting vital people and services

From the fifteen people who completed the questionnaire, seven know how to contact the village hall booking clerk and eight how to contact a parish councillor – (at the time of the questionnaire this would have been one and the same person).

Five people know how to contact a local religious leader or a church warden. But just one for each know how to contact the Member of Parliament, European Parliament, or the neighbourhood watch co-ordinator.

Three know how to contact the district councillor and the county councillor, the water, emergency service and the local police; two know how to contact the parish clerk, and the gas emergency service although there is no gas in the village.

Promote various contact numbers on the GPC website.

BRIGHTWELL

Household Responses

Issue

Background/Commentary

Action to be Taken

Q29 Attending a parish council meeting

Three people have attended a Parish Council meeting out of general interest.

Recent experience has shown that people will attend if specific issues such as major planning developments or local issues are being discussed.

Q30 Opinion on Parish Council performance

The answers are best represented in a table:

None



	Publicises Its Activities/ Decisions Well	Is Open and Accessible	Overall Does A Good Job	Spends The Precept Wisely	Publicises Planning Applications Well	Publicises Parish Council Meeting Minutes Well	Publicises Parish Council Meeting Minutes Well
Strongly Disagree							
Disagree	2				4	2	2
No opinion		2	4	2			1
Agree	1	3		1	1	1	
Strongly agree			1				

Around 60% of those responding neither strongly agree or disagree in their opinions of the parish council's performance

Q31 Residents ask for more publicity of the Annual Parish Meeting

Seven people asked for more publicity, but this was tried previously by leafleting every household as well as posters on the notice boards advertising on the website and word of mouth, but there was no improvement.

As mailing individual households with Annual Parish Meeting information has not resulted in any real numbers of people attending this should probably be ceased as a waste of time, effort and public money.

The meetings should continue to be promoted on the notice boards and the website.

Q32 Respondents are not interested in advertising on the Parish Council Website or Newsletter

Businesses are only interested in advertising on websites which attract a high volume of visits in order to justify any investment. The GPC newsletter is infrequent and not professionally produced.

None

Issue Background/Commentary

Action to be Taken

SERVICES and UTILITIES - Questions 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 & 38

Q33 Asked parishioners to rate a variety of services and utilities

Due to the volume and spread of the answers the information is best presented None in a table:

	Recycling Facilities	Refuse Collection	Postal Service	Roadside care/street cleaning	Winter Weather Service (eg grtting)		Digital TV reception		Radio reception	Internet broadband connection
Very Poor	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	1
Poor	4	0	3	3	2	0	0	0	0	4
No Opinion	0	0	0	5	3	2	2	3	2	3
Good	1	0	5	1	5	6	6	8	5	0
Very Good	5	3	2	0	0	2	2	1	4	2

There seem to be contrasting views on recycling facilities, which all claim to use the Foxhall tip. Broadband connection appeared to be a bit of a problem.

Q34 A very small minority
of Brightwell residents have
found it difficult to access
medical services

One person only for each expresses difficulty in accessing a doctor, social worker, or dentist. Brightwell is very close to Ipswich and Martlesham and is well served with medical services.

None

Q35 The majority do not need care and support services

Six people said they did not need care/support services: there were no other responses. Given the age profile of the populace this is surprising, or they must be very fit and well and of a very independent personality.

None St John the Baptist parish church in Brightwell, from a postcard sent in 1905

Q36 Residents were asked to rate twenty one different medical services

Most people seemed well-satisfied with all the medical related services.

None

Q37 There is little demand for some sports facilities in the parish

There are very few children and young people in the parish, and the responses reflect this. One expressed need for each for sports facilities, more registered child minders and adult education/leisure classes. Two people for each asked for out of school clubs and for a summer play scheme.

None

BRIGHTWELL

Household Responses

Issue	Background/Commentary	Action to be Taken
Q38 No one is interested in volunteering	None of the respondents expressed a willingness to become involved in any of the suggested list.	None
SOCIAL – Questions 39	9, 40, 41, 42, 43, & 44	
Q39 & Q40 50% of respondents feel that the Shepherd and Dog public	This question was primarily aimed at Purdis Farm and Foxhall residents as there are other pubs local to Brightwell.	None
house is important to them	There is no interest in whether or not there is a footpath from the Warren Heath development to the Shepherd and Dog	
Q41 This question was for Purdis Farm and Foxhall residents	Brightwell has a Church Hall, well used both by the village community and from elsewhere. The village hall in Bucklesham was originally built as Bucklesham and Foxhall Village Hall and is still named as such.	None
Q42 There is no interest in helping with childrens' activities	With just a small handful of children in the parish and no young people it is not surprising that no need is seen for help in these activities.	None
Q43 This question was aimed at Purdis Farm & Foxhall residents	Not applicable	None
Q44 Activities and facilities for children and young people	A need was expressed for a play area for the children. But given the small number of children in the parish it is difficult to know how the parish council could assist in this.	None
TRANSPORT - Questio	ons 45, 46, 47, 48 & 49	
Q45 Cars are the primary form of transport	Most families in the parish are dependent on a car as their main means of transport, with a smaller number using the local bus services.	None
Q46 & 47 There are no problems with flooding or parking	There does not appear to be any flooding or parking problems experienced by residents in Brightwell.	None

Q48 Speeding traffic, traffic volumes and HGVs are a concern

Q49 Just over 50% use the local bus service

Background/Commentary

The list of traffic problems in the parish is headed equally by the volume of traffic, lack of pavements and rat-running; followed by traffic speed and lorry traffic; and to a lesser degree agricultural vehicles and traffic queues. Three respondents say there isn't a traffic problem. Q22 and 23 received similar responses.

Six respondents do not use the bus service, two would like to see a link with train times, and one for each would like to see route improvement, better reliability, and easier access for those with disabilities.

Action to be Taken

Request more frequent random speed tests in the parish. Flashing speed signs, although installed in Purdis Farm, are not supported by SCC Highways as believed ineffective.

The GPC has no influence over local bus services. Since the original questionnaire was issued there have been a number of changes to local bus services resulting in less frequent services.



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Brightwell, Foxhall and Purdis Farm Parish Plan: page 16

Introduction

For the purposes of distributing the questionnaires and analysing the results the Foxhall parish was split into three specific areas:

- 'Foxhall 1' Felixstowe Road from Trinity Park entrance roundabout to the A14 bridge, including Elmham Drive
- 'Foxhall 2' Bucklesham Road from the Purdis Farm boundary up to Holly Lodge opposite the junction with Hall Road
 'Foxhall 3' - Woodhouse Lane, Purdis Farm Lane, Purdis Road, Monument Farm Road, Hall Road & Dobbs Lane

142 households on the electoral roll across the three areas were issued with questionnaires and 73 were returned. Of those 73 returns the responses to Question 1 identified spread between the areas was as follows: 31 from 'Foxhall 1', 28 from 'Foxhall 2' and 14 from 'Foxhall 3'. Due to the structure and focus of the questions in the questionnaire some questions required a 'household' level response others required a response from each member of the household.

The responses to Question 2 clearly highlights the semi-rural nature of the three areas in the Foxhall parish:

- 99% are connected to mains electricity and a telephone land line
- 89% are connected to mains water
- 75% are connected to mains gas
- 16% are connected to mains drainage

At the time of the questionnaire being distributed, 63% of all householders had a broadband connection, which gives a minimum indication of those which have internet connectivity, as there may well have been some households still using a dial-up connection.

Question 3 asked about vehicle ownership and the numbers held at each property, in summary:

Vehicle Type	Total owned
Bicycle	107
Domestic Car	180
Domestic Van	9
Motorbike	13
Mobility Scooter	3
Commercial Car	1
Commercial Van	3

This shows an average of 2.5 Domestic Cars per property, whereas the national average is 1.5. This is a reflection of the semi-rural location and limited availability of public transport.

Action To Be Taken: The average number of cars per property is a factor that must be taken into account when planning applications are received to ensure that there is adequate provision for parking.

Question 4 identified that in the main, those vehicles are either kept on the householders property, either off the road or in garages and sheds.

Question 5 looked at the distance that children are travelling to school, showing that the majority of children are living in the 'Foxhall 2' area, and that across the 10 children reported in that area there is an even split across all age groups in the distance they travel varying between 0 to 6+ miles.

The responses to Question 6 indicated an equal split of male and female residents across the parish. To give an indication of the age groups that respondents fall into, of 134 people that responded to Question 7, 37% fall into the 50-69 age bracket and of 141 respondents that answered Question 8, 40% have lived in the parish for between 21 and 50 years.

Question 10 showed that of 140 respondents, 44% are retired, 23% are in full time employment and 15% are in in part time work. Question 11 reported that of those that are working, 24% have an average daily commute of in excess of 10 miles, with 33% commuting between 1 and 10 miles to work. 78% of residents have a car as their primary means of transport.

