

Stretham

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- **What facilities would you like to see?**

East Cambridgeshire District Council is looking for your views on how your village/parish should change or improve in the future.

Please complete the questionnaire:

- online at www.eastcambs.gov.uk/local-development-framework/core-strategy/review by Monday 18th July 2011

To request a paper copy of the questionnaire, or for more information, please contact the Forward Planning team on 01353 665555.



East Cambridgeshire
District Council

A Vision for Stretham

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What do you think? We want your views on how Stretham should change in the future. What sort of place would you like Stretham 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 Stretham 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? Comments should be made by 18th July 2011, and respondents are encouraged to fill in the questionnaire on-line at www.eastcambs.gov.uk/local-development-framework/core-strategy-review. Paper copies of the questionnaire should be returned to the Forward Planning team at East Cambs District Council, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely, Cambs CB7 4EE. 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 Stretham:

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

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
- 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 9 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?

7. The Parish Council is looking to set up a 'Community Land Trust' which would provide affordable housing for local people in the village - as an alternative to affordable housing provided by Sanctuary Hereward. The Community Land Trust would provide more local control and allow more people to access housing.

Do you support this idea?

- Yes No Don't Know

Employment

8. 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

9. 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 a development envelope
 Replace development envelopes 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 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"/>
Improvements to the 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

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. 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 imparement 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?

