

Abbots Bromley Community consultation results

Traffic Plan Survey Results

The Community Consultation was sent out to all residents of Abbots Bromley
159 responses were received and are shown below.

The community consultation covers 4 Parish Council priorities-

- 1. Traffic Plan**
- 2. Neighborhood Plan**
- 3. "Bromley Bulletin"**
- 4. Burial Ground**

Responses for the Traffic plan Survey are summarized below.

QUESTIONNAIRE 1-TRAFFIC PLAN FOR ABBOTS BROMLEY PARISH

By far the most common complaints we receive are those relating to traffic and parking.

Despite meetings with Staffordshire Highways and District Councilors to discuss our traffic problems, it does not seem they will be addressed with the exception of the B5013 Rugeley Turn.

The Parish Council has decided, therefore, to try a different approach and put together its own traffic plan on behalf of residents.

There are recommended steps for doing this, and it may take 2-3 years to complete. One of the first steps is to form a working group which should include councilors, local residents, business representatives and key stakeholders.

Many residents have expressed concerns over the volume of traffic, the speed of traffic through the village and elsewhere in the parish, the weight of traffic, and parking issues such as parking on double yellows or in "pull in" places in the lanes.

The responses below were received-

1) Traffic Speed:

- Do you have concerns about traffic speed?
YES = 94% NO = 6%
- Has excessive traffic speed affected you personally?
YES = 63% NO = 37%
- Are there particular areas of the village/parish where you feel measures to reduce traffic speed are particularly needed?
YES = 90% NO = 10%

Areas where speed is a concern	
Bagot St/Utttoxeter Rd	26
Main street	83
Bromley Wood	1
Seedcroft Lane	1
Causeway	5
Village entrances	3
Goose Lane	4
School House Lane	12
Lichfield Rd	21

B5014	5
Ashbrook Lane	23
Goats Head corner and Buttercross	8
Uttoxeter Road	8
Yeatshill Lane	1

There is a range of measures that could be used to reduce traffic speed.

From the list below, **please circle up to three** that you would favour:

Chicane = 22

Right-in/right-out movement restriction =17

SID vehicle speed feedback sign = 65

Speed reduction markings = 28

Flashing beacons =14

Pedestrian crossing =34

Raised traffic island =5

Speed humps (sleeping policemen) =41

Speed cushions (rumble strips) =26

A raised area of road =28

Enhanced speed limit signage =52

Police speed detection device (which records registration numbers) =34

20mph speed limits =26

2) Traffic weight/size

- Do you have concerns about the weight or size of some vehicles?
- YES =85% NO =15%**

Reason for Concern around size/weight of vehicles	
House shakes	23
Congestion	2
Size	8
Damage to parked vehicles	8
Damage to underground pipes	1
Too few passing places for HGVs	6
Noise	7
Mounting pavements	3
Pedestrian safety	28
Speed	10
Speed, and size of HGVs and farm vehicles	21
Damage from heavy vehicles	8
Reluctance of large vehicles to pull in	1
Pollution	1
Narrow width of road	5

3) Parking

- Do you feel parking is a problem?
- YES = 92% NO =8%**

If "yes" please answer the following three questions:

- In what way is it a problem?
 - Pedestrian safety =**57**;
 - Congestion = **67**;
 - Obstructing driveways and entrances =**35**;

Obstructing the line-of-sight of other motorists etc =93

Areas identified where parking is a problem	
Main street	75
Goats Head corner	33
Goose Lane junction	6
Swan Lane	3
Miresbrook Lane junction	1
Nancy Talbot Close	1
Hall Hill Lane area of main street	4
Paget Rise junction	14
Ashbrook Lane junction	3
School House Lane	12
Church Lane junction	4
Ivy Close junction	1
Top Shop junction	4
Surgery	1
Church House	1
Dolphin Lane area	1
Top of Radmore Lane	1

Suggested solutions to parking problems	
Village car park	28
Double yellows at all junctions	3
Double yellows	18
Double yellows for passing points	9
Signed passing/pull in places	3
Reduce pavement width by Chapel	1
Weight limit	1
Speed limit reduction to 20mph	5
Localism Act – use to purchase	
Crown car park	1
Bollards in main street	1
Prevent parking and driving on pavement	3
Encourage walking to school	1
Traffic lights – main street	1
Numbered permit-only parking	
Spaces – main street	2
“No Parking” signs	1
Compulsory use of off-road parking	
for homes that have it	2
Planning consent needs to consider effect	
on whole village	1
Time restrictions for parking [day/night]	1
Pay-and-display visitors’ car park	1
Alternative route bypassing AB	2
Residents’ parking permits	2
Remove pavement on one side of main	
street and use for parking	1
Enforce double yellows	4
Pedestrian crossing at Goat corner	12
Community car park	10
Reduce speed limit	1

Redesign traffic-calming in Lichfield Rd	1
Stop parking close to junctions	2
More policing	1
Educate motorists via "Bulletin"	1
Fines	1
Double yellows by Goat/village green	5
Stop parking on bends	1
Priority system at School House Lane and	
Paget Rise junctions with main street	1
No more infill housing	1
Use old garage area in Swan Lane for parking	1
Traffic wardens	1

- Should action be taken against motorists for parking on footways, double yellows, pedestrian crossings, zigzags, and bus stops (apart from those who have a legal right to park there)?
YES = 92% NO =7% Not sure = 1%

4) Parking provision for domestic properties

Many older properties, particularly in the main street of Abbots Bromley, do not have off-road parking. The following questions relate only to new builds and alterations to current housing.

- Would you like to see planning consent refused if adequate off-road parking is not provided? (ESBC has a formula for establishing what "adequate" would be.)
YES =99% NO =1%
- Would you like our Neighbourhood Plan amended to prevent alterations to existing properties reducing off- road parking to what ESBC would consider inadequate?
YES =95% NO =5%
- Should all new builds be required to provide sufficient space for vehicles to turn round in order to enter and exit the property in a forward gear?
YES =79% NO =21%
- Should all new builds accessed directly from a main road be required to provide sufficient space for a delivery vehicle to turn round in order to enter and exit a property in a forward gear?
YES =70% NO =30%

5) ADDITIONAL COMMENTS RECEIVED

Additional comments [parking-related]	
Stop building new homes	2
Causes traffic to speed – dangerous	1
An increasing number of delivery vans	1
School "walking bus"	1
Need a village car park	6
Planners seem unaware of the problem	1
PC should have purchased Infinitii +	
Crown car parks	1
New builds should have 3+ parking bays	2
Reduce through-traffic	2
Cut back hedges to reveal road signs	1
Weight limit on main street	1
New developments should contribute to	

additional public parking	1
Speed restrictions at peak times	1
PCSO needs to intervene more	1

There is an opportunity for you to contribute ideas that may help with our Traffic Plan.

If you would like to be part of the Traffic Plan Working Group (no experience necessary - just a little free time) then please contact the Parish Clerk (parish.council@abbotsbromley.com) or Cllr Keith Baker (kbakerabpc@gmail.com)

Without your support the Traffic Plan will not proceed.
(Three volunteers)

The Abbots Bromley Parish Council
is most grateful to you for
completing these questionnaires.

With many thanks to “Top Shop” and “Antlers” for accepting completed booklets
Keith Baker