

Barton Community Led Plan 2014 - 2017



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Summary

This plan has been compiled by our community in Barton and is about our aspirations and concerns. We have documented how and when the plan was started, what events brought the community together to discuss the issues, and a summary of the results with a proposed action plan arising.

We commend this report to the Barton Parish Council, the Parkin Memorial Hall committee and the other social groups in our parish. We hope that our proposed action plan will provide input to their own agendas, plans and budgets.

We also commend the report to our county and district authorities, as well as the Lake District National Park and the Ullswater Valley Planning Group, so that they can be aware of the issues important to Barton parish community which their services and funding will heavily influence.

Finally we commend the report to our community, for it is their involvement and volunteering effort that will help to determine which aspirations can be fulfilled.



Background

In 2012 two significant events in Barton helped to lift community spirit. In February the Parkin Memorial Hall Committee organised a centenary celebration of the founding of the village hall in Pooley Bridge with a party, music, food, wine, some period dress and lots of memorabilia. Then in June the village was bedecked in bunting and flags to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, with an extended weekend of activities including field games, Punch & Judy, face painting, BBQ, Parish boundary walks, tea party, beacon on the fell and a favourite hymns Church festival. Further dedications emerged in the form of new benches outside of the village hall and a new stone fronted flower bed in the village centre.

It was recognised that this rekindling of community spirit was the result of community volunteering, the generosity of local businesses/sponsors and successful applications for community grants. The combination was powerful. It was no surprise therefore that a proposal came along to harness that energy and input into the formation of a Community Led Plan. By doing this it was felt that the community could define its own aspirations and be part of the local democratic process being offered at that time by new legislation, the Localism Act. Besides, the community could have fun in the process.

The first step was to form a steering group capable of representing our community. We were successful in that the final group contained active members from the village hall committee, the W.I., the church fellowship, the neighbourhood watch, the parish council, business and professional groups, and landownership. In social terms, a teenager, retirees, working adults, housewives, mothers, fathers, grandparents, grandchild. In total eleven people, four male and seven female.

Introduction

The Parish of Barton lies at the foot of Ullswater in the Lake District National Park in England. A mere 15 square kilometres in area, it comprises beautiful rolling farmland, bordered on the west by the river Eamont and the lake shore, rising to the limestone escarpment of Heughscar to the east. The fell then stretches southwards, rising majestically to Arthurs Pike, the beginning of the high mountains overlooking the upper reach of the lake. From there the parish boundary follows the course of the Roman 'High Street', to end just beyond the peak of Loadpot Hill.

There is one small village in the parish, Pooley Bridge, housing approximately half of the parish population of 238. The main industries are tourism and agriculture, which explains why the village has three hotels, five shops, two guest houses and several holiday lets and is surrounded by four major holiday parks. Being only five miles from the M6 and the A66 the parish is the first point of arrival for many of the visitors to the northern part of the Lake District. The siting of a landing stage for the Ullswater 'Steamers' just outside the village adds to the visitor numbers from the other direction.



The area has been a gathering place for people since neolithic times, evidenced by examples of standing stones on the fell side. Dunmallard hill overlooking the village, and the adjacent lake and river frontage, have provided the ideal strategic site for a succession of Ancient Briton, Roman, Saxon and Viking settlers. In the twelfth century King John granted a licence for a fish market on the current village site. The parish has two churches, St. Michael's, Barton, which dates from 1150, and St. Paul's, built in the nineteenth century in Pooley Bridge.

There are 83 residences in the village today. Housing expanded from original farm buildings, then modest purpose built housing development took place up to the 1970's and 1980's. The establishment of the LDNPA has brought with it strict planning controls and there has been virtually no open market housing development in the village since. In 2006 eight affordable homes were completed and formally 'opened' in the village by HRH Prince Charles, providing rental and part ownership accommodation for eligible local people.

For our community today, a major concern is to find the right balance between the needs of our main economies, tourism and farming, and those of our residents. Tourism here brings with it large numbers of visitors in a very concentrated period of time. A population of 238 rises to thousands in main holiday periods. The issues arising from this form a significant part of this plan.

Appendix 1 - Barton Community Statistics, attached, summarises some key information to give a fuller picture of our community.



The Process

Having established our Steering Group we next sought guidance. We contacted staff from 'ACTion with Communities in Cumbria (ACT)' - they were already known to us via conferences. Each steering group member was equipped with ACT guidance sheets on Community Led Planning and we discussed our approach, covering projected timetable, meetings, costings and funding and events. What soon became clear was that success depended on getting our community fully informed and involved. We also agreed that we needed to work with other groups and organisations whose help would be critical to achieving our plan. Effective links were established ; bi-monthly written and oral progress reporting to our Barton Parish Council, which itself provided input and guidance from Mike Slee, EDC, Neil Hughes, CCC, and Judith Cooke, LDNPA ; membership of a newly created Ullswater Valley Planning Group (four Barton CLP steering group members participate); ad hoc meetings with Hellen Aitken of ACT at Redhills and liaison with Rec Cathy, LDNPA Management Ranger and Deborah Garnett, EDC. In addition, our members attended conferences held by EDC and by Planning Aid, England, which included CLP as well as Neighbourhood, Emergency and Valley Planning.

We constructed a plan (and timetable) to achieve our CLP, the final version of which is set out in Appendix 2. The important community input and involvement were achieved by organising various

events, some “piggy-backed” on social gatherings already planned, e.g. church coffee mornings, where we had a stall, inviting the community to add their views to the growing list of comments already made and illustrated on sticker boards. Other events were purpose organised as CLP events. Our range included a community safety meeting, with Rescue Services/Crime prevention/



Trading Standards/Environmental Agency/Police in attendance ; photographic and colouring competitions to illustrate the best and worst of our community ; a BBQ with displays in the village hall of community comments, analysed into the “Egan Wheel” sectors of sustainable development areas ; parish boundary walks, taking in fantastic fell and lake views whilst discussing community aspirations ; and even litter picks and life-saving skills training sessions with Cumbria Fire & Rescue elicited our community’s views.

After these events, we collected all the community comments and recorded them into a questionnaire format, helped greatly by Hellen Aitken of ACT. With personal steering group deliveries and collection of the questionnaire we achieved a remarkable 78% response from all households on our electoral register. The results were collated, recorded and shared with our community and those organisations who have helped us throughout the process. A summary of these results is attached in Appendix 3.