Question 12 reported that 7% of householders are running a business from their home. According to the responses this 7% is restricted to the 'Foxhall 1' & 2 areas. Respondents were asked if they required a separate Business Questionnaire, although we would not be aware if they had done so. As there are a number of larger properties across the parishes they lend themselves to home-operated businesses. The type of businesses varies greatly and is covered in greater detail in the Business Questionnaire Responses.

Question 13 identified that 8% of respondents reported as acting as Carers in their household.

Issue

Q9 Residents want peace and quiet and the rural environment to be retained

Action to be Taken

The GPC should ensure that SCDC Planning department is aware of this fact in respect of any proposed large scale housing and infrastructure developments.



Background/Commentary

Of 143 individual respondents 80% cited that the most important thing about their community was the peace and quiet, whilst 64% cited the countryside and rural environment was the most important aspect to them. However, 43% stated that having good access to the A12 and A14 was a priority.

35% of respondents are travelling between 4 and 10+ miles each day outside of the parish on their daily commute. If those that travel between 1 - 3 miles each are also included this group then makes up 50% of the respondents, which may indicate why 43% require good access to the main trunk roads. The returns would suggest that local residents want to live in a rural environment that is peaceful, but at the same time many of them also require easy to the main trunk roads in the region.

Issue Background/Commentary Action to be Taken

ENVIRONMENT - Questions 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20 & 21

Q14 The majority, 83%, make use of the roadside collections for their recycling. 69% use the Foxhall Recycling Centre There is no detail behind these answers, but what is interesting is that 2% of respondents stated that they do not recycle.

The fact that 69% make use of the Foxhall tip is useful knowledge and indicates that a local facility is required for large items and green waste.

None



Q15 In 'Foxhall 1' people are concerned about Industrial Development, Traffic Noise, Noise Pollution and Light Pollution Development

The responses to this question show how different the three areas of the Foxhall parish are, even though area 2 and area 3 are adjacent

- 1. The issue of Industrial Development is almost certainly related to the encroaching development of the Ransomes Europark and lack of screening of the large buildings.
- 2. Traffic Noise will be due to the fact that the A1156 Felixstowe Road is one of the main arterial roads into Ipswich from the A12 and A14 and has a constant flow of traffic during the day and into the evening especially at peak hours. In addition, the A14 runs close to houses on the south of Felixstowe Road and tyre noise on the concrete road surface produces a constant noise.
- 3. The fact that the issue of Noise Pollution attracted a different response to Traffic Noise would suggest that the source of noise may not be the traffic. It could be noise from the railway (this is supported by comments in the free text), the industrial estate on Ransomes Europark or events held on Trinity Park as supported in the free text responses.

The GPC should approach Ipswich Borough Council to express the concerns of residents.

The A14 is concrete and although it has been 'quietised' around Sproughton and Claydon due to the proximity of housing we are not aware of any plans to do this on the Nacton section.

- Network Rail and Train Operating Companies have been contacted regarding train noise without result.
 This could be formalised via SCDC/SCC.
- Trinity Park have improvements to the public address system for events.
- Other noise complaints should be referred to Environmental Health by residents.



- A very specific comment in the free text comments highlighted a specific issue of bands practising at the old Pig Farm in Felixstowe Road.
- 4. Felixstowe Road is unlit therefore the Light Pollution concerns must be related to the night time lighting at Ransomes Europark, the Orwell Truckstop or John Banks Honda on Felixstowe Road.
- GPC to approach IBC formally regarding the Ransomes Europark regarding the impact of their lights on residents.
- SCDC are already dealing with John Banks Honda over security lighting and impact on residents.

Q15 In Foxhall 2 and 3 residents are more concerned about Fly-tipping, Hedgerow Maintenance and Industrial Development



Background/Commentary

Foxhall 1 & 2 are impacted by fly tipping due to the close proximity of the Foxhall waste site and the fact the roads are unlit and in some areas uninhabited. The issue can easily be evidenced on driving through Purdis Farm Lane, Monument Farm Road and Hall Lane. Domestic rubbish is regularly dumped on the verges and in passing places. (This was also mentioned in the free text comments).

Similarly both areas would be concerned about poor maintenance of hedgerows. However, the third area of concern was different.

'Foxhall 2' will be impacted by traffic using the Bucklesham Road as this is used more heavily and suffers from speeding drivers at night, also an increase in use by HGV vehicles accessing the Foxhall waste site and the small industrial units in 'Foxhall 3' such as Valley Works

'Foxhall 3' is more concerned with the increase of industrial development and the increase in noise and pollution. This may refer to the Valley Works development.

Action to be Taken

Fly-tipping should be reported to SCDC by residents. The GPC website could be updated to provide information on who to contact.

Hedgerow maintenance is a responsibility of SCC Highways.

The increasing industrial use of Valley Works has been referred to the planning authority as an on-going concern and the GPC is aware of the concerns.

Again, the increasing industrial use of Valley Works has been referred to the planning authority.

Q16 Residents want to see hedges and trees maintained and flower verges re-instated

In addition around 33% wanted to see more heathland and woodland conservation.

These responses could be due to the damage that vehicles are causing to the verges in specific areas. Comments in the free text relate to the issue of cars parked in the southern service road on the A1156 and the damage caused to the verges as large vehicles attempt to drive around them.

Q17 23% of residents are interested in preserving or improving the environment

23% responded positively when specifically asked if they would like to help preserve or improve the environment. We can only assume that the remaining 77% feel it is the responsibility of other organisations to do this or are unable to assist.



Tree and verge maintenance are recurring themes throughout the responses and are clearly a concern to residents.

The parking issue in Felixstowe Road is being addressed through parking restrictions which will reduce damage to the verge.

Consider how best to contact, engage and organise the people that are interested when their services could be utilised.

FOXHALL

Household Responses

Issue

Q18 Residents want more footways and pavements in the parish and existing footpaths better maintained

Background/Commentary

The request for more footways and pavements is possibly in response to the increase of traffic and HGV vehicles through the smaller lanes in the parish which do not have any footpaths, however, this is an assumption.

38% wanted more Footways and Pavements and 35% want improved maintenance for the existing footpaths and maps to be made available.

Action to be Taken

As the parish becomes more developed and housing spreads out further into the lanes the need for footpaths may become more apparent and should be considered as part of those developments.

The parish council will need to raise this when reviewing planning applications.

Q19 The majority of respondents believe that litter is a major problem and needs to be tackled, road verges should be mown and HGV traffic ought to be reduced



Litter seems to be an issue that needs focus, especially for 'Foxhall 2' and 'Foxhall 3' where it accounted for 57% of responses.

However, keeping the verges mown and tidy accounted for 55% of responses and interestingly reducing HGV traffic attracted 52%.

There has been an increase in HGV traffic in relation to small industrial developments in 'Foxhall 3' and this impacts 'Foxhall 1' as HGVs use Straight Road in the early hours of the morning.

On occasions when the Orwell bridge is closed or 'Operation Stack' is in force there will be an increase in HGV traffic on the A1156.

Additional litter bins and dog waste bins have been provided by the GPC over recent years.

Keeping verges mown an tidy is a Highways responsibility and should be referred to them.

Reduction of HGV traffic to and from Felixstowe port is already being dealt with through the upgrading of the Ipswich – Felixstowe branch line. This is not something the Parish Council has any influence over.

Q20 Given the choice of Allotments, a Community Centre, a Sports Field or a Play Area the option attracting the highest number of responses opted for a Community Centre (14%) The Foxhall parish does not currently have a Community Centre. Although it has been discussed in the past, based on the low response percentage there is clearly not a high demand for such a new dedicated facility.

The Parish Council believes that the parishes of Brightwell, Foxhall & Purdis Farm would benefit from a community centre as this would provide a focal point and develop a sense of community.

If further major developments are approved within the parishes a community centre should be included.

Q21 The majority of residents believe the quality of the local environment has become worse over time

When asked whether the quality of the environment had changed since living in the parish the responses across the three parish areas were:

- Worse 57%
- Same 39%
- Better 4%

This is something that should concern the Group Parish Council.

The reasons behind the answers to this question can probably be found within the responses to other questions in the questionnaire.

Issue Background/Commentary

Action to be Taken

LAW & ORDER - Questions 22 & 23

Q22 & Q23 People are also very worried about the speed of traffic, litter and burglary. A high proportion would like to see more police patrols in the area

66% of respondents stated speeding traffic is major concern to them. Litter ranked second with 50% and burglary 38%.

Litter is a general problem, much of appears to be discarded from vehicles, coupled with the Fly-tipping issue already highlighted in Question 15.

