Park Farm Facebook Polls on proposed benefits of the new development

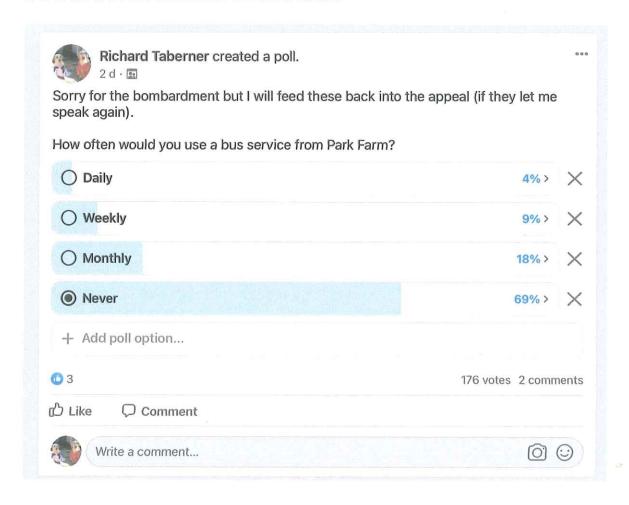
As the new proposed development is very similar to Park Farm in terms of number of houses, expected market value and also the demographics of prospective buyers then I believe that the views of current residents of Park Farm are likely to be a good barometer to the views of the new residents if the planning was approved.

I thought it would be beneficial to all to see the current views of the residents of Park Farm when asked about some of the proposed 'benefits' for the new proposed development.

Over the dates of 30th September - 3rd October 2022 I have let the following polls run on the Park Farm Facebook Group to gain some real life current insights.

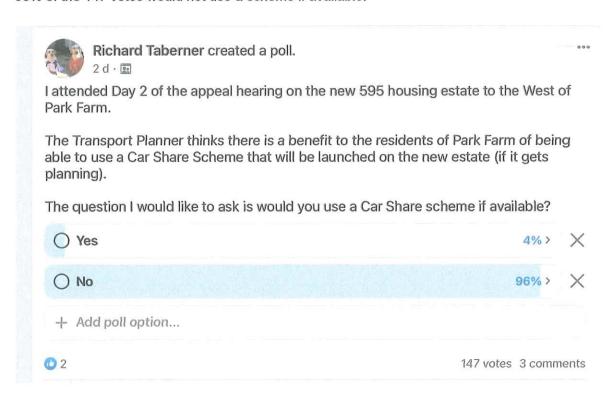
Question 1. How often would you use a bus service from Park Farm?

69% of the 176 votes would never use a bus service.



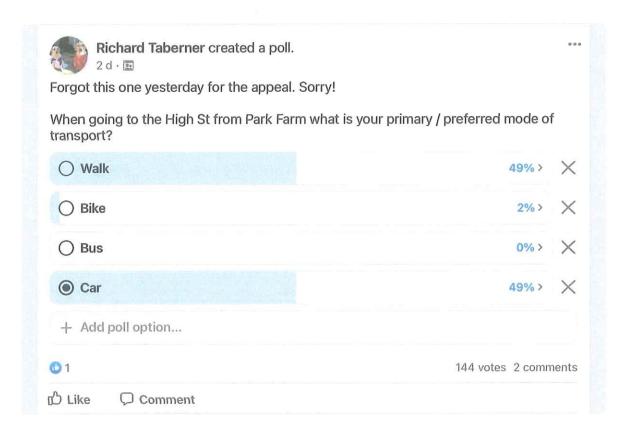
Question 2. Would you use a Car Share Scheme if available?

96% of the 147 votes would not use a scheme if available.



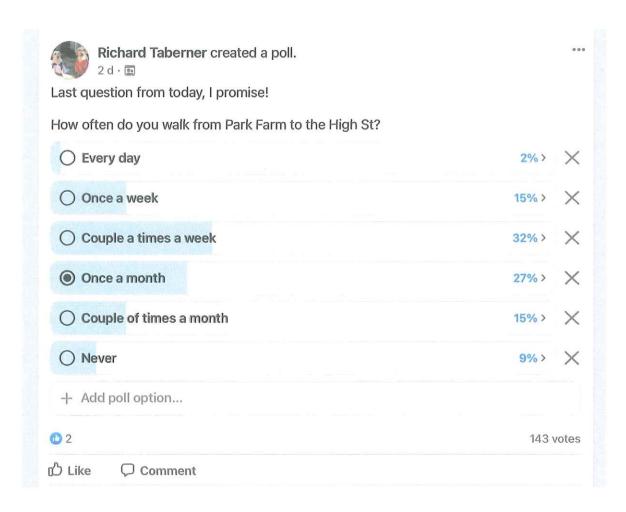
Question 3. When going to the High St from Park Farm what is your primary / preferred mode of transport?

The response was very split between walking and car. I think the point to note on this is that Park Farm (distance from Wild Flower Rd) is 1.6 miles from the High St and the new development will be even further from town meaning the likelihood of people driving will only increase.



Question 4. How often do you walk from Park Farm to the High St?

Split results but shows that only a very small proportion are walking daily on a distance of under 2 miles.



Conclusion

In conclusion, whilst the planners may argue that the benefits outweigh the impacts to the local area what is clear is that main recipients of these proposed benefits do not see value in schemes such as a bus route and car sharing. With the development being further away from Park Farm there is an increased chance of people using cars for shorter distances.

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