

Leigh on Mendip 2023 Community Plan





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Introduction

This is the 2023 Community Plan for the Parish of Leigh on Mendip. In it the reader will be able to see what key themes are important for the Parish Council to consider as far as the parishioners of Leigh are concerned. The plan will include the actions that the Parish Council will take and how some of these actions could be funded.

The Parish of Leigh on Mendip lies on the north facing slopes of the Mendip Hills approximately half-way between the market towns of Frome and Shepton Mallet. The actual village is a linear settlement running east to west on a plateau of carboniferous limestone called the Mendip Plateau.

First mention of the area is in a record from Glastonbury Abbey dated 681 AD chronicling the gift of land by the Bishop of Winchester to the Abbey. The earliest document to mention the village is a charter by Kind Edmund dated 942 AD granting land to Glastonbury Abbey. The Parish was part of that land and remained so until the dissolution of the monasteries in the 1530s.

The King sold the Parish to Thomas and John Horner for the sum of £1,802, and it remained in the Horner family until 1922 when the estate was sold off after the death of the last remaining family member.

The parish church dates back to Norman times, it is dedicated to St Giles the patron saint of cripples and mendicants. It is a striking and important building dominating the surrounding countryside.

Until the 18th century the economy of the parish was almost entirely agricultural but following the second world war, a massive expansion in quarrying aggregates took place across the whole of the Mendips. Halecombe quarry at the western end of the village remains one of the largest extractors of stone to this day. *Reference Leigh on Mendip Parish Plan 2006*

Today the majority of people in employment in the parish work outside of the parish boundaries. There are approximately 450 people living in the village at this time.

The village has a pub, The Bell, a Memorial Hall, School and a Recreation Field, with a number of active community groups.

The Village was one of a number that had Mendip District Council as their local authority however this has now been replaced by the new Unitary authority, Somerset Council.

There is useful background information for this plan about the old Mendip District Council area following the 2021 Census.

Since 2011 the population has grown by 6.2% in the Mendip area which is significantly lower than the South West average of 7.8%. That growth has occurred mainly in the over 65 years age range where there has been an increase of 29.7%. Only 1.0% of growth has occurred in the 15-64 age range.

Other relevant information is that 14.1% of households across Mendip have 3 or more cars/vans, 41% own their home outright whilst 30% are renting, the balanced being those who still have a mortgage. *Reference 2022 Census*

A previous village Parish Plan was produced in 2006. It contained a brief history of the village, statistical data and an assessment of how the Parish Plan fits the short term and long term aims of the Mendip Strategic Partnership. It also included an action plan and a process for taking forward the recommended actions.

With a number of new properties in the village bringing an influx of new people and the establishment of a new unitary authority, it is now time to establish a new Parish Plan that reflects the community we have in the village now.

The village is in the middle of a large quarrying industry which is a considerable influence on our community.

There are no other consultations taking place with the community at the time of this plan.

Methodology

Mid-way through 2022 the Parish Council were made aware of the opportunity to bid for support from SMART Communities in the development of a new Community Plan. As the previous plan was now 14 years old the Parish Council decided to bid for that support and were pleased to be accepted. Following guidance and support from SMART Communities the Council set up a small steering group made up of members from a representative section of our community. Working together that team deliberated and finally agreed a set of topics that it felt the community would wish to be consulted on.

SMART Communities supported the team to develop a set of appropriate questions for each topic, in particular the style of question to enable actions to be developed. This became our Community Plan Survey.

The team produced a Communications and Marketing Plan which set out how they would engage the community both before the survey went live and during its availability. This included social media, traditional leaflets in every household and making personal visits to all known active community groups.

The steering group decided that the survey should be on-line only but held two open house sessions in the Memorial Hall to allow members of the community unable to complete the survey on-line to do so with the support of members of the steering group.

The survey was completed by 136 people representing just over 30% of our community which the steering felt was a good response.

Survey Responses

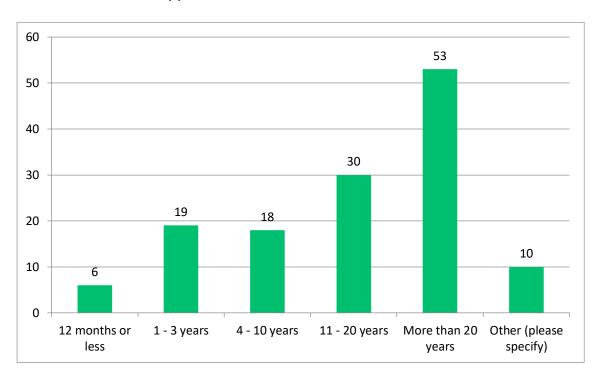


Demographics

An introduction to who has completed the survey, including some basic background questions about age, household size and how long they have lived in the area.

Q1 How long have you lived in Leigh on Mendip?

Answered: 136 Skipped: 0

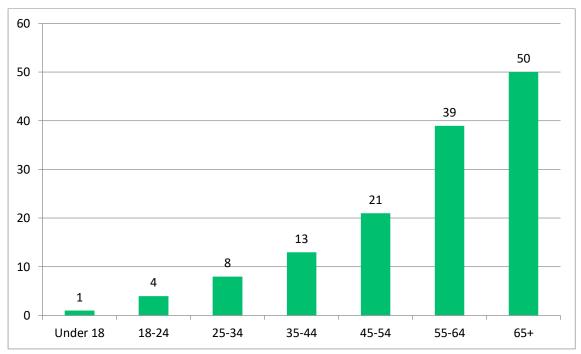


Analysis

- 93 of respondents have lived in the village for over 10 years.
- 25 of respondents have lived in the village for less than 3 years.
- Our village has a stable population.

Q2 How old are you?

Answered: 136 Skipped: 0



Analysis

- 50 of respondents are over 65.
- 89 of respondents are over 55.
- 47 of respondents are under 54.

This reflects the findings from 2021 Census for the Mendip District area as a whole. Our community is mainly made up of an older generation.

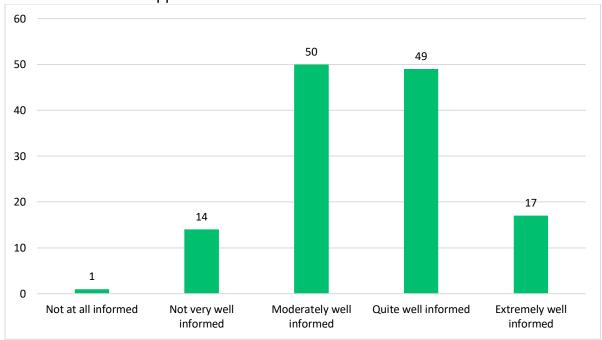


Communication

We wanted to find out which methods of communication are used to find out about what activities and events are going on in Leigh on Mendip, as well as how people keep up to date with Parish Council matters and anything around local business and commerce. Findings will now help us improve our methods of communication and ensure that we communicate with the whole community effectively.

