

KIRKBY MALZEARD, LAVERTON AND DALLOWGILL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN.

DRAFT PLAN – DECEMBER 2023/JANUARY 2024 INFORMAL PUBLIC CONSULTATION – RESPONSES TO QUESTIONNAIRE.

NUMBER OF COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES RETURNED (ON-LINE AND PRINTED VERSIONS) IN TOTAL – 104.

Number of individual questions completed - 938

**QUESTION 1 – Section 3 – are you aware of any errors or omissions within the
'Parish Present' or 'Parish Past' sections? If so, please tell us about them
below:**

48 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

No/None noted/not aware of errors/none/not known:39

Other:

1. Within the statutory listed heritage assets, I noted that the Grange address says Carlesmoor and not Back Lane? **Carlesmoor is correct.**
2. The Mill and The Old Mill on Church Bank are modern (late twentieth century) buildings built on the site of the village mill. **Noted - Reference in Church Street SCA (Appendix B) altered.**
3. Ivy bank campsite and glamping units to rent. Just 500 yards outside Kirkby village. **Referred to as caravan park in Section 5.4. Paragraph 3.**
4. There is no real mention of Mowbray House and associated buildings which have historical importance. **Reference in Church St SCA (Appendix B) enlarged.**
5. No mention of Mowbray house and associated buildings with historical importance. **See above.**
6. I couldn't find a reference to the valuable assets of a garage or the hairdressers. **Referred to in Section 5.4 paragraph 3.** Also, the Church is mentioned but not within the list of community assets which I feel St Andrews should be. **St Andrews added to Section 5.4 paragraph 10.**

7. I note you wish to support the provision of EV charging points; however, I feel it needs more detail. A lot of cars in the village are parked on the street. As we change over to EVs there needs to be some means of charging a car on the street without trailing power cables across the pavement. **Agreed – but unable to resolve within a NP except to support specific provision on new developments.**
8. Building has occurred outside of previously set boundaries. **Noted.**
9. AONB – needs updating to new name (National Landscapes). **Amended to Nidderdale National Landscape (NNL) where included.**

Decision: Retain Section 3 in current form. Make amendments to other sections as referred to above.

QUESTION 2 - Section 4 - Do you think that the 'Vision' and 'Objectives' reflect the type of community we want?

82 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

Yes: 73 (89%)

Other:

1. Ensure that the parish boasts a diverse and extensive array of businesses. NO APPARENT SCHEME IN PLACE TO ENSURE HOW THIS IS TO BE ACHIEVED AND SUSTAINED. **Agreed that 'ensure' needs altering – wording changed in Objective on Local Economy – Section 4**
2. Local Economy (Section 5.6) Ensure that the parish boasts a diverse and extensive array of businesses. **As above.**
3. Myself and others would love some activity for youths, such as a quality mountain bike/BMX pump track **Added Parish Action in Section 5.4**
4. As part of the community, I don't wish to support developments. **No new housing sites allocated under this Plan.**
5. Overall good, but I do think that housing should not just focus on young and elderly downsizing. Families should have options for modern efficient 3-5 bed housing. **Policy 2 allows for 50% of new sites to have such housing.**
6. The current building at back lane south (west) which was outside of previous boundaries will significantly increase road traffic through the village, already resulting in flooding and power outages. **Noted – the new**

boundaries were created by the Local Plan – hopefully by having a NP it may help prevent this next time.

7. Mostly 'yes' however I think that there are already extensive and varied community facilities.eg There is only the need for one public house in a community of this size especially in this economic climate when many public houses are struggling to stay open. Obviously new houses need to be built but there should be more given to builders to keep to the plans already passed without adding extra height etc. It could be that it is who you know. **Noted – the Parish Council does monitor Consents and seeks to ensure that developers do comply with conditions.**
8. All good but under 'Community Facilities' would a 'proportional range be more appropriate than extensive? (Only a medium size village)
Considered that range is extensive compared to size of village.
9. More emphasis on nature recovery and climate change adaptation required. **Agreed that matter is covered adequately in Section 5.3.**

Decision: Retain Section 4 in current form subject to amendments referred to above.

Q3. Section 5.1 - Policy KMLD1 - Are you happy with the proposals to amend the Kirkby Malzeard Village Development Limits?

91 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

Yes 62 (68%)

No 22 (24%)

Other 7 (8%):

1. There doesn't appear to be any clear rationale for changing/adding to the existing limits, and how effective were the current limits in inhibiting 'the existing and recently built housing adjacent to the limits'. **Rationale explained in item 3 – Section 5.1 - illogical to omit existing housing.**
2. Please include the full plot of (ADDRESS REDACTED), which is all residential land, within the development limits. **68% (over two thirds) of those who responded agree with proposed revised limits so no significant/major amendments at this point are appropriate. As set out in 1 above the intention behind requesting that the limits be revised when the next Local Plan is adopted, is to make them more logical by including**

existing housing and immediate gardens (or where recent consents have been granted, the site covered by that consent) but not increase them significantly by including paddocks/fields. A number of properties in the village are known to include paddocks to the rear and if they were also all included within the Development Limits, it could create sizeable development opportunities which would be contrary to the wishes of the community. If there is a clearly defined boundary between the rear garden and the paddock in the case of (ADDRESS REDACTED), it may be appropriate to extend the limit to include all the garden. The process is for the Steering Group to discuss this particular case directly with the Planning Authority prior to the formal Regulation 14 Consultation. A site inspection may be needed for clarification.

3. Please review the limit which goes across (ADDRESS REDACTED). All land associated with the house is deemed Residential on the deeds (garden and paddock). The line should be drawn around the entire plot. **See above.**
4. I do not believe that the Development Limits should be changed. Development outside the existing limits should not have been allowed. Any expansion of the limits should be minimal only. **Proposal is seen as minimal.**
5. I think more possible land should be added adjacent to the playing fields. To the East. **The view of the community is not to extend Limits significantly.**
6. I think the development should be at the south side of the village parallel to the current development from Kirkby moor road, starting on the south east corner of the village green up to Galphay Road. This would destroy less habitats in other areas, create better access from Galphay Road and give walkable access via village green to village infrastructure. **See 5 above.**
7. It is not stated why the changes would be beneficial or required. **See 1 above.**
Decision: Retain Policy in existing form.

Further note following discussion with Planning Authority concerning items 2 and 3 above – Development Limits often extend to include rear gardens in proportion to property but not large gardens or paddocks under normal circumstances. We suggest that this matter be raised again

by any interested parties as part of the Reg 14 Consultation with a site plan provided so that the matter can be properly considered at that stage.

