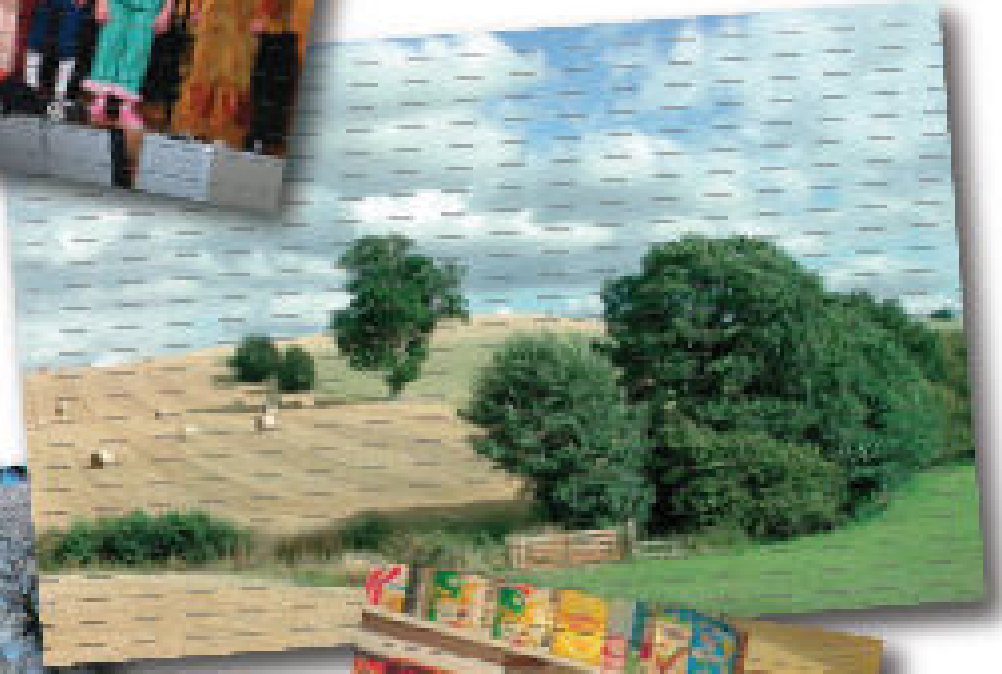


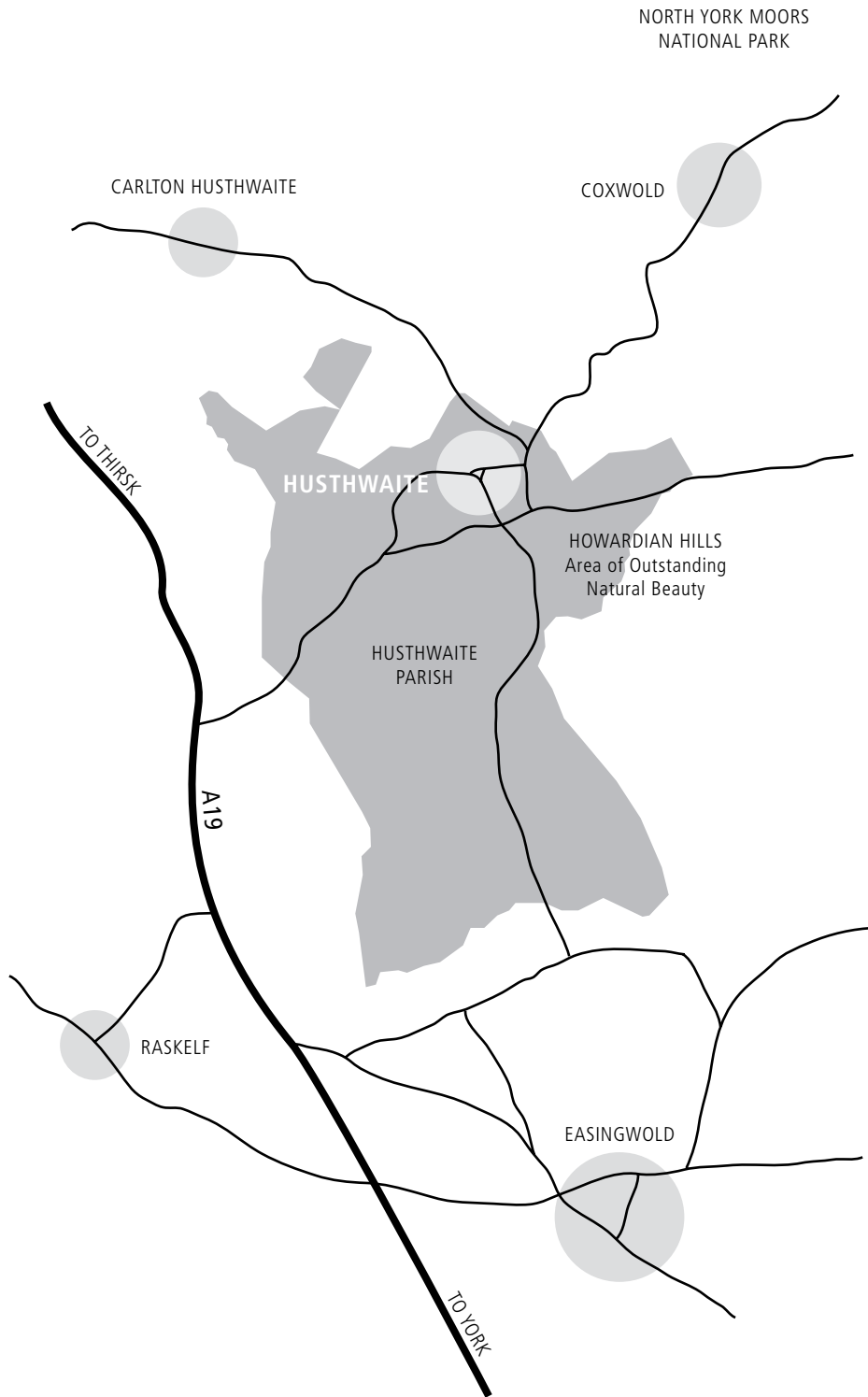
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Foreword

Over the years Husthwaite has achieved much, but it is essential to grasp new opportunities as they arise. I am pleased that the decision has been taken to prepare a Parish Plan. The village is not immune from the many changes affecting rural life and needs to move with the times. Nowadays national and local government increasingly see parish plans as the key to the way ahead. The Plan is of relevance to everybody who lives or works in the parish but its recommendations will only be turned into action if people and organisations work together.

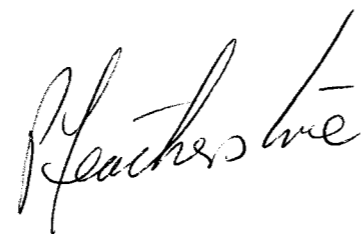
Clear priorities have emerged based on the views of residents. The challenge now is how to move forward with the Action Plan in order to bring about improvements through local initiatives, partnership working, lobbying key authorities and exploring potential sources of funding.

Please do not dismiss the Plan as yet another example of the never ending stream of instructions telling us all what to do. This is different. For once we have a document produced by the community for the community, not one imposed from above. Of course this brings its own challenges, especially when negotiating with service providers such as the County or District Councils

to deliver what people want, but this is all part of the process.

I hope that this is not a plan to gather dust on the shelf, look backwards or be used mainly to resist change. It is a document which should be used to manage change and, regularly reviewed, point the way to projects and partnerships which benefit Husthwaite.

Finally I would like to thank all residents, the staff and children of Husthwaite Primary School and the local businesses for their enthusiastic input to this very important project, not forgetting everyone involved in the Parish Plan Steering Group who have spent many hours collating all the information to produce this Plan for your village. It is surprising what can be achieved when a rural community sets its mind to the task and I wish Husthwaite every success in implementing its Plan.



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Introduction

Background

Towards the end of 2005, the Parish Council instigated the development of a Parish Plan. In just over a year, this goal has been reached, thanks to the enthusiastic and committed support of the community.

The Steering Group

Peter Davison was asked by the Parish Council to lead a Steering Group made up of volunteers which has worked together since the end of February 2006. Its remit was to:

- ★ devise and implement a consultation process
 - ★ review the results of the consultation process
 - ★ turn those results into the Parish Plan.
- Progress has been reported regularly in the Newsletter.

Funding

A successful bid for funding to develop the Parish Plan resulted in an award of £2,550 from Yorkshire Rural Community Council. A further £300 was contributed by the Parish Council. Most of the total of £2850 was spent on the Consultation Launch and printing costs.