The final stages were the creation of an ‘Action Plan’ and the writing of the Community Led Plan itself. This was done initially via our steering group meetings, sharing discussions with community and external group members. A draft was agreed and made available to staff of the supporting bodies as well as our community at a re-launching of the refurbished village hall on 23 February 2014. After a final phase of consultation it is hoped to have the CLP report adopted by our Parish Council at their meeting on 11 March 2014. Thereafter the report will be printed and circulated to every household on our electoral register and to our partners, then be available on line via ACT.

Summary of the results

It was a long but rewarding task to disseminate the vast input from our community over the past eighteen months, involving, inevitably, views that were sometimes conflicting, sometimes unanimous, but always interesting. Our major findings were :

- 1) Many of our community assets are highly valued and should be safeguarded, as evidenced by the following quotes from our community (% agreement given in the questionnaire responses) :**

“We have a super location which attracts a worldwide clientele” (95%)

“Views of mountains, hills, lake and river from the village are valued and should be protected” (85%)



“What I like most is the sense of community and friendliness of the people” (82%)

“We have friendly shops, post office, pubs, cafes, and church and we value these facilities” (95%)

“Active use of the village hall for fetes, coffee mornings and sales brings visitors in and keeps the hall going” (89%)

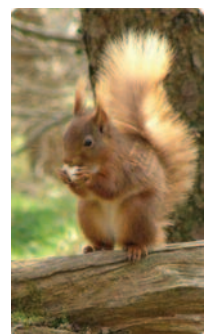


These areas deserve our attention when considering the impact of any other proposed changes to our community. We think we have recognised this in our proposed Action Plan.

2) There is a high level of agreement on some areas of improvement to our community and environment where a solution appears feasible :

- Litter - “real problem for the village” (94%), “litter in fields, verges, lake shore” (89%), “more ‘dog poo’ facilities needed” (81%), “no litter bins in car parks” (80%)
- Infrastructure improvements in the village (82%)
- Flood Group support (84%)
- Footpath improvements (76%)
- Red squirrel numbers encouragement (91%)

This group provides a very positive agenda and are included in our Action Plan



3) There are recognised issues where the view of the community is divided :

- village hall car parking charge introduction (54% agree / 31% disagree)
- coach parking spaces in village (55% agree / 30% disagree)
- time limit on parking by the shops (45% agree / 36% disagree)
- extend 40 mph zones around the village (45% agree / 32% disagree)
- employ cameras in village (46% agree / 36% disagree)

The differing views seen above are understandable, having regard to the diversity of our parish. Where one lives, what one's employment or business relies upon, one's age, and how safe one feels are all contributory factors. These areas deserve full research, in liaison with service authorities and in step with the community's growing ability to monitor and take more control of parish affairs. We have attempted to reflect this in our Action Plan.

Subject areas

Social and Cultural

Evidence here of our community's appreciation of what we already enjoy, a "sense of community", with "friendly" village facilities. The new group events we would like to bring into the village, such as "curry / fine dining", "craft" and "team competitions", together with new facilities in situ, such as "a stage in the village hall", a "play area" and "new benches". Finally overwhelming support for the idea of preserving our local heritage and history with projects such as "celebrating the 250th anniversary of our bridge", "commemorating WW1 centenary" and updating our "history of Pooley Bridge."

Our Action Plan sets out to take up the challenges above, and indicates where this process has already started. However one area illustrates the other side of our idyllic rural living and scale of population - the need for "more recreation / sport facilities" for our youth. To construct anything locally is in competition with first class facilities that exist in Penrith and schools within 5 miles of the village. Our rural position, (in Eden, the least densely populated district in England and Wales),



with no school, no health centre, no leisure centre nor shopping precinct, means that transport is vitally important. The cost, inflexibility and unreliability of public transport helps to explain why our parish has a relatively high vehicle ownership (with 57% of Barton households having two or more vehicles compared to the national average of 32% - census 2011). This also rationalises the high degree of apathy towards public transport (see Transport section).

Governance

The responses here are a direct call to the Barton Parish Council members, reminding them of their elected duties to represent the views of their community and to attempt “to gain more powers to serve our community.”

We hope the council will adopt our proposed Action Plan and include the issues permeating all sections in their own plans, budgets and agendas, to ensure fulfilment of the parish aspirations.

Transport and Connectivity

A comment about the “lack of convenient public transport times” in our survey met with a 62% ‘no view’, and 20% ‘disagreement’. This could reflect rural living, where flexible, affordable and reliable public transport is rare. The government already concedes that rural under-funding exists, bus subsidies are under threat and this may also explain why 57% of Barton households have two or more private vehicles (compared to 32% nationally). There is no proposal in our Action Plan to tackle this, in the knowledge that Eden DC and RSN, (Rural Services Network), are actively campaigning with central government for fairer rural funding.

Another major issue, “provide coach parking” inside / outside the village, which has defied solution for many years, requires the support of landowners and several authorities and our Action Plan reflects this.

Some issues divide the community view, such as proposals to deal with road safety. With farming and tourism our major industries, there are many and large vehicles using our rural roadways daily. Research is essential and our Action Plan aims to establish a balance between unobstructed vehicle usage, cost, and the ultimate protection of life against reckless driving.

Services

Predictably, the main service issues raised are control of litter, dog poo, re-cycling, public seats and footpaths, village infrastructure and renewable energy. These gained massive support from our survey and we have attempted to address each area in our Action Plan, as well as indicating initiatives already under way.

Services generally are being affected by restrictions on national and local government spending. This is exacerbated by an unfair formula for rural funding, now recognised by

government. For Barton residents and businesses this is further emphasised by high property prices, which brings high council tax bands and thence rates. Appendix 1 - fig 5 shows Barton households with 57% of higher council tax bands, D-H, compared to 27% across Cumbria and 31% across England. We pay a higher proportion of rates into an under funded rural pot. Our Action Plan seeks to lobby authorities for adequate service provision.



Environmental

The survey response for this section demonstrates overwhelming support for ideas to promote a good living environment by improving the village appearance, helping to build resilience against flooding, encouraging the red squirrel population and controlling that of carrion. There is almost universal support to “protect the views from the village of mountains, hills, lake and river”, indicative of how important the landscape is to our tourism and residents alike. Our Action Plan proposes a way forward in each area.

Equity

There is a strong sense of injustice expressed here by the community that our car parks, (managed by the LDNPA who choose to do so without supervision and without litter bins), give rise to crime and appalling unsightly mess. The residents, aware of the impact on visitors, choose to litter pick and exercise vigilance via their neighbourhood watch network. None of the latter is financed from the high tariffs charged to visitors by the LDNPA. Our Action Plan proposes a two tiered way forward.