Q3 How well informed, if at all, do you feel about activities and events in your local area?





Analysis

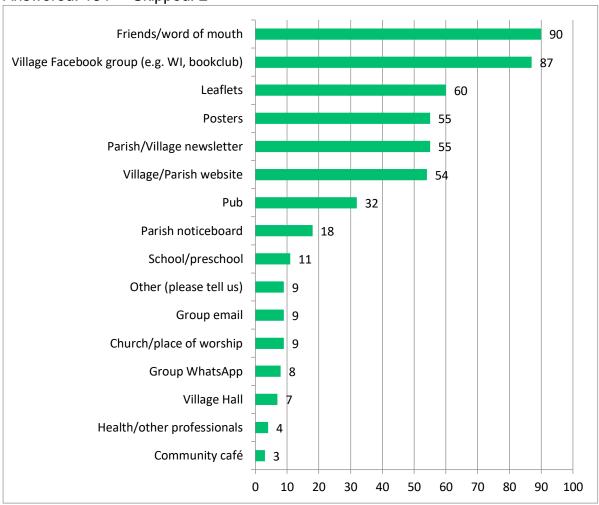
- 116 of respondents feel well informed.
- 15 of respondents don't feel well informed.

There is generally good information about activities and events happening in the village.



Q4 How do you find out about what's going on? (tick any that apply)

Answered: 134 Skipped: 2



Analysis

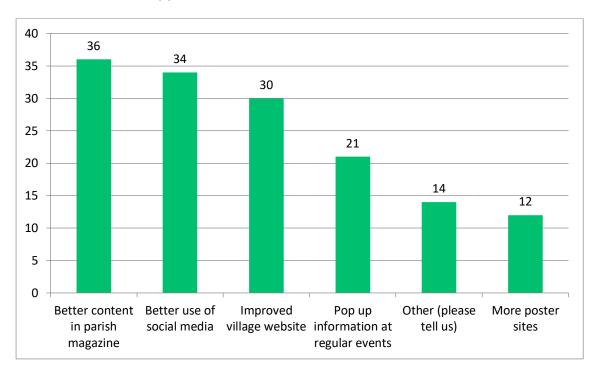
Word of mouth (90), including several references to the WI in "other" comments is still the most popular way of finding out what's going on. However, it is closely followed by the village Facebook page (87) with traditional methods like leaflets, posters and the Parish Newsletter. Interestingly these traditional methods are more popular than the Parish website (54).

Potential Action

The Parish Council should consider making more use of social media for official notices and information.

Q5 What improvements could be made to keep you informed about local news? (tick any that apply)

Answered: 98 Skipped: 38



Analysis

Content of the Parish Magazine could be improved and increased use of new methods of connecting with our parishioners.

Comments

- "A central noticeboard with easy access so that everyone can insert notices of activities that are planned within the parish."
- "Easier to navigate parish website."

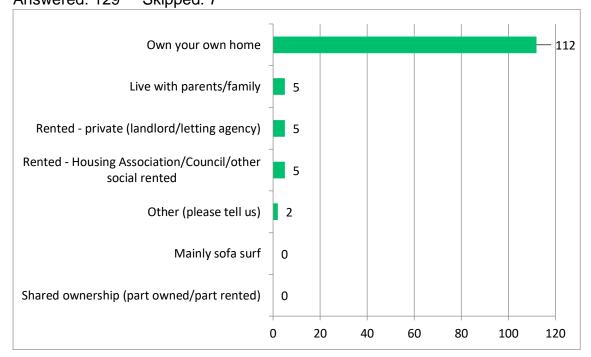
Potential Action

- The Parish Council should consider making more use of social media for official notices and information.
- The Parish Council should consider reviewing the content of the Village website
- The Parish Council should engage with the Editor of the Parish Magazine to consider how content could be improved.
- The Parish Council should consider the erection of a central accessible noticeboard for community use.

Housing

This overview of your needs and current housing situations will help inform the decisions made by the Parish council on planning applications for both large and small developments. Please note this is not a housing needs survey so will provide indicative information only.

Q6 Which of the following best describes your current living situation? Answered: 129 Skipped: 7



Analysis

- 112 of respondents are homeowners.
- 10 of respondents rent.

This reflects the results from the 2021 Census for the Mendip District as a whole.

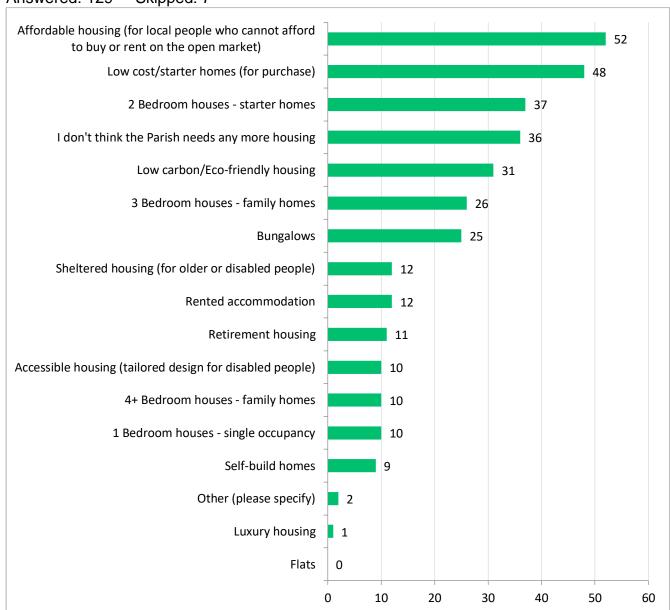
Comment

"I am a live in carer."



Q7 Please tick four types of housing that you feel the Parish needs most in the next 10 years. (tick up to four)

Answered: 129 Skipped: 7



Analysis

- Respondents (137) believe that affordable and low-cost starter homes are the top requirement for the next ten years.
- 36 respondents didn't think the village needed any more housing and 1 respondent indicated support of luxury housing development.

Comment

"Small developments only if at all."

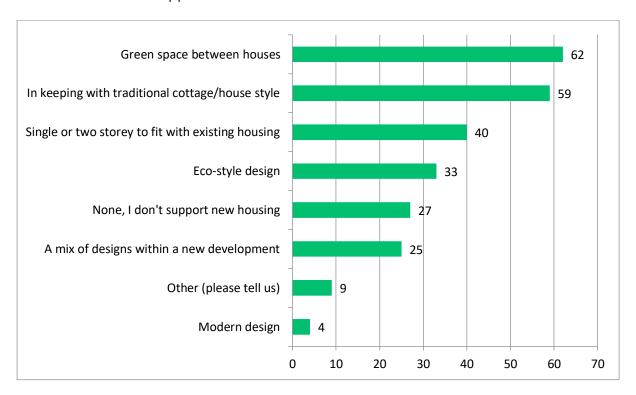
Potential Action

The Parish Council need to consider carefully all applications for development and communicate the parish needs for low-cost starter homes to any potential developer,

including the use of brown field sites, as green open space is so important to the character of the village.

