

Appendix 8

Other comments

I don't want to have a pop at the PSNI who generally do a good job - but - I can't remember the last time I saw a bobby on the street. The community policing ethos has gone! Our GPs and the community need a modern / 21st century surgery - not a throwback to the 1960s.

Continued success to WCDA

Dog toilets - more should be provided and some of the existing ones need to be emptied more frequently
I would like to live in a village where people helped each other, looked out for each other, and showed Christian love to each other. I try to do that, but sometimes I find it difficult as more and more people seem just to out for themselves.

Replacement of Plough Filling Station and shop would be of benefit to residents at Banbridge end of the village.

There needs to be a stop to the indiscriminate housing development which has in the past led to the demolition of historical houses and other buildings in the village eg. demolition of Windsor Lodge. A permanent police presence in the village would be invaluable. The housing developments have turned Waringstown into more of a 'dormitory' village rather than the close-knit community it used to be.

Village needs a play park for children.

Thank you to the folk of WCDA for wanting to improve Waringstown for all.

Clean up the dog fouling.

Work towards a shared future.

More visible policing.

Good luck but after an initial surge of approval; you will probably be on your own.

Don't let the area look contrived and 'twee'.

I think that what you are trying to do is very positive, keep it going, I wish you luck

I love Waringstown Please do something.

Kids (under-18s have nothing to do or nowhere to go.

Take me out of Waringstown in a box

Get out the sectarian hatred and the negative attitude to other people's form of worship. Would like to see a thinning out of all religious parades. They are provocative to many people and full(?) community strife.

Glad to have opportunity to express some concerns which are minor at the moment but could become serious in the near future.

The mess left by tractors used on road stopped - not car friendly. Obstruction on roads causing other traffic delays including emergencies - principle roads Banbridge Road just beyond the speed sign, Banbridge side of the village, Main Street, Mill Road. Disgrace. Litter is prohibited. An offence.

Children's play area would be great advantage - nearest, Lurgan Park, not within reach for everybody.

Thank you for all the work you are putting in to try and make this a better place for us all to live.

Good policing would be nice, not just appearing with speed traps, then away again. Clean footpaths and empty dog fouling bins regularly.

As I have already said - The thing that attracted us to Waringstown was the neatness & village atmosphere.

Was always a very well kept village reference (Best Kept Village) - why did this stop?

Why does the sweeper brush the roads so much and never bother about the footpaths. They are always covered in dog (dirt).

It would be nice to see community police out & about.

My wife and I enjoy living on the village of Waringstown and look forward to spending the rest of our days in the village.

People walking their dogs after dark and not cleaning up after them.

Would like to see the police more often. AT the moment they only come out once in a while with the speed camera for 30 min. The foot path from the clock to the Clare Road is the worst I have ever seen for broken pavements.

Thank you for using your time to help improve and develop our village. Your efforts are appreciated by this household.

Since Waringstown ceased to enter the 'In Bloom' competitions the Council no longer seem to maintain the village as well as they used to. Summer seats in bad need of paint. Footpaths and streets needing cleaned. Dog poo everywhere!

The people in general are friendly as are the Assistants in the shops making Waringstown a good place to live & with good parking facilities on main road without the need of traffic wardens!

Band parades as currently experienced are not in keeping with a pleasant rural village. Imported louts, drunks (most underage), litter, public, urination, etc Waringstown does not need.

The questionnaire is certainly comprehensive, but also intrusive. Questions on religious affiliation and church attendance are deeply personal.

There should be no flags (Union jack, etc) flying in Waringstown other than the month of July.

Vacant properties in the centre of the village should be demolished & sooner rather than later.

Would need more policing and 'no drinking in public' policy to be enforced.

Pleased that someone has made an effort to ask questions and hope 'tangible' results will be forthcoming. Thank you.

Would definitely need a village green or park where people could go to and sit and relax.

Could hold more things up in church hall (to) raise money and use it for things of use or making a difference. Need (extra?) bins from council. Graveyards that are old need a bit of TLC. Doctor takes too long to attend surgery.

Fully develop a senior citizens' club.

Thank you for getting us thinking!

I would be interested in being involved in giving some time to improving the village.(phone number), introduce yourself & I can talk. Good luck.

I feel lucky to live in a place like Waringstown and it feels safe and is a pleasant well-kept place generally but it could be even better if it was a bit livelier and had vacant and vandalised properties rebuilt & used.

