

Blisworth Community Plan 2010 Survey Results

THIS IS WHAT YOU SAID!



Introduction

Community Plans were initiated by the Government in 2000, funded by the Countryside Agency and administered locally by the Rural Community Council, Northamptonshire ACRE (Action with Communities in Rural England). A team of volunteers, initially led by Jan Andrews, organised the "Have Your Say" Day in October 2009 to discover villagers' opinions and concerns and what issues were considered important. Several meetings were held to discuss this information and it formed the basis of a detailed questionnaire delivered to every household in the Parish.

We would like to thank all the 40 volunteers who traipsed through the snow in January 2010 to deliver the surveys to nearly 800 dwellings. And a big thank you to all the residents who completed them. We collected 600 – a wonderful response of over 75%! The answers have all been analysed and presented for the "This is What You Said" Day in October 2010. We thank ACRE for funding this event.

All your comments have been noted and will result in a very strong well-supported Parish Plan early in 2011 setting out the community's issues, needs and aspirations and will form an action plan to prioritise the issues. Copies will be circulated to the Parish Council, South Northants Council and ACRE and will be available for other organisations to assist with decision making, local planning and service provision. An executive summary will be delivered to every household.

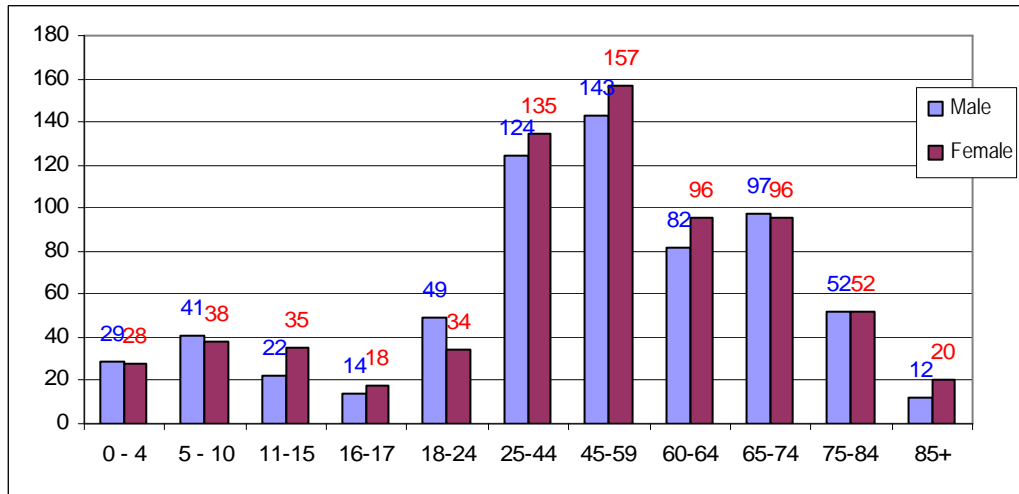
In October 2010 the current Action Group volunteers are: Chairman, Pat Masterman; Beryl Andrews, Di Burgoyne, Margarete Field, Ann North, Jane Percival, Linda Pusey and Sarah Sykes.

HOUSEHOLD SECTION

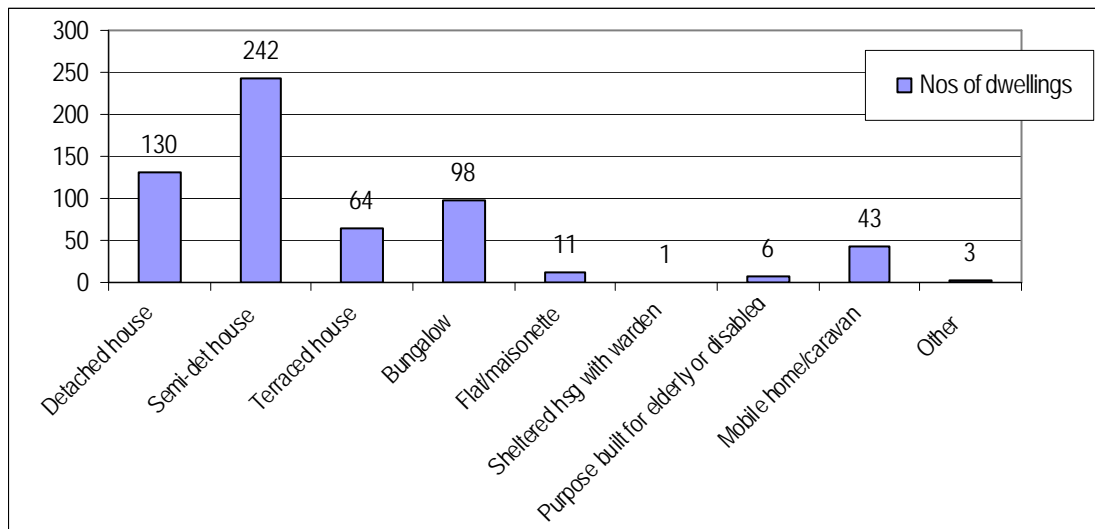
TOTAL NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS RESPONDING TO SURVEY: **600**

Question:1 How many people including children normally live in your household? **1374**

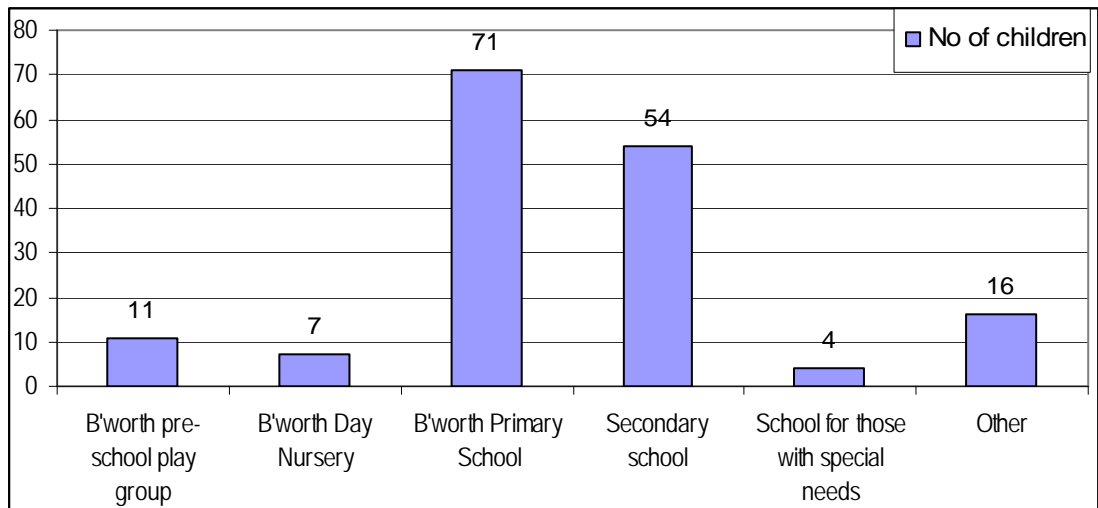
Question:2 Please enter the number of people in your household in each age group:



Question:3 What type of dwelling is this?



Question:4 Enter the number of children under 16 in your household who attend the following:



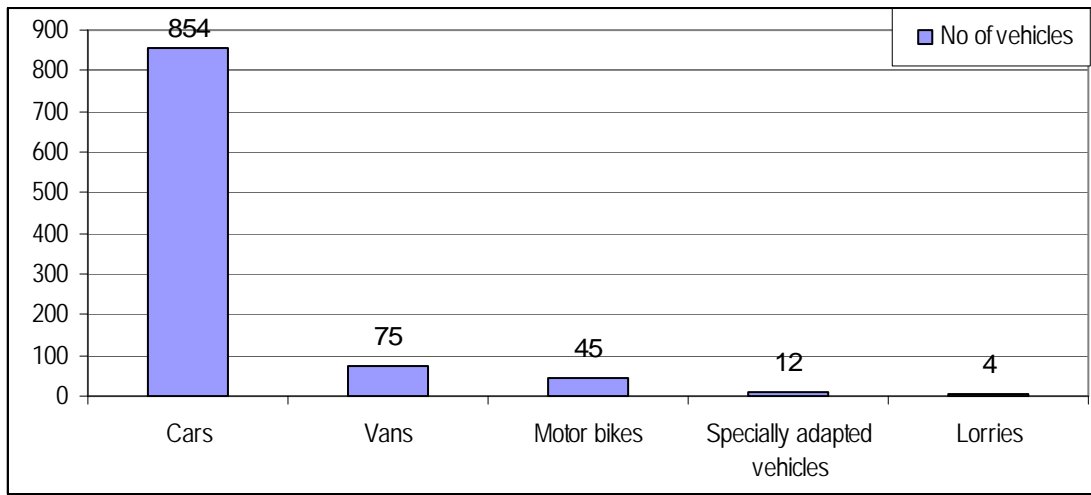
Question:5 If any of your children of appropriate age do not attend Blisworth Primary School please give the reason why.

No places available	2
Special needs not catered for	1
Other - please specify	10

Question:6 If any of your children of appropriate age do not attend the secondary school of their choice please give the reason why.

Outside of catchment area	5
Special needs not catered for	0
Other - please specify	3

Question:7 How many roadworthy vehicles are kept by your household?



Question:8

How many bicycles (used at least once a week) are there in your household?

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PERSONAL SECTION

Question:9

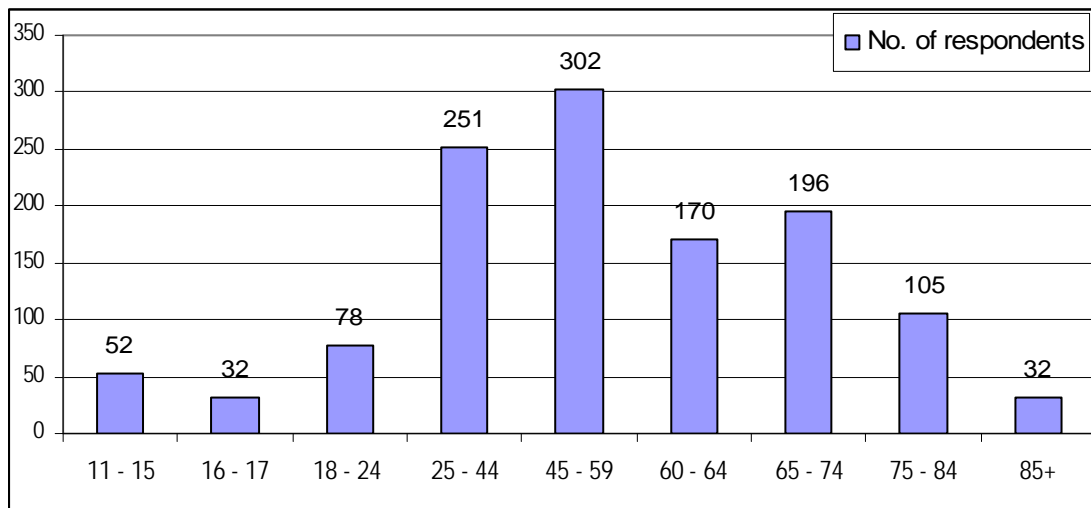
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: **1,214**

Sex	Male	576 (47.4%)
	Female	638 (52.6%)

Question:10

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: **1,218**

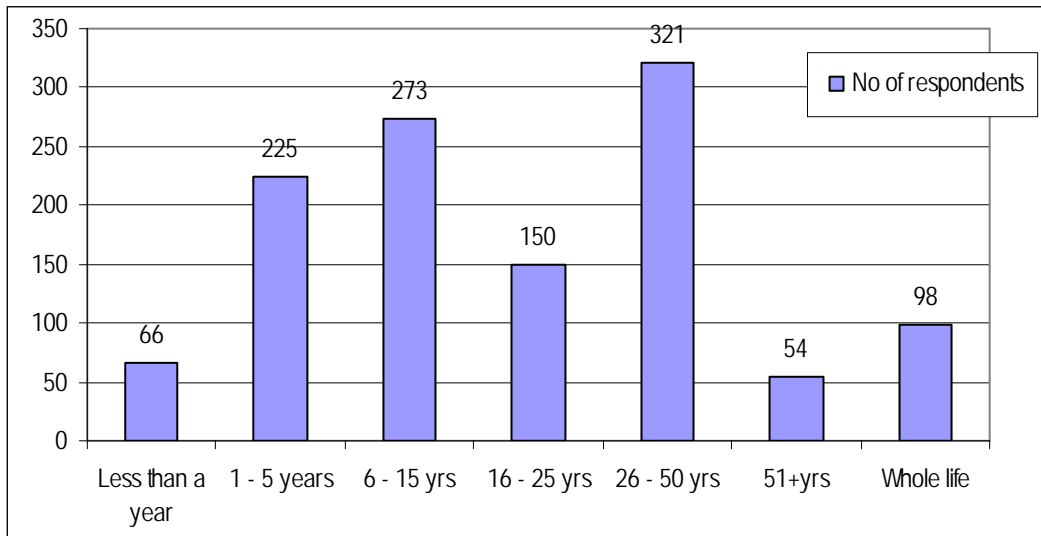
What age group do you belong to?



