

AXMOUTH PARISH PLAN

PRELIMINARY DATA FROM ADULTS' QUESTIONNAIRE

The questionnaire was delivered to 215 households in the parish.

We had 182 (from 338 individuals) returned - a response rate of 85%.

We also had 53 children and young people's questionnaires returned; we will add the data from them to the website when it is ready.

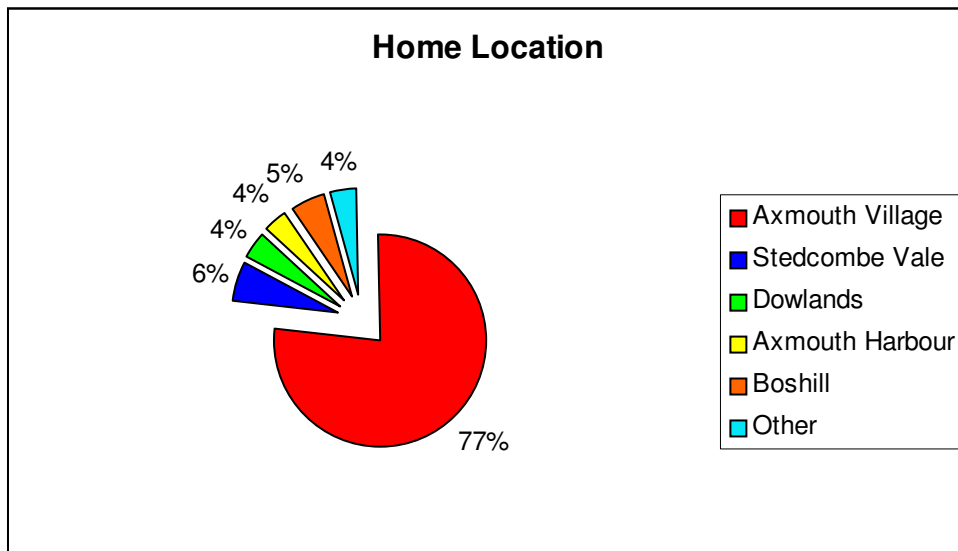
September 2010

Section A: Your Household.

182 households

A1: Where is your home located in the parish?

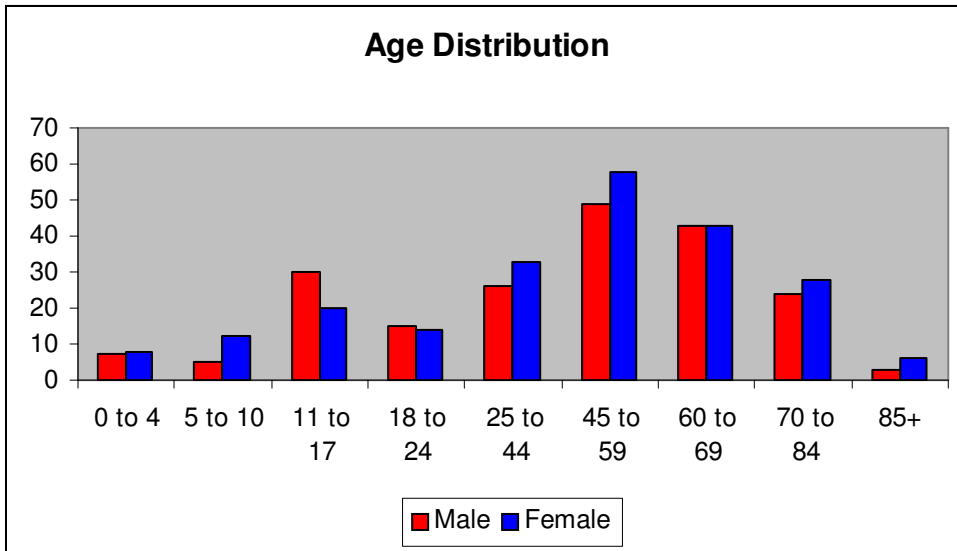
Axmouth Village	Stedcombe Vale	Dowlands	Axmouth Harbour	Boshill	Other
139	11	8	7	10	7
77 %	6 %	4%	4%	5%	4%



A2: Is this your main residence?

Main residence: Yes 171 (94%), No 9 (5%), No reply 2 (0.5%)

A3: Numbers in your household in each age group:

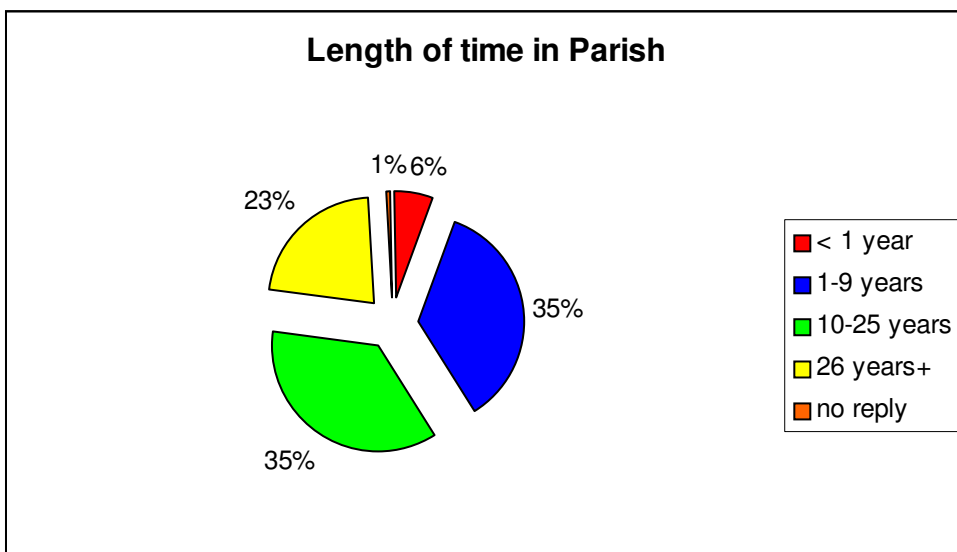


A4: Is there anyone in the household who has a disability or special needs?

21 households (12%) have a person with a disability of special needs

A5: How long has your household lived in the parish?

< 1 year	1-9 years	10-25 years	26 years+	No reply
11	64	65	41	1
6%	35%	35%	23%	1%



A6: Have any members of your household moved away from the parish in the past three years because of:

	Affordable Housing	Public transport	Child care	Sheltered housing	Adapted Housing
Yes	14	7	1	0	1
No	157	163	164	164	164
No reply	11	12	12	18	17

A7: Is any member of your household, or your household as a whole, likely to need designated affordable housing now or in the near future?

13 households (7%) expressed a need for designated affordable housing.
161 (88%) said no, 12 (7%) did not reply.

A8, A9: Is your household interested in a village oil buying group or a gas supply?

	Yes	No	Don't Know	No reply
Village Oil	85 (47%)	70 (38%)	15 (8%)	12 (7%)
Gas	101 (55%)	37 (20%)	34 (19%)	10 (5%)

A10: If you have any of the following in your household, who is your provider and how do you rate the service and signal?

		Good	Satisfactory	Poor	No reply
Broadband	104 (57%)	43 (39%)	51 (47%)	15 (14%)	78, ^a 73 ^b
Satellite TV	71 (39%)	63 (72%)	22 (25%)	3 (3%)	111, ^a 94 ^b
Terrestrial		39 (60%)	17 (26%)	9 (14%)	-, 117 ^b

a Did not reply to the 'Provider' section

b Did not reply to the 'Ratings' section

Complex question to analyse as there are many internet providers.

Complex question to analyse as there are many internet providers.

Twenty different **internet** providers were given from the 104 households with internet and 11 of these providers supplied only 1 household. Details of the other providers are shown in table.

Internet Provider	BT	Tiscali	AOL	PlusNet	TalkTalk, Virgin	Orange, Sky	SeatonNet
Number of households	55 (53%)	9 (9%)	7 (7%)	5 (5%)	4 (4%)	3 (3%)	2 (2%)

For the **Satellite TV**, sky had 53 households (75% of those who had satellite), freesat 13 (18%), freeview 3 (4%), freesky 1 (1%) and unspecified 1 (1%).

