

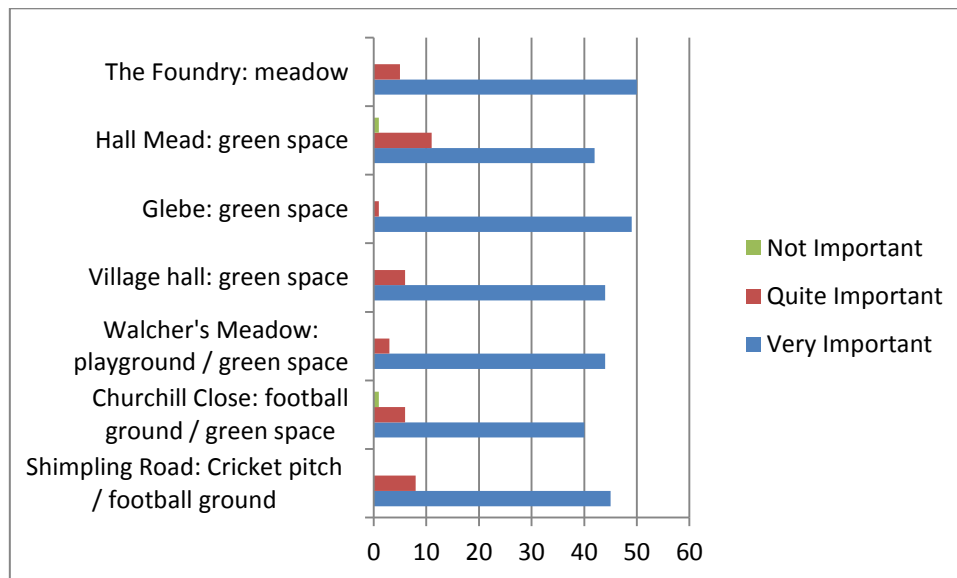
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**NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SECOND COMMUNITY CONSULTATION:
RESULTS SUMMARY**

This document contains results from Lawshall’s Neighbourhood Plan Community Consultation Event held at Lawshall village hall on 16th July 2016, and from the ‘e-consultation’ form made available at the same time. The event was attended by 103 adults and 3 children. 5 people completed and returned e-consultation forms. If you have any comments you’d like to share, please don’t hesitate to contact Tom and Laura McClelland on 07940085394, or at themcclellands1@gmail.com.

A) Open Spaces

Participants were asked to identify how important particular open spaces in the village are, and were allowed to add any further open spaces.