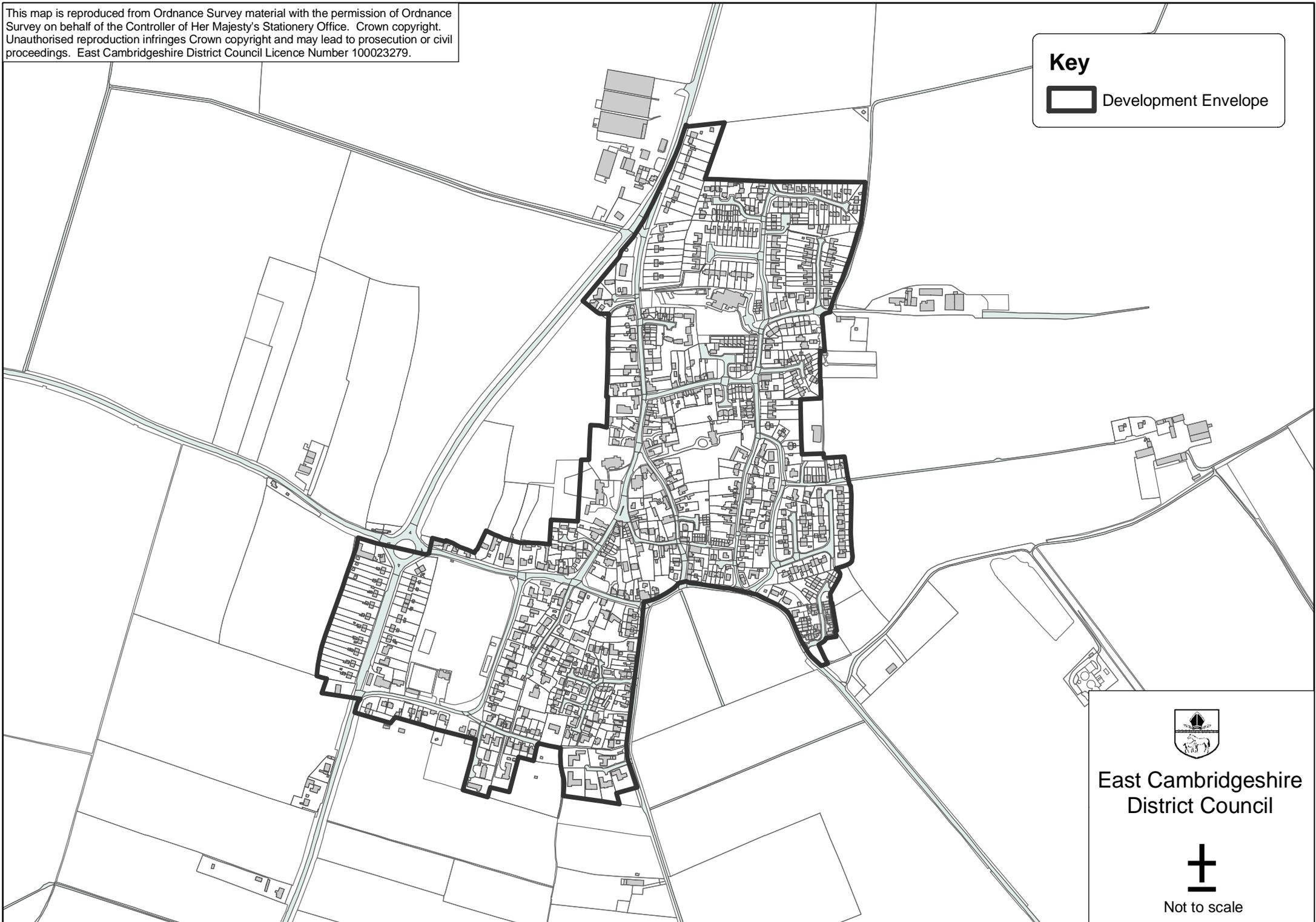
- Yes No

Thank you for your help.

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Key

 Development Envelope



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Not to scale

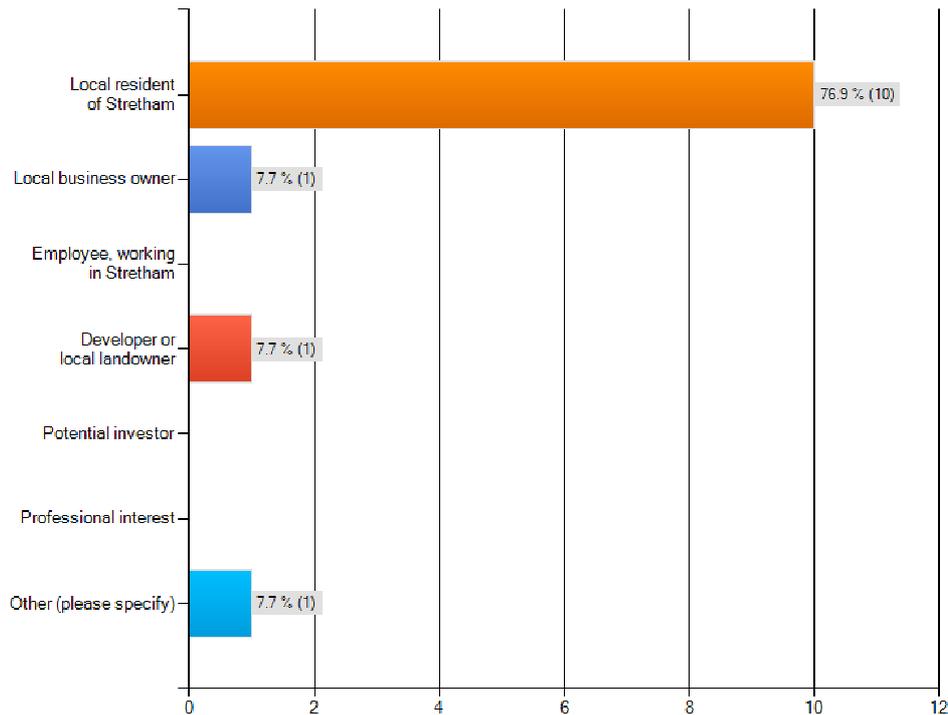
Stretham Village Vision Questionnaire Results

Key facts:

Consultation period:	27 th June – 18 th July 2011
Total responses:	13
Number of dwellings in the village:	780
Response rate:	2%

