



East Dorset Talkback Panel Survey 13

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1: Executive Summary

The following summary has been drawn from the research findings section of the report.

Public Health

- 22% of EDDC panel members have a dog
- 93% of members agree that dog control is an important issue
- 39% of members disagree that dogs should be kept on leads at all times
- 81% agree that there should be a dog ban in certain areas
- 68% agree that there should be more "No fouling" signs
- 71% agree that fines for fouling should be higher
- 72% agree that there should be more bins for dog waste
- 34% disagree that locations for dog bins are adequate
- 34% agree that dogs bins aren't emptied frequently enough

Community Safety

- 94% of panel members feel safe living in their neighbourhood
- 93% of panel members feel safe walking alone in the day
- 63% feel safe walking alone at night
- 96% of members don't have a problem with noisy neighbours
- 81% don't think people hanging around on the streets is a big problem
- 83% don't think there is a problem with people being drunk in public places
- 89% don't think there is a problem with drug dealing or use
- 68% don't think there is a problem with rubbish and litter lying around
- 74% don't think vandalism, graffiti or property damage are much of a problem
- 89% and 85% of members are not aware of the Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership or the Community Partnership respectively

Moors Valley Country Park & Open Spaces

- 84% of panel members have visited MVCP
- Of those that haven't 40% say they are not attracted to what's on offer
- Of those that have visited 88% are satisfied with it as an enjoyable day out
- 63% know about MVCP through local knowledge
- 28% of members tend to visit every 6 months, only 4% go weekly
- 33% go to MVCP all year round
- 94% of members have access to a vehicle
- 71% of members go to MVCP by car

- 89% and 77% of panel members are not aware of either Norcat or X36 bus services respectively
- 52% of members are aware of the off road access from the B3081, 50% are aware of Potterne park access and 53% are aware of Castlemaine trailway access however only between 20% and 27% of members use them
- 23% of members tend to visit other open spaces once in 6 months
- 81% are satisfied with open spaces provided locally
- 51% are satisfied with information about open spaces
- 42% are satisfied with the Council's ability to promote open spaces
- 53% are satisfied with the Council's ability to keep public land clear of litter
- Moors Valley, Potterne Wood, Stephens Castle, Dewlands Common, Leigh Common, Poor Common and Walford Mill are the best known and visited open spaces in the district
- 62% of members are satisfied with cultural facilities in the area
- 54% are satisfied with sports and leisure facilities

Young People

- 40% of members are dissatisfied with services for young people
- 79% and 68% of members are not aware of either www.eastdorsetarts.org or Summer Blast as info sources for kids activities
- Of those activities used or visited 51% of Adults and 58% of children rated them good to some extent.
- 68% haven't heard of East Dorset Youth Council
- 52% of members think that young people do have a voice on issues affecting them
- 51% would like to bring issues affecting them to the forefront of policy
- 73% would like to improve facilities for young people
- 96% have never visited a EDYC meeting
- 77% would attend if they were held locally

Communication

- 69% of members think that the Council keep residents well informed about its services
- 67% think that its easy to find out about the Council
- The Local free paper is the preferred info source (34%) and 53% have used Council Tax statements and word of mouth and 49% have used East Dorset News
- Those that prefer leaflets as an information source prefer to pick them up from the Library (73%) and the Post Office (66%)
- 45% of members receive every edition of the East Dorset News through their door
- East Dorset News has a good rating overall by 70% of members
- 53% of panel members have never visited the Dorset for you Website

- Of those that have 39% rate it good overall
- 84% of members have not sought advise in the last 6 months
- Of those that did seek advise 54% gave a good rating

Elections

- 97% of members vote
- Between 55% and 89% vote at all the different elections
- 85% of members rate their local polling stations as good in all respects
- 77% of panel members voted in the May 2007 elections
- The strongest reason for voting was because they wanted to have a say in who won the election (81%) of those not voting 9% wanted to vote but were unable to for some reason or other
- 60% of members know what the responsibilities are of their local councillor
- Only 15% of members have ever considered standing as a councillor.
- 40% would stand as a councillor if they had more time and if they thought they could make a difference

2: Introduction

2.1: East Dorset District Council Consultation

Consultation, including Best Value and Citizens' Panel research, is the mechanism by which Local Authorities can monitor and quality and cost of services it provides for the public, and investigate issues of importance to local residents.

Assessing the views of residents is key to this process, so East Dorset District Council has embarked on a full and sustained public consultation programme so that any decisions made are in line with public opinion, and so that communities are more involved in the decision making process.

2.2: East Dorset Panel Talkback Survey 13

This report details the full results of the thirteenth East Dorset Citizens' Panel Survey. In this case the survey sought to collect intelligence about outdoor services and facilities. Please note that many of these areas have been surveyed previously, and so trends may be identified in the behaviours and opinions of residents.

Questions were asked on; facilities for young people, cleaning and litter services and dog fouling , Moors Valley Country Park and open spaces, election and councillors, general safety, information provision by the Council and cultural facilities. The results of these questions will be used to aid future decision making in these service areas.

2.3: The Market Research Group (MRG)

East Dorset District Council has commissioned the Market Research Group (MRG), based at Bournemouth University, to undertake this research. MRG aims to be a key independent resource for the provision and interpretation of market intelligence for its clients.

The group offers expertise, experience and advice in the field of market research, tailored to suit the needs of individual organisations. MRG has specialised in consultation of this sort, and has numerous projects to its name.

2.4: Project Aims & Objectives

2.4.1: Project Aims

The project's research aim was to provide the Council with reliable information about the behaviour and views of residents with regards to the aforementioned topics. The results of the research will help the Council make informed decisions about future service delivery and priorities.

2.4.2: Project Objectives

More specifically, the project sought to achieve the following objectives:

- To assess opinions of dog fouling.
- To assess opinions on Moors Valley and other open spaces
- To assess opinions on general safety
- To assess opinions of services for young people.
- To assess opinions on peoples voting and thoughts on Councillors and their responsibilities
- To collect any other relevant comments and suggestions.
- To identify any significant differences between respondent types.
- To identify any trends in these results over time and between the Council and peer organisations (where possible).

3: Methodology

3.1: Target Population

In this case, the target population (those of interest to the research) was all residents living in the East Dorset area.

3.2: Sampling & Response

A census sample of target population would be near impossible to organise and conduct within the timeframe and budget of this research, so a sampling technique was required, whereby only a selected sample of residents take part in the research. The East Dorset Citizens' Panel is a representative sample of residents, which was set up using a random sampling technique, for this purpose.

The Panel is made up of 625 residents, 355 of which responded to the research within the fieldwork period (57% response rate).

3.3: Data Collection

Data collection is the method used to administer the research. Given the objectives of the research, the size and nature of the Panel, it was determined that a postal and on-line survey were the most appropriate. This also had the advantages of:

- The respondent's confidentiality was assured, especially as independent researchers had been used.
- Fieldwork costs and schedules were reduced significantly due to a lack of human interviewing involvement.
- Respondents were able to complete the questionnaire at their leisure, and look up information relating to their past behaviour if necessary.
- Respondents with e-mail could complete on-line providing instant data therefore reducing data entry costs

The questionnaire was distributed to Panel members via the post on 20th September 2007, including a covering letter explaining the purpose of the survey, completed by respondents and returned to MRG using a freepost return envelope by 8th October 2007. Due to a Royal Mail strike the deadline was then extended for another week to maximise responses. Also to maximise the response rate respondents were sent reminder postcards towards the end of this fieldwork period.

3.4: Questionnaire Design

The questionnaire (see *Appendix 6.4*) was designed by MRG, in conjunction with the Council, specifically to fulfil the research objectives of this project. The questions included; pre-coded (tick response), open-ended, rating and ranking questions. All survey responses were analysed in conjunction with general demographic data held on respondents by MRG.

3.5: Data Analysis

A standard coding system was used, where each response is assigned a numerical value for ease of data analysis within a specialist computer programme.

Tabulations, cross-tabulations and other statistical calculations (averages) were then produced to satisfy the information requirements of the Council. These can be found in the appendices, along with a list of verbatim comments (see *Appendices 6.1, 6.2 & 6.3*).

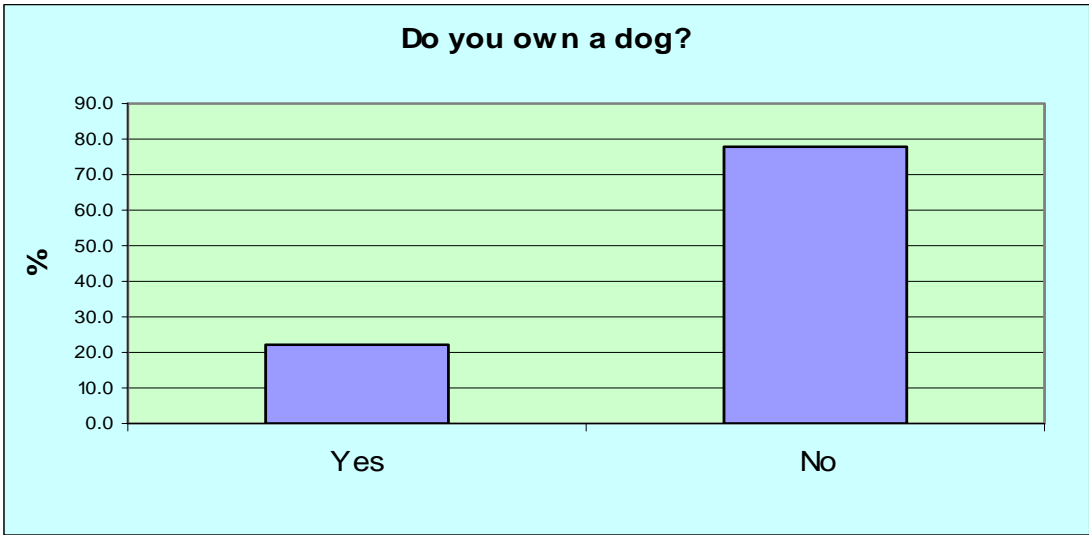
4: Research Findings

This section of the report discusses the findings of the survey. Specifically, it deals with; Dog fouling, general safety, Moors Valley Country Park and other open spaces, services for young people, Information provision by the Council and Elections. A profile of respondents to the survey may be found in the appendices, along with the original tabulations and verbatim comments.

4.1: Public Health

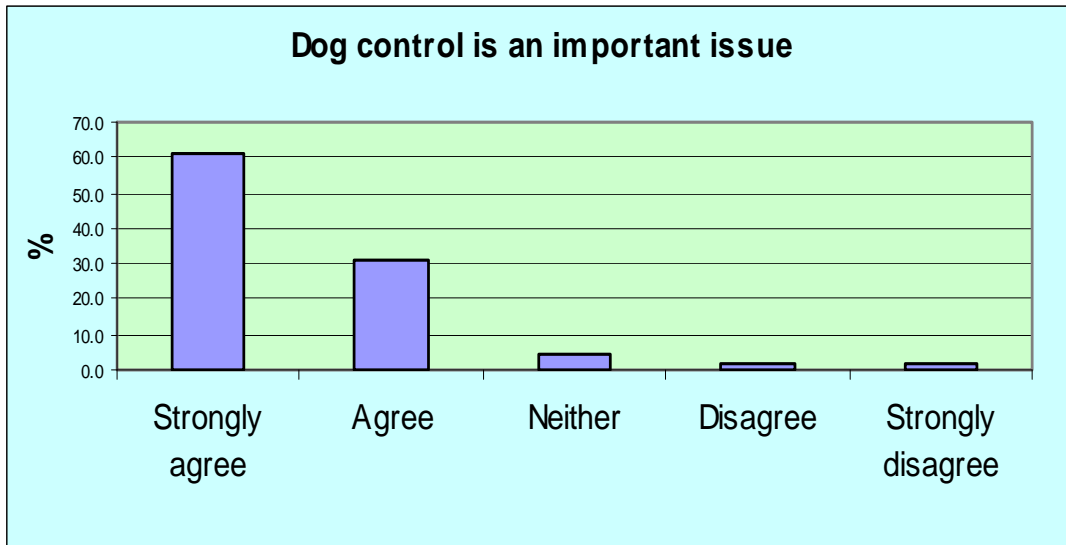
These specific questions have not been asked before and therefore there are no figures to compare with.

4.1.1 Dog ownership



22% of panel members have a dog. This is quite a high rate of dog ownership as the National figure according to Mintel (2005) is 19.8%. Unsurprisingly this figure is higher in the rural areas of East Dorset at 30%. Dog ownership is lowest in West Moors at only 12%. 45-64 year olds are the age group with the highest dog ownership at 27%

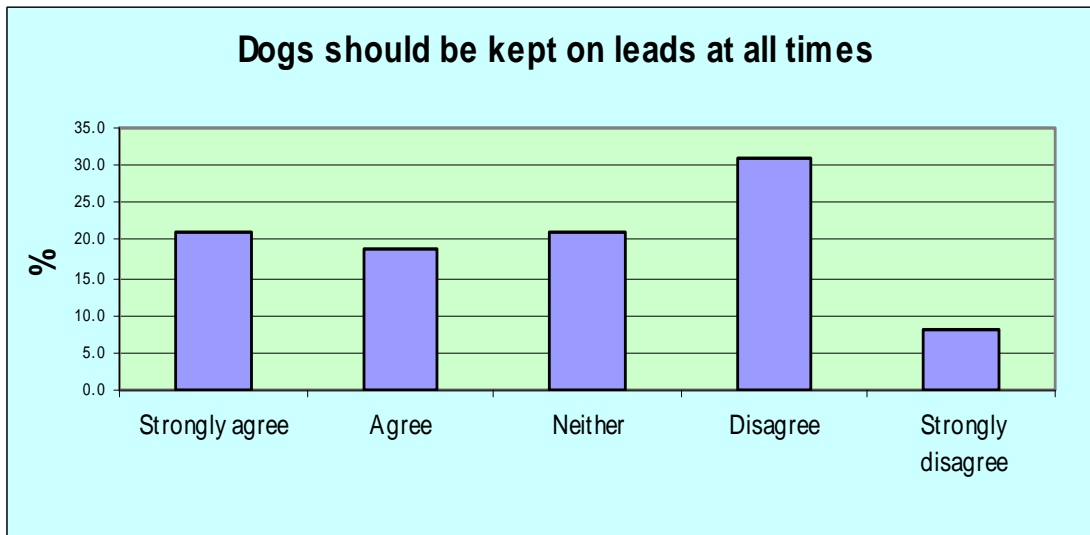
4.1.2a: Dog Control



In most cases the following results are combined to give an overall positive or negative rating.

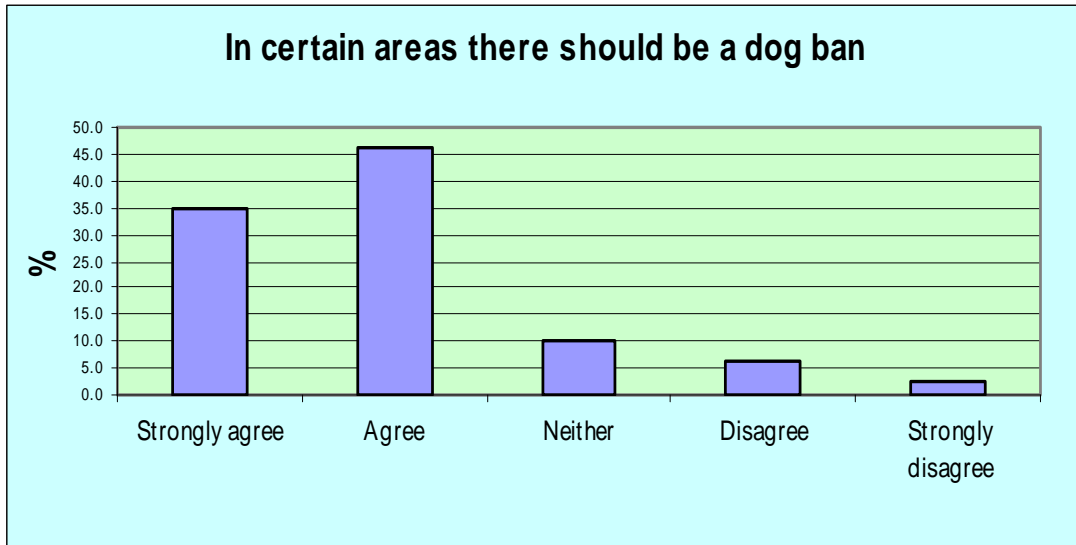
93% of members agree to some extent that dog control is an important issue. Dog owners feel more strongly (67%) about this than non dog owners (60%). This feeling is strongest in West Moors at 100% and unsurprisingly lowest in Rural areas at 88%.

4.1.2b: Dog on leads at all times



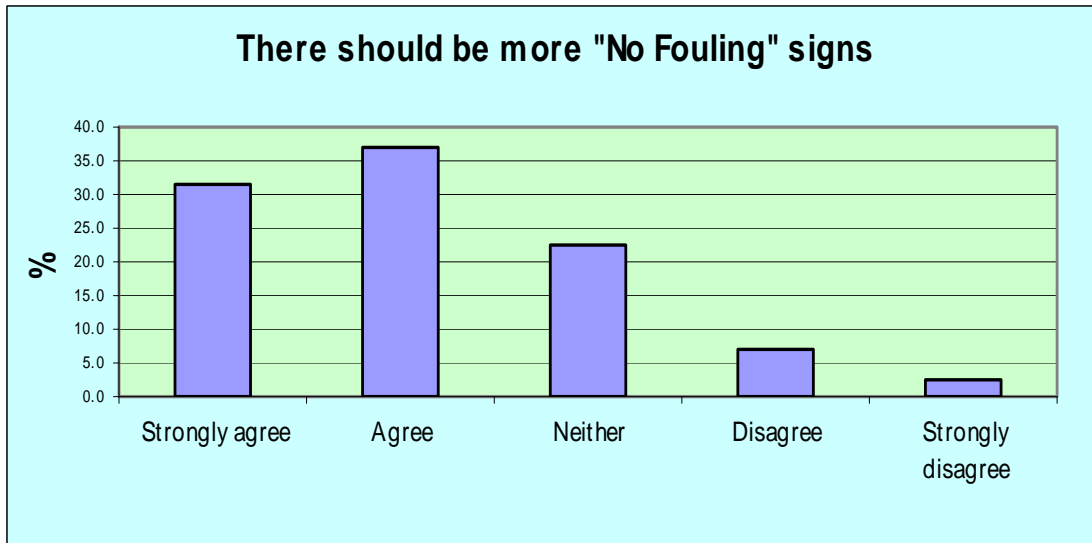
39% of members disagree that dogs should be kept on leads at all times. Non dog owners feel more strongly (25%) about this than owners (10%). West Moors is the ward that feels strongest about this issue (87%).

4.1.2c: Dog ban in certain areas



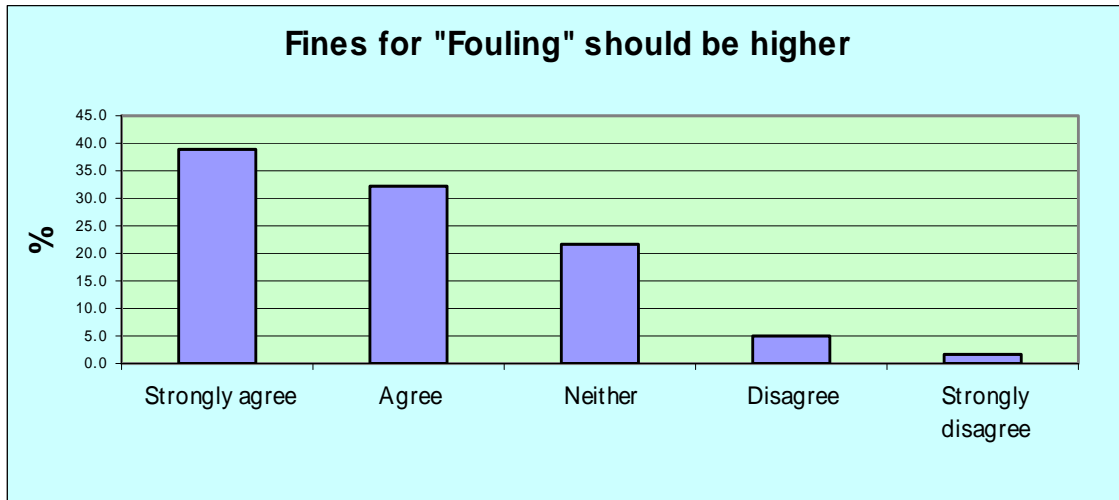
81% of members agree that there should be a dog ban in certain areas. St Leonards feels most strongly about this issue (89%).

4.1.2d: No fouling signs



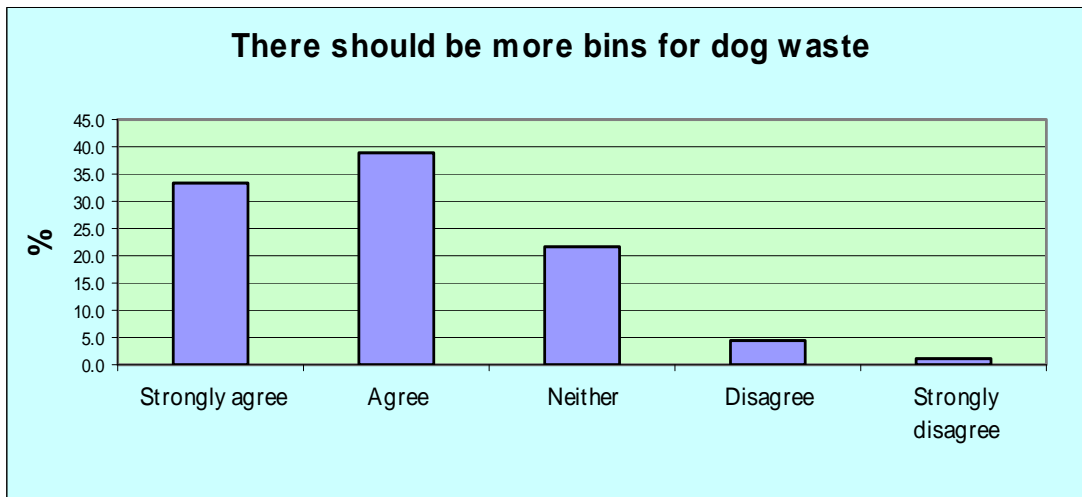
68% agree that there should be more "No fouling" signs. West Moors (86%) feels more strongly that its area should have more "No fouling" signs than other Wards.

4.1.2e: Fouling fines should be higher



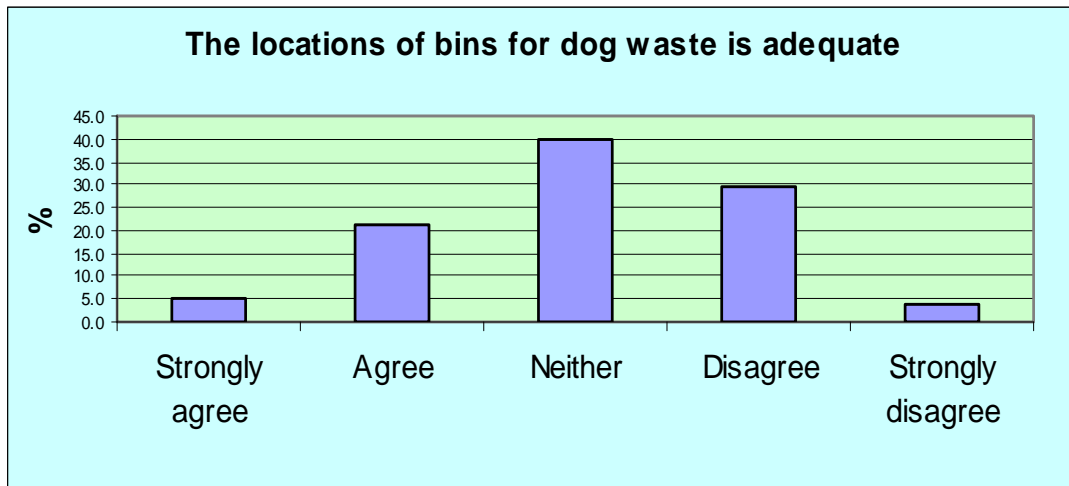
71% agree fines should be higher. Corfe Mullen (81%) feels more strongly about higher fines than other Wards.

4.1.2f: More bins for dog waste



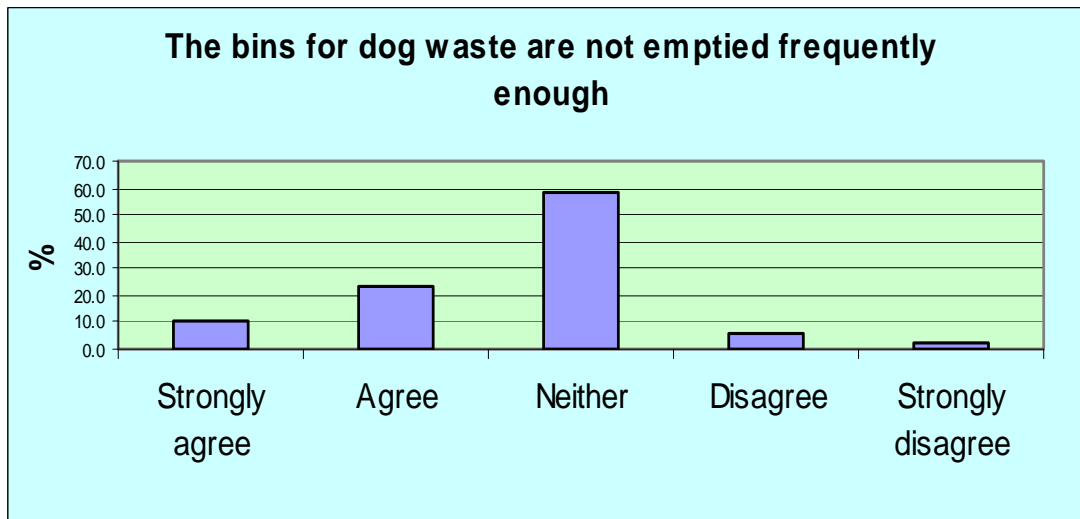
72% of panel members agree that there should be more bins for dog waste. St Leonards has a greater desire for more dog bins (84%).

4.1.2g: Location of dog bins is adequate



34% of members disagree that locations for dog bins are adequate. St Leonards disagrees with this statement the most at 48%.

4.1.2h: Dog bins are not emptied frequently enough



34% of members agree that dog bins aren't emptied frequently enough. Verwood appears to agree with this more than other areas (38%).

4.1.3: Which areas are worse affected by dog fouling?

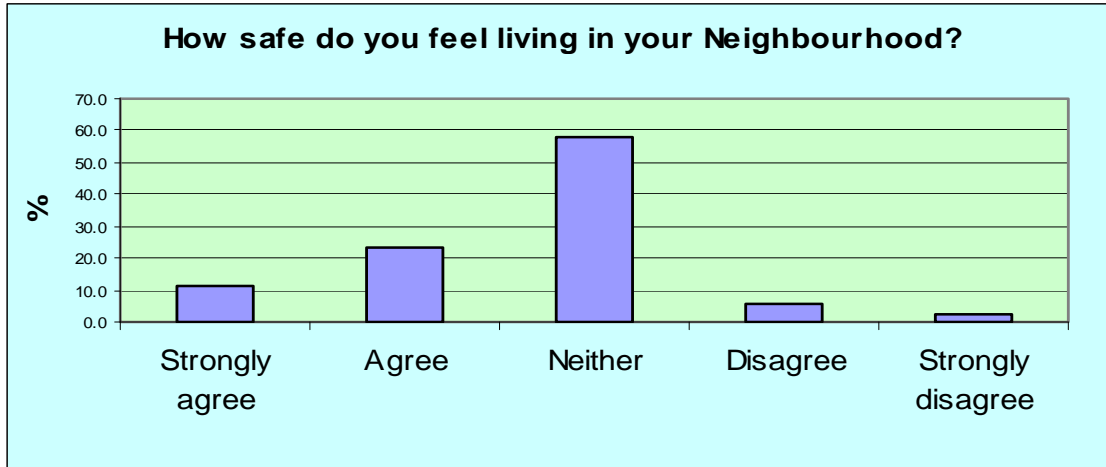
The following are a list of areas that members think are worse affected.

Table 3: Areas worse affected by dog fouling?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Local streets/roads/lanes/alleyways	47	20.6
Pavements/footpaths	24	10.5
Bridleways/bridle paths	2	0.9
Forest walks/wooded areas	10	4.4
Public open spaces/commons	20	8.8
Heathland/fields	5	2.2
Moors Valley	4	1.8
Recreation grounds/parks/playing fields	21	9.2
Near shops/buildings/schools	4	1.8
River walks	9	3.9
Grass verges/grassed areas/frontages	14	6.1
Cannon Hill plantation	3	1.3
Potterne Park	11	4.8
Castlemain trailway	4	1.8
Other/no opinion	50	21.9
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	228	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Local streets, roads, lanes and alley ways are where most members feel dog fouling is the greatest problem. The full list can be found in the appendices.

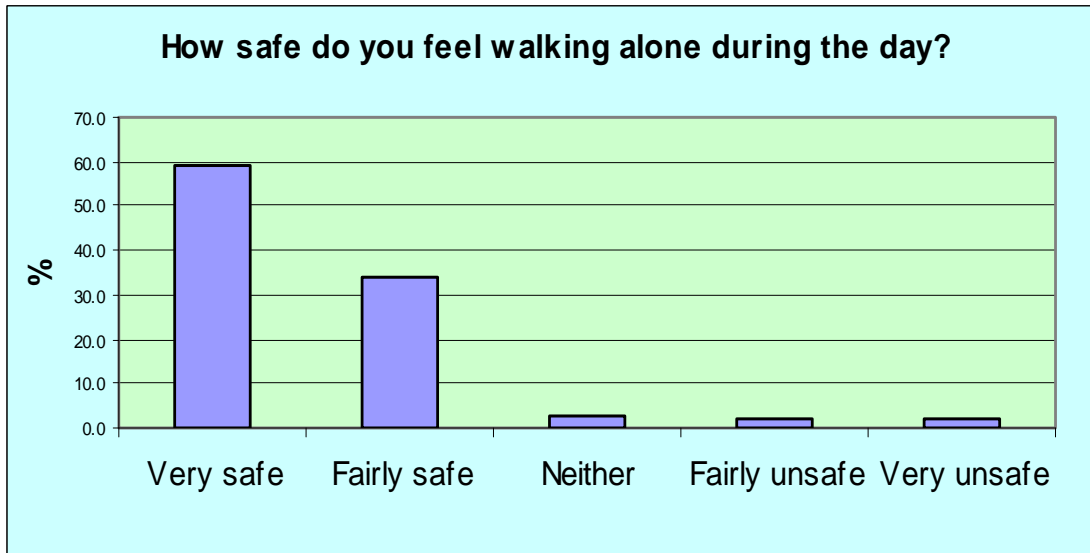
4.2: Community safety

4.2.4a: How safe do you feel living in your Neighbourhood?



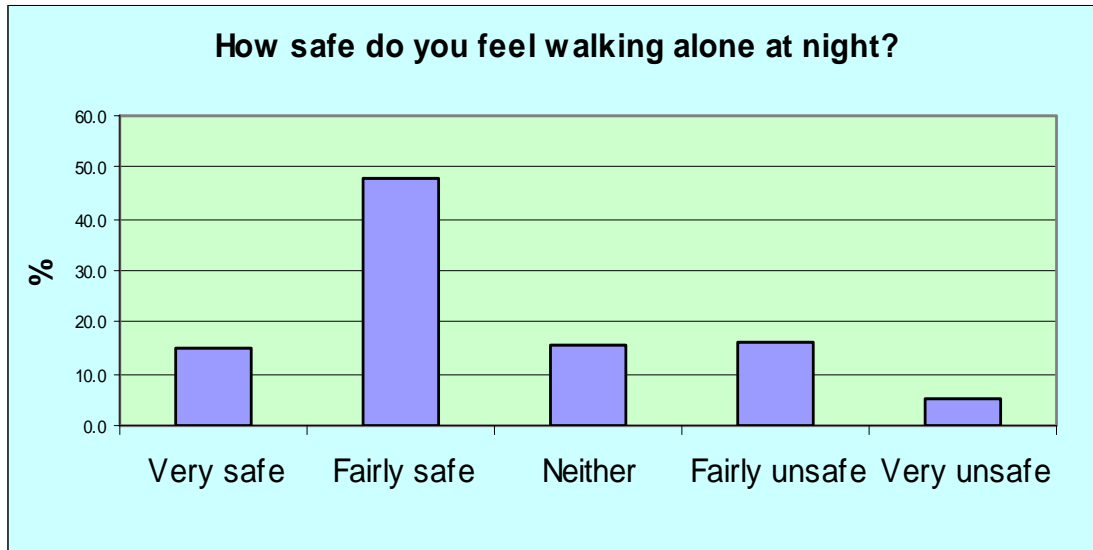
94% of members feel safe living in their neighbourhood. This feeling is highest in Wimborne & Colehill and Corfe Mullen where no one feels unsafe. This overall figure has dropped slightly from March 2006 when 96% of members agreed that they felt safe to an extent.

4.2.4b: How safe do you feel walking alone during the day?



93% feel safe walking around during the day. Again this has fallen 2% from 95% when asked in March 2006. All members in Corfe Mullen feel safe walking alone in the day.

4.2.4c: How safe do you feel walking alone at night?



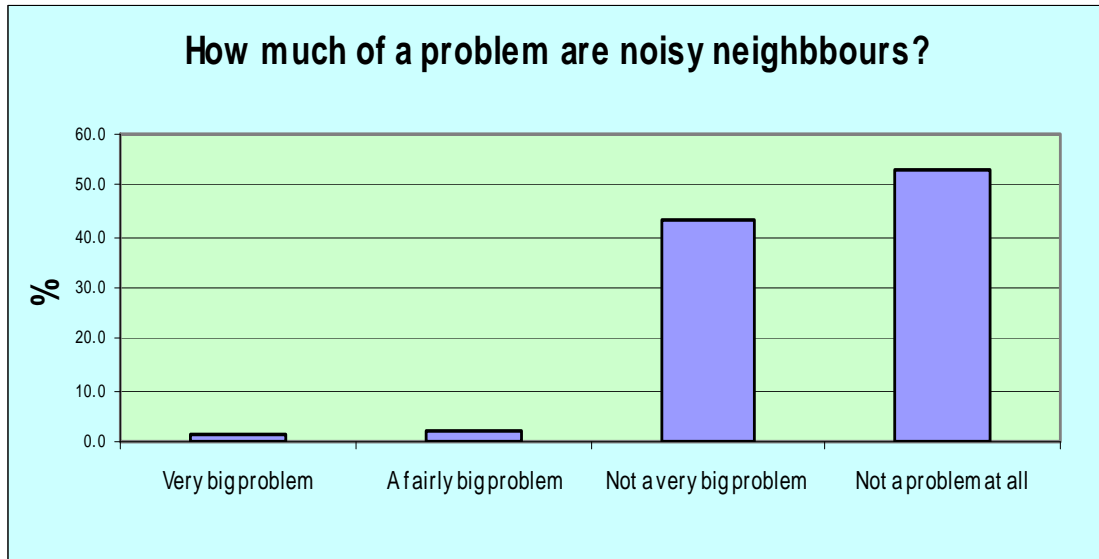
63% feel safe walking alone at night. This has dropped 12% a significant amount from the 75% recorded in 2006. Corfe Mullen (77%) has the most members who feel safe walking alone at night and Ferndown (49%) has the least people who feel safe at night.

4.2.5: If you feel unsafe why is this?

Table 5: If unsafe why was this		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Groups of youths loitering/drunkenness	37	41.6
Lack of police	4	4.5
Afraid to walk alone at night	13	14.6
Speeding cars	1	1.1
Being old/disabled	4	4.5
Thefts from buildings	1	1.1
Insufficient/Inadequate street lighting	7	7.9
Cyclists on pavements	1	1.1
Vandalism	1	1.1
Media coverage	3	3.4
Pubs/takeaways	2	2.2
Crime levels	4	4.5
Dangerous areas ie near shops/lanes etc	4	4.5
Other	7	7.9
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	89	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

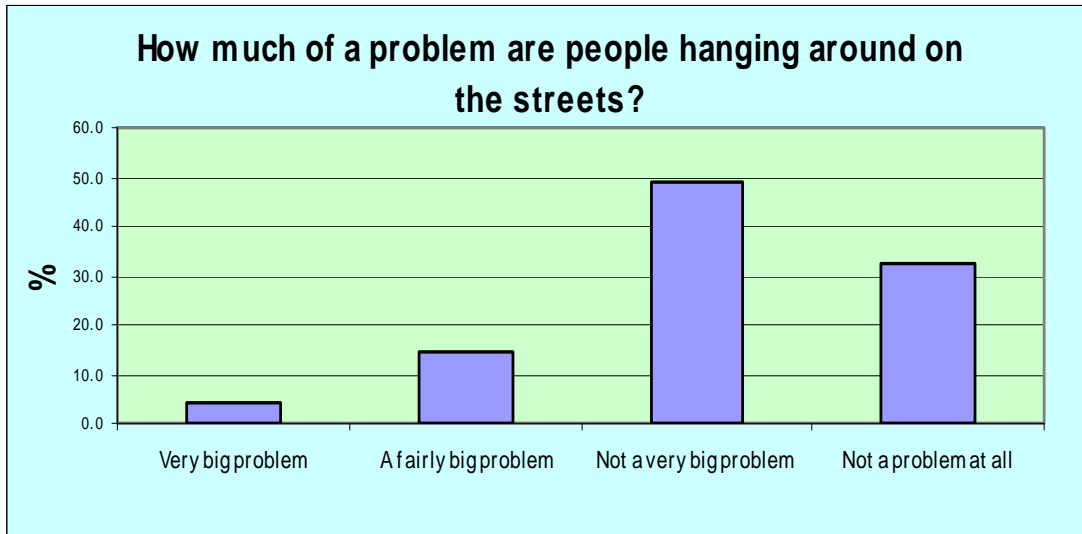
Being scared of groups of youths is the main reason for feeling unsafe.