Q4. Section 5.1 - Policy KMLD2 - Do you agree that the number of homes with 4 or more bedrooms proposed in future planning Applications needs to be controlled to enable smaller houses instead, in the way that is proposed within the draft Plan?

90 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

Yes 77 (86%)

No 13 (14%)

Decision: Retain Policy in existing form.

Q5. - Section 5.1 - Are you happy with the existing arrangements used to determine 'Local Connections' in respect of affordable housing being retained?

83 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

Yes 72 (87%)

No 11 (13%)

Decision: Retain Policy in existing form.

Q6. - Section 5.1 - Policy KMLD3 - Do you agree that where agricultural occupancy restrictions have been placed on new homes in the countryside, that these should be permanent?

89 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

Yes 72 (81%)

No 17 (19%)

Decision: Retain Policy in existing form.

Q7. - Section 5.1 - Policy KMLD4 - are you in favour with redundant traditional agricultural buildings being converted for housing or business use?

92 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

Yes 83 (90%)

No 9 (10%)

Decision: Agreed that a minor amendment should be made to the wording of this Policy for the avoidance of doubt to ensure that it only applied to traditional agricultural buildings. Further wording added to ensure that buildings would need to be readily accessible from a public highway to comply. This latter aspect was raised in Q17 below.

Q8. - Section 5.2 - Policy KMLD5 - Do you feel that any of the suggested Non-designated Heritage Assets should be removed, or any others added? If so, which?

40 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

No/None removed/Accept as appendix A/Nothing to change/Happy with Plan/Should stay as it is/Nil to add or remove: 27.

Other 13:

1. Henry Jenkins pub should be added as a historic asset. **Agreed, as this is raised below by other respondents.**
2. Add Henry Jenkins Add KM Pinfold and Laverton Pinfold Add St Andrews Church and Love Lane. **KM Pinfold and St Andrews both Listed Buildings so not necessary to include. Laverton Pinfold already included in Asset list. Love Lane unlikely to meet criteria (and not seen as appropriate as Local Green Space as no public access). See 1 above re Henry Jenkins.**
3. Pumping Station at Carlsmoor. **Agreed - Added to non-designated heritage asset list.**
4. I'm not aware of them but it should be on a case-by-case basis. **Assets are considered on case-by-case basis.**
5. Add on Henry Jenkins PH. **See 1 above.**

6. I have no strong views either way, other than the fact that currently well patronised assets (e.g. The Queens Head, the Mechanics Institute) must be protected. **Noted – already on list.**
7. The Highside Playing Fields should be added to the list. **Included as Local Green Space.**
8. Mowbray House and associated buildings. **Already Listed Building so not necessary to include.**
9. Mowbray House and associated buildings. **See above.**
10. Carlsmoor pumping station should be added. **Agreed see 3 above.**
11. None should be removed but Henry Jenkins should be added regardless of current status. **See 1 above.**
12. The Henry Jenkins. **See 1 above.**
13. Good list. I would like to see what remains of the Cast Hill settlement protected (SE 20377147), which is basically the remains of the stone circle/enclosure in the wall at the entrance to Castles Farm. Details on Pastscape Monuments 52167.
Agreed – added to list.

Decision: add Henry Jenkins, Carlsmoor Pumping Station and Cast Hills settlement stones to Asset list in Policy KMLD5.

Q9. - Section 5.2 - Policy KMLD6 - If you live within the proposed Church Street Area of Special Character and Heritage, please let us have your comments.

22 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

N/a: 15

Other: 7

1. Does such a designation carry any regulatory powers with respect to future development of sites within the area? Whilst the front elevations of most buildings are traditional and largely in keeping with local architectural heritage, there are significant variations to the rear of most properties, with all manner of extensions. **Item 20 explains the effects of making this designation.**
2. I live on Church Street. I was unable to attend the open morning regarding the village plan and don't feel the documents give enough

explanation of the proposed restrictions on building or use of TPOs in the area. I think you need to consult with residents further on potential limits in this area. **See above – residents will have opportunity for further consultation when Regulation 14 Consultation stage is reached.**

3. Sounds ok - will there be any help in maintaining the appearance of the street? **Support noted - unlikely that any grant aid would be available.**
4. Good idea. **Support noted.**
5. A great idea to help preserve the history of this part of the village. **Support noted.**
6. I think the Special Area ideas are good. It will help maintain the old character of the core of the historic village. **Support noted.**
7. We live on Church Street and fully support protecting the character of this part of the village. It is very special. **Support noted.**

Decision: Retain Policy in existing form.

Q10. - Section 5.2 - Policy KMLD7 - Do you have any input regarding the Design criteria? If so please comment below:

30 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

No or N/a: 16

Other: 14

1. Poor design seen at Richmond Garth. **Design Policy intended to prevent poor design in future.**
2. Builders of housing developments need to be made to stick to the building for which they have planning permission, rather than apply retrospectively as has happened on the Back Lane South development. Three storeys built when permission was given for two then retrospective permission sought - and granted. This is a blatant misuse of the planning service. They should be made to remove the third storey. **Agreed that it is important that Conditions are enforced by the Planning Authority.**
3. No I'm happy to leave it to the professionals. **Policy will provide guidelines for Professions to implement.**

4. New houses should conform to look similar to those adjacent to the area of development and remain in character for the village profile. **As referred to in Policy.**
5. I support the design criteria listed. **Support noted.**
6. All seem very sensible to me. **Support noted.**
7. As stated in Plan. **Support noted.**
8. As stated in plan to retain young population. **This Policy not just aimed at buildings which would be for young people but would apply to all new build properties – it is hoped that Policy KMLD2 will result in a greater amount of smaller housing suitable for younger people being built.**
9. Should be flexible to allow for high quality modern design using natural materials such as timber. **It is felt that timber clad buildings would not be in keeping with overall appearance of properties in the area which are predominantly stone faced.**
10. No additions. **Support noted.**
11. Design must be kept to reflect the look of the village. **Support noted.**
12. Affordable. **Meaning of comment unclear.**
13. I have a slight doubt about the criteria for buildings to ‘match’ the traditional look, i.e. ‘elevations in new build properties should be faced with natural, local stone’. Well, it protects from something totally out of character and hideous being built, is it a little too restrictive? Would it prevent innovative design, new technology, creative ideas etc? **See 9 above. 64% of those responding to the original consultation supported traditional design and construction.**
14. This design criteria should include appropriate public and amenity areas including landscaping, trees, green space, playgrounds, and seating areas. **These aspects are covered in Policy.**

Decision: Retain Policy in current form except for the addition of a sentence to sub-section g ‘Wherever practical parking areas should be constructed of permeable materials to minimise the risk of surface water flooding’. This aspect was suggested in the responses to Q16.

