

BOTESDALE &
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NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

2017-2036



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YOUTH SURVEY SUMMARY

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Prepared by Botesdale and Rickinghall Parish Councils

Youth Survey (11-18)

Q1. How old are you? Please write your age in the box:

Answered 37

Skipped 0

Responses

11 - 3

12 - 5

13 - 3

14 - 7

15 - 6

16 - 4

17 - 2

18 - 7

Q2. What is your gender?

Answer Choices

Male

Female

Responses

56.76%

43.24%

21

16

Answered

37

Skipped

0

Q3. Where do you go to school?

Answer Choices	Responses
St Botolph's Primary School	1 2.70%
Another public primary school	0 0.00%
A private primary school	0 0.00%
Hartismere High School	22 59.46%
Another public secondary school	1 2.70%
A private secondary school	3 8.11%
Hartismere College	3 8.11%
West Suffolk College	0 0.00%
Another college	0 0.00%
I have an apprenticeship	0 0.00%
I'm off to university	6 16.22%
I work	1 2.70%
	Answered 37
	Skipped 0

Q4. How do you get to school?

Answer Choices	Responses
Walk	1 2.86%
Cycle	0 0.00%
School Bus/Coach	21 60.00%
Taxi	0 0.00%
Local buses	6 17.14%
Someone drives me	3 8.57%
I drive myself	3 8.57%
Other (please specify)	1 2.86%
	Answered 35
	Skipped 2

Other (please specify)

I drive to work, used to get the bus to Hartismere school and Sixth form, walked to St Botolphs

Q5. Botesdale and Rickinghall are likely to grow in the next few years and more houses will be built. How would you feel about that?

When I have my own house, I'd like to live in Botesdale/Rickinghall
 We need more places for people to live in Botesdale/Rickinghall
 With more people, we would need more places for play and sport
 I would be sad to lose some of our green spaces for building on
 I would like busier streets and more people about
 More people in the villages means more friends!
 It would get too crowded in our shops/school and health centre
 Botesdale/Rickinghall will eventually die if we don't get more people

	Agree	Not sure	Disagree	Total
When I have my own house, I'd like to live in Botesdale/Rickinghall	27.03%	40.54%	32.43%	37
We need more places for people to live in Botesdale/Rickinghall	21.62%	32.43%	45.95%	37
With more people, we would need more places for play and sport	81.08%	13.51%	5.41%	37
I would be sad to lose some of our green spaces for building on	78.38%	16.22%	5.41%	37
I would like busier streets and more people about	2.70%	21.62%	75.68%	37
More people in the villages means more friends!	22.22%	44.44%	33.33%	36
It would get too crowded in our shops/school and health centre	70.27%	16.22%	13.51%	37
Botesdale/Rickinghall will eventually die if we don't get more people	13.51%	21.62%	64.86%	37
			Answered	37
			Skipped	0

Q6. Do you have a mobile phone?

Answer Choices

	Responses
Yes	34 91.89%
No	3 8.11%
	Answered
	37
	Skipped
	0

Q7. How good is the signal you get on your mobile?

OK - enough to make a call

	Good - full signal	OK - enough to make a call	Bad - no signal	Total
At home	73.53%	23.53%	2.94%	34
In the village	50.00%	44.12%	5.88%	34
Outside of the village	32.35%	55.88%	11.76%	34
			Answered	34
			Skipped	3

Q8. Is there enough to do in Botesdale/Rickinghall?

Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	7 19.44%
It's OK	18 50.00%
NO!	11 30.56%
If you said no, what do you wish we had?	15
	Answered 36
	Skipped 1

If you said no, what do you wish we had?

- Maybe a coffee shop or somewhere like a pub but for younger children instead of adults.
- Shop-sweet shop/ice cream parlour. Tennis or table tennis. The tennis should be free as more people would use it, other places have tennis courts and are open. We have to go to Stanton because it's always open and free.
- Sports Centre
- Possibly more sports clubs and variation for teenagers.
- Computer or other teen clubs.
- I wish we had more places for teenagers to go to and hang out. Such as gym, pool or a big park.
- We could do with a library and/or bookshop. Maybe make the park more popular, whenever I go it's empty.
- A little more work needs to be done with the Botesdale Park.
- There is no need for more things to do as we travel to Eye/Diss/Norwich
- A few more clubs for my age: after school, evening or holidays (drama)
- 3g or astro turf football pitch, more equipment in the parks, indoor activities
- more sports facilities
- Social spaces
- coffee shop, youth club
- More places for us to hang out

Q9. Do you travel outside of Botesdale/Rickinghall to play sports or be active in other ways?

