



North Leigh Parish Council

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NORTH LEIGH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN: COMMUNITY SURVEY REPORT

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ABOUT COMMUNITY FIRST OXFORDSHIRE

Community First Oxfordshire (CFO) is a community development charity. We support social action projects, volunteering, community halls, transport schemes and local businesses. We also run a placemaking and town planning consultancy, helping communities and clients, including parish and town councils, Local Authorities, and developers to identify planning and infrastructure requirements and develop the policies and projects necessary to achieve them.

NORTH LEIGH NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Neighbourhood planning is a right for communities introduced through the Localism Act, 2011.

Neighbourhood plans are legally binding planning documents. They must comply with both local and national, higher-level planning policies, and they are about allowing villages, towns or neighbourhoods to shape development in that area. A final NP is a set of policies related to land use, identifying what is best for the locality and what is needed to deliver tangible changes to that place.

In 2023, North Leigh Parish agreed to develop a Neighbourhood Plan (NP).

The Steering Committee has commissioned Community First Oxfordshire to support the development of the NP.

145 local residents attended a launch event in February 2024. The main themes discussed were:

- **INFRASTRUCTURE**
Topics included: roads, traffic, sewage, transport, employment.
- **HOUSING DEVELOPMENT**
Topics included new development, local character, design.
- **AMENITIES**
Topics included: pubs, shops, post office, church.
- **RECREATION**
Topics included paths, halls, rights of way, playgrounds.
- **GREEN SPACES**
Topics included views, woodland, green spaces, Roman villas, North Leigh common.

THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SURVEY – SUMMER 2024

A survey is one of the key means of finding out what residents think about a range of issues. The survey is an important part of the evidence base underpinning the Neighbourhood Plan, with the findings helping guide the next stage of plan-making.

The intent of the Neighbourhood Plan Survey was to further explore the themes discussed at the February launch event (and other topics). The questions were developed by the Steering Committee, supported and advised by CFO.

DISTRIBUTION AND RESPONSE

In order to carry out the Community Survey, a printed survey and *Freepost* return envelope were delivered to 970 households in North Leigh by members of the NP Steering Committee in June 2024.

Residents were invited to respond to the Community Survey by either returning a completed hard copy survey or accessing a *Survey Monkey* internet link. The survey deadline was 28 July 2024.

CFO analysed the survey returns and produced this report.

362 survey responses were received (37% response rate)

OVERVIEW OF SURVEY FINDINGS

This section summarises responses to a wide selection of questions from each section. A detailed breakdown of responses to every question is presented below at *Detailed Survey Results*.

YOUR HOUSEHOLD

Where do you live?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - North Leigh – 83.5% - East End – 16% - Wilcote – 0.5%
Percentage of households in the different areas of North Leigh parish which responded to the survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - North Leigh 299 responses from 790 households = 38% - East End 57 responses from 93 households = 61% - Wilcote 2 responses from 17 households = 12%

THE VISION OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Would you like to see North Leigh parish become a suburb of Witney?	Top answer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No – 93%
Would you like to see housing expansion in North Leigh parish result in the parish joining up with Hailey/ New Yatt/ Hanborough?	Top answer: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No – 94%
How would you like North Leigh parish to be described in 15 years time?	Top 3 answers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An inclusive, friendly, active, safe community – 86% - A place where the people of NL engage with local issues – 65% - A creative community known for regular communal events – 54%

How important are these characteristics of North Leigh to your household? 1 = not at all important, 5 = very important

Top 3 answers (weighted average):

- Access to the countryside – **4.8**
- Open green spaces/ rural views – **4.8**
- Setting in a rural landscape – **4.7**

NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

Would you like to see new housing development in North Leigh parish?

Top answer:

- Would NOT like to see new housing development – **85%**

What do you think are the most important considerations regarding the landscape and community setting of new housing development?

Top 3 answers:

- Minimise impact on environment – **90%**
- Minimise impact on traffic and parking – **87%**
- Minimise impact on views – **83%**

What do you think are the most important considerations regarding the design and layout of new housing development?

Top 3 answers:

- Sufficient off-road parking – **82%**
- Communal green spaces – **70%**
- Equipped for alternative energy provision – **70%**

HOUSING NEEDS

Are you likely to move home in the next 10 years?

Top 3 answers:

- No – **54%**
- Maybe – **32%**
- Yes, to anywhere suitable – **13%**

If you are likely to move, could you please say why?

Top 3 answers:

- Other reasons – **39%**
- Current home too big – **24%**
- Current home unsuitable for health/ mobility requirements – **17%**

ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE, AND ACCESS TO NATURE

Do you think the Neighbourhood Plan should contain policies to conserve and enhance nature, biodiversity, and wildlife?	Top answer: - Yes – 95%
Do you agree that the following archaeological or historical places and their surroundings should be protected from development?	For each of the listed locations, 89% + ticked 'YES'
Do you agree that the following green spaces or public rights of way should be protected from development?	For each of the listed locations, 84% + ticked 'YES'
Do you agree that the following woodlands should be protected from development?	For each of the listed locations, 93% + ticked 'YES'
Do you agree that the following key views should be protected from development?	For each of the listed locations, 88% + ticked 'YES'

ROADS, TRANSPORT AND MOVEMENT

What forms of transport does your household regularly use?	Top 3 answers: - Car – 98% - Walking – 69% - Bus – 33%
Which of the following methods of transport would you like to make use of more often?	Top 3 answers: - Bus – 47% - Walking – 39% - Bicycle – 33%
If applicable, what prevents you cycling or walking more?	<u>CYCLING</u> - Poor state of repair of pavements and foot/cycle paths – 41% - Destination too far away to walk/ cycle – 32% <u>WALKING</u> - Destination too far away to walk/ cycle – 57% - Poor state of repair of pavements and foot/cycle paths – 41%
What do you think about the following road and traffic issues within North Leigh? 1 = very minor issue, 5 = very major issue	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - Traffic and congestion in the village – 3.6 - Road safety on the A4095 – 3.5 - Road safety within the village for cyclists and pedestrians – 3.5

What is your opinion of the road, pavement and cycle infrastructure? 1 = very poor, 5 = very good

Top 3 answers (weighted average):

- Level of road signage generally – **3.3**
- Placement of signage – **3.2**
- Level of lighting provided – **3.2**

Do you think traffic calming measures ... should be introduced?

Top 2 answers:

- No – **54%**
- Yes – **33%**

If you answered yes [to traffic calming measures] where do you think traffic calming measures should be introduced?

Top 3 answers:

- Either side of school on Park Road – **74%**
- Common Road – **47%**
- Pinch points on Park Road – **45%**

From the feedback obtained at the NP community event, it is considered that there is a lack of suitable parking in the parish. Do you agree?

Yes – **69%**

Would you support putting pedestrian crossings in the parish?

Yes – **47.5%**
No – **33%**
Maybe – **19.5%**

If you answered yes [to pedestrian crossings] where would you like to see pedestrian crossings?

Top 3 answers:

- Outside Memorial Hall – **88.5%**
- New Yatt Road – **27%**
- Common Road – **27%**

LOCAL AMENITIES

How satisfied are you with the following community buildings and services in North Leigh parish? 1 = not satisfied at all; 5 = very satisfied

Top 3 answers (weighted average):

- Church – **4.2**
- Turner Hall – **4.2**
- Memorial Hall – **4.1**

How satisfied are you with the types of activities offered in the parish? 1 = not satisfied at all; 5 = very satisfied

Top 3 answers (weighted average):

- Clubs and societies – **3.6**
- Fitness classes – **3.3**
- Other classes – **3.2**

How satisfied are you with the following outdoor recreation opportunities in North Leigh parish? 1 = not satisfied at all; 5 = very satisfied

Top 3 answers (weighted average):

- Children's playgrounds – **3.6**
- Adventure playground – **2.9**
- Skatepark – **2.3**

What is your opinion about the facilities on offer for hosting activities for young people in the parish? *1 = not satisfied at all; 5 = very satisfied*

Top 3 answers (weighted average):

- Children aged 0-5 – **3.2**
- Children aged 6-10 – **3**
- Children ages 11+ – **2.5**

LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES

How satisfied are you with the following infrastructure and services in North Leigh parish? *1 = not satisfied at all; 5 = very satisfied*

Top 3 answers (weighted average):

- Waste collection – **4.1**
- Primary education – **4**
- Level of choice of secondary education – **3.7**

Lowest 3 answers (weighted average):

- Accessing an NHS dentist – **1.7**
- Maintenance of roads and pavements – **1.8**
- Sewerage – **2.5**

Do you think we need any more of any of the following types of community facilities and/ or opportunities in North Leigh?

Top 3 answers:

- GP surgery – 58%
 - Coffee shop – 51%
 - Sports facilities – 43%
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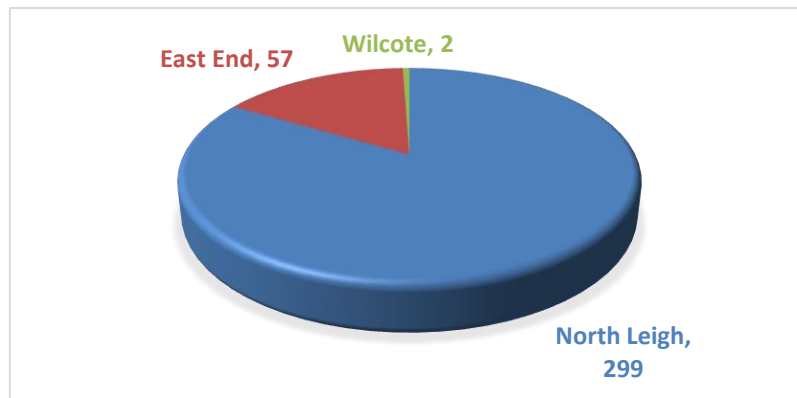
DETAILED SURVEY RESULTS

- Total responses: 362
- Note: graphs are based on total responses. Where the total is less than 362, a respondent(s) declined to answer the question.

PART 1 – TELL US A BIT ABOUT YOUR HOUSEHOLD

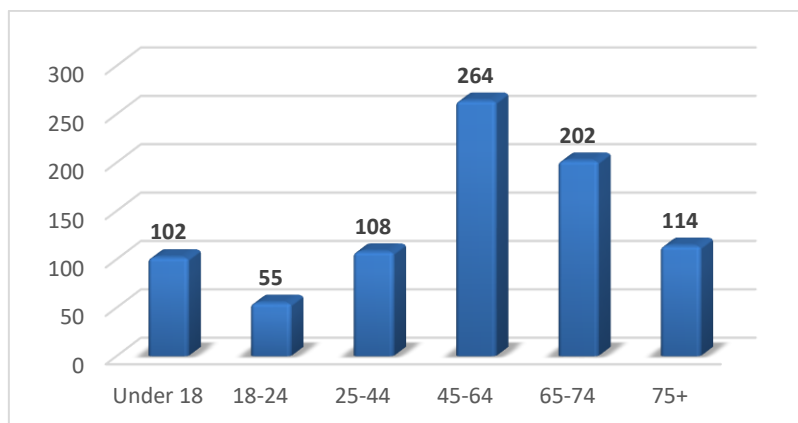
1. Please tell us where you live.

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 358



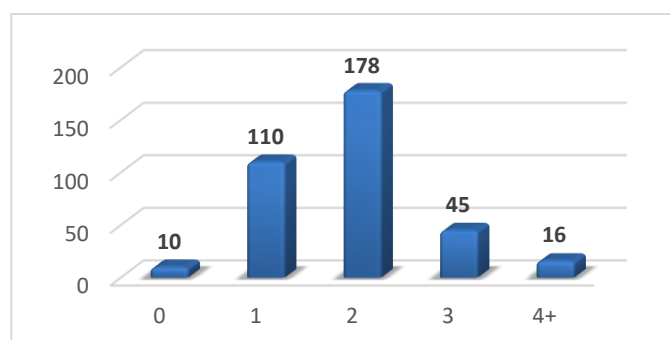
2. How many people of each age group live in your household?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 356 (845 INDIVIDUALS)



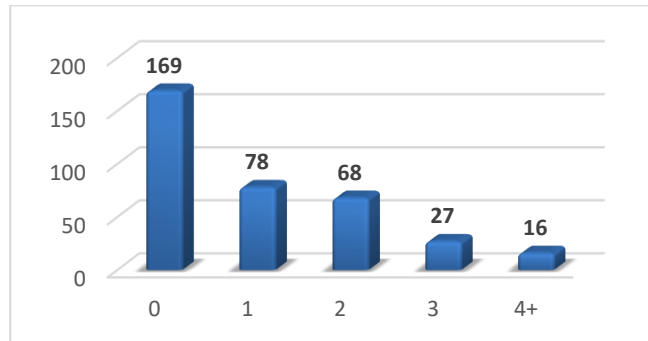
3. Please tell us how many cars your household has.