Question:11

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS : 1,187

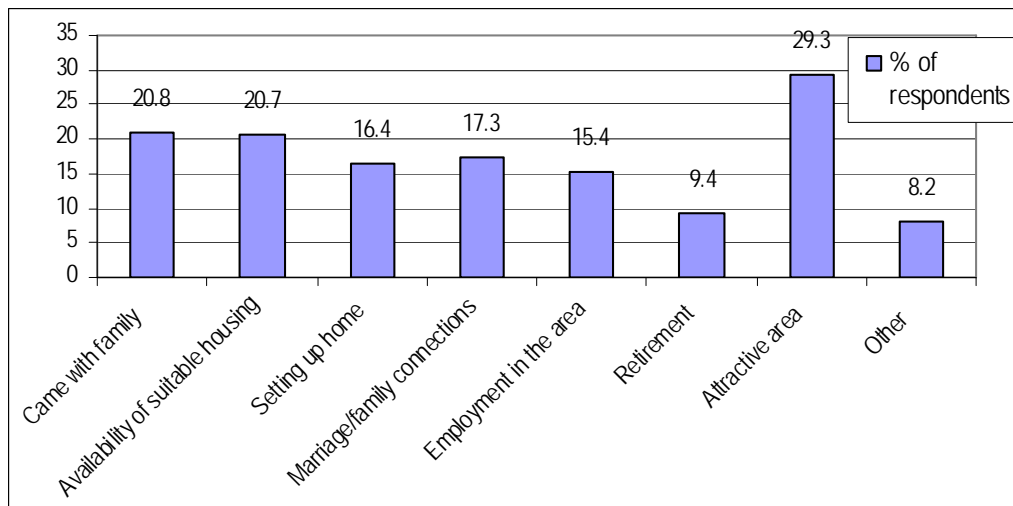
How long have you lived in Blisworth?



Question:12

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,069

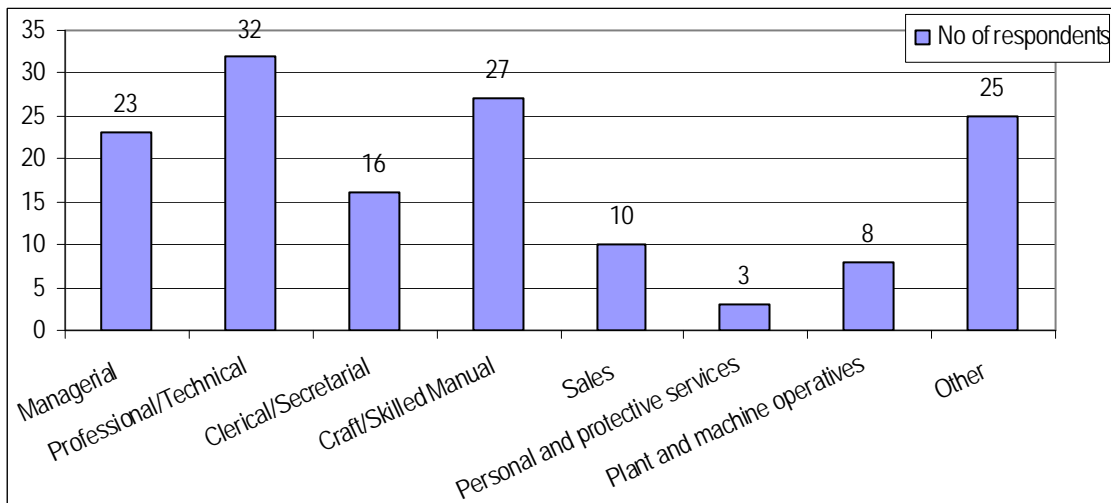
If you moved here, what brought you here?



Question:13

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 117

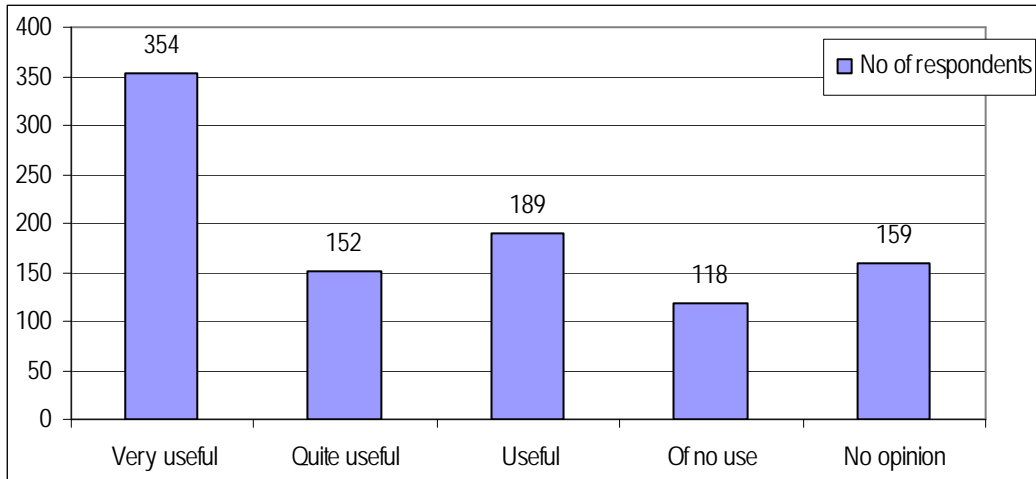
If you are seeking employment, what type of work are you looking for?



Question:14

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 972

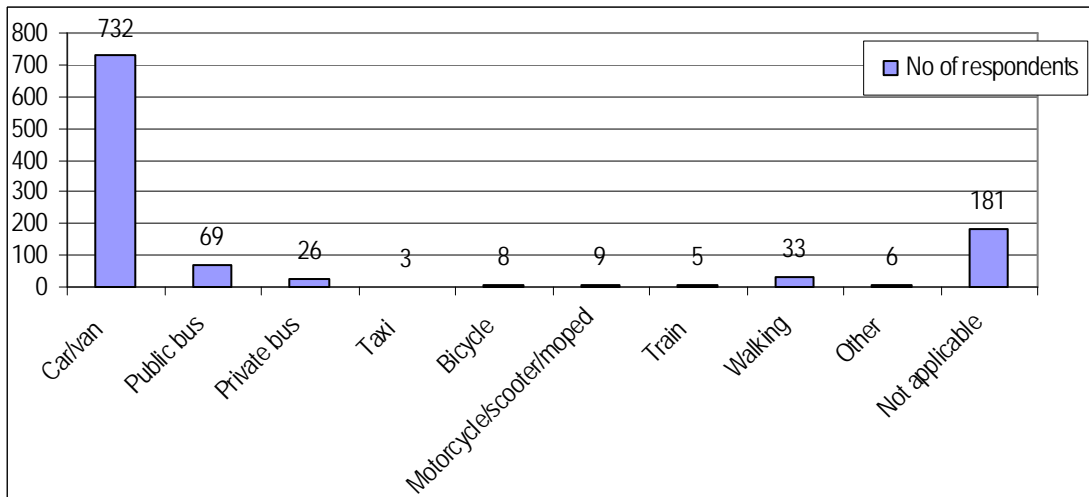
Would a local job vacancy board displayed in Blisworth be useful?



Question:15

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,072

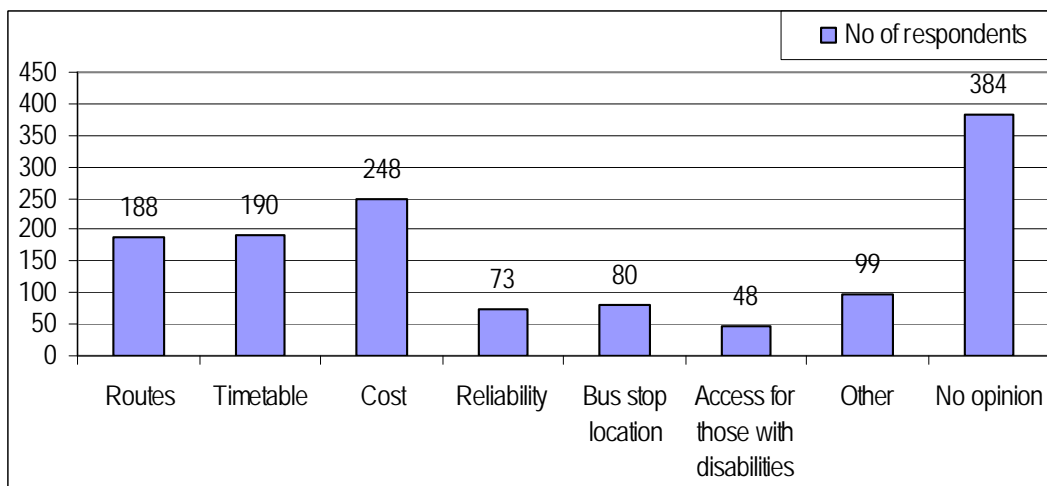
What is, or would be, your main means of transport to work, training or study?



Question:16

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 949

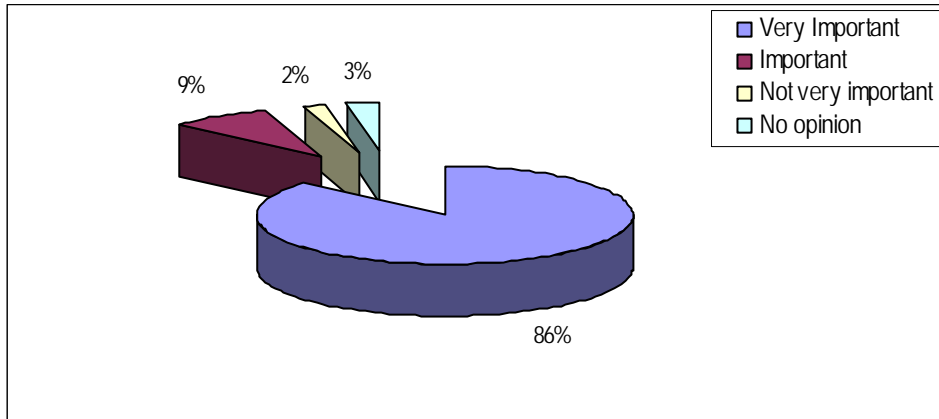
Would you like to see any improvements in the bus service with regard to?



Question:17

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,166

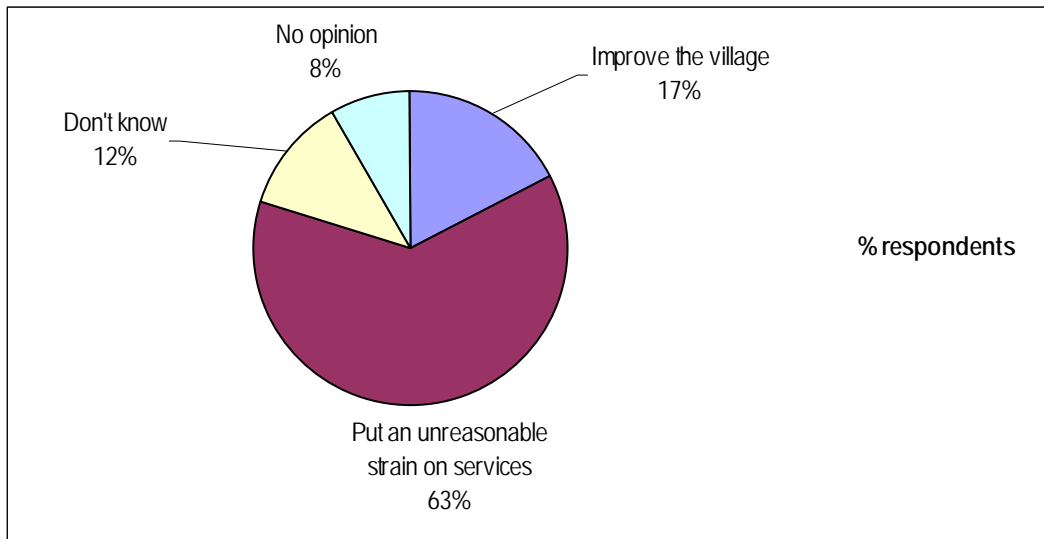
How important is it that Blisworth should remain a village separate from Northampton and surrounding villages?