Consultation

Involvement of the whole community – always a high priority – was achieved primarily through a photographic project, a Consultation Launch event in the village hall in May 2006, an extensive questionnaire in July 2006 and a final village consultation in January 2007.

In April, over 50 disposable cameras were circulated to a wide variety of village residents. They were asked to take pictures of aspects of the parish which they liked or disliked and aspects of other villages which they would like to see in Husthwaite. From the hundreds

of photos submitted, the Steering Group selected a representative sample which was displayed at the May event and which stimulated lively discussion. The children at the local primary school also produced some wonderful 3D models of features they would like to have in the village.

The May event was attended by over 100 people. They were each asked to post comments on the photographs and models and on a largescale map of the parish. All comments were then reviewed and used in drafting the questionnaire to ensure that it raised all the issues of concern.

The questionnaire was distributed to every household in the parish. 140 of 165 were returned – a fantastic response and one well above the average for questionnaires of this nature. Interest was widespread and the process seems to have further enriched what was already a very strong community spirit.

Using all the material received during the consultation processes, the steering group produced the Parish Plan reflecting the general views of the community. The final village consultation was again well supported with around 60 in attendance. This occasion presented an opportunity to share the results of the questionnaire, distribute copies of the Consultation Draft, talk through key features and receive comments and questions.

The next step

It is hoped that the Plan will help inform all strategic planning for Husthwaite and give added weight to grant applications for a wide variety of projects.

It is important to emphasise that the Plan is not the end product – it is a

steering mechanism. Implementation of the objectives listed in the action plan is the key to making real progress, maintaining what is good and ensuring that Hushwaite becomes an even better place in which to live. The overall responsibility for delivery, monitoring of progress and reporting to the community will now be undertaken by the Parish Council.

Finally, sincere appreciation must be expressed to everyone who has contributed in any way to this plan.

Statistical evidence

The 2005 estimates for parish population give Hushwaite 410. Questionnaires were completed by 353. This response rate strongly endorses the validity of the outcome as a true expression of the views of the inhabitants of Hushwaite, as does the household response referred to above.

Response Rate

Of the 165 questionnaires delivered, 140 completed copies were returned – a response rate of 84.8%. The main questionnaire was to be answered by every adult (aged 16 and above) in each household. The maximum number of possible responses on any of the 33 questions therefore was 271. A separate questionnaire was attached to obtain the views of young people (aged 15 and below).

Use of Statistics

Actual numbers have been used throughout for responses to individual questions. Varying response rates and low numbers could in some cases be misleading if expressed in percentage terms. Similarly, references to a ‘majority’ relate only to the number of people answering a question.

Failure to respond to any question could be for a variety of reasons, for example uncertainty or indifference or even ‘questionnaire fatigue’! The Steering Group has tried to gauge support for any action not only by the questionnaire responses but also by comments made throughout the consultation process.

Use of Results

Given the length of the questionnaire and the level of response, it is not practicable to include all the questionnaire results in the Plan or to refer to every comment made throughout the consultation process. However, all results and comments have been recorded and are available for inspection from the Parish Council. Where appropriate they will be passed on to the relevant people or body charged with implementation of the Action Plan.

Profile of respondents to questionnaire

Age profile

Age	0-4	5-16	17-20	21-39	40-64	65+
Males	18	32	13	23	66	31
Females	10	22	4	23	71	40
Total	28	54	17	46	137	71

Grand Total: 353

Work/training/voluntary activities

(excluding school education)

Work/training/voluntary activities (excluding school education)		Mode of travel	
In Parish	56	Car/Van/Car share	166
Within 10 miles	79	Motor cycle/moped	4
Over 10 miles away	71	Private Bus	1
Frequency		Service Bus	6
Daily	116	Bicycle	9
Weekly	51	Walk	18
Less often	8	Other (mostly work at home)	5

Key features of Hushwaite

Geographical location

Hushwaite is situated in an elevated position on the east side of the Vale of York – four miles north of Easingwold and two miles east of the A19 – and is easily accessible to the main service areas of Easingwold and Thirsk.

Part of the parish is within the nationally designated Howardian Hills Area of

Outstanding Natural Beauty. The village is a designated Conservation Area and is adjacent to the North Yorkshire Moors National Park.

History

The name, Hushwaite or ‘Hus thveit’ came from the age of Scandinavian settlement and means ‘house in the clearing’. The nucleus of Hushwaite

grew up beside the old Saxon settlement of 'Baxebi' which is mentioned in the great Domesday Inquisition of 1087. At the time of the Norman Conquest, the vill of Husthwaite was gifted to the Archbishop of York and it remained church property until the 19th Century.

Village landmarks

Husthwaite today reflects its ancient history and traditions. There is a rich variety of architectural styles. The parish church of St Nicholas, built in the 12th Century from locally quarried brown stone, is at the heart of the village. It occupies the dominant site at the centre of the village where Low Street, High Street and The Nookin meet at the village green. For many, this is the spiritual and dynamic heart of the village, loved and valued by both its residents and visitors. From its centre, the curved flow of the ancient lines of dwellings give character to the village scene.

Rural setting

Husthwaite is surrounded by beautiful

undulating countryside which gives the village a particularly rural atmosphere. The myriad of footpaths and bridleways in and around the village are much used. There are also a number of 'green areas' within the village boundaries which add to the rural charm.

Community spirit

Husthwaite is characterised by its strong sense of community. It is fortunate to have a primary school, church and chapel, village store and 'The Roasted Pepper' pub/restaurant, together with mobile services provided by the milkman and butcher. Many people willingly volunteer their time and energy to a variety of activities. A wide range of social events takes place, often in the village hall, and these are well supported. The big celebratory occasions have been magnificent – most recently the pantomime and whole-village parties to mark the Millennium and the Queen's Golden Jubilee. This warmth and concern for others makes Husthwaite a very special place in which to live.

Community life

The first few questions in the questionnaire touched on a wide variety of topics which were developed in more detail elsewhere.

What people like about living in Husthwaite?

There was a huge response to this question confirming that the residents of Husthwaite really appreciate their village. Key features were the quality of life and the fact that Husthwaite is an attractive friendly village set in lovely countryside.

The top features selected were:

Surrounding countryside	225
Quality of life	192
Friendly people	172
Community spirit	140
Easy to travel out	105
Attractive village	200
Primary School	100
Church/Chapel	100

Sources of information on the village?

There are high levels of satisfaction with present arrangements. The amount and quality of information was considered to be adequate by 223 people. Just 4 were not satisfied.

Newsletter	196
The Link	187
Word of mouth	185
Shop window	107
Noticeboards	86
Leaflets	73
Local Press	42
Website	7

Improvements people would like to see in Husthwaite?

The greatest matters of concern were:

Better roads/pavements	132
More facilities for the young	132
Slower traffic	123
Better bus service	113
Regular police presence	87
More for senior citizens	59
Less anti-social behaviour	26

The quality of service from key public bodies given to the parish

	Very good	Good	Average	Poor	Don't know
NYCC	9	50	<u>87</u>	56	37
Hambleton DC	7	15	<u>89</u>	37	26
Parish Council	12	<u>77</u>	70	28	39
Police	0	36	56	<u>78</u>	46

Respondents were asked what more the Parish Council could do for them. The points most commonly recurring were:

- ★ to be more open
- ★ to be more businesslike
- ★ to communicate more effectively
- ★ to be more proactive
- ★ to seek more consultation with the village in pursuing planning matters, traffic problems, environmental concerns
- ★ to be representative and enlightened on rural issues

Emerging Priorities

- ★ Seek a more visible and regular police presence in the village
- ★ Involve the Parish Council in the findings of this survey
- ★ Increase dialogue between Parish Council and village

Services and facilities

Crime

Asked if crime or the fear of crime was an important issue in the parish, 140 people answered 'No' and 93 'Yes'.

Neighbourhood Watch

The Neighbourhood Watch arrangements seem to be satisfactory, though a more regular flow of information was requested. A higher police profile would be appreciated.

Education

Would you use the following if provided?
 Holiday playscheme: 28
 Playgroup: 16
 Nursery school: 16
 Other suggestions were a lunch club, an after-school group, a teenage facility and a playing field.

'The primary school is a credit to the village' reflects the general view of respondents. 'A well run school achieving good reports' sums up many replies.

A need for shared facilities and funding between school and village for recreation and leisure was a repeated comment. One major concern was the problem of parking at school.

Links between school and community

Asked about links between school and community, a considerable number of respondents wished to explore shared facilities.

