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Bretherton Residents' Questionnaire Results October 2022

BRETHERTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN WORKING GROUP

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Introduction

197 responses to the "Bretherton Neighbourhood Plan – Residents' Questionnaire" were received. Here is what was recorded from your responses shown in chart form.

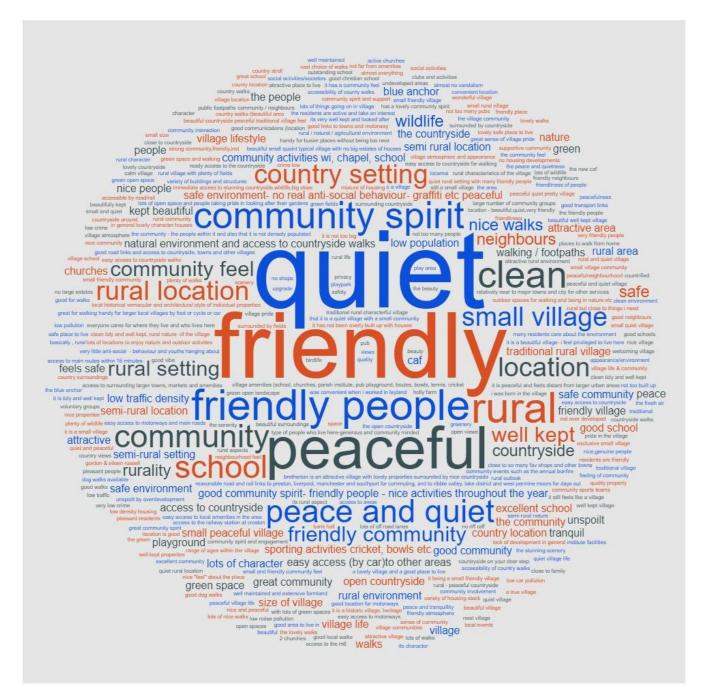
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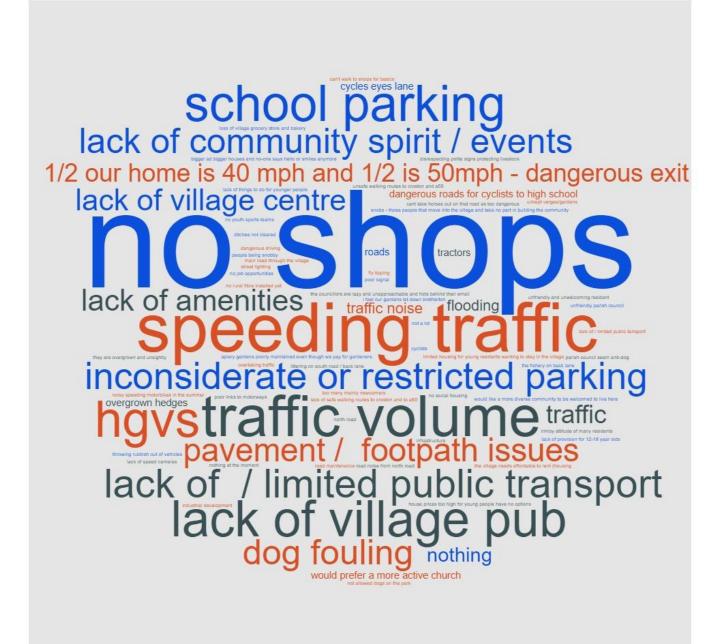
The pie charts show both the counts of responses and the percentage of the total eg for Question 3 the pie chart shows that 12 people were in the 76+ age range, and that this group made up 6% of all responses.

General Questions

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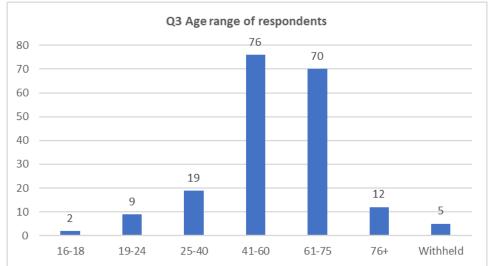


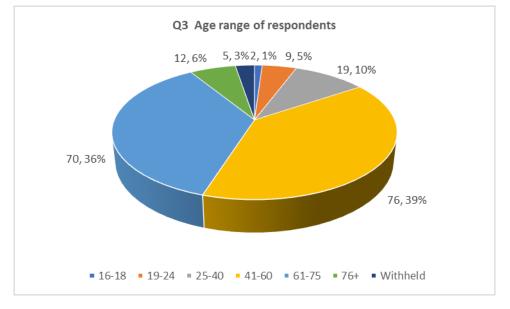
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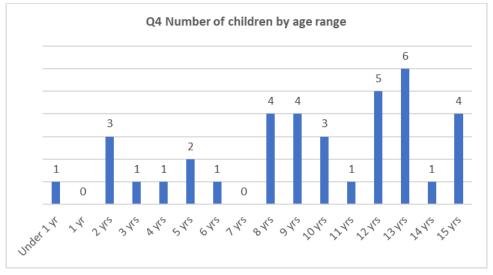
About you:

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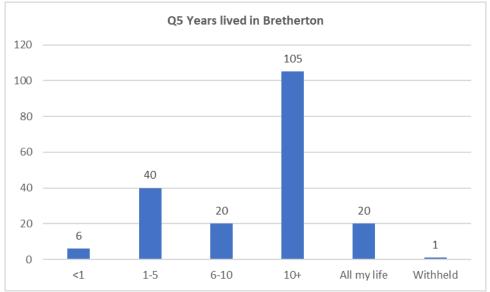


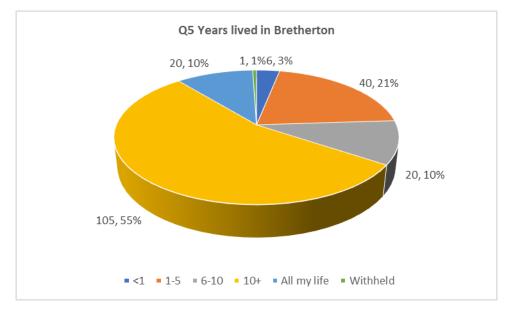
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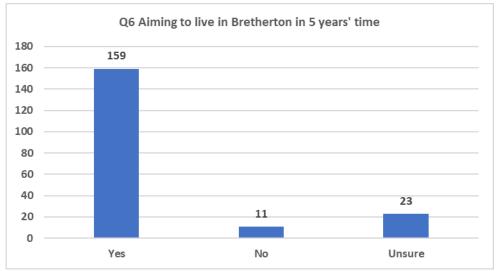
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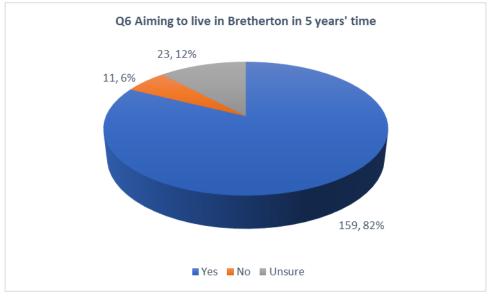




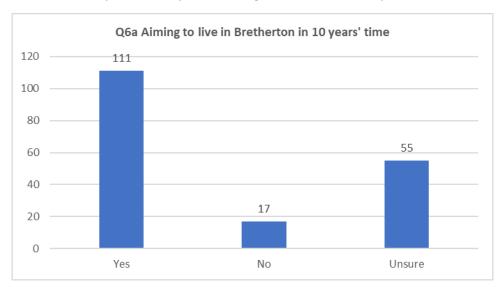
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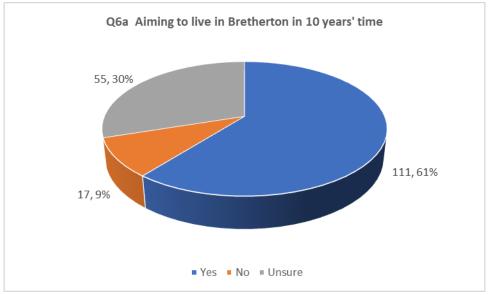


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The responses to Question 6a Do you still see yourself living in Bretherton in 10 years are summarised below





Additional comments are summarised below:

hopefully but not if gets built up i feel for those who cannot afford to buy hopefully. at my age nothing is certain

i plan to live here for the rest of my life hope to retire in spain may not still be driving in 10-15 years time will depend on any health issues, mobility etc s a lovely place to live

would need own transport to remain in bretherton if i'm still alive lack of good public transport, raising issues as i get older

it depends on energy costs and need to downsize prematurely as long as possible in 10 years time may need different accommodation though currently living with parents we chose to live here in 2013 with a view to long-term retirement love the village

depends on future over-development

family live 1 hour or more drive away and i may need to move nearer to them

at some point our house will be too large for us after our adult children leave home depends on whether housing built - as no infrastructure improved eg sewers, health care and traffic i am currently studying at university & i am planning to move my permanent address after i finish my course one my child goes to university i will look for somewhere to live where i can walk to a gub/ restaurant/bar/shoe to and where there is stuff coing on

family connection also a factor in coming to bretherton

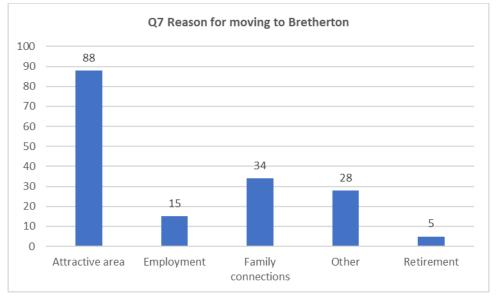
i would love to but i am renting now and property prices are very high in bretherton it will depend on health and mobility and ability to drive and maintain our garden driving ability and ability to maintain house and garden will affect my decision who knows where life takes you but no intentions to move at the moment

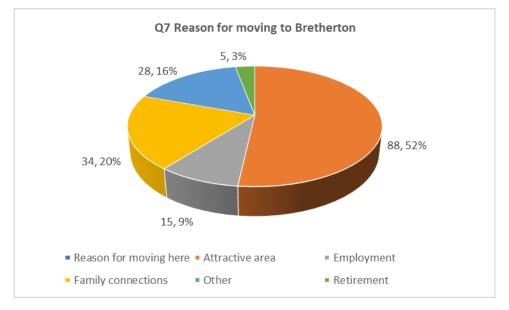
hopefully will end my days here i hope so

until i die here for life i like the area but a young adult i would prefer to life in the city as i get older may need to downsize to a village with shops etc if no facilities supplied no i am nearing retirement and plan to stay in bretherton set up my family home here would not like to be dependent in bretherton unless decide to downsize i am fortunate enough to own my own home retired here for the quiet peaceful location due to my age may need care and help

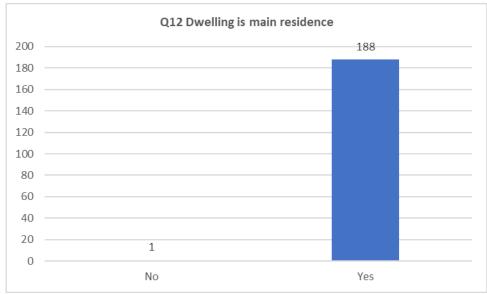
if nothing disturbs the peace and quiet i will not afford a house of my own here overall a wonderful place to live

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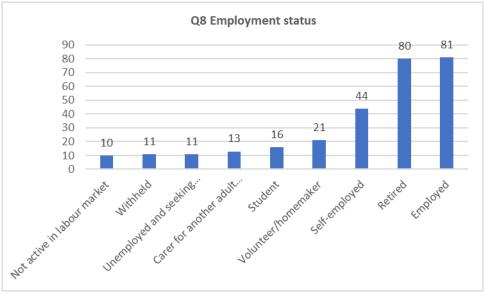


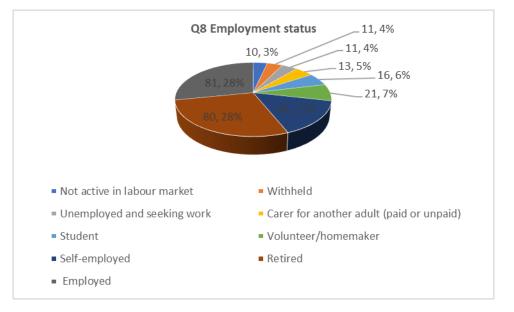




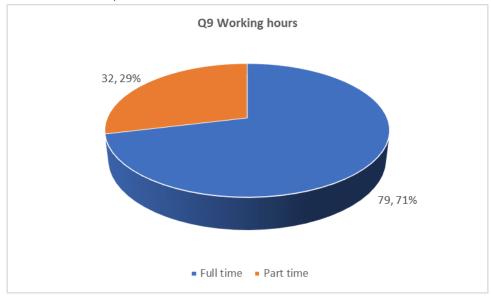
Employment

Question 8 Employment status

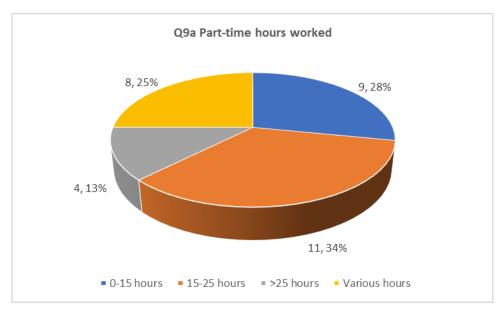




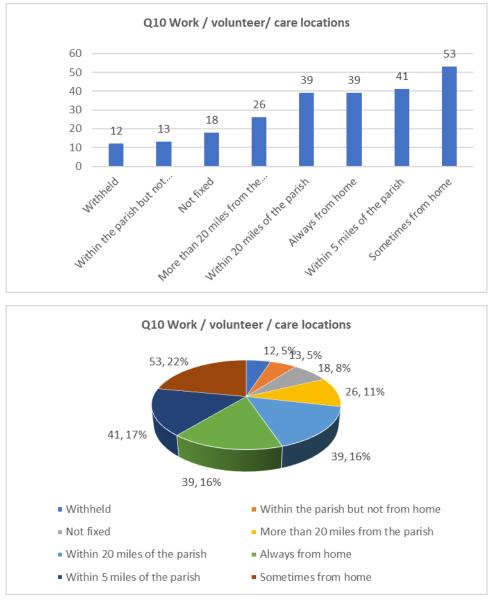
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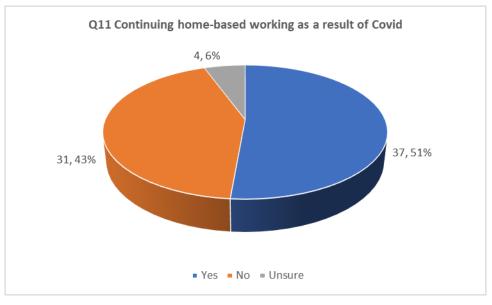
Bretherton Residents' Questionnaire Results October 2022 32 respondents work part-time with their hours worked summarised below:



Question 10 Where do you work / volunteer / care?