Economy

Our community, without dissent, believes “we have a super location which attracts a world wide clientele - vital to our economic success.” There is a concern to prevent the very ingredient of success from becoming its undoing. “The size and expansion of holiday parks and campsites needs to be controlled,” (85% agreement), and “a balance between the village and tourism is essential”, (89% agreement). Mutual respect between our local business proprietors and our community is an important aspect which our Action Plan addresses.

A related issue is that of second homes in the parish. Half of the survey responses agreed with the view that “second homes let to tourists is a net benefit to the village.” The 2011 census (Appendix 1 fig 4), shows that 30% of the parish households were ‘vacant dwellings’. Some of these are genuine ‘vacancies’, (awaiting re-let etc), but most are

second homes, many let to tourists. It should be recognised that in Pooley Bridge many of the second homes let to tourists are owned by people born and bred in the parish. Their capital is deployed in the tourist industry - which contributes to their livelihood. The Action Plan proposes to monitor activity being undertaken by the LDNPA and South Lakes authority towards the control of use of second homes, so that our community is properly aware of the issues and opportunities for consultation.

The final ‘Economy’ issue is employment. “Jobs and the economy are the drivers for new local housing developments - not the other way round.” Appendix 1 - fig 3 shows the 2011 census employment analysis for Barton, which confirms the dominance of farming and tourism at 43%, (or 52% if ‘retail’ is added). The balance across other diverse areas is reinforced by other census data which shows that 20% of our parish working population are self employed, (compared to 10% for England and Wales) ; 19% work from home, (England and Wales 4%) ; and 35% of all adults in Barton hold degree (or higher) qualifications, (England and Wales 27%). This position would indicate that the local housing supply has not been inadequate.



Housing and the Built Environment

“Housing solutions should be community-led, not imposed from outside” and “the local community should be better informed and have a greater say in local planning” was supported by 86 % of responses in our survey.

Recent local events are relevant here. In 2006 HRH Prince Charles ‘opened’ Heughscar Close in Pooley Bridge, a new development of 8 affordable homes. Covered by a section 106 agreement to ensure the land belongs to the community in perpetuity, it has successfully provided a step on the housing ladder for local people. Added to existing accommodation of one social housing and five employment tied housing this means that 18 % of the total village housing is ‘affordable’ to local people. Since 2006 almost every house in Heughscar Close has been re let (or re-sold on part ownership). In 2013 only two local people were registered on the housing list.



It was a great surprise to the community, therefore, that in 2011 the LDNPA ‘allocated’ land in Pooley Bridge for new affordable housing (final site to accommodate up to 18 houses). Community responses showed 98% objection. Barton Parish Council also objected. Main objections were lack of consultation, lack of evidence for need, landscape / amenity detriment, lack of facilities in village, no school, health centre, or play area, current infrastructure problems, increased traffic emissions and congestion. The LDNPA was unmoved. A Public Hearing heard

objections from our council and our community. The Independent Examiner asked the LDNPA to re-think the allocated site. The LDNPA amended the ‘site specific conditions’ but refused to withdraw the allocation, even though the intention of the landowner remains unclear.

The community has given its reaction to this history in its response to our Community Led Plan process, in the subsequent survey and now in this report. Our proposed Action Plan reflects this.

Next Steps

We will seek adoption of our plan by the Barton Parish Council at their meeting on 11 March 2014. Hopefully they will integrate it with their own medium and longer term plans and budgets. Interim responsibility for short term advocated actions, arising from the CLP, is already being taken by volunteers of existing groups, e.g. Neighbourhood Watch. What is absolutely clear is that the CLP is not a one-off report to be shelved for future use. It is a working document, aspects of which will be adopted and where feasible, actioned by the appropriate bodies as detailed in the Action Plan. It is expected that the plan will be monitored and reviewed, at least annually, by the Parish Council. Hopefully its impact will be continuous.

A printed copy of the CLP will be delivered to every household on the parish electoral register. Critical to its success will be the availability of volunteers, both to existing groups and to new ventures to be launched.

Ask not “what can this community do for me?”but.....“what can I do for this community?”

If you feel that you would like to help achieve anything that has been included in this report, by way of direct volunteering to new or existing groups in the parish, or by way of funding or fund-raising, please get in touch with any of the contacts listed in the section below.

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Contacts

If you would like to discuss or receive more information about this Plan, or if you feel you could contribute in any way to the fulfilment of any of the Action Plans, please feel free to contact any of the steering group members listed above that you already know. Otherwise contact either :

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Glossary

ACRE - Action with Communities in Rural England, national body

ACT - ACTion with Communities in Cumbria, the organisation at Redhills providing support for community activity across the county. Provided the 'Community Profile for Barton (Parish)', commissioned by ACRE and RCAN from OCSI

BPC - Barton Parish Council

CCAG - Co-chair Admin Group, local volunteers providing admin service to the Steering Group of the Barton Community Led Plan

CCC - Cumbria County Council

CLP - Community Led Plan

Cumbria Intelligence Observatory - organisation providing high quality research information and intelligence about the county

EDC - Eden District Council

EHA - Eden Housing Association - provide affordable housing, manage EDC social housing stock and are managing agents for other associations and trusts

LDNPA - Lake District National Park Authority, also our 'local planner'

OCSI - Oxford Consultants for Social Inclusion

ONS - Office for National Statistics

PO - Post Office, in Pooley Bridge

RCAN - Rural Community Action Network

RSN - Rural Services Network - an organisation devoted to safeguarding and improving services in rural communities across England

UVP - Ullswater Valley Planning (groups), comprising local residents, farmers, businesses, Parish Council, Visitor and LDNPA representatives, to interpret the National Park Vision at a local level

WI - National Federation of Women's Institutes, Pooley Bridge & District branch

WW1 - World War 1

Action Plan

On the following pages :