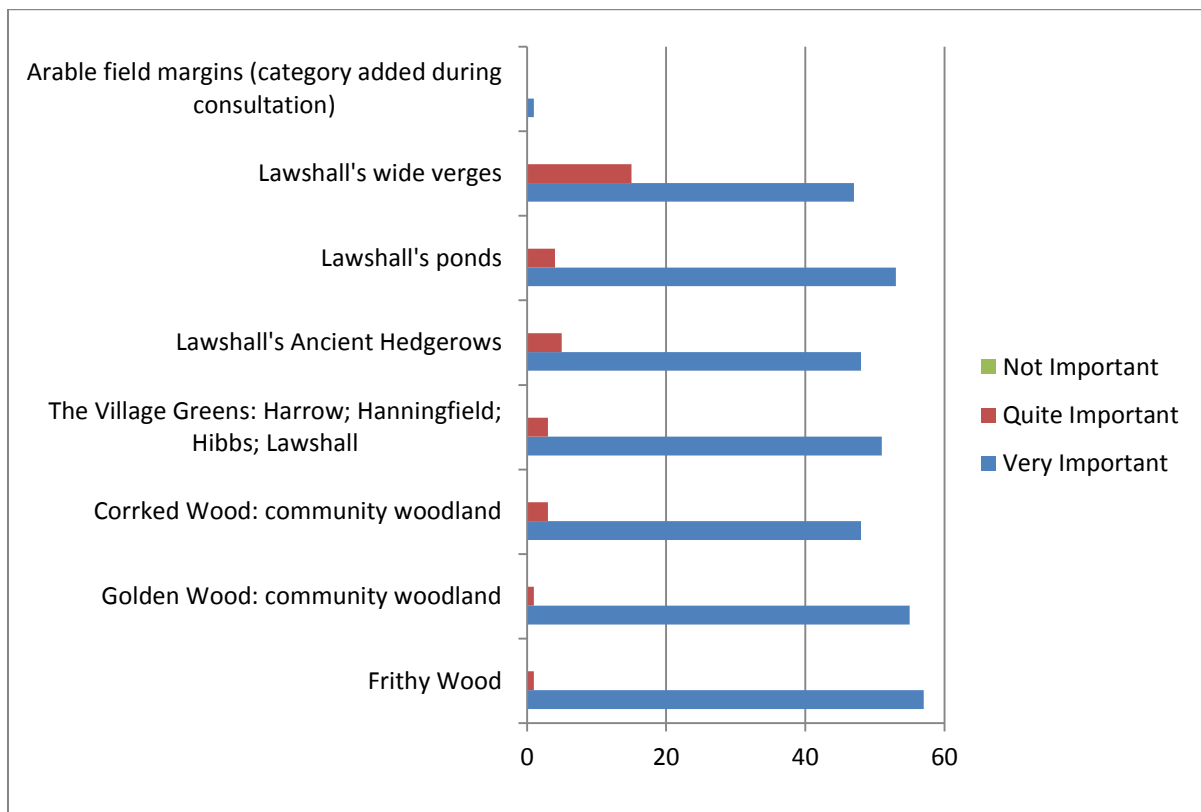
Identified Space	Very important	Quite important	Not important
Shimpling Road Cricket pitch / football ground	45	8	0
Churchill Close: football ground / green space	40	6	1
Walcher’s meadow: playground/ green space	44	3	0
Village Hall: green space	44	6	0
Glebe: green space	49	1	0
Hall Mead: green space	42	11	1
The Foundry: meadow	50	5	0

Participants were also invited to add post-it notes with any comments relevant to the topic of open spaces. Participants in the e-consultation also had the opportunity to write any relevant comments. All comments are recorded below:

- Spaces for children to play – we need more!
- Green Area’s are needed to let the village ‘breathe’. Churchill Close green space as a prime example like Walchers Meadow
- Need to increase the size of the school playing field.
- Cricket pitch – I understand this to be privately owned. How can we comment on this?
- We need to be seen to be utilising our green spaces more in order to keep them / sports for young/old / allotments
- Churchill Close green space has ALWAYS been earmarked for development!
- Hedgerows badly need cutting back. But the council said they are not bad enough yet!!!
- Thought should/may be given to the village hall closing ?? Would this change the importance

B) Natural Environment Assets

Participants were asked to identify how important particular natural environment assets in the village are, and were allowed to add any further assets not listed.