4.2.6a: How much of a problem are noisy neighbours?



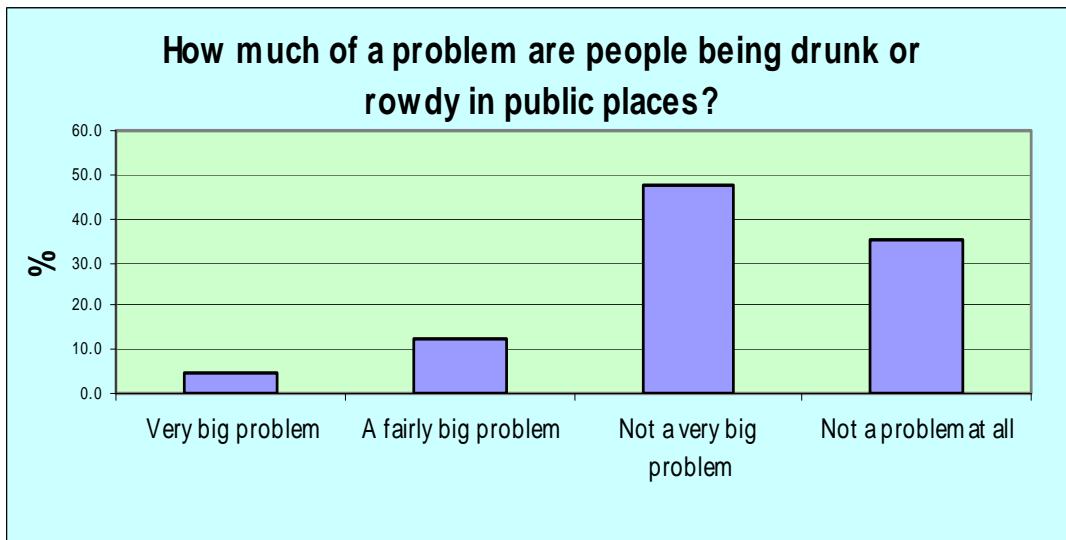
96% of members don't have a problem with noisy neighbours. This is an improvement of 5% since the last survey in 2006 at 91%. Interestingly the Rural (7%) areas are fractionally more concerned about noisy neighbours than other Wards.

4.2.6b: How much of a problem are people hanging around on the streets?



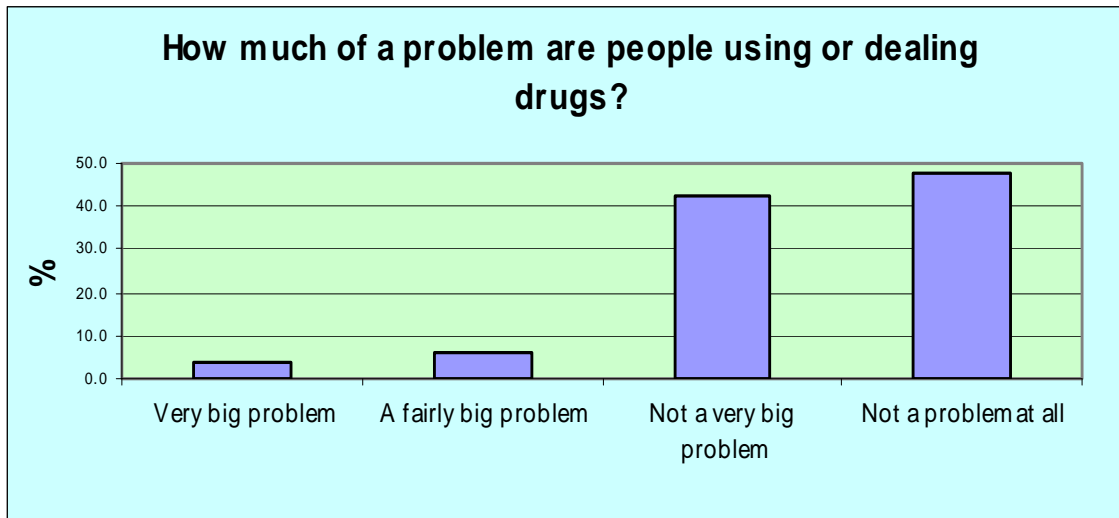
81% of panel members don't think people hanging around on the streets is a big problem. This has significantly changed since March 2006 when only 59% of members thought this was not a fairly or very big problem. St Leonards has no problem with this issue; however 28% of Ferndown members do have a concern about people hanging around the streets.

4.2.6c: How much of a problem are people being drunk or rowdy?



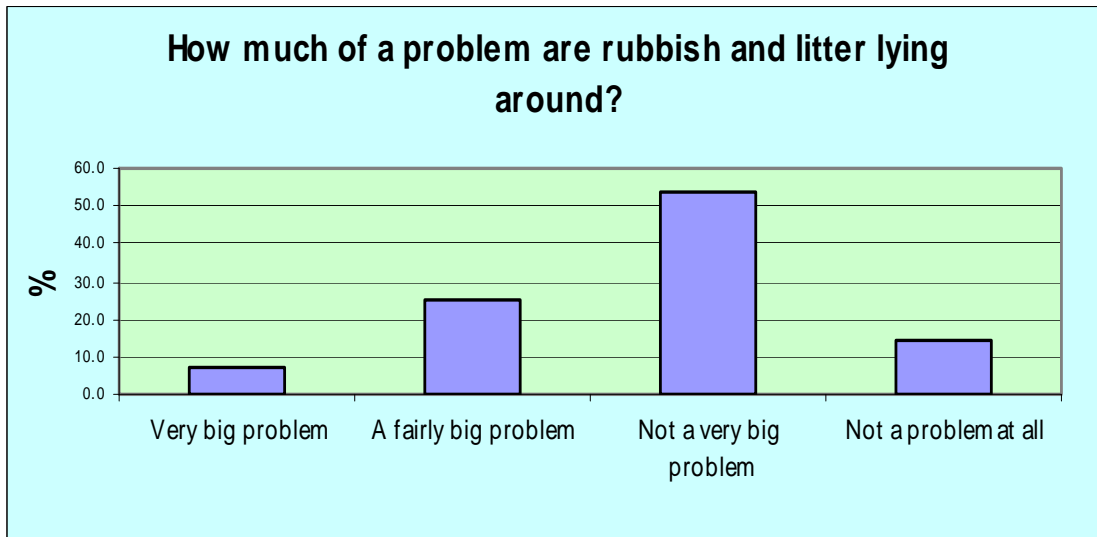
83% of members don't think this is a big problem, back in March Only 64% of members didn't think that people being drunk and rowdy was a big problem. St Leonards has no problem with this issue; however, 24% of Wimborne & Colehill members consider drunkenness and rowdy behaviour to be a problem.

4.2.6d: How much of a problem are people using or dealing drugs?



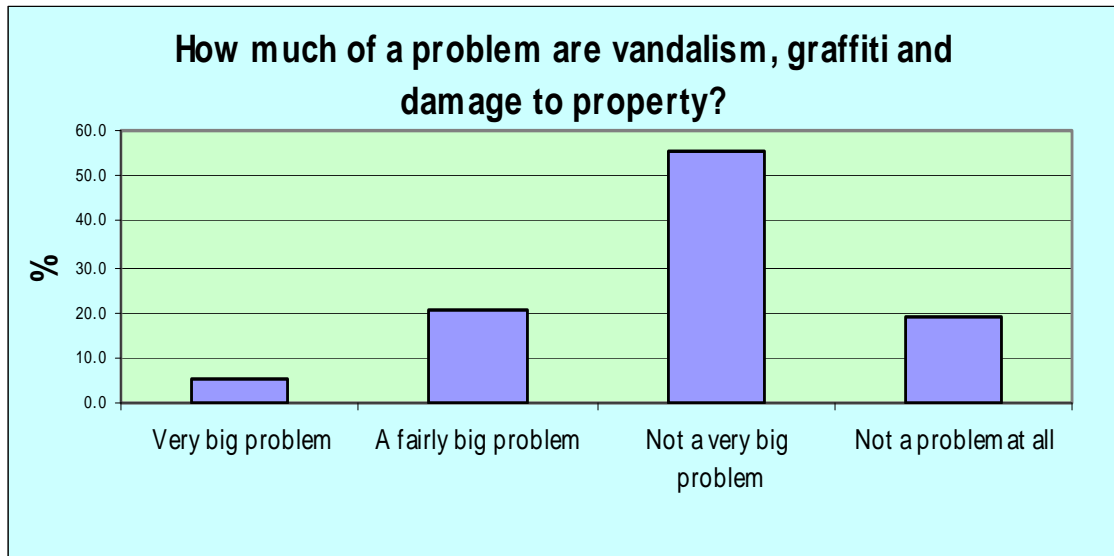
89% do not think drug using or dealing is a big problem. This again has increased from only 48% of members in March 2006 who thought it wasn't a big problem. Drug issues are not a problem to members in St Leonards whereas 18% of West Moors members feel drug taking and dealing is a big problem.

4.2.6e: How much of a problem are rubbish and litter lying around?



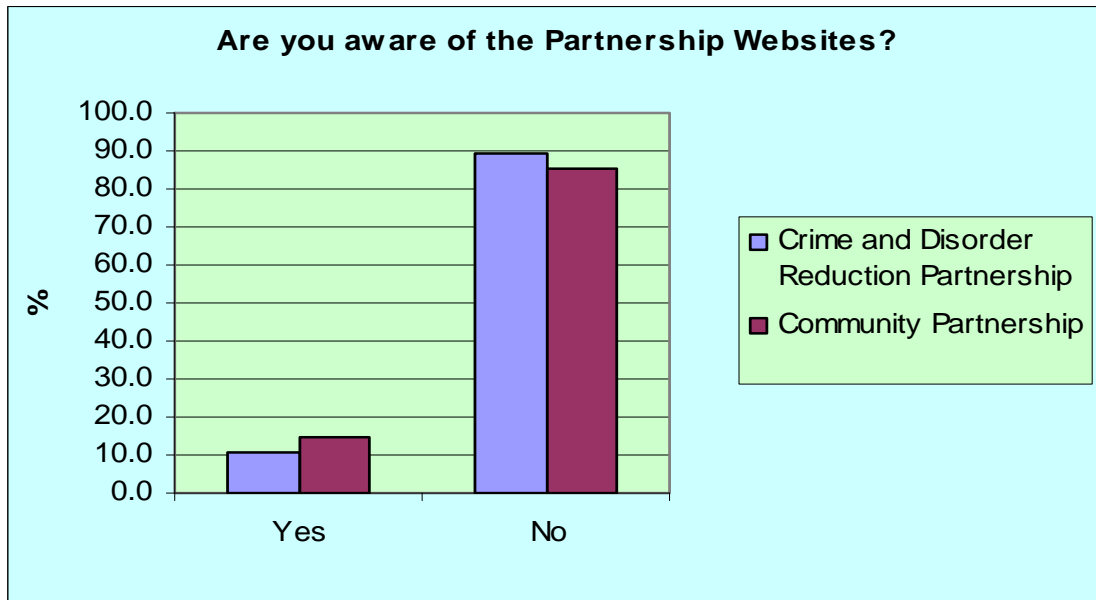
68% of members don't think there's a big problem with litter lying around. Back in March 2006 only 61% thought this so another improvement. 44% of Ferndown members feel that litter is a big problem whereas St Leonards has the least problem (83%)

4.2.6f: How much of a problem are vandalism, graffiti and damage to property?



74% of members don't think this is a big problem, whereas in March 2006 only 53% thought vandalism wasn't a problem an increase of 21%. Interestingly vandalism, graffiti and damage to property is a bigger problem for members in Rural areas (36%). St Leonards has the least problems with vandalism etc...

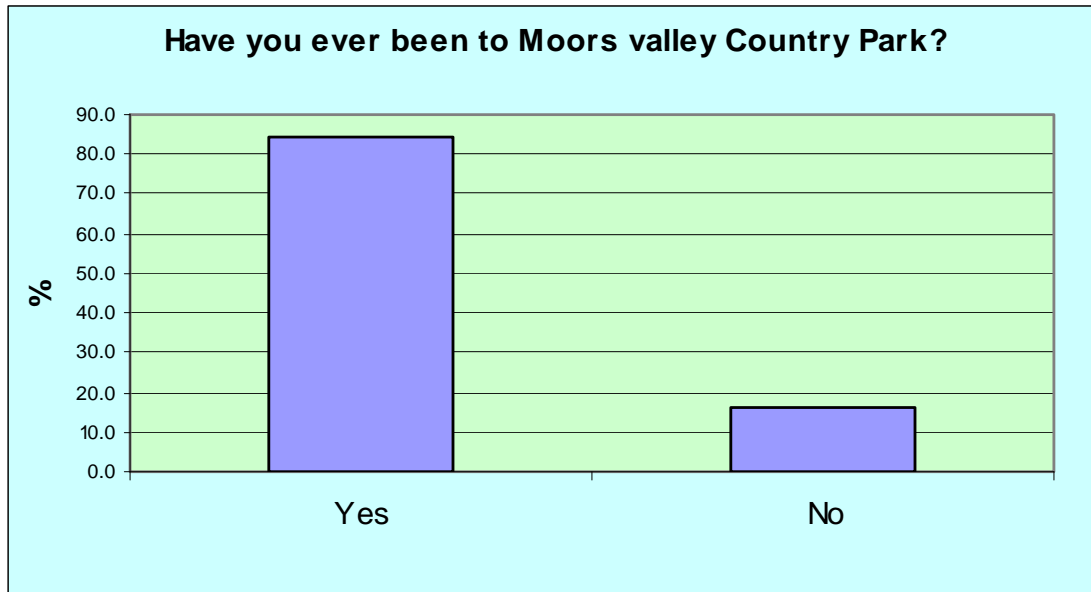
4.2.7: Are you aware of the Partnership websites?



89% and 85% respectively are not aware of the websites Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership and Community Partnership. Rural areas are slightly more aware of these partnerships than other Wards.

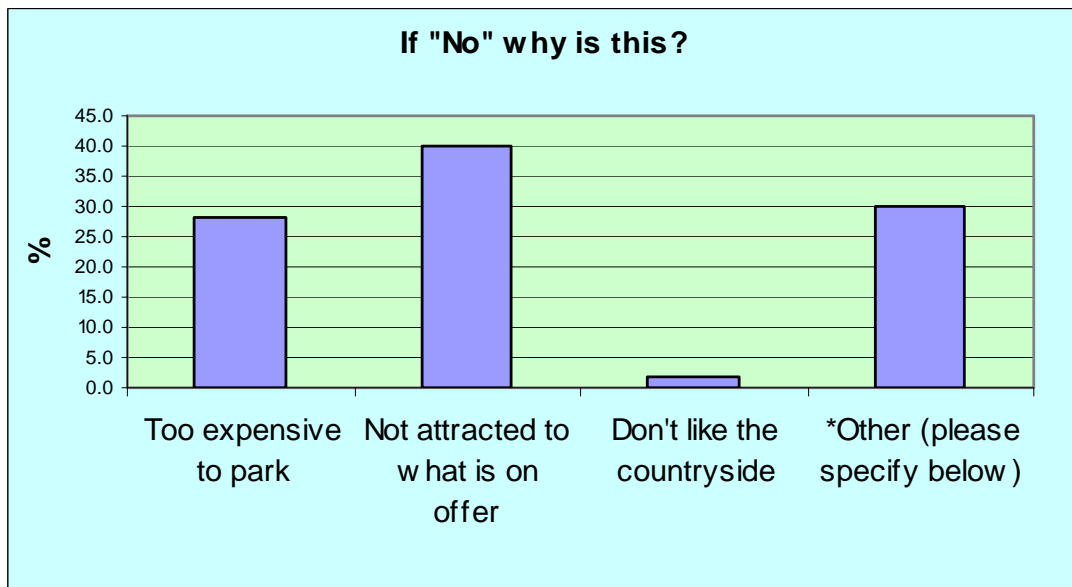
4.3: Moors Valley Country Park & Open Spaces

4.3.8: Have you ever been to Moors Valley Country Park?



84% of panel members have been to Moors Valley. Members in Verwood are more likely to have visited MVCP. Members in Corfe Mullen are less likely to have visited.

4.3.9: If "No," why is this?

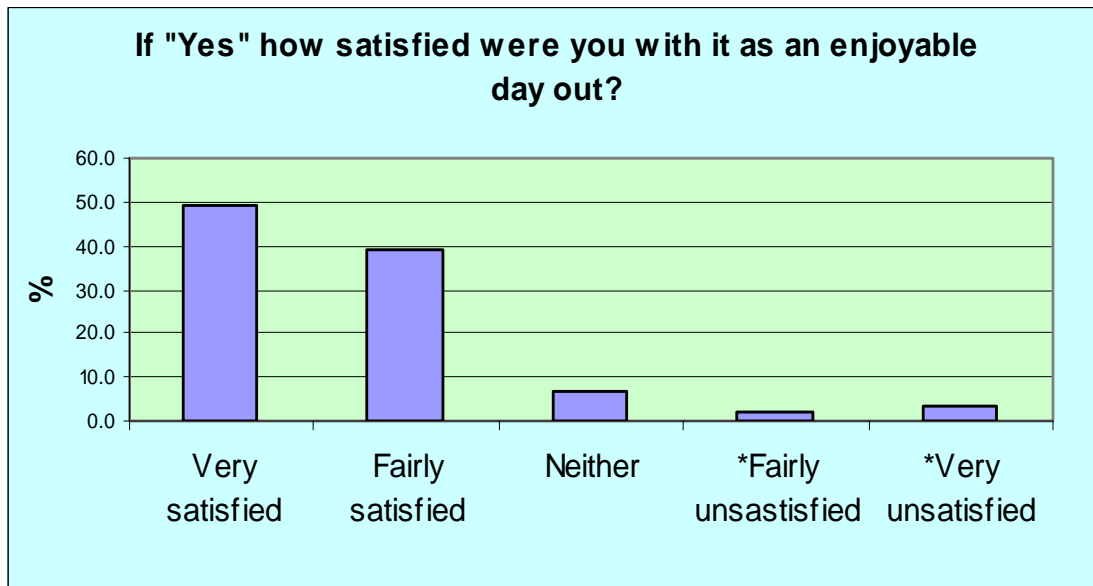


40% of members who haven't been to MVCP say it's because they are not attracted to what is on offer. Members from Ferndown have a bigger issue with the cost of parking as to why they don't go than other wards. Members in Wimborne & Colehill feel more strongly about not being attracted to what's on offer there.

Of those who don't go to MVCP and that ticked "other" the following are the main reasons. No reason to go or not suitable for them is the main reason.

Table 9: Other reasons for not going to MVCP.		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
No reason to go/not suitable	4	14.3
No car/transport	2	7.1
Public transport unreliable	1	3.6
Disability	3	10.7
No children	1	3.6
No time	3	10.7
Other more convenient facilities	3	10.7
Distance to location	1	3.6
Parking too expensive	3	10.7
Not aware	1	3.6
Other	6	21.4
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	28	100.0
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Total (Base)	355	N/A

4.3.10: If "Yes," how satisfied were you with it as an enjoyable day out?

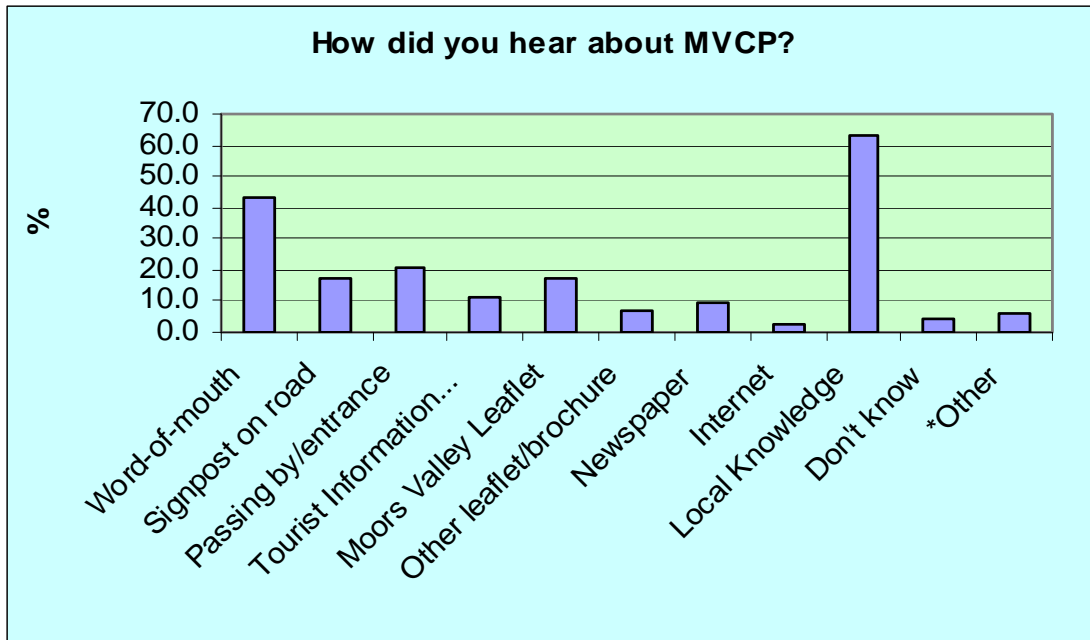


88% of members who visited MVCP were very or fairly satisfied with their visit as an enjoyable day out. Members in Verwood are most satisfied (98%).

Table 10: If unsatisfied why was this?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Disabled parking	3	12.5
Cost of parking	13	54.2
Food & beverages expensive	1	4.2
Too many children	1	4.2
Unsuitable	4	16.7
Other	2	8.3
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	24	100.0
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Total (Base)	355	N/A

The high cost of parking is the main reason why members were dissatisfied.

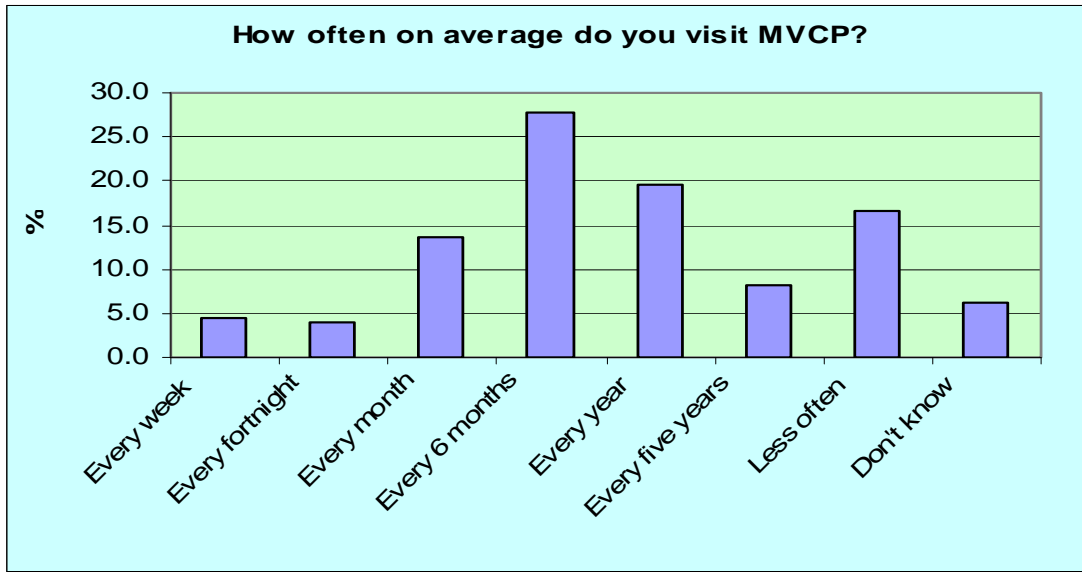
4.3.11: How did you hear about MVCP?



The vast majority know about MVCP through local knowledge.

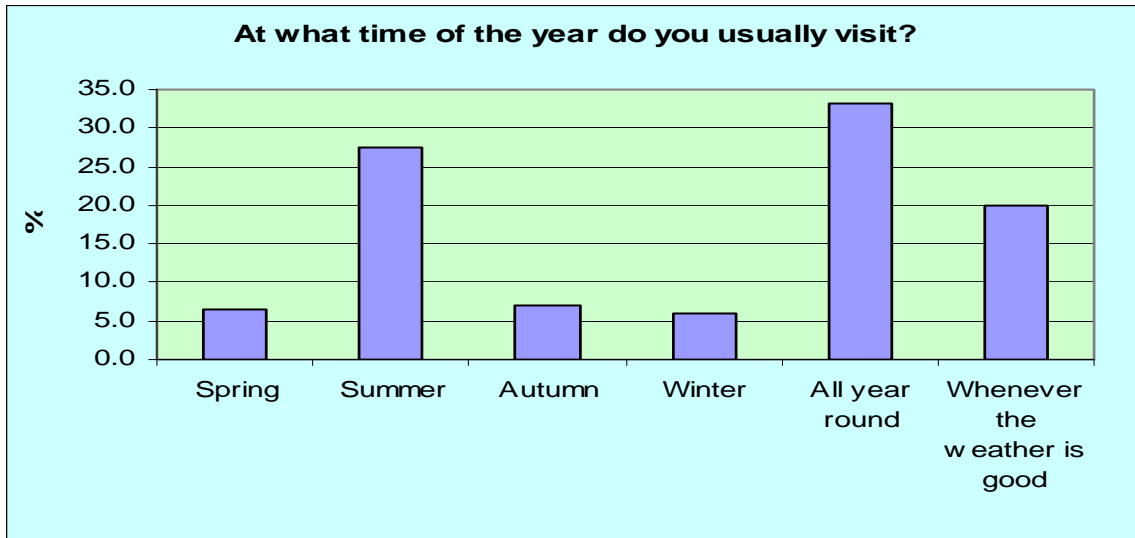
Table 11: Other		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Live nearby	7	29.2
Local clubs	1	4.2
Local knowledge	7	29.2
Concerts	1	4.2
Employee	3	12.5
Other	5	20.8
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	24	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

4.3.12: How often on average do you visit MVCP?



The majority of members visit every 6 months and only 4% go weekly.

4.3.13: At what time of the year do you visit MVCP?



A third of members go all year round with a quarter going in summer. A fifth are fair weather visitors only going when weather is good enough.

4.3.14: Approximately how long do you spend at each visit?

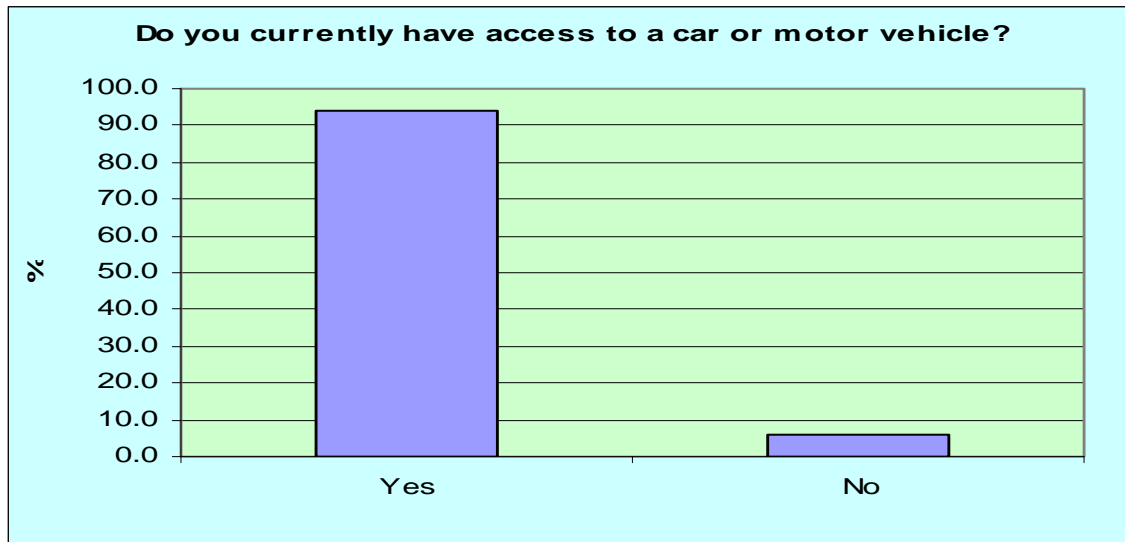
Members spend on Average 2.7 hours at each visit to MVCP. Half an hour is the shortest time and 8 hours is the longest.

4.3.15: What do you particularly like about MVCP?

Table 15: What do you particularly like about MVCP		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Facilities/amenities/activities	60	23.8
Play areas for children/trails/safe areas etc	46	18.3
Walks/open spaces/peace & tranquillity etc	79	31.3
Cycle friendly	9	3.6
Suitable for families/all age groups	13	5.2
Suitable for dogs	3	1.2
Wildlife/fauna/scenery	9	3.6
Exhibitions/events	5	2.0
Park design & maintenance/location etc	12	4.8
Other	16	6.3
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	252	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

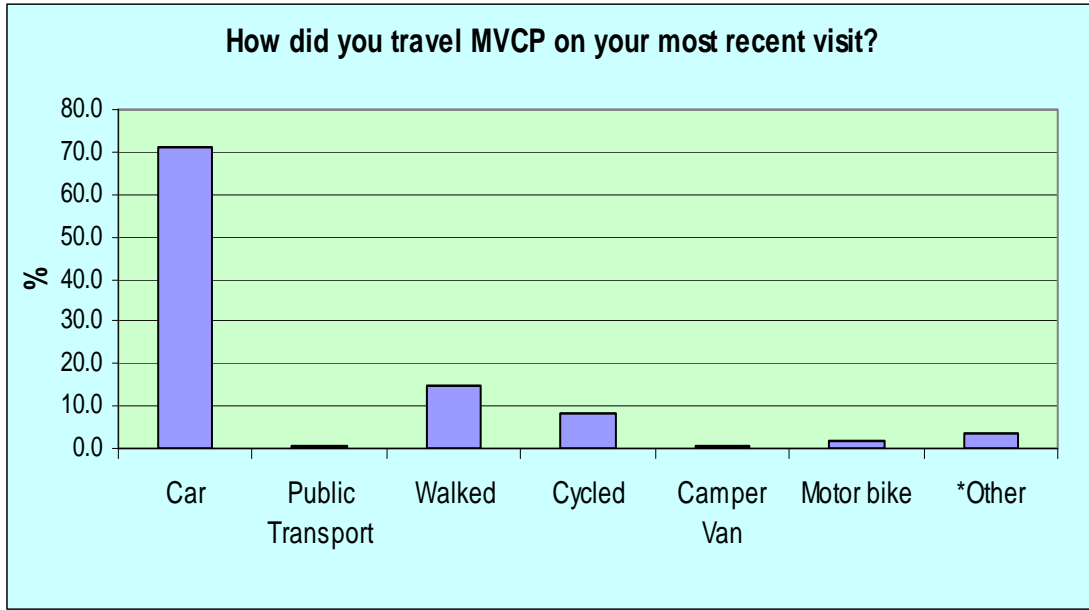
Being able to walk in open spaces and enjoy the peace and tranquillity are the main reasons for enjoying MVCP.

4.3.16: Do you currently have access to a vehicle?



94% of members have access to a car of other vehicle.

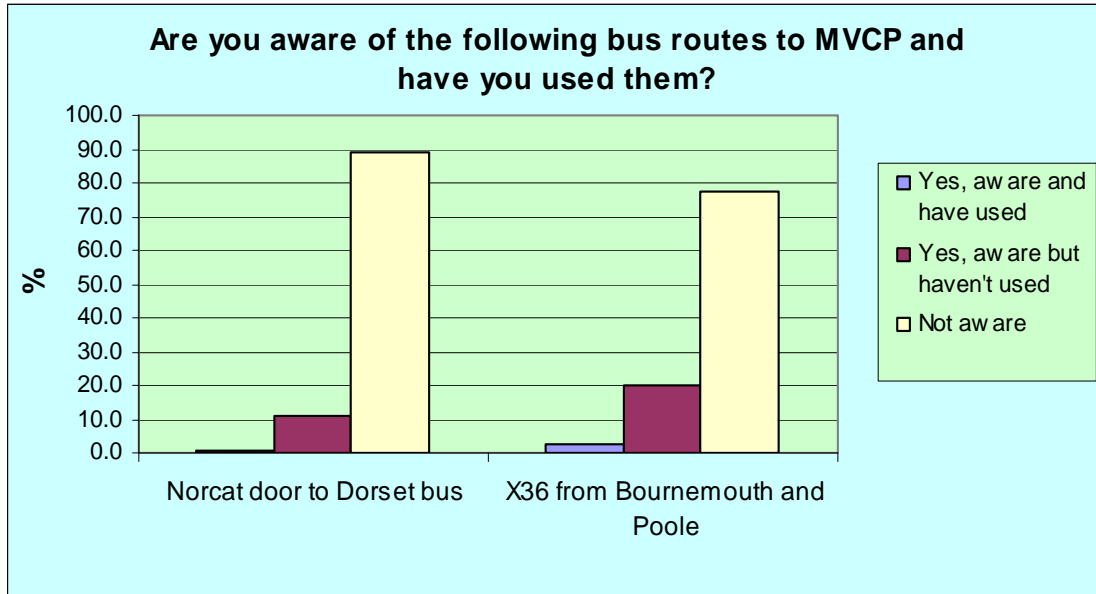
4.3.17: How did you travel to MVCP on your most recent visit?



71% of members went by car the last time they visited MVCP. Of those ticking other the following table shows how people got to MVCP.

Table 17: Other method of travel to MVCP		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Invalid vehicle	1	12.5
Travel with someone else	2	25.0
School coach trip	1	12.5
Never visited	3	37.5
Other	1	12.5
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	8	100.0
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Total (Base)	355	N/A

4.3.18: Are you aware of the following bus routes to MVCP and have you used them?



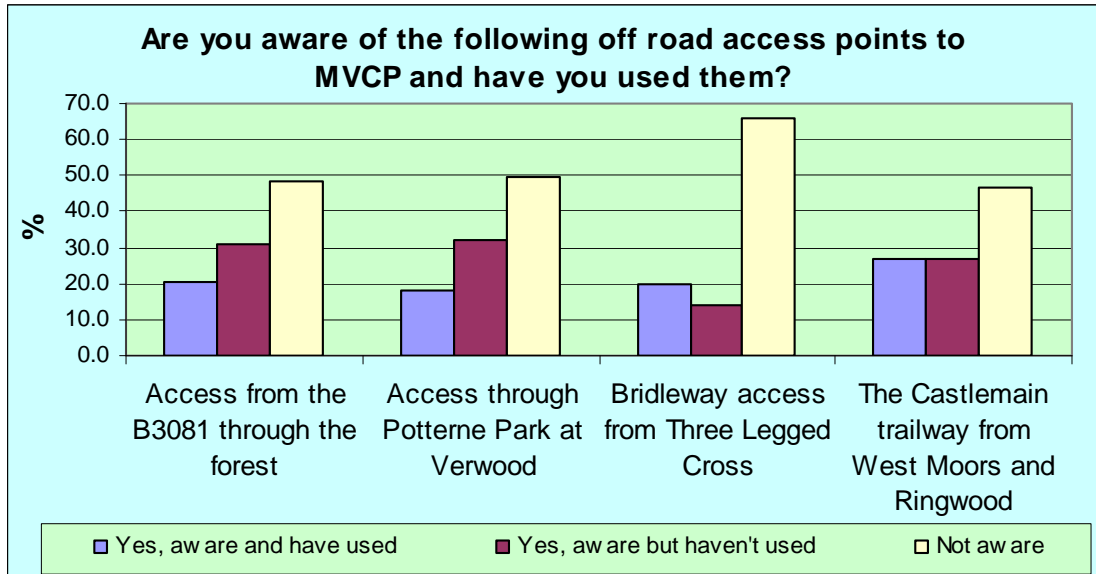
89% and 77% of members are not aware of either Norcat or X36 bus routes. However 3% of members have used the X36 route.

4.3.19: If you haven't used the bus routes why is this?

Table 19: If you haven't used the Bus Routes why is this?		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Car owner	65	30.8
Live nearby	18	8.5
Travel by cycle/walk	12	5.7
Unsuitable/inaccessible	30	14.2
Disabled/partner disabled	7	3.3
Don't use bus/limited service	21	10.0
Too expensive	1	0.5
Time limitations/no need to go	15	7.1
Not aware	34	16.1
Other	8	3.8
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	211	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

The most common reason for not using the bus routes is because people have cars and they prefer to use them to get there.

4.3.20: Are you aware of the following off road access points to MVCP?



