

MEPAL COMMUNITY-LED PLAN 2018 - 52.9% of households responded

General Survey Responses

ABOUT YOUR HOUSEHOLD	
Question A: What are the age ranges of the people living in you household?	Total from 228 Questionnaires
Male	
0 to 4	7
5 to 10	20
11 to 15	12
15 to 18	10
18 to 30	18
30 to 49	59
50 to 65	54
66 to 80	61
80+	24
Female	
0 to 4	11
5 to 10	8
11 to 15	12
15 to 18	2
18 to 30	18
30 to 49	61
50 to 65	56
66 to 80	68
80+	18
Prefer Not To Say	1 aged 0-4
Question B: Is Your Home.....	
PRIVATELY OWNED	192
A HOUSING ASSOCIATION PROPERTY	23
A SHARED-EQUITY PROPERTY	1
RENTED	5
Question C: If you are a Housing Association tenant, do you feel your current home fills your needs?	
YES	16
NO	10
Question D: As a family/household, are you thinking of moving from Mepal in the next 2 years? If so why	
EMPLOYMENT	2
TO A MORE SUITABLE HOME	11
REQUIRE BETTER TRANSPORT LINKS	9
BETTER ACCESS TO SERVICES	6
FAMILY MATTERS	9
FED UP WITH MEPAL	6

MEPAL PARISH COUNCIL

Question 1:	
Do you know who any of your SEVEN local Parish Councillors are?	
YES	116
NO	106
Question 2:	
How would you like to receive information about the Parish Council? <i>Please tick all relevant to you</i>	
PARISH COUNCIL NOTICEBOARD	64
MEPAL PEOPLE NEWSLETTER	200
PARISH COUNCIL FACEBOOK PAGE	25
PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE	30
'DROP-IN' SURGERIES	11
PARISH COUNCIL E.MAIL UPDATE	26
DO NOT WANT TO KNOW WHAT PARISH COUNCIL IS DOING	12
Question 3:	
If you need to contact the Parish Council, what is your preferred way?	
E.MAIL	118
TELEPHONE	79
FACEBOOK	11
AT A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING	23
LETTER	23
SPEAKING TO THE CLERK OR A PARISH COUNCILLOR IN THE STREET	22
Question 4:	
Would you be interested in volunteering for any of the following? <i>Please tick all that interest you</i>	
VILLAGE LITTER PICKS	65
WOODLAND CLEARING	35
MAINTAINING FOOTPATHS	24
PARISH COUNCILLOR	3
PLAY AREA ADVISORY GROUP MEMBER	6
LILIBET WOOD ADVISORY GROUP MEMBER	0
UPDATING & MANAGING THE WHOLE OR CERTAIN PAGES OF THE WEBSITE	2
COMMUNITY FIRST AID/FIRST RESPONDER GROUP	13
COMMUNITY GARDEN GROUP	17

Question 5:	
What recycling bins do you use at the Bridge Road recycling area? <i>Please tick all that you use</i>	
CLOTHES BIN	74
GLASS BOTTLE BIN	43
NEWSPAPER BIN	27
PLASTIC BOTTLE BIN	30
I NEVER USE THE RECYCLING BINS	116
Question 6:	
Please tick all that interest you. What sort of equipment would you like to see at the Children's Play Park on the recreation Field?	
SWINGS FOR OLDER CHILDREN	76
ROUNDAABOUT	51
EARLY YEARS PLAYGROUND ROLE PLAY	33
EDUCATIONAL PLAY (PLAY PANELS, MUSICAL, GAMES)	49
NATURE/ADVENTURE TRAIL	96
Question 7:	
What sort of event, supported by Mepal Parish Council, would you be interested in attending? Please tick all that apply	
CAR BOOT SALE	103
VILLAGE YARD SALE	71
SUMMER FETE	124
BEER / GIN FESTIVAL	79
FUN RUN	30
PICNIC IN THE PARK / MUSIC FESTIVAL	113

The Archive Group

Question 8:	
Are you interested in the history of Mepal?	
YES	180
NO	39
Question 9:	
Would you like to know / learn more?	
YES	155
NO	53
Question 10:	
Have you heard of CCAN (Cambridgeshire Community Archive Network)	
YES	73
NO	145
Question 11:	
Do you have any photos, old or new, to share?	
YES	17
NO	201

The Friendship Club

Question 12:	
Would you be interested in joining a group of volunteers to help the elderly and disabled of the village with simple household tasks?	
YES	62
NO	143

Good Companions

Question 13:	
Would you like to know more about this group?	
YES	20
NO	192
Question 14:	
Would you be willing to offer help to our elderly members e.g. help with refreshments, give lifts etc.	
YES	31
NO	163

