# DURRINGTON

# PARISH PLAN



# A SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY THAT PROVIDES FOR THE CURRENT AND FUTURE NEEDS OF THE POPULATION

# 2006 - 2016



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# **Welcome to your Parish Plan**

On behalf of the Steering Group, I have pleasure in presenting you with the first Parish Plan for Durrington and Larkhill. The plan was endorsed by Durrington Parish Council at their February 2006 meeting and now forms an integral part of the council's policy.

**Parish Planning** is about finding out the community's needs and aspirations and preparing plans and strategies based on those needs in the form of an action plan. The aim is to improve the quality of life for all who live and work in the area.

The Plan has been written by a Steering Group of local people using the information provided by the community through the extensive public consultation that took place throughout 2005.

The information has been gathered into a 'vision' and a plan of action covering the next ten years – through to 2016.

The plan informs local authorities and public bodies about what the people of Durrington and Larkhill Camp consider important to help shape the future service delivery plans.

The plan has a ten year vision for the future but will be reviewed regularly, it is a living document. It contains detailed strategy and action plans, some of which can be carried out quickly and others that will take much longer to achieve. It is a certainty that new projects will come to the fore during the life of the plan.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the organisations, agencies, groups, companies and individuals who have worked together to contribute to this Parish Action Plan.

John Rodell

**Councillor John Rodell** Chair of the Parish Plan Steering Group



A Sustainable Community that provides for the current and Future needs of the population.



## **Background to the Parish Plan**

Information was received from the Government in 2003 on developing Parish Plans, Village Design Statements and the benefits of achieving Quality Parish Status. The Council recognised the benefits of developing a Parish Plan:

- Develop a Vision for the future of Durrington.
- Reflect the views of all the Community.
- Identify Local problems and opportunities.
- Spell out how the residents want the community to develop.
- Prepare a plan of action to achieve the Vision.

The key point identified was that the plan be developed by the Community and not by the Parish Council and that work would only start if this was supported by the Community.

A public meeting held in January 2004 was attended by more than 100 local residents, with representatives of both County and District Councils also present. After presentations by the Parish Council the public voted unanimously to proceed with the development of a Parish Plan. The Parish Council adopted the development of a Parish Plan as policy at their January 2004 meeting and decided that a Steering Group would be formed from the Community with the Chair to give progress reports at the monthly Parish Council meeting. Further details of how the Steering Group was formed are contained in Section 5 'The Process'.

Durrington Parish Council wished to ensure that the Parish Plan became an integral part of the local planning process and sought guidance from Salisbury District Council Community Initiatives. Although able to offer some guidance only limited funding support ( $\pounds$ 500) was available. The Countryside Agency was able to offer grant funding of up to  $\pounds$ 5,000 as part of the Government Vital Villages programme – Durrington elected to seek grant funding through this means rather than the District Council.

Despite choosing not to seek grant assistance through the District Council the Steering Group recognised the importance of developing a Parish Plan that could be adopted by the Parish Council, endorsed and validated by the District Council and that would form the bedrock to the Local Development Framework (LDF). The LDF concept was emerging at the time the Parish Plan was being developed; this has caused significant problems as changing policy required late changes to the format and content of the Parish Plan.

It is recognised that being part of the LDF will not automatically make funding available but it is strongly believed that the Parish Plan will influence the decisions made at District, County and Regional level.

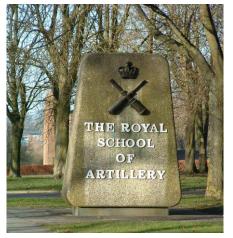


# **Introduction**

Durrington Parish is located in South Wiltshire on the eastern edge of Salisbury Plain. The Parish is broadly divided into two parts by the A345, Durrington to the East of the road and Larkhill Camp to the West; Durrington Parish Council covers both Durrington and Larkhill Camp. The City of Salisbury (Pop 44,175 2001 census) and the market Town of Amesbury (Pop 8,907 2001 census) are 9 miles and 1.5 miles respectively to the South.



Durrington is a large rural village bounded to the South, North and East by the River Avon, which is a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI), and to the west by the A345 road and Salisbury Plain. Larkhill which is located on the edge of



In. Larkhill which is located on the edge of Salisbury Plain is predominantly a military garrison that is the home to the Royal School of Artillery although there are a number of private properties to the southern boundary on Fargo Road.

Durrington falls within the Salisbury parliamentary constituency although under Boundary Commission changes they will become part of the Devizes constituency at the next General Election. The Village falls within the responsibility of Salisbury District Council to which it elects three ward members and

Wiltshire County Council to which it elects a single ward member shared with Bulford Village. Traditionally the area has returned a Conservative member of parliament and a mixture of Conservative and Liberal Democrat members at District and County elections. There is a strong elected non political Parish Council of fifteen members. This plan is written in the context of the Salisbury District Council (SDC) Local Plan as part of the Local Development Framework (LDF).

Durrington and Larkhill Camp have a combined population of 7200 (source 2001 census). The residents of Larkhill Camp are predominantly military personnel who tend to be resident for two to five years before being posted elsewhere; however, many settle in the area at the end of their military service giving Durrington a significant ex military population.



The Parish is located on the edge of the Stonehenge World Heritage Site (WHS) which contains many areas of archaeological significance other than the world famous Stonehenge monument. The ancient monuments of Woodhenge and Durrington Walls, which form part of the WHS, fall within the Village. The proximity of the WHS impacts on the Village and is a significant planning consideration for new developments.



#### A Brief History of Durrington (Source Wiltshire County Council web site)

That there was a small settlement here we know from the Doomsday Book (1086), which says that in the reign of Edward the Confessor the estate paid tax on  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hides of land. There were two estates in 1086, having land for one plough team and with five acres of meadow. The chalk lands were not ploughed at this time but there was a larger amount of arable land (the gravels and alluvium) than in most settlements in the Avon Valley. The population at this time was probably only about 20 to 25 people from five families.

The two estates may represent the later two manors. West End manor was part of the King's estate of Amesbury until 1120 but East End manor had different origins. At this time each manor had one open field and the extensive downland pastures were used by both. By the 14th century the sheep and corn economy was well developed and this pattern of farming continued well into the 19th century. The open field system evolved into a two, and then a three, field system. Population increased substantially and in 1377 there were 139 poll tax payers making Durrington one of the most populous villages in the hundred of Amesbury. In 1399 the West End manor was given as an endowment of the newly created Winchester College, and an excellent collection of documents on its management and usage has been preserved by the College. They have also provided the name for College Street.

The settlement remained a prosperous and fairly popular farming community although, apart from the church, there is little visual evidence before the 17th century. In 1610 East End Manor was extended with an east-west range, changing it into an L – shaped building. There are 17th century houses of timber and cob, with thatched roofs, surviving in College Road, High Street and Church Street. Presumably there were others in Bulford Road that were demolished when more recent houses were built. In 1676 the population was said to be 334 people.



Despite evidence of a substantial amount of building work, mainly farmhouses, in the18th century the village did not really increase in size and remained concentrated around its two main streets. In the present High Street Parsonage Farm was erected c1700 (it was rebuilt in the 19th century), Hollybush in the early 18th century, Red House in the mid 18th century, Pinckney's c.1769, West End Manor Farm and Church Farm in the late 18th century. In 1784 Brown's Farmhouse was built in College Road. All these farmhouses were sited in the village itself as the land outside remained unenclosed. A new route to Milston had been established in the late 18th century or early 19th century when a bridge over the Avon to the Ham had been built. This remains as a footpath today. Further south a farmhouse by Bulford Bridge, outside the village, was opened as the Nag's Head in 1731. A malting industry was established and this continued into the early 19th century.



By 1773 settlement had expanded eastwards along Church Street and on College Road, the dog leg road linking Church Street with Bulford Road but there was no other settlement in the parish. Around 1800 Durrington Manor was built, possibly on the site of an older house; this became a hotel after the Second World War and was later converted to flats. Another farmhouse, Collin's was built in the early 19th century and in 1823 the open fields and common pastureland were enclosed. The land continued to be worked from 11 farmhouses in the village however and the amount of arable land increased. By the late 19th century there was slightly more arable than pasture with barley being the chief crop. There were around 3,000 sheep in the parish on the downland. By the 1880s barns had been erected on these downs.

