

**Barway**

## A Vision for Barway

### Have your say on the future of Barway

- **What do you want to change or improve?**
- **What do you want to protect?**
- **What facilities would you like to see?**

**What do you think?** We want your views on how Barway should change in the future. What sort of place would you like Barway to be? What are your priorities for the village and the wider Parish? Your views will help us to form a long-term vision for Barway which sets out how it should develop over the next 20 years.

**What will the Vision do?** The Vision will be used to guide decisions on future development and planning applications. It will also help ensure that key infrastructure and facilities are provided and improved. The Vision will be included in the statutory development plan for East Cambridgeshire - known as the 'Core Strategy'.

**How do I comment?** The Vision will be used to guide decisions on future development and planning applications. It will also help ensure that key infrastructure and facilities are provided and improved. The Vision will be included in the statutory development plan for East Cambridgeshire - known as the 'Core Strategy'.

**How do I comment?** Please let us have your views by answering the questions below. Comments should be made by 18th July 2011 and respondents are encouraged to fill in the questionnaire online at [www.eastcambs.gov.uk/local-development-framework/core-strategy-review](http://www.eastcambs.gov.uk/local-development-framework/core-strategy-review). Paper copies of the questionnaire should be returned to the Forward Planning Team, East Cambridgeshire District Council, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely, Cambridgeshire, CB7 4EE, or by email to [ldf@eastcambs.gov.uk](mailto:ldf@eastcambs.gov.uk). There will be a further opportunity to make comments on the draft Vision, which we hope to publish in early 2012. If you have any questions please call the Forward Planning team on 01353 665555.

Any information that you will provide will be used for the purpose of the Core Strategy, and processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act.

#### 1. Please provide your details:

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#### 2. Please select whether you would like your details to be added to the Core Strategy consultation database, in order to be notified of key stages of production:

- Yes  No

#### 3. Please indicate the main reason for your interest in the development of Barway:

- Local resident of Barway  Developer or local landowner
- Local business owner  Potential investor
- Employee, working in Barway  Professional interest
- Other (please specify)

**4. How would you like to see the village/parish change or improve in the future? Please list your top 3 priorities below:**

Priority 1

Priority 2

Priority 3

## Housing

**5. Do you think there should be housing growth on the edge of Barway?**

**Please choose one of the following options:**

- No
- Yes - small scale housing growth (up to 10 houses) for a mix of private and affordable housing (e.g. like provided by Sanctuary Hereward)
- Yes - medium scale housing growth (up to 20 houses) for a mix of private and affordable housing
- Yes - large scale housing growth (more than 20 houses) for a mix of private and affordable housing
- Yes - small/medium scale housing growth for affordable housing only

Other (please provide details)

**6. Housing development will continue to come forward on small sites within the village. However, schemes are currently limited to a maximum of 2 dwellings (taking account of the size of the village and local facilities).**

**Do you think this approach should continue?**

- Yes
- Don't know
- No

If you selected no, what alternative approach would you like to see?

## Employment

**7. Would you like to see more opportunities for small businesses in the village/parish? (e.g. offices, industrial units, workshops).**

- Yes
- Don't know
- No

## Development envelope

**8. The development envelope (see map at back) marks the built up area of the village where development is normally allowed to take place. The area outside the development envelope is protected as open countryside.**

**Which of the following approaches would you prefer?**

- Keep the development envelope
- Replace development envelopes with a policy that assesses each application on its merits

## Local infrastructure and facilities

**9. The District Council can secure funds from developers to spend on improving local infrastructure and facilities. If new development comes forward in the village, what benefits would you like to see? Please select your top 3 priorities from the list:**

	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3
Improvements to play areas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
New play areas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improvements to sports grounds/open space	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
New sports ground/open space	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
More school places	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Improvements to pedestrian/cycle routes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A community/village hall	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you selected other, please provide details

**10. For the priorities that you have selected in Question 9 above, can you provide more detail on what these improvements should be, and where they should be located?**

**11. The Parish Council believes that a Community Trust was set up for the purposes of building a village hall in the 1990's. The Parish Council is attempting to trace the original Trustees and would welcome any information that residents may have regarding this.**

**Please provide any details below:**

**12. Please use this space to make any other comments:**

**Monitoring Information (Optional)**

It would be useful if you could please provide the following information about yourself:

**13. Sex**

- Male  Female

**14. Status**

- Employee  Unemployed  Student  
 Self-employed  Homeworker  Retired

**15. Age**

- 0-16 years  40-49  75-84  
 17-24  50-59  85+  
 25-39  60-74

**16. Ethnic origin**

- White British  Chinese  Caribbean  
 White Irish  Indian  Other black background  
 Other white background  Pakistani  Other ethnic group  
 Gypsy / Traveller  Other Asian background  
 Mixed ethnicity  African