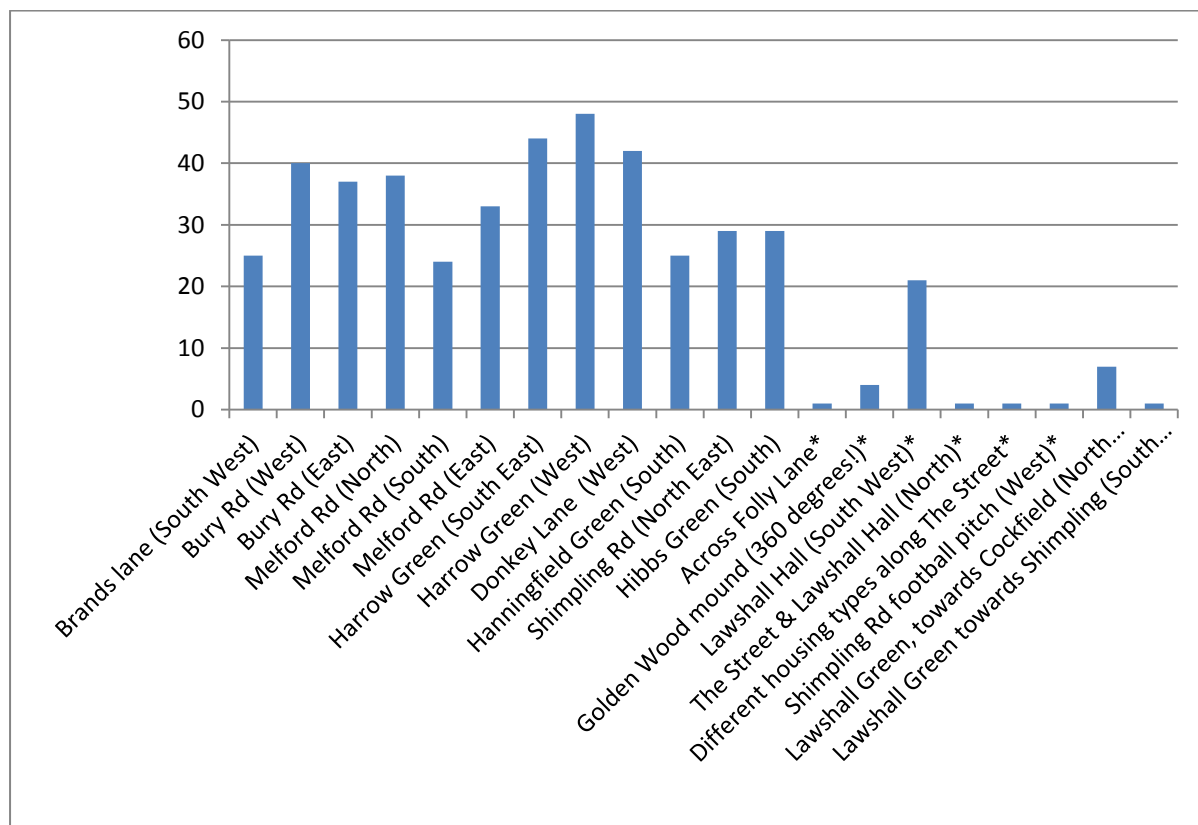
Identified Asset	Very important	Quite important	Not important
Frithy Wood	57	1	0
Golden Wood Community Woodland	55	1	0
Crooked Wood Community Woodland	48	3	0
The Village Greens Harrow, Hanningfield Hibbs & Lawshall Green	51	3	0
Lawshall's ancient hedgerows	48	5	0
Lawshall's ponds e.g. Golden Wood, Foundry, L'shall Green	53	4	0
Lawshall's wide verges e.g. Donkey Lane, Hanningfield Green	47	15	0
Arable Field Margins <i>(added by participant in e-consultation)</i>	1		

Participants were also invited to add post-it notes with any comments relevant to the topic of natural environment assets. Participants in the e-consultation also had the opportunity to write any relevant comments. All comments are recorded below:

- Hedgerows – very important but need regular trimming as otherwise can be very dangerous at road junctions as views can be obscured
- Great opportunity to plant new woodland between Frithy Wood and The Street - an area of ancient woodland until the 1960s
- More housing, especially with families, could be encouraged to volunteer with Forest for Our Children in community woods.
- Eco-friendly housing. Sustainable materials, low energy, seclusion and spacious outdoor space with re-instatement of wild life habitat after build. Mix cheap/more expensive family/couple housing.
- PONDS – and is marked on the O.S. map on Hanningfield Green. Not here now. More ponds would be beneficial for biodiversity.

C) Public Views

Participants were asked about which public views in the village they most valued. 12 views had already been identified from previous exercises, but participants also had the opportunity to add further views not listed. Participants were asked to identify their 'top 5' views and the graph and table below record how often each view figured in people's top 5.



View	People's top 5
1 Brands lane (South West)	25
2 Bury Rd (West)	40
3 Bury Rd (East)	37
4 Melford Rd (North)	38
5 Melford Rd (South)	24
6 Melford Rd (East)	33
7 Harrow Green (South East)	44
8 Harrow Green (West)	48
9 Donkey Lane (West)	42
10 Hanningfield Green (South)	25
11 Shimpling Rd (North East)	29
12 Hibbs Green (South)	29