In the 19th century the junction of High Street, Church Street and, to the west, Hackthorne Road became the centre of the village and the base of a medieval cross was moved into the centre of this junction, to become a traffic hazard in the 20th century. There would seem to have been a certain amount of unemployment in agriculture as in 1838 the parish vestry collected a rate to raise money to enable paupers to emigrate. Around the middle of the 19th century Durrington House was built (it was demolished soon after 1961) while by 1851 the Plough Inn had opened; it had possibly had a beer only licence before this. There seems to have been little building in the village in the second half of the 19th century and the village only slightly increased in size.



With an eye to the possibilities of early tourism the Stonehenge Inn was opened at the junction of the Upavon to Amesbury and Bulford to Shrewton roads. William Toomes was a beer retailer here originally but by 1889 Lewis Toomes had built the Stonehenge Inn and advertised it as a posting house with its own brewery and livery and bait stables. Its success was possibly one of the reasons for the closure of the Nag's Head between 1889 and 1895 although the licensee had been a widow whose son took over the Plough. An indication of changing times to come saw the closure of Durrington Mill in the 1880's and the establishment of racehorse training at Durrington House, that continued into the 20th century.

The changing epoch began in 1898 when much of the parish was acquired by the army. From 1899 the part of Salisbury Plain to the north west of the village was used for artillery practice and a camp was set up on Durrington Down. By the beginning of the First World War there were three tented camps known as



Durrington, Larkhill, and Fargo Camps. In 1914 the Larkhill light military railway was built from Ratfyn in Amesbury to Fargo Camp and a large military hospital was built at that camp. During the war the tents at Larkhill Camp were replaced by huts and in 1916 the Stonehenge Inn was rebuilt by the Portsmouth United Brewery, who had acquired it. The war memorial was built on the base of the ancient cross. From

1920 Larkhill Camp became the headquarters of the School of Artillery and permanent brick building were put up.

The military expansion caused a decline in all types of farming as most of the land was occupied by the army. However the rapid rise in population, from 427 in 1901 to 3,005 in 1921 brought about the establishment of many shops and business. Banks were opened from 1919, houses and shops sprang up on both sides of Bulford Road, as far south as the Bulford to Shrewton road, a tin cinema opened on Larkhill Road, two new schools were built and housing was developed off the main streets. A village hall was built in the High Street; there were 18 shops, two motor engineers, two refreshment rooms and many other business. In the 1920s many homeless families moved into empty army huts while other huts were taken down and re-erected elsewhere for homes.

By 1928 the light railway was shut down, but building work at the camp was in full swing. In the late 1920s detached houses for married officers and semidetached houses for soldiers were built in Strangways and Fargo Road, while in the 1930s new barracks and houses were built in the camp. By the late 1930s there were continuous lines of settlement from Bulford Bridge to the Stonehenge Inn, to the south of village, including 60 council houses on the north side of Larkhill Road (1927-32), and private housing on Bulford Hill. In the village itself council houses were built in Meads Road, on the southern part of the High Street, and there was more public and private housing in the village.



In the camp two new officers' messes were built in neo-Georgian style in 1938 and around that time most of the buildings of the military hospital were removed.

After the Second World War a large council estate was built south of Coronation Road in the 1950s, and extended in the 1960s, while many more houses were also built at Larkhill Camp. Durrington continued to expand in the 1960s, after a drop in population in the 1950s owing to fewer military personnel being in the parish. By 1971 the population had increased by 1,997 in 10 years with most of Larkhill Camp being rebuilt on the original grid system of roads. Barracks and workshops were mainly built to the north of the Packway and houses to the south of the road. Alanbrooke Barracks were begun in c.1960, Stirling, the headquarters of the Royal



School of Artillery, in 1966, and Roberts in 1964. Larkhill now resembled a small town with the Packhorse Inn (1962), a medical centre, swimming pool and NAAFI. Many trees were planted and this is now one of the most wooded settlements in Wiltshire. In the village more shops and a police station opened and private bungalows were built in the grounds of Durrington House. Population remained static in

the 1970s although more private houses were built in new roads to the east of Bulford Road and west of Stonehenge Road. A branch library opened in 1971 and a sports centre and swimming pool, at the eastern end of School Road, in 1974. In a village appraisal, conducted by the parish council in 1975, it was found that there were 15 shops, 12 service industries, 2 banks, a library, 3 schools, 1 clinic with 2 doctors, and 3 small factories. The MOD was by far the largest employer and it was noted that there was no substantial industry and a lack of coherent community pattern.

During the 1980s and later new houses were built in the old part of the village, with some infilling. There were a few new houses on the Ham and some old peoples' bungalows in College Road. By 1992 the artillery range covered about 800 acres in the west of the parish and Durrington is still very much an army-orientated community.

#### **Durrington Today**

Durrington has no obvious single architectural style although the old village and Hackthorne area have many unique properties. The Village has developed on what were four fields and remains broadly divided into these areas each with its own character. Development has been conducted in three phases; the development of Windsor Road and Ridgmount in the late 1950's, the Pinkneys estate in the 1960's



and 70's, although limited development continues, and the Avondown Estate in the late 1980's and early 90's. It is almost impossible to identify a natural Village centre. There are opportunities for development on infill sites although it is probable that the Defence Estates site which lies between the High Street and the A345 will become available for a large development of about 150 properties



within the early part of this plan. Larkhill is predominantly a military garrison with little of architectural merit. Future developments within the garrison are subject to a PFI/PPP with the Ministry of Defence in partnership with the prime contractor Aspire Defence Limited. There is no prospect of private development within the garrison in the foreseeable future.

Durrington is served by two convenience stores, a newsagent, a Post Office which incorporates a third convenience store, petrol station which has a cash point, main Peugeot car dealership, two public houses and a working mans club, an Indian restaurant and three take-away food outlets, a turf accountant, a small



shop, a small DIY store, a number of hairdressers, two doctors surgeries, and a veterinary practice. Several businesses are located within Durrington and these include a haulage contractor, ready mix concrete plant, vehicle maintenance and repair garage and a vehicle body repairer.

Larkhill is served by a small arcade of shops that includes a Post Office which incorporates a take away food outlet, a small convenience store, newsagent, an Indian Restaurant, a hardware store and a further take away food outlet, located elsewhere there is a public house and a larger convenience store. The military garrison has a variety of Officers, Sergeants and Other Ranks clubs and messes.

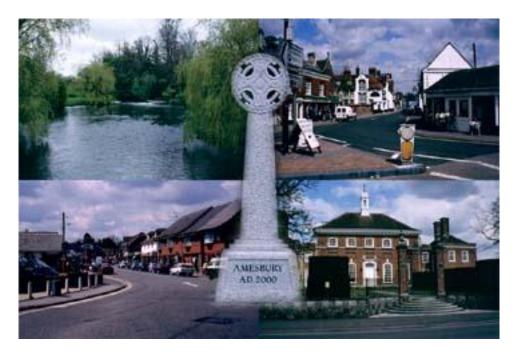


Leisure and recreational facilities include an indoor swimming pool and fitness centre in Durrington, and outdoor swimming pool operated by the Army at Larkhill, recreation grounds in both Larkhill, Durrington and at Fargo Road the latter two being provided by the Parish Council. Durrington has a modern village hall, a recreation ground with modern pavilion, a county library and a further



recreation area of outstanding flora and fauna based on the River Avon and known as the River Park. Game fishing for trout can be enjoyed on the River Avon and at the Avon Springs lakes which are run as a commercial fishery. A golf driving range with a par 3 nine hole course is located between Durrington and Larkhill Camp and there are several golf courses in the area at High Post, Tidworth, Salisbury, Upavon and Andover.

The market town of Amesbury is 1.5 miles to the south offers a wide range of additional retail, financial and leisure facilities including a Coop supermarket, an outlet of a national DIY chain, three banks, several estate agents, hotels and a sports centre.





Durrington is well served by a Secondary, Junior and an Infant school and Larkhill Primary school. The Secondary school has recently been granted sports college status and as a consequence has additional facilities in the form of a multi activity games area which is available to the community.



Durrington and Larkhill have an exceptionally low representation from ethnic minorities with 70 from various groups at the 2001 census or <1% of the population.

Further details are contained in the Community Profile at Appendix 1.



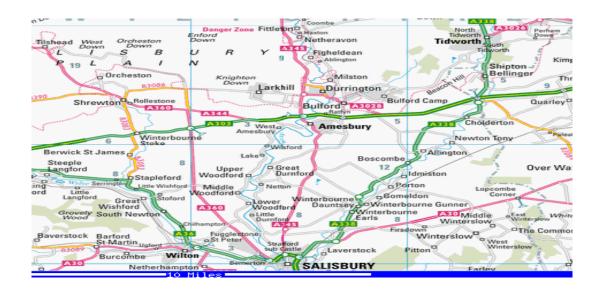


### Where is Durrington?

Durrington is located in South Wiltshire on the eastern edge of Salisbury Plain. The A303 trunk road which is located between Durrington and Amesbury is the main route for traffic between London and the South East and the West Country.









