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Shawbury
Parish Plan



A COMMUNITY PROJECT

Results/Proposed Actions from Household, Youth & Business Questionnaires and POD surveys at Schools

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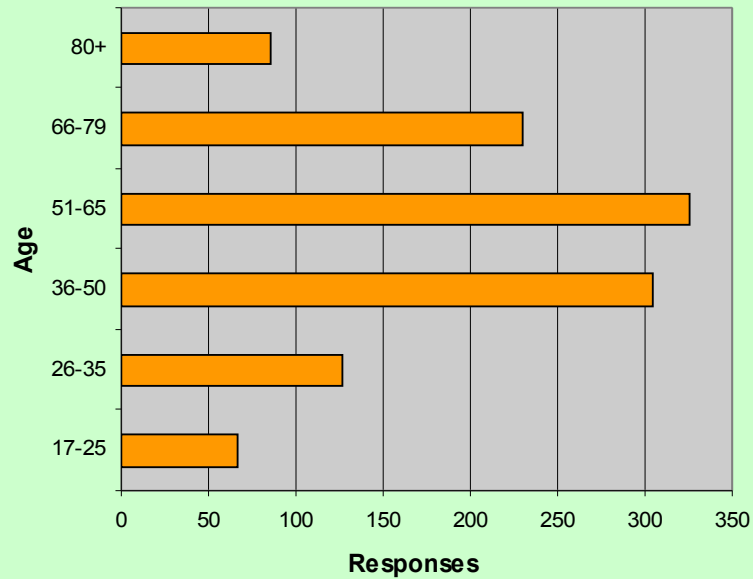
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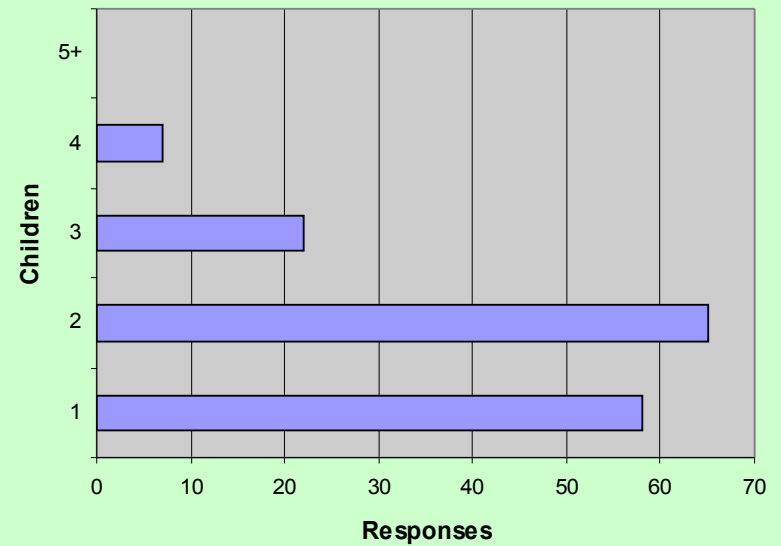


Your Household

Q1. What is your age?



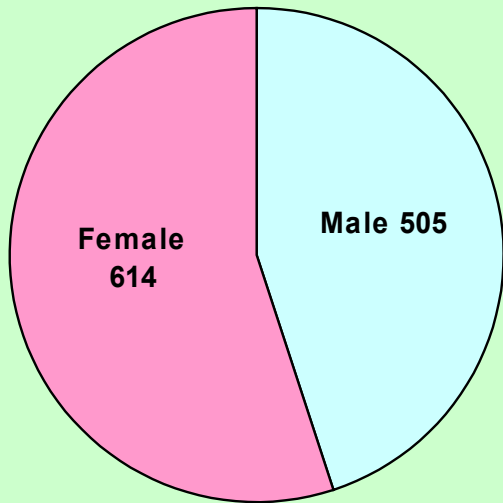
Q2. How many children are there aged 16 or under living in your household?



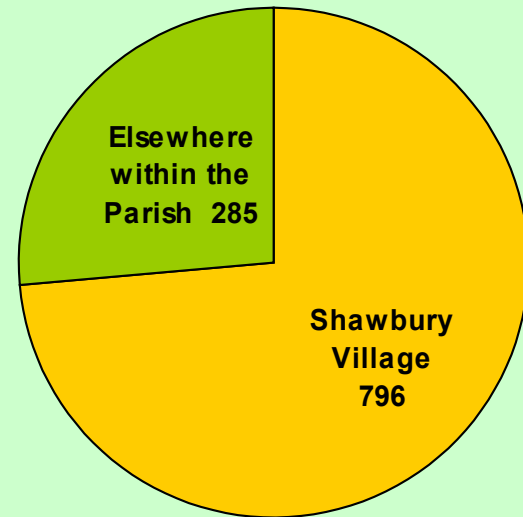


Your Household

Q3. What is your gender?



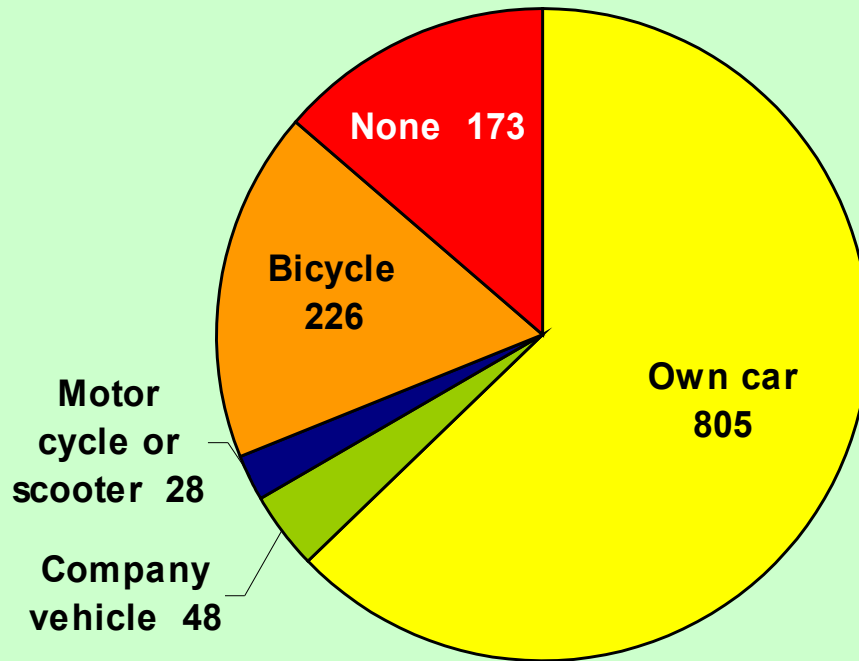
Q4. Where do you live?





Your Household

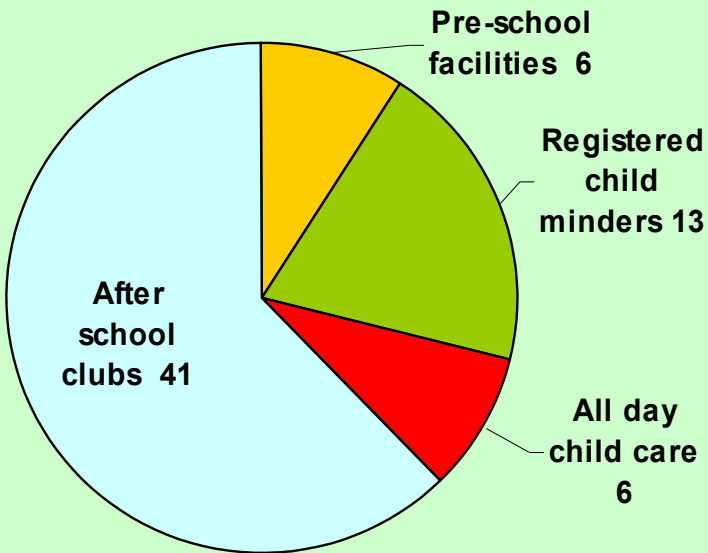
Q5. What vehicles do you have?





Education

Q6. Do you experience problems in finding places in any of the following?



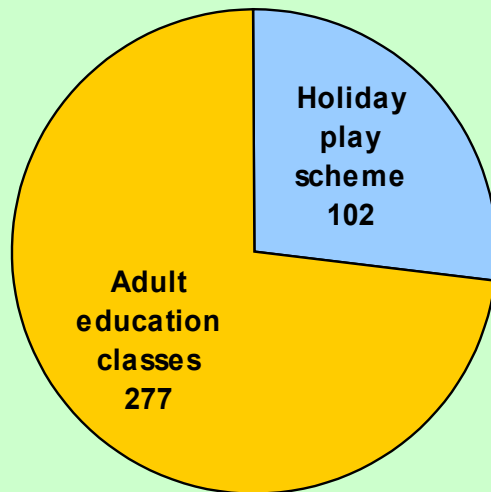
Comment: Nearly two thirds (62%) of the 66 that responded to this question raised after school clubs. Enquiries made post-questionnaire to determine after school clubs indicated that there are quite a number of clubs already in place for children.

Action: No further action.

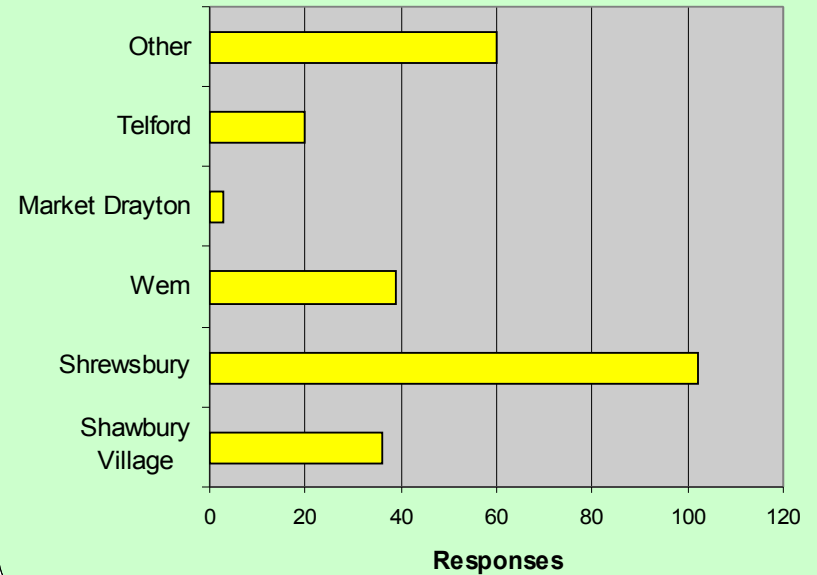


Education

Q7. Would you use either of the following services if provided?



Q8. Where do you go for Adult Education?



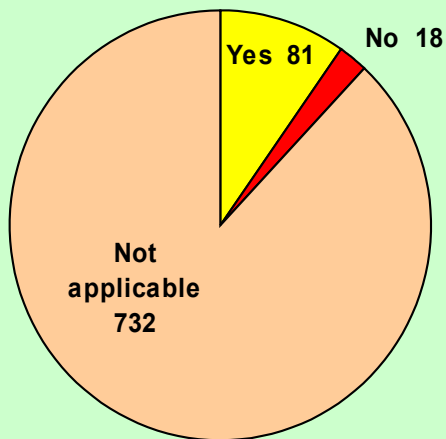
Comment: A good response to activities/classes, with the most popular computer/IT, foreign languages, art/painting/sketching, crafts and dance/keep fit. Time of day (daytime/evening) and venue could influence the availability/take-up of any course.

Action: Refer to **SCC Adult Education, Village Hall Committee and RAF Shawbury** (fitness).

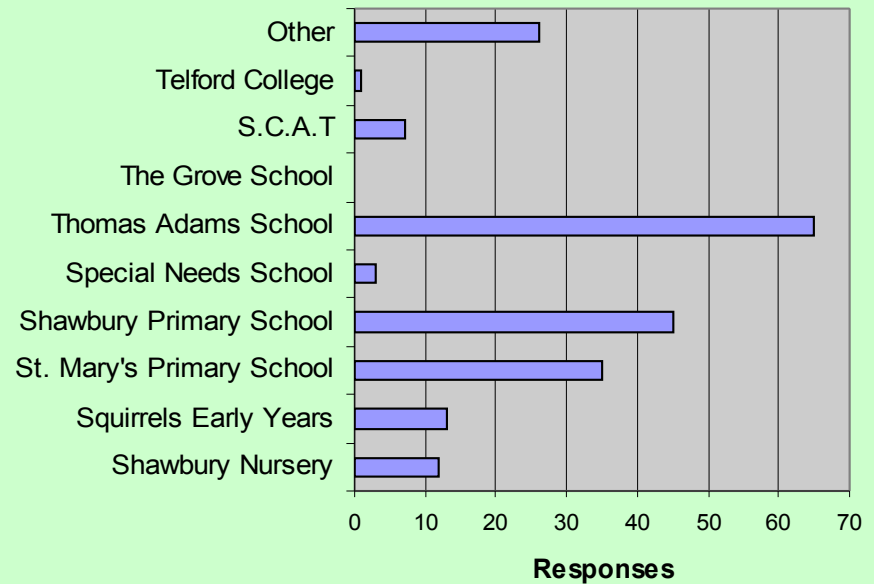


Education

Q9. Does the school bus meet your needs?



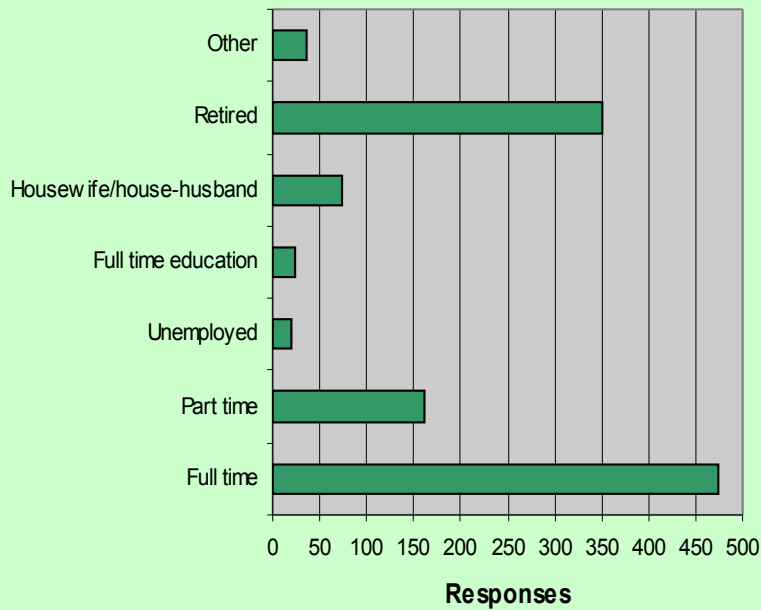
Q10. Which education establishments do children attend in your household?



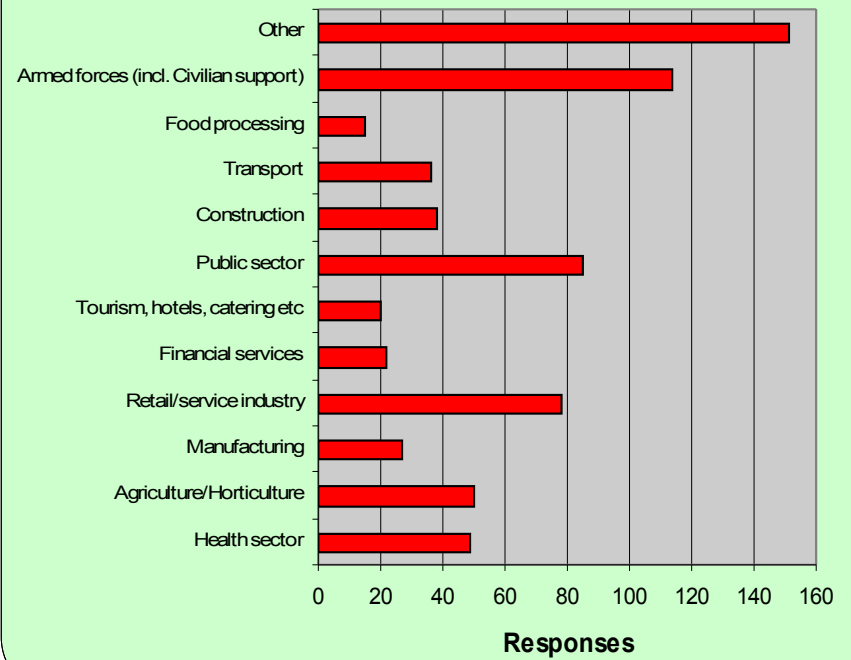


Employment

Q11. Details of Employment



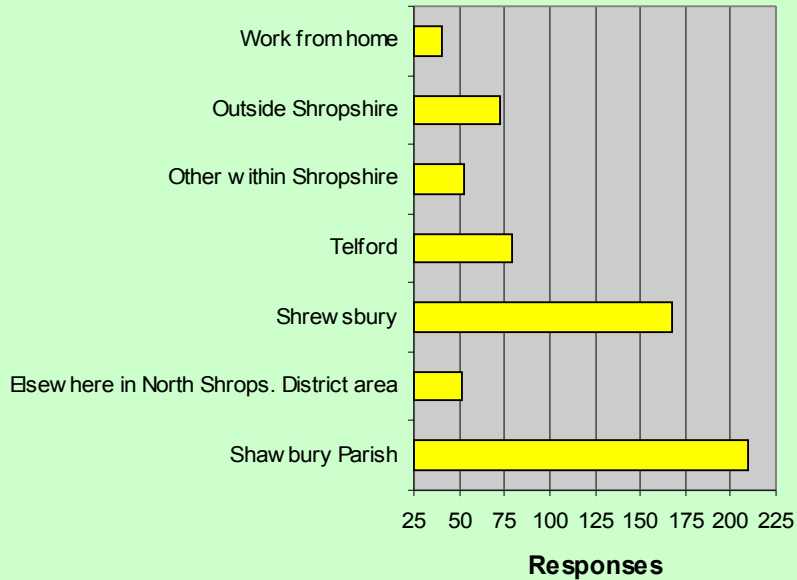
Q12. Area of Employment



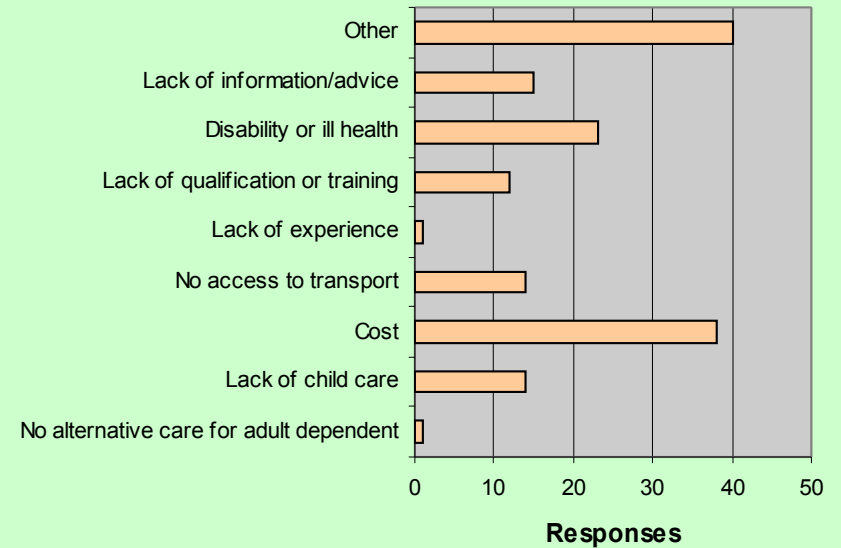


Employment

Q13. Place of Employment



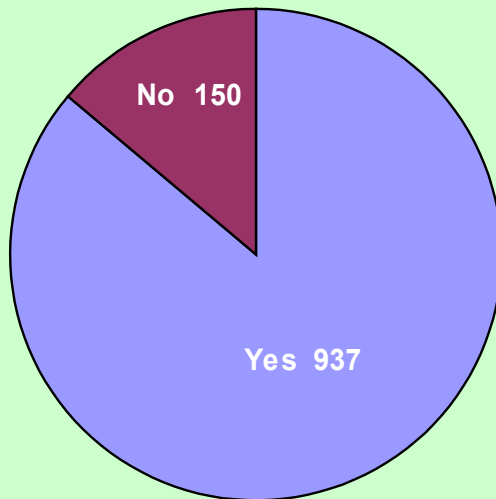
Q14. If you are looking for work or wish to study - What are the reasons why you cannot?