Q8 What is important for our village when thinking of developments? (tick any that apply)

Answered: 129 Skipped: 7



Analysis

It is important that any new development has plenty of green space between houses (62) and that the style of property is in keeping with the traditional cottages and houses (59). Modern designs are not required.

Comments

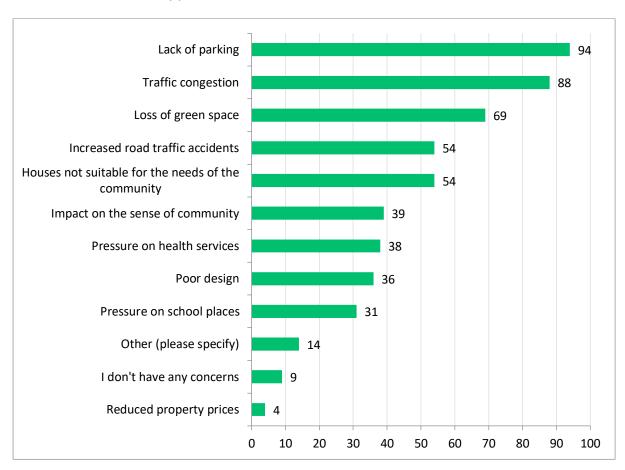
- "Adequate Parking"
- "Organic growth"
- "Small developments"

Potential Action

The Parish Council need to consider carefully all applications for development and communicate the parish needs for traditional style buildings and plenty of space between them to any potential developer.

Q9 What concerns if any do you have about any developments in the village (tick any that apply)

Answered: 129 Skipped: 7



Analysis

Concerns about the lack of parking (94) and increased traffic congestion (88) /accidents (54) are highest when considering any new developments. Any loss of green space is also important.

Comments

- "Character and landscape setting"
- "Impact on heritage and character of the village"
- "Parking"
- "Traffic speed"
- "Nosie and light from quarry workings"
- "Unsustainable public transport"

Potential Action

The Parish Council need to consider carefully all applications for development and communicate the parish needs for adequate parking, traffic flow considerations and the importance of green space to any potential developer.

The Parish Council should consider encouraging those with off street parking to use it helping reduce parking issues.

The Parish Council should consider engaging the Memorial Hall Trustees, The Rec Field Committee and the Pub for better use of their parking facilities.

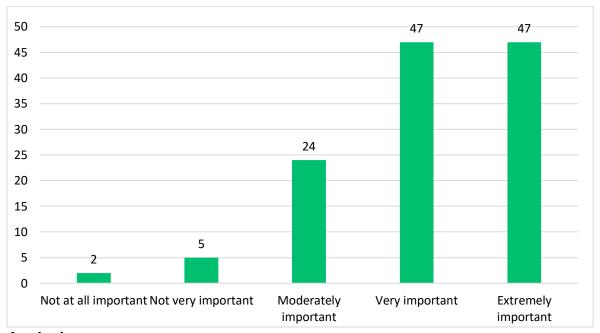
Climate emergency/Environmental issues

The challenges of the Climate and Nature Emergency are serious concerns for the future. To address this, it is going to require positive changes to all our lifestyles. The information gathered from our residents, businesses and other key groups in the parish will highlight what we can all do as a community to help achieve the goal of being carbon-neutral by 2030.



Q10 How important is the climate and nature emergency to you?

Answered: 125 Skipped: 11



Analysis

118 of respondents consider climate change to be important.

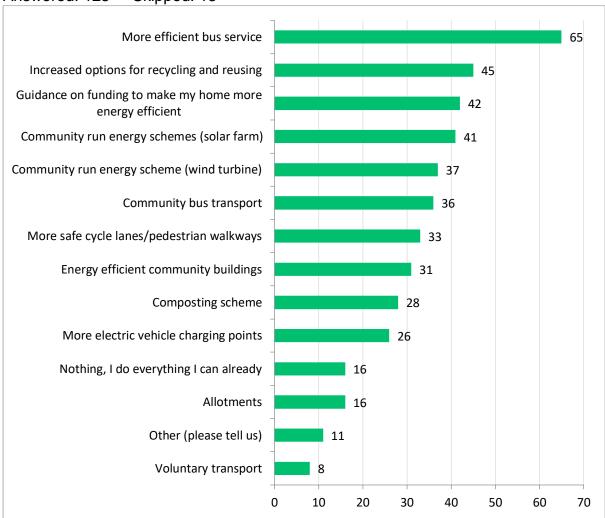
Potential Action

The Parish Council in all their business, need to be aware that the community feels strongly about climate change and that the Council look at all ways to reduce their own carbon footprint in relation to Council business.



Q11 What do you think would help you to reduce your own carbon footprint and help restore nature in your village? (tick any that apply)

Answered: 123 Skipped: 13



Analysis

A more efficient bus service (65), increased options for recycling/re-use (45) and guidance on funding to make our homes more energy efficient (42) are what most people think will help reduce the village carbon footprint. There was also considerable interest in infrastructure projects e.g. solar farms (41) and wind turbines (37).

Comments

- "Viable bus service"
- "Community green space"
- "Guidance on making listed buildings energy efficient."

Potential Action

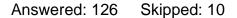
The Parish Council should consider engaging with the bus service provider to look at what options might be available to improve the current level of service.

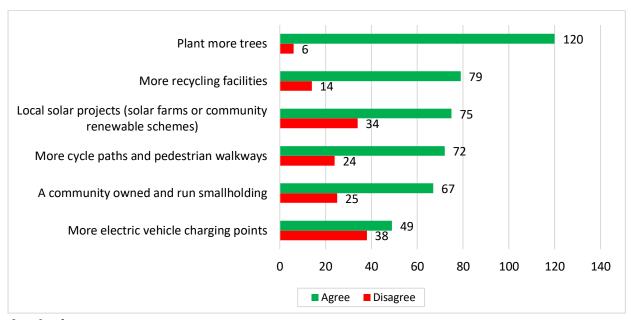
The Parish Council should consider what ways it could increase re-use in the parish by the community.

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the provider of re-cycling facilities in the village to see what further could be done to improve re-cycling.

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the appropriate authorities to seek guidance on how individuals can fund and make their homes more energy efficient.

Q12 Some of the future climate change actions are likely to involve the parish changing. Do you agree or disagree with the following changes?





Analysis

Plant more trees to improve our climate – of the 126 respondents to this question, 120 supported more tree planting which is a strong mandate. As in Q11, the need for improved recycling is high in the responses (79) as are infrastructure projects (75).

