

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN



RESIDENTS QUESTIONNAIRE

RESPONSE RESULTS

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Background.

Following the introduction of the Localism Act the Parish Council, having debated the topic, sought advice on Neighbourhood Planning. This was provided by Andrew Towleron of YourLocale and Rebecca Harrison of City of York Council who both attended Parish Council meetings on 21.07.15 and 24.08.15 respectively. At the meeting held on 24.08.15 members discussed the manner in which we would consult with residents. It was agreed this would be via a questionnaire, samples of which were obtained via Rebecca Harrison from:- Rufforth with Knapton, Copmanthorpe, and Huntington. Members also agreed unanimously that, subject to residents' agreement, there should be a joint strategy group with Haxby Town Council.

A questionnaire was designed based around Huntington's but suitably adapted to reflect Wigginton Parish Councils thoughts. This was then printed and distributed by Your Local Link to all Wigginton residents, at a total cost of £ 250.00 including VAT.

A closing date of 1st November was set for residents to respond to the questionnaire. (If further replies are received after this date the results can be added).

Response

A total of 1125 questionnaires were distributed to Wigginton properties (a much higher number of questionnaires were distributed which included a number of Haxby properties because of boundary lines etc). In total 116 questionnaires have been returned 10%. This is a very representative number and reflects the interest of the residents and attitudes to a Neighbourhood Plan.

The views expressed are possibly the first ever sought on residents' thoughts about the village and should be reflected in any future plan. These views should be shared with City of York Council, Haxby and Wigginton Ward Committee- who are looking to set their own priorities and these views should not be lost on the committee, Haxby Town Council, The Health Centre, local churches, the Primary School, The Sports and Playing Fields Association and Haxby and Wigginton Youth and Community Association and of course the Neighbourhood Plan steering group. We should ensure that the Press have a prepared statement and that the results are uploaded to the web site. However as a great many do not use computers we should consider a survey response document perhaps using Local Link to distribute it. This information might also serve to influence developers.

Residents returned completed questionnaires mostly on foot to the Old School but also via Royal Mail and a few via email.

We need to respond to those residents who have indicated an interest in joining the steering group possibly by a meeting with them in order to carry out a selection process.

In order to produce this report 3200 pieces of information were analysed.

Overview of responses

Q1. What makes Wigginton a good place to live? (14 topics listed) see page 3

77% said it was low crime levels, 72% said it was that public transport, bus and rail, whilst 68% said it was well maintained footpaths etc. 60% said local shops, 55% said it was open spaces and 58% Health Services.

Q2 Which of the above need improving most? (14 topics listed) see page 3

64% said streets and footpaths, 33% think the Health Services need improving whilst 29% think public transport should be improved.

Other improvements received as written concerns see pages 4 & 5

56 residents responded covering 79 diverse topics.

14% wrote about streets and footpaths, 10% about speed of vehicles through the village and 10% consider parking to be a problem.

Q3. What would you like to see developed? (4 options in respect of housing) see page 6

Significantly the majority marked developments as the least priority. (option 4).

Of the 69 responses to Family housing 29% said they favoured this and of 67 responses 22% favoured small units for the young.

In addition 25% of the 68 responses would like to a mixture of units developed.

However 43% least favoured additional elderly housing and 31% least favoured both family and young persons housing.

Q4. Would you like to see (7 topics listed) see page 6

This question received the highest percentage results.

94% would like to see designated and protected green belt, 87% want green space and play areas within any developments, 67% want segregated pedestrian and cycle routes whilst 66% want to see drainage measures.

Q5. Should there be additional provision for (8 topics listed) see page 6

Not surprisingly 85% of respondents want to see improvements to existing roads and parking, whilst between 55 and 67% want to see provisions for public transport, footpaths and cycleways, land drainage and 51% improvements to medical facilities.

A further surprise result is that only 14% want to see additional designated commercial and employment areas.

Q6 Should we join Haxby for a joint Neighbourhood Plan? see page 6

A large majority, over 72% think we should.

Q7 Would you be prepared to join a steering group? see page 6

An even greater 86% said no to this question.

Q8 Names of volunteers see page 7 NOT FOR GENERAL RELEASE

15 residents said they would be interested in joining a steering group.

Q1 WHAT MAKES WIGGINTON A GOOD PLACE TO LIVE?	RESPONDED	Response	%
GOOD SCHOOLS	116	61	53
PARKS AND OPEN SPACES	116	64	55
AFFORDABLE DECENT HOUSING	116	32	28
LOCAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITES	116	16	14
PUBLIC TRANSPORT LINKS, BUS AND RAIL	116	84	72
WELL MAINTAINED STREETS AND FOOTPATHS	116	79	68
SPORTS AND LEISURE FACILITIES	116	19	16
NEAR-BY SHOPPING FACILITIES	116	70	60
COMMUNITY FACILITIES (REC HALL, OLD SCHOOL, PLAYING FIELDS)	116	39	34
WIDE RANGE OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES	116	23	20
OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE (11-18 YEARS)	116	13	11
OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN (UPTO 11YEARS)	116	8	7
HEALTH SERVICES (EG DOCTORS, DENTISTS)	116	67	58
LOW CRIME LEVELS	116	89	77