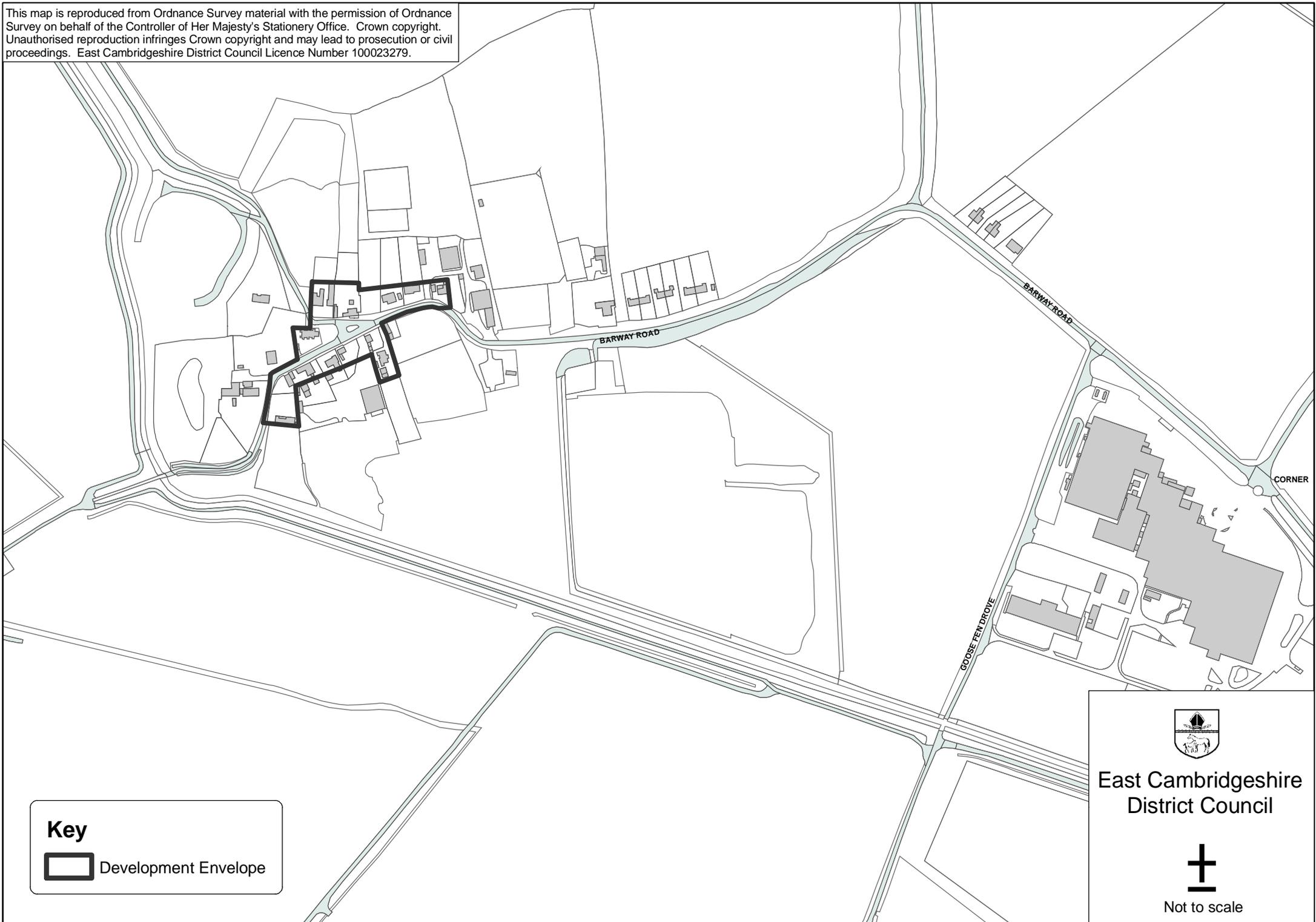
**17. Disability**

**Under the Disability Discrimination Act a person has a disability if he/she 'has a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long-term effect on his/her ability to carry out normal day to day activities.' Do you consider yourself to have a disability?**

- Yes  No

Thank you for your help.

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**Key**

 Development Envelope



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Not to scale

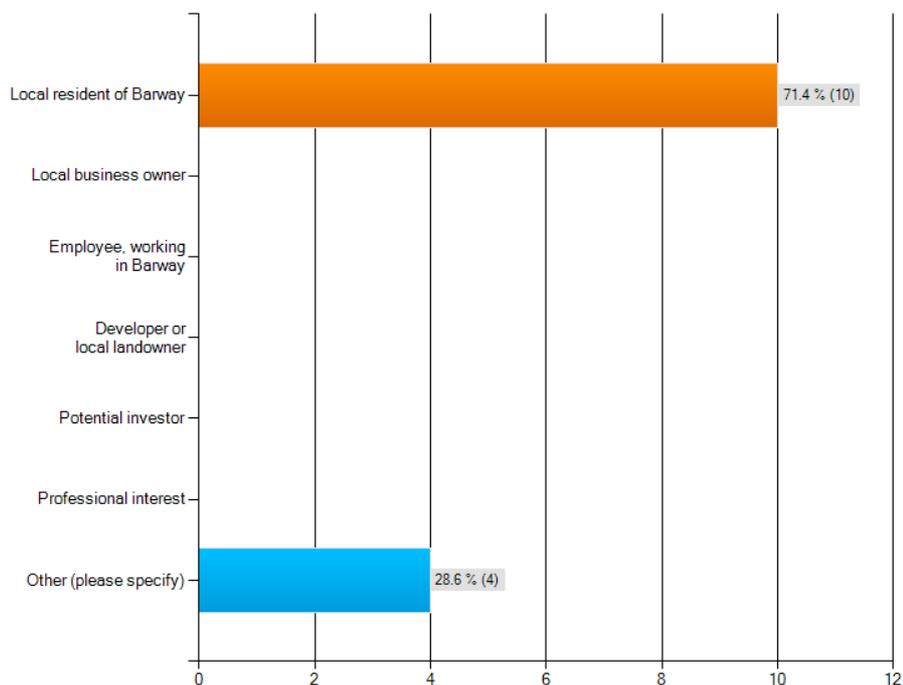
# Barway Village Vision Questionnaire Results

## Key facts:

Consultation period:	27 <sup>th</sup> June – 8 August
Number of questionnaires distributed	49
Total responses:	14
Response rate:	29%

## Summary of Results

### Q3. Please indicate your main interest in the development of Barway



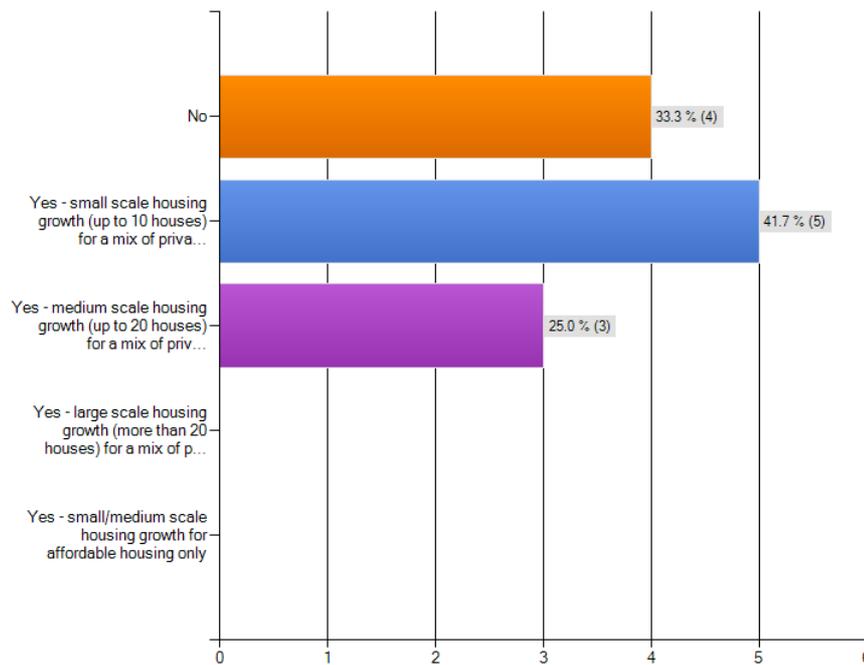
A total of 14 people responded to this question, with 71.4% of respondents stating that their main interest in the development of Barway was as a local resident. Of the four 'other' respondents, their interests were listed as:

