



CUMNOR PARISH BIG SURVEY  
THE RESULTS ARE IN....

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Cumnor Parish Big Survey is an integral part of the development of the Cumnor Neighbourhood Plan – our shared vision for where we live and work. The answers you have provided will help us develop the next phase of the neighborhood plan and inform policy, a process we will embark on this summer, using your very valuable insights.

1003 households filled in the survey – a remarkable 36% completion rate. We are grateful to all of you who took the time and trouble to fill it in. Many of you also took the opportunity to include comments on everything from housing, green spaces and cycle paths, through to dog fouling, speeding and the state of our infrastructure.

This report aims to faithfully analyse and report your views. It is not written from either a NIMBY or pro-development viewpoint. Rather it aims to report neutrally and factually what a very large number of you have told us.

So, what are the headlines?

- Cumnor’s Neighbourhood Plan top priority is protecting and enhancing our green spaces.
- Our second priority is developing policies to ensure that our infrastructure grows in line with population growth. Maintaining and enhancing the character of our area is third.
- 94% of all respondents said that Cumnor’s green spaces are important to them, while 89% believe the retention of the green belt is important.
- 75% are satisfied with the parish’s green spaces: Farmoor reservoir is the most used, with 51% using this popular amenity. The Hurst and Wytham Woods are both used by 40% of respondents.
- When asked about the new housing needs of household members over a 10-year time frame 59% chose a house, 15% a flat, and 10% a bungalow. Just 4% chose either sheltered accommodation or a care home.
- When asked about the number of bedrooms needed in this new housing the overwhelming majority wanted three or less, with 26% requiring four or more bedrooms.
- 13% of respondents have adult children who would like to live in their own property in Cumnor but currently don’t.
- 24% of respondents expressed an interest in downsizing in the foreseeable future. Of those considering it at some point, 26% indicated a preference for a 2-bed house and 23% for a 1 to 2 bed bungalow.
- 34% of all respondents said they would definitely use a cycle path along the B4044 from Farmoor to Botley, this figure rising to 59% for respondents in Farmoor.
- Nearly half of all respondents were concerned about air quality, while over half were similarly concerned about traffic noise. 32% of respondents said they were concerned about aircraft noise and 39% with groundwater flooding. In all cases there were significant variations in levels of concern across the parish.
- 72% of respondents would register with a new GP practice in the parish.
- Pubs proved to be the most used amenity, over half using them at least every couple of months. Nearly half use the churches at some point in the year.
- 72% use the Parish halls and community centres.
- 68% use our public footpaths at least monthly.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

*“Neighbourhood planning gives communities direct power to develop a shared vision for their neighbourhood and shape the development and growth of their local area.”<sup>1</sup>*

In 2016 Cumnor Parish Council submitted a proposal for a neighbourhood plan area<sup>2</sup> to the Vale of White Horse District Council<sup>3</sup>. The plan area was formally designated in 2017, with the Parish Council beginning work on a draft of the plan. An integral part of drafting the plan has been the Cumnor Parish Big Survey – an opportunity for everyone in the parish to share their views on what makes this area a special and positive place to live and work.

Over 1000 households replied to the survey<sup>4</sup> – an incredible response rate of 36%<sup>5</sup>, far outstripping the 5-10% normally achieved by postal surveys. As well as answering questions on everything from the top three priorities for the Neighbourhood Plan to issues such as traffic noise, respondents supplied a wealth of comments on issues such as green spaces and housing<sup>6</sup>.

This report presents a detailed analysis of all the survey responses. Unless otherwise stated figures are based on weighted data<sup>7</sup> to ensure a statistically valid outcome that best represents the demographics of the parish<sup>8</sup> across all its wards<sup>9</sup>. A margin of error of  $\pm 3\%$  is assumed<sup>10</sup>.

Each numbered section of this report links to part of the survey: our top priorities, local amenities, local environment and green spaces, travel, and housing and development. Data from the ‘about you and your household’ and ‘ward’ sections are shown only where relevant. All responses and the associated data analysis are anonymised.

If you’d like to do your own analysis, take a look at the responses and read the comments, then you can find all the information on the Cumnor Neighbourhood Plan website<sup>11</sup>. A PDF version of this document<sup>12</sup> can also be found there.

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<sup>1</sup> [Neighbourhood planning](#) on GOV.UK. Accessed 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018

<sup>2</sup> [www.cumnorneighbourhoodplan.co.uk](http://www.cumnorneighbourhoodplan.co.uk) see [Consultation Notice](#)

<sup>3</sup> [Cumnor Neighbourhood Plan](#) on [Vale of White Horse DC Neighbourhood Plans](#) website

<sup>4</sup> Cumnor Parish Big Survey Methodological Statement April 2018. 1000 responses received by extended deadline were analysed – see Appendix 3

<sup>5</sup> 1003 returns from 2764 surveys distributed. Survey carried out in January and February 2018

<sup>6</sup> [The Cumnor Parish Big Survey 2018 – verbatim comments](#)

<sup>7</sup> See, for example, ‘[What is weighting?](#)’ published by the UK Data Service

<sup>8</sup> Weighting was applied to age and gender data using the [Rural community profile for Cumnor \(Parish\)](#), © ACRE, OCSI 2013, Oxfordshire Rural Community Council

<sup>9</sup> See Appendix 1 Map of Cumnor Parish showing wards and Appendix 2 Cumnor Parish Wards by street

<sup>10</sup> See, for example, ‘[Understanding margin of error](#)’ published by YouGov

<sup>11</sup> [The Cumnor Parish Big Survey – the survey data](#)

<sup>12</sup> [The Cumnor Parish Big Survey – The Results Are In](#)

## 2. OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN TOP PRIORITIES

32% of respondents said that ‘protecting and enhancing local green spaces’ was their top priority for the Cumnor Neighbourhood Plan, with 62% of respondents placing the green spaces option in their top 3 priorities<sup>13</sup>.

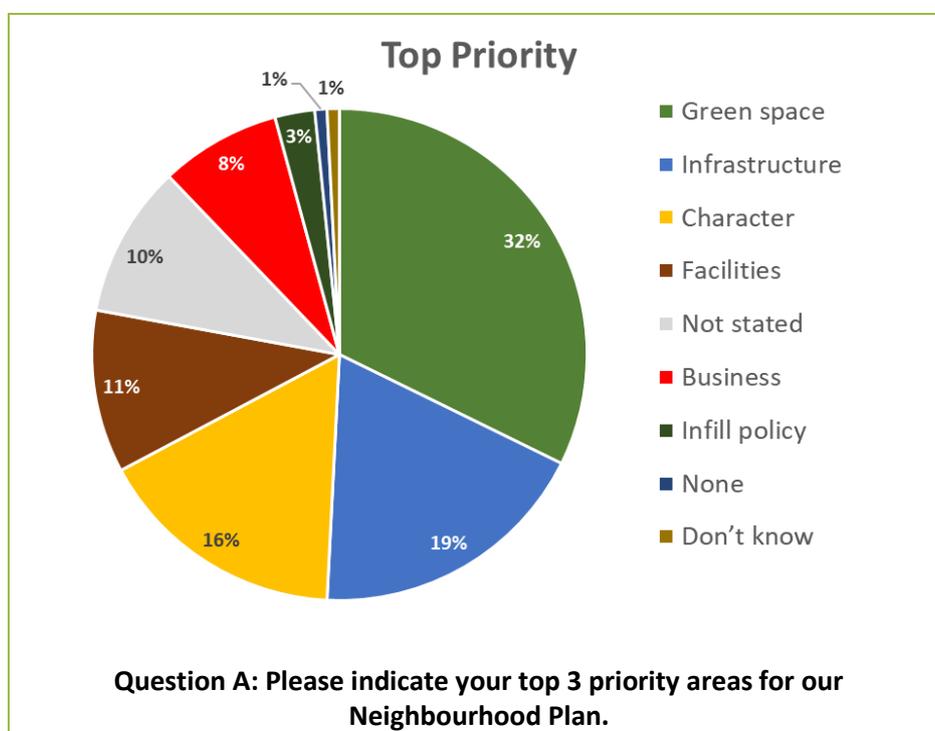


Figure 1 Neighbourhood Plan Top Priority

‘Developing policies to ensure that infrastructure grows in line with population growth’ was the second highest priority at 19%, with ‘maintaining and enhancing the character of our areas’ in third place at 16% (see Figure 1 above)

Although ‘green spaces’ was consistently the top priority across all the wards in the parish, there was some variation in 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place (see Table 1 below) showing, for example, the importance for Dean Court respondents of ‘positively supporting community facilities’.