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 359



4. How many people in your household commute to work or school?

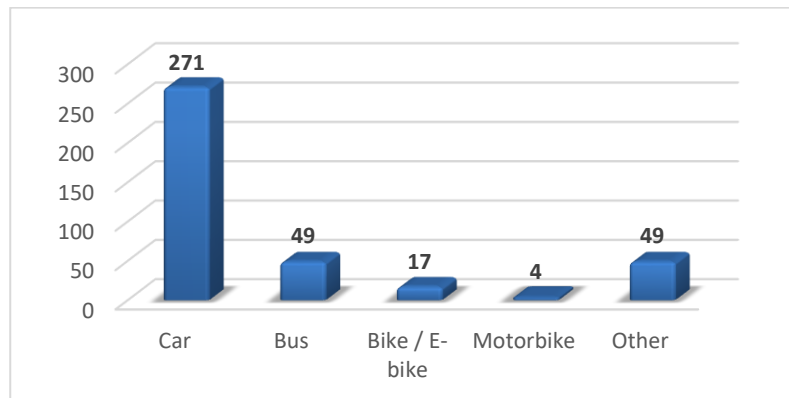
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 358



- 189 respondents ticked 1 or more people in their household commuting, compared to 169 respondents who ticked no people commuting.

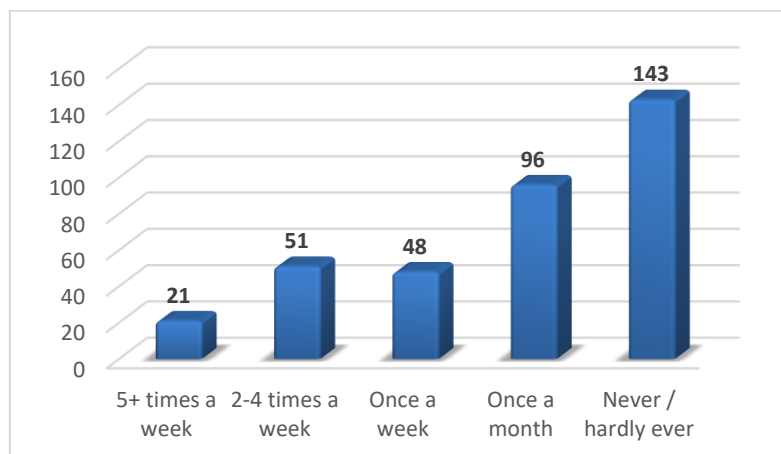
5. For those commuting to work or school, what form of transport do they use?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 186 (390 TOTAL CHOICES)



6. IN GENERAL, how often does your household use public transport?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 359



PART 2 – THE VISION OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (2024-2041)

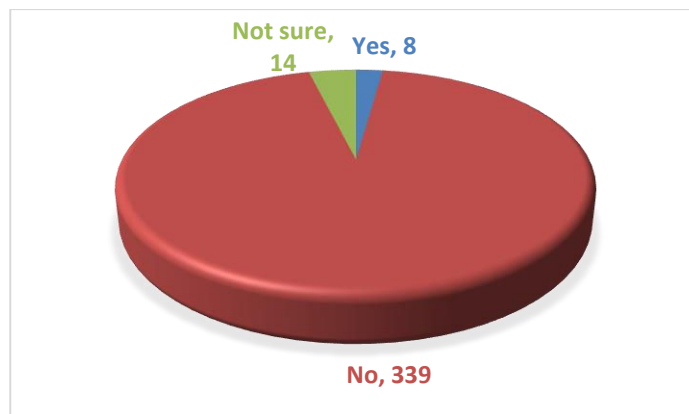
7. Would you like to see North Leigh parish become a suburb of Witney?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 360



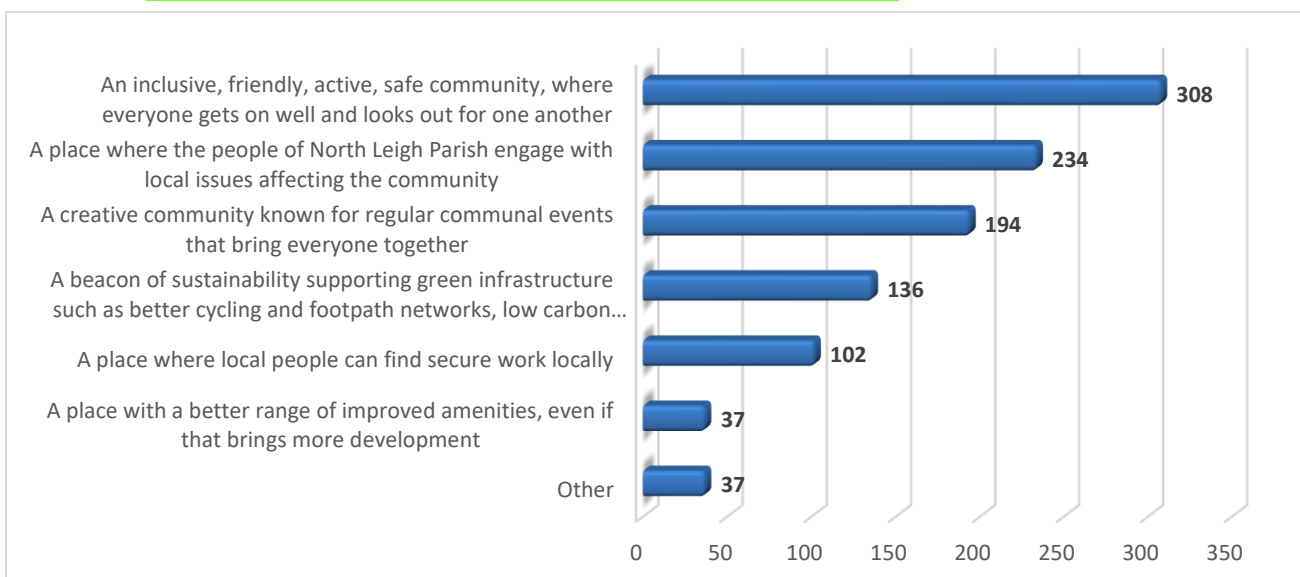
8. Would you like to see housing expansion in North Leigh parish result in the parish joining up with Hailey / New Yatt / Hanborough?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 361



9. How would you like North Leigh parish to be described in 15 years time?

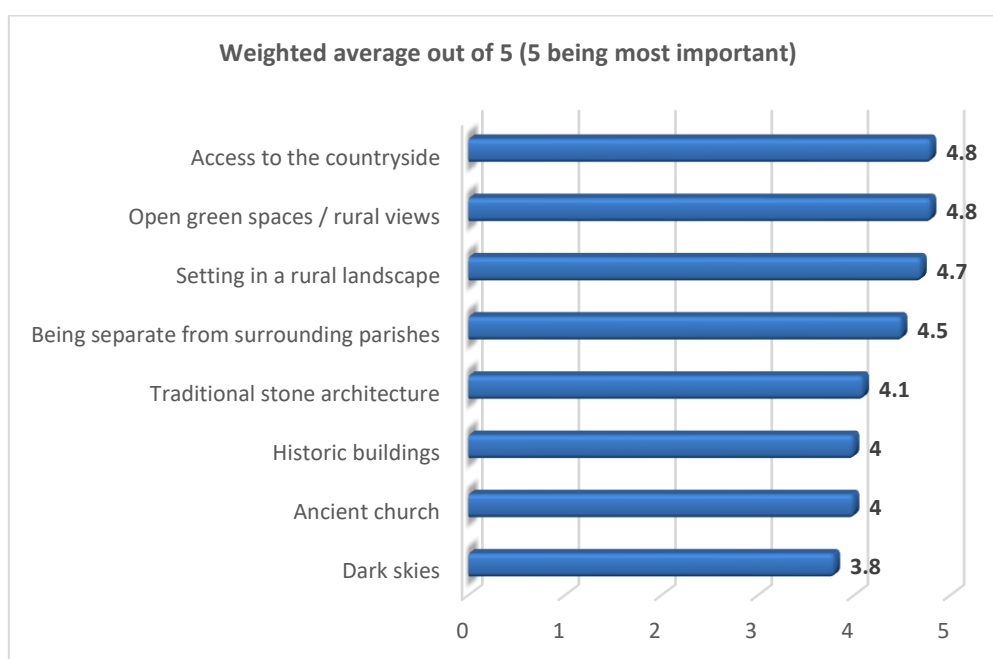
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 360 (1048 TOTAL CHOICES)



Other (37 respondents, 45 total comments):			
Remaining a village / rural community	8	No more houses / development	6
Remaining separate from neighbouring villages	3	A safe place to live and for children to grow up	3
A peaceful place to live	3	More green space	2
Better amenities / public transport in East End	2	No social housing	2
Better and clearer cycle/footpaths	2	A place where footpaths continue to be well maintained and used providing valuable opportunities for residents and visitors to enjoy/benefit from the natural world on our doorstep	1
Area of outstanding natural beauty with reliable infrastructure	1	Supporting green infrastructure but only for the size of the village	1
Solar panels on roofs not fields	1	Community proud and representative of rural roots with a sustainable housing plan that supports that	1
Well connected to Witney by public transport	1	Better policing of speed limits	1
More traffic management	1	No school parking on Park Road	1
No double decker buses that don't fit	1	East End as a quiet rural community	1
Not too much development	1	Leave as it is	1
Why would anyone want anything other than these options	1		

10. How important are these characteristics of North Leigh parish to your household, on a scale of 1-5: 1 = not at all important, 5 = very important?

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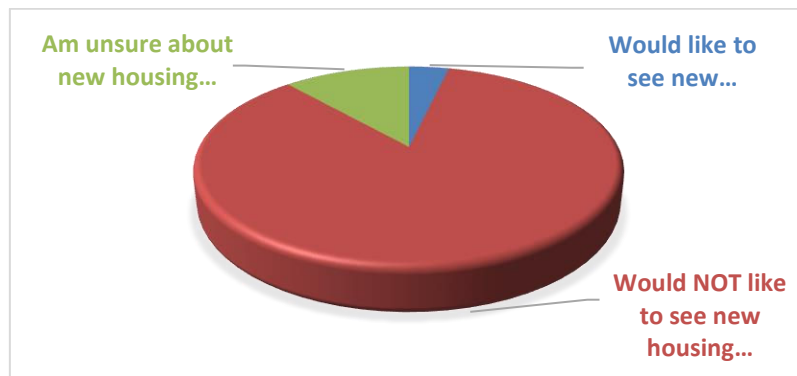


Other (38 respondents, 46 total comments):			
Retained as village / small rural community	6	Well-maintained and useable footpaths/rural walkways	5
Peace and quiet / low level of noise pollution	5	Wildlife and green spaces	4
The Windmill	3	Reduction of car traffic	3
Local pubs	2	School	2
Size / limited population	2	No more housing development	2
No more greenfield sites used for development	1	Protection of North Leigh Common	1
River	1	Shop	1
Post office	1	Library	1
Local employment	1	Cut back hedges and grass	1
Reduction of air traffic	1	Good roads and pavements	1
Speed reduction through East End	1	The evolved demographic of the parish	1

PART 3 – NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

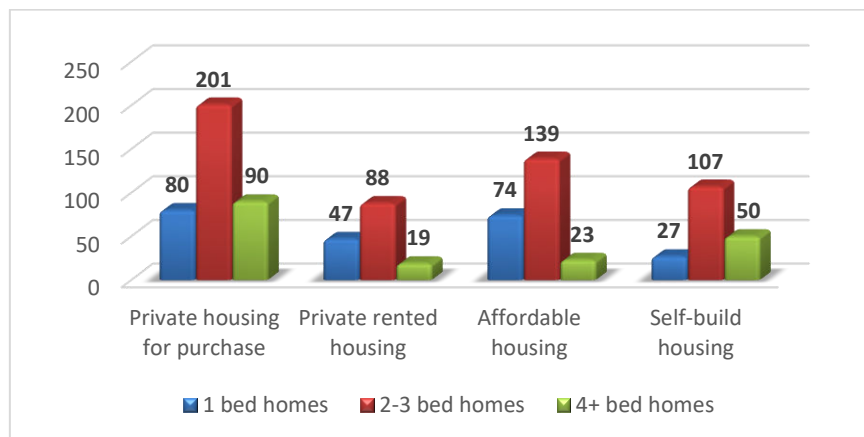
11. Would you like to see new housing development in North Leigh parish?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 355



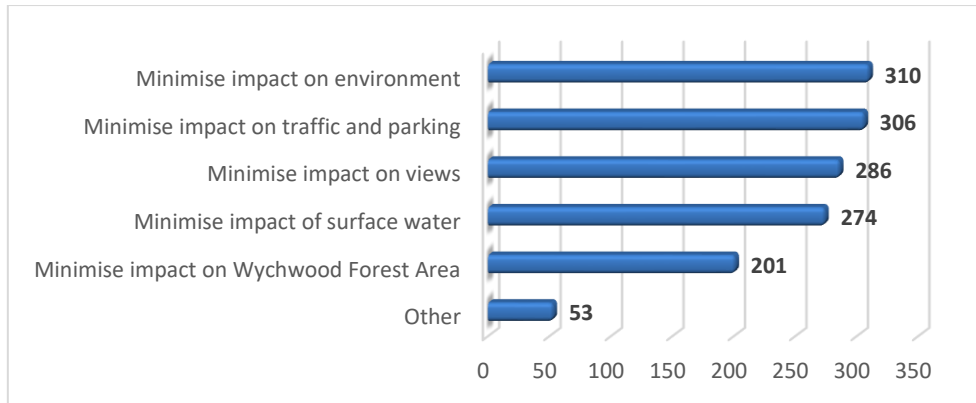
12. If West Oxfordshire District Council permits new housing development in North Leigh parish, what sort of housing would you like to see, both type and size?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 311 (945 TOTAL CHOICES)