A11: Do you provide tourist accommodation? If so which of the following?

- 4 Households offer B&B
- 6 Households offer Holiday cottages
- 1 Household offers camping/caravan site
- 2 household selected 'other' with one listing self-catering lodges and the other '1 bedroom in barn'.

A12: Would you provide B&B with more practical support?

9 Households said they would offer B&B if they had more support and a further 7 answered Don't know. The vast majority (138) said no and 28 did not reply.

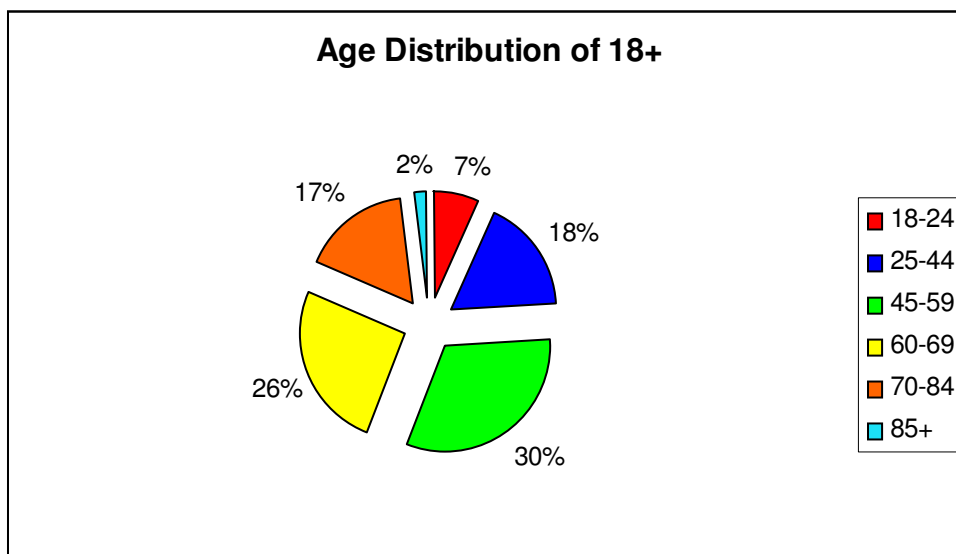
Section B: Individual Information

B1: Gender

150 Males, 187 females, 1 no reply

B2: Which age group do you belong to?

18-24	25-44	45-59	60-69	70-84	85+
23	59	105	86	56	7

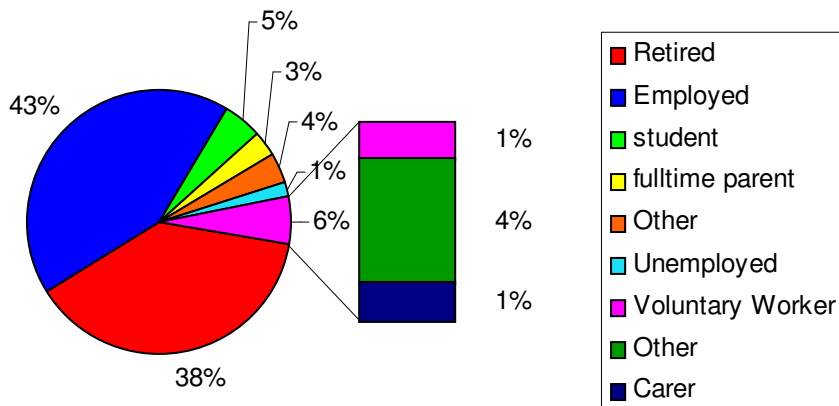


B3: Your situation?

Student	Employed	Unemployed	Carer	FT parent	Voluntary	Retired	Other
16	146	5	4	11	4	128	13

Note that 16 people listed themselves as self-employed (4 from 'employed', 1 from 'retired' and 11 from 'other'). Other also included 1 disabled, 1 housewife.

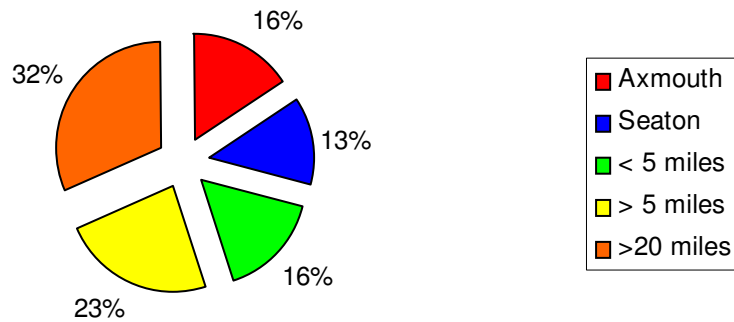
Occupation of respondents



B4: Where is your job, business, school or college?

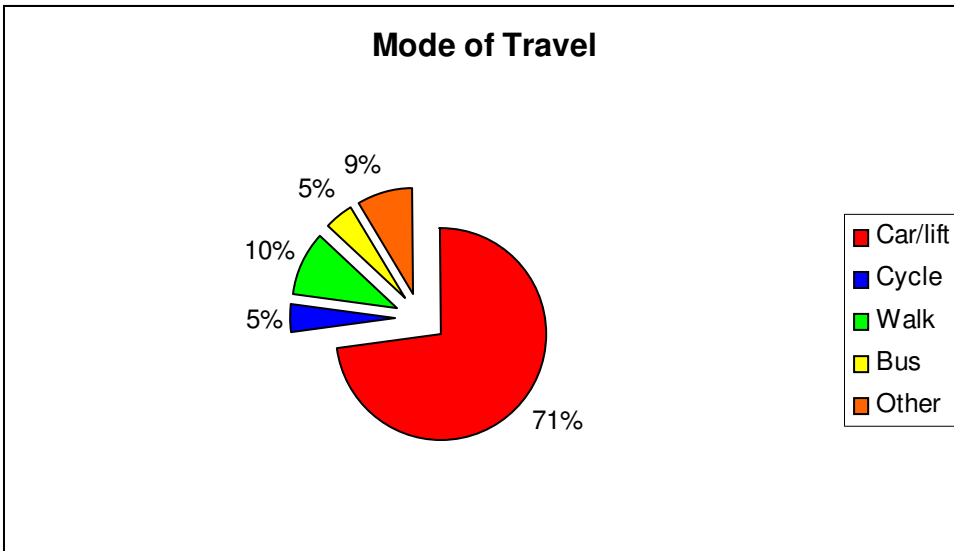
Axmouth	Seaton	< 5 miles	> 5 miles	> 20 miles
31	25	30	44	61

Distance to job, business, school or college

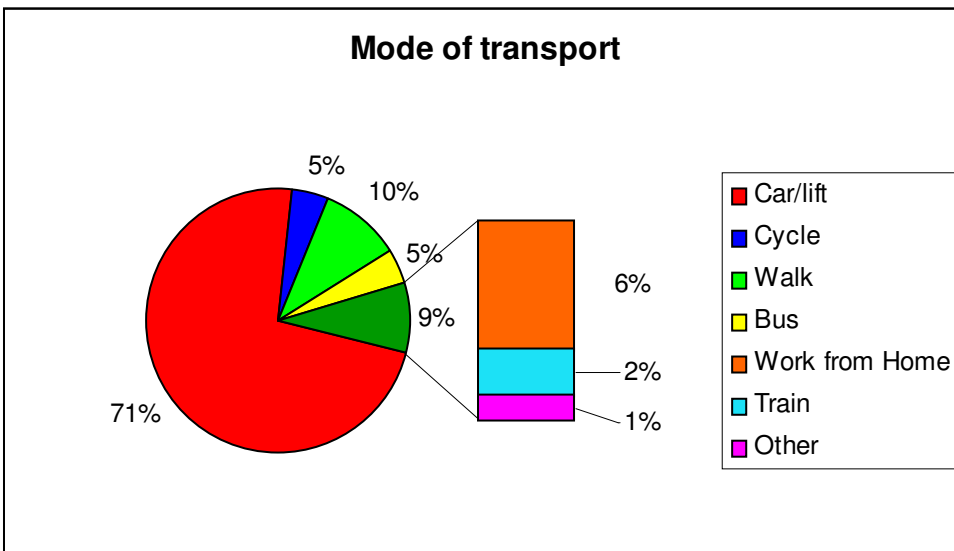


B5: How do you travel to your job, business, school or college?

