MINSTER LOVELL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN:

COMMUNITY SURVEY REPORT

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ABOUT COMMUNITY FIRST OXFORDSHIRE

Community First Oxfordshire is a community development and placemaking charity. With over 100 years of working with Oxfordshire's communities, we offer services that support people and places across the county.

MINSTER LOVELL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Neighbourhood planning is a right for communities introduced through the Localism Act, 2011. Neighbourhood Plans (NPs) are legally binding planning documents. They must comply with both local and national, higher-level planning policies, and they are about allowing villages, towns or neighbourhoods to shape development in that area. A final NP is a set of policies related to land use, identifying what is best for the locality and what is needed to deliver tangible changes to that place.

Minster Lovell Parish Council is undertaking a Neighbourhood Plan. To begin this process, the Parish Council held a consultation event in March 2025. 70 residents came along. The event included presentations about what a Neighbourhood Plan can and cannot do and asked for initial thoughts and feedback. This feedback has been shared on the Parish Council website.

The Parish Council, via the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee, has commissioned Community First Oxfordshire to support the development of the Plan.

THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SURVEY – MARCH 2023

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

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

DISTRIBUTION AND RESPONSE

In order to carry out the Community Survey, a printed survey and *Freepost* return envelope was delivered to 712 households in Minster Lovell by members of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee in June 2025.

Residents were invited to respond to the Community Survey by either returning a completed hard copy survey or accessing a *Survey Monkey* internet link. The survey deadline was 30 July 2025.

Community First analysed the survey returns and produced this report.

200 survey responses were received (28% response rate)

OVERVIEW OF SURVEY FINDINGS

This section summarises headline responses to survey questions.

THE VISION OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN	
How would you like Minster Lovell to be described in 15-years-time?	Top 3 answers: - Safe – **86%** - Friendly – **82%** - Attractive – **75%**
How much does your household value these village characteristics? *1 = not valuable at all, 5 = very valuable.*	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - Water environment – **4.75** - Setting in a predominantly rural landscape – **4.72** - Open green spaces/trees – **4.69**
HOUSING DEVELOPMENT	
Please tell us what you think about new housing development in Minster Lovell over the next 15 years.	Top 3 answers: - Would not like to see **– 74%** - Am unsure – **21%** - Would like to see – **5%**
Tell us how concerned you are about the development of new homes in Minster Lovell. *1 = not concerned at all, 5 = very concerned*.	Top 3 answers: - 5/5 (very concerned) **– 73%** - 4/5 – **17%** - 3/5 – **7%**
If you are concerned about the potential allocation of new homes in Minster Lovell, please tell us why.	Top 3 answers: - Impact on infrastructure **– 99%** - Impact on local roads and traffic – **95%** - Impact on rural setting and keeping the village a village **– 88%**
If you think new housing development is required in Minster Lovell, how many new homes do you think should be built?	Top 3 answers: - 1-9 **– 38%** - 10-19 – **26%** - 20-29 **– 24%**
What type of housing/ housing development do you think is needed in the local community?	Top 3 answers: - Brownfield development – **71%** - 2-3 bed homes – **45%** - Retirement housing – **37%**
What are the most important considerations regarding the location and setting of new housing development? *1 = not important at all, not a priority, 5 = very important, top priority.*	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - Minimising impact on the surrounding countryside – **4.78** - Minimising road and traffic impacts – **4.71** - Limiting the potential of flooding – **4.62**

What are the most important considerations regarding the design and layout of new housing development? *1 = not important at all, not a priority, 5 = very important.*	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - Retaining rural identity and countryside setting of village – **4.7** - In sympathy with unique historic character and features of village – **4.62** - Sufficient off-road parking – **4.61**
Do you support the principle of providing affordable housing for the people of Minster Lovell?	Yes – **40%** Maybe – **30%** No – **30%**
MAKING DEVELOPMENT AND THE VILLAGE AS SUSTAINABLE AS POSSIBLE	
Do you think the Neighbourhood Plan should explore policies and projects which offer positive local responses to climate change?	Yes – **60%** Maybe – **33%** No – **7%**
Do you think the Neighbourhood Plan should promote or encourage local renewable energy initiatives or schemes of the following types?	Top 3 'yes' answers: - Roof based solar panels– **72%** - Energy from waste – **44%** - Ground source heat pumps – **39%**
Tell us what you think about the ways in which new development can minimise climate change and adapt to its effects. *1 = strongly disagree, 5 = strongly agree.*	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - New development should maximise green / wildlife spaces – **4.53** - New development should be highly energy efficient / carbon neutral – **4.52** - New buildings should have renewable energy built in – **4.46**
THE ENVIRONMENT, ACCESS TO NATURE, AND LOCAL FOOD	
Do you think the Neighbourhood Plan should do more to conserve and enhance nature, biodiversity, and wildlife in Minster Lovell?	Yes – **87%** Maybe – **12%** No – **1%**
If YES, how do you think should this be achieved?	Top 3 answers: - More planting of native trees and plants – **85%** - More bee-friendly planting – **81%** - Provide wildlife corridors and connections between green spaces – **72%**
How serious do you consider the following pollution issues? *1 = not serious at all, 5 = very serious.*	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - Waterway pollution – **4.84** - Noise pollution – **3.93** - Air pollution – **3.89**
Do you think access to the surrounding countryside from Minster Lovell should	Yes – **57%** Maybe – **32%**

be improved?	No – **11%**
If yes, how do you think access to the local countryside could be improved?	Top 3 answers: - Improve/repair existing rights of way – **92%** - Seek to develop rights of way network – **64%** - Improve signage and information boards – **58%**
How important do you rate the following public open and green spaces? *1 = not at all important, 5 = very important.*	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - Wash Meadow and River Windrush – **4.84** - Footpaths between lower and upper village – **4.71** - Public footpath over field at rear of allotments – **4.49**
How important do you rate the following public outdoor spaces, routes and wildlife sites? *1 = not at all important, 5 = very important.*	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - The Ruins and Dovecote – **4.84** - St. Kenelm's Church and Cemetery – **4.68** - Minster Mill meadows/walks along river to Asthall/Burford– **4.61**
Do you think that any of the follwoing green and open spaces in particular should be protected and/or enhanced?	Top 3 'yes; answers: - The Ruins and Dovecote – **89%** - St Kenelm's Church and Cemetery – **87%** - The large grassed area and yew trees at the front of the Spa shop – **79%**
ROADS, TRANSPORT, AND MOVEMENT	
What 3 forms of transport do you most frequently use within and into/out of the village?	Top 3 answers: - Car – **97%** - Walking – **77%** - Bus – **36%**
Which of the following methods of transport would you like to make use of more often?	Top 3 answers: - Bus – **66%** - Walking – **36%** - Bicycle – **27%**
If applicable, what prevents you from using the bus or train more?	Top 2 answers: <u>BUS</u> - Frequency of services - Inconvenient routes <u>TRAIN</u> - Inconveniently located station/stops - Cost
If applicable, what prevents you from cycling or walking more?	Top 2 answers: <u>CYCLING</u>

	- Poor state of repair of pavements and paths - Feeling unsafe <u>WALKING</u> - Poor state of repair of pavements and paths - Poorly lit pavements and foot/ cycle paths
Do you think the following transport initiatives should be explored in the area?	Top 3 answers: - Cycle parking – **55%** - (Electric) car club – **36%** - Shared bike scheme – **22%**
What do you think about the following road and traffic issues within and around Minster Lovell: *1 = very minor issue, 5 = very major issue.*	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - Road safety on main roads – **3.88** - General road safety within village for cyclists and pedestrians – **3.74** - Traffic and congestion levels within village – **3.56**
What is your opinion on the road, pavement, and cycle path infrastructure within and around Minster Lovell. *1 = very minor issue, 5 = very major issue.*	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - Condition of road surfaces and drains – **4.04** - Condition of pavements, cycle paths, kerbs, and verges – **3.91** - Provision of facilities accounting for the needs of pedestrians of all capabilities – **3.5**
What is your opinion about the general parking provision for community facilities in the village? *1 = very poor, 5 = very good.*	Weighted average – **3.1**
LOCAL AMENITIES	
How satisfied are you with the following community buildings in Minster Lovell? *1 = not satisfied at all; 5 = very satisfied.*	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - Sports and Social Club – **4.2** - St. Kenelm's Church – **4.08** - Methodist Church – **3.98**
How satisfied are you with the following outdoor recreation opportunities on offer in Minster Lovell? *1 = not satisfied at all; 5 = very satisfied.*	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - Cricket and sports pitches at Wash Meadow – **4.42** - Play Park at Ripley Avenue and park area – **4.2** - Dovecote Park open and green spaces – **3.66**
Do you think the outdoor recreation spaces listed offer a safe environment?	Yes – **63%** Unsure – **32%** No – **5%**
How satisfied are you with the types of clubs, classes, and activities offered in the parish? *1 = not satisfied at all; 5 =*	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - Minster Lovell Annual Festival – **4.1** - Annual Flower and Produce Show – **4.01**

very satisfied.	- Parish-led events – **3.84**

LOCAL ECONOMY, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND SERVICES	
Generally, how satisfied are you with the following infrastructure and services in and around Minster Lovell? *1 = not satisfied at all; 5 = very satisfied.*	Top 3 answers (weighted average): - Waste collection – **4.24** - Primary education – **3.95** - Level of choice of secondary education – **3.75**
In your opinion, which of the following types of community facilities/services do you think there is the greatest need for in Minster Lovell?	Top 3 answers: - GP / health satellite services – **80%** - Better internet connectivity – **40%** - Sports facilities – **33%**

DO YOU HAVE A HOUSING NEED?	
Are you or anyone from your household likely to need more suitable housing in the next ten years?	Yes – **12%** No – **88%**

YOUR HOUSEHOLD'S HOUSING NEEDS	
Why does your household need a new home?	Top 3 answers: - Want lower household energy bills – **36%** - Want to buy a new home but can't afford it – **32%** - Need smaller home – **32%**
How many people of each age group would live in the new home?	Top 2 answers: - 25-44 - 65-74
What type of home would best meet their needs?	Top 2 answers: - Bungalow – **61%** - House – **39%**
Which of the following would be best for you?	Top 3 answers: - Open market housing – **77%** - Self-build housing – **14%** - Shared ownership – **9%**
How many bedrooms would your new home need?	Top 3 answers: - Two – **48%** - Three – **35%** - Four+ – **13%**
Does anyone in your household have a specialist housing need?	Top 3 answers: - No – **70%** - Yes, ground floor accommodation – **15%**

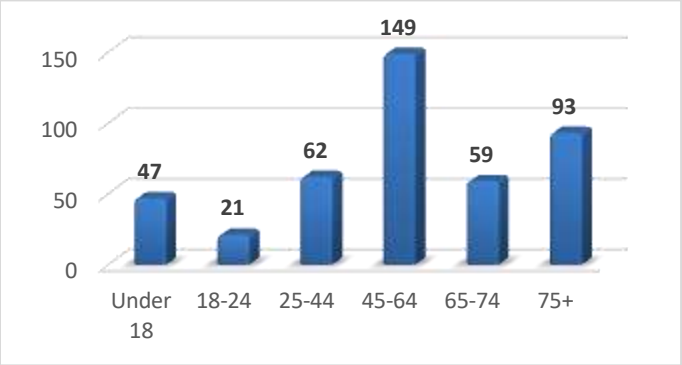
- Yes, supported living – **10%**

DETAILED SURVEY RESULTS

- *Total responses: 200*
- *Note: graphs are based on total responses. Where the total is less than 200, a respondent(s) declined to answer the question.*

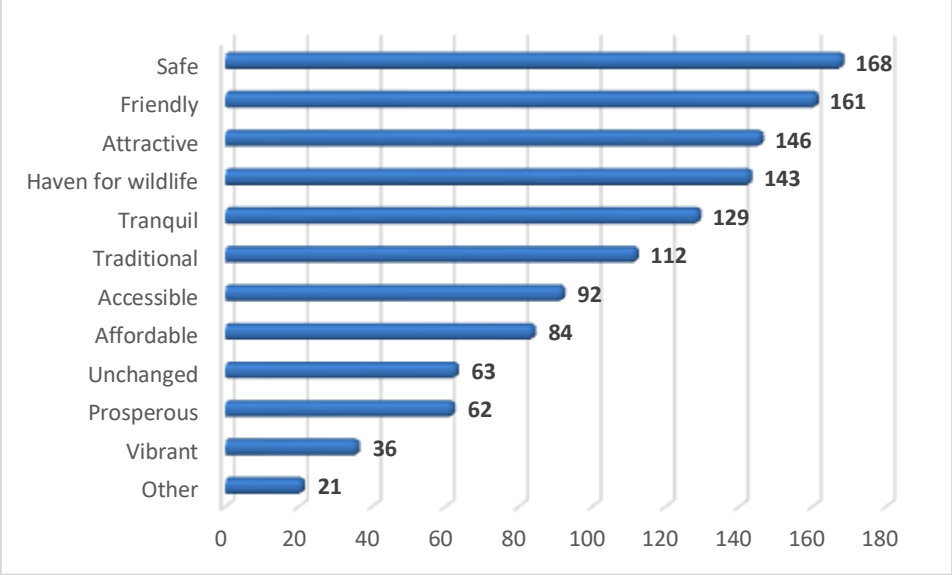
PART 1 – TELL US A BIT ABOUT YOUR HOUSEHOLD

1. How many people, including yourself, live in your household?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 195 (431 INDIVIDUALS)



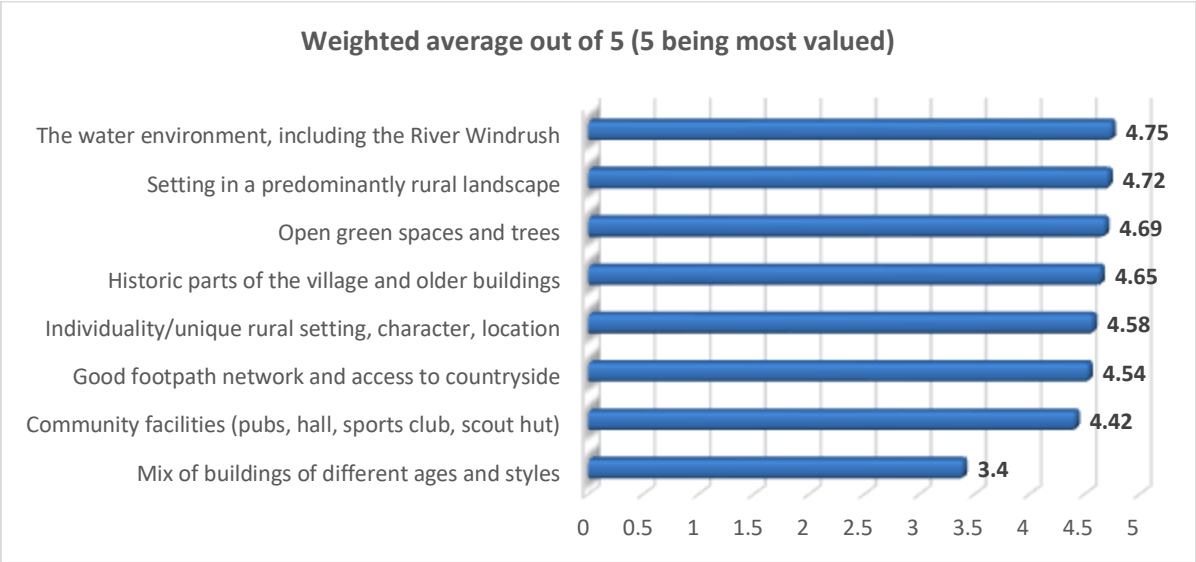
PART 2 – THE VISION OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

2. How would you like Minster Lovell to be described in 15 years time?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 196 (1217 TOTAL CHOICES)



