

## **Patching Neighbourhood Plan**

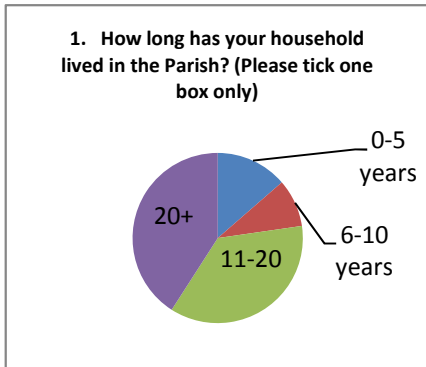


**Your views on the issues that should shape  
our future**

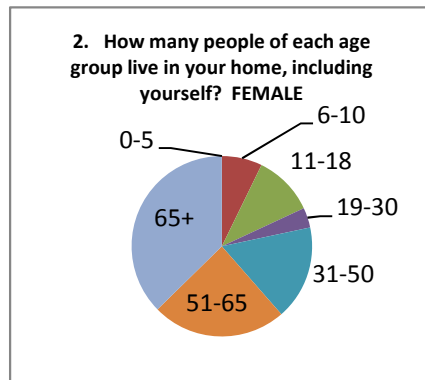
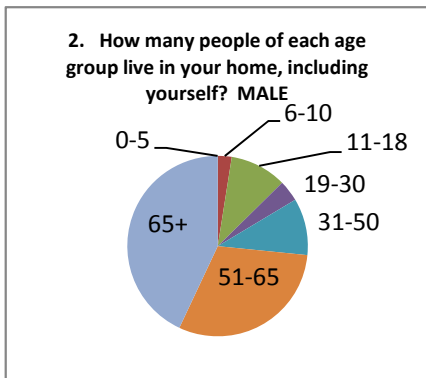
**Outcomes from the open evening of 3 April**

# Patching Parish Council - Issues Questionnaire

## Your feedback



## Household

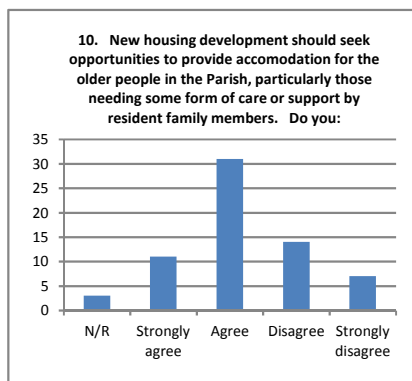
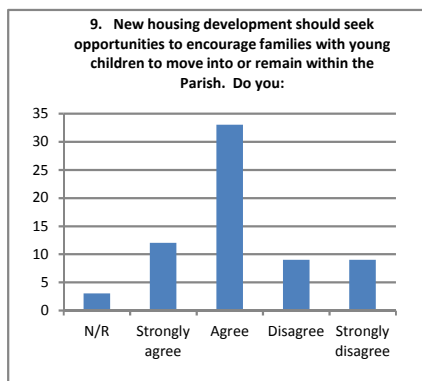
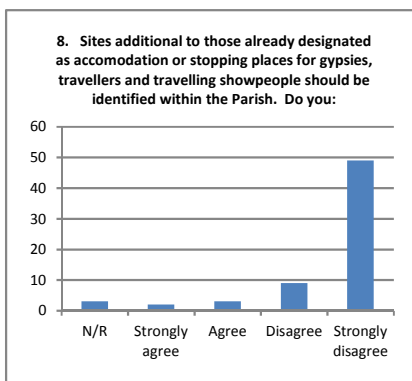
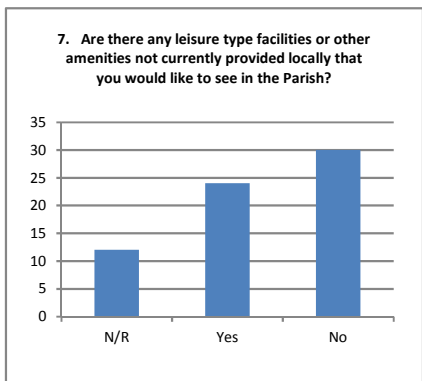
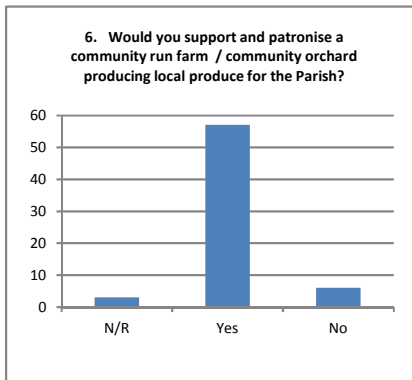
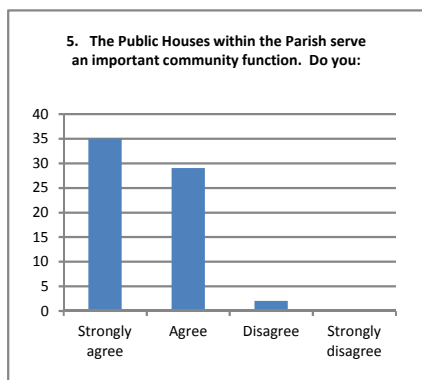
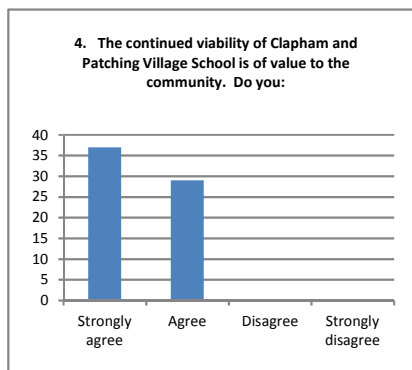
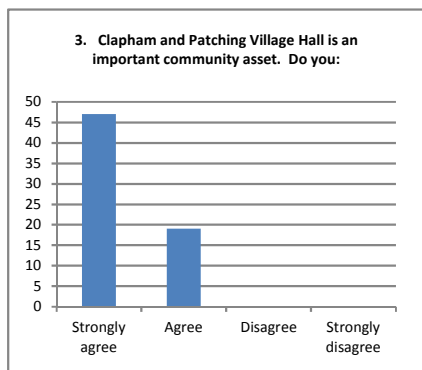


