



# Dobwalls & Trewidland Parish Neighbourhood Plan

**Your survey responses make it clear that you value and wish to protect our local landscape, open spaces and the natural environment .**

**99+%** of you **Strongly Agreed** or **Agreed** it is important to protect the natural beauty and character of the landscape of the Parish.



**99+%** of you **Strongly Agreed** or **Agreed** it is important to protect and enhance existing wildlife and wildlife habitats including trees, woodland, wetland, heath land and Cornish hedges.



**89%** of you **Strongly Agreed** or **Agreed** it is important to create new wildlife habitats as part of new developments. Amongst other things this may include trees and woodland, wet features, Cornish hedges and flower-rich grassland.



Agree Strongly Agree

**You also said that you wished to protect our historic environment and preserve local traditions and customary events**



**99+%** of you **Strongly Agreed** or **Agreed** it is important to protect and enhance heritage and historic sites, historic buildings, ancient industrial sites and Cornish hedges.



**97%** of you **Strongly Agreed** or **Agreed** that efforts should be made to preserve local traditional and customary events.



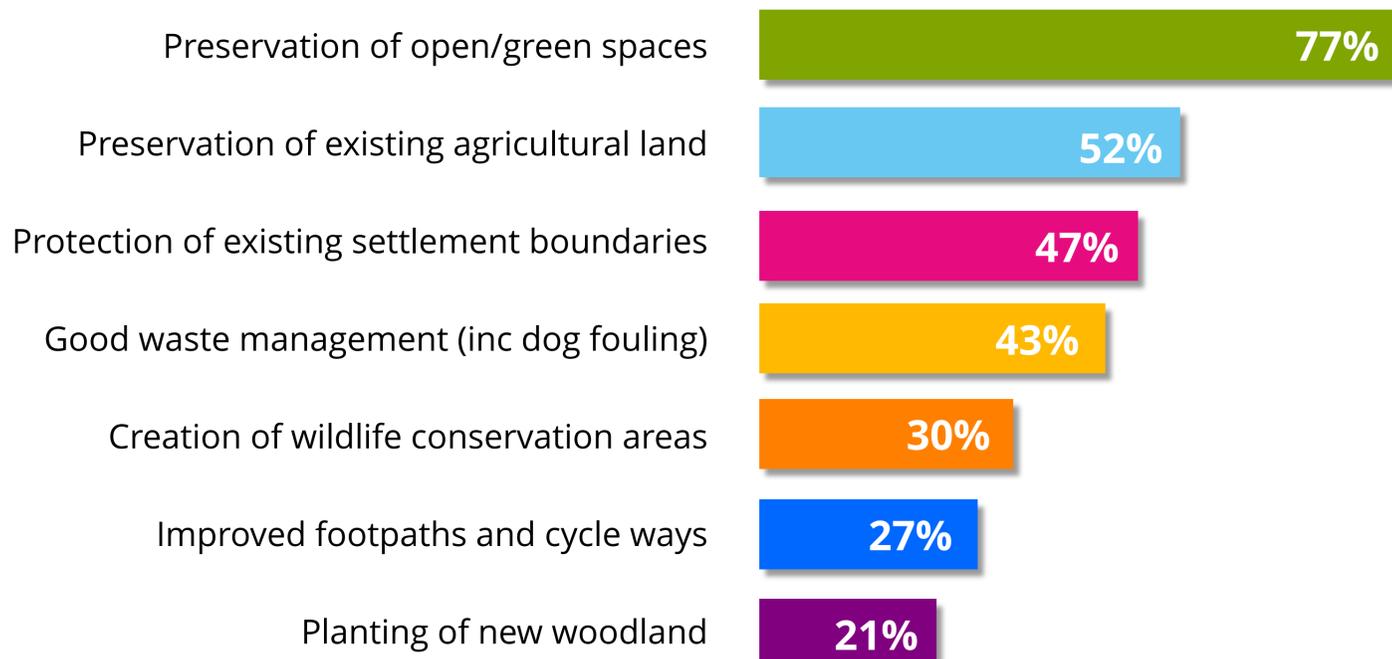
**94%** of you **Strongly Agreed** or **Agreed** that we should do more to present our local Parish and settlement history.



**86%** of you **Strongly Agreed** or **Agreed** that our cemeteries and war memorials are being appropriately maintained.

Strongly Agree Agree

**When asked to look ahead and think of the things most important to you preservation of open/green spaces was by far the most popular choice**

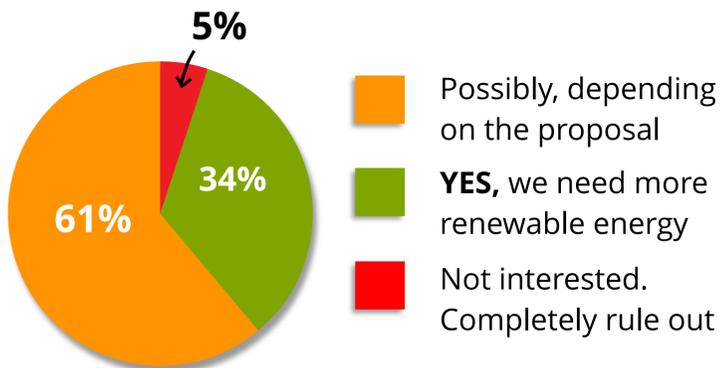


**Landscape, Natural & Historic Environment**



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*We asked, if the provision of renewable energy brought tangible benefits to our community, how would you view this? Parish wide views (left) were quite different when viewed by age group (table right).*



Age Group	Possibly, depending on the proposal	Yes, we need more renewable energy	Not interested. Completely rule out
18-30	50%	50%	0%
31-49	72%	24%	4%
50-54	59%	29%	12%
65+	67%	31%	2%
All ages	61%	34%	5%

## Differences in local responses

**Answers to questions about landscape and historic environment were broadly similar right across the Parish, although there were some subtle changes of emphasis which may reflect specific local context.**

In all areas of the Parish preservation of open/green spaces and existing agricultural land were considered important, as was the protection of existing settlement boundaries. Planting of new woodland was much less of a priority for most people.

In Trewidland, the creation of wildlife conservation areas was considered important, as was Improved footpaths and cycle ways.



The preservation of green spaces and existing agricultural land was considered important in all areas of the Parish

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All areas of the Parish were in broad agreement when it came to heritage issues.

People felt that cemeteries were being appropriately looked after, but that we could do more to present our local Parish and settlement history and efforts should be made to preserve local traditions and customary events.

Bosent Cross - a fine example of a surviving medieval cross in the Parish

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## Landscape, Natural & Historic Environment

*From your survey responses and other Neighbourhood Plan consultation exercises a number of key issues and opportunities have been identified which we hope will help to guide us when we come to draft our Neighbourhood Plan Policies.*

## Key Landscape Environment and Nature Issues and Opportunities

### Issues

- Helping people to become more aware of the qualities and value of their local landscapes.
- Impact of large scale housing development on rural sites should ensure thorough archaeological assessment of the site.
- Scale, materials and appearance of new individual building proposals should be more sensitive to local historical characteristics of domestic and other buildings.

### Opportunities

- Although there are currently no Conservation Areas designated within the Parish, the building of the Dobwalls Bypass, and the subsequent reduction in traffic on the main road through the village, may make it appropriate to reassess the quality of some of the older buildings in the centre of the Village and consider whether these should have additional protection.
- All opportunities for protecting and improving the bio diversity of sites facing development in the Parish should be taken.