Tetsworth Community-Led Plan 2014

Residents' Survey Results

Participation & Presentation

134 households

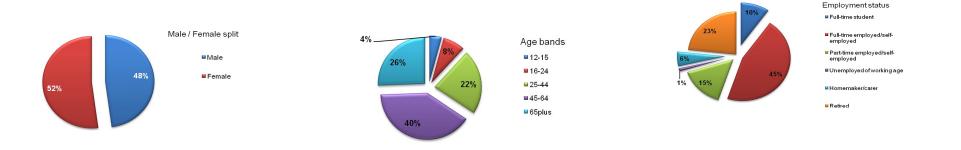
261 village residents

Approximately 50% response rate by both households and residents aged 12 or over. Vast majority of respondents provided answers to nearly all questions

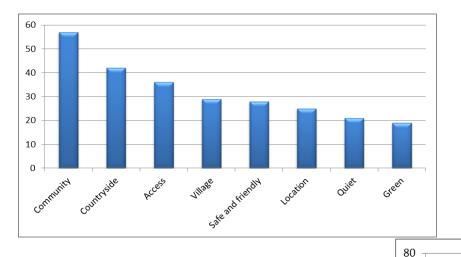
Pie charts and pillar graphs show either percentages or actual response numbers
Utilities responses are per household, other question responses are per
respondent

Respondent Profile

Average household residency in Tetsworth - approximately 23 years

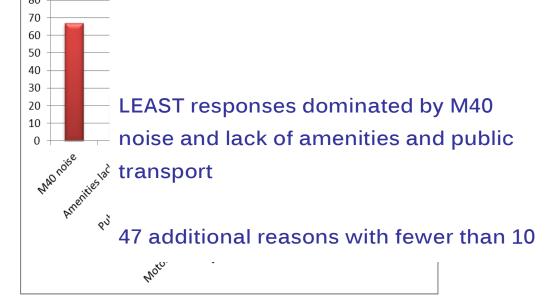


What Do You Like Best and Least about Living in Tetsworth?



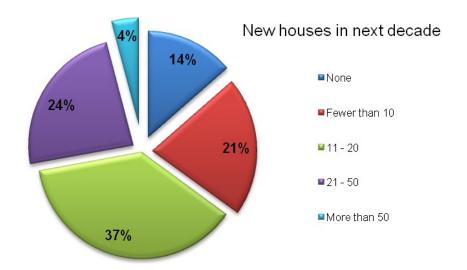
BEST responses dominated by sense of settled, rural community, but with good road access to national and local networks

17 additional reasons with 10 or fewer proposers



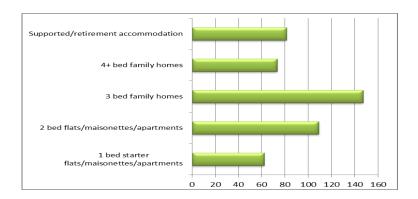
Housing Development

This section aimed to capture both the future housing needs of current Tetsworth residents and their families, and general community views on the preferred nature and extent of local housing development over the next decade

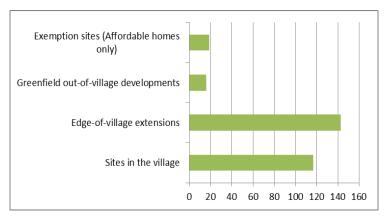


Respondents were invited to support as many of the options offered as they wished in the following questions relating to housing development

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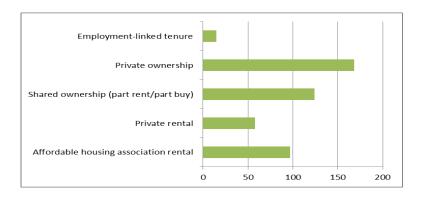


Where?

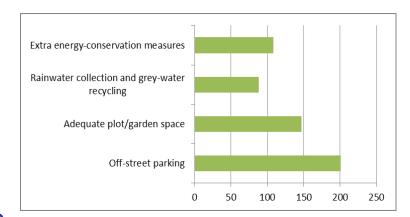


Use of Village

What Tenure?