Q11. - Section 5.3 - Policy KMLD8 - Do you agree with the suggested Local Green Spaces? If not, please indicate why or suggest similar sites for consideration.

47 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

Yes/I agree/Happy/We agree/Yes agree: 36

Other: 9

1. Yes I think the provision of more carparking spaces on The Green needs to ensure the open green space is maintained after consultation with residents of The Green. **Noted – Residents will be consulted further on improvements to the sizeable area of The Green which will become a designated Local Green Space, in conjunction with the provision of the proposed car-park.**
2. Please can we return the verges all along Main Street to neat mown areas rather than the “wilded” areas that we have tried for the last few years. It is ugly and depressing. It’s a Main Street not a country lane. We have wonderful wildlife areas surrounding the village and on the Back Lanes. **The Parish Council has already decided to return the verges to the grass cutting programme. The wildflower project will continue at West End Green.**
3. Yes, Green space to be preserved around Parkfield and Grange developments. **Whilst there are some small grassed areas/verges within the two developments these would not meet the criteria for Local Green Spaces.**
4. Yes, I support the suggestions – however I feel they need to be well tended (otherwise they can become an ugly irrelevance) and that parking of vehicles should be strictly prohibited (I note a camper van parked on one of the listed spaces, which is very often there). **Noted – maintenance arrangements are reviewed by the Parish Council – see item 2 above.**
5. Could Mowbray Wood be more accessible. Path through it reaching the Beck. **Any issues with public footpaths should be referred to the Parish Council – this query has been passed on.**

6. Please consider all the major verges in Kirkby Malzeard – the ISLAND OF GREENSPACE junction of Back Lane, Ringbeck Road and Main Street, Kirkby Malzeard is currently included – then so should High Walk (the arguably iconic sloping large verge at the east end of the village), the lovely verges at the entrance to the village at the Crossroads/ Ripon Road, and the broad verges from the Jubilee Garden going westwards.
Noted – ‘regular’ areas of verges would not meet the criteria to be designated a Local Green Space’ but we will raise the case of the High Walk section with our Planning Consultant in case this could be justified.
Further Note – the High Walk section has been added following discussion with the Planning Consultant.
7. I would like to see the Green partially turned into an orchard or woodland. **See 1 above.**
8. Must keep as much green as possible to retain views. **See 1 above.**
9. Yes. It is important to keep Local Green Spaces. **Support noted.**
10. It is correct to keep green spaces but if part of The Green is to be made into a carpark, then surely the other part could be made into allotments/community garden. It is already owned by the Council and the parking would help keep extra traffic off Main St and more problems with parking. **See 1 above although it is felt unlikely that it would be appropriate for use as allotments.**
11. The Green is a much used and needed greenspace which takes pressure off the sports facilities. There is huge potential to further enhance the green space and make a positive contribution to nature recovery e.g replace lost trees, extend tree/shrub cover. **See 1 above.**

Decision: Retain Policy in current form with addition of High Walk verges as covered at point 6).

Q12. - Section 5.3 - Parish Action 2 - If you live near to the proposed Allotment/Community Garden site please let us have your comments.

44 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

N/a: 10

Other: 34 responses (of which the following*were from those who indicated they did not live near proposed site:)

1. *I don't live in view of the proposed allotments. I support the proposed allotment plan.
2. *n/a but all in favour of creating allotment sites.
3. *I do not live adjacent to this area. My only concern would be how parking would be managed.
4. *Happy for village allotments but don't live near this area
5. *Don't live near but great idea.
6. *Having been brought up in Kirkby Malzeard I know the proposed site for allotments well. My feeling is that allotments should be further out from the village where parking would hopefully be away from Main St. There are so many problems with parking already.
7. *Don't live near but would use one.
8. *Do not live close enough.
9. * We do not have a house that will be overlooked by the proposed allotments but have lived next to some allotments before and moved because of them. They end up being very unsightly, noisy and vermin infested. Vermin love compost heaps and all the other foodstuff lying around. It is probably better to find an area outside but close to the village so that people will still want to come here to live. We believe that the traffic and parking situation in Main Street is bad enough without adding any extra.
- 10.*Although I don't live very near the proposed area, I think the allotments would add to car problems on Main Street which are often mentioned to be a big problem in the village. The access/exit is not ideal and often cars parked either side of the entrance making visibility poor. The field proposed is extremely wet and boggy during wet weather and with climate change the amount of rain is not going to decrease. Drainage is not good.

The 10 responses above have been noted but the intention was to obtain the views of people living in the vicinity of the proposed allotment site, so much greater weight is given to the remaining 34 responses below. We have summarised the issues raised at the end of this section.

As there is no indication to the contrary, the remaining responses are therefore assumed to be from people who do live in the immediate vicinity:

11. Concern that there will be extra light, traffic, and noise pollution. There will have to be a facility for parking which will concrete over existing grassland which is extremely useful for sheep chickens and cows. We should not be concreting over viable farming land; we should be encouraging farmers to use it. There is no water facility.
12. I live on Manor Court and am very concerned about the thought of allotments which have been proposed on the Charity land. We have difficulty seeing up the Street when we are leaving Manor Court due to parked cars in the Street which would be worse. I am concerned about rats due to the seeds or corn, if chickens or any other animals are going to be allowed on the allotments. The allotments I have seen are untidy and we will lose our privacy which we have always known.
13. I am against the proposed location of the allotments. It borders my property, and I am concerned about vermin risk (there has previously been a rat problem here). Due to the prevailing wind direction any rubbish or anything not 'tied down' will end up strewn across my property. I am concerned about antisocial behaviour, disturbing the peace, risk of unattended fires. Most allotments look like tips, with a ramshackle mess of broken items/sheds, which is detrimental within the AONB. Access is poor, it is narrow with poor visibility and onto very boggy ground. Parking is already an issue on Main Street. I feel that the proposed location is not suitable and an alternative slightly outwith the village boundary would be preferable e.g. on Dallowgill Road. The allotments for Pateley Bridge are not within Pateley, they are at a site just outside Glasshouses. At the very least there will need to be a named warden, contactable at all times in case of fire or unsuitable/irresponsible behaviour.
14. The allotments will drastically increase the traffic in the village, which is already extremely busy, with the new housing which will further exacerbate the congestion. For those parking near the allotments, they will parking spots (*as written*), which there are already very few. If there would be additional parking down in the field, the access is very thin and would be dangerous to leave due to blind spots and would be very tight. Also, the allotments won't look nice or appealing.
15. Very much in favour.
16. Strongly opposed to this. It's a Charity field used by small scale famers and young farmers needing affordable land in which to hone their skills

