

14. The Big Issues

The residents of the Parish are proud of their Parish and happy to live here.

- * **94% of those giving an answer were proud of the Parish**
- * **99% of those giving an answer were happy here**

There are some big issues for the whole community.

Traffic

This was by far the most mentioned improvement requested by respondents. The speed, volume, lack of adequate control and noise puts our most vulnerable residents, the children and older residents (made up of 17% children and around 45% retired thus together representing a majority of the community), at risk and in fear of venturing out on bicycles and horses or crossing the road. Traffic reduces considerably the amenity and enjoyment of residents. Throughout the survey there are comments regarding traffic and its adverse impact on the community.



The Swan

This was the second most mentioned improvement requested by respondents, but also by far the most important change that residents would like to see. The Swan is regarded as detrimental to the village of Hanley Swan. The owners of the Swan, have been approached and appear to be indifferent to the residents' views. The residents would like to support the Swan and can see great potential for it in our community. It may be necessary for community action by the residents to resolve this issue.

Communication & Information

Many of the concerns of residents come down to poor communication and lack of availability of information. Many of the actions throughout this document are to ensure that communication is improved and information is available from the Parish website, in the Post Offices and in the Parish newsletter.

