

Report on responses to the questions in the Berkswell Neighbourhood Development Plan Issues and Options questionnaire

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Introduction

An Issues and Options consultation was conducted by means of a questionnaire as part of the process for creating our Neighbourhood Development Plan [NDP] for Berkswell Parish. This was publicised widely to local residents both in Berkswell and all of Balsall Common. This report contains all the responses received from local residents. The purpose is to make the results available both for challenge and for transparency as they are used to refine the original draft Vision and Objectives and also to inform the development of relevant policies for further consultation.

More details of our NDP process are available on <http://www.berkswell.org/council/neighbourhood-development-plan>. Any feedback or comments can be made at any of the NDP public meetings the dates of which are on the NDP web page or via the parish clerk contact details for whom are available on the Parish Council web site.

Explanatory note

This document contains the responses to the questions in the Berkswell Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) Issues and Options questionnaire that was circulated to as many residents as possible to allow them to respond as individuals. The questionnaire asked respondents to provide answers to two types of questions. Firstly there were “closed” questions where an answer was selected from a list or the questions were answered “yes” or “no”. Secondly, respondents could give answers to other questions by providing written comments or suggestions. It should be noted that a separate questionnaire was circulated to businesses in the parish the results of which are available on the NDP web site

Section 1

The first section of the report provides an analysis of the responses to the “closed” questions. It gives a separate analysis/result for Berkswell Parish residents against answers given by respondents from elsewhere and it compares the two groups. At least 92% of the respondents from outside Berkswell Parish were from the neighbouring Balsall Parish. The remainder comprised one parish council, two Coventry residents and 7 residents who neither gave a post code nor declared a parish.

The first 3 pages of this section record % responses. The remaining pages contain the number of responses to each question and are “check data” to demonstrate thorough analysis. In every case the calculated % have been based on the total respective responses for the Berkswell and non Berkswell Parish respondents. The analysis excludes the submission made by the sports association which only made a comment about sports infrastructure needs and did not seek to answer the entire questionnaire

Section 2

The questionnaire encouraged respondents to make suggestions and comments to the following question areas.

Question 1 - Vision and Objectives

Question 2 – Housing on allocated sites in Solihull draft plan

Question 3 – Affordable housing needs outside Balsall Common

Question 5 – Berkswell Conservation area

Question 8 – Improving local infrastructure

Question 9 – Supporting investment in local business

Question 10 – Supporting investment in Balsall Common shopping centre

Any other comments

Residents made a very large number of comments and suggestions to questions that sought free text answers. Those are shown in the second section of this report. One challenge the NDP Steering Committee faced was that residents made suggestions/comments concerning similar themes in response to different questions. Hence, to fully understand any theme it involved looking for linked comments in the responses to all eight free text questions. For example, comments/suggestions on Balsall Common centre were not restricted to the answers to question 10 but also appeared as responses to other questions 1, 8, 9 and “any other comments”. To help analyse the ~~very large~~ number of comments, the NDP Steering Committee used a modified version of a quality improvement technique called an “affinity process”. This helped by grouping comments and suggestions in such a manner so as to facilitate their analysis. The analysis methodology is shown in an appendix to the report. Where such an affinity classification was made then it is shown in ~~this~~ the report. However, there is no right or wrong affinity classification using the affinity process: it is merely a way that a group of people can draw out common themes. All suggestions/comments were looked at by the Steering Committee and will either inform the development of a draft NDP or will be referred to Berkswell Parish Council for consideration where the suggestion/comment cannot, by law, be covered by a Neighbourhood Development Plan to gauge what other community action may be possible.

What does the NDP Steering Committee plan to do as a result of all this consultation?

The NDP Steering Committee has fully considered all of the responses and has identified areas for planning policies and issues for inclusion within the draft Neighbourhood Development Plan. These proposals are published in the minutes of the NDP Steering Committee of the 18th December 2017 and published on the Parish Council web site in the section titled “Reports, Minutes and Accounts”. These proposals will be presented for approval by the Parish Council on 9th January 2018. Thereafter, the Committee will commence writing a draft Neighbourhood Development Plan which will be the subject of extensive consultation. It is intended that an initial “draft of the draft plan” will be considered at the next NDP Steering Committee meeting on 21st February 2018.

SECTION1

% of respondents answering “yes/no/no opinion” to questions from the entire questionnaire

Question	Berkswell Yes response	Berkswell No response	Berkswell No opinion	Others Yes response	Others No response	Others No opinion
Do you agree with the draft Vision and Objectives?	91%	4.5%	4.5%	88%	5%	7%
Do you think the NDP should include criteria based policies to guide new housing development such as the examples in the questions below?	88%	3%	9%	89%	1%	10%
Do you or your family have a need for a particular size or type of affordable accommodation in Berkswell village or other rural settlement outside Balsall Common?	17%	83%		12%	88%	
Should the NDP include a policy setting out guidance to protect local landscape character?	97%	1%	2%	94%	5%	1%
Do you agree that the current system for managing development in the Berkswell Conservation area is sufficient and a set of guidelines will not be of assistance?	33%	28%	39%	18%	34%	48%
Should the NDP include a policy setting out guidance to help ensure the character of former agricultural buildings is protected in conversion schemes?	79%	2%	19%	86%	5%	9%
Should the NDP include a policy encouraging new developments to provide good accessibility to walking, cycling and mobility scooter networks and to reduce reliance on cars?	94%	3%	3%	89%	6%	5%
Should the NDP seek to improve car parking at Berkswell Station?	91%	8%	1%	94%	5%	1%
Should the parish council devote part of its share of the Community Infrastructure levy towards a cycle/pedestrian connection between Berkswell village and Balsall Common?	76%	16%	8%	68%	27%	5%
Should the parish council seek to improve parking at the station through allocating land for parking?	72%	23%	5%	88%	11%	1%
Should the NDP include a section identifying where investment is needed in local infrastructure? (excluding schools, utilities and highways etc.)	93%	7%		92%	8%	

Question	Berkswell Yes response	Berkswell No response	Berkswell No opinion	Others Yes response	Others No response	Others No opinion
Should the NDP include a policy supporting appropriate investment in local economic development?	62.5%	25.5%	12%	85%	12%	3%
Do you work from home?	21%	69%	10%	23%	74%	3%
Should the NDP include policies to encourage the inclusion of combined live/work units within new development?	39%	42%	19%	50%	39%	11%
Do you have any concerns about local business growth that you would like the NDP to consider?	42%	58%		30%	70%	
Should the Berkswell NDP have policies to focus retail development on the current Balsall Common centre?	73%	17%	10%	69%	26%	5%
Should the Berkswell NDP have policies to encourage retail development within the new housing developments?	46%	42%	12%	53%	40%	7%
The part of the Balsall Common shopping centre that falls within Berkswell Parish currently represents 6 of the 32 units. Do you agree that Balsall PC should lead on policies to support the Balsall Common centre	59%	29%	12%	83%	11%	6%
Overall, do you think the NDP should <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include a planning policy, or identify a site allocation, to provide for local affordable housing needs in Berkswell village (YES) • Leave this to Solihull MBC to provide for any affordable housing and local needs housing on the proposed Solihull Local Plan sites (NO) • No opinion 	53%	20%	27%	68%	12%	20%

Do you agree that planning policies should be developed for the criteria listed below? % of respondents agreeing

	Access to the development	Layout	Density and form, height, size etc	Use of materials typically used locally	The protection of trees and other important features on the site	Identifying any significant views into or out of the sites	Ensuring good access linking to local footpath and cycle networks, public transport, and local facilities	Parking places per home	Ease of ongoing maintenance of public spaces to keep future costs down	Secure by design to minimise crime and anti social behaviour	Designated storage for refuse and recycling bins	Permeable driveways to reduce water run off	Houses with gardens should come with water butts	Homes should have energy generation fitted as standard	Recycling of water for non drinking use
Berkswell	85%	78%	82%	60%	92%	59%	85%	84%	65%	74%	62%	69%	46%	55%	43%
Non Berkswell	78%	71%	77%	64%	84%	74%	82%	86%	68%	76%	69%	74%	53%	53%	51%

What sort of houses do you think are needed in the parish? % of respondents agreeing

	1 bedroom	2 bedroom	3 bedroom	4 bedroom	bungalows	flats	houses	sheltered homes
Berkswell	24%	70%	80%	49%	56%	19%	49%	36%
Non Berkswell	35%	66%	77%	41%	53%	31%	45%	45%

Reported affordable housing requirement for rural area of parish (including Berkswell village)

Number of bedrooms					Type of property						
1	2	3	4	5	House	Bungalow	Flat	Affordable rent	Shared ownership	Disability	Sheltered accommodation
10	21	18	10	1	0	4	0	10	5	7	1

Report on respondents answers to Yes/no/no opinion questions - Berkswell Parish only

Question	Berkswell Yes response	%	Berkswell No response	%	Berkswell No opinion	%
Do you agree with the draft Vision and Objectives?	247	91%	13	4.5%	11	4.5%
Do you think the NDP should include criteria based policies to guide new housing development such as the examples in the questions below?	239	88%	7	3%	25	9%
Do you or your family have a need for a particular size or type of affordable accommodation in Berkswell village or other rural settlement outside Balsall Common?	45	17%	226	83%		
Should the NDP include a policy setting out guidance to protect local landscape character?	262	97%	3	1%	6	2%
Do you agree that the current system for managing development in the Berkswell Conservation area is sufficient and a set of guidelines will not be of assistance?	89	33%	76	28%	106	39%
Should the NDP include a policy setting out guidance to help ensure the character of former agricultural buildings is protected in conversion schemes?	214	79%	6	2%	51	19%
Should the NDP include a policy encouraging new developments to provide good accessibility to walking, cycling and mobility scooter networks and to reduce reliance on cars?	255	94%	8	3%	8	3%
Should the NDP seek to improve car parking at Berkswell Station?	247	91%	21	8%	3	1%
Should the parish council devote part of its share of the Community Infrastructure levy towards a cycle/pedestrian connection between Berkswell village and Balsall Common?	207	76%	43	16%	21	8%
Should the parish council seek to improve parking at the station through allocating land for parking?	194	72%	63	23%	14	5%
Should the NDP include a section identifying where investment is needed in local infrastructure? (excluding schools, utilities and highways etc.)	251	93%	20	7%		
Should the NDP include a policy supporting appropriate investment in local economic development?	169	62.5%	69	25.5%	33	12%
Do you work from home?	57	21%	188	69%	26	10%

Question	Berkswell Yes response	%	Berkswell No response	%	Berkswell No opinion	%
Should the NDP include policies to encourage the inclusion of combined live/work units within new development?	105	39%	115	42%	51	19%
Do you have any concerns about local business growth that you would like the NDP to consider?	114	42%	157	58%		
Should the Berkswell NDP have policies to focus retail development on the current Balsall Common centre?	197	73%	46	17%	28	10%
Should the Berkswell NDP have policies to encourage retail development within the new housing developments?	125	46%	113	42%	33	12%
The part of the Balsall Common shopping centre that falls within Berkswell Parish currently represents 6 of the 32 units. Do you agree that Balsall PC should lead on policies to support the Balsall Common centre	161	59%	79	29%	31	12%
Overall, do you think the NDP should <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include a planning policy, or identify a site allocation, to provide for local affordable housing needs in Berkswell village (YES) • Leave this to Solihull MBC to provide for any affordable housing and local needs housing on the proposed Solihull Local Plan sites (NO) No opinion	144	53%	55	20%	72	27%

Report on respondents answers to Yes/no/no opinion questions - Non Berkswell Parish only

Question	Non Berkswell Yes response	%	Non Berkswell No response	%	Non Berkswell No opinion	%
Do you agree with the draft Vision and Objectives?	117	88%	7	5%	9	7%
Do you think the NDP should include criteria based policies to guide new housing development such as the examples in the questions below?	118	89%	2	1%	13	10%
Do you or your family have a need for a particular size or type of affordable accommodation in Berkswell village or other rural settlement outside Balsall Common?	16	12%	117	88%		
Should the NDP include a policy setting out guidance to protect local landscape character?	125	94%	7	5%	1	1%
Do you agree that the current system for managing development in the Berkswell Conservation area is sufficient and a set of guidelines will not be of assistance?	24	18%	45	34%	64	48%
Should the NDP include a policy setting out guidance to help ensure the character of former agricultural buildings is protected in conversion schemes?	114	86%	7	5%	12	9%
Should the NDP include a policy encouraging new developments to provide good accessibility to walking, cycling and mobility scooter networks and to reduce reliance on cars?	119	89%	8	6%	6	5%
Should the NDP seek to improve car parking at Berkswell Station?	125	94%	7	5%	1	1%
Should the parish council devote part of its share of the Community Infrastructure levy towards a cycle/pedestrian connection between Berkswell village and Balsall Common?	90	68%	36	27%	7	5%
Should the parish council seek to improve parking at the station through allocating land for parking?	117	88%	14	11%	2	1%
Should the NDP include a section identifying where investment is needed in local infrastructure? (excluding schools, utilities and highways etc.)	122	92%	11	8%		
Should the NDP include a policy supporting appropriate investment in local	113	85%	16	12%	4	3%

Question	Non Berkswell Yes response	%	Non Berkswell No response	%	Non Berkswell No opinion	%
economic development?						
Do you work from home?	31	23%	98	74%	4	3%
Should the NDP include policies to encourage the inclusion of combined live/work units within new development?	66	50%	52	39%	15	11%
Do you have any concerns about local business growth that you would like the NDP to consider?	40	30%	93	70%		
Should the Berkswell NDP have policies to focus retail development on the current Balsall Common centre?	92	69%	34	26%	7	5%
Should the Berkswell NDP have policies to encourage retail development within the new housing developments?	70	53%	53	40%	10	7%
The part of the Balsall Common shopping centre that falls within Berkswell Parish currently represents 6 of the 32 units. Do you agree that Balsall PC should lead on policies to support the Balsall Common centre	111	83%	14	11%	8	6%
Overall, do you think the NDP should <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include a planning policy, or identify a site allocation, to provide for local affordable housing needs in Berkswell village (YES) • Leave this to Solihull MBC to provide for any affordable housing and local needs housing on the proposed Solihull Local Plan sites (NO) • No opinion 	90	68%	16	12%	27	20%

Do you agree that planning policies should be developed for the criteria listed below? Number of responses

	Access to the development	Layout	Density and form, height, size etc	Use of materials typically used locally	The protection of trees and other important features on the site	Identifying any significant views into or out of the sites	Ensuring good access linking to local footpath and cycle networks, public transport, and local facilities	Parking places per home	Ease of ongoing maintenance of public spaces to keep future costs down	Secure by design to minimise crime and anti social behaviour	Designated storage for refuse and recycling bins	Permeable driveways to reduce water run off	Houses with gardens should come with water butts	Homes should have energy generation fitted as standard	Recycling of water for non drinking use
Berkswell	229	210	223	162	248	159	231	227	177	201	167	186	124	148	117
Non Berkswell	104	95	102	85	112	98	109	114	91	101	92	99	70	70	68

What sort of houses do you think are needed in the parish? Number of responses

	1 bedroom	2 bedroom	3 bedroom	4 bedroom	bungalows	flats	houses	sheltered homes
Berkswell	66	191	216	132	152	51	133	98
Non Berkswell	46	88	102	54	71	41	60	60

Section 2

Question 1 – Comments on Vision and Objectives

Parish	Do you agree with the Draft Vision and Objectives above?	Please provide any comments suggesting how they could be improved	Affinity classification Comment A	Affinity classification Comment B	Is this a Vision enhancement suggestion?
Balsall Parish	Yes	OBJECTIVE 2 REFERS TO HIGH QUALITY DESIGN - THE QUALITY OF CONSTRUCTION IS EQUALLY IMPORTANT AND PROPER INSPECTION IS REQUIRED	Out of scope		No Out of scope
Balsall Parish	Yes	BETTER ROAD SIGNAGE NEEDED	1		No Out of scope
Balsall Parish	Yes	WILD AREAS SHOULD STILL BE MANAGED BY THE RESPONSIBLE BODY (OWNER). IITTER/INJURIOUS WEEDS IE RAGWORT / DOCKS SHOULD BE CONTROLLED. THE INFRASTRUCTURE (ROADS) THROUGH BERKSWELL VILLAGE IS NOT ABLE TO COPE WITH TODAYS REQUIREMENTS. THERE SHOULD BE NO FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF HOUSING IN BERKSWELL WITHOUT SORTING THIS PROBLEM	1	9	No out of scope
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Some identification of brown fields sites	1		No Out of scope
Balsall Parish	Yes	PUBLIC TRANSPORT NEEDS TO BE IMPROVED IT IS LUDICROUS TO HAVE A 40MINUTE GAP BETWEEN TRAINS. THERE NEEDS TO BE BUS SERVICES CONNNECTING THE VILLAGE WITH THE STATION; WITH KENILWORTH; THE INTERNATIONAL STATION AND AIRPORT; AND MOST IMPORTANTLY WITH THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS	2		No Out of scope
Balsall Parish	Yes	More retail less estate agents	2		No Out of scope
Balsall Parish	Yes	What about schools, shops and similar infrastructure.	2		No Out of scope
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Berkswell Parish and Balsall Parish must be separate entities. This will be the only	2		No

		way Berkswell PC will be able to fight and minimise development.			out of scope
Berkswell Parish	No	To remove housing development and concentrate on the other objectives which need to be met more urgently before any expansion of housing should be considered. Schooling in the area is already at capacity. Parking facilities are extremely limited creating danger on the roads both within the village itself, Hall Meadow Road where overflow station users park and roads such as Meeting House Lane where the road is used as a thoroughfare despite it being a narrow road. These initial issues of which I could highlight numerous more are vital to a functioning community that is at bursting point already. Plans to develop housing is not a priority need to be met when the safety of the existing community; which includes the aged and children is not initially been safeguarded by the Local Authority.	2	7	No Out of scope
Berkswell Parish	Yes	I would like the reference to vehicular traffic flows to also make reference to the need to ensure safe traffic speeds and for access points to new developments to be from larger roads that can support an increase in traffic volumes (i.e. no access from narrow residential lanes, like Meeting House Lane).	3		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	I would like to see traffic flow 'managed' rather than 'improved' which suggests traffic will be encouraged, which I hope it will not be	3		Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	Traffic calming in the village needs to be included. The speeds that people travel and the heavy lorries are dangerous on Meriden Road	3		Yes
Balsall Parish	Yes	more detailed maps of roads not just an overview	3		No Out of scope
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Ensure there is ONLY vehicle access for residents & NOT HGV and routes for through traffic.	3		No Out of scope
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Traffic Flows. Meeting House Lane is a lane and not suitable for access and could be blocked off at the church to improve access and safety (for horses & people). Build a pavement.	3		No Detailed point

					consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	No	We should not be encouraging more local business. This is a residential area but local lanes are being destroyed by trucks	3		Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	No more local business it just encourages traffic	3		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	I a worried about business development that brings more lorries	3		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	If people are to be attracted to work here where are the places of work to be placed and what would be the nature of these activities.	4		No
Berkswell Parish	No	The comments on appropriate housing are too vague. The region needs to capitalise on its attractive locations to attract new business into the cities	5		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	They look very comprehensive	5		yes
Berkswell Parish	No	Define supportive Define inclusive	5		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Emphasis on young people	5		Yes
Not sure	Yes	Need for clear guidelines and limits. Emphasise the added value and benefits of requirements to the area and its residents	5		Yes
Balsall Parish	Yes	re work: not to be found within parishes. most residents would have to commute	5		No
Balsall Parish	No	TOO MUCH DEVELOPMENT IN BCOMMON AREA. BC SHOULD BE PROTECTED	5		No Out of scope
Balsall Parish	Yes	PRETTY COMPREHENSIVE	5		No
Balsall Parish	Yes	I FEEL THAT BERKSWELL SHOULD RETAIN CONSERVATION AREA BUT THAT BERKSWELL/BALSALL SHOULD BE WORKING AS ONE IE BARRETT'S LANE PROPOSAL IMPACTS ON BOTH	5		No Out of scope
Balsall Parish	No	YOUVE GIVEN US THE HEADLINES - WHAT IS THE DETAIL! THEY ARE THE KIND OF STATEMENTS THAT EVERYONE INITIALLY AGREES WITH, BUT HIDE THE TRUE IMPACT. FOR EXAMPLE, POINT 7 REALLY MEANS BUILDING A BYPASS - THEN INFILLING WITH HOUSES. POINT 11 - LOCAL BUSINESS NEEDS IS HOW IT STARTS BUT EVENTUALLY TAKEN OVER BY BIGGER BUSINESS EG COSTA	5		No

