

Nether Alderley Looking Forward Consulting towards a community plan

> Survey Results & Recommendations

> > 1 October 2013

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#### **Mission Statement**

The purpose of the Group shall be to:

- Raise community support for the Parish Plan project ('The Project')
- Secure funding for the Project and comply with any grant conditions
- Budget and monitor finance for the Project
- Keep proper financial records and accounts for the Project
- Work in partnership with individuals, local authorities, bodies and organisations to complete the Project
- Ensure wide community consultation and participation in the Project
- Plan the programme of work, activities and events to deliver the Project
- Set the timescale for the Project and keep progress under regular review;
- Analyse the data collected from the consultation
- Identify local priorities and devise an action plan from the data collected
- Report regularly on progress to the Parish Council
- Produce, launch and distribute the final Parish Plan



## **Nether Alderley Looking Forward**

#### **Steering Group Working Party**

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## **Survey Process**



## Survey Process (1)

- This survey was conducted according to the Market Research Society Code of Conduct by Nether Alderley Looking Forward (NALF), a volunteer group of local residents set-up at the invitation of Nether Alderley Parish Council (NAPC).
- The survey was split into two parts, one for all adults and one for children aged
  7-17 years within Nether Alderley. Eligible postcodes were provided by NAPC.
- The content of the questionnaires incorporated inputs from the preliminary focus group discussions organised by NAPC and a series of subsequent one to one interviews conducted with stakeholders. Questionnaire design and was approved by NAPC and Cheshire East Council (CEC). It was printed by CEC.
- Questionnaires were hand delivered to all eligible households by a team of volunteers during January & February 2013 for self-completion by respondents and collected, or returned to the volunteers at the discretion of respondents, within 2-4 weeks of delivery.



## Survey Process (2)

- The distribution and collection of questionnaires was completed before the announcement that AstraZeneca planned to vacate Alderley Park.
- The survey was conducted anonymously, but incentives were offered for completion for those willing to reveal their identities or make themselves available for any supplementary survey.
- From a total estimated\* population of 640 residents / 220 households 279 questionnaires were returned. (Completion rate of 44% - a robust sample size for a community survey.
  - 243 adults
  - 36 children
- The survey data has been data entered into a SNAP database. Unless stated otherwise, percentages represent only those answering each question.
  Respondents were not compelled to answer each question.

\*ACRE (Action with Communities in Rural England) 2010



# Discussion Group Findings



### **Preliminary Qualitative Summary**





# Quantitative Survey Key Messages



## Key Messages (1)

#### • Respondent Profile

Predominantly:

- 'Older' generation (86% 45+years)
- Post-family (78% without children at home)
- Living in mainly two person households (71% of respondents)
- High internet access (90%)

#### Respondents' Outlook

- Almost universally happy with life in Nether Alderley (98%)
- On balance, perception is that life has improved over last 2-3 years

#### Character of Neighbourhood

- Dispersed, semi-rural, almost wholly dependent on the car for most needs
- 90% require car to visit the Post Office
- 69% (of parents) take primary children to school by car



## Key Messages (2)

#### Regional Impact

- Parish wholly dependent on neighbouring centres for local services
- Mainly supported by Alderley Edge, but being geographically dispersed, the parish looks in all directions.
  - 53% use Alderley Edge Post Office
  - 34% use Chelford Post Office
  - 8% Wilmslow
- Wilmslow attracts majority of grocery shoppers just.
  - Wilmslow 31%
  - Alderley Edge 26%
  - Handforth 18%
- Macclesfield does not feature significantly except for rail users, where it attracts 40% of the 75% who are inter-city users (60% use Wilmslow train station).



## Key Messages (3)

- What do Nether Alderley Residents Value?
- Planning
  - Overwhelming appeal of their rural surroundings (92%)
    - Peace and quiet (56%)
    - Privacy and low density dwellings (54%)
  - Solid opposition to commercial development and new housing
    - 53% oppose commercial development in the Green Belt irrespective of merit
    - Dobbies' planning proposal has raised anxiety and galvanised opinion
    - 73% think the replacement of large old houses with high density housing should not be allowed
    - 79% want no significant new housing development in the parish
    - 92% advocate limiting development to brown-field and in-filling sites only
- Safety & Security
  - N A is considered a safe place to live (82%). 27% are already in a Neighbourhood Watch scheme and 63% of the rest are interested in joining



## Key Messages (4)

#### • Public Services: Satisfaction Ratings

- Two areas stand out for particular praise:
  - Local GP services (78% satisfied)
  - CE's Waste & recycling service (76% satisfied)
- High level of criticism for:
  - Road maintenance and repair (67% dissatisfied)
  - Path & verge cleaning, including litter collection (56% dissatisfied)
  - Road cleaning (35% dissatisfied)
- Public Utilities provide mixed satisfaction ratings:
  - Most universal criticism is levelled at broadband provision (48% dissatisfied)
  - Significant dissatisfaction with Electricity (frequent power cuts) and Water (leaks)
- Experience of bus, fire and police services is limited.
  - None attract significant levels of criticism



## Key Messages (5)

#### • Traffic

- The bypass is lauded and criticised in equal measure with the open question section of the survey
  - Praise for relieving traffic on the main route through the parish and for reducing noise
  - Criticism for spoiling the landscape, by creating noise and light pollution for those near it, and for the Council for delaying compensation for those impacted
- There are serious concerns about a number of road safety issues:
  - No footpath along Bollington Lane where bypass traffic now speeds (legally up to 60mph) and overtakes
  - Driving too fast for the conditions on Sand Lane, Welsh Row, Nursery Lane and Artists Lane (currently legal up to 60mph)
  - Speed enforcement is an issue opposite the school and around the Mill / Church junction in the conservation area on Congleton Road where the current speed limit is also considered by many to be too high.



## Key Messages (6)

#### Social Life

- A significant minority feel there are insufficient opportunities for mixing (20%).
- 45% say they would be interested in more activities if they were available.
- Analysis of the 'wants' suggests that the primary problem could be a lack of communication about what is already available.
- Principal current activities include walking (47%), cycling (21%) and for some keep fit or pilates (20%).
- The most 'wants' are for a book group and a pub.
- Of the options suggested by the National Trust the natural play area attracted the most support (31%).
- 37% have used a CE library in the last 6 months and 8% claim access to a library is a problem for them.



## Key Messages (7)

#### Communications

- There is a large gap in communications regarding information and news in the neighbourhood. It is probably the largest and easiest issue to solve.
- A large minority (37%) do not regularly read any local newspaper (either paid or free), see AlderleyEdge.com or receive the church magazine.
- The most read are:
  - Wilmslow Express 37%
  - St Mary's Church Magazine 35%
  - AlderleyEdge.com 30%
- High lack of awareness of the Parish Council
  - Just under half don't have all the information they would like about the work of the parish council (44%) or know how to make contact (42%)
  - 30% don't know where to find a Parish Council notice board.
  - 50% now know about the website (awareness created by the survey?)



## **Key Messages (8)**

#### Children

- Most children enjoy the rural benefits of living in NA, especially those interested in country sports such as horse riding.
- But, there are several disadvantages:
  - No playground, playing field or anywhere for children to socialise.
  - Mainly dependent on parental transport for their social lives
  - Relatively low child population (so not very social)
- Few walk to school. Most are either driven to school by their parents or by bus.
  They are mainly dependent on similar transport for their social activities.
- There was widespread enthusiasm for the National Trust's proposals for a natural play area, mountain biking and permissive horse-rider routes.
- Amongst the 7-12 year group support for a playground is 100%.



## Recommendations



## **Recommendations (1)**

#### - Planning:

• Confirmation of commitment from CE to stand firm on preservation of the Green Belt and planning approvals regarding commercial and housing development.

#### – Road Safety:

- 30mph speed restrictions on Welsh Row, Sand Lane, Artists Lane, Nursery Lane and Congleton Road by the school and around the National Trust Mill and Church junction in the conservation area.
- Install path along Bollington Lane now an official route onto the bypass.
- Move the existing speed camera to a position adjacent to the school.
- Install pelican crossing or other feature to enable children to cross Congleton Road in safety.
- Provide facility for safe pedestrian crossing at Monks Heath junction (e.g. Red / Green man option on traffic signals)

#### - Safety & Security:

• Encourage and facilitate local police promotion of Neighbourhood / Rural Watch scheme and provide appropriate facilities to meet perceived need and foster community spirit.



## **Recommendations (2)**

#### Infrastructure

• Address issues holding up delivery of fast fibre optic broadband to the village.

#### - Maintenance & Appearance:

- Explore the concept of re-establishing 'Lengthsmen' (on volunteer basis if necessary) to monitor potholes, maintenance and cleaning issues, liaising with CEC departments and marshalling volunteers as necessary for tasks including litter-picking etc.
- Establish regular maintenance regime for clearing paths, drains and ditches and trimming verges and hedges with CEC (contacting private individuals where it is their responsibility), including cleaning of signs.
- Restore damaged speed restriction sign at entrance to the conservation area.
- Explore prospect of introduction of measures to encourage horse owners to clean up 'droppings' from pavements.
- Investigate potential for reducing frequency of power cuts.



## **Recommendations (3)**

#### – Communications:

- Encourage NAPC to publish more details of their activities on their website and to explore the possibility of an online newsletter or investigate potential for greater liaison between NAPC and AlderleyEdge.com as happens with Alderley Edge Parish Council.
- Refurbish and improve the quality and content of NAPC notice boards, including the provision of an extra board where it might be seen by more residents (near the postbox by the Market Cross perhaps).
- Explore the possibility of creating a 'Community' website and notice board for anything other than parish council notices with a co-ordinator liaising with the church and other local organisations such as Friends of St Mary's to publicise information about the facilities, activities and current events undertaken or planned in the village.



## **Recommendations (4)**

#### – Beautification:

- Install 'Welcome to Nether Alderley Please drive carefully through the village' signage and signs informing visitors about the key sites in the village.
- Directions to parking places.
- Secure agreement for the planting spring bulbs and seek volunteers for the task.
- Restore Cheshire railings. Explore availability of grants, use of volunteers and response of landowners.
- Explore possibility of restoration of market cross (ancient monument issues as well as funding such as grants or sponsorship).

#### – Recreation:

• Support the National Trust's proposed initiatives and explore opportunity for a playground.

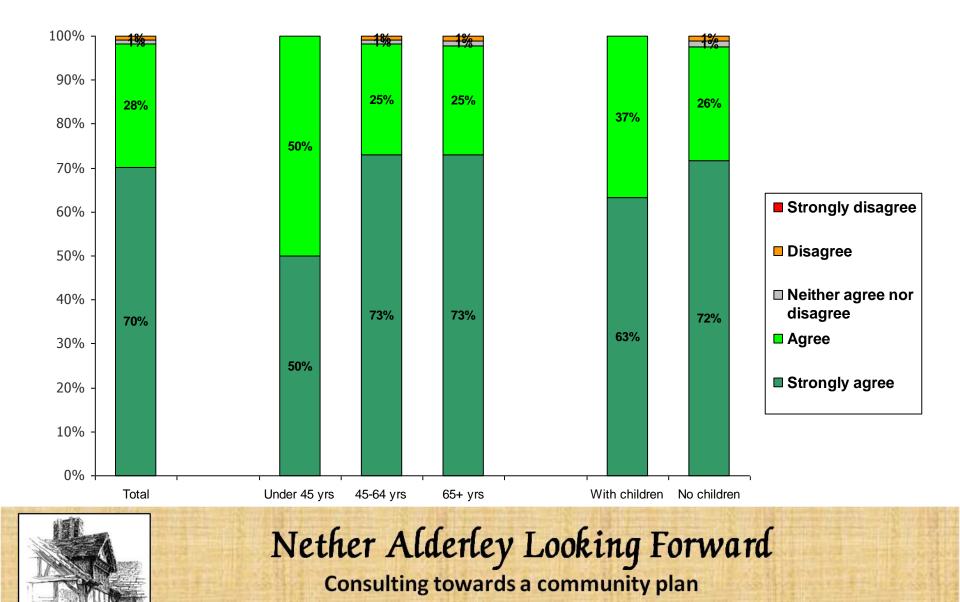


# Adult Survey Detailed Results



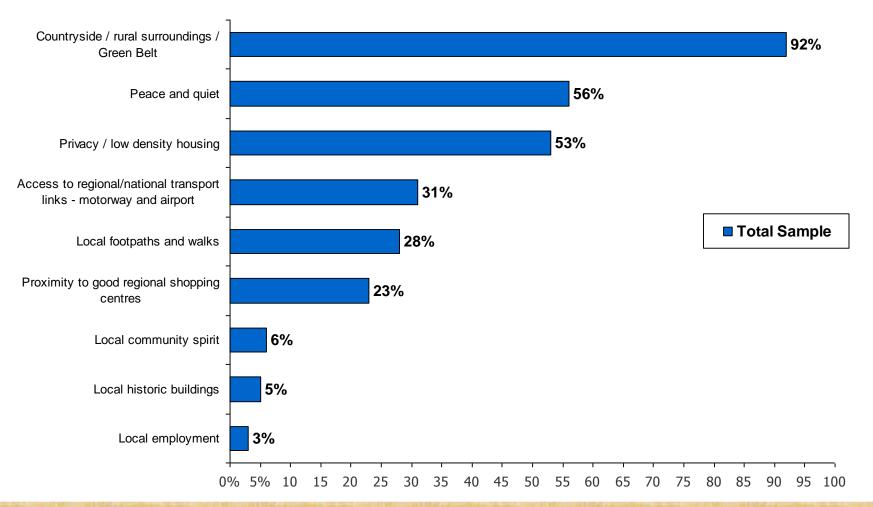
### Satisfaction with life in Nether Alderley

Q1. I am happy living in Nether Alderley



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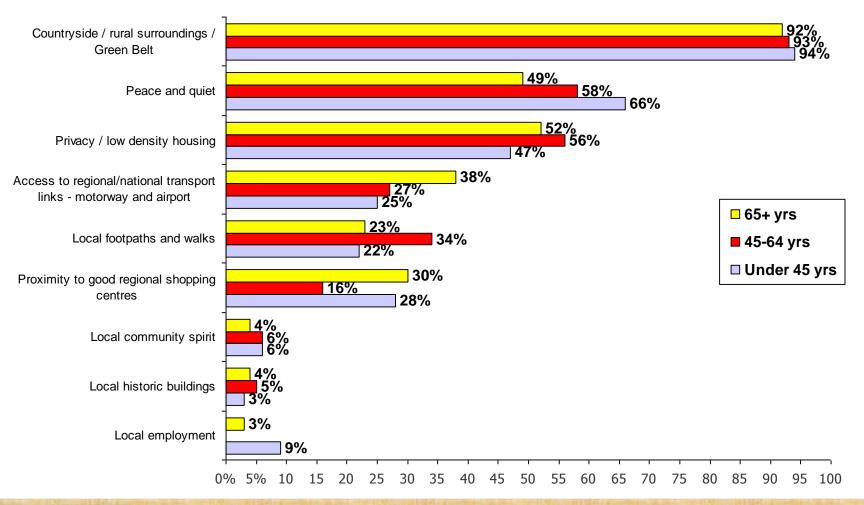
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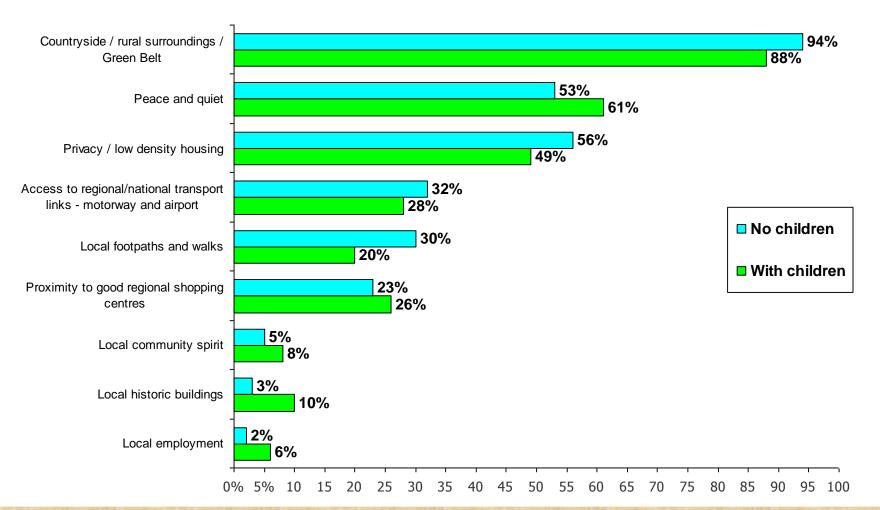
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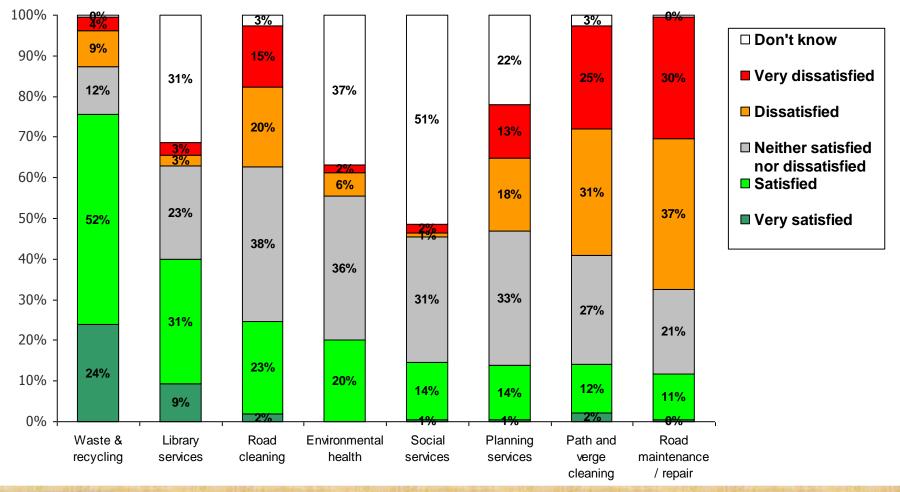
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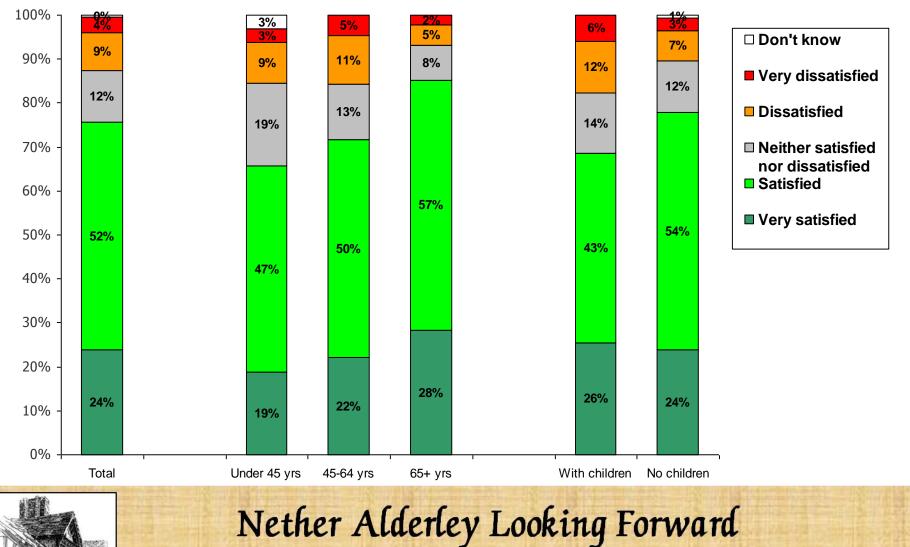


Q3-10. How satisfied are you with each of the following local public services provided by Cheshire East Council?





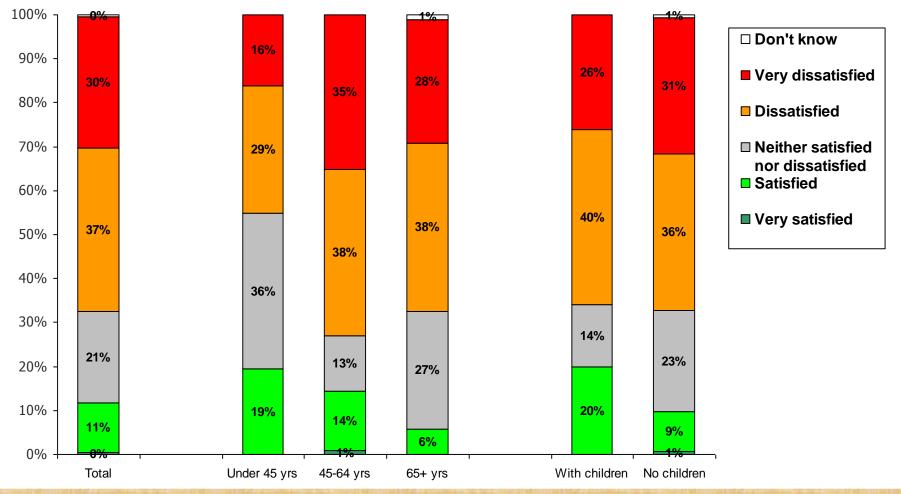
Q3. How satisfied are you with the <u>Waste & Recycling</u> service provided by Cheshire East Council?



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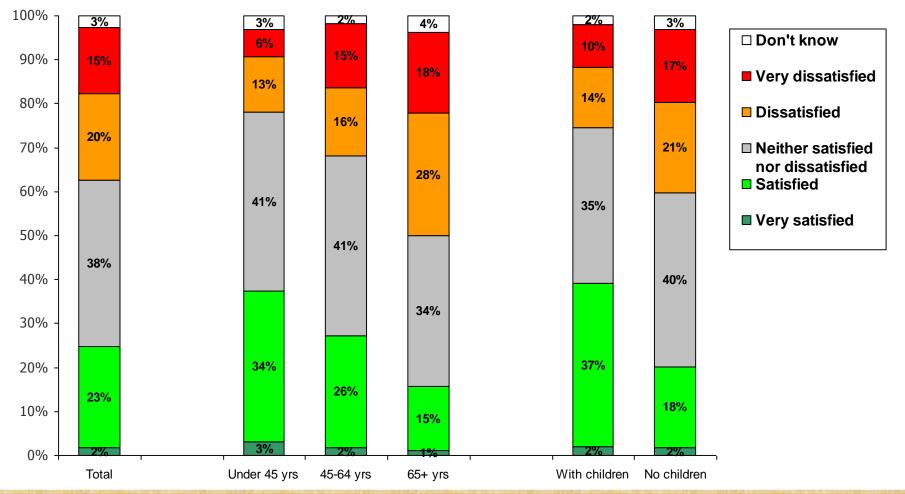
Q4. How satisfied are you with the Road & Maintenance Repair service provided by

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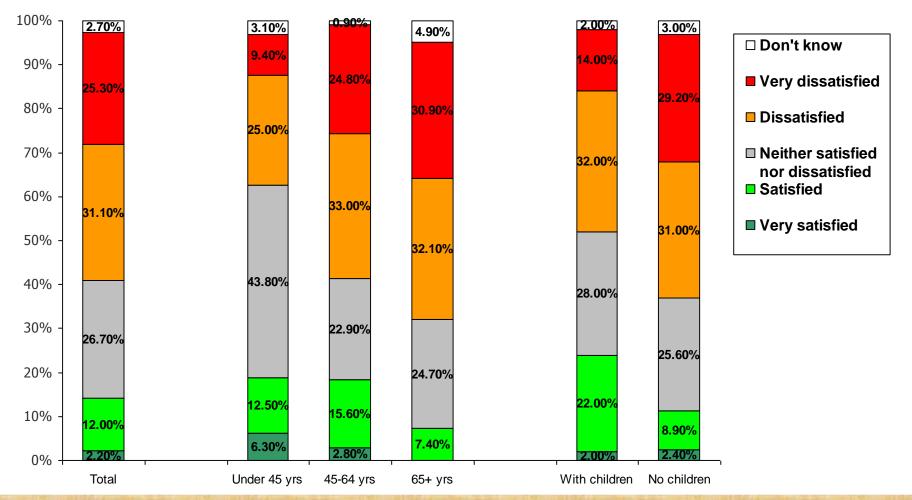


Q5. How satisfied are you with the <u>Road Cleaning</u> service provided by Cheshire East Council?





