Borth Community Council

Borth & Ynyslas Community Survey 2015

Example	%	%	%	Comments
issues	Value/ Pleased	Of concern	Top priorities	
Crime, burglary, damage, speeding, vandalism	23	55	43	Mostly speeding, Need road humps /don't want road humps. Speeding at golf course, Ynyslas, Glanwern, High Street, Clarach road, up road from Nisa. Potential for casualties - use a camera trap. Repeated fire lighting at the station. Borth pretty safe and clean to live in. Crime getting better
Anti-social behaviour graffiti, noise, groups	27	30	18	Dogs inside barking frequently, noise from passengers leaving train station, Bardsey, small-group local lads causing trouble at front and at station. Music Brynowen loud, Brynrodyn noisy club after 23hrs and in holiday period.
Litter, bins, fly tipping, cleanliness	36	41	27	Mostly bins. Fly tipping on the cliff. Litter despite the number of bins. Overflowing bins, some items should be recycled, too full, over flowing in summer. Another bottle bank especially at north of village. Bottle bank often full bottles left at the side. Needs our recycling centre. Occasional large items like fridges left at end of Cambrian Terrace. High Street Road filthy needs sweeping. Litter very good thanks to Mike Savage. Disposal of large items a problem. More bins at Ynyslas, bin at car park to save bus stop bin from being overfilled. Plenty bins some areas, not enough other areas. Rubbish on beach. Number of dog bins has improved since new litter bins introduced.
Dogs beach access/ control, fouling, bins	27	56	30	Mostly beach access. If Borth Council doesn't want dogs then why not put 'no dogs' signs at the entrances to the village. Please reconsider dog policy. Notices too small, clearer, bigger. Lots more signs on prom and village. If dogs banned needs to be enforced or take signs down. Dog bins are good/more bins. Only some residents abide by summer ban. Dog ban July to August only or 9 to 6PM, eight before 8 AM and after 8 PM reduced to tie in with school holidays. Dogs access in evenings after 8 PM. Dog bans too draconian, 24 hours for five months when beach mostly empty except six week summer holidays, no patrols mean visitors take dogs on beach but locals get reported, it seems unfair.

				Allow beach access with dogs from train station to Ynyslas. Still fouling and people don't pick up, leave plastic bags. And force or void. Fouling on Lane to church, pavements, grass after level Crossing to church. Important to maintain beach access beyond youth hostel. Signs up to tell people other places to walk the dog other than the beach. More dog signs. Drive 1.5 miles to walk dog on beach – sustainability? Dogs should be allowed near lifeboat station
Open spaces play areas, green spaces, community garden, den, adventure area	56	14	20	More made of green areas adjacent to beach. Boat park a mess the grass needs cutting. The beach is the best. Area near the toilets phase 2 needs attention and replanting. Need play adventure area. Capping slabs need fixing to right of public toilets at the railway end of village. Daffodils look good. Cut brambles on Coronation path. Nowhere to sit only in north of Borth. SSSI at Ynyslas and Corfochno are UNESCO sites of great interest. Tidy up many areas in Borth. Community gardens good. Greenery around Community Hall sign to be cut down. More care of public open spaces. Area around Church looks awful.
Health & wellbeing village healthcare, group walks health/fitness classes	53	9	18	Wonderful to have a medical Centre. More welcomed. More information on noticeboards flyers and leaflets are good especially if no computer access. Age concern exercise class excellent. GP services health centre pharmacy excellent. Threat closure Borth surgery. Public footpaths sheltered from strong freezing winds a boon for elderly, winter paths often muddy and impassable – shale/loose chippings possible? Difficult to get appointment at Doctors.
Housing	24	26	18	Holiday homes pay more council tax. More affordable houses. Expensive in relation to wages. Conversions allowed where appropriate shops two houses or houses to flats. Bardsey. No more houses at Cliff until drain sorted by boat park. More affordable long-term rented housing. Less holiday houses would help this. Several houses need painting. No property should stand empty for more than three months. Many holiday homes empty most of year. Borth houses expensive local people cannot afford, more affordable houses for first time

