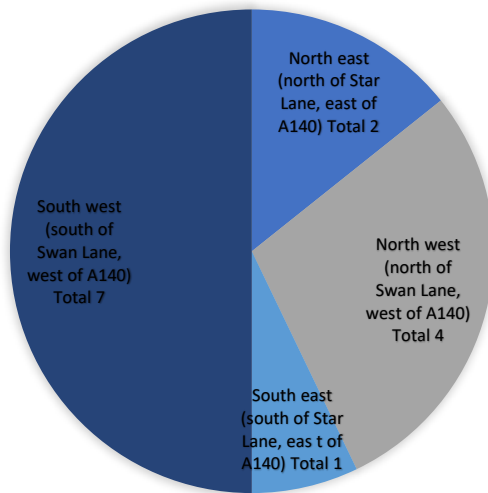


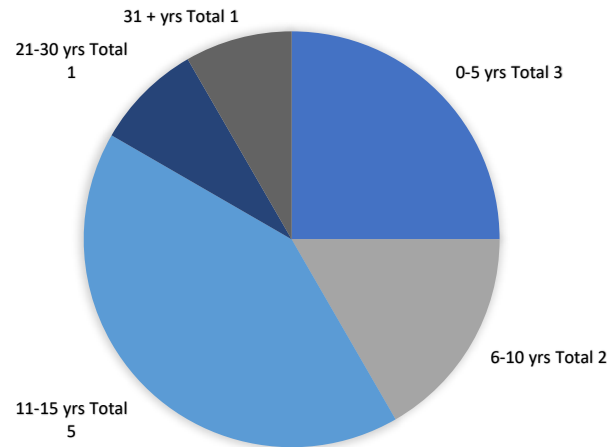


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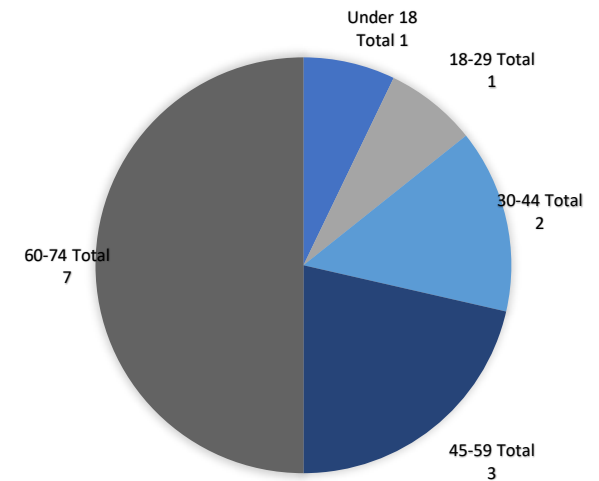
WHERE DO YOU LIVE?



HOW LONG HAVE YOU LIVED IN THE AREA?



HOW OLD ARE YOU?



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As a qualifying body in accordance with section 61g of the 1990 Town and Country Planning Act as amended by the Localism Act 2011 and Section 5 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012, Long Stratton Parish Council is undertaking a Neighbourhood Plan

# Questionnaire responses

## **Q1. What types of housing do you think Long Stratton needs?**

- More 3-bedroom houses/bungalow
- Housing that is affordable to locals but fits in with the local architecture. No more timber cladding. Also needs to be as carbon neutral as possible, houses need to have solar panels to reduce electricity bills for residents.
- Key worker, affordable, executive
- All types
- Affordable housing
- Affordable housing that is well built and large enough for young families with garden and off-road parking for at least one car
- Affordable long-term rental with option to buy. Quality flats.
- Good affordable housing in a moderate amount
- Council/Housing association
- None. There's so few jobs available in the surrounding area. All you will house is the unemployed.
- Cheap flats, rent, option to purchase or gain long term lease. 2-3 bedrooms. Modern and eco. Eco housing will bring more skilled workforce.
- Family housing. Retirement housing.
- All types
- First time buyer homes with schemes to help them purchase them
- Many attractive aesthetically looking (not cheap looking) two and three houses that people can afford

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## Questionnaire responses

### **Q2. Are there any features of local importance you feel need protecting?**

- Village Plain
- The Churches, the old houses in the centre of Long Stratton that are listed. The grassed land outside South Norfolk Council and Saffron housing.
- Green spaces
- Green spaces
- All the older houses and buildings
- Easy access to the countryside
- The church and green fields and farms around Long Stratton
- Library, the park
- The village feel and community
- None
- Keep it as green as possible
- It's too late Ice House is gone sad!!!
- Playing field. Allotments.