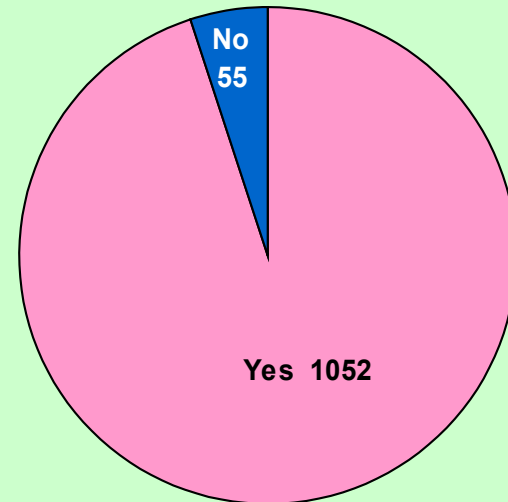


Services/Amenities/Activities

Q15. Would you agree that the shopping facilities in the village are adequate?



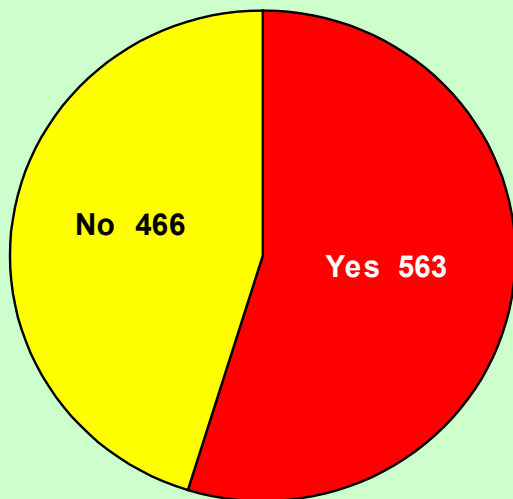
Q16. Is the village Post Office important to you?





Services/Amenities/Activities

Q17. Would you like to see modern public toilets in the village centre?



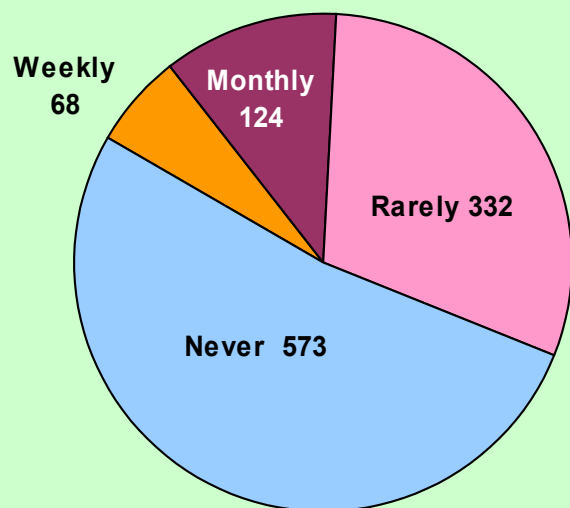
Comment: Nearly 60% of people said they would like to see a public toilet in the village centre. Possible options – Stand alone facility with charge, arrangement to use facilities at the “Elephant and Castle” or the Village Hall.

Action: The old toilets were removed following continual damage. Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council**.

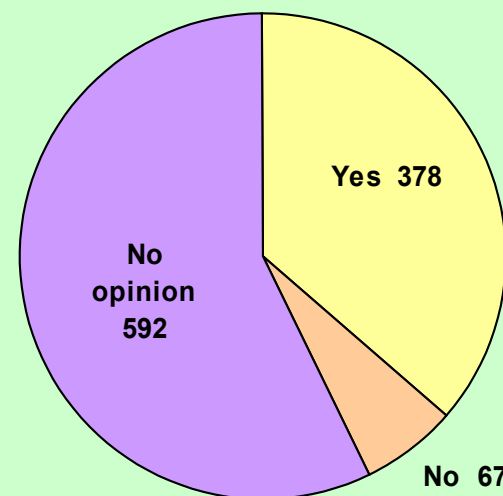


Services/Amenities/Activities

Q18. How often do you use the Library?



Q19. Are you happy with the opening hours of the Library?



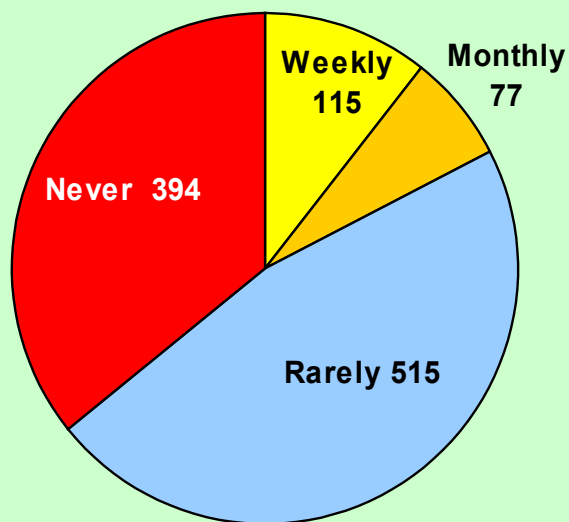
Comment: Over 80% said they rarely or never use the library. 85% were happy with the opening hours.

Action: Forward information to SCC Libraries, and ask if they can improve/encourage usage – publicity, events etc.



Services/Amenities/Activities

Q20. How often do you use the Village Hall



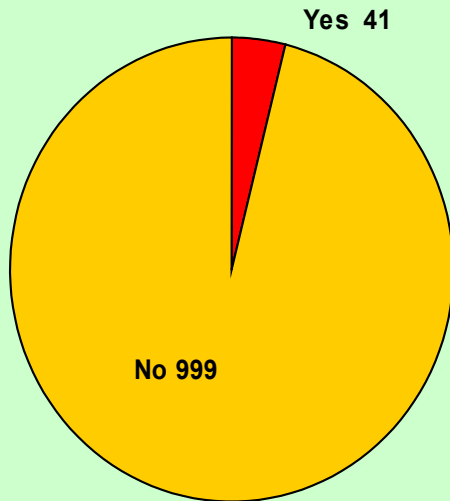
Comment: Over 80% said they rarely or never used the Village Hall. A Working Party comprising of representatives of the Parish Council and Village Hall Committee to discuss ways of encouraging greater use by the community. The railings around the Village Hall were considered to be the second worst feature of the Parish.

Action: Refer to working party (Shawbury Parish Council and Village Hall Committee) to see how greater usage could be made of the Hall.

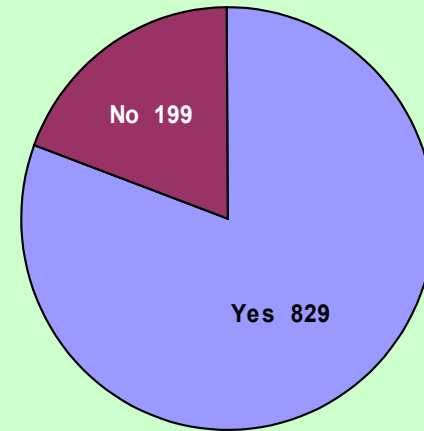


Services/Amenities/Activities

Q21. Would you be willing to run the Village Hall?



Q22. Would you like to see a bonfire/fireworks event return to the playing field?



Comment: A surprising number (41) said they would be willing to help run the Village Hall.

Action: Place an item in the Shawbury News to find out who these people are.

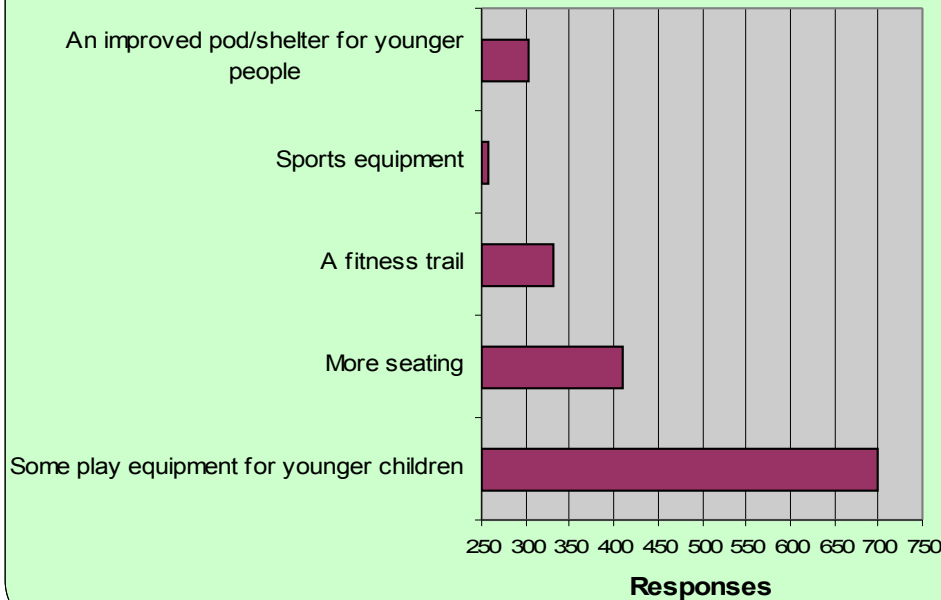
Comment: The Parish Council arranged the 2008 event on the Recreation Ground which was well supported.

Action: **Shawbury Parish Council** to undertake the event on an annual basis, providing it continues to be supported.



Services/Amenities/Activities

Q23. What would you like to see on the playing field?



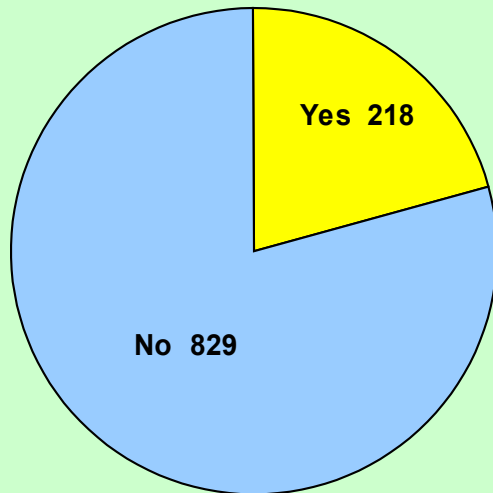
Comment: When asked what facilities one would like to see on the Recreation Ground 35% wished to see play equipment for younger children, 21% would like to see more seating and 17% a fitness trail.

Action: A playground has been funded through the efforts of the Shawbury Action Group and a new POD by the Parish Council. Refer wish for more seating, fitness trail and sports equipment to **Shawbury Parish Council** (Possible item for a Focus Group).



Services/Amenities/Activities

Q24. Would you go fishing in the River Roden if it were possible?



Comment: Over a fifth (21%) of people said they would go fishing in the River Roden. The new lease for the Moat field will allow, under permit by the Parish Council, fishing of the River Roden.

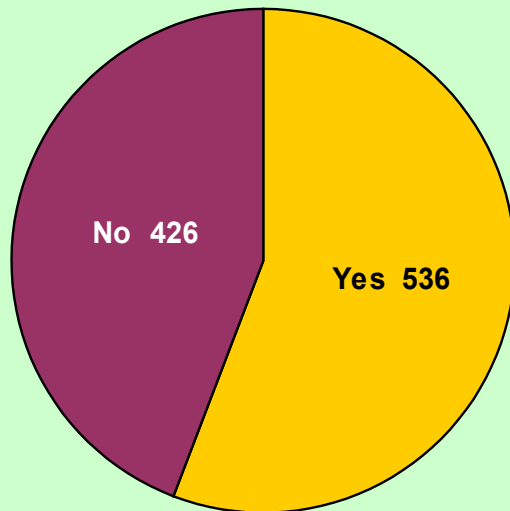
The river adjacent glebe field could be used but this would require negotiations with the Diocese of Lichfield, whose land this is.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council.**



Services/Amenities/Activities

Q25. Would you like to see more public seating around the Parish?



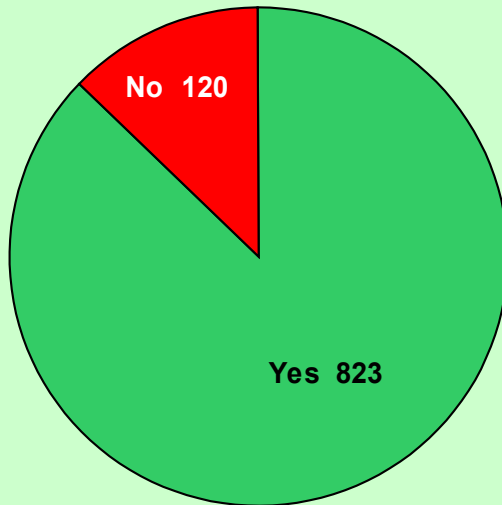
Comment: Nearly 60% of people said they would like to see more public seating. Seating has previously been removed from some areas due to concerns about the number of young people congregating.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council** to consider locations suggested in the questionnaire.

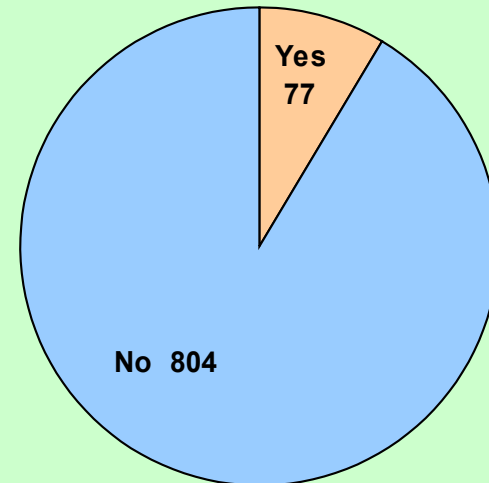


Services/Amenities/Activities

Q26. Would you like to see a Youth Club in the Village?



Q27. Would you be willing to be a leader or help in the running of the Youth Club?



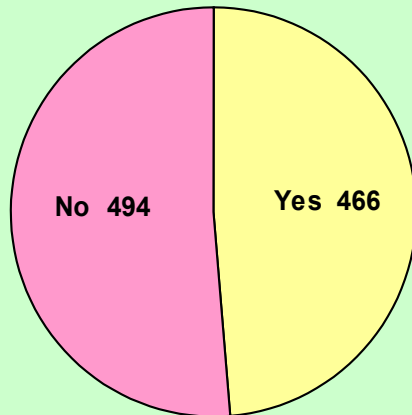
Comment: Nearly 90% said they would you like to see a Youth Club in Village. It is understood that the Village Hall are amenable to this, providing it is adequately supervised. 77 people said they would be willing to be a leader of the Youth Club or help in some way.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council, Village Hall Committee and SCC Youth Service**. Item in the Shawbury News to locate these potential helpers.

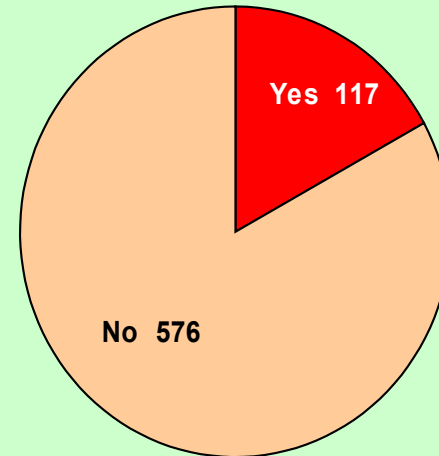


Services/Amenities/Activities

Q28. Would you support a voluntary-led drop-in coffee/tea shop in the church or Village Hall?



Q29. Would you help run a drop-in coffee/tea shop?



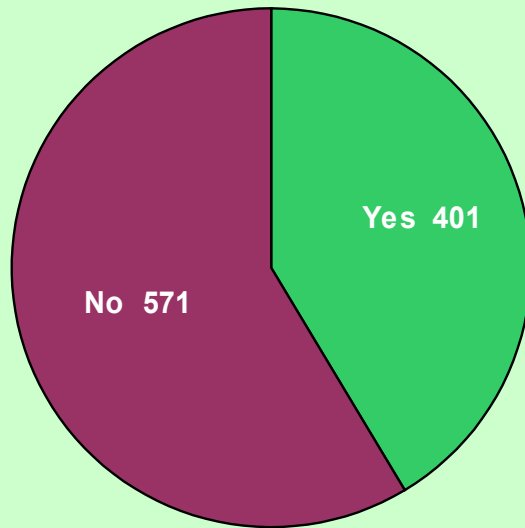
Comment: Nearly half said they would support a drop-in coffee/tea shop at the Church or Village Hall. When asked if they would help run such a facility 117 people said they would.

Action: **Refer to working party (Shawbury Parish Council and Village Hall Committee) and Church.**



Services/Amenities/Activities

Q30. Would you support an official "Good Neighbour scheme"?



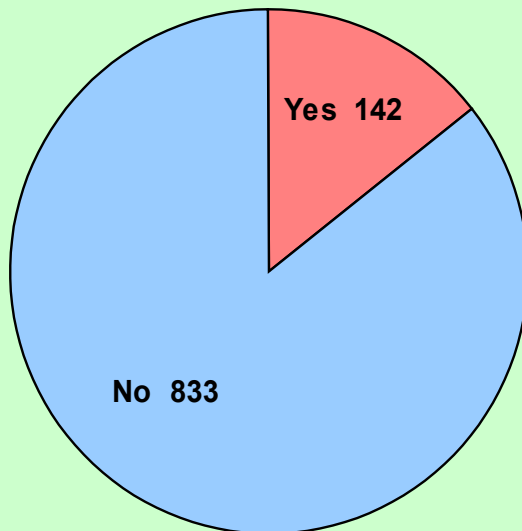
Comment: 41% said they would support an official "Good Neighbour Scheme". However, it is noted that 28% of people responding to the household questionnaire were over 66 and 31% were retired. There is an unofficial good neighbour scheme already present in parts of the Village.

Action: Publicise voluntary car scheme more and recruit drivers. Make the local community more aware of the various agencies available to assist them.



Services/Amenities/Activities

Q31. Are you aware of any problems of access to facilities etc in the Parish?



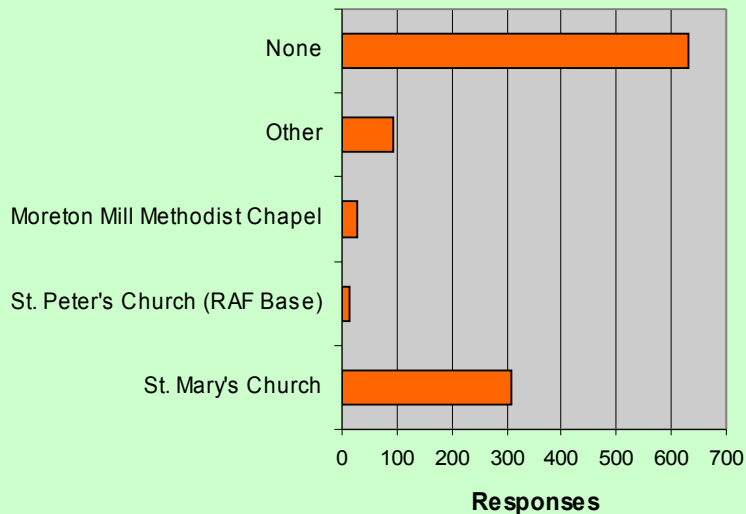
Comment: Only 15% (142) were aware of any problems people with disabilities experience with access or using facilities. However, something not affecting an able bodied person can sometimes be a real barrier to someone less able.

