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**Consulting towards a Community
Plan**

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	Emily Rothwell
	Christopher Widger



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Programme

Introduction

Cllr Alan Clarke, NAPC Chairman

Purpose of Today's Meeting

John Patterson, NALF Event Chairman

Parish Plan Survey & Recommendation

Peter Knowles, NALF Steering Group Member

Questions & Comments

Voting on Priorities During Refreshments

Broadband Improvement Plans

Andrew Arditti, Connecting Cheshire Partnership

Future of Alderley Park

Graeme Bristow, AZ Site Manager & Chris Doherty, Vice President AZ Site Lead

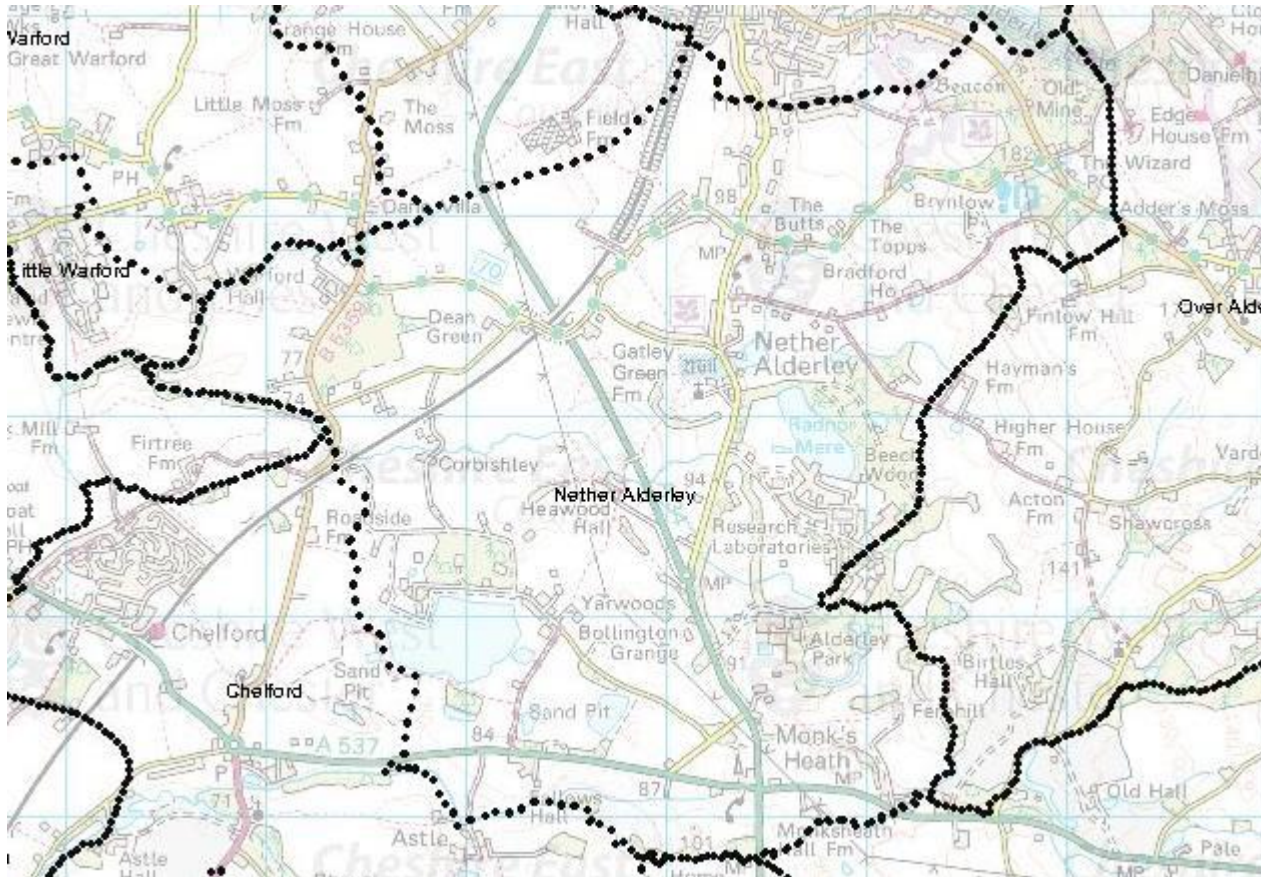


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Alan Clarke

