

Dore village parking

Public consultation meeting, 18 January 2012

Summary of process and findings

Local Level facilitated a public meeting in Dore following the general and business surveys. It was publicised simply as a public meeting, and 48 people attended: about 28 of these were residents, the remainder being elected members, representative officers (eg from the police and highways department) and observers from neighbouring villages.

After a short presentation summarising early findings from the general survey, participants were invited to agree a list of possible solutions to the parking problem. Each proposed solution had to have an advocate for the evening, otherwise it was not deemed sufficiently popular to spend time on. Seven individuals volunteered to advocate for the following options:

- Permit parking
- A one-way system
- Car parks
- Time limited parking
- An awareness campaign on considerate driving
- Road redesign and construction
- Measures to reduce car use.

It was noted that these options are not all mutually-exclusive.

Using pre-defined worksheets, participants worked initially on defining the argument for the option they favoured most. They wrote a short statement suggesting what the solution would involve, arguments in favour, what would need to happen next etc.

After 10-15 minutes, each worksheet was passed to the next group, whose members had the opportunity to augment and critique what was being proposed. In turn, each worksheet was passed round to each group and eventually returned to its original authors. Thus all participants had had an opportunity to define the meeting's agenda and to take part in a deliberative process reflecting on all the accepted options.

Each worksheet was then mounted on the wall and participants had the chance to review them all.

The advocates were then invited to make a final 60 second presentation encouraging support for their proposal; three or four took this up.



The final phase of the meeting was a voting or scoring process. Each resident was given ten tokens to spend in support of any combination of

the seven options: thus they could spend all ten on a single preferred option, or distribute their vote across several. The results were as follows:

○ Time limited parking	74
○ Car parks	57
○ Permit parking	42
○ Measures to reduce car use	34
○ Awareness campaign on considerate driving	32
○ Road redesign and construction	22
○ A one-way system	19

Further notes about the meeting can be found in the [Spring 2012 edition of Door to Dore magazine](#).

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