and raise cattle or sheep. In the 13 years we've lived here it's been in continuous use except for one season while a new occupant took it over. We strongly object to any change of use. Parking on Main Street is a nightmare as we all know. It will only get worse. Access into the field is narrow and visibility exiting the field is limited. The houses either side of the entrance have multiple vehicles and struggle to park their own cars. This would be worse if people were parking up to visit the allotments. We strongly oppose any suggestion of allowing vehicles to park in the field. The houses on two sides of the field would be overlooked by allotment holders and we strongly object to our privacy being compromised. Charity fields are an historic asset that were donated for a specific purpose many years ago and should remain so. Finally, we think that any land given over to allotments should be on the outskirts of the village rather than anywhere that Main Street.

17. I think allotments would be a great idea.

18. Completely against the proposed location but not against allotments. It will have a negative impact on the properties surrounding it, the allotments in both Masham and Ripon are both visually unappealing and struggle with rodents and crime. I worry about the impact on house values surrounding it. I currently look out onto a lovely green field and to have that taken away would be very upsetting and especially going from that to an allotment with people there all hours of the day who could look into the back of our houses and gardens when we have previously had complete privacy. I also worry about the noise as a result. The track down is very thin and the entrance is not safe for cars to be coming and going. If parking wasn't allowed down in the field, then parking on the road outside would get even worse, there already isn't enough for the residents living at this side of the village. The land is often waterlogged with poor drainage which would get even worse with increased footfall. I believe that a more suitable site could be found as I know the Charity who owns the field owns other land. This may only affect a small part of the village, but it feels wrong to have this pushed on us as we are as a part of the village and community as anyone else and to have this go ahead would make me as others deeply unhappy.

19. It is important the communal garden would be an attractive space and not a typical allotment. It should also be somewhere for residents to sit

and an area to meet socially too, with space for anyone to plant and tend the garden and not just for people paying for an allotment space.

20. An important new asset for community – parking issues to be considered – provision for parking? Communal garden space at top end - working group and an allotment association to draw up constitution/overall plan for consultation.
21. Great idea – would definitely have one.
22. A good idea, especially as a lot of the new houses have small gardens.
23. I agree with the provision of allotments but disagree with the provision of a Community Garden. Surely the Playing Fields site would be more appropriate as a community garden. I would suggest that the allotments are set back from existing properties and gardens. There should also be a time limit to access the Allotments, plus adhering to rules and regulations as an allotment holder.
24. I would suggest that the allotments are set back from existing properties and gardens and that the access is time restricted. Disagree with provision for Community Garden. Other underused sites would be more suitable i.e. Highside Playing fields/The Green.
25. I live near the proposed field, and I support the provision of community allotments which should be designed and managed to minimise impact on the surrounding houses.
26. Main issue will be parking, very busy on road in that area.
27. The allotment idea is great.
28. Invasion of privacy and family entertainment for the affected persons whose gardens will have to look over their hedges to see an unsightly view and intrusion of other people. Derelict for months of the year of which we still have to view every day. Depreciation of value of home confirmed by two estate agents. Who is paying towards this - surely grants etc would be better spent on larger playing areas in view of further houses being built. Extreme weather conditions which we are becoming increasingly accustomed to would mean with almost certainty that we would have flying debris which is a risk factor. As an example, my son who bought a house in Ripon lives in an area of an allotment has found tin galvanised sheeting, green netting compost bags and pots either in his garden or against his wall. In recent years we have had problems with rats. Help was sought from the Council and advice given. No bird tables or any form of food to feed wildlife. Apparently, we have

established rat runs down under the hedges. Blight on the landscape in an AONB. Attraction of pigeons. Need I go on - move somewhere more suitable that will not impact on ordinary people living their lives. Manor Court has had to endure problematic issues with more traffic and school buses on a daily basis at the front of their houses due to a decision to make a school entrance.

29. Regarding section 5.3 paragraph 22 we are an 'interested party' as defined in Paragraph 22. The Parish Council has not contacted us (or as you say 'worked with us') or our neighbours to obtain our views. This is essential given that our properties border the selected area. We received a flyer for the election to the Parish Council 2022 of Mr Geoffrey Berry which regarding allotment sites states 'the possibility of allotments behind Main St needs to be given consideration, but important that we consult with the residents abutting this field' This has not happened. We must insist that this happens before any further progress with the project and would welcome a meeting to discuss prior to 29th January 2024.
30. Not a good idea on proposed area. It is too near surrounding private housing, should be on outskirts of village. Too much traffic and lack of parking on Main Street. Renowned for attracting vermin, anti-social behaviour, theft, and vandalism. Also used as areas for fly-tipping. Field very wet.
31. If you desperately need an allotment, have it somewhere out of the village. I'm sure there will be somewhere appropriate to enable sufficient parking as the village streets are almost full, allotments are very unsightly, encourage vermin, weather conditions as we are aware will get worse therefore probable flying debris into people gardens, flooding issues, privacy issues. Not going to happen.
32. There is no way I want allotments next to my private house. They start off with good intentions but end up looking like Masham allotments – in other words a tip. The KM Charitable Trust own other land in the area which is not next to private housing. There is often theft damage and anti-social behaviour at allotments. This area had a problem with rats 3 years ago and HBC advised the residents (by letter) not to leave any food out e.g. bird feeders. Plenty of foodstuff attractive to rodents left out at an allotment. Parking will be a big problem and extra traffic at a very

difficult entrance/exit for getting in and especially out, would be dangerous.

33. We live directly next to the Charity field. Whilst not opposed to the idea of village allotments, our first preference would be to keep this field available for individuals needing small fields to rent for livestock. I believe there is demand for this and it is difficult for a local person with a small flock of sheep to find somewhere to rent. We enjoy having sheep and lambs behind our garden and it provides privacy, and we are not overlooked. If the field was developed for allotments, it would be good if the residents that directly face on to it could be involved with decisions regarding the layout of the site as it would have an impact on the privacy of our gardens. On the 'plus' side it could be an opportunity to increase the wildlife value of the area as well as provide a great community facility.
34. They will be a disaster. They will increase crime in the area (see problems at other allotments). Traffic in the area is already a problem and this will increase it dramatically.

