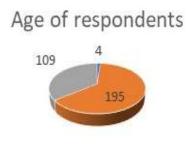


## Survey Results from Survey Monkey and Holybourne Village Magazine - June - August 2023

#### Q1 About You

	No.	% of total
I am aged under 18	4	1%
I am aged 18-65	195	63%
I am over 65	109	35%
Not responded	1	0%
Our household has at least one person in full/part time employment	150	49%
Our household members are retired	115	37%
We have children in the household	72	23%
Total responses	309	



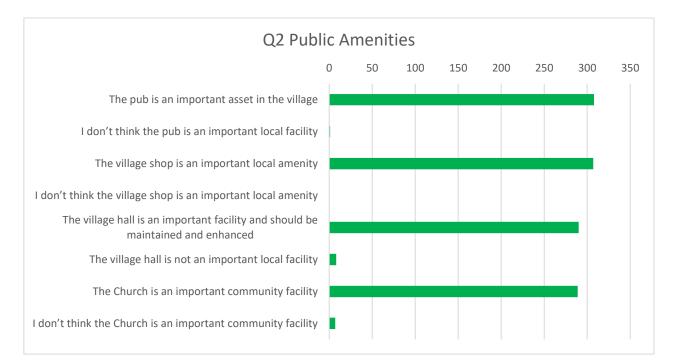
- I am aged under 18 I am aged 18-65
- = I am over 65

Please let us know which road you live on

Road in Holybourne	No.	Boode where recoordents live
Anstey Mill Close	1	Roads where respondents live
Bonhams Close	3	0 20 40 60 80
Brockham Hill Lane	1	0 20 40 80 80
Carpenters Close	1	Anstey Mill Close
Church Lane	20	Bonhams Close
Claines Street	1	Brockham Hill Lane
Complins	20	Carpenters Close
Cranford Drive	13	Church lane
Downs View	15	Claines Street
Garstons Way	4	Complins
Gaskell Close	8	Cranford Drive
Goswell Square	1	Downs View
Grange Gardens	1	Garstons Way
Howard's Lane	22	Gaskell Close
Inhams Road	10	Goswell Square
London Road	71	Grange Gardens
Lower Neatham Mill Lane	6	Howard's Lane
Malthouse Mews	2	Inhams Road
New Paddock Close	3	London Road
Old Odiham Road (HR Church)	1	Lower Neatham Mill Lane
Pentons Close	15	Malthouse Mews New Paddock Close
Rakemakers	11	Old Odiham Road (I attend
Smithy Close	2	Pentons Close
Thornton End	9	Rakemakers
Twitchens Road	1	Smithy Close
Upper Neatham Mill Lane	18	Thornton End
Vindomis Close	12	Upper Neatham Mill Lane
(blank)	37	Vindomis Close
Total responses	309	

# Q2 Public Amenities in the village

The pub is an important asset in the village	308	100%
I don't think the pub is an important local facility	1	0%
The village shop is an important local amenity	307	99%
I don't think the village shop is an important local amenity	0	0%
The village hall is an important facility and should be maintained and enhanced	290	93%
The village hall is not an important local facility	8	3%
The Church is an important community facility	289	93%
I don't think the Church is an important community facility	7	2%

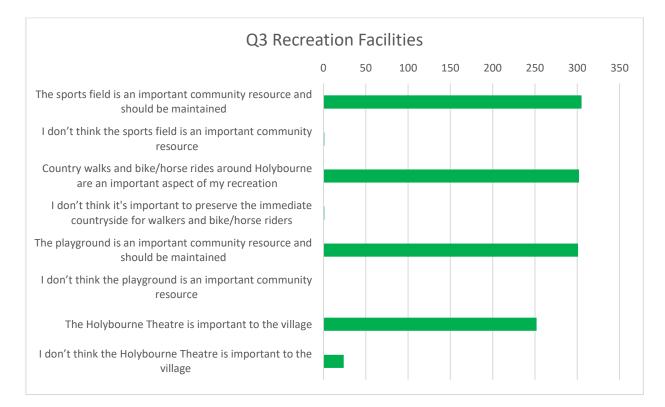


- I came to live here because I like it as it is.
- I would also consider Andrews Endowed School and Eggars to be important local amenities and impact of any development on educational facilities should be considered.
- All are essential.
- Add playground and cricket club as other village amenities that should be maintained.
- Cricket club is an asset and do is the farm with farm walk. The play park is a huge asset to the village.
- They all create a centre for people to meet.
- The many schools help attract younger families.
- The Theatre is a great asset.
- The Conservation Area is also an amenity.
- The village school must be kept in good order.
- Silly questions. Answers are obvious.
- These 4 make up the bones of our village.
- I have ticked the village hall as being important but that is an assumption as the major activity that goes in there seems to be the nursery. How vital is this, does it bring income to the village as well as providing the nursery facility for local parents?
- Countryside access and amenities
- The cricket club is an important recreational club in the village.
- The post office in the village shop is extremely important.
- Local garage Suzuki and the park we love.
- I really enjoy living in the village with a shop and post office.
- Access to walks in the village also important.
- All add to the charm.
- Holybourne is the most friendly and family-oriented place I've ever known.
- It is important that Holybourne retains its character as a whole and not part of Alton.
- Lack of a more frequent bus service into Alton is an issue. If we had one then perhaps the need for multi-car homes would be reduced and with it congestion on London arias in particular.
- Loss of any of the above amenities would be detrimental to the concept of what an English rural village is and should be retained at all costs.
- Open spaces too are important.
- Our village hall is lovely, however there are occasions when a larger hall with plenty of parking would be good.
- Perhaps the Village Hall needs to be in a different location...shared location with Cricket Club?
- Sell the village hall and buy the sports field then build a new social and sports centre.