Other (21 respondents, 23 total comments):			
Keep village a village	6	No further development	3
Independent from Witney/Carterton	2	Less traffic	2
Unique character/history preserved	2	Welcoming	2
Historical	1	Unspoilt	1
Good internet access	1	Social housing for locals	1
Like before new estate was built	1	Reduced new development	1

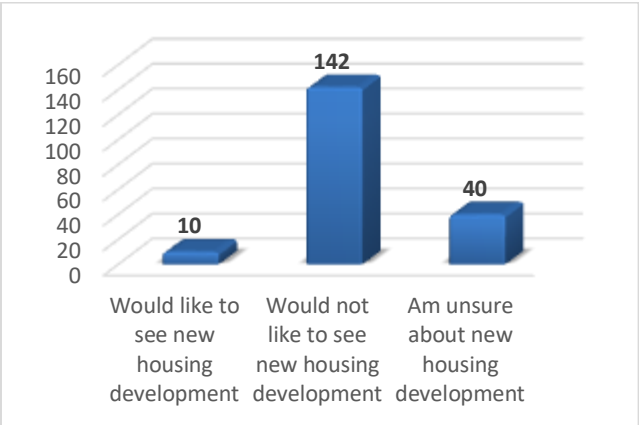
3. **How much does your household value these village characteristics on a scale of 1-5:** *1 = not valuable at all, 5 = very valuable?*
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 198



Other (21 respondents, 22 total comments):			
Retaining village status/identity	5	Clean up River Windrush	2
Better sewage system	2	More parking restrictions	2
St. Kenelm's Primary School	1	Transport links	1
Tranquility	1	Clear separation from urban centres	1
Dog friendly	1	Reliable facilities	1
Where wildlife can thrive	1	Cycle paths for safer cycling	1
Sensible speed limits	1	More social housing	1
Addition of takeaways	1		

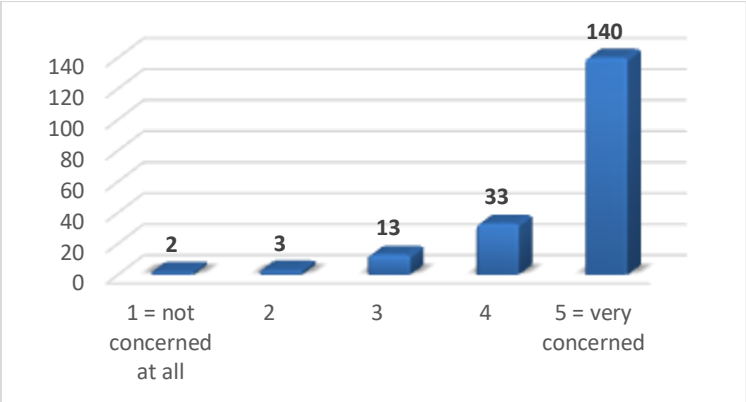
PART 3 – HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

4. **Please tell us what you think about new housing development in Minster Lovell in the next 15 years.**
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 192

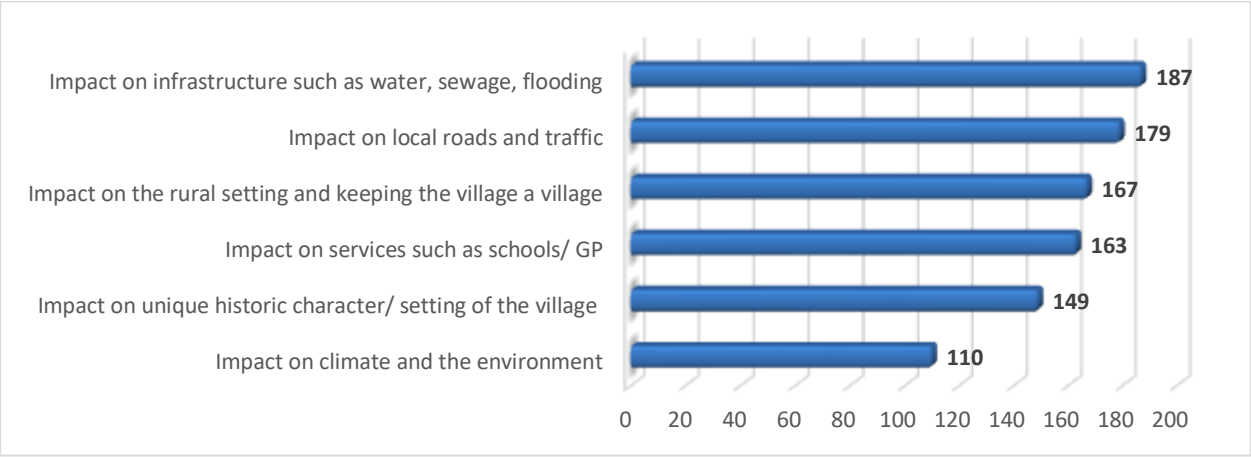


Comments (91 respondents, 109 total comments):			
Infrastructure can't cope as it is without adding more housing / would need more infrastructure first	36	In particular water supply (and to lesser extent electricity supply) can't cope – frequent outages and low pressure	13
Keep the village a village	13	Too much development already	12
New estate has brought crime, anti-social behaviour, noise, and destroyed views	5	Current road network is insufficient	4
Any new development must be in keeping with existing landscape/ character	3	Don't want village to become a suburb of Witney	2
House prices now more expensive	2	Depends where / in the right place	2
Country needs affordable housing	2	More affordable housing for young people to stay in village	1
Affordable housing with green spaces	1	Infill or small developments	1
Village needs to grow to survive and needs mix of generations but must be sensitive to community	1	Need correct housing not large estates with poor links and amenities	1
Need limited growth with supporting infrastructure	1	Need considerate and proportionate development	1
Yes, based on a new development being very carefully considered and to include all community needs, particularly of vulnerable people	1	Has to be new housing but recent expansion of upper village means there must be a limit soon	1
Prioritise brownfield sites over greenfield sites	1	As set out in ML Planning Policy (2020), no development will be allowed north of B4047 - this must be adhered to	1
Lots of small developments don't require increased infrastructure but still impact services	1	Maximium number of new houses should be one per year	1
Once a village, now a town	1	Conservation area of natural beauty	1

5. **Tell us how concerned you are about the development of new homes in Minster Lovell on a scale of 1-5:** *1 = not concerned at all, 5 = very concerned.*
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 191

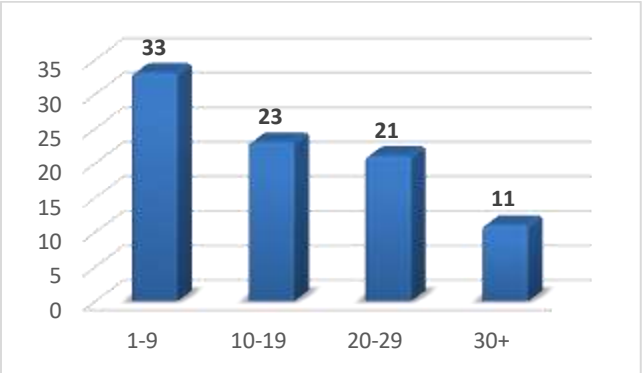


6. **If you are concerned about the potential allocation of new homes in Minster Lovell, please tell us why.**
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 189 (955 TOTAL CHOICES)

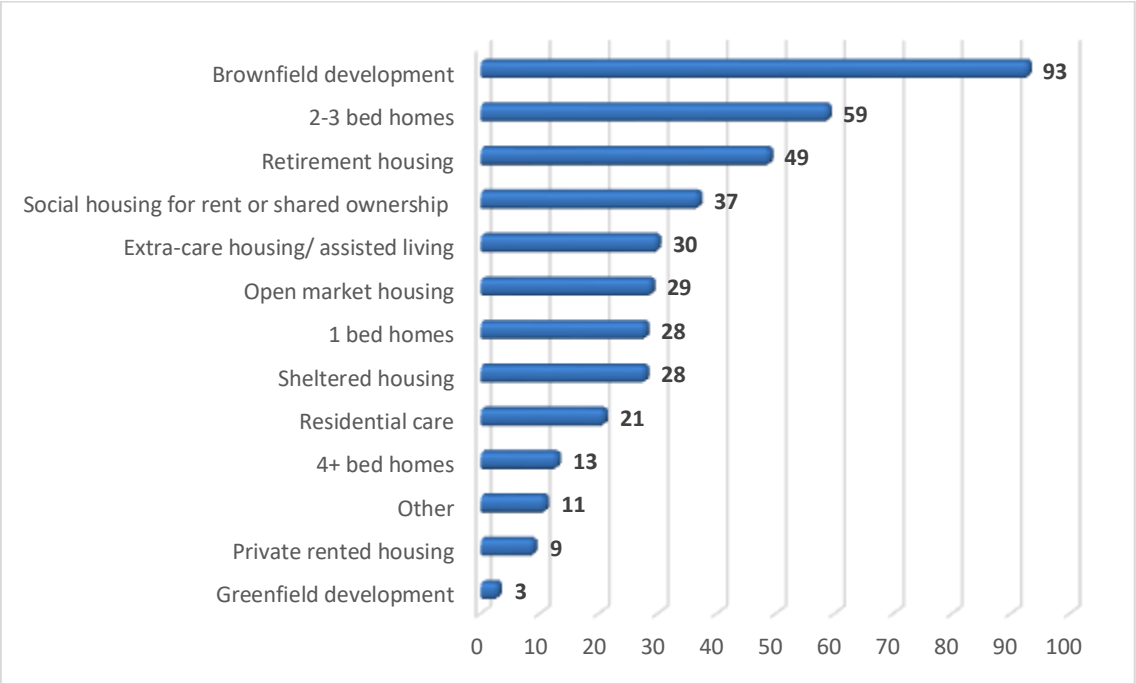


Other and comments (36 respondents, 44 total comments):			
Infrastructure cannot cope as it is (especially water)	14	Increase in traffic, noise and pollution	5
Danger of connection to other towns	4	Keep the village a village	3
Impact on community feel/character of village	2	Impact on rural and historic nature of village	2
New developments split community, as with recent development	2	Recent increase of crime	2
New estate completely disproportionate to previous steady development	1	Allocation should take into account what is actually needed locally	1
Upper part of village most concerned for	1	Allowing door to open for more unstoppable development	1
Adverse impact on current inhabitants	1	Property prices going up	1
Erosion of natural habitats, local recreation, and safety	1	Don't want additional social housing for people out of area	1
Parking issues	1	Don't make Minster a monster	1

7. **If you think new housing development is required in Minster Lovell, how many new homes do you think should be built?**
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 88



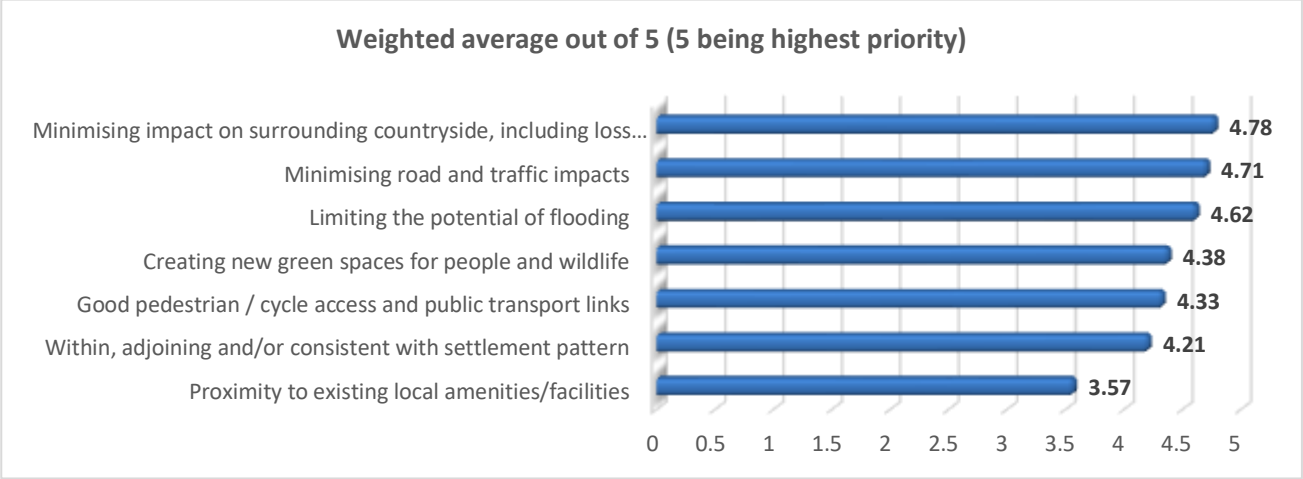
8. **What type of housing / housing development do you think is needed in the local community?**
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 132 (410 TOTAL CHOICES)



Note: the option for 'No new housing development is needed' was provided in the hard copy version of the questionnaire but was accidentally omitted from the online version. Of the 165 respondents who filled in the hard copy questionnaire, 83 selected this option (50%).

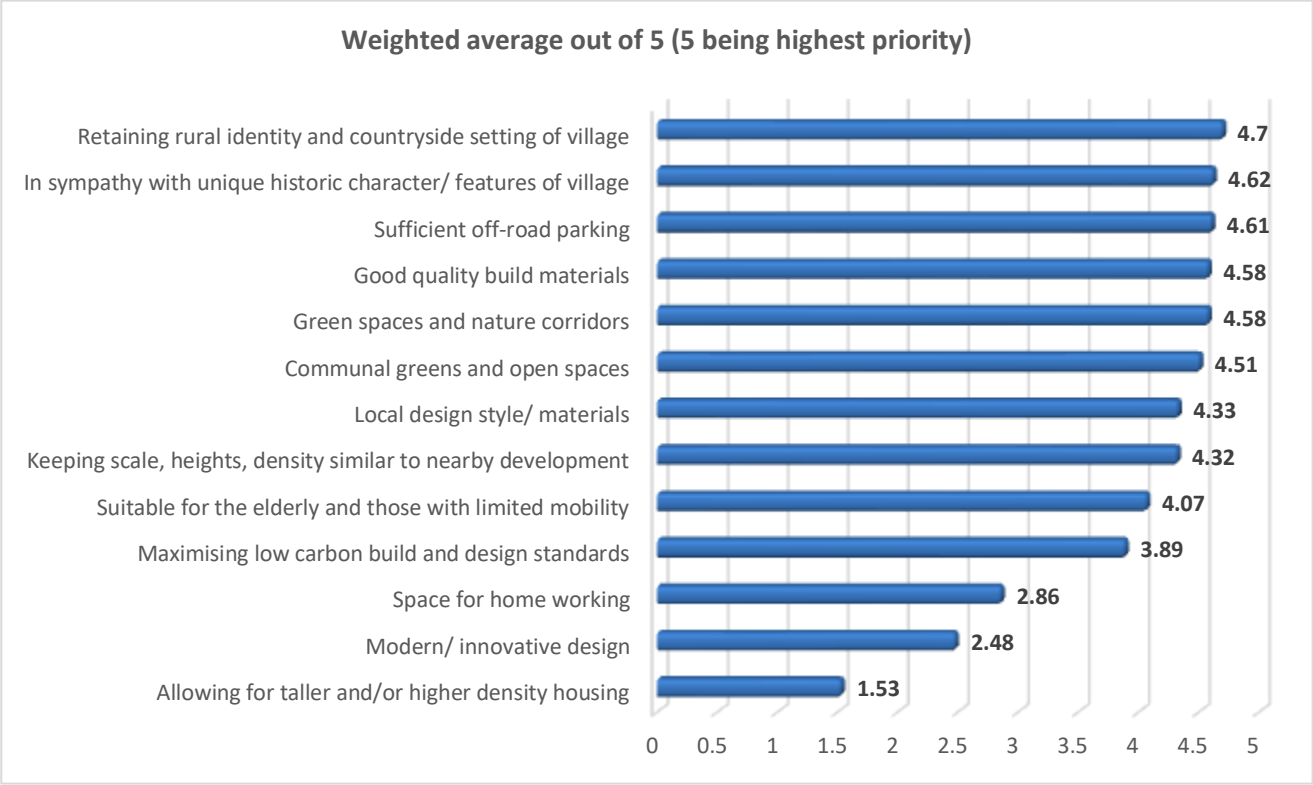
Other (11 respondents, 12 total comments):			
Small infill development only	3	Housing for first time buyers / young	3
Smaller bungalows	1	Affordable low-energy homes	1
Large studios for single people	1	Mixed housing for artists	1
Greenfield on private land	1	Opposed to using more good farmland	1