Action: Set up **Shawbury Access Group (SAG)** to Investigate issues. Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council and SC Highways/Countryside Access.**

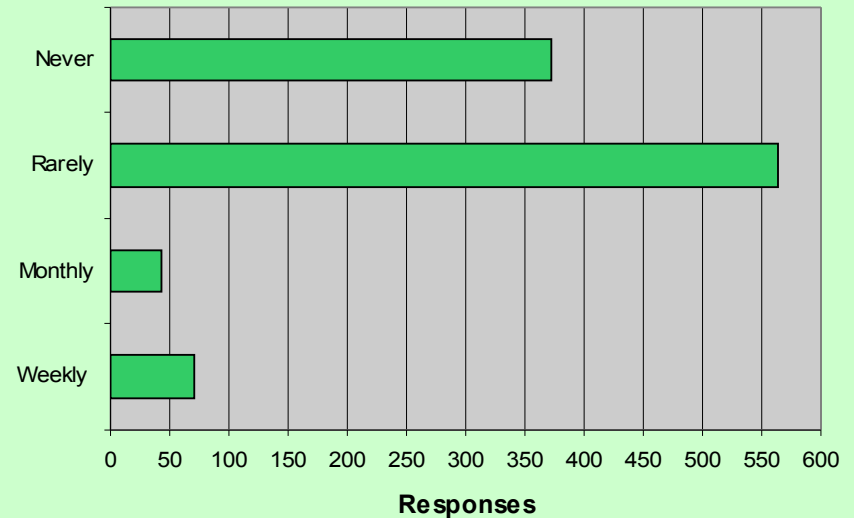


Services/Amenities/Activities

Q32. Where do you worship?



Q33. How often do you attend church services?



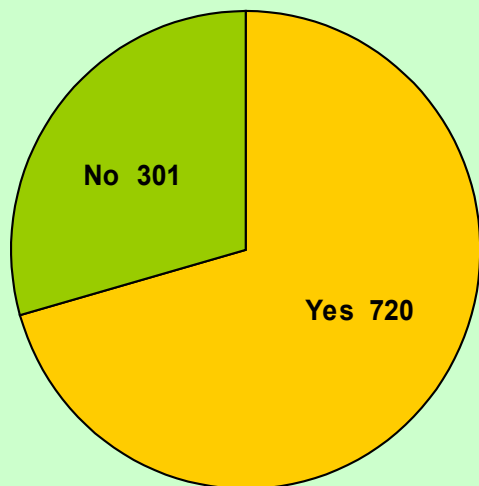
Comment: Almost 90% said they rarely/never attend church.

Action: Forward information to local churches. No further action.

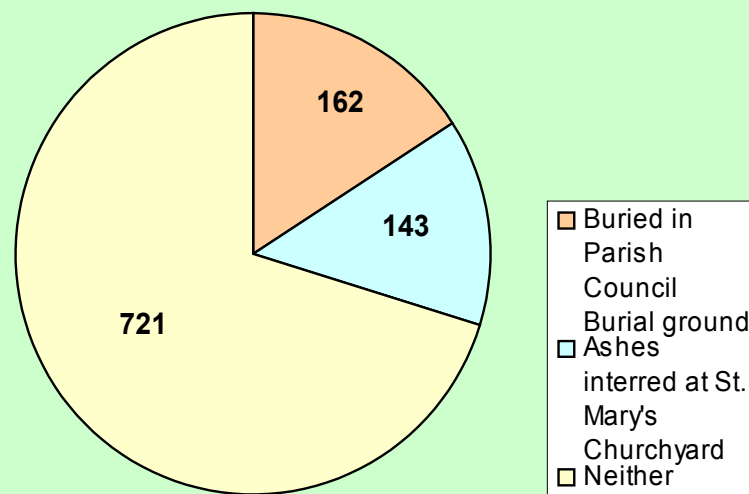


Services/Amenities/Activities

Q34. Would you use the church/chapel for christenings/weddings?



Q35. Where would you wish to be buried/interred?



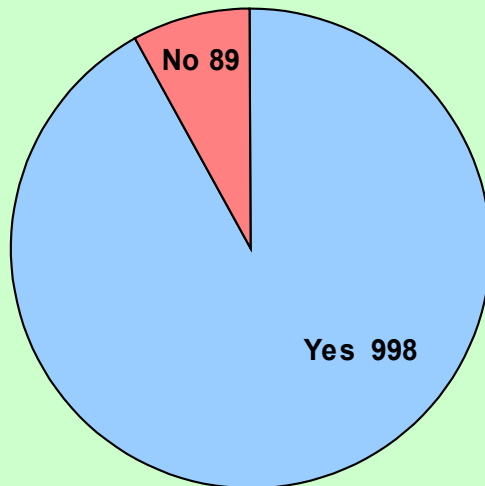
Comment: Nearly three quarters of people said they would for use the Church for weddings or christening. Only 30% of people wanted to be buried/interred at St. Mary's churchyard/Parish Council's burial ground.

Action: Results forwarded to St Mary's Church and Parish Council. No further action.

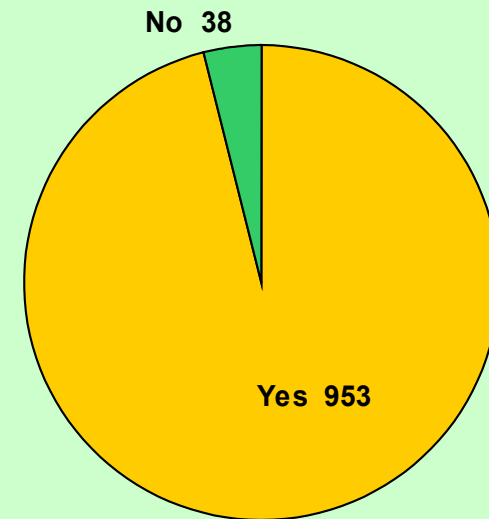


Communication

Q36. Do you receive a copy of the Shawbury News?



Q37. Do you read the Shawbury News?



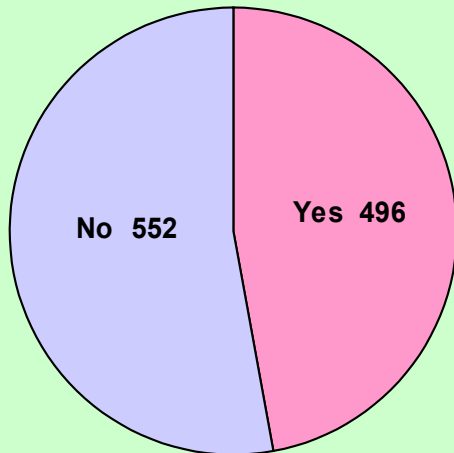
Comment: Over 90% receive and read the Shawbury News. A few households in outlying areas would wish to receive a copy.

Action: Results and distribution issues forwarded to the editor of Shawbury News. No further action.

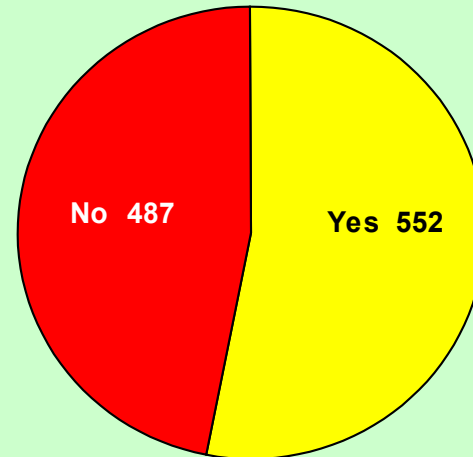


Communication

Q38. Do you look at the Parish Council Noticeboard?



Q39. Do you know what Shawbury Parish Council does?



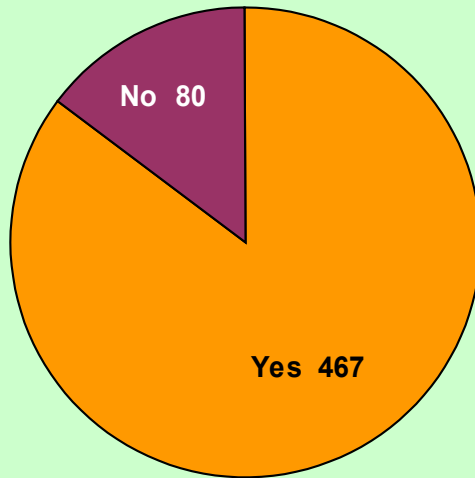
Comment: Nearly half of people look at the Parish Council Notice board and just over half know what the Parish Council does.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council** to promote what it does. Consider “portfolio holders” within the Council who will be a point of contact for certain functions/issues.

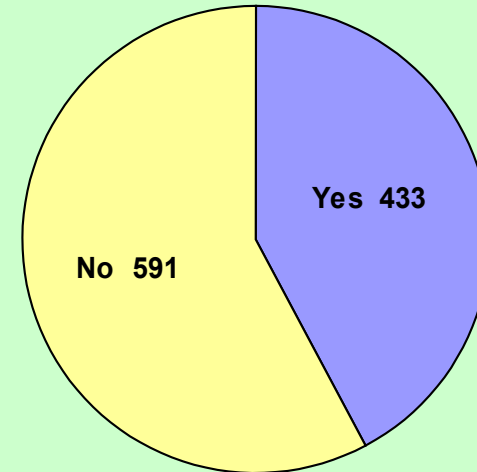


Communication

Q40. If you do know what the Council does, do they do a good job?



Q41. Do you know who your Parish Councillors are?



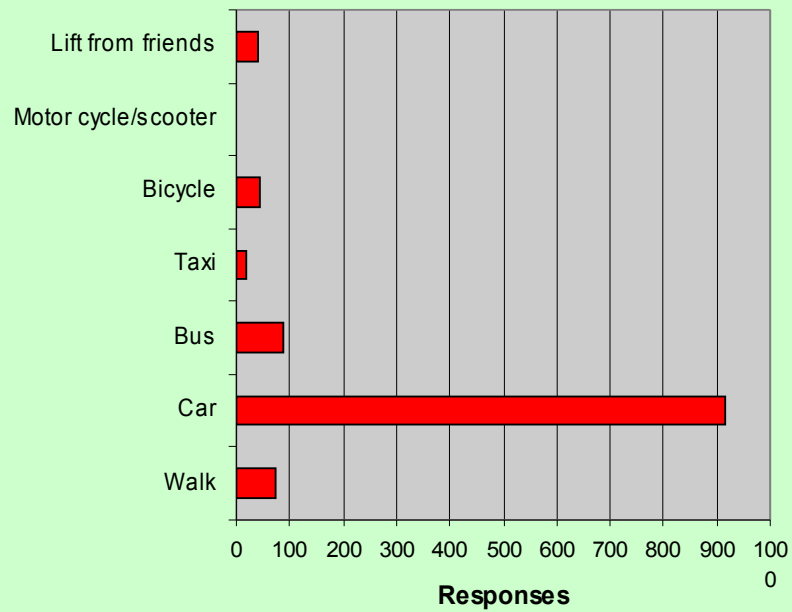
Comment: Over 80% felt that the Parish Council did a good job, but nearly 60% didn't know who the Parish Councillors were.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council** to promote who the Council Members are.

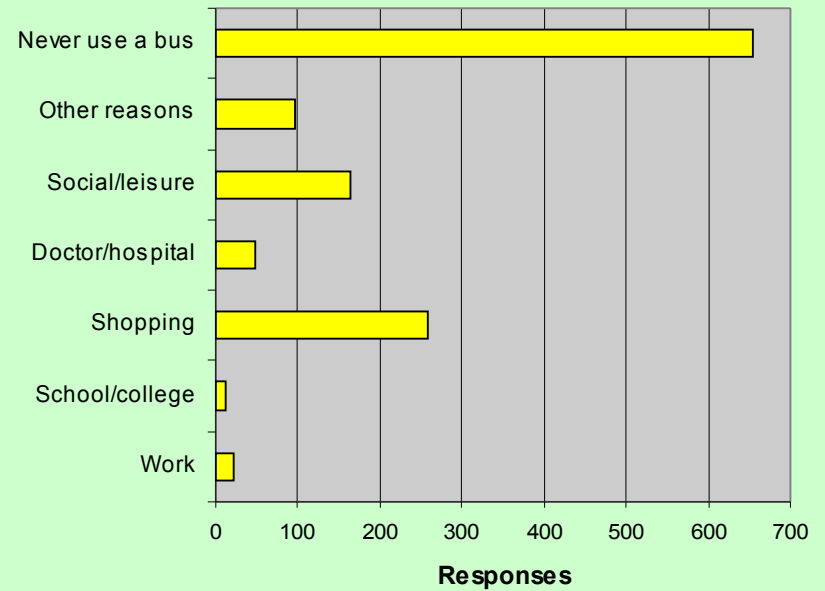


Travel

Q42. What is your main means of transport?



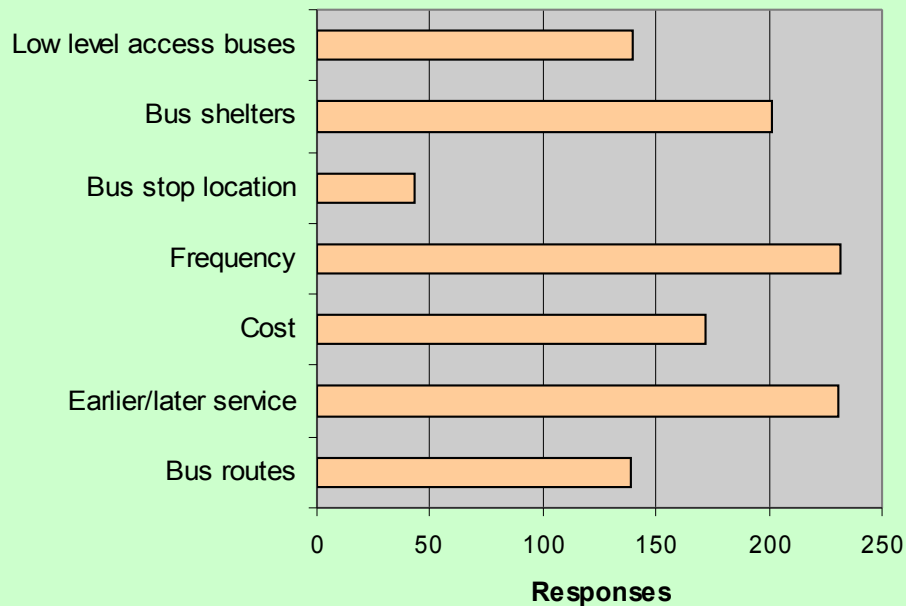
Q43. What do you use the local bus service for?





Travel

Q44. What improvements would you like to see in the bus service?



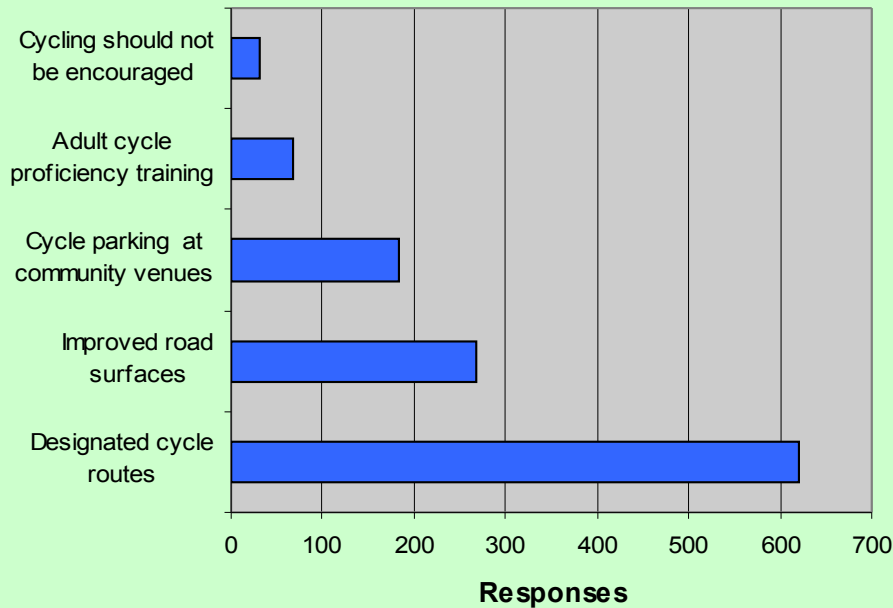
Comment: 40% of those responding would like to see improvements to the frequency of the bus service and for it to have an earlier/later service.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council and SC Public Transport.**



Travel

Q45. How should cycling be encouraged in the Parish?

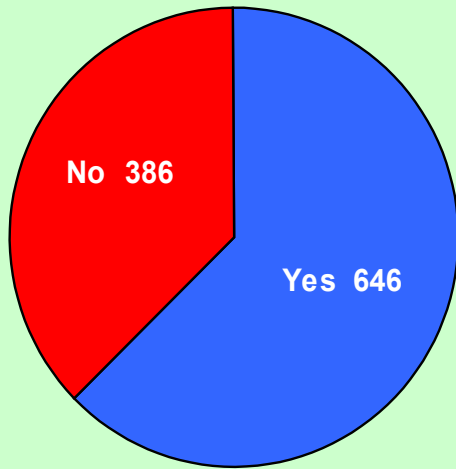


Comment: Just over half the people would wish to see designated cycle routes, nearly a quarter improved road surfaces and 16% better cycle parking.

A high number wanted to see cycle provision between Shawbury and Edgebolton.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council, SAG and SC Transportation.**

Q46. Should the RAF do more to keep the Parish informed and allow community access to facilities?

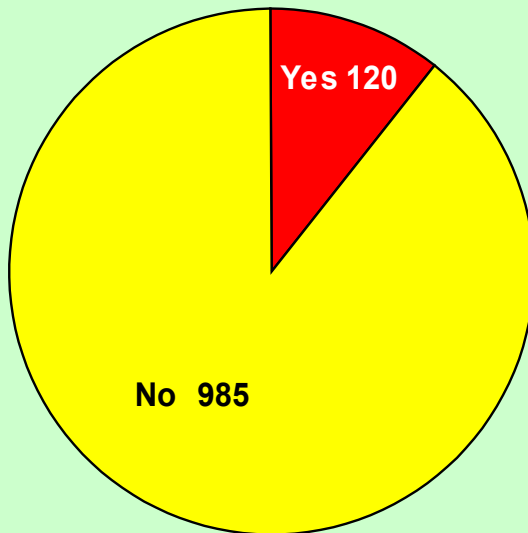


Comment: Nearly two-thirds of people felt that that the RAF should provide more information and community access to their facilities. The RAF have a web site and also representation at the Parish Council.

It is understood that the RAF are seeking to open up some of its facilities.

Action: Results of questionnaire forwarded to RAF Shawbury. No further action.

Q47. Are you concerned by the noise of helicopters?



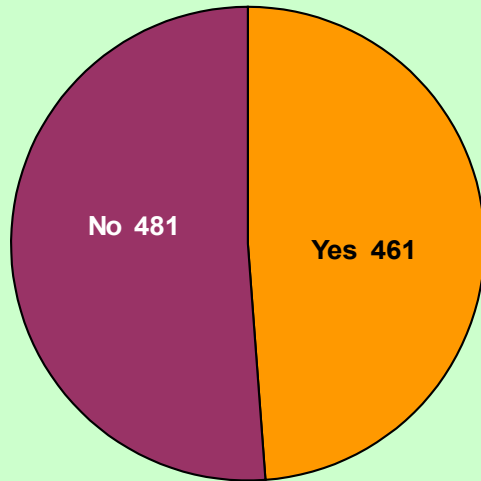
Comment: Nearly 90% of people said they were not concerned about the noise from helicopters. However, it did concern 120 (10%) of people.

Action: Results of questionnaire forwarded to RAF. This particular matter should be referred to the Helicopter Noise Liaison Panel. No further action.

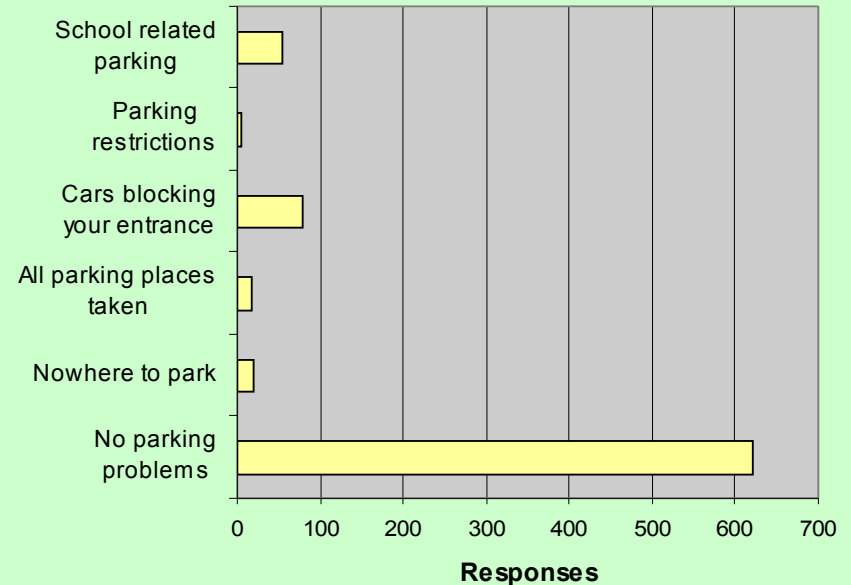


Highways

Q48. Is car parking adequately signed in the Village centre?



