

SUMMER ROADSHOWS

11th – 15th June 2016 Summary of results



The roadshows gave residents up to date information on the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan and allowed the Parish Council and NP Forum to confirm that they are on the right track as we move towards the production of a draft Plan.

All information presented is now available on our web site for those who were unable to attend.

Event plan



Seven roadshow events were well publicised in the press and through a leaflet drop to 1200 households, and attracted considerable interest with over 300 visits and 250 feedback forms returned. The events were arranged to give coverage across the town and Neighbourhood Plan area to ensure easy access for a full cross section of the community.

Summer Roadshow schedule

Saturday 11th June Town Hall

Sunday 12th June Windmill Piece (am) The Paddock (pm)

Monday 13th June Fox and Hounds, Christmas Common

Tuesday 14th June Marlbrook Green

Wednesday 15th June Pauls Way (pm) Spring Lane (evening)

Aims



The key topics we aimed to provide information on were:

- How many new homes are we now looking to provide and why?
- What sites are we looking at and what are the criteria for selection?
- How big are the sites and how many houses could they accommodate?
- What is happening about the traffic issues?

The displays and information were based on the work done on our Neighbourhood Plan since January 2014 and were prepared in consultation with South Oxfordshire District Council.



WATLINGTON TOWN HALL - Saturday 11th June



- Attendance 96
- 85 feedback forms





WINDMILL PIECE – Sunday 12th June (AM)



- Attendance 17
- 12 feedback forms





PARTY IN THE PADDOCK - Sunday 12th June (PM)

We took advantage of the Queen's Birthday Celebrations in Watlington to be certain to engage

with family groups and visitors



- Attendance 98
- 72 feedback forms





PARISH SETTLEMENTS AND VILLAGES - Mon 13th June



- Attendance 20
- 15 feedback forms

We visited the Fox and Hounds in Christmas Common to reinforce the importance of the economic and social relationship between the town and small hamlets within the Parish.





MARLBROOK - Tuesday 14th June



- Attendance 35
- 31 feedback forms





PAULS WAY – Wednesday 15th June



- Attendance 22
- 19 feedback forms





SPRING LANE – Wednesday 15th June



- Attendance 21
- 15 feedback forms





What development do you think is best for Watlington?

The feedback form offered two choices:

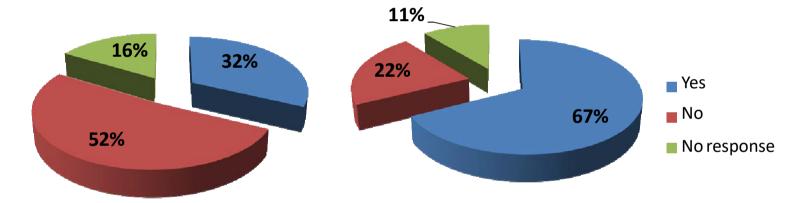
- A. Spread 200 new homes on sites around the town with no new route for traffic, but effective traffic management for through traffic
- B. Build new homes on the string of sites between Pyrton Lane and Britwell Road so that a new route through these sites can be provided for traffic around the town



What development do you think is best for Watlington?



B: Sites with a new Route



Number of responses for each option from 258 feedback forms.

	Yes	No	No response
A: Sites with no new route	83	133	42
B: Sites with a new Route	174	56	28

(Note: 9 forms returned to the Parish Office after the Roadshows are included above)



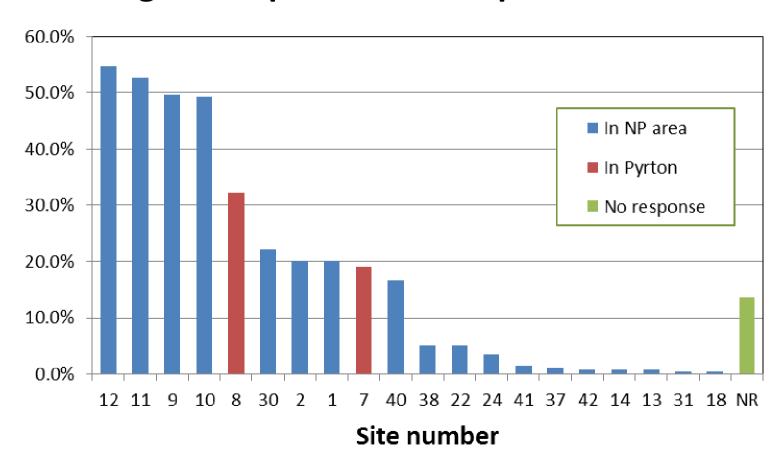
Which sites would you prefer to see developed?

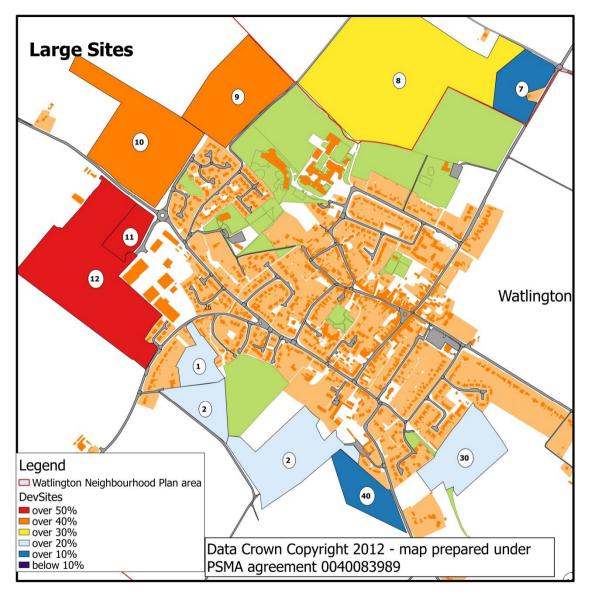
The feedback form asked people to identify up to 5 sites where they would prefer new housing to be built.