9. **What are the most important considerations regarding the location and setting of new housing development on a scale of 1-5:** *1 = not important at all / not a priority, 5 = very important / top priority?*
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 170



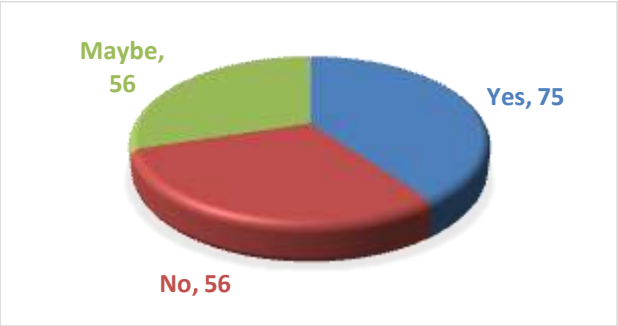
Other (12 respondents, 14 total comments):			
Sewage / water supply	2	Upgrade of infrastructure	1
Potential sprawl to Witney/Burford	1	Safe cycle path to Carterton	1
Nice retirement village?	1	Later buses	1
Schools	1	Overlooking existing houses	1
Unsightly/polluting business premises	1	Destroying old green space to create new is nonsense	1
Make planning individual rather than boring and bland	1	Location of new development should be shared between towns/villages	1
Minimise impact on rural/historic nature of village	1		

10. **What are the most important considerations regarding the design and layout of new housing development on a scale of 1-5:** *1 = not important at all / not a priority, 5 = very important / top priority.*
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 165



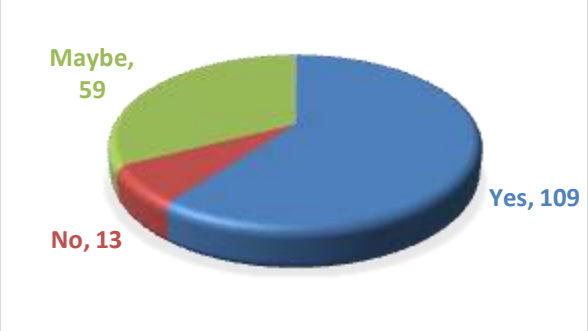
Other (6 respondents, 9 total comments):			
In keeping with village style and layout	2	No coalescence with Witney/Carterton	1
Backlands to rear of properties on Brize Norton Rd preserved as unique feature of Chartist settlement	1	Infrastructure and service provision (both currently insufficient)	1
Water infrastructure first	1	Of good quality and environmentally aware	1
Very small number of special needs houses on brownfield land	1	Off-road vehicle charging points	1

11. **Do you support the principle of providing affordable housing (social housing for rent or shared ownership) for the people of Minster Lovell?**
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 187

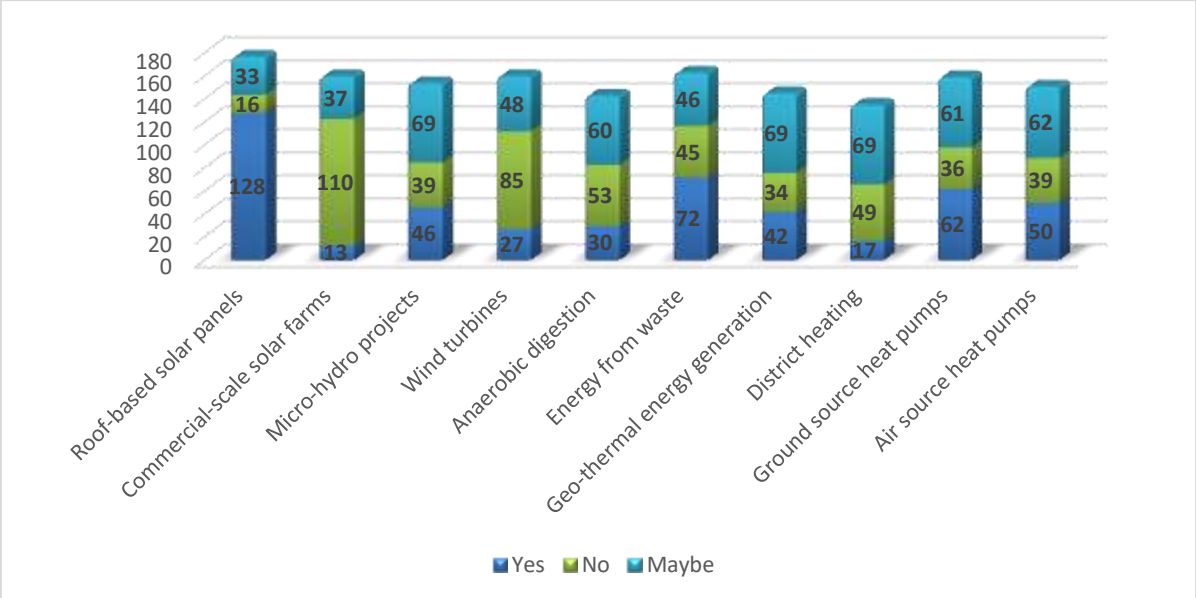


PART 4 – MAKING DEVELOPMENT / VILLAGE AS SUSTAINABLE AS POSSIBLE

12. **Do you think the Neighbourhood Plan should explore policies and projects which offer positive local responses to climate change?**
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 181

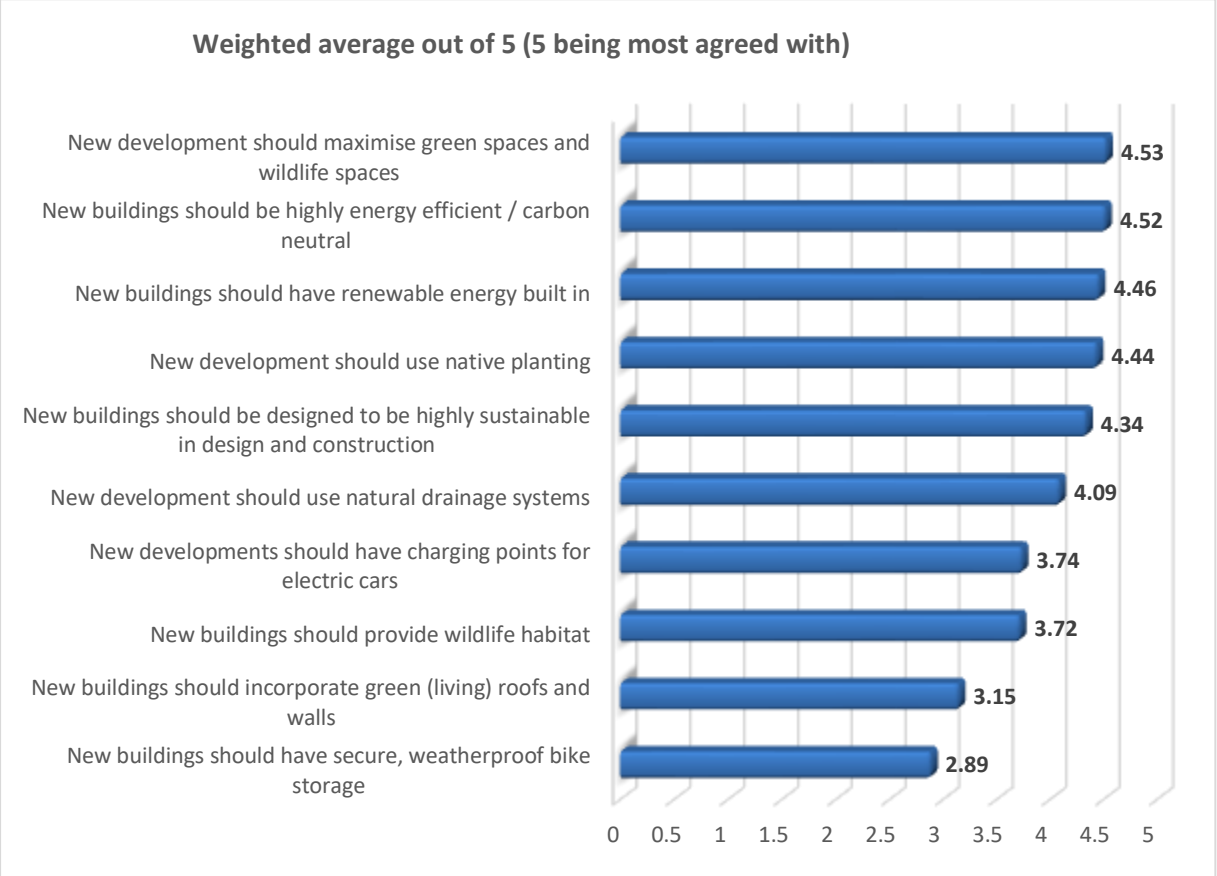


13. **Do you think the Neighbourhood Plan should promote or encourage local renewable energy iniatives or schemes of the following types?**
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 179



Other (8 respondents, 8 total comments):			
Local home battery storage tied to solar panels	1	Yes but avoid noise pollution	1
Air source heat pumps very noisy	1	Ground source heat pumps unsightly	1
Who is paying? If council tax increase, then no.	1	Green energy just isn't green but a vehicle for profiteering	1
Any such scheme will have detrimental impact on environment / character	1	Any application of above should be considered at the time	1

14. **Tell us what you think about the ways in which new development can minimise climate change and adapt to its effects on a scale of 1-5:** *1 = strongly disagree, 5 = strongly agree.*
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 175

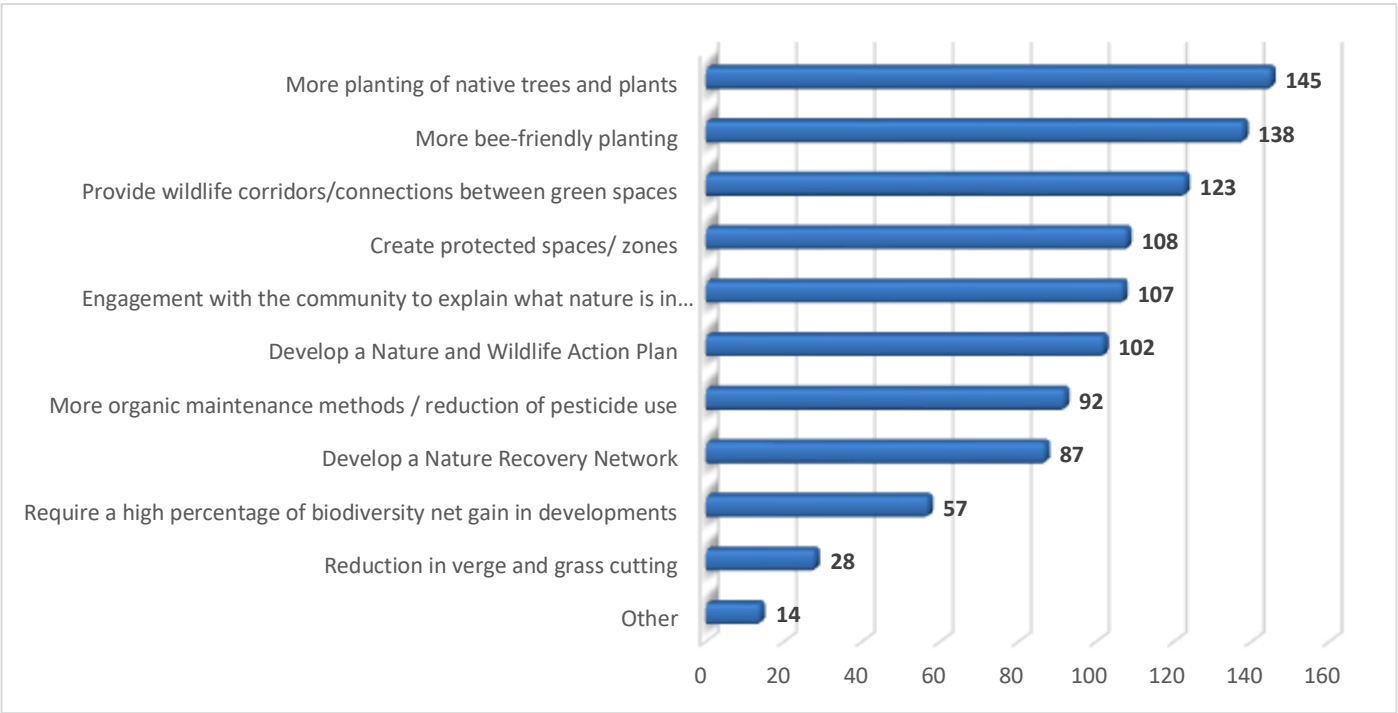


Other (8 respondents, 10 total comments):			
Greywater recycling	2	Rainwater harvesting	1
Water infrastructure first	1	Battery car technology not fire safe	1
Minimise impact on existing green spaces	1	New builds should be energy self-sufficient	1
Dovecote Park should have been built with sustainability in mind	1	These are ideals that are rarely met with new developments	1
Any such scheme will have detrimental impact on environment / character	1		

PART 5 – THE ENVIRONMENT, ACCESS TO NATURE, AND LOCAL FOOD

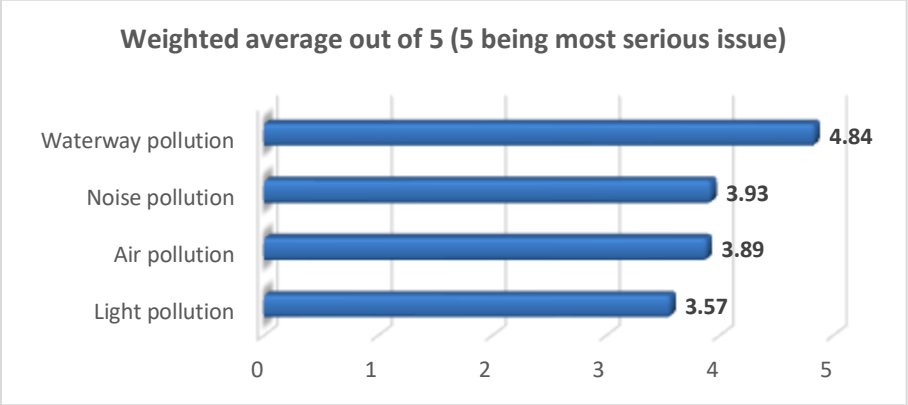
15. Do you think The Neighbourhood Plan should do more to conserve and enhance nature, biodiversity, and wildlife in Minster Lovell?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 191

16. If YES, how do you think this should be achieved?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 170 (1001 TOTAL CHOICES)



Other (14 respondents, 14 total comments):			
Verge cutting needs careful consideration (ie, near junctions)	3	No new housing development	2
Plant wildflowers in communal areas	1	Focus on river water quality	1
Stop grass areas being parked on	1	Encourage bird-feeders in gardens	1
Keep government support for farming	1	Schools to help explain value of nature	1
Find ways to engage Dovecote Park to help integrate development	1	New estate proposed to close badger sett and ignored Great Crested Newts	1
Biodiversity net gain is nonsense	1		