Q49. Do you experience parking problems?



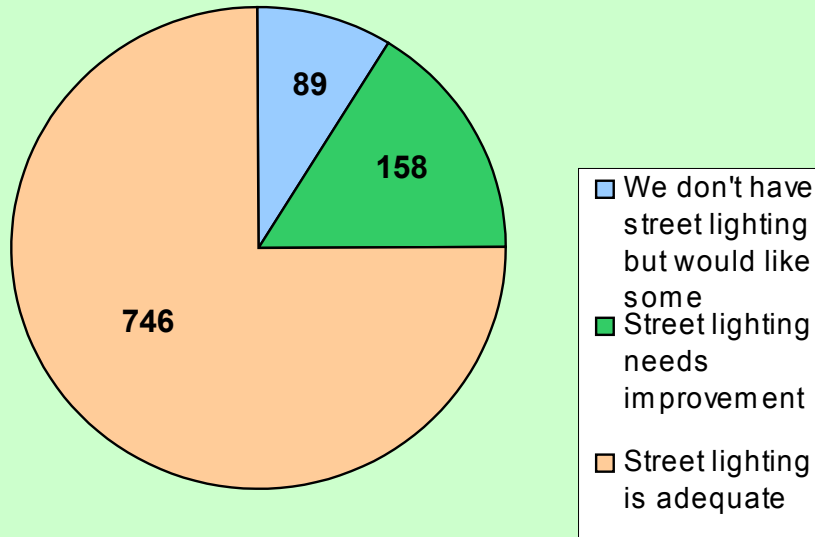
Comment: Just over half the people felt that car parking wasn't adequately signed, and nearly 80% didn't experience parking problems at their home.

Action: Refer signing matter to **Shawbury Parish Council and SC Traffic.**



Highways

Q50. How do you feel about the quality of street lighting where you live?



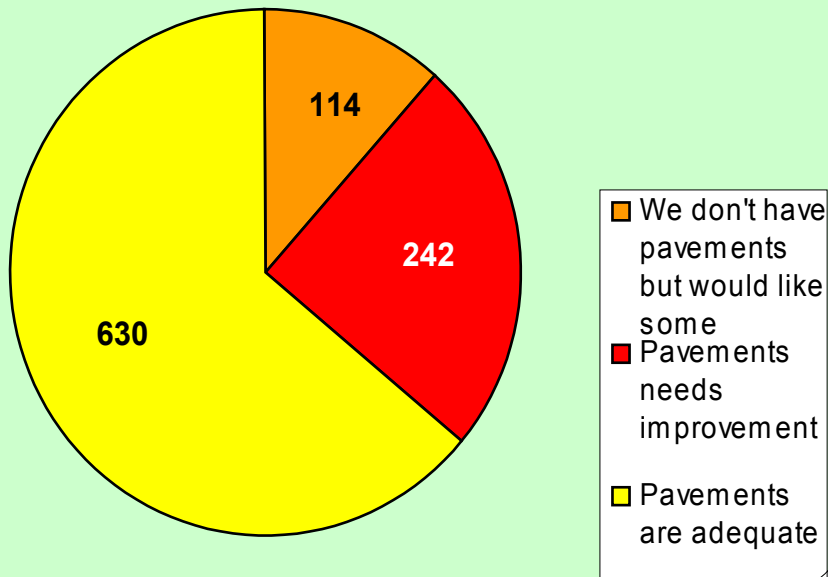
Comment: Three-quarters of people felt the street lighting was adequate. From feedback the remainder would like to see Wem Road (now completed), Bridgeway, A53 Edgebolton and Church Close lit.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council.**



Highways

Q51. How do you feel about the quality of pavements where you live?



Comment: Nearly two-thirds of people felt the pavements were adequate, but a quarter felt they were in need of improvement.

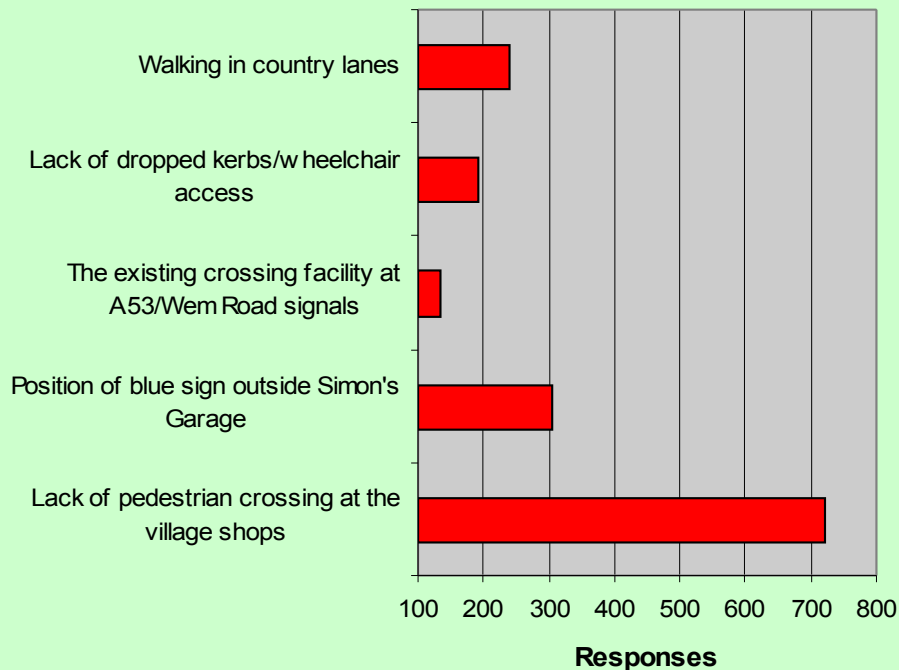
From feedback Church Close was the area of most concern, followed by Church Street and the narrow path by the “Elephant and Castle”.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council, SAG and SC Highways.**



Highways

Q52. What pedestrian issues are a problem?



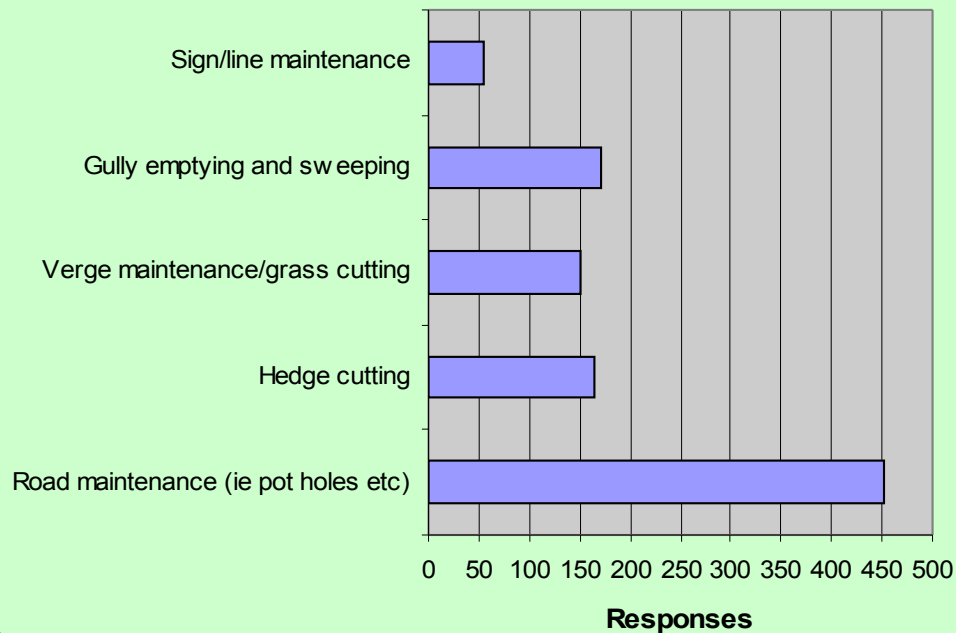
Comment: Almost half the people felt that the lack of a pedestrian crossing at the Village shops was the main area of concern for pedestrians.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council, SAG and SC Traffic.**



Highways

Q53. What areas of highway maintenance are a problem?



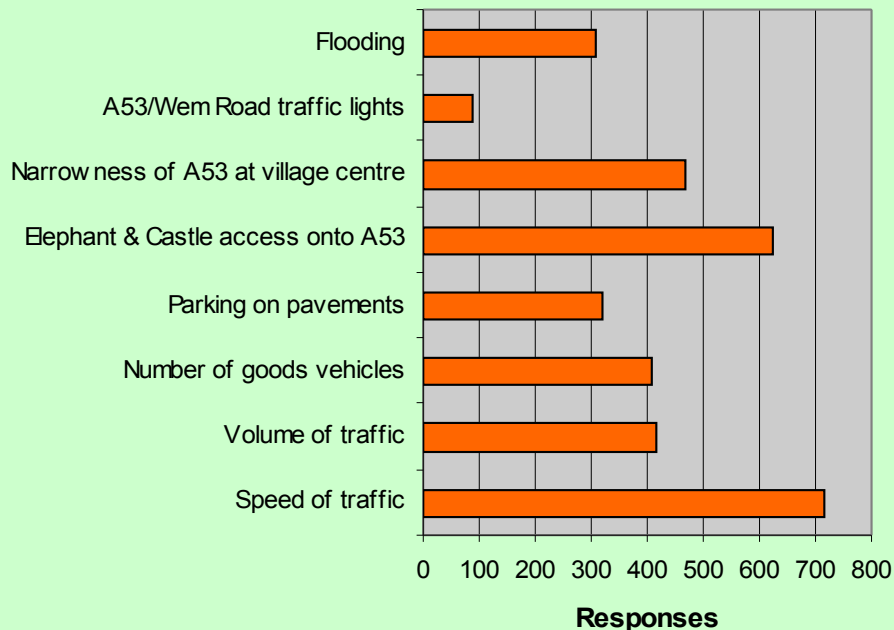
Comment: Almost half the people felt that road maintenance (i.e. pot holes, breaking up of road etc) was the main issue of highway maintenance in the Parish. From feedback the flooding in Church Street was of concern.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council, SAG and SC Highways.**



Highways

Q54. What do you feel are the traffic problems in the Parish?



Comment: When asked about traffic issues generally, the speed of traffic received the most responses from the public.

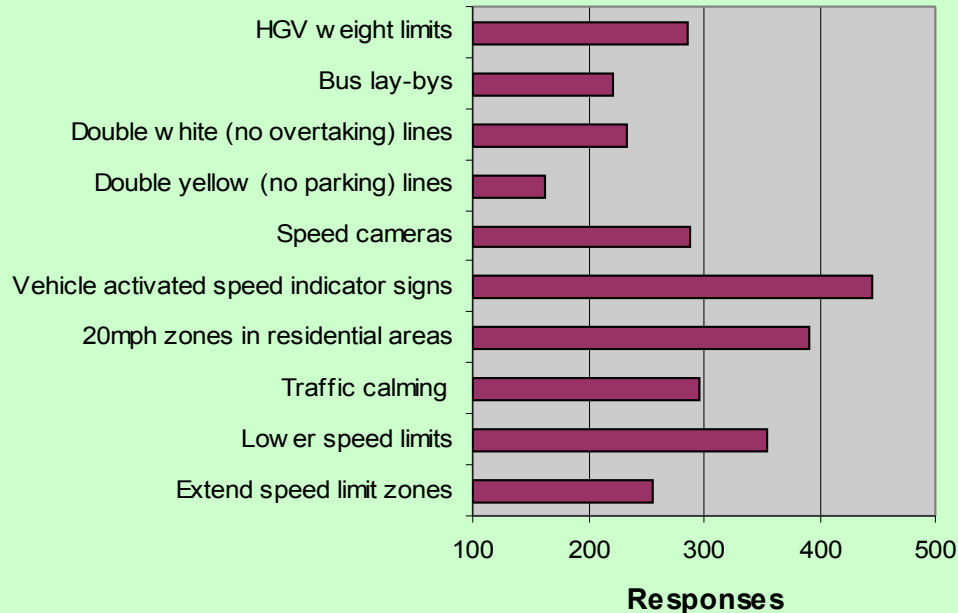
From feedback the issue of flooding on Church Street was again raised.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council, SAG and SC Highways/Traffic.**



Highways

Q55. Which measures would you support to reduce traffic speed and improve safety?



Comment: When asked which measures they would support to reduce traffic speed the most votes were for vehicle activated speed indicator signs, closely followed by 20mph zones, lower speed limits and traffic calming.

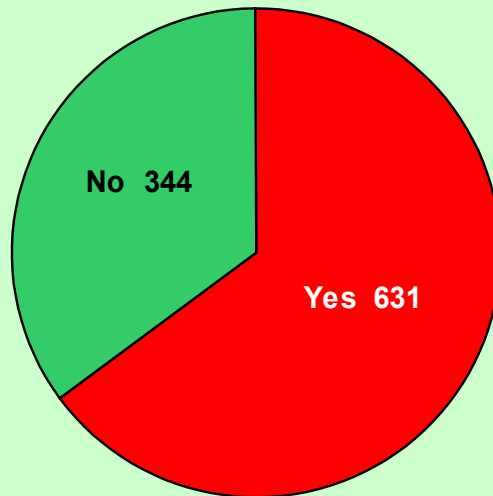
The provision of a by-pass was most mentioned from feedback on this question.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council and SC Traffic.**



Highways

Q56. Would you support a Shawbury by-pass?



Comment: Nearly two-thirds of people supported a Shawbury by-pass.

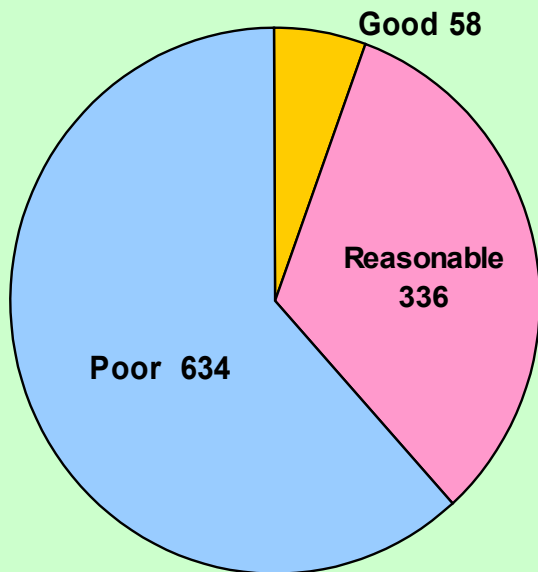
When combining the three priorities for the Parish the provision of a Shawbury by-pass received the third highest response from the community.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council** and **SCC**.



Law and Order

Q57. What do you think about the level of Police presence in the Parish?



Comment: Only 5% felt the Police presence in the Parish to be good. Nearly two-thirds considered it to be poor with the remainder feeling it was reasonable.

When combining the three priorities for the Parish the requirement for more Police/ more Police presence received the highest response from the community.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council and Police.**



Law and Order

Q58. Which crimes and anti-social behaviour make you concerned?	
Vandalism & graffiti	731
Speeding traffic	609
Litter	582
Criminal damage	558
Drug use	449
Intimidation	440
Burglary	381
Drunkenness	365
Car crime	321
Violence	308
Joy-riding	257
Noise pollution from vehicles	229
Mugging	172

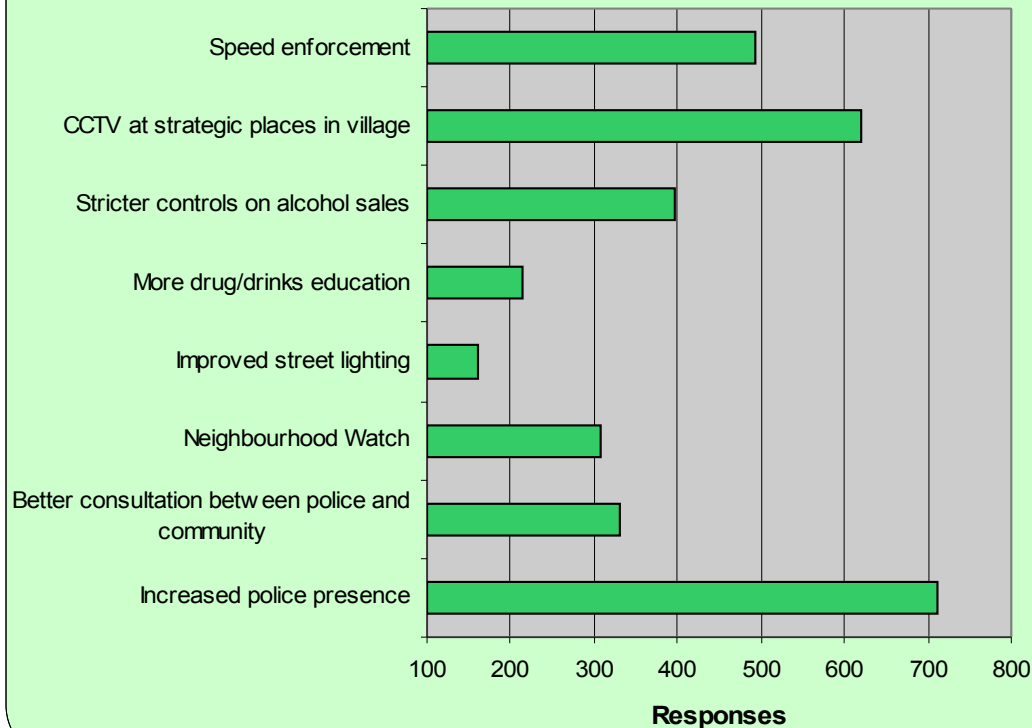
Comment: People were asked which crimes/anti-social behaviour gave them concern. The highest response was vandalism and graffiti with speeding traffic, litter and criminal damage coming a close second. Vandalism/graffiti and criminal damage was considered to be by far the worst feature of the Parish. When combining the three priorities for the Parish the issue of vandalism received the second highest responses from the community._

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council and Police.**



Law and Order

Q59. What measures are needed to maintain law and order



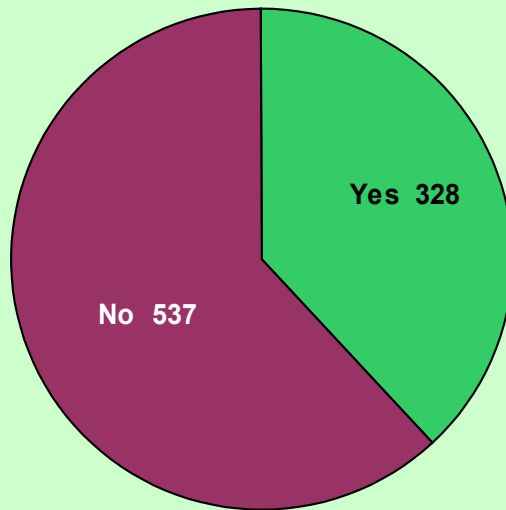
Comment: When asked what measures were needed nearly a quarter of people wanted to see an increase in the police presence and a fifth wanted to see CCTV introduced. Speed enforcement, stricter control on the sale of alcohol and better consultation with the public each obtained 10-15% of responses.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council and Police.**



Law and Order

Q60. Are there any areas in the parish you feel unsafe?



