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A Vision for Kirtling and Upend

Have your say on the future of the Parish of Kirtling and Upend

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What do you think? We want your views on how Kirtling and Upend should change in the future. What sort of places would you like Kirtling and Upend to be? What are your priorities for your village and the wider Parish? Your views will help us to form a long-term vision which sets out how Kirtling and Upend 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? Please let us have your views by answering the questions below. Comments should be made from **27 June - 1 August 2011** and respondents are encouraged to fill in the questionnaire online at: www.eastcambs.gov.uk/local-development-framework/kirtling-and-upend-village-visions. Paper copies should be returned to Forward Planning, East Cambridgeshire District Council, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely, Cambridgeshire, CB7 4EE, or handed to one of your Parish Councillors. 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.

Message from the Parish Council: The Parish Council is keen for as many Kirtling and Upend residents as possible to have their say, and would encourage you to complete and return the questionnaire.

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:

Name:	<input type="text"/>
Company (if applicable):	<input type="text"/>
Email address (optional):	<input type="text"/>
Address:	<input type="text"/>
Village:	<input type="text"/>
Postcode:	<input type="text"/>
Phone Number (optional):	<input type="text"/>

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 Kirtling or Upend:

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

4. How would you like to see the village(s)/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 Kirtling (outside the current development envelope)?

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. as 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)
- Yes - small/medium scale housing growth for affordable housing only (e.g. as provided by Sanctuary Hereward)

6. Housing development may come forward on small sites within Kirtling, 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?

7. Upend currently has no development envelope and is classified as 'countryside' where development is strictly controlled and limited to exceptions such as affordable housing and replacement dwellings.

What approach would you like to see in the future?

- Continue the current policy
- Allow small scale development (1 or 2 dwellings) within the built-up part of the village
- Other

If you answered 'Other', please give details below:

Employment

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

- Yes No Don't know

Development envelope

9. The development envelope for Kirtling (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. Please note that there is no development envelope for Upend.

Which of the following approaches would you prefer?

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

Local infrastructure and facilities

10. The District Council can secure funds from developers to spend on improving local infrastructure and facilities. If new development comes forward in Kirtling 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"/>
Improvements to the community/village hall	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Traffic calming/Highway improvements	<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

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

12. The District Council can secure funds from developers to spend on improving local infrastructure and facilities. If new development comes forward in Upend, 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"/>
Improvements to the community/village hall	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Traffic calming/Highway improvements	<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

13. For the priorities that you have selected in Question 12 above, can you provide more detail on what these improvements should be, and where they should be located?

14. Please use this space to make any other comments:

Monitoring Information (Optional)

You don't have to answer this section but it would be useful if you could provide the following information about yourself:

15. Sex

- Male
- Female

16. Status

- Employee
- Self-employed
- Unemployed
- Homeworker
- Student
- Retired

17. Age

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

18. Ethnic origin

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

19. 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?