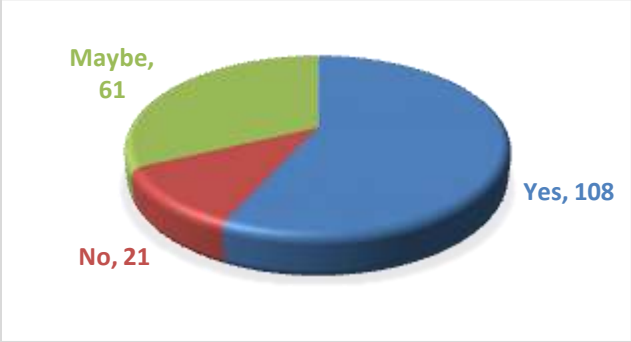
17. **How serious do you consider the following pollution issues on a scale of 1-5:** *1 = not serious at all, 5 = very serious?*
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 187



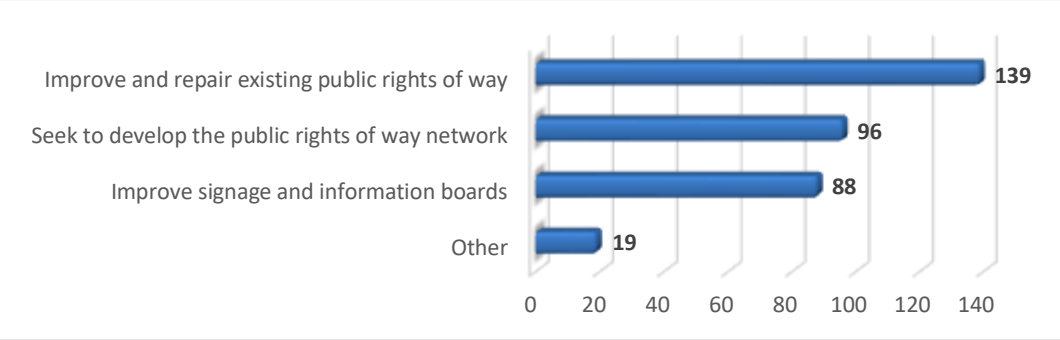
Waterway comments (67 respondents, 72 total comments):			
River is a disgrace/disgusting – used to be clean, now full of sewage/pollution, not safe to swim	30	Specific mention of Thames Water being at fault	14
State of river bad for wildlife/nature	12	Causes health problems	4
Water is starting point/ life-blood	3	State of river bad for dogs/ animals	2
Sewage system cannot cope	2	New developments increase pollution	2
Prospects of flooding	1	Soil run-off going into river	1
Sewage currently goes to Brize and taken out by tankers but to where?	1		
Noise comments (49 respondents, 49 total comments)			
Traffic noise	14	Plane noise / RAF Brize Norton	5
Effects quality of life and wellbeing	4	Want to be able to enjoy peace and quiet and rural nature	4
Health problems	4	Traffic volumes increasing	3
Motorbike racing	2	Noise from A40	2
Noise from Brize Norton Road	1	Burford Road needs quieter surface	1
Heavy vehicles driving through	1	Loud neighbours	1
Alarm going off at night	1	Music events/ partying at ruins	1
Too much commercial activity on residental estates	1	Conservation area	1
Expected living near air base	1	Annoying but more important issues	1
Not too bad	1		
Air comments (49 respondents, 58 total comments)			
Causes health problems	15	Traffic levels	8
Traffic volumes increasing	5	Planes / RAF Brize Norton	5
Not significant issue	5	Hazard to environment	4
Clean air is neccessity	2	Cars/HGVs using Brize Norton Road as cut-through	1
Brize Norton Road	1	A40	1
Slow/stopped traffic causes congestion which leads to pollution	1	Worse since Farmer's Dog opened	1
More housing = more vehicles	1	Keep industrial units to minimum	1
Countryside – natural smells occur	1		

Light comments (36 respondents, 40 total comments)			
Too many street lights	4	Lights from golf course	4
Loss of dark night sky / stars	4	Endangers wildlife / nature	4
Lights from RAF Brize Norton	3	Lights from new development	3
Not significant issue	3	Already very bad	2
Lights from Witney/Carterton	2	In keeping with rural location	2
Causes health problems	2	Causes depression	1
Impacts on quality of life	1	Uneccessary at night	1
Uneccessary security flood lighting	1	Use of too much electricity	1
Ideally no light pollution but people need to be safe	1	Night sky is wonderful connection to the bigger world	1

18. Do you think access to the surrounding countryside from Minster Lovell should be improved?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 190

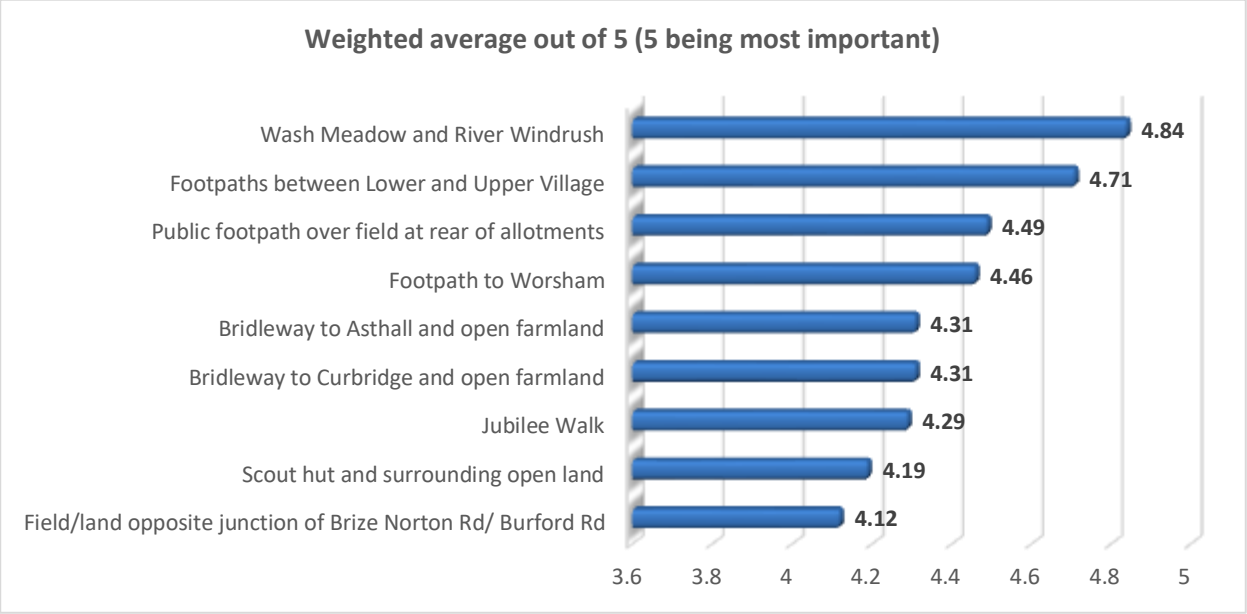


19. If YES, how do you think access to the local countryside could be improved?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 151 (342 TOTAL CHOICES)



Other (19 respondents, 21 total comments):			
Foot/cycle paths are in poor condition	4	Need to clear overgrown paths	3
Ensure safe footpaths are in place, especially along busy roads	2	Would be nice to walk to Witney through fields rather than by road	1
New path created along A40	1	Cut foliage back on Jubilee Walk	1
More RoW to access countryside	1	Hard copy/online maps of local walks	1
Better signage to stop people walking on private land	1	Ask farmers to be allowed to walk on their fields	1
Stop farmers ploughing up paths	1	Do not litter signs	1
Improve one-way no entry signage opposite White Hart	1	Improvement to water infrastructure	1
Stop water pollution	1		

20. How important do you rate the following public open and green spaces on a scale of 1-5: *1 = not at all important, 5 = very important?*
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 182



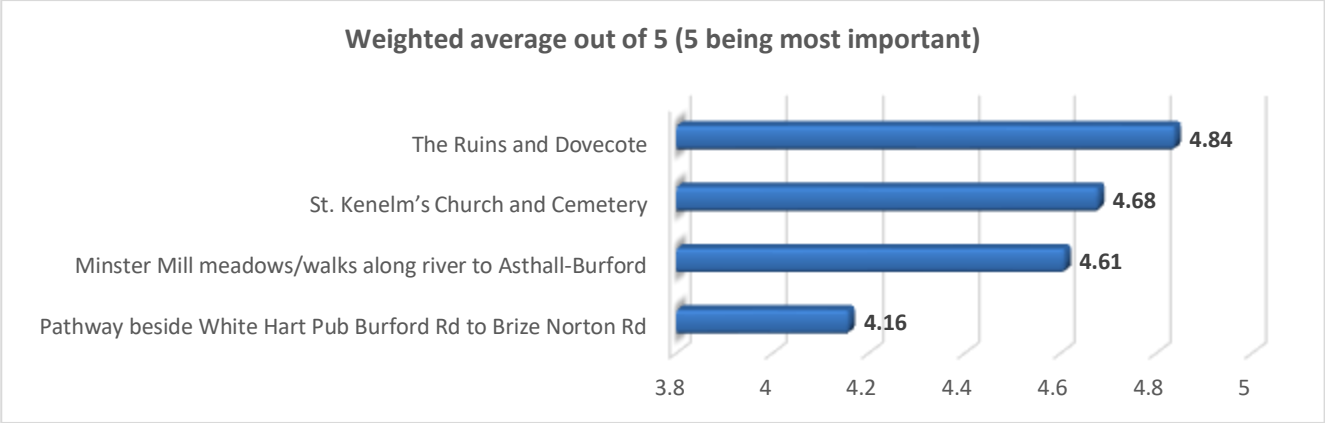
Wash Meadow/River comments (38 respondents, 51 total comments):			
Good open recreational space for sport, exercise, walking etc.	11	Important village amenity / heart of old part of village	9
Full of wildlife / wildlife corridor	6	Used regularly	5
River needs to be cleaned	3	Historic space	2
Easy to access	2	Good for dog walking	2
Dogs need to be kept on leads	2	Nice setting and views	1
Fundamental access from bottom of Old Minster to top	1	One of the best walks in Oxfordshire	1
My favourite walk	1	Good access to other footpaths	1
Nothing should spoil this beauty	1	Must be preserved	1
Not enough bins	1	Difficult to access in wheelchair	1
Footpaths between Lower/Upper village comments (38 respondents, 40 total comments):			
Used regularly	7	Important link between two parts of village	6
Safe access to Wash Meadow	3	Could do with being better maintained	3
Slippery	2	Difficult to access in wheelchair/pram	2
Good access to church and ruins	1	Alternative safe route to Old Minster	1
Facilitates access for visitors to area	1	Encourages locals to walk	1
Good for community	1	Good circular off-road walk	1
Good for dog walking	1	Use for access	1
Must stay in place	1	Much better once steps repaired	1
Important to improve safe pedestrian access from Witney direction – road narrow and dangerous	1	Dangerous walking on roads	1
Bikes need to stop using it	1	Access an issue	1
Overgrown	1	Cut is impassable	1
Stile footpath needs regular cleaning	1		

Public footpath rear of allotments comments (38 respondents, 39 total comments):			
Good for dog walking	10	Good for walking and exercising	7
Used regularly	4	Leisure space in rural setting	3
Easy to access	2	Good for wildlife	2
Plans in place for housing on farm (but protected Right of Way too)	2	Nice open space	1
Countryside walk	1	Fantastic pathway	1
Gives access to village boundary	1	To walk safely free of traffic	1
Parts very narrow and overgrown	1	Uneven ground	1
Good to walk outside of field but don't disturb field and crops	1	Locked field gates deny access to wheelchair, plus stile at other end	1
Footpath to Worsham comments (48 respondents, 55 total comments):			
Needs to be better maintained/cleared – often overgrown, impassable and in need of repair	27	Dangerous to walk on roads / speeding traffic	4
Path could be widened	3	Good circular route	3
Used regularly	3	Part of local footpath network	2
Safe link to villages	2	Nice countryside walk	1
To access Worsham	1	To access further field	1
Use for cycling/walking to Farmers Dog	1	Use for running	1
Site of Roman villas	1	Good for community	1
Rare plant grow here	1	Extend to Asthall	1
Signage needs improvement	1	Becomes boggy in winter	1
Bridleway to Asthall comments (24 respondents, 29 total comments):			
Good for walking and exercising	5	Leisure space in rural setting	3
Good for dog walking	2	Countryside walk	2
Connects villages	2	Could be used more if maintained	2
We need farmland / open space	2	Use for running	1
Use for horse-riding	1	Access for animals	1
Good for cycling off-road	1	Used regularly	1
Easy to access	1	Good for community	1
Access to other footpaths	1	Not always accessible	1
Too overgrown to walk	1	Diificult to access without car	1
Bridleway to Curbridge comments (26 respondents, 29 total comments):			
Plans to turn this into housing – not suitable for housing, shouldn't be done	4	Leisure space in rural setting	3
Good for dog walking	3	Use for running	2
Use for horse-riding	2	Nice countryside walk	1
Good for exercise	1	To walk free of traffic	1
Good circular route	1	Safe non-road route to Witney	1
Connects villages	1	Used regularly	1
Easy to access	1	Good for community	1
History	1	We need farmland and drainage	1
Needs better signage	1	Inaccessible for wheelchair users	1
Plans in place for housing (but protected Right of Way too)	1	Already destroyed by new housing	1
Jubilee Walk comments (36 respondents, 43 total comments):			
Safe walk/cycle to Witney (including children on bikes)	7	Overgrown, needs clearing	4
Need to stop access by travellers who	3	Key link between old and new parts of	3

litter the area		village	
Used regularly	2	Good for exercise	2
Good for dog walking	2	Use for running	2
Not a pleasant experience	2	Can feel unsafe	2
Needs better lighting	1	Litter problem	1
Already established hard standing for all weathers	1	Sheltered from rain	1
Connects Minster and Crawley	1	Easy to walk on	1
Has wheelchair/scooter access	1	Encourages cyclists not to use road	1
Woodland walk/cycle	1	Access to other footpaths	1
Good for community	1	My favourite walk	1
Open up to provide more vehicular access but keep foot/cycle path	1	I help to clean it	1
Scout Hut comments (31 respondents, 32 total comments):			
Valuable space for youngsters, used by scouts/cubs	4	Need our green open spaces	3
Could be used more if maintained	3	Area seems like wasted resource – redevelop into community space	2
Good for community	2	Footpath too overgrown	2
Plans to turn this into housing – shouldn't be built on	2	Old quarry not suitable for building – should be new green space	1
Maintains village boundary	1	Good to have more open space this end	1
Walk it a lot	1	Love to explore surroundings	1
Good for wildlife	1	Easy to access	1
Would like more walking opportunities to other places	1	Currently only available to one group – see no reason to save it	1
Need more spaces for youths, not less	1	Keep footpaths open	1
Spoilt by close proximity to A40	1	Bit off the beaten track	1
Is there public land here to use?	1		
Fied by Brize/Burford Road comments (30 respondents, 32 total comments):			
Good to have big green spaces in the village / this area	6	Is this public? Thought it was private.	4
Provides buffer between areas	3	Supports/enhances rural setting	3
Wonderful views	3	Good for wildlife	2
Access for wheelchairs/mobility impaired	2	Private land and should remain so	2
Private land but glad it's just a field	1	Would make ideal location for community centre but believe it's private land	1
Would be better used for children's rec ground	1	Was mentioned for new cemetery which would be nice	1
Would use more it there was a footpath	1	Access to other footpaths	1
Good for community	1		

21. **How important do you rate the following outdoor spaces, routes, and wildlife sites on a scale of 1-5:** *1 = not at all important, 5 = very important?*

