

# Ask Brockholes

## Priorities and actions

Some participants of Ask Brockholes also identified their main issues and priorities, and suggested what actions could be taken to deal with these.

Priority	Number of participants
<b>Reduce traffic speeds, traffic calming and road safety</b>  20 mph speed limit on Smithy Place Lane with speed sensing flashing sign Safe access out of Brockholes onto the main road & Brockholes Lane Traffic calming on Brockholes Lane, widen area where there are zig zags A pavement on Brockholes Lane or lower the speed limit on the bend One way traffic system around the recreation green Traffic calming on Woodhead Road esp by Hagg Wood & camp site entrance Trim the foliage at the corner of Woodhead Road more often Road markings on the main road to segregate parked & moving cars More parking in the village to free up roads so traffic can move better Restriction of bikes on local footpaths No parking outside school at drop-off and pick-up times More yellow lines on bend below school Yellow lines by the hairdressers Mirrors to get on main road or less parking Zebra crossing into the park Patrols at school times Double yellow lines at junction on A616 for 20 metres Street works survey that works	28
<b>Better maintenance of roads and footpaths</b>  Regular maintenance of public footpaths Riverside path is in need of upkeep Enhance footpaths & signage to give better access to outdoor spaces Increase road and pavement cleaning Move the bins on Rock Terrace Tackle dog poo – dog warden questionnaire, identify problem owners, education Lighting and safer streets Fill pot-holes Restoration of listed boundary marker Better litter control More checks by council on litter discarded in area Repaint the bridge Resurface Brockholes Lane higher up & Ridings Fields Signage for residential roads Kirklees to act promptly to road maintenance issues Shore up riverside path to prevent further erosion and collapse Local groups to organise an event to prune bushes overgrowing on footpaths Return of hanging baskets	16

<p><b>Safer parking - at the school, station, in the village, off the road</b></p> <p>Permit parking on Brockholes Lane  Invest in on-street charging  More considerate parking &amp; permits  Remove the grass verge on Oakes Avenue  Add more parking  Penalties for parked cars on pavements  Create more parking by the train station  A speed limit outside the school &amp; parking restrictions on the corner  Acquisition or allocation of land for parking  A drop off zone for driving parents arranged voluntarily by the school staff or both e.g. from Methodist Church  No pavement parking at all</p>	12
<p><b>Infrastructure improvements as result of housing developments – for example, health care, schools</b></p> <p>Increased healthcare, school provision and youth services</p>	11
<p><b>More involvement of residents, better sense of community, listen to and keep residents informed</b></p> <p>Methodist Church, a village fete, social opportunities, history board/ school project, better facilities for youth &amp; social interaction of young and old, peer support, community café, publicise local groups &amp; networks</p> <p>Create a sense of place on New Mill Road so people know where they are, not just somewhere to drive through</p> <p>Access to services is really difficult, maybe a monthly drop-in at the village hall such as citizens advice  A Brockholes carnival  Appoint project manager to implement imaginative ideas from the community re the Methodist church building  Publicise residents association</p>	11
<p><b>Protect green spaces and wildlife, improve wildlife habitats – for example, bat boxes, look after local badgers and tree planting</b></p> <p>More emphasis on local opinion and wildlife in planning protected natural areas  Get rid of the shooting club or at least allow residents some Saturdays in Spring / Summer to enjoy their gardens &amp; local environment</p>	11
<p><b>Stop house building especially on green land, improve the planning process</b></p> <p>Ensure residents are informed, involved &amp; have their opinions listened to  Change the planning process away from its bias towards developers and towards the needs of local residents</p>	9

<b>Affordable housing; for the elderly, families, young people</b>  Encourage house builders to build smaller houses & consider alternatives to traditional buildings	5
<b>Improvements to the parks in particular the Rec; play equipment</b>  Upgrade leisure sport provision	6
<b>Better public transport links, cheaper fares; local bus service to the station</b>  Commission better public transport to the GPs Increase trains – reinstate track on whole of Penistone line Incentives to travel such as reduced charges at week-ends, reduced rates for young people on low incomes	5
<b>Better active travel and pedestrian improvements</b>  provision on Smithy Lane, pavement extension on Brockholes Lane, improve crossing at New Mill Road Streets for all principle	2
<b>Flood defences, improve drainage</b>	3
<b>Recycling; recycle bins in the village and collections</b>  Show what the council is doing on refuse and recycling to achieve better results (publish recycling rates, landfill quantities) Build an anaerobic digester to produce biomethane Devise energy efficiency improvement plan	3
<b>Increased good quality employment opportunities</b>  Attract new employers to the area Support & assist small businesses such as forestry , farming, small holding and low impact business such as cider making, bee keeping	1
<b>Improvements to the environment around Oakes Avenue &amp; Top Rec</b>	1
<b>CCTV and tackle anti-social behaviour</b>  Practical help from Kirklees Council, parish council and police to prevent crime to property and vehicles	1

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