

Relationships become dysfunctional when people feel they have to 'shout' at each other in order to be understood.

Consultations are best seen as the way organisations, because of their size, have their conversations. By structuring your consultation in a way that means your residents feel they could get their views across and that you did understand what they said you won;t always please people - but they will be more likely to co-operate with you in the future!