Car/lift	Cycle	Walk	Bus	Other
144	9	20	9	17

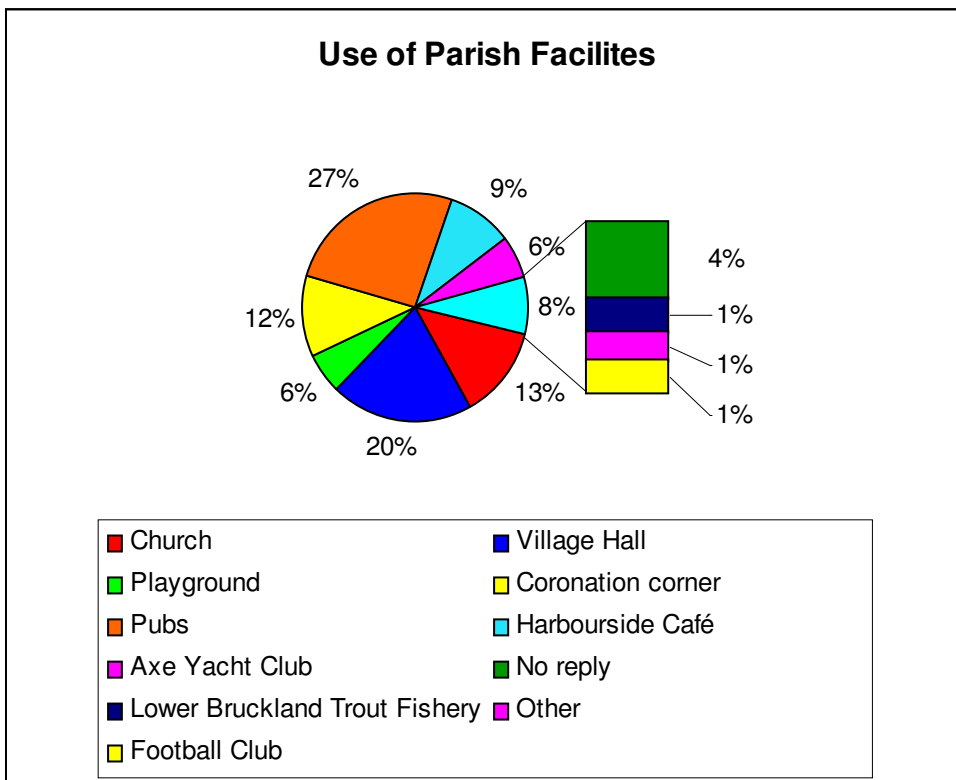
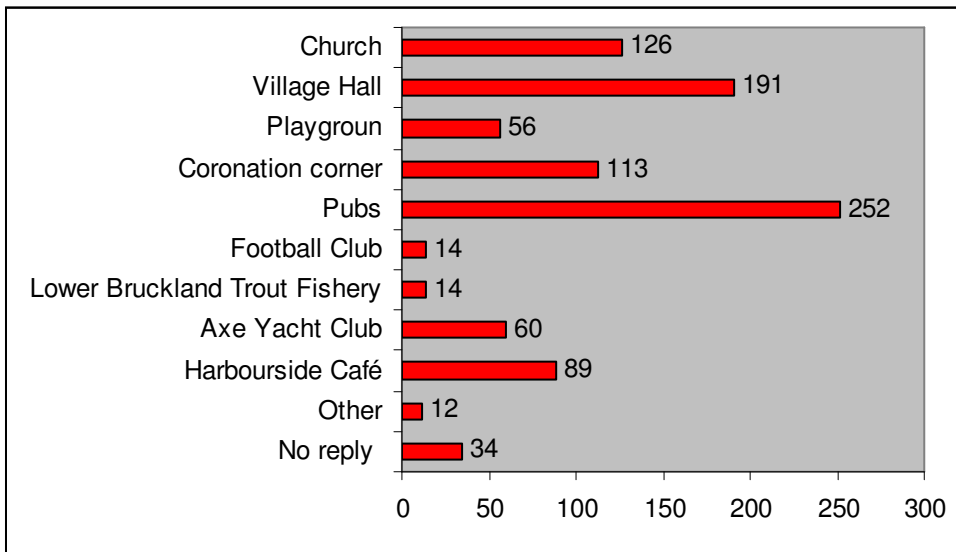


'Other' breaks down to 11 working from home, 4 train, 1 by scooter, 1 by van. I have redrawn the pie chart to show this.

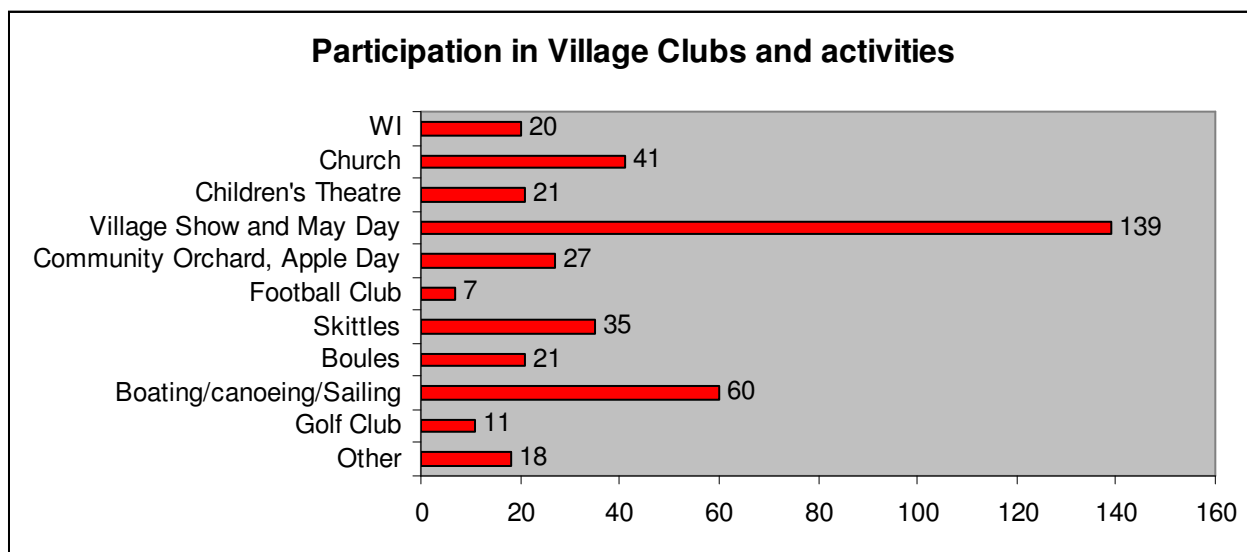


Section C: Community

C1: Tick any of the parish *facilities* you have used over the past year:



C2: Tick any of the following community *clubs or activities* you participate in:

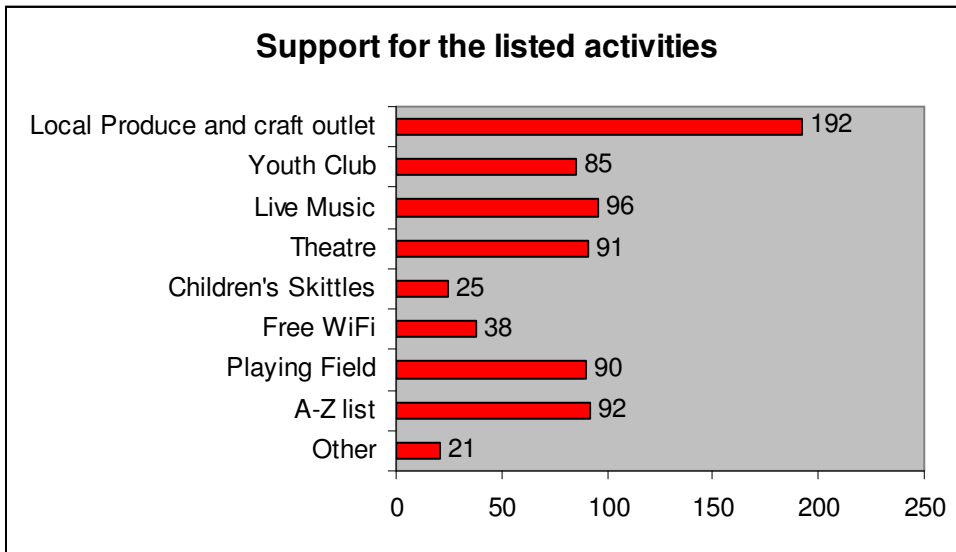


Other: walking, running (2); Devon Wildlife Trust (2), Axevale Conservation Society (2), guiding (1), Cycling (2), scrabble (1), church flowers (1), quiz (1), fishing (1), Spiral (4), darts (1), Pre-school (2), Village Hall Committee (2).

