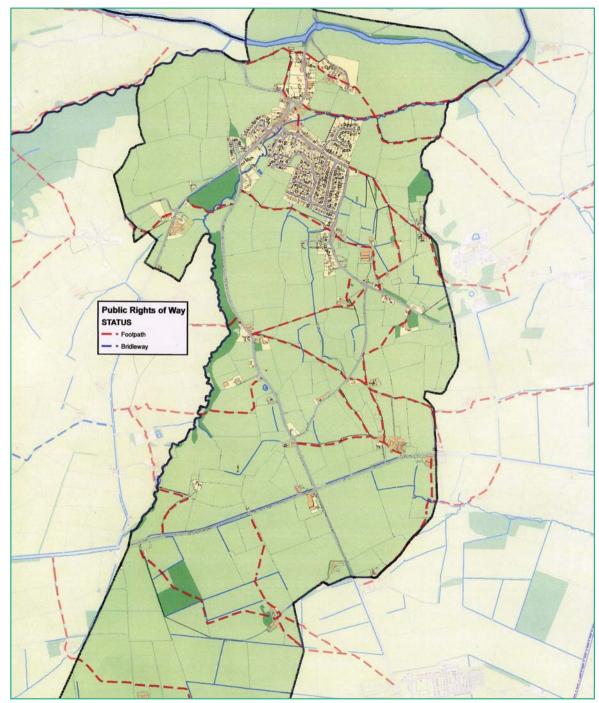
# Hampsthwaite Village Plan



# Hampsthwaite Parish

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## Introduction

## **History of Hampsthwaite**

This booklet is the culmination of an extensive survey during May 2006, of the people who live in Hampsthwaite. The survey sought residents' views about the village, what they valued and what they wanted to see improved.



In 2003, the Government, via The Countryside Agency, launched the Village Plan initiative supported by grant funding. The purpose was to "help rural communities to take charge of their destinies and to strengthen local government". As a response to this initiative, in July 2005 a working group was formed to draw up our Village Plan. The motivation was: to try to ensure that the village developed as its residents wanted; to enhance and improve the village's environment and amenities and to use the Plan as the basis for future funding bids.

Over the following nine months, a number of social events were held in order to test residents' interest. Out of this process, a 56 question survey was distributed to 441 households in the village during May 2006. 258 questionnaires were returned, a 59% response rate, demonstrating a



high level of interest in the survey. All percentages quoted in the Plan have been based on the total number of replies.

The results and conclusions of the previous Hampsthwaite Community Survey and the more recent Housing Needs Survey by the Rural Housing Trust have been taken into account where they have overlapped.



The responses contain a wealth of information as to what residents think about Hampsthwaite as a place to live, what they wish to preserve and what changes they would like to see. All of these views are summarised in this booklet, so please read for yourself what has been said and what you feel makes this village such a special place.

Of course a survey is very interesting, but the most important outcome is what we do with the results. The Action Plan on pages 22 & 23 detail the most important issues that residents want to see taken forward. The Village Plan group will be discussing with the Parish Council and other village organisations, how jointly we can achieve many if not all of these objectives. We shall seek to keep you informed from time to time as to how we are doing in meeting these objectives.

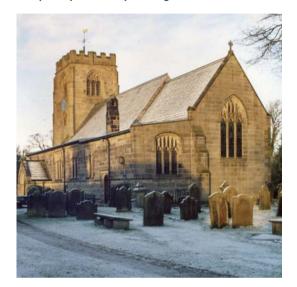
In conclusion, we should like to thank all those who took part in the survey, the Village Plan Group for their dedicated and enthusiastic support of this project and the Yorkshire Rural Community Council for providing the funding that made all this possible. It is proposed there should be a formal review of the whole plan no later than 2010. The name Hampsthwaite is derived from old Norse and means the thwaite, or meadow, of Ham or Hammall. The earliest written record of the settlement (circa 1180) is as "Hamethwayt" in the Early Yorkshire Charters. The Roman road from "Olicana" (Ilkley) to "Isurium" (Aldborough) crossed the Nidd at Hampsthwaite and this led to the development of a market here.

Hampsthwaite was situated within the Forest of Knaresborough, a royal hunting preserve in the time of William the Conqueror. The Market Charter of Hampsthwaite was granted by Edward I in 1304 and provided for a market every Friday and an annual fair of four days at the Feast of St. Thomas the Martyr. These were held in the main street.



The market was primarily for cattle and there were seven slaughterhouses in Hampsthwaite. The width of the village street allowed the drovers to bring in stock to the market. The back wall of the present allotments was the street boundary and the terrace adjacent to the Village Room has been built over part of the original market area. Thompsons' Garth was the auctioneer's office and it is thought that Mally's Cottage was used by the drovers as a stopping off point. The markets and fairs have now lapsed, but the tradition of an annual Feast continues.

The parish church of Hampsthwaite, was built as a penance by relatives of those responsible for the murder of Thomas a Becket, and dedicated to his name. In the tower there are the remains of an earlier Saxon building and Celtic crosses can be found set into the porch. Some reconstruction had taken place in the 1820's and it was completely rebuilt by C Hodgson Fowler in 1902.



Peter Barker, born in 1808, lived in a cottage near the church. He lost his sight at the age of four but overcame this handicap to become known as the Blind Joiner of Hampsthwaite. Some of his work is still in evidence: he carried out some work to the pulpit and pew in the church and he also managed to take to pieces and clean the church clock. An account of his life was published soon after his death in 1873. (see http://www.calverley.info/hampsthwaite.htm)



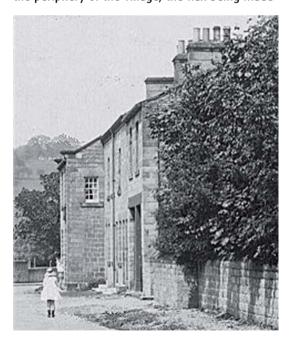
## Hampsthwaite today

## **History of Hampsthwaite**

In 2004, the Methodist Chapel celebrated 100 years of Methodism in Nidderdale. The first chapel was constructed in 1818, although meetings had been held in the village earlier. The date stone built into the new chapel indicates it was constructed in 1903.



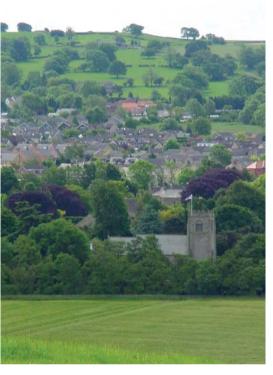
Farming has been the economic mainstay of the village. The hillsides are used for sheep grazing, the meadows for cow pastures and the valley bottom for arable crops. There was a flax mill on the periphery of the village, the flax being made



up by villagers into sacks and Hessian - the main cottage industry. In the late C19th, when the Duke of Devonshire was lord of the manor, the village was a thriving community. Tradesmen included shoemakers, grocers and butchers, a saddler, a joiner, tailors, a tinplate worker and innkeepers.