Priority rank order	Cumnor Parish	Farmoor	Dean Court	Cumnor Hill	Cumnor Village
1st	Green space				
2nd	Infrastructure	Infrastructure	Infrastructure	Infrastructure	Character
3rd	Character	Not stated	Facilities	Character	Infrastructure
4th	Facilities	Facilities	Not stated	Not stated	Not stated

Table 1 Cumnor Neighbourhood Plan Priority Rank Order by ward

<sup>13</sup> Question A in the survey

In the context of Cumnor’s Neighbourhood Plan, the key role of green spaces was further emphasised with 94% of respondents saying they are important<sup>14</sup>, with a satisfaction score of 75%<sup>15</sup> (for more detail see section 6 on page 18).

Given its salience in current debates on housing policy, and survey respondents strength of feeling on Cumnor’s green spaces, it’s not surprising that 89% believed that the retention of Cumnor’s green belt was either ‘very important’ or ‘fairly important’<sup>16</sup>.

The survey elicited many interesting comments (684 in total<sup>6</sup>) – including more than 360 on our green spaces<sup>17</sup>.

Comments on the role green spaces play in the well-being of the community (n=32<sup>18</sup>)

*They provide a feeling of wellbeing and freedom. They contribute to the good physical health of the neighbourhood and provide educational opportunities for the young people*

*Safe play areas for children and youth are important too especially as gardens get smaller.*

*There are fantastic green spaces within the Parish, very educational for the children, and they make it a great place to live*

*Any new developments must include 'Breathing Space' in terms of green areas.*

*Essential for children's wellbeing and development*

The survey’s 2<sup>nd</sup> priority – the need for infrastructure - also generated comments.

Comments on the need for infrastructure to grow (n=33)

*For any houses being built the biggest concern would be; the increase in traffic, availability of school places, Doctor surgeries being over-subscribed. The infrastructure needs to be in place*

*A lot of new housing has been built recently without improving the infrastructure, the roads are in a bad way, there is no supermarket or petrol station, and I wasn't able to get my child into the local school. I think these things need to be addressed if we are to continue building at such a rate.*

*Already getting to crowded and inadequate sub structure - schools, drainage etc.*

*If more housing goes ahead the other infrastructures such as adequate schools, doctors' surgeries, and other important amenities as well as road access needs to be taken into consideration before it takes place.*

<sup>14</sup> Question 8 in the survey: 94% = 63% ‘very important’ + 31% ‘fairly important’

<sup>15</sup> Question 7 in the survey: 75% = 26% ‘very satisfied’ + 49% ‘fairly satisfied’

<sup>16</sup> Question 11 in the survey: 89% = 63% ‘very important’ + 26% ‘fairly important’

<sup>17</sup> [Cumnor Parish Big Survey – selected verbatim comments grouped by theme](#)

<sup>18</sup> This is the number of comments received on this topic

The 3<sup>rd</sup> priority for the parish as a whole was ‘maintaining and enhancing the character of our areas’, which, again, prompted comments.

Comments on the need maintain and enhance the character of our areas (n=12)

*For Cumnor to retain its character, development should be carefully balanced. There is little affordable housing in the area.*

*We have lots of new builds. Personally, I think that will be enough after completion or we will lose nature spots for housing.*

*Stop allowing building in large family homes/garden. Destroying character of area.*

*Significant loss of character to the parish resulting from the loss of architecturally distinctive buildings. We would not support any such further development.*

### 3. HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT

The survey addressed current and future housing needs through a number of related questions. Buying shared ownership property, selling to live in later life accommodation, downsizing, and new housing needs over a 10-year time horizon were among the issues addressed.

When asked to consider what housing options household members would be interested in over a 5-year time frame, 37% of respondents opted for one or more option, with 10% selecting 'living in affordable housing'<sup>19</sup>. However, as Figure 2 (below) shows, 62% of respondents were not interested in any of the seven options indicated.

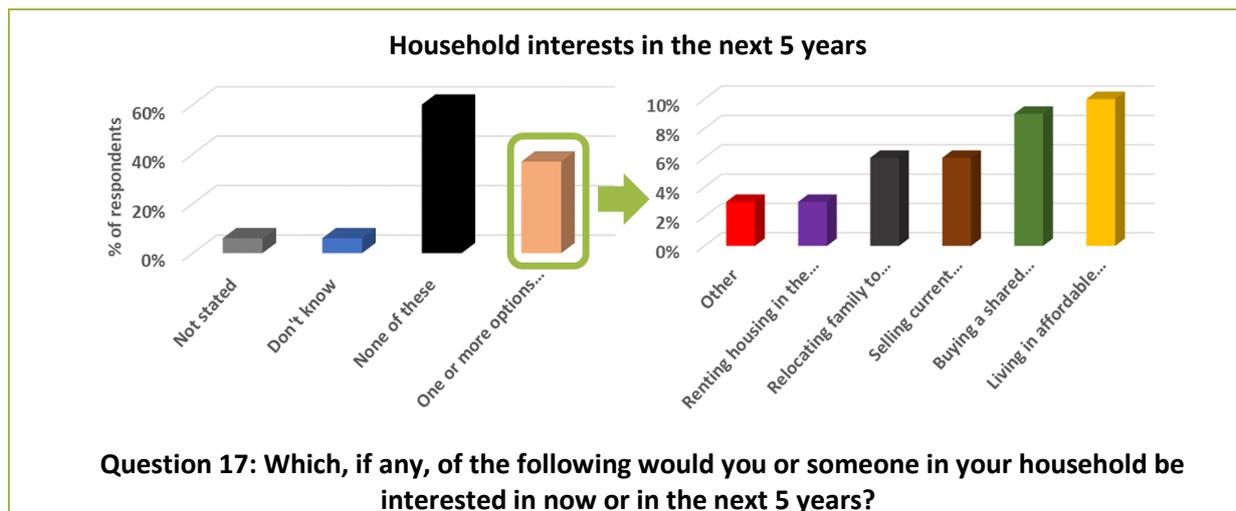


Figure 2 Household interests in the next 5 years

When asked about the new housing needs of household members over a 10-year time frame<sup>20</sup>, although 31% did not anticipate moving within the decade, of those that did, 59% chose a house<sup>21</sup>, 15% a flat, and 10% a bungalow. Just 4% chose either sheltered accommodation or a care home.

When asked about the number of bedrooms needed in this new housing the overwhelming majority wanted three or less, with just 26% requiring four or more bedrooms<sup>22</sup> (see Figure 3 below).

When asked about adult children wishing to own their own property in the area, only 13% of respondents said 'yes' and 46% said 'no'<sup>23</sup>.

<sup>19</sup> Question 17 in the survey: More than 1 response was allowed. 1042 responses

<sup>20</sup> Question 19 in the survey: More than 1 response was allowed. 1424 responses

<sup>21</sup> Question 19 in the survey: 59% = 26% (detached) + 20% (semi-detached) + 13% (terraced)

<sup>22</sup> Question 20 in the survey

<sup>23</sup> Question 18 in the survey

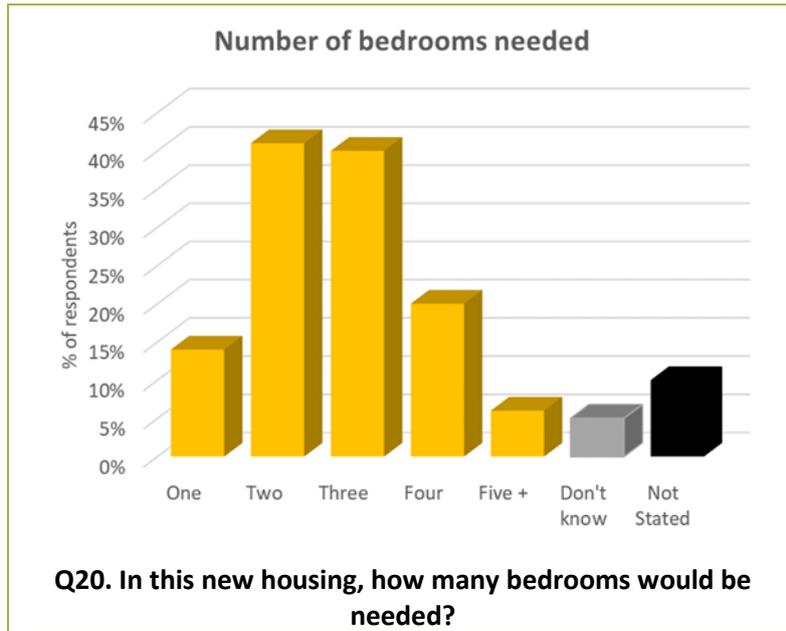


Figure 3 Number of bedrooms needed in new housing

As a further perspective on future housing needs, the survey asked about downsizing intentions. First, household considerations of downsizing were probed<sup>24</sup>, with those responding in the affirmative asked to indicate property downsizing preferences<sup>25</sup>.

