

Area Priorities Consultation Findings:
Tottenham Hale, Tottenham Green and Seven Sisters

From 19 September – 19 October 2011 an online and paper consultation took place to capture resident’s priorities in the Tottenham Hale, Tottenham Green and Seven Sisters areas.

Residents were given a list of issues that had been identified in consultations undertaken in recent years and were asked to pick the 4 most important issues to them:

Overview of priorities:

- Resident engagement in decision-making and shaping local services
- Safer parks and open spaces with more facilities
- Anti-social behaviour (e.g. verbal abuse and harassment and fly-tipping)
- Mental health support
- Improving services for older and vulnerable people
- Lack of employment opportunities
- Supporting young people into education and training
- Regeneration of Tottenham Hale
- High teenage pregnancy rates
- Crime issues, e.g. burglary, violent crime and drug misuse
- More affordable homes needed
- Cleaner streets

Results:

<p>Out of the 43 respondents in Tottenham Hale, Tottenham Green & White Hart Lane, the following priorities were highlighted in order of frequency:</p>	
<p>ENGAGEMENT IN DECISION MAKING & SHAPING LOCAL SERVICES</p>	<p>Total = 26</p>
<p>SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE IN EDUCATION & TRAINING</p>	<p>Total = 24</p>
<p>ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR</p>	<p>Total = 21</p>
<p>LACK OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES</p>	<p>Total = 21</p>

Additional Priorities

In addition, residents were asked to comment on priorities they felt were missing from the list provided. 58% (25 of 43) of respondents provided additional priorities, as follows:

Urban Environment:

- A plan that has vision for the built environment of the area that prioritises beauty and high quality
- Restoration of local heritage."
- Make Tottenham High Road Green with large Trees to help reduce pollution
- Community led regeneration of Wards Corner and other development sites.
- More trees to break up large housing estates
- Cleanliness of West Green Road

Housing:

- Single homeless people
- Rogue landlords
- Better management of estate gardens

Sustainable employment opportunities:

- The creation of sustainable jobs

Support for families and young people:

- Services for young people
- Affordable childcare

Community Engagement:

- Empowering local communities through meaningful consultation
- More joined up holistic approach to engagement with cross section of the community
- Get people involved. Publicise the ways residents can improve / take part in solutions.
- Making residents aware of all amenities, community meetings etc
- Community centres

Community Safety:

- Need to change Tottenham's image as a crime hotspot when it is not always justified
- Dispersal of gangs

- More police patrols
- Drug dealing
- More police involvement with the Community

Health Provision:

- Result of recent cut backs in local mental health services
- Effectiveness of health service's work with the black and minority ethnic communities which are overrepresented in secondary MH services and miss out on early intervention

Local Economy:

- The Council and the local traders should be working together to make this into a particular hub of local, diverse businesses,
- Creation of a really distinct town centre of historic buildings, reflecting the local community, eschewing chain store take over
- The council needs to rethink its regeneration strategy and start looking to local people and supporting grass roots businesses much more effectively."

*NB: 58% (25 of 43) of participants provided additional priorities outlined below.