Summary of Results

Question

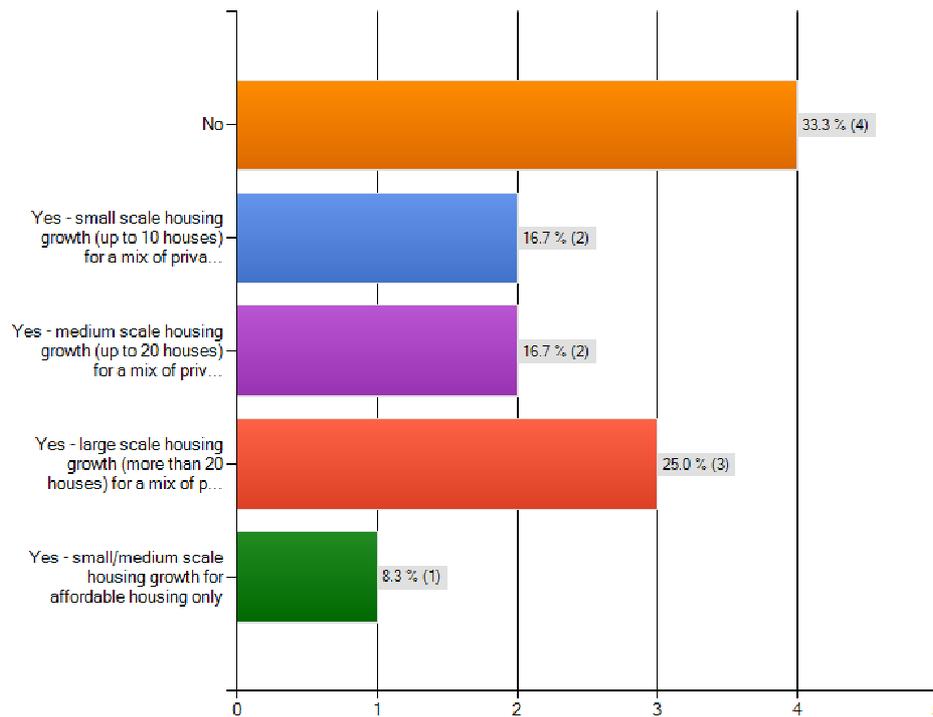


A total of 13 people responded to this question with 76.9% of respondents stating that their main interest in the development of Stretham was as a local resident. One response was received from a local business owner, one from a developer or local landowner and one from a resident who also declared an interest as a developer and landowner.

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

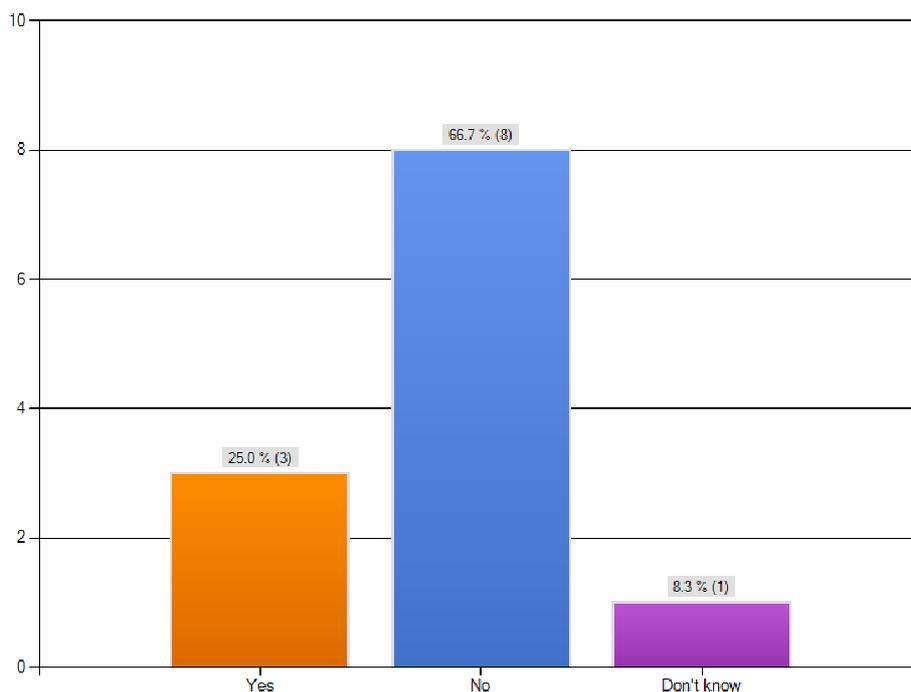
A total of 13 people responded to this question. Key priorities identified by the respondents included providing housing in Stretham for young people, making use of brownfield sites on the edge of the settlement, expansion of the village envelope, more houses for first time buyers, growth to encourage younger people to stay, better public transport links, more control over local issues, more nature and greenspace, a reduced speed limit throughout the village, new and improved cycle links, a larger village shop, tidying of unsightly areas, expansion of the school, more local business, more publicity of Parish Council meetings, creation of a Parish magazine, more activities for older children and a greater feeling of community.