Circulated 1125
 Responces received 116
 % 10

Q2 WHICH OF THE ABOVE NEED IMPROVING MOST	RESPONDED	Response	%
GOOD SCHOOLS	116	9	8
PARKS AND OPEN SPACES	116	22	19
AFFORDABLE DECENT HOUSING	116	24	21
LOCAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITES	116	26	22
PUBLIC TRANSPORT LINKS, BUS AND RAIL	116	34	29
WELL MAINTAINED STREETS AND FOOTPATHS	116	74	64
SPORTS AND LEISURE FACILITIES	116	16	14
NEAR-BY SHOPPING FACILITIES	116	19	16
COMMUNITY FACILITIES (REC HALL, OLD SCHOOL, PLAYING FIELDS)	116	16	14
WIDE RANGE OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES	116	15	13
OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE (11-18 YEARS)	116	30	26
OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN (UPTO 11 YEARS)	116	16	14
HEALTH SERVICES (EG DOCTORS, DENTISTS)	116	38	33
LOW CRIME LEVELS	116	28	24

OTHER THINGS THAT NEED IMPROVING (WRITTEN COMMENTS)

RESPONSE	56
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COMMENTS	79
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1. Speed restrictions between the Black Horse and Recreation Hall
2. Better maintenance of footpaths and roads
3. Find somewhere for youths to go rather than tormenting shoppers outside the Co-Op.
4. Enforce speed limits on Mill Lane/The Village
5. Expand the Health Centre to provide minor surgery & diagnostic procedures
6. Reduce vehicle speed (20mph in Haxby & Wigginton), reduce signage at a stroke, no need for traffic calming measures
7. Cycle path on Wigginton Road down to the roundabout
8. Sign post by the pond pointing to the Parish church of St. Nicholas
9. Plant more trees and bulbs on the green and grass verges
10. Clean paths prosecuting those who fail to clear up dog mess
11. Improvements to Grasshoppers FC- insufficient parking, no facilities ie. Toilets and rubbish, Squash Club locked
12. Streets, roads & footpaths are in a terrible state of affairs and have never looked so bad-dangerous for elderly and cyclists
13. Some road and footpaths are in need of proper resurfacing
14. Stop parking on pavements blocking pedestrian footpaths
15. Street cleaner, drains unblocked, greater police presence (Not PCSO's)
18. Needs more houses on a planned but (but no plan), Needs access to a nearby railway station.
20. Keep snickets clean, street cleaner, more visible policing, enforcement of parking on drives-not roads
23. Better crossing at shop, reducing or slow down traffic through The Village/Mill Lane especially at peak times,
-junction at Mill lane/Westfield Lane is very busy- potential for accidents
24. Cannot get through on phone to make appointments at medical centre
25. Parking restrictions on Mill Lane and Ascot Drive near the dentist
26. Increase in one & two bedroom starter homes and flats for younger people ie less than £ 150,000.00
27. Awful sign outside the recreation hall
28. Dog bin required on Windsor Drive
29. More affordable housing
30. The pavements and footpaths are very uneven and make walking risky
31. The snickets need tidying- they are full of weeds and nettles
32. Create cycle/footpath from Mill Lane to outer ring road
33. More NHS Dentists
34. Improve pond
35. Cycle/footpath to York
36. Ring road congestion reduced-larger roundabout.
37. Surely there are services that both Wigginton & Haxby do separately, can a lot more joint co-operation be feasible to save time and money
38. Dog fouling
39. No further building development otherwise the village will lose its already threatened identity
40. The bus parking at Mill Lane terminus should be off the road where the allotments are to reduce congestion and improve safety
41. Traffic speed really needs calming on Mill Lane, Wigginton, three shunts in the past year- each with 3 vehicles- proximity of crossing to junction of
Westfield- Mill Lane
42. Checks on the speed of traffic between Wigginton and Haxby would be helpful, especially as I walk to the shops in Haxby.
43. Protect the green belt very important