Barton Community Led Plan - ACTION PLAN

Ref	Issue	Action(s)	How to Tackle It	Lead Group & Partners	Priority	Timescale	Resources
	SOCIAL & CULTURAL						
SC1	Playground in Village	a) Formalise arrangements to make facilities which already exist in Holiday Parks available to children/grandchildren of residents.	Obtain written agreement between Holiday Park Owners and BPC ensuring H&S & insurance provisions	Barton Parish Council - Holiday Park Owners	High	One year	BPC Clerk
		b) Secure agreement with LDNPA under Local Plan policy CS05 that playground provision becomes development condition for any new housing.	Via UVP and BPC agendas, with EDC approval	UVP representatives from BPC - LDNPA, BPC, potential Developer(s)	High	One Year	BPC + UVP volunteer representatives
		c) Seek other potential site(s), play equipment specification & installers and funding sources.	Working Group to communicate with landowners, suppliers and potential funding sources	New Community Volunteer Group needed / LDNPA /UVP	High	1-2 Years	New volunteers + EDC LDNPA / Lottery grants
SC2	A stage for shows/ cinema in Village Hall	Provide either portable or permanent stage structure in the hall	Draw up specifications from interested groups, compare costs and arrange funding	Village Hall Committee - BPC - EDC	High	One year	Volunteers+fund-raising/BPC/EDC CWMET grants
SC3	Village Hall car park - charge visitors in holidays	Owing to shared ownership / usage with St. Paul's / conflicting demand/ limited space, hold for possible future application	Re-appraise at annual budget stage, prioritisation of income sources	Village Hall Committee - St.Paul's PCC	Low	Annual	Within existing two committees
SC4	More social activities for residents	Organise events to satisfy community demand for occasional curry nights / fine dining, craft groups, monthly meals, team competitions, winter / seasonal events	Trial, non-advertised, Xmas meal already taken place in December. Volunteers to work with village venues to devise programmes. Create club structure for emerging activities.	Exiting Community Led Plan Steering Group - BPC, Village Hall Committee, W.I.,Church Group	High	Continuous	Volunteers+ fund-raising events supported by local businesses + grants
SC5	More facilities for youth recreation / sport in Village	Ensure that the village youth have every opportunity for good recreation / sport involving teamwork. For this, excellent facilities exist in Penrith and at schools	The cross-section of ages in the village means that support for village teams/competition is too low at present. Provide transport to Penrith.	Village Parents - Volunteer drivers, PTA	Low	Continuous	Volunteer drivers

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SC6	More benches / seats in village and parish	Provide attractive benches at key points throughout the village and parish.	Already underway with the donation,(W.I.) of two brand new attractive wooden benches outside village hall. Annual review of repair costs at Budget time	Barton Parish Council - W.I., Church Groups, LDNPA, Landowners	High	Continuous	BPC budget, institute, personal memorial donations + volunteers
SC7	Celebrate 250th anniversary of our bridge in 2014	During 2014 fund raise by sale of bridge memorabilia, bridge 'toll' day event, history leaflets, to afford a plaque and floodlighting	Formation of Pooley Bridge Heritage Society with first project being 'Bridge Celebration'	New Volunteer Group needed / BPC, LDNPA, UVP	High	One year	New volunteers + fund raising / grants BPC, CCC, EDC, LDNPA, Heritage Lottery
SC8	Heritage Board on Pinfold Site	Commission a heritage board on Pinfold site to accompany new BPC stewardship	P B Heritage Society agenda - research, agree design, costing, funding events	- as above	High	One year	- as above
SC9	Update Towler's History of Pooley Bridge	Record a reliable history of Pooley Bridge using existing records, registers and memorabilia as well as 'oral' history.	Via PB Heritage Society engage a trained archivist to instruct members of all age groups the skills of preserving and enjoying local history and heritage.	- as above	High	3-4 Years	- as above
SC10	Commemorate WW1 Centenary	Support refurbishment of Lych Gate War Memorial and involve community in preserving our local history during WW1	BPC has already made a donation to the appeal fund. Through the PB Heritage Society cover this era during course of above project	- as above	High	3-4 Years	- as above
GOVERNANCE							
G1	Communication / understanding LDNPA , BPC & community	Improve communication methods, practices, and understanding between LDNPA, BPC, and the community	Already under way, visit of Head of Spatial Planning to BPC meeting / written LDNPA guidance notes on planning applications. BPC-planned new notice boards/ minutes emails/ website development	Barton Parish Council - LDNPA & Barton Community	High	1-2 Years	BPC / BPC budget / Clerk

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G2	Barton Parish representation on Ullswater VP group	Ensure Barton Parish is represented on Ullswater Valley Planning groups	Continue existing representation (4 Barton residents) and use LDNPA nominated Parish representative.	Barton Parish Council - LDNPA, UWVP	High	Continuous	BPC / resident volunteers
G3	Barton Parish Council - aim for 'Quality Status'	BPC to create conditions to achieve the Quality Status recognition	Upgrade communications, continue Councillor and Clerk training and achieve successful elections	Barton Parish Council - CALC, EDC, CCC & LDNPA	High	Continuous	BPC, BPC budget,
	TRANSPORT & CONNECTIVITY						
TC1	Road safety : -Speeding / reckless driving	a) Extend existing 40mph speed limits on roads approaching village to enable more successful police speed checks	Join with Neighbourhood Police Team in application to Highways Authority for implementation / control	Barton parish Council - CCC / Cumbria Constabulary	High	One Year	CCC/ CC budget plus volunteer NW members
		b) Research use, cost, funding and monitoring of cameras in the village versus alternative safety / security means	Create a NW / NPT / Crime Prevention working party to report findings to Parish Council	Neighbourhood Watch - NPT / CP	High	1-2 Years	NPT / CP plus local volunteer NW members
TC2	Coach parking provision in / outside of village	Engage with Ullswater Steamers, landowners, LDNPA, CCC and Dacre PC to secure appropriate site(s) and construction funding	Pursue via Ullswater Valley Planning agenda - Economy Group - to ensure compatible with area plans and funding	Barton Parish Council - Business / landowners / LDNPA / CCC / Dacre PC	High	2 Years	Authorities / Commercial budgets / BPC volunteer time
TC3	Community transport use - e.g. Rural Wheels	Advertise more extensively and effectively the different aspects of existing community transport facilities	Use Grapevine / directory of services, village notice boards, NW / WI newsletters	Barton Parish Council - NW / WI	Medium	Continuous	Existing social group budgets / volunteers
TC4	Bridge traffic lights - too bright	Install filters / directional flow on lights	Application from BPC to CCC Highways	Barton Parish Council - CCC	Low	One Year	CCC budget / BPC volunteer