Issues raised:

a) Parking for allotment holders – would either need to park on Main Street which would exacerbate current problems or on-site provision would be needed in which case would the access be of adequate width?

View of Steering Group: the provision of parking is seen as a relevant issue. Consultation with NYC Highways will be carried out as part of the Reg 14 Consultation.

b) Allotment use would cause problems for neighbouring properties such as vermin, flying debris, unattractive appearance, suggested increase in crime/fly-tipping/anti-social or irresponsible behaviour, light and noise pollution, unattended fires.

View of the Steering Group: The site would be managed by an Allotment Association with a proper Constitution and Management Committee who would be responsible for resolving any such problems if they arose, with any allotment holder not meeting requirements quickly evicted.

c) Loss of agricultural land.

View of Steering Group: A Planning Application would be made, and the Local Planning Authority would determine whether the retention of the existing grazing use was considered more important than the creation of this community facility. It was noted that there have been no objections to the principle of having allotments only the suitability of this site for this use.

d) No water supply.

View of Steering Group: This would need to be provided by the Management Committee.

e) Land wet.

View of Steering Group: It would be the responsibility of the Management Committee and the allotment holders to resolve this if it proves to be a problem.

f) Extent of consultation carried out.

View of Steering Group: Clearly this Consultation itself has taken place including an open meeting and there will be a further consultation as part of the next stage of creating a NP (the Regulation 14 Consultation). All Steering Group meetings and Parish Council meetings have been open to the public and Minutes published, and no Members of the Public had raised any concerns previously.

Decision: In the light of concerns raised the matter will be referred back to the Parish Council for discussion at their next meeting. Clarification is specifically required as to the current position of negotiations between itself and the Charity Trust (owners) and also whether the Steering Group should commence in seeking alternative sites whilst aspects in respect of this site, such as Parking, are investigated further.

Further Note: Parish Council advised the Steering Group that negotiations were on-going and as such a search for an alternative site was not therefore presently required. The continued inclusion of this specific site within the Draft Plan will give NYC Highways the opportunity to provide an opinion as to whether the access arrangements are likely to be satisfactory. Some amendments were made to the wording of the text and Parish Action to reflect this.

Q13. - Section 5.3 - Policy KMLD9 - Do you agree with the policy on Dark Skies?

80 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

Yes: 78 (98%)

Other: 2

1. Please go further and discourage the use of external lights on residences, the school, the church etc. They are all lit externally throughout the night. **Support noted.**

2. Lighting can greatly enhance a building or an amenity and therefore to restrict it to only being “essential” is unnecessarily restrictive. However, I agree that severe spillage beyond the application site is to be restricted. **Justifiable exceptions will be considered (e.g. where required to meet Health and Safety requirements) but support against ‘spillage’ noted.**

Decision: Retain Policy in current form given the overwhelming support.

Q14 - Section 5.3 - Policy KMLD10 - Do you have any input you would like to make about Environmental Biodiversity?

31 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

No/I agree/None: 14

Other: 17

1. Extremely important and to be encouraged and supported whenever possible. **Support noted.**

2. I would support more action to support NBG (Net Biodiversity Gain) **Support noted.**

3. Remove TPO on trees of little environmental benefit e.g. Sycamore widely regarded as a weed - replace with more suitable trees near houses. Q. Where are the TPO trees bordering site on Laverton Road? **If trees with TPOs are causing damage to nearby buildings application should be made to LPA for felling/tree work on these grounds. Information on location of specific trees**

covered by TPOs available on Local Planning Authority website (link provided in document).

4. We need to be aware of the number of trees suffering ash dieback, and how the views will change in many of our roads and hedgerows in the next 5-10 years as trees die and fall. Ringbeck Road will change significantly. A major re-planting of replacements (something wind proof like e.g. rowan?) needs to be undertaken. **Comment noted – regular surveys of trees should be undertaken by landowners (as currently carried out by Parish Council on trees for which it is responsible) and informed decisions taken on replanting.**

5. Wildflower planting of verges/suitable green space areas. **Parish Council has undertaken such work in recent years albeit with differing levels of success – such a scheme will be continued at West End Green.**

6. Would like to see greater monitoring by Environment Agency of slurry spreading against guidelines set by Defra which would reduce impact on natural environment. **This matter should be raised directly with the EA.**

7. Meadow land should be encouraged where possible. **It is hoped that this proposed Policy will help towards the protection of local meadow land.**

8. I agree with the policy. **Support noted.**

9. Look towards managed rewilding as is being practised increasingly - and successfully in terms of biodiversity across the rural / marginal agricultural land locally and nationally. **Referred to in Paragraph 42e – Section 5.3.**

10. Restrictions on hard paving/landscaping % in public places. **Consideration will be given to this in conjunction with Policy KMLD7 if not already adequately covered under Local Plan requirements.**

11. Active involvement of local community in management of biodiversity should be encouraged. **Agreed -see 12 below.**

12. At the Green Day in the village in March we hope to gauge support for establishing a conservation group within the Parish, which would assess tasks, liaise with necessary groups, and further enhance our natural environment. **Parish Council happy to liaise on this.**

13. Recycling – **existing kerbside arrangements considered adequate.**

14. If, as seems likely, the monoculture larch and pine between Dallow and Dallowgill have to be felled, will a requirement to replant with native

broadleaves be imposed? Parish Council will raise this issue with landowners if felling is to take place to achieve solution acceptable to all parties. Tree replanting is becoming increasingly complicated due to the spread of tree diseases in recent years.

15. Parish Action 3. Good to focus on tree protection and I liked the idea of identifying other trees in the area that need protecting. Support noted.

16. We are losing nature at a rapid rate. The village has the potential to further support bat recovery. Recent changes have had a negative impact on local bat populations. Hedgehogs could also thrive in the village with low cost/effort interventions. Agreed - Bats and hedgehogs referred to in Paragraph 42 Section 5.3.

17. Excessive security lighting should be discouraged as it causes a lot of light pollution especially animal/bird habitats where it extends into fields at the side or back of properties. See Dark Skies Policy KMLD9.

Decision: Retain Policy in current form.

Q15. Section 5.4 - Do you think that any Community Facilities other than those listed in Paragraph 10 should be given specific protection? If so, which?

31 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

No/not sure: 16.

Other: 15

1. The Henry Jenkins pub. Property has stood empty and disused for 12 years therefore does not currently meet criteria.

2. Highside Playing Field should be added. Agreed – added to schedule in Paragraph 10.

3. Henry Jenkins pub. See 1 above.

4. Mechanics and Methodist chapel. MIVH already including in schedule. Methodist Chapel currently empty and disused therefore does not meet criteria.