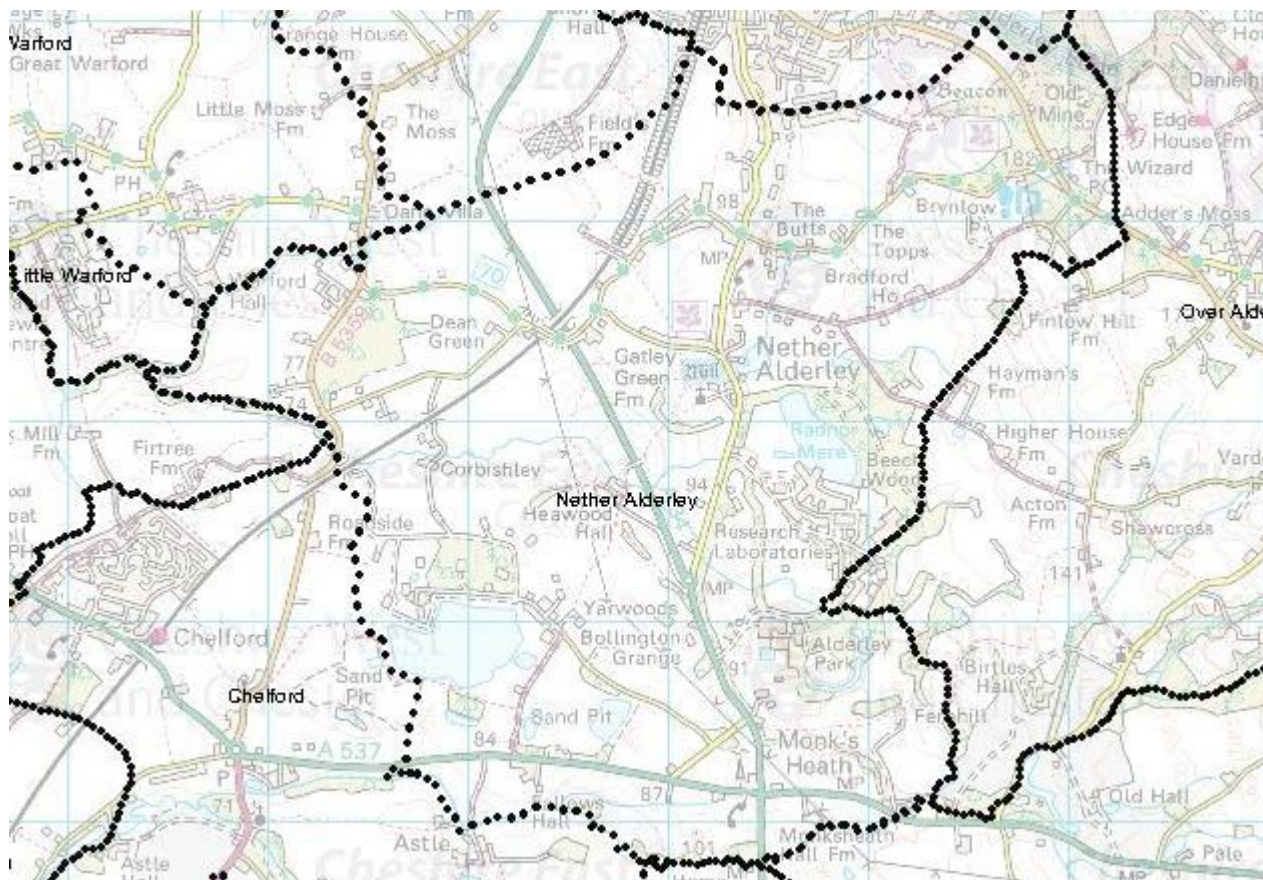
Chairman, Nether Alderley Parish Council



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John Patterson

NALF Event Chairman



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Purpose of Today's Meeting

- Introduce idea of 'Community Led Planning'
- Share results of the Parish Survey
- Discuss Community Plan Recommendations
- Agree 'Priorities'
- Seek volunteers for 'Working Groups'



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What is Community Led Planning?

An opportunity to

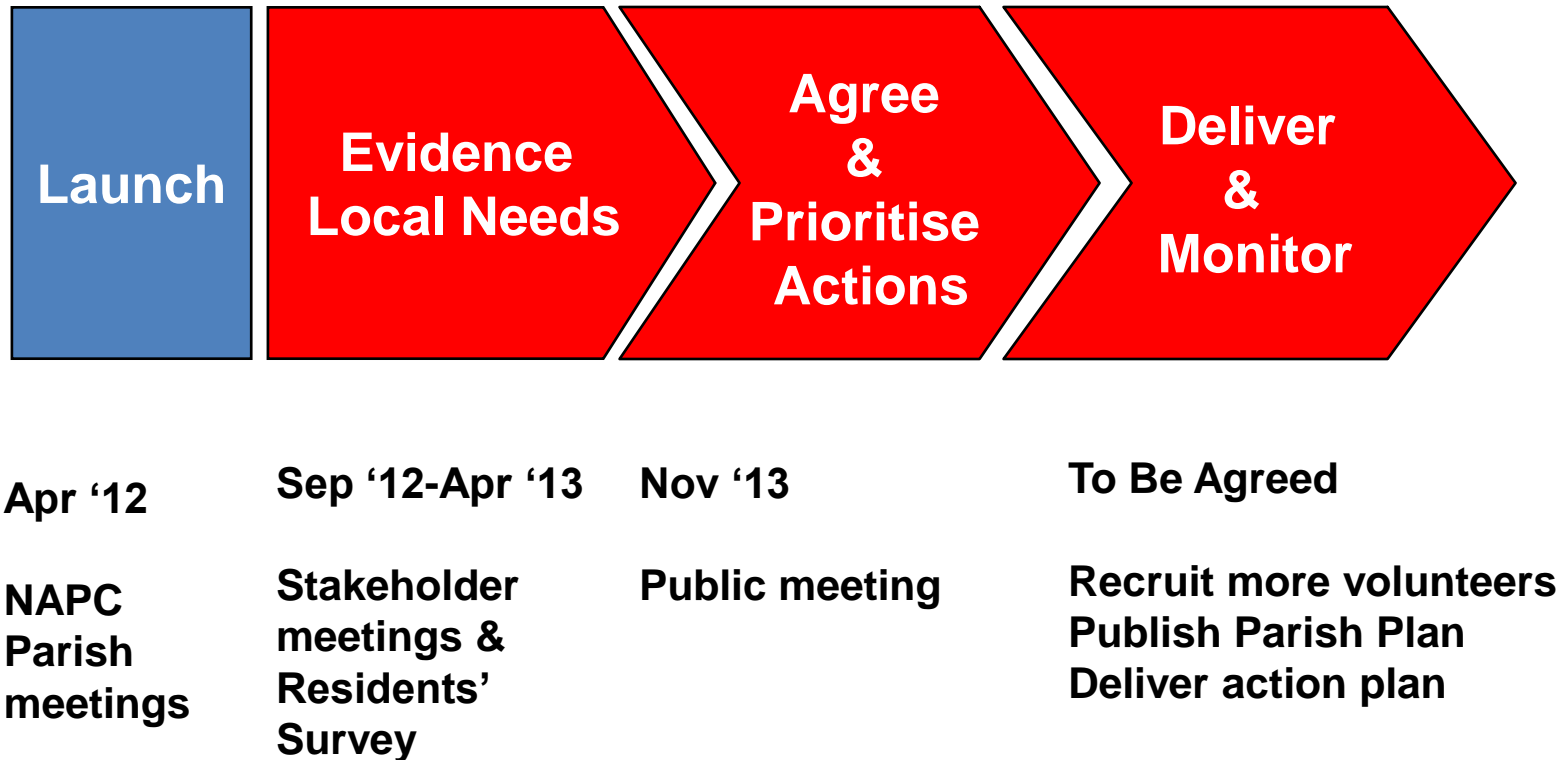
- empower local communities to improve their localities
- take advantage of newly acquired ‘rights’



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What's involved?