The family of the writer William Makepeace Thackeray lived in Hampsthwaite and the old Saddler's Cottage adjacent to the village green is on the site of a terrace where they lived. 'Finden Gardens' is named after Amy Woodforde Finden, the composer of "Indian Love Lyrics" whose family were also associated with Hampsthwaite.





Hampsthwaite lies 5 miles north west of Harrogate to the south of the river Nidd. The original part of the village is designated as a Conservation Area (containing 16 Grade II listed buildings) and the area to the north and west of Hampsthwaite is recognised as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

The village has a mixed population of approximately 1200, living mainly alongside two main streets and within more recent housing developments, all of whom enjoy the benefits of a close, mutually supportive community and access to a wide range of facilities. These include a Village Room and Memorial Hall, Post Office, shop, restaurant and public house. Hampsthwaite CE Primary School is at the heart of the village and the focus for many community activities. It was built in 1861 and is typical of its era with tall, high level windows and a steeply pitched roof. Its gabled porch echoes that of the church and the school railings are a dominant feature of the Village Green.



The setting of the village within the valley of the Nidd is its main attraction and entrance to the village from the north is via the narrow C17th Hampsthwaite Bridge over the River Nidd. It was built in 1640 out of stone and has three segmental arches. The road is bounded by stone walls to both ends of the bridge. The low wall is continuous up to the lych gate, which has a carved mouse to show it was built by Robert Thompson the 'Mouseman' of Kilburn.



Low stone walls are used consistently throughout the centre of the village to enclose the small front gardens. The same type of walling is used on either side of Cockhill Beck for much of its route through the village, hence the watercourse is not obvious until one walks behind the Memorial Hall and across the old Packhorse Bridge, an Ancient Monument.

## **Section 1- Population**

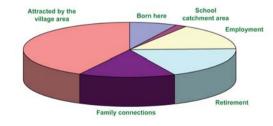
## **Section 1 - Population**

There are 441 properties and 805 adults over 18 on the Electoral Roll for Hampsthwaite. The percentage of people in each age group on the returned questionnaires was as follows 0 - 10 (10%), 11 - 17 (11%), 18 - 30 (14%), 31 - 60 (45%), 61 - 75 (32%) 76+ (27%).

The survey revealed a high degree of stability with 42% of people having lived in the village for more than 5 years and 35% in excess of 25 years.

When asked why people chose to live in Hampsthwaite their reasons were: rural location (52%), retirement (23%), convenience to the work location (19%), family connection (18%) and 9% of respondents were born here. Only 2% reside here to be within the school catchment area. Of those responding 47% thought that the quality of life in the village had remained the same during the time they had lived here. 25% believed it had changed for the better and 12% for the worse, 11% did not know. Appreciation was expressed for the community spirit in the village and the increase in social activities, improvements to the local shop and the thriving school.

### Q3: Why do you choose to live in Hampsthwaite?



An overwhelming enthusiasm was expressed by a majority of residents for the village environment and that of the surrounding area. It was strongly felt, however, that the village should retain its separate identity and not be swallowed up in the future as a suburb of Harrogate.



"a beautiful small village with a fantastic community spirit, located close to town yet surrounded by countryside – that is what makes Hampsthwaite unique"

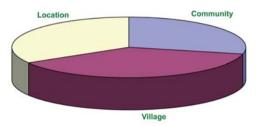
When asked how you would like to see Hampsthwaite develop, 64% of respondents want the village to remain as it is, 22% felt that it should be developed as a working community and 11% as a tourist centre.

With regard to building development, 39% of respondents would like to see low cost housing. 35% wanted no further building. 15% would support light industrial/workshop premises and 12% would be happy to see market value housing.



When asked more specifically about housing needs for local people, 71% of respondents had no objection in principle to a development of this kind although only 10% expressed an immediate need for alternative accommodation. When asked what type of alternative accommodation is needed, figures suggested that owner occupied would be preferred.

#### Q5: What is important about Hampsthwaite?



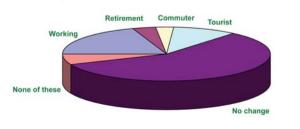
### "In order to stay a community more should be done to encourage local young people to stay"

## "There is a long-standing need for housing for first-time buyers"

63% of respondents would welcome the creation of further guidance for builders and developers. Comments received suggested that any future development should be sympathetic to the village environment

"The Parish Council should have more influence on planning decisions"

Q6: How would you like to see Hampsthwaite develop?





## Q7: What type(s) of further building development would you like to see?



### "It is vital to have a policy and to see it through"

In your comments there was general concern expressed that Hampsthwaite should remain a village and future development should not allow the village to become a suburb of Harrogate.

### **Action Points**

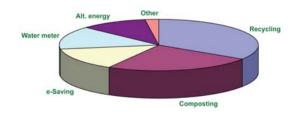
- Planning restrictions
- Guidance for builders and developers
- Support low cost housing for local people

A high proportion of the households that responded to the questionnaire have double glazing (90%), loft insulation (83%) lagged hot water tanks (70%) and low energy light bulbs (59%). The percentage of households with water meters and water butts is lower at 49% and 30% respectively. Less than 1% of properties have renewable energy sources such as solar panels. Interestingly only 35% of the respondents property have cavity wall insulation, this may be due to the method of construction.



The main area in the village, identified by over 50% of respondents as having a potential flooding problem is around the lower end of Church Lane, including the Churchyard and adjacent fields, down to the river bridge.

## Q13: How can Hampsthwaite help protect the environment?



In looking at ways in which Hampsthwaite as a community could help protect the environment, 62% of respondents were in favour of improved recycling and 44% were in favour of community composting, some support was also shown for energy saving (26%), water metering (26%) and alternative energy sources (20%). Many respondents



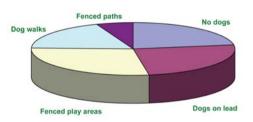
wanted recycling of plastic materials and segregated rubbish collections. Other suggestions included car sharing, wind turbines and solar roof panels. A comment was made "I suspect the village would respond well to recycling"

There was a considerable response to the questions relating to litter and dog fouling. The area identified as having the greatest litter problem is to the rear of the Memorial Hall, including the bus shelter, Cockhill Beck bridge and in the beck itself. Other areas of the village were identified but to a far lesser degree. The only suggestions to remedy the litter problems were additional or larger litter bins. However, there are two litter bins and the recycling centre within the area of greatest concern. Therefore other measures may need to be explored to address the litter problem eg. CCTV, signing and education through village groups.