C3: If you use any of the following services, please rate them as good (1), satisfactory (2), or poor (3):

	Total responses	Good	Satisfactory	Poor
Mobile Library	6	6 (100%)	0	0
Police	73	23 (32%)	33 (45%)	17 (23%)
Refuse/recycling	242	93 (38%)	132 (55%)	17 (7%)
Pre-school	8	7 (88%)	0	1 (12%)
Adult/Home care services	6	4 (67%)	2 (33%)	0
GP surgery in VH	26	16 (62%)	7 (27%)	3 (12%)
Bus services	70	10 (14%)	24 (34%)	36 (51%)

C4: The following have been suggested by local residents - which would you support?



No reply from 83 respondents.

Other: Village Shop/PO (15), allotments (3), gym (1), Bingo (2), composter (1).

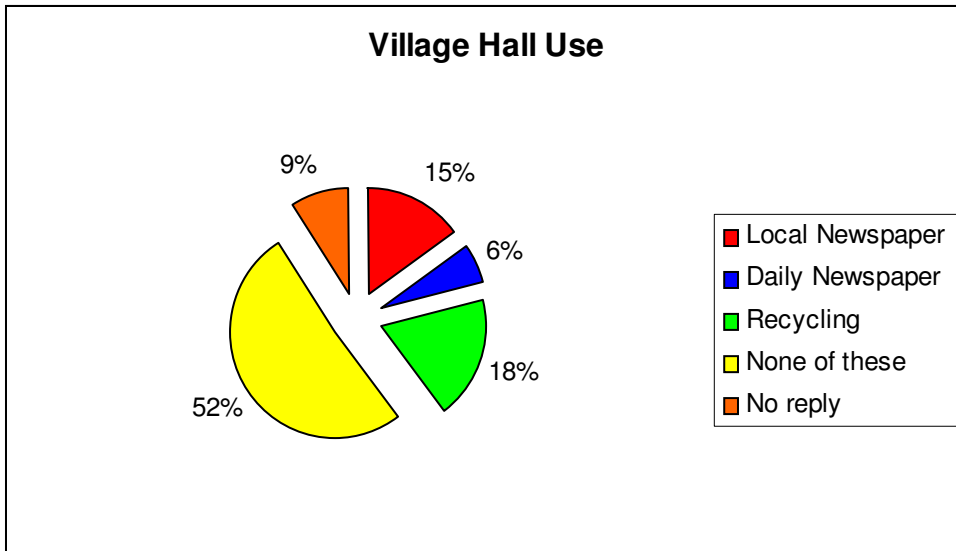
C5: Would you volunteer for any of the following?

Staffing an outlet for local produce	Litter-picking days	Bulb planting	Other	Total responses
62	91	71	7	136

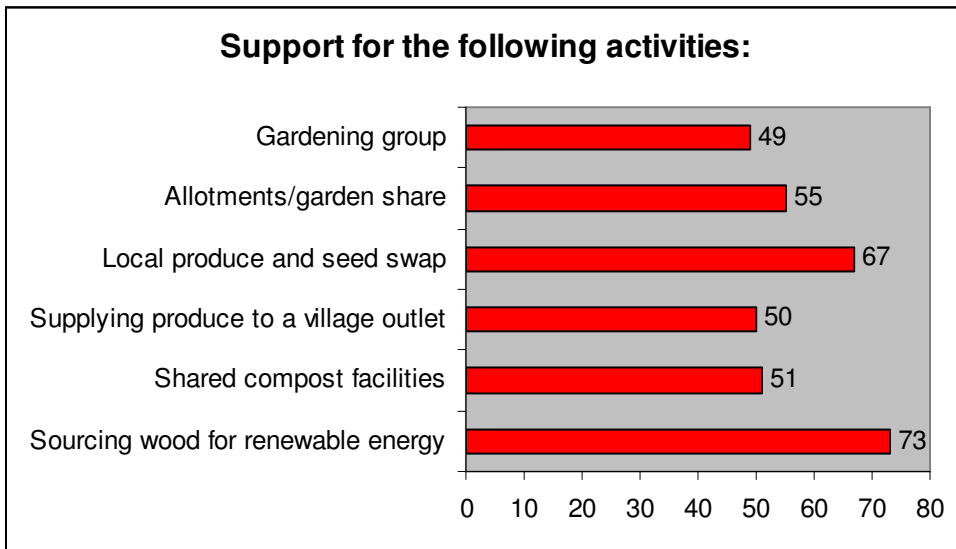
Other included two volunteers to do brook clearance, one for tree planting, one for Theatre and one to cook in café.

C6: Which of the following at the village hall do you regularly use?

Local Newspaper	Daily Newspaper	Recycling	None of these	No reply
60	25	73	202	36



C7: Would you support any of the following?



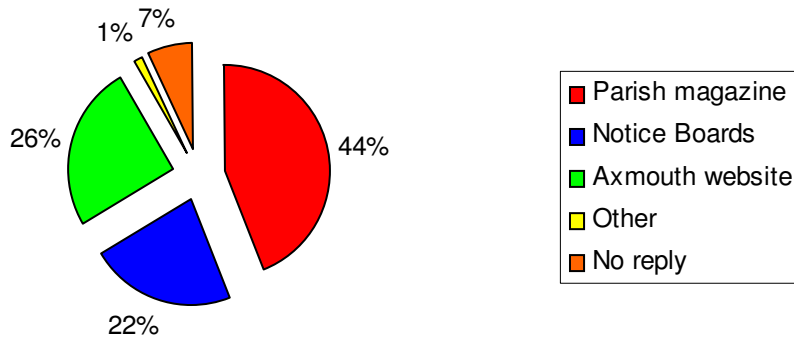
Note no others; total response 163; no replies 175.

C8: Communications: How would you prefer to find out about what is going on in the parish?

Parish Magazine	Notice Boards	Axmouth Website	Other	No reply
220	110	130	7	35

Other: Email (3), gossip (1), word of mouth (1), local shop (1), local newspaper (1); one person commented they don't get the parish magazine.

Communication within parish

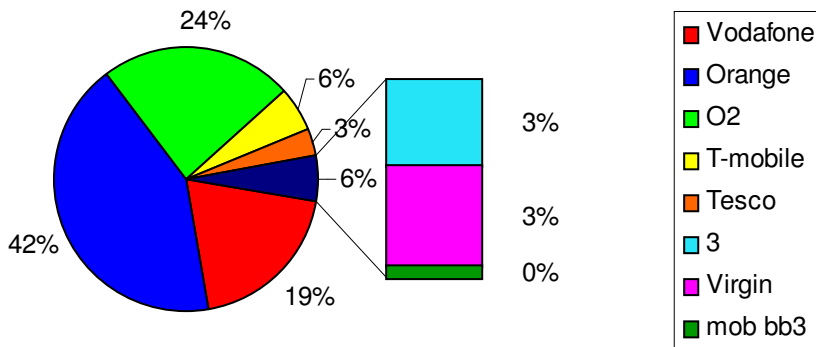


C9: If you have a mobile phone please specify network and rate the signal as good (1), satisfactory (2) or poor (3):

Vodafone	Orange	O2	T-mobile	Tesco	3	Virgin	Mob bb3	No reply
52	116	64	15	9	7	8	1	55