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Survey Free Draw Prize Winners

**Adult Survey – Bottle of Champagne
Helga Henry**

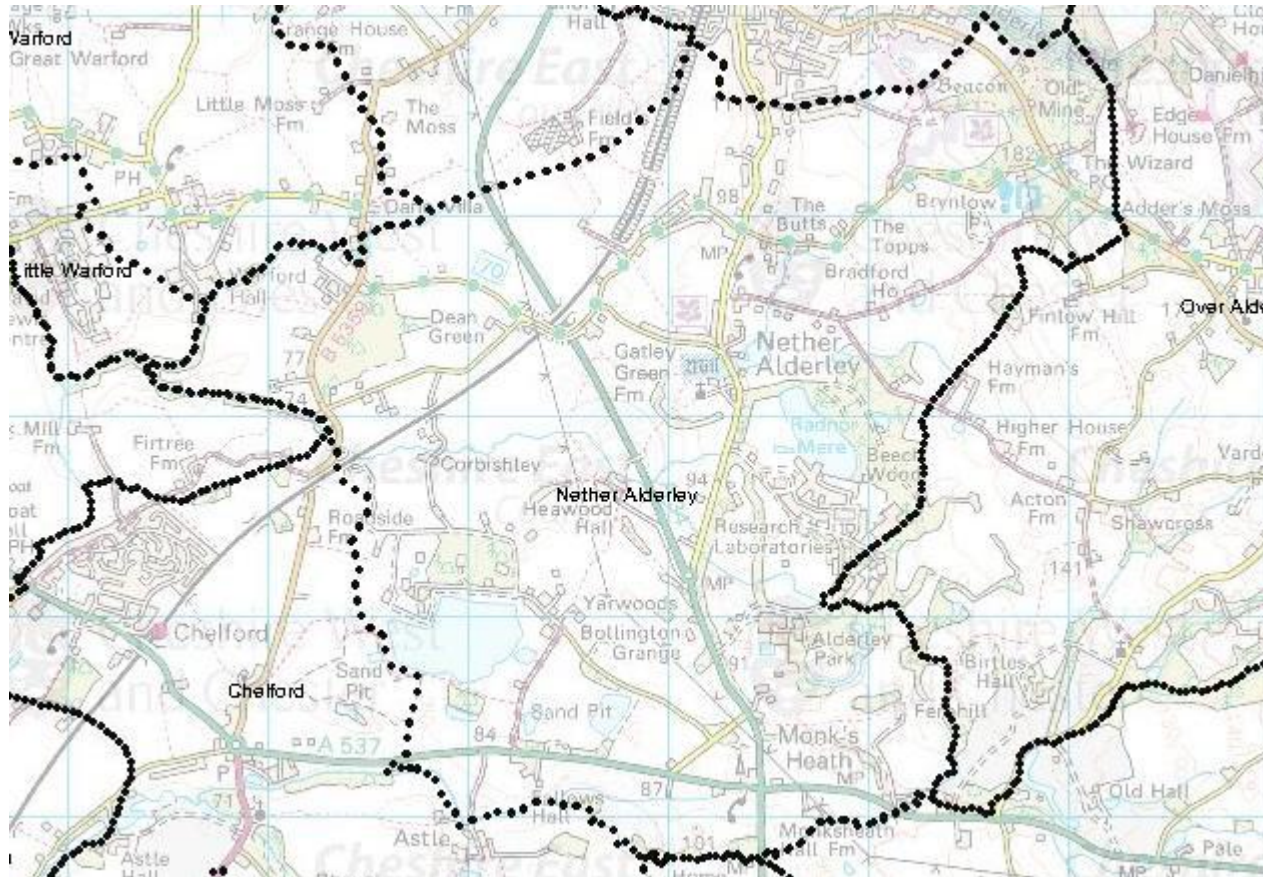
**Under 18's Survey – iTunes Voucher
Gary Lindsay**



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Peter Knowles

NALF Steering Group Member



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Discussions with Residents

Most Value and Want to Protect



Improvements needed to make a better community



Most Dislike and Want to Change



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Discussions with Local Organisations

- The Rector, St Mary's Church
- Neighbourhood Policing Unit
- AstraZeneca
- Mary Dendy Unit
- National Trust