Around 30 individuals attended the open evening of 3rd April. 66 responses and completed questionnaires were returned.

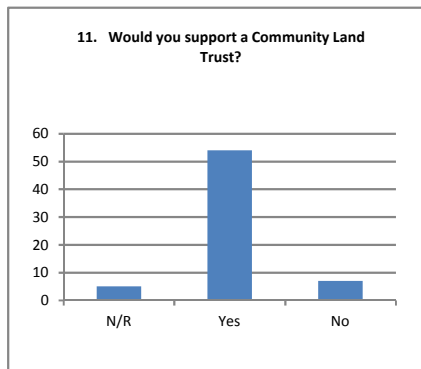
Of the respondents over 3/4 (77%) have lived in the village for more than 11 years and 40% for more than 20 years.

Within the households that responded 49% are male and 51% female. 40% are over 65 years of age. Only 15% are below age 19 and 5% under 11. Working age (18-65 years) are

# People: Our community



## People: Our community



Respondents to questions 3 to 5, overwhelmingly concur that C&P Village Hall; C&P Village School; and public houses within the Parish are important village assets, serving important community functions.

Across questions 3 to 5 only 2 respondents disagreed and none strongly disagreed.

90% of respondents would support and patronise a community run farm or orchard.

Just over half of respondents consider there to be no amenities or facilities they would like to see in the Parish.

Those who did identify, sports facilities (e.g. cricket) at the village hall; improved bus services; bins for dog waste; and a local shop.