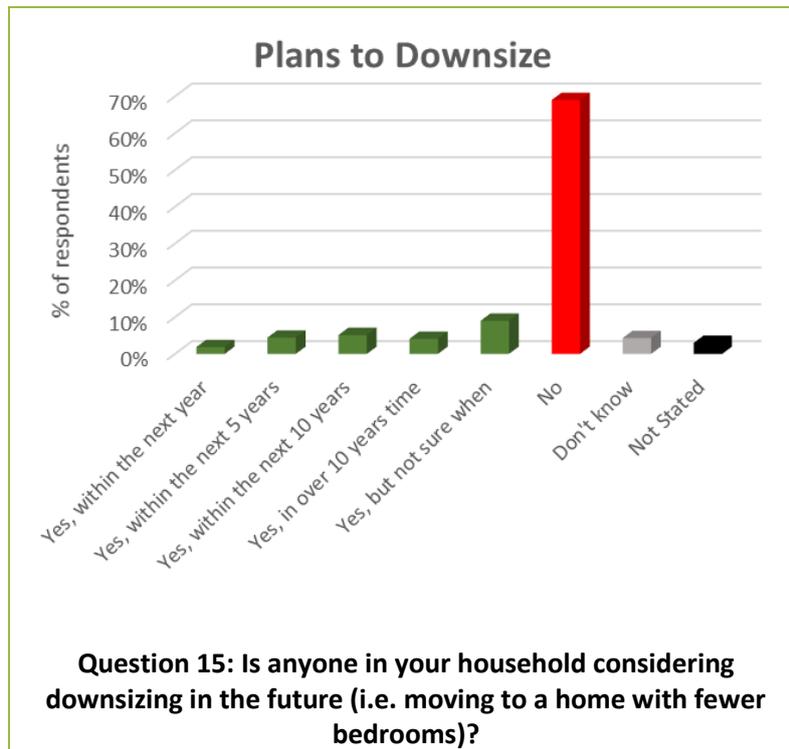


Figure 4 Downsizing Plans

<sup>24</sup> Question 15 in the survey

<sup>25</sup> Question 16 in the survey. More than 1 response was allowed. 294 responses

7 out of 10 people expressed no interest in downsizing (see Figure 4 above). Of those considering downsizing at some point, 49% of responses indicated a preference for either a 2-bed house (26%) and/or 1 to 2 bed bungalow (23%), with just 4% choosing a 1 bed apartment. 13% selected 'sheltered / retirement' housing (Figure 5 below).

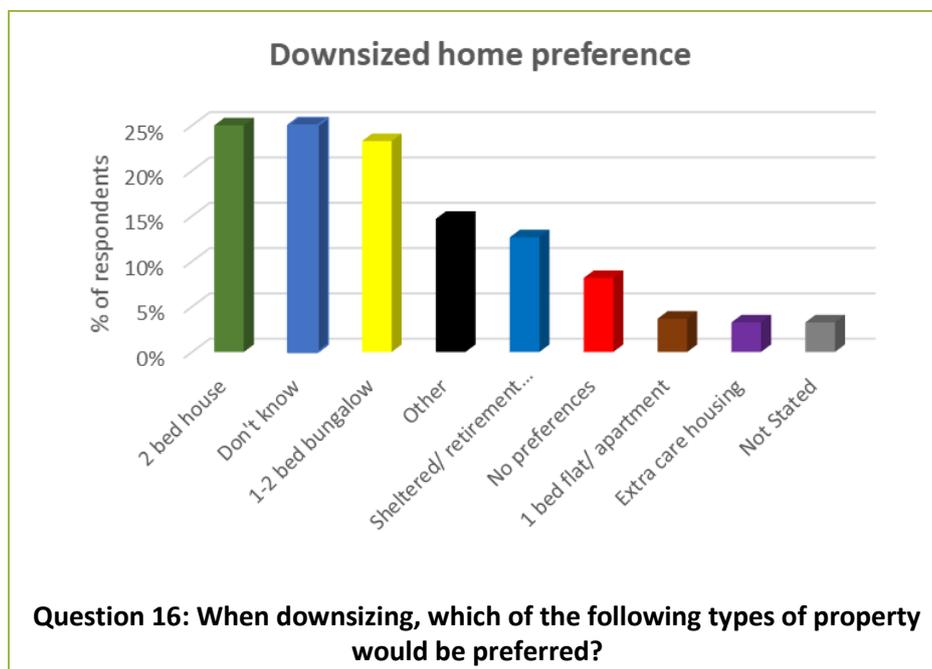


Figure 5 Downsizing Preferences

Unsurprisingly, housing generated many comments – some 320 in all<sup>6</sup> – including some linked to the strength of feeling about the priority that respondents give to Cumnor’s green spaces.

**Comments on sustainable development and Cumnor’s green spaces (n=7)**

*Protecting green spaces shouldn't be at the cost of providing much needed homes all the time.*

*The green spaces are great and plentiful but we feel there should be room for more housing and amenities.*

*Sustainable development should be considered.*

*We should not be precious about green spaces and should understand that people need houses to live in.*

The single biggest topic for comments was affordable housing, and housing for key workers.

Comments on the need for affordable housing & housing for key workers (n=112)

*We need a significant increase in genuinely affordable housing for young single people, young families and elderly people.*

*We need more affordable housing. Everything being built is luxury/executive housing at astronomical prices. Young people have no chance of living in the parish. Lose them and the parish dies.*

*Affordable, not luxury housing required. Tighter restriction, on extensions to current housing as this takes affordable housing out of the market and somewhat stagnates it.*

*There are not enough smaller affordable properties for keyworkers such as myself.*

Some 50 respondents commented on the size of properties required in the parish.

Comments on need for smaller/starter homes and bungalows (n=50)

*We will probably need some 2-bedroom houses with gardens to help young people hoping to have families (providing infrastructure can cope). We have enough flats as each time a large house comes on the market, a developer will purchase and build a block of flats!*

*Should I consider moving, I would probably look at bungalows. I think more of this type of housing is needed as people get older. This would mean more houses for families on the market.*

*Cumnor is always going to have expensive housing. We should focus all new housing on key workers and the elderly downsizing or needing affordable care. The new care homes on Cumnor Hill are ridiculously expensive.*

*More affordable housing & housing that is more suitable to independent elderly people e.g. bungalows.*

*There is a distinct shortage of well-designed 2 or 3 bed housing. That is flexible in design to accommodate from a single person to a young family. Adaptable to consider an ageing or less able person that can retain independence yet in a community.*

4. TRAVEL & TRANSPORT

The survey asked about a number of travel and transport issues, including parking, bus services, speeding, and sentiment on a proposed Farmoor/Botley cycle path. In addition, perceptions of environmental impacts such as air quality and traffic noise were addressed.

The first thing that stands out is the strong support for local bus services. 81% of respondents agreed<sup>26</sup> with the statement that ‘it is easy to catch a bus where I live’<sup>27</sup>.