Provision of Health Services

The services of a doctor was the most numerous request followed by a lesser demand for a chiropodist and dentist. Mobile services were advocated by some.

Village Hall

The Hall and some of its activities are managed by a committee which is currently developing a renovation plan. It is noted that the priorities in the emerging plans match most of the improvement priorities expressed below.

What improvements would you like to see to village hall?

External Appearance	180
Parking Provision	165
Kitchen	62
Multi-use facilities	57
Heating	45
Lighting	45
Internal appearance	45
Toilets	37
Disabled access	32

Would you be in favour of a new village hall eventually being built on the same site? Yes: 135, No: 95

Frequency of use of the village hall	
Weekly	7
Monthly	45
Less often	147
Never	26

The village shop

The village shop plays an important part in the life of the community. It is a venue where residents meet for exchanging news as well as purchasing provisions.

Frequency of use (excluding paper delivery)	
Daily	15
Every few days	74
Weekly	57
Less often	105

Developing the service provided by the shop:

A total of 56 people offered comments.

The most common suggestions were:

- ★ offer post office services [12]
- ★ stock local produce [9]
- ★ provide a wider range of goods [7]
- ★ modernise/introduce self-service [5]
- ★ incorporate off-licence sales [3]
- ★ consider altering opening hours, perhaps late on one night [3]
- ★ offer a delicatessen selection [3].

Other suggestions were fresh bread, dry cleaning, home made cakes, external facelift, chill cabinet, over the counter medicine, Sunday papers, free-range eggs, a notice board showing special offers and advertisement of home delivery.

Undoubtedly the most popular request is for post office services.

Included in the comments were many indicating appreciation of the long hours worked by the owners, Mr and Mrs Dowson. Their service to the community is best summed up in one comment: 'They do a splendid job'.

Community provision

The most-wanted community services were

More social events	75
Local emergency help	56
More public seats	30
Volunteer car scheme	26
More carers/befrienders	18
Better disabled access	13

Other suggestions were for more dog litter bins, a monthly cinema in the village hall and a welcome pack.

Church and Chapel

Appreciation of the services they offer are in order of preference

Historic buildings	155
Weddings/baptisms/funerals	148
Community activities	111
Worship	103
None of these	21

People identified their involvement with church and chapel as follows

Weekly	27
Monthly	27
Less often	123
Never	40

Wheelie bin service

The wheelie bin service, introduced in 2004, for collecting domestic and garden waste seems to have been generally well received by the community. Comments on improvements to the service were made by 75 people. The highest demand was for

Weekly black bin collection	29
More kerbside recycling	22
Weekly green bin collection in summer	6
Larger/more black bins	5
Reliable collection service for blue bags	4

Others commented on the excellence of the service, the hazard to users of pavements on collection day and on the need for a more rapid procedure to replace broken or damaged bins.

General facilities

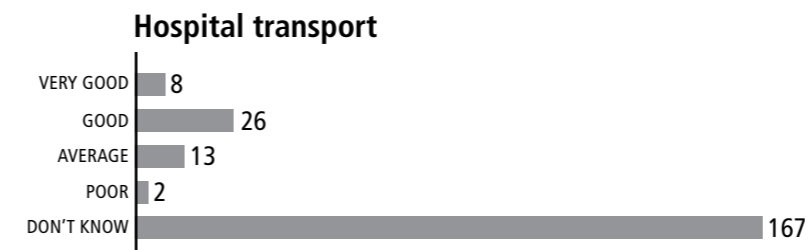
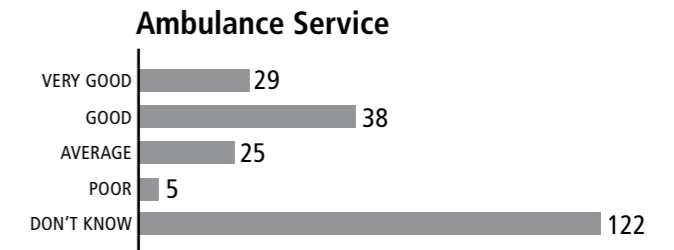
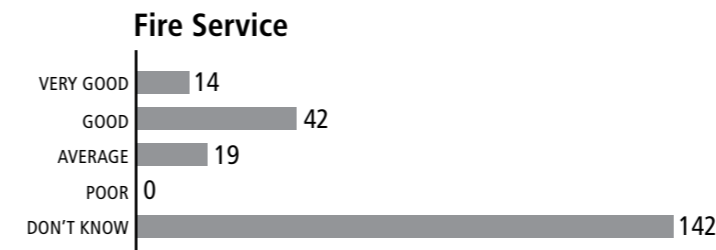
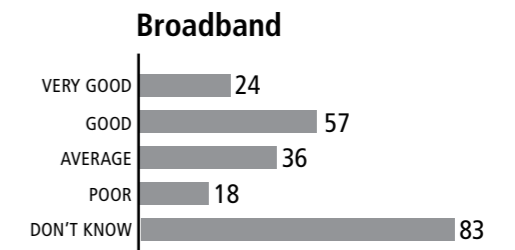
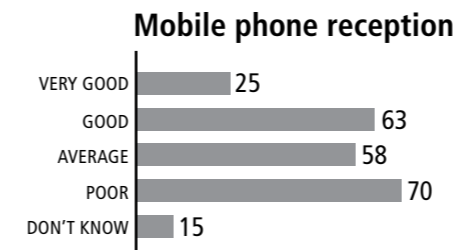
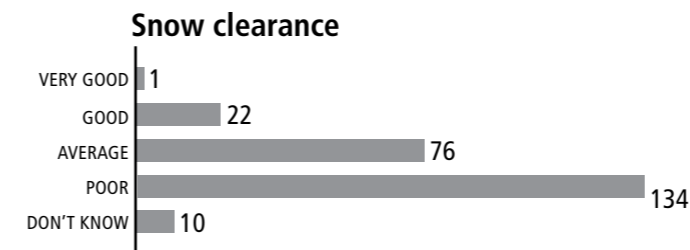
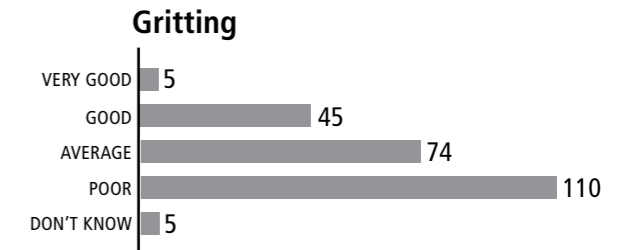
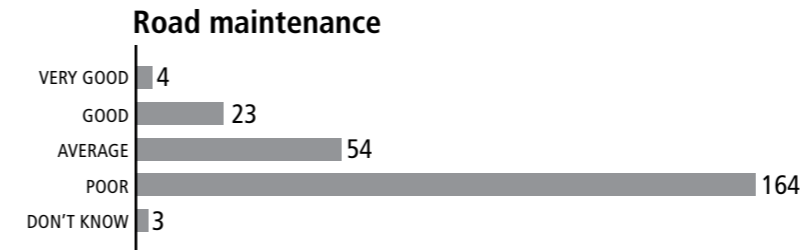
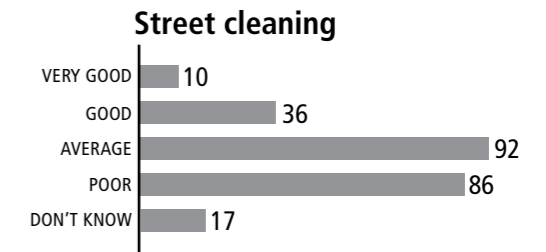
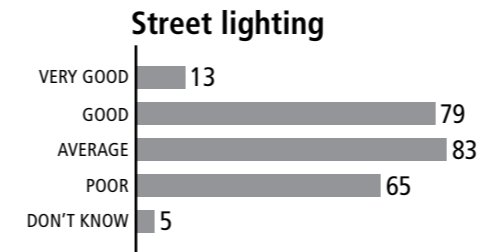
People were asked about their usage of a wide range of services and facilities. Some have been mentioned already, the others were as follows