- Local business owner + developer + potential investor + professional interest
- Local resident of Barway + local business owner + developer and local landowner + potential investor
- Local resident of Barway + local business owner + developer or local landowner + potential investor
- Chair of Soham Town Council, and previous member of the Barway Village Hall Committee

### Q4. How would you like to see the village/parish change or improve in the future? Please list your top 3 priorities below:

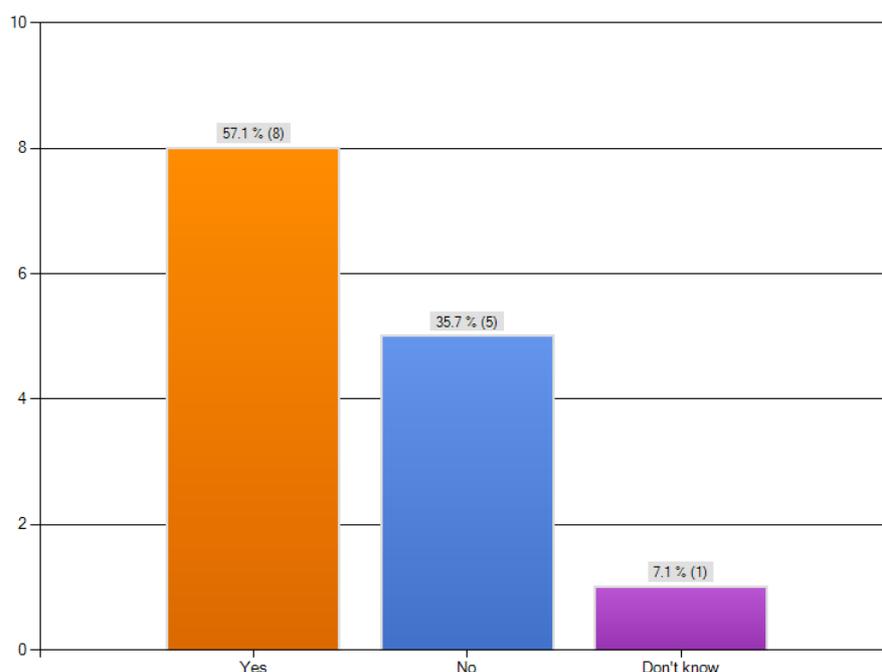
A total of 13 people responded to this question. Key priorities identified by the respondents included: provision of a village name sign by the road, sympathetic, limited housing development, speed restrictions on access road into the village, more housing, connection to the mains sewerage, removal of the bus company – inappropriate for the village and its access roads, more residents for a better community, no change, better connections to Soham itself, retention of Barway as a village, traffic lights, and improved signage to Barway on the A142 junction, better broadband internet, no increase in LGV traffic, increased road maintenance, and road widening from the Shropshire's factory into the village.

**Q5. Do you think there should be housing growth outside the development envelope on the edge of Barway? Please choose one of the following options:**



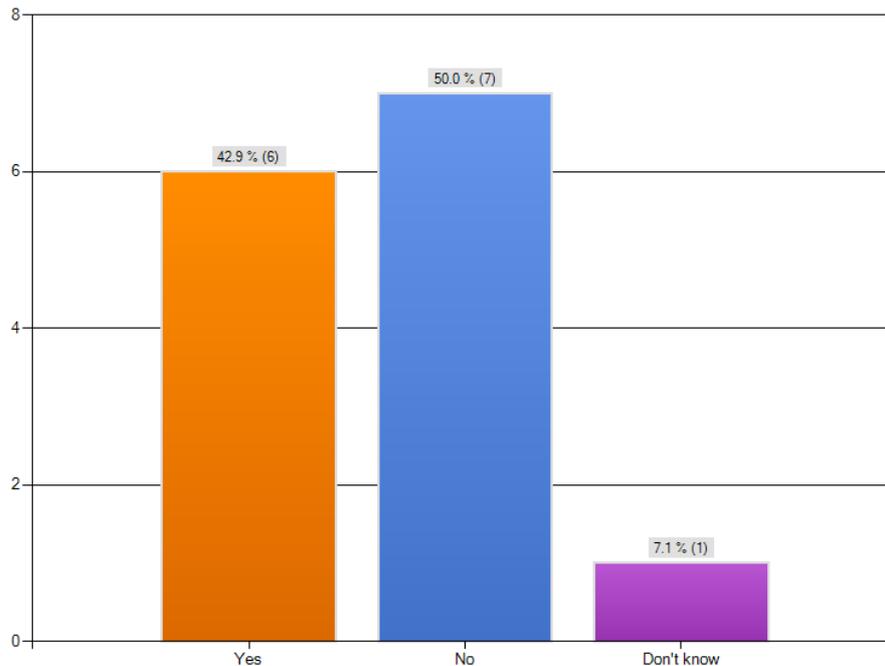
A total of 12 people responded to this question, with 2 people choosing not to answer. The majority of respondents (66.7%) were in support of an element of housing growth within the village, with 5 people (41.7%) supporting small scale housing development for a mix of private and affordable housing and 3 people (25%) in favour of medium scale housing growth for a mix of private and affordable housing. There was no support for large scale housing growth, or for small/medium growth for affordable housing developments only.