Comments

- "Community green space"
- "Field margins enlarged and unploughed to encourage wildlife"
- "Solar farms"
- "Transport sharing"
- "Turn off all street lighting at night not just the main street"

Potential Action

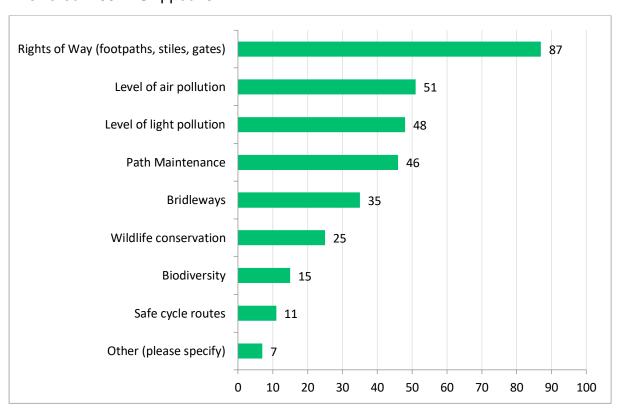
The Parish Council should consider ways of planting more trees on its own land as well as encourage land owners in the parish to do the same.

The Parish Council should consider engaging with landowners in the village to encourage them to leave field margins.

The Parish Council should consider ways in which it can encourage more car sharing within the community.

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the appropriate authority to ensure all village lighting is switched off at night.

Q13 Are you satisfied with the following issues relating to your local environment in the Parish? (tick any that you are satisfied with)
Answered: 105 Skipped: 31



Analysis

Wildlife conservation (25), biodiversity (15) and safe cycle routes (11) are the least satisfactory issues affecting the village.

Comments

- "Access for wheelchair users"
- "New development should not be allowed."

Potential Action

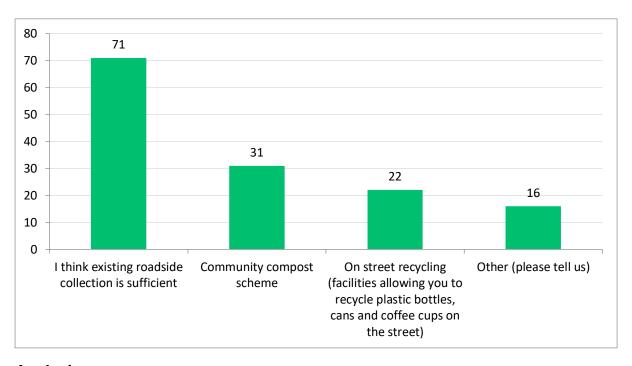
The Parish Council should consider what action it can take to improve wildlife conservation and the village biodiversity.

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the appropriate authorities to establish safe cycle routes wherever possible.

The Parish Council should consider establishing access to village areas and buildings including footpaths to be wheelchair accessible.

Q14 What recycling options would you like in the Parish in addition to existing household roadside collection?

Answered: 118 Skipped: 18



Analysis

71 of respondents think that the existing roadside collections are adequate and 31 think the parish should have a community composting scheme.

Comments

- "Soft plastic recycling is required"
- "Small metal and battery disposal points"
- "Community recycling points"

Potential Action

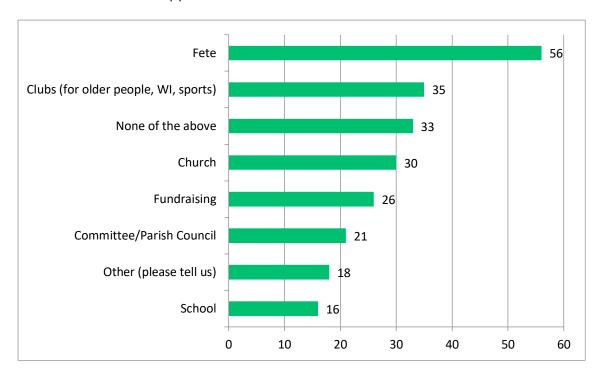
The Parish Council should consider engaging with the recycling service provider to establish how and when soft plastic can by collected.

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the recycling provider to establish community recycling points which include disposal of small metal and batteries.



Q15 Do you currently engage with the Parish in any way (volunteering, attending activities, organising events, committee member)? (tick any that apply)

Answered: 117 Skipped: 19



Analysis

The village fete (56) remains the main way respondents engage with the parish, however there is still a considerable number that engage through the active community groups.

Comments

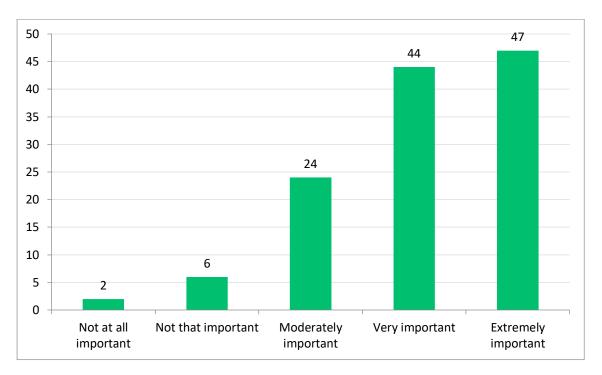
- "Allotments"
- "Art and Craft weekends"
- "LOM Rangers"
- "Neighbourhood watch"
- "Defibrillator Guardians"
- "Parish Path Liaison"

Potential Action

The Parish Council should consider how it can work with all active community groups to ensure they are well advertised for parishioners to participate in.

Q16 How important is it to you that you live in a village?

Answered: 123 Skipped: 13



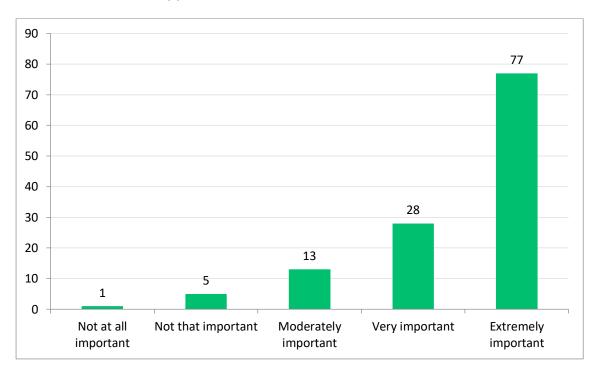
Analysis

115 of respondents consider it important that they live in a village.



Q17 How important is it for you that Leigh retains its village character when a variety of new developments is possible?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 12



Analysis

118 of respondents consider it important that the village retains its character when any new developments are considered.

