

HAUGHLEY HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY REPORT

May 2016



Executive Summary & Key Findings

A Housing Needs Survey was undertaken by Haughley Parish Council to understand:

1. the existing and future housing needs for Haughley parishioners, including family members, (not necessarily in Haughley) and other members of the household.
2. Haughley's current housing stock and whether this is affordable to local people.

In February 2016 each of the 735 households within the Haughley parish boundary, received a personally delivered, voluntary and confidential survey form. Only one survey form was provided per household to reduce the risk of bias due to multiple returns from a single household. Each respondent sealed the completed household questionnaire in a plain inner envelope before putting it in an outer pre-paid envelope and posting it to Community Action Suffolk (CAS).

CAS analysed the gathered data to produce an independent report, which also included 2011 Census data and contextual information about Haughley. In addition, data from the Gateway to Home Choice register was used to cross check the findings. □

The Housing Needs Survey Report provides supporting information for Haughley's Neighbourhood Plan.

□ The Haughley Housing Needs Survey 2016 achieved a 24% return rate, which is in line with other published studies of this kind.

Key Findings □

- 76% of responding households identified a preference for any housing development in Haughley to consist of small and medium homes for people with local connections.
- A housing need was identified for 127 people who either live in the parish or have close links to Haughley. Of these 127 people:
 - 90 people want to move into a home of their own in Haughley
 - 37 people are either close family members of parishioners or are people with a local connection who are known to parishioners and want to live in or return to Haughley, but are unable to do so. □

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