

The Neighbourhood Plan Open Day report for Aylesbeare Parish Council

2nd May 2015

1. The Open Day on Saturday 25th April proved to be successful with many people thanking the Parish Council and Steering Group members for a well presented and informative display.
2. Visitors to the Open Day were asked to sign in, and given a questionnaire which they were asked to complete after they had looked around, and place in a secure comments box.
3. Tea, coffee and biscuits were available for a nominal charge of 50p. The un-opened packets of biscuits were donated to the Church and £15.00 was raised for Topics.
4. A hiring charge of £80.00 was paid to the village hall, as this cost had been included in the bridging grant from Locality.
5. The number of people who signed in was 60. Some of these people lived outside the Parish and thus were not permitted to complete a questionnaire.
6. The number of questionnaires returned was 56 (48 lived in the village)
7. 49 people stated that they own their own home, 1 person rented, 6 did not complete
8. The analysis of the questionnaire can be seen below, but in general the answers to Question 4 (What development would you like to see?) was that
 - 34 people were in favour of development (61%)
 - 17 were against (30%)
 - 5 were neutral (9%)Question 5 (the village green proposal) was that
 - 33 were in favour of the village green proposal (59%)
 - 15 were against (27%)
 - 8 were neutral (14%)
9. There was overwhelming support for exploring the options to keep the pub open or replaced with a similar business
10. General themes from the comments;
 - Want better transport facilities
 - Better Community facilities
 - Anything to enhance the community spirit
 - Better broadband speeds
 - Better sports facilities

Traffic calming required and greater safety for walking on the roads
 Better car-parking and concern about parking in road
 Do not want to change the character of the village, but happy with small amount of development, particularly affordable housing and existing brown fill sites

<p>Question 1. What do you like about living in the Parish?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village life and community spirit • Ease of access to Exeter and coast • Quiet and rural location • Friendly people • The Church and village hall
<p>Question 2. Is there anything in the Parish that you dislike?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parking • The pub being closed and possible loss • Limited public transport • Lack of pub, shop, post-office and school • Lack of amenities • Speeding traffic • Loss of community spirit • The linear configuration • Poor maintenance of grass verges
<p>Question 3. How do you think Aylesbeare could be improved?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-opening of pub • Creating a central area / village green • Need a shop --- opening a community shop • Better public transport • Starting up youth group and toddlers group • Better broadband speed • By making sustainable with better facilities • More affordable housing • Traffic calming
<p>Question 4. What development would you like to see in the next 5 -10 years and the next 10 – 20 years?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 34 people were in favour of development (61%) • 17 were against (30%) • 5 were neutral (9%)

<p>Question 5. Can you please give your views on the village green proposal.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 33 were in favour of the village green proposal (59%) 15 were against (27%) 8 were neutral (14%)
<p>Question 6. Please tell us something about yourself. Do you own or rent your home and age group</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 49 people stated that they own their own home, 1 person rented, 6 did not complete • 2 people were aged under 30 years 27 people were aged between 31 -65 years 21 people were aged 65+ years 6 people did not complete