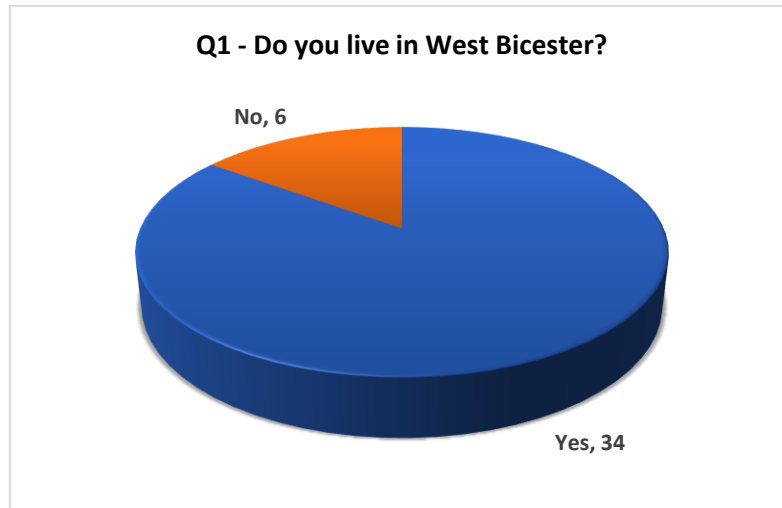


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APPENDIX 4: COMMUNITY SURVEY REPORT

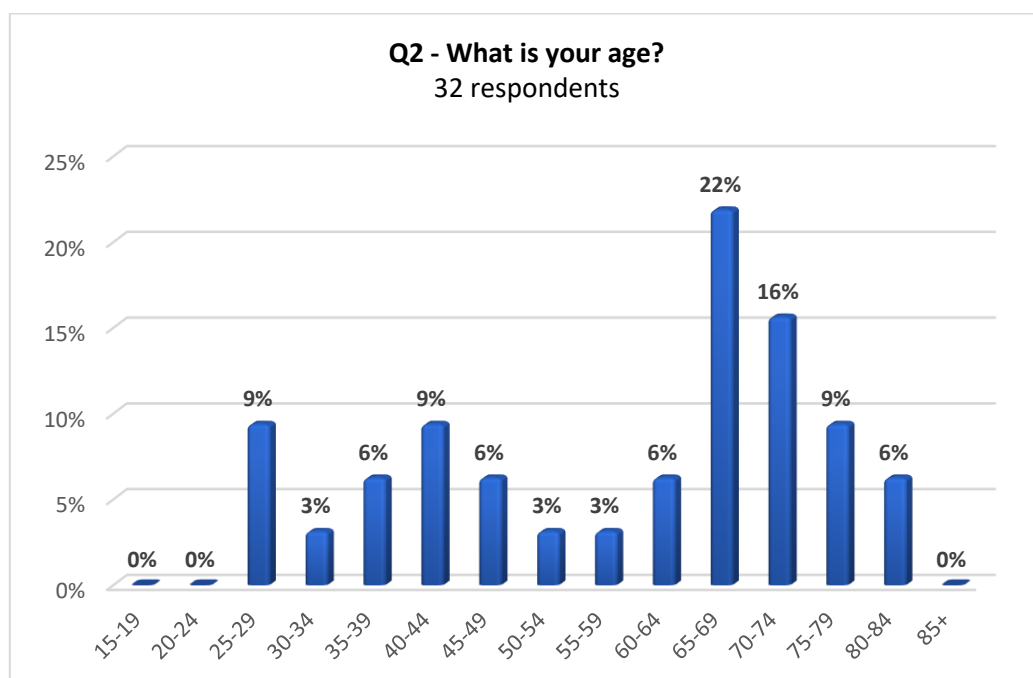
Community Survey Findings

Part 1 – Where do you live?



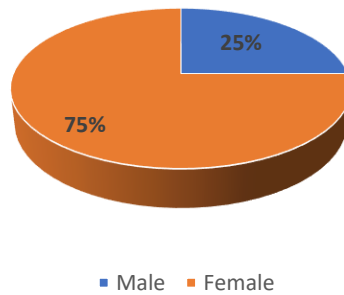
40 residents responded to the community survey overall. Only **34 respondents** answered that they lived in West Bicester (using the map provided), so the remainder of the survey is out of 34 respondents. Where graphs total less than 34, respondents declined to answer the question.

Part 2 – About you



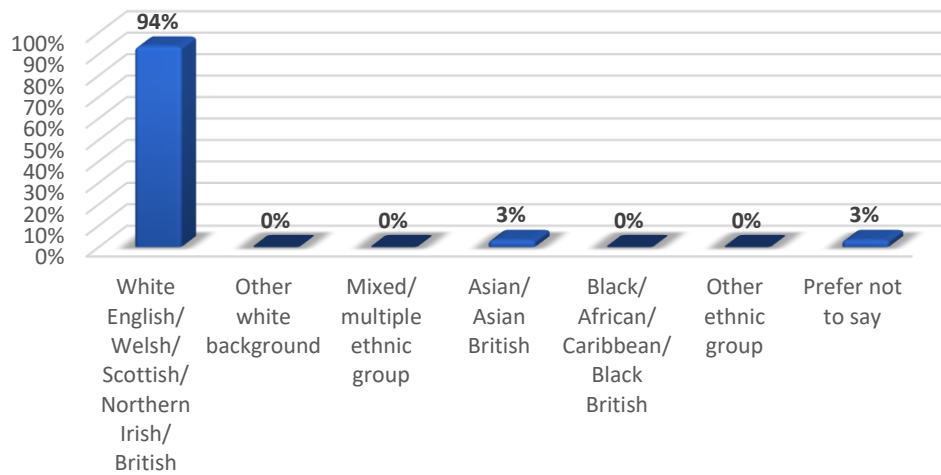
Q3 - What gender do you identify as?

32 respondents



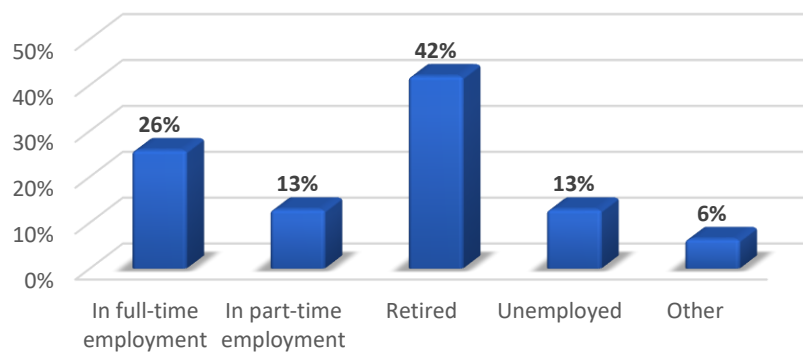
Q4 - What is your ethnic group?