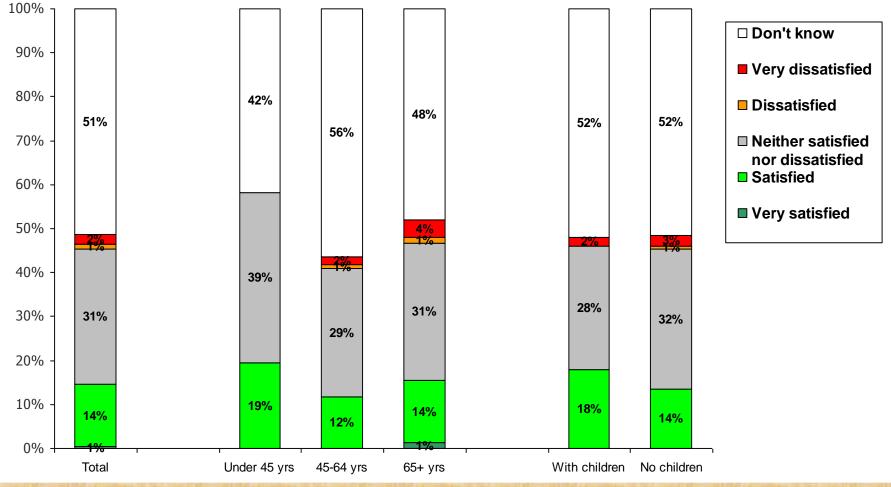
Q6. How satisfied are you with the <u>Path & Verge Cleaning</u> service provided by Cheshire East Council?





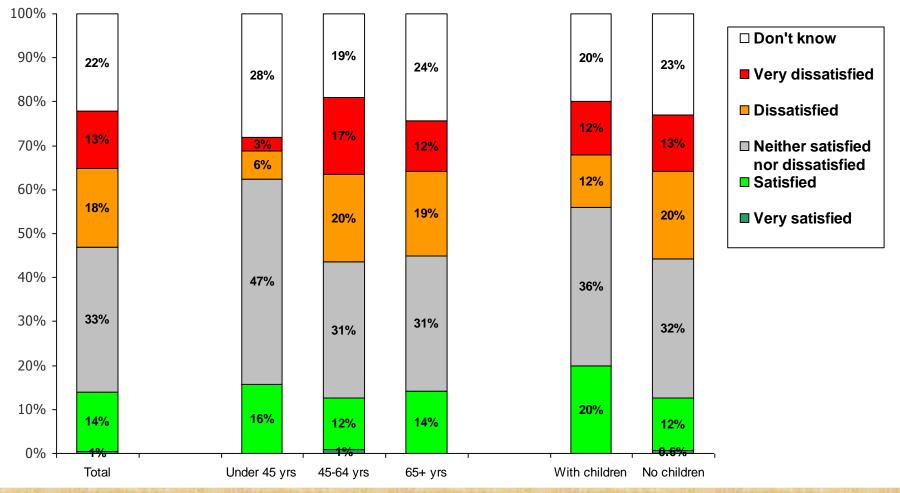
Q7. How satisfied are you with <u>Social Services</u> provided by

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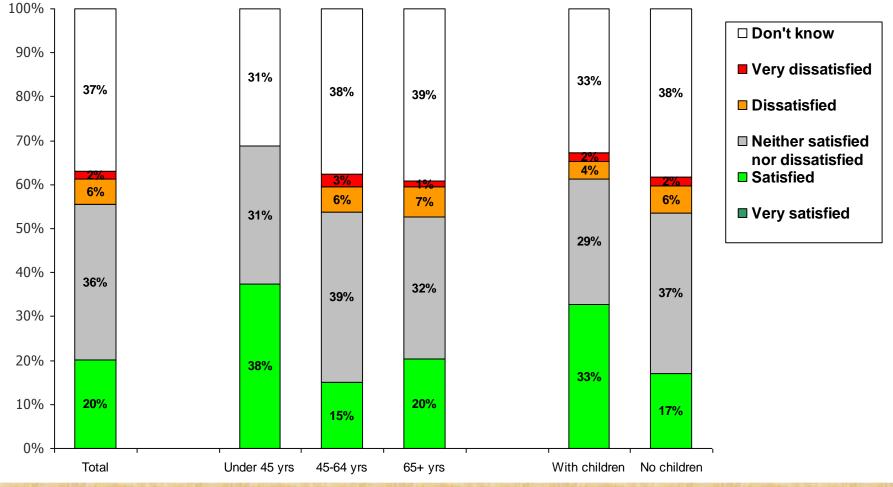
Q8. How satisfied are you with <u>Planning</u> services provided by Cheshire East Council?





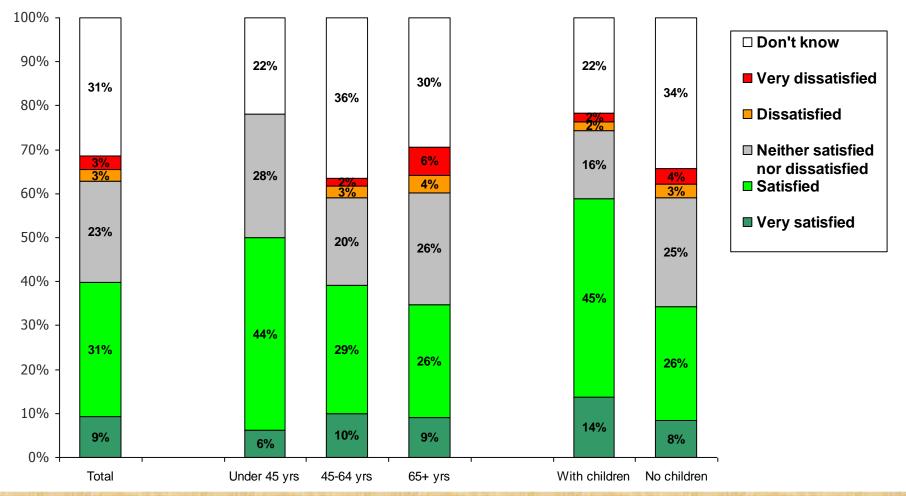
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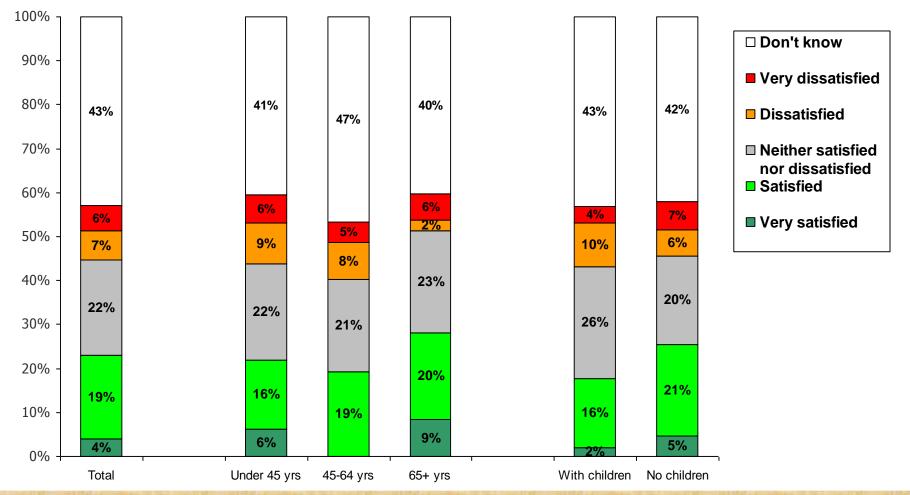


Q10. How satisfied are you with <u>Library</u> services provided by Cheshire East Council?



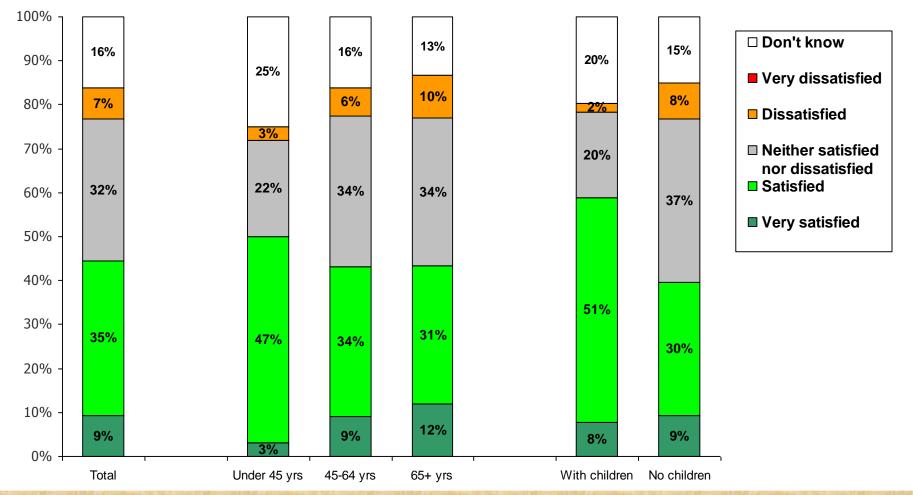


Q11. How satisfied are you with the Local Bus service?



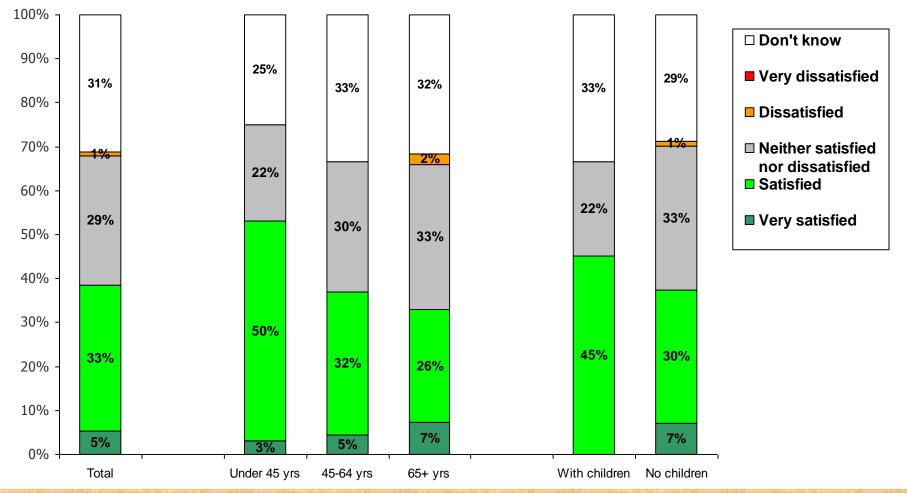


Q12. How satisfied are you with the local Police service?



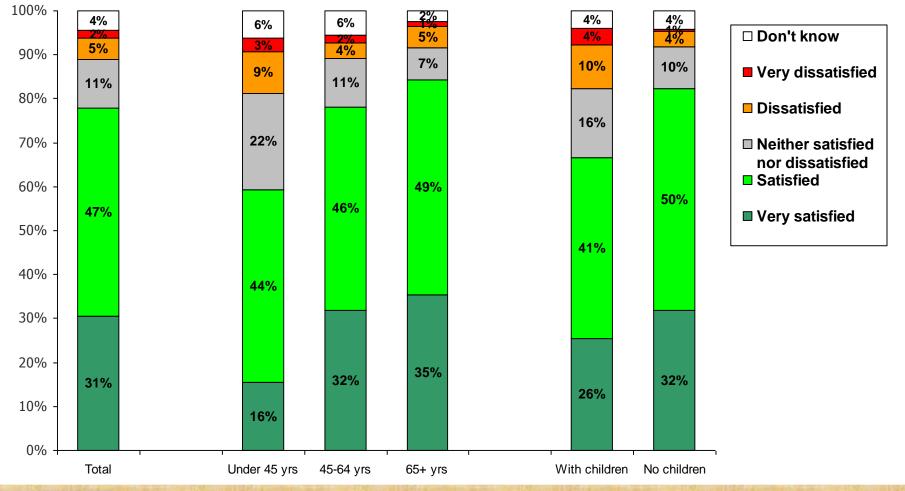


Q13. How satisfied are you with the local Fire Service?



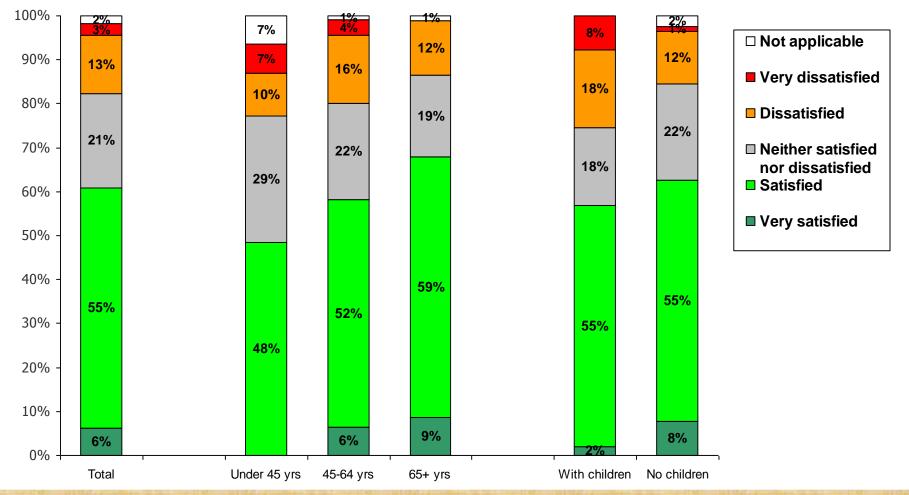


Q14. How satisfied are you with the local <u>Health Service (GP)</u>?



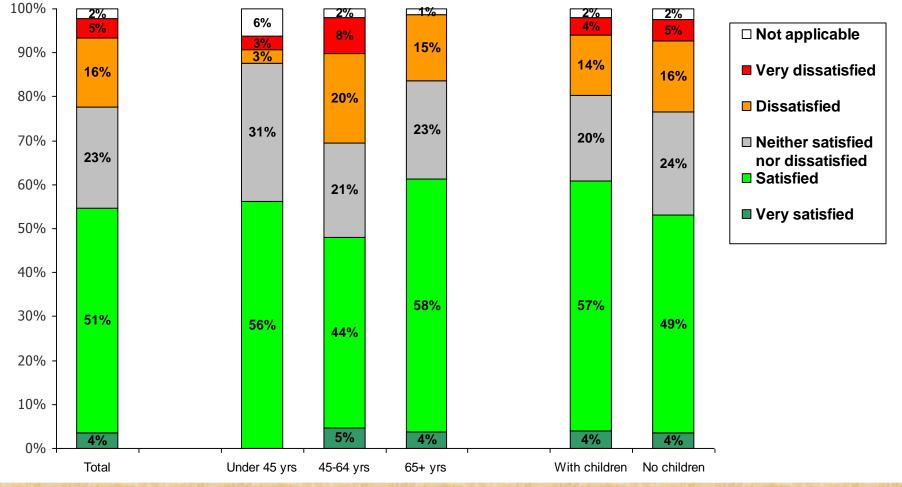


Q15. How satisfied are you with the local Water supplier?



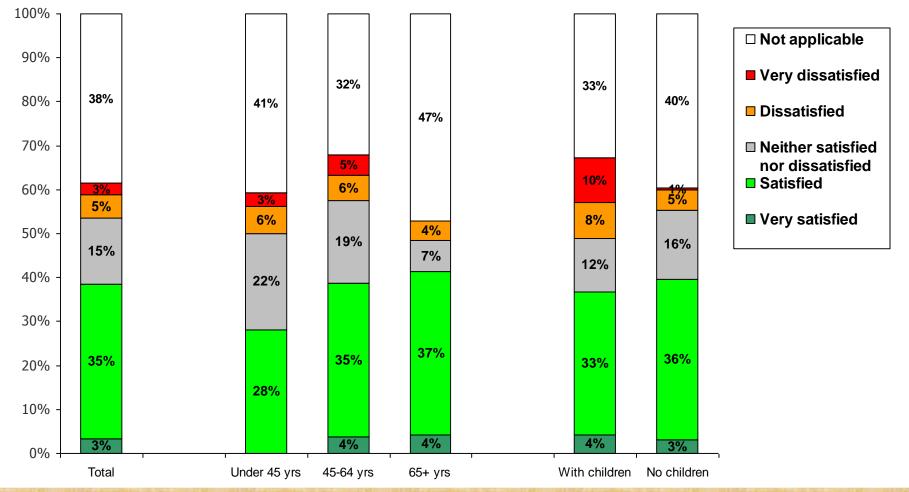


Q16. How satisfied are you with the local Electricity supplier?



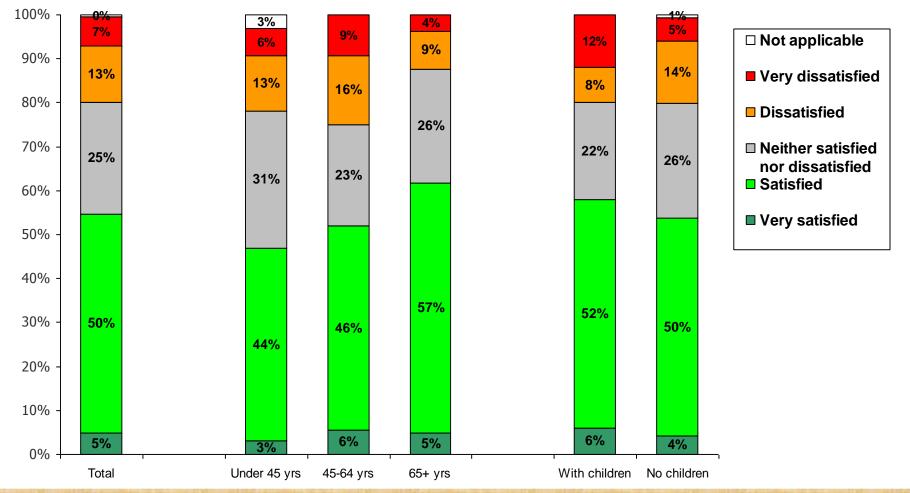


Q17. How satisfied are you with the local Mains Gas supplier?



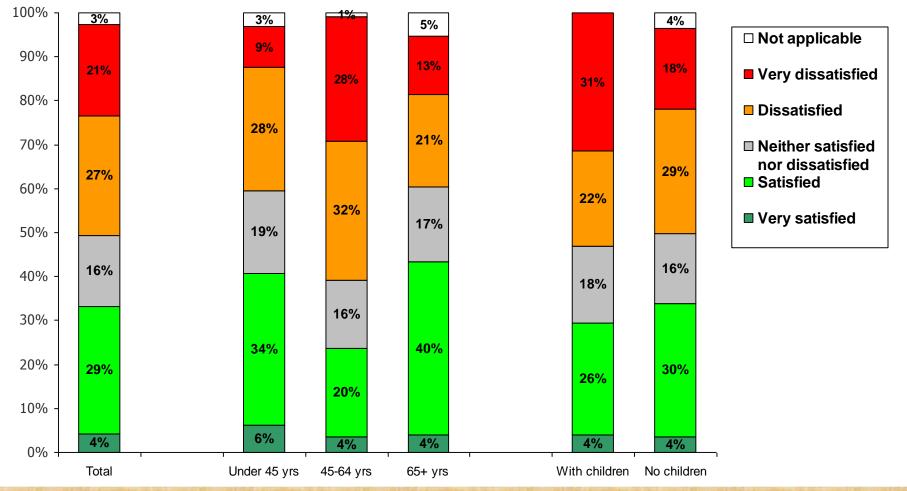


Q18. How satisfied are you with your Landline Telephone service?





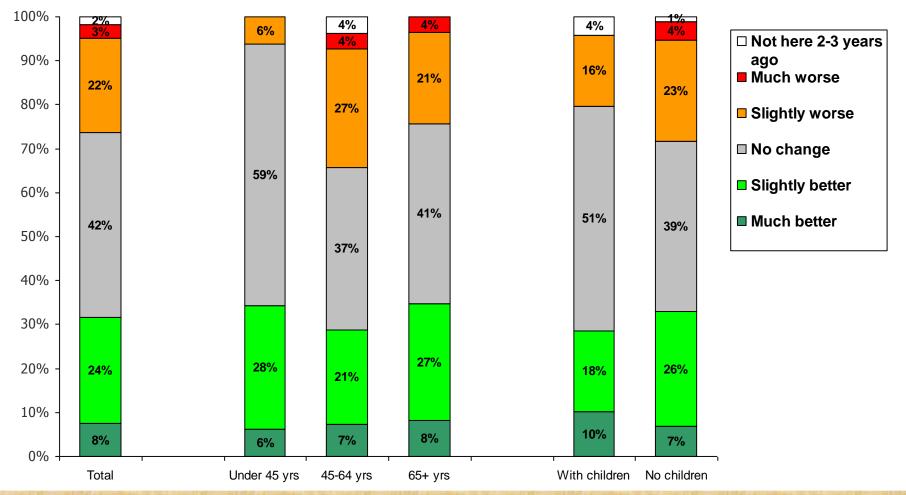
Q19. How satisfied are you with your **Broadband** provider?





