

Reach

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- What do you want to protect?
- What facilities would you like to see?

East Cambridgeshire District Council wants to work with you to produce a 'Vision' for your village.

Questionnaires for each village can be viewed on the District Council's website at www.eastcambs.gov.uk/local-development-framework/consultation-villagetown-visions; or paper copies can be obtained by phoning the Forward Planning team on 01353 665555.

The consultation period runs from 27 June - 18 July.

Background documents relating to the review can also be found on the website.



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A Vision for Reach

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What do you think? We want your views on how Reach should change in the future. What sort of place would you like Reach 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 Reach 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? 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

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. 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:

Name:	<input type="text"/>
Company:	<input type="text"/>
Email address:	<input type="text"/>
Address 1:	<input type="text"/>
Address 2:	<input type="text"/>
Town/City:	<input type="text"/>
County:	<input type="text"/>
Postcode:	<input type="text"/>
Phone Number:	<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 Reach:

- Local resident of Reach Developer or local landowner
 Local business owner Potential investor
 Employee, working in Reach 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 Reach?

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
- No
- Don't know

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

Local infrastructure and facilities

9. If new development comes forward in the parish, the District Council can secure funds from developers to spend on improving local infrastructure. 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"/>
Transport/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

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. 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:

12. Sex

- Male Female

13. Status

- Employee Unemployed Student
 Self-employed Homemaker Retired

14. Age

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

15. 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

16. 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?