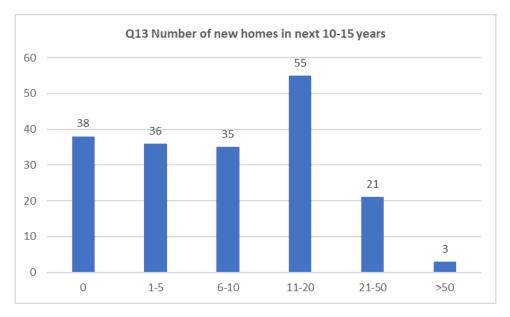
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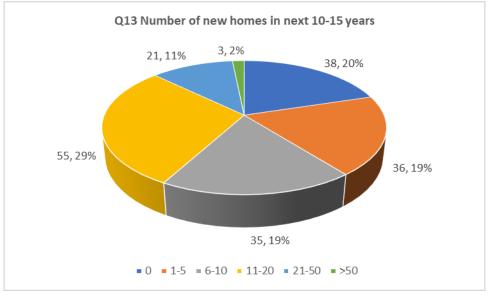


Planning and Development

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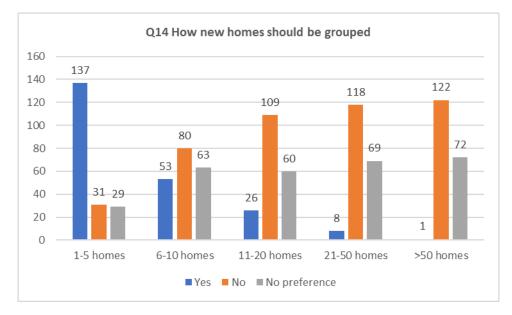
188 respondents commented on the number of new homes. Nearly 80% thought new homes should be built in Bretherton broken down as follows:



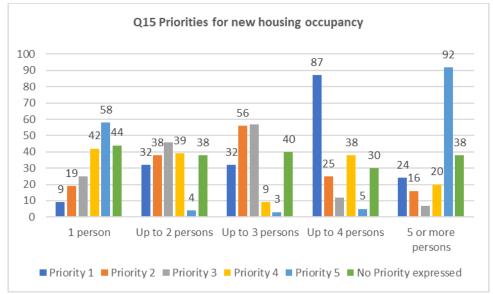


Question 14 if there was to be new housing in Bretherton how should they be grouped?

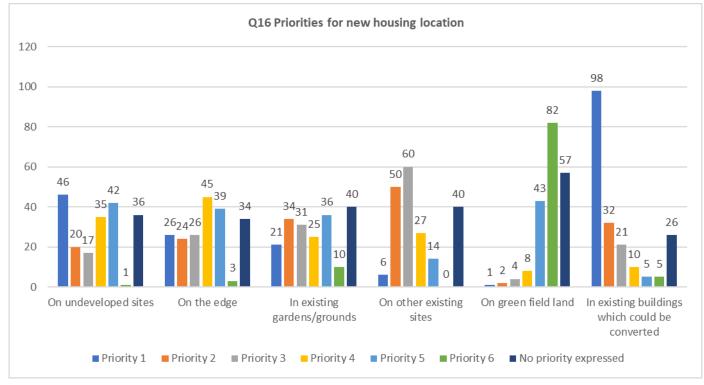
Respondents were asked to express "Yes" or "No" for each housing size group eg Yes to groups of 1-5 homes, No to groups of >50 homes etc. The responses are summarised here:



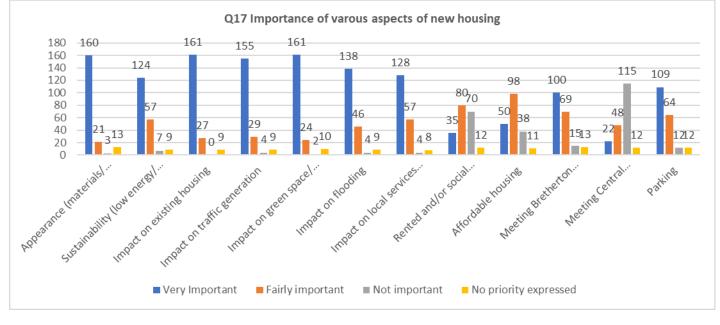
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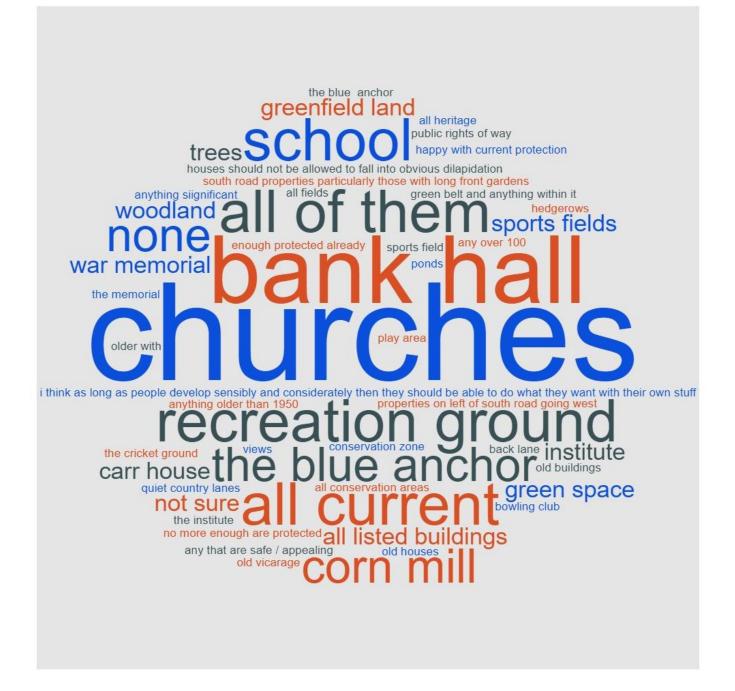
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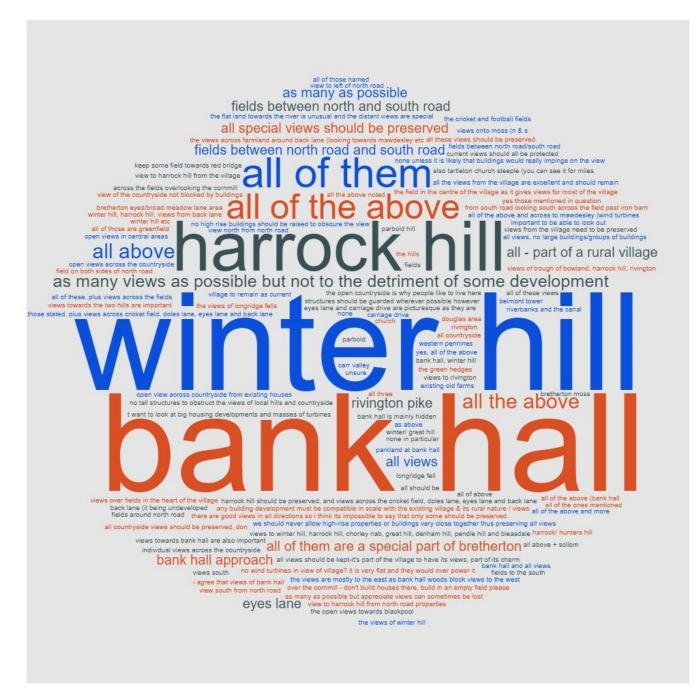
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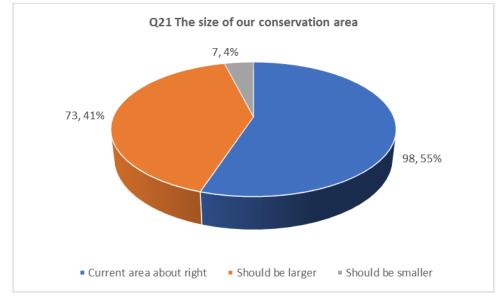
And why?



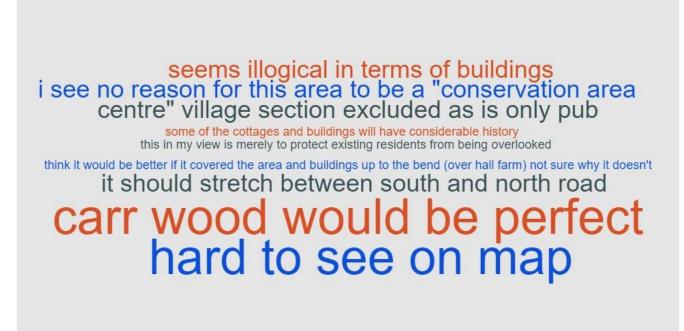
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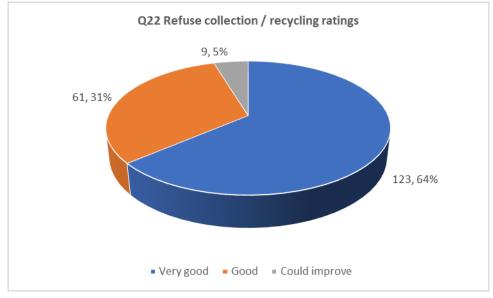


Additional comments included



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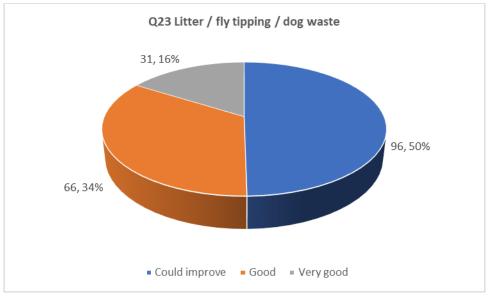




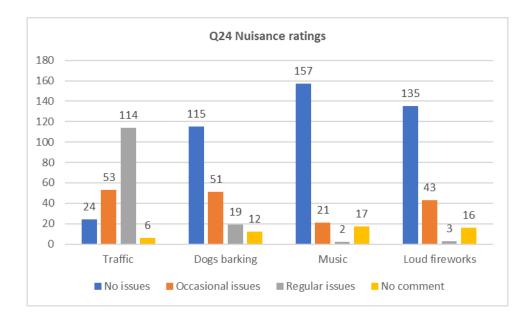
Comments / suggestions for improvement

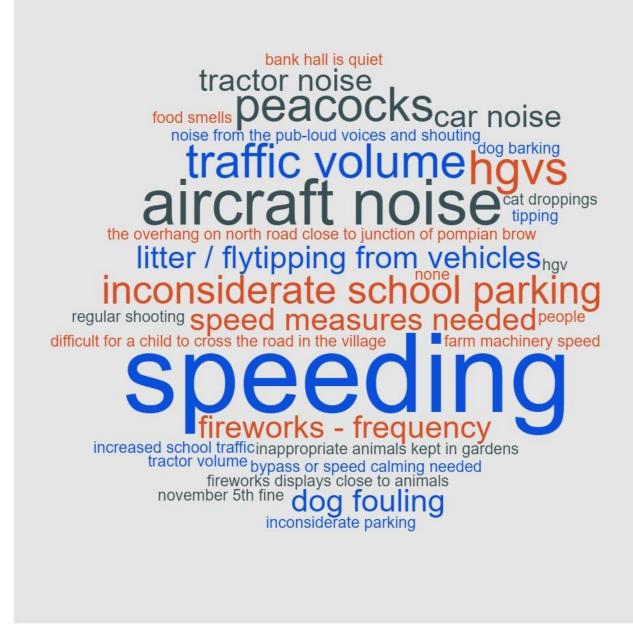
start food waste collection more litter bins more village clean up days works well thanks to chorley bc more bins neededtake more care with broken glass good bin collections red bridge bin sometimes gets left behind they collect every week including bank holidays much valued and efficient overall from chorley refuse collection good more cardboard collections litter dropping / fly tipping still a problem empty more often in summer recycling should be top priority; recycling should be top priority start compostable waste recycling; start fabric recycling we get very good service compared to elsewhere start tetrapak recycling village collection bin excellent - keep it up quite adequate on several occasions our bins go missing start community garden waste recycling very happy with this bins are always returned neatly improve dog waste collection clean due to local litter pickers return bins to right place council tip very accessible