The issue of burglary is also obviously a concern. Due to the value and remote nature of some of the properties and lack of street lighting they could be seen to be easy targets. We already know from regular Police reports that Bucklesham Road suffers regularly from car break-ins.

In terms of what improvements or measures that need to be taken in relation to Law and Order, 24% of respondents also cited 'More activities for the young' as a priority. A number of issues in Q22 could be attributed to youth behaviour but as they were listed individually no single issue was highlighted as a priority.

41% of respondents wanted to see more use of random speed-gun checks within the parish.

It is difficult to know what action can be taken with respect to fly-tipping apart from more rigorous investigation as to the source of rubbish by the organisation that collects it.

Many of the reported thefts have been as a result of cars and doors being left unlocked. The Police have taken positive steps to educate parishioners regarding home and car security with leaflet and poster campaigns but the problem persists.

42% of respondents want to see more police foot patrols in their parish. This could have positive effect, especially at night. However, in light of recent cuts there is little likelihood of this.

Q24 32% of respondents do not want any more houses built in the parish

The responses here support the reason people live in the parish with its semirural atmosphere. The responses on the types of developments that would be supported were as follows:

- 29% Conversions
- 24% Single
- 23% Infill

with small developments of less than 10 homes attracting 22% responses and only 3% wanted to see developments of more than 10 homes.

Ideally the opinions of residents should be taken into account when planning applications are reviewed and only small-scale controlled development should be considered. Any large scale developments would clearly be in direct opposition of the majority of residents.

Q25 The most popular choice for new houses if they were to be built is 'bungalows'

In respect of the type of properties that should be built respondents have some very clear views. Across all three areas the averages were:

- 41% Bungalows
- 34% Detached
- 29% Cottages

There was slight variation between the areas. Looked at individually 'Foxhall 2' have a preference for Detached properties, and 'Foxhall 3' have a preference for Cottages.

Again, the wishes of residents should be considered to retain the existing look and feel that the parish and its individual areas have. However under current planning legislation it is unlikely this would happen.

Household Responses

Issue

Q26 36% of respondents would like to see new houses occupied by small families

Background/Commentary

In terms of who should live in the houses, and this would also dictate to some degree the type of property being built, the top three responses were as follows:

- 36% Small families
- 34% Local people
- 22% Couples



Action to be Taken

It is difficult to know how the parish council can control who lives in the parish.

The introduction of 'affordable housing' might help some of these requirements being met and statutory guidelines exist to support this.

COMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION - Questions 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 & 32

Q27 Only 14% of respondents have visited the Parish Council website

This number appears low but maybe people have no need to visit the website or are not aware that it exists.

The website should be promoted on any future literature, but it must show up to date information of relevance to parishioners otherwise there will be no reason to visit the site.

Q28 The majority of respondents across the parish do not know how to contact councillors, MPs, religious leaders, emergency services for utilities or the local police

In addition when asked how to contact local emergency and utility services the responses could be cause for concern.

Electricity 69%
Gas 57%
Water 57%
Local Police 51%

The Parish Council has previously distributed this information on the Parish Council Newsletter.

No other action to be taken.

Q29 Only 9% of respondents have attended a PC meeting in the last three years and did so for a specific reason

This would suggest that people generally are not interested in what happens at Parish Council meetings on a routine basis and a limited number only attend if an issue is affecting them personally.

Recent experience has shown that people will attend if specific issues such as major planning developments or local issues are being discussed.

Q30 When asked questions about the performance of the Parish Council the majority responded with 'No Opinion'



Background/Commentary

The answers are best represented in a table:

	Publicises Its Activities/ Decisions Well	Is Open & Accessible	Overall Does A Good Job	Spends The Precept Wisely	Publicises Planning Applications Well	Publicises Parish Council Meeting Well	Publicises Parish Council Meeting Minutes Well
Strongly Disagree	5	3	0	0	3	4	9
Disagree	23	11	0	2	30	15	19
No Opinion	37	52	62	70	37	46	52
Agree	24	24	29	13	19	19	8
Strongly Agree	5	5	6	6	3	8	4

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Action to be Taken

Given that only 9% have attended a PC meeting in three years it might be difficult for people to form an accurate opinion on the Parish Council performance.

Q31 The majority (59%) of respondents would like the PC to improve publicity of the Annual Parish meeting

This is interesting feedback as the GPC has previously advertised the meeting on the notice boards (3 or 4), updated the GPC website and also mailed every household in the parish. In doing so very few members of the public have attended despite there being a topical speaker which 15% of respondents said they would like.

As mailing individual households with Annual Parish Meeting information has not resulted in any real numbers of people attending this should probably be ceased as a waste of time, effort and public money. The meetings should continue to be promoted on the notice boards and the website.

SERVICES & UTILITIES - Questions 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 & 38

Q32 Respondents are not interested in publicity space on the Parish Council Website or Newsletter

Businesses are only interested in advertising on websites which attract a high volume of visits in order to justify any investment. The GPC newsletter is infrequent and not professionally produced.

None

Q33 Asked parishioners to rate a variety of services and utilities

Background/Commentary

Action to be Taken

Due to the volume and spread of the answers the information is best presented None in a table:

	Recycling Facilities	Refuse Collection	Postal Service	Roadside care/ street cleaning	Winter Weather Service (eg gritting)	Analogue TV reception	Digital TV reception	Mobile phone reception	Radio reception	Internet broadband connection
Very Poor	13	0	1	31	20	10	19	5	0	6
Poor	24	9	19	48	18	36	22	15	8	17
No Opinion	12	15	5	23	20	13	23	15	14	15
Good	62	82	57	19	55	50	29	67	79	46
Very Good	14	19	43	1	4	11	9	19	20	17

- TV reception results may no longer be valid as the Digital TV service is now fully operational in the region and Analogue has been ceased.
- Mobile phone reception these results are difficult to interpret as they do not indicate which mobile operator is used and new masts have been/are being erected in the area.
- Radio reception these results are of limited value as they do not identify whether digital or analogue, and if analogue which waveband.
- Roadside care and street cleaning gets a Very Poor/Poor majority and this is noted elsewhere in responses.

Q34 Only a very small minority of Foxhall residents have found it difficult to access medical services

10% stated they found it difficult to access a doctor, 5% accessing a chiropodist and 3% a dentist.

Large scale planning developments may improve the availability of these services in the future.

Foxhall is very close to Ipswich and Ipswich is well served with medical services.

Q35 The majority (75%) of respondents stated they do not require Care or Support Services

This implies that 25% possibly do need care & support services.

This is useful information if correct. It is generally known that the need for Care and Support Services will increase due to an ageing population.

There is nothing that the Parish Council could do to influence or improve these services.

Q36 Householders were asked to rate 21 different medical services if they had used them in the past two years

Background/Commentary

From the responses received it was very clear that the majority of respondents are very happy overall with the medical services available to them. The majority rated services as 'Good' or 'Very Good' There were a very small number who rated some services as 'Poor'.

Action to be Taken

There is nothing that the Parish Council could do to influence or improve these services.

Q37 25% of respondents said there was a need for some sports facilities in the parish This question, along with Q20 and Q41, highlights the complete lack of any type of community facilities in the parish.

The same question was asked in Q20 and 13% of respondents said yes.

There was some duplication of questions in the questionnaire and different results were obtained, depending on how it was phrased.

However, 25% is by no means a majority and although there is a demand it is clearly limited. There are other facilities in easy travelling distance in Ipswich.

Q38 When asked about volunteering in the parish the number of people who expressed an interest was very low

7% (4 people) said they would be willing to volunteer for Neighbourhood Watch. 2 people said they would be interested in a 'Volunteer Pool' and one person said they would be willing to help with Meals On Wheels.

The GPC website could be used to attract local volunteers for specific projects but would require additional publicity.

SOCIAL - Questions 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, & 44

Q39 The majority of respondents (51%) feel that The Shepherd and Dog pub is 'important' or 'very important' to them

The Shepherd and Dog is the only 'social facility' in the parish. As expected, the pub is more important to residents in Felixstowe Road than the other parish areas.



None

Q40 The majority, 65%, of 'Foxhall 1' respondents would like to see a pavement between Trinity Park entrance and The Shepherd and Dog The responses from the other two Foxhall areas were not so positive as it would be of little benefit to them.

Putting a pavement in on Felixstowe Road has been considered in the past but the cost has been seen to be prohibitive. This may change if proposed housing developments are approved.

Currently Trinity Park has agreed to maintain the verge so it can be used as a footpath.

FOXHALL

Household Responses

Issue

Q41 38% of respondents would like a community hall for Purdis Farm and Foxhall

Background/Commentary

However this should be balanced with 34% of respondents saying 'No'. This would suggest that although it would be a useful facility it is not a high priority for parishioners as they are well served by other adjacent parish and town facilities.