- The open fields are a wonderful asset to the village for walks, nature walks with children and mental well-being.
- The rural public footpaths and the Cricket Club are also important local amenities.
- The Village hall is to small and no parking.
- The village pond also hugely important as a place for contemplation, it has a huge appeal to hundreds of people as a place of calm.
- These facilities give the village character, meeting points and a valued sense of community.
- We are very fortunate to have all these amenities in a small village.
- Whilst I don't use the hall or church at the moment I believe all of the above are needed as facilities to maintain be community links.
- For me the shop is the most important local amenity.
- Interested to know usage of village hall i.e. are we utilising it fully?
- These amenities are all very much part of the village.
- The White Hart, village shop, church and village hall are vital components of the village as will be providing meeting points for residents.
- Maintain the wide range of amenities that covers all ages and requirements.
- And we were well supported by all those during lockdown and realised their worth
- We support all the village amenities.
- The current facilities in the village I believe are an asset and sufficient for our current needs.
- Cannot cope with many more houses being built.
- The playgrounds, the cricket/sports field and the open fields for walking are all very important to the happiness of the village residents.
- Asset of Post Office within village shop. These are what makes Holybourne a village. (With extra housing, just a suburb of Alton!)
- We need to keep our village shop and post office as a lot of villages have no shop.
- All of these facilities, along with the school are essential to the beating heart of the village.

# **Q3 Recreation Facilities**

The sports field is an important community resource and should be maintained	305	99%
I don't think the sports field is an important community resource	1	0%
Country walks and bike/horse rides around Holybourne are an important aspect		
of my recreation	303	98%
I don't think it's important to preserve the immediate countryside for walkers and		
bike/horse riders	0	0%
The playground is an important community resource and should be maintained	301	97%
I don't think the playground is an important community resource	0	0%
The Holybourne Theatre is important to the village	252	82%
I don't think the Holybourne Theatre is important to the village	24	8%

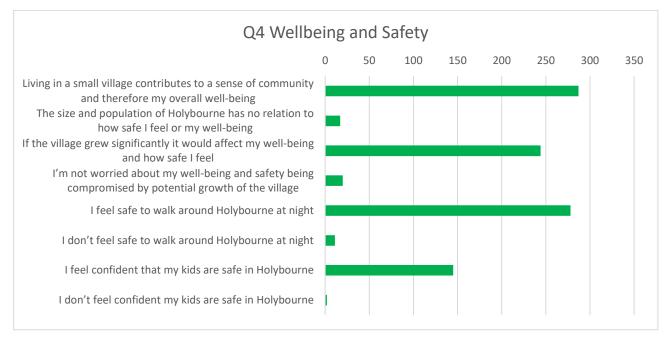


- Being able to walk straight into the countryside is a real bonus.
- Recreation for all, especially children is needed to improve fitness and mental health, with all the concerns over the aftermath of Covid any recreational facility must be treasured and kept at all costs.
- All the above makes Holybourne a lovely Community
- Great to have an active theatre
- The footpaths and St Swithun's Way are really important!
- A coffee shop/cafe in the village would provide a useful facility for socialising for all age groups.
- And the cricket field
- I have 2 dogs and walk twice daily one reason I moved to Holybourne was the country walks and hills and I think this is a very important space for people to be able to reconnect with nature this is really important to me to have these spaces available locally
- The cricket club is important to the village
- All these facilities in questions 2 and 3 is what makes the village vibrant and gives it a sense of community
- Whilst I do not use the playground or Theatre, I think they represent a vibrant and multisectored village

- I'm neutral re Holybourne Theatre, I go along to support and enjoy, but would be lower on list of village priorities.
- These are community and leisure facilities which enhance the wellbeing of inhabitants
- I don't walk or cycle much as I am disabled, but I still believe that there should be walks and routes to cycle for the benefit of others in the community
- All are essential
- I've watched and enjoyed many pantomime in the theatre and my children were all involved as children
- The countryside with its amenities is an important part of life for the wellbeing of all and should be kept as such. It was a lifeline to many during the lockdowns
- The cricket club is also very important and should be maintained
- Public access to the countryside is the most important facility for me.
- Could we create other facilities e.g. tennis, bowls, landscaped areas
- I very much enjoy my country walks over the fields to see nature and the changing seasons
- All the recreations facilities are well used and the number of different walks around Holybourne attract people from outside the village
- Recreation diversity essential to maintain and matched to community population
- Again, lockdown made us more aware of the importance of having green space and access to the countryside for our health and welfare. Also important to note that two major footpaths pass across the fields The Pilgrims Way - Winchester to Canterbury and St Swithun's Way - Winchester to Farnham
- We walk every day all around Holybourne and surrounding countryside. We do not wish to see it spoilt by large housing estates which is only about greed!!
- The walks around the village for those who walk dogs, beneficial for health both physical and mental
- Could some of the HVA funds be used for village planters (flowers) and soft landing under the zip wire?
- Holybourne is a beautiful village, and the surrounding countryside is also beautiful and needs to be preserved at all costs.
- A young person needs to play and let off steam apart from school.
- Very important for children, cricket club etc. etc.
- All vital to attracting people who will live here.

# Q4 Wellbeing and Safety

Living in a small village contributes to a sense of community and therefore my overall well-being	287	93%
The size and population of Holybourne has no relation to how safe I feel or my well-		
being	17	6%
If the village grew significantly it would affect my well-being and how safe I feel	244	79%
I'm not worried about my well-being and safety being compromised by potential growth		
of the village	20	6%
I feel safe to walk around Holybourne at night	278	90%
I don't feel safe to walk around Holybourne at night	11	4%
I feel confident that my kids are safe in Holybourne	145	47%
I don't feel confident my kids are safe in Holybourne	2	1%



- I feel less safe than I once did due to the increased population bringing increased interest in the park, walks and recreation grounds from youths and strangers since new housing areas adjoining the village have been built.
- I don't have kids but as once kid in Holybourne I always felt very safe on my own and with my friends.
- I am happy about a reasonable amount of development but not on the scale that appeared in the exhibition.
- My children were able to explore the villages independently and safely. (They are now grown up).
- A village should remain a village and not be swept up in the misguided planning view that green spaces are fair game, and a village can be swallowed up in a larger conurbation, Alton in this case..
- The children I care for are too young to be left unsupervised.
- My Grandchildren love the playground.
- I would not feel safe to walk at night or assume kids are safe anywhere.
- Personally I wouldn't walk around Holybourne in the night or allow my children to.
- If the village grows considerably I am likely to move away
- I want to live in a semi-rural setting.
- I'm not sure the village does have a great community, cliques yes & mostly intolerance.
- Holybourne is a safe village for people of all ages to walk around at any time of the day and night.
- More lighting
- Very poorly worded questions which are biased towards protectionism.
- I love how friendly everyone is in Holybourne.
- I moved to Holybourne because it was a village, and I have seen the number of houses double in the 30 years I have been here. I think that adding a large number of houses would dramatically change the feeling of safety and community.

