

Dalston Parish Plan Questionnaire - Comment Responses

Would you like to see more landscaping and tree planting in Dalston Parish?

- 1 Better than dog muck!
- 2 Deciduous for longevity, either as singles =or in coppice to give habitat and scenery.
- 3 You decide
- 4 Throughout the parish. Protect trees from bark strippers
- 5 No trees in Square please
- 6 Carlisle end of Dalston
- 7 On the common ground at the foot of Nook Lane
- 8 Native hardwoods lining roads into Dalston
- 9 Would like to see extended landscaping when development occurs
- 10 The Square badly needs improvement
- 11 The Green needs to be cleared and made into something more than a dog toilet
- 12 Remove ivy which is choking some trees
- 13 Watch out for autumn leaves causing a mess
- 14 On edge of fields
- 15 It would be good to involve local schools in landscaping projects
- 16 roadsides, hamlet centres, and esp. to screen very unsightly agricultural buildings which have recently appeared.
- 17 Leave more trees in hedgerows - too many farmers ripping out trees
- 18 Mixed native species
- 19 Dalston side of Caldew
- 20 Do something about the 'scars' where the gorse was pulled out. Clearing the redundant barbed wire on the walk on the other side of the river would be beneficial as it is a danger to dogs and young children.
- 21 Some farms could diversify into forestry - oak etc.
- 22 School playgrounds, churches, public spaces etc.
- 23 The Green full length, field towards Bridge End, pine trees would be healthful
- 24 Trees along roadsides, landscaping in village, Bridge End and Raughton Head
- 25 The Green gorse is being removed each year - soon it will be an agricultural field rather than a wild life habitat. Have an environmental survey and plant trees and bushes - extend wildlife corridors up the river bank.
- 26 Along road to river, beside the Lamp and opposite the library
- 27 Parking on grass is making a mess. Extend the grasscrete on the Green
- 28 More leisure walks
- 29 Replace trees lost on roadside hedges
- 30 Landscape river frontage between White Bridge and Square
- 31 An avenue to the White Bridge
- 32 Patch of grass next to the garage and patch of grass at bottom of Station Road
- 33 Behind St Michael's school field where the old trees have died off.
- 34 In and around the play area in Dalston - I feel that it is in a very disappointing state
- 35 More trees around the village and landscaping around Buckabank / Bridge End
- 36 Everywhere, especially in the Old Inglewood forest area and especially oaks.
- 37 Around the periphery of the Green and on the left side of the road on the Kingsway.
- 38 Any open land
- 39 Landscaping of all approaches to Dalston - at present very poor and untidy. The approach to the railway station is disgusting. I have seen a local councillor about this - as yet no action.
- 40 Track from Nestles to Railway Station
- 41 On the perimeter roads where most of the houses are
- 42 Behind bus shelter at Bridge End

- 43 Dalston is beautiful as it is
- 44 Adequate at the moment
- 45 No more trees - they create problems - branches etc.
- 46 In hedgerows
- 47 Churchyard entrance often looks tatty and might be improved by more tress/spring bulbs etc.
- 48 Not sure that more are required
- 49 Part of Stockdalewath - N side of river near bridge
- 50 Small trees transplanting at car park in Dalston. More large shrub trees to disguise the Nestel Caldeu boundary
- 51 Along the roadsides

Would you like to see more paved footways by the side of the road where none at present exist?

- 1 Buebank Road to path at Shell depot
- 2 More pavement leading to Nook Lane Close
- 3 School routes
- 4 Improve bridleways between villages to make them more usable by pedestrians and cyclists
- 5 Footpaths need better management
- 6 The Ghyll
- 7 Where there are no paths
- 8 Convert the Church into a multi-use building. Don't need new buildings; think creatively about existing buildings/spaces - adapt/extend/modify!!! Draw people into one space - that will create a sense of community and successful focus for people of all ages. Secular/non-secular use needs to be actively considered in 21st Century.]
- 9 Down to river at Dalston
- 10 Cycle paths please
- 11 towards White Bridge
- 12 Improve existing footpaths.
- 13 Raughton Head and surrounding area
- 14 to tidy the pathway running adjacent to the railway.
- 15 Footways should be dry gravel rather than paved.
- 16 Wider pavements from Square to newsagents
- 17 Urban districts
- 18 Riverside to Bridge End should be re-surfaced
- 19 Railings from St Michael's to the Churchyard would be a good idea. Its very dangerous for young children

Do you have any views about the design of buildings and structures which you would like to make?

- 1 Structures should compliment the existing village buildings
- 2 Garage development to be single storey please
- 3 Dalston is too big. Further development would not enhance the village.
- 4 More development of unsightly farm buildings
- 5 Sympathetic stone. Must make allowance for parking off road.
- 6 More variety required and stick to a building line
- 7 BP end of village is a mess.
- 8 some innovation desirable
- 9 Preserve the Square & our traditional buildings - too many have been lost
- 10 Screen farm buildings
- 11 Concerned about design in centre - less concerned elsewhere
- 12 Not all buildings are in keeping with the local style, esp. some barn conversions
- 13 Very regressive planning policy - makes cheap imitations of traditional buildings rather than more innovative designs
- 14 We do not live in a museum
- 15 Need a non-religious youth club with snooker, table tennis and entertainment

- 16 Conservation in rural areas
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- 18 Not enough contemporary design
- 19 Careful conservation in the Square
- 20 Toilets behind the co-op are an eyesore
- 21 Perhaps installations by local artists. Some statues on the Green
- 22 Keep Forges Green the way it is
- 23 The estates in Dalston have no architectural merit
- 24 Too much light pollution
- 25 Don't pack them so close together
- 26 Would be nice to keep the historical feel of the Square.
- 27 The garage site will need very careful design
- 28 Glave Hill must be sympathetically developed
- 29 Kingswood group - haphazard planning - signs are grotesque
- 30 Can the PC set a higher standard than the City council so that when development happens the resultant homes/buildings are of high quality/award winning standard?
- 31 Houses should be no more than 2 levels
- 32 Keep buildings low rise and restrict colours
- 33 Very high quality contemporary architecture should be incorporated. Retro is bad design.
- 34 Most of the new agricultural buildings are awful
- 35 Unnecessary building that has taken place - stone barns turned into houses and then new timber shed erected in place of the original barn
- 36 Some very poor design - e.g. Laing's Estate, Nook Lane close
- 37 Summerfield not in keeping with village. No more BP/Nestles type structures
- 38 Kingswood not in keeping with a country area.
- 39 Kingswood not in keeping with the area
- 40 New housing should be of the highest standard
- 41 New buildings should be of an appropriate design for Dalston although modern architecture would be acceptable.
- 42 Eco friendly - solar powered
- 43 Dalston's shop window does not fit in well with the village
- 44 Some agricultural buildings are too large - out of scale.
- 45 Summerfield's initial plan was for 59 dwellings: it ended up with 69! Also, all houses are on the left hand side overlooking bungalows on the opposite side!! No future developments should be allowed to distort the present mix of dwellings or be too unwieldy (e.g. Greenacres in Wetheral creates an imbalance in my opinion).
- 46 Cheap designs should not be used
- 47 More general conformation needed
- 48 New housing in the centre of Raughton Head RUINED the village.
- 49 Ugly extensions to some houses
- 50 Would like to see more modern shops
- 51 No more building
- 52 Dalston is quickly becoming a small town - not a village any more.
- 53 No more than 2 stories
- 54 Generally satisfactory
- 55 Not to design, but why no bungalows in Raughton Head?
- 56 Spare Dalston from Barrett estates
- 57 New estates should be of a more rural nature
- 58 Sandstone when adjacent to existing sandstone buildings please
- 59 We are happy with the designs in Raughton Head
- 60 I prefer sandstone clad buildings and white painted houses
- 61 In 1959 Dalston was a more attractive village than it is today! Old properties have been demolished and some very poorly designed houses have been built with little regard and sensitivity for the original Cumbrian architecture.
- 62 The removal of the high wall outside Village House should never have been allowed.

