

## Options

The steering group have reviewed the feedback and the comments given.

The key outcomes are:

- That Withington should remain as a Village and not a suburb of Hereford; this is something that is felt very strongly.
- To improve transport links and traffic control. The Parish Council can only lobby for better transport links but ultimately the decision is made by Herefordshire County Council. Improved transport links could be seen as a way of bringing working professionals to the Village and giving them better transport options.
- Better Broadband and Mobile services. This is an ongoing issue for many living in the Withington Group Parish and with respect to Mobile services there was an article in the recent edition of the Withington news. Bill Wiggin MP is pushing for better mobile signal and is asking for people to respond in writing so this has been recognised as an important issue. Faster Broadband is of concern and one that is currently being looked at nationally.
- 80% of the votes for developments are no more than 10 with 6-10 and 3-5 equal. Small developments are the major outcome from the questionnaire. These new developments are to be new homes and not flats; these should be family homes with no more affordable housing association. The new homes should be built with live and work potential. There are planning applications which have already been submitted and with the Neighbourhood Plan in development this should help when larger planning developments are submitted.
- Agriculture and tourism should be encouraged. Holiday lets are a way of bringing tourism to the countryside and a way that farmers can diversify should they wish to. However there may be planning restrictions in place which may need to be looked at.
- No wind farms. Renewable energy is a current issue and it was felt that no wind farms should be built within the Withington group parish.