

Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Parish Council Neighbourhood Development Plan



Consultation Statement

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1. Introduction

1.1 This Consultation Statement has been prepared to fulfil the legal obligations of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012. Section 15(2). Part 5 of the Regulations sets out what a Consultation Statement should contain which is:

- details of the persons and bodies who were consulted about the proposed neighbourhood development plan;
- explains how they were consulted;
- summarises the main issues and concerns raised by the persons consulted;
- describes how these issues and concerns have been considered and, where relevant, addressed in the proposed neighbourhood development plan

1.2 Along with other supporting documents, this statement aims to show the quality and effectiveness of the consultation that has informed the plan proposals

1.3 The Neighbourhood Plan has undergone five rounds of community, interested body and statutory consultation as follows

Date	Name	Public	Community Groups	Young People	Business	Interested parties	Statutory Bodies
Feb-March 2015	Designation by SCDC	✓				✓	✓
May-June 2015	Issues and Concerns by questionnaire survey	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Oct 2015	Issues and Concerns Results Feedback by public exhibition	✓	✓	✓			
May 2016	Young Person by face to face survey			✓			
Oct-Nov 2016	Pre- Submission by questionnaire survey and public exhibition	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

For the purposes of these consultations the following definitions apply.

- **Public.**
All people of all ages living or having an interest in the parish.
- **Community Groups.**
The eight community groups with large memberships and who meet regularly.
- **Young People.**
People aged 18 or under who live within the parish.

- Business.
All Businesses that operate or have an interest in the parish.
- Interested Parties.
Largely Public and Local Government bodies.
- Statutory Bodies.
Natural England, Historic England, the Environment Agency, Suffolk Coastal and Heath AONB, Anglian Water.

1.4 The Steering Group consists of two Parish Councillors and five village representatives and meets on an ad-hoc basis at the village hall. Copies of all agendas and minutes of meetings are available on the village web site and the public were welcome to attend. Additionally, Neighbourhood Planning was a monthly standing item on the Parish Council agenda and feedback was regularly reported in the village newsletter.

1.5 Notifications of consultations were published on the village website, by email, in the village newsletter, by hand to remote areas and by posters around the parish.

1.6 The aims of the Neighbourhood Plan consultation process were:

- To involve as much of the community as possible at all stages of the Plan development to ensure that the Plan was informed by the views of local people and other stakeholders.
- To ensure that consultation events took place at critical points in the process where decisions needed to be taken;
- To use a wide a range of approaches and methods of communication and consultation.
- To ensure that results of consultation were fed back to local people on the web site and via the village newsletter.

2. Designation.

2.1 Suffolk Coastal District Council (the Planning Authority for the Parish) undertook the process of designation, inviting comments from the public, interested parties and statutory bodies between 11th Feb 2015 and 25th March 2015. After a small amount of positive feedback designation was approved on 2nd April 2015.

3. Issues and Concerns Questionnaire Survey. (Addenda WwMNDP/01, WwMNDP/02)

3.1 The purpose of this consultation was to establish the perceived nature and character of the parish and to gather information for the construction of Aims and Objectives for the Neighbourhood Plan.

3.2 The time frame for this consultation is as set out below:

Date	Activity.
April 2015	Develop and print a questionnaire to probe many areas of parish life. One questionnaire to be delivered to every household in the parish
April 2015	Develop and print consultation letters for community groups, business and interested parties.
May 1 st – 8 th 2015	Divide parish into 22 delivery areas and brief couriers on their role for delivering questionnaires
May 8 th – 15 th 2015	Deliver or email business and interested party survey letters.
May 20 th – 28 th 2015	Couriers deliver questionnaires.
May 30 th – June 13 th 2015	Questionnaire period. This was extended to June 30 th in some cases.
June 13 th - June 30 th 2015	Questionnaires returned to courier, village hall post office or village hall drop box.
July 1 st - Aug 27 th 2015	Analyse results sub-question by sub-question.
August 28 th 2015	Verification of results and conclusions to be drawn with independent observer.

3.3 The survey feedback was as follows:

- Public.
430 questionnaires delivered, 195 returned.
- Interested Parties.
17 letters delivered, 11 responses
- Business.
41 letters delivered, 8 responses
- Large Community Groups.
8 letters delivered, 6 responses.

3.4 Results. In broad terms the key issues of great importance found from the survey were as follows:

- Scenic beauty, peace and tranquillity and the safe environment of the parish
- Protecting wildlife and biodiversity.
- New housing should be limited in size and quantity
- There is a need for housing for first time buyers and the ageing population.
- Infrastructure of all kinds needs improving
- Facilities, including sport and play, need improving

A full analysis of the results is available on line at <http://wenhaston.onesuffolk.net/wenhaston-with-mells-neighbourhood-plan/neighbourhood-development-plan-documents/neighbourhood-development-plan-process-documents/>

3.5 The data received was interpreted and verified with the help of an independent observer. The results were then used to formulate a Vision Statement and Objectives to take back to the parish for approval.

4. Issues and Concerns Feedback Exhibition (Addendum WwMNDP/10)

4.1 The purpose of this exhibition was to verify that the Aims and Objectives devised by the Steering Group truly reflected the wishes of the parish

4.2 The time frame for this consultation is as set out below:

Date	Activity.
September 2015	Exhibition and consultation day advertised in the village newsletter, on the village web site, by display posters and by hand delivery to remote locations. Free coffee and cakes for attendees. Local business sent email alert.
October 24 th 2015	Exhibition and consultation day. Feedback of all the results of the questionnaire survey were available to view along with Aims and Objective statements. The steering group were on hand to answer questions etc. Feedback about results was via a drop box at the exhibition. Paper copies of results were available for short term loan
Oct -Nov 2015	Results and feedback analysed.

4.3 Over 100 people attended the event with a good deal of verbal and written feedback.

4.4 The analysis of the questionnaire survey and the Aims and Objective statements received overwhelming approval, indicating that the Steering Group were in a position to carry on with drawing up a Neighbourhood Plan. A full analysis of this process is available on line at

<http://wenhaston.onesuffolk.net/wenhaston-with-mells-neighbourhood-plan/neighbourhood-development-plan-documents/neighbourhood-development-plan-process-documents/>

5. Young Person Survey. (Addendum WwMNDP/13)

5.1 It was identified that in our survey work to date, young people were under represented. To gain a fuller picture, under 18's were asked to fill in a short questionnaire about their views and this took place at the youth club and the school bus stop between 1st and 18th May 2016.

5.2 There were 23 responses out of the 55 that we believe to be the population of 8 to 18 year olds in the parish. The results very much confirmed those gathered from the full questionnaire survey.

6. Pre- Submission Survey and Public Exhibition (Addendum WwMNDP/14)

6.1 The purpose of this consultation was to display the pre-submission Plan and to establish that it truly reflected the views and needs of the parish. Furthermore, it was to properly consult with interested parties and statutory bodies so that an overall picture of the quality and suitability of the Plan was gained, from which necessary amendments could be made.

6.2 The time frame for this consultation is as set out below:

Date	Activity.
August 2016	Develop and print a questionnaire to test approval for the policies and strategies in the draft plan
Sept 2016	Advertise consultation on web and in village newsletter.
Sept 23 rd – Sept 30 th 2016	Deliver questionnaire to every household in the parish. Post or email letters to interested parties, business and large community groups. Send or email letter and paper copy of draft plan to statutory bodies and Local Government Officers.
Sept 23 rd 2016	Email business and interested party survey letters.
Oct 1 st – Nov 12 th 2016	Public exhibition at the village hall. Paper copies of plan available to view at three locations in parish and available for short term loan.
Oct 8 th 2016	Consultation day at the village hall. The steering group were on hand to answer questions etc. Additional feedback opportunity about results was via a drop box at the exhibition.
Nov 2016 – Feb 2017	Analyse results and modify plan where necessary
Jan 2017 – Feb 2017	Suffolk Coastal District Council (the Planning Authority) given further opportunity to comment on up-dated plan.

6.3 The survey feedback was as follows:

- Public.
430 questionnaires delivered, 53 returned.
- Interested Parties/statutory bodies.
17 letters delivered, 14 responses
- Business.
41 letters delivered, 1 response

6.4 Results.

The results from the public consultation showed a very high approval rating for the Draft Plan, mostly in the 90% + region. A full analysis of the results is available on line at

<http://wenhaston.onesuffolk.net/wenhaston-with-mells-neighbourhood-plan/neighbourhood-development-plan-documents/neighbourhood-development-plan-process-documents/>

Suffolk County Council and Suffolk Coastal District Council (over two viewings) offered a considerable amount of comments as follows.

Suffolk County Council

Offered generic advice from some departments and ways of rewording to strengthen the Plan. They also provided additional maps and material for inclusion.

Suffolk Coastal District Council

Firstly, suggested restructuring and re-formatting the Plan to have fewer, but larger policies. Also, suggested making a clear distinction between land use policies and community aspiration strategies by separating them into different sections of the plan.

Secondly. Mostly grammar, re-wording policies and clarification/modification of some of the language used to avoid ambiguity.

6.5 Results Statutory Bodies

Suffolk Coast and Heath AONB.

Staff and workload commitments meant that only superficial review of the plan took place and it was given tacit support.

Anglian Water

Two suggestions for modifications to policies/strategies.

Environment Agency.

Unable to provide bespoke comments on the Neighbourhood Plan, but included generic guidance documents.

Historic England.

Suggested some improvement to wording and strengthening the wording of a few policies.

Natural England

Declined to make specific comments on the details of the Plan, but concluded that it was unlikely to have any adverse effects on the natural environment, including designated sites and landscapes.

7. Conclusions

- 7.1 In carrying out our consultations we have endeavoured to maximise community engagement and to respond appropriately to the information gathered. We have used multiple ways of contacting all of the parish and feel that this paid off in terms of response rates. We have used the results of each consultation to inform the next stage of the Plan and to confirm that the previous stages have conformed to the public's view. Additionally, we have welcomed advice and comments from the two Councils and the statutory bodies and incorporated these into the plan.

8. Consultation list.

Contact person/group	Group type
	Haulage Mells (Woolnough)
	Haulage Mells
	Equestrian Centre
Jill Draper	Artist
Peter Draper	Framer
Ruth Macabe	Artist
David Wilkinson	ICT
Helen Durant	Bookbinding
Jason Gairn	Gardener/Handyman
Paul Nolloth	Garage
M and J Rowland	Music Therapy
Tessa Newcomb	Artist
Simon Redsell	Drama
Royston Hammond	Gardener/Handyman
Roddy Edwards	Accountancy
Tim Heaps	Blyth Web
Sue Cooke	Driving Instructor
	Wenhaston Tiling
Halesworth Golf Club	Golf/Leisure
David Baker	Plumber
Beverley Boughtwood	Beauty Therapy
Sarah	Novelty Cakes
Jane Peters	Post Mistress
Becky Canham	ICT
Crispin Chalker	Tree Surgeon
Liz	Wottens
David Cox	Carpenter and Builder
Alan Stammers	Car Maintenance
Alan Musk	
Carl	Star Inn, Public House
Adam and Babara Gill	Carpet cleaners
Elizabeth Hill	Accountancy
Scott Baxter	Plumber
Roger Ives	Builder
Sandy and Thomas Horsley	Graphic Design and printmaker
Desborough, Church Farm	
Low Farm	
Valley Farm	
Watermill Farm	
Heath Farm	
Bartholemew Farm	
Laurel Farm	
Blythburgh Pigs	

Trish Gower	Cottages and Caravan
Jim Wright	Lodges and Caravan Site
Southwold Railway Trust	Railway
Vale Farm	Cottages
	Bramfield and Thorington PC
	Blythburgh PC
	Holton and Blyford PC
	Halesworth Town Council
	Suffolk County Council
	Highways and Transport
	Education
	Surface Water Management
	Social Care
	Archaeological Service
	Libraries
	Waste Disposal
	Fire and Rescue
	Rights of Way
	Arboriculture
	Head of Environmental Services
	Planning Team
	Historic Buildings Conservation Officer
	Suffolk Coast and Heath AONB
	Suffolk Wildlife Trust
	Anglian Water
	Environment Agency
	English Heritage/Historic England
	Natural England
	Wenhaston primary school
	Wenhaston WI
	Wenhaston Commons Group
	Wenhaston Sports Club
	Wenhaston Energy Support Group
	Village Hall
	Parochial Church Council
	Gardeners Club
	Blyth Wood

ADDENDA

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Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Parish Council

Neighbourhood Development Plan



Issues and Concerns Survey

30th May to 13th June, 2015

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Abstract

Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Parish council has decided to undertake the process of producing a Neighbourhood Development Plan, as defined in the Localism Act 2011. This plan is to create a vision for the development and use of land within Wenhaston with Mells from 2015 to 2030 related to the views of the residents of the area.

The initial stage of the Neighbourhood Development Plan process is to identify issues and concerns of parishioners but also community assets and aspirations. This information will be used to develop a 'vision' for the future. The chosen method of collecting information from the parishioners was by the use of a wide ranging questionnaire and from Interested Parties and Businesses by direct correspondence.

The numeric results of the consultation are presented without interpretation. Analysis of the data will be presented in a later document.

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Introduction

Wenhaston with Mellis Hamlet Parish council has decided to undertake the process of producing a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP), as defined in the Localism Act 2011. This plan is to create a vision for the development and use of land within Wenhaston with Mellis from 2015 to 2030 related to the views of the residents of the area.

The initial stage of the NDP is to identify issues and concerns of parishioners but also community assets and aspirations and from this information to develop a 'vision' for the future. The chosen method of collecting information from the parishioners was by the use of a wide ranging questionnaire, (Appendix A), and from Interested Parties, Businesses and Large Community Groups by direct correspondence.

The Questionnaire

The questionnaire was developed by reference to similar documents used by other localities of similar size and infrastructure makeup and then tailoring it to local issues. The type of questions was developed in conjunction with Suffolk Coastal District Council, SCDC, to ensure that a valid set of data would be obtained to make NDP decisions on. Questions, where possible were designed to be 'open' to allow for opinion to be judged on issues that were not fully suited to 'closed' answers. In order to allow interpretation of the data respondents were encouraged to add comments to questions asked and also to enter general comments on issues that were thought relevant to the NDP.

In order to achieve as broad a dataset of opinion the questionnaire was designed to accommodate individual opinion within a household. Respondents were encouraged to give multiple entries if views differed within a household group.

The NDP has a lifetime of 15 years and it was considered important to obtain as much response from under 18 year olds as possible since they would be affected by the plan in their coming years. To facilitate this and identify their responses separate entry areas were added to questions where relevant.

Questionnaire Distribution

An inventory of houses within the Wenhaston with Mellis Hamlet parish boundary was produced by a combination of electoral documents review and street by street visits to ensure that all residents would receive a questionnaire. This survey identified 430 houses to canvass. Volunteer teams were recruited to hand deliver the questionnaires to each household with, where possible, direct contact with the householders. The return policy was for either team members personally collecting the completed questionnaires, stamped address return envelope or drop in box at the Village Hall Post Office. The delivery took place in the week prior to the survey dates of May 30th to June 13th, 2015.

Interested Parties, Businesses and Large Community Groups

Letters canvassing views for the NDP were sent to 17 Interested Parties, 40 Businesses and 8 Large Community Groups to coincide with the resident questionnaire survey period.

Publicity

The intention for the Questionnaire survey taking place was publicised through the local parish newsletter 'The Wenhaston Warbler' and the Wenhaston with Mells website, www.wenhaston.onesuffolk.net.

Survey Results

430 questionnaires were delivered and 193 were completed and returned, representing a 44.9% return.

17 letters were sent out to Interested Parties and 11 responses were received, representing a 65% return.

40 letters were sent out to Businesses and 8 responses were received, representing a 20% return.

8 letters were sent out to Large Community Groups and 6 responses were received, representing a 75% return.

The numeric results of the survey, without analysis/interpretation, follow in the questionnaire order.

Section 1 – About You (optional)

Question 1a – Please enter the remainder of your post code.

There were 148 post code entries	76.7% of responses
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Question 1b - Which statement best describes your household?

Two generations with under 18's	23	11.9%
Two generations all adults	23	11.9%
Single generation, Working	40	20.7%
Single generation, Retired	99	51.3%
Other, Please state	8	4.1%
Responses	193	

Section 2 - Our Parish

Question 2a – How important are the following to your quality of Life in Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet?

The questions were graded with options from 1(Not important) to 5 (Very Important)

Over 18 responses

	1		2		3		4		5		Responses
The scenic beauty in and around the village	3	1.5%	2	1.0%	8	4.1%	34	17.4%	148	75.9%	195
The peace and tranquillity within the village	3	1.6%	1	0.5%	13	6.9%	30	15.9%	142	75.1%	189
The commons and wildlife habitats	6	3.2%	3	1.6%	15	7.9%	28	14.7%	138	72.6%	190
Friendly, safe and quiet environment	4	2.1%	2	1.0%	15	7.9%	21	11.0%	149	78.0%	191
Vibrant and supportive community	5	2.7%	4	2.1%	24	12.8%	49	26.2%	105	56.1%	187
Village amenities and facilities (Church, Pub etc)	5	2.6%	5	2.6%	28	14.6%	42	21.9%	112	58.3%	192
Village activities and groups	9	4.7%	8	4.2%	47	24.6%	45	23.6%	82	42.9%	191
The balance of built and natural landscapes	5	2.7%	6	3.3%	20	10.9%	28	15.2%	125	67.9%	184

Under 18 responses

	1		2		3		4		5		Responses
The scenic beauty in and around the village					3	33.3%	3	33.3%	3	33.3%	9
The peace and tranquillity within the village					2	22.2%	4	44.4%	3	33.3%	9
The commons and wildlife habitats					3	33.3%	1	11.1%	5	55.6%	9
Friendly, safe and quiet environment					3	33.3%			6	66.7%	9
Vibrant and supportive community					3	33.3%	2	22.2%	4	44.4%	9
Village amenities and facilities (Church, Pub etc)	1	11.1%			3	33.3%	2	22.2%	3	33.3%	9
Village activities and groups	2	25.0%			2	25.0%	3	37.5%	1	12.5%	8
The balance of built and natural landscapes			1	11.1%	2	22.2%	3	33.3%	3	33.3%	9

Question 2b – Which of the following village amenities do you use?

The questions were graded with options from 1 (Never), 2 (Daily), 3 (Weekly), 4 (Monthly) and 5 (Yearly)

Over 18 responses

	1		2		3		4		5		Responses
Village groups and associations	46	24.9%	4	2.2%	54	29.2%	62	33.5%	19	10.3%	185
Post Office	12	6.3%	11	5.8%	108	56.8%	48	25.3%	11	5.8%	190
Heathside Stores	35	18.7%	9	4.8%	59	31.6%	59	31.6%	25	13.4%	187
Church and Church groups	80	44.0%	1	0.5%	24	13.2%	34	18.7%	43	23.6%	182
Pub	24	13.0%			52	28.1%	76	41.1%	33	17.8%	185
Playing field and sports equipment	109	61.2%	7	3.9%	20	11.2%	20	11.2%	22	12.4%	178
Primary School and Pre-School	158	89.3%	1	5.6%	2	1.1%	4	2.3%	3	1.7%	177
Fish and Chip van	96	52.7%	4	2.2%	12	6.6%	37	20.3%	33	18.1%	182
Commons, footpaths and open spaces	11	5.9%	78	42.2%	58	31.4%	36	19.5%	2	1.1%	185

Under 18 responses

	1		2		3		4		5		Responses
Village groups and associations	4	50.0%					3	37.5%	1	12.5%	8
Post Office	6	75.0%			1	12.5%			1	12.5%	8
Heathside Stores	2	25.0%			4	50.0%	2	25.0%			8
Church and Church groups	7	87.5%							1	12.5%	8
Pub	1	14.3%			1	14.3%	4	57.1%	1	14.3%	7
Playing field and sports equipment	2	22.2%	3	33.3%	2	22.2%	1	11.1%	1	11.1%	9
Primary School and Pre-School	6	75.0%	2	25.0%							8
Fish and Chip van	3	37.5%			2	25.0%	3	37.5%			8
Commons, footpaths and open spaces			3	33.3%	3	33.3%	3	33.3%			9

Section 3 – Housing

Question 3a - In which of the following do you currently live and how might this change over the next 15 years?

Now (Over 18 responses)

	Owned		Rented	
Bungalow	56	28.7%	5	2.6%
House, 2 bedrooms or less	12	6.2%	5	2.6%
House, 3 bedrooms or more	106	54.4%	6	3.1%
Sheltered Accommodation				
Affordable/social housing			1	0.5%
Eco house	4	2.1%	0	0.0%
Move from Wenhaston (Give reason)				
Responses	195			

Future (Over 18 responses)

	Owned		Rented	
Bungalow	41	27.5%	3	2.0%
House, 2 bedrooms or less	11	7.4%	3	2.0%
House, 3 bedrooms or more	59	39.6%	4	2.7%
Sheltered Accommodation	2	1.3%	4	2.7%
Affordable/social housing			3	2.0%
Eco house	6	4.0%		
Move from Wenhaston (Give reason)	13	8.7%		
Responses	149			

Future (Under 18 responses)

	Owned		Rented	
Bungalow				
House, 2 bedrooms or less	3	25.0%	1	8.3%
House, 3 bedrooms or more	1	8.3%	1	8.3%
Sheltered Accommodation				
Affordable/social housing	3	25.0%		
Eco house			1	8.3%
Move from Wenhaston (Give reason)	1	8.3%	1	8.3%
Responses	12			

Question 3b – How important are the following to the housing development of Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet over the next 15 years? Please refer to map with settlement boundary inside the front cover.

Over 18 responses

	Agree		Disagree		Responses
New housing should only be allowed to meet local needs	138	76.7%	42	23.3%	180
New accommodation should primarily come from refurbishment, rebuild and one for one replacement	126	72.0%	49	28.0%	175
Infill and small groups of housing may be allowed OUTSIDE the physical limits boundary (village envelope)	61	35.3%	112	64.7%	173
Infill and small groups of housing may be allowed INSIDE the physical limits boundary (village envelope)	96	55.5%	77	44.5%	173
Wenhaston with Mells is already about the right size	147	85.5%	25	14.5%	172
No further development is needed	104	64.6%	57	35.4%	161

Under 18 responses

	Agree		Disagree		Responses
New housing should only be allowed to meet local needs	6	100.0%			6
New accommodation should primarily come from refurbishment, rebuild and one for one replacement	5	83.3%	1	16.7%	6
Infill and small groups of housing may be allowed OUTSIDE the physical limits boundary (village envelope)	5	71.4%	2	28.6%	7
Infill and small groups of housing may be allowed INSIDE the physical limits boundary (village envelope)	1	16.7%	5	83.3%	6
Wenhaston with Mells is already about the right size	6	100.0%			6
No further development is needed	5	71.4%	2	28.6%	7

Question 3c – If you believe that new housing is necessary, what type do you think it should be?

The questions were graded with options of 1(Necessary), 2(Neutral) and 3(Not Necessary).

Over 18 responses

	1		2		3		Responses
Sheltered Accommodation	63	38.0%	67	40.4%	36	21.7%	166
Affordable/social housing	103	56.0%	40	21.7%	41	22.3%	184
Bungalows	52	32.3%	64	39.8%	45	28.0%	161
Small houses. Up to 3 beds	84	48.8%	52	30.2%	36	20.9%	172
Large houses. 4 or more beds	6	3.8%	32	20.3%	120	75.9%	158
Eco houses	50	31.3%	69	43.1%	41	25.6%	160

Under 18 responses

	1		2		3		Responses
Sheltered Accommodation	1	25.0%	1	25.0%	2	50.0%	4
Affordable/social housing	4	80.0%			1	20.0%	5
Bungalows			3	75.0%	1	25.0%	4
Small houses. Up to 3 beds	2	50.0%	1	25.0%	1	25.0%	4
Large houses. 4 or more beds					4	100.0%	4
Eco houses			2	50.0%	2	50.0%	4

Section 4 – Infrastructure, Village Facilities and Energy Efficiency

Question 4a - Wenhaston with Mells is known as a village which strives to retain its rural identity. How important to you and the future of the village are the following?

The questions were graded with options of 1(Not important), 2(Neutral) and 3(Very Important).

Over 18 responses

	1		2		3		Responses
Preserving the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty	3	1.6%	14	7.3%	174	91.1%	191
Safe, quiet roads and pedestrian routes	2	1.0%	14	7.3%	177	91.7%	193
Protecting rural identity of the village	3	1.6%	18	9.4%	171	89.1%	192
Protecting local wildlife habitats	5	2.6%	18	9.3%	170	88.1%	193
Managing flood risks	7	3.6%	37	19.3%	148	77.1%	192
Reducing carbon footprint	9	4.7%	71	37.4%	110	57.9%	190

Under 18 responses

	1		2		3		Responses
Preserving the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty			1	11.1%	8	88.9%	9
Safe, quiet roads and pedestrian routes			2	22.2%	7	77.8%	9
Protecting rural identity of the village			7	77.8%	2	22.2%	9
Protecting local wildlife habitats			3	33.3%	6	66.7%	9
Managing flood risks			2	22.2%	7	77.8%	9
Reducing carbon footprint	1	11.1%	3	33.3%	5	55.6%	9

Question 4b - Are the following facilities/services adequate for now and future generations?

The questions were graded with options of Adequate or Inadequate with an option to enter a reason for the response.

All Age Groups responses

	Adequate		Inadequate		Responses
The five Commons and footpath networks	183	96.8%	6	3.2%	189
The Village Hall (and Post Office)	173	90.6%	18	9.4%	191
The Playing Field and sports/play equipment	133	76.0%	42	24.0%	175
Bus service to Halesworth and Southwold	137	76.1%	43	23.9%	180
High speed internet	61	34.3%	117	65.7%	178
Primary School and Pre-School	125	83.3%	25	16.7%	150
Sewerage Capacity	70	42.9%	93	57.1%	163
Surface water drainage	93	53.4%	81	46.6%	174
Street lighting	148	80.4%	36	19.6%	184

Section 5 – Leisure, Tourism, Agriculture and Business

Question 5 - How important are the following to the future development of Wenhaston with Mells?

The question was graded with options of 1(Not important), 2(Neutral) and 3(Very Important).

Over 18 responses

	1		2		3		Responses
Improved sport and play facilities	18	9.9%	96	52.7%	68	37.4%	182
Improved and safe cycle ways	15	7.9%	84	44.2%	91	47.9%	190
Increasing the caravan and lodge capacity	126	66.0%	52	27.2%	13	6.8%	191
Increasing the number of holiday homes	164	88.2%	21	11.3%	1	0.5%	186
Developing the Southwold Railway Site	123	64.1%	42	21.9%	27	14.1%	192
Expanded current businesses	27	15.3%	83	47.2%	66	37.5%	176
Encouraging new businesses	26	14.1%	66	35.9%	92	50.0%	184
Retaining existing farms	5	2.7%	32	17.3%	148	80.0%	185
Retaining or increasing existing pubs, shops and tradesmen	7	3.8%	26	14.1%	152	82.2%	185

Under 18 responses

	1		2		3		Responses
Improved sport and play facilities	1	9.1%	2	18.2%	8	72.7%	11
Improved and safe cycle ways	4	40.0%	2	20.0%	4	40.0%	10
Increasing the caravan and lodge capacity	8	88.9%	1	11.1%			9
Increasing the number of holiday homes	8	88.9%	1	11.1%			9
Developing the Southwold Railway Site	9	81.8%	2	18.2%			11
Expanded current businesses	3	37.5%	4	50.0%	1	12.5%	8
Encouraging new businesses	3	37.5%	4	50.0%	1	12.5%	8
Retaining existing farms	1	12.5%			7	87.5%	8
Retaining or increasing existing pubs, shops and tradesmen	1	11.1%	2	22.2%	6	66.7%	9

Section 6 – Concerns

Question 6 - Related to life in Wenhaston with Mells, which of the following gives you cause for concern either for now or in the future?

The question was graded with options of Now and Future.

Over 18 responses

	Now		Future		Responses
Crime	34	28.6%	85	71.4%	119
Road Safety	95	54.9%	78	45.1%	173
Noise Pollution	52	39.4%	80	60.6%	132
Flood Risk	46	37.1%	78	62.9%	124
Over Development	102	49.8%	103	50.2%	205
Anti-Social Behaviour	41	34.5%	78	65.5%	119
Lack of Public Transport	39	26.4%	109	73.6%	148
Lack of Facilities	29	24.4%	90	75.6%	119

Under 18 responses

	Now		Future		Responses
Crime	2	50.0%	2	50.0%	4
Road Safety	4	44.4%	5	55.6%	9
Noise Pollution			4	100.0%	4
Flood Risk	2	50.0%	2	50.0%	4
Over Development	2	33.3%	4	66.7%	6
Anti-Social Behaviour			3	100.0%	3
Lack of Public Transport	2	40.0%	3	60.0%	5
Lack of Facilities	4	57.1%	3	42.9%	7

Written Comments

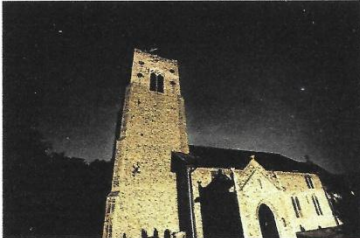
Q2a – How important are the following to your quality of Life in Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet?	50	10.2% of comments
Q2b – Which of the following village amenities do you use?	67	13.7% of comments
Q 3a - In which of the following do you currently live and how might this change over the next 15 years?	54	11.1% of comments
Q3b – How important are the following to the housing development of Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet over the next 15 years? Please refer to map with settlement boundary inside the front cover.	63	12.9% of comments
Q3c – If you believe that new housing is necessary, what type do you think it should be?	36	7.4% of comments
Q4a - Wenhaston with Mells is known as a village which strives to retain its rural identity. How important to you and the future of the village are the following?	21	4.3% of comments
Q4b - Are the following facilities/services adequate for now and future generations?	59	12.1% of comments
Q5 - How important are the following to the future development of Wenhaston with Mells?	43	8.8% of comments
Q6 - Related to life in Wenhaston with Mells, which of the following gives you cause for concern either for now or in the future?	49	10.0% of comments
Non question specific	46	9.4% of comments
Total Comments	488	

Appendix A

WENHASTON
WITH
MELLS

VERY IMPORTANT FOR THE
FUTURE OF YOUR PARISH

WENHASTON WITH MELLS 2015 – 2030
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN
QUESTIONNAIRE



Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet is a beautiful and supportive rural parish which is worth protecting and enhancing. The policies contained within a Neighbourhood Plan will be the starting point for determining planning applications over the next 15 years. We are currently working on a Parish web site which can be viewed and used by all and we would now wish to go on to enrich other aspects of village life. The questions that we would like to investigate are:

- ☞ **What makes Wenhaston with Mells special?**
- ☞ **Which aspects of our community need protecting and enhancing?**
- ☞ **What kind of development is necessary to meet the needs of the wider community?**
- ☞ **What must we do to meet the needs of our community over the next 15 years?**
- ☞ **Are the local services adequate to meet existing and future community needs?**

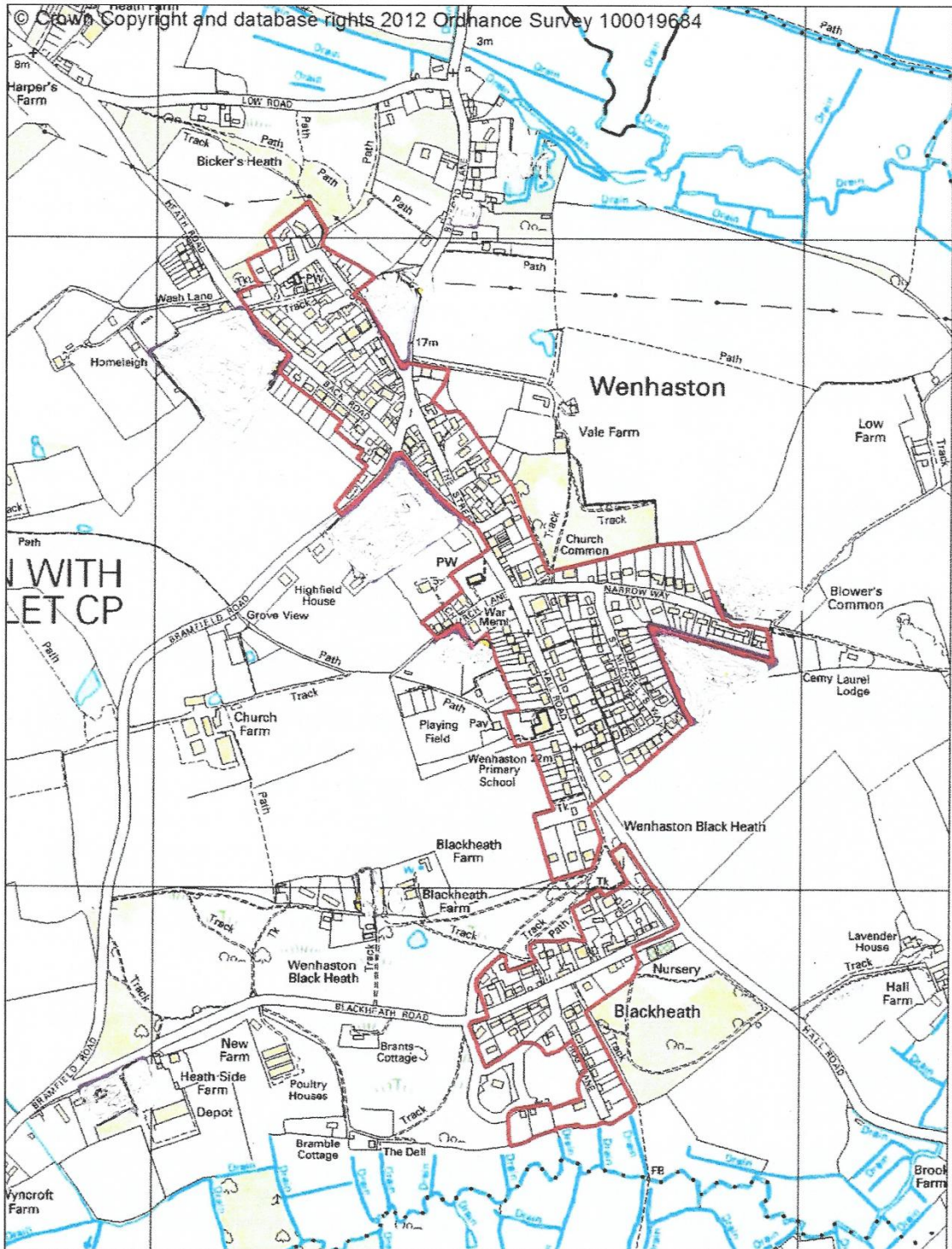
This questionnaire should be completed between May 30th and June 13th. Please return in pre paid envelope or to Wenhaston Post Office.

If you need help filling in this questionnaire please contact Phil or Denise on 478505.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

This questionnaire is anonymous and the results will be used to draw up a draft plan which reflects the consensus of views held by the Community as a whole. From here the plan will be reviewed and revised until it is an effective document to determine how the village might evolve over the next fifteen years. At each stage the Parish will be asked whether there is more, or less that they would like incorporated into the plan.

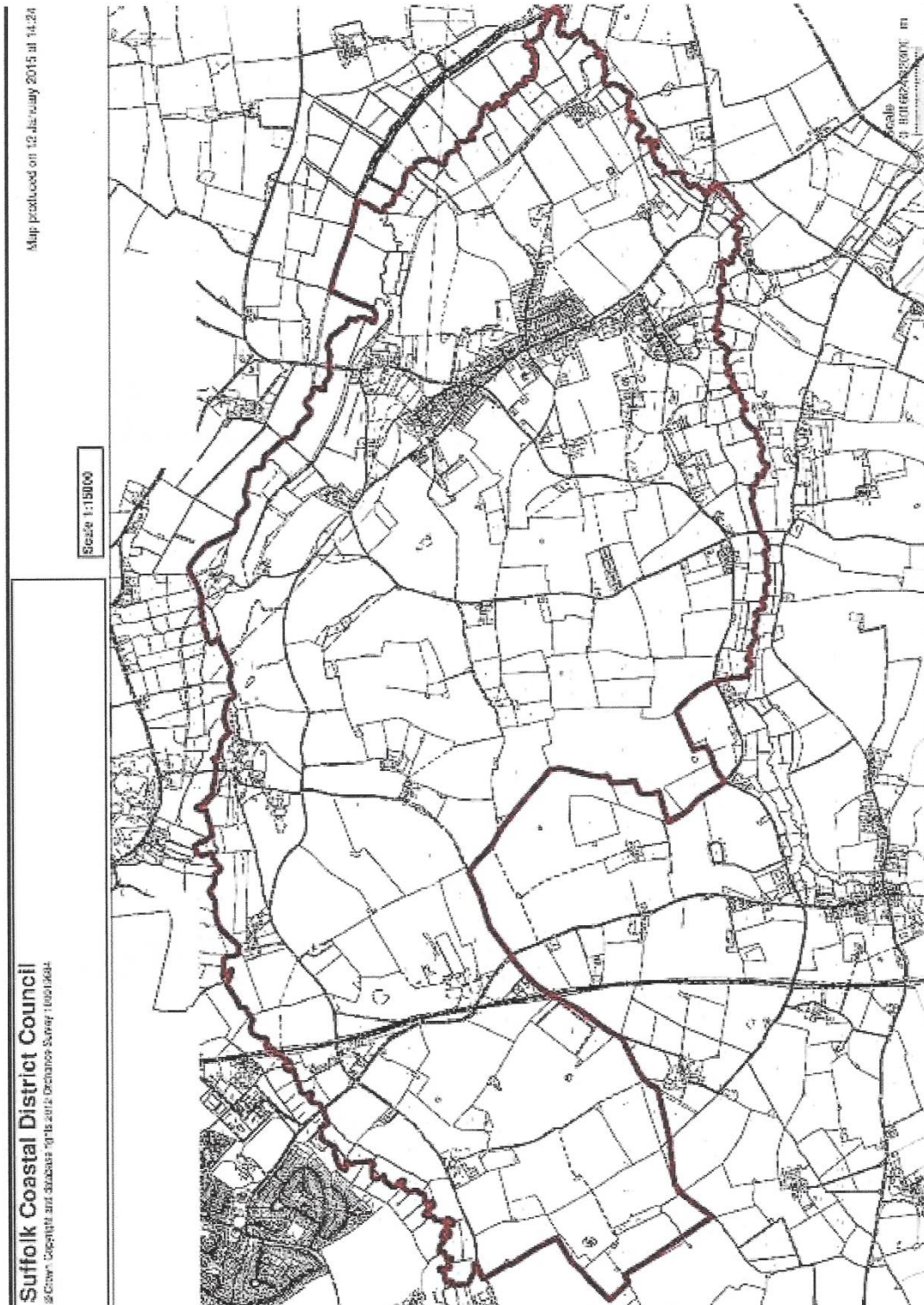
**MAP SHOWING 2015 PHYSICAL LIMITS BOUNDARY (VILLAGE ENVELOPE)
FOR WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET**



The red line shows the 2015 physical limits boundary (village envelope) and the dwellings outside of this (all of Mells) are technically in the countryside. The area to the east of the main through road, Hazel Lane/Hall Road/The Street/Blyford Lane is all in the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. (AONB)

Photographs on cover by Jason Gairn and Phil Corbett

MAP SHOWING WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH BOUNDARY



The red outline is the parish boundary and also the designated area for Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Neighbourhood Plan. (North is on the left hand side of the page).

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

SECTION 1. ABOUT YOU (OPTIONAL).

a) Please enter the remainder of your Postcode

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b) Which statement best describes your household?

Two generations with under 18's	Two generations all adults	Single generation Working	Single generation retired	Other Please state.

SECTION 2. OUR PARISH.

a) How important are the following to your quality of life in Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	Not Important 1	2	3	4	Very Important 5	Under 18's enter a number 1 to 5
The scenic beauty in and around the village						
The peace and tranquillity within the village						
The commons and wildlife habitats						
Friendly, safe and quiet environment						
Vibrant and supportive community						
Village amenities and facilities (Church, Pub etc).						
Village activities and groups						
The balance of built and natural landscapes						
Other, please state.						

Comments: How could any of these be improved?

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b) Which of the following village amenities do you use?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	Never 1	Daily 2	Weekly 3	Monthly 4	Yearly 5	Under 18's 1 to 5
Village groups and associations						
Post Office						
Heathside Store						
Church and Church groups						
Pub						
Playing field and sports equipment						
Primary School and Pre-School						
Fish and Chip van						
Commons, footpaths and open spaces						
Other, please state						

Comments: If there are some you never use, is there a reason for this?

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SECTION 3. HOUSING

The Planning Authority have reported that enough planning permissions have already been granted in Wenhaston with Mells to meet the 15 year target and there is no need to consider further development of any sort. However, we must also consider what expansion if any is needed so that the village remains a vibrant and desirable place to live.

a) In which of the following do you currently live and how might this change over the next 15 years?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	NOW		FUTURE		FUTURE U18's	
	Owned	Rented	Owned	Rented	Owned	Rented
Bungalow						
House, 2 bedrooms or less						
House, 3 bedrooms or more						
Sheltered accommodation						
Affordable/social housing						
Eco house						
Other, please specify						
Move from Wenhaston (Give reason)						

Comments:

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b) How important are the following to the housing development of Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet over the next 15 years? Please refer to map with settlement boundary inside the front cover.

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	Agree	Disagree	Under 18's Agree or Disagree
New housing should only be allowed to meet local needs			
New accommodation should primarily come from refurbishment, rebuild and one for one replacement			
Infill and small groups of housing may be allowed OUTSIDE the physical limits boundary (village envelope)			
Infill and small groups of housing may only be allowed INSIDE the physical limits boundary (village envelope)			
Wenhaston with Mells is already about the right size			
No further development is needed			
Other. Please state			

Comments:

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WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

c) If you believe that new housing development is necessary, what type do you think it should be?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	NECESSARY 1	NEUTRAL 2	NOT NECESSARY 3	Under 18's enter a number 1 to 3
Sheltered Accommodation				
Affordable/social housing				
Bungalows				
Small houses. Up to 3 beds				
Large houses. 4 or more beds				
Eco houses				

Comments: State which other types of development you believe are necessary if any.

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SECTION 4. INFRASTRUCTURE, VILLAGE FACILITIES AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY

a) Wenhaston with Mells is known as a village which strives to retain its rural identity. How important to you and the future of the village are the following?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	NOT IMPORTANT 1	NEUTRAL 2	VERY IMPORTANT 3	Under 18's enter a number 1 to 3
Preserving the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty				
Safe, quiet roads and pedestrian routes				
Protecting rural identity of the village				
Protecting local wildlife habitats				
Managing flood risks				
Reducing carbon footprint				

Comments:

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b) Are the following facilities/services adequate for now and future generations?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	Adequate	Inadequate	Reason
The five Commons and footpath networks			
The Village Hall (and Post Office)			
The Playing Field and sports/play equipment			
Bus service to Halesworth and Southwold			
High speed internet			
Primary School and Pre-School			
Sewerage capacity			
Surface water drainage			
Street lighting			

Comment:

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WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

SECTION 5. LEISURE, TOURISM, AGRICULTURE AND BUSINESS

How important are the following to the future development of Wenhaston with Mells?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	NOT IMPORTANT 1	NEUTRAL 2	VERY IMPORTANT 3	Under 18's enter a number 1 to 3
Improved sport and play facilities				
Improved and safe cycle ways				
Increasing the caravan and lodge capacity				
Increasing the number of holiday homes				
Developing the Southwold Railway Site				
Expanded current businesses				
Encouraging new businesses				
Retaining existing farms				
Retaining or increasing existing pubs, shops and tradesmen				

Comments:

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SECTION 6. CONCERNS.

Related to life in Wenhaston with Mells, which of the following gives you cause for concern either for now or in the future?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	Now	Future	Under 18's Now or Fut
Crime			
Road Safety			
Noise Pollution			
Flood Risk			
Over Development			
Anti-Social behaviour			
Lack of Public Transport			
Lack of Facilities			

Comments: Please add any other aspects of village life which give you cause for concern

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How do you get to know what is going on in the Parish? Please circle

Notice Boards
 Warbler
 Web Sites
 Word of Mouth

We would like to keep you informed about progress and emerging planning issues. If you want to be on our circulation list please write your e-mail address in the box below. You do not need to include your name and your details will not be passed on to any third party.

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Thank you for your help and support.

Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Parish Council

Neighbourhood Development Plan



Business and Interested Parties Survey

May, 2015

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Abstract

Wenhaston with Mellis Hamlet Parish council has decided to undertake the process of producing a Neighbourhood Development Plan, as defined in the Localism Act 2011. This plan is to create a vision for the development and use of land within Wenhaston with Mellis from 2015 to 2030 related to the views of the residents of the area.

The initial stage of the Neighbourhood Development Plan process is to identify issues and concerns of parishioners but also community assets and aspirations. This information will be used to develop a 'vision' for the future. The chosen method of collecting information from the parishioners was by the use of a wide ranging questionnaire and from Interested Parties and Businesses by direct correspondence.

The numeric results of the Business and Interested Parties consultation are presented in this document without interpretation. Analysis of the data will be presented in a later document.

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Issue 2	Addition of later response	1 Sept 2016

1. WHO SHOULD BE CANVASSED?

The identification of a total of 77 Interested Parties and local businesses was performed by a combination of means.

- a) A total of 35 Businesses were collected from The Wenhaston Warbler and Halesworth Community News publication's advertising, reference to local online maps which show a few businesses, word of mouth and local knowledge.
- b) A total of 4 Businesses related to Tourism were identified from local knowledge.
- c) A total of 7 Farms were selected by reference to local maps and local knowledge.
- d) A total of 24 Interested Parties were selected by reference to designation documents, on line advice about constructing Neighbourhood Plans and statutory or other bodies that did not fit into the business group.
- e) A total of 8 large village organisations were selected on the basis of regularly meeting and with a large membership, or those that have a direct impact on the village scene.

2. METHOD OF CONTACT

Three methods of contact were used in the survey:

- a) By letters delivered by Post or hand,
- b) By letters delivered by email and
- c) By verbal approach by telephone or face to face.

3. CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

3.1 Business Register Group Letter/Email

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

LOCAL BUSINESS CONSULTATION

MAY 2015.

Wenhaston with Mells are in the process of drawing up a Neighbourhood Plan. This is a community led framework for guiding the future development and growth of an area.

As a local business we would very much like your initial input of ideas about what sort of things would improve or enhance your operating opportunities. This could for example be transport links, broadband, policing, education etc.

Please spare a few minutes to put down your thoughts even if they are that things are alright as they are. You can return your comments in the postage paid envelope or by e-mail to planwenhaston@gmail.com

Please note, if you are a Wenhaston with Mells resident, you will also be receiving the resident's questionnaire.

3.2 Interested Parties Question Letter/Email

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

INTERESTED PARTIES CONSULTATION

MAY 2015.

Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet is a Designated Neighbourhood Area and are in the process of drawing up a Neighbourhood Plan.

As an interested party we would very much like your initial input about issues that we need to take into account when constructing the plan. We are simultaneously consulting with residents and businesses and will use the early findings to guide the course of the plan.

Your cooperation in this will be greatly appreciated.

Please reply by e-mail to planwenhaston@gmail.com or by post to

Wenhaston with Mells Neighbourhood Plan, Copperfield, Back Road, Wenhaston,
Halesworth, IP19 9DY.

3.3 Large Community Group Question Letter/Email

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET
NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN
COMMUNITY GROUP CONSULTATION
MAY 2015.

Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet are in the process of drawing up a Neighbourhood Plan. This is a community led framework for guiding the future development and growth of an area.

Can I apologise if I have sent this to the wrong addressee for your group, but I used contacts which I already have access to. Yours will be one of the first sections of the community to be consulted for the Neighbourhood Plan, because I am aware that your calendar of committee or group meetings may run on a monthly basis.

As one of the larger community groups we would very much like your initial input of ideas about what sort of things would improve or enhance your groups operating opportunities. This could for example be transport links, broadband, policing, education etc.

Please spare a few minutes with your committee or group to put down your thoughts even if they are that things are fine as they are. You can return your comments to Wenhaston Post Office or by e-mail to planwenhaston@gmail.com

Please note, that as Wenhaston with Mells residents, that towards the end of May you will also be receiving the residents' questionnaire, so your response here should be about impact on your group, not on individuals.

Thank you for the time you take in considering this and becoming part of the process of building on all the qualities of our village that we hold dear.

Regards

Phil Corbett

Neighbourhood Plan Subcommittee.

4. CONSULTATION RESULTS

Contact person	Group type	Contact type	Response
		P/H = Post/Hand E = e-Mail V = Verbal	N = No Y = Yes
BUSINESSES			
	Haulage Mells (Woolnough)	P/H	N
	Haulage Mells	P/H	N
	Equestrian Centre	P/H	N
Jill Draper	Artist	E	N
Peter Draper	Framer	E	N
Ruth Macabe	Artist	E	Y
David Wilkinson	ICT	E	Y
Helen Durant	Bookbinding	E	Y
Jason Gairn	Gardener/Handyman	E	Y
Paul Nolloth	Garage	E	N
M and J Rowland	Music Therapy	P/H	N
Tessa Newcomb	Artist	E	Y
Simon Redsell	Drama	P/H	N
Royston Hammond	Gardener/Handyman	P/H	N
Roddy Edwards	Accountancy	E	N
Tim Heaps	Blyth Web	E	N
Sue Cooke	Driving Instructor	E	N
	Wenhaston Tiling	P/H	N
Halesworth Golf Club	Golf/Leisure	P/H	N
David Baker	Plumber	P/H	N
Beverley Boughtwood	Beauty Therapy	E	N
Sarah	Novelty Cakes	P/H	N
Jane Peters	Post Mistress	E	N
Becky Canham	ICT	P/H	N
Crispin Chalker	Tree Surgeon	P/H	N
Liz	Wottens	E	Y
David Cox	Carpenter and Builder	E	N
Alan Stammers	Car Maintenance	P/H	Y
Alan Musk		P/H	N
Carl	Star Inn, Public House	E	N
Adam and Babara Gill	Carpet cleaners	P/H	N
Elizabeth Hill	Accountancy	P/H	N
Scott Baxter	Plumber	P/H	N
Roger Ives	Builder	P/H	N
Sandy and Thomas Horsley	Graphic Design and printmaker	E	Y
FARMING			
Desborough, Church Farm		P/H	N
Low Farm		P/H	N
Valley Farm		P/H	N
Watermill Farm		P/H	N

Heath Farm		P/H	N
Bartholemew Farm		P/H	N
Laurel Farm		P/H	N
Blythburg Pigs		P/H	Y
TOURISM			
Trish Gower	Cottages and Caravan	E	Y
Jim Wright	Lodges and Caravan Site	E	N
Southwold Railway Trust	Railway	E	N
Vale Farm	Cottages	P/H	N
INTERESTED PARTIES			
	Bramfield and Thorington PC	E	N
	Blythburgh PC	E	Y
	Holton and Blyford PC	V	N
	Halesworth Town Council	E	N
	Suffolk County Council	E	Y
	Highways and Transport	SCC	Y
	Education	SCC	N
	Surface Water Management	SCC	Y
	Social Care	SCC	N
	Archaeological Service	SCC	N
	Libraries	SCC	N
	Waste Disposal	SCC	N
	Fire and Rescue	SCC	N
	Rights of Way	SCC	N
	Arboriculture	E	Y
	Head of Environmental Services	E	N
	Planning Team	SCDC	Y
	Historic Buildings Conservation Officer	E	Y
	Suffolk Coast and Heath AONB	E	Y
	Suffolk Wildlife Trust	E	N
	Anglian Water	E	Y
	Environment Agency	E	Y
	English Heritage	see designation	Y
	Natural England	see designation	Y
	Wenhaston primary school	E	N
LARGE COMMUNITY GROUPS			
	Wenhaston WI	E	N
	Wenhaston Commons Group	E	Y
	Wenhaston Sports Club	E	Y
	Wenhaston Energy Support Group	E	Y
	Village Hall	E	N
	Parochial Church Council	E	Y
	Gardeners Club	E	Y
	Blyth Wood	E	Y

- The Business Register group of 35 consulted had a response of 9 – (25.7%)
- The Farming group of 7 consulted had a response of 1 – (14%)

- The Tourism group of 4 consulted had a response of 1 – (25%)
- The Interested Parties group of 24 consulted had a response 11 – (45.8%)
- The Large Community group of 8 consulted had a response of 6 – (75%)

5. RESPONSES FROM INTERESTED PARTIES.

5.1 English Heritage East Of England Region

Ref: Application for Neighbourhood Area Designation – Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Parish

Thank you for your electronic notification of the above matter. English Heritage has no objection to the designation of Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet parish as a Neighbourhood Area and the proposed boundaries.

A preliminary desktop study of the area covered by the proposed Neighbourhood Plan has shown the parish includes a number of designated heritage assets including a Scheduled Monument (the remains of St Margaret's Chapel, Mells) and 23 listed buildings. Of these listed buildings, the Church of St Peter is listed at Grade I and the Grange is listed at Grade II*. The remainder are all listed at Grade II. It should also be noted that a number of the Grade II listed buildings have been divided into two or more dwellings, so the overall number of properties listed is greater than 23.

Approximately half of the listed buildings are in Wenhaston, while the remainder are dispersed across the rural part of the parish. The majority are vernacular buildings that date from the 16th or 17th centuries. In line with national planning policy, it will be important that the strategy for this area safeguards those elements which contribute to the significance of these assets so that they can be enjoyed by future generations of the area.

We consider that the planning team and historic buildings conservation officer at Suffolk Coastal District Council will be best placed to assist the parish in the development of their Neighbourhood Plan and, in particular, how the strategy might address the area's heritage assets. Consequently, we do not consider that there is a need for English Heritage to be involved in the development of this plan, but we would welcome the opportunity to comment on a draft in due course.

Furthermore, we would recommend that the Parish consult the Historic Environment Record to gain advice on designated heritage assets and archaeological matters, together with locally-important buildings, archaeological remains and landscapes.

5.2 English Heritage



ENGLISH HERITAGE

EAST OF ENGLAND REGION

Some Historic Environment Records may be available on-line via the Heritage Gateway (www.heritagegateway.org.uk). It may also be useful for the Parish to involve local voluntary groups such as the local Civic Society or local historic groups in the production of their Neighbourhood Plan.

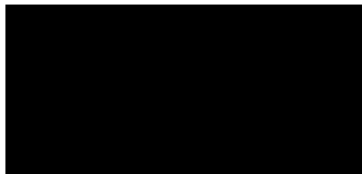
English Heritage has produced a number of documents which the parish might find helpful in helping to identify what it is about their area which makes it distinctive and how they might go about ensuring that the character of the area is retained. These can be found at:-

<http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/caring/get-involved/improving-your-neighbourhood/>

The Parish Council may also find the advice in “*Planning for the Environment at the Neighbourhood Level*” useful. This has been produced by English Heritage, Natural England, the Environment Agency and the Forestry Commission. As well as giving ideas on how you might improve your local environment, it also contains some useful further sources of information.

In the event that the Parish’s application for designation as a Neighbourhood Area is successful, I would be grateful if you would provide them with a copy of this letter. If you have any queries about this matter or would like to discuss anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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5.3 Natural England

Wenhaston with Mellis Hamlet Neighbourhood Area Designation

Thank you for consultation dated 11 February 2015 notifying Natural England of your Neighbourhood Planning Area.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

Natural England is a statutory consultee in neighbourhood planning. We must be consulted on draft Neighbourhood Development Plans where the Town/Parish Council or Neighbourhood Forum considers our interests would be affected by the proposals. We must be consulted on draft Neighbourhood Development Orders and Community Right to Build Orders where proposals are likely to affect a Site of Special Scientific Interest or 20 hectares or more of Best and Most Versatile agricultural land. We must also be consulted on Strategic Environmental Assessments, Habitats Regulations Assessment screening and Environmental Impact Assessments, where these are required. Your local planning authority will be able to advise you further on environmental requirements.

The following is offered as general advice which may be of use in the preparation of your plan/ order.

Natural England, together with the Environment Agency, English Heritage and Forestry Commission has published joint advice on neighbourhood planning which sets out sources of environmental information and ideas on incorporating the environment into plans and development proposals. This is available at:
http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20140328084648/http://cdn.environment-agency.gov.uk/lit_6524_7da381.pdf

Local environmental record centres hold a range of information on the natural environment. A list of local records centre is available at: <http://www.nbn-nfbr.org.uk/nfbr.php>

Protected landscapes

If your neighbourhood planning area is within or adjacent to a National Park or Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), we advise that you take account of the relevant National Park/AONB Management Plan for the area. For Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty, you should seek the views of the AONB Partnership.

National Character Areas (NCAs) divide England into 159 distinct natural areas. Each is defined by a unique combination of landscape, biodiversity, geodiversity and cultural and economic activity. Their boundaries follow natural lines in the landscape rather than administrative boundaries, making them a good decision making framework for the natural environment.

<http://www.naturalengland.org.uk/publications/nca/default.aspx>

Protected species

You should consider whether your plan or proposal has any impacts on protected species. To help you do this, Natural England has produced standing advice to help understand the impact of particular developments on protected or Biodiversity Action Plan species should they be identified as an issue. The standing advice also sets out when, following receipt of survey information, you should undertake further consultation with Natural England.

Natural England Standing Advice

Local Wildlife Sites

You should consider whether your plan or proposal has any impacts on local wildlife sites, eg Site of Nature Conservation Importance (SNCI) or Local Nature Reserve (LNR) or whether opportunities exist for enhancing such sites. If it appears there could be negative impacts then you should ensure you have sufficient information to fully understand the nature of the impacts of the proposal on the local wildlife site.

Best Most Versatile Agricultural Land.

Soil is a finite resource that fulfils many important functions and services (ecosystem services) for society, for example as a growing medium for food, timber and other crops, as a store for carbon and water, as a reservoir of biodiversity and as a buffer against pollution. It is therefore important that the soil resources are protected and used sustainably. Paragraph 112 of the National Planning Policy Framework states that:

'Local planning authorities should take into account the economic and other benefits of the best and most versatile agricultural land. Where significant development of agricultural land is demonstrated to be necessary, local planning authorities should seek to use areas of poorer quality land in preference to that of a higher quality'.

General mapped information on soil types is available as 'Soilscapes' on the www.magic.gov.uk and also from the LandIS website; <http://www.landis.org.uk/index.cfm> which contains more information about obtaining soil data.

Opportunities for enhancing the natural environment

Neighbourhood plans and proposals may provide opportunities to enhance the character and local distinctiveness of the surrounding natural and built environment, use natural resources more sustainably and bring benefits for the local community, for example through green space provision and access to and contact with nature.

Opportunities to incorporate features into new build or retro fitted buildings which are beneficial to wildlife, such as the incorporation of roosting opportunities for bats or the installation of bird nest boxes should also be considered as part of any new development proposal.

Should the proposal be amended in a way which significantly affects its impact on the natural environment then, in accordance with Section 4 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006, Natural England should be consulted again at consultations@naturalengland.org.uk

We really value your feedback to help us improve the service we offer. We have attached a feedback form to this letter and welcome any comments you might have about our service.

5.4 Suffolk County Council

Wenhaston with Mellis Neighbourhood Plan

Thank you for consulting Suffolk County Council on the matter of designating a neighbourhood plan area for a future Wenhaston with Mellis Neighbourhood Plan. The County Council has no objection to the area as proposed in your letter dated 11th February. However, as the plan is developed, appropriate consideration will need to be given to the impacts of proposals on other parishes in the locality.

The Plan may or may not impact on County Council service responsibilities, depending on what the Parish Council is seeking to achieve. If the Plan is likely to impact on any of the County Council's services, such as transport or education (in particular), we would welcome the opportunity to discuss the Parish Council's proposals at an early stage in the Plan's preparation. Potentially relevant County Council services include:

- Highways and transport
- Education (including pre-schools)
- Surface Water Management
- Social Care
- Archaeology
- Fire and rescue
- Libraries
- Waste Infrastructure

Please contact me via the details above if I or my colleagues can be of any assistance.

5.5 Suffolk Coast And Heath AONB

More than happy to comment on a draft. Our comments will relate to conserving and enhancing natural beauty as per our statutory duty

5.6 Blythburgh Parish Council

In response to your question this was discussed at Blythburgh Parish Councils most recent meeting. The outcome was as follows;

Blythburgh are users of many of the facilities in Wenhaston and as such are keen to see these maintained. Facilities include (not a complete list); Post Office; Sports Facilities (playing field); Shop; Public House; Recycling facilities; School; Local Groups and Societies.

Wenhaston is also on the public transport route for buses that serve Blythburgh. It is seen as very important that this route is not impacted.

5.7 Anglian Water

Thank you for the opportunity to input on the draft plan.

Suffolk Coastal Core Strategy was adopted July 2013 and the Planning Authority are currently working on their Site Allocations/Area specific policies. It is noted that in the Issues & Options consultation at the beginning of this year, 5-15 dwellings was the suggested housing allocation for Wenhaston. The next stage (preferred options) consultation is imminent.

Anglian Water are the statutory undertaker for wastewater in the area. Essex & Suffolk Water should be consulted in regard to water supply.

Water Recycling Centre Capacity

The foul flows generated from any future growth in Wenhaston with Mellis hamlet will be served by Wenhaston Water Recycling Centre (WRC) formally known as Sewage Treatment Works.

Sewerage Network

We note the planning application reference DC/14/2069, St Michaels Way for 26 dwellings that Anglian Water were consulted on. We advised that there was sufficient capacity within the foul network to accept the foul flows without the need for upgrades to the existing foul sewerage system.

Infrastructure to serve new development must be planned and implemented before development proceeds (and dwellings occupied).

Surface Water and Flood Risk

Appropriate management of flood risk and the consideration of climate change are critical for long term resilience.

All developments should seek to reduce flood risk and incorporate Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS).

There are no Anglian Water surface water sewers in the area. Under no circumstances will surface water be permitted to discharge to the public foul sewerage network.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any further assistance in preparation of the plan.

6. RESPONSES FROM BUSINESSES

6.1 Ruth McCABE

My business is that of an exhibit artist. I use the internet a lot, having a website and using various social media for publicising my exhibitions and so on. I think our broadband speed probably is very poor in comparison to that available in towns and cities. I assume that all broadband suppliers operate on the basis of making profit, so I don't know how rural areas can become more attractive to them, or whether there are other ways round this issue.

One prime example that affects the Inspired by Becker exhibition is the dreadful broadband availability in the vicinity of the church. Obviously in the stone building we realise there may be problems, but people living in the houses nearby apparently have to go into their gardens to get online. We need a card payment facility for the show, and are hampered because there is barely 1G in that location. Most mobile card systems require 3G.

That's an issue for us only once a year, but must be irritating for people living there.

An issue which arose for me personally last time I did Open Studios was the mystery of the village inhabitant who repeatedly kicked over or pulled out my small fliers fixed to wooden stakes in the roadside verges. I tried not to cause a problem for motorists or pedestrians, nor to affect any properties in choosing where I placed these. It felt really unfriendly and harsh that more than once my fliers were removed. Their purpose was to help visitors including those who have no idea where I live, to get to me. This has put me off doing Open Studios again. If people can't find me what's the point? It also just felt horrible. Why is someone so angry about this? I do not believe youngsters did it. People always blame children for this kind of stuff. I don't know however, how to improve on this kind of thing... seems like there's no way to stop it.

I'm not sure what else could help my business... maybe if local artisans could be invited to have samples of their work somewhere...or a village guide to who makes what. It can be difficult to find space even for posters on the VH board. could there be a "Creative" board for people who live in Wenhaston to use before people from all over the area bags the space?

6.2 Blythburg Pigs

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Broadband is slow and needs development on it. We employ some 24 people on the edge of the village but not one comes from Wenhaston and I do not remember an application from any one from Wenhaston. I am not sure if this is due to a housing shortage or the wrong type of housing but it appears something is wrong from our point of view.

We have had good support from the Rural Police Department. Yes we have had numerous burglaries and vandalism but the response we have had from them has been good.

Jimmy Butler
Partner.
Blythburgh Pigs.

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Mells,
Halesworth,
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FOUR OTHER BUSINESS RESPONSES (Verbal or Phone)

All about the inadequacy of Broadband.

7. RESPONSES FROM LARGE COMMUNITY GROUPS

7.1 Wenhaston with Mells - St Peter's Church –Neighbourhood Plan Community Group Consultation

The church's future

St Peter's Church is currently facing major challenges to its future as its congregation becomes older and frailer. The task of raising money to both to meet its parish share (paid to the diocese to help enable the ministry of the Church), and to cover the running costs and maintenance of the building is enormous. The building itself needs updating to give it better disabled access and to improve its toilet and catering facilities.

There are two types of help needed to secure the church's future. Practical support is needed following ways:

- Help with organising and running fund-raising events, including cooking, baking and giving lifts to people
- Practical help with moving furniture for social events and special services
- Help with minor maintenance of the building and grounds

A more controversial issue is the future of the Church Room. The Church Room is an important part of Wenhaston's heritage: some residents still recall attending or working in the building when it was a school. However, the Church Room is underused, is difficult to access for many people and runs at a loss which St Peter's can no longer sustain. The sale of this building for development would enable St Peter's to update its facilities and carry out current and future repairs.

The church wardens, PCC and congregation are keen to maintain and develop the life of the church within the village. However, it has reached the point where support from within the village is vital if Wenhaston is to have a functioning church building for present and future generations.

7.2 Wenhaston Energy Support Group

Just a couple of thoughts from our WESG meeting today.

Broadband – crucial to have fast broadband properly up and running everywhere in the village, not just in pockets. Also, even the so called fibre optic is not nearly as fast as it should be.

Would be useful to have wi fi at the village hall – especially now that there is a café – but for meetings etc. it would be helpful.

Transport – for a long time WESG has advocated having some sort of community transport – ie a community electric car, with a plug point at the village hall, using the spare capacity from the PV – this could be booked – help people not need two cars – cut down Co2 emissions.

Housing – make Wenhaston a green housing village – with conditions that all new houses need to have renewable energy – i.e. PV, ground source heat pump etc, and have rain water harvesting for use in toilets, etc.

Lighting – street lights, especially in St Michael’s Way, are far too bright – looks like a suburb, not a village. Much softer lighting – better for wild life as well as people.

7.3 Wenhaston Commons Group

Response to the Neighbourhood Plan Survey of interest groups.

1. Wenhaston contains a richly diverse flora and fauna attributable mainly to its five commons, other semi-natural habitats with general or restricted public access, and areas of conservation significance in private ownership.
2. The Wenhaston Commons Group (WCG) oversees management of the commons specifically in accordance with a management plan and works in partnership with the Suffolk Wildlife Trust.
3. WCG also promotes wildlife conservation generally throughout the parish.
4. Relevance of the commons to the NP
5. The Wenhaston commons have both landscape and nature conservation significance. They have influenced the way the village has developed in the past and over decades of management have become structural, heritage, wildlife and recreation assets. The Commons are significant both locally and for the District in these areas.
6. Our response therefore covers landscape, wildlife, access to the countryside and nature conservation issues.

Our vision for the future of the Commons

Five Commons secured ultimately by public ownership, connected to wildlife areas in the wider countryside, linked by wildlife corridors and protected from development, thereby becoming a haven for biodiversity with enhanced wildlife and recreation value as an inheritance for future generations.

The current position:

1. The Wenhaston Commons are managed in accordance with “Caring for the Commons” the ten year plan. This plan covers the period to 2020 and deals with maintenance of the commons so as to achieve the plan objectives. This plan will be reviewed and rolled forward with the aim of securing further funding and to that extent lies outside the remit of the Neighbourhood plan. However we would like the Neighbourhood Plan (NP) to consider inclusion of the following policies.
2. Our vision sees the commons protected from adverse impacts for all time and linked together by wildlife corridors, field margins, hedgerows and woodland in a necklace of natural features. Footpaths and Bridleways could provide a basis for the corridors. The unique character of the Parish would thereby be reinforced.

POLICY 1, PROTECTION OF THE COMMONS

- A. *The Wenhaston Commons will be protected from all development notwithstanding any rights of common which may exist.*
- B. *The immediate boundary of the Commons outside the registered areas will be protected from any adverse impact on their biodiversity from bordering development.*
- C. *Land adjoining or close to the Commons will be protected against any adverse impact on their biodiversity*
- D. *Any new development in the Parish will demonstrate no adverse impact on the biodiversity of the Commons.*

Local Landscape and Biodiversity Areas

1. Outside the immediate boundaries of the Commons our vision requires the linking of areas with wildlife assets to the Commons in a necklace of sites in the wider landscape. These linking areas would be implemented by lease, acquisition, informal agreement or through new development where contributions may be sought for nature conservation objectives. Agreement with landowners through agricultural policy could reserve areas as field margins set aside from crop planting.
2. The areas would have a special designation in the plan.

POLICY 2, AREAS OF LOCAL LANDSCAPE AND BIODIVERSITY IMPORTANCE

Areas of local landscape and biodiversity importance as shown on the Proposals Map will be protected from development. Agreement will be sought with landowners to safeguard these sites from agricultural practises adverse to biodiversity.

A policy is required in order to enhance the wider consideration of nature conservation linked to development :

POLICY 3, BIODIVERSITY

1. *Biodiversity within Wenhaston will wherever possible be protected or enhanced.*
2. *Proposals for development and/or other changes in land use, however they are made, will be examined for their impact upon biodiversity and relevant public rights. Criteria for this process will be:*
 - 2a) *The presence or absence of wildlife on or adjacent to, or otherwise using the site, in particular species for which there are applicable biodiversity action plans;*
 - 2b) *The creation or destruction of sites that link or enhance adjacent or nearby sites of wildlife significance;*
 - 2c) *Existing rights of the public in respect of access to or use of the site.*
 - 2d) *The site's value for recreation, landscape, or visual amenity.*
 - 2e) *Where it is considered that the proposal/s will prejudice or have an otherwise negative effect in any of the above criteria, the proposal/s will be rejected .*

Further Surveys Required

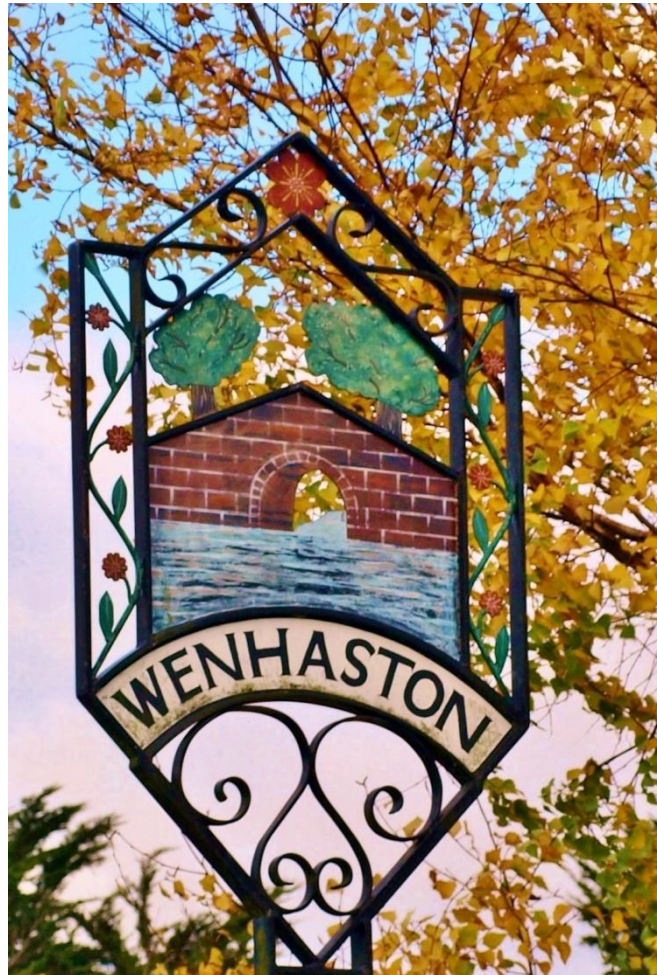
More detailed study of the wildlife assets and potential of land to be included in these policies will be required and WCG are prepared to assist in this.

It is recognised that these proposals will require a wider implementation than that afforded by the development control of the NP. However if the plan included well argued policies reflecting the local importance of the above special qualities of the Parish, they would secure long term protection for our unique assets.

Finally WCG considers that there are a number of other groups with an interest in wider environmental issues in the Parish and particularly our partner the Suffolk Wildlife Trust. It may be considered that it would be worthwhile for the NP planning team to consider setting up and chairing a focus group on the subject. WCG would be willing to nominate a representative on such a group.

Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Parish Council

Neighbourhood Development Plan



Issues and Concerns Results Public Consultation

24th October 2015

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Abstract

Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Parish Council has decided to undertake the process of producing a Neighbourhood Development Plan, as defined in the Localism Act 2011. This plan is to create a vision for the development and use of land within Wenhaston with Mells from 2015 to 2030 related to the views of the residents of the area and consistent with National and Local Planning Policies.

The population of Wenhaston with Mells has been consulted through a full household Issues and Concerns Survey questionnaire. The returned data has been collated and compiled into a presentation format to be used as a public consultation of the results for information and for further comments to be made. The presentation material is given in this document for reference during the production of the final Plan.

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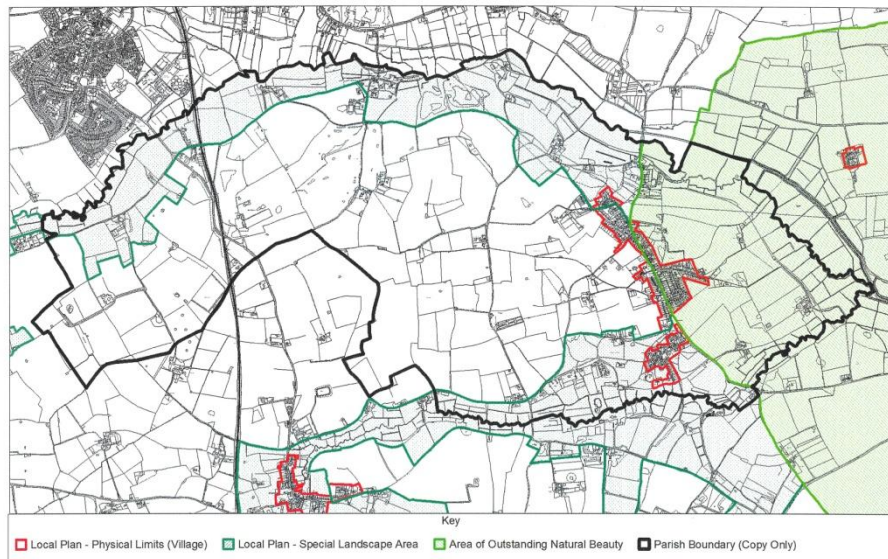
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1. Introduction

Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet is a sprawling parish situated in North Suffolk and at the northern end of the Suffolk Coastal District. It is 8km west of the coast at Southwold and sandwiched between the Blythburgh and Minsmere RAMSAR ^{note} ^a Convention site and the market town of Halesworth. It has large areas in the Suffolk Coast and Heaths Area of Natural Beauty, AONB, Suffolk Special Landscape Area, SSLA, and forms the northern end of the Suffolk Sandlings.

Note a. RAMSAR Convention, 1971, Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Waterfowl Habitat.



The parish comprises about 430 dwellings in total, largely located in Wenhaston Village and Wenhaston Blackheath settlements with three small clusters at Mells and also isolated dwellings. The road from the south east to the north west is about 6.5 km and footpaths and roads from the north east to the south west 3.5km. In total the parish encloses a land area of about 8000 hectares.

Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet Parish Council has decided to undertake the process of producing a Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP), as defined in the Localism Act 2011. This plan is to create a vision for the development and use of land within Wenhaston with Mells from 2015 to 2030 related to the views of the residents of the area.

The initial stage of the NDP is to identify issues and concerns of parishioners but also community assets and aspirations and from this information to develop a ‘vision’ for the future.

2. The Consultation Process

In the first stage of the process the population of the Parish has been consulted by the delivery of 430 questionnaires delivered by hand, one per dwelling, directly to

the resident where possible by volunteers to identify the concerns and issues that should guide the plan. The results of the returns has been reported, Ref 1.

The second stage Parishioner consultation of the results has been carried out through a feedback presentation day where comments on the data were encouraged from attendees for further consideration into the data analysis process.

The presentation data was provided in large visual aids of numeric, graphical interpretation, Appendix A, complimented by a selection of pertinent comments reflecting the approximate ratio of the numeric data. The presentation was given in the village hall and laid out such that the information could be perused easily and provision for comment writing was given. Comments were collected to add to the existing questionnaire comments to be fed into the data analysis stage.

Over 100 people attended the event and there was good interaction between the visitors and the plan team who were on hand to answer questions raised by the data. As an incentive to obtain a good public response an offer of free refreshments was made in the newly opened village hall cafe.



The presentation was arranged around the hall with large display panels mounted on the walls which were arranged in a flow to reflect the questions of the previously circulated whole parish questionnaire. An introductory display panel at the hall entrance was used to give guidance on why the Neighbourhood



Development Plan was being produced, Fig 1, the direction of flow of the information panels relative to the sequence of questions in the original questionnaire, Fig 2, an overall explanatory account of the Neighbourhood Development Plan process, Fig 3, and the proposed use of the data in the development of the plan, Fig 4.

3. Publicity

The consultation event was publicised through the Wenhaston Warbler parish newsletter, on the Parish website www.wenhaston.onesuffolk.com and by display of posters, Fig 5, placed strategically around the parish.

Appendix A - Presentation Display Panel Material

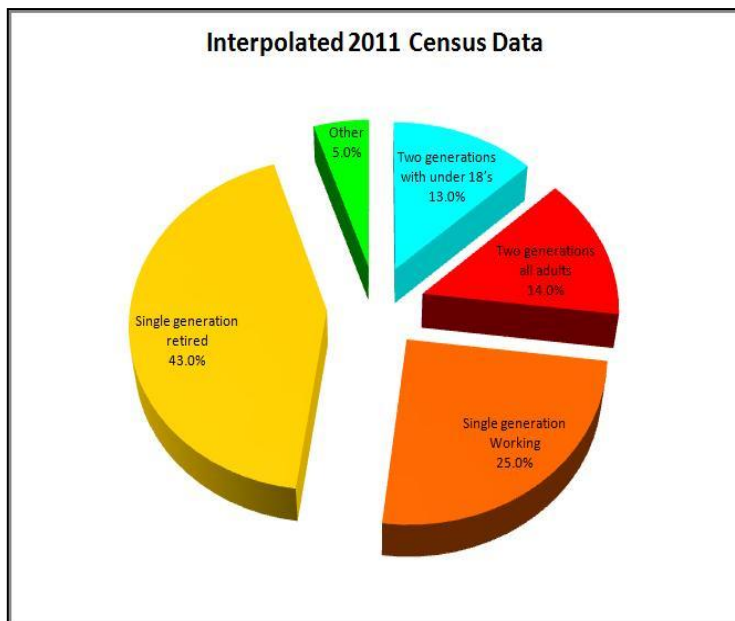
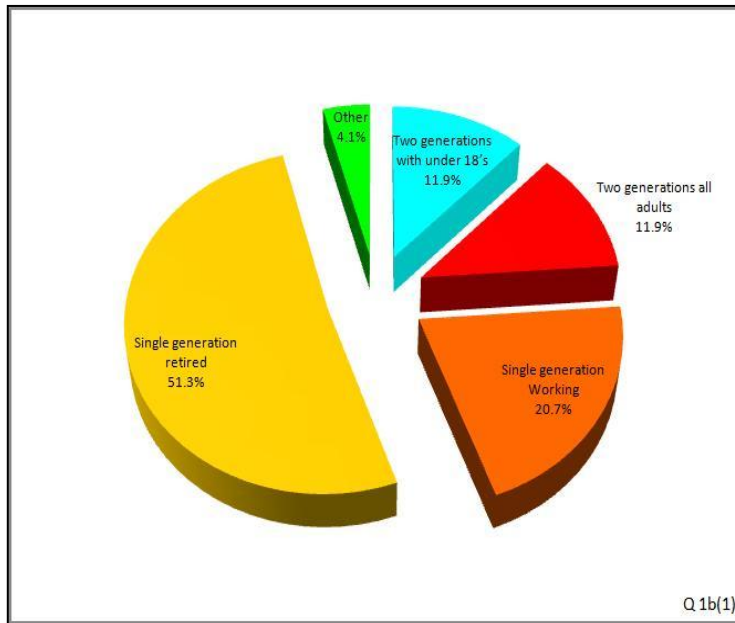
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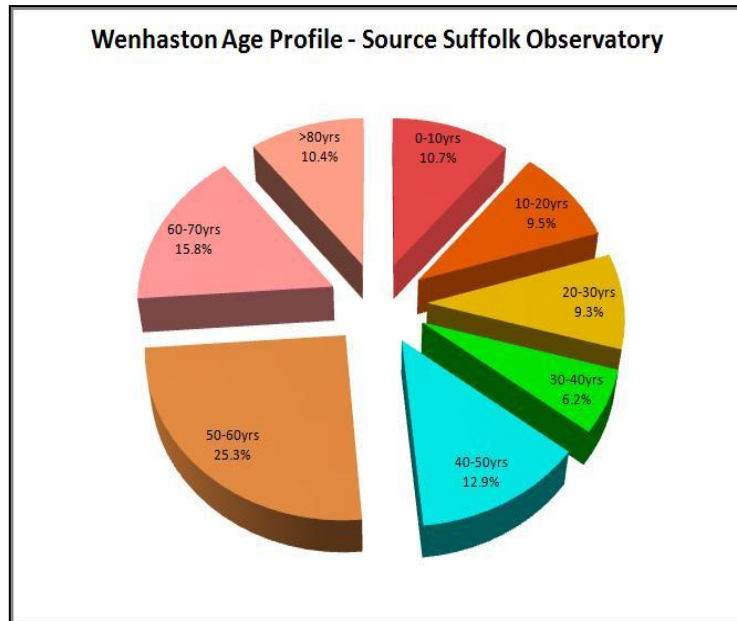
SECTION 1. ABOUT YOU (OPTIONAL).

b) Which statement best describes your household?

Two generations with under 18's	Two generations all adults	Single generation Working	Single generation retired	Other Please state.

Q 1b – About You				
Two generations with under 18s	Two generations all adults	Single generation working	Single generation retired	Other Please state
23	23	40	99	8
11.9%	11.9%	20.7%	51.3%	4.1%





The Neighbourhood Development Plan Consultation

Public Questionnaire

430 delivered – 196 returned – 45.6%

Local Businesses

44 consulted

Interested Parties

19 consulted

Presentation Panel 2a – Information for Questionnaire Section 2a

SECTION 2. OUR PARISH.

a) How important are the following to your quality of life in Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	Not Important 1	2	3	4	Very Important 5	Under 18's enter a number 1 to 5
The scenic beauty in and around the village						
The peace and tranquillity within the village						
The commons and wildlife habitats						
Friendly, safe and quiet environment						
Vibrant and supportive community						
Village amenities and facilities (Church, Pub etc).						
Village activities and groups						
The balance of built and natural landscapes						
Other, please state.						

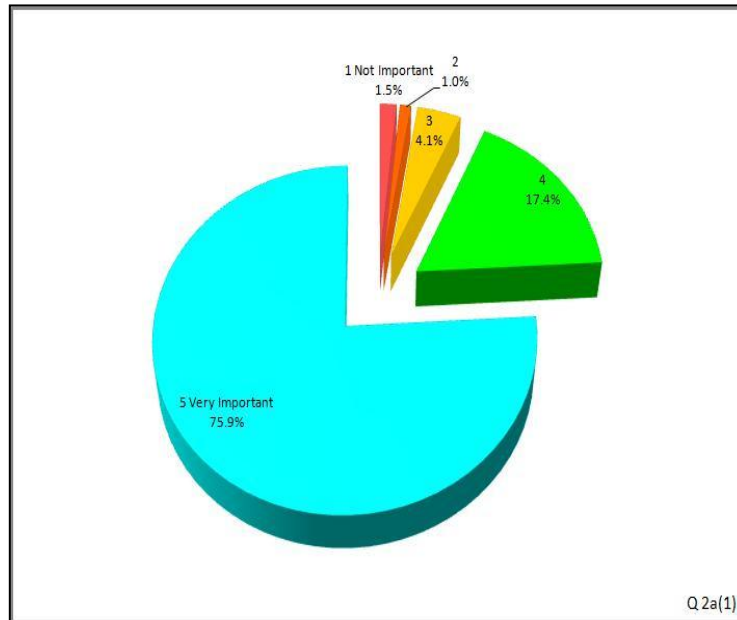
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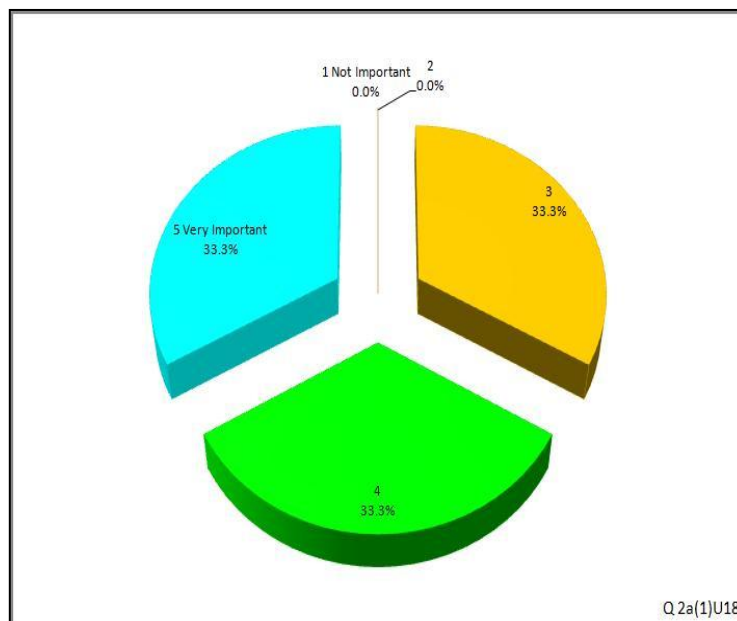
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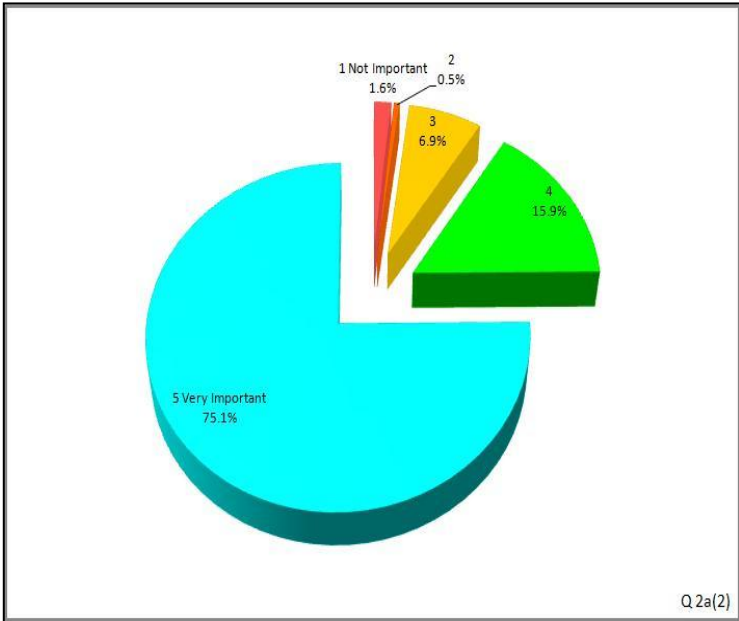
Q 2a(1) - The scenic beauty in and around the village				
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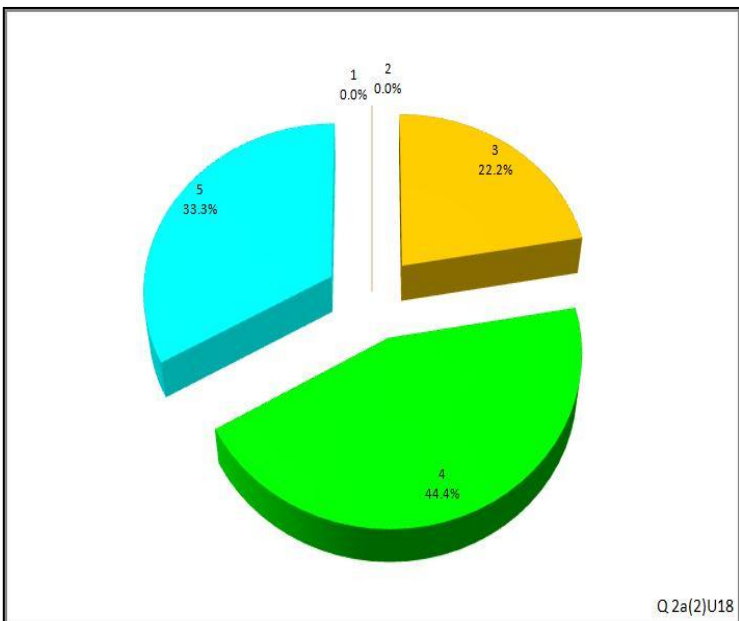
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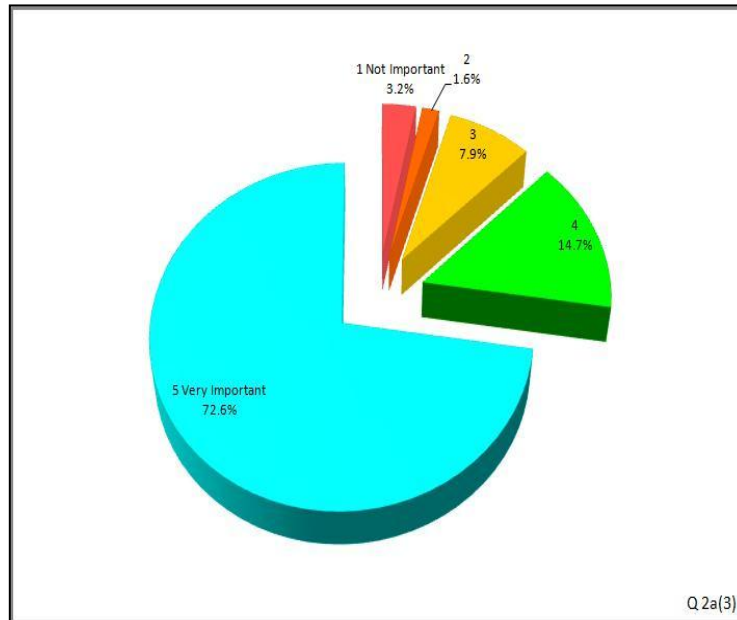
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1 Not Important	2	3	4	5 Very Important
3	1	13	30	142
1.6%	0.5%	6.9%	15.9%	75.1%



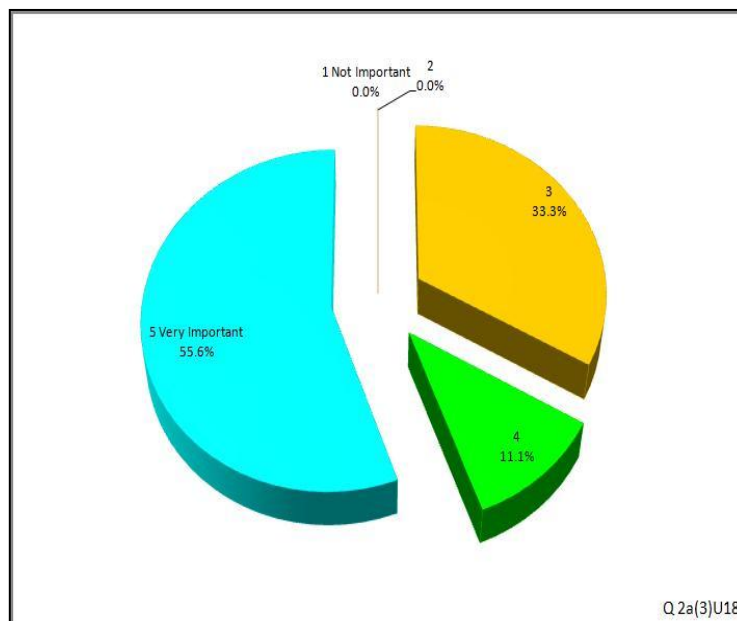
Q 2a(2) - The peace and tranquillity in the village Under 18				
1 Not Important	2	3	4	5 Very Important
0	0	2	4	3
0%	0%	22.2%	44.4%	33.3%



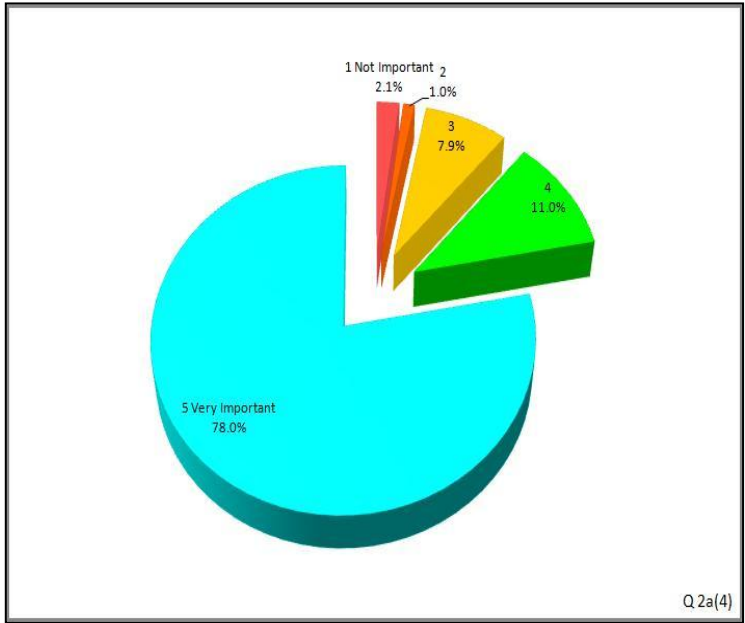
Q 2a(3) - The commons and wildlife habitats				
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6	3	15	28	138
3.2%	1.6%	7.9%	14.7%	72.6%