44. Wigginton desperately needs a HARDWARE SHOP. We do not all have cars to visit Clifton Moor and cannot always get into York.
45. A path for cycling lane alongside Wigginton Road, from the traffic lights would be very useful & much safer.
46. Additional parking especially in shopping area
47. Parking may become a major issue if future development is allowed.
48. The condition of the roads and footpaths need immediate attention
49. Drainage issues
50. Pedestrian Crossing on Mill Lane for the Sports field/Squash club.
51. Corner Close desperately needs road resurfacing, hasn't been done for over 50 years
52. Wigginton has an excellent school but there is always room for improvement
53. There is a great need for more NHS dentists in the area
54. There's a very limited number of starter homes in Wigginton. Very difficult for young people to get on the housing ladder
55. Reduce the number of speed bumps. Keep them around the school and playgroup areas. Others are unnecessary
56. Create a pull in space for buses on Mill lane to avoid congestion and prevent accidents
57. Stop cars parking on the pavements-please.
58. Traffic island on Mill Lane opposite entrance to Windsor Drive and Castle Close, it is very difficult crossing as cars go too fast.
59. Keep Wigginton exclusive and ban any further developments and expansion. No affordable housing. Just look at the eyesore in Oaken Grove.
60. Cycle path on A 1363 towards York- too dangerous without.
61. Cycle path along Wigginton Road would be good
62. Get rid of the humps, very, very, very important.
63. Drains need improving as the roads flood everytime there is heavy rain.
64. Better restricted parking in vicinity of schools. Generally poorly maintained road markings around village
66. Conservation of wildlife habitats
67. Need better maintenance of grass verges and trees (not Old School, pond & Churchfields), improved signage, traffic calming not speed bumps.
70. No more housing-at capacity for infrastructure
71. Slow buses down through village and Walmer Carr, Police on beat- never see, remove plastic sign off Old School wall.
72. Cycle path on Wigginton Road-its is dangerous without.
75. Winter leaf collection
76. More activities for 50+ (Sports and recreation).
77. Buses good open Haxby station, too many pot holes
79. Good idea to have joint plan with Hxby provided that as they are larger they do not take over.

OTHER IMPROVEMENTS FOR WIGGINTON AS A WHOLE--ANALYSIS

		%
SPEED	8	10
STREETS/FOOTPATHS/SNICKETS	11	14
YOUTH/SPORTS ACTIVITIES	2	3
HEALTH/HEALTH CENTRE	4	5
SIGNAGE	4	5
TREES/PLANTING OUT	1	1
CYCLING	6	8
POND	1	1
ENVIRONMENT	3	4
JOINT CO-OPERATION	2	3
GREEN BELT	1	1
SCHOOLS	1	2

		%
STREET CLEANER	1	5
DRAINS	3	4
POLICE	3	4
AFFORDABLE PERSONS HOMES	4	5
DOG FOULING/DOG BINS	3	4
GRASSHOPPERS FC/WSPFA	1	1
PARKING	8	10
RING ROAD	1	1
ROAD/PEDESTRIAN SAFETY	5	6
NO FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS	3	4
SHOPS	1	2
TRAINS	2	2

Q3 WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE DEVELOPED

1=TOP- 4 =LEAST

	Total	1		2		3		4	
	RESPONDED	Response	%	Response	%	Response	%	Response	%
FAMILY HOUSING	70	20	29	19	27	9	13	22	31
SMALL UNITS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE	68	15	22	19	28	13	19	21	31
ELDERLY PERSONS HOUSING	68	13	19	7	10	19	28	29	43
A MIXTURE OF THE ABOVE ON THE SAME SITE	71	20	28	9	13	15	21	27	38

Q4 WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE

1=YES, 2= NOT BOTHERED, 3 =NO

	RESPONDED	YES		Not bothered		NO	
		Response	%	Response	%	Response	%
DESIGNATED AND PROTECTED GREEN BELT	97	91	94	5	5	1	1
GREEN SPACE AND PLAY AREAS WITHIN DEVELOPMENTS	92	80	87	9	10	3	3
SEGREGATED PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLE ROUTES	93	61	66	27	29	5	5
ENERGY SAVING MEASURES (SOLAR PANELS, INSULATION)	88	41	47	33	38	14	16
DRAINAGE MEASURES (RAINWATER HARVESTING, STORAGE PONDS)	93	55	59	30	32	8	9
TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES	94	31	33	17	18	46	49
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES	87	36	42	38	44	13	15

Q5 SHOULD THERE BE ADDITIONAL PROVISION FOR

1=YES, 2= NOT BOTHERED, 3 =NO

	RESPONDED	YES		Not bothered		NO	
		Response	%	Response	%	Response	%
SCHOOL PLACES	88	27	31	48	55	13	15
LOCAL SHOPS AND SERVICES (BANKS,ATM, POST OFFICE)	91	46	51	28	31	17	19
DESIGNATED COMMERCIAL AND EMPLOYMENT AREAS	84	12	14	44	52	27	32
IMPROVEMENTS TO EXISTING ROADS AND PARKING	96	82	85	11	11	4	4
PUBLIC TRANSPORT LINKS, BUS AND RAIL	85	47	55	27	32	12	14
FOOTPATH LINKS AND CYCLE ROUTES	90	60	67	25	28	6	7
LAND DRAINAGE	92	62	67	25	27	5	5
MEDICAL FACILITIES	92	47	51	27	29	18	20

Q6 SHOULD WE JOIN HAXBY FOR A JOINT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

RESPONDED	YES		NO	
	Response	%	Response	%
109	78	72	31	28

Q7 WOULD YOU BE PREPARED TO JOIN A STEERING GROUP

see page 7 for contact details

RESPONDED	YES		NO	
	Response	%	Response	%
107	15	14	92	86

AGE GROUPS

AGE 0-6	6 to 18	19-30	31-40	41-60	61-80	81+
7	12	4	9	45	59	8