31 respondents



Q5 - What is your employment status?

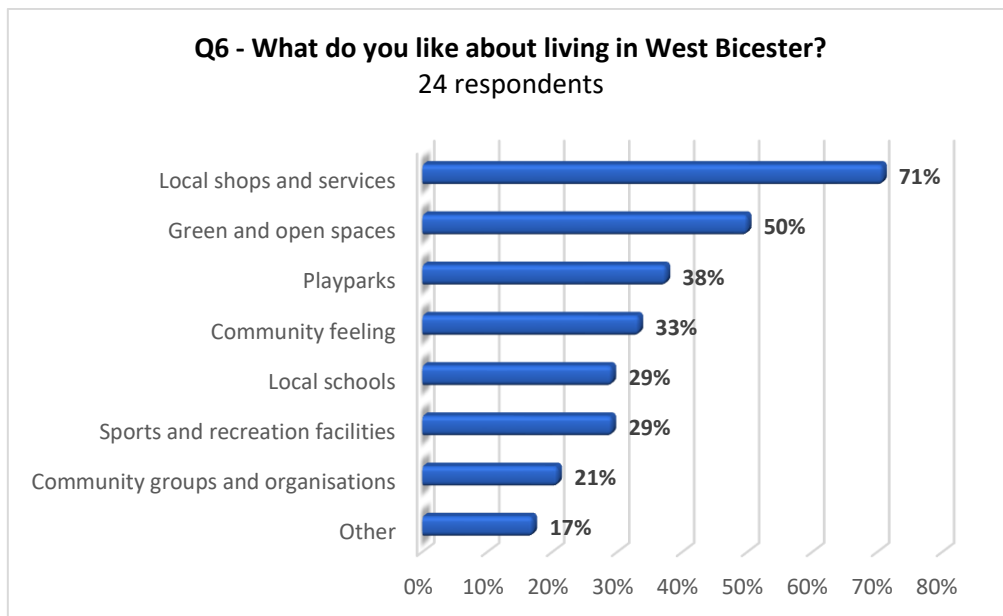
31 respondents



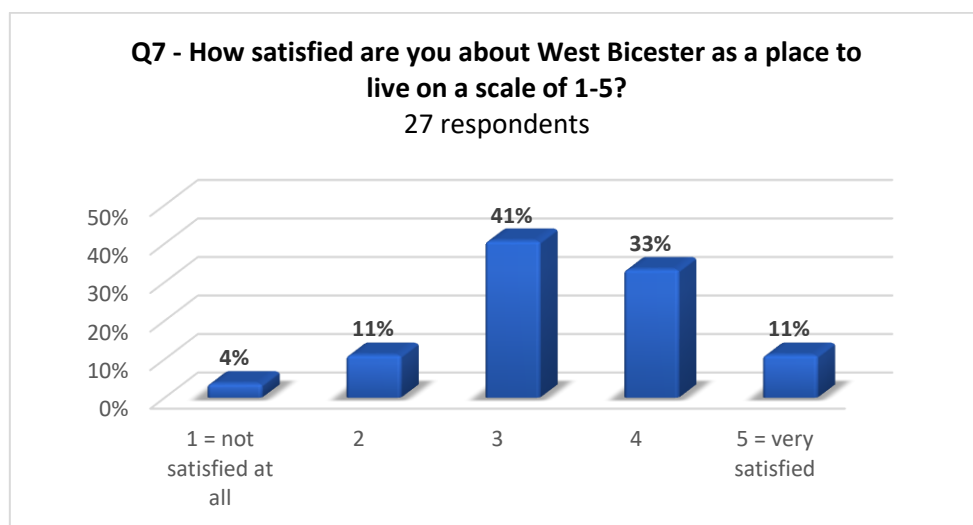
Other (2 respondents):

Stay at home mother	1	Volunteer	1
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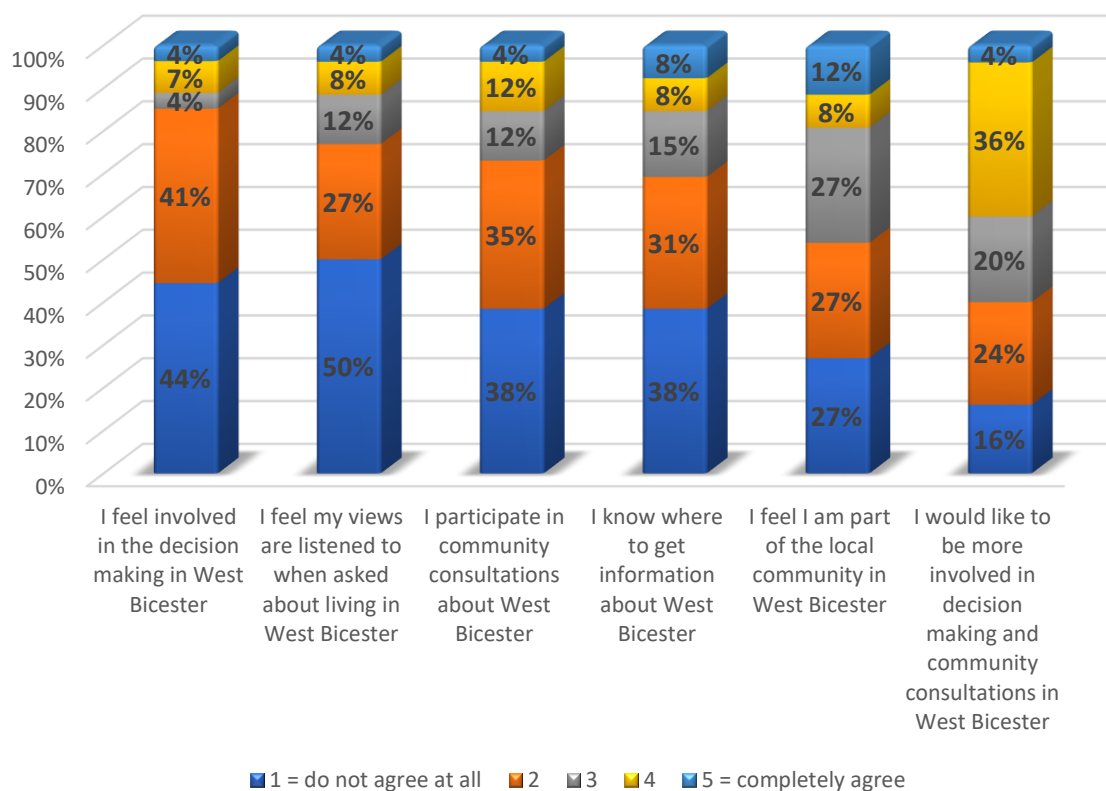
Part 3 – Living in West Bicester



