

Parish Survey Results: Appendix C - Comments things that are important to people.

Anonymised comments on things that are important to people

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1	Not essential
2	More trees or evergreen bushes may be more cost-effective than planters. The Brass Band is great but something else is needed for younger people
3	I don't think we should pay people to litter-pick. Stanley should do as Stanley Common does and get local people to do it.
4	Alternate at Stanley Common
5	It's nice to keep the village lively so anything that lifts the spirits of the residents and the people passing through is good
6	Nice to brighten the village with flowers and lights
7	Not bothered about Christmas celebrations other than tree and decorations
8	Just maintain things properly and cut the grass
9	Brings people together
10	Get people together
11	Good to get together
12	Difficult to justify expense involved on Christmas Tree/Lights. Better spent on hanging baskets and planters
13	Brings the village together
14	Planters are rotten, so not cost-effective to replace.
15	Percentage of people who benefit from Brass Band is tiny compared to planters we can all see.
16	Permanent tree was good and effective, why was it taken out?
17	Should have left planted tree in to reduce costs in Stanley
18	It's important to keep the villages looking pretty and taking pride in where we live.
19	Anything that brings the community together is worthwhile as is an investment in the appearance of the village.
20	Respondent thinks that planters and hanging baskets are required.
21	Provision for brass band concert at Stanley Common too
22	Hanging baskets not worth the money and need regular watering
23	Lack of any planters this year is disheartening. I volunteered to help but it didn't happen.
24	Not worth having nice planters with all the cars parked on the grass verge. Get rid of them.
25	Alternate with Stanley Brass band
26	Other things may have priority
27	Keeping villages tidy and well kept, mowing grass verges. Encourages respect and less dog mess.
28	Waste of money
29	Brass band concert must alternating with Stanley
30	I think the look of the village is important it shows we care.
31	Nice to have but not as important as enough dog waste bins to keep the area tidy or to litter pick.
32	If cuts are made they should be fair, as often Stanley is prioritised over Stanley Common.
33	Christmas tree and celebrations helps to foster community spirit. Others nice to have but they could be sponsored rather than PC money.
34	Would like Brass band concert in Stanley Common.
35	Would like to see planters/baskets but watering maybe a problem
36	Floral contributions always make an area a more pleasant place to be in.
37	Illuminated Christmas lights are unnecessary as people in the village provide their own lighting. Hold the Carol Service at the Church
38	Village greens in Stanley not cut enough lately.
39	Nice to have but needs a dedicated community to support it (e.g. Draycott in Bloom)
40	I would like to see the playing field by the crescent cut so children can play on it rather than the street.
41	Planters, hanging baskets and Xmas Tree are all lovely but I appreciate there is a cost.
42	These are all "feel-good" items which it would be a shame to lose.
43	Planters and hanging baskets could hold bee/butterfly-friendly plants and flowers.
44	How our village looks is to others is important.

45 If the grass verges are to remain un-cut can we ask that wild flowers be sown as done elsewhere?
46 I realise these things cost money but they make people feel happy.
47 Flowers bring such a lovely aesthetic as well as helping bees. Xmas cheer is essential to make people smile who might be struggling
48 Could grants or local fund raising activity help to pay for these things?
49 Very rarely to have brass bands on Stanley Common
50 I can only see one Stanley brass band concert advertised for 2024?
51 All these make life pleasant for people
52 Would be better to get a group of gardeners together to do the planters
53 I thought Erewash BC stopped lamppost baskets?
54 These are so important. They make our village look pretty and desirable place in which to live.
55 Didn't know about the brass band
56 Very sad to see no planters this year and maintenance to those areas approaching Stanley so poor, especially the bus-stop planter approaching Dale Road is over-run with foliage.
57 Christmas tree & events are important.
58 Band concert is offered by EBC (incorrect), refreshments are not expensive.
59 Where is the brass band stand?
60 I know it's not your priority but fixing potholes is more important than flowers
61 Could finance be raised by sponsorship, public subscription, advertising
62 Rather have a wider range of fully functioning equipment than things that are just there to look at.
63 Moved into the village DEC 2020 have been proud of the planting etc. Now the village doesn't look so good or looked after.
64 It would be nice to have but it should also be the communities responsibility to provide the above.
65 It would be nice if they found time to cut the grass verges.
66 How much would have to be added to council tax to have these?
67 When the Christmas tree is put up parking to be stopped on the grass verge or barriers extended.
68 Would like to see the verge on SC Rec stoned or tarmaced to stop the mud bath in winter
69 If all vehicles were removed from the grass verges the Christmas decorations would be more appreciated.
70 More information about concert
71 Community events are pivotal to the positive functioning of the village.