13. What do you think are the most important considerations regarding the landscape and community setting of new housing development?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 345

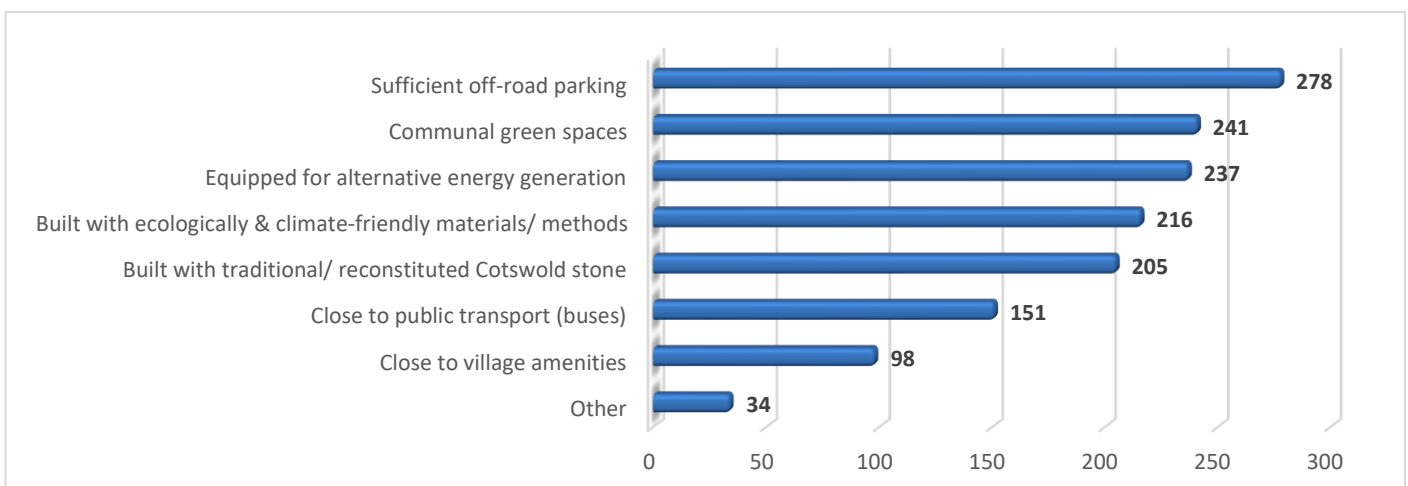


Other (53 respondents, 63 total comments):

Minimise impact on current infrastructure/services – sufficient infrastructure to support population	14	Minimise impact on sewage/drainage	14
Minimise impact on wildlife and birds	3	Increase school facilities/resources	3
No more housing development	3	Keep community rural and separate	2
Put in smaller place, ie, East End	2	Increase medical facilities	2
Minimise noise	2	Minimise impact on air quality	2
Minimise impact on dark skies	2	Consider closeness to existing housing	1
Put in right location	1	Close to A4095 and away from fields	1
Ensure all new housing is zero carbon	1	Ensure all new housing has swift bricks	1
Assorted styles and materials	1	Minimise loss of farmland	1
Need our green spaces	1	More green spaces	1
Minimise impact on walking paths	1	Minimise impact on crime	1
Parking area for visitors	1	Thames Water to be accountable	1
No social housing	1		

14. What do you think are the most important considerations regarding the design and layout of new housing development?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 338

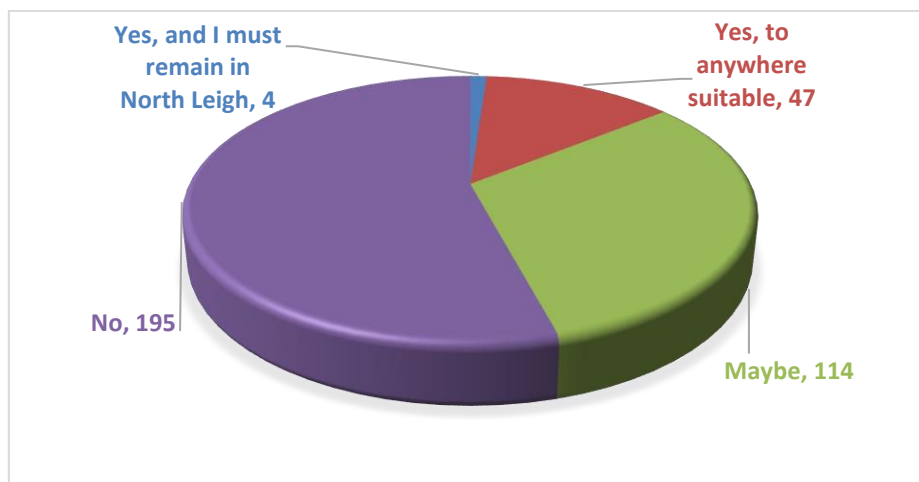


Other (34 respondents, 40 total comments):			
Improved drainage/sewage system	7	No more housing development	5
Supports/improves existing infrastructure	3	Materials in keeping with the rest of village	2
Well insulated	2	Built to high quality / built to German standards	2
Low density	2	Wooded areas / more trees	2
Bungalows not houses	2	Flats not houses	1
More housing for the elderly	1	Housing that will attract downsizers	1
Minimise impact on existing housing	1	Limited to infill	1
Minimise traffic in village	1	Suitable access roads to support traffic	1
Parking area for visitors	1	Access to nature	1
Adult gym	1	Communal childrens play area	1
Facilities for children	1	Recycle grey water systems	1

PART 4 – HOUSING NEEDS

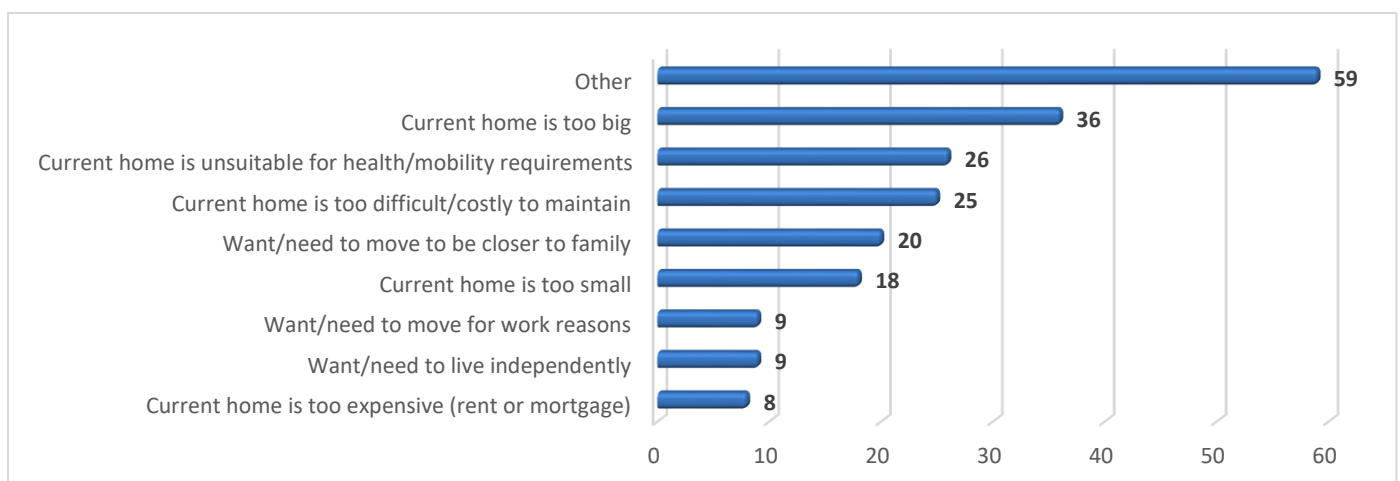
15. Are you likely to move home in the next 10 years?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 360



16. If you are likely to move home could you please say why.

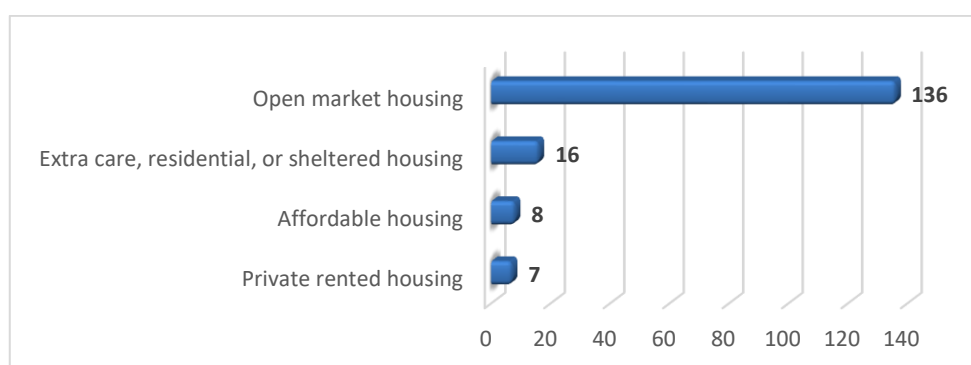
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 152 (211 TOTAL CHOICES)



Other (59 respondents, 11 total comments):			
North Leigh no longer a village or the place it used to be – too much development and noise	20	Will move if North Leigh gets too much bigger and/or if more housing is passed	7
To somewhere with less traffic and congestion	7	Depends on health – might need to move to a care home	5
To live somewhere with better amenities / amenities I can walk to	4	Change of scenery / moving elsewhere	4
Retiring	3	To live in more rural quiet location	3
To release equity	2	To a less dense area	1
House not efficient enough	1	House now outside bus transfer station	1
Garden too big	1	To make provision for autistic son	1
To move away from social housing	1	Don't like neighbours	1
New partner	1	May require multi-generational annex	1

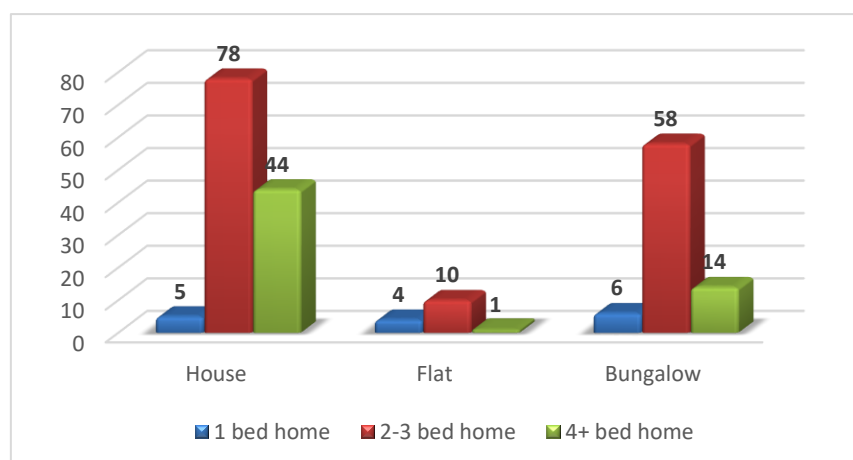
17. What tenure of housing do you require?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 152 (167 TOTAL CHOICES)



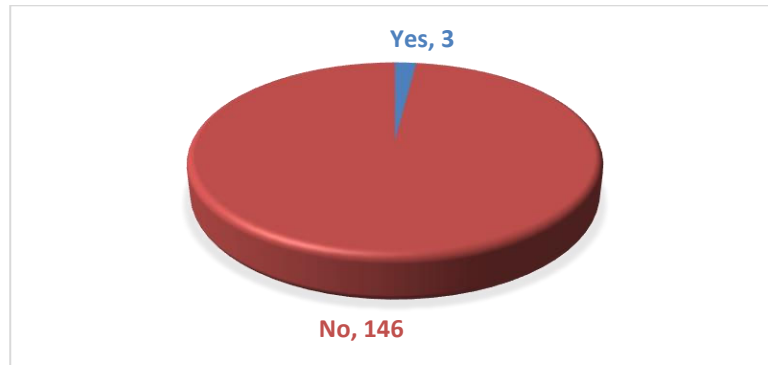
18. Which property type and size do you need?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 148



19. Is any member of your household currently on the housing register?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 149

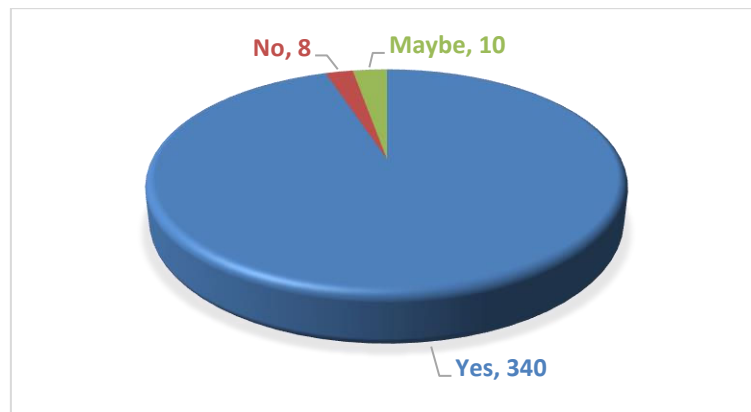


- 2 of the 3 'yes' respondents added that they have been on the register for 2 years.