# **Overall Perception: Trend**

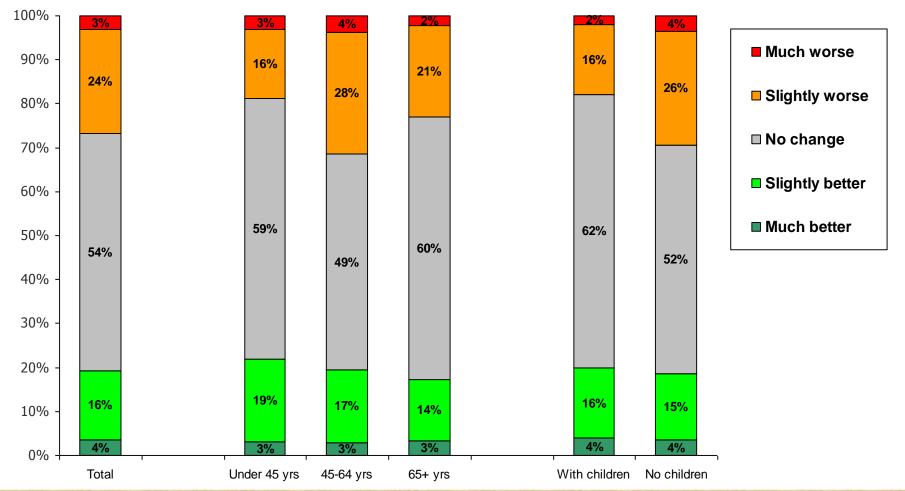
Q20. Taking everything into consideration, is the way you feel about living in Nether Alderley better or worse than it was 2-3 years ago?





# **Overall Perception: Prospects**

Q21. Now thinking about the future here in Nether Alderley, is your expectation that it is likely to get better or worse than it is now?





# Respondents' Spontaneous Comments on the Neighbourhood & their Public Services

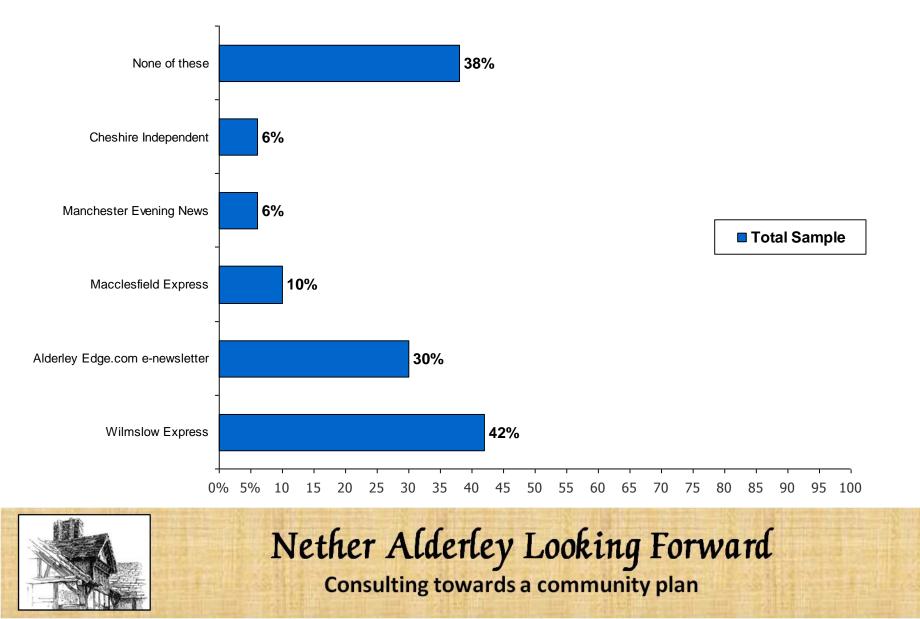
Q22. Do you have any specific comments on your satisfaction with the neighbourhood or the provision of local public services?

- Top of mind issues: Just under a third of respondents chose to comment.
- Roads:
  - Perceived lack of adequate road maintenance (pot holes), gutter, drain, ditch, verge and pavement clearing.
  - Strong mixed views on bypass: much noisier for some, less congestion, improved safety and quieter for others.
  - Traffic speed a top-of-mind issue in several specific locations.
- Utilities:
  - Frustratingly slow broadband speed
  - Frequent power cuts and water leaks
- Planning:
  - Anxiety about CE's commitment to maintaining Green Belt and the low density rural character of the locality.



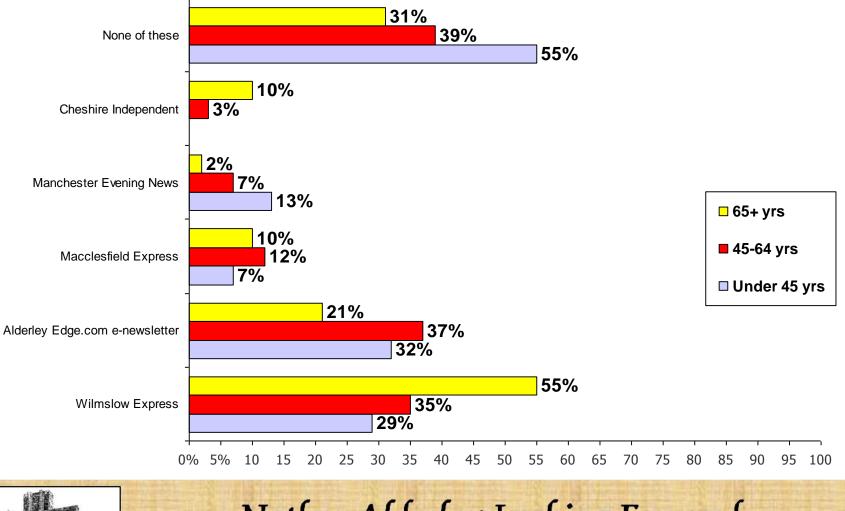
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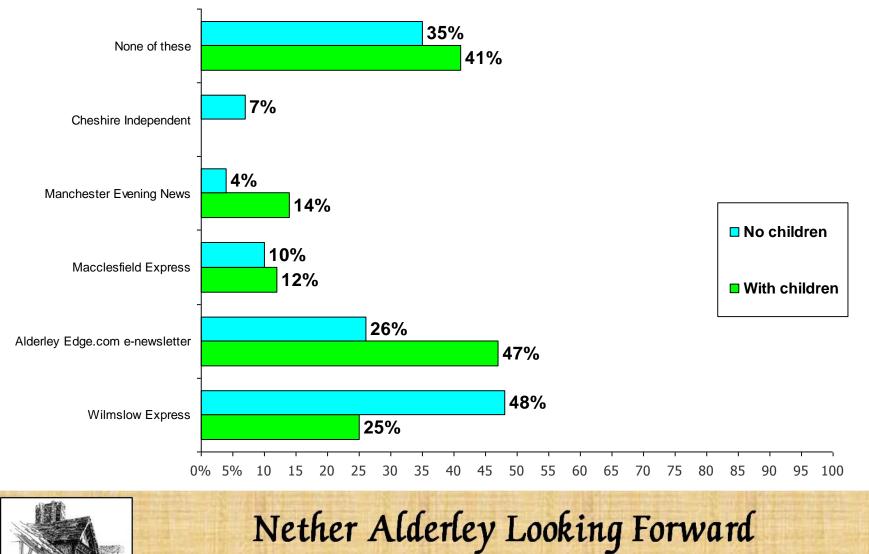
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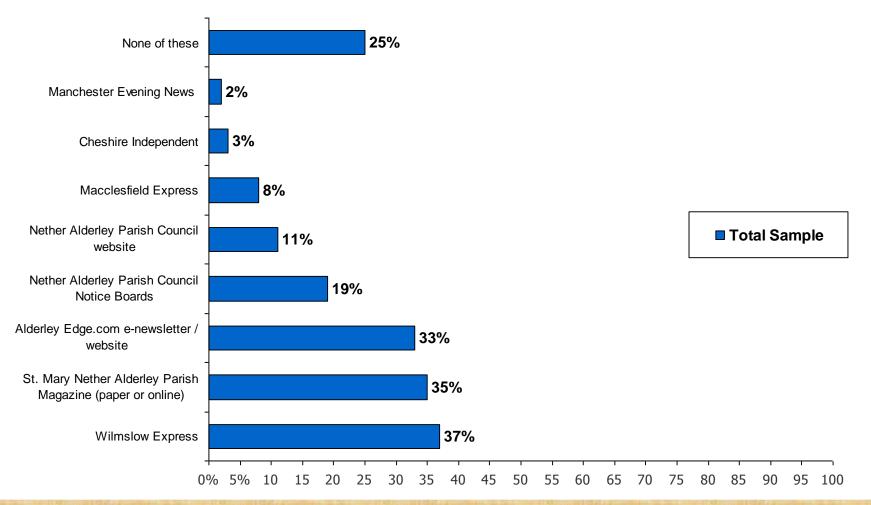


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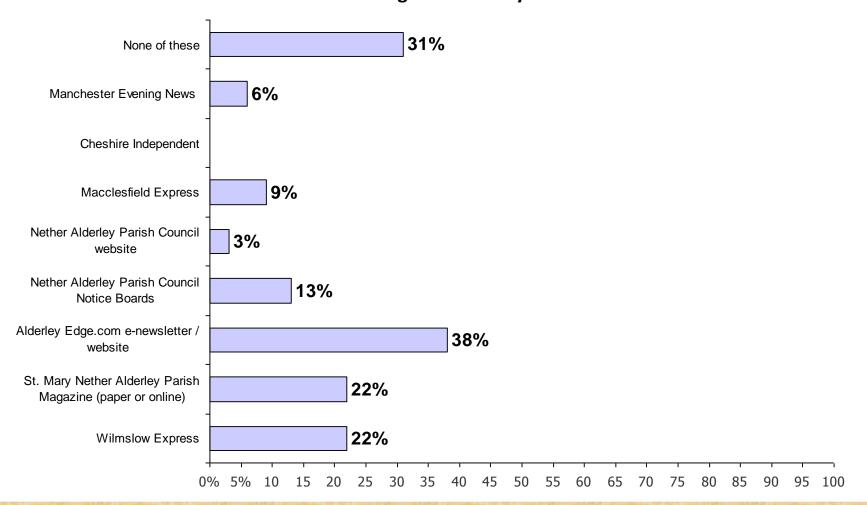


Q24. Where do you find out about activities and news of Nether Alderley?



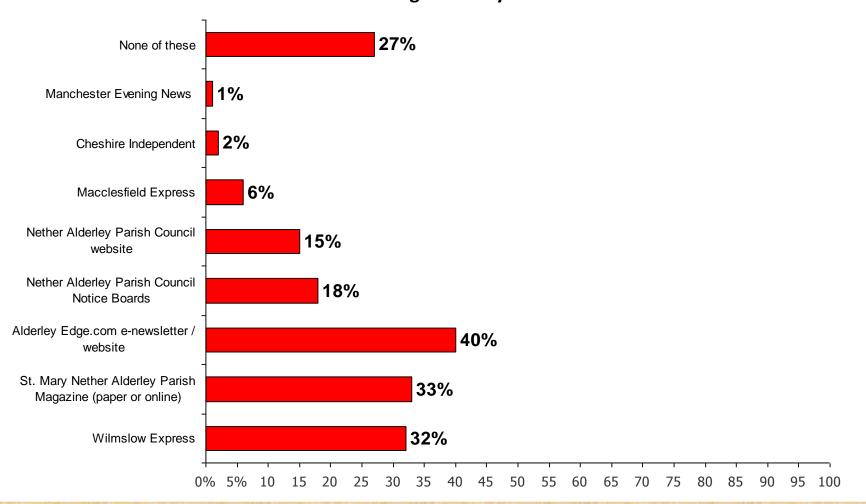


Q24. Where do you find out about activities and news of Nether Alderley? Age: Under 45 yrs





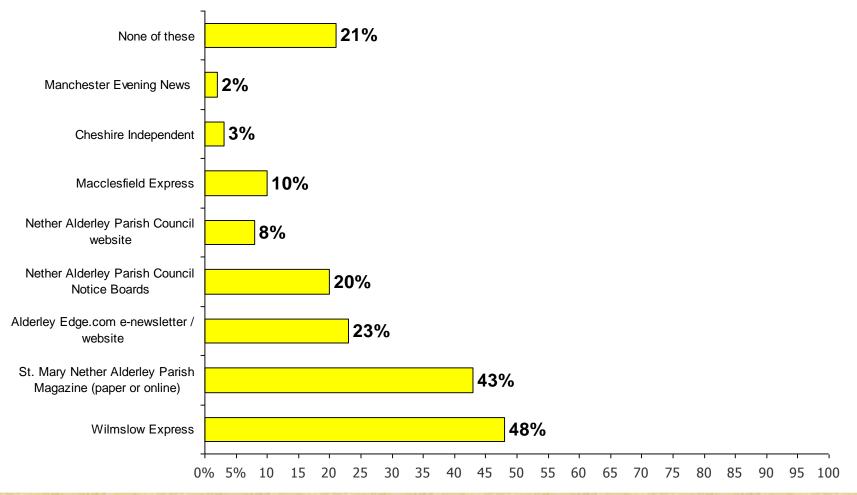
Q24. Where do you find out about activities and news of Nether Alderley? Age: 45-64 yrs





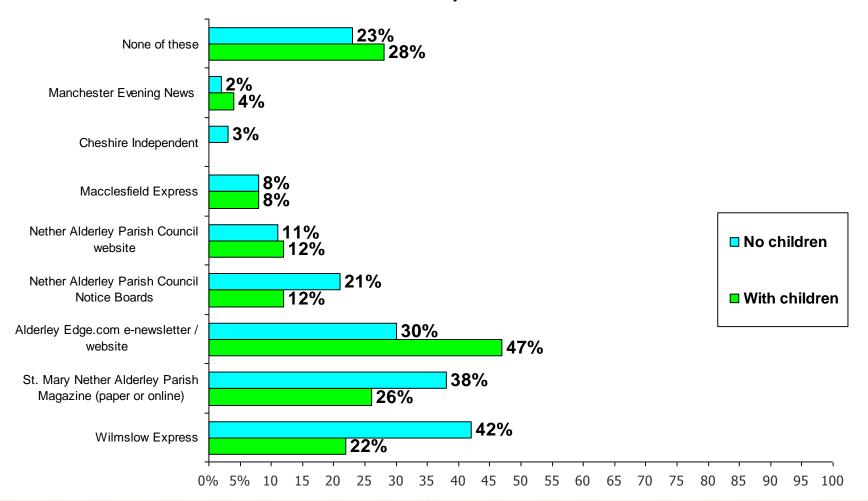
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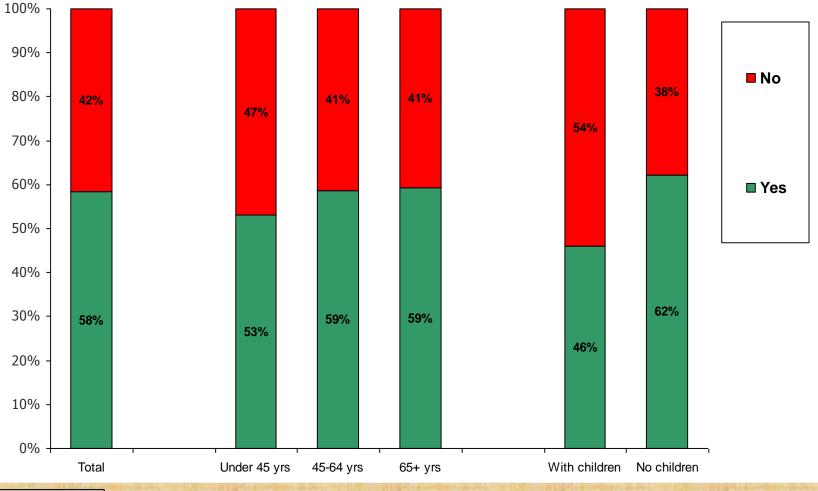
Q24. Where do you find out about activities and news of Nether Alderley? Family Status





### **Communications: Access to Parish Council**

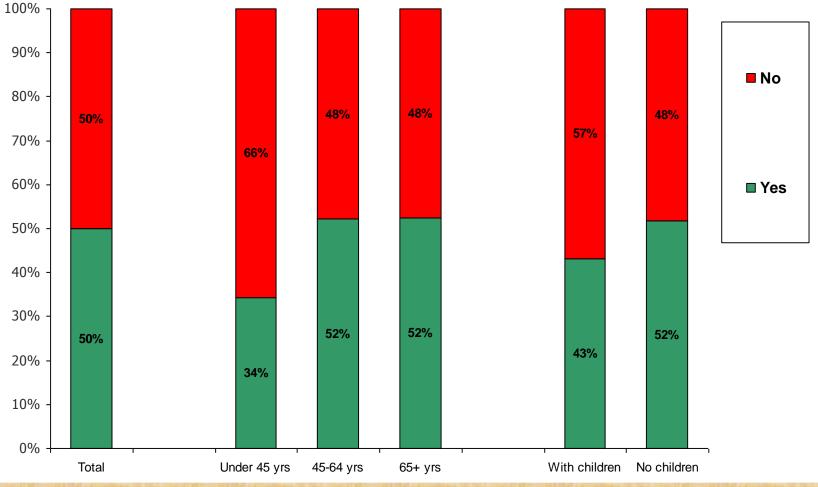
Q25. Do you know how to contact Nether Alderley Parish Council?





## **Communications: Parish Council's Website**

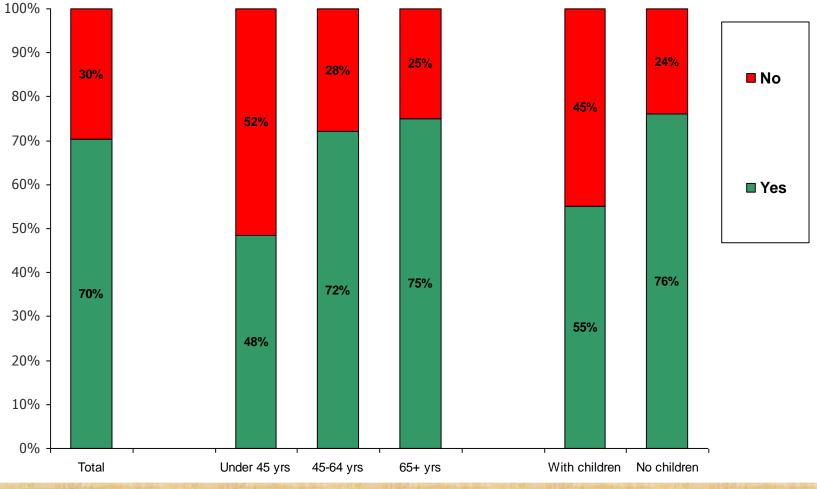
Q26. Are you aware that Nether Alderley Parish Council has a website?





### **Communications: Parish Council Notice Boards**

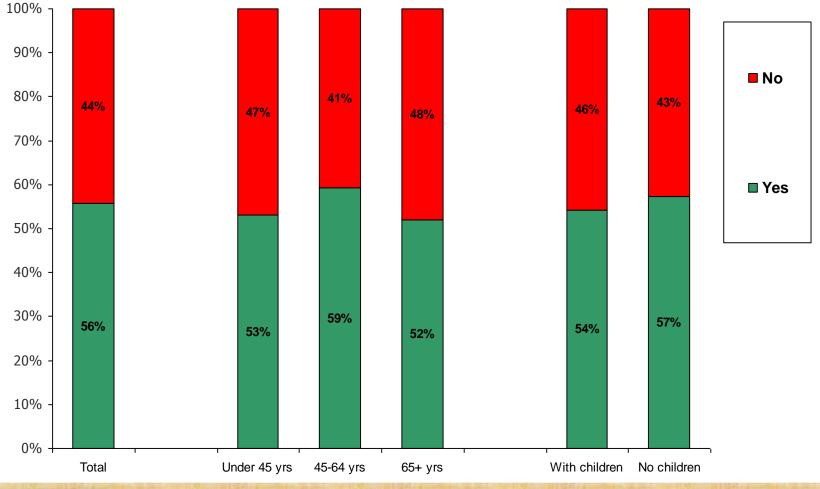
Q27. Do you know where to find a Nether Alderley Parish Council notice board?





# **Communications: Access to Parish Council Info**

Q28. Do you have access to all the information you need about the activities of Nether Alderley Parish Council?





# Respondents' Spontaneous Comments on Communications

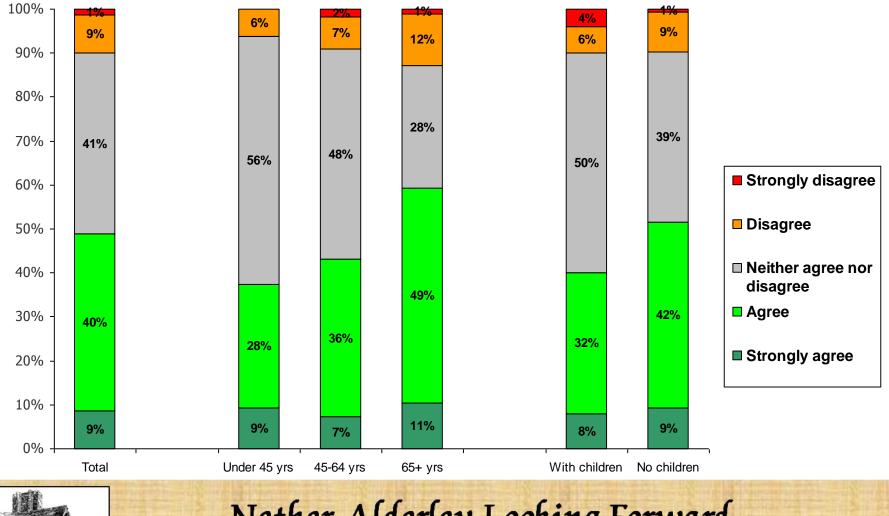
Q29. Do you have any additional comments or suggestions regarding local news/ communications?

- General:
  - Only 12% responded implying that it's not an important issue for most.
  - The free local paper is not distributed in Nether Alderley. Expectation that the Parish Council should be more visible.
- Notice boards:
  - Notice boards could be more effective. An additional board, and more information on them could help.
- Online:
  - The Parish Council is not considered pro-active in managing communications despite having a website that most find attractive.
  - More information about local activities and the parish council's meetings could be made available online through the website and online newsletters.



# Social & Leisure: Parish Hall

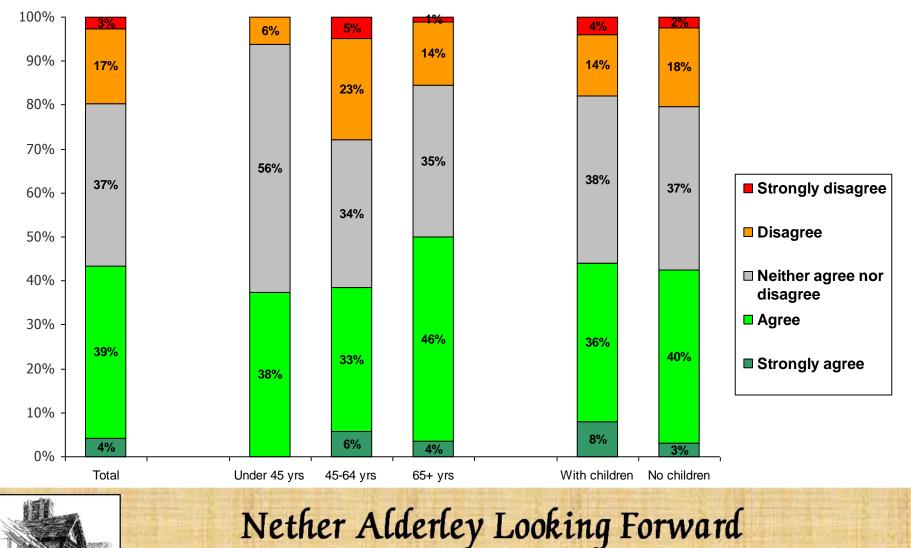
Q30. I am content with the public meeting room facilities (parish hall) in Nether Alderley.