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TC5	Car parking in village / limit on area by shops	Review existing arrangements when major authority decisions on Ullswater transport are available. Meanwhile current pragmatic scheme to continue	With representation at Ullswater level, canvass with LDNPA, CCC and commercial organisations for adequate cover for village	Ullswater Valley Planning Group - Barton Parish Council, Landowners	Medium	Continuous	CCC, LDNPA, landowner / commercial budgets
	SERVICES						
S1	Residents Only Garden Skip	Provide adequate garden refuse facilities all year round	a) Garden skip already supplied by EDC contractors (not winter months). Negotiate for bigger skip, right place, all year. b) Canvass for garden re-cycling bins as already available in other parishes.	Barton Parish Council - EDC	High	One Year	BPC / BPC Budget
				Barton Parish Council - EDC	High	Continuous	BPC /BPC budget
S2	Litter in summer season	More frequent bin emptying -high season Co-ordinated street sweeping, regular litter picks, adequate dog poo provision	- Continue process,EDC programme of works to BPC with updates to BPC rep. - Dog poo bins withdrawn, general bins increased (take dog poo), engage holiday parks in dog owner education - EDC equip to BPC for volunteer litter picks	EDC - Barton Parish Council, village volunteers, holiday park owners	High	Continuous	EDC budget/ BPC budget/ village volunteers, holiday park staff
S3	Public seats maintenance	Ensure public seats in good repair and appearance	Establish register, annual inspection, to control cost of repairs. Carry out work as required. Replace if necessary. Liaise local organisations/ personal donors	Barton Parish Council - local trades/ craft workers / national suppliers/ community	Medium	Continuous	BPC budget, BPC, memorial donations, grant applications,local volunteers

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S4	Footpath from village to Waterfoot should be upgraded	Upgrade footpath from village to Waterfoot	BPC and Waterfoot Holiday Park to specify requirements and secure landowner(s) consent, then implement upgrade.	Waterfoot Holiday Park - BPC, LDNPA Landowner	Medium	1-2 Years	Waterfoot Holiday Park / LDNPA budgets / volunteers
S5	Create pathways for walkers / cyclists	Support Ullswater Valley Planning Group's proposal for footpath around the lake	Continue BPC representation on UVP group and lobby landowners around northern end of lake to co-operate in joint venture	Barton Parish Council - LDNPA, UVP, Landowners	Medium	2 Years	LDNPA budget / volunteers
S6	Neighbourhood Watch Signs	All signs to be in good repair. Replace when required to maintain village standard	NW Co-ordinators to arrange inspections, records, repairs and renewals, Liaison National NW	Pooley Bridge NW group - National NHTA, BPC	Low	Continuous	NW grants, fund raising, BPC budget, PBNW
S7	Defibrillator(s) for village	Fund raising, volunteer recruitment, agreement on siting, first responder training volunteers	NW Co-ordinators to liaise with NW Ambulance Service (1) to provide a defibrillator in village (2) to create first responder unit in village	Pooley Bridge NW group - NWAS, BPC EDC CCC	High	2-3Years	NW Fund raising, EDC+CCC+BPC budgets / grants, volunteers
S8	Local Services Directory	Create, maintain, update a directory of validated local services	Discuss with local businesses and community & advertisers. Build up register, agree launch. Aim self funding.	New Volunteer Group needed - Grapevine, local traders, community	Medium	1-2 Years	New volunteers + BPC/ initial grant
S9	Village control of more services	Bring control of more services locally. Public toilets, re-cycling, car parking, with possible establishment of village warden.	Elements under way - EDC - toilets pilot scheme; re-cycling established - more advertising for more revenue; car parking - private initiatives.	Barton Parish Council - EDC, LDNPA, landowners, local businesses	High	One Year	EDC budget, Grant CWMET, BPC budget, village warden

Ref	Issue	Action(s)	How to Tackle It	Lead Group & Partners	Priority	Timescale	Resources
S10	Village Infrastructure improvements - surface water & drainage	Pending any building development, and serious upgrades, improve current service performance to mitigate local difficulties	Already ongoing with re-launched CCC services / area stewards. Work programmes, updates, co-ordinated utility work. BPC / community to supply feedback on contractors to authorities. UU odour control	Barton Parish Council - community, EDC, CCC, UU	High	Continuous	Combined budgets of CCC, EDC, UU, with BPC & community volunteers
S11	Community district heating scheme - hydropower/ heat pumps	Undertake a feasibility study for a community led scheme, built by the community	Take initial guidance from a local consultant re options / grants. Form a village energy group. Applications for grants / fund raising requirements	New Volunteer Group needed - local consultant, community	Low	1-2 Years	New Volunteers + Energy grants/ CCC, EDC, BPC consultant input
ENVIRONMENTAL							
EN1	Flood Group / Community Support	Create a Community Emergency Plan	Liaise with CCC, ACT and other bodies to set up a Crisis Committee with appropriate training and education. Draw up plan	Barton Parish Council - PBNW, ACT, CCC	High	1-2 Years	Volunteers, fund raising, grants CCC, EDC, Lottery
EN2		Establish the scope for flood prevention and better river management	Add to the efforts of existing flood group to involve wider area (UVP) to capture better financial support	New Crisis Group - UVP, LDNPA, Environmental Agency, Eden River Trust, CCC, landowners BPC/ Dacre PC	High	2-3 Years	- as above
EN3	Village Appearance	Improve village appearance : - replace existing worn, untidy, leaking notice boards	Specify, seek quotations, contract and instal new notice boards	Barton Parish Council - EDC, LDNPA, CCC	Medium	One year	BPC, EDC, LDNPA , CCC budgets/grants
EN4		- repair and maintain village benches and fences	Update Parish Council asset register, introduce annual maintenance inspection/ report, quotes for work required and undertake repair work	- as above	Medium	continuous	- as above

Ref	Issue	Action(s)	How to Tackle It	Lead Group & Partners	Priority	Timescale	Resources
EN5	Village Appearance, (cont'd)	- provide better screening around treatment plant on Eamont riverside	Specify needs to United Utilities and landowner and agree funding. Screen area.	Barton Parish Council - UU, landowner	Low	1-2 years	- as above + UU budget
EN6		Identify and preserve green spaces, enhance lakeside walk / verges	Establish land ownership, rights of way, obligations. Register community 'green space' interests. Discuss with landowners. Agree path, verge maintenance schedule.	Barton Parish Council - Landowners, LDNPA, EDC, CCC, community	Medium	1-2 years	LDNPA / EDC / CCC / BPC / possible village warden
EN7	Encourage red squirrel population	Continued vigilance / culling of greys. Instal more feeders / viewing points in locality e.g. Dunmallet	Liaise with Penrith & District Red Squirrel Group - Ullswater Ranger, and landowners to carry out grey culling and introduce feeders. Advertise reds in Ullswater valley.	Penrith & District Red Squirrel Group - UVP, Ullswater 'Steamers,' landowners, local volunteers	High	Continuous	UVP / P&DRSG / BPC / Ullswater Steamer budgets + local volunteers
EN8	Carrion Control	Subject to legality and feasibility, carry out cull of local carrion population	Apply for licence / clearance. Agree areas with landowners. Advertise for volunteer gun licensed shooters. Organise cull events.	Barton Parish Council - EDC, Landowners, local shooting clubs, local volunteers	Low	1-2 years	BPC / EDC / local shooting club / budgets, local volunteers
	Renewables	Hydro power - see 'Services'					
	EQUITY						
	Footpaths -	Covered under 'Services'					