Action to be Taken

Providing the parish with a community hall would be a useful addition and help form a better sense of 'community'.

The location and funding of such a facility would present considerable challenges for the parish council unless this could be provided as a result of any future large housing developments.

Q42 There is minimal interest in helping with initiatives such as Summer Play Schemes, Out of School Clubs, Youth Clubs, and Organising Team Games 1% of respondents said they would be interested in helping with Summer Play Schemes, Out of School Clubs and Organising Team Games. No one was interested in helping with a Youth Club.

No action

Q43 The majority of Foxhall respondents (72%) have 'No Opinion' regarding the Murrills Road play area

This is as expected as residents in the Foxhall area are unlikely to use this facility.

No action

Q44 Most respondents had 'No Opinion' when asked about the need for more children's play areas This would reflect the average ages of the local residents and the fact that the majority do not have small children.

No action

TRANSPORT - Questions 45, 46, 47, & 48

Q45 78% of respondents use their car as primary means of transport

This reflects the semi-rural nature of the parish and the fact that it is not served particularly well by bus services.

There were two very specific comments in the free text suggesting that a railway station should be built at Warren Heath/Felixstowe road area.

The GPC has no influence over public transport.

Since the original questionnaire was issued there have been a number of changes to local bus services resulting in less frequent services.



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Q46 Flooding affects 25% in the parish

Background/Commentary

Although the number affected is low, from the free text comments flooding is clearly an issue for anyone using a mobility scooter in Purdis Road, Monument Farm Lane and Woodhouse Lane.

households in the southern service road on the A1156 Felixstowe Road.

Also recent wet weather (2012) has identified a flooding issue for several

Q47 The majority of respondents (55%) stated that they do not experience any parking problems

It should be noted that this high percentage is across the three areas and does not reflect the very specific issues for a group of residents in 'Foxhall 1' caused through employees from the John Banks garage parking in the service road on the south side of Felixstowe Road.

Lorry traffic at 38% came second followed by Poor Visibility at Junctions with 29%.

Q49 45% of respondents do not use the bus service

Q48 45% of respondents

problems

believe that speeding traffic

is the main cause of traffic

15% of respondents requested that the bus timetables should be improved.

In addition the free text comments suggested that bus times should be aligned to Ipswich trains at peak times.



Action to be Taken

Flooding should be reported through to Anglian Water or SCC Highways to ensure that the drains and gullies are clear.

The specific issue in 'Foxhall 1' received considerable focus and support from the GPC and SCC Highways.

Subsequently parking restrictions were approved by the Public Rights of way Committee in 2013.

This issue was already raised under Law and Order Q22-23 so it is interesting that once again it was cited under Q48. This would suggest that it really is a concern of local residents.

The existing bus timetables do not identify what times buses will stop at the bus stops in Felixstowe Road as the stops are not shown.

Since the original questionnaire was issued there have been a number of changes to local bus services resulting in reduced services.

However new housing developments may result in improvements to bus services.

The GPC has no influence over public transport.

Introduction

For the purposes of distributing the questionnaires and analysing the results, the Purdis Farm parish was split into four distinctive areas. Around 900 questionnaires were distributed across the parish and the numbers of completed questionnaires and individual responses within those questionnaires are as follows:

The structure and focus of the questions in the questionnaire was that questions 2-5 required a 'household' level response whilst the others required a response from each individual member of the household. Most questions had predetermined responses requiring only ticks or a number to be entered, but there was space at the end of the questionnaire for any further comments to be added.

Purdis area	Name	Questionnaires
1	Bucklesham Road	57 questionnaires returned, 129 individual responses
2	Felixstowe Road, Warren Heath Avenue	27 questionnaires returned, 50 individual responses
3	Purdis Farm Lane, Purdis Avenue	27 questionnaires returned, 55 individual responses
4	Warren Heath	215 questionnaires returned, 424 individual responses



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Background/Commentary

Action to be Taken

PURDIS FARM HOUSEHOLD INTRODUCTION Questions 2 - 5

Q2 Provision of utilities to households

Issue

From the 326 returns it can be seen that the vast majority of households have mains electricity, water, drainage, gas and telephone, the only notable exception being Purdis area 3 where only 81% have mains water and 78% mains drainage.

The percentage of households having good mobile phone reception ranged from 78 to 93% across the four areas.

Uptake of broadband varied from 56% in Purdis area 2 to 82% in Purdis area 4.

Q3 Number of vehicles kept at each property

59% have bicycles.

95% have cars, of those 53% have two or more cars and 9% have three or more cars (overall average 1.6 cars per household).

6% have motorbikes.

7% have domestic / commercial vans.

2% have mobility scooters.

No action

No action

Q4 There is a significant percentage of on road parking in Purdis area 4

In Purdis areas 1-3 there is virtually no on road parking.

9% of households in Purdis area 4 use on road parking.

A large number of complaints about on road/roadside parking in Purdis area 4 were made in the free response text.



Ensure adequate provision for parking is made in future developments.

Issue	Background/Commentary		Action to be Taken		
Q5 A significant proportion	Area 0-3 miles 3+ miles No action		No action		
of children travel further than 3 miles to school	Purdis 1 (14 children)	5 (all age ranges)	1 (pre-school) 3 (4-11 year olds) 5 (11-16 year olds)		
	Purdis 2 (7 children)	3 (all age ranges)	2 (pre-school) 1 (4-11 year olds) 1 (11-16 year olds)		
	Purdis 3 (7 children)	2 (all age ranges)	1 (pre-school) 1 (4-11 year olds) 3 (11-16 year olds)		
	Purdis 4 (58 children)	33 (all age ranges)	8 (pre-school) 5 (4-11 year olds) 12 (11-16 year olds)		
Q6 Ratio of male/female residents	There was an equal spli	t of male and female res	sidents across the parish.	No action	
Q7 There is a significant percentage of the population aged 60 or over	In Purdis area 1, 44% a In Purdis area 2, 48% a In Purdis area 3, 49% a In Purdis area 4, 22% a	re over 60 re over 60		The needs of an ageing population should be taken into account when addressing issues raised in this parish plan.	
	iii Puiuis alea 4, 22% a	le over 60		This factor also needs to be taken into account when future provision of services is being planned at district/ county regional level.	
Q8 The average length of residence varies between the areas within the parish	Purdis area 1, 20 years Purdis area 2, 15 years Purdis area 3, 15 years Purdis area 4, 9 years In Purdis areas 1-3, 74% said peace and quiet was most important, followed by 68% saying countryside and rural environment.		No action		
Q9 Residents want peace and quiet/the countryside and rural environment to be retained	In Purdis area 4, 63% said peace and quiet was most important. Other overall responses for Purdis areas1-4 were: 47% access to A12/A14; 46% access to Ipswich; 44% local supermarket; 33% footpaths/walking; 29% the community;10% local pub.		The Group Parish Council and Suffolk Coastal District Council must recognise the importance of peace, quiet, countryside and rural environment when it comes to considering planning applications and neighbouring developments.		

Issue	Background/Commentary	Action to be Taken	
Q10 There is a significant percentage of the population who are retired	In Purdis 1-3, 38% of the population are retired and 44% are employed. In Purdis 4, 20% are retired and 67% are employed.	The needs of the retired population should be taken into account when addressing issues raised in this parish plan (see question 7).	
Q11 There needs to be adequate transport provision for those travelling to work/ study/occupation	6% travel less than 1 mile 18% travel 1 to 3 miles 23% travel 4 to 10 miles 14% travel 10+ miles Also see responses to question 45.	The Group Parish Council and SCDC must recognise this when it comes to considering planning applications, neighbouring developments and the provision of local places of employment (to reduce the need to travel large distances to work).	
		This factor also needs to be taken into account when future provision of transport is being planned at district/county regional level.	
Q12 Across all four parish areas 4% of householders are running a business from their home Respondents were asked if they required a separate Business Questionnaire, although we would not be aware if they did. The responses to the business questionnaire are reported in a separate section of this parish plan.		No action	
Q13 Adequate provision needs to be made to support those who are carers for family members	6% of respondents (37 people) said they were carers for family members.	Find out if any further provision of support (in addition to any that might already be provided) is needed and look at ways of providing that support	
Q14 The majority of respondents use recycling facilities	84% of respondents make use of the roadside collections for their recycling (64% in Purdis area 3). 63% use the Foxhall Recycling Centre. In Purdis areas 1, 2 & 3, 35% compost compared to 9% in Purdis area 4.	No action	

Issue Background/Commentary

Action to be Taken

ENVIRONMENT Questions 14 - 21

Q15 There are different environmental problems across the four areas of the parish. The most notable are noise, smell and learner drivers



Significant (>15% of respondents) issues are:

Purdis area	Percentage	Issue
2	24%	Smell
	18%	Noise
	20%	Traffic Noise
3	20%	Smell
	16%	Fly tipping
4	21%	Traffic noise
	25%	Noise
	16%	Maintenance of common areas
	25%	Learner drivers
	18%	Hedgerow maintenance

There were a large number of vociferous free text responses about learner drivers practising manoeuvres on Murrills Road.