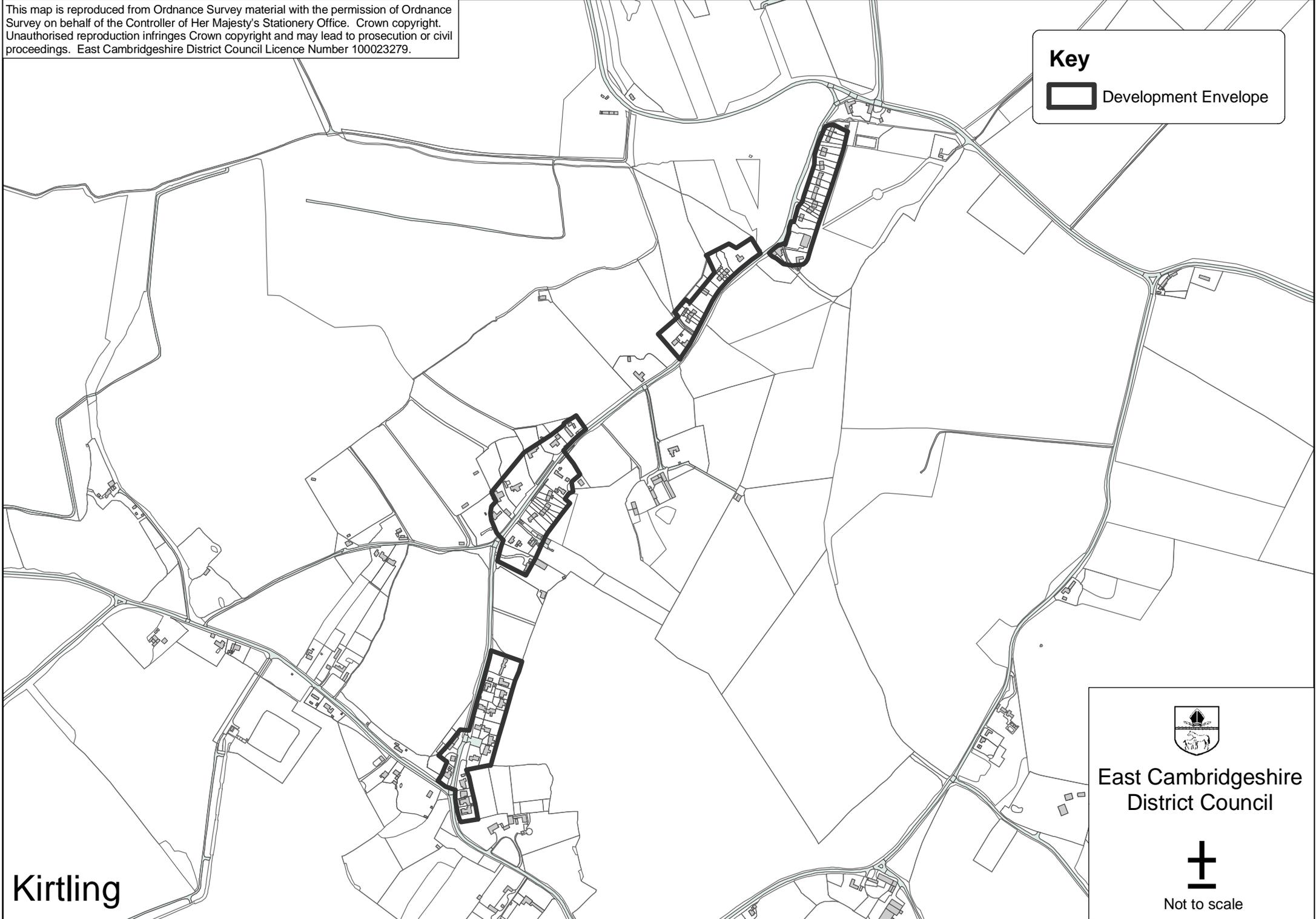
- Yes
- No

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Key

 Development Envelope



Kirtling

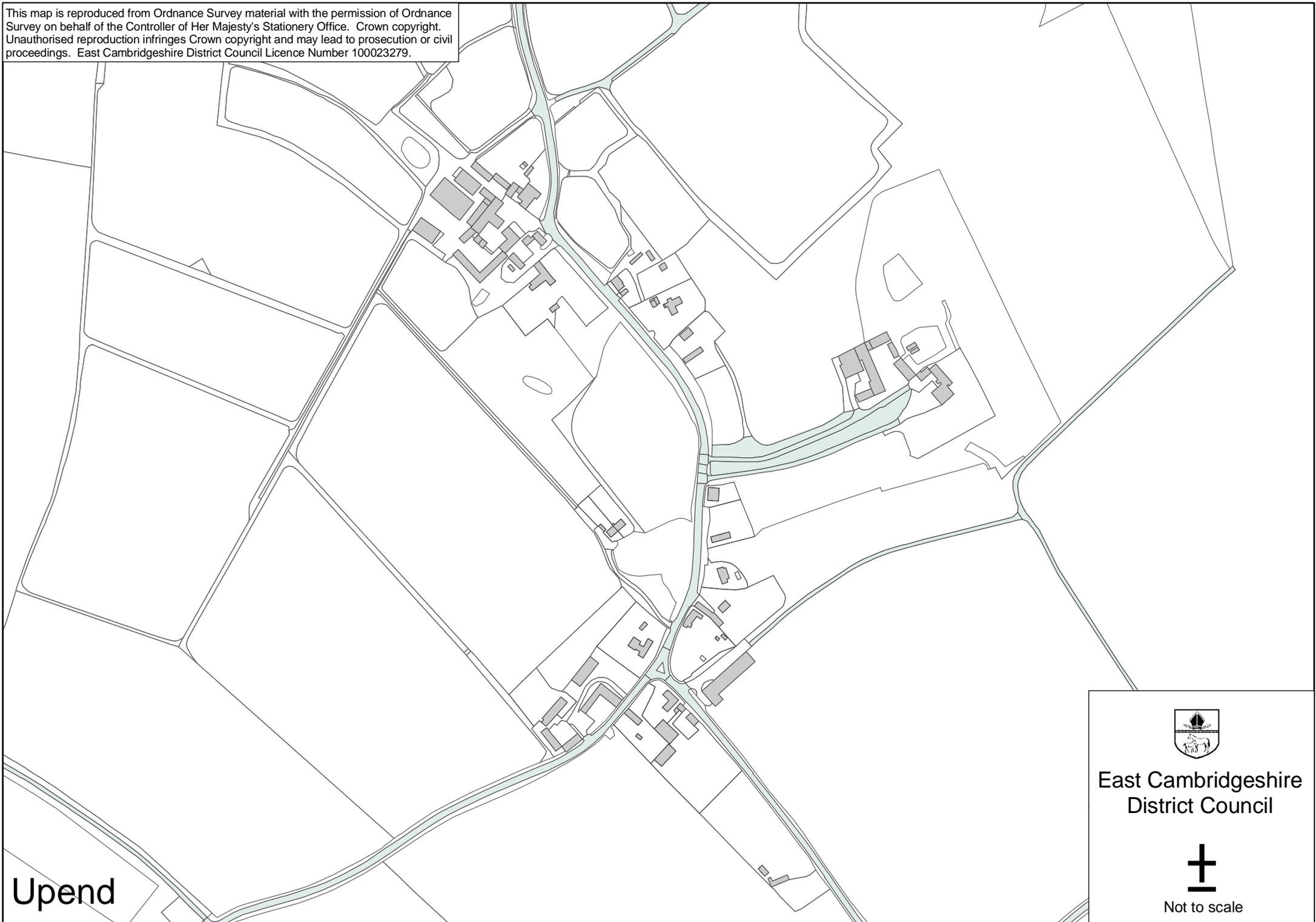


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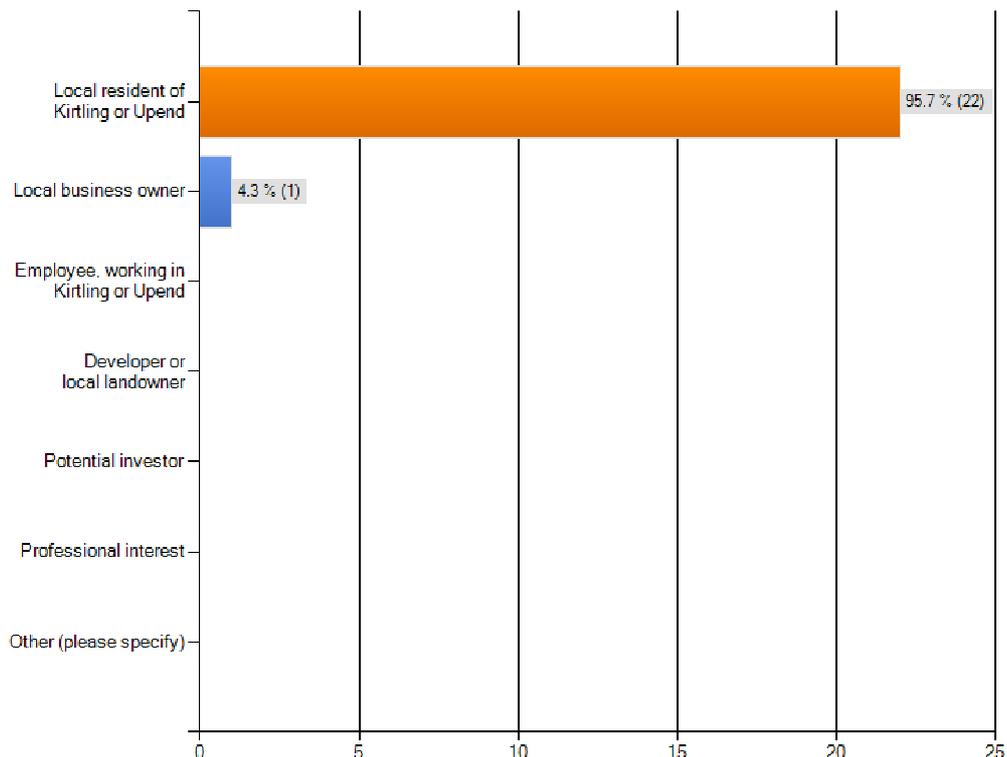
Kirtling Village Vision Questionnaire Results

Key facts:

Consultation period:	27 th June – 18 th July 2011
Total responses:	23
Number of dwellings in the village:	160
Response rate:	14%

Summary of Results

Q3. Please indicate the main reason for your interest in the development of Kirtling or Upend:

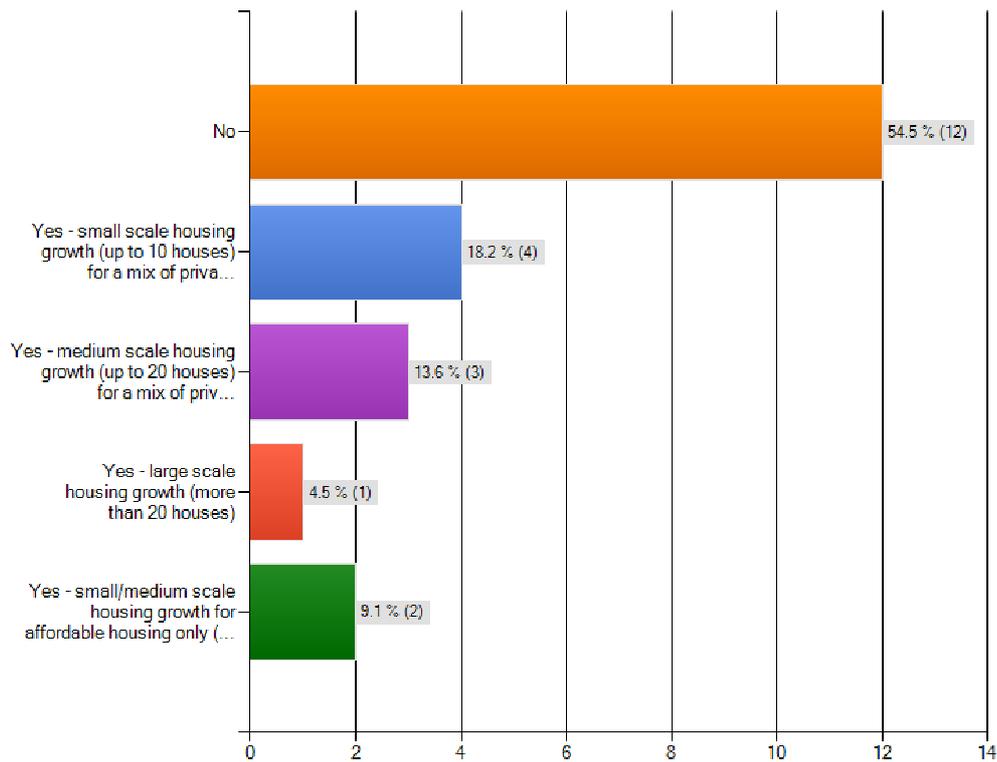


A total of 23 people responded to this question with 95.7% of respondents stating that their main interest in the development of Kirtling or Upend was as a local resident. One response was received from a local business owner. Of the 23 respondents, 18 people were from Kirtling and 5 from Upend.

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 18 people responded to this question. Key priorities identified by the respondents included: repairing the road to Lidgate, keeping the village as it is, a reduced 30 mph speed limit with electronic warning signs, greater community involvement, better public transport, more maintenance of pavements, less traffic through Upend, a survey of residents regarding buses/transport, provision of a shop/post office, linked off-road bridleways, a play area, improved internet access, more small affordable houses, hedge trimming beside pavements, no new building, more care and assistance for the elderly, a second pub (The Street end), easier access to information about village developments, respect for residents living in the village, growth to support businesses and facilities, provision of sports facilities and more work opportunities.