Dog fouling on footpaths continues to be seen as a problem. 44% of respondents expressed a wish for additional litter/dog mess bins. However 25% of respondents felt that there was no need for additional bins. Several people commented that there were no specific 'dog mess' bins. Various sites around the village were suggested for the positioning of additional bins with the most popular suggestions being Church Lane/near Church, Brookfield, High Street, Cricket ground, Junction of Hollins Lane/West Lane, Bottom of Rowden Lane (near tyres) School, Hollins Lane and Village Green. Other suggestions for improving the situation included enforcing fines and free dog sacks provided by the council. "as we are responsible dog owners, it makes us very angry that others leave dog mess on footpaths & football field, because we all get branded as same"

43% of respondents felt that the play/sports area could be protected from dog fouling by fencing off the play area. 38% of respondents felt that dogs should be kept on a lead and 34% stated that there should be no access to the play area for dog walkers.

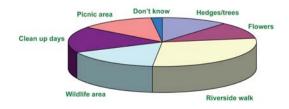
## Q16: How should we protect play areas from dog fouling



In response to the question whether the countryside around Hampsthwaite had changed in recent years an overwhelming majority (69%) said it had not changed or they didn't know. There were a number of negative comments mainly in respect of recent housing developments, but this must be put in context with the views of the majority and could be summed up with this quote "why would so many people want to live here if it was not so good"

Suggestions received for improving the environment around Hampsthwaite are shown below

## Q18: How can we improve the environment around Hampsthwaite?





From this graph it can be seen that a riverside walk (61%) (with a direct walk along the river to Birstwith being specifically mentioned), is a favoured improvement. Other specific suggestions included providing public toilets, landscaping Brookfield Green, improved bridge between sports field and cricket field across Cockhill Beck and opening up land adjacent to the Church/river for public use.

There was a low response to the question about causes of disturbance in the village with traffic noise seen to be the largest (20%). Light pollution was the second highest concern (11%) with the remainder at less than 10% each. Some concern was raised about the disturbance caused by the troops marching through the village. Speeding and traffic management also feature in the comments for this section. In any new development in the village the impact of traffic and light pollution should be high on the agenda.

### Action points

- Water management measures
- Renewable energy
- Improved recycling plastics, segregated waste
- Community composting
- Car sharing
- Addressing litter and dog fouling problems
- Creation of a riverside walk
- Traffic management and light pollution
- impact on new developments
- Improved liaison with Army Foundation College

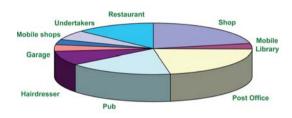
## Section 4 - Sports and Recreation

When asked if the local people would like to hear more about the Parish Councils decisions, 60% of respondents said yes and 19% said no. 34% of respondents had attended an Annual Parish Meeting.

### "Could the Parish Council news be published in the Parish Magazine as they do in Birstwith?"

We asked what shops and services you use in Hampsthwaite and below is a graph showing your responses.

## Q22: What shops and services do you use in Hampsthwaite?



When asked what additional shops and services you would like, a cash machine received many requests and other suggestions were local book/video/DVD exchange service, petrol pumps, lottery facilities, café or tearoom, greengrocers, farm shop, better recycling, butcher, mobile shops. But there was also a comment 'to keep the village a quiet area, rather than a suburb with lots of shopping outlets', and several people were 'satisfied with the services provided'.

When asked about the local postal services most people were satisfied, although some suggested improvements were: delivering to correct addresses, consistent and earlier deliveries, additional post boxes in Brookfield and on the outskirts of the village.

The village Post Office was commended for its excellent service. There were strong feelings against any possible closure.



In response to the question on service improvement, mobile phone reception (38%) TV signal reception (32%) recycling (23%), roads and public toilets provision each with (22%), litter bins (18%), and lighting (17%) elicited the most responses. Additional suggestions were also received regarding: improvement to clearance of grass cuttings on public spaces; more frequent emptying of bins; drainage on Church Lane; and period style lighting were requested.

57% of respondents had no opinion about using the facilities of Hampsthwaite School if they were made available. Internet access or use of the premises for evening classes was mentioned although another suggestion was that these could be carried out in the Village Room or Memorial Hall.

Additional comments received on the Public Services in Hampsthwaite included: provision of public toilets; speed restrictions; wheelie bins for recycling.

### Action points

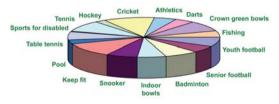
- Improve communication and public involvement in the actions and workings of the Parish Council
- Provision of Public Toilets
- Cash machine/facility
- TV reception
- Mobile phone reception
- Improved recycling
- Promote support of the Post Office & other local businesses to prevent closure

In this section we have looked at the main leisure areas where we can come together as a community. We have tried to explore where we are doing it well, where it can be improved, what age groups are catered for and if there are any sections of our community which feel excluded.

We asked about communication of events and you strongly favoured the use of notice boards, Post Office and Parish Magazine and occasional leaflet drops. Comments were made about the lack of the 'free paper'.

When questioned about sports activities you do or would support if they were available, the greatest responses were in favour of keep fit (19%), cricket (18%) and tennis (15%). Support was also shown for crown green bowls(14%), Badminton (12%), table tennis (11%) and senior football and fishing (both with 9%). You also suggested yoga.

Q28: Which sports activities do you or would you support?



We also asked about the range of clubs and activities you do or would support if provided. The greatest support was in favour of a gardening club (19%), creative arts and rambling each with (16%), computing and book club each with (13%), drama and seniors group each with (11%) guides/scouts and University of the Third Age each with (8%). Support was also shown for the youth club, choir, band, bridge club, Village Society, Sunday School, Women's Institute, Mothers Union, Wednesday Group, Young Wives and bell ringing. Other suggestions made included dancing, luncheon club, men's forum, modelling and music appreciation. In a later question about additional education and training opportunities 109 respondents said they would be interested in evening classes and the most popular choices were: Computing (29 respondents), Gardening (25), Languages (23), Art (15) and Antique Restoration (13). Interest was also shown in Cookery, Food Hygiene, First aid, Yoga and Dancing.



Of the 51 children under the age of 16 accounted for within this survey, 12 experience difficulty in participating in activities after school, mainly due to timing and lack of transport.

8% of respondents identified a need for nursery places and 6% for childminders. 14% responded to the need for after school and holiday clubs for children and 25% for adult evening classes.

Your responses to the play area were varied and interesting. Most people think it should be well equipped with a wide range of play elements, litter bins and seats for parents/carers. You thought that the remainder of the recreation area could be used for village events, picnics, bowls and tennis. Other suggestions included: rounders, monthly village games and skateboarding.

## Section 5 - Roads and Transport

The question which encouraged a great deal of response was how to ensure the new play area becomes established as an asset to the whole village. Again the necessity for seating, bins and picnic areas were strongly mentioned. Many suggested involving the young people of the village in the care and management of their play area with regular monitoring. Some were concerned about the possibility of teenagers hanging around this area but many others suggested there should be a youth shelter for the teenagers so that the play area is for all age groups.



The most strongly supported events in the village are the Feast (68%), Christmas Market (60%) and Show (54%). The Tug o War (37%), Britain in Bloom (33%) and Carol singing (25%) also received good support. There were many compliments for all village events and the main suggestions for improvement were to merge the feast and show and to improve publicity for the winter events.