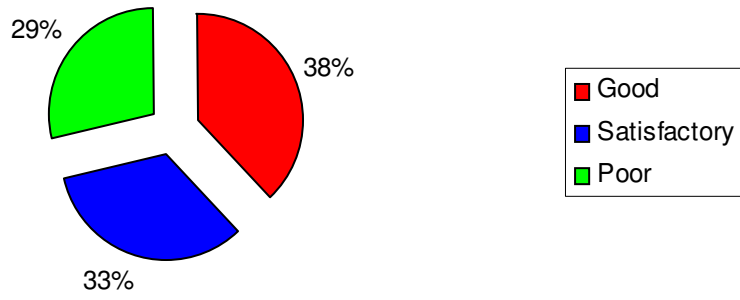
Total response 272

Mobile Network



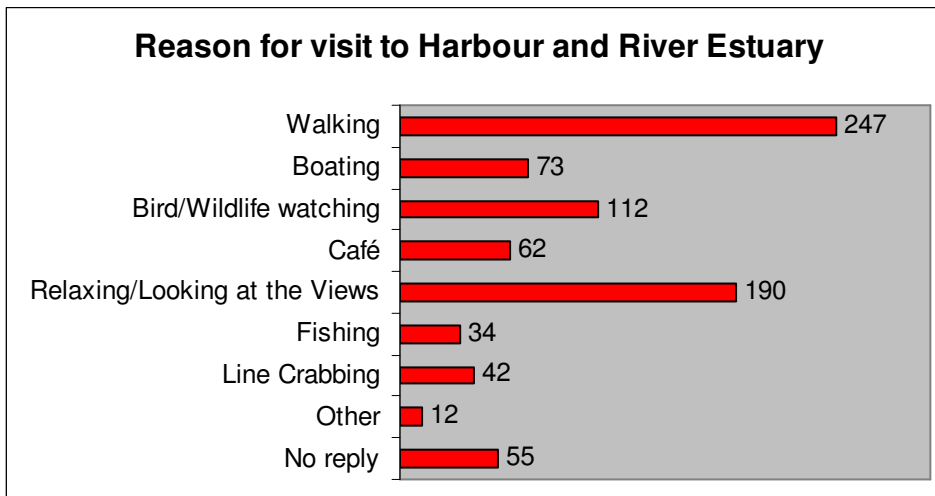
Total	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	No reply
276	105	91	80	62

Mobile Phone Signal Rating



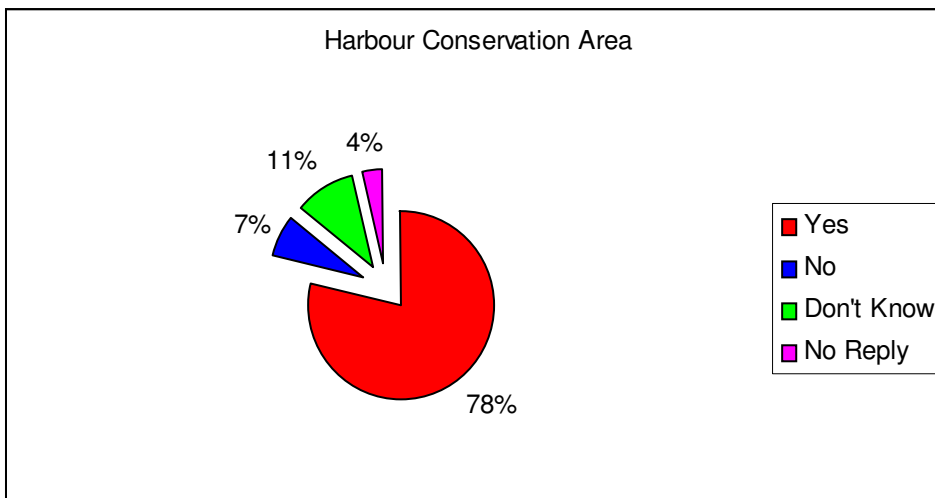
Section D: The Harbour

D1: If you visit or use the harbour and river estuary, tick your main reasons:



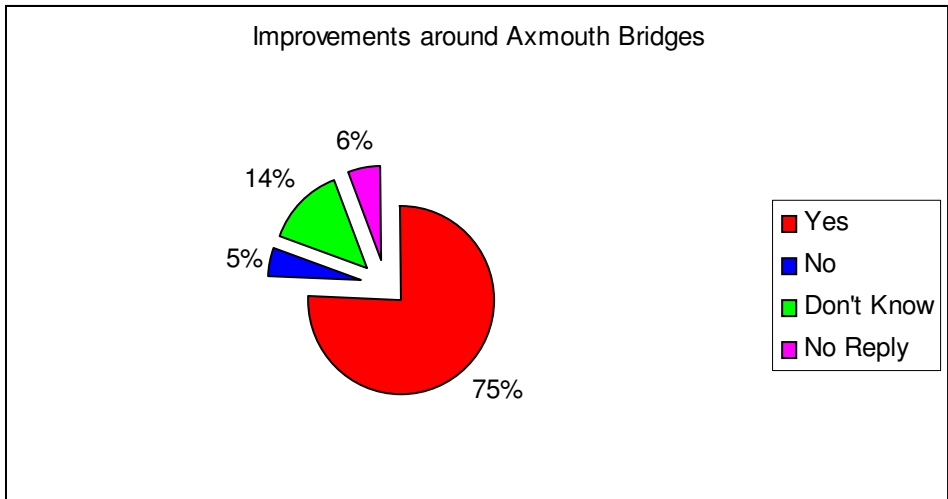
D2: Would you support a Conservation Area around the Harbour?

Yes	265
No	25
Don't Know	36
No Reply	12



D3: Would you support improvements to the area around the Axmouth bridges?

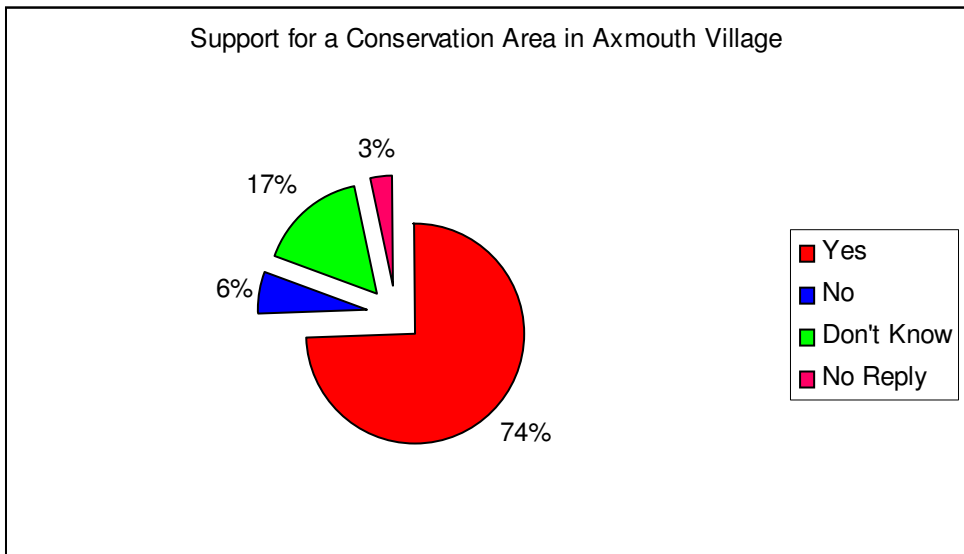
Yes	254
No	17
Don't Know	48
No Reply	19



Section E: Axmouth Village

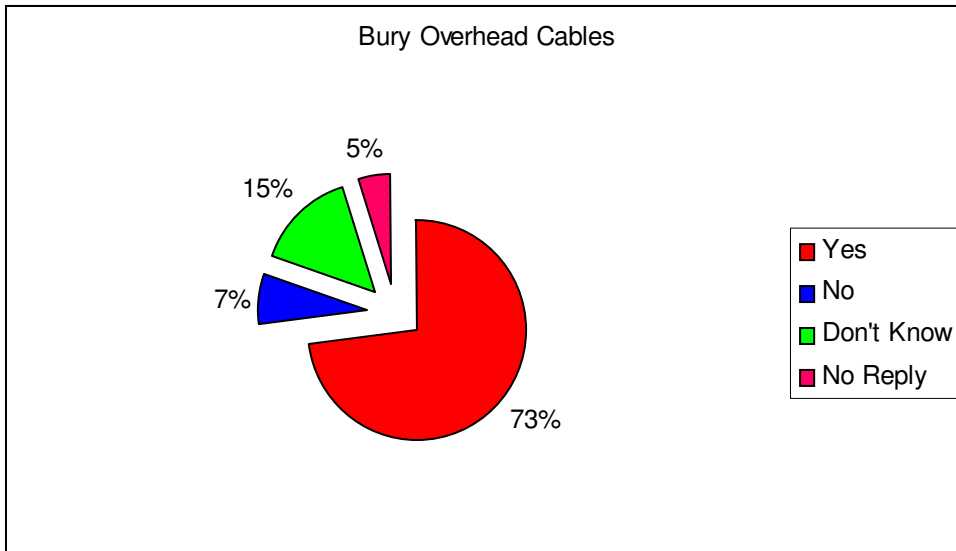
E1: Would you support a Conservation Area in Axmouth Village?