#### **The Process**

Information was received from the office of the Deputy Prime Minister in November 2003 on Parish Plans, Village Design Statements and Quality Parish Status. The Council determined that it would only proceed if support was gained from the residents.

#### **Early Days Forming a Steering Group**

A public meeting held in January 2004 was attended by more than 100 local residents, with representatives of both County and District Councils also present. After presentations by the Parish Council the public voted unanimously to proceed with the development of a Parish Plan. The Parish Council adopted the development of a Parish Plan as policy at their January 2004 meeting and decided that a Steering Group would be formed from the Community with the Chair to give progress reports at the monthly Parish Council meeting.

The Parish Plan Steering Group of six members was established in February 2004 from members of the Community who had volunteered at the Public Meeting. At its first meeting the Steering Group adopted the constitution recommended by the Countryside Agency in the Government publication Vital Villages. It was also agreed that the budget would be controlled by the Parish Clerk. A copy of the constitution is at Appendix 2.

The Steering Group consulted with Community Initiatives at Salisbury District Council and Community First and decided at its March meeting to proceed with financial support from the Countryside Agency (Community First).

The Parish Plan Steering Group adopted 'The Future in Your Hands' as its key phrase; it believed that this single phrase summed up the importance of the public consultation and the potential impact of the Plan on the Village. It is considered that the response to the consultation demonstrates the commitment of the community to the future vitality of Durrington and Larkhill.

Between March and June a budget and project management plan were developed under the guidance of Community First. The project management plan set November 2005 as the target date for the publication of the Parish Plan. A grant application to Community First for £3500 out of a total budget of £5400 was made in August 2004 with the remainder of the budget gained from support from local businesses. Pledges were received totalling £850 and a grant was made by the Parish Council for £500.

Meetings were held with representatives Community First who both gave guidance on the development of both the Parish Plan and on methods for public consultation. Although membership of the steering group changed through personal circumstances the chair remained constant throughout and the principle of members being from the community and not the Parish Council was maintained throughout.



#### Consultation

The Parish Plan Steering group consulted widely with the community to gain residents views. An initial questionnaire was prepared in late 2004 that ran to almost 50 questions on fifteen pages of A4. Under guidance from Community First this was considered inappropriate and that it was very unlikely to be completed due to its complexity. A change in strategy led to consultation being conducted in three phases:

- Drop in Events were held in February and March 2005 at the Village Hall, the local petrol station and convenience store. Members of the public were invited to write on 'stick its' what they liked, disliked and what changes they would like to see in community. Theses 'stick its' were then placed on the Village Tree, a wooden cut out in the shape of a tree. Approximately 200 'stick its' were placed on the tree with the comments forming the basis for the second phase. The event at the Village Hall invited organisations and clubs from Durrington to attend advertising what they did; due to the success it is now intended to hold this annually.
- The second phase was a questionnaire with all of the questions drawn from the first phase 'stick its'; all suggestions from phase one were included.
- The third phase was a final drop in day that was held at the Parish Office on the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2005 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The questionnaire, which was printed with a covering letter from the steering group, covered fifteen primary questions sub divided into a total of [80] options plus a sixteenth question which invited the public to comment on any other suggestions not previously covered. Each questionnaire was designed to be completed by a household with the opportunity for up to 6 respondents catered for. A copy of the questionnaire is at Appendix 3. The questionnaire was delivered to all households with the May 2005 edition of the Parish Magazine and additional copies were placed in the Post Office at Larkhill. These were collected door to door by members of the steering group and volunteers during May and June 2005. Out of a total of 2500 questionnaires distributed eight hundred questionnaires were collected for a total of 1006 respondents. Audit Commission guide lines on sample sizes indicate that a sample size of 935 for a population of 7500 is required to have a 95% confidence that the error will be no more than +or- 3%. It is therefore concluded that the sample size is statistically significant with a 95% level of confidence.

The parish plan steering group organised and ran a Village Fun Day on the 16<sup>th</sup>



July 2005 as part of the consultation process. This gave a final chance for residents to complete the questionnaire and for the group to discuss the plan further with the community. It has been estimated by the Chairman of the Parish Council that between 1500 and 2000 people attended. As with the drop in event the success of this Parish Plan initiative has led to suggestions that the fun day become an annual event.



Following analysis of the public consultation which identified the communities priorities for action meetings were held with key stakeholders to obtain their cooperation and in some cases endorsement of the Parish Plan. This included meetings with:

- Salisbury District Council Community Initiatives
- Wiltshire Constabulary
- English Nature
- Community First

The meeting with Salisbury District Council identified additional areas of consultation that they recommended needed to be conducted if they were to endorse the Parish Plan. They also required evidence of wide publicity of the consultation. A second questionnaire was developed for completion at the drop in event a copy of which is at Appendix 4. The need for wide publicity was achieved through an advert in the Parish Magazine (distributed to each household), posters in all shops, doctor's surgeries, petrol station, library etc. and details broadcast on the News section of local radio stations on the day.





This Parish Plan sets out local priorities for action over the next ten years. They are categorised for completion in the short term – within 2 years, the medium term within 5 years, or the long term within 10 years.

The priorities have been set by the local community – that is those who live and work in Durrington and Larkhill

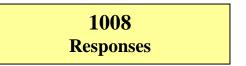
The majority of responses to the public consultation came from the May 2005 questionnaire with 1008 responses. The population of Durrington Parish at the 2001 census was 7182; The Parish includes both the Durrington and Larkhill. For this size of population sample the Audit Commission requires a response of at least 935 to achieve a 95% level of confidence with an estimated error of not more than +or- 3%. The survey conducted for the Parish Plan exceeded this requirement and is therefore statistically significant.

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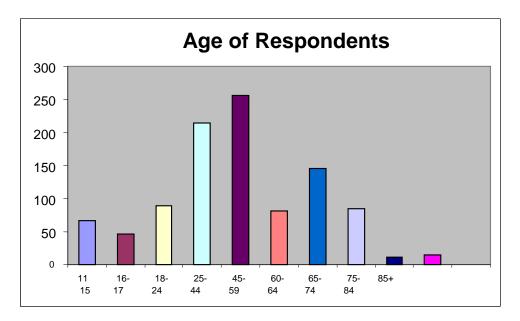
The results of the wishing tree drop in events formed the subject areas for the subsequent questionnaire. Public comments varied from sceptical to enthusiastic and included:

ve done all this before thing ever happens'	,	<b>'</b> A	A great day I never knew so much
'How are we going for all this?'	to p	pay	happened in Durrington'
	•The you		th are the future – we doing for them?'





The age of respondents shown at the graph below showed a similar distribution to that found in the 2001 Census:



There were 3% more female respondents than male, 7% did not state their gender.

## Key Priorities identified for the Parish are:

- Housing
- Transport and Highways
- Recreation and Leisure
- Community Services

*'Can we have a Cinema Club in the Village Hall?* 

'More Police on the beat'

What we need is a recreation ground nearer the Pinkneys Estate

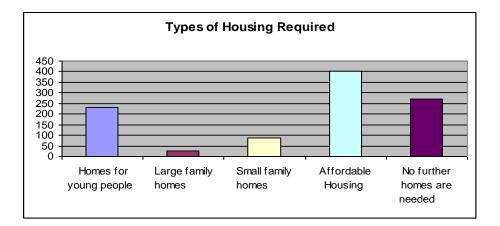


#### Housing

#### Our Vision - More affordable housing to allow people to remain in their local community

- 62% (634) of respondents wanted homes for young people (232) or affordable housing (402).
- 26% thought no further homes were needed.
- 9% wanted more small family homes.
- Less than 3% (28) wanted more large homes to be built

With the exception of the Defence Estates site there are no opportunities for large scale development within the Parish unless the MoD were to release land and planning consent could be gained. Such development is not in the District Plan. The need for additional affordable homes is recognised in the Local Plan.



Vision	Action	Partners	Action by
To build more affordable housing to allow	To influence the Local Plan to incorporate at	Salisbury District	Ongoing
people to remain in their local community.	least 30% affordable dwellings on all new	Council	
	developments.		