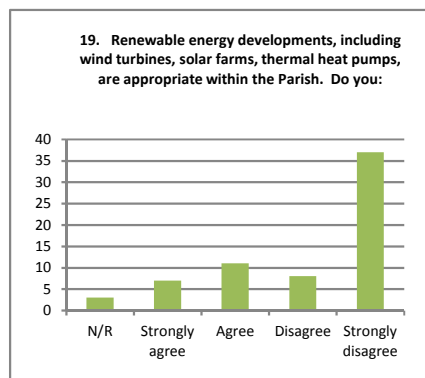
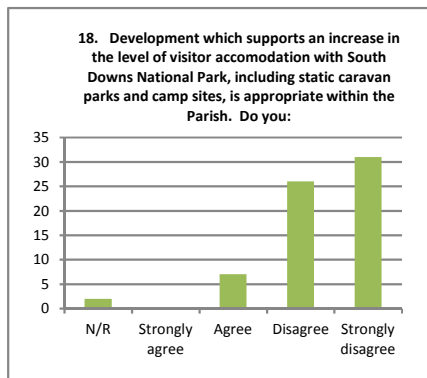
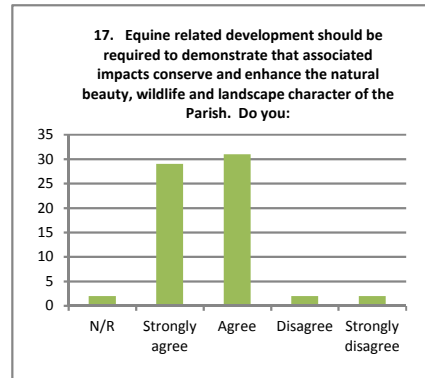
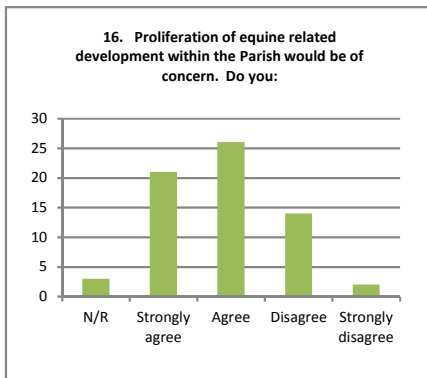
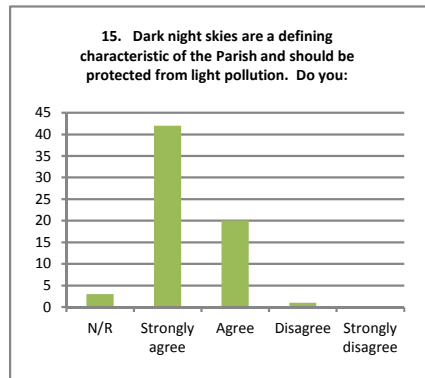
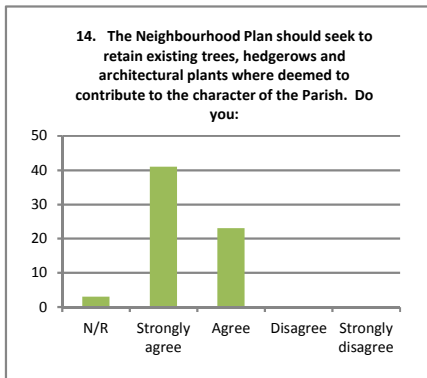
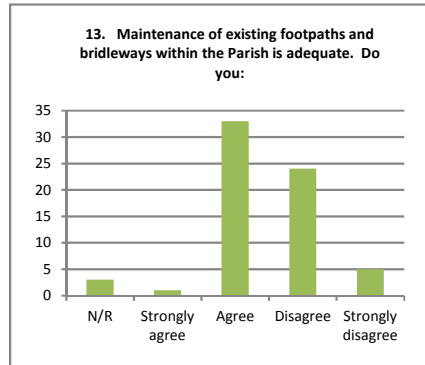
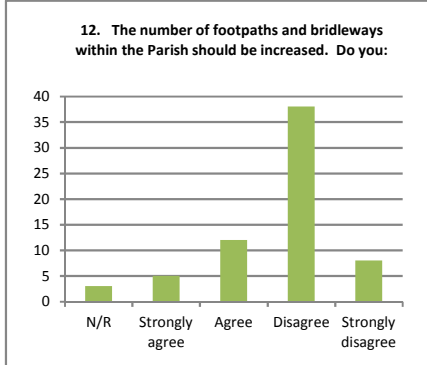
Only 8% of respondents agreed that sites additional to those already designated as accommodation for gypsies or travellers should be identified within the Parish.

Whilst over 70% consider that new housing development should seek opportunities to encourage young families to remain or move into the Parish and two thirds (66%) feel that housing should seek opportunities to home older people - particularly where there is need of care or support by resident family members.

Just under 90% of parishioners who responded would support a Community Land Trust.

# Places: Our buildings, landscape and environment

## Landscape and environment



## PATCHING NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Around 25% of respondents felt that the number of existing footpaths and bridleways should be increased but only about half of respondents consider the maintenance of existing footpaths is adequate.