Yes	251
No	20
Don't Know	56
No Reply	11



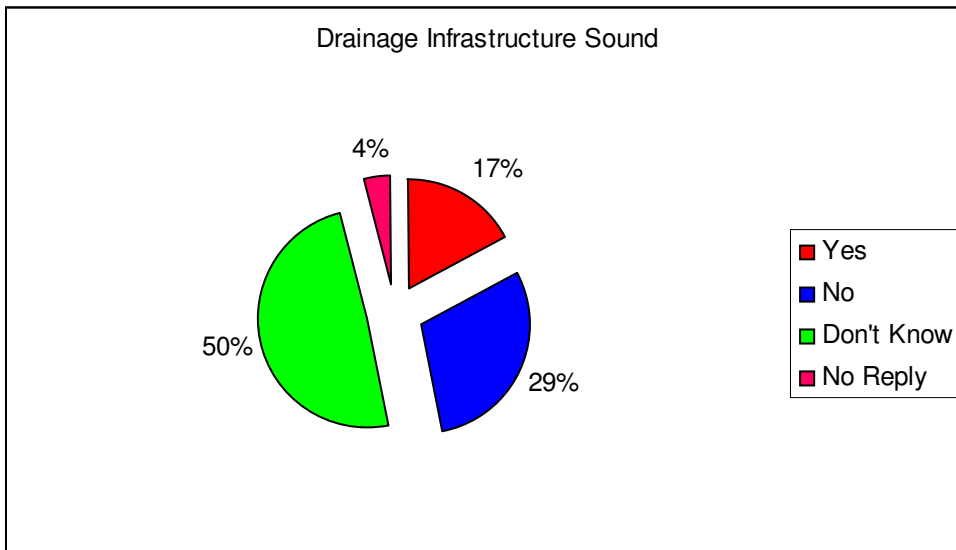
E2: Would you want overhead cables buried?

Yes	254
No	17
Don't Know	48
No Reply	19



E3: Are you confident that the drainage infrastructure is sufficiently robust and adequately maintained?

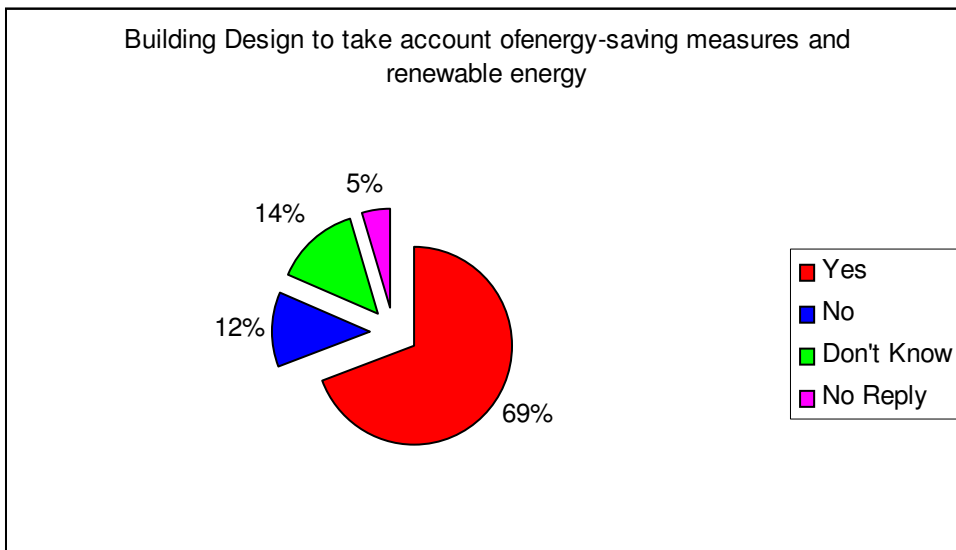
Yes	59
No	99
Don't Know	167
No Reply	13



Section F: Planning and Development

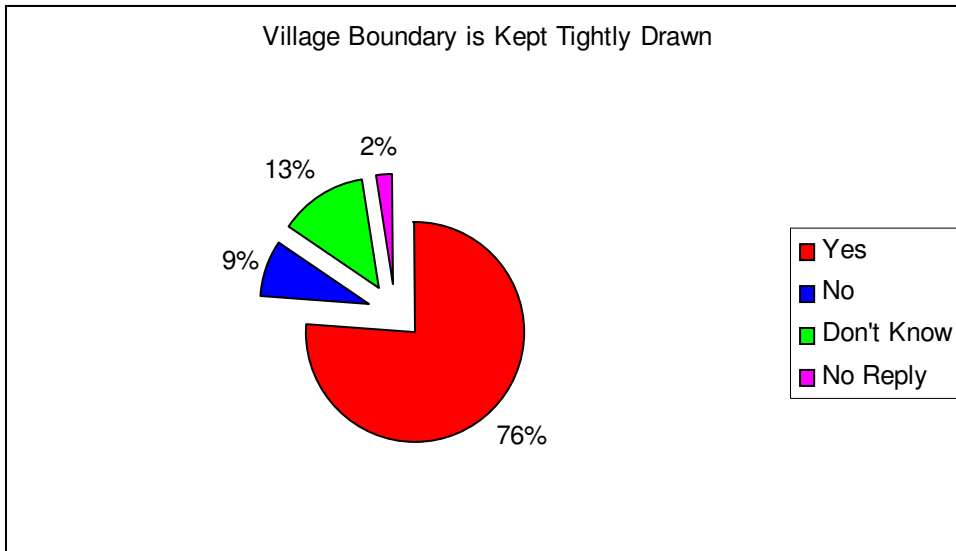
F1: Should planning authorities take more account of energy saving measures and renewable energy in building design?

Yes	234
No	41
Don't Know	47
No Reply	16



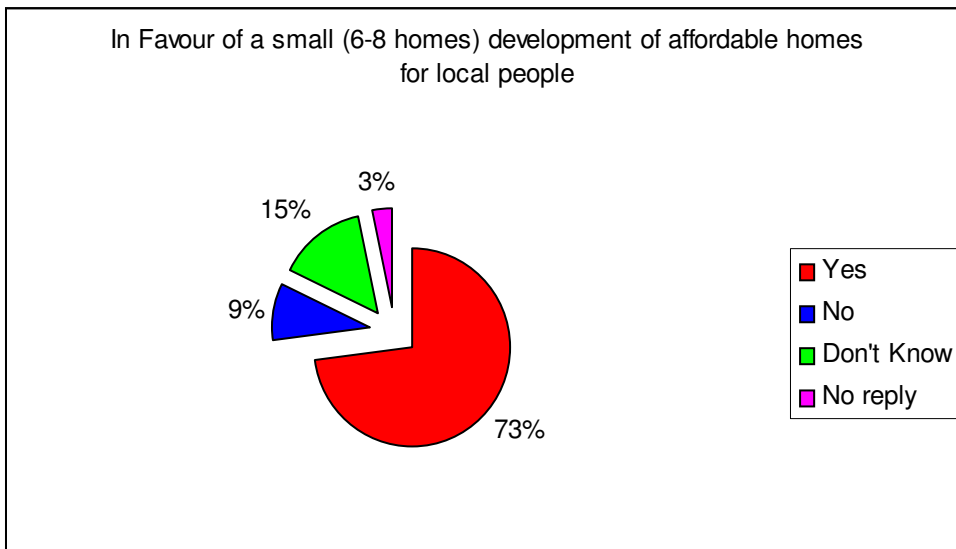
F2: Is it important for you that the village development boundary is kept tightly drawn, with development beyond this not permitted?

