

Raw Data from Village Plan Survey Regarding the Casterton Plan 2030



The data below has been downloaded from the online village plan survey completed in May 2025. The manually completed surveys were input into the online survey and are included in the data below.

A total of 96 responses were received.

All submissions received have been made anonymous.

It is anticipated that few people will require this level of detail but it has been made available for several reasons;

1. to ensure that there is full transparency about the responses were received,
2. to make available additional detail for project leaders who volunteer to manage subsequent projects,
3. to provide an historical snapshot of the concerns and thoughts of villagers in 2025.

The public presentation in the village hall and the summary report used this data. Both will be published on the village website (<https://www.castertonparishcouncil.org.uk/the-village-plan/>) in due course.

2. Roads

1. How safe do you feel walking or cycling around the roads and lanes of the village?				
Answer Choices	Very safe	Fairly safe	Unsafe	Response Total
A683	6.25% 6	30.21% 29	63.54% 61	96
Local small roads and lanes	38.54% 37	56.25% 54	5.21% 5	96
			answered	96
			skipped	0

2. If unsafe, what do you suggest could help?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	55
1	Consider a footpath in the field from golf club / garage to devils bridge		
2	Enforce speed limits. Educate Casterton school parents about how to drive on narrow lanes		
3	More visible signposting to encourage pedestrians in particular onto the High Casterton backroad and not A683. Perhaps 'pedestrians'/'cyclists' warning signs on the A683 as well - given that no matter how much effort goes into encouraging people to use the back lanes, inevitably in Summer, particularly visitors will still walk up and down the A683 to KL and back		
4	There are already sufficient safe routes to Kirkby Lonsdale but people should be made more aware of them		
5	More footpaths - or a permissive to the golf course		
6	It's a good question. I walk my dogs around most of the lanes and probably 80% of drivers leave no room for error. They pass at dangerously high speeds, yesterday a young rider on a pony was frightened by a speeding motorist. What can we do about it?/ I don't know, the lanes I use tend to have a 60mph speed limit and 'CAUTION' signage would be ignored. It's a problem for sure. Additionally, crossing the road to the Pheasant can be dangerous . . we stop, listen, and run!! 🙋♀		
7	A path way from Casterton to Golf Club, sign posted to Woodside C P then to Devil's Bridge Or Cross over existing pathway to top of Colliers Lane then rt.to Laitha Lane and proceed down the bridle path to Woodside CP and to Devils Bridge		
8	Pedestrian and bike path to Kirkby		
9	no practical solution		
1	Reduce Speed of traffic		
0			
1	Should be classified as 'Quiet Roads'.		
1			
1	Ideally, pavements/ paths or mirrors on the sharper bends to see ahead more easily.		
2			
1	Still to speed limits		
3			
1	More signage directing walkers to stay off the A683 between Casterton and Devil's Bridge.		
4			
1	footpaths		
5			
1	20mph speed limit through village		
6			
1	Pedestrian walkways where feasible and No Parking on the A683 through the village		
7			
1	A footpath which continued all the way down through the fields to Devils Bridge - as at the moment you come off the field onto the A683!		
8			
1	A footpath on the fields along the A683 allowing access from Casterton Golf course entrance to by the garage.		
9			
2	A footpath or slower speed signs		
0			
2	Speed mitigation measures for the A683 through the village ideally 20mph with enforcement (?camera).		
1	Speed bumps on the back lanes through Higher Casterton may slow up kamikaze delivery drivers! (one can live in hope).		
2	A 20 mph speed limit through the village		
2	Speed reduction measures on the lanes at the school and cross roads ? Rumble strips		
2	I'm not sure, it's a busy road so I take extra care if I have to walk on it. I don't know if 20 mph would help		
3	or traffic calming measures. Depends on what the research says on how effective the different measures are.		
2	Traffic slowing measures on A683 through the village.		
4			
2	I don't think anything short of off-road cycle routes will help. The roads are narrow, visibility is poor, and there are too many vehicles on the road. I don't see a way to change those things		
5			
2	Speed indicator devices on the main road and Wandales Lane.		
6			
2	Slowing traffic or making dedicated walking routes.		
7			
2	off road footpaths		