Question:18

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,117

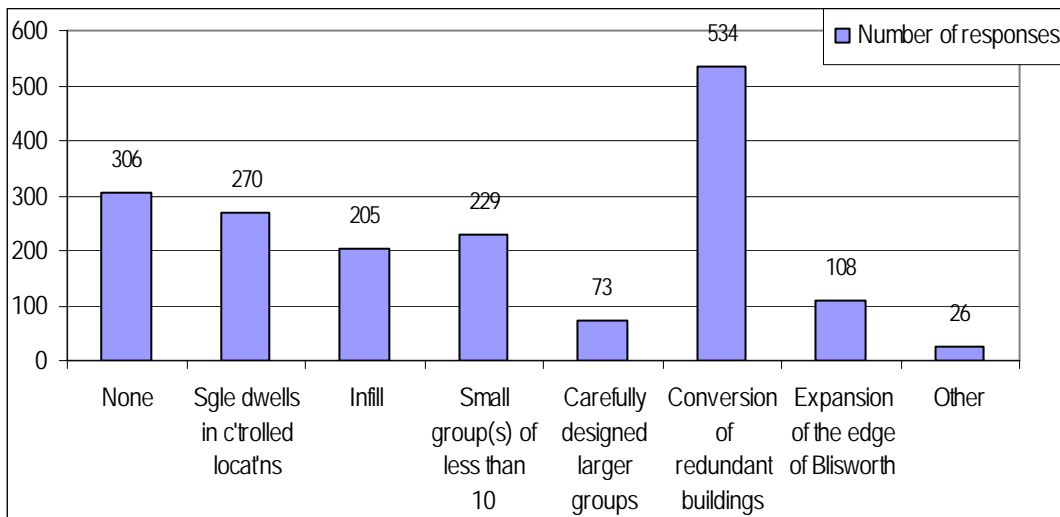
Do you think more new housing in Blisworth will:-



Question:19

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,091

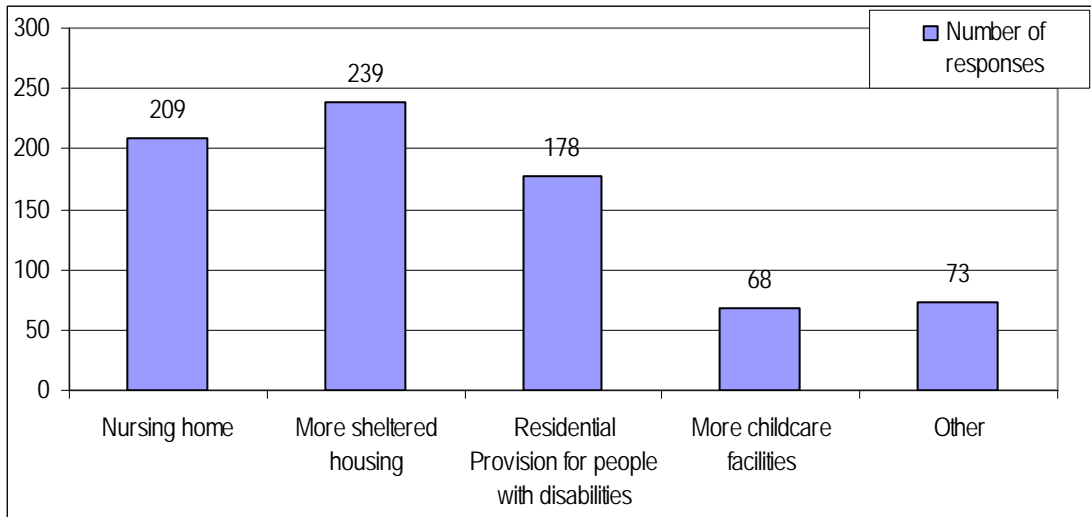
What type(s) of housing development would be acceptable in Blisworth?



Question:20

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 586

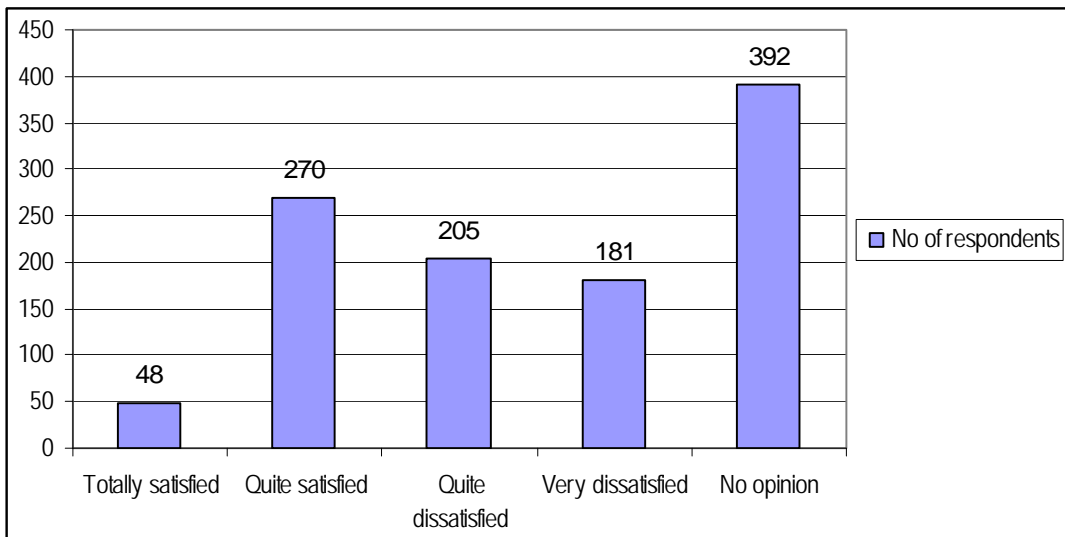
Is there a need for any of these in Blisworth?



Question:21

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS : 1,096

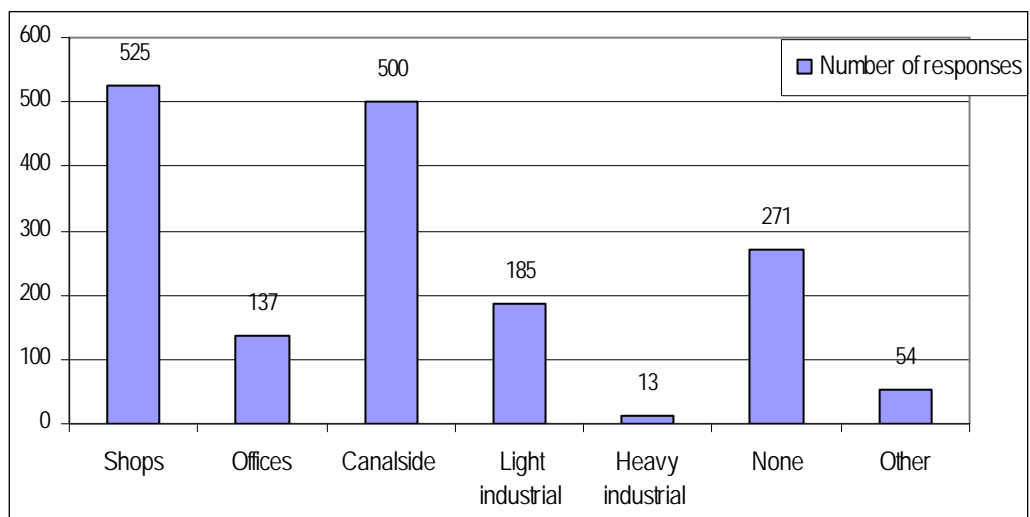
What is your opinion of the way the planning system is implemented in Blisworth by South Northants Council ?



Question:22

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,098

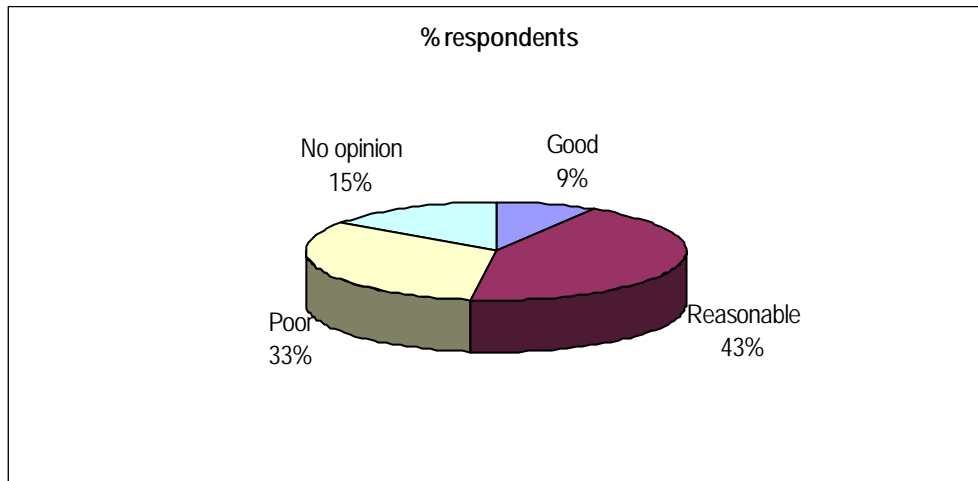
What type of commercial development would be acceptable in Blisworth?



Question:23

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,136

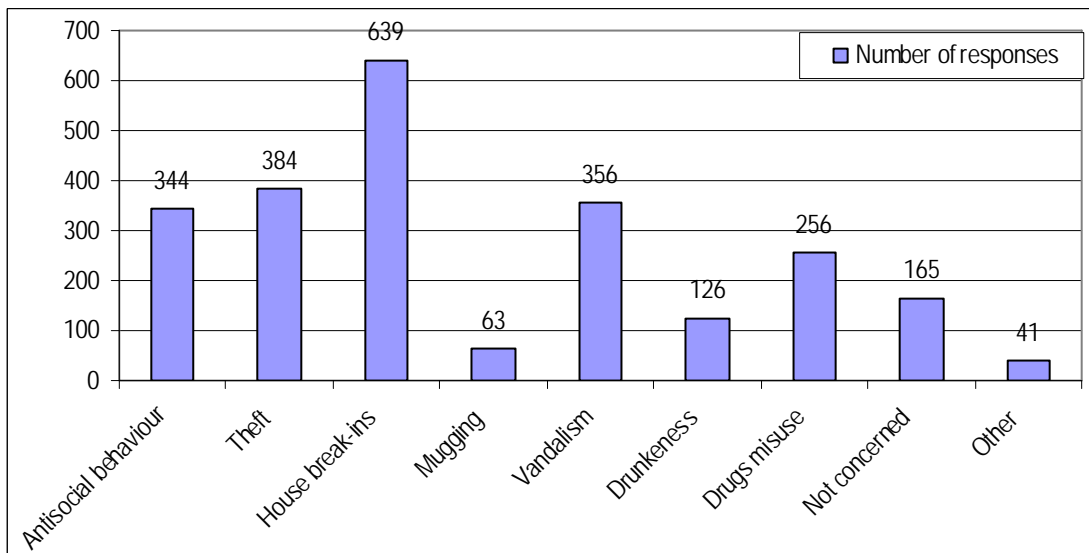
Do you regard the police coverage of Blisworth to be:-



Question:24

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,086

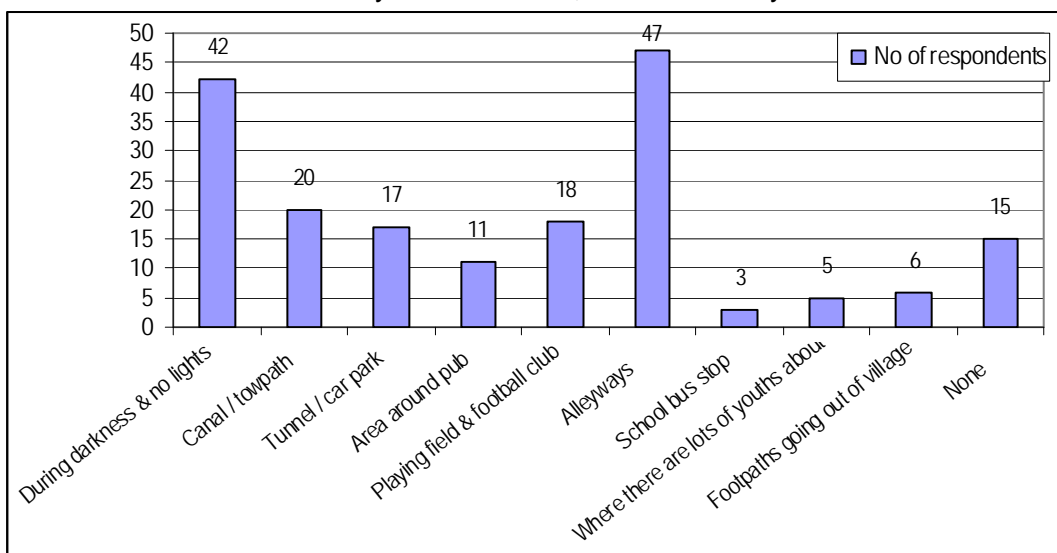
Which, if any, of the following crimes and anti-social behaviour concern you in Blisworth?



