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Earlier this year 419 surveys were posted, one to each household in Barningham, looking at the sites put forward by landowners, for consideration for future development. Almost 61% of those sent out were returned, a total of 255. So a big thank you to everyone who took part.

Below and over the following pages is a summary of those returns.

128 respondents marked the box indicating 'housing only', with 110 indicating 'housing and a community building'.

120 indicated a preference for housing on one site only with 90 preferring to see housing over two sites. 115 indicated they were content with either configuration.

11 Did not choose any preference and did not want any development; this included 9 who were unhappy with the survey itself.

7 Thanked the group for carrying out the survey

The tables below give a breakdown of the results.

### On one site

Site No.	1	2	3	4	5
	17	36	25	21	51

### Over two sites

Site No.	1	2	3	4	5
	19	52	62	50	57

### Combination of sites

Site	1	2	3	4	5
1	x	12	4	6	8
2	x	x	18	11	20
3	x	x	X	28	22
4	x	X	x	x	15
5	X	x	X	x	x

151 residents made comments. An exercise has been carried out in a bid to summarise these comments. This document is a 'snap shot' of the comments designed to give a brief overview. They have been broken down into comments on each site, categorised into headings where possible, and then more general comments. All the comments received back from the consultation have been transcribed in full and are available to view online at [www.barningham.onesuffolk.net](http://www.barningham.onesuffolk.net)

Please note that any racist comments have not been included in any analysis.

The numbers, in **bold** next to the comments indicate how many comments were received about an issue.

### **Site 1 Sandy Lane**

Flooding **31**  
Increase in traffic **23**  
Loss of fauna and flora **13**  
Good pedestrian access via Church Road **3**  
Potential for negative impact on Ancient moat/land **2**  
Negative impact on rural scene **2**  
Stretch Village boundary **2**  
Lacking infrastructure **1**  
New footpath link to Aggies would be great **1**  
Good vehicular access to Thetford **1**  
Large enough for future development **1**  
Would not detract from the beauty of the village **1**

### **Site 2 B1111 LHS towards Hopton**

Ease of access to B1111 **15**  
Less vehicular impact on Church/Hepworth Road **5**  
Large site, could support housing and hall **5**  
Stretches Village boundary **4**  
Increase traffic on B1111 **3**  
Waterlogged **3**  
Loss of fauna and flora **3**  
Less impact on other residents **3**  
Good access to village **2**  
House adjacent will be devalued. **1**  
Less impact on infrastructure. **1**  
Most sensible option. **1**

### **Site 3 B1111 RHS towards Hopton**

Good access to B1111 **7**  
Good pedestrian access to village centre **5**  
and Aggies (via Sandy Lane) **2**  
Extension of existing developments, keeps village within the housing boundary **5**  
Services easily connected from existing new builds **5**  
Could provide access for site 4 **4**  
Too small **2**  
Less visual impact on village **2**  
Bigger site. **1**  
Comments on additional access on to the B1111. **1**  
Drainage issues. **1**  
Impact on footpath. **1**  
Loss of countryside. **1**  
Loss of fauna and flora. **1**  
Possibly not large enough for Hall and Housing. **1**  
Obvious choice as banded on one side by housing and hedge on the other side. **1**  
Doesn't affect overall look of the village. **1**  
Only practical site. **1**  
Move traffic through village. **1**  
Increase in pedestrian traffic along B1111. **1**  
Keeping traffic away from village. **1**  
Well drained/dry area. **1**

#### **Site 4 Hepworth Road**

Poor road access, Hepworth Road and junction with B1111 11  
Nice for infill, if in conjunction with site 3, or option to use with site 3 6  
Big site, room for housing and hall 4  
Infrastructure already in place from new developments 3  
Pedestrian access along Hepworth Road dangerous 3  
Narrow road, blind bends increase in traffic 3  
Good road access, avoids centre of village 2  
Pedestrian access along Hepworth Road already there 2  
Loss of fauna and flora 3  
Loss of countryside. 1  
Keep village located around existing centre. 1  
Most practical site. 1  
Does not affect overall look of the village. 1  
Part prone to water pooling. 1  
Drainage issues. 1  
Sprawl into open countryside. 1  
Construction traffic dangerous in this area. 1  
Loss of view. 1  
Well drained/dry area. 1