5. Yes - the HSPFA pavilion. See 2 above (includes Pavilion).

- 6.No. Living near to the (end of comment). **Comment unclear.**
7. Myself and others would love some activity for youths, such as a quality mountain bike/BMX pump track. **Parish Action added.**
8. Highside Playing Fields and their purpose. **See 2 above.**
9. Consider including protection and maintenance of Rights of Way in the parish – bridleways are currently generally ok but in many circumstances, footpaths are currently overgrown, diverted or blocked and stiles are not maintained. If RoW footpaths are to be fenced in to protect livestock – provide 2m width footpath minimum. Include the Henry Jenkins in the list of community facilities to be protected. **Footpath/bridleway issues should be reported to NYC. NYC should carry out their responsibilities and ensure that landowners meet theirs. See 1 above re Henry Jenkins.**
10. Highside Playing Fields is mentioned in para 3. It should be added to the list. **See 2 above.**
11. Henry Jenkins requires protection. **See 1 above.**
- 12 No. The reason for losing facilities is that they are not used enough in the first place. For example, the Henry Jenkins – there is no need for another public house in KM. In this economic climate pubs are closing down to lack of support as in Grewelthorpe. **Noted.**
13. The Chip shop. As the site of the old Forge, it has historic interest and there is no (where) else to get a hot meal from. **Agreed to add to list as it is a long-established facility.**
14. Red phone box – book exchange. **Whilst it does provide a service as book exchange it is not of sufficient importance to warrant inclusion.**
15. St Andrews Church – probably already protected? **Added to list.**

Decision: Make revisions to list to add St Andrews Church, Highside Playing Fields/Childrens Play area, and Kirkby Fisheries.

Q16. - Section 5.5 - Parish Action 5 - If you live on or near The Green and have any comments to make on the proposal for a public car park please provide them below - for example the boundaries shown are not definite - do you think it should be bigger/smaller?

42 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

N/A or No: 11

Other: 31

The responses received were a mixture of those supporting the idea and those expressing concerns. The main grounds for concern are grouped together and considered at the end of this section.

1. As a resident living on The Green I'm totally against the proposal of a car park taking away a big part of our lovely Green. Why not make more use of the carparking area by the playground, which is just as handy for parking for the Doctors (and nobody does use it at present for that).
2. It shouldn't be done period never mind boundary sizes. The proposal should be scrapped.
3. Creating a public car park using part of the green will not alleviate any parking issues on the Main Street, except perhaps on junior football days. There is already parking provided at the playing fields that could be used by patients from the doctor's surgery but is not. People would rather park dangerously across and around the junction than walk further than necessary. There are free parking bays on the green on a daily basis that visitors can also use but don't. Residents of the green don't use all of the bays on a night as people are inherently lazy and will not walk from a parking bay to their home.
4. Parking for 25 midsize cars.
5. The access to the Green from Main Street is very narrow/tight, if there is more traffic/ flow through this to the car park, the access will need to be widened. I do not think it should be increased in size as this will decrease the green space in the expanding village boundary.
6. There is a need for more public parking somewhere, though whether the Green is the right place, I'm not sure. Saturday mornings in winter when the football is on is making the Main Street very difficult.

7. Personally wouldn't particularly want to see any electric charging point. I agree a parking area is required.
8. I don't think the Green should have their bit of green space turned into a car park despite the increased parking on Main Street.
9. We need a public car park in the village somewhere. Either The Green or some of the community land plus allotments makes the most sense.
10. Leave as for the present plan.
11. Public car park is good idea.
12. I think it could be bigger. It seems an ideal area to provide parking.
13. Living near to The Green I think it is a very good idea to have some public parking and the proposed size seems reasonable.
14. Turn into a pump track.
15. Ideal location for centralised parking would be the Henry Jenkins deceased public house site.
16. I totally disagree with this proposal, there is already a car park by the Playing Fields that is not used to its full potential. As a resident on The Green it's definitely going to have an impact on the value of my property (I don't relish looking out over a car park). I also feel as the proposed car park could end up being used as a storage area for Motorhomes and works vans and other vehicles. The Green should be left as it is, as its part of village life.
17. Provision of car parking could enhance Kirkby Malzeard significantly. The idea of using The Green will be helpful for events on the Playing Fields but less so for events at the Mechanics. Should the Henry Jenkins reopen as a community facility the car park there could be very helpful to the Mechanics.
18. This shouldn't take away the area of The Green. Organised events should have guides to better control the parking mess. There is enough space on Main Street without creating parking.
19. Access off Main Street towards The Green is poor due to sharp corners and narrow roads. Needs addressing if car park built. Car park should add to visual appearance as part of its design. Pedestrian route there and towards playing fields is poor.

20. I do not think The Green should be made into a public car park. I think the effect would be detrimental to the houses surrounding The Green and to the village as a whole. A better way to utilise this large green space would be to plant an orchard which would provide fresh free local food and enhance the village scene.

21. Need to create more parking

22. What about Blue badge parking? Has this been considered?

23. Good idea as long as not too big. Boundaries shown appear sensible.

24. it is probably a good idea to have a car park on The Green but this will of course impact the amount of Green Space

25. A reasonable solution providing residents are in agreement.

26. I live fairly near The Green and have already said it would be a good idea and think it is a reasonable size.

27. The small area of grass on Back Lane South, opposite the old car park area of Henry Jenkins could accommodate several car parking spaces. The cars would have to come down the one-way system so the cars could be on an angle. Not an ideal spot but it could park maybe four or five cars. Otherwise, is any land available from part of the Playing Field or the School grounds? (If The Green did not go ahead).

28. I live near The Green and am not against having additional parking there, but consideration needs to be given to the flooding that has been happening on Back Lane recently. Putting tarmac over a grassy area will make this problem worse.

29. No extension of parking is required. There are typically free spaces with the exception of sports events. Alternative arrangements which make use of public transport, car sharing, bike or other travel could reduce this occasional impact. Ensuring use of existing facility is being used by those accessing the sports ground would also ensure there is adequate parking. If additional spaces are needed, they could be provided at Highside Playing field to meet the demand for using this space not permanently negatively impact residents who might not even use the sports field. A permanent solution to lose green space for occasional use is nonsensical and damaging to the environment. Residents of The Green and village use The Green daily. Dog walkers exercise on it. If this is

reduced further, then it could lead to more dogs using the park inappropriately which would be a risk to recreational use.