When asked should Hampsthwaite be twinned with a place in another country: 13% of respondents said - yes; 35% said - no and 41% said - don't know.



### **General Comments**

There was some concern expressed at the loss of the football field and hopes that in the future, considering the strength of the junior football that representation will be made to resume senior football in Hampsthwaite.

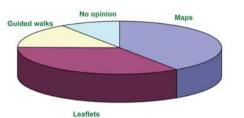
## Action points

- Communication of events
- Provision of additional sports facilities eg; tennis courts, crown green bowling, badminton, table tennis
- Provision of new clubs/activities eg; keep fit, computing, gardening, art, languages
- Investigate access to after school activities
- Investigate early years provision eg nursery/childminders/holiday clubs
- Consider youth involvement in future
   management of the play area
- Ensure play equipment suitable for all ages
- Ensure adequate provision of seats and litter bins in play area
- Consider merging show and feast

In this section we wanted to find out if you had any problems in using the local footpaths, bus services and parking. We also asked about traffic concerns, street lighting and car sharing.

Local footpaths and bridleways appear to be known by 65% of respondents and 47% use them without difficulty. Residents were evenly divided as to whether or not the paths are well signposted. Some difficulties experienced in using paths were primarily due to their muddy state, impeding bushes or the presence of livestock.

## Q41: What information would you like to see in relation to footpaths?



61% and 52% respectively of respondents would support the provision of maps and leaflets for footpaths and walks in our area. 23% were in favour of the creation of guided walks.

Of those who had an opinion on the adequacy of the bus service 22% would like an improvement in the time-table and 16% in the fares charged. Although the number of responses to this question was modest, those who are affected may be seriously disadvantaged by issues such as disabled access/ routes / siting of stops, etc. and review of these issues may be required.



When asked about speeding traffic, 59% of respondents perceived a problem affecting almost every road in the village.



When asked about paths and street lights 21% of respondents wanted more street lighting; however other residents see increased lighting as "spoiling the village environment". 15% were in favour of dropped kerbs and 14% additional cycle paths. 3% would like to see safety barriers. 81% of respondents do not have problems parking their vehicles at their homes. Those who do have problems cited: house owners neglecting to use their own drives; households with multiple vehicles; thoughtless/inconsiderate parking; obstruction of garages, drives and pavements. Limited interest was expressed in a scheme to share private vehicles.

### Action points

- Review of speed limits and traffic calming measures
- Assess lack of parking restrictions at key points
- Review footpath signage with footpaths officer
- Investigate possible production of maps and leaflets of local walks
- Review of street lighting provision
- Promote car share scheme environmental policy

## Section 7 - Crime and Policing

This section covered special needs of members of our community.

17% of respondents had a family member registered as disabled but only half of these said they had any special problem in the village. The main concern was the lack of dropped kerbs at junctions.

When asked if there were any difficulties in using medical services 5% of respondents had problems accessing the doctor, 4% dentist, 3% optician and 2% chiropodist and chemist. It appears from responses that the main problem is transport, particularly for visiting the dentist, optician and chiropody as these services can only be found away from the village.



There was also some concern raised at the limited appointment times for those registered with the Doctors in the village.

14% of respondents receive assistance at home with gardening, 13% with shopping, 10% with odd jobs, 8% with housework, and others with cooking and personal care.

When asked about the need for a good neighbour scheme in the village, the answers were very mixed, 33% of respondents said yes, 8% said no and 36% had no opinion. 13% of respondents said they would use a voluntary car share scheme as a passenger and 11% as a driver.

Very few respondents receive support services from outside agencies, those that do feel these are adequate for their needs.

It was pointed out in the comments section that the church and village society run a car scheme to doctors and hospital appointments and also that in some areas a good neighbour scheme already exists.

## Action Points

• Investigate provision of further dropped kerbs, taking advice from local Access Group.

- Explore possibility of increasing the provision of services by the Doctors surgery.
- Promote established car scheme.
- Research need for good neighbour scheme

In this section we wanted to find out if you have any concerns about crime and policing. When asked if you were aware of any Neighbourhood watch schemes, 37% of respondents said they did not know, 33% said yes and 26% said no.

When asked what measures you felt were needed to maintain order in the village 48% of respondents felt that more activities should be provided for young people. 35% felt that a greater police presence was needed and 22% felt that there should be better consultation between police and locals; 21% wanted a Neighbourhood Watch and 20% improved street lighting.



On the whole you feel that the village is a safe place to be. One resident said "At present very fortunate to have a good team of local Bobbies in our village at the police office and good communication with them so its just a case of keep up the good work and look out for your neighbours which on the whole we do."

### Action Points

- Youth activities
- Police presence
- Consultation
- Neighbourhood Watch
- Street lighting

### Community Policing Update



Meetings between the police and Hampsthwaite community groups have been taking place through the summer, and once again we were supported well by the Neighbourhood Policing Team Officers at some of the village events. Many of you will have also seen the extra officers on foot or cycle patrol or on speed enforcement duties in various areas in the village. Please make yourself known to them. The planning process to promote and build new Neighbourhood Watch schemes has already begun.

If you have difficulty getting out and wish to speak with an officer, telephone 0845 6060 247 and ask the Neighbourhood Policing Team to make an appointment to call. Messages can be left with call centre staff when officers are out on patrol.

"Through Neighbourhood Policing I am determined that we will have the right people in the right places in the right numbers to create neighbourhoods that not only are safe, but most importantly feel safe"

Chief Constable Della Cannings, North Yorkshire Police

### Hampsthwaite Community Survey

The Hampsthwaite Community Survey, conducted by Hampsthwaite Associates in April 2004, was delivered to every household and 180 responses were returned. This was considered "an extremely high response rate given the size of the village". The sample reflected a similar skew towards an older population as shown in the Village Plan Survey and 59% of the returns were from households where at least one resident is retired.

In response to a question on participation in sports and activities, the most popular was Walking followed by Snooker, Football, Keep-fit, and Cricket with 51% choosing not to express a view. Later questions identified Tennis and Bowls and stressed the need for a Children's Play Area plus something for Teenagers. When asked to choose from suggestions made by a previous Focus Group, respondents reinforced this by stating that a Youth Club and Play Area were the most needed additional facilities.

The Village Plan survey from a wider sample noted similarly that Football, Keep-fit, Cricket, Rambling, Tennis and Bowls are the activities respondents would support most. A clear need is expressed also for a Gardening Club, Creative Arts, Computing and a Book Club.

In this survey, the most popular village activities were shown to be the Village Society, Wednesday Group, Women's Institute, and Annual Feast whereas the Feast and Show plus the Village Society organised events of the Christmas Market and Village in Bloom are amongst the most supported from the Village Plan survey.

