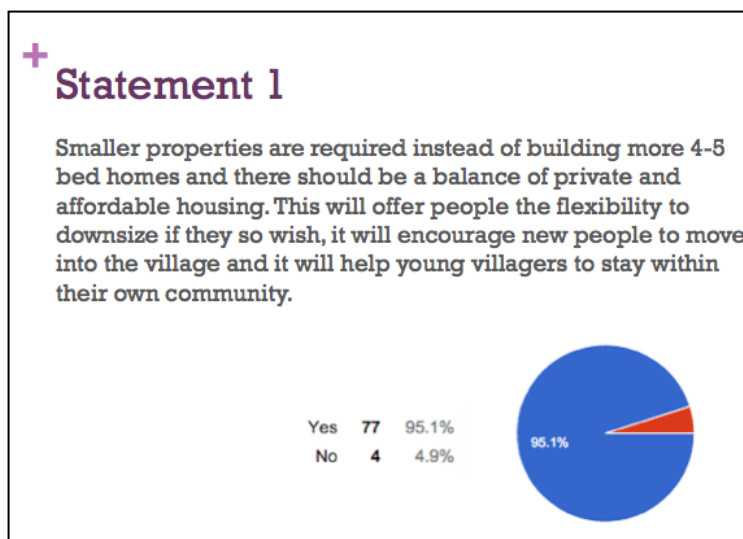




Newton Parish Council – Planning for the Future 2015 Statement

On 25th July 2015, Newton Parish Council invited Parishioners to a **'Planning for the Future'** meeting to ascertain their views on any future development within the village. As a result of this, views were formalised in the form of a survey. This survey was delivered to the house of every parishioner in the village during October 2015. 40% of the parish responded. 28% of the total respondents would be looking to downsize their current accommodation at some point in the foreseeable future.

A series of statements were included in the survey, which were the outcome of the **'Planning for the Future'** meeting. Further comments were invited from the respondents.



Other comments collected from the Survey, in support of Statement 1 were as follows:

'There should be a mixture of smaller and larger properties to avoid transit camps" and include 3 bed properties as there is a shortage. There should be more private housing than affordable, as there are limited facilities in the village.'

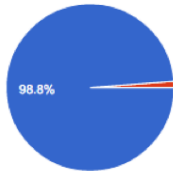
'Quality should be good but not so high as to make them less affordable.'

'High quality, private bungalows which should be attractive to existing residents to downsize to and if we don't provide for them, we force our older residents to choose between moving out of the village or having to continue to live in properties which are unsuitable, beyond their means to maintain and could be better occupied by younger families.'



+ Statement 2

There is no appetite for large-scale developments; new properties, regardless of size, must be built to the highest quality and should enhance the appearance of the village.



Yes	82	98.8%
No	1	1.2%

Other comments collected from the Survey, in support of Statement 2 were as follows:

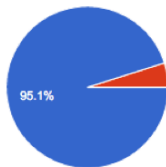
'One which is good quality, in keeping with the rest of the village and with some affordable housing would be fine in the correct positioning.'

'Small developments, high quality and design to compliment the current village.'

'Encourage smaller developers with more unique designs than standard square boxes.'

+ Statement 3

Small scale infill developments along the A134 may be an appropriate way forward but other possible sites should also be investigated. .



Yes	78	95.1%
No	4	4.9%

Other comments collected from the Survey, in support of Statement 3 were as follows:

'I see no reason why spare land at the edge of the village going towards Sudbury should not be used.'

'Off the main A134 is best prepared for the services required for these homes.'

'Development should not be on A134 but in small groups elsewhere.'

'Small scale infill developments should be encouraged over other sites in the village to avoid agricultural land being developed and raising the opportunity for medium to large scale developments.'