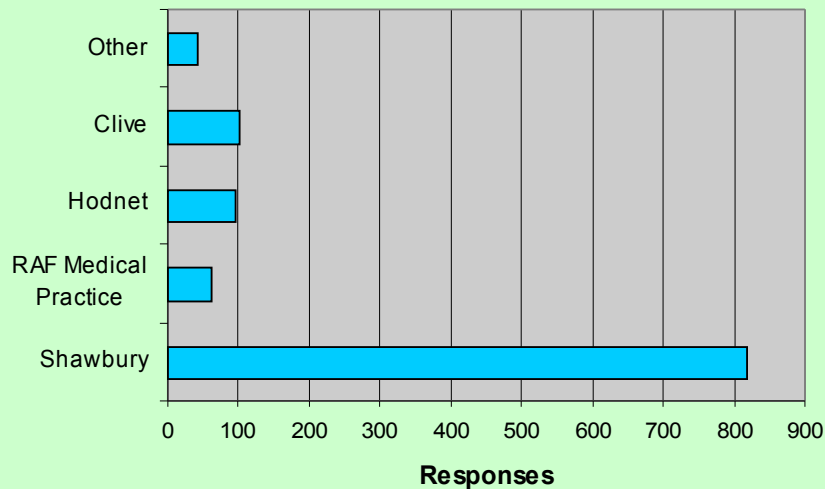
Comment: Nearly 40% said there were areas of the Parish where they felt unsafe. From the feedback received by far the most mentioned area was around the Village Hall, car parks, playing field and church/cemetery.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council and Police.**



Health Care

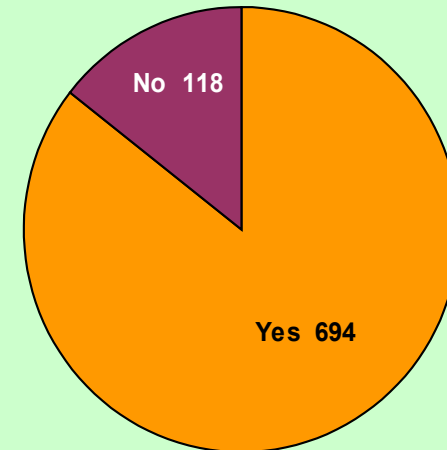
Q61. Which medical practice are you registered with?



Comment: Nearly 75% of the Parish is registered with the Shawbury Medical Centre.

Action: Results forwarded to Shawbury Medical Centre.
No further action.

Q62. If registered at Shawbury are you happy with opening hours?

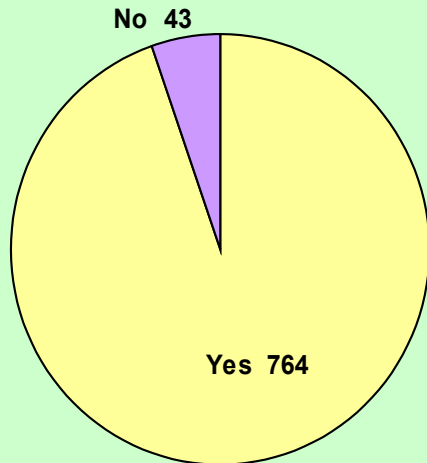


Comment: 86% are happy with the opening hours of the Shawbury Medical Centre.



Health Care

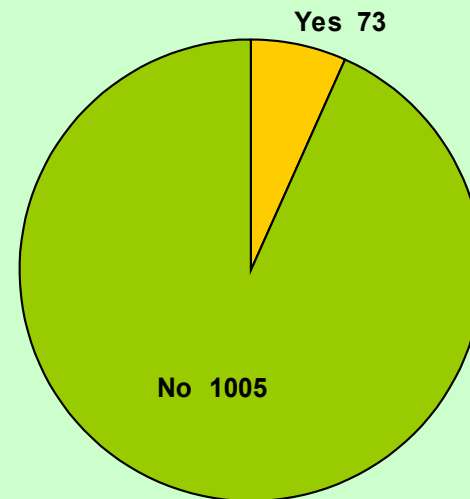
Q63. Do you find it easy to get to Shawbury Medical Centre for treatment, prescriptions and consultation?



Comment: 95% find it easy to get to the Shawbury Medical Centre for treatment, prescriptions or consultations.

Action: Results forwarded to Shawbury Medical Centre.
No further action.

Q64. Do you have difficulty in getting to local hospitals?

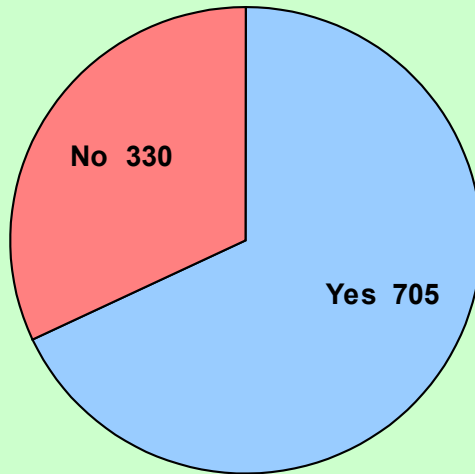


Comment: 93% do not experience difficulty getting to local hospitals.



Health Care

Q65. Are you aware of the "Walking for Health" scheme in the village?



Comment: Over two-thirds were aware of the "Walking for Health" scheme recently introduced in the village.

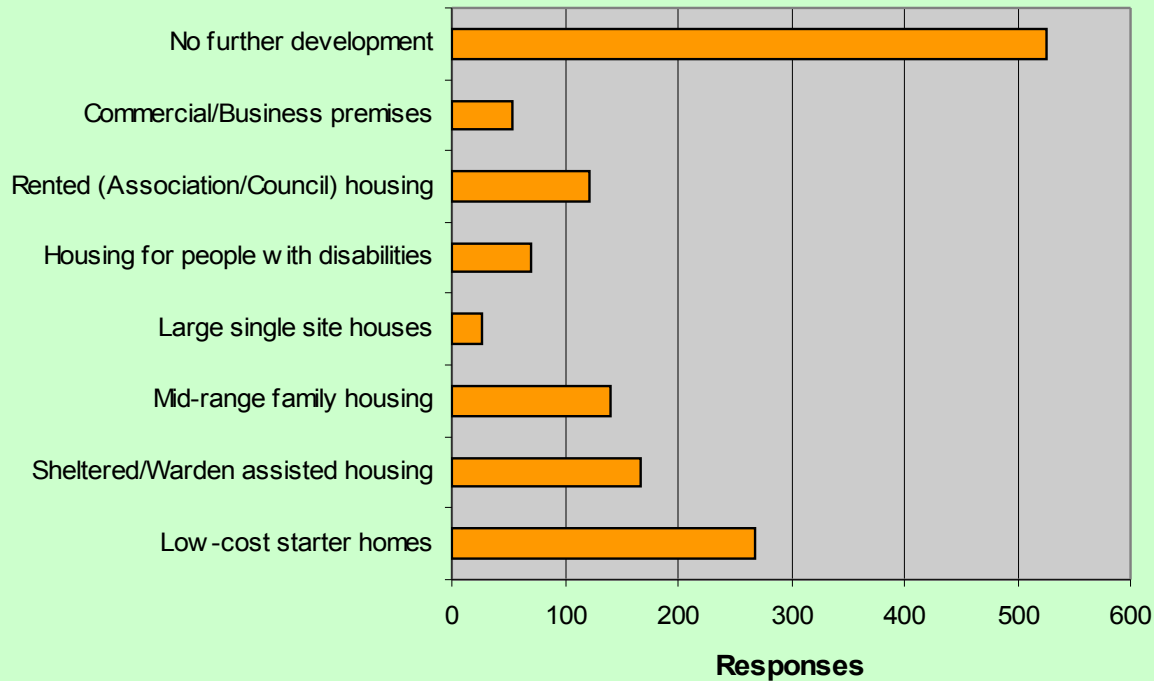
Action: Results forwarded to Shawbury Medical Centre and Shropshire Council's Countryside Access. No further action.





Environment

Q66. What type of development would you like to see in the Parish?



Comment: The highest response (38%) was for no further development.

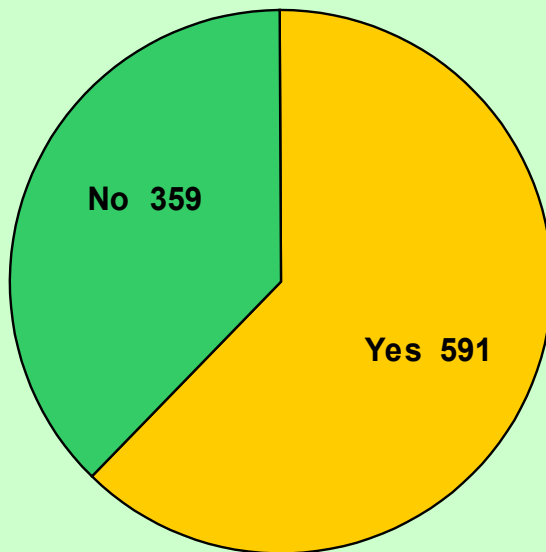
A fifth of people wanted to see low-cost starter homes.

Action: Refer to Shawbury Parish Council and Local Councillors.



Environment

Q67. Is there a litter/rubbish problem in the Parish?



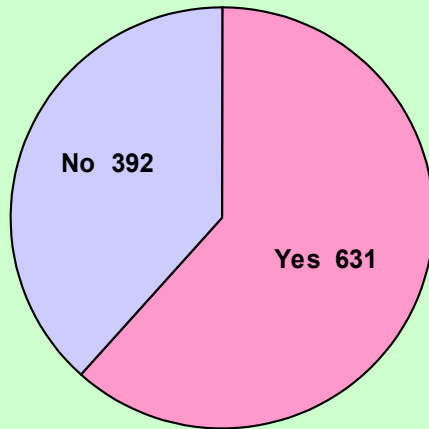
Comment: Nearly two thirds of people felt that litter/rubbish was a problem within the Parish. When combining the three priorities for the Parish, the issue of litter received the eighth (joint) highest response from the community.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council and SAG.**



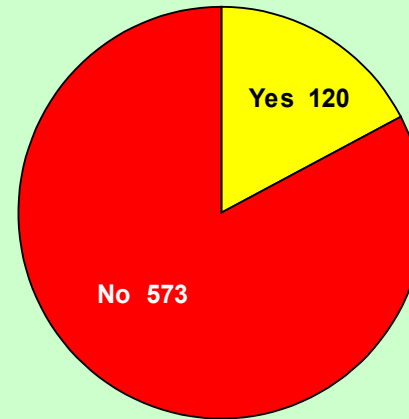
Environment

Q68. Do you use public rights of way within the Parish?



Comment: Nearly two thirds said they use the public rights of way. further development.

Q69. Do you experience problems using public rights of way?



Comment: Nearly a fifth said they experience problems (i.e. overgrown, signage etc). Consultations between Parish Council and Shropshire Council about the

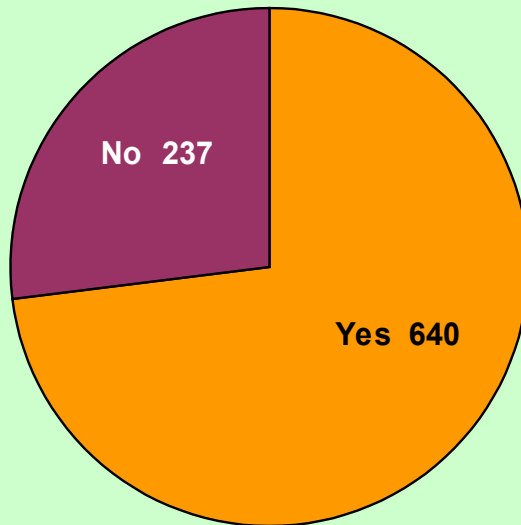
Parish Paths Partnership are ongoing.

Action: Refer to Shawbury Parish Council and Shropshire Council's Countryside Access. Set up SAG.



Environment

Q70. Would you like to see more circular walks around the Parish?



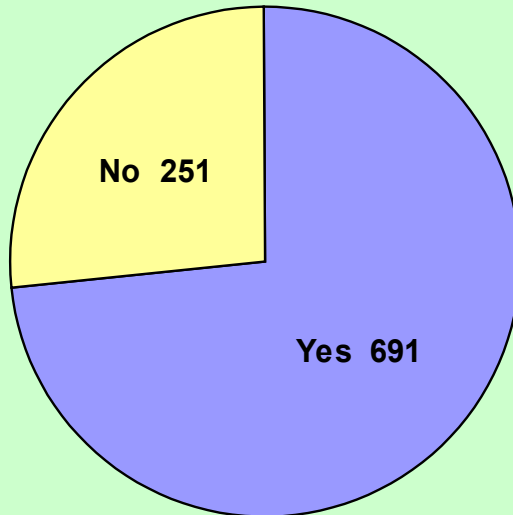
Comment: Nearly three quarters of those responding said that they would like to see circular walks around the Parish.

Action: Set up SAG. Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council and Shropshire Council's Countryside Access.**



Environment

Q71. Would you like to see more landscaping around the village?



Comment: Nearly three quarters of those responding said that they would like to see landscaping (i.e. trees, planting shrubs etc) around the village.

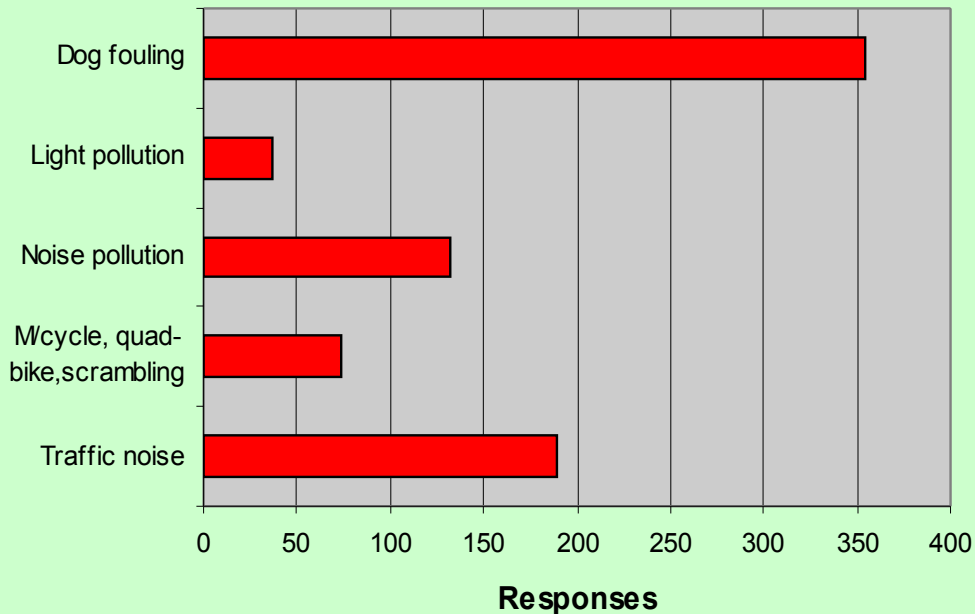
Landscaping and seating need to be considered together.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council.**



Environment

Q72. Do you suffer from disturbance



Comment: When asked what types of disturbance people suffer from, nearly half stated dog fouling. Dog mess was mentioned quite regularly in the questionnaire returns. Traffic noise accounted for a quarter of all responses.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council** and **Shropshire Council**.



Environment



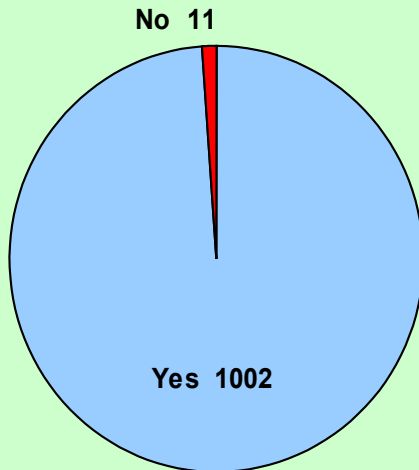
Comment: When asked for additional suggestions to the improvements proposed to the Moat, the main response was to make it vandal proof. Seating, park for children, better walkways and a riverside walk were amongst a number of suggestions received.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council and Shawbury Moat Project Group.**



Environment

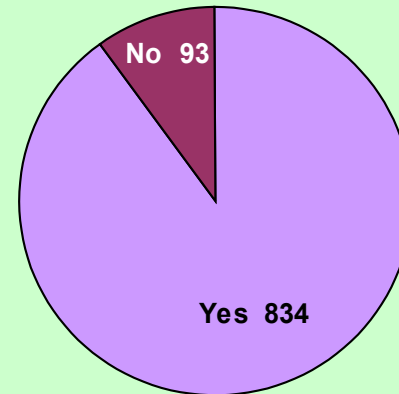
Q74. Should the Moat/Recreation ground always remain as public open space?



Comment: 99% wanted the Moat and recreation ground to remain as open space for public use.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council.**

Q75. Would you like to see the field between the Recreation Ground and river obtained and maintained for public use?

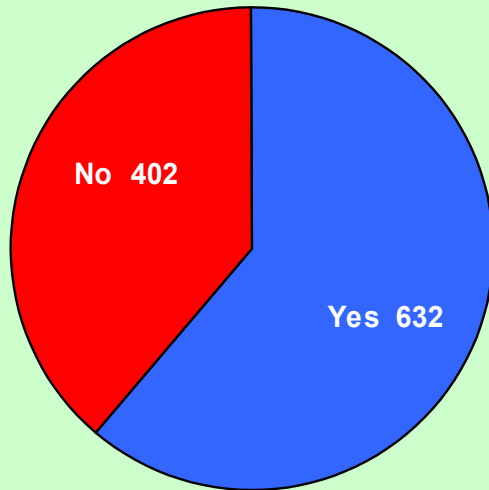


Comment: 90% would like to see the field behind the Glebelands obtained and maintained for public use.

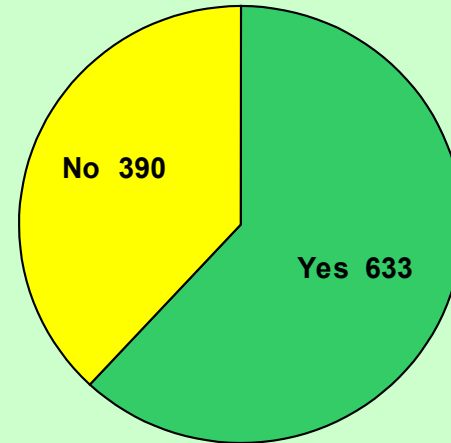


Environment

Q76. Would you like to see household waste collected weekly?



Q77. Would you like to see green waste collected more regularly, particularly during the summer?



Comment: Nearly two thirds of people wanted to see their household and green waste collected weekly.

Action: Forward information to Shropshire Waste Partnership.