Question:25

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 230

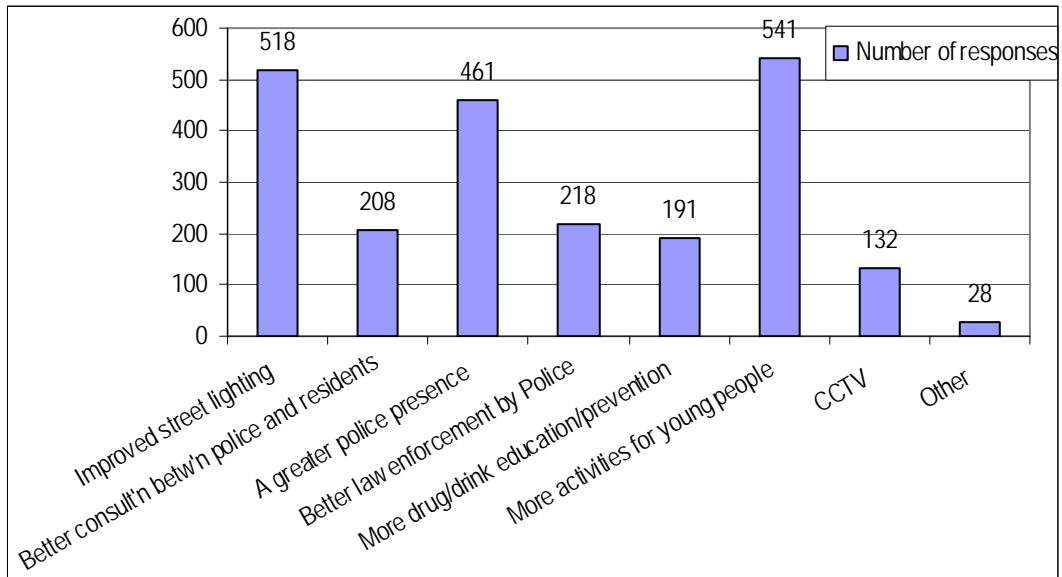
If there are areas of Blisworth in which you feel unsafe, where are they?



Question:26

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,025

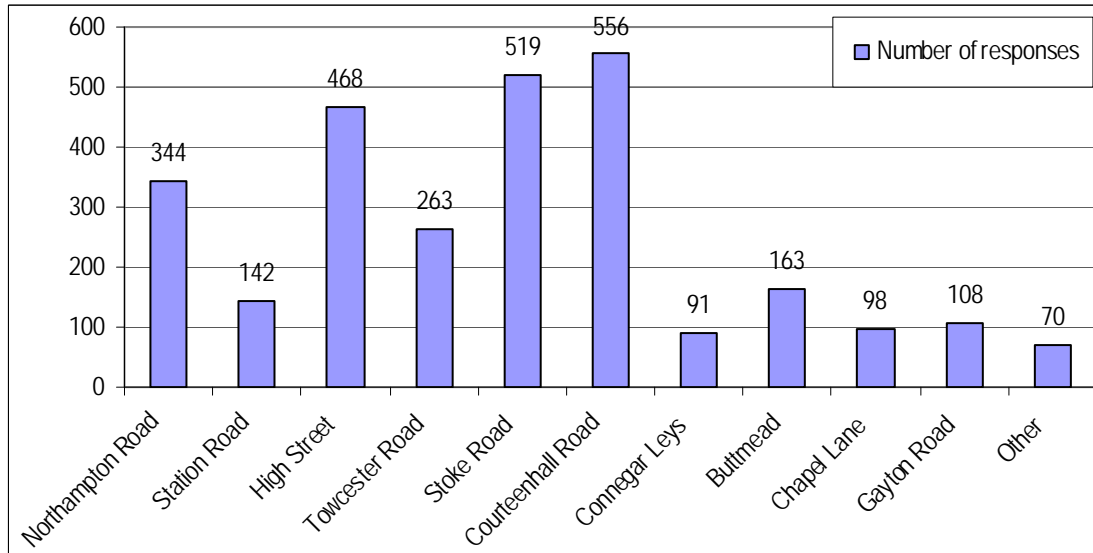
Do you think any of the following measures are needed?



Question:27

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,000

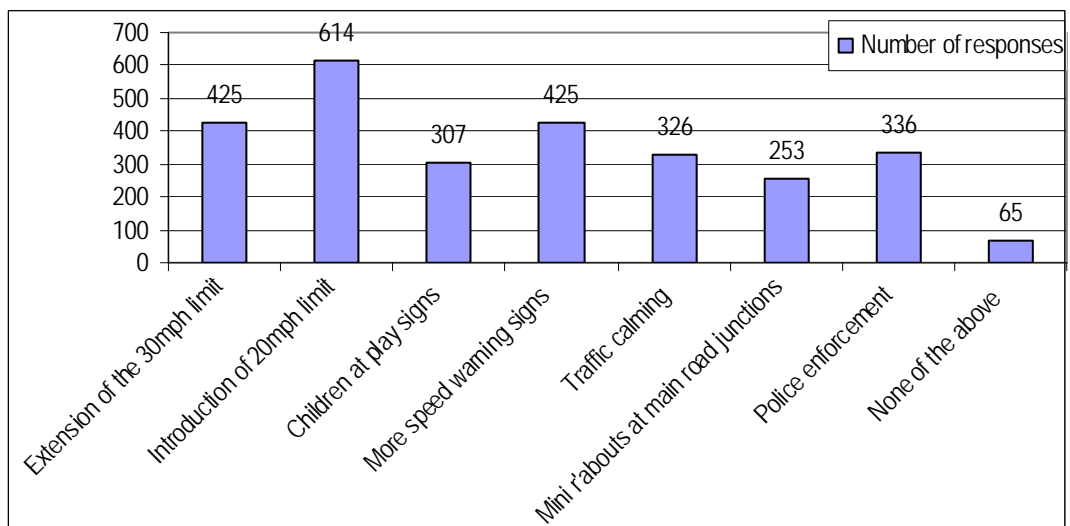
Do you feel in danger from speeding traffic in these areas of Blisworth?



Question:28

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,093

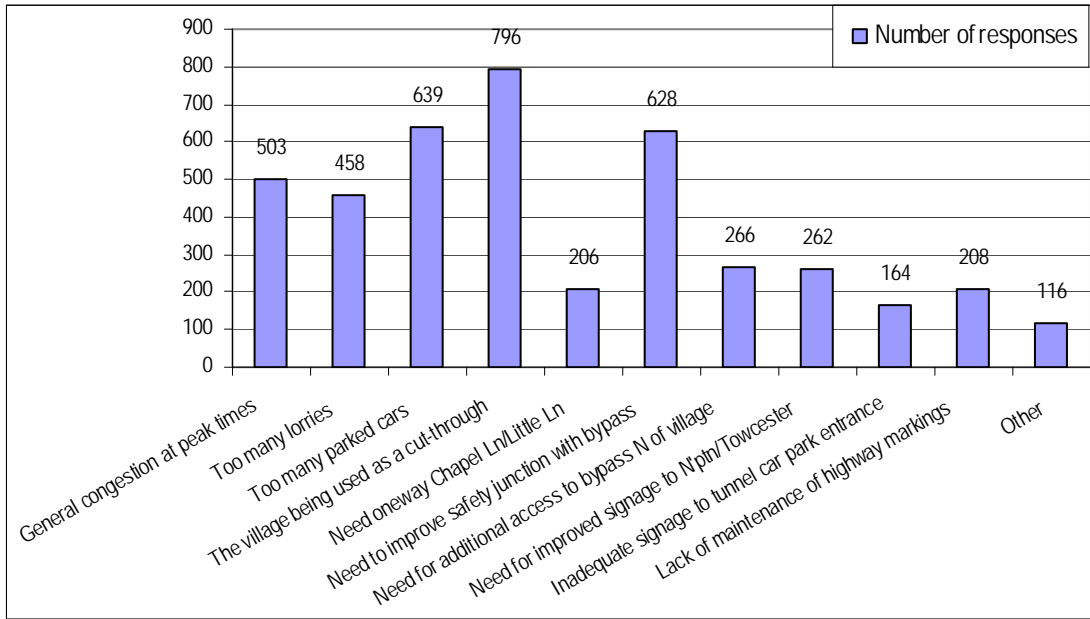
Would you support the following speed control measures in Blisworth?



Question:29

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,118

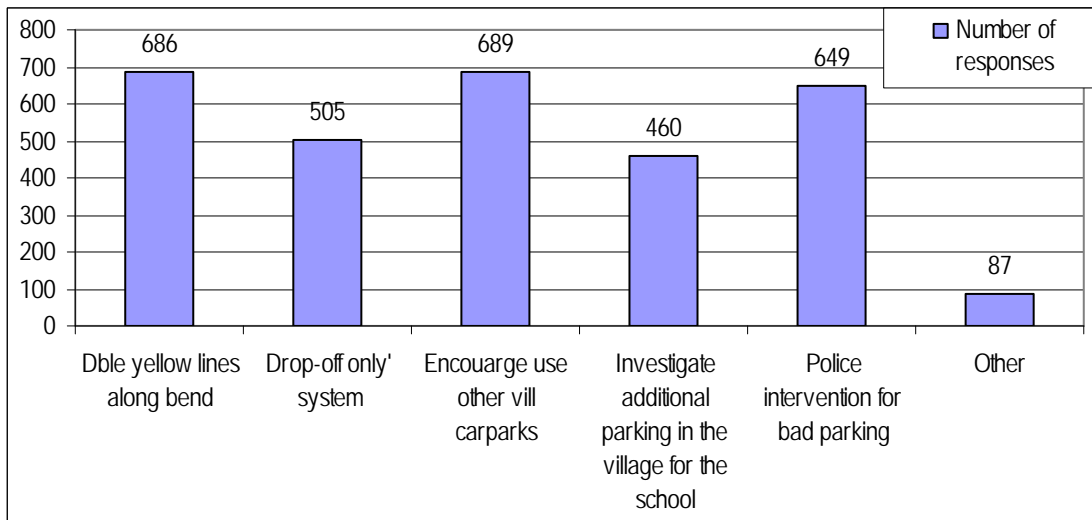
Do you think the traffic problems are related to any of the following?