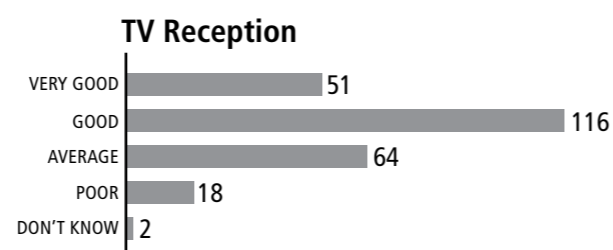
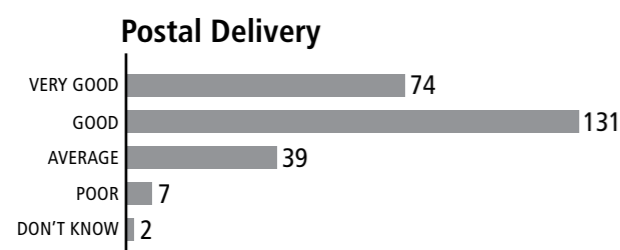
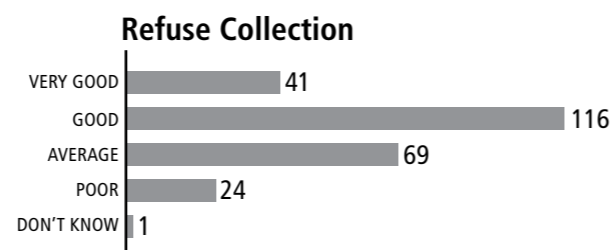
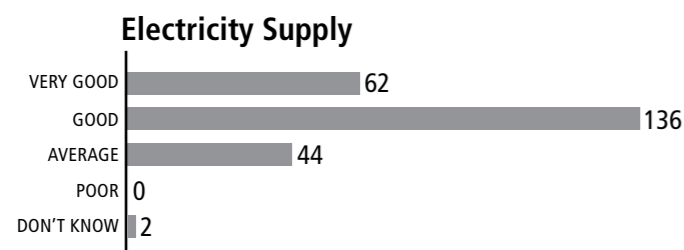
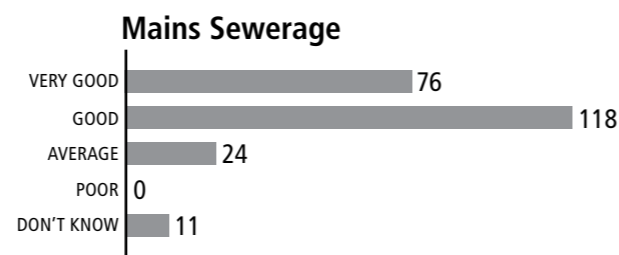
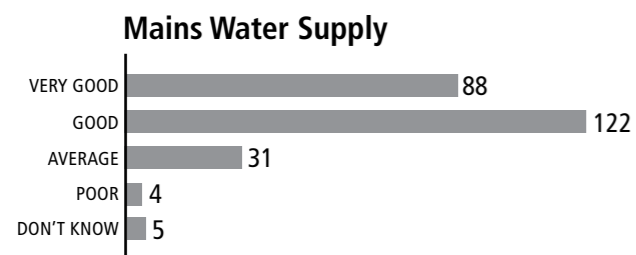
Service/usage	Recycling Bins	Post box	Telephone box	Mobile library	Mobile butcher	Litter bins
Daily	8	31	0	n/a	2	17
Weekly	85	150	0	10	79	36
Monthly	57	33	3	14	25	11
Less Often	26	18	11	9	41	69
Never	44	20	203	175	80	72

At the community launch, the significant contributions to the community by the butcher and the milkman were particularly acknowledged.

External provision of utilities and services

The results of the question on services were ranked from very good to poor and ‘don’t know’. Between 216 and 253 people responded to each question. The results are depicted in the charts opposite (showing the actual numbers in each category). Generally the mains water supply, mains sewerage, electricity supply, refuse collection, postal delivery and TV reception ranked highly. However, services to do with street lighting and the roads (street cleaning, maintenance, snow clearance and gritting) were much more poorly rated. Mobile phone reception was not considered to be particularly good whilst broadband was thought to be better. The fire, ambulance and hospital transport services were mainly considered to be good, although a large proportion were ‘don’t knows’ reflecting little or no contact with them.





Emerging priorities

- ★ Be proactive in investigating shared facilities between village and school
- ★ Examine ways of improving parking at school for staff, parents and visitors
- ★ Investigate possibility of mobile health care services
- ★ Publicise the village hall committee's improvement plan
- ★ Consider new thinking on provision of post office services in village
- ★ Inform village shop regarding suggestions for further improvements
- ★ Inform parish council and village hall committee of desire for more social events
- ★ Request weekly black bin collection
- ★ Request increased kerbside recycling
- ★ Request improved road maintenance
- ★ Request improved snow clearance
- ★ Request improved gritting service
- ★ Seek more regular street cleaning

Housing

Residents were asked whether they wanted to see new housing in Husthwaite. The response was: Yes: 101, No: 125

A total of 19 people, some in the same household, knew someone wanting to return to Husthwaite.

Housing development

Responses covering housing issues were:

Expansion would adversely affect the character of the village 128

Building should be confined to small infill plots 122

Village is already large enough 120

Increased traffic problems 68

Services not able to support expansion 59

Types of new housing

New housing must fit village character 180

Affordable housing for first time buyers only 105

More rented housing 38

In all price ranges 18

Affordable housing

Asked about the level of affordable housing required in the next 12 years, the response was:

0-5 houses 82

6-10 houses 53

11-20 houses 18

Over 20 houses 9

Don't know 51

Comments at the launch emphasised that the present character of the village should be maintained.

Emerging priorities

- ★ Clarify 'affordable housing'
- ★ Regulate any new developments
- ★ Infill housing development only
- ★ Style of housing – in keeping with rural character of village

Traffic and transport

Level of concern about traffic in Husthwaite: Yes 185, No 55

A further 92 comments were made about worrying aspects, the chief of which were:
 ★ speeding traffic [63]
 ★ congestion at school [43]

Worst danger spots

All roads in and around Husthwaite were mentioned but especially the area around school. The Nookin and Malton Street were other areas of concern.

Worst parking problems

★ around school [82] ★ village hall [21]
 ★ Nookin [20] ★ shop [11]

	Yes	No
Traffic calming measures and signs	109	118
Proper passing places on narrow roads	173	48
Conservation of grass verges	151	72
Difficulty travelling to services (facilities) outside Husthwaite	30	206
Using present bus service at least monthly	31	204

The bus service

Many people not currently using the bus service regularly voted for improvements:

Clearer/displayed timetables	85
Early morning service to York	82
Regular late afternoon return from York	82

More Frequent 31X to York	81
Use of mini or midi buses	75
Market day service to Thirsk	55
Bus stop signs	50
Community transport (car scheme)	42
Bus shelters	32
Low floor/easy access	21
More frequent Helmsley bus	13

Concerns about village pavements

★ roads without pavements [128]
 ★ overgrown hedges etc [118]
 ★ condition of kerb edges [116]
 ★ condition of surfaces [103]
 ★ poor lighting [80]
 ★ parking on pavements [72]
 ★ pavements too narrow [36]

Comments were made about more frequent gutter cleaning, parking on verges and broken walls.

Emerging priorities

★ Take measures to reduce speeding traffic (although not a clear majority to introduce specific traffic calming measures)
 ★ Solve problems caused by parking at school during drop off/pick up periods
 ★ Examine danger spots in village with a view to improving traffic flow/parking
 ★ Explore the possibility of providing passing places on single track roads
 ★ Encourage greater use of public transport

Environment

There is no doubt that the people living in Husthwaite love their village's beautiful rural setting and they wish to see it carefully managed. Questions about the local environment attracted some of the largest response rates, revealing an awareness of the issues.

Protecting and improving the local environment

★ a caring considerate approach [7]
 ★ undergrounding overhead lines [6]
 ★ maintaining and preserving village open spaces [6]
 ★ planting more trees and protecting grass verges to encourage flora and fauna [4]
 ★ attention to dog fouling [4]
 ★ period village street lighting [3]

Other suggestions included a village litter pick, control of bonfires, more recycling, a quiet period in the week, reducing noise pollution, limiting heavy vehicles, clearing cemetery grass, caring for buildings of character, sensitive management of the beck and better vermin control.

Open spaces

All the 'green' areas within the village were mentioned. The most popular were the Village Green followed by Kendrew Green. Respondents also value the local walks with their views of open space surrounding the village. 'Open spaces within the village are precious if the village is to remain rural' illustrates the prevailing view.

Building styles

Emphasis on traditional building styles and materials was favoured by 82 people, whilst 12 did not.