8			
2	Our issue is the A683. It should be 30 MPH but very few drivers take notice of this. We try not to walk on it but sometimes there is no choice. Maybe better markings on the road. 30 in big white letters. Otherwise more and larger signs with 30 on. From the School house by the little bridge up to the Garage drivers do slow down. Its the roads before and after which are very dangerous		
9			
3	Path to avoid A683 between garage and golf club.		
0	Footpath across field from Casterton Hall to A683 be modified to exit opposite golf club		
	Sign the path between village hall round back of houses to garage		
3	Drop speed limit to 20 through main part of village with a speed camera?		
1			
3	Footpath or bridleway		
2	Speed signs		
3	speed warning signs approaching town end garage from KL and prior to high and low folly barn		
3			
3	Too much traffic going too fast		
4			
3	40 mph speed limit from Devil's Bridge		
5			
3	Lower speed limit on the A683 from Devils Bridge to the first Barbon turning.		
6			
3	Lower speed limit on the A683		
7			
3	Lower speed limit on the A683, from Devils bridge		
8			
3	Perhaps some sort of traffic calming measure?		
9			
4	Don't walk on A683 use alternative safe walking route.		
0			
4	I hardly ever walk at night, so my answer is just about daytime.		
1			
	You want an answer to no. 4, but I don't really know.		
4	Clearly signposted pathways for visitors to avoid accidents. Lower speed limit in village as cars ignore the 30mph. No parking on A683 especially on school events!		
2			
4	A footpath on or adjacent the A683 would remove the issue		
3			
4	Lack of footpaths and lighting on the a683 and speed of traffic makes me feel vulnerable particularly with the height of hedges limiting view around corners. A permissive path would be of benefit toward KL		
4	Footpath A683 behind hedge from devils bridge to Casterton		
4			
5			
4	Use back lanes down to the bottom of colliers lane then use the footpath between golf course		
6			
4	Use the footpath down to Kirkby Lonsdale		
7			
	Use the back lanes through the village to Colliers Lane.		
4	Sign at the entrance to gunnel next to the Village Hall say "To Garage & Shop"		
8	Ask W&FDC Highways to paint a gateway road marking either side of the narrow roadway outside the Pheasant		
4	We need to have a footpath around the village that allows us to walk along the A683.		
9	Would be good to have an alternative path to walk to KL.		
5	No need to walk along the 683. Good footpaths to Kirkby Lonsdale		
0			
5	Better signage to direct walkers off the main road between Casterton and Devil's Bridge		
1			
5	More signage to direct pedestrians off the road between Casterton and Devli's Bridge.		
2			
5	Don't walk down A683.		
3	Use signposted safe walking route		
5	Extend 30mph or introduce 20mph (30mph at least past Tollbar/golf club, preferably all the way to Devils Bridge)		
4	The whole health of Casterton depends on reducing traffic speed.		
5	Reduce speed limit		
5			
			answered 55
			skipped 41

3. Whilst there is no space for raised footways on much of the A683 through the village, would you like to see improved facilities for pedestrian safety such as:

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Painted footways (as per photo) between The Pheasant and the garage		53.01%	44
2	Painted footways between the church and Greenber Lane		46.99%	39
3	'Warning pedestrians' signs		53.01%	44
4	Anything else (please specify):		31.33%	26
			answered	83
			skipped	13

Anything else (please specify): (26)

1	Ideally a permissive path either side of the road- but I appreciate the golf course and the farmer may not agree to that.
2	Is there sufficient width though to accommodate painted footways and traffic in both directions.
3	As above separate segregated path
4	No urbanisation, it is a rural village
5	nothing
6	Speed bumps
7	Should be at 50mph
8	Don't feel that anything like that is necessary. I think printed footway are actually dangerous as could give a false sense of security with no guarantee that vehicles will avoid them.
9	traffic calming
10	30 mph signs
11	There is a disconnect between the public footpath emerging from Casterton Hall and joining the path beside the golf course making it necessary to walk a dangerous section of the main road and outside the 30 mph speed limit.
12	Maybe a reduced speed limit say 20 leading to the bend by the garage and pub
13	I don't walk around Casterton much
14	As above, if they are shown to have an effect.
15	Traffic slowing measures at entrance to village on A683.
16	All the above are pointless Not any segregation
17	school crossing point could be better signed with proper safety features possibly lights
18	Average speed cameras?
19	Extend 30 mile limit from the village to Devil's Bridge
20	The crossing the school children make to their games pitches is a worry, due to some cars breaking the speed limit. Some sort of road crossing would make it much safer.
21	Permissive paths
22	Footpath on colliers lane - other side of hedge?
23	Having lived with painted footways, they are ineffective and expensive to maintain. ALL concentration should be on speed.
24	Misleading photo as this is not the road in the village or has the Terrace been demolished since the survey was drawn up?
25	It's fine. I walk these roads weekly.
26	Extend painted footway from Garage to Colliers Lane next to Golf Club

4. Considering the balance between convenience, safety and dark skies, do you think the level of streetlighting is:

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Too little		9.38%	9
2	About right		81.25%	78
3	Too much		9.38%	9
			answered	96
			skipped	0

5. Are there any improvements or repairs to the roads you'd like to see? Please refer to this map to check where each road or lane is located.