#### **Site 5 Bardwell Road**

Ease of access on to B1111 9  
and not through village centre 7  
Restricted view onto B1111 8  
Limits impact on current village/residents 5  
Good access to village centre 4  
Plot too small 4  
Loss of fauna and flora 4  
Access on to B1111, speed limit 3  
Poor pedestrian access 3  
Cost of pavement (purchase of land)  
Flooding/drainage 4  
Does not extend village from centre, not stuck on the end 2  
Suitable size for 30 properties (small development) 2  
Negative impact on adjacent heritage asset 2  
New entrance could introduce traffic calming measures. 1  
Keep traffic away from established housing. 1  
Removal of hedge, negative impact on rural scene. 1  
Narrow roads, blind bends (Bardwell Road). 1  
Excess traffic during construction state. 1  
Excess traffic, dangerous. 1  
Smaller plot limits amount built. 1  
Beyond village boundary. 1  
Out of village. 1  
Most sensible option for building. 1  
Should not be used as site of natural beauty. 1  
Underground services would not cope with additional housing. 1  
No decent access to site. 1  
Major reworking of road would be required/land purchase 1

### **General comments**

Concern over increase in traffic 17  
Essential to consider drainage/sewage impacts 14  
Concerns over/ need to make sure infrastructure is improved 12  
GP's overloaded already 2  
Village lacking in community space/amenities. 1  
Construction traffic will make poor road conditions worse. 1  
Roads and footpaths need repairing. 1  
Build on All. 1  
Street lighting. 1  
Speed of traffic. 1

### **Would need to extend/improve/concerns over:**

School 15  
Medical care 11  
Shop facilities 9  
Public transport 6  
Type of housing, affordable 5

### **Would like:**

Something for the children, Play areas, Football pitch, Bike park 6  
Better Parking 6  
Pavements/footpaths 4  
Takeaway/café 4  
Would need/like pedestrian access to Aggies 3  
Remove Parking in front of the shop 2  
Move shop location 2  
More Shops. 1  
A village tree planting group. 1  
Development to include tree planting as part of a community 'out' building. 1  
New roundabout on the B1111 needed. 1  
To make a piece of the cricket meadow available for school parking. 1  
Mill Road to be traffic free, apart for access. 1  
Create a new wildlife area adjacent to site 3. 1  
Land for self-build. 1

### **Community building**

New Village Hall /community building 6  
Current hall underused, lack of parking 3  
Demolish existing hall and relocate, build (affordable houses, regenerate area) houses on land 3  
Current hall needs upgrade 3  
Extend hall parking into site 2  
No need for another hall, good halls locally. 1  
Enlarge hall. 1

### **Survey contents**

Negative comments about Survey content/wording 9  
Would prefer no more houses but indicated site preference 9  
Do not want any housing, didn't indicate any site preference but made comments 9  
Thanked the organisers of the survey 7  
Why is Aggies important in criteria 6  
Implying Parish Council were being bribed, making a 'quick buck' 2

No decision has been made about which sites are the preferred options for development, but this survey has been helpful as an exercise to gauge residents' views. Some of the non site-specific comments received made it clear that there are other issues of concern. This information will be helpful when moving on to the next stage.

The next stage will be to organise a public event to look again at all 5 sites. This will happen as soon as Covid restrictions allow.

The following image shows an overview of the village showing the five site locations



#### Notes:

The yellow circle indicates the hypothetical centre of the village which comprises the shop, the school, the church and the pub. The yellow disks with numbers in them show the site identifier as used in the rest of this document. The red lines outline the boundary of each site offered. With the exception of site 5, the sites offered are not likely to be utilized in their entirety.