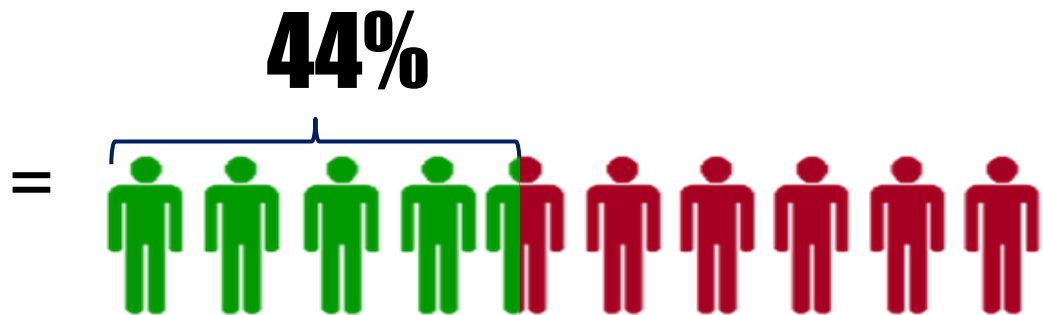


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Residents' Survey

- Detailed results: www.netheralderleyparish.com
- Robust response

243 Adults



+ 36 Children



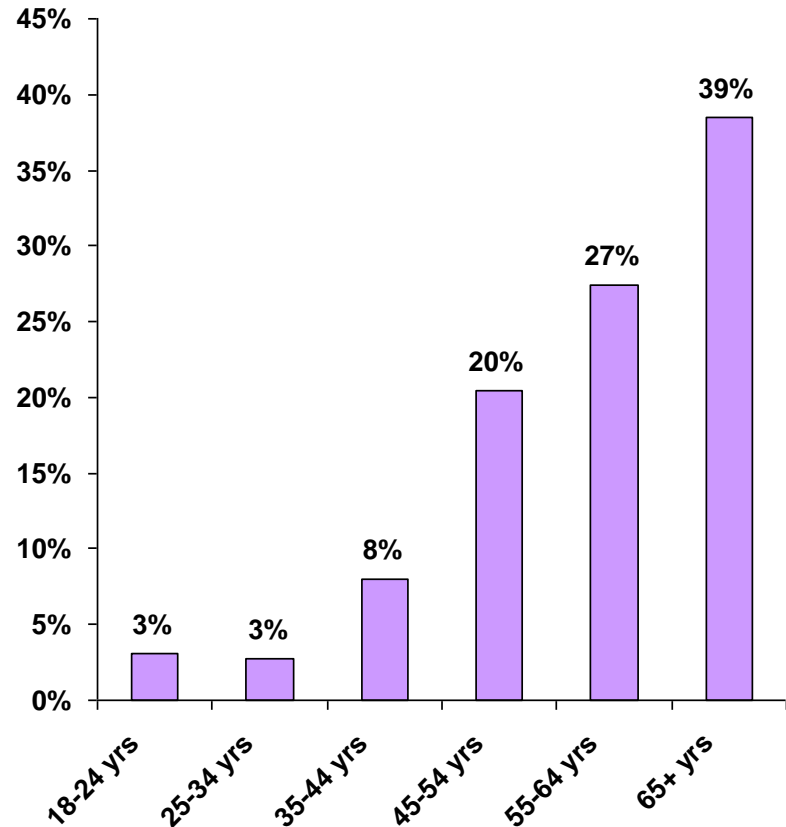
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Parish Profile

66%

aged 55+



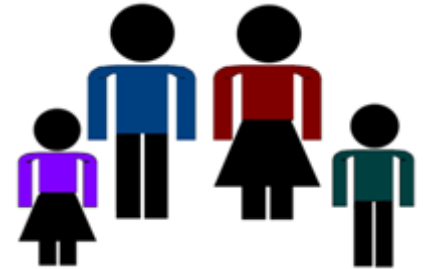
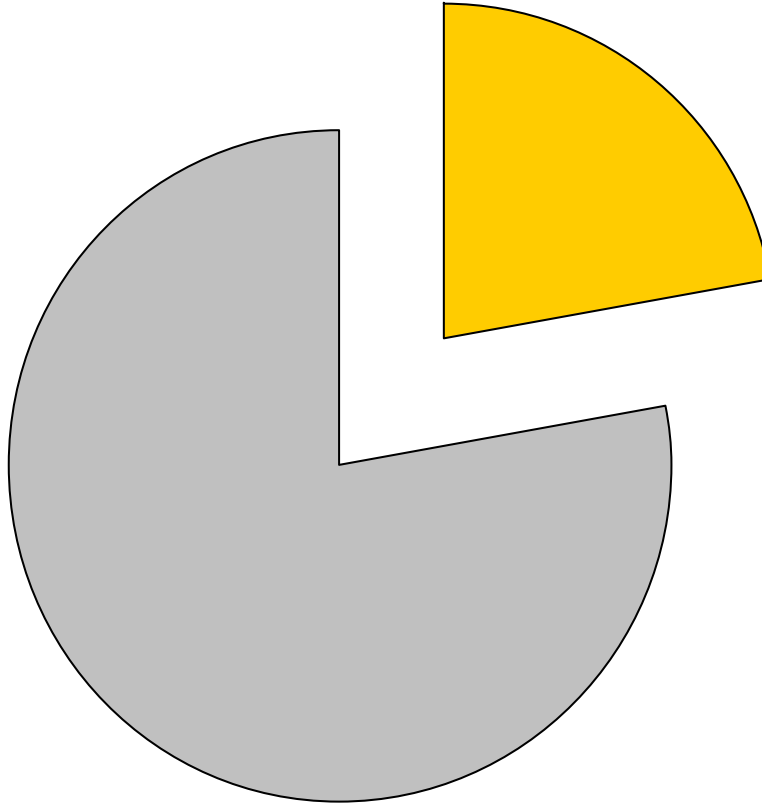
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Parish Profile

78%

**Without children
at home**



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Parish Profile

90%

connected to the internet

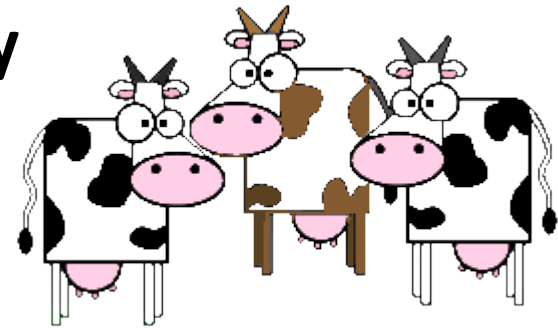


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Parish Profile

Dispersed, semi-rural community



**Highly dependent on
personal transport**



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Parish Profile



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Regional Dependence

Which  is used ?