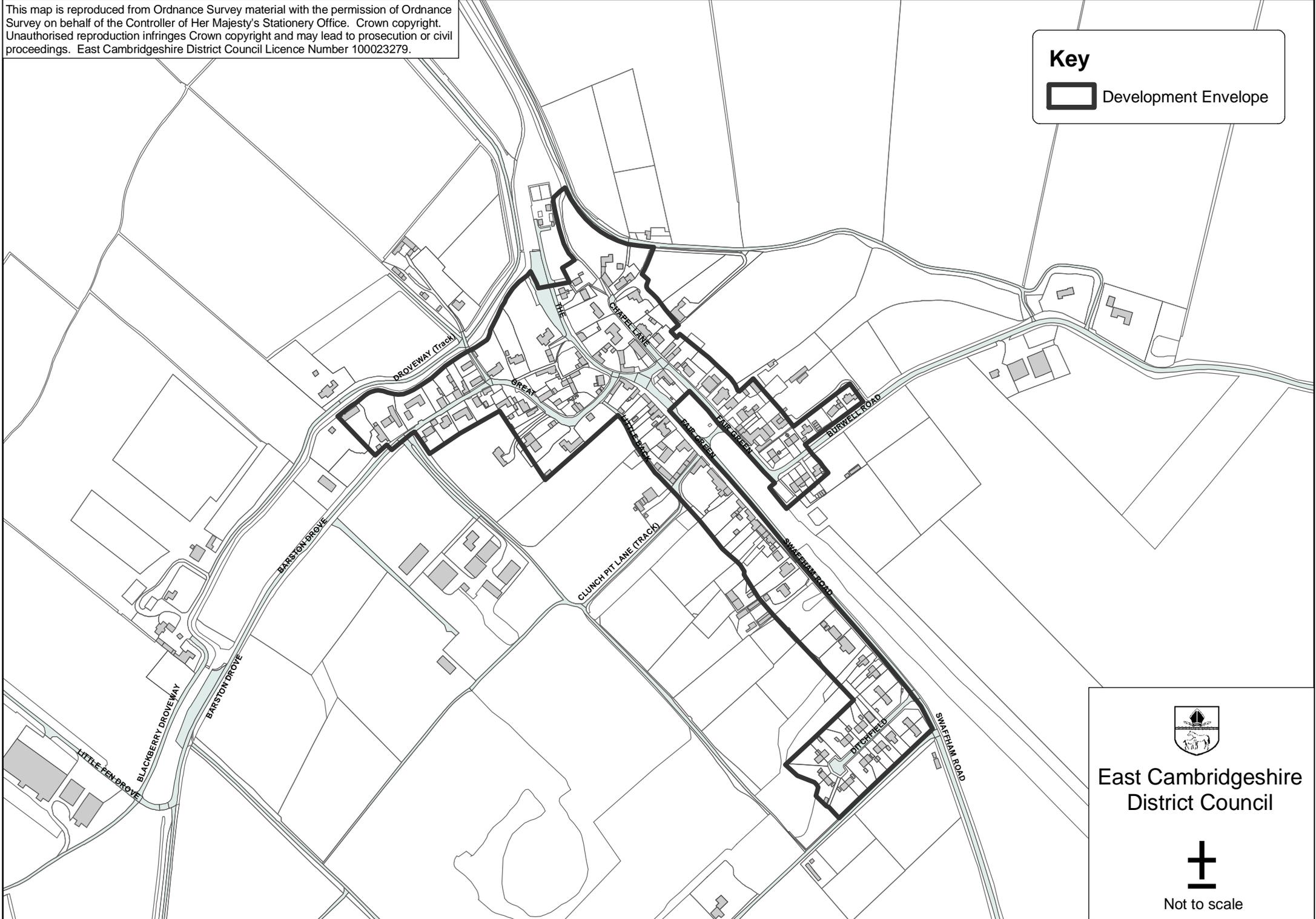
- Yes No

Thank you for your help.

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Key

 Development Envelope




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Not to scale

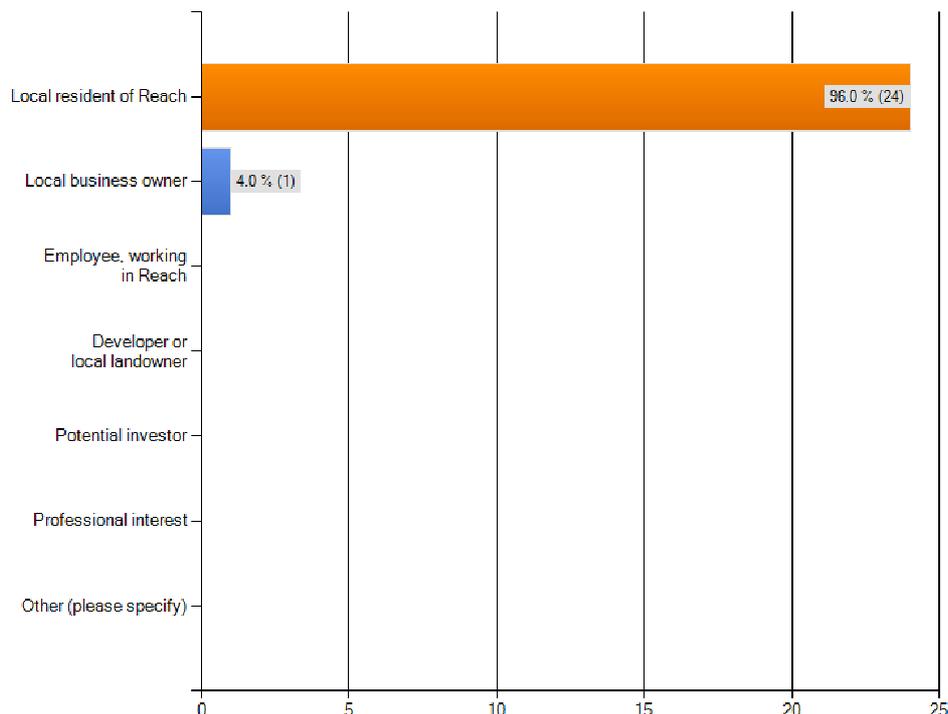
Reach Village Vision Questionnaire Results

Key facts:

Consultation period:	27 th June – 18 th July 2011
Total responses:	25
Number of dwellings in the village:	140
Response rate:	18%

Summary of Results

Q3. Please indicate the main reason for your interest in the development of Reach:

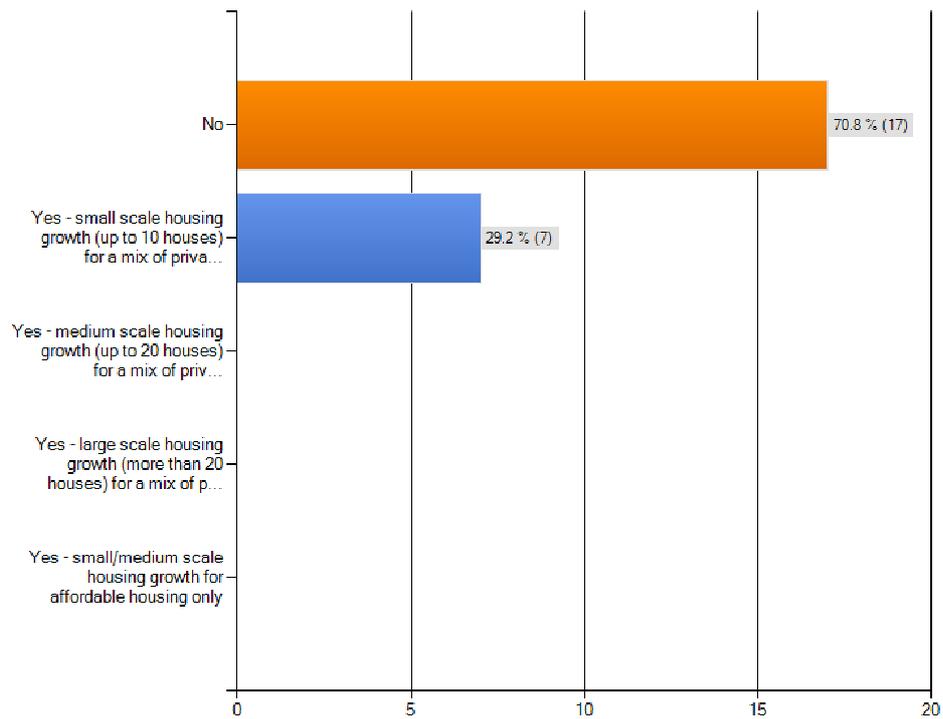


A total of 25 people responded to this question with 96% of respondents stating that their main interest in the development of Reach was as a local resident. One response was received from a local business owner.

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

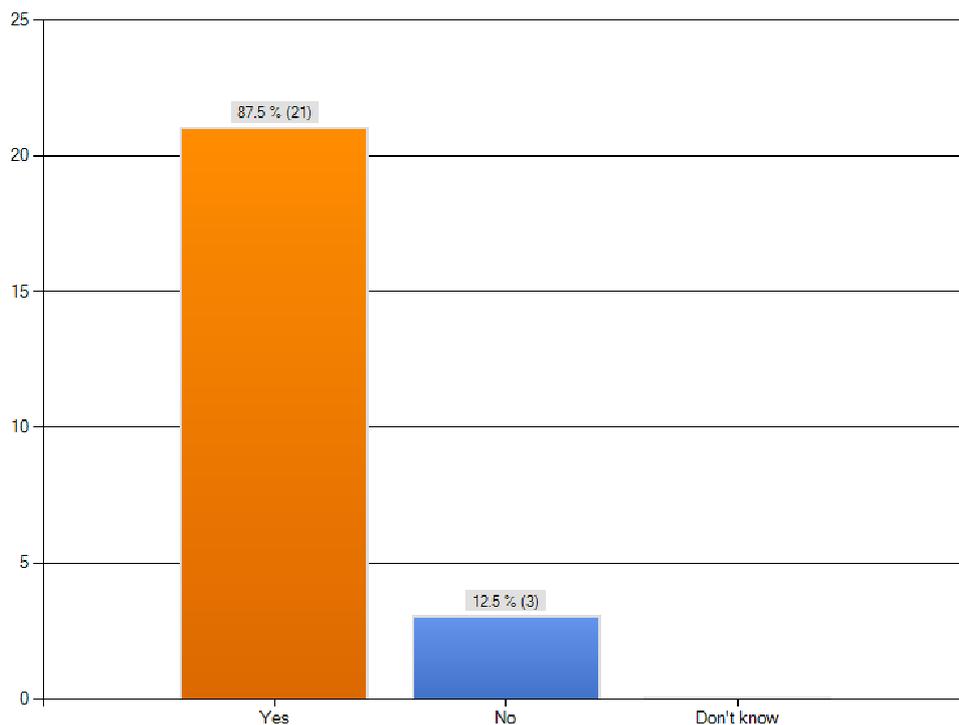
A total of 21 people responded to this question. Key priorities identified by the respondents included: wanting the village to stay the same size, a small shop and post office, gas, a policy for the management of open spaces, more small properties for first time buyers and the elderly, greater guidance on noise management, better play areas, improved road surfacing, more small scale local businesses, better bus services, traffic calming through the village, continuation of villager led initiatives, controls on business activities within the village, promotion of tourism in the area, limited use of street lights to save money, not to allow development outside the existing envelope and enhancement of the environment around the village for conservation purposes.