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## Questionnaire responses

### Q3. Do you work in Long Stratton or own a business?

- No retired
- No
- No
- No
- Yes
- No
- No
- Yes
- No
- Yes. Digital marketing firm. Strong reliance on broadband and phone line connectivity.
- No
- Work and live
- Work/Business

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### **Q4. What employment opportunities do you think Long Stratton needs?**

- More shops
- IT based businesses. Businesses that require a highly skilled and well paid workforce. We do not need more warehouses.
- Apprenticeship schemes in engineering and IT. Office and administration positions.
- Apprenticeship schemes. More office based opportunities.
- More
- Opportunities that reduce travel each day and encourage walking/cycling and less reliance on vehicles. Businesses that give young people a start on the career ladder.
- Many more opportunities for young people, school leavers. LS will become a younger population, so this is essential. Doesn't mean low skilled jobs.
- I think Long Stratton would benefit from more independent business opportunities
- For mums. For people needing 16 hours a week.
- Lots and lots if you are building houses. If there's no work then who's going to buy them?
- First time jobs for school age kids
- Launderette. Another supermarket. Some big chain shops e.g. B&M, Matalan on the Industrial Estate (like places like Beccles have).
- All sorts
- Variety of businesses, shops, restaurants but no more fast food

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## Questionnaire responses

### **Q5. Would you like a market place in Long Stratton or would you rather leave it like it is?**

- Leave as it is
- Yes, where the Fire Station and telephone exchange is now, but landscape it so it is not just a concrete slab. Grassy banks, trees and bushes.
- Viability dependant on location
- Yes
- Leave it as it is
- No, there is no need
- Market place
- Long Stratton could do fine without a market place as there are many established ones nearby
- A farmers market daily
- Yes, a market place would be good but not essential
- A market place would be nice, so long as it isn't tacky or selling useless products. Local produce and useful goods is always a winner.
- Would absolutely adore one. Outdoor seating definitely. Band stand for local artists. Water features and a duck pond.
- Market place
- Yes, for one day a week or once a month

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### **Q6. Do you have any other town centre ideas? e.g. trees, vegetation, seating away from the A140, cycle routes?**

- The existing A140 through the town needs to be duelled with a cycle route and pedestrian path. Plant local tree species that are endangered e.g. Black poplar
- No
- No
- Leave some natural countryside
- All of the above. Prioritise trees and grassy areas.
- The area around the One stop and Post Office should be improved as well as plenty of green space, trees, vegetation, fields and cycle and walking routes.
- Local vegetable garden which the community can work at
- Do you mean areas where the unemployed, the drug pushers, the criminals can congregate? No
- We need more quiet spaces to relax in. More vegetation is essential.
- Seating away from A140 definitely and all of the above
- Any trees and pedestrian walkways always good
- Better paths – current paths are uncomfortable to walk on. Seating for cafes/pubs with screening from road.

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### **Q7. Would you like to have more provision for recreation in Long Stratton?**

- Yes. Another playing field etc.
- Yes, cycle routes around the town for taking locals out into the surrounding countryside. A theatre in town for children as well as adults. An exhibition area for artists. An area for boules as well as bowling.
- Yes, especially for children
- Yes
- We have ample
- Housing plans should include play areas for children to play near their houses
- Yes, too few opportunities. Need more activities for Leisure Centre/new Leisure Centre.
- Long Stratton has plenty already
- No
- No
- Sure. Young families will find this important.
- Better facilities at the playing fields e.g. toilets/changing room facilities
- Yes
- Swimming pool for the Public. Bowling Alley.