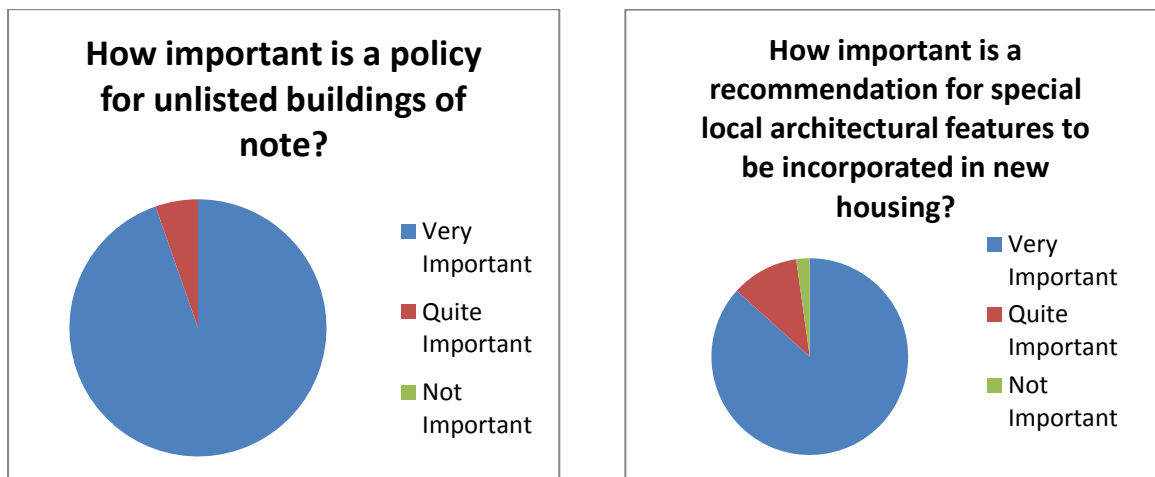
<i>Views added by villagers</i>	
13. Across Folly Lane	1
14. Golden Wood mound (360 degrees!)	4
15. Lawshall Hall (South West)	21
16. The Street & Lawshall Hall (North)	1
17. Different housing types along The Street	1
18. Shimpling Rd football pitch (West)	1
19. Lawshall Green, towards Cockfield (North East)	7
20. Lawshall Green towards Shimpling (South West)	1

Participants were also invited to add post-it notes with any comments relevant to the topic of public views. Participants in the e-consultation also had the opportunity to write any relevant comments. All comments are recorded below:

- Additional view: looking south-east from Audley End towards the village boundary
- Churchill Close / Melford Road (just past bus stop) – put a statue to commemorate Lawshall
- Please include view from Recreation Ground towards The Street

D) Built Heritage

Participants were asked about the importance of two possible policy areas relevant to Lawshall’s built heritage.