Question:30

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,077

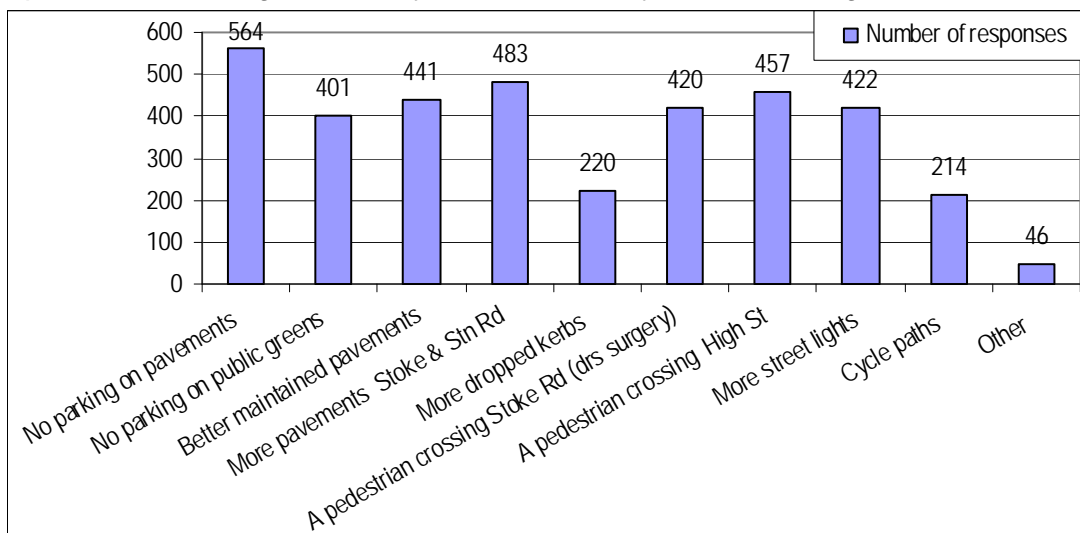
Do you think that issues relating to parking at the school could be eased by the following?



Question:31

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,055

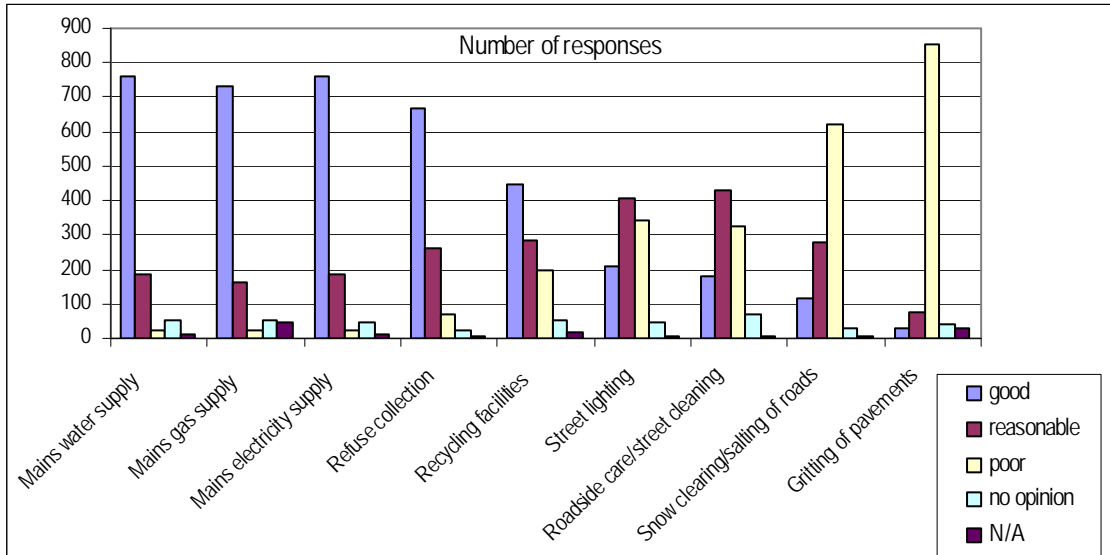
In relation to paths and street lights, would you like to see any of the following?



Question:32

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,093

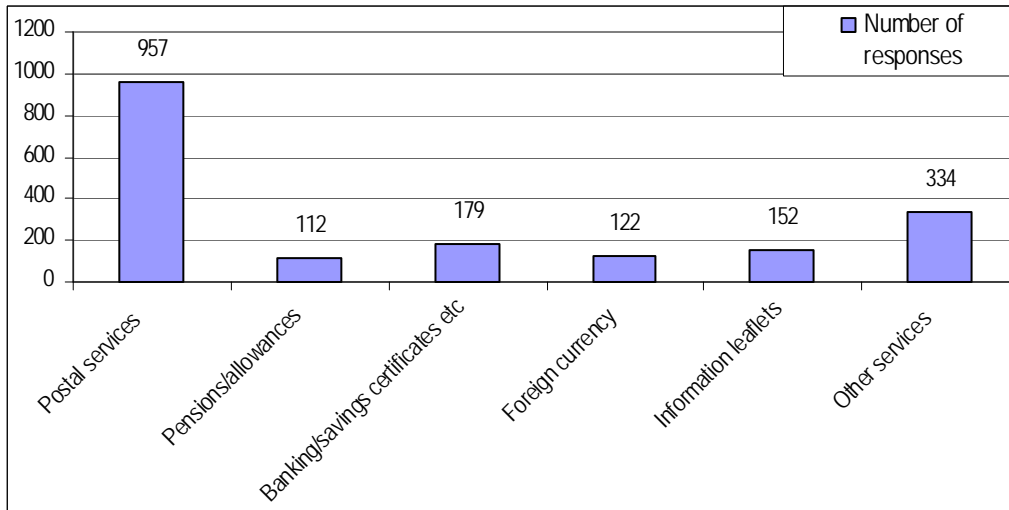
What are your views of the standard of the following environmental services in Blisworth?



Question:33

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,006

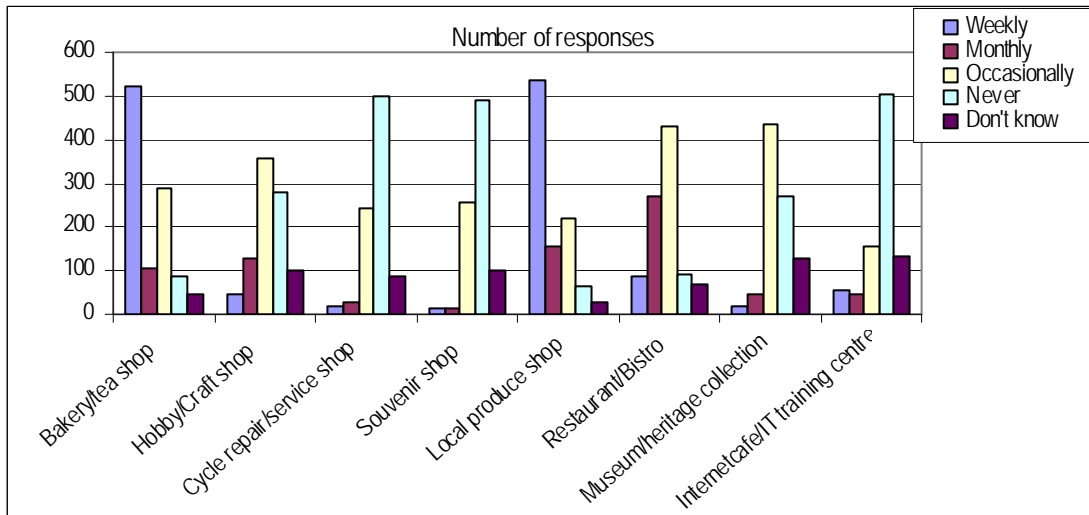
If you use the local Post Office, please say what for.



Question:34

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,095

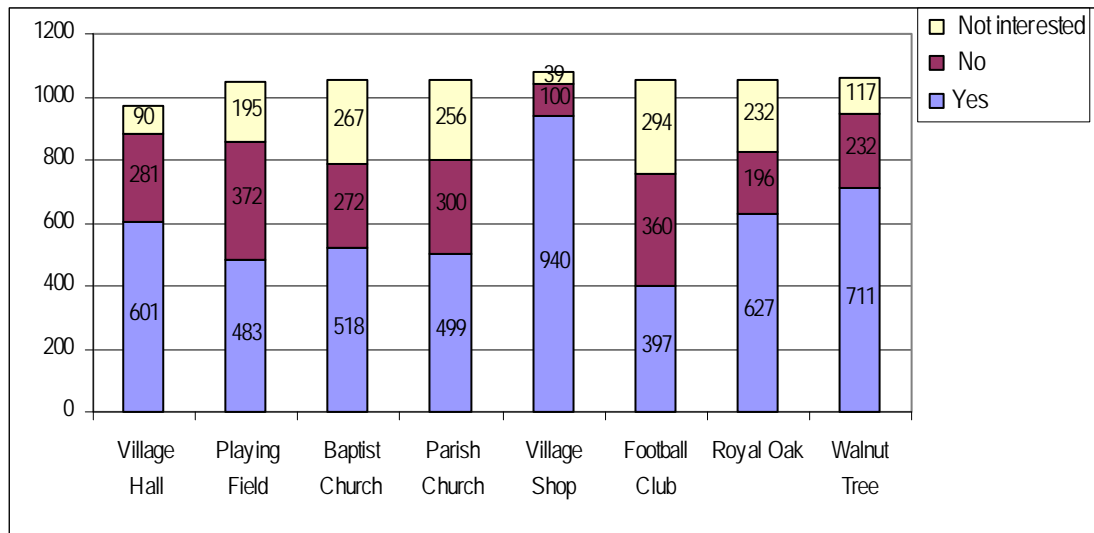
If the following opened in Blisworth how often would you use them?



Question:35

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,107

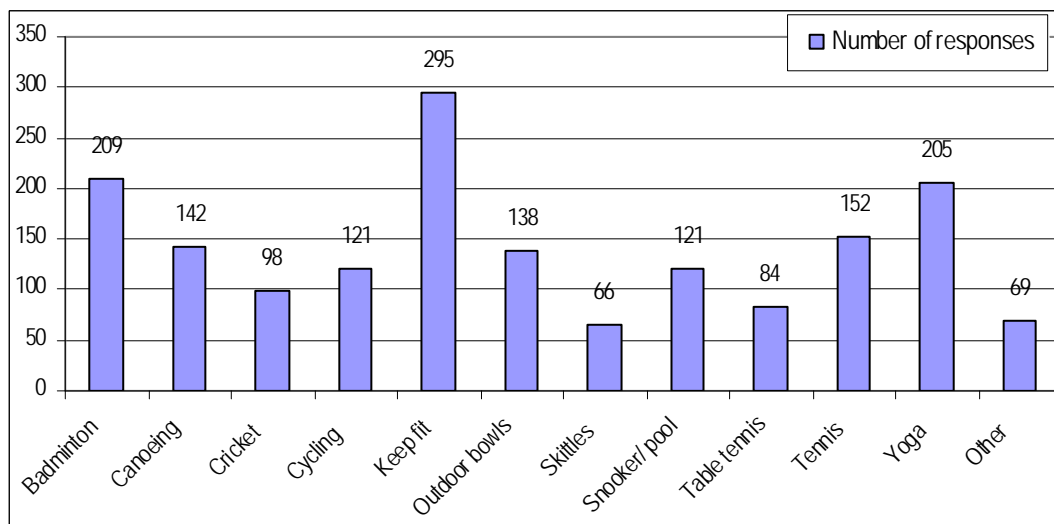
Are you aware of what is on offer at the following places?