Answer Choices	More passing places	Better drainage	Salting in winter	Road name signs	Road surface / potholes	Other (please specify)	Response Total
A683	10.34% 9	18.39% 16	19.54% 17	6.90% 6	43.68% 38	1.15% 1	87
1. Bents Lane	22.22% 14	19.05% 12	23.81% 15	7.94% 5	25.40% 16	1.59% 1	63
2. Flush Brow	23.40% 11	10.64% 5	29.79% 14	6.38% 3	25.53% 12	4.26% 2	47
3. Greenber Lane	21.74% 10	8.70% 4	30.43% 14	8.70% 4	26.09% 12	4.35% 2	46
4. Langthwaite Lane	18.37% 9	10.20% 5	26.53% 13	12.24% 6	30.61% 15	2.04% 1	49
5. Unnamed	22.03% 13	16.95% 10	22.03% 13	10.17% 6	25.42% 15	3.39% 2	59
6. Unnamed	18.18% 6	12.12% 4	21.21% 7	6.06% 2	36.36% 12	6.06% 2	33
7. Fern Croft	19.35% 6	12.90% 4	19.35% 6	9.68% 3	32.26% 10	6.45% 2	31
8. Smithy How	21.74% 5	13.04% 3	21.74% 5	8.70% 2	26.09% 6	8.70% 2	23
9. Wandales Lane	14.44% 13	25.56% 23	25.56% 23	5.56% 5	25.56% 23	3.33% 3	90
10. North Heads Lane	15.52% 9	10.34% 6	27.59% 16	13.79% 8	27.59% 16	5.17% 3	58
11. Collier's Lane	29.55% 26	9.09% 8	26.14% 23	1.14% 1	30.68% 27	3.41% 3	88
12. Gateheads Brow	16.00% 8	8.00% 4	40.00% 20	8.00% 4	26.00% 13	2.00% 1	50
13. Fell Road	22.73% 15	15.15% 10	27.27% 18	6.06% 4	27.27% 18	1.52% 1	66
14. Unnamed	20.93% 9	9.30% 4	32.56% 14	6.98% 3	27.91% 12	2.33% 1	43
15. Laitha Lane	13.89% 5	13.89% 5	38.89% 14	0.00% 0	22.22% 8	11.11% 4	36
16. Well Lane	16.67% 10	21.67% 13	21.67% 13	6.67% 4	30.00% 18	3.33% 2	60
17. Chapel House Lane	28.21% 22	15.38% 12	23.08% 18	1.28% 1	29.49% 23	2.56% 2	78
18. Long Lane	17.95% 7	12.82% 5	30.77% 12	2.56% 1	33.33% 13	2.56% 1	39
						answered	77
						skipped	19

What else and where? (28)

1	All roads should be named- not only for the delivery vans but most particularly for emergency services. We are always having to give directions. Could this road map be put on the notice boards as well
2	Marked out parking bays for the private parking at Fern Croft
3	The A683 between the Pheasant Inn and Casterton golf course. The road surface has been recently 'botched up' but is still dreadful.
4	Consider not salting roads as they go into water table. Apply similar to the French Alps (!) and use grit/tiny stones instead. More environmental friendly!
5	Where's any money coming from
6	We from Red Rose report numerous potholes on Fell Road every year. They get repaired but poor;y. Not sealed at the edges so next winter opens them up again
7	Salting (or salt box) at the right hand bend at junction of Chapel House Lane and Chapel Garth Reminder on Bridle Path (Woodclose/ Golf Course) that people should expect to meet horses. The golf course have signs crossing from the car park to the par 3 but dog walkers and visitors often seem surprised elsewhere on the path
8	Many of the lanes are too narrow for some of the vehicles which attempt to use them. Not sure how this can be addressed other than clearer signage.
9	Hedges kept cut back
10	15 Laitha Lane - surface is starting to be uneven
11	I'm afraid I haven't really been here long enough to know what I would find helpful as I don't know the roads well and haven't had a winter here. Generally salting is always a great help and on the narrower lanes more passing places. Sorry to not be more help but I feel people who have been here longer have more knowledge of what is needed. Thank you for all your hard work on improving the village. Much appreciated.
12	Should remove the diagonal piece of road at the crossroads of Gateheads Brow and Wandales, dangerous for both vehicles and pedestrians.
13	Speed limit sign Wansdale lane Consider one way system around village
14	clear road signage would help people find addresses (could be critical for emergency services)
15	pavements near garage in Smithy How are in a bad state
16	Trees and bushes need cutting back below the bridge on Well Lane.
17	The surface needs improvement at the end of Laitha Lane where it becomes the bridleway.
18	Colliers lane/ North heads lane cross roads: ALL road slow markings need replacing and warning of cross roads. Drains need emptying and cleaning regularly to reduce flooding. Bin used mainly for dog waste and is very smelly needs re siting away from post box and newspaper box. A hard edging would benefit this verge from vehicles constantly parking.
19	Laitha Lane - possibly an "Unsuitable for motor vehicles" sign to stop people driving down the track and getting stuck in the footpath.
20	The large Ash tree between Field Edge and the school is a danger, its boughs hang over the lane and often fall on the power cables while its roots go through the main drain, water and gas distribution system which could cut off the supply to the village
21	Footpath between village hall and fern Croft - better lighting at the steps and a grit bin. At present I grit this with grit I have bought as it is easier than walking to a council grit bin to ensure public safety. It would also be unsafe to walk to a grit bin due to the incline when icy
22	Hedges kept trimmed back on colliers lane . no. 11 Footpath on other side of hedge if possible. Used by many pedestrians
23	Resurface occasionally but needs to be done proper so that the grass middles don't keep appearing.
24	No 6 needs the hole that is currently covered by a metal sheet to be investigated and repaired. It has been there since Storm Desmond! It is a Public Right of Way and present a trip hazard.
25	Road water drainage down at Tollbar road curve has just been destroyed by council work.
26	There is no need for any road name signs
27	Wearing out surface between garage and golf course
28	2. Flush Brow - there's a large hole in the passing place which needs attention. 3. Greenber Lane is now resurfaced but has left drops on either side which need to be filled.

