

# LINTON PARISH COUNCIL

## HOUSING DEVELOPMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

### ***BACKGROUND for information.***

The format of the questionnaire was finally approved at the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2008.

It was agreed that ALL parishioners on the Electoral Roll \* would receive individual copies of the Questionnaire, together with an informative background document, a site map and a letter outlining the process for returning the Questionnaire. A SAE would be included with every Questionnaire. (In cases where there were several Electors at the same address only one background document, Site map letter and SAE would be sent)

Responses would be anonymous and in confidence. It was agreed that the closing date for returns would be 14<sup>th</sup>. JULY 2008

Questionnaires etc. were printed, envelopes address (checked against the Electoral Role) and the majority posted 2<sup>nd</sup> Class at the Sorting Office in Maidstone on SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> June 2008, the rest, some of which had to be weighed, were posted in Coxheath on Monday 30<sup>th</sup>. June 2008.

Most households , if not all, received the documentation on WEDNESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2008

The first responses were received, by hand, during the early afternoon of Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2008.

Two telephone calls have been received seeking clarification on the return date, one letter was returned as the person concerned had moved and one household did not get a SAE..... this was remedied!!

There have been no damaged or defaced returns

***TOTAL NUMBER of QUESTIONNAIRES sent out = 441***

***TOTAL NUMBER of HOUSEHOLDS receiving Questionnaires = 218***

\* The Electoral Roll was published on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2007 and has been updated with information supplied by MBC in accordance with Regulation 36 of the Representation of the People Regulations 2001

In order to assist with the analysis of the returns the Parish was divided into three (3) CLUSTERS each identified by a different date line at the bottom of the Questionnaire

**CLUSTER 1**

Barnes Lane  
Cornwallis Ave.  
Linton Hill from Wheelers Lane to the Everest  
Wheelers Lane  
Vanity Lane

Number of Electors 186  
Number of Households 97

**CLUSTER 2**

Village Hall to Heath Road  
Heath Road  
Park Avenue  
Westerhill Road

Number of Electors 136  
Number of Households 67

**CLUSTER 3**

Redwall Lane  
Linton Hill from Wheelers Lane southwards  
Loddington Lane  
Stile Bridge Lane  
Lacy Lane

Number of Electors 119  
Number of Households 54

(Total number of Electors 441)  
(Total number of Households 218)

**NUMBER of RESPONSES RECEIVED**

Cluster 1	103 out of a possible 186	55%
Cluster 2	56 out of a possible 136	41%
Cluster 3	28 out of a possible 119	23%

**OVERALL NUMBER of RESPONSES RECEIVED AS AT PM 16<sup>TH</sup> July 2008**

187 out of a possible 441 = 42%

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**NUMBER OF RESPONSES NOT RECEIVED**

254 = 58%

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**ANALYSIS of RESPONSES RECEIVED**

(\* % rounded up and down)

*Are you in favour of the proposed development in Vicarage Field?*

<b>YES</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>19%</b>
<b>NO</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>69%</b>
<b>UNDECIDED</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>11%</b>

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*Would you be in favour of a similar size development elsewhere in the Parish?*

<b>YES</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>16%</b>
<b>NO</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>69%</b>
<b>UNDECIDED</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>14%</b>

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*Would you be in favour of .... :-*

<b>None</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>56%</b>
<b>1 to 5</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>6 to 10</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>11 to 15</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>)</b>
<b>16 to 20</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>) = 18%</b>
<b>21 to 24</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>)</b>
<b>25+</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>)</b>

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*... more houses built in Linton over the next ten years?*

## **ANALYSIS of RESPONSES RECEIVED by CLUSTER**

### **CLUSTER 1**

*Are you in favour of the proposed development in Vicarage Field?*

<b>YES</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>18%</b>
<b>NO</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>76%</b>
<b>UNDECIDED</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6%</b>

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*Would you be in favour of a similar size development elsewhere in the Parish?*

<b>YES</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>21%</b>
<b>NO</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>68%</b>
<b>UNDECIDED</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11%</b>

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*Would you be in favour of... :-*

<b>NONE</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>58%</b>
<b>1 to 5</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14%</b>
<b>6 to 10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14%</b>
<b>11 to 15</b>	<b>3 )</b>	
<b>16 to 20</b>	<b>4 ) =</b>	<b>14%</b>
<b>21 to 24</b>	<b>4 )</b>	
<b>25+</b>	<b>4 )</b>	

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## **CLUSTER 2**

*Are you in favour of the proposed development in Vicarage Field?*

<b>YES</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16%</b>
<b>NO</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>61%</b>
<b>UNDECIDED</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>23%</b>

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*Would you be in favour of a similar size development elsewhere in the Parish?*

<b>YES</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9%</b>
<b>NO</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>69%</b>
<b>UNDECIDED</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>21%</b>

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*Would you be in favour of :-*

<b>NONE</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>46%</b>
<b>1 to 5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>6 to 10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>18%</b>
<b>11 to 15</b>	<b>1 )</b>	
<b>16 to 20</b>	<b>3 ) =</b>	<b>16%</b>
<b>21 to 24</b>	<b>3 )</b>	
<b>25+</b>	<b>2 )</b>	

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### CLUSTER 3

*Are you in favour of the proposed development in Vicarage Field?*

<b>YES</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>28%</b>
<b>NO</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>64%</b>
<b>UNDECIDED</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7%</b>

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*Would you be in favour of a similar size development elsewhere in the Parish?*

<b>YES</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14%</b>
<b>NO</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>75%</b>
<b>UNDECIDED</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11%</b>

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*Would you be in favour of :-*

<b>NONE</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>53%</b>
<b>1 to 5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>6 to 10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>11 to 15</b>	<b>2 )</b>	
<b>16 to 20</b>	<b>1 ) =</b>	<b>32%</b>
<b>21 to 24</b>	<b>2 )</b>	
<b>25+</b>	<b>4 )</b>	

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### COMMENTS taken directly from the RETURNS

... at their meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> July 2008, the Parish Council took note of the various comments provided, but decided that they would not publish them in order to preserve the confidentiality of individual returns.

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## **SUMMARY**

**42% of the electorate circulated have responded within the 'time frame' identified.**

**In every case there is a clear response to the questions asked .**

**Cluster 1.... (which can be identified as the Cluster surrounding Vicarage Field) has returned the largest percentage of responses (55%), followed by Cluster 2 (41%) (identified as the northern and western Cluster) and latterly Cluster 3 (23%) (identified as the southern and eastern Cluster)**

**Written comments were received from 45 electors in Cluster 1, 18 in Cluster 2 and 13 in Cluster 3 ... a total of 76 which represents 41% of those who replied. All have been recorded as presented.**

**Only two responses were signed, the rest are totally unidentifiable.**