- An inevitable increase in traffic would significantly impact the village.
- There are a number of areas of safety traffic increases being the most significant hazard to me but there are other safety issues potentially relevant should there be significant increase to population.
- I moved to Holybourne because it is a distinct village not a suburb of Alton.
- Police patrolling would be great again! Bring back the village bobby!
- Potholes on Brockham hill need to be repaired.
- Recent boy racer activity has threatened the safety angle.
- The traffic through Holybourne is already busy and there is a huge cause for concern what effect an extra development would have on the safety of our roads and pedestrians.
- There is a truly wonderful community here, with support via WhatsApp and Facebook. Everyone shares information, and things they want to give away for free. You can ask for information and advice and people are always there with an answer. There are many different groups to join in that help build the community. I've never lived anywhere like this before and value and respect all of it.
- We moved here to get out of polluted Woking. More traffic clogging up London Road means more pollution and poorer health.
- I live alone and feel safe in Holybourne at all times, except when walking along the very narrow pavement on London Road.
- Think these are different aspects to consider separately.
- I feel unsafe walking along Howard's lane and Church Lane due to speeding vehicles.
- I am 1.5 miles out of the village so difficult to answer this.
- Road safety vital to maintain as is access for all emergency services NB The Treloar's School and College for disabled young people.
- In Holybourne people say hello when they pass one another; it doesn't happen in larger villages and towns whose people just become anonymous.
- Building more housing would deter me from walking around Holybourne on my own.
- Large changes to the current status quo would reverse the above comments.
- I have been resident in Holybourne for 52 years and the prospect of a development of 200 houses fills me with dread.

# Q5 Travel

London Road is becoming a traffic bottleneck	273	88%
London Road traffic is fine, I don't think there is an issue	18	6%
Parking is a major problem on London Road	253	82%
Parking on London Road is not an issue	22	7%
It is important to reduce the speed limit on London Road to 20mph	226	73%
It is important that children can safely walk/cycle to school	252	82%
It is important to be able to walk/cycle safely on London Road, Howards Lane, and		
Church Lane	287	93%
We need more cycling specific infrastructure in Holybourne	81	26%



- London road is also a rat run with traffic often speeding at either end of the village posing risk to pedestrians and cyclists crossing or on the road in these places. The bottle necking of the cars and vans parked on each side of London road act as a natural traffic calming
- Walking and cycling provide so much freedom in Alton and Holybourne. Feeling safe to do that from a young age is vital for freedom and confidence. 20mph roads are proven to be significantly safer and with narrow roads and a school I think it would greatly improve the safety and pleasantness of walking/cycling in the village.
- Parking is a problem as drivers don't understand the Highway Code and always think they have priority.
- I would not necessarily suggest 20mph on the whole of London Road, but the area around the Church Lane and Howard's Lane junctions would be an excellent idea.
- As much as I would like to see safe cycling lanes (particularly for children) I cannot see how they could be implemented in Holybourne as it is.
- Many people living on London Rd. do not have anywhere else for their cars.
- Some public transport would help reduce the number of cars.
- 20mph on Howards & Church Lane too
- It is absolutely essential that cars refrain from parking on the yellow lines but the school. When they do it is impossible to see clearly when exiting Howards Lane. I have repeatedly called the school who agree but are powerless. This will cause a serious accident at some stage.
- We need to encourage people to walk on the correct side of the road. The parked cars on London Road reduce speeding.
- If you complain about the traffic on London Road the council will put in double yellows and parking fines
- A lot of focus on speed has been around the school however near the park and cricket club the road widens and speed increases near areas where children.