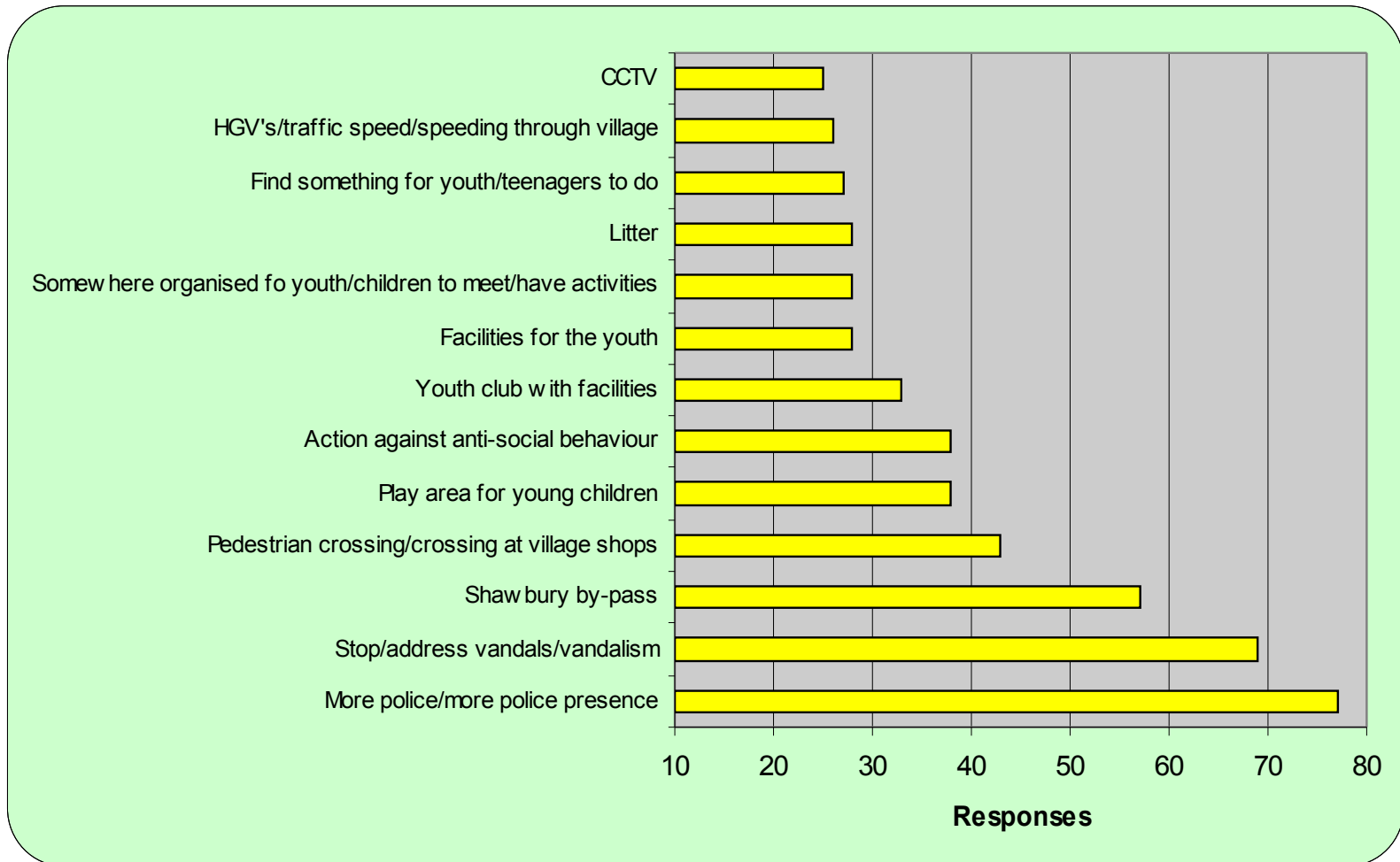
Shawbury Parish's best feature

- 1st Local facilities/Shops
- 2nd Church
- 3rd Close knit/sense of community/community spirit
/friendly/helpful/pride/people
- 4th Village Hall
- 5th Post Office
- 6th Moat area
- 7th The Village/village life
- 8th RAF Shawbury
- 9th Countryside/views/open space
- 10th River

Shawbury Parish's worst feature

- 1st Vandalism/graffiti/criminal damage
- 2nd Railings around the Village Hall
- 3rd Gangs of youths congregating/hanging around
- 4th Litter
- 5th Volume of traffic/busy main road through centre
- 6th (joint) Youth have no respect for property/people (anti-social behaviour) and derelict Fox & Hounds PH
- 8th The POD
- 9th Lack of facilities for the youth
- 10th Boarded up windows of the Village Hall

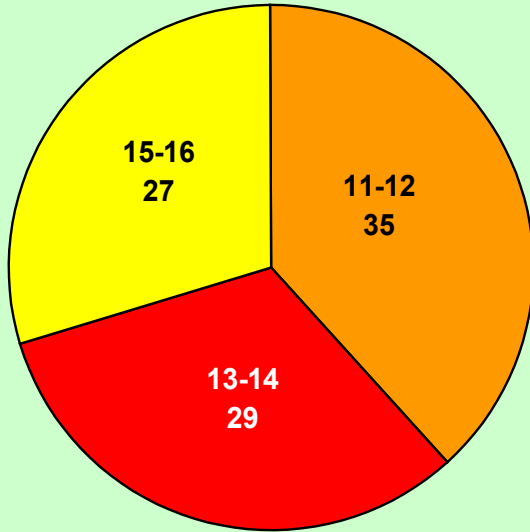
The main priorities for the Parish



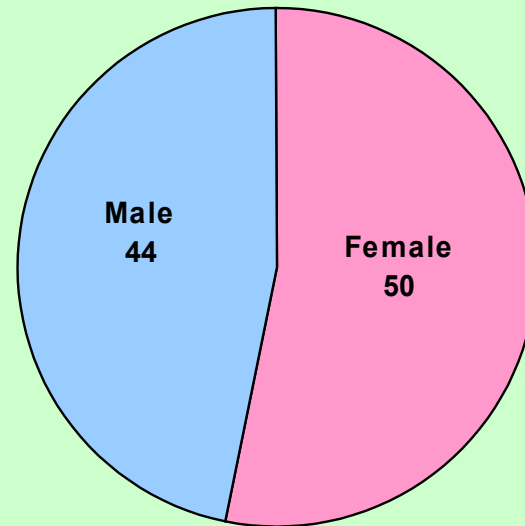


Youth (Ages 11 -16 only)

Q1. How old are you?



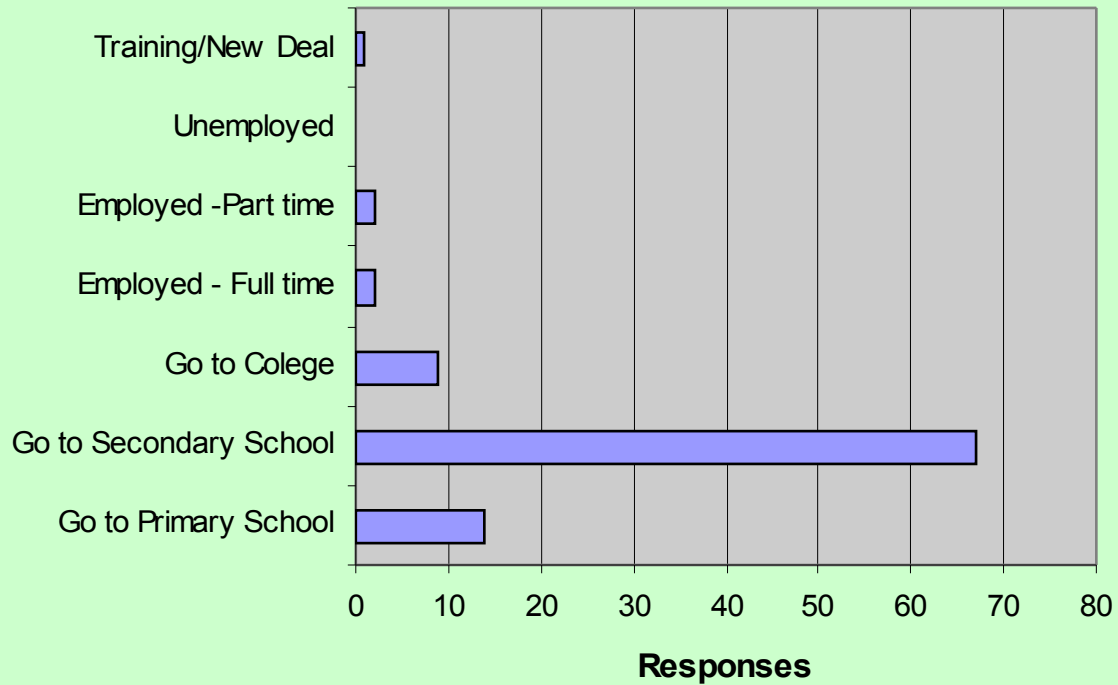
Q2. What gender are you?





Youth (Ages 11 -16 only)

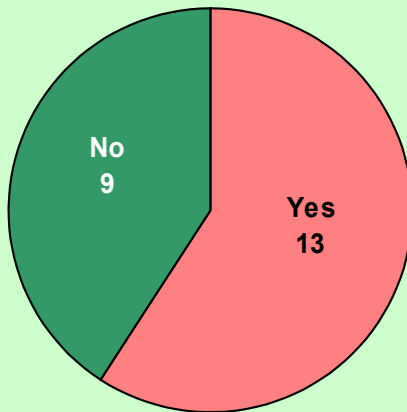
Q3. What do you do?



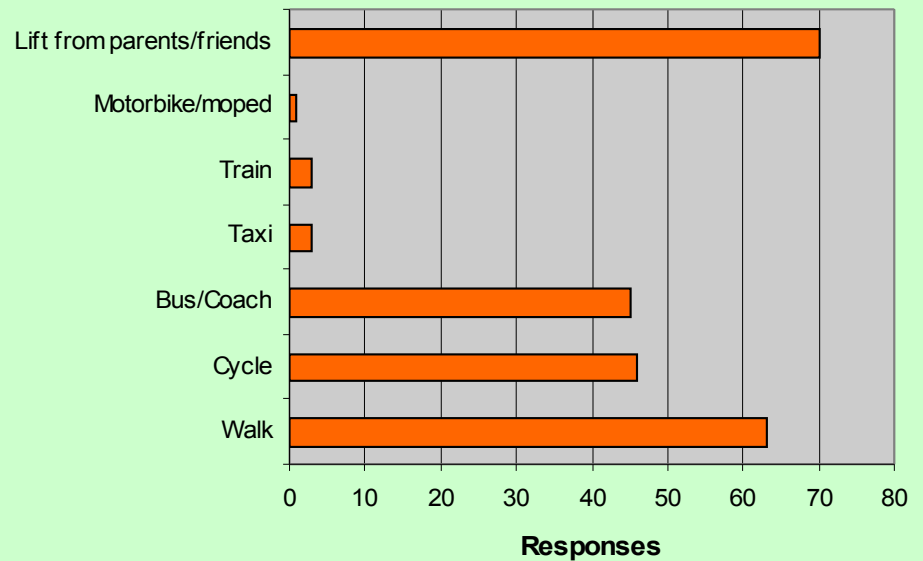


Youth (Ages 11 -16 only)

Q4. If you have left education, have you received support/advice on training, apprenticeships, first jobs?



Q5. How do you get around?





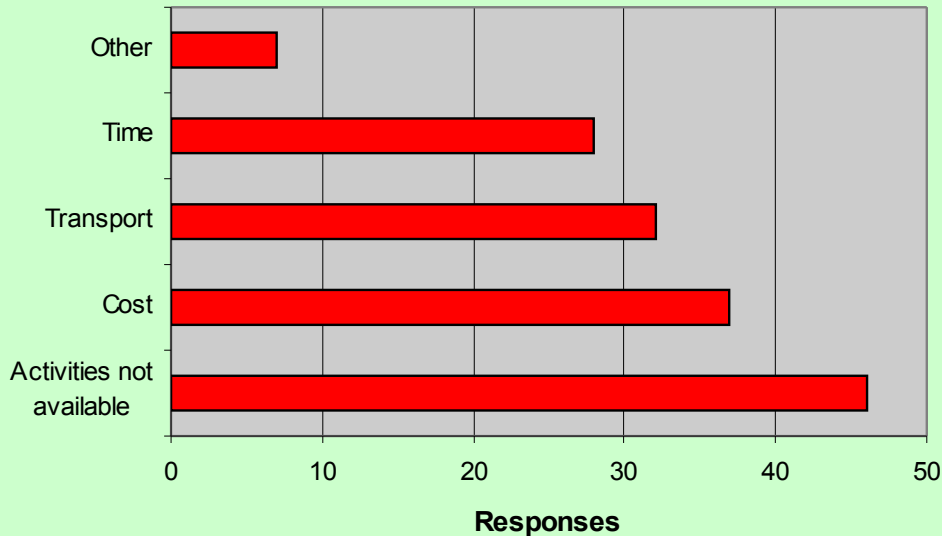
Youth (Ages 11 -16 only)

Q6. What do you do in your spare time?	
Watch TV/use computer at home	76
Meet friends outdoors	65
Visit cinema, 10 pin bowling etc	54
Shopping elsewhere	51
Meet friends indoors	50
Organised sports activities	36
Telford Ice Rink	18
Shopping in Shawbury	17
Visit library	17
Informal outdoor activities (ie BMX, skateboarding)	15
Scouts, guides etc	14
Other	12
Meet with friends at the youth pod	11
Shrewsbury Sports Village	8
Cruising in car	6
Church/religious activities	5
Pub/Club	3



Youth (Ages 11 -16 only)

Q7. What stops you from doing activities that you want to do?



Comment: There is an number of reasons that stop the youth from doing other activities. The reason which accounted for nearly a third of the responses received was that the activities are not available.

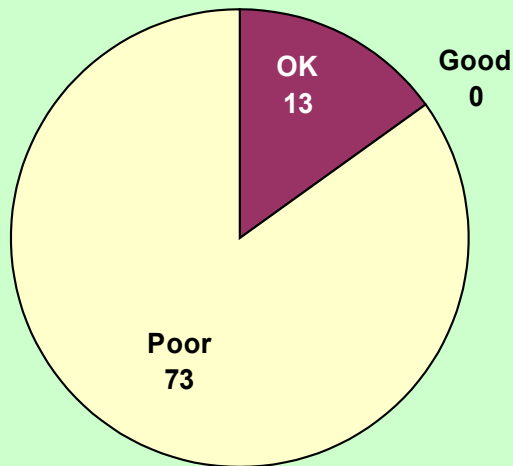
Could the youth be transported to facilities? Is financial assistance/grants available? The RAF provided access to Youth group to use facilities and it is understood that the RAF are seeking to develop this further.

Action: Refer to Shawbury Parish Council and Youth Service.

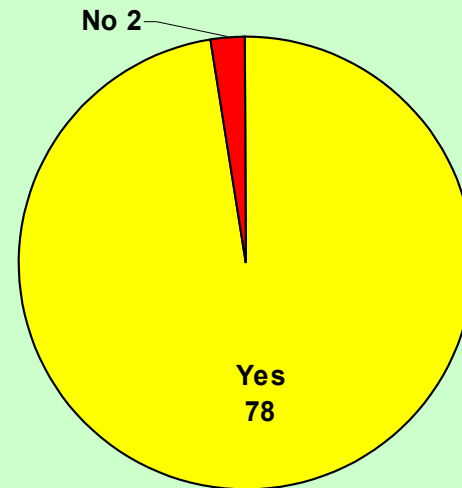


Youth (Ages 11 -16 only)

Q8. What do you think of the play/recreation areas in the village?



Q9. Do you think we need more play areas with better equipment?

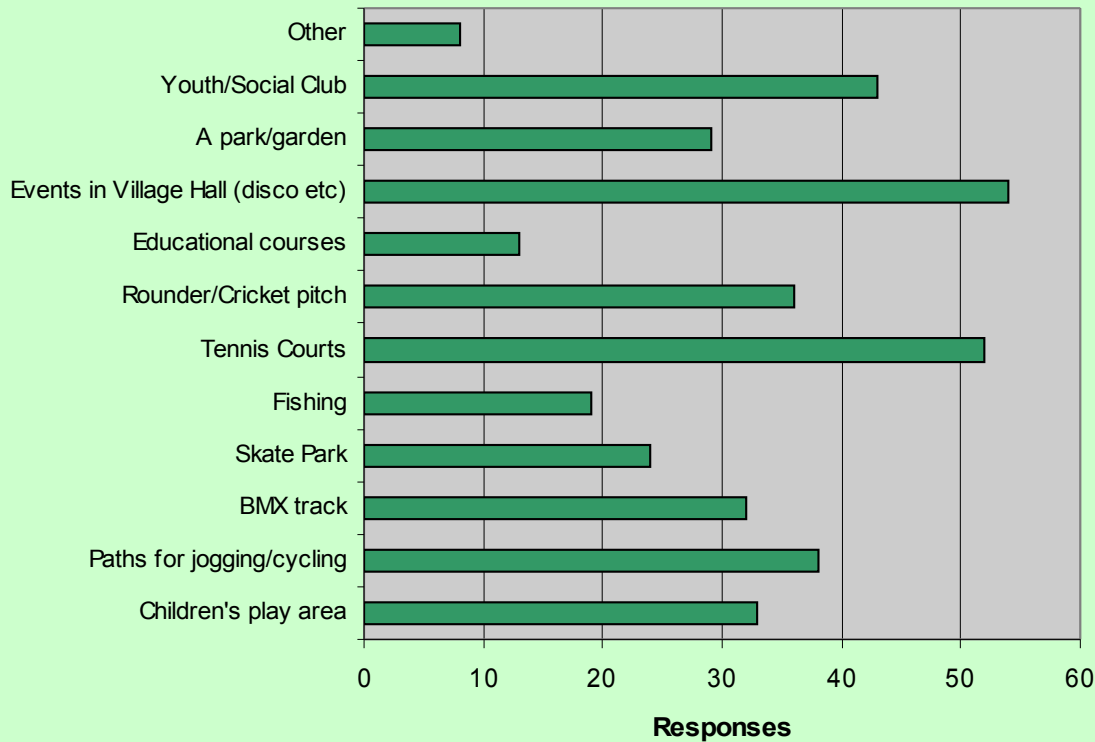


Comment: Most (85%) thought that the play/recreation areas in the village were poor, and 98% said there was a need for more play areas and better equipment .
Action: A new playground is to be provided through the Shawbury Action Group and a new high-tech POD provided by the Parish Council. Forward information to Shawbury Parish Council and Youth Service.



Youth (Ages 11 -16 only)

Q10. What activities would you use if we had them?



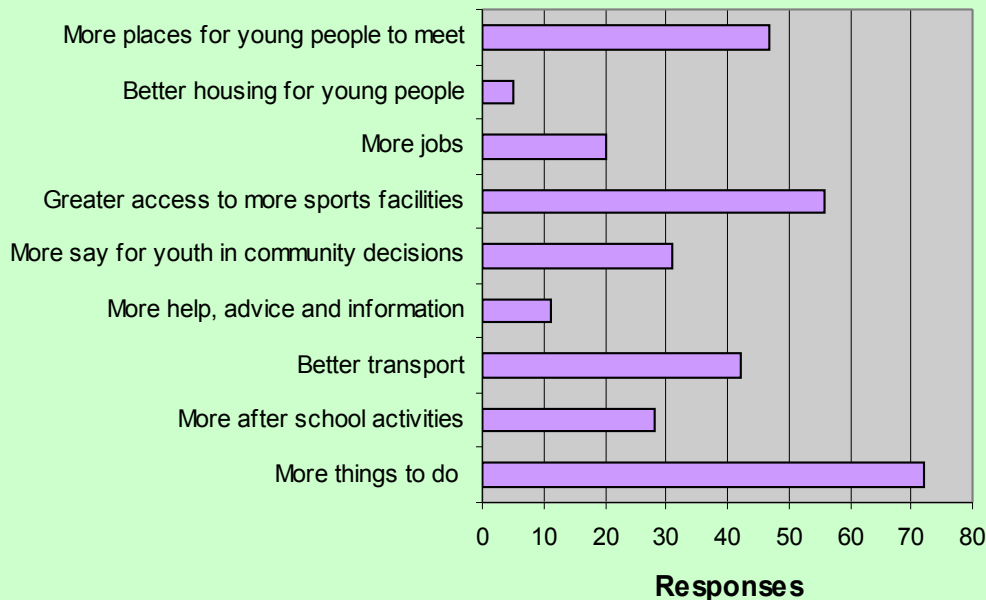
Comment: We asked the youth to choose from a number of activities and we received a wide selection of responses. The highest response with 14% was events in the Village Hall. This was closely followed by tennis courts, youth/ social club, and paths for jogging and cycling. The Parish Council are seeking to introduce a dirt BMX track. Fishing in local ponds has also been arranged.

Action: Forward information to Shawbury Parish Council and Youth Service.



Youth (Ages 11 -16 only)

Q11. What would make Shawbury better for young people?



Comment: When asked what would make Shawbury better for young people, nearly a quarter (23%) said “more things to do”, followed by greater access to sports facilities, more places for young people to meet and better transport.

Action: Refer to Shawbury Parish Council and Youth Service.



Youth (Ages 11 -16 only)

Comment: The youth were asked what cause you a problem or worries you. We received a wide selection of responses, that which received the highest response with 10% each was groups of people hanging around and being bored and having nothing to do. This was closely followed by vandalism/graffiti and dogs/dog mess.

Action: Forward information to Shawbury Parish Council and Youth Service.