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



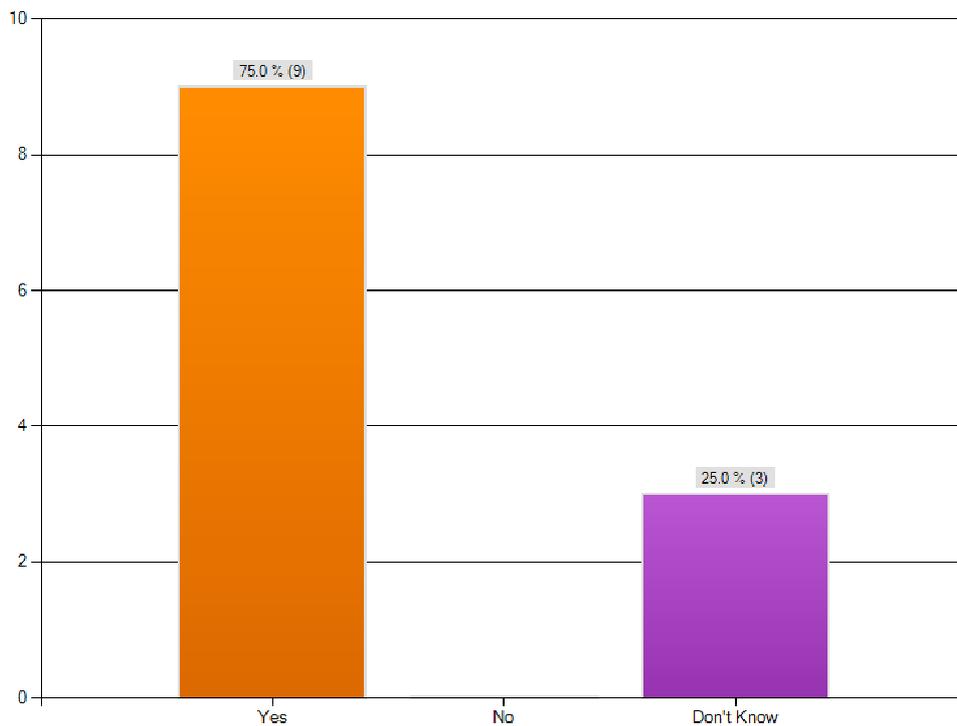
A total of 12 people responded to this question. The majority of respondents (66.7%) supported allowing housing growth on the edge of Stretham, with 33.3% of respondents against it. Of the people that supported growth, most support was given to large scale housing growth (25%), followed by medium scale housing growth (16.7%) and small scale housing growth (16.7%). One respondent (8.3%) supported small/medium scale housing growth for affordable housing only.

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?