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 182

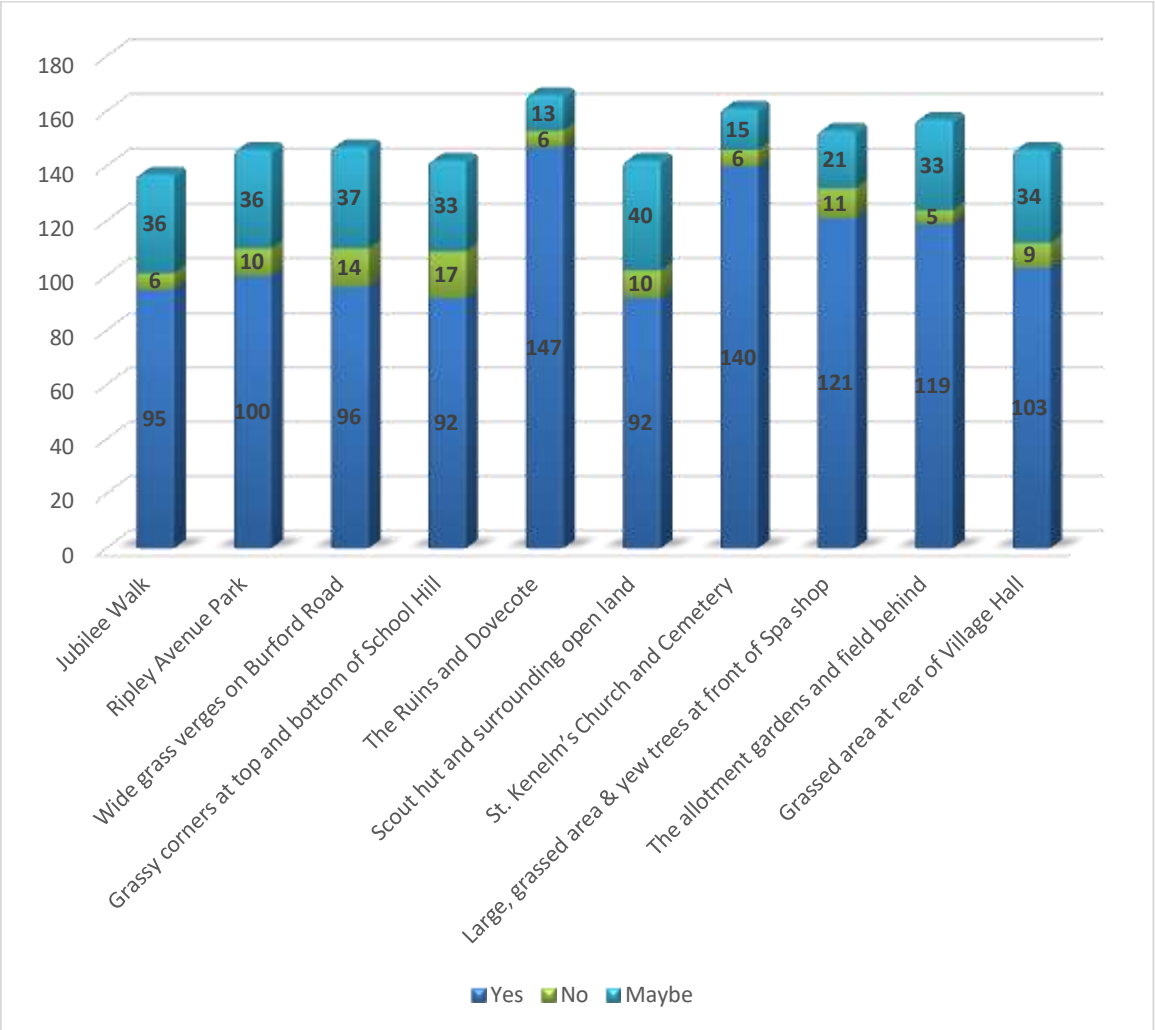


Ruins/Dovecote comments (45 respondents, 64 total comments):			
Historic importance/value	20	Peaceful beautiful place	12
Brings tourists and visitors	7	English Heritage could do more	4
Key part of village	3	Used regularly	2
Good for wildlife	2	Not enough bins	2
Wonderful family area	1	Good for picnics	1
Good for dog walking	1	Good to explore	1
Access for all	1	Inaccessible for wheelchairs	1
Encourage wildlife	1	Encourage clubs/schools to visit	1
Too much litter	1	Youths climbing on walls	1
Limited parking	1	Could be better	1
St. Kenelm's comments (42 respondents, 55 total comments):			
Historic importance/value	15	Peaceful beautiful place	8
Respect for dead / visiting passed loved ones / place of reflection	6	Key part of village	5
Good for wildlife	4	Religious significance	3
Brings tourists and visitors	3	Used regularly	2
Limited parking	2	Inaccessible for wheelchairs	1
Impressive architecture	1	Generally well kept	1
Richard does excellent job	1	Safe pedestrian access	1
Encourage people to use church	1	Could be better	1
Minster Mill comments (31 respondents, 40 total comments):			
Lovely pretty peaceful walk in truly rural setting amongst nature	15	Good for wildlife	7
Historic importance/value	3	Needs to be manageable/maintained	2
Important to keep these old walks available and safe to use	2	Key part of village	1
Used regularly	1	Access to other footpagths	1
Good for dog walking	1	Accessible without a car	1
Inaccessible for wheelchairs	1	Overgrown in certain areas	1
Currently poor	1	Keep river clear of fallen trees	1
Common route stolen by owners of the Swan	1	Didn't know it had public access	1
Pathway by White Hart comments (31 respondents, 39 total comments):			
Safe access for pedestrians/cyclists –	10	Safe access to/from bus stop	5

better than crossing near junction			
Historic importance/value	5	Useful as shortcut	3
Could be better maintained / too much litter / tidy it up	3	Other options so not priority RoW	2
Used regularly	2	Key part of village	1
Love flowers by cenotaph	1	Good for dog walking	1
Thought this was original Right of Way for ancient Charterville allotments	1	Isn't walkable much of the time	1
Potholes	1	Plant fruit trees	1
I help with litter	1	Stop travellers using it	1

22. Do you think that any of the following green and open spaces in particular should be protected and/or enhanced?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 174



Other locations (15 respondents, 21 total comments):

Fields which surround village to avoid merging with other centres	3	Backlands of Chartist Houses	3
Field behind houses from Woodlands down to Old Swan	1	Field by junction of Brize Norton Road and Burford Road	1
Field behind Wash Meadow and ruins	1	Field adjoining car park to church and ruins	1
Fields opposite White Hart	1	Fields west of Dovecote estate	1
Land between cemetery and Old Rectory	1	Footpath/bridleway opposite and beside scout hut	1
Wash Meadow	1	Minster Mill Meadows	1
Banks of river especially on south side of Wash Meadow and beyond to ruins	1	Trees by Spar are lime trees that need pollarding	1
Green on Dovecote Park and its wildlife areas	1	St. Kenelms school playing field	1
All land north of B4047	1		

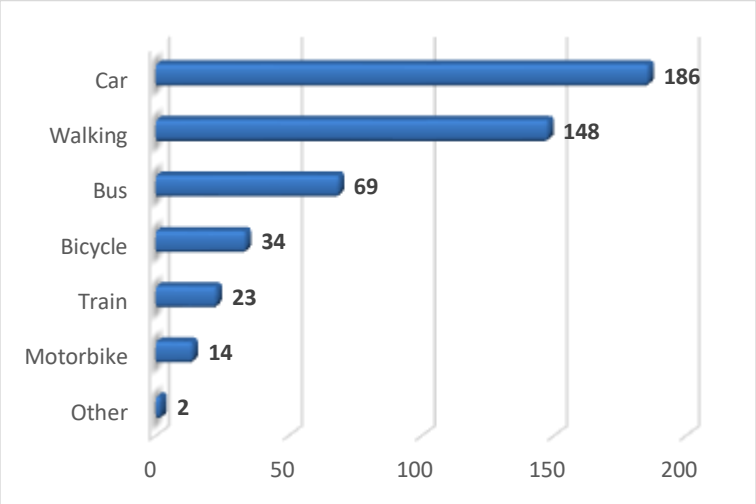
23. Are there any locations which you think could be considered for Local Wildlife Site Designaton?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 34

Comments (34 respondents, 39 total comments):			
Area/fields around Ruins	5	Fields adjacent to / behind allotments	5
River Windrush	3	Wash Meadow and riverbank	3
Jubilee Walk	2	Old quarry	2
Fields along Windrush from Asthall to Crawley	2	White Bridge path to Wash Meadow	2
Woods/land near White Hall	2	Freeboard where orchids grow	2
Field between Wash Meadow and ruins	1	Insland in river next to Old Minster bridge	1
Field left of bridge in Old Minster	1	Fields/woodland surrounding reservoir	1
Farmers fields belonging to Kinch adjoining village	1	Area beyond houses on Burford Road	1
Footpath to Worsham from scout hut	1	St Kenelm's Church	1
Scout's field	1	Overpass (lots of wildlife)	1
Fields around whole village	1		

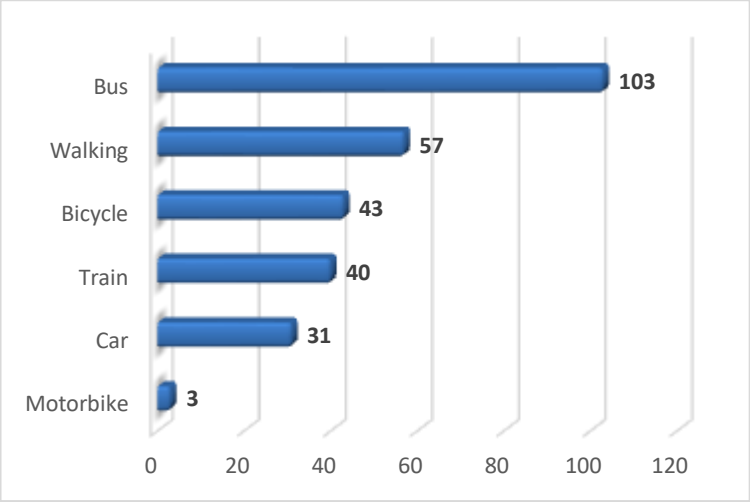
PART 6 – ROADS, TRANSPORT, AND MOVEMENT

24. What 3 forms of transport do you most frequently use?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 192



Other (2 respondents):			
Taxi	1	Electric wheelchair	1

25. Which of the following methods of transport would you like to make use of more often?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 157



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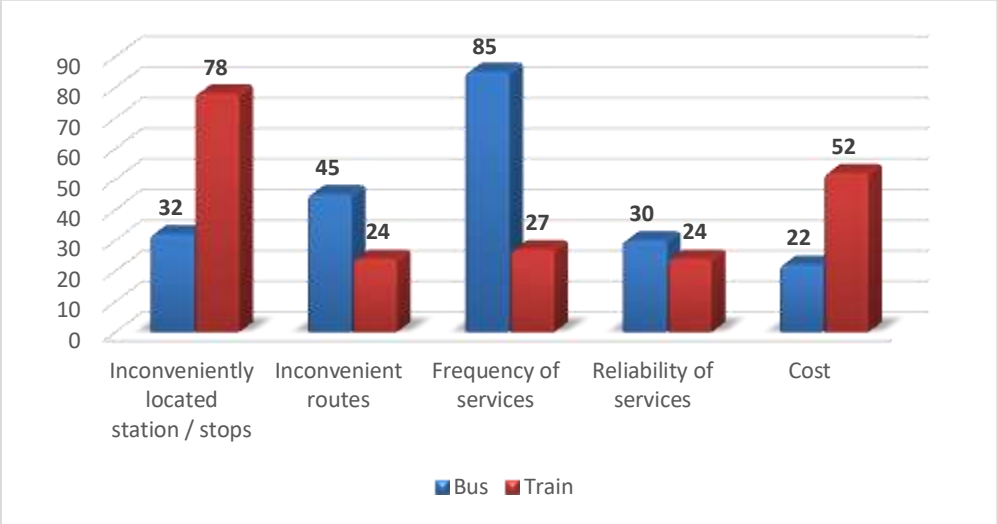
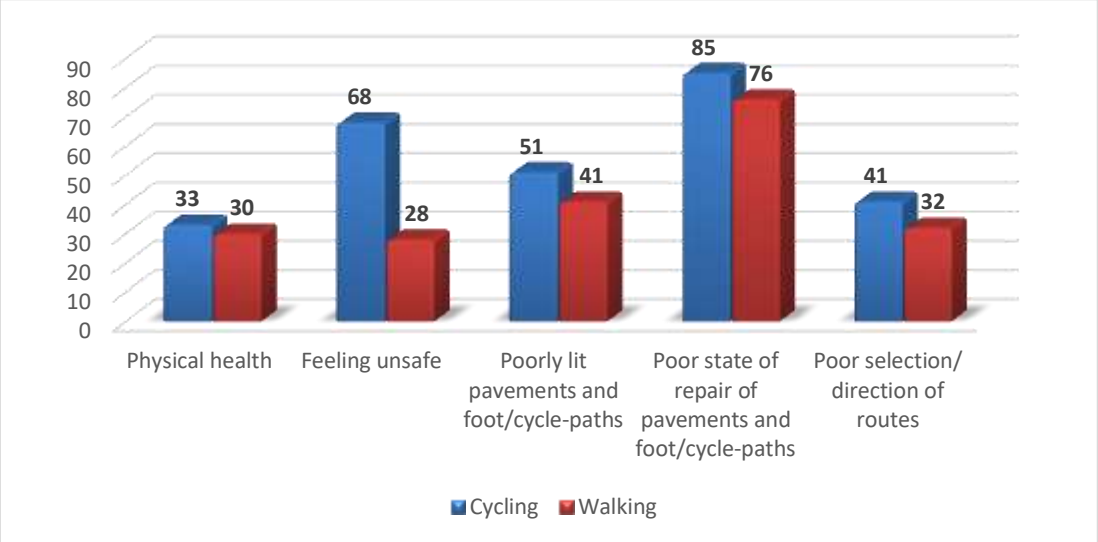


Other (29 respondents, 31 total comments):			
No local train service, can only get to train station by car	5	Bus service ends too early	4
Health reasons	4	Journey takes too long	3
Car more convenient	2	No train to Witney/Carterton	2
Difficult parking at train stations	2	Can't get close to destination	1
Overgrown hedge prevents access to bus stop with wheelchair	1	No accessible path to bus stop on Brize Norton Road under bridge	1
Need park and ride in Witney	1	Need faster access to Oxford	1
Bus going through Eynsham slows journey	1	Only use train when going to London	1
Lack of bus shelters	1	Child has special needs	1

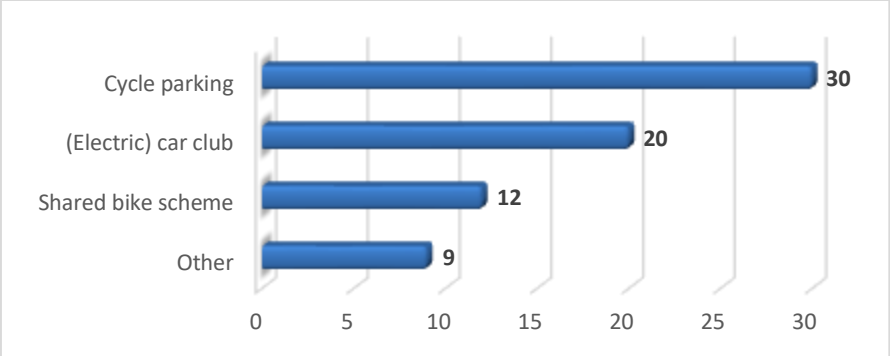
27. If applicable, what prevents you from cycling or walking more?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 157



Other (18 respondents, 21 total comments):