Ref	Issue	Action(s)	How to Tackle It	Lead Group & Partners	Priority	Timescale	Resources
EQ1	LDNPA - car park policies - no litter bins	Re-introduce litter bins into car parks managed by LDNPA, either by Policy reversal by LDNPA, or by BPC taking on more local responsibilities.	Continue to lobby with LDNPA, UVP, EDC and landowners for re-introduction of litter bins into car parks - basis that litter being cleared by local volunteers without share of high tariffs. At same time pursue 'right to bid' route to get more local control of services, and appointment of village 'warden'	Barton Parish Council - LDNPA, EDC, Landowners, local 'warden'	High	1-2 years	BPC / EDC budgets + community warden set-up grant
EQ2	LDNPA - car park policies - unsupervised	Re-introduce supervision in car parks managed by LDNPA, either by Policy reversal by LDNPA, or by BPC taking on more local responsibilities	As above, but also supervision, lack of which adds to crime rates and is detrimental to our tourist trade, as well as locals.	ditto	High	1-2 years	ditto
ECONOMY							
EC1	Second homes let to tourists - a net benefit to village	With half of responders agreeing, but a quarter disagreeing on this issue, 10% strongly, keep up to date with proposed changes to second home regulations in National Park.	Observe pilot LDNPA activity in South Lakeland and ensure that, if any proposed changes to legislation arise, we can keep our community informed and involved in consultative process, via our established channels.	Barton Parish Council - LDNPA, community	High	Continuous	BPC / BPC budget, volunteers
EC2	Size / expansion of holiday parks & campsites needs to be controlled + infrastructure capacity to cope	Ensure that proposed changes to existing park site arrangements are openly discussed with the BPC, (thus the community), as well as the LDNPA and EDC for planning and licensing matters. Ensure actual changes comply with granted permissions.	Adopt proposals under 'Governance' section above. Encourage more community engagement at BPC meetings with effective advertising. Continue contact with park owners, with regular and ad hoc site visits. Co-operate with LDNPA and community in enforcement action.	Barton Parish Council - LDNPA, CCC, EDC, UU, Park Owners / managers, community,	High	Continuous	BPC / LDNPA / CCC / EDC / local commercial budgets, volunteers

Ref	Issue	Action(s)	How to Tackle It	Lead Group & Partners	Priority	Timescale	Resources
EC3	Balance between village & tourism is essential	Same as above but related to village businesses.	Same as above, but related to village businesses	Ditto, with village business owners / managers	High	Continuous	Ditto
EC4	Jobs & economy are drivers for new local housing developments	Engage with authorities and groups in the search for new and diversified local businesses and jobs	Be actively represented in the Ullswater Valley Planning group - Economy. Business rates relief, marketing, apprenticeship opportunities, visitor giving scheme	Ullswater Valley Planning group - LDNPA, CCC, EDC, BPC, Ullswater Ass'n, Ullswater 'Steamers', local employers	High	Continuous	Combined budgets of LDNPA, CCC, & EDC, possible Govt. grants
EC5	Bulk purchase heating oil scheme	Creation of a residents' central buying scheme for heating oil	Form a village group to examine existing schemes & specify need.	Oil using resident volunteers	Medium	One Year	New Volunteers needed + energy grants, BPC, EDC, CCC
HOUSING AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT							
HB1	Housing solutions should be community-led, not imposed from outside	Further to our affordable housing developments in Pooley Bridge in 2006, ensure that any new development is for local people, when required, in the numbers, type and location evidenced by our community needs and infrastructure capacity.	Continuous BPC communication with LDNPA, EDC, CCC, EHA & CRHT. BPC membership of UVP group. Continuous BPC review of land availability and community land trust and right to build opportunities. Explore possibility of a 'Neighbourhood Plan' including Barton	Barton Parish Council , LDNPA, EDC, CCC, EHA, CRHT, UVP, landowners, community	High	Continuous	BPC budget, local volunteers, potential CLT feasibility grant

Ref	Issue	Action(s)	How to Tackle It	Lead Group & Partners	Priority	Timescale	Resources
HB2	Local community should be better informed and have greater say in local planning	Inform and consult our community on any parish planning applications made, and any strategic planning proposals emanating from our Local Planner, the LDNPA.	Improved communications between BPC and LDNPA, plus BPC representation on the UVP group (see 'Governance Section'). New notice boards, email and website facilities. Plans for inspection on-line and in P.O.	Barton Parish Council , LDNPA, UVP, community	High	Continuous	BPC/ LDNPA budgets, local volunteers
HB3	Parish Council should have greater say in local planning	Increase BPC credibility by aiming for 'Quality Status' and improve communications with LDNPA (see 'Governance Section'). Extend liaison via UVP group. Adopt written guidance on planning applications review from LDNPA	As under 'Governance Section'.	Barton Parish Council , LDNPA, UVP,	High	Continuous	BPC / LDNPA budgets, local volunteers
HB4	Use of empty properties for additional affordable homes	Before any new development of affordable homes, consult with parish landowners to update brownfield site, derelict building and empty house availability.	BPC to extend the process of identifying potential development sites already initiated by LDNPA in the Local Plan Part Two (Land Allocations)	Barton Parish Council , LDNPA, EDC, EHA, landowners	High	Continuous	BPC / LDNPA budgets, landowners, local volunteers

FIG 1 Barton Parish population movement by age group 2001 to 2011

Age Group	2001		2011		Movement
	No.	%	No.	%	
0-4	8	3.4	9	3.8	1
5-15	22	9.5	23	9.7	1
16-24	27	11.6	12	5.0	-15
25-44	70	30.3	55	23.1	-15
45-64	65	28.0	84	35.3	19
65-74	20	8.6	32	13.4	12
75+	20	8.6	23	9.7	3
Total	232	100.0	238	100.0	6
Mean Age	41.8		47.1		
Median Age	43.0		51.0		

Source : 2011 Census ks 102 ew / 2001 Census equivalent

FIG 3

Barton residents aged 16 to 74 in employment week before census

All categories : Industry				
		Residents	%	
Accommodation and food service activities		37	28.5	
Agriculture, forestry and fishing		19	14.6	
Retail / wholesale trade		11	8.5	
-Sub total		67	51.6	
Education		10	7.7	
Human health / social work		9	6.9	
Professional / scientific, technical		8	6.2	
Manufacturing / mining / construction		8	6.2	
Public admin / defence / social security		6	4.6	
Real estate / financial / IT		7	5.4	
Admin support services		5	3.8	
Transport storage		5	3.8	
All other		5	3.8	
-Sub total		63	48.4	
Total		130	100.0	

