



# NORTH FERRIBY PARISH PLAN

## Summary of Household Survey Results and Parish Plan Implications

Survey Response	Parish Plan Implications
<b>Overall Response Characteristics</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A response of 785 completed questionnaires with data from 1,528 people - 40 % of the parish population - was achieved</li> <li>• Slightly more older people (60+) and fewer young people (12-30) responded than in the village population as a whole</li> <li>• About 60 % of respondents work full or part time or attend education or training.</li> <li>• The most important reasons for living here relate to suitable housing (47%); availability of work locally (33%); and local schooling (28%).</li> <li>• The best things people like about living here are the pleasant area (76%); river and foreshore (57%); Friendly village atmosphere (64%) and the village's accessibility to Hull (45%) and the wider region (50%).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The village response was excellent, and its overall representativeness more than adequate to draw conclusions from in order to guide the village in its future planning.</li> <li>• Some of the household characteristics information will need to be included as background in the Plan.</li> </ul>
<b>Housing</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A substantial proportion (46%) thought that no new housing is needed.</li> <li>• Nevertheless, significant numbers saw the need for more affordable/ low cost/starter homes (22%); homes for the retired/ elderly (19%); warden controlled housing (16%); family homes (16%); and fewer also for homes for the disabled, for single people, and executive homes.</li> <li>• Relatively few people felt that infilling in gardens (9%) or replacing large houses with several smaller ones (14%) would be appropriate.</li> <li>• Various possible housing development areas were mentioned, east, west and north of the main built area of the village.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is a case for opposing any new housing except for affordable housing for local people, and that for the elderly and/ or disabled.</li> <li>• There is no significant support for extending the village boundaries to provide new housing.</li> <li>• Possible project initiatives could be to promote an affordable housing scheme and sheltered housing for the elderly.</li> <li>• The areas mentioned for possible new development require further evaluation against identified needs and current planning policies.</li> </ul>
<b>Conservation</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Over 80% of people thought it very important to preserve the character of the village generally. Only 8 respondents felt that this was not important.</li> <li>• The two Conservation Areas were seen as very or fairly important by 70% of respondents.</li> <li>• 202 people thought that the Conservation Areas should be extended, but 368 did not agree; although over 62 % did not respond to this question.</li> <li>• The riverside walkway and Humber foreshore were seen as important to protect by around ¾ of respondents. Long Plantation and the Reeds Pond were mentioned by around half of respondents; and Ings Field and Blasket Pond also received significant response.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conservation attracts very strong public support and should be seen as a village wide issue.</li> <li>• The public access areas are all valued and further work needed to protect them would be likely to be supported.</li> </ul>