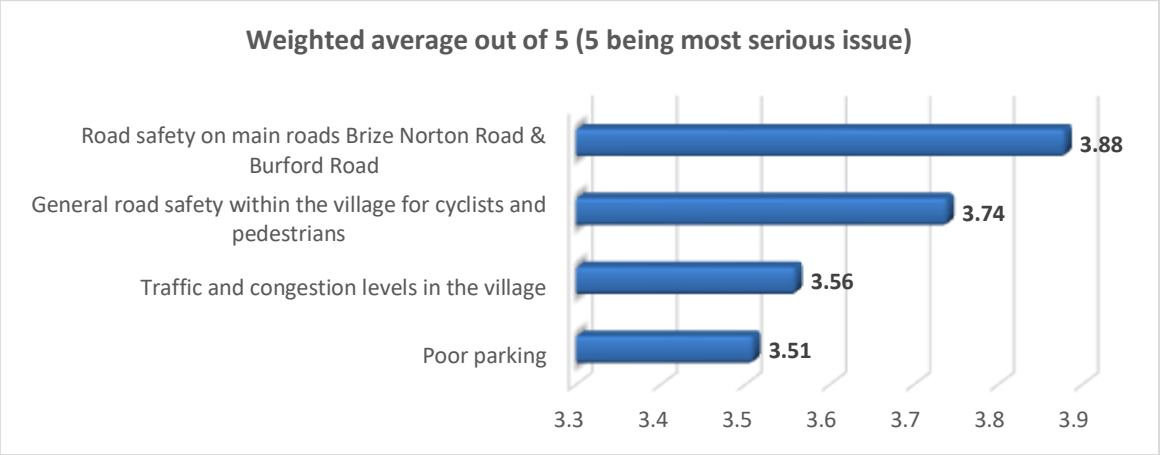
State of roads / potholes	5	Lack of cycle paths	4
Heavy traffic	3	Narrow pavements	2
Absence of connecting footpaths	1	Cars parked on pavements	1
No safe way to cycle/walk to Carterton	1	Need better maintained rural footpaths	1
Not enough open spaces to walk dogs	1	Lack of time	1
Stop travellers parking in lay-bys	1		

28. Do you think the following transport initiatives should be explored in the area?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 55 (71 TOTAL CHOICES)



Other (8 respondents, 9 total comments):			
Car sharing	1	Better cycle paths	1
Motorcycle lanes	1	Dualling A40	1
Park and Ride in Witney	1	Car park in Minster Lovell	1
Carterton to Oxford railway	1	Local small bus	1
More central bus stops	1		

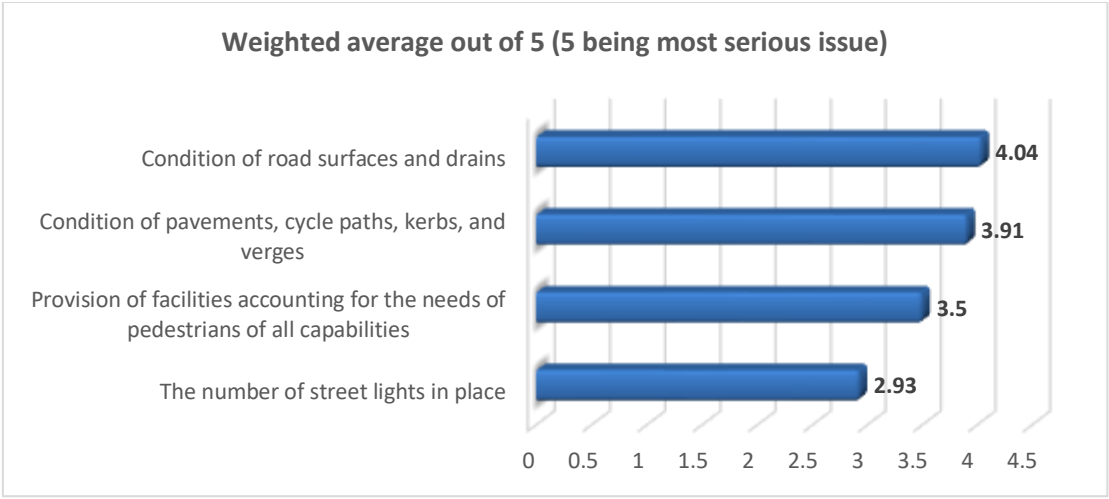
29. What do you think about the following road and traffic issues within and around Minster Lovell on a scale of 1-5: *1 = very minor issue, 5 = very major issue.*
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 188



Other (34 respondents, 39 total comments):

Poor parking around the school	7	Too many large vehicles on Brize Norton Road (too narrow)	4
Farmer's Dog has caused traffic issues and unsafe for people crossing	4	Potholes	3
Burford Road/Brize Norton Road junction needs improving / re-painting	3	People parking on pavements	2
People parking on junctions	1	Main road too fast	1
Brize Norton Road should be 20mph	1	Safety of pedestrians on Burford Road	1
A40 to Burford more congested since speed restrictions introduced	1	Parking outside Methodist Church unsafe	1
Dangerous coming out of Wenrise Drive onto Brize Norton Road	1	Wenrise Drive – issue of multiple car ownership	1
Residents parking multiple cars outside other people's property	1	Lack of property parking at houses on old developments	1
Not enough parking for hall	1	Parking in Old Minster for residents problematic due to visitor parking	1
Turning off Upper Crescent	1	Visibility at Dovecote junction poor	1
New white lines have helped in Old Minster but need extending	1	Re-paint white lines on roads	1

30. **What is your opinion on the road, pavement and cycle path infrastructure within and around Minster Lovell on a scale of 1-5:** *1 = very minor issue, 5 = very major issue?*
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 190



Other (25 respondents, 27 total comments):			
Potholes / roads uneven	3	Blocked drains	3
Too many lights (consider turning off overnight)	3	Dangerous dropped drains on Brize Norton Road	2
Cars parking on pavements	2	Poor lighting in Upper Crescent	2
Increasing number of cars turning onto A40	1	Should be safe way for pedestrians to walk along Burford Road	1
Brize Norton Road footpath major issue – can't walk/cycle safely	1	Crossing Brize Norton and Burford Roads difficult with wheelchair/scooter	1
School footpath overgrown	1	Path opposite White Hart overgrown	1
Path to Worsham overgrown	1	Verges and pavements need weeding	1
Bus stop at post office – no cover, seat	1	Need footpath from scout hut to	1

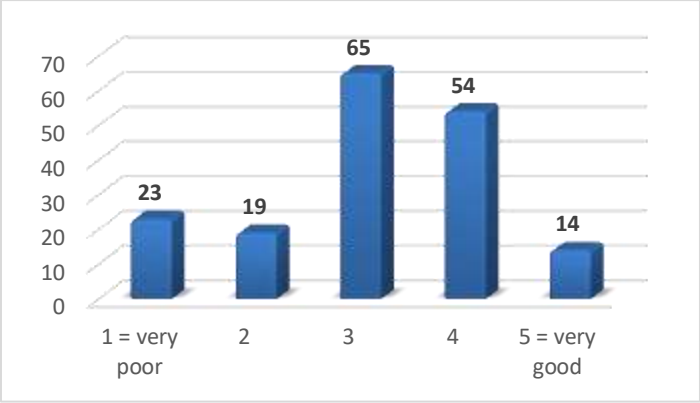
and dangerous path		bypass for bus stops	
Congestion = poor air quality	1	Richard does great job – could do with help and new tools	1

31. What should be done to improve overall road safety in the parish?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 100

Comments (100 respondents, 134 total comments):			
Fix potholes / resurface roads	13	Burford Road – reduce speed limit	11
Burford Road – traffic calming measures (camera, humps, etc)	10	Brize Norton Road – reduce speed limit	9
Enforce speed limits in general	7	Better speed controls/monitoring in general (cameras, humps, speed watch)	7
Widen pavements (especially Brize Norton and Burford Roads)	7	Focus on issue of school parking	7
Slow down traffic / reduce speed limits in general	5	Repair pavements	5
Prevent HGVS coming through village on too-narrow roads	5	Stop people parking on pavements / kerbs	4
Better/more lighting	4	Better cycle paths / conditions for cyclists	4
Better tree/hedge cutting so paths can be used effectively	3	Brize Norton Road - traffic calming measures (camera, humps, etc)	2
Restrict/reduce through traffic through village	2	No new development which brings more cars	2
Raise drain/manhole covers	2	Don't reduce speed limits	2
Safe crossing on Burford Road	2	Safe crossing for B4047	1
Safe crossing where bus from Oxford stops at bypass	1	Zebra crossing from White Hart car park to Spar shop	1
Speed camera by Spar shop	1	Improve access to Post Office/shop	1
Burford Road/Brize Norton Road junction needs improving / re-painting	1	Accessible pavements all the way to bus stops	1
Ban parking on corner opposite Swan	1	Better visibility at junctions	1
Reinstate right turn when leaving village by White Hart	1	Do something to prevent drivers speeding through chicane	1
Add ramp at entrance to school road	1	Reduce volume of cars	1
Measures to enable cars to pass safely in Old Minster	1	Old Minster – managed parking for visitors plus reserved resident parking	1
Fewer parked vans	1	Sort drains	1
Access only for HGVs	1	Restriced times for HGVs	1
Better suitability for people with mobility issues	1	Get rid of 20mph restrictions	1

32. What is your opinion about the general parking provision for community facilities in the village, most notably the pubs, churches, village hall, school, and sports & social club, on a scale of 1-5: *1 = very poor, 5 = very good?*

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 176



Comments (57 respondents, 77 total comments):			
School parking non-existent which results in poor and dangerous parking	26	Lack of parking at village hall - particularly bad during events	16
Church parking inadequate for number of users (including visitors)	9	Spar shop has limited number of spaces and dangerous to park on street	5
Village hall car park has dangerous entrance/exit	4	Limit to what additional car park facilities can be provided	2
Big problem all over the village	2	Lack of disabled spaces	2
Pubs have good provision	2	Busy at peak times	1
Need larger area behind hall	1	Spar parking blocks driveways	1
Parking on corner of Upper Crescent outside church is hazarous blind spot	1	People park everywhere regardless of saftey	1
Wash Meadow has good provision	1	Wash Meadow too small for summer	1
Creation of car parks would be ugly	1	Pretty good generally	1

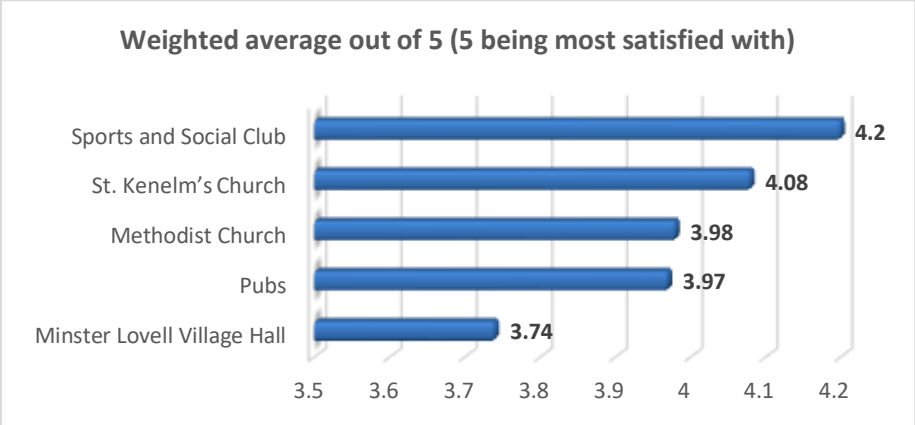
33. If you have any ideas with regard to parking, tell us what could be improved or changed?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 35

Comments (35 respondents, 42 total comments):			
Additional parking for church/ruins – tricky unless land is acquired	4	Yellow lines on Wenrise Drive to stop parents blocking junctions	4
New village hall (on tennis courts or back of existing) with parking at front	3	Don't build more houses	3
Stricter enforcement for school parking (ticket parents) and drop off only	3	Encourage children to walk to school	2
Stop people parking on pavements	2	Yellow lines on corner by church	2
Ensure newbuilds have enough parking	2	Public car parks in new estates	1
More use of bylaws and yellow lines	1	Purchase tennis courts for car park	1
Electric barrier into Wash Meadow with key fobs for residents	1	Residents only parking at Old Minster except desginated spaces	1
More parking at Spar shop	1	Layby parking extended at Spar shop	1
Longer parking bays at Spar shop	1	Allow Spar users to park at White Hart	1
School to provide staff parking	1	Stop parking outside Swan hotel	1
More parking at Drylands Road – use unused bit of green land	1	Parking on wide green verge opposite Upper Crescent	1
Approve more dropped kerbs	1	Mirror opposite village hall car park	1

		entrance/exit	
Instruct visitors to village hall car park	1	Enhanced signage for parking options	1

PART 7 – LOCAL AMENITIES

34. How satisfied are you with the following community buildings in Minster Lovell on a scale of 1-5: *1 = not satisfied at all, 5 = very satified?*
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 172



Sports and Social Club comments (10 respondents, 10 total comments):			
More community events	2	Extend	1
Outside toilet	1	Improve floodplan	1
Needs investment to keep it open all year round	1	Good when open	1
Coffee shop could be open more	1	Does well and teams are well suported	1
Very well kept	1		
St Kenelm's Church comments (20 respondents, 23 total comments)			
Needs more parking provision	4	Visitor centre (project ongoing)	3
New roof / roof repairs	3	New toilet	1
New kitchen area	1	Heating in winter	1
CCTV	1	Ramp for wheelchairs or easier access	1
Minibus rota to/from church	1	New community area	1
More community events	1	Needs community support	1
Could be used by community more if pews removed but contentious	1	Building maintenance	1
Development Committee has improvement plans in progress	1	Does little for community	1
Methodist Church comments (12 respondents, 12 total comments)			
Needs more parking provision	2	New roof / roof repairs	2
Good community events / social gathering / meeting room	2	Extension to allow for larger meeting room	1
Larger kitchen and toilet facilities	1	Parking along wide verge is useful	1
More service times	1	Stop parking on blind bend	1
Dwindling congregation	1		
Pubs comments (22 respondents, 26 total comments)			
Re-open Horse and Radish pub	12	White Hart is good	4
White Hart could improve outside	1	White Hart could improve pavement	1

space		access	
Should be bar and lounge with prices to match	1	Old Swan not for locals	1
More affordable catering options	1	More music	1
Quiz nights	1	Open daily	1
Review parking at Farmer's Dog	1	Farmer's Dog visitors should pay surcharge to Parish Council	1
Village Hall comments (35 respondents, 43 total comments)			
Needs refurbishing/modernising	10	Relocate / rebuild	6
Extend	6	Bigger car park	4
Better kitchen and storage	3	Improve dangerous exit/entrance	3
New dishwasher	2	Sort out ownderhip issue	2
Needs more smaller rooms	1	Room for council clerk	1
Fans	1	More notices of events	1
Get next door to cut hedge	1	Paint in parking bays in car park	1
Good location	1		

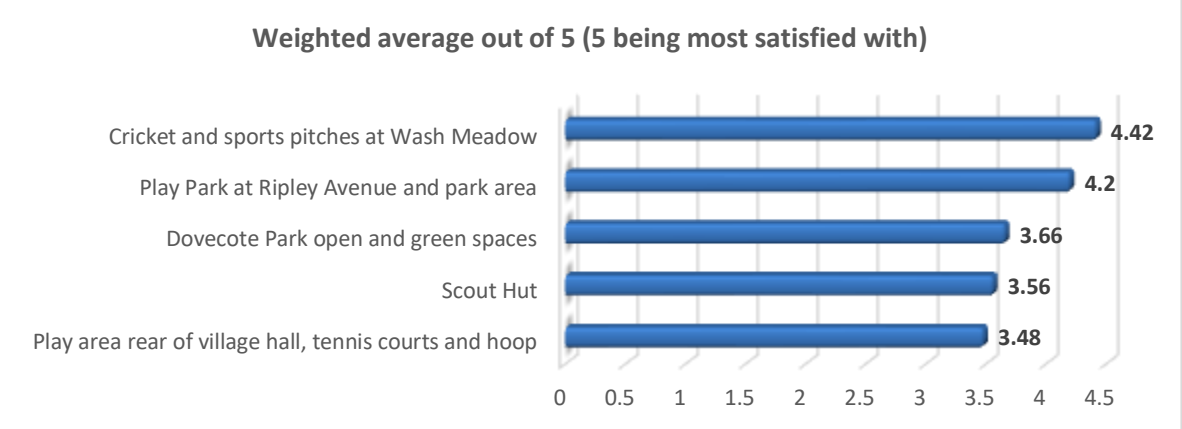
35. If you have other ideas for community buildings and/or services in Minster Lovell, please tell us what.