3. Village Environment

6. Do you think the number and location of benches, litter/dog-poo bins and salt bins is:				
Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Too few		28.13%	27
2	About right		59.38%	57
3	Too many		1.04%	1
4	Don't know		11.46%	11
			answered	96
			skipped	0
If you think any should be added or removed please say where and what type: (22)				
1	Could we have a bench where the footpath leaves the road for Brownthwaite Pike. It's a steep climb and a great view. It also looks as if there was once a base for a bench up there.			
2	Speaking as a non dog owner, we need more dog poo bins for sure.			
3	Locals need educating to clean up after their dogs !			
4	Some of the benches are old and decrepit, particularly the ones at the junction of Langthwaite Lane and the one at the top of Gateheads Brow. Litter/dog-poo bins are few and far between. We need more to encourage people to 'pick up'. Perhaps one between the end of Langthwaite Lane and the school, one near the start of Laitha Lane and one by the little grassy area at the top of Gateheads Brow.			
5	It is not suburbia. Who will pay for even more infrastructure and maintenance			
6	poo bins around school and along North Heads			
7	Salt bins if roads not being salted.			
8	Salt bin near entrance of Chapel Garth for the hill there			
9	Dog poo bin located at cross road in Higher Casterton next to the golf course (adjacent to 2nd tee) would be helpful			
10	Could be more dog poo bins perhaps at the cross roads			
11	Add at the crossroads of Gatesheads Brow and Wandales. Having a seat with no bin is not ideal.			
12	For a village with so many residents and visitors who often have dogs there is not adequate bins on main walking roads There could be more salt bins			
13	top of Gateheads Brow			
14	Litter bin at cross roads Gate Heads Brow and Wandales Lane			
15	Poo bin by the church			
16	poo bin near the church seat at the bridlepath start to Brownthwaite Pike			
17	Throughout the village			
18	More poo bins might encourage those who leave bags in the hedgerows to be more responsible!			
19	Need more litter or dog poo bins especially down path beside golf club where poo bags are hung on trees!			
20	Footpath between village hall and fern Croft - the path is well used and has an incline which make it too slippery to walk along when icy. It isn't possible to walk to fern Croft to access the grit bin and as such, I personally buy grit to de ice the path for my neighbours and the huge number of dog walkers who use the path			
21	Too few poo bins. Also need poo bag dispensers maintain by Parish Council			
22	Colliers lane/ Northheads lane cross roads' bin - used mainly for 'dog waste' and very smelly, needs moving away from post box and newspaper bin.			

7. Are the hedges, verges and village green cared for enough?

Answer Choices	Yes	No	Don't know	Response Total
Hedges	76.04% 73	17.71% 17	6.25% 6	96
Verges	69.79% 67	18.75% 18	11.46% 11	96
Village Green	59.38% 57	15.63% 15	25.00% 24	96
			answered	96
			skipped	0

If no, what could be better? (25)

1	The grass on the village green was cut by Graham with a 'drink' from the owners of the pub opposite, I'm not aware of any financial arrangement at present, but it isn't kept as well as it was and looks a little overgrown at times. The verges too would benefit from some tic.
2	More encouragement to occupiers of properties to take better care of hedges and of verges and have some pride in keeping them looked after. Village Green cared and attended by gardener and paid by Parish Council
3	Please leave wild flowers in verges until seeded... Like Sedbergh, have "Slow for Hedgehogs" sign as they enter/exit village?
4	They could be looked after.
5	It is a village so verges and hedges are maintained to that of a rural standard. It's not a problem that blackthorn is planted which creates punctures when hedges are cut, or cars are scratched by vegetation, move back to suburbia if you want that lifestyle
6	Hedges seem to be cut at random based on the field owner's whim. Often cut too severely and the debris left all over the lanes/road.
7	needs to be tidied up and made smart again
8	The hedge at the top of Smithy How is always missed when hedge trimming takes place. I usually end up trying to do it myself with the garden hedge trimmer. The council say its not their responsibility.
9	Hedges encroach on the road. The debris after they are cut creates which ends up in the verges are a hazard for tyres, too many punctures! Village Green - with no fencing around it is a hazard if people want to use it. For example, the christmas tree lighting couldn't be done there due to proximity to busy winding road. Could it be fenced, perhaps then a small play area?
10	Occasional litter picking.
11	Unmown wildlife verges and areas are good!
12	Removal of hedge cuttings from road More awareness of wild flowers on verges
13	The village green can look overgrown at times with the grass needing mowing but at the moment it looks very good
14	Some verges need preventative measures to stop wagons trashing them eg crossroad Colliers Lane by post box
15	Some of the hedges are left for a long time between cuts and then cut back very harshly.
16	Verges need cutting back more than once during the summer. When getting away from cars the verges are full of nettles
17	Some hedges are overgrown and need to be trimmed each autumn.
18	Regular gardener employed to maintain the Village Green. Chippings under seating need replacing and path renewing.
19	Sorry - don't get out much.
20	The footpath around Casterton Golf Club becomes overgrown and virtually impassable before being eventually chopped back. This could be done sooner perhaps.
21	Nettles on path next to golf club
22	More regular cutting
23	Better care to grass verges/hedges would allow pedestrians to mount when facing oncoming vehicles. Resulting in it not being necessary to have painted pedestrian paths on the roads.
24	Village Green needs regular Maintenance - employ a gardener.
25	Should be as 1950