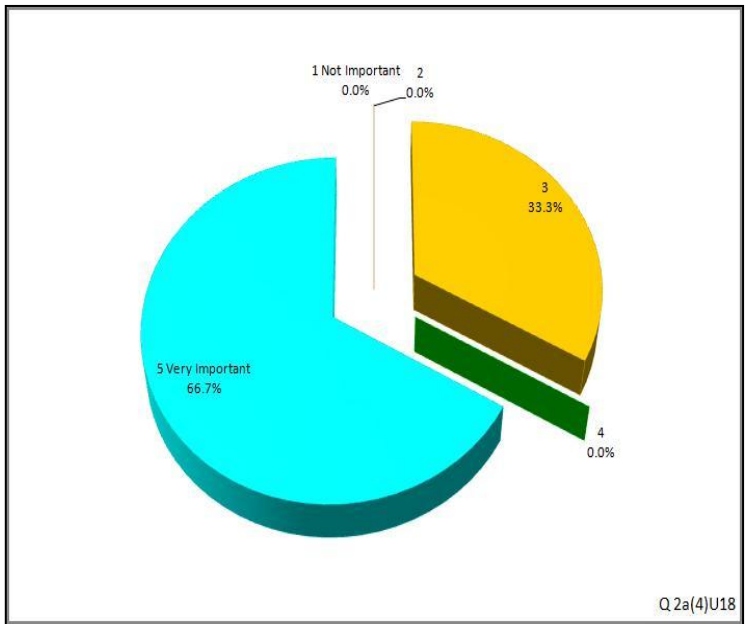
Q 2a(3) - The commons and wildlife habitats Under 18				
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0%	0%	33.3%	11.1%	55.6%



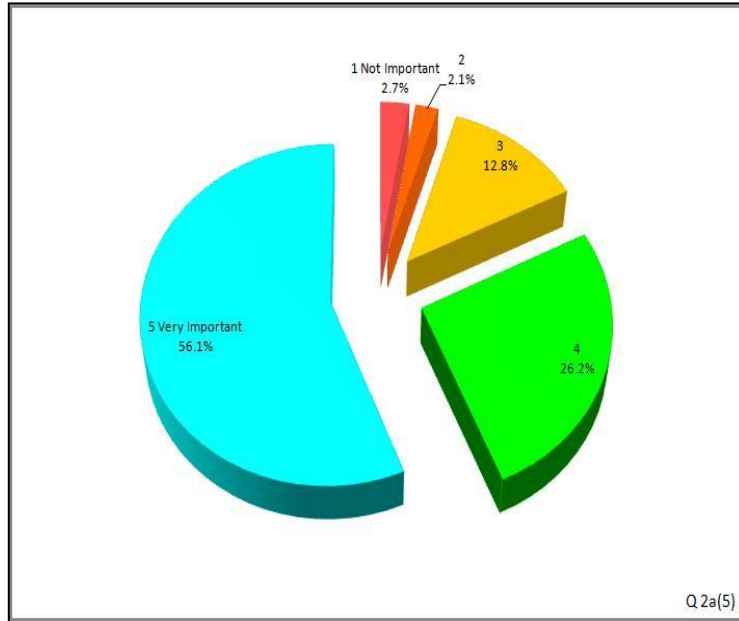
Q 2a(4) - Friendly, safe and quiet environment				
1 Not Important	2	3	4	5 Very Important
4	2	15	21	149
2.1%	1%	7.9%	11%	78%



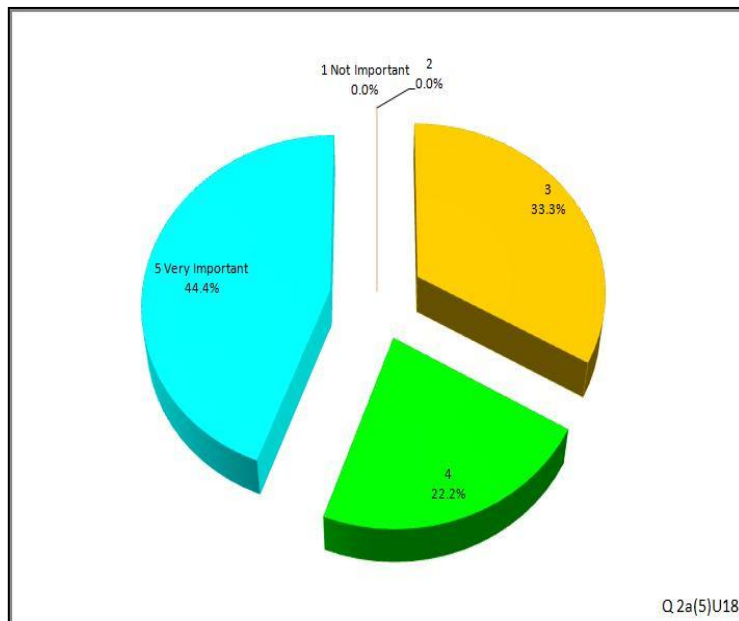
Q 2a(4) - Friendly, safe and quiet environment Under 18				
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0%	0%	33.3%	0%	66.7%



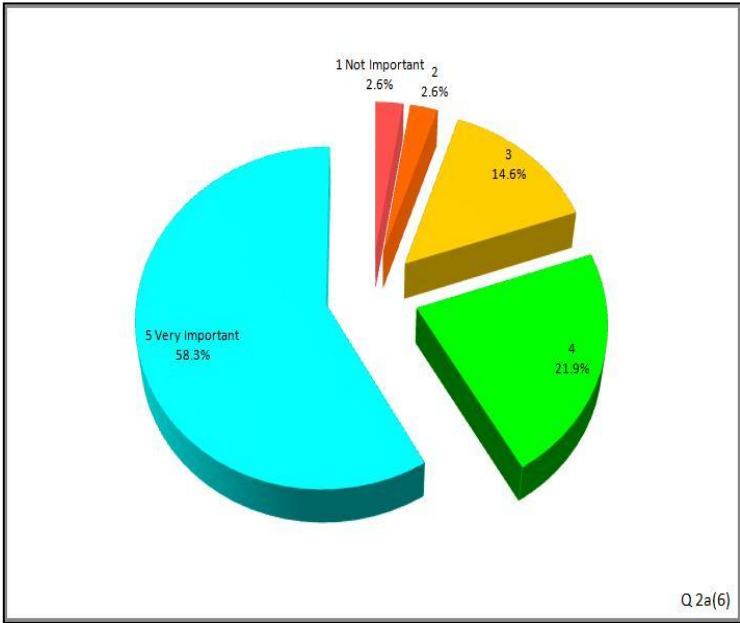
Q 2a(5) - Vibrant and supportive community				
1 Not Important	2	3	4	5 Very Important
5	4	24	49	105
2.7%	2.1%	12.8%	26.2%	56.1%



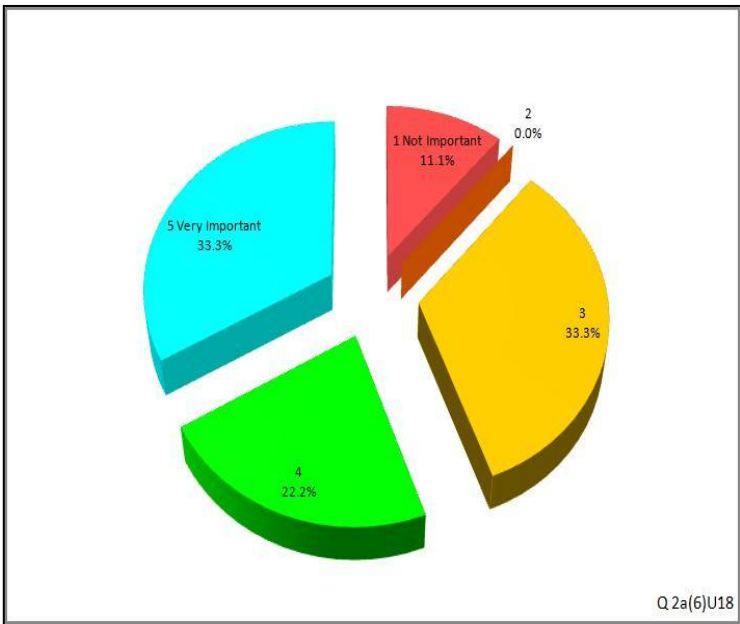
Q 2a(5) - Vibrant and supportive community Under 18				
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0	0	3	2	4
0%	0%	33.3%	22.2%	44.4%



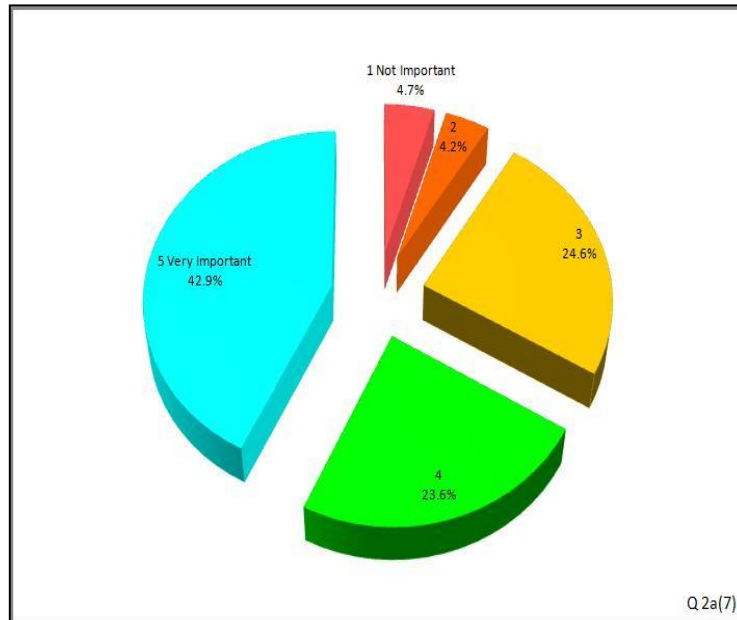
Q 2a (6) - Village amenities and facilities (Church, Pub etc.)				
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5	5	28	42	112
2.6%	2.6%	14.6%	21.9%	58.3%



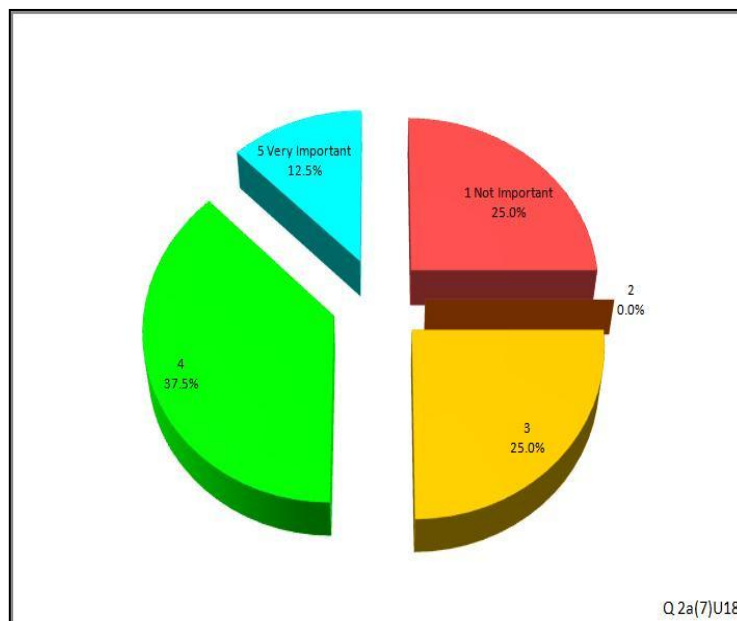
Q 2a (6) - Village amenities and facilities (Church, Pub etc.) Under 18				
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1	0	3	2	3
11.1%	0%	33.3%	22.2%	33.3%



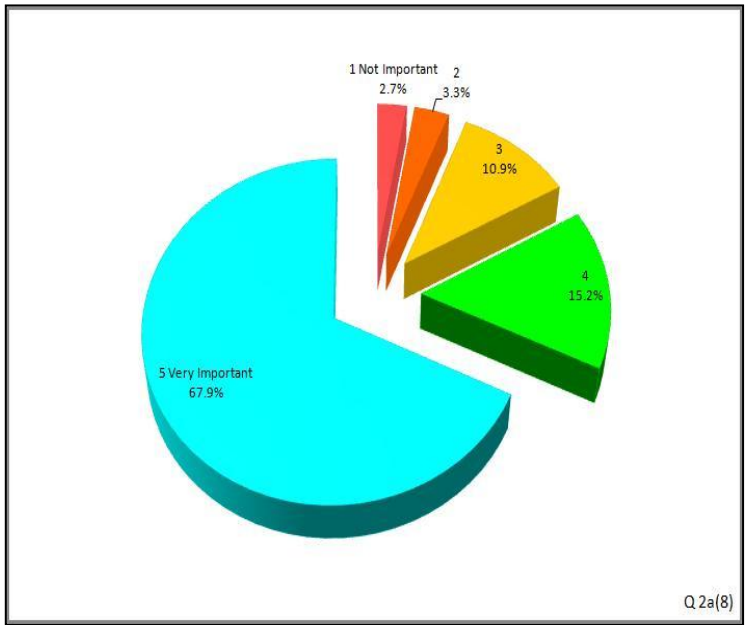
Q 2a(7) - Village activities and groups				
1 Not Important	2	3	4	5 Very Important
9	8	47	45	82
4.7%	4.2%	24.6%	23.6%	42.9%



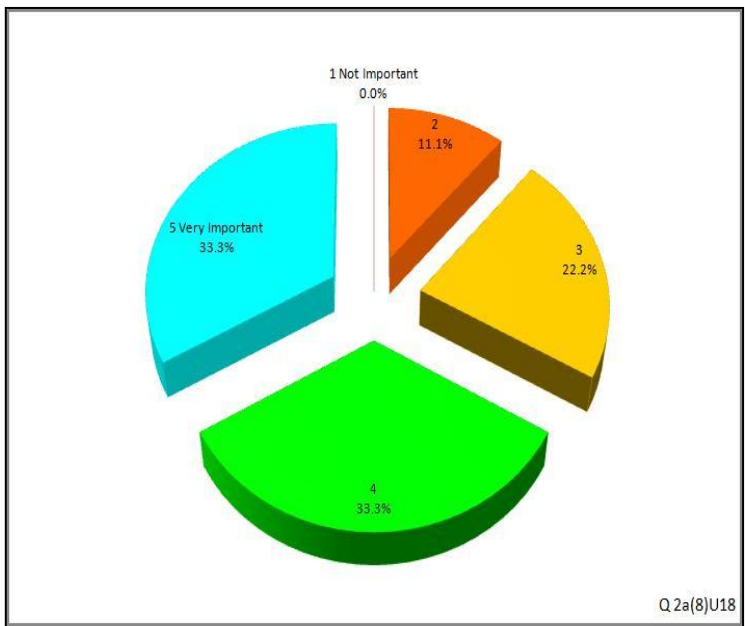
Q 2a(7) - Village activities and groups Under 18				
1 Not Important	2	3	4	5 Very Important
2	0	2	3	1
25.0%	0%	25.0%	37.5%	12.5%



Q 2a(8) - The balance of built and natural landscapes				
1 Not Important	2	3	4	5 Very Important
5	6	20	28	125
2.7%	3.3%	10.9%	15.2%	67.9%



Q 2a(8) - The balance of built and natural landscapes Under 18				
1 Not Important	2	3	4	5 Very Important
0	1	2	3	3
0%	11.1%	22.2%	33.3%	33.3%



Presentation Panel 2b – Information for Questionnaire Section 2b

SECTION 2. OUR PARISH.

b) Which of the following village amenities do you use?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	Never 1	Daily 2	Weekly 3	Monthly 4	Yearly 5	Under 18's 1 to 5
Village groups and associations						
Post Office						
Heathside Store						
Church and Church groups						
Pub						
Playing field and sports equipment						
Primary School and Pre-School						
Fish and Chip van						
Commons, footpaths and open spaces						
Other, please state						

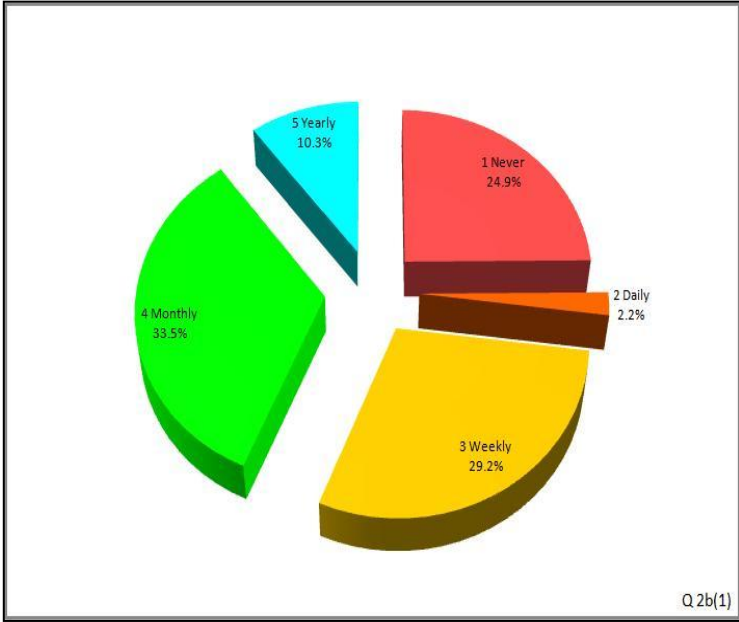
Comments: If there are some you never use, is there a reason for this?

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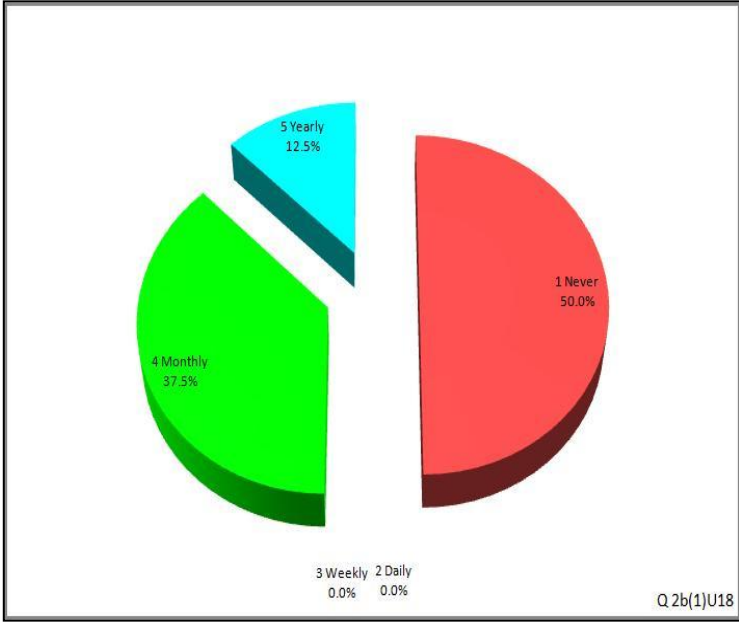
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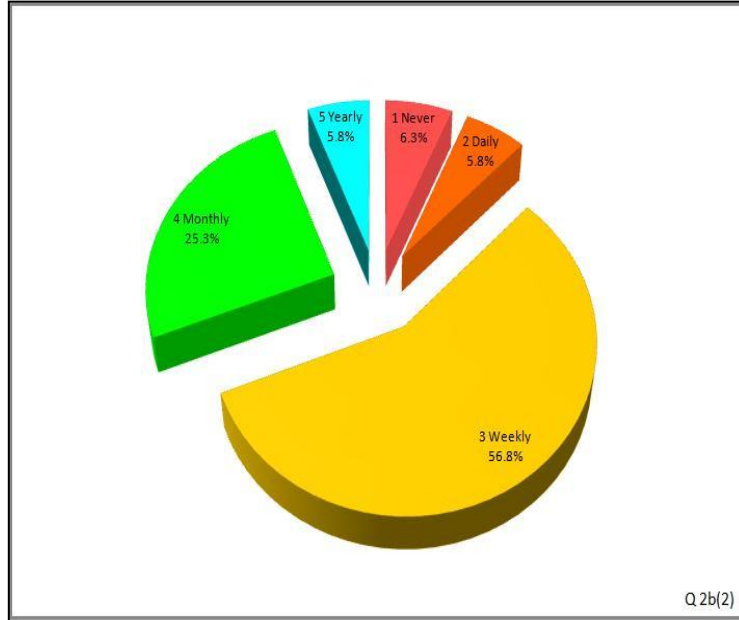
Q 2b(1) - Village groups and associations				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
46	4	54	62	19
24.9%	2.2%	29.2%	33.5%	10.3%



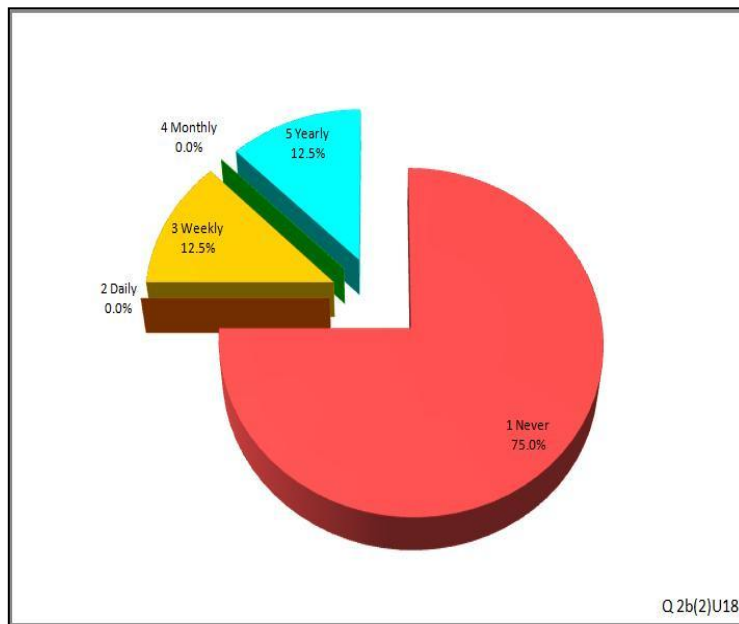
Q 2b(1) - Village groups and associations Under 18				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
4	0	0	3	1
50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	37.5%	12.5%



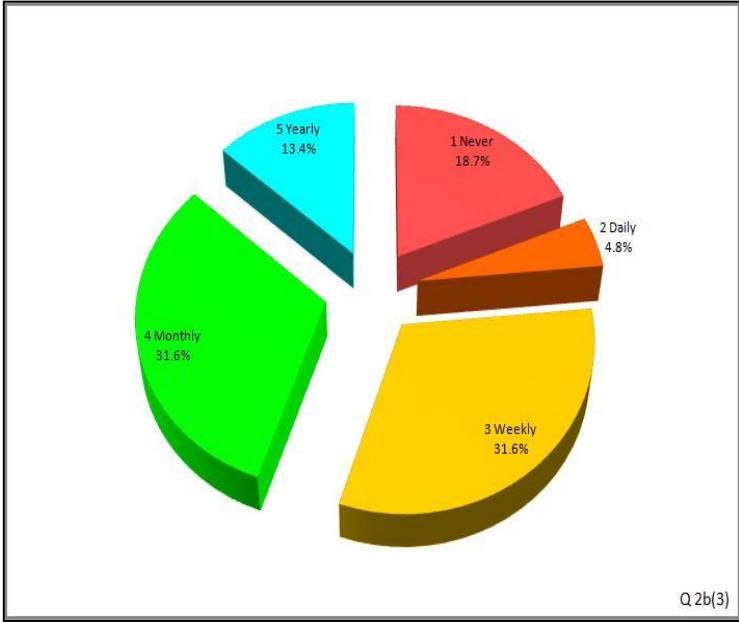
Q 2b(2) - Post Office				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
12	11	108	48	11
6.3%	5.8%	56.8%	25.3%	5.8%



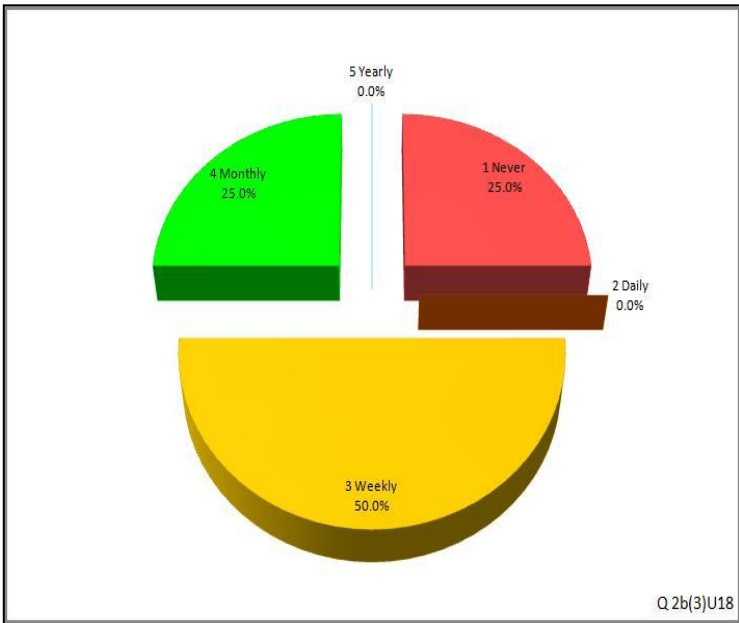
Q 2b(2) - Post Office Under 18				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
6	0	1	0	1
75.0%	0.0%	12.5%	0.0%	12.5%



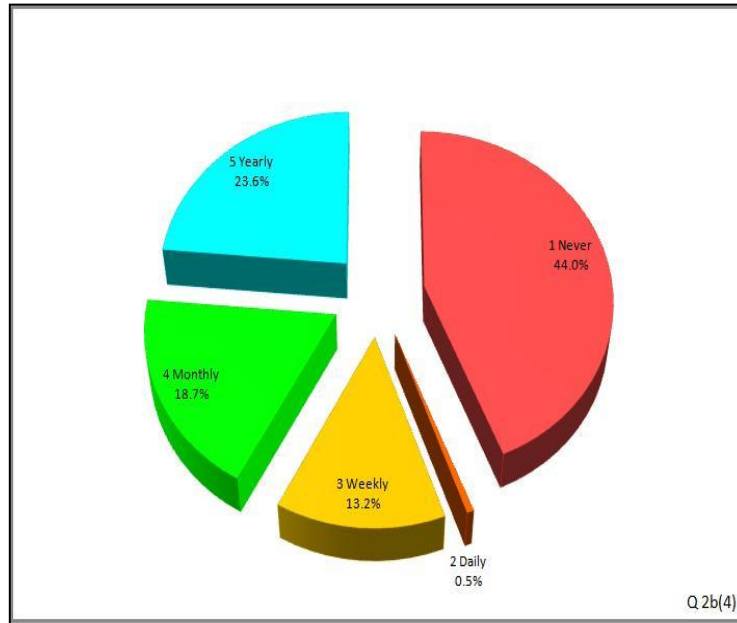
Q 2b(3) - Heathside Stores				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
35	9	59	59	25
18.7%	4.8%	31.6%	31.6%	13.4%



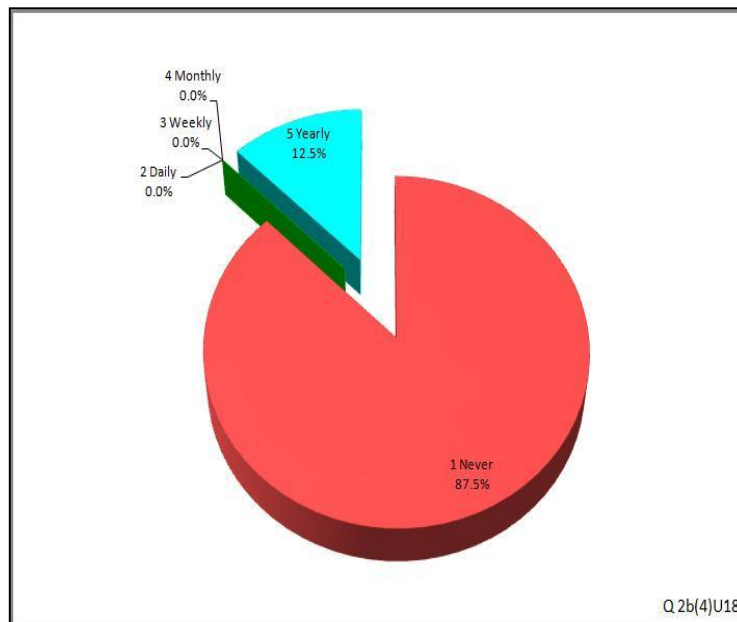
Q 2b(3) - Heathside Stores Under 18				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
2	0	4	2	0
25.0%	0.0%	50.0%	25.0%	0.0%



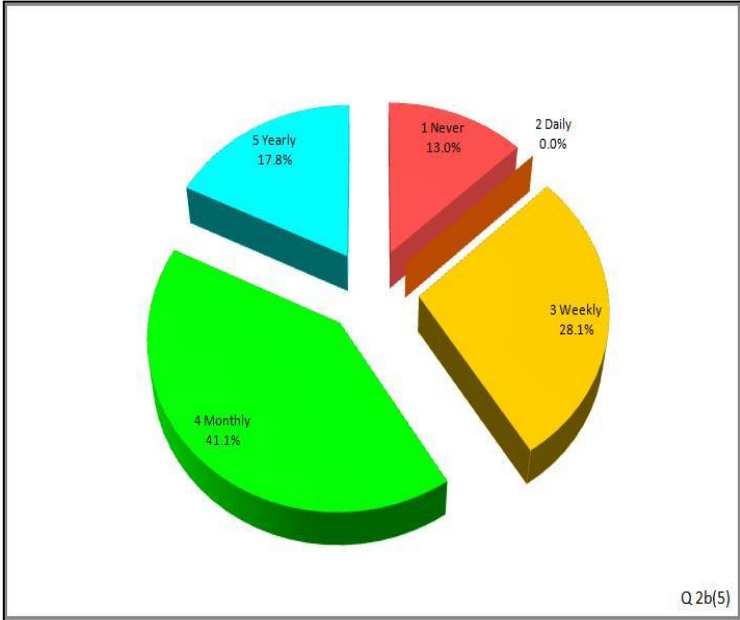
Q 2b(4) - Church and Church groups				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
80	1	24	34	43
44%	0.5%	13.2%	18.7%	23.6%



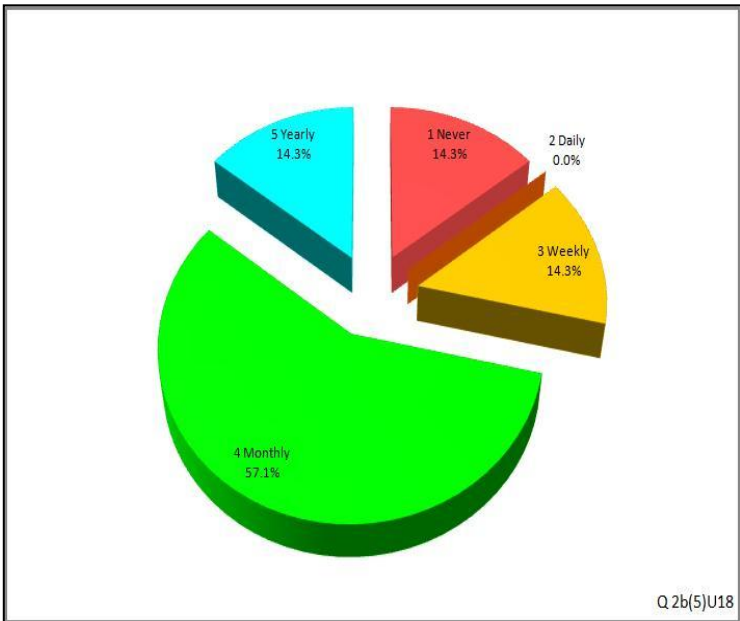
Q 2b(4) - Church and Church groups Under 18				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
7	0	0	0	1
87.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	12.5%



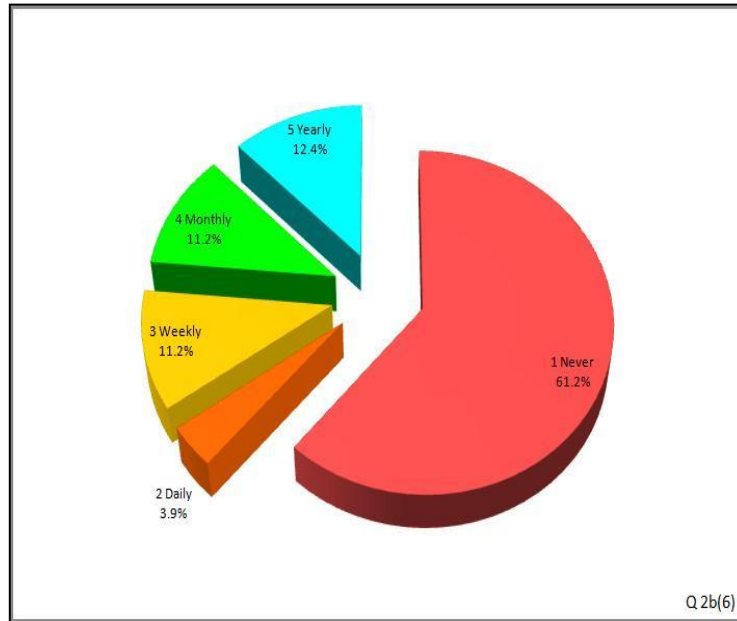
Q 2b(5) - Pub				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
24	0	52	76	33
13%	0%	28.1%	41.1%	17.8%



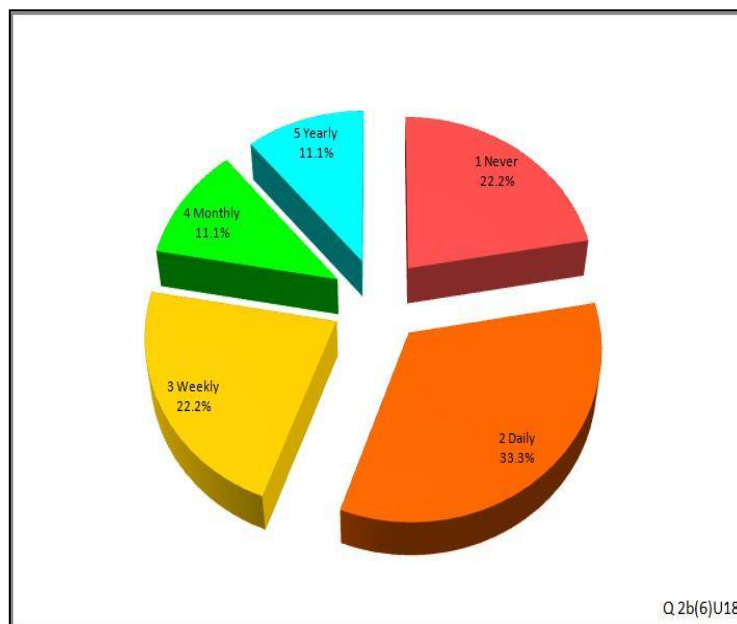
Q 2b(5) – Pub Under 18				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
1	0	1	4	1
14.4%	0.0%	14.3%	57.1%	14.3%



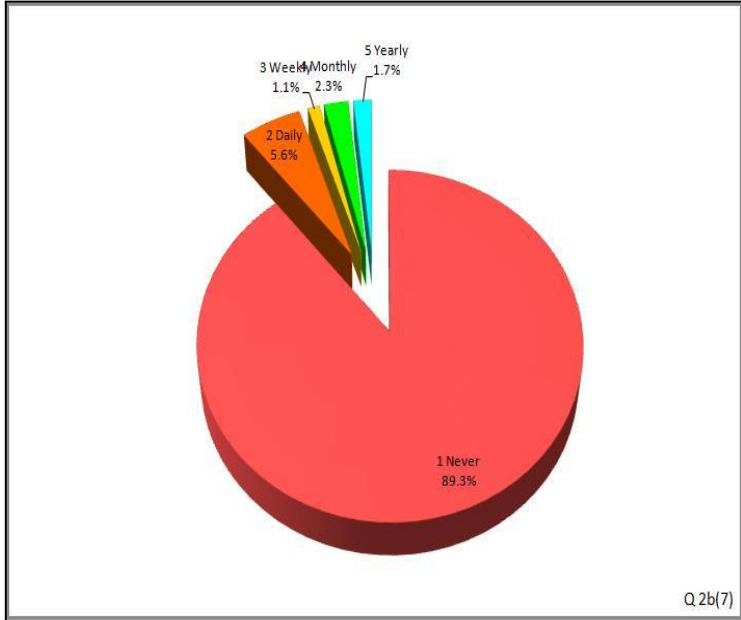
Q 2b(6) - Playing field and sports equipment				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
109	7	20	20	22
61.2%	3.9%	11.2%	11.2%	12.4%



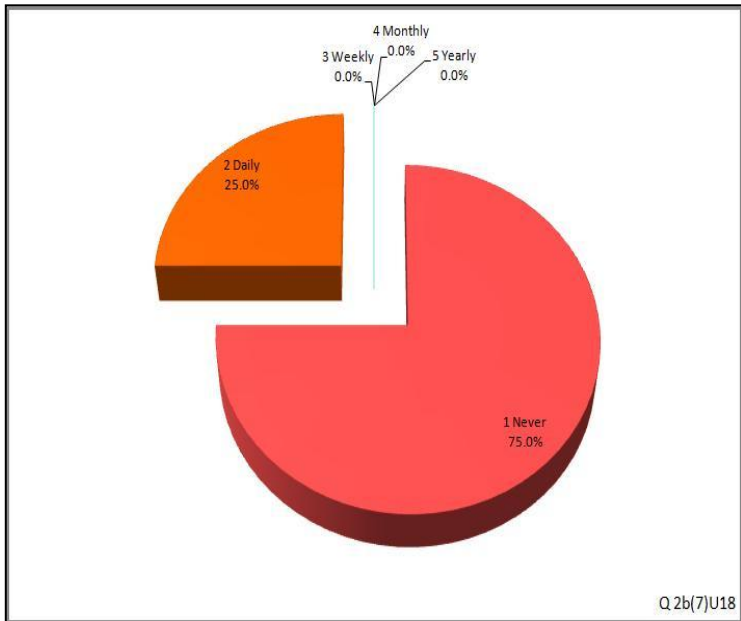
Q 2b(6) - Playing field and sports equipment Under 18				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
2	3	2	1	1
22.2%	33.3%	22.2%	11.1%	11.1%



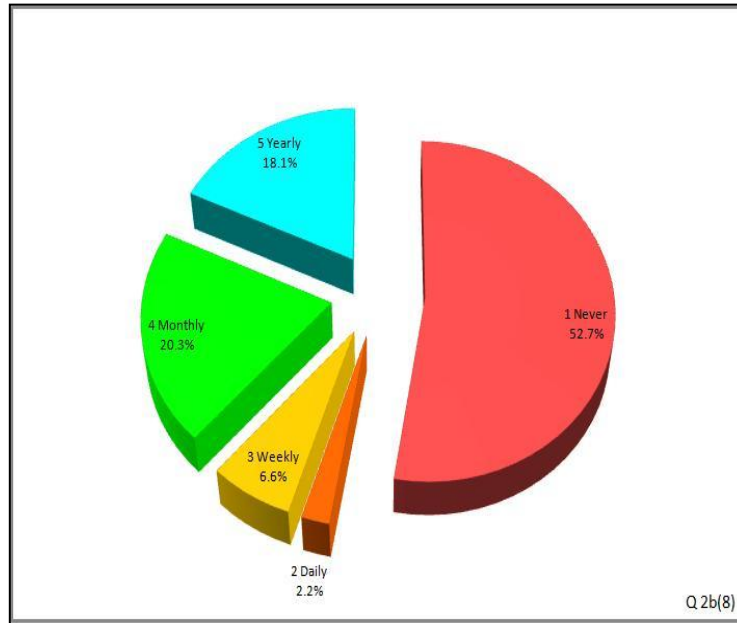
Q 2b(7) - Primary School and Pre-School				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
158	10	2	4	3
89.3%	5.6%	1.1%	2.3%	1.7%



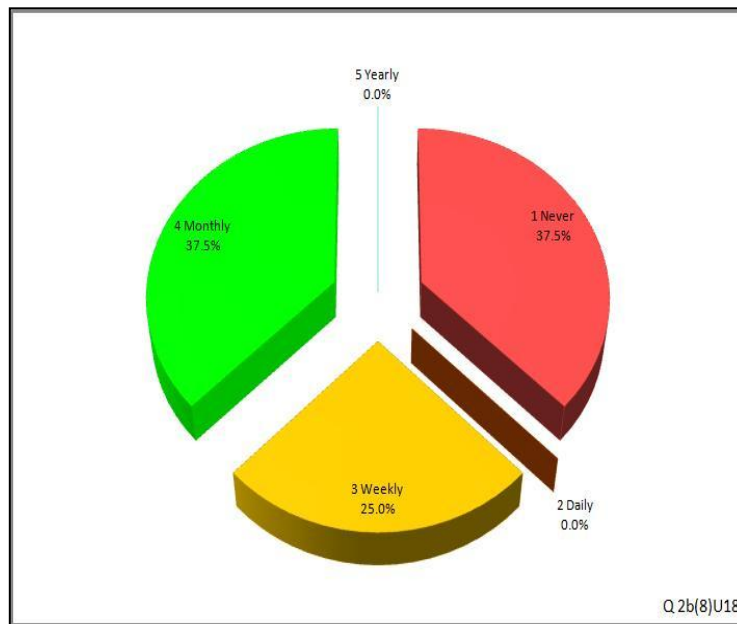
Q 2b(7) - Primary School and Pre-School Under 18				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
6	2	0	0	0
75.0%	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%



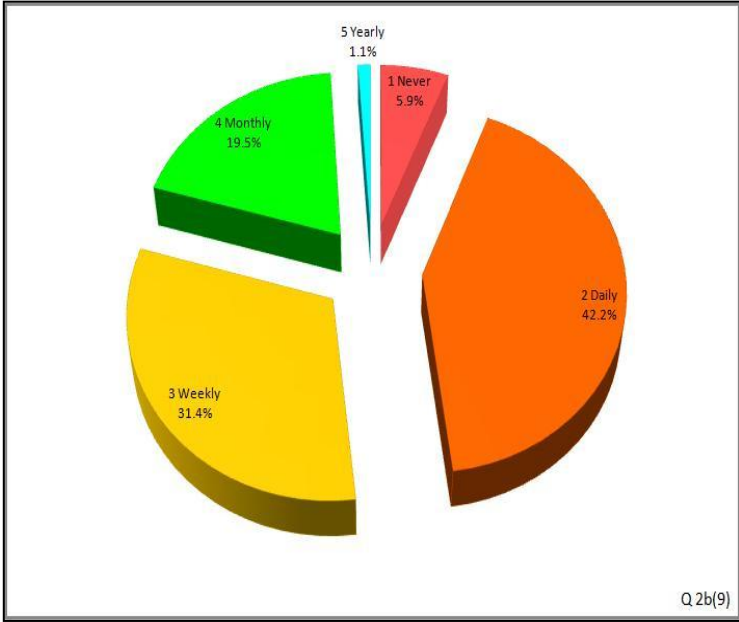
Q 2b(8) - Fish and Chip van				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
96	4	12	37	33
52.7%	2.2%	6.6%	20.3%	18.1%



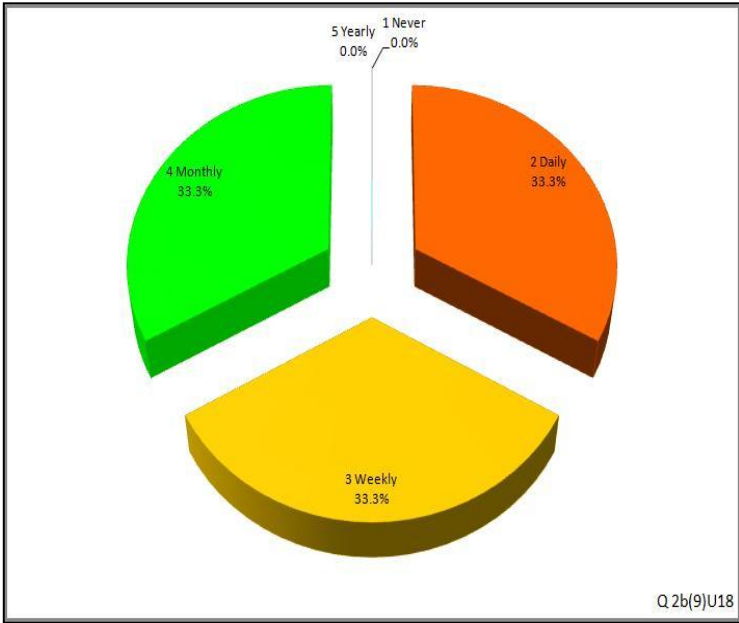
Q 2b(8) - Fish and Chip van Under 18				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
3	0	2	3	0
37.5%	0.0%	25.0%	37.5%	0.0%



Q 2b(9) - Commons, footpaths and open spaces				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
11	78	58	36	2
5.9%	42.2%	31.4%	19.5%	1.1%



Q 2b(9) - Commons, footpaths and open spaces Under 18				
1 Never	2 Daily	3 Weekly	4 Monthly	5 Yearly
0	3	3	3	0
0.0%	33.3%	33.3%	33.3%	0.0%



Presentation Panel 3a – Information for Questionnaire Section 3a

SECTION 3. HOUSING

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a) In which of the following do you currently live and how might this change over the next 15 years?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	NOW		FUTURE		FUTURE U18's	
	Owned	Rented	Owned	Rented	Owned	Rented
Bungalow						
House, 2 bedrooms or less						
House, 3 bedrooms or more						
Sheltered accommodation						
Affordable/social housing						
Eco house						
Other, please specify						
Move from Wenhaston (Give reason)						