This unanimity in view was not replicated, however, for questions on parking, cycling safety, speeding, and heavy lorry problems. In these cases, views were more evenly distributed (see Figures 6 – 9 below)

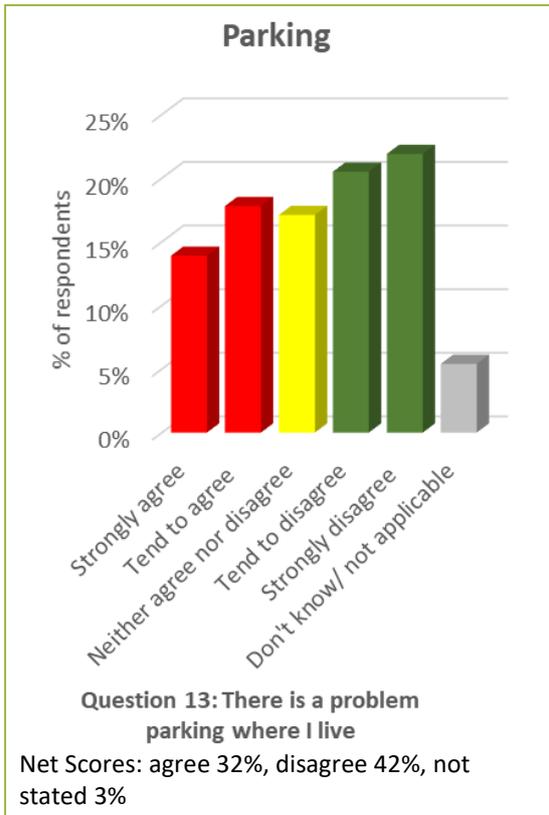


Figure 6 Parking problems

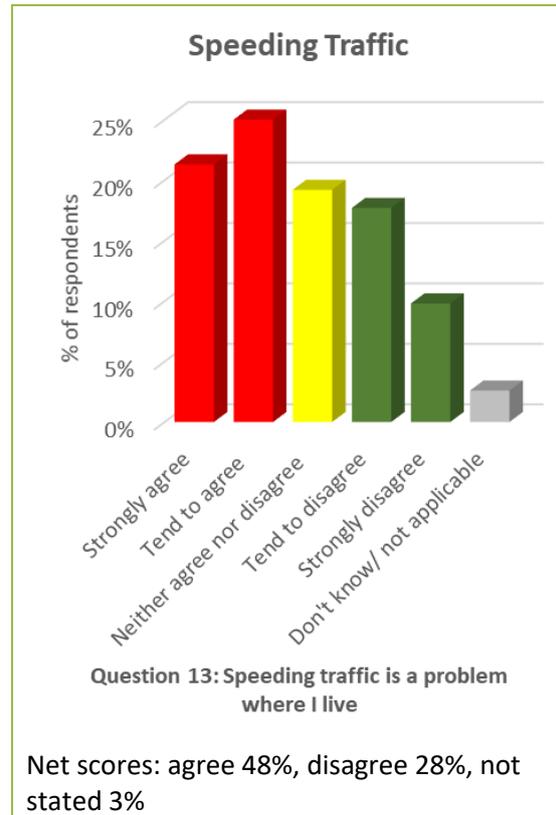


Figure 7 Speeding

<sup>26</sup> Question 13 – it is easy to catch a bus where I live: 81% = 48% ‘strongly agree’ + 33% ‘tend to agree’

<sup>27</sup> Question 13 in the survey.

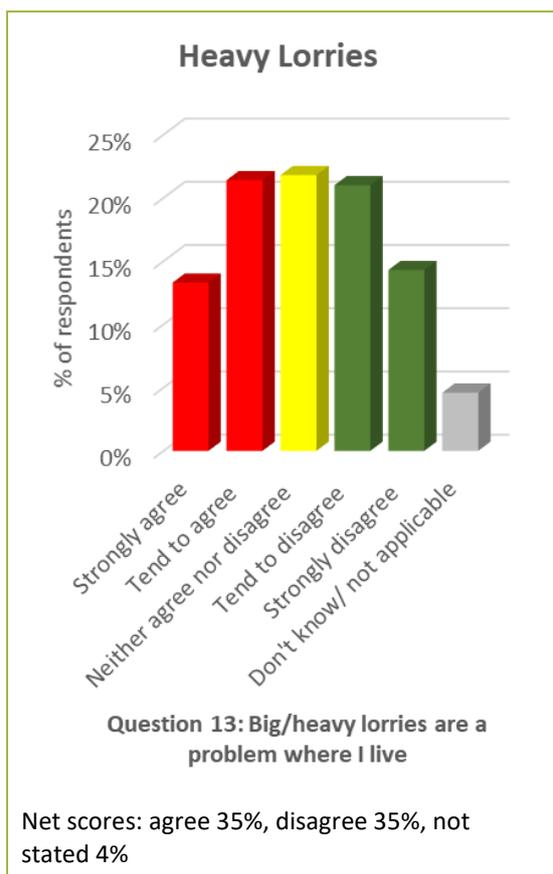


Figure 8 Heavy lorries

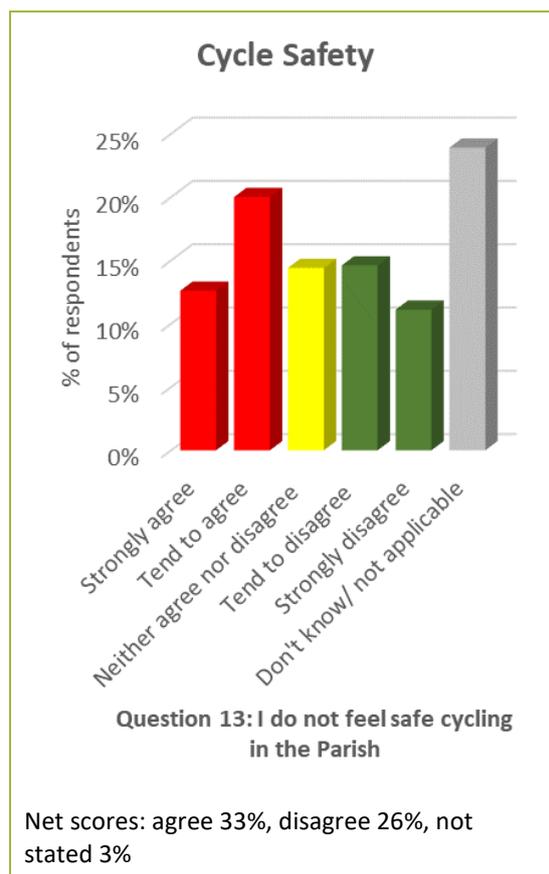


Figure 9 Cycle safety

In the four cases shown above (parking, speeding, lorries, and cycle safety), the average view<sup>28</sup> was 'neither agree nor disagree'. Only in the case of the statement 'it is easy to catch a bus where I live' was the average view 'tend to agree'.

Given the proportion of respondents who commented on cycle safety in the parish, it's not surprising that 34% of all respondents said they would definitely use a cycle path along the B4044 from Farmoor to Botley<sup>29</sup>, this figure rising to 59% for respondents in Farmoor<sup>9</sup>. Adding in the 'yes, maybe' respondents to the 'yes, definitely' raises the approval level to 52% for the whole parish and 79% for Farmoor.

Turning to the environmental impacts of travel and transport, there were clear outcomes on questions of air quality and traffic noise<sup>30</sup>, with respondents expressing significant levels of concern on both topics (see Figures 10 and 11 below).

<sup>28</sup> More exactly the arithmetic mean, calculated using a scale of 0 to 5. See reference 11