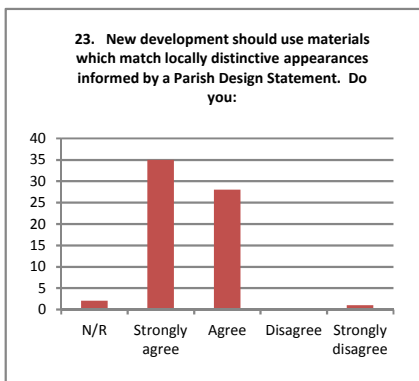
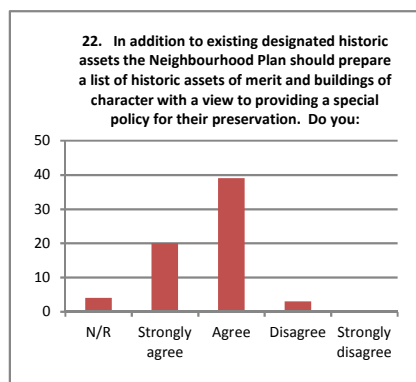
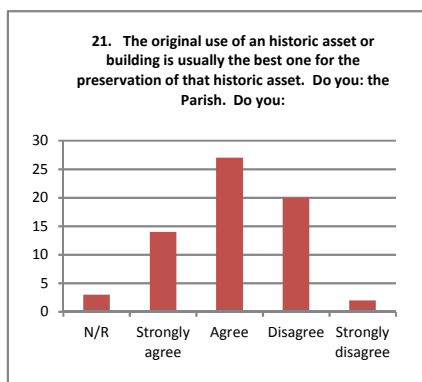
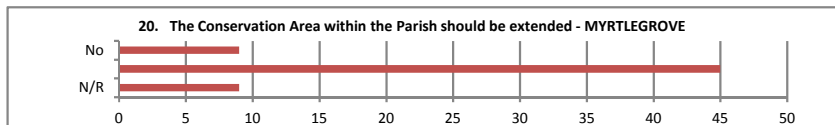
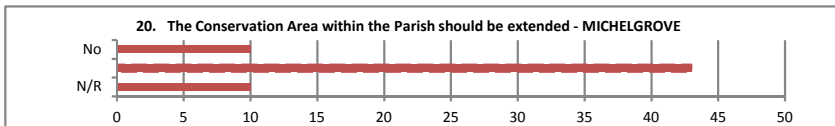
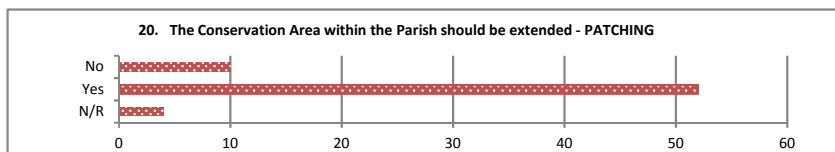
All respondents to the questionnaire agreed or strongly agreed that trees and hedges and plants contributing to the character of the Parish should be retained and that dark skies should be protected from light pollution.

In relation to equine development three quarters of respondents would be concerned by the proliferation of such development; and over 90% consider that equine development should be required to enhance our environment.

Of 64 respondents only 7(10%) consider development which supports an increase in visitor accommodation within the National Park to be appropriate - no respondents strongly agreed; whilst 28% consider renewable energy developments to be appropriate.