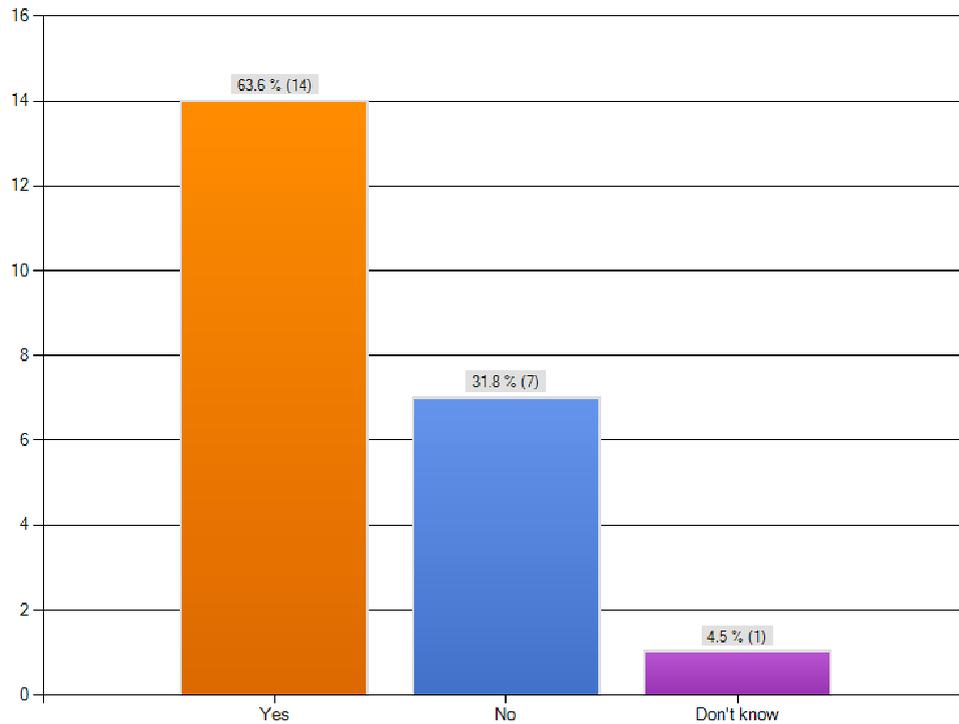
**Q5. Do you think there should be housing growth on the edge of Kirtling?
Please choose one of the following options:**



A total of 22 people responded to this question. Responses were fairly evenly split, with a slight of respondents (54.5%) indicating that housing growth should not be allowed outside the development envelope on the edge of Kirtling. Approximately 45% of respondents were supportive of growth on the edge of the village, with highest support in favour of small scale housing growth (18.2%), followed by medium scale housing growth (13.6%), small/medium scale development for affordable housing only (9.1%) and large scale housing growth (4.5%).

Of the respondents actually living in Kirtling, 9 people (50%) selected no growth, 5 people (27.5%) selected small-scale growth for a mix of housing, 3 people (16.5%) selected medium scale growth for a mix of housing, and 1 person (6%) selected large-scale housing growth.

Q6. Housing development may come forward on small sites within Kirtling, 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?

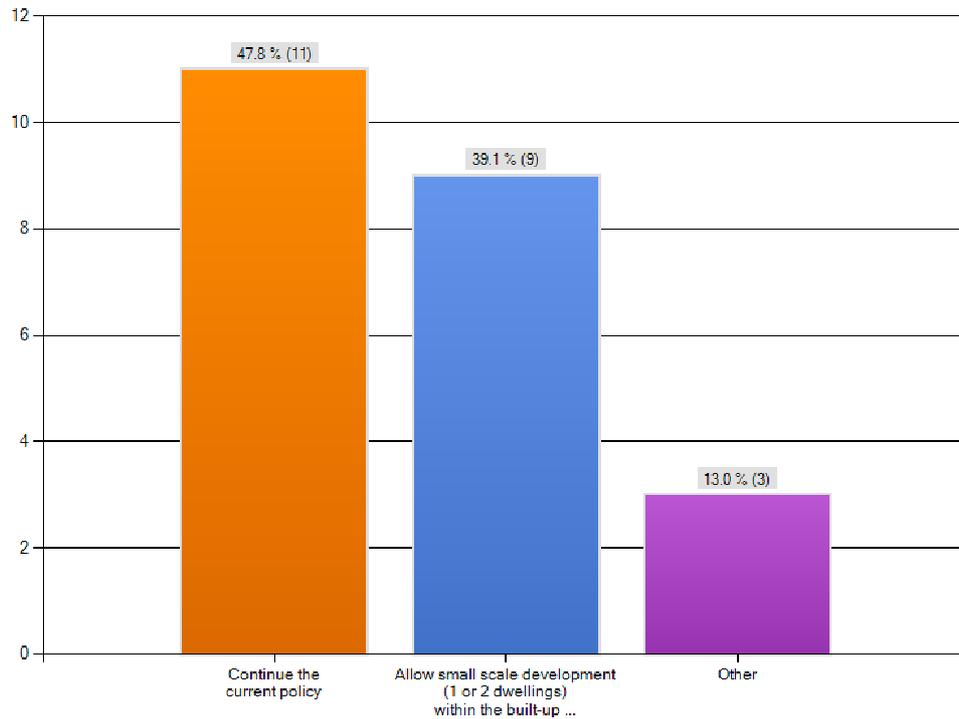


Of the 22 people that responded to this question, the majority (63.6%) agreed that the current approach to in-fill development should continue. From the respondents who disagreed (31.8%), the following comments were received:

- No further building of housing at all
- Allow schemes for up to 5 houses
- Allow sites that are within the development envelope, and served by public transport, to be developed according to their size and not restricted at 2 dwellings.
- Larger developments should be allowed for elderly or sheltered housing schemes
- The essential character of the village should be maintained, whilst allowing development that fits that character.
- Have several medium scale developments, high quality (as in Woodditton) so the village is architecturally appealing.