Balsall Parish	No	DO NOT WANT ANY DEVELOPMENT	5		No Out of scope
Balsall Parish	Yes	To include all in Balsall Common	5		No Out of scope
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Captures the main points and the essence of what we want to achieve	5		No
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Overall agree, however, the vision and objectives appear to accept development is necessary. I want development kept to an absolute minimum.	5		No Out of scope
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Although looking at the SMBC map of where developments are proposed we seem to have an awful lot.	5		No
Berkswell Parish	Yes	They look good	5		No
Berkswell Parish		Nothing written	5		No
Berkswell Parish		Nothing written	5		No
Berkswell Parish	Yes	While easy to agree, but how flexible?	5		No
Berkswell Parish	No	Some I agree with others I don't.	5		No
Berkswell Parish	No	Houses will be forced on us. Developers will have land and in their good time will build the houses they wish to have to make most money. It is not always the best for people. Style and vernacular are invariably ignored	5		No
Berkswell Parish	No	Developers will occupy land and only build in their own good time. They respond to a certain type of demand which is not best for community. Commerce and need are governed by money	5		No
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Limit development or include some sensitivity clauses for those who choose to live in this area because it's a village and have paid substantial premiums over the years to be part of it.	5		No Out of scope
Berkswell Parish	Yes	It would be nice to have a village green	6		Yes
Balsall Parish	Yes	PEDESTRIAN CROSSING OUTSIDE SHOPS IN STATION ROAD	6		No Detailed point consider elsewhere

Balsall Parish	Yes	Parking in Balsall Common centre is already awful, more parking is definitely needed, the centre could do with a revamp anyway if more people will be living in the area. More restaurants, less estate agents	6	7	No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Balsall Parish	Yes	To ensure there is adequate safe pedestrian crossing in village centre.	6		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	It would be good to have more variety of businesses in village centre - far too many estate agents, hairdressers and curry houses!!!	6		No Out of scope
Not sure	Yes	You have covered everything and more specifically - improving street lighting, CCTV in village, parking in village, amenities such as a proper supermarket to accommodate the number of residents, outdoor and indoor play areas/facilities for children, pavements for walking and running and better cycle routes	6	52 57	No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	More parking space at Lavender Hall car park. A man with a business called "Boots" is now using it every Saturday AM for a paid exercise class resulting in footballers and dog walkers having to park on road.	7		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Lavender Hall Lane Park - More car parking spaces for recreational purposes i.e. football & dogwalkers/runners NOT as a business for exercise classes	7		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Better and more car parks	7		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	The vision is sound but within it you must make clear the absolute priorities and elements which should not, should compromise occur, be at any cost watered down. In my opinion, the very essence of Berkswell as a rural village amidst green belt land should be protected - that means no new building	9	56	Yes

		on fields, greenbelt or rural land. Only build on already developed land/larger homes/plots that can be redeveloped. Balsall Common is being ruined as are many similar villages across the country. We must make a stand on this or our children and grandchildren will never see a field.			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Traffic flows should perhaps be restricted through Berkswell Village.	9		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	No	I believe that any additional housing in berkswell village will put too much pressure on the existing roads. The through traffic on Spencer's Lane and meriden road is already a huge issue and particularly dangerous near the school where speed restrictions are not adhered to.	9		No Out of scope
	Yes	To provide a safe environment for a busy school area with road safety as a high priority including lollipop person/pedestrian crossing. Marked up parking bays opposite the Reading Room as opposed to just gravel area. to stop parking on Lavender Hall Lane. To put speed humps through the village of Berkswell	9		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Balsall Parish	Yes	I agree in principle but would add that the new housing needs to include affordable housing. also any development needs to include additional community facilities.	50	52	Yes
Balsall Parish	Yes	i agree with some social housing but i do question what work is available to keep young people in the area - commuting defeats the object	50	51	No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Not sure	Yes	not too much social housing - more "upper end" homes. Should be some social homes however	50		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Balsall Parish	Yes	Need to be cheaper house so that younger people do not have to move out of the area as they can't afford to	50		No Detailed

		buy a house here.			point consider elsewhere
Balsall Parish	No	A wide variety of housing is needed, to retain our young people and give properties for seniors to downsize to	50	54	No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Providing home for the young is admirable. Challenge is work - what opportunities exist? If new homes are built we will just become a commuter base.	51		Yes
Balsall Parish	Yes	to encourage the development of health wellbeing and leisure activity	52		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	We need more community facilities to go with the new infrastructure	52		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	More emphasis on things for children if we are to get lots more family homes	52		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	To provide public parks for leisure. To provide shopping areas with appropriate parking facilities	52	7	Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Personally feel more to be done to attract younger person, also provide areas that can be used for leisure activities for the persons of Berkswell	52	53	Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	More clarity on business proposals. Location for Religious, Extra Curricular purpose if required	52	4	No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	To provide improved play areas for children of all ages with updated & modern equipment	52		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No mention of improved sports and recreation facilities for use by schools and community	52		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	We need an all-weather pitch for sport such as for local hockey and football teams for use of local schools and clubs	52		No Detailed point consider elsewhere

Berkswell Parish	Yes	Taking into account the need for improving recreational ground such as an all-weather sports pitch.	52		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Improved sports and park facilities open to all.	52		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
		See comments on new sport ground vision required in infrastructure question	52		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	The draft vision for Berkswell Parish focusses on enhancing the values of the local community. In delivering these values only then will the neighbourhood grow & thrive whilst maintaining it's unique heritage and rural setting.	52		Yes
Balsall Parish	Yes	INCLUDE OBJECTIVES FOR TEENAGERS - EITHER IMPROVE FACILITIES OR GOOD TRANSPORT LINKS TO LOCAL TOWNS	53		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Very happy with emphasis on young people & families, but I feel that more mention should be made of people of all ages.	53	54	Yes
Balsall Parish	Yes	THE DEVELOPMENT SHOULD BE SENSITIVE TO THE INTEGRATION OF HOUSING FOR OLDER PEOPLE IN ORDER TO PREVENT THEM BECOMING ISOLATED - IT SHOULD BE A DEVELOPMENT WHICH WILL ENCOURAGE A TRUE COMMUNITY	54		Yes
Balsall Parish	Yes	GENERALLY AGREED BUT SEE BELOW. HOUSING OBJECTIVES; 1) NOT JUST YOUNG PEOPLE, BUT ALSO FOR OLDER PEOPLE WHO WANT TO DOWNSIZE EG BUNGALOWS 2) AGREED LANDSCAPE: 3) AGREED 4) AGREED 5) TO RETAIN; OR IF ALTERED THEN ADAPTED ACCESSABILITY: 6-10 GENERALLY AGREED - BROADBAND + COST VERY IMPORTANT AND IMPROVED VILLAGE PARKING WOULD HELP BUSINESS: LAND COULD BE ALLOCATED	54 5	7	Yes

		FOR STARTER BUSINESSES 11 AND 12 GENERALLY AGREED			
Balsall Parish	No	PARTLY - SOME PROPERTIES NEEDED FOR ELDERLY PARENTS - NOT SHELTERED OR NURSING HOME	54		Yes
Balsall Parish	Yes	Understand we need to emphasise young people and families to ensure a vibrant community. With our aging population however, there should have some recognition of meeting the needs also of our aging population (e.g. could lead to need for more bungalows). Also is there a balance to be had between having employment locally as (cant read word) to efficient links t major employment centres? More employment opportunities may well lead to more pressure to grow and hence put further strain on the greenbelt? Really like the focus on green space.	54 51	52	Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Objectives should include downsizing for older people	54		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Maybe we don't just need housing for young families. Something for us older folk to move into that is easier for us as we get more decrepit	54		Yes
Berkswell Parish		You should not lose focus on the fact that a large part of the community are 60+. Whilst we should assist younger families to enjoy the rural lifestyle those of us that have been here for many years supporting and being involved should not be forgotten and their needs to maybe downsize but still live here should be considered thus making larger family homes available too.	54		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Perhaps a bit of emphasis that new housing should include for old and disabled needs	54		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Perhaps mention older residents hoping needs	54		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Bit more emphasis on older people needs maybe	54		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	More for older people	54		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Housing objective should not be just for young people, should be more inclusive for all age groups so the community is balanced across age groups	54		Yes
Berkswell	Yes	Bit more on older people and disabled.	54	57	Yes

Parish		Those in motability scooters needs.			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Maybe downsizing bungalows with gardens	54		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Include down sizing homes for older residents	54		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Enabling sustainable developments improvements - e.g. green roofs and solar PV panels	55		yes Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	A I think there should be some expansion on what constitutes "high quality housing designs". B On "Affordable Houses" I think their should be a requirement to aim for a square meterage of 100 living space. This is a an effective way of keeping cost down & is easily monitored & prevents the property being lifted up the cost ladder by subsequent sale. It also provides adequate accommodation for young & old people.	55		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Protect the green belt. Current infrastructure cannot sustain much more housing.	56		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	I feel the statement lacks something about preserving the heritage assets. It mentions the conservation area but I'm mindful there is the Windmill, marshland special areas (I think) and other listed buildings of importance beyond Berkswell conservation area. I think the wording should be strengthened to reflect this aspect.	56		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	I am anxious that the developments proposed by Solihull are as sensitive as possible to the Green Belt and village life and I feel that the NDP has this priority too.	56		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	The vision discusses protecting the rural environment within the Meriden Gap. There should also be thought given to	56		Yes

		protecting the rural space between Balsall Common and Berkswell so they don't become one large conurbation			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Keep Balsall Common green	56		Yes
Not sure		The HS2 new railway line will provide a significant settlement boundary to the village of Balsall Common beyond which to the east there should be no significant development to the Green belt to protect the Meriden gap with the distinct rural character of Berkswell Parish.	56		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	If green belt has to be developed, and I am not sure that this case has been proved, then the landscape character and rural area objectives are key, but this should include retention of footpaths.	56	57	Yes
Balsall Parish	Yes	No building on green belt land or in people's gardens	56		No
Balsall Parish	No	Build on brown field sites....NOT ON THE COUNTRYSIDE!	56		No
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Not encourage development on green belt areas such Barrett's farm, which goes against the above objectives.	56		No Out of scope
Berkswell Parish	Yes	keep off the green belt	56		No Out of scope
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Priority should be given to walking, cycling and public transport over cars which completely dominate the public environment in the parish to the detriment of other road users. Littering penalties need to be enforced much more strictly.	57		Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	agree generally with the above and I would like to see more of safer cycling paths and walking. There is current lack of children playing areas in Berkswell. Could this be considered in development plan especially with the expected expansion in the number of residents.	57	52	Yes
Berkswell Parish	Yes	A safe all weather walking and cycling route from Berkswell Village to Berkswell Station	57		No Detailed point consider elsewhere
Berkswell	Yes	Nothing to disagree with but they avoid	58		Yes

Parish		the hard choices and compromises we will have to make. Surprised at lack of reference to HS2. The use of land adjacent to the HS2 line is a very big issue to be addressed in the NDP.			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Include our area on Duggins Lane	59		Yes
Not sure	Yes	Provision of fibre infrastructure and electrical infrastructure for car charging- public and private	60		Yes

Question 2 – Suggestions for other planning policies

Decent size plots	Compost bins	Large green spaces	Children's play areas
No gardens but access to green space	Parking for visitors	Avoid visual aspects of eg PVC as far as possible	Public transport and local facilities
No use of GB for big houses, only for small houses for the young and downsizers	Access to the development should be broadened out to consider impact on traffic and the residential routes that it will be driven down?	A minimum of 2 parking spaces per home is very necessary. Avoid pavement parking Riddings Hill problems and also include good fire protection	Density of new housing to meet existing ratios
Sheltered must focus on needs of aging population.	Bridleways	Materials should be eco efficient. Housing design must allow for privacy and space.	Leisure facilities to be included
Sensibly priced locally not nationally	Public transport	Use of brownfield site less emphasis on profit for developers	Play space
Social housing	Re permeable drives- newish material in courtyard at Baddesley Clinton is an excellent example	The previously proposed bypass to relieve traffic through Balsall Common must form part of this NDP to ensure any development takes account	Energy efficiency above minimum standards in building regs – zero carbon targets
Mix allowing elderly to live near young families	Landscaping within development, include small ponds for water to drain into and encourage wildlife with grass and shrubbery around ponds	Homes that are not starter homes ie one bedroom flats could have the option on first purchase from the builder for energy generation?	Space between existing houses and new ones
Don't destroy current community	Designated storage for flats	Keep green space. Separate driveways not shared.	Play areas and parks
No high rise	We should be following Japan's lead and insist on solar panels on all new roofing	Lots of safe green areas for children and dogs.	Solar power
Use empty houses first	Solar panels for home and street lighting to keep energy costs low and reduce Co2	The local material is very varied and may not carry much weight?	Electric car charging sockets x2

No multiple occupancy	Wildlife habitat to be increased and proactively maintained	Large green spaces	Build fewer houses it's a village not a town
	All the above are meaningless unless adequate support facilities for occupants are provided	All items on this list are of great value but at what cost?	Emphasis on shared communal space, allotments, wildlife.
	Using building materials and design that will last and be robust		Keep it green

Question 3 – Local affordable housing needs

Parish	Do you or your family have a need for a particular size or type of affordable accommodation in Berkswell village or other rural settlement OUTSIDE BALSALL COMMON?	If so, please say why it needs to be in the Berkswell village or other rural settlement,	What type / size of house you are looking for?
Berkswell Parish	Yes	To be close to work in the village as there is a 24/7 requirement for someone to be available.	2 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Within Balsall Common Area	3 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes	We are RURAL people & DO NOT LIKE Built up AREA'S Sue I've typed this as it was written.	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Way of life	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Village environment.	1 bedroom;2 bedroom;Social affordable rent
Berkswell Parish	Yes	To live in a good community which this area supplies. Near to family and quality of life.	2 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes	To downsize from existing property (4 bed) ideally into bungalow or sheltered.	2 bedroom;Bungalow/s heltered
Balsall Parish	Yes	To be close to family and schools	3 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes	To avoid our children having to move away	1 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes	There are no affordable housing requirements in my family I would suggest that adapted housing would be useful in the area to cater for older residents.	Disabled adapted
Berkswell Parish	Yes	The children attend Heart of England school due to circumstances have to move to a smaller property.	3 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Quality of life	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Peace & quiet, away from rat race	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Nothing written	3 bedroom;Social affordable rent
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No reason given	1 bedroom;2 bedroom;Disabled adapted
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No personal need, but young people especially need to be considered, not forced out of village (ie. priced out).	
Balsall Parish	Yes	Near Warwick Hospital	4 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes	I need ready access to the countryside to provide me the sort of life I want to lead	2 bedroom