Features of special value

Village green	199
Rural aspect	189
Beacon Banks	175
Heritage buildings	163
Kendrew Green	148
East View Green	139
Pub	136
Conservation area	135
War memorial	134
Cemetery	120

Features which detract

Dog mess	155
Litter	134
Dirty Signs	120
Overhead wires	116
Derelict Buildings	81

Other features of special value were the work of the milkman, the presence of the church and the churchyard. Features which detracted were seen as garden fires, aircraft noise around the village, barking dogs, blocked road drains, fly-posting, clutter of signs, the deteriorating war memorial inscription, pylons and the presence of intensive livestock sheds.

Environment (continued)

Better street lighting

Most requested areas for improved lighting were:

- ★ Low Street [11] ★ High Street [8]
- ★ Village Hall [3] ★ Gibbet Hill [3]
- ★ The Nookin [3]

Litter bins

The most requested locations were:

- ★ Bottom of East View [11]
- ★ School [9] ★ Village Hall [3]

Dog waste bins

The most requested locations were:

- ★ Cemetery [5] ★ Low Street [3]
- ★ Bottom of East View [3]
- ★ At start of bridleways [3]

Road grit bins

These were requested for Highthorne Lane and The Nookin.

Recycling

The most widely mentioned improvement suggestions were:

- ★ Separate collections of plastic [39]
- ★ Better access to collection point [18]
- ★ Extension of kerbside collection [7]
- ★ Separate collection of cardboard [10]

Others were collection of clothes, electrical equipment, garden waste, telephone directories and a more reliable blue bag service.

How to improve the rural setting of Husthwaite

Attention to field boundary hedging and walls	106
Tree/woodland planting	102
Nature conservation areas	101
Wildlife conservation measures	96

Ponds/wetlands	74
Species conservation schemes	68

The volume of comments indicates that this is a subject of major concern. Other suggestions were environmental schemes on farms, organic farming and gardening, bat and owl boxes.

Village Design Statement

A Village Design Statement is a way of coordinating responses to environmental change. The statement would:

- ★ be prepared locally, in consultation with Hambleton DC
- ★ describe the distinctive character of Husthwaite
- ★ set out principles to guide conservation and change
- ★ be written to influence architects, developers and residents
- ★ be used in assessing planning applications
- ★ be recommended to Hambleton DC as a reference document

Emerging priorities

- ★ Manage/protect village open spaces
- ★ Investigate possibility of under-grounding power and telephone lines
- ★ Increase number of dog litter bins
- ★ Review provision of street lighting
- ★ Renovate war memorial
- ★ Improve access to recycling area
- ★ Investigate extension of recycling to include cardboard and plastics
- ★ Request more kerbside collections
- ★ Emphasise use of traditional styles and materials when considering future developments
- ★ Arrange regular cleaning of road signs

Business

Scope for small scale employment

There was considerable support for further small scale employment in Husthwaite [158 people].

Post office services	128
Tearoom	78
Farm Diversification	74
Art/Craft studio and shop	64
Tourist accommodation	57
Light industry	53
Anything which creates jobs	48
Motor garage	32

One other suggestion was gardening.

Assisting existing local businesses 'Use it or lose it'

Many respondents emphasized greater support should be given to the shop, the butcher and the milkman. Other local businesses were also mentioned. It was suggested that a post office could include printing and photographic facilities and a good broadband connection.

Emerging priorities

- ★ Profile our local businesses in the newsletter to encourage greater support
- ★ Investigate the provision of post office services
- ★ Encourage development of small-scale employment

Sport and recreation

Intended use of facilities if provided

Adult Education Classes	101
Tennis Courts	84
Fitness classes	77
Playing field	73
Children's Play Equipment	54
Football pitch	50
All weather surface	49
Teen shelter	18

A footpath map, a kickwall and yoga were also mentioned.

The few additional comments made expressed an urgent need to:

- ★ develop sports and play facilities
- ★ make more use of the village hall for classes etc – 'the village could be a centre of leisure and lifelong learning'
- ★ engender regular volunteer support for all village activities planned – this 'cannot be taken for granted'

Footpaths and public rights of way

A total of 63 people offered comment and a majority identified the need for regular trimming of trees and hedges and cutting back of weeds. Other suggestions included a need to maintain or replace signs, provide pavements where they are needed in the village and ask landowners to preserve public rights of way. A local walk book was suggested. Dog owners

(Sport and recreation continued)

were expected to keep their dogs under control and pick up dog mess.

Emerging priorities

- ★ Consider provision of a recreation area
- ★ Invite village hall committee to draw up programme of clubs and classes which might be run
- ★ Ensure footpaths and bridleways are carefully maintained all year
- ★ Suggest Parish Council investigate provision of pavements in certain areas of village

Views of the young people

Response rate

An ‘Issues for Young People’ question sheet (‘the green sheet’) was circulated to all households with the main questionnaire and was intended to be completed by any persons under 16. The views of 31 young people were reflected in the responses given.

The overwhelming concern of the young people who returned the Green Sheet was that there was very little to do in Husthwaite. This was reflected in responses to the questionnaire and in comments made at the May event. All were agreed that there was a real need to provide activities and facilities for young people so that they did not just ‘hang around’.

All the questions in the Green Sheet were open questions inviting young people to comment freely.

Profile of young people responding to Green Sheet

Age/Sex	Under 6	6-10	11-15
Boy	1	6	11
Girl	1	6	6

What do you like and dislike about living in Husthwaite?

The young people appreciated most the rural setting [12], the walks [7] and the quiet [7]. The shop and the school were also popular [8]. On the down side, the lack of anything to do was the most persistent complaint [9], followed by litter [6], overgrown grass/hedges [5], dog mess [4] and the state of the village hall [4].

One comment summed up the frustration of the teenagers:

‘There is nowhere for teenagers to meet. Wherever we go we are unwelcome and frequently branded anti-social or thought to be misbehaving when we are not.’

Village Hall

The village hall was mainly used for birthday parties, drama and youth club. Ten said they did not use it at all.

What sport/recreational facilities would you like in the village?

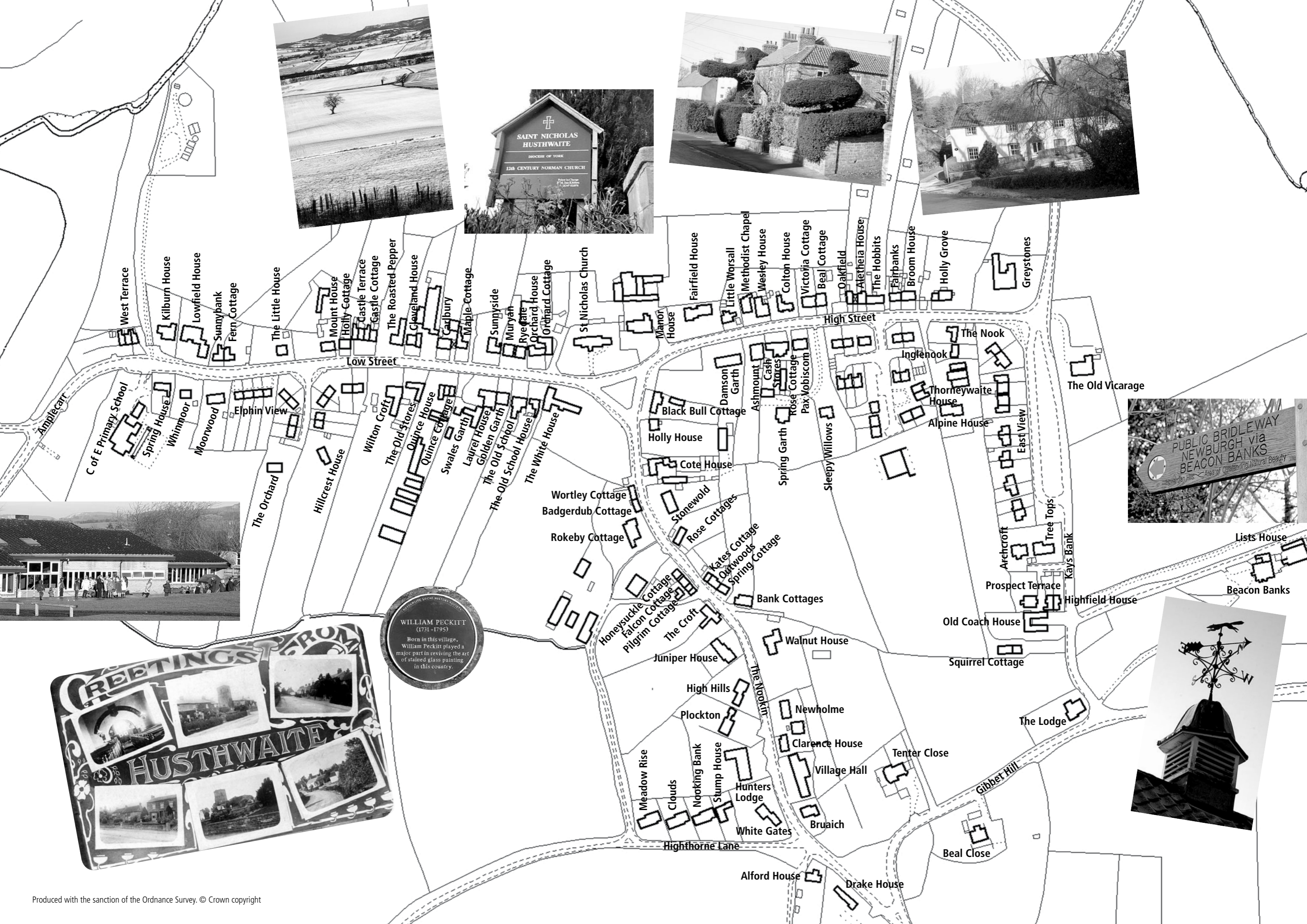
The most popular facilities would be a sports pitch [16], tennis court [14], play area/park [12] and playground (with swings etc) [11].