- 63 Developments should take account of public safety - no dark areas, not ??? to large groups gathering at nights etc.
- 64 Better screening of new and old buildings on industrial estate
- 65 Just two storey - no dormer windows - on the Green
- 66 We should stop building low density housing estates consisting of designs still drawn from 50 years ago and move into high tech factory production.
- 67 Blains development should be in keeping with the rest of the village.
- 68 Yes, but are probably too prejudiced to be of worth
- 69 Should be a good mixture of old and new if new houses are to come to Dalston at all. For example, the Blains site might be an appropriate place for a 'statement type' of building encompassing the traditional and modern.
- 70 Hate inappropriate use of 'off the shelf' housing
- 71 Would like to see clock on the co op working again

In the past have you had any experience of the Planning System which was not to your liking? What would you like to see changed?

- 1 Parish council do not like changes
- 2 Not sure about housing on Glave Hill
- 3 More freedom of thought. Stop 'this is how it's always been'
- 4 Permission given for modern 2 storey houses in an area of low level housing
- 5 They should stop dictating and start discussing
- 6 Yes, planners should take more notice of Dalston public opinion
- 7 Not enough allowance for garage off-road parking by the planners
- 8 Allow big houses
- 9 Less interference
- 10 They should take account of local views
- 11 More consideration for neighbours when a development overlooks
- 12 Businesses should be on industrial estate
- 13 More regulations on farm building design
- 14 Planning is riddles with inconsistencies
- 15 Yes - would like more open minded - aesthetically aware policy
- 16 Stricter enforcement if work is carried out without planning consent
- 17 Planning is too strict
- 18
- 19 Need a new vigorous planning authority prepared to take action against breached in planning rules
Where applications are contentious, then everyone in the locality should receive a copy of the application
- 20 Everyone should get contentious applications
- 21 Planning is not a very good tool to control development as there is too much interpretation of the acts, too much personal and political involvement.
- 22 Yes - Greensyke enquiry. Need greater professional expertise by planners
- 23 Yes, Greensyke. CCC handling of the situation too slow to put a stop to the development
- 24 Yes - Summerfield's
- 25 No more estates
- 26 What happened to the plans for a by-pass?
- 27 No happy when permission given which alters the elevation of existing buildings - extensions, garages etc.
- 28 Inequitable decision making
- 29 No buildings erected without planning permission
- 30 Lime House School's ugly sheds and huts
- 31 Too much flaunting of planning without permission in the expectation that retrospective permission will be granted.
- 32 We need to be very careful to avoid excessive 'NIBYism'. Dalston must develop and grow at an appropriate pace or it will gradually lose it facilities (schools, shops, businesses)
- 33 A barn conversion in which the owners did not follow council rules.

34 Inability of planners to deal with Kingswood
35 Kingswood - larger penalties for building without permission
36 Kingswood saga - more rigorous controls
37 Kingswood - PC good, planners bad
38 Smithfield - the bricks look awful. Planning system too drawn out - don't carry out legal duties.
39 More openness of planning decisions
40 YES - more belief in what residents say; it costs a fortune just to obtain a hearing; what chance for anyone without financial resourced
41 Yes, a more thorough investigation by planning officers instead of leaving the work to be done by local residents. Fairness to residents essential
42 Everyone should be fairly treated
43 Yes
44 Planning is basically a matter of opinion. The problem is that conditions imposed on approval are very rarely followed-up.
45 Agricultural buildings which have spoiled the area
46 Kingswood
47 Attention to size - new buildings too big
48 The builder's views on boundaries and those of the Parch Council do not seem to be consistent. Plans should be less ambiguous!
49 The Nook Lane Close development was and is an abomination. How planners felt that 2 story white. Milton Keyes style houses would 'soften' the edge of the village beats me. A poor example of housing development.
50 YES - disregard of the views of existing residents. Lack of effort to enforce planning conditions.
51 Kingswood
52 Conservation areas and protected buildings should be respected.
53 Cubby construction were refused access to build flats in the 'old coal yard'. A large private house on the same location had no problem!! Inconsistent Parish council Policy!
54 Convert the Church into a multi-use building. Don't need new buildings; think creatively about existing buildings/spaces - adapt/extend/modify!!! Draw people into one space - that will create a sense of community and successful focus for people of all ages. Secular/non-secular use needs to be actively considered in 21st Century.||Developing a strong church community encompassing all ages would be better (ref Q67). Our churches are seriously unappealing to youth/middle aged families.
55 Decisions need to be enforced
56 Kingswood. Also, planners should be more sympathetic to farmers struggling after F&M
57 More tolerance of Nordic or Canadian style housing
58 Maintain open spaces
59 The new fence at Village House
60 That CCC listen to the public and not just rubber stamp developments to avoid litigation.
61 I would like the people directly affected by proposals to be listened to
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63 Nestle's factory and Caldew School too near the main road - Nestles make too much noise at night.
64 Nestle factory is too noisy at night
65 Greater emphasis on building design and making sure that new buildings use materials which compliment existing
66 Planners should take much more notice of traffic
67 Control of height and size of outbuildings - they can be overpowering in small villages.
68 A rethink on barn conversions. Better to develop than remain redundant
69 Yes - corruption at planning consent level; there is material proof of this!
70 Difficulties for agricultural workers getting permission for homes. Locals can no longer afford to live in the area.
71 Parish Council makes hasty decisions without proper consultation
72 Small changes made to property the second time around made less expensive.
73 No more estates
74 Too many new houses

- 74 No more new housing within the village
- 75 When planning permission is refused by the City Council I do not think that the decision should be overturned by County or National bodies.
- 76 More recognition of comment, usually critical, made by local inhabitants.
- 77 Yes - permission given for a house which was out of keeping with the houses around it. Planning authority should listen to local residents.
- 78 Why no bungalows in Raughton Head?
- 79 More houses
- 80 More sensitivity to the environment and less rule book
- 81 Yes. One planner was completely out of touch with reality. I suggested that they should visit the site being discussed so that there is then the possibility of making sensitive comments.
- 82 Yes - we changed it.
- 83 EG Blain's Garage did not fit in. I hope any new development on that site will be carefully thought through
- 84 There has been no consideration to harmonize and blend the architecture of the village in keeping with the Square. This unfortunately cannot be changed. We can only hope that any future building (if at all) is carefully scrutinized.
- 85 Yes. No more housing estates foisted on Dalston which takes the building numbers will over the Village Plan which is (more or less) agreed upon, please.
- 86 The views of the people of the parish and the Parish council are often ignored when planning decisions are made.
- 87 Summerfield's - too many houses too close together; roads too narrow.
- 88 I altered a house on the green, but wasn't allowed dormer windows - no consistency
- 89 A consistent policy would be good!!
- 90 More consideration of resident's views
- 91 Imposition of additional housing on Nook Lane Close and Summerfield's approval against local opinion||
- 92 No development without permission
- 93 Planners should take more account of local opinion
- 94 I would like to see a more open system less able to be abused by individuals who are in the know and can cut corners to achieve their objectives.
- 95 The arrogance of some officials
- 96 Farm developments seem to ignore visual impact on existing dwellings and become more industrialised than the landscape can take.
- 97 A more uniform response to applications
- 98 Differing considerations to be taken into consideration
- 99 Yes, currently. We wish to build a cottage for our own use in our garden, which is three quarters of an acre, but have been advised that this be refused despite the development of park homes just over our fence.
- 100 Many of the Parish Council's recommendations have been ignored
- 101 Needs speeding up
- 102 Comments made by the PC are often ignored

Have you any views about future land use for recreation, agriculture, sport or open spaces?

