



'To weave the past into the present and the present into the future, to create a quality environment and enable a happy and thriving community in Coggeshall for generations to come.'

Queens Day Consultation

The Queens Day Consultation at the Recreation Ground in June was a great success!

Thank you to all who took part in our survey.

This exercise was to find out what you love about Coggeshall, what our biggest problem is, what we most need and what we think is the biggest threat to Coggeshall.

It also gave the Neighbourhood Plan volunteers the opportunity to tell you, the community, more about the Plan and how important it is to the future of this community.

This is what you told us.....

You loved:

1. The people and the atmosphere (64%)
2. The historic buildings in the village centre (40%)
3. The rural character and green spaces (18%)
4. Also mentioned were our extensive footpath network and small independent shops.
(This adds up to more than 100% but some people gave more than one answer!)

You consider Coggeshall's biggest problem to be:

1. Parking (28%)
2. Traffic (25%)
3. Many said there was nothing they were unhappy about and others focused on issues such as dog poo and lack of activities for young people to do.

You think what we most need:

1. Shops and retail facilities (25%)
 - Popular answers being a bakery, a bank, a stationery shop and clothes shops
2. Better parking facilities (18%)
3. A second or a bigger Doctors' surgery (18%)
4. A North-South bus service
5. Leisure facilities:
 - Including different types of restaurant such as Thai, coffee shops or fast food. Also, a swimming pool, skate-park or playgrounds are desired by some.

You consider the biggest threat to Coggeshall's to be:

1. Overdevelopment of housing (76%)
 - Specifically, objections were made to developments that are too large in scale for a community of our size. Development should not be allowed until we have the necessary infrastructure. parking, roads, schools and healthcare)
2. The Rivenhall incinerator (8%)
3. The West Tey housing development centred on Marks Tey (7%)

Your responses will help form the basis of policies that the Neighbourhood Plan Committee are developing.

Thank you very much and look out for information on our Community Consultation Road Show in November 2016 where we will be looking in more detail at all of the planning areas affecting our Parish including Infrastructure, Heritage and the Environment, Education, the Local Economy and Housing.