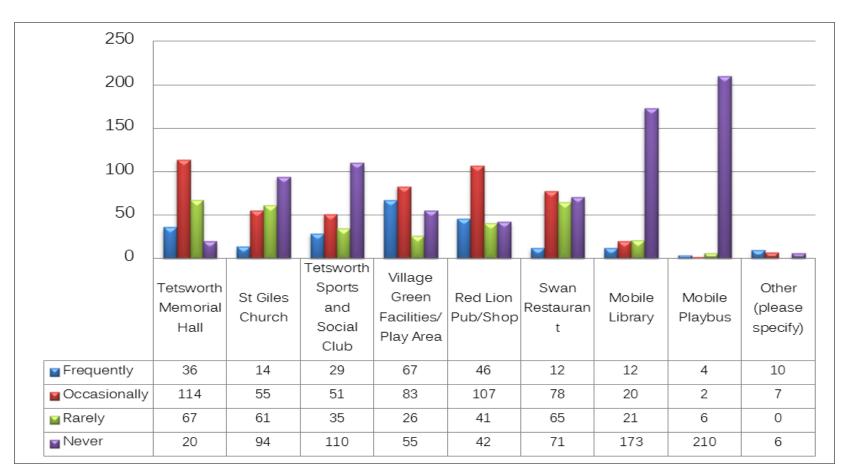


Desired Design Features

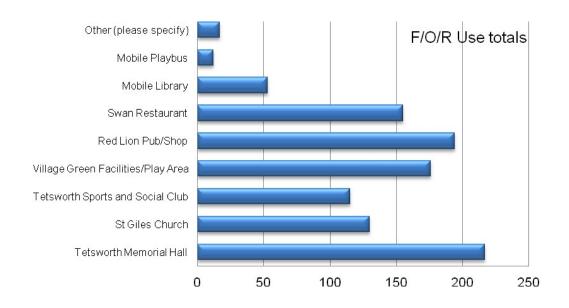


Amenities

Respondents were invited to record whether they used named local facilities and services frequently, occasionally, rarely or never.



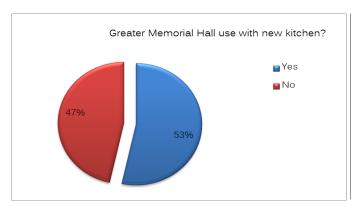
Further analysis shows how many people use these facilities and services at least some of the time. Suggestions of how they could attract greater patronage included a greater range of activities in the Memorial Hall and proposals for broadening the clientele for the Red Lion pub and Swan restaurant

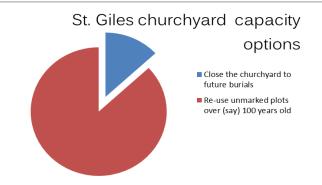


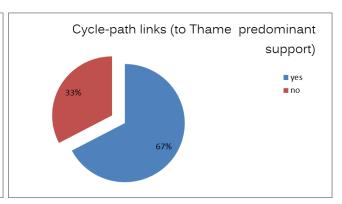
Ideas for approximately 30 new activities, facilities or services were put forward, but only a cinema, youth club/children's activities, cubs/scouts/guides/brownies, WI and various forms of exercise sessions attracted significant support.

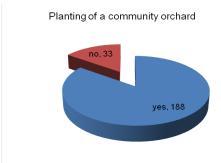
Potential Village Initiatives

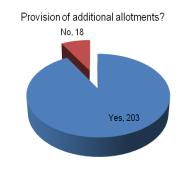
The questionnaire sought views on a number of specific potential improvement projects and on disability access

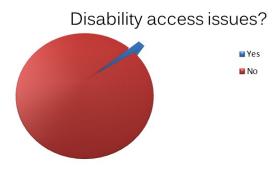












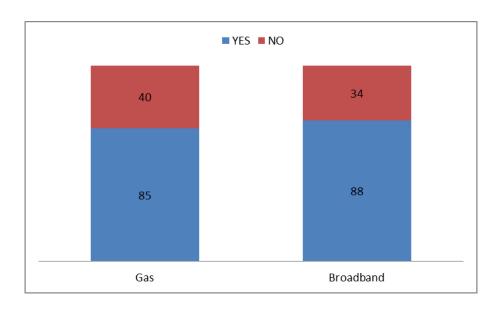
Education and Young People

Parents with children attending or intending to attend Tetsworth Primary School or Little Kites Pre-school were asked whether they were in favour of more wrap-around extracurricular activities at the school and longer opening hours at the nursery. Almost all respondents were in favour of such initiatives.