**Q6. Housing development will continue to come forward on small sites within the development envelope of the village. However, schemes are currently limited to a maximum of 2 dwellings. Do you think this approach should continue?**



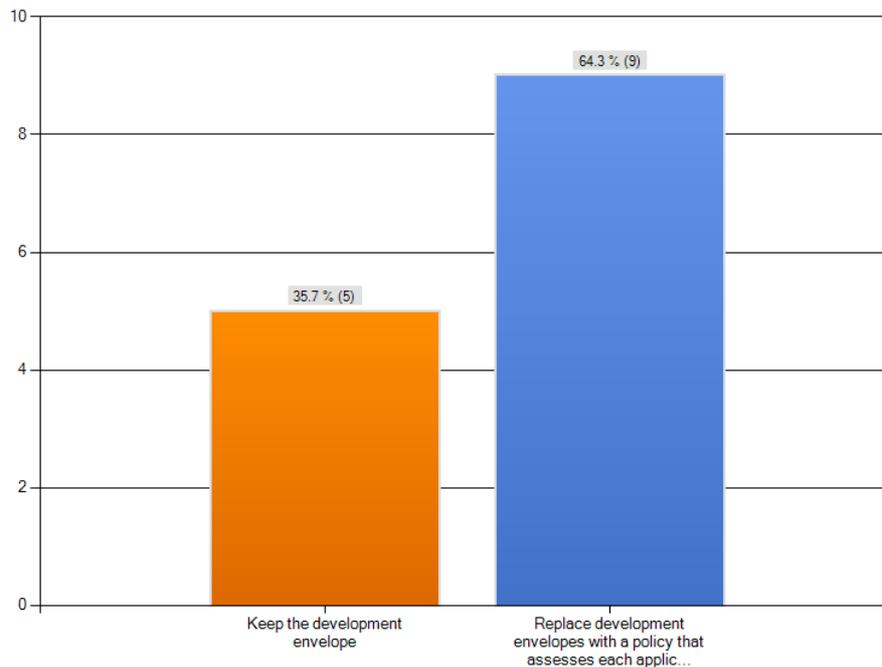
A total of 14 people responded to this question, with the majority of respondents (57.1%) in agreement that the current approach should continue. Approximately 36% disagreed, whilst one respondent (7.1%) did not know. In response to asking for alternative approaches, it was suggested that only small developments should be allowed, that more dwellings should be allowed and that the development envelope should be widened. Two respondents raised issue with the drainage and road infrastructure in the village whilst one commented that more permanent residents were needed.

**Q7. Would you like to see more opportunities for small businesses in the village/parish? (e.g. offices, industrial units, workshops).**



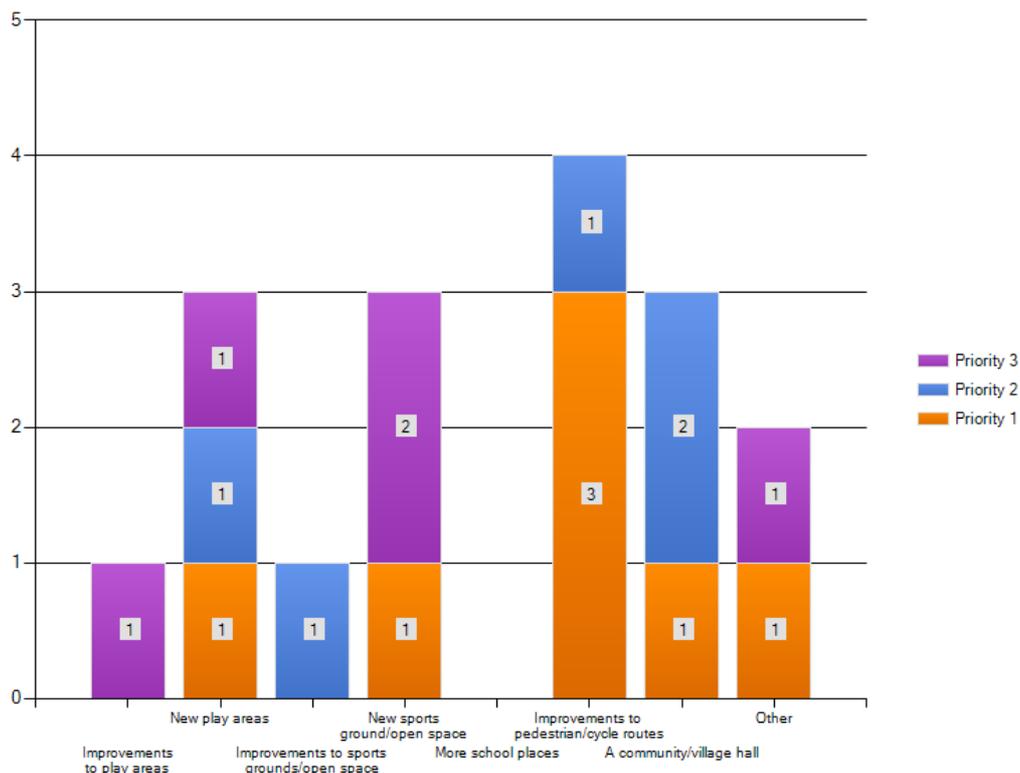
A total of 14 people responded to this question. Responses were evenly split, with half of the respondents (50%) opposed to seeing more opportunities for small businesses in the village/parish, and 42.9% of respondents in support of the proposal. One respondent (7.1%) was unsure.

**Q8. The development envelope marks the built up area of the village where development is normally allowed to take place. The area outside the development envelope is protected as open countryside. Which of the following approaches would you prefer?**



A total of 14 people responded to this question, with the majority of respondents (64.3%) stating their preference would be to replace the development envelope with a policy that assesses each application on its merits.

**Q9. The District Council can secure funds from developers to spend on improving local infrastructure and facilities. If new development comes forward in the village, what benefits would you like to see? Please select your top 3 priorities from the list:**



A total of 7 people responded to this question, with 7 people choosing not to answer. Overall, the need for improvements to pedestrian/cycle routes and a community/village hall scored most highly (4 people), followed by new sports ground/open space (3 people), a community/village hall (3 people) and new play areas (3 people).