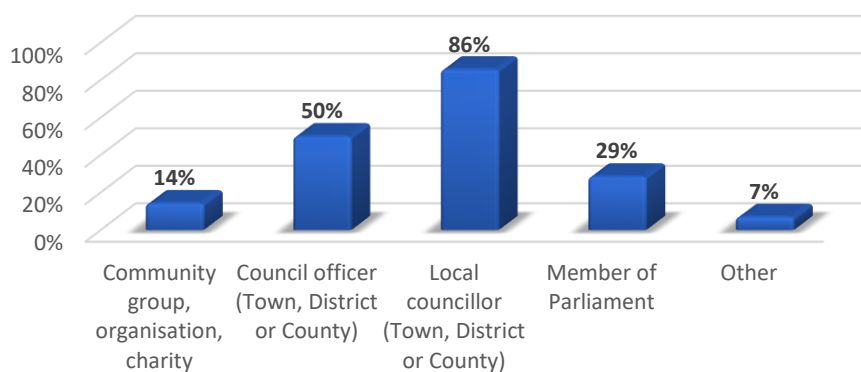
Other (4 respondents):			
Transport links	2	Allotments	1
Close to town/GP	1		



Q8 - Please tell us if you agree or disagree with the following statements on a scale of 1-5
27 respondents



Q9 - Have you contacted any of the following to seek assistance with an issue or to discuss a concern about living in West Bicester?
14 respondents



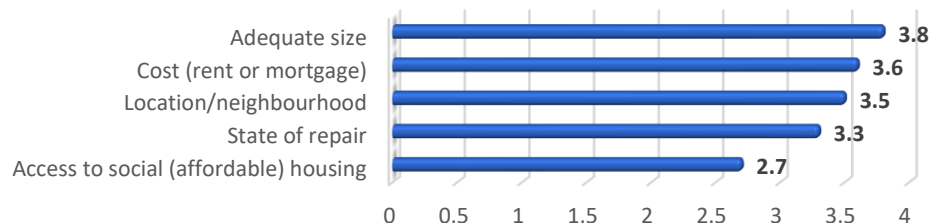
Other (1 respondent):

Police

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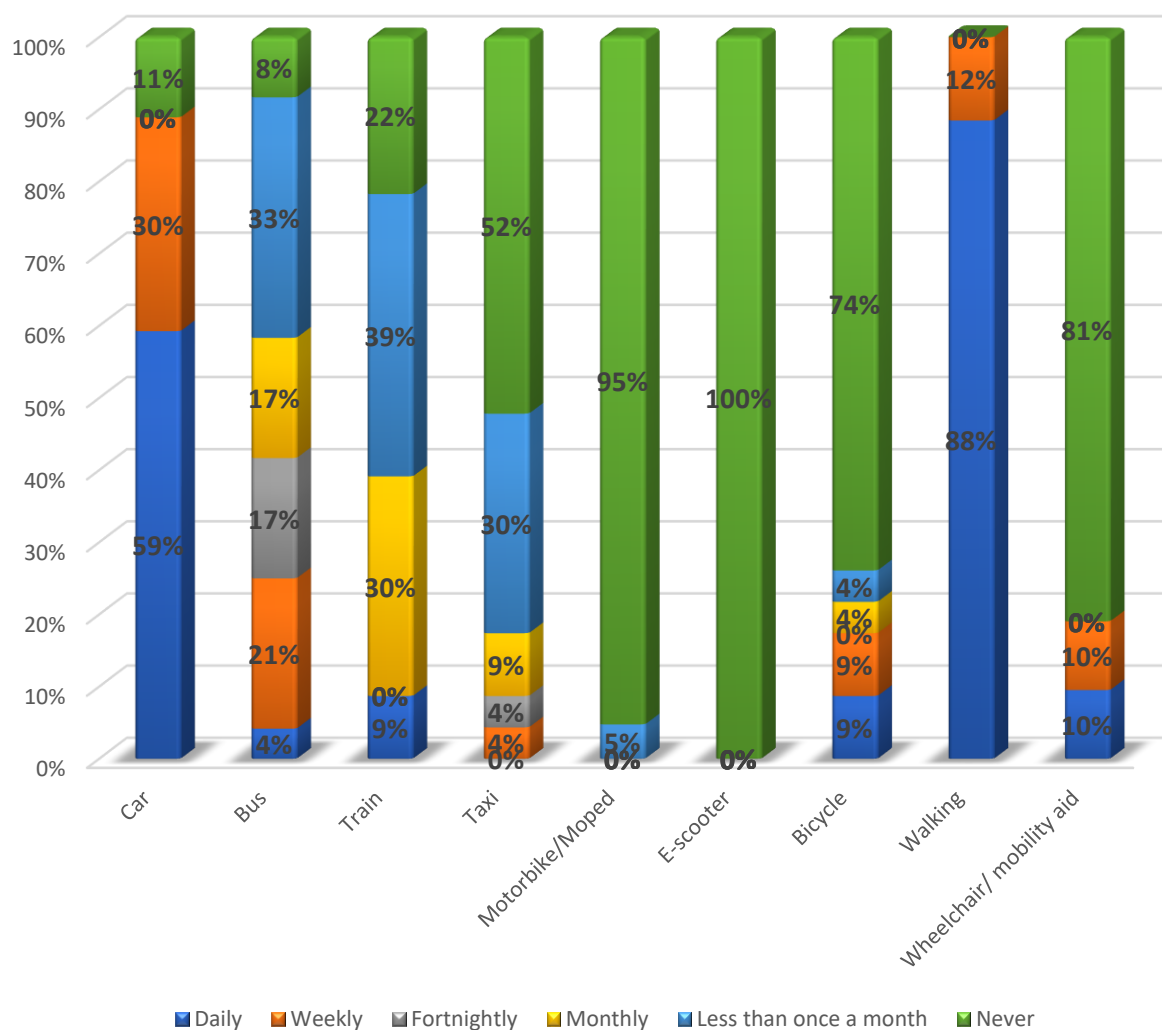
Q10 - How satisfied are you with your housing situation in each of these areas on a scale of 1-5: 1 = not satisfied at all, 5 = very satisfied?
25 respondents

Weighted average out of 5 (5 being most satisfied)



Part 4 – Your daily life

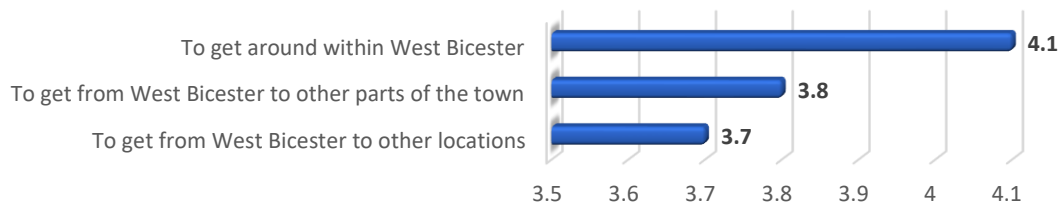
Q11 - How often do you/your household use these modes of transport?
27 respondents



Q12 - How easy do you find it to get around in and outside of West Bicester on a scale of 1-5: 1 = not easy at all, 5 = very easy?