Berkswell Parish	Yes	Having lives in the area most of my life, in retirement I don't see the need to look elsewhere nor do I intend to.	1 bedroom;2 bedroom;Social affordable rent
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Green spaces, farms, fields	3 bedroom
Balsall Parish	Yes	Friends are here	3 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes	For possible 'downsizing' and remain in Berkswell	3 bedroom
Not sure	Yes	commutable into Bham Cov Kenilworth etc	3 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Close proximity to trees and open spaces	2 bedroom
Not sure	Yes	Children attend Berkswell school - present have to drive them as live just outside area. Housing prices are ridiculous.	3 bedroom;4 bedroom;Social affordable rent
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Been a resident of BC and Berkswell for 53 years.	Bungalows for elderly.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Because it's the life style we've chosen and enjoyed for 40years	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Because I love it& have done for 40 years	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Access to countryside and fresh air	2 bedroom
Balsall Parish	Yes		1 bedroom;2 bedroom;Social affordable rent;Disabled adapted
Balsall Parish	Yes		4 bedroom
Balsall Parish	Yes		Social affordable rent
Balsall Parish	Yes		1 bedroom;2 bedroom
Balsall Parish	Yes		4 bedroom
Balsall Parish	Yes		2 bedroom;3 bedroom
Balsall Parish	Yes		2 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes		3 bedroom;4 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes		2 bedroom;3 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes		
Berkswell Parish	Yes		Local shops within walking distance
Berkswell Parish	Yes		4 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes		1 bedroom;2 bedroom;Shared ownership;Social affordable rent
Berkswell Parish	Yes		2 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes		2 bedroom;3 bedroom;4

			bedroom;Disabled adapted
Balsall Parish	Yes	WORK	2 bedroom;Shared ownership
Not sure	Yes	We have connection to Berkswell church and school	3 bedroom;4 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes	To enable our children to live locally	Shared ownership;Bungalows
Berkswell Parish	Yes	To be near to work in village.	1 bedroom;Social affordable rent
Berkswell Parish	Yes	To allow elderly to live close to Berkswell residents for care needs	Disabled adapted
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Need my parents to be local as they are elderly & suffered a stroke, need to be cared for.	Disabled adapted
Berkswell Parish	Yes	My children attend school here and I'm still renting as property is too expensive. The size of deposit needed to buy is out of my reach.	3 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Local family with children who have no chance of living in the village without this type of housing.	2 bedroom;3 bedroom;Shared ownership;Social affordable rent
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Large family size. Children with special needs who need rural environment to grow and thrive.	4 bedroom;5 bedroom
Not sure	Yes	I am a lone parent and have access to regular childcare in the village so would like to stay here with my 2 young children who are settled in the primary school in the village. I have a need for a smaller property and it seems there is a lack of 3 bedroom houses with a garden for sale as every one is expanding their properties to maximise their investments and for the needs of their growing families. I want to down size and am struggling to find a smaller house thats walking distance to the village and the train station.	3 bedroom
Balsall Parish	Yes	Future family support	3 bedroom;4 bedroom;Shared ownership
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Family, friends & transport links. Quality of life.	1 bedroom;Social affordable rent
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Family located in Berkswell. Business in both parishes.	2 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Family and health reasons	1 bedroom
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Family	Disabled adapted
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Elderly parishioners downsizing and wishing to stay in the area they have lived for 40 years+	2 bedroom;Bungalows
	Yes	Convenient, pleasant environment & facilities	

Question 5 – Berkswell Conservation area

Parish	Do you agree that the current system for managing development in the Conservation Area is sufficient and a set of design guidelines will not be of assistance?	If you consider that new design guidance statement should be created, what do you think it should say in relation to the built heritage of the Conservation Area to supplement the current position?	Classification	Are there suggestions for design guidance?
Berkswell Parish	No	The current position seems to focus on the characteristics of Berkswell village rather than the parish as a whole. Therefore, I think it essential that SMBC and Berkswell Parish Council collaborate on new guidelines to ensure the rural character of the Balsall Common parts of the parish are also protected.		No
Berkswell Parish	No	Current rules are OK, enforcement is not	1	No
Berkswell Parish	No	Should include criteria related to traffic management	3	Yes
Balsall Parish	No	Architecture should reflect that of the area and high density should be banned	5	Yes
Balsall Parish	No	Consideration of all village historical features and infrastructure with respect to health and welfare of residents.	5	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	Conservation Areas should NOT be built upon, under any circumstances.	5	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	Ask experts	5	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	Solihull Council do not seem to have the best interests of the local community at heart. I feel the Parish Council should play a greater part in maintaining heritage in our Conversation Area.	5	No
Balsall Parish	No	Don't build on it	5	No
Balsall Parish	No	I am not qualified to advise.	5	No

Balsall Parish	No	It should Identify the value of Berkswell village to the area - Solihull - Coventry & W Midlands for recreation & history. Funds should be provided by all to ensure its ???????????? in its historic form	5	No
Balsall Parish	No	NOT BAD BUT CAN BE MADE MORE STRINGENT AND EFFECTIVE	5	No
Balsall Parish	No	protect	5	No
Berkswell Parish	No	need to be taken in consideration and strongly	5	No
Berkswell Parish	No	Should be more specific to local area and character of such. Too much development in any one area will change the feel.	5	No Not specific to Conservation Area
Not sure	No	Nothing written in the space provided	5	No
Not sure	No	Tighter restrictions on development in the core of Berkswell Village. Development only on Brownfield sites.	5	No
Berkswell Parish	No	I consider that Berkswell/Balsall Common are having too high a percentage of the houses to be built imposed on them and they should reject the proposals outright	5	No
Berkswell Parish	No	No consideration is ever given to the centre of the village, more parking, and access to the shops will be more of a problem with the increase of the population that is expected.	9	No Related to Balsall Common
Berkswell Parish	No	It should allow new modern design which blends well with what is there. The village is already a mix of designs including 1960's council houses	55	Yes

Berkswell Parish	No	A spread of property types from low to high	55	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	Any development must take into consideration historic/heritage elements of the village and not allow for quick profit making	55	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	Character of housing development should be in keeping with current housing	55	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	It should allow for new homes but they should be of a size that fits with the current built environment. They can be modern as long as they have architectural merit, not brick boxes	55	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	All building should be sympathetic to conservation area and mindful of additional stresses it places on the village services	55	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	Not impact badly on existing residents simply because additional housing is required, i.e. blocking out light, noise pollution, increased traffic on currently quiet roads, etc.	55	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	Use materials in keeping with the locality. Justify every development. It is not sufficient to keep blaming the government. Councils have lots of options but choose the most destructive where possible. This should be prevented.	55	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	It should be compatible with, enhance and preserve the character of Berkswell.	55	Yes
Not sure	No	Any development should be aesthetically pleasing and blend in with surroundings. In any plan someone should be appointed responsible for this aspect.	55	Yes

Berkswell Parish	No	Design guidance will be useful - otherwise SMBC will ignore conservation areas because developers may be faced with extra costs.	55	No
Berkswell Parish	No	Provision of further advice & guidance for builders or anyone who intends to develop property or features within the conservation area	55	No
Not sure	No	I feel that some new properties are being shoe horned into the smallest of spaces and very little consideration is given to the overall aesthetics of the property. The design of some of the new homes are not aesthetically pleasing and little regard has been given to improve the overall appeal of the village and more effort has been put into making a quick buck! I feel strongly that the design of properties should fit into the character of the village and add value to the overall village and not diminish the look and feel that the village has.	55	No Not about Conservation Area
Balsall Parish	No	Buildings alongside conservation areas should not eat into green space excessively and should be complimentary, retaining as far as possible the village feel.	56	Yes
Balsall Parish	No	Contractors involved in building should have an environmental policy of their own. Conservation of trees and hedgerows is critical to the community and quality of life.	56	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	Protect trees, open spaces, hedgerows, wild life, meadows for insects and other pollinators	56	Yes

Berkswell Parish	No	Protect trees, open spaces, hedgerows, wildlife. We need meadows for butterflies and other insects to pollinate	56	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	No incursion by building on green belt land.	56	Yes
Balsall Parish	No	ENSURE CURRENT CHARACTER IS MAINTAINED AND AVOID URBAN SPRAWL. ENSURE INFRASTRUCTURE IS MAINTAINED AND IMPROVED TO SUPPORT FUTURE DEVELOPMENT BEFORE THAT DEVELOPEMENT IS PUT IN PLACE	56	No Not a comment about Conservation Area
Balsall Parish	No	CONSERVATION AREA NEEDS TO TAKE WIDER CONTEXT INTO ACCOUNT - OTHER NEARBY AREAS SHOULD NOT BEAR THE BRUNT OF DEVELOPMENT	56	No
Berkswell Parish	No	New design needs to respect current rural feel. Plenty of green open space	56	No Probably not about Conservation Area
Berkswell Parish	No	Please uphold on local heritage its rural beauty, access & increased availabilty	56	No
Berkswell Parish	No	No new buildings should be allowed within a conservation area without prior extensive consultation with residents and Berkswell Parish Council.	81	Yes
Balsall Parish	No	Respect existing visual and social character. No dense development. No infill.	81	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	Assuming new guidelines will support & enhance rules of CA then it is necessary and should be specific to Berkswell helping to tighten up Conservation Rules.	81	No
Balsall Parish	No	EMPHASIS ON LOCAL AREA REQUIREMENT AS WELL AS GENERAL POLICY	81	No Not about Conservation Area

Balsall Parish	No	I think that local opinion should carry more sway than it appears to at present.	81	No
Balsall Parish	No	more local input which has deeper knowledge of the local area should be used	81	No
Berkswell Parish	No	Needs something to remove rather ad-hoc approach. Needs proper committee to get all interested parties onboard. It seems to be management by issues as they come up though present PC is doing better job than in past.	81	No
Balsall Parish	No	Petition and listen to local peoples' needs	81	No
Berkswell Parish	No	The future character of an area is strongly influenced by the types of buildings which are allowed. However experienced, a single conservation officer should not be the primary decision maker, especially if they work within a legislative framework where the default seems to be yes to everything.	81	No
Berkswell Parish	No	I do not live there but I would not leave anything to the discretion of the Solihull Planners	81	No
Berkswell Parish	No	It should not be left to a single Solihull Council official. See what other conservation areas do.	81	Yes

Not sure	No	<p>The problem with calling Berkswell a conservation area is that its application is inconsistent. Of course there is a premium for allowing the status quo - character houses and pathetic road safety measures to placate the people who want to retain the high house prices whilst at the same time allowing cars to speed through the village, attach satellite dishes to the side of houses and benefit from street lights and an occasional bus. Please explain to me what is being conserved ? If it is trees and hedgerows and fields I would support you. I am less sure about housing. Good modern design is better than ugly old housing such as the almshouses. Beauty is in the site of the beholder and with HS2 encroaching on the parish there is already the opportunity to embrace change. There is already an eclectic mix of buildings from medieval to modern so I can't see the point of restricting house designs and materials etc. Is the intention to preserve Berkswell in aspic? What period is preferred? 1930s perhaps? Affordable housing is a must - both rented and perhaps equity share houses for sale. A mix of people from all walks of life moving into the village is vital for its continued survival and also to promote social cohesion and community resilience.</p>	82	YES
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Balsall Parish	No	CURRENT INTERPRETATION OF DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES RESTRICTS THE ABILITY OF AGRICULTURE TO ADAPT TO MODERN DEMANDS. FARMLAND SHOULD BE USED NOT ONLY TO GROW CROPS BUT TO MEET THE NEEDS OF AN INCREASINGLY DEMANDING PRESENCE OF THE URBAN COMMUNITY	82	No
Not sure	No	This survey is designed to prevent modern building construction designed by NIMBYs leave the past behind look to the future and embrace it	82	No
Berkswell Parish	No	Protect and conserve Green Belt land in conservation area. Robust design guidelines essential to fit in with rural landscape.	56 and 55	Yes
Berkswell Parish	No	All as in Q4. Who makes decisions on these is critical; as what one person thinks looks acceptable/good is different to another. New innovative designs may be good but probably not in isolation.	55 and 81	No
Balsall Parish	No	IT WOULD BE OF ASSISTANCE, THE DEVELOPMENT OF BERKSWELL FARM SHOULD GO AHEAD IN A SENSITIVE WAY. NEW LIFE IN THE VILLAGE WOULD BE GOOD. WE WOULD BUY.	82 and 80	No
Berkswell Parish	No	It needs more thought as to how it should continue to conserve the area in the village and also to conserve the outlying areas too.	56	No

Question 8 – Improving Local infrastructure suggestions

Parish	Should the parish council devote part of its share of the Community Infrastructure Levy towards a cycle/pedestrian connection between Berkswell village and Balsall Common?	Should the parish council seek to improve parking at the station through allocating land for parking?	Should the NDP include a section identifying where investment is needed in local infrastructure? (excluding schools, utilities, highways etc)	What other sorts of improvements in local infrastructure are needed?	Affinity classification Comment A	Affinity classification Comment B	Affinity classification Comment C	Affinity classification Comment D
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	BETTER MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE; WHICH IS PATH REPAIRS, HEDGE TRIMMING, LIGHTING	1			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Better maintenance of highways e.g. grass cutting of carriageway verges etc.	1			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Proper cutting of overhanging trees. Verges tidied back to footpaths original width. Pedestrian crossing at roundabout to GP's surgery. More parking spaces in village centre. Sports facilities,e.g. Gym, swimming pool.	1	2	7	52
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	ENSURE FLOOD ALLEVIATION IS BUILT IN TO SCHEMES; IMPROVE BROADBAND/MOBILE PHONE CONNECTIVITY ACROSS THE PARISH;PROVIDE A FOOTPATH BETWEEN BERKSWELL AND BALSALL; PUBLIC TRANSPORT NEEDS IMPROVEMENT; LOOK AT SUSTAINABLE ENERGY SOURCES	1	2	57	85
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	SCHOOLS, CAR PARKS AND DRAINAGE	2	7		
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	UTILITIES	2			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	NEED FOR NEW PRIMARY SCHOOL IN BALSALL COMMON IS OBVIOUS + ENLARGEMENT OF SECONDARY SCHOOLING	2			
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	BALSALL COMMON PRIMARY EDUCATION - TWO X TWO FORM ENTRY SCHOOLS, ONE X EAST AND ONE X WEST OF A452	2			
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	MORE SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE	2			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	A bus service which connects ALL parts of the village. Bring back the Ring and Ride or Taxibus service especially for elderly and infirm people.	2			
Balsall	Yes	Yes	Yes	Doctors	2			

Parish								
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	More varied shops	2			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	public transportation - bus in frequent and not available on Sunday.	2			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Decent public transport	2			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Local bus services need to be: - more frequent; - access to Kenilworth - Birmingham/Birmingham Airport	2			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	improved public transport	2			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	improve public transport	2			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Thought will need to be given to the expansion of medical facilities for new larger population.	2			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Schools to support population expansion; extending mains drainage and gas supply provision.	2			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Internet improvement GP access development if increase in housing and population	2			
Berkswell Parish		No	Yes	A bus service throughout the whole parish	2			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Bigger doctors. Bigger schools	2			
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	More regular bus service to include Riddings Hill The Health Centre and Station.	2			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Attracting more relevant businesses for the high street. Too many hairdressers and not enough local shops to encourage local support.	2			
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Medical care	2			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Schooling	2			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	providing direction on the balance of local shops and amenities required by the community so the village is not overrun by estate agents and hairdressers for example	2			
Not sure	Yes	Yes	Yes	Find a way to incentivise the use of public transport, rather than reliance on the car. How about something like the Traintaxi as used in the Netherlands?Especially from Eastern Green/Bannerbrook estates. Links from the other side of Tile Hill are better.	2			
Berkswell	Yes	Yes	Yes	Additional schooling will be required for new residents. A better process for allocating	2	7		

Parish				appointments at the Doctors i.e. more Doctors or longer opening hours. The car parking at Berkswell Station is a problem at the moment as parking extends well up Hall Meadow Road. Serious consideration will be needed as to how and where any new car parking is allocated, to ensure "on street" parking in future is obviated				
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Better parking. Range of shops other than estate agents.	2	7		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	The doctors practise is already overloaded. Parking is becoming a real issue	2	7		
Not sure	Yes	Yes	Yes	Car parking at Station and Balsall Common shops. Public transport facilities	2	7		
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Healthcare/Doctor surgery entirely inadequate. We moved an inefficient practice to a larger premises with better parking. We must stop pretending it's fit for purpose. I think it is rail companies who should support /drive railway station parking. I don't agree with digging up fields so only option is multi-storey! More of a problem is the parking in road opposite Doctors- often all way past Riddings Hill especially for NEC users. Double yellow lines might help especially if station parking improved. Even seen people park for a week up Riddings Hill using it as free parking for Airport! Parking in Balsall Common row of shops unsafe - should be diagonal to improve visibility. In Berkswell village I cannot understand why at peak times/school drop and pick up times there cannot be some kind of pedestrian crossing. Will it take a child being killed to change things. I see near misses every day.	2	7	3	
Not sure	No	Yes	Yes	Our understanding was that Berkswell Parish Council had made a commitment in public that all Community Infrastructure levy collected from all new properties developed within the settlement of Balsall Common would be used to fund projects within the settlement of Balsall Common. We note in the minutes of the Residents Association meeting 7 March 2017: "C Shadbolt asked where the CIL monies would be spent for developments built in each Parish, would the funds be split along the Parish boundary lines? Cllr Burrow said Berkswell Parish Council's view is that CIL monies in respect of large developments (i.e. Barretts Farm in Berkswell) should be spent for the greater benefit of Balsall Common. We agree with Cllr Burrows response in this meeting and therefore do not agree that the CIL monies should be spent on a cycle path project outside of the Balsall Common area. We are concerned of the impact of a significant number of new houses on local infrastructure of Balsall Common, and of particular concern in Berkswell Parish, is the need for increased capacity at the GP medical centre. Parking at the station should be improved at the station through allocating land for parking.	2	7	5	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	PUBLIC TRANSPORT COMMUNITY FACILITIES	2	52		
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	SECOND PRIMARY SCHOOL; INDOOR SPORT FACILITIES	2	52		
Balsall	Yes	Yes	Yes	Public transport links - more frequent trains and buses; Leisure facilities (Gym, swimming pool,	2	52		

Parish				sports - indoor and outdoor), youth club type activities				
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Schools for local kids (reduce "school miles"). Sufficient sports & leisure facilities to reflect needs/interests of local population.	2	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Schools for a growing population. Health facilities for a large population. Recreation facilities to expand with gym facilities & possibly swimming pool.	2	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Schools, trains, bus services, shops, leisure facilities, local health hub offering enhanced services especially for the elderly	2	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	A need to distinguish BC to Station/Station to Berkswell Village, yes to former, no to the latter. We need an integrated strategy across both parishes for sport and recreation, also in conjunction with schools.	2	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Sports facilities Variety of shops	2	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	more regular train service, gym facilities,	2	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Improved pavements and footpaths/cycle routes e.g. Truggist Hill Lane Ensure appropriate broadband speed in Berkswell and environs	2	57		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	More investment for secondary schools. Better parking. Cycle links to Berkswell/Balsall & Greenway	2	7	57	
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Buses and taxi bus service. Link Berkswell to Coventry and Meriden. Protect our footpaths and rights of way. We need swimming facilities, all weather sports pitches e.g. hockey	2	52	57	
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Buses and taxi bus services. Better links to Meriden, Coventry and Kenilworth. Protect footpaths and rights of way. Provide swimming pool, all weather sports e.g. hockey	2	52	57	
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Another primary school and a bypass.	2	3		
Balsall Parish	No	No	Yes	Traffic management	3			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Diverting Kenilworth Rd traffic away from centre of village	3			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	A new Bypass to divert through traffic	3			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Traffic management on roads i.e to slow / deter the creation of rat runs	3			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Traffic calming	3			
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	parking outside village schools is becoming a nightmare for other motorists to continue on their journeys	3	7		
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking for Balsall Common shopping area. By-pass to relieve traffic on the A452 through Balsall Common	3	7		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Better traffic management including the extension of Hall Meadow Road to form a bypass.	3	7		