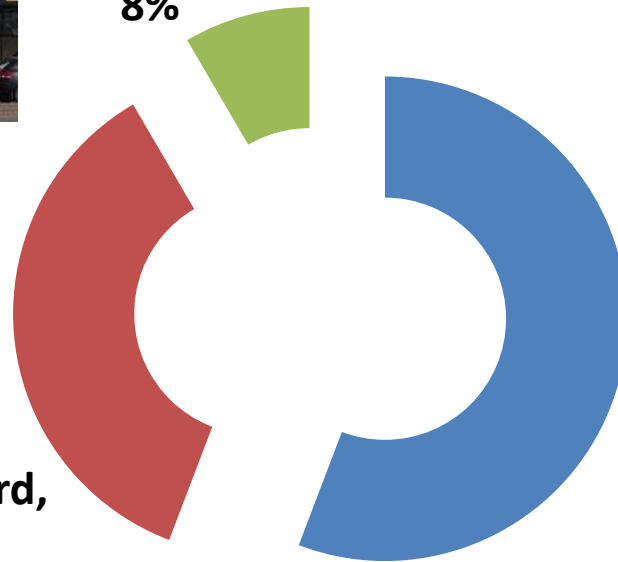
Wilmslow,
8%



Chelford,
34%



Alderley
Edge, 53%

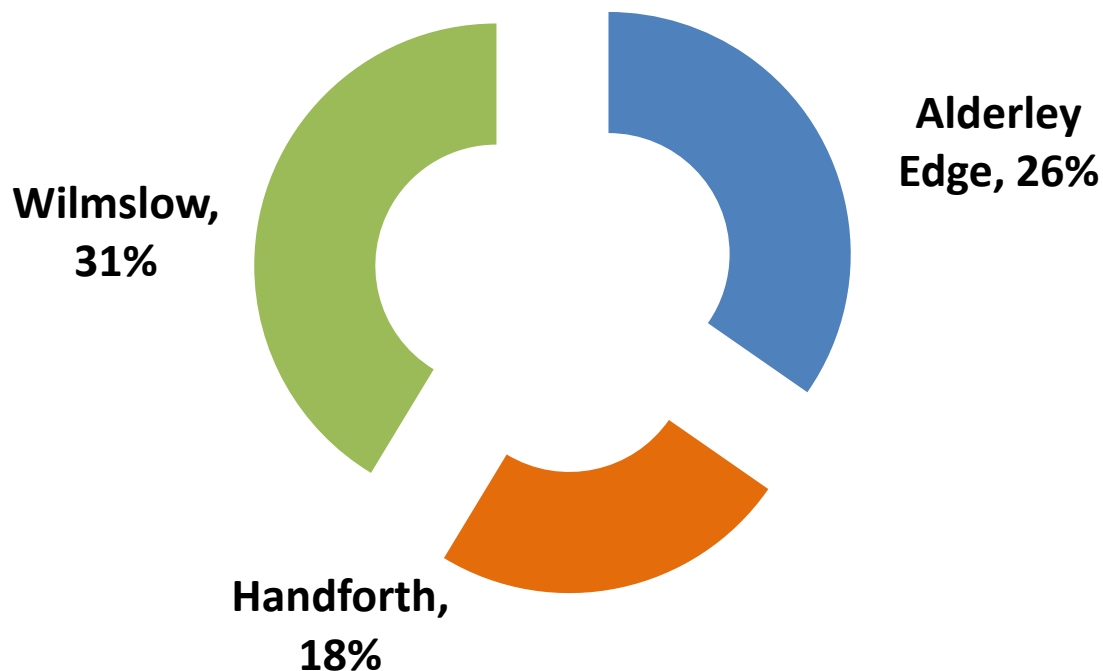


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Regional Dependence

Where is main supermarket shopping done?



.....and depends on a car



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Parish Profile



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Respondents' Overall Perception

98%

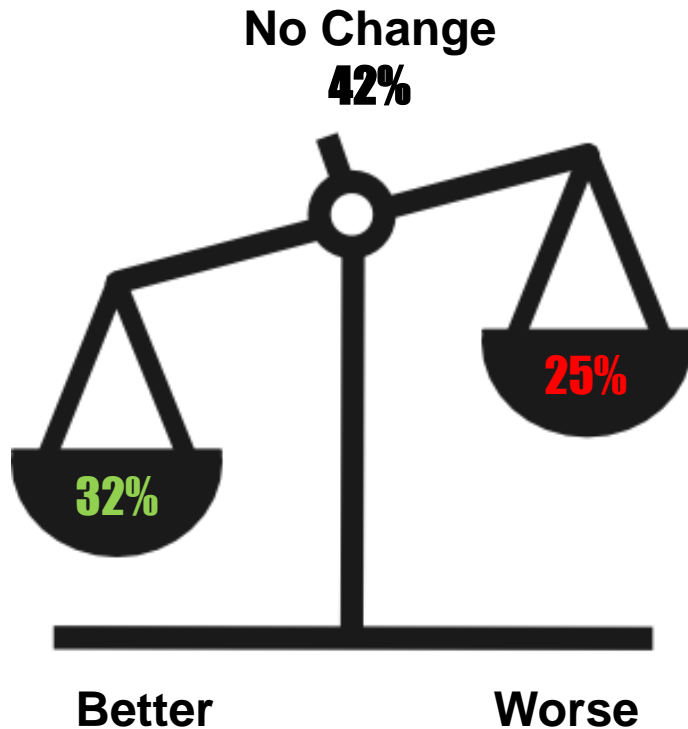
Happy with life in Nether Alderley



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Respondents' Outlook



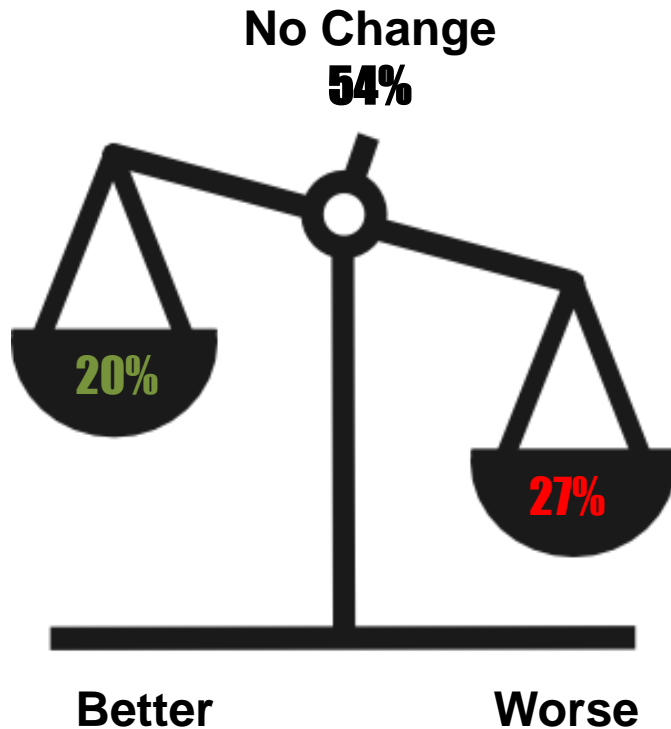
On balance life in
Nether Alderley has
IMPROVED
over last 2-3 years



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Respondents' Outlook



But the future is
expected to be
WORSE



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What do residents value?