Most respondents felt they know what is available, citing Notice Board, Parish Magazine, Post Office and Village Pump, as good sources of information and this view is mirrored in the Village Plan survey. The Hampsthwaite Community Survey noted with interest, that about half the households responding had Internet access and 37% would look to a Hampsthwaite web site for information.

### **Housing Needs Survey**

For this survey, conducted by the Rural Housing Trust in March 2006, forms were distributed to every household in Hampsthwaite and a total of 198 completed or partially completed forms were returned representing a 40% sample. This was considered a very good response since the average response is 25%

Hampsthwaite has just 7 houses and 10 bungalows rented from the Local Authority and only one of these has become vacant since 2004. In addition, the Home Housing Association manages 4 houses for rent, or discounted ownership, but none had become available during the year preceding the survey. A little over two thirds of respondents had lived in the village for more than 10 years.

Over three quarters of respondents stated they would support an affordable housing scheme for local people - and young people in particular. This is confirmed by the Village Plan survey finding that 71% would have no objection to new housing for local people.

The Housing Needs Survey identified 44 households reporting they cannot satisfy their housing needs on the open market. Based on this finding, the Rural Housing Trust recommended a local needs housing scheme of 10 to 12 two and three bedroom dwellings to go part way towards addressing this need.

### Section 1 - Population

- Q1 Most of the 258 respondents were in the 31 60 age group (115)
- Q2 Stable community with 35% of respondents have lived in the village more than 25 years.
- Q3 Most live here because of the rural location.
- Q4 Most thought the quality of life in Hampsthwaite had either stayed the same or improved and cited community spirit in the village and increase in social activities as reasons.
- Q5 The community, the village environment and its location were supported equally as being important
- **Q6** The majority wish Hampsthwaite to stay as it is.
- Q7 Most respondents want either no further building development or have it restricted to low cost housing.
- Q8 A majority of those who responded would not object to housing for young people ...
- Q9 ... and most who responded to this question, want owner occupation.
- Q10 A majority of those questioned think there should be more guidance for builders.

### Section 2 - Environment

Q11 A high proportion of the households that responded have double-glazing, loft insulation, lagged hot water tank and low energy light bulbs. About half have water meters.

- Q12 A majority are aware of areas in the village with potential flooding problems and identify the lower end of Church Lane, including the Churchyard and adjacent fields down to the river bridge.
- Q13 Most who responded approve of recycling and community composting came well ahead of energy saving, water metering and alternative energy sources. Recycling of plastic materials and segregated rubbish collections were cited as ways to improve.
- Q14 Litter is identified as a problem in Cockhill Beck, the bus shelter, grass verges and especially behind Memorial Hall. Measures suggested to address the litter problem included CCTV, improved signing, and education through village groups.
- Q15 There is a need for additional or larger litter/dog mess bins suggestions included: Church Lane/near Church, Brookfield, High Street, Cricket ground, Junction of Hollins Lane/West Lane, Bottom of Rowden Lane near tyres, School, Hollins Lane, and Village Green.
- Q16 Many want the new play area fenced off to prevent dog fouling. There is some representation equally split between 'no dogs' and 'dogs on leads' in the play area.
- Q17 The majority say there has been no change in the surrounding countryside.
- Q18 A riverside walk (with a direct walk along the river to Birstwith being specifically mentioned) is a favoured improvement for the environment.
- Q19 Traffic noise is seen to be the biggest cause of disturbance with light pollution the second highest concern

## Summary of findings

### Section 3 – Public services

- Q20 A majority want more information about the work of the Parish Council...
- Q21 ... but most have not attended an Annual Parish Meeting.
- Q22 The Shop, Post Office, Pub and Restaurant are the most used services with a strong showing also for the Hairdressers.
- Q23 The most popular additional service requested was for a cash machine (or business that provides cash back) - there was also some regret expressed regarding the absence of a petrol service, butcher and baker - but more mobile shops are suggested.
- Q24 The village Post Office was commended for its excellent service and strong feelings were expressed against any possible closure.
- Q25 TV and mobile phone reception are seen to be the biggest problem. Other services which could be improved are recycling, public toilets, road repairs and street lighting.
- Q26 Few expressed any opinion regarding use by the community of facilities at the School. Of those that did, Internet access and evening classes were given as options to consider.

### Section 4 – Sports and recreation

- Q27 The village Notice Boards, Parish Magazine and the Post Office are cited as the most effective place to publicise events and activities.
- Q28 If and where already offered, cricket and keep-fit are the activities respondents would support, with tennis, bowls and football also popular.

- Q29 A clear need is expressed for a gardening club, followed by creative arts with rambling, computing and a book club also gaining support.
- Q30 Evening is the most popular time for any activities or events but afternoons and mornings are not without some support.
- Q31 Timing and lack of transport were given as barriers to children attending after school activities.
- Q32 Slightly more than half responded to this question and expressed the greatest need as being that for adult education
- Q33 Art, computing, gardening and antiques are given as the most popular topics for additional education and training opportunities.
- Q34 Regarding play area equipment: swings, slides, climbing frame, see-saw and roundabout each attracted support from over half of those responding. This was closely followed by almost half supporting the need for a sports wall and a shelter.
- Q35 Suggestions for other use for the play area were mixed but included: picnicking and whole village activities, football, bowls, tennis and a skate park.
- Q36 To ensure the play area becomes established as an asset for the whole village good maintenance and supervision, seating and organised activities are suggested.
- Q37 Feast, Christmas Market, Show, Tug 'o' War and Village in Bloom are the most supported village events.
- Q38 There is little support for twinning Hampsthwaite with another village.

### Section 5 - Roads and transport

- Q39 Most know where footpaths are and can use them but many think better signage and information is needed.
- Q40 Mud, bushes and livestock are cited as the greatest problems regarding use of footpaths.
- Q41 There is good support for the provision of maps and leaflets of local walks
- Q42 Most had no opinion regarding the local bus service but those that did cited timetable and charges as the areas for improvement.
- Q43 A good majority of respondents to this popular question identified speeding traffic as a concern.
- Q44 There is some support for improved street lighting, cycle paths, dropped kerbs and more footpaths.
- Q45 Few stated they had any car parking problems at their home.
- Q46 Limited interest was expressed in car-sharing schemes.

### Section 6 - Health and social care

- Q47 17% of respondents stated a family member was registered disabled.
- Q48 Less than a third of the low response to this question thought that disabled access was a problem but there was some concern regarding lack of dropped kerbs and badly parked cars.
- Q49 Access to doctors and a dentist were given as the most problematic - it seems because of opening times or a lack of some services locally.

- Q50 Help with gardening and shopping are the area where most help is provided.
- Q51 There was mixed response to the provision of a 'Good Neighbour' scheme in Hampsthwaite.
- Q52 A low response but those who did would participate in voluntary car scheme as either driver or passenger.
- Q53 Lunch clubs are the most popular of the services provided.