PART 5 – ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE, AND ACCESS TO NATURE

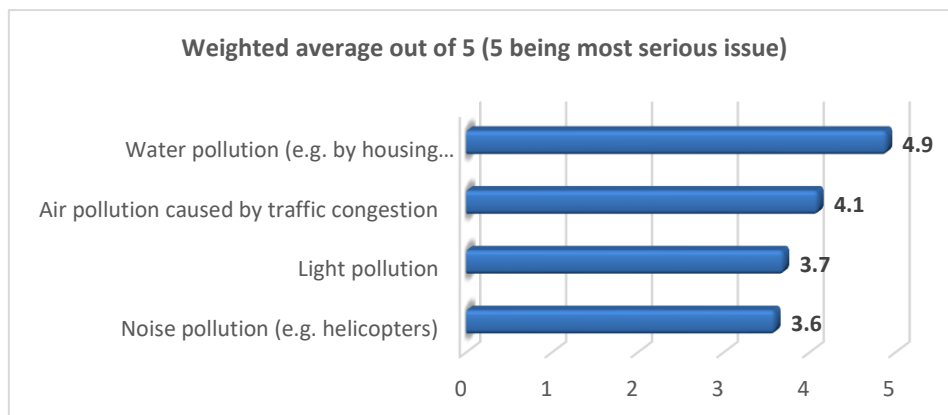
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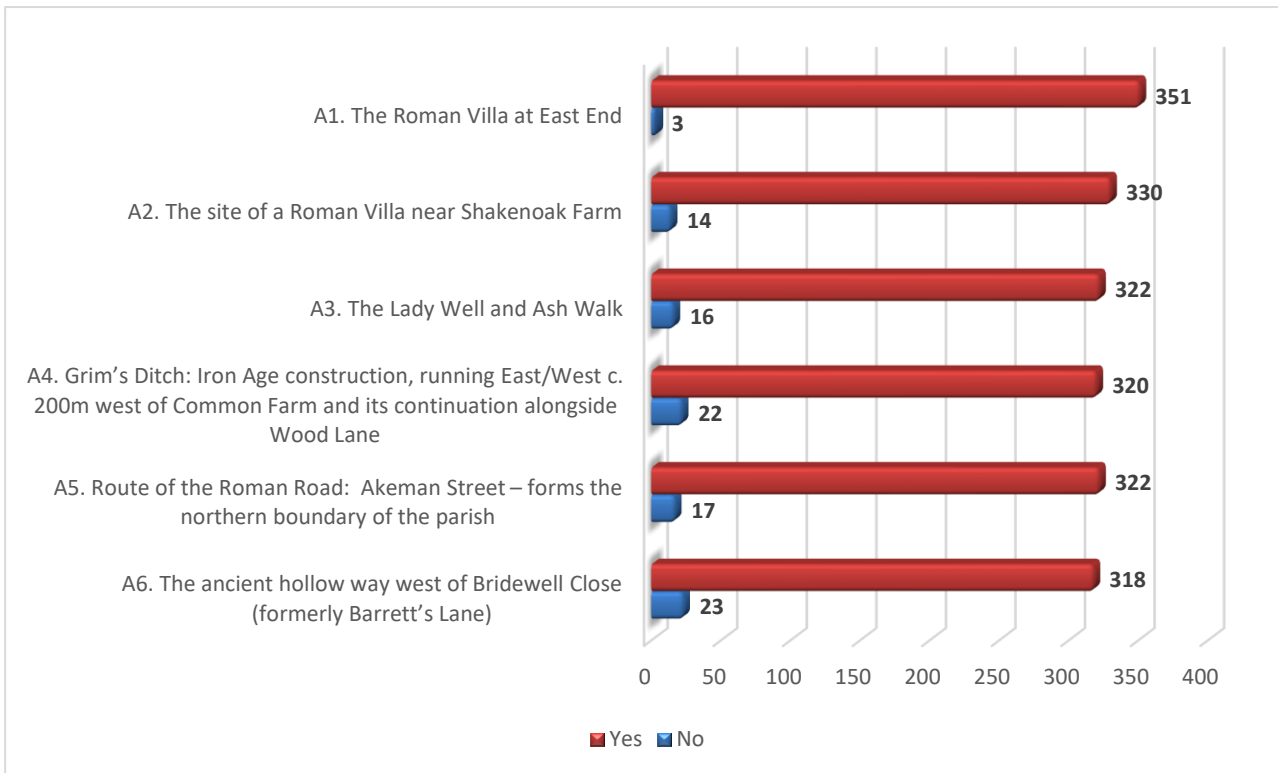
21. How serious do you consider the following pollution issues, on a scale of 1-5: 1 = not serious at all, 5 = very serious?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 359



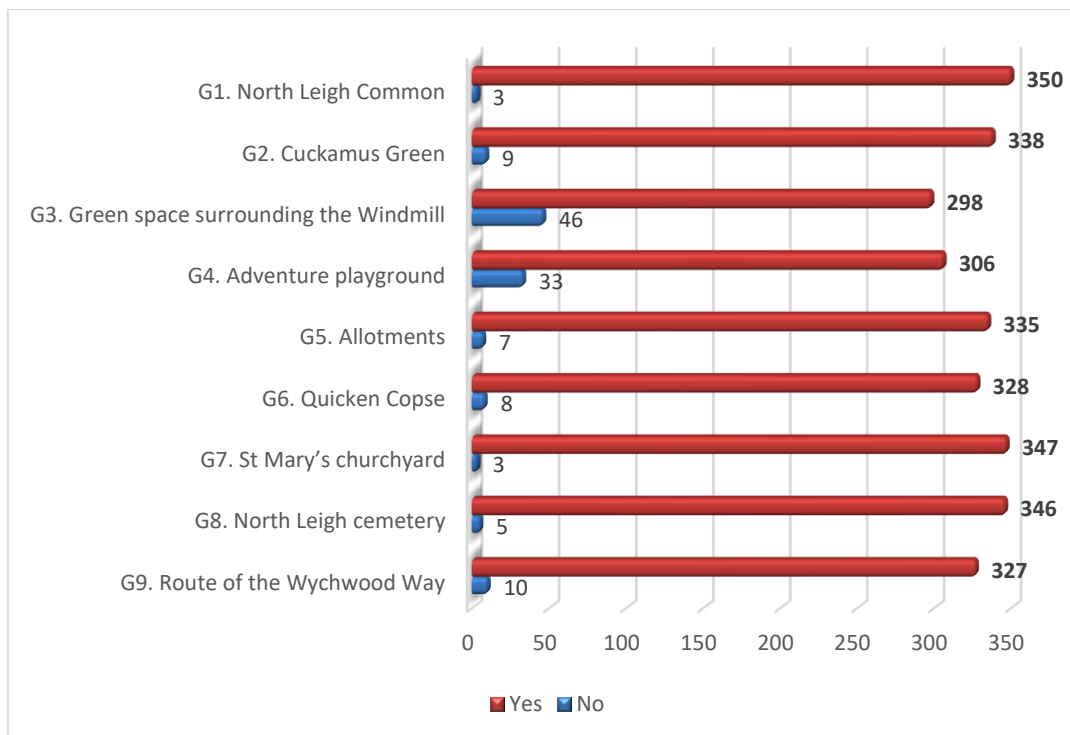
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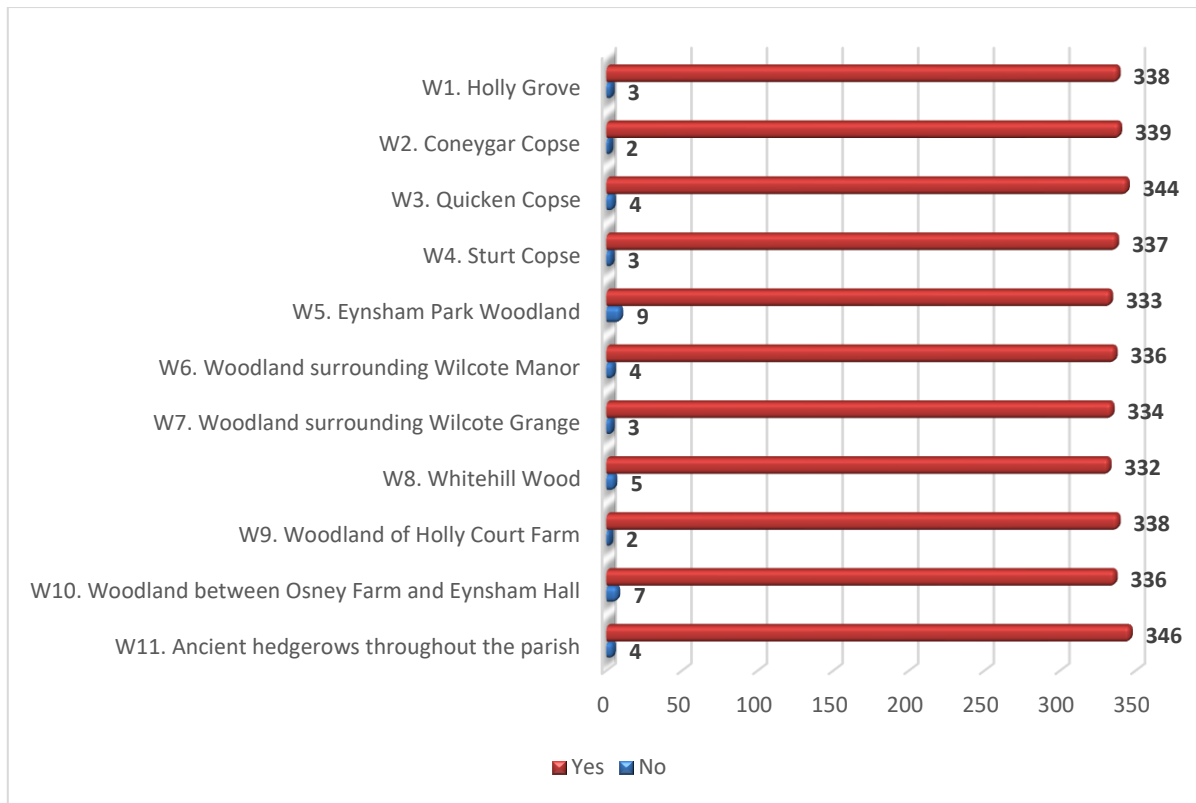
23. Do you agree that the following green spaces or public rights of way should be protected from development?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 354



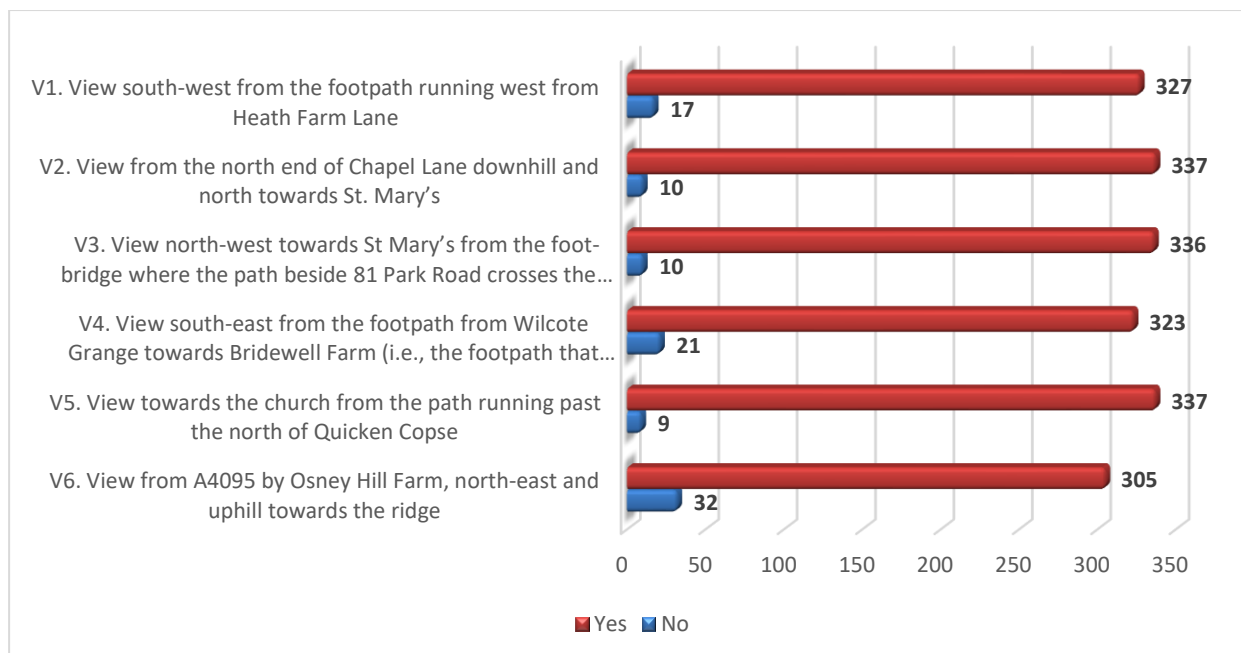
24. Do you agree that the following woodlands should be protected from development?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 355