Answer Choices	Responses
A lot	12 33.33%
Some	17 47.22%
Never	7 19.44%
If you do, where do you go to do this? Say which villages or towns in the box.	28
	Answered 36
	Skipped 1

If you do, where do you go to do this? Say which villages or towns in the box.

- Bressingham - 1
- Bury St. Edmunds - 10
- Diss - 16
- Eye - 6
- Gislingham - 1
- Hoxne - 1
- Needham Lakes - 1
- Scole - 3
- Stowmarket - 1
- Stradbroke - 3
- Theftord - 1
- Thorndon - 1
- Thornham - 1
- Worham - 4

For:

- Diss High School-trampolining, Diss-swimming
- Diss-swimming Bury and Norwich for shopping Norwich for the trampoline park and for bowling.
- Diss-swimming and table tennis. Tennis-Stanton
- Worham-tennis
- Worham to play cricket. Scole to do archery.
- Gislingham, Thorndon, Diss, Eye, and sometimes Bury.

Q10. Do you travel outside of Botesdale/Rickinghall to meet friends / for fun?

Answer Choices	Responses
A lot	19 52.78%
Some	14 38.89%
Never	3 8.33%
If you do, where do you go to do this? Say which villages or towns in the box.	32
	Answered 36
	Skipped 1

If you do, where do you go to do this? Say which villages or towns in the box.

Bury St. Edmunds - 11

Diss - 15

Eye - 11

Gislingham - 2

Hoxne - 1

Ipswich - 1

Ixworth - 1

Norwich - 10

Occold - 1

Redgrave - 5

Thorndon - 2

Twaite - 1

Wattisfield - 2

Worham - 9

Yaxley - 1

For:

Worham and Diss-park and shopping

Bury-cinema and shopping, Norwich-trampoline park, shopping, bowling, Diss-cafe swimming.

Q11. How do you travel outside of Botesdale/Rickinghall for sports/fun?

Answer Choices	Responses
Walk	0 0.00%
Cycle	2 5.88%
Bus	1 2.94%
Taxi	0 0.00%
Train	0 0.00%
Someone drives me	22 64.71%
I drive myself	2 5.88%
Other (please specify)	7 20.59%
	Answered 34
	Skipped 3

Other (please specify)

- bus sometimes
- also cycle, or catch the train
- sometimes I go by bus or train or someone drives me.
- sometimes I go by train, bus or cycle.
- I also use the bus, taxi or someone drives me.
- I also walk or cycle to friend's houses.
- Drive myself, someone drives me

Q12. Please tell us how much you agree with the following things. When we say “the village”, we mean Botesdale and Rickinghall.

	Agree	Not sure	Disagree	Total
The village should look and feel like a village, not a town	83.33%	5.56%	11.11%	36
We need more places for young people to work in the village	38.89%	44.44%	16.67%	36
We should use more natural sources of energy in the village like solar, wind, or water power.	44.44%	47.22%	8.33%	36
I really like living in the village	69.44%	27.78%	2.78%	36
We need to protect our open spaces/views/wildlife	91.67%	5.56%	2.78%	36
We need to make it easier for adults to work in the village	27.78%	52.78%	19.44%	36
I care about historic buildings and the history of the village	44.44%	33.33%	22.22%	36
We need more shops and businesses	19.44%	50.00%	30.56%	36
Helping out/volunteering with local projects is important	61.11%	38.89%	0.00%	36
			Answered	36
			Skipped	1

Q13. If you have anything further to add to this section, please comment in the space below:

Answered
Skipped

8
29

Responses

- I don't want any fields to be built on, they are used for good walks.
- I would like to see a public bus from our village to Eye and also it's hard to find bus routes-the internet routes confuse me. Some cars break the speed limit. The Botesdale road should be done too.
- I believe that only a few houses should be built in the village and not massive housing developments on green fields.
- I think that Mill Road will need to be made wider in order for traffic to flow into the village more easily. A lot of people walk dogs on the field. There should be more cycle friendly roads in the village.
- As for the houses on Rectory Hill, I believe to make the road safe we should add a pavement and bollards on the road, also make it one way into the village.
- More houses make the school, doctors and parking too crowded.
- Preserving and promoting biodiversity is important but sacrifices with regards to views and open spaces must be made in order to provide for the increasing population and housing demands.
- I feel that building more houses will disrupt nesting wildlife and destroy beautiful landscapes and walks. More cars will be parked in the already crowded street, causing more accidents. Crime will also increase.