

# "Have your say"

Thatcham Avenue "Have your say" day, Sep 11th 2010.  
Where residents told us how they felt about life in Kingsway



## Residents were asked how they felt walking alone in the area where they lived

- 95% said they felt safe or very safe walking alone in the daylight
  - 65% said they felt safe or very safe walking alone at night
- Only 1% said they felt very unsafe walking in daylight and 4% felt very unsafe after dark

## Residents were asked about any problems they had in the area

- 28% of surveyed residents said that teenagers hanging around was a problem, although 47% said that it was not a problem at all.

The Youth POD is now open on Monday and Wednesday evenings 7.15-9pm for young people aged from 13 years. A play area will be installed in several phases at Waterwells including a rock climbing wall, mini football skills court and play equipment (dependant on weather conditions for installation). There is also a sports park including a multi use games area, tennis court and play area planned for early 2011.

- 23% said that there was a problem with fly tipping although 60% said there was no problem at all

There were many complaints of Supermarket Trolleys being abandoned in the area, so there are now representatives from the developers collecting these on a regular basis. Please report any fly tipping to

Quedgeley Urban Village Ltd on tel: 01179 016 358  
or email: [Kingsway@gardiner.com](mailto:Kingsway@gardiner.com)

- 16% said that car crime was a problem although 60% said it was not a problem at all
- 15% said that burglary was a problem although 54% said that it was not a problem at all
- 13% said that people using or dealing drugs was a problem although 70% said that it was not a problem at all

If you have any information on any crime in the area please contact your local Safer Community Police Team on 0845 090 1234 or ring Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. If you continue to have problems with Anti-Social Behaviour please call Project Solace on 0800 408 2000.



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The Year 1 pupils from Kingsway Primary School have done their own piece of work about life in Kingsway and presented their results:

They liked: The big park, the little park, the trees, old and new, the different types of houses, the pretty gardens, the orchard, the green spaces to play in, the school, having lots of friends who live close to us, the cycle path and the split between the cycle path and the footpath which helps to keep us safe.

To make the area even better, many people said they would like a local shop. A local centre is planned near the school to include a mini supermarket and community centre to be completed by the end of 2011.

Many people said that the location of their home and their neighbours were an important factor and that they were very happy with both of these. As the estate is young, a sense of community is still building in Kingsway. 29 people said they were interested in finding out about the Kingsway Resident's Association and their contact details have been passed on. Additionally 63 residents were interested in joining a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. If you are interested in becoming involved with a Neighbourhood Watch scheme please phone 0845 090 1234.



The team was made up of officers and volunteers from the community. Everyone who was visited was offered the opportunity to have a free SmartWater kit to security mark their property in an attempt to reduce the possibility of being burgled. Once the property is coded, there is a small sticker to place in your window to notify the burglar not to attempt to enter.

If you live in Thatcham Avenue and did not receive a SmartWater kit, please contact your Safer Community Police Team on 0845 090 1234 and they will arrange to deliver a kit to you.