				buyers, Too many holiday homes ayr. Lack of affordable and rented housing
Community spirit, pride, equality, neighbourliness	72	7	25	Great community spirit and Neighbourliness. Garage remains an eyesore – extra off road parking or small retail craft units in containers (like Christchurch NZ after earthquake). Scrap metal an eyesore/very unsightly on high street. Tidy up boat park. Drainage pipe by lifeboat an eyesore, cover and make a jetty/ rocks to cover unsightly pipe. RNLI drainage pipe an eyesore.
Children and Youth, local school, play groups, local facilities	35	9	11	Lots for young children to do less for teenagers. Teenagers just roam. Skateboard park requested by many. Skate park or pump track to focus social activities and sports, discourage antisocial behaviour on High Street. More youth services. Recreational area for teenagers. Need something for teenagers. Family group very good, local school appreciated. Climbing wall. Den/adventure area. More for children to do.
Social activities, classes, village events	47	7	16	More social activities welcomed. More information needed, local magazine to publicise events. Especially if no computer. Need noticeboard adverts for senior citizen events in community hall. Carnival enjoyed by all
Parking roadside parking, car parks	32	34	17	Pavement parking just starting to creep in, must keep footpaths clear. Better since one hour parking stopped. Pressure for parking in the centre of the village. Campervan parking on the front, should be daytime only, campervans overstaying. Signs for overnight camper vans. 30 overnight camper vans over Whitsun weekend (1 with outside kitchen and toilet) 1 camper parked as a holiday home on sea front for 2+ years. Need Council to help with camper vans.More parking in the summer but where? Good free council carpark. Promote Borth for visitors but carpark not big enough by RNLI. Car park since BAM left a tip - hedge too high hiding car park. Needs big tidy up. Parking on yellow lines blocking access to homes concerns for access for emergency services. Lack of car park attendants to enforce parking on yellow lines. If roadside parking is lost we would lose trade. Carpark permanently closed. Surgery carpark locked. Don't impose restrictions unless residents want them. Not

				enough parking – tourists drive straight through village. Parking an issue in summer.
Lighting	39	24	8	Keep on till 1 AM/2am. Great the lights are off midnight to 5 AM. Good now energy efficient lights are used. Street lights rock climbing in wind quite alarming. Eco-friendly lights -awful visibility. Retain low light levels at Ynyslas. No more lights – can carry torches. Need more. Every other light left on. Leave on an extra 20 minutes for last train.
Flooding sea, river, surface	32	39	39	Mostly maintaining defences and leat maintenance. Defences mostly working. Maintaining the defences. Repair the seawall at Ynyslas. Appearance of mad/quicksand holes near rock defences a concern for safety on the seaward side close to public conveniences. Concerned about cracks to house from sea defence work. Concerned about shingle incursion in future. Shortage of sea defence op. cit. premier store. Maintain river Leri and the seawall defences. Concerned about fires against timber sea defences in Ynyslas car park. Blocked and overgrown ditches, keep drainage ditches clear. Brynowen ditch. Leats need addressing/clearing/reopened. Condition of the seawall and groynes major concern and must be maintained regularly. Positive that's the wall at the end of the boat park has been extended. Flood damage behind toilet block still not repaired. Deal with areas that regularly flood e.g. by golf club. Lots better since improvements to sea defences
Transport bus and train services. Sunday service	60	22	15	Great now more trains. Makes a big difference. Would like a Sunday bus. Transport for Sunday service from Ynyslas. Return bus for cinema goes at 10:30 PM. Train to Chester. Better Sunday service (train) and earlier Sunday train. More evening buses to Ynyslas. Road maintenance. Good rail and bus links, a late bus please.
Sustainability recycling, local produce, cycling	38	32	20	Path along golf course road. Cycling path/marked cycle lanes. Closure of recycling centre is a great loss especially without a car. Amenity site needed. Re-open recycling centre. Re-open recycling depot not everyone can get to Aber community project? 20mike trip for garden waste. More recycling bins. Overflowing bottle bank. Bottle bank at north end of village. Recycling

				comprehensive very good. Recycling every two weeks black bin every week. No local produce. Big sign on car park as come into Borth showing where recycling bottle bank is. Glass collection for older people. Multi-use/cycle path between Borth and Ynyslas. Cycle path along the beach and over bog. Cycling anywhere outside of Borth feels dangerous due to narrow fast roads. Tidy area near recycling in Borth to reflect well on
				village.
Educational opportunities	27	8	3	Computer/tablets classes, sewing and cooking. Village Hall ideal for cookery. Welsh classes. Very much appreciate mobile library service.
Involvement in community/ volunteering opportunities	39	3	3	Designated noticeboard for volunteering and community opportunities More volunteering activities
More public art	19	18	9	Yes to more dependent on the quality. No more mosaics. Mosaics falling apart on the sea wall. Borth beautiful enough. Always room for more exhibitions. Love the sculpture. There is enough. More mosaics on the seawall needed. Keep arts we have well maintained
Anything else	Thank you for asking- a good idea/survey form much appreciated. Councillors very helpful. Thanks to all concerned in community activities – good – a thriving and active community. Appreciate Ynyslas 'round robin' emails, keeping up to date with local news and reading BCC minutes on web page. Local MP is interested in problems. A beautiful and interesting area, please keep a warm welcome for visitors, but not too commercial. Quotes: Borth is a great place to live, I love Borth - it rocks, Life is good in sunny Borth, What a fabulous place to live, A friendly well managed area, A fantastic place to live, A pleasant and friendly place to live, Borth must be one of the best places to live, Borth – a truly beautiful place; peaceful and serene. Verges need care Clean Borth beach Toilets are a credit Memorial hall a marvellous thing to have for events			
Resident 88%				Visitor 13%
Live in Borth 64	%			Live in Ynyslas 24%

Top 5 priorities (88 responses)

Crime 1st

2nd Flooding

Dogs 3rd

Litter 4th

Community 5th

Joint 6th Sustainability and open spaces