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STANLEY

TOWN COUNCIL

**Strategic
Town Plan
2009 - 14**



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Foreword

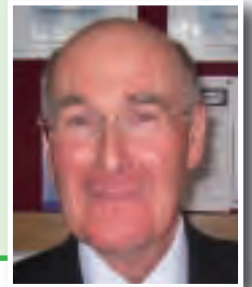
This Strategic Town Plan sets out the substance behind Stanley Town Council's vision, aims and objectives and the manner in which the Council intends to be an advocate for local people and a catalyst for real and lasting change.

As a new Council, the contents focus closely on public consultation during 2008, numerous meetings with service managers during 2009 and cognisance of local, regional and national priorities and the constantly evolving financial and political environment.

Therefore the Strategic Town Plan is a 'living' document intended to help drive positive change over the medium and longer terms, and of behalf of the Council, I commend its contents to all concerned.

Tom Pattinson

Chair of Stanley Town Council (2009-10)



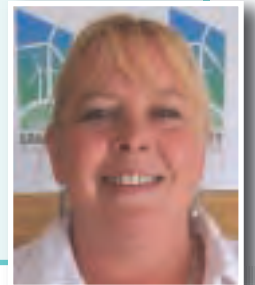
Having been connected to community groups and active in local representative and participative democracy for many years, I am acutely aware of the need for effective co-ordination of much of the excellent work undertaken in a disparate fashion by numerous local bodies.

The recent formation of Stanley's own local council provides a vehicle to improve such co-ordination and the opportunity for 'real' people to hold those who serve their local area to account through their democratically elected representatives.

This document demonstrates that the Council is strongly committed to community engagement in order to ensure that local peoples' priorities are translated into tangible action in their neighbourhoods.

Tina-Marie Parry

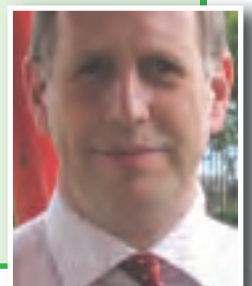
Vice-chair of Stanley Town Council (2009-10)



As Clerk and 'Proper Officer' to the Council I am responsible for ensuring that such plans become an operational reality through the efficient administration of related decisions and policies and the effective management resources. However, perhaps even more important will be my ability to engage with key partners and link the Council's work to the achievement of their own respective targets. In this regard, the recent vesting of a unitary County Council, the formation of the (Stanley) Area Action Partnership and the development of a Local Area Agreement that is co-terminous with a restructured County Strategic Partnership genuinely leads me to conclude that all the building blocks are finally in place.

Russell Morgan

Clerk to Stanley Town Council



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1. Stanley Town Council: Strategic Town Plan 2009-14

Stanley Town Council was created by Statutory Instrument (No: 1185, Local Government, England) dated the 11th April 2007 in direct response to a public petition by residents of the Stanley area. During 2008, the newly elected Councillors decided to produce this document to gain a comprehensive understanding of the area so as to develop a strategy that aims to meet the real needs of local people. The strategy is to be implemented during the period 2009-14. The Town Council set its first precept during the later stages of 2008-09 and became officially operational at the beginning of financial year 2009-10.



The Town Council acknowledges the help and support of the former Derwentside District Council, the Durham Rural Community Council (DRCC), acclaimed local historian Mr. Jack Hair and numerous local residents in the compilation of this document which primarily aims to provide an overview of the opinions of people living or working in the area as the basis for a plausible overall strategy.

It is intended to use this document as evidence of local peoples' views and needs to inform potential funders, policy makers, service providers and planners as well as supporting the work of local groups, agencies and associations in developing projects or funding bids to address local priorities, as identified during the extensive consultation process.

1.1 Aim

The Strategic Town Plan provides a picture of the communities living and working within the seven Town Council wards of: Annfield Plain, Catchgate; Craghead and South Stanley; Havannah; Stanley Hall; South Moor, and; Tanfield within a document that examines the demographic profile, views and aspirations of residents alongside the services and facilities available to them.

1.2 Objectives

- To carry out a socially inclusive consultation process with the residents of the area;
- To provide Stanley Town Council with evidence of local need adding substance to its overall strategy, and;
- To demonstrate the rationale behind the development of a realistic, outcome focused and consultation based 'Action Plan'.

2. The Town Council in Context

The Town Council is based on a new geographical boundary established in May 2008. New parish or town council areas can be set up in one of two ways. The district or borough council can recommend to the government that a new parish or town council area be established, or, the local community can petition for one. The latter being the case in Stanley.



As mentioned above, it was agreed that the Town Council would incorporate the seven wards of: Annfield Plain; Catchgate; Craghead and South Stanley; Havannah; Stanley Hall; South Moor, and; Tanfield. Following local government reorganisation in County Durham these 'wards' became co-terminous with the new unitary County Council's four 'electoral divisions' of: Stanley; Craghead and South Moor; Annfield Plain, and; Tanfield and the area covered by the (Stanley) Area Action Partnership.

The map below shows the boundary of the parish of Stanley which is located in the North West of the County of Durham in the North East of England. Whilst the parish is centred on the town of Stanley itself it also covers the many surrounding communities of: Annfield Plain; Catchgate; Harelaw;

Harperley; Greencroft; Ox Hill; New Kyo; East Kyo; West Kyo; Craghead and the Middles; South Moor; Quaking Houses; East Stanley, South Stanley; Shield Row; Kip Hill; Coppy; Causey; Tanfield; Tanfield Lea; Clough Dene; Tantobie; Sleepy Valley; White-Le-Head, and; part of Flint Hill. This amounts to an area of 36.5 square kilometres (approximately 14 square miles). Approximately 31,000 people live within the area which makes it one of the largest local councils in the Country.

The Town Council was formed as an administrative entity after the most recent national census in 2001 which makes it difficult to apply accurate statistical data at this stage. However, by adding together identical data sets for the aforesaid seven wards a fairly accurate picture of the area as a whole can be established.

More recent data which refers to specific parts of the Town Council's overall area, known as 'super output areas', can be accessed from governmental sources such as the Index of Multiple Deprivation. However, this document is intended to be inclusive of the whole area and therefore only fully representative data has been utilised.

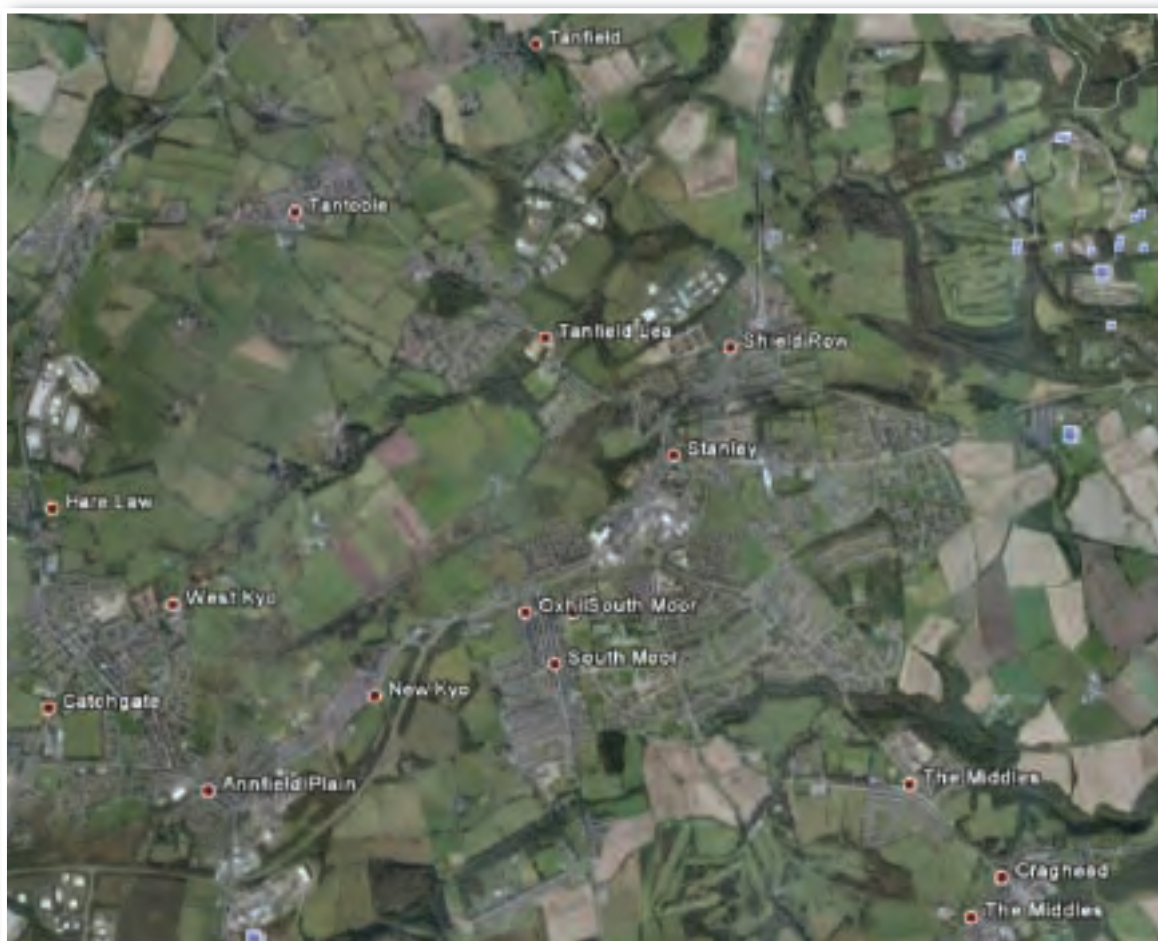


2.1 Population

In 2001, 36% of the population of the former District Council area of Derwentside lived within what is now the Town Council area of Stanley. The parish itself had a population of approximately 31,000 whilst Derwentside as a whole had a population of 85,074. 51% of the population was female and 49% male which was representative of the district and region. As mentioned above, it should be noted that this represents one of the largest parishes in terms of population in England. Stanley Town Council therefore has the potential to be of particular significance both regionally and nationally.

as a whole is significantly higher than the region and national picture. The area represented by Stanley Town Council is higher still.

General Health	Stanley Town Council (%)	Derwentside District (%)	North East (%)	England (%)
Good	58.7	61.39	64.32	68.76
Fairly Good	26.4	25.20	23.70	22.21
Not Good	14.9	13.41	11.98	9.03



There is also a significant percentage of the population with a limiting long-term illness. For example 58.7% of Stanley residents described themselves as having good health compared to 61.3% in Derwentside and 68.8% nationally. There have been several strategies and programmes undertaken in the area intended to improve public

2.2 General Health

Statistics illustrating the general health of the population within the parish are not as clearly representative of the former Derwentside District and are certainly not representative of the national picture. There is evidence that an above average percentage of the population suffers from poor health. The table illustrates residents' perception of their general health as recorded through the 2001 census. As can be seen members of the population classifying their health as not good in Derwentside

health but clearly further work is needed over the medium and longer terms.

2.3 Economic Activity

Statistics relating to economic activity show that the Stanley Town Council area has significantly fewer members of the population of working age in full-time employment compared to the rest of England. This figure is very slightly higher however than the region as a whole.



There is a significantly lower proportion of the population self employed. This is lower than the Derwentside, North East and England figures. There has been a significant amount of work undertaken to encourage a greater number of local residents to consider self-employment. Unemployment as a whole remains slightly high compared to the national average.

People Aged 16-74 Economically Active	Stanley Town Council (%)	Derwentside District (%)	North East (%)	England (%)
Employees Full Time	38.2	39.94	37.37	40.81
Employees Part-Time	11.5	11.36	11.87	11.81
Self Employed	4.4	5.39	5.27	8.32
Unemployed	4.6	3.94	4.53	3.35
Full-time Student	1.6	1.72	2.27	2.58
Retired	13.6	14.71	15.02	13.54
Student	2.9	2.99	4.74	4.67
Looking after home/Family	7.1	6.44	6.58	6.52
Permanently Sick/Disabled	12.3	10.24	8.97	5.30

Whilst the number of people in retirement is fairly consistent with the national average, there is a much larger dependent percentage of the local

population than normal. This is largely accountable by the very large percentage of the population that is registered as permanently sick or disabled. The national average is 5.3% where the Stanley Town Council area has 12.3%. This has a direct impact on the dynamics of the local area. It also has direct implications for the local council and related policy.

