The future of the Plough and Fleece – update February 2022

We are delighted to have received over 200 responses from the local community within such a short period of time. The aim of this preliminary questionnaire was to determine whether there is an appetite for reopening the pub. We would like to share with you a summary of the responses received to date.

There is **overwhelming support** for a community owned facility which will serve as important evidence for when we seek support and guidance later down the line.
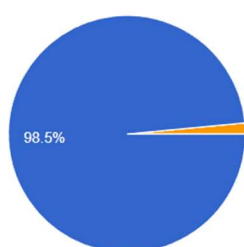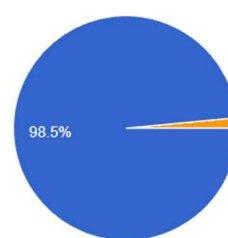

A wide range of desired services have been identified by the community and this is shown below. Many of you identified 'other services', which can be grouped into the following themes: Meet (coffee shop, a place to gather, dog friendly); Eat (evening/weekend meals, pizza/burger van and takeaway services); Ad hoc (farmers market, beer festival, deli and Christmas Market). Clearly not every idea can be implemented but we hope that many can be.
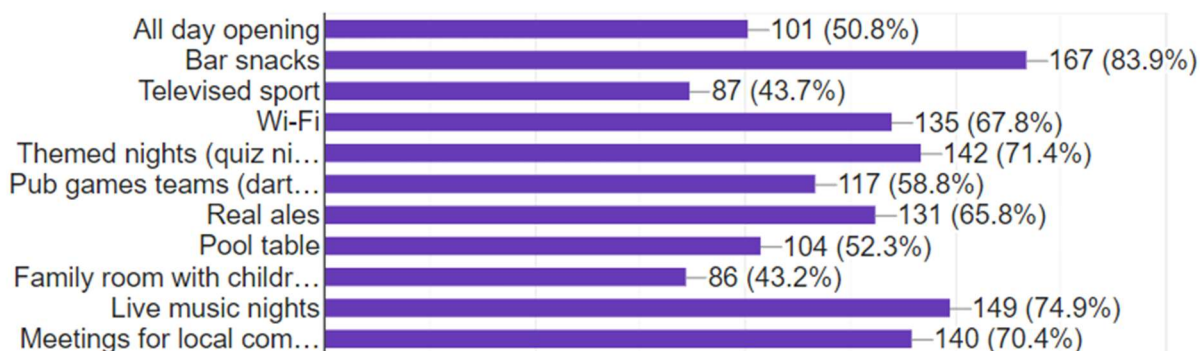
Seventy five percent of you said that you can see yourself being involved in the project, while twenty five percent are not sure without knowing more. At this early stage it is entirely understandable to want to know as much information as possible before deciding; we hope that as the project continues to make

progress, we will be able to provide you with more information to help you decide if you would like to be involved in any way.

We are particularly grateful to those of you who could potentially offer their services. Please note that you are not committed in any way, and we will contact people separately to determine what professional advice/service you can offer and to give more details on 'other'.
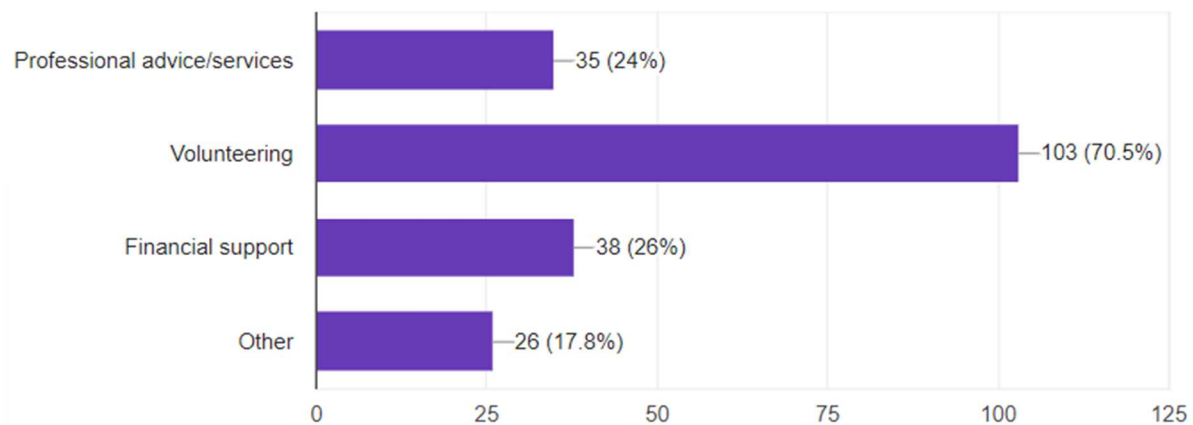
The next steps

We plan to engage the Plunkett Foundation to take us into the next stage. We need to prepare a business plan which will include projected costs and a timetable.

If you have any questions or comments at this stage, then please do not hesitate to email us.

Cockfield Village Group