Of the respondents actually living in Kirtling, 10 people (55%) agreed with the current in-fill policy, 7 people disagreed (39%), and 1 person (6%) did not know.

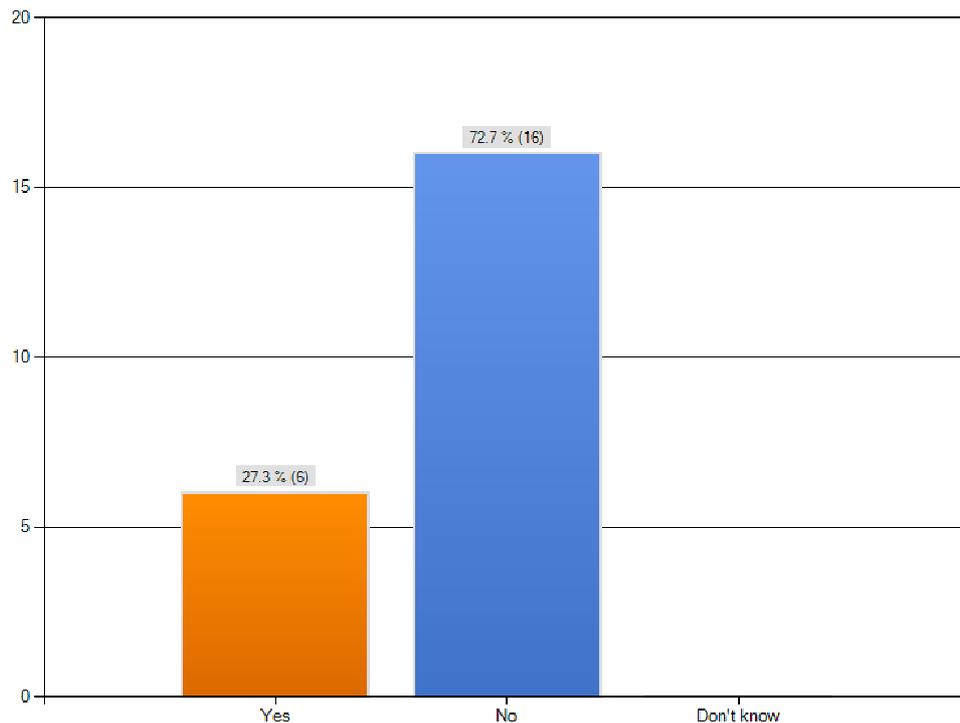
Q7. Upend currently has no development envelope and is classified as 'countryside' where development is strictly controlled and limited to exceptions such as affordable housing and replacement dwellings. What approach would you like to see in the future?



A total of 23 people responded to this question, with the majority (47.8%) in support of Upend retaining its current policy status. Limited support was shown for allowing small-scale development of 1 or 2 dwellings (39.1%) while a number of other suggestions were received. Other suggestions included: leaving Upend as it is, creating a development envelope, and ensuring that essential character of the village is maintained, whilst allowing development to take place that fits that character.