The invitation to suggest additional and better equipment for the PATCH play area produced 34 varied ideas with no obvious pattern other than calls for a zip-wire

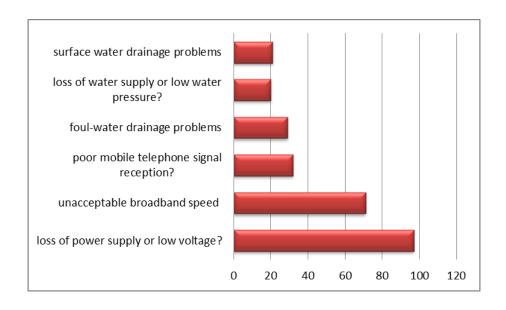
Utilities

Households were invited to say whether they were likely to use a mains gas supply and superfast broadband if the services were available in Tetsworth



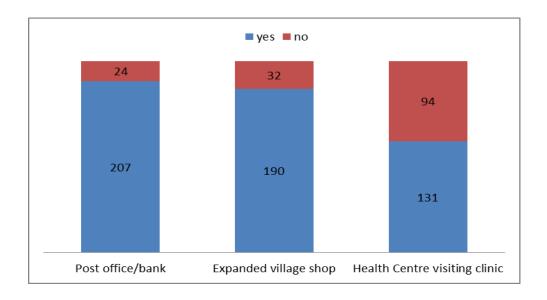
They were also invited to report on any shortcomings in existing utility provision

Mobile reception problems were reported across all networks, but only in relatively small numbers



Additional Local Services

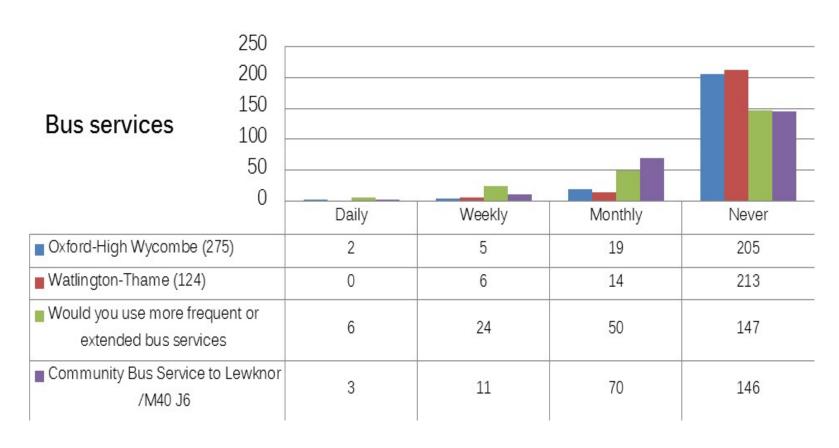
Views were sought on the level of support for visiting health clinics/surgeries, the resurrection of a post office/bank and use of an expanded village shop



Suggestions for additional services were largely covered in other sections of the questionnaire, but provision of a cashpoint drew significant support

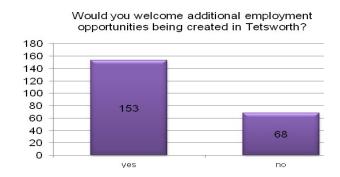
Public Transport

The lack of bus services had been identified as a particular drawback to living in Tetsworth. However, the survey of current usage showed that few residents ever use the buses, although those who do would probably consider them to be essential. The prospect of improved services would probably do little to attract greater custom on a regular basis