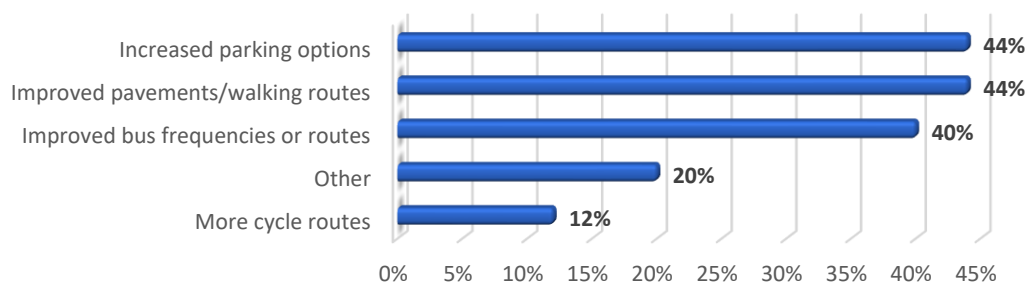
27 respondents

Weighted average out of 5 (5 being most easy)



Q13 - What would be helpful to you for getting around West Bicester?

25 respondents

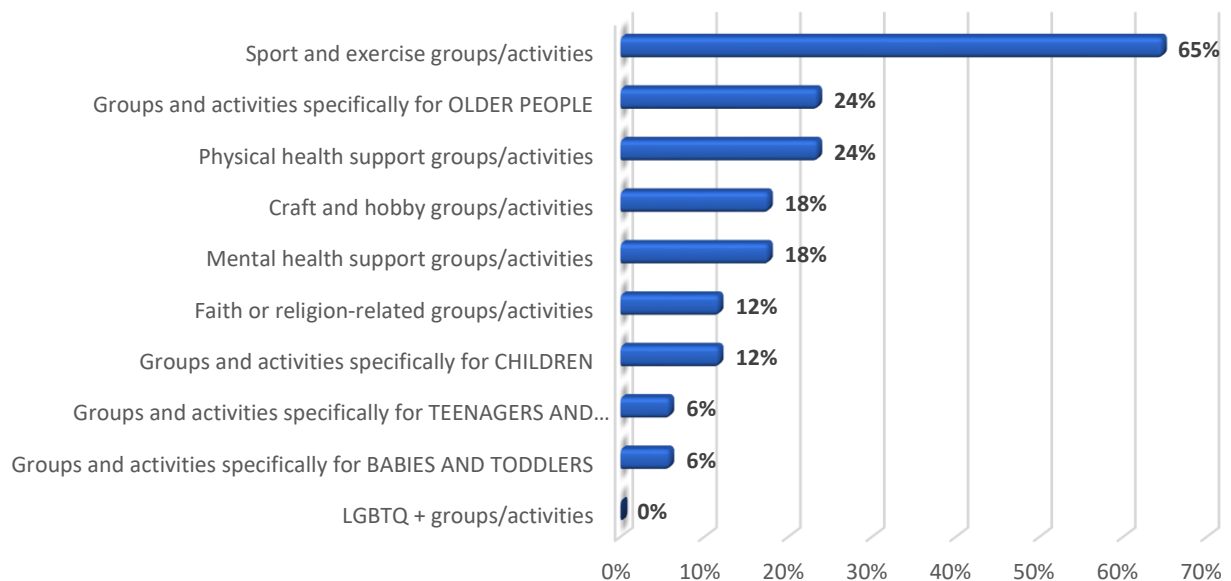


Other (5 respondents):

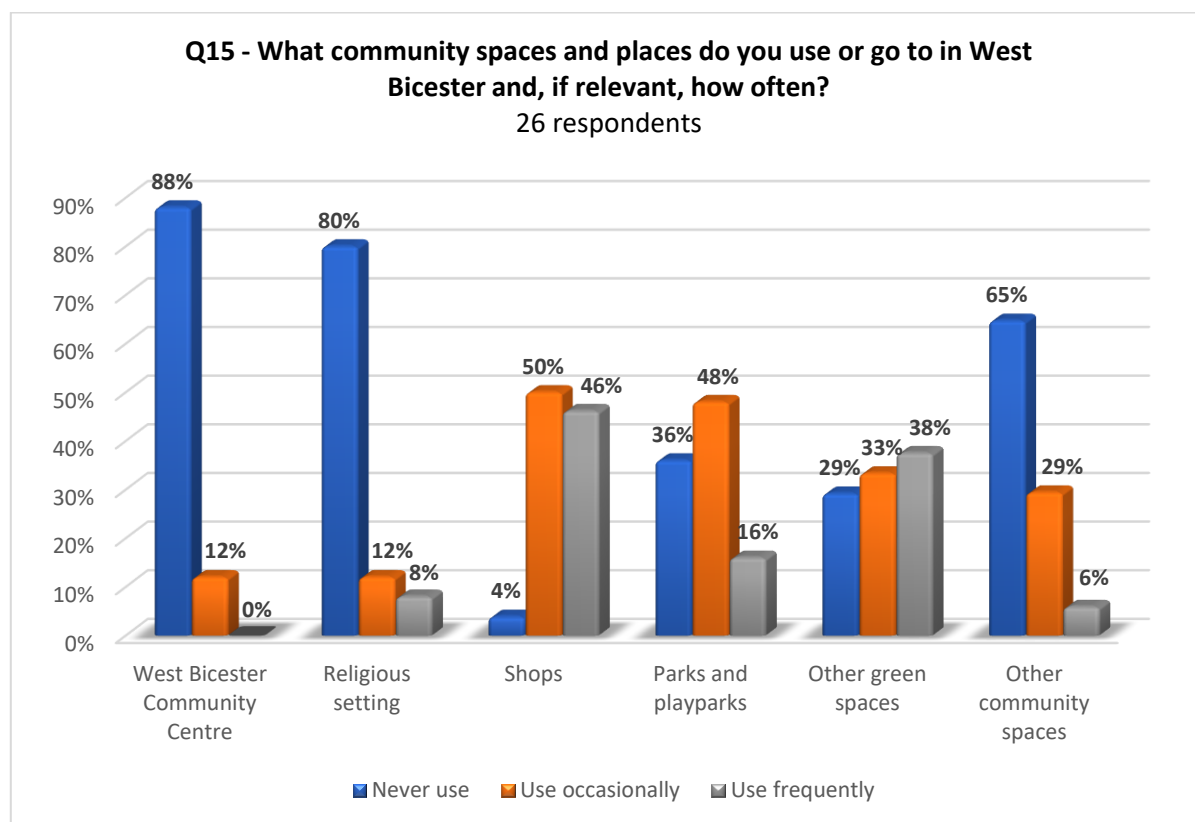
Better kept roads	2	No Bicester Village traffic	1
Free parking	1	Improved upkeep of hedges/trees	1

Q14 - Which community groups, classes, or activities do you use in West Bicester?