Other infrastructure priorities suggested included mains sewerage and better broadband connectivity, road widening, a seat on the green, an improved bus service, retention of the rural environment and a small convenience store.

**Q10. For the priorities you have selected in Question 9 above, can you provide more detail on what these improvements should be and where they should be located?**

A total of 8 people responded to this question, which raised the following infrastructure issues:

- Need to encourage cycling
- The locked gates that prevent access to public rights of way should be removed – signs that have been removed should be replaced
- Cycle tracks should be better surfaced and landowners should be encouraged not to gate them
- A village hall could be provided on the land that was used previously
- Need for mains sewerage
- Improved broadband connectivity and access
- Need community facilities for young/old
- Provision of a small play area, as part of an open space, with seats, and perhaps a rain shelter, which could also be used and appreciated perhaps as a picnic/resting place, by the many cyclists who pass through the village using the NCN cycle route 11.
- Provision of an information board detailing history of the area and details of wildlife to look out for.

**Q11. The Parish Council believes that a Community Trust was set up for the purposes of building a village hall in the 1990's. The Parish Council is attempting to trace the original Trustees and would welcome any information that residents may have regarding this. Please provide any details below:**

- I was on the committee along with Mr Gordon Ashby-Harris, Mrs Chapman and Mr Drain. For several years they tried to get the village hall up and running but the planning permission for improvements was refused, grants were applied for but again refused. The village had to pay liability insurance for the building, as no funds were coming in the hall had to be demolished. They tried to turn the land into a playing field for the village children but the council wouldn't help with the upkeep. Local residents did plant trees and tried to cut the grass but since has stopped.
- The village hall was demolished in the 1990s - there was a committee that was meant to look after the land left. My husband was part of the committee for a time.
- Five members of Soham Parish Council were on the last village hall committee before it was demolished.
- I was a member of the Village Hall committee when the hall was demolished and was instrumental in putting forward plans to turn it into a play area and wildlife garden. I can remember a Lynne Chapman on the committee too.
- One suggestion made at the time was to sell the land where the village hall stood and invest the proceeds setting up a trust to be administered by Barway residents for the welfare and education of residents. At the time this was not a popular idea.

- The village hall plot, which is now a mass of brambles and rubbish, is next door to our bungalow. My grandfather, Asher John Randall, gave the land to the village for the erection of a village hall, which has since been demolished. I think the land, which is no longer used, should be sold as a building plot, and the proceeds of the sale spent on a mains sewerage system on road widening. This would benefit the whole village and any new housing
- I am led to believe that the Trustees were elected to demolish the old hall that was an eyesore

**Q12. Please use this space to make any other comments:**

Three other comments were received that were made in relation to the village hall, which have been included in the list of responses above. One respondent commented on the peace and tranquillity of Barway, bar noise issues relating to teenagers and two respondents raised issues regarding noise levels from the neighbouring coach/bus business. One respondent was also concerned that not all houses in the village received a copy of the questionnaire.

# Barway wants to grow?

East Cambridgeshire District Council and Soham Town Council wants to work with local people to draw up a long-term Vision for Barway.

Our Village Vision survey, carried out over the summer, revealed that many residents would support small-scale housing growth on the edge of the village for up to 10 dwellings – we now need your views on where you feel this growth should take place.

Questionnaires will be delivered to households, however to request additional copies please contact the Forward Planning Team on 01353 665555. Questionnaires should be completed by **12th December 2011** and can be returned by the following methods:

- Online:

[http://www.surveymonkey.com/s\\_barwayvillagevisionoptions](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s_barwayvillagevisionoptions)

- By post: Forward Planning, East Cambridgeshire District Council, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely, CB7 4EE



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## A Vision for Barway

### Barway wants to grow?

East Cambridgeshire District Council and Soham Town Council wants your help in setting out how Barway should change and develop over the next 20 years. The Barway Village Vision will be used to guide decisions on future development and planning applications and will be included in the statutory development plan for East Cambridgeshire - known as the 'East Cambridgeshire Local Plan'.

**We need your views:** The Barway Village Vision survey carried out over the summer revealed that many people would support small-scale housing growth on the edge of the village for up to 10 dwellings, for a mix of general market and affordable housing. We now need your views on where you feel this growth should take place.

**How do I comment?** Please let us have your views by answering the questions below. Comments should be made by 12th December 2011. It would help us save resources if you are able to make your response on-line at [www.surveymonkey/s/barwayvillagevisionoptions](http://www.surveymonkey/s/barwayvillagevisionoptions). Or, you can return this completed questionnaire by post to the Forward Planning team at East Cambridgeshire District Council, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely, Cambridgeshire CB7 4EE. There will be a further opportunity to make comments on the draft Vision, which we hope to publish in spring 2012. If you have any questions please call the Forward Planning team on 01353 665555.

Soham Town Council will be discussing the results of this consultation at The Walter Gidney Pavilion, Recreation Ground, Fountain Lane, Soham at 7.15 pm on 9th January 2012. Residents of Barway are welcome to attend this meeting.

Any information that you provide will be used for the purpose of the East Cambridgeshire Local Plan, and processed in accordance with the Data Protection Act.

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<b>Address 2:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Town/City:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>County:</b>	<input type="text"/>
<b>Postcode:</b>	<input type="text"/>

#### 2. Please select whether you would like your details to be added to the Local Plan consultation database, in order to be notified of key stages of production:

- Yes  
 No

#### 3. Please indicate the reason for your interest in the development of Sutton (please tick all that apply):

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local resident of Barway    | <input type="checkbox"/> Agent for local landowner    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local business owner        | <input type="checkbox"/> Developer or local landowner |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employee, working in Barway | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional interest        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)      |   |

## Housing Options

4. If there is support for housing growth on the edge of Barway in the next 20 years, where should this take place? A map of the potential sites can be found at the back of this questionnaire together with a table summarising the opportunities and constraints of each location.

Please rank the sites in order of preference (where 1 is first preference, 2 is second preference, and so on). If you do not support development on a particular site, please select the last column.