# Places: Our buildings, landscape and environment

## Buildings



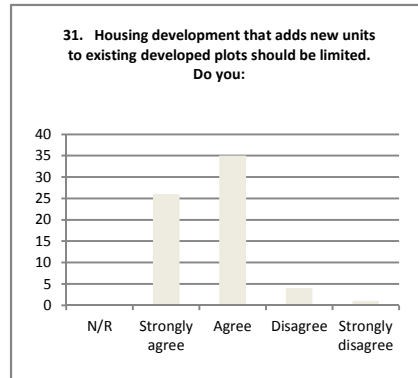
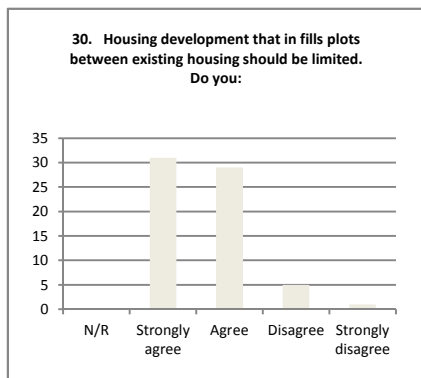
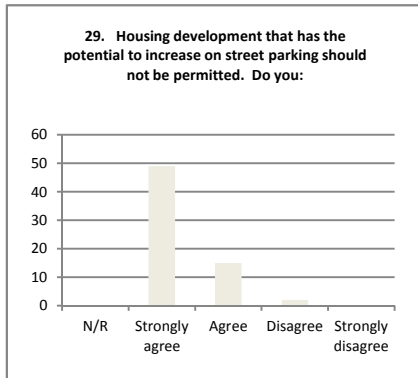
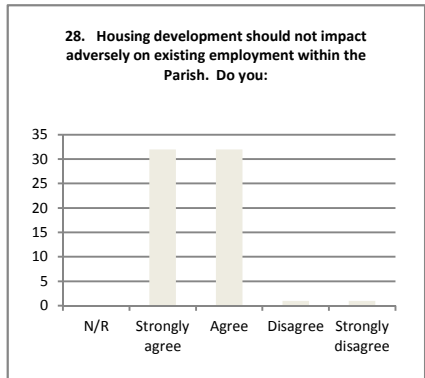
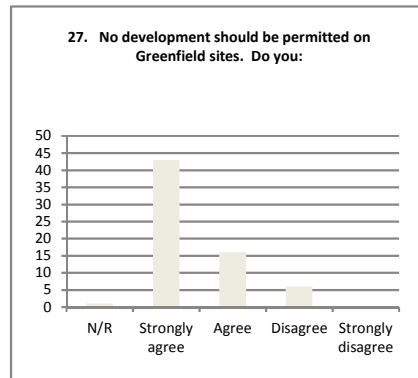
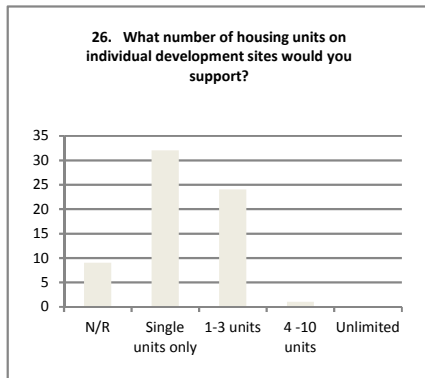
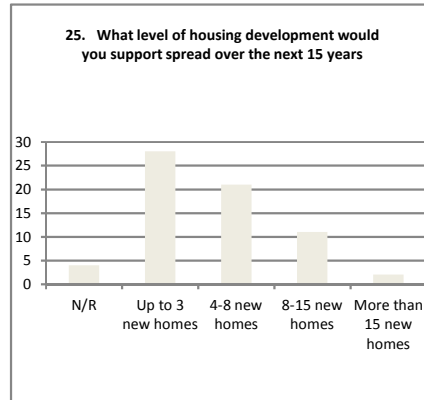
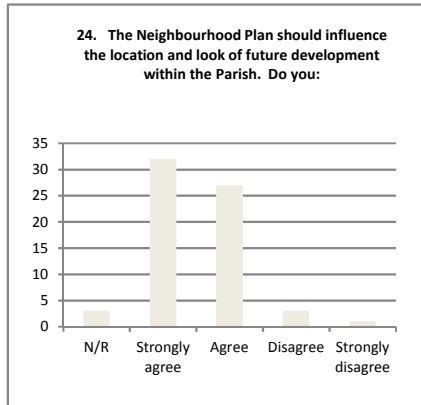
More than 80% of respondents believe the conservation area should be extended across Patching, Michelgrove and Myrtle Grove.

65% of respondents agree or strongly agree that the original use of an historic building is the best for its preservation and close to all consider that a list of new assets of merit should be developed with a view for a policy for their preservation.

Only 1 respondent of 64 believe that new development should not use materials that match locally distinctive appearances and an overwhelming majority of parishioners think the Neighbourhood Plan should influence the location and look of future development.

# Prosperity: Our businesses, transport, development

## Development





## PATCHING NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Nearly 50% of respondents would support up to 3 new homes within the Plan area over the next 15 years; a third would support 4 to 8 new homes; and only 3% over 15 homes. There is overwhelming support for development to be "small scale" with either single or 1 to 3 units on an individual site.

90% of respondents believe no development should be permitted on greenfield sites and over 95% that new development should not impact existing employment adversely. The same percentage consider that development that potentially increases on street parking should not be permitted.

More than 90% consider housing which in fills plots and also adds new units to existing developed plots should be limited.

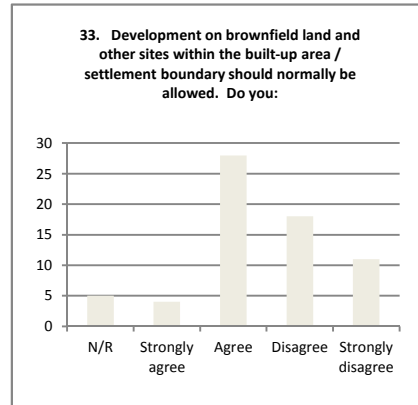
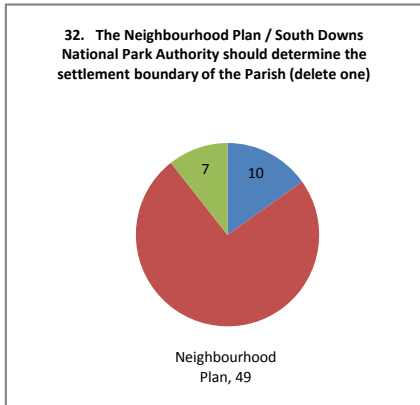
Of those that responded 87% consider that the Neighbourhood Plan and not the South Downs National Park Authority should determine the settlement boundary.

28 of 61 respondents (45%) agree that development on brownfield land within the built up area should normally be allowed; whilst 58% believe housing should be for affordable and local needs only.