Parish				Parking facilities for shops and businesses.				
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	The Parish Council should not pay to extend the Station car park. London Midland should do that or their successors. Is the Berkswell traffic plan going to be included in the NDP if not it should be.	3	7		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Play space,dog walking space, traffic calming on Station Road	3	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	1) Cycle paths to really connect the parish and separate them from the roads e.g. separate cyclepath/footpath from Berkswell Village to Balsall Common separate from Lavender Hall Lane etc. 2) Traffic calming on Station Road up to BC village centre	3	57		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Improved traffic calming on Meeting House Lane (plus pavement). Fix the cycle "Greenway" access issue to encourage bike use to Kenilworth, Warwick Uni, Coventry etc	3	57		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Improve links between Meriden and Berkswell as Berkswell Road is dangerous for cyclists & pedestrians (park of Berkswell Road is in the Berkswell PC boundary). Existing footpath between Four Oaks and Berkswell is not suitable or safe enough with dangerous road crossings required. Safe foot and cycle links between Berkswell and LHPark. Improvement to Four Oaks cross roads, to include traffic calming measures. Restrictions on HGV use of local roads. Playground facilities in Berkswell Village would be ideal!	3	52	57	
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	MAJOR SERVICES, TRANSPORT	5			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	THIS IS MORE IMPORTANT WITH THE DEVLOPEMENT WITH HS2 WHICH WILL BE A SIGNIFICANT BARRIER TO NON MOTORISED MOVEMENT	5			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Nothing written	5			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	All common village centre needs to take account of the increased. housing but should retain village identity. Concern is it could become a town.	5			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Stop building houses	5			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Work with Balsall parish to create a common schedule	5			
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Stop HS2. Don't build huge numbers of houses. Balsall and Berkswell need to stay as villages	5			
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Balsall Common Village Hall	5			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Back of pub	5			
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	A large shopping area built on the land where the mine was going to go.	5			
Berkswell	Yes	Yes	Yes	I couldn't read the writing. Sue	5			

Parish								
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Will rail traffic increase? possibly in future people will use computers etc to work from home.	5			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	By going for the CIL the NDP will tacitly agree to mass housing. Don't do it!!	5			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Review of all infrastructure and contributions by developers	5			
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	The population is aging we need to plan for that	5			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	sports facilities [shared with schools and others?], any walkways/cycleways that would carry many users consider some protection from weather to encourage e use, ensure new walkways are direct to local facilities not round the houses, make parking easy to avoid grief, CCTV if needed and not provided by others, perhaps access to any space[s] alongside HS2 for running, walking, cycling etc	5	57	52	
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	VILLAGE CENTRE NEEDS MUCH HOLISTIC THOUGHT IN VIEW OF LOUSY PARKING AND PROJECTED GROWTH	6			
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	EXPAND THE VILLAGE SHOPPING CENTRE AND IMPROVE CAR PARK	6			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Local Shopping Area	6			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Better retail and parking	6			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Bus services , pedestrian crossing in Balsall common village centre .	6			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Balsall Common central shopping area needs a complete rethink and layout	6			
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Shop parking	6			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Need to make Balsall Common shopping area safer for pedestrians and motorists.	6			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Car Parking in centre	6			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Long term plan to create a village centre with local shops & public venues as a better meeting / shopping area	6			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Shopping centre need review - apost office , a single bank,a supermarket, a DIY/hardware store a pharmacy, a butcher, fish & chips and one other take away - all with improved pedestrian access and better parking. Footpath should not flood. Opening hours for licenced premises need to be agreed.	6			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Sorting out Balsall Common centre. The public area. Make it attractive too encourage betters	6			

Parish				shops and restaurants. Get parish Councils to take over litter picking				
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	The village centre.	6			
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Station parking. Sort out shopping centre. There is enough parking but it is difficult to reverse back into the road when you leave because people drive so fast and vans or 4x4s block your view. Its also not pretty like Knowle. The flower tubs are good but not enough. It need modernisation	6	7		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Better, safer parking in Balsall Common for shopping. More sports facilities. Enhancement of shopping areas.	6	52		
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Sort out central Balsall Common. Play aeas for children. Do we need a new hall that can double for sports use. Dog walking areas	6	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Cycle paths and sort out Balsall Common shopping area to make it attractive	6	57		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Shops, Restaurants, Banks,Cyclepaths	6	57		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Any facilities for children in parks. Improved parking & facilities around the shops. Improvements to the look of Balsall Common village centre.	6	7	52	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Station parking. Improved centre in Balsall Common. Play areas for children. Dog walking areas	6	7	52	
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking in Balsall by the shops needs improving so that you can drive down Station Road by the shops without risk of a car backing out into you. A wider range of affordable houses being built. We are a village but we have to progress with the times and not think that nothing needs changing.	6	80		
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	improved parking around shopping areas	7			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	PARKING AT BERKSWELL STATION AND SHOPS	7			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	AS LONG AS PARKING REMAINS FREE	7			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking in centre	7			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Double current parking at station to eliminate parking in Hall Meadow Road, and additional parking for future residents. More car parking needed in centre of Balsall Common	7			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	better retail parking on station road	7			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	parking near shops, local medical facilities	7			
Balsall	Yes	Yes	Yes	Better parking facilities for residents in shpping area of village away from homes	7			

Parish								
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	improved parking in Balsall Common.	7			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking in Balsall Common for shoppers.	7			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking for cars near the shops.	7			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking needs to improve particularly in Balsall Common Village & Berkswell Station	7			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Extra parking is vital for shopping.	7			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Consider simple multi-storey car park on existing station car park. This solution doubles capacity. Doesn't need more land and has worked well elsewhere.	7			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Net Work Rail land at rear of Railway Pub should be used. Capture land at bottom end of Lavender Hall larks near bridge entrance of Trugist lane for additional parking	7			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking restrictions. There is increasing parking between Meeting House Lane & Dockers Close. This is frequently people parked all day (? working in BC centre) and invariably partly on the pavement which is an obstruction to pedestrians, especially users in wheelchairs, mobility scooters, and parents with prams and buggies.	7			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	My concern about allocating land for parking at the station is that most of the station parking is used by people coming from outside the local village (as it is free) - so an increase in parking will just pull in more commuting parkers for the station, and if parking with charges are implemented then users will just park on the roads surrounding the station (look at Warwick Parkway where this is now a major issue)	7			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Provide in line parking front of shops with 15 minutes waiting time. Convert lavender Hall park behind Green lane into car park with access from Green lane.	7			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Double stack parking at station as happens elsewhere. Do not use more land, the green belt is precious.	7			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Extra parking needed in Balsall Village.	7			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking at the station is key to any future development, and needs to be provided ASAP. This cannot wait for other decisions by SMBC.	7			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking by shops	7			
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Parking at local shops is needed.	7			
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Parking in the Balsall village centre	7			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking to access local shops.	7			

Parish								
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	More parking for rail users would make it unnecessary to park on local highways causing obstructions to other road users	7			
Berkswell Parish	Yes		Yes	Parks - Lavendar Hall facilities not very good in the play area. Cycle paths. Leisure facility - Virgin Active (Swimming pool & Gym). Supermarket. More parking. Gym in Park.	7	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking along Hall Meadow Road needs addressing, also parking at Doctors Surgery. A community centre to provide another place for meeting/gatherings/etc.	7	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Rather than allocating more land for parking I think a multi storey car park should be constructed on the current car park behind the car dealership affecting nobody's view and preserving land for parks & recreation.	7	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	More parking for the station. Hallmeadow Road is full of cars mod week. They are parking on Station Road by the Brickmakers now. Green space, parks, play equipment and things for teenagers to do	7	52		
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Multi story parking at the station paid for by Solihull Council. They want more houses here or paid for by the new Mayor. Large parks and wildlife areas. Ponds. A children's play area in the south of Balsall Common. I have to drive to Lavender Hall Park. Barmy.	7	52		
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Multi story parking at station paid for by railway. Good multi purpose community centre. Large new parks with sports grounds	7	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Multi story parking at station. Play areas. Wildlife sites	7	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Places for children to play both formal and wild areas for camps etc. Multi story station parking	7	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	The Parish should not have to pay and provide land for parking at Berkswell Station. The rail companies should do that. With lots of new houses there will need to be things for children to do. The Berkswell Scouts is full and I think the Balsall Common ones are as well. There is not guide group, no youth club.	7	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	The railway should pay to extend the station car park not the Parish Council/residents. Lots of the parking is by people from outside Balsall Common. Maybe make it multi story. We need new parks and recreation grounds if we are to have more houses.	7	52		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Multi story car parking at the station. All weather sports field. Please no theatre, it will loose money for ever! An all weather dog walking route where dogs can be off lead to replace the paths we will loose on the land behind Meeting House Lane.	7	52		
Balsall Parish	No	No	Yes	Parking, still need fields for dog walking and rural feel	7	56		
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	PROPER CYCLEWAYS TO CUT DOWN ON CAR USE 1) WITHIN THE AREA OF BALSALL COMMON + 2) CONNECTING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK. CONSTRUCTION OF MULTISTOREY CARPARK FOR BERKSWELL STATION	7	57		

Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking at station - now cars parked everywhere along/near Doctor's Surgery Access for cycles to Greenway near Berkswell Station	7	57		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking, (can't read) greenway cycle routes	7	57		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Would not support extension of parking by multi story option. Pavements to allow residents to walk safely from Berkswell Station to Carol Green, and/or cycle routes/off road footpaths would be a real asset.	7	57		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Access to the Kenilworth Greenway (currently the access to this cycle route is over stiles). More footpaths/walkways. Sufficient parking at new retail developments.	7	57		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Creation of more parking facilities in the village itself. Address the safety of Meeting House Lane and consider the option of blocking the road off at the pinch points to prevent it being used as a thoroughfare for cars and joyriders who often speed late at night through this road. More police presence in the village. Develop the second stage of the by pass near Berkswell Station.	7	84		
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Possibly pedestrian link Balsall Common to Berkswell village. It should be safe for walkers/cyclists to get between the two but this may be more around removing blind spots/narrow sections of road.. A community of this size needs a modern, suitably equipped community centre with a variety of rooms available for different uses and adequate parking. The Jubilee Centre and village hall etc are (in my view) no longer sufficient nor attractive.	7	52	57	
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Currently the area is quite elite, it needs to be able to provide a safe environment for the children that attend Berkswell school. The roads are too fast and used as cut through from the A45, M42. The pavements are unsafe for pushchairs, wheelchairs anyone with mobility problems. Parking is a huge problem and unsafe. To preserve the authenticity of the area it would make more sense to keep parking accessible to all and encourage people to travel by foot around the village areas	7	56	57	
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	better quality units needed in Bradnocks Marsh which is deteriorating badly.	8			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	More opportunity for local small business enterprise. Office/workshops	8			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Play areas for children. Their are none on the new estates on Kenilworth Road. A play area for newts but not humans, what kind of planning is that?	52			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Affordable sports facilities	52			
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	MORE SPORTS FACILITIES EG TRIM TRACK, PETANQUE	52			
Balsall Parish	No	No	Yes	AS EVER - FACILITIES FOR OLDER CHILDREN AND TEENAGERS TO MEET, PLAY ETC	52			
Balsall Parish		Yes	Yes	FACILITIES FOR YOUTH	52			
Balsall Parish	No		Yes	SCHOOLS SPORTS FACILITIES EG SWIMMING POOL	52			

Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Leisure centre/gymnasium/swimming, wine bar	52			
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	A Leisure Centre to include a gym and swimming pool. Soft play.	52			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	a leisure centre with facilities for swimming	52			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Local park and natural green and ecological infrastructure; more woodland	52			
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	community facilities for the arts	52			
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	A centre for the arts	52			
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Provision of community hall/halls.	52			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking, Meeting places- good sized multi purpose village hall	52			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Another medical facility	52			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Affordable community facilities for sport and leisure.	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Sports and social centre	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	All weather sports field. Large parks. Wildlife areas. Long dog-walking routes (2-4 miles).	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Leisure facilities	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Sports & Park facilities	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	HoE School needs to become a hub for the village(s). Better facilities (Sports & Community) would achieve this. New build.	52			
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Balsall Common Village Hall needs a lot of work/improvements. Also additional schools.	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Off lead dog walking areas to replace the footpaths lost on Barretts Lane Farm. Adult gym equipment in play areas. They have this elsewhere why not on Balsall Common	52			
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Supporting local retail & community ventures to ensure these are sustainable for future residents	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Larger play area & more equipment to play on for ages 5 +	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Improve park facilities in Lavender Hall Park	52			

Parish								
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	A multi use centre providing a hall, meeting rooms, stage for theatre, changing rooms and sports field	52			
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Large parks. Good dog walking on a long circular route. Wildlife areas where children can fish and build camps	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	General community facilities required	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Leisure facilities. Better transport (public)	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Wildlife park with dog walking area. Off lead like it is where they plan to build	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Hall with gym, theatre, rooms for business use, sports hall	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Sports facilities	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Sports facilities	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Sports facilities	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Public access, sports facilities that are not exclusive to a club: eg tennis courts, all-weather football/hockey pitches.	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Leisure facilities	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Sports and social - meeting and theater.	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Modernise or improve Balsall Village hall with adequate off road parking.	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Facilities for young people such as all weather sports grounds, play areas etc	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Sporting facilities i.e. pool & gym	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	A playground for children A green area for recreation & sports purposes	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Play grounds, sports facilities/grounds. Dog walking areas	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Things for children and old people. Sports facilities	52			
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Play grounds, sports ground extension for the cricket club	52			

Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	A good sports hall perhaps that can be used as a theatre	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	A new village hall with better meeting rooms, sports hall, theatre space etc	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Things for the new families. Play grounds etc but also wild areas where children can have adventures, build dens and not simply play on computers	52			
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Parks and wildlife areas for the new estates just like Riddings Hill. It was well done there	52			
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	A park between existing and new housing as in Riddings Hill area	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Facilities for young people	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Things for children, particularly teenagers	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Sports hall	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Sports facilities	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	The new estates should be built like ours with lots of green space.	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes		Yes	Wildlife areas. Play space for adults as well as children. A picnic area in the wild space	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Village centre. Maintain and improve lavender hall park. Youth clubs for teens	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Green areas for wildlife, dog walking, young people having adventures which is what I did when I was young. Too long ago but a good way to grow up	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Sporting and leisure sites could be considered. A communal site used for village events, exhibitions and other gatherings could also be considered. Whilst ambitious, a purpose built site with supporting amenities could also provide a further source of income and done so efficiently.	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	I do not live in Balsall Common but if they are going to get lots more houses then they will need more parks, green space, halls, bus services. All kinds of things	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Parks & leisure facilities	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Sports Facilities	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Sports facilities	52			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Leisure facilities including a swimming pool and theatre with good acoustic; also longer opening hours at the library.	52			

			Yes	<p>Dear Berkswell Parish Council</p> <p>I am responding on behalf of the Berkswell & Balsall Common Sports & Community Association (BBCSCA) which provides sporting, recreational and community facilities at the Lant Centre and Grounds. The grounds span the parishes of Berkswell and Balsall Common, with the cricket field in Balsall Parish and the tennis courts and pavilion in Berkswell Parish.</p> <p>In the light of current plans for significant development, we are seeking to encourage Solihull MBC and the two Parish Councils to take a strategic approach to the provision of sporting and recreational facilities in the whole community of Balsall Common. We believe that this will result in better facilities and greater value-for-money for the local community than if developments in the two Parishes and by individual developers are carried out piecemeal. To this end, we have had discussions with Heart of England School and Balsall Common Primary School with a view to future sporting and recreational facilities being planned from the outset for school use during weekdays, and community/club use during evenings and weekends. The BBCSCA is willing to offer its changing and social facilities as part of this vision. If such a strategy is adopted, this will have implications for the zoning of land use in the new development area so that, for example, existing changing facilities can serve new playing areas.</p> <p>We realise that the two local Parish Councils do not have the full powers to make such decisions, but we believe that they can have an influence on those that do. It would also be helpful if those aspects that Berkswell Parish Council can decide upon are compatible with the vision set out above. I would be happy to contribute to a discussion on recreational aspects of the Berkswell NDP when you have received and analysed the consultation responses.</p> <p>Best regards</p> <p>Bob Harris Director, BCSCA</p>	52			
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Stop dense infill of houses /gardens. Evening / weekend entertainment particularly for youngsters.	52	55		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Lots of green space. A fishing lake for children. Keep all the mature trees and build the houses and parks by integrating them	52	56		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Recreation fields, wild life areas. Perhaps a new hall although the Jubilee is taking off. How are older people going to get to the centre in the expanded Balsall Common	52	56		
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Better access to the Green Way for cycling. Cycle paths throughout the parish and joining up with Coventry, Knowle, Kenilworth. A community swimming pool and free tennis, basketball, bmx tracks.	52	57		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	More improved footpaths on Tanners Lane and Truggist Lane. Improved bus services serving Tanners Lane and Truggist Lane. Ensuring maintenance of parks and equipment	52	57		

Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	roads maintenance, cycle and walking paths, drainage and other utilities, leisure areas e.g. play grounds	52	57		
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Wildlife areas, children's play areas, cycle routes,	52	57		
Not sure	Yes	No	Yes	Better out door play area for children, the play area in the park in the village should be improved to attract more villagers to use it. An opportunity for children to learn more about the village and surrounding area by introducing an indoor learning facilities either at the park or the library. Nature trails and walks could be facilities as well as bike rides/ cycling lessons and learning to ride your bike on the road for school children. Better bike routes and pavement to run on. No more estate agents and hairdressers but a bigger and better supermarket instead of lots of small ones. More amenities for children of all ages.	52	57		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	New hall. Good cycle paths to link up the isolated bits we have. A proper network in Balsall Common and perhaps out to Berkswell village.	52	57		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	I don't know really. Cycle ways, sports ground and recreation places ith pick nick areas. How about a good lake to replace ll the ponds we will be loosing	52	57		
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	extend Drs surgery - longer opening hours etc - more people will require more service. leisure centre of some sort. shops elsewhere so everyone does not converge on the village centre	52	83		
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Social and recreational spaces for children and young adults to deter anti social behaviour. CCTV surveillance on the A452 and other link roads to deter the recent spate of Car thefts.	52	84		
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	If they must build on Barretts Farm then create a wildlife park using the stream, flood plain etc.	56			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	lots of greenspace	56			
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	CYCLE WAYS/FOOTPATHS OUT OF VILLAGE TOWARD COVENTRY OR SOLIHULL EG AT PRESENT IT IS REALLY DIFFICULT TO WALK THE SECTION BEYOND WASTE LANE PASSED NAILCOTE HALL TOWARDS COVENTRY WITHOUT STEPPING ON/OFF BUSY ROAD AND I WOULD NOT EVEN ATTEMPT OTHER ROAD OUT UNDER RAILWAY BRIDGE	57			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Improvements to footpaths access	57			
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Cycle routes to Solihull could be significantly improved. I'm not sure a link between Berkswell and Balsall Common adds much and will result in improved accessibility	57			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Footpath and bus route Truggist Lane and Tanners Lane	57			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	A connecting hard surface (tarmac) from Meriden to Four Oaks	57			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Pedestrian and cycle route between Berkswell and Balsall common	57			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Path between Berkswell and Balsall Common	57			

Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Pavement on Meeting House Lane (where pavement isn't already in place)	57			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	improved cycle and foot ways	57			
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Prioritise facilities for pedestrians and cyclists. Footpaths need to be maintained much better (weeds/nettles were overgrowing into many local footpaths this year (2017), making many impassable).	57			
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Footpaths. Many roads are dangerous for pedestrians.	57			
Not sure	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fibre and electrical for car charging	60			
Balsall Parish	No	No	Yes	Parking in Balsall Common centre.	66			

Question 9 – Supporting investment in local businesses

Are you a resident of Berkswell Parish (see map above)	Should the NDP include a policy supporting appropriate investment in local economic development?	Do you work from home?	Should the NDP include policies to encourage the inclusion of combined live/work units within new development?	Do you have any concerns about local business growth that you would like the NDP to consider?	What are your concerns about local business growth that you would like the NDP to consider?	Affinity classification A	Affinity classification B
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	TOO MANY SHOPS THAT ARE SELLING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES	1	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	LATE NIGHT ALCOHOL LICENSES	1	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	No additional "chain" fast food/coffee outlets. Independent provider of food/coffee outlets. No additional estate agencies	1	
Balsall Parish				Yes	Too many take away outlets and estate agents	1	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	The further business growth meets the need of the village. For example we have numerous takeaways; hairdressers and supermarkets but no general hardware store.	1	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	We are in danger of replicating many high streets, independent businesses needed.	1	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Businesses obtaining planning for a specific criteria and then taking liberties and going beyond the original spec.	1	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Too many fast food outlets. Too many supermarkets.	1	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	No more take-away food outlets	1	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Land off Spencers Lane, opposite Truggist, being used for business purposes.	1	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Use of pasture land for running business (building, storage i.e. large diggers & dumper trucks dumping waste on land!)	1	

					Water tank Dog training business		
Berkswell Parish	No	No		Yes	Too many businesses on local agricultural farms being developed i.e. Hodgetts Lane, Truggist Lane & many other areas	1	
Berkswell Parish		No	Yes	Yes	Hidden expansion via planning rules, ie. approval for one idea and developing another.	1	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	One of our local farms has recently started/expanded a drainage business which results in large lorries on small rural roads with blind bends. Wouldn't want to hamper business but road safety/large vehicles on our roads is an issue.	1	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	No more fast food needed	1	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No more indian restaurants, no more supermarkets, limited commerce	1	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Who approved that mess behind Lavender Hall Farm. That is a grade 1 listed building and there is a shanty town of business development behind it in the greenbelt. Disgraceful	1	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	to consider young people within agriculture The loss of tenancy of village farm is a blow for young people starting out on the farming ladder. finding a tenancy is nigh on impossible	2	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Broadband provision is extremely poor. Faster connectivity could have a major impact on business access and productivity	2	
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	No	Yes	Need usable Broadband. Bus route in Berkswell.	2	
Balsall Parish	No	No	No	Yes	INCREASED TRAFFIC POTENTIAL NOISE ISSUES FOR NEIGHBOURS	3	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	LANDROVER JAGUAR HAVE CAUSED A HUGE AMOUNT OF EXTRA TRAFFIC - USING TINY LANES SUCH AS LONGBROOK, MAGPIE, FROG AS RAT RUNS THUS HEAVY TRAFFIC IN BALSALL COMMON	3	
Balsall	Yes	No	No	Yes	PROMOTE EMPLOYMENT/COMMERCIAL USES ON	3	

Parish					PERIPHERY		
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	The main concern is that the more local employment opportunities there are locally the greater the demand for housing that goes with that. Do we want to be a small town or a predominately residential areas with good public transport. The issue with home/work units is around traffic/parking and it depends on the nature of the business. If people are to run businesses from home, this must not negatively impact on local residents With conversion of agricultural buildings for business users does there needs to be some control over the potential increase in traffic volumes and impact on local residents? Particularly if the business works unsocial hours.	3	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Home businesses should not impact on local residents	3	
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Getting the appropriate business whilst not impacting too much on traffic.	3	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Increase in vehicle access to local businesses will stretch the current road infrastructure; parking in the village is inadequate, public transport is too sporadic.	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Yes	It should be suited to our community. Not involving HGV traffic	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Destruction of greenbelt. Heavy traffic generation caused by distribution businesses.	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	JLR expansion, additional stretch on resources and road network. Possible cycle routes to site from Balsall Common	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Transport to and from these sites and disruption of residential areas. Security in these areas.	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Too many businesses on local country lanes	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Home Farm site - while necessary for small businesses should have restrictions against huge lorries/pantechicons using the site and/or access roads. Any future development must not allow this	3	

					form of transport.		
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Yes	Much of the business creates lorry traffic on rural roads. That type of economic development should take place in Blythe Valley or the airport near the main road links	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Yes	There is too much distribution business locally causing HGVs on narrow roads. That particularly applies to the business park in Berkswell village. Self employed businesses maybe small workshops but no more distribution.	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No more storage/waste processing/building yards/distribution/HGV parking activities	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Too many lorries on small lanes	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No		Yes	Traffic	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Traffic. White vans and HGVs. Too many	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Traffic	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes		Yes	Effects on traffic, need provision.	3	
Berkswell Parish		No	No	Yes	Noise. Location of noisy business units.	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Yes	Working from home causes traffic such as delivery drivers and visitors. The design of any home work units must take this into account	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No		Yes	I have concerns about traffic flow& volume around the area & and would want the NDP to consider this.	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Within the parish are a number of farms (~4) that have developed - often without planning approval - into full blown or semi-commercial none agricultural businesses. Those attract very large commercial vehicles that are totally inappropriate to the area and road/lanes.	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No		Yes	The amount of heavy traffic - very large HGVs - which are using the narrow lanes in the village (Truggist Lane for example). These lorries are exiting local businesses	3	

					and are proving hazardous to other road users.		
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Too many lorries caused by local business. Vans and cars turning up at places where businesses are run from home. Parking on pavement	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Traffic.	3	
Berkswell Parish		Yes	No	Yes	Too many large trucks through the villages e.g. Home Farm, Pettifors	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Traffic particularly HGVs	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Trucks on country roads	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Live work units encourage vans etc onto estates with narrow roads which then park on the pavements	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	They want us ti take loads of houses. We don't want distribution centres as well! To much traffic	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Traffic and lorries. Speeding white vans. This is a residential area. Keep it that way	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	business type as road network unsuitable for HGV traffice	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Traffic, particularly trucks on the lanes	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Yes	HGV traffic on narrow lanes	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Heavy lorries	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Pollution and traffic	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Heavy trucks down rural narrow roads including Meeting House Lane	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	HGVs on Truggist Lane	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	HGVs	3	
Berkswell	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Traffic volume and speed considerations in the village	3	

Parish					itself - too much already		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	We need control on HGVs using the Parish as a cut through	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Big trucks	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Big vehicles on small roads	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Heavy vehicles. Too many vans ignoring the rules	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Lorries on narrow roads	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Home farm is turning into a warehouse with lots of trucks. I do not mind offices or even workshops but it is the wrong place for distribution businesses.	3	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Heavy vehicles on windmill lane	3	
	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Traffic generation. Is local infrastructure adequate?	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No		Yes	HGVs. Too many. What is going on on Lavender Hall Farm. Who gave that mess planning permission. What do Solihull Council planning department actually do!	3	1
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Lorries using our narrow lanes should be banned. Sort out the mess at Lavender Hall farm. Build houses there or sort it out	3	1
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes		Yes	Management of potential increase in traffic. Encourage businesses that can offer local employment, therefore need affordable housing for low and medium wage earners. Small businesses only as the immediate area is unsuitable for larger business properties.	3	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Traffic and vans parking on pavements	3	7
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Yes	Heavy vehicles on narrow roads and vans parking overnight outside houses part on the pavement	3	7
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	THIS IS CHIEFLY A COMMUTING RESIDENTIAL AREA WHICH SHOULD BE RETAINED	4	

Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	WISH TO SUPPORT 'LOCAL' AND 'SMALL' INITIATIVES, RATHER THAN LARGE OUTLETS IE COSTA TESCO ETC TAKING INCOME FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES	4	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	I THINK BALSALL COMMON IS IN NEED OF LOCAL BUSINESS FRUIT AND VEG SHOP	4	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	MUST BE LOCAL BUSINESS. COSTA IS NOT REALLY LOCAL BUT TAX ARRANGEMENTS/SIZE OF BUSINESS MEANS THEY CAN UNDERCUT LOCAL BUSINESSES	4	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Keep it small and locally needed	4	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No		Yes	Prefer small business to retain area as residential	4	
Berkswell Parish		Yes	No	Yes	Support local business to help people moving here work locally & not have to travel out	4	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Less estate agents please. Some development that provides crafts etc. or cultural aspects would be useful.	4	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Emphasis should be on development & encouragement of small businesses.	4	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	While wanting to encourage local business & jobs if they grow they may need to expand premises so that might put pressure on the greenbelt or they will upsticks and move to cheaper locations on the edge of Coventry so premises will become vacant but other might then move in.	4	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	No more new builds for business	4	
Berkswell Parish		Yes	No	Yes	We need a good strong sustainable balance of business growth to ensure vitality of the wider local area	4	
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	No	Yes	Need to retain residential community.DO NOT Destroy area with factory developments that introduce outside traffic 7 encourage noise / pollution etc.	4	
Berkswell Parish	Yes		No	Yes	Ensuing that new businesses will be limited in growth to ensure Berkswell is not invaded by other than small businesses.	4	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Local business growth should be restricted to small business.	4	

Berkswell Parish		No		Yes	Small cottage style businesses can be supported, however, larger industrial sites are not appropriate for this area	4	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Lack of good local meeting spaces for business meetings	4	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Have to have the right mix of businesses and not just those brandishing enough money to be able to locate here	4	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Small business units are ok within reason	4	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Restrictions on any proposed solar farms.	4	
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	SUPPORTING LOCAL BUSINESS ENSURING THERE IS MIXED USE TO COMMERCIAL BUILDING ENCOURAGE LOCAL AMENITIES TO SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY	4	5
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	I AM UNCERTAIN ABOUT THIS ISSUE; CERTAINLY WE NEED MORE BUSINESS ACTIVITY WITHIN THE VILLAGE AS THE VILLAGE OF BALSALL COMMON IS NO LONGER A COMMUTER DORMITORY SUBURB; IT IS TOO BIG BUT IT MAY WELL END UP AS A DORMITORY FOR LONDON WITH THE ADVENT OF HS2	5	
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes		Yes	THE 'SETTLEMENT' MUST GROW IN OTHER WAYS OTHER THAN JUST HOUSING	5	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	NO NEED FOR MORE DEVELOPMENT	5	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No		Yes	WOULD THERE BE ENOUGH INFRASTRUCTURE TO COPE WITH THE NEW BUSINESSES	5	
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	MORE GROWTH FOR LOCAL EMPLOYMENT	5	
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	WORKING/LIVING IN CLOSE PROXIMITY REDUCES DEMANDS ON INFRASTRUCTURE AND HELPS BUILD A LOCAL COMMUNITY/SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY THAT IS LACKING IN THE WAY DEVELOPMENTS HAVE BEEN DESIGNED OVER RECENT DECADES	5	

Balsall Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Limitation on same type of businesses. Growth needs diversity	5	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	More jobs,so a better life balance can be achieved	5	
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	No	Yes	Retain the urban nature and restrict businesses.	5	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Understand the changing nature of work	5	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes		Yes	With the increase in population comes the need to improve local shops and leisure opportunities.	5	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	I would like to see independent / family businesses encouraged rather than multi national shops	5	
Berkswell Parish	No		No	Yes	No more business parks	5	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	The impact on existing facilities eg. where products are made / need to be sent through the post office causing people who need quick service to wait while numerous parcels etc. are paid for.	5	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No		Yes	Local business growth should be closely monitored to ensure it is legitimate and not a vehicle for future housing development under the radar, especially in farming businesses.	5	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Only one bank. Develop rare breeds e.g. cattle/sheep, poultry,. Arts and crafts (Prince Charles Scheme). Develop food products from local sources e.g. build on cheese now produced	5	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	One bank settlement. Develop rural activities e.g. rare breeds, cattle, sheep, poultry. Art & crafts. Food products a.long the line of ewes milk cheese.	5	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No		Yes	I would resist expansion of businesses into the greenbelt	5	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	We live in a village	5	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	This is a residential area we do not need business development here	5	

Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	industrialisation of former farmyards	5	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Development at Home Farm Berkswell also Recycling Plant at Corners End	5	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	This is a residential area we do not need business here. Business expansion is planned for UK central	5	
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Yes	The area of Balsall Common/Berkswell is facing major problems re schools, surgeries, parking, shopping etc. No further housing or businesses should be considered until these problems are cleared	5	
Not sure	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Limits to expansion of buildings and sprawl of any approved business development.	5	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Much-improved internet capacity and mobile-phone coverage. Incentives to encourage more working from home to: decrease traffic and lower carbon emissions, to facilitate a better work-life balance and encourage a more vibrant local business community network.	2 4	3
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	THE LACK OF PARKING IN THE VILLAGE DETERS COMPANIES FROM EXPANDING	6	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No		Yes	I think the council should try to develop a good spread of shops in Balsall Common. Too many hairdressers and Indian Restaurants. A selection of restaurants would be better but could it be achieved?	6	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Parking facilities in the village	6	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Put a cap on any more cafes/restaurants/fast food outlets in Balsall Common; encourage more variety in smaller businesses such as fruit and veg, fish, etc.	6	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Want to keep village feel, want independent businesses with community feel, don't want to attract anti social behaviour or crime	6	
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	try to keep retail business growth in the centre to help develop and sustain it, but ensure good access	6	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Increased business in Balsall centre would need to be managed carefully with regard to the parking needs.	6	

					Already it is chaotic and dangerous at times.		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	The NDP should consider ensuring the balance of shops and amenities in the village centre (Balsall Common) so the community is well served with services and not overrun with certain shops (e.g. hairdressers and estate agents for example)	6	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	I am anxious that empty buildings are filled and that appropriate retail/business opportunities are adopted. I feel that it is Important to maintain a village centre which is why I disagree with the inclusion of retail units within new housing developments	6	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	The growth of food outlets in Balsall Common centre is taking away the opportunity for other more necessary outlets to serve the community.	6	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Parking development in Balsall Common - I realise that this is not in Berkswell	6	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	I believe the combined village infrastructure (thinking of Berkswell and BC) is inherently unsupportive of attracting thriving, attractive and suitable ventures. Our village centres currently support only the rapid pass through of traffic owing to parking and road layouts. instead we should aim to slow people down and make our village centres a destination and meeting place, not solely a convenience	6	9
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	We need more business full-stop. No more takeaways, charity shops, estate agents or hairdressers. Parking is KEY, without it, it's useless and creates more problems and ill-will.	7	
Berkswell Parish	Yes		No	Yes	Parking, Access, space	7	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	improve parking	7	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Home working encourages visitors, particularly delivery vans. Space for them to park is important otherwise they park on pavements.	7	
Berkswell	No	No	No	Yes	Parking of work vans on our estate. They park on the	7	

Parish					pavement and on bends.		
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Parking	7	
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Yes	Parking on pavements by delivery vans and large trucks on country lanes	7	3
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Yes	Traffic and vans parking on pavements. All over the place	7	3
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	OVER INTENSIFICATION OF DEVELOPMENT AT ANY ONE SITE; BUILDING DEVELOPMENT SHOULD NOT DETRACT FROM THE RURAL CHARACTER OF THE AREA; BUILDING DESIGN TO MEET HIGH 'GREEN' CREDENTIALS	8	

Question 10 - Supporting investment in Balsall Common shopping centre

Parish	Should the Berkswell Parish NDP have policies to focus retail development on the current Balsall Common centre?	Should the Berkswell Parish NDP have policies to encourage retail development within the new housing developments?	The part of the Balsall Common shopping centre that falls within Berkswell Parish currently represents 6 of the 32 units. Do you agree that Balsall PC should lead on the policies to support the Balsall Common centre?	What are the issues, if any, that you see as barriers to the on-going success of the Balsall Common shopping centre?
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Anti social behaviour from non area residents.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Access/egress for delivery vehicles
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Drive in & drive out capability
Not sure	Yes		Yes	Road layout