Source : Census ks 605 ew

FIG 2 Barton age group comparison with Eden, Cumbria and England/Wales - 2011

Barton	Eden	Cumbria	Eng/ Wales
%	%	%	%
3.8	4.5	5.1	6.2
9.7	11.8	11.7	12.6
5.0	9.1	9.9	11.9
23.1	22.0	23.5	27.4
35.3	30.7	29.3	25.4
13.4	12.0	11.1	8.7
9.7	10.0	9.5	7.8
100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
47.1	44.1	42.9	39.4
51.0	46.0	44.0	39.0

Source : 2011 Census ks 102 ew / 2001 Census equivalent

FIG4

Barton Parish households - 2011

	Number	%
Owner Occupied	67	46
Private Rented	22	15
Social Rented	9	6
Living Rent Free	5	3
Sub total	103	70
Vacant Dwellings	45	30
Parish Total	148	100

Source : 2011 census ks401ew / ks402ew

FIG 5

% Households with higher price Council Tax Bands D - H in 2011

	%
Barton	57
Cumbria	27
England	31

Source : Valuation Office Agency 2011

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May 1	First Open CLP Meeting		To establish demand
8	Barton PC Meeting	Update	
May/June		Jubilee Celebrations	Delay
July 10	Barton PC Meeting	Review	Take forward
August 28	Second Open CLP Mtg		Agree Committee
Sept. 11	Barton PC Meeting	First Barton CLP Report	Approval of Outline
Nov. 13	Barton PC Meeting	Progress Report	Steering Grp.est'd/ Links/ACT/LDNPA
Oct/ Nov	Valley Planning mtgs	Cancelled	Further delay



2013

January 8	Barton PC Meeting	Oral Report	ACTGazette-Barton CLP launched
February 7	Valley Planning Mtg.		
18	Steering Group - First Meeting	Minutes	Action Plan/ Form Function Gps/ACT
March 12	Barton PC Meeting	Progress Report	
23	Function Group Mtg - 1	Village Litter Pick	Community consult
25	Function Group Mtg - 2	N.Watch Heartstart	Community consult
26	Valley Planning Mtg.		
April 1	Function Group Mtg - 3	Church Gp Coffee Morn	Community consult
April 17	Steering Group (2)	Action Plan update	Events/draft Public Mtg./Report
24/28	Function Group Mtg - 4	Village Litter Pick	Community consult
May 14	Barton PC Meeting	Progress Report	
15	Function Group Mtg - 5	NW Ann.Report/ Scheme	Community Safety/ Consultation
23	Valley Planning Mtg	Wine/nibbles - Review	
June 1	Function Group Mtg - 6	Environ't Group	
		Walk&Talk-2 Ann.Parish	Community Envir't/ Consultation
		Boundary Walk	



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4	Valley Planning Mtg	Vibrant Community Gp	
11	Valley Planning Mtg	Economy Group	
18	Steering Group (3)	Agree Public Mtg.	Dis.Report/Quest.
July 2	Open Public Mtg - 7	Wheel/Stickers/Boards	View/discuss all
		BBQ / Refreshments	issues to date
16	Barton PC Meeting	Progress Report	
JULY/AUG		SUMMER HOLIDAYS	



Sept.10	Barton PC Meeting	Progress Report	
11/17/24	Valley Planning Mtgs	Environ't/Vibrant/Economy	
October 15	Steering Group - (4)	Agree Question're/Dist'n	Discuss Draft Rep't
Oct. 22-24	CCAG	Questionnaires	Agree ACT& Print
Oct. 25	Steering Gp/CCAG	Questionnaires	To Householders
Nov. 8	Steering Gp/CCAG	Completed Quest'n's	Personal Collect'n
12	Barton PC Meeting	Progress Report	
13	Steering Group - (5)	Quest'n Coll'n/Comments	Draft Report
20	Public Meeting - 8	Prize Draw / Buffet	Qu.results to com
23	EDC Conference	Barton CLP Stall	Community Plan'g
Dec. 3	Steering Group - (6)	Analysis/Prioritis'n	Draft Action/ CLP
Dec. /	CCAG	Draft Action / CL Plan	Liaise all groups

2014

Jan.14	Barton PC Meeting	Progress Report	
Feb. 4	Steering Group -(7)	Barton CL Plan	Agree Draft
Feb. 5 /	CCAG	Draft Barton CLP	Circulate / liaise
			BPC/ACT/LDNPA
			EDC/CCC
23	Public Meeting - 9	Village Hall 'Re-Launch'	Community View
			Draft CLP
Mar. 11	Barton PC Meeting	Barton CL Plan	Council 'Adopt'
12 /	CCAG	BARTON CL PLAN	PUBLISH



1 SOCIAL & CULTURAL

**"Active, inclusive and safe - fair, tolerant
and cohesive with a strong local culture and other shared community activities"**

	Agree Strongly	Agree	No view	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
A play ground / play area is required in the village	14	31	23	7	5
I would visit the Village Hall more if a stage was built for travelling theatre/cinema/amateur dramatics/pantomime	10	36	22	11	1
I think the Village Hall could raise more revenue from its car park by charging visitors in busy holiday periods	7	36	12	19	6
Would you attend more social activities for residents to further improve community spirit and friendship ?					
-curry nights /fine dining.....	4	42	21	13	-
-craft /sewing /rug making groups.....	5	22	37	12	4
-community lunch monthly in local pub.....	4	31	32	12	1
-club / team competitions eg darts.....	3	21	42	12	2
-winter activities eg Xmas lights/ "winter drove".....	4	32	37	4	3
-celebration of end of lambing season event	3	27	43	5	2
We have friendly shops, PO, pubs, cafes, & church and we value these facilities	58	18	4	-	-
What I like most is the sense of community and the friendliness of the people	26	40	12	2	-
Our youth deserve more facilities for recreation /sport in the Village Hall and outside areas	18	36	22	4	-
Should we "Twin" the Village ?	1	2	46	17	14
I think we need more benches / seats in village / parish	7	28	24	19	2
Would you agree with a "Village Improvement Scheme," a levy charged to customers / tourists via existing businesses - to fund projects for the Village?	8	15	16	25	16
Erect memorial plaque on fell to saviour of Ullswater (from becoming a Reservoir)	10	15	30	20	5
Celebrate the 250th anniversary of our bridge in 2014 with a plaque / events / floodlighting / memorabilia/ (cont'd)					

leaflets with history etc	15	40	19	4	2
Introduce heritage board on Pinfold site	5	36	33	3	3
With author's consent, preserve and update Towler's History of Pooley Bridge, involving eg young people to be monitored by trained archivist.	8	47	21	4	-
Commemorate WW1 centenary by supporting refurbishment of Lych Gate War Memorial and involving community in preserving our history	18	37	19	4	2