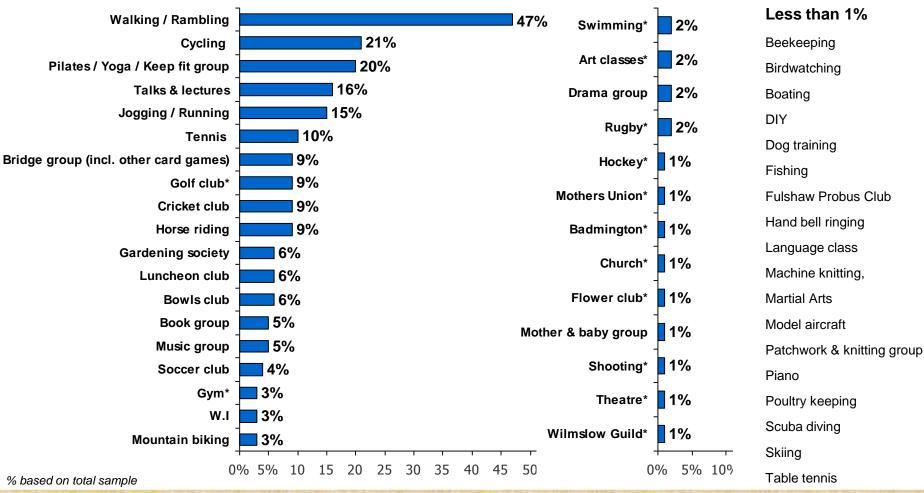


# **Social & Leisure: Meeting & Mixing**

Q31. The existing opportunities for meeting and mixing locally are adequate for my needs

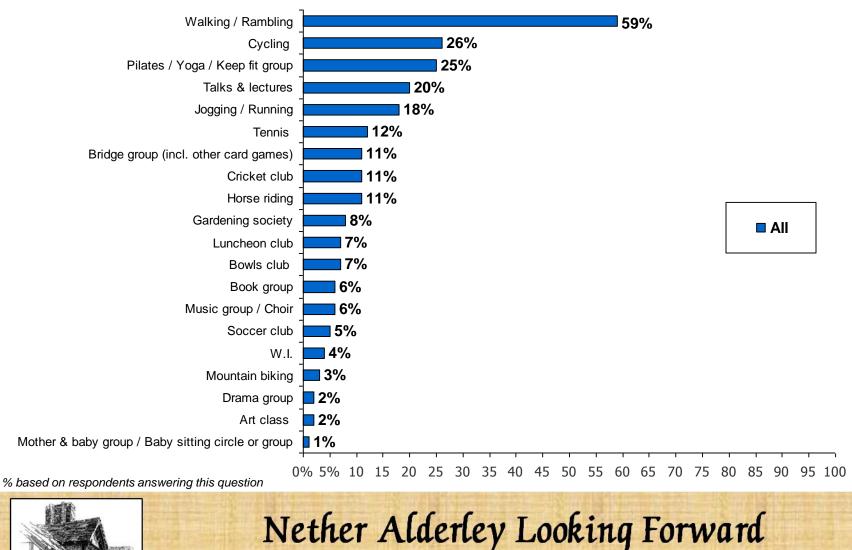


Q32. Which, if any, of the following leisure activities do you currently enjoy/participate in, whether in NA or anywhere else? [Including additional 'Other' responses.]

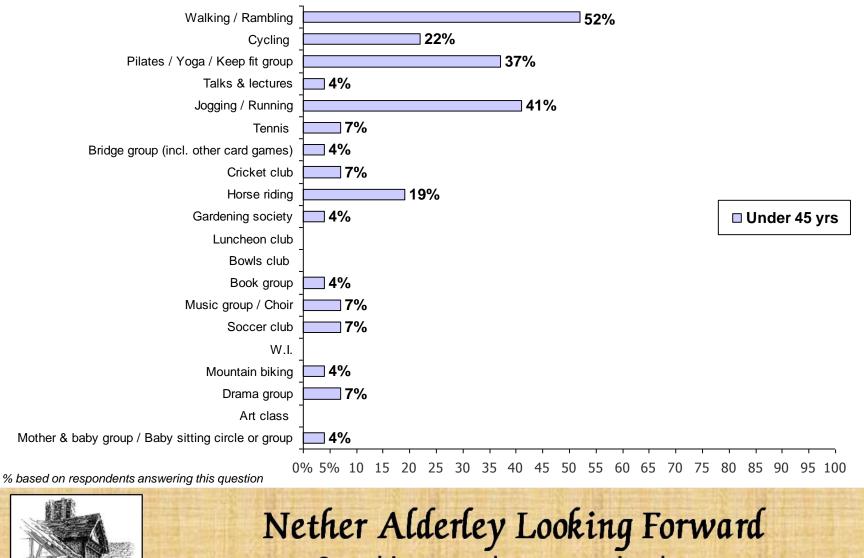




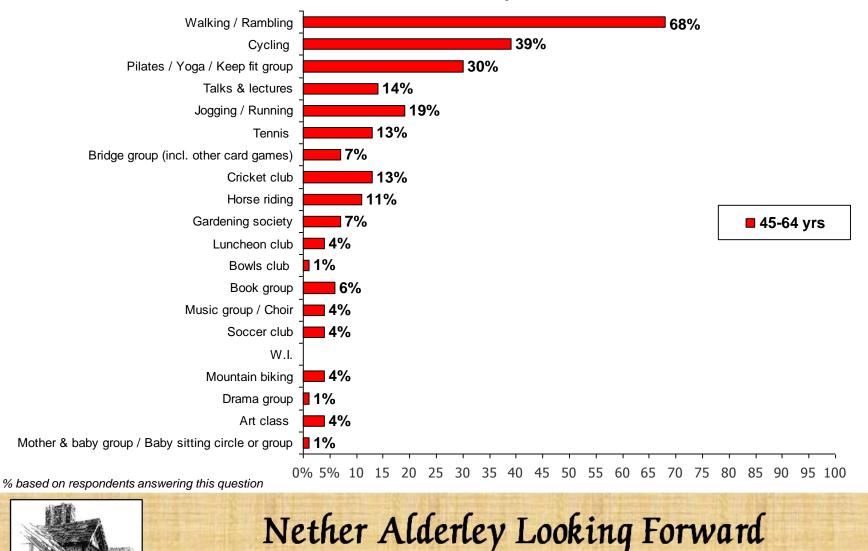
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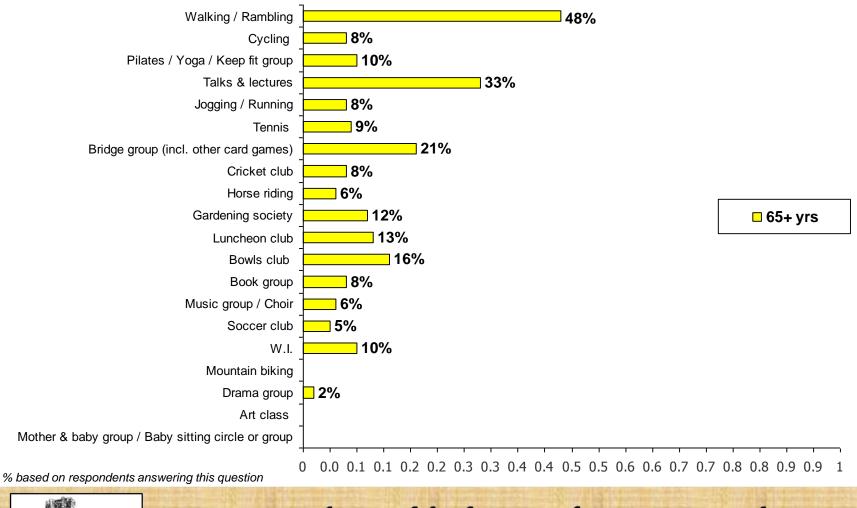
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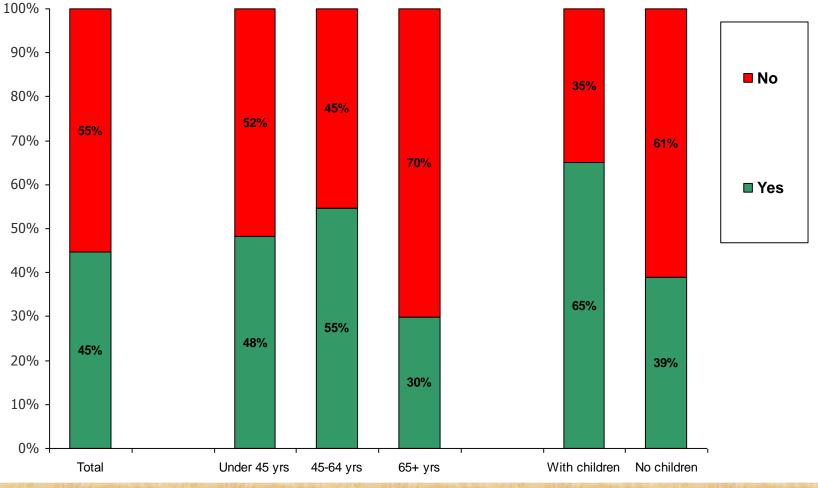


# Q32. Which, if any, of the following leisure activities do you currently enjoy/participate in, whether in NA or anywhere else?





Q33. If new activities were offered in Nether Alderley, would you be interested?





# **Social & Leisure: Activities Suggested**

Q34. If 'yes' to interest in new activities in Nether Alderley, which do you want?

Most Popular Suggestions No.		
Book group	9	
Pub/wine bar	7	
Talks and lectures.	8	
Any local group where locals get together socially	8	
Bowls	6	
Art Class	5	
Bridge Club	5	
Gardening society	5	
Walking group	4	
Keep fit classes	3	
Childrens playground	2	
Choir	2	
Dancing/zumba	2	
Film club	2	
Music group	2	

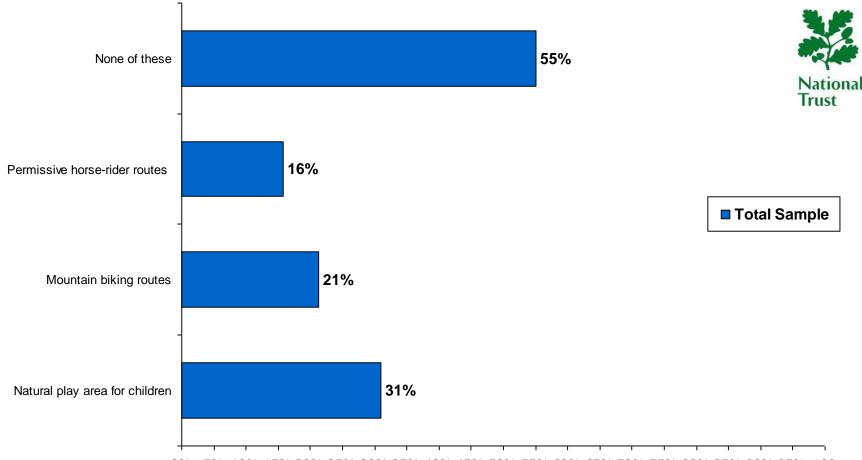
Other suggestions (single comments):

		Indoor wall rock climbing.
	Access to Astra Zeneca sports club.	Knitting club
	Apiary	Ladies night
	Cake club	Line dancing
	Concerts.	Live music
	Council land to be given over for allotments &	Luncheon group
	gardens. Cycling proficiency test centres,	Mother and tots group
		NADFAS
	Cycling routes (without cars) especially for children	Netball
	Discussion group	Pilates
	Drama group	Play reading
	Fishing	Rock wall climbing.
	Football	Running club
	Foreign language tuition	swimming
	'Heritage' and keeping public areas clean and tidy on a voluntary basis.	Table tennis group
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	Horse riding	Tennis
	Ice skating,	Use of AstraZeneca sports facilities
	Indoor bowling	WI
	Indoor skiing	Yoga



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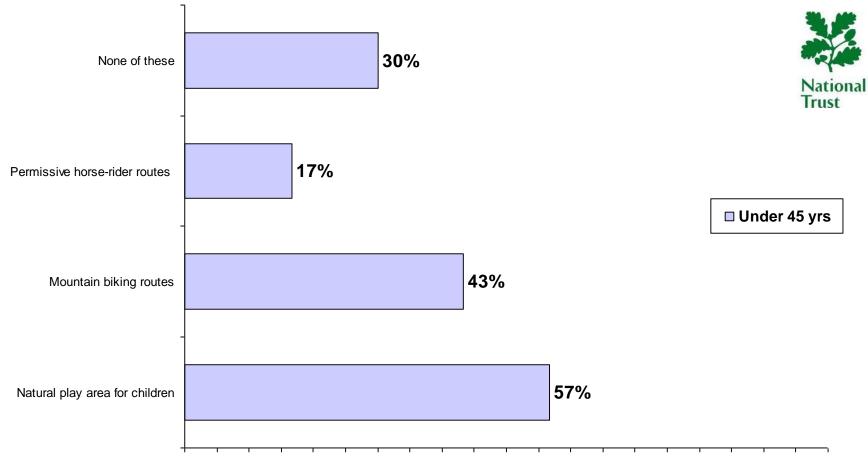


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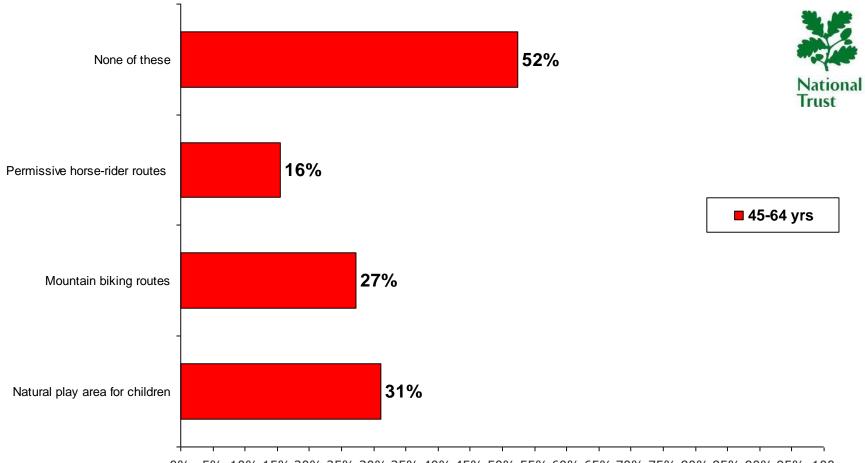


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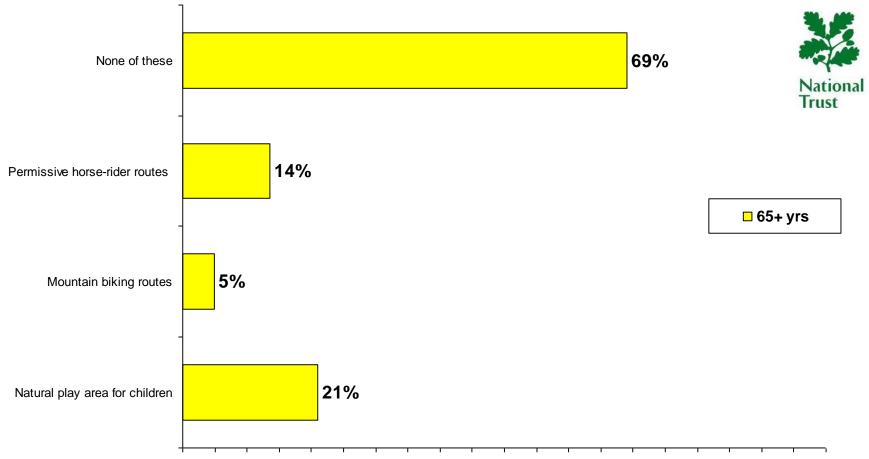


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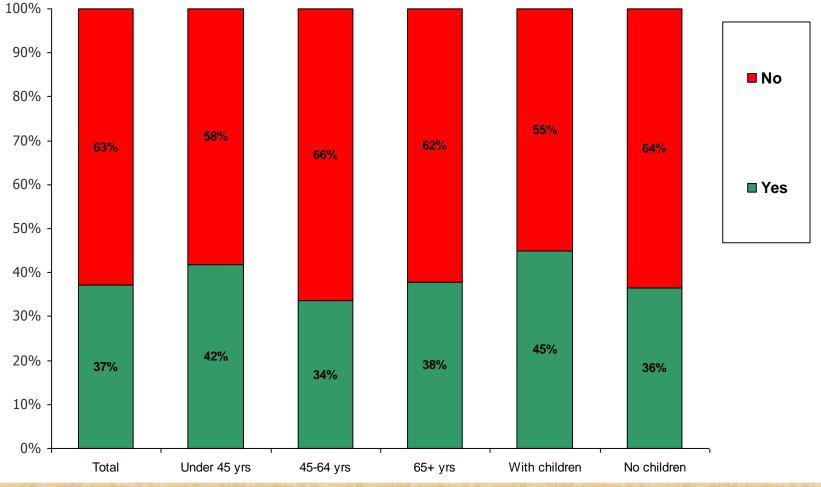


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# Social & Leisure: Library Usage

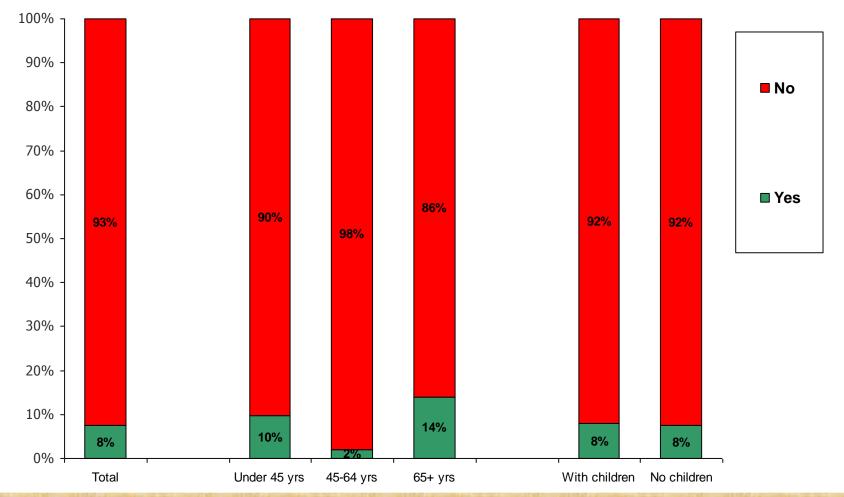
Q36. Have you used a Cheshire East library in the last 6 months?





### **Social & Leisure: Library Access**

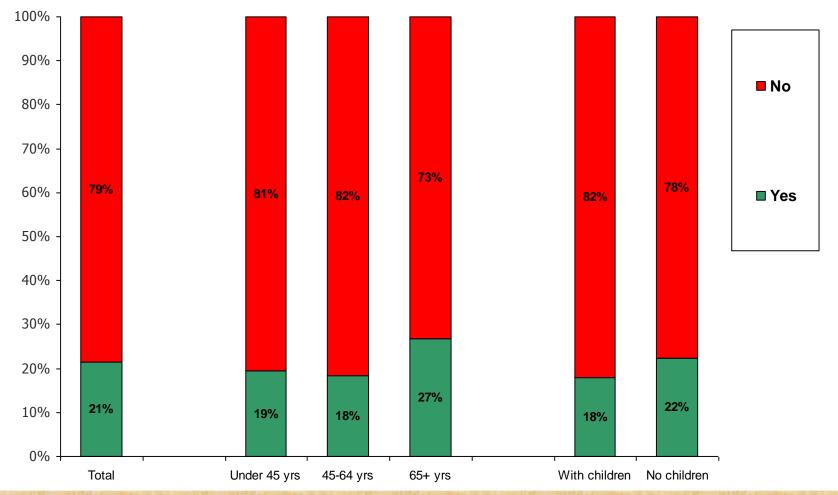
Q37. Is access to a library a problem for you?





# Social & Leisure: Parish Hall Usage

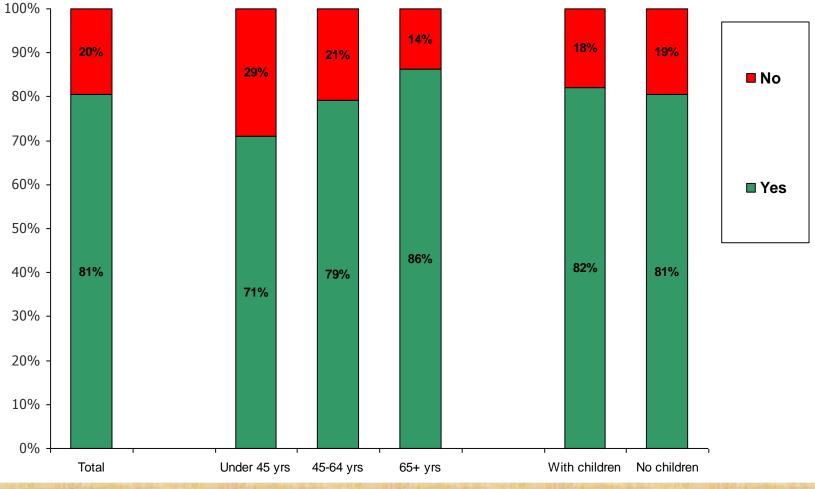
Q38. Have you used the Parish Hall for any activity in the last 6 months?





# Social & Leisure: Parish Hall Availability for Hire

Q39. Are you aware that the Parish Hall is available for hire?





# Respondents' Spontaneous Comments on Social & Leisure Issues

Q40. Do you have any additional comments on social and leisure issues in the parish?

#### • General :

- Only 13% responded to this question suggesting it's not a key issue for most.
- General lament that social interaction could be better.
- Except for church goers or primary school parents there being no focus for meeting, no pub, children's play area, picnic spot or shop.
- A refurbished parish hall would become a more attractive venue for activities.

