

SURVEY CONDUCTED: JUNE 2022 RESULTS PRESENTED: SEPTEMBER 2022

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## **Key Messages**

- Excellent response from all areas of the Parish
- Households are generally fond of Coddenham and its surroundings
- Households appreciate the Parish's facilities, but there is room for improvement, together with the addition of a 'Pub'
- Some housing development, especially for first time buyers is seen as desirable, but larger developments are opposed
- Development of renewable energy 'farms' in the Parish or close by are supported by the majority, with conditions
- Traffic remains the biggest single issue, not just the B1078
- Parish bodies need to continue to improve communication through all channels, as households' source in different ways

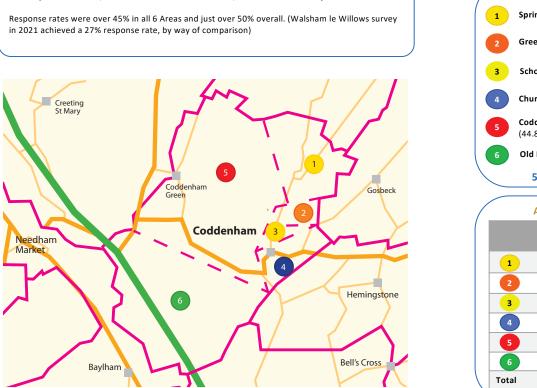
We need continued feedback and ideas from households to formulate and support future plans

Some areas will be difficult to take forward and will require 'trade offs'

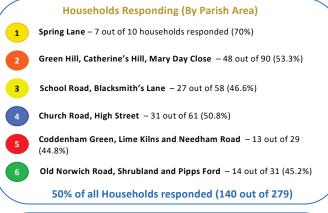


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## **Survey - Households Responding**



Parish split into 6 areas, similar to those used in the 1990, 1995 and 2000 surveys



#### Ages of members of Households responding

	>65	50-65	30-49	18-29	12-17	Under 12	Total
1	3	9	1	1	2	0	16
2	36	22	18	7	5	6	94
3	21	13	9	3	3	5	54
4	29	17	10	1	1	3	61
5	8	4	11	2	2	5	32
6	4	11	10	5	5	6	41
Total	101	76	59	19	18	25	298



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## Households' Views of Coddenham

#### Length of Time, Households have been in Coddenham

Of the 140 Households responding:

- 46 (33%) have lived here for >20 years
- 56 (40%) have lived here between 6-20 years
- 32 (23%) between 1-5 years
- 6 (4%) for under 1 year

#### Households' Primary Reason for moving to Coddenham Of the 140 Households responding:

- 60 moved here through a 'Desire to live in a Countryside Village'
- 28 moved 'With their job or to be close to relatives'
- 29 moved for Other Reasons (usually property driven or marriage)
- 13 Retired here
- 10 had 'Always lived here'

84% of Households, gave a score of at least 8 (out of 10) in response to the Question: Would you recommend Coddenham to Others?

#### What Households regard as 'Special' about Coddenham

The 'Top 5' responses were:

- 95 (chosen by 68% of households in their Top 5) Village Facilities (Shop, Coddenham Centre, Church etc.)
- 76 (54%) Parish Location (proximity to Ipswich/A14, whilst still being in open Countryside)
- 75 (54%) the Parish's Circular Walks
- 70 (50%) that the Parish is in a Conservation Area
- 64 (46%) because there is a Strong Sense of Community



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## Households' Transport

#### **Household Vehicles**

- The 140 Households responding:
- Own 250 vehicles
  - 126 Petrol powered
  - 101 Diesel powered
  - 16 EVs
  - 7 Hybrids
- Of which 235 were parked 'off the road'.
- 79 Households had 2 or more vehicles; only 9 had no vehicles.