2.4 Conclusion

Statistically the new Stanley Town Council area has some significant negative indices that it will have to manage within its overall strategy. With it however, comes scope for improvement and positive change together with significant opportunities for mutually beneficial partnership working with other stakeholders in the area. This is not what might be termed an 'average' population and therefore it needs solutions specifically tailored to the local area.



3. A brief history of the area covered by the Town Council

This is a brief account of the main settlements in Stanley Town Council's area, namely Stanley, Annfield Plain, Catchgate, Craghead, South Moor and Tanfield. It is not intended as a complete history, but gives an account of how each has been formed and developed through time.



3.1 STANLEY

- is a relatively new town, but evidence of a Roman cattle station was discovered by Sir Nicholas Tempest in 1730 when the remains of a camp and coins, swords, spears and pottery were found in the area between where the Go Northern bus depot in High Street stands and Stanley Hall Farm. It is believed that the purpose of the camp was to provide cattle and sheep as food to the other Roman settlements in the area.

There is ample evidence of early coal mining in small pits in the Shield Row and Kip Hill areas. However, Oakey's Pit was one of the earliest deep mines with many more collieries such as the Louisa opening up through the 1800's. With this industry the settlement rapidly grew into a town, with schools, Churches and hotels opening up, as well as places of entertainment such as theatres, The Royal and The Empire, pubs and clubs. With the advent of films the town could boast three cinemas, the Victoria, the New Pavilion and the Albert Hall.

In East Stanley employment centred around the

East Stanley Colliery, known locally as Jackie's Pit and a stone quarry. The collieries in the Beamish area also gave employment to a considerable number of men and boys from East Stanley, Shield Row and Kip Hill.

With the need to move large quantities of coal out of the area the railway came to town when the branch line was built from Newcastle in 1893/4 for both passengers and freight, with the station being built at Shield Row.

In 1892 Stanley attained Local Self Government under an Elected Board, which in 1894 became Stanley Urban District Council.

In the 1920's the Urban District Council started to develop the area to the south of the town, naturally this suburb became known as South Stanley.



Further development continued after the Second World War and is still

ongoing with the area becoming one of the largest residential areas in the



district. Here again churches, schools, clubs and pubs have come along as the area has grown. Also located here are Stanley Community Centre and Stanley Youth Centre.

3.2 ANNFIELD PLAIN

- the name came from two sources, the engine plane (waggon way) hauled coal from the local pits across a field known as "Anne's field" and as the coal industry developed so did the area, which became known as Annfield Plain.

Housing for the miners in the local pits and also for the workers on the newly emerging railways brought a station and further development of shops, schools, churches and hotels to the district.



In 1896 the Annfield Plain Urban District Council was formed with offices at Hare Law. With this the village continued to grow, and in the early 1900's as the mining industry continued to expand there was further development in the area with parks and new schools adding to the well-being of the community. In 1906 a male voice choir, The Annfield Plain Gleemen, was formed and rapidly gained a name for quality performances at home and further afield. The Kings Cinema was another popular venue for the population. In common with many others throughout the north, Annfield Plain Co-operative Store grew to a large multi-department enterprise which catered for all household needs. When it finally closed a large part of it was carefully dismantled and taken to the Beamish Museum where it forms one of the main working exhibits.

3.3 CATCHGATE

- the name of the village originates from a toll gate which was erected to catch those travellers trying to avoid the toll gate at Annfield Plain.

The development of Catchgate is linked to the coal industry and that of the Annfield Plain Urban District Council in whose area it stands. There were several collieries around the village and the council offices were located here, as was the library which

is still going strong.

The great grandparents of Hilary Clinton (nee Rodham), were married in St. Thomas' Church and the family lived in Catchgate for many years.



3.4 CRAGHEAD

- the village was originally part of the Parish of Holmeside, but for a time had its own council before becoming part of the Stanley Urban District.

Two well known colliery owners, the Musgrave and the Hedley families were largely responsible for the development of the mining industry around which the village grew. As with the other places around



the area the early 1800's saw a period of rapid expansion. As the coal industry grew so did the village. In addition to the increase in housing the amenities, such as shops, churches and hotels followed. Above the Craghead Co-operative Store there was a cinema known locally as the Penny Gaff. The village still has a cricket club, golf club and a very well known brass band with its history going back to the hey day of the collieries.

3.5 SOUTH MOOR

- the name comes from the area which was known as the south moor of Beamish which stretched from Beamish almost to Annfield Plain and at one time was classed as wasteland.

However, with the discovery of coal in the area this changed and just as in other parts of the district the area developed rapidly with the expansion of coal mining. The West Craghead Colliery opened in 1839 and when it was realised the extent of the coal in the area several other mines were opened up. There was a big influx of miners and their families and the village grew quite quickly, bringing in the shops, churches, schools and hotels to satisfy the needs of the population.



In the early 1900's a Mine Rescue Station was established and located here, as was a hospital to serve the miners and their families. This was known as the Holmside and South Moor Welfare Fund Hospital and was largely funded by the miners themselves.

South Moor Cricket Club were a force to be reckoned with on the pitch and the South Moor Operatic Society had a formidable reputation for the high quality of their productions and performances. Film fans were well catered for, at one time there were three cinemas in the village, the Arcadia, Tivoli and Rose Avenue Picture hall.



3.6 TANFIELD

- Village is the oldest of the settlements in the Stanley Town Council area, and was for many years the commercial and religious centre of the area. The parish church, St. Margaret's was built circa

AD900 by the monks of Chester-le-Street and pre-dates Durham Cathedral.

Tanfield had its own council covering an extensive area, taking in Tanfield Village, Tanfield Lea, Tantobie and White-le-Head.

All of these communities thrived with the development of the coal industry. Coal from the early collieries was taken by waggon way via Shield Row, Kip Hill and Causey, on down to Dunston on the River Tyne to be shipped out. The colliery owners commissioned Ralph Wood to build a wooden bridge over the deep gorge of the Causey burn to allow a more direct route and thereby cutting the cost of



transporting the coal to the Tyne for shipment. However, this collapsed and Ralph Wood was then commissioned to build a stone replacement. Although he started the work, at

some time during construction the work was taken over by William Boag who completed the bridge. At the time this was a major feat of civil engineering construction, with the arch spanning 103 feet over the gorge. This, the Causey Arch as it became known, was opened in 1727 and is the oldest railway bridge in the world.

The first deep mine is believed to be Tanfield Moor Colliery which opened in 1769. Tanfield Lea Colliery opened in 1829 followed by East Tanfield in 1844.

The Tanfield area had a very large Methodist congregation and Charles Wesley visited the area on several occasions.

Tommy Armstrong, a resident of Tanfield Lea, was well known for the poems he wrote about life in the area and became known as 'the Pitman's Poet'.

Jack Hair (March 2009)

4. The Consultation Process

4.1 Methodology

It was acknowledged that a series of studies had already been conducted in several parts of the Town Council's area. To avoid duplication or 'consultation fatigue' such studies were identified and analysed to form a foundation for the consultation exercise.

4.1.1 The Desktop Study

A comprehensive list of stakeholders was compiled which included over 100 community groups; the former Derwentside District Council, now part of the unitary County Council; Derwentside Community and Voluntary Sector (CVS); the former Derwentside Primary Care Trust (PCT), now part of County Durham PCT; Groundwork West Durham and the pre-unitary form of Durham County Council. Each was informed of the Town Council's intention to develop a strategic plan and was invited to suggest community groups, associations and individuals who they felt would be willing and able to make a positive contribution to the consultation exercise. They were also asked to inform DRCC of any existing consultation or research documents which could inform the early stages of the process. The following documents were gathered as a result:

Appraisal	Year
Annfield Plain Ward, Neighbourhood Profile	2005
Catchgate Neighbourhood Ward Profile	2005
Craghead and South Stanley Neighbourhood Ward Profile	2005
Havannah Neighbourhood Ward Profile	2005
South Moor Neighbourhood Ward Profile	2005
Stanley Hall Neighbourhood Ward Profile	2005
Tanfield Neighbourhood Ward Profile	2005
Stanley Hall Community Appraisal Document	2002
South Moor Partnership Community Appraisal	1999
New Kyo and Oxhill Community Appraisal	2002

Appraisal	Year
South Stanley Community Appraisal	1998
Community Appraisal Report Tantobie, White-le-Head, Part of Flint Hill, Sleepy Valley, Tanfield and Clough Dene.	2000
Annfield Plain Community Appraisal	2002
Havannah Ward Community Appraisal	2002
Tanfield Lea Partnership Community Appraisal	2002
Stanley Town Centre Area Action Plan	2008
Annfield Plain and Catchgate Wards: Community Economic Development Action Plan	2008
Feasibility Study for a proposed Community Venue at New Kyo, Stanley	2008
Stanley Revised Area Development Framework	2007
Green Corridor Master Plan	2008
Tanfield Lea Partnership – Community Appraisal	2002
Stanley Hall Community Appraisal	2002
Derwentside District Council Open Space, Sport & Recreation Study	2007
Baseline Information for Major Centres Study – Stanley Summary Report	2006
Residents Survey – What people want from Stanley Town Council	2008
Funding Bid Evidence Base – Residents Survey	2007
A New Beginning – Stanley Consultation	2007

The above documents were analysed and key issues were extracted. Whilst it was noted that some of the documents were relatively old, their main findings were reflected in the consultation process to give current residents the chance to verify their relevance.

4.1.2 Public Consultation Events

To ascertain if the above issues remained relevant and to find out if any others had emerged or had not been identified through the desktop study, it was still deemed necessary to conduct a robust consultation exercise.

A series of consultation events were therefore set up to allow residents from across the whole area to have a direct input. Invitations were sent to all of the previously mentioned stakeholders whilst the local press was asked to advertise the events and posters were displayed in local shops, both in the centre of Stanley and throughout the surrounding villages. A public consultation event was duly held in each of the seven wards with all being well attended by a broad cross section of the local population. A series of activities were undertaken to gather the views of those present, as follows:

- The first exercise asked residents whether the key issues identified through the desktop survey were still current, and if so, which of the key issues were most important to them.
- The second exercise required residents to pinpoint problems on large scale maps and to outline their ideas of how such problems ought to be addressed.

Thereafter the substantial amount of resultant data was combined with the outcome of the desktop survey to produce an overall action plan for the area, (see Appendix 1).

4.2 Results

4.2.1 Results of the Desktop Study

– revealed the following twelve topic headings: Crime and Safety; Employment; Training and Education; the Environment; Leisure; Information and Communication; Shops; Public Transport; Traffic; Housing; Services, and; Health. Each topic heading was further divided into key issues.

4.2.2 Results of the Consultation Events

The first exercise at the consultation events sought to establish two fundamental facts. Firstly, which issues were still relevant, and secondly, how important they were ranked in comparison to others.

The consultation events deemed the following key issues arising from the desktop study to be generally irrelevant to the present day: access to IT facilities; a lack of benches; a lack of public flower beds, and; a system for issuing cheap bus passes/fares. Issues ranked as a 'very low' priority are distinguished below by the use of red font.

To establish where resources should be focused to reflect the public's real priorities, each topic heading was assessed separately which involved the ranking of the key issues within each topic, as follows:

4.2.2.1 Crime and Safety

Residents attending the consultation events were very concerned about crime and safety issues in general.

Crime and Safety

	Fear of Crime	Vandalism	Fly Tipping	Drug/ Alcohol Related Crime	Anti-Social Behaviour
RESPONSES	681	739	601	689	820
RANK	4	2	5	3	1

As can be seen from the table, anti-social behaviour, fear of crime and drug and/or alcohol related crimes were identified as the key issues that were most pertinent to residents.