17 respondents



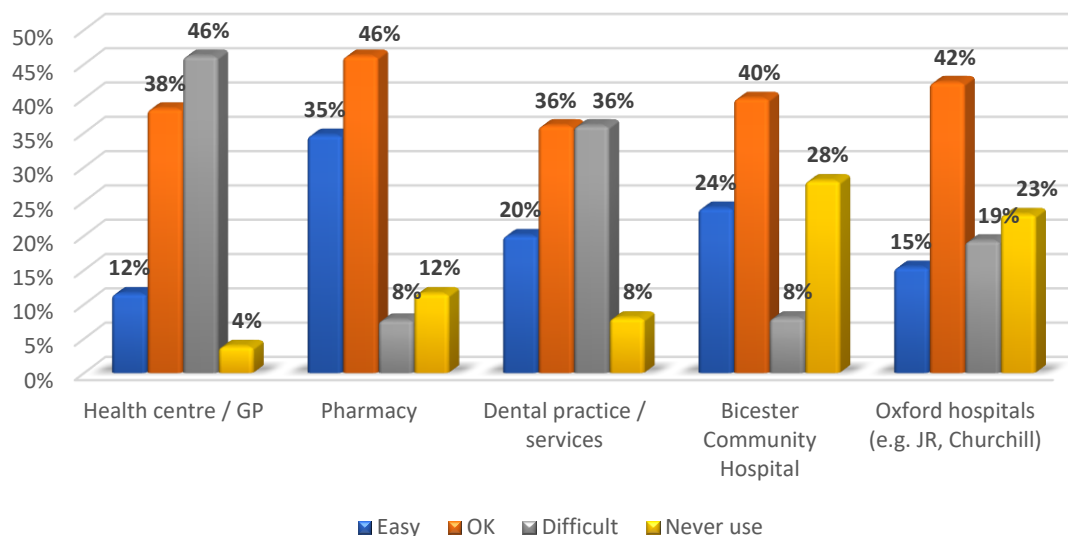
Comments (3 respondents):			
U3A	1	Not aware any of these exist	1
Are none or are poorly advertised	1		



Community centre comments (1 respondent):			
Currently closed	1		
Religious setting comments (3 respondents):			
Christian Spiritualist Church	1	Any	1
None anywhere	1		
Shops comments (5 respondents):			
Tesco	3	Morrisons	2
Local shops	1	OneStop	1
Post office	1		
Parks and playparks comments (2 respondents):			
Park near Morrisons is very good	1	Often locked and broken glass	1
Other green spaces comments (4 respondents):			
White Lands park	1	Allotments	1
Too much litter	1	Would like more	1
Other community spaces comments (1 respondent):			
School fete/Christmas bazaar	1		

Q16 - How easy do you find it to access the following health services?

26 respondents



Health centre/GP comments (11 respondents):

Alcester	1	Montgomery House	1
More parking spaces	2	Very difficult to get appointment / never answer phone	2
By the time you get an appointment it's too late	1	Can never see GP immediately – always have to speak on phone first	1
Not as easy as it used to be	1	E-consult useful but maxes out quick	1
More online consultation than face to face	1	Health services didn't expand when town did	1
Being made to feel bad for wanting to see a GP is crushing	1		

Pharmacy comments (3 respondents):

Ahmeys – very good	1	Better than GP	1
Useful having a number of pharmacies to choose from	1		

Dental practice/services comments (7 respondents):

Outside of Bicester	1	Thame (NHS)	1
No NHS available	3	Need more affordable dentists	1
Love my dentist now it's ground floor	1		

Bicester Community Hospital (4 respondents)

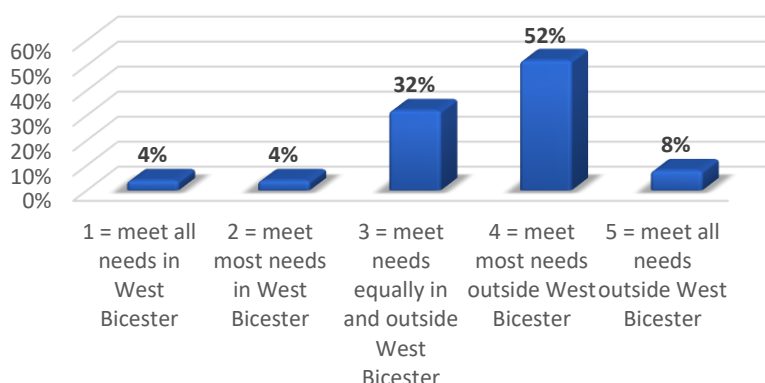
Saved child's life after poor GP care	1	Confusing to know who is eligible and what services are on offer	1
Not enough disabled spaces	1	Never open	1

Oxford hospitals comments (6 respondents):

Difficult to park	5	JR easier than Horton	1
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Q17 - Tell us if you can meet your needs inside or outside West Bicester on a scale of 1-5.

25 respondents



Q18 – Tell us what needs you have to meet OUTSIDE West Bicester.

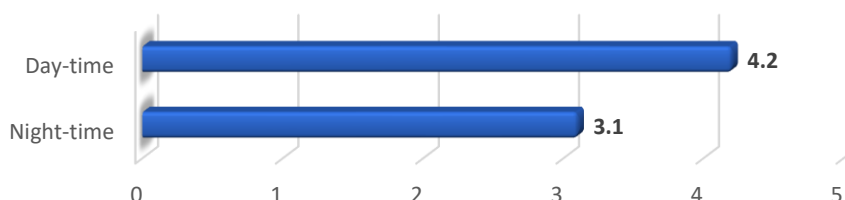
15 respondents, 38 total comments:

General shopping	5	Food shopping/supermarkets	4
Hospitals	4	Entertainment and leisure facilities	4
GP	2	Dentist	2
Gym	2	Coffee shops	2
Work	2	Pharmacy	1
Schools	1	Sporting facilities	1
Hairdresser	1	Car garage	1
Bank/building society/post office	1	Optician	1
Trains	1	Dry cleaning	1
Greater variety of walks	1	Dog walking	1

Q19 - How safe do you feel in the community at different times of the day on a scale of 1-5: 1 = not safe at all, 5 = very safe.

24 respondents

Weighted average out of 5 (5 being most safe)



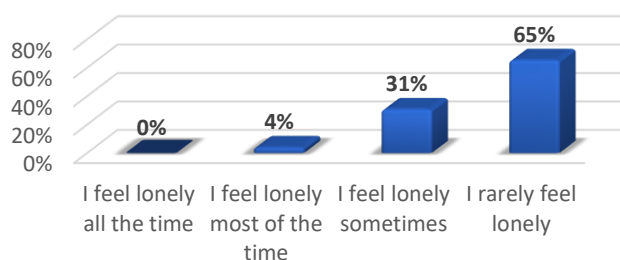
Q20 – Tell us more about your feelings of safety.