The need to prevent any such facilities being fouled by dogs and/or vandalised was highlighted.

Clubs etc attended outside Husthwaite

Most of the young people attended sports and other activities outside the village, in particular swimming, tennis, football, cricket and brownies/rainbows.

16 had been involved in a drama group or village pantomime.



WILLIAM PECKITT
 (1731 - 1795)
 Born in this village,
 William Peckitt played a
 major part in reviving the art
 of stained glass painting
 in this country.



Action Plan

Priority issues

The following are the Key Issues arising from the results of the Parish Plan Questionnaire (in alphabetical order):

- Highway/pavement maintenance (including winter treatment)
- Passing places on narrow roads
- Public transport improvements
- Recreation Field development
- School Parking problems
- Village Design Statement
- Village Hall renovations and programme of events
- Conserve rural setting

Monitoring and evaluation of progress

Having formally adopted the Parish Plan, the implementation of the Action Plan becomes the responsibility of the Parish Council.

In order to ensure effective and systematic attention to the priorities identified and actions recommended, appropriate arrangements for gauging progress and reporting on developments to the community will be necessary.

The following procedures are recommended:

- Production, by the Parish Council, of Delivery Plan detailing how priorities are to be addressed and progress monitored
- Report on progress/difficulties at each meeting of the Parish Council (item on each agenda)
- Use of Newsletter and Website to keep everyone informed
- Submission of full, written report by the Parish Council for discussion following an Annual Parish Meeting
- Procurement of regular reports from other parish organisations with a stake in delivering and/or reviewing the Plan

Although the Parish Plan indicates priorities and possible timescales, the monitoring and review process may suggest adjustments to the delivery programme.

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THE ACTION PLAN

AONB	Howardian Hills Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty
CSP	Community Safety Partnership
EVF	Easingwold Villages Forum
HDC	Hambleton District Council
LDF	Local Development Framework (successor to Local Plan)
LSP	Local Strategic Partnership
MCC	Methodist Church Council
NYCC	North Yorkshire County Council
NYPFA	North Yorkshire Playing Fields Association
PC	Husthwaite Parish Council
PCC	Parochial Church Council
PHT	Primary Healthcare Trust
RHE	Rural Housing Enabler
RSL	Registered Social Landlord
RTP	Hambleton/Richmondshire Rural Transport Partnership
TCWG	Thirsk Community Woodlands Group
VDS	Village Design Statement
VHC	Village Hall Committee
YRCC	Yorkshire Rural Community Council
YWT	Yorkshire Wildlife Trust

ACTION PLAN NOTES

1. The Plan is *not* set out in priority order.
2. Issues are cross-referenced where appropriate.
3. Action Year 1: 2007/8; Action Year 2: 2008/9; Action Year 3: 2009/10
4. Proposed Lead Agencies are highlighted in bold print in column 3

Community life

Priority Issues	Evidence	Partner and Funding Agencies	Action Recommended
			Year 1: 2007/8 Year 2: 2008/9 Year 3: 2009/10
1 School-Community Links [see also 16, 22, 28, 30, 31, 32]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● High Regard for School in the Parish ● Concern about School Run/Parking ● Potential for Dual Use of School Playing Field and future Village Playing Field ● Young Persons involvement in preparation of Parish Plan ● School Functions welcome village residents 	PC School NYCC	Year 1 onwards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Investigate more shared use of school premises for Adult Education classes and social events ● Seek school contribution to Recreation Field/Play Area developments ● Invite school to design Village Christmas Card and assist with other village projects
2 Social Events [see also 11]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 75 respondents would attend more events if provided ● 59 respondents would like to see more events for senior citizens 	VHC PC/PCC/ MCC/EVF Age Concern Pub RTP	Year 1 onwards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consider expanding 'Soup'n'Pud' into a more frequent Luncheon club ● Consider Community Transport and/or Volunteer Car Scheme ● Liaise with pub regarding closer integration between pub and community
3 Husthwaite Information Pack for residents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 202 respondents value Husthwaite Quality of Life ● 140 respondents value existing Community Spirit ● Need to support local businesses 	PCC MCC	Year 1 onwards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Produce comprehensive information on all village activities and organisations with contact details ● Incorporate Business Directory ● Prepare loose-leaf pack of information ● Include same information on website ● Ensure new residents receive pack
4 Website [see also 10, 11, 26, 27]	Good quality website but low level of usage by residents suggests scope for expanding content	PC Webmaster Village organisations	Year 1 onwards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consider extended use of web site for village business directory, offer secure pages to each organisation, provide links to higher authorities, travel information etc
5 Consultation on planning applications [see also 27]	Requests for increased liaison between PC and community where possible	PC	Year 1 onwards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PC to consider more formal liaison with affected persons before responding to HDC/NYCC ● Better use of notice board to convey information and invite comment

Priority Issues	Evidence	Partner and Funding Agencies	Action Recommended
6 Law and Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 87 respondents want a more regular police presence ● 78 respondents thought that the Parish receives a 'poor' service from the police although the majority felt that crime/fear of crime is not an important issue overall in Husthwaite ● Good level of satisfaction with Neighbourhood Watch Scheme; some suggestions for improvements ● 26 respondents wished to see less anti-social behaviour 	PC NY Police Neighbourhood Watch LSP	Year 1 onwards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Inform NY Police and Neighbourhood Watch of questionnaire results ● Renew pressure for more visible police presence in village ● Invite Police to attend PC meetings regularly ● Support initiatives for improved sport and youth recreational facilities. ● Promote Neighbourhood Watch regularly via newsletter and website ● Keep position under review
7 Emergency Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Figures show a high level of satisfaction with Ambulance, Fire and Hospital Transport Services ● 56 respondents wish to see a local emergency help service 	PC Fire Service NHS Trusts LSP Volunteers	Year 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Inform Ambulance, Fire and Hospital Transport providers of outcome of survey and ask to consult about any proposed changes to levels of service ● Discuss formation of local area (joint villages) 'First Responders' Unit with EVF, LSP and Ambulance Service Year 2 onwards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Village to participate in 'First Responders' voluntary service
8 Affordable Housing [see also 23]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● House price inflation causes problems for first-time buyers ● 19 respondents knew of someone wishing to return to live in Husthwaite ● 105 respondents agreed that affordable housing should be built for first-time buyers only ● 84 respondents consider that 0-5 affordable houses should be built over the next 12 years with a further 53 favouring 5-10 houses and 27 favouring over 10 houses in the same period. 	PC RSL HDC RHE	Year 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Review results of 2004 HDC survey against questionnaire results ● Discuss principle of developing a small scheme only ● Inform and consult village ● PC to discuss possible scheme with RHE and give support in principle, subject to siting etc. Year 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● RSL to be identified ● RSL to seek planning permission in consultation with RHE ● Arrange funding with RSL Year 3 onwards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● RSL to construct ● PC to seek nomination rights