Question:36

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 705

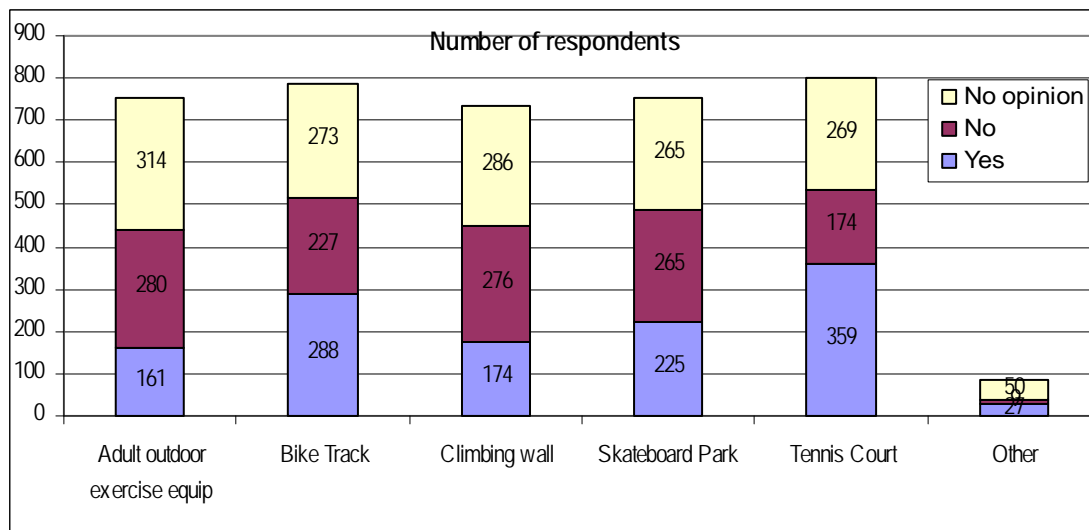
Which new sports clubs/activities would you attend in Blisworth if they were provided?



Question:37

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 932

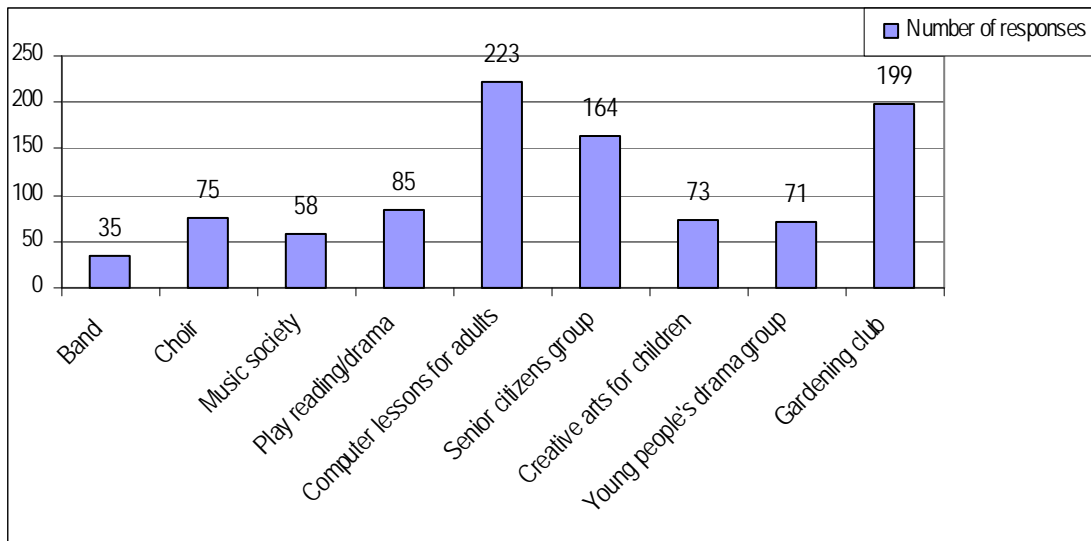
In relation to sports facilities, does Blisworth need any of the following?



Question:38

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 566

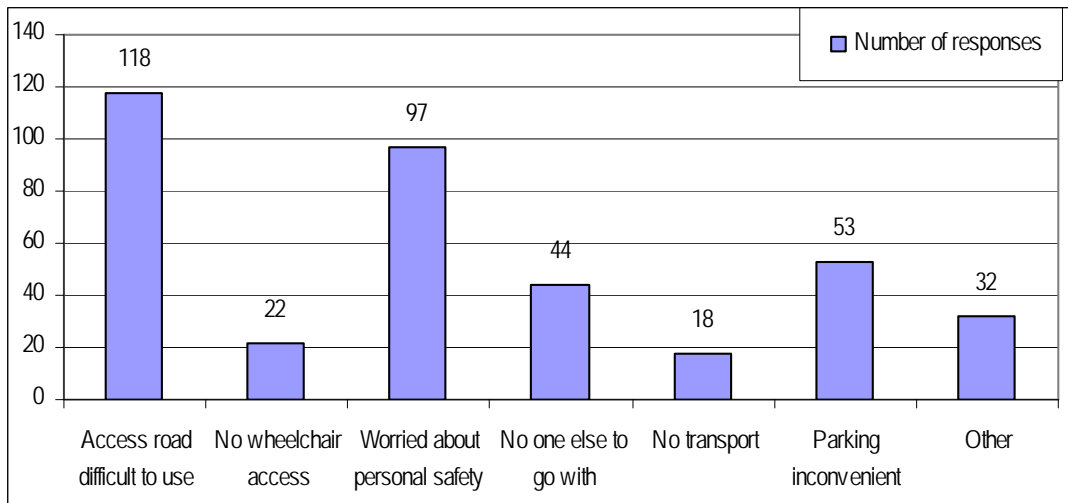
Which new clubs/activities would you attend in Blisworth if they were provided?



Question:39

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 242

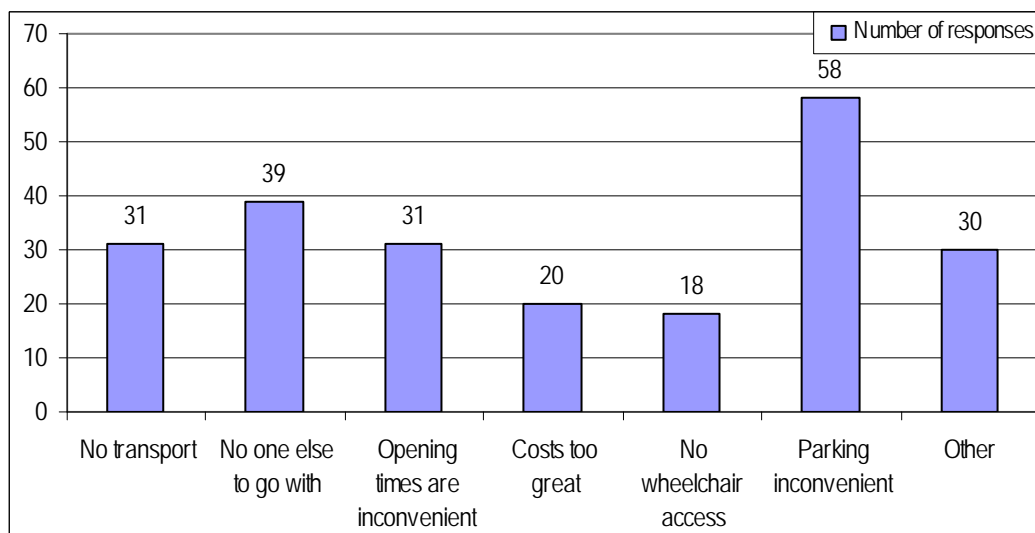
Do you experience any of the following difficulties in getting to events at the Playing Field?



Question:40

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 180

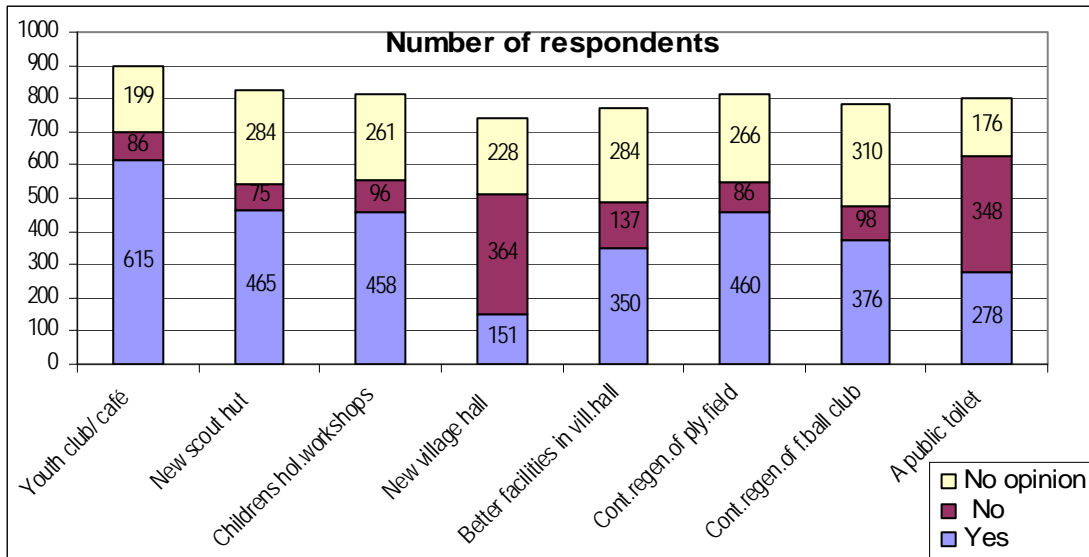
Do you experience any of the following difficulties gaining access to village venues?



Question:41

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,033

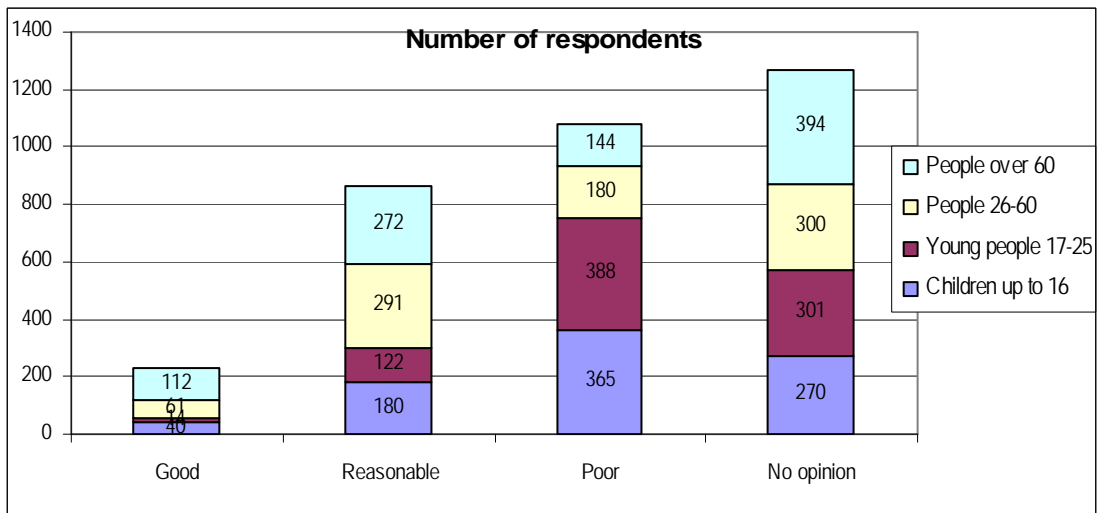
Does Blisworth need any of the following?



Question:42

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,013

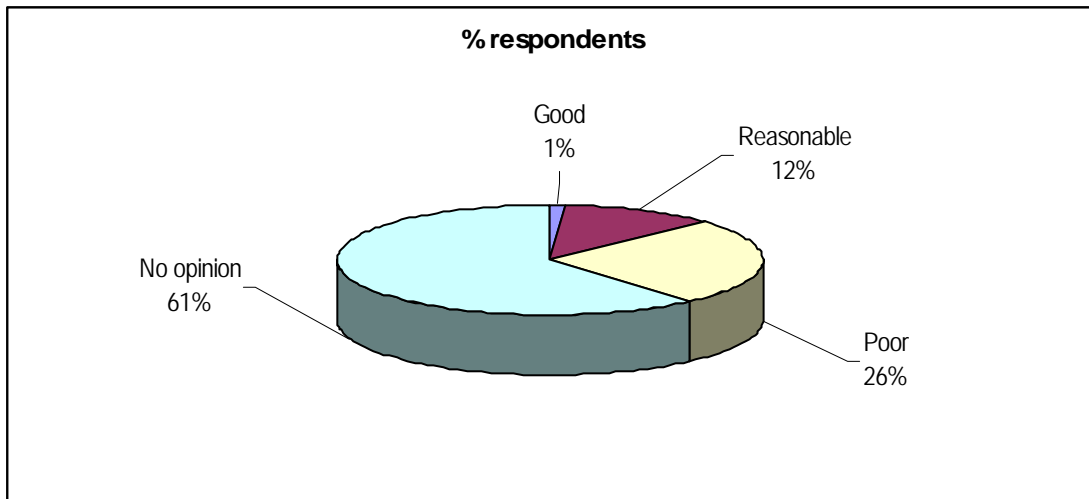
What are your views on local social facilities for the following groups?