Just over half of members are aware of access via B3081 and a fifth has used it. Half are aware of Potterne park access and just under a fifth has used it. And just over half are aware of Castlemain trailway and quarter has used it.

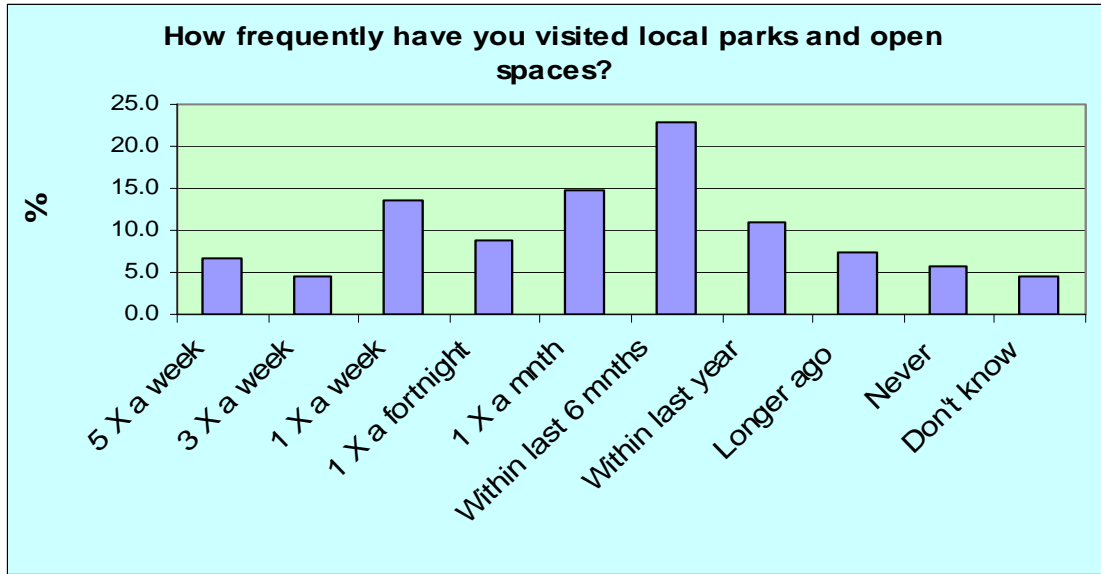
4.3.21: If you are aware but haven't used the off road access points to MVCP why is this?

Table 21: If you haven't used off road access points why is this?

	f	Valid %
Base: All (355)		
Not convenient or appropriate	81	74.3
Disabled/age	5	4.6
Use main entrance	1	0.9
Distance	12	11.0
Not aware	6	5.5
Live nearby	2	1.8
Other	2	1.8
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	109	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

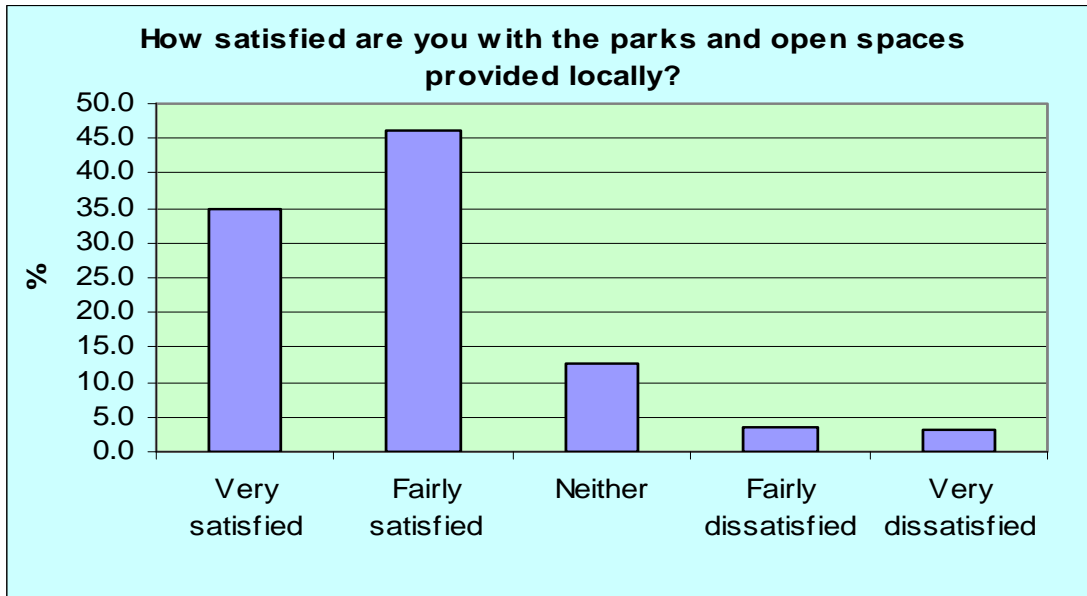
The majority of members don't use the off road access points because they are just not convenient for them.

4.3.22: How frequently do you visit local parks and open spaces?



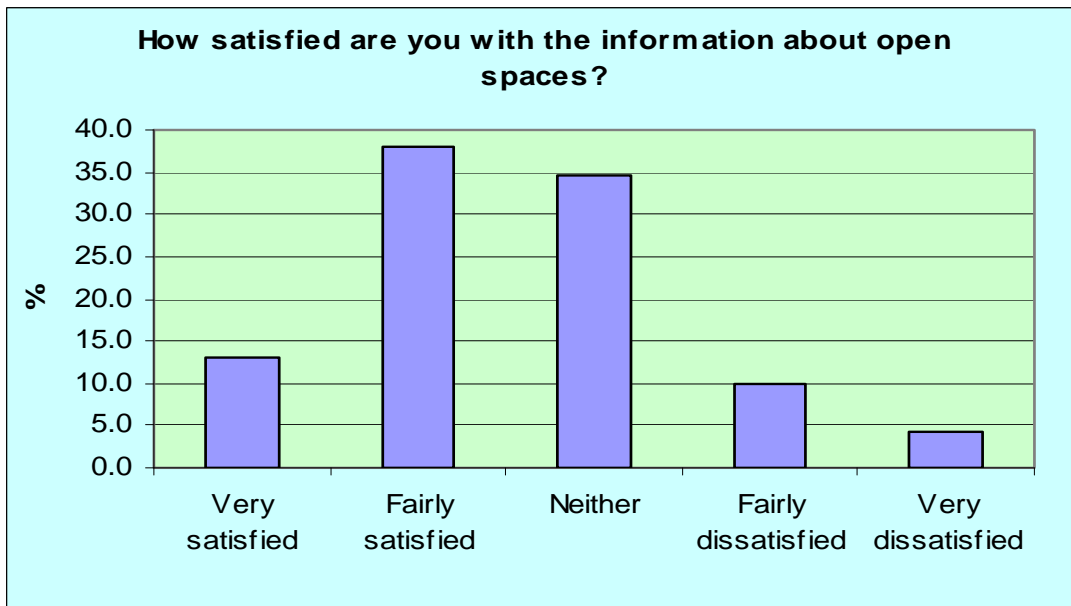
23% of members have visited once within the last 6 months. This is not as frequent as reported in March 2006 when 21% of members visited open spaces at least one a week, only 14% visit weekly at the moment.

4.3.23a: How satisfied are you with the parks and open spaces provided locally?



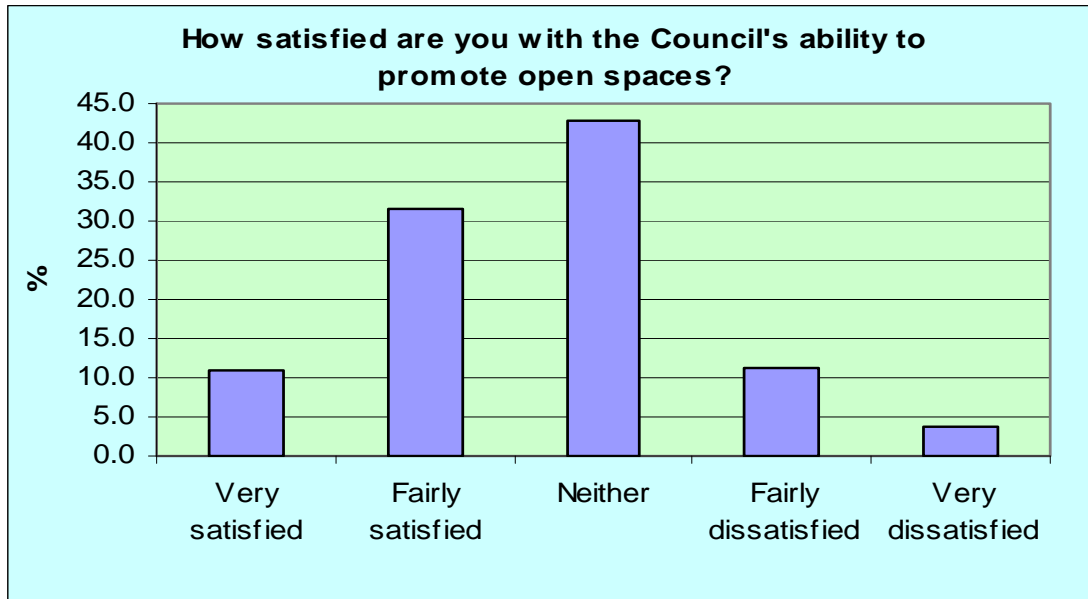
81% of members are satisfied with parks and open spaces. In March 2006 this was fractionally higher at 82%.

4.3.23b: How satisfied are you with the information provided about parks and open spaces?



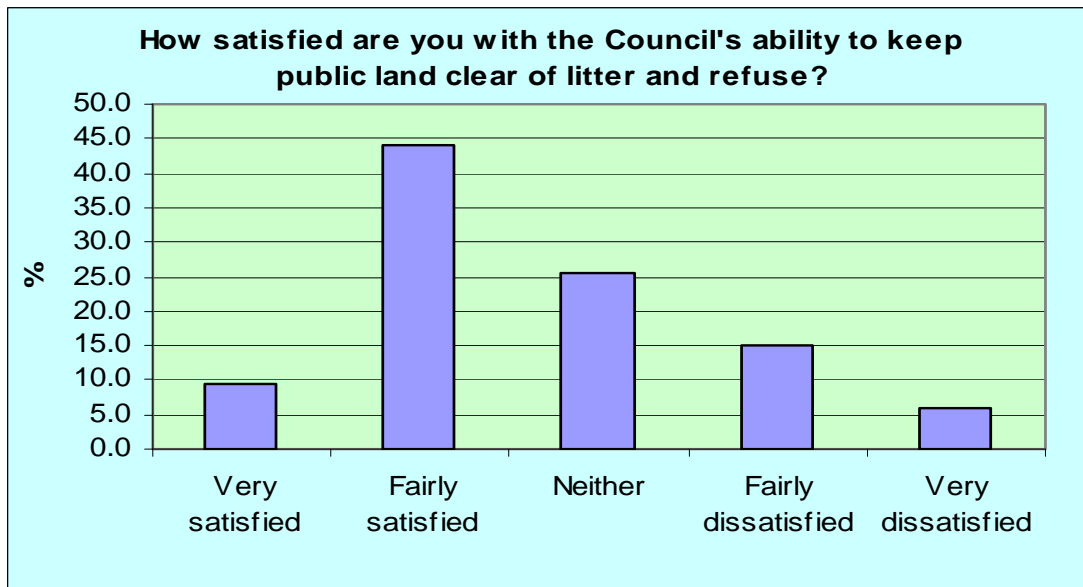
51% are satisfied with the information provision on open spaces and parks.

4.3.23c: How satisfied are you with the Council ability to promote open spaces?



51% of members are satisfied to an extent about information provided about open sites.

4.3.23d: How satisfied are you with the Council ability to keep public land clear of litter.



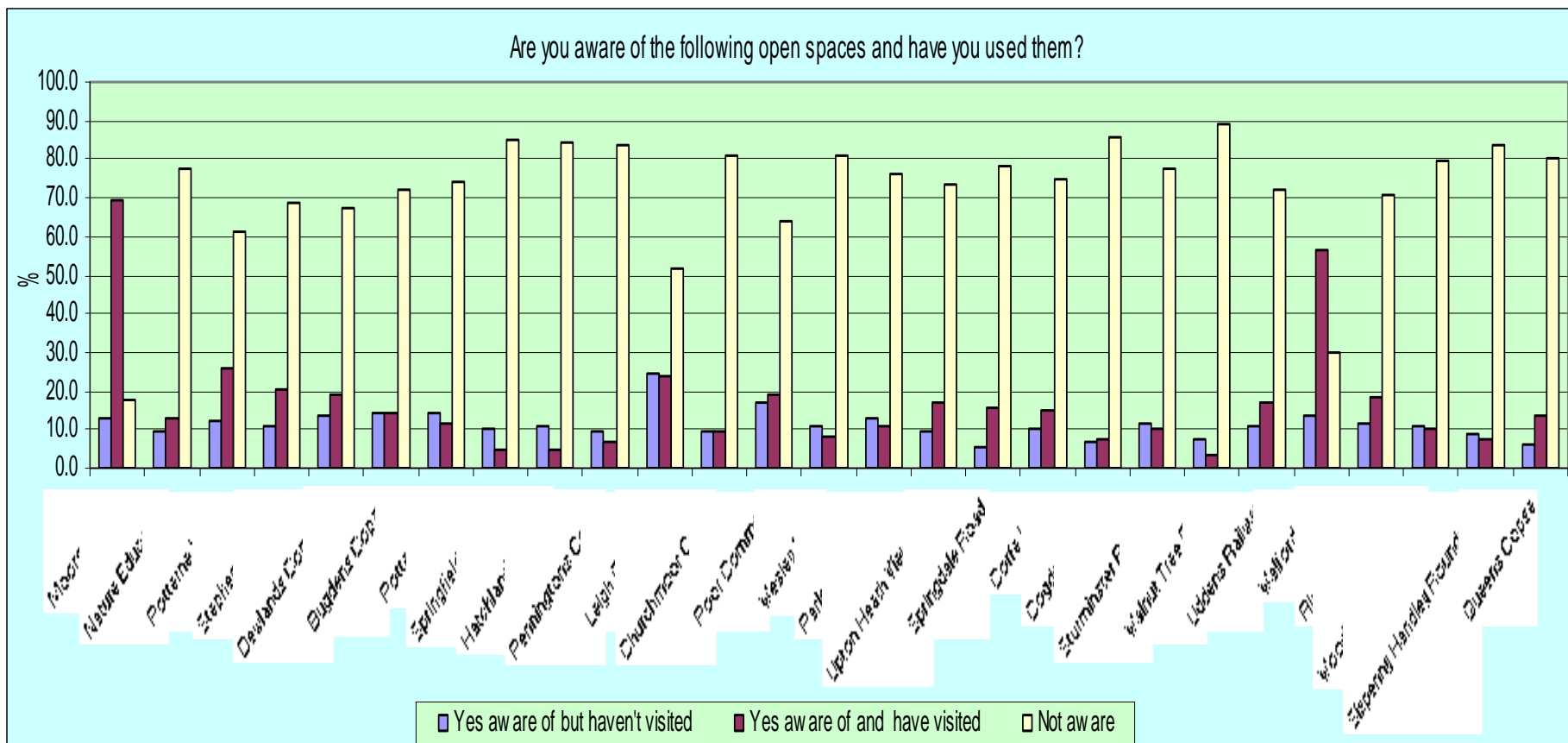
53% are satisfied with the Council's ability to keep public land free of litter and refuse. This has fallen since March 2006 when 64% of members were satisfied to an extent about Councils ability to keep open spaces clear.

4.3.24: How do you think the provision of open spaces can be improved?

Table 24: How do you think the provision of open spaces can be improved?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Improved access & management	1	0.7
Improved cleanliness/litter collection/bins	26	17.2
More publicity/advertising/exhibitions	22	14.6
More play areas/child activities	5	3.3
Cheaper car parking/admission charges	4	2.6
Improved car parking facilities	3	2.0
Better maintenance of bridleways/footpaths	7	4.6
More dog bins/dog free areas	2	1.3
Better signage	7	4.6
Improved disabled facilities	1	0.7
Provision of park wardens	5	3.3
Plant more trees	1	0.7
Safer cycle routes	2	1.3
Improved recreational facilities/amenities	15	9.9
Control of new development	6	4.0
Other/no opinion	44	29.1
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	151	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

If the cleanliness and collection of litter was improved and more information was available on open spaces and more recreational facilities were created at such sites are all ideas to improve open spaces.

4.3.25: Are you aware of the other open space sites and have you visited them?



Moors Valley (70%), and Walford Mill (56%), are the best known sites and most the most visited, with Leigh Common, Potterne Wood Stephens Castle, and Dewlands Common are also known and visited by a few members. Walnut Tree field is the least know followed by Cogden Elms.

4.3.26: How satisfied are you with the cultural, sports and leisure facilities?



62% of members are satisfied with cultural facilities and 54% are satisfied with sports. This has fallen slightly since March 2006 when 66% members were satisfied with Cultural facilities and more noticeably for sports facilities which was 65%.

Cultural facilities are rated lowest in St Leonards and Ferndown Wards at 46% and 48% respectively. Sports facilities are also rated lowest in St Leonards (36%) and Ferndown (39%). Wards happiest with Culture facilities are the Rural areas and Wimborne & Colehill and Wards happiest with Sports facilities are Wimborne & Colehill and Corfe Mullen

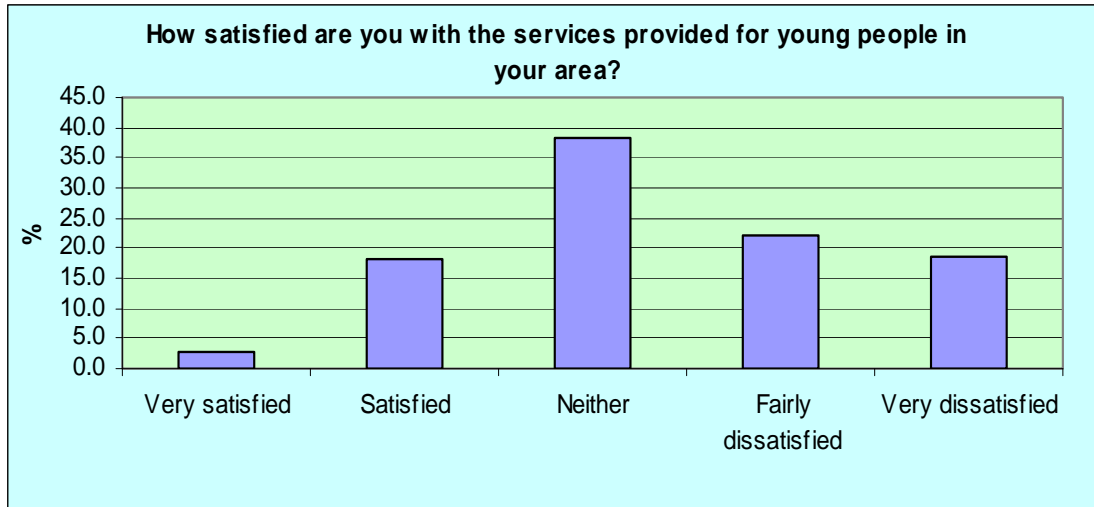
4.3.27: How do you think the provision of leisure, sport and recreation facilities can be improved within the district?

	f	Valid %
Base: All (355)		
More publicity/advertising/information	18	10.7
Improved/increased facilities/amenities	44	26.2
Reduced admission/membership charges	17	10.1
Improved cycle access	1	0.6
Better public transport links to facilities	4	2.4
Provision of swimming pool in Verwood	21	12.5
Improved opening hours	2	1.2
More investment	3	1.8
More activities/events	1	0.6
No opinion/other	57	33.9
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	168	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Increasing the number of facilities and amenities would be an improvement. Full suggestions and ideas can be found in the Appendices. Many members would like a swimming pool in Verwood.

4.4: Young People

4.4.28: How satisfied are you with the services provided for young people?



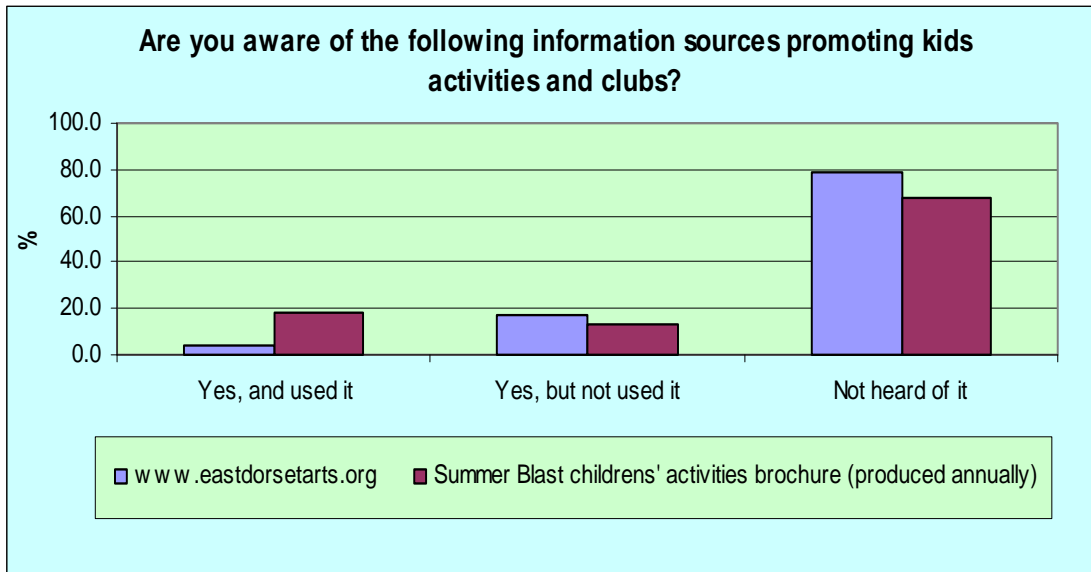
Only 21% of members are satisfied with facilities for young people. Satisfaction is worse in rural areas at 17% and St Leonards at 12%.

4.4.29: If you were dissatisfied with services for young people why is this?

Base: All (355)		
	<i>f</i>	Valid %
No youth workers/lack of supervision	2	3.2
Inadequate activities/facilities	35	56.5
Unsuitable youth club	1	1.6
Inadequate provision for disabled	1	1.6
Other	23	37.1
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	62	100.0
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Total (Base)	355	N/A

The sheer lack of activities and facilities is the main reason for dissatisfaction.

4.4.30: Were you aware of the following information sources?



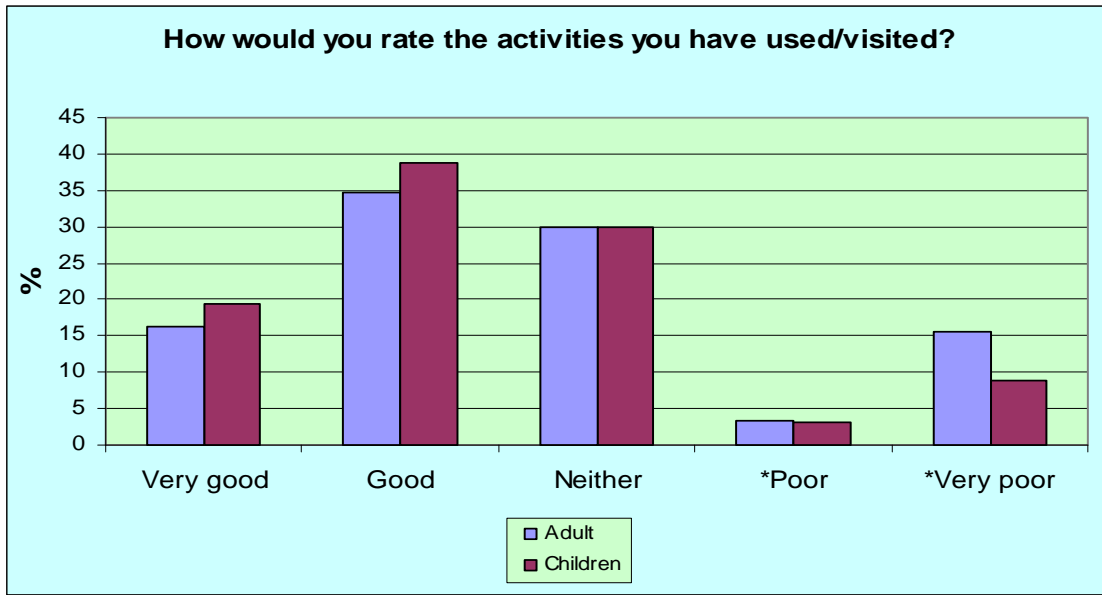
79% of members are not aware of the www.eastdorsetarts.org and 68% are not aware of Summer Blast website. Members are less aware of the websites in St Leonards.

4.4.31: What activities have you and your children used?

Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Moors Valley (Go Ape etc)	9	8.4
Potterne Park	2	1.9
Kings Park	1	0.9
St Ives Park	1	0.9
Cycling/walking/swimming/tennis etc	11	10.3
Verwood heritage centre & parks	1	0.9
Ferndown leisure centre & parks	5	4.7
Ringwood leisure centre	1	0.9
Broadstone leisure centre	1	0.9
Corfe Mullen leisure centre/rec. ground	2	1.9
QE leisure centre	6	5.6
Reddiotts recreation ground	1	0.9
Sixpenny Handley recreation ground	1	0.9
King George V playing fields	2	1.9
The Hub	2	1.9
None	24	22.4
Other	37	34.6
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	107	100.0
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Total (Base)	355	N/A

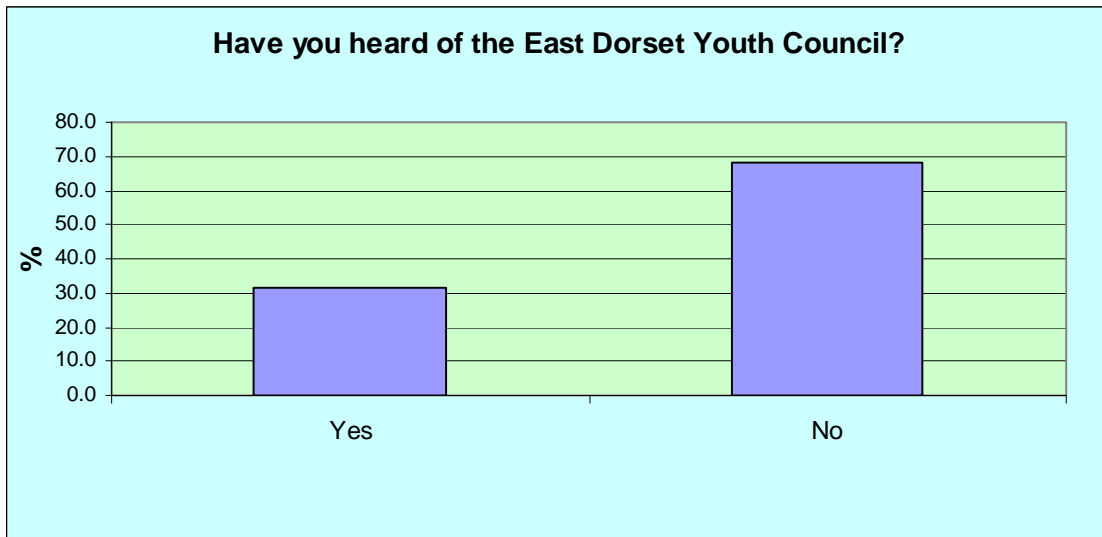
Cycling, walking and tennis are the most popular activities.

4.4.32: How would you rate the activities you have used?



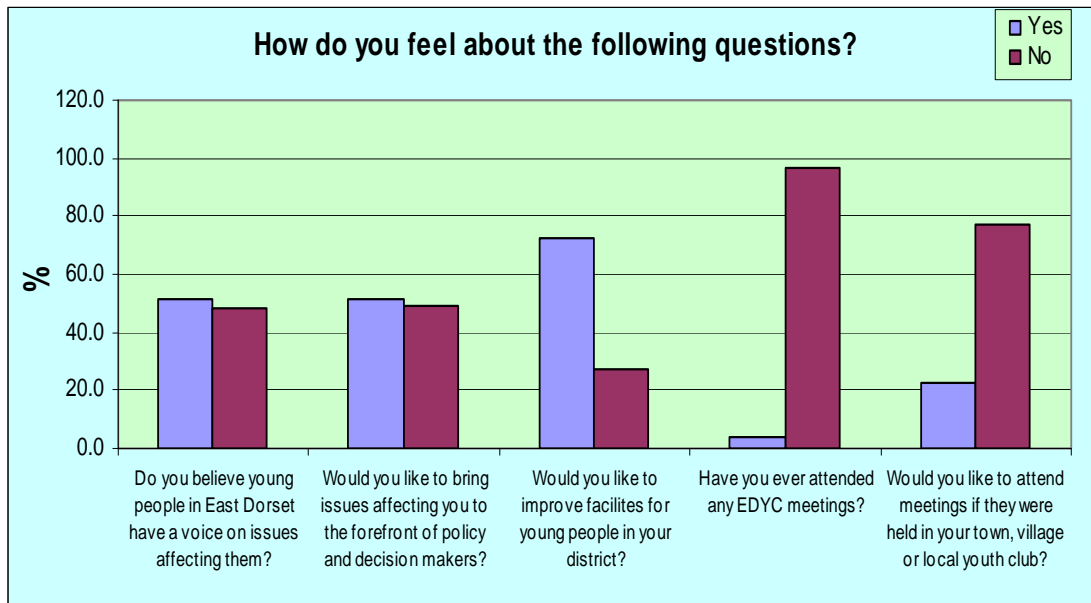
Of those members and their children who have used activities, over half rated the activities as good or very good. Some of these activities were Moors Valley Go Ape, Verwood heritage centre, Ferndown leisure centre, Ringwood Leisure Centre, QE Leisure centre, Reddiotts recreation ground, Sixpenny Handley rec. King George V playing fields, Kings Park, Potterne Park, St Ives Park. and various cycling, walking, swimming and tennis activities.

4.4.33: Have you heard of the East Dorset Youth Council?



68% of members haven't heard of the East Dorset Youth Council. Wards Wimborne & Colehill and West Moors (77%) are both less likely to have heard about the Youth Council. The Rural areas are best informed with 40% having heard of the Youth Council. 75plus age groups are more likely to know about the Youth Council than any other age group.

4.4.34: How do you feel about the following questions?



Just over half of members think that young people do have a voice on issues affecting them. This feeling is strongest in Corfe Mullen (60%). And worst in Ferndown (33%).

Again just over half would like to bring issues affecting them to the forefront of policy. This is strongest in Verwood (62%) and weakest in Corfe Mullen (35%).

Three quarters of panel members would like to improve facilities for young people. This is strongest in the Rural areas (89%) and weakest in West Moors (36%). Over 75 year olds feel strongest about improving facilities for young people.

The vast majority have never visited an EDYC meeting. A couple have attended in Corfe Mullen, Ferndown and Verwood.

Just under a third said they would attend meetings if they were held locally this would be supported best in St Leonards (35%) This is strongest in the 25-44 year old age groups.

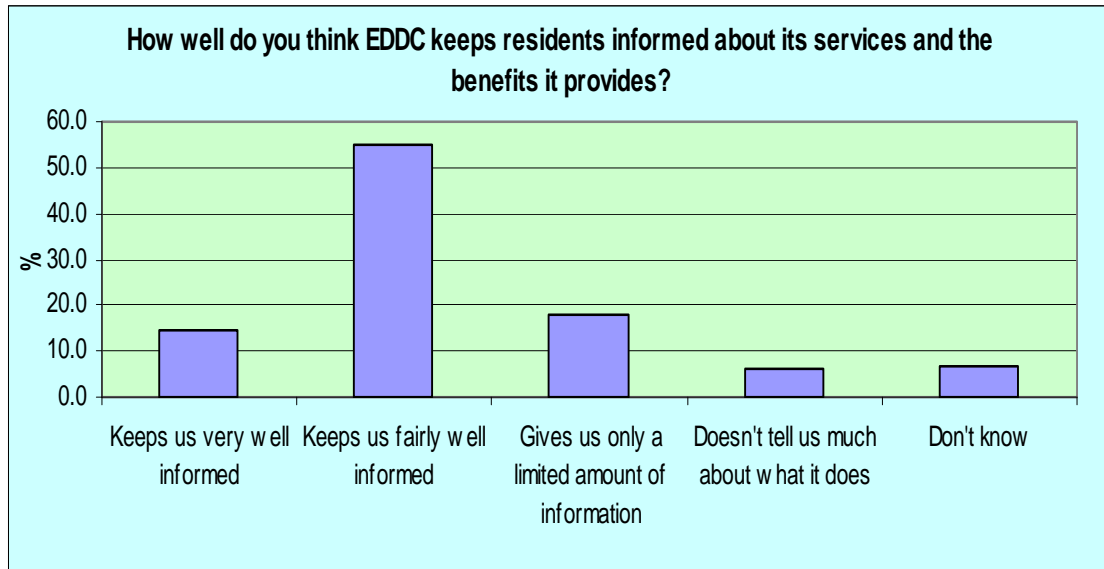
4.4.35: What facilities or services would you like to see provided by EDDC to help improve the lives of young people?

Table 35: What facilities would you like to see for young people?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Provision of youth clubs/drop in centres etc	28	26.7
Youth workers	2	1.9
Improved public transport/better access	7	6.7
More activities/facilities/amenities	30	28.6
Better advertising of activities/facilities	2	1.9
Other	36	34.3
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	105	100.0
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Total (Base)	355	N/A

The full list of suggestions can be found in the Appendices. More youth clubs is a popular wish.

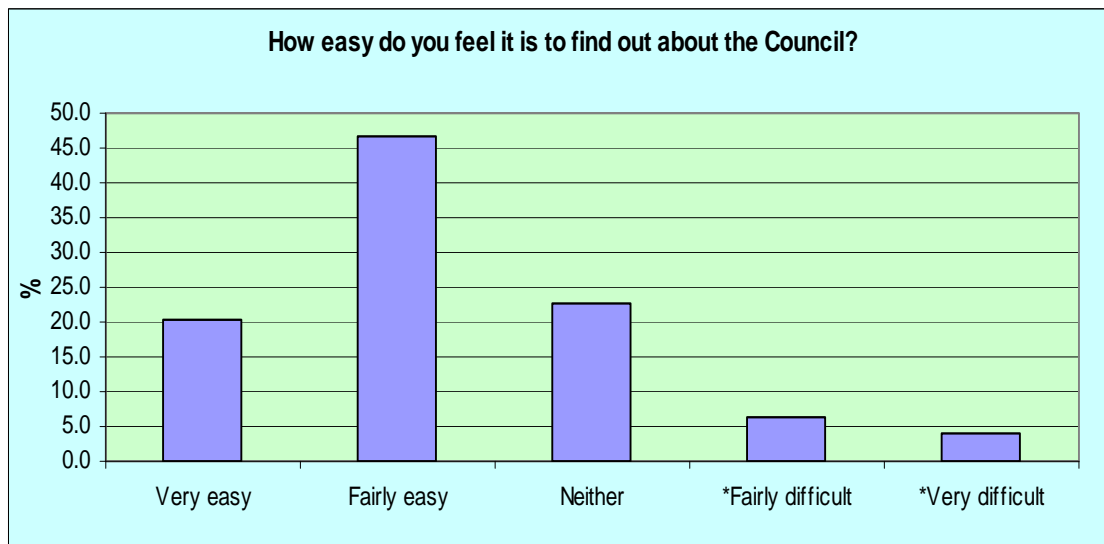
4.5: Communication

4.5.36: How well do you think EDDC keeps residents informed?



70% of panel members think that the Council keeps residents informed about services and benefits; this is the same as recorded in the March 2006 survey. This is rated highest in Corfe Mullen ward (73%) and lowest in St Leonards.

4.5.37: How easy do you feel it is to find out about the Council?

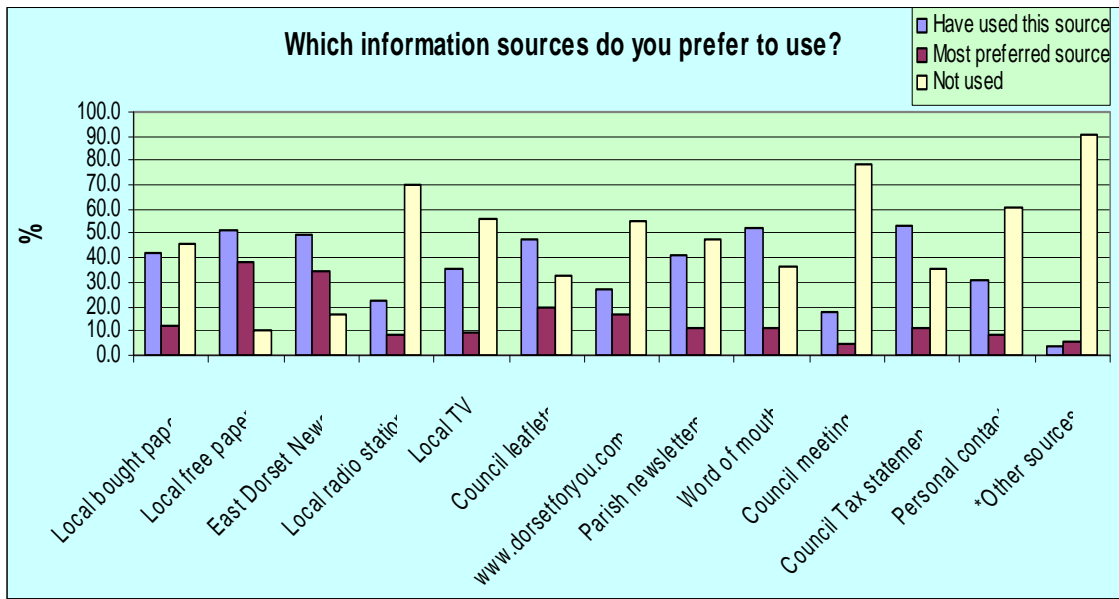


67% of members thinks it's easy to an extent to find out about the Council, this has dropped a little since March 2006 when it was 74%. West Moors finds it easier than other wards (73%) and St Leonards finds it hardest (42%).