Mepal Sports Football Club

Question 15: Please tick all that are relevant to your household	
If anyone in your household currently plays regular football is it for?	
ACADEMY (UNDER 7)	5
JUNIOR BOYS (UNDER 18)	13
SENIOR MEN	9
JUNIOR GIRLS (UNDER 18)	1
SENIOR LADIES	2
WALKING FOOTBALL	3
Question 16: Please tick all that anyone would be interested in	
If Mepal Sports could develop more teams to play at Mepal would anyone like to play for?	
ACADEMY (UNDER 7)	7
JUNIOR BOYS (UNDER 18)	11
SENIOR MEN	5
JUNIOR GIRLS (UNDER 18)	3
SENIOR LADIES	5
WALKING FOOTBALL	6
Question 17:	
To reinstate football at Mepal, volunteers are needed. Could you help with any of the following?	
MANAGING A TEAM	1
COACHING (TRAINING GIVEN)	3
ADMINISTRATION	2
HELPING AT GAMES	8
REFRESHMENTS	8
FUNDRAISING AND ACCESSING GRANTS	1

Neighbourhood Watch (NHW)

Question 18:	
Have you an interest in your community, its safety and that of your friends, family & neighbours?	
YES	198
NO	14
Question 19:	
Would you like to see Mepal NHW co-ordinators present at village events?	
YES	156
NO	39
Question 20:	
Would you like to see Mepal NHW co-ordinators more regularly walking in the village?	
YES	132
NO	57

75 New Zealand Air Force Squadron

Question 21:	
Could you give some time to help with the maintenance of the garden, plinth, seating and fencing?	
YES	41
NO	157

St. Mary's Church

Question 22:	
Should the church offer more non-Eucharistic services (i.e. without Holy Communion)?	
YES	63
NO	79
Question 23:	
Would a quiet Prayer Hour be of interest to you?	
YES	29
NO	143
Question 24:	
Do you think St Mary's should offer more services/activities for children & young people?	
YES	84
NO	58
Question 25:	
We share our Rector with Sutton & Witcham; would you like the Rector/church officers to be more available to Mepal parishioners?	
YES	59
NO	73
Question 26:	
Would you like to see additional use made of the church building?	
YES	92
NO	61

Union Chapel

Question 27:	
Are you aware that the Chapel 'School Room' is available for use by the community?	
YES	114
NO	97
Question 28:	
Can you help with our regular 'Messy Chapel' sessions for families?	
YES	11
NO	180

The Village Hall

Question 29:	
Would you be willing to help with the running of the Hall by....? <i>Please indicate how you can help</i>	
JOINING THE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	0
HELPING WITH FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES	12
SOURCING GRANTS	1
OCCASIONAL CLEANING	5
GENERAL MAINTENANCE	2
Question 30:	
What new community activities would you like to see offered at the Hall? <i>Please tick those of interest</i>	
BOOK GROUP	22
QUIZ COMPETITIONS	51
INDIVIDUAL GAMES SESSIONS i.e SCRABBLE EVENING, CHESS EVENING	19
TEAM GAMES NIGHT	36

Women's Institute

Question 31:	
Would you be interested in joining the Women's Institute in Mepal?	
YES	21
NO	171
Question 32:	
Would you be interested in a less formal women's group?	
YES	50
NO	140
Question 33:	
Would you be interested in joining a Craft Group?	
YES	55
NO	138

The Youth Club

Question 34:	
Do you have young people in your household aged between 6 and 14?	
YES	30
NO	187
Question 35:	
Has a member of your household attended a Mepal Youth Club taster session?	
YES	13
NO	95
Question 36:	
Would a member of your household like to attend a regular youth group in the village?	
YES	20
NO	79
Question 37:	
If someone has attended a taster session, how did they hear about it?	
FACEBOOK	11
SCHOOL	2
POSTER	4
FRIENDS	5
OTHER	0
Question 38:	
If interested, would you prefer a longer session with all age groups able to drop in?	
YES	13
NO	28
Question 39:	
How much would you be willing to pay for a session per child?	
£1	5
£2	15
£3	8

EDUCATION

Mepal and Witcham Pre-School

Question 40:	
In your household do you have any Pre-School aged children (age 2-5)?	
YES	11
NO	197
Question 41:	
If so, do they attend Mepal & Witcham Pre-School?	
YES	7
NO	28
Question 42:	
If 'no', what is the reason they do not attend Mepal & Witcham Pre-School?	
OFSTED RATING	0
MORE CONVENIENT FOR WORK	1
MORE CONVENIENT FOR 'ADD-ON' CHILDCARE (GRANDPARENTS/FRIENDS)	0
ACCESS TO CHILDMINDER	0
RECENTLY MOVED TO MEPAL BUT KEPT CHILD AT CURRENT SETTING	1
OPENING HOURS MORE CONVENIENT	0
OPEN DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	0
OTHER	9

Mepal and Witcham Church of England Primary School

Question 43:	
Would you like to receive the school's weekly newsletter so that you are aware of the community events that the school puts on?	
YES	43
NO	120
Question 44:	
We welcome volunteers into the school - are you able to help by...?	
LISTEN TO READERS	18
SUPPORT THE PUPILS AND STAFF WITH THE 'GARDEN PROJECT'	13
HELP MAINTAIN THE ENVIRONMENT GARDEN	11
PLAY BOARD GAMES WITH RECEPTION CHILDREN	15
Question 45:	
Would you be interested in being a school Governor?	
YES	4
NO	176
Question 46:	
Would you like to join the Friends of Mepal & Witcham to help organise fundraising events for the school?	
YES	4
NO	171

