

Questionnaire results

Number of Responses

1285

Question 1

I am a resident of Stratfield Mortimer	97.20% 1,249
I work in Stratfield Mortimer (only select this if you do not live in Mortimer)	2.80% 36
Total	1,285

Question 2

	16-18	19-25	26-35	36-45	46-55	55-65	over 65	Total
Age Range	2.12% 27	2.90% 37	8.94% 114	25.65% 327	20.00% 255	15.76% 201	24.63% 314	1,275

Principle 1

The NDP must make it possible for people to live the whole of their lives in the parish if they so wish

	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Agree strongly	Total
	1.82% 23	6.55% 83	11.60% 147	44.20% 560	35.83% 454	1,267

	Disagree strongly	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Agree Strongly	Total
This principle will be achieved by providing:						
a) A range of homes being available to match the needs of people in the various stages of their lives –for example, starter homes, homes for rent, shared equity, family homes and smaller homes including bungalows for older people to downsize	1.81% 23	5.04% 64	7.64% 97	49.65% 630	35.86% 455	1,269
b) The infrastructure services of a modern and attractive parish – superfast broadband, schools that meet capacity needs, additional health and welfare services	0.71% 9	1.03% 13	4.34% 55	45.35% 575	48.58% 616	1,268
c) Local employment opportunities and encouraging successful businesses	1.58% 20	5.38% 68	17.71% 224	52.02% 658	23.32% 295	1,265
d) An attractive village centre that encourages more people into the local shops, making them more successful	0.47% 6	2.13% 27	8.99% 114	46.85% 594	41.56% 527	1,268

Principle 2

	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Agree strongly	Total
The NDP will ensure that new residential developments will be within or adjacent to the existing settlement envelope boundary and, ideally, close to the centre of the village (Post Office, bank).	3.92% 47	9.42% 113	13.42% 161	45.92% 551	27.33% 328	1,200

This principle will be achieved by:	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither agree not disagree	Agree	Agree strongly	Total
a) Minimising the extension of the existing village envelope	1.94% 24	6.22% 77	10.43% 129	44.79% 554	36.62% 453	1,237
b) Maintaining a compact village and disallowing “ribbon” style developments	2.34% 29	6.54% 81	10.73% 133	40.60% 503	39.79% 493	1,239
c) Encouraging and enabling walking and cycling to the village, reducing the need for car usage	0.80% 10	2.73% 34	8.19% 102	43.69% 544	44.58% 555	1,245
d) Providing space for sufficient school and surgery provision at the heart of the village	1.05% 13	2.57% 32	6.11% 76	39.39% 490	50.88% 633	1,244
e) Maintaining the rural approaches to the village	0.48% 6	1.45% 18	4.18% 52	35.56% 442	58.33% 725	1,243
f) Avoiding closing the gaps between Mortimer and adjacent settlements	1.52% 19	2.56% 32	6.33% 79	27.96% 349	61.62% 769	1,248

Principle 3

To make the schools and health/welfare infrastructure proposed in the Second Principle effective for as long as possible, the NDP should allocate and reserve space near the centre of the village to enable the provision of them (when approved and funded):

	Disagree strongly	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Agree strongly	Total
New, larger St John’s Infant School with associated parking	2.65% 33	5.05% 63	12.59% 157	43.06% 537	36.65% 457	1,247

	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Agree strongly	Total
New doctors’ surgery with associated parking	2.49% 31	7.54% 94	11.55% 144	38.01% 474	40.42% 504	1,247

	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Agree strongly	Total
New St Mary’s Junior School	7.70% 96	15.41% 192	26.48% 330	32.74% 408	17.66% 220	1,246

Site of Residential Development

How should the NDP allocate the site(s) for the 110 homes?	Responses
a) Develop only site 7, the field behind St John's School to accommodate 110 homes and reserve space there to build a new St. John's Infant School, school playing field, and a new Doctors' surgery with parking for school and surgery	54.56% 670
b) Develop all of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Site 2 in King Street site (up to 10 homes)• Suitable windfall site/garden land (infill) which can be identified by 22nd May• Site 7 behind St John's School to accommodate the balance of 110 homes and reserve space there to build a new St. John's Infant School, school playing field, and a new Doctor's surgery and the associated parking	30.21% 371
c) Neither of a) or b) above	15.23% 187
Total	1,228

12 respondents put forward land for consideration.

