

## Press Release

### Winners of Midsomer Norton Community Survey Draw Announced

As the work begins to input the data and analyse the results from the Midsomer Norton Community Survey, the winners of the prize draw were randomly selected by the Chair of the Community Forum, Jenny Hillman and Community Trust Development Manager, Alex Davis, under the watchful eye of Town Clerk Clive Stilwell. Winners of the first prize of £100 were retired couple Alan and Jean Starr from Dymboro Avenue. The second prize of £50 went to Nicola Helps and Joe Hopton of Bluebell Rise.

The cash prizes, sponsored by Midsomer Norton Town Council, were presented by Jenny Hillman to the lucky winners. Mr and Mrs Starr said “We wanted to have our say about the future of the town but can't quite believe that by filling in this survey paper we have won this amount - it is quite a shock! We have lived in Midsomer Norton since 1975 and we find the people very friendly. The footpath past our home to the town is very handy for us when going shopping. We are hoping our three great grandchildren, who have all been born this year, will be able to benefit from this prize money.”

The work to collate the results is progressing well and the key messages from it will help with developing a Community Plan. The information about residents' views on the future, on employment and on housing will also provide really important evidence for the proposed Neighbourhood Development Plan which, if it is approved by the people of the town through further consultation and a referendum, will help shape and influence things such as future development in and around the town and priorities for the Town Council and the Community Trust.