

Brigstock Neighbourhood Plan

Community Questionnaire Results



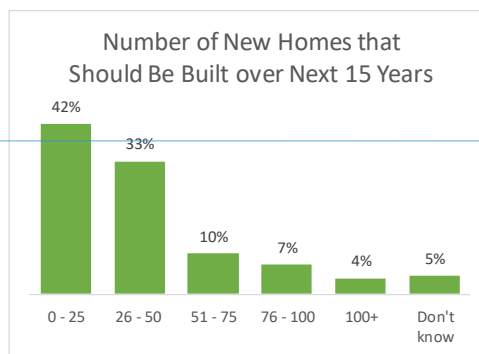
Background

Firstly, we would like to say a big thank you to everyone that completed the questionnaire. In total we received 305 responses from people who live and/or work in Brigstock. We were thrilled with the level of response, and believe it bears testament to how much local people care about the future of Brigstock.

99% of respondents live within the Parish of Brigstock, and 9% work here. Responses were received from a wide range of age groups. However, 39% were aged 65 years or older. This is a slightly higher % than the actual population of Brigstock.

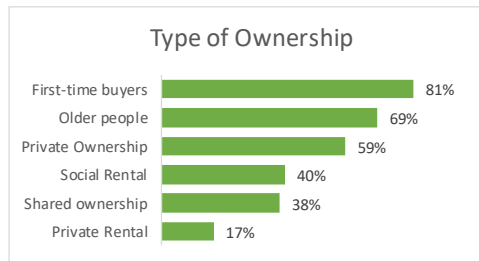
Future Development

When asked how many new homes should be built in the village over the next 15 years, 75% of you suggested somewhere between 0 and 50 houses would be appropriate. The average calculated figure was 36 houses.



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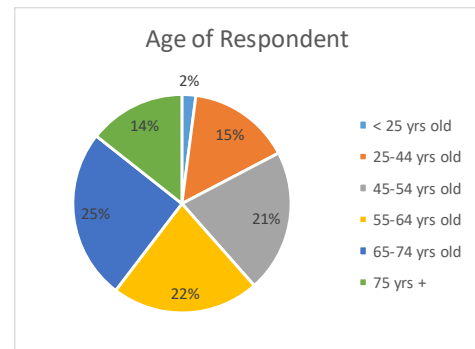
If there is to be more housing in Brigstock, 81% of you believed it should be for first-time buyers. Only 17% of you thought any new housing should be for the private rental market.



Local Green Spaces & Countryside

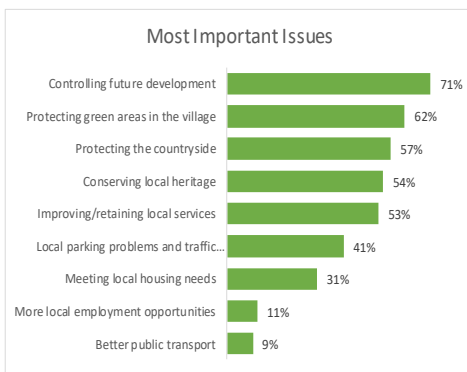
When we asked you whether or not you agreed with the current designation of specific Local Green Spaces, on the whole you did, with most areas receiving agreement levels of 90% or more. The lowest level of agreement was for 'The field off Stanion Road opposite New Town', however there were still 79% of you that believed this to be an appropriate local green space.

When suggested that Brigstock Pocket Park between Barnards Way and the Bypass is underused and could be developed for other uses, out of the choices provided the most popular ones were: a new site for the school; new social housing; and a new



Most Important Issues

We asked you to let us know what the most important issues are for the neighbourhood plan to tackle. The issue deemed important by the largest number of people (71%) was 'controlling future development'. 'Protecting green areas in the village', received the second highest number of votes, with 62% of you stating this as important.



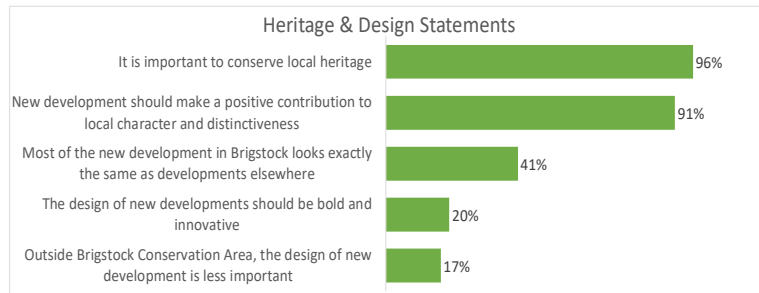
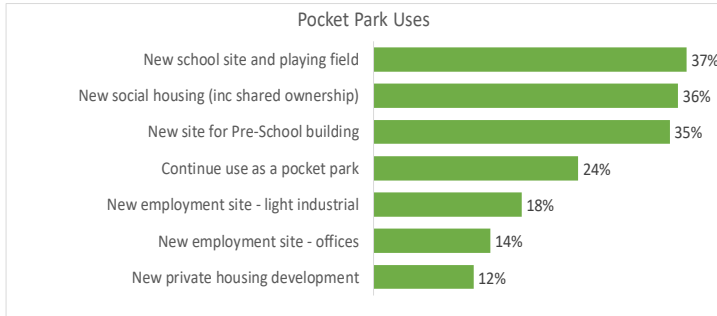
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site for the pre-school. Once again, private housing was the lowest ranking option out of those provided.

Employment usage was also ranked relatively low, with only 18% of respondents agreeing the Pocket Park could be used for light industrial employment, and 14% of respondents agreeing it could be used for an office-based site of employment.



Local Heritage

We asked which of the following heritage and design statements you agreed with. It is clear from your responses that the heritage of Brigstock is incredibly important.

As such, it is an area that many of you want to be maintained. There was particularly high

agreement that any new development should make a positive contribution to the local character and distinctiveness.

Summary

We hope this has given you a flavour of the key findings from the research. We are currently working our way through the data so that we can identify and use any information that will help to reinforce the content within the Neighbourhood Plan.

Should you have any questions about this report, or any other aspect of the Neighbourhood plan, please contact [Chris Allen](#) on xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

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