<sup>29</sup> Question 14 in the survey

<sup>30</sup> Question 12 in the survey

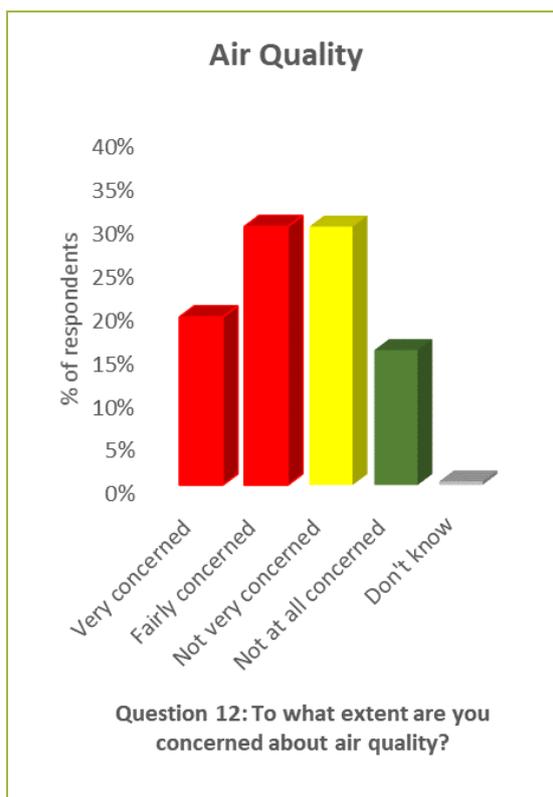


Figure 10 Air Quality

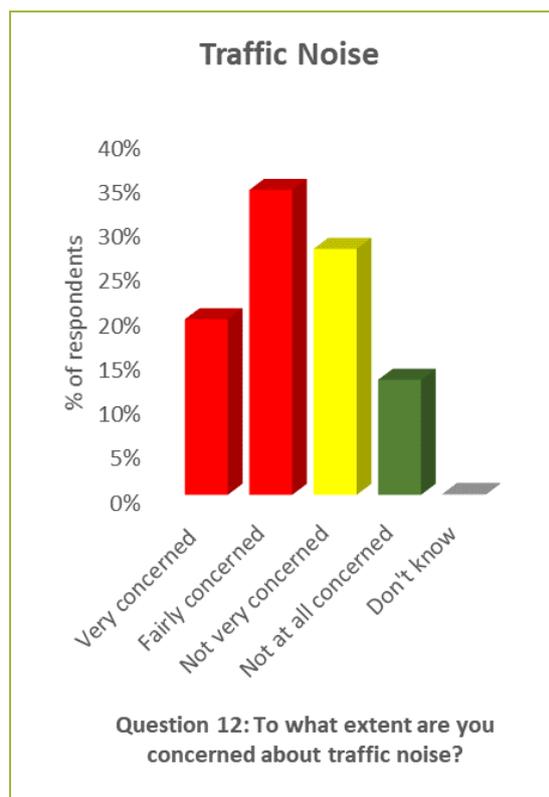


Figure 11 Traffic Noise

Nearly half of all respondents were very concerned or fairly concerned about air quality<sup>31</sup>, while over half were similarly concerned about traffic noise<sup>32</sup>. In both cases there were significant variations in levels of concern across the parish (see Tables 2 and 3 below). For example, Dean Court was more concerned than the parish as a whole about both air quality and traffic noise.

Q12 - Air Quality	% concerned
Whole Parish	49%
Dean Court	61%
Cumnor Village	38%

Table 2 Question 12 - air quality

Q12 – Traffic Noise	% concerned
Whole Parish	54%
Dean Court	57%
Farmoor	43%

Table 3 Question 12 - traffic noise

Comments on travel and transport included concerns about parking, pedestrian safety, speed limits, and cycle paths.

<sup>31</sup> Q12 – air quality: 49% = 19% ‘very concerned’ + 30% ‘fairly concerned’, not stated 5%

<sup>32</sup> Q12 – traffic noise: 54% = 20% ‘very concerned’ + 34% ‘fairly concerned’, not stated 5%

Comments on travel and transport (n=20)

*Cumnor itself is safe-ish. but Cumnor Hill is riddled with potholes and fast-moving traffic, and construction traffic. very dangerous. Speeding is a real problem in Cumnor*

*Insufficient car parking available so a lot of green areas are churned up by cars using them to park.*

*There is no footpath to safely allow me to walk my children from Cumnor Hill to Cumnor Primary and Pre-School. The speed of traffic on Cumnor Hill is terrifying and the only reason we might move is worry about their safety, people use it as a "Rat Run"@ 40 MPH not a residential street!*

*Cycle paths are essential!*

## 5. LOCAL AMENITIES

The survey demonstrated that the parish’s existing amenities are varied, valued and well used<sup>33</sup>.

Our pubs, halls and community centres and churches are well frequented, as is Farmoor reservoir (see Figure 12 below). The parish seems to have embraced the 21<sup>st</sup> century retail paradigm of ‘bricks and clicks’, with our shops and other retail premises being frequently used<sup>34</sup> and a high level of satisfaction (69%) with broadband provision<sup>35</sup>. Broadband satisfaction peaked at 80% in Dean Court but was at its lowest (54%) amongst those in the parish aged over 75.

Looking to the future, 72% of respondents would register with a new GP practice in the parish<sup>36</sup>, this figure rising to 84% in Cumnor Village, and to 87% for those in the parish aged 16-34.

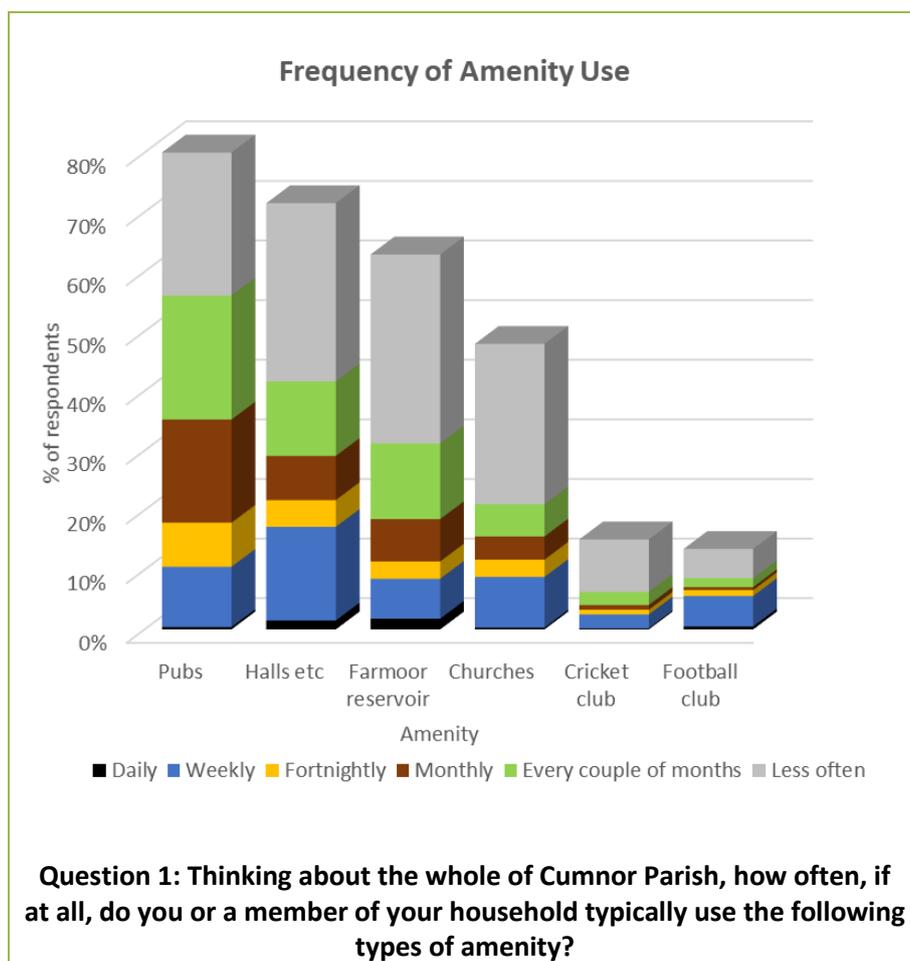


Figure 12 Amenity use

<sup>33</sup> Question 1 in the survey

<sup>34</sup> Question 3 in the survey

<sup>35</sup> Question 5 in the survey

<sup>36</sup> Question 4 in the survey

Pubs proved to be the most popular amenity, over half of all respondents (55%) using them at least every couple of months. 48% of respondents use the churches, with 9% reporting they attend weekly.

With the lower use of the cricket and football clubs reflecting the episodic, seasonal nature of these sports, it’s perhaps surprising to see the scale of usage of Farmoor reservoir (32% using it at least every couple of months) – a valuable amenity and green space for the Parish (see Section 6 below).

Nearly three quarters (72%) of all respondents report that they use the Parish halls and community centres, with more than a quarter (29%) using them at least monthly. Halls and community centres are most commonly used for social gatherings and meetings, closely followed by parties and clubs<sup>37</sup> (see Figure 13 below).

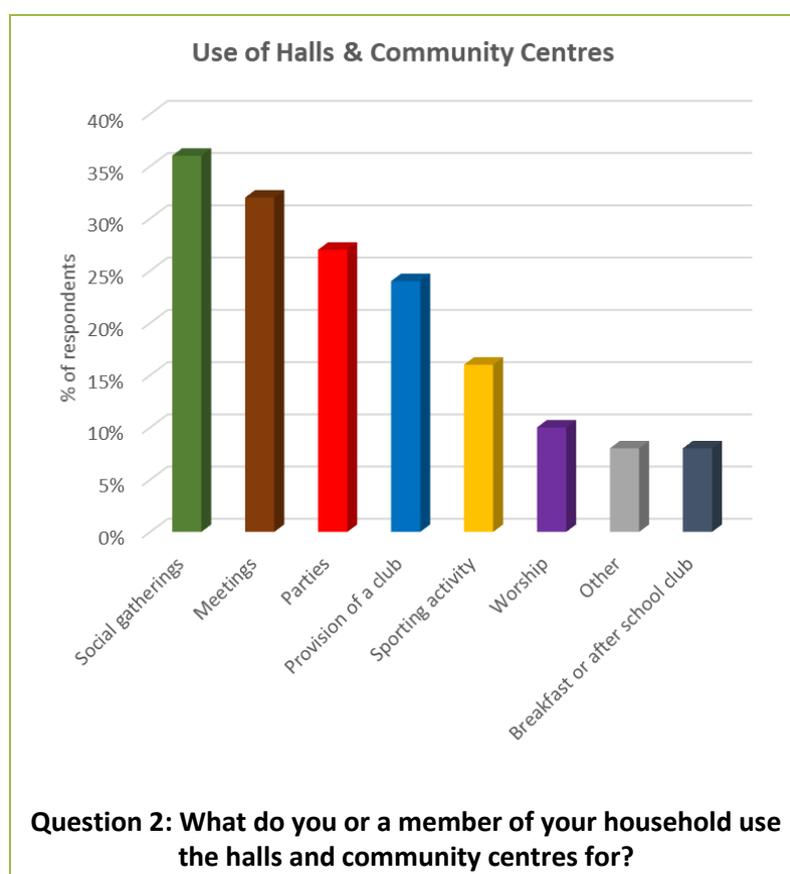


Figure 13 Hall & Community Centre usage

Retail provision is well supported with 7 out of 10 of respondents using a newsagent, post office and general store at least every couple of months (see Figure 14 below)<sup>38</sup>.