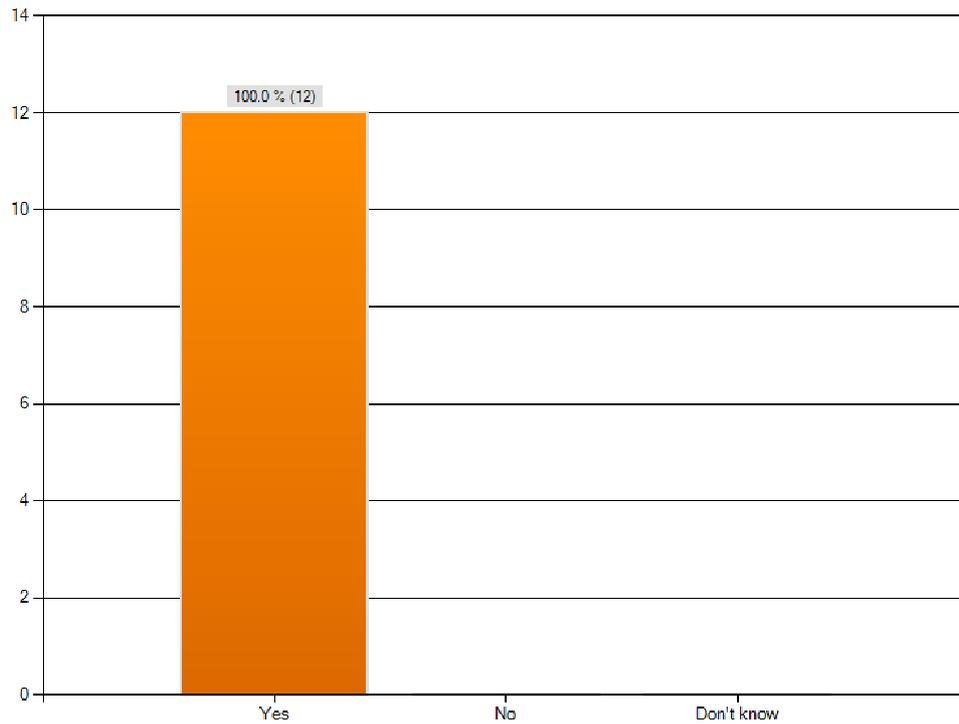
Of the 12 people that responded to this question, 66.7% disagreed that the current approach to in-fill development should continue, with 25% in support. From the respondents who disagreed, it was suggested that the current policy should be altered to prevent 'garden grabbing' and that planning applications should be judged on their merit. Other comments highlighted the need to improve transport infrastructure prior to housing growth, the need to assess the impact of infill development on increased traffic and that larger sites should be identified to come forward through the LDF. One respondent questioned whether there is a need to provide further housing and the need to maintain protection of the Conservation Area.

Q7. The Parish Council is looking to set up a 'Community Land Trust' which would provide affordable housing for local people in the village - as an alternative to affordable housing provided by Sanctuary Hereward. The Community Land Trust would provide more local control and allow more people to access housing. Do you support this idea?



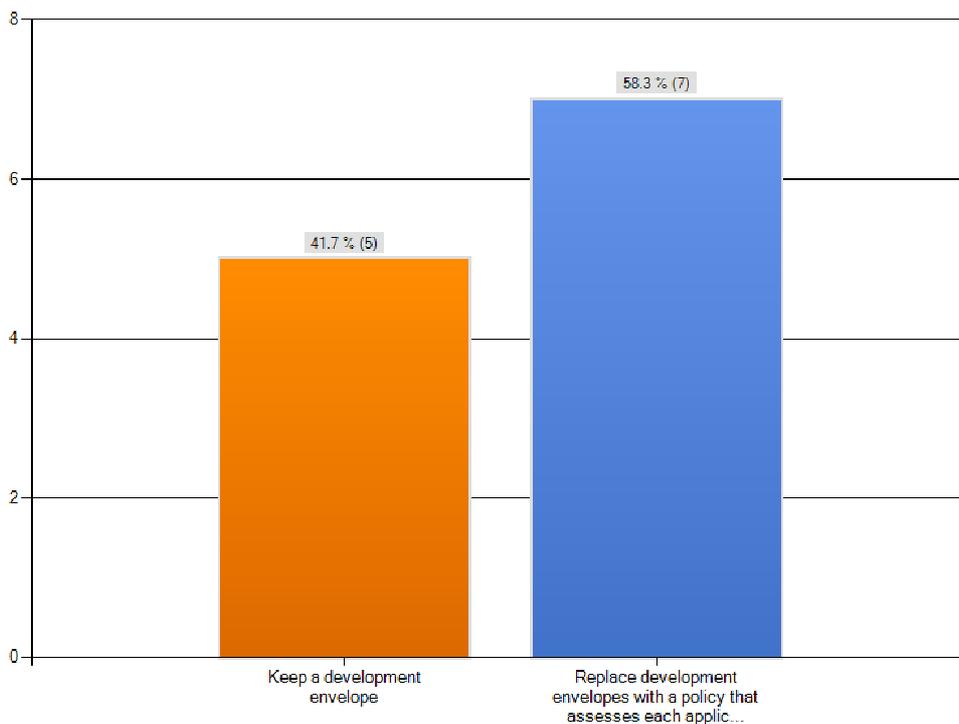
A total of 12 people responded to this question with the majority (75%) in favour of the creation of a Community Land Trust for the village. Whilst there was no opposition to the suggestion, 3 people (37.5%) did not know whether they supported the idea.