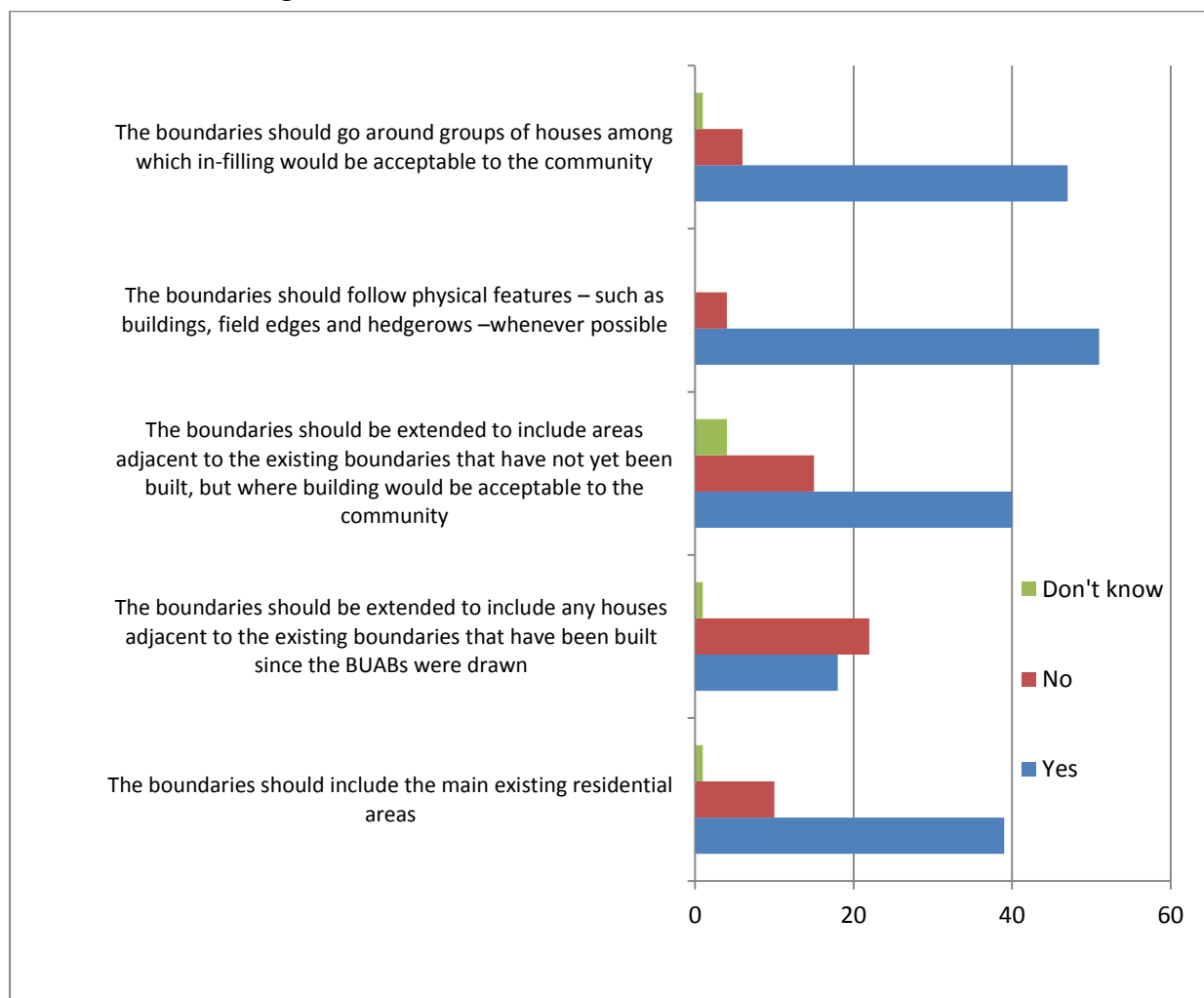
	Very important	Quite important	Not important
How important is a policy for unlisted buildings of note?	53	3	0
How important is a recommendation for special local architectural features to be incorporated in new housing?	39	5	1

Participants were also invited to add post-it notes with any comments relevant to the topic of built heritage. Participants in the e-consultation also had the opportunity to write any relevant comments. All comments are recorded below:

- Does anyone really care? Bah Humbug!
- We need to safeguard these buildings to keep our village’s character
- The Foundry should be included also the new house with wood panelling further down Bury Rd – Buildings on note don’t have to be old!
- When you live in a house that was built 600 yrs ago – you want to protect it.
- A POLICY will keep our heritage safe!
- Listed Buildings: Important to Enforce their Conservation in accordance with Listing.
- Could unlisted list be more designated for long-term protection?

E) Built Up Area Boundaries (BUABs)

Lawshall currently has 3 ‘built up area boundaries’ that identify where the main regions of building are in the village. These boundaries play an important role in planning policy. Participants were asked to give their opinion on a number of possible principles pertaining to how the BUABs ought to be drawn.