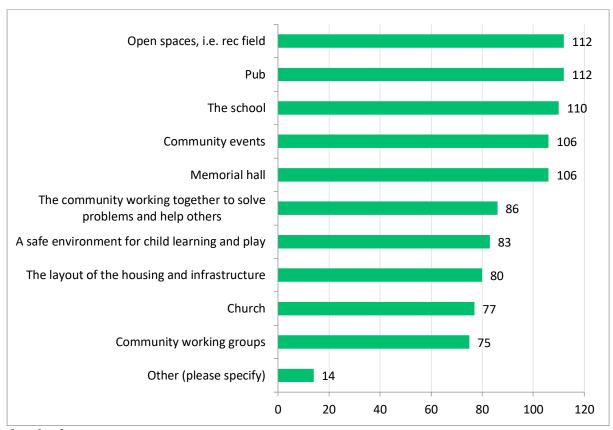
Potential Action

The Parish Council need to consider carefully all applications for development and to work with developers on retaining the village character.

The Parish Council should consider writing a village design statement setting out what factors any new development should take into account.

Q18 What do you think are important factors contributing to village life? Tick all those that apply

Answered: 124 Skipped: 12



Analysis

Respondents feel that open spaces (112), the pub (112), the school (110), community events (106) and the Memorial Hall (106) all contribute to village life.

Comments

- "Bellringing"
- "Communication"
- "Sense of peace

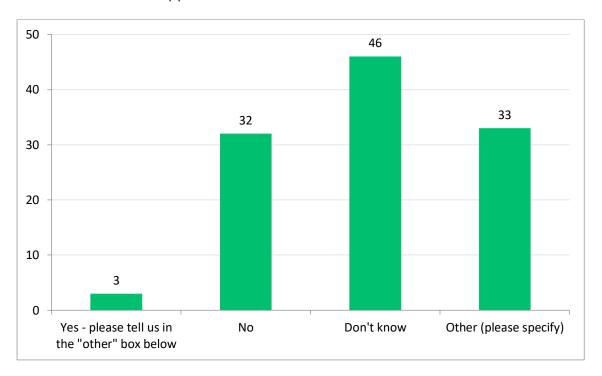
 character and

 appearance gives identity"



Q19 Are there any buildings / locations / cultural activities that you would like to see improved?

Answered: 114 Skipped: 22



Analysis

From respondents' comments there are a number of areas that could be improved. These include:

- Playpark for smaller children
- Footpaths with stiles that can be used by the elderly
- Memorial Hall roof
- Securing the Church for future generations
- More community events

Comments

- "Childrens play area"
- "Removable church pews for community activity"
- "Rec Field Pavilion"
- "Improved/increased car parking around Memorial Hall, Pub and School."
- "Footpath maintenance, including wheelchair access if possible"

Potential Action

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the Rec Field Committee and the Church to see how these comments could be addressed.

The Parish Council should consider undertaking a further survey to identify what is wanted from the Rec Field Pavilion.

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the appropriate authorities and landowners to see how car parking could be improved within the village.

The Parish Council should consider how to encourage those with off street parking to use it helping reduce parking issues.

The Parish Council should consider engaging the Memorial Hall Trustees, The Rec Field Committee and the Pub for better use of their parking facilities.

The Parish Council should consider asking the Parish Path Liaison Officer to undertake a survey of parish footpaths and report where work maybe required.

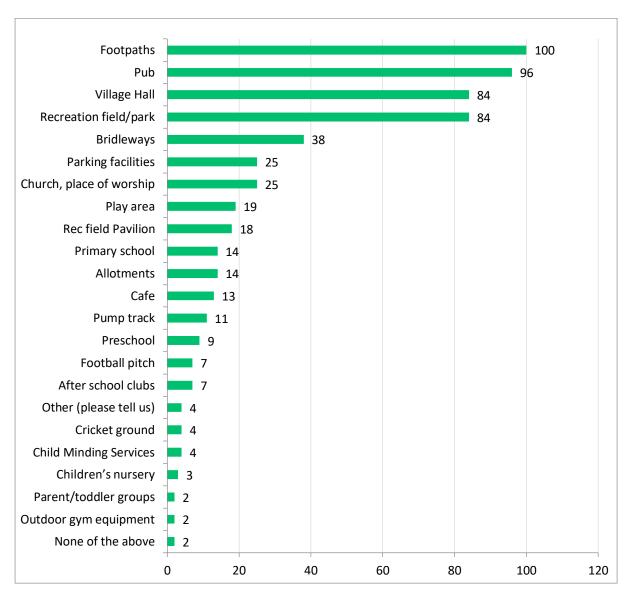
Community Facilities and Services

We have a number of community facilities in the Leigh on Mendip Parish, by that we mean buildings, equipment for recreation and places to assemble for meetings, events and social gatherings. These questions have helped us understand whether the facilities are suitable for the community, where improvements are needed or if new facilities are needed.



Q20 Which leisure activities and recreation facilities do you currently use in your Parish? (tick any that apply)

Answered: 124 Skipped: 12



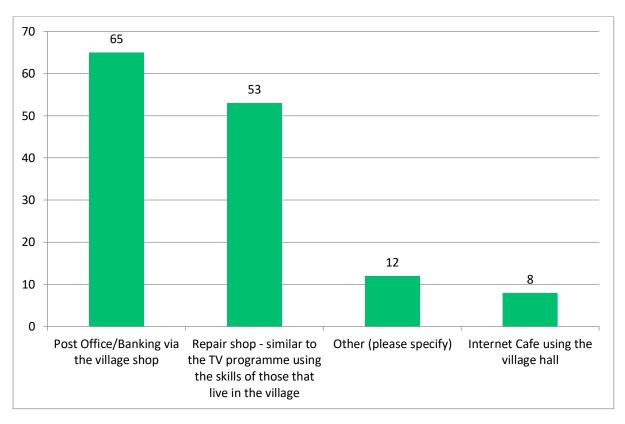
Analysis

Respondents report that the village footpaths (100), the pub (96), the memorial hall (84) and rec field are widely used (84). Activities/resources for young people/families are noticeably less indicated, reflecting the demographic of respondents.

Comments

- "Imperfect art group"
- "Bell ringing"
- "Vobster swimming"

Q21 Are there any other resources you would like to see in your parish? Answered: 94 Skipped: 42



Analysis

65 of respondents would like to be able to access post office and banking via the shop/pub.

53 of respondents like the idea of a repair shop where those with the appropriate skills can repair items.

Comments

- "Reuse/freecycle of unwanted things"
- "Central contact facility for those in need of some support, eg shopping, transport etc"

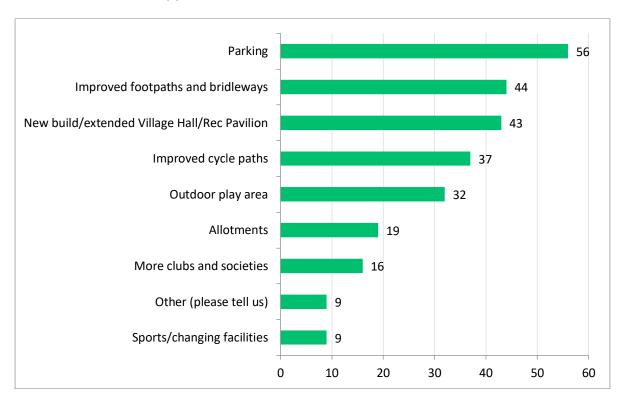
Potential Action

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the pub landlord and the post office to develop some post office services from the pub.