There were free text responses complaining about noise in Purdis area 4. The source of the noise was primarily the railway, but also traffic, Trinity Park and Sainsbury's/Homebase.

There were free text responses complaining about foliage overgrowing pavements and pathways in Purdis area 4.

- i) Encourage local residents to complain directly to driving schools about the safety issues caused by learner drivers. If the issue persists, then a volunteer should be found (or a person appointed) to keep a coordinated record of instances so that a body of evidence can be built up about the size of the problem and which driving schools are the most frequent offenders.
- ii) Check whether the measures to quieten the railway track extend all the way from Foxhall into Ipswich.
- iii) Ensure that regular clearing of foliage on pavements/ pathways is carried out by the District/County Councils.

Q16 Residents want to see existing trees and hedges maintained

This was the most popular response by far (54%) for all four areas of the parish.

The Group Parish Council and SCDC must recognise this when it comes to considering planning applications and neighbouring developments.

Q17 There are a good number of residents interested in helping to preserve or improve the environment

16% (104 people) expressed an interest in helping to preserve and/or improve the local environment.

A volunteer should be found (or a person appointed) to set up a local environmental action group to carry out activities and interact with the other groups who already carry out work on Purdis Heath.

Background/Commentary

Action to be Taken

Q18 Residents would like more help accessing the local environment

Across the four areas the most popular responses were:

43% Map of local footpaths

32% Maintenance of countryside public footpaths

35% Cycle paths

12% Dropped kerbs (for wheel chairs/push chairs).

Better facilities for cyclists were requested in the free text responses.

i) Provide maps showing local footpaths and cycle routes.

ii) Ensure that regular maintenance of footpaths is carried out by the District/County Councils.

iii) Investigate the possibility of creating new cycle paths.

iv) Investigate where better provision of dropped kerbs is required (no suggestions were given in the responses).

Q19 Residents would like to see improvements to roads

and paths to make the parish more attractive The most popular responses were that 53% would like to see litter removed and 44% would like to see road side verges kept mown and tidy.

There were a large number of free text responses complaining about litter in Purdis area 4.

i) Provide more/larger litter bins on Murrills Road particularly at the bus stops near to Sainsbury's petrol station.

ii) Ensure that regular clearing of litter is carried out by the District/County Councils.

iii) See question 15 with regard to foliage.

Q20 When asked if there is a need for Allotments, Community Centre, Sports Field or Play Area, Community Centre attracted the highest number of responses



The most popular response by far (22%) said that there was need for a community centre. It is also worth noting that when asked directly about a community hall (question 41) the percentage was much higher.

Start a group with the long term aim of finding land and funding to build a community hall in Purdis Farm/Foxhall.

This is an enabling action to help with the actions resulting from questions 23, 37 and 42.

The other responses were:

16% Sports field

15% Allotments

10% Play area.

Q21 More respondents said that the quality of the local environment has become worse over time than said it has improved When asked whether the quality of the environment had changed since living in the parish the overall responses across the four parish areas were:

36% Worse

47% Unchanged

10% Better

Of note is that, when combined, 46% of the response from Purdis areas 1 & 2 was that the quality of environment has worsened.

This is something that should concern the Parish Council.

The reasons behind the answers to this question can probably be found within the responses to other questions in the questionnaire.

Issue Background/Commentary

Action to be Taken

LAW & ORDER Questions 22 - 23

Q22 When asked about a range of issues, those that were of most concern were speeding vehicles and litter



Across the four areas of the parish, the two issues that stood out were speeding vehicles (53%) and litter (46%) (see question 19). The only notable difference was area 1 of Purdis where 45% of respondents said that burglary was a concern.

It is also worth noting that across the four areas of the parish 11% of respondents said that they were not concerned by crime and social behaviour. A large number of the free text responses backed up the issue of speeding vehicles and litter.

With regard to speeding vehicles, a large number said that Murrills Road was of particular concern.

Children/young people hanging around and causing a nuisance was also mentioned a number of times. Some of these specifically referred to the Murrills Road play area.

See responses to question 23.

Q23 When asked what measures were needed, police foot patrols was the most popular response Across the four areas of Purdis, the most popular responses were:

52% Random foot patrols by police

36% Random police speed-gun checks

33% More litter bins (see question 19)

33% More dog waste bins

33 % More activities for young people

- i) Continue close liaison with the police and see if it is possible to carry out more foot patrols.
- ii) Flashing speed reminder signs could have a positive impact from both directions. Since the parish plan questionnaire was issued a flashing 30mph speed sign has been installed in Murrills Road from the 'Quality of Life' budget.
- iii) Provide more activities for young people as an alternative to hanging around (this could be difficult because of a lack of local venue, however there people willing to help with youth work, see question 42).

DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING Questions 24 – 26

Q24 47% of respondents do not want any more houses built in the parish

The responses with regard to the acceptability of other types of developments were as follows:

25% Developments of less than 10 homes

16% Conversion of existing buildings

13% Infill

11% Single homes

3% Developments of 10 or more homes.

A number of free text responses complained about demolition of a single existing house and the building of two (or more) new houses on the same plot.

The opinions of residents must be taken into account when planning applications are reviewed and only small scale controlled development should be considered. Any large scale developments would clearly be in direct opposition to a large percentage of residents.

PURDIS FARM

Issue

Q25 Overall the most popular choice for new housing, if it were to be built, was 'detached houses'

Background/Commentary

Across the four areas of Purdis, the significant responses were:

34% Detached houses

26% Bungalows

17% Semi-detached houses

13% Cottages

There was slight variation between the areas.

Purdis areas 1-3 have a preference for

bungalows (38%).



Action to be Taken

Again, the wishes of residents must be considered to retain the existing look and feel that the parish and its individual areas have.

Q26 When asked for whom new housing should cater, the most popular response was 'small families' Across the four areas of Purdis, the significant responses were:

31% Small families (2-3 bedrooms)

22% Couples (1-2 bedrooms)

21% Larger families (4+ bedrooms)

21% Elderly people

20% People with a local connection

9% Young People.

Again there was slight variation between the areas. Interestingly the figures for

Purdis areas 1-3 (where 46% of the respondents are aged 60+) were:

25% Small families

21% Larger families

18% Elderly people

Whilst the parish council obviously has no control over who lives in the parish, as previously stated, the wishes of the existing residents should be taken into account when the size and style of new housing is being considered.

COMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION Questions 27 – 32

Q27 Only 9% of respondents have visited the Parish Council website

This number is low, at present it is an ineffective means of communicating with residents.

If the website is to be effective, it must be promoted more strongly on any future literature. It must also be maintained and contain up to date information of relevance to parishioners otherwise there will be no reason to re-visit the site.

See question 30.

Q28 The majority of respondents across the parish do not know how to contact elected government representatives

The responses for those who do know to contact officials were: 19% Parish Councillor/District Councillor/County Councillor/MP/MEP/ Neighbourhood Watch/Village hall/Religious Leader 57% Gas/Electricity/Water Services 37% Local Police

There should be repeat distribution of contact information for elected government representatives on a regular basis.

Background/Commentary

Action to be Taken

Q29 Only 3% of respondents have attended a PC meeting in the last three years and did so for a specific reason

This would suggest that people generally are not interested in what happens at Parish Council meetings on a routine basis and a limited number only attend if an issue is affecting them personally.

Generate more interest in Parish Council meetings by better promotion of future meetings and the subjects that are to be discussed (see question 30).

Q30 When asked questions about the performance of the Parish Council the most popular response was 'No Opinion'

Where an opinion was given, the results were as follows:

Statement	Agree	Disagree
Publicises its activities/decisions well	18%	22%
Is open and accessible	14%	13%
Overall does a good job	24%	5%
Spends the precept wisely	10%	7%
Publicises planning applications well	15%	20%
Publicises parish council meetings well	14%	22%
Publicises parish council meeting minutes well	7%	23%

The responses to this question seem a bit contradictory. On specific issues, the responses are generally negative, whereas on the overall job that the parish council does, the responses were positive.

Generate more interest in Parish Council activities by appointing someone with the sole purpose of engaging with residents through the range of media now available (i.e. notice boards, newsletters, email, web sites, text alerts, local radio, local TV, newspapers, fetes, street parties, etc).