Types of Additional Houses

What types of additional homes are needed in the parish?	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Total
Detached houses with 3 or more bedrooms	9.76% 112	20.58% 236	22.14% 254	37.40% 429	10.11% 116	1,147
Semi-detached houses with 2 to 3 bedrooms	2.84% 33	3.87% 45	14.09% 164	63.66% 741	15.55% 181	1,164
Terraced houses with 2 to 3 bedrooms	7.04% 81	12.77% 147	21.20% 244	48.83% 562	10.17% 117	1,151
Starter houses with 1 to 2 bedrooms	5.13% 60	5.22% 61	12.40% 145	52.01% 608	25.24% 295	1,169
Flats with 1 to 2 bedrooms	13.73% 155	18.33% 207	22.23% 251	32.60% 368	13.11% 148	1,129
Houses with workshops attached for cottage industries	14.51% 165	23.48% 267	35.53% 404	21.55% 245	4.93% 56	1,137
Houses with office space for home workers	10.44% 119	16.49% 188	34.04% 388	31.93% 364	7.11% 81	1,140
Bungalows suitable for downsizers	4.60% 54	6.89% 81	18.64% 219	49.87% 586	20.00% 235	1,175
Sheltered accommodation for the elderly	3.47% 40	8.77% 101	21.70% 250	50.35% 580	15.71% 181	1,152
Affordable housing – homes for rent	11.94% 138	12.28% 142	22.23% 257	39.62% 458	13.93% 161	1,156
Affordable housing – shared equity homes	11.14% 128	10.44% 120	24.63% 283	40.64% 467	13.14% 151	1,149
Affordable housing – homes to buy (per government qualification criteria)	10.66% 123	9.62% 111	22.36% 258	43.07% 497	14.30% 165	1,154

Affordable Home Allocation

How should affordable homes be allocated? Order of priority 1= highest	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Living in the parish	61.72% 698	17.33% 196	9.55% 108	5.84% 66	3.18% 36	0.71% 8	1.68% 19	1,131
A member of a family already living in the parish	10.08% 114	39.79% 450	18.21% 206	16.98% 192	11.05% 125	3.27% 37	0.62% 7	1,131
Currently employed within the parish	4.33% 49	13.00% 147	28.82% 326	25.99% 294	21.04% 238	6.10% 69	0.71% 8	1,131
Previously living or employed in the parish but moved away because of lack of affordable housing	7.60% 86	15.38% 174	22.10% 250	24.31% 275	24.31% 275	5.31% 60	0.97% 11	1,131
Prioritise jobs and professions working in the parish (e.g. teachers, firemen)	14.85% 168	12.38% 140	17.86% 202	20.60% 233	28.91% 327	4.77% 54	0.62% 7	1,131
Resident of adjacent villages (e.g. Beech Hill, Burghfield Common)	0.18% 2	2.03% 23	2.83% 32	5.31% 60	10.88% 123	77.01% 871	1.77% 20	1,131
Resident outside West Berkshire	1.24% 14	0.09% 1	0.62% 7	0.97% 11	0.62% 7	2.83% 32	93.63% 1,059	1,131

Design Principles

	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Agree	Agree Strongly	Total
A Site Development Design Brief will be prepared for each site selected for development and included in the Mortimer NDP.	1.89% 21	0.72% 8	9.73% 108	47.66% 529	40.00% 444	1,110
Large developments will be designed to include the following:	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Agree	Agree Strongly	Total
Rural footpaths which link to the centre of the village	0.68% 8	1.35% 16	6.59% 78	48.27% 571	43.11% 510	1,183
Layouts which encourage the formation of a number of smaller communities	4.17% 49	15.66% 184	35.23% 414	32.00% 376	12.94% 152	1,175
Cycle ways which link to the centre of the village	1.78% 21	4.24% 50	14.24% 168	44.49% 525	35.25% 416	1,180
Open green space	0.34% 4	0.68% 8	5.75% 68	39.34% 465	53.89% 637	1,182
Wildlife habitat e.g. ponds, wetlands, bird and bat boxes	0.76% 9	3.06% 36	13.50% 159	35.14% 414	47.54% 560	1,178
Play areas	2.21% 26	5.52% 65	14.77% 174	45.42% 535	32.09% 378	1,178