The Parish Council should consider how the repair shop idea can be taken forward.

Q22 What facilities should be considered for future investment by the Parish Council? (tick any that apply)

Answered: 110 Skipped: 26



Analysis

Future investments for the Parish Council to consider should include improved footpaths and cycleways (44), parking (56) and improvements works to the Memorial Hall and Rec Field Pavilion (43).

Comments

- "Village green"
- "Development of planning guidance to ensure maintenance of the special character of the village"

Potential Action

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the Rec Field Committee and the Memorial Hall Trustees to see how these comments could be addressed.

The Parish Council should consider undertaking a further survey to identify what is wanted from the Rec Field Pavilion and Memorial Hall.

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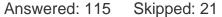
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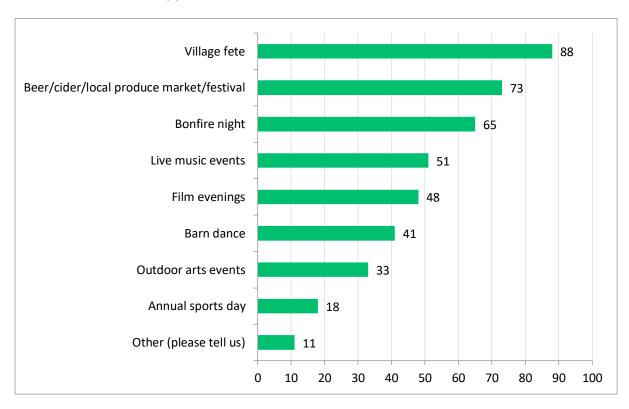
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The Parish Council should consider engaging the Memorial Hall Trustees, The Rec Field Committee and the Pub for better use of their parking facilities.

The Parish Council should consider writing a village design statement setting out what factors any new development should take into account.

Q23 What community events would you like to see take place in the village? (tick any that apply)





Analysis

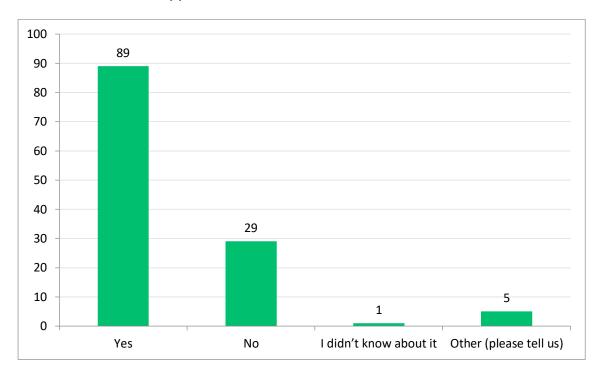
Continuation of the village fete remains a priority for people (88) but a local produce market/festival would also be welcomed (73). Some respondents also thought that a celebration of Bonfire Night would also be good (65).

Potential Action

Consider the possibility of a village committee which is not aligned to one organisation but acts as a conduit for all forms of activity requests from villagers.

Q24 Do you currently use the Memorial Hall?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 12



Analysis

The Memorial Hall is well used with 89 of respondents saying they use it.

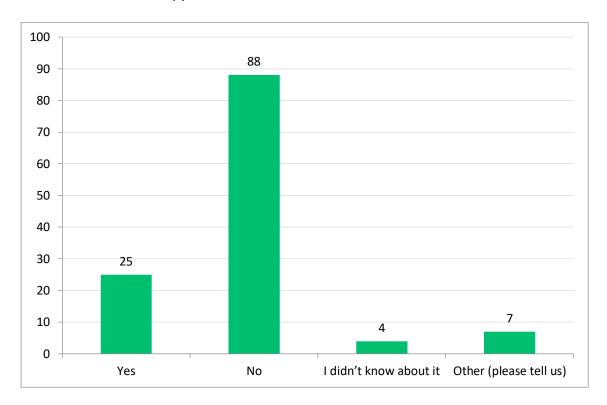
Comment

"Childrens Parties"



Q25 Do you currently use the sports field pavilion?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 12



Analysis

The sports field pavilion (or rec field pavilion as some know it) is not well used with 88 of respondents saying they don't use it.

Comment

"Only on fete day"

Potential Action

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the Rec Field Committee to explore additional usage of this facility.

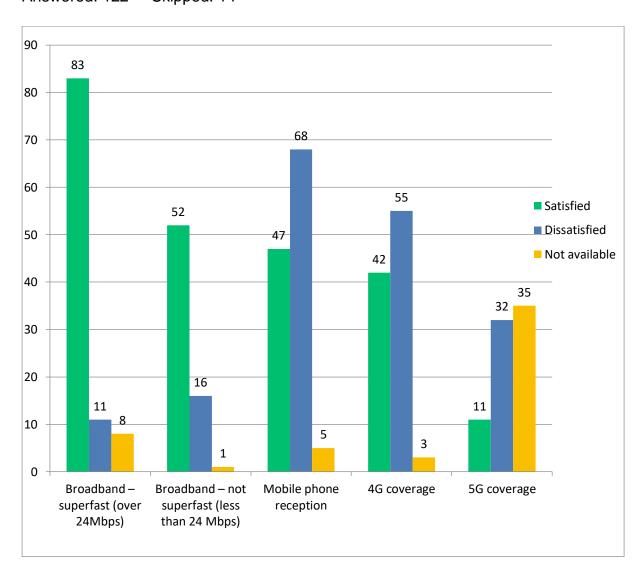
The Parish Council should consider undertaking a further survey to identify what is wanted from the Rec Field Pavilion.



Technology

Internet access and mobile phone coverage is seen by many as an essential part of life, especially as people are choosing to work from home but to date, provision in rural areas has been patchy. Your experience of internet and mobile usage will allow us to explore how we can develop this provision.

Q26 Are you satisfied with the technology where you live? Answered: 122 Skipped: 14



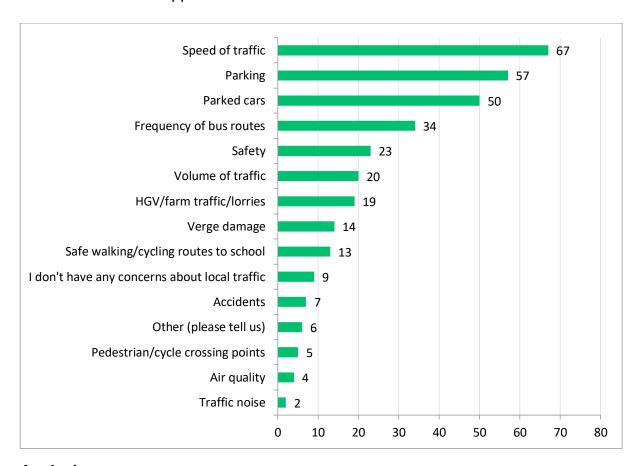
Analysis

Mobile phone coverage remains the area of most dissatisfaction for respondents (68). However, overall respondents were very happy with the superfast broadband introduced recently to the village by Truespeed (83).