### Section 7 - Crime and Policing

- Q55 About a third know they are in a Neighbourhood Watch scheme but over a third don't know if they are or not.
- Q56 A greater police presence and more activities for young people are offered as the measures needed to reduce crime and disorder.

### And Finally

Two thirds of respondents wish to have their own copy of the final report.

A shortened version of each question is given in the statistics section and the full questionnaire can be seen on the Hampsthwaite community website at: www.hampsthwaite.org.uk

## Plan of agreed actions

Hampsthwaite Parish Council accepts and endorses the proposals set out in this Action Plan and will make best endeavours to elicit the support of groups in the community to realise them. To this end, the Council undertakes to set up a Village Plan Implementation Group and to receive reports from this new group at each Parish Council meeting until such time as all actions are either completed or deemed no longer to be relevant during the course of a review. Reviews will be undertaken within three years of publication of a Plan at times advised by the Parish Council.

Issue:	Situation:	Action(s) required:	Timing:	Success criteria:		
Section 1 - Po	opulation					
Housing development	A shortage of affordable homes for local people	<ul> <li>Support the Rural Housing Trust report</li> <li>Seek to clarify plans with HBC</li> </ul>	Immediate	10 to 12 new affordable properties for local people		
Guidance for builders and developers	Lack of advice for local builders	<ul> <li>Investigate requirements and produce guidance notes to help builders, developers and planners when considering changes to Hampsthwaite.</li> </ul>	Summer 2007	Guidance produced and available to all		
Section 2 - Er	nvironment					
Recycling	Bottle Bank at Memorial Hall plus kerbside scheme for paper, bottles and cans.	<ul> <li>Petition HBC to develop more kerbside recycling</li> <li>Retain and improve Memorial hall facility (e.g. improve signage and access)</li> <li>Explore possibility of a communal compost area</li> <li>Explore bulk purchase of composting bins and water butts</li> <li>Access HBC renewable energy incentives</li> </ul>	Immediate	<ul> <li>Kerbside recycling extended (e.g. to include green waste and plastics)</li> <li>New signs in place</li> <li>Improved screening</li> <li>Communal compost established</li> <li>Bulk purchase of compost and water butts organised</li> </ul>		
Litter and dog fouling	Too few litter bins and a variety of anti- dog fouling signs ignored	<ul> <li>Survey need for additional litter/dog mess bins and petition HBC to have them installed</li> <li>Survey current proliferation of dog fouling signs and rationalise and publicise.</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>More litter/dog mess bins at more convenient locations</li> <li>Dog fouling fines standardised, publicised and penalties imposed</li> </ul>		
Riverside walk	Village has little or no direct access to river bank	<ul> <li>Identify relevant land owners and seek to negotiate access</li> </ul>	Summer 2007	Residents able to walk freely along river without causing concern to neighbouring land owners		
Section 3 – P	ublic services					
Better communication	Parish Council Minutes posted on notice boards	<ul> <li>Seek ways to produce a summary of Parish Council Minutes and make generally available.</li> <li>Explore creation of a village newsletter</li> <li>Further develop web site</li> <li>Improve liaison with Army Foundation College</li> </ul>	Spring 2007	<ul> <li>Majority of residents more aware of Parish Council proceedings and all Village events</li> <li>Army Foundation College more aware of concerns</li> </ul>		
Cash facility	Cash ATM available at the Post Office and cash-back is available at the Joiners Arms	<ul> <li>Publicise existing facilities</li> <li>Petition the use of the existing Post Office cash service by a wider range of banks</li> </ul>	Immediate	<ul> <li>All informed of current availability and local traders encouraged to participate</li> </ul>		
Improved reception	Poor reception for mobile phone and some TV channels	<ul> <li>Analyse reception difficulties</li> <li>Petition suppliers</li> <li>Advise on network coverage</li> </ul>	Early 2007	<ul> <li>Improved reception</li> <li>Residents better informed</li> </ul>		

Issue:	Situation:	Action(s) required:	Timing:	Success criteria:		
Section 4 – S	ports and recre	ation				
Recreational & educational facilities	Programme of activities in Memorial Hall, Village Room and sports fields	<ul> <li>Identify possible providers for a wider range (e.g. antiques, gardening, computing)</li> <li>Investigate possible provision of additional sports facilities (e.g. tennis, bowls, senior soccer)</li> </ul>	Summer 2007 to start new programme in autumn 2007	Provision for additional sports facilities		
Playground	No village play area at the time of the survey	<ul> <li>Secure lease for land, create bridge access and agree on equipment.</li> <li>Install seating, signage and bins</li> <li>Promote responsible use</li> <li>Involve all users in play area management</li> </ul>	Immediate	<ul> <li>Play area in use by whole village, safe for children and free of litter or dog mess</li> </ul>		
Section 5 - Ro	oads and trans	port				
Local walks	<ul> <li>Good range of local footpaths but some not well signed.</li> <li>Publicise maps of all local footpaths</li> <li>Produce information leaflets</li> <li>Survey footpath signage and make recommendations.</li> <li>Petition NYCC to ensure maintenance plus organise volunteers as required</li> </ul>			<ul> <li>All local footpaths well maintained and well signposted</li> <li>Leaflets available for residents and visiting walkers</li> </ul>		
Road safety	A variety of speed limits – most regularly breached and some poor parking	riety of • Review speed limits ed limits – • Consider a 'whole village' approach ched and • Investigate traffic calming measures		<ul> <li>Rationalized speed limits for the whole village</li> <li>Speed restrictions enforced</li> <li>Recommendations made on traffic calming and parking measures</li> </ul>		
Street lighting	Some unlit areas and others with light pollution	<ul> <li>Liaise with HBC and survey lighting in village.</li> <li>Identify non-polluting designs.</li> <li>Petition HBC to add/replace lights as needed and in appropriate styles</li> </ul>	Winter 2007	<ul> <li>Village more appropriately illuminated</li> </ul>		
Section 6 - He	ealth and social	care				
surgery and car surgery t sharing services		Promote established car sharing	Spring 2007 onwards	<ul> <li>Residents more able to make appointments as needed.</li> <li>More use of car sharing</li> </ul>		
Section 7 - Cr	ime and Polici	ng				
Neighbourhood Watch	One third of residents aware they are part of a scheme	<ul> <li>Re-launch Neighbourhood Watch scheme via meetings and promotional literature</li> <li>Promote on web site</li> <li>Investigate possible installation of CCTV</li> </ul>	Immediate	All residents aware of Neighborhood Watch scheme Network of contact points established		

# **General Statistics** total number of households returning questionnaires = 258

Number of responses for each question given in green and, where possible, the percentage of total responses this represents is given in parenthesis in (red%) – some questions allowed multiple responses and therefore no percentage is given for the total.