25. Do you agree that the following Key Views should be protected from development?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 348



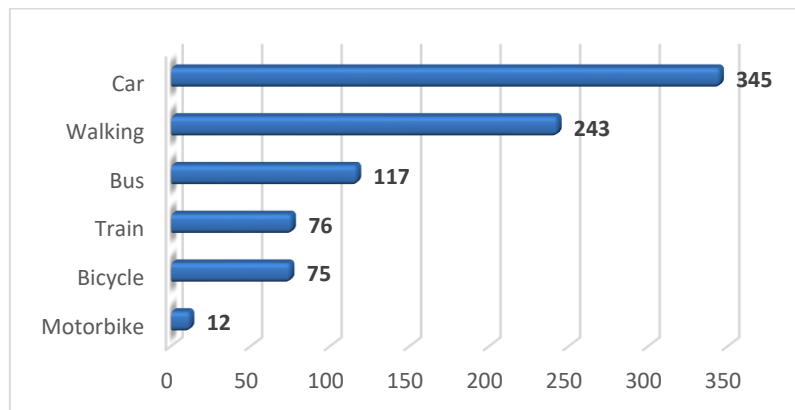
Other Key View suggestions (47 respondents):
View from Green Lane across to church
View from Green Lane/Bridewell Close towards Wilcote
View from Green Lane/Bridewell Close across to Church and towards Wilcote
View from rear of Green Lane to Wilcote
View from Bridewell Close towards church
View from footpath at top of Green Lane northwards towards St Mary's Church and towards Stonesfield and northwest towards Wilcote
Views top of Green Lane from the footpath down the valley and church and across surrounding farmland
View towards the church from the top of Green Lane
View from stile at top of Green Lane down towards St Mary's
View of church from land behind 89-99 Park Road
View from the road between 81 and 89 Park Road - when the field is maintained the distant hills can be seen and enjoyed from the pavement, this is one area left along Park Road where the countryside comes right up to the road, it is a key feature of the village and a real asset.
View of St Mary's Church and beyond from back of Park Road
View from East End towards LH/Combe/North Leigh
View from East End towards LH/Combe/North Leigh
View from East End to Abelwood
View from East End over Abel Wood towards Long Hanborough, Combe and Stonesfield
Anywhere from East End especially towards Combe/Evenlode valley
East End to Millwood End/Combe/Stonesfield/Long Hanborough
Views from the woods at East End towards Combe and river
No views mentioned in East End! Fields across to the woods off the main road and at the end of the green needs to be protected from development.
Views west from Common Road
View from Common Road towards west and southwest
View from A4095 from Common Road up to Park Road
View from Cuckamus Land and Common Road towards Witney
View across fields and woodlands from rear of houses on west side of Common Road
Views along the west side of Common Road. Views of the church from the field between New Yatt Road and Bridewell Close.
Northwest from the point where Green Lane joins New Yatt Road, just north of the Woodman
View from footpath between Elmside and Woodlands (junction of New Yatt Road/Green Lane)
View towards New Yatt from Masons Grove
View from New Yatt Road/Green Lane northwest to northeast
Land South of New Yatt Road from footpath across field down to New Yatt Road and beyond
View from New Yatt Road across valley in all directions
View from the bridleway between Field farm and Bridewell looking northwest towards Bridewell and Wilcot
View from top of field behind Bridewell Close (includes Quicken Copse). View towards Field Farm from driveway that runs alongside St Mary's Church.
View from the green to the north

View southwest from Akeman Road
View of windmill from Mason's Arms. View from Woodman over fells to church.
The one remaining field directly behind Ladywell Close
The field before v3 - the anticipation of the next field is fantastic
View travelling west on A4095 to Madely Park
Fields at back of Windmill Close
View from Lower Ridings farm track looking across to Stonesfield. View from road between White Hill and East End across the valley towards Stonesfield and Combe.
View from footpath to Parrots Hill Farm - this has already been affected by tree planting which could have been done in a better way to keep view
Views to Grimms Ditch and towards The Ridgeway from North Leigh
View across Evenlode from path to Roman Villa
Leave the fields in the middle of North Leigh alone
NO MORE NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT! Therefore, all views and land will be protected.

PART 6 – ROADS, TRANSPORT, AND MOVEMENT

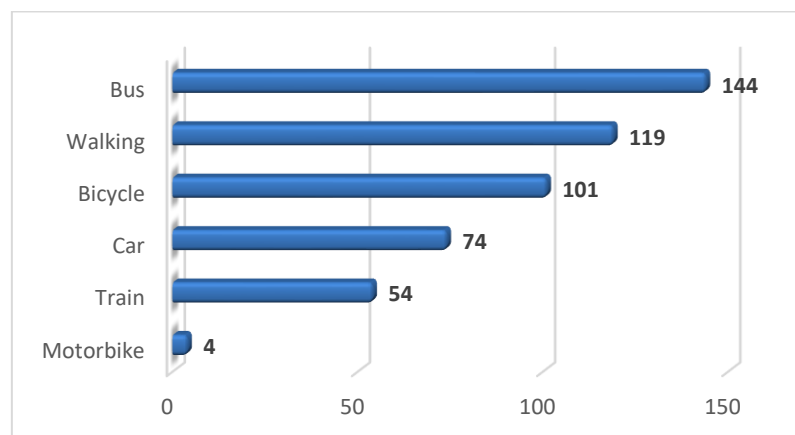
26. What forms of transport does your household REGULARLY use?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 352



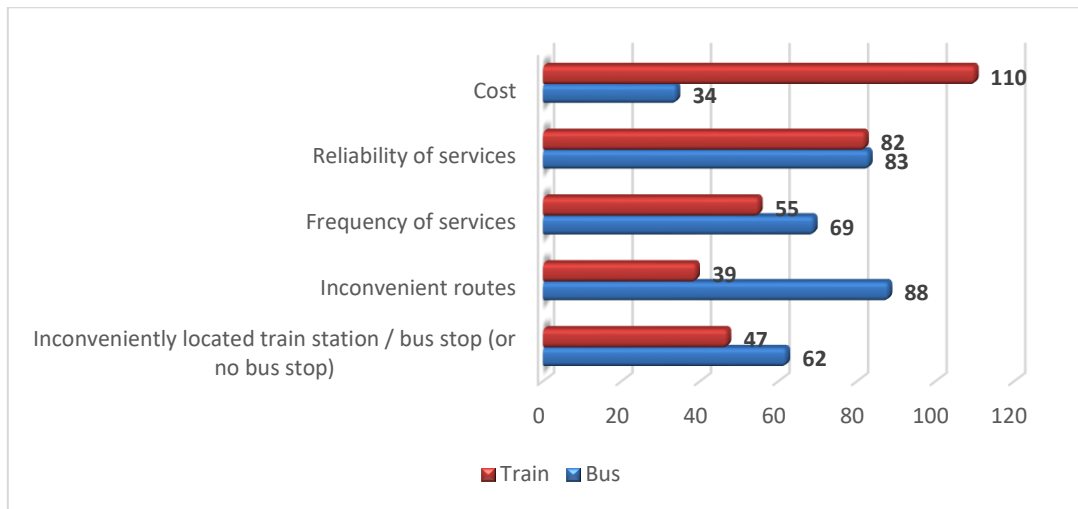
27. Which of the following methods of transport would you like to make use of more often for daily activities?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 304



28. If applicable, what prevents you using the bus or train more?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 244

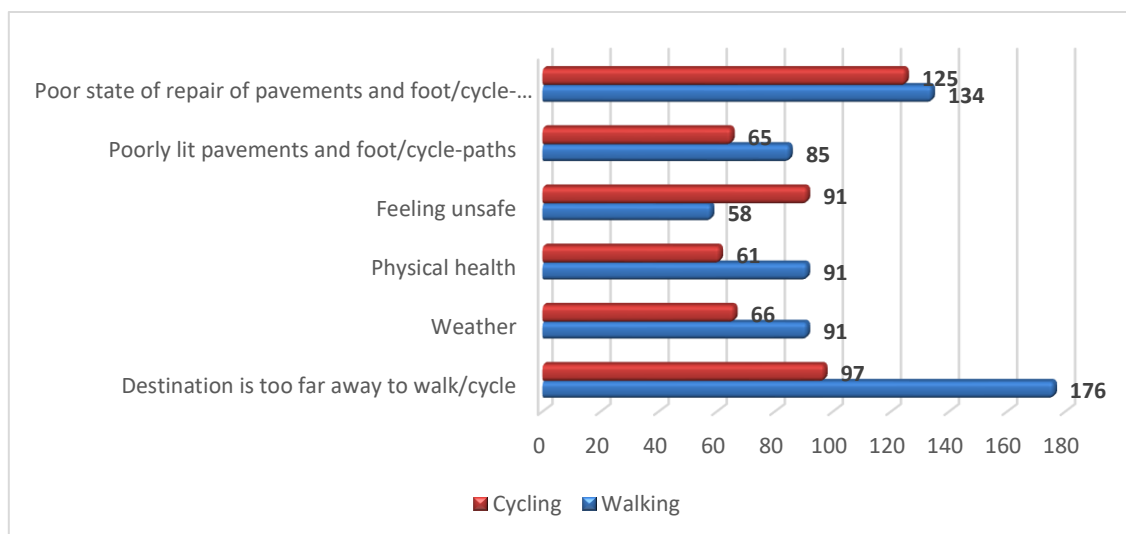


Other (49 respondents, 52 total comments):

Car more convenient	6	Not enough car parking at train station	6
No bus service in East End	6	Bus journey time too slow	5
Lack of integration between bus and train services	5	Too much stuff to carry on public transport	5
Old age/ poor health/ lack of mobility	5	Disabled	3
S7 service too unreliable	2	Need a bus to the JR	1
Would like a bus stop at the end of Boddington Lane	1	Poor OCC road policy impacts bus travel	1
Bus timetables are difficult to read	1	Keep £2 bus fare	1
Public transport doesn't always go to our destination	1	Public transport isn't suitable for our commuting times	1
Train station is a car ride away	1	Time poor	1

29. If applicable, what prevents you walking or cycling more?

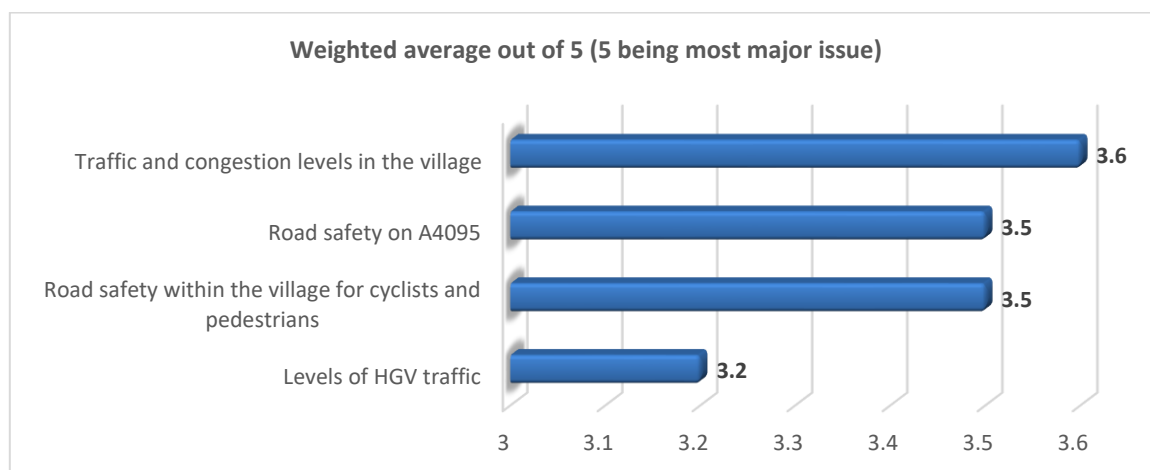
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 307



Other (41 respondents, 49 total comments):			
Poor state of roads/ potholes	7	Takes too long/ impractical	5
Speeding traffic	3	No safe footpath or cycle path in/out of East End	3
Cars parked on pavements	2	Pavements too narrow	2
Cycle paths too narrow	2	Lack of good safe cycle paths	2
No cycle path/ unfinished cycle path to Witney	2	Cycle path to Witney completely unmaintained and dangerous	1
Don't like my children using cycle path from North Leigh to Madley Park	1	Cycle paths not maintained	1
Poor design of cycle paths	1	Incomplete cycle path past village on A4095	1
All uphill on the way home	1	Lack of decent footpaths	1
No footpath to New Yatt	1	Footpaths not always joined up	1
Pavements uneven	1	Flooding of footpaths	1
Public rights of way in poor state	1	Make pavements less sloped for wheelchairs	1
Few circular routes	1	No footpath of cycle path away from the village	1
Poor maintenance of road edges	1	Lack of street lighting in East End	1
Lighting at night	1	As a female, I'm getting shouted at anti-socially almost every time I leave the house	1
Poor mobility	1	Disability	1