10 respondents, 13 total comments:

Need more police presence	4	Need better lit footpaths / council trying to turn off streetlights is not good	4
Drinking and drug-taking occurs	2	Youths with faces covered	1
Avoid path next to secondary school as pupils make me feel unsafe	1	Cars blocking view of roads	1

Q21 - Which of the following statements do you agree with?

26 respondents



Comments (1 respondent):

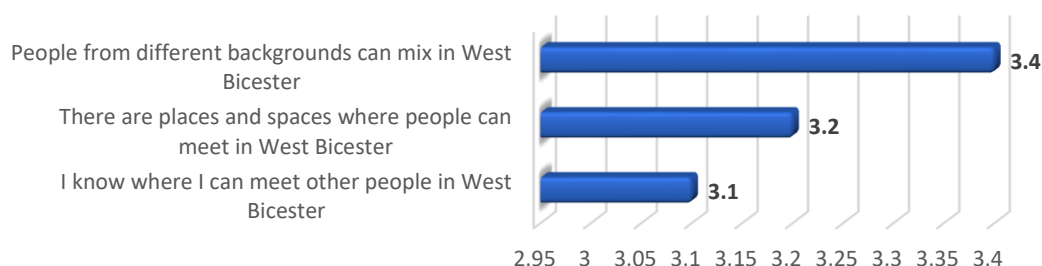
Can't afford to go out

1

Q22 - Do you agree or disagree with the following statements on a scale of 1-5: 1 = do not agree at all, 5 = completely agree

25 respondents

Weighted average out of 5 (5 being most agreed with)



Comments (2 respondents):

There isn't a sense of community or events where different backgrounds can meet

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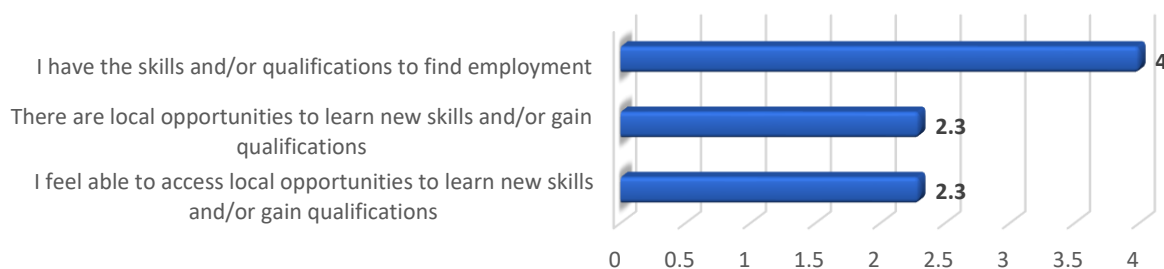
Someone needs to initiate a conversation or organise a meet-up, there are no casual drop-in spaces

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Q23 - Do you agree or disagree with the following statements on a scale of 1-5: 1 = do not agree at all, 5 = completely agree

24 respondents

Weighted average out of 5 (5 being most agreed with)

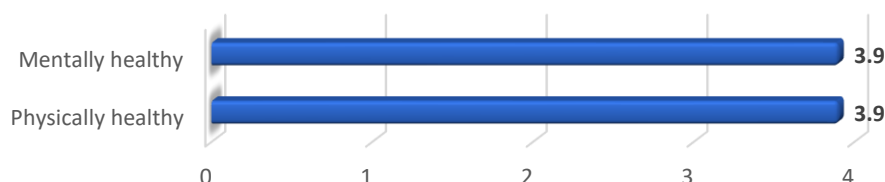


Part 5 - Your health and wellbeing

Q24 - How healthy do you consider yourself, both physically and mentally, on a scale of 1-5: 1 = not healthy at all, 5 = very healthy?

27 respondents

Weighted average out of 5 (5 being most healthy)

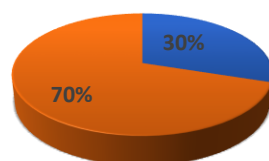


Comments (4 respondents):

Depression / low mental health	2	Bipolar	1
Overweight	1		

Q25 - Do you have a long-standing illness or disability that affects day to day life?

24 respondents



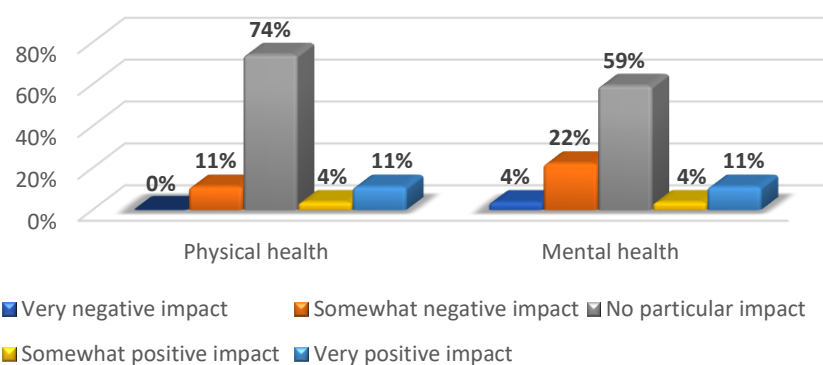
■ Yes ■ No

Comments (2 respondents):

Type 1 diabetes	1	Right leg not working properly	1
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Q26 - Has the COVID-19 pandemic had any long-term impacts on your physical or mental health?

27 respondents

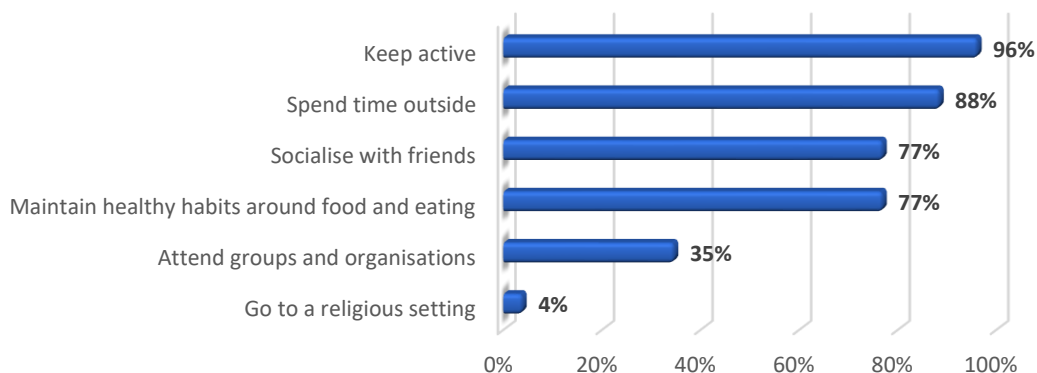


Comments (2 respondents):