- 1 More open space desirable
- 2 Retain status quo, but perhaps make more use of sports field
- 3 More children's play areas needed everywhere
- 4 Keep grassed areas between the river and the main road
- 5 As much as possible in the Parish should be retained for agriculture
- 6 Recreation field needs improved
- 7 Less interference with agriculture from those that don't know
- 8 Use brown field sites instead of agricultural sites (barns)
- 9 Public right of way across show field to Victory Hall and/or Rec. and also from Townhead Rd to Station Rd

- 10 Use more agricultural land for recreational use
- 11 Path between Gaitsgill and Raughton Head is often impassable due to poor drainage. Supposed to be a cycle route.
- 12 Use top of show field for parking
- 13 Show field (top) parking
- 14 Development of these only viable future as agriculture in inevitable decline
- 15 Support agriculture and ensure sufficient land available for recreations
- 16 Do not build on land behind Madam Banks please
- 17 Raughton Head needs a village hall
- 18 Agric land near houses should not be sprayed with unnatural chemicals
- 19 Linear park down Kingsway
- 20 Have the youth that 'hang about' been asked what they want from the village?
- 21 More facilities needed
- 22 More things for young people including a proper sports club
- 23 Recreation areas are needed in Dalston but the must be situated centrally
- 24 Each proposal should be judged on merit|
- 25 More centres for young people (8-20). Keep fit for the elderly
- 26 Keep development to a minimum
- 27 Kingswood - too big for this rural area
- 28 Kingswood is not appropriate.
- 29 Tilcon Quarry would make an ideal fishing/boating place after workings finished
- 30 Importance of access to countryside from the centre. Need to avoid over obsession with tidiness in some open spaces.
- 31 Good well maintained footpaths - more needed
- 32 Open spaces are top priority
- 33 Cows should not be in the field adjacent to the Green (access to the community for walking)
- 34 Keep village open spaces
- 35 Improvements to the Rec. would be most welcome
- 36 Preserve it - they are not making any more!
- 37 Better use of the Rec.
- 38 Blains site should be used to provide recreation facilities
- 39 The Green should NOT be build on
- 40 More use could be made of the Rec. for young people
- 41 More paths and cycle tracks
- 42 Make more use of Rec. and show field
- 43 Restrict to agriculture, except for infilling esp. in out lying areas
- 44 Infilling in village; discrete; local materials. Restricted recreation in quite rural areas
- 45 Keep recreational areas to the village only
- 46 Keep recreational activities in the village
- 47 Keep within the village
- 48 More common land would be welcome
- 49 The current balance in Raughton Head is about right - any future developments should be discouraged.
- 50 Rec. should be more like a park
- 51 I don't think that there should be any change
- 52 Land use should be more eco-friendly
- 53 Status quo please
- 54 Adequate as it is
- 55 Build a better sporting area
- 56 Dalston has a good balance of different land uses. There needs to be a good Community Building to replace the Scout Hut
- 57 No more development. Green areas should not be turned into parking areas, especially in conservation areas.
- 58 New changing room on Rec.

59 Maintain agricultural use as now. Developments such as Kingswood Centre are inappropriate in scale and should be resisted.

60 Flood lighting for sports areas is a pollutant and more would be inappropriate. The BP/Caldew School complex produces unacceptable levels of light pollution.

61 Grazing and full agricultural use should be encouraged.

62 Land designated for agricultural use should remain so

63 Hope the gravel pits become a sailing/water sports amenity

64 If the Parish council do not own this land they have no right to change any use of land.

65 Improve the Youth Hut

66 Recreation and sporting use would be inappropriate in the village centre

67 Improve facilities in Dalston Rec.. Need floodlights at tennis club

68 Yes, I would like to see organic farming and food co-op, chlorine free swimming pool

69 Needs to be recreational land for all age groups to allow play, sport and relaxation.

70 Would like to see the Rec. and Show Field protected from buildings

71 One must preserve the natural tranquillity and beauty of the local rural scene and avoid its gradual erosion and destruction.]

72 Open spaces are always nice so that nature can be appreciated

73 The rural nature of the village - the Green & Square - should NEVER be compromised. The open spaces should be conserved for future generations to enjoy.

74 I would like to see more for youngsters

75 something to bring visitors to Dalston

76 This was a fine country village. further growth should be strictly limited in order to preserve what is left of our heritage.

77 More open spaces

78 Currently a good balance with school and recreation fields at each end of the village.

79 Any of the above - no more housing

80 No further new houses should be permitted, although a decent sport/community centre would be of value.

81 What about the Quarry?

82 Recreation

83 There should be strict designation of open space

84 A healthy respect for human activities and the need for large herds of cows need supervision in the future

85 The field at the Rec. could be made into a much better football/rugby pitch

86 Ensure playgrounds are always open

87 I feel that the current play area in Dalston needs an overhaul

88 No need to change

89 Keep sport within the present recreation areas.

90 Need rugby posts on Caldew sports field

91 NO MORE large detached homes for wealthy commuters please.

92 Perhaps some area for young people's recreation - e.g. a park.

93 Improve sports facilities and retain open spaces

94 It would be a good thing to bring rugby back to Dalston

95 Existing open spaces to be kept clear

96 Any erosion of existing position should be resisted.

97 Important to retain open spaces

98 Keep it agricultural

99 Controlled agriculture and open space developments

100 More sports for young people instead of Dalston's image as an old people's village in the Cumberland News (whist/bowling image)

101 I would like to see more for the young of the village.

102 Land behind the Bowling club should be developed for recreational purposes.

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104 Any future land use should consider additional traffic implications - e.g. sports ground, Caldew School
I wanted to build a bungalow in Raughton Head but was told NO because there was NOT ONE!!

- 105 New buildings in recreation, sport and agriculture areas should be avoided
 106 More recreation area for young people
 107 Remove gorse bushes from the green and replace with something more attractive.
 108 Leave our open spaces
 109
 Maintain bike and/or small motor bike tracks on poor land - these have been popular in other areas.
 110 The open spaces of the village are an important asset but the general upkeep and maintenance should be a priority.
 111 Keep the Green
 112 Preserve open spaces
 113 It is essential to maintain the rural nature of Dalston Village and any attempts to spoil the rural nature - e.g. floodlights on the Rec. - should be opposed.
 114 Recreation and sport should be centered around Caldew School for community use.
 115 I filly oppose the Gaitsgill (could this be Greensyke -) leisure development - increased traffic, road system inadequate.
 116 The village is very fortunate to have such wide and excellent sporting and recreational facilities. The main danger is a decline in agriculture resulting in a change from village to Carlisle suburb
 117 Part of the Green and Kingsway for controlled parking
 118 It is important to preserve the areas currently designated for recreation and open space, like the show field, Green and Rec.
 119 A village needs space for recreation, sport and open spaces
 120 I would like to see the future development of the village play areas to include sports facilities, such as netball, activity course etc. but keeping in touch with child numbers.
 121 Agricultural Society Show field should be preserved
 122 Dalston Rec. could be improved
 123 Development of Cardewmires for water based activities
 124 Preserve open spaces for walking etc.
 125 The Green has potential to be better used e.g. Cricket pitch
 126 Leave open spaces as they are
 127 Better parking in Dalston village
 128 We should do more for the youth element
 129 There should be more cooperation between clubs and groups
 130 I would NOT like to see the open spaces used for housing
 131 Motorised vehicles should not use bridalways and footpaths
 132 Gaitsgill village needs a suitable play area for children given the considerable use that is made for the playgroup in the village hall. Raughton Head needs suitable indoor and outdoor facilities.
 133 More things for kids to do
 134 Preserve the agricultural ambience and avoid becoming a theme park
 135 Please tarmac the Caldew School car park to reduce dust in summer
 136 Do not want to see Dalston as a suburb of Carlisle
 137 Don't put too much land under recreation

Do you have any opinions about the location of telecommunications masts, wind farms and other aerial structures?

- 1 Keep within sensible limits
 2 Windfarms should be outlawed and current structures demolished.
 3 I like windmills
 4 Not in Lingey close Road
 5 Not in Lingey
 6 I believe we should encourage some form of recoverable energy
 7 Cables should be buried where possible.
 8 Nobody want them but we all want the benefits.
 9 Nothing can be worse than pylons
 10 No more
 11 I am sympathetic to the use of renewable energy and I use a mobile phone.

12 Don't mind where they go
13 Locate windfarms on Solway, no on land.
14 Everything that can be buried should be
15 Mobile reception in Dalston is not good.
16 Mobile reception is bad - more masts and it would improve.
17 Yes!! A telegraph pole was erected immediately opposite the entrance to my residence. My
subsequent appeal was dismissed out of hand.
18
19 Windfarms are a good source of energy & I would prefer those to having Sellafield on my doorstep.
20 OK if addressed
21 Wind farms do not produce enough power to justify environmental damage
22 They are alright in the right place.
23 Not within 3 miles of the village
24 Visual amenity more important than these things
25 No near my house in Gaitsgill!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
26 Yes (see Q20) I would simple like planning applications to be open and above board with objections
dealt with fairly.
27 I am all in favour of them. to hell with those who complain they spoil the view! We live in a world of
modern technology.
28 Too many already
29 NIMBI!
30 Not enough is done to make them discrete
31 Not in my garden thank you
32 Masts should be hidden by trees - wind farms add to the landscape and are beautiful
33 Communication (consultation) channels should be kept open on these issues - views must be listened
to. Financial gain is always behind such ventures
34 Somehow phone masts seem more intrusive than windmills.
35 Wind is not a reliable form of energy

What are your comments about Dalston Library?