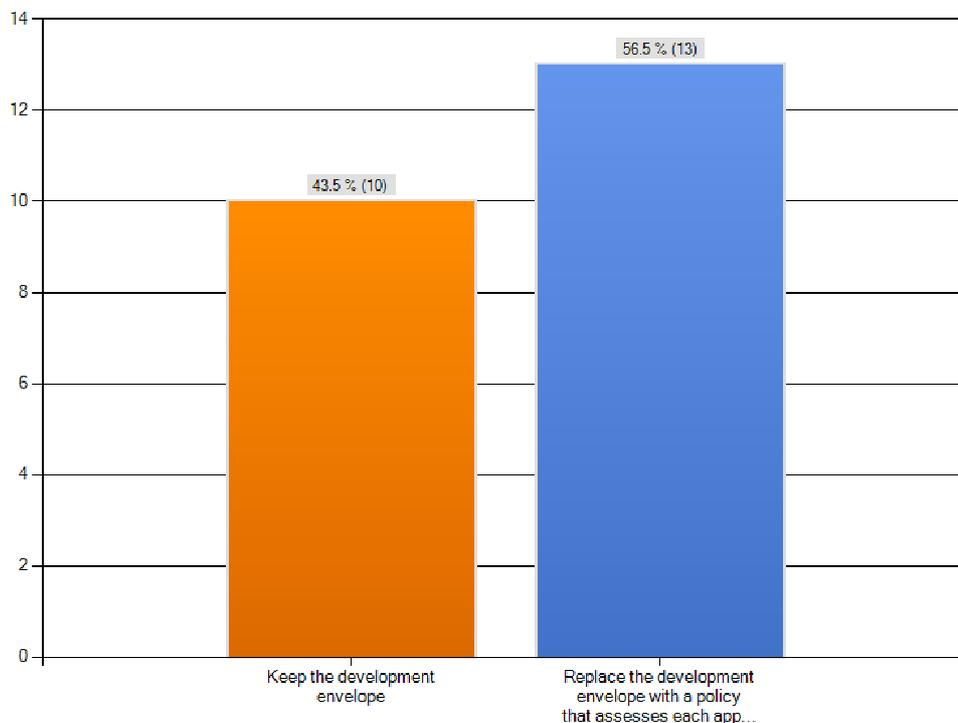
Of the respondents actually living in Upend, 3 respondents (60%) supported continuation of the current policy, whilst two (40%) thought that small scale development (1 or 2 dwellings) should be allowed within the built-up area of the village.

Q8. Would you like to see more opportunities for small businesses in the parish? (e.g. offices, industrial units, workshops).



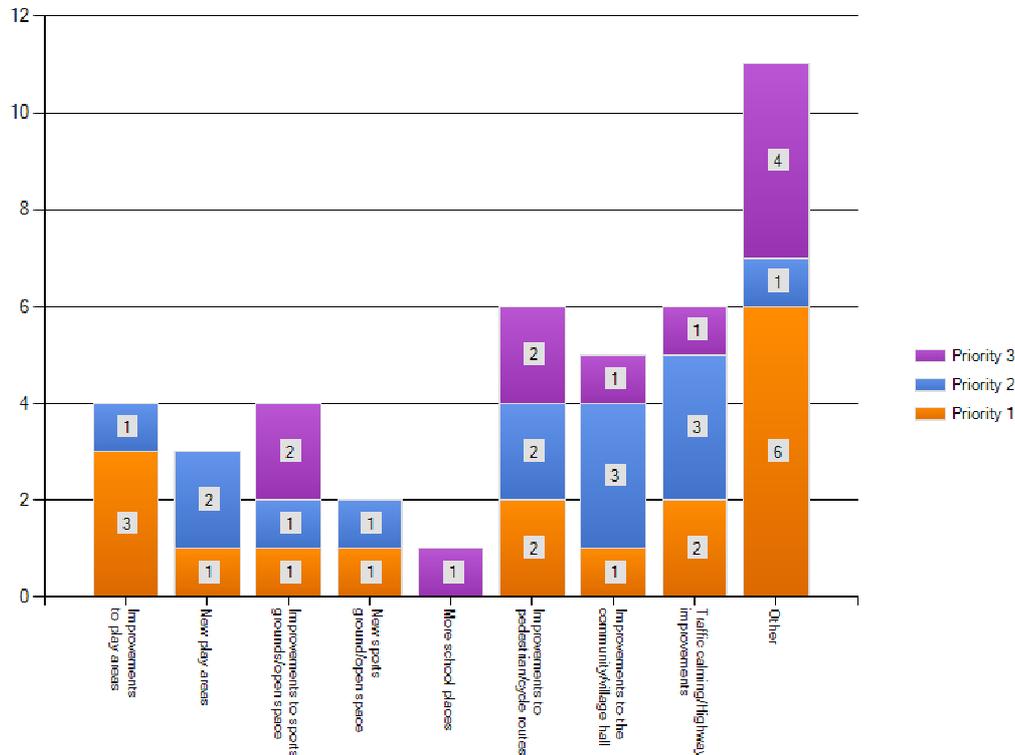
A total of 22 people responded to this question, with the majority (72.7%) opposed to seeing more opportunities for small businesses in the parish.

Q9. 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 23 people responded to this question, with a slight majority (56.5%) in favour of replacing the development envelope with a policy that assesses each application on its merits.