	Preference 1	Preference 2	Preference 3	Do not support development here
Land north-east of St. Nicholas (maximum of 5 dwellings)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Land east of The Barn, Randall Farm (maximum of 5 dwellings)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Land east of 5 Barway Road (maximum of 10 dwellings)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

5. Do you know of any other sites that may be appropriate for small-scale housing growth in Barway? Please provide details of the location and landowner (if known):

## Local infrastructure and facilities

6. Land occupied by the former town hall (see map at back) was given to the residents of Barway for community use. If this land was to be redeveloped, what would you most like the land to be used for:

Please rank your preference where 1 is first preference, 2 is second preference, and so on).

	Priority 1	Priority 2	Priority 3	Priority 4	Priority 5
Play area - with seating	<input type="radio"/>				
Community woodland - with seating	<input type="radio"/>				
Reinstate community gardens - with seating	<input type="radio"/>				
A small community room/building	<input type="radio"/>				
A small multi-purpose sports area	<input type="radio"/>				

Other community use (please provide details)

## Additional Comments

**7. Please use this space to outline any other issues that you would like to raise regarding the future of Barway:**

## Monitoring information (optional)

### 8. Sex

- Male  Female

### 9. Status

- Employee  Unemployed  Student  
 Self employed  Homeworker  Retired

### 10. Age

- 0-16 years  40-49  75-84  
 17-24  50-59  85+  
 25-39  60-74

### 11. Ethnic origin

- White British  Chinese  Caribbean  
 White Irish  Indian  Other black background  
 Other white background  Pakistani  Other ethnic group  
 Gypsy / Traveller  Other Asian background  
 Mixed ethnicity  African

**12. Disability: Under the Disability Discrimination Act a person has a disability if he/she 'has a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long-term effect on his/her ability to carry out normal day to day activities.' Do you consider yourself to have a disability?**

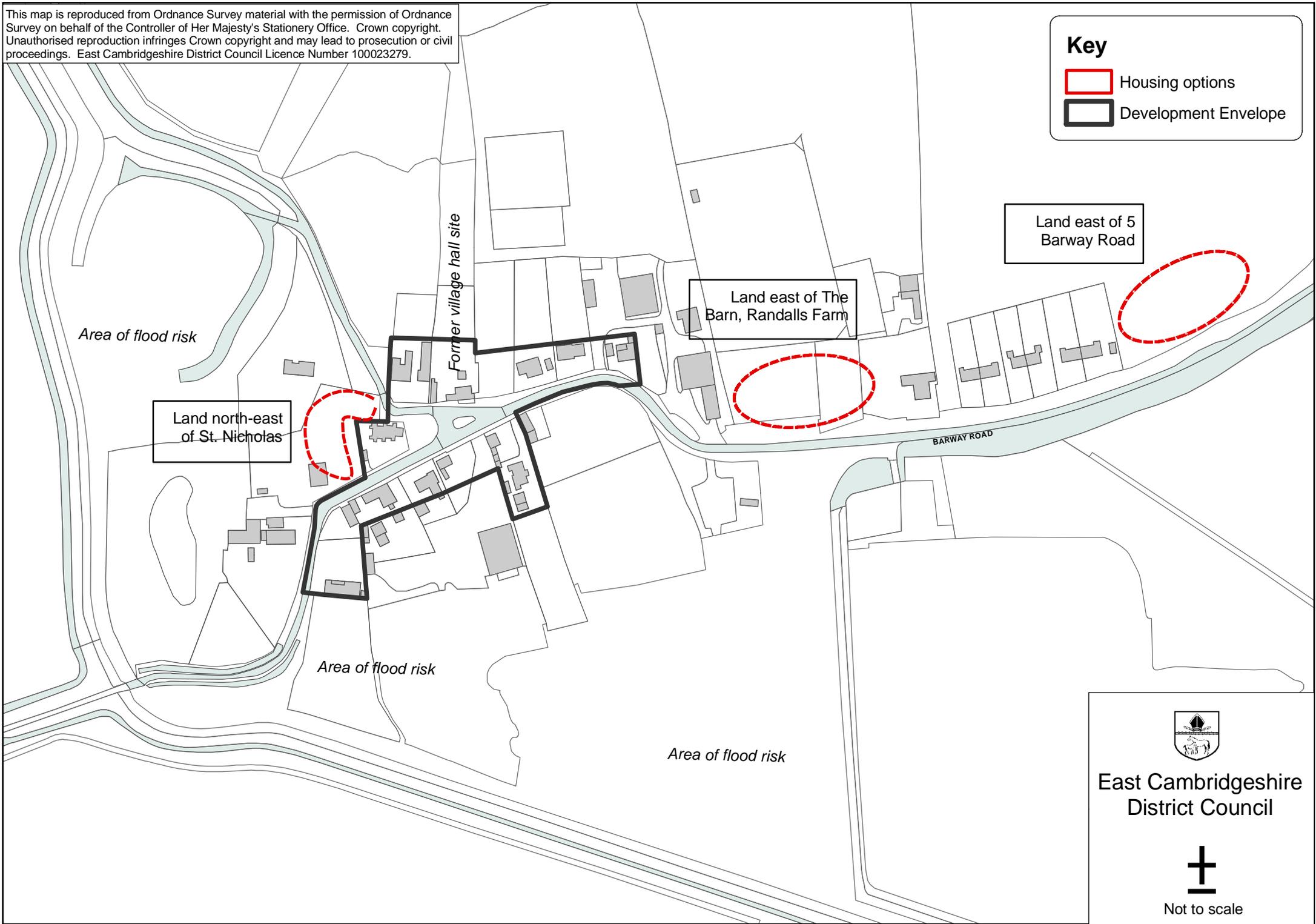
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**Key**