Rural Surroundings



Peace & Quiet

Privacy & Low Density Housing

54%



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Concerns for the Green Belt



Past plans for a retail gardening superstore on the bypass raised anxieties about local development



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Development



92% oppose development other than in-fill and brownfield

79% oppose significant new housing development

73% oppose replacing large old houses with higher density

53% oppose any commercial development in the Green Belt



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Safety & Security



82% consider Nether Alderley a safe place to live

27% are already in a Neighbourhood Watch scheme

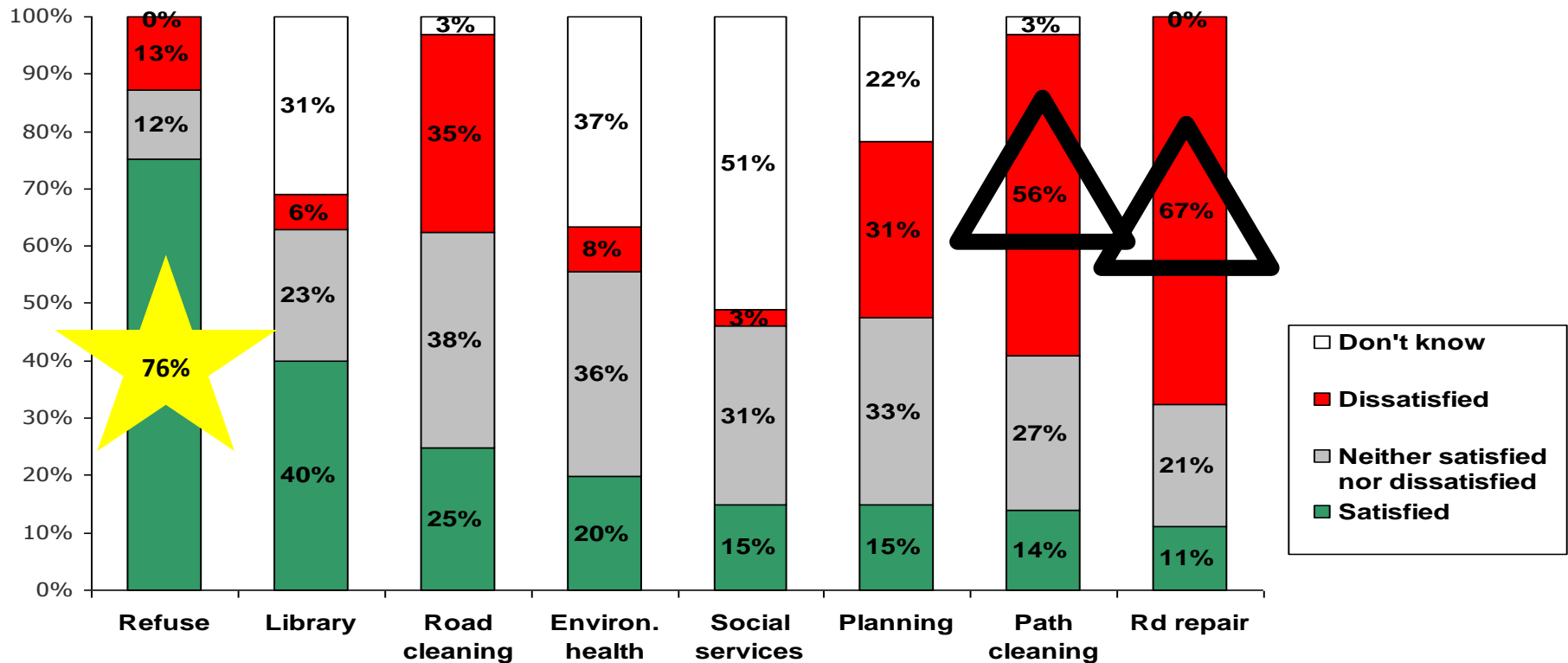
63% of non-members expressed interest in joining



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Satisfaction with CEC Services