Traffic, Travel and Transport

Cars are essential for many people in rural areas, but to address the challenges of congestion and climate change, we can look to improve the provision of public transport, and encouraging walking and cycling, to reduce car journeys.

Q27 If you have concerns about the local traffic, please tick the top three issues in the Parish which currently affect you? (tick up to three that apply) Answered: 123 Skipped: 13



Analysis

The top three concerns of respondents are, speed (67), parking/parked cars (107) and frequency of buses (34).

Comments

- "Inconsiderate parking"
- "Drop off and pick up at school"
- "Speed of organised cycle groups"
- "Lack of adequate signage"

Potential Action

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the appropriate authorities and landowners to see how car parking could be improved within the village.

The Parish Council should consider encouraging those with off street parking to use it helping reduce parking issues.

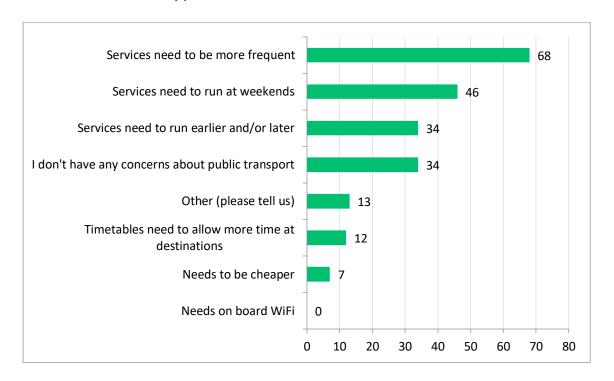
The Parish Council should consider engaging the Memorial Hall Trustees, The Rec Field Committee and the Pub for better use of their parking facilities.

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the school management to improve drop off and collection parking.

The Parish Council should consider undertaking a signage survey and report areas of concern to the appropriate authorities.



Q28 What are your concerns about public transport (tick any that apply) Answered: 120 Skipped: 16



Analysis

There are concerns about the frequency (68), weekend availability (46) and running times (34) of the current bus service.

Comments

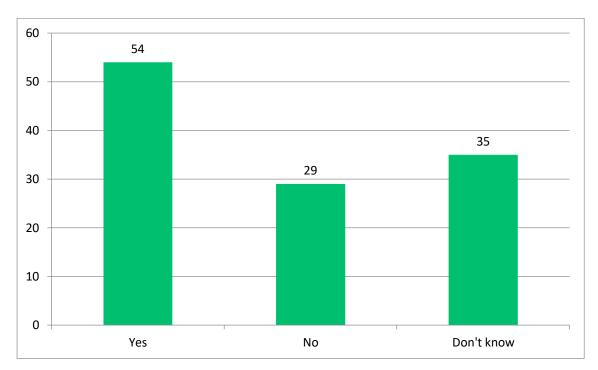
- "What bus service"
- "Not accessible"
- "Ongoing connections to Bath and Bristol"

Potential Action

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the bus service provider to look at what options might be available to improve the current level of service.

Q29 If your concerns were addressed, would you use the bus service?

Answered: 118 Skipped: 18



Analysis

If the concerns expressed above were addressed then 54 respondents said they would use public transport.

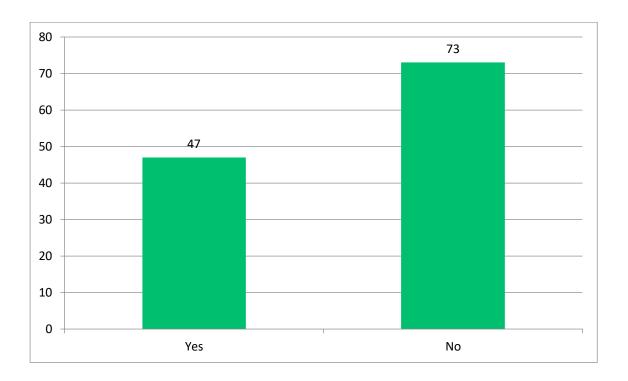
Potential Action

The Parish Council should consider the development of a dial a ride scheme.



Q30 Did you know community transport (for those who do not have their own transport or find it difficult to access public transport) is available in your Parish?

Answered: 120 Skipped: 16



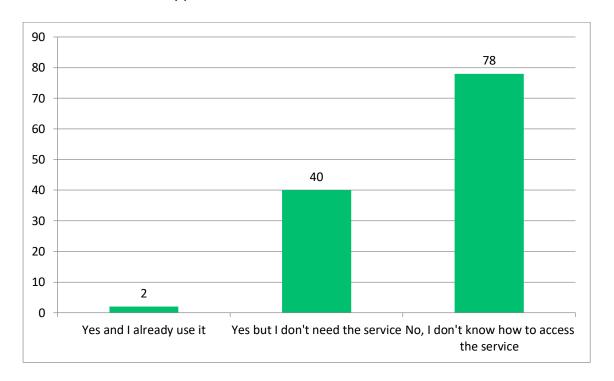
Analysis

73 respondents did not know of the community transport scheme.

Potential Action

The Parish Council should consider working with the appropriate authority to widely publish the scheme.

Q31 Do you know how to access community transport in the Parish? Answered: 120 Skipped: 16



Analysis

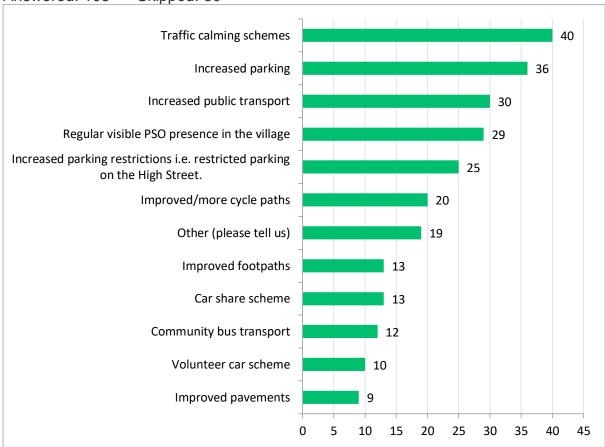
Although 42 of respondents were aware of the community transport scheme, 78 of them didn't know how to access it.