Question 23 Please assess litter / fly tipping / dog waste



Question 24 Nuisance

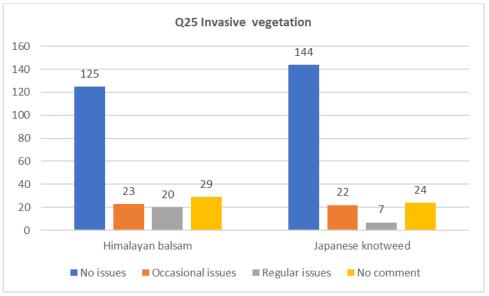


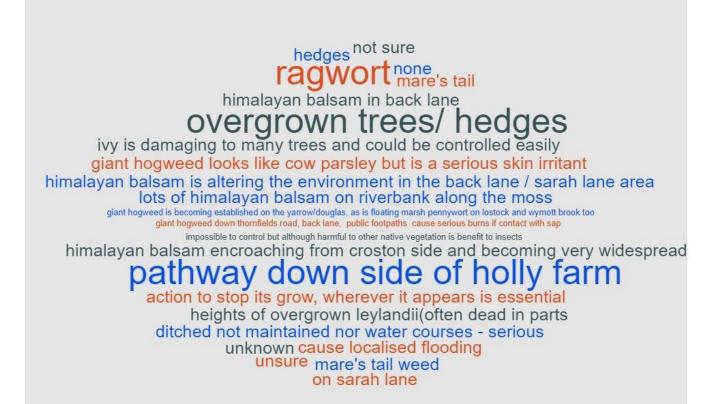


Any comments that could ease issues that you have identified

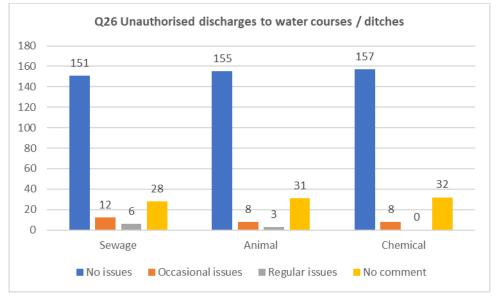


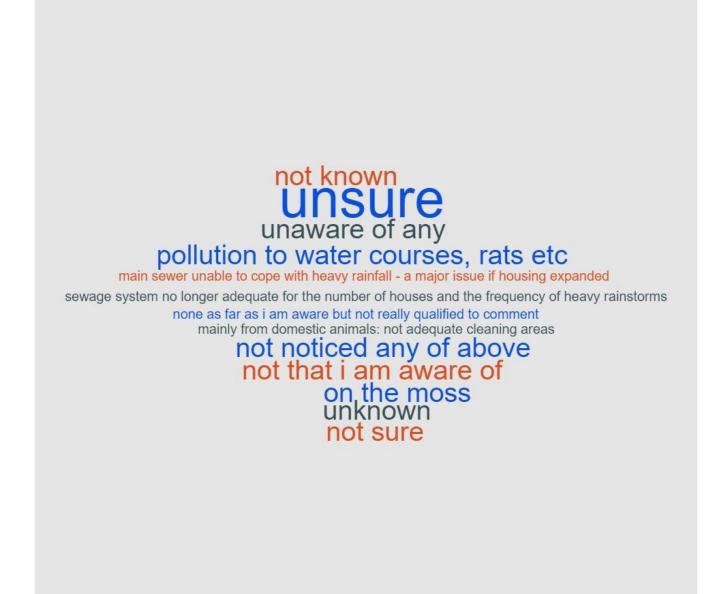
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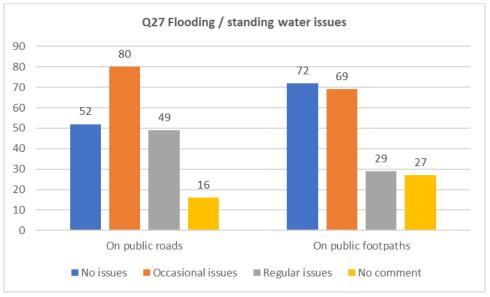


Question 26 Problems with unauthorised discharges to water courses / ditches



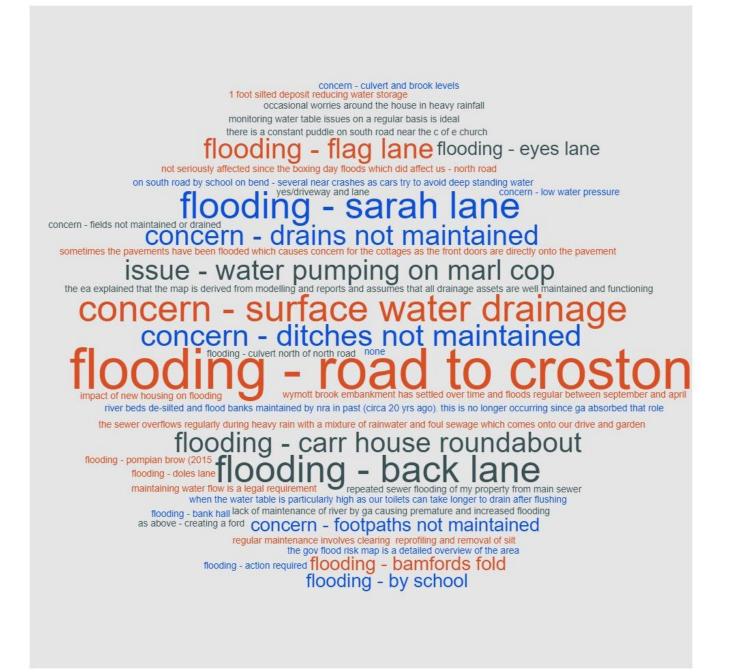


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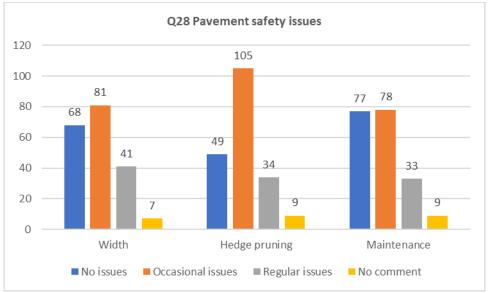


road out of bretherton to croston property grounds regularly flood paths off eyes lane flood quite often footway between 95 and 97 south road ditches around the village need clearing the road to croston occasionally floods ditches not regularly (?) drained lane saran the road into croston floods badly flag lane between s bends and ardlea (mid-point by the school on road sarah lane / back lane flooding during wet periods road drain at "old school" keeps blocking and flooding EYES IANE sarah lane often floods as does flag lane into croston south view south road, corner near school^{with heavy rainfall} water gathers at the entrance into bamfords fold in bad weather the long straight road that goes past ardlea on flag (lane) rain floods sarah lane needs some work to prevent the flooding causing damage too many ditches have been filled in or are allowed to become overgrown when ducted pipes are too narrow. hard standing at house and extra properties have exacerbated situation agricultural land floods over 15 acres regular of prime arable land due to ea neglect to wymott banking outside my property road camber is incorrect, water drains to my driveway after heavy rainfall the bottom of north road always has large puddles road to croston occasionally under water after heavy rain on south road, drainage most footpaths get muddy but it is not really a problem on the connecting road between croston and bretherton road between croston and bretherton - but passable muddy footpaths particularly on corner of north road/carr house lane regular flooding on road by ardlea / fishing ponds around south view heading away from village public footpaths sarah lane is liable to flooding junction of bamfords fold and south road ack lane north road/ carr house junction flooding at end of north road field and road prior to the croston bridge specifically the corner near the school junction bamfords fold - south road overflowing drain floods garden

Any comments concerning these or other water issues, particularly if you have been affected by localised flooding around Bretherton



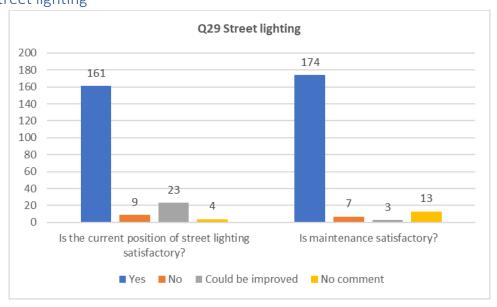
Question 28 Are pavements within the village safe?



How can these be improved?

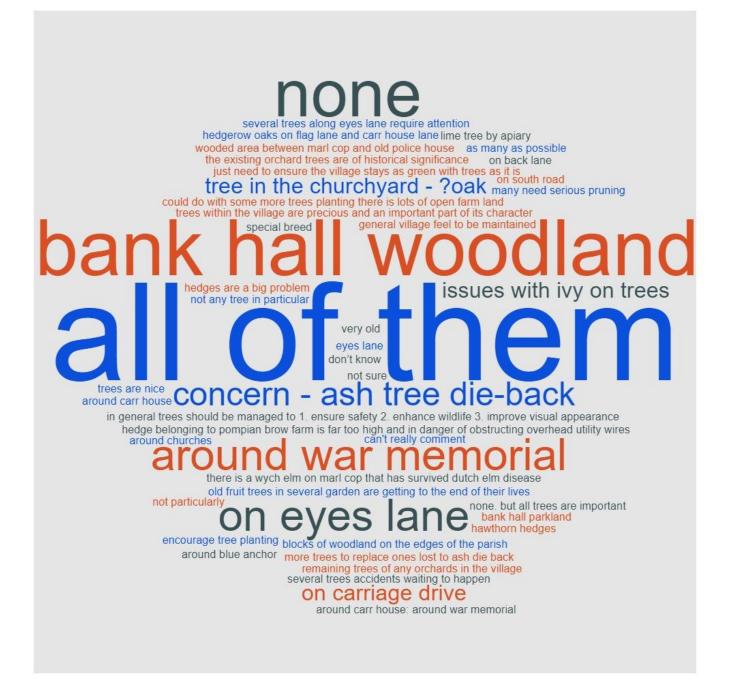


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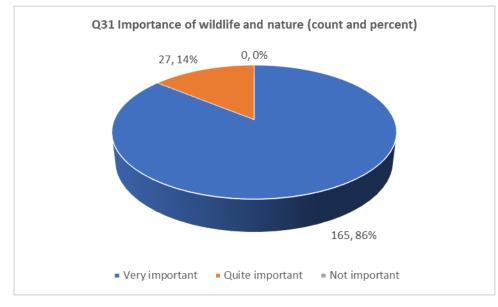


overgrown hedges and trees visibility can be obscured at night new lighting does not give off much light no lighting on large bends around rural roads its dark in winter but we are a rural village and don eyes lane has few " street " lights - totally unsatisfactory led lighting does not give off adequate pavement illumination footpath to croston is unlit, unsafe for children walking to high school not safe to walk from the other end of the village to croston except in daylight lighting should be switched off at 12.30 (energy saving) and also to allow star gazing lights could be positioned to cast more light towards the ground rather than skywards several light have the "lantern" obscured by trees preventing light falling onto the footway impacts on times i would feel safe going out eg vehicles not seeing me as it goes dark (as a runner lights should be switched to solar to lower energy use for local taxpayer even if part solar/part mains improve lighting routes to croston to encourage people to walk to amenities especially in winter we are a rural village and as such don't need the lights they have on suburban estates low light levels on north road make passage in the dark impractical without a torch sufficient street lighting but in some places the light is restricted by hedges etc north road - street lighting is insufficient especially in the 40 mph zone lighting not strong enough to make walking safe in the dark lighting could be switched off at 12.30 a.m to save energy from carriage drive to red bridge there is one lamp no street lights between croston and bretherton street lighting not necessary in many areas it is not safe to walk from the war memorial to the a59 street lighting ends abruptly t want too bright lights

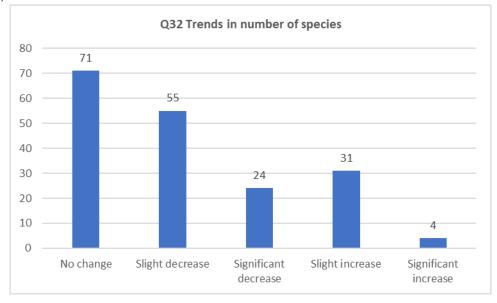
Question 30 Trees – are there trees that you feel are important in Bretherton and need preserving and / or need some attention?

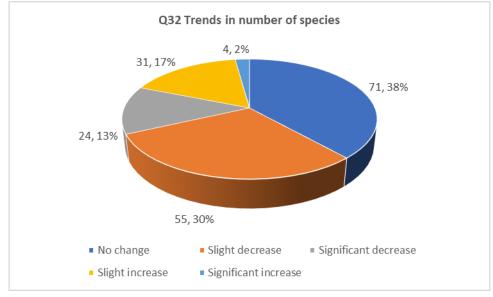


Question 31 Wildlife and landscape – how important is the presence of wildlife and nature to your quality of life in Bretherton?



Question 32 Increase / decrease in the number and variety of species you have seen in your garden or more widely in Bretherton

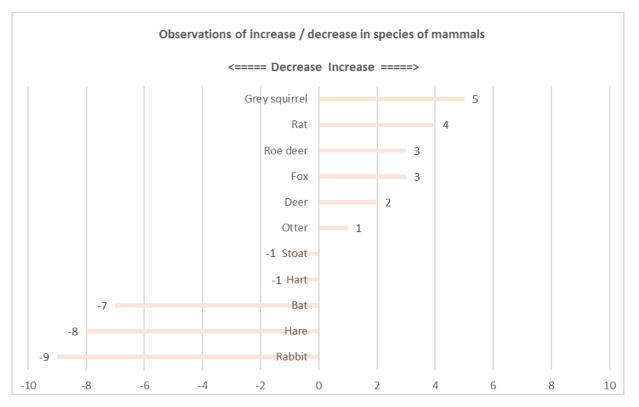




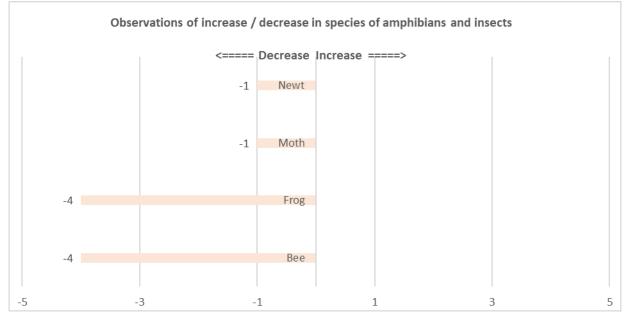
Question 33 Have you noticed any increase or decrease in the presence or number of a particular species in the parish?

Respondents noted whether they had observed an increase or decrease in species – they were not asked to count animal or plant numbers, just to record the trend (decrease or increase) that they noticed.