We average 1.8 vehicles per Household

Of the **128** Households which listed their greatest challenges / issues in the Parish:

44 - said "Power Network resilience" and 26 - said 'Lack of EV charging capabilities'

#### **Public Transport**

- 34 Households (24%) use the Bus service, at least occasionally
- Service described as 'poor' through to 'pretty good'
- Ipswich, most common destination
- Main issues:
  - Revised routing due to road closures – without advanced notice
  - No service to Needham Market (Surgery and Trains)
- Of those not using Public Transport, the main reason given was "Have no need for it "



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## **Housing and Energy**

### Households' Housing Plans during the next 10 years

- 46% No Plans to Move
- 16% Downsize to 2-3 bedrooms property
- **13%** Next move away from Coddenham
- 12% Retirement Property
- 6% Other (no plans, Eco efficient)
- 5% Starter Home
- **2%** Larger property (4-6 bedrooms)
- \*129 of 140 Households responded

#### Households' Key Property-related Issues

- **68** 2<sup>nd</sup> Homes / Holiday Homes
- 52 Oil-based Heating
- **47** Lack of attraction for Younger Families
- 45 Expensive Properties locally

Support for neighbouring Solar or Wind Farm, if it reduced bills (not that one is planned)

- 31% Definitely
- 45% Yes, depending on location
- 12% Possibly
- 8% No
- 5% Unsure/no opinion

\*129 of 140 Households responded

Main need in comments is for **Starter/Smaller properties** so members of the community can get on the housing ladder.

No desire for larger properties to be added in the Village, but this doesn't exclude very limited development elsewhere in the Parish, similar to Sharmford Meadows.

Although some Householders don't want to see any development, the majority of those making comment, wish to see younger people being able to buy/rent so that the Village doesn't become gentrified.

Clear desire to resolve the continued dereliction of the former Duke's Head and the house in Love Lane



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## The Main Issue - Traffic, Traffic and Traffic

Of **127** households listing their greatest issues, **115** said TRAFFIC. It is listed by all Households in Areas **4** (Church Road/High Street), **5** (Coddenham Green, Lime Kilns and Needham Road) and **6** (Norwich Road, Pipps Ford and Shrubland).

In response to the Question: What is the one thing you'd change in the Parish if you could? 60 (of the 99) Households which responded gave a Traffic related answer.

#### Key points

- HGVs Coddenham should be removed from Designated Lorry Route (Church Road, High Street and Lime Kilns)
- Speeding (Church Road, Lime Kilns, Needham Road, Norwich Road and School Road)
- Bridge 'strikes' and subsequent closures
- Quarry 'eight-wheelers' (Norwich Road)
- Congestion (Church Road and High Street)
- Damage to buildings and vehicles (Church Road, High Street and Lime Kilns)
- Lack of enforcement of laws (Speed limit, 7.5t vehicle limit, East to West)
- Pollution (Church Road and High Street)
- Increasing rage of motorists (Church Road and High Street)
- Parish/village is split by the Road / makes walking, cycling, riding unpleasant > dangerous
- Lack of pavements / safe walking (Church Road to 3 Cocked Hat/High Street/School Road)

Acceptance of some that:

- We are dependent on HGVs to deliver what we all buy
- The Shop will be adversely affected if car/van traffic is reduced. (Shop viewed as a desirable facility by many households, completing the Survey)

Strong Desire to see progress with Mitigations this time, as the problem is getting worse



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## **Community and Communication**

#### Where Households source Coddenham related information

- 112 Word of Mouth
- 92 Ten Village News
- 83 Parish Council Newsletter
- 82 Posters and Noticeboards
- 63 Parish Community Website
- 59 Facebook
- 31 Parish Council Website
- 29 Village e-mail Cascade
- 15 Attending Parish Council Meetings
- Zero Twitter/Instagram

Talking to each other remains popular

We all source information in different ways using a variety of channels

Many Households don't know what information is available and where to find it, especially outside the Village Centre.

