

Questionnaire 1 – Initial Responses and Raw Analysis

Like

Small village (Widegates) 5

Mainly bungalows 2

Variety of building styles 1

No large housing estates (apart from Morview Road Widegates) 2

Small community 4

Privacy 2

Quiet 34

Own garden 1

All amenities previously - shop, post office, garage, school 2

Friendly neighbours/nice people/community 25

Children, mixed age community 1

Popular with holidaymakers as it is now 2

Beautiful surroundings and views/countryside/rural 50 + 2 children

Great Landscape value 2

Well managed farmland 2

Open spaces 6

Generally unspoilt 11

Close to beaches/coast and woodland walks 15

Convenient location for bigger towns and A38 20

Wildlife 13

Dark nights 4

History 1

Farm Shop 8

Village Hall 8

Parish events 5

Jumble sales, plant sales etc 5

St Wenna's church 2 (outreach) 1

Grace Church 2

Small village school 1

Love living here 3

Low crime rate 2

Public transport 1

Dislike

Too many new buildings 22

Infrastructure not in place for new houses 7

Insufficient water supply to accommodate new houses 1

All new houses in Widegates, not around parish 2

New houses not intended for local people 2

New houses detract from attractiveness to tourists 3

Buildings not in keeping 6

New houses too big 5

New houses restricting views for existing residents 2

No new facilities for new houses 3

Insufficient parking for new developments 1

Lack of footpaths for walking 7

Lack of pavements 1

No safe pathway to Farm Shop 16

No post office in Widegates 3

Narrow roads 3
Busy main road through parish 3
Increasing traffic (noise) 17 (+coaches 1) (pollution) 5
Noise from drones 2
Expensive parking in Looe 2
Nearby travellers' site 1
No traffic restrictions on A387 2
Some people 1

No focal point eg pub, social club 11
Speeding on roads 3
Village hall too small 1
No playground for children/children playing near roads 8
Verges and hedges not well maintained 2
Poor weed control 2
No exercise area for dog walkers 5
Wildlife diminishing 2
Increased street lighting 2
Lack of facilities 7+ 2 children
Lack of NHS dentist 1
Lack of public transport 9
Loss of previous facilities 2
Too few people support local events 5
Division between Morval and Widegates 3
Nothing! 2

Little police presence 2
Large empty buses 3
Slow internet 1
Poor sign going into Morval village 1

Improve

Footpath to Tredinnick Farm Shop 24
More footpaths (across fields) 8
Pavements 5
Field for children and dog walkers 5
Cycle paths 9
Plant trees, woodland for children 5
Community allotments on council owned field 5
Council owned field for community use 1
Eco dog poo bins 5
Clearer footpath signage 4
More green areas 2
See return of summer roosting bats 2
Supports NDP 4

Children's play park 9+ 2 children (eco park 5)
Children's activities 2 children
Children's clubs in village hall 5
Widegates Youth Committee 1 + 2 children
School interact more with community 1
More community input into parish magazine 1
More people attend Parish Council meetings 1
All parts of parish work together 1

No more new houses (in Widegates) 13 (until infrastructure in place 1)

Restrict new building 21(unless green infrastructure in place 1)(only few bungalows 1)

Restrict new building (traffic noise) 1

Build new houses 1

Affordable homes for local young people 4

Any new building must not affect nature of parish 8 (must include green space 2)

New houses built in small groups with a traditional Cornish style exteriors 1

Multi phase development, local commitments met before next phase allowed 1

New developments should be spread around parish 9

More parking space for new houses 1

More amenities for growing population 2

Monitor water pressure as developments grow 1

Central parish hall 5

Village centre 1

Reinstate previous amenities in Widegates 1

Post office 3

Save phone box 1

Coffee shop 2 children

More community spirit 5+ 2 children

Gym/aerobics 2 children

New community hall + pub 3

Social club 2

Reinstate Snooty Fox as pub/restaurant 3

Shop 4 Community shop run by volunteers 1

More support for village hall 2

More support for St Wenna's church 2

More work opportunities using small business units 1

Greater police presence 1

One way system around Trenode-Twinaways-Bindown 3

Enforceable speed controls on main roads through parish 14

Double yellow lines through main road (Widegates) 4

Noise reducing road surfaces 1

Improve road junctions (including farm shop turning): mirrors, traffic lights, better visibility, crossings 9

Curtail pheasant shoot and attendant traffic 2

More street lighting 1

Better bus service/public transport 10

Introduce a reduced price or permit system for residents who have to use Looe car parks in summer 1

Initial analysis

- Replies represent 81 people. A few represented identical views of several people (greatest 5) so might have slightly skewed figures. Only 2 children identified but might have been more in family groups
- Mostly anonymous, but majority clearly from Widegates
- Quiet rural nature of parish hugely valued and felt to be under threat from new developments, particularly in Widegates
- General acceptance of the need for new houses, but should be limited in number, in keeping with the area and for needs of local people.
- Concern over development being specifically in Widegates and over lack of necessary infrastructure.
- Friendly locals, landscape value and attractiveness to tourists greatly valued and linked to small community feel
- Various concerns regarding increased traffic; speed, pollution, dangerous junctions, narrow lanes
- Several ask for footpaths (many specifically to farm shop), walking/exercise areas etc
- Several ask for safe children's play area
- Several highlight need for more central community focus eg social club, pub, community shop/post office etc.
- Need for greater community cohesion across parish- might be achieved through above.