

Warbleton Parish Council Community Fund Consultation and Survey Summary

Report by Cllr Celia Davies, Chairman of
Community Infrastructure Fund

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Survey open 8 December 2020 to 31 Jan 2021

Why did we Consult with community over how to prioritise our future CIL spend?

To meet our obligation under our schemes of delegation:

- To liaise with residents to identify projects that can be funded by CIL
- To prioritise projects and provide a timeline for completion
- To consider the use of Section 106/CIL monies to meet the transport and environmental needs of the villages
- To monitor the CIL budget

How did we do do this? CIL committee put forward suggestions for CIL spend

- 500 flyers printed by local printer promoting online survey
- Distributed throughout Warbleton in partnership with Rushlake Green Village Stores
- Social media inclusion on local platforms as well as WPC website
- Councillor's encouraged to share through their own networks
- Posters in local shop and village noticeboards
- Opportunity for people to also respond via post – all respondents responded digitally

Consultation

Who did it go to?

- Flyer distributed to Warbleton Parish area – approximately 500 households
- Digital content on local digital networks

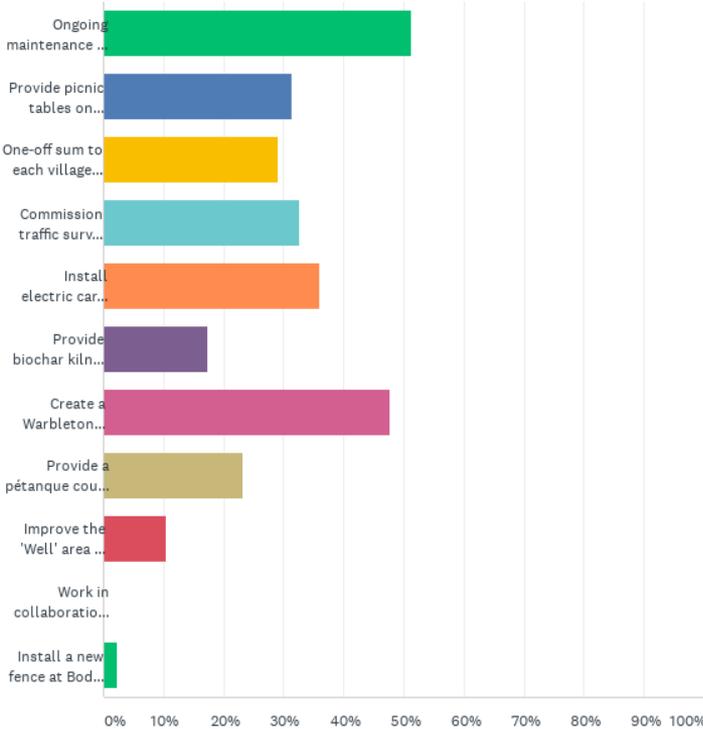
What did we ask?

- Ask people to indicate their top three choices
- Ask people if they had any other ideas
- Flyer also encouraged visits to WPC website
- Encouraged sign ups to WPC newsletter

Total Responses

- 86 respondents – a 17.2% response based on 500 flyers
- In standard surveys, the widely accepted confidence interval is 5%.
- Survey completed within 3 minutes by respondents

Responses to the top three ideas people people would most like to see happen.