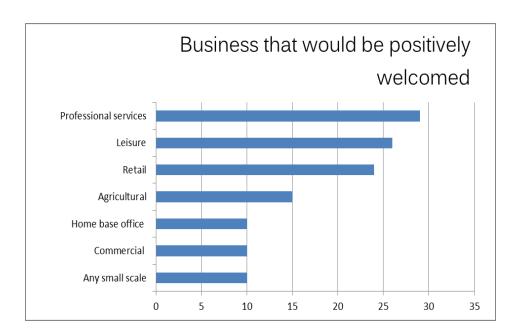
Business Development

Respondents' views were sought on whether new employment-generating businesses should be welcomed to Tetsworth and whether they would welcome the development of commercial premises to support such new businesses





They were also invited to indicate the types of business that they would or would not welcome in the village. The top 5 (and equals) in each category are shown below

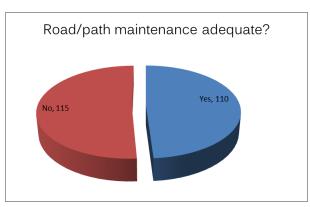


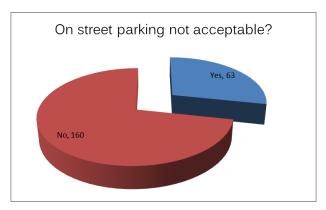


Village Infrastructure

Residents' views were sought on the adequacy of road safety measures, road and pathway maintenance and on-street parking







They were also invited to identify specific problems and suggest potential solutions.

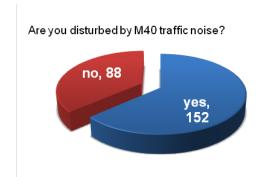
Dominant themes emerged

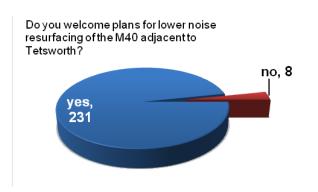
Road Safety – additional speed enforcement measures were required on the A40

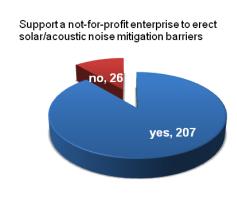
- Roads/Pathways Potholes and overgrown footpaths in and outside the village were an issue
- On-street Parking School drop-off/pick-up parking and minor road parking were identified as significant issues

M40 Noise Mitigation

Motorway noise had been identified as a major issue in the attractiveness of living in Tetsworth. Residents were asked whether the noise disturbed them and whether they supported noise mitigation initiatives

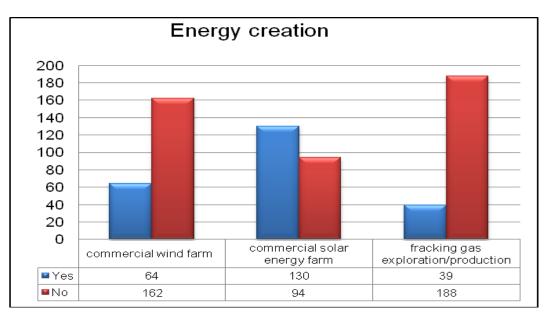






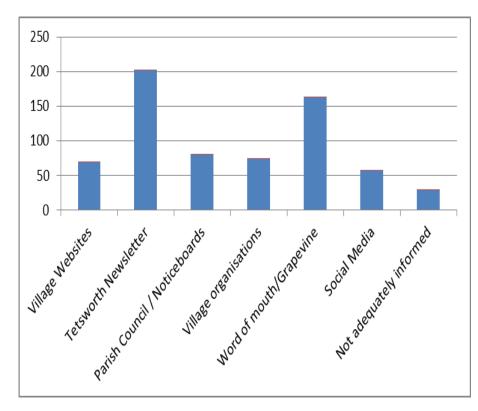
Alternative Energy Sources

Residents' views were sought on whether establishment of commercial windfarms, solar energy farms or fracking exploration adjacent to the village would be welcome



Village Information Sources

Respondents were invited to identify all communication channels through which they were informed about village news, activities and issues



Suggestions for improvement included richer editorial and more timely delivery of the well-read Tetsworth Newsletter and linking of various organisation-specific websites