Question:43

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,021

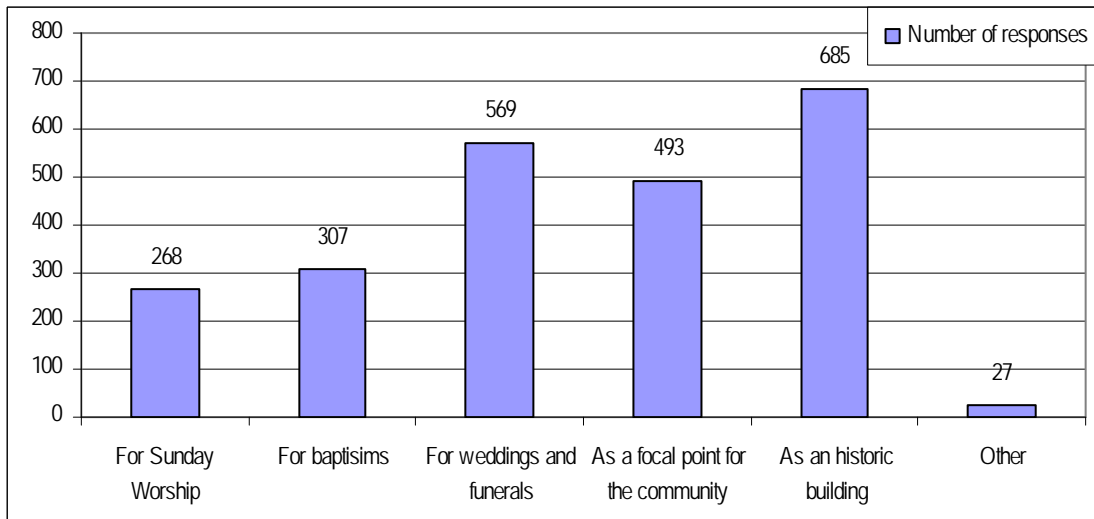
What are your views on local social facilities for people with disabilities?



Question:44

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 918

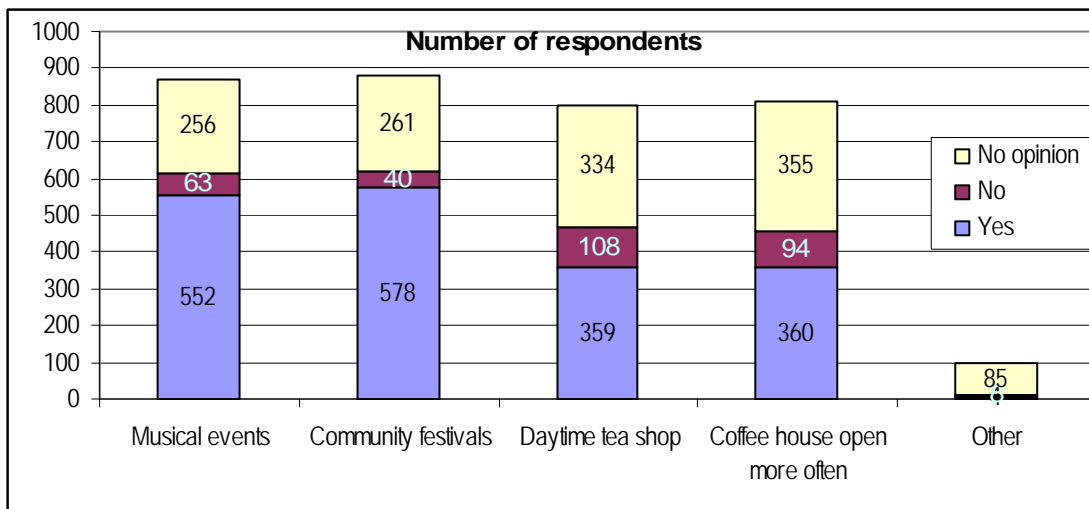
Are the village churches important to you?



Question:45

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 980

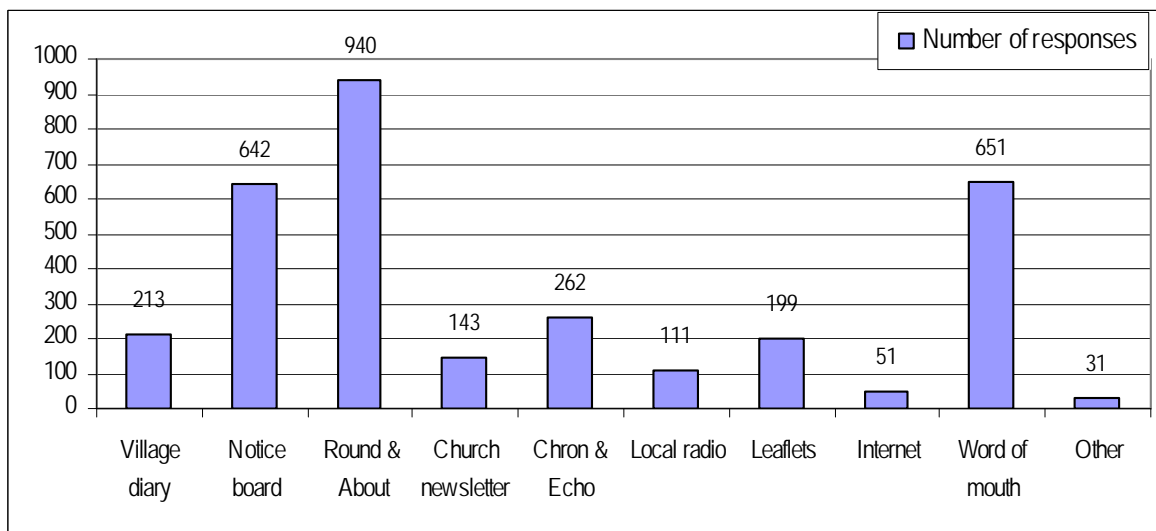
Would you like to see either of the village churches used for the following activities?



Question:46

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,091

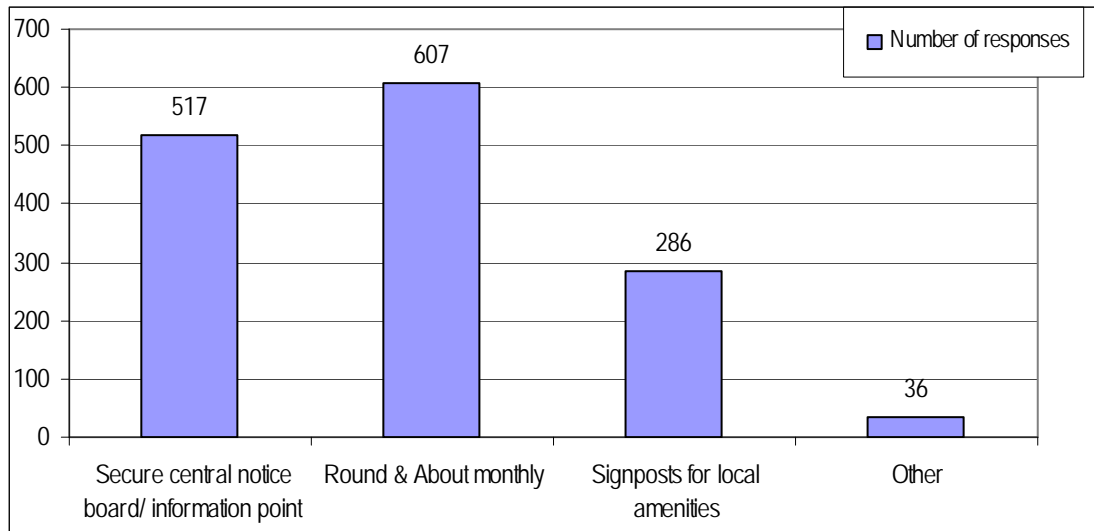
Where do you usually get information about events taking place in Blisworth?



Question:47

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 859

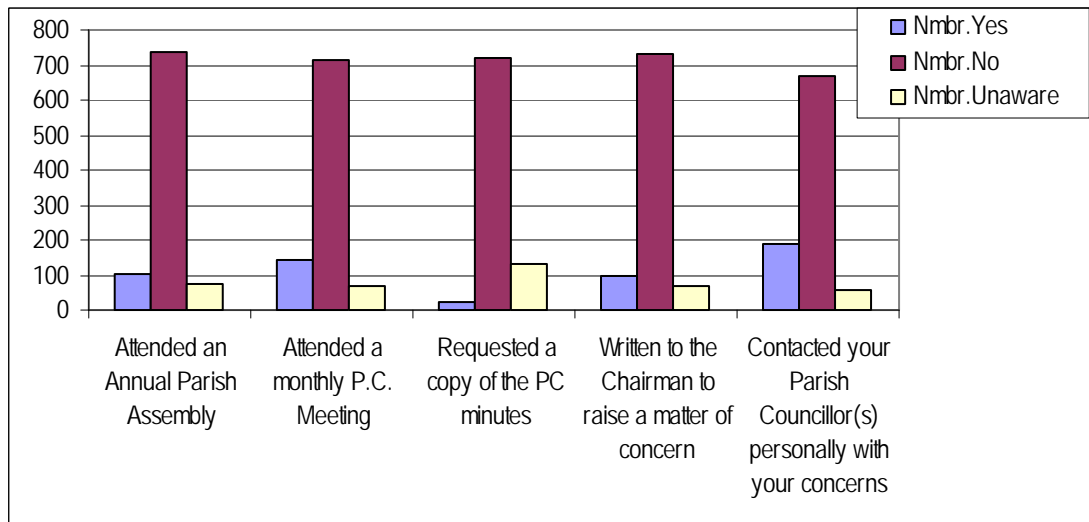
In relation to information services, do you think that Blisworth needs any of the following?



Question:48

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 965

With regard to Blisworth Parish Council have you ever used the following services?



Question:49

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 132

Please tell us if you have any comments or concerns about your Parish Council.

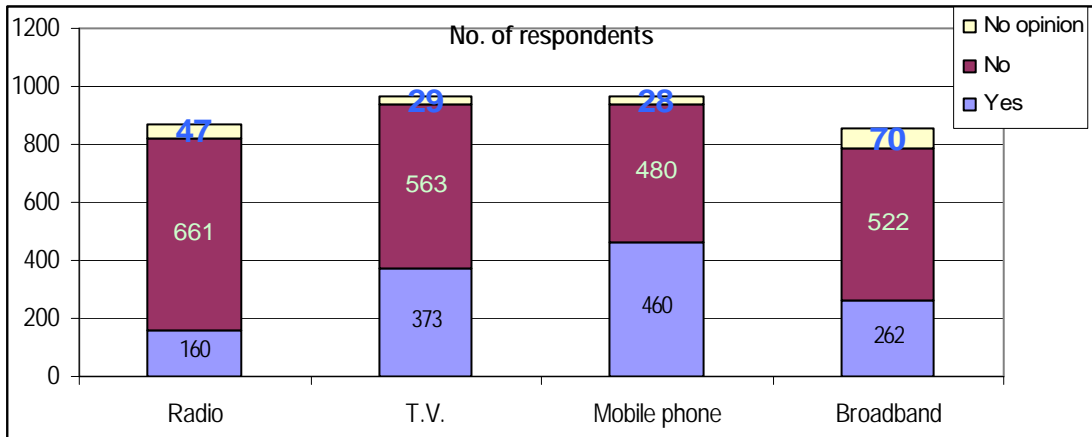
Many of the comments made were similar in context and can be sorted approximately into the following topics:

- Who are they and what do they do?* **30**
- Need new members.* **21**
- Communication* **18**
- Out of touch with village.* **12**
- Criticism of meetings.* **13**
- Lack of power with planning issues.* **16**
- Parking issues.* **8**
- Positive / supportive comments* **14**

Question:50

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,068

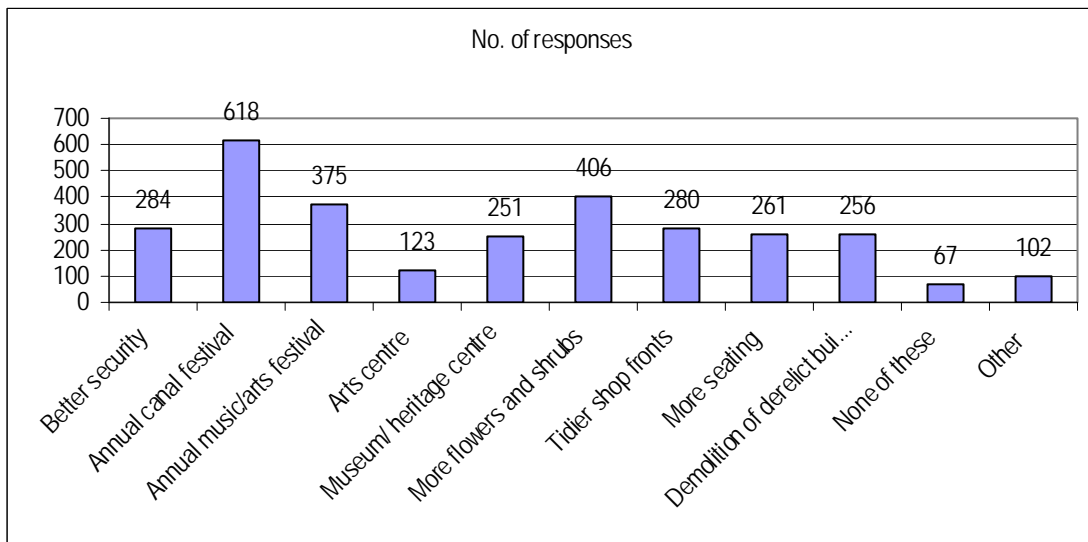
Do you have reception difficulties with these services?