36 We are the only registered child carers in the Parish. Would like to expand to offer more services
and child places.
37 Windfarms in particular are a blot on the landscape and not proven to be of benefit.
38 Extra facilities involve cost to the taxpayer which is not acceptable
39 Visual impact
40 Prefer city library
41 Becoming too commercial and losing something in the process
42 Modernisation within existing library
43 Prefer to use Carlisle - Dalston hours too restricted
44 More collections for garden waste
45 Village too big - no more houses
46 Library is perfectly adequate as it is
47 Re 13 - wheelie bins should be introduced for domestic waste
48 Excellent facilities in Carlisle
49 Dalston needs a new library
50 Mobile libraries are outdated and unprofitable.
51 It ought to be open in the evening once or twice a week. It is great that we have one.
52 Should be decided by those who use the library.
53 If there is a new library it should have modern facilities, but no urgent need
54 Use existing buildings - church House, Victory Hall, Caldew School

- 55 Convert the Church into a multi-use building. Don't need new buildings; think creatively about existing buildings/spaces - adapt/extend/modify!!! Draw people into one space - that will create a sense of community and successful focus for people of all ages. Secular/non-secular use needs to be actively considered in 21st Century. Developing a strong church community encompassing all ages would be better (ref Q67). Our churches are seriously unappealing to youth/middle aged families.]
- 56 Its fine
- 57 A larger selection of books would suffice
- 58 Youth intimidation - the group that loiters in the church Lych Gate
- 59 Agriculture brings filth, dirt and pollution to public highways. Masts and windfarms bring possible health risks.
- 60 Seems alright as it is apart from disabled access.
- 61 Extensive computer facilities would not be important
- 62 All OK as it is
- 63 that a hideous new build would be plonked somewhere central in Dalston and ruin the ambience of the village.
- 64 A new library building will cost money - better uses could be found
- 65 Get rid of heavy traffic through the village
- 66 Cost too high
- 67 Cost too high

What are your comments about the Dalston Recreation Ground?

- 1 Need mats tidying-up and fixing down again
- 2 Young people should be able to use the tennis courts
- 3 Tennis courts always shut
- 4 More co-operation between the youth club + tennis club. also more village activities
- 5 More or better children's equipment would be good
- 6 Should do a young people's survey
- 7 More outdoor activities, rather than tennis courts
- 8 Community sports hall with gym and fitness centre
- 9 Adequate for the amount of use it gets
- 10 Multi purpose sports hall
- 11
- Children's play area is VERY inadequate. Must have a purpose build sports and community centre
- 12 Need a substantial building for the parish to use - functions, youth club, brownies, cubs etc. and to hire out for parties etc.
- 13 Sports hall
- 14 Nets & goalposts up all the year round
- 15 don't know where it is
- 16 Village stocks!!
- 17 A mini version of Bitts Park play area
- 18 Perhaps young children need to be 'minded'
- 19 Little for aged 10 +
- 20 Updated - maybe Alan Tichmarsh could be drafted in
- 21 Better use should be made of Caldew School
- 22 No, could become crowded and cause conflict.
- 23 A larger more adventurous structure
- 24 Depends on interest and genuine demand
- 25 All weather children's play area
- 26 An area for kids 1-6 to play as they may feel intimidated by older children being on equipment which they want to go on.
- 27
- I would like to see the play area on the Rec. clean, tidy and safe. It is often subject to vandalism.
- 28 New hut

- 29 Football pitch
 30 Football pitch
 31 It is a pity that we don't have ONE purpose built building to serve the various organisations in the village instead of buildings for tennis, youth club, bowls and the Victory Hall (which is not a very useful building).
 32 Ideally it should be situated at the Glave Hill end of the show Ground. The field adjacent to the Kingsway & the river would provide a good location for recreation facilities.
 33 Public tennis courts
 34 A better soft play area outside
 35 Better car parking
 36
 One collective building for all participating groups would be ideal - I have seen this in other villages.
 37 New Rec. hall instead of old youth hut
 38 The Rec. could be much better utilised. A proper recreation hall would be of considerable use.
 39 Better facilities for U12s. Tennis club open to all, not just members. Drop in sessions in hut during school hols.
 40 Better lighting
 41 Advice drop-in clinic
 42 Sports team for netball and hockey
 43 Mobile shop in summer; summer holiday activities
 44 Move playground to the rear and keep cars to the front away from young children.
 45 More policing in summer
 46 Seasonal kiosk for snacks/drinks during school holidays
 47 It is too small for youth type events which could endanger young kids.
 48 More things to do

Comments relating to the distance respondents are prepared to walk from their car to the shop or business.

- 1 Live in Square
 2 Safety and Visibility are the main issues when you have children
 3 Walk everywhere
 4 always walk
 5 always walk
 6 As long as it takes
 7 I walk to the Square every day - I think more people should walk and encourage their children to do the same
 8 Depends on ones health
 9 Depends on the amount of shopping to be carried
 10 Walk from home
 11 What a stupid question
 12 Walk everywhere
 13 Depends on the weather
 14 Unable to walk any distance
 15 Depends on how much shopping I have
 16 Depends on the weather
 17 Live in Square. Not a problem
 18 10 in rain; 200 if fine!
 19 Not so far with toddlers
 20 Jubilee gardens
 21 Less with the children
 22 I cycle and rarely park in Dalston Square
 23 Usually walk unless it is raining
 24
 If I had to walk too far then the local services would no longer be convenient so I would go elsewhere/

Comments relating to the provision of additional car parking.

- 1 More people should use the car parks which are provided.
- 2 Not necessary if people use Glave Hill properly
- 3 Survey how long cars are parked in various locations
- 4 Better organised White Bridge parking for summer visitors
- 5 Improve White Bridge area
- 6 There is adequate parking - esp. in car parks
- 7 Close remaining part of Kingsway to traffic after making a car park at the top
- 8 Having seen the plan I am concerned about the reduced parking in the Square
- 9 The Square
- 10 No more parking - use cars less
- 11 Back to lengthways parking outside the PO
- 12 Should be better organised and stop illegal parking
- 13 Maximise Square spaces; stop park and ride and provide more spaces out of the Square
- 14 Under ground!
- 15 Not at expense of environment
- 16 Organise the Square parking better using good design and materials
- 17 Enough already
- 18 School at weekends
- 19 Difficult - more parking would probably mean more parked cars. Therefore NO
- 20 No, unless knock down Blain's Garage and increase the size of Glave Hill. This would make a good site for Farmer's Markets etc without bothering the Square.
- 21 More grasscrete along Green
- 22 Need more cycle parking places.
- 23 Not in favour if Kingsway as it would spoil walk to White Bridge.
- 24 Parking adequate if used properly
- 25 More required by must be near the centre
- 26 Not sure - if we were all a bit more considerate, then extra parking might not be necessary
- 27 I would like to see parking used in a more sensible way
- 28 I'm happy with the parking
- 29 No - Glave Hill is underused
- 30 Victory Hall
- 31 Non required if park and ride is discontinued in the Square
- 32 There is plenty of parking. Many cars can be parked on the Kingsway. That is no too far for most people to walk. Parking on the Square should be time limited through the day.
- 33 Field opposite Victory Hall
- 34 Glave Hill / Blains - long stay; Kingsway - 2 hours; Smithfield 30 mins
- 35 No more land taken up with parking
- 36 Not necessary if people from businesses parked their cars in the car park instead of the Square
- 37 I was sorry that the nose-to-pavement parking changed outside the post office
- 38 No more parking. Stop the people leaving their cars all day in the Square
- 39 Force parking away from schools AND THEN WALK
- 40 Long stay area
- 41 2 or 3 places in front of the dentist could be designated for disabled parking

Comments relating to traffic, transport or parking issues.