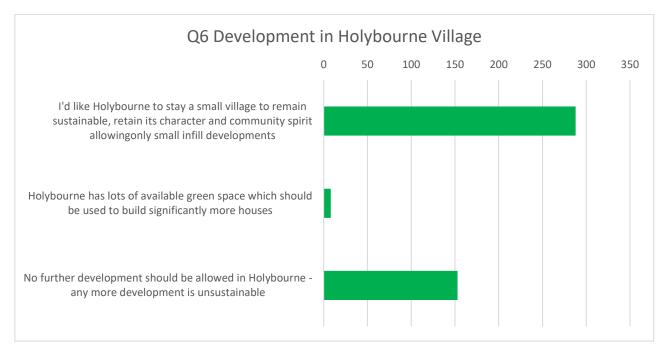
- The cars parked on London road will slow the traffic down.
- It gets very hairy at times. You have to be very patient.
- I was told that nothing would be done unless someone was killed on a few occasions. Surely we should be preventing this. School traffic Treloar's taxis and parents dropping off are a huge issue. No one observes the speed limit.
- Cycle routes are generally dangerous if they take a chunk out of the road, only dedicated cycle routes are safe so not appropriate here better off on the road.
- Double yellow line all London road and provide land for car park for residents and charge 50 a year per person and use money to improve Holybourne.
- The number of cars parked near the shop / pub slows traffic. We've seen the opposite with traffic speeding up in pentons close with cars not being allowed to park at the entrance.
- Bikes lane would be impractical but lowering speed would help.
- I don't cycle as it's dangerous especially at school time.
- Think pedestrians should have priority on the footpaths.
- I live on Howards Lane and getting onto London Road has become a lottery cars come up London Road increasingly fast and the current situation is an accident waiting to happen. A 20mph speed limit would make this junction a great deal safer.
- I dislike cyclists.
- Parents collecting children from schools leave engines running to keep warm affects our air quality.
- Hampshire is way behind on providing safe cycle routes.
- I say parking is not an issue on London Road as it has the consequence of slowing traffic down. I have 2 sons who walk to school, and it can be dangerous with speeding cars. However more housing would mean more cars on the road and gridlock with current parking.
- I think the parking on London road actually helps slow cars down as the have to stop to let others pass. If there was no or limited parking, people would drive much faster.
- Inconsiderate parking on the road is a problem. Not all parking
- It's important to be safe cycling everywhere!
- Living in Cranford Drive I feel fortunate not to have to drive through the village on a daily basis, and I also rarely need to park on London Road, but it really is a bottleneck, and I would feel more comfortable if it were a 20mph, particularly now my children are at an age that they would like some independence to go out on bikes etc. I currently feel very nervous when they cycle through the village.
- London Rd traffic is appalling at peak times and pretty bad the rest of the time. Yes it would be good to have a safe route for cyclists, but I don't see how. Also I don't see how the parking on London Rd could be reduced without taking away access to the amenities.
- London Road has always been busy since it was the A31! Parking provision needs a review; without clogging up the side roads, which cannot cope already!
- London Road is only a problem at certain times of day.
- More cycling infrastructure would be good, but cannot think where it go, or how it could work given the lack of space.
- Parking is an issue on parts of London Road
- The difficulty of driving through the village helps to slow and reduce through traffic.
- The on-road parking creates a natural speed reducing system. A 20kg limit would be good too.
- Traffic in Holybourne is already a problem.
- Two dangerous junctions at Church Lane and Howards Lane, mostly lack of visibility why no mirror? Can HVA install?
- While I am a big advocate of cycling I think an increase in designated cycling infrastructure could have a negative impact on pedestrian safety and create conflict with existing vehicle and pedestrian traffic.
- I walk and cycle in Holybourne. Many cars parked along London Road makes cycling safely difficult, but not impossible. A 20mph limit would be a very good idea.
- The traffic around the pub and post office is already an issue with some larger vehicles getting stuck at different times. This will only become worse with further development.
- Parking solution needed for primary school as major disruption to village now.
- A 20mph speed limit urgently needs to be introduced in Howards Lane
- The parking at times is extremely dangerous especially when cars do not give way as appropriate. Furthermore once vehicles have got pass the parking hotspots they really speed towards Binstead etc at this end of the village.
- A 20mph speed limit urgently needs to be implemented in Howards Lane

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- Parking in London Road is getting worse.
- The density of traffic is becoming troublesome sometimes even dangerous.
- People who work at the Lawns or Treloar college should park on their work premises where there is ample parking instead of on London Road for convenience.
- Can we consider parking permits or allowing driveways to be added to front of houses to alleviate parking issues? No good just adding yellow lines doesn't solve problems has made speeding worse!
- The proposed 1200 house development would result in approx. 2000+ more vehicles on London Road
- We do not need more cycling infrastructure in Holybourne!
- My 10-year-old son is registered severely sight-impaired the number of cars parked in the village and driving through the village makes it dangerous for him to walk anywhere on his own.
- The infrastructure for another 1500-2000 cards is just not sustainable.
- If there are roadworks or accidents on the A31, the village becomes the diversion route and a complete traffic jam. The refuse lorry can only just get through now, more cars from large housing development would add to the problem.
- There are far too many cars parked on London Road, also far too much traffic. It would get worse with more housing.
- London Road cannot cope with an increase in traffic. The A31 was shut recently, and the traffic jam was terrible as they diverted through the village making it unsafe for pedestrians.
- When the A31 is closed, London Road becomes very dangerous, unsafe for walkers or cyclists. Currently too many "speeders".
- Generally parked cars slow traffic, which is good!
- Safe and accessible paths for disabled and wheelchair users.
- Older people and school children find the speed of cars frightening crossing the road.
- Part of our rationale for moving was to be closer to the Alton end of London Road

# Q6 Development in Holybourne Village

I'd like Holybourne to stay a small village to remain sustainable, retain its character and community spirit allowing only small infill developments	288	93%
Holybourne has lots of available green space which should be used to build significantly more houses	8	3%
No further development should be allowed in Holybourne - any more development is unsustainable	153	50%



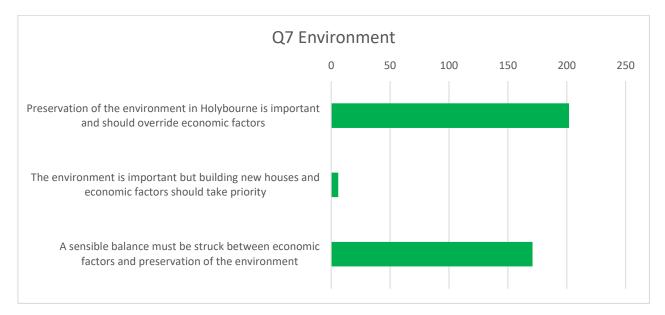
- Small infill = no more than 4 houses
- I appreciate development is required but feel strongly that it should be proportionate to the existing size of the village and should not change the culture or aesthetic.
- Holybourne has already been significantly expanded in terms of housing in the 14 years we have lived here. Some limited infill of sites inside the existing boundary would be ok. Significant numbers of new houses would overwhelm the road infrastructure, and the primary school. This would lead to even worse traffic problems and increased danger to pedestrians and cyclists (it is already bad at rush hour). In addition, any creep outside of the boundary would set a precedent that in my opinion would facilitate additional approvals in the future eroding the village 'feel' and green spaces.
- We moved into our new house in 1990. Since then there has been a few smallish developments mainly between London rod and the bypass these were accepted and probably improved the village overall.
- infills should be of affordable housing/smaller units that are built in a design in keeping with the style of the village.
- It is important to work with neighbouring parishes which boarder ours do building dues not impinge on the closest proximity of parish boundary borders. These bring the parts of our village area we wish to preserve.
- If further developments are allowed it would no longer be a community and more traffic.
- London Road is already a real challenge, and any future developments should ensure that this problem is not increased by additional traffic of any sort but especially lorries and similar sized vehicles using it as a short cut to Alton. When A31 issues arise traffic diverts through the village and blocks the London Road as the additional drivers all want to push through without any of the courtesy of letting others through to proceed that villagers display.
- If it expands with further development, it will lose the quaint village feel.
- We need to provide more affordable 3 bed homes that can accommodate young families.
- Obviously we must provide more housing but in moderation. There is a huge sense of community which has become stronger through lockdowns and must be maintained.
- I moved here to enjoy the countryside walks immediately accessible from the road. These will be lost.