Table 37: If difficult why is this?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Problems with phone service	4	11.8
Not clear which department required	2	5.9
Inadequate information/help/feedback	14	41.2
No telephone or internet access	1	2.9
Poor website	6	17.6
Other	7	20.6
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	34	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Of those who feel its difficult to find out about the Council complain about inadequate information, help and feedback.

4.5.38: Which of the following information sources have you used and prefer to use?

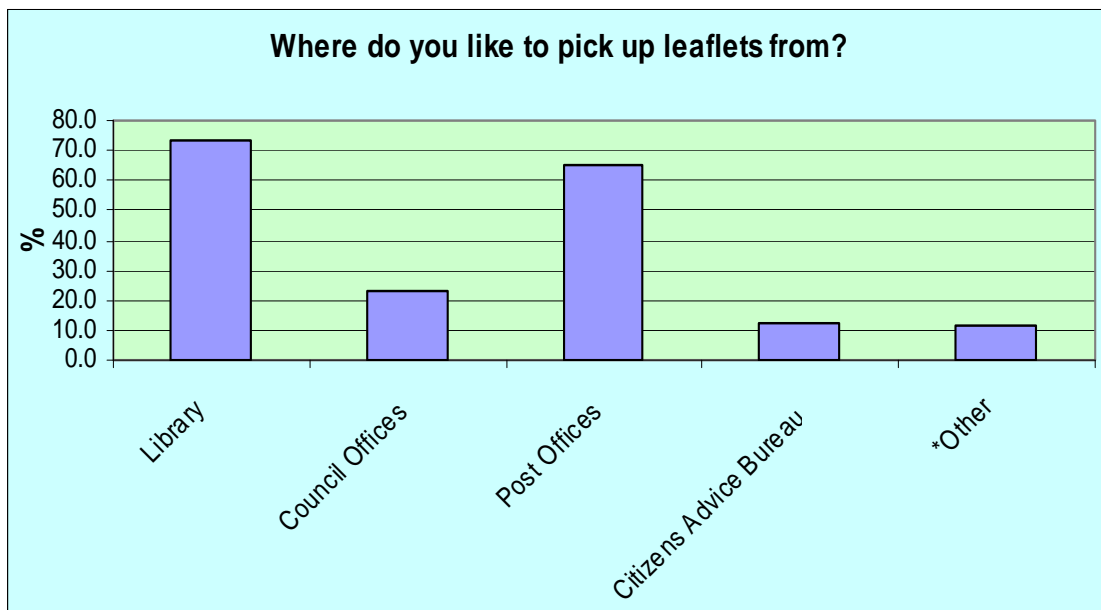


The local free paper is still the most preferred by panel members (34%) although this has fallen since March 2006 from 82%. Council tax statements have been the most used (53%) this was 42% in March along with word of mouth (49%).this was 35% in March 2006.

Table 38: Other info provision?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Library	2	12.5
Tourist information office	1	6.3
Contact with councillor	2	12.5
Delivered to door/posted	3	18.8
Neighbourhood watch newsletter	1	6.3
Community centre	1	6.3
Local action group	2	12.5
Phone	2	12.5
Other	2	12.5
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	16	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

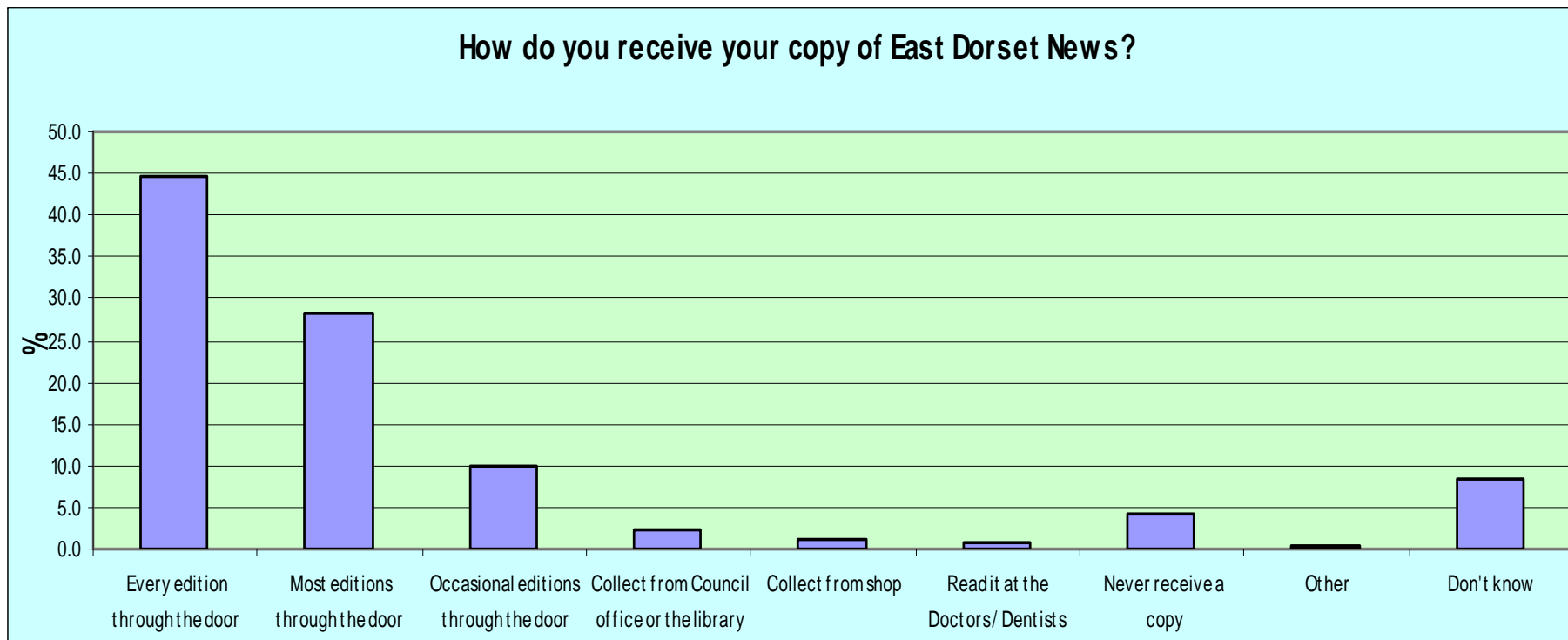
The Table above shows other means of information sources.

4.5.39: If you prefer leaflets where do you like to pick them up from?



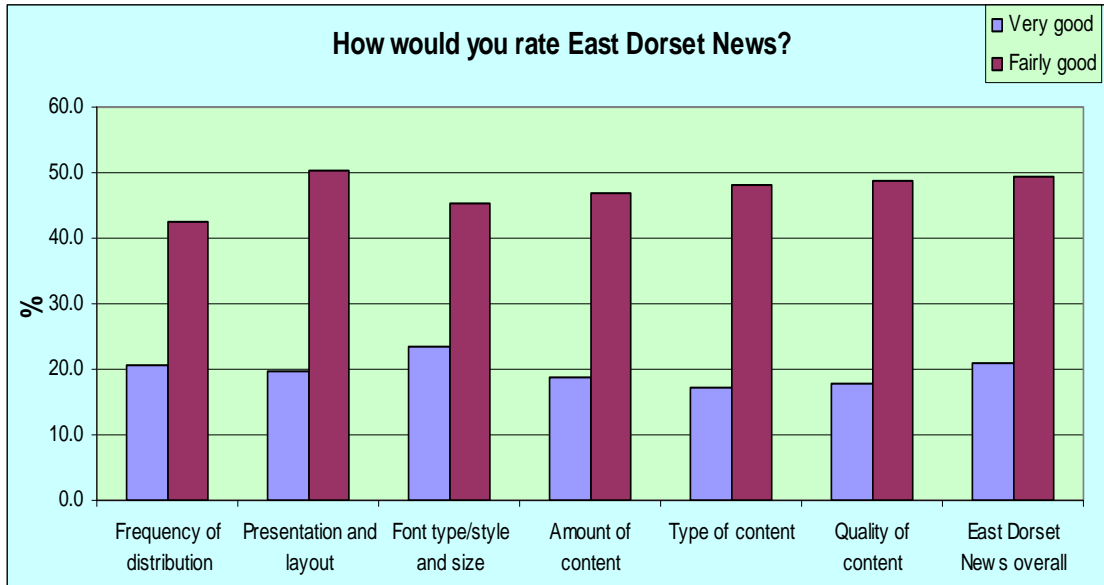
Of those that prefer leaflets 73% like to pick them up from Libraries and 66% like the Post Office. Of those who ticked other, local shops and newsagents are other places to use.

4.5.40: How do you receive your copy of East Dorset News?



Just under half of members receive every edition of EDN. This is an increase on March 2006 figures when only 36% had every edition through the door. Corfe Mullen is the ward with members receiving the most editions through the door (55%).

4.5.41: How would you rate East Dorset News on the following?



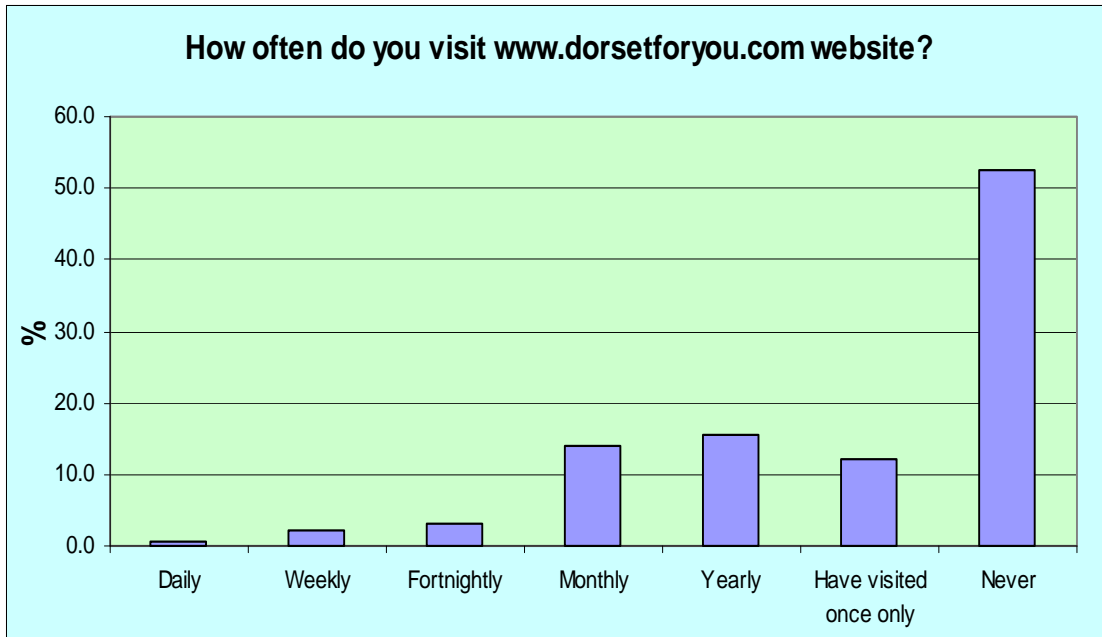
All aspects of the EDN are rated fairly well at between 63%-70% however all these ratings have dropped slightly since March 2006 when they were all between 68% and 83%. Reasons why EDN was rated poorly was because delivery was not adequate or frequent enough.

4.5.42: If there are any areas of Council business or local news you would like included in East Dorset News please record them below?

Table 42: Areas of local news you would like included in EDN		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Recycling	4	7.3
Youth service	1	1.8
Planning applications/decisions	11	20.0
Street cleaning/litter picking schedules	1	1.8
Local interest crossword	1	1.8
Incineration/refuse disposal	1	1.8
Achievements of young people	1	1.8
Accounts of debates & council decisions	5	9.1
Crime statistics	2	3.6
Recycling issues	1	1.8
Survey results	1	1.8
facilities/activities for retired people/pensioners	3	5.5
Activities/events	4	7.3
Other	19	34.5
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	55	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Information on planning applications and decisions are areas that members want to see in EDN.

4.5.43: How often do you visit Dorset for you Website?



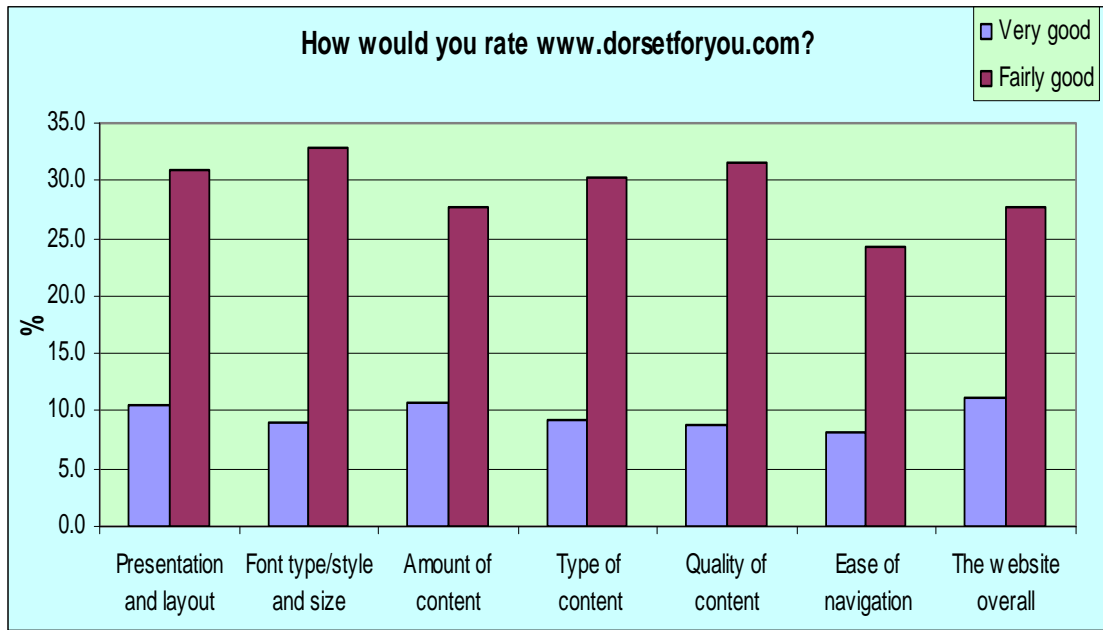
Just over half of members have never visited the website. However awareness of the site has improved as this has dropped since March 2006 when 64% had never visited the site.

4.5.44: If you have never used the website or only used it once why was this?

Table 44: If you have never used the website or only used once why is this?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
No computer/not literate	45	25.9
Difficulty in navigating website	7	4.0
No access to internet/don't use	24	13.8
No interest/reason to use/not relevant	44	25.3
Too time consuming	5	2.9
Not appropriate for age group	1	0.6
Prefer to read information/telephone	9	5.2
Not aware	22	12.6
Other	17	9.8
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	174	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Not being computer literate, not having internet access and not having a computer are the main reasons for not using the site.

4.5.45: How would you rate Dorset for you Website?



Overall the website is rated as good to some extent by 39% of members; this is an improvement since March 2006 when only 35% rated it as good or fairly good. All other specific aspect of the website has changed little since March apart from ease of navigation which has improved from 29% to 33%.

Base: All (355)		
	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Difficult/complicated site to navigate	11	24.4
Subject matter/details hard to find	8	17.8
Lack of information/not clear	4	8.9
Other	22	48.9
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	45	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

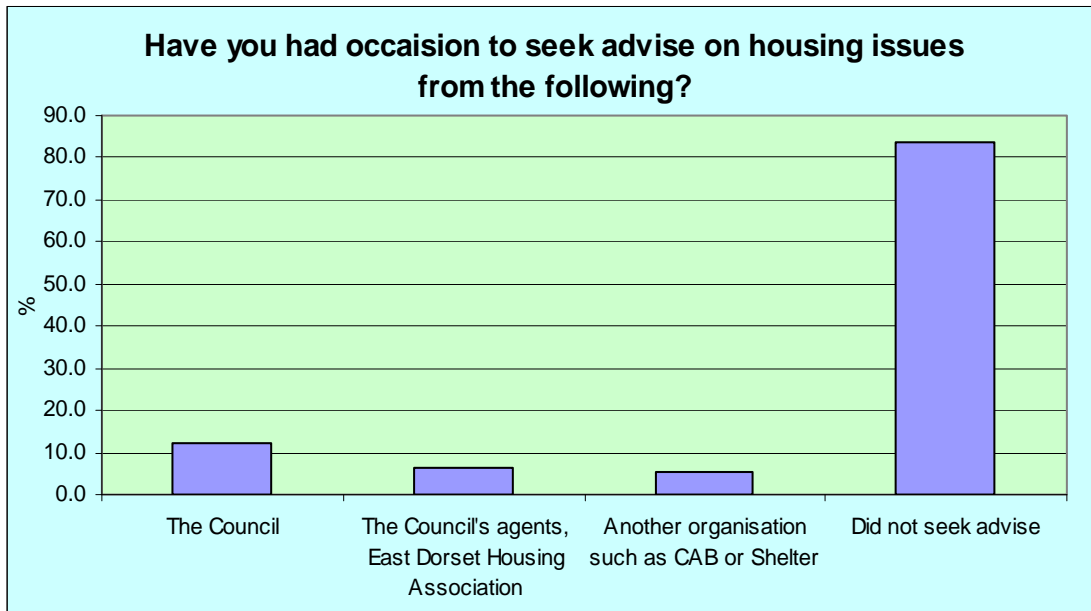
Being difficult to navigate around is the main reason for rating poor. The full list can be found in the Appendices.

4.5.46: If you have any suggestions as to how we might improve the way in which we keep residents informed of the services and benefits we provide please record them below?

Table 46: Suggestions for improvement?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Ease of use for senior citizens	1	3.2
More info/contact from councillors	4	12.9
More information in local/free papers	5	16.1
Provide a decent website	3	9.7
Regular newsletter	7	22.6
Email	4	12.9
More information for pensioners	2	6.5
TV/radio announcements	1	3.2
Information by post/flyers	2	6.5
Leaflets in libraries etc	2	6.5
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	31	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

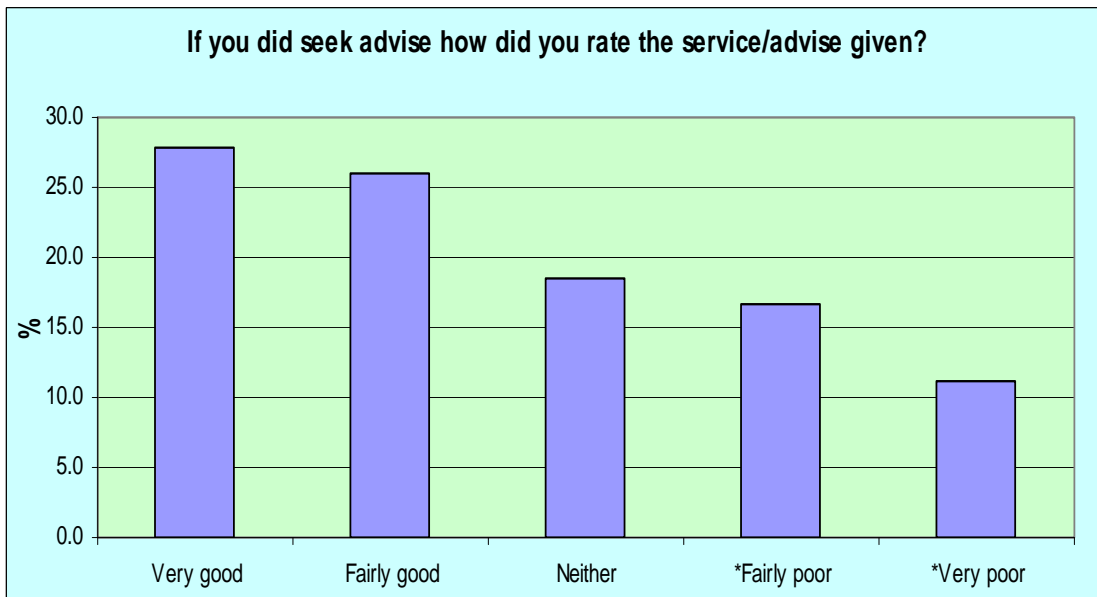
A regular newsletter was the commonest request, the full list can be found in the Appendices.

4.5.47: Have you had an occasion to seek housing advice from the following?



84% of members have not sought advice on housing issues in the last 6 months.

4.5.48 If you did how would you rate the service?

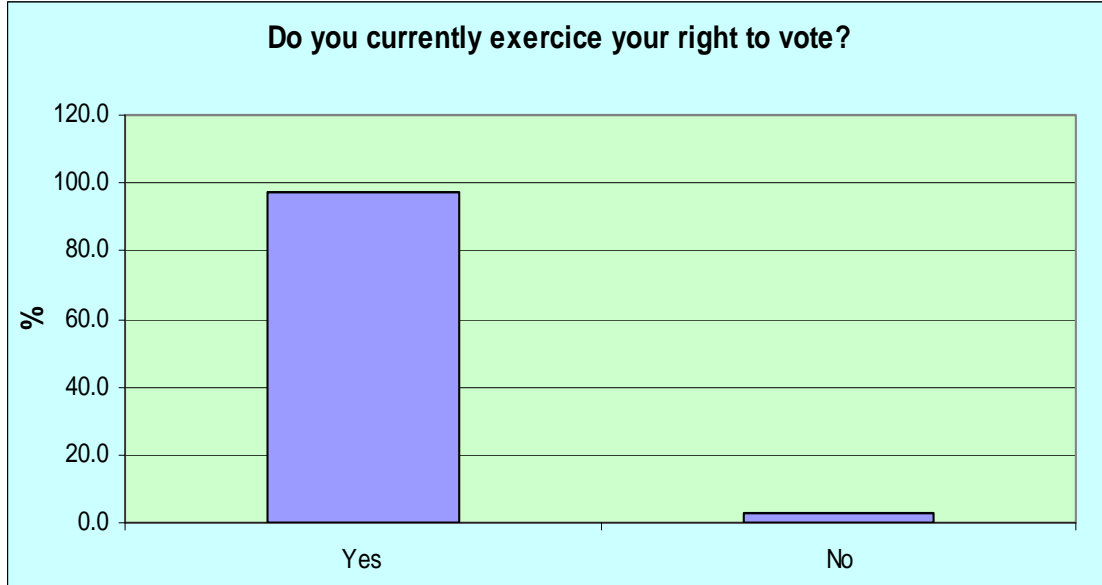


Over half of those that did seek advice from the Council, ED Housing Assoc. or any other organisation did rate the service good to an extent.

Reasons for poor ratings were no being kept informed, the full list can be found in the Appendices.

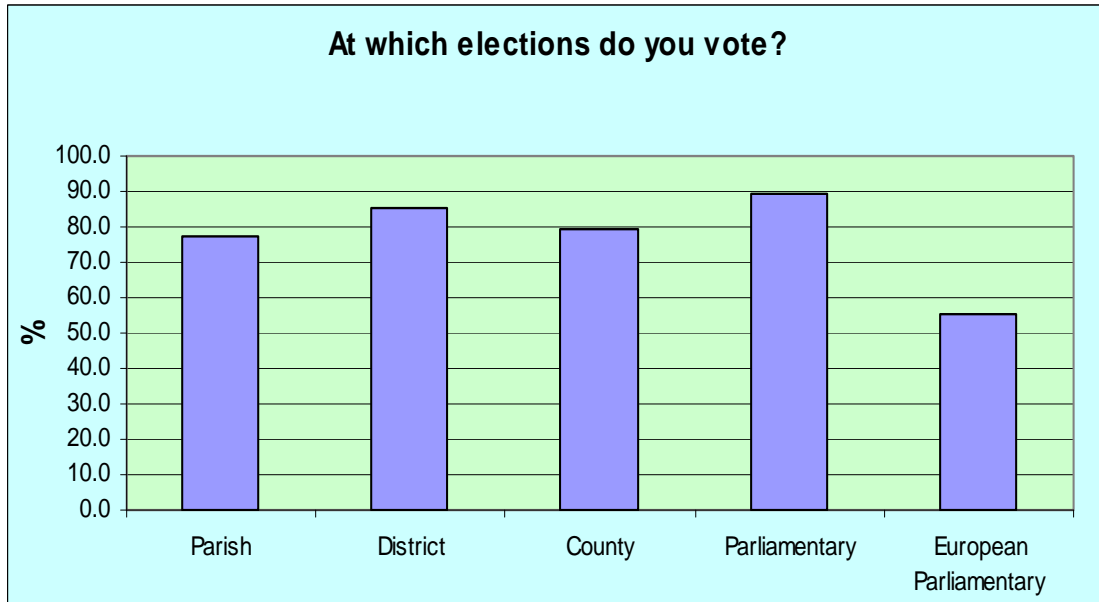
4.6: Elections

4.6.49 Do you currently exercise your right to vote?



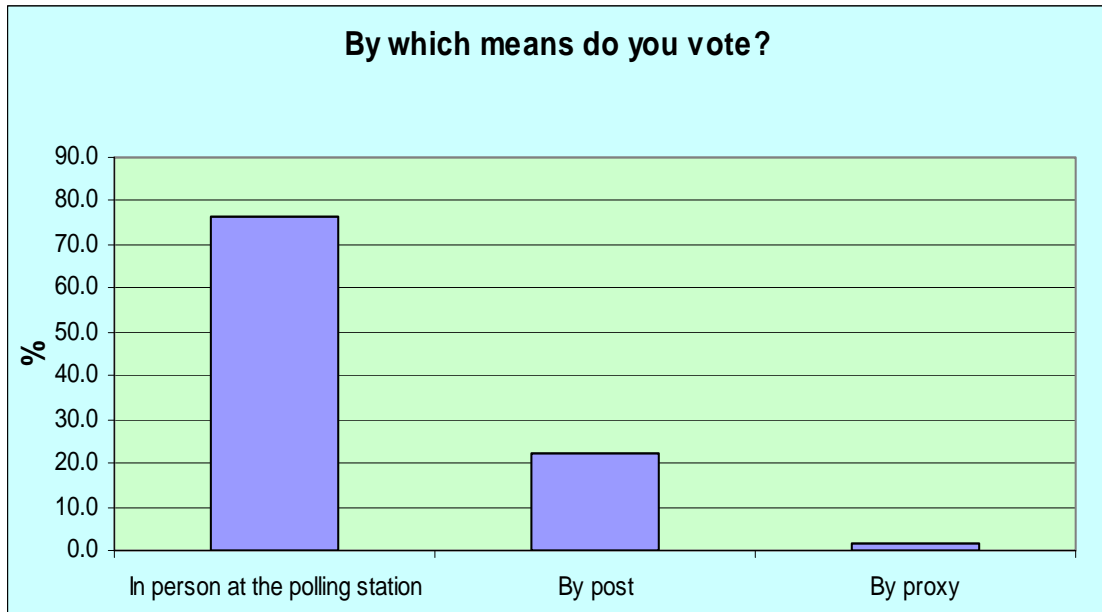
Only 3% of members did not vote. The age group 25-44 was the most likely not to vote.7%.

4.6.50 At which elections do you vote?



European elections is the least popular for voting on, with only just over half of members exercising their right.

4.6.51: By what means do you usually vote?

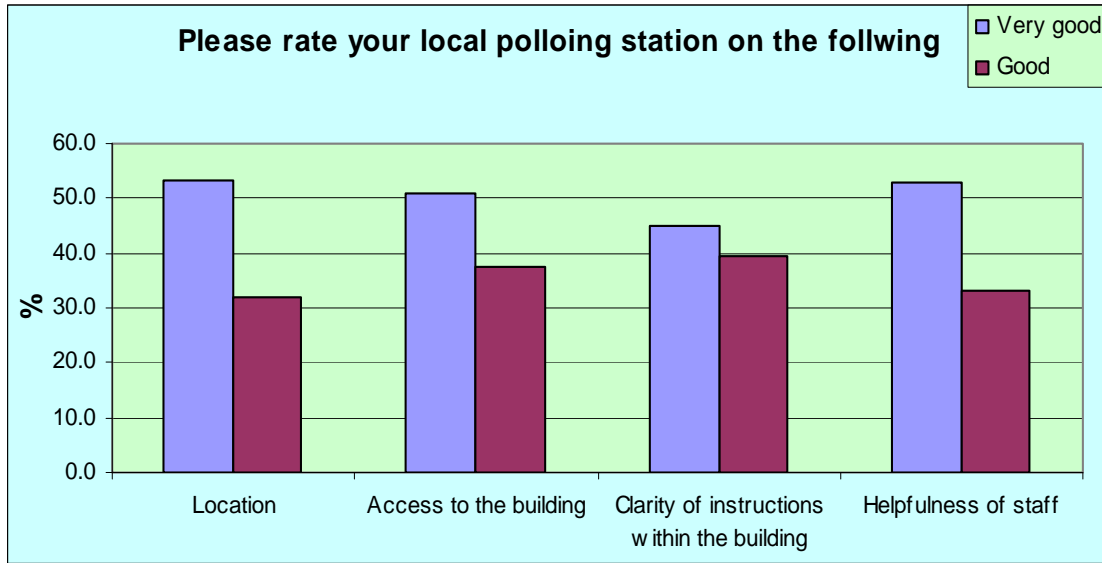


The vast majority vote in person and a fifth vote by post. Postal voting appears to be slightly more popular in Verwood (32%) and Ferndown (29%) with the 75 plus age range also being more likely to vote by post than other age groups (32%).

4.6.52: Which polling station did you use?

Table 52: Polling stations used		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Colehill memorial hall	23	8.6
Corfe Mullen village hall	8	3.0
Three Legged Cross village hall	6	2.2
Ferndown village hall	10	3.7
Alderholt village hall	6	2.2
Verwood memorial hall	10	3.7
West Moors memorial hall	13	4.8
Wimborne St Giles hall	3	1.1
Sixpenny Handley village hall	4	1.5
St Michaels church hall	9	3.3
Cranborne village hall	3	1.1
Holt parish hall	3	1.1
Hinton Martell old school hall	1	0.4
Stapehill village hall	1	0.4
St Leonards village hall	2	0.7
Woodlands village hall	5	1.9
Horton & Chalbury village hall	1	0.4
St Anthony's church hall	2	0.7
St Ives church hall	7	2.6
Sturminster Marshall memorial hall	3	1.1
St Johns church hall	10	3.7
Verwood leisure centre	13	4.8
St Mary's church hall	4	1.5
Braeside Rd village hall	2	0.7
West Parley village school	3	1.1
Ferndown united reform church	1	0.4
Woolslope rd catholic church	2	0.7
Wimborne rd united reform church	2	0.7
St Mary's church	4	1.5
St Anthony's church West Moors	3	1.1
St Marks church West Parley	3	1.1
St Ives school	4	1.5
St Johns school Wimborne	3	1.1
Longham church	3	1.1
Emmanuel middle school Verwood	3	1.1
Corfe Mullen British Legion	1	0.4
Verwood scout/guide hut	4	1.5
Corfe Mullen scout hut	1	0.4
Pure drop pub Ferndown	9	3.3
Heatherlands centre Ferndown	7	2.6
Allendale house Wimborne	14	5.2
Springdale rd car park/view point	10	3.7
The Hub	8	3.0
Wimborne adult learning centre	2	0.7
Oaktree Park St Leonards	2	0.7
Not applicable/other	31	11.5
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	269	100.0
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Total (Base)	355	N/A

4.6.53: Please rate your local polling station on the following?

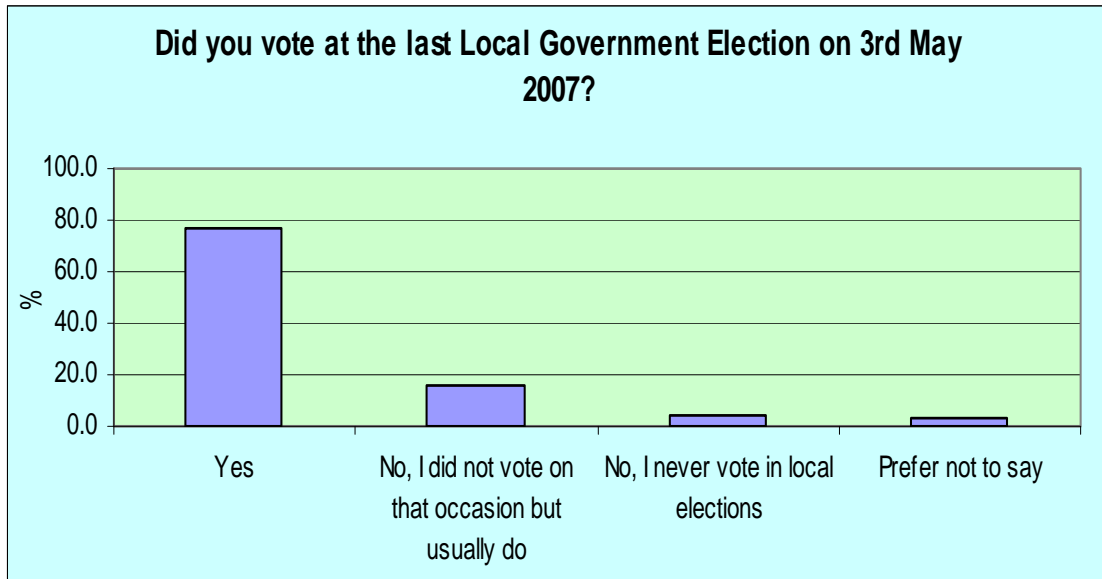


All aspects were rated well. Corfe Mullen is happiest with location and access to its polling station buildings and St Leonards is happiest with clarity of instructions and helpfulness of staff.

4.6.54: Suggested locations for polling stations?

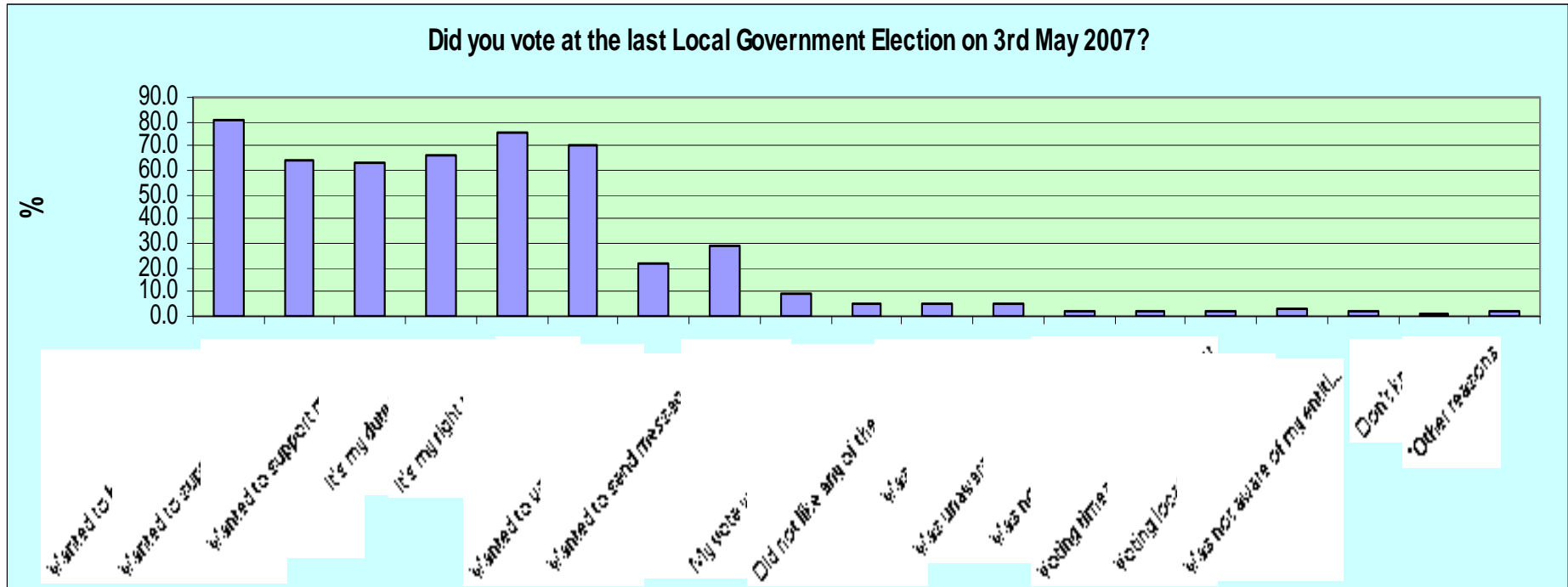
Base: All (355)		
	f	Valid %
Pinehurst chapel hall	1	1.3
St Michaels church hall	1	1.3
Pamphill village hall	1	1.3
Colehill village/memorial hall	3	3.9
Longham church hall	1	1.3
Verwood memorial hall	1	1.3
Holt parish hall	1	1.3
St Johns church hall Leigh rd	1	1.3
All saints church hall Ringwood rd	1	1.3
Three Legged Cross first school	1	1.3
West Parley first school	1	1.3
Springdale school	1	1.3
Parley school	1	1.3
Colehill first school	1	1.3
Allenview community centre	1	1.3
Ferndown centre	2	2.6
Verwood leisure centre	2	2.6
Church hill sports hall	1	1.3
Verwood hub	3	3.9
Verwood guide centre	1	1.3
Colehill library	1	1.3
Lonnen rd co-op	1	1.3
The Hub	3	3.9
Other/none	46	59.7
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	77	100.0
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Total (Base)	355	N/A

4.6.55: Did you vote at the last Government Election on 3rd May 2007?