- 1 Badly designed parking in Square resulted in 2 accidents to my car
- 2 I try to use Dalston shops, but if parking became more of a problem, then would go to Carlisle instead.
- 3 Please review links between school and other parts of Dalston for cyclists
- 4 Reorganising the Square is long overdue; pavement delineating main road is vital.
- 5 One day there will be a fatal accident outside the schools.

6 Drop off point needed for St Michael's school
7 Excessive speed through Stockdalewath can be a problem
8 Love the Square to be a traffic free area with seating and flower beds
9 Excess speed indicator approaching the Square quite inappropriate and unnecessary
10 Speed indicator not required
11 To many restrictions would result in problems for local business and would be detrimental to village life.
12 to reduce the amount of parking in the Square significantly would cause more problems than it solves.
13 Parents should drive their children to school
14 No public transport from Stockdalewath to Dalston - hope future developments will not penalise young mothers with children coming to Dalston to shop etc.
15 Mark-out Glave Hill. Better still extend into the Show Field
16 Re-routing of bus services up Townhead Road
17 Get rid of parking on Station rd by Corner Shop
18 Do not turn Dalston into a Carlisle park and ride spot
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20 Not enough parking along Carlisle Road. Nowhere to cross safely between co-op and Bridge End
21 Poor visibility from Square
22 Poor visibility from the Square
23 Never introduce pay and display
24 This 30 mph at Buckabank, then to 40 at Bridge End and then to 30 again in Dalston - WHAT A LOAD OF RUBBISH!
25 Heavy lorries seem to have returned
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27 On going problem of excessive traffic/lorries using Bridge End/Durdar Road - weight, size and speed
28 Provide HGV permits for local haulers - plenty of other precedents
29 Centre of Dalston needs to be made prettier. Safety should be paramount. Heavy traffic causing real problems on small roads.
30 More parking on the estates for visitors
31 Parking outside of schools very dangerous
32 Very bad parking on estates is a problem - buses, cars etc.
33 Bad parking on estates
34 Pelican Crossing outside co-op
35 Why are there no slow signs coming into the village from Carlisle?
36 More grit bins near housing in Nook Lane
37 Put a limit on the number of children that attend the primary schools from outside the area
38 Parking space within the village has not increased in line with development
39 Still too many huge lorries going over the bridge at Bridge End
40 Inconsiderate parking opposite St Michael's school - covering driveways etc.
41 Make the Square a NO parking zone and reveal original cobbles.
42 Use cars less
43 Traffic warden at Ninerigg at school times
44 Traffic lights near Caldew school and bus shelter badly needed opposite St Michael's school
45 Bus shelter opposite St Michaels' school
46 Parking/congestion at school time is a major problem
47 What an inefficient Parish Council we must have if they are so out of touch they have to have an expensive survey like this to get their finger on the pulse!!
48 There is a need to maintain good short term parking in the Square to maintain the visibility of shops and businesses therein
49 Remember the need to use the Church gate for funerals and weddings
50 Stiff fines for people who double park in front to bakers. Usually they are not elderly or unfit
51 Stop speeding on Carlisle road, parking outside Nestles and Caldew School
52 Everything is fine as it is. There is no need for more parking, esp. not along the Kingsway where daffodils are growing

51 speeding on Townhead Road and the Green
52 Speeding on Green and Townhead Road
53 Lots of opportunities to make the area more attractive
54 Speed humps along the Green.
55 HGVs still causing a problem, ignoring regulations and the police
56 Leave the Square alone
57 Parking at the schools is inconsiderate and dangerous. Access to the housing estates is frequently blocked and at all times access for emergency vehicles is impossible.
58 A slower speed limit on the bank at Bridge End
59 Bus stop near co-op badly sited - I had a near miss when a car reversed over my shopping bag and a baby's push chair.
60 More development in Dalston will lead to more traffic congestion.
61 The parking outside both schools at 'school time' is extremely dangerous!!! Parking on double yellow lines, across the pavement with or without the engine running is not only dangerous, but also illegal, and it happens all the time.
62 A 30mph speed limit and a weight restriction is needed in RAUGHTON HEAD immediately.
63 Bus fares to Carlisle are excessive
64 Quicker buses to Carlisle
65 Walkway into station, potholes and very badly lit. Prominent white lines and cat's eyes needed from Peter lane to Dalston
66 Heavy vehicles using RAUGHTON HEAD as a short cut.
67 We don't want the centre of the village to look like a suburb of Carlisle
68 Large public services vehicles using Nook Lane (coaches)
69 Lorry ban has improved the quality of life along the B road through the Village. Speed seems to be reduced too. Original plans to slow traffic through the Square needed.
70 Ban any more HGVs. Congestion outside schools.
71 Too many HGVs
72 The Square could be made far more attractive - The Blue Bell could have floral adornments. There is a flourishing Gardening club but the village does not reflect this. A Christmas tree might be nice too.
73 Leave Square unspoilt and provide parking on Kingsway
74 People should walk more - it will keep them fit. We have a nice Square - reduce parking and leave the rest for walking
75 Schools should be for Parish children only
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Could there be a cheaper bus fare for teenagers? This would cut down on parental transport, cut the traffic in the village, encourage the habit of using public transport and cut down on pollution.

Physical measures to slow down the traffic which are in keeping with the village would be helpful. Continuation of the lorry ban is essential and cheaper bus fares for young people would be beneficial.

The urbanisation of the Square would encourage more youths to congregate on an evening. It would be a purpose built playground and exacerbate existing problems.

mark out parking spaces in Square. Don't stop parking outside PO

There are a lot of people in Dalston that need to park near the shops. Workers and other fit locals should be encouraged to park elsewhere

There must be adequate car parking in Dalston. Public transport will never be viable in the scattered rural surroundings.

Would like to see additional parking for the Dalston schools and traffic calming measures
do NOT paint yellow lines in Square with their attendant signs
Some guide lines might help in the Glave Hill car park as often it is difficult to get out.
The traffic up to Cumdivock Church is too heavy for the road. the verges get ruined by heavy lorries and there is little consideration for pedestrians/cyclists.

some of the initial plans for the Square reduce parking too much. Street furniture would detract from the appearance of the Square which I believe is little different from historical pictures of the area.

- 87 Too many vehicles left for long periods in Dalston Square and Glave Hill and HGVs breaking law regularly.
- 88 Too many people use the parking facilities as an extension to their office or home.
- 89 The Square should not be the main village car park. It should be returned to a pleasant place with limited parking only.
- 90 Speeding traffic on Carlisle Road a serious problem. 1 children now live in village House and crossing the road is like running the gauntlet. Usually cars exiting the village speed up before the bridge.
- 91 How about a small but with disabled facilities going round the estates - minority would use this
- 92 Needs to be speed restrictions between Nestles and the Green
- 93 Speeding is a problem. Parking in the Square needs to be enhanced and monitored by a community warden - issue Dalston Cockerel parking disks.
- 94 3 sets of traffic lights might help - 1. Carlisle Road, Square original crossing and Green
- 95 Need for heavy goods traffic down Station Rd to reduce speed as elderly cannot cross quickly
- 96 More cycles parking, preferably near Caldew School.
- 97 The speed warning on the Green does little to reduce speed in 60% of cases. speed on Station road is also excessive.
- 98 We need a light operated crossing in the Square
- 99 Blind junction (Carlisle Rd/Cardewlees Rd) needs some warning or restriction
- 100 Traffic calming from the Green to Station Rd
- 101 Not aware of any plans
- 102 Parking should not be allowed at all for the schools on Carlisle Road and collections of children from school ground only
- 103 Parking is a problem for residents of Carlisle Rd, Ninerigg and even Low Moorlands, which creates of lot of congestion.
- 104 Parking to shop must be available. Keep long term parking out of the Square
- 105 A local service bus could do a run up Townhead Road, left at Nook Lane to Lakerigg and down to Bridge End on certain week days to accommodate the new housing estates as well as the existing ones.
- 106 Lorries still coming through Dalston
- 107 People parking outside the Corner Shop create a serious hazard. Perhaps the nursery owner could be approached to help here. Even Derek has to park in front of his door as there is no-where else for him - he used to be able to park down the side.
- 108 Not happy about cars, vans etc. parking on pavement outside corner shop. Pedestrians struggle to stay on the pavement and have to walk on road.
- 109 Bad parking at the Corner Shop. Make grass area outside Smithfield into lay by. Make pinch points at various points in village to slow traffic and create crossing places - similar to Houghton
- 110 Mark parking places in the Square
- 111 I against more 'street furniture' which makes Dalston look less like a country village and more like a town
- 112 I am against further urbanisation of Dalston in the form of street signs, road markings etc.
- 113 All proposals for the future of Dalston become irrelevant in the face of the apparent non-enforcement of traffic regulations relating to speeding and parking
- 114 The main problem in Dalston is traffic control, indiscriminate parking and lack of parking spaces. Also constant parking on double yellow lines at Corner Shop - this is never stopped. Speeding is a great danger.
- 115 Speeding through the village parking in road outside surgery.
- 116 Not aware of plans!!
- 117 The people of Dalston must remember that it would not survive without passing trade or support from rural areas
- 118 I would like to see parking used in a more sensible way
- 119 Excessive speeding on country roads.
- 120 Excessive speeding on country roads.
- 121 20mph speed limit through village from Victory Hall to Nestles