Question:51

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,012

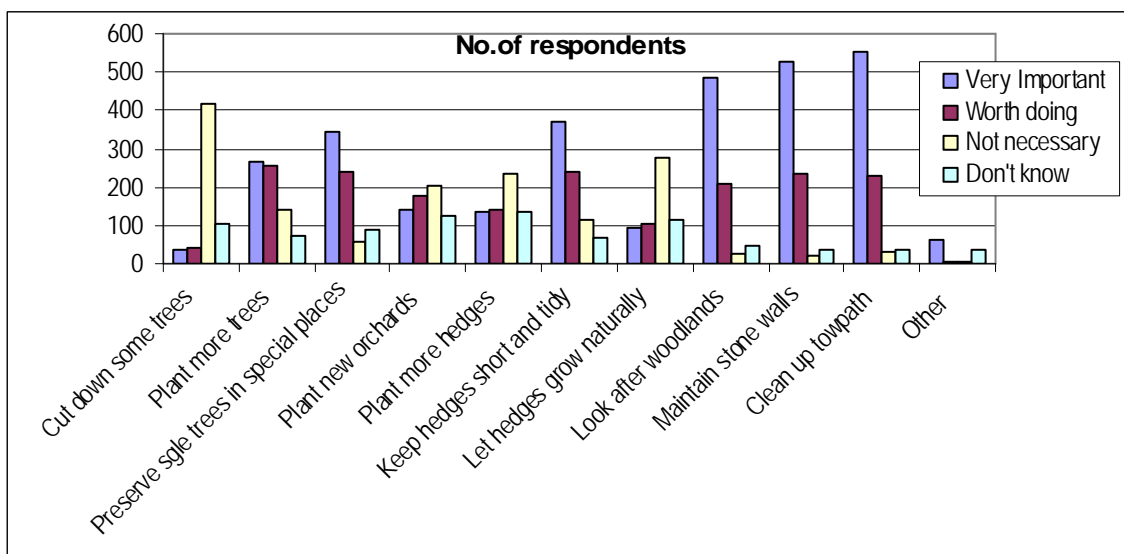
Which of the following do you think would improve Blisworth?



Question:52

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 999

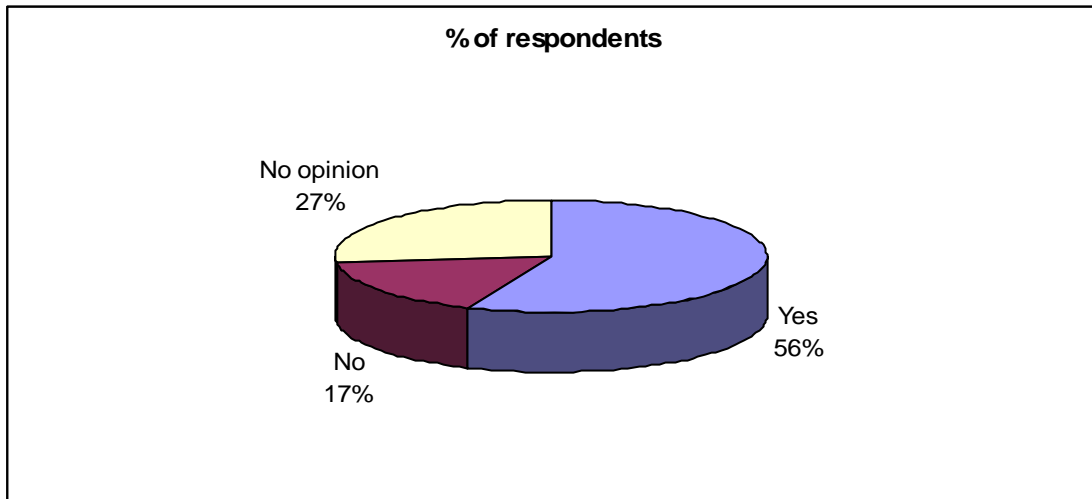
What do you think could be done to improve the environment of Blisworth?



Question:53

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,078

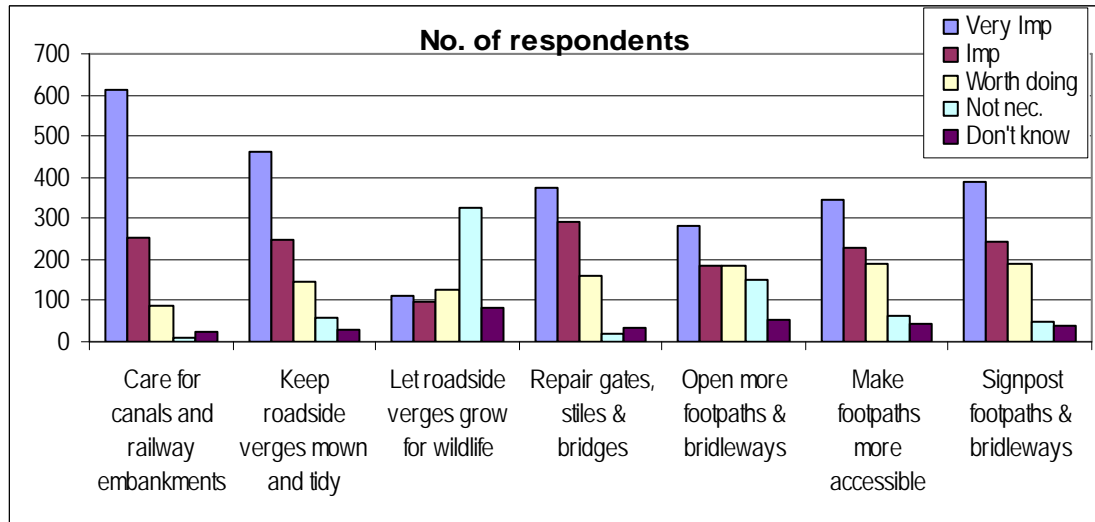
Do you think we should have special Nature Reserves in Blisworth?



Question:54

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,070

What do you think could be done with the local roads, lanes and paths to make the countryside more attractive?



Question:55

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,007

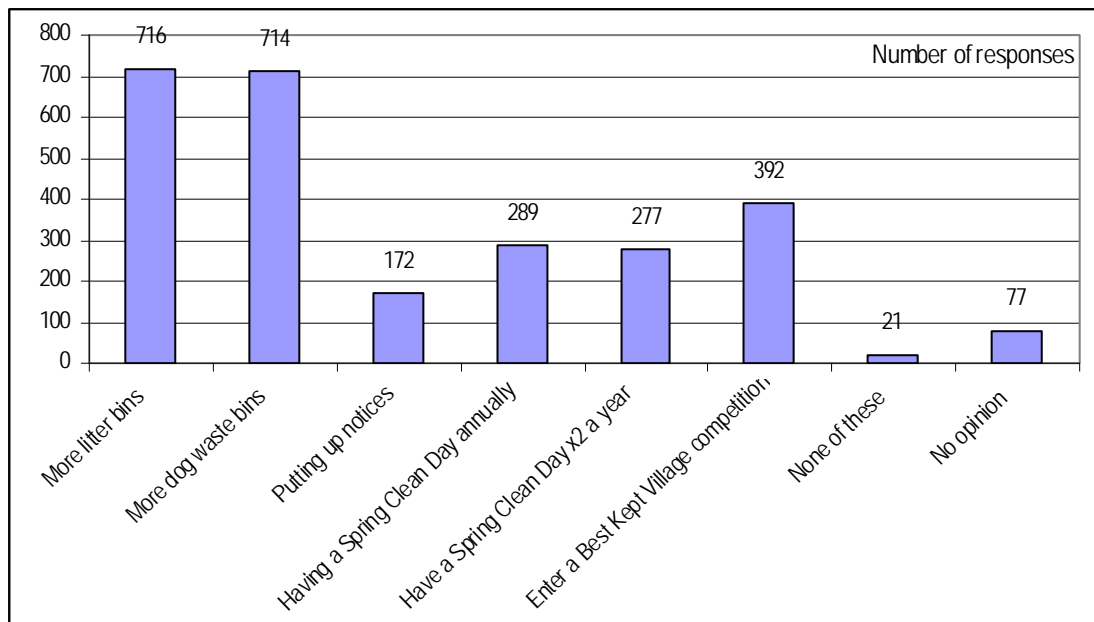
In relation to footpaths and bridleways, would you like to see any of the following?



Question:56

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,055

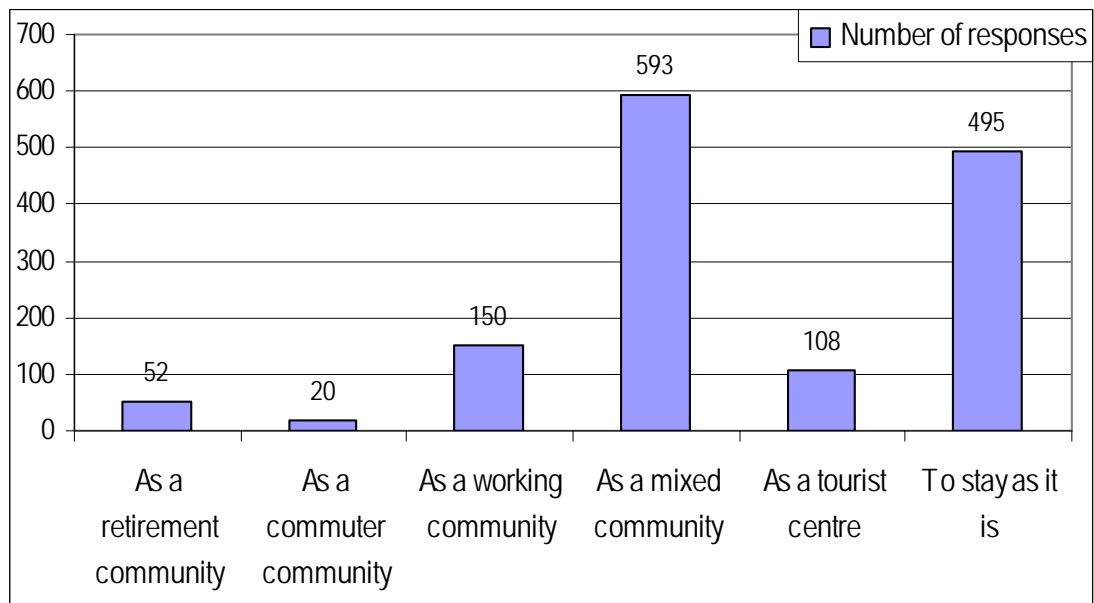
Do you think Blisworth should be kept clean & tidy by?



Question:57

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 1,068

How would you like to see Blisworth develop?



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