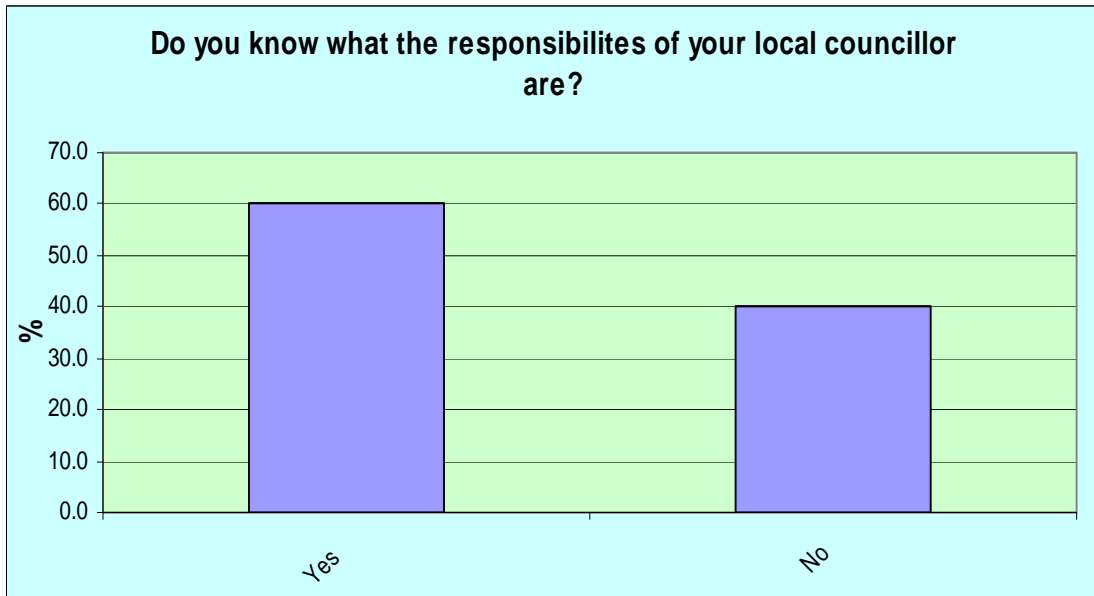
Over three quarters of members voted in the May 2007 elections. Wimborne and Colehill was the Ward with the lowest figure of voters at 69%. The Rural areas was highest at 88%. Less members (77%) voted at the 2007 elections than did in the 2003 Elections (89%).

4.6.56: Which of the following statements applies to you for your reasons for voting or not voting?



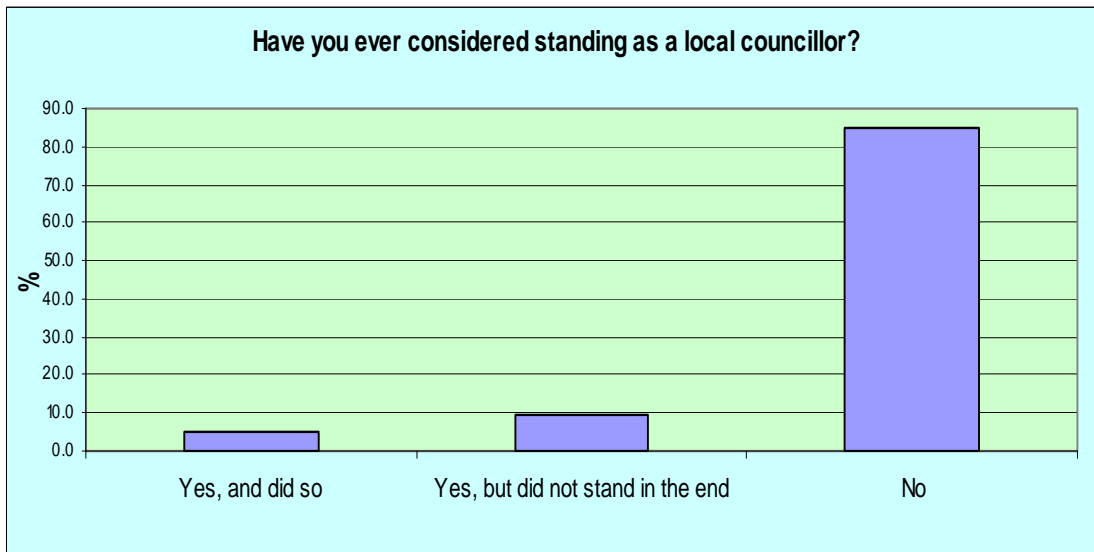
81% of members wanted to have their say in who won the election and this was their main reason for voting. Of those who didn't vote the main reason was that they intended to vote but circumstances prevents them. (9%) In the March 2006 survey the main reason for voting (70%) was because they always vote and the main reason for not voting was did not like candidate/party (29%).

4.6.57 Do you know what the responsibilities of your councillor are?



60% of members know what the responsibilities of their councillors are.

4.6.58 Have you ever considered standing as a local Councillor?



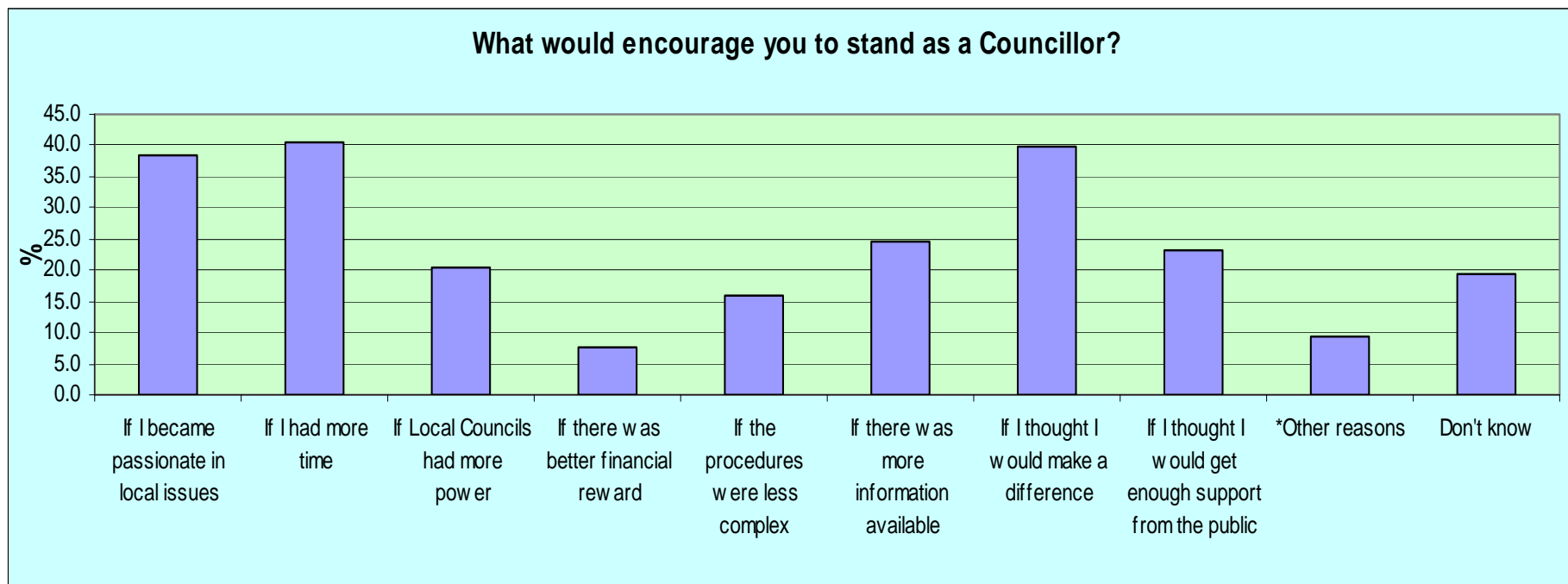
5% of members have stood as a councillor and 10% have intended to in the past. In March 2006 87% had not ever thought of standing and 9% had thought about it but not stood. In 2006 only 4% had actually stood.

4.6.59: If Yes and elected, what was the most fulfilling part of your role?

Table 59: What was the most fulfilling part of being a councillor		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Full information on district/council activities	3	16.7
Influencing decisions/helping people	8	44.4
Other	7	38.9
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	18	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Of those elected members enjoyed helping people and influencing decisions.

4.6.60: What would encourage you to stand as a Councillor



40% of members said that they would be encouraged to stand as a councillor if they thought they would get enough support from the public. Other things that would encourage members to stand was to be younger.

4.6.61 Any other Comments

Table 60: Any other comments		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Reduce/eliminate parking charges at WCMP	1	1.4
Moors valley car park too expensive	3	4.3
Pensioners concerns e.g. increased council tax	1	1.4
Leisure should be more affordable	1	1.4
More dog waste bins needed	2	2.9
Problems with bus service in Corfe Mullen	2	2.9
Raise awareness of open spaces/MVCP	1	1.4
Emphasis on parliamentary decisions	1	1.4
More police/traffic wardens	1	1.4
Traffic speed/enforce limits in Wimborne	1	1.4
More communication with local people	1	1.4
Better maintenance of countryside paths	1	1.4
Improved maintenance of roadside hedges	2	2.9
All plastic to be recycled/targets introduced	1	1.4
Problem with cars on pavements	1	1.4
Discounted admission for Moors valley	1	1.4
Problems with overcrowding in Ferndown	1	1.4
Opportunity to meet councillors	1	1.4
More support with council tax issues	1	1.4
Sometimes impossible to use postal vote	1	1.4
Community safety issues e.g. drunk youths	1	1.4
More feedback from electorate	2	2.9
Improved council/parish notices/signage	1	1.4
More police presence to control youths	1	1.4
More facilities for young people in Verwood	1	1.4
More frequent road sweeping in St Ives	1	1.4
More council run youth clubs in village halls	1	1.4
Paid community volunteers	1	1.4
Contribution from children for youth council	1	1.4
More affordable housing in Wimborne area	1	1.4
Dirty roads & pavements in Wimborne	1	1.4
Council are powerless on housing issues	1	1.4
Dog fouling/barking detrimental to health	3	4.3
Prevention of fly tipping	1	1.4
More imaginative use of shrubbery/flowers	1	1.4
Lack of interest from local council	3	4.3
Complaints with sending second questionnaire	7	10.1
Questionnaire not addressing real issues	1	1.4
Praise for questionnaire raising issues	3	4.3
Other	12	17.4
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	69	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

The table above sets out the main comments or suggestion made by members on a variety of topics. The full list can be found in the Appendices.

5: Summary

Public Health

There is quite a high percentage of dog ownership in East Dorset with rural areas and 45 to 54yr olds having the highest ownership. Dog control issues are of concern to all members and these are most prevalent in West Moors where there is a higher proportion of people who think they should be on leads. Members in St Leonards feel more strongly that there should be a dog ban in certain areas and West Moors obviously has more concerns about dog fouling and more signs are needed. Corfe Mullen believes that fines should be higher and St Leonards feels the need for more dog waste bins as the current locations are not adequate. Wimborne & Colehill have an issue with how frequently bins are emptied.

Community safety

There has been a very slight decrease in members feeling safe in their neighbourhood; this appears to be more of a very slight concern in rural areas and especially when walking alone at night in West Moors. Ferndown has a slightly increased problem with people hanging around on the streets than other areas and Wimborne & Colehill has a slightly inflated risk of drunk and rowdy behaviour. Drug use and dealing is not a big issue in East Dorset however Ferndown members consider it to be of more of problem there than anywhere else along with rubbish and Littering. Vandalism is a bigger concern in rural areas whereas St Leonards has very little damage or graffiti. There is still not a very great awareness of the Partnership Websites.

Moors Valley Country Park

Most members are aware of MVCP and are satisfied with it as an enjoyable day out. Members in Corfe Mullen are less likely to visit probably due to their location and lack of public transport. The vast majority learn of MVCP through local knowledge. Members do not visit MVCP very regularly however they do visit all year round. The average duration of stay at MVCP is 2.7 hours where people enjoy the open space for walking and enjoying the peace & tranquillity. The majority travel by car to MVCP as they don't consider the alternative facilities to be convenient or they are not aware of the alternatives like the bus routes. Many prefer the independence of getting their under their own steam but resent the high car parking fees. Other open spaces in East Dorset are not visited anymore frequently than MVCP and certainly this regularity has decreased since the 2006 survey. However the vast majority of members are satisfied with parks and open spaces if not a little ambivalent towards information provision and their promotion. Members knowledge of the full extent of parks and open spaces available to them is not as good as it could be. There is slight in decrease in satisfaction levels for Cultural facilities which is worse in St Leonards and Ferndown and more notably sports and Leisure has lower satisfaction levels in these wards.

Young People

There is not a great satisfaction in facilities for young people and this is most notable in St Leonards and rural areas. More youth clubs and activities with reduced charges would help. There is a need to make people aware of the sites that promote kids activities in order to show them wants on offer.

Again there is not a great awareness of the East Dorset Youth Council which again would help assist young people in discovering what's available for them. There would be a better attendance at EDYC meetings if they were held locally. Better provision of youth clubs and drop in centres are required.

Communication

Ease of finding out about the Council has dropped a little perhaps some issues with the telephone service were to blame and some poor or inadequate information provision for some members. Free local papers remain the preferred method of info provision. Leaflets are not greatly used but when they are members like to pick them up from Libraries and Post offices. The circulation of EDN appears to have increased and members would like more planning applications and decisions published in it.

Awareness of the Dorset for you website has improved along with its overall rating and ease of navigation but the main reason for not using remains as a lack of computer or internet knowledge and or ability. Members want more information in free local papers and a newsletter.

Elections

Less members voted in the 2007 election than in 2003. Members are quite well aware of Councillors responsibilities and very slightly more members stood as a councillor than in 2006. The most fulfilling part of those that stood was the enjoyment of helping people and influencing decisions. Members said that they would be more encourage to stand if they were younger.

6: Appendices

6.1: Survey Tabulations

Table 1: Do you own a dog?		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Yes	75	22.3
No	261	77.7
Total (Valid: Single Code)	336	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 2: Please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with the following statements						
	Dog control is an important issue		Dogs should be kept on leads at all times		In certain areas there should be a dog ban	
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Strongly agree	207	61.2	69	21.0	117	34.9
Agree	106	31.4	62	18.8	154	46.0
Neither	14	4.1	69	21.0	34	10.1
Disagree	5	1.5	102	31.0	22	6.6
Strongly disagree	6	1.8	27	8.2	8	2.4
Total (Valid: Single Code)	338	100.0	329	100.0	335	100.0
(0) Missing Values	17	N/A	26	N/A	20	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A

Average	4.48816568	3.1337386	4.04477612
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Table 3: Generally, how safe or unsafe do you feel?						
	Living in your neighbourhood		Walking alone during the day		Walking alone at night	
	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %
Base: All (355)						
Very safe	180	52.0	203	59.0	51	15.0
Fairly safe	148	42.8	118	34.3	164	48.1
Neither	9	2.6	10	2.9	53	15.5
Fairly unsafe	3	0.9	7	2.0	56	16.4
Very unsafe	6	1.7	6	1.7	17	5.0
Total (Valid: Single Code)	346	100.0	344	100.0	341	100.0
(0) Missing Values	9	N/A	11	N/A	14	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A
Average		4.424855491		4.46802326		3.51612903

Table 4: How much of a problem do you think are...?												
	Noisy neighbours		People hanging around		People being drunk		People using/dealing drugs		Rubbish and litter		Vandalism, graffiti etc	
	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %
Base: All (355)												
Very big problem	6	1.7	15	4.4	15	4.4	13	4.0	25	7.2	17	5.0
A fairly big problem	8	2.3	49	14.3	44	12.8	21	6.4	87	25.2	71	20.7
Not a very big problem	149	43.2	168	49.1	164	47.8	139	42.2	184	53.3	191	55.7
Not a problem at all	182	52.8	110	32.2	120	35.0	156	47.4	49	14.2	64	18.7
Total (Valid: Single Code)	345	100.0	342	100.0	343	100.0	329	100.0	345	100.0	343	100.0
(0) Missing Values	10	N/A	13	N/A	12	N/A	26	N/A	10	N/A	12	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A
Average		1.53043		1.90936		2.0379		1.66869		2.25507		2.11953

Table 5: Are you aware of the Partnership Websites?				
Base: All (355)	Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership		Community Partnership	
	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Yes	36	10.6	50	14.7
No	305	89.4	289	85.3
Total (Valid: Single Code)	341	100.0	339	100.0
(0) Missing Values	14	N/A	16	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A

Table 6: Have you ever been to MVCP?		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Yes	285	84.1
No	54	15.9
Total (Valid: Single Code)	339	100.0
(0) Missing Values	16	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 7: If No why was this?		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Too expensive to park	14	28%
Not attracted to what is on offer	20	40%
Don't like the countryside	1	2%
*Other (please specify below)	15	30%
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	50	100.0
(0) Missing Values	305	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 8: If Yes how satisfied were you with it as an enjoyable experience?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Very satisfied	143	49%
Fairly satisfied	114	39%
Neither	19	7%
*Fairly unsatisfied	5	2%
*Very unsatisfied	10	3%
Total (Valid: Single Code)	291	100.0
(0) Missing Values	64	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 9: How did you hear about MVCP?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Word-of-mouth/personal recommendation	130	43%
Signpost on road	51	17%
Passing by/entrance	62	21%
Tourist Information Centre	33	11%
Moors Valley Leaflet	52	17%
Other leaflet/brochure	20	7%
Newspaper	29	10%
Radio	13	4%
Internet	8	3%
Local Knowledge	188	63%
Don't know	14	5%
*Other (please specify below)	19	6%
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	300	N/A
(0) Missing Values	55	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 10: How often do you visit MVCP		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Every week	13	4.4
Every fortnight	12	4.1
Every month	40	13.5
Every 6 months	82	27.7
Every year	58	19.6
Every five years	24	8.1
Less often	49	16.6
Don't know	18	6.1
Total (Valid: Single Code)	296	100.0
(0) Missing Values	59	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 11: How often do you visit MVCP		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Spring	18	6.6
Summer	75	27.4
Autumn	19	6.9
Winter	16	5.8
All year round	91	33.2
Whenever the weather is good	55	20.1
Total (Valid: Single Code)	274	100.0
(0) Missing Values	81	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 12: Do you currently have access to a car?		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Yes	287	93.8
No	19	6.2
Total (Valid: Single Code)	306	100.0
(0) Missing Values	49	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 13: How often do you visit MVCP		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Car	203	71.0
Public Transport	1	0.3
Walked	42	14.7
Cycled	23	8.0
Camper Van	2	0.7
Motor bike	5	1.7
*Other (please specify below)	10	3.5
Total (Valid: Single Code)	286	100.0
(0) Missing Values	69	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 14: Are you aware of the following bus routes?				
Base: All (355)	Norcat door to Dorset bus		X36 from Bournemouth & Poole	
	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Yes, aware and have used	1	0.3	7	2.6
Yes, aware but haven't used	31	10.7	55	20.3
Not aware	258	89.0	209	77.1
Total (Valid: Single Code)	290	100.0	271	100.0
(0) Missing Values	65	N/A	84	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A

Table 15: Are you aware of the following off road access points to MVCP?

	Access from the B3081 through the forest		Access through Potterne Park at Verwood		Bridleway access from Three Legged Cross		The Castlemain trailway from West Moors and Ringwood	
	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Base: All (355)								
Yes, aware of but haven't used	56	20.5	50	18.2	55	19.9	74	26.8
Yes, aware of and have used	85	31.1	88	32.1	39	14.1	74	26.8
Not aware	132	48.4	136	49.6	183	66.1	128	46.4
Total (Valid: Single Code)	273	100.0	274	100.0	277	100.0	276	100.0
(0) Missing Values	82	N/A	81	N/A	78	N/A	79	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A

Table 16: How frequently have you visited local parks & open spaces?

Base: Short Break or Main Holiday	<i>f</i>	Valid %
At least 5 times a week	22	6.7
At least 3 times a week	15	4.6
At least once a week	44	13.5
About once a fortnight	29	8.9
About once a month	48	14.7
Within the last 6 months	75	22.9
Within the last year	36	11.0
Longer ago	24	7.3
Never	19	5.8
Don't know	15	4.6
Total (Valid: Single Code)	327	100.0
(0) Missing Values	28	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 17: How much of a problem do you think are...?								
	The parks and opens spaces provided locally		Information provided about open spaces		The Council's ability to promote open spaces		The Council's ability to keep public land clear of litter and refuse	
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Very satisfied	113	34.8	42	13.1	35	10.9	30	9.3
Fairly satisfied	150	46.2	122	38.0	101	31.5	142	44.0
Neither	41	12.6	111	34.6	137	42.7	83	25.7
Fairly dissatisfied	11	3.4	32	10.0	36	11.2	49	15.2
Very dissatisfied	10	3.1	14	4.4	12	3.7	19	5.9
Total (Valid: Single Code)	325	100.0	321	100.0	321	100.0	323	100.0
(0) Missing Values	30	N/A	34	N/A	34	N/A	32	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A

Table 18: Are you aware of the following open spaces and have you visited them?						
	Yes aware of but haven't visited		Yes aware of and have visited		Not aware	
	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %
Base: All (355)						
Moors Valley	41	11.5	224	63.1	57	16.1
Nature Education area St Ives	28	7.9	40	11.3	235	66.2
Potterne Wood	38	10.7	79	22.3	187	52.7
Stephens Castle	34	9.6	62	17.5	208	58.6
Dewlands Common	41	11.5	58	16.3	205	57.7
Bugdens Copse	42	11.8	42	11.8	217	61.1
Potterne Hill	43	12.1	34	9.6	223	62.8
Springfield Copse	30	8.5	14	3.9	251	70.7
Hatchlands Copse	32	9.0	15	4.2	50	14.1
Penningtons Copse & Alder Bed	27	7.6	20	5.6	247	69.6
Leigh Common	76	21.4	73	20.6	159	44.8
Churchmoor Copse	28	7.9	28	7.9	243	68.5
Poor Common	51	14.4	58	16.3	194	54.6
Wesley Wood	32	9.0	25	7.0	239	67.3
Parley Common & Humber Road	39	11.0	32	9.0	229	64.5
Upton Heath Viewpoint area	28	7.9	51	14.4	219	61.7
Springdale Road tree belt	17	4.8	47	13.2	232	65.4
Corfe Hills	30	8.5	45	12.7	223	62.8
Cogdean Elms	20	5.6	22	6.2	251	70.7
Sturminster Railway	35	9.9	31	8.7	231	65.1
Walnut Tree Filed	21	5.9	10	2.8	262	73.8
Uddens Railway	33	9.3	50	14.1	216	60.8
Walford Mill	43	12.1	174	49.0	92	25.9
Riverside Walk	33	9.3	53	14.9	207	58.3
Woodlands Roundwalk	32	9.0	30	8.5	237	66.8
Sixpenny Handley Roundwalk	26	7.3	22	6.2	251	70.7
Queens Copse	19	5.4	40	11.3	238	67.0
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A
(0) Missing Values	NA	N/A	NA	N/A	NA	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A

Table 19: How satisfied are you with ...?				
	Cultural facilities, e.g. Priest's House Museum		Sports and leisure facilities e.g. QE Leisure Centre	
	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Base: All (355)				
Very satisfied	79	24.5	60	19.2
Fairly satisfied	121	37.6	110	35.3
Neither	71	22.0	101	32.4
Fairly dissatisfied	7	2.2	18	5.8
Very dissatisfied	44	13.7	23	7.4
Total (Valid: Single Code)	322	100.0	312	100.0
(0) Missing Values	33	N/A	43	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A

Table 20: How satisfied are you with ...?		
	How satisfied are you with the services provided for young people?	
	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Base: All (355)		
Very satisfied	6	2.9
Fairly satisfied	37	18.1
Neither	78	38.2
Fairly dissatisfied	45	22.1
Very dissatisfied	38	18.6
Total (Valid: Single Code)	204	100.0
(0) Missing Values	151	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 21: Were you aware of the following information sources for kid's activities?				
	www.eastdorsetarts.org		Summer Blast children's' activities brochure (produced annually)	
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Yes, and used it	9	4.4	37	18.6
Yes, but not used it	35	17.0	27	13.6
Not heard of it	162	78.6	135	67.8
Total (Valid: Single Code)	206	100.0	199	100.0
(0) Missing Values	149	N/A	156	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A

Table 22: How would you rate those activities you have used?				
	Adult		Children	
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Very good	24	16.3	24	19.4
Good	51	34.7	48	38.7
Neither	44	29.9	37	29.8
*Poor	5	3.4	4	3.2
*Very poor	23	15.6	11	8.9
Total (Valid: Single Code)	147	100.0	124	100.0
(0) Missing Values	208	N/A	231	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A

Table 23: Have you heard of the East Dorset Youth Council?		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Yes	72	31.7
No	155	68.3
Total (Valid: Single Code)	227	100.0
(0) Missing Values	128	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 24: Do you believe young people in East Dorset have a voice on issues affecting them?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Yes	100	51.8
No	93	48.2
Total (Valid: Single Code)	193	100.0
(0) Missing Values	162	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 25: Would you like to bring issues affecting you to the forefront of policy and decision makers?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Yes	92	51.1
No	88	48.9
Total (Valid: Single Code)	180	100.0
(0) Missing Values	175	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 26: Would you like to improve facilities for young people in your district?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Yes	135	72.6
No	51	27.4
Total (Valid: Single Code)	186	100.0
(0) Missing Values	169	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 27: Have you ever attended any EDYC meetings?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Yes	7	3.6
No	190	96.4
Total (Valid: Single Code)	197	100.0
(0) Missing Values	158	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 28: Would you like to attend meetings if they were held in your town, village or local youth club?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Yes	43	22.9
No	145	77.1
Total (Valid: Single Code)	188	100.0
(0) Missing Values	167	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 29: Would you like to attend meetings if they were held in your town, village or local youth club?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Keeps us very well informed	48	14.3
Keeps us fairly well informed	185	55.2
Gives us only a limited amount of information	60	17.9
Doesn't tell us much about what it does	20	6.0
Don't know	22	6.6
Total (Valid: Single Code)	335	100.0
(0) Missing Values	20	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 30: How well do you think East Dorset District Council keeps ...		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Very easy	68	20%
Fairly easy	157	47%
Neither	76	23%
*Fairly difficult	21	6%
*Very difficult	14	4%
Total (Valid: Single Code)	336	100.0
(0) Missing Values	19	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 31: Which of the following information source have you used and do you prefer to use?						
Base: All (355)	Have used this source		Most preferred source		Not used	
	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Local bought paper	118	33.2	35	9.9	127	35.8
Local free paper	163	45.9	123	34.6	32	9.0
East Dorset News	158	44.5	111	31.3	53	14.9
Local Radio	63	17.7	23	6.5	199	56.1
Local TV	97	27.3	25	7.0	154	43.4
Council Leaflets	135	38.0	55	15.5	94	26.5
Dorset for you website	80	22.5	50	14.1	161	45.4
Parish, church or residents newsletters	116	32.7	32	9.0	137	38.6
Word of mouth	156	43.9	33	9.3	108	30.4
Council meetings	47	13.2	21	5.9	211	59.4
Council Tax statements	155	43.7	32	9.0	104	29.3
Personal contact with Council	88	24.8	23	6.5	172	48.5
Other	4	1.1	6	1.7	94	26.5
Total (Valid: Single Code)	355	388.7	355	160.3	355	463.7
(0) Missing Values	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A

Table 32: Where do you like to pick up leaflets?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Library	225	73%
Council Offices	72	23%
Post Offices	201	65%
Citizens Advice Bureau	38	12%
*Other	36	12%
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	307	100.0
(0) Missing Values	48	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 33: How do you receive your copy of East Dorset News?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Every edition through the door	151	44.7
Most editions through the door	96	28.4
Occasional editions through the door	34	10.1
Collect from Council office or the library	8	2.4
Collect from shop	4	1.2
Read it at the Doctors / Dentists	2	0.6
Never receive a copy	14	4.1
Other	1	0.3
Don't know	28	8.3
Total (Valid: Single Code)	338	100.0
(0) Missing Values	17	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 34: How would you rate the magazine on the following?														
Base: All (355)	Frequency of distribution		Presentation and layout		Font type/style and size		Amount of content		Type of content		Quality of content		East Dorset News overall	
	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %
Very good	64	20.5	61	19.6	72	23.5	58	18.8	52	17.0	55	17.9	63	21.0
Fairly good	133	42.6	156	50.2	139	45.3	145	46.9	147	48.2	150	48.9	148	49.3
Neither	50	16.0	45	14.5	48	15.6	48	15.5	52	17.0	49	16.0	47	15.7
*Fairly poor	17	5.4	10	3.2	6	2.0	10	3.2	11	3.6	10	3.3	5	1.7
*Very poor	9	2.9	5	1.6	6	2.0	8	2.6	7	2.3	7	2.3	8	2.7
Don't know	39	12.5	34	10.9	36	11.7	40	12.9	36	11.8	36	11.7	29	9.7
Total (Valid: Single Code)	312	100.0	311	100.0	307	100.0	309	100.0	305	100.0	307	100.0	300	100.0
(0) Missing Values	43	N/A	44	N/A	48	N/A	46	N/A	50	N/A	48	N/A	55	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A

Table 35: How do you receive your copy of East Dorset News?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Daily	2	0.6
Weekly	7	2.2
Fortnightly	10	3.1
Monthly	45	13.8
Yearly	51	15.7
Have visited once only	39	12.0
Never	171	52.6
Total (Valid: Single Code)	325	100.0
(0) Missing Values	30	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 36: How would you rate Dorset for you website on the following?														
Base: All (355)	Presentation and layout		Font type/style and size		Amount of content		Type of content		Quality of content		Ease of navigation		The website overall	
	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %	f	Valid %
Very good	24	10.4	21	9.1	25	10.6	22	9.2	21	8.9	19	8.1	26	11.3
Fairly good	71	30.9	76	32.9	65	27.7	72	30.3	75	31.6	57	24.4	64	27.7
Neither	33	14.3	37	16.0	43	18.3	43	18.1	42	17.7	46	19.7	43	18.6
*Fairly poor	9	3.9	8	3.5	10	4.3	9	3.8	7	3.0	17	7.3	6	2.6
*Very poor	9	3.9	7	3.0	9	3.8	9	3.8	6	2.5	14	6.0	13	5.6
Don't know	84	36.5	82	35.5	83	35.3	83	34.9	86	36.3	81	34.6	79	34.2
Total (Valid: Single Code)	230	100.0	231	100.0	235	100.0	238	100.0	237	100.0	234	100.0	231	100.0
(0) Missing Values	125	N/A	124	N/A	120	N/A	117	N/A	118	N/A	121	N/A	124	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A	355	N/A

Table 37: Have you had occasion to seek advice on housing issues?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
The Council	29	12%
The Council's agents, East Dorset Housing Association	15	6%
Another organisation such as CAB or Shelter	13	6%
Did not seek advise	197	83%
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	236	N/A
(0) Missing Values	119	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 38: If Yes how did you rate the service?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Very good	15	28%
Fairly good	14	26%
Neither	10	19%
*Fairly poor	9	17%
*Very poor	6	11%
Total (Valid: Single Code)	54	100.0
(0) Missing Values	301	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 39: Do you currently exercise your right to vote?		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Yes	325	97.0
No	10	3.0
Total (Valid: Single Code)	335	100.0
(0) Missing Values	20	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 40: At which elections do you vote?		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Parish	258	77%
District	284	85%
County	266	80%
Parliamentary	299	90%
European Parliamentary	184	55%
Total (Valid: Single Code)	334	100.0
(0) Missing Values	21	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 41: At which elections do you vote?		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
In person at the polling station	253	76%
By post	74	22%
By proxy	5	2%
Total (Valid: Single Code)	332	100.0
(0) Missing Values	23	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 42: How would you rate you polling station on location?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Very good	163	53%
Good	98	32%
Neither	17	6%
Poor	7	2%
Very Poor	3	1%
Don't Know	17	6%
Total (Valid: Single Code)	305	100.0
(0) Missing Values	50	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 43: How would you rate you polling station on access?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Very good	151	51%
Good	111	38%
Neither	10	3%
Poor	7	2%
Very Poor	2	1%
Don't Know	15	5%
Total (Valid: Single Code)	296	100.0
(0) Missing Values	59	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 44: How would you rate you polling station on Clarity of instructions within the building?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Very good	134	45%
Good	118	40%
Neither	23	8%
Poor	8	3%
Very Poor	1	0%
Don't Know	14	5%
Total (Valid: Single Code)	298	100.0
(0) Missing Values	57	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 45: How would you rate you polling station on helpfulness of staff?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Very good	157	53%
Good	99	33%
Neither	22	7%
Poor	3	1%
Very Poor	4	1%
Don't Know	12	4%
Total (Valid: Single Code)	297	100.0
(0) Missing Values	58	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 46: Did you vote at the last election?		
Base: All (355)	<i>f</i>	Valid %
Yes	258	77%
No, I did not vote on that occasion but usually do	52	16%
No, I never vote in local elections	13	4%
Prefer not to say	11	3%
Total (Valid: Single Code)	334	100.0
(0) Missing Values	21	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 47: Which of the following statements applies to you for your reasons for voting or not?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
I wanted to have a say in who won the election	269	75.8
I wanted to support my preferred candidate	214	60.3
I wanted to support my preferred party	211	59.4
It is my duty to vote	220	62.0
It is my right to vote	252	71.0
I always vote	234	65.9
I wanted to vote against the candidate or party I didn't like	73	20.6
I wanted to send a message to the Government	97	27.3
I intended to vote, but circumstances prevented me	30	8.5
My vote would not have affected the outcome on that occasion	17	4.8
Did not like any of the candidates/parties represented at	17	4.8
I was away at the time	18	5.1
I was unaware of the election	8	2.3
I was not registered to vote at that time	6	1.7
The voting times were inconvenient	7	2.0
The voting locations were inconvenient	9	2.5
I was not aware of my entitlement to have a postal vote or t	8	2.3
Don't know	4	1.1
*Other reasons (please specify below)	6	1.7
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	355	N/A
(0) Missing Values	NA	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 48: Have you ever considered standing as a local Councillor? ...		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Yes, and did so	18	5%
Yes, but did not stand in the end	32	10%
No	285	85%
Total (Valid: Single Code)	335	100.0
(0) Missing Values	20	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table 49: What would encourage you to stand as a Councillor?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
If I became passionate in local issues	38	10.8
If I had more time	41	11.4
If Local Councils had more power	20	5.7
If there was better financial reward	8	2.1
If the procedures were less complex	16	4.5
If there was more information available	24	6.9
If I thought I would make a difference	40	11.2
If I thought I would get enough support from the public	23	6.5
*Other reasons	9	2.6
If I became passionate in local issues	38	10.8
If I had more time	41	11.4
If Local Councils had more power	20	5.7
If there was better financial reward	8	2.1
If the procedures were less complex	16	4.5
If there was more information available	24	6.9
If I thought I would make a difference	40	11.2
If I thought I would get enough support from the public	23	6.5
*Other reasons	9	2.6
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	355	N/A
(0) Missing Values	NA	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table: Have you ever considered standing as a local Councillor? ...		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
Yes, and did so	18	5%
Yes, but did not stand in the end	32	10%
No	285	85%
Total (Valid: Single Code)	335	100.0
(0) Missing Values	20	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

Table: What would encourage you to stand as a Councillor?		
Base: All (355)	f	Valid %
If I became passionate/interested in local issues	91	25.6
If I had more time	96	27.0
If Local Councils had more power	48	13.5
If there was better financial reward	18	5.1
If the procedures were less complex/difficult	38	10.7
If there was more information available on how to become one	58	16.3
If I thought I would be able to make a difference	94	26.5
If I thought I would get enough support from the public	55	15.5
*Other reasons	22	6.2
Don't know	46	13.0
Total (Valid: Multi Code)	355	N/A
(0) Missing Values	NA	N/A
Total (Base)	355	N/A

6.2: Respondent demographics

Table: 6.2.1

Ward	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Corfe Mullen	32	9.0	9.0
Ferndown	73	20.5	20.5
Rural	46	12.9	12.9
St Leonards	29	8.1	8.1
Verwood	62	17.4	17.4
West Moors	24	6.7	6.7
Wimborne & Colehill	83	23.3	23.3
Total	349	100.0	100.0

Table: 6.2.2

Gender	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Female	181	50.8	50.8
Male	168	47.2	47.2
Total	349	100.0	100.0

Table: 6.2.3

Age group	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
18-24	1	0.3	0.3
25-44	55	15.4	15.4
45-64	156	43.8	43.8
65-74	86	24.2	24.2
75+	43	12.1	12.1
Total	341	100.0	100.0

Table: 6.2.4

Illness	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
No	282	79.2	79.2
Yes	67	18.8	18.8
Total	349	100.0	100.0

Table: 6.2.5

Limitations	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
No	313	87.9	87.9
Yes	36	10.1	10.1
Total	349	100.0	100.0

Table: 6.2.6

Tenure	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Buying on Mortgage	106	29.8	29.8
Other	4	1.1	1.1
Own Outright	221	62.1	62.1
Rent From HA	18	5.1	5.1
Total	349	100.0	100.0

Table: 6.2.7

Occupation	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
Employee	127	35.7	35.7
FT Education	2	0.6	0.6
Looking	14	3.9	3.9
Self-Employed	15	4.2	4.2
Sick Or	10	2.8	2.8
Something	5	1.4	1.4
Unemployed	4	1.1	1.1
Wholly Retired	166	46.6	46.6
Total	343	100.0	100.0

Table: 6.2.8

Ethnicity	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent
White British	321	90.2	90.2
White Irish	2	0.6	0.6
White Other	10	2.8	2.8
Total	333	100.0	100.0

6.3: Verbatim Comments

Q3 Areas worse affected by dog fouling.