- 122 I feel that it would be a mistake to restrict parking in the Square to a degree that it would adversely affect local businesses.
- 123 A parking limit of 1 hour should be in place in the village Square with areas for disabled residents ONLY nearest the shops.
- 124 Inconsiderate parking in estate opposite Caldew school. Repetitive use by Caldew buses and coaches thro' Laing's est. and persistent use by vehicles using estate as thro' road to avoid road junction on Station road
- 125 HGVs in Station road
- 126 Heavy traffic still on Station road- what has happened to the HGV ban?
- 127 Crossing at the Corner Shop is terrible.
- 128 Parking of parent's cars on Nine Rigg (3-4pm) is a hazard to estate and emergency services.
- 129 Inconsiderate parking by parents bringing children to school and cheeky response when requested to move slightly so that we can have access to our own drive. Also their inconsideration to the lady in the wheelchair - one lady refused to pull her car back slightly so said lady could have access to the kerb ramp so that SHE could meet her son from school. Wheelchair lady has to go not to the road all the time because of cars parked on the pavement.
- 130 Parking at school time is DANGEROUS - only a matter of time before a child is injured.
- 131
- I have a son-in-law who is disabled, who, travelling from Wigton to Dalston on the train, finds it difficult to get from the station to my house by wheel chair. There is no suitable exit from the station.
- 132 Would like heavily subsidised bus service between Carlisle and Dalston
- 133 Volume of traffic appears to be increasing. Traffic lights at junction of Station Road/Carlisle Road may be desirable in future - traffic, children and corner shop is a dangerous mix
- 134 Traffic extremely noisy in centre of Dalston and down the Green
- 135 School starting and finishing parking is disgusting
- 136 As a wheelchair user, cars parked on the pavement are a problem as well as illegal - who pays if they are scratched?
- 137 Earlier trains or buses
- 138 Low Moorlands and Nine Rigg - problems with through traffic speed - suggest speed bumps
- 139 Cyclists riding on pavements and school time parking.
- 140 Most people park for short periods in the Square, so unfair to charge. School needs parking for picking and dropping off children. Houses on estate must be more tolerant.
- 141 I think that a better parking scheme could be devised by experts. All day parking in the Square should be prohibited.
- 142 It is sad that the Square is thought of as a parking area. Perhaps creative ways can be found to change the thinking.
- 143 At the present moment we have a good parking area in the Square, which wants white lines.
- 144 1. Yellow lines on Station Rd too extensive, too near bend in road; 2. Unofficial park and ride operating in Dalston by non-residents resulting in shortage of space for shoppers; 3. HGV ban not full enforced by police [DC]
- 145 More police and speed traps
- 146 Over 60% of St Michael's pupils travel to school by car yet there is no real parking provision.
- 147 Yellow lines are needed at the surgery before there is a serious accident
- 148 Speeding by some vehicles along Dalston Green and through the Square is still a problem. This includes HGVs and large tractors often with large heavily loaded trailers.
- 149 More 30mpg signs on Green - more flashing 30mpg beyond playing field and play area.
- 150 Enforce the lorry ban
- 151 The ban on heavy lorries in the village is largely ignored. Can pressure not be put on the police to take action on this issue?
- 152 Traffic calming measures from the Rec. to the Square and through to the schools.
- 153 Speeding; enforce HGV ban - a big accident is waiting to happen.
- 154 Please do not paint parking spaces in the Square
- 155 30mph road marking with broad white/red boxes painted on the road along the Green
- 156 Not 100% sure that there is any real problem with traffic apart from school arrivals and departures. Parking could be better provided for.

- 157 Whilst I would not want Dalston to become a museum (and I see no sign of this happening) its current character is its greatest asset and should be conserved at all cost.
- 158 a) Dangerous to turn out of Station road, by corner Shop, due to poor sight-lines & speed of traffic leaving the Square. (b) Traffic leaving the Square southbound along the Green still exceeding speed limit - often up to 50/60 mph
- 159 Unsafe to push a pram or a wheelchair along Carlisle Rd (opposite schools) or down Nine Rigg (we should not have to resort to using the road).
- 160 Not aware of any plans
- 161 Parking on Nine Rigg at school time is awful
- 162 Slow the speed of traffic along the Green. The 30mph sign is useless, in the wrong place and no-one takes any notice.
- 163 Why are there speeding restrictions along the Green and no restrictions along Carlisle Rd? Also the traffic leaving Caldew Sports Field at nights - the speed out of the field and along the road is disgusting.
- 164 More control of HGVs
- 165 I would not like to see parking spaces painted in the Square
- 166 I have considerable concern about any changes to the present unbollarded square being proposed and hope that nothing is allowed to obstruct the present area in any way.
- 167 Get on with it
- 168 Pavement parking is a problem
- 169 I am a lorry driver and have to use Station Road a lot where I encounter bad parking for the Corner Shop which makes my job harder and more dangerous.
- 170 Extra parking on show field might encourage people not to park on the road/pavement on the bend by the surgery. What about double yellow lines there?
- 171 Need a pelican crossing outside the school and in the square
- 172 Traffic through Dalston much too fast esp. 8.30 to 9.00am.
- 173 School traffic in Ninerigg is a big problem and should be addressed soon.
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- Parents of school children should be encouraged to park in designated areas and walk to school.
- 175 There is enough traffic in Dalston. No more please.
- 176 Unacceptably high level of traffic passing through Buckabank, both cars and HGVs. Noise and vibrations cause acute nuisance. THIS MUST BE SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED.
- 177 Sunday evening buses, no one or very few seem to use them.
- 178 Against any changes
- 179 Encourage people to walk, use public transport.
- 180 I fear Hawkesdale Bridge is over used. Signs of break through on Durdar side and a bowing of the wall tops on bridge.
- 181 Get rid of all day parking in the Square
- 182 Village areas such as Gaitsgill and Raughton Head do not have signs to limit speeds.
- 183 Notices to ensure that car park is only used for long stay periods e.g. park and ride, to free up the Square; disables parking only outside the Building Society.
- 184 Increase speed limit along the Green to 40mph
- 185 Need some disabled parking
- 186 Too many drivers insist they park in the Square and do not seem to be able to walk any distance at all.
- 187 7 tonne weight limit necessary on Bridge End bridge
- 188 Residential parking in the Square is a problem
- 189 Slow sign along Green is effective
- 190 Problem for pedestrians at Corner Shop
- 191 Parking on pavements

Comments relating to the identity of Dalston Parish.

- 1 Youth shelter a good idea but vandalism problem
- 2 If your face fits you have a chance, otherwise no chance.