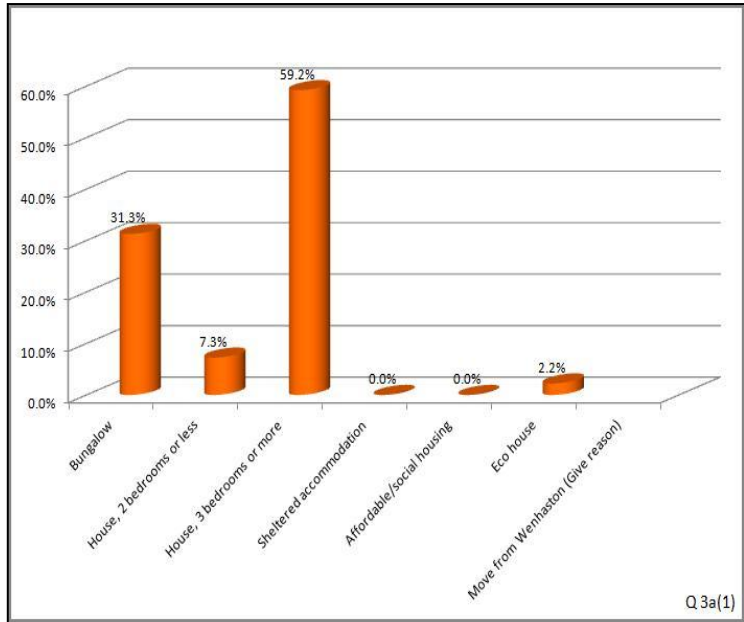
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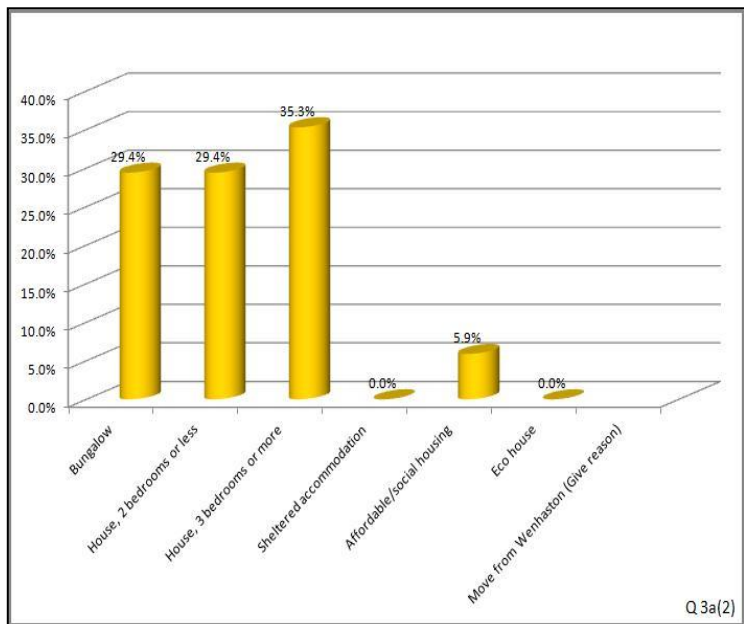
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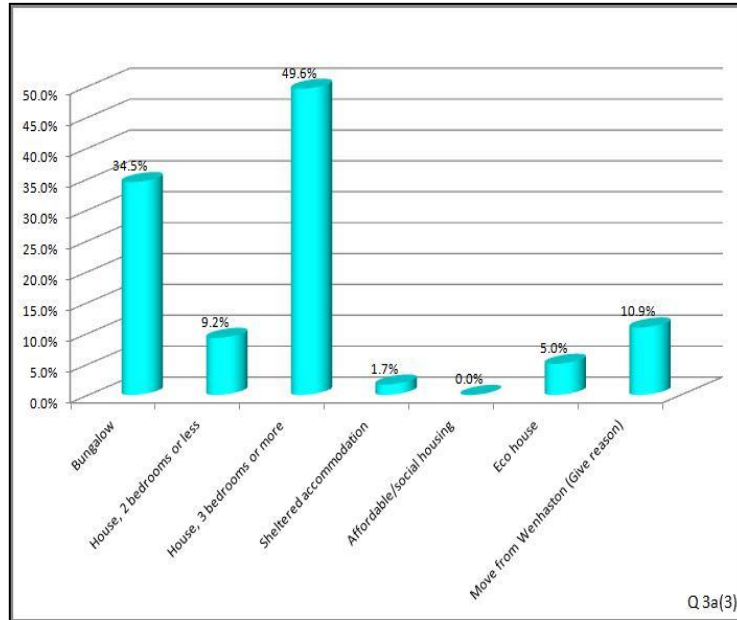
Q 3a(1) – Now - Owned					
Bungalow	House, 2 bedrooms or less	House, 3 bedrooms or more	Sheltered Accommodation	Affordable / social Housing	Eco House
56	13	106			4
31.3%	7.3%	59.2%			2.2%



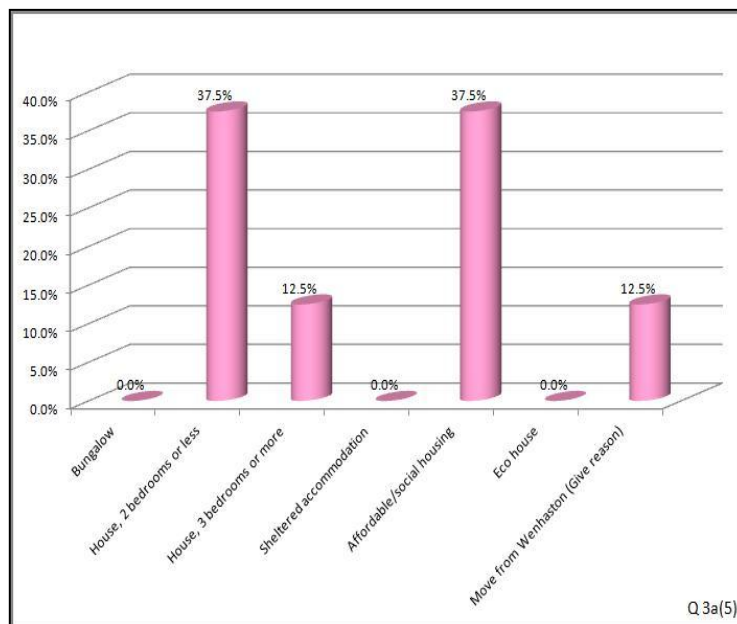
Q 3a(2) – Now - Rented					
Bungalow	House, 2 bedrooms or less	House, 3 bedrooms or more	Sheltered Accommodation	Affordable / social Housing	Eco House
5	5	6		1	
29.4%	29.4%	35.3%		5.9%	



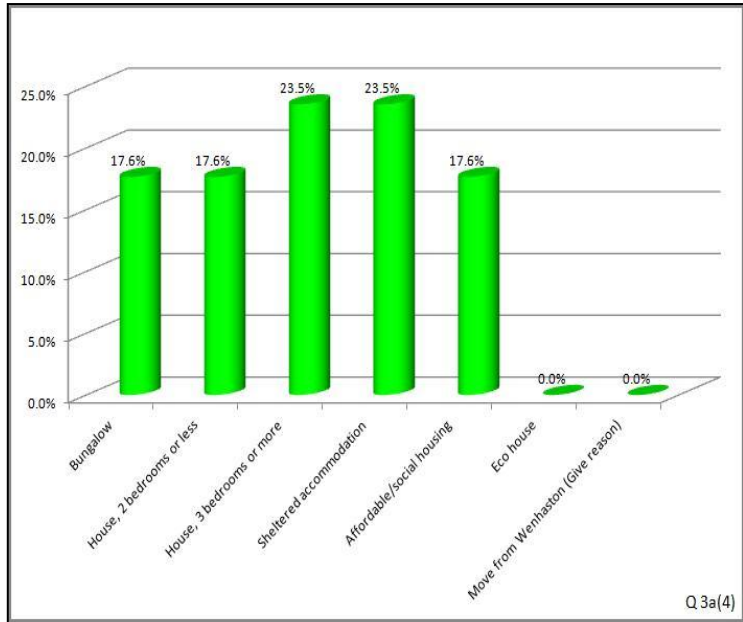
Q 3a(3) – Future - Owned						
Bungalow	House, 2 bedrooms or less	House, 3 bedrooms or more	Sheltered Accommodation	Affordable / social Housing	Eco House	Move from Wenhaston
41	11	59	2		6	13
34.5%	9.2%	49.6%	1.7%		5%	10.9%



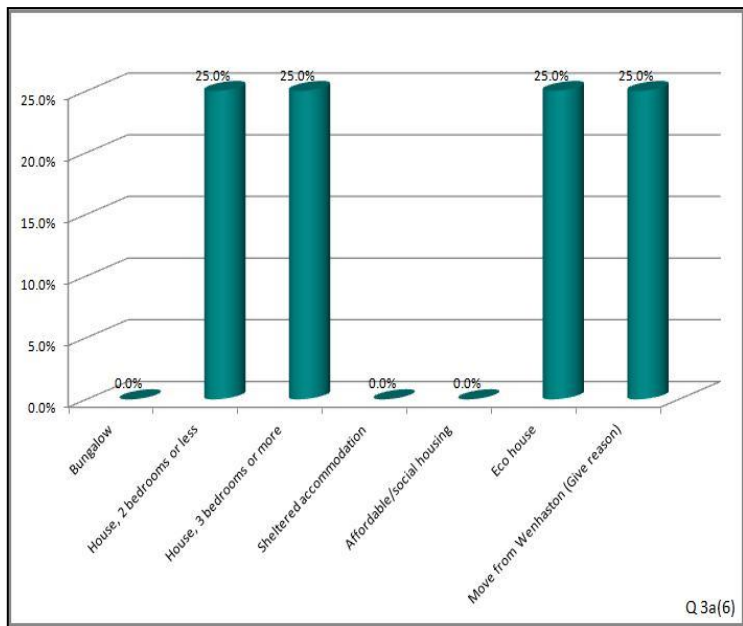
Q 3a(5) – Future – Owned (Under 18)						
Bungalow	House, 2 bedrooms or less	House, 3 bedrooms or more	Sheltered Accommodation	Affordable / social Housing	Eco House	Move from Wenhaston
	3	1		3		1
	7.3%	59.2%				



Q 3a(4) – Future - Rented					
Bungalow	House, 2 bedrooms or less	House, 3 bedrooms or more	Sheltered Accommodation	Affordable / social Housing	Eco House
3	3	4	4	3	
17.6%	17.6%	23.5%	23.5%	17.6%	



Q 3a(6) – Future – Rented (Under 18)						
Bungalow	House, 2 bedrooms or less	House, 3 bedrooms or more	Sheltered Accommodation	Affordable / social Housing	Eco House	Move from Wenhaston
	1	1			1	1
	25%	25%			25%	25%



Presentation Panel 3b – Information for Questionnaire Section 3b

SECTION 3. HOUSING

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b) How important are the following to the housing development of Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet over the next 15 years? Please refer to map with settlement boundary inside the front cover.

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	Agree	Disagree	Under 18's Agree or Disagree
New housing should only be allowed to meet local needs			
New accommodation should primarily come from refurbishment, rebuild and one for one replacement			
Infill and small groups of housing may be allowed OUTSIDE the physical limits boundary (village envelope)			
Infill and small groups of housing may only be allowed INSIDE the physical limits boundary (village envelope)			
Wenhaston with Mells is already about the right size			
No further development is needed			
Other. Please state			

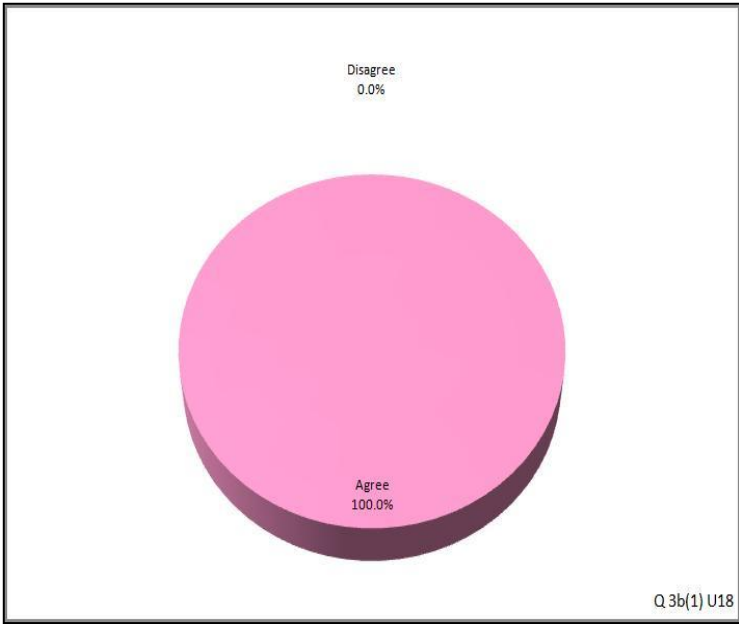
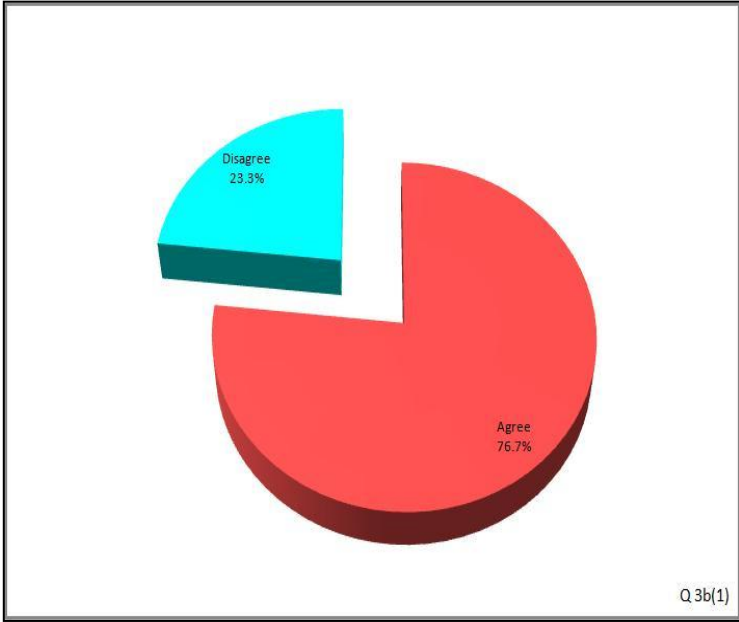
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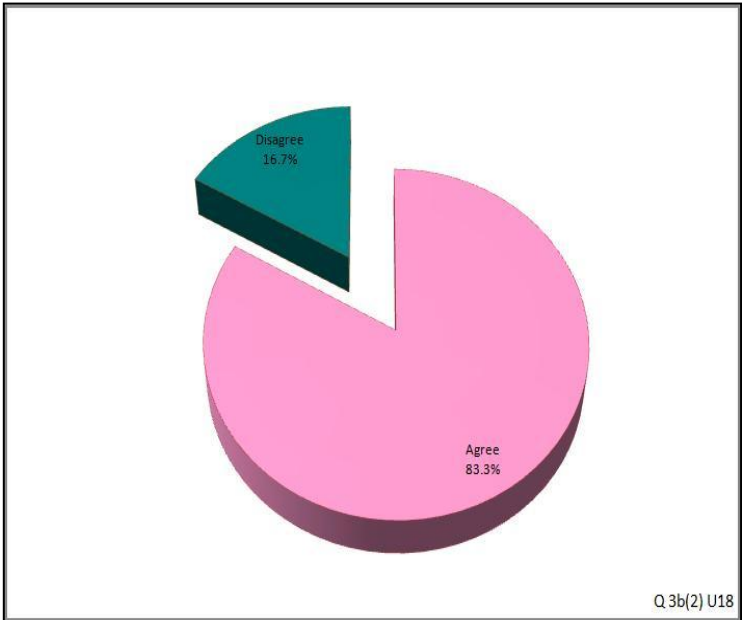
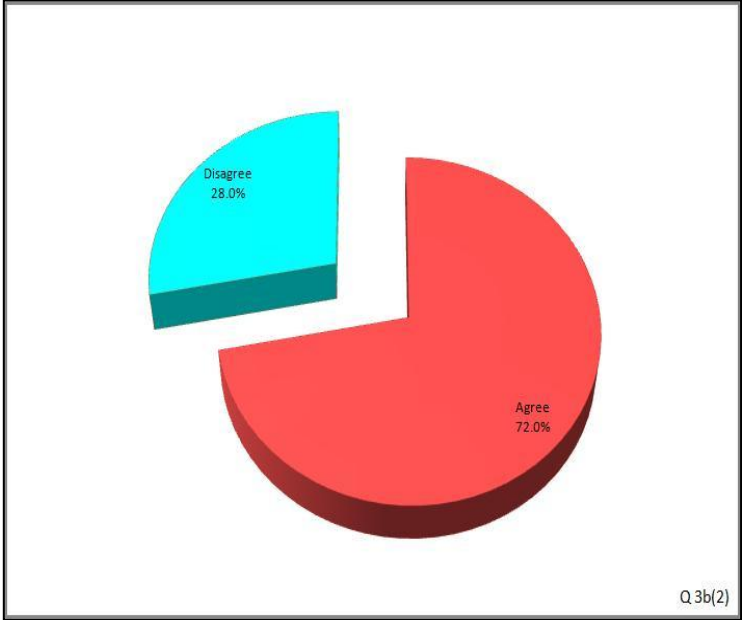
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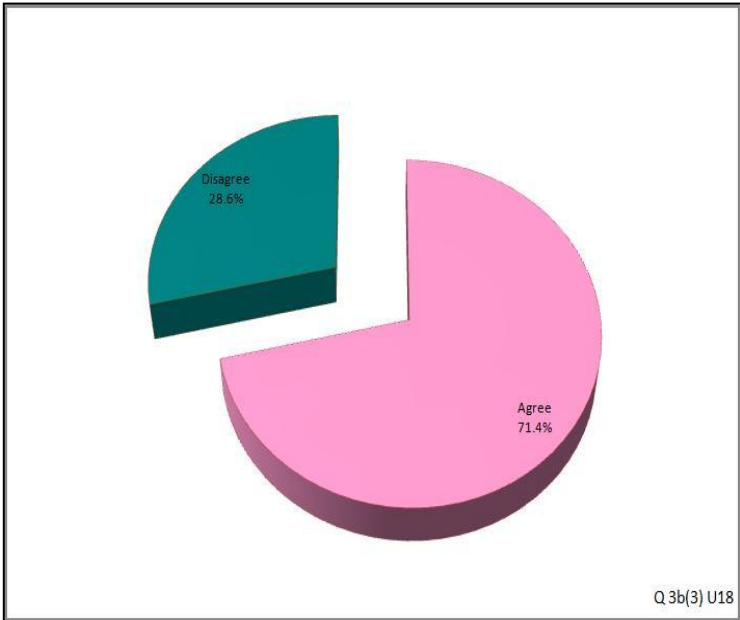
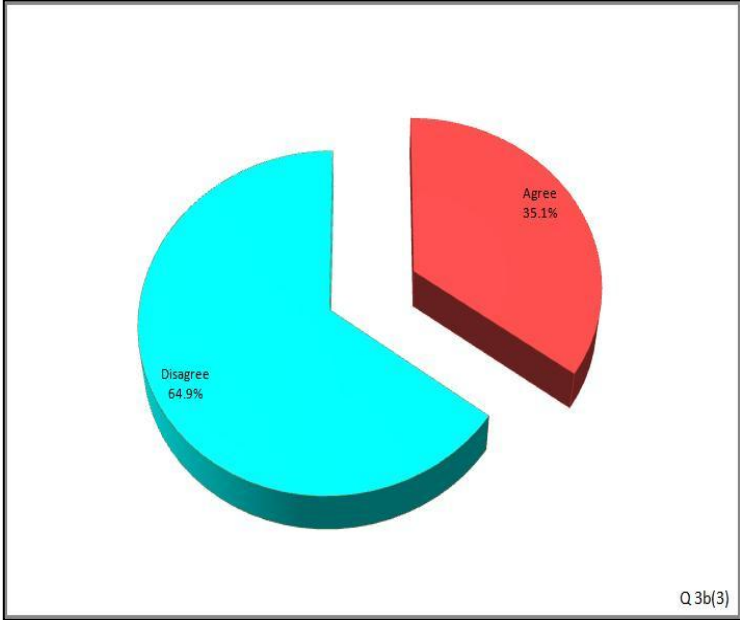
Q 3b(1) – New housing should only be allowed to meet local needs			
Agree	Disagree	Agree U18	Disagree U18
138	42	6	0
76.7%	23.3%	100%	0%



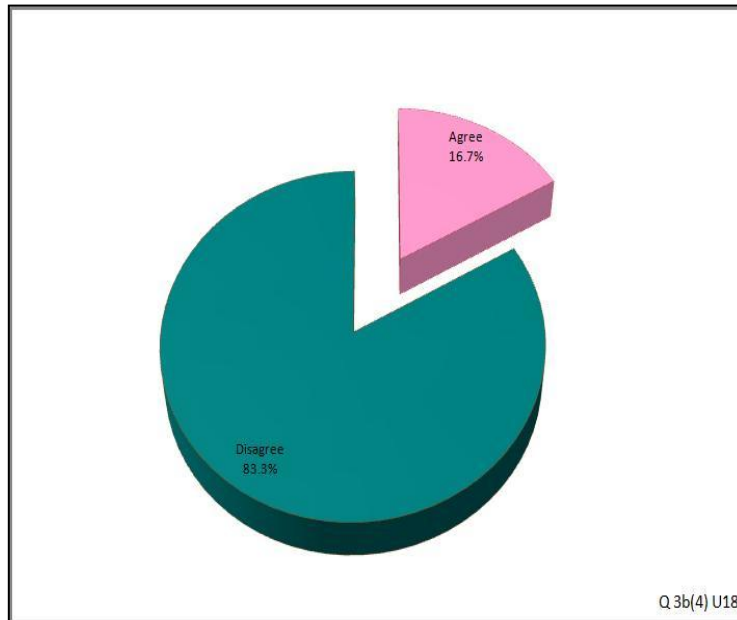
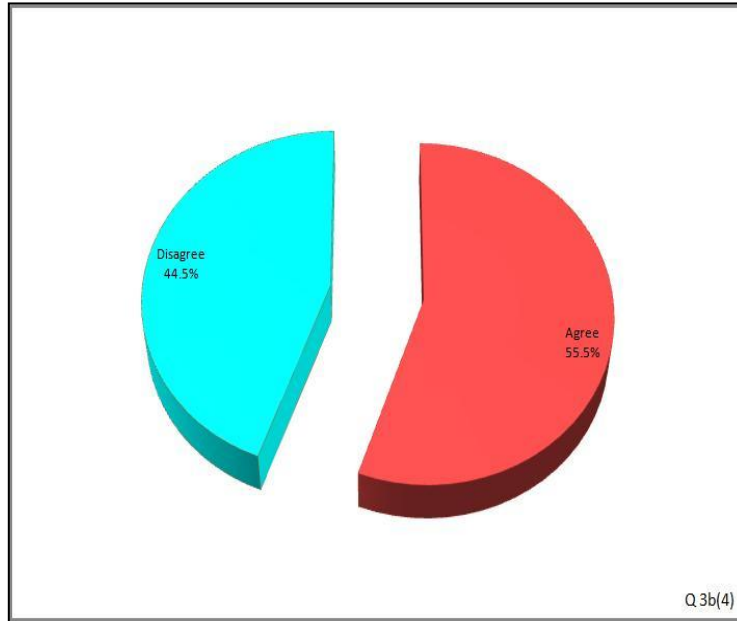
Q 3b(2) – New accommodation should come from refurbishment, rebuild and one for one replacement			
Agree	Disagree	Agree U18	Disagree U18
126	49	5	1
72.0%	28.0%	83.8%	16.7%



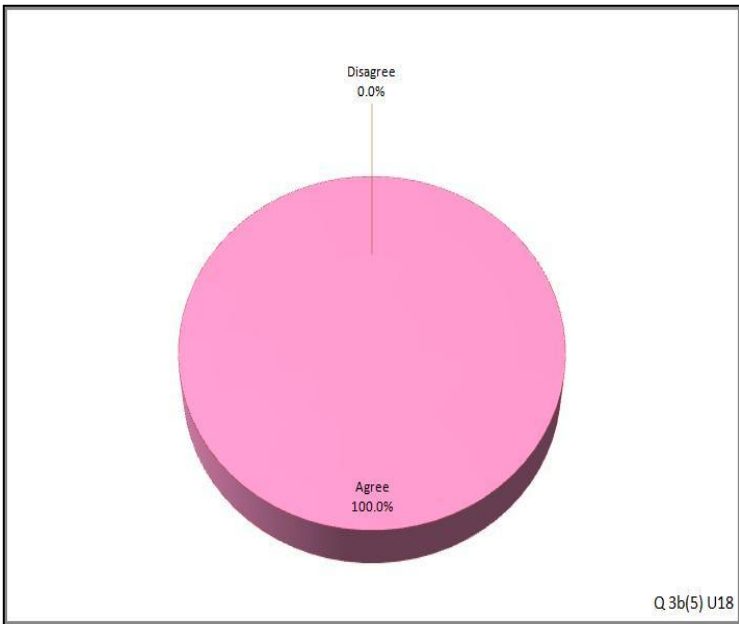
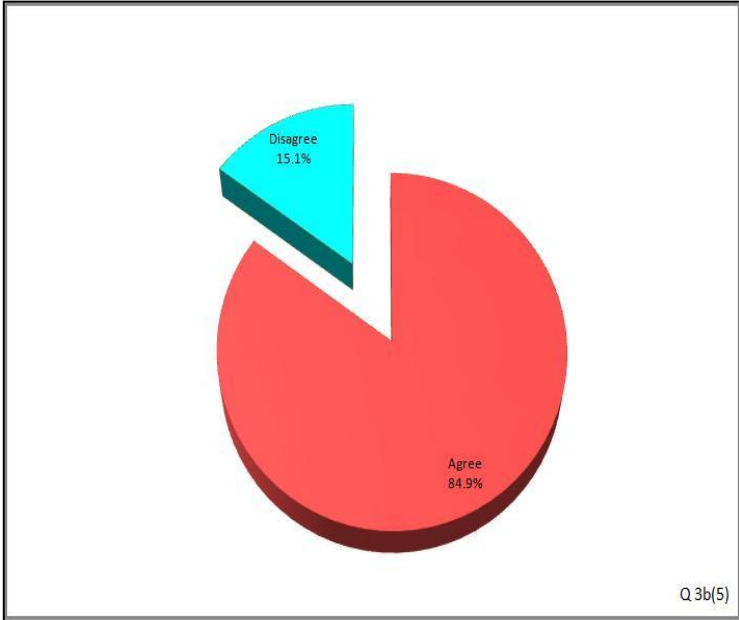
Q 3b(3) – Infill and small groups of housing may be allowed OUTSIDE the physical limits boundary (village envelope)			
Agree	Disagree	Agree U18	Disagree U18
61	113	5	2
35.1%	64.9%	71.4%	28.6%



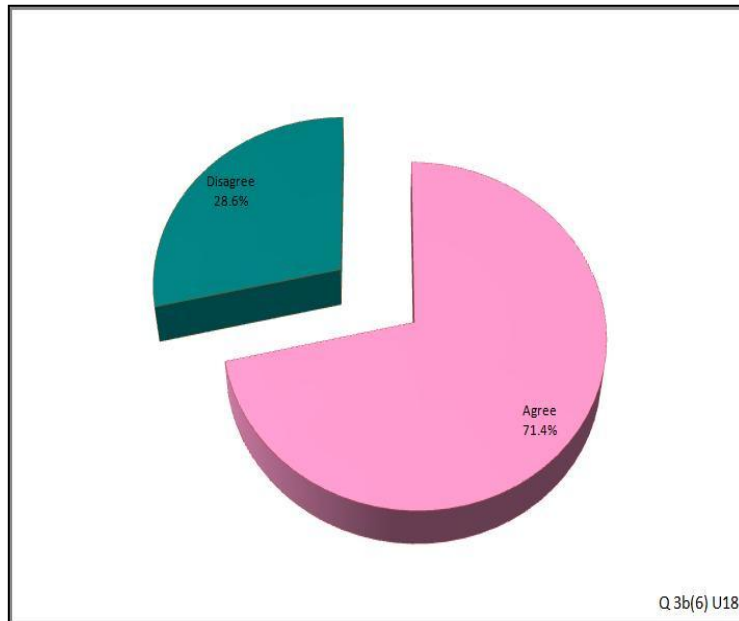
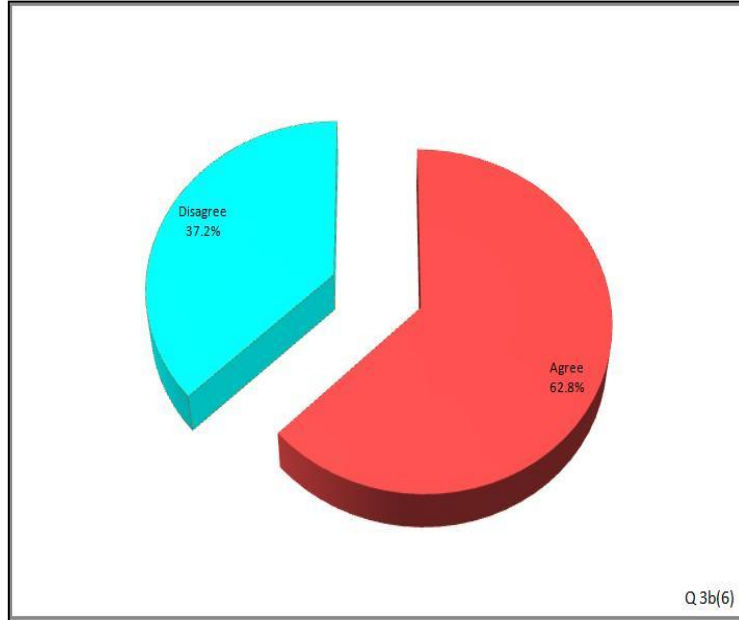
Q 3b(4) – Infill and small groups of housing may be allowed INSIDE the physical limits boundary (village envelope)			
Agree	Disagree	Agree U18	Disagree U18
96	77	1	5
55.5%	44.5%	16.7%	83.3%



Q 3b(5) – Wenhaston with Mells is already about the right size			
Agree	Disagree	Agree U18	Disagree U18
147	25	6	0
81.7%	14.5%	100%	0%



Q 3b(6) – No father development is needed			
Agree	Disagree	Agree U18	Disagree U18
104	58	5	2
60.5%	35.8%	71.4%	28.6%



Presentation Panel 3c – Information for Questionnaire Section 3c

SECTION 3. HOUSING

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c) If you believe that new housing development is necessary, what type do you think it should be?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	NECESSARY 1	NEUTRAL 2	NOT NECESSARY 3	Under 18's enter a number 1 to 3
Sheltered Accommodation				
Affordable/social housing				
Bungalows				
Small houses. Up to 3 beds				
Large houses. 4 or more beds				
Eco houses				

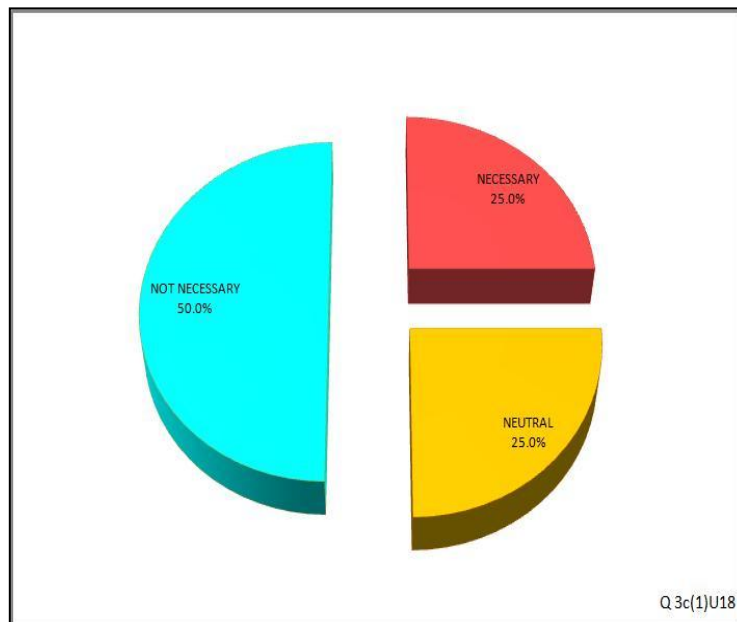
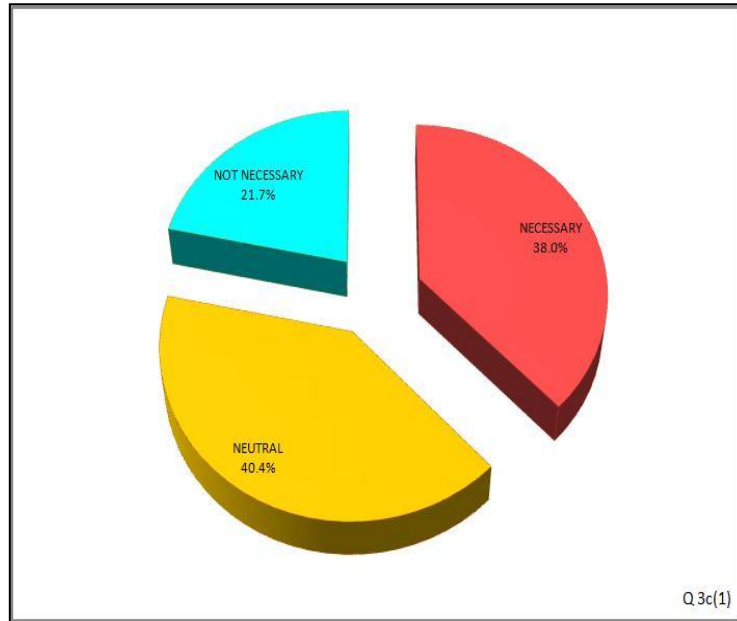
Comments: State which other types of development you believe are necessary if any.

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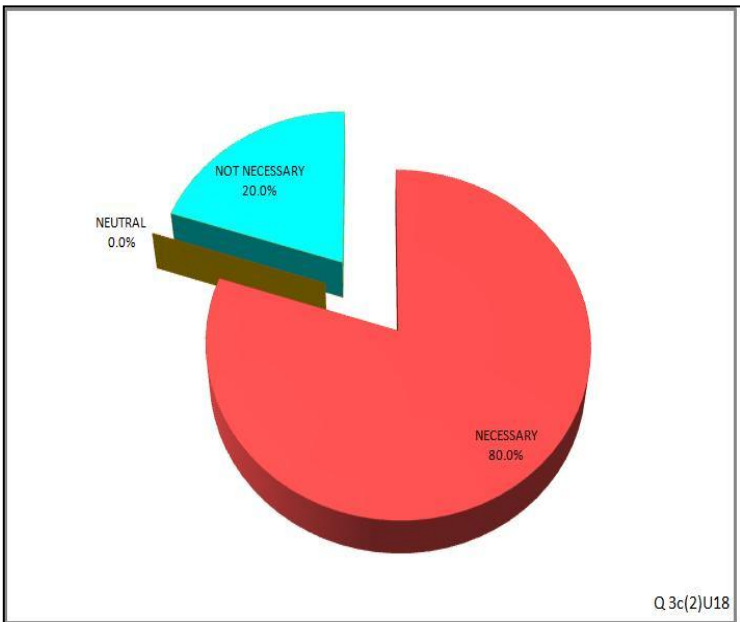
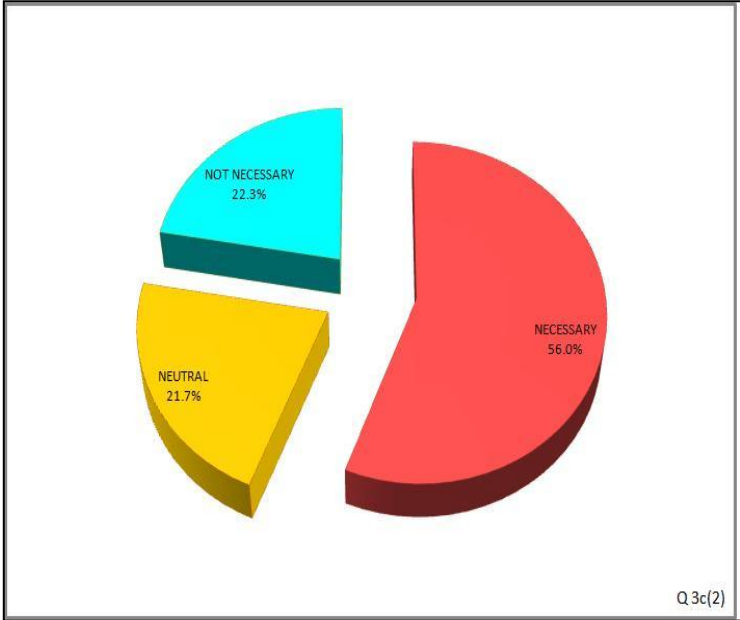
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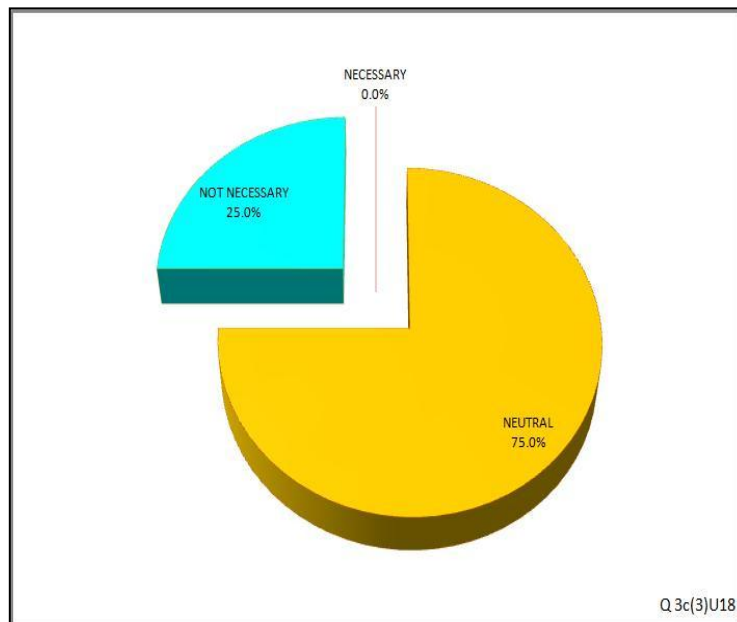
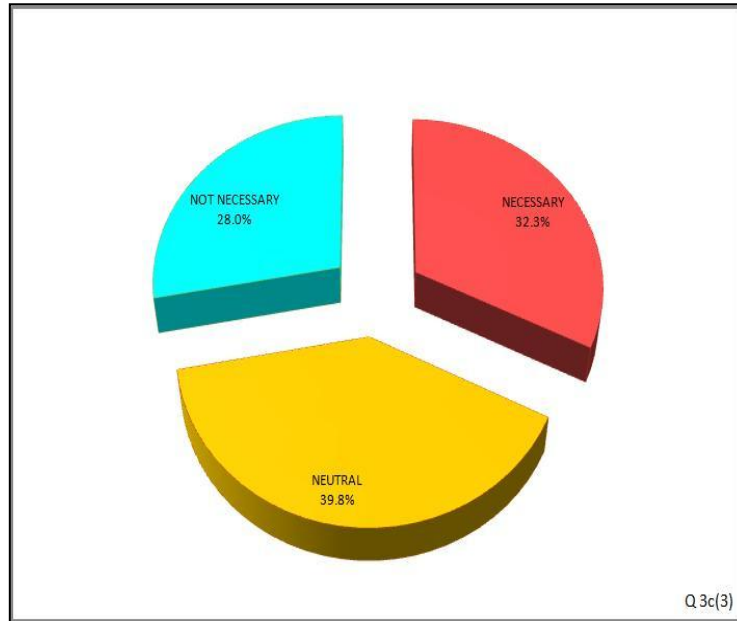
Q 3c(1) – Sheltered Accommodation					
Agree	Neutral	Not Necessary	Agree U18	Neutral U18	Not Necessary U18
63	67	36	1	1	2
38.0%	40.4%	21.7%	25.0%	25.0%	50.0%



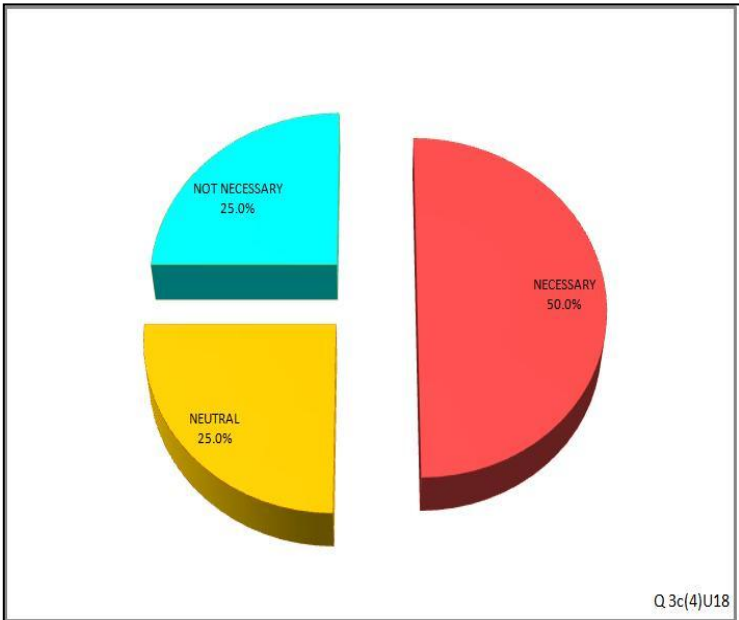
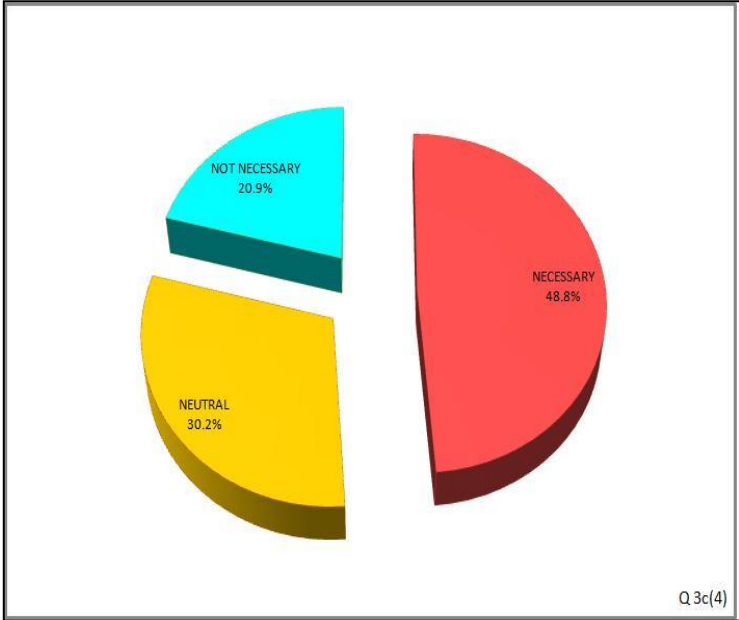
Q 3c(2) – Affordable /social housing					
Agree	Neutral	Not Necessary	Agree U18	Neutral U18	Not Necessary U18
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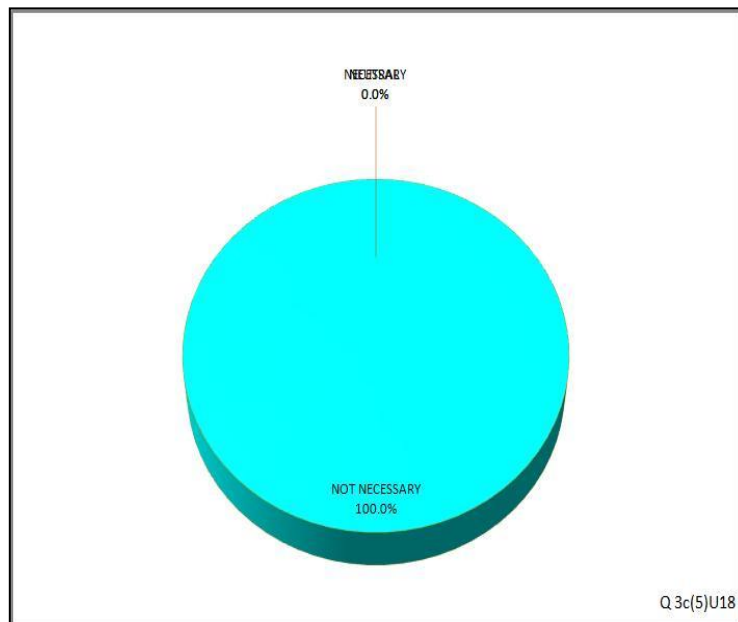
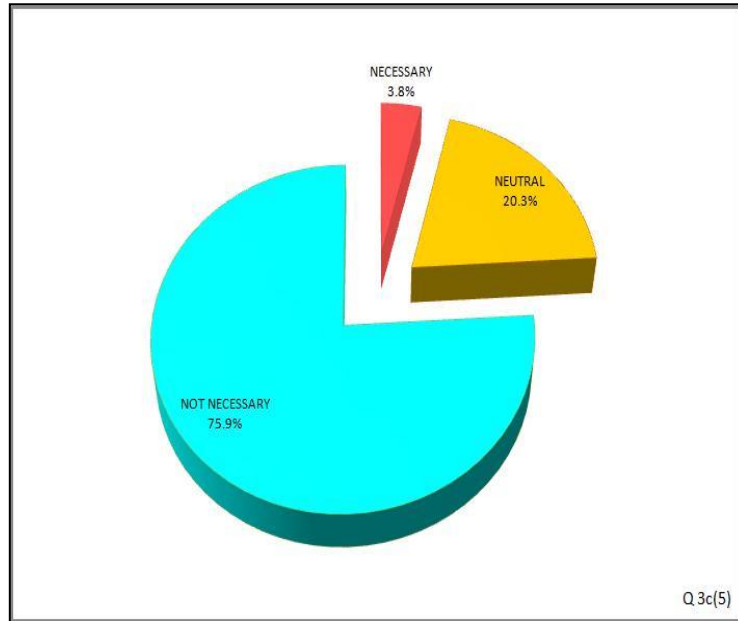
Q 3c(3) – Bungalows					
Agree	Neutral	Not Necessary	Agree U18	Neutral U18	Not Necessary U18
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32.3%	39.8%	28.0%	0.0%	75.0%	25.0%