Many of the issues related to petty crimes and young people congregating in large groups. The anti-social behaviour, vandalism and drug and alcohol related crimes were often attributed to young people in groups. It was difficult to establish with residents whether young people were actually committing crimes or whether the presence of young people was creating a perception or fear of crime. However, residents identified several 'hotspots', (see Appendix 1).

4.2.2.2 Employment

Despite the statistical evidence portraying the area in a fairly negative light compared to the rest of the country, this topic received very little response from residents. Whilst all of the key issues were

Employment

	Lack of local jobs	Low aspirations and a culture of unemployment	Lack of public transport to get to work	High rate of incapacity benefit claimants	High unemployment
RESPONSES	682	679	444	528	596
RANK	1	2	5	4	3

thought to be relevant, residents offered little or no comment.

As seen above, a 'lack of local jobs' was thought to be the most critical issue just ahead of low aspiration and a culture of unemployment. The sole comment made by a resident about this issue referred to the quality, capacity and flexibility of the local industrial estate/s.

4.2.2.3 Training and Education

Access to Information Technology (IT) facilities was no longer seen as a priority. Whilst a lack of local training was still thought to be relevant it didn't figure as a major concern to the residents attending the consultation events. No suggestions about how to tackle a lack of training were made.

Training and Education

	Lack of local training	Access to IT facilities
RESPONSES	567	463
RANK	1	2

4.2.2.4 Environment

Environment was an issue that residents were concerned about throughout all of the consultation events. In particular conversations

Environment

	Dog fouling	Litter	Fly tipping	Poor drainage	Lack of benches	Poor maintenance of grassed areas	Poor maintenance of parkland	Poor, inadequate or non-existent bus shelters	Lack of public flower beds
TOTALS	653	745	598	441	231	358	269	305	153
RANK	2	1	3	4	8	5	7	6	9

were often dominated by the subject of litter, dog fouling and fly tipping which is borne out by the table below.

Residents indicated that most of the litter problems were as a result of poorly disposed business premises waste. In the residential areas litter was a particular problem outside schools and local shops. Solutions to this problem included the installation of Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) so that perpetrators could be fined, increasing the number of litter bins and education based measures.

Dog fouling was a problem across the whole area, particularly on footpaths. Residents were keen to see more dog waste-bins, the presence of a regular dog warden and awareness raising and education of dog owners.

Although a lack of benches and public flower beds was no longer felt to be a priority, in conversation about various other matters, some residents advocated the improvement of flower beds in key locations such as prominent roundabouts.

4.2.2.5 Leisure

As indicated by the 'lack of activities for young people' being ranked top, clearly many residents saw the potential of leisure activities to have a positive impact on many of the local issues facing the area.

Leisure

	Lack of activities for young people	Lack of community events	Lack of recreational facilities for young people	Lack of sports facilities	Lack of activities for the elderly
RESPONSES	723	535	603	419	484
RANK	1	3	2	5	4

As seen above, a lack of: activities for young people; recreational facilities for young people, and; community events were ranked a clear first, second and third. However, it was also acknowledged that a wide range of activities, facilities and classes etc across the area were often poorly attended.

The apparent paradox above may in part be explained by the views expressed by representatives of the Tanfield Youth Club who suggested that young people were unwilling or unable to travel and, in any event, preferred non-structured activities.

Therefore, if leisure is to become a more effective tool for reducing anti-social behaviour and the fear of crime as well as being generally helpful to individual and collective development and cohesion etc, some further targeted consultation may be useful to ensure that activities proposed by adults are actually of interest and therefore able to successfully engage local young people.

4.2.2.6 Information and Communication

Despite the majority of residents saying that they wanted to receive local information in a range of

Information & Communication

	Lack of local notice boards	Lack of community newsletters	Lack of information about local facilities
RESPONSES	626	512	685
RANK	2	3	1

formats, many felt that they didn't really know what was happening in their own localities.

A lack of information was therefore the key issue followed by the related matters of a lack of notice boards and a free community newsletter about local facilities, services, news and events etc.

Most residents felt it reasonable to expect information to go to their homes rather than having to actively seek it themselves from elsewhere. Although a little patchy in a few places, including Quaking Houses, most areas received the local free newspaper.

4.2.2.7 Shops

Shop front improvement in central Stanley was seen by many residents as a priority as was the improvement of some of the outlying centres. Throughout the consultation process residents stressed the need for more local shops and a general concern about the loss of local services in outlying villages, such as the closure of the post offices for example.

Shops

	Shop fronts need improving	More local shops needed	More disabled parking bays close to amenities needed
RESPONSES	685	670	524
RANK	1	2	3

Residents were also keen on encouraging high street stores, restaurants and a larger, perhaps continental style market in Stanley Town Centre.

4.2.2.8 Public Transport

As mentioned above, cheaper fares and passes were no longer seen as a key issue, and despite the

Public Transport

	Lack of early morning and late evening transport	Availability of bus times poor	A new system for issuing bus passes and cheap fares is required
RESPONSES	596	530	331
RANK	1	2	3

relatively low level of car ownership, few comments were made other than the need for a service that actually entered the Cookson Estate in South Stanley and more frequent early morning and late evening services to outlying settlements such as Tanfield Lea.

4.2.2.9 Traffic

Traffic

	Lack of cycle routes	Speed restrictions need to be lowered and enforced on residential estates	Lack of parking on residential estates	Lack of appropriate crossings	Speeding traffic
RESPONSES	228	670	509	471	721
RANK	5	2	3	4	1

Whilst a lack of cycle routes was no longer seen as a key issue, speeding traffic, particularly in residential areas, was a concern throughout the Town Council area. Accordingly, numerous locations were mentioned where it was felt that traffic calming measures would have a positive impact.

4.2.2.10 Housing

Whilst some attendees suggested that there may be some 'problems' with the quality of rented

Housing

	Too many large scale housing developments	Lack of housing with decent sized rooms	Lack of off-street parking	Demolish disused garages	Need for a locally run home improvement scheme
RESPONSES	452	387	581	392	419
RANK	2	5	1	4	3

accommodation, in general, the topic of Housing was not as readily responded as many of the others. However, the not unrelated matter of off-street parking was seen as a key issue and was felt to be exacerbated by the traffic issue mentioned above.

4.2.2.11 Services

Consistent with previous consultation and the topics mentioned above, a lack of facilities for

Services

	Refurbishment of community centres	More information about community activities	Lack of local gym facilities	Lack of local activities for young people	Lack of adequate community ground or sports facilities
RESPONSES	511	588	581	689	431
RANK	3	2	5	1	4

young people followed by the need for more information about local activities were seen as the key issues.

Many residents, particularly those from outlying neighbourhoods, were keen to see investment in local community centres.

The view that this topic was cross-cutting with Crime and Safety, the Environment, Leisure and Information and Communication, was widely held.

4.2.2.12 Health

Health

	More support for single mothers	Extension of GP referral scheme required	More NHS dental places required	Minor accident clinic
RESPONSES	348	535	658	662
RANK	4	3	2	1

Whilst health issues were extremely important to residents attending the consultation events, many were optimistic that things were about to improve with the construction of a large health centre and minor accident clinic in central Stanley. However the concern about a lack of dental provision was not alleviated by the prospect of the new health centre.

Finally, as seen above, more support for single parents was no longer seen as a key issue.

4.2.2.13 Other

Notwithstanding all of the above, some comments were also made that didn't necessarily fit any of the key issues structure. Rather than lose this rich local

intelligence, they were listed under the heading of 'Other'.

For example, residents drew attention to: specific buildings that were in need of attention and/or demolition; the need for projects and activities to be undertaken more quickly, and; a lack of financial support for local activities.

Critically, there was also a general feeling that concerted efforts to restore community spirit and pride was needed to counteract the perceptions of

Stanley caused by negative media coverage and deprivation-based statistical data. Residents felt

that, on the contrary, the area had a lot of potential, a sentiment that is vary much shared by the Town Council.

These points have been added to the most relevant section of the following Action Plan.

5. Action Plan

The table below is perhaps the most important part of this document in that it sets out the Town Council's programme for 2009-10 and beyond. The Action Plan is based on the principle of what themes, priorities and key issues were identified by the local community (You said...) and what action the Town Council intends to instigate within a specific timeframe in response (We will do...). As stated in the Foreword, the Action Plan also amounts to an open invitation to any other party to work collaboratively with the Town Council in the pursuit of shared goals.

Additional detail used in the formation of the Action Plan can be found at Appendices 1 and 2 respectively.

ACTION PLAN				
YOU SAID			WE WILL DO	
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
CRIME AND SAFETY (Paragraph 4.2.2.1 of the Consultation Results section refers)	High	Anti-social behaviour (ASB); Vandalism; Fear of crime; Substance misuse.	Establish Crime & Safety sub-committee of Town Council to drive progress; Lobby police, Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP) and Area Action Partnership (AAP); Negotiate service improvement/s, e.g. Street Wardens, Closed circuit television (CCTV); Work with Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP) and voluntary sector to tackle causes / education based approach and consider 'Participatory Budgeting' (PB).	During 2009; Start immediately and continue on an on-going basis; Develop 2009/10. Implement 2009/10-10-11 onwards; Start during 2009 and continue on an on-going basis.

ACTION PLAN

YOU SAID		WE WILL DO		
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
<p>ENVIRONMENT (Paragraphs 4.2.2.4 and 4.2.2.13 of the Consultation Results section refer)</p>	<p>High</p>	<p>Dog fouling; Litter; Fly tipping; Poor maintenance of public / open areas.</p>	<p>'Enviro-crime' or nuisance to be progressed by Crime & Safety sub-committee;</p> <p>Negotiate service improvement/s, e.g. Street Wardens, 'dog control orders' / legal penalties; more dog-waste and litter bins, Community Justice / Probation Service capacity, increased maintenance;</p> <p>Work with Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP), voluntary sector and other key stakeholders (landlords etc) to tackle causes / education-based approach and consider Participatory Budgeting (PB);</p> <p>Ensure conservation of local bio-diversity is a feature of the planning process.</p>	<p>During 2009 and continue in an on-going basis;</p> <p>Develop 2009/10. Implement 2009/10-11 onwards;</p> <p>Start during 2009 and continue on an on-going basis.</p>

ACTION PLAN

YOU SAID			WE WILL DO	
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
SHOPPING (Paragraphs 4.2.2.4 and 4.2.2.13 of the Consultation Results section refer)	Medium / low (In view of realistic timescales involved in planning matters and attracting sustainable inward investment etc).	Redevelop Town Centre and improve the 'retail offer' and unique selling points;	Establish a Planning sub-committee of Town Council to drive progress;	Start immediately and continue on an on-going basis;
		Improve (other / all) retail areas in the whole Town Council area;	Lobby the 'principal' / planning authority and ensure all means of regeneration actively pursued;	Start immediately and continue on an on-going basis;
		Retain and improve the market;	Work with AAP;	Start during 2009.
		Positively promote the area.	Negotiate improvement of festive lights / decorations.	Annual

YOU SAID			WE WILL DO	
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
LEISURE, CULTURE & HERITAGE (Paragraphs 4.2.2.5 and 4.2.2.13 of the Consultation Results section refer)	Medium	Lack of community events;	Establish a Communications sub-committee of Town Council to drive progress;	Start immediately and continue on an on-going basis;
		Lack of recreational activities for young people;	Negotiate the (re)establishment of community events in partnership with others;	2010/11 to be implemented thereafter;
		Lack of activities for elderly people;	Support / promote existing groups;	On-going;
		Lack of support or funding for community groups;	Consider a funding application process and Participatory Budgeting (PB);	Start during 2009/10;
		Need to celebrate and capitalise on the area's heritage.		

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YOU SAID			WE WILL DO	
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
LEISURE, CULTURE & HERITAGE (cont.)			Publicise / promote provision for young people through a regular newsletter, web-site and other means;	Start immediately and continue on a quarterly basis;
			Consult and analyse suitability of existing provision and act in partnership to reflect new interests / trends;	Start during 2010/11;
			Consult and analyse provision for elderly people and act in partnership accordingly; Ensure conservation of local bio-diversity is a feature of the planning process	Start during 2010/11.