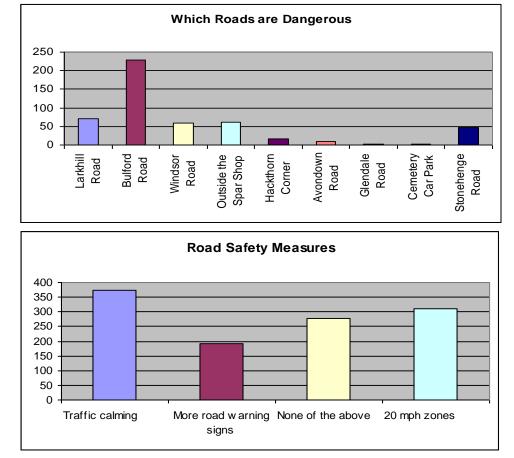
#### **Transport and Highways**

#### Our Vision - Parish roads to be as safe as possible for all road users whether on foot or motorised transport

#### Roads

- 67% thought there were major Danger Spots on the Roads in the Parish.
- 23% (229) considered Bulford Road to be the most dangerous with Larkhill Road (70) viewed as the second most dangerous.
- 37% supported Traffic Calming (374) and 31% the introduction of 20 mph speed limits (310). Finally 192 people supported more road warning signs. (People could vote for more than one safety measure to be introduced).
- 279 did not support any of the safety measures.

Parking on roads and pavements is becoming more prevalent leading to significant road congestion at peak times. This coupled with the 'school run' makes Bulford Road particularly dangerous for all road users between 8 and 9 a.m. and 2.30 and 3.30 p.m. on school days.

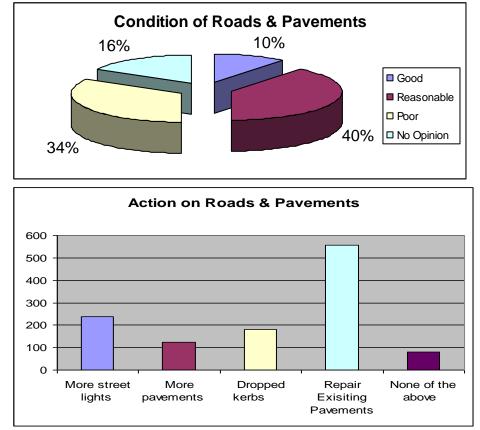




#### **Pavements and Street Lighting**

- 49% thought the pavements were user friendly (good 105 or reasonable 398) although 33% stated they were poor (340). No opinion was offered by 165 respondents.
- 55% wanted the existing pavements repairing (550) and 23% wanted more street lighting. Less than 1% (80) wanted no action to be taken)

Responsibility for pavements in the Parish is divided between Salisbury District and Wiltshire County Councils. Although the results appear to be favourable the condition of the pavements with significant trip hazards was commented on by the older population. The majority of the community wish to see repairs to the pavements and a significant minority more street lighting.



The Wiltshire Council road emergency hotline provides excellent response for urgent road and pavement repairs. The Parish Council should promote the help line and encourage the community to make use of this facility.



Vision	Action	Partners	Action Date
An excellent road, pavement and footpath network in good, safe condition, where defects are promptly rectified.	Promote CLARENCE for reporting of defects.	WCC	Short
	Conduct a survey of the condition of pavements and roads within the Parish and agree a prioritised timetable for repairs.	WCC SDC	Medium
Adequate defined parking to allow access to facilities within the Parish while alleviating parking problems in	Promote 'walk to school' schemes in partnership with the local schools.	WCC Local Schools	Short - Medium
residential areas.	Consider the establishment of a Residents parking scheme for Bulford Road.	SDC	Medium
	Parking enforcement to stop bad parking.	Constabulary	Short
Parish roads to be as safe as possible for all road users whether on foot or motorised transport.	Establish a working group to consider traffic calming, 20 mph speed zones and other safety measures as part of an integrated traffic management scheme.	WCC SDC Parish Council	Short
Well lit roads, pavements and footpaths to ensure public safety and well being.	Conduct a survey of street, pavement and footpath lighting.	WCC SDC Parish Council	Short



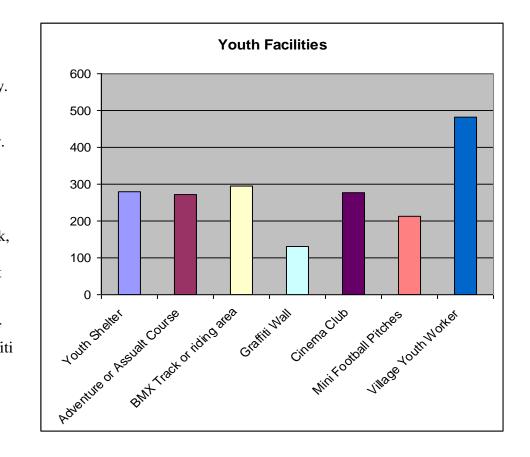
#### **Recreation and Leisure**

#### **Our Vision - Increase recreation land and facilities to exceed national guidelines**

#### **Youth Facilities**

There is a general consensus amongst all age groups that youth facilities need to be developed as a matter of priority. Young people are seen to be the future of the Parish, are generally well regarded and there is recognition that most will make and are responsible members of the Community.

- 48% or 481 respondents identified the need for a dedicated Youth Worker.
- 29% (294) supported the development of a BMX Track, 27% the introduction of a youth shelter (280), an adventure or assault course (271) and a Cinema club at the Village Hall or Pavilion (276).
- 21% of respondents would support the development of mini football pitches (212) but only 13% (131) a Graffiti Wall.





#### **Recreation and Leisure Facilities**

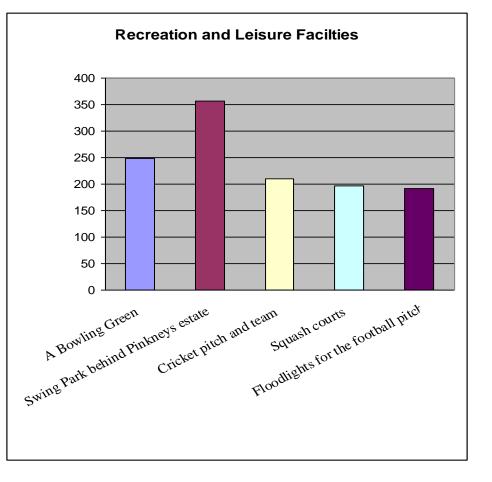
The District Council run Swimming Pool and Fitness Centre provide essential facilities to the local community, the wider rural community and sixteen schools. The continuation of this facility is essential for community well being, public safety and the provision to schools of swimming lessons.

The SDC local plan includes provision for R2 funds being ring fenced from new developments in the Parish for the provision of recreation facilities within the Parish. It has long been recognised that the gradual development the Pinkneys estate over the last 30 years to the West of Durrington Village was undertaken without the associated recreation facilities. This is identified in the questionnaire responses. The Salisbury District local plan has land identified for recreation use only in this area.

• 35% of respondents wished to see recreational facilities developed behind the Pinkneys Estate.

25% wished to see a bowling green in the Parish, 21% of cricket pitch and Parish Cricket team, 19.5% Squash Courts and just fewer than 19% the football pitch to be floodlit. It should be noted that the previous bowling green at the recreation ground was replaced by tennis courts some years ago. However, there is now a thriving short mat bowls club that meets at the village hall twice weekly which may have influenced the response.

he Countryside Agency Landscape Access Recreation



<b>T</b> 74 4			Action Date
Vision	Action	Partners	
Increase recreation land and facilities to exceed national guidelines.	New developments to include recreational planning gains for the local community.	SDC	Short and ongoing
	Develop recreational facilities on the Land identified in the Local Plan between the Pinkneys Estate and the A345. <i>Note: The</i> <i>Parish Council signed a lease with the</i> <i>Landowners in December 2005.</i>	SDC	Short
	Conduct further research to identify the community's priorities for sports and recreational facilities. Identify the costs, potential partners and sources of funding for the development of a bowling green, squash courts and flood lighting for the football pitch.		Medium
Dedicated facilities to meet the needs of the younger community.	Develop a BMX track. Note: Land has been obtained under lease by the Parish Council for the development of a BMX facility.	Self Help Local Business	Short
	Conduct further research to consider the potential for developing youth facilities including a youth shelter, adventure		Medium



	and/or assault course and mini football pitches.		
A cinema club for the community.	Mobile cinema scheme to be established by Winter 2005. <i>Note: A scheme has successfully been</i> <i>established in the Village Hall.</i>	Movieola Charity	Achieved
Professional support and guidance for the young community.	Introduce a dedicated community youth worker.	Church Groups The Bridge	Short

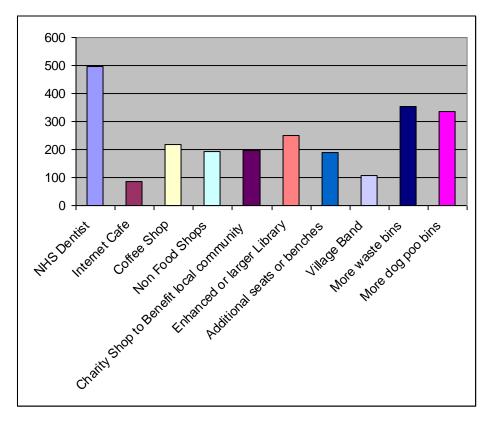


#### **Community Services**

#### Our Vision - Improved access for all to a range of health services particularly dental services.

The community is well served by Doctors surgeries, Salisbury District Hospital and the Armed Forces Medical facilities. However, there are no local facilities for dental treatment.