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



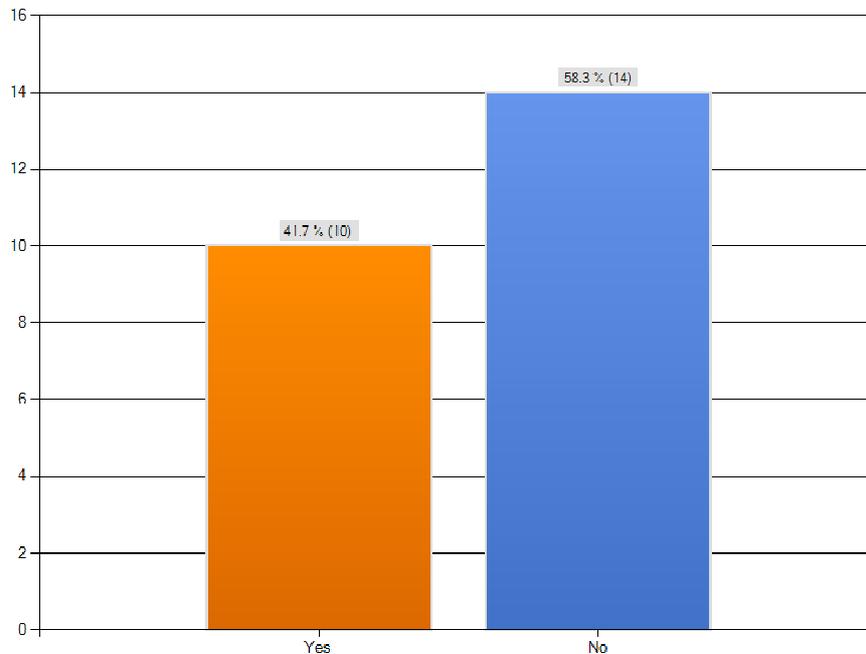
A total of 24 people responded to this question. The majority of respondents (70.8%) thought that housing growth should not be allowed outside the development envelope on the edge of Reach. A smaller number of people (29.2%) supported the option to provide small scale housing growth (up to 10 houses).

Q6. Housing development will continue to come forward on small sites within the village. However, schemes are currently limited to a maximum of 9 dwellings. Do you think this approach should continue?



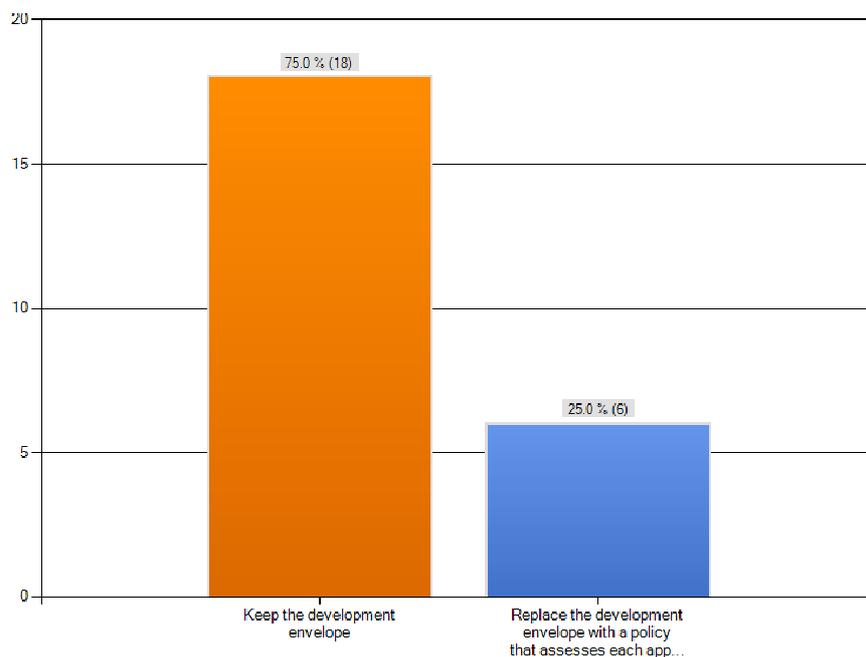
Of the 24 people that responded to this question, 87.5% agreed that the current approach to in-fill development should continue. From the respondents who disagreed (12.3%), it was suggested that there should be no further building of housing at all. Other comments suggested a small amount of building is required to keep the village vibrant and that small-scale development would prevent the village from stagnating.

