

## The people in the village:

### What's good:

- Sense of community
- Friendliness and camaraderie.
- Good community spirit (x 21 responses)
- Friendliness.
- People that care about the parish and contribute.
- Community spirit of village.
- Friendly atmosphere.
- Event organisation and support.
- Highly developed community spirit.
- Sense of community. Old fashioned feel.
- Variety of community facilities.
- Strong community spirit
- Sense of community
- There is a good local community spirit, always things going on, in and around the village
- We have facilities and people willing to get involved which results in a lot of events and strong community spirit.
- Community. Friendliness.
- Excellent variety of events that are inclusive to all.
- There is a strong community spirit across quite a wide geographic area.
- Great community. Has an old fashioned charm.
- Huge variety of clubs etc.
- busy community
- The people who make our parish a happy community must come first.
- Community involvement
- Sense of community Village feel maintained It has a good sense of community and is in a beautiful location. It would be nice to keep it this way but.....
- Lots of active groups.
- Friendly and lively community
- Very active.
- Lively with a community spirit.
- Good community.
- Diverse and busy community.
- Thriving community spirit.
- Volunteer culture.
- Great community
- So much going on.
- Great sense of community. Lots of community groups for all age levels.
- Sense of community (x 3)
- Lots of activity.
- Retains much of the natural charm of an old Cornish parish whilst adopting a modern way of life.
- Groups for all ages.
- lots of community facilities.
- Great organisations. Pro-active people.
- Community events (village fair).
- The people.
- Community cohesion.
- Sense of community and provision/ownership of community facilities.
- Neighbours help each other.
- Community events.

### What could be better:

- Linkages between groups
- An ageing population
- People to call on elderly for a chat.

Ways of encouraging young families to the parish.

### Pressures in future:

- Funding, community support,
- Increasing population. Maintain a balanced population.
- Keeping its character when there are pressures to change.
- We need to get better at sharing the pressures and issues as well as co-developing solutions. We all play a part in our future.
- It needs to be addressed that there is some diversity in the parish and the opinions will differ greatly on community issues and this needs to be reflected in the plan.
- Community cohesion events that bring together the different groups
- The main problem will be maintaining its character in the face of population growth.
- PS : There is no point doing a survey if THE ANSWERS ARE CENSORED" or nobody acts upon the voice of the real Stoke residents
- High house prices results in ageing populations not as able to contribute/volunteer.
- A Parish Diary where people put events in so they don't clash.
- Sustainable deployment of human resources.
- An aging community
- Population growth.
- Financial pressures on church and community facilities.
- Ageing population.
- Reduction of functions.
- People.
- Everyone getting older.
- Retention of all age groups in community.

## Rural and landscape:

<p><b>What's good:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In a proper rural location</li><li>• Its rural location, the landscape.</li><li>• Natural beauty and views. Wildlife, hedges and the surrounding countryside (biodiversity).</li><li>• Peace and quiet.</li><li>• Undeveloped rural area</li><li>• Location</li><li>• It's geographical position</li><li>• Location</li><li>• The rural tranquillity.</li><li>• Beautiful landscape</li><li>• Productive farmland.</li><li>• Location.</li><li>• Natural beauty.</li><li>• Nature.</li><li>• beautiful location in unspoilt countryside.</li><li>• Good location</li><li>• unspoilt rural setting</li><li>• stunning scenery</li><li>• Plenty of foot paths and bridle ways</li><li>• Beautiful landscapes.</li><li>• Location.</li><li>• Vast rolling countryside. For me as a walker, I adore the countryside and this must be protected.</li><li>• Countryside.</li><li>• Quiet, wonderful area.</li></ul>	<p><b>What could be better:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• More broad-leaved woodland.</li><li>• Lack of support for farmers.</li><li>• Easier for public to save precious features (hence Neighbourhood Plan).</li><li>• Not many public footpaths.</li></ul> <p><b>Pressures in future:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Would be a shame to lose green spaces and over stretch facilities.</li><li>• Housing – need vs beauty/heritage.</li><li>• loss of habitat caused by insensitive farming practice</li><li>• Stoke Climsland is important to me because of the peace and quiet of the countryside and also of its historical heritage. Proposals of further housing in the future could knock out this identity, an identity that must be maintained.</li><li>• environment.</li></ul>
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## Transport:

<p><b>What's good:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Transport links, albeit irregular</li><li>• Through traffic is limited because we're not on a main road</li></ul> <p><b>What could be better:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Transport.</li><li>• There is a reasonable bus service but it would be much improved if the two companies would coordinate their timetables instead of running services within 5 minutes of each other.</li><li>• .. Public transport is poor</li><li>• School parking</li><li>• Bus services to outlying hamlets are poor to non-existent.</li><li>• serious control of speed through the village, and on all roads, ie mandatory 40 mph max, and 20 mph max in sensitive areas</li><li>• The Primary School is fantastic but should put aside some of it's land at the front for a drop in and pick up driveway to reduce congestion on the road. The area of grass in the front of the school is not used for anything else and is wasted space, yet the road is congested.</li><li>• Being the cynic that I can be, I sometimes think the pressures come from within the council hierarchy - i.e who scratches who's back. Is local government any different to Central ? A few years back when we had "Chickengate" someone put a parish map up on the web with the locations of all the councillors. What a surprise that was to see such "big" addresses and so far away from the centre of Stoke. Do they really care about the traffic problems when they live so far out ?</li><li>• Extra School parking at Peak times</li><li>• Parking provision. Wider road to allow buses easier access.</li><li>• More parking.</li><li>• Better bus service.</li><li>• Better roads.</li><li>• Better kept roads and lanes. Pot holes.</li><li>• More regular bus service.</li><li>• More co-ordinated bus service – ie. 2 buses come within about 15 minutes and one service doesn't go into the village itself.</li><li>• Regular bus services.</li><li>• Parking outside the Post Office – the bus can't get through.</li><li>• Possible increase in bus routes.</li><li>• Traffic calming measures.</li><li>• Transport.</li><li>• Transport – more frequent buses</li><li>• Transport – more</li><li>• Road maintenance.</li><li>• Pot holes.</li><li>• Traffic parked outside of school.</li><li>• Traffic calming measures.</li><li>• More parking at school times.</li><li>• Public transport links.</li></ul>	<p><b>Pressures in future:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It is important that public transport links are maintained.</li><li>• There will be an increased number of cars as the school remains popular and no doubt will have to expand if the government decide on it.</li><li>• Something to help with the parking would be great such as marked bays on the green which would open up more spaces on a daily basis and allowing parents to park at the old school. Allowing parents to park by the scout hut would also help.</li><li>• Traffic.</li><li>• remoteness, poor connections with the rest of the country.</li><li>• Speeding through the village at key times such as school drop off</li><li>• Dangerous and or excessive HGV traffic from proposed Chicken units</li><li>• Growth of the primary school - but more will come in fro outside because young families can't afford to live in the village - this will add more pressure to the road congestion problem in the morning and afternoon.</li><li>• Traffic.</li><li>• Bus links as opposed to the generic term "transport"</li><li>• Car parking.</li><li>• Parking</li><li>• Roads falling into disrepair.</li><li>• Traffic will undoubtedly increase.</li><li>• School run and parents driving children to school.</li><li>• Traffic issues at Stoke school.</li></ul>
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## Facilities in village centre:

### What's good:

- The village has a shop/PO, Church, club, school, bus and community facilities.
- We regularly enjoy use of the Village Green including play equipment, the shop and Social Club and look forward to our child going to the school and scouts.
- Lack of a pub means little visitor traffic. School.
- Great local facilities – Old School, Social Club, Parish Hall, Church, PO etc.
- Post Office/Stores. Surrounding open space. Clubs and events. Old School.
- Excellent newsletter. Heritage such as Post Office, Old School.
- Village shop/PO, Old School.
- The excellent community and Post Office facilities.
- Always something to do.
- Facilities at Old School.
- The Old School news is an excellent publication and communicates news, activities and events across the parish. The village shop is a very important resource for the parish. The social club, village hall and old school and the church provide a range of venues for different activities within the parish.
- The school is an important asset.
- Stoke Climsland School, especially with the prospect of Ducklings moving to school campus.
- Facilities.
- I think we have almost everything, social community, amenities, communication, and the Old School which has so much going on.
- The park.
- many facilities
- Everyone is friendly and welcoming through all the clubs that are going on within the village. This is enhanced by the great school and pre-school which attracts people from all over the parish...and beyond.
- The large range of activities and clubs, the Old School
- Great social programmes and Social Club
- Mostly safe and secure Good facilities- old school, social club, post office, number of groups
- Park.
- Excellent magazine.
- For its size, the facilities are very good.
- Church represents a wide cross section of the community.
- Wonderful church and church family. Great shop/Post Office.
- Great church.
- Fantastic OSN and Parish magazine.
- Good shop, lots of social activities.
- Church, PO and shop.
- OSN

### What could be better:

- Imaginative natural play area.
- Having a purpose-built community hall.
- Optimum use of facilities such as the Old School so it doesn't have to struggle.
- More common purpose built community facilities – cheaper to maintain and more flexible than existing facilities.
- Well, despite the NIMBY appreciation on question 1, the converse to that is local people are probably being restricted in achieving other things. For example, we have too many street lights now. The school is too big for the village. We need a pub rather than a social club. The decision to re-site Ducklings pre-school to an over-crowded primary school where there is traffic chaos was a shocker.
- Proper pub
- I think we suffer from not having a purpose built community centre. We have the Parish Hall and the Old School but neither are modern enough for what is needed.
- Shaded seating on the green
- . a pub refurbish and enlarge parish hall, or old school to provide modern space for events and functions
- A pub.
- The green is a great facility but really needs a power supply in order to support the broader community.
- Coordination between various groups. Needs a modern community centre. Could do with a single modern community building.
- Pub.
- A pub would be nice, I know we have a social club, but both Stoke Climsland and Downgate suffer from the fact that the pubs shut due to Methodism a very long time ago. A pub would make a very good place for the community to gather and socialise.
- Growing thriving Primary school
- Stoke needs a pub.
- Will be good when the pre-school is in the same grounds as the school.
- Pub in the village centre.

### Pressures in future:

- Continuation of excellent village facilities.
- Cost of postage affecting the Post Office and the hope that the Duchy College will continue to thrive
- Pool resources and have a single modern community centre
- School numbers?
- Keeping the Post Office alive due to pressure of supermarket delivery. Long may the church continue with Messy Church important to keep young children in church.

## Housing & Planning:

### What's good:

- We are fortunate that there are a relatively low proportion of second homes.

### What could be better:

- Better range of housing.
- Housing is expensive relative to salary levels so more affordable housing would help young people.
- Houses at the affordable end of the ladder are obviously needed.
- Better planning control
- Affordable housing,
- More affordable housing. There is no chance of new blood coming to live here, it is just too expensive. Without younger families the village will become a retirement home.
- The population is getting older and older as young people can't afford to live here
- Affordable housing is also needed.
- Availability of housing and planning strategy to enable local people to buy/build houses in the local area.
- Houses for young people.
- More housing.