Answered: 86 Skipped: 0

Respondents Top Three Choices

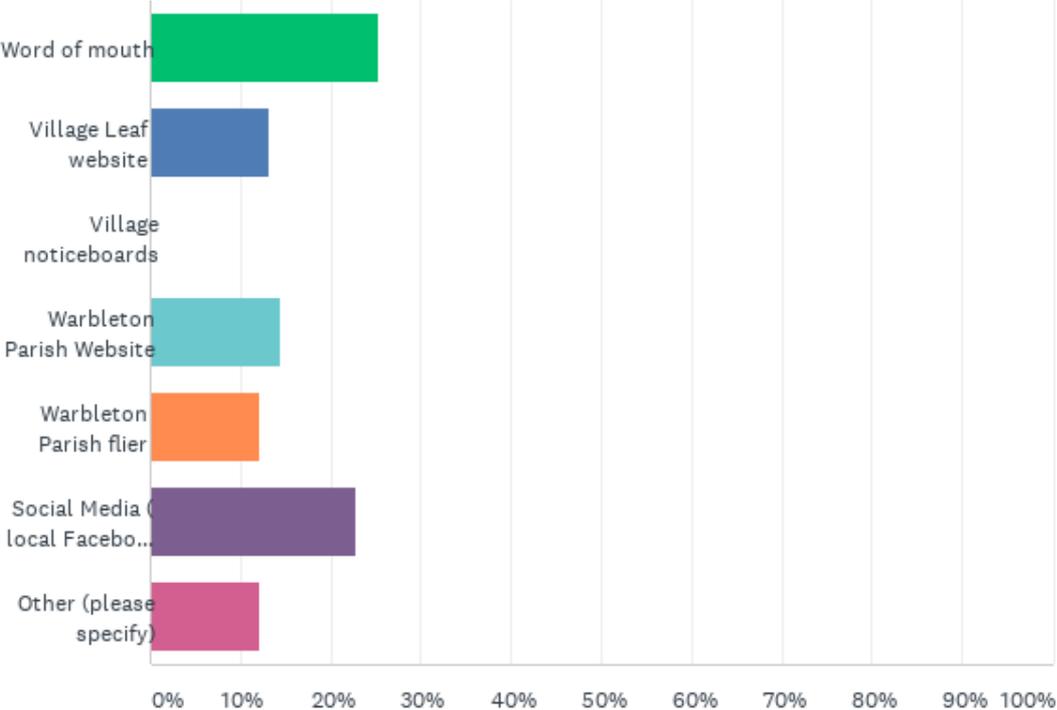
1. Maintenance of notice boards, finger posts and benches - 51.16%
2. Create a new Warbleton cycling and walking routes map in partnership with local community organisations and local council to promote health and well-being - 47.67%
3. Install Electric car charging points in locations across the parish to encourage greener energy use - 36.05%

The long-list of ideas that Warbleton Parish Council are considering allocating CIL funds towards. Respondents asked to select THREE ideas they would most like to see happen.

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Ongoing maintenance and purchase of essential parish noticeboards, fingerposts and benches in the Parish	51.16%	44
Provide picnic tables on Rushlake Green for residents and visitors across the Parish to enjoy, promoting well-being and supporting local businesses	31.40%	27
One-off sum to each village hall to boost wifi provision and support hall hirers needs	29.07%	25
Commission traffic surveys in the Parish to assess the ongoing impact of local development	32.56%	28
Install electric car charging points at strategic locations in the Parish to support greener energy use	36.05%	31
Provide biochar kilns for community use (see further information on website to find out more) to support greener communities and reduce our carbon footprint	17.44%	15
Create a Warbleton Parish Walking & Cycling routes map in partnership with local community organisations and local council to promote health and well-being	47.67%	41
Provide a pétanque court on Rushlake Green to promote health, well-being and reduce social isolation the area	23.26%	20
Improve the 'Well' area at Punnett's Town to enhance the village scene e.g. bench, low wall	10.47%	9
Work in collaboration with Heathfield Parish Council to improve a safer crossing area for children and families outside Punnett's Town School, where children from across the Parish attend	0.00%	0
Install a new fence at Bodle Street Green to improve safety on the green for pedestrians	2.33%	2
Total Respondents: 86		