Has increased asthma	2	Time at home has made me more shy	1
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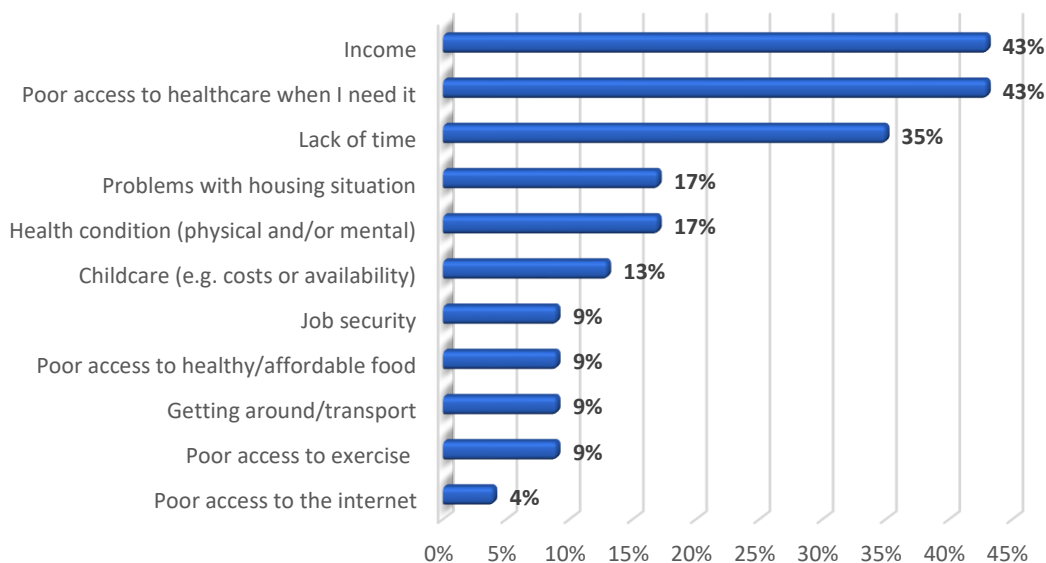
Q27 - What do you do to look after your health/ yourself?

26 respondents



Q28 - What things have made it more difficult for you to look after yourself/ your household?

23 respondents

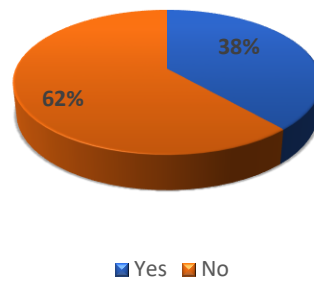


Other (2 respondents):

Uncertainty over future of 21 bus service	1	Access to effective therapy services for family members	1
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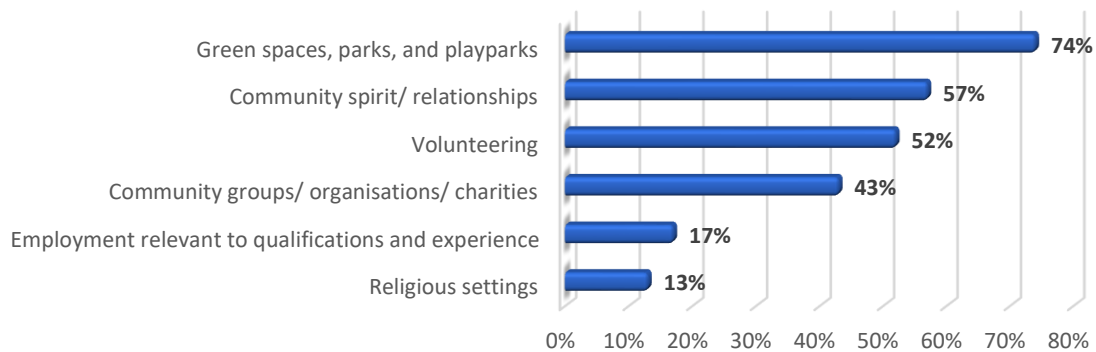
Q29 - Do you have a caring responsibility?

26 respondents



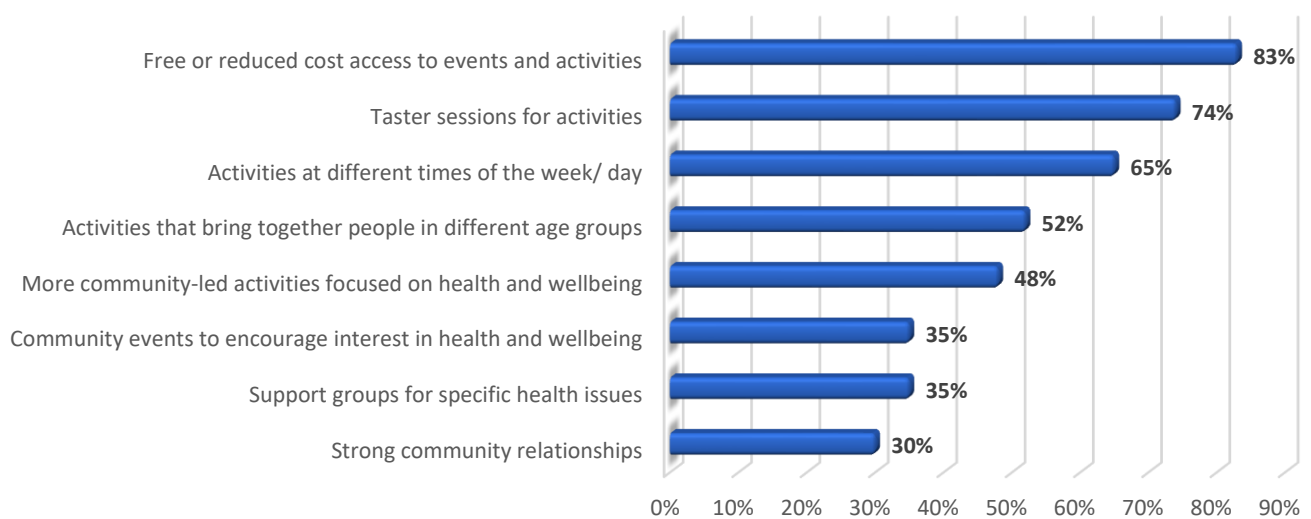
Q30 - What do you think supports health and wellbeing in West Bicester?