<sup>37</sup> Question 2 in the survey

<sup>38</sup> Note that Question 3 on retail usage did not explicitly ask about use in the parish, although this was inferred. Hence some responses may reflect retail use outside the parish.

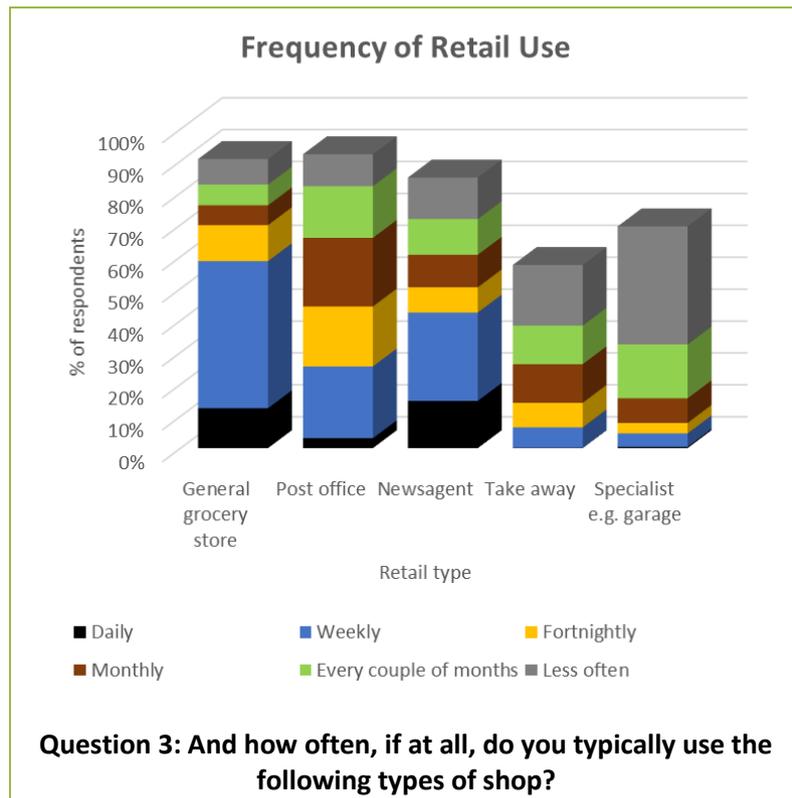


Figure 14 Retail usage

## 6. GREEN SPACES, FOOTPATHS & ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

This section analyses the answers to a range of questions in the survey covering the interlinked issues of green spaces, footpaths and the environmental impacts of urban life on the parish.

### Green Spaces

Cumnor Parish is defined by its green spaces. The survey shows they are the parish’s top priority, generating high levels of usage and satisfaction, and commanding commensurate levels of importance for parishioners.

The rich variety of green spaces used in the parish are evident<sup>39</sup>, (see Figure 15 below) ranging from play areas, through woods and a nature reserve, to Farmoor reservoir and the village pond. Farmoor is the most visited green space, followed closely by The Hurst and Wytham Woods.

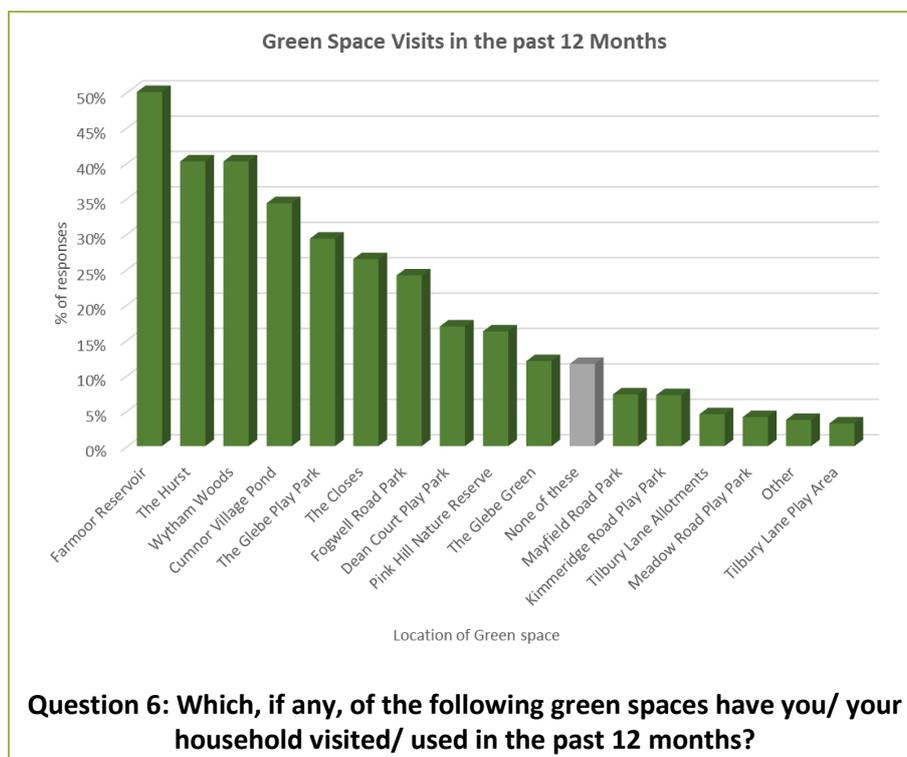


Figure 15 Visits to Green Spaces

While naturally often favouring green spaces close to home, some respondents in every ward use every green space in the parish, with only one exception<sup>40</sup>.

<sup>39</sup> Question 6 in the survey

<sup>40</sup> No respondent in Farmoor reported using the Dean Court Play Park.

Unsurprisingly, satisfaction levels<sup>41</sup> are very high, 75% reporting they are either ‘very satisfied’ or ‘fairly satisfied’ with the green spaces (see Figure 16 below). This figure drops to 66% for Dean Court and rises to 87% for Cumnor Village.