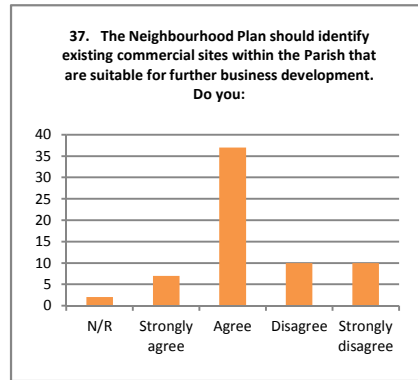
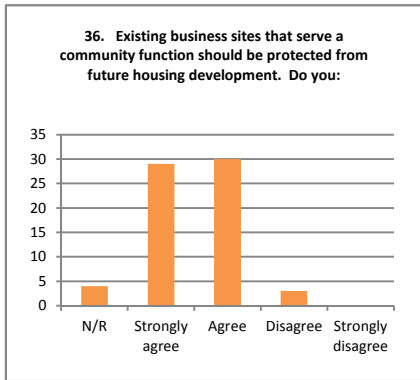
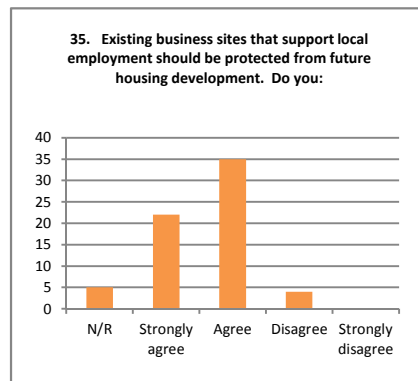
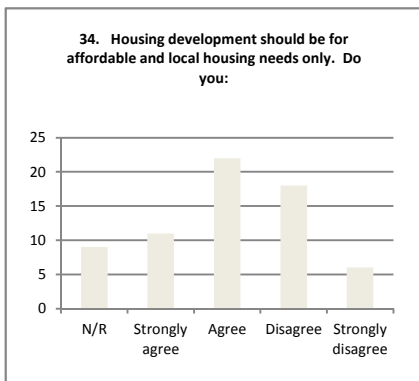
Around 95% consider existing businesses which support local employment or serve a community function should be protected from further development.

44 of 64 respondents consider the Neighbourhood Plan should identify existing commercial sites within the Parish suitable for further business development.

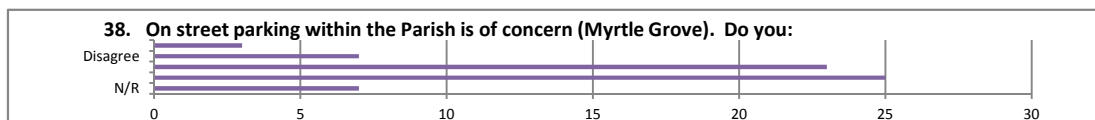
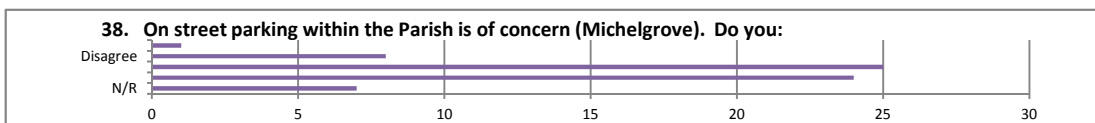
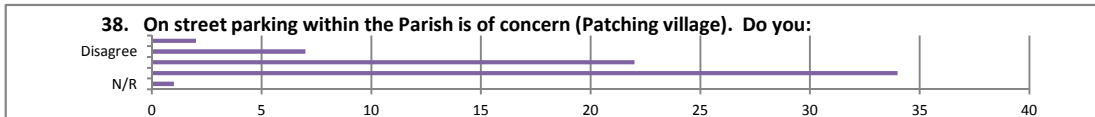
# Prosperity: Our businesses, transport, development



