**UPTON NDP CONSULTATION, MARCH 2018: FIRST 23 QUESTIONNAIRES**

**APPENDIX**

All the individual responses are given here, coded according to the following system:

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| 1 | Physical character |
| 2 | Housing |
| 3 | Local Services (Schools, health, library, churches, youth clubs...) |
| 4 | Sustainability - energy generation, fracking |
| 5 | Green Spaces |
| 6 | Economic Activity |
| 7 | Specialist Centres - Zoo. Hospital, Dale Camp |
| 8 | Transport |
| 9 | Other (location, nice, potholes, no centre, litter…) |

It should be noted that a single respondent may have made a number of comments, and these are all included separately.

**Q1: Likes**

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| leafy neighbourhood | 1 |
| Trees | 1 |
| Mix of housing | 2 |
| Good mixture of housing | 2 |
| 3 churches | 3 |
| Good schools | 3 |
| Amenities | 3 |
| Surgery | 3 |
| The Library and Village Hall we both use regularly | 3 |
| country park | 5 |
| Plenty of trees and green spaces | 5 |
| Green spaces | 5 |
| Plenty of trees and open spaces | 5 |
| Park, playing fields, Pavilion | 5 |
| Lots of green | 5 |
| Green spaces | 5 |
| Golf course | 5 |
| Good shops | 6 |
| Zoo | 7 |
| Access to hospital | 7 |
| The zoo | 7 |
| good transport links | 8 |
| easy access to walking/cycling | 8 |
| Good transport links | 8 |
| Transport links | 8 |
| Off road parking | 8 |
| lovely safe place to live | 9 |
| nice area to live | 9 |
| closeness to Chester | 9 |
| Unique village community | 9 |
| The community | 9 |
| Proximity to city centre, countryside, rivers, coastline | 9 |
| Good community | 9 |
| Proximity to Chester | 9 |
| The community spirit | 9 |
| Access to city | 9 |
| Location, facilities | 9 |
| Generally peaceful | 9 |
| Access to town | 9 |
| Quietness | 9 |
| The community aspects | 9 |

**Q1: Not Like**

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| Multi occupancy rented houses in Upton Drive | 2 |
| Why has the old Gamekeeper still not been sorted. Knocked down to build some tenant letting | 2 |
| The growing size / housing | 2 |
| food outlets attracting younger people; rubbish | 6 |
| TESCO and commercial placements have ruined Weston Grove | 6 |
| too many takeaways rather than quality shops as in Hoole | 6 |
| Empty shops on Weston Grove | 6 |
| I feel Upton is missing a heart or focal point. I spend the majority of my time in Hoole with the shops and coffee shops and community feel. In Neston you also have a couple of decent cafes that attract families, visitors as this is the way of the world these days. Morning noon and night, Elephant, Costa regularly attending.It gives the place a community feel that Upton doesn't have unfortunately. | 6 |
| I feel Upton is just full of take always that really bring the place down. | 6 |
| No decent pub, just awful chain type pubs | 6 |
| Tesco, takeaways | 6 |
| No decent pubs | 6 |
| Growth of fast food, betting, tanning salons instead of a variety of shopping outlets | 6 |
| poor bus service | 8 |
| (food outlets attracting younger people) increasing traffic in place unsuited to it | 8 |
| 30 mph limits, should be 20 mph everywhere | 8 |
| Speed humps | 8 |
| Suggest bus layby in Mill Lane on waste land opposite chicane | 8 |
| Speed bumps | 8 |
| Parking in Upton Drive | 8 |
| Not enough parking space for rail users at Bache | 8 |
| It's too easy for drivers to use it as a quick route to the A41 or Liverpool Road | 8 |
| Speeding traffic | 8 |
| Parking. | 8 |
| People not taking any notice of 20mph limit | 8 |
| Speeding traffic along Demage Lane and Upton Lane | 8 |
| Parking on pavements when people have drives and garages and are too lazy to use them. Parking outside MY house by neighbours and their visitors. | 8 |
| The growing size / traffic | 8 |
| potholes in roads | 9 |
| Amount of litter | 9 |
| Potholes | 9 |
| Proximity to nearby petrochemical works with its widespread environmental pollution | 9 |
| Poor maintenance of drains and verges - when verges cut, should be properly cleared not just blown away | 9 |
| Dog dirt and rubbish blowing around | 9 |
| Pavements in pieces | 9 |
| Bins and recycling build up in gardens of flats or houses. | 9 |
| Reduced facilities/services in recent times | 9 |
| The litter along by Upton H.S. on Long Lane | 9 |
| Overhanging bushes from garden which are a danger to walkers | 9 |
| Amounts of litter | 9 |