More Youth Workers.

The Main Street around the eyesore of the old Village Inn pub requires urgent re-development.

Tidy up the whole village.

There needs to be a place for generic information or even a mini newspaper just something advertising dancing classes or fitness classes, playgroups, things happening in the village eg. vintage rally etc. AT present we live in the village obviously but we don't actually do anything in Waringstown. We travel out to do things such as fitness, groceries, go out for a drink etc. It would be great to know this is on our doorstep!

Is there a Neighbourhood Police Officer. Who is he/she? What are they doing about these problems? Why aren't the elected representatives being involved unless an election is near or a newspaper cameraman.

Areas fallen into disuse are an eyesore eg. The Plough Filling Station site & Village Inn premises & area around Dewarts - these would all need to be tidied up and re-developed. Better range of shops, eg home bakery, better Chinese, craft shop.

Actions which will come from survey to be circulated. Thank you.

I love living here and I hope I can remain!

Use the Village Inn as a community Centre. It is an eye-sore as it is.

I would like people to lift up after their dogs and cleaner footpaths.

I am disappointed that the council plans to grass over the flower beds. The flowers and colourful displays over the years have been beautiful. Could we maybe maintain some of the flower beds by sponsorship of local businesses or people.

The dog foul is a major problem as a mother who walks children in pram daily. Particular problem in alleyway beside Plough wasteland, into Magherana.

Prince William is getting married and it would be nice if the village could have a party or a village fete or fair to celebrate.

Enough said!

Put envelopes through letter boxes for donations to keep Waringstown in Bloom. Surely there will be enough good people to contribute.

I would like to thank the members of WCDA who continue to provide us with information and the tireless

commitment you provide to the community.

Get toilet built and get Village Inn fixed.

Would you please put up a sign saying Oak Grange leading to Oak Wood (Thank you).

Local Neighbourhood Watch and info. excellent and much appreciated.

Bring back Village in Bloom.

The time - () years that I have spent with my last wife in Waringstown have been some of the best years of my life. I am comfortable here!

Appreciate the efforts of this committee for the people in the village.

Need bakery shop & keep fit.

Vacant properties on Main Street - Tidy & painted - this could be done on a voluntary basis with permission. Thank you for this project.

Please do something with the Village Inn and the area adjacent on the main street. So untidy. The windows on the adjoining house always broken - someday someone will do damage that cannot be reversed. Any ideas?

As the traffic in the village is fairly constant the residents at the Banbridge end of the village need a set of traffic lights for car owners to exit from their homes.

Waringstown has the ability to become a respected village as long as the community PSNI & Council work together.

WCDA is doing a great job even though it is in its infancy.

Maybe a list of roles that need carried out in the village, people could / might come forward to help with these roles.

No community halls.

A resource centre / community centre which is not affiliated with any denomination / church would be wonderful. Better information ie. What resources are available / activities which are occurring in Waringstown would be very beneficial.

Can the report of this questionnaire be delivered to each home & not just at a public meeting - folk are so busy with work and family they may not be able to attend.

The infrastructure of the Village/Town will be unable to function efficiently as the housing development continues. Traffic flow will become even more restricted.

Could WCDA put a notice board somewhere to let people know of the good work you plan to do? Thanks :-)

Better Broadband service.

Would love to see the village in bloom once again as I think it is an attraction that brings visitors to the village.

It is vital that Waringstown should get a nursery unit as the village is growing and more children are going to need somewhere for pre-school!!

Clean up garage. It needs sorting.

The village has been pillaged beyond recognition with old buildings destroyed etc. It needs a focus to develop it into a great place to work, live and education - needs more nursery preschool development. Build on the history but reflect it into modern day needs.

The footpath facing where the Plough Filling Station used to be - have it marked for car parking and footpath as I nearly got run over recently.

Traffic lights should be erected at the junction in the Hollow between the Mill Hill and Main Road to Banbridge and Lurgan.

Rates need to be cheaper. Bungalows for older people.

Could the old library room be used for small community activities?

Thank you.

Waringstown is a small dilapidated village on a main arterial route. It has no interesting architecture or history other than the Anglican Church. The main buildings in the village have little character other than the Grange. If this comes to fruition who will finance this. Will it be hard pressed rate-payers / tax-payers.

No more housing developments.

A playground would be nice for small children and grandchildren.

Build no more houses until water services are increased.