30. Understand that there are issues re football parking however strongly disagree with additional parking on The Green. Green Space should be preserved.

31. I live on The Green and I'm all for it. It's ridiculous when the children's football is on. I'm surprised there hasn't been a bad accident before now.

Summary of points raised:

a) Alternative areas providing public parking are already available e.g. at the Playing Fields or in the existing bays provided for residents.

View of Steering Group: In both instances these areas are needed for their principle use i.e. for those using the Playing Fields and for residents parking. The additional area provided by the new car park would supplement these usages and provide additional space for those using the Doctors. Currently there are vehicles regularly parked over sections of pavements on The Green, Main Street and Back Lane and they would be able to park in this car park instead, making pavements fully usable for pedestrians. The fact that those using the Doctors do not park in the residents parking spaces at present is because they are intended for residents use only and are not seen by anyone else as being available for others to use.

b) Loss of green space.

View of Steering Group: The area suggested is approximately one third of the total area of the existing grassed area and the proposed car park would form part of an improved design for The Green as a whole. If residents wished for example to retain the remaining area as open grass (about which there have been previous complaints that it is not cut regularly and cuttings not cleared away), then this could be kept in that form but other suggestions such as a community garden or orchard etc could also be considered. The final use of the sizeable remaining area would be determined by the residents of The Green, subject to the approval of NYC as owners.

c) Existing access road inadequate.

View of Steering Group: The current access road from Main Street to The Green is felt to be of adequate width for the proposed use but advice on improvements if needed would be obtained from NYC Highways. If public

electric charging points were provided this would be a very useful additional facility for those who live in the vicinity including those living on The Green.

d) Potential adverse effect on the value of the five properties directly overlooking the car park.

View of Steering Group: It is felt that if there was any negative effect this would be more than outweighed by having additional parking available for those houses immediately to the front.

e) Hardstanding area created by car park may add to localised flooding issues.

View of Steering Group: It is agreed that the surface will need to be designed to be a permeable surface. An amendment has been made to Policy KMLD7 so that this would apply to hardstanding parking areas on any new developments.

f) Effect on disabled users visiting Doctors.

View of Steering Group: It is envisaged that parking directly in front of the Doctors surgery would be restricted to disabled users only, in conjunction with this scheme.

Decision: Retain Policy in current form as it is felt that the concerns raised can be fully resolved when the parking area is designed.

Q17. - If you wish to comment on any other element of the Draft Plan please do so below:

36 RESPONSES TO THIS QUESTION

None/No or N/a: 4

Other: 32

1. I would like to thank those who obviously spent a great deal of time and effort putting this together. **Support noted.**

2 I agree with Plan. **Support noted.**

3. I completely agree with the Draft Plan. **Support noted.**

4. The infrastructure is already at full capacity. Facilities such as the Doctors and School are stretched and cannot cope with more housing. It will damage the natural environment and Kirkby Malzeard culture. **No Policies included in**

NP which would encourage further large-scale housing. Stakeholder Consultation with School and Doctors did not indicate that any serious problems are envisaged as a result of new housing already allocated. The School has the capacity to welcome new pupils and the Doctors would adapt staffing arrangements to accommodate the increase in Patients.

5. The Draft Plans reflect my own opinion that further housing should not be built. The infrastructure is already overstretched. It is important that the village of KM is preserved and not diluted further. **Support noted.**

6. Small point - under local amenities - you could add in Himalayan Gardens, Bog Hall. **Himalayan Gardens are not within this NP area. Bogs Hall is not currently functioning as a Riding Stables and would not therefore meet the criteria.**

7. Think you have all done a good job, the dark sky initiative I find interesting as personally annoyed by extra LED lighting that seems to light up not just a residents area, but beyond. I used to have owls in my garden, no longer. Sewerage capacity and waterfall of newly developed land is a big issue that needs to be addressed by the developers who seem to be very good at glossing over potential “problems” Thank you for trying. **Support noted. Parish Council will endeavour to ensure that developers meet the Planning conditions attached to the Consents.**

8. Are you sure that this will prevent future developments like Laverton Oaks happening at the wrong end of the village. **The NP reflects the views of the community which is that no more large-scale housing should be carried out within Kirkby Malzeard. No significant extensions to the Development Limits are being proposed within this document but if applications are made in the future for small scale sites at the western end of the village the Parish Council is aware that this would lead to additional traffic on Main Street and additional usage of the sewerage system through the main part of the village. It would therefore object to any such sites in that general area. It will also closely monitor any allocations of housing land made when next Local Plan is being created.**

9. I don't think I really understand the criteria in the section of the report that Q5 is asking about. **This concerned the qualifications to be met by those applying for affordable housing through a Housing Association on sites such as Laverton Oaks e.g. where they currently lived or had connections with. We did**

feel that the section was clearly written and an opportunity for clarification was provided at the open meeting.

10. This has taken a very long time to produce since we all completed the first questionnaire. It's clear it's taken a lot of work but I don't think you have consulted with residents enough on the document. One open morning on a Saturday is not enough for explanation of a very wordy document when residents are not experts in planning policy. **In addition to the open meeting all Steering Group and Parish Council meetings are open to the public, so it is felt that there have been regular opportunities to raise queries since the process commenced. There will be a further opportunity when the Regulation 14 Consultation stage is reached later this year.**

11. Let's allow Mr Fielder to build his houses and put an end to the issue of the Henry Jenkins. It's an eyesore. Consider allotments or parking or both on the community field. **Comments noted. The Henry Jenkins building has been added to the Non-Designated Heritage Assets list as a result of this consultation process and if it is ultimately redeveloped for housing it is hoped that the design will therefore accommodate the retention of the frontage as far as practical.**

12. 1) Holiday lets- I do not agree that this is not currently a concern and can be left until a future date. The village does not have enough facilities to support a significant increase in tourism, so I believe the PC needs a policy now to restrict the number of holiday lets to a number to be determined. **There is no obvious reason why our local area should see a further significant increase in tourism but the issue will be considered again when the NP is reviewed in the future.** 2) Hospitality facilities – we are sadly lacking in these (currently only the Queens Head) and with 37 houses to be constructed the need increases. Any proposal to improve this should be prioritised and actively encouraged (the Henry Jenkins is not a solution for several reasons). **If an application were made which would add to hospitality facilities this would be considered in line with the Policy KMLD11.** 3) Any development must not increase off (on?) street parking – this is already a major issue and should therefore mean that unless parking is provided the development will be refused. **It is intended that the Policies in Sections 5.1 and 5.5, in addition to existing Policies within the Local Plan would have this effect.** 4) The Plan needs to include robust processes to avoid or discourage developments which result in 'perpetual dereliction'. The Henry Jenkins is a good example of this – a derelict carbuncle in one of the most

prime aspects of the village, empty and deteriorating for 13 years and possibly many more to come, with no prospect of resolution. I believe that where Main Street or any other important areas of the village (just as Church Street) is concerned the need for rules to avoid allowing deterioration of this kind is imperative. **The issue of the future of the Henry Jenkins has proved to be very complex and divisive within the community and once it is resolved it may then be possible to reflect the outcome within an appropriate Policy within the NP to prevent such an unwanted situation arising again.**