30. What do you think about the following road and traffic issues within North Leigh parish, on a scale of 1-5: 1 = very minor issue, 5 = very major issue?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 348



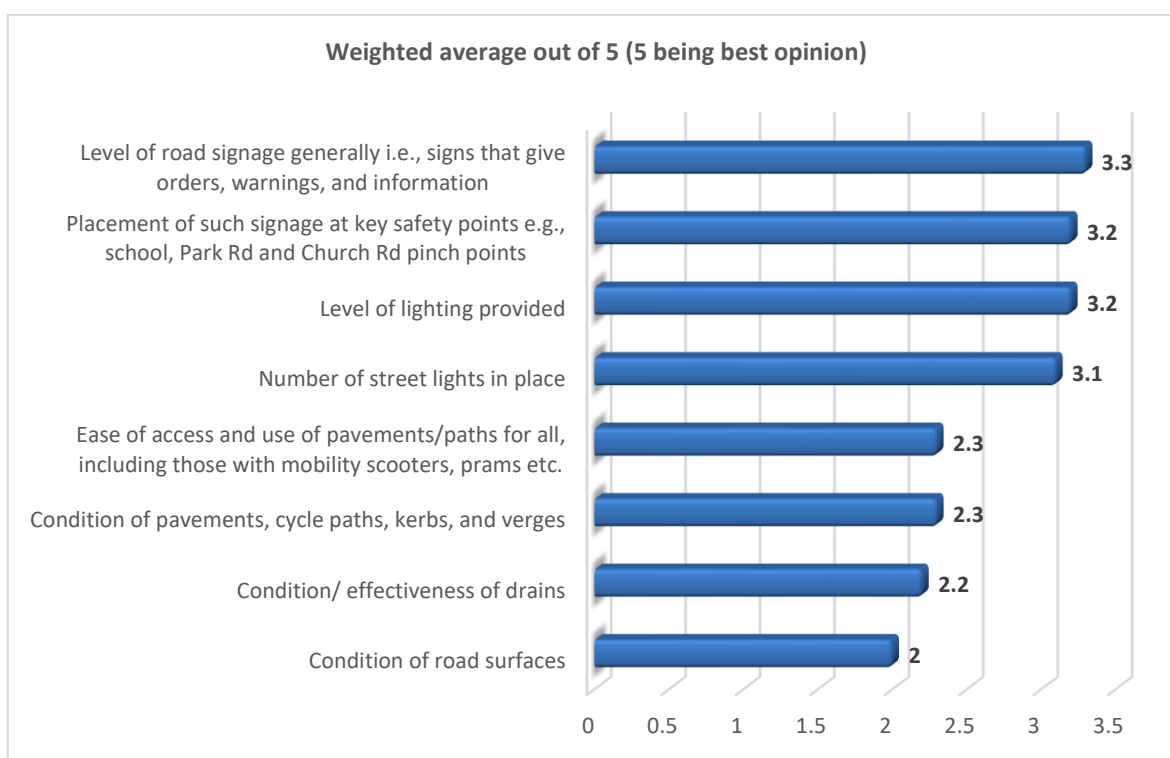
Other issues (70 respondents, 88 total comments):			
Too many large buses going through village/through tight spaces/up on pavements	10	Inconsiderate parking on Park Road/ outside school especially at school times	9
Inconsiderate parking generally, including on pavements and parking on roads when you have a driveway	9	Congestion/heavy traffic caused by new building and development	6

Speeding traffic in general	3	20mph speed limit would be better	3
Speeding traffic on Park Road, including parents on school run	3	Speeding motorcycles on A4095	2
Speeding on New Yatt Road	2	Speeding on Common Road	2
Parked cars on Common Road	2	Lack of foot and cycle paths	2
Foot and cycle paths needed on A4095	1	A4095 needs roundabout at all junctions	1
A4095/Boddington Lane junction is dangerous	1	Mason's Arms junction is dangerous	1
Standardise speed limit on A4095	1	A4095 needs 40mph speed limit	1
Lower speed limit from 50-40mph on Cuckoo Lane to Common Road	1	Traffic cutting corner on New Yatt Road turning right into Common Road	1
A4095 needs turning lane in East End	1	Reduce speed limit on A4095 near East End turning	1
Have width restriction in East End	1	East End used as ratrun	1
East End forgotten about again	1	Poor condition of New Yatt Road to Witney	1
Potholes on New Yatt Road	1	Need footpath from North Leigh to New Yatt	1
Blind corner by Windmill House on Park Road	1	Verges need to be cut back to allow for better visibility	1
Bottleneck between top of Church Road and Bridewell Close	1	Speed of cyclists on Church Road	1
Heavy traffic on Park Road	1	Heavy traffic on Common Road	1
HGV damage to Park Road, Common Road and New Yatt Road	1	More HGVS would be a problem	1
Parking congestion near hall	1	Inconsiderate parking by builders	1
Open High Street to ease congestion	1	Estelle Manor minibus causes issues	1
Need mini roundabout at junction to Estelle Manor entrance	1	Speed limit should be 30mph at Estelle Manor junction, and speed cameras	1
Cycle path needs to join up between North Leigh and Long Hanborough	1	Cycle path needed between two entrances to North Leigh	1
No longer feels rural	1	Pollution	1
Deterioration of road safety recently	1		

31. What is your opinion of the road, pavement, and cycle path infrastructure, on a scale of 1-5:

1 = very poor, 5 = very good.

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 350



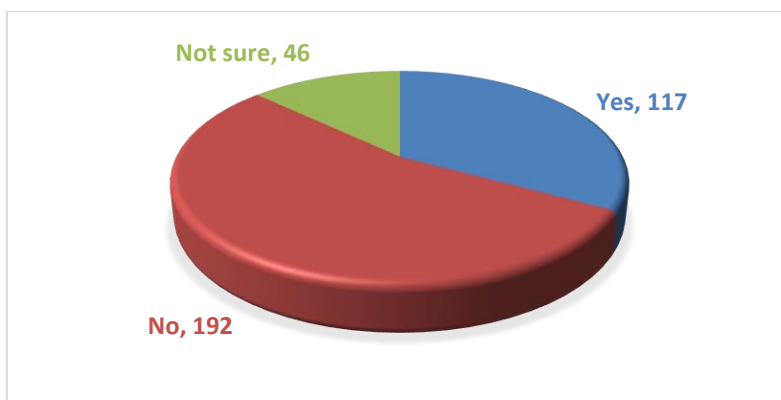
Other issues (51 respondents, 63 total comments):

Overgrowth need to be cut back – obstructing signage and pavements	8	Cars parking on pavements	6
Path through village is too narrow	2	Drains need to be cleaned regularly	2
Need new/extended cycle path on A4095	2	Cyclists tend to use road not paths	2
Too many 20mph signs	2	20mph signs should be fitted onto existing furniture	1
Hopefully 20mph blanket speed limit will be in place soon	1	Some areas have too much signage, others have too few	1
Too many signs in bad positions	1	Too many signs for new developments	1
Signs need cleaning	1	No signage to adventure playground	1
Pinch point on New Yatt Road – signage not suitably positioned	1	Pinch point outside Providence Cottage – signage and markings in wrong place	1
Pinch point west of Woodman – visibility poor	1	Lack of safety at crossing by Woodman Pub	1
Signage around school is poor	1	School should have timed/flashing warning signs	1
School needs safe crossing	1	Zebra crossing between school and playground and hall and library	1
Double yellow lines by school entrance	1	Parking terrible in general	1
Parking by corner of Park Road between two bus stops	1	Road markings need regular refreshing	1

Large buses damaging roads	1	Large trucks damaging roads	1
No warning of road closures is problem	1	Roads need major attention not just patching up	1
Not enough maintenance of pathways	1	Cycle paths/pavements need cleaning	1
Rain often brings gravel to surface of cycle paths which is dangerous	1	Need drop kerb for cycle path to Cuckoo Lane for new P&R	1
Need more secure cycle path down to Madley Park	1	Need safe pavement to walk from East End to A4095	1
Kerbs are terrible	1	Uneven surface on Common Road	1
Too much dog poo, need extra bin on Church Road	1	Smell of sewage outside Mason's Arms and Manx Cottage	1
Church Road street lighting	1	Would prefer no street lights	1
Would prefer fewer street lights and switched on less	1	Street lights should be switched off after 11pm	1
Good when it was built but not suitable for current traffic	1	Balance needed between safety and respect for countryside	1

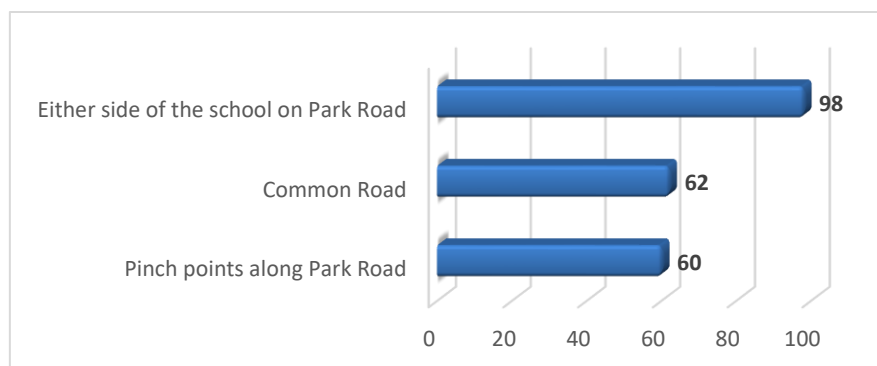
32. Do you think traffic calming measures e.g. rumble strips, speed humps, should be introduced at key points in the parish?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 355



33. If you answered 'yes' to the previous question, where do you think traffic calming measures should be introduced?

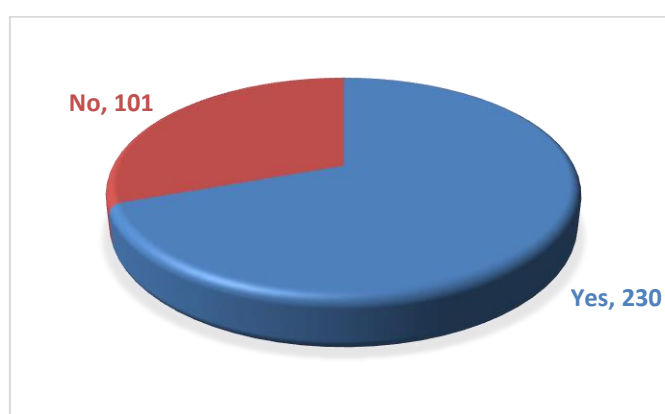
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 133



Other locations (34 respondents, 34 total comments):			
New Yatt Road	12	In East End	7
Church Road	2	Near church	2
Windmill Road	2	Enforce those already in place	2
Parking restrictions outside school	2	School crossing	1
Coming into New Yatt	1	By Woodman pub	1
Speed humps in East End	1	Speed humps cause more congestion	1

34. From the feedback obtained at the Neighbour Hood Plan community event it is considered that there is a lack of suitable parking in the parish. Do you agree?

