

Survey Results

During the summer the Focus Team delivered a residents survey to many households in the ward, covering a variety of issues such as street cleaning, refuse collection, traffic safety and shopping provision.

There was a tremendous response to the survey and we have dealt with as many issues as possible and continue to do so.

An outline of the results is enclosed inside and the actions already taken.

We would like to thank all those who took the time to respond to the survey.

Caroline Roberts

Loraine Brinkhurst

Action on Footpath



Following years of campaigning by local councillors and residents the footpath from RUH to Newbridge Hill has now been re-surfaced in its worst places. Over time this well used path has deteriorated in quality so Cllr's Loraine Brinkhurst and Caroline Roberts finally secured funding for the work earlier this year.

Now that the work has been done and following requests from residents the Council are due to install barriers at the entrances to prevent motorbikes using the footpath.

Planning



A planning application has been submitted to the Council for housing on the old Coal Yard in Station Road.

Local Councillors have asked residents for their views on a possible residents parking scheme in Station Road and Ashley Avenue.

Residents have been concerned about lack of spaces for locals and residents parking may be an answer.

The Focus Team will only look in to this if this is the wish of the majority of residents.



Survey results

Traffic and safety



58% of respondents are car users

Nearly 72% favour traffic calming measures in their area.
Over 90% of respondents favour 20 mph limits or safety measures near schools.

Cleaning and Refuse collection



A majority of respondents said the service is good (72%) or Average (23%)

The road sweeping service did not fare so well with 45% grading it as average and 31% as poor.

Over 82% did not know about the Council's Action Line (394041)

Support for Local Shops



Over 98% of respondents shop regularly or sometimes in Bath City Centre

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Nearly 80% said their shopping habits had not been affected by the introduction of the Bus Gate in Bath City Centre, and several of those who had been affected said they now shop more regularly in the City Centre.

The shops that you think are missing from Bath are old fashioned habdashers, butchers, grocers, ironmongers, hardware shops, but most popular was a good department store.

Your top Priorities



Your top priority was crime/law and order/vandalism with over 18% of the vote, with Public transport second with 14%. Environment, Education, Road Safety, and care services for the elderly, disabled and children were the next priority.

Introducing jobs and business to the City, facilities for young people and sport and leisure provision were the lowest priorities.

Liberal Democrats Working All Year Round

Action

As a result of the residents surveys.....



The bus shelter in **Brassmill Lane** is to be replaced with a new shelter-

Several concerns were received about the speeding traffic in Penn Lea Road as a result the Focus Team have requested the Council to investigate traffic calming measures.

30 m.ph. for Newbridge Road

A number of residents wanted an extension of the 30 mph limit in Newbridge Road, in reponse to a letter delivered to all houses in Newbridge Road in the 40 mph area, the overall majority were in favour of the proposal.



A request has now gone in to the Highways department for an extension of the 30 mph limit.

Overhanging hedges contact action line



A number of people have been concerned about hedges overhanging the pavements. It is the responsibility of the property owner to keep hedges cut back off the pavement. When the Council receives a complaint they ask the householder to cut back the hedge. If they do not the Council will do the work and charge the property owner.

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If you have any problems with overhanging hedges you can contact Action Line on 394041

If you have any comment, problems, or anything you would like more information about please return this slip to Cllr Caroline Roberts 11 Old Newbridge Hill Bath BA1 3LX. Tel 336366

Comment/problem

Name

Address



RUH parking



During the summer a planning application was put forward for a staff car park for use by the RUH for up to 5 years. This application was turned down by the planning department.

Cllrs Caroline Roberts and Loraine Brinkhurst asked for this decision to be re-considered and asked for the application to be debated by the planning committee, so residents and other interested parties can have their say on this important issue.

****Stop Press**** At the recent meeting of the planning committee, Councillors agreed to give permission to temporary staff car parking for 5 years.

Action in Newbridge

Replacement street nameplates are on order for **Avondale Road and Avon Park**.

New white wording has been put on **Avondale Road and Brassmill Lane** advising HGV's that there is a no through route, and further improved signage is to be put near the entrance to Avondale Road following a meeting between Cllr Loraine Brinkhurst and Cllr Caroline Roberts and the Council's traffic engineer.



Also at that meeting we have been looking at ways to try and ensure that lorries visiting the industrial estates are directed in and out the right way. further signage should be put at the entrance to **Brassmill Lane**.

Councillors have requested that a traffic island be put in **Brassmill Lane** opposite the open space, as the road is not suitable for a pedestrian crossing.



Re-cycling trials for the area.

The Council were due to begin weekly trials of garden waste and cardboard re-cycling at the beginning of October. **Burleigh Gardens, Partis Way, South Lea Road and West Lea Road** have been included as trial areas.

Pavements

The pavements in **Newbridge Road and Newbridge Hill** are due to be re-surfaced in the new year. If you see any holes in your local pavements please contact a member of the Focus team or the Council's action line 394041.



The bus service to Penn Lea Road has been re-instated, both Cllrs Loraine Brinkhurst and Caroline Roberts are pushing for a weekend service.