Yes	256
No	29
Don't Know	45
No Reply	8



F3: Would you be in favour of a small (6-8) development of affordable homes within the parish for local people, if there were a proven need?

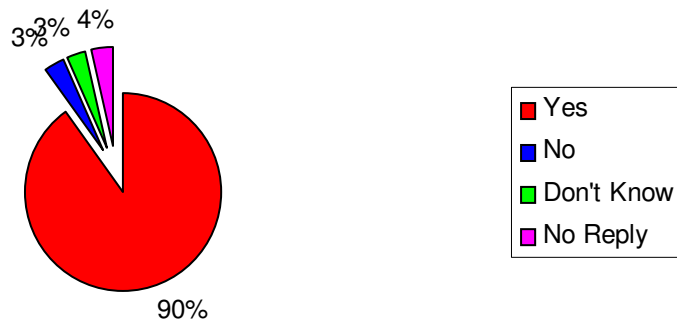
Yes	246
No	31
Don't Know	50
No Reply	11



F4: Should the planning authorities permit only development that is of the best design standard *and* sympathetic to the village/parish environment?

Yes	304
No	11
Don't Know	11
No Reply	12

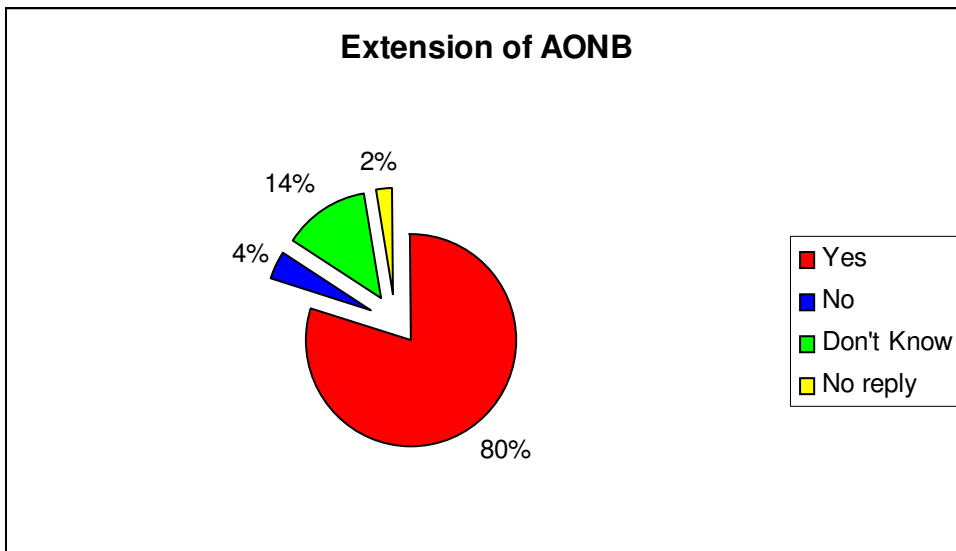
Development only permitted if of the best design standard and sympathetic to the village/parish environment



Section G: The Axe Estuary

G1: Should the AONB status be extended to cover the whole estuary up to the Seaton boundary?

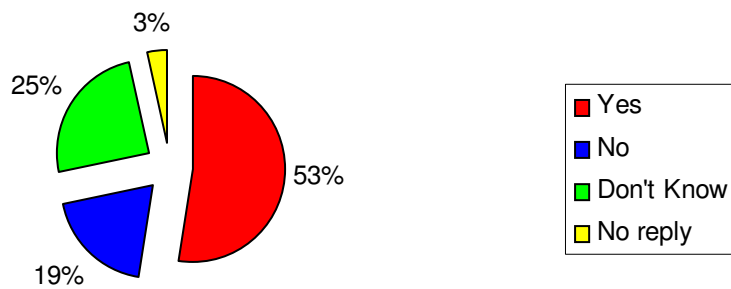
Yes	269
No	15
Don't Know	46
No reply	8



G2: Would you support the construction of a viewing area near Coronation corner?

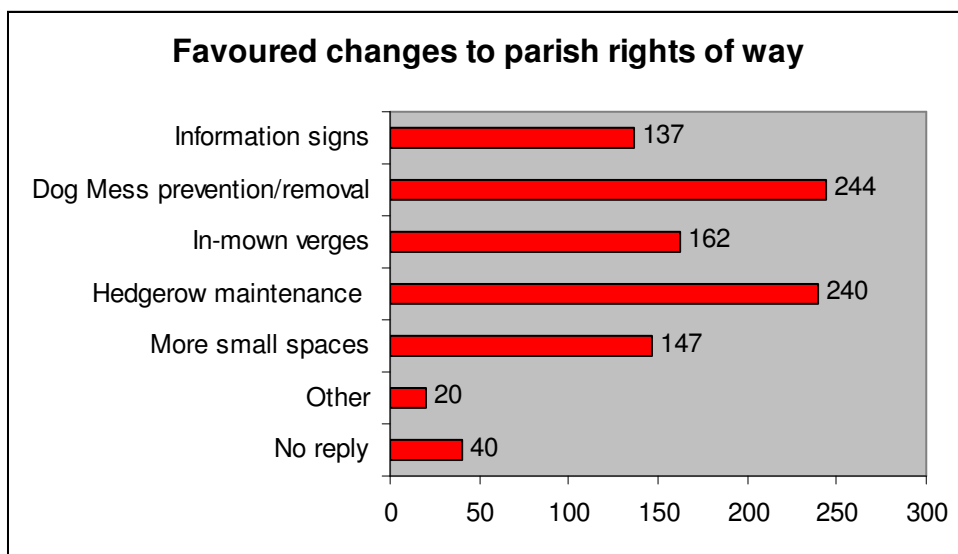
Yes	177
No	65
Don't Know	85
No reply	11

Construction of viewing area near Coronation Corner



Section H: Rights of way

H1: If you use the parish rights of way (footpaths and bridleways), which of the following changes would you favour?



Other ideas include:

- Historical information
- Local cycle way
- More rights of way
- Kissing gates not stiles
- Current seats need attention
- Flower beds/pots at Coronation corner
- Dog friendly stiles
- More footpaths, bridleways

5 respondents commented: Leave nature to itself.

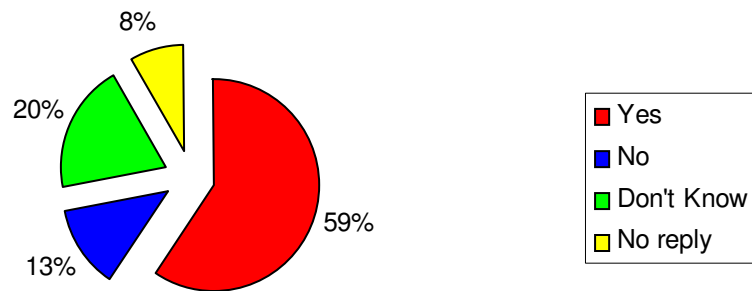
Suggestions for new routes:

- Over Hawksdown Hill
- Bindon Cliff land
- To the estuary and sea
- through marsh towards Stedcombe and Colyford
- green lane to Stedcombe
- Village to Stedcombe Vale
- To Hill fort
- Around parish boundary
- Nine springs area
- rough leigh barn to cliffs
- Haven farm
- Signed circular walk
- Back lane
- Boshill are
- Hill above Axmouth
- farm track south of Stedcombe
- the woods and fields above higher lane
- Squires Lane to Steppes/Coldwell Lane
- Higher Axmouth to the Undercliff
- Land Slip
- Up and around Higher Lane and Rousdon
- High level parallel with estuary and sea end; Low level inside hedge to Boshill Cross
- Riverside tow path; Village - Boshill Cross; Hawksdown Hill Fort - Village to Golf Club
- Hawksdown Hill - Fort, Coombe Rd. and Steppes Lane, Undercliffe to Barnend

H2: Would you like to see more off-road footpaths and circular walks in the parish?