Not sure	Yes	Yes	Yes	Traffic levels and congestion preventing footfall
	No	Yes		To some extent congestion
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	BALSALL COMMON IS NO LONGER A 'VILLAGE' AND IF MORE SHOPS/FACILITIES ARE DEMANDED A SPECIFIC AREA ON THE EDGE OF TOWN SHOULD BE DEVELOPED TO ALLOW FOR GOOD PARKING THUS ALLOWING THE CURRENT CENTRE TO BE DEVELOPED FOR SOCIAL/LIGHT SHOPPING (LIBRARY/COMMUNITY CENTRE BARBERS ETC)
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Item B Support & help existing shops in centre rather than compete with new
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Internet shopping has changed nature of shopping that people want access to
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	the co-op
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Lack of diversity.
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	It's too small most provisions not required Tescos irrelevant! does not meet
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Lack of a variety of retail businesses
Berkswell Parish	No		Yes	Not enough appropriate management of the type of business through planning policy of too many Sainsbury, Tesco, Premier/Co - Op of customer choice & business competitiveness
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	By introducing business such as TESCO is destroying the Village Life. Keep the village for local use.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	No quality shops because there is no space available
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Small scale local retail in Berkswell
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	I am anxious that appropriate retail developments are established in the village centre. I feel that there are too many late opening shops which encourage anti-social behaviour. I would not like to see further development of this kind.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Requires more betting shops. indian restuarants, chip shops and takeaways so that any vestige of Englishness is completely destroyed
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Less estate agents, more shops/cafes/bars that attract young families
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Not having the right mix of businesses and therefore forcing residents to shop out of town

Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Chain stores
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	A lack of fresh food, particularly fruit and vegetables. A community/fairtrade café would also be useful and could help to alleviate older people's loneliness.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Not a good balance of shops and amenities
Not sure	Yes	No	No	The village shops do not provide all services required by a growing community. There is not a balance of type of restaurants. 3 Indian restaurants and 3 take aways is not great. We need to encourage eating locally sourced food. I feel their needs to be a better variety of restaurants. I feel that due to a lack of competition the independent shops don't try hard enough. The prices they charge are not in proportion to the service they offer. The provision of service from the dry cleaner, bakery/deli, butchers and florist is mediocre at best. They need to improve their service to keep residents from travelling further afield.
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	No	berkswell still needs a shop and its pub but the main shopping area should remain where it is in Balsall although Berkswell needs to have more of a say in this. it would be unfair for Balsall to have the lead to the detriment of Berkswell parishioners
Balsall Parish	No	No	Yes	TOO MANY DUPLICATE BUSINESSES - INDIAN RESTAURANTS, ESTATE AGENTS, HAIRDRESSERS
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	BOUNDARY LINE IS NOT SENSIBLE. BALSALL COMMON HAS GROWN FAR MORE THAN BERKSWELL AND THIS NEEDS TO BE INCORPORATED
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	RE C, IDEALLY BALSALL SHOULD LEAD BUT IF THEY DO NOT????
Balsall Parish	No		Yes	WHAT IS MEANT BY RETAIL DEVELOPEMT? IF LOCAL ARTISAN BUSINESSES, YES IF FRANCHISES - NO.
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	No	HAVE ALL THE SHOPS NEEDED
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Over population
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	It's not a shopping centre it's a village centre. We don't need anymore shops.
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Lack of development sites
Berkswell Parish			Yes	Its situation does not allow for much development as it occupies just two sides of Station Road. A larger shopping centre would not be sustainable as at present, and with more housing there is not not a larger enough population to support a larger development
Berkswell	Yes	Yes	No	Retail developments within new housing development not be at the cost of the village centre

Parish				
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	The lack of a cohesive NDP between Berkswell & Balsall. Balsall should be doing this with Berkswell.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Balsall Common PC need to liase more with Berkswell PC who are doing a wonderful job. Well done
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No		The 2 parish councils should work together
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Inability of the two parish councils to agree a development agenda and progress an integrated approach to village retail development. Disbursement of retail facilities into new housing developments risks the creation of a series of sub-scale businesses which may ultimately fail due to lack of demand. Far better to concentrate plans and create a vibrant retail centre for the village.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	I think there should be a joint discussion & finance to design, develop BC retail centre by both Berkswell and Balsall. New development should provide retail developments that are appropriate & in keeping with current area.
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Local shops are superb within Balsall Common & Berkswell. These should be supported. Greater infrastructure for rail/bus network needs to be put in place to ensure Kenilworth, Warwick University & Resorts World are more accessible rather than developing retail facilities within the Parish.
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Scale! We are sub-optimal as an economic entity. Housing development would address this.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	It would be good if BC & Berkswell could work together to deal with policies for the shopping centre. Not enough regular shops to encourage locals to use it as a shopping centre - greengrocer/hardware/nice deli/etc. Not another curryhouse!!!
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	No	I think it beneficial if there was a JOINT Berkswell & Balsall Common Parish Council
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	The two Parish Councils must work together on the centre. We all use it.
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	No	In respect of "should the BPCNDP have policies to encourage..." this needs to be considered to improve local residents convenience and reduce frequent journeys to Balsall Common for shopping etc. Mainly, there is a lack of cooperation with Balsall Common NDP. This is too important for local personalities to be allowed to dictate how this should proceed.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Balsall PC!
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	If a new centre is created on Barretts farm it will draw custom away fro existing centre
Berkswell	Yes	Yes	No	A lack of will to fully co-operate and see the shopping centre as a key facility for all the village.

Parish				
Berkswell Parish	No		No	Not sure about B - corner shop facilities if small are acceptable, however, fear it could be open to abuse. For instance, sale of alcohol can quickly cause anti social behaviour.
Berkswell Parish			Yes	The land adjacent to the HS2 line may be suitable for shopping rather than housing.
Berkswell Parish	Yes		Yes	Barriers are lack of space to improve the centre, but if new housing developments include retail units it may be that other people in the village go to them which will increase pressure on the roads for access - the same would apply to any large scale community development which may be warmly greeted by people not living adjacent to the development.
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Each PC should encourage Councillors who can decide future needs and policies and demonstrate their competence to do so.
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Rely on the PCs to encourage Councillors who have the competencies and interests to decide our future needs and policies
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	The two parish councils should work together on the centre. Don't leave it to Balsall Parish. They do not represent me.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	currently the facilities seem adequate
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	I do not understand the above question. We use the shops don't we get a say?
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	The majority of people with families shop on line or in supermarkets for every day items. Solihull Birmingham Coventry facilitate large stores.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Lack of interest from builders who see only profit in building houses.
Not sure	Yes	No	No	The stop=it=any=price attitude of those determined to prevent the accommodation development needed to accommodate our young people
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Getting a good mix of retail and food outlets
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Space for shops and parking
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	It looks old and dirty
Balsall Parish	No	No	Yes	The appearance of the area needs improving
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Very poor design of public space from a visual point of view. Lack of space for local market.

Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Very poor public space. Its needs more green, statues, fountains, pavement cafes and a place for a street market. It must become a go to place for fun not just emergency purchases. Its needs a policy to get modern non chain restaurants/wine bars
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Its a mess. Too much litter. When block paving is put in people dig it up and leave a mess. The Council do nothing. A new approach is needed. Nice planters on the central roundabout. Who put them there.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Its not pretty. Better public space required. Better maintenance and will someone pick up the litter
Berkswell Parish	Yes		No	Poor maintenance, scruffy. No where to sit and just watch the world go by.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Its old fashioned. Dorrige is better
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	It is old fashioned and does not encourage people to linger. Needs better public space, chairs, statues, trees, flower beds. Make it a centre to be proud of.
Berkswell Parish	Yes		Yes	The whole centre need to be improved with a traffic free area. Demolish the existing properties in Station Road and rebuild a pedestrian area. Bring a road off Kenilworth Road near Library through to end of Green Lane. There is then a large traffic free area from the roundabout to Green lane that could be used.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Needs making pedestrian friendly
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Its old fashioned. It will not compete unless it is updated. It will go down market to charity shops
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	No	Too much through traffic. Its a mess
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Its boring
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Its old and poorly maintained. Litter
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Litter, general old fashioned public space. Need more trees, area for street market, places to sit and watch
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Litter. The public areas need improving. Get a consultant to see what can be done. Both parish Councils are awash with our money and can afford it
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Its just not attractive as a go to destination. I like going to Knowle because it feels like a village centre. Dorrige is much better now. Balsall Common looks tired and old fashioned but not in a good way.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	It is old fashioned in a bad way. Not attractive to visit
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	It needs refreshing to make it interesting to visit not just somewhere you go because you have run out of

Parish				milk
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	It needs a total revamp or it will die. It needs to attract good restaurants and cafes. More like Costa Coffee, my grandchildren love it
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	It really needs a rethink. Maybe get some consultants to look at it with a view to making it an attractive centre for our community
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	No	It's old. Knock it down and build a new one on the new estates. Let's have something good if we are getting all these houses
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	The two Parish Councils should work together. It needs a complete rethink. £2.5 million might fix it
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	It needs modernising
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Update it
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	It's not very nice. I prefer Tile Hill
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	I don't understand why Balsall Parish should dictate what happens in Balsall Common shopping centre. They have not made a good job to date. Just look at it. It is tired and old fashioned. It needs the pavements sorting out to make them attractive. I don't go there often. Why would I?
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Modernise it. Better restaurants
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Spruce it up
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Update it
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	It all needs flattening with complete redevelopment to make it fit for purpose for the next several decades
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Balsall and Berkswell Councils not working together. What happened to the joint plan. I hear that Balsall pulled out. Why? The centre of Balsall Common is a mess. Just look at that awful roundabout. Nice someone put some flowers on it but has hardly solved the problem. Don't get me wrong I like the flowers but it is not a great centre to the village.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Needs modernising. Litter
Not sure		Yes		Our understanding is that Berkswell Parish Council had made a commitment at the Balsall Common Residents Association meeting 7 March 2017 that all Community Infrastructure Levy collected from all new properties developed within the settlement of Balsall Common would be used to fund projects

				<p>within the settlement of Balsall Common. The village centre would be a very suitable project for some of these CIL funds.</p> <p>The development of the village centre of Balsall Common will be a significant section of the Balsall Parish NDP. Balsall Parish Council will consult widely with all residents and interested parties including Berkswell PC as part of the community involvement and engagement plan currently underway.</p> <p>Balsall Parish Council will produce policies within our NDP covering all businesses within the village centre.</p> <p>The village centre of Balsall Common does not meet the needs of the existing residents in terms of capacity and access to facilities. There is no space for expansion in the village centre to accommodate facilities for more residents from significant new development on the edge of Balsall Common. The village focus needs to extend towards the railway station and the medical centre. Berkswell PC should consider the allocation of land to facilitate this new development.</p>
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	1) lack of parking 2)no policing of youths racing bikes around existing car parks 3)i would like a unification of the shop fascias to promote a village feel. it is currently very disjointed 4) retail shops such as Spa are the most likely to be in new developments and sadly encourage a meeting place for teenagers which then becomes a litter problem
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	parking on street causing danger every day
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	parking outside the shops getting worse every day
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	lack of parking - make library car park in station road out onto kenilworth road - this will minimise risk of accidents. at present only a matter of time before a pedestrian is seriously injured. Health and Safety issue!!! - one way system makes common sense
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	No	parking; variety of offer
Balsall Parish	No	No	Yes	IF BERKSWELL IS TO DEVELOP IT WILL NEED MORE LOCAL SHOPS, POST OFFICE IN THE VILLAGE. BALSALL COMMON SHOPPING CENTRE NEEDS TO BE COMPLETELY REDEVELOPED. IT IS A MONUMENT TO THE 1930S AND PARKING IS DANGEROUS AD NOT FIT FOR PURPOSE. THIS IS BEFORE ALL THE NEW HOUSING. I NEEDS HUGE INVESTMENT
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	No	PARKING THROUGH TRAFFIC AND SPEEDING, VANDALISM
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	PARKING
Balsall Parish	No	No	Yes	PARKING
Balsall	No	No	Yes	TOO FEW PARKING SPACES

Parish				
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	No	PARKING; LACK OF A MAJOR SUPERMARKET AS AN ANCHOR TENANT
Balsall Parish	No	No	Yes	LACK OF PARKING; BETTER VARIETY OF SHOPS EG CRAFTS ETC
Balsall Parish	No		Yes	WOULD ANY RETAIL DEVELOPMENT [WITHIN THE NEW HOUSING] BE SUSTAINABLE; PARKING AND TRAFFIC FLOW
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	CONGESTION/PARKING
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	PARKING
Balsall Parish				LACK OF SPACE, PARK (CHAOTIC) TRAFFIC, ROAD STRUCTURES/DESIGNS ALL IN AND AROUND, A SMALL AREA ADJACENT TO A MAIN THOROUGHFARE/ROUNDABOUT
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	LACK OF BANKS CAR PARKING LACK OF PEDESTRIAN CROSSING
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	No	LACK OF PARKING
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	LACK OF PARKING
Balsall Parish	Yes		Yes	ACCESS AND PARKING
Balsall Parish		No	Yes	THE 'SHOPPING CENTRE' HAS INADEQUATE PARKING. IS THERE ENOUGH MONEY SET ASIDE TO CLEAN UP AFTER TAKE AWAY BUSINESSES
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	DIFFICULTY OF PARKING
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Whether there is retail development in new housing developments depends on the size/location of the new development. If people are being encouraged to walk rather than drive there needs to be retail facilities located close by as the Sainsburys provides. The current Balsall Common centre looks tired and shabby. Parking availability is not obvious so there is excessive traffic movements as drivers try to find somewhere to park. The variety of shops is not enticing and the nature and quality of many of the shops (not all) is not on a par with Knowle or Dorrige. It is not the kind of place you want to browse around
Balsall Parish	Yes	No		With increased housing & car owning population the pressure on parking will grow & this will discourage shoppers from using the centre. There needs to be better enforcement of parking restrictions as much of the present difficulties are

				caused by workers & residents of the centre using spaces long term
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Lack of parking spaces
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Lack of parking for cars
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Re "should the... policies to focus...." only as far as practiacable re the car parking situation - too many staff cars are parked in Station Road Re "should the... encourage retail...." Yes but would the development be big enough to support shops.
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Lack of parking to cater for occupants of proposed houses. Lack of pedestrian crossing on station road.
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	parking
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking, space is limited. You could pedestrianise the main street and provide parking around it. That would make it a lot safer and aesthetically pleasing. You could probably get more retails outlets then too.
Balsall Parish	No		Yes	Parking!!!
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking and pedestrian crossings
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	parking, congestion, limited type of shops
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Insufficient parking spaces. Need a decent size supermarket as opposed to "bitty" grocery shops. I.e. Two mini Tesco shops.
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Car Parking
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Space & parking
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Limited parking , very busy and quite dangerous main shopping area , cars reversing out blind , children crossing without a proper traffic light system limited space to expand shopping area
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Parking facilities, litter, lack of variety in the retail outlets
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Parking
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Whilst the proposed plan set out by Balsall Parish council working party looks like a solution it does not solve the parking issue.They seem in denial that the village requires more parking spaces,they need to

				look ahead not just at the situation at present. There aim is to reduce the parking in Station Road by 10 places and re design the car park at the Jubilee Center by increasing the space s here by 10.This is short sighted.
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Parking
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Lack of parking.
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Space, not enough parking as is
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking and only one bank left.
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking. Not enough diversity of shops, estate agents and food outlets are predominant. This would been difficult as there isn't a large footfall. Thoughts would have to go into thinking how this could be changed.
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	parking/access
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	parking/access
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Flow of traffic and parking.
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Car access /parking
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Available parking. Available space.
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Parking
Balsall Parish	No	No	Yes	Difficult parking
Balsall Parish	No	No	Yes	parking and adequate shops
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	lack of space for parking and a more structured traffic flow is required.
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking - it's already a nightmare! With increased housing and population it's going to get worse.
Balsall				The current parking arrangements in front of the shops are inadequate and dangerous.

Parish				The above questions should be considered in consultation and partnership with Balsall Parish council.
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	No	easy access even for drop off/collect, daft parking layout,
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Safe parking with an older community.
Balsall Parish	Yes	No	Yes	car parking, size of units, listed public transport,
Balsall Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Parking
Balsall Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking and access
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	No	Parking safety for pedestrians and cars also the shops available
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Lack of parking and busy road
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Crazy parking on the roadside creates unnecessary hazards
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Parking, congestion, the amount of accidents happening there currently. The rise in crime that seems to be happening in BC.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Concerns over more takeaways? Should prioritise local businesses. Parking an issue with congestion involved. This should be worked on jointly.
Berkswell Parish	No		No	It is fine for development in the current centre but there is very limited space there and the traffic/parking is already bad. There needs to be careful thought given to how there is any expansion of retail units without creating traffic/parking issues or allowing larger companies (e.g. big name supermarkets) to drive customers from the village centre. The two councils should work on this jointly.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Lack of parking. Diversity of shopping - too many food outlets, hair salons. Traffic passing through the shopping area and from the main road.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Inadequate and badly laid out parking - chevron parking and timed stays (max 1 hour up to 6pm)
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes		Parking, Parking, Parking. Lack of care cleaning the available spaces. Currently littered with rubbish nitrous oxide canisters and Estate Agents Vehicles parked in the same place all day or consecutive days.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes		Parking problem in village, if the village expands need more parking
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Limited space and inadequate parking for businesses & shops with parking spilling over to surrounding roads such as Arden Close and Station Rd. The latter causes a safety issue through cars parking on

				pavements preventing wheelchair and pram access. Too much traffic through the village centre. This could be reduced by extending Hall Meadow Road to make a bypass.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	More parking - at present inadequate
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	More parking needed!
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Limited parking. Not enough variety. At one stage we had 3 estate agents and 3 banks. Also we have 3 hairdressers, how many do we need in a small village.
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Parking. The 90degree parking bays cause congestion. 45degree bays would reduce this.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking is chaotic and really dangerous - difficult to know how to improve it. At busy times it can be unpleasant to attempt to drive down Station Rd.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Traffic problems. Parking & safety issues. Areas of growth for retail units or e-retail opportunities.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking - lack at moment & potentially hazardous.
Berkswell Parish			Yes	Parking. Loss of "staples" like greengrocer (& butcher if we're not careful!)...And Parking!
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Parking - lack of, major problem in BC Shopping Where retail development is included in new housing development it should be controlled to be small & suitable.
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	I think the shops will serve both parishes & the lack of parking is the biggest issue not the shops or variety of shops we have.
Berkswell Parish	Yes			Lack of parking spaces
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking & traffic movement in Balsall Common village centre. Retail units in new developments only as a means of reducing congestion in village centre.
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	No	No more charity shops Better parking More individual shops as before
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	No	Better parking facilities
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	1) Parking will become restrictive

Parish				2) On new housing developments no more than a convenience store and a hairdressers. Silly ideas of moving to a new shopping centre in Barratts Farm would be suicide for existing businesses 3) The selection of shops is about right it can never be a place that will attract business from outside the immediate environment
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Poor layout of parking and public space areas. we need to encourage the cafe and wine bar culture to keep the centre vibrant and in use as more shopping moves on line
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Parking dangerous on Station Rd. Needs parking to be more angled Needs more trees and planting
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Conversion of business to dwellings; car parking
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Lousy layout. Boring. Needs more green. Put parking in the centre of the road. Needs 20 mph limit, speed calming. A complete rethink by professionals is required. Not the micky mouse ideas put forward by Balsall PC. It needs doing properly.
Berkswell Parish	Yes			Congested at times, poor parking. Very poor condition of walkways/pavements.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Lack of safe car parking. A pedestrian crossing urgently needed. Compare pedestrian safety with that in Knowle. Need safe access to both sides of the street for retail development.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking and local transport links
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Lack of parking/current poor parking structure. Congestion in that part of Station Rd affecting traffic island flow.
Berkswell Parish			Yes	Parking. The BC village centre is dangerous with frequent bumps as cars reverse out yet there is always space in the co-op car park. Large delivery lorries to Tesco and OneStop cause further congestion.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	We have enough shops parking is an issue
Berkswell Parish				I think the parking is problematic, it causes congestion & is a potential hazard to pedestrians, (couldn't read the rest of the comments)
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Car parking, more shop variety
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	PARKING - OBVIOUSLY; ROAD LAYOUT/DESIGN LACKS COHESION AND PEDESTRIAN'S NEEDS SHOULD BE PRIORITISED OVER THAT OF THE CAR
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Hopeless parking
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Car parking would be better if spaces were diagonal in line with traffic flow.