Q12. What causes you a problem or worries you?	
Being bored, having nothing to do	54
Groups of people hanging around	52
Dogs and dog mess	45
Vandalism and graffiti	44
Traffic/speeding	32
Not enough foot/cycle paths	31
Being hassled by older children	31
Being offered cigarettes, alcohol or drugs	31
Poor street lighting	23
Your property damaged or stolen	21
School/college work and exams	21
Litter in the street	19
Being bullied, not at school	19
Being hassled by adults	18
The youth pod	17
Being physically attacked	17
Joy-riders	17
Being bullied/teased at school	14
Excessive noise	8
Unemployment	6
Health and disability issues	3



Youth – Shawbury Parish's best and worst features

Best:

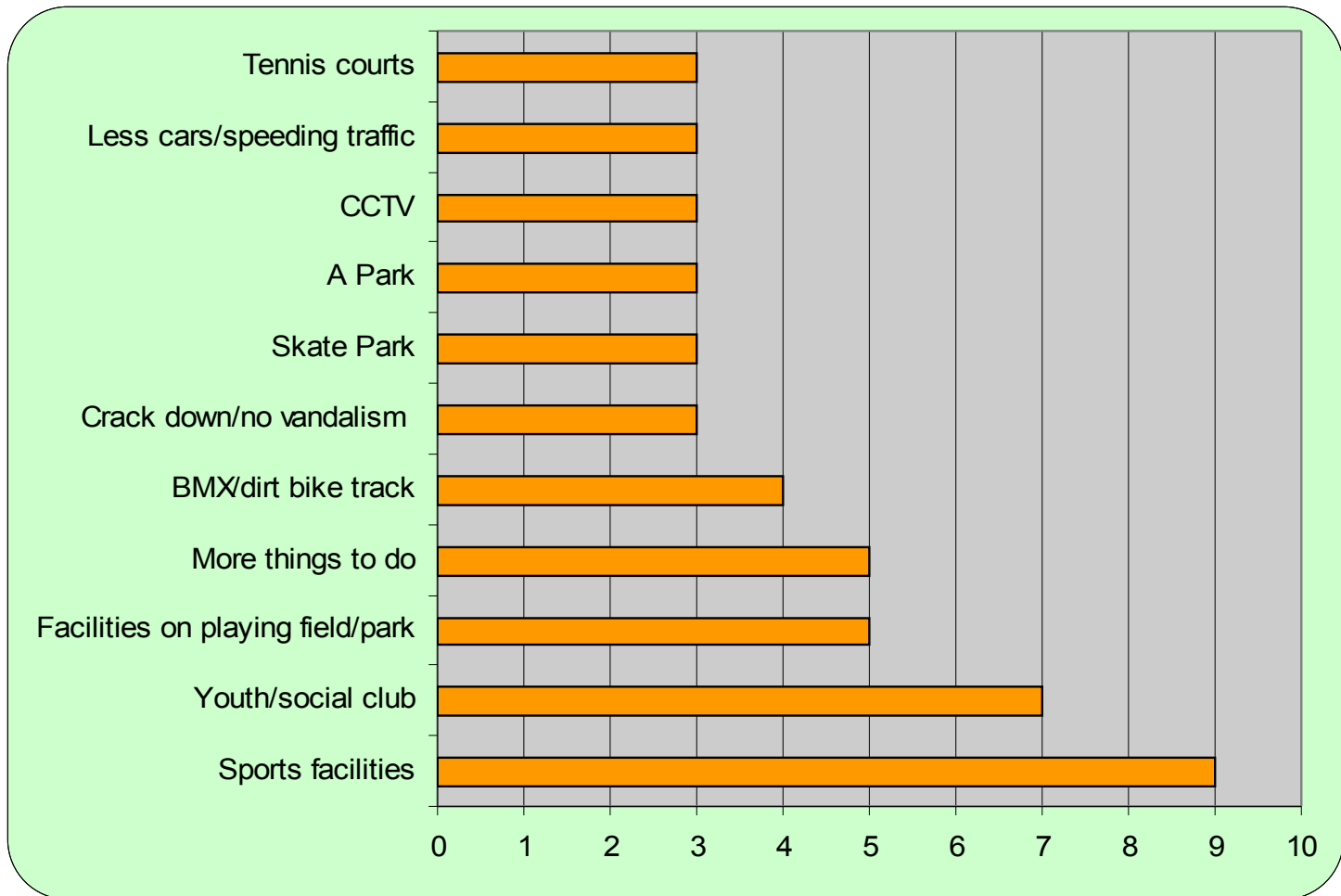
- 1st Library
- 2nd (joint) Shops, Moat and Football field/pitch
- 5th (joint) Playing field and Chip shop/takeaways

Worst:

- 1st Youths hanging around
- 2nd Vandalism/vandals
- 3rd (joint) The POD and nothing to do
- 5th (joint) Kids at the POD and the Playing field



Youth - The main priorities for the Parish





Children (POD surveys in schools)

The POD surveys were enjoyed by the children of St. Mary's Primary and Shawbury Primary Schools. Not all the pods were fully used and as such one is not able to extract exact percentages. The important thing to take out of this survey is the overall trends:-

- ❖ Most of the children live in Shawbury, but that St. Mary's has a significant number from the RAF base, Stanton, Moreton Corbet and further a field. Shawbury Primary tends to be two-thirds Shawbury with the remaining from further a field. Perhaps this serves to emphasise the large catchment area which the schools have.



Children (POD surveys in schools)

- ❖ What children liked to do varied between age groups but it was either games or being around a friend's house. It was noticeable that one group particularly liked swimming and that very few frequented the local clubs (brownies, cubs etc) - Perhaps these latter areas need to be explored further?
- ❖ As to where they go to play, for most it was home, garden or friend's house with very few using the playing field or pod by the village hall, probably the latter because they were too young.



Children (POD surveys in schools)

- ❖ One of the most useful questions was “are there things you can't do because you can't get to them”. A significant number said yes there were things such as swimming, judo, karate, dancing, ice skating.
- ❖ As one might expect in a rural community, the car is the main mode of transport to get to places, although walking and cycling are mentioned.
- ❖ A high proportion felt safe riding their bikes.
- ❖ On the issue of litter, a significant number felt that Shawbury wasn't clean and tidy. (Shawbury Primary School undertook a litter pick shortly after the survey)



Children (POD surveys in schools)

- ❖ On the issue of safety, most felt less safe around quiet streets and around the Village Hall. A couple of groups containing the youngest (6/7 year olds) actually felt less safe at another school – It is understood that this was possibly to do with them moving around classes?
- ❖ The response from children on how they got to school and how long it took were interesting. Most were taken by car although older children from Shawbury Primary tended to walk. For most it took less than 5 minutes, but there was still a proportion that took 5-15 minutes. The tendency seems to be that parents are dropping children off on their way to work, even though it would only be a few minutes walk. It is possible that this is a matter of security.



Children (POD surveys in schools)

Finally, and with regards to what new thing the children would like to see in Shawbury.

This was clearly a bike track followed by a park with more play equipment.

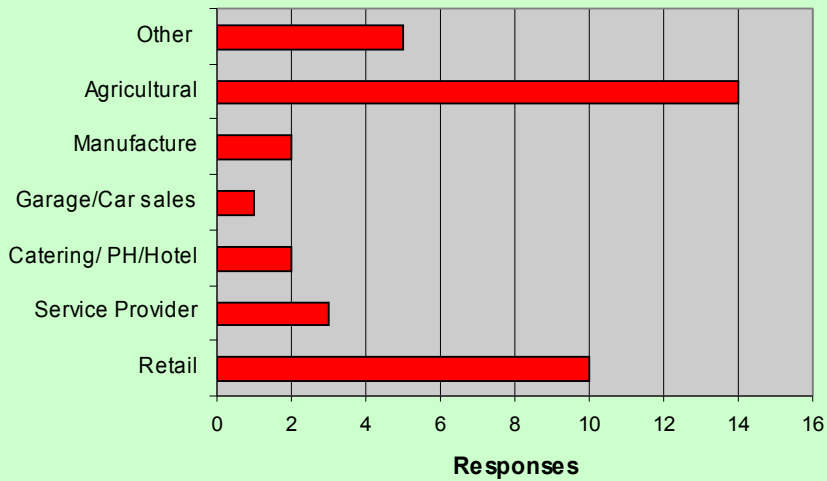
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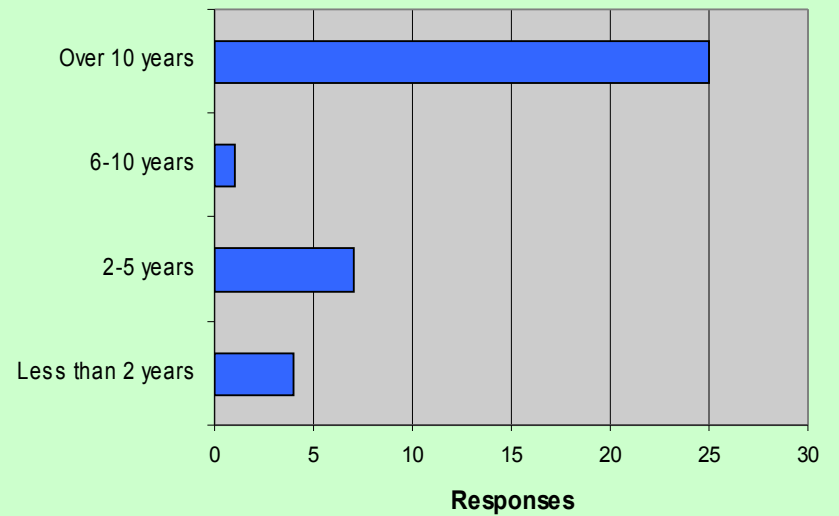


Business

Q1. What type of business are you?



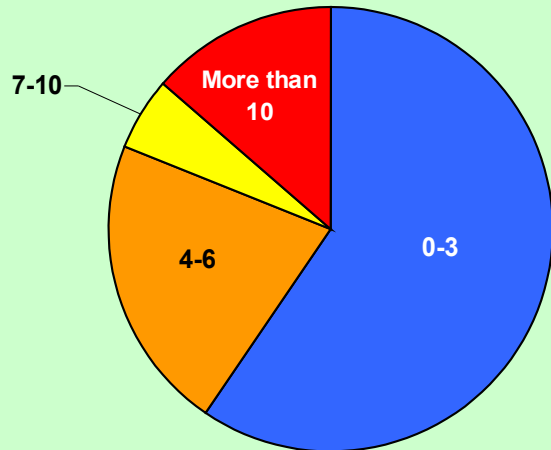
Q2. How long has your business been in the Parish?



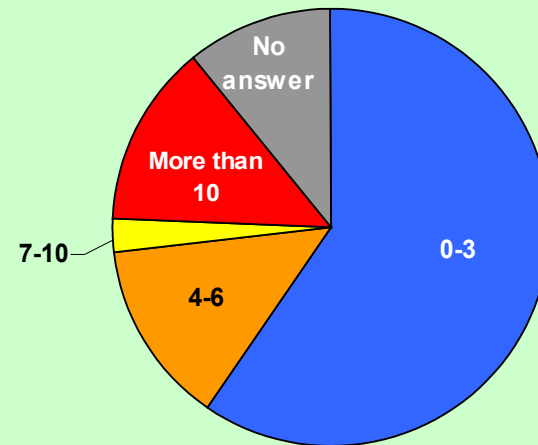


Business

Q3. How many full time employees do you have?



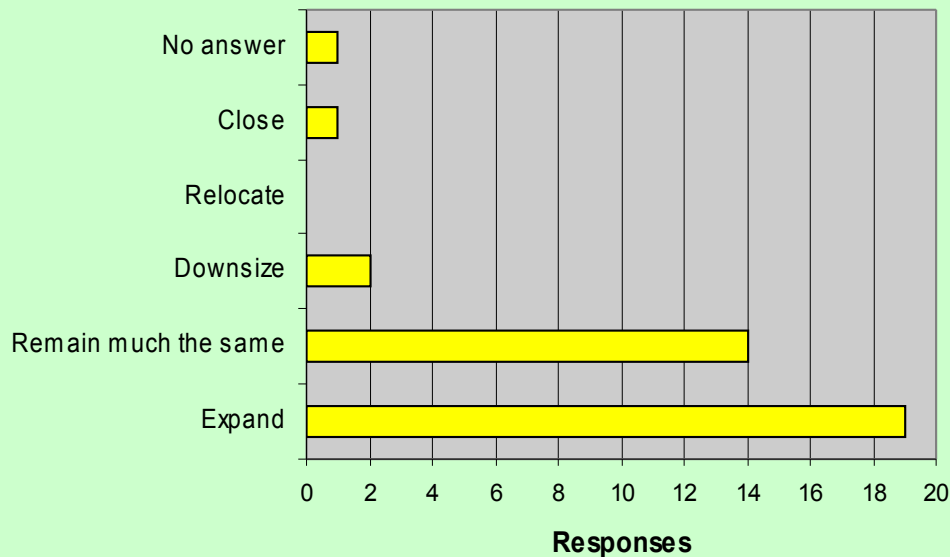
Q4. How many part time employees do you have?





Business

Q5. In the next 5 years I plan my business to?



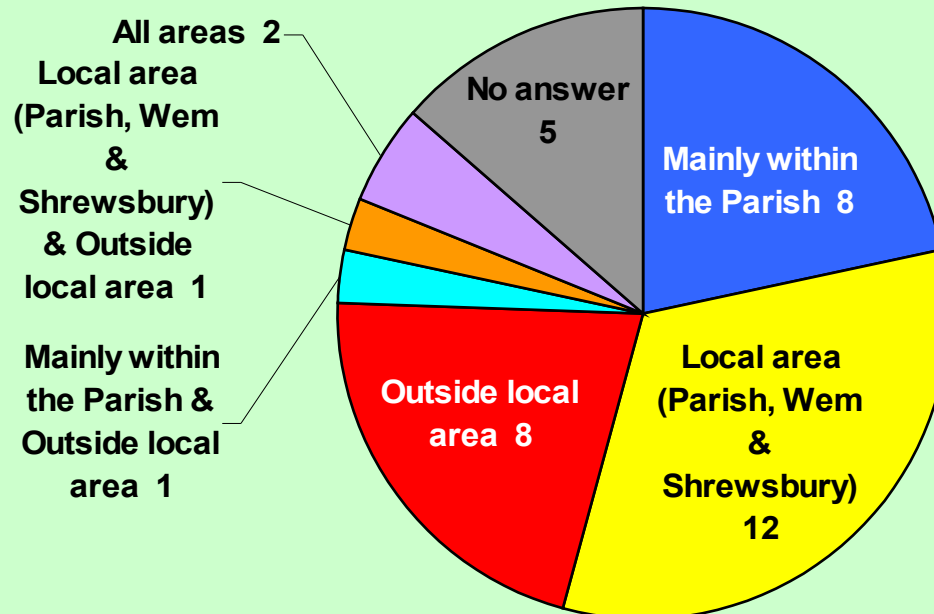
Comment: Over a third of agricultural businesses planned to expand whereas nearly two thirds (61%) planned to so. Overall this equates to just over half (53%) of businesses wishing to expand with 39% looking to remain much the same. New and expanded businesses need to be encouraged in the Parish.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council**.



Business

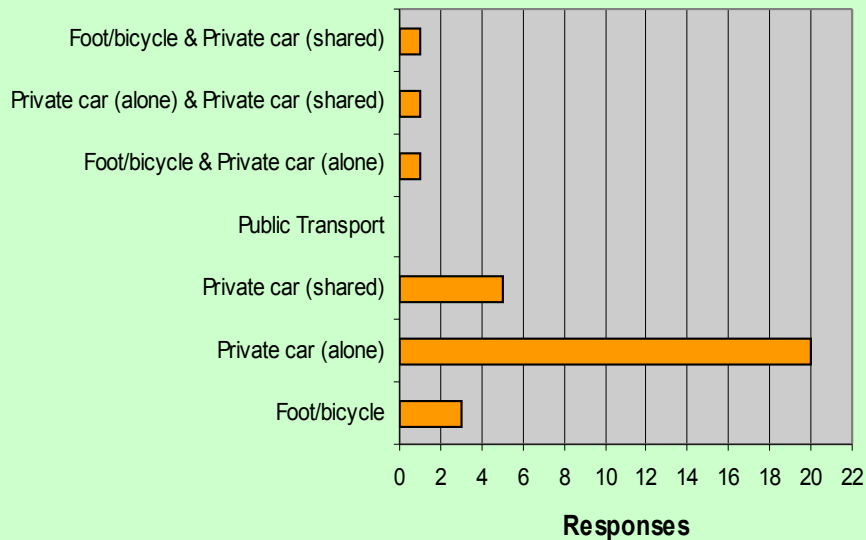
Q6. Where do you recruit your employees from?



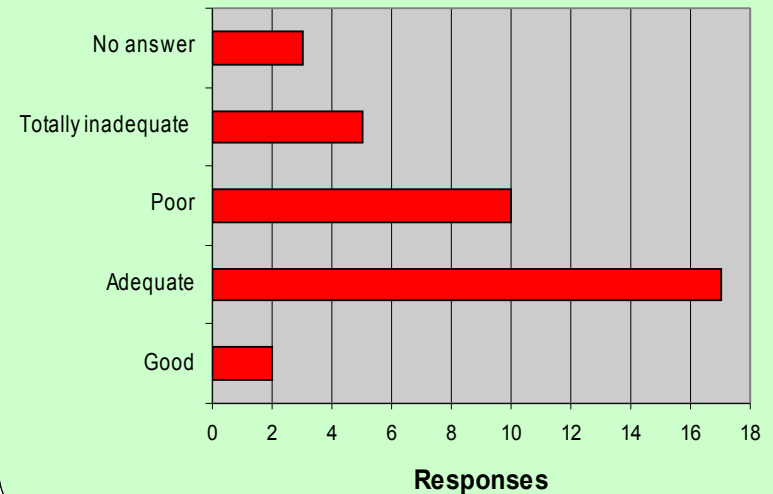


Business

Q7. Most of my employees travel to work by?



Q10. Public Transport for the Parish is?



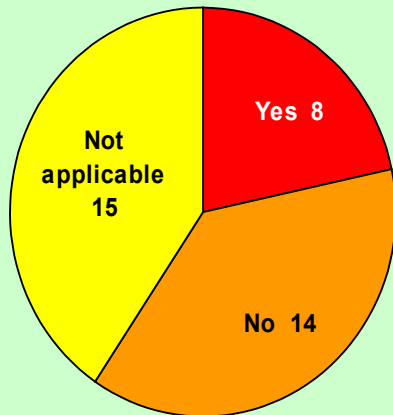
Comment: Over three quarters (80%) of employees travel to work by private car. Half felt that public transport was merely adequate and just less than half (44%) considered it to be poor or wholly inadequate.

Action: Refer public transport issue to **Shawbury Parish Council**.

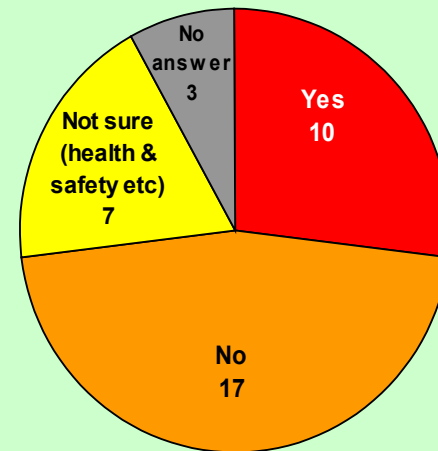


Business

Q8. Do you get any support and advice to get young people on to training or first jobs with your business?



Q9. Could your business offer work experience to local pupils?



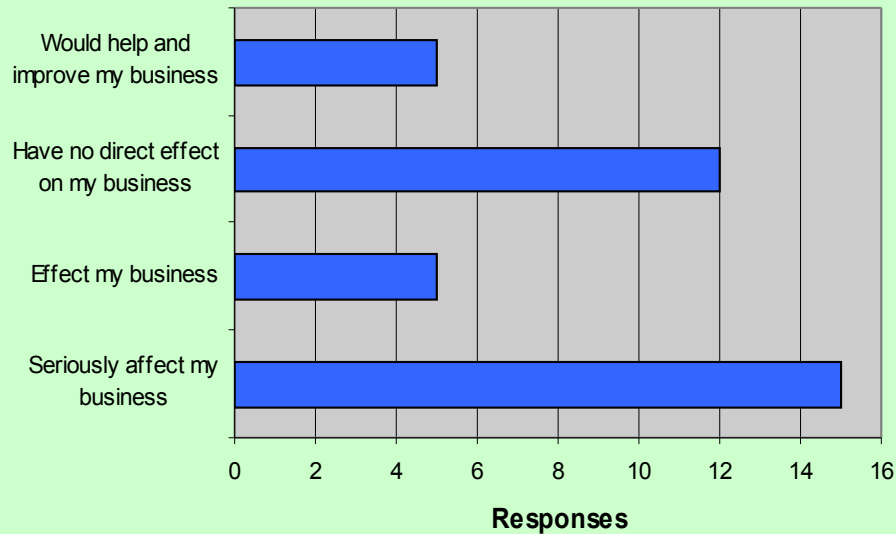
Comment: Excluding those where it was not applicable to their line of business, over a third (36%) said they do get the support and advice to get young people on to training or first jobs with their business. Nearly a third (29%) of businesses said they could offer work experience and a fifth (21%) would consider doing so but needed advice on health and safety regulations and other legislation.