YOU SAID			WE WILL DO	
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
TRAFFIC (Paragraph 4.2.2.9 of the Consultation Results section refers)	Medium	Speeding traffic (especially in residential areas); Poor road conditions (especially in winter); Lack of parking,	Establish Crime & Safety sub-committee of Town Council to drive progress; Lobby the 'principal' highways authority and police; Work with the Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP), Area Action Partnership (AAP) and other	During 2009; Start immediately and continue on an on-going basis; Develop 2009/10. Implement 2009/10-10-11 onwards;

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YOU SAID			WE WILL DO	
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
TRAFFIC (cont.)			stakeholders (landlords etc) to negotiate service improvement/s and tackle causes / education based approach and consider Participatory Budgeting (PB); Review statutory service plans and consider enhancing levels of provision through allocating resources (e.g. traffic calming, off street parking, speed signage; relevant plant / equipment / machinery etc) and consider PB.	Start during 2009/10

YOU SAID			WE WILL DO	
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
PUBLIC TRANSPORT (Paragraph 4.2.2.8 of the Consultation Results section refers)	Medium / low	Lack of early morning / late evening bus services; Inadequate bus services to some locations and lack of appropriate routes.	Lobby transport providers; Address within wider regeneration plans; Work with Area Action Partnership (AAP); Promote / support community transport schemes and consider Participatory Budgeting (PB).	On-going; Medium term; On-going; On-going.

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YOU SAID		WE WILL DO		
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
SERVICES (Paragraphs 4.2.2.11 and 4.2.2.13 of the Consultation Results section refer)	Medium / low	Need for better communication of local information; Lack of sports facilities / provision; Retention / improvement of community centres; Retention, improvement of allotments.	Establish a Communications sub-committee of Town Council to drive progress; Introduce free community newsletter, web-site, notice boards and other forms of accessible public information; Work with statutory service provider and Area Action Partnership (AAP); Consider partnership arrangements, funding application process, community land / asset transfer, acquisition of sites and Participatory Budgeting (PB); Acquire 'Quality Council' status.	Start immediately and continue on an on-going basis; Quarterly and on-going; On-going; Start during 2009/10; 2010/11 onwards.

YOU SAID		WE WILL DO		
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION (Paragraph 4.2.2.6 of the Consultation Results section refers)	Medium	Lack of local public information; Location is a 'grey' area for local / regional press coverage; 'Patchy' delivery of local newspapers.	Establish a Communications sub-committee of Town Council to drive progress; Introduce free community newsletter and web-site;	Start immediately and continue on an on-going basis; Quarterly and on-going;

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YOU SAID			WE WILL DO	
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION (cont.)			Work in partnership to increase the number of notice boards and other forms of accessible public information; Work with AAP; Lobby press / media.	On-going; On-going; On-going.

YOU SAID			WE WILL DO	
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
TRAINING & EDUCATION (Paragraphs 4.2.2.3 and 4.2.2.13 of the Consultation Results section refer)	Medium / low	Lack of local 6th Form provision; Poor condition of local infrastructure / old buildings etc; Littering of school sites and surrounding areas; Lack of funding and resources, (e.g. teachers); Lack of local training facilities.	Establish a Planning sub-committee of Town Council to drive progress; Lobby the 'principal' / education and planning authority; Work with Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP), voluntary sector and other key stakeholders (schools etc) to tackle causes / education-based approach and consider Participatory Budgeting (PB); Work with Area Action Partnership (AAP).	Start immediately and continue on an on-going basis; Start immediately and continue on an on-going basis; On-going.

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YOU SAID			WE WILL DO	
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
EMPLOYMENT (Paragraph 4.2.2.2 of the Consultation Results section refers)	Medium	Lack of local / sustainable / secure / well paid jobs.	Directly or indirectly create job opportunities through Town Council action (e.g. Street Wardens); Work with the County Strategic Partnership (CSP) and Area Action Partnership (AAP); Address within wider regeneration plans.	2009/10 onwards; On-going; Medium term.

YOU SAID			WE WILL DO	
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
HOUSING (Paragraph 4.2.2.10 and 4.2.2.13 of the Consultation Results section refer)	Medium	Lack of off-street parking; Poor maintenance / neglect of some housing stock; Void dwellings / garages; Affordability; Need for an affordable locally run 'handy-man' / home improvement scheme.	Establish Crime & Safety sub-committee of Town Council to drive progress; Lobby the 'principal' / highways / planning / direct services authority and police; Work with the Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP), Area Action Partnership (AAP) and other stakeholders (landlords etc) to negotiate service improvement/s consider Participatory Budgeting (PB);	During 2009 and continue in an on-going basis; On-going; Develop 2009/10. Implement 2009/10-10-11 onwards;

ACTION PLAN

YOU SAID		WE WILL DO		
THEME	PRIORITY	ISSUE	ACTION	TIMESCALE
INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION (cont.)			<p>Review statutory service plans and consider enhancing levels of provision through allocating resources (e.g. off street parking, relevant plant / equipment / machinery etc) and consider Participatory Budgeting (PB);</p> <p>Lobby 'principal' / planning authority and landlords about demolition and construction to reflect changing demand;</p> <p>Work in partnership with other stakeholders, look at innovative approaches, and address within wider regeneration plans;</p> <p>Ensure conservation of local bio-diversity is a feature of the planning process.</p>	<p>Start during 2009 and continue on an on-going basis;</p> <p>Medium term</p> <p>Medium term.</p>

Appendix 1 – Feedback from Consultation Process

CRIME AND SAFETY

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Fear of crime	Bus Station, Stanley	Lack of Security	
	Bus Station, Stanley	Feel afraid to use the bus station at night because of local youths and anti-social behaviour	More visible policing at night
Vandalism	Cookson Place	To reduce vandalism of the play park. To reduce the amount of time play area is closed for health and safety reasons	Funding required for the upkeep of local play park. Replace wooden play equipment for steel.
	Near Lees Street top	Kids drinking and fouling – i.e. smashing bottles etc	Re-instate police patrols (used to be regular community support officers)
	Swan Street, Catchgate	Youths hanging around street, intimidating, doing vandalism/damage to property	Policing – regular presence
	Underpass to Shield Row to new housing estate	Youths drinking and breaking bottles. Broken glass on footpath	Better Policing and lighting
	Pea Wood	Vandalism	Improved outreach work from youth workers. Get them involved in diversionary activities
	Annfield Plain and Catchgate main road	Gangs of youths seem to be perpetually walking up and down or hanging around this whole area after dark. Fences and bus shelters are frequently vandalised	Possibly a more visible police presence. CCTV cameras
	Memorial Homes, West Leigh, Tanfield Lea	Elderly residents frequently disturbed by children. Vandalism of homes, flower beds	Community police – regular patrols
	School grounds, Tanfield Lea	Teenage drinking, litter and broken glass	Act to prevent underage drinking
	Tanfield Lea park and Epworth Estate	Underage drinking, anti-social behaviour, vandalism	More effective policing and fines
	Tanfield Nature Reserve	Broken glass and fire lighting by young people in the reserve	Outreach and detached youth workers to encourage young people in diversionary activities
Tanfield Lea Park	Glass Bottles and vandalism	Better youth facilities and enforcement officer to check woods at known problem times	

CRIME AND SAFETY (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Catchgate overall	Vandalism	
Drug / alcohol related crimes	Bridge at top of Causey Drive, Kip Hill	Substance abuse	Remove bridge
	Ivy Terrace, S. Moor (Top end)	Fly tipping, dog fouling, disused garages, poor grass maintenance, thefts from allotments, vandalism	Higher penalties, video monitoring, removal of garages, cut the grass
	Pit wheel at entrance to Quaking Houses Village	Youths congregate at this point climb on it, drink alcohol and smash bottles	More youth provision to keep them off the street. Older children only have 2 nights per week in youth club village hall). More organised activities needed.
	Village Green at Quaking houses	Playing cricket on village green spoiling green, dangerous to traffic and pedestrians. Playing golf, damaging cars	To develop a play area for all ages on existing football fields. One section for very young children. One section for primary to junior children and one section for older children away from houses.
	Annfield Plain and Catchgate high streets	Underage drinkers generally making a nuisance of themselves. Despite supposed clamp downs on sale of alcohol to under 18's they still seem to get alcoholic drinks	Stiffer penalties for the sources of the drink. Reduced number of licenses for the sale of alcohol.
	Tanfield Lea Park	Youth drinking and anti-social behaviour	Better facilities for young people more access
	The Woods	People doing nothing but drinking / drugs and causing trouble	Save the den and give them something to do
	Tanfield Lea park and Epworth Estate	Under age drinking, anti-social behaviour, vandalism	More effective policing and fines
	Epworth Estate, Tanfield Lea	Congregating youths, illegal drinking and drug taking	Improved policing of area
"Everywhere"	Tanfield Lea marshes	Underage drinking, anti-social behaviour Anti-social behaviour (on bridge area), litter	Zero tolerance policing Better policing
Anti-social behaviour	Park Road, South Moor	Parking and speeding	Police cover
	Old pit heap, South Moor	Littered site and place of anti-social behaviour	Fence off & merge with new sports complex (see above)
	Park Road, South Moor (to Pine, Elm, Poplar Streets)	Anti-social behaviour, littering, poor lighting	Better control of landlords, eliminate lowest standard housing, improve lighting

CRIME AND SAFETY (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Stanley Bus Station	Youths	Needs full time security wardens with full authority to evict gangs of youths that are using same as a meeting point, a place to consume alcohol and a general play/cycle area
	Stanley Town Centre	Forbidding after dark	Encourage activities after 5 pm (e.g. traffic access)
	Our street - Catchgate	Burning scrap metal. Football games against garages, damage to cars. Unsocial/feuding residents	Better camera use. Evictions
	Main street in Tanfield Lea	Bus stop used as urinal	More community police patrol
Other	Catchgate general	Lack of policing	More police on the beat
	Around Stanley Centre	Parking in Stanley	Traffic Warden (Funding)

EMPLOYMENT

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
High Unemployment	Tanfield Industrial Estate	Small businesses keen to develop and expand but lack facilities	Need smaller starter units on the Industrial Estate / new Enterprise Centre

TRAINING AND EDUCATION

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Other	Sports Ground, Stanley	Reinstate the running track and re-site the school	Move the school
	Greenland Primary School, South Moor	Old building not suitable for modern day learning	Would like to see it moved to old allotment site just below vicarage central for church, fields, and park all of which school uses
	Old allotments – Park Rd. Opp. St. George's.	Siting new school.	Needs funding & DCC Education to propose.
	Stanley School of Technology	?	Need new comprehensive
	School site, S. Stanley	No 6th Form facilities	Redevelop to include 6th
	Outside Tanfield Comprehensive	Litter by pupils from the senior school at lunch and home time	School to be more proactive in promoting green issues with pupils - RESPECT

ENVIRONMENT

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Dog Fouling	Annfield Plain	Dog fouling generally	Dog warden
	End of Windsor Terrace, New Kyo	Dog Fouling	Control by dog warden
	South Moor playing fields	Abuse of football pitch by dog fouling & motorbikes	Install changing rooms/sports facilities, etc
	Area near Coates Close and Williams Close	Dog fouling left on grass	Dog bin
	Slaidburn Road	Dog fouling	Re-educating the owners
	Coast to coast route	Dog fouling	Notices and dog fouling bins along the route
	Ivy Terrace, South Moor (Top end)	Fly tipping, dog fouling, disused garages, poor grass maintenance, thefts from allotments, vandalism	Higher penalties, video monitoring, removal of garages, cut the grass
	Quaking Houses	Dog fouling is horrendous on the paths of Quaking Houses	More dog fouling bins and bag dispensers. On the spot fines to offenders more enforcers and wardens monitoring this
	Famous Ladies Estate	Dogs roaming. People walking their dogs and children going to school are being chased by them.	Dog catcher to patrol and remove.
	King Terrace, South Moor	Dog fouling and cars parked on the green area in King Terrace. Kids playing on the grass and running on the road	A fence around the green area. Dog fouling bins and bags available
	Sports Ground Tantobie	Dog Fouling and litter	More litter picking possibly using community based organisations
	Playing fields, back of Tudor Drive, Tanfield Village	Dog fouling on playing fields	Dog free zone
	Field to rear of Margaret's Drive	Dog fouling on children's play area	No dog zone
	Back of St. Margaret's Drive	Dog fouling on play field on Tanfield Village	Dog free zone on playing field
	Chapel Street, Tantobie	Dog-fouling	After provision of dog bins, enforcement and fines for dog owners