Q31 The majority (56%) of respondents would like the Parish Council to improve publicity of the Annual Parish Meeting This is interesting feedback as the Group Parish Council has previously advertised the meeting on the notice boards, updated the Group Parish Council website and also mailed every household in the parish. In doing so very few members of the public have attended despite there being a topical speaker which 20% respondents said they would like.

Generate more interest in Annual Parish Meeting by better promotion of future meetings and the subjects that are to be discussed (see question 30).

Q32 Publicity space in parish communications

From those that responded to the questionnaire there were 41 interested in publicity space on the Parish Council Website or Quarterly Newsletter.

Get the person appointed under question 30 to contact these people so that they can be given publicity space. Issue

Q33 Rating of provision/ quality of services and utilities.

Background/Commentary

Service/Utility	Good/Very Good	Poor/Very Poor
Recycling facilities	63%	14%
Refuse collection	67%	11%
Postal Service	54%	20%
Roadside care/street cleaning	32%	31%
Winter weather service (e.g. gritting)	33%	25%
Mobile phone reception	69%	7%
Radio reception	65%	9%
Internet broadband reception	51%	10%

Action to be Taken

No action

TV reception – the results of the survey are no longer valid as the Digital TV service is now fully operational in the region and Analogue has been ceased. Mobile phone reception – these results are difficult to interpret as they do not indicate which mobile operator is used.

Radio reception – these results are of limited value as they do not identify whether digital or analogue, and if so which waveband.

Q34 In general, only a very small number of Purdis Farm residents have found it difficult to access medical services 14% (92 responses) stated they found it difficult to access a dentist and 5% (34 responses) a doctor.

Other services which were difficult to access only had single figure responses for each of the Purdis areas (86 responses across 18 services).

No action

Q35 The majority (67%) of respondents stated they do not require Care or Support Services

Number of respondents with need for a service:	
Benefits/pension collection	8
Prescription collection	18
Household repairs	21
Go/collect shopping	11
Attend social activities/events	10
Adaptations to home	17
Personal tasks (e.g. bathing)	11
Someone to call in to see if you're okay	15
Attend day centre	10
Attend clinics	10

See question 38

Household Responses

Issue

Q36 Householders were asked to rate 21 different medical services if they had used them in the past two years

Background/Commentary

From the responses received it was very clear that the majority of respondents are very happy overall with the medical services available to them. The vast majority rated services as 'Good' or 'Very Good' There were a very small number who rated some services as 'Poor' or 'Very Poor', of those dentistry (7%) was the only one to attract more than 5% negative feedback.

Action to be Taken

No action

Q37 When asked about the need for community facilities in the parish, adult education /leisure classes and sports were the most popular responses

The responses were:

27% adult education/leisure classes

26% sports facilities 17% out of school clubs 12% summer play scheme

7% Playgroup

7% Mothers & toddlers

6% Under 5s & parents club

This question along with Q20 and Q41 highlights the complete lack of any type of community facilities in the parish.

There was some duplication of questions in the questionnaire and different results were obtained, depending on how it was phrased. For question 20 only 16% overall said there was a need for a sports field.

The responses to this question reinforce the need for a venue in which to carry out such activities. See questions 20, 23 and 42.

Q38 A good number of residents are interested in volunteering for some sort of public service in the parish

11% (72 people) expressed an interest in volunteering for a range of public service activities such as Neighbourhood Watch, Meals on Wheels, hospital transport, etc.

A volunteer should be found (or a person appointed) to coordinate local volunteer activities and help marry up those with need to those willing to provide it.

SOCIAL Questions 39 – 44

Q39 It is not obvious how important a public house (or lack of one) is

34% said The Shepherd and Dog (or lack of a public house) is not important, 29% say it is.

Q40 The majority of respondents would like to see a pavement between Trinity Park entrance and The Shepherd and Dog

53% said they would like to have a pavement between the entrance to Trinity Park and The Shepherd and Dog and 28% said they would not.



No action

Start a group with the long term aim of finding funding to link these parts of Purdis Farm/Foxhall.

Household Responses

PURDIS FARM

Issue	Background/Commentary		Action to be Taken	
Q41 48% of respondents would like a community hall for Purdis Farm and Foxhall	However this should be balanced with 45% of respondents saying 'No'. In the Purdis 4 area 57% said 'Yes' and 27% said 'No'. There was some duplication of questions in the questionnaire and different results were obtained, depending on how it was phrased. For question 20 only 22% overall said there was a need for a community centre.		Providing the parish with a community hall would be a useful addition and help form a better sense of 'community'. See question 20.	
Q42 There are a number of residents prepared to help with leisure activities for young people	4% (27 people) expressed an interest in helping with people.	h leisure activities for young	A volunteer should be found (coordinate local leisure activit will help to address the issue question 22.	ies for young people. This
Q43 The Murrills Road children's play area is well thought of	43% of responses said the facilities were good or very good compared with 5% saying bad or very bad. The lack of the basket ball hoop was mentioned in the free text responses but the hoop has since been replaced.		e n an a	No action
Q44 There was a large positive response from Purdis area 3 when asked about the need for more children's play areas	The opinions given in responses from Purdis areas 1, 2 and 4 were balanced in favour/against more play areas for children under 14. However in Purdis area 3, 35% said there was a need for more play areas compared with 4% saying there wasn't and 42% expressing no opinion.			Make provision of a new play area a condition of any future large development in Purdis area 3.
Q45 77% of respondents use their car as primary means of transport	The responses were: 77% Car 12% First Eastern/Ipswich buses 6% Walk 5% Bike 2% Community bus		No action	
Q46 Flooding of roads is not a problem in Purdis Farm	Only 2% of responses said that there is a problem of flooding on the roads. In Purdis area 1, 28% of responses said there was a parked on grassed areas.		No action	

Issue Background/Commentary

Action to be Taken

TRANSPORT Questions 45 – 49

Q47 Overall 46% of respondents do not experience parking problems. But there are specific issues in Purdis areas 1 and 4

In Purdis area 4, 26% of responses said there was a problem with vehicles blocking pathways.

A large number of complaints about on road/roadside parking in Purdis area 4 were made in the free response text.

The specific issue of parking on Bucklesham Road near to Bob's Meadow was also mentioned.

Use 'yellow lines' on the roads to address the issue. The locations of greatest concern in Purdis Farm are:

- i) Murrills Road opposite Mill Road Drive
- ii) Meadow Crescent
- iii) Bucklesham Road near to Bob's Meadow.



21% Traffic queues



Q48 Overall, volume of traffic attracted the greatest number of responses on the issue of traffic problems

Across the four areas of Purdis, the significant responses (>20%) were: 31% Volume of traffic 24% Traffic speed

In Purdis area 1 the significant (>20%) response was: 33% Traffic speed. This is backed up by the free text responses. Also mentioned are difficulty exiting Bucklesham Road at St. Augustine's roundabout, and parking of cars near to Bob's Meadow.

Since the parish plan questionnaire was issued a flashing 30mph speed sign has been installed in Murrills Road from the 'Quality of Life' budget.

Issue

Background/Commentary

In Purdis area 2 the significant (>20%) responses were:

40% Volume of traffic 36% Traffic speed

24% Rat running.

Sainsbury's roundabout is highlighted as a road danger spot in the free text responses, as is delivery lorries turning right from Felixstowe Road into Sainsbury's goods entrance.

In Purdis area 3 the significant (>20%) responses were:

33% Volume of traffic

27% Visibility at road junctions. Purdis Avenue/Bucklesham Road junction is mentioned in the free text responses.

In Purdis area 4 the significant (>20%) responses were:

33% Volume of traffic

24% Traffic queues

21% Traffic speed.

Cars parked and speeding traffic on Murrills Road had a large number of free text responses (see question 23), as did the issue of learner drivers (see question 15). Queuing traffic at the petrol station was also highlighted a number of times.

Q49 For a number of suggested items, there was no dominant area for improvement of bus services For the four areas of Purdis, the significant responses (>10%) were:

22% Cost

17% Timetable

16% Reliability

13% Bus shelter with information point

10% Link in with train times.



Action to be Taken

- i) Make the bus companies aware of issues of cost, time table and reliability.
- ii) Consider provision of more bus shelters.

Introduction

The household survey reported that there are at least 22 businesses operating across the three parishes; however not all of those 22 respondents volunteered to fill in a separate business questionnaire, although they did provide the following information about the type of business. We also know that some businesses did not complete a business questionnaire even though one was supplied to them.

Although there was not a 100% return for the Business Questionnaire and there were no responses from the Purdis Farm Lane, Purdis Avenue areas, the 22 responses we did receive do provide a partial picture

across the three parishes. The results show that there are a variety of business types, with the majority being sited in Foxhall. These range from agricultural, which is to be expected given the rural nature of two of the three parishes, through manufacturing and repair, to retail, healthcare and hospitality.