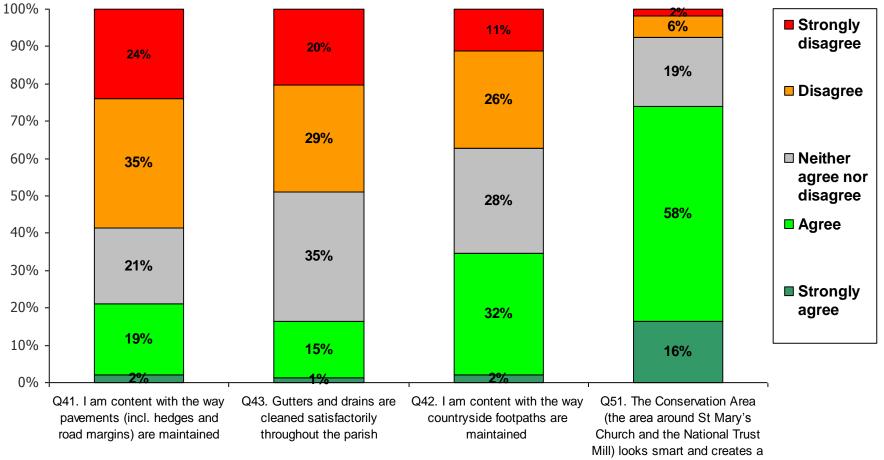
#### • Lack of Information:

 Several respondents clearly feel unaware of what's going on or what's available in the parish.



# **Local Environmental Issues**

Q41-51. Attitudes towards the following statements

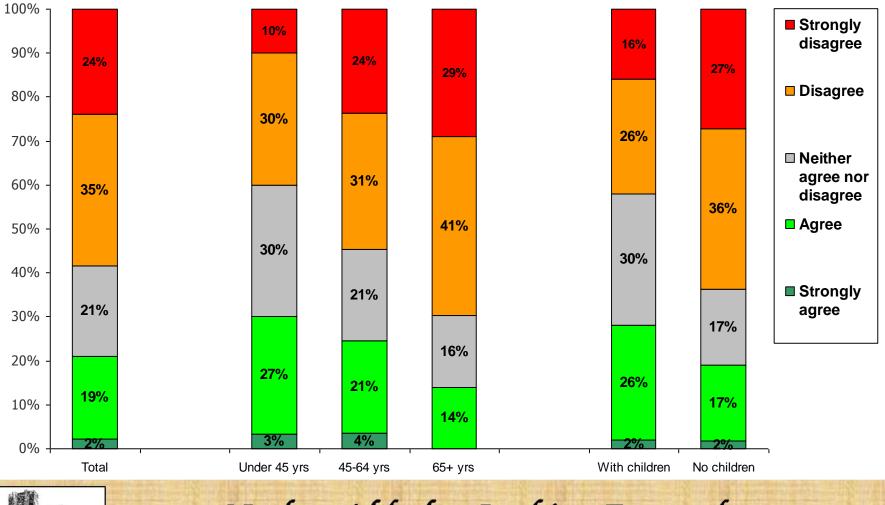


good impression for visitors



# **Local Environmental Issues: Pavements**

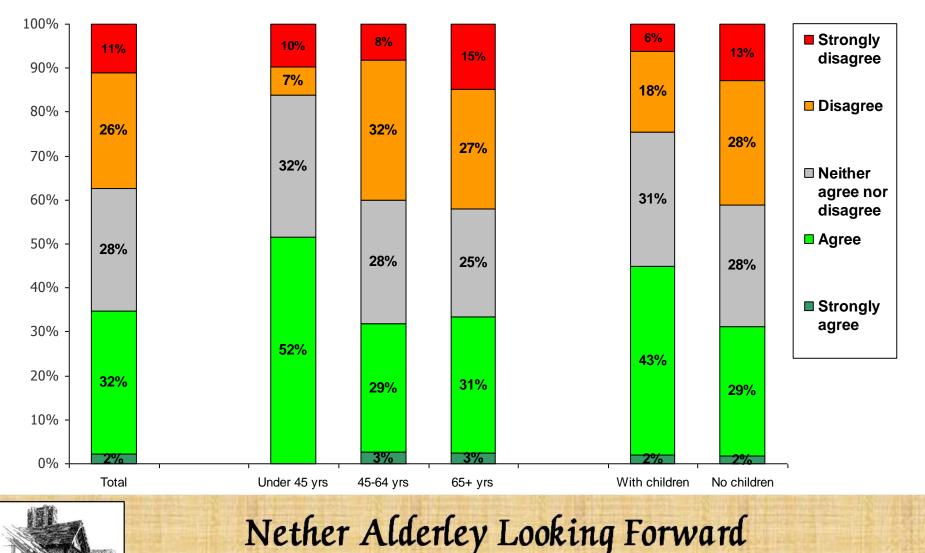
Q41. I am content with the way pavements (incl. hedges and road margins) are maintained

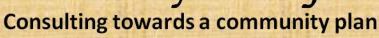




# **Local Environmental Issues: Footpaths**

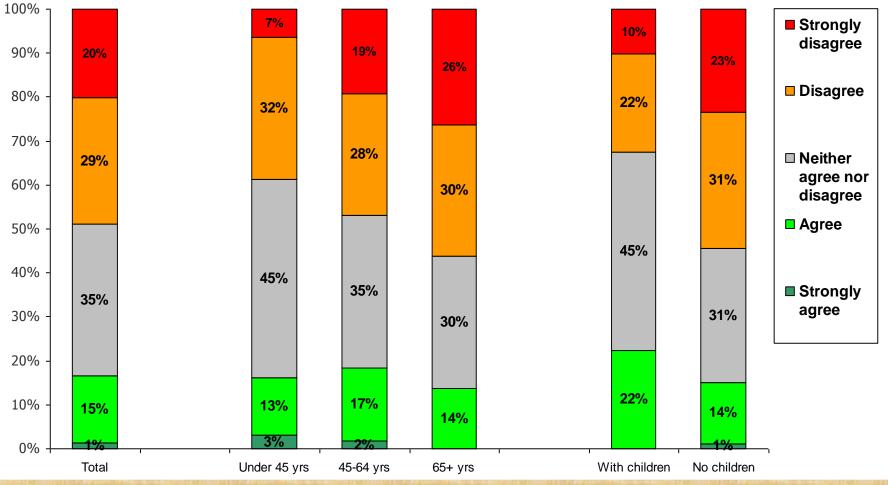
Q42. I am content with the way countryside footpaths are maintained





# Local Environmental Issues: Gutters & Drains

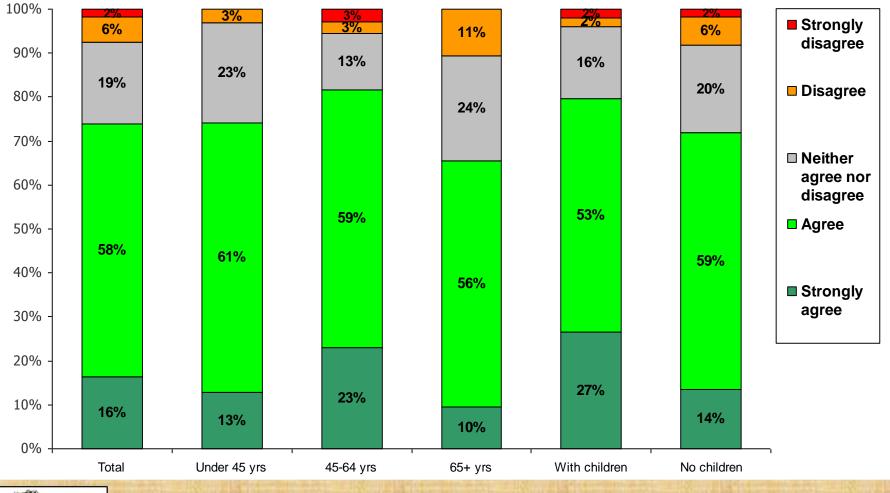
Q43. Gutters and drains are cleaned satisfactorily throughout the parish





# **Local Environmental Issues: Conservation Area**

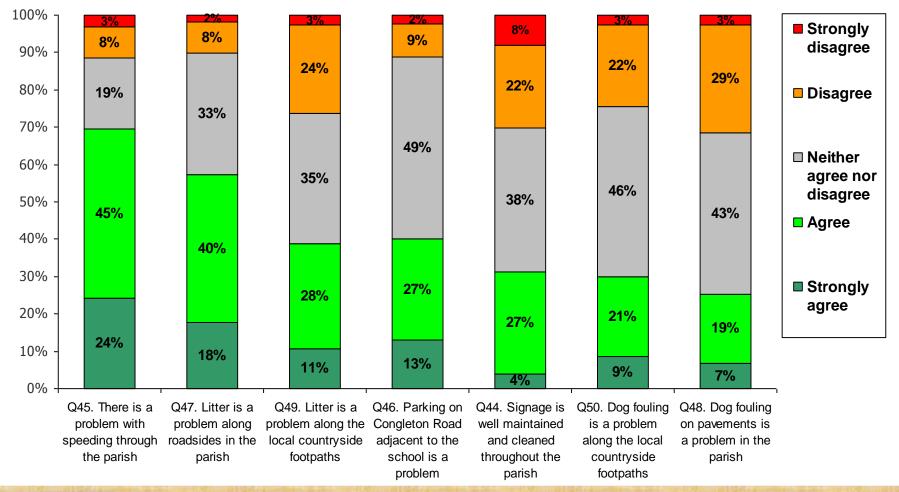
Q51. The Conservation Area (the area around St Mary's Church and the National Trust Mill) looks smart and creates a good impression for visitors





# **Local Environmental Issues**

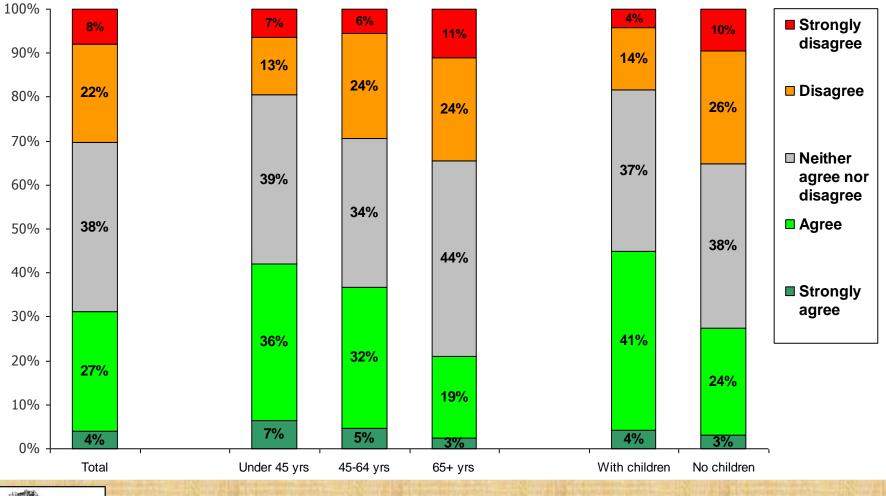
Q44-50. Attitudes towards the following statements





# Local Environmental Issues: Signage

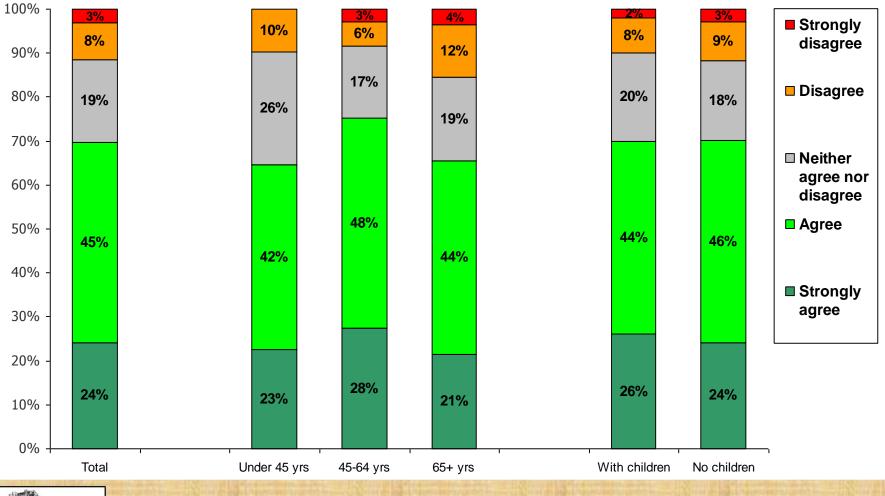
Q44. Signage is well maintained and cleaned throughout the parish





# **Local Environmental Issues: Speeding**

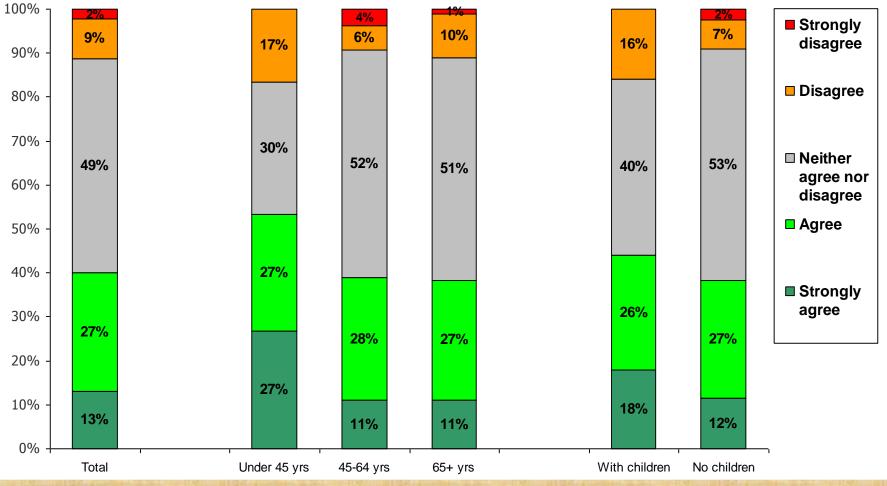
Q45. There is a problem with speeding through the parish





# **Local Environmental Issues: Parking**

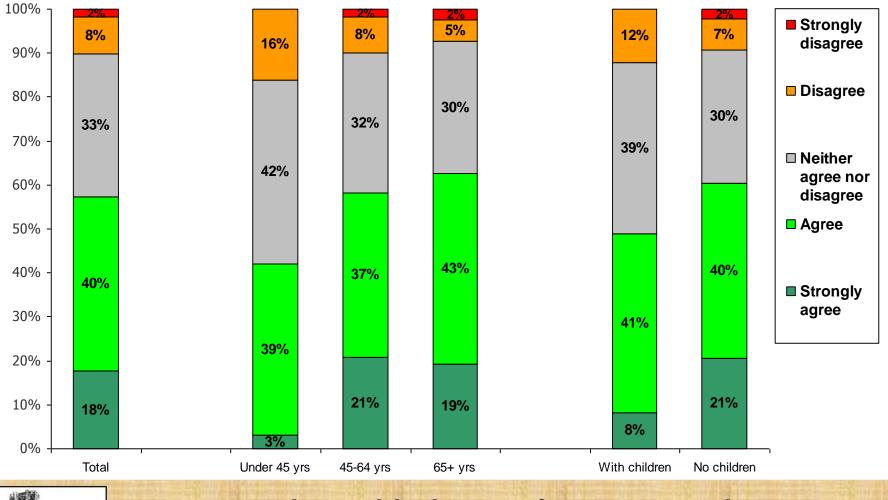
Q46. Parking on Congleton Road adjacent to the school is a problem





# Local Environmental Issues: Roadside Litter

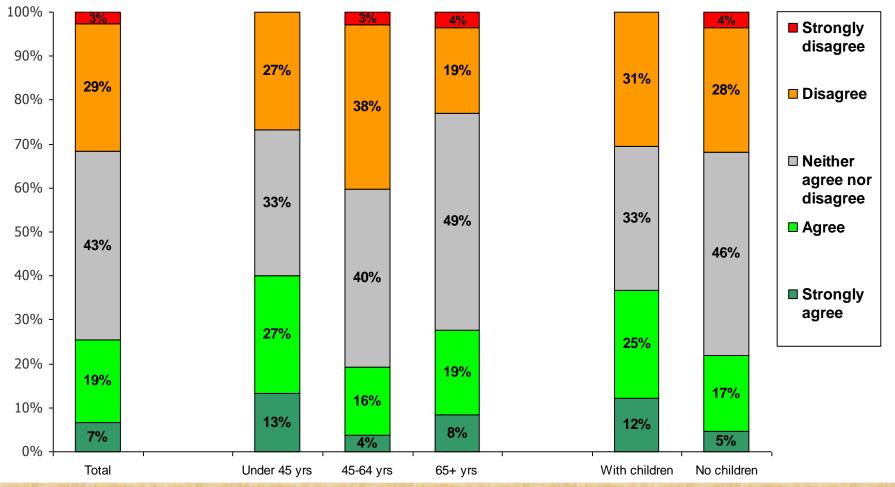
Q47. Litter is a problem along roadsides in the parish





# **Local Environmental Issues: Dog Fouling**

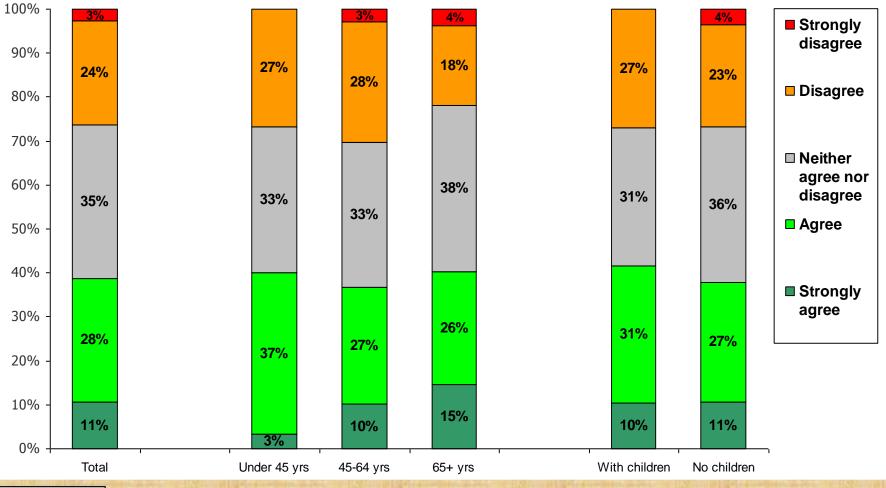
Q48. Dog fouling on pavements is a problem in the parish





# Local Environmental Issues: Footpath Litter

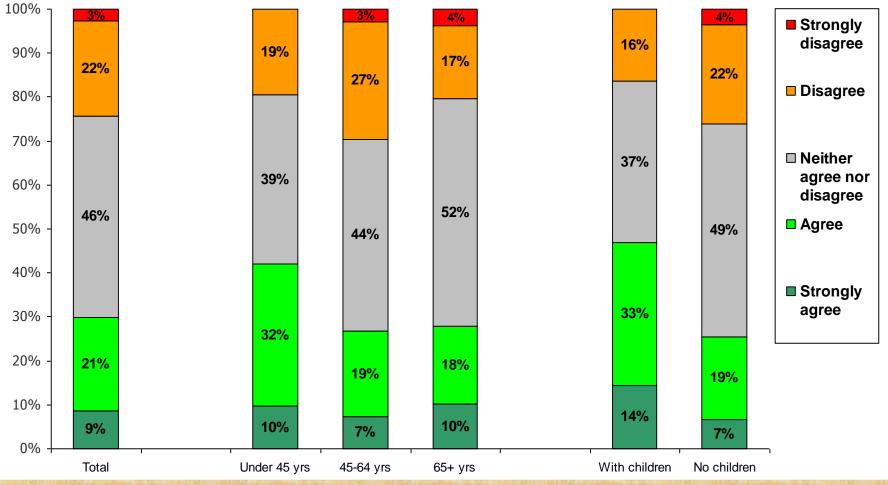
Q49. Litter is a problem along the local countryside footpaths





# **Local Environmental Issues: Dog Fouling**

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# Respondents' Spontaneous Comments on the Environment in Nether Alderley

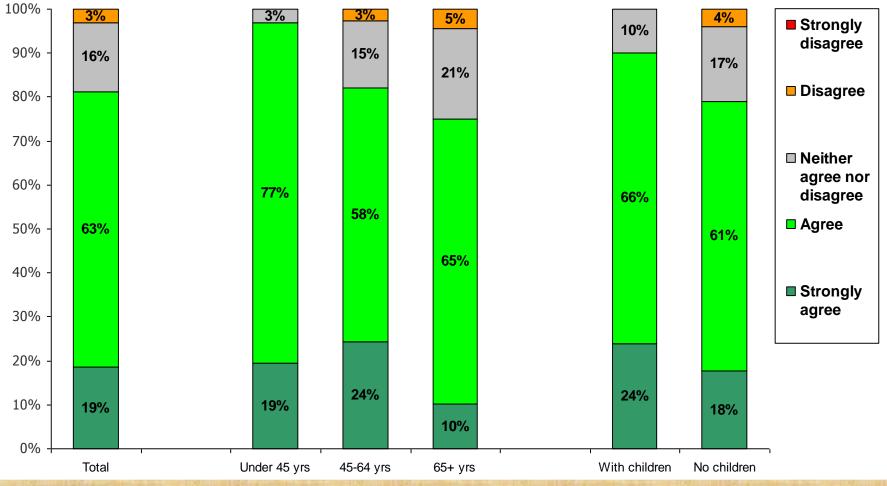
Q52. Do you have any additional comments on the environment in Nether Alderley?