- I do enjoy the small village feel of Holybourne HOWEVER when we do decide to move as a family in the next year or so we have been priced out of the village. We will unfortunately have to move elsewhere for our next step up the property ladder. When houses do come on the market asking prices of £1m for a family home in this village is crazy and I suspect small infill developments will be un-affordable for an existing Holybourne family too.
- Three extreme choices above. Need some growth or we die, but must expand facilities, roads etc in line.
- We don't need executive homes for those escaping London, we need small affordable homes for locals.
- Small scale developments could be considered including low-cost housing for local youngsters.
- Holybourne is at capacity in terms of infrastructure, particularly sewage.
- Any development means more traffic, can Holybourne handle that, I do not think so.
- One of the major issues with development is the traffic situation which is already at breaking point.
- I am not averse to sympathetic development.
- Some development will help the village, maybe not 'significant', given the terrible access through London Road.
- Holybourne's single biggest issue is, 'I'm ok, nimbyism'.
- In the last 30 years the number of houses here has doubled. I think we have already just about had all the development we can take. There are already problems with the sewers and draining water in the wet weather. There are insufficient facilities (e.g. GPs dentists and hospital services) for the current population and more development would be unrealistic and damaging.
- Further development would require the infrastructure to go with it. I am very aware of the housing needs and know we can't just take a 'Not In My Back Yard' type approach, but we live in such a beautiful village, and having the countryside on our step is a huge part of that, which I would hate to be compromised.
- It is a village, and it should stay that way, not a suburb of Alton.
- The conservation area needs better protection against tree felling and development.
- Some further development is probably inevitable, but the rural nature of the village is very well worth retaining, e.g. the field at the end of Church Lane opposite the church and pond gives a rural feeling of being able to see the fields, etc and building on that field would make it rather claustrophobic.
- A limited amount of lower cost housing is important to keep the village accessible to younger families.
- Additional traffic would be horrendous and dangerous.
- Can there be some infilling of green spaces?
- It feels Nimbyist but Holybourne doesn't have the infrastructure to support major developments.
- My answer to this question sits somewhere between lots of green spaces and infill developments only. Population size increases mean affordable housing is at an all-time low, and we can't keep the 'not in my backyard' mentality. Whilst I would hate to see our green spaces dwindle, pushing the problem to neighbouring localities is not the answer. There needs to be a plan to manage expansion thoughtfully with a view to committing to some development to meet the needs of a growing population, whilst trying to preserve the character of the village.
- Roads cannot cope with more traffic.
- Small developments of starter home type preferred. Do not see need for executive homes.
- The large housing developments proposed are simply driven by greed and we do not want or need them in Holybourne.
- The reason for moving from Alton town was to live in a village.
- The road cannot sustain any more big builds.
- This village will be a part of Alton in 15 years if we are not careful.
- We already struggle to get doctors or dentist appointments. More development would just make it worse.
- I designed and built an 'infill' modern house in Howard's Lane, so I do not disapprove of small developments. Huge estates are not to be recommended in the village.
- Building initially should be built on brown area sites for instance, manor farm before green belt areas.
- The infrastructure cannot support further development the roads are too narrow!
- The roads in Holybourne were never originally meant for cars and Church Lane and Howard's lane do not have pavements and are totally unsuitable for any additional traffic.
- I am concerned about the infrastructure such as drains and what appears regular water leaks in London road.

- Howards Lane and Church Lane are too narrow to support an increase in traffic.
- Brownfield sites acceptable for building e.g. behind the garage (Pentons Close)
- Even more traffic would be a danger listed buildings/walls at risk due to the cards mounting curbs! Parking at moment is limiting emergency vehicles, prams, wheelchairs. This would get worse with further developments.
- Parking is an issue on side roads near the primary school at school drop off and pick up times.
- Typically households have 2-3 cars, and any substantial build is not viable.
- i.e. one or two houses here and there. Traffic -wise, the village can't take many more cars parked on London Road
- There are enough estates in our small village. It cannot cope with anymore without ruining it.
- Even with small developments the current infrastructure would not cope.
- Tory housing policy is poorly targeted and poorly applied. The rush to cover S England with unsuitable dwellings is now widely criticised.
- None of the above! Some carefully considered green-field houses.
- No further significant development is needed.
- Small infill developments only. To cover the downs with housing, traffic absolutely unsustainable, and loss of green space a tragedy.
- Large developments of houses could be a major problem to the village with infrastructure not able to meet the needs e.g. the roads, sewerage, traffic build up.
- The roads are dangerous and far too overcrowded. People drive too fast on London Road.