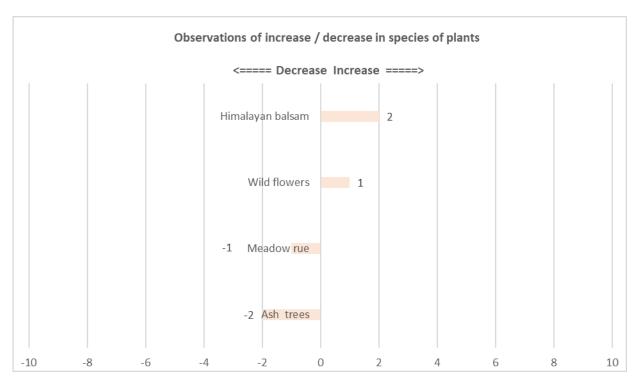
Trends in mammals: A marked decrease in hedgehogs was observed (43 respondents observed a decrease, five respondents observed an increase).



Trends in amphibians and insects: A marked decrease in butterflies was observed (24 respondents observed a decrease, four respondents observed an increase).



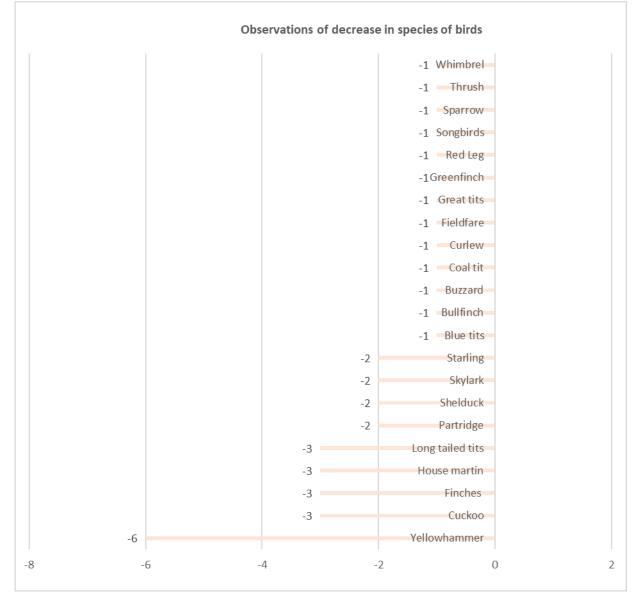
Trends in plants

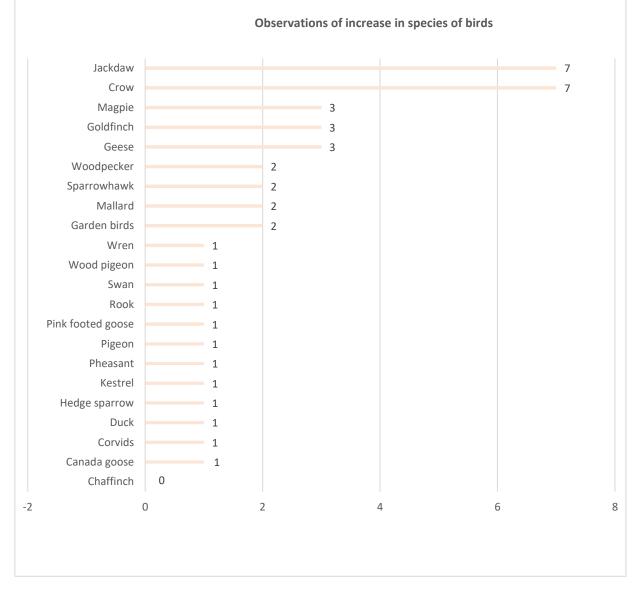


Trends in birds: A marked decrease in some species was observed:

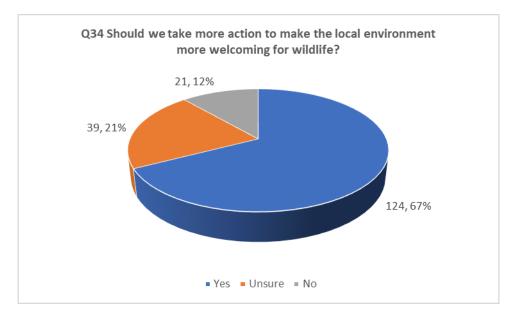
Species	Observers recording a decrease	Observers recording an increase
Lapwing	12	1
Owl	36	8
Swallow	11	1

Respondents recorded trends in many bird species. The results have been split between net decrease and net increase charts:

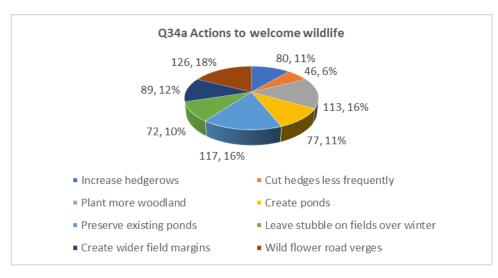




Question 34 Do you think our community needs to take more action to make the local community more welcoming to wildlife?



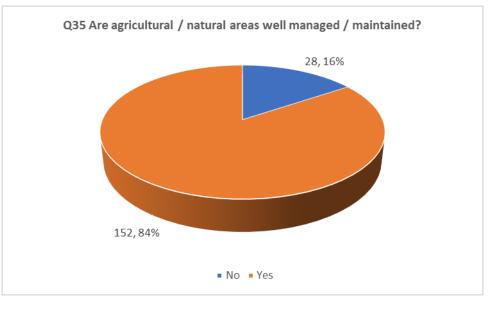
And if yes, what would you like to see happen?



Other suggestions

more wild flower areas for wildlife stop pet cats catching songbirds the rat problem needs looking into ditches clean regularly leave logs to rot down to provide habitats planting sunflowers for the finches as per 2021 field margins and footpaths need to be looked at extension of ga scheme most of the above are beyond community control none public footpaths maintained and easily accessible encouraging to feed birds but ensure hedges, verges etc do not become dangerous no-mow movement bat boxes lay hedges correctly instead of slashing them with tractors reinstate old ponds bug hotels consider how disabled friendly we are on our public footpaths safety must be paramount cut hedges less frequently as long as they are not obstructing pavements bird boxes community environmental projects in collaboration with local farms and business planting of new woodland can have an adverse rather than a positive effect if planted inappropriately at this time we need food and we should seek to jointly work to protect the wildlife and continue to grow food encourage hedges on boundaries to residential properties as they are attractive, permeable for hedgehogs, and can be cut to a suitable height hedges that create problems for footpath, prow and bridleway can be cut back at any time of the year including garden hedges and trees in the fields up to red bridge there a re verv few h ground-nesting birds and wintering pink-footed geese/whooper swans can be displaced through ill-considered planting schemes initiatives such as wildflower road verge designation fail after a very few years through poor communication or record keeping increased use / encouragement of government general licence for control of vermin and non-native species do not dig up trees, hedgerows, fill in ponds to make bigger fields and so people can have a big lawn an ideal site is down eyes lane approaching the river which is generally flooded more ponds i'd support anything that would help or advice we can take forward ourselves clean out ditches ban on pesticides protect their habitat in particular create wetland areas plant wild flowers everywhere more dogs to be kept on leads whilst walking footpaths ban hunting as scares wildlife encourage vermin control eg gamekeeper operations stick to the footpaths no third prison destroying/reducing greenbelt land bird hide more help / protection of bees links to community gardens and linked projects chemical-free farming methods make residents aware that they can contribute organic fertilizers only enforce land lying fallow every few years wild flowers please more protection of bees - maybe hive e more protection of bees - maybe hives hedgehog homes around the village we should take better care of where we live think it is about right amenity bird hide - around back lane area

Question 35 Based on your experience are the agricultural areas and / or natural areas being well managed and maintained?



Comments

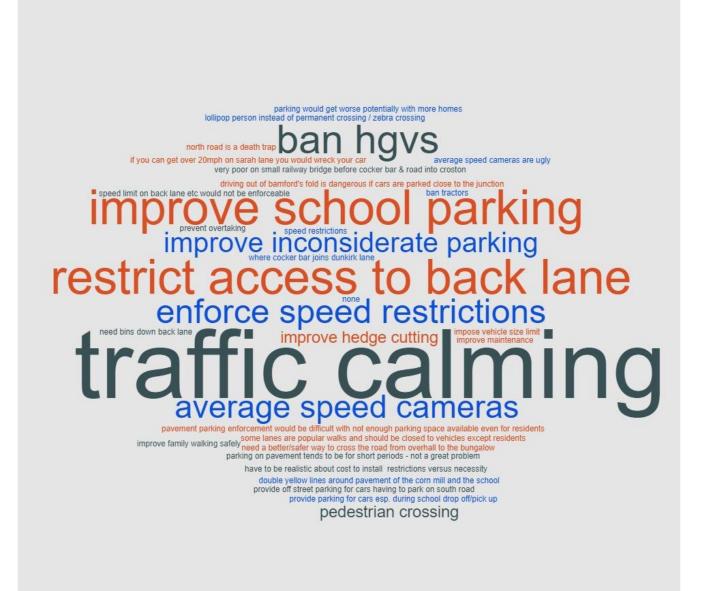
fields north of north road in good shape depends whether you are a farmer or not generally ok but hedges are cut too much some of the public footpaths are overgrown agri fields maintained - do spray with insecticide dredge and maintain local rivers - especially bretherton bretherton residents and agriculture are two separate issues maintain and clean out ditches some footpaths are overgrown and unsuitable during summer some public footpaths are virtually impassable due to overgrowth field hedges are often cut unnecessarily hard, should be left for wildlife aside from hedge cutting generally yes, but some crops are being planted up to the field margins t know public footpaths (particularly in fields could be maintained much better farmers plough over prows and block or lock stiles and gates in some areas footpaths overgrown mainly yes- some fields not maintained eg on marl cop and near bungalows there was probably more songbirds on the banks 30 years ago especially larks some woodland is in need of thinning - eg around bank hall , east of war memorial some farmers are planting crops across public footpaths, so unable to see path location i am not an expert but they seem to be managed ok but there is always room for improvement internal hedge rows are routinely "butchered" by flailing often at the wrong time from a wildlife perspective managed for profit, but government regulations play a part. changes since brexit and cap- and continuing to change agricultural land is subject to flooding due to lack of dredging and river bank maintenance by environment agency don land drainage maintenance is poor generally, but planting often up to the field edges which can overlap the footpaths causes problems more severe penalties for farmers/land owners who plough up prows or block stiles or gates predominance of autumn-sown cereals etc not conducive to breeding lapwing/skylark apart from planting over prows the farmland behind the apiary is not maintained and the hedges are overgrown excessive flail cutting of hedges reducing blossom/fruiting, and hedge structure local farmers are diligent local farms already provide field margins and leave over wintered stubble always room for improvement lapwing/skylark nests are "harrowed in" annually with no consideration some not marked little/no evidence of environmental farm stewardship schemes in village footpaths poor waste product from golden acres often left in fields unploughed ditches not being maintained number of tracks being created through fields is concerning fields around bretherton are cultivated and appear well kept some uncropped grassland areas require ragwort removal its not necessary to flail internal hedgerows annually tractors go too fast on highways farm land should be used to grow crops for food public footpaths could be more maintained public footpaths often hidden by planting ditches are not kept free-flowing public rights of way not accessible

Bretherton Residents' Questionnaire Results October 2022 Safety and Security

Q36 Road safety improvement options 152 150 160 122 140 110 120 97 82₇₃ 100 70 80 52 49 60 27 15 23_{15 7} 29 26 19₁₁ 40 1511 7 11 9 20 0 20mph speed Average Pedestrian Enforcement Speed limit of Introduce limit on South speed crossing on parking action re 20mph on Road (B5247) cameras on South Road restrictions vehicles Back Lane, from welcome North Road parked on Eyes Lane and opposite Sarah Lane sign to Flag (B5248) school pavement Lane ■ Strongly agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Strongly disagree ■ No comment

Question 36 How could road safety be improved in Bretherton parish?

Other (please specify)



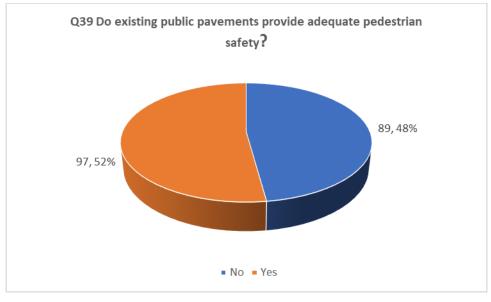
Question 37 How could traffic noise and volume on the B5248 and B5247 through the village be reduced?



Question 38 Are there other specific roads or locations within Bretherton that cause you concern?



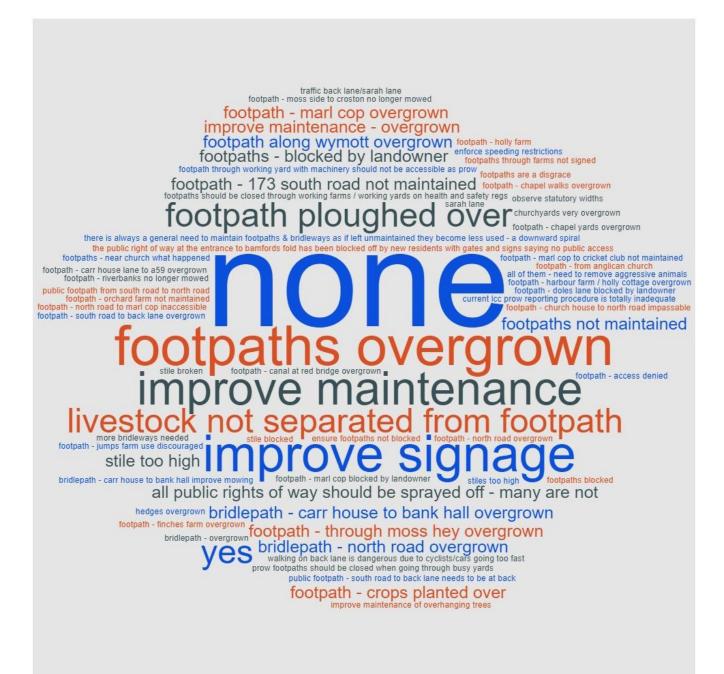
Question 39 Do existing public pavements provide adequate pedestrian safety in Bretherton?

