

Analysis of results from the Neighbourhood Planning Household Questionnaire Question 42

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Q.42 on the Household Questionnaire was the last question on the survey and asked,

“Please specify how you would like to see the Parish of Mendlesham grow over the next 20 years.”

Of the 404 Household Questionnaires returned by local residents 287 gave an answer to this question.

In analysing the text of the answers 13 subject categories were identified. These categories are

- Affordable / social housing
- Shops, businesses and services
- Local environment
- Parking
- Housing development
- No change to the existing infrastructure
- Transport links
- Speeding and traffic issues
- Local employment
- Community and recreation issues
- Energy usage and supply
- Broadband, Internet and communication issues
- Youth

Where a respondent mentioned issues associated with any of these categories it incremented a count for that (those) category or categories. The counts then show the level of interest expressed by respondents. The count does not reflect either a positive or negative level of interest it just shows that comment has been made.

The counts (and percentages) are as follows;

- Affordable / social housing
38 references, 13.24% of 287 responses received
- Shops, businesses and services
80 references, 27.87%

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Local environment	39 references, 13.59%
Parking	10 references, 3.48%
Housing development	155 references, 54.01%
No change to the existing infrastructure	47 references, 16.38%
Transport links	48 references, 16.72%
Speeding and traffic issues	19 references, 6.62%
Local employment	21 references, 7.32%
Community and recreation issues	44 references, 15.33%
Energy usage and supply	12 references, 12.18%
Broadband, Internet and communication issues	13 references, 4.53%
Youth	24 references, 8.63%

The individual answers and the subject categorisation can be seen in spreadsheet "NP Household Questionnaire - Analysis of Q42".

These results need to be interpreted with all the other results that have been obtained from the Household survey.

Overall there was a strong view that the current image and situation of the Parish is what people want and that any growth needs to be incremental and properly integrated so as to minimise the possibility of losing a village and creating a town.

The large majority (over 50%) recognise that growth is both inevitable and desirable but there is still a body of opinion that does not want to see any growth (16.38%).

There was good mention of the need to improve the existing infrastructure and particularly a desire to see an improvement in local services and businesses (shops and pubs).

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