349 Q2 258 (100%) Q3 309 Q4 239 (93%) Q5 481 Q6	Numbers in household in each age group? How long living in Hampsthwaite? Reasons for living in Hampsthwaite?	0-10 25 (10% <1yr	)	11-17 26 (11%)	18-3		31-60	61-75		76+
258 (100%) Q3 309 Q4 239 (93%) Q5 481 Q6	Hampsthwaite? Reasons for living in				34 (14	%) 1	15 (45%)	80 (32%	6) 6	9 (27%)
309 Q4 239 (93%) Q5 481 Q6		12 (5%)		1-5yrs 55 (22%)	6-15 55 (22		16-25 50 (20%)	26-50 62 (25%		50+yrs 4 (10%)
239 (93%) Q5 481 Q6		Born 23 (9%)		hool (2%)	Work 47 (19%)	Retired 57 (23%)	Family 44 (18%		rea (52%)	Other 0 (0%)
481 Q6	Has the quality of life changed?		tter 25%)		Worse 30 (12%)		Same 119 (47%)	)	Don't   28 (1	
	What is most important about Hampsthwaite		Communi 139 (54%			Environme 182 (71%			Location 160 (63%)	
	How should Hampsthwaite develop?	Working 55 (22%		Retirement 10 (4%)	Commi 7 (3%		Tourist 27 (11%)	Stay as 164 (649		None 18 (7%)
27 278	What further building development?	Low cost 100 (39%		Market 29 (12%)	Busine 23 (99		Industrial 38 (15%)	None 88 (35%	ó)	Other 0 (0%)
Q8 243 (95%)	Any objection to housing for local people?	Ye 36 (14		182	No 2 (71%)	Don't know 25 (10%)	/			
Q9 240 (94%)	Any household member in need of housing?	Ye 25 (11		215	No 5 (84%)					
Q9a 91	What type of housing do they need?	L.A. rent 12 (5%)	t	H.A. rent 10 (4%)	Owne 38 (15		Shared 12 (5%)	Adapte 8 (4%)		heltered 11 (5%)
Q10 228 (89%)	Should there be more guidance for builders?	Ye 162 (6		22	No 2 (9%)	Don't know 44 (18%)	/			
Section	2 - Environment									
Q11 1066	Any energy saving features?	Lagged 179 (70%)	Loft 212 (83%	Glazing ) 231 (90%		Water but 76 (30%)	t Meter 125 (49%)	Bulbs 151 (59%)	Solar 2 (1%)	None 0 (0%)
212 240 (94%)	Are there areas where flooding is a problem?	Yes 147 (57%)	No 93 (37%)	Where? Beckett W	/alk, near chu	rch, on road	d near bridge,	end of Broo	kfield	
Q13 458	How can we help protect the environment?	Recycline 158 (62%		Composting	Energy s 66 (26		ater meter 65 (26%)	Alt. Ener 50 (20%		Other 8 (4%)
Q14 108 (42%)	Where is litter a problem?	Places? Cockhill Becl	k , near ri	ver, rear of l	Memorial Hal	l, bus shelte	r, C.C. car pa	rk, grass ve	rges, Chair	Bar Lane
Q15 176 (69%)	Do we need extra litter/dog mess bins?	Yes 112 (44%)	No 64 (25%)				Lane, Brookfie ns Lane, Birstv			
Q16 387	How to protect play area from dog fouling?	No acces 86 (34%		ogs on lead 97 (38%)	Fenced pla 109 (43		gnated walks 72 (28%)	Fenced off   23 (9%		Other 0 (0%)
Q17 240 (94%)	Has countryside changed?	Better 25 (10%)	Worse 40 (16%)	Same 124 (49%)			ged? new hou sive farming,			
Q18 532	What can be done to improve the environment?	Plant hedge 61 (24%)			verside walk 157 (61%)	Wildlife are 87 (34%)	as Clean-up o 92 (36%		careas [ 27%)	Don't know 10 (4%)
Q19 169	Any causes of disturbance?	Traffic 51 (20%)	Revellers 22 (9%)	B Hunting 9 (4%)	Aircraft 19 (8%)	Military 13 (6%)	Noise 9 (4%)	Light 28 (11%)	Smoke 14 (6%)	Other 0 (0%)
Section	3 – Public services									
	Is more information about the Parish Council needed?	Yes 154 (6			No (19%)	Don't know 28 (11%)	/			
Q21 247 (96%)	Have you attended a Parish Council meeting?	Yes 87 (34			No (63%)					
Q22 1107	What local services and shops do you use?	Shop 241 (94%)	Library 41 (16%)	Post office 244 (95%)			er Garage M 49 (19%)			. Restauran 142 (56%)
	What additional shops and services would you like to see?						farm shop/ma hips, internet,			
327.532	Comments on the postal service:	Ye	S		No	How to imp	prove the serv	ice?		
224 698	<ul> <li>post boxes in best places?</li> <li>problems with mail delivery?</li> <li>collection times meet needs?</li> </ul>	229 (8 49 (1) 216 (8	9%)	182	(4%) 2 (71%) 3 (6%)		veries, additio Iollins Hall, en aite			
	Which following services need improvement?	Water 4 (2%) Emergency	Gas 7 (3%)	Electric 16 (7%) I Radio		Refuse 8 (4%)		Public WC 56 (22%) Litter bins	26 (11%)	29 (12%)
	Should Hampsthwaite school	8 (4%) Yes	82 (32%) No	) 37 (15%)	) 56 (22%)	41 (16%)	57 (23%) Internet acce	44 (18%)	25 (10%)	97 (38%)