Highly Rated



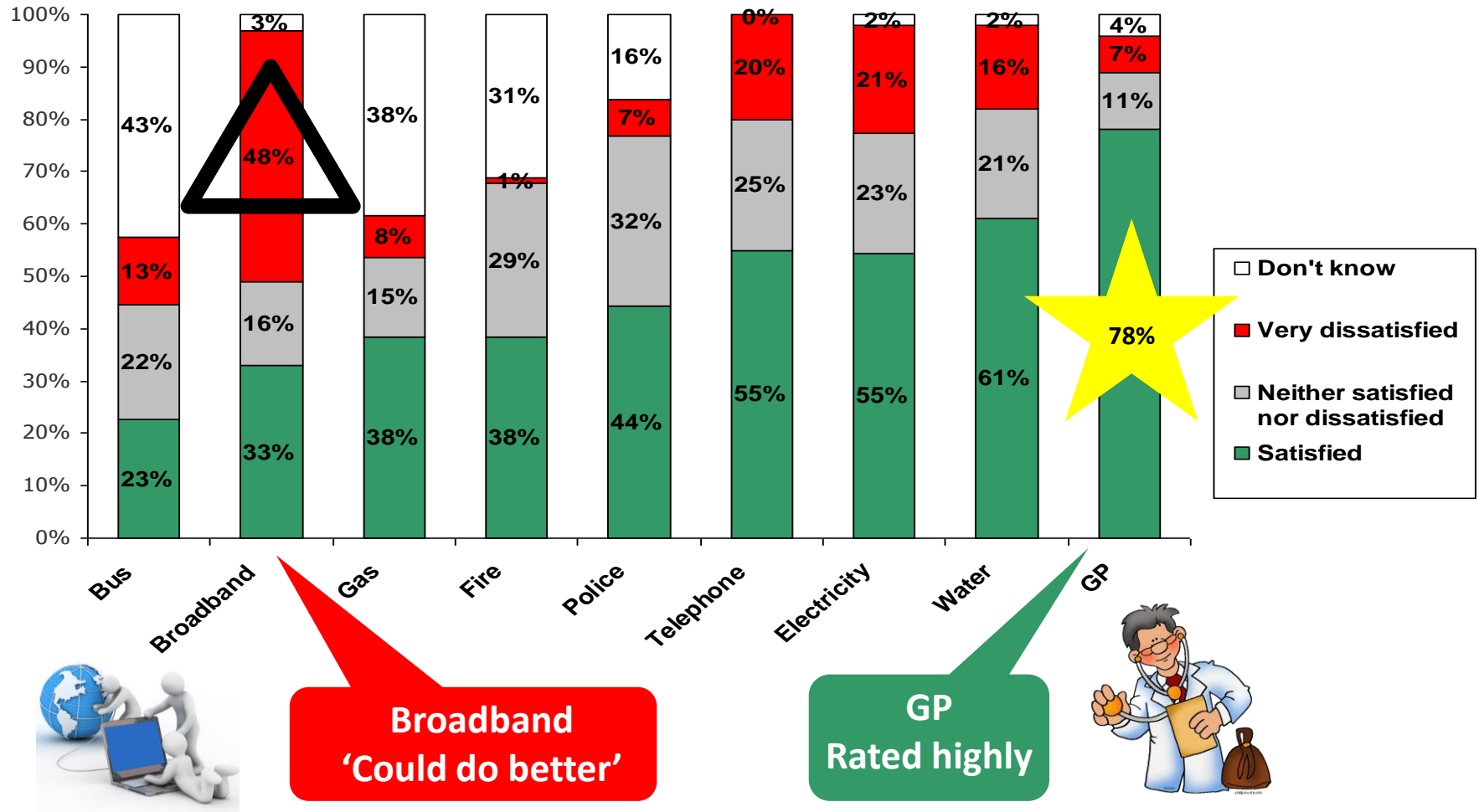
Could do better



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Satisfaction with Public Services



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Traffic Concerns

Inappropriate 60mph speed limit on residential lanes

- Sand Lane
- Welsh Row
- Nursery Lane
- Artists Lane



40mph limit too high in the Conservation Area, around the primary school, NT Mill and Church Lane



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Other Traffic Issues



The bypass was lauded and criticised in equal measure in the 'open' question section

New danger from bypass traffic for walkers on Bollington Lane



Difficulty for pedestrians crossing to catch bus at Monks Heath



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Social Life

- **Main activities:**
 - walking (47%)
 - cycling (21%)
 - keep fit /pilates (20%)
- **CE library used by 37% in last 6 months (access a problem for 8%)**
- **45% want more local activities:**
 - Book group and a pub
 - More opportunities for mixing
- **BUT main problem seems to be a lack of information about what is already available.**
- **National Trust's proposal for a natural play area attracted the most support (31%).**



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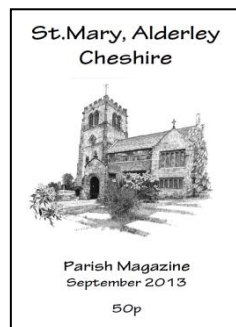
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Local Communications

- There is a large gap in communications regarding information and news in the neighbourhood. It is probably the largest and easiest issue to solve.
- The most read are:



37%



35%



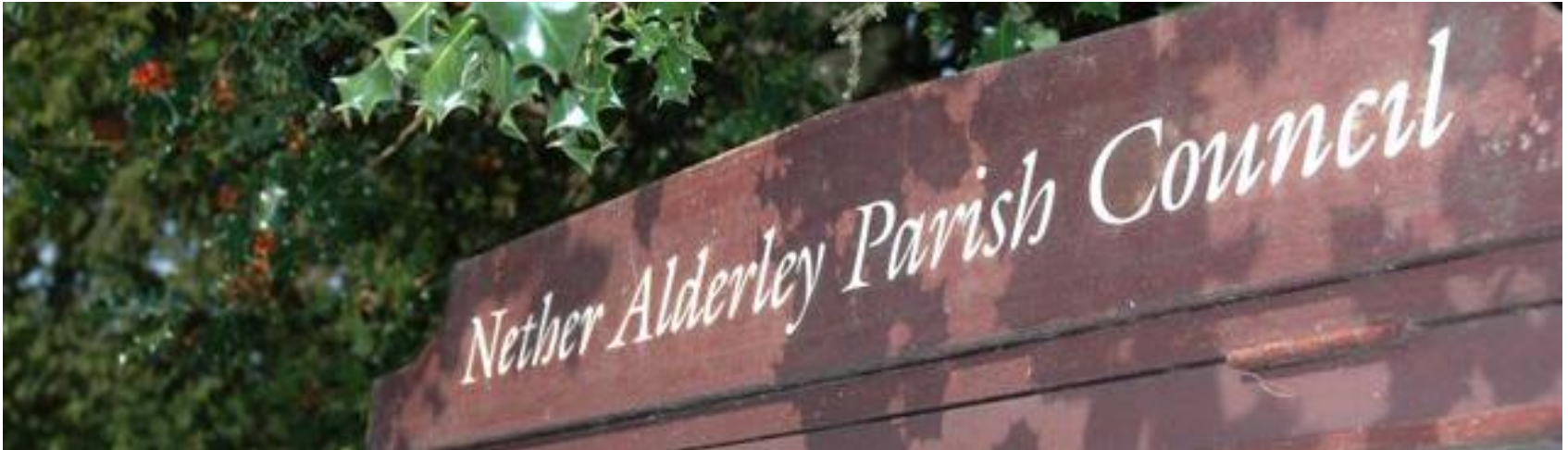
30%

- A large minority (37%) don't regularly read any local news either free or paid-for whether online or on paper