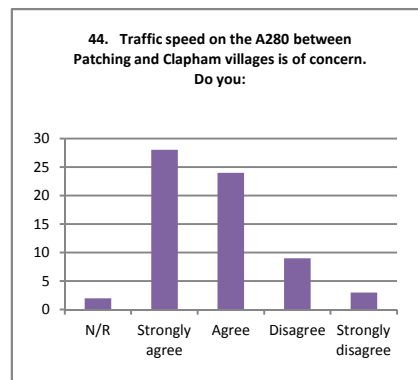
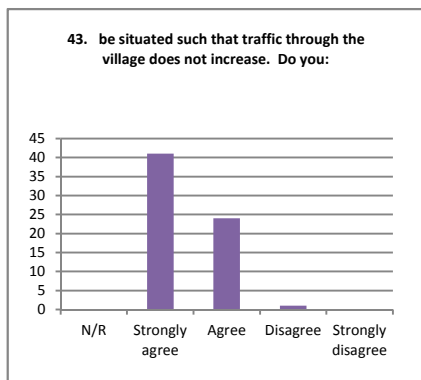
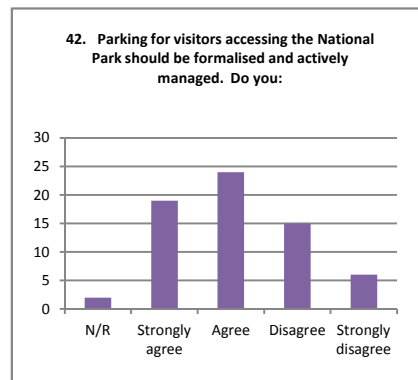
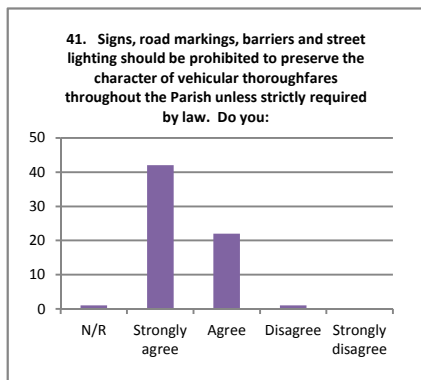
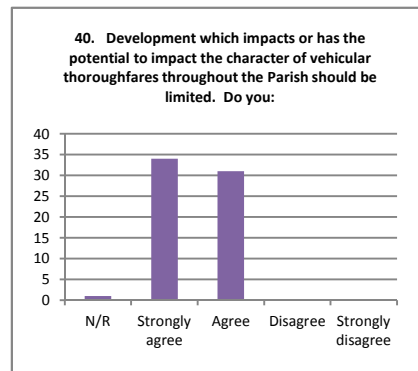
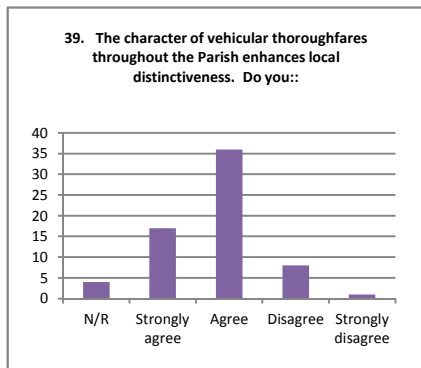
## Business



## Transport



# Prosperity: Our businesses, transport, development



Over 80% of respondents consider on street parking to be a concern whether in Patching, Michelgrove or Myrtle Grove.

85% consider that the character of thoroughfares enhances local distinctiveness and ALL respondents believe development which has the potential to impact these thoroughfares should be limited. All but 1 respondent agree that signs and road markings should be prohibited to preserve the character of thoroughfares.

A third of respondents consider parking for visitors accessing the National Park should not be formalised or managed; and only 1 disagreed that parking should be situated such that it does not increase traffic through the village.

80% think traffic speed on the A280 is a concern.

## Other issues

### **Can you think of any other issues that the Neighbourhood Plan should seek to address?**

45. People – Our community

Community watch of old people.

We live in a national park and should extend a welcome to visitors and give clear directions for parking etc.

The village has a high level of social capital, we all know each other and help each other out. .

Being a small village without public transport it is unsuitable for some many elderly people.

Just preserve our lovely peaceful community.

Young peoples' voices and enthusiasm should be harnessed to ensure continuation of a vibrant village.

A community shop.

I feel more locals should support their local pubs i.e. The Worlds End and The Fox; and stop illegal raves in the underpass.

Qn 6 - it would be more beneficial to support the proposed changes to The Junction to a community store

It is essential that the development at The Junction should be a priority for both Clapham and Patching

We presume you have never been to Michelgrove or Myrtle Grove because if you had you would find that

on road parking is non-existent.

Supporting The Junction @ Clapham

## Other issues

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#### 46. Places – Our buildings, landscape and environment

Bird and animal life on the Downs is very important for biodiversity and is partly why visitors come here, any development should only be permitted where biodiversity is not threatened.

Unfinished developments should be time limited and enforcement made to complete them.

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No more buildings

The plan should give standards for field access and gates; the use of barbed wire should be discouraged.

The rural nature of the village and its surrounds should be protected it would be useful for there to be parking for residents, who live near the church, to facilitate access for services and special events.

We would like the rural nature of the parish protected.