Other schools or further education

Question 47:	
Please enter the number of people in your household who attend the following:	
SECONDARY SCHOOL	25
SCHOOL FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS	0
SIXTH FORM COLLEGE	7
UNIVERSITY	6
TRAINING COURSES	6
U3A (UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE) COURSE	5

EMPLOYMENT AND BUSINESS

Question 48:	
How many people in your household regularly work from home?	
ONE	40
TWO	9
THREE	1
FOUR	1

Mepal Post Office Stores

Question 49:	
Would you be interested in the Post Office Counter opening longer hours i.e. 7am -7pm?	
YES	80
NO	134

Question 50:	
Would you shop locally more often if a better range of products and offers were available?	
YES	116
NO	93

HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Question 51: Please tick all that are of interest	
Apart from football, what other sports and fitness opportunities would you like to see in Mepal?	
TASTER SESSIONS FOR HOCKEY, NETBALL OR RUGBY ON RECREATION FIELD	28
OPEN AIR GYM EQUIPMENT ON RECREATION FIELD	51
VILLAGE 'TRIM TRAIL' AT SITES AROUND THE VILLAGE	27
ALL WEATHER SURFACE INCORPORATING FOOTBALL 5 A SIDE, TENNIS, NETBALL ON REC. FIELD	39
BOWLING ON THE RECREATION FIELD	24
FITNESS SESSIONS FOR ALL AGES IN THE VILLAGE HALL	49
FITNESS SESSIONS FOR OVER 55'S IN THE VILLAGE HALL	55
INDOOR SPORTS E.G. CARPET BOWLS IN THE VILLAGE HALL	54
SKATEPARK ON RECREATION FIELD	35
Question 52: Please tick any that that you would like to see in the village	
If possible, what Health Professional consultations would you like to see offered in the village?	
DOCTOR	126
NURSE/PRACTIONER	99
MIDWIFE	18
HEALTH VISITOR	36
CHIROPODIST	73
Question 53:	
If you find getting out and about socially on your own difficult, please indicate if you would be interested in joining other like-minded people on	
DAY TRIPS TO ATTRACTIONS OR PLACES OF INTEREST	35
WEEKLY SHOPPING TRIP	18
TRIP TO CINEMA AT ELY	22
THEATRE TRIP	34
Question 54:	
An 'Open to All' weekly Coffee Morning in the village has been proposed. Please indicate what you would like to see there.	
TOYS AND GAMES FOR BABIES AND CHILDREN	31
WEEKLY 'CHARITY' STALL FOR VILLAGE GROUPS OR OTHER CHARITIES	48
ACCESS TO LOCAL COUNCILLORS	39

HOUSING

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Question 55:	
What housing needs do you think there are in the village? <i>Please tick any that you think are needed</i>	
SHELTERED HOUSING	45
HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS	30
COMMUNITY LAND TRUST (AFFORDABLE RENTAL AND SHARED OWNERSHIP FOR LOCAL PEOPLE AND OWNED BY THE COMMUNITY IN PERPETUITY)	50
DOWNSIZING BUT STAYING IN THE VILLAGE	47
SHARED OWNERSHIP/STARTER HOMES	55
HOUSING ASSOCIATION PROPERTIES FOR SINGLE PEOPLE	36
SOCIAL HOUSING	26
I DON'T BELIEVE THERE IS ANY NEED	55
Question 56:	
Have you had any incidents of flooding at your property in the last 10 years?	
YES	16
NO	197
Question 57:	
Has the issue now been resolved?	
YES	13
NO	8
Question 58:	
Is your Broadband coverage adequate?	
YES	138
NO	58
Do not use	9

VILLAGE MATTERS

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Question 59:	
Thinking of how the village is set to grow further, how do you think our community buildings should be best sustained and made viable?	
VILLAGE HALL AND COMMUNITY PAVILION KEPT AS THEY ARE NOW i.e. VILLAGE HALL RUN BY VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND PAVILION RUN BY PARISH COUNCIL	83
VILLAGE HALL SITE SOLD AND NEW HALL BUILT ON RECREATION FIELD	33
COMMUNITY PAVILION EXTENDED TO INCORPORATE VILLAGE HALL	48
NEW VILLAGE HALL BUILT BUT PRESENT VILLAGE HALL BUILDING CONVERTED UNDER COMMUNITY LAND TRUST TO PROVIDE HOUSING FOR THE BENEFIT OF MEPAL RESIDENTS	47
Question 60:	
Do you think maintenance of the Village Cemeteries (not Churchyard) should be the responsibility of the Parish Council?	
YES	177
NO	23
Question 61:	
Do you think there are enough dog waste bins in the village?	
YES	85
NO	109