New developments will have:	Responses
No public lighting	34.41% 405
Ground level lighting on pavements and paths	28.12% 331
Lamp post lighting at junctions only	24.38% 287
Lamp post streetlights throughout	13.08% 154
Total	1,177

Design 2

New developments will:	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Agree	Agree Strongly	Total
Have no buildings higher than 2 principal storeys (or 3 if using roof space)	0.76% 9	3.29% 39	4.47% 53	38.45% 456	53.04% 629	1,186
If bricks are used these will be red/orange in colour, similar to those of the Victorian buildings in the village	1.10% 13	3.12% 37	14.08% 167	41.40% 491	40.30% 478	1,186
Have roofs of red tile or grey slate	1.02% 12	2.12% 25	18.47% 218	44.07% 520	34.32% 405	1,180
Have any necessary street furniture finished in black	1.79% 21	4.09% 48	35.35% 415	36.80% 432	21.98% 258	1,174
Have gabled or hipped roofs rather than flat roofs	1.02% 12	1.19% 14	10.16% 120	43.10% 509	44.54% 526	1,181
Encourage energy management technology to encourage reduction in waste (eg intelligent thermostats and consumption monitoring via mobile phone)	0.59% 7	1.95% 23	20.87% 246	41.73% 492	34.86% 411	1,179
Use details such as coloured brick inserts, mouldings or patterns of raised brick around windows or between levels , similar to those on existing buildings in the village	1.28% 15	1.63% 19	20.55% 240	44.43% 519	32.11% 375	1,168
Adhere to the Building for Life 12 principles	0.53% 6	0.98% 11	18.29% 206	47.51% 535	32.68% 368	1,126

Flooding

	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Agree	Agree Strongly	Total
Developments will be designed to reduce flooding on-site and downstream	0.09% 1	0.52% 6	4.55% 53	37.94% 442	56.91% 663	1,165
Site self-sufficient to manage run-off	4.22% 49	4.48% 52	8.35% 97	41.17% 478	41.77% 485	1,161
SuDS as part of site development	0.52% 6	1.03% 12	11.51% 134	45.10% 525	41.84% 487	1,164

Commercial and Employment

The NDP should help to retain existing employment and encourage new employment by policies that support:

	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither or Disagree	Agree	Agree Strongly	Total
The conversion of existing buildings in the village to office space	6.46% 76	18.27% 215	32.63% 384	35.77% 421	6.88% 81	1,177
The conversion of redundant farm buildings to office space	3.40% 40	7.74% 91	16.58% 195	58.25% 685	14.03% 165	1,176
The allocation of land for a small number of small office units	13.29% 155	29.59% 345	28.90% 337	24.53% 286	3.69% 43	1,166
	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither or Disagree	Agree	Agree Strongly	Total
The conversion of existing buildings in the village to retail	6.40% 75	16.72% 196	28.41% 333	40.87% 479	7.59% 89	1,172
The allocation of land for new retail units	18.87% 221	38.43% 450	25.45% 298	15.12% 177	2.13% 25	1,171
Applications for new retail outlets by independent and local businesses	9.31% 109	18.36% 215	25.79% 302	38.60% 452	7.94% 93	1,171
Applications for retail space by high street chain businesses	45.43% 532	32.62% 382	15.20% 178	5.64% 66	1.11% 13	1,171
	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither or Disagree	Agree	Agree Strongly	Total
A small number of start-up premises	8.57% 100	13.54% 158	30.59% 357	42.59% 497	4.71% 55	1,167
A small number of small light-industry units	15.69% 184	28.99% 340	30.09% 353	22.42% 263	2.81% 33	1,173
The building of a childcare nursery by a business	8.65% 101	12.00% 140	32.82% 383	39.50% 461	7.03% 82	1,167
Large commercial or industrial activity or warehousing	61.35% 716	26.39% 308	9.00% 105	2.66% 31	0.60% 7	1,167
Solar farms that conform to the NDP principles	26.50% 309	19.21% 224	25.56% 298	21.87% 255	6.86% 80	1,166