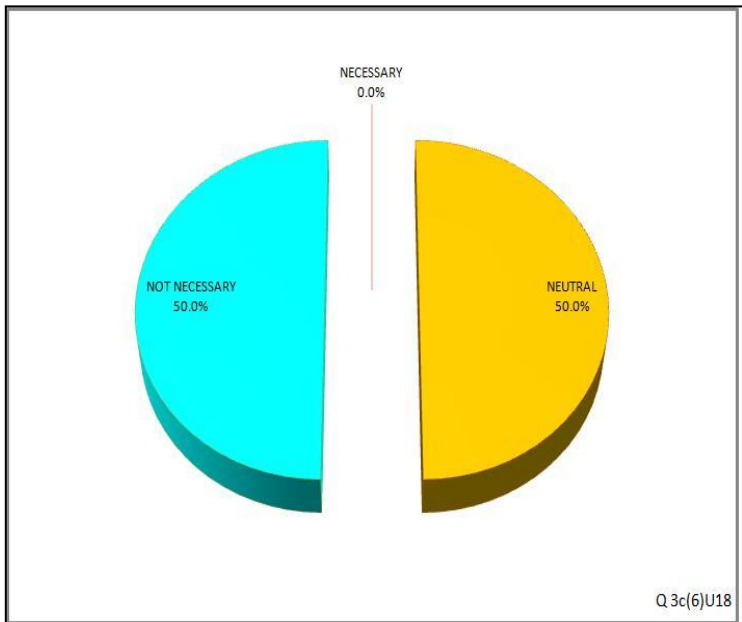
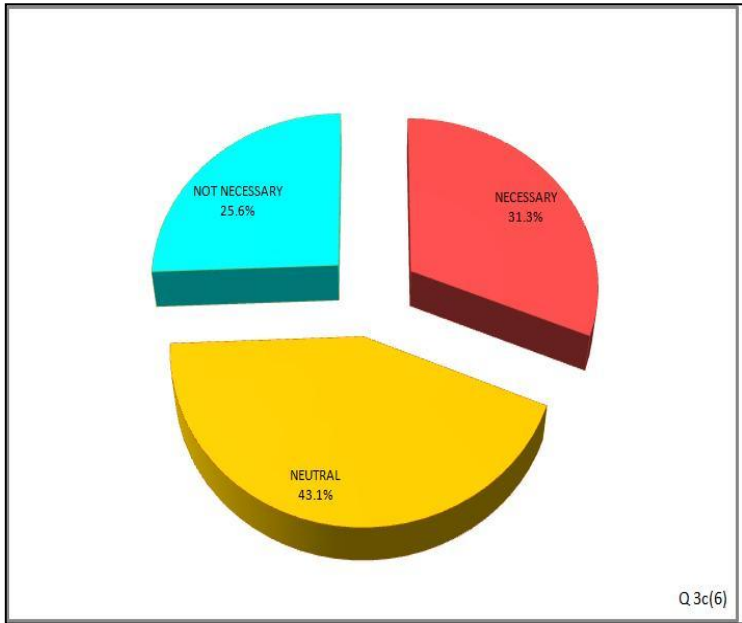
Q 3c(4) – Small houses, Up to 3 beds					
Agree	Neutral	Not Necessary	Agree U18	Neutral U18	Not Necessary U18
84	52	36	2	1	1
48.8%	30.2%	20.9%	50.0%	25.0%	25.0%



Q 3c(5) – Large houses, 4 or more beds					
Agree	Neutral	Not Necessary	Agree U18	Neutral U18	Not Necessary U18
6	32	120	0	0	4
3.8%	20.3%	75.9%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%



Q 3c(6) – Eco houses					
Agree	Neutral	Not Necessary	Agree U18	Neutral U18	Not Necessary U18
50	69	41	0	2	2
31.1%	43.1%	25.6%	0.0%	50.0%	50.0%



Presentation Panel 4a – Information for Questionnaire Section 4a

SECTION 4. INFRASTRUCTURE, VILLAGE FACILITIES AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY

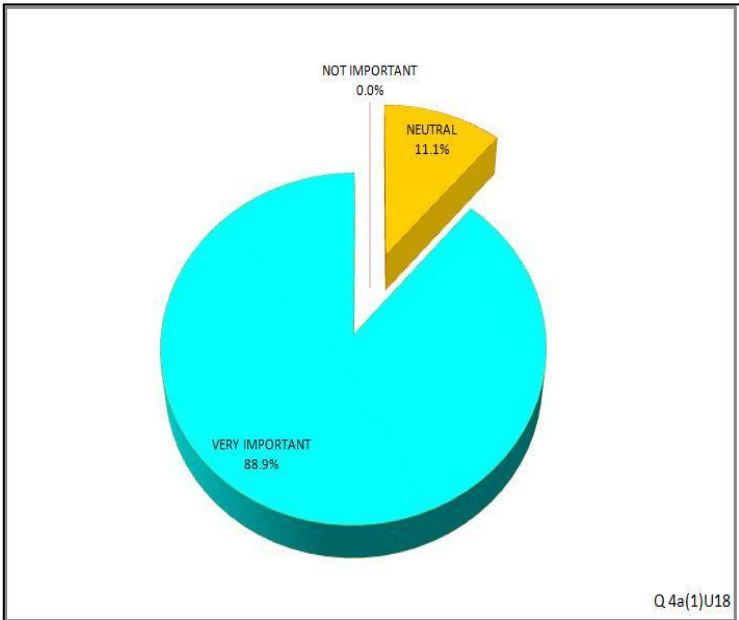
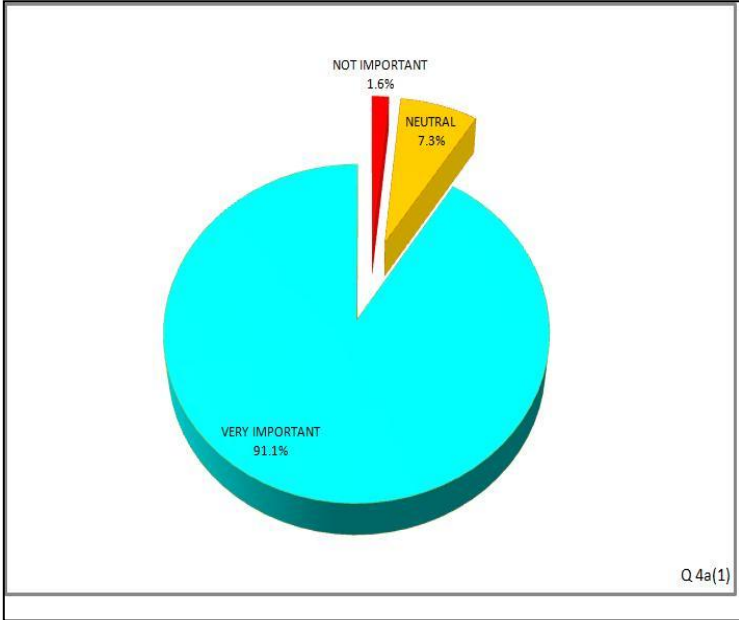
a)Wenhaston with Mellis is known as a village which strives to retain its rural identity.
How important to you and the future of the village are the following?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	NOT IMPORTANT 1	NEUTRAL 2	VERY IMPORTANT 3	Under 18's enter a number 1 to 3
Preserving the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty				
Safe, quiet roads and pedestrian routes				
Protecting rural identity of the village				
Protecting local wildlife habitats				
Managing flood risks				
Reducing carbon footprint				

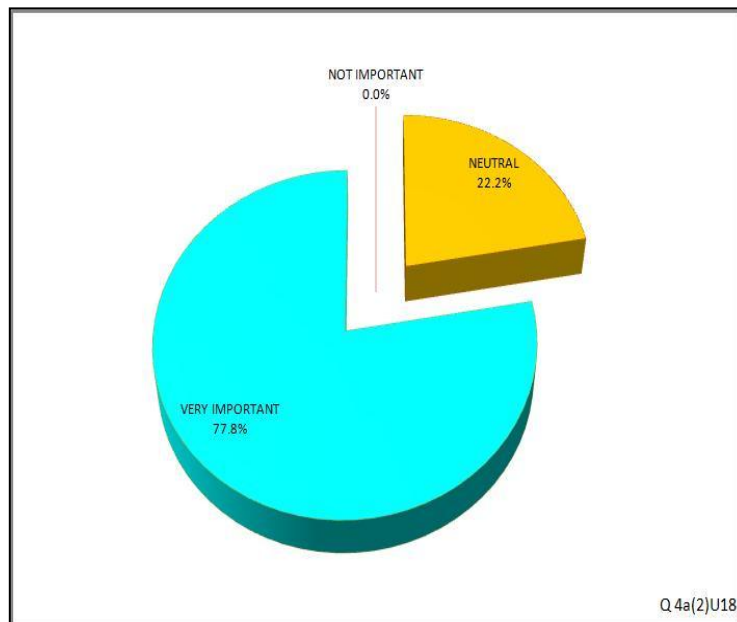
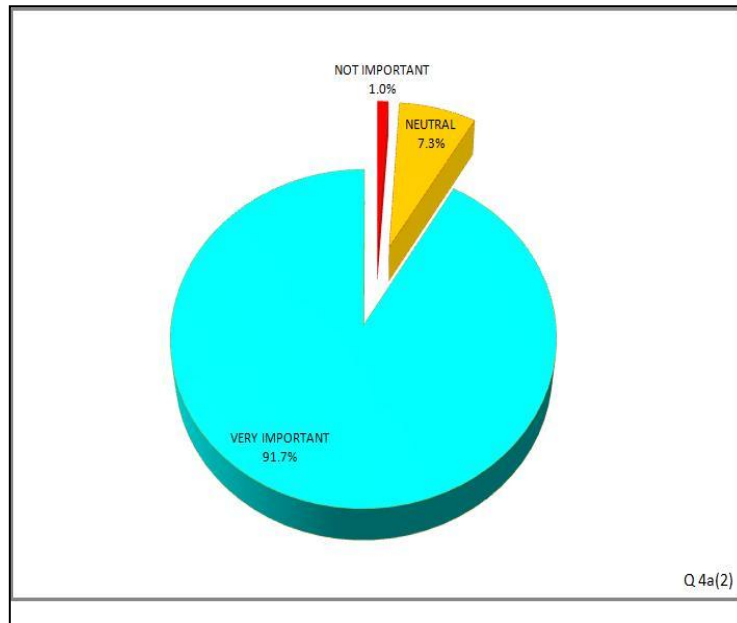
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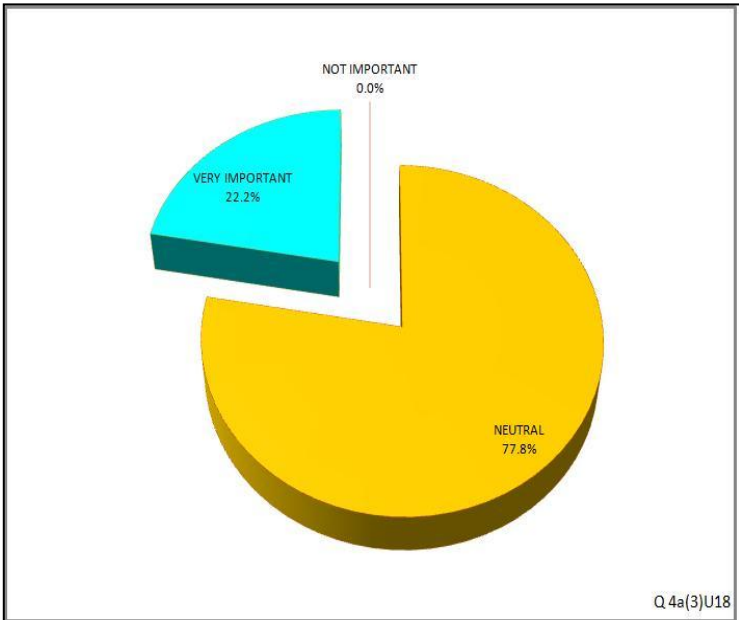
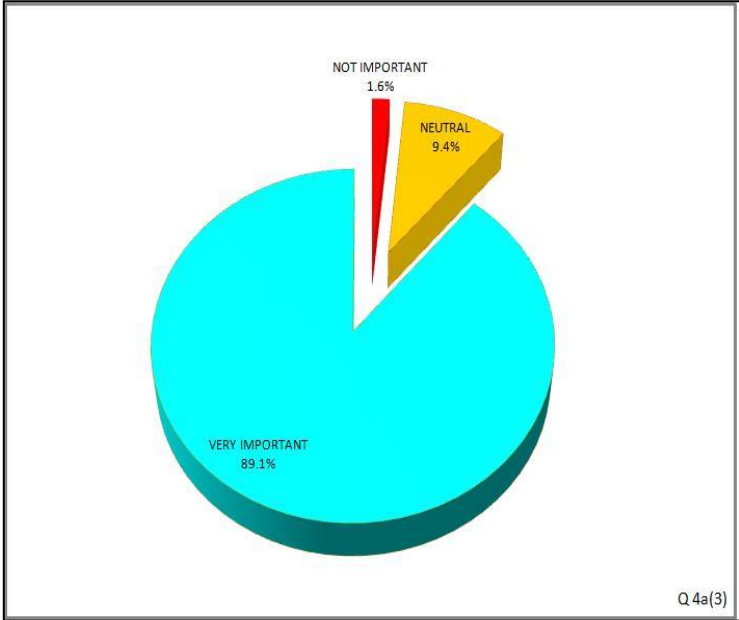
Q 4a(1) – Preserving the Area of Outstanding Beauty					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
3	14	174	0	1	8
1.6%	7.3%	91.1%	0.0%	11.1%	88.9%



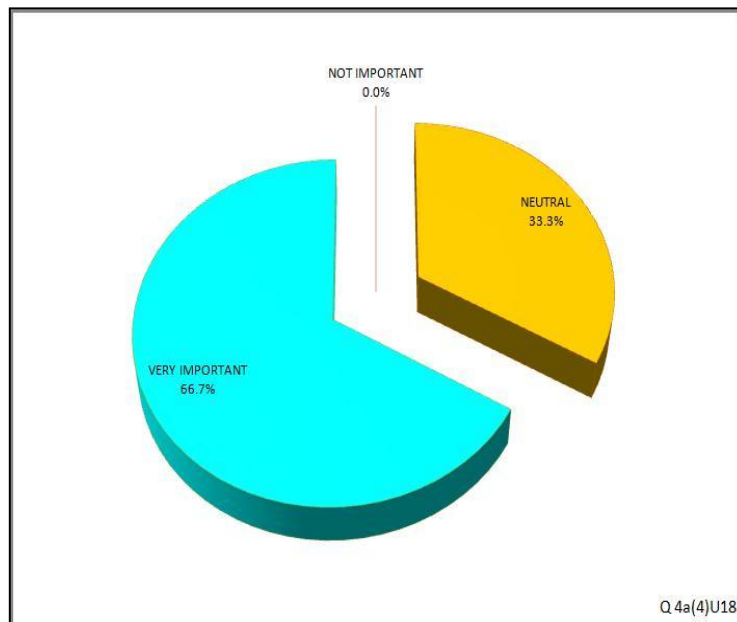
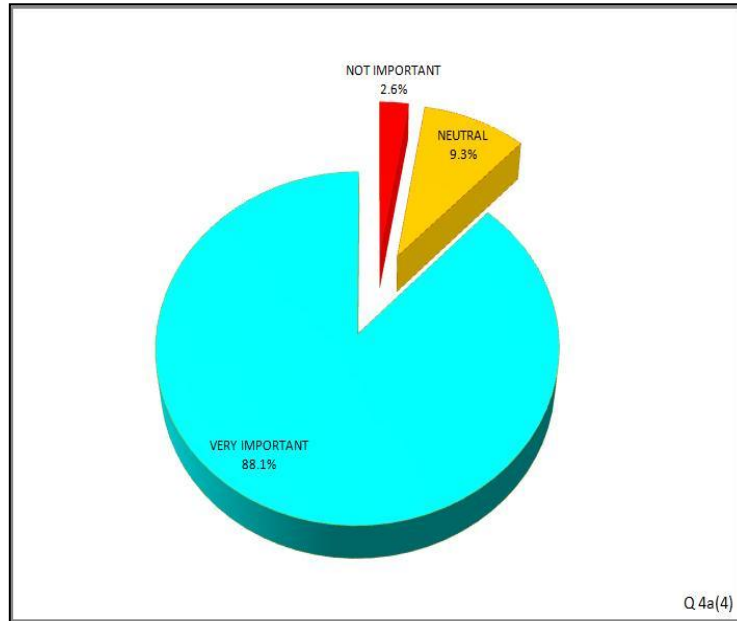
Q 4a(2) – Safe, quiet roads and pedestrian routes					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
2	14	177	0	2	7
1.0%	7.3%	91.7%	0.0%	22.2%	77.8%



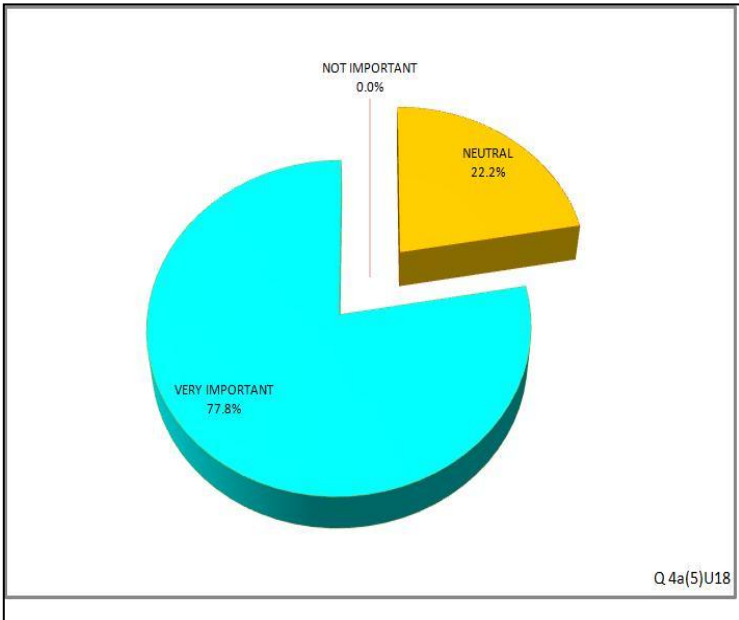
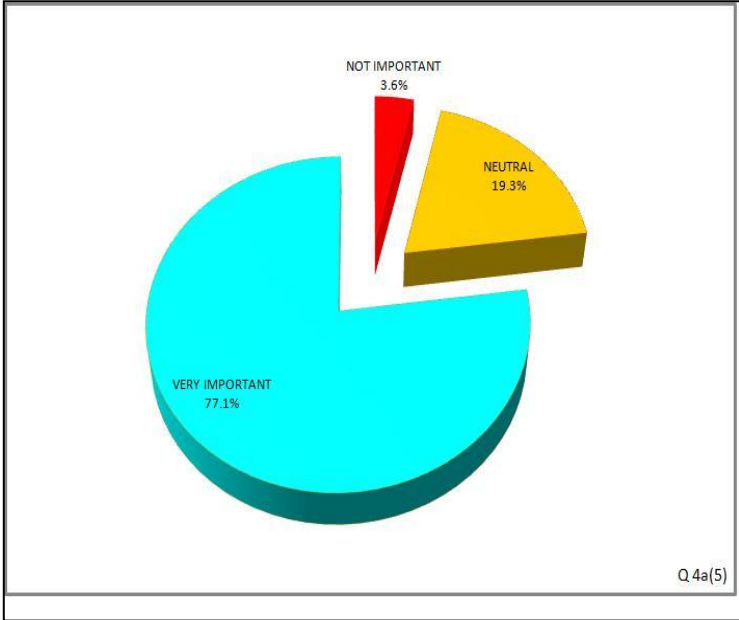
Q 4a(3) – Protecting rural identity of the village					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
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1.6%	9.4%	89.1%	0.0%	77.8%	22.2%



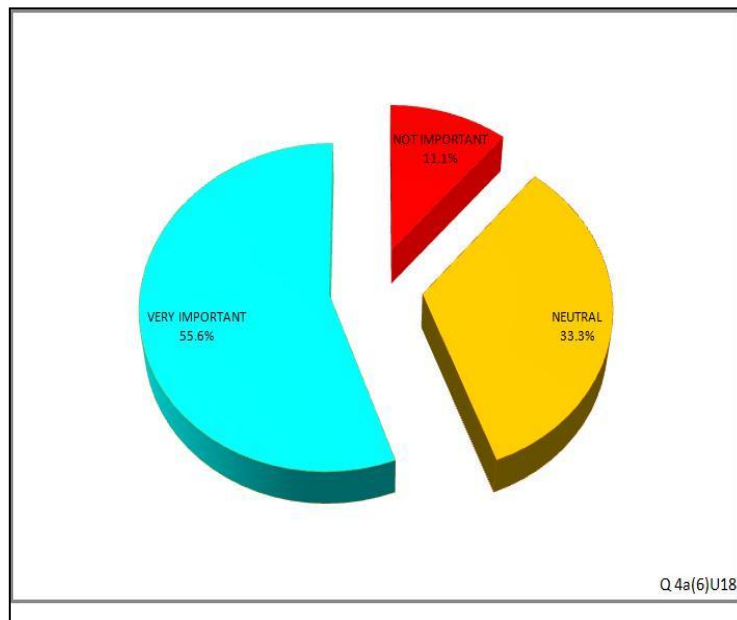
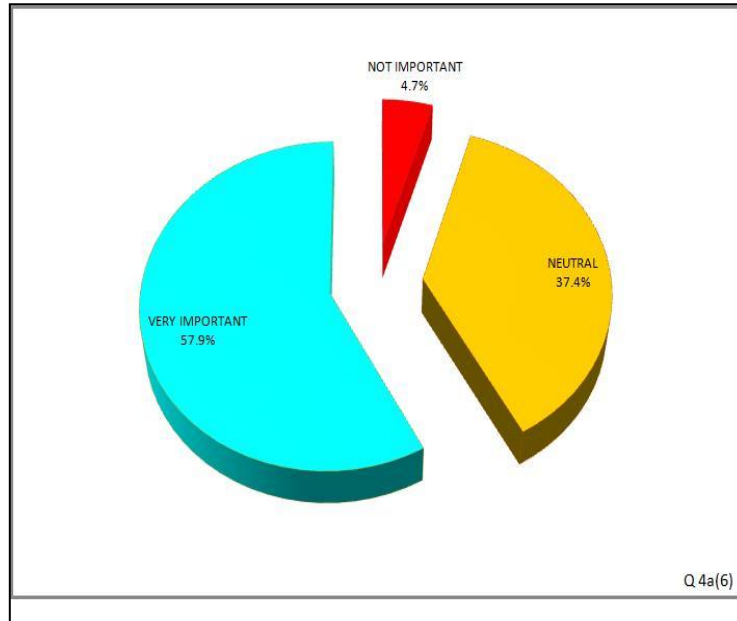
Q 4a(4) – Protecting wildlife habitats					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
5	18	170	0	3	6
2.6%	9.3%	88.1%	0.0%	33.3%	66.7%



Q 4a(5) – Managing flood risks					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
7	37	148	0	2	7
3.6%	19.3%	77.1%	0.0%	22.2%	77.8%



Q 4a(6) – Reducing carbon footprint					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
9	71	110	1	3	5
4.7%	37.4%	57.9%	11.1%	33.3%	55.6%



Presentation Panel 4b – Information for Questionnaire Section 4b

SECTION 4. INFRASTRUCTURE, VILLAGE FACILITIES AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY

b) Are the following facilities/services adequate for now and future generations?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	Adequate	Inadequate	Reason
The five Commons and footpath networks			
The Village Hall (and Post Office)			
The Playing Field and sports/play equipment			
Bus service to Halesworth and Southwold			
High speed internet			
Primary School and Pre-School			
Sewerage capacity			
Surface water drainage			
Street lighting			

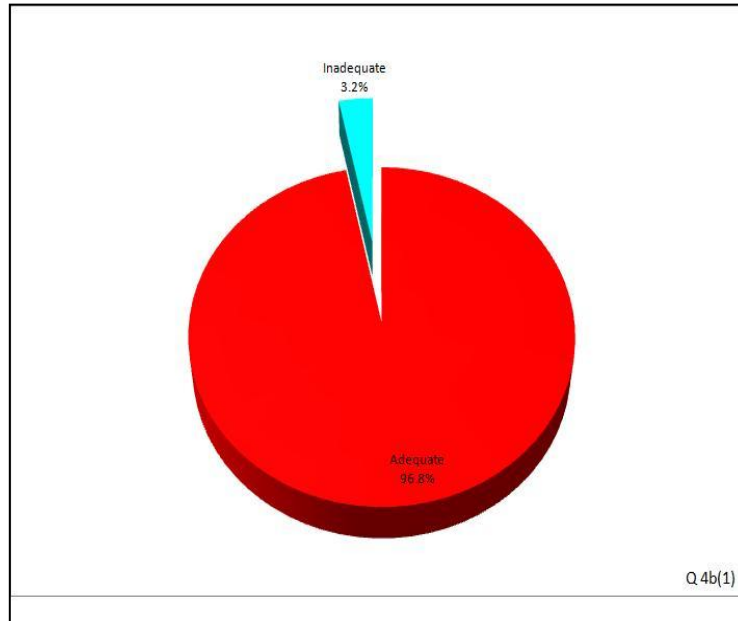
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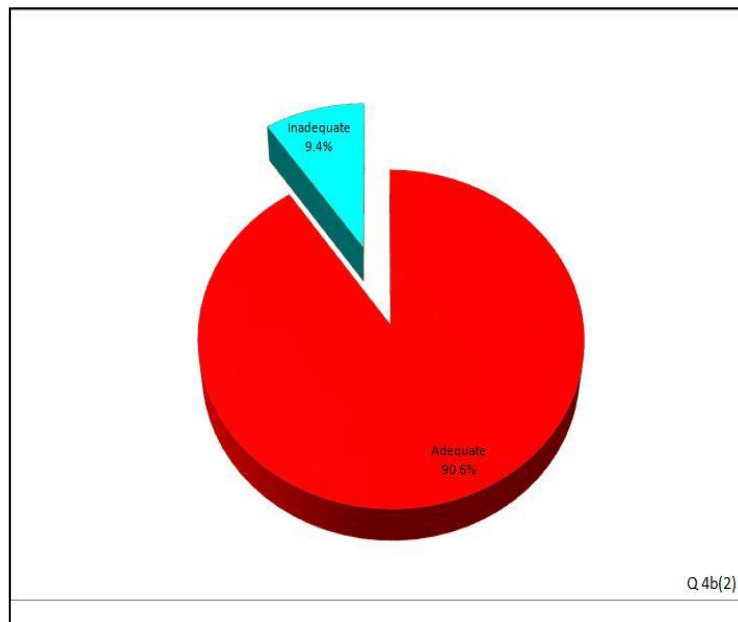
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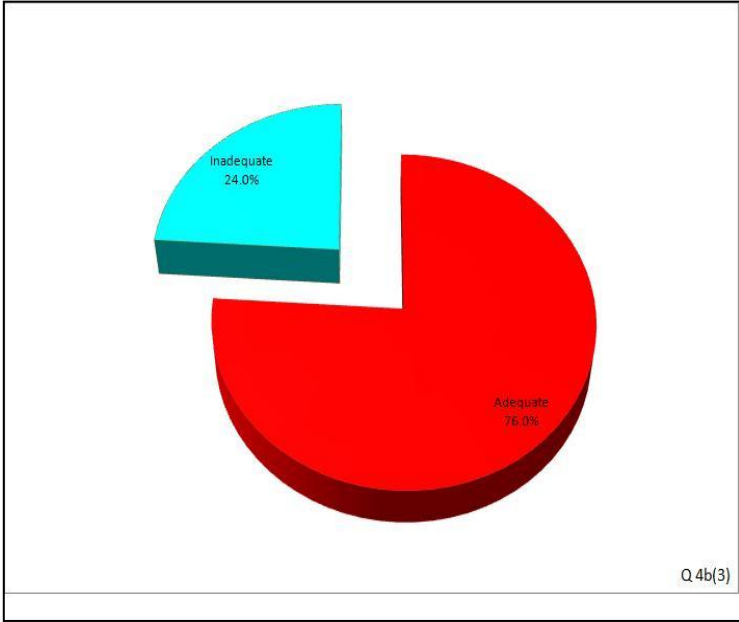
Q 4b(1) – The five Commons and footpath networks	
Adequate	Inadequate
183	6
96.8%	3.2%



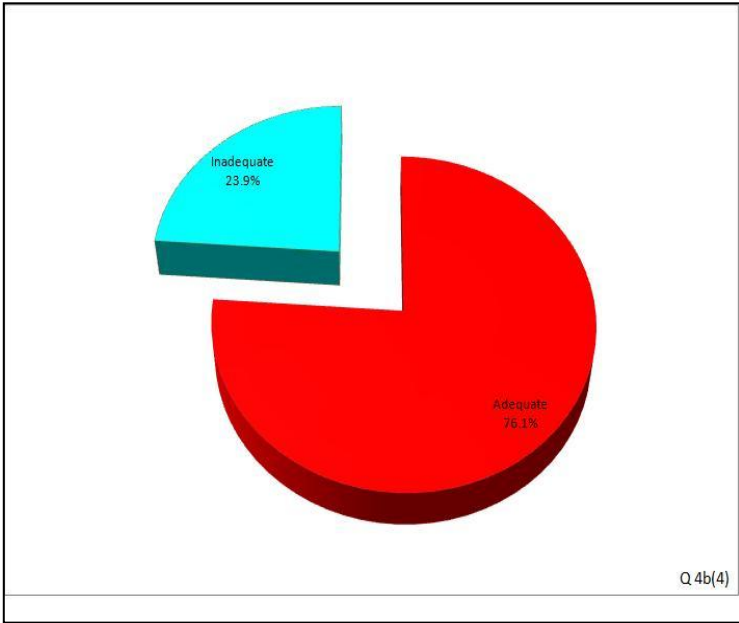
Q 4b(2) – The Village Hall (and Post Office)	
Adequate	Inadequate
173	18
90.6%	9.4%



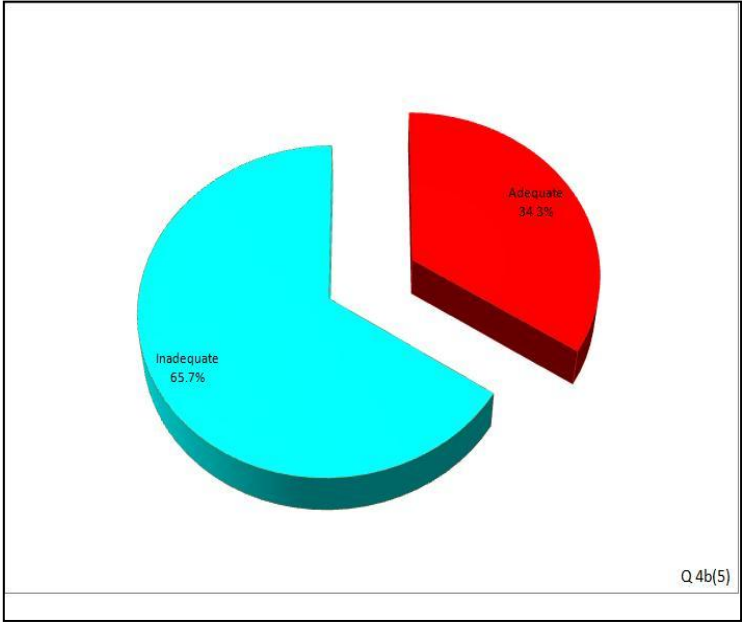
Q 4b(3) – The Playing Field and sports/play equipment	
Adequate	Inadequate
133	42
76.0%	24.0%



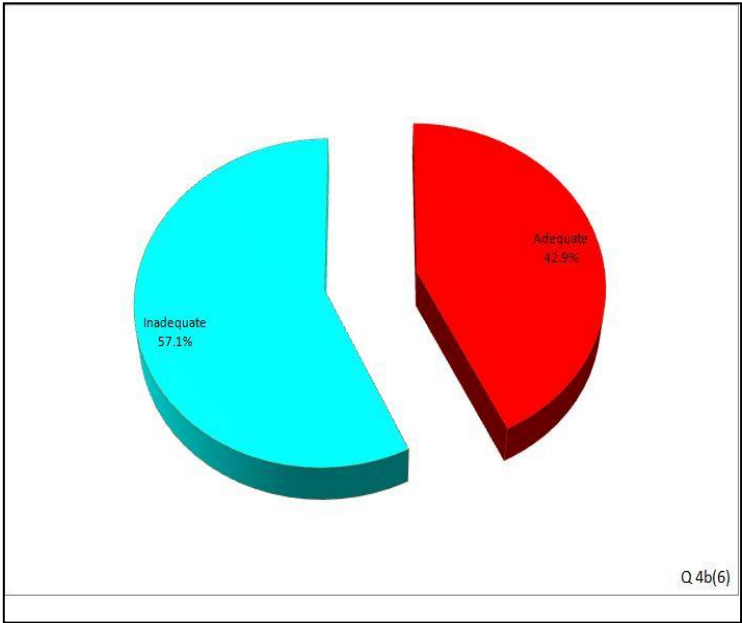
Q 4b(4) – Bus service to Halesworth and Southwold	
Adequate	Inadequate
137	43
76.1%	23.9%



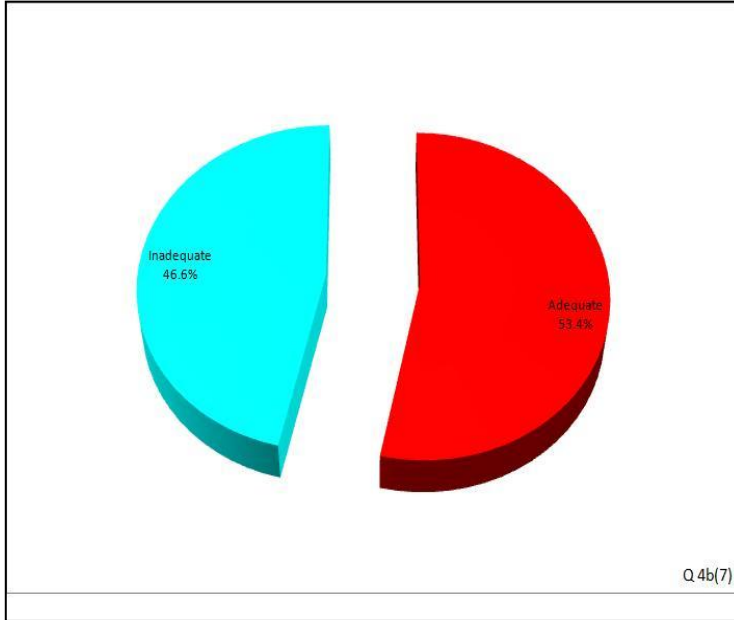
Q 4b(5) – High speed internet	
Adequate	Inadequate
61	117
34.3%	65.7%



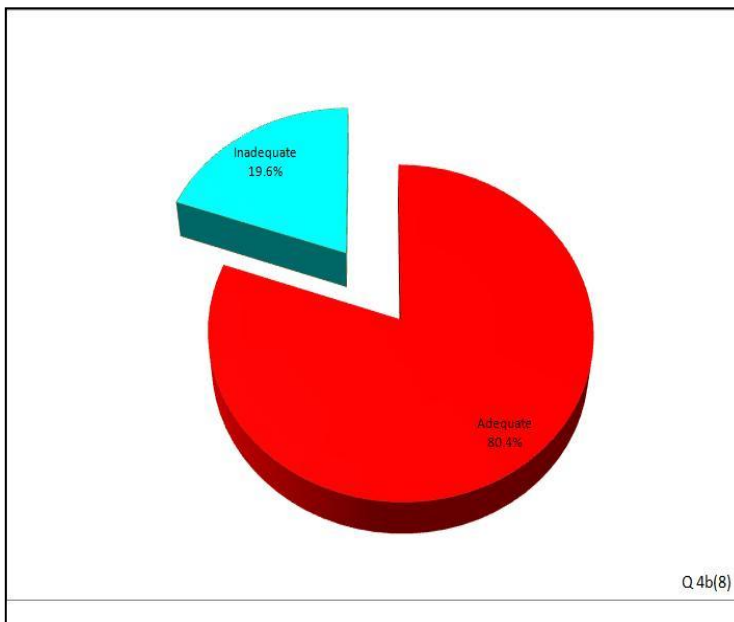
Q 4b(6) – Sewage capacity	
Adequate	Inadequate
70	93
42.9%	57.1%



Q 4b(7) – Surface water drainage	
Adequate	Inadequate
93	81
53.4%	46.6%



Q 4b(8) – Street lighting	
Adequate	Inadequate
148	36
80.4%	19.6%



Presentation Panel 5 – Information for Questionnaire Section 5

SECTION 5. LEISURE, TOURISM, AGRICULTURE AND BUSINESS

How important are the following to the future development of Wenhaston with Mells?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	NOT IMPORTANT 1	NEUTRAL 2	VERY IMPORTANT 3	Under 18's enter a number 1 to 3
Improved sport and play facilities				
Improved and safe cycle ways				
Increasing the caravan and lodge capacity				
Increasing the number of holiday homes				
Developing the Southwold Railway Site				
Expanded current businesses				
Encouraging new businesses				
Retaining existing farms				
Retaining or increasing existing pubs, shops and tradesmen				

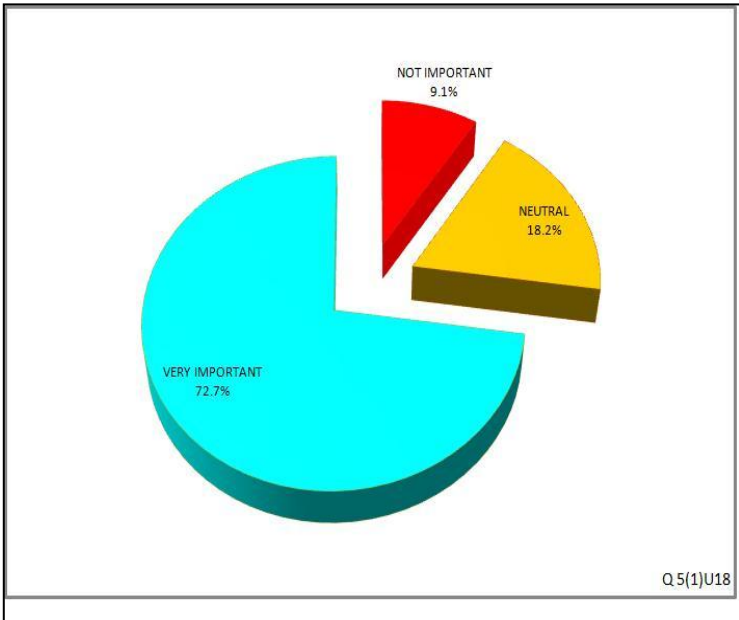
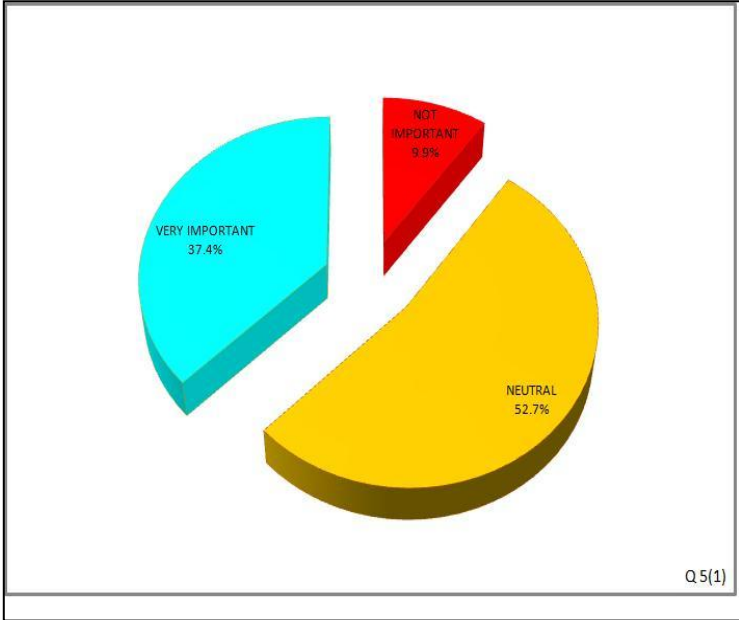
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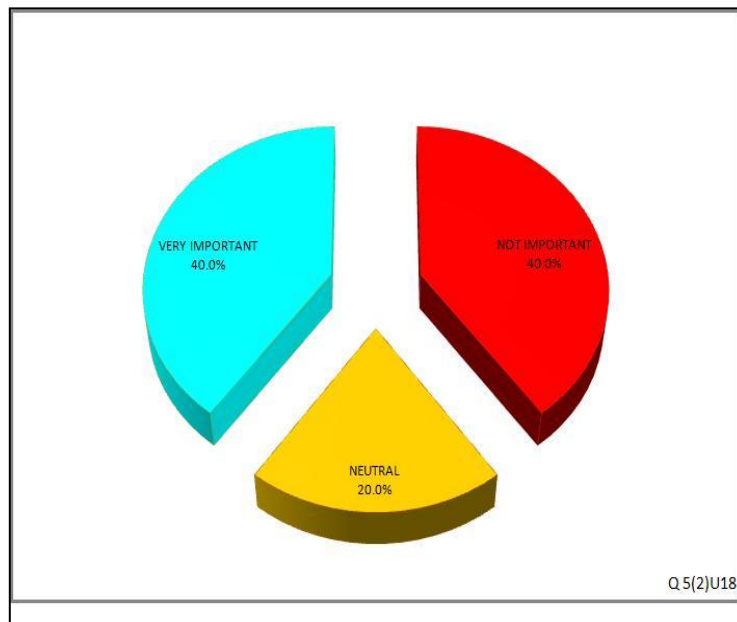
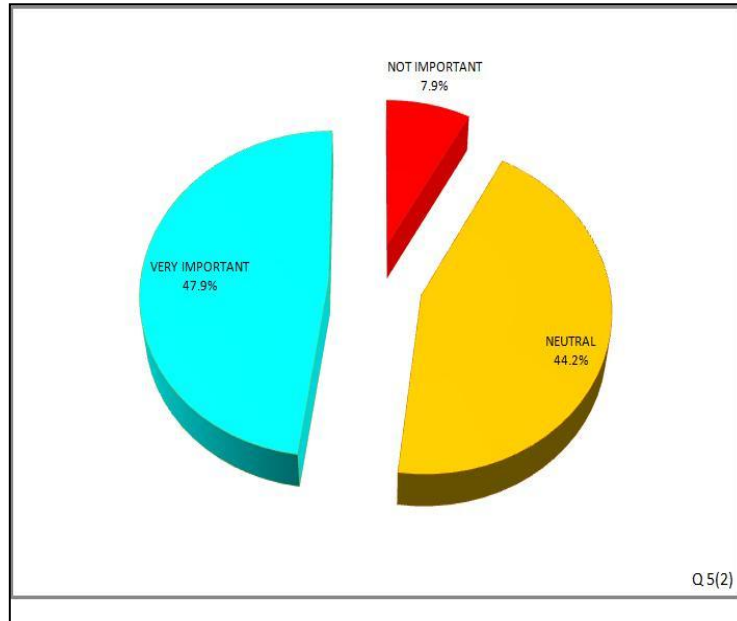
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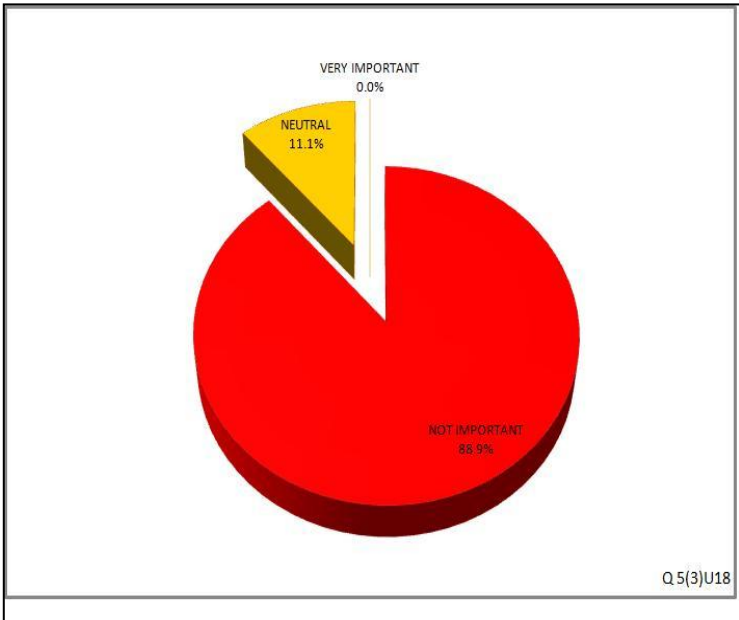
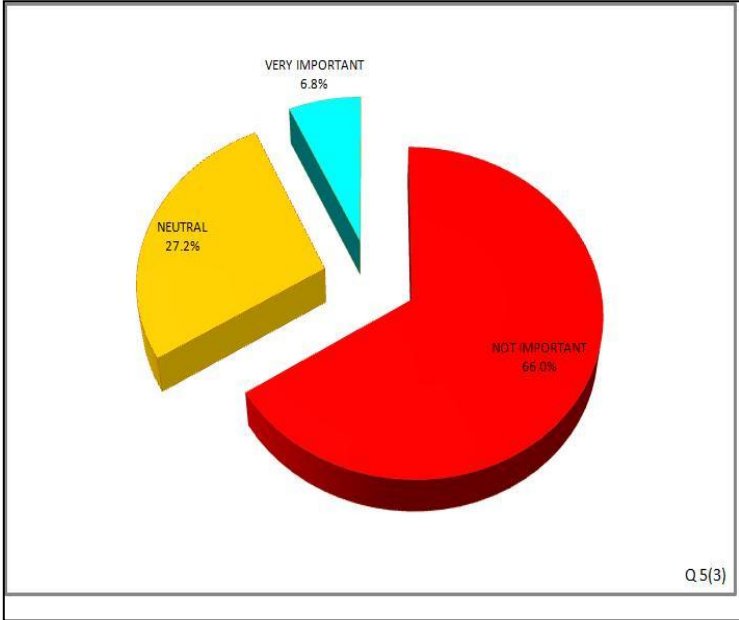
Q 5(1) – Improved sport and play facilities					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
18	96	68	1	2	8
9.9%	52.7%	37.4%	9.1%	18.2%	72.7%