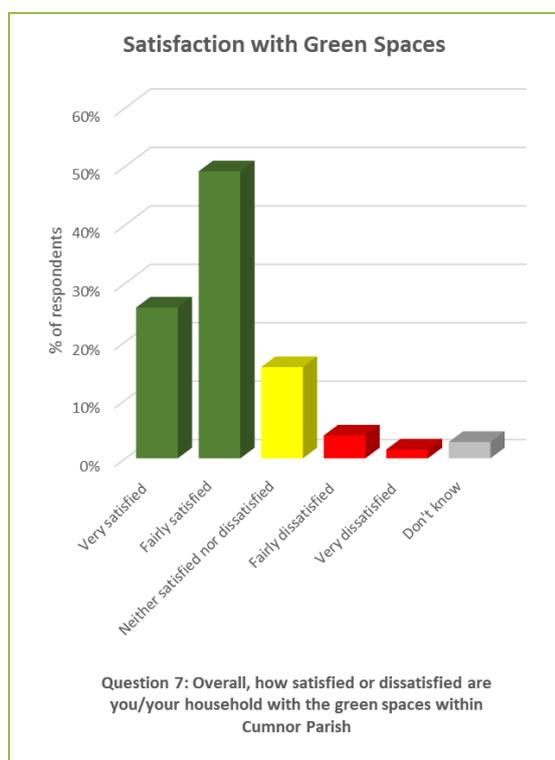


Figure 16 Satisfaction with Green Spaces

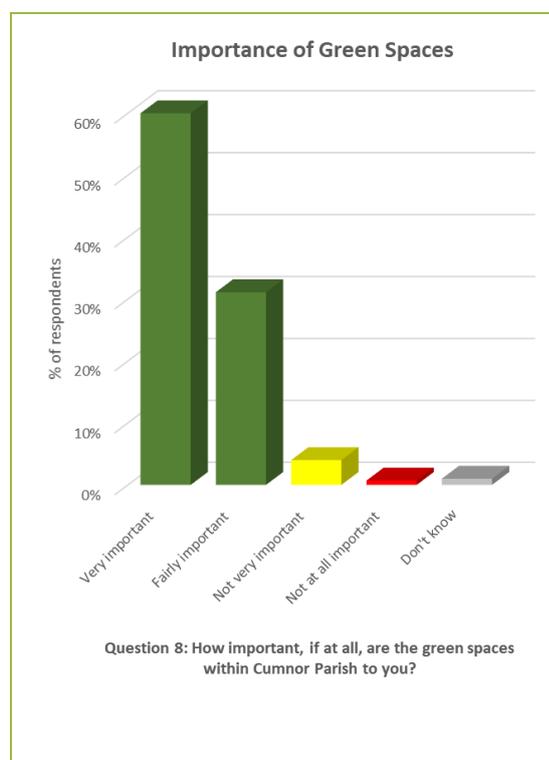


Figure 17 Importance of Green Spaces

94% of all respondents said that Cumnor’s green spaces are important to them<sup>42</sup> (see Figure 17 above), this figure never dipping below 88%, regardless of gender, age, dwelling type or location in the parish.

## Footpaths

The survey showed that the parish’s 56 public footpaths are well travelled<sup>43</sup>, 68% of respondents using them at least monthly, and 53% at least weekly. Echoing the survey results for green space usage, just 5% said they never use the footpaths and only 1% did not state an opinion.

<sup>41</sup> Question 7 in the survey

<sup>42</sup> Question 8 in the survey: 94% = 63% ‘very important’ + 31% ‘fairly important’

<sup>43</sup> Question 9 in the survey

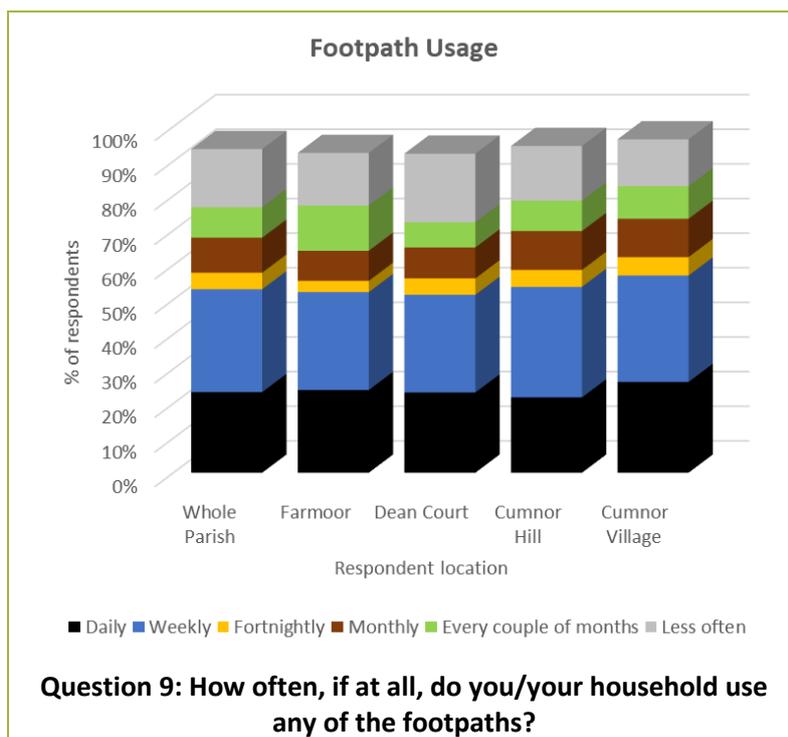


Figure 18 Footpath Usage

Although there are not significant differences between wards, respondents in Cumnor village make regular (monthly or more) use of the footpaths the most, those in Dean Court and Farmoor the least<sup>44</sup> (see Figure 18 above). Comments on footpaths covered their ease of use, location and the provision of dog waste bins.

**Comments on footpaths (n=142)**

*Footpaths in Cumnor area are very good.*

*We love walking but find the footpaths too overgrown and unmaintained to use  
The network of paths is good. The upkeep is a little mixed, with some overgrown,  
some popular connection points are dangerous (e.g. no footpath connecting exit from  
Denman's Lane-Village Hall)*

*Dog mess is a real problem More dog waste bins.*

*Don't know about the footpaths - where they are or where they go to.*

*Be good to know where the 56 public footpaths are - more information available on  
the website. Regularly use Hurst lane footpath - would like to know of others.  
These are an essential part of Cumnor's identity and more could be made of them  
(where is there a good map of all footpaths?)*

*More information needed on where the footpaths are and ideas for local walks using  
the paths.*

*It would be wonderful to have a footpath from Farmoor to Cumnor for children to  
occasionally cycle or walk to school and link the two communities. There are often,  
people on the road between Farmoor and Filchamstead!*

<sup>44</sup> Footpath use at least monthly: Cumnor village: 73%; Dean Court: 65%; Farmoor: 64%

**Environmental issues**

In addition to the environmental issues most closely associated with travel and transport - air quality and traffic noise (Figures 10 and 11 above) - the survey<sup>30</sup> also asked about the impact of two issues associated with the juxtaposition of our green spaces with urban use in the parish: aircraft noise and groundwater flooding (Figures 19 and 20 below).

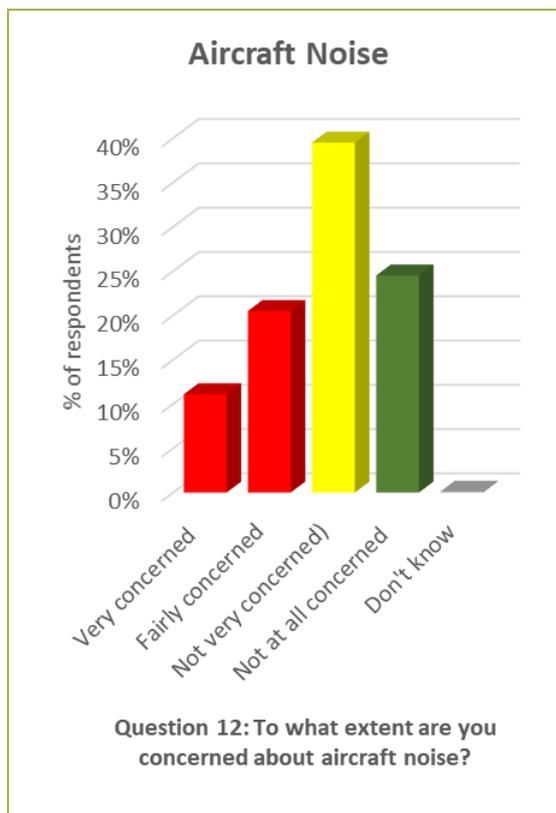


Figure 19 Aircraft Noise

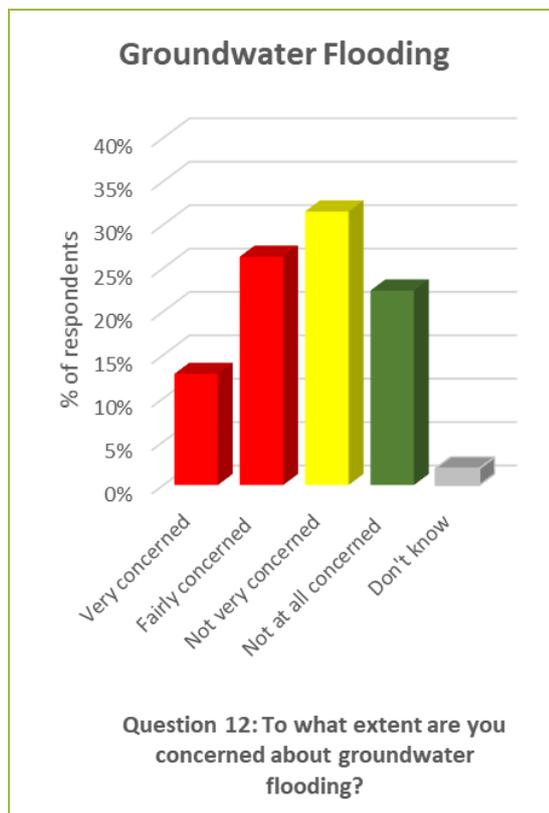


Figure 20 Groundwater Flooding

Across the parish 32% of respondents said they were concerned about aircraft noise<sup>45</sup>, with 39% concerned about groundwater flooding<sup>46</sup>. As with air quality and traffic noise, there were significant variations between different wards (see Tables 4 and 5 below).