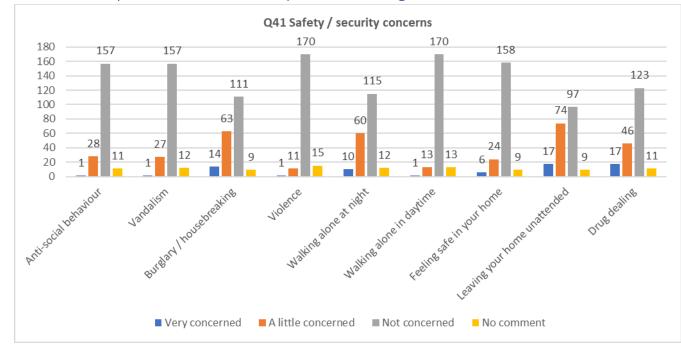


If no, are there specific pavements within Bretherton that cause you concern and what could be done to improve safety?



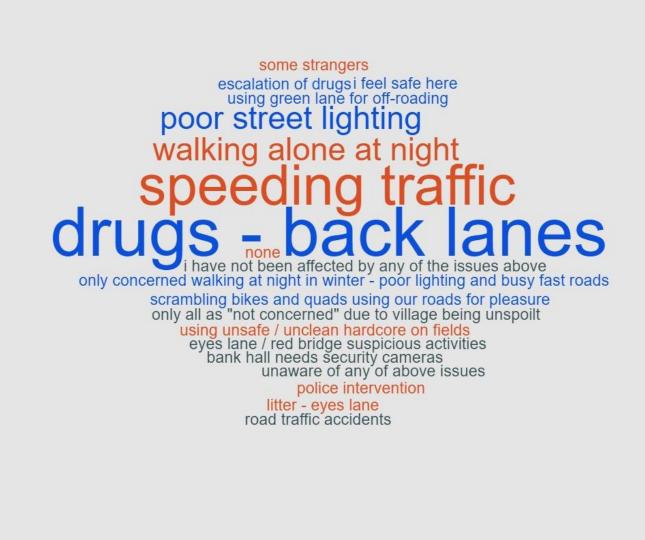
Question 40 Are there any Public Rights of Way (eg footpaths/bridleways) in Bretherton that cause you concern and what could be done to improve these?





Question 41 Are you concerned about any of the following in Bretherton?

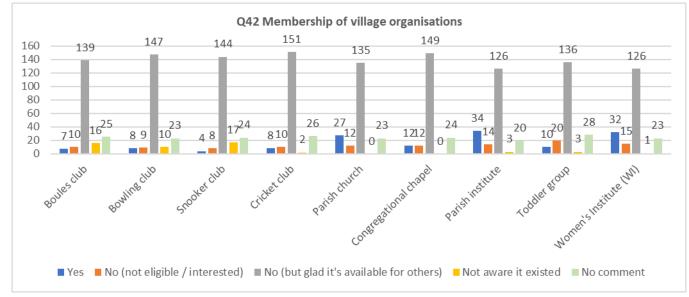
Other (please specify)



If you have identified any of the above, please specify the location and comment on any solutions that may alleviate your concerns

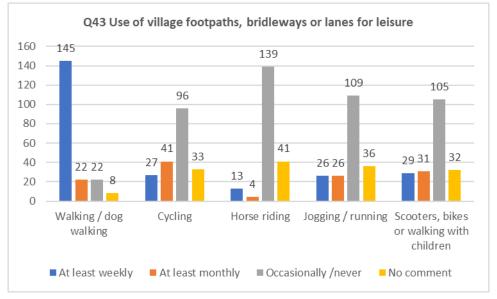


Community and Leisure Activities



Question 42 Are you a member of any of these organisations?





Bretherton Residents' Questionnaire Results October 2022 Question 44 Do you ever encounter any problems when using these routes?



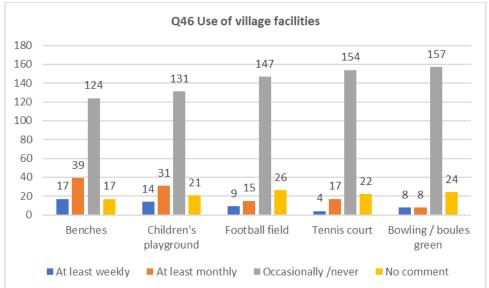
Q45 Other hobbies within the village environment 70 65 60 50 40 35 26 30 20 16 20 10 0 Bird watching Drawing / Fishing Local history Photography sketching

Question 45 Do you have other hobbies that make use of the village environment?

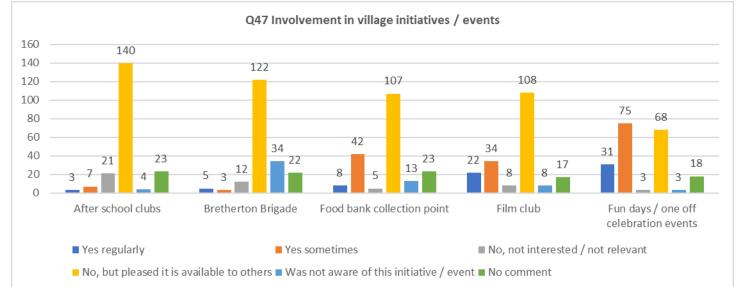
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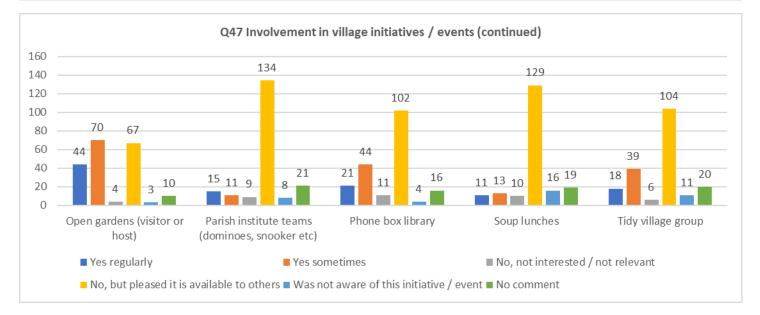
kayaking field botanytoo busy Waalang Note not a hobby but an interest in birds and local history landscape history rearing sheep motor biking dog training shooting

Question 46 How often do you use these village facilities?









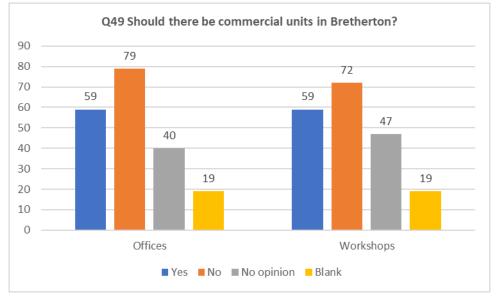
book club none hope the film club can restart i intend to look at books in the phone box when were younger we were more involved in groups very involved in events in mawdesley. the village has far better facilities wish there was more village events and celebrations to bring community together feel i would like to be more involved - time is limited, but hopefully not in the not too distant future mawdesley and surrounding villages is our u3a and would love to hold some groups here if facilities were available and affordable i wish the scarecrow even was stopped - it doesn't "enhance" the look of the village. sory to be negative on this one not aware of existence of bretherton brigade, food bank collection point or fun days used to use bretherton brigade and toddler group in previous years we pick up litter - but not a member of the tidy village group we regularly pick litter in eyes lane - interesting i appreciate the wi doing activities love the phone box libraries

Question 48 Would you like to see any new leisure activities in Bretherton?



Economic Development and Enterprise

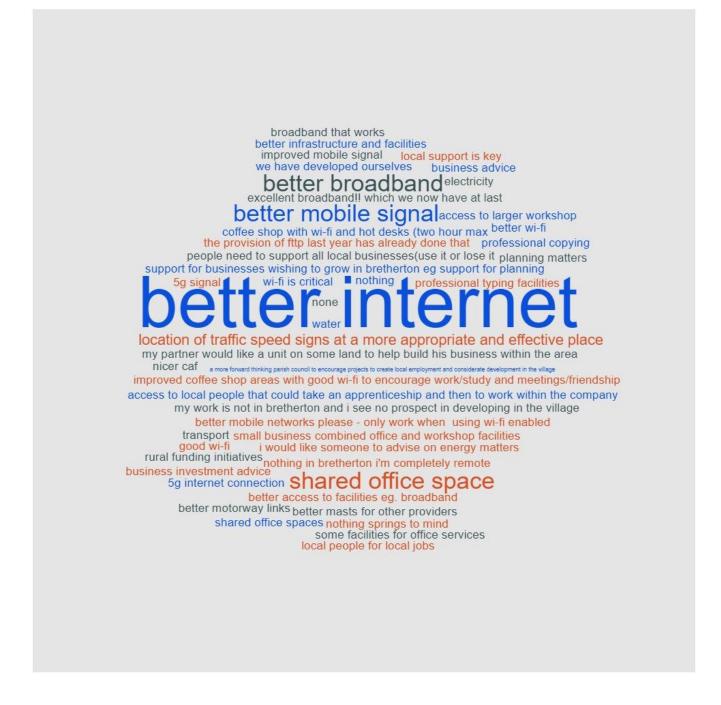
Question 49 Do you think that there should be commercial units available in and around Bretherton to provide facilities for businesses?



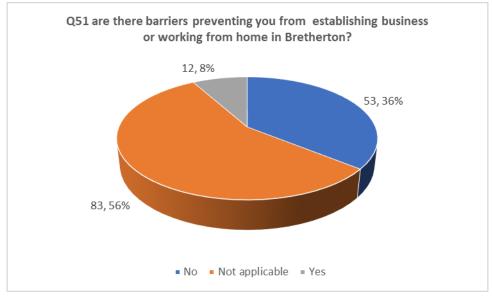
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small units where d&c autos were on north road small starter units would be a good thing would encourage small niche businesses t know where they would / could be located there's also a concern about increased commercial traffic here t detract from the attractiveness of the village be careful that they don but small scale on outskirts of village due to traffic employment for the local young people is important residential area not suitable for rural village they could be designed to look like 'rural workshops wouldn why not? it might encourage village growth, diversity why not? it might encourage village growth, diversity as a business owner i appreciate it can be hard to start up stick to residential not appropriate for the village but required in close proximity a good idea in principle but i don see the development at cedar farm mawdesley for studio space to rent on a small scale any derelict/unused buildings could be used for shared office spaces currently available nearby yes if they could be installed in a sensitive way to preserve the character of the village a small number would be fine (no more than 5) if done in a sympathetic style and which wouldn would bring more traffic and noise, bretherton not set up for current volume of traffic and hgvs let alone more it seems "workshops" are being set up for this purpose but with planning application for a house/bungalow in mind yes there should be a small commercial estate adjacent to ribble feeds/bamfords on north road, that could be situated to the north of north road depends where located regarding traffic with the move to working from home this may be a positive step any commercial activity should be complementary to the environment and premises should be in keeping the village does not seem to me to need these in view of its size, and is available elsewhere t become cube like structures that lay empty and encourage anti social behaviour no more as the village has no parking and is already busy with traffic in moderation only if within existing units/buildings wouldn't fit the village in addition it would be a bad spot for them reduces travel and commuting and provides local employment it isn't a business park for people in the village only sme facilities would allow more residents to work in the village as long as they are tastefully done local people need to work make bretherton an attractive work to live, work, play there are enough in our vicinity no more as the village has no parking and is already busy with traffic yes but limited in size i think it depends on how, why and where this is done saves on fuel start-up digital offices with hot desks and small offices not enough infrastructure in discreet locations with satisfactory screening would ruin countryside ambiance yes - it is important to keep the village active keeps people in the village workshops eg woodwork / artists / designers to provide local employment opportunities roads not suited to heavy commercial traffic there are some private ones available t say there is a demand for this

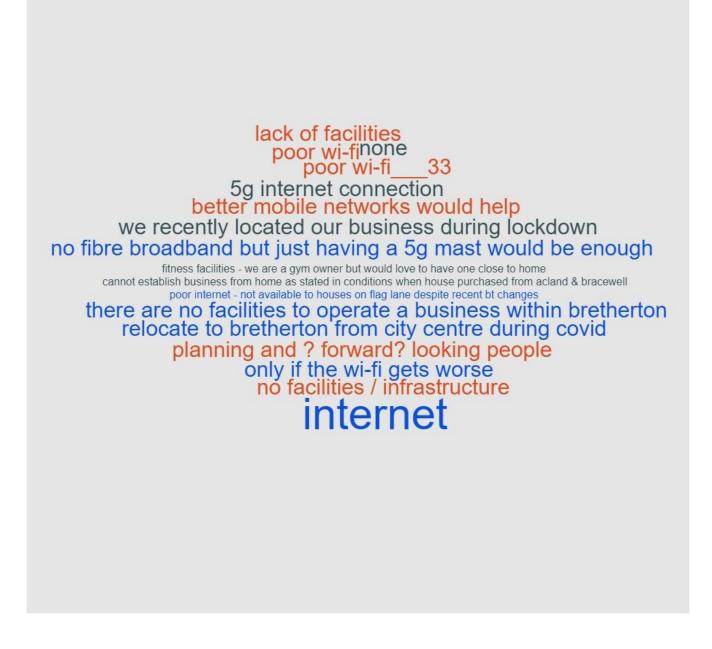
Question 50 If you are self-employed or a business owner in Bretherton, what would enable you to sustain and develop your business?