ENVIRONMENT (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Litter	Area near Coates Close and Williams Close	Litter left on grass	Litter bin
	Entrances to Stanley Burn on both sides of Durham Rd.	Litter, fly tipping, motor bikes, not enough barriers to stop bikers riding through woods and onto the estate.	Cameras and more barriers.
	Park Road, S. Moor (to Pine, Elm, Poplar Streets)	Anti-social behaviour, littering, poor lighting	Better control of landlords, eliminate lowest standard housing, improve lighting
	Front Street	Litter left after the markets (Thurs & Sat)	Make traders responsible for litter
	Clifford Road Retail Park	Litter	Make contact with owners of the units (this is private land)
	Area behind Netto & Louisa Centre	Litter & fly tipping on public footpath	Clear litter, and educate public
	Old pit heap, South Moor	Littered site and place of anti-social behaviour	Fence off & merge with new sports complex (see above)
	T. Lea shops (New Front Street)	Littering by children and youths, alcohol consumption	Install CCTV for monitoring, police to enforce fines
	Tanfield Lea Industrial Estate	Rubbish / litter / general impression of boundary areas appear unkempt and uncared for	Make the factories clear their own rubbish or face fines – HR depts liaise with people doing community service and facilitate clean up
	Sports Ground Tantobie	Dog fouling and litter	More litter picking possibly using community based organisations
	Tantobie and Clough Dene	Messy side streets	Arrange for effective street cleaning
	Tanfield Lea Park	General litter problem	More regular litter pick ups
	Road from Tanfield Village to Causey Road	Litter in hedgerow from Ever Ready site	The site management should include clearing to perimeter of site. Regular litter pick up campaigns please
	Back of Cherry Cottages, Tantobie	Litter/fly-tipping	Fines

ENVIRONMENT (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Fly Tipping	Stanley Town Council area	Lack of rubbish removal mechanisms	Provide skip facility on 6 monthly basis
	Area behind Netto & Louisa Centre	Litter & fly tipping on public footpath	Clear litter, and educate public
	Entrances to Stanley Burn on both sides of Durham Rd.	Litter, fly tipping, motor bikes, not enough barriers to stop bikers riding through woods and onto the estate	Cameras and more barriers
	Ousterley Wood, & Wagtail Lane, Craghead	Fly tipping	Reintroduce free collection service
	Near Burnside School	Fly tipping	
	Cleveland Terrace, South Stanley	Fly tipping	Regular checks and clean up, or warning notice of offence if caught
	Kings Head Field	Fly tipping	Reinstate (community) police, and fine
	Nature Reserve, Tanfield	Needs looking after to stop young people drinking and vandalising. Perhaps more youth workers	
	Back of Cherry Cottages, Tantobie	Litter/fly-tipping	Fines
	Harperley Lane, between Kyo Heugh and White-le-Head	Fly tipping	Fine – if the rubbish holds information on the person
Poor drainage	Coronation Terrace, New Kyo	Poor drainage/sewerage system	
	Front Street & West Road, Annfield Plain	Poor flooding/drainage. People getting soaked due to cars	Improve drainage
	Coronation/Hawthorn Terrace, New Kyo	Poor sewerage system	Improve infrastructure for sewerage
	Back of Unity Terrace, New Kyo	Poor drainage and sewerage system	Increase capacity of the drains

ENVIRONMENT (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Langley/Croft Terrace, New Kyo	Poor drainage and sewerage system	Increase capacity of the drains
	Gladstone St., South Moor	Water leak in street for years, numerous failed attempts to fix	Locals say it is a spring – culvert it....?
	Tanfield Lea park (3 x instances)		
	Parkside to Leith Gardens, Tanfield Lea	Poor drainage, flooding regularly – Epworth Care Home – Green Hut barbers corner leading to main road.	Gullies / drains need to be maintained and emptied
	Tanfield Lea centre	Standing water on roads	Improve drainage
	Back of St. Margaret's Road	Water running through garages from field	Drainage
Lack of benches	Rose garden at Sunny Terrace opposite Oakley's Playing Field	Used to have a park type bench seat	Provide one park type seat for benefit of residents
Poor maintenance of grassed areas	All green areas, New Kyo	Poorly mown grass areas	Put out tender for the work
	Murray Park (and many other locations)	Grass cutting very bad. No paths left	Town Council take on grass cutting duties
	Ivy Terrace, South Moor (Top end)	Fly tipping, dog fouling, disused garages, poor grass maintenance, thefts from allotments, vandalism	Higher penalties, video monitoring, removal of garages, cut the grass
	Public grassed area in front of Third Street in South Moor	Grass cut regardless of weather condition resulting in loose grass left to rot amongst mud etc from ground being churned up.	Grass cuttings collected (not left) and suitable weather conditions before cutting
Poor maintenance of parkland	South Moor Park	Falling into disrepair	Employ Park Keeper
	Cricket Field / Sports Ground, Tantobie	Outgoing maintenance of outfield, currently cut by D.C.C.	Liaise with County unitary to ensure continuity of service
Poor inadequate or non-existent bus shelters	Durham Road	No bus shelters	
	Avon Rd.	No bus shelter	Erect one
	North Rd./ Blakett St.	Poor, inadequate or non-existent bus shelters.	Check bus shelters on a regular basis with ongoing maintenance

ENVIRONMENT (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Lack of public flower beds	South Moor area ward.	Flower beds, South Moor, create more	Spend money
	Blanche Terrace	Flower beds	Please continue
	Roundabout near Co-op funeral services, Stanley	Flower beds	These are excellent, please continue
	Leith Gardens / West Street	Flowerbeds	These are excellent, please continue
	Blackett St. & corner of North Rd.	Young people congregating around shops	1) Activity centre/activities for young people. 2) Police presence
Other	Ex Kings Picture house – near Station Road	Wasteland near old bakery	Tidy up and utilise for car-parking
	Keir Hardie Avenue	The trees on the large grassed area at front are a menace	Chop the trees down
	Betjeman Close area, allotments/ cemetery at East Stanley	Hanging baskets vandalised. Older people worked hard on these last summer	
	Cheviot Terrace	Trees in way, too dark at night	Pull them down – more looked after
	Craghead Industrial Estate	Environmental eyesore	Remove to other location
	Right of way between Church Street & Kay Street	Condition is a disgrace	Needs re-surfacing urgently
	Footpaths to West of S. Moor (to Oxhill & New Kyo)	Poor condition, weeded	Re-surface & provide lighting
	Park Road, South Moor (to Pine, Elm, Poplar Streets)	Anti-social behaviour, littering, poor lighting	Better control of landlords, eliminate lowest standard housing, improve lighting
	Annfield Plain Park	Poor vehicular access to park	Improve access via St. Aidans Crescent (unadopted)
	Playing fields, Annfield Plain	Poorly maintained areas attract illegal caravans	Properly designated playing field with fencing

ENVIRONMENT (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Maiden Law and Busty	Open cast area behind	Develop as public open space, develop lake area for course fishing
	Great North Forest (adjacent to Stanley)	Not linking sufficiently to local community	Fully developed conservation area – linking in schools / colleges and local residents, (proper investment needed)
	Gap between 36 and 37 Fourth Street, Quaking Houses	Used to be Council allotments have been left to overgrow. Problem with Japanese knotweed which needs a special licence to remove	Turn area into a community garden
	Harperley Woods	Poor maintenance	Repair bridges and paths, generally tidy up area
	Tanfield Lea park	Poor maintenance	Repair bridges and paths, generally tidy up area
	Nobles wood, Tanfield Lea	Poor maintenance	Repair footpaths, generally tidy up
	Tanfield Lea generally	Lack of rubbish bins	Install litter bins
	Road near to Barcus Close Lane, Tanfield Village	No footpath	Build one
	Front Street, Tanfield Lea	Flower beds in good condition	Continue with work
	Road next to pub at Tanfield Village	Footpaths are in need of urgent repairs in village	Review all footpaths
	Path from Low Barcus Close Farm to Tanfield	No footpath	Need one
	Harperley Wood, Tanfield Lea	Poorly maintained	Repair paths and bridges
	Annfield Plain Morrison/Busty roundabout	Unsightly and overgrown	Replant with flower beds (like Stanley & Consett roundabouts)
	Stanley roundabout	Bad, uncared for condition	
	Old Railway track	Used by motorbikes	
	Beech Terrace, Catchgate	Green being abused by footballers and quad bikers	Provide a football field that isn't waterlogged
	Linn's Hill, West Kyo	Nature Reserve	Greater public access to the area – footpaths

LEISURE

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Lack of activities for young people	Roundabout near library in Stanley	New skate park not being properly used. Lack of privacy – young people don't want to appear foolish as they practice	Training courses needed. Need equipment – youth club to bid for funding
	Stanley Town Council area	Unused youth facilities run by LSC/LA prioritising outputs	Provide recreational facilities for children (unrelated to outputs?)
	Burnside Resource Centre	Stop the children getting bored	Subsidised local activities. Families with 3 children or more cannot afford to pay for activities
	Burnside Centre or St. Stephen's Centre	Drop-in centre for children – computers (after school)	
	Subway near Clifford Road	Youths congregating in underpass making members of the public feel vulnerable	Lack of youth facilities, not always ideal to use Police. Youth need to be given something to do and somewhere to go
	Swan St.	Lack of facilities for young people	Expenditure
Lack of community events	Kings Head Field	Fireworks display to be arranged for local people	Local free transport to site will promote green economy
Lack of recreational facilities for young people	Land off Shield Row Lane, back of North Terrace, front of Langley Terrace	Lack of play facilities	Erect play facilities, establish football pitches
	Quaking Houses & Ivy Terrace, South Moor areas	Lack of play areas & recreation facilities	Provide them
	Land off Shield Row Lane, New Kyo	Lack of play areas	Town Council to build and maintain facility
	Field near Stanley Burn, New Kyo	Lack of play area	Provide facility
	South Stanley (for all South Stanley)	More play areas for young children and also teenagers (Skateboard park)	Develop play areas on spare land and put CCTV in to monitor it.
	Burnside Resource Centre	Stop the children getting bored	Subsidised local activities. Families with 3 children or more cannot afford to pay for activities

LEISURE (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Off Third and Fourth Street, Quaking Houses	Lack of children's play area and park	Install a play area
	The Activity Den	Brilliant forward thinking project for young people and children from Tanfield and Stanley area	Save the den at any cost
	Sports Ground, Tantobie	No children's play equipment	
	The Activity Den, Tanfield	Lack of money to keep den repaired even though the offer the only young people orientated centre within Tanfield and Tantobie area. Closure would result in no youth activities within the area	Save the Den
	Good Street Estate, outskirts of Tanfield	No youth facilities apart from the Activity Den, without this there will be none	Save the Den
	The Activity Den	Needs repairs. Runs lots of activities for young people helps young people with all sorts of problems	Save the Den – funding
	Whole Tanfield area	There isn't any problems other than the place we value the most the Activity Den needs repaired. We use it a lot and it is well equipped	Save the Den
	Activity Den, near to school, Tanfield Lea	Youth building in poor repair	Funding and publicity to make the most of it
Lack of sports facilities	Old running track and adjoining fields (close to Bus Depot – located between dual carriageway and the road leading out of Stanley Town Centre towards Chester-le-Street)	Need better recreation facilities	Reinstate use as running track, and reinstate music festival
	Stanley running track	Closed	Re-open existing provision