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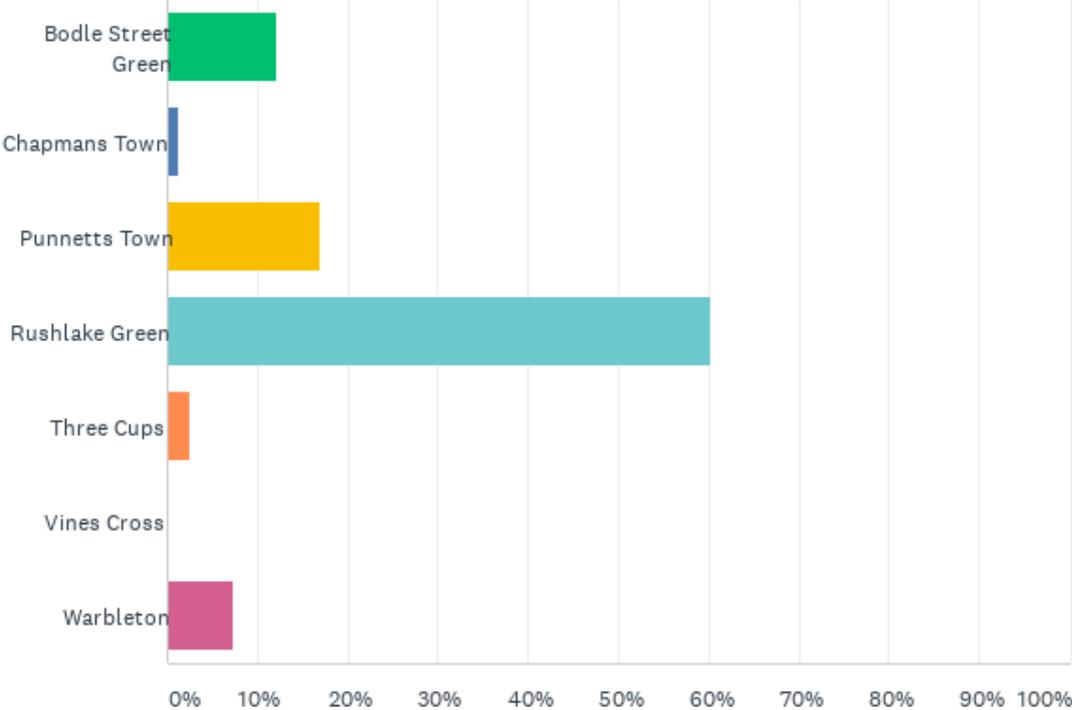
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Word of mouth	25.30%	21
Village Leaf website	13.25%	11
Village noticeboards	0.00%	0
Warbleton Parish Website	14.46%	12
Warbleton Parish flier	12.05%	10
Social Media (local Facebook Groups)	22.89%	19
Other (please specify)	12.05%	10
TOTAL		83

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Warbleton Parish Website

159 new users on website in December 2020 and January 2021 – representing 71.9% of all users

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Bodle Street Green	12.05%	10
Chapmans Town	1.20%	1
Punnetts Town	16.87%	14
Rushlake Green	60.24%	50
Three Cups	2.41%	2
Vines Cross	0.00%	0
Warbleton	7.23%	6
TOTAL		83

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What's next?

Short term

Pursue the top three choices for CIL spend, cost them in the first instance and seek partnership finding where possible:

1. Maintenance of notice boards, finger posts and benches
2. Create a new Warbleton cycling and walking routes map in partnership with local community organisations and local council to promote health and well-being
3. Install Electric car charging points in locations across the parish to encourage greener energy use

Communicate this back to the community – we're acting on what they've told us

Mid-term

As we receive further CIL funds, - see if we can investigate more on the respondent's list

Long term

- Take into account other comments from respondents for future CIL spend planning
- Share findings with ESCC and WDC where items under their jurisdiction

Wider Recommendations for WPC:

- WPC now has its first consultation benchmark to build on in the future
- WPC now has a logo it can use should it want to adopt it
- Continue to evolve our communication channels e.g., monitor targets for newsletter sign ups, more content on website etc.
- Work in partnership with local businesses/organisations to engage wider community – online comms, joint projects etc. We gain more engagement through these channels
- Carry out another consultation after 3 years

Thank You

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