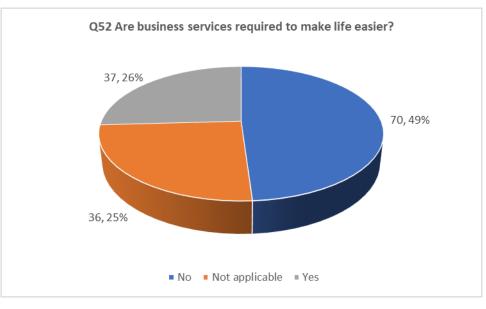
Question 51 Are there any barriers preventing you establishing your business in Bretherton or working from home in Bretherton?



Comments



Question 52 As a resident in Bretherton, are there any business services that you require to make your life easier?

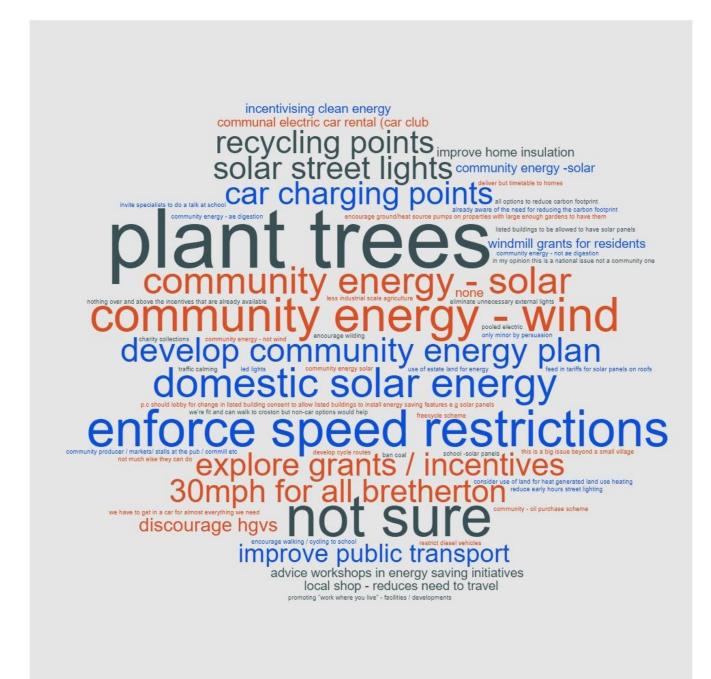


If so, what are they and why?



Energy

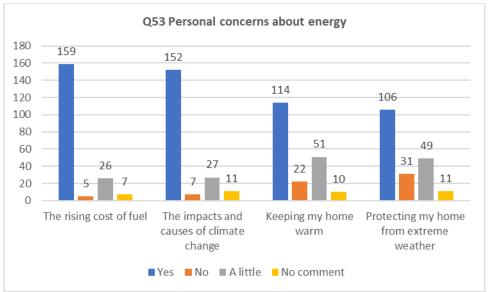
Question 53 What measures could Bretherton Parish Council explore that could reduce the impact of our carbon footprint?



Question 54 What could you personally or the residents of Bretherton collectively do to make the transition from a carbon-based world to a renewable energy world?

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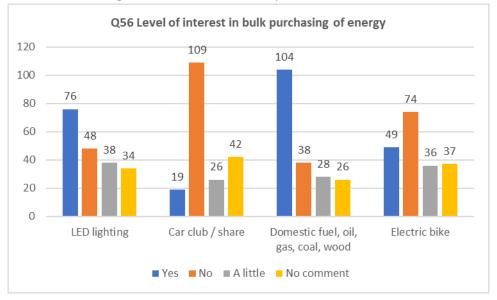
Question 55 What are your personal concerns about energy?



Please comment

massive hike in fuel costs not possible to insulate lpg gas has gone through roof possible flooding always a concern i live in an old house with a smallish garden it is very difficult and expensive to change to a heat pump climate change should always be prioritised over other issues some more tree planting likely to help drainage and high wind damage prevention we need to act now and let bretherton be the pioneers in lancashire by working with ga pet food partners our home is grade ii listed and we are restricted in what we can do to make it more efficient rising cost of fuel for a rural village will also cause high food prices yes chorley council have declared a climate emergency i am concerned about climate change as i am young very poor energy rating in older properties more up to date info would help old houses are costly to heat fuel costs way to much none flooding

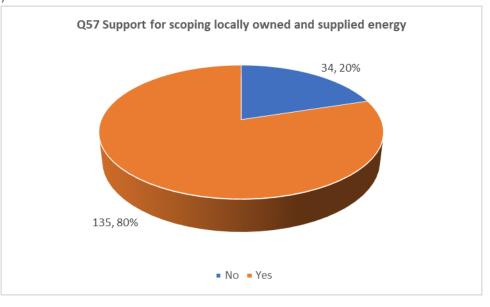
Question 56 Bulk purchasing of energy: which ones of these bulk purchasing opportunities might you be interested in if it was organised at a community level?



Please comment



Question 57 Would you support action to explore the scope for energy supply to be owned and produced locally?



Please comment

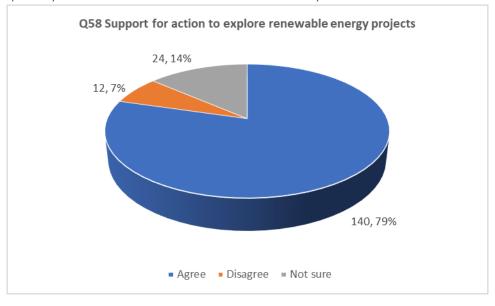
i have solar panels 100 percent

would support a residents scheme follow ga pet food partners' proposal if there is a fair and just way to do so maybe depending on what is decided absolutely maybe depending on what is decided absolutery maybe, we need to be very careful with this totally provided it was done in an environmentally sensitive way this will be a distraction from the core responsibilities of the parish i support the ga scheme in principle at the location currently proposed it is dangerous to allow an energy monopoly to be created definitely, having been to ga's open day, it has made us realise how lucky are to have them in the villagel and potentially provide this energy because it is so difficult to make changes as an individual, it is worth looking at community scale options yes the proposed ga scheme is excellent for the village, we are so lucky to be offered this opportunity or villaged in a community scale options the village is served by several "cable lines" for electricity. is this feasible i am an electrical engineer so personally interested in this area/field it depends what it is and the impact on the countryside

as long as this does not impact the look of the village hopefully the ga scheme will be supportable as long as we can trust people involved yes only if it will be much cheaper yes, if via alternative supply

solar farm/storage it is ugly and dangerous

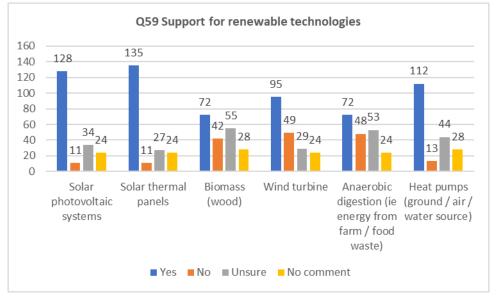
Question 58 Would you support action to explore what renewable energy projects in our area could viably be developed by and for the benefit of our community?



Please comment

not fracking 100% support solar yes sympathetically partner with ga pet foods solar farms only - no wind turbines if done, as i said before, fairly and justly t have a significant impact to the environment caveat - must not impact countryside or rural appearance of village work with local businesses / farmers like ga pet food to make this possible this needs very very careful consideration as there could be unwanted consequences the ga scheme would provide twice the current electrical power. this would allow the conversion from oil and gas to electrical heat pumps this must be controlled and owned by the village i would support any renewable energy projects however as long as it doesn energy projects should be nationally managed would support a village residents scheme yes if we can trust people involved solar/air source heat pumps so long as no wind farms none maybe if solar work with ga

Question 59 If a community owned renewable energy project could be built to 'an appropriate scale' and 'sensitively' in our landscape, which of these technologies might you support?



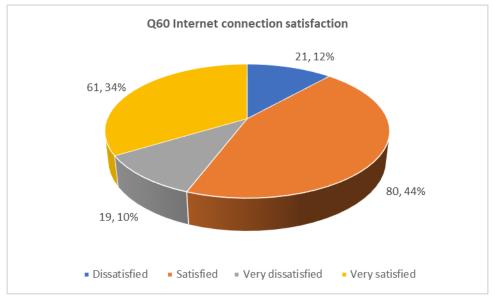
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wind turbine must not be tall i need more information to comment We have solar panels not informed enough to comment on some

dependant on cost and location / visibility of equipment the costs need to be proportionate sensitively landscaped also any initiative needs to involve the community to learn more wind turbines on croston already impact bretherton views / sound i need to understand the impact on countryside and rural nature of village don't know enough about biomass (wood) or anaerobic digestion to comment i would need to know more about biomass and anaerobic digestion on a large scale wind turbine would be far too big and noticeable and would affect the feel of the village wind is the cheapest and most reliable form of energy in south west lancashire the scale of anaerobic digestion is too large and impactful on the village setting wind is by far the most reliable and cheapest form of energy here in lancs definitely not wind turbine as it has an adverse effect on birds in favour, as long as the environment is not compromised electrical power is much easier to manage than thermal air source heat pumps are small and efficient anaerobic digestion as a last resort none no details to comment - sorry would not welcome noise or smell local recycling point 100% support

Utilities and Other Services

Question 60 If you use the internet, are you satisfied with the connection speed you get in Bretherton?



Any comments on the internet service in Bretherton?

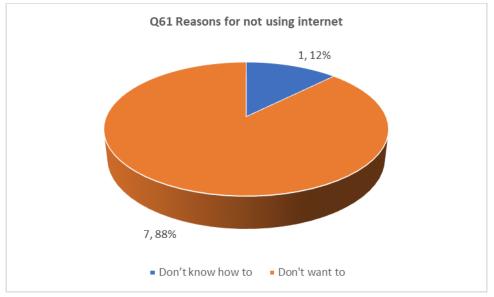
we now have access to full fibre broadband not in business so happy with the speed regular drop outs of service during working day the new internet stopped halfway up north road we have not had fibre fitted yet. it's 5 mb at present since the upgrade in 2020 yes! it was woeful before internet connection is extremely poor, i'm lucky i don i think some still struggle however we have paid to get fibre direct into our home none was very poor for many years but significantly improved recently will need upgrading soon as 4g and streaming services get bigger better wi-fi was a significant recent improvement personal and business as the speed is variable it is sometimes slow but when working fully it is ok huge improvement since fibre was made available. still patchy but still so much better mostly ok at home but often no mobile signal or broadband connection when moving around village

i use 4g aerial instead

the provider i wish to use has not made it to bretherton

houses on flag lane receive copper only lines from croston - bt won't install fibre that far so internet speed is pathetic my personal internet speed is bad and the reception on my mobile phone is terrible and very inconvenient absolutely stinks that 95% of the village ahs 1000mb broadband while the rest has 20mb it is very bad can't speak on the phone very easily without it keep cutting out has improved enormously in last 12 months but still occasionally drops out i used to have system with a third party now used a bt supplied system i have no phone line up until about 3 months ago my answer would have been different n/a bt refuse to extend fibre beyond the blue anchor towards croston we pay for highest speed fibre broadband direct into our home got better lately since covid What happened to barn 4 t rely on it or work from home poor speed since open reach upgraded never worked as well had to upgrade to bt fibre hub - very expensive we use bt which is excellent but expensive ok since the implementation of fibre can have bad moments / days fttp has been a game changer

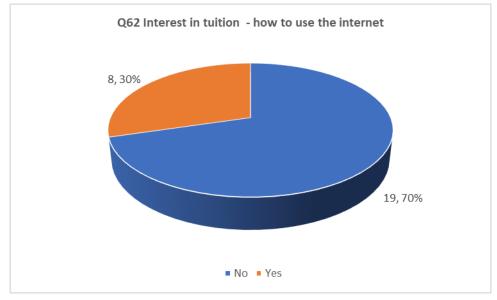
Question 61 If you don't use the internet, what is the reason?



Other, please list

Only 1 response received – Don't know how to

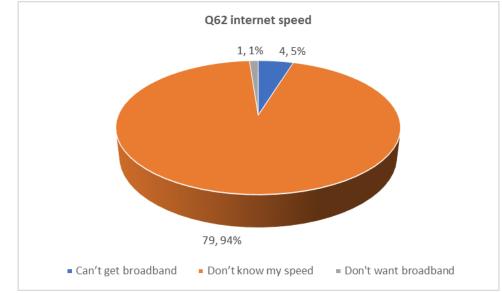
Question 62 If you don't know how to use the internet but would like to, would you be interested in lessons in Bretherton?



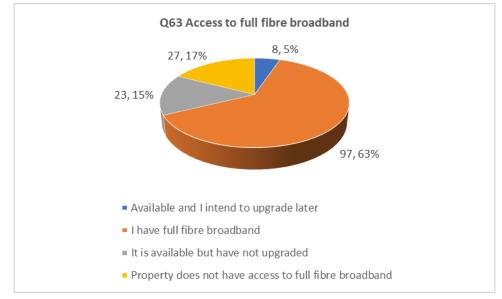
Question 62a (there are two question 62s on the questionnaire) What internet speed do you usually get on a weekday?

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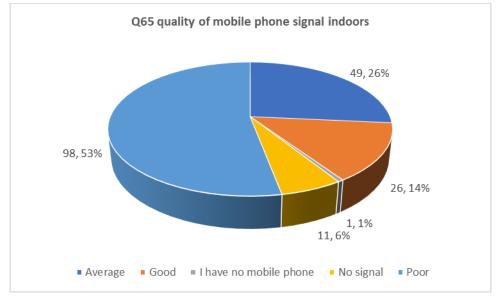
Question 63 Do you have access to full fibre broadband (FTTP)?



Bretherton Residents' Questionnaire Results October 2022 Question 64 If you have a mobile phone, please name your service provider



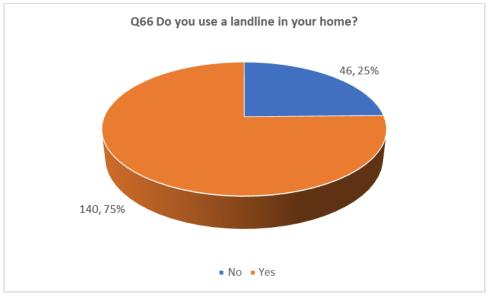
Question 65 How good is the mobile telephone signal inside your house in Bretherton?