**Q2: Perfect Upton**

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| More for teenagers to do | 3 |
| Keep the library | 3 |
| Frack-free | 4 |
| A perfect Upton can never exist. It must constantly change to meet ever changing needs, but a better Upton would rely much less on fossil fuels and instead have clean, low carbon, sustainable and renewable energy | 4 |
| Keep greens and trees | 5 |
| More open space | 5 |
| Keep the green spaces | 5 |
| Green | 5 |
| One with a restaurant (like in Hoole) | 6 |
| A better range of shops at Weston Grove | 6 |
| more cycle paths | 8 |
| As now with less traffic | 8 |
| All traffic obeying speed limits | 8 |
| More pedestrian crossings | 8 |
| Good roads | 8 |
| better road maintenance | 9 |
| Clean, tidy | 9 |
| an economy for health and to mitigate against climate change. This can affect ecery aspect of life and every policy in the NDP. The NDP must similarly be flexible and open to change, with constant monitoring and adjustment after it is established. | 9 |
| As it is but cleaned and maintained better | 9 |
| Quiet | 9 |
| Community | 9 |
| Addressing issues noted in your issues below | 9 |

**Q2: Weakness**

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| no more food outlets | 6 |
| not enough late buses to town | 8 |
| Too much traffic, some roads used as rat runs | 8 |
| Parking near shops (lack of) | 8 |
| Not enough buses | 8 |
| No traffic monitoring | 8 |
| Poor parking | 8 |
| People park their cars at the Pavilion when nor using facilities | 8 |
| No direct cycle track link to the Greenway cycle routes | 8 |
| Lack of buses connecting our parish's areas | 8 |
| not being strong enough on planning requests | 9 |
| no real centre | 9 |
| no real centre | 9 |
| untidy trees bordering part of Church Lane | 9 |
| potho;es in road | 9 |
| not catering for young people | 9 |
| As noted in the previous survey responses and issues and opportunities document | 9 |
| Too unusual for residents to be involved as they are in this survey | 9 |
| Pavement and roads in poor condition | 9 |
| Pavements | 9 |
| Potholes, eg Demage Lane from Upton Lane to A41 | 9 |
| Dreadful state of pavements -- Church Lane, top end of Upton Lane | 9 |
| Quality of roads / surfaces | 9 |

**Q2: NOT want to happen**

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| [No] more housing | 2 |
| No more squeezed in shoebox developments without land - fronting onto road | 2 |
| Don't want student housing or rentals.No control of multi occupancy houses | 2 |
| No major development such as building on hospital, golf course or green belt areas | 2 |
| More modern housing | 2 |
| (No) more housing | 2 |
| Losing library | 3 |
| I don't want Upton to become more reliant on fossil fuels, its monopolistic and multinational corporations and unsustainable systems | 4 |
| If it loses its green spaces | 5 |
| Green space built on | 5 |
| Losing bank on Weston Grove | 6 |
| [no] more low end market shopping outlets | 6 |
| Loss of shopping areas | 6 |
| We don't want more fast food outlets | 6 |
| Keep hospital open | 7 |
| charges for car parks | 8 |
| I don't want Upton to lose its community feel | 9 |