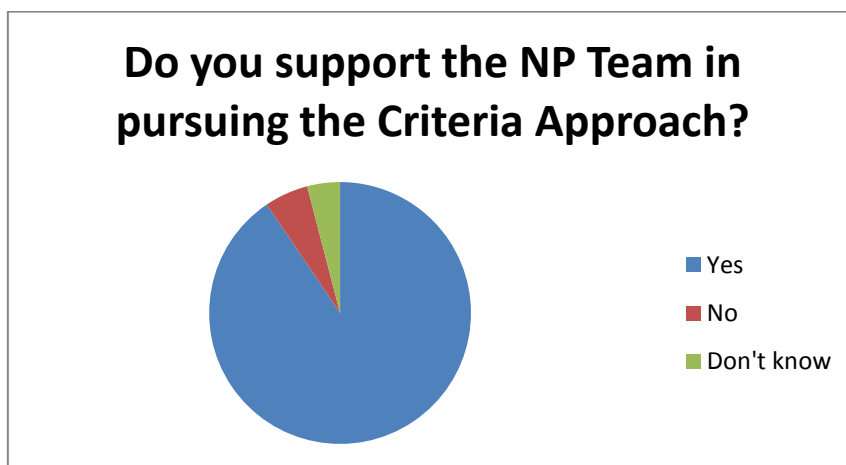
BUAB related principles	YES/AGREE	NO/DON'T AGREE	DON'T KNOW
The boundaries should include the main existing residential areas	39	10	1
The boundaries should be extended to include any houses adjacent to the existing boundaries that have been built since the BUABs were drawn	18	22	1
The boundaries should be extended to include areas adjacent to the existing boundaries that have not yet been built, but where building would be acceptable to the community	40	15	4
The boundaries should follow physical features – such as buildings, field edges and hedgerows – whenever possible	51	4	0
The boundaries should go around groups of houses among which in-filling would be acceptable to the community	47	6	1

Participants were also invited to add post-it notes with any comments relevant to the topic of BUABs. Participants in the e-consultation also had the opportunity to write any relevant comments. All comments are recorded below:

- Outlying settlements should take a little new housing as well as the BUABS
- Not fair to only focus on main built up areas – or they will lose vaillage'feel' altogether
- 2nd principle: strongly disagree with the above (3 others added: disagree too; disagree too; disagree too)
- Future housing should link the two sections of the village TOGETHER!
- If you keep extending the boundaries the area increases. Infilling exting BUABS makes more sense.
- Lawshall has 9 settlements, - a guiding principle should be to safeguard the identity of the settlements by preventing coalescence. Suggest create 'areas of separation'

F) Procedural Approach

Participants were asked about what kind of strategy the Neighbourhood Plan should adopt. The Neighbourhood Plan team recommended a 'criteria approach' according to which the Neighbourhood Plan will contain a range of specific criteria that future planning applications must satisfy. This was recommended in favour of an 'allocation approach' according to which the Neighbourhood Plan designates specific sites as suitable for development.



	YES	NO	DON'T KNOW
Do you support the NP Team in pursuing the criteria approach?	67	4	3

Participants were also invited to add post-it notes with any comments relevant to the topic of procedural approach. Participants in the e-consultation also had the opportunity to write any relevant comments. All comments are recorded below:

- Please give thought to controlling the amount of small properties being turned into large properties, thus reducing the amount of small homes for starters.
- Please consider including some 'Parish Plan' community issues in the NP e.g. traffic calming; footpath enhancement; improved phone coverage /*SIL contributions can then perhaps be channelled to such infrastructure.
- Please restrict small properties being converted to large (e.g. bungalow to 5 bedroom chalet) in order to preserve character of areas within development zones

G) Village Character Assessment

A draft of the 'Village Character Assessment' was on display and participants were invited to make comments:

- People should not park across dropped curbs and they should not block garages
- Please address parking at school. Residents find it hard.

H) Infrastructure (school car-parking, flood risk, phone & internet networks)

Participants were invited to comment on the topic of infrastructure:

- A community mobile phone mast - + renewable energy project?
- Mast for mobile reception on church tower?
- Another shop i.e. community run shop open a few days a week?
- Sign posts + path leading to Golden Woods?
- Parking: Enforcement of existing regulations for parking will be more effective than bringing in more rules which can be ignored.
- There is poor telephone and broadband reception and poor mobile signal
- Bus service Saturdays afternoon bus to Bury from Lawshall but no bus back!!!
- Better mobile signal
- We need a shop please
- More parking required for the school urgently!
- We need a shop!
- School bus & ship all the kids in. If boundary applies – charge nominal fee
- No point in half empty buses
- Flooding: Natural (Ditch) drainage plays a role in this. Although the County Council has a responsibility for monitoring, perhaps a local ‘flood watch’ team could be established in Lawshall as an ‘early warning’ mechanism.
- Repositioning of school with adequate Parking/grounds
- Cafe?
- Whatever we do about infrastructure, try to avoid ‘urbanisation’ e.g. yellow lines, excess street furniture.

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