-  Housing options
-  Development Envelope



Land east of 5 Barway Road

Land east of The Barn, Randalls Farm

Land north-east of St. Nicholas

Area of flood risk

Area of flood risk

Area of flood risk



East Cambridgeshire District Council



Not to scale

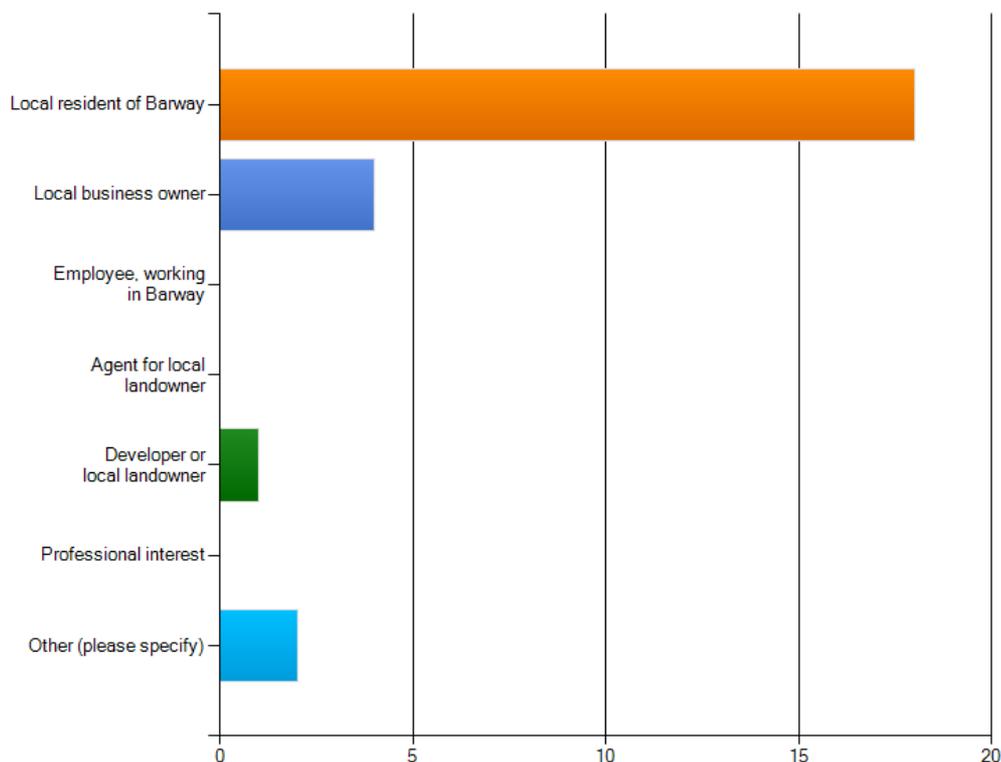
# Barway Village Vision Options Results

## Key facts:

Consultation period:	21 <sup>st</sup> November – 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2011
Number of questionnaires distributed	49
Total responses:	20
Response rate:	41%

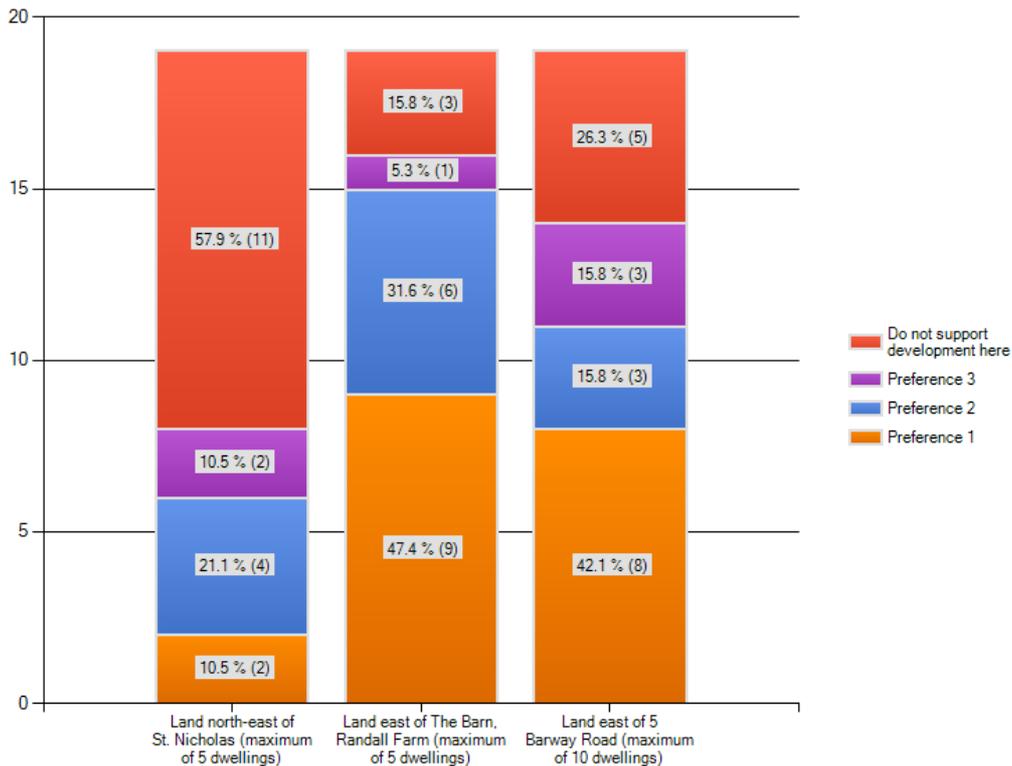
## Summary of Results

### Q3. Please indicate your main interest in the development of Barway



A total of 20 people responded to this question, with 90% of respondents stating that their main interest in the development of Barway was as a local resident. Five responses were received from local business owners, with one from a developer or local landowner and one from the County Council (Strategy department),

**Q4. If there is support for housing growth on the edge of Barway in the next 20 years, where should this take place? Please rank the sites in order of preference (where 1 is first preference, 2 is second preference, and so on). If you do not support development on a particular site, please select the last column.**