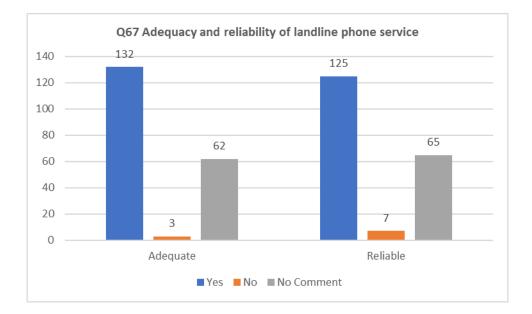
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unreliable signal use wi-fi calling inside better signal needed not good in most of the house position dependent in house very unreliable only get good signal in 2 rooms have to go upstairs to get a signal connectivity does vary over periods of time signal with virgin has improved in the last 3-6 months varies between no signal and poor depending where in house phone always cuts off rarely make a call from start to finishes redial depends on which bit of the house i'm in! could be a lot better please can we get better mobile phone signals we use a wi-fi connection for mobile phone calls can only use when linked up to wi-fi calls none good 3g/4g/h+ coverage outside not adequate for business calls i have to divert all calls to internet calls calls outside can also be bad 5g mast(s) needed varies around the area 4g not available

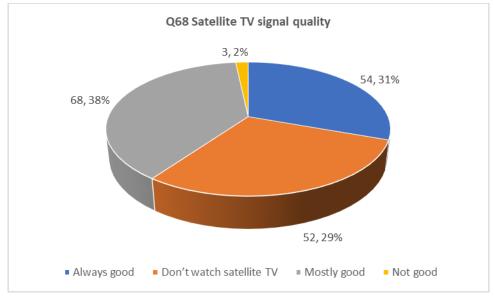
Question 66 Do you use a landline in your home?



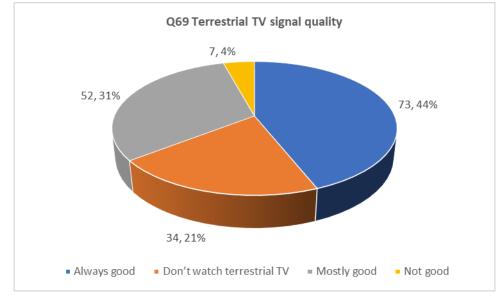
Question 67 If you use a landline phone, is the service adequate and reliable?



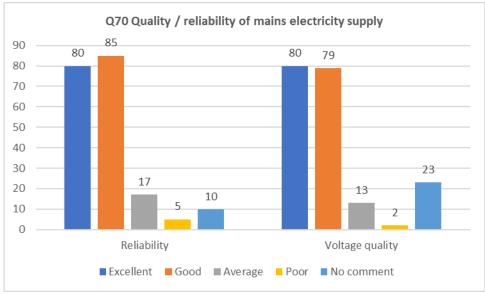
Question 68 If you watch satellite transmitted TV, is the signal quality good?



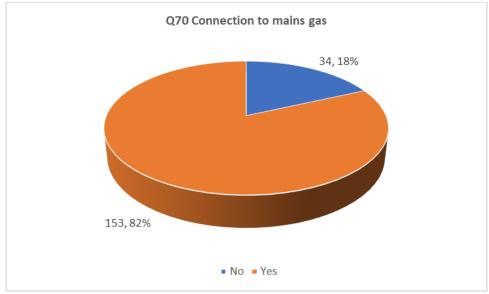
Question 69 If you watch terrestrial TV, is the signal quality good?



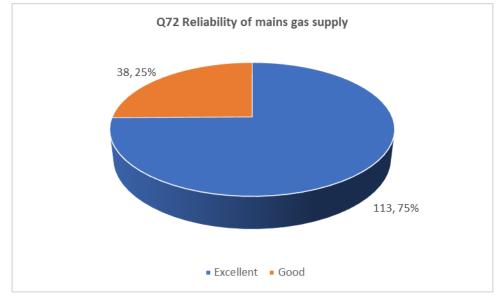




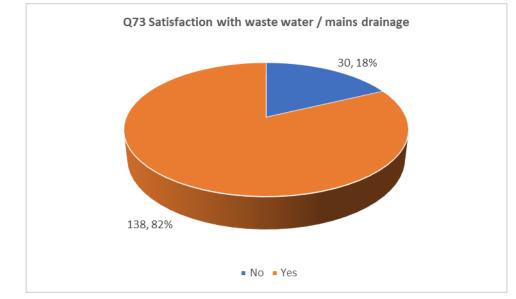
Question 71 Is your property connected to mains gas?



Question 72 If you are connected to mains gas, how is the reliability of your supply?

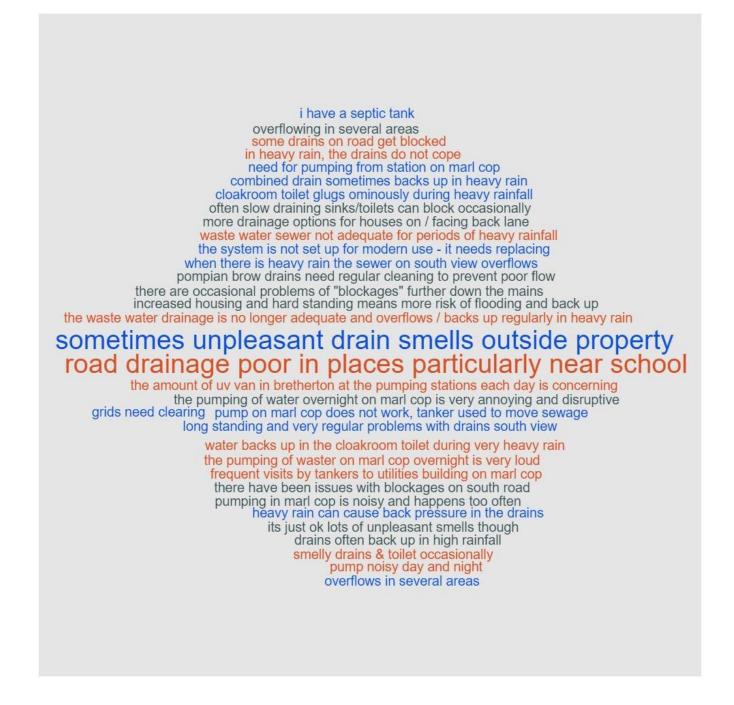


Question 73 Are you satisfied with waste water / mains drainage in Bretherton?

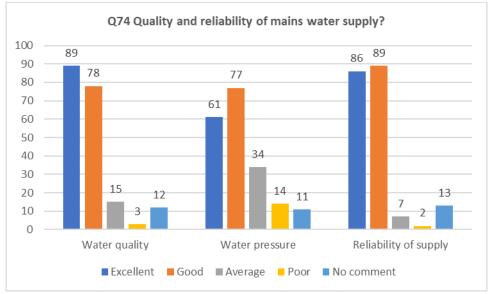


Bretherton Residents' Questionnaire Results October 2022 Number of properties not connected: Twenty-one respondents are not connected to waste water / mains drainage

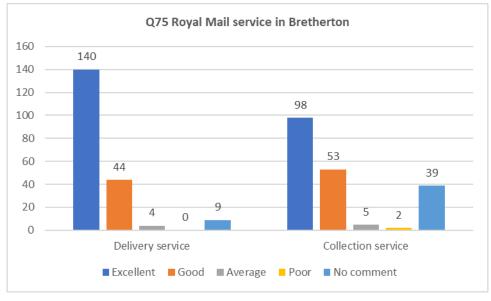
Other comments on the waste water/ mains drainage in Bretherton



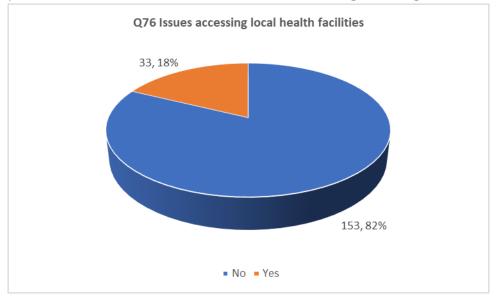
Question 74 How is the quality and reliability of your mains water supply?



Question 75 What do you think about the Royal Mail delivery and collection service in Bretherton?



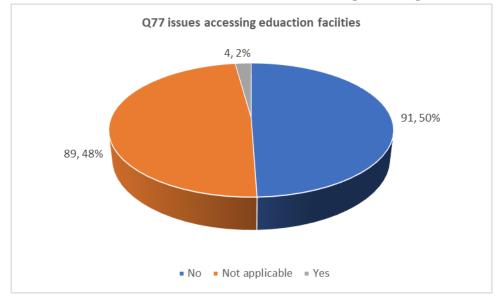
Question 76 As a small community, Bretherton does not have an NHS health facility in the village. Do you have any issues with access to local health facilities in neighbouring areas?



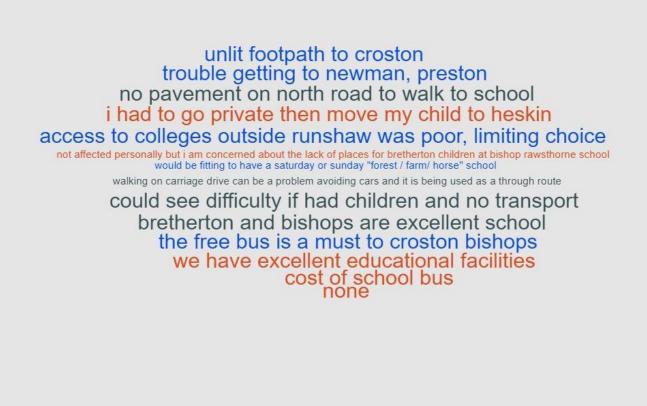
Comments

travel to the health centre is difficult had to stay with old doctors and dentist yes, difficult to get face to face appointments hard to access gps in croston medical centre not currently, but could become an issue in future i have struggled to get doctors/nurse appointments recent takeover in croston has led to a poorer service can be difficult to get gp not fair we cannot join tarleton practice as very near nhs facilities are very good sometimes getting gp appointments/blood tests is delayed serve a big area sometimes difficult to get an appointment on the same day use croston facilities i have had to stay with my old gp some distance away (coppull doctors poor manners live on my own it has become more difficult to get an appointment to see a doctor it would be good to have an occasional surgery/clinic in the village croston is very near could be a problem for those less mobile - does need a car to access access has declined recently cannot get to see doctor i get appointments quickly probably good for older generation we have a private doctor now as nhs not fit for purpose, also use bupa service doctor at leyland croston medical now shares with other villages which can be too far if you cannot drive but the recent merger of gps in croston has affected the level of service by phone and availability we can drive to the surgery but the time will come when this is not possible. we will then be forced to leave bretherton our doctor is in croston and even if we got a surgery in bretherton we would continue to go to him croston village surgery offers an excellent service, can always get an appointment if needed need better public transport or a service/facility in the village one day each week croston medical centre - trying to speak to reception by phone takes half day doctors are unfriendly and always changing. nurses however are brilliant don't drive dr ahmad is excellent only practice available is croston which is over used and can't access care hearing facilities are in leyland an arrangement for some surgeries a week for those with no car village surgery is excellent excellent service from coston - the village surgeries - dr ahmad croston medical centre terrible difficult to get through to croston hc and get an appointment struggle to get appointments trying to make an appointment over the phone is testing to date croston medical centre has always been excellent very difficult to get through to croston medical centre use croston but can be difficult to get an appointment since covid access to doctors etc is certainly not easy Ilways have to wait in queue on phone for ages would have if unable to drive the service in croston has gone backwards can't get through on the phone any more croston village surgery very helpful would like a surgery direct access

Question 77 Bretherton has a kindergarten and a primary school, and access to secondary education and adult / further / higher education in neighbouring villages and towns. Do you have any issues with access to education facilities in Bretherton or neighbouring areas?

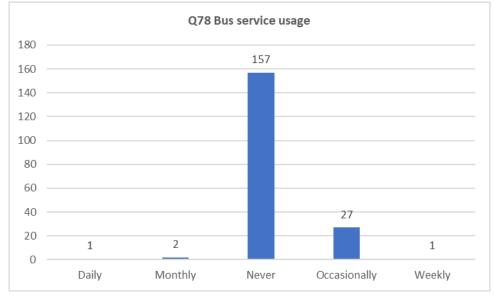


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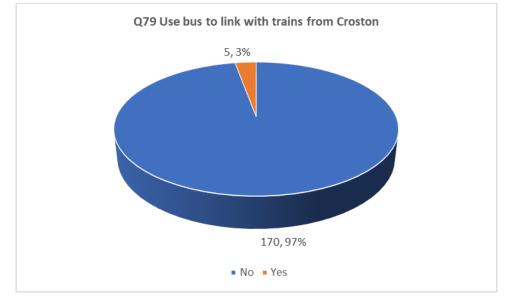
Question 78 How often do you use the local bus service?



If you use the bus service, where do you travel to?



Question 79 Do you use the bus service to link with trains from Croston station?