2 GOVERNANCE

"Well run - with effective and inclusive participation, representation & leadership"

	Agree Strongly	Agree	No view	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
The views of the local community have been ignored by LDNPA. Communication / understanding must improve	23	30	24	-	3
Barton Parish should be represented on the Ullswater Whole Valley Planning groups	23	42	14	1	-
Barton Parish Council should aim for "Quality Status" to gain more powers to serve our community	19	35	24	1	1

3 TRANSPORT & CONNECTIVITY

"Well connected - good transport services & communication linking people to jobs, health and other services"

	Agree Strongly	Agree	No view	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
Provide coach parking spaces in village	17	27	12	13	11
Coach parking for 'Steamers' outside of village	18	42	12	7	1
I have difficulty making journeys due to a lack of public transport at times that are convenient for me	3	11	50	15	1
I would use 'community' transport (eg Rural Wheels), if it were available when needed	9	14	41	15	1
Reduce brightness of Bridge traffic lights	16	13	33	13	5
Extend 40 mph speed restriction - roads in/out of village	14	22	18	22	4
Employ cameras at each end of village to reduce reckless driving / speeding	14	23	14	19	10
Put a limit on time for parking by shops	12	24	15	20	9

4 SERVICES

"Well served - with public, private, community and voluntary services that are appropriate to people's needs and accessible to all"

	Agree Strongly	Agree	No view	Disagree	Disagree strongly
We need, and will use, a 'Residents only' Garden Skip	36	16	21	5	2
In summer litter is a real problem for the village - bins need more frequent emptying & more street sweeping is required - improved CCC/ EDC services are needed	49	26	5	-	-
I believe more regular litter picks by Council/Voluntary Gps. are needed - particularly litter in field / verges / lake shore.	38	33	8	1	-
Council should provide more "dog poo" bins & ensure emptied on regular basis	34	31	11	2	2
Public seats need refurbishment - paint /stain /preservative	9	40	31	-	-
Footpath from Village to Waterfoot should be upgraded	21	31	19	8	1
I could benefit from more Community Care for elderly & disabled people	4	13	53	8	2
Create pathways for walkers / cyclists (as at Coniston)	10	32	22	11	5
I believe we need new (and better) signs promoting Pooley Bridge Neighbourhood Watch	10	33	30	6	1
Placement of one or more defibrillators in Village with training for First Responders is desirable	16	52	10	2	-
Create directory of local services for Parish magazine & notice board -eg mole-catcher / gardener / plumber etc & advertisers pay for church mag.	18	47	15	-	-
Village control of more services eg - public toilets /car parks / re-cycling with associated revenues - requisite advertising	18	32	28	2	-
I would use new Community Allotments if available	-	11	30	28	11
Village infrastructure improvements - surface water / drainage /sewerage are overdue	41	25	13	1	-
I think we should explore a District Heating Scheme, Hydropower /Heat Pumps / Distributed Hot Water(+Cold) - Community led scheme, built by community	23	23	25	5	4

5 ENVIRONMENTAL

"Environmentally sensitive - providing places for people to live that are considerate of the environment"

	Agree Strongly	Agree	No view	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
Flood Group deserves the support of the community with emergency planning links to Rescue Services	22	45	13	-	-
Better river management required -river dredging- free flowing river below bridge - removal of shingle bank	29	27	19	4	1
Improved village appearance is needed with eg :	14	37	17	9	3
-new information boards, village welcome signs.....	17	38	21	3	1
-identified and preserved green spaces.....					
-Improved maintenance of Parish fences and walls, especially at entrance to village.....	25	32	21	1	1
-enhancement of lakeside walk/verges.....	22	31	22	4	1
-better landscaping (?United Utilities) around treatment site in field behind Sun Inn.....	17	31	27	5	-
-views of mountains, hills, lake and river from the village are valued and should be protected.....	41	27	10	1	1
Encourage growth of Red Squirrel numbers - more feeders & grey control	40	33	5	-	2
Exercise Carrion Control (spread of rubbish made worse by big increase in population of crows, jackdaws)	36	30	9	2	3
Renewable energy eg Hydro for street lights in village	25	29	23	1	2

6 EQUITY

"Fair for everyone including those in other communities, now & in the future"

	Agree Strongly	Agree	No view	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
Footpaths : provide the same level of maintenance and access for local Barton footpaths as given to high profile central Lakes	24	37	14	5	-
LDNPA policy of not having litter bins in car parks (no bins, no litter) is not working	38	26	13	3	-
LDNPA car parks are not supervised, despite high (cont'd)					

charges. This adds to crime rates and there is no financial return to Village

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7 ECONOMY

"Thriving - with a flourishing and diverse local economy"

	Agree Strongly	Agree	No view	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
We have a super location which attracts a worldwide clientele - vital to our economic success. Look after it.	53	23	4	-	-
Active use of Village Hall for fetes, coffee mornings and sales brings visitors in & keeps Hall going. Keep it up.	38	33	8	1	-
I think second homes let to tourists is a net benefit to Village	4	36	20	12	8
The size and expansion of holiday parks & campsites needs to be controlled together with the capacity of infrastructure (eg drains) to handle them	41	27	7	4	1
I believe a balance between the village & tourism is essential	33	38	6	3	-
Jobs and the economy are the drivers for new local housing developments - not the other way round	25	25	21	6	3
I would use a bulk purchase heating oil scheme for residents	20	25	26	8	1

8 HOUSING AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

"Well designed and built - featuring a quality built and natural environment"

	Agree Strongly	Agree	No view	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
Housing solutions should be community-led, not imposed from outside	37	31	5	4	3
The local community should be better informed and have a greater say in local planning	35	34	6	4	1
The Parish Council should have a greater say in local planning	33	29	9	7	2
I feel better use of empty properties could be achieved in the provision of additional affordable homes	18	24	23	7	8

Now you've made your points, make them happen! There are lots of opportunities to volunteer as part of existing groups or brand new groups to be established. Help fund raising. See Contacts section above.



Pooley Bridge