### Pressures in future:

- Need for more housing?
- Housing and growth in population.
- Housing – shortage for single people.
- Housing for young people is and will be an issue.
- Numbers moving into parish.
- Extensive housing.
- Increased demand for housing
- Housing.
- planning.
- The need to satisfy the 'stay as we are' urge versus 'viable village'.
- Increased population. Keeping a balanced population.
- There will be pressure on land for housing so wherever possible our green areas should be free of development. Once they are built on they can never be recovered. Infil and use of redundant buildings are preferable for development.
- I imagine that affordable housing will also become an issue as children from the village grow up. However, I've seen 'affordable housing' before and usually only one or two properties turn out to be for locals while the rest have a higher price to pay for the development. This would have to be carefully controlled.
- Further expansion development
- Over development

### Pressures in future cont'd:

- I also think over development, particularly of housing at inflated prices will potentially damage the community, leading to local people having to move elsewhere.
- Housing needs.
- Affordable housing (lack of)
- Housing availability related to planning strategy and jobs.
- Increasing population. Building houses for the young without destroying the character of the parish. Maintaining a mix of ages so that the parish is sustainable.
- Increased population. Providing a place to live for all who live in the parish - affordable housing. Making sure that the infrastructure supports the population.
- Housing, without a doubt the biggest issue facing us and most of Cornwall. It is such a shame to see properties being bought by people who will not live here, used for renting or holiday homes.
- Building of housing developments
- If they do build new houses. The people buying them have to either come from this or neighbouring area or have parents that do.
- I would not like to see a housing development in the parish, the roads couldn't support this and it would lose the essence of bring a village
- lack of social housing, especially for local families
- relaxed covenants on Kyl Cober development.....like putting up fences, a new shed or summer houses and to enjoy the environment
- Relaxation of planning legislation.
- More development to stop a dying community.
- More housing needed.
- Second home purchases
- Development.
- Young unable to stay due to house prices.
- As it is a very popular parish, it is becoming difficult to find affordable housing.
- Planning consent for inappropriate applications that could overturn the existing community
- Housing. The need to maintain community.
- Affordable housing.
- The pressure to build affordable housing
- House prices for younger people.
- Housing for young people so that we retain some youngsters.
- Not to over-develop it.

## Business/Industry/internet:

<p><b>What's good:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Duchy College and, to a lesser extent, westcountry Rivers Trust, are employers in the village</li><li>• More employment activities than other villages.</li></ul> <p><b>What could be better:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Chicken factory on Kit Hill too massive.</li><li>• More job opportunities would be beneficial.</li><li>• Broadband - it's terrible.</li><li>• Superfast broadband.</li><li>• More wi-fi access.</li><li>• Free wi-fi access.</li></ul>	<p><b>Pressures in future:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Expansion of chicken facility, which is noisy, smelly, ugly and metallic on Kit Hill.</li><li>• Duchy College growing even bigger.</li><li>• Increased demand for industry.</li><li>• Chicken sheds.</li><li>• lack of employment.</li><li>• creeping industrialisation of green field sites</li><li>• Threat of Chicken sheds</li><li>• We need to encourage the growth of small businesses and tourist businesses in order to grow the local economy.</li><li>• Unemployment.</li><li>• Industrial use of land with inappropriate transport access and associated problems with noise and pollution.</li><li>• Lack of jobs</li><li>• Low employment.</li></ul>
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## Young people:

<p><b>What's good:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Green provides good facilities for younger children</li></ul> <p><b>What could be better:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Facilities for young people.</li><li>• Stoke climsland playground could be vastly improved, take a look at golberdon where the fencing makes it much safer for children to use.</li><li>• Not a lot to do for the younger age groups which means they have to travel</li><li>• More for the young to do.</li><li>• I think the park could do with some improvement in terms of equipment and maybe be enclosed to keep active toddlers for making a dash towards the road. More often than not we will go to golberdon park due to it's enclosed nature and smaller sized play equipment. The slide at stoke park always makes me nervous as with no sides at the top of the slide and an open side where the pole is, it can get pretty hair raising when lots of children crowd in at the top and are trying to push past each other.</li><li>• More for the young to do or better transport links to take them to where there are.</li><li>• Facilities biased towards the older elements - more is needed for the young (all ages up to around 18).</li><li>• It's a shame teenage children who are resident in the parish aren't allowed on the play area, even if there are no small children there. There are no facilities for young people and it was a good place for them to go and chat. Our own teenagers have lost this facility because of abuse by the Duchy College Students and that is unfair.</li><li>• More facilities for the young (children and young adults) are essential</li><li>• Providing social opportunities/venues for teenagers. Ie. Social nights at Old School.</li><li>• More areas for teenagers to meet.</li><li>• Teens being allowed on the park.</li><li>• More events for older children.</li><li>•</li></ul>	<p><b>Pressures in future:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Facilities for the young are mentioned but I think we should seriously look at facilities for young people (11-25)</li><li>• Jobs for the young.</li><li>• More facilities for young people.</li><li>• Facilities for young people.</li><li>• Nothing for teens.</li><li>• Facilities for teenagers and younger groups.</li></ul>
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## Resistance to change:

<p><b>What's good:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Local people are trying to "protect" the local parish which might mean NIMBY in some people's language but it also gets results.</li></ul> <p><b>What could be better:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>It is as we like it – I can't think of anything I'd change. Please don't let anyone come and spoil it.</li><li>We've lived here for approx.. 30 years and we would like it to stay as it is as it has already grown.</li><li>Like it as it is.</li></ul>	<p><b>Pressures in future:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The ideas that they want to change the layout inside the church &amp; take away the pews. This is wrong. The thing that makes our church great is the pews and the floors. If you take that away you're taking away the history of the church. Taking away people's memories. Yes, new is good sometimes but in this case old is best</li><li>Accommodating change in an acceptable manner.</li></ul>
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## Renewable Energy:

<p><b>What's good:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Just look at the monstrosity of a solar farm up the road - we don't want that in our village thank you very much !</li></ul> <p><b>What could be better:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Clean renewable energy doesn't leave pollution behind and can be removed more easily, so can be a good thing.</li></ul>	<p><b>Pressures in future:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Wind turbines, renewable energy</li><li>Renewable energy demands, eg wind turbines.</li><li>Renewable energy will become increasingly important and should be encouraged. That said, there should be clear planning guidelines.</li></ul>
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## Other:

<p><b>What's good:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sense of history.</li><li>• Everything.</li><li>• Most things.</li><li>• Lockett.</li></ul> <p><b>What could be better:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Music Festival reintroduced (a big loss to our community).</li><li>• Keep making sure that litter is not thrown and is collected.</li><li>• Not sure – haven't lived here long enough.</li><li>• I think it's coping just fine</li><li>• More lighting.</li><li>• If it was freed from all the beaurocratic interference and restriction that comes from such "organisations" as English Heritage, Tamar Valley AONB, Cornwall conservation areas , listed buildings, Duchy of Cornwall, SSI's, AOGLV's, nature reserves, East Cornwall Mining Association etc.</li><li>• Nothing.</li><li>• Recreation and leisure facilities.</li><li>• No mobile phone connection.</li></ul>	<p><b>Pressures in future:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• I think that pressures inflicted from the organisations I referred to in question 2 affect the Parish now and are driving people away.</li><li>• Like everything else which is partially or wholly dependent on Central or local government for support, the village will suffer from the knock on effects of there being no funding available to help support it. Funds for improving the parish</li><li>• Blah blah blah blah blah !</li><li>• Crime/policing.</li><li>• Social service facilities.</li><li>• Lack of funding,</li><li>• Duchy College - they seem to be building like crazy. What planning rules do they come under and where does all their money come from ? We used to share their facilities; be able to take a walk through their grounds - but not any more. The "Get of my land" attitude has arrived in Stoke !</li><li>• Medical facilities.</li><li>• Not enough doctors to cover the extra people moving in. Parish needs its own Medical Centre.</li><li>• Lack of funds.</li><li>• Medical needs.</li><li>• Finance – or lack of it.</li><li>• Health – nearest facilities at Callington Health  Centre. Old School has been used as venue for Health Centre to administer flu vaccinations.</li><li>• I would also like to have further links developed between the local school and the wider countryside as Stoke Climsland is in a unique position to take advantage of this position for educational purposes.</li><li>• New medical facilities would be good.</li><li>• Finance.</li><li>• Finances.</li></ul>
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