8. Would you be interested in helping to manage these places to encourage pollinators and wildlife?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes (please include your contact details at the end)		22.92%	22
2	No		77.08%	74
			answered	96
			skipped	0

9. Do you have any concerns about overhead cables?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		13.54%	13
2	No		78.13%	75
3	Not sure		8.33%	8
			answered	96
			skipped	0

If yes, where: (13)

1	the open reach cable going over our garden sags to below head height and needs to be frightened up 2-3 times a year
2	The ones by the village green and overhead between my house and the adjacent property on Fern Croft.
3	Overhead power cables especially on lanes between church and High Casterton weave in and out of trees which surely poses a risk of power loss during bad weather.
4	Far too many , they spoil the rural feel.
5	All or any electric and BT cables in the village.
6	North Heads Lane
7	Are all the old BT ones still be used? The electricity ones, could we try to get them underground?
8	The cabling by the beck are I think at risk during winter storms from overhanging trees and should be cut back more severely.
9	North heads lane on the main high voltage supply that runs from near the golf course to Sedbergh, if there's any fault between casterton and Sedbergh we all loose power. The same is true of the lower voltage distribution lines that run over the road
10	Power supply often been interrupted due to damage to these junctions between crossroads and high casterton
11	Road No6 maintenance of trees with the risk of the power line being brought down in storm weather
12	Worrying about the beck lane which goes by low wood. We have concerns about a couple of trees which we believe are dead and would cause considerable damage if they fell down. We contacted underlay previously about our concerns
13	All of them

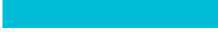
4. Village Facilities

10. Which venues, facilities and businesses in the village and wider parish do you use (please answer for each one)?					
Answer Choices	Regularly	Occasionally	Never	Not aware of this	Response Total
The Pheasant	27.08% 26	62.50% 60	9.38% 9	1.04% 1	96
Village Hall	21.88% 21	47.92% 46	29.17% 28	1.04% 1	96
Church	3.13% 3	31.25% 30	63.54% 61	2.08% 2	96
Town End Garage & shop	37.50% 36	50.00% 48	11.46% 11	1.04% 1	96
Village Green	1.04% 1	23.96% 23	73.96% 71	1.04% 1	96
Pavillion (school)	1.04% 1	16.67% 16	68.75% 66	13.54% 13	96
Golf course (to play golf)	14.58% 14	28.13% 27	56.25% 54	1.04% 1	96
Golf course café	20.83% 20	38.54% 37	38.54% 37	2.08% 2	96
Over 50s swimming (school)	4.17% 4	3.13% 3	65.63% 63	27.08% 26	96
Mulberry Bush nursery	1.04% 1	3.13% 3	86.46% 83	9.38% 9	96
Brownthwaite Hardy Plants	2.08% 2	41.67% 40	48.96% 47	7.29% 7	96
Pilates (village hall)	4.17% 4	9.38% 9	72.92% 70	13.54% 13	96
Devil's Bridge Snacks	2.08% 2	47.92% 46	48.96% 47	1.04% 1	96
Daleside Fabrication	1.04% 1	16.67% 16	59.38% 57	22.92% 22	96
Woodclose Caravan Park	1.04% 1	6.25% 6	89.58% 86	3.13% 3	96
Casterton Community Trust	2.08% 2	13.54% 13	68.75% 66	15.63% 15	96
				answered	96
				skipped	0

11. How do you find out about events, facilities and activities in the village (tick all that apply)?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Village website		30.21%	29
2	Village WhatsApp group		21.88%	21
3	Village Facebook group		25.00%	24
4	Posters		46.88%	45
5	AKL		62.50%	60
6	Online search		3.13%	3
7	Word of mouth		69.79%	67
8	None of the above		3.13%	3
9	Other (please specify):		5.21%	5
			answered	96
			skipped	0
Other (please specify): (5)				
1	Red Rose cave and pothole club			
2	Leaflets through letterbox			
3	Do you mean the local what was the Jubilee WhatsApp group as that doesn't include everyone in the village as a lot do not know about it only those of us who helped at the Jubilee event originally but it is very good to have			
4	I had no idea that there is a village WhatsApp group			
5	Noticeboards			

12. Are there any other things you'd like to see happening if someone would be prepared to organise them and facilities were made available?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Tennis (with permission from the school)		27.78%	20
2	Swimming for younger adults (with permission from the school)		15.28%	11
3	Beer festival (with help from The Pheasant)		51.39%	37
4	Coffee mornings at the village hall		34.72%	25
5	Concerts in the church		33.33%	24
6	Walking group		43.06%	31
7	Cycling group		22.22%	16
8	Allotments		11.11%	8
9	Children's play area		8.33%	6
10	Darts team (with help from The Pheasant)		18.06%	13
11	Anything else (please specify):		22.22%	16
			answered	72
			skipped	24
Anything else (please specify): (16)				
1	swimming more than once a week			
2	Good yoga in village hall.			
3	Na			
4	none			
5	Running group. Yoga classes.			
6	Community garden			
7	No mention of Bullpot Farm in list above			
8	Sorry can't help I work away a lot			
9	A cafe in the village.			
10	Yearly village fair. Fireworks/ bonfire			
11	Occasional cuppa and cake afternoons at Pheasant or Village Hall. I, and maybe others, cannot get to morning meetings in time. What about an occasional Cuppa and Cake Afternoon at the Pheasant or the Village Hall? Also a yearly Community Litter Pick. Also maybe Carol Singing round the village at Christmas (one night High Casterton; another night "Low" Casterton.) You need somebody musical to organise this to give the right note etc.!			
12	Crafts club			
13	Chess Club			
14	Paddle Court			
15	none			
16	Cricket club, football club			