Q27	Where to publicise events in	Noticeboard Parish mag. Free paper Local paper P. Office Library V. Pump Web site Other
779	Hampsthwaite?	189 (74%) 138 (54%) 60 (24%) 83 (33%) 144 (56%) 10 (4%) 97 (38%) 58 (23%) 15 (6
Q28	Which sports or activities do	Youth soccer Snr. Soccer Badminton Indoor bowls Snooker Keep fit Pool Table Ten 33 (13%) 21 (9%) 29 (12%) 24 (10%) 28 (11%) 49 (19%) 13 (6%) 28 (11%
412	you, or would you, support?	Disabled Tennis Hockey Cricket Athletics/jog Darts Crown bowls Fishing
		1 (1%) 37 (15%) 8 (4%) 46 (18%) 20 (8%) 17 (7%) 36 (14%) 22 (9%
Q29	Which clubs or activities do you,	Seniors group         Bridge club         U3A         Drama         Guides/scouts         Rambling         Youth clu           28 (11%)         8 (4%)         20 (8%)         26 (11%)         19 (8%)         39 (16%)         18 (7%)
345	or would you, support if offered?	
		17 (7%) 41 (16%) 31 (13%) 17 (7%) 33 (13%) 48 (19%) Mens forum, modelling, music
Q30 266	Would you be able to participate?	Morning         Afternoon         Evening           60 (24%)         79 (31%)         127 (50%)
Q31	Reasons why any under-16s	No transport Timing Too distant Expense Special needs
12	are unable to participate?	5 (2%) 5 (2%) 1 (1%) 0 (0%) 1 (1%)
Q32 164	What education facilities are needed?	Nursery 20 (8%)         More childminders         After school clubs         Holiday play scheme         Evening classe           20 (8%)         14 (6%)         32 (13%)         34 (14%)         64 (25%)
Q33	Would you be interested in	Yes No What? Antique collecting/restoration, art, music, I.T., gardening, MFL, local hist
	additional education or training?	
Q34 825	What equipment for play area?	Swing         Slide         Climbing         See-saw         R'ndabout         Sports wall         Shetter         Tbl tennis         Othe           144 (56%)         136 (53%)         121 (47%)         106 (42%)         103 (40%)         79 (31%)         80 (32%)         56 (22%)         27 (11%)
Q35 53 (21%)	What else can play area be used for?	Suggestions: netball, kite flying, tennis, basket ball, birthday parties, picnics, Boule, bowling green, croqu putting green, nature study, rounders, village sports and events, skate park, cycle track.
Q36		Suggestions: establish a monitoring/management/development regime, good supervision, wild life walk
68 (27%)	for all?	around, CCTV, seating, picnic tables, shelter, involve children and parents, good signage.
Q37	Which whole village events do	Feast Xmas market New Year Valentine Tug-o-war Show Carols Xmas dance In bloo 173 (68%) 153 (60%) 39 (16%) 21 (9%) 93 (37%) 138 (54%) 63 (25%) 27 (11%) 85 (33%)
792 Q38	you support? Should Hampsthwaite be	173 (68%)         153 (60%)         39 (16%)         21 (9%)         93 (37%)         138 (54%) 63 (25%)         27 (11%)         85 (33')           Yes         No         No opinion
225 (88%)		33 (13%) 88 (35%) 104 (41%)
Section	5 - Roads and transpo	ort
	Regarding local footpaths:	Yes No
Q39 591	<ul> <li>do you know where they are?</li> <li>can you use them OK?</li> </ul>	167 (65%) 55 (22%) 119 (47%) 63 (25%)
331	<ul> <li>are they well signposted?</li> </ul>	93 (37%) 94 (37%)
ente		Farm animals High styles Locked gates Barbed wire Mud/water Crops on pa
Q40 373	What difficulties have you had	40 (16%) 30 (12%) 24 (10%) 20 (8%) 56 (22%) 25 (10%)
313	using footpaths?	Other users         Bushes/nettles         No signposts         No dog flaps         No difficulty         Other           1 (1%)         53 (21%)         55 (22%)         35 (14%)         34 (14%)         0 (0%)
Q41	What would you like to see in	Maps of local paths Leaflets on walks Guided walks No opinion
383 Q42	relation to footpaths? Improvements would you like to	157(61%)         133 (52%)         58 (23%)         35 (14%)           Routes         Timetable         Cost         Reliability         Bus stops         Disabled         No opinio
248	see to local bus services?	<u>19 (8%)</u> <u>56 (22%)</u> <u>40 (16%)</u> <u>10 (4%)</u> <u>6 (3%)</u> <u>22 (9%)</u> <u>95 (37%)</u>
Q43 235 (92%)	Do you think speeding is a problem in Hampsthwaite?	Yes No No opinion Where? A59 esp. junctions, Hollins Lane, Church Lane, all roa 152 (59%) 57 (23%) 26 (11%) into village, Dale Close, Brookfield, High St.
Q44	What improvements to paths	Cycle paths More paths Safety Barriers Street lighting Dropped kerbs Other
160	and streetlights are needed?	36 (14%) 28 (11%) 7 (3%) 52 (21%) 37 (15%) 0 (0%)
Q45 223 (87%)	Do you experience parking problems at home?	Yes No How? Cars parked outside church and chapel during services, Hollins Close 41 (16%) 182 (71%) Brookfield Crescent, o/s doctors and Lonsdale, more car parks needed.
Q46	Journeys you would be	Shopping School Social or leisure Work
44	prepared to consider car share?	17 (7%) 5 (2%) 15 (6%) 7 (3%)
Section	6 - Health and social	care
Q47	Are any in the household	Yes No
	registered disabled?	42 (17%) 197 (77%)
Q48 72 (28%)	Are their any problems for the disabled?	Yes No What? Brookfield needs dropped kerbs, cars parked on 21 (9%) 51 (20%) paths, no footpath, Hollins Lane, no pedestrian crossing
Q49	Do you have difficulty visiting	Doctor Chemist Chiropodist Optician Dentist Other Why? Fewer appointments/hours, no car
40	any of the following?	11 (5%) 3 (2%) 5 (2%) 6 (3%) 10 (4%) 5 (2%) none local, house bound
Q50 129	Do you receive help for any of the following?	Personal care         Shopping         Cooking         Housework         Gardening         Odd jobs           11 (5%)         31 (13%)         8 (4%)         19 (8%)         36 (14%)         24 (10%)
Q51	Is a 'Good Neighbour' scheme	Yes No Don't know
195 (76%)		85 (33%) 19 (8%) 91 (36%)
	Would you use a voluntary car service?	As a passenger As a driver 32 (13%) 27 (11%)
Q53	Do you receive or attend any of	Meals on wheels Home care Lunch clubs Day care Respite care
20 Q54	the following services? Is the service provided	3 (2%) 5 (2%) 11 (5%) 1 (1%) 0 (0%) Yes No
	adequate for your needs?	25 (10%) 2 (1%)
Section	7 - Crime and policing	g
Q55	Is your home in a	Yes No Don't know
244 (95%)	Neighbourhood Watch scheme?	
Q56	Which of the following	Presence Consult'tn N'hood Watch Lighting Education Activities CCTV Prevention Othe

## Acknowledgments

## Hampsthwaite Organisations, Groups & Societies

The Hampsthwaite Parish Plan is the result of a meeting initiated by the Parish Council in July 2005 at which representatives from village groups were invited to participate. Guidance, support and funding was provided by the Yorkshire Rural Community Council represented by Jo Buffey, the Development Officer for North Yorkshire.

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Writing Course		and Societies	Beavers
Writing Group	Bill Atkinson		Brownies
			Hampsthwaite Players
			Hampsthwaite Village Society
			Mothers' Union
			Mother and Toddler group
			Parent Teacher Association
			Village Show
Additional support from	Claire Curry		Wednesday Fellowship Network
	Clive Francis		
			Wednesday Group
			Women's Institute
			Young Farmers
			Young Wives
		Places of Worship	Church of St Thomas à Becket
	•		Methodist Church
		Recreations	Bridge Club
			Cricket Club
	Angela Oakley		Football Club
	Peter Osler		Indoor Bowling Club
	Sara Payne		Junior Football Club
			Keep Fit
			Old Time & Modern
	Parish Council		Sequence Dancing
Additional photos from	Simon Carlton		Snooker Club
Additional photos from			Socatots
			Tennis Club
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