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<b>Environment and Amenity</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The most important ways in which people felt North Ferriby could be made more attractive were the removal of litter (63%) and the enforcement of dog fouling penalties (57%).</li> <li>• The prevention of vehicle damage to verges was also important to 41% of respondents.</li> <li>• 56% thought that the provision of more litter bins would be acceptable, and 37% supported the idea of voluntary litter wardens.</li> <li>• There was strong support for having a bottle bank in the village (72%), and for a cardboard skip (59%) and clothing bank (38%).</li> <li>• Whilst 30% considered there is a need for public conveniences in the village, over 43 % did not.</li> <li>• Some 55% of people felt likely to be affected to some extent, or slightly, by climate change and sea level rise. However, for 115 people (7.5%) this was a serious concern. 25% felt unlikely to be affected at all.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An extended litter picking project may have public support.</li> <li>• The success of the East Riding Council's proposals for countering dog fouling will need to be monitored, particularly the adequacy of the warden arrangements.</li> <li>• Liaison with ERYC about local waste disposal services is needed to improve collection services for glass, cardboard and clothing.</li> <li>• The Plan will need to reflect the potential impact on the village of sea level rises due to climate change, and to promote action to maintain and improve the river defences, both immediately and to meet future increases in risk.</li> </ul>
<b>Shops and Services</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Co-op and newsagents are clearly the most frequented local shop, with 28% of respondents using them on a daily basis. Nearly 50% use the Co-op and 41% the newsagents on a weekly basis.</li> <li>• The chemists and Post Office also show strong weekly use by 38% and 55% of respondents respectively.</li> <li>• Virtually no-one said they never used the above services.</li> <li>• Generally people said they use the local services for convenience, to save time and because they feel a commitment to support them, particularly for last minute items (60%).</li> <li>• People shop out of the village to buy products not available here, or for greater choice and lower prices.</li> <li>• There is some support for the idea of a farmers' market but less for a craft centre or fair.</li> <li>• There is little suggestion that additional visitor accommodation is needed to serve village needs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The need to retain local shops and services should be covered in the Plan. Assistance to improve accessibility and parking may be helpful if there are opportunities to do so.</li> <li>• The possibility of using the Village Hall for craft fairs should be examined further.</li> <li>• Since the Humber Bridge Farmers Market is now operating successfully on a monthly basis, there is no need to pursue this within the village.</li> <li>• Demand for further visitor accommodation would be likely to be related to the wider Hull area. However, if acceptable proposals came forward they could help to support and retain local businesses.</li> </ul>
<b>Transport Services</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Generally, people said they use their own motor transport to get in or out of the village (76%). There is still substantial use of the train (19%), bus (16%), cycling (10%) and walking (18%).</li> <li>• Half of respondents said they use the train occasionally, and 26% never. Only 7% use it daily or weekly.</li> <li>• Generally, users of the rail service rate its reliability and frequency as good or average, except for the Sunday services, which are poor. Cleanliness is also rated as good or average. Facilities for disabled people and those with prams and pushchairs are generally average, and for bicycles, average to poor.</li> <li>• People would like to see more services stop in Ferriby, with the London (44%), York (44%) and Leeds/ Manchester (39/29%) services all mentioned regularly.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The possibility of further rail services stopping in Ferriby should continue to be pursued, combined with improved London connections with Brough.</li> <li>• Service improvements for bicycle, pram and pushchair users and for disabled train users are needed.</li> <li>• There is a need at least to maintain the present level of bus services to the village for those people who do not have access to a private car.</li> <li>• A bus service to Beverley has been introduced on Tuesdays and Fridays, but there is a need to monitor its use. A further examination of user's views of the best days and times for the service, perhaps particularly to coincide with market days, could be helpful.</li> </ul>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 57% of respondents said they never use bus services, and a further 21% only occasionally. Only 8% use them daily or weekly.</li> <li>• Most users felt the location of bus stops, service reliability and frequency, and cleanliness to be good or average. The frequency of Sunday services is seen as average.</li> <li>• Facilities for the disabled and pram and pushchair users were also seen as good or average.</li> <li>• The need for a bus service to Beverley was raised. 40% said they would never use it, and 36% said they would use it only occasionally. Only 6% (91 people) would use it weekly. Morning departures and afternoon returns were predictably favoured.</li> <li>• 163 people (11%) expressed interest in a car-sharing scheme, although 44% would definitely not be interested.</li> <li>• Views on the adequacy of car parking in the village were mixed, with 38% agreeing, 32% disagreeing, and 29% don't know or did not respond.</li> <li>• Traffic calming measures would be considered beneficial by 43% of respondents, against 33% who disagreed. The most favoured measures were a 20 mph speed limit (25%) and flashing warning signs (20%). Favoured locations for such measures were Church Road, High Street and New Walk.</li> <li>• There was relatively strong support both for improvements to the foreshore footpath route (40%), and for a cycle path along Ferriby High Road (33%)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Further traffic calming measures, particularly in respect of speed limits and warning signs, should be explored.</li> <li>• Opportunities to improve facilities for walkers and cyclists should also be explored.</li> <li>• Further consideration should be given to ways of encouraging the greater use of public transport, cycling and walking.</li> </ul>
<b>Recreation, Sport and Leisure</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The most popular village organisation was the British Legion followed by the Football Club and the Twinning Association.</li> <li>• Correspondents were divided over the provision of regular film shows (45% in favour, 38% against and 17% did not answer)</li> <li>• 68% would support a regular Ferriby Festival.</li> <li>• 652 (43%) of respondents use the village hall. Only 22% rated the main hall as good or excellent and only 16% gave that rating to the kitchen.</li> <li>• 692 respondents (45%) would agree to an increase in the Parish Council precept to finance redevelopment or improvements to the Village Hall with more than 13% being prepared to pay an extra £25.00 or more.</li> <li>• Those who used the Playing Fields for football, cricket or bowls rated them as satisfactory but the tennis courts were considered poor or bad by 167 respondents.</li> <li>• The children's Play Park and the Skate Park received general approval but 35 and 33 people respectively found them poor or bad.</li> <li>• Access to the Playing Fields facilities was a problem for 121 people and car parking was poor or bad for 200 respondents.</li> <li>• 50% of the respondents use the Library facilities. Although 527 users approved of the range of adult books, only 320 gave a good rating to the choice of books for children.</li> <li>• 97% of users approved of the access to computers in the library.</li> <li>• 13% of users found the opening hours to be unsatisfactory.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There is a very large range of activities available for people in the village. A handbook of activities and voluntary groups could be a useful development.</li> <li>• The British Legion and the Football Club facilities and the Library are important to the village and the Plan needs to reflect this.</li> <li>• The village hall is well used and improvements to it would have general support. Further uses for film shows etc could be explored in the context of its developing function as a community centre.</li> <li>• The future improvement and/or redevelopment of the village hall needs a more substantial investigation and debate.</li> <li>• Further improvements to the playing fields would seem likely to gain support, particularly if access and parking could be improved. The tennis courts are particularly seen as needing improvement.</li> <li>• Further improvements to library services could be considered in the context of the village hall's future.</li> </ul>

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<b>Medical Facilities</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1181 respondents (77%) considered the retention of G. P. services in the Village to be very important.</li> <li>• 54% rated the number of surgeries per week to be good or excellent. 40% considered the making of appointments to be good or excellent with the same rating being given to the length of the wait.</li> <li>• If their GP surgery were to close 26% (406 respondents) would not easily be able to access a doctor elsewhere.</li> <li>• 113 people find it difficult travelling to a dentist outside the area. However, most respondents said this was very or fairly easy.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The response offers general support for the current moves to relocate a doctors' practice into the former Lifeboat shop at the village hall.</li> <li>• Any longer-term redevelopment of the village hall should also incorporate medical practices.</li> <li>• Further attempts to locate a dental practice in the village would also be supported by the survey results.</li> </ul>
<b>Facilities for the Elderly and the Young</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 265 respondents (17%) considered there were inadequate facilities for older people. A day centre was the most popular suggestion with a social club and outings/excursions being almost as popular.</li> <li>• 345 respondents (23%) thought there were insufficient facilities for young persons. A youth club for 7-10 year olds was the most favoured choice with play equipment for 7-13 year olds being the runner up.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A project to develop further facilities for older people could be pursued.</li> <li>• A social club for the elderly, and/ or further youth club facilities, could be based in existing hall premises.</li> <li>• Leaders and organisers for new activities for young and old are needed. A wider involvement of local community and voluntary organisations for these groups may need to be pursued.</li> <li>• Improvements to play equipment are being commissioned by the Playing Fields Management Group following a separate East Riding of Yorkshire Council sponsored survey of young people in the village.</li> </ul>

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**The full statistical analysis of the questionnaire results and data on individual topics are available separately.**

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