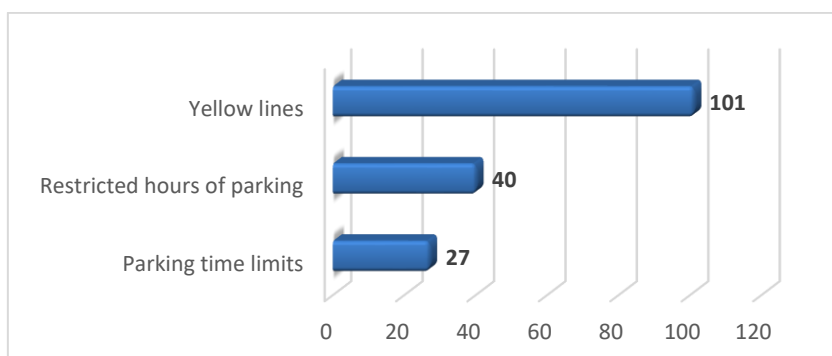
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 331



Areas where there is insufficient parking/ a parking problem (164 respondents, 313 total comments):			
By school	84	By Memorial Hall	71
Park Road	37	Common Road	17
By shop	17	Outside pubs	17
By post office	15	Windmill Road	14
By library	11	New Yatt Road	5
By church	5	By gospel chapel/hall	4
Estelle Manor staff parking on roads	3	Top of Park Road on bend near Estelle Manor	1
End of Park Road before entering A4095	1	Church Road	1
Akeman Road	1	Woodside/Park Close/Park Road area	1
Road between school and hall	1	Between Windmill House and school	1
Village centre	1	North Leigh Common	1
Bus stops	1	Turner Hall	1
Allotments	1	Bluebell Gardens	1

35. If you believe there should be parking restrictions, do you agree with the following suggestions, or have any of your own?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 142



Other (23 respondents, 25 total comments):			
Stop/restrict parking outside school	7	Stop people parking on pavements	2
Introduce resident parking permits	2	Better policing of parking	2
Make those who have drives use them	2	No restrictions	2
Encourage walking to school	1	Yellow lines along Common Road	1
Parking is issue due to lack of parking for houses in some parts of village	1	Have limited restrictions in dangerous positions	1
Need less traffic going through village	1	Add more parking spaces	1
People need to park according to road conditions	1	Commuters parking in village all day and working elsewhere is increasing	1

36. Do you have any other suggestions about how to alleviate the parking problems?

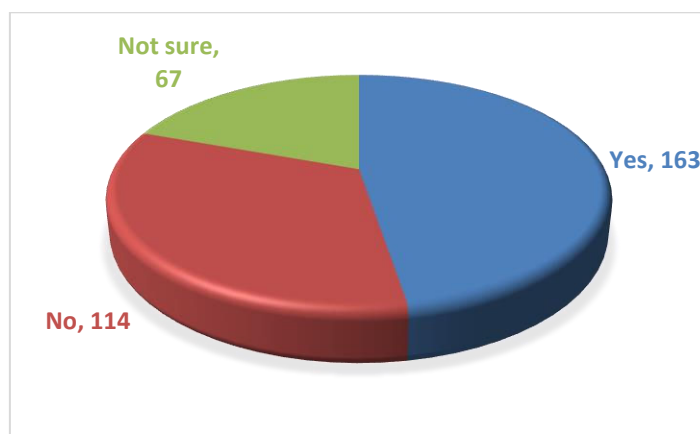
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 104

Suggestions (101 respondents, 118 total comments):			
No more development	14	Encourage people to use their one driveways for parking (fines/penalties)	11
Stop/restrict parking outside school	8	Encourage children to walk to school	7
Estelle Manor staff parking in village and getting minibus is an issue	5	Build a car park / more off-road parking	5
Stop people parking on pavements (fines/penalties)	4	Future developments must include sufficient off-street parking	4
Repurpose land on Windmill Road as potential car park	3	Repurpose land leading to allotments as potential car park	3
Better use of school car park outside school hours	3	Don't give permission for people to convert garages	3
Ensure better foot and cycle paths	3	Allow people to convert gardens into driveways	2
More parking for the school	2	Zebra crossing for the school	2
Cycle racks outside school	2	Promote walking / discourage short car journeys	2

School park and ride from Witney	1	Use of car park in Windmill Road for school at peak times	1
School drop-off only via car park	1	Restrictions on who can park outside school and hall	1
Parking bays outside village hall	1	Re-site shop/post office to area where parking can be provided	1
Parish to purchase wasteland opposite school for car parking use	1	Parish to purchase land near school/ shop for car parking use	1
Make use of land opposite park on Park Road for car parking	1	Repurpose play area on Park Road as car park	1
Possible car park down New Yatt Road	1	Possible car park at entrance of Park Road	1
Central parking for community events	1	Encourage people to use park and ride	1
One way system: Common Road – A4095 – Park Road	1	One way system along Park Road	1
New developments should have communal car park and charge visitors	1	New developments should have adequate parking for visitors	1
New developments should provide green spaces as well as parking	1	Don't want to lose green spaces for car parks	1
Fence around green spaces and outside properties on Common Road	1	Any space should have a P sign for visitors	1
Prevent parking in bus stops	1	No parking in narrow roads	1
More consideration of others when parking	1	Dropped kerbs for social housing at top of Park Road	1
Double yellow lines of blind bends/ corners	1	Double yellow lines at junction of Common Road and A4095	1
Traffic lights on A4095 for Park Road	1	Roads could be widened using publicly owned verges to create more parking	1
Slow traffic	1	Better policing of parking	1
No parking restrictions – would make it harder for residents to park	1	Unfair to impose restrictions as public transport not good enough	1
Not applicable to East End	1		

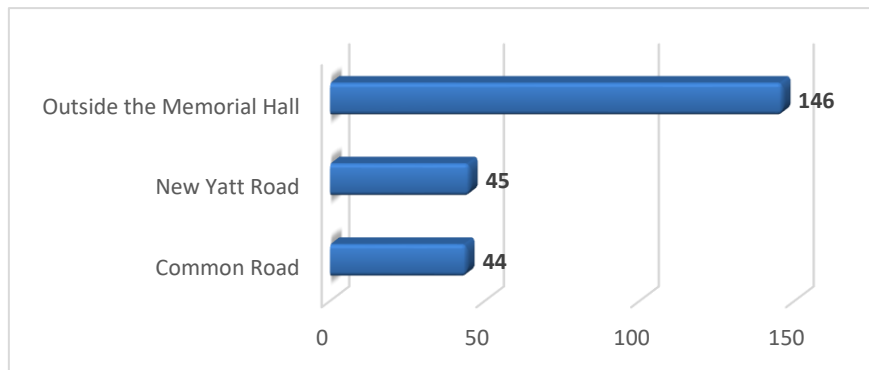
37. Would you support putting pedestrian crossings in the parish?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 344



38. If you answered 'yes' to the previous question, where would you like to see pedestrian crossings?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 165



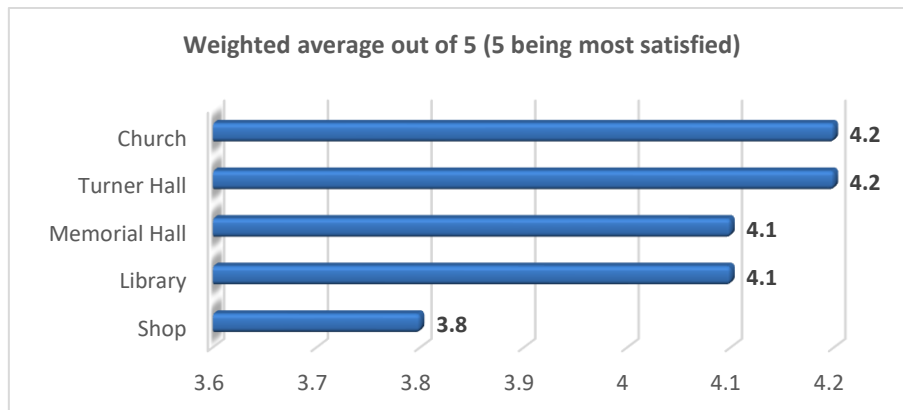
Other (21 respondents, 22 total comments):

By school	13	Outside Woodman pub	2
Park Road near bus stop	2	Park Road across from bus stop before school	1
Park Road on bend with no path	1	Outside shop	1
By football club	1	East End	1

PART 7 – LOCAL AMENITIES

39. How satisfied are you with the following community buildings and services in North Leigh, on a scale of 1-5: 1 = not satisfied at all, 5 = very satisfied?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 331



Church – ideas for improvement/change (11 respondents, 11 total comments):

Improve maintenance/ upkeep	2	More consultation with residents	2
Appeal to younger people and children	2	Remove pews and have flexible seating	1
Fewer communion services	1	Conduct annual tours	1
Develop other uses, e.g. concerts and exhibitions	1	Shame church on Chapel Lane is turning into something else	1

Turner Hall – ideas for improvement/change (11 respondents, 12 total comments):			
Better management/ maintenance	2	Slightly remote location	1
More parking	1	Footpath access	1
Replace carpark surface (slippery)	1	Better signage	1
Doorbell camera for security	1	Change flooring to sweepable floor	1
New window on north side	1	Improve audio	1
Better solution for rubbish disposal	1		

Memorial Hall – ideas for improvement/change (36 respondents, 43 total comments):			
More parking	22	Needs better location	3
Improve toilet access	2	Improve ventilation/ windows	2
Bigger or better kitchen facilities	2	More outdoor/green space	2
Notices/pinboards for events	2	Have drop-in sessions for socialising	1
Offer shorter booking slots	1	Introduce online booking	1
Air conditioning	1	Clearer signage	1
Party hiring expensive	1	Too many dance bookings	1
Under-used	1		

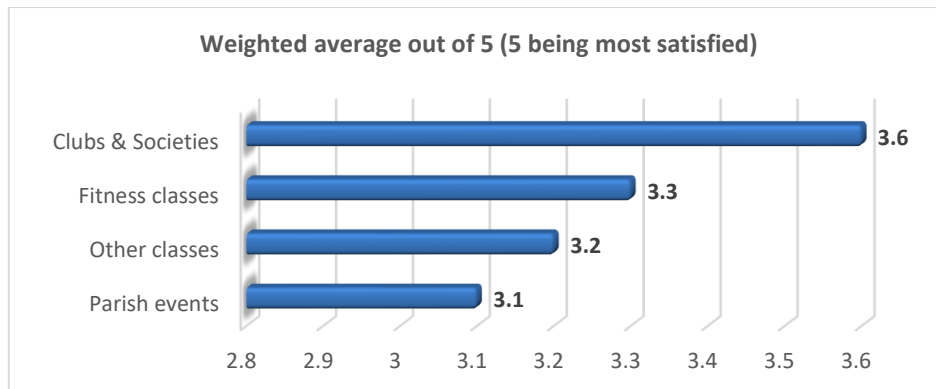
Library – ideas for improvement/change (16 respondents, 17 total comments):			
Improved (longer) opening hours	4	More parking	3
Move to a site with adequate parking	1	Move to school	1
Swap library with shop	1	Expand/ make bigger	1
Invest in staff	1	Self-service and access out of hours	1
Improve advertising of events	1	There's a library in Witney	1
A bright and inviting space	1	Offers lots of activities	1

Shop – ideas for improvement/change (78 respondents, 86 total comments):			
Too small	42	More parking	8
Less crowded shelves/ less clutter	6	Need a co-op type small supermarket	5
Offer healthier items	5	Move to another location, e.g. larger purpose-built site with more parking	4
Offer more local produce	3	Sell less alcohol	3
Poor access for buggies/ wheelchairs etc	2	Swap shop with library / move to front of building	2
Take over Woodman's pub	1	New developments should include provision for a larger shop	1
Better stock maintenance	1	More food and stationery	1
Add outdoor seated area	1	Invest in local shops and pubs	1

Other – ideas for improvement/change (18 respondents, 18 total comments):			
Windmill – make better use of it, restore it, develop as a communal space maybe with café/shop	13	Make school playing fields available in school holidays	1
Set up youth centre	1	Have a meeting place in East End	1
School	1	Mason's Arms	1

40. How satisfied are you with the types of activities offered in the parish, on a scale of 1-5: 1 = not satisfied at all, 5 = very satisfied?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 256

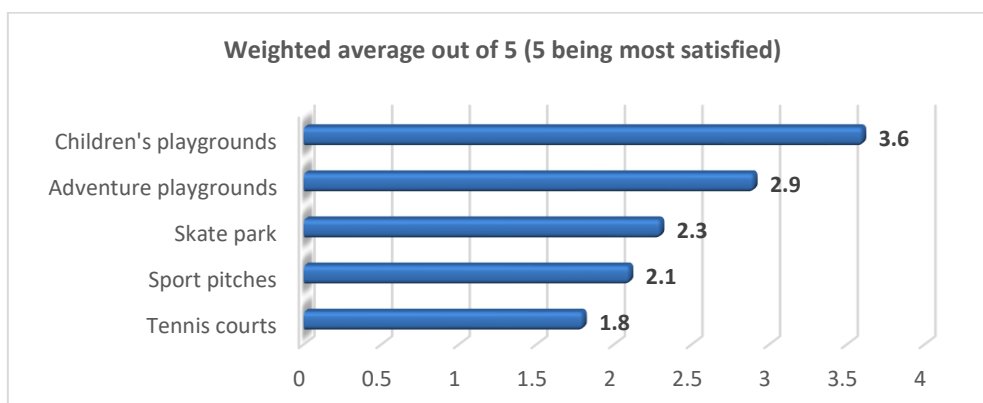


Other ideas for activities (32 respondents, 42 total comments):

More community events in general (like previous scarecrow trail or picnic)	6	Village fete/ carnival	4
Bring back village newsletter / a clear place to find out what's happening	3	More fitness classes in the village itself and in the evenings	3
Dance fitness class	2	(Summer) music festival	2
Craft sales	1	Yard and jumble sales	1
Social club	1	Music club	1
Book club	1	Debates	1
Pickleball	1	Model making	1
Botanical art	1	Herbal medicine	1
Rural crafts	1	Bobbin lace group	1
English country dancing	1	More clubs for children	1
Baby/ play group	1	Don't know what's available	1
Not much suitable happening for those who work full-time	1	Memorial Hall too expensive	1
Memorial Hall too hot	1	Memorial Hall lacks parking	1
Football club access is dangerous	1	East End needs a community facility	1

41. How satisfied are you with the following outdoor recreation opportunities in North Leigh, on a scale of 1-5: 1 = not satisfied at all, 5 = very satisfied?