LEISURE (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Other	Land off Shield Row Lane, New Kyo	Lack of a community centre	DCC to release funds to build a facility
	Stanley Town Council area	Conflict of `uses` – adults v youth (i.e. Youth club clashes with Bingo)	Promote inter-generational interaction
	Park at Oakeys Field Stanley	This is a very good park and I want it to stay the same	More parks like this in other areas of Stanley
	Old Kwik Save site	Ten pin bowling centre	Introduce team play with bowling leagues for all ages
	Cookson Place, South Stanley	To help with the upkeep and to help purchase new play equipment for Holly Park. Park is managed by Cookson Place Residents Association	We are being targeted quite frequently with vandalism to the equipment and would like to change it to stainless steel.
	Cookson Place, South Stanley	To help with the upkeep and purchase of new play equipment for Holly Park at Cookson Place. Park is managed by Cookson Place Residents Association	We have been vandalised a few times and would like to change play equipment from wood to steel as we are members of the residents association and are fundraising by ourselves and require funding all the time.
	Stanley Town Centre	To open a 10 pin bowling centre in the old Kwik Save building	It would be great for families and older kids
	Cookson Place, South Stanley	To help with the upkeep and purchase of new equipment for Holly Park at Cookson Place. Park is managed by Cookson Place Residents Association	We are being targeted for vandalism of equipment. We would like to change the existing equipment from wood to stainless steel. This is an extensive project which we require funding and help with
	Mendip Terrace	Too remote resource centre. Need gym for adults and children.	
	Land behind Burnside.	Skateboard park and multi sports complex	
	Kings Head Playing Fields, Stanley	Lack of quality office accommodation in the area. Ideal site for it.	Appropriate agencies to develop business space as part of regeneration process
	Stanley Town Centre Library	Library needs to be moved to a more central location	New build behind the Bus Station
C2C cycle track (follows route of Consett & Sunderland	C2C is well used, especially in the summer months, but access routes to/from Stanley Town Centre are poor	Limited options for new access points due to the terrain, but Oxhill is a possible site	

LEISURE (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Railway Path (to north and west of Stanley Town Centre)		
	Louisa Centre	£50 charge for using public area in Louisa Centre (soft play) for hire for child's birthday but all of the area was open to the public for use	Divide soft play open to everyone and area for hire remains private for function
	Cricket Ground, Quaking Houses	Improvement of facilities to provide community functions for all the family e.g. cricket club	Grants etc
	Burns Pit	Skate Park, High Street	Should be in more overlooked position. Need more youth detached workers

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Lack of local notice boards	Stanley as a whole	I think there is a lack of information about Stanley issues as a whole. Poor information about what's happening with the Town Council	Distribution of a newsletter to the whole of Stanley about what's happening in the Town Council
	Tantobie, Tanfield Lea, White-Le-Head	Inadequate informing of residents	Utilise parish magazine, house to house leafleting, delivery of Durham publications
Lack of community newsletters	Stanley as a whole	I think there is a lack of information about Stanley issues as a whole. Poor information about what's happening with the Town Council	Distribution of a newsletter to the whole of Stanley about what's happening in the Town Council
	Tantobie, Tanfield Lea, White-Le-Head	Inadequate informing of residents	Utilise parish magazine, house to house leafleting, delivery of Durham publications
Lack of information about local facilities	Stanley as a whole	I think there is a lack of information about Stanley issues as a whole. Poor information about what's happening with the Town Council	Distribution of a newsletter to the whole of Stanley about what's happening in the Town Council
	Shield Row Lane, New Kyo	Lack of sources of information	Erect community notice board
Other	Quaking Houses	Residents in Quaking Houses do not receive the Stanley Advertiser. This puts us out of touch with local information and news.	Ensure that the residents receive info by other means
	Quaking Houses village	Information placed in the Advertiser does not reach all areas of the population due to lack of deliveries in some areas	Use other mediums to inform the public

SHOPS

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Shop fronts need improving	Park Road, South Moor	Lack of amenities and poor and derelict shops / buildings in South Moor.	Encouragement for potential outlets in South Moor. Improvement of existing shop fronts
	North Road, Catchgate	Poor condition of front street, policing is very poor	Improve policing
	South Moor area (Park Road)	Poor frontage to properties	Make improvements to shops
	Park Road, South Moor	Poor condition of buildings & shops (e.g. South Moor Hotel)	Repair or demolish, plant and protect street horticulture
	Clifford Centre, Front Street, Stanley	Poor appearance from the road	Screening & environmental improvements
	Stanley Town Centre	?	Redevelop as commercial, cultural & recreational centre
	New Front Street, Catchgate	Shop Front Improvements	Grants to owners
	Front St. Stanley	Dilapidated shop fronts.	Renovate older building facades & encourage new small businesses – not charity & cheap shops
	North Rd.	Decaying shops	Ensure landlords maintain properties at all times.
More local shops needed	Park Road, South Moor	Lack of amenities and poor and derelict shops / buildings in South Moor.	Encouragement for potential outlets in South Moor. Improvement of existing shop fronts
	West Road, Front Street, Annfield plain	Lack of retail outlets	Attract better retailers
	Front Street, Stanley	Poor quality of retail shops	Attract larger retailers, better quality shops
	High Street, Stanley	Lack of quality shops	Need to attract new shops
	High Street, Stanley	Lack of retail outlets	Restrict building by Asda
	High Street, Stanley	Lack of small, quality shops	Redevelop area to improve shopping facilities
	South Moor area (Rydal Avenue, Park Road North)	Poor shopping facilities	Encourage larger high street chains to open shops in high street
	Stanley Town Centre	To have a better selection of shops that cater for men's, women's and children's clothing.	Encourage more high street chains to open their businesses in our area

SHOPS (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Stanley Town Centre	To have better range of shops on our front street, including kids and adults clothes shops	It would be nice to see a shopping mall with some well known high street shops. To enable us to find better clothes and equipment for ourselves and children
	Stanley Town Centre	Not a lot of shops to shop in for children and adults	
	Durham Road	Better local shops, shop front refurbishment	
	Craghead Lane – main road	Better local shops, shop front refurbishment	
	Holly Hill Gardens East	No shops, no public transport	Could do with some shops and buses to go around the shops
	S. Moor Road	Run down, derelict buildings, lack of shops	Redevelopment necessary
	North Rd. Catchgate	More shops needed – bakery, butchers etc.	Encourage local business. Provide reasons for coming to Catchgate
Other	Stanley market	I would love Stanley market to stay and expand. People come from miles around to the area to visit this market	Perhaps encourage a continental market to attend. Christmas market etc. Farmers market etc.
	Stanley main street	No Public Toilets	New Public toilets
	Stanley Town Centre	Create strong trader forum / network to help assist the regeneration of the town centre	
	Stanley Front Street	Poor condition	Full redevelopment, urban renaissance
	Old Bus Station, Stanley	Inadequate town centre facilities	Provide parking, redevelop the town centre
	Front Street, Stanley	Main street in a dreadful condition	A radical remake of all the Front Street
	Clifford Centre	Clifford Centre and surrounding area needs regeneration	Clean whole area up re-generate shops etc. farmers/WI. market
	The Shops, Holly Hill Gardens	Shops need improving, lighting needs improving	Either totally regenerate the shops or build new shops somewhere else
	Stanley Town Centre	There needs to be more businesses in the town centre, not just charity shops and cafes. We need more than one major supermarket	Give incentives to attract new businesses to Stanley
	Front Street, Stanley	Toilets	

SHOPS (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Stanley Town Centre	There needs to be more businesses in the town centre, not just charity shops and cafes. We need more than one major supermarket	Give incentives to attract new businesses to Stanley
	Stanley Front St.	Range of shops	Better variety and range of shops i.e. BHS, Littlewoods, Matalan
	Stanley Front Street	Look tired, lack of up-to-date major companies shops	Encourage community to voice their opinions and lobby politicians, commerce for help in re-generating and increase their through put of customers and profit margins
	Stanley Front Street	Poor state of all of Stanley Front Street, especially shopping area at south end	Full regeneration scheme with all agencies and private sector involved
	Stanley Front Street	Lack of high street shops	A large major shopping development is needed to replace the Front Street Co-operative buildings destroyed by fire, this in turn would encourage large high street names to open much needed stores in Stanley Town Centre
	Stanley Town Centre	Centre is unattractive to visitors on an evening and weekend	Better/wider choice of places to eat needed in the Town Centre
	Stanley Town Centre	10 empty shops. Lack of choice. Town can't compete with the Metro Centre, therefore needs to offer something different to attract more shoppers	A model railway shop is already doing good business. Need to attract other niche businesses
	Stanley, Front Street	Needs redeveloping	Retain Market Place
	Front Street, Stanley	Asda has taken all the trade off the Front Street. It is like a ghost town, no matter what time of day	Need to attract different types of shops e.g. clothing, haberdashery etc., DIY – to make Stanley worth shopping in again.
	Front Street, Stanley	Shops are closing down due to Asda and proximity to metro Centre	More individual shops. Attract stores back.
	Stanley Town Centre	Want to keep the market	Would like to introduce specialist markets like farmers markets, continental markets and Christmas markets
	Town Centre Market, Stanley	Shop fronts look run down. Poor quality of Shops	More 'big names' encouraged to have shops in the town. Especially quality clothes shops. Need to regenerate the centre
	Stanley Town Centre	No restaurants to attract people to visit Stanley in the evening	More incentives to attract these businesses to Stanley

SHOPS (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Stanley Town Centre	I would love to keep Stanley open market	Encourage more upmarket stalls, farmers markets, continental markets
	Stanley Market, Front Street	Large space now available for re-development	Resurrect the development plans already in place and lobby the new authority to implement them
	Town Centre, Stanley	Three dilapidated shops making the area look even worse than it would otherwise	I understand the same landlord has all three properties and he has a limited time to upgrade and get a grant. If he does not do this then a Compulsory Purchase Order is the only remedy
	High Street, Catchgate	No restaurant in town pub / grub available	Council encourage new enterprise
	Central Stanley	No restaurant in Stanley area	Encourage restaurant owners to open in Stanley – more than 1 would be better
	Central Stanley	No restaurant in town of 30,000 ish people	Encourage diverse enterprise
	Stanley Front Street	Poor shopping facilities	Redevelop town centre
	Stanley Town Centre	Run down and derelict buildings/shops	Encourage new development
	Stanley Town Centre	Derelict properties/shops	Stimulate local business, attract more funding
	South Moor Front Street	Lack of quality shopping	Redevelop town centre (LA, developers, Government)
	Stanley Town Centre	Lack of food and general shops. Lack of wool shop	New supermarket required, other specialist retailers
	Stanley Town Centre	New mosaic	Must be retained
	New Front Street / Princess Street, crossroad	Keep the market	
	Stanley Main Street Stanley town centre	Lack of shops	

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Lack of early morning and late evening transport	St. Margaret's Church, Tanfield	No public transport Sundays or night time	Need more public transport

PUBLIC TRANSPORT (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Other	St. Margaret's Church, Tanfield	No public transport Sundays or night time	Need more public transport
	Cookson Place, South Stanley	Only bus is Durham Road, South Stanley	Have a bus come to edge of Cookson Place – instead of families having to take children out in all weathers to catch bus to Stanley
	Cookson Place, South Stanley	Provide bus from Cookson Place and famous ladies estate	We would like a bus on both estates as we have a lot of people with children and disabled who would appreciate this
	Cookson Place South Stanley	Only bus route Durham Road	We would like to have a bus service that comes to the end of the estate rather than have to walk to Durham Road
	Bus Station, Stanley	Lack of access to toilets, lack of seating on local buses within 2 mile radius of bus station	
	Third/Fourth Street, Quaking Houses	Bus service improvement at Quaking houses for Saturday afternoons, mornings and evenings	De-regulate bus services
	Bus Stand outside hairdressers (at south end of Station Road	Congestion caused at Bus Stand – cars parking preventing buses from pulling into stand.	Move Stand to outside Funeral Parlour (already there)
	Station Road, Stanley (outside the Board Inn)	Commuters unable to access bus services	Additional bus stop needed along this stretch of road
	Tantobie	Inadequate bus services	Direct service to N/castle at work times
	Tanfield Village	Inadequate bus service	Extend evening service