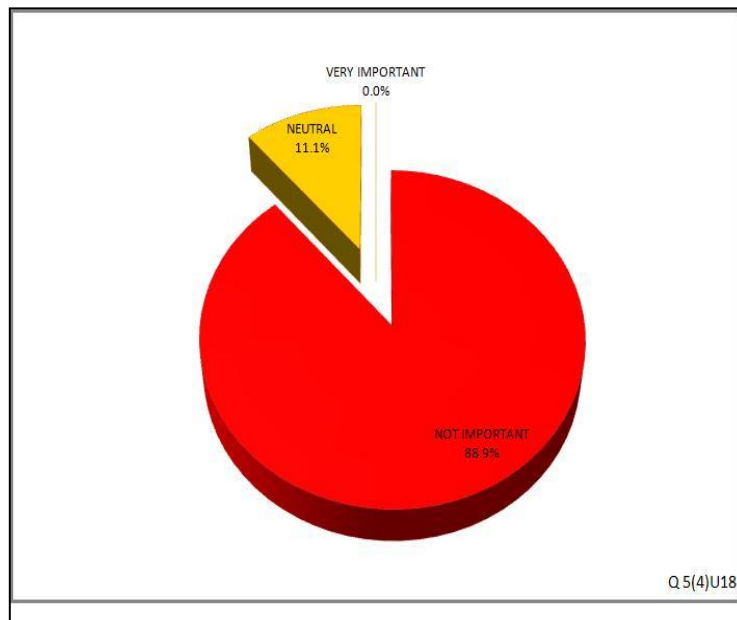
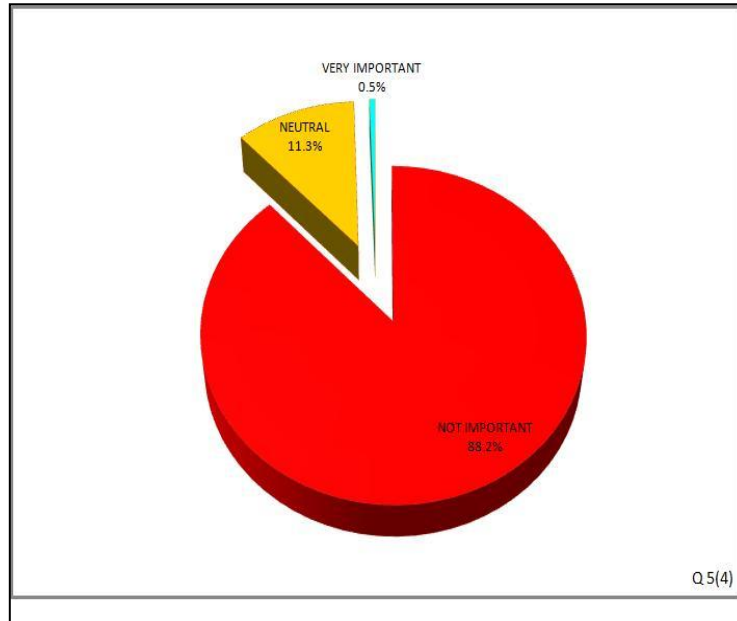
Q 5(2) – Improved and safe cycle ways					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
15	84	91	4	2	4
7.9%	44.2%	47.9%	40.0%	20.0%	40.0%



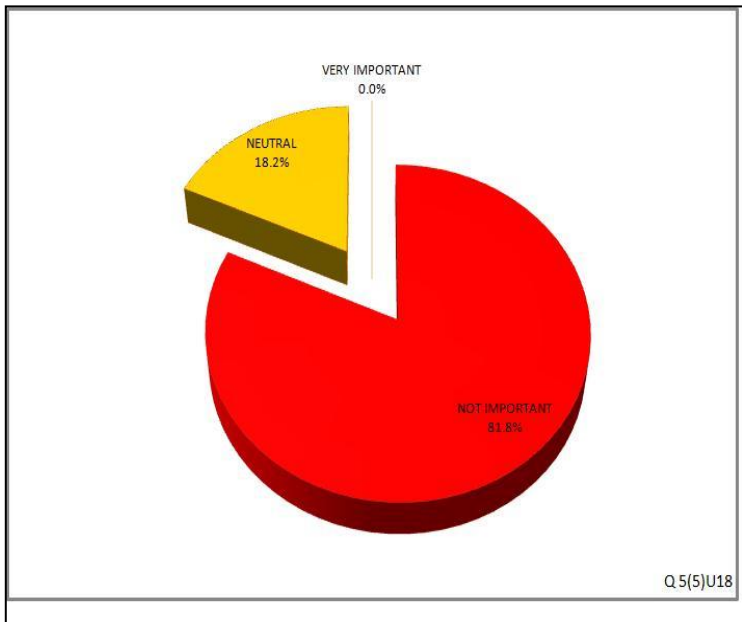
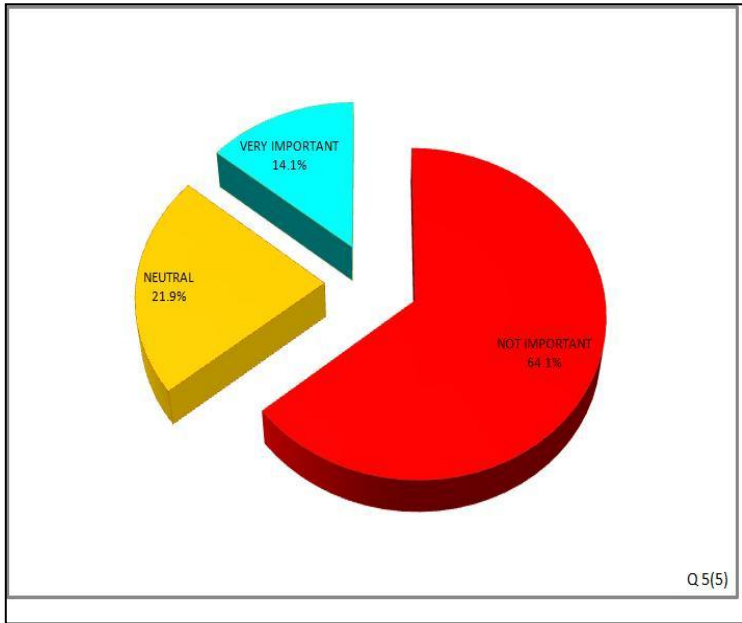
Q 5(3) – Increasing the caravan and lodge capacity					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
126	52	13	8	1	0
66.0%	27.2%	6.8%	88.9%	11.1%	0.0%



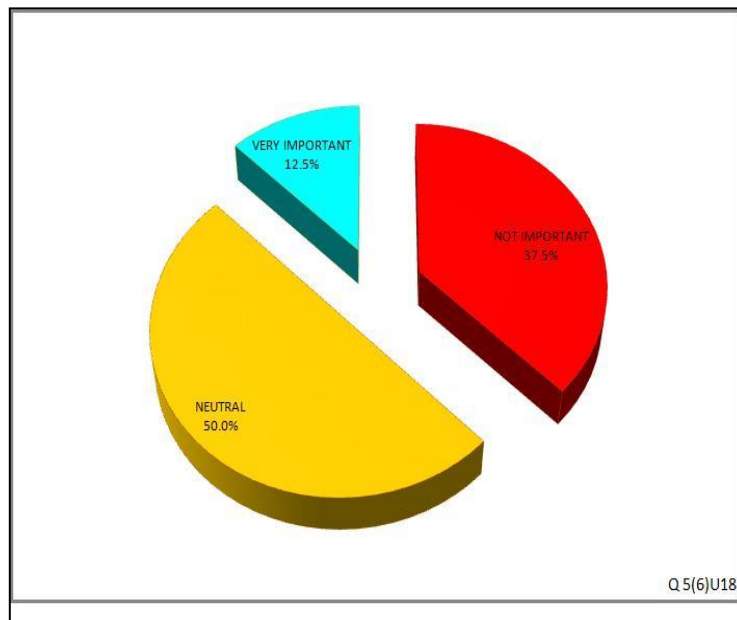
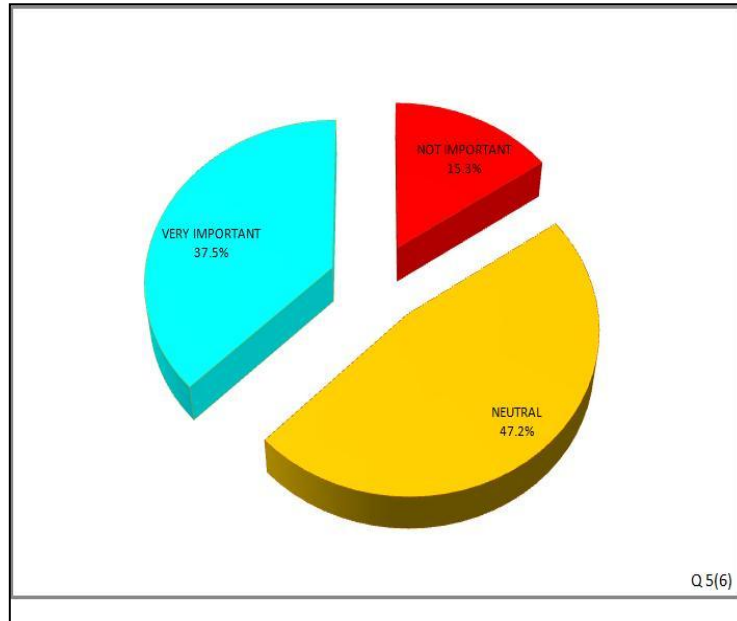
Q 5(4) – Increasing the number of holiday homes					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
164	21	1	8	1	0
88.2%	11.3%	0.5%	88.9%	11.1%	0.0%



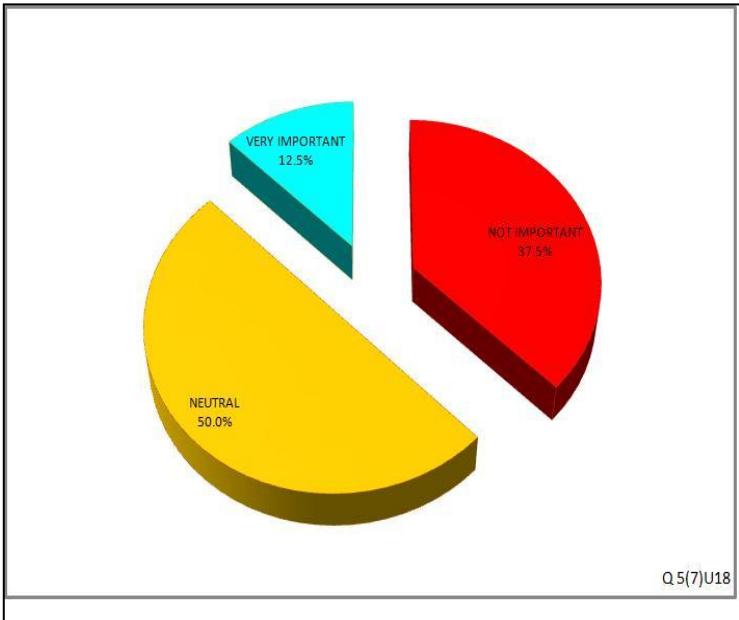
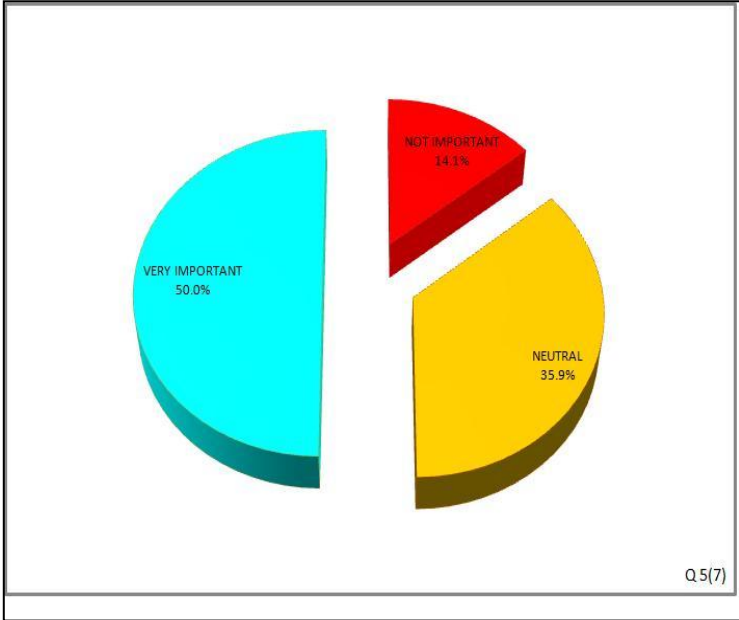
Q 5(5) – Developing the Southwold Railway Site					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
123	42	27	9	2	0
64.1%	21.9%	14.1%	81.8%	18.2%	0.0%



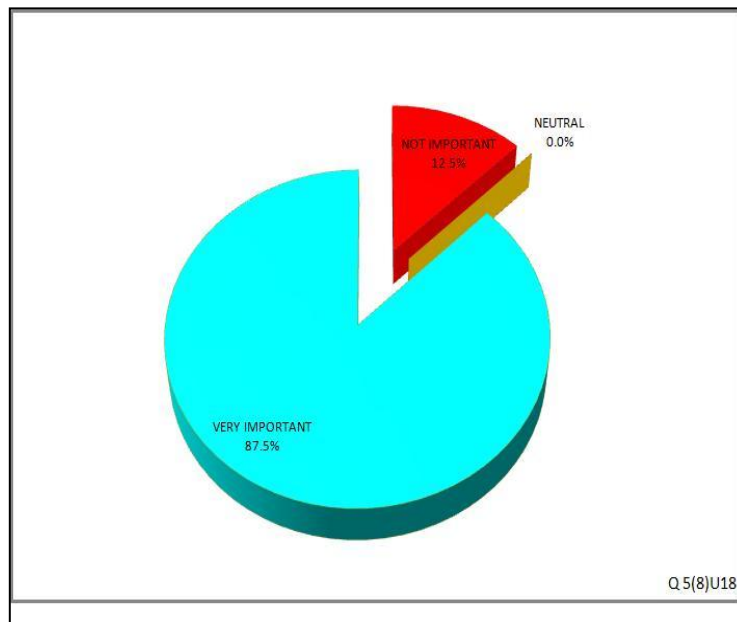
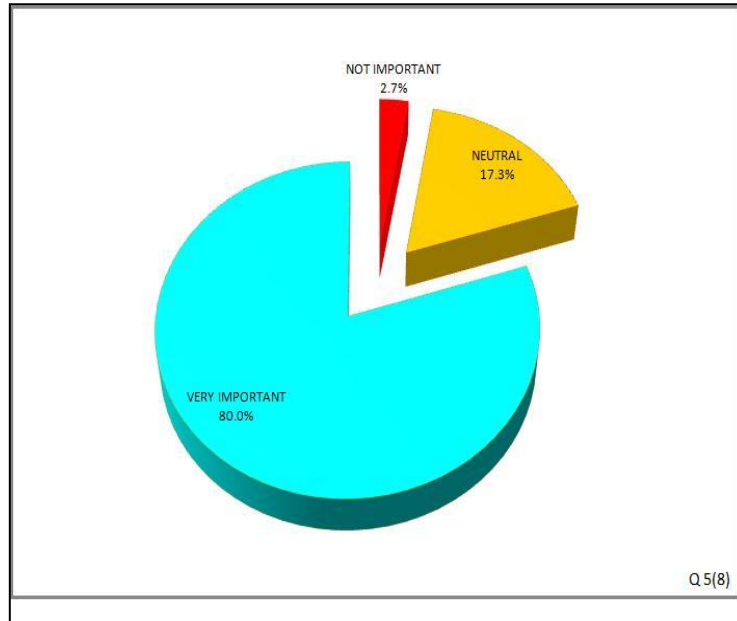
Q 5(6) – Expanded current businesses					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
27	83	66	3	4	1
15.3%	47.2%	37.5%	37.5%	50.0%	12.5%



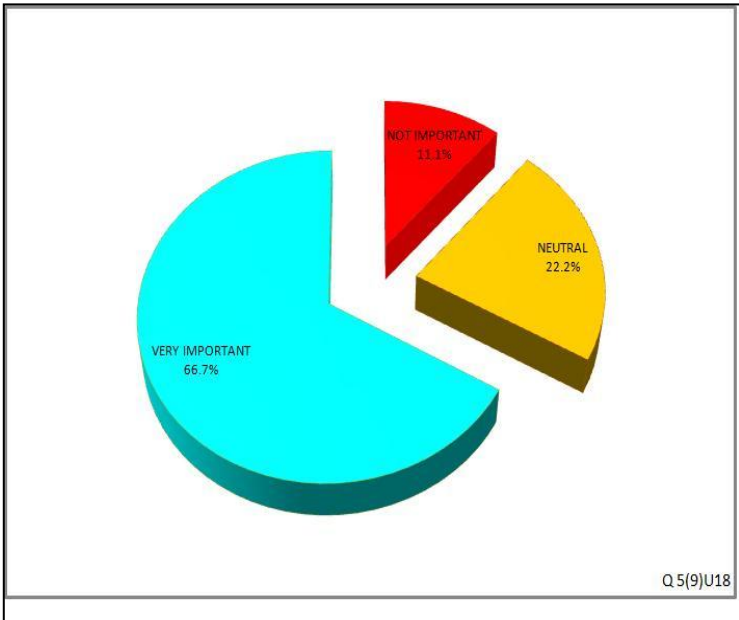
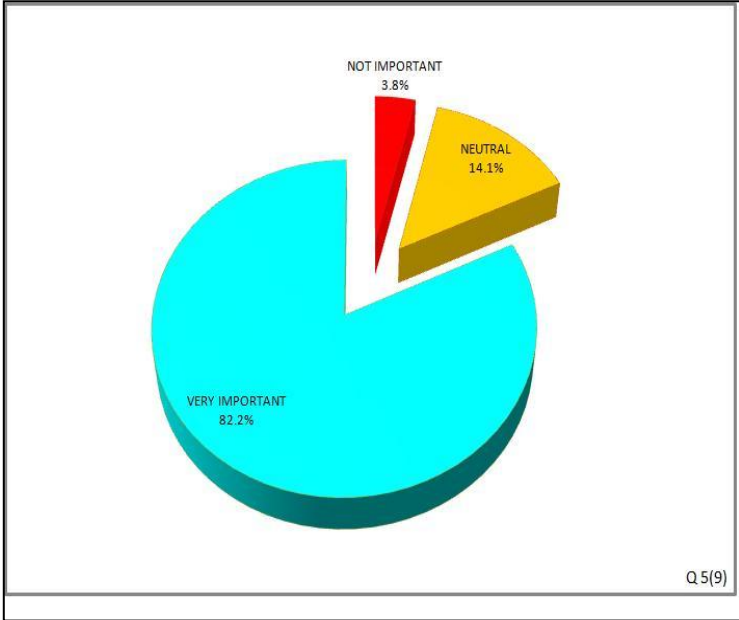
Q 5(7) – Encouraging new businesses					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
26	66	92	3	4	1
14.1%	35.9%	50.0%	37.5%	50.0%	12.5%



Q 5(8) – Retaining existing farms					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
5	32	148	1	0	7
2.7%	17.3%	80.0%	12.5%	0.0%	87.5%



Q 5(9) – Retaining or increasing existing pubs, shops and tradesmen					
Not Important	Neutral	Very Important	Not Important U18	Neutral U18	Very Important U18
7	26	152	1	2	6
3.8%	14.1%	82.2%	11.1%	22.2%	66.7%



Presentation Panel 6 – Information for Questionnaire Section 6

SECTION 6. CONCERNS.

Related to life in Wenhaston with Mells, which of the following gives you cause for concern either

for now or in the future?

(Please tick relevant box for each line)	Now	Future	Under 18's Now or Future
Crime			
Road Safety			
Noise Pollution			
Flood Risk			
Over Development			
Anti-Social behaviour			
Lack of Public Transport			
Lack of Facilities			

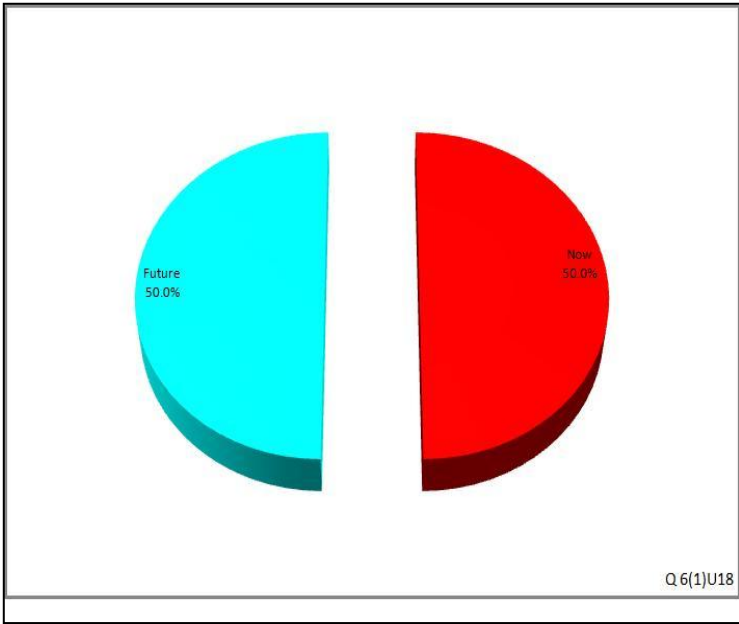
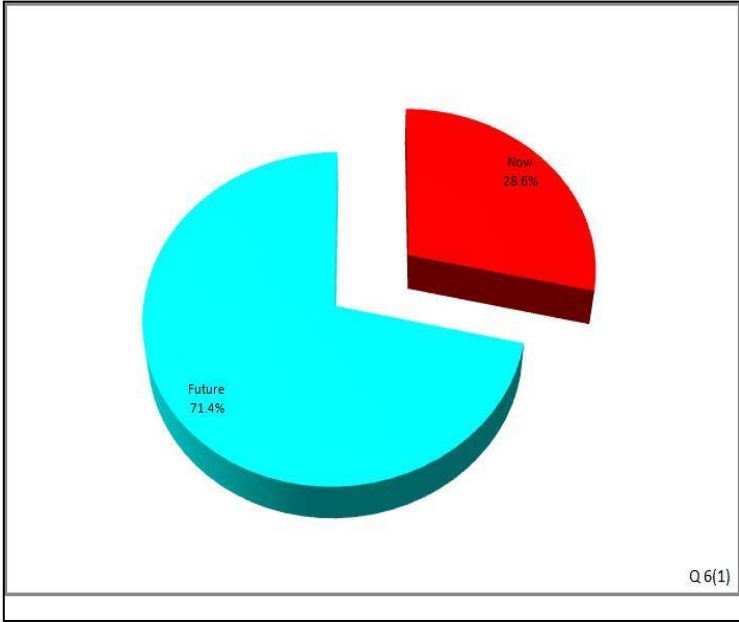
Comments: Please add any other aspects of village life which give you cause for concern

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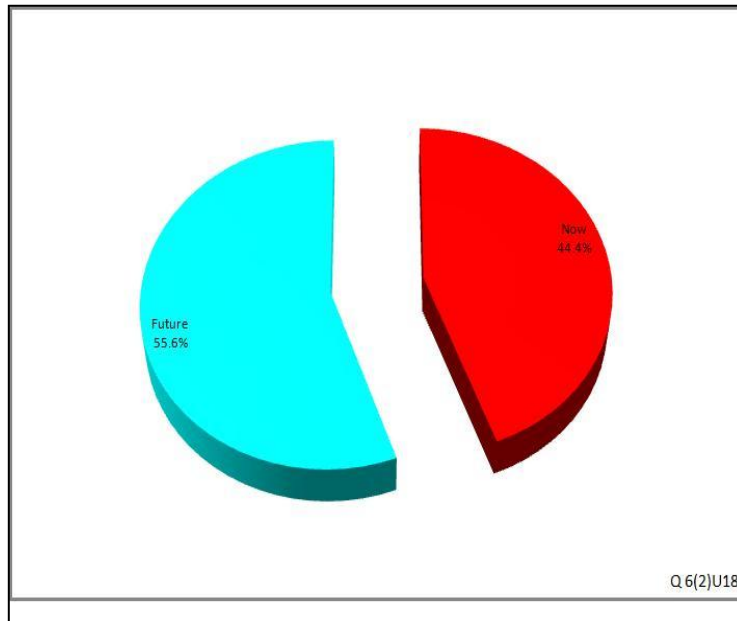
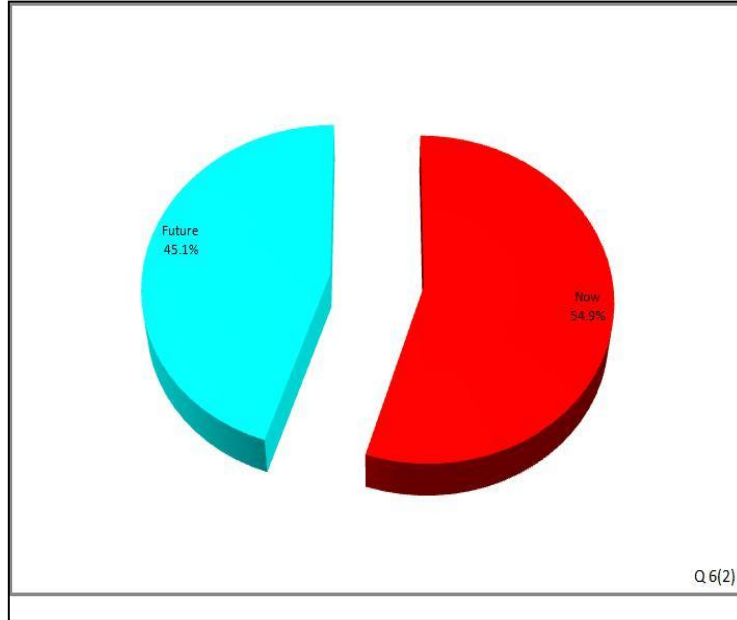
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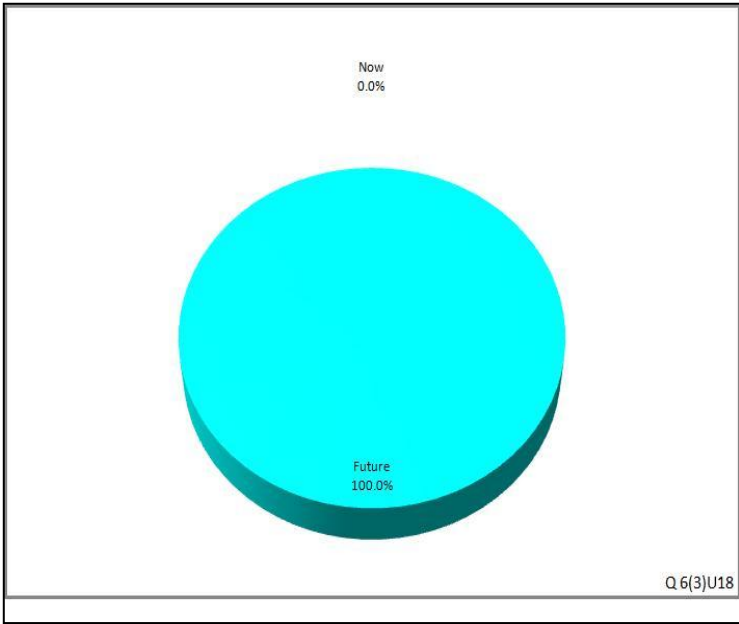
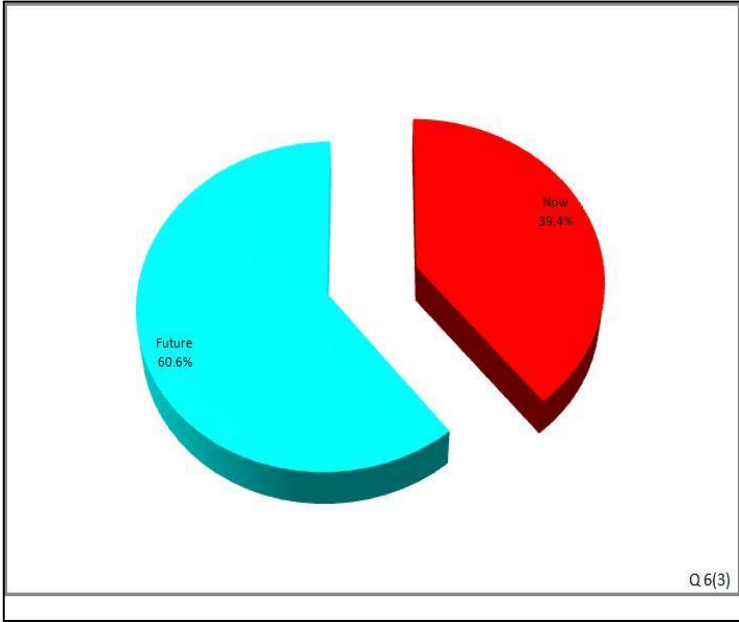
Q 6(1) – Crime			
Now	Future	Now U18	Future U18
34	85	2	2
28.6%	71.4%	50.0%	50.0%



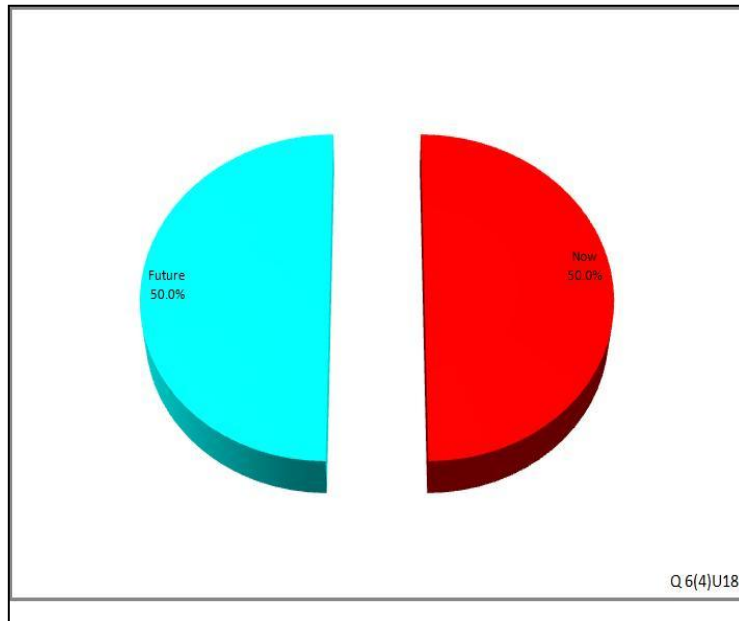
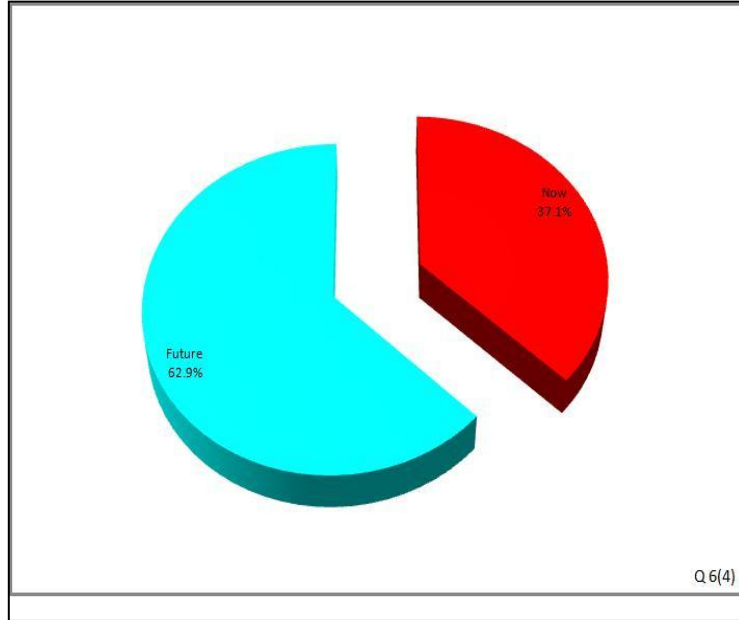
Q 6(2) – Road Safety			
Now	Future	Now U18	Future U18
95	78	4	5
54.9%	45.1%	44.4%	55.6%



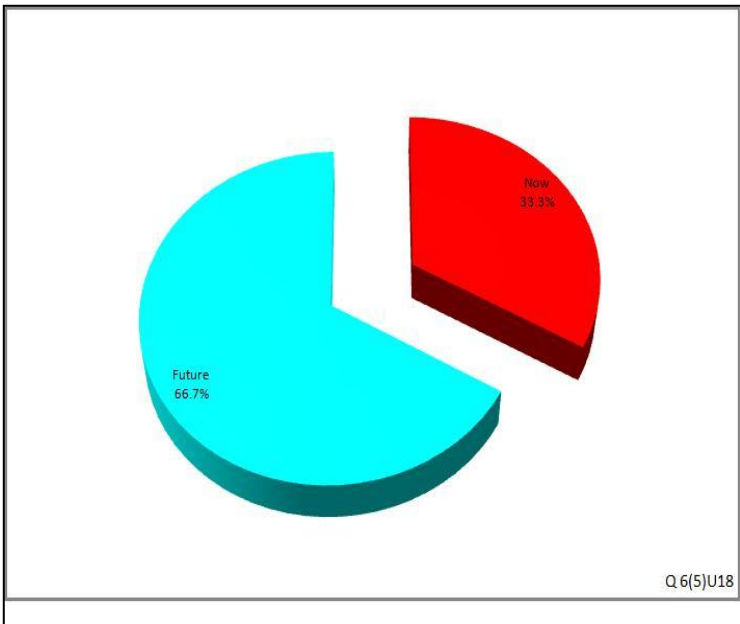
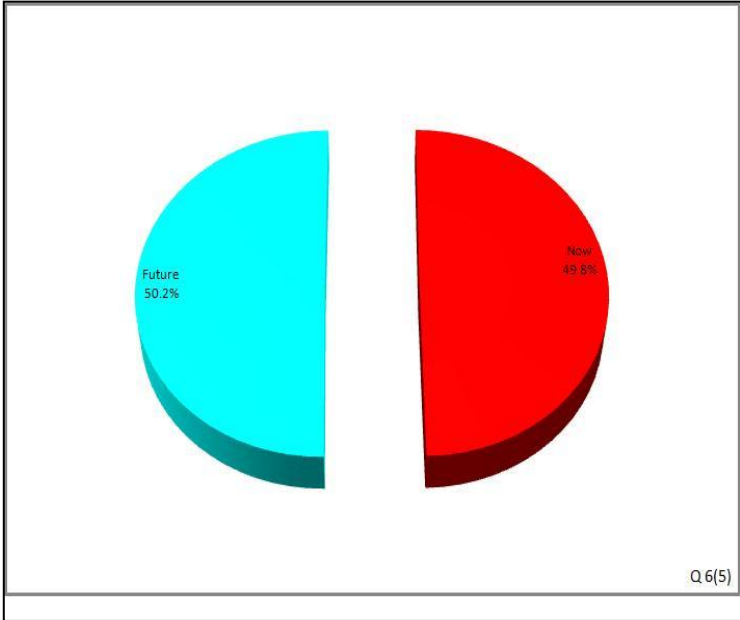
Q 6(3) – Noise Pollution			
Now	Future	Now U18	Future U18
52	80	0	4
39.4%	60.6%	0.0%	100.0%



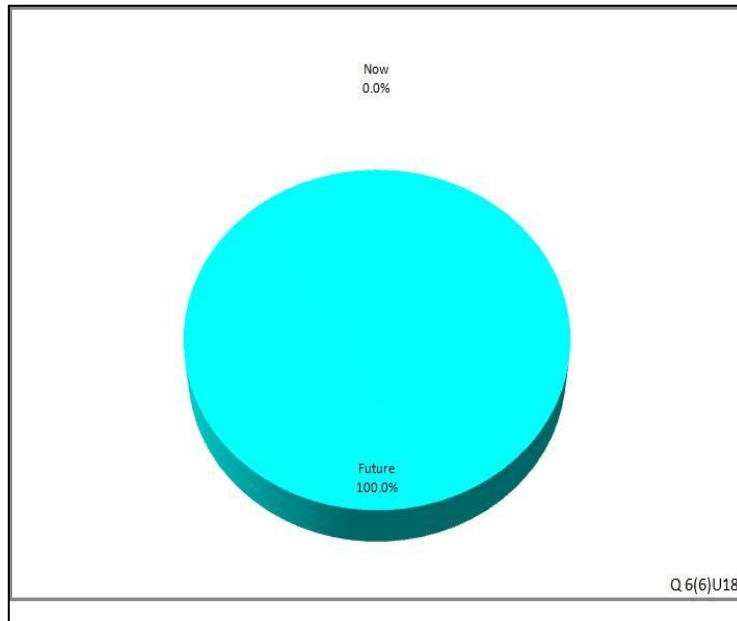
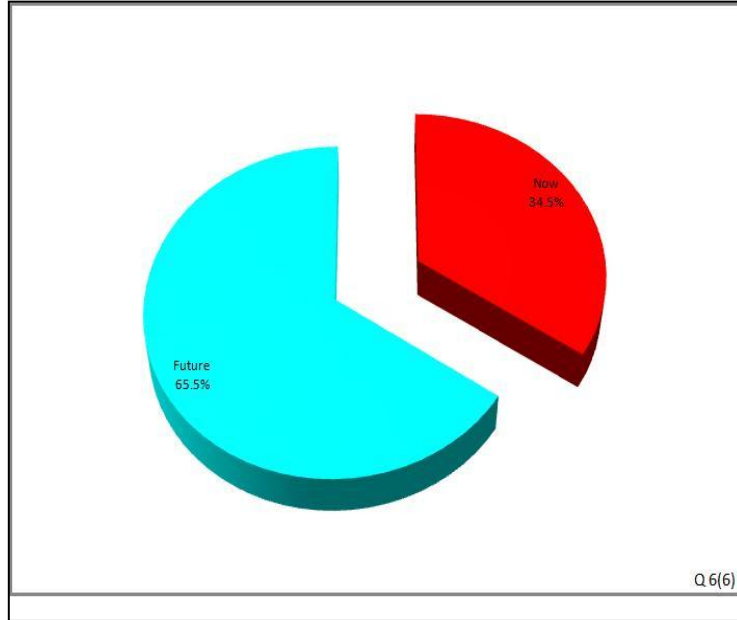
Q 6(4) – Flood Risk			
Now	Future	Now U18	Future U18
46	78	2	2
37.1%	62.9%	50.0%	50.0%



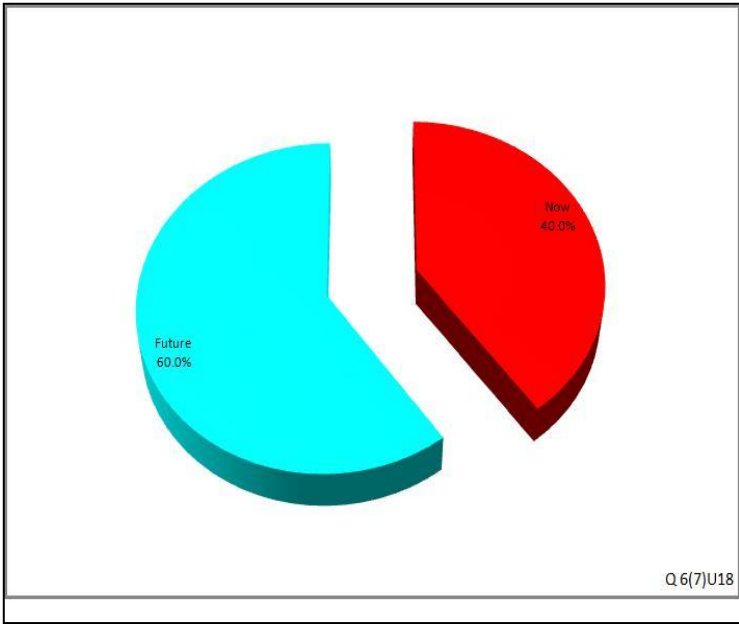
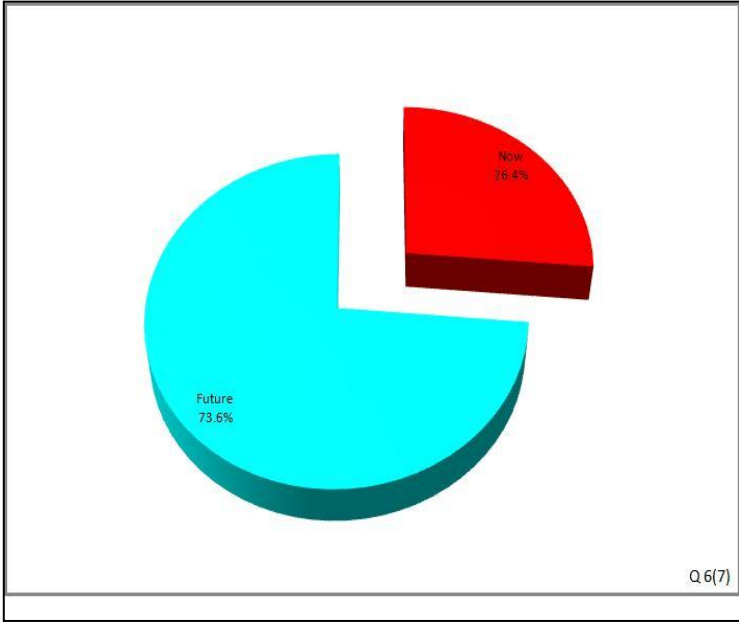
Q 6(5) – Over Development			
Now	Future	Now U18	Future U18
102	103	2	4
49.8%	50.2%	33.3%	66.7%



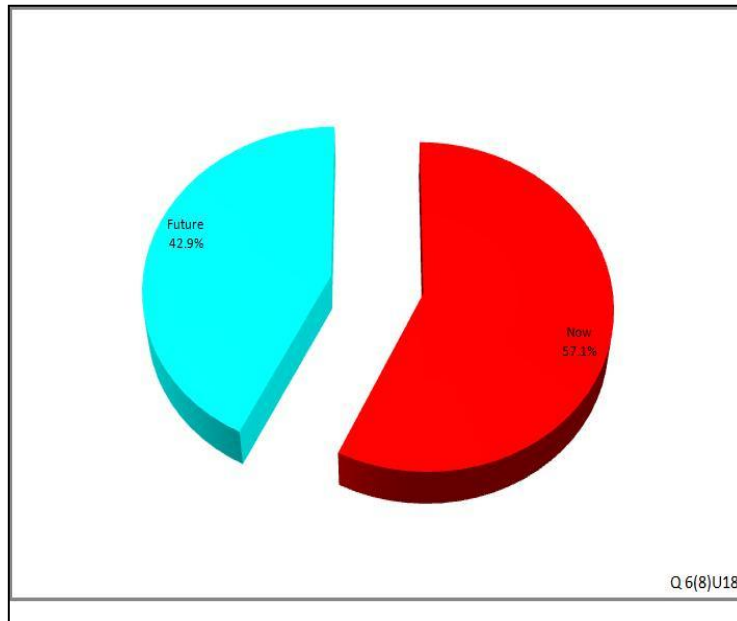
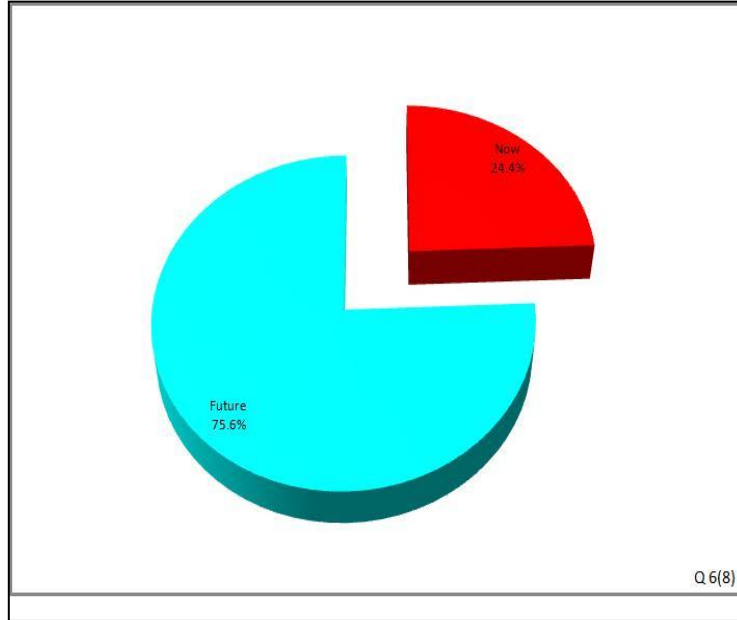
Q 6(6) – Anti-Social Behaviour			
Now	Future	Now U18	Future U18
41	78	0	3
34.5%	65.5%	0.0%	100.0%



Q 6(7) – Lack of Public Transport			
Now	Future	Now U18	Future U18
39	109	2	3
26.4%	73.6%	40.0%	60.0%



Q 6(8) – Lack of Facilities			
Now	Future	Now U18	Future U18
29	90	4	3
24.4%	75.6%	57.1%	42.9%



Figures

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

WHY BOTHER?

A neighbourhood plan is a community led framework for guiding the future development and growth of an area. Neighbourhood plans relate to the use and development of land and associated social, economic and environmental issues. (e.g. housing, employment, transport, heritage) and must be used in determining planning applications in a Neighbourhood.

We believe that local people should be consulted about the future development of their surroundings and that such important decisions cannot be left to Local Government whose conclusions may be drawn from very different considerations to our own.

Wenhaston with Mells is a beautiful, vibrant and supportive rural Parish and it is in all of our interests to enhance and protect our environment and to secure the future of those things that we value most. By producing a Neighbourhood Plan we are getting the opportunity to have our say in how the Parish should develop over the next fifteen years and the completed Plan has legal weight with regards to planning decisions.

Fig 1 - Neighbourhood plan why bother?