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



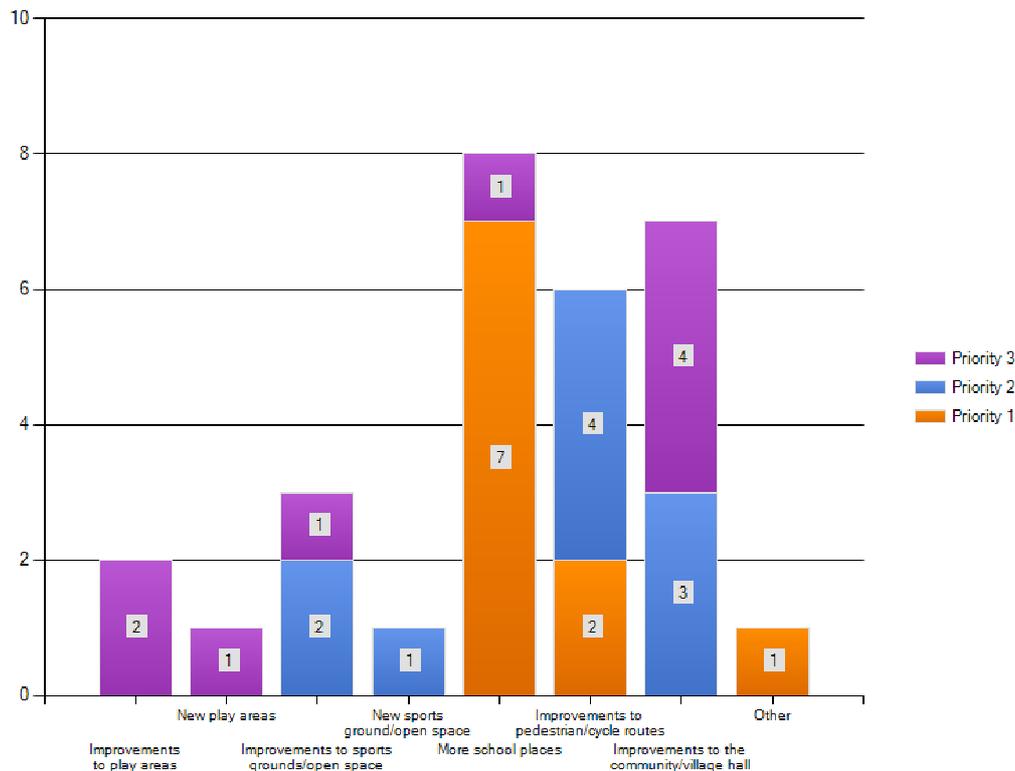
All 12 respondents (100%) supported the suggestion that they would like to see more opportunities for small businesses in the village and parish.

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 12 people responded to this question with the majority (58.3%) in favour of replacing the development 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 the village, what benefits would you like to see? Please select your top 3 priorities from the list:



A total of 10 people responded to this question, with 3 people choosing not to answer. Overall, the need for more school places, improvements to the community/village hall and improvements to pedestrian/cycle routes scored most highly. When analysed in terms of priorities, more school places (7 people) ranked most frequently as priority 1, improvements to pedestrian/cycle routes (4 people) as priority 2 and improvements to the community/village hall (4 people) as priority 3.

Q11. For the priorities 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 8 people responded to this question, which raised infrastructure issues at the following locations:

- Need for a better pedestrian/cycles route to Ely and Cambridge
- Provision of a railway station at Stretham on the Ely -Cambridge line

Other non-site specific comments noted the need for: indoor sports facilities, a basketball court or skate ramp for older teenagers, improvements to the village hall, a community centre in the middle of the village, heating for the church, a village website, real-time bus information and expansion of the school.

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

A total of 6 people provided a response to this question making the following comments: need for a village website, a more visible police presence, retention of the allotments, a quieter road surface on the A10, noise screening along the A10, enforcement of speed limits, better green spaces, road improvements and traffic

calming, improved public transport, more dog bins and wheelie bins to replace black sacks.

One respondent suggested that the village and surrounding areas would benefit from the proposed CLT, whilst another noted that more residents were needed to maintain the current provision of facilities.