

# Wenvoe Community Planning Exercise (CPE) Report 2024–25

The Wenvoe Community Planning Exercise (CPE) for 2024–25 received a total of 110 responses from members of the local community. Feedback was collected primarily through community Open Day events (56%), supplemented by email submissions (37%) and school-based engagement activities (7%). Results charts are available in the appendix (page 3).

## Key Themes and Areas of Concern

Analysis of the responses identified several key themes, with the most prominent areas of concern outlined below:

- Transport and Highways (33%)
- Community Facilities (22%)
- Green Spaces and Conservation (6%)
- Public Rights of Way (5%)
- Housing Development (5%)
- Local Shops and Businesses (5%)
- Local Healthcare (5%)

Additional issues raised, though to a lesser extent, included renewables and net-zero initiatives, litter and fly-tipping, flooding, and crime.

## Transport and Highways

Transport and highways emerged as the most significant area of concern. Within this category, residents most frequently highlighted:

- The need for improved bus services and routes, which accounted for nearly half of transport-related comments
- Concerns regarding traffic levels through the village
- Requests for enhanced speed monitoring and signage
- The need for improvements to road and pavement surfaces

These responses indicate ongoing concerns about safety, accessibility, and connectivity within and beyond the village.

## Community Facilities

Feedback relating to community facilities demonstrated a strong desire for improved provision and greater utilisation of existing assets. Key priorities included:

- Increased youth facilities and activities
- Greater and more flexible use of the Church Hall as a community facility
- Requests for additional seating and benches at specific locations
- Improved accessibility and drainage infrastructure
- Interest in the development of a community cinema

Overall, responses suggest a need for inclusive, well-maintained facilities that serve all age groups.

## **Public Rights of Way**

Residents placed significant importance on walking routes and accessibility, with feedback focusing on:

- The clearing and improvement of existing footpaths
- The creation of new footpaths at identified locations

This reflects a strong community interest in promoting walkability, recreation, and safe access to the wider countryside.

## **Local Shops and Businesses**

Responses relating to local retail provision indicated support for small-scale and flexible options, particularly:

- Temporary retail outlets, such as markets or mobile vendors
- A milk station offering locally produced, farm-fresh goods
- A local café

These suggestions reflect a desire to enhance local services while supporting sustainable and community-focused businesses.

## **Green Spaces and Conservation**

Environmental protection and enhancement were also key considerations. The majority of respondents within this theme supported:

- The creation of a local nature reserve
- The preservation of existing fields and hedgerows

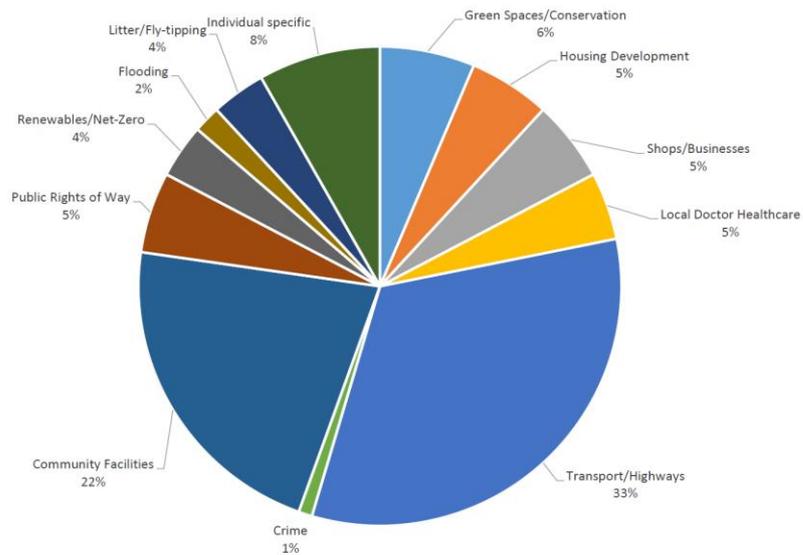
This demonstrates strong community commitment to safeguarding natural assets and maintaining the rural character of the area.

## **Conclusion**

The findings of the 2024–25 CPE Survey indicate that residents' primary priorities relate to transport and traffic management, the availability and quality of community facilities—particularly for young people—and the protection and enhancement of green spaces. Collectively, the responses provide a clear evidence base to inform future planning, investment decisions, and engagement initiatives within Wenvoe.

# Appendix

## Topics % 110 community responses



### Major Sub-topics