Parish				Also need to curb anti-social behaviour and groups of youths congregating outside shops.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Parking
Berkswell Parish	No	No	Yes	Amount of parking spaces
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Inadequate parking - current parking arrangements are dangerous. Lack of variety of retailers, far less than in the past.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Need better parking arrangements; very unsafe at present where cars reverse out into road on both sides. Needs more room for development. One decent sized supermarket would be helpful. Access to "library" carpark is not good. Access to Kenilworth is not good if leaving Coop and turning right when busy times of day. Present shopping area is ugly.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Parking/through traffic. Over reliance on food outlets/restaurants.
Berkswell Parish	Yes		Yes	Lack of central parking facilities and danger if parked on reversing. Large vehicles (cars included) cause many hazards.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Parking and traffic
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking and lack of diversity is a problem and No more hairdressers or fast food outlets.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	See Q9 answer. Parking is the major problem.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Space, parking, Environment - create a slower pace on Kenilworth Road junction.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Parking
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Parking
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Inadequate parking. It needs to be herring bone to make it safer, with a small island at junction of Green lane/ Station Road/meeting House Lane. Shop rents need to be affordable.
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes		It needs to be more widespread, planned, with little local parking areas.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Parking.

Parish				
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Traffic & parking. These are issues for pedestrians, cyclists & motorist alike. It's important that the food shops, cafes are successful & that the village centre doesn't become dominated by estate agents, betting shops and charity shops.
Berkswell Parish	No		Yes	Only that if alternative retail was available with safe easier parking access, you'd go there. Having to drive to BC shops parking is something you think twice about. Prefer to go to Sainsburys garage. Also have shopped at Co-op a lot less since access where the new houses are has gone. It's a disincentive to go round the corner & not be able to pull out to right - long queue of traffic.
Berkswell Parish		No	Yes	Parking
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No		Parking - need to encourage cycle use for shopping. Busy Kenilworth Road. If there are large scale developments then should include at least a small "local" shop but not an extensive retail.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Shopping centre should be joint. Car Parking. Restricted access. Limited shop frontage potential.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Shopping centre should be a joint effort. PARKING Lack of diversity in retail units - eg there is not a good greengrocer at the moment - too many hairdressers!!
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Poor pavement areas. Vans parking where they like. It is sort of messy/shabby
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Berkswell and Balsall PCs should work together on this. Parking layout, slowing through traffic. Make it look nicer. Street market like Kenilworth?
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking Variety of shops Loss of banks
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	No	Parking is an issue at busy times
Berkswell Parish			Yes	Lack of suitable parking arrangements
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Car parking
Berkswell Parish		Yes	Yes	Terrible parking issues. More housing will make it worse

Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Lack of parking spaces
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Parking
Berkswell Parish	No	No	No	Space to expand shops, poor parking, congested access, out of town easier access preferable.
Berkswell Parish			Yes	Parking and impact on pedestrian safety.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Easier parking. Backing out is dangerous particularly with white van man next to you. It must be possible to make it more attractive just to wander about or sit in. Only the best will survive as the internet takes over routine shopping.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Its old fashioned. Remove that barrier in the library car park. It is nonsense and dangerous
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Parking layout. Sort out that barrier in the library car park. It makes getting out of spaces at the top end difficult and discourages people from using the car park.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Lack of parking and busy road
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	improved parking management, need for a more user friendly & more pleasant environment - increasing planting , protecting trees (note some are paved against or tarmacked up to trunk, which will kill the trees)
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking / variety of shops
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Carparking is unsafe. Needs diagonal parking as a minimum to aid visibility. Not sure what you can do about large white vans hindering visibility. Huge Dutch juggernaut blocking all access some mornings delivering two bunches of tulips to the florist hardly helps! Delivery vehicles generally should be managed better. In terms of long term success , there is little to draw you in really . It's not a destination really. Tesco is functional-good for size, post office also useful. Florist low tier, as is deli, butchers. Dry cleaners amateurish.I do use PO and used to use banks. Now I use Knowle as is more of a destination with many coffee shops, restaurants and gift shops. Oakes farm cafe does well as it is somewhere to go with adequate parking. You are only ever going to walk to Costa
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Car parking is insufficient
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking and unsafe pedestrian crossing areas
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Litter and general scruffiness. Poor parking layout. Put parking in road centre in herringbone. More trees and perhaps street statures/fountains, Get rid of clutter. Hire an expert to come up with ideas

Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	The two parish councils need to work together on this. Litter. Poor parking layout. Get rid of that barrier half way around the library car park because it discourages people parking at the far end
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Parking, Balsall Common is not set up for mass introduction of new development which could be located elsewhere, however, if forced, support and infrastructure will be needed in all areas.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking. Excessive no of estate agents taking up units
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Not enough parking, too much congestion and more youths hanging around. If we are to have more housing, suggest another area for shopping / cafes. It is getting more and more dangerous for our children to cross the road along Station Road and also to park. Someone is going to have a nasty accident soon. Also, a crossing would be a good idea on Station Road and also on the Kenilworth Road towards Sainsburys garage. Suggestion to slow traffic down too.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Parking and litter. It's ll a bit drab really
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Traffic incl parking, mix of units, aesthetics
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Poor range of shops. Poor parking layout.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	It just needs making attractive. Too much concrete. Need more trees and places to sit. Improve the parking. Its chaos sometimes with people reversing . They are doing a study in Berkswell village. Why can't we have one and sort it out with a proper plan?
Berkswell Parish	Yes		Yes	I did not understand the above question and clicked on box by mistake. It wont let be not have a view. I do not care who sorts out the centre of Balsall Common. Make the parking easier whoever you are. Get rid of that barrier in the Library car park that does not allow you to drive around it. Why is it there?
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking, poor choice of shops.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Parking often tricky. Lack of diversity. Would be lovely to have bistro/ wine bar like kenilworth and knowledge have
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Lack of parking
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	No	Parking needs sorting. Its not that there is a shortage its just badly laid out with people reversing into Station Road and its hard to park in the Jubilee car park with that barrier. Does anyone know why it is there?
Berkswell Parish	No	Yes	Yes	Parking
Berkswell	Yes	No	Yes	Existing buildings, road layouts, parking, unattractiveness of existing ventures. Attracting standalone,

Parish				independent retailers (deli's, restaurant, specialist shops) in an attractive environment would then go some way to creating some ground swell and propagate on-going economic stimulation.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	No	Yes	Parking and speed limits of roads surrounding the shops
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Through traffic and parking. Lack of space to expand retail facilities.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	poor parking, lack of imaginative retail
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	Yes	Lack of adequate parking especially when roadworks occur and lorries make deliveries.
Berkswell Parish	Yes	Yes	No	Lack of parking!! Anyone with a car sensibly chooses to go to Kenilworth
Not sure	Yes	No	Yes	Car parking on Station road is poor - can't reverse into traffic etc. Accidents waiting to happen. Should be changed
Not sure	No	Yes	Yes	Car parking. Lack of public transport to serve the neighbourhood.
Not sure	No	Yes	Yes	Parking
	Yes	No	Yes	Parking, volume of traffic, speed of traffic. Essential services closing - Bank

Any further thoughts or comments about the Berkswell NDP

Are you are a resident of Berkswell Parish (see map above)	Please use the space below to provide any further thoughts or comments about the Berkswell NDP.	Affinity classification Comment A	Affinity classification Comment B	Affinity classification Comment C	Affinity classification Comment D
Berkswell Parish	Litter in Balsall Common centre	1			
Berkswell Parish	Improved maintenance of country lanes, many are neglected with the verges badly encroaching on the roadway. New residents regularly refuse to pull over when meeting another vehicle.	1	5		
Berkswell Parish	Q6 - Not necessarily preserving character - sometimes could be improved by change. Road safety in some areas is inadequate for increased flow of traffic: eg Baulk Lane particularly as it is a single track lane with little maintenance.	1	5		
Balsall Parish	so long as new development is thought through and policies are enforced then there is no problem with development. The problem arises when developers change what they propose to when they come to build. A more robust and stricter approach to ensure that minimal diversion is allowed from the agreed policies is fundamental.	1			
Berkswell Parish	You need to recognise that the region needs housing and new investment both foreign and local. A big part of this is good quality housing & quality of life for people, including the better paid. We all live on developed farms so we cannot draw up the drawbridge. More housing would improve economic viability of the village as an entity, bringing in business and employers not simply a place to live. HoE School could be the school for the village with a smaller catchment area capitalising on fairer funding opportunities.	2	5		
Berkswell Parish	1) Needs consideration for car parking development at Station 2) Integrate bus and rail timetables 3) Any new developments need to protect the rural aspect of Balsall Common Village. The model of Riddings Hill to provide open spaces for recreation for both existing residents and new properties is a great success 4) Traffic from new developments must be moved away from the village - not routed through it - hence a collector road like Hall Meadow is needed 5) Better plans for recreation facilities	2 56	3	7	52
Balsall Parish	BETTER BUS SERVICE IN THE EVENING SOLIHULL TO BALSALL COMMON	2			
Balsall	THE BUS SERVICE IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH TO SOLIHULL.	2			

Parish	SERVICE TO KENILWORTH WOULD BE USEFUL				
Berkswell Parish	A joint Berkswell/Balsall NDP would make more sense given that the development in Berkswell is actually in Balsall Common village. Infrastructure/transport (trains/buses) more importantly is to increase frequency of trains to B'ham & Coventry and improve bus services to Solihull & Kenilworth Schools and provision of affordable/starter homes for our children and provision of homes for the older population and those who live alone is crucial.	2	5	55	
Berkswell Parish	Berkswell & BC NDP should be joint Improvement required for schools, public transport, leisure facilities, general public green space. Affordable housing particularly required for young people.	2	52	55	
Balsall Parish	LACK OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT IS A PROBLEM FOR SOME RESIDENTS, BUS SERVICE USED TO RUB ALONG KENILWORTH ROAD TO LAVENDER HALL ROAD. THE WALK FROM GEORGE IN THE TREE END TO THE CENTRE OF BALSALL (WHERE THE BUS SERVICE IS) IS TOO LONG FOR SOME RESIDENTS ESPECIALLY IN WINTER CONDITIONS	2			
Berkswell Parish	Do not encourage business here except to service locals. This is a residential area.	2			
Berkswell Parish	The provision of adequate schooling and health centre	2			
Berkswell Parish	My main concerns about new housing developments in the area at the following: Protection of wildlife; Preservation of footpaths; Preservation of the rural landscape and rural character of the areas; Careful planning of access to new developments to avoid increases in traffic volume and speed on residential roads (e.g. more traffic calming and sensible access points); More footpaths and cycleways. Anything the NDP can do to address such points would be appreciated. In terms of new facilities I would welcome further parkland and a leisure centre/swimming pool, more parking at the train station as well as more frequent bus/train services.	3 57	7	52	56
Berkswell Parish	Traffic through the village is already high and is increased as soon as there are problems on M42 or M40. This will only increase with more housing in the village.	3			
Berkswell Parish	The map of the conservation area in Berkswell village displayed in the Jordan room is fine , but don't forget wider conservation in dividing fields to the south of Berkswell Hall and stables. Traffic calming should also get a mention and - heaven help us -???????? for the HS2 which is up on us.	3	56		
Berkswell Parish	No bypass up Hallmeadow Road. Use the proposed A45/46 link and built that next to HS2	3			
Berkswell Parish	Windmill Lane must not be used as a cut through to a bypass	3			
Berkswell Parish	We need traffic calming in our village before someone gets badly hurt	3			
Berkswell	My issues have been covered but I do feel very strongly that	3	56		

Parish	green belt space must be protected and any development seriously considers transport accessibility and the impact the increased transport will have on our village. I am also concerned that all local character will disappear with proposed development.				
Berkswell Parish	Great that they have managed to put on the event & have a plan for the area	5			
Berkswell Parish	A well written consultation document. Congratulations	5			
Berkswell Parish	Whatever policies the NDP is able to implement with SMBC it should be noted that developers are unlikely to follow through low cost or community construction to completion. There is a growing trend to abandon these projects after the profitable construction has taken place.	5			
Berkswell Parish	Thank you for dealing with it.	5			
Berkswell Parish	Do not want BC/Berkswell to be made into a town (they can and are purpose built). Still want to retain country atmosphere	5	56		
Berkswell Parish	Retain village community	5			
Balsall Parish	parking outside the schools in balsall and berkswell becoming dangerous - we need some controls over this before a child is killed; parish boundary line should follow a hard line ie the railway	5	7		
Berkswell Parish	It is a pity that Balsall PC pulled out of the joint NDP. Why are Berkswell Parish having to do this alone. It makes no sense.	5			
Berkswell Parish	Why did Balsall Parish pull out of the joint NDP? It seems daft having two NDPs or Balsall Common. What is the matter with them?	5			
Berkswell Parish	Cooperation between the 2 NDPs is important.	5			
Berkswell Parish	In respect of agricultural buildings above it is extremely dependant on situation! some modern architecture can enhance old buildings. In respect of car parking at Berkswell Station, Yes overspill becoming problematic and is a potential accident risk.	5	7	55	
Balsall Parish	THE NDP MIGHT WANT TO CONSIDER IMPACT OF HS2 AND THE LOSS OF FOOTPATH/CYCLEWAY TO KENILWORTH	5	7		
Balsall Parish	THE LOSS OF THE GREENWAY TO KENILWORTH IS A SHAME WITH HS2. COULD ANOTHER EASY ACCESS FOOTPATH/CYCLEWAY BE BUILT	5	7		
Balsall Parish	CONDITIONS SHOULD BE IN PLACE TO ENSURE IT BENEFITS THE BC COMMUNITY AS WELL	5			
Balsall Parish	Q3: I FEEL AS A BALSALL RESIDENT I SHOULD NOT BE COMPLETING EITHER	5			
Balsall Parish	Q3: BERKSWELL IS TOO PROTECTED	5			
Balsall Parish	TOO MUCH ACTIVITY IN BALSALL COMMON REVOLVES AROUND THE CAR. TRAVELLING TO WORK, TO A DECENT	5			