- General
  - This question attracted responses from 20% of respondents amongst whom there was much consistency.
  - Lovely area in which to live: attractive historic heritage
- But, lack of maintenance gives shabby impression
  - Pot holed roads
  - Rarely cleared pavements
  - Infrequently cleared ditches and drains
  - Infrequently trimmed hedges and verges
  - Uncleaned horse poo on pavements
  - Unrepaired street furniture
  - Litter along road margins
- Noisy Bypass
  - Made worse by perceived greater use of emergency vehicle sirens



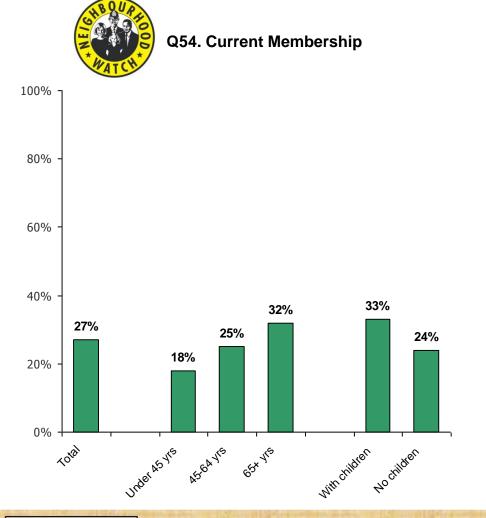
# **Safety & Security: Overall Perception**

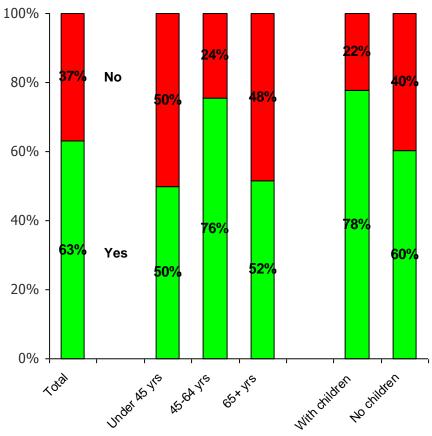
Q53. I feel safe and secure living in Nether Alderley





# Safety & Security: Neighbourhood Watch



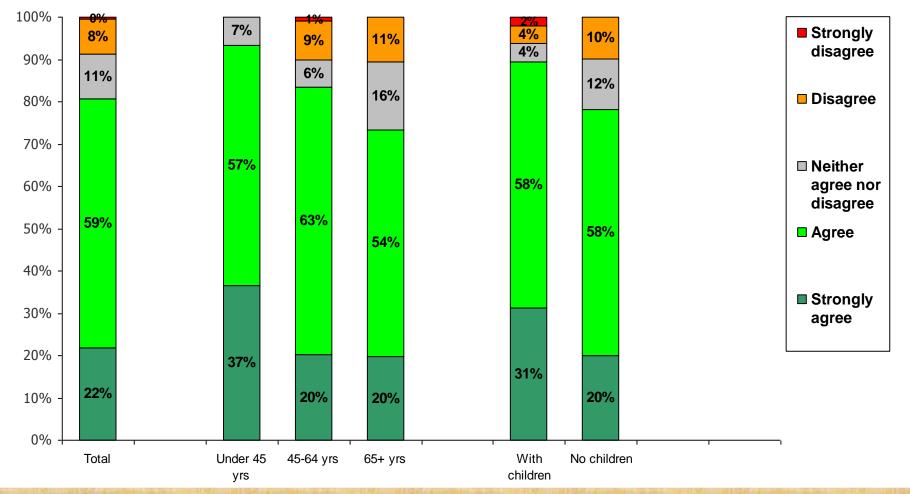


Q55. Interest in Joining



# Safety & Security: Vandalism

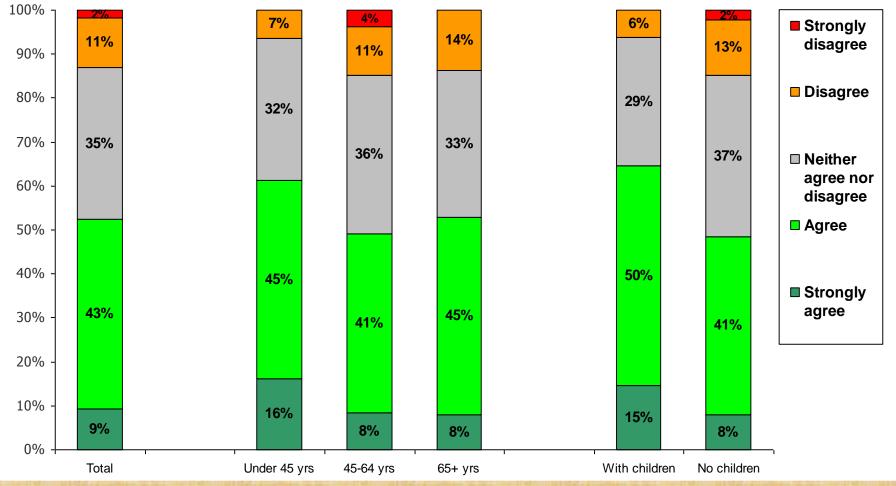
Q56. Vandalism and anti-social behaviour isn't generally a problem in the parish





# Safety & Security: Police Response

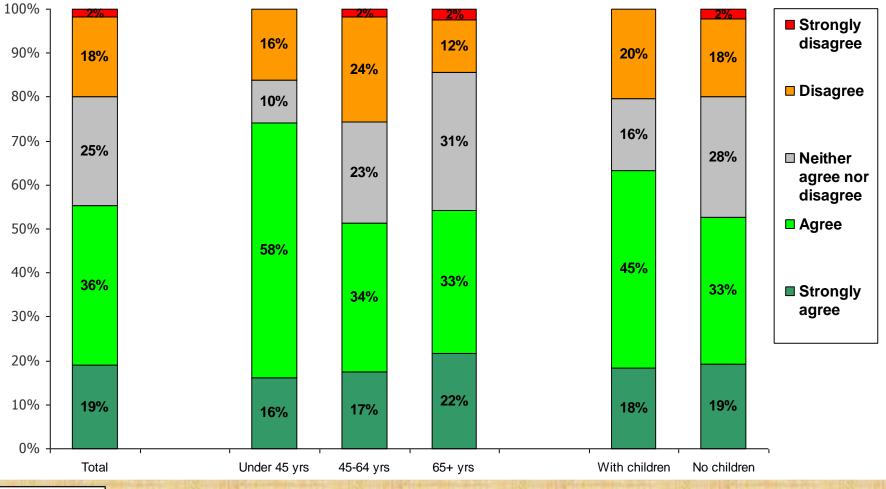
Q57. I feel confident that I can rely on a prompt police response if needed





# Safety & Security: Road Safety

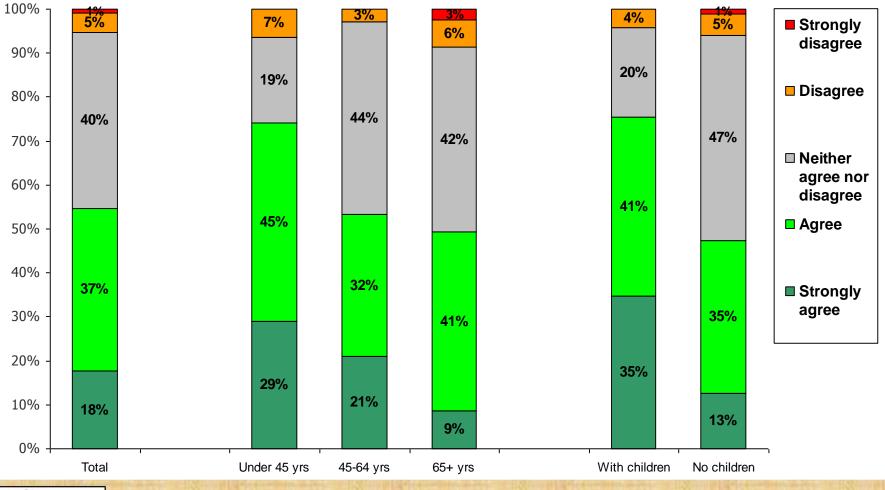
Q58. As a pedestrian, I would be anxious about crossing Congleton Road to the Nether Alderley Mill





# Safety & Security: Road Safety

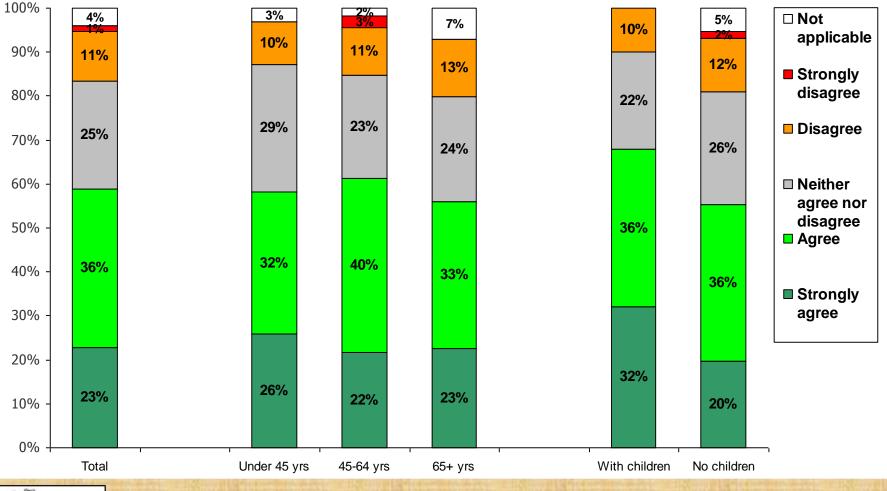
Q59. I am concerned about the safety of children crossing Congleton Road to reach the school





# Safety & Security: Road Safety

Q60. As a driver, I would be anxious about emerging from the Parish Hall / St. Mary's Church onto Congleton Road





# Respondents' Spontaneous Comments on Safety & Security

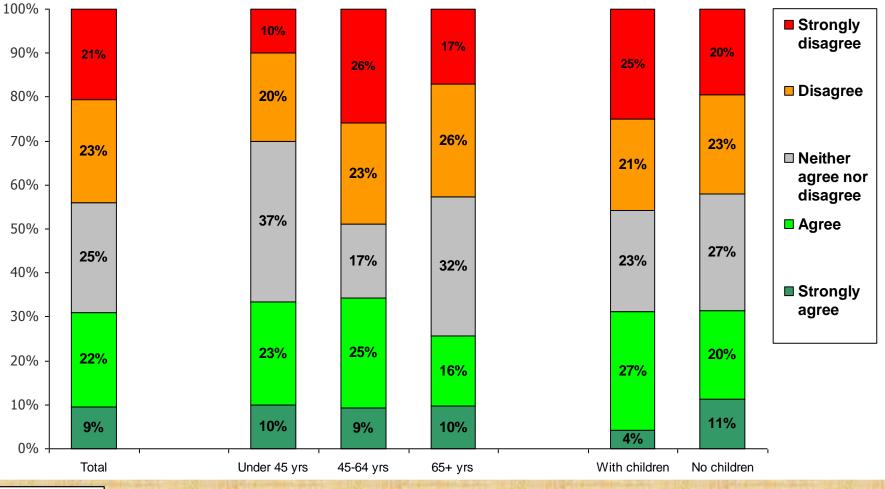
Q61. Do you have any additional comments on safety and security in the parish?

- General:
  - 17% of respondents commented, mostly regarding road safety rather than crime.
- **Road Safety:** The main concern is traffic driving too fast for the conditions
  - Welsh Row (a residential lane with a 60mph limit)
  - Sand Lane (a residential lane and peak hours rat run with a 60mph limit)
  - Artists Lane (a very narrow lane and peak hours rat run with 60mph limit)
  - Bollington Lane (with no pavement and now a key link between the bypass, Holmes Chapel and Knutsford with a 60mph limit).
  - Nether Alderley school section of Congleton Road (limited visibility with 40mph limit)
  - Conservation stretch of Congleton Road (limited visibility with 40mph limit)



# **Development: Affordable Homes**

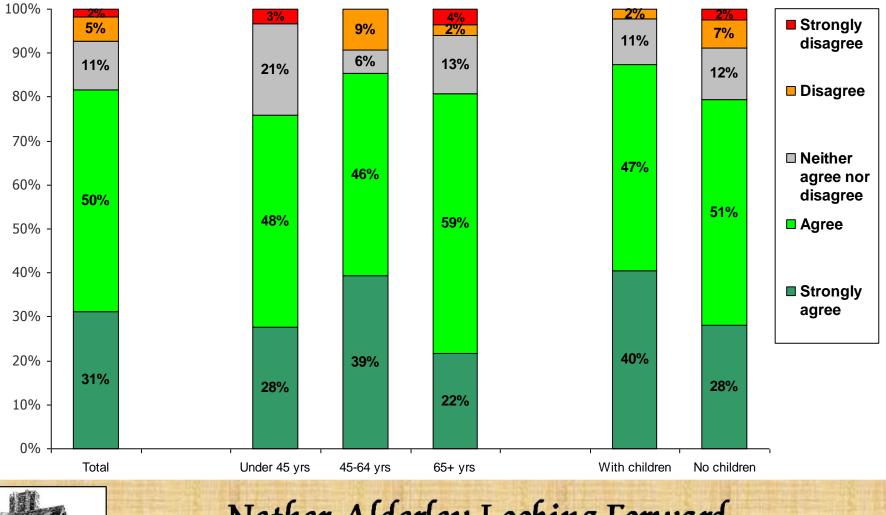
Q62. I support the building of 'Affordable homes' in the parish





# **Development: In-fill Restrictions**

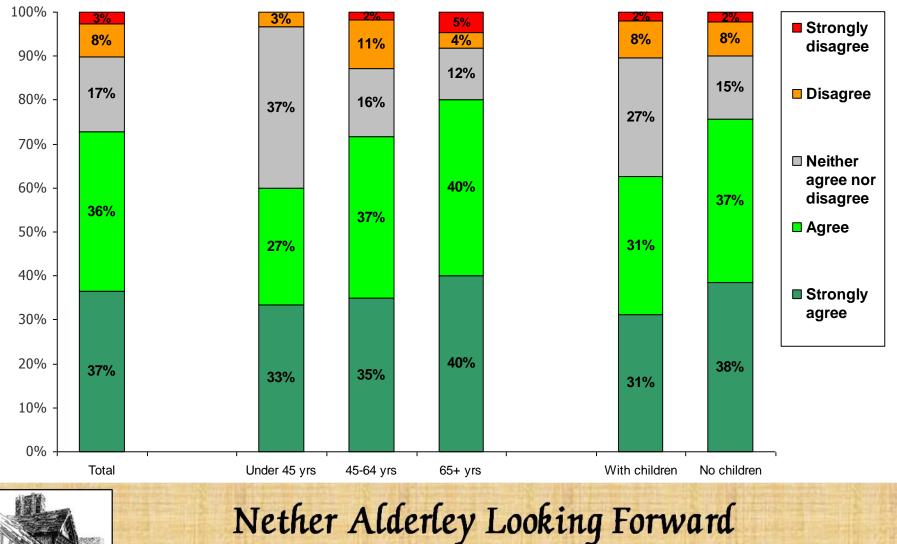
Q63. Future housing development should be restricted to replacement or in-filling of existing plots





# **Development: Density Restrictions**

Q64. The replacement of large old houses by new higher density housing should not be allowed

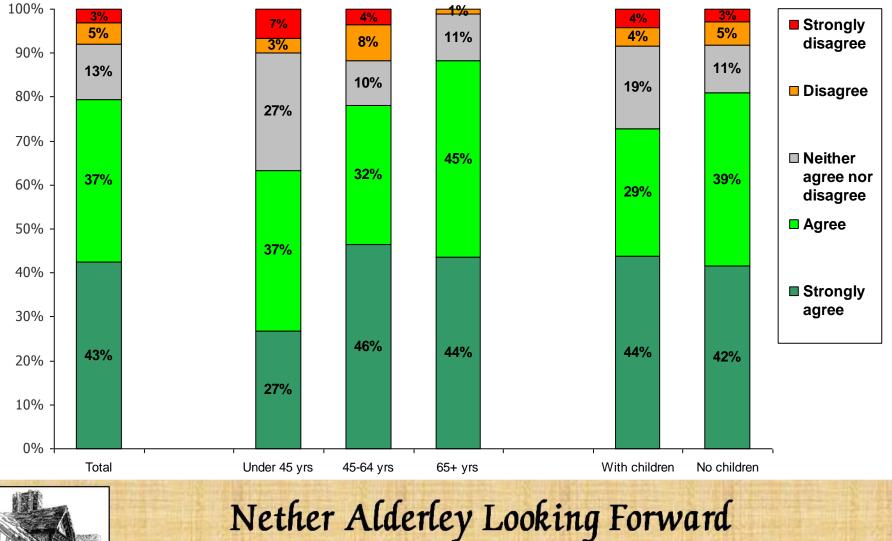


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### **Development: Housing Expansion**

Q65. To protect the rural character of the parish no significant new housing development

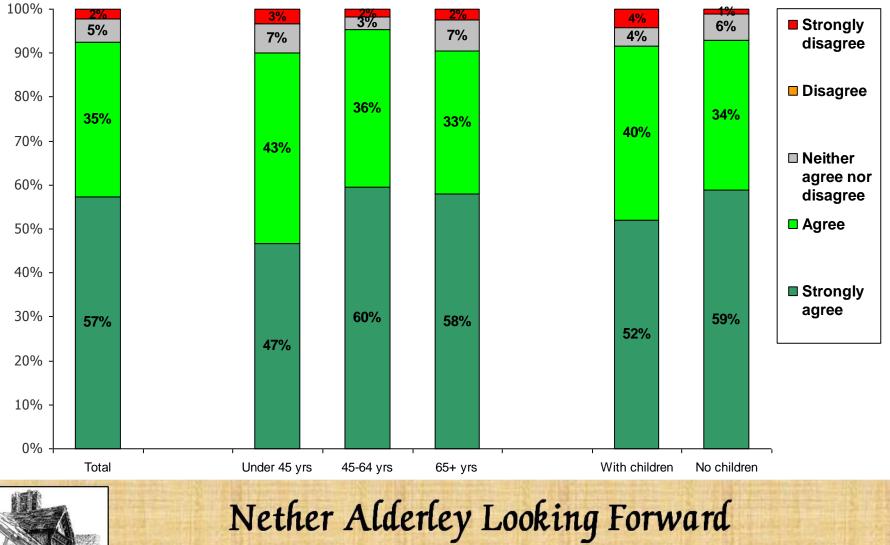
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# **Development: Industry**

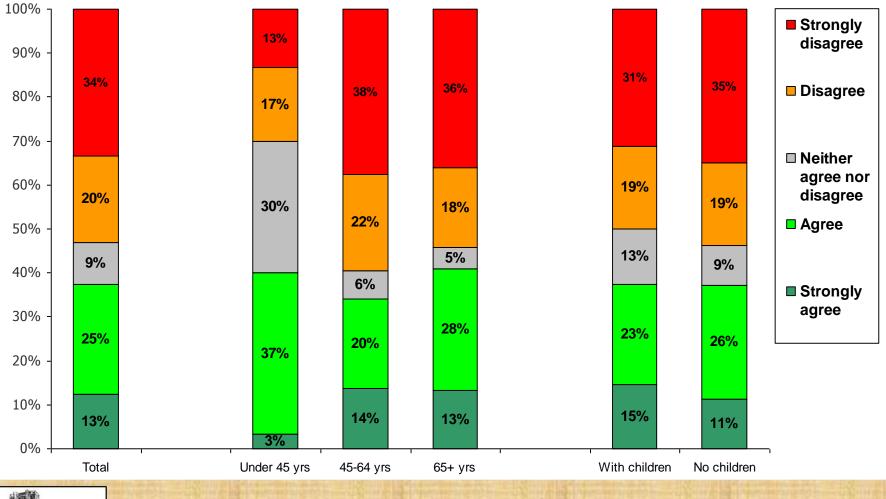
Q66. Any additional industrial development should be restricted to brown field sites / current boundaries



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# **Development: Green Belt**

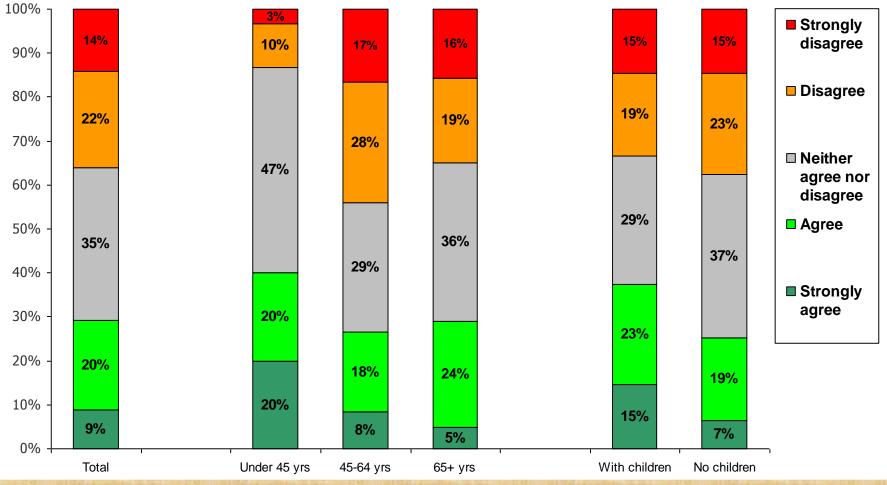
Q67. Commercial development within the surrounding Green Belt should be considered on its merits





# **Development: Employment**

Q68. More employment opportunities should be attracted to the parish





# Respondents' Spontaneous Comments on Development

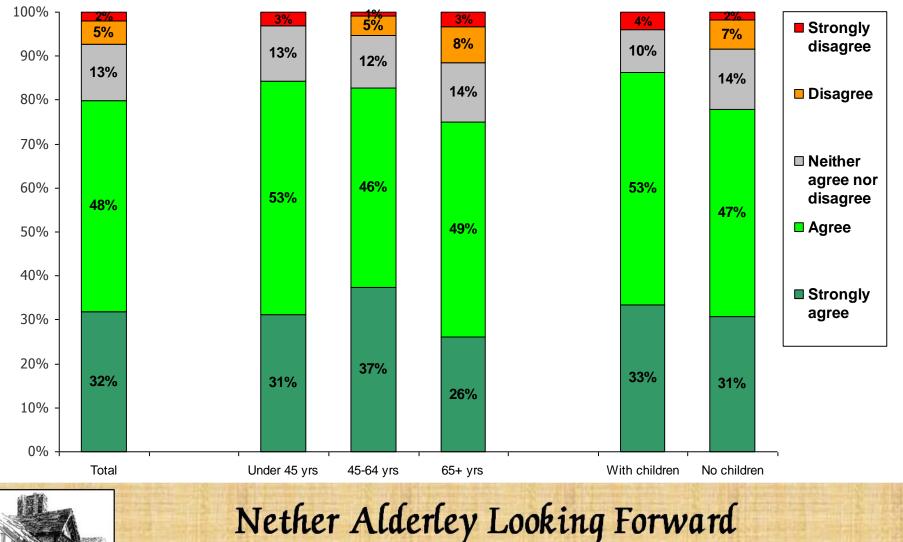
Q69. Do you have any additional comments on development in the parish?

