Caton-with-Littledale Neighbourhood Plan

Consultation session, Saturday 12 November 2016 Victoria Institute Autumn Fair

Display stand and members of the steering group - to discuss issues with local residents.

10am – 1pm

Stand – local photos and maps plus keywords: Housing; Facilities for Children and Young People; Roads, parking and public transport; Wildlife, countryside and landscapes; Leisure facilities; Spaces for jobs and businesses; Sports and games; Green spaces; Shops, pubs, Victoria Institute, church hall Post Office.

Used post-it notes to capture issues mentioned.

 Forest of Bowland AONB publicity leaflets to give away, and copies of NP paperwork in case anyone asked to know more. Also Lancaster Guardian of 10th November which featured neighbourhood plans. Contact and further information slips.

SG members present: Alison Harry, Lucy Barron, Dave Walmsley, Jenny Walmsley

Mentioned/advertised in The Link, Lancaster Guardian , village Facebook and website

Spoke to 56 people including 3 children/young people

Comments recorded:

Don't let village sprawl into surrounding countryside (x3)
Keep the village rural, protect the countryside (x8)
Very limited opportunities for development around village without damaging countryside and rural feel of village
Make sure flooding is considered (x5)
Ensure wildlife is protected (x3)
Crook o'Lune [valued] (x3)
Encourage litter-picking – always carry a plastic bag for this
Protect footpaths into local countryside, and between Caton and Brookhouse
Create a public footpath from Gresgarth to Caton Community School (x8)
Keep the path down the to the river and the Crook o'Lune
Open up cycle path towards Hornby and beyond up to Kirkby Lonsdale (x11)
Small-scale business premises
B4RN very important for small businesses and home-workers
Methodist Church [valued]
A cafe or tea-room, especially open after 4pm (x10)
Victoria Institute is a great way to meet new people (x3)
Support the Victoria Institute
Keep all the shops, Health Centre, Shops and Post Office (x6)
Good to have a butcher's again
Keep the pharmacy (x6)
Keep the Post Office (x6) and also move it back to Caton (x1)

Keep the character of the village, its buildings and its spirit (22)

Bargh's development is enough for the village

Houses between Caton and Brookhouse? (3 for, 6 against)

Don't build on the field behind Hawthorn Avenue (x2)

Housing could go on the field at the corner of Quernmore Rd and Lancaster Road

Some houses (mixed) on west of Quernmeore Road, but quality build, stone-faced, in character

Avoid houses to the West of the village and along Quernmore Road (ribbon development) (x4)

Support housing on Caton Community School field

Planning Dept to plan properly for gardens and trees in new developments(x2)

Ensure any new developments have facilities, services, paths, greenspaces

Small houses in the village suitable for older people (x4)

Sheltered housing without stairs needed (x3)

Affordable bungalows (x2)

Bring an Abbeyfield residence for the elderly

Small numbers of houses spread through the village, not big blocks (x5)

Provide affordable houses not just large expensive houses (x3)

Use brownfield sites and in the city for housing

Improve and use farm buildings for housing

Any building must be adequately supported by existing roads and services (x5)

No more Moor Platt (x6)

Better quality housing, better design, with gardens and green space (x3)

Are the housing numbers needed right? [In Lancaster City Council plan] Seems too many. Challenge them down, especially after Brexit (x4)

Improve bus service frequency, and reinstate Sunday services (x19)

More car parking by the shops and and Health Centre (x2)

Really well-designed skate park – get evidence from other places where has worked well

More for children – like Halton (x2)

More facilities in the evening especially, for teenagers

Play areas avery important for children

Skate ramp (x3)

Improve the Halton play/skate park – very popular (x3)

Don't build on green spaces (x3)

Keep school playing fields and parks for children to play and run about (x3)

Keep Station Field (x19)

Provide allotments (x8)