- Across fields at Cuthbury & River Walk (Allendale)
- Actually I find there is quite a problem with horse fouling on pavements which is never addressed.
- Alderholt recreation ground.
- All ok.
- All!
- Alleyway between Oak Rd & Earlswood Drive (not by Green alley - the other one).
- Alleyways & Stephens castle.
- Alongside River Allen/ cut through footpaths. Lace Drive/Allenview Rd/Elizabeth Rd.
- Although fouling is much approved there could be more bins in roads.
- Amenity area around Fryers playing fields in West Moors.
- Areas approaching schools & roads surrounding Dewlands Common.
- Around church at Sixpenny Handley.
- Avon Heath Park in places.
- Bins are full and not emptied regularly! (shortage of bins) Verwood parks & walks.
- Bracken Road, Leeson Drive & Clayford Avenue.
- Bridal paths.
- Bridleways and public footpaths.
- Bugdens copse.
- By shops in Manor Road & passage way, Nightingale Close & Newtown Road.
- By the way field, Churchmoor copse, Leigh common reservation.
- Camel Green/Antells way area - there should be more signs.
- Cannon Hill plantation.
- Cannon Hill Plantation.
- Cannon Hill Woods near cannon Hill Road entrance.
- Canon Hill Plantation.
- Castlemain trail.
- Castlemain Trailway.
- Castlemaine Trailway.
- Colehill Road.
- Corfe Mullen Rec.
- Corfe Mullen recreation ground.
- Difficult to pin down as it appears in high streets, side streets & public footpaths.
- Do not see it as a problem in our area.
- Don't know.
- Don't know.
- Down by the river.
- Dudsbury Ave, Dorset Ave & Sherborne Drive. (all in Ferndown/west Parley)
- Eastworth Rd - station rd access.

- Entrance to Moors Valley via Hazelwood Drive.
- Feel vulnerable alone in the evening. Mainly take the car.
- Ferndown common pathways.
- Ferndown common.
- Ferndown school playing field.
- Footpath behind Phellips Road, Corfe Mullen.
- Footpaths (off road) & open areas where owners like to walk their dogs.
- Footpaths through estates and recreational grounds.
- Forest off Horton Road.
- Forest paths leading from St Stephens Lane, Verwood.
- Gardens - not those of the owners - they use other people's.
- Generally entering forest areas.
- Generally most owners are very responsible in Handley.
- Generally no problems.
- Grass frontage to our homes.
- Grass verges & greens.
- Grass verges & open grass areas on housing estates.
- Grass verges at sides of roads.
- Grass verges by footpaths.
- Grass verges outside private houses.
- Grass verges.
- Grassed areas - Bramley Road BH22 9JJ.
- Green area near housing.
- Green areas adjacent to footpaths & walking cut through from one road to another.
- Hardly any dog fouling.
- Hill View is this, why you call, Springdale Rd. tree belt?
- Holt Heath is used as a dog lavatory with many people travelling miles to allow their animals to use it.
- Holt Heath, Stephens Castle.
- I do not have a dog, so therefore am unable to give an opinion as to when they should be emptied.
- I don't think dog fouling is a significant problem. I object to the few uncontrolled dogs chase my bike.
- I haven't noticed a particular problem in our area (except one occasion in our road recently - the first here for quite a while)
- I live in Wimborne and I do not see dog fouling on our footpaths.
- In this area people seem to be "picking up" ok. (Wimborne - riverside park)
- It seems quite well controlled in my area.
- Jessop Road, Colehill.
- King George V playing fields.
- Kings Park.
- Land between girl guide hut & houses in Ashurst Road, West Moors.
- Lane from Eden Grove leading to Poole Rd.
- Leigh Common area.
- Leigh Park backs onto my back garden. People walk their dogs & 99% pick up after their dogs that I see.
- Leigh Rd/Poole Rd
- Lewesdon Drive Park (outside fence)

- Lion Hill (no bins!) streets.
- Local parks & common land.
- Local parks e.g. Blaeside, Ashley Heath, Ringwood. Local forests etc & Ringwood forest.
- Local streets in general, lanes between houses where people dump their bags of dog poo in bushes locally.
- Local streets in my area - Ferndown.
- Local streets.
- Lonnen Road. Colehill. Riversidewalk, Wimborne.
- Lonnen Road/Sandy Lane.
- Lower end of Moorlands Road - on our grass verge. Called by the locals "turd alley".
- Main roads through Alderholt.
- Many pavements have dog fouling & grass verges.
- Mary Lane - West Moors. Bracken rd - Ferndown.
- Millmoor, Sturminster Marshall.
- Moor Lane, Sturminster Marshall.
- Moors Valley.
- Moors valley/Ringwood Forest/Stephen Castle/Recreation ground in Verwood.
- Morden Avenue.
- Mostly when I walk around the streets, on the pavements.
- MVCP.
- My area is good.
- n/a
- n/k
- Near Allenvie Rd car park.
- Near Rushcombe & Corfe Hills schools.
- No comment.
- No experience recently.
- No opinion.
- No particular area sticks out - there doesn't seem much point increasing fines when I've never seen anyone caught & fined.
- No street lights.
- None - rarely see dog mess.
- None
- None but need more bins in Corfe Mullen.
- None especially, but any is disgusting.
- None in particular, but certain areas of the Castlemain Trailway need more bins.
- None that I know of.
- None.
- None. Particularly bad.
- Not a problem in our area.
- Not a problem, our "doggie community" is socially responsible.
- Not aware of any in particular.
- Not aware of any.
- Not sure.

- Occasional random hills e.g. on Rowlands Hill - pubs seem unsafe & pets on the loose.
- Occasionally by the river Allen footpath.
- Occasionally Crescent Road, but people in area are usually very good at removing dog faeces.
- Occasionally on grass verges & pavements.
- Occasionally the footpath to the village where fenced. Not much problem.
- On footpaths to woods.
- On roadside and the footpath.
- On the paths walked by dog owners. Drovers Bottom & village playing fields/rec.
- Open 'green spaces'
- Open grass areas.
- Open spaces.
- Park Lane - Parkwood areas just outside of Wimborne town centre.
- Parks & children's games field.
- Parks, waste grounds and heathland.
- Parks.
- Parley Common at the back of Heatherlands centre. Have complained at crucial times about lack of dog bins. Have dogs to stay on a regular basis & have to walk to Bolton cars to use bin there.
- Parley Common.
- Parmiter Road.
- Path along Ameysford Road towards Streamline stores.
- Path between Hillside school & British legion.
- Path from Springdale Road to Corfe Lodge Road, access to the view point & Upton Heath.
- Path into forest from the Chase & the one near Ebblake House.
- Pathway into Potterne Wood from Potterne Meadow estate.
- Pathway to river alongside scout hut (leading to dreamboats).
- Pathways.
- Pavement - Barns Rd.
- Pavement in Stour view gardens area around village hall.
- Pavement on Rowlands Hill.
- Pavements & pathways.
- Pavements (loose dogs)
- Pavements (not a real problem here)
- Pavements around my road (The Lea)
- Pavements in residential areas.
- Pavements.
- People don't bother picking up in forest and nature walk areas, making walking unpleasant.
- Pewsham Road?
- Pinehurst, Elmhurst Roads.
- Pinehurst Road.
- Playing fields around Ferndown upper schools & people allowing their dogs to foul there. Should have them confiscated.
- Playing fields at Potterne Park.
- Playing fields.

- Poor common.
- Poor Common.
- Potterne Park & walkways to the park.
- Potterne Park, Verwood football pitches. Dogs appear to be allowed loose by owners who then don't supervise toileting. My sons often come home with boots covered in muck.
- Potterne Park, Verwood.
- Potterne Park, Verwood/Champsteceaux Avenue
- Potterne Park.
- Reasonably controlled in this area.
- Recreation ground.
- Redcotts Park & surrounding area.
- Ringwood Plantation West Moors.
- Ringwood Plantation.
- Ringwood service Rd.
- River Stour path & surrounding grass along flight refuelling site.
- River walk behind Whitelegg Way.
- River walk, Canford & Leigh park.
- Riverside walks, open parkland etc.
- School Lane, St Ives & The Close, St Ives.
- Significant problem with dog fouling along the Castlemain railway.
- Sixpenny Handley has enough bins well placed. They appear not to be emptied as frequently as EDDC contractor is required to do so.
- Springdale Road. Corfe Mullen recreation fields. Any grass verge.
- Springdale viewpoint. Upton's Heath Newlands Way area.
- St Stephen's castle approach.
- Street pavements.
- Streets - Clayford Avenue.
- Streets.
- Sturminster Marshall youth crime.
- The "forest" walks in Verwood are disgusting. Dog owners allow fouling on the paths & don't clear up. Bins not emptied often enough.
- The alley between Fircroft Drive & Stapehill Crescent. The entrance to Cannon Hill Plantation from Colehill library.
- The allotments off Old Road/Cuthbury Close.
- The entrance to Firs Wood - by the reading room.
- The footpath at the end of Penny's Lane, Cranborne & Cranborne churchyard.
- The forest entrances from the Chase & Ringwood Rd Ebblake.
- The main roads.
- The River Allen river walk between Tice garage & school bridge - people do not always pick up dog waste.
- The road where I live, bags of dog mess left on the footpath.
- The walk along side the river at Eyebride, despite bins being available.
- There are fewer dogs in our area now (more cats!) so it is not much of a problem.
- There are irresponsible owners who leave dog mess anywhere, & those who put mess in plastic bags & throw down on pavements & hedge rows. I blame owners every time.

- There is very little dog fouling in my immediate area.
- Town pavements, rural lanes & footpaths.
- Tricketts Close.
- Upton Heath viewpoint, Corfe Mullen & paths leading to it.
- Verge (grass) outside house, maintained by self (mowing etc)
- Viewpoint (car park end) Springdale Rd.
- Walkway to river bank.
- We are very lucky we rarely find dog mess near for our home.
- West Moors Plantation.
- West Moors Rd.
- Willow Way, Victoria Road, Ferndown & Queens Rd.
- Wimborne Rugby Club - disgusting - children getting impetigo from it.
- Wimborne town main thoroughfare.

Q5. If unsafe why is this?

- A large amount of youngsters hang around the town & parks at night.
- After 11pm many young lad's walk down Brayside Road for St Leonards hotel.
- Age 99.
- Always be aware!
- Answer does not apply to Wimborne town centre on Friday/Saturday evenings!
- As a woman alone, I would avoid walking anywhere at night. I feel nowhere is safe at night.
- Because it is more unsafe to walk anywhere alone after dark anymore.
- Because of my age & vulnerability.
- Because of random groups of youngsters.
- Because you sometimes come upon groups of young people & I always wonder what they might do.
- Being rather unsteady on my feet at times, I would have difficulty defending myself. Groups of young people loitering make me feel threatened.
- Concerned about being attacked.
- Cyclists on pavements & vandals ripping at fences.
- Disabled.
- Don't generally walk at night. Large crowds of youngsters may be intimidating for the elderly.
- Don't go out at night - especially Fridays as I knew young people drink & I hear them go by my house.
- Drunken youths at the Nightjar.
- Drunken youths in Ferndown. Total disregard of pedestrians by cyclists on pavements.
- Evidence of week end & vandalism possibly cause by too much alcohol.
- Feel fairly unsafe walking anywhere at night.
- Feel vulnerable alone in the evening. Mainly take the car.
- Friday/Saturday nights in Wimborne are not all pleasant.
- Gangs of noisy youths.
- Gangs of yobs.
- gangs of young people hanging around shops at Glenmoor Rd or on Poor Common.
- Groups of teenagers that stand around are very un-nerving.
- Groups of unsociable youths in centre of Ferndown precinct.
- Groups of youths grouped together worry me.
- Groups of youths hanging about in the village.
- Groups of youths in Colehill.
- Groups of youths sometimes noisy.
- Having been burgled, many times in 30 years with the police attitude of "it's your own fault for living alone in the country/can't walk on this road without risk of injury.
- I am a naturally wary person.
- I don't feel comfortable walking alone at night.
- I don't go out at night.

- I just think this is not advisable & personally have never liked to walk alone at night anywhere.
- I live close to Penny's Walk, Ferndown. The takeaway area of Victoria Road & the pub in Victoria Road.
- If I choose to go out at night I am always conscious of higher risk to my safety - wherever I am.
- In recent times if one see's a gang of youths. One feels a little nervous.
- Insufficient/inadequate street lighting.
- Lack of any real police anytime.
- Lack of police in residential areas.
- Lack of police station & officers. There a lot of youths on the streets after 6pm, particularly on Friday & Saturday.
- Lack of policeman on the beat.
- Lack of street lighting in some areas.
- Lane from Eden Grove leading to Poole Rd.
- Late night walkers from Ringwood to Three Legged Cross.
- Level of crime, punishment is no good.
- Lighting inadequate.
- Loitering youths.
- Media cover makes one wary.
- Mostly media information.
- Muggers & vandals.
- My ability to run is now nil.
- Never given it any thought. So must feel "safe" but are we ever safe anywhere these days. Just live each day & enjoy.
- No one I know would walk around alone at night. No one feels entirely safe anywhere any longer.
- No police presence.
- No specific reason. Just feels unsafe at night walking in any area.
- No street lighting.
- No street lighting. There should be with 30mph restrictions.
- Not sure.
- Only unsafe Friday or Saturday night if local jobs have been drinking.
- Out of town.
- People are unpredictable & it is uncertain who is there.
- Personal experience, house vandalised in the evening twice by youths returning from the club worse for drink.
- Possibility of encountering groups of unruly youths
- Pubs in Wimborne.
- Recent thefts of lead from buildings.
- Sad to say the times we live in.
- Several times youths in speeding cars on Rowlands Hill scream out of window at passers by. Once shortly after 5th November I was hit & hurt by a hurled? The lorry has twice speeded down this hill & covered me in dirt.
- Shop areas & playgrounds full of youths at night. Wife has eggs thrown at her & abuse to neighbours.
- Some youths tend to roam in groups & are not always 100% sober.
- Street lighting in parts of town centre inadequate i.e. back of Minster.
- Streets are quiet at night afraid of being mugged.

- Teenage gangs in cars & skateboards around Walford Mill medical centre.
- The element of "chavs" in the area enticing each other to cause trouble.
- Too many bushes & driveways where someone could hide, also not a very busy road at night.
- Too many local jobs at large.
- Too many young people about in groups.
- Walking along at night.
- We haven't got street lights.
- Wimborne seems to be very safe, but I would not walk alone at night.
- Wouldn't like to come across a group of youths who look threatening - so usually drive at night.
- Young mischief makers around at night.
- Young people drinking in car parks.
- Young people hanging around on the streets.
- Young people unruly often after drink. No respect & no action taken usually.
- Youths hanging around.
- Youths.

Q9a Other

- But no more expensive to park.
- Can't walk too far.
- Commercial enterprise.
- Disability.
- Don't go to Moors Valley country park.
- Have Kingston Lacey (NT member) and Upton Park closer to hand.
- I have been beautiful walks with free & easy access in my area.
- Intend to go with grandchildren.
- Keep meaning to.
- Never had time.
- No car. Buses unreliable.
- No children to take!
- No desire.
- No reason to go.
- No time!
- No transport to get there.
- No transport.
- Not aware of parks!
- Not for us.
- Not yet found time.
- Other more convenient facilities.
- Other places to go.
- Parking is too expensive.
- Partially disabled - walk with a stick.
- Pure coincidence - it just hasn't happened.
- There is plenty of wonderful countryside & footpaths away from other people.

- Too far from my home area.
- Would go much more often if it was possible to park for say an hour or so at reasonable cost. Local

Q10a Why?

- A very brief visit on one occasion only therefore unable to comment.
- Car parking charge too expensive.
- Car parking charges are a poor start to the visit to MVCP.
- Car parking prices.
- Cost of parking.
- Disabled parking.
- Don't visit now as car park too expensive.
- Expensive.
- Far too expensive to park.
- Food & beverages expensive.
- Good facilities & upkeep.
- High cost of parking.
- I don't want a "day out" - I just want to go for a short walk.
- It's some while ago, but car parking was expensive & we never want back.
- It was an ok day.
- Not ideal for elderly & handicapped.
- Open space.
- Parking charges too high.
- Parking fees too dear particularly as local resident.
- Parking very expensive.
- Stuff helpful.
- Too far from parking for disabled & few seats suitable.
- Too many kids.

Q11a Other?

- Aware of it first being constructed.
- Ex Royal Mail person delivering there from the beginning.
- Golf centre.
- Had delivered confectionery in my employment.
- Haven't seen the park grow from scratch.
- Have been going there for years.
- Have been walking there for 21 years.
- I live at Potterne Meadow estate.
- I live very near to it.
- I live within walking distance.
- I used to work there.
- Jazz concerts.
- Just part of our walks.
- Live local.
- Live quite close - use regularly for walking.
- Live very close.
- Lived here before it was opened.
- Lived locally for 20 years.
- Lived near the park.
- Lived nearby for 32 years.

- Local railway clubs.
- Walk into MVCP prommy house.
- We use it for our scouts.
- When first opened I was a councillor.

Q15a: What do you particularly like about MVCP?

- Large open space 2. The trees 3. Children's play areas 4. Facilities 5. The golf course 6. Train rides for children
- Natural surrounds. 2. Wildlife 3. Cycle tracks 4. Relaxed atmosphere 5. Good car park 6. Unspoilt nature.
- A good area for young people.
- A selection of activities to suit all ages.
- A varied amount of pursuits.
- A variety of things to do/see for all ages. Lovely walks.
- Activities/facilities for all ages.
- Adventure playground.
- All of it - it's a great place.
- Appeals to all ages.
- Attractions for kids. Walks.
- Attractive surrounding for walking the dog. No traffic.
- Car less space for my 7 yr old son to have freedom of movement. Train centre (shop, exhibitions & rides)
- Child's play area & train.
- Children's activity trail, walks, lakes, amenities.
- Children's play area/trailways.
- Children's play facilities, go ape.
- Children's play park walks.
- Children friendly - no traffic.
- Children friendly & safe.
- Christmas special.
- Clean & safe for children.
- Clean & tidy.
- Croquet & short golf course, train & trees.
- Cycle access via Castlemain railway (generally cycle & stop for picnic or refreshments).
- Cycle paths.
- Design, varied climbs & plenty of space to picnic.
- Different areas of activity, easy parking & restaurant.
- Do not visit as often to answer Q14 & Q15.
- Dog walking, young family activities.
- Don't go there much.
- Easy walking along well maintained footpaths. Plenty of information on wildlife/natural history. Flexible options on parking charges.
- Events such as the wood fair.
- Everything, especially safe children's area.
- Everything.
- Everything. It is so relaxing.
- Excellent for children.

- Facilities for children - but car park prices do deter local users.
- Facilities for children in the open air.
- Facilities for children.
- Facilities for the children. Good plates enabling disabled to enjoy - good restaurant - good parking.
- Fairly unspoilt.
- Fairly well layed out without spoiling the natural look. The skywalk good for all ages and capabilities. Plenty of wildlife for children to see, inc
- Footpaths.
- Forest walks & coffee shop.
- Freedom, fresh air.
- Fresh air, nature, lakes, wildlife, children's play park - cup of tea!!!
- Friendly staff.
- Go Ape course.
- Go for a walk. Cup of coffee. Photographic exhibition.
- Golf good for all ages.
- Golf, mountain bike trails, go-ape, tree top walk.
- Good amenities, toilets, café etc.
- Good coffee stop. Play areas for grandchildren. Freedom of the open space.
- Good cycle tracks.
- Good footpath network. Good cycle path network.
- Good for children (or granddaughter). Good golf course.
- Good place to take visiting children. Good dog walking area.
- Good things for children.
- Good walking in pleasant surroundings.
- Good walks, clean environment except picnic area. Excellent to take people in wheelchairs.
- Grandchildren enjoyed equipment & train rides 12 years ago, not visited since.
- Grounds/railways.
- Haven't been there.
- I accompany a school trip on 2 successive days. The wardens were very helpful, and mostly well prepared. In general there is a friendly atmosphere,
- I am a very rare visitor to Moors Valley possibly because of price. I prefer Cern? Park.
- I do not like that it caters for most ages, but I have not been for a long time due to the hugely elevated prices.
- I don't use it since one of my friend's dogs was bitten & died from a snake bite.
- I have not visited MVCP since it opened as there is plenty of countryside around Wimborne Minster to access without use of a car.
- I have only been that once to see an exhibition of photographs, so did not fully experience MVCP.
- I like the information/restaurant barn. I enjoy the shop. Mostly I like the whole ambience. There is something for all ages
- I take a group of Beaver scouts, they all enjoy the play trail & tree top trail.
- I think it is particularly suitable for children & young families.
- I was pleased to see the swan on her nest on the only occasion I've been there.

- I was very impressed by the reception places & the care of the car park areas. It was clean & tidy & sympathetic to people with difficulty in moving
- Information good for junior children.
- It's a family park.
- It's location & layout.
- It's tranquillity.
- It is a fantastic facility with something for families of all ages, all year round.
- It is a great place for children. My children are now grown up but I do have young nephews & niece. However, I do feel parking quite expensive just
- It is a safe place for young children & keeps them active & not get bored.
- It is within walking/cycling distance of home & is an inexpensive day out.
- Knowledgeable wardens & good facilities for children.
- Lake & shop & restaurant.
- Lakes, wildlife & birds. Landscaping.
- Layout, attractive walks, catering activities.
- Liked the lake & cycled to the park to cycle around the lake & sit for a while. Can no longer cycle around the lake so have stopped this lat few mo
- Link to countryside.
- Location, facilities, surroundings, parking.
- Lots of activities for all ages & quiet areas to walk.
- Lots of different walks.
- Lots to do - great for children but very busy at times so we tend to avoid it then.
- Lots to do. Very well maintained.
- Lovely playgrounds for the children.
- Miniature railway, children's play area & walks, restaurant.
- My grand daughter liked the railway.
- My wife & self were for some time full members of the M.V.C.P. However due to broken thigh have not been for some years.
- n/a
- Narrow gauge railway.
- Natural environment, plenty of parking & freedom for children to run.
- Natural environment & children's facilities.
- Natural environment.
- Natural woodland setting.
- Nature walks, activities & steam trains.
- Nice for walks.
- Nice place to walk with the dogs.
- Nice Walks.
- Not been for 12 years.
- Nothing of note.
- Nothing specific.
- Off road cycling & play areas.
- Open & safe environment.
- Open space & children's play area.
- Open space for children to run around in. Woodland trail & sandy play area.
- Open space with easy parking. Good for children & excellent for picnics.
- Open space, children's play areas, secure play area.

- Open space, play trail. The chance for children to let off steam. I take my brownie group for a visit every summer!
- Open space, woodlands walk & coffee shop.
- Open space.
- Open space/cycle.
- Open spaces, activities, amenities, and peacefulness.
- Open spaces, no crowds.
- Open spaces, plenty to do.
- Open spaces, trees & feeling of being in the country.
- Opportunity for pleasant walks. Excellent activities for children.
- Park & facilities.
- Peace & quiet after living by A31. Cleanliness, facilities & helpful staff. Wildlife.
- Photographic exhibition.
- Play area, golf facilities & cycle trails.
- Play areas for children.
- Play areas of natural materials.
- Play trail & park.
- Play trail & play area. Open spaces to walk.
- Play trail.
- Play train linked to walking in Ringwood Forest. Natural environment for children.
- Play trail, lake, bicycle track, train, dog walking, photo exhibitions & café!!
- Pleasant area for walking. Parking now too expensive.
- Pleasant area.
- Pleasant place for a walk.
- Pleasant place to walk.
- Pleasant walks.
- Pleasant walks. Not happy at all with the cost of parking as council tax payers should have concession.
- Plenty for all age groups.
- Plenty for children of all ages to do. Cycle friendly.
- Plenty for grandchildren to do.
- Plenty of good cycling paths.
- Plenty of space & different activities for children. No additional charges except train & "Go ape" which is expected.
- Plenty to keep children happy.
- Ponds & pathways especially for cycling.
- Quiet & peaceful (midweek especially). Wildlife.
- Quiet, easy walks.
- Railway & nature walks.
- Railway very popular with our grandchildren.
- Railway.
- Reasonable paths for wheelchairs, good walks & things to keep children occupied.
- Recreation, train etc for visiting grandchildren.
- Running tracks.
- Safe cycling with the children. Playground & play trail.
- Safe environment for children. Good café & lots of interesting things.

- Scenery, museum, swings. When grandchildren visit.
- Sense of space, the walks.
- So much to do & see in all weathers. Great for children. Somewhere to visit to unwind to think for me anyway.
- Something for every age group. Something to learn. Activity for active children.
- Something for the children to do. Haven't been there in the last 20 years.
- Somewhere safe to cycle.
- Space - semi natural but safe for children. *safety issue - a few years ago our son ran under the commando run & was hit by the button/person coming down.
- Space & plenty for children to do.
- Space for everyone, families & older people.
- Space, varied area.
- Space, well sign-posted, opportunity to walk away from people.
- The atmosphere. The quality and number of attractions.
- The chance to have a good walk.
- The children's play area & café. The lovely walk that takes you at Treetop house.
- The fact that it exists & the facilities provided.
- The golf course.
- The Golf.
- The lakes.
- The miniature railway & the cycle tracks.
- The miniature railway.
- The natural environment.
- The natural scenery & walking amenity which changes with the seasons.
- The open space & plenty of room.
- The outdoor walk/play trail - excellent for children (ours now grown up so no longer visit)
- The photographic wildlife exhibition. Also a good place for taking photos.
- The place is peaceful, interesting, well maintained. A pleasure to visit.
- The play area for the children, also the large play equipment which can be used as part of a walk.
- The play trail, dog walking.
- The pleasant atmosphere.
- The railway.
- The space - freedom - clean & well kept but the parking is too high.
- The train ride.
- The train & good refreshments areas. Nice shop.
- The train.
- The trees. The family, including grandchildren, like all the facilities.
- The variety of activities available.
- The walk is on the flat.
- The walk there from Verwood, the café, the walk around the lake.
- The walking in the wooded areas.
- The walks & tree top trail. Railway & lake has easy access to Verwood & Ringwood.
- The walks through the woodland and the lake. My young niece enjoys.

- The walks.
- The whole ambience is pleasurable.
- The Woodland Walk. The tearooms & play areas - but both could do with more seats for adults whilst children play.
- There are plenty of interests for children enough to spend a good amount of time.
- Train, activities.
- Tree top trail.
- Tree top trail. Go Ape.
- Tree top walk. Children's 'hideaway' sites.
- Tree tops walk.
- Tree walk.
- Trees, play area, train, easy to get to.
- Trip on train.
- Unspoilt and not crowded in winter.
- Varied interest for all ages, a must for young visitors, plus golf & cycling.
- Variety of things to do. Suitable for all ages.
- Variety of walks. Art shows & exhibitions.
- Very convenient.
- Very family friendly.
- Very good golf course. Nice walks, well managed open spaces.
- Visitor centre/ exhibiting therein.
- Walk around lake, train ride & model rail shop.
- Walking areas - café.
- Walking areas & tree walk.
- Walking in pleasant surroundings.
- Walking round the lake, the train for grandchildren's play area.
- Walking.
- Walks around lake/play trail & café.
- Walks in forest.
- Walks in the woods/countryside.
- Walks through forest & by the lake.
- walks, Lake.
- Walks.
- Walks. Play trail. Train. Café.
- We take our grandchildren. MVCP is safe & child friendly, easy walking/buggy pushing & the play areas/train. Great attractions.
- Well managed.
- Well organised facilities. Variety of lengths of walks. Interest for children of all ages.
- Well organized and looked after by the warden. Altogether lovely!
- Well run & something for everyone.
- What I don't like is going to "Go Ape" & having to find another £5.00 on top to pay for car park. Also when the children go orienteering with clubs
- When grandchildren were small used to enjoy the children's play area, railway or standard trail. Now it might be to practice orienteering or walk w
- When I was last there I enjoyed the train ride & a walk around the park.
- Wildlife - good open spaces.
- Woodland Walks, refreshment facilities.

- Woodland, flora, fauna. Ease of walking around, good to cycle around. Good for dog walking. Very spacious.

Q17a: Other?

- Coach with school trip.
- Drove to friends in Verwood & walked.
- Haven't been in years.
- Haven't been.
- I don't visit MVCP.
- Invalidity buggy.
- Walk.
- Went with someone who had a car.

Q19: If you haven't used the bus routes why is this?

- A problem with my mobility.
- Car park charges B. Like to walk via Potterne Park
- Always cycle.
- Always go by car - easier.
- Always have access to own transport.
- Am not sure of times and pick-up points for this service.
- As have always walked, lived in Three Legged Cross.
- As we have dogs we use our own transport.
- Because I go by car.
- Because it's more convenient to use my car.
- Because there are no bus routes in Ham Lane where we live. It's a mile to the nearest bus stop.
- Because they do not go from Woodlands, where I live.
- Because they don't operate in my area.
- Bus company would not like me taking cycle on the bus!
- Bus pick ups to far away.
- Bus stop not close to home/time of buses too infrequent.
- Bus times are inconvenient.
- By car (any time)
- Can not take the dogs onto public transport.
- Car
- Car available.
- Car is easier. Can come & leave when we please.
- Car is more convenient.
- Car more convenient for younger people.
- Car more convenient.
- Car.
- Car/cycle.
- Close enough to walk.
- Convenience by car.
- Convenience of car.
- Currently rely on the car.
- Didn't go again.

- Didn't know they existed.
- Didn't realize there was a bus route to MVCP.
- Did not know - bus too expensive for whole family. Only took our children when young.
- Did not know & they are not convenient as a rule.
- Did not know about them.
- Did not know anything about the MVCP.
- Disabled - vehicular access preferable.
- Disabled not suitable for wheelchair.
- Disabled.
- Do not go out very often. Our children go home.
- Do not provide access from my area & not convenient for dog transport,
- Do they run from Sturminster Marshall?
- Don't go any more.
- Don't go near my road.
- Don't go often & very few buses serve Corfe Mullen - to anywhere.
- Don't like public transport.
- Don't need to - live only a mile away & have a car.
- Don't need to use public transport.
- Don't need to, I am within walking/cycling distance.
- Don't require them as only 1 mile away from MVCP.
- Don't use buses.
- Don't use public transport.
- Easier with children, push chairs, bikes etc.
- Easy walk to park or take car with children.
- Either by car or walk.
- For golf course we need the car to transport our clubs etc. For granddaughter we are usually 3 or 4 persons & it is easier by car.
- Go by car for convenience.
- Go by car or cycle.
- Go by car.
- Go in car.
- Haven't wanted to go.
- Have a car.
- Have been unaware of bus times & stops to this area, from Ferndown.
- Have car.
- Have not wanted to go.
- Have own car - more convenient.
- Have own car.
- Have used the M36 from Verwood to Ringwood. Was not aware I could use this service to MVCP.
- Husband disabled.
- I'm disabled.
- I am a childminder so have several children in car seats.
- I am within walking distance.
- I do not have the time to schedule around using the bus system.
- I do use buses but not for visiting MVCP because the walk into the park from bus stop is too far. I have trouble walking distances.

- I don't go there.
- I drive a car.
- I have a car & a bike.
- I have a car.
- I have four very young children and I wasn't aware of any fairly direct bus routes, but this I will check this out.
- I have no-one to go with!
- I have used the X36 many times but not to go to MVCP. The one time I went to MVCP I took a disabled friend in my car.
- I have visited on a Sunday, with school, and to buy a Christmas tree - not times to use a bus!
- I live in a rural area with no public transport.
- I live in Colehill - is there a bus service?
- I live in walking distance to MVCP.
- I live in Wimborne & it is easier to go by car.
- I live only 1 mile from Moors Valley.
- I live too close to need a bus.
- I prefer to travel by car.
- I use my bike.
- I use my car.
- I use my own transport, car or bicycle, as I live nearby.
- I walk to MVCP.
- If not by car we cycled there & back. Availability of buses did not occur to use because alternatively to cycling to & back from there. We carried
- If/when we go to MVCP we cycle.
- Insufficient leisure time at present.
- It's easier to travel by car from Wimborne.
- Live in Verwood & MVCP is close to my home.
- Live in Wimborne.
- Live locally & cycle.
- Live on the edge of MVCP & can walk.
- Live too close.
- Live too near to require transport.
- Live too near.
- Living in Wimborne I find my own vehicle more convenient.
- Local to house.
- More convenient to use own vehicle.
- Much more convenient to use car & we take a dog.
- My friend cannot.
- Need my car. Always use main entrance through Verwood.
- Never been.
- Never heard of Norcat.
- Never heard of Norcat. Use X36 but unaware that it stops near MVCP.
- Never use buses.
- No
- No bus routes pass our house.
- No bus service from Corfe Mullen to Poole or Bournemouth unless we walk 1/3 of mile to nearest stop & change bus twice.

- No buses & walking is easier.
- No buses from Woodlands village!"
- No need, I live there.
- No need.
- No need. I live within walking distance.
- No sensible bus service from Alderholt.
- Not applicable.
- Not appropriate.
- Not available years ago.
- Not aware - are dogs allowed on buses?
- Not aware but couldn't catch in Wimborne.
- Not aware of service.
- Not aware of the times they run.
- Not aware of them - probably quite expensive & I don't live in Poole or Bournemouth.
- Not aware!
- Not aware.
- Not aware. Bus route not suitable.
- Not aware. No horse, too far to walk!
- Not aware/convenient. Car is easier.
- Not been on a bus for 12 years!
- Not convenient.
- Not convenient: route not near my address.
- Not enough time to stop at MVCP.
- Not enough time, yet, to take our time!
- Not near to bus route, also have dog with us when we visit.
- Not needed.
- Own car and able to drive.
- Own car.
- Own transport.
- Prefer car transport.
- Prefer car.
- Prefer convenience of car, carries 5 people.
- Prefer to travel by car.
- Prefer to travel by car. Sunday services are limiting.
- Prefer to use car.
- Prefer to use the car.
- Run at inconvenient time.
- See Q15.
- See Q19.
- Take dog to MVCP. Need car - she can't walk that far (as is old with arthritis)
- Taking family & dog is too inconvenient by bus.
- They don't serve our area.
- They would not pass Haythorne or Horton.
- Too close to MVCP to use public transport.
- Too expensive & not convenient from home address.
- Travel by car.

- Unaware of the bus routes.
- Unaware, comfort & convenience of car.
- Unreliable & too far to walk from bus stop
- Use a car.
- Use car for convenience.
- Use car for convenience. Often have old, infirm people with me. Bus not practical.
- Use car or walk.
- Use car.
- Use of car & need to use more than one bus.
- Usually take picnics etc or play golf. Sometimes cycle or walk.
- Usually travel by car as we live off a bus route.
- Usually use car but also neither is direct from Corfe Mullen.
- We enjoy the freedom of using our car & travelling at times convenient to us. We can also pick up other people & take them there (& home again).
- We have such a shocking bus service in Corfe Mullen. I would never consider using a bus until the local service is improved.
- We live close, but not near a bus stop.
- We live in Alderholt.
- We live in Verwood.
- We live local to MVCP, too far to walk but the car park is too expensive to use just for a walk. Locals pay enough on their council tax, so should
- We live very close to MVCP so can walk/cycle there.
- We walk to the park.
- Were not aware.
- Within walking distance.
- Wouldn't be of any use as I live in Ashley Heath. Also I can only access low floor buses.
- Would always travel by car, perhaps bicycle.
- Would you take 2 children, a buggy, a rucksack & a dog on a bus? And it takes so long!
- X36 - nearest point is 3 Legged Cross. Not much difference than walking from Verwood.
- X36 does not go to MVCP as far as I know.

Q21: If you were aware of off road access points but haven't used why is this?