- 49% of respondents wanted an NHS Dentist in Durrington.
- 35% wanted to see an increase in the number of waste bins and 33% more 'dog pooh' bins.
- 25% (249) wished to see the enhancement of Durrington library. Discussion at the Village fun day supported the incorporation a coffee shop 218 people (21.6%).
- Almost 19% or respondents supported the introduction of more public seats within the Parish and 106 people (10.5%) a Village Band.
- There is strong support, 19%, for the retention of non food shops (192) and the introduction of a Charity shop for the benefit of the Parish (198).





## **Crime and Community Safety**

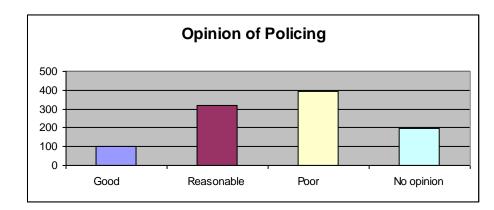
#### Policing

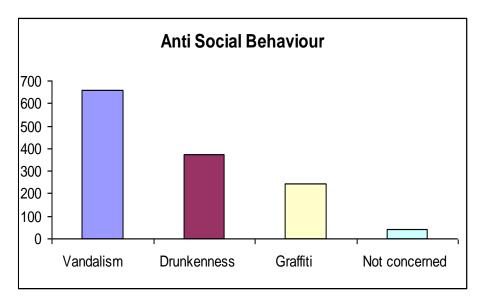
- 42% considered the policing to be either good (101) or reasonable (320) a further 196 offered no opinion.
- 38.7% (391) considered the policing of the Parish to be poor.

When asked which crimes or anti social behaviour within Durrington concerned them, replies where:

- 65.5% (661) stated they were concerned about vandalism.
- 37% stated drunkenness and 36% theft although only 24% were concerned about graffiti.

Wiltshire is one of the safest places in the country. However, fear of crime and anti-social behaviour is a reality for some members of the community. Durrington has a very active Neighbourhood Watch Scheme and the Parish Council holds a monthly Crime Prevention Clinic in association with Amesbury Police.

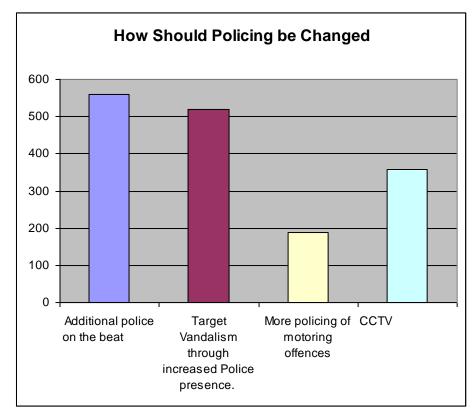






The community were asked how they would wish to see policing be changed. Responses indicated strong support for a wide range of measures which reflected a public perception that Durrington is not as safe as they wished it to be:

- 559 or 55.4% supported additional police on the beat.
- 51.5% favoured targeting vandalism through increased police presence (520).
- 35.6% wished to see the introduction of CCTV to reduce crime. *Note: CCTV is not a police matter and is controlled by Salisbury District Council.*
- There was little support for increased policing of motoring offences at 187 or 18.5%.



**Our Vision -** A Community where people of all ages feel safe and are not intimidated, with regular uniformed police patrols on foot and in vehicles giving a visible law enforcement presence, and where criminal damage is minimal.



Vision	Action	Partners	Action Date
Improved access for all to a range of health services particularly dental services.	The Primary Care Trust to implement government policy for dental services.	РСТ	Short to Medium
Library services suitable for the size of community.	Investigate the opportunities for enhancing the library service to include the potential for a coffee shop.	WCC	Short
Residents to have access to range of local retail facilities including non food outlets.	Ensure that the provision of the local plan is implemented by SDC to prevent further erosion of retail outlets within the community through conversion to residential.	SDC	Discussions Short With monitoring thereafter.
	Investigate the potential for opening a charity shop to benefit the Parish.	Church and Religious groups.	Short
A clean and tidy Parish.	Provide more waste and dog poo bins.	Parish Council	Medium
A community where people of all ages feel safe and are not intimidated, with regular uniformed police patrols on foot and in vehicles giving a visible law enforcement presence, and where criminal damage is	Explore the opportunity of dedicated Police Community Support Officers for Durrington and for enhanced and targeted policing to reduce vandalism.	Wiltshire Constabulary.	Short
minimal.	Investigate the potential for CCTV.	SDC	Short to Medium



# **Community Action Plan 2005 – 2015**

# Short Term = within 2 years, Medium Term = within 5 years, Long Term = within 10 years

Vision	Action	Partners	Action Date
Housing			_
To build more affordable housing to allow people to remain in their local community.	To influence the Local Plan to incorporate at least 30% affordable dwellings on all new developments.	SDC	Ongoing
Transport and Highways	1	1	1
An excellent road, pavement and footpath network in good, safe condition, where	Promote CLARENCE for reporting of defects.	WCC	Short
defects are promptly rectified.	Conduct a survey of the condition of pavements and roads within the Parish and agree a prioritised timetable for repairs.	WCC SDC	Medium
Adequate defined parking to allow access to facilities within the Parish while alleviating parking problems in residential areas.	Promote 'walk to school' schemes in partnership with the local schools.	WCC Local Schools	Short
parking problems in residential areas.	Consider the establishment of a Residents parking scheme for Bulford Road.	SDC	Medium
	Parking enforcement to stop bad parking.	Wilts Constabulary	Short



Parish roads to be as safe as possible for all road users whether on foot or motorised transport.	Establish a working group to consider traffic calming, 20 mph speed zones and other safety measures as part of an integrated traffic management scheme.	WCC SDC Parish Council	Short
Well lit roads, pavements and footpaths to ensure public safety and well being.	Conduct a survey of street, pavement and footpath lighting.	WCC SDC Parish Council	Short
Recreation and Leisure			
Increase recreation land and facilities to exceed National guidelines.	New developments to include recreational planning gains for the local community.	SDC	Short then ongoing
	Develop recreational facilities on the Land identified in the Local Plan between the Pinkneys Estate and the A345. <i>Note: The</i> <i>Parish Council signed a lease with the Land</i> <i>Owners in December 2005.</i>	SDC	Short
	Conduct further research to identify the community's priorities for sports and recreational facilities. Identify the costs, potential partners and sources of funding for the development of a bowling green, squash courts and flood lighting for the football pitch.		Short to Medium
Dedicated facilities to meet the needs of the younger community.	Develop a BMX track. Note: Land has been obtained under leased by	Self Help Local Business	Short



	<ul> <li>the Parish Council for the development of a BMX facility.</li> <li>Conduct further research to consider the potential for developing youth facilities including a youth shelter, adventure and/or assault course and mini football pitches.</li> </ul>		Short
A cinema club for the community.	Mobile cinema scheme to be established by Winter 2005. Note: A scheme has successfully been established in the Village Hall.	Movieola Charity	Achieved
Professional support and guidance for the young community.	Introduce a dedicated community youth worker.	Church Groups The Bridge	Short
Community Services		·	
Improved access for all to a range of health services particularly dental services.	The Primary Care Trust to implement government policy for dental services.	РСТ	Short
Library services suitable for the size of community.	Investigate the opportunities for enhancing the library service to include the potential for a coffee shop.	WCC	Short to Medium
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	Investigate the potential for opening a charity shop to benefit the Parish.	Church and Religious groups.	Short
A clean and tidy Parish.	Provide more waste and dog poo bins.	Parish Council	Medium
A community where people of all ages feel safe and are not intimidated, with regular uniformed police patrols on foot and in vehicles giving a visible law enforcement presence, and where criminal damage is	Explore the opportunity of dedicated Police Community Support Officers for Durrington and for enhanced and targeted policing to reduce vandalism.	Wiltshire Constabulary.	Short
minimal.	Investigate the potential for CCTV.	SDC	Short to Medium



# APPENDIX 1 COMMUNITY PROFILE - DURRINGTON PARISH (data from the 2001 Census)

#### **Geography and Background**

Durrington is located in South Wiltshire on the eastern edge of Salisbury Plain. The village is broadly divided into two parts by the A345, Durrington to the East of the road and Larkhill to the West; Durrington Parish covers both Durrington and Larkhill. The City of Salisbury (Pop 45,000) and the market Town of Amesbury (Pop 8,500) are 9 miles and 1.5 miles respectively to the South.