23 respondents

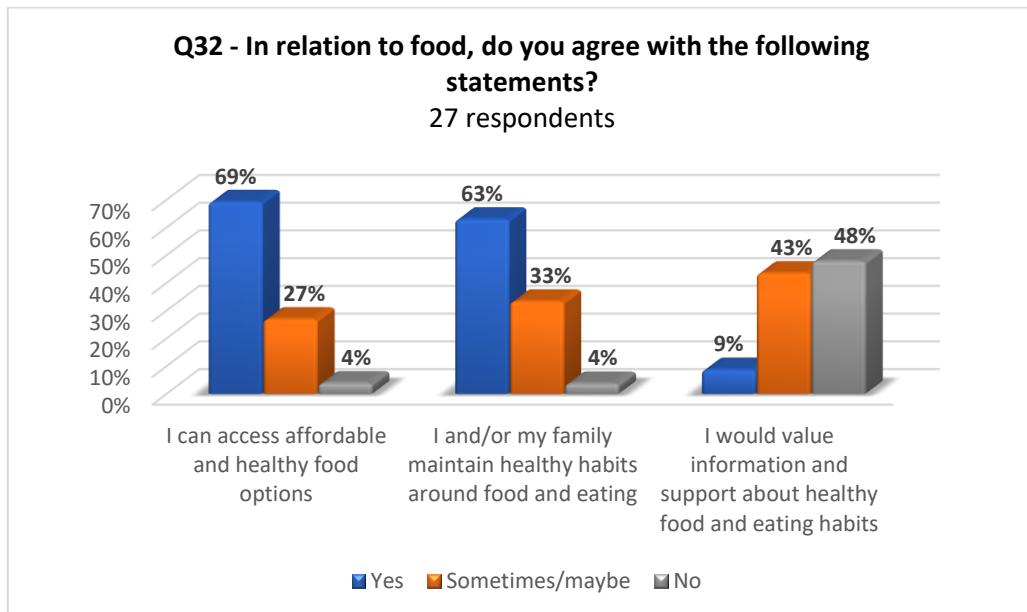


Q31 - What do you think would improve the health and wellbeing of people living in West Bicester?

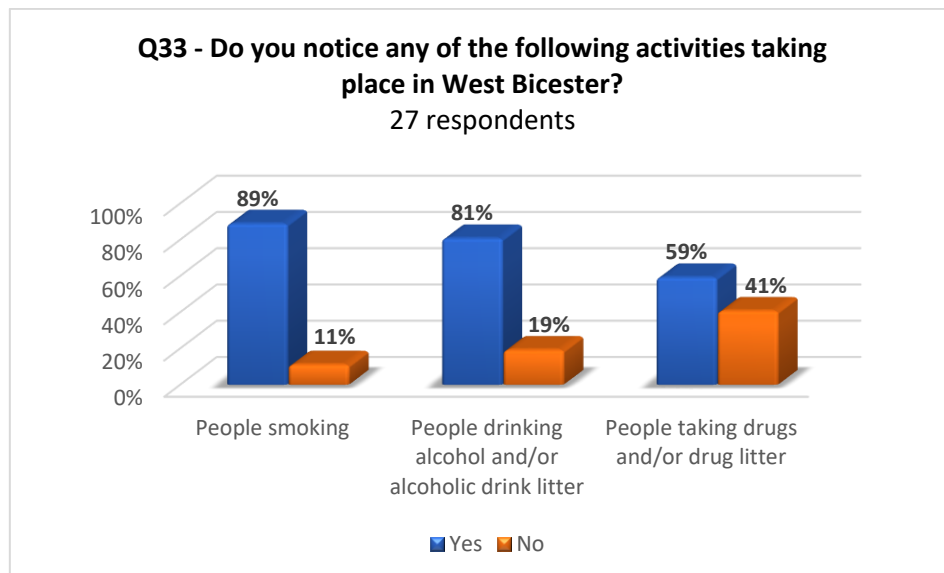
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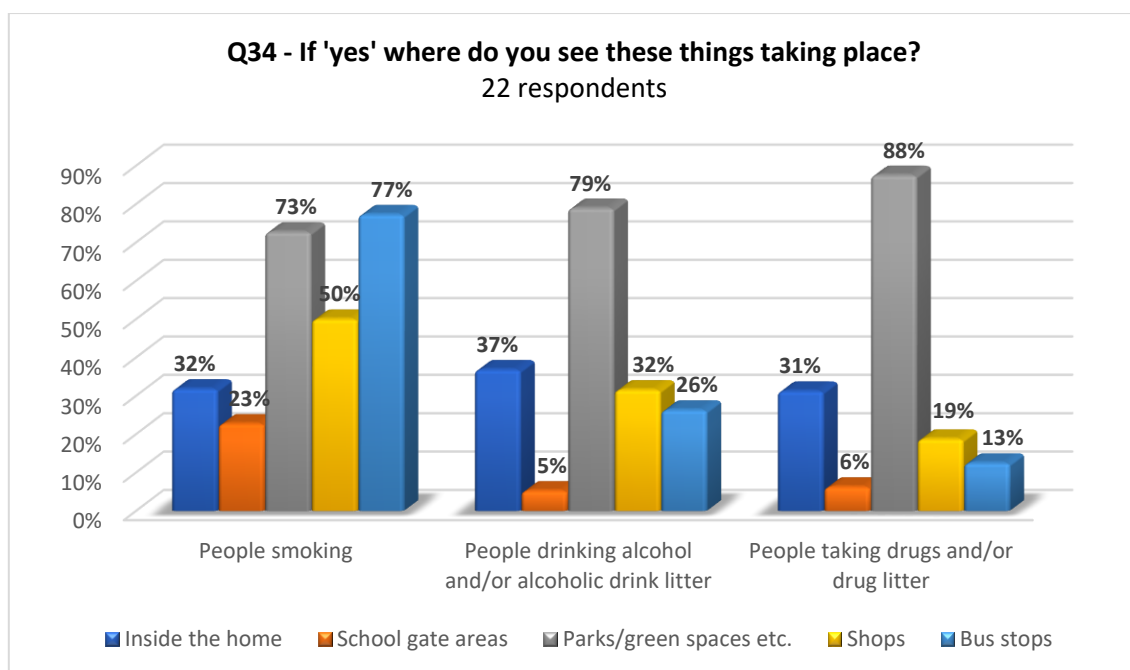


Other (3 respondents):			
More green spaces	1	Increased police presence	1
Clean up what we have	1	All about getting ideas, volunteers, funding etc.	1



Other (1 respondent):			
Lack of money, rising costs, good food unaffordable	1		





Other (1 respondent):			
Streets in general, smell of cannabis	1		

Part 6 - Your personal experiences of health and wellbeing

6 comments

- Severe depression and suicidal thoughts but stable now
- Started therapy due to stress
- Still suffering from covid 19
- Cost of living a big problem
- NHS calorie counting app is helping me and my mum lose weight
- Bicester Green Gym is a great initiative as is free, works outdoors on Tuesday mornings in Bicester's green spaces, making a positive impact on the environment and physical and mental health. All within the town ring road. After COVID my husband maintained a healthy lifestyle with "daily walks" and lost a lot of weight naturally, using the Blue Line routes.