13. Would you be interested in helping to organise any of the above?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes (please include your contact details at the end)		20.83%	20
2	No		79.17%	76
			answered	96
			skipped	0

5. Access & Rights of Way

14. How often do you use the footpaths and bridleways around the village and wider parish e.g. up Brownthwaite or Casterton Fell, or between different parts of Casterton?				
Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Daily		38.54%	37
2	Weekly		32.29%	31
3	Monthly		11.46%	11
4	Occasionally		12.50%	12
5	Never		5.21%	5
			answered	96
			skipped	0

15. Are there any features of the footpaths which make them difficult to use?

Answer Choices	Yes	No	Response Total
Stiles	30.77% 24	69.23% 54	78
Gates	21.05% 16	78.95% 60	76
Signage	16.44% 12	83.56% 61	73
Surface	22.37% 17	77.63% 59	76
Livestock	15.07% 11	84.93% 62	73
			answered
			87
			skipped
			9

If yes, where? (35)

1	The gates on the bridlepath past mindless are in poor repair. Difficult to open on foot and impassable on a horse
2	the gate infant of Casterton cottage is too narrow for many people
3	Various as previously stated but Wandales Lane in particular is impassable in places when icy due to flooding.
4	Where the livestock are
5	Dog friendly styles from caravan park over Wiilmans field Green lane gate from Bindloss I thought that the national park was responsible for maintenance they don't seem to do very much
6	Sometimes there is cattle in the field towards Barbon, near Whelprig.
7	at either end of field between the Grange and the Lune - footpath to Barbon
8	Several fallen trees in the woods behind Casterton Grange, near Gildard Hill. Signage could be improved behind Casterton Hall.
9	Stile near Town End garage
10	Some of the gates are difficult to open, rusted springs or broken wood.
11	Stiles to west of village (near Casterton Grange down to river) very difficult for dogs). Signage not always clear about right of way in same area.
12	Some stiles are difficult for dog walkers to navigate and the path behind the garage is difficult to access
13	Roman Road and access points along it
14	Make good footpath around golf course
15	On the way up to Brownthwaite
16	Fallen tree across the footpath in the Underley Estate. Very difficult stile on the footpath across the fields going towards the Lune. A fixed post which doesn't wobble would help.
17	The stile going from Casterton through the sheep fields towards the river is high and wobbly both the stone steps and the wood Barbed wire on several stiles is a nuisance for dogs The path through the woods has been obstructed by a tree for more than a year
18	The gate on the lane leading to whoop hall in the middle is difficult to open. I'm not sure about livestock, sheep are absolutely fine but cows are for me, I tend to avoid! But not sure if I've come across any in Casterton area.
19	Generally well maintained
20	The path from bull pot farm to Barbon Dale is damaged by off road bikes.
21	foot path from Colliers to Garage; improved gate , path maintenance and gate rather than a stile where the path emerges at the garage (easier for dog walkers) gates not stiles to improve access for all levels of mobility
22	difficult to get through metal stile/gate on footpath half way between colliers lane and town end garage
23	Laiha Lane end of the bridleway gets very wet and muddy. The bridleway gets very overgrown during summer with nettles which prevents people using it.
24	The nettles need cutting back on the bridleway to the golf course.

25	In fields between bridge and KL golf club
	Signage up in High Casterton a bit vague
26	Extremely over grown
27	Not been often on this path but cows and bulls on bindloss path can be frightening
28	Fleets Lane in Summer always overgrown
29	Often access blocked with Bull in Field notices
30	Gates between Bindloss and fell foot lane.
31	across field between The Grange and the Lune. Footpath to Barbon.
32	Path behind garage difficult to access and a number of stiles are unusable for walkers with dogs
33	A number of stiles are difficult for dog walkers to navigate and the path behind the garage could be more accessible
34	Casterton Garage to Colliers Lane, (stiles and surface)
35	Back of the garage the stile is difficult to get over. Past Ratcliffe Farm on the right the gates are very stiff.

