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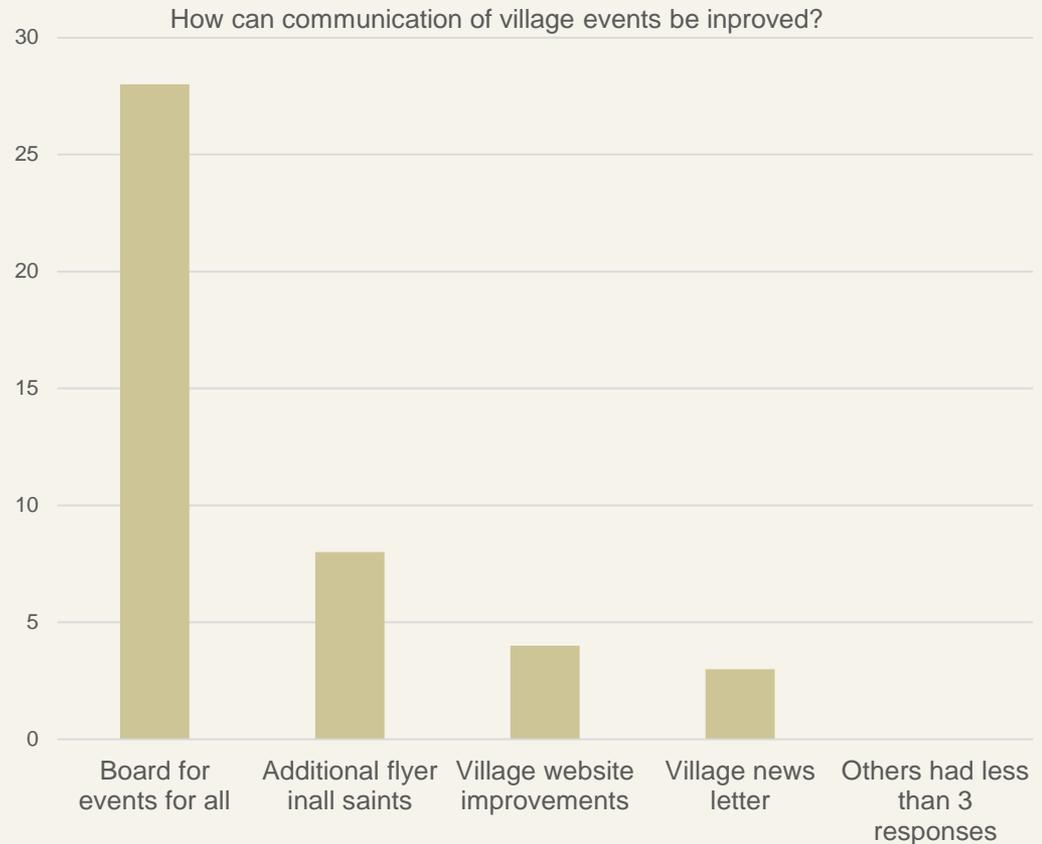
Current Situation

Saints Alive, a booklet published on behalf of St Mary's Church, is distributed to every household in the village each month. This provides news relating to what's going on in the village.

There is a Parish Council noticeboard, a noticeboard at the Church and one at the Doctor's Surgery which can be used to publish events.

Nene Valley News, a community newspaper published on behalf of East Northamptonshire Council was delivered to every household across East Northamptonshire, although the ownership of this is changing from April.

There is a Parish Council website, <http://www.woodfordpc.co.uk/>



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Questionnaire Analysis

The responses from the Questionnaires showed:

- Between 15% - 66% are aware of the different groups and activities listed
- 84% are aware of where the local public footpaths / bridleways are
- 74% usually find out about events taking place in the village from the Saints Alive booklet
- 52% rate the information available about events taking place in the village as very good or good
- 55% are dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with their broadband connection, whilst 12% don't use the Internet

From the analysis of the responses to the Questionnaire we are recommending the following:



Recommendations

1. Purchase at least one new noticeboard, to be situated in an accessible place, and to encourage local organisations to use it to advertise their activities and events
2. Produce 'Woodford Matters', a booklet containing contact details and information about the local facilities and organisations in the village, grouped by different ages and interests
3. Produce 'What's on in Woodford', a calendar of all events in the village, and encourage local organisations to contribute to this.
4. Produce 'Welcome to Woodford', a pack to include any information a new resident would need to know about the village