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



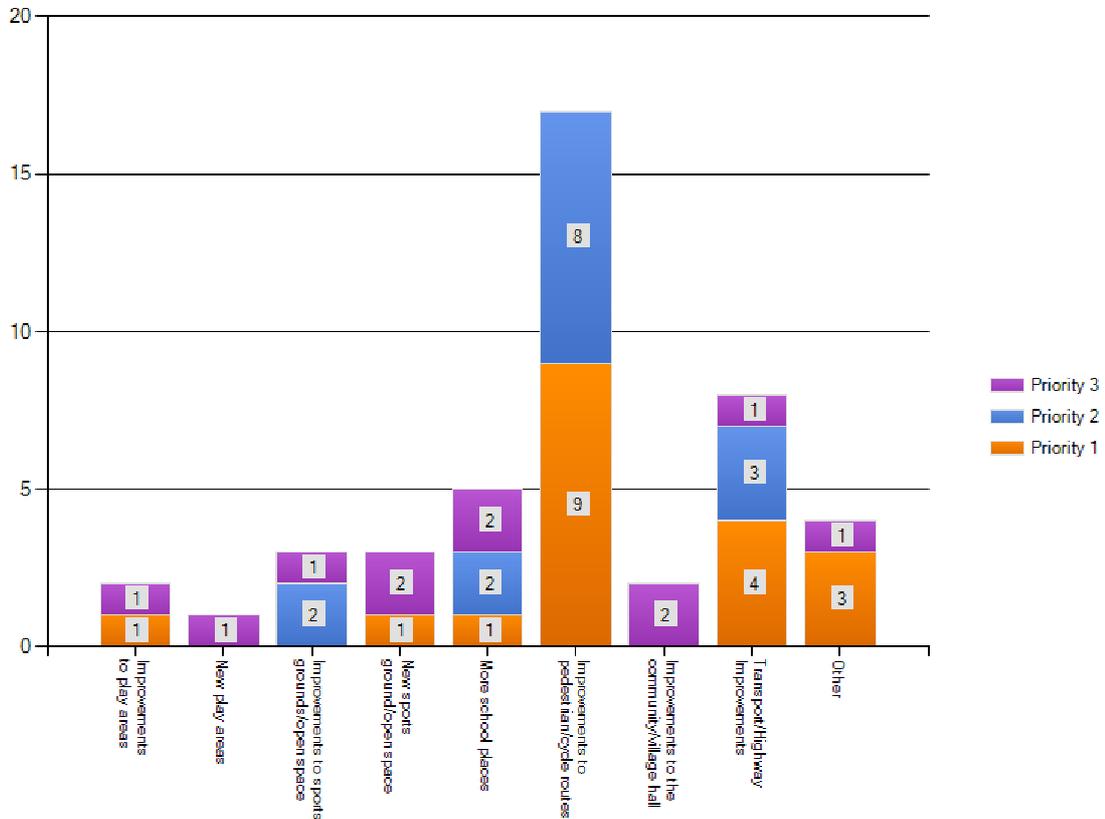
A total of 24 people responded to this question with the majority (58.3%) opposed to seeing more opportunities for small businesses in the village/parish.

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 8 people responded to this question with the majority (75%) in favour of keeping the development envelope, whilst only 25% of people were against.

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 19 people responded to this question, with 6 people choosing not to answer. Overall, the need for pedestrian/cycle routes scored most highly (17 people), followed by transport/highway improvements (8 people) and more school places (5 people). When analysed in terms of priorities, improvements to pedestrian/cycle routes was ranked most frequently as priority 1 and 2, with more school places, improvements to sports grounds/open space and improvements to the community/village hall jointly identified as priority 3.

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 15 people responded to this question, which raised infrastructure issues at the following locations:

- Road improvements, including pedestrian/cycle access to the bridge between Reach and Swaffham Prior
- Pavements improvements between Reach – Burwell – Swaffham Prior
- Footpath clearance along the Lode, the Hythe end of the village
- Need cycle route between Quay and Lode for commuters to Cambridge
- Problems with roadside parking on Swaffham road to Fair Green.

Other non-site specific comments noted the need for: traffic calming on main road into and out of the village, play areas to be refurbished, road resurfacing works and greater pedestrian and cycle connectivity to other areas.

Q11. Please use this space to make any other comments:

A total of 8 people provided a response to this question making the following comments: Reach should be protected, development of more than 2 houses would destroy the village, Swaffham Prior and Swaffham Bulbeck schools should be merged, development would ruin the character of the village, to remain vibrant and interesting we need to attract new people into the community, proximity of Burwell means there is no need for shops, , infrastructure would not support development, the cost of the bus service is shocking, the need for low cost housing is questionable given the lack of access to public transport facilities and that there is a need to monitor how Wicken Fen vision will impact on the village.