3 If Dalston is allowed to grow it will lose its village uniqueness.
4 Confusion in this questionnaire between Dalston Parish and Dalston Village
5 Too much car parking outside the schools - they will not use the parking provided.
6 Parking on Madam Banks not good enough - plenty of grass which could be used for parking - would save cutting in the summer time.
7 Since the 1950s the number of farms has dropped by at least 80% & the number of people living in the parish, but working elsewhere, has probably gone up by more than 80%. Also the pubs used to be more important socially. There just seems to be a slight decline in personal contact and camaraderie.
8 Possibly Dalston Village has identity - not noticeable outside in the parish areas.
9 Dalston perhaps too much of a retirement village - estates helping to redress. Starter homes vital - affordable.
10 It needs re-defining and a shake-up. If community is important then it should be more visible. Buy local, buy better
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12 There is a strong sense of community which is very special. Any changes should bear this in mind as communities are so easily destroyed by planning vandalism, which we have experienced.
13 Need a permanent room for nursery school. Victory Hall should have a permanent bar in the main hall
14 Cumbrian and non-Cumbrian residents mix very well in Dalston
15 Some evidence of lack of trust and understanding among many that I know, and that people are judged on their 'status'. Beautiful place to live.
16 Great place to live - leave well alone. A period of inactivity from the Parish Council would be welcome
17 Don't like the cockerel very much and its motto is cheesy but not that really
18 Most of this has nothing to do with Raughton Head Parish. In comparison, Dalston could be a suburb of Carlisle
19 It is important to preserve the village and not become a dormitory of Carlisle
20 Please put a stop to hunting for rabbits on the Green and by the river. Youths with ferrets, dogs, stocks and air rifles frequent these public areas most days. It is very distressing for families and young children.
21 Stop hunting on the village green - need village policeman
22 Include the teenagers of the community. Some attitudes are very small minded esp. when welcoming so called 'townies' into the parish
23 Thanks for the opportunity to comment. A lot of small town mentality in Dalston; new residents not always welcome, especially if young.
24 Not sure how the new housing have integrated into community life & how many households look to Carlisle for social and other commitments
25 Diversity of landscape and buildings. Variety of income groups with reasonable contact between members of the various income groups, with no 'ghettos'
26 Dalston must continue to develop and change otherwise it will become a dormitory like other villages.
27 Emblem does not characterize the Dalston people
28 Give Ian Turnbull a medal for the cartoon on the front cover!
29 The Parish council needs to think more about the young - they are the future.
30 Helpful friendly people - lovely to live here
31 I like the quiet of Dalston and especially the spring flowers - keep up the good work.
32 The motto seems good but the cockerel seems hostile
33 thank you to the Parish Council for all their unpaid efforts and their hours of voluntary work
34 The worst thing about living in Dalston is the poor level of service ion the co-op
35 Dalston is a lovely place to live
36 Outsiders are not particularly welcome
37 Beautiful place to live
38 Keep the Square as it is - whatever might be done, don't make it look urban.

38 Dalston PC does a good job in helping the village, but the people of Dalston need to take more part to help with the Parish

39 Apart from the PP it is difficult to find out what is happening in the village

40 While many organisations flourish, this is often due to the efforts of the same core of people. A considerable number of residents just use the Parish to sleep and make little or no contribution to the community.

41 Glad to be here

42 We let too many people from outside the parish use our schools and doctors

43 Some loss of community by building too much. Therefore further building should be seriously considered. Quite a few young people have been forced to leave the area because they could not get houses in the village. But outsiders could manage to move here.

44 Dalston is growing to such a size it is in danger of losing the community spirit and I feel very strongly that it cannot sustain further development

45 Response to Greensyke is illustrative of community strength. Role of PC was exemplary.

46 Although I have lived here for 7 years, I still do not know what the identity of Dalston is

47 More should be done by the golf, tennis and bowling clubs to encourage people to participate - esp. young people to stop them hanging about in the village. A sports complex would be considered with possible help from Sport England.

48 Only lived here for 6 years but love it very much

49 On the whole, a friendly welcoming village and a caring community

50 A beautiful village with mostly caring people

51 Questionnaire is too long

52 Can we have a 'family litter' picker on walks? Nook Lane and outer roads around Dalston could do with some attention-we would help.

53 It is inevitable that Dalston will be swallowed up by Carlisle. so, surely landscaping, building and provision of un-needed services will just accelerate this?

54 Wonderful place to learn/live

55 Another bridge between White Bridge and Cummersdale. Dalston is a great place to live

56 Not really in favour of much change

57 Just leave things as they are

58 There is a general and noticeable friendliness in Dalston

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There seems to be too much thought on the physical improvement of Dalston and ignoring of the intimidation of older people. E.g. the constant destruction of hedges on property in Station Rd which seems to be aimed at particular residents. There are times during school holiday, Halloween & Christmas when it is uncomfortable to go outside after dark, and especially after 10.00pm

60 Its a great place to live - beautiful, good sense of community, good facilities. Need to avoid temptation to stop all development (the drawing on the front & and the phrasing of many questions seem to suggest a strong determination to prevent any development at all).

61 Please don't let Dalston become awash with trendy instant housing & wine bars. Keep the present feel

62 Get a motto-cross track somewhere close

63 We need a weekly market - not just a Farmer's Market

64 Keep the community safer

65 Seats along the cycle path would be nice as a lot of elderly people walk there

66 Keep the rural character of the village - avoid turning it into a twee suburb of Carlisle (per the Square proposals)

67 Dalston is NOT a suburb of Carlisle - must be avoided

68 Youths are seen as outcasts - people are often reluctant to cater for them. The Parish is quite old fashioned in its views. This questionnaire is aimed at over 16s and so proves the point that the Parish has no respect for teenagers and disregards their opinions

69 The rural community supports the village, but the village doesn't support the rural community.

70 Can we have Benefits Advice like Antoinette Ward provides in Caldbeck

71 Its a lovely village - please don't spoil it.

72 Don't change the character of Dalston

73 Please don't spoil the lovely character of this village. It is very friendly and a lovely place to live.
74 Pain the Cockerel on the Lamp
75 Can hedge clippings be swept-up?
76 Farm hedge clippings are a bit of a problem which curtails cycling. In January a 90 year old woman
was stranded in her motorised wheel chair due to a puncture caused by thorns.
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It will be very difficult to bring about improvements without spoiling the rural nature of Dalston. I don't
think that it would be easy to achieve. Most residents don't want Dalston to look like a small town.
78 New commercial buildings to be avoided unless associated with rural enterprises. A country village
atmosphere must be maintained.
79 It is a lovely village and should stay much as it is
80 Keep it the way it is now
81 Could the White Bridge be cleared up this spring?
82 Maybe 95 is the wrong question. A totem may be fine for Dalston but is not necessarily inclusive of
others in the parish but OUTSIDE the village - it may actually be EXCLUSIVE. Don't forget many of
the children at St Michael's / Caldew do not live in Dalston village and there is a temptation to be
insular. Also, people moving into the village - do they become a black red?
83 If the Parish wishes to retain its present (?) it should resist the spread of urbanisation
84 I am not a 'conservative' - i.e. am prepared to accept change etc. But we have a fairly good situation
at present and it could easily be damaged by insensitive development. More or anything means
more traffic.
85 Dalston Parish has a nice identity, but it is taken for granted by some of the young people. Also,
please do something about the entrance to the station (road surface etc.)
86 Dalston will lose its identity if it gets too large.
87 Need to retain the village ethos not to become a suburb of Carlisle
88 NO WAY !!!!!!!!!!!!!
89 Maintain its current character. No major housing or industry. Leave us as we are.
90 Village has been 'polluted' by too many outsiders who want to live in a rural community but don't
contribute to the essence of the village. Qs 88-96 - I would like to answer differently but we are in
danger of losing out identity.
91 We have a beautiful Parish with a wonderful community spirit - if only we could get this across to the
youngsters.
92 Provide a by-pass
93 The PC should have a representative from every estate and should have lived in the village for at
least 5 years. Also, listen to some of the younger ones.
94 The Square Regeneration Scheme - don't you think that moving the bus stop will create traffic
problems. At present the bus can move off the main road.
95 People who have lived in the village most of their lives are treated badly by people who move into
the village. People who have just moved into the village think that they should run the village and
change everything without thinking.
96 Markets in Square a good idea - should be able to block off part of Square for special events.
97 It is becoming suburban and needs a lively leader from the Parish Church to galvanise the
community into social action and support all its members.
98 Convert the Church into a multi-use building. Don't need new buildings; think creatively about
existing buildings/spaces - adapt/extend/modify!!! Draw people into one space - that will create a
sense of community and successful focus for people of all ages. Secular/non-secular use needs to
be actively considered in 21st Century.
99 Make much better use of existing buildings before building new ones. Ref Q95 - used to be true but I
feel that it has been sadly lost.
100 If Greensyke is found to be unsuitable, it is hoped that a suitable site can be found for such a
valuable enterprise.
101 Would like a cash machine in Dalston and I miss the butcher!
102 Ref Q8 - The common areas owned by the PC are a neglected disgrace at the moment.
103 Encourages good neighbours and friendliness

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Gives you the sense of being part of a village community where people turn out to help each other.