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 15

Comments (15 respondents, 17 total comments):			
New village hall with better facilities and more parking	10	More outings and social nights	2
GP	1	Banking hub	1
Coffee shop	1	Better parking in general	1
Maintain Horse and Radish building and gardens	1		

36. How satisfied are you with the following outdoor recreation opportunities in Minster Lovell on a scale of 1-5: *1 = not satisfied at all, 5 = very satified?*

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 163

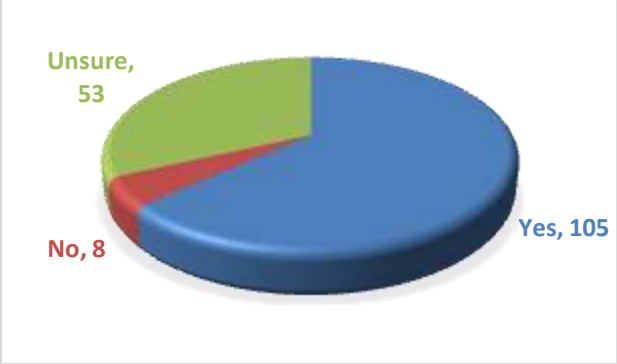


Cricket & sports pitches comments (5 respondents, 5 total comments):			
Excellent bar and parking	1	Drainage improvements in hand	1
Outside toilet	1	Could be cleaner	1

Dogs should be kept on leads	1		
Play park at Ripley Avenue comments (19 respondents, 22 total comments)			
Just been vandalised	4	CCTV	3
Fantastic facility	2	Antisocial behavious/noise	1
Fix what is broken	1	Litter	1
Could be cleaner	1	Better parking	1
Dog owners need to tidy up	1	More equipment for over 12	1
More activities	1	More picnic areas	1
More benches in the shade	1	Extend into Dovecote	1
Not used enough, make residents aware	1	Poor location adjacent to houses	1
Dovecote Park comments (16 respondents, 17 total comments)			
More trees (shady, large ones), replace dead trees	4	Hedges/trees need regular maintenance and water	2
More benches	2	Wild planting	1
Small play equipment	1	Develop area at rear for older children and dog walking	1
Cut the grass at the back	1	Encourage use for community	1
Unsightly addition	1	Don't feel welcome around here	1
More emphasis should have been given to recreation at development	1	Question should be for Dovecote residents only	1
Scout Hut comments (5 respondents, 5 total comments)			
Under-used	2	Better parking	1
Looks dreadful	1	Too remote	1
Play area at hall comments (21 respondents, 21 total comments)			
Improve court surface	5	Convert to hall/car park	3
Modernise / refurbish	3	Hidden from view / lack of supervision	2
Not sure who can use	2	Improve fencing	1
Convert to multi-sport field	1	Take out tennis nets, dangerous	1
Could be cleaner	1	Could be open more	1
Not used much	1		

37. Do you think the outdoor recreation spaces listed in the previous question offer a safe environment?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 166



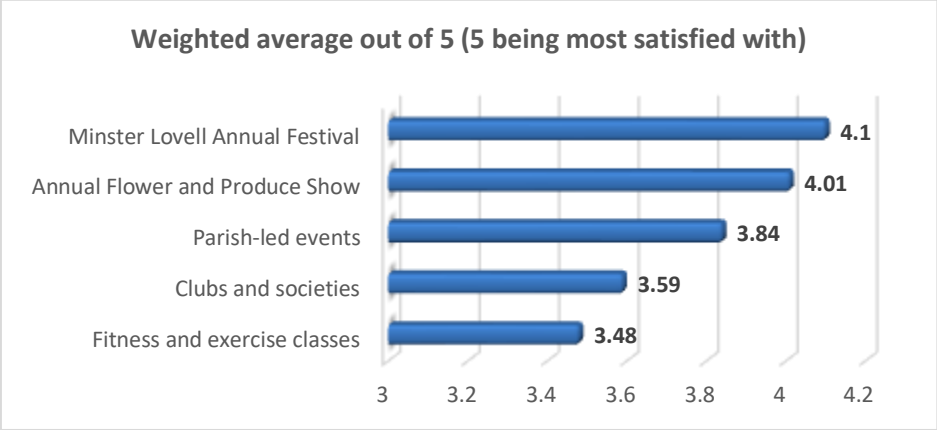
Comments (17 respondents, 17 total comments):			
Vandalism / drug dealing / unsociable behaviour at Ripley Park	7	Scout hut a bit remote	2

Dogs off leads	2	Provided young children are supervised	2
Unsafe at night	2	Playground by hall hidden from view	1
Still feels a safe village	1		

38. If you have other ideas for outdoor recreational spaces in Minster Lovell, please tell us what.
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 12

Comments (12 respondents, 15 total comments):			
Youth club	3	Outside gym equipment	2
Purchase land behind Ripley/Dovecote for new hall, skate park, football area, dog walk area	1	New developments should provide all weather sports areas	1
Basketball net in Ripley Park	1	Trim trail at other end of Ripley field	1
More facilities for older children	1	Geo-caching	1
More benches	1	More dog and waste bins	1
Community litter picks (more and better advertised)	1	Mixed foot/cycle path from Farmer's Dog to Minster and on to Witney	1

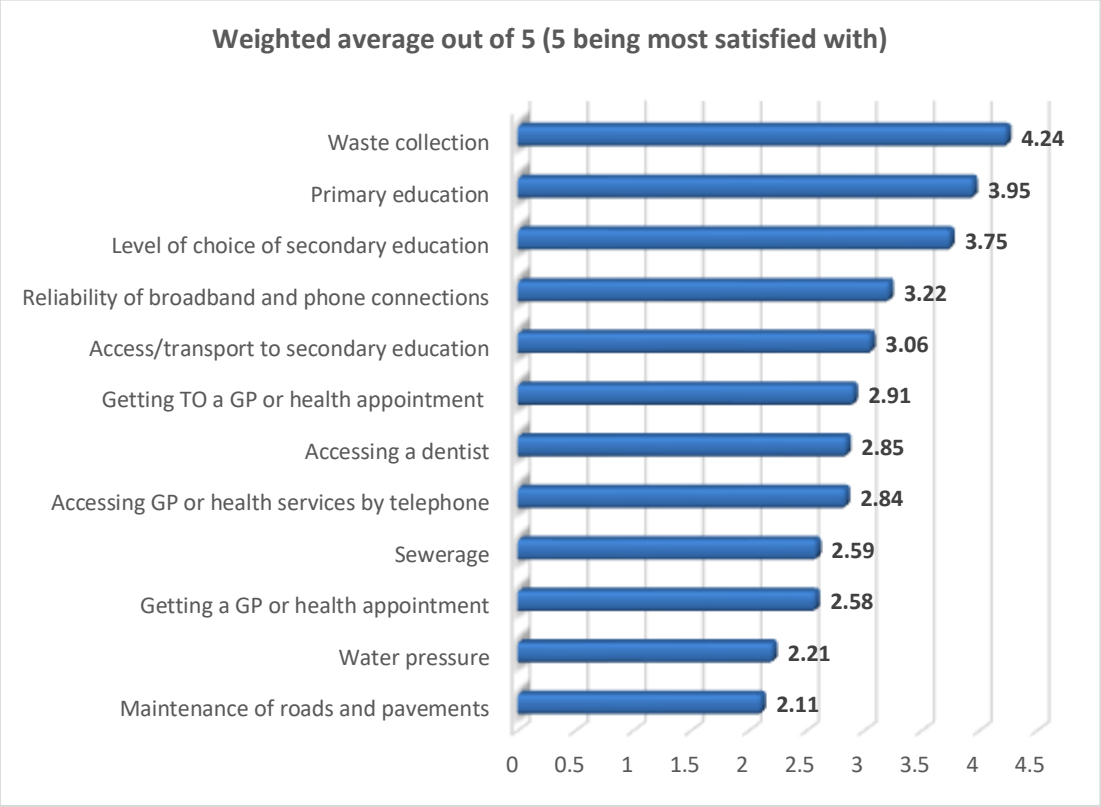
39. How satisfied are you with the types of clubs, classes, and activities offered in the parish on a scale of 1-5: *1 = not satisfied at all, 5 = very satified?*
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 158



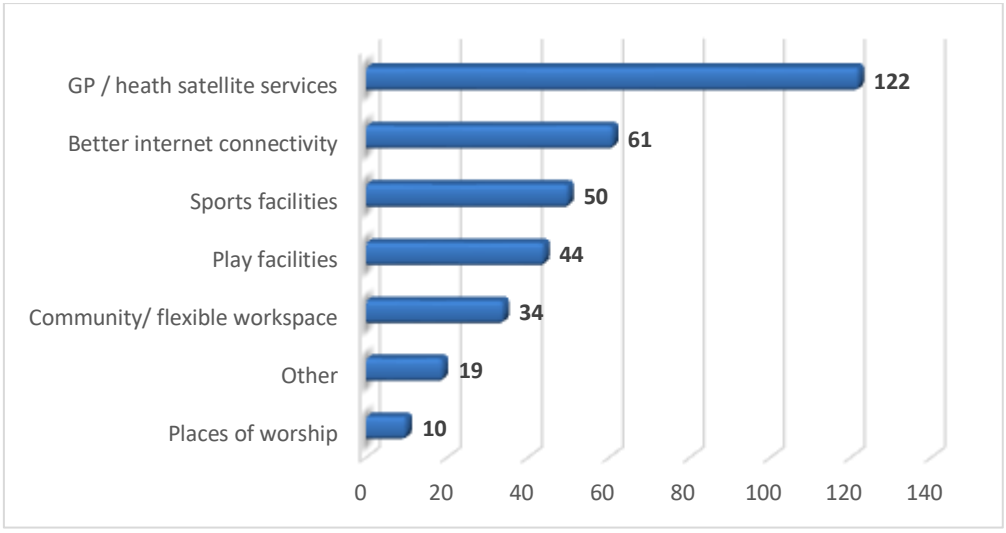
Comments (18 respondents, 19 total comments):			
More litter picking and more interest in them (could be scheduled over a week in smaller sections)	3	Youth club	3
More would be better but needs support and time	2	Same band of people who do everything, newcomers not interested	1
Coffee morning	1	Cinema club	1
Exercise classes after 6pm	1	Exercise classes for disabled	1
Life drawing classes	1	More facilities for older children	1
More facilities for 18-50	1	More signage for passers by	1
No annual festival anymore	1	I need more help with bike path etc.	1

PART 8 – LOCAL ECONOMY, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND SERVICES

40. Generally, how satisfied are you with the following infrastructure and services in and around Minster Lovell on a scale of 1-5: *1 = not at all satisfied, 5 = very satisfied?*
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 190



41. In your opinion, which of the following types of community facilities/services do you think there is the greatest need for in Minster Lovell?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 153 (340 TOTAL CHOICES)



Other (19 respondents, 21 total comments):

Better mobile phone signal	3	Better water pressure	2
Better village hall / community space	2	Coffee shop / café hub	2
Takeaway	1	More policing	1
All weather sports area	1	New football pitch	1
Chemist	1	NHS dentist	1
Youth club	1	Better transport links	1
More evening buses	1	New graveyard	1
Speed cameras	1	Rent workspace in new village hall	1

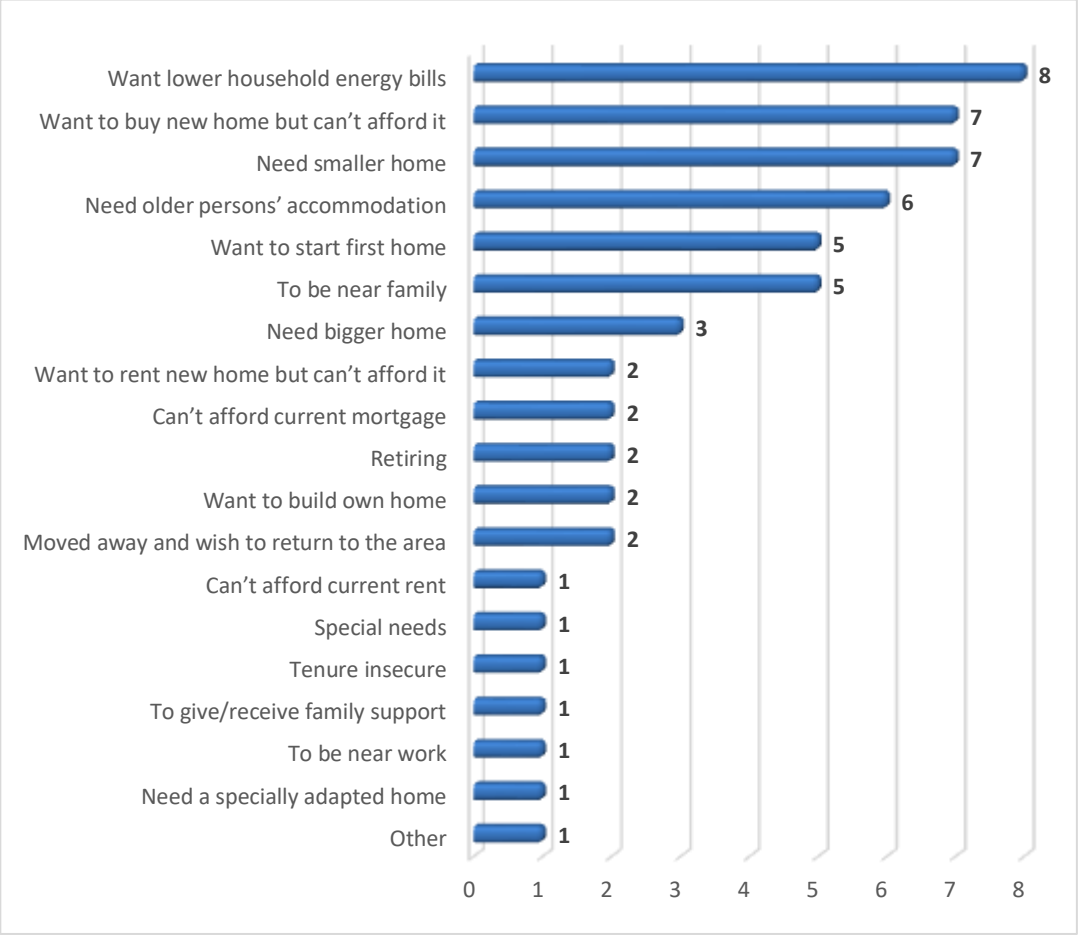
PART 9 – DO YOU HAVE A HOUSING NEED?