Durrington is a large rural village bounded to the South, North and East by the River Avon, which is a Sight of Significant Scientific Interest (SSSSI), and to the west by the A345 road and Salisbury Plain. Larkhill which is located on the edge of Salisbury Plain is predominantly a military garrison that is the home to the Royal School of Artillery although there are a number of private properties to the southern boundary on Fargo Road.

Durrington and Larkhill fall within the Salisbury parliamentary constituency although under Boundary Commission changes they will become part of the Devizes constituency at the next General Election. The Village falls within the responsibility of Salisbury District Council to which it elects three ward members and Wiltshire County Council to which it elects a single ward member shared with Bulford Village. Traditionally the area has returned a Conservative member of parliament and a mixture of Conservative and Liberal Democrat members at District and County elections. There is a strong elected non political Parish Council of sixteen members.



Durrington and Larkhill have a combined population of 7182 (source 2001 census). The residents of Larkhill are predominantly military personnel who tend to be resident for two to five years before being posted elsewhere; however, many settle in the area at the end of their military service giving Durrington a significant ex military population.

Durrington and Larkhill are located on the edge of the Stonehenge World Heritage Site (WHS) which contains many areas of archaeological significance other than the world famous Stonehenge monument. The ancient monuments of Woodhenge and Durrington Walls, which form part of the WHS, fall within the Village. The proximity of the WHS impacts on the Village and is a significant planning consideration for new developments. English Heritage intends to return Stonehenge and the WHS to a natural setting without 20<sup>th</sup> Century clutter like roads and modern buildings. This will require a new visitor centre to be built, just outside the Parish but the proposed method of transporting visitors to the WHS by Land Train has a significant impact on residents to the Southerly boundary of the Parish at Fargo Road. Salisbury District Council rejected the planning application although this decision is now under appeal.

Durrington has no obvious single architectural style although the old village and Hackthorne area have many unique properties some of which are listed. The Village has developed on what were four fields and remains broadly divided into these areas each with its own character. Development has been conducted in three phases; the development of Windsor Road and Ridgmount in the late 1950's, the Pinkneys estate in the 1960's and 70's, although limited development continues here, and the Avondown Estate in the late 1980's and early 90's. It is almost impossible to identify a natural Village centre and many commented during public consultation that the Parish has 'no heart'. There are opportunities for development on infill sites although it is probable that the Defence Estates site which lies between the High Street and the A345 will become available for a large development of about 150 properties within the early part of this plan. Larkhill is predominantly a military garrison with little of architectural merit. Future developments within the garrison are subject to a PFI/PPP with the Ministry of Defence in partnership with the prime contractor Aspire Defence Limited. There is no prospect of land being released for private development within the garrison in the foreseeable future.

Durrington is served by two convenience stores, a newsagent, a Post Office which incorporates a third convenience store, petrol station which has a cash point, main Peugeot car dealership, two public houses and a working mans club, an Indian Restaurant and three take-away food outlets, a turf accountant, a small electrical shop, a small DIY store, three ladies hairdressers, two doctors surgeries, and a veterinary practice. Several businesses are located within Durrington and these include a haulage contractor, ready mix concrete plant, vehicle maintenance and repair garage and a vehicle body repairer.



Larkhill has a small arcade of shops that includes a Post Office which incorporates a take away food outlet, a small convenience store, newsagent, an Indian Restaurant, and a further take away food outlet, located elsewhere there is a second-hand car dealership, a public house, and a larger convenience store.

Leisure and recreational facilities include an indoor swimming pool and fitness centre in Durrington, and outdoor swimming pool operated by the Army at Larkhill, recreation grounds in both Larkhill, Durrington and at Fargo Road the latter two being provided by the Parish Council. Durrington has a modern village hall, a recreation ground with modern pavilion, a county library and a further recreation area of outstanding flora and fauna based on the River Avon and known as the River Park. Game fishing for trout can be enjoyed on the River Avon and at the Avon Springs lakes which are run as a commercial fishery. A golf driving range with a par 3 nine hole course is located between Durrington and Larkhill and there are several golf courses in the area at High Post, Tidworth, Salisbury and Andover.

The market town of Amesbury is 1.5 miles to the south offers a wide range of additional retail, financial and leisure facilities including a Coop supermarket, an outlet of a national DIY chain, three banks, Estate Agents, hotels and a sports centre.

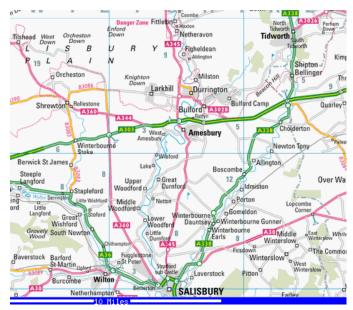
### **Educational Facilities**

Durrington is well served by a Secondary, Junior and an Infant school and Larkhill by a Primary school. An additional secondary school, The Stonehenge, is located in Amesbury 1.5 miles to the South. Some parents, or pupils, elect to attend this school rather than the local school in Durrington. Salisbury 9 miles to the South offers separate boys (Bishops Wordsworth) and Girls (South Wilts) grammar schools; both schools have an excellent National reputation for examination results and operate sixth forms; as a consequence attendance is determined by selection.

Durrington All Saints Church of England Infants School accepts pupils at the age of four and a half. It has an excellent reputation. Larkhill Primary School accepts pupil at the age of four and half. There Pupils move onto Secondary education at either the Avon Valley Sports College or the Stonehenge School Amesbury. Durrington Church of England Junior School accepts pupils from its feeder schools when they are eight years old. The Secondary school has recently been granted sports college status and as a consequence has additional facilities in the form of a multi activity games area which is available to the community. The school covers a wide catchments area and has an average of *xxx* pupils. There is no sixth form facility and students move onto local colleges of education or other schools to undertake A Level studies. There are extensive pre school clubs and facilities in the Parish. These operate in the Village Hall, within military camps and in private schools.



## **Transport and Communication**



Durrington is well served by road, rail and air transport services. The A303 is the main arterial route from London and the South East to the West Country. To the East the A303 joins the M3 motorway for journeys into London. The A345 links Durrington with Marlborough and Swindon to the North and Salisbury to the South. Although the A303 road is dual carriageway or motorway from London to Amesbury it reverts to single carriageway one mile from its junction with the A345 causing severe local traffic congestion in the peak holiday periods and at bank holidays. Government plans to extend the dual carriageway through a tunnel past Stonehenge has been put on hold due to cost increases.

An excellent Train service runs from either Salisbury or Andover to London Waterloo, Bristol, the West Country and the South Coast. Trains operate hourly to London. Eurostar services operate from London Waterloo to Europe.

Regular bus services operate to Swindon in the North, Andover to the East and Salisbury. Coach stations in Salisbury and Amesbury operate National services.

Airports are located at Southampton (30 miles), Bournemouth (40 miles) Bristol (60 miles), London Heathrow (60 miles), London Gatwick (85 miles) and Exeter (90 miles). Low cost airlines operate from most of these airports.









## **Vehicle Ownership and Travel to Work**

Despite the public transport system 55% of people who travel to work do so by car or van (2267). The statistics indicate that the majority of these vehicles have only one occupant as only 271 people travel to work as a passenger. This is attributable to the high cost of local buses at peak times.

