

# PUBLIC CONSULTATION – BRINGSTY COMMON QUESTIONNAIRE

## Developing a vision for Bringsty Common

Please complete this questionnaire to help shape the future for Bringsty Common (you can view a copy of the supporting consultation document at <http://www.bringstycommon.com/>) for more information. Please return your questionnaire to Ann Cantrell, either via email, or post ([ann@farmercology.co.uk](mailto:ann@farmercology.co.uk), 298 Princes Road, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire, ST4 7JP). Alternatively, you can hand it to Bringsty Common Manorial Court, via Tom Fisher at Brackenberry or Allan Corder at Old School House.

1. Are you a Commoner, visitor, resident, or other associate of the Common (please state for other)?

.....  
.....

2. What is your main reason for visiting the Common?

.....  
.....

3. How often do you visit the Common?

.....  
.....

4. What are the 3 main features of the Common that you most value?

.....  
.....  
.....

5. What do you consider to be the 3 main issues for Bringsty Common?

.....  
.....  
.....

6. Are you aware of the Rights of Commoners?

.....  
.....

7. If you are a commoner, do you exercise any of your rights? (please explain).

.....  
.....

8. What do you think are the main impacts on the Common from commoners not using their rights (e.g. loss of cultural or natural heritage features)?

.....  
.....

9. Do you think the Common needs to be managed and, if so, which features are most in need?

.....  
.....

10. Would you like to see livestock back on the common (cattle, sheep, horses etc) – please explain.

.....  
.....

11. Please state your preference of livestock (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> etc)

Horses/ponies	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cattle	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Goats	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sheep	<input type="checkbox"/>		

12. Should the Common be managed long term by grazing animals (please use your answer from above & explain why) – are there any barriers to grazing?

.....  
.....

13. What do you think the main benefits of grazing would be?

.....  
.....

14. Do you think there are any negative impacts from having grazing animals on the Common?

.....  
.....

15. Should the Common be managed solely using machinery (are there positives/negatives in doing this)?

.....  
.....

16. Would low impact methods such as scything to control bracken and for hay-making be viable (if so, please specify where)?

.....  
.....

17. Would you like to see some areas as “No entry” to protect wildlife at certain times of the year?

.....

.....  
18. To aid management should the perimeter of the Common be fenced off?  
.....  
.....

.....  
19. Should the Common be left to “re-wild”?  
.....  
.....

.....  
20. Would you like to see any habitats restored, enhanced, or created (please specify)?  
.....  
.....

.....  
21. Are there species you think need specific management?  
.....  
.....

.....  
22. Would you like to see “lost” species returned to Bringsty (please specify)?  
.....  
.....

.....  
23. Do you have a skill that could be used to support management of the Common?  
.....  
.....

.....  
24. Would you like to get involved in managing the Common (please explain how)?  
.....  
.....

.....  
25. Do you currently, or have you helped to monitor wildlife on the Common?  
.....  
.....

.....  
26. Would you be interested in helping to monitor wildlife in the future?  
.....  
.....

.....  
27. Any other comments you would like to make?  
.....  
.....  
.....  
.....