TRAFFIC

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Lack of cycle routes	Cycleway C2C route	To maintain and ensure it is rubbish free, safe and non anti-social	A regular 'sweep' someone checking the route within the Stanley boundary and maintaining it as they go
Speed restrictions need to be lowered and enforced on residential estates	Aged Miners Homes, Craghead	Speeding traffic along this road with people crossing from the woods and football field which includes children	Traffic calming measure / pedestrian crossing

TRAFFIC (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Lack of parking on residential estates	Lenin Terrace, South Stanley	Lack of Parking	Take away grassed areas between houses to create more parking on back street
	Keir Hardie Avenue, South Stanley	Parking on narrow back roads, poor maintenance	Provide parking spaces and repair roads
	Station Road Stanley, adjacent to junction with View Lane	Dangerous parking at the end of View Lane	Double yellow lines at the end of View Lane
	Jubilee Terrace / Shield Row Lane junction, New Kyo	Parked cars obstruct vision when crossing road at night	
	Sandhole Club, New Kyo	Speeding cars, parked cars causing an obstruction	Crossing for elderly residents, police to tackle parking
	Shield Row Lane, Prospect Terrace, Catherine Terrace, New Kyo	Poor parking obstructing motorists vision	Remove cars and vans, restrict parking
	Durham Road ends, Annfield Plain	Poor driving, ignoring of traffic rules	Construct a roundabout
	Craghead Lane, William Street, Thomas Street, Wagtail Lane, Palm/Ivy Terrace, Middles Road, Elm Road, Garden Terrace, Gratlingstadt Terrace, Pemberton Terrace, Hazel Terrace, Ettrick Terrace, (Craghead)	Parking issues on streets	Enable residential 'pull off areas' in Bloemfontein area, provide off- street parking in Oswald Street area

TRAFFIC (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Third and Fourth Streets, Quaking Houses	Lack of off -street parking in Quaking Houses	Drop kerbs or grassed area into parking bays. Financial incentive / grants to encourage bays in yards
	Stanhope Gardens, Annfield Plain	Some of the residents seem to treat the green as car parks and roads.	As the estate is Derwentside Homes' overall responsibility they should be asked to approach the offenders
Lack of appropriate crossings	Sandhole Club, New Kyo	Difficulty crossing the road	Crossing required
	Traffic at Asda	Difficult to cross road	Zebra crossing
	Charles Street, S. Stanley	No pedestrian crossing(s)	Provide more
Speeding traffic	Wear Road and Tyne Road (both leading out of Stanley Town Centre)	Speeding Traffic	Put in speed restrictions and chicanes
	Main road through Tanfield Village	Speeding through this road particularly over the semi-blind summit	Better / more 'in your face' signage indicating the speed restrictions and a 'drive carefully' sign on entrance from either end of the village
	Shield Row Lane, New Kyo	Speeding traffic	Erect 'no speeding' signs, more crossings, traffic lights to slow cars
	Shield Row Lane, New Kyo	Speeding traffic impedes crossing of roads	Install traffic calming measures, priority flow signs
	Shield Row Lane, New Kyo	Unable to cross road to Sandhole WMC due to speeding traffic	Light controlled crossing
	St. Andrews Centre	Very dangerous crossing, on a bend with fast moving traffic	Possibly a footbridge.
	North end of Rotary Way	Crossing close to roundabout very dangerous due to excessive speed of traffic off roundabout	Need a small place for Health Centre, i.e. doctors and chemist
	Lenin Terrace/ Cotswold Terrace area	No health services, doctors or chemist	Calming measures
	Thomas Street, Craghead	Speeding	Calming measures
	Middles Road, Craghead	Speeding	Calming measures
South Moor Road	Speeding	Dipped headlights (signs), more police on patrol and more public transport needed	

TRAFFIC (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Durham Road, South Stanley	All up and down traffic, speeding certain times of the day and bright lights	Ensure that the residents receive info by other means
	Quaking Houses Park Rd	Residents in Quaking Houses do not receive the Stanley Advertiser. This puts us out of touch with local information and news.	Lower speed limit & more Police cover
	Park Rd, South Moor	Parking & speeding	Traffic calming measures
	Main street, Tanfield Lea	Speeding traffic	Regular speed checks
	Road between Tanfield Lea and Tantobie	Frequent incidents of speeding traffic	Regular speed checks
	Tanfield Main Road	Frequent incidents of speeding traffic	Traffic calming measures
	Main Street, Tanfield Lea (10 x instances)	Speeding traffic through the village	Install traffic calming measures, pedestrian crossings, signs, centre road markings, better policing
	The Paddock, Tanfield Lea	Speeding traffic	Install traffic calming measures, pedestrian crossings, signs, centre road markings, better policing
	Broom Hill, Tanfield Lea	Speeding traffic	
	Harperley Road, T. Lea (2 x instances)	Speeding traffic	
	Epworth Road, Tanfield Lea	Speeding traffic	Install traffic calming measures
	Tanfield Village	Used by heavy goods vehicles as 'rat run'	Install traffic calming measures, impose weight restrictions
	Tanfield Lea centre	Standing water on roads	Improve drainage
	Shield Row bank	Speeding traffic	More policing
	Tanfield Lane Farm	Speeding traffic	More policing
	St. Margaret's Drive, Tanfield	Speeding traffic through Tanfield Village road, safety issue	Ramps
	Road through Tanfield Village	Speeding traffic (safety issue), children at play	Ramps

TRAFFIC (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Main street in Tanfield Lea	Speeding traffic	More police checks
	Blackett Street, Catchgate	Speeding adjacent to Catchgate Junior School	Traffic calming measures single lane priority measures rather than humps
	North Rd. Catchgate	Speeding cars	Fine the drivers Take the documents from the culprits
	Station Rd., Causey Rd. & Pelaw Ave.	Speeding	Stricter Police enforcement of speed limits
	Main road, Tanfield Lea	Speeding traffic and poor crossing facilities	Portable solar powered speed signs Pedestrians controlled crossing
	Station Rd., Causey Rd. & Pelaw Ave.	Speeding	Stricter Police enforcement of speed limits
Other	Congestion on North Road outside shops Annfield Plain	Lots of cars parking on the corner	Better parking
	Woods Behind Durham Road	Off- road motor bikes	
	Scott Street, Stanley	Parking , people leaving cars parked where obstruction caused or double yellow lines	Traffic warden to patrol
	Stanley Town Centre	Difficulty in getting in and out of town centre in car	Need improved traffic management system
	Road Between East Stanley and Beamish Hill Top	Winter conditions – poor road dangerous conditions	Need extra salt bins
	Shield Row	Winter conditions – poor road dangerous conditions	Need extra salt bins
	Road from Craghead to Stanley (Durham Road)	Winter conditions – poor road dangerous conditions	Need extra salt bins
	Road between Shield Row and No Place (Beamish South Moor)	Winter conditions – poor road dangerous conditions	Need extra salt bins
	Station Road, Stanley (Adjacent to junction with View Lane)	Dangerous driving across mini roundabout at top of Barn Hill	Better signs, calming or traffic lights

TRAFFIC (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Top of Church Bank, Stanley (near town centre)	Cannot access Beamish Street by car from north without driving round the big roundabout	Put a road through the grass island
	Along the dual carriageway round the corner adjacent to Stanley Library	Dangerous for pedestrians trying to cross the dual carriageway to reach the library	Proper safe crossing e.g. bridge or road crossing further away from the roundabout
	West Road, Annfield Plain	Condition of yellow lines and poor enforcement of illegal parking	Police and other agencies to bring up to standard, to improve traffic flow
	Stanley Front Street	Lack of car parking	More parking provision
	Just off Front Street Stanley	Lack of disabled parking bays	Greater provision and policing
	Scott Street car park, Stanley	Poor traffic flow	Require one way system and improved traffic management
	Off Edward Street opposite Lowery House, Craghead	Off- Road (motor) biking	Provide dedicated site, erect access barriers
	Jubilee Terrace, New Kyo	Parked cars obstructing traffic flow	Prevent car parking
	Stanley Town Centre	Inadequate parking	Conduct traffic survey
	Shield Row Lane, New Kyo	Lack of road crossings outside fish shop	
	Old Bus Station, Stanley	Parking in restricted areas	Build multi-storey car park on old bus station site and Scott Street, provide `tree areas` and open sites up
	Stanley Town Centre	Disabled parking bays in Stanley not enough	Provide more disabled parking spaces in County Durham area
	Asda	Access poor due to excessive traffic	Pedestrian crossing
	Roundabout near Co-operative Funeral Services	Current road system of roundabouts encourage traffic to by-pass the town centre	Review the entrance into the town centre
	Junction of East Street & Front Street	Traffic lights not doing what they were supposed to do i.e. instead of 3 lights there should be 4	If there were 4 lights, traffic would not use housing estate to get with their journey (to avoid this junction)
	Kip Hill – new estate traffic lights	Traffic lights don't respond to the traffic – turn to red when no traffic	Put a sensor on the lights

TRAFFIC (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Front Street, Stanley	Enforce double yellow lines	More fines
	Central Stanley	Poor traffic access in and out	Get Highways Dept., to invest in improvements
	Eden Terrace/ Park Road T Junction at Oxhill	Build up of traffic at peak periods at junction of South Moor and Stanley traffic (lights A1 arch)	Filter lanes down to South Moor from Stanley. Widen the road to provide through road from Annfield Plain / Kyo to Stanley
	Rotary Way, Stanley	Road markings – the bringing of traffic into one lane and then opening up into two at the traffic lights causes more congestion than enough	Change the hatched lines on the road to make it two uninterrupted lanes from the roundabout to the lights
	Fines Park Estate, Annfield Plain	Cars and motor bikes being driven over greens and footpaths because they are a shortcut to West Kyo or Kyo Bogs	Reinstatement of some broken fences additional bollards, concrete or steel and possibly a locked gate at the entrance to the bogs from West Kyo between the allotments
	Corner of Asda, Stanley	Cars illegally parked on corner next to Asda	Fence to stop pedestrians from crossing road at unsafe places
	Stanley Library	Parking facilities poor at library – rough incline	Centralise library into town centre
	Blackett St.	Catchgate Primary School	Better road marking Better Parking
	ASDA Corner	Dangerous and hazardous parking	Traffic warden
	St Margaret's Church, Tanfield	Lack of parking facilities	Assess the possibility of creating nearby parking
	Junction of West Street and Main Road, Tanfield Lea (2 x instances)	Poor visibility accessing main road – bend in the road	Erect sighting mirror (adjacent to chapel)
	Scott Street, Stanley (Town centre generally)	Obstructive car parking	Create more parking facilities
	Stanley Town Centre car parks	Insufficient parking	
	Stanley Town Centre (Town Plan)	Inadequate planned parking arrangements (beyond Asda)	More parking facilities bottom of main street
	Stanley Town Centre	Obstructive parking	Improve Traffic Warden and police monitoring

TRAFFIC (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Ash Terrace, Catchgate	Kerbs broken because of cars parking on them	
	Catchgate high street (Smiths Arms crossroads to Century Terrace)	Hazards caused by poor and illegal parking	Restrict parking and improve policing
	Eden Terrace, Oxhill Nursery	Parking facilities needed for nursery	Take a small part of grassed area and convert for parking
	Catchgate School	Parking outside school	Parking could be put at top of Swan Street near primary school
	Library	Access dangerous due to volume of traffic. Location poor in relation to town populace	Relocate to user friendly position
	West Road Annfield Plain	Poor paths, paths and ramps not good enough for disabled people	New Paths
	Council Depot Morrison	Dire road surface	Resurface it
	Back of Jubilee Terrace, New Kyo (other parts of N. Kyo)	Poor condition of roads and paths	Refurbish
	S. View, Prospect Terrace, New Kyo	No wheelchair access over pavements to allow road crossing	Lower kerbs outside fish shop
	The Green, New Kyo	Disputed price for sale of land for building	Decide when/if money will become available for a community building
	Annfield Plain Park	Poor vehicular access to park	Improve access via St. Aidans Crescent (unadopted)
	Near St. Stephen's Church (Durham Road)	Crossing outside St. Stephens	
	Cookson Place	No lighting on school path from Cookson Place to Burnside School. Children stay behind for after school activities	The erection of several street lamps
	Cookson Place, South Stanley	No lighting on school path from Cookson Place to Burnside Primary School	To put up 2 or 3 street lights up the path – for children to walk home on dark nights
	Cookson Place, South Stanley	Not enough lighting on path from Burnside Primary School to Cookson Place. Also very poor maintenance to bushes	To erect 2 or 3 street lamps as the dark nights now setting in and children use path to and from school. Also to keep bushes and hedges trimmed back so nobody can hide behind them