Q10. The District Council can secure funds from developers to spend on improving local infrastructure and facilities. If new development comes forward in Kirtling what benefits would you like to see? Please select your top 3 priorities from the list:



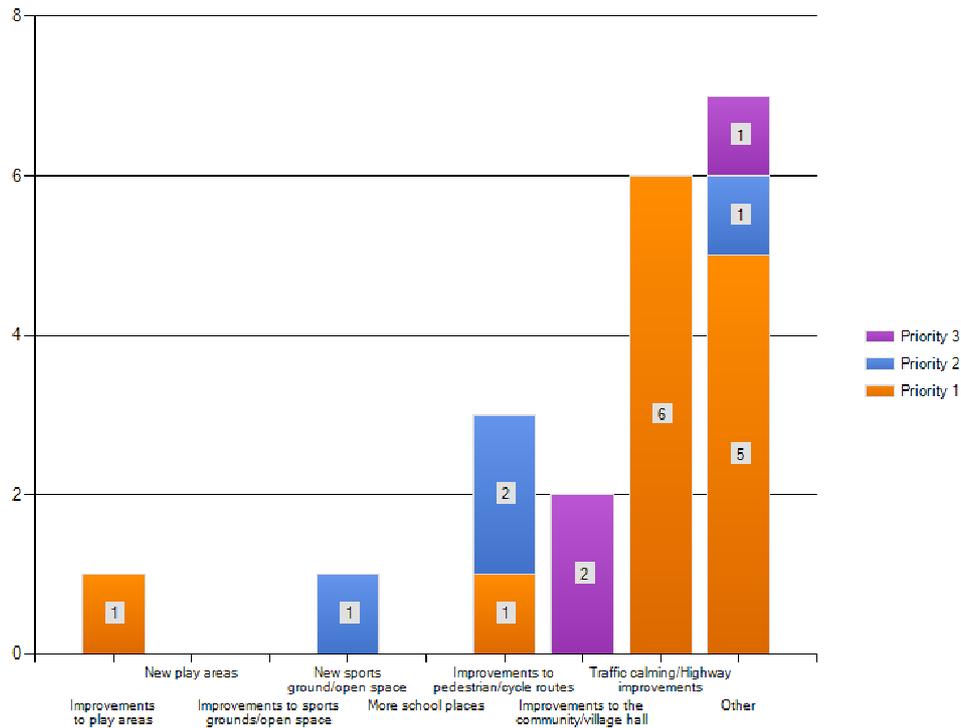
A total of 18 people responded to this question, with 5 people choosing not to answer. Overall, the option for 'other' scored most highly (11 people), followed by improvements to pedestrian/cycle routes (6 people) and traffic calming/highway improvements (6 people). Of the people that selected other, the following benefits were listed:

- New pedestrian signs
- Better broadband and mobile telephone reception
- New sports facilities and extension of the existing cricket ground
- Speed reduction through villages
- Better drainage
- A village shop/general store
- Sheltered accommodation in Kirtling
- Highway improvements NOT traffic calming

Q11. For the priorities that you have selected in Question 10 above, can you provide more detail on what these improvements should be, and where they should be located?

A total of 16 people responded to this question, which raised the need for: speed restrictions in the village, new play areas, new sports facilities, activities for the young and old, the joining up of bridleways and off-road riding access, additional play equipment, faster broadband or a village wide wireless network, a shop in the centre of the village, resurfaced village car park, roads and footpaths. Other comments suggested that the village did not need any improvements and that they should be retained/protected as they are.

Q12. The District Council can secure funds from developers to spend on improving local infrastructure and facilities. If new development comes forward in Upend, what benefits would you like to see? Please select your top 3 priorities from the list:



A total of 13 people answered this question, with ten people choosing not to answer. Overall, the option for 'other' scored most highly (7 people), followed by traffic calming/highway improvements (6 people) and improvements to pedestrian/cycle routes (3 people). Of the people that selected other, faster broadband and a reduced speed limit was suggested. Several respondents also thought that Upend should be protected and retained as it is.

Q13. For the priorities you have selected in Question 12 above, can you provide more detail on what these improvements should be and where they should be located?

A total of 7 people responded to this question, which raised the need for: speed restrictions in the village, proper gritting in the winter, faster broadband or a village wide wireless network. Other comments considered that the villages did not need any improvements, whilst another thought that there was no land to provide any of the infrastructure benefits suggested. It was also suggested that it might be difficult to provide locations for future improvements due to much of the land around the village being in private ownership.

Q14. Please use this space to make any other comments:

A total of 3 people provided a response to this question making the following comments:

- Further road maintenance is required on the Kirtling to Woodditton Road
- The expansion of grazing areas has been detrimental to farming – further grazing land should not be encouraged
- New build in upend would only be by developers – infill and new build creates urban sprawl
- It would be a shame to change the look/feel of Kirtling/upend. It should be maintained at all costs.