# Q7 Environment

Preservation of the environment in Holybourne is important and should override economic factors	202	65%
The environment is important but building new houses and economic factors should		
take priority	6	2%
A sensible balance must be struck between economic factors and preservation of		
the environment	171	55%

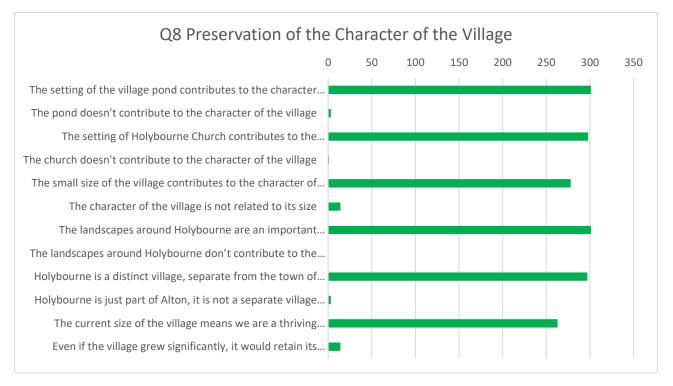


- Most town and village developments lead to ugliness and loss of the goodness. Look at Farnham monstrosity development. Overriding the will of the people. For what ? Money grabbing and ego selfish little dictators.
- Economic factors never lend themselves to a sensible balance therefore they should not drive decision making. Decision making should be based on population needs and proportionate development to avoid destruction of character and communities. There would also be a negative economic impact to the existing village should the character and shape of the village be markedly changed.
- Holybourne's green spaces being visitors to the area from all local villages and towns. The current infrastructure doesn't support any large-scale development but would also ruin one of the few easily accessible areas to visit the countryside.
- Additionally new buildings should only be allowed if the necessary infrastructure-water-power-data lines, etc are in place along with required services -transport (buses)-schools-GP capacity-are in place and geared up accordingly.
- We have to work towards a circular and sustainable economic model not one that prioritises growth above everything.
- If we ruin the environment, everything else is insignificant.
- Who decides what is sensible?
- Building on farmland is contrary to any economic factors!?!
- Difficult to quantify what a sensible balance is. Holybourne should be kept as a village and not a suburb of Alton.
- Pollution within the village was not a problem when I moved here in 1994, not were speeding cars on London Road such a problem and there was sufficient parking. Recent yellow lines have squeezed parking which is hard for people who live in the older houses in the village with nowhere else to park. Also one of the new estates has people parking on London Road as the Council has not adopted their roads so they can clamp people who park there. This just pushes the problem out to London Road. We need to ensure there is sufficient parking as people need cars in this part of the country.
- Not sure what the 'economic factors' are in this context.
- Really important to have a sustainable balance between development and preservation of the surrounding ecosystems.
- This is a really tricky issue. I would love to live out my days in a true Hampshire Village.

- Holybourne has already had its fair share of development. London Road cannot cope with any more traffic than it currently carries and putting more double yellow lines down is not the answer.
- World needs to keep arable land.
- The countryside around Holybourne is vital for native wildlife. We must preserve native habitats.
- The situation of the village with fields, woods, river, and pond are invaluable. Living healthy for body and mind
- The environment is a factor to economics. If we don't look after it we will pay e.g. flooding, erosion.
- Drainage and flooding at full capacity (protection)
- I feel Holybourne has over built. There are other villages which have not.
- We cannot escape future growth, but it has to be sustainable and not cause and imbalance.
- We have already significantly contributed housing development. "Identify paradise and put up a
  parking lot!"
- It's not simply economics there is a housing shortage! Community led housing would be ideal IMO.
- It is important to preserve the countryside with the wildlife and habitat.
- Sensible means a few houses where land is available and not mass development.

# Q8 Preservation of the Character of the village

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The setting of the village pond contributes to the character of the village	301	97%
The pond doesn't contribute to the character of the village	3	1%
The setting of Holybourne Church contributes to the character of the village	298	96%
The church doesn't contribute to the character of the village	1	0%
The small size of the village contributes to the character of the village	278	90%
The character of the village is not related to its size	14	5%
The landscapes around Holybourne are an important aspect of the character of the		
village	301	97%
The landscapes around Holybourne don't contribute to the character of		
Holybourne	0	0%
Holybourne is a distinct village, separate from the town of Alton, with its own		
character	297	96%
Holybourne is just part of Alton, it is not a separate village with its own character	3	1%
The current size of the village means we are a thriving community, a significant		
increase in size would threaten this	263	85%
Even if the village grew significantly, it would retain its feeling of a strong		
community	14	5%



- Maintaining the community feel is so important to me.
- Keep it as it is. A gem
- Infill feels like the only way to sensibly both allow for development but also preserve the distinctive character of the village and community.
- It must be made perfectly clear in my opinion Alton and Holybourne must be kept separate on all issues Holybourne is not a suburb of Alton.
- The village can't take any more cars!
- The pond and church are an asset especially for weddings which draws people here.
- If the field development around London Road were to happen, we would move away, and move our business elsewhere, as the reason to be here would be removed.
- Holybourne could easily lose its village feel and distinction from Alton if lots of development is undertaken in Alton and Holybourne
- No to significant increase but need some.

- Better off with self-build or small developments, to maintain character & individually, not big modern, slum estates of large houses.
- The number of houses (infilled) has doubled since we lived here, without extending services or amenities?
- The term significantly affects answers to this. Development needs to be in keeping with maintaining the life and style of the village.
- If Holybourne were to grow significantly it would be absorbed into Alton and lose its identity and the traffic would be unsustainable. The surrounding countryside is one of the main reasons people live here, and also visit from Alton, and it should be preserved for that reason, as well as for the sake of wildlife and farming.
- Again, 'significant' growth is likely to be problematic, but some should be welcomed if infrastructure (roads) are made easier to use.
- Be careful (extra) regarding Veolia site. Don't get carried away. More questions to be asked I think i.e. why at Holybourne?
- Direct access into the countryside must be maintained.
- I don't want to live in an ageing population museum. Life changes and grows.
- Many people choose to live here because of its setting and size. This could potentially change drastically. It would not have the characteristics that we want for our families.
- See previous comments around development we simply don't have the infrastructure for more development. We already lost the "strategic gap" between Alton and Holybourne when the Barley Fields development was built. We should not have the same proportion of housing to be built in Hampshire as other counties that don't have land taken up by a national park as there is here.
- The church and the pond are outstandingly beautiful and a source of peace and calm not only to Holybourne residents but to any walkers and visitors.
- The last question is difficult to answer as I feel there is a balance. The village had a strong sense of community, and I would hope this would remain, even in the event of further development.
- The main road through the village is struggling to cope now with parking and traffic any further housing will bring it near to deadlock.
- We are not against the development unless it is not a soulless block of flats. Another court with new affordable and sustainable houses would not be a threat to the village spirit.
- Would have liked a sliding range for answers to show strength of feeling rather than black or white answers.
- Wording here is questionable i.e. re size 'could' threaten rather than 'would' as things can be done to retain community.
- I understand that film companies often film scenes around the pond.
- Just walking round the village whichever route one takes is lovely, refreshing, and friendly
- The main issue is transport layout and disruption,
- An increase in traffic on Brockham Hill Lane is a concern is a single-track road being used as a cutthrough often at 60mph.
- Safe and secure. Village obligation to the Remembrance Service and maintaining the remembrance memorial.
- If the village grew significantly it would cease to be a village and the sense of community would disappear
- Andrew Endowed school and Eggars cannot accommodate more children, the classes are big enough, the traffic is horrendous.
- The worry is we would just become "Alton" and lose the village and its character.
- For years planning policy has sought to keep Holybourne separate from Alton
- Having lived in the village 43 years, it is important to keep us as a nice rural village but modern in our outlook not swallowed into Alton.