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Very limited development only our village and services cannot take expansion.

Please keep Patching beautiful protect the village from over development and infill buildings please.

Footpaths across agricultural land should be protected from constant reploughing, NHP should be very clear and explicit, on what types and levels of development we wish to see or not see.

No solar parks or wind turbines please.

This neighbourhood plan should distinguish between farmland and residential land. No need to build on land of agricultural status.

Concern of overdevelopment of land around the church.

Retain as it is.

Visible solar panels seem at odds with being a conservation areas.

Biodiversity mapping is needed particularly of areas such as Patching soon to assess impact of usage, the Sussex Wildlife Trust would advise. Noise pollution is a continuing issue.

Speed limit within the village.

This beautiful village and area must be protected by us and SDNP it is such a special place.

Conservation area should be extend to encompass south Patching i.e. France Lane, Worlds End Patching Pond.

All new buildings should have rainwater capture and solar, air source or ground source power;

Patching village sewerage is at or near capacity new builds should have on site facilities.

Please near in mind that France Lane, Arundel Road and Selden Road are all part of Patching.

Equine development to the west of Myrtle Grove FM is of concern from an environmental view point.

Better management of footpaths to the school and along Arundel Road, trees and brambles etc. narrow them to 1.5ft in places.

## Other issues

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#### 47. Prosperity – Our businesses, transport and development

We are very prosperous already. Businesses should be in keeping - homeworking and agriculture.

Any businesses should be encouraged if they do not add to the traffic.

Better broadband.

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More buses.

Rural businessmen are an asset e.g. farming stabling rural pursuits could be encourage waling cycling etc.

School bus to angering has dangerous pick up points on the A280.

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Suggest we support existing equestrian businesses as they are best at meeting demand and potentially protect the Downs from development from outside the existing built environment, this would protect people and places.

No business or commercial development at all.

Important that bus services maintained.

Speed limit France Lane and The Street because of children dog walkers and others. Used as a rat run sooner or later there is going to be an awful accident.

Qn 43 - providing it does not cause problems to other areas of the village.

Access to our residential property is often restricted due to indiscriminate parking relating to businesses at Myrtle Grove

We also oppose any further housing development in the village.

## Other issues

### Other

Qn 18 - not static caravans but tourist camping.

Qn 18 - agree or disagree depends where any site located; Qn 19 all the above should be disregarded in favour of sea power;

Qn 27 depends on location not on existing farmland; Qn 37 depends on the business; Qn 42 if

limited i.e. top of The Street no large parking areas.

Qn 25 - zero; Qn 26 - none

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Qn 9 - no more development; Qn 10 - no more development; Qn 12 - disagree sufficient; Qn 21 - diversification; Qn 25 - no;

Qn 26 - none

Qn 25 - no more

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Qn 26 - depends upon the size of the site

Qn 20 - Michelgrove and Myrtle Grove 2 additional areas needed. What about France Lane? Qn 26 - depends on size of site

Qn 19 - thermal heat pumps only if no visible impact; Qn 25 - about 2 per year; Qn 26 - depends on site,

size, location, impact, Qn 27 - not farmland but residential land

Qn 6 - not sure it would depend on how it is to be run; Qn 12 - we have plenty; Qn 18 - depends on the size and visual

impact but could support the rural economy; Qn 19 - depends on visual impact; Qn 30 - but depends on size of

plots; Qn 34 - we need to be flexible; Qn 35 - if the business are viable

Qn 10 - at present older people have to leave the village to downsize; Qn 23 - on some not every house; Qn 27 - do

we have any brownfield sites

Qn 13 - the horses are ruining them and opening up new ones; Qn 14 - and improve; Qn 19 - dependent upon siting etc. needs to be evaluated on an individual basis; Qn 21 - dependent on individual needs e.g. Community use of church in addition to normal usage;

Qn 23 - which hasn't happened in the farm yard. The use of materials is unsympathetic; Qn 25 - depending on purpose

see questions 9 and 10; Qn 31- this needs to be reviewed on an individual basis

need for care of the elderly, young people with family to remain in the village should be considered;

Qn 33 - unsure need to be decided on an individual basis; Qn 37 - if of a rural nature; Qn 44 - is there a way to avoid

noise pollution from current road surfaces;

QN 7 - small shop; Qn19 - small scale yes, large scale no; Qn 26 - depends on the size of the site

QN 19 - solar farms strongly disagree, heat pumps strongly agree industrial or large scale no; QN 26 - depends on site size

QN 30 & 31 - subject to size or space of site or needs of existing house owner 1 unit per site only

QN33 - depends on what it is

QN41 - but needs speed limit

QN6 - depending on prices; QN26 - none