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## Questionnaire responses

### **Q8. As well as the need for schools and doctors, what other infrastructure do you think Long Stratton requires?**

- All of the above and car park
- Theatre, Art studio, large supermarket, local farmers market, cinema
- Expansion of existing provision in line with village growth
- Business opportunities and general increase of all existing infrastructure
- Library open all hours!! Current is awful. High speed broadband. More people means slower speeds. More doctors. A more diverse range of shops and restaurants.
- More independent and or local shops and food
- Just schools and doctors. Zebra crossing on Swan Lane.
- Police, that's a novelty eh?
- Charge points for electric vehicles. Five years from now, Electric Vehicles (EV) sales will be double – or even triple – fossil fuel cars. Long Stratton will need EV infrastructure!!!!
- Tennis courts and club (nearest one is Wymondham and Hempnall). More visible police officers after 6pm, especially in park. More community events.
- Supermarket and bank
- High School Sixth Form

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## Questionnaire responses

### **Q9. What do you think of current street lighting in Long Stratton, and how important will it be in the new development?**

- Could be better
- Street lighting needs to be adequate but not excessive and cause light pollution
- Street lighting is on for too long during periods of low activity increasing light pollution and economic drain. This applies to all of the village new and old.
- Street lights need not be on from dusk to dawn. The same for the new development.
- Current lighting is okay
- Within my close the lights are off overnight – that’s ok, can’t comment on the rest of the village. Main road needs to be lit.
- Lighting could be of better quality, but more aware of housing areas (light pollution at night). Need more of it.
- The lighting is plenty and in the new development few street lights should be placed to reduce light pollution and expense.
- It’s fine
- Turning the lights off at midnight is asking for trouble. Burglars delight!
- We’ll need more of it, and preferably not orange light!
- Needs to be more lit up especially in shopping areas
- Important
- Lighting could go off during the night on housing estates. Keep on in main areas. Change to LED lighting.

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## Questionnaire responses

**Q10. Do you live in the Long Stratton NP area? If so, for how long have you lived here?**

<b>0-5 years</b>	3	<b>6-10 years</b>	2	<b>11-15 years</b>	5	<b>16-20 years</b>	
<b>21-30 years</b>	1	<b>31 years or more</b>	1	<b>I don't live here, I only work here</b>		<b>I don't live or work here</b>	

**Q11. How old are you?**

<b>Under 18</b>	1	<b>18-29</b>	1	<b>30-44</b>	2	<b>45-59</b>	3
<b>60-74</b>	7	<b>75 and over</b>					

**Q.12. Please tell us roughly where you live?**

<b>North East (North of Star Lane, East of A140)</b>	2	<b>North West (North of Swan Lane, West of A140)</b>	4	<b>South East (South of Star Lane and East of A140)</b>	1
<b>South West (South of Swan Lane and West of A140)</b>	7	<b>Tharston</b>		<b>Out of Area</b>	

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### **Any other comments –**

- How are you going to stop the A140 becoming a rat run? With so many roundabouts on the by-pass it'll be quicker to cut through.  
I objected to Norfolk Homes plans and was told 'Tough, we're building them anyway'. So, you'll have to excuse me if I say this is a waste of time, you'll do whatever you want anyway.  
We, the residents of Long Stratton don't need a by-pass. The commuters who travel through do!
- We need more car parking in the centre. Probably where the fire station is.  
Car parking out of the centre would not be helpful.  
Also, desperately need better parking near to the existing schools.
- The consultancy firm you (the LSPC) have employed have good suggestions e.g. more zebra crossings, trees etc.....all very well but only cosmetic. Not touching on the real problem that's going to occur in the future, namely a large car park to be made available in the centre of town. This means planning for now, and LSPC strongly claiming/staking for the land at the present fire station area AND the house and large garden area behind the fire station and the Co-op. Subject of course to the owner wishing to sell!

Long Stratton will become a really large town, and is the hub for shopping for Morning Thorpe, Tharston, Forncett, Wacton, Great Moulton, Hempnall, Fritton, Pulham etc! With the eventual 1800 houses (possibly 2300?) this means another 2000 cars at least. The present Co-op car park in the centre is only just coping at present. Swan Lane and Manor Road gets congested around 3pm every day already when parents pick children up from school. The future will be worse.

A thought for any future Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan Committee open to the public that you may have....would you make available on sheets of A4 paper a list of all the ideas and suggestions the public have made so as everyone can read what the consensus of opinions residents have made.

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