Action: Refer public transport issue to **Shawbury Parish Council, Youth Employment Agency and local schools.**



Business

Q11. What effect would Shawbury by-pass have?



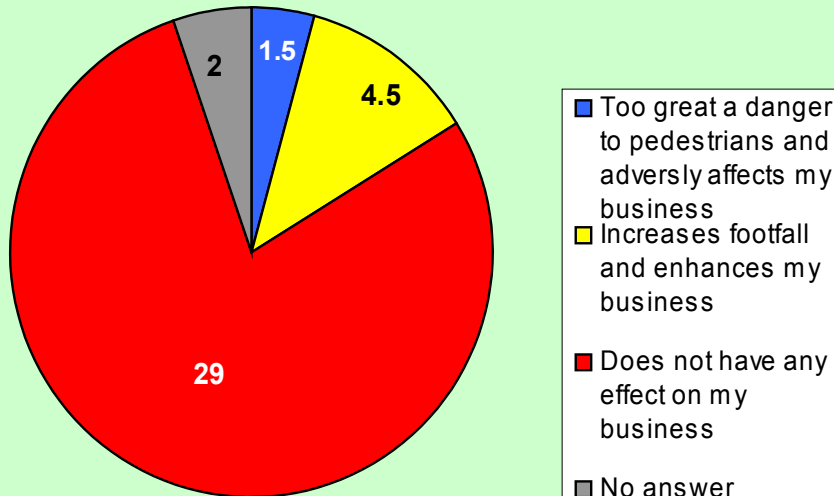
Comment: Over half (54%) of businesses felt that a Shawbury by-pass would affect or seriously affect their business. However, there was a marked response between agricultural and outlying businesses to those retail businesses within the village, with nearly two thirds (65%) of the latter against the by-pass.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council.**



Business

Q12. The volume of traffic through Shawbury village is?



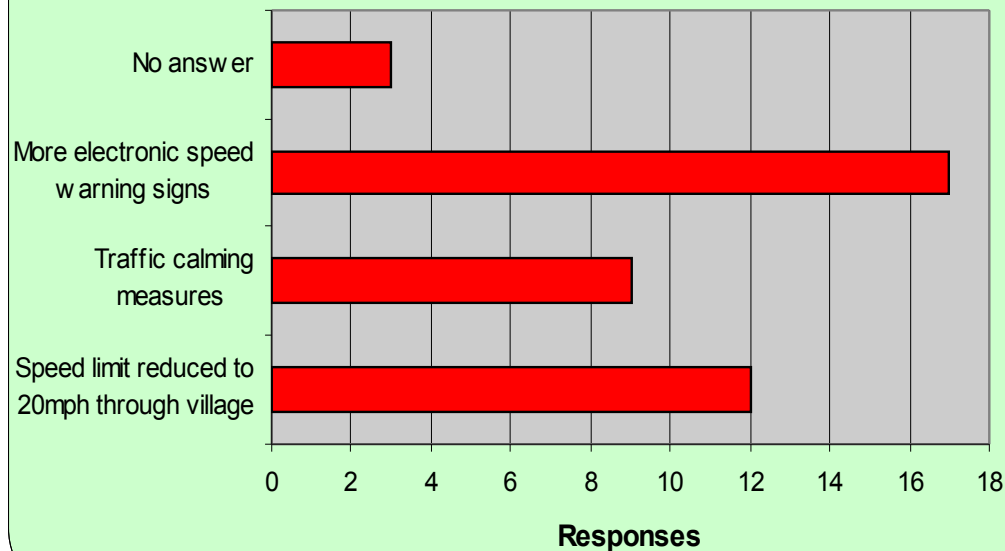
Comment: A high proportion (83%) of businesses did not feel that the volume of traffic through the village had any significant effect on their business.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council**.



Business

Q13. I would like to see the following to deal with the speed of traffic through the Parish.



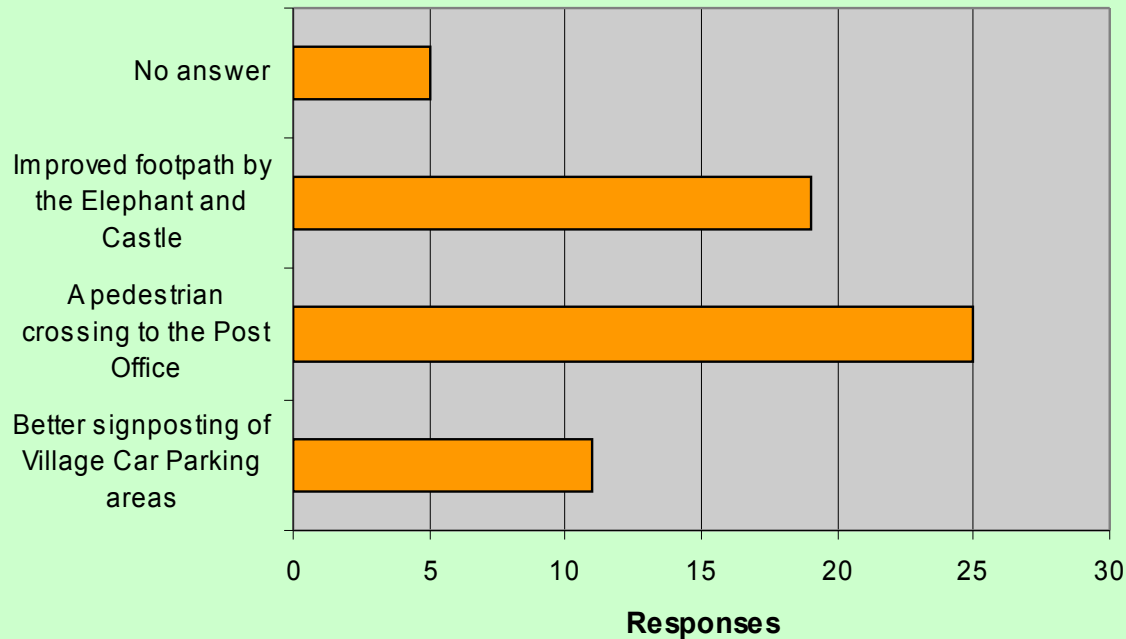
Comment: Nearly a half (44%) felt that electronic speed warning signs would help reduce the speed of traffic through the Parish.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council.**



Business

Q14. I would like to see the following highway improvements in the Village.



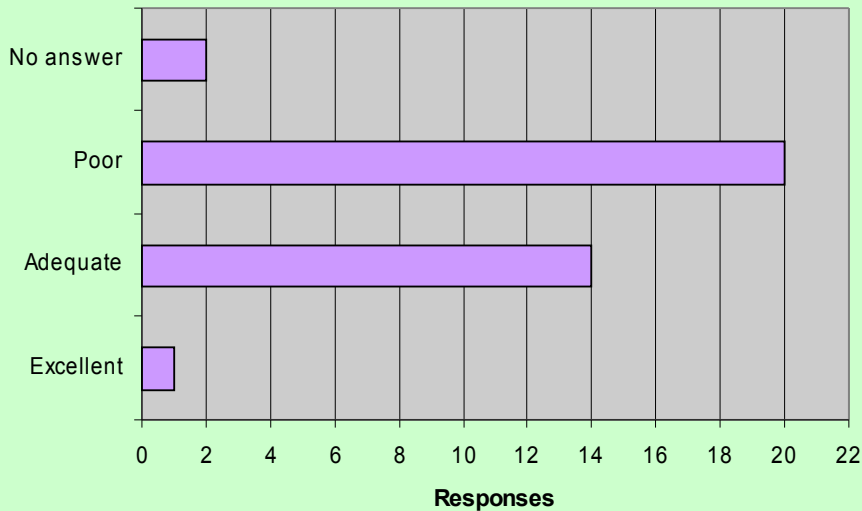
Comment: Nearly half (45%) of businesses felt that a pedestrian crossing was needed by the shops and a third (35%) an improved footway past the Elephant and Castle PH.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council.**

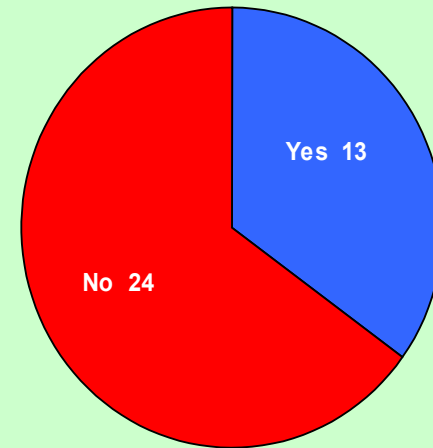


Business

Q15. The current police presence in the Parish is?



Q16. Does vandalism in the Parish adversely affect your business?



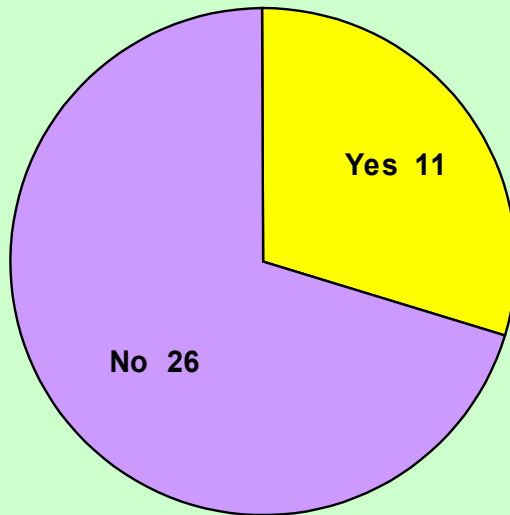
Comment: Well over half (57%) of businesses felt the police presence was poor, with 40% feeling it was merely adequate. As regards vandalism, over a third (35%) felt that it adversely affected their business, of this proportion over two thirds were retailers.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council and Police.**



Business

Q17. Does litter, dog fouling or associated problems adversely affect your business?



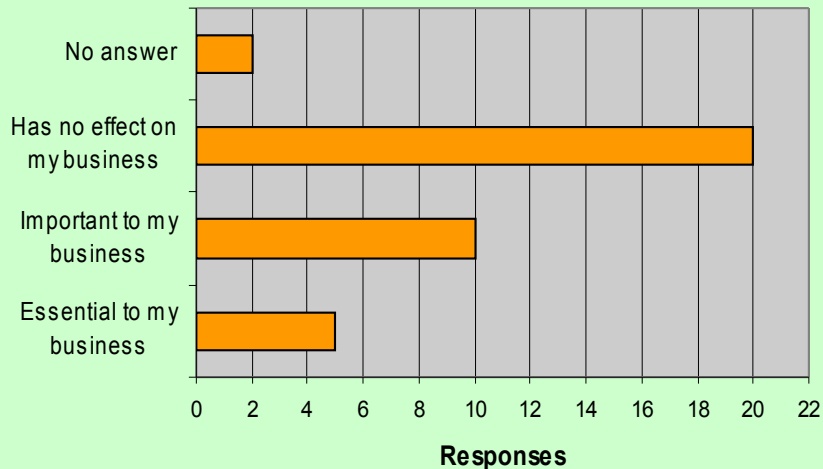
Comment: Nearly a third of businesses felt that litter, dog fouling and associated problems adversely affected their business. As one might expect, there is a split between agricultural and retail businesses on this issue.

Action: Refer to **Shawbury Parish Council.**

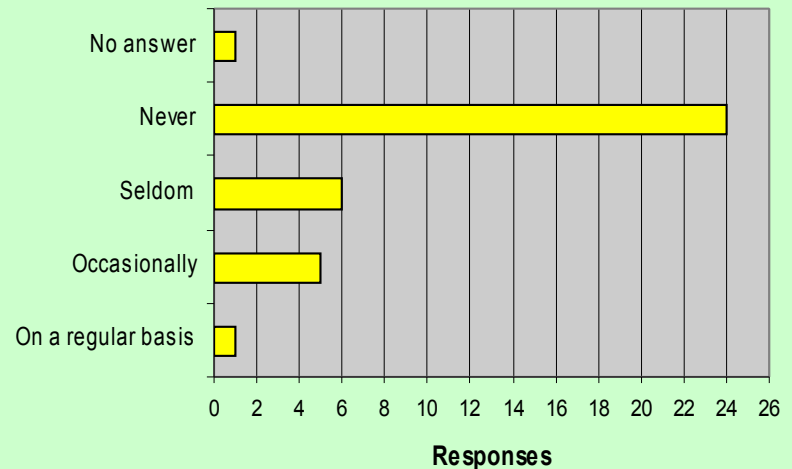


Business

Q18. What effect does RAF Shawbury have on your business?



Q19. Do you recruit staff from RAF Shawbury families?



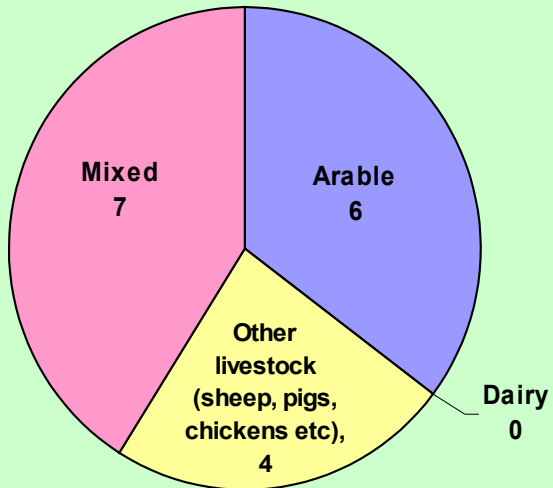
Comment: Just less than half (43%) considered RAF Shawbury to be important or even essential to their business. Again the response varied between agriculture and retail with nearly two thirds of the latter considering them to be important/essential. Two thirds (66%) of businesses never recruited from the RAF station with most of the remainder only occasionally or seldom recruiting from the station.

Action: Forward information to **RAF Shawbury**.

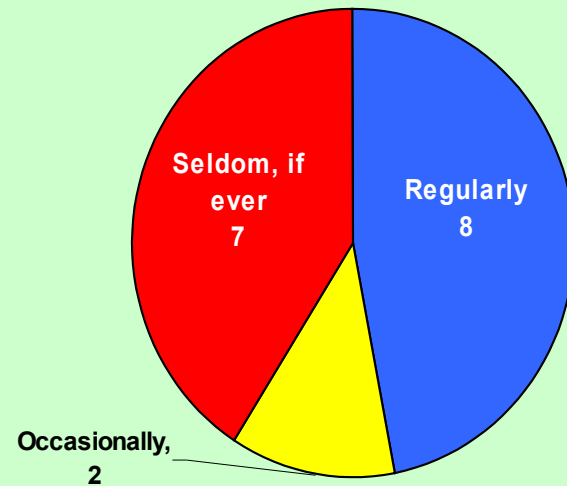


Business

Q20. My Agricultural business is predominantly?



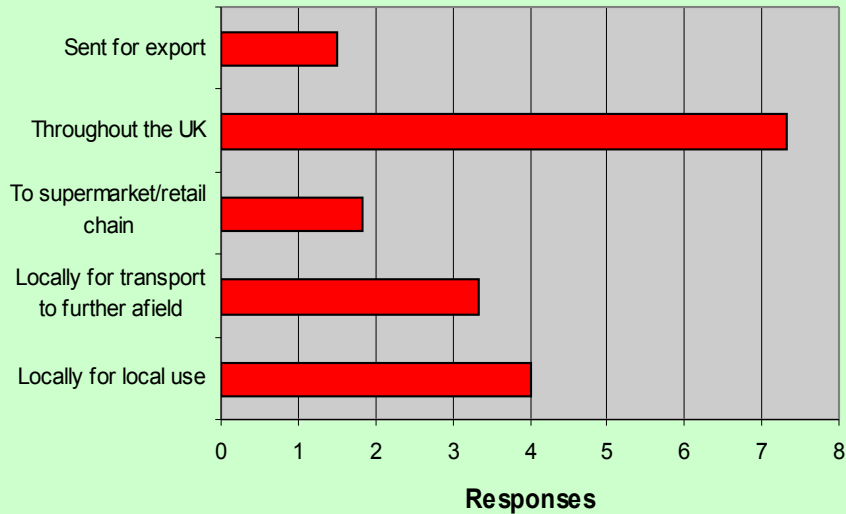
Q22. Do you sell some of your produce direct to the public



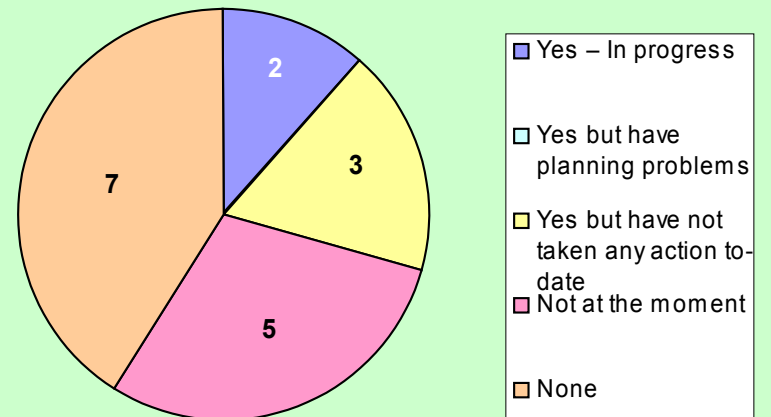


Business

Q21. Where is most of your produce sold?



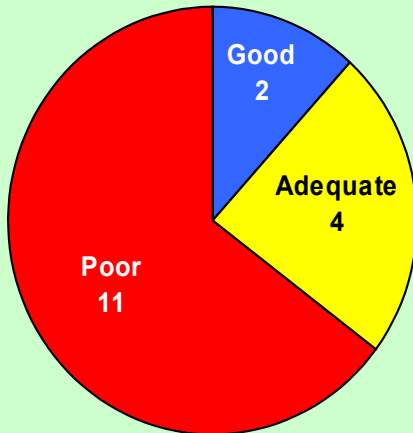
Q24. Do you have redundant buildings that could be developed for business or domestic use?



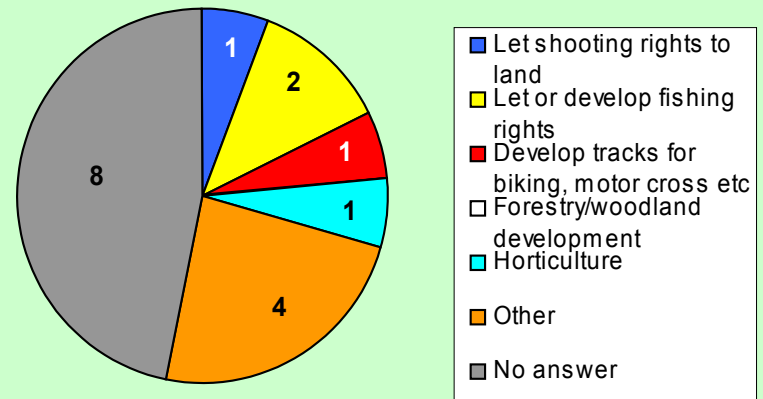


Business

Q23. I believe that the Government/local Council support for Farmers is?



Q25. Have you considered, or have you already undertaken the following diversification actions?



Comment: Over two thirds of agricultural businesses felt that Government/local Council support for farmers was poor. As regards diversification, of the half that responded they had let fishing rights, developed tracks for mountain biking/rally cross, retailed home produce, regenerated redundant buildings or were producing renewable energy crops.

Action: Refer to issue of support to **Shawbury Parish Council and Shropshire Council.**