

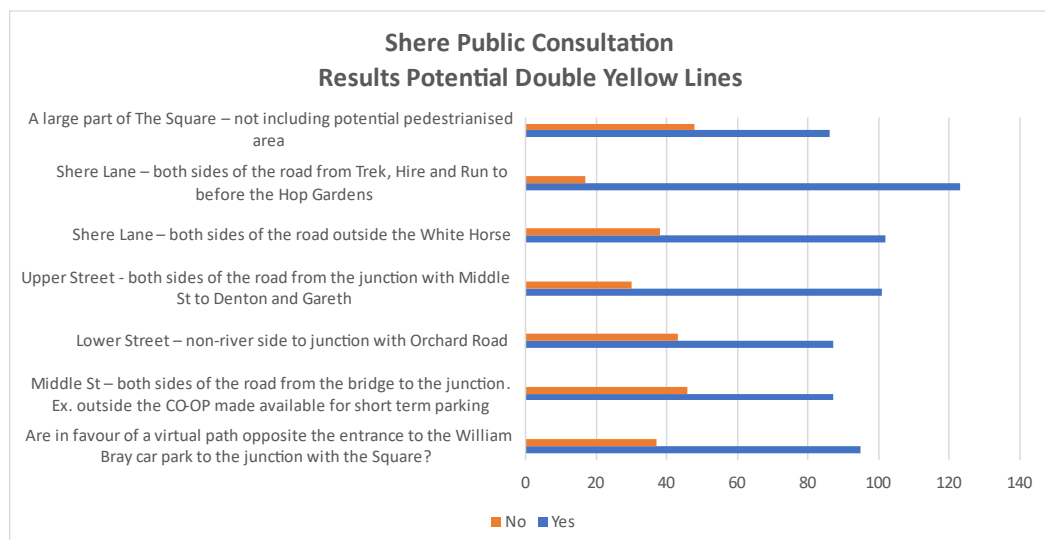
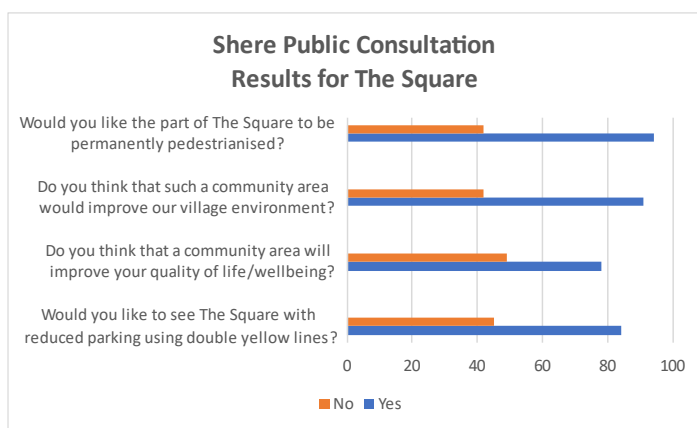
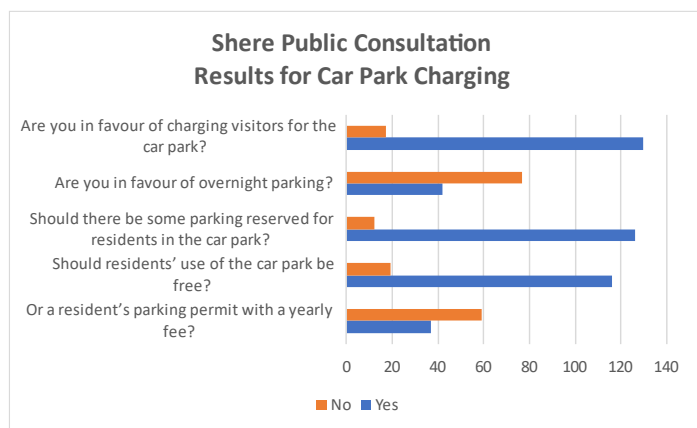
Resignation of Parish Councillor – The council is very sad to be losing Brian Grover as Councillor representing North Ward. Brian has been a valued councillor for many years and will be sorely missed. Chairman R Davey said ‘Brian’s calm and balanced input to Council business has been much appreciated. I felt in the end I had to respect the decision he made, after careful consideration, about the difference brought about by moving from the very centre of the village to a more removed location just outside the Parish. His informed contribution will be much missed.’

The Electoral Services Department at GBC have been informed and a formal notice of the vacancy has been posted. Please see our website if you would like to get involved: www.shereparishcouncil.gov.uk

Peaslake Farm Development – after nearly two years the council can finally report the good news, that planning permission has been approved for the truly affordable new homes on the farmyard. Four semi-detached 2-bed houses and four 1-bed flats will be built. There will be a public meeting before the building works start to address any concerns residents may have over the building phase. The date will be advertised as soon as it has been agreed with Greenoak Housing Association.

The council is also in communication with Surrey Wildlife Trust for a lease to secure Peaslake Farm fields and improve biodiversity, including introducing some wetland areas to slow water entering the village, during heavy rainfall.

Shere Parking, Traffic and The Square Public Consultation – thank you to everyone who completed and returned the form. We received a total of 163 responses from both the 320 sent and some from outside the village of Shere who also replied. These replies from the other villages have been collated separately and will also be considered. There was overwhelming support for charging in the car park and a more mixed response to some of the other suggestions. Below are the simple numbers, however, it’s not just about the numbers, as there are many comments/implications to consider, which can’t be printed here. All the comments and letters received will be fully reviewed by the council and a plan to move forward will be proposed. There will be further chances to have your say and ultimately road issues would need to have the approval of Surrey County Council.



The Queen's Green Canopy – This is a unique tree planting initiative created to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022 which invites people from across the United Kingdom to 'Plant a Tree for the Jubilee'. Everyone from individuals to Scout and Girlguiding groups, villages, cities, counties, schools and corporates will be encouraged to play their part to enhance our environment by planting trees during the official planting season between October to March. Tree planting will commence again in October 2022, through to the end of the Jubilee year. For more information see <https://queensgreencanopy.org/>

The Parish council has been given a tree for each village to participate and celebrate the Jubilee by Surrey County Council, by their Treescapes Funding Project. The ward councillors are currently considering a suitable location for the tree (broadleaf, native species) in each village. If you have a preferred location in mind, please let them know <https://www.shereparishcouncil.gov.uk/list-of-officers/>

Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) – A VAS has been in position in Gomshall over the last few months and the results are as follows:

Date 13.11.2021 – 7.12.2021 Speed Limit 30mph - Total Vehicles = 23,231 counts

The peak times for vehicles were 9am to 10am and 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Average Speed 20.6mph

Percentage of speeders 0.3% to 0.7%

Average Speeder (of everyone going over 30mph) was going 32.5mph

Maximum Speed of a vehicle = 40.0 MPH on 20/11/2021 2pm

Many drivers are driving carefully and considerately but some drivers are endangering the lives of pedestrians and other drivers, with their speeding. Please drive carefully!

A VAS has also been in Peaslake on Pursers Lane (near the steps to the park and school). Data has not been received from here yet and will be reported as soon as possible. Councillors and Surrey Highways would prefer it to be further away from the bend and it will be moved in the new financial year, when the poles have been replaced to accommodate it.

These signs are moved around the villages to remind drivers of the speed limit and to encourage safe driving.

Next Council meeting – Thursday 3rd February 2022 at Shere Village Hall, Gomshall Lane, Shere GU5 9HE

All meetings are open to the public and there is an opportunity at every council meeting for members of the public to address the councillors.

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