- General:
  - 20% of respondents commented, almost all pleading for support to maintain the semi-rural character of the parish.
- Preserving the status quo:
  - Maintaining the Green Belt and resisting commercial development along the bypass
  - Preserving current low density of housing
  - Resisting the re-building houses with large properties out of character with their neighbours



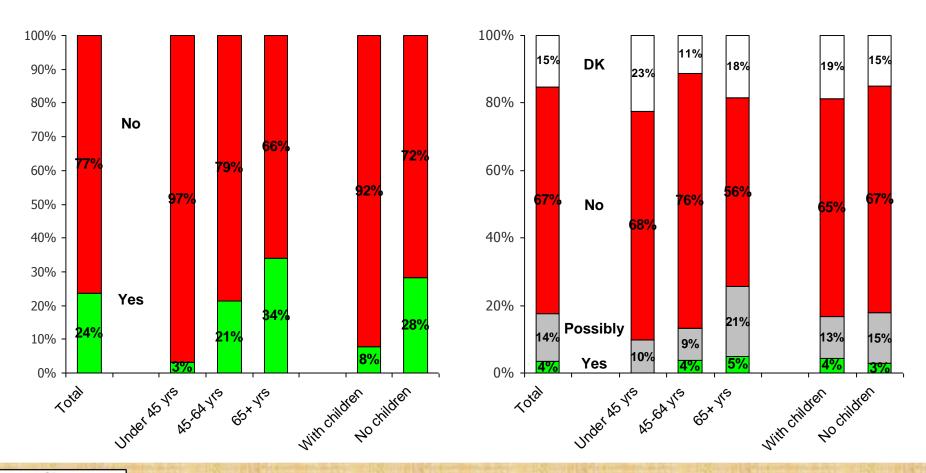
## **Community Support: Neighbours**

Q70. I can rely on the support of my neighbours when needed



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## **Community Support: MorCare**



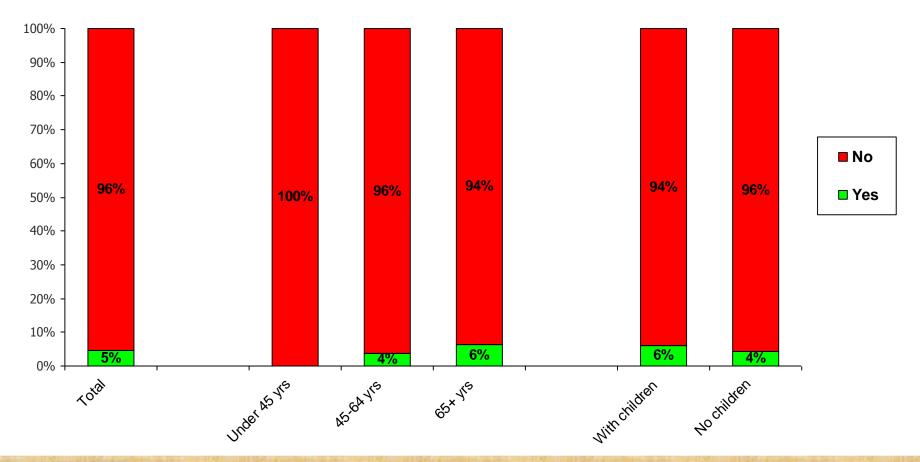
Q71. Are you aware of the MorCare scheme?

Q72. Could the MorCare scheme help you?



## **Community Support: Books on Wheels**

Q73 Could the WRVS 'Books on Wheels service help you?





# Respondents' Spontaneous Comments on Community Support

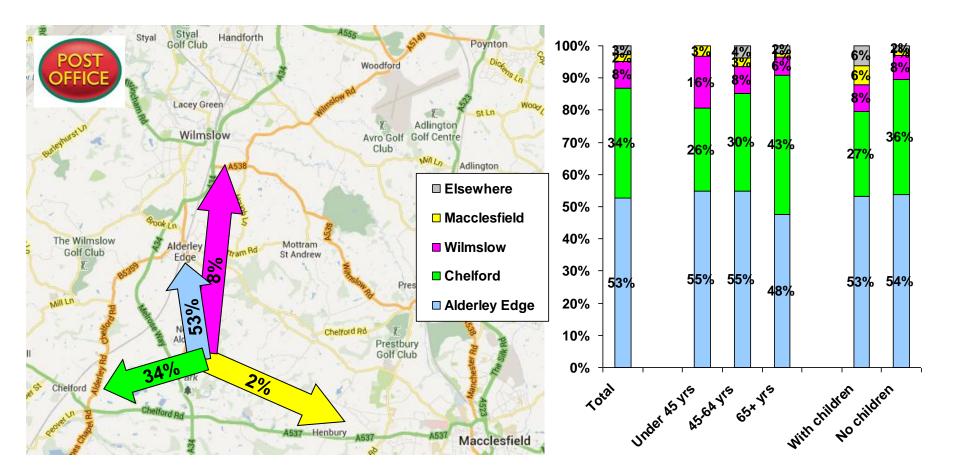
Q74. Do you have any additional comments on community support in the parish?

- General:
  - Only 7% of respondents commented, mostly in support of MorCare and Books on Wheels
- The Church
  - The support available through the Rector and church volunteers, which was not touched on in the survey, was commented upon .



## **Dependence on Neighbouring Centres**

Q75. Which Post Office do you mainly use?

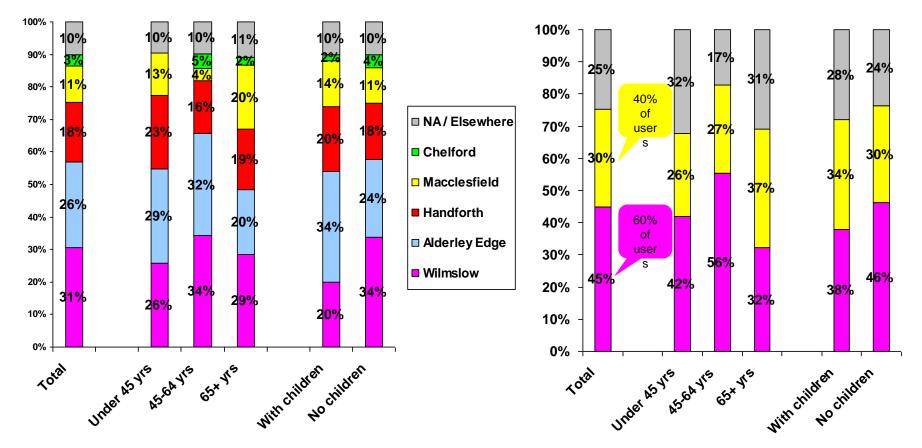




## **Dependence on Neighbouring Centres**



Q76. Where do you usually do your main grocery shopping?





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Q76. Which mainline train station do you use?

# Respondents' Spontaneous Comments on Dependence on Neighbouring Centres

Q78. Do you have any additional comments on neighbouring centres for shopping or as a place from which you can park and continue by public transport?

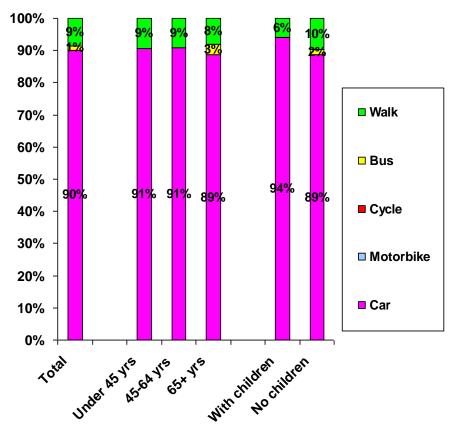
- **General:** Slightly under 15% of respondents commented, mostly with consistent views.
- Inadequate Alderley Edge Parking:
  - Being a dispersed rural community, Nether Alderley residents are dependent on their cars for access to the shops and trains of Alderley Edge, but both short and long-term parking facilities are lacking.
  - The emphasis in Alderley Edge is on tight parking control over limited spaces and pricing-out to deter potential shoppers and rail travellers.
  - Hopeful rail travellers can't be sure of a parking place in either Alderley Edge or Wilmslow.



## **Transport & Travel**

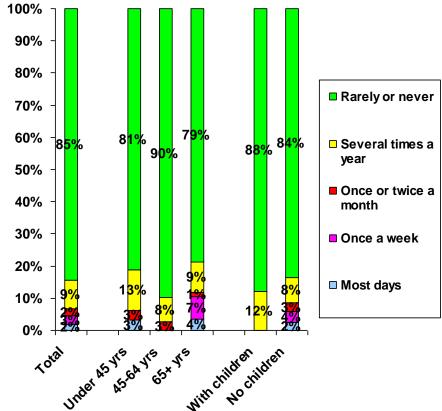


Q79. How do you usually get to your nearest local centre (e.g. Post Office)?



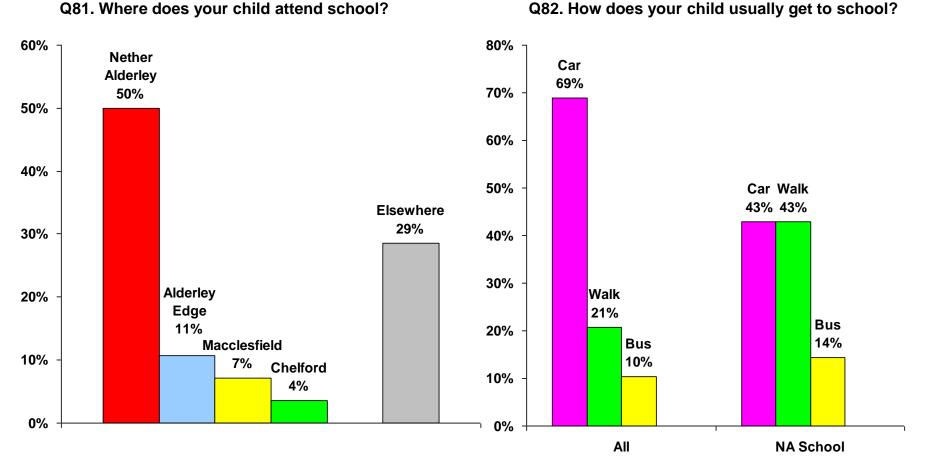


Q80. How often, if ever, do you use a public bus service to or from Nether Alderley?





## **Transport & Travel: Primary School**



Q82. How does your child usually get to school?



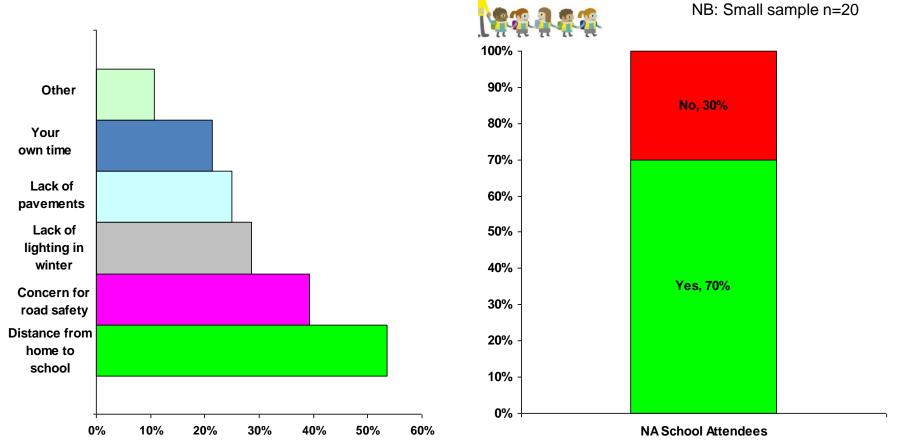
## **Transport & Travel: Primary School**

Q84. [NA School Attendees Only]

school if they could join a 'walking bus'?

Would you consider allowing your child to walk to

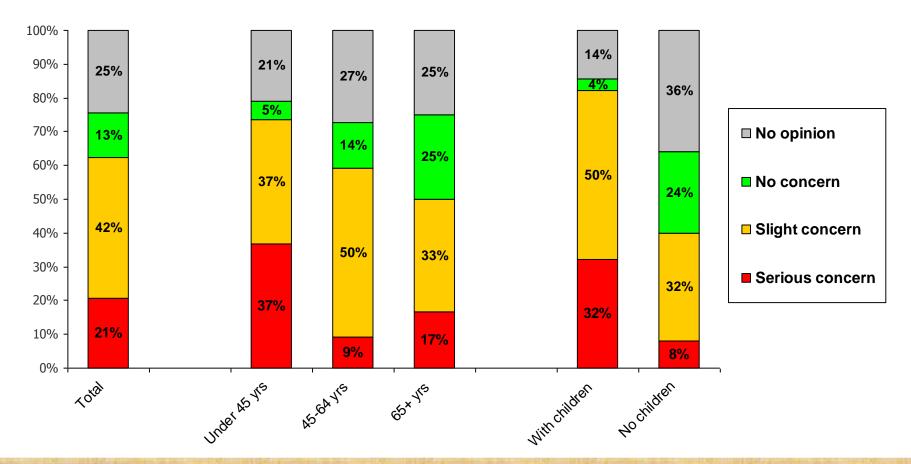
Q83. [All Car Users] Does anything discourage your child from walking to school?





## **Transport & Travel: Crossing Patrol**

Q85. Is the lack of a pelican crossing or a crossing patrol by the school on Congleton Road a concern for you?





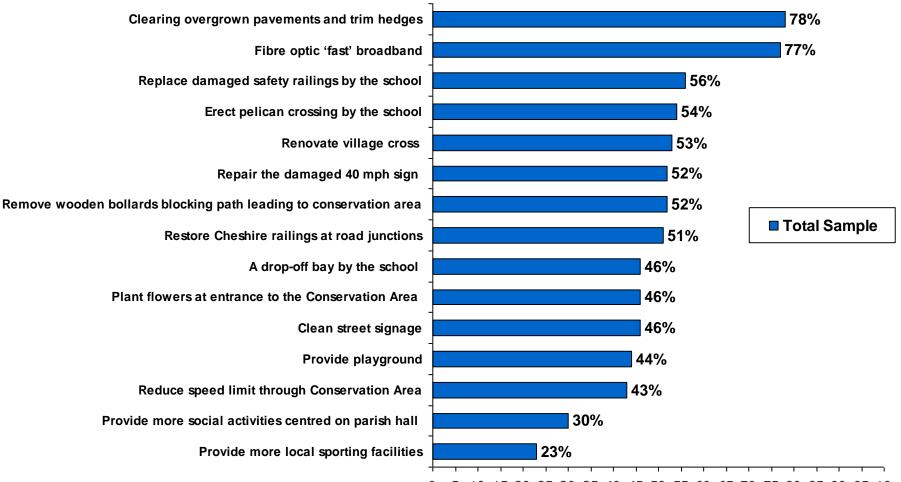
# Respondents' Spontaneous Comments on Transport & Travel

Q86. Do you have any additional comments on local transport and travel issues?

- **General:** 14% of respondents commented. Comments reflected a wide range of specific issues. There was little consistency between the comments.
- Issues:
  - More long-term parking required at Alderley Edge and Wilmslow for rail users
  - Electronic train status board would be helpful on Alderley Edge platform
  - Tried walking to school, but children nervous of crossing the road
  - High cost of 'short hops' by bus
  - Infrequent bus service: timetable in bus shelters would be helpful
  - Difficulty in crossing Chelford Road at Monks Heath in order to catch the bus
  - Bus stop at Mill withdrawn as NT objected to bus pulling-in on their car park
  - Gatso camera by the bypass roundabout should be repositioned opposite the school
  - Dangerous speeds in narrow parish lanes



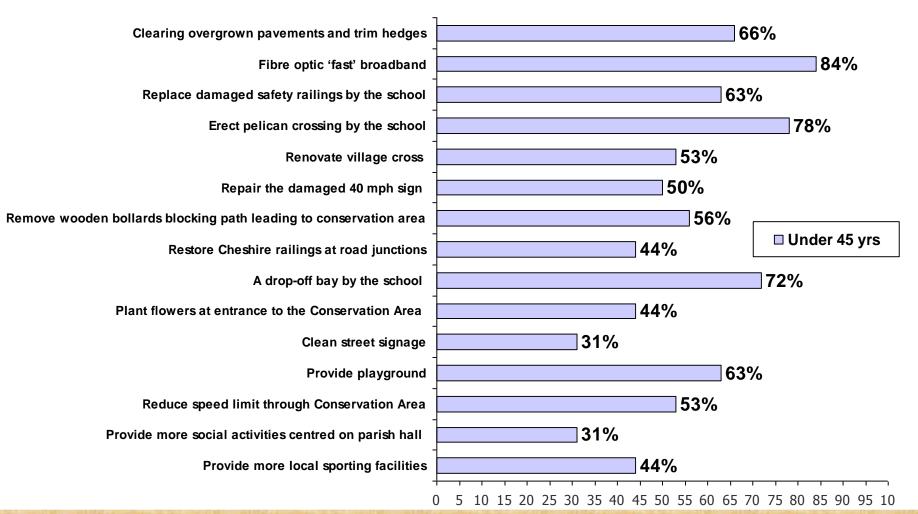
Q87. Which, if any, of the following do you support?



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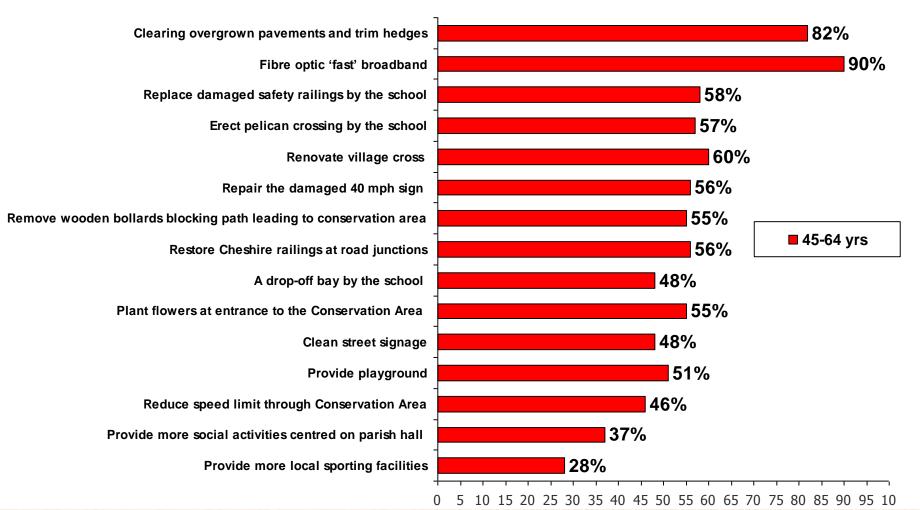


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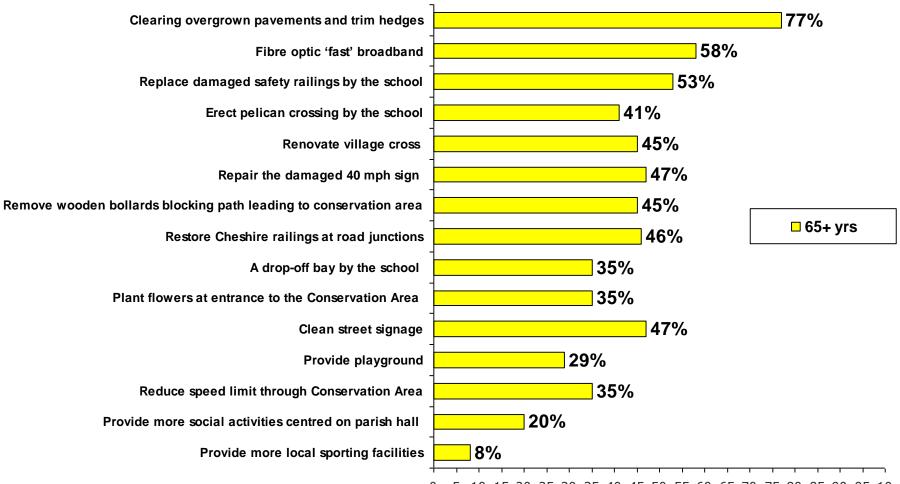




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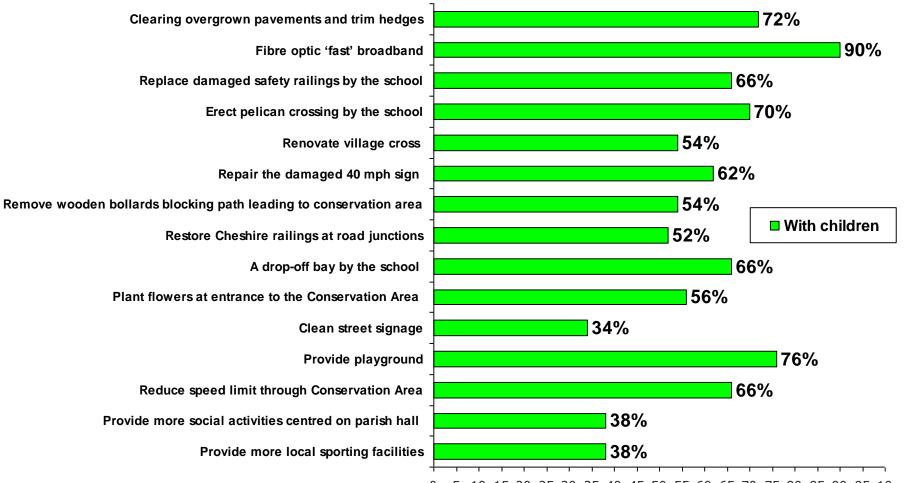
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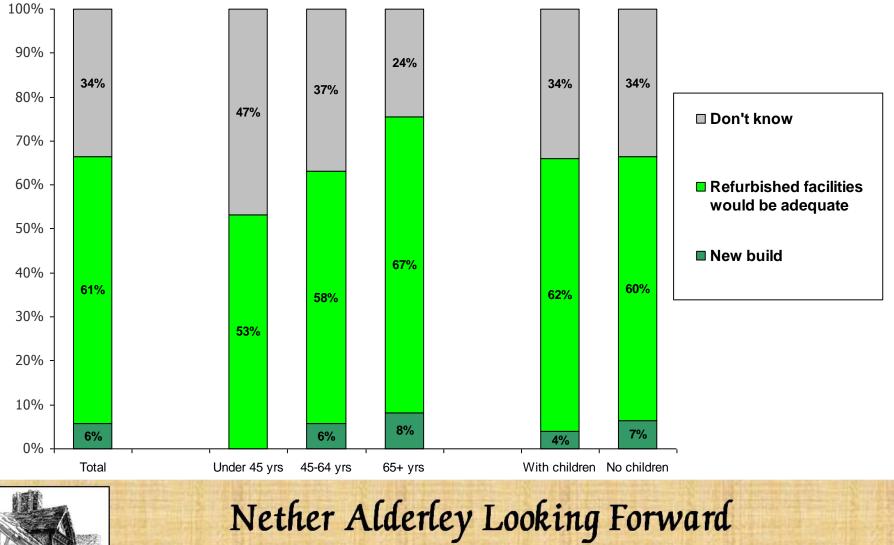
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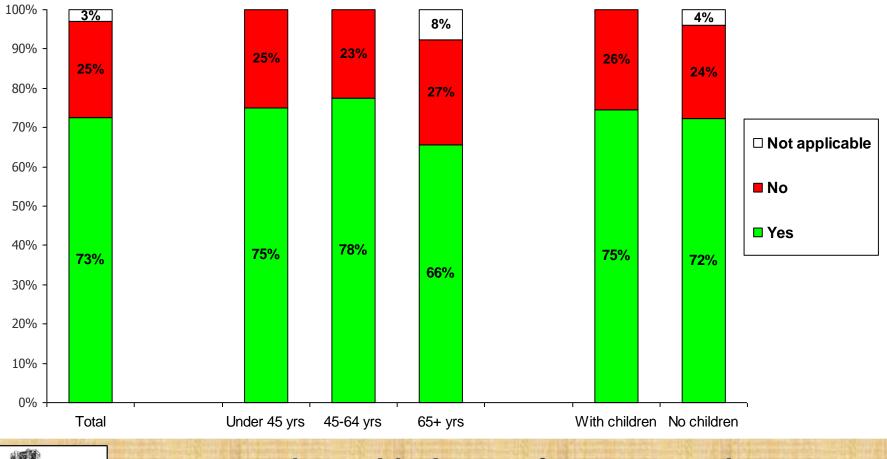


Q88. Is there a need for a new community hall or could refurbished parish hall facilities meet the needs of the community?