# Q9 What other Strategic Issues would you like to highlight?

- I feel Holybourne wouldn't have the infrastructure to support a larger village. The sewage system is already at capacity. Getting Dr's appointments takes weeks sometimes.
- Holybourne is a village near Alton and has taken a lot of new development e.g. Barley fields and Pentons Close. London Road is not a main road. It is a small rural road. It bears the brunt of traffic when the A31 closes. It has become increasingly dangerous from the amount and speed of traffic through the village. There are more incidents outside the school. It's only a matter of time until there is a serious accident on London Road. It's actually dangerous for me to leave my drive because of parked cars. The road cannot take a large development as proposed by RedBrown. It would make Holybourne an extension of Alton. The village has taken its fair share. The road cannot support anymore without severe danger to the village's residents and children.
- The current infrastructure cannot take any more houses. Aside from the change in external landscape which people come to enjoy(not just the village and therefore bring custom to the pub and shop), the road system cannot support any more cars.
- Keep Alton planning out of Holybourne.
- Lack of pedestrian access to shops and facilities bordering the village which bring additional traffic through and around the village.
- Talk to the lollypop man about the traffic and anti-social behaviour he sees especially from drivers.
- The infrastructure does not support more development. Drains, schools, sewage, flooding, doctors are at full stretch! The traffic in the village is a nightmare! What benefit do the people here get from more housing. Any developments should be in character and be the best standard possible so we can admire them rather than dread them!
- Types of housing constructed, affordable new modern eco-friendly.
- A lot of people would move out and price of properties would fall.
- All roads in and out of the village are unsuitable for the higher levels of traffic the field development would bring. There was an accident on the a31 at Bentley recently which pushed cars through the village, caused a bottle neck so bad it took 2 hours to get to the village from Farnham. MSN due to each access road being single track with laybys. With this level of access, it's not possible to add the potential level of extra housing proposed.
- An increase in housing would place strain on the local school.
- Any growth in the size of Holybourne should take into account traffic, schools and healthcare infrastructure.
- Any proposed additional access from the A31 would make the traffic situation in the village worse.
- Basic infrastructure needs upgrading to meet current requirements before further development/expansion considered. Local pub attracts more people from outside village a large number of whom drive here but car park insufficient to accommodate all so additional parking occurs on London Road aggravating an already acute issue. Water and sewage pipe work leaks regularly and fixes slow to occur and nearly always need revisiting before being reliably successful! Elderly residents have to travel into Alton for GP-dental-optical appointments but no regular bus service to enable this. Young people would also benefit from public transport to Alton and give them greater freedom of movement to visit friends, etc. thus improving their quality of life and mental health.
- Bins for dog poo, pls! The amount of dog poo on foot paths is disgusting. We are so privileged to have beautiful countryside on our doorstep. Let's allow everyone to enjoy it.
- E bikes and scooters are not yet prevalent but will in time be another hazard on our roads.
- flooding, protecting the environment, any development to be carbon neutral.
- Flooding.
- For any new development the infrastructure (roads) should be introduced first
- Holybourne is dependent on a thriving Alton.
- Holybourne recycling bins for glass; garden waste; paper, cardboard.... Would make it easier for collection.
- How would the village infrastructure cope with the buildings work itself? Even with the swish fibre it was a nightmare. There isn't sufficient access for a huge build.
- I have concerns about more traffic lights near Eggars and getting in and out of Holybourne causing more bottleneck when the new superstores open...
- If development is necessary then it must be affordable for those who grew up in the village or have family connections with the village to allow the character and history of the village to be preserved. Many rural areas are developing locals only affordable housing to sustain historic infrastructure for those who want to live where they grew up as close to family.