The structure of the questions and associated responses was different to the Household Questionnaire therefore the results are presented in a different format. In addition to this, due to the small number of returns, the majority of responses have been summarised across the three parishes rather than by parish and area/road. For these reasons the results recorded in the tables below should only be taken as a guide.



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Q1 Where are businesses located? (22 responses)

Parish	No. of Businesses	
Brightwell	2	
Foxhall	Bucklesham Road	2
	Felixstowe Road	5
	north of Bucklesham Road	8
Purdis Farm	Bucklesham Road	2
	Felixstowe Road & Warren Heath Avenue	2
	Warren Heath	1



Q2 What business sectors are represented? (20 responses)

Agri- culture		Manufact- uring	Retail including Pubs and Restaurants	Car Body Repairs			Car Garage	Horticulture	Furniture	Horticultural Engineering	
2	1	5	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

Q3 How many people are employed (Full & Part Time)? (22 responses)

3 or less	4-9	10-15	16-20	21 or more
13	3	-	-	6

Q4 How long has the business been in the parish? (22 responses)

1-5 years	6-10 years	11-20 years	21 or more years
6	2	6	8

The majority of the businesses have been established in the parishes for six years or more. The overwhelming reason for locating to the parishes has been the availability of suitable premises with the secondary consideration of appropriate transport links. The majority felt that it had been very, or quite, easy to find

appropriate premises. Nevertheless the lack of suitable premises would be a possible reason for moving from the area together with widening business interests, and the increasing noise from the nearby Felixstowe railway. The majority of responses indicated that business were either unlikely, or definitely did not want, to increase their accommodation.

Q5 Why did the business move to the parish? (13 responses)

	Availability of Suitable Premises	Easy Access to Road and Rail Network
1	10	2

Q6 Why would businesses relocate away from the parish? (8 responses)

Lack of Suitable Premises	Wider/External Business Factors	Other
2	2	4

Staff recruitment has proved difficult for 54% of the businesses with 8% finding it very difficult. The two main reasons are the lack of skills and experience of the local population (33%), and inadequate local transport (33%), particularly for those businesses working late into the evening. 56% of those employed in the parishes travel between 3 and 5 miles to work while 37.5% travel more than 5 miles.

Q7 How easy is it to recruit staff locally? (13 responses)

Very Easy	Quite Easy	Quite Difficult	Very Difficult
3	2	7	1

Q8 How far do staff live from the parish? (16 responses)

Less Than 3 Miles	3-5 Miles	More than 5 Miles
1	9	6

Q9 What barriers are there to recruiting locally? (15 responses)

Lack of Skills and/or Experience	Strong Competition from Other Employers	Inadequate Local Public Transport	Other
5	1	5	4

Q10 How easy was it finding suitable business premises? (18 responses)

Very Easy	Quite Easy	Quite Difficult	Very Difficult
6	5	3	4

Q11 Is the business likely to require more accommodation in the area? (18 responses)

Definitely Not	Unlikely	Quite Likely	Very Likely
7	9	0	2

Q12 How supportive is the local planning system towards your business needs? (11 responses)

Very Supportive	Helpful	Unhelpful	Very Restrictive
-	8	1	2

Q13 Local Services
Businesses were
asked to rate
various local service
providers on how
well they respond to
their needs.

(The number of respondents varied for each provider).

Provider/Service	Very Supportive	Helpful	No Opinion	Unhelpful	Very Unsupportive	Responses
Parish Council	2	9	7	-	-	18
District Council	-	9	5	3	1	18
Environment Agency	-	8	8	-	2	18
Telecomms Providers	1	10	7	2	-	20
Roads & Traffic	1	4	8	5	1	19
Gas		6	6	1	1	14
Water	-	9	5	2	3	19
Electricity	1	7	8	1	3	20

Q14 What are the primary transport issues, affecting the business? (17 responses)

Standard of Road Maintenance	HGVs using Narrow Local Roads	Adequacy of Road Signing	Inadequacy of Parking	Speeding Traffic	Traffic Problems	Limited Public Transport
4	5	2	2	4	5	8

Probably, from all the information gathered, transport is the area where this plan can actually have some effect in addressing the issues that have been raised. These are set out in the following table with suggested actions and partners.

The Issues	Background	Action	Partners
Limited public transport 47.1%	While the service to Felixstowe runs every 15 minutes and serves both Warren Heath and Felixstowe Road Foxhall, the service along Bucklesham Road has been further reduced. [NB the service is no longer every 15 minutes].		Local bus companies Suffolk County Council
HGVs using narrow local roads 29.4%	The road widths, apart from a little adjustment on a short stretch of Bucklesham Road, have remained unchanged for many years. Unfortunately the weight, width and length of vehicles have not. The roads, particularly in Bucklesham Road, Foxhall, are no longer adequate for two large vehicles to pass each other easily while the lanes to the north of Bucklesham Road are largely single track.	Report any unsuitable roads, preferably with photographs and road widths, to the following website which deals with updating the information supplied to satellite navigation systems. http://mapreporter.navteq.com	Suffolk County Council Highways The Police Group Parish Council
Speeding traffic 23.5%	The Police hold speed checks and respond, where possible, to Parish Council requests for them when they are made aware of speeding problems.	Increase speed checks. Install more speed responsive warning signs.	Residents The Police Group Parish Council

Standard of road maintenance 23.5%	The drains are cleaned on a regular basis; however where the roads are narrow, heavy lorries regularly damage the edges - which are not immediately repaired.	Report blocked drains and damage to the Highways Authority.	Residents SCC Highways Group Parish Council
Traffic problems 17.7%	Apart from tall foliage at junctions, particularly the Hall Road/Foxhall Road junction, these are generally unspecified.	Those who witness incidents or who are affected by them should report them to the appropriate authorities.	Residents The Police SCC Highways Group Parish Council
Adequacy of parking 11.8%	This is also an ongoing problem in the more recently developed areas of the parishes.		
Adequacy of road signing11.7%	There were not specific examples of where it was felt that better signage was needed.	Identify those area/roads which are felt to be lacking.	Residents, SCC Highways Group Parish Council The Police

Q15 Has your business (and/ or staff) been affected by crime or anti-social behaviour in the past two years? (21 responses)

No Incidents	1-2 Incidents	3 or more Incidents
9	7	5

Q16 How effective is local police coverage and support? (16 responses)

Very Effective	Effective	Ineffective	Very Ineffective
2	8	5	1

The majority of respondents believe the police to be either Very Effective or Effective, However there were two specific comments regarding the police response:

- Due to lack of response police not even notified
- The Police are very supportive but inadequately resourced to assist effectively at an emergency level

Q17 Has your business had to install specific security measures? (21 responses)

Yes	No
13	7

Introduction

A copy of the Youth Questionnaire was delivered to every household across the three parishes and the returns were 79 although the number of individual questions answered within the questionnaire varies from 77 to 53. The responses highlighted that the highest concentration of youngsters reside in the Warren Heath area. The majority of respondents were in the upper age group with boys returning four more responses than girls. Although the responses to every question are available down to parish, and area within the parish, we have chosen not to display the results at this level of granularity for every question.



Q1 Where do they live? (74 responses)

By Parish / Area		Responses
Brightwell		1
Foxhall	Bucklesham Road	7
	Foxhall Road	4
	North of Foxhall Road	-
Purdis Farm	Bucklesham Road	11
	Felixstowe Rd. & Warren Heath Ave.	3
	Purdis Farm Ave. & Purdis Farm Lane	4
	Warren Heath	44

Q2 & 3 Their Age and Gender

Age Bands				Gender		
	7-10 Yrs	11-15		Male	Female	
The 3 Parishes combined	28	42		39	35	
			Total Responses: 70			Total Responses: 74
By Parish/Area				By Parish/Area		
Brightwell	1	-		1	-	
Foxhall	Bucklesham Road	1	4	5	2	
	Felixstowe Road	3	1	1	3	
	North of Bucklesham Road	-	-	-	-	
Purdis Farm	Bucklesham Road	4	6	8	3	
	Felixstowe Rd. & Warren Heath Ave.	1	2	-	3	
	Purdis Ave. & Purdis Farm Lane	-	4	4	-	
	Warren Heath	18	25	20	24	

Q4 What schools do they attend? (73 responses)

There are no schools in any of the three parishes, and Amberfield School, which was located in Nacton, has closed since this Questionnaire was returned.

Broke Hall Primary School and Copleston High School are the preferred choices from the schools listed in the questionnaire. A third of the youngsters went elsewhere for their education.