**Q3: Concerns**

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| No major development such as building on hospital, golf course or green belt | 2 |
| Youth clubs to be organised | 3 |
| threat of fracking | 4 |
| No fracking anywhere | 4 |
| Fracking | 4 |
| Free access [to green/open spaces) | 5 |
| Don't want to lose green spaces | 5 |
| As in no. 2 (Green space not built on) | 5 |
| Poor state of Greenfields park -- no facilties | 5 |
| increased crime due to shops/commercial placements | 6 |
| No decent pub | 6 |
| Lack of decent shops | 6 |
| Traffic & parking; | 8 |
| Failure to police 20mph; | 8 |
| need to restrict parking in Bache Drive | 8 |
| parking in Weston Grove & TESCO – safety issues | 8 |
| Parking on Upton Drive, | 8 |
| Want parking to remain free | 8 |
| Parking on pavements in Newhall Road | 8 |
| The unnecessarily large buses cannot pass each other, mount the pavement and have damaged boundary walls | 8 |
| Mill Lane used as rat run by police at all hours | 8 |
| Parking on side roads is bad (near to hospital + Bache station) | 8 |
| Speeding traffic | 8 |
| Bad parking by schools | 8 |
| School parking in roads around schools | 8 |
| Parking at Upton Heath school | 8 |
| Bus service now no buses after 7 pm | 8 |
| Parking outside Upton Heath is congested, Too much ILLEGAL parking close to junction with Meadowsway | 8 |
| Parking outside the Primary school in Upton Lane -- dangerous to motorists and pedestrians | 8 |
| Fast traffic down Upton Lane | 8 |
| Parking at the Library car park is often full of non-Library users cars | 8 |
| Poor roads & pavements | 9 |
| road surfaces | 9 |
| Leisure facilities improved | 9 |
| As noted in the previous survey responses and issues and opportunities document | 9 |
| Dog fouling | 9 |
| Some antisocial behaviour at station | 9 |
| No dogs allowed on park and playing fields | 9 |
| Bins and boxes being put out too early without lids, litter and rubbish all over roads | 9 |
| No concerns with any of these areas. (All improving in recent times). Excellent | 9 |

**Q4: Shops**

**What people would like to see that’s different:**

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| greater variety in Weston Grove, if financially viable |
| [currently] all convenience rather than quality? |
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| Wish Weston Grove shops better served |
| Butcher, chemist |
| Butcher,Bakers |
| I don't think there is much that can be affected by the NDP except to encourage the better use of upper floors and all to improve all facilities in accordance with 2.1 above [clean, low carbon, sustainable and renewable energy and an economy for health and to mitigate against climate change] |
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| A butchers and a veg/fruit shop |
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| No more Bargain Booze type shops. Chaos caused by parking in bus stop at the Bache. |
| Use all 3 sets of shops regularly. Good choice. |
| Litter is a problem at Bache and up Mill Lane |
| They meet most of my needs. A cobblers would be useful |
| Any future changes should not include more takeaways |
| Use all the shops |
| Gift shop and nice restaurants would be nice |
| Less takeaways on Weston Grove. Maybe a chemist. |
| Not much variety if you consider many are fast food, betting and tanning outlets |
| No longer use Bache and Long Lane (no bus services). Would like to see return of bus service on St James Avenue to Long Lasne. Or, introduction of bus service on #8 route OPPOSITE to side of road to existing stop near metal pedestrian bridge. |
| Weston Grove - TOO many fast food outlets. No butcher, no greengrocer, no worthwhile restaurant. More parking needed. We use the Tesco and that is all. A decent delicatessen would be nice. |
| Like to see Aldi in Upton. |
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| Empty shops occupied |

**Q5: Housing development comments**

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| As noted on the previous survey responses and Issues and Opportunities documents. Upton will continue to need a range of housing which may change with local and regional demographics and should be adjusted to account for the availability and quality of existing housing stock in Upton and neighbouring areas. This is a professional matter and not one to be conducted without adequate research and analysis. It also isn’t one to be determined by this sort of survey |
| There seems to be plenty of family homes but we could do with more starter homes |
| No more developemnt. The drains cannot take it - even if they were cleaned |
| There should be a small number increase in all these types of development |
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| A mixture of all of these |
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| If in keeping and not on green fields |
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| NONE, it is a densely populated area already! |
| Check all the properties not paying council tax that are 'dormant' and get them back into use. If private owners will not do it then compulsory purchase! |