Method Of Transport to Work	
People who work mainly at or from home	316
Underground; metro; light rail; tram	5
Train	29
Bus; mini bus or coach	149
Motorcycle; scooter; moped	77
Driving a car or van	2267
Passenger in a car or van	271
Taxi or minicab	5
Bicycle	211
On foot	737
Other	51
Public transport users in households with car or van	146
Public transport users in households without car or van	26

Vehicle Ownership	
All households	2456
No car	288
One car	1213
Two cars	764
Three cars	153
Four or more cars	38
All cars or vans in the area	3370



## **Population Characteristics**

#### The total population of Durrington Parish at the 2001 Census was 7182

Age of Population	
People aged: 0 - 4	538
People aged: 5 - 7	340
People aged: 8 - 9	234
People aged: 10 - 14	522
People aged: 15	87
People aged: 16 - 17	220
People aged: 18 - 19	225
People aged: 20 - 24	587
People aged: 25 - 29	580
People aged: 30 - 44	1956
People aged: 45 - 59	1073
People aged: 60 - 64	207
People aged: 65 - 74	360
People aged: 75 - 84	186
People aged: 85 - 89	53
People aged: 90 and over	14
Widowed	

Country of Birth	
England	5988
Scotland	242
Wales	203
Northern Ireland	80
Republic of Ireland	26
Other EU Countries#	378
Elsewhere	265
Religion	
Christian	5931
Buddhist	16
Hindu	5
Jewish	3
Muslim	15
Sikh	0
Other religions	11
No religion	833
Religion not stated	367

Ethnic Group*	
White: British	6921
White: Irish	24
Other White	119
Mixed: White and Black Caribbean	16
Mixed: White and Black African	4
Mixed: White and Asian	14
Mixed: Other	12
Asian or Asian British: Indian	7
Asian or Asian British: Pakistani	3
Asian or Asian British: Bangladeshi	6
Asian or Asian British: Other	0
Black or Black British: Caribbean	20
Black or Black British: African	0
Black or Black British: Other	0
Chinese	19
Other Ethnic Group	14

\* Durrington and Larkhill have an exceptionally low representation from ethnic minorities with 70 from various groups at the 2001 census or <1% of the population.



## **Economy and Employment**

Economic Activity	All	Males	Females
All persons aged 16 – 74	5208	2849	2359
Employees: Part-time	631	53	578
Employees: Full-time	3069	2187	882
Self-employed	329	221	108
Unemployed	78	19	59
Full-time student	96	46	50
Unemployed: Aged 16 – 24	27	8	19
Unemployed: Aged 50 and over	5	2	3
Unemployed: who have never worked	5	1	4
Unemployed: long-term unemployed	19	3	16
Economically inactive: Retired	417	187	230
Economically inactive: Student	99	49	50
Economically inactive: Looking after			
home/family	303	8	295
Economically inactive: Permanently			
sick/disabled	101	41	60
Economically inactive: Other	85	38	47

Hours Worked	Male	Female
16 - 74 in employment	2502	1616
Part-time: 1-5 hours a week	3	24
Part-time: 6-15 hours a week	39	179
Part-time: 16-30 hours a week	62	457
Full-time: 31-37 hours a week	319	384
Full-time: 38-48 hours a week	1534	489
Full-time: 49 or more hours a week	545	83



Employment by Industry	Male	Female
Agriculture; hunting; forestry	51	9
Fishing	0	0
Mining and quarrying	0	0
Manufacturing	201	83
Electricity; gas and water supply	12	3
Construction	198	23
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles	194	245
Hotels and catering	58	114
Transport storage and communication	101	41
Financial intermediation	38	84
Real estate; renting and business activities	197	193
Public administration and defence	1298	324
Education	46	163
Health and social work	36	258
Other	71	9

Employment by Occupation	Male	Female
Managers and senior officials	303	142
Professional occupations	169	100
Associate professional and technical		
occupations	1057	219
Administrative and secretarial occupations	154	429
Skilled trades occupations	357	28
Personal service occupations	27	251
Sales and customer service occupations	63	185
Process; plant and machine operatives	172	30
Elementary occupations	200	232



### Housing

There are 2617 properties for residential use in the Parish with an average occupancy of 2.69 people per household. 2392 households are centrally heated and all have sole use of a bathroom and WC.

There are 588 living in communal facilities and not counted in the following tables. The majority of these 585 are living in military single person accommodation. This number will vary considerably dependent on military duties.

Properties by Type	
Total household spaces	2617
With residents	2456
With no residents: Vacant	156
With no residents: Second / holiday home	5
House or bungalow: Detached	719
House or bungalow: Semi-detached	974
House or bungalow: Terraced (including end	
terrace)	705
Purpose built flat or apartment	154
Converted Flat or apartment (including bed-sits)	6
Flat or apartment in commercial building	24
Caravan or other mobile or temporary structure	35

Tenure of Households	
All households with residents	2456
Owned outright	472
Owned with a mortgage or loan	972
Shared ownership	10
Rented from council (local authority)	207
Rented from: Housing Association/Registered Social Landlord	161
Rented from: Private landlord or letting agency	162
Rented from: Other	472

There is a significant shortage of affordable accommodation for rent, purchase or shared ownership; this is a District wide problem. It Salisbury District Council planning policy that all new developments incorporate a minimum of 25% affordable housing.



All households	2456
One Person: Pensioner	204
One person: Other	242
One family and no others: All pensioners	160
One family and no others: Married couple: No children	428
One family and no others: Married couple: With dependent children	771
One family and no others: Married couple: All children non-dependent	168
One family and no others: Cohabiting couple: No children	94
One family and no others: Cohabiting couple: With dependent children	74
One family and no others: Cohabiting couple: All children non-dependent	9
One family and no others: Lone parent: With dependent children	155
One family and no others: Lone parent: All children non-dependent	51
Other households: With dependent children	52
Other households: All student	0
Other households: All pensioner	5
Other households: not counted elsewhere	43



**Household Composition** 

## **Community Organisations and Recreational Activities**

The Parish has a thriving Community infrastructure with more than 60 clubs and organisations. Details are held at the Parish Office and in the Library.

## **Health Facilities**

Health facilities are divided between those provided to the Military within the Garrison area and available only to military personnel and their families and those more widely available to the general public. Military medical facilities are located within the Garrison at Larkhill.

There are two doctors' surgeries in Durrington both located on Bulford Road. The Cross Plain Surgery and the Avon Valley practice. No Dental surgery or treatment is available in Durrington. The nearest surgery is in Amesbury with others in Salisbury and the nearest NHS Dentist is located close to the Hospital.

Hospital facilities with an Accident and Emergency Department are provided at Salisbury and District Hospital which is located to the South of the City.

A Sheltered Housing site of 22 units controlled by Salisbury District Council is located in Durrington at Addison Square. The unit is visited daily by one of a team of peripatetic Housing Support Officers. A cord operated emergency help line service within each home connects to a call centre in Salisbury which is manned 24 hours a day 365 days per annum.

## Police

When talking Policing it must be remembered that South Wiltshire is one of the lowest crime areas in the Country and is a very safe place to live. This is in no small part to the effective policing offered by Wiltshire Constabulary.

Durrington and Larkhill come under the Amesbury Division of Wiltshire Constabulary. The nearest Police Station is at Amesbury with the Police central control operated from Devizes. Amesbury Division has recently moved to Community Police Teams which it is hoped will give



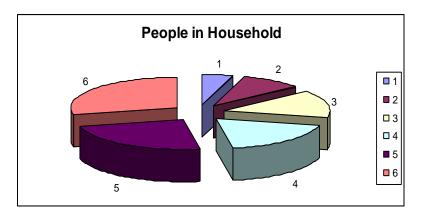
higher profile policing of the Durrington Area. Durrington has a very active Neighbourhood Watch scheme and the Parish Council operates a Crime Prevention clinic on the first Tuesday of each month.

In addition to Wiltshire Constabulary Larkhill has the benefit of Ministry of Defence Police, a Constabulary in its own right, which offers additional police presence.