16. Do you have any suggestions for new footpaths?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	27
1	along the old railway path towards Barbon keeping walkers off the A683 Circular walk around the village		
2	I mostly walk on the very narrow lanes without room for footpaths unfortunately.		
3	Parallel to Wandales lane as some drivers don't slow down near pedestrians. Not sure how but A65 into KL is scary and often see people walking on grass verge.		
4	Anywhere and everywhere you can get away with. Mainly segregated path to Kirkby.		
5	No		
6	Between the garage and the golf club alongside the A683 as you often see people walking down the road there.		
7	no		
8	No		
9	Better drainage		
10	Along the edge of the golf course practice ground on Colliers lane or the other side.		
11	See earlier comment regarding disconnect with path crossing main road to golf course. Also it is very inconvenient not to be able to cross the private Underley bridge. We have even waded the Lune bit found this to be dangerous. Underley have made other concessions to safety with respect to the main road footpaths migrating into fields and might consider enabling locals to officially use the bridge. It opens up a nice circular walk to include th rugby club.		
12	Yes, Along A683 Footpath to Stone Circle Make use of old railway line		
13	The footpath across the field on the Casterton Hall estate comes out onto the A683 in a dangerous location which forces walkers to walk a significant distance on a busy road. Could this path be redirected to exit the field opposite the entrance to the golf club enabling walkers to access the footpath around the golf course without walking along the A683		
14	It would be nice to be able to use the bridge on the Underly estate and then walk through past the Underly cottages rather than having to go up the drive and onto the road		
15	Not yet!		
16	If the road between the Malthouse and High Lodge could be made a public footpath and then along the verge of the A683 to Colliers Lane then that path would be a lot safer rather then across the fields to further down the A683 and back up to Colliers Lane.		
17	1) Old railway line between Bents Lane and Well Lane 2) Casterton Hall to end of Laitha Lane avoiding A683		
18	To avoid A683 garage to golf club on north side Casterton Hall to golf club		
19	Alternative route to Kirkby Lonsdale		
20	Footpath between Town end garage to golf course		
21	utilise part of the old railway track to complete a circular off road walk around the village safer than the road and would encourage healthy walking activity		
22	No		
23	Permissive paths would make walking safer		
24	Colliers lane behind hedge. Path behind hedge down A683 all way down to A65		
25	Ginnel between Village Hall & Garage. Road No6 between Beckside & Paries House. A683 between Garage & Golf Club		
26	Along the main road		
27	no		
		answered	27
		skipped	69

17. How do you find out about, and navigate around, the footpaths and bridleways (tick all that apply)?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Ordinance Survey maps		64.04%	57
2	Online mapping e.g. Google maps		28.09%	25
3	Mobile apps		20.22%	18
4	Fingerposts and signs		51.69%	46
5	Tourist Information		3.37%	3
6	Other (please specify)		20.22%	18
			answered	89
			skipped	7

18. What further information could be made available to help with accessing and navigating footpaths and bridleways?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	23
1	series of wars around Casterton to download from the website?		
2	Large visual maps on display- at info points perhaps, and in pub/village hall		
3	I imagine the most obvious thing would be a little map or pamphlet, perhaps available to visitors in the Pheasant and garage. We had one 20-plus years ago, Joan Martin compiled it, perhaps she would be willing to update it.		
4	The odd board/poster (ideally with wildlife & history information too).		
5	Usual		
6	Sufficiently covered		
7	A noticeboard near the garage and also next to the golf club with the information about safe walking routes.		
8	none		
9	Signs directing walkers up the path to join Fell Foot Lane, then on to Browthwaite and/or Barbon Fell		
10	See earlier, additional signs on the bridleways to warn people to expect horses!		
11	Local leaflet		
12	Perhaps some published walking routes starting from Casterton. Could be prepared by a local walking group or by the Pheasant, similar to how the Highwayman do it.		
13	Publish recommended walking and cycling routes on the village website		
14	The sign posts could be more helpful they need a degree of inside knowledge		
15	Make sure they're all fully mapped on OpenStreetMap, as many walking route apps (eg. Komoot) take their data from there		
16	Simply flyers in lineup venues with maps		
17	Maps on notice board or a village green Information Board Walk directions/maps on website		
18	Signs		
19	Local maps. Road name signs		
20	Leaflets with walks around Casterton		
21	"Safe Route to KL" cards given to Pheasant, all holiday lets and B&B's. Stocks replenished by Parish Council		
22	none		
23	Maybe signs to direct walkers on to Fell Foot Lane and up Browthwaite and/or Barbon Fell		
		answered	23
		skipped	73

7. Transport

19. If there were alternatives to using personal transport (e.g. car) to connect to the public transport available from Kirkby Lonsdale, would you use it?						
Answer Choices	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Occasionally	Never	Response Total
Bus service	2.11% 2	10.53% 10	3.16% 3	50.53% 48	33.68% 32	95
Car share	0.00% 0	1.05% 1	1.05% 1	25.26% 24	72.63% 69	95
Taxi	0.00% 0	6.32% 6	4.21% 4	51.58% 49	37.89% 36	95
Volunteer driver	0.00% 0	1.05% 1	0.00% 0	16.84% 16	82.11% 78	95
					answered	95
					skipped	1

20. Are you aware of the local volunteer driver scheme?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		33.68%	32
2	No		66.32%	63
			answered	95
			skipped	1

21. Would you be prepared to help as a volunteer driver?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes (please include your contact details at the end)		8.42%	8
2	No		91.58%	87
			answered	95
			skipped	1

22. If one of the existing public service buses that stop at Kirkby Lonsdale could have its route altered to call at Casterton, which bus route would be best?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Kendal (bus 567)		41.05%	39
2	Lancaster (buses 81 or 82)		10.53%	10
3	Settle (bus 581)		3.16%	3
4	Bentham (bus 583)		0.00%	0
5	No preference		45.26%	43
			answered	95
			skipped	1

8. Community Support

23. If you were unable to get out, would you have someone locally you could contact to help e.g. to collect some shopping or a prescription?				
Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		71.28%	67
2	No		12.77%	12
3	Not sure		15.96%	15
			answered	94
			skipped	2