FINDING YOUR WAY AROUND THE RESULTS SO FAR

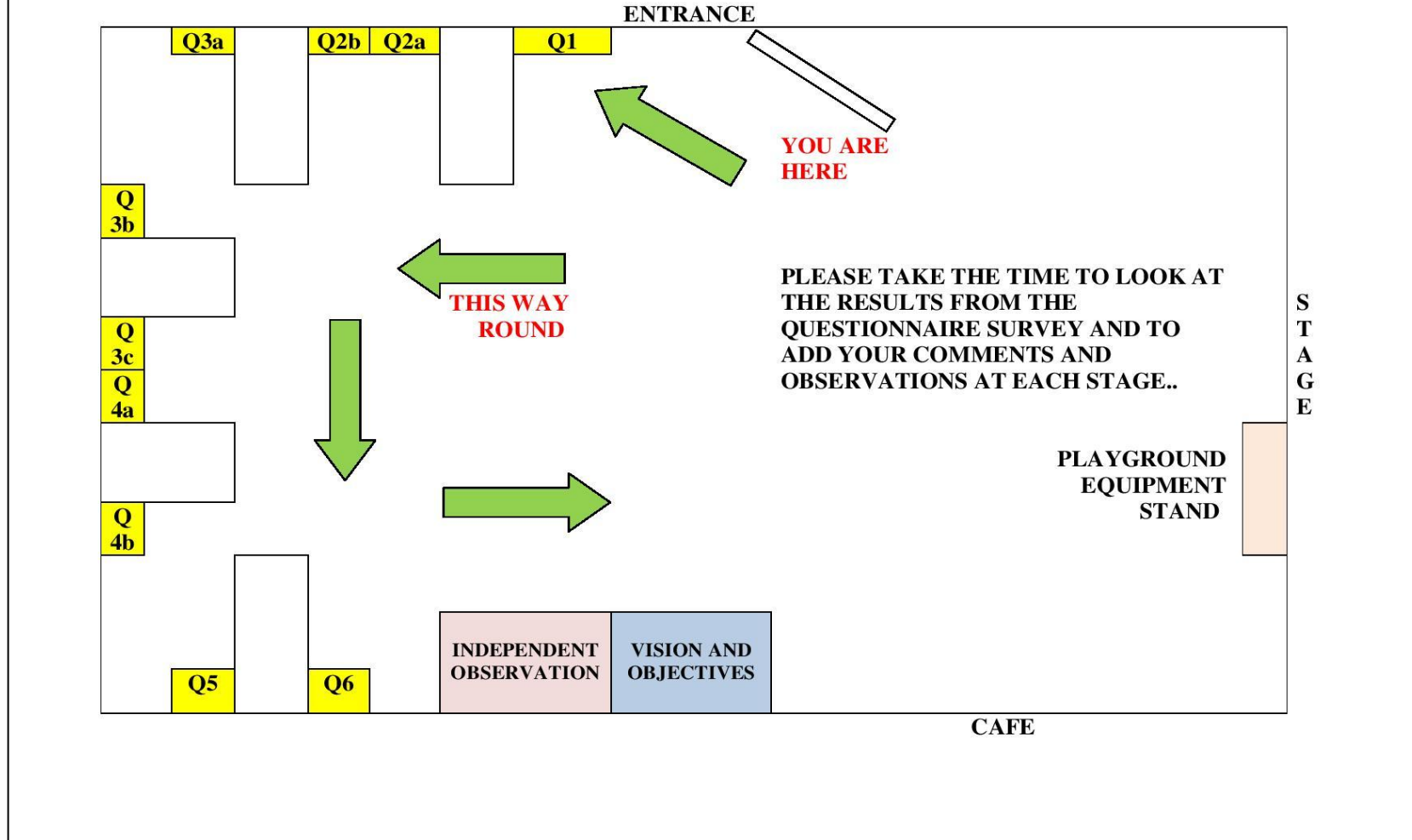


Fig 2 – Finding your way round the results so far.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING PROCESS FLOW CHART.

To construct a Neighbourhood Plan it is essential that a precise set of processes are completed to ensure that the final document is legitimate. Although this is time consuming, in the end it will be of great benefit to the parish,

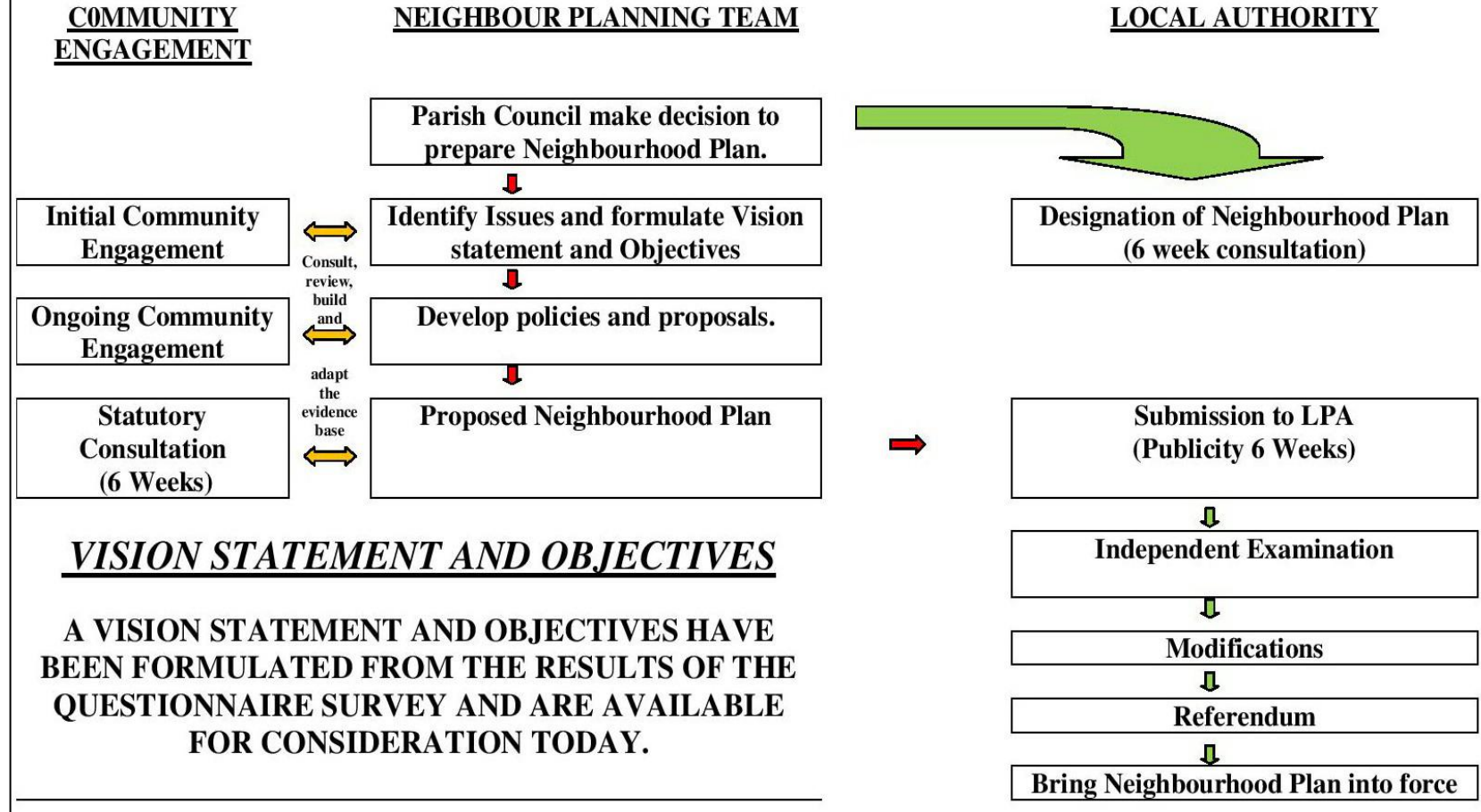


Fig 3 – Neighbourhood planning process flow chart

THE NEXT STAGE

After the consultation today your comments and observations will be collated along with results from the business sector and other interested bodies. If needed, the Visions and Objectives will be amended to reflect these comments and from this point a draft plan will be started. The Plan will have to be in line with Suffolk Coastal's Local Plan and with the National Planning Policy Framework both of which set out the framework for development.

This Plan will lay out the way we think the Parish should develop over the next fifteen years in terms of the use and development of land and associated social, economic and environmental issues. When complete it must undergo further rounds of scrutiny before it finally goes to referendum for approval by the Parish.

Fig 4 – The next stage.



**SATURDAY OCTOBER 24TH
WENHASTON VILLAGE HALL
FROM 10.00am TO 3.00 pm**

FOR ONE DAY ONLY



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**COFFEE AND CAKE
(WHILE STOCKS LAST)**

**A CHANCE TO TRY THE CAFÉ AND ALSO TO VIEW AND
COMMENT ON THE RESULTS OF**

**THE NEIGHBOURHOOD
DEVELOPMENT PLAN
QUESTIONNAIRE SURVEY**

RESULTS AND COMMENTS WILL BE ON VIEW

**MEMBERS OF THE TEAM WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ANSWER
YOUR QUESTIONS AND TO EXPLAIN THE NEXT STEPS**



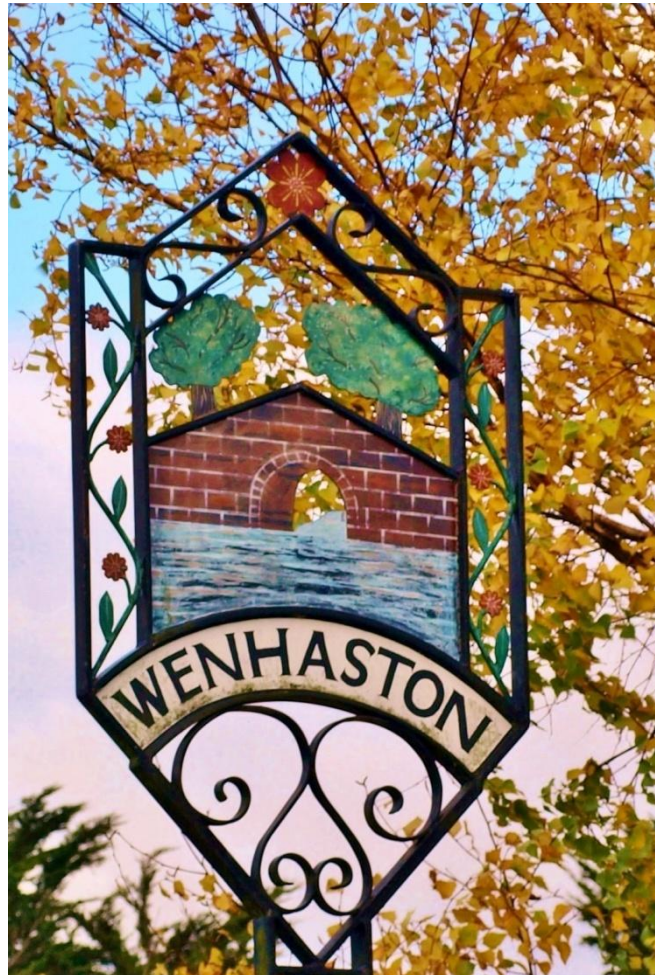
Fig 5 – Publicity poster

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Issues and Concerns
Young Person Trends Survey
1st to 18th May 2016

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This document records the process for carrying out this survey and presents the numeric data from the returns, without analysis, to be used in later interpretation during the Neighbourhood Development Plan.

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The Questionnaire

The questionnaire, Appendix A, was developed to revisit the questions of the initial Issues and Concerns Survey questionnaire, Ref 2. The information was requested in a similar numeric scale of 1 (Not important) to 5 (Very Important) for opinion questions and alpha characters for specific personal intention questions.

Questionnaire Distribution

The survey designed to maximise young people interaction, was carried out by two methods:

- The village youth club distributed questionnaires to the attending members and
- Personal was contact made to non youth club members by meeting them at the returning school bus drop off points in the village.

The survey took place in the days 1st to 18th May 2016.

Survey Results

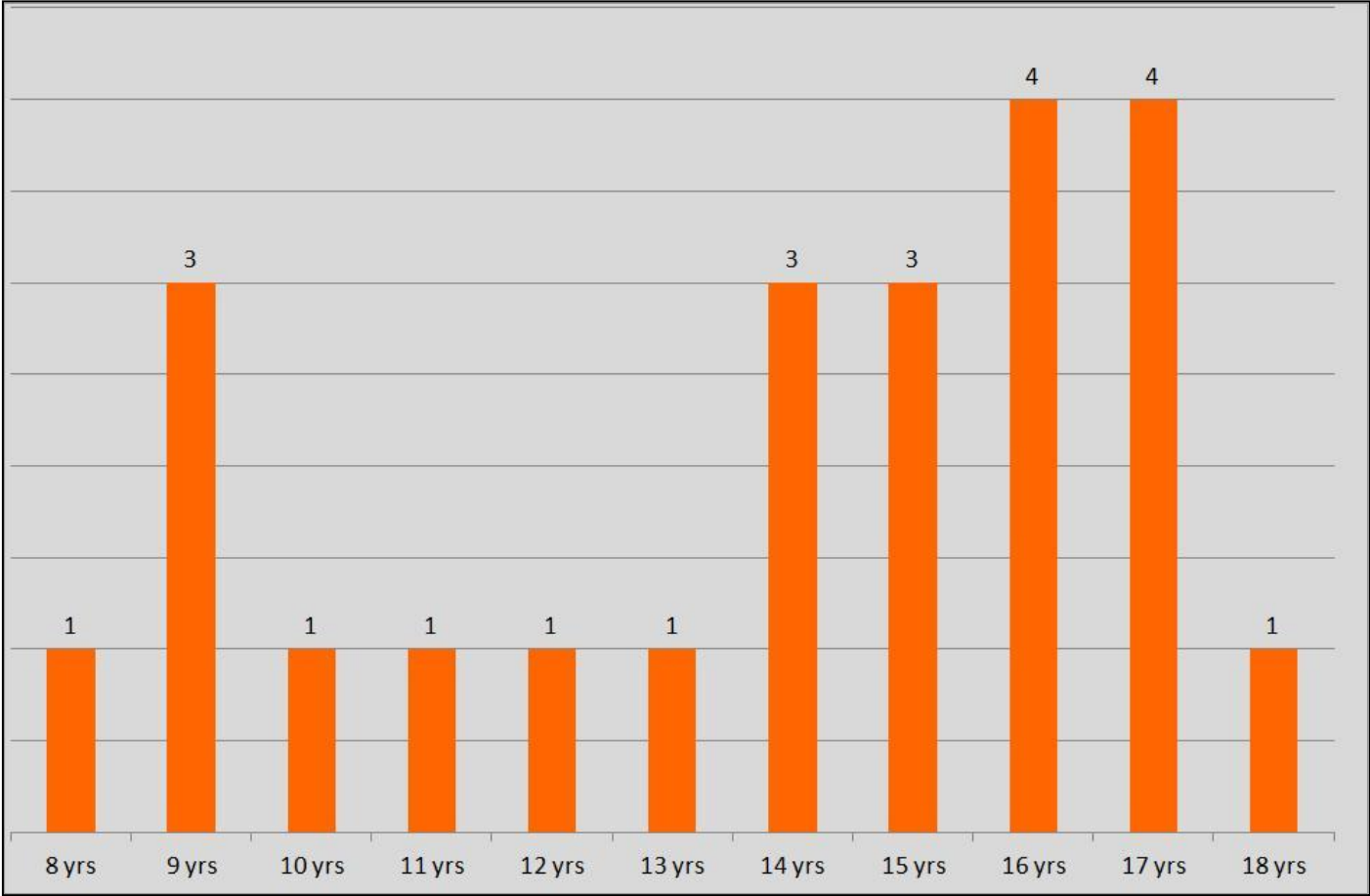
23 responses were received through face to face contact. The 2011 Census, when extrapolated, would suggest that there should be a cohort of approximately fifty

five (55) 8 to 18 year old young people in Wenhaston. This equates to a nominal 42% response rate.

The numeric results of the survey, without analysis/interpretation, follow in the questionnaire order.

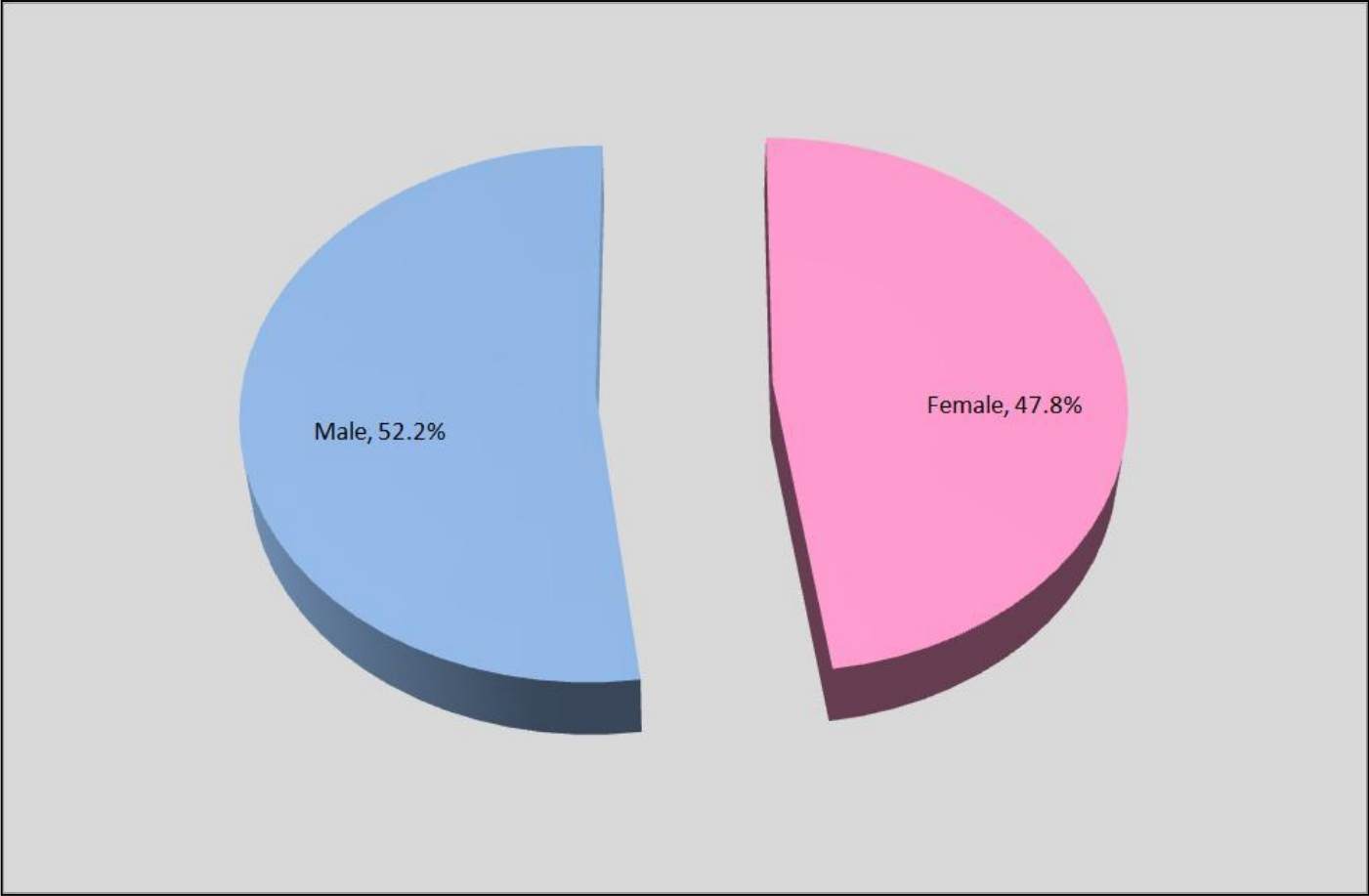
Question 1. Please write in your age

Age-Years	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Responses
Number	1	3	1	1	1	1	3	3	4	4	1	23

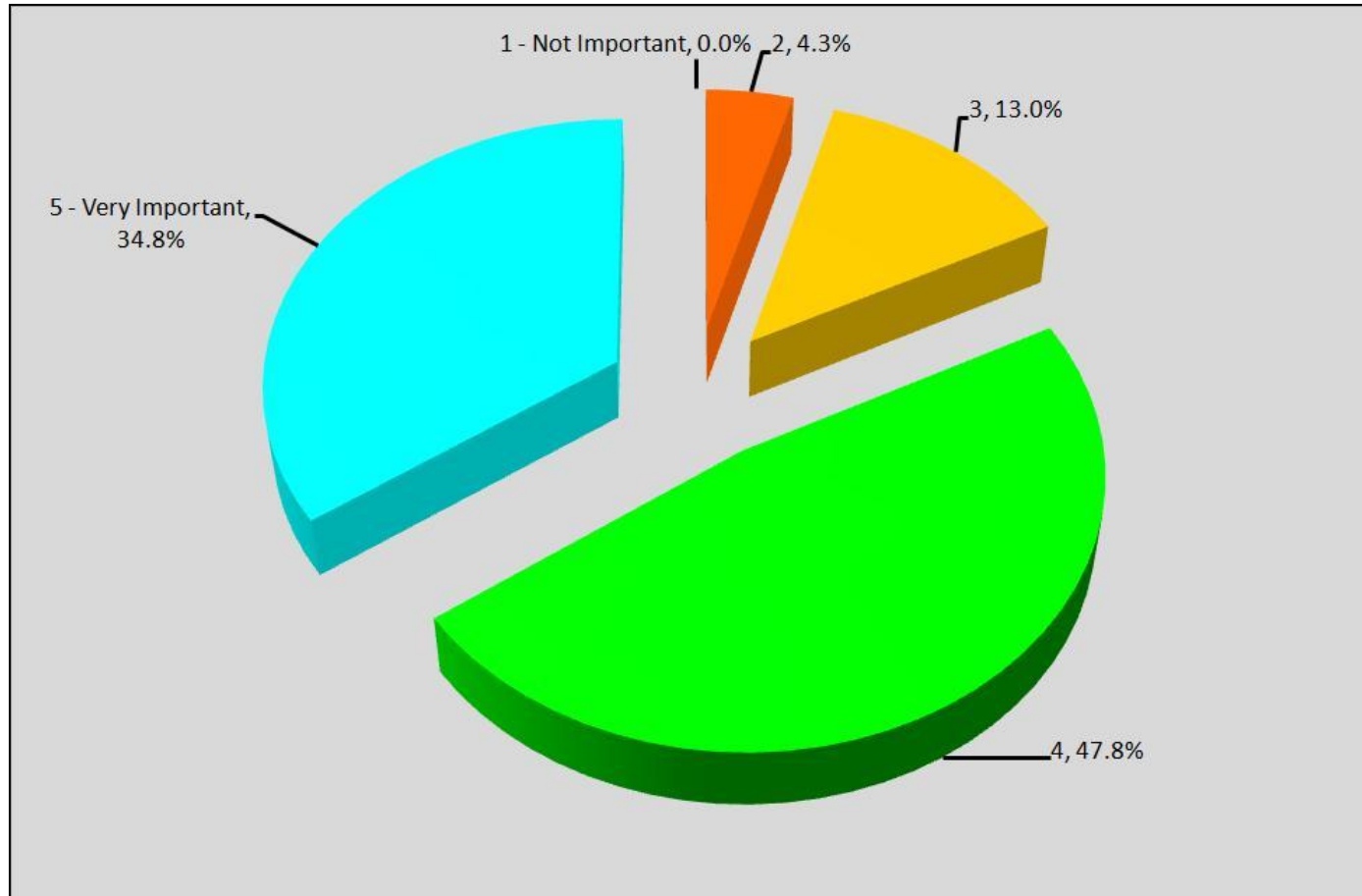


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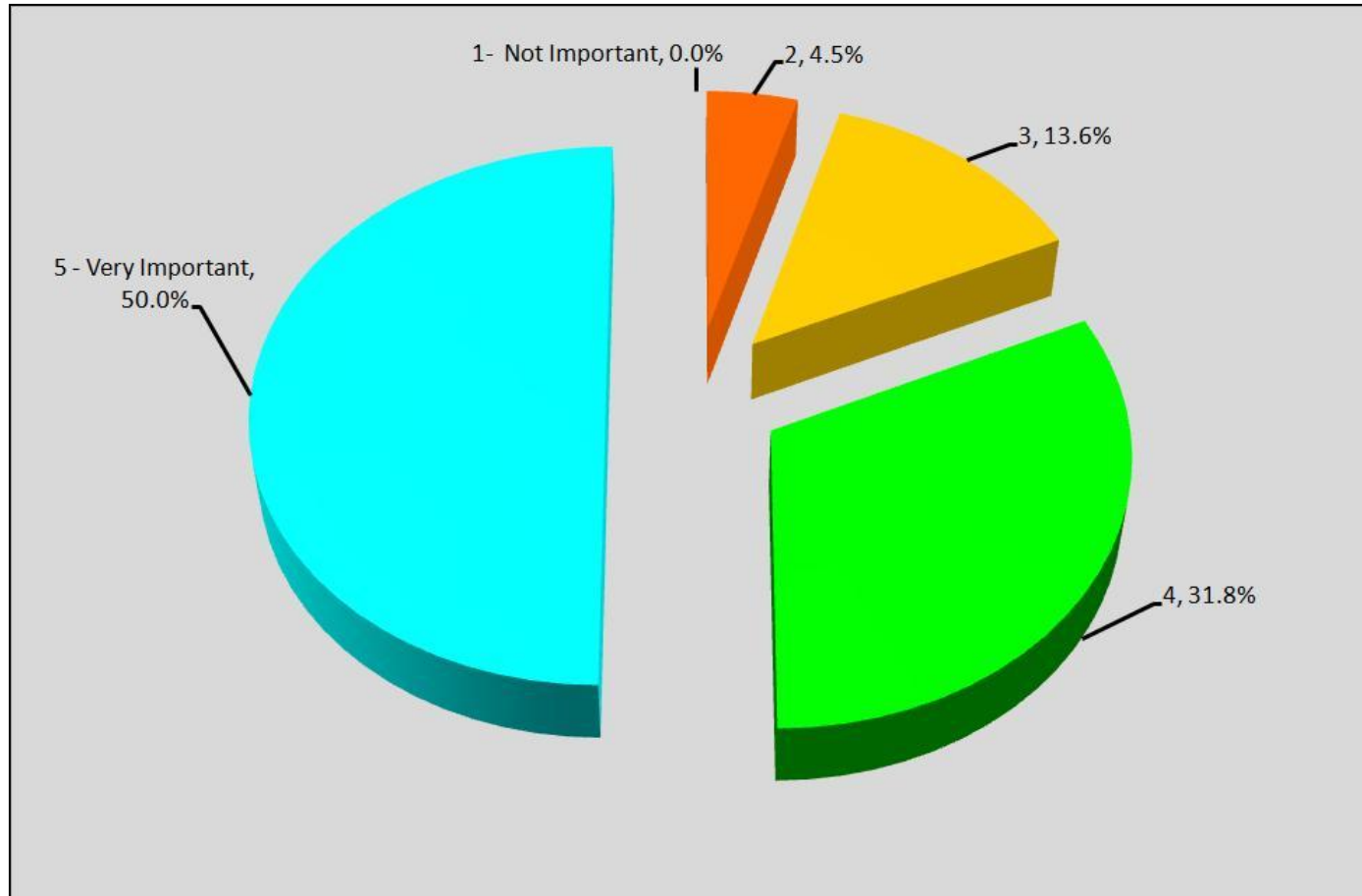
Female	Male	Response
11	12	23
47.8	52.2	%



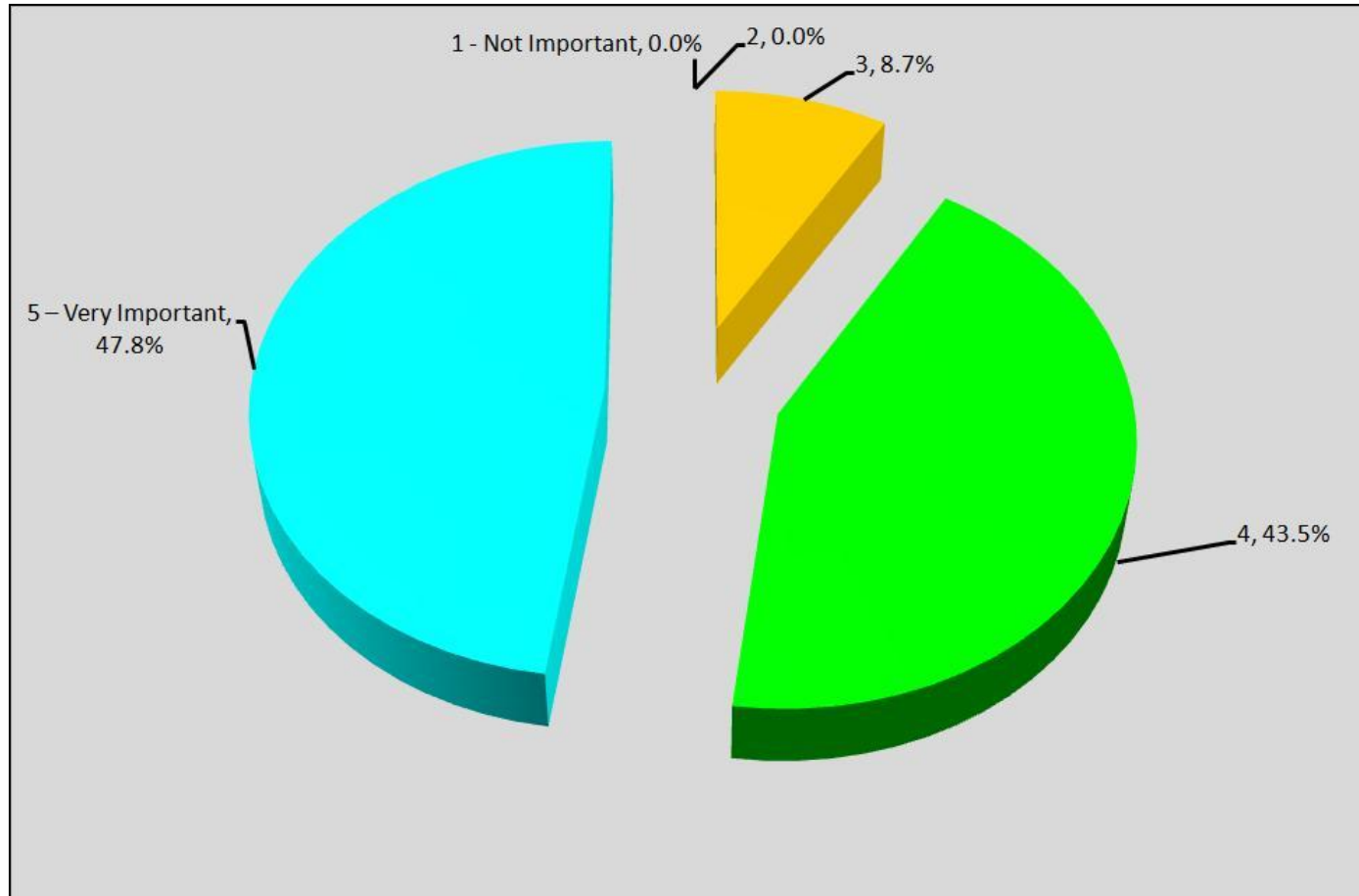
	1 - Not Important	2	3	4	5 - Very Important	Responses
Question 1. The open spaces and peaceful village	0	1	3	11	8	23
	0%	4.3%	13.0%	47.8%	34.8%	



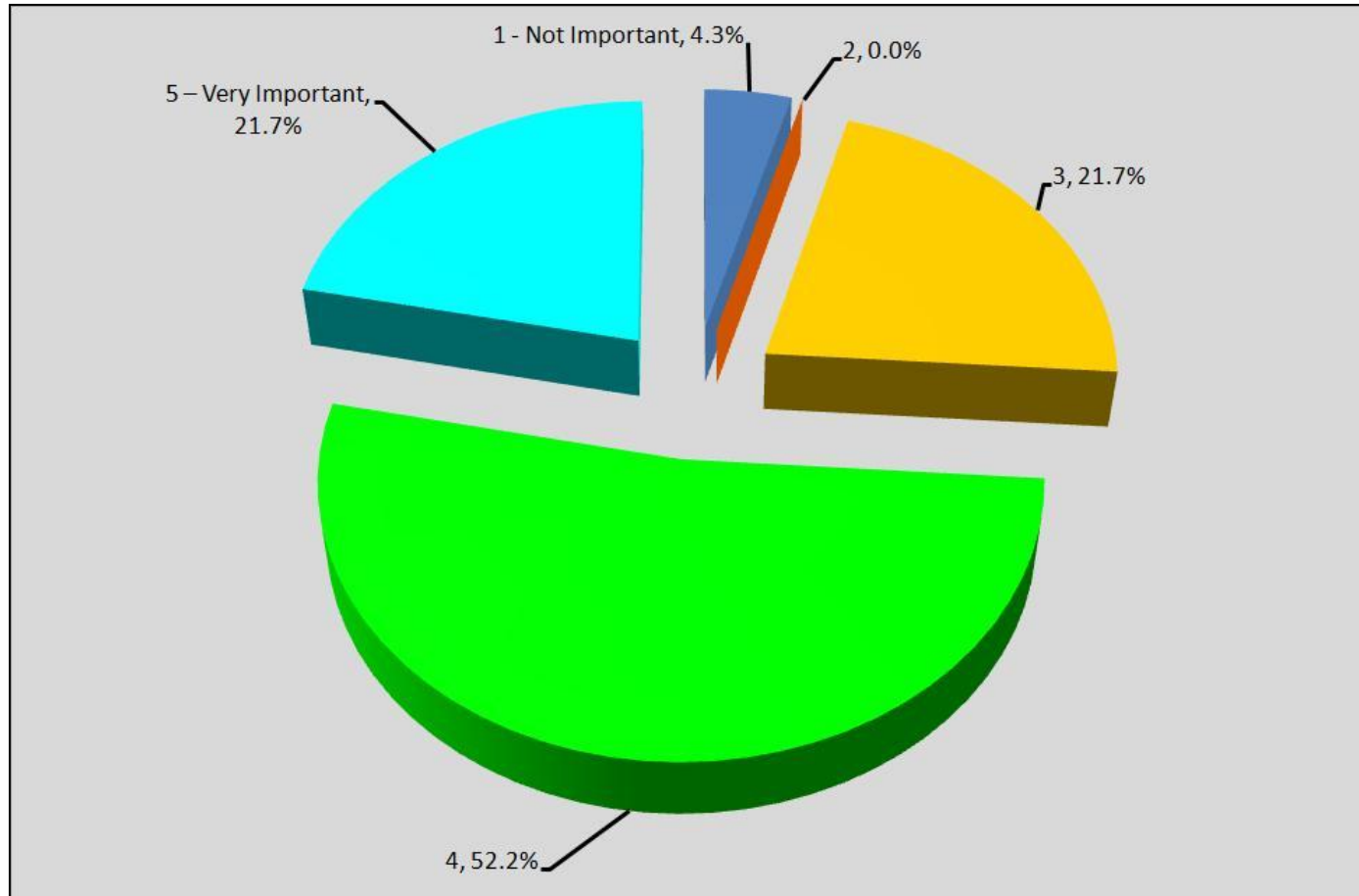
	1- Not Important	2	3	4	5 - Very Important	Responses
Question 2. The five commons	0	1	3	7	11	22
	%	0	4.5	13.6	31.8	50.0



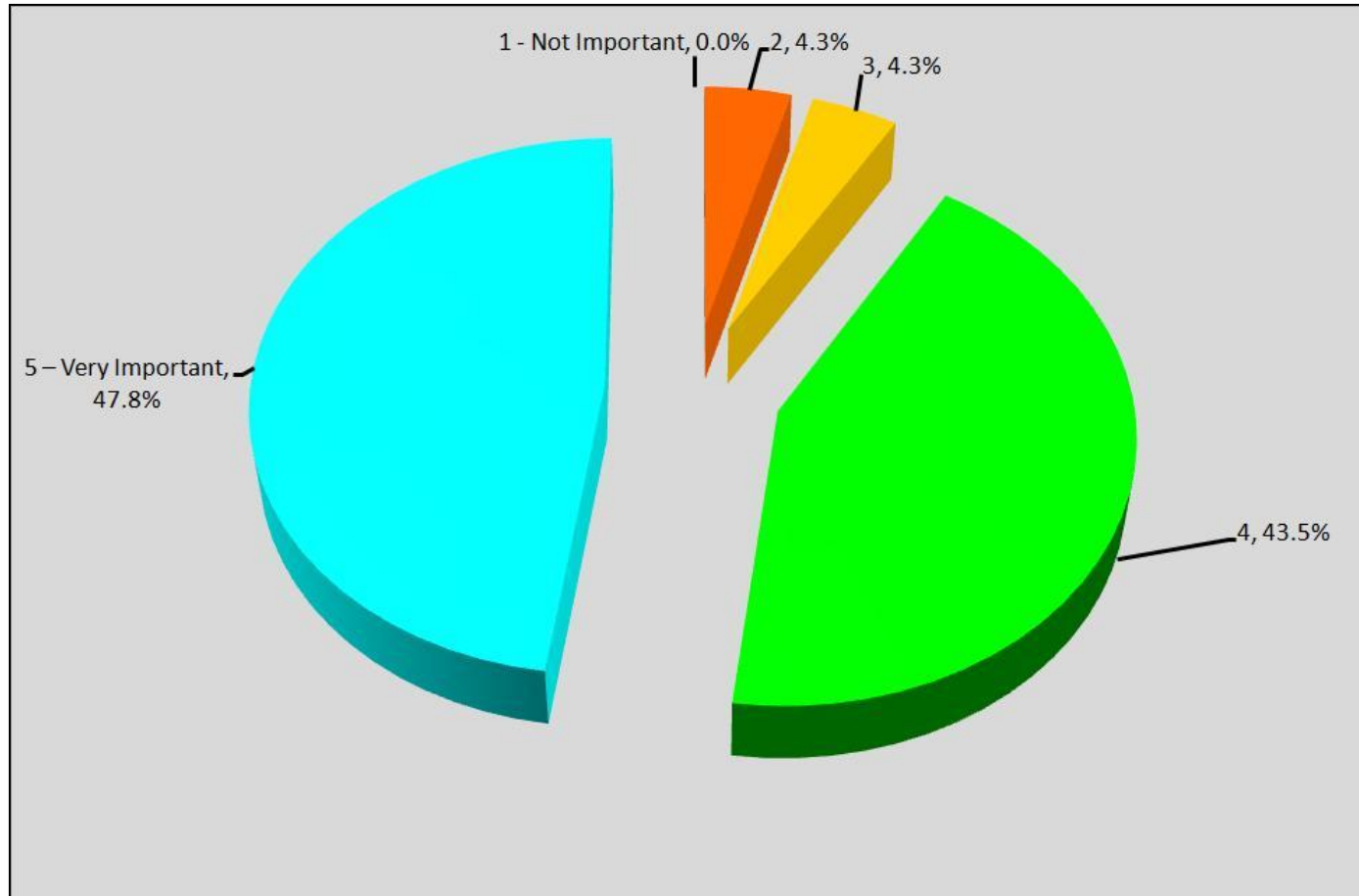
	1 - Not Important	2	3	4	5 - Very Important	Responses
Question 3. Friendly and safe village and roads	0	0	2	10	11	23
	0	0	8.7	43.5	47.8	



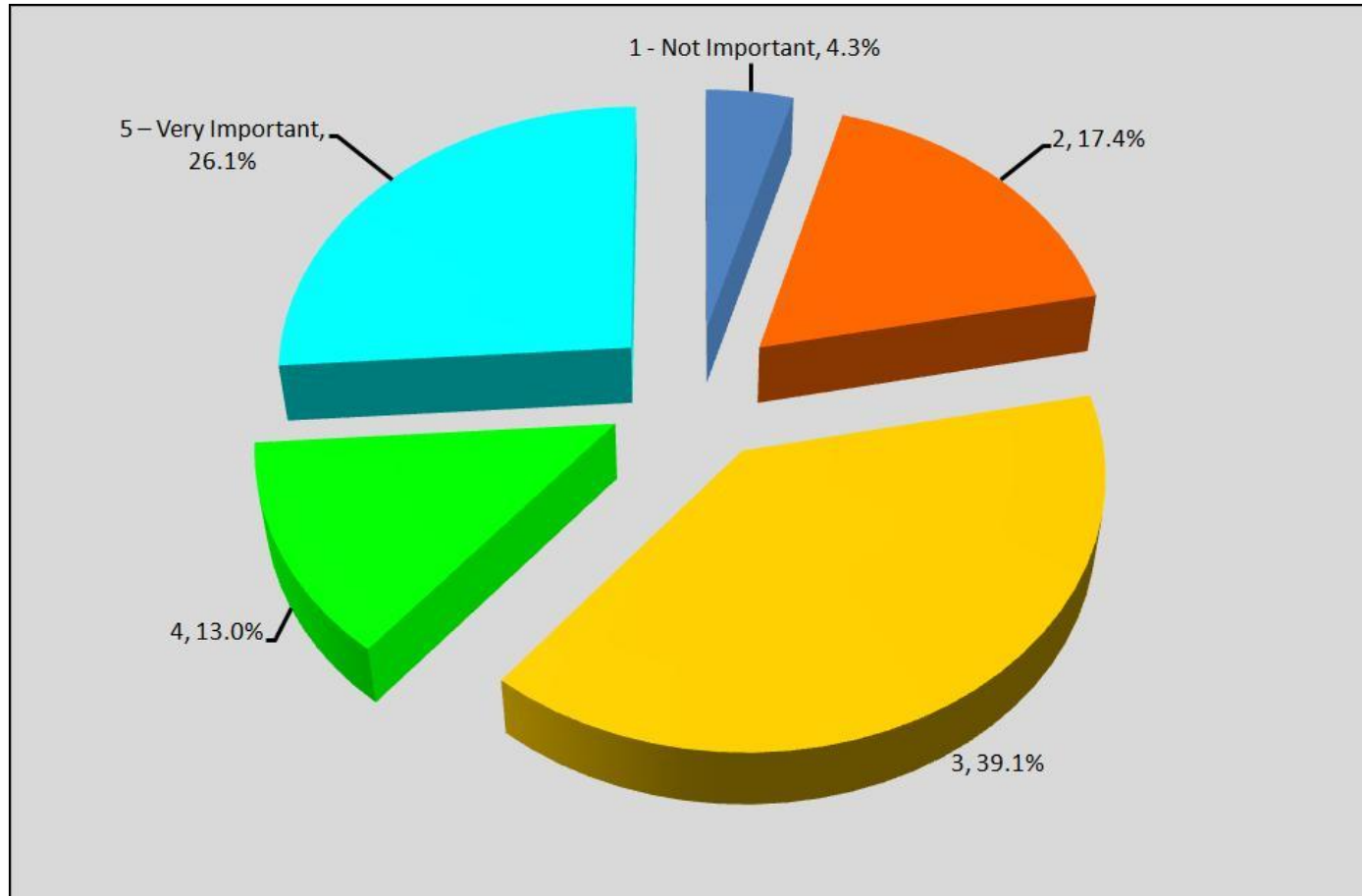
	1 - Not Important	2	3	4	5 – Very Important	Responses
Question 4. Village amenities, facilities and activities.	1	0	5	12	5	23
	4.3	0	21.7	52.2	21.7	



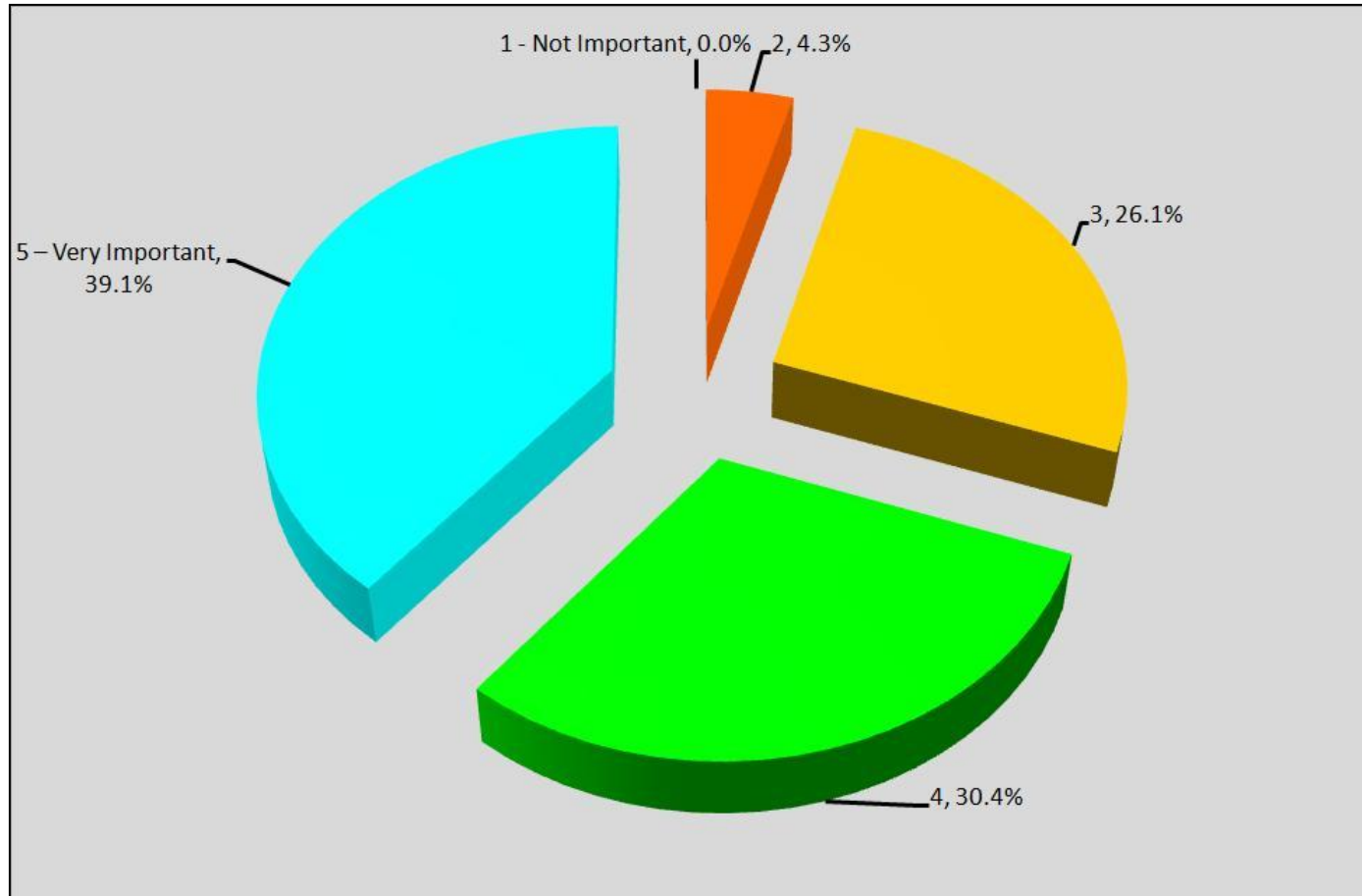
	1 - Not Important	2	3	4	5 – Very Important	Responses
Question 5. Protecting the environment and wildlife.	0	1	1	10	11	23
	%	4.3	4.3	43.5	47.8	