13. So much hard work and a great result. Well done. **Support noted.**

14. Pump track – much thanks. **Parish Action added.**

15. There seems to be no specific mention of improving pedestrian access around the village. It's important that people can walk safely throughout the village, at all times. Many cars park on the pavement (blocking wheelchair or pushchair routes) and dog fouling is a regular occurrence. A lot of the pedestrian issues are made worse by minimal or completely absent street lighting. The south side of the Main Street is almost entirely without street lighting along its entire length, as are the Back Lanes. This is not safe and not conducive to making pedestrians (especially women and children) feel safe walking in the dark. There are modern street lighting solutions available that are low impact and in keeping with the dark sky concept but provide valuable illumination where it is needed. **As the comments on the adequacy of street lighting in Kirkby Malzeard are considered valid Paragraph 6 of Section 5.5 has been amended to include specific reference to this matter.**

16. I think the land to the east of the playing fields, behind The Green, the council bungalows, and St Andrews rising up to Ivy Bank campsite should be added to the development plan for the future. **The view of the community is that the Village Developments Limits should not be significantly extended.** Small family homes, affordable, max of three bedrooms, suit local families, walk way direct to village, playing fields and footpath network, cycle track, paved walk way along existing footpath from playing fields to Laverton Lane. Paved walk way. Cycle track. Bridleway up existing footpath. To cemetery a safe place to walk. And dry. Winters are getting wetter. Vehicular access from Galphay Road. Thus, reducing the rat run down Kirkby Street. Pumped new sewerage pipe up to Galphay road. No new strain on village already at capacity sewerage system. Family homes. Safe walking to play area to school and shops.

A number of the matters raised here have been reflected within Policies and Parish Actions within the NP.

17. A rather weighty document for members of the public to complete. Not everyone is confident with this amount of paperwork. I understand that there was a surgery held on Saturday 20th January in the Mechanics. Would be good to know how successful this was. **The event was well publicised but it was expected that a greater number of residents might have wished to attend. The majority of responses received to this consultation are supportive and we therefore conclude that the community is satisfied with the overall contents of the Draft NP. Further consultation will take place later in the year.** Initiate speed restriction to 20mph on Main Street and establish parking restrictions on the narrower sections of the Street. Particularly those areas with limited night time illumination. **Individual suggestions will be considered as part of the overall Highway Safety policy of the Parish Council – Parish Action 4.**

18. Q7 – yes depending on location – not remote ones. Well done everyone. **See response to item 26 below. Support noted.**

19 1) In November 2023 back Lane flooded due to blocked drains next to the bungalows . Council brought sandbags as gardens opposite were flooded and cleaned drains. Millions of leaves every autumn so any surface of a proposed car park in that area MUST have a POROUS surface with adequate drainage. My own drain in Back Lane has been cleaned out for the first time in 15 years or so and produced 6” of pure compost due to the amount of seeds and leaves. 2) Traffic to junior football training on Saturday/Sunday at Sports Pavilion is horrendous. Large 4x4’s with one parent and one child causes immediate disruption to locals. Children tend to come from Ripon so why can’t Atkinsons Coaches pick them up in Ripon and return them after training? **Points noted – please see review of responses in Q16.**

20. The proposed parking facility on The Green would ensure that Main Street is less congested at certain times of the day/week which I fully support. **Noted – see review of responses in Q16.**

21. Thanks to all involved for their time on this! **Support noted.**

22 I think it’s extremely important that any infill development regardless of its purpose should not remove off street parking. This is happening too frequently and given the problem of parking on the Main Street I feel that any

development that results in an increase in cars parked on the Main Street should be refused. **See item 12 above.**

23 I have read the draft Plan. **Noted.**

24 I am happy with the content. **Support noted.**

25 Down the Back Lane from K5 is a blue line around where already a house is situated? Is this correct? **Yes -the intention is to rationalise the Development Limits by including exiting housing – see Section 5.1.**

26 Re-use of redundant agricultural buildings as residential – I have ticked ‘no’ because I don’t think blanket support is appropriate. Such buildings near existing roads, yes absolutely, but if access is unlimited for increased traffic, then I don’t think such buildings should be converted. **Agreed to amend wording of Policy KMLD4 to reflect this – see Question 7.**

27, I hope NYC will take notice of the Plan and not simply ignore if it suits. Any new development needs to be in natural stone that matches the village and not an artificial alternative. I would like to see footpaths constructed alongside any new developments e.g. on the Laverton Road beyond Back Lane to the end of the new housing site and alongside the Dairy if it is to be redeveloped. The proposed site for allotments needs to be a priority if acceptable to the people living adjacent to the land. **These points have been reflected in Policies.**

28. Future housing and local facilities. Who will be responsible for enlarging the Doctors surgery, the School, maintenance of the Mechanics Institute, and expanding the Playing Field facilities. Should developers shoulder these responsibilities? **There is a system of Commuted sums and Community Infrastructure Levy payments which are intended to ensure that developers contribute to local facilities such as schools, village halls and sports grounds. The Doctors receives separate NHS funding based on patient numbers.**

29. ‘Appearance of buildings to be inherently traditional’ - Whilst I would generally support this, it could result in long term design stagnation. **The original consultation indicated that 64% of those responding favoured traditional design and construction.**

30. Excellent idea in the Plan, well done for all the hard work that has gone into this. Love the Dark Skies policy. **Support noted.**

31 Section 5.3- With the frequency of ash trees in the Parish a full survey should be undertaken of ash die back and mitigation action taken. Many trees

are in a dangerous brittle state now including one in the play park – REPLACEMENT of these trees should be in the Plan. We are in a low wooded area and once the ash are gone the percentage standards will be very low. See paragraph 54 in Section 5.4. – the Parish Council does carry out a regular condition survey of trees for which it is responsible including the Ash tree in the Children’s Play Area.

32. Please prioritise somewhere for parking. See proposed public parking area – Section 5.5.