- If employees of Treloar's parked on the Treloar's site, rather than on London Road, it would help at the beginning & end of the school day.
- If there is to be more housing in the village then the bus service should be improved. The most important factor would be managing traffic/road access/parking on London Road. If that can be improved it makes sense to add a smallish development at the Cuckoos Corner end of the village.
- If we don't allow new housing developments Holybourne will only be affordable to Londoners, future generations born in this village cannot afford this village.
- Is Barleyfields part of Holybourne or not? It's unclear...
- Issues with sewage drainage already, water leaks and frequent power cuts, lack GP's, dental spaces NHS, pressure to expand school which could mean the loss of outdoor space.
- London Road in school rush hour is barely possible. A further strain through additional housing would be intolerable.
- Mill Cottage animals along footpath between Upper and Lower Neatham Mill Lane are also part of village wellbeing, should these be included along with Pub, theatre, shop etc. Not much you get for free these days but animals always there to look at?!!
- Must increase services provisions as increase population includes doctors, dentists, etc.
- Narrow lanes which contribute to the character of the village cannot sustain any more traffic.
- Need council housing, improve infrastructure.
- Over-burdened Drs surgery, roads clogged, dilapidated infrastructure (water/sewage systems), concreting over our green spaces, poorer quality of life, more crime etc.. Greed fuels more greed. Stop it all now. Change the future for the good. Green future not an urban sprawl.
- Parking/logistical issues on London road being a one road in/out is not conducive to additional traffic from further housing. The drainage system will require significant improvement as it is already at capacity, proven by recent water run off events that have caused temporary flooding.
- Possibility of making Church Lane and Howards Lane one way, i.e. go up Church Lane and down Howards Lane.
- Preserving food crop growing.
- Proper representation of the village, so Alton Town, District or County officials cannot ride roughshod over local views.
- Proposed developments would cause more flooding in the Rakemakers Smithy close area.
- Provision of low-cost affordable housing for villagers.
- Road and train noise from the A31 possibly putting noise blocking fencing along the A31. It would also help with fly tipping.
- Roads are a bottleneck at school timings & bikes & cars speed & don't give way. Parking should be one side only.
- Services such as water and sewage are already at maximum capacity.
- Size of Treloar growth is concerning.
- The access roads simply do not safely allow for an increase in traffic that any new development would cause. There will be a serious accident.
- The constant threat of the Veolia plant being developed.
- The Dr's appear to be beyond capacity now. Improvement in this facility is necessary.
- The existing drainage system is already at capacity, further development will only make flooding worse.
- The greatest problem I foresee should a great deal of development occur is the traffic management. A large development at the eastern end of the village would increase the traffic through London Road to an unacceptable level. Taking into account the nature of the village and its housing stock in London Road many do not have space for parking cars off the road.
- The Holybourne village sign installed in its correct place!
- The house I purchased in Upper Neatham Mill Lane in 2007 had planning permission (circa 2006) to knock down the existing bungalow and build three new properties, the Highways Authority refused the development due to access issues which would be similar to many of the sites earmarked for development, what has changed?
- The lack of public transport through the village on 5 days of the week
- The permanent acquisition of the sports field for the village
- The possibility of flooding if the Downs are concreted over.
- The risk of flooding seems to be an issue in Holybourne, and development would contribute to this with added run-off.
- The village primary school would struggle to absorb more children applying for places in Holybourne. This school is excellent and an absolute asset and integral part of the village.

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- The traffic flow is currently struggling in Holybourne due to the existing number of residents. Any additional cars will have a huge impact. It has been indicated that traffic calming measures would be put into place. That was also agreed with the development of the industrial area by Aldi. This has yet to be completed!
- The village has many employers who should be able to attract local people to work here but are often priced out of the property market. I'm thinking of staff for Treloar's, the Lawns, the primary school, Eggars, the pub, Treloar's and the many services provided to residents such as cleaning, childminding, gardening etc. people need places to live, and it is a shame to see young people unable to get on the property ladder. Equally rental properties are welcome too.
- There are significant drainage issues related to un-maintained drainage tanks on Howards Lane and London Road
- There should be a distinction between Holybourne the village and Alton a town.
- There should be a good mix of housing. A good mix of type and size of house significantly contribute to community.
- There's a great wildlife in the fields behind the park and Bonhams Farm it would be a tragedy to disrupt this.
- Too many new houses would put a strain on schools and GPs.
- Unnecessary noise on A31 created by powerful motorcycles at full throttle with doctored exhausts.
- Vehicular access to any new development must be investigated thoroughly in terms of location, traffic congestion, safety for pedestrians and cyclists and the environment. Parking in the village is already a huge problem, we should be investigating solutions for this. Knowing who is parking in the roads here and why would be beneficial in working out where we could impose restrictions and consider the need for a car park somewhere, although I'm not sure where!
- When the Retail Development at the end of Mill Lane comes into use There is bound to be considerable impact on the access to Holybourne.
- Why is all the land available for farming around the village not currently being cultivated?
- You cannot keep on restricting parking on London Road without offering some alternative parking.
- Any more housing would make the traffic going through the village intolerable. There is already significant noise pollution from the A31 and the London Road. The quality of the air would also be affected. The school is already full to capacity as are the GP practices. More development is just not sustainable.
- The primary school needs support from the community to support the families of the children who attend.
- Flood risk my house borders the river, and the river already floods significantly more often than when we first moved here. I'm extremely concerned any further development in the local area would significantly worsen this issue.
- What is our strategy here? Fund raising is one thing but no clarity on what funds will be used for exactly and how measured/reported so village can understand if positive steps being taken and if making a difference or not and over what timelines.
- A 20-mph speed limit needs to be introduced throughout the village because of the schools.
- London Road is already used as a diverted route from the A31 when there is a problem We cannot take any more traffic on London Road
- There is definitely a safety issue along London road with children walking to school, trying to cross the road between cars and speeding and please remember the needs of the Treloar students.
- Heavy Plant (farm vehicles) place additional pressure on Howards Lane and often cause bottlenecks during harvest time, due the narrowness of the road which is effectively single Lane.
- Preservation of agricultural land & woodlands due to world depletion of arable areas
- I think it is important for any development to be in keeping with the feel of the village and large-scale developments would destroy the feel of the village. It would simply not be a village anymore.
- Any further development will spoil the character of the village and add to traffic chaos.
- The parking in London Road is increasingly dangerous.
- Speeding vehicles on London Road which would increase significantly with the proposed development.
- There is considerable flooding each winter behind our property (Field Cottage)
- Parking issues in Cranford Drive during school term
- Volume of road traffic especially if A31 closed.
- The sewage works can only just cope with the volume now. Just a week or so ago we had tankers working 24/7 to clear a backlog caused by a broken pipe.

- There have been issues with sewerage works over several years and London Road traffic is horrendous now.
- I would like areas close to but not in the South Downs National Park to be treated with more respect.
- I have been lucky to find a freehold place to live. Please be aware how difficult it is for younger folk!
- Manor Farm. Treloar's and Lawns are important to the community and need a quiet village environment to thrive and wellbeing of residents.
- There are enough houses.
- Current infrastructure cannot cope with significant development.
- There are already a lot of new houses in Alton, and no new doctor's surgeries or schools etc. Inadequate bus routes
- How would the local school cope with an influx of pupils if lots of houses were built??
- The provision of support services for these proposed houses, e.g. schools, highways and services.

## Q10

A number of people provided their contact details in case we wanted more information or support from them.