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NAPC Communications



50% are aware of the new NAPC website

44% would like more information about NAPC's work

30% don't know where to find a NAPC notice board

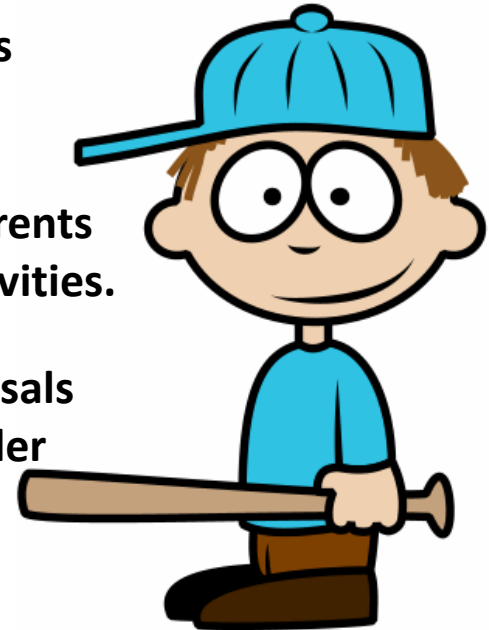


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Children's Survey

- ✓ Most enjoy the benefits of living in the country, especially those interested in country sports such as horse riding.
- ❖ BUT there are several disadvantages:
 - No playground, playing field or anywhere for children to socialise
 - Mainly dependent on parental transport for their social lives
 - Relatively low child population (so not very social)
- ❖ Few walk to school. Most are either driven to school by their parents or by bus. Mainly dependent on parents' transport for social activities.
- ✓ There was widespread enthusiasm for the National Trust's proposals for a natural play area, mountain biking and permissive horse-rider routes.
- ✓ Amongst the 7-12 year group support for a playground is 100%.



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Recommendations



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Planning

Secure commitment from Cheshire East Council to:

- 1. Preserve the Green Belt within Nether Alderley.**
- 2. Restrict planning approvals for commercial and housing development to in-fill and brown-field sites.**



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Road Safety

- **Impose 30mph speed restrictions on Welsh Row, Sand Lane, Artists Lane, Nursery Lane and Congleton Road (school to NT Mill).**
- **Move the existing speed camera to a position adjacent to the school.**
- **Install pelican crossing or other feature to enable children to cross Congleton Road to school in safety.**



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Road Safety

- Provide facility for safe pedestrian crossing at Monks Heath junction (e.g. Red / Green man option on traffic signals).
- Install path along Bollington Lane – now an official route onto the bypass.



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Safety & Security

Facilitate local police promotion of Neighbourhood / Rural Watch scheme to meet perceived need and foster community spirit.



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Infrastructure

- Address issues holding up delivery of fast fibre optic broadband to the village.



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Maintenance & Appearance

- Re-establish 'Lengthsmen' to monitor potholes, maintenance and cleaning issues, liaising with CEC departments and marshalling volunteers for tasks including litter-picking etc.
- Establish regular maintenance regime with CEC for clearing paths, drains and ditches and trimming verges and hedges, including cleaning of signage.



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Maintenance & Appearance

- Restore damaged speed restriction sign at entrance to the conservation area.
- Explore measures to encourage horse owners to clean up 'droppings' from pavements.
- Investigate potential for reducing frequency of power cuts.



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Communications

- Encourage NAPC to publish more details of their activities on their website.
- Explore the possibility of an online NAPC newsletter or investigate potential for greater liaison between NAPC and AlderleyEdge.com.
- Refurbish and improve the quality and content of NAPC notice boards, including the provision of an extra board where it might be seen by more residents (e.g. opposite the post box by the Market Cross).



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Communications

- Explore the potential for a 'Community' website and notice board for anything other than parish council notices with a coordinator liaising with all local organisations to publicise information about the facilities, activities and current events undertaken or planned in the village.



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Pride in Nether Alderley

- Install 'Welcome to Nether Alderley – Please drive carefully through the village' signage and display more information for visitors.
- Seek agreement and volunteers to plant spring bulbs.
- Restore Cheshire railings. Explore response of landowners, availability of grants, and volunteers.
- Explore possibility of restoring the market cross.



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Recreation

- Support the National Trust's proposed initiatives and explore opportunity for a playground.
- Explore collaboration with AZ for potential recreational use of part of Alderley Park after their departure.



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Questions & Comments



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Voting

Please indicate the 10 proposals that you consider to be the most important.

PLANNING, INFRASTRUCTURE, RECREATION & COMMUNICATIONS	ROAD SAFETY & SECURITY	MAINTENANCE & PRIDE IN NETHER ALDERLEY
1 <input type="checkbox"/> Get confirmation of commitment from CEC to stand firm on preservation of the Green Belt and wishes regarding planning approvals for commercial and housing development.	9 <input type="checkbox"/> Impose 30mph speed restrictions on Welsh Row, Sand Lane, Artists Lane, Nursery Lane and Congleton Road by the school and around the National Trust Mill and Church junction in the conservation area.	15 <input type="checkbox"/> Explore the concept of re-establishing 'Lengthsmen' (on volunteer basis if necessary) to monitor potholes, maintenance and cleaning issues, liaising with CEC departments and marshalling volunteers as necessary for tasks including litter-picking etc.
2 <input type="checkbox"/> Address issues holding up delivery of fast fibre optic broadband to the village.	10 <input type="checkbox"/> Move the existing speed camera to a position adjacent to the school.	16 <input type="checkbox"/> Establish regular maintenance regime with CEC for clearing paths, drains and ditches and trimming verges and hedges, including cleaning of signs.
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6 <input type="checkbox"/> Explore the potential for a 'Community' website and notice board for anything other than parish council notices with a co-ordinator liaising with the church and other local organisations such as Friends of St Mary's to publicise information about the facilities, activities and current events undertaken or planned in the village.	14 <input type="checkbox"/> Facilitate local police promotion of Neighbourhood / Rural Watch scheme to meet perceived need and foster community spirit	20 <input type="checkbox"/> Install 'Welcome to Nether Alderley – Please drive carefully through the village' signage and directions to parking places with information for visitors.
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8 <input type="checkbox"/> Explore collaboration with AZ for potential recreational use of part of Alderley Park post their departure.		22 <input type="checkbox"/> Restore Cheshire railings. Explore availability of grants, use of volunteers and response of landowners.
		23 <input type="checkbox"/> Explore possibility of restoring the market cross.

Which working parties would you be willing to help?

(You can assist as many as you wish.)

- 1 ☐ Planning, Infrastructure, Recreation & Communications
 2 ☐ Road Safety & Security
 3 ☐ Maintenance & Pride in Nether Alderley
 4 ☐ Sorry, I can't help

Please return to a NALF member or post to: J & J Patterson, Parkend, Bradford Lane, Nether Alderley, Macclesfield, SK10 4TR

Please complete even if you can't help

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Address:

Telephone No.:

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