42. Are you or anyone from your household likely to need more suitable housing in the next 10 years?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 192

PART 10 – YOUR HOUSEHOLD'S HOUSING NEEDS

43. Why does your household need a new home?

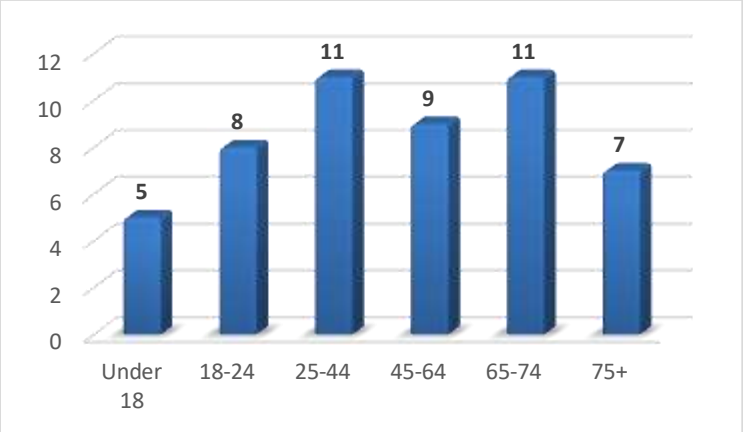
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 22 (58 TOTAL CHOICES)



Other (1 respondent):			
Smaller garden			

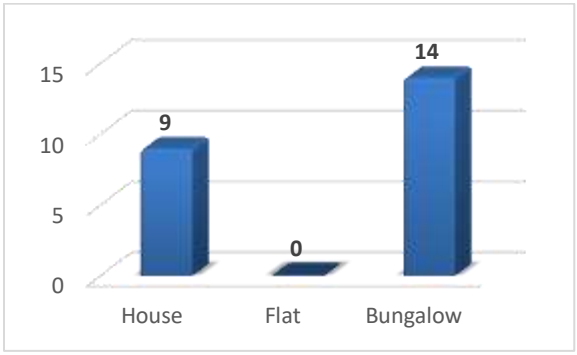
44. How many people of each age group would live in the new home?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 23 (51 INDIVIDUALS)



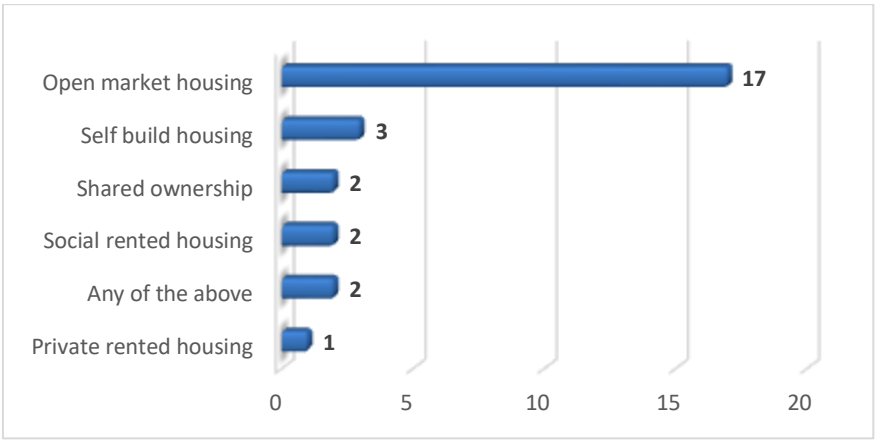
45. What type of home would best meet your needs?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 23



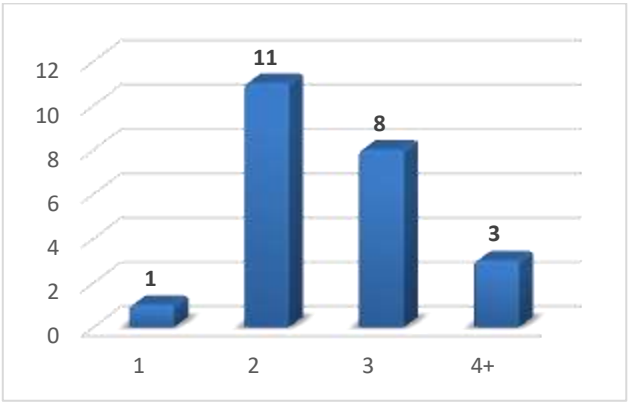
46. Which of the following would be best for you?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 22 (27 TOTAL CHOICES)



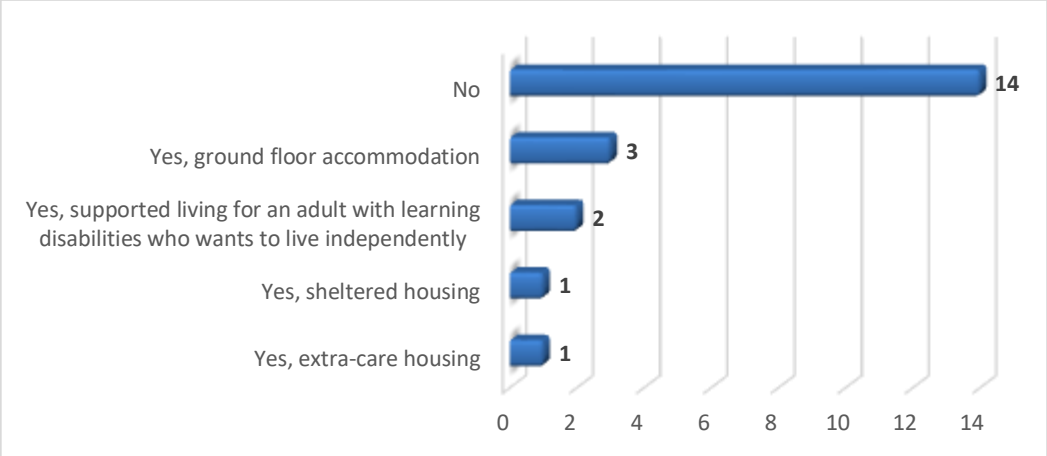
47. How many bedrooms would your new home need?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 23



48. Does anyone in your household have a specialist housing need? If so, what type do they require?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 20 (21 TOTAL CHOICES)



PART 11– COMMENTS

49. Do you have any other comments you would like to make?

TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 58

Waste of time completing. Damage already done to our village. Decision made with no thought of infrastructure which should be dealt with before any building considered. We need our village back and we don't want any more building.

Lovely village. Feel the local people that might stay won't be able to as houses will be too expensive. Bus services are better but it's easier to get in the car. Would be so much easier if a train station was still in Witney.

Just moved to Minster and very happy here - it's a friendly village with great character buildings and houses. We are worried about the impact of further development on the character of the village.

Voluntary transport scheme for elderly and non-drivers like Combe

Questionnaire too long

Fast losing its identity as a village - so sad.

I cannot stress enough how much the village does not need any new housing. We are a small rural village with a strong historic background and wish to stay as one. Dovecote Park is an ugly add on and has stretched our infrastructure to breaking point. The water situation is infuriating! Sewage is pouring into our homes and villages and Thames Water does nothing. It is near impossible to get a GP appointment. Protect our wildlife.

Beautiful village with great historic links - has many visitors from all over the world. Also, one of only 5 Chartist villages. All this needs to be preserved. Yes, there may be a need for new housing but it needs to be in the right place with the right infrastructure. According to WODC, Minster Lovell has done its bit with Dovecote Park - this has put a strain on the infrastructure already as well as causing social problems and increasing crime. We need to preserve the community spirit and protect the abundant wildlife.

Old part of village - biggest issue is increased number of visitors with limited unrestricted parking. Often witness haphazard parking which would deter access to emergency vehicles. Our garage access is frequently blocked despite signage and our wheelie bins get moved and used by visitors. They are rude and disrespectful of residents and each other, often arguing over rights of way and parking spaces, and on a few occasions has escalated to physical violence. We appreciate you have no control over visitor numbers but lack of parking is a major issue and on sunny days we are reluctant to go out and our family consider it a nightmare to visit. The ideal solution would be to make parking resident only, i.e. Bibury.

I really enjoy living here, it is a very friendly village and I am keen for it to remain that way. More housing will spoil the current culture, also the water supply! I would like to see more leisure facilities.

Waste of time as local and parish councils ignore all the comments and do what they like.

Housing development in and adjacent to Charterville has expanded enormously over the past few years; it has now arguably exceeded the limits of sustainability and should go no further. Old Minster Lovell became a Conservation Area in 1990. As described in the WODC document - Conservation Area Character Appraisal, p.2, para 2 "Famed since the early 19th century for the scenic ruins of its medieval manor house, 'old' Minster Lovell is a small, highly attractive village, whose distinctive character derives much from its idyllic riverside setting". Likewise, in the WODC document Minster Lovell - Proposals for Preservation and Enhancement, p.2, para 5, "Special care must be taken to ensure that views into and out of the Conservation Area, as well as views within the Conservation Area, are not harmed." This status must be maintained for the benefit of future generations; in particular, no development should be undertaken in any of the greenfield sites within and around the village.

Tired of paying high water rates when frequently get water outages. We should get lower bills or compensation. School needs designated car park, big nuisance.

There are many areas of the village I can't access in a wheelchair. Bin days = blocking of pavements, plus overgrown hedges and narrow pathways. Dropped kerbs not low enough to safely use.

No more housing

Moved here 43 years ago. During that time, small-scale building developments have been carried out and blended gently into the village. The new estate is a travesty and should never have been allowed and will bring pressure to have similar. If only affordable housing could be available for young residents but it's not enforceable or practical. Anecdotal evidence suggests some of the social housing has not been a success at the new estate, introducing social problems that didn't exist before.

Can we keep our village a village please. Improve bus connectivity and walking/cycling routes.

More small bungalows needed for elderly or people who want to downsize, to either buy or rent.

20mph speed limit on Wenrise Drive was a complete waste of money - it has had no impact. Slowing traffic in general is a bad idea as it leads to congestion and therefore more pollution. Driving at 20mph is significantly more polluting than 30mph. Give us back our freedom of choice.
Mixing social housing with larger purchased properties does not work. Trapped in home unable to sell/move. Clarion Housing take no responsibility and local council do nothing to help.

Please sort out speeding from Freeland chicane to top of Bushey Ground, and traffic speeding up from just before Bushey Ground turn to leaving village.

Thank you for giving us a voice and listening to our opinion. Minster Lovell is a wonderful place to live.

Do not build another development of poor quality and design of Dovecote Close. Infrastructure here can't cope with the development. Water and power cut out, roads are too narrow, no future proofing whatsoever, no renewables, the only good thing is the LED street lighting.

Better infrastructure for water - bills going up but regular incidents of no water with no compensation. Sort parking at school with fines/bans etc. Place pallet bug houses around village to attract wildlife.

Amazed at how quickly farmland has been sold off to developers to build on. Once it's gone, it's gone.

There should be no further development in or around Minster Lovell. The cleaning up of the River Windrush should be treated as priority and steps should be taken to prevent any further sewage or pollution.

Get rid of 20mph limits and 50mph Asthall-Burford. 30 and 40mph should occur in Witney.

Edges of roads bad. Violations of planning applications not stopped.

The village is just that - a village! It would be a tragedy for more development to result in it being absorbed into Witney.

With more houses, a Minster Lovell GP surgery. A roundabout at the bottom of Brize Norton Road - it would slow the traffic down and ease access.

When the new development next to Dovecote was signed off last January and WODC agreed it was a suitable plan against their own councillor's better judgement and the villager's wishes, we, the local residents, lost faith. All of the issues in Minster Lovell can't be magically resolved without a serious amount of financial investment. Even so, due to its limitations in road systems, facilities, and location, you can't turn Minster Lovell into a medium sized village with hundreds more houses.

Should there be any further development then the water situation needs to be able to cope. The school is full. There was talk of a new cemetery but this hasn't come about. Doctor’s surgeries can't cope. The character of the village should be maintained. Police patrols/village PC to help with vandalism and anti-social behaviour we have sometimes experienced. Maybe use scout hut for a youth club.

I would like to see an Annual Village Day where all the organisations and Businesses could take part in

an endeavour to bring the village together. On the following page it asks if anyone would like to get involved in community projects but only list those headed up by the council.

Keen to preserve current level of development - the village has seen sufficient development. Preserve green spaces.
Pity a survey like this was not undertaken before the building of Dovecote Park. It was too big for the village and houses were placed overlooking other properties.

No point, you didn't stop the houses and house values have gone down.

The Village offers a vibrant community with a good range of facilities for everyone. The Village should have no further development so that the unique rural and historic character of the Village can be maintained for future generations to enjoy. There is a strong community spirit that is maintained by a community of our size.

Keep village as lovely as it is. Water infrastructure will not be sufficient for new homes as we have low water pressure on regular occasions. Path along Burford Road is not safe to walk along.

Biggest concern about any new development is infrastructure. Power cuts and loss of water experienced. Any new development needs a better supply which must be added first.

Village is in danger of losing its historic character and charm due to over-development. Infrastructure such as water and sewage a concern. New development occupants should be encouraged to join the community.

We think ML has taken its fair share of development.

No more housing estates please.

I don't mind small housing developments in the current size of the village but if larger developments are made it will lose itself as a village. If more of it is social housing, then crime will go up. Following the development at Dovecote we have constant mini power cuts which stops water to certain parts of the village.

I need more help working on bike path and school hill, Church Lane, the Stile walk down to school hill.

We would like to have better access to Oxford via a direct bus and easily accessible train access to London and Oxford.

Thank you for asking for my views.

The problem is the plans are that looking at the plans we will become part of Witney except for the field behind the allotments which developers will use as a green space, the agreed plans for the further development of the new housing estate that the secretary of state as agreed although the water supply to village is at maximum already.

Minster Lovell is a beautiful but isolating village.

Any social housing built in the village should be for local people from the village. Soon the village will be joined to Witney if all the new developments in West Witney continue. The village has had all the additional housing it can support at the moment. Thames Water is a big problem for the river and the

reliability of facilities to households.

Water pressure is major concern.

Have recently moved here - would love to find support and art activities.
Going to Old Minster by car when you get to the bridge you can't see anything coming over the bridge because of a hedge that should not have been allowed to be planted.

Fines for parking on pavements. Youth vandalism in village needs addressing. Dog fouling on peoples property/gardens.

A number of footpaths around St kenelms close and Charterville close are reduced due to excessive planting, all the footpaths within the village should be kept clear.

Keeping both parts of the village integrated in whatever happens is important, providing common meeting spaces for recreation and worship are important too for all ages.

Speed limit on Burford Road to high. Cameras are required to lower speed limits. Council needs to cut the grass outside Dovecote estate as it becomes very dangerous exiting the estate due to length of grass.

Love living in Minster Lovell but worried it will lose its identity if the scale of house predicted are built.

Any further development in Minster Lovell needs to be accompanied by investment in the infrastructure including roads, water and electricity - all of which are currently issues for the village.

PART 12– JUST BEFORE YOU LEAVE…

50. Would you be willing to get involved with community projects in the village or join the Parish Council?
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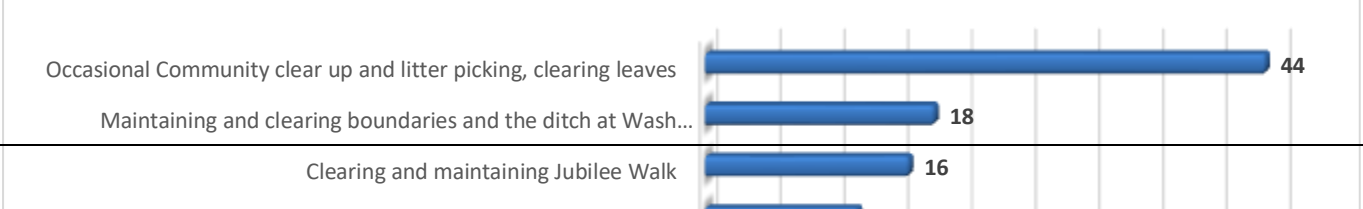
51. If you ticked 'yes', which of the following tasks would you be prepared to help with?
TOTAL RESPONDENTS = 45 (90 TOTAL CHOICES)