9 Retail Services [see also 26, 27]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 146 respondents use village shop at least weekly ● many suggestions made for development of service offered by village shop ● 106 respondents use the mobile butcher monthly/more often ● 128 respondents requested reinstatement of post office services 	Local businesses PC YRCC	Year 1 onwards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consult village shop on outcome of questionnaire ● Explore initiatives which promote village shop and other local businesses ● Consider possibility of outreach part-time Post Office in secure premises
10 Communication [see also 4, 26]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Desire for PC to consult/communicate better ● Limited use of village website by residents ● Majority consider mobile phone reception to be average or poor ● Majority consider broadband service to be good or very good ● Modest use of mobile library ● 181 respondents use post boxes weekly or more often 	PC EVF NYCC Service Providers	Year 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PC to implement Action Plan recommendations ● Feedback questionnaire results to service providers with high ratings ● Initiate open parish meetings ● Develop website potential Year 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Seek improvements to mobile phone reception ● PC to continue to monitor Post Box collection times with P.O. and clarify policy on changes ● Promote mobile library service in newsletter and on notice boards Year 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consider community access to broadband enabled internet service
11 Community Buildings / Activities [see also 2, 4, 32]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 180 respondents wish to see external appearance of village hall improved ● 165 respondents wish to see improved parking provision at village hall ● Widespread recognition of recent internal improvements to village hall ● 135 respondents favour eventual village hall rebuild on same site ● 111 respondents value church and chapel for their community links ● Young People demand for somewhere to go/something to do ● 101 respondents would use adult education classes if provided ● 77 respondents would attend fitness classes if provided 	VHC/PC YRCC HDC PCC MCC NYCC Lifelong Learning Volunteers	Year 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Publicise and implement VHC plan of suggested improvements ● PCC/MCC be invited to consider scope for increased use of church buildings for community purposes ● VHC to consider programme of adult education provision and discuss with NYCC and providers ● Use newsletter and website to inform community and determine/stimulate demand Year 2 onwards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PC to consider 'Teen-Zone' development ● If positive demand for adult education classes, VHC to identify costs, premises and course leaders ● Run trial classes ● Publish annual programmes

Priority Issues	Evidence	Partner and Funding Agencies	Action Recommended
12 Waste Recycling and Collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 150 respondents use the village recycling bins at least monthly ● 157 respondents regard HDC's refuse collection service as above average ● Demand for expanded recycling opportunities including increased kerbside collection, better access to existing facility and additional wheelie bin collections 	HDC PC EVF	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PC to work through EVF to put case to HDC for full kerbside recycling collection service or extra recycling bins to include plastics and cardboard ● Publicise outcome in newsletter/website <p>Year 2 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Review siting of recycling facilities and consider alternative locations ● Improve access to existing site if it is to become permanent.
13 Bus Services (particularly Route 31X) [See also 32]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 81 respondents want more frequent service to York ● 82 respondents want early bus to York ● 82 respondents want late afternoon return from York ● 55 respondents want a market day service to Thirsk 	NYCC PC RTP Operator/ Traffic And Transport Working Group (new)	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Liaise with other nearby villages on 31X route ● Propose joint villages traffic and transport working group ● Identify more precise requirements ● Present case to NYCC/Operator <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Invite NYCC/Operator to open meeting to discuss options ● Explore consequent route/timetable options ● Consider case for community transport scheme <p>Year 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Enhance 2009/10 Timetable
14 Bus Timetable and Bus Stop locations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 85 respondents want displayed timetables ● 50 respondents want specific bus stops 	NYCC PC RTP	<p>Year 1 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PC to continue to pursue provision of bus stop(s) and timetable display

15 Passing Places on Single Track Roads Grass verges conservation/reinstatement [See also 16, 24, 25]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 173 respondents support installation of passing places ● 151 respondents wanted conservation of verges associated with passing place construction ● Visual evidence of mud, erosion, potholes, flooding and loss of habitat caused by over-running 	NYCC CSP PC AONB Conservation Group (new)	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PC to inform NYCC of questionnaire results ● Liaise with adjacent parishes and seek to work jointly ● Invite overall proposals for Carlton Road and Malton Street ● Agree scheme(s) <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Construct two passing places ● 400m of verge conserved associated with passing place construction ● Invite proposals for other schemes in parish ● Agree scheme(s) <p>Year 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Construct two further passing places ● Further 400m of verge conserved associated with passing place construction ● Continue rolling programme of works
16 Danger Spots on Local Roads [see also 1, 15,21,22]	Individual sites/roads identified by Questionnaire respondents as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● bends on road to A19, ● Carlton Road, ● Easingwold Road, ● Highthorne Lane, ● Low St (particularly near School), ● Malton St ● The Nookin 	NYCC CSP PC EVF	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PC to inform NYCC/CSP of questionnaire results ● Invite proposals for Low St/route to A19 ● Consult village <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Commence improvements on Low St/route to A19 ● PC to identify remaining priorities ● Invite further proposals and consult village <p>Year 3 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Improvement works on Low St/route to A19 ● Lobby NYCC/CSP for further schemes
17 Street Lighting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 148 respondents consider existing provision to be average or poor ● 80 respondents concerned about poor lighting of pavements ● New or additional lighting requested for specific sites 	NYCC PC CSP	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PC to agree priority locations and make recommendations to CSP ● Publicise arrangements for reporting non-functioning lights <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lobby CSP/NYCC to implement schemes of improvement <p>Year 3 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Install improvements and review

Priority Issues	Evidence	Partner and Funding Agencies	Action Recommended
18 Snow Clearance/ Road Gritting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 134 respondents consider snow clearance to be 'poor' ● 110 respondents consider gritting to be 'poor' ● New Grit boxes requested for specific sites 	NYCC PC CSP	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lobby NYCC with requests for improvement ● Work jointly with Coxwold and Raskelf PCs. <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Make proposals to and seek support from NYCC Area Committee. <p>Year 3 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Implement and publicise service improvements
19 Road/ Pavement construction and maintenance [see also 22]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 164 consider road maintenance to be 'poor' ● 132 respondents want better roads and pavements ● 128 respondents concerned about lengths of road with no pavement ● 116 respondents concerned about condition of kerbs 	NYCC PC CSP	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Publicise arrangements for reporting potholes etc ● Lobby NYCC to deal more promptly with potholes and edge deterioration, and to give attention to resurfacing pavements <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Continue to lobby and involve CSP <p>Year 3 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Co-ordinate new construction with road/pavement maintenance ● Review progress on implementing programme of works
20 Street Cleansing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 86 respondents consider existing service to be 'poor' 	HDC (Street Scene)	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Invite HDC Street Scene Coordinator to village meeting to discuss options <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Lobby HDC to obtain improved level of service ● Publicise HDC policy for village <p>Year 3 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Monitor changes to effectiveness and quality of service
21 Control Traffic Speed in Village [see also 16,22]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 123 respondents wished to improve village by slowing down traffic ● 109 respondents favour some sort of traffic calming but there is strong opinion against speed bumps 	NYCC PC CSP	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Invite NYCC to discuss traffic calming options not including speed bumps <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consult village on draft scheme <p>Year 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Carry out works and monitor effectiveness

22 Parking Problem near School [See also 1, 16,19, 21, 30, 31]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 82 respondents concerned about school-related parking problems ● 72 respondents concerned about parking on pavements ● extensive identification of school area as having the worst parking problems in Husthwaite 	School PC CSP NYCC	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Report questionnaire results to CSP/NYCC ● PC to host meeting of interested parties ● Consider in conjunction with playing field project ● Discuss 'Safe Routes to School' options with NYCC <p>Year 2 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consult on options, including related traffic calming ● Construction works and monitoring of effectiveness
Priority Issues	Evidence	Partner and Funding Agencies	Action Recommended
23 Features of Special Value [see also 8, 25, 27]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 189 regard the rural aspect of the village as being of 'special value' ● 180 respondents say that new houses must fit in with character of village ● 163 respondents stress value of heritage buildings ● 135 respondents stress value of Conservation Area ● 128 respondents concerned that expansion of village could affect character ● 125 respondents do not want new house building ● 120 respondents consider the village to be large enough 	PC HDC VDS Steering Group (new)	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Form Steering Group to prepare Village Design Statement (VDS) ● VDS Steering Group to seek support/assistance from HDC <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Prepare VDS in draft and consult residents <p>Year 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Finalise/publish VDS ● Invite HDC to adopt as Supplementary Planning Document as part of Local Development Framework ● PC to use VDS in commenting on planning, listed building and other applications ● Consider need for Conservation Area Enhancement Scheme
24 Management and Conservation of the Environment [see also 15, 25, 29]	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 200 respondents regard Husthwaite as an attractive village ● 199 respondents regard Village Green as being of 'special value' ● 175 respondents regard Beacon Banks as being of 'special value' ● 155 respondents think that dog mess detracts from village ● 155 respondents value Church/Chapel as historic buildings ● 148 respondents regard Kendrew Green as being of 'special value' ● 139 respondents regard East View Green as being of 'special value' 	PC HDC Street Scene AONB EVF Conservation group (new)	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Request additional litter bins, dog waste bins and dog waste signs from HDC ● PC to identify preferred locations ● Consider extending remit of VDS Steering Group into wider Volunteer Conservation Group for Parish ● Consider possibilities for enhanced conservation of Open Spaces within Village