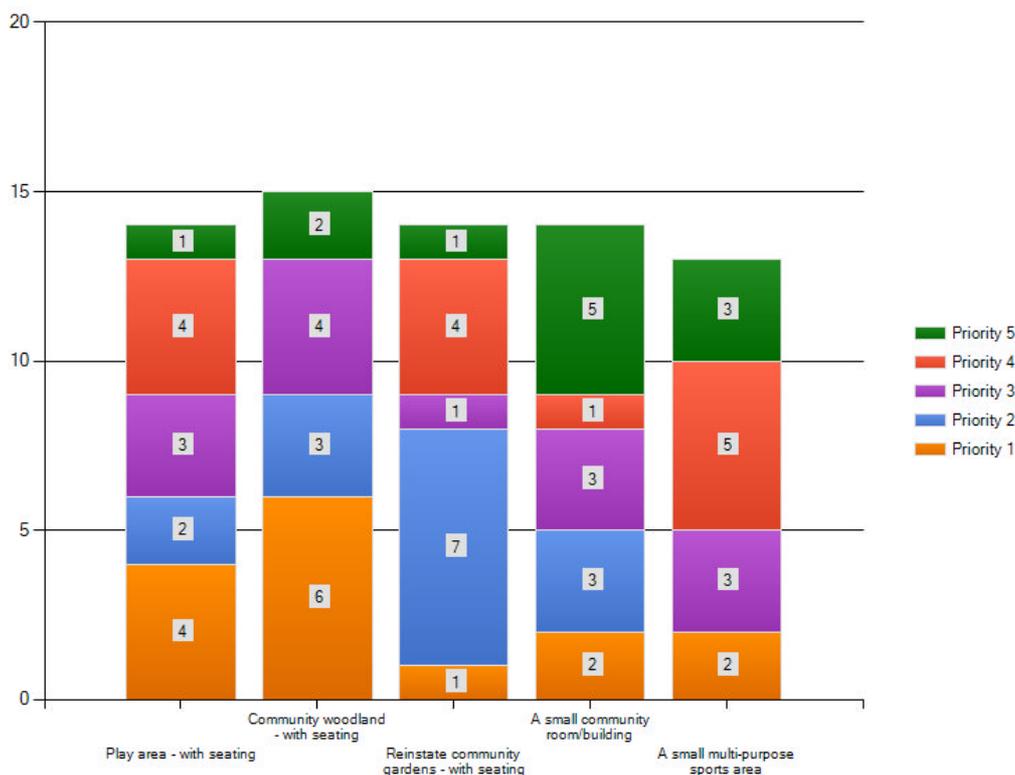
A total of 19 people responded to this question. Of the sites proposed, both land east of the Barn, Randalls Farm (84.2%) and Land east of 5 Barway Road (73.7%) were supported for development by respondents. As land east of the Barn, Randalls Farm can only accommodate up to 5 dwellings it is likely that this and land east of 5 Barway Road will be required for allocation (potentially 5 dwellings each). There was only limited support for the development of land north east of St. Nicholas.

**Q5. Do you know of any other sites that may be appropriate for small-scale housing growth in Barway? Please provide details of the location and landowner (if known):**

Two other sites were proposed for consideration including:

- The coach/bus yard
- The Barn, Randalls Farm

**Q6. Land occupied by the former town hall was given to the residents of Barway for community use. If this land was to be redeveloped, what would you most like the land to be used for: Please rank your preference where 1 is first preference, 2 is second preference, and so on.**



A total of 15 people responded to this question – with the preferred option being to create the former town hall site into a community woodland area with seating.

**Q7. Please use this space to outline any other issues that you would like to raise regarding the future of Barway:**

The following comments were received in response to this question:

- Please see draft comments on file re: primary and secondary education, transport, the natural environment and archaeology.
- I do not believe Barway is suitable for development. The access is too poor and it has no facilities to support an increase in population. Road access is already considered dangerous - even G's acknowledge this each new house built would probably increase traffic by at least two cars. We have no public transport and the water table and drainage in the village are a nightmare. Any development would affect this and cause major damage to listed buildings within the village. I also believe that the only people who are probably interested in expanding the village are those who are set to make financial gain from it.
- Drainage is poor as ever!
- Whilst currently not a huge problem, the bus company currently operating from the centre of Barway is inappropriate for a developing village and the narrow access roads, and especially as one would expect more children in the village once development has taken place.
- Before homes are built the road must be widened and improved from the factory to the village (approx 1/2 mile). Mains sewerage system needed (to stop overflows from cesspits going into my ditch and then on to the river)
- Barway infrastructure is inadequate for development. There is no mains drainage, no shop/post office or bus route. The police do not visit or make sure the residents know who their local policeman is. The road is in a poor state of repair and with more traffic only become worse. The broadband is very slow and there is no mains gas.

- Our water level is very high. Any other development would cause grave concern due to septic tank water levels. Already - in the village a 'new build' has caused my neighbour severe problems with water drainage.
- The national cycle route (NCN11) passes through Barway. We think it is important to bear in mind that Barway has more 'through traffic', some of which will be tourists, than people might expect. So the way the village looks will have an effect on the opinion people take away from East Cambs. This applies, for example, to the state of the roads and verges. There may even be potential for a small tourism based enterprise? (In sensitive keeping with the locality of course!)
- Any future developments should include parking on-site. i.e. not on the kerbsides as at present
- If there is going to be more housing in the village the road into the village needs to be improved and maintained to a better standard than it is currently. As a motorcycle rider I find the condition of the road surface to be quite dangerous. Also if yet more traffic is to be expected then the junction where the Barway Road meets the A142 needs some serious consideration as currently it is quite dangerous and a higher volume of traffic can only make it more so.
- Barway is not a sustainable location for new development. Vehicular access is already strained. Development should be concentrated where there are existing shops, infrastructure and services to support new houses.
- No public transport - a bus once a week would be good Vehicles not keeping to speed limit Seats on village
- Connection to main line sewage to replace septic tanks
- If there is to be ANY development then the junction of Barway Road and the A142 MUST be sorted. This would best be sorted with sensor Traffic lights so that when traffic comes from Barway to the junction with A142 the lights stop the traffic on the main road. There are numerous accidents at this junction often not reported! A resident of Barway was involved in an accident pulling out of this Junction a couple of months ago.
- Any development must be preceded with mains sewage system installed, to bring the village up to health and safety standards.
- Business and other traffic travelling at speed through the village speed limit does not cover the whole of the village - very dangerous corner at the start of the village no public transport at any time for elderly /young / non drivers no provision for residents to enter or exit the village when essential repairs take place on level crossing safe cycle track to Soham would be of benefit especially for the young
- I have been involved in trying to ensure that mains sewage is brought to the village and believe it is part of Anglian Water's business plan for the 2012-2013. Further housing would require this to be implemented. The sewage issue is extremely important to those of us whose housing is on clay and finger drains etc are ineffective.