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Q89. Do you have acceptable mobile telephone coverage at home?





# Respondents' Spontaneous Comments on Improvements for Nether Alderley

Q90. Do you have any additional comments on local transport and travel issues?

- **General:** 19% of respondents commented.
- Issues:
  - Spruce up:
    - Clear paths, drains, ditches, trim verges and hedges
    - Restore market cross, clear lake (Church Meadow) and create picnic spot
    - Restore Cheshire railings
  - Seek urgent attention to improve broadband speed
  - Improve road maintenance
  - Impose 30mph speed limits on Welsh Row, Sand lane, Nursery Lane, Artists Lane and on Congleton Road adjacent to the school and in the Conservation area between the mill and Church
  - Secure CE commitment on the Green Belt
  - Refurbish Parish Hall
  - Plant a few spring bulbs
  - Welcome to Nether Alderley, Please drive slowly' sign people might then drive more slowly through village.



## **Any Other Comments**

Q95. Do you have any other comments on issues that you feel have not been adequately address elsewhere that you would like to fee into the Nether Alderley Parish Plan?

- General: 15% of respondents commented.
- Issues:
  - Why has the compensation for residents disadvantaged by the bypass been delayed?
  - Insist that promise of no ribbon development made during the bypass planning process is rigidly maintained. Stand firm against the building of Dobbies superstore.
  - Establish a relationship with AZ for village use of their facilities
  - Set-up litter clearing volunteer teams
  - Investigate the potential for fast fibre optic broadband cable to be run down the existing Nynex conduit
  - Construct footpath along Bollington Lane (Congleton Road to Chelford Road cut as it has become dangerous for pedestrians following completion of the bypass
  - Arrange for hedge trimming along pavement on Congleton Road
  - Investigate potential free access to Alderley Park for leisure purposes
  - Village 'welcome' and 'brown signs' directing visitors to our sites of interest. More bulbs and flowers to make the village look welcoming.
  - Achieve better communication of all the activities already happening in the parish, mainly around the church.

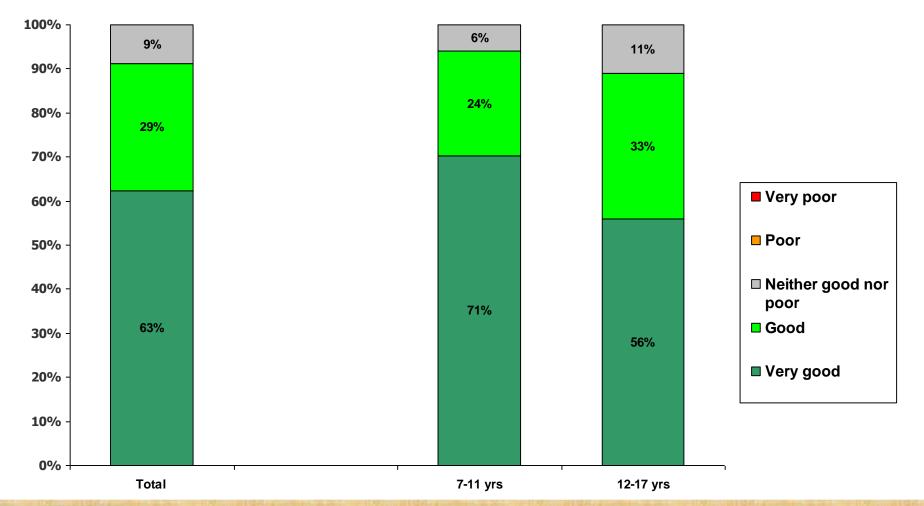


# Child Survey Detailed Results



## Satisfaction with life in Nether Alderley

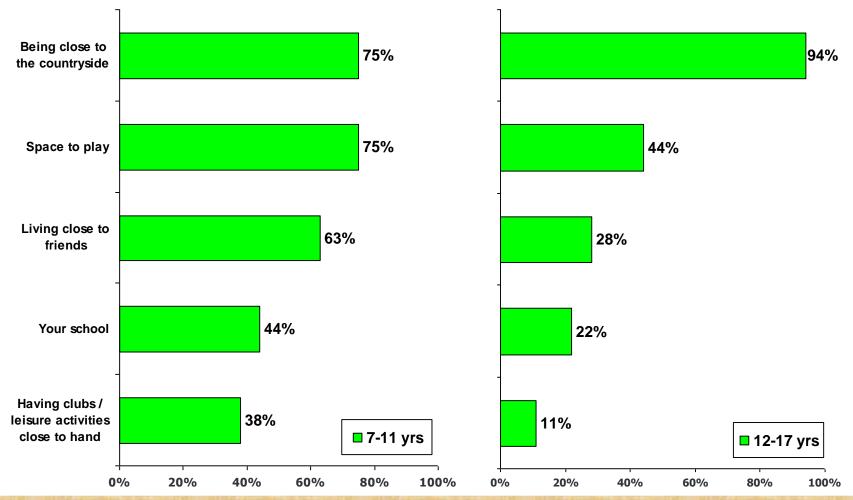
Q1. How do you rate Nether Alderley as a place to live?





# **Appeal of Nether Alderley**

Q2. What do you like, if anything, about living in Nether Alderley?





# **Appeal of Nether Alderley**

Q2. What do you like, if anything, about living in Nether Alderley?

#### Other.....

#### Age 7-11 years

➢Quite quiet and calm

≻Wildlife

≻Having horses

▶Baby and big animals

>The quiet peacefulness of the countryside, the lush open fields with animals as you look out of the window.

>Feeling of being safe, children can play out in safe environment.

#### Age 12-17 years

≻Wildlife (3)

Close to Alderley Edge and Restaurants

≻Legend of Merlin

➢Mill and St Mary's church

➤Good transport to Manchester

>It is quiet. There are great places to walk around and walk the dog. I can walk to Alderley and back in less than an hour, barely any traffic.

>Being able to keep horses close to home / Having open space so we can have horses



# **Appeal of Nether Alderley**

Q2. What do you dislike, if anything, about living in Nether Alderley?

#### Age 7-11 years

- >I live too far away from my friends
- >I would like a bike park
- ≻Need more footpaths
- >Not many children to play with
- ≻NOTHING!

#### Age 12-17 years

- >Lack of social activities for young people / Can't walk anywhere to do a social activity
- >Modern architecture out of control in rural setting
- ≻No place for children to meet
- ➤Too much traffic
- >Little to do so always have to go over the Manchester
- >Living far away from my friends. Don't know anyone my age here.
- ➢Distance to train station

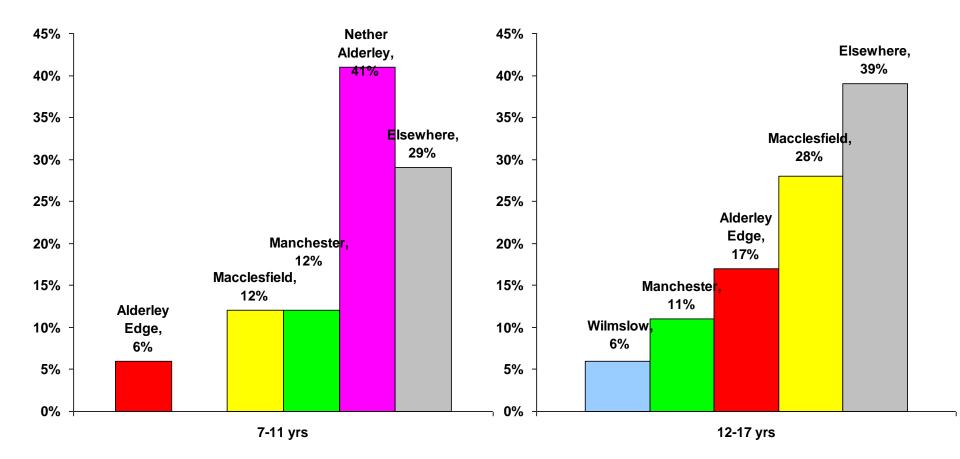
>Not being close to any of my friends. The bus drivers on the 130 when I have got the bus are very rude when I politely ask for a child's ticket and they hesitate to give me one as they think I'm older and ask for ID but I am in age of a child's ticket as I am 14 and I don't have any ID as I am 14.

≻Not enough places to ride.



# **Transport & Travel: School**

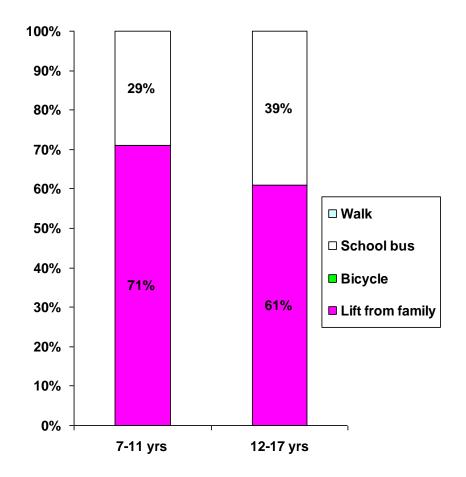
Q4. Where do you go to school or college?





# **Transport & Travel: School**

#### Q5. How do you usually get to school or college?



#### Q6. Comments?

#### Age 7-11 years

≻Only when it is snowy or icy

≻Too long on bus

➤Cars go fast down Artists Lane

➤Cars go too fast down Artists Lane

#### Age 12-17 years

>I cannot ride my bike to school because the A34 is to dangerous

➤Have tried getting the bus to school, but it is often quite late which is an issue for getting to school on time

School bus was stopped to Fallibroome. Nether Alderley primary is a feeder school (very strange!)

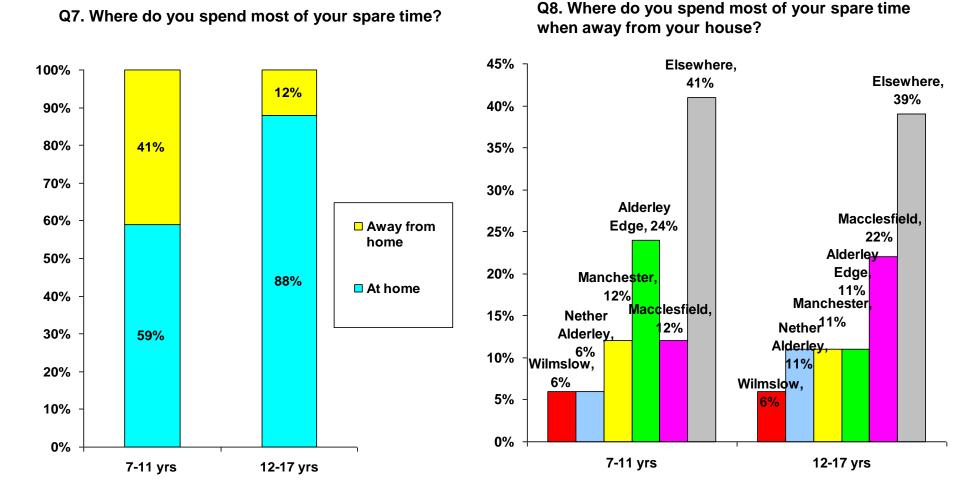
≻The bus is usually late

Sometimes there is traffic so we end up being a bit late. We need buses to take us I think.

➢Because we don't live in Chelford we have to pay £145 per term to get on the bus at Chelford for Holmes Chapel



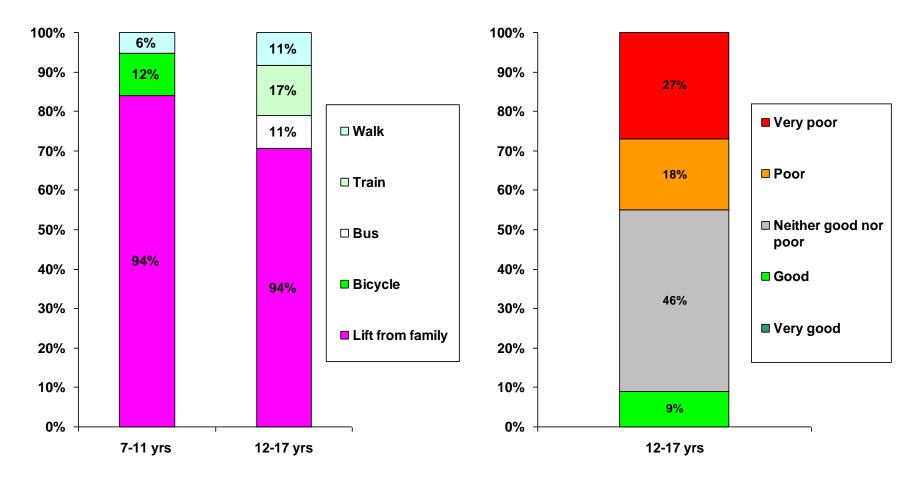
# **Transport & Travel: Spare time**



## **Transport & Travel: Spare time**

Q9. How do you usually get about for social activities?

Q10. How do you rate the local bus service?





# **Transport & Travel: Spare time**

Q11. If you rated the bus service 'poor' or very poor' why do you say that?

#### Age 12-17 years

Because the buses are rarely on time

- >Only one route into Manchester
- >Sometimes the buses are early or very late and they don't stop here, sometimes they drive past you.
- >Used only once. Infrequent and expensive and doesn't go where want.
- >Because the bus drivers can be very rude to me because li am a younger person.

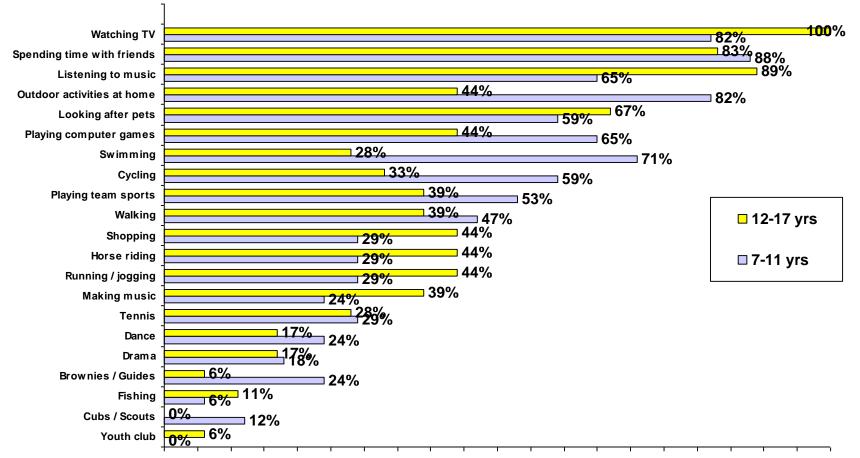
>We don't get buses in Nether Alderley.



## **Leisure: Current Interests**

Q12. What do you do in your spare time?

(Ranked by order amongst all children)



 $0\% \quad 5\% \quad 10\% \quad 15\% \quad 20\% \quad 25\% \quad 30\% \quad 35\% \quad 40\% \quad 45\% \quad 50\% \quad 55\% \quad 60\% \quad 65\% \quad 70\% \quad 75\% \quad 80\% \quad 85\% \quad 90\% \quad 95\% \quad 100\% \quad 100\% \quad 10\% \quad 10\%$ 



## **Leisure: Current Pastimes**

#### **Other Interests**

#### Age 7-11 years

➤David Lloyd

≻Judo

➤Football club

≻Jujitsu

➢Playing the piano

≻Netball

➢Playing with my toys

Age 12-17 years

➢Bird watching (2)

≻Reading

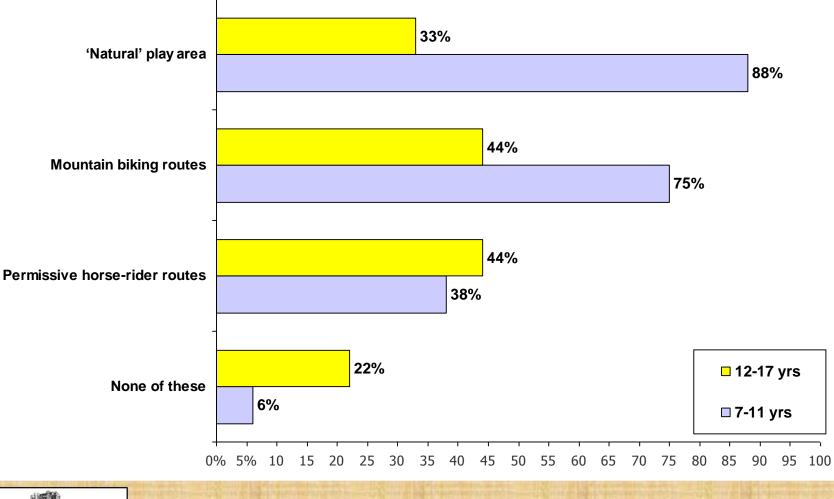
≻Cheerleading

≻Gymnastics



## Leisure: Interest in potential NT activities

Q13. If the National Trust were to offer the following in the local area, please indicate which, if any, you would be interested in using?





## **Leisure: Potential Interests**

Q14. What activities, if any, would you join in if they were available in Nether Alderley?

Age 7-11 years	Age 12-17 years
Computer club	Cycling (2)
Cricket (3)	Dance
Dodgeball	Drama society (3)
Fencing	Football (2)
Football (3)	Guides / Explorers
Go karting	polo pitch
Gym	Riding club
Horse riding club (4)	Sports clubs
Indoor skiing	Swimming
Roller blading	Tennis
Running	Youth club (2)
Somewhere I could meet my friends i.e leisure centre	
Swimmimg (2)	

Tennis

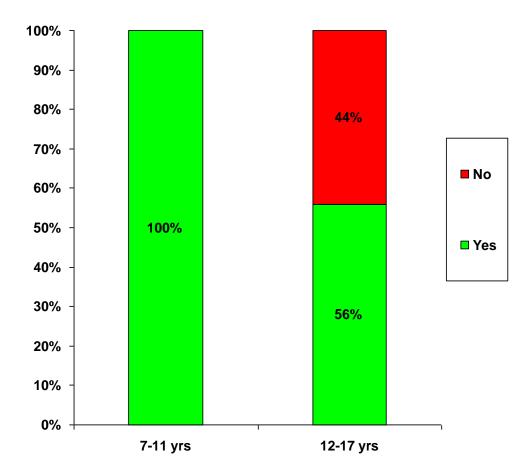
Triathlon club training (2)

Youth club



## Leisure: Interest in potential activities

Q15. Would you use a playground if there was one in Nether Alderley??





## **Any Other Comments**

## Q16. Do you have any additional comments on improvements which will benefit young people in Nether Alderley?

#### Age 7-11 years

Would like it if there was a swimming pool in Nether Alderley.

Children's dancing drama and art club

Leisure centre more of a town

Play park

Cake baking for comic relief.

Better cycle lanes or roller blading lanes.

Parks and national parks with cycling/roller blading routes.

Speed bumps on Welsh Row and slow down signs and 20mph signs on Welsh Row.

I think on Welsh Row we should have speed bumps. 20mph speed limit on Welsh Row and slow down signs, children crossing.

#### Age 12-17 years

An internet site for young people in the area to get to know each other and a summer BBQ or picnic

I would like Nether Alderley to stay a rural community

add a play area for local kids to meet in the centre (church)

Return of school bus(even if you have to pay)

Swimming pool

Oobstacle course

Having a train station would help me and a few people get home after school.

Not many people live in Nether Alderley 16+

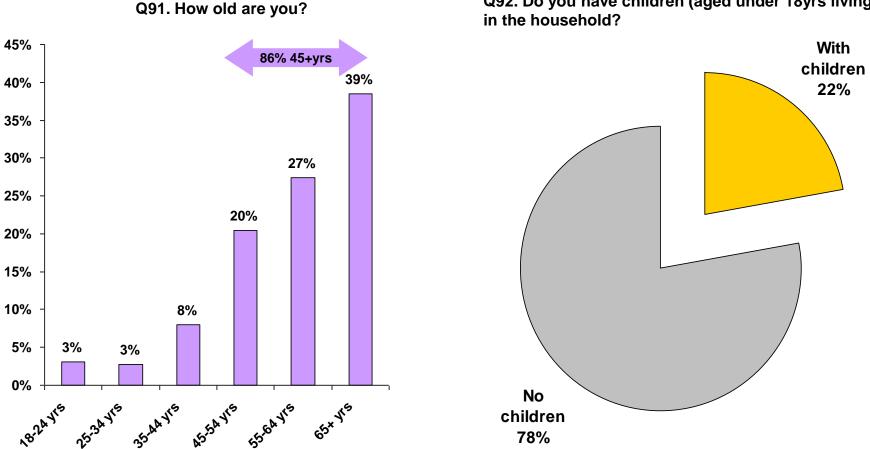
If there was a playground younger children might play there and bring more families to the area. Leaving the area as a calm quiet place, I find Nether Alderley great as it is, just wish there were more people my age here.



# Appendix Survey Sample



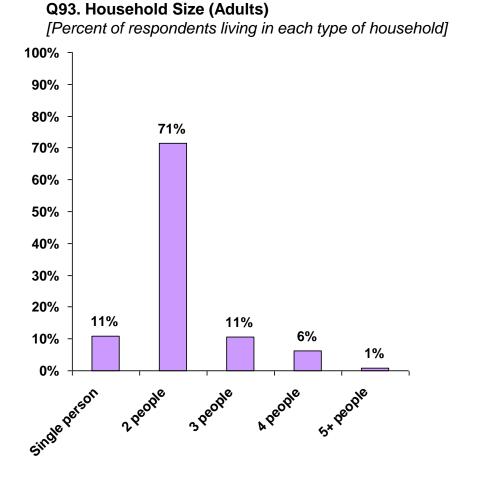
## Adult Sample (243): Profile



Q92. Do you have children (aged under 18yrs living in the household?

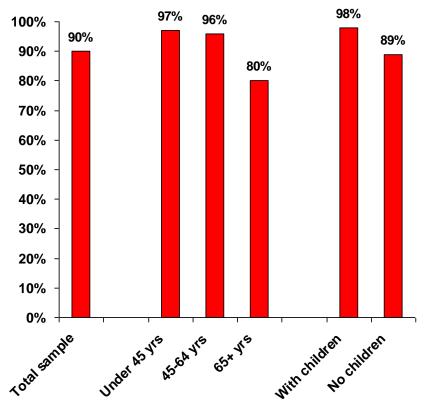


## Adult Sample (243): Profile



#### Q94. Internet Access

[Percent of respondents having access]





## **Children's Sample (36) : Age Profile**