105 The more housing is developed the more the village changes and loses its identity

106 Existing dropped pavements are not flush with roads and causes expensive damage to back axles of mobility scooters & steering difficulties getting up and over.

107 We must preserve our historic village image and atmosphere and avoid Dalston area becoming a yuppie satellite for Carlisle and elsewhere.

108 It is indeed a very beautiful village

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The community is changing. How many village children educated at St Michaels and Caldew live here as adults? It has become a village for ageing people! How do incomers with young children become part of the Dalston community and develop relationships? Through schools, the Church and social activities. Need to review and inspire developments between community and various groups.

110 Dalston tries hard to make it a nice place. The Dalston Show is still a good thing. I would like to see, perhaps, lights at Christmas and perhaps some kind of summer Fair.

111 Dalston is a lively healthy community and needs to continue to be so. This kind of consultation is excellent and has fostered several discussions about the future of the Parish.

112 Do not allow overdevelopment of our Parish

113 does it really embrace the 'newcomers' to the village?

114 Sense of community diminishing as village gets bigger.

115 The true motto of Dalston always has been 'Whilst I live I Crow' The Dalston 'Black Reds' based on the Black Red Cockerels - bred here for cock fighting in days gone by.

116 Dalston parish is made-up of many segments - each with their own needs. Dalston Village is the large centre - Gaitsgill, as the other hamlets, has its own special needs.

117 To preserve the good identity of Dalston it will be necessary to solve the problems surrounding groups of youths.

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A good place to live! But, why can't pupils at Caldew stay inside school grounds at lunch time. The ladies toilets have yet again been vandalised and closed - more than likely done by teenage girls.

119 Is the motto not 'WHILST' instead of 'WHILE'?

120 Sorry, our parish is totally void of any identity

121 LIBRARY: a combination with a small/good quality tea shop would make the Library more central to the community - with the focus on being a meeting venue for small groups. Also, talks by local people would be interesting.

122 Far too many outsiders have far too much influence.

123 Youth intimidation - the group that loiters in the church Lych Gate. We are a unique people - groups of young people shouldn't crowd our individuality and ruin our parish.

124 Dalston is becoming a commuter belt.

125 Let us advertise ourselves more and improve our community spirit

126 Vehicle restrictions through Low Moorlands and Ninerigg would prevent thro' flow of traffic on a narrow estate road not conducive to being treated as a class A main road.

127 Not in favour of any more building development in Dalston Village

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129 Friendly shops. Very good health care and dispensary services.

130 Medical Group service is excellent

131 Too many youths are wandering around the village causing problems - damage to cars, pulling wreaths off doors, throwing eggs etc.. Also Caldew children still going into Cemetery during day. Still scrambler bikes on cycle track. Policeman in Square not really interested.

132 The discharge of sticky residue from Nestles should be addressed immediately. Residents at this end of the village should not have to put up with this.

133 Q44 - Church House ought to be gutted inside and entirely re-designed with a decent kitchen and proper meeting room included in the re-design.

134 Dalston considered for long time to have been a popular/fashionable village, convenient to Carlisle/Lake district/Solway Coast - Hopefully this will be maintained as a VILLAGE. Our personal/most important/adverse factor was to close the Dalston Police Station

135 Keep Dalston a rural village - no more new development
136 The older people and money element should stand aside to let the younger and other sectors come through and make the effort to bond with them
137 Emblem and motto are boastful
138 Not too keen on the motto
139 Peaceful village and beautiful. Need for more young ones to gather and socialise. Dalston isn't just for grown-ups. Young ones live in Dalston as well. Over White Bridge disgusting with dog mess - bridge should be renamed Dog **** Bridge!
140 Dalston parish is a good place to live/work; to change anything is to risk spoiling what we have; consider carefully before changing anything; do not get carried away by enthusiasm; respond to the enthusiasm of others critically.
141 It is a beautiful friendly village - it would be a pity to change it too much
142 In takes a long time for incomers to be accepted.
143 In the past!!
144 From the day we moved to Dalston 30 years ago we were made welcome. We hope that Dalston parishioners continue to welcome incomers - always.
145 The picture on the front looks good. No parking in the Square - wonderful!! 'The Dalston Shopping Precinct'
146 Dalston village centre should remain as it is - care must be taken to keep all new buildings sympathetic to the village.
147 Concentrate on looking after the assets that we already have in the Parish. Litter disgusting under the mill stream stone bridge - other side of White Bridge.
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Dalston parish is a very pleasant place to live in. Yes it misses certain luxuries but I live here because I prefer country/village living and can easily get to Carlisle and elsewhere for plenty of 'urban'. Please don't lets spoil Dalston Parish. It does not need to be Carlisle's 3rd satellite town.
149 The visual identity of the Square is important and should not be significantly altered, but changes might evolve slowly
150 We must strive to protect and enhance our much envied identity as a beautiful, progressive and friendly parish.
151 Dalston is not just an extension of Carlisle and many of the features mentioned in this survey prove that.
152 A pleasant place to live
153 Yellow lines have twice been painted on Carlisle road - why? No-one takes any notice of them. Also the signs on the lamp post are turned the wrong way by the kids messing about. Someone should patrol the area at school finishing time and make them move on. Why should the tax payer pay for jobs to be done for nothing, which is what is happening. ONCE AGAIN, THE GREEN SEEMS TO BE THE PRIORITY.
154 Why were the yellow lines put on Carlisle Rd and no waiting between 2.45 and 3.45 put on the lamp posts? They have been ignored from day one. Is it not the duty of the police to caution for illegal parking. It is how to get nearest to the school with no consideration for residents blocking our drive ways. The no waiting sign on the flashing light sign has been turned facing into a garden for the past 6 months.
155 Why are there no speed restrictions on Carlisle Road as it is fast becoming a RAT RUN for people entering the village and leaving the Caldew sports field?
156 It is a good place to live!
157 Chip shop and gym would be good
158 Having shops, library, dentist, doctor, vets and PO in the Square keeps village as a viable community.
159 Bush on footpath to Riverside Bridge overhanging; Hawkesdale bridge bush overhanging. Get out and see what needs doing.
160 Summer dance rotating around parish, using local bands and marquees, caterers etc. Early time for children, later time for adults.
161 Essential to maintain the rural nature of the village and not to create a small town
162 Essential to maintain the rural nature of the business

- 163 A good place in which to live
164 Quiet and peaceful
165 The HM at Caldew should have a walk into the village at lunch time and keep his pupils under control as they have no manners and throw their lunch papers everywhere.
166 Vandalism and lack of police. Church to care more for regular parishioners. Keep churchyard tidier and do something about the rabbits so people can put fresh flowers on graves. Relatives to be able to put personal items on gravestones without permission from outsiders.
167 Should remain a rural parish with no building or commercial developments. If the Morton development goes through the volume of traffic though Dalston will increase substantially. This would be unacceptable.
168 Keep Parish rural
169 Satisfied for 50 years
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171 Thank you for all the trouble that you have gone to to produce the Parish Plan. Its much appreciated.
172 Any further residential development will seriously threaten Dalston's identity as a village
173 Some sort of central focal point in the Square such as a fountain, tree or seat would be good
174 I find the village very pleasant and would be enhanced if the Square was given a more sympathetic treatment like trees, gardens, pots etc.
175 Dalston can never really be classed as a small village now in the Cumbrian style
176 I wish that there was more keep fit for the over 0s
177 It is a lovely village and I am proud to be here
178 Do not like 'motto'
179 This is the best village in Carlisle and district when every facility is taken into consideration, but please don't let it grow any bigger.
180 The village council need to be seriously proactive in reducing the HGVs that are using the village and the Durdar Welton road
181 Keep it the way it is
182 Too few opportunities for young people to buy affordable houses. Village becoming mainly commuting
183 Dog fouling on Station road