School Attended									
School	Amberfield	Britannia Primary School	Broke Hall Primary School	Bucklesham Primary School	Heath Primary School	Nacton Primary School	Copleston High School	Kesgrave High School	Other
The 3 Parishes Combined	1	-	14	2	-	2	20	9	25

By Parish/ Area									
BRIGHTWELL	-	1	1	1	-	-	ı	1	-
FOXHALL Bucklesham Road	-	1	1	-	-	-	ı	1	6
Felixstowe Road	-	1	2	ı	-	1	1	1	-
North of Bucklesham Road	-	-	-	-	-	-	ı	1	-
PURDIS FARM Bucklesham Road		1	1	1	-	-	1	5	2
Felixstowe Road & Warren Heath Avenue	1	1	1	1	-	-	1	ı	-
Purdis Avenue & Purdis Farm Lane	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
Warren Heath	-	-	10	1-	-	1	17	3	13

Q5 Do they have any part-time jobs?

The legal age for employment is 13 years old and the cut-off age for the questionnaire was 15. Only three youngsters said that they had jobs.

Q6 Attending out of school activities (53 responses)

Sport is by far the most popular choice for out of school activities. It is more than twice as popular as its nearest rival, music. Cubs and Scouts are equally as popular as Brownies and Guides. 67% of the youngsters are able to find clubs within six miles of their homes

while 33% have to travel more than six miles. It is encouraging that approximately 75% of those who responded feel that where they live does not prevent them from taking part in social activities. The results are summarised across the parishes.

Art	Drama	Music	Social	Sport	Cubs, Scouts	Brownies, Guides	Cadets	Youth Club
2	7	16	4	34	10	10	1	2

Q7 How far do they travel for an out of school activity or job? (62 responses)

	Under 3 Miles	3-6 Miles	Over 6 Miles
The 3 Parishes Combined	18	24	20

By Parish/Area				
Brightwell	-	-	1	-
Foxhall	Bucklesham Road	-	-	3
	Felixstowe Road	1	2	-
	North of Bucklesham Road	-	-	-
Purdis Farm	Bucklesham Road		5	2
	Felixstowe Road & Warren Heath Avenue	2	-	1
	Purdis Avenue & Purdis Farm Lane	-	3	-
	Warren Heath	12	13	14

Q8 What is their most common mode of transport? (67 responses)

	Bicycle	Bus	Car	Taxi	Walking
The 3 Parishes Combined	-	8	56	1	2

By Parish / Area

Brightwell		-	-	1	-	-
Foxhall	Bucklesham Road	-	-	6	-	1
	Felixstowe Road	-	1	3	-	-
	North of Bucklesham Road	-	-	-	-	
Purdis Farm	Bucklesham Road	-	-	7	-	-
	Felixstowe Road & Warren Heath Avenue	-	1	2	-	-
	Purdis Avenue & Purdis Farm Lane	-	1	3	-	-
	Warren Heath	-	5	34	1	1

Warren Heath is served by the Felixstowe buses, which pass through every 15* minutes until the early evening, and the Ipswich buses, which go to the railway station. However, as can be seen, the most frequently used mode of transport is still the car, which is not surprising considering the age of the youngsters involved. [* now every 30 minutes]

Q9 Is it difficult to join clubs or activities because of where you live? (74 responses)

	Yes	No
The 3 Parishes Combined	18	56

By Parish / Area			
Brightwell		-	1
Foxhall	Bucklesham Road	2	5
	Felixstowe Rd.	2	2
	North of Bucklesham Road	-	-
Purdis Farm	Bucklesham Road	-	9
	Felixstowe Rd. & Warren Heath Ave.	-	3
	Purdis Ave. & Purdis Farm Lane	2	1
	Warren Heath	10	32

Q10 How many use the Murrills Road play area (75 responses)

Yes No 52 23 The 3 Parishes Combined

"69% of the respondents said that they used the play area."

By Parish / Area			
Brightwell		-	1
Foxhall	Bucklesham Road	2	5
	Felixstowe Rd.	2	2
	North of Bucklesham Road	-	-
Purdis Farm	Bucklesham Road	9	2
	Felixstowe Rd. & Warren Heath Ave.	3	-
	Purdis Ave. & Purdis Farm Lane	1	3
	Warren Heath	33	9

"68% of those that use it live in Purdis Farm."

Q11 How they rate the Murrills Road play area (67 responses)

Very Good	Good	No Opinion	Bad	Very Bad
9	39	10	7	2

"72% of those who used it thought the area was either good or very good. Only 16% rated it bad, or very bad."

Q12 Is there a play area close enough to use? (75 responses)

Yes No 61 14 The 3 Parishes Combined

"81% of the youngsters felt that there was a play area near enough to use."

"The Murrills Road play area is the only designated play area in the three parishes."

Brightwell	-	1	
Foxhall	Bucklesham Road	-	5
	Felixstowe Rd.	2	2
	North of Bucklesham Road	-	-
Purdis Farm	Bucklesham Road	11	-
	Felixstowe Rd. & Warren Heath Ave.	3	-
	Purdis Ave. & Purdis Farm Lane	1	3
	Warren Heath	40	3

Q13 How do they think the countryside and wildlife could be improved in the Parish? (70 responses)

	Plant More Hedges	Plant More Trees	Create a Nursery from Local Seed	Develop Nature Reserves	Woodland Conser- vation	Heath land Conservation	Maintain Existing Hedges & Trees	Litter Picking	Encourage Wild Flower Verges
The 3 Parishes Combined	12	28	12	15	17	15	17	41	28

"Planting more trees, litter picking and encouraging wildflower verges, in descending order, were the three main areas of interest or concern about the rural environment."

By Parish /Area										
Brightwell		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Foxhall	Bucklesham Road	-	-	-	-	-		4	6	-
	Felixstowe Rd.	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	2
	North of Bucklesham Road	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Purdis Farm	Bucklesham Road	3	4	-	2	2	2	-	3	4
	Felixstowe Rd. & Warren Heath Ave.	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Purdis Ave. & Purdis Farm Lane	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	2
	Warren Heath	7	20	7	11	12	8	8	22	16

Q14 Who would be interested in volunteering to help improve the local environment? (66 responses)

20% of youngsters would be interested in volunteering - the majority of whom (77%) reside in the Warren Heath area

Q15 What concerns them most about the area? (75 responses)

Noise	Litter	Dog Fouling	Drunkenness	Gangs	Foul Language /Verbal Abuse	Threatening Behaviour	Mugging	Vandalism	Drugs / Substance Abuse	Speeding Vehicles	Nothing
22	37	28	9	27	21	14	8	25	11	43	9

"Speeding vehicles, followed by Litter, then Dog Fouling, are the primary areas of concern."

Q16 What aspects of the local area are important to them? (71 responses)

The Community	Countryside and Rural Environment	Peace and Quiet	Access to Ipswich or Felixstowe	Footpaths/Walking	Local Supermarket
22	29	23	25	21	13

"The two most important aspects overall are clearly the rural environment combined with the access to a town, with appreciation of peace and quiet coming a close third."

The following points were raised in the Youth Questionnaire under the free text comments section:

Background	Play Area Issue	General Issue	Action	Partners
This depends on the current behaviour of youths. Fortunately it seems to be a state which they grow out of as it does not appear to be a constant problem.	Yes	Yes	Report any instances of antisocial behaviour.	Residents, Police
In an effort to decrease, if not eliminate, this problem, dog bins have been provided around Warren Heath.	No	Yes	Report if bins are not being emptied or are missing their lids or otherwise damaged.	Residents, Suffolk Coastal District Council
This is also not a consistent problem.	Yes		Report any vandalism as soon as possible.	Residents, Police Suffolk Coastal District Council Parish Council
This is also not a persistent problem; however there have been instances of broken glass and hypodermic needles reported in the play area.	Yes		Report any litter particularly hazardous materials.	Suffolk Coastal District Council
There is limited space on the Warren Heath development for another play area as all parts (apart from a small area) have been developed.	Yes	Yes	Any further housing developments within the parishes must take additional play areas into consideration.	Residents, Suffolk Coastal District Council, Parish Council
Where these should be is not specified. Warren Heath has footpaths but no designated cycle ways. The roads linking the three parishes are not very cycle-friendly as they are quite narrow and used by heavy goods vehicles. Enquiries have been made about a footpath along the Felixstowe Road linking Warren Heath to The Shepherd and Dog but the cost is prohibitive particularly in the current economic climate.	No	No	Determine whether there is a real need for any extra pavements and explore areas of funding.	Residents, Parish Council
There have been reported incidences of this but again it is one of those happenings which are linked to specific people and is not a regular occurrence.			Report incidents to the Police.	Residents, Police
Instances of speeding occur throughout the three parishes.	No	Yes	Visual notices (static or illuminated) which respond to speed; speed checks.	Residents, Police
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