Commercial and Employment 2

Features to Facilitate Commercial Activity	Responses
Meeting rooms for short-term and ad-hoc hire	16.54% 134
Superfast broadband	85.06% 689
Village hub with computers for short-term hire	8.64% 70
Office space for short-term hire	10.12% 82
More public Wi-Fi	44.32% 359
A Mortimer-specific website on which businesses may advertise	38.64% 313
A Mortimer-specific business networking forum	20.25% 164
Business directory (printed) distributed to homes	24.69% 200

CIL Infrastructure Spend

	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Agree	Agree Strongly	Total
New community hall/village hall	13.71% 157	37.03% 424	33.62% 385	12.31% 141	3.32% 38	1,145
Purchase and refurbish Garth Hall as a new community centre	7.35% 85	13.92% 161	38.98% 451	31.81% 368	7.95% 92	1,157
Contribute to the development of a community/sports centre on the Alfred Palmer Playing Field	6.42% 75	12.84% 150	23.03% 269	46.32% 541	11.39% 133	1,168
Public toilets in the centre of the village	15.51% 181	23.05% 269	20.65% 241	28.11% 328	12.68% 148	1,167
More bike racks at the station	2.07% 24	4.41% 51	30.94% 358	49.87% 577	12.71% 147	1,157
Allotments	4.78% 55	9.30% 107	30.58% 352	44.05% 507	11.29% 130	1,151
Village recycling centre	9.26% 107	17.47% 202	25.09% 290	36.59% 423	11.59% 134	1,156
CCTV on the Fairground	11.29% 131	16.55% 192	30.00% 348	31.81% 369	10.34% 120	1,160
Charging points for electric vehicles	10.26% 118	17.39% 200	47.57% 547	19.91% 229	4.87% 56	1,150

Parking

	Responses
Station car park enlargement	92.38% 1,006
Converting verges to hard-standing laybys on both sides of road from station roundabout going towards Grazeley	55.19% 601
Additional car parking space in the centre of the village	34.25% 373
Total Respondents: 1,089	

Heritage

	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Agree	Agree Strongly	Total
The Bronze Age barrows near the western end of the village in Stephens Firs and Holden's Firs) should be developed into an attraction/amenity for the village.	7.96% 90	13.72% 155	35.40% 400	33.10% 374	9.82% 111	1,130

Biodiversity and Green Spaces

	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Agree	Agree Strongly	Total
Additional cycle ways should be surfaced with more natural surfaces such as gravel rather than hard surfaces such as tarmac	3.15% 36	17.05% 195	27.88% 319	37.41% 428	14.51% 166	1,144
There is no need for additional rural footpaths	12.38% 140	31.39% 355	27.50% 311	23.70% 268	5.04% 57	1,131
There is a need for a footpath/cycleway away from The Street connecting the village, St Mary's school and the station	3.57% 41	8.02% 92	12.64% 145	41.15% 472	34.61% 397	1,147
There is a need for a footway/cycleway to connect Mortimer and Burghfield	5.59% 64	12.31% 141	17.99% 206	38.25% 438	25.85% 296	1,145
All new large developments should have at least as much green open space as Strawberry Fields	0.52% 6	1.92% 22	11.55% 132	49.61% 567	36.40% 416	1,143
There is no need for more green space apart from that provided on new developments	18.05% 205	24.47% 278	25.79% 293	27.38% 311	4.31% 49	1,136
All new developments should be wildlife friendly by providing such things as bat roosts, hedgehog gates in boundary fences and wildlife (unkempt) areas	0.87% 10	2.87% 33	17.23% 198	42.47% 488	36.55% 420	1,149
Existing green spaces may be used for new development as long as more than equivalent provision is provided close at hand	30.00% 342	28.95% 330	18.07% 206	18.77% 214	4.21% 48	1,140

Local Green Spaces

	Disagree Strongly	Disagree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Agree	Agree Strongly	Total
The Fairground will be designated a Local Green Space	0.52% 6	0.43% 5	3.03% 35	29.76% 344	66.26% 766	1,156
The Alfred Memorial Playing Field will be designated a Local Green Space.	0.70% 8	1.48% 17	8.77% 101	35.53% 409	53.52% 616	1,151