Environment

Priority Issues	Evidence	Partner and Funding Agencies	Action Recommended
<p>24 (continued) Management and Conservation of the Environment</p> <p>[see also 15, 25, 29]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 134 respondents think that litter detracts from the village ● 134 respondents regard War Memorial as being of 'special value' ● 120 respondents concerned about dirty signs ● 118 respondents concerned about overgrown hedges ● 80 respondents concerned about aircraft noise ● 76 respondents concerned about fly-posting ● 62 respondents concerned about clutter of signs ● Young people do not like litter, overgrown grass/hedges and dog mess 	<p>PC HDC Street Scene AONB EVF Conservation group (new)</p>	<p>Year 1 (continued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Liaise with HDC, EVF and nearby Parish Councils about feasibility of joint part-time Village Caretaker Scheme ● Organise regular community litter-picks <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Set up Volunteer Conservation Group for Parish and identify tasks ● Agree programme/schemes with AONB ● Install litter and dog waste bins and signs ● Draw up scheme to rationalise clutter of signs <p>Year 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consider need for extra village notice board (to reduce fly-posting) ● Review Conservation Area boundary and make proposals to HDC ● Conservation Group to publicise opportunities for voluntary work in the environment
<p>25 Enhancement of the Environment</p> <p>[see also 15, 23, 24, 29]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 225 respondents emphasise the value of the surrounding countryside ● 135 respondents stress the value of the Conservation Area ● Young people appreciate the rural setting and peace and quiet ● 116 respondents think that overhead wires detract from the village ● 106 respondents wish to see attention given to field boundaries and walls ● 102 respondents favour more tree/ woodland planting ● 101 respondents wish to see more nature conservation areas ● 96 respondents wish to see specific wildlife conservation measures ● 81 respondents think that derelict buildings detract from the village ● 74 respondents wish to see ponds/ wetlands developed ● 68 respondents wish to see species conservation schemes 	<p>PC YWT HDC CE Electric AONB TCWG Conservation group (new)</p>	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Invite CE Electric to visit village and seek to negotiate scheme for undergrounding cables ● Help with visual improvement of derelict/unsightly buildings <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Conservation Group to identify sites for tree/woodland planting ● Conservation Group to consider scope for wildlife conservation work with HDC/AONB <p>Year 3 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● TCWG to undertake tree planting scheme(s) ● Use VDS to promote Conservation Area Enhancement Scheme via HDC

Business

Priority Issues	Evidence	Partner and Funding Agencies	Action Recommended
<p>26 Businesses in the Community</p> <p>[see also 4, 9, 10]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 146 respondents use the village shop weekly or more often (excluding paper delivery) ● 136 people regard the Pub as having 'special value' ● 106 respondents use the services provided by the butcher monthly or more often ● General appreciation recorded for contribution made to community by village shop, the butcher, the milkman and other local businesses ● Many respondents emphasised the need to support local businesses and many suggestions made as to how such services might be promoted and extended 	<p>PC HDC Local Businesses</p>	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PC to publish directory of local businesses (sponsored) ● Discuss promotion of local produce, loyalty scheme, advertisements and other schemes with village shop and other local businesses ● Articles in Newsletter and on website profiling local businesses <p>Year 2 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Include directory of local businesses on website and in trade section of welcome pack ● Continue to develop incentive schemes to assist local businesses
<p>27 New small-scale businesses</p> <p>[see also 4, 5, 9, 23]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 158 respondents consider that there is scope for new businesses in Hushwaite ● 78 respondents favoured development of a tearoom ● 74 respondents favoured farm diversification ● 64 respondents favoured art/craft studio and shop development ● 57 respondents favoured development of tourist accommodation ● 53 favoured development of light industry ● 48 respondents favoured anything which created jobs 	<p>PC HDC Local Farmers</p>	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Articles in Newsletter and on website <p>Year 2 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Support potential applicants for planning permission for appropriate economic development ● Liaise with HDC (Economic Development) ● Inform AONB of village opinion

Sport and Recreation

Priority Issues	Evidence	Partner and Funding Agencies	Action Recommended
<p>28 Recreation Field Project (Tennis Courts, Football Pitch and All-Weather Surface)</p> <p>[see also 1, 30, 32]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 84 respondents would use tennis courts if provided ● 50 respondents would use football pitch if provided ● 49 respondents would use all-weather surface if provided ● Significant demand expressed in Young People's Questionnaire 	<p>PC NYPFA HDC</p> <p>Recreation Field Steering Group (reactivated) Volunteers</p>	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Recreation Field Steering Group to lead ● Feed into HDC Play Strategy ● Discuss dual use with NYCC ● Obtain provisional cost estimates ● Consult community on design options ● Fundraising/Grant applications <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Continue fundraising ● Agree design ● Award contract(s) ● Volunteer work on site <p>Year 3 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Continue fundraising ● Phased construction according to programme/funding capabilities ● Volunteer work on site
<p>29 Public Rights of Way</p> <p>[see also 24, 25]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Majority identify need for regular trimming of trees and hedges and clearance of weeds 	<p>PC NYCC Landowners AONB Conservation Group (new)</p>	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PC to continue encouraging NYCC to implement regular programme to address overgrown/poorly maintained footpaths <p>Year 2 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PC to encourage appropriate action by landowners ● Conservation Group (if set up) to undertake basic weed/hedge trimming on voluntary basis ● NYCC to act on any deliberate stopping up/blockages ● Work with AONB on continued programme of improvements

Improve opportunities for young people

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<p>30 Recreation Field/Sports Pitch</p> <p>[see also 1, 22, 28, 31]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 132 respondents want more facilities for young ● Top request in Young People's Questionnaire ● 73 respondents specifically wish to have a playing field ● HDC has leased land for village recreational use 	<p>PC NYPFA HDC</p> <p>Recreation Field Steering Group (re-activated) Volunteers School Governors</p>	<p>Year 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Re-activate Volunteer Community Steering Group ● Feed into HDC Play Strategy ● Discuss dual use with NYCC/School ● Obtain cost estimates ● Consult village on design options ● Fundraising/Grant applications <p>Year 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Host village event on ear-marked land ● Continue fundraising ● Agree design ● Award contract(s) ● Volunteer work on site <p>Year 3 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Continue fundraising ● Phased construction according to programme/funding capabilities ● Volunteer work on site
<p>31 Recreation Field Project (Young Children's Play Equipment)</p> <p>[see also 1, 22, 30]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 132 respondents want more facilities for the young ● Young People's requests ● 54 respondents specifically wish to have children's play equipment in village 	<p>PC NYPFA HDC</p> <p>Recreation Field Steering Group (re-activated)</p>	<p>Year 1 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● As for Recreation Field Project ● Obtain design approval from regulatory bodies ● If no progress on Recreation Field project, consider alternative more central location for playground.
<p>32 Youth Facilities</p> <p>[see 1, 11, 13, 28]</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 132 respondents want more facilities for the young ● Responses to Young Persons Questionnaire ● Extent of travel out of village to facilities ● 28 respondents requested summer holiday play scheme 	<p>PC NYCC Youth Service Volunteers</p>	<p>Year 1 onwards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PC to appoint 'Youth Champion' ● PC to consider support for a 'Youth Parish Council' or 'Forum' ● PC to explore possibilities for reviving youth group with accredited leader ● Liaise with other villages regarding summer holiday play scheme and identify premises/volunteers for August 2008 trial ● Consider providing community transport facility to enable young persons to attend schemes/facilities outside the village

Other issues of lesser priority which could be brought forward through the monitoring process if circumstances change. All these issues were raised by responses to the questionnaire.

Other matters

Issue	Evidence	Partner and Funding Agencies	Action Recommended
Health Care	Some demand for particular mobile services (eg chiropody) if provided in village	PHT PC	Investigate possibility of mobile healthcare facilities or occasional use of community building as a consulting room/surgery
Smaller Buses	75 respondents favoured use of smaller buses	NYCC Operators	Review benefits and possibilities. Lobby operators if necessary
Community Association, Group or Charitable Trust	Some grants are only payable to voluntary and/or charitable organisations and not to public bodies	PC YRCC HDC	Obtain specialist advice before taking any action

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