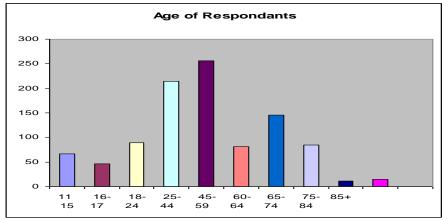


## Appendix 2 Community Questionnaire Analysis

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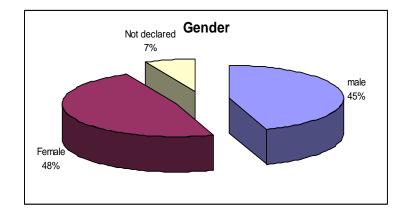


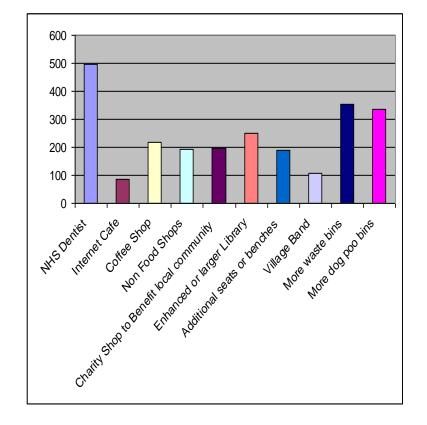
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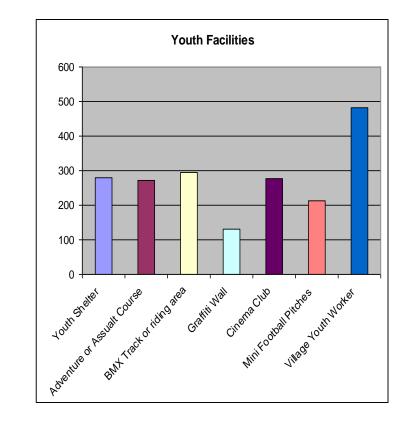
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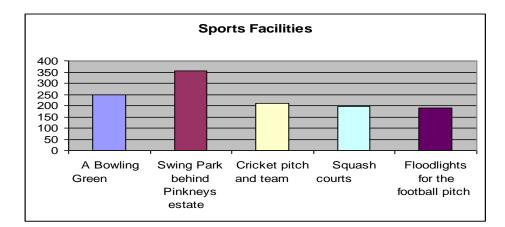


#### Q4. Which of the following are needed?

Q5. Which of the following youth facilities are needed?

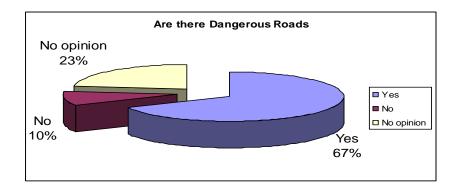




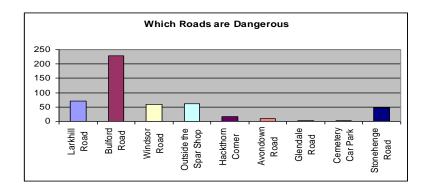


Q6. What additional Sports and recreation facilities are needed?

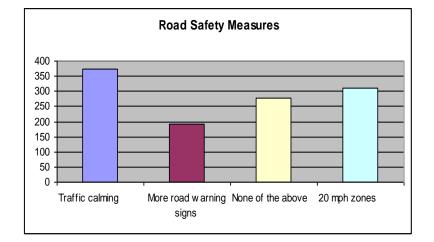
Q7. Do you think there are any major 'danger-spots' on the roads?



#### Q8 Tell us which single road you consider most dangerous?

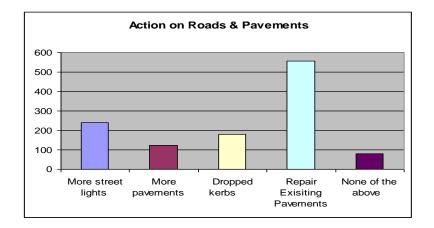




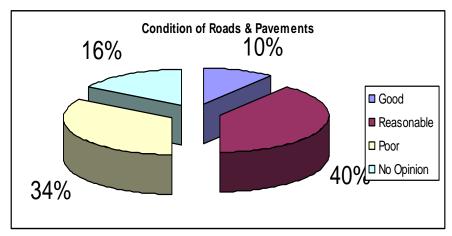


Q9. Would you support the following safety measures?

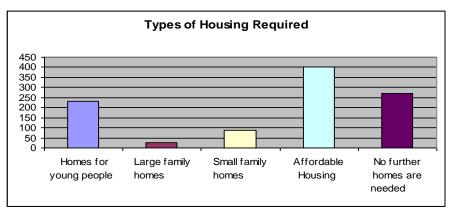
Q11 Would you like to see any of the following?



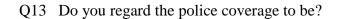
Q10 How user-friendly are the pavements?

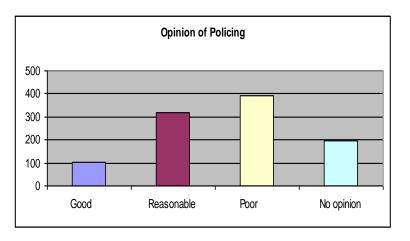


Q12 What kind of accommodation do you think is needed locally?

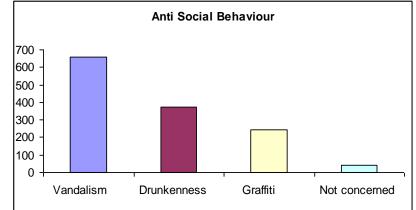




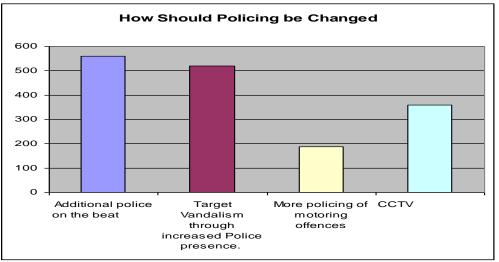




Q14. Which, if any, of the following crimes and anti-social behaviour concern you?



Q15. Which of the following would you support?



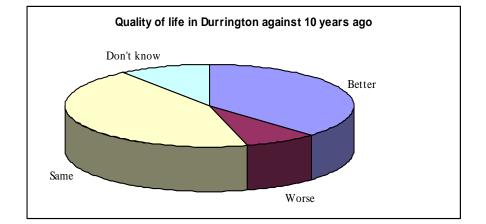


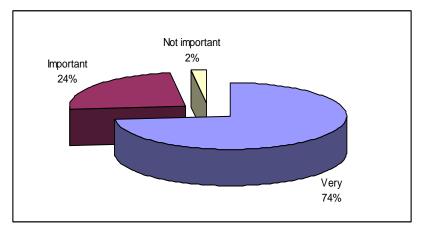
### **Appendix 3 Community Consultation November 2005**

At the request of SDC further consultation was undertaken in November 2006. A 'drop in day' was held at the Parish Office from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November to give members of the community an opportunity to review the outcomes of the May consultation and to identify their views on the quality of life in Durrington, the environment, economic factors and how Parish Plan schemes should be funded.

Despite very wide publicity on local radio, posters in all retail outlets, pubs & clubs, hairdressers, the garage, doctors' surgeries etc. the response was very poor with 48 respondents. In accordance with the National Audit Office guidelines the number of responses is not statistically significant and the result is included in the interests of completeness.

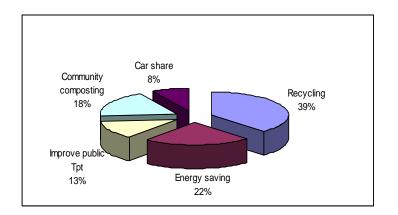
Q1 How is the quality of life in Durrington compared to 10 years ago? Q2 How important is the quality of the countryside to you?



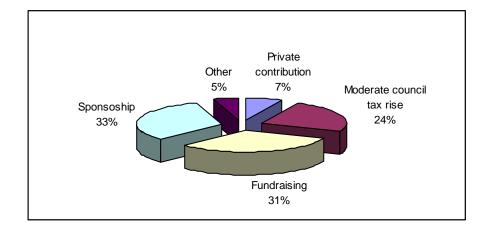




Q3 What should be done to protect and enhance the local environment?

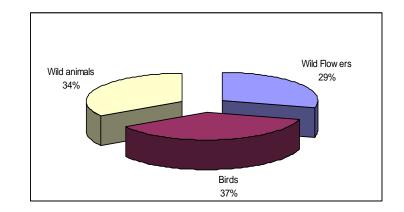


Q5 How funds should be raised for Parish Plan schemes:





Q4 Which of these are important to you?



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# Glossary

LDF	Local Development Framework
LP	Local Plan
PCT	Primary Care Trust
SDC	Salisbury District Council
SSSI	Site of Special Scientific Interest
WCC	Wiltshire County Council
WHS	World Heritage Site

