

Emergency Services

The questionnaire asked people for their opinions on the Police, Fire, Ambulance and Mountain Rescue services and asked for suggestions as to how they could be improved. The figures below illustrate how people rated the four services.

Police

Good - 84 Reasonable - 167 Poor - 142

Fire

Good - 116 Reasonable - 174 Poor - 47

Ambulance

Good - 132 Reasonable - 163 Poor - 53

Mountain Rescue

Good - 346 Reasonable - 26 Poor - 12

The main suggestions for improvements to the services were focused on the Police force. Whilst people indicated that a reasonable service was being provided there was a very strong feeling there should be a more visible presence by policemen on foot. The main crime concerns that people had all centre around vandalism and they felt that priority should be given to policing the areas where the youngsters congregate, such as the railway station and Meadow Lane and at the times when they congregate, therefore evening rather than in the daytime and there should be more pro-active police action against known vandals. CCTV was mentioned on numerous occasions as a possible solution as well. Several people felt that police should be stationed within the village and more should be done to build good relationships between the police and residents of all ages and that contact information be provided. It was suggested that a Neighbourhood Watch group should be set up with help from the police.

Residents were happy with the fire service and there were no suggestions for any improvements.

The feedback from the questionnaire indicated that residents felt that the ambulance service was very good but there should be more ambulances available for the area.

The Mountain Rescue service was rated very highly and the residents are proud to have it located within their village.

Action Points

- Set up a Neighbourhood Watch group
- Try to get foot patrol police officers for the village
- Install CCTV around the Community Centre
- Develop a better relationship with the Police
- Lobby for more ambulances within the area
- Reduce vandalism within the village



Buxton Mountain Rescue Headquarters, Dove Holes