A total of 918 site choices were made by 223 people with the number of selections on each form ranging from 1 to 5, with an average of 3.6 for all forms.



Percentage of respondents who preferred each site

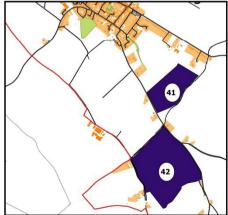




Heat Map

These maps show the percentage of forms that included each site as a preference.

The smaller sites all had preference levels of less than 10% and are not shown here.





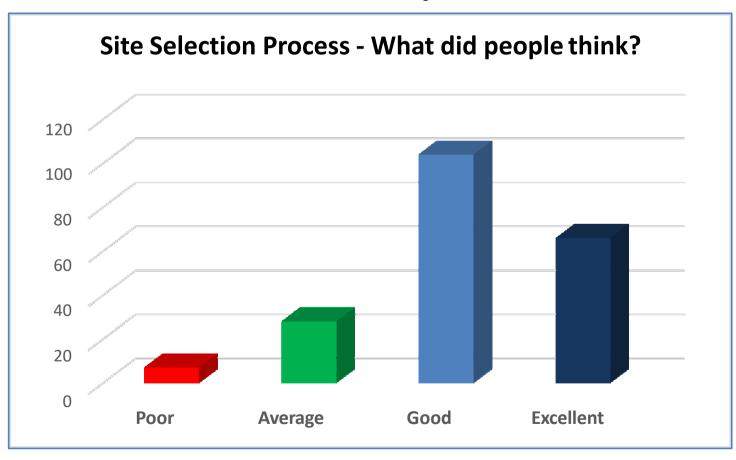
What do you think of the process for selecting sites?

There were two panels in the Roadshow exhibition that listed the site selection criteria that are being applied, and a further panel that described the selection process.

83% of responses rated the process as either Good or Excellent



Site selection process





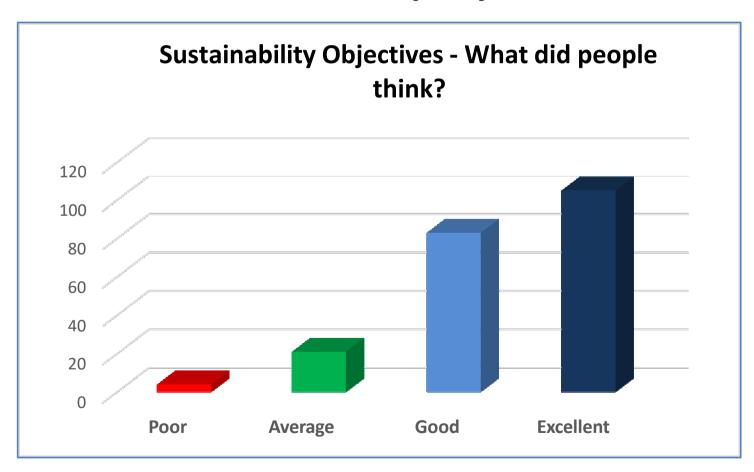
Are the sustainability objectives appropriate?

There were two panels in the Roadshow exhibition that listed the sustainability objectives that we are applying throughout the NP process.

88% of responses rated the objectives as either Good or Excellent



Sustainability Objectives





What Watlington wants?

The final question was whether people agreed with the document "What Watlington wants" which was available at the Roadshows.

92% of responses were in agreement with the statements made in this document

Comments

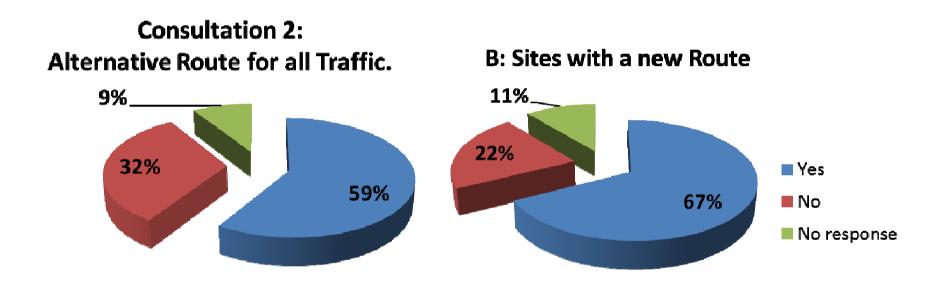


One of the key aims of the Roadshows was to get feedback from people who live, work or shop in Watlington on the progress that has been made towards a Neighbourhood Plan for the parish as we start to write the NP documents.

Many people provided comments on the feedback form. These comments will be provided in a separate document.

Change since 2014





In November 2014, Consultation 2 included essentially the same question as 1B on the feedback form. The above graph shows that opinion has shifted more towards an alternative route.