24. In the event of an emergency e.g. prolonged power outage or heavy snow fall, would you be able to access assistance from the community?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		67.02%	63
2	No		7.45%	7
3	Not sure		25.53%	24
			answered	94
			skipped	2

25. Would you feel reassured if there was a village resilience plan to help individuals in the event of prolonged utilities failure or severe weather?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		68.09%	64
2	No		10.64%	10
3	Not sure		21.28%	20
			answered	94
			skipped	2

9. Parish Council

26. How aware are you of the activities and services provided by the Parish Council?				
Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Not at all aware		21.28%	20
2	Not so aware		27.66%	26
3	Somewhat aware		35.11%	33
4	Very aware		12.77%	12
5	Extremely aware		3.19%	3
			answered	94
			skipped	2

27. Which, if any, specific projects or initiatives undertaken recently by the Parish Council have you heard about?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	26
1	The village plan		
2	Initial assessment as to whether the historic stones on the fell could be made more publicly accessible. Village Plan Village Green		
3	I am aware that the PC printed and distributed. 'safe walking route' leaflets but i haven't seen them.		
4	Involvement in the national festivities/beacon lighting etc		
5	Very aware of its urbanisation of the village environment e.g. inappropriate location of dog poo bins, continual sign posting. Positive planting of trees		
6	Village plan 2030		
7	none		
8	Anything mentioned in the minutes		
9	the Community trust, the Pheasant, this plan		
10	None		
11	None		
12	None		
13	website grant applications Village Plan (this one) better footpath maintenance		
14	Always read the Minutes from the meeting to keep up to date		
15	Village Plan, safe walking route map		
16	Leaflets about safe walking routes to and from Kirkby Lonsdale and new fingerposts.		
17	New signs New dog poo bin		
18	village plan		
19	signage improvements and leaflets re walkways avoiding road		
20	Walking map to KL New finger posts on footpaths General administration of the parish.		
21	This Plan		
22	Portrait of King Charles III Reviewing Planning applications Re Question No. 15, I might use car share or taxi or volunteer driver to go to Kirkby Lonsdale, or Kendal, or wherever, but not to get a bus to go anywhere.		
23	None		
24	This Plan		
25	None		
26	Queens Jubilee, Kings Coronation, D-Day Beacon		
		answered	26
		skipped	70

28. Where do you typically find information about Parish Council activities (tick all that apply)?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Village website		38.30%	36
2	Village WhatsApp group		12.77%	12
3	Village Facebook group		8.51%	8
4	Posters		31.91%	30
5	AKL		29.79%	28
6	Online search		3.19%	3
7	Word of mouth		43.62%	41
8	None of the above		8.51%	8
9	Other (please specify)		6.38%	6
			answered	94
			skipped	2
Other (please specify) (6)				
1	Minutes			
2	Family and friends			
3	Don't really feel the need to seek information about the parish council.			
4	Not sure what they do			
5	Published Minutes			
6	Minutes on notice board			

29. What might encourage you to attend a Parish Council meeting (tick all that apply)?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Better publicity		22.34%	21
2	More convenient meeting times		3.19%	3
3	More relevant topics		9.57%	9
4	Chance to attend via Zoom or Teams		15.96%	15
5	Nothing		50.00%	47
6	Other (please specify)		13.83%	13
			answered	94
			skipped	2

Other (please specify) (13)

1	There seems to be a lot of aggression between a couple of residents and the council - it would be good if the heat and anger could be removed, it makes many of the residents feel as if they have no right to a view or opinion, despite the good work of the parish council
2	It is decisive
3	Being more settled (only recently moved here)
4	I will go if convenient
5	I have attended a few of these meetings and was very shocked at the bickering and negativity of some of our residents. I feel the council is doing its best for the community
6	More time in my life
7	A more collaborative and positive attitude from those that do attend.
8	less outspoken individuals attending- less conflict between people
9	Not keen to attend due to a minority of village residents reportedly behaving negatively & unsupportive on a consistent basis. Other residents have shared the uncomfortable and often confrontational reactions by some
10	Matters raised by Public were immediately added to the current agenda rather than deferred to the next meeting, which is at least three months away.
11	I am often away
12	Email alert a week before, poster at garage
13	New councillors with new leader. Male, pale and very, very stale!

10. About You

30. Are you:				
Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	At school / in full time education		2.25%	2
2	Working full or part time		33.71%	30
3	Unemployed		2.25%	2
4	Retired		56.18%	50
5	Other		5.62%	5
			answered	89
			skipped	7

31. What is your connection with Casterton?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	I live here in my main home		76.40%	68
2	I own a second home here		10.11%	9
3	I own a holiday let here		1.12%	1
4	I work here but live elsewhere		0.00%	0
5	Something else		12.36%	11
			answered	89
			skipped	7

32. How long have you lived, worked or otherwise had a connection with Casterton?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	<1 year		6.74%	6
2	1-3 years		10.11%	9
3	4-10 years		29.21%	26
4	>10 years		53.93%	48
			answered	89
			skipped	7

33. If you said 'yes' to helping with anything please provide your contact details:

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Names redacted	100.00%	27
2	Email addresses redacted	100.00%	27
3	Phone numbers redacted	92.59%	25
		answered	27
		skipped	69

End of Raw Data Report.