TRAFFIC (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Cookson Place South Stanley	Poor lighting school path from Cookson Place to Burnside School	To erect 2 or 3 street lamps up the path as the dark nights are now setting in earlier and children use path regularly
	Underpass between Shield Row Villas and new housing estate	Poor lighting, unlit	Better lighting
	Off Third and Fourth Street, Quaking Houses	Poor condition of pavements and unadopted road	
	Windermere Terrace, South Moor	Poor quality unadopted roads, this is becoming dangerous	Stanley Town Council to adopt and maintain these roads
	Lime Street, S. Moor (front & rear)	Poor/dangerous condition of footpaths	Fence off rear of houses
	By Second Street, Quaking Houses	Unadopted roads to be improved	Resurface roads
	Unadopted paths and roads in Quaking Houses	Road Second Street and road between Second Street and Third Street all footpaths in a very poor state and dangerous	New paths and roads
	Windermere Terrace, South Moor	Unadopted Road that nobody maintains. Has potholes etc. It is becoming dangerous	Stanley Town Council to adopt and maintain this road
	Gladstone Street, No Place	Unadopted roads, potholes, very bad condition. Very dangerous to pedestrians and vehicles	Need Stanley Town Council to adopt and maintain
	Poplar St. South Moor	Surface of back yards	Needs attention
	Park Rd	In need of a facelift & back streets need a lot of attention	
	All areas	Road and path repairs – all streets	Make repairs permanent
	Road at the east side of Louisa Centre, Stanley	There is no footpath at all to get from the car park to the sports centres	Change the access into the car parks
	The side of the Louisa Centre	Mix of pedestrians and traffic causing danger	Better footpaths – even a footpath
	Co-op, Tyne Road, Stanley	Parking all the way around (including on double yellow) sometimes double parked	Massive fines and CCTV

TRAFFIC (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Outside C. Centre, T. Lea	Difficult access to main road, buses can't turn	Install visual mirrors
	Harperley Road, near Kyo Heugh, West Kyo	Potholes	Resurface Road
	Causey Road	Gritting of roads. The journey from Newcastle often halts on Causey Road	County Council need to alter their Service Level Agreements to that of Gateshead Council standard
	Opposite Crown & Thistle, Catchgate	Badly positioned bus shelter – traffic obscured coming via Swan Street	

HOUSING

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Lack of off-street parking	All up and down the village in Quaking Houses	Lack of off-street parking in Quaking Houses	Drop kerbs, turn some of the grassed area into car park
Other	Stanleyburn View, New Kyo	New houses too small and not integrated with existing stock	Refer to Green Corridor Master Plan & local appraisals
	John St., South Moor	Tenants of private landlords leaving rubbish in street	Prosecute culprits
	S. Moor	Poor housing stock	Revamp area (LA, developers, Government)
	Epworth Bungalows. Tanfield Lea	Lack of insulation for old peoples homes	Establish insulation programme
	Ryde Street, Catchgate	Rubbish left in yards of private landlord owned properties	Owners need to be made responsible
	Church Street, Catchgate	Rubbish left in yards of private landlord owned properties	Owners need to be made responsible
	Stanley Town Council area (Brooks Close, Stanley)	Poor state of private landlord owned property	Improve agency regulation, compulsory accreditation
	Meldon Way, New Kyo	Poor condition of people's yards and gardens. Lots of rubbish/vermin in yards	Enforce environmental laws
	Next to St Aidan's Church, Annfield Pain	Extreme potholed road next to St Aidan's Church. The road that leads to the back of Durham Road	Fill them in resurface (it is only a short section)
	Mundell Street, S. Stanley	Car park needs repairing	Provide proper facility near garages
	Catchgate overall	All `to let` houses are in a mess. Ex-occupiers leave their rubbish behind	Owners need to be made responsible

SERVICES

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Refurbishment of community centres	Land off Shield Row Lane, New Kyo	Lack of income promised from sale of the land for housing (lack of community centre)	Claim finance promised as a result of land sale for community centre
	Off Third and Fourth Street, Quaking Houses	Community Centre & Social Club is only a wooden hut	Modernise/rebuild brick building
	The Den, Tanfield	Building is old and in disrepair	Refurbished or replaced
	Rydal Avenue / School Terrace crossroads, South Moor	Community Centre	Find Funding
More information about community activities	Lamplight Arts Centre, Stanley	Local hall used for films, professional and amateur groups	More presence at front of Hall. More posters at front of building. Advertising all events. More help with amateur groups to sell their shows. More inviting atmosphere in the building itself.
Lack of local activities for young people	Adjacent to Junior School, Tanfield Lea	Activity Den	Needs more support and funding essential for children and young people. Must be saved.
	Tanfield Lea Park	Facility for Children	Need for facilities and young people need more youth workers and children's workers
Lack of adequate community ground or sports facilities	Shield Row Lane, New Kyo	Lack of community facilities at New Kyo	Provide facilities
Other	Stanley Library	Would be better if library was integrated further into the town centre from current location to Stanley main street	Ensure library is part of 'regeneration scheme within town centre
	East Stanley Allotments	Don't want lower allotments sold. Local people to be aware can use land	
	New Kyo	Lack of community building	Construct community building and play area
	Tyne Road Community Centre	Limited parking facilities for the three schools and two centres	Hire a fresh architect
	Keir Hardie Avenue	Post Box	Erect a box for post

SERVICES (cont.)

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
	Cookson Place	No postal box on estate – nearest one is at the beginning of the famous ladies estate.	To put a post box onto Cookson Place
	Cookson Place, South Stanley	Post box on estate (nearest on the famous ladies estate)	To erect a post box on estate for residents
	Cookson Place, South Stanley	No post box on estate only post box is at the end of the famous ladies estate	To erect a postal collection box at entrance to Cookson Place
	South Moor allotments (off South Moor Road)	Disused site	Build a new school
	Allotments at Ivy Terrace & Lake District estate South Moor	Poor maintenance	Clean them up
	South Moor next to Rydal Avenue	No community building village focus	Utilise existing school building
	Good Street Estate, Tanfield	No community facilities	Save the Den and improve access to all facilities
	Blackett Street, Catchgate	Use of school premises facilities for community use	DCC to facilitate this
	Greentree Lane, Catchgate	Allotments	Clear all site Mark out sensible sized plots

HEALTH

Key Issue	Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
More NHS Dental Places Required		Lack of NHS dentist	
Minor accident clinic	New health centre near Council Office, Stanley	No minor injuries unit	Ask PCT to provide improved service

OTHER

Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Stanley Town Council area	Lack of general service provision	Replicate services previously supplied by Green Corridor initiative and provision of general amenities and handyman service

OTHER (cont.)

Location	Description of Problem	Local Solution
Kings Head Playing Fields, Stanley	Poor or nil use of public open space	Durham County Council to determine quickly – future use for school? If not, do something with it
Rotary Way, Stanley	Main road between 2 roundabouts. Appearance of buildings on left hand side leaving towards Chester-le-Street	Improved planting/screening scheme
Public buildings in Stanley	Public buildings in need of renovation as encouragement to other businesses	e.g. Paint Council Offices doors; renovate buildings
Front Street, Stanley and surrounding area	Lack of support and financial input to community groups across the whole spectrum of age groups	Stanley Town Council and District Council seek suitable and sustainable funding: local/regional/national
South Moor, Park Road	Old buildings in disrepair	Redevelop or construct `footprint` sites
Stanley Town Centre	Model Railway Society needs a room to be able to meet regularly	Town Council needs to carry out an audit of available empty premises and develop a strategy to attract new groups, businesses etc.
Front Street, Stanley	Insufficient efforts to capitalise on the local heritage of the area e.g. Beamish, Causey Arch etc	Establish a Heritage Centre to promote linkages to local historic attraction. Possibly establish a Beamish Shop on Front Street
South Stanley/South Moor whole area	No forward progress for the areas	Better leadership and allocation of resources, establish a community centre
South Stanley	Lack of local identity	Provision of signage & gateway feature
Poplar Street, South Moor	No toilet provision	Build some
South Moor Park	No local war memorial	Build one
South Moor in general	No mining monuments	Build some
South Moor, Park Road	South Moor Park (Memorial)	Funding required to top off

Appendix 2: Key Issues - Consultation Forms

CRIME AND SAFETY		
Key Issues	Issue for the area Y/N	Rank in terms of importance 1 = Most Important
Fear of Crime		
Vandalism		
Fly Tipping		
Drug / Alcohol Related Crime		
Anti-Social Behaviour		

EMPLOYMENT		
Key Issues	Issue for the area Y/N	Rank in terms of importance 1 = Most Important
Lack of Local Jobs		
Low Aspirations and a Culture of Unemployment		
Lack of public transport to get to work		
High Rate of Incapacity Benefit Claimants		
High Unemployment		

TRAINING & EDUCATION		
Key Issues	Issue for the area Y/N	Rank in terms of importance 1 = Most Important
Lack of Local Training		
Access to IT Facilities		

LEISURE		
Key Issues	Issue for the area Y/N	Rank in terms of importance 1 = Most Important
Lack of activities for young people		
Lack of community events		
Lack of recreational facilities for young people		
Lack of sports Facilities		
Lack of activities for elderly people		

ENVIRONMENT		
Key Issues	Issue for the area Y/N	Rank in terms of importance 1 = Most Important
Dog Fouling		
Litter		
Fly Tipping		
Poor Drainage		
Lack of Benches		
Poor maintenance of Grassed Areas		
Poor Maintenance of Parkland		
Poor, inadequate or non-existent bus shelters		
Lack of public flower beds		

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION		
Key Issues	Issue for the area Y/N	Rank in terms of importance 1 = Most Important
Lack of local notice boards		
Lack of Community Newsletters		
Lack of information about local facilities		

SHOPS		
Key Issues	Issue for the area Y/N	Rank in terms of importance 1 = Most Important
Shop fronts need improving		
More Local Shops Needed		
More disabled parking bays close to amenities needed		

PUBLIC TRANSPORT		
Key Issues	Issue for the area Y/N	Rank in terms of importance 1 = Most Important
Lack of early morning and late evening transport		
Availability of bus times poor		
A new system for issuing bus passes and cheap fares is required		

TRAFFIC		
Key Issues	Issue for the area Y/N	Rank in terms of importance 1 = Most Important
Lack of cycle routes		
Speed restrictions need to be lowered and enforced on residential estates		
Lack of parking on residential estates		
Lack of appropriate crossings		
Speeding Traffic		

HOUSING		
Key Issues	Issue for the area Y/N	Rank in terms of importance 1 = Most Important
Too many large scale housing developments		
Lack of housing with decent sized rooms		
Lack of off-street parking		
Demolish disused garages		
Need for a locally run home improvement scheme		

SERVICES		
Key Issues	Issue for the area Y/N	Rank in terms of importance 1 = Most Important
Refurbishment of community centres		
More information about community activities		
Local of local gym facilities		
Lack of local activities for young people		
Lack of adequate community ground or sports facility		

HEALTH

Key Issues	Issue for the area Y/N	Rank in terms of importance 1 = Most Important
More support for single mothers		
Extension of GP referral scheme required		
More NHS Dental places required		
Minor accident clinic needed		

Are there any key issues you feel are missing? If yes please specify....



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