	SUPERMARKET, TO A STATION, FOR LEISURE ACTIVITIES				
Balsall Parish	Q6: SUGGESTION WE DELETE 'SMALL SCALE' IN FIRST BULLET POINT AND SUGGESTION WE INSERT 'AND ECONOMICALLY' AFTER 'TECHNICALLY' IN SECOND BULLET POINT	5			
Balsall Parish	SEEMS TO BE HITTING THE GROUND RUNNING: VERY IMPRESSED Q3: QUALITY OF LIFE, DO NOT WANT DEVELOPMENT TO RUIN IT	5			
Balsall Parish	RETAIN GREEN BELT; TOW PARISH COUNCILS OFTEN SEEM TO OPPOSING EACH OTHER- NOT GOOD FOR NEGOTIATIONS WITH LA'S. ONE BODY WITH TWO WARDS? COMMENTS ADDED TO Q3B; 'EITHER AS LONG AS NOT ON GREEN BELT AND Q10B: MAINTAIN POST OFFICE AND STORES	5	56		
Balsall Parish	THANKS FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE MY THOUGHTS! SADLY I FEEL THEY WILL BE IGNORED BY CENTRAL GOVERNMENT INTENT ON RUNNING A FREE MARKET ECONOMY PRIMARILY CONCERNED BY THE PROFIT MOTIVE. NOT ANOTHER REFERENDUM! LEAD BY THE WRONG QUESTION! AND I DONT TRUST JEREMY CORBYN EITHER	5			
Balsall Parish	COLLABORATION WITH BALSALL PC Q5: 'COMMENT' THIS HAMLET SHOULD BE CHERISHED Q7B: COMMENT - SEE BISCESTER	5			
Balsall Parish	Well done such a thorough and thoughtful questionnaire	5			
Balsall Parish	While fully supporting the excellent work done by Berkswell PC towards producing their NDP, there should have been a joint NDP produced by both Berkswell & Balsall Pc's, & it is greatly disappointing that Balsall PC scuppered this to the detriment of our community.	5			
Berkswell Parish	You are doing a good job with this. Very professional	5			
Berkswell Parish	Q3B Total opposition to mass development in Berkswell parish. Q4 The only way to protect local landscape is not to build mass homes. Re Berkswell NDP - waste of time. Councillor Courts already has the 'Master Plan' ready to roll!	5			
Berkswell Parish	editor's comment - this responder states his age to be 14	5			
Berkswell Parish	Editor's comment - responder is aged 16	5			
Berkswell Parish	Mustn't become (or remain) a "Nimby" organisation: like it or not additional development is needed in Green belt given rapid rise in UK population in the last decades.	5			
Berkswell Parish	It's a shame that Berkswell & BC do not work jointly to allow most benefits for both - hopefully soon united parishes	5			
Berkswell Parish	feels like an exercise in local democracy at the margins. The significant decisions, such as choice of Barretts farm site for housing feels imposed, and the local councils are engaged in	5			

	impact mitigation. Same as for HS2.				
Berkswell Parish	The amount of housing intended for the Balsall Common area of Berkswell Parish is out of proportion for the area. Trying to turn it into a town is unacceptable.	5			
Berkswell Parish	Before this NDP can be truly effective I feel that consideration to changing the boundaries between Berkswell & B C should be important.	5			
Berkswell Parish	Thank you to local residents and Councillors who have taken this on. It's a huge task, but our future quality of life depends on it.	5			
Berkswell Parish	Compliment Berkswell PC on the process thus far.	5			
Berkswell Parish	Congratulations to the team who have spent hours on this document. My only reservation is that it could appear as if any development on the green belt is still not being treated with total opposition. I still cannot see that SMBC have proved the necessity to develop GB land here.	5			
Berkswell Parish	Help attract small businesses	5			
Berkswell Parish	You seem to have put a lot of work into that Issues document.	5			
Berkswell Parish	HS2 will have a huge impact on the area but not mentioned here	5			
Berkswell Parish	No additional housing in Berkswell Village and Conservation area	5			
Berkswell Parish	Thank you for all your work	5			
Not sure	The plan should be "open", "honest" and provide a full picture of requirements and intentions. No horse trading with neighbouring authorities. All aspects of the NDP should be joined-up and interlock with current situations. For each suggestion or recommendation the following should be addressed: Why is it needed? What is it for? How will it benefit the community? Who will be responsible for the outcome?	5			
Berkswell Parish	Good job	5			
Not sure	This is a very long and confusing questionnaire. I'm a sophisticated reader and I'm not sure my answers are consistent. Can I ask if you piloted it first and with whom?	5			
Not sure	Great idea!	5			
Balsall Parish	Unfortunately there are too many houses planned and not enough facilities to cater for all the extra people that will occupy them.	5			
Berkswell Parish	Both Parish Councils should work together on Balsall Common centre	5			
Berkswell Parish	Don't waste time on writing policies on Berkswell conservation area, no one is allowed to build houses there,	5			

	they are all coming to Balsall Common.				
Balsall Parish	I think that if all the money from the housing development goes to Berkswell parish council then they have a responsibility to help fund shopping areas sports facilities for Balsall Common . This is because the majority of families will use the Balsall Common facilities and the secondary school .	5			
Balsall Parish	It's a lovely village atmosphere at the moment - don't let's lose that as the village grows. The plan needs to be carefully thought out to allow current inhabitants to continue to enjoy their homes (ie not too much incursion into people's way of life, views from their windows, increased parking in residential roads etc) and allow them to welcome new people to the village. Also I understand the local schools are full or close to it, where are new residents children going to go to school?	5			
Balsall Parish	Stop building houses use empty properties	5			
Berkswell Parish	Do not waste time on more conservation rules for Berkswell village. No building is scheduled there. You need to concentrate on the big issues in Balsall Common	5			
Berkswell Parish	No bypass down Windmill Lane	5			
Balsall Parish	This needs effective collaboration between the two Parish Councils and wide involvement with residents.	5			
Berkswell Parish	We seem a long way way from Balsall Common. Coventry are building houses near us. Parking is easy at Tile Hill	5			
Not sure	Amateurs determined to prevent necessary development should not be allowed to sit on committees like this - viz HS2	5			
Balsall Parish	Some people need to realise that life changes and the villages need to alter to embrace the 21st century.	5			
Balsall Parish	The Balsall / Berkswell boundary should be the railway line.	5			
Berkswell Parish	The sooner the two parishes combine to give a better overall planning situation the better.	5			
Berkswell Parish	Good work by the council and volunteers	5			
Balsall Parish	There should be a more unified approach to future planning and development - the segregation of Balsall Common into two separate parishes is historic and no longer fit for purpose.	5			
Berkswell Parish	The villages' demographic and life would be enhanced by a greater mix of ethnicity. Not everyone who lives in the village is white so an attempt should be made to represent people of different skin colours on publicity.	5			
Berkswell Parish	With respect to affordable housing Solihull Council appear to ignore anywhere outside Solihull itself	5			
Berkswell Parish	Sort out the shopping area. Get rid of that silly barrier in the library car park that makes parking difficult at the far end and stop people going all the way around.	6			
Balsall	THE OFFICE BUILDING BEHIND THE CO-OP (NOW FLATS AND	6	7		

Parish	HOUSES) WAS A SHORT SIGHTED POLICY. WE COULD HAVE HAD MODERN SHOPS AND MULTI STOREY CAR PARKING. TOO LATE NOW - BUT YOU COULD BUILD ON THE CAR PARK BEHIND THE LIBRARY WITH UNDERGROUND OR OVER SHOPPING PARKING. Q7: A 'NO BRAINER' AS OUR SON WOULD SAY (IN RELATION TO CAR PARKING AT THE STATION)				
Berkswell Parish	Their is a need to address the mixture of cars, parking places and pedestrians. Delivery to shops should be monitored and not allowed to block through traffic.	6			
Berkswell Parish	As population increases then it is urgent to address village centre where congestion is produces by cars, parking and people. Delivery to shops should be restricted so as to keep Station Road open. Huge vehicles on country lanes and Station Road should be restricted.	6			
Berkswell Parish	Can we have more trees and a mini park in Balsall Common centre. It can be done. Only imagination is needed	6			
Berkswell Parish	I hate going in the Jubilee car park now you cannot drive all the way around it. Not too bad in a small car but in my estate it is very difficult at the top end. With lots of new housing we might need more car parking in the village centre. Certainly something needs to be one about the on street parking. It is chaos at times	6			
Balsall Parish	adequate provision must be made for goods deliveries to retail units as for example, the current lack of available parking causes a problem when Tesco take deliveries.	6			
Berkswell Parish	More parking everywhere. Better use of Hallmeadow Road to join up with Kelsey Lane or Waste Lane, in conjunction with better parking with train station and lots of cycle routes, footpaths & access (to minimise traffic). No large supermarkets allowed to cosy in on new developments. Support local business to not become a generic landscape. Affordable housing in small pockets (not large areas all lumped together).	7	8	55	57
Balsall Parish	Q7B.: how about a multi storey + charge	7			
Balsall Parish	Q5: MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING REQUIRED Q7B: TOO MUCH PARKING ON SIDE ROADS GOING ON	7	55		
Berkswell Parish	Car parking is needed at the station for the purpose of removing the line of cars blocking safe use of a busy road year round.	7			
Berkswell Parish	I feel very strongly about the lack of affordable housing and haven't felt supported on this subject. Speaking with local residents there seems to be an idea that affordable housing will attract the 'wrong' kind of residents. I would just like to share my current situation to give this some perspective. I am 36, married with two children who attend the local school. We have lived here for almost 10 years and are very happy. However, we are still struggling to get on the property ladder. We have good jobs and are respectable people. I am a Soloist Ballerina with Birmingham Royal Ballet	50			

	and my husband is a musician and music teacher. I'm sure there are lots of younger families in a similar situation to us. I hope sharing my personal experience will help the NDP understand some of the other residents views and you will help us have a voice when it comes to allocation of affordable housing. Please don't let the only option be a tiny 2 bed apartment. I understand this is largely out of your control but I'm very positive that you will have a great impact on the villages future.				
	Anything on leisure & recreation?	52			
Berkswell Parish	Rural area & heritage are vital to the plans for Berkswell Parish. Community is also essential, funds for a new playground at Lavender Hall (similar to Kenilworth Park regeneration) would be wonderful. Walking/biking tracks and maintenance of public footpaths. Trees (oak trees, in particular) will also preserve the rural feel of the Parish. Trees protect our environment & the nature & wildlife around us.	52	56	57	
Balsall Parish	we feel parish boundary should now run along the railway line - seems most sensible and logical	52			
Berkswell Parish	It would be helpful to discuss consultation responses on spot and recreation as we are trying to get an integrated strategy for the whole community. Bob Harris - director B&BC Sports and Community Association. bob@harris30.myzen.co.uk	52			
Balsall Parish	Purpose built sports hall/community hall/meeting room must be included to provide facilities for all residents moving in to proposed housing and to supplement current facilities.	52			
Berkswell Parish	generally to keep and character but use this an opportunity to improve the facilities around particularly interms of safer cycling routes and walk paths and overall to make it pleasant and safe to live in and enhance quality of life. I mention few times the needs for play grounds and sports area particularly in Berkswell to improve access to exercise and probably places where residents can meet to improve Parish cohesion.	52	56	57	
Balsall Parish	What about education, health, support services, children's support, youth clubs , etc.	52			
Berkswell Parish	Perhaps housing should be spread, out more thinly "housed", to have less impact on a particular location.	55			
Berkswell Parish	As we have an aging demographic we should be providing more bungalows rather than retirement flats.	55			
Balsall Parish	BESIDES KEEPING TO THE CHARACTER OF THE AREA HOUSES SHOULD BE OF GOOD QUALITY. CONTRACTORS SHOULD BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SHODDY WORKMANSHIP. SHODDY BUILT PROPERTIES CAN SOON CREATE AN UNWELCOMING AND DETERIORATING COMMUNITY	55			
Balsall Parish	GOOD ARCHITECTURE CAN BLEND OLD AND NEW STYLES AND MATERIALS SO THE USE OF TRADITIONAL MATERIALS SHOULD NOT BLOCK VERY GOOD QUALITY DESIGNS IF THEY CONTRIBUTE POSITIVELY. THOROUGH BUILDING INSPECTION IS REQUIRED FOR ALL NEW DEVELOPMENTS	55			
Balsall	A RADICAL PLAN ALLOWING FOR THE FUTURE SHOULD BE	55			

Parish	ADOPTED AND NOT HARKING BACK TO OLD/PRESENT DAY REQUIREMENTS. THE PLAN SHOULD ALLOW FOR THE DEMANDS OF PEOPLE FROM ALL INCOME STREAMS TO DEVELOP A COMMUNITY. FIVE BEDROOM HOMES NEED CLEANERS AND GARDENERS				
Berkswell Parish	Housing density far too high.	55			
Berkswell Parish	Would not support affordable housing project	55			
Berkswell Parish	There is a need to keep the present conurbation and new development separate as happened with building Riddings Hill. A definite green space between the new and the old is required with new access roads provided, which will separate them, but green open spaces would benefit both new and old. The continuation of Hall Meadow Road to serve as access to the new developments thus preserving the peaceful rural environment of existing residents	56			
Berkswell Parish	Just keep it as rural as possible, as green as possible & as family friendly as possible.	56			
Berkswell Parish	Ensure that any development has large amounts of green space and does not feel like many new developments with little greenery or trees etc. Encourage walking & cycling with greenbelt areas and make sure the character is not lost in any developments.	56	57		
Balsall Parish	KEEP THE 'GREEN' IMAGE AND MORE FOOTPATHS	56	57		
Berkswell Parish	I am anxious that the NDP is sensitive to the Green belt and open space that attracted me to the village. I moved to the village because it has good transport links whilst also retaining access to open space. I do not want this to be blighted by over-development and inappropriate development	56			
Berkswell Parish	As a resident of Berkswell Parish I am very anxious that the Green Belt will be protected.	56			
Berkswell Parish	New estates should be like Riddings Hill with green space all around. I live there and it is lovely.	56			
Berkswell Parish	Care should be taken that agricultural buildings are not constructed to bypass planning permission so they can be converted later for a profit. People want to live & visit Berkswell village because it is a small picturesque village with historical features. Expansion will destroy the character of the village.	56			
Berkswell Parish	Protect our green land no matter what. Be innovative and use existing built on land in creative ways. Stand up for our rural heritage and the uniqueness of Berkswell. Do not allow the super estates to take over and join up the entire patch as they are doing heading out to Kenilworth.	56			
Balsall Parish	The character of the village MUST be maintained and not make it look like your driving into a housing development as on the Kenilworth Road from Kenilworth	56			
Berkswell	Keep Balsall Common green	56			

Parish					
Balsall Parish	Solihull council should look for brown field sites before eating away at the countryside. We already have a massive build going on and the schools are struggling. We need to fight against any further destruction. I have lived here for 18 years now, but I will be leaving as soon as I can if this goes on.	56			
Berkswell Parish	Provide residents with the ability to promote sites for development (similar to the call for site from Solihull) where promotion benefits the community. Promoting development which benefits existing residents not just provide facilities for new homes	81			
Berkswell Parish	If so many houses are to be built as suggested, retail outlets within those sites need to be included to keep the increased number of people out of the already congested Balsall Common centre.	6			
Berkswell Parish	<p>We have moved from Meriden to Balsall common/Berkswell recently. We lived on the Meriden gate estate and were plagued with anti social behaviour which resulted in many of moving (please ask the housing association about this; Bromford Homes: Rebecca Clarke and three of the four houses surrounding this house moved) We witnessed stabbings, fights, domestic violence and drug use on a regular basis outside our house. The housing association were helpless and a beautiful village was ruined for us. We moved to on older part of Balsall Common as I did not want to witness violence or be threatened.</p> <p>We need to think carefully of our existing population, social housing needs for those with local links rather than housing those who have been kicked out of prior housing association homes. I am all for social mobility, but the village did not have the resources to deal with this family. I am conscious that with such large numbers of homes being planned in these large estates that we will see a further increase in crime, stretched resources and community spirit. we n</p>	80	50		
Berkswell Parish	I like the option of eco controls on new housing. All homes should be able to generate their own electricity. Better than solar farms in the greenbelt	55			
Berkswell Parish	Good questionnaire. You have most of the issues. I like the idea of new houses coming with solar power as standard	55			

Attachment 1 – Affinity Classifications

“Affinity” classifications were used by the Working Groups to sort comments & suggestions to help with analysis.

1. Issues that cannot legally be addressed via an NDP but are within the scope of Solihull Council’s powers/responsibilities. To be used by Berkswell Parish Council to inform its response to the Solihull Local Plan (housing etc) proposals
2. Issues that cannot legally be addressed via an NDP and are outside the scope of Solihull Council’s powers/responsibilities. To be used by Berkswell Parish Council to inform its general work
3. TRAFFIC/LOCATION
4. TYPE OF BUSINESS
5. GENERAL COMMENT
6. BC CENTRE
7. PARKING
8. BUSINESS BUILDING DESIGN
9. BERKSWELL VILLAGE CENTRE
10. BUSINESS PLANNING RULES
11. BUSINESS INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT

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| 50 | Affordable housing including affordable to buy |
| 51 | Local Work |
| 52 | Health, Wellbeing, Leisure & community spirit |
| 53 | Younger people |
| 54 | Older people |
| 55 | Residential Building Design and layout |
| 56 | Protect Local Landscape Character and wildlife |
| 57 | Footpaths, Cycle Routes, Bridal Ways and Mobility Scooter Routes |
| 58 | HS2 Related |
| 59 | Parish areas not in Berkswell Village or Balsall Common |
| 60 | Electric vehicles |

70 Why Affordable Housing – Near Family/Friend

71 ----- Near Work

72 ----- Like living here

73 ----- Near schools

74 ----- Near Shops

75 ----- Near Trains

80 Policy for Berkswell Area – More houses needed

81 ----- More local engagement needed

82 ----- Alternative View

Note: The above numbers are not sequential because the separate working groups were looking at different sections of the responses and needed to assign their own numerical sequence to ensure there was no duplication: there is no significance to the gaps in the numbering sequence.

Attachment 2 - Analysis methodology for Issues and Options consultation

Background

Respondents to the issue and options consultation answered both open questions seeking a written response and “closed” questions seeking a yes/no answer or a selection from given choices. There were two questionnaires, a general questionnaire and one specifically for businesses.

There were 405 responses to the general questionnaire and 19 business responses. In a small number of cases respondents had given their post code but no parish. In these cases the correct parish was inserted from Royal Mail’s “postcode finder”. Some respondents had given neither post code nor parish. In these cases their responses were included with the non Berkswell Parish responses.

Analysis methodology

The analysis of the “closed” questions involved simple downloading of data into an excel spreadsheet and its analysis from there. Results from Berkswell Parish residents and other respondents were analysed separately and a report produced.

The analysis and interpretation of the written responses was more of a challenge. In theory respondents focused their comments and suggestions on the precise question asked. In practice it was not that simple so the following process was adopted. The working groups used a sorting process to bring together comments and suggestions into themes. The sorting process was based on the quality tool called the Affinity Process, where comments are grouped based on their affinity to each other and then a group title or theme established. Some comments fell into more than one theme and this was recognised by the process by the allocation of more than one theme per respondent’s comment where appropriate. The overall process was managed as follows:

1. The advantage of the Affinity Process is that there is no right or wrong allocation of a theme, merely a methodology for sorting to help subsequent analysis and the process was trialled to ensure it was understood by all committee members.
2. The respondents’ suggestions/comments were then allocated to 3 working groups who sorted the respondents’ comments/suggestions using the affinity process, with each comment/suggestion being allocated to one or more themes for analysis.
3. The initial sorting themes and affinity classifications were then moderated by the whole committee to ensure consistency.
4. The “sorting” power of Microsoft word was used to sort the comments via their primary and secondary themes for analysis.
5. In this way comments/suggestions on similar themes were grouped together which made practical the drawing conclusions from over 1000 comments, wherever in the questionnaire the respondent placed their answer.
6. The committee then split into two working groups (A & B) to conduct the analysis of the suggestions/comments made and to draw preliminary conclusions for presentation to the full Steering Committee.
7. The preliminary conclusions from the A & B working groups are to be discussed in public at a formal meeting of the Steering Committee with the independent consultant present. The preliminary conclusions reached by working group A will be challenged by members of working group B and the consultant for robustness and vice versa.

Treatment of non Berkswell Parish responses

In the vast majority of cases the answers to closed questions did not significantly vary between the Berkswell and non Berkswell respondents. Where they did, the analysis gives more weight to the Berkswell responses but that impact is not great. For the comments and suggestions no real distinction was made based on the rationale that a good suggestion is a good suggestion irrespective of its source and it is quality of suggestions that is most important not quantity.