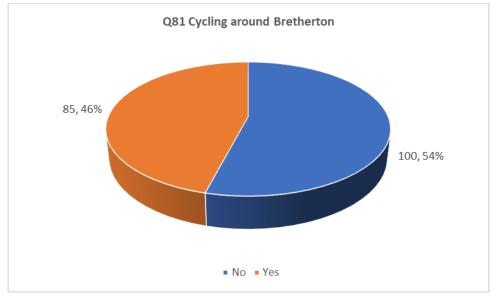
If so, could the links be improved in any way?

only used once more frequent timetable to meet trains a credible return trip don't be ridiculous timings could be better co-ordinated maybe run the bus at a time to suit the train coincide with train times and other bus services ie x2 and 2 yes, would like the bus back home - only goes one way the timings do not always match, but would use the bus if they did Would use occasionally if there was a bus from north road that connected i have used the train to liverpool from croston and feel that the links could be improved so that no one can ever be stranded for two hours at ormskirk not used the bus to access croston station yet but expect to in the future- holidays, visiting family but would if it connected well, with rail stations and other bus terminals bus to preston and southport not at the moment but perhaps in the future if i didn't drive, i would use this service none because it only goes one way a return service is needed didn't know there was one may do in future

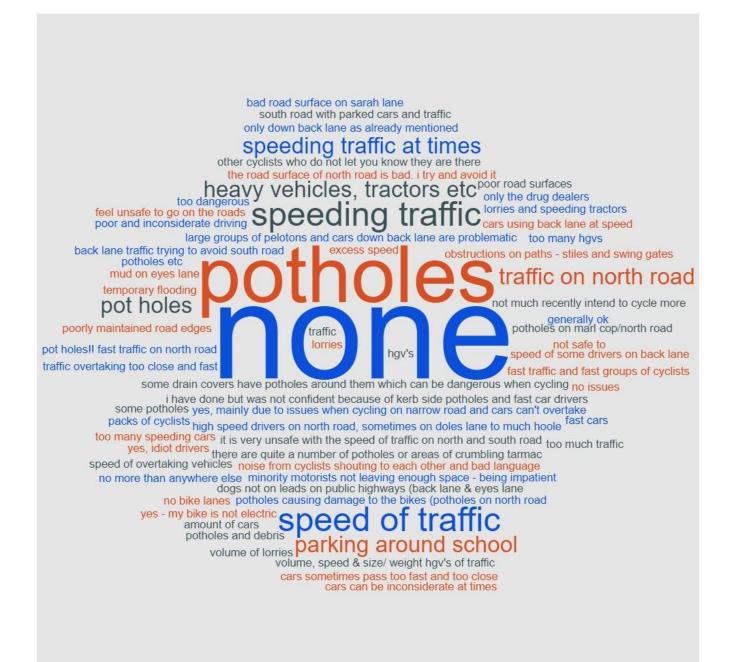
Question 80 How could the bus service in Bretherton be improved? Eg routes, timetable, cost, bus stop location, access, reliability

linked to train and to the 2 and x2 on a59 faster journey to preston and return route limited routes available tuse it so can't comment not able to comment as i rarely use the service lower cost is there any demand? the bus is always empty t feel the service adds value take in the route onto the a59 to connect with services x2 and 2 shorter routes/shuttle bus inCreased routes/timetable direct route to preston no idea a new stop at leyland end of north road would help more bus stops and more routes route should run from croston to bretherton and return bretherton to croston no buses in north road don't know perhaps a quicker shuttle service to neighbouring towns how often does it run and is it busy bus stop on north road more services using smaller buses - electric ones if possible routes and timetable route is very lengthy to town, understandable but time consuming the cost incurred cannot be economic a route to a59 to enable access to other routes stop by request i would use this service if it was a direct route to preston, leyland or southport for shopping there's limited ways of getting back to bretherton if having a night out even locally - no taxis, no buses a friend was going to get the bus to bretherton from preston but the length of time it would take is crazy a shuttle service between, for example, croston and longton or eccleston and tarleton via bretherton would be helpful i do not have time to use an infrequent service, it would take too long to get to leyland etc and back as compared to travel by car more connectivity when we do see the bus it is usually empty - not sure of the reason smaller buses personally i don connection to tarleton or much hoole would allow onward connections via no2 bus to preston, southport, liverpool, much better than a trip to chorley or leyland to get to leyland first you have to pay to get to croston then pay again to get to leyland so walk to croston to save money residents need to be made aware of the bus service - leaflet drop maybe, and pick up points on north road as well bus to chorley my son has used the service to travel to work in leyland, the journey is very slow/long i believe unless the price of petrol or diesel trebled the rich people in bretherton (most of them won t know too complicated to connect here. if viable options were offered, could commit then More buses what i do know is that it would take me far too long to get to preston timetable unknown don't know the name of the company who runs the bus service bus stop locations are good cost - it is too expensive not currently applicable to me routes / bus stop location but i still would unlikely use it direct route to places as it takes too long to get anywhere run both ways genuine return service takes too long to get to preston compared to train regular to station genuine return service times more frequent routes takes too long to get to preston compared to train regular to station not run around for such a long time for a return Imited routes/availability the bus route from bretherton is a mystery to me only used a handful of times a bus both ways to preston not a one way loop t go on the bus only 1 route and takes hours to get to preston don't know the bus times different areas to travel to - routes quicker routes- it takes too long to get to preston a timetable would be useful

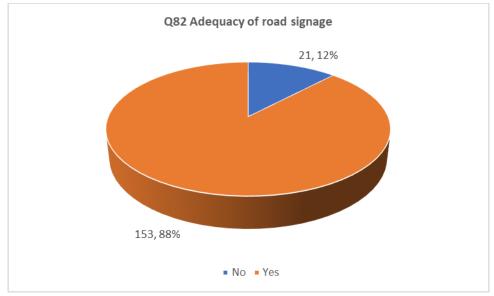
Question 81 Do you cycle on the roads in and around Bretherton?



If yes, do you encounter any problems?



Question 82 Is road signage adequate in Bretherton?



Comments

are there any signs speed signs too small not enough speed signs not clear

repeater speed signs would be useful access only" areas should be tightened up speed limit to be displayed clearer and more often trees need to be cut away from signs and signs cleaned we could do with s "slow , ducks crossing sign on south road heavy traffic on a59 needs to be directed away from bretherton hedges obscure signs or signs are damaged when hedges are cut need warnings on s-bends entering village that people may be crossing need duck crossing sign on south road by old bakery - seen several near crash incidents a slow down sign as you approach the junction with north rd and south road would be useful the motorway should be clearly signed at carr house so that traffic does not come through the village junction of back lane/eyes lane not marked. drivers not aware to give way at end of back lane signage at the toll bar routing traffic to the m6/m61/m65 along the a50 similar as it is at longton good more "drive carefully" signs none but need cleaning

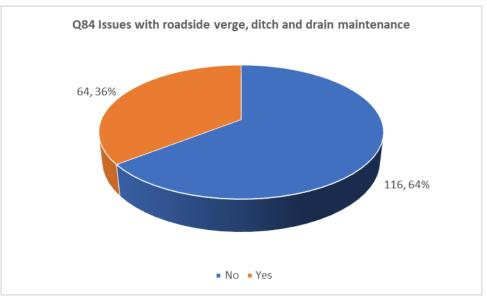
sharp bend sign at fleetwood farm poorly lit and not easily visible

lack of maintenance means road signs are not always visible but many cannot be seen because of overgrown hedges need more animal signs on carr house lane t get observed speed limit signage is routinely ignored could do with a sign for the football field better speed signs parking outside school more warning signs

Question 83 What do you think of the standard of winter gritting, snow clearance and leaf fall clearance in Bretherton?



Question 84 Are you aware of any problems with the maintenance of roadside verges, ditches and drains in Bretherton?



Comments?

ditches have got better this year i am aware of some blocked by trees county council seems to avoid doing anything

culverts - need maintenance

japanese knotweed along back lane & other verges flag lane - flooding private households should be obliged to reinstate ditches South road - collapsed drain drain of the school house north road/ carr house lane junction always seems to flood marl cop needs resurfacing notice the weeds on the pavements not removed by council anymore ditch by fleetwood farm completely full and does not link to main system outside primary school / old school house large puddle and on toll bar roundabout

verges are left to homeowners or volunteers drains do become blocked but were cleared once reported on the Icc highways website

itches need maintenance Ο drains need maintena

surface water network - needs maintenance roads are generally poorly maintained with potholes and broken surfaces localised flooding drains need maintenance. carriage drive junction - blocked drain floods ditches filled in temporary flooding driving towards croston and on back lane

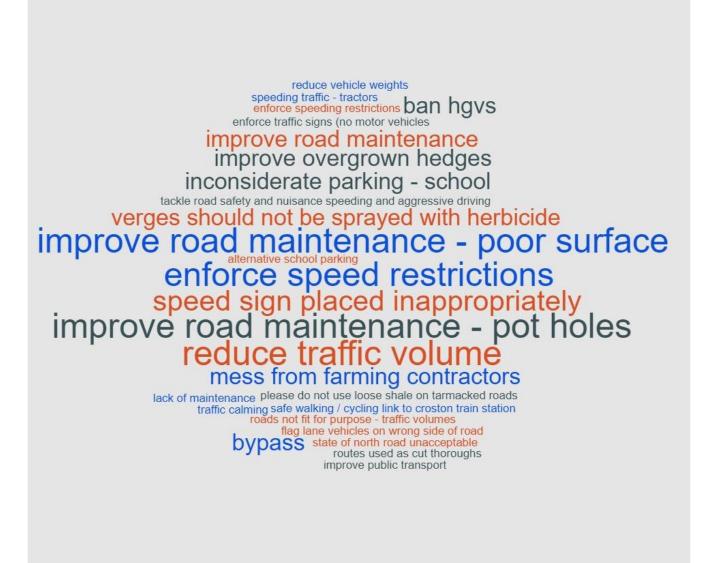
road drains - need maintenance pumping station on marl cop cannot cope in heavy rain

flooding on footpath blocked drains cause flooding surface water from road not properly managed on b5248 south view - long standing drain issues never sorted ditches in fields behind houses on south road need to be cleared water build up end of north road/ carr house lane

lots of crumbling roadside verges/ditches

road gutters - need resetting watercourses need maintenance

Question 85 Have you any other comments on roads, highways, and transport in Bretherton?



Have you any other comments that you feel would be useful to the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group?

the focus should be to meet needs of lower income the parish council / village should work with local businesses what is the beige crusty stuff i get in my kettle/ round by taps community will have to work very hard to achieve our joint aims infrastructure upgrades must be tied to any future developm need a small industrial estate to encourage the village to be sustainable need a small industrial estate to encourage the village to be sustainable just please please please consider keeping the overall look of the village thank you for taking the initiative individual hedges grow over pavements reducing foot traffic in these areas there should be no housing development unless road safety is addressed regular maintenance of footpaths/hedges/riverbanks so easily available on walks village pub like the wheatsheaf in croston encourage a small scale residential with 30% affordable so the village does not 'die the highways around bretherton are poorly designed detrimental impact on services within the village if too much housebuilding is allowed pavement on north road is an issue drainage grids often blocked with mud from farm vehicles, causing flooding on roads bretherton is stunning village but like an elderly lady she needs more care on existing roads. please keep bretherton a village to develop around the recreation ground you would need to knock a house down or come in at the back please profect our village more bins around some of the lanes to encourage people to pick up their dog poo and dispose of it correctly not thank you fortunate to live in bretherton, hope the village is able to continue to be a welcoming & happy place, thank you more bins around the recreation ground you would need to knock a house down or come in at the back please profect our village more bins around some of the lanes to encourage people to pick up their dog poo and dispose of it correctly not thank you more thing a mainter and the profect the village is able to continue to be a welcoming & happy place, thank you more thing around the recreation ground you would need to continue to be a welcoming to a shappy place. 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Thank you more bins around the profect the village is able to continu fortunate to live in bretherton, hope the village is able to continue to be a welcoming & happy place, thank you most things are minor we live in a beautiful village and it is important to maintain this and enhance with improved care of the environment community gardens? all the neighbourhood plan should 'encourage and support' the ga scheme at every opportunity, the climate will not wait this is a really good idea residents should always receive clear information should are scheme at every opportunity. ents residents should always receive clear information about any proposed major development and an opportunity to respon concern - field behind bamfords fold highlighted for housing development subject to a council-chorley local plan 2012-2026 more friendly and open with newer residents and realise that they want to be apart of village life and aren't aliens coming to invade supporting residents with prov closure on working farm with machinery which is dangerous especially when there are alternative routes the facilities are fantastic in the village, they just need to be used, this is why we need more residential development and make bretherton sustainable distribute new housing to avoid a one-street village concerned about future planning on fields (north/south road some of the questions were difficult to understand eg 59 - wouldn't have been able to answer this without google/ prior knowledge thank you some of the questions were difficult to understand eg 59 - wouldn't have been able to answer this without google/ prior knowledge thank you public footpath route signs (they've recently got them in croston) would encourage people to explore on their own doorstep things people can help with would be great to get rid of houses that are not in keeping with the character of the village e.g. mari cop and north road there needs to be a 'master plan' which incorporates sensible future development and the creation of a village "hub tackling fly tipping" the largest landowner and the biggest business in bretherton are effectively the same entity and have huge power on north road is a disgrace litter thrown from cars con mill-cars can be parked too near the junction which makes it difficult turning into south road affecting vision bins more input on design on planning applications - use of materials in keeping with general look of village te etc help our children to live here any developments must take into account what impact it has on the access and egress onto the main roads essential to reduce speed/traffic in village places such as bamfords fold just so over parked it is dangerous and i dread walking down there care of house number development there are probably more dogs than footballers who would want to use the recreation ground work with eg ga pet food partners and their proposal for their mutual journey to net zero renewable energy plans issues with low flying aircraft especially possible flying lessons for landing and take off only lived in the village for about eight months there are some that i cannot answer weight restriction on vehicles i feel more local people should be involved instead of central to the counting group weight restriction on vehicles i feel more local people should be involved instead of central to the counting group ditches around the village need regular inspection developments need to be considered against lack of facilities and traffic volu-help everyone get affordable energy this is a natural and peaceful area and this is the beauty and uniqueness of it help everyone get affordable energy this is a natural and peaceful area and this is the beauty and uniqueness or in more litter bins i do think a lot of housing developments are far bigger homes / expensive traffic free walking areas - sarah lane/back lane the ga scheme is a fantastic opportunity for all residents of bretherton the quarterly newsletter is very good good idea to have a social media / facebook group for bretherton our village roads are already carrying too much hgy/tractor traffic i would like to walk to school with the kids but it is simply not safe improve signposting to children's play area and football field please do not add additional phone masts and transmitters more to be done on volume of cars down back lane