- Advertise them. Free parking for EDDC tax payers.
- Always walk or cycle from West Moors.
- Are they free?
- Because I do not visit MVCP.
- By car - easier.
- Car from Wimborne quickest.
- Choice, reference.
- Convenience is primary consideration.
- Convenience of Potterne Park.
- Convenience.
- Didn't want to walk that way.
- Did not occur to me.
- Disability.
- Distance & convenience.
- Distance to travel without car. No parking if car used.
- Do not visit often enough.
- Do not visit very often.
- Don't know exactly where is.
- Don't know where they are.
- Don't need to.
- Easier to park at MVCP.
- Easier to use other access points.
- Either by car.
- Entry to park is closest to where we live.
- Further aware than regular access point.
- Further from where I live.
- Further to go.
- Go by car.
- Haven't needed to go that way.
- Have never travelled to MVCP by bicycle or foot.
- Have not wanted to go.
- I can't walk that far.
- I decided to visit with a friend, and walk from Verwood.
- I don't own a horse or live in 3X.
- I don't visit MVCP.
- I don't walk that far, or ride at all.
- I have a car - see Q19.
- I live in Holt.
- I live in P.M. Estate. No point in travelling when I have a nearer access.
- I live in Verwood.
- I never go there.
- It is easier to travel from Verwood.
- Keep dogs on leads.
- Like the Potterne Park route. It's convenient to where we live.
- Live in Parley.

- Live locally
- Live so near Potterne Park. Don't need the other access points.
- Live too near.
- Main entrance is convenient.
- Majority of visits - main entrance.
- More convenient to go from the Ringwood forest.
- n/a
- Nearer to first two without using car.
- Never been.
- No convenient.
- No good reason - need to be more flexible!
- No need.
- No need. Potterne Close.
- Not appropriate to Three Legged Cross.
- Not aware.
- Not been made aware of the access roads. Lack of residential info regarding parks.
- Not convenient by car.
- Not convenient for OAP on bicycle from Wimborne.
- Not convenient for us.
- Not convenient to travel to Verwood & to get to the park.
- Not convenient.
- Not direct access from my area.
- Not direct route.
- Not in my direction.
- Not local to me.
- Not necessary - not on my route home.
- Not necessary for us.
- Not sure which we use. It's off a main road near RSPCA>
- Now age related (85) & walking difficulty.
- Only thought there was main entrance access.
- Only visit once in a blue moon. Last time was about 6 years ago.
- Park in main car park.
- Possibly too long a walk for 5 year olds - ok going but they wouldn't be so keen coming back.
- Prefer convenience of car with young children.
- Prefer main car park.
- Preferred park - car park.
- See Q15
- See Q19.
- Somewhat restricted in walking.
- The link from MVCP to the railway is not user friendly.
- The Potterne access & the closest to home.
- The scouts cycle to NVCP from Verwood.
- Three Legged Cross & West Moors not suitable.
- Time constraints.
- Time is limited.
- Too far from home.

- Too far from my address.
- Too far to commute from home.
- Too far to walk.
- Too far too cycle.
- Too far.
- Too much walking.
- Too old to walk that far.
- Use car.
- Use the other routes very occasionally.
- Visit by car.
- We do not cycle. We do not walk far.
- We live in St Ives - 3 minutes drive.
- We no longer wish to visit MVCP.
- We use shortest route from Ferndown.
- When we last visited we had car pass.
- Will cycle when my children are a bit older.

Q24: How do you think provision of open spaces can be improved?

- Access, management, will to provide space.
- As I find Q25. I am unaware of the majority of these places. Maybe a booklet distributed in all areas of the sites & their interests.
- Best left as they are, as natural as possible.
- Better advertising & promotion. Better signage.
- Better facilities e.g. café & something to do! Clear litter & dog poo.
- Better promotion.
- Better publicity & special events.
- Better signage of Castlemain trailway from east to west as it crosses B3072, West Moors (Mary Lane) & also back the other way west to east particular
- Better signposting to these areas.
- Bridleways and footpaths are not always well maintained and also some stiles. This is particularly the case in late summer making walking & cycling
- By education and by spot checks with dog wardens & also litter wardens.
- By keeping control of trees & maintaining the walking areas.
- By making car parking cheaper.
- By more advertising.
- By not constant building. Use current buildings & not open green land.
- By providing park keepers.
- Colehill requires a more substantial climbing & swinging area for children in a more open area than the one currently available.
- Continued emphasis on "no for tipping" which in turn is suitably policed.
- Control of development (urban sprawl). Information (I live in Colehill & have not heard of Churchmoor Copse or Wesley Wood?).
- Convenient car parks.
- Could be managed better. Stop houses going through Poor Common churning up the ground.
- Create interest & park benches/shelters/refuse & dog bins. Extra lighting/bicycle paths.

- Cut down the amount of people, certain times of the day, certain times of the year they are swamped by users (out of towners?), so they don't use a
- Do not know.
- Don't know.
- Don't use enough to comment.
- East Dorset do very well & I do not think that they can improve.
- Encourage more events such as fetes & fairs.
- Facilities such as toilets, kiosks made better.
- For me level access with a suitable surface & good car parking so that I can use my mobility scooter.
- Getting people to be proud of their own area.
- Greater awareness for local community, information re. history & wildlife etc. clearly defined walks with info as above. Booklet detailing all of a
- I don't know.
- I don't see how it can be improved with builders grabbing any spare land & green belt land. We have heathland & forest enclosures all around.
- I don't use the open spaces in Q25, as I prefer Southbourne & Boscombe cliffs & Mundeford.
- I live in Colehill which is very poorly served in this respect.
- I think it is an adequate open space.
- I think it would be difficult to improve in this area.
- I think we are well catered for.
- I would like to see more young children encouraged to use park in centre of Verwood. Volley ball or rounders (used in winter by one youth club). Or
- If they are well maintained & all the pathways kept clear. The residents will enjoy them, take pride in them & want to protect them from inappropriate attention.
- Improve local transport. I live off Wimborne Rd. As far as I am aware only buses to Poole, Wimborne & Bournemouth are available along this stretch
- In Wimborne they are very good & no building should take place on them.
- It should be wildlife friendly with hides.
- It would be nice to have a big park nearby.
- Keep clear of rubbish.
- Keep free of litter & dog fouling.
- Keep free of litter & thugs.
- Keep them clean.
- Keeping walking surfaces useable.
- Keeping clear access by rights of way & maps at T.I.C.
- Leaflet drops through people's letter boxes.
- Leave as natural as possible.
- Leave as natural as possible. No more landfill sites please.
- Less dog mess. Better toilets. More park wardens.
- Litter collection. Better enforcement of anti-dog mess. Better maintenance, especially collection of grass cuttings.
- Local walking guides to promote these areas signs for where they are.
- Location/access maps - sign posts & indication of public open space. May have visited some open spaces from O.S. maps - footpaths but not aware of
- Monitoring must be frequent & vandals should be dealt with according to the law.

- More access for disabled visitors.
- More access to private land.
- More action on litter.
- More activities for children.
- More advertising of open sites.
- More attention to clearing footpaths.
- More collection of litter & removal of graffiti.
- More dog bins - child free - no dog areas. More litter bins - far more direction signs. Information at entrances regarding muddy animals roaming etc.
- More dog fouling signs & bins.
- More free parking.
- More frequent litter clearance.
- More frequent sweeping of roads. For instance, broken glass by bus stop below Porsche garage is new road, has remained at least 2 weeks.
- More information about how to get access.
- More information could be provided as to where these locations are & how to get to them. More local transport would help access. Info in leaflets a
- More information should be provided.
- More information.
- More litter & dog bins could be provided. More seats available. Potterne Park grass could be cut more frequently & more provision for youngsters. S
- More litter bins & dog waste bins.
- More litter bins which should be emptied regularly.
- More play areas on outskirts of Wimborne.
- More publicity of the facilities available.
- More regular maintenance (rubbish collection, path upkeep & grass & shrub trimming)
- More seating for less able i.e. more seats on Poor common.
- More seats around for walkers from Verwood to Moors valley. I am 85 & like to sit here & there.
- More seats for old people like me.
- More secure children's play areas.
- More sign-posts. Make sure they are litter & dog foul free.
- More sports clubs into green belt & create parks.
- More supervision in respect of vandalism. Not enough checks!!
- More wardens.
- More well sign posted & advertised off road cycling paths.
- Most open spaces & walks in the rural areas of East Dorset. Are around the lands of the big estates, but can't see them giving much privacy away.
- Need to know more about them in the first place.
- Never seen a list as shown in Q25 before. More allotments to use open space.
- No dogs.
- No idea except keep yobs under control.
- No ideas.
- No need for improvement - plenty of spaces around.
- No opinion springs to mind.
- No opinion.

- No relevant thoughts.
- No suggestion.
- No, it is fine.
- No.
- Not sure.
- Only by better transport facilities.
- Paths in Ferndown common need gravelling.
- Pathways being kept cleared - more parking provided. Some parking areas have not been blocked - I assume due to rubbish tipping & travellers.
- People made more aware of them.
- Picnic facilities (tables & benches) toilets.
- Plant more trees.
- Promote it more - leaflets, post etc. Have never heard of most of these places & have been here since 1979.
- Promote them by holding free/low cost events during school holidays.
- Provide free parking & more toilets.
- Providing more wildlife attractants & bridle paths for horse riding (roads are unsafe)
- Provision appears adequate.
- Provision of facilities at King George V playing fields for other than small children. Local area maps/information.
- Public seats.
- Raise awareness.
- Reduced parking rates.
- Regular clean & better security checks.
- Regular maintenance & litter collection. Plenty of seating.
- Safe cycle routes to & from. More open spaces.
- Satisfied.
- See answer to Q19.
- Sign posting knowing where open spaces are.
- Signage for walks.
- Sixpenny Handley is applying for grant aid for further improvements to our excellent recreation facilities for use by sports club
- Spending money - but that is scarce.
- Stop building so many houses.
- Stopping youths using them for drug or alcohol sites. I am aware there are law abiding citizens.
- Swimming - Broadstone sports centre. Cycle paths all around area.
- The existing open spaces need to be permanently retained & maintained for future generations. No sell outs to developers.
- The main problem is a lack of car parking near the open spaces (a difficult problem, I know).
- The provision of open spaces is excellent compared with other places I have lived or visited.
- There is always a lot of litter in the play park next to the memorial. (I think older kids hang around there in the evenings)
- These should be promoted via local free papers & local papers/tourist information centres.

- To improve Ferndown sports centre. We need a "Littledown" over the Ferndown side.
- Toilet facilities at Potterne Park available during daylight hours.
- Toilet facilities in some areas would help.
- Use for fetes & shows.
- Very good.
- Walk tracks improved.
- We have a dog so we use the recreation ground at Badbury view daily & I think the provisions there are well balanced.
- Whilst there has been a considerable improvement at 3 LC in terms of provision for children & youths, there is nothing to attract adults & seniors
- With particular reference to MVCP with additional litter disposal facilities.
- Yes, it's all in the maintenance - keep clean & tidy & involve community to be proud of areas & help to protect. (schools etc. too)

Q27: How do you think provision of leisure, sport and recreation facilities can be improved?

- A fitness course at Potterne Park.
- A fitness training circuit at Potterne Park.
- A swimming pool in Verwood with times for the infirm & pensioners - separate from normal public times.
- A swimming pool in Verwood!
- A swimming pool in Verwood.
- Adequate facilities.
- Again more literature by post.
- Allocate more money, e.g. Bournemouth athletic club - coaches are unpaid & have to pay for their own certificates. Club management/secretary all voluntary - this government & local authority are not truly committed to leisure & sport development.
- Amenities could be advertised better.
- An indoors bowls centre would be an asset.
- As I have no young family I cannot give an opinion.
- As the leisure centre belongs to the school, they get priority therefore restricting the timetable for the public, especially during the day.
- Because of schools requirements, the sessions at particularly swimming, are regularly curtailed. This is not conducive to encouraging use. Also there should be more regular sessions to seniors at convenient hours not combined with other users e.g. children & family groups.
- Better facilities in Verwood.
- Better incentives to buy membership.
- Better information.
- Better marked footpaths.
- Better publicity & more special events.
- Better supervision.
- Bigger - better swimming pools. Another skating rink - bigger.
- Building & swimming pool in Verwood.
- Bus service to these.
- By making the cost more amenable.
- By publicity of facilities available.
- Cheaper family memberships for local residents.
- Colehill in neglected in this respect.
- Control of development & provision of cycle lanes & or dual use footpaths.
- Costs for senior citizens.
- Defending existing open spaces e.g... Hanhams field cricket ground!
- Difficult for me to comment here as I use Ringwood health & leisure, being closer to me.
- Difficult to say as I tend not to use them & rather go for walks in the country.
- Don't know.
- Don't use sport, leisure facilities.
- Don't use these facilities
- Encourage the older residents to use facilities e.g. OAP's swim times only & reduce the price.
- Entertainment for children & young people who may not be very sporty.

- Ferndown - plenty of all the above available all year round.
- Ferndown - Times for different categories, swimming could be standardized - very confusing at the moment.
- Ferndown leisure centre (pool) would benefit from a good clean.
- Ferndown leisure centre needs to be better maintained e.g. hairdryers out of order for several weeks now.
- Find out exactly what local residents want & supply their demands. Do local school questionnaires re. parks & facilities & demands.
- Football sessions at Ferndown upper school leave litter. Why can't they pick it up themselves?
- Free taster sessions for all ages & abilities.
- From a purely selfish point of view a more local swimming pool would be convenient.
- Generally we are too busy to use now, but intend to use more on retirement next year.
- Give Verwood a swimming pool.
- Greater local publicity e.g. community magazine.
- I am more than happy & feel we are fortunate to have so many facilities within our area.
- I am very satisfied with the leisure facilities but do not often use cultural facilities, so am unable to comment. I would like to see greater access to allotment sites.
- I do not visit a leisure centre but I think that they need to be reasonably priced & open at times the public would use them.
- I don't know.
- I don't use them so cannot comment.
- I live on Dorset/Heath border so often use Ringwood/Hants - all I can say in that Ringwood's pool is better than Ferndown's.
- I used to visit QE, but the disability changing rooms are inadequate, there being only one for the swimming.
- I would join QE if peak time was cheaper.
- Ideally some facility where we live in Ashley e.g. a small community hall.
- If more incentives could be created to involve people in the neighbour and/or make them aware. I am not sure how, but perhaps more personal "through the door" info might help? We seem to be more about sports than environmental issues.
- Impossible to improve - swimming pool needed & wanted by all in Verwood, but too expensive to run. More netball & tennis courts needed.
- Improved opening hours at leisure centres/pools.
- Indoor facilities in the Verwood area are lagging behind populations growth i.e. swimming pool.
- Introduction of transport to leisure centres etc. especially for children.
- Is there a youth club for the young of C.M? There should be.
- It is all too expensive for low income families.
- It was a great disappointment losing the Dormy leisure club. Ferndown school facilities are still not on a par to Q.E. at Wimborne. Most residents I now, still drive to Kinson for a "decent" social leisure club.
- Just more information about the above would be useful.
- Keep promoting & make public aware of what is available.

- Keeping footpaths open for walking - restricting cycles & motorcycles.
- Keeping prices for admission low.
- Local indoor swimming pool.
- Lower the price for pensioners on low income receiving pension credit. It would encourage healthy living and less stress on the NHS. Even with the doctors certificate leisure centres still charge.
- Make the prices of classes & gym entry cheaper.
- Make them free!!
- Making more "free" facilities.
- Maybe access to leisure like the pool area has to your sport & leisure facilities in the East Dorset area.
- Membership of QE - I am an off peak member as I can't afford full membership - but I would like to go to some classes that are held in the evening. I think for the over 60's (I'm on a limited income) full membership should be at off peak price. Also opens at 8 at w/e - not 6:30 as week, so can't get there if we have visitors as would be too late.
- More activities in Verwood.
- More advertising & facilities for use locally e.g. sport & rec at Colehill memorial hall.
- More advertising.
- More advertising. Fairly limited in Ferndown.
- More affordable.
- More choice of activity with more choice of times.
- More concessions for over 60'a.
- More facilities for young adults with disabilities (autism) & learning disabilities.
- More facilities in Verwood e.g. pool/larger leisure centre.
- More facilities therefore people spread more evenly. Too many people when I can get along. I find the experience quite unpleasant. Belong to private facilities now, but that is also being swamped by people. (General growing problem with the whole area is the growing amount of people)
- More for children aged 11 upwards in school holidays - say roller-skate rink, goal kicking footballs, etc in Ferndown.
- More information.
- More local maps with clear description of parking & facilities.
- More personnel (including volunteers)
- More protected cycle routes/paths in order to use main roads & access open spaces and leisure facilities especially for children.
- More provision in villages.
- More publicity, leaflets with local free press.
- More sports centres - outside pool/lido for summer.
- More up market facilities like the Dormy was.
- More village play areas.
- More youth clubs & similar facilities for teenagers.
- Most leisure activities in Verwood seem to be well supported, however things may improve even more when the 'Hub' has become more established. Younger people want different things to the older people.
- N/A
- Need expanded facilities in Verwood - a swimming pool!!

- Need leisure centres for the younger generation so can keep them off the streets.
- Need of a swimming pool in Verwood.
- No direct bus available early in the morning from where I live.
- No experience.
- No idea.
- No opinion.
- No relevant thoughts.
- No suggestion, except that removal of Wimborne cricket ground to an out of town location would NOT count as an improvement!
- No.
- None.
- Not bothered.
- Not good use of taxpayers' money - private facilities should cope with demand.
- Not much.
- Not selling off land.
- Not very sporty myself so can't really comment.
- Only by more interest from local people & families. Not much interest from rural villages & hamlets now more likely to be against.
- Perhaps a little more financial input from the council treasury.
- Planned recreation area on Leigh Road should be completed & used.
- Priority is given to school use. Better access to facilities during day for adults.
- Promote it more & keep it clean & safe.
- Provision of a swimming pool in Verwood.
- Provision of swimming pool at Verwood would be a major improvement to leisure facilities.
- Put the whole in one area, and then build the much required housing on the existing sports fields.
- QE will be upgraded?
- Quite satisfied with existing facilities, but perhaps as car owners we have access - transport may be a problem.
- Satisfied.
- See answer at Q24
- Sell the country parks, buy from the town councils.
- Some need investment i.e. Corfe Mullen rec pavilion.
- Sorry - have no opinion.
- Special rates for children & OAP.
- Spending more of our money - not in favour. People can't afford higher taxes.
- Sport needs to be cheaper for teenagers.
- Sports centres are too expensive.
- Support of Wimborne rugby club in re-building premises & providing a local hall for social purposes.
- Swimming pool for Verwood area.
- Swimming pool for Verwood residents would be an asset.
- Swimming pool in Verwood & larger leisure centre.
- Swimming pool in Verwood.

- Swimming pool.
- The planet seems to hand out syringes & condoms more or less advocating the use of drugs, & that is all I'm aware that is available for ages 14 & up.
- The town desperately needs a meeting place for the teenagers to meet/play table tennis/snooker etc. in the town, not on the Cranborne Road or in the school they spend the daytime in.
- They could perhaps be more attractive to senior citizens & have more improved catering.
- They have been improved e.g. QE leisure centre. Good NT land around.
- They need to be cheaper for family use, particularly for single parents.
- To continue to provide facilities for the more elderly & less mobile in the community.
- Unable to comment, no knowledge.
- Unsure.
- Updating leisure centres.
- Use them for fetes, shows, craft shows & summer proms.
- Ventilation at Q.E. could be improved. Too hot in sun - stuffy - air "dead".
- Verwood has the hub but still no real leisure facilities e.g. swimming pool in purpose built venue.
- Verwood leisure centre is very dated.
- Verwood leisure centre not big enough. Need more facilities & events to cover all ages.
- Verwood needs a swimming pool & decent leisure/health club.
- Verwood needs better leisure facilities.
- We don't use these enough to comment.
- We live on the boundary & have to travel long distance to Wimborne so do not use facilities.
- West Moors (see parish plan). Would like more indoor facilities, also better lighting to youth club. Drop in centres for youth.
- Wimborne Rugby Club should move to 'By the way' site which should be fully developed soon. Part of the Leigh park space thus released should be used as recreation area & part for building affordable homes!

Q29: If you were dissatisfied with the services for young people why was this?

- Give the children alternatives to meeting in car parks.
- Granddaughter lives in Verwood. Finds facilities for young people very poor. The Hub does not have events for young people.
- Haven't got kids or grandkids.
- Hence the large groups that hang around the centre of Verwood - where else can they go?
- I don't have children. There seems to be a lack of facilities & things to do for youths hence under age drink problem in the town.
- I have no children living near us, but know there is an excellent well run youth club in town - also football teams at weekends.
- I have no children or grandchildren.
- I have no children so cannot answer these questions. I am aware however that there are facilities.

- I have no grandchildren.
- I see a lot of young people congregating in the street.
- In Alderholt there appears to be no evening/weekend facilities for younger people/youths.
- In the new house around Davids Lane no provision for young people to play ball etc.
- Insufficient supervision.
- Lack of affordable care & after school clubs for my grandchildren.
- Moors valley park. QE swimming pool.
- N/A
- Need more facilities for meeting rather than street corners.
- No children in this age bracket.
- No children.
- No facilities to keep them off the streets.
- No youth worker for a year and poor facilities at the Heatherlands Centre and it is never open!
- Not aware of much of what is happening.
- Not enough facilities for children.
- Not enough for children to do in the evenings.
- Not enough to do particularly in the evenings.
- Not enough youth centres/activities available.
- Not much to do in Alderholt.
- Nothing for teenagers to do.
- Nothing for them.
- Nothing much at all, just leisure centre. Youth centre looks unappealing.
- Nothing to do & nowhere to go! No skateboard courses, no tracks for bicycles, no entertainment centres/internet café/games hall.
- Nothing to do.
- Nothing to keep children occupied in the evenings.
- Other children become more independent there is less & less for them in Verwood, until they can use buses/cars & leave for other towns.
- Poor facilities in Verwood.
- Problem with dog's mess.
- See overleaf.
- See Q27 & Q31. Child/adult ratios certainly would not be considered adequate by Ofsted for under 8 years.
- Should be more services for young people with disabilities - autism/learning difficulties.
- Sorry don't know any 11 - 18 year olds to ask.
- St Ives Park. St Ives scouting hall.
- The children I work with are on the whole, dissatisfied & unaware of services.
- The local youths are getting to the troublesome age & they don't have anything to do, so they vandalize the hall & moon around.
- The Planet drop-in centre is inadequate as a youth club facility. The learning centre behind the Minster should have been used as a proper youth club in the evenings
- The young people should spend time on the streets. Go to Poor Common to drink & damage. No where for them to go or things to do.

- There are no facilities (except the skate park) for my two children aged 13 & 17.
- There doesn't appear to be much for young people to do.
- There does not appear to be much supervised evening or holiday activities for younger people in the Alderholt area.
- There is nothing for teenagers to do in Alderholt.
- There is very little for them to do in the village. Public transport is virtually non-existent.
- They seem to just hang around with nothing to do.
- Too many young people hanging around the town centre (Ferndown) with nothing to do.
- Too many youngsters hanging around Penny's walk area.
- Wasn't aware of any services provided for young people in this area, particularly for children with disabilities.
- We have grandchildren in the above age group who live in Alderholt, & all seven attended the local school. As they have got older they appear to go the other area
- We have no young children or grandchildren.
- We have to encourage them to take up hobbies & interests to make public space safer at night.
- Young people are patronised. Youth club & sports clubs associations should be properly financed with paid leaders - not voluntary. Why should we depend on volunteers

Q31: What activities have you and your children used?

- "Children" aged 23 & 21 now. Opinions out of date!
- Cinema at the Hub once, but most films already seen when they arrive in Verwood. 2. Park (when my children were under 11) 3. Some summer activities organised b
- All grown up & gone away.
- All live away from area.
- Always Hampshire c.c. activities.
- At QE & Ferndown leisure.
- Broadstone Leisure centre beach, Upton Moors Valley parks.
- Children all grown up - used leisure centre & church facilities now.
- Children are now adults. Grandson only 2 months old.
- Church activities.
- Clubs in village. Badgers & Rainbows.
- Cycling proficiency, swimming, parks, and trails.
- Dance workshop from "summer blast". Moors Valley summer activities.
- Do not have grandchildren living in this country.
- Facilities in Verwood play areas & Moors valley.
- Ferndown L.C. summer activities.
- Ferndown leisure centre & park.
- Ferndown leisure centre activities.
- Ferndown school swimming pool but prefer St Leonards pool @ caravan park so drive there. Library at Barrington.

- Ferndown sports centre (over 10 years ago) not now. They go to Littledown as "better is bigger".
- Generally sport activities for our 8yr old, but find that limited availability for 6yr old as all days sessions are too long for him doing just one activity.
- Go Ape, Moors Valley.
- Go ape, Tower Park, Oceanarium, I-Max.
- Grandchildren - football.
- Haven't.
- Have no children.
- Have taken grandchildren to our local park.
- Holiday activities - summer blast.
- Honeytree farm, farmer Giles & Cholderton rare breeds.
- I don't have children living at this address.
- In the past holiday days out.
- King George recreation area & field.
- Leisure centre's adventure parks.
- Leisure centre activities that are adult led & organised.
- Leisure centres.
- Memorial Park, Verwood. Potterne Park - tennis & rugby.
- Mini mobs after school club. "Give us a break" summer scheme.
- Model village in Wimborne.
- Moors Valley & Kings Park.
- Moors Valley & Potterne Park, Ringwood leisure centre.
- Moors Valley, Go ape, miniature railway, trails.
- Moors Valley country park.
- Moors Valley, Avon Forest.
- Moors Valley, Fairfield leisure centre.
- Moors Valley. Rediotts Recreation Ground.
- Moors valley. St Ives nature area.
- Most of them.
- MVCP. Potterne Park. ATC Lansdowne. Verwood Heritage Centre Hub. Memorial hall.
- My grandchildren do not live in the area.
- N/A
- NIA
- No children living in this area.
- No children of appropriate age.
- No children.
- None - grandchildren too young.
- None - my youngest just turned 18.
- None - no children.
- None.
- Not applicable.
- Our grandchildren live in Bristol - but we do take them to Moors valley C.P.
- Parks & playgrounds in Ferndown.
- Parley field & swings.
- Play areas - Corfe Mullen rec, village hall & Henbury school.
- Playpens on P.M. estate.

- Priests House museum, model town.
- Priests House museum, Tivoli.
- QE holiday activities.
- QE leisure centre - wall climbing, story telling events. Walford Mill.
- QE leisure centre library - stories.
- QE tennis.
- Railway, bikes, walks, rope swinging.
- Recreation ground Corfe Mullen, Wimborne Park bowls area. Swings parks for the grandchildren.
- Rock climbing.
- scouts - poorly run & organised, girl guides & air cadets.
- Sixpenny Handley recreation ground.
- Sports centre & Moors Valley activities.
- Sports facilities.
- St Ives Park, St Ives scouting hall.
- Summer activities - adventure.
- Summer camp at QE centre.
- Swimming
- Swimming.
- Swing park (up until 2 years ago) - King George V playing fields. Climbing frames etc at Moors Valley (again until children too big)
- Tennis, football clubs at Q.E.
- The Hub, Potterne, Give us a break in Verwood, Moors Valley.
- The playground equipment a C.M. recreation ground.
- They don't like organised activities.
- Too many to mention - had years of fun with grandchildren, sadly too old to use summer last so grandma has to go without!
- Walford Mill & Ferndown leisure centre.
- Walford Mill, Priests House museum.
- Walking on the new forest, coastal & inland footpaths cycling on less busy country roads & new forest.

Q32a: If poor why?

- But not around Ashley.
- Computer illiterate!
- I don't have a view on what young people should do.
- N/A
- No children.
- Not applicable.
- Not aware of it.
- Not used.
- Read above.
- Scouting hall needs refurbishing.
- Too old, no grandchildren below 18.

Q35: What facilities for young people would you like to see provided by EDDC?

- A coffee bar to meet & chat with no alcohol.
- A drop in centre during day & evenings & weekends for coffee & chat.
- A kind of youth drop in centre, where it is informal just somewhere warm where kids can hang out away from the streets, away from harm.
- A pool.
- A safe & comfortable venue for them to meet in the village with suitable facilities? Internet café.
- A youth centre in Colehill.
- A youth club in Alderholt.
- A youth club in Wimborne where young people can enjoy a coffee bar facility & therefore do not need to frequent the pubs.
- Active youth workers to help with teenage problems e.g. drink & drugs, perhaps structured activities such as martial arts which provides a good philosophy.
- After school clubs.
- Am aware of youth club opened in 3 Legged Cross village hall kept going by volunteers for several years, but closed due to children's behaviour.
- Answers above are based on hearsay from disgruntled youngsters voicing their usual complaint "there is nothing for us to do"! How about evening classes?
- Anything that is financed properly & run professionally. Young people are aware that the government both locally & centrally pay them "lip service".
- Better advertising of facilities/activities available.
- Better bus services to Bournemouth & Tower Park particularly in the evenings.
- Better public transport to Poole & Bournemouth.
- Better transport facilities for youngsters living in outline areas - Woodlands, 3 Cross for evening entertainments - the Hub!" Leisure centre - youth club.
- Bring back/encourage air, sea & army cadet forces, to occupy & train youngsters to be good citizens & patriots.
- Buses from villages.
- Cheaper & better bus service.
- Coffee bar/café with lounge area.
- Difficult - there are plenty of clubs (youth club & hub/activities, scouts & guides. But those that need to be occupied will not join.
- Districts should be cleaning County!
- Do not have children in age range.
- Do not know.
- Don't know. The boy in our scout troop have many activities run by us & the schools.
- Don't know. Youths can be an ungrateful bunch!
- Drop in centres.
- Facilities for teenagers that treat them like young adults & offer services they will want to stop them just hanging around.
- Facilities identified by young people & affordable.

- Free access to leisure & sports facilities after school hours. Coffee house or café open to 10:30pm. (only pubs at present). Ask the youths.
- Free transport to sports venues.
- Have no children at home now to ask.
- Have no constructive view as my children are now adults.
- I don't know enough about it to express an opinion.
- I don't know enough to comment.
- I feel young people should speak for themselves. As grandparents we feel that their parents should advise or help them.
- I would like young people to suggest for themselves rather than me.
- I would like to see more use of school facilities out of hours under supervision. A lot of taxpayers money is invested in expensive equipment in schools which is only used during school hours & could be used much more intensively for general benefit of the community in general & youth in particular.
- Ice rink - youth club for younger children.
- Improve and put on public transport.
- Keep kids off the streets - they are bored! My children scared off groups of chavs around & have been hit!
- Large youth club with facilities for youngsters to work on cars, or practise with musical instruments & as many other youth type ideas. This would be run by the young people, with supervision.
- Leisure centre with swimming pool.
- Make leisure facilities more affordable. Have youth clubs open to them.
- Make them behave better & realize that the taxpayers NOT them pay for it all.
- Meeting places & youth clubs, young peoples bars/soda fountains.
- Meeting places in centre of village - open in evenings.
- More activities for older teenagers.
- More activities to take them off the streets especially 12-17 year olds.
- More buses from Verwood to different areas with more frequent services to Bournemouth.
- More evening youth centres.
- More for the age group 14 - 18.
- More friendly, clean youth centres & activity areas.
- More integration between young people & elderly residents.
- More parental participation & control.
- More sports clubs.
- More support for youth groups, our church provides the only youth group in our village & gets little or no support from the council.
- More youth clubs and activities especially in Colehill.
- More youth clubs with good publicity.
- More youth clubs, activities for children to go to in their local area.
- More youth clubs, sports facilities in our local area. Assistance to get there also would be very useful.
- More youth facilities - to keep them off the streets.
- n/a
- No children or grandchildren of relevant age & it is a long time since being involved with any youth activities, so comments would not be helpful.

- No children.
- No experience.
- No idea what young people REALLY want?
- No young people.
- None - quite enough already.
- Open space, small community hall our side of the A31.
- Our grandchildren live in another county, so we not aware of facilities etc for young people in Dorset.
- Perhaps chess clubs, ballroom dancing, cooking.
- Pitches at Bytheway.
- Play area with swings/slides etc.
- Provide youth clubs.
- Provision for evening activities for 11 - 18 year olds.
- See above Q34
- See answer to Q24
- See overleaf.
- Skate park (only concrete bowl in Verwood)
- Something to boost morale & cost little to them.
- Somewhere for them to go in the evenings.
- Somewhere for them to meet.
- Still a lot of older children hanging around the leisure centre & village centre in the evening.
- Supervision.
- Swimming pool in Verwood.
- Swimming pool in Verwood.
- Swimming pool.
- They do not use the facilities that they have now.
- Think that it would help if Heatherlands centre was open in the evenings for the young, but have no bright ideas of how this could be achieved.
- Too old - younger people & families must get more involved.
- We have visited grandchildren who are young, so we have good facilities for our needs.
- We think present facilities are adequate. They have excellent facilities at school. (Canford)
- Wide range of evening activities, focusing on sport & trades.
- Would young people appreciate more facilities or would they just abuse them. I wonder!
- Youth club & disco.
- Youth club @ C.M.
- Youth club.
- Youth clubs & activities for young people.
- Youth clubs, classes relevant to youngsters i.e. karate, street dancing. Cooking classes prior to uni. Cool but fun!
- Youth clubs, music clubs, drama classes, counselling services. Sports activities.

Q37a: If difficult to find out about the Council, why?

- Adequate information has to be sought.

- Because I think it is.
- Difficult to get to council offices & not very good with computer yet.
- Distance of district council.
- Do not have internet or telephone so rely on newspapers & notices.
- Don't know where to get info from.
- Each person has to make his/her own effort.
- Even online people are ignored & never replied to.
- For those without computers or able to get about easily (elderly?). Much info is missed.
- Haven't really tried.
- How can we receive info? Council offices are a distance away.
- I helped my parents apply for council tax benefit but they wouldn't have done it alone as the form w
- I ring council offices.
- Internet is the best way & not all the community use this.
- Local papers website.
- Never see much info on what's happening - need more.
- Never tried.
- No contact number.
- No information.
- Not always clear which section of Council is appropriate.
- Not many notice boards.
- Not party to private discussions.
- On the phone sometimes a person can be put through to one office then another before reaching the right one.
- Only way to find out must go to Furzehill.
- People don't align 'council' with places provided. More promotion & this is how to get info.
- Phone answering only sometimes.
- Poor website.
- Spin.
- Takes time on the internet.
- The new website is appalling - old one was quite good.
- Tried to log on your website to visit local maps. Would come through.
- Try to access the allotment waiting list was only possible after several phone calls.
- Website very difficult to use.

Q38a: Other?

- "Barrington" community centre.
- Be a council member.
- Contacting local elected councillor.
- Delivered to door.
- I always phone in.
- I am a member of EDDC Disability Advisory Group.
- Library.
- Local action group.
- Neighbourhood watch newsletter.
- Phoned. I find R.D.C.C. very helpful & always friendly.
- Post a bundle to me directly.
- Posted to households.
- Tourist information office.
- Where are they?
- Word of mouth.

Q39a: Other?

- All content is upbeat, telling us how good the council is. Real issues avoided.
- Allendale House.
- And in the post delivered.
- By post.
- Chemist, info centre (car park, Ringwood)
- Churches, shops.
- Clubs, pubs, shops.
- Community centre.
- Community centres.
- Deliver to door.
- Delivered.
- Doctor's - supermarket.
- Doctor's surgery.
- Doctor's waiting rooms.
- Don't visit above - from schools preferred.
- DR's
- Flyers.
- I don't think it is necessary for any more to be spent on this.
- Include with EDN.
- Local doctors & shops.
- Local pay point shops.
- Local shop.
- Local shops.
- Local supermarkets - next to "Echo" stand.
- Monthly - through door.
- N/A
- Newsagents.
- Ordinary shops.

- Parish council office.
- Post.
- Posted through my door or in local free paper.
- Shops.
- St Ives village halls.
- Supermarket.
- Supermarkets, surgeries.
- Surgeries, hospital, churches, dentists etc.
- Through my letterbox.
- Through the letter box.
- Tourist information.

Q41a: If poor why?

- As I have never seen it I can only say very poor.
- Better on tape for blind people.
- Can't really remember.
- Cannot really remember details so went on memory.
- Cannot remember last copy received.
- Days out.
- Delivery is contractor & rarely happens in Sixpenny Handley. Recommend 500 copies to parish office
- Delivery to that part of Corfe Mullen - BH18 gets Poole information - why?
- Haven't received the Wimborne Ferndown magazine.
- Having never received a copy I cannot answer this.
- How many issues are there? Only discuss matters that concern them!
- I didn't get a copy delivered.
- I didn't know there was one.
- I don't find it very interesting.
- I have never received a copy.
- I would like to see more info on how to get involved in initiating like recycling.
- In an area of predominately bungalows, why is planning being granted to cramming houses in?
- It is difficult to be 100% all the time.
- It is not written for residents just for the council to tick boxes.
- Majority not received "through the door".
- More content required.
- More detailed and a wider range of topics.
- More frequent please.
- Never seen E.D.N.
- No comments as little used only occasionally received.
- No facilities for access to website.
- Not aware of it, but will look at site.
- Not enough news about Verwood.
- Not much time for reading.
- Not received one.

- Not that good for visually impaired.
- Nothing seems to apply Ferndown except Heatherlands & youth matters.
- Often find little relevant to us.
- Only wanted to find the recycling centre we are meant to use.
- Patronising & uninteresting.
- Some of the colours used make reading more difficult.
- Sorry - can't really recall the paper to answer well.
- The information sometimes appears to be somewhat selective.
- Type of news very selective and self praise.
- Upbeat, not too detailed (trivial), but society is like that now.
- We don't seem to get it regularly.
- We never seem to get it in Alderholt - have mentioned before.
- We rarely receive the News. Home is on unmade road.
- Who delivers it and when.