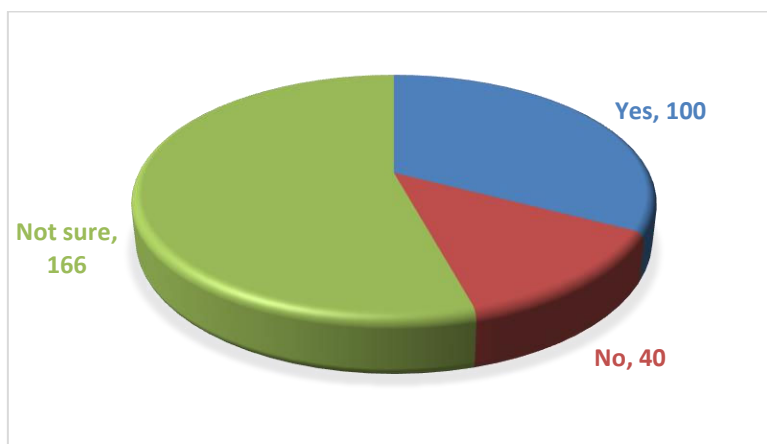
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 258



Other ideas for recreational opportunities (41 respondents, 58 total comments):			
Football pitch (on village side)	7	Cricket pitch	5
Tennis courts	5	Improve and upgrade all play spaces in general	4
Improve and upgrade skate park – could be used for children	4	Adventure playground wasted area, run down, needs improvement	4
Park next to school not well thought out – lower hedge, fix fence, better landscaping and layout of equipment	3	Build playground in green space at Windmill (and re-purpose existing playground)	3
Better maintenance – clean areas, remove litter etc.	2	Outdoor gym	2
Facilities for teenagers	2	Facilities for children over 5	1
Community park in area by skate park	1	Community hub near Windmill	1
More recreation space	1	Use school football pitch	1
Flat playing field	1	Fenced exercise area for dogs	1
Pickleball	1	Basketball court	1
Walks	1	Children’s walking group	1
Improve maintenance to public rights of way	1	More seating on the green	1
East End needs a playground	1	East End needs sports pitches	1
Too many small playgrounds – better to have one big one	1	Not happy football pitch is being moved	1

42. Do you feel that outdoor play areas, including the playground and adventure playground, offer safe and well-maintained environments for users?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 306

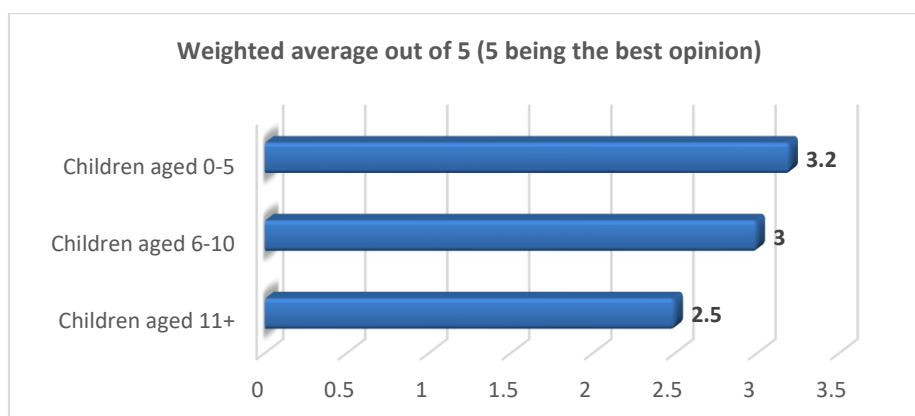


Ideas for improvement (31 respondents, 40 total comments):			
Yes to playground, no to adventure playground	6	Skate park needs improvement with better lighting and made safer	5
Adventure playground needs improvement and cutting back	5	Too much litter	4
Open to vandalism and drug use (especially skate park / adventure playground)	4	Need regular monitoring/ maintenance and general improvement	4

Need better equipment	2	Playground hidden from site / hedge too high	2
Adventure playground too far out	1	Keep safety matting well maintained	1
No parking	1	Need more space	1
Playgrounds need to be age-designated	1	Talk to kids and give them safe space to meet and exercise	1
Sell adventurer playground and use money to build one near Windmill	1	Too much dog mess	1

43. What is your opinion about the facilities on offer for hosting activities for young people in the parish, for the following age groups, on a scale of 1-5 (this includes both the availability and quality of facilities on offer): 1 = not satisfied at all, 5 = very satisfied?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 198)

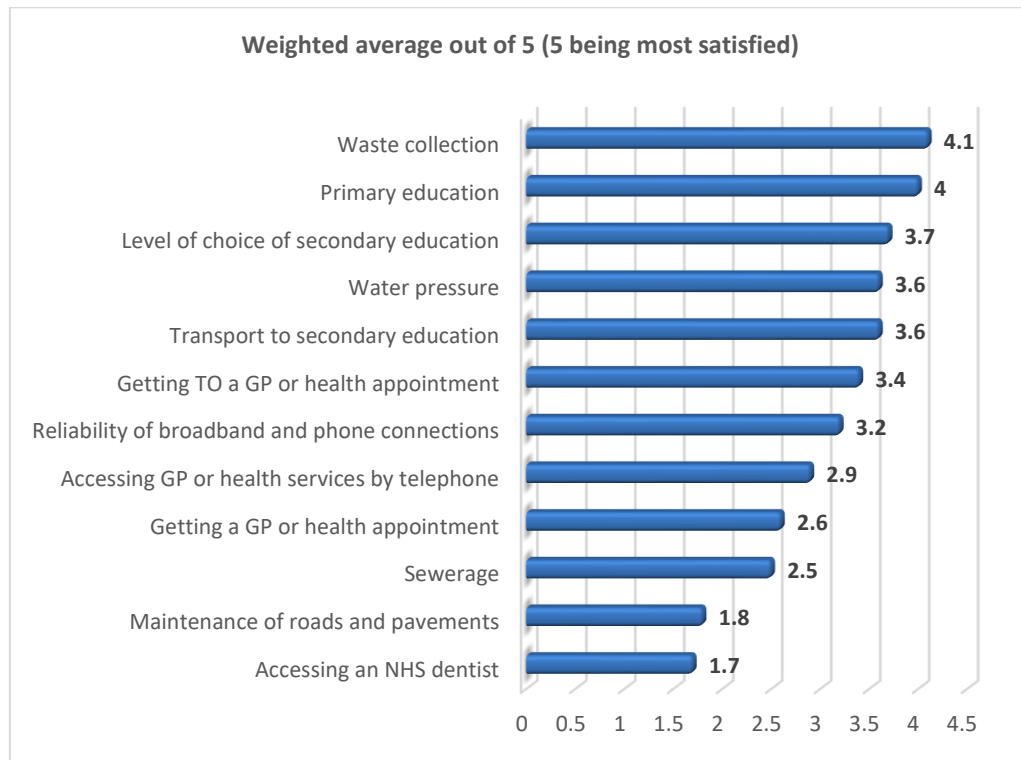


Ideas for improvement (21 respondents, 26 total comments):			
Need football pitch / large flat playing field	6	Redevelop/ upgrade skate park	3
More sports facilities	2	Removal of access to Eynsham Hall has removed access to facilities/ pool	2
Baby/playgroups in hall or somewhere walkable	2	Safer activities for older children / adventure playground feels unsafe	2
Central recreation area	1	Purchase land by Windmill and make it closed grass communal area for games	1
Social club	1	Church youth group	1
Outdoor gym	1	Use of school facilities	
More library clubs for 6-10 yr olds	1	Lucky to have scouts, guides, youth club, dance school etc.	1
Need playground in East End	1		

PART 8 – LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES

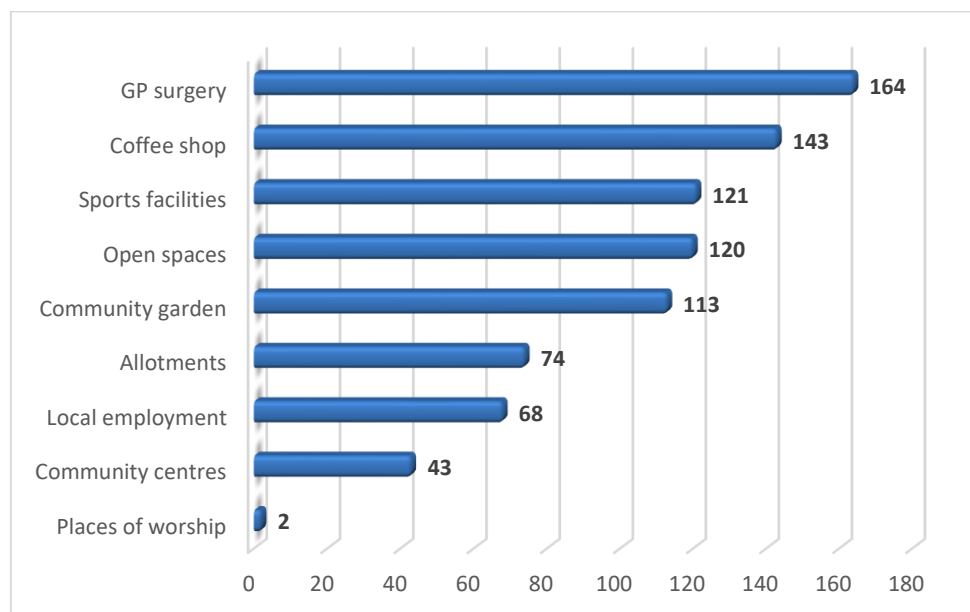
44. How satisfied in general are you with the following infrastructure and services in North Leigh parish, on a scale of 1-5: 1 = not satisfied at all, 5 = very satisfied?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 346



45. Do you think we need more of any of the following types of community facilities and/or opportunities in North Leigh parish?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 283 (848 TOTAL CHOICES)

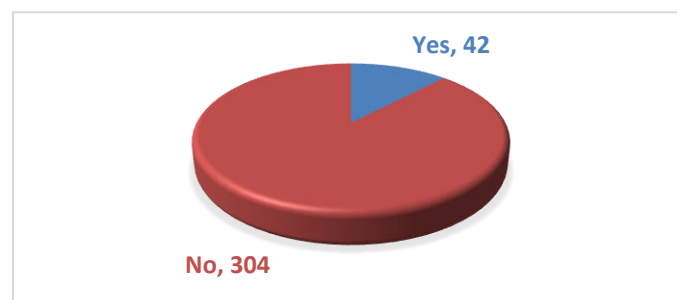


Other (19 respondents, 20 total comments):			
Proper shop / small supermarket	3	Repurpose land at Windmill for communal use	2
Pub / pub that sells good food	2	Social club	1
Clubs for older people, ie, day centre, lunch club	1	Swimming pool	1
Playing field	1	Concern over relocation of football club	1
Fenced secure exercise area for dogs	1	Walking routes	1
Unmown verges to bring back wildflowers	1	Protect existing open spaces	1
New GP surgery now overwhelmed due to more houses being built	1	Process for medication collection locally	1
Local police presence	1	Encourage business parks to expand to bring in more jobs	1

PART 9 – AND JUST BEFORE YOU GO...

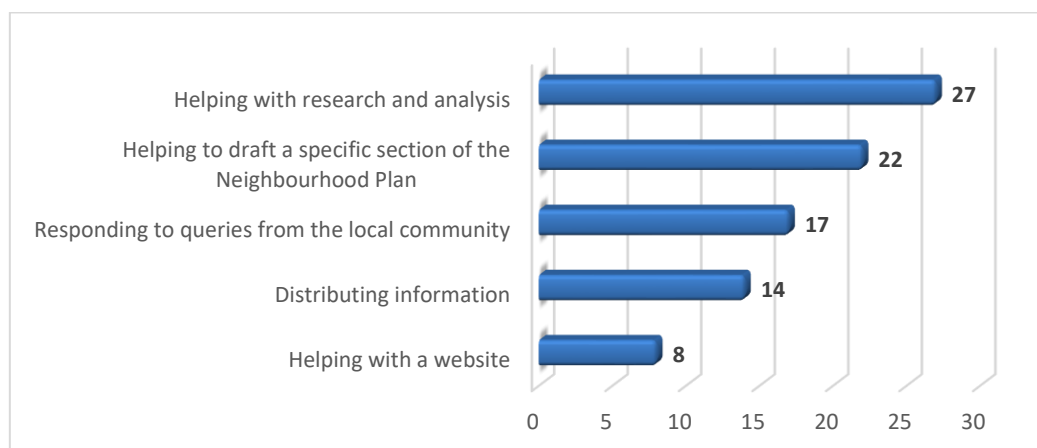
46. Would you be willing to be involved in the preparation of North Leigh Neighbourhood Plan?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 346



47. If you ticked 'yes' to the previous question, which of the following tasks would you be willing to help with?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 44 (88 TOTAL CHOICES)



48. If you would like to get involved, please read the section in the Introduction about our data protection policies and leave your contact details below; a member of the North Leigh Neighbourhood Plan Committee will get in touch.

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 37

A separate list has been compiled