27 Households stated 'lack of Parish Council engagement' remains an issue

Of the **128** Households which listed their greatest challenges / issues in the Parish:

77 - said "No Pub" (It's the 'missing hub')

\*No Pub was second only to 'Traffic' which was raised by 115 Households

Still a feeling of '**them and us'** Green Hill and rest of the Village

'Villagers' have limited understanding of the views/needs of those outside the Village (**70 Households**)

#### What Social Events would Households be interested in?

- 100 Farmers'/Food Markets
- 82 Cinema Nights
- 61 Lunches/Barbecues
- 60 Team Quiz Nights
- 58 Table-top Sales
- 57 Brunches
- 57 Themed Nights e.g. Greek/Italian
- 53 Cheese and Wine Evenings
- 47 Bier fests
- 25 Events for <16 year olds
- 21 Sporting Tournaments
- 6 Events for 16-19 year olds

Other suggestions included:

- Bingo and Race Nights
- Informal sports clubs (Keep-fit, running, cycling)
- Live music (classical and popular)
- Pop-up Talks (Local natural history, local society lectures)
- Theatre visits

Some further offers to assist with future events, but not to organise them on an ongoing basis.



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## Housholds' Use of Facilities

	Use at least Monthly	Never use / use rarely	No opinion	What would encourage greater use?
Allotments	14	123	3	Water supply on site. Greater awareness. Allotment Community. Availability of plots.
Broomhill/Mill Hill	86	50	4	Picnic tables/benches. Wheelchair/offroad pushchair friendly.
Circular Walks	112	26	2	More frequent maintenance. Better signage. Wheelchair/offroad pushchair friendly. Benches.
Community Shop	109	30	1	Easier parking. BYO container refills. Later opening. For some cheaper products, for others more artisan items. Larger café.
Country Club	19	113	8	Longer opening times. More welcoming. Food availability. Better décor/facilities.
History Club	27	107	6	More information about it. More external speakers.
Post Office	68	68	4	More frequent opening inc Saturdays. Parcel drop-off. Better publicity.
Recycling at TCC	114	22	4	Tetrapak, cardboard/paper and battery recycling.
St Mary's Church	28	105	7	Non-religious use e.g. music concerts, historical tours
The Coddenham Centre	46	88	6	More evening events. Non-activity-based classes e.g. singing, painting, book club, gardening club. Café facility. Better information as to what's available.
Recreation Ground	73	65	2	Goals and nets for younger children.

Other facilities suggested: no/low-cost meeting place; visiting take-away vans, GP/medical out-reach and a service-point for campervans



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### **External to Coddenham** Opportunities and Challenges

We asked: **"What Opportunities or Challenges do Households see coming from outside the Parish over the next 10 years, which might impact residents".** 

	Increased Development along A14	Tourism	Traffic	Property Developers	Migration of Families out of Cities	Renewable Energy	Future of Shrubland	Future of St Mary's
Positive	12	52	2	8	25	87	27	64
Negative	66	6	115	86	29	1	12	3
Both	38	54	8	26	59	27	73	33
No Opinion	24	28	15	20	27	25	28	40

- Responses support comments made elsewhere in the survey.
- Generally, Households are concerned about nearby developments and the adverse impact they will have on existing traffic flows.
- Renewable energy is viewed in a positive light as is St. Mary's, albeit many Households would like to see St. Mary's put to wider community use.
- Tourism is seen favourably other than for an increase in traffic.
- There is a mixed response to Migration of families out of cities to live in country parishes like Coddenham; it reinvigorates but increases house prices and can gentrify villages to the detriment of locals.
- Shrubland is loved by many for its walks. However, there is genuine concern at the dilapidation of the House and for the future of the overall estate.



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## **Survey - Next Steps**

- Contact those who have requested a response to their comments
- Gather feedback from parishioners following presentation of results
- Allocate specific follow-ups to Parish organisations
- Draft a Community Plan 2023-2030 and present back to parishioners by end of 2022

Continue to Engage with parishioners throughout the process and work together across all Parish organisations



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