Q42: If there are other areas of Council business or local news you would like included in East Dorset News please record them below?

- Ability to comment on certain individual complaint areas.
- Achievements of young people.
- Activities & events.
- Activities for OAP's & reduction in entrance fees e.g. swimming pools etc.
- Attendance record at meetings.
- can't say - don't get it!
- Crime figures for each village.
- Crime statistics as issued to home watch.
- Do not have access.
- Don't read it regularly.
- Education in recycling.
- Give "Tivoli" & "Barrington" theatres more coverage.
- How to recycle things other than paper, bottles or cardboard. I.e. waste cooked food, old shoes that can't be passed on etc. lots more help needed.
- I am very concerned about the continuous rise in council tax. We receive the special bulletin at the time of notification, but I would like more info. About how government decisions & support (or lack of it) affect council tax.
- I do not have a computer.
- I do think one newsletter once a year sufficient - perhaps included with council tax demand to save money our money!
- If not already - planning applications results.
- Incineration/refuse disposal.
- Information on planning applications.
- It is ok at the present.
- It is over complicated & difficult to navigate & there is too much info for one site.
- It would be good to add a local interest crossword to tell us where these parks and open spaces are with info. Re. dogs allowed - inclined to be

happy - how far is the walk - good or bad for families - hilly or flat etc so we can learn about such places.

- Local area planning.
- Local park & recreations/walks/activities. Scheduled holiday entertainment for adults & children.
- Local rubbish & tip vouchers.
- More easily read news for pensioners regarding their entitled pensions & savings credits. More people to give them help? Also re. council tax benefits.
- More on re-cycling.
- More on recycling.
- More on youth services.
- More strictly & news particular to an area like Wimborne. Plans how do EDDC compare to other councils.
- N/A
- News concerning Verwood affairs.
- No computer.
- None.
- Planning & development issues. Ferndown housing future thoughts, plans & designs for town improvements either in town centre or traffic. Or have a say to leisure ideas.
- Planning applications.
- Planning of housing for the future. Where, how many, and when. Complete infrastructure first. Roads, schools, doctors/dentist facilities. (There are no current adequate measures)
- Policies on planning applications not approved etc. Tree management policies, litter clearance etc. Articles about how the various council departments are run & by whom.
- Prioritised stance, e.g. council attitude to regional house building/planning policies.
- Progress of discussion/decisions on local housing plans.
- Question obscure.
- Recycling information of classes of recyclable waste - what to do with used dry batteries etc.
- Results of surveys: monitoring of environmental targets.
- Short accounts of debates & votes at district & county level.
- Street cleaning/litter picking schedules. Letters (from ratepayers) page.
- Tell us about all open spaces etc. & facilities for retired people.
- The function and cost of the 'regional office' in Bristol. Why are they there?
- We really need a E Dorset news about the same we get this form!
- We only hear the positives, never the negatives of the council's operation.
- Would like more information on planning issues.
- Would like more on planning issues.

Q43: If you have never used the website or only used it once why was this?

- A window comes up on the local libraries computer.
- Am not yet online.
- Am on pay as you go & because of cost only use my pc for email.

- Because it did not provide me with the information I required (re. allotments) in a sensible or logical fashion.
- Can't afford to.
- Can't be bothered - sorry, too busy. I just need information in front of me sometimes!
- Can't use computer.
- Cannot see - no computer.
- Depend in local paper/library/local info/gossips etc.
- Didn't know about it.
- Didn't know it existed.
- Didn't know of it. No computer.
- Didn't know what it was.
- Didn't know.
- Did not know it existed.
- Do not find the need. Make use of information in newspapers.
- Do not have a computer.
- Do not home access.
- Do not need a computer.
- Do not need to.
- Do not own a computer.
- Do not use computer for this type of information.
- Do not use internet.
- Do not use websites very often. Not aware of this one.
- Doesn't seem appropriate for over age group.
- Don't "do" websites.
- Don't have broadband.
- Don't have computer.
- Don't think about it.
- Don't use any websites.
- Don't use computer.
- Don't use the computer very often!
- Don't use web. Computer screen causes neck problems.
- Doubt it would have info that I required at that time.
- Dreadful site to navigate.
- Finding out about bus routes as rely on buses.
- Forget it was there. Had looked for childcare & didn't realize had more general info on it.
- Found info in newspaper.
- Had difficulty getting into it.
- Had difficulty navigating around it. I was looking for bin collection & recycling collection times. Couldn't find this info on the site.
- Hard to find what I wanted.
- Haven't got the web.
- Haven't got internet.
- Have a computer - not on www.
- Have no computer.
- Have no personal computer (have used library)
- Have not at present the facility to.

- Have not got facilities.
- I believe in 'visibility' - open public forums are a useful way of communicating to the community & letting the public see & hear at first hand from the people who make the decisions.
- I do not have a computer.
- I do not have the facility.
- I do not use the internet.
- I don't think about it.
- I don't want to get on the computer when I come home from work. I use them everyday so I get fed up with having to use them at home. Nice to read a paper for a change.
- I don't wish to use it.
- I find out all I need by reading & telephone.
- I have no other reason to use it yet.
- I have not had the need/desire.
- I needed specific information - telephone number
- I read the name of the website on a previous questionnaire, so thought I'd have a look at it.
- I use it because I have to, but since it was changed it is very hard to navigate. The old one was really quite good.
- I use it only to look for jobs.
- I use it when I want information.
- I use the website when I need to find out something which means I use it 20 times in one year or once in another year.
- I visit the website when I need to clarify something.
- I was looking for something specific.
- I was looking for walking groups within the area. There appears to be none. I go into Hampshire for these.
- I was not aware of it.
- Internet not available.
- Lack of technique.
- Look at local papers/library.
- My husband is a councillor - I do not stand at last election, but previously I was a council member.
- Never had the need. Always phoned to make contact.
- Never heard of it!!
- Never looked for it.
- Never need to use it.
- Never really had the need.
- Never thought about it.
- Never use websites for anything.
- No access.
- No computer or internet.
- No computer owned as yet, therefore no habit as yet to use the net.
- No computer.
- No computer. Computer illiterate.
- No computers or laptop.
- No emphasis on visiting this site.
- No interest.

- No internet access.
- No internet.
- No modem.
- No need to.
- No need.
- No reason to use it.
- No time & really not interested in information on the web. Prefer other sources.
- No time.
- No.
- None.
- Not a regular use of the internet.
- Not available.
- Not aware & do not use computers for this type of information.
- Not aware of address.
- Not aware of it.
- Not aware of service & information available from this source.
- Not computer literate.
- Not happy with p.c.
- Not interested in.
- Not interested.
- Not keen on computer. It's assumed everyone has this facility.
- Not known about.
- Not needed to use it.
- Not needed to.
- Not on a computer.
- Not on time.
- Not really aware of it & the useful info it probably has.
- Not sufficiently competent yet!!
- Not thought about using the website.
- Not used the web.
- Not very good & selective search engines only.
- Not very good on the computer.
- OAP - hate machines.
- Only have email at work.
- Only just learning & found it quite difficult.
- Only recently on line.
- Only switch on computer if I have to!
- Only use it if I am aware of something that may adversely affect me & think I can do something about.
- Only wanted to find the recycling centre we are meant to see.
- Prefer to read it in newsletters etc.
- Prefer to read printed word.
- Probably forget it's available.
- Rarely use the internet.
- Rather read info.
- Time - didn't think to use it as source of info.
- To check on the availability of allotments.

- To find out events, dates & times.
- To find out info about a specific subject.
- To find refuse collection days over Christmas holidays, but couldn't find it.
- To look up planning consents & decisions.
- Too complicated - East Dorset needs their own not included with the rest of Dorset.
- Too time consuming.
- Unaware due to not taking note of it.
- Unaware.
- Use it occasionally. Need prompting to access it for info. Telephone message when calling the council was a good reminder.
- Use the web site to find out information.
- Use website very little.
- We have had no need of it.
- Website too time consuming, prefer picking up leaflets.
- What is a website?
- When I used the computers at the library, the website always appeared before log on. Never used it or seen it otherwise.
- Will use again if I feel the need.

Q45a: If poor why?

- Aged 99 - other things to do.
- Appalling to find the information. Desperately needs improving.
- As above.
- Bias to the positives.
- Can't afford it.
- Can't comment.
- Can't remember!!
- Can't remember.
- Difficult to find names of heads of dept.
- Difficult to locate particular depts. NO response.
- Difficulty tracking a planning application.
- Division of responsibilities makes cohesion on site very difficult.
- Do not assume everyone has access to the web.
- Don't look.
- Don't visit it.
- Dreadful site to navigate.
- Ever tried getting a councillor's email address?
- I am computer literate & it took me a very long time to find planning applications for East Dorset.
- It takes too long to find what you are looking for.
- More information in local free community magazine.
- More news on local TV & evening news.
- N/A
- Navigation through the site is very complex. The results of the search facility is not very helpful.
- Navigation to their information I was looking for was cumbersome.
- No replies received in spite of promises. Council not interested.
- Not easy to find what you want to know.
- Only visited once some years ago - not very helpful. Allotments not visited at the time.
- Only younger residents have, & know how to use computers. There a lot of older people in this area w
- Planning is difficult to navigate.
- See above.
- See comment above.
- See Q44
- See Q44.
- Some pages too cramped, particularly home page.
- Specific contact details hard to find.
- The site is too complicated & difficult to navigate.
- Unable to access required information.
- Unable to answer.
- Very difficult to find information on your council which relates to subjects.
- Very difficult to get to where you need to be.
- Very hard to navigate & use it everyday & still find it hard to navigate.
- Will now try to view.

Q46: If you have any suggestions as to how we might improve the way in which we keep residents informed of the services and benefits we provide please record them below?

- A big emphasis to people to visit this site.
- A more local newsletter from town council & more regular East Dorset news.
- Ads over radio/TV etc.
- An as sheet giving up to date information on services, with phone numbers. This would have to be kept up to date on a regular basis. People don't want to have to keep newspapers. Sometimes simple, to use as a difference, is all that's needed.
- Be honest.
- Be more involved with neighbourhood watch.
- By newsletter.
- Can't comment. Maybe I have missed it because I left a lot of stuff unread.
- Councillors could knock on doors & speak to residents - don't even bother at local election times.
- Don't know.
- During recent private sale, needed local info.
- Ease of navigation is key. Improved clarity would help.
- Email (both cheap & easy)
- Email newsletter!!!
- Enough information already. Am against more post - only adds to more tax.
- Ensure regular delivery even on unmade roads.
- Ensure we get information posted through our letterbox. Get the councillors to talk to their tax payers.
- For the elderly by post.
- Get the problem of BH18 sorted. This includes the present county councillor as it did myself!
- Have a decent website that relates to each individual council & put info in local free newspapers.
- I use services and benefits.
- Include Alderholt in the distribution.
- Include information on the W.T.C. display board near Wimborne library - lots of people read this.
- Informative leaflets through doors or emails.
- Keep information short & factual.
- Leaflets in library.
- Living on the "border" of East Dorset & Bournemouth (I think) it is very hard getting things done, so having info from both areas would be helpful. Sometimes we receive no info at all!
- Local councillors could be a lot more proactive. I have lived at my home for 22 years and only receive communication at election time. I have heard of a surgery or meeting that I could attend either as a parishioner or a constituent.
- Make it easier for senior citizens to use.
- Many have not the use of computers.
- More information for pensioners regarding social services & entitlements.
- More information from Councillors not just at election time.

- More information in local free papers/magazines.
- More open to the workings of the council & reasons why things are not achieved.
- No order to make sure everyone is aware of your services; a copy of the East Dorset news should be included with the annual council tax bill.
- No suggestions.
- None.
- Not to keep information only to computer users - many have no computer.
- On odd occasions used, can never find what looking for.
- Personal contacts would be useful.
- RSS feeds & email newsletters.
- Satisfied.
- Show more savings made over the year.
- Simple list with contact details sent out annually with council tax statement.
- Some items do not come up when using the website.
- Stop thinking that everyone has a computer.
- The EDDC spends too much money & time in communicating - people expect the DC to work effectively & do not need a managing unit which is always "patting itself on the back". A good website is all that is needed.
- The main concern is controlling council tax - there appears to be too many "nice to do" things that cost money but have little benefit.
- Via email, you could get real time feedback about local issues.
- Why not try emails?

Q48: If poor why?

- CAB did nothing to help & EDDC housing continues to get our housing benefit incorrect for 2 years no
- Not for myself but for my mother in Welland Road. Still nothing much done about the drug using.
- Not kept informed of Alderholt stores re-development.
- Nothing was added to what was already known.
- Regarding new building on Monitue site at Ebblake.
- Rigid - like wood. Much pretence.
- There's no clear planning policy. One house has dormer windows, another is not allowed. Why!

Q52: Which polling station?

3 Legged Cross.
 Adjacent to Morrisons in Verwood.
 Adult learning centre - Wimborne.
 Alderholt village hall.
 Alderholt Village hall.
 Alderholt.
 All Saints - Ferndown.
 All Saints church Ringwood Road, St Ives.
 Allendale education centre.
 Allendale House, Colehill ward.

Allendale House, Wimborne.
 Allendale House.
 Allendale, Wimborne.
 Allendale.
 Allenview House.
 Amysford (Pure drop PH)
 At Anthony's church, West Moors.
 Boundary Lane (campsite)
 Braeside Rd, St Leonards.
 Braeside village hall.
 Braeside.

Brayside Road.
 British legion, Corfe Mullen.
 By post.
 Catholic church, corner of Pinehurst Rd/Woolslope Rd, West Moors.
 Catholic church, Woolslope Road.
 Church hall, Corfe Mullen or village hall.
 Church Rd, Ferndown.
 Church Ringwood Rd service road.
 Church Street, Ferndown.
 Colehill church hall.
 Colehill community centre/memorial hall.
 Colehill memorial hall.
 Colehill Memorial hall.
 Colehill school.
 Colehill St Michaels.
 Colehill.
 Corfe memorial hall.
 Corfe Mullen recreation.
 Corfe Mullen view point.
 Corfe Mullen village hall.
 Corfe Mullen.
 Cranborne village hall.
 Cranborne.
 Don't know where it is.
 Edmonsham.
 Emmanuel Middle school - The Hub.
 Emmanuel school, Verwood.
 Ferndown free church, Wimborne Rd East.
 Ferndown St Marys church hall.
 Ferndown village hall.
 Ferndown village Hall.
 Ferndown Village hall.
 Ferndown village hall/church hall.
 Ferndown.
 Guide hall, Verwood.
 Handley.
 Heatherland Centre, Ferndown.
 Heatherlands centre.
 Heatherlands Centre.
 Heatherlands Community Centre - Barns Rd.
 Heatherlands.
 Hinton Martell, Old school hall.
 Holt parish hall but have now moved to Wimborne.
 Holt parish hall.
 Holt.

Horton & Chalbury village hall.
 Horton.
 Hub.
 King Street, Allendale Centre, Wimborne.
 Kings Street.
 Last election - The Hub. Prior elections - Middle school.
 Legg Lane, Wimborne.
 Leisure centre, Verwood.
 Local school/church hall.
 Longham church.
 Longham.
 Memorial hall & leisure centre, Verwood.
 Memorial Hall Verwood.
 Memorial hall, Ferndown.
 Memorial Hall, Sturminster Marshall.
 Memorial hall, Verwood.
 Memorial hall, West Moors.
 Memorial hall.
 Memorial Hall.
 Most recently - The Hub, Verwood.
 n/a
 n/a. Postal vote but previously we used St Ives First school.
 None.
 Oakdale caravan site, St Leonards.
 Oaktree Park, St Leonards.
 Pamphill or Wimborne.
 Parley church.
 Pinehurst Road catholic street.
 Pinehurst Road.
 Post.
 Postal vote.
 Probably Allendale centre.
 Pure Drop - Ferndown.
 Pure Drop in P.H. & United Reform church, Wimborne Rd.
 Pure Drop pub & church on Wimborne Rd.
 Pure Drop, Ferndown.
 Pure Drop.
 Scout Hut Verwood.
 Scout hut, Corfe Mullen playing fields.
 Scout hut, Manor Rd, Verwood.
 Sixpenny Handley village hall.
 Sixpenny Handley.
 Springdale Rd view point.
 Springdale Rd, Corfe Mullen.
 Springdale Road car park.

Springdale Road.
 St Anthony's West Moors.
 St Ives church hall.
 St Ives church.
 St Ives, St Leonards.
 St Ives.
 St John's church.
 St John's Wimborne.
 St John's.
 St John prior to postal vote.
 St Johns (I think)
 St Johns church centre, Wimborne.
 St Johns church hall, Wimborne.
 St Johns church.
 St Johns hall.
 St Johns school, Wimborne.
 St Johns school.
 St Johns, Wimborne.
 St Leonards.
 St Marks church, New Road, West Parley.
 St Marks church, Parley.
 St Mary's church hall or Ferndown village hall.
 St Mary's church hall road, Ferndown
 St Mary's church hall, Ferndown.
 St Mary's church rooms, Ferndown.
 St Mary's church, West Parley.
 St Mary's church.
 St Mary's Rd Hall, Ferndown.
 St Marys Church, Ferndown or village hall.
 St Michaels church hall, Colehill.
 St Michaels church hall.
 St Michaels, Colehill.
 St Michaels.
 St. Anthonys RC church, Pinehurst Rd, W Moors.
 Stapehill
 Stapehill village hall.
 Sturminster Marshall memorial hall.
 Sturminster Marshall.
 The Hub.

The Pure Drop 2006.
 Three Cross village hall.
 Three Legged Cross village hall.
 Three Legged Cross.
 Top off Springdale Rd.
 Trickett Cross.
 United Reform church, Wimborne Rd, Ferndown.
 Use proxy but have voted at Emmanuel school, Verwood.
 Verwood guide hut.
 Verwood Hub.
 Verwood leisure centre.
 Verwood Memorial hall.
 Verwood Memorial Hall.
 Verwood Middle school.
 Verwood, St Stephens.
 Verwood.
 Village hall C.M.
 Village hall, Alderholt.
 Village hall, Church Rd, Ferndown.
 Village Hall, Corfe Mullen.
 Village hall, St Leonards.
 Village hall.
 West Moors - St Anthonys hall.
 West Moors Institute.
 West Moors Memorial hall if in person.
 West Moors memorial hall.
 West Moors Memorial hall.
 West Moors St Anthony's church hall.
 West Moors.
 West Parley memorial hall.
 West Parley.
 Whichever one is in use.
 Wimborne polling stations.
 Wimborne Road.
 Wimborne St Giles hall.
 Witchampton.
 Woodlands village hall prior to moving/the Hub now.
 Woodlands village hall.
 Woodlands.

Q54: What other locations for polling station venue?

- A site more central to village for older people.
- All Saints Church Hall, Ringwood Rd.
- Allenview community centre.
- Ashley.

- Certainly NOT schools.
- Church halls, hub on Verwood.
- Church hill sports hall.
- Clubs or pubs. If you have one?
- Co-op at the top of Lonnen Road - to encourage those who don't vote.
- Colehill first school.
- Colehill memorial hall - Stapehill village hall has terrible access for so many people.
- Colehill village hall.
- Don't know.
- Ferndown centre.
- Ferndown leisure centre. Easier parking for elderly residents.
- Generally I think everyone is doing a great job. East Dorset is a fantastic location and it is important that we the public support the council in
- Happy with existing arrangements.
- Hub.
- I accept that it's possible to have a venue within walking distance (although Verwood would be ok) somewhere with easier parking would be ideal. Ho
- I don't think there's anywhere else suitable in 3 x except the local school.
- In recent elections when voting at polling station we used Verwood Emanuel school which was well organised.
- Is the Chase covered well for elderly?
- Local school - West Parley 1st school.
- Local schools, library at Colehill, Memorial Hall.
- Longham church halls.
- maybe doctor's in Lake Road - the Hub.
- n/a
- Near shopping centres for convenience & ease to vote.
- Near us - like Crescent? Union.
- No opinion.
- No other suitable.
- None - very happy with venue.
- None for Ashley Heath.
- None preferable.
- None.
- Not a portable building.
- Not supermarkets or public houses, village halls, church halls, local centres.
- One to serve people living in the eastern part of Verwood.
- Pamphill Village Hall.
- Parish Hall, Holt.
- Parley school.
- Pinehurst Chapel Hall.
- Present facilities excellent.
- Presently adequate now the Hub is used.
- Previous polling station was St Ives school.
- Rugby club.
- Sainsbury's & Tesco.
- School

- Schools.
- Shopping centres & schools.
- Springdale school.
- St John's church hall, Leigh Road.
- The 'Hub'
- The Hub in Verwood.
- They are ok.
- This is the best.
- This seems fine.
- Those with car parks.
- Three Legged Cross 1st school.
- Use hub in Verwood.
- Verwood guide centre.
- Verwood Leisure Centre.
- Verwood Memorial Hall. (I don't think this it's used now as I have to go to Emmanuel school and I live in Dewlands Rd)
- Very satisfactory at present.
- Victoria Close used to be good.
- Will need new location when hall sold & new one being built on donated land with room for car park. Either Methodist hall at Mannington or Horton c
- would like to see two polling stations in Colebridge, St Michaels church hall & Colehill memorial hall.
- Youth centre, Verwood.

Q56c: Other?

- Disillusioned with all the parties at present.
- Don't know enough about local elections.
- I am totally disillusioned with antics of local council.
- I just forgot!
- Out of the country.
- Proxy - need a witness.
- So unable to vote for a particular person.

Q59: What was the most fulfilling part of your role?

- Solving people's problems & queries. 2. Urging resistance in spending other people's money.
- Am ineligible due to my employment (no other reason!!)
- As a parish councillor I enjoy the full information on district & county activities.
- Being aware of happenings in the district & sometimes being able to help others with their problems & concerns.
- Being part of the democratic process.
- County councillor - Corfe Mullen & chairman EDDC - influencing decisions.
- Getting meetings to finish at a sensible time!!
- Getting something done which electors wanted.
- Getting to know more about the local community & how it works.
- Having a say in the running of Leigh Park & Redcotts recreational facilities.

- Helping people in the community.
- I am too young.
- Listening to general public & putting forward their ideas & views.
- Mayor of Ferndown twice. 23 years on council.
- n/a
- Past member of parish council as chairman. Banned due to government legislation.
- When we & the police know people buying & using drugs. Why can't the council evict them? They don't look after their property & they are noisy. Too
- Working together with non-political councillor's to improve use of council tax money & provide facilities with politics entering into it.

Q60a: Other?

- Age is against this.
- Age now prevents this.
- Being twenty years younger!!
- Being younger.
- I'm now too old. (70)
- I am retired & for me my voluntary work and home & leisure pursuits take preference.
- I am too old.
- I have stood before (in area) but do not feel motivated to do so again.
- I lack the necessary personal qualifications.
- If councillors had more "clout" with employed officers.
- If I didn't have some commitments if I was more self confident.
- If I had the courage to stand.
- If I thought I was able to do the job.
- If I was younger.
- If I were 30 years younger!
- If I were stronger & younger.
- If local democracy was strengthened.
- If my health would allow me to take a full part in council issues.
- If the councillors were a more representative mix of the population.
- If you could be an honest broker & not have to play politics & spin.
- My age now deters me because my views might not necessarily be balanced.
- My age.
- N/A
- No intention to stand.
- No wish to become involved in politics.
- No wish to stand.
- Not a "political" animal.
- Nothing - I'm not bossy enough.
- Nothing - too old.
- Nothing now - too old!
- Nothing would encourage me to do it.
- Nothing would.
- Nothing.

- Too old - brain power not good enough.
- Too old now.
- Too old nowadays.
- Too old otherwise I might.
- Too old to make visible contribution.
- Too old to stand as a councillor.
- Too old.
- Work full-time & single mother - I can't do everything!
- Would never stand.

Q61: Any other comments?

- Dogs should be exercised on open spaces. 2. Children should have places to congregate. (in my day we had café bars & roadside cafes). 3 To stop the fly tipping & rubbish dumping all tips should be open to any vehicle up to 3.5 tonnes & any trailer for domestic rubbish. The present regs. state no vans & trailers less than 6' x 4' which won't hold a double bed mattress. All residences should have recycling targets. Suffolk & N.Yorks are 10 times better than EDCC.
- Every effort should be made to close the function of the regional in Bristol. 2. England should have it's own national government and only English MP's should vote on English legislation. 3. We should withdraw from the European union forthwith. We only voted for an EEC.
- An excellent idea but do you read agree or disagree, but in any case have no money to do more. I served for 10 years on Ringwood council & we were able to do so much more in town e.g. everyone was asked what they wanted their town to become over next 20 years. Nothing happened in Verwood. People have fought 10 years for the Hub but by the time it was built the cost had escalated, thus making it more difficult for it to pay.
- Barking dogs are as much of a nuisance as fog fouling & therefore detrimental to health.
- Car park at Moors Valley is too expensive for local people.
- Community safety: We still have teenagers in cars racing round. We still have skateboards causing havoc in private areas. We still have gangs of youths drunk. We need more police doing regular checks on trouble areas instead of the public calling the police every time there is a problem.
- Community work should not be relying on voluntary help. Anyone who is prepared for others should be rewarded & expenses re-imbrued.
- Council are powerless on critical issues, e.g. the housing situation (quangos testing us how many houses to build). Councils must stand up, rebel if necessary & fight for more power.
- Dogs should be under control but not necessarily on a bed.
- During my active time I served on too many organisations to find time for council work, & had the impression that decisions were often made on party or personal lines.
- EDYC - my own children mainly go to activities organised elsewhere - Dorset music service, archery etc. But from my point of view as school librarian, I think it would be more interesting to discuss the youth council more in schools, as part of PSHE. Our young people (middle school age) could be engaged gradually, so that they could see how a youth council fits with what they learn about rights & responsibilities, & the activities of their school council. I use the Dorset website at school as well & have found it quite clear & useful.
- Ferndown is getting crowded - road systems especially. High street losing it's usefulness as a shopping facility slightly - too many building sites, too many estate agents, beauty parlours, take-away food facilities. Generally things that the older population don't use & the young ones whiz through to take what they need & whiz away (are they locals?)
- Having been a Wimborne town councillor for four years. I am much aware of how things work (obviously!). It is more important to communicate with local

people. I think many read the free local newspaper. The "Clarence" system of getting in touch with D.C.C. is excellent, but few people seem to know of it.

- Hope there will be a bus service from West Moors to Ferndown arriving there by 9am, 9:30am, 10am & 10:30am.
- I'm pleased you continue to canvass opinions.
- I appreciate the opportunity to meet county & district councillors at parish level and, although of a different party I appreciate their dedication to their work.
- I believe residents want more say in planning development or enhancement issues relating to Ferndown centre & Victoria Road. I would like to see & hear a councillor would object to the proposed high density housing proposed at Dormy hotel site & at West Parley. In other words, "protect our environment" from further development.
- I believe the issue of control of dogs & the mess they leave to be a important issue. Additionally, Wimborne Minster used to have an individual to clean the streets. He took pride & the streets were always clean. The mechanical machine now used is noisy, inefficient, pollutes & is not up to the job. Cigarette ends are also becoming a major problem as in disposal of chewing gum.
- I feel strongly that there should be more affordable housing in the Wimborne area, & permission given for the building of houses as long as a significant percentage are of the style & amount that young people (early earners) can afford.
- I have always felt very strongly about car park charges at MVCP. They are too high & deter me from going.
- I have tried at various times to raise the issues of parking outside key industries, Ebblake i.e... Along Blackmoor Rd & around corner. Also beside hatched areas, which forces traffic onto wrong side of road, unsighted. A serious accident is imminent. Double yellow lines needed. Rubbish in Ebblake T.E. needs regular collection, including the fringes dumped in the brook. The footpath/pedestrian way in Ebblake T.E. is AGAIN very overgrown & needs attention. Some footpaths in P.M. estate are grassed over with shrubs etc. These are impassable for disabled & pushchairs & need to be tarmaced. Many drivers take wrong route around mini-roundabout in P.M. estate. Arrows?? Garden maintenance in P.M. estate is poor, sub-contractors NOT fulfilling their contract.
- I know that I may appear to be banging on about the place names of Q25, but it might be useful to know what maps to use for reference. I should imagine that not many people have reference to ordnance survey maps which may or not be used by yourselves. I think a mention of what maps you use could be useful if you wish meaningful answers.
- I think it is important that you have feedback from the electorate on the services offered, and that this survey will prove productive.
- I think leisure should be more affordable to the disabled and low income people. More dog waste bins needed in areas where people walk their dogs.
- I think we are extremely fortunate to live in East Dorset & hope that the council continues to flourish & support the general public.
- I would like to see better maintenance of roadside hedges & edges. For the sake of wheelchairs & pedestrians. There are places along many areas

where passing along the pavement is very difficult, even for the sighted & fit people. Home owners should be made aware and requested by the council to clear any obstruction along the pavement. Car sales at hilltop, Stapehill being a typical example. Cars on pavements, both sides of the road in St James Road. Also, a clear view to exit this road is often blocked.

- Information is there if people take the trouble to look.
- I think the website name "Dorset for you.com" is rather trendy & silly. What was wrong with a (meaningful) name like "eastdorset.gov.uk" which adheres to a naming standard & exactly shows what it's for? Please use a spell checker on the form. Be careful about over-promoting small, quiet, open spaces or they may be spoilt by too many visitors.
- It is sometimes impossible to use a postal vote. The voting forms are released so close to the election that there is insufficient time to receive and post the form. Prices for lifting large items of refuse (e.g... Garden furniture) are too high. This encourages fly dumping. The library is not adequate for a town the size of Verwood - Verwood is no longer a village. MVCP appears to be aimed at visiting holidaymakers rather than local residents. I do not like to see the council wasting money through inefficiency e.g. sending out this form twice! Apart from the colour I noticed no difference. Be advised that Q47 that the noun should be used. Q18 - The nearest the X36 bus gets to MVCP is 3 Legged Cross. MVCP is not on the bus route in my opinion.
- It saddens me that this survey is necessary because what we have in this area (both naturally & via the council) should be more than sufficient for us all and if everyone was more caring & responsible for themselves & for others, extra provisions & money could be devoted for the needy few.
- It would be a lovely idea if Moors Valley gave discount to local residents on yearly parking ticket - say give 13 months for local residents & 12 months for people living outside area.
- It would be helpful if some paths in the countryside were not rutted so deeply & the undergrowth cut back more frequently. Some stiles are in need of repair. Without a car it is not possible to reach the railway station for earlier trains - not to go home after 5.30pm unless waiting for a taxi. No public transport to the Tollard Royal countryside - not to Shaftsbury.
- It would be helpful if the electoral role compilers could in some instances use council tax details. I have been on electoral role 9 to 10 years - completing all forms which electoral role compilers had. Yet suddenly for no apparent reason they had my apartment void in May 2007.
- Like to see all plastic recycled please.
- Living in this part of the country we are lucky to have an abundance of open spaces. Listing them, as in this questionnaire can be misleading as it could be construed that one is interested to a large degree. This is not the case, but I am unlikely to regularly visit those listed in other parts of the district, but that doesn't mean they should be neglected as they have a function for the particular areas they serve.
- Local council is not interested in council tax payer. Things do not get attended to even if things are pointed out to them. They make no effort to stand up for more money from central government & do not seem bothered. We are lowest funded in the country. Council tax rates go up every year at alarming rate & services get worse. EDDC is only interested in council estates & youth matters. OAP's are just a nuisance.

- Many resident, & especially pensioners, are stretched to the limit on living costs & can't afford to pay increased council taxes.
- many topics do not affect me personally e.g. not visited WMCP since grandchildren were small. They are now at university. Wife & I unable to walk too far, therefore car parks are essential.
- More council run youth clubs in village halls.
- More imagination in the use of shrubbery, flower decorations. Making new roundabouts more visually attractive. More notice taken of general public in road planning.
- My wife & I are both in our late seventies. We are both physically active & both drive. We take an average interest in the community & government of it through our town council.
- N/A
- Nice people to live & the council does very well.
- No, but we live in a pocket of East Dorset (Ashley). We are cut off by the A31 & do not feel so much part of the community - more so Ringwood. The parish boundary needs to be re-drawn to make us Ringwood we suggest. Although we think East Dorset is well run!
- None.
- Not sure how large an area is "the area in which you live". Standards vary considerably from one road to another. Young people - impossible to answer this if no children around in the family - no box to indicate this.
- Only yesterday a neighbour told me of a lady living alone & being bothered by youths climbing over her gate & entering her garden at night. Feeling very afraid they were going to try to break into her home she phoned the police. The police response was "we are very busy".
- Please amend my address to: 5 Oakland Walk, West Parley, Ferndown BH22 8PF.
- Q2. Please may there be a bin for dog waste in Churchmoor Rd entrance to Bytheway field.
- Q25 My previous employment prevented me from choosing to visit many of the places named, & I was unaware so many open spaces existed. I have never seen such a list before (or don't remember seeing such a list). Q6 Householders should cut back hedges overhanging pavements & preferably sweep their own pavement. When roads are too be swept householders notified so area (one side) maybe left car free to ensure effective sweeping. I live in what has been called Wimborne's "railway town" & consider the roads/pavements dirty & gardens overgrowing the public footpath. In Grove Rd one vehicle has been "parked" for over one year & so a small garden is growing in the gutter between vehicle & pavement.
- Re. dog fouling - how are the fines enforced? Open areas are well maintained. Re. Q25 - I looked on the council website, and these areas are listed, but it doesn't say where they are!
- Re. safety. My wife & I are elderly (early 70's but still physically able. However, we are "stay at homers". Therefore our comments are based on observations made within a rather small, limited area. Accordingly, we are not (as yet) troubled by many of those factors that blight the wider parish in noticeable trouble spots. We are probably typical & possibly not very helpful. For instance, we do not walk about at night, so we cannot comment about such problems as may be applicable elsewhere, such as in the township of

Wimborne. With due apology. Re. MVCP. We used to be regular visitors, but the high parking charges are now a deterrent. Our answers are therefore historic i.e. based on when we used to go there until about two years ago.

- Reduce or eliminate parking charges at WCMP. Brook Road refuse centre MUST be made more user friendly for older folk. Enforce speed limits on Cranborne/Wimborne Road entry into Wimborne by better signage or co-operation with police.
- Road signs. Keeping them visible to the public by cutting back vegetation - safety!
- St Ives is an area with many pine trees which at this time of the year create a lot of pine needles in the roads, which block the drains & are slippery when wet. Better more frequent road sweeping required especially in the close.
- Thank you for the opportunity to show I care about conditions of housing, way of life to all who live, work or go to school in Wimborne.
- The bus service in the part of Corfe Mullen (east) is almost extinct. One bus to Wimborne at 9:05 return at 12:00 weekday. We have to walk 1/3 of mile to nearest stop at Lockenys school. Unless we use the 9:05 & walk back to go into Wimborne we have to change at Broadstone. I have written numerous letters to bus company. Spoke to councillors at parish & county and have had considerable letters from parliamentary representative with no avail. In fact one service from Lockyers school has now been discontinued & we are virtually cut off unless we use a car. So this survey is almost useless to us.
- The placing of council & parish notices in the community is poor. Tatty notice boards in unsuitable locations. The location should be prime where everybody goes e.g. by a supermarket. There should be a bay or alcove not a notice board exposed to the weather. Each of the activities financially supported by the council should have opportunities to display their activities e.g. E.D.H.T. & Q.E. Each town/parish should have such a location. We have a high quotient of active people in the community & they deserve a higher participation of passive members.
- This questionnaire does not address the following with regard to Ferndown.
 1. Traffic speed in Albert Rd. Cars have been seen to travel in excess of 50mph.
 2. No traffic wardens. People with disabled badges, parking on pavement in Victoria Road.
 3. Street cleaning in area of Albert Rd/St Mary's Close very limited.
- To get usage of MVCP up and to get more people into Open Spaces, target fathers specifically. These areas are ideal for dads to take children for walks - would help the health of the adult too! Target PTA's, young wives groups, single parent support groups etc. To raise awareness of open spaces; encourage walking groups to include them on their walks. Continue to develop idea of guided walks to include Open Spaces other than MVCP.
- Verwood has grown dramatically over the years but little has been done for the youth/leisure. Roads have been added/redirected against the will of the majority. We feel we have no power in decisions made in Dorchester in connection with the closure of the crossroads junction. i.e. no entry to Manor Rd & Edmondston Rd & Ringwood Rd. We would welcome a questionnaire about the expansion of houses.

- We would all like to see more real police and traffic wardens everywhere.
- We would like more support in how to claim a council tax rebate as the forms are so complicated and personal that we gave up.
- I get more information from Poole than East Dorset.
- What a waste sending two surveys, we had completed the white one & apart from colour difference on the two.
- Worthwhile exercise.
- Young people. Sort out the sports facility in the Ferndown area. EDDC spent a lot of money on QES, however, Ferndown?? It should be pulled down & a sports centre like the Littledown put in it's place. Then the younger/middle people would have a very good sports centre. The older persons seem to like Ferndown. Well, what about the rest of us. Also, we need better public transport. Suggest EDDC puts our money where it's mouth is!

6.4: Questionnaire