<sup>45</sup> Question 12 – aircraft noise: 32% = 11% ‘very concerned’ + 21% ‘fairly concerned’

<sup>46</sup> Question 12 – groundwater flooding: 39% = 13% ‘very concerned’ + 26% ‘fairly concerned’

Q12 – Aircraft Noise	% concerned
Whole Parish	31%
Cumnor Hill	41%
Farmoor	27%
Dean Court	27%

Table 4 Question 12 – aircraft noise

Q12 – Flooding	% concerned
Whole Parish	39%
Farmoor	57%
Dean Court	52%
Cumnor Village	24%

Table 5 Question 12 – groundwater flooding

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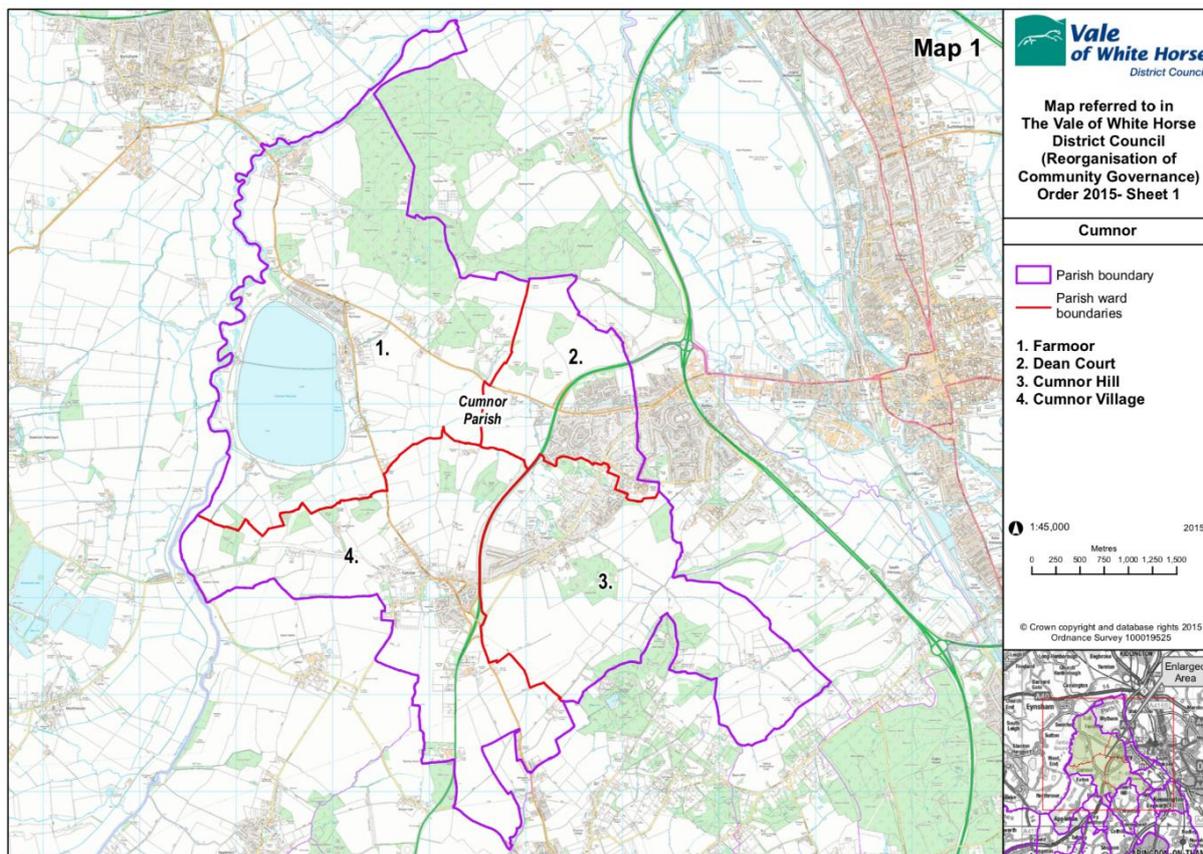
Members of the parish (over 120 people) who attended our public meeting in November 2016; they gave us valuable feedback and insights on these initial areas. This went a long way in challenging and refining the questions areas that we eventually agreed upon.

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8. APPENDICES

**Appendix 1 Map of Cumnor Parish showing wards<sup>47</sup>**



**Appendix 2 Cumnor Parish Wards by street<sup>48</sup>**

**Farmoor Ward streets.**

Church Close, Cumnor Road, Eynsham Road (Parklands, Oakenholt Care Home), Lower Whitley Road, Mayfield Road, Meadow Close, Oakes Lane, Oaklands (Oxford Road), Oxford Road, Swinford (Eynsham Lock House, Cottages, Manor Farm, Toll House, Waterworks Cottage)

**Dean Court Ward streets**

Arnolds Way, Ashcroft Close, Broad Close, Browns Close, Bushy Close, Cumnor Hill (12- 66 +68 Mortimer Court), Cumnor Rise Road 2-14, Dean Court Road, Deanfield Road, Denton Close, Dover Close, Evelyn Close, Eynsham Road, Fogwell Road, Green Lane, Hanson Drive, Homestall Close, Hope Way, Hurst Rise Road 68 - 98, Hutchcombe Farm Close, Long Close, Marley Close, Martin Close,

<sup>47</sup> Clipped from [Vale of White Horse DC website](http://www.valeofwhitehorse.gov.uk) 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018

<sup>48</sup> Taken from the electoral roll December 2016

Nobles Close, Nobles Lane, Orchard Road, Owlington Close, Pinnocks Way, Pottle Close, Queens Close, Scholar Place, Sir Bevys Close, Songers Close, Stanville Road, Stimpsons Close, Stone Close, Stubble Close, Third Acre Rise, Tilbury Lane.

**Cumnor Village Ward streets**

Abingdon Road, Appleton Road, Bablock Hythe Rod, Denmans Lane, Eynsham Road (Denmans farm), Faringdon Road, Forster Lane, Glebe Road, Henwood Boars Hill, Henwood Drive Boars Hill, High Street, Kenilworth Road, Leys Road, Oxford Road, Robsart Place, Sands Close, The Glebe, The Park, The Winnyards, Tumbledown

**Cumnor Hill Ward streets**

Barn Close, Bertie Road, Boars Hill (Chilswell Farm), Chawley Lane, Chilswell Boars Hill, Chilswell Lane, Clover Close, Colegrove Down, Cotswold Road, Cumnor Hill (67 on but not 68), Delamare Way, Halls Close, Hids Copse Road, Hurst Lane, Kimmeridge Road, Norreys Road, Oakwood Way, Oxford Road, Seven Sisters Way, Turnpike Road

Appendix 3 – Methodological Statement



## Methodological Statement

- Future Thinking sent a postal survey, along with a reply-paid envelope, to all 2,758 properties in the Parish of Cumnor. This includes Farmoor, Dean Court, Cumnor Hill and Cumnor Village wards.
- The 6-page survey examined resident attitudes towards the following:
  1. Vision and priority for the Neighbourhood Plan
  2. Local amenities
  3. Local environment and green spaces
  4. Travel
  5. Housing and development
- Fieldwork took place between 5<sup>th</sup> January and 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018.
- In total, 1,000 residents completed the survey, answering on behalf of their household. This gives a of 36% response rate, which is a very good rate of return using this methodological approach.
- Data has been weighted by gender and age according to the latest population statistics for the area (source: Community profile for Cumnor (Parish), © ACRE, OCSI 2013, Oxfordshire Rural Community Council).
- The questionnaire included two open-ended questions, giving respondents the opportunity to comment on;
  - Green spaces and public footpaths within the Parish (answered by 363 respondents, 36% of the total sample)
  - Housing needs in Cumnor Parish (answered by 321 respondents, 32% of the total sample)
- Full verbatim comments have been provided to the Neighbourhood Plan Steering group to be analysed thematically. Full weighted computer tabulations have also been provided, which includes statistical significance testing using the 95% confidence interval.
- The report will be written by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering group and checked by Future Thinking for data accuracy.