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| Could have built social accomm on TESCO site and helped keep shops open |
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| Infill only built on brownfield or existing building footprints |
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| affordability is an economic and not only a planning issue. It will not be resolved by planning policies alone. Improved competition and a community land tax could address many of the issues |
| Shared ownership is a good idea |
| Why not a mixture [of affordable hosing homes] |
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| Only infill |
| Shared ownership |
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| Low height |
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| Just infill, NO large developments |

**Q5: Where build bigger scale development**

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| Beeches, Upton Grange area |
| Larger developments of over 25 units can be accommodated as infill or redevelopment, particularly for apartments and where car parking accommodation may be reduced. Most other potential larger sites are in Green Belt or other designated open spaces which should be protected and enhanced. The Dale Camp is one of the few really large sites remaining where new housing might be justified while retaining and enhancing the open spaces and community facilities. Use of space over carparks could also be encouraged in accordance with the current NPPF proposals |
| Only infill |
| Infill |
| At the Dale Camp |
| Only in Dale if army pull out |
| On top of where fracking may take place |
| Expanse of grass behind Marl Heys bungalows. Playing field behind Wheatsheaf pub. |
| Seriously! More development! Have you ever tried getting kids to school in Upton on time. Get real. We are jam packed already. |

**Q6: Priority for spending Community Infrastructure Levy**

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| A wet weather play area for children |
| Playgrounds, youth club and sports facilities |
| Protection against fracking |
| First rate public spaces |
| Return of retail + PH at Weston Grove |
| Improve Weston Grove shops |
| Anything to promote, make more pleasant walking |
| review of car parking at all shops |
| Introduction of #8 bus stop near Cheshire Sports Centre / High School on RETURN journey from Liverpool |
| Road repairs urgently needed |
| Pot holes |
| Pavement & road maintenance |
| let Parish Councillors decide |
| To improve governance and accountability the Parish Council should publish its accounts, and proposals and conduct a public referendum, or similar, regularly to help determine the use of money from the Community Infrastructure Levy and other sources |
| Don't want significant development |
| No room for development |
| Pavements, roads |
| Resurface ALL roads as most are Ina deplorable state |
| Depends how much it is, cannot comment without knowing |
| What is significant development |

**Q7: Public transport to meet needs**

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| use small buses, no diesel but LPG good |
| Buses |
| more late buses |
| As noted in the previous survey responses. Transport is likely to change dramatically with improved digital communications and technological developments such as autonomous vehicles which will could obviate fixed public transport routes and schedules and radically alter traffic flow, road and junction design and the need for large spaces for car parking. |
| Bus fares must be cheaper. It is more cost effective to get a taxi into Chester than the bus for a family (2 adults, 2 teenagers) |
| Buses too large for roads and too fast - causing damage - could make Mill Lane one way with 20 limit |
| We have good transport links at Bache |
| More frequent buses |
| As now |
| Free travel on Park & Ride for bus pass holders |
| We don't use buses |
| I think the fact there are no buses from Chester after 7.00-7.30 pm is dreadful |
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| See answer to questions above, ie new #8 bus stop. #53 bus reinstated. Bus in Weston Grove to Bache |
| Public transport is good |
| More No. 51 buses instead of every 30 min |
| More parking for railway and hospital |

**Q7: Investment in Walk and Cycleways**

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| no room for cycle ways; get rid of large delivery lorries |
| keep walk and cycle ways separate |
| cycling difficult because of school transport? |
| Cyclists need shared space with pedestrians |
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| As noted on the previous survey responses and Issues and Opportunities documents. Improvements should be made to narrow, intermittent and dangerous footpaths particularly on Mill Lane and Upton Lane, and in conjunction with the Borough and neighbouring areas better foot and cycle links should be made particularly to the city centre, the Greenway and the canal |
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| Away from busy traffic |
| Join up existing cycleways and cycle lanes so that cyclists encouraged to cycle where it is safest, not on the main roads |
| Cycleways to all schools |
| We would definitely cycle more |
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| Cycle way connection to the Sustrans Greenway |
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| Streets are a problem |