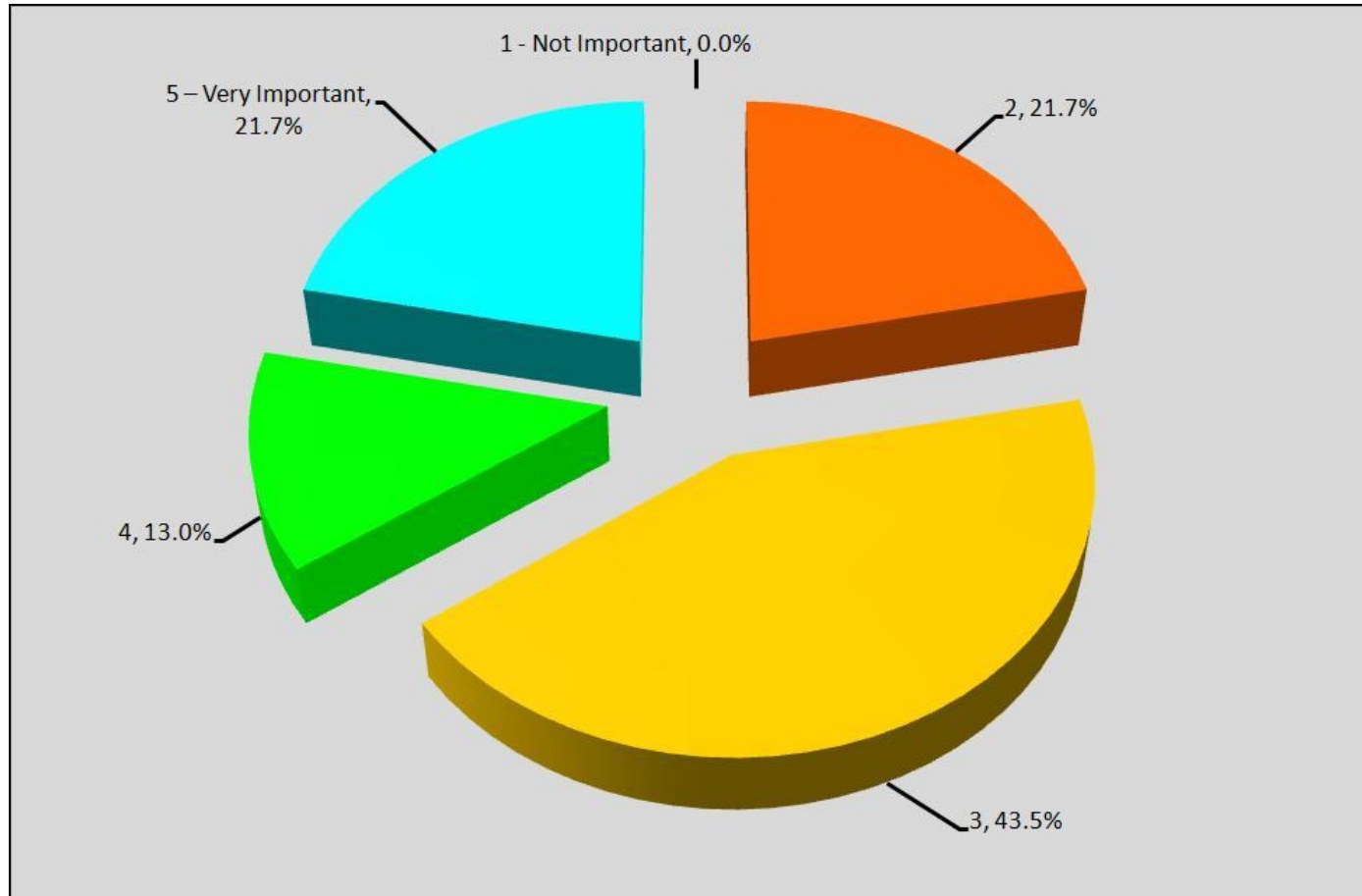
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Question 6. The Village Hall	1	4	9	3	6	23
%	4.3	17.4	39.1	13.0	26.1	



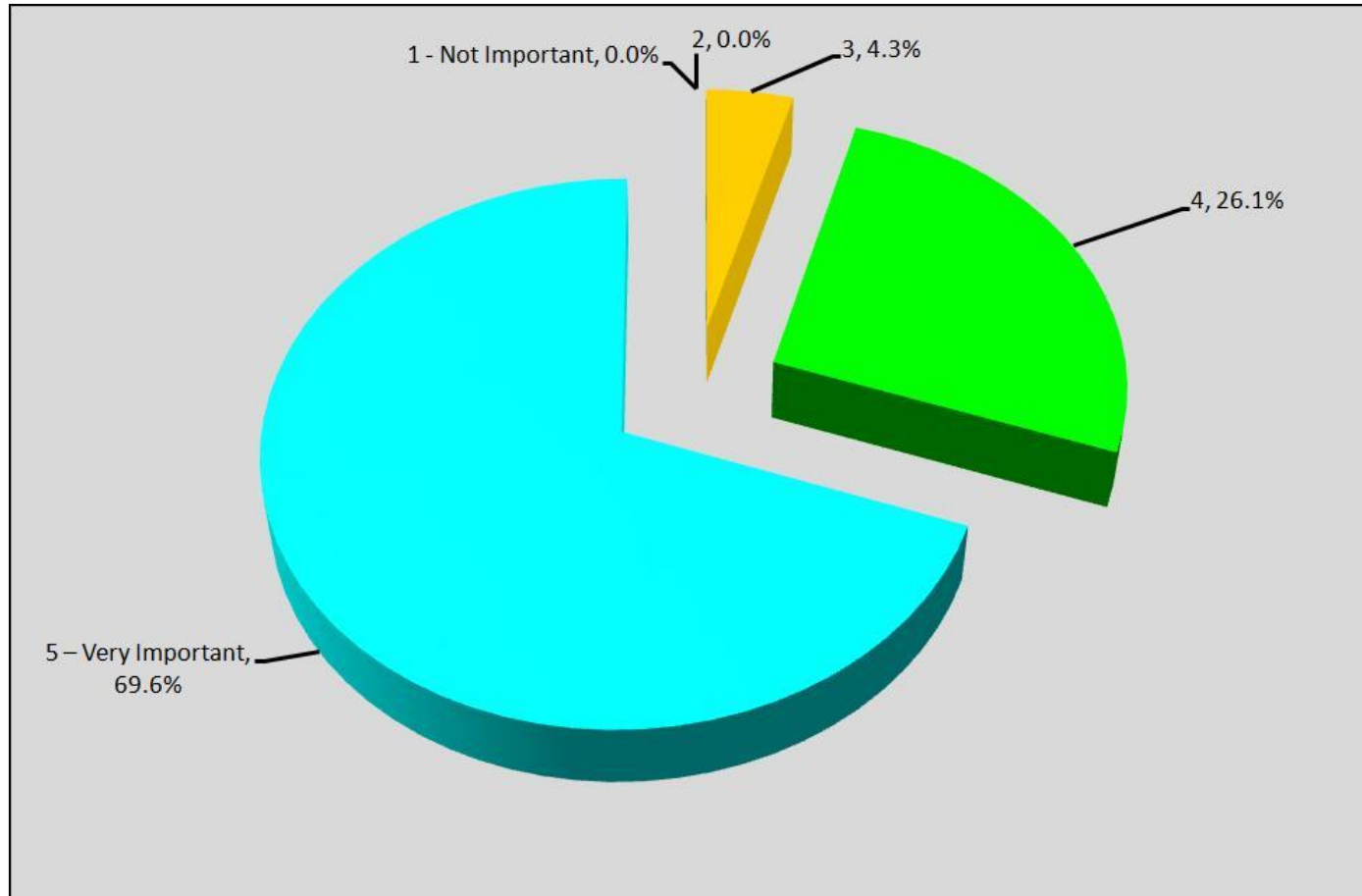
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Question 7. The Playing Field	0	1	6	7	9	23
	%	0	4.3	26.1	30.4	39.1



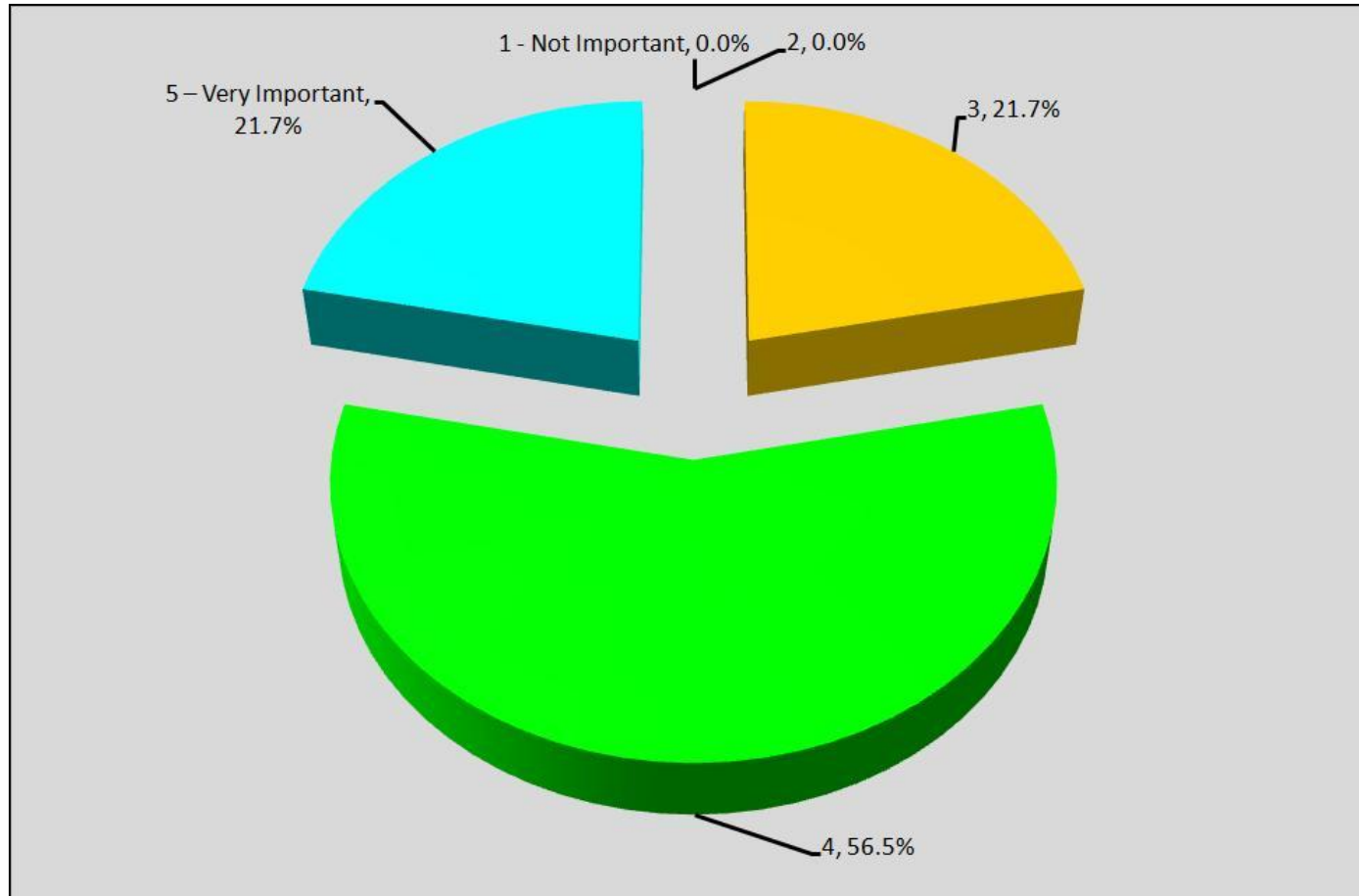
	1 - Not Important	2	3	4	5 – Very Important	Responses
Question 8. The Bus Service	0	5	10	3	5	23
	%	21.7	43.5	13.0	21.7	



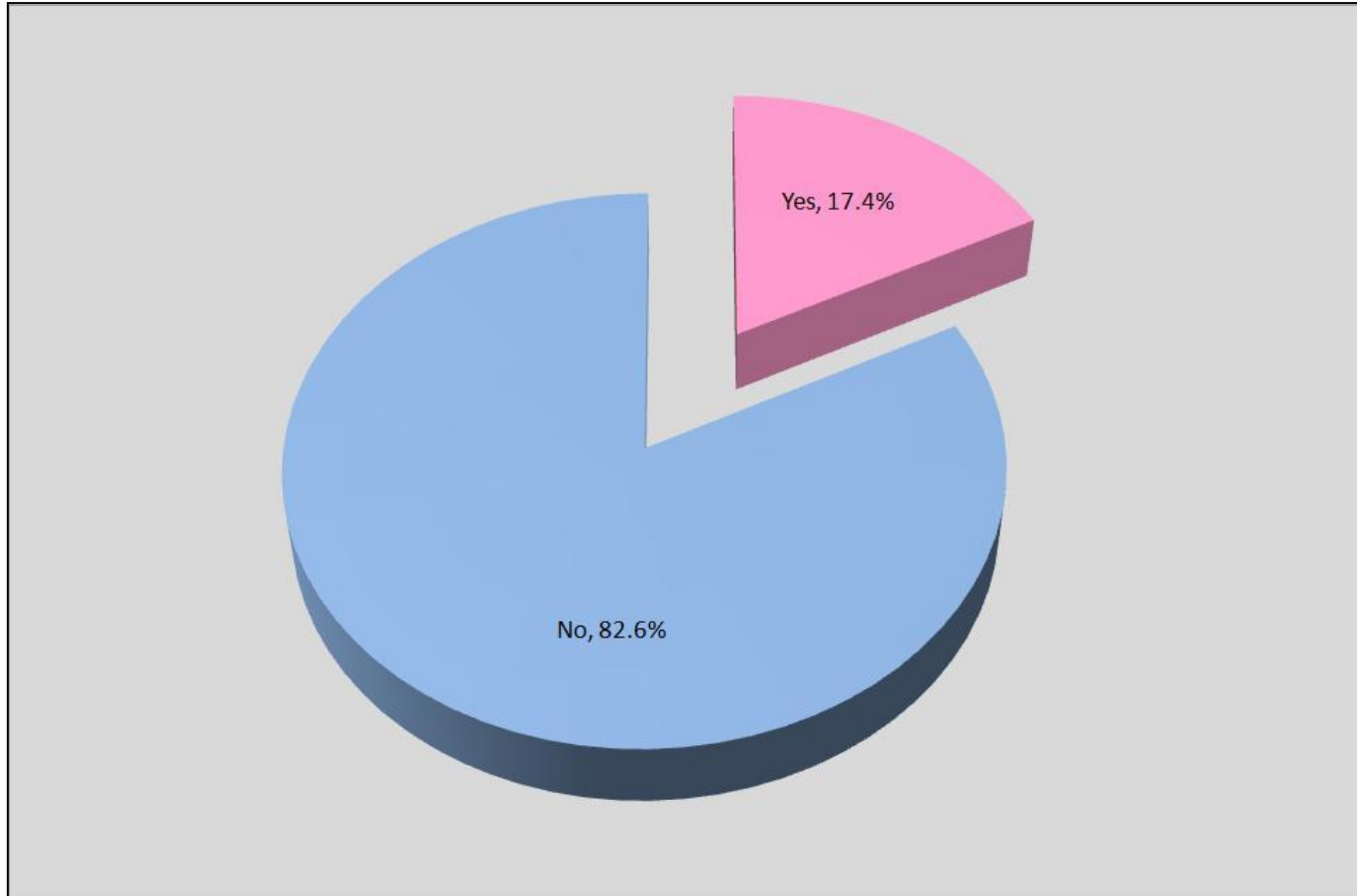
	1 - Not Important	2	3	4	5 – Very Important	Responses
Question 9. High Speed internet	0	0	1	6	16	23
	%	0	4.3	26.1	69.6	



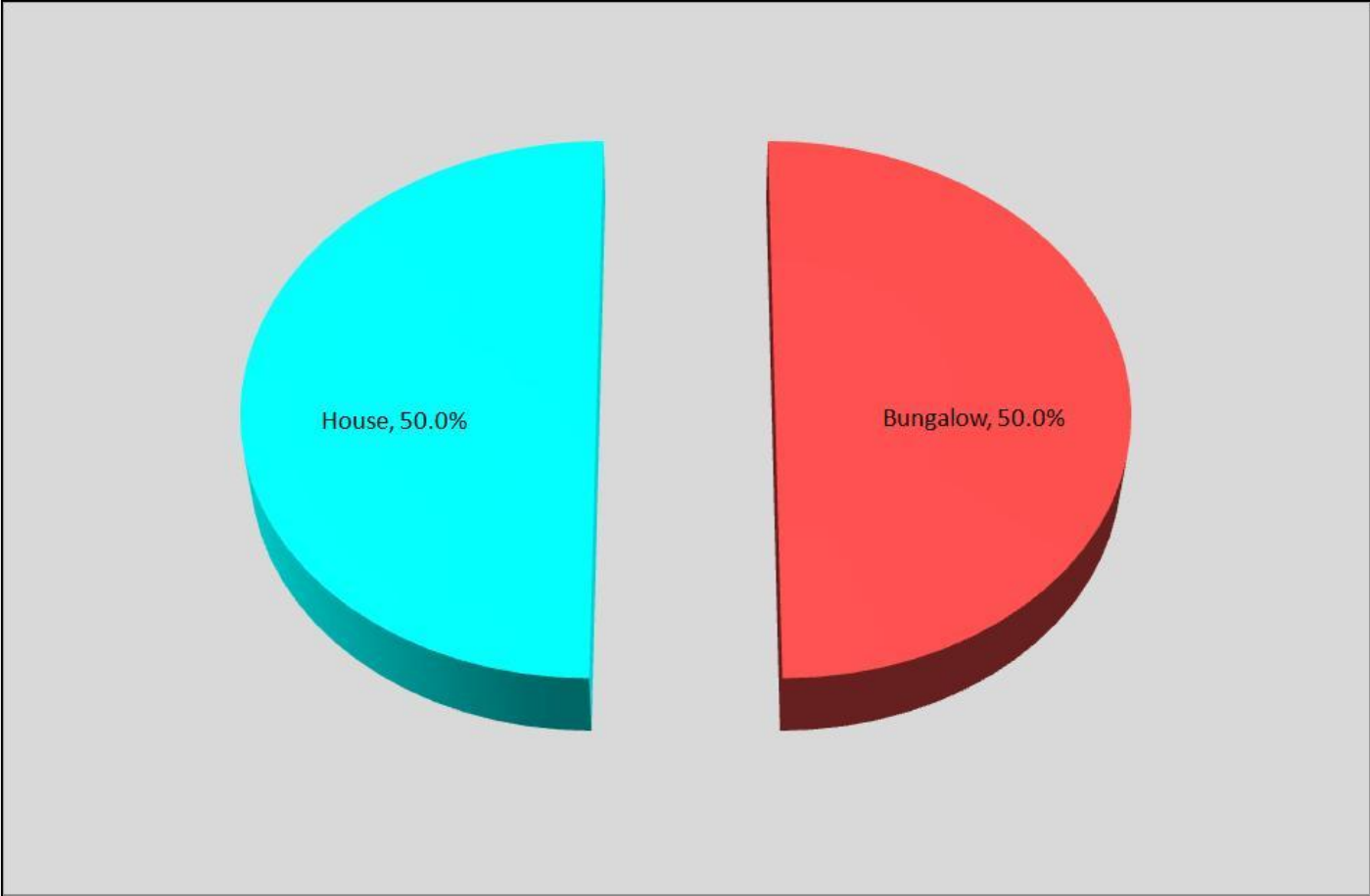
	1 - Not Important	2	3	4	5 – Very Important	Responses
Question 10. The Post Office and Heathside shop	0	0	5	13	5	23
	%	0	21.7	56.5	21.7	



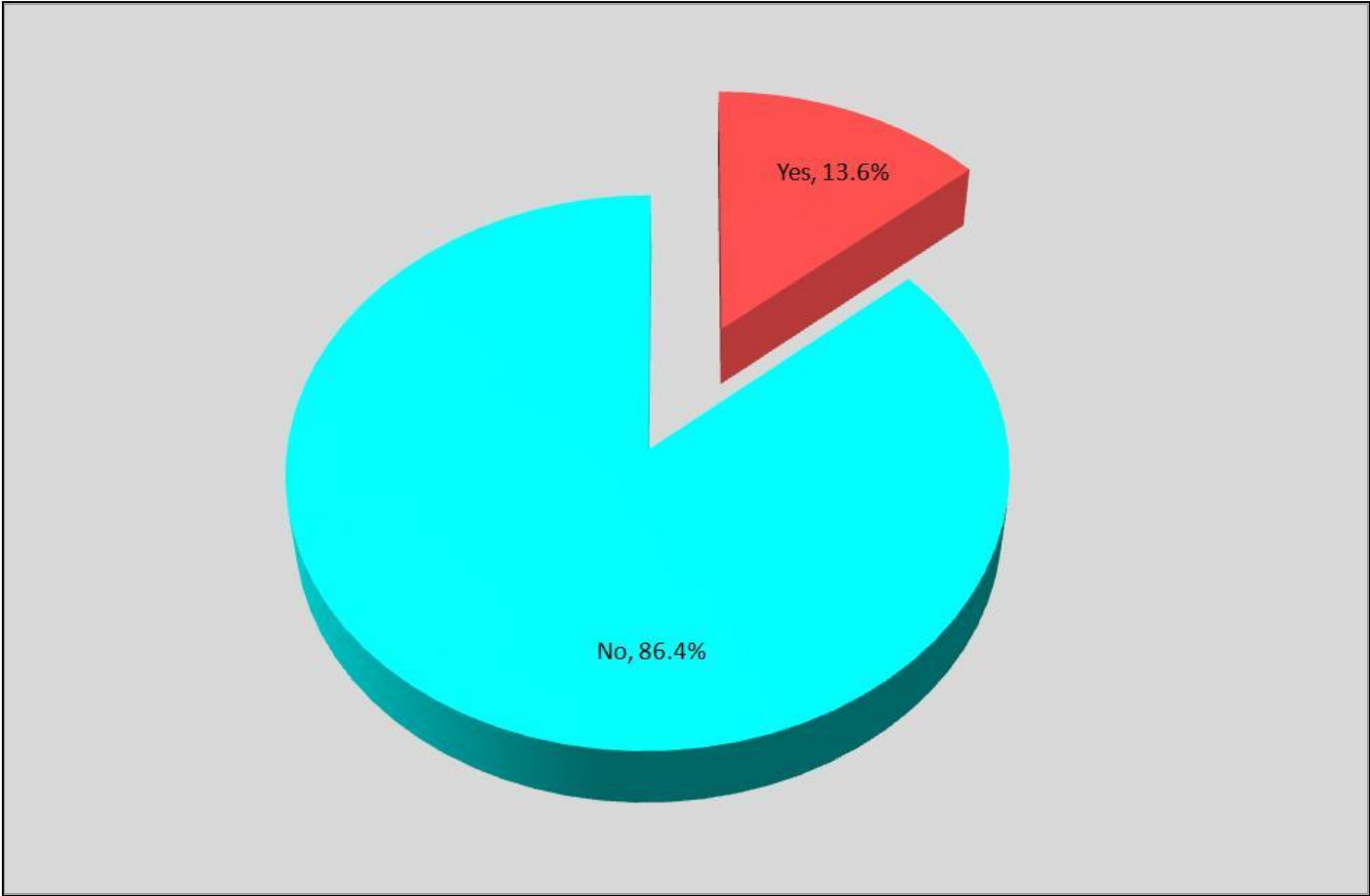
	Y	N	Responses
Question 11. Do you intend living in Wenhaston as an adult? Y/N	4	19	23
%	17.4	82.6	100



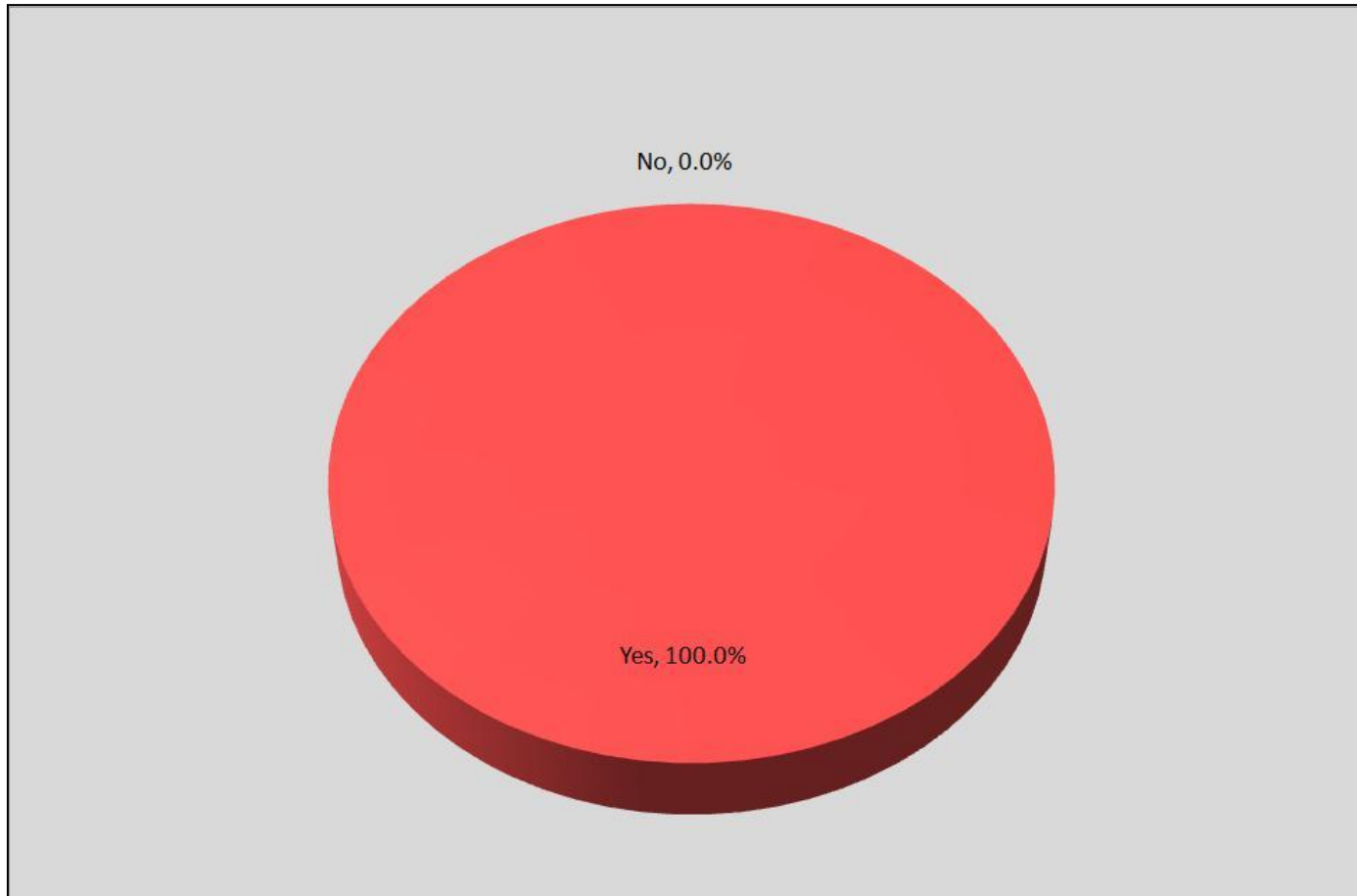
	B	H	Responses
Question 12. IF so would you want a bungalow(B) or house (H)	2	2	4
	50.0	50.0	100



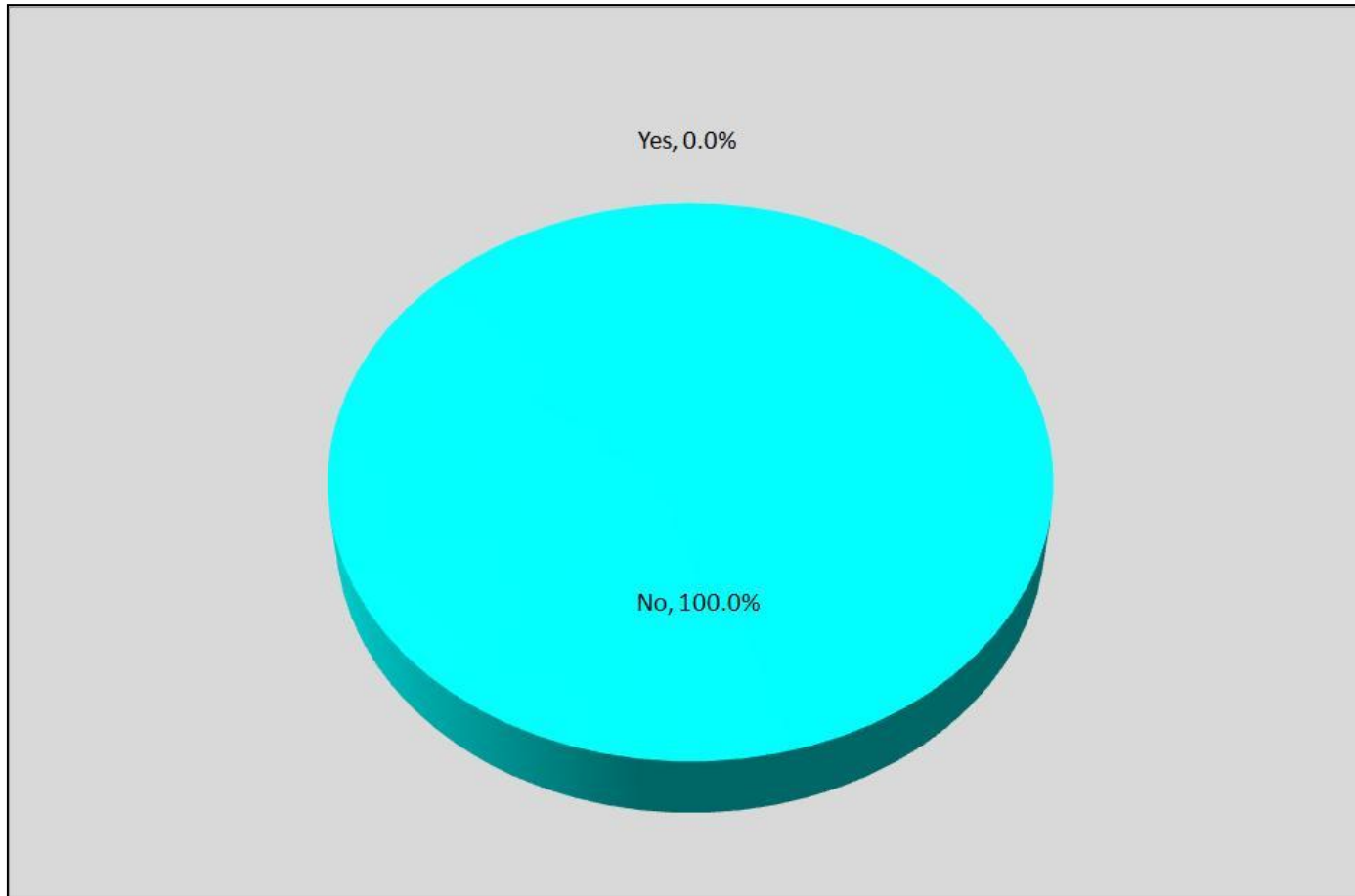
	Y	N	Responses
Question 13. Does Wenhaston need more housing? Y/N	3	19	22
%			100



	Y	N	Responses
Question 14. If Yes should more housing be inside the village Y/N	3	0	3
	100.0	0	100



	Y	N	Responses
Question 15. Or in the countryside Y/N	0	3	3
	0	100.0	100



Appendix A

**WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN.
YOUNG PERSON TRENDS SURVEY FOR THE NEXT 15 YEARS.**

If you rate something as important, we will take this to mean that you would like to see it safeguarded and improved or enhanced. The opposite is true for unimportant answers.

Please write in your age	
Gender M or F	
On a scale of 1 (Not Important) to 5 (Very Important) please rate the following	
The open spaces and peaceful village	
The five commons	
Friendly and safe village and roads	
Village amenities, facilities and activities.	
Protecting the environment and wildlife.	
The Village Hall	
The Playing Field	
The Bus Service	
High Speed internet	
The Post Office and Heathside shop	
Do you intend living in Wenhaston as an adult? Y/N	
If so would you want a bungalow(B) or house (H)	
Does Wenhaston need more housing? Y/N	
If Yes should more housing be inside the village Y/N	
Or in the countryside Y/N	

References

- Ref.1 Demographic Information for Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet – 2011 Census, WwMNDP/11
- Ref.2 Issues and Concerns Survey, 30th May to 13th June, 2015, WwMNDP/01

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Neighbourhood Development Plan



Pre Submission Draft Consultation
1st October to 12th November, 2016

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As a stage of the process leading to a 'made' plan the draft plan is subjected to consultation and assessment process. The first stage of this process consultation has been carried out between October 1st and November 12th 2016, and comments have been returned for assessment and implementation into the plan where, and if, appropriate.

The numeric results and written comments data of the consultation are presented without interpretation. Analysis of the data will be presented in a later document.

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The first stage of this process was a 'pre-submission' consultation with Parishioners and all interested parties. The consultation was carried out over a six week period from October 1st to November 12th 2016. The Parishioners were consulted by means of a questionnaire based upon the individual policies and strategies of the draft plan. Interested parties and businesses were consulted by direct contact by letter or email with a copy of the draft plan being made available in paper copy or electronic file formats.

The Questionnaire (Appendix A)

The questionnaire was developed by reference to the draft plan policies and strategies. The structure followed the eleven topic areas with each question related to individual policy or strategy statements in the draft plan. The participants were asked for their Disagreement or Agreement with the policy or strategy, with provision for written comment to be made under each topic group or as an overall comment of the draft plan.

Questionnaire Distribution

The initial Issues and Concerns survey distribution of the questionnaires was reproduced with the group of initial volunteers distributing individual copies to each of the 430 houses previously identified in the Parish. This distribution took place in the week before October 1st 2016. Collection points for completed questionnaires were made available at the Village Hall, the Post Office or by direct return to plan team members.

Interested Parties, Businesses and Large Community Groups

Letters canvassing views for the draft Neighbourhood Development Plan were sent to 17 Interested Parties, 41 Businesses and 8 Large Community Groups to coincide with the resident questionnaire survey period. (See WwMNDP/02).

Publicity

The intention for the Questionnaire survey taking place was publicised through the local parish newsletter 'The Wenhaston Warbler' and the Wenhaston with Mellis website, www.wenhaston.onesuffolk.net.

A display and consultation event was carried out on October 8th in Wenhaston Village Hall from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm. Members of the plan team were on hand to answer questions and give further information if needed. Full paper copies of the draft plan were made available to be perused at the time or to be borrowed for return within three days for those wishing to read the full detail of the basis of the policies and strategies on display. The provision of free coffee and cake at the cafe was offered as an inducement to attendees. Over 100 people attended this event.



Survey Results

430 questionnaires were delivered and 53 were completed and returned, representing a 12.3% return.

17 letters were sent out to Interested Parties and 14 responses were received, representing a 82% return.

40 letters were sent out to Businesses and 1 response was received, representing a 2.5% return.

8 letters were sent out to Large Community Groups and 1 response was received, representing a 12.5% return.

The numeric results of the survey, without analysis/interpretation, follow in the questionnaire order.

Section 1 – Housing Development Management Policy

	Disagree		Support		No response		Responses
		%		%		%	
New housing should be directed to inside the defined Physical limits (Village envelope)	5	9.43	47	88.68	1	1.89	53
Outside these physical limits, development will be limited to that which of necessity needs to be there	5	9.43	47	88.68	1	1.89	53
Development to be restricted to that of infilling by one dwelling or a pair of semi-detached dwellings within a continuous built up frontage	5	9.43	44	83.02	4	7.55	53
Development in or near sensitive landscape locations will not be permitted other than in exceptional circumstances	3	5.66	48	90.57	2	3.77	53
For any application, attention will be given to the design of the spaces around the proposal as well as the development itself	2	3.77	49	92.45	2	3.77	53
Local Development Protection Areas will remain undisturbed	2	3.77	48	90.57	3	5.66	53
The strategy for new housing is that it should be directed towards young people staying in the parish and to the needs of an aging population	4	7.55	46	86.79	3	5.65	53

Section 2 - Tourism, Business and Employment Policy

	Disagree		Agree		No Response		Responses
		%		%		%	
Sport and leisure opportunities for all age groups should be promoted	1	1.89	48	90.57	4	7.55	53
Appropriate farm diversification will be encouraged	2	3.77	47	88.68	4	7.55	53
A balance between tourism and village life will be nurtured	2	3.77	48	90.57	3	5.66	53
Employment opportunities and the agricultural community will be supported where possible as long as the rural identity of the landscape and Parish is not compromised.	1	1.89	50	84.34	2	3.77	53
Village amenities and facilities will be supported	0	0	51	96.23	2	3.77	53
The Post Office and Mace shop will be supported	0	0	51	96.23	2	3.77	53
Small businesses and home working will be supported	1	1.89	50	94.34	2	3.77	53

Section 3 – Traffic Strategy

	Disagree		Agree		No response		Responses
		%		%		%	
The quantity and flow of traffic needs to be restricted to existing levels	5	9.43	47	88.68	1	1.89	53
The installation of speed monitors to be investigated	6	11.32	44	83.02	3	5.66	53
The Quiet Lanes initiative to be investigated	5	9.43	44	83.02	4	7.55	53
Promote a culture of cycling and walking with well maintained footways and roads	2	3.77	49	92.45	2	3.77	53
Support the maintenance and improvement of the existing bus and train services	0	0	52	98.11	1	1.89	53

Section 4 – Infrastructure Policy

	Disagree		Agree		No Response		Responses
		%		%		%	
Actively pursue the updating of the current sewerage facilities	0	0	50	95.34	3	5.66	53
Support a sustainable and energy efficient way of life	1	1.89	47	88.68	5	9.43	53
Support community policing strategies	2	3.77	47	88.68	4	7.55	53
Maintain existing street lighting, but without any increase and any replacement should be low energy	6	11.32	42	79.25	5	9.43	53
When possible, encourage householders to keep outside lighting to a minimum to enhance dark skies	8	15.09	41	77.36	4	7.55	53

Section 5 – Communication Strategy

	Disagree		Agree		No Response		Responses
		%		%		%	1.89
Encourage the provision of super-fast broadband throughout the Parish and in particular for any new housing	1	1.89	51	96.23	1	1.89	53
Improved infrastructure for landline and mobile communications will be encouraged	0	0	52	98.11	1	1.89	53
Preservation of a working public telephone kiosk will be strongly supported	6	11.32	43	81.13	4	7.55	53

Section 6 – Education And Health Care Policy

	Disagree		Agree		No Response		Responses
		%		%		%	
Retaining or improving the existing primary age school provision	1	1.89	50	94.34	2	3.77	53
Retaining the current facility of both prescription deliveries to the Village Hall Post Office for collection and of the First Responder team	0	0	52	98.11	1	1.89	53
Improve services in the community to support elderly residents	1	1.89	50	94.34	2	3.77	53
Support the development of hospital and medical facilities on the Hasleswoth Campus site	1	1.89	49	92.45	3	5.66	53
Promote and support the use of community buildings and the raising of funds to provide state of the art play and sport equipment at the Playing Field	1	1.89	46	86.79	6	11.32	53

Section 7 – Protection Of The Commons Policy

	Disagree		Agree		No Response		Responses
		%		%		%	
Wenhaston Commons to be protected from all development	2	3.77	50	94.34	1	1.89	53
Ares adjoining the Commons or elsewhere in the Parish to be prevented from having any adverse impact on the biodiversity of the Commons	3	5.66	49	92.45	1	1.89	53

Section 8 – Biodiversity And Landscape Policy

	Disagree		Agree		No Response		Responses
		%		%		%	
Biodiversity within the Parish will be protected and enhanced and proposals that may have a negative effect will be rejected	1	1.89	49	92.45	3	5.66	53
Opportunities to discuss the safeguarding of sites with their landowners will be sought, particular for protection from adverse agricultural practices	2	3.77	48	90.51	3	5.66	53
The designation of Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and Special Landscape Areas will be supported	2	3.77	48	90.57	3	5.66	53
These areas will also be protected from adverse proposals on their boundaries	3	5.66	47	88.68	3	5.66	53

Section 9 – Designated Areas Of Local Landscape Value

	Disagree		Agree		No Response		Responses
		%	%		%		
Development proposals will demonstrate no adverse impact on Views or the landscape in these areas	4	7.55	46	86.79	3	5.66	53
Designated village green spaces will be retained and enhanced	0	0	53	100	0	0	53
Landscape priority will be given to retention of existing trees, additional planting of native species and hedges	2	3.77	49	92.45	2	3.77	53
The traditional maintenance of woodlands and creation of new woodland will be encouraged	3	5.66	47	88.68	3	5.66	53

Section 10 – Conservation And Heritage Policy

	Disagree		Agree		No Response		Responses
		%		%		%	
Designated areas of Special Village Character. Any new proposals will be consistent with the design and layout of the existing buildings	4	7.55	47	88.68	2	3.77	53
In Improvement Opportunity Areas consideration will be given to visual improvement particularly in terms of street furniture, definition of green spaces and traffic management	2	3.77	46	86.79	5	9.43	53
Buildings and monuments have been proposed as Non Designated Heritage Assets in pursuit of formal adoption. There are a number of these throughout the Parish and particularly in the heart of Wenhaston	3	5.66	39	73.58	11	20.75	53

Section 11 – Drainage, Flood Risk And Energy Policy

	Disagree		Agree		No Response		Responses
		%		%		%	
Development in areas at high risk of flooding or which would increase the risk to adjacent areas will be refused	3	5.66	47	88.68	3	5.66	53
Support will be given to reducing the risk of surface water flooding throughout th Parish	3	5.66	45	84.91	5	9.43	53
Support will be given to providing suitable run offs to reduce the risk of road flooding	3	5.66	46	85.79	4	7.55	53

Written Comments

Section 1 – Housing Development Management Policy	27	9.9% of comments
Section 2 - Tourism, Business and Employment Policy	23	8.4% of comments
Section 3 – Traffic Strategy	22	8.1% of comments
Section 4 – Infrastructure Policy	26	9.5% of comments
Section 5 – Communication Strategy	19	7.0% of comments
Section 6 – Education And Health Care Policy	20	7.3% of comments
Section 7 – Protection Of The Commons Policy	23	8.4% of comments
Section 8 – Biodiversity And Landscape Policy	12	4.4% of comments
Section 9 – Designated Areas Of Local Landscape Value Policy	10	3.7% of comments
Section 10 – Conservation And Heritage Policy	18	6.6% of comments
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Additional Written Comments	23	8.4% of comments
Other Comments	3	1.1% of comments
Written Comments from Consultation Event	29	10.6% of comments
Total Comments	273	

Appendix A

**WENHASTON
WITH MELLS
HAMLET**



**VERY IMPORTANT FOR THE FUTURE
OF YOUR PARISH**

**WENHASTON WITH MELLS 2015 –
2030 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN
THIRD PUBLIC CONSULTATION
Saturday Oct 1st to Sunday Nov 12th**

**NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN
WHAT WE HAVE ACHIEVED SO FAR**

- New Parish web site
- Public consultations about the future development of the Parish
- Parish Vision and Objectives
- In depth character assessments of Streets, Landscape, Commons and Green spaces
- Recognition as a statutory plan in future development applications
- Identified the importance of our landscape, green and open spaces
- Identified quiet lanes/traffic calming issues
- Recognised and promoted the need for improved play equipment.
- Drawing up of a Draft Plan

Inside this pamphlet is an outline of the key policies which we believe the parishioners of Wenhaston with Mells Hamlet would like, to determine the development of the Parish for the next fifteen years.

These policies have been carefully written to be in line with National and Local policies. Before the plan moves on to its final stages, we would like you to consider whether they reflect your views and let us know if they do not, with your reasons.

**Display and Consultation with
FREE COFFEE AND CAKES
Village Hall Café. Saturday October 8th
10.00 till 1.00**

**IN THIS SECTION, POLICIES ARE HIGHLIGHTED IN BLUE
AND STRATEGIES IN YELLOW.**

**The following definitions apply within this document
Policies set out requirements for new development and informs and
guides decisions on planning applications.
Strategies are plans of action or projects to achieve a long term aim.**

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT POLICY.	Disagree	Support
New housing should be directed to inside the defined physical limits (Village envelope).		
Outside these physical limits, development will be limited to that which of necessity needs to be there.		
Development to be restricted to that of infilling by one dwelling or a pair of semi-detached dwellings within a continuous built up frontage.		
Development in or near sensitive landscape locations will not be permitted other than in exceptional circumstances.		
For any new application, attention will be given to the design of the spaces around the proposal as well as the development itself.		
Local Development Protection Areas will remain undisturbed.		
The strategy for new housing is that it should be directed towards young people staying in the parish and to the needs of an aging population.		
<i>Write here your reasons for supporting/disagreeing.</i>		

TOURISM, BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT POLICY	Disagree	Support
Sport and leisure opportunities for all age groups should be promoted.		
Appropriate farm diversification will be encouraged		
A balance between tourism and village life will be nurtured.		
Employment opportunities and the agricultural community will be supported where possible as long as the rural identity of the landscape and Parish is not compromised.		
Village amenities and facilities will be supported.		
The Post Office and Mace shop will be supported.		
Small businesses and home working will be supported.		
<i>Write here your reasons for supporting/disagreeing.</i>		

TRAFFIC STRATEGY	Disagree	Support
The quantity and flow of traffic needs to be restricted to existing levels.		
The installation of speed monitors to be investigated.		
The Quiet lanes initiative to be investigated.		
Promote a culture of cycling and walking with well-maintained footways and roads.		
Support the maintenance and improvement of the existing bus and train services.		
<i>Write here your reasons for supporting/disagreeing.</i>		

INFRASTRUCTURE POLICY	Disagree	Support
Actively pursue the updating of the current sewerage facilities.		
Support a sustainable and energy efficient way of life.		
Support community policing strategies.		
Maintain existing street lighting, but without any increase and any replacement should be low energy.		
When possible, encourage householders to keep outside lighting to a minimum to enhance dark skies.		
<i>Write here your reasons for supporting/disagreeing.</i>		

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY	Disagree	Support
Encourage the provision of super-fast broadband throughout the parish and in particular for any new housing.		
Improved infrastructure for landline and mobile communications will be encouraged.		
Preservation of a working public telephone kiosk will be strongly supported.		
<i>Write here your reasons for supporting/disagreeing.</i>		

EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE POLICY	Disagree	Support
Retaining or improving the existing primary age school provision.		
Retaining the current facility of both prescription deliveries to the Village Hall Post Office for collection and of the First Responder team.		
Improve services in the community to support elderly residents.		
Support the development of hospital and medical facilities on the Halesworth Campus site.		
Promote and support the use of community buildings and the raising of funds to provide state of the art play and sport equipment at the Playing Field.		
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PROTECTION OF THE COMMONS POLICY	Disagree	Support
Wenhaston Commons to be protected from all development.		
Areas adjoining the commons or elsewhere in the parish to be prevented from having any adverse impact on the biodiversity of the commons.		
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Copies of the full Draft Plan are available on 48-hour loan
from the following

Janice Claxton, Roger Claxton, Denise Corbett, Phil Corbett,
Barry Norrington and Lilian Spindler.

If you wish to comment on any of the policies or strategies, please
return this document annotated with your concerns to the box in the
village hall café or to the Post Office.

All responses will be analysed before the Final Draft Plan goes out for
approval.

Full copies of the Draft Plan can be viewed on line or at the Post
Office, The Star or the Village Hall Café.

CONSULTATION DAY
SATURDAY OCTOBER 8TH 10.00 – 1.00
AT THE VILLAGE HALL CAFE.
FREE REFRESHMENTS.

SPACE FOR ADDITIONAL COMMENTS