Potential Action

The Parish Council should consider working with the appropriate authority to widely publish the scheme and how to access it.

Q32 What do you think are the best ways to reduce traffic problems in the Parish? (tick any that apply)





Analysis

Respondents believe the best way to reduce traffic problems would be traffic calming (40), improved parking (36) and improved public transport (30). There is less importance attached to community transport, including car sharing and volunteer car schemes.

Comments

- "Flashing speed sign"
- "Car park for school"
- "HGV ban"
- "Improved signage"
- "Speed cameras"

Potential Action

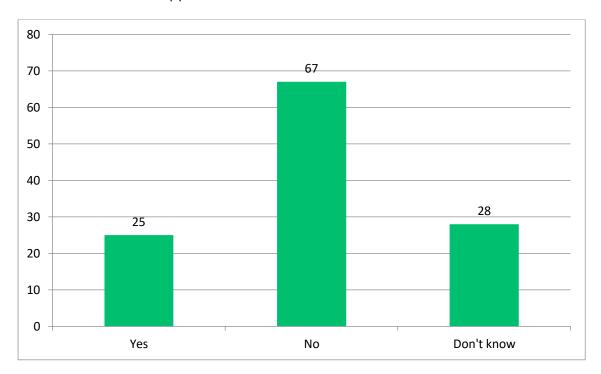
The Parish Council should consider engaging with the bus service provider to look at what options might be available to improve the current level of service.

The Parish Council should consider undertaking a signage survey and report areas of concern to the appropriate authorities.

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the school management to improve drop off and collection parking.

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the appropriate authorities to look at options for traffic calming, flashing speed signs and speed cameras.

Q33 Would you be prepared to be part of a community speedwatch team? Answered: 120 Skipped: 16



Analysis

There has been a good response for those interested in becoming part of a Speedwatch team with 25/120 respondents agreeing, however 67/120 would not.

Potential Action

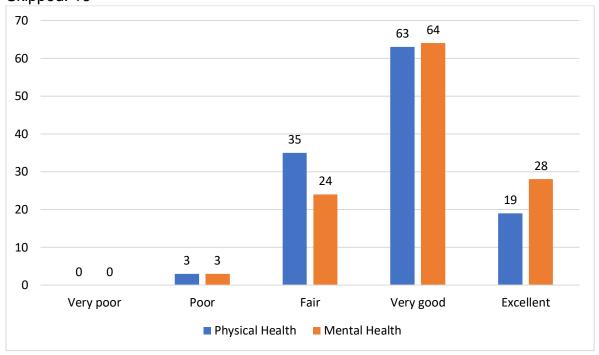
The Parish Council should consider engaging with the appropriate authorities to look at developing a Speedwatch scheme in the village or other traffic calming measures i.e flashing speed sign as this may be more acceptable than the Speedwatch option.

Health and Wellbeing

Health & Wellbeing is one of the priority topics for consultation in this Community Review process. You'll find that many of the other topics covered in this questionnaire will affect our health in some way too (Traffic & transport; Climate Emergency; Cost of Living Crisis; Covid recovery).

Q34 How do you rate your general health and wellbeing?

Answered: 120 Skipped: 16



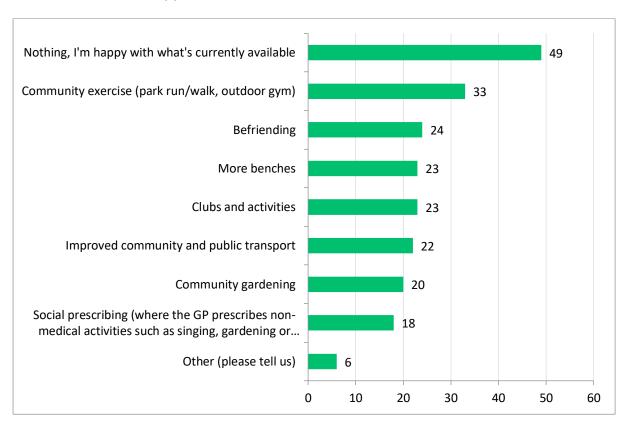
Analysis

116 of respondents are in reasonable physical health and 116 of respondents are in good mental health. The health of our community is generally very good.



Q35 What could be offered in your community to help improve your health and wellbeing needs, including reducing isolation? (tick any that apply)

Answered: 117 Skipped: 19



Analysis

49 of 117 respondents are content with current provision. Respondents feel that community exercise and an outdoor gym (33) could improve our health and wellbeing. A befriending group could help to reduce isolation (24) as could provision of clubs and activities (23).

Comments

- "More green space"
- "Wellbeing workshops"
- "Community groups"

Potential Action

The Parish Council should consider the development of a befriending group.

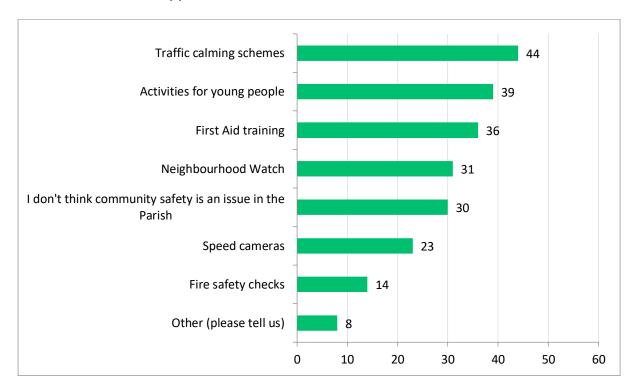
The Parish Council should consider seeking support from local businesses for additional benches around the village.

Community Safety

Which aspects of Community Safety are important in your community? With a more detailed understanding of the issues, we can suggest what solutions are available to address them.

Q36 How could community safety be improved in the Parish? (tick any that apply)

Answered: 117 Skipped: 19



Analysis

Respondents felt that community safety could be improved by introducing traffic calming (44), more activities for our younger community members (39) and first aid training (36) for those that are prepared to support others in need. 30 of 117 respondents felt that community safety is not an issue in the Parish.

Comment

- "CCTV"
- "Parking"
- "Welfare checks for our vulnerable community"
- "Refresh Defibrillator training"

Potential Action

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the appropriate authorities and landowners to see how car parking could be improved within the village.

The Parish Council should consider encouraging those with off street parking to use it helping reduce parking issues.

The Parish Council should consider engaging the Memorial Hall Trustees, The Rec Field Committee and the Pub for better use of their parking facilities.

The Parish Council should consider arranging refresher training for the villages two defibrillators.

The Parish Council should consider engaging with the local GP surgery to explore the possibility of organising welfare checks for our vulnerable community.

What Next...

The Parish Council is now developing an action and funding plan to delivery on those issues raised by the community through this work. This will be the focus and priority of the Parish Council over the next couple of years. The Parish Council will review progress against actions on a regular basis and will include an update in its annual report.



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