Yes	199
No	43
Don't Know	68
No reply	28

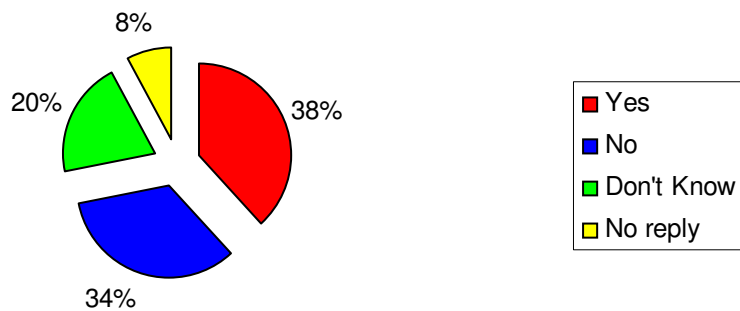
More off-road footpaths and circular walks



H3: Are you satisfied with the standard of maintenance of footpaths and the Brook?

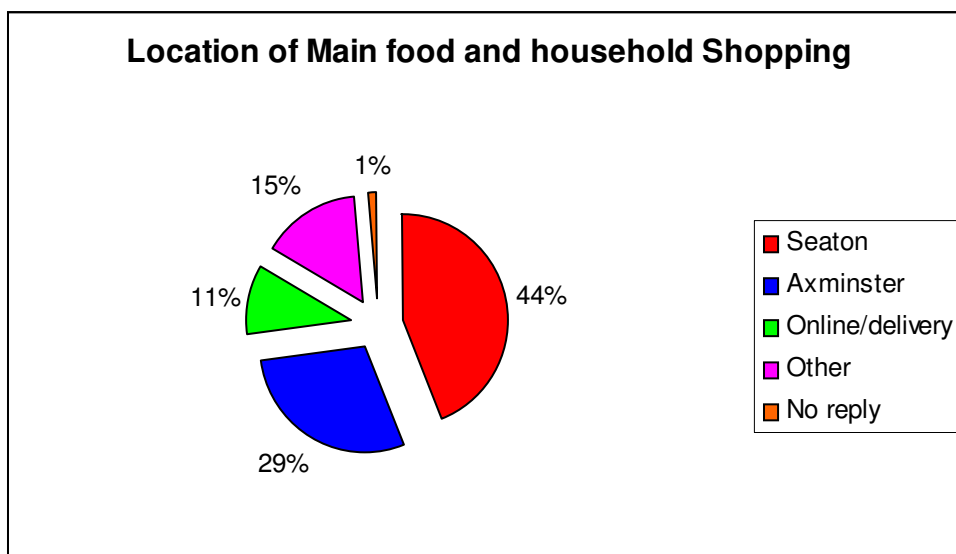
Yes	129
No	114
Don't Know	69
No reply	26

Satisfied with maintenance of brook and footpaths



Section I: Shopping

I1: Where do you do your main food and household shopping?

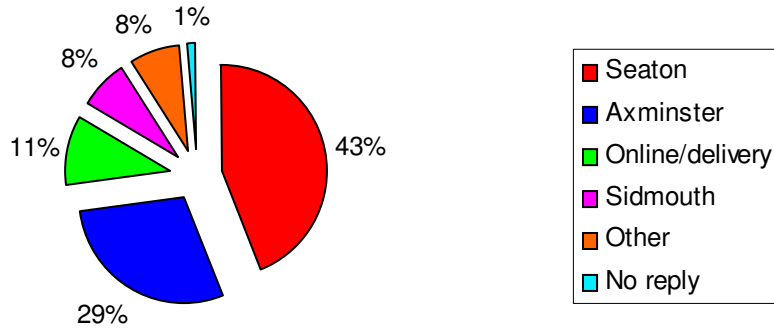


I analysed the 'Other' further:

Sidmouth	Bridport	Millers, Honiton	Exeter, Taunton	Chard	Lyme, Cash & Carry	Sidford, Colyton, Colyford	Unspecified
32	9	8	7	6	2	1	3

So I have revised the pie chart to show Sidmouth:

Location of Main and Household Shopping

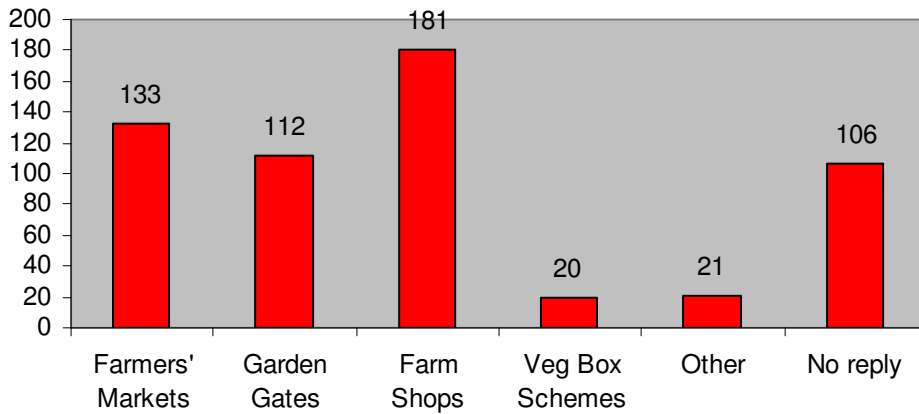


I2: Do you prefer to buy local produce whenever possible?

275 respondents (81%) prefer to buy local produce
 19 (4%) don't and 44 (13%) did not reply.

Only 253 of the 275 respondents specified where they got their local produce from:

Where local produce is bought

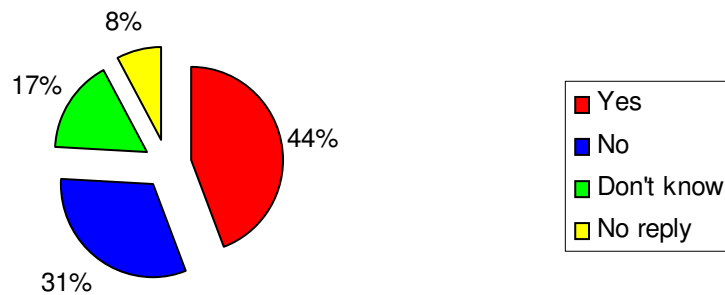


Section J: Tourism

J1: Should Axmouth promote itself more for tourism?

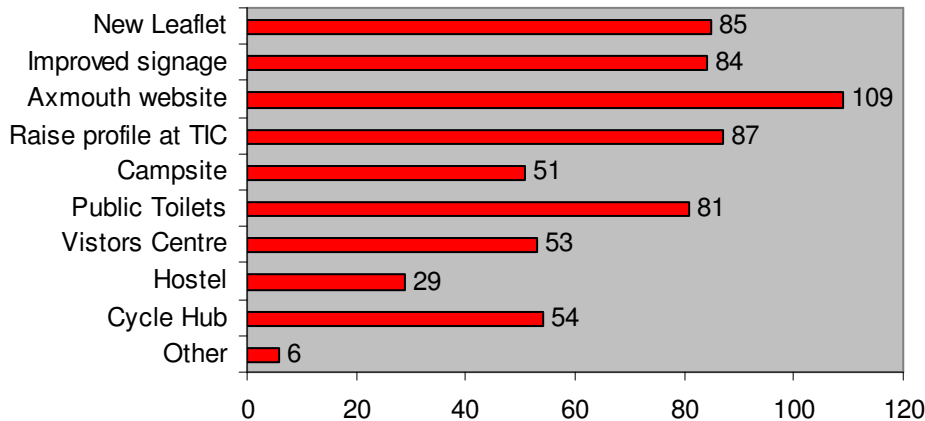
Yes	150
No	106
Don't Know	56
No reply	26

Should Axmouth promote itself more for Tourism?



For the second part of the question we only had 164 responses (174 no replies). In the 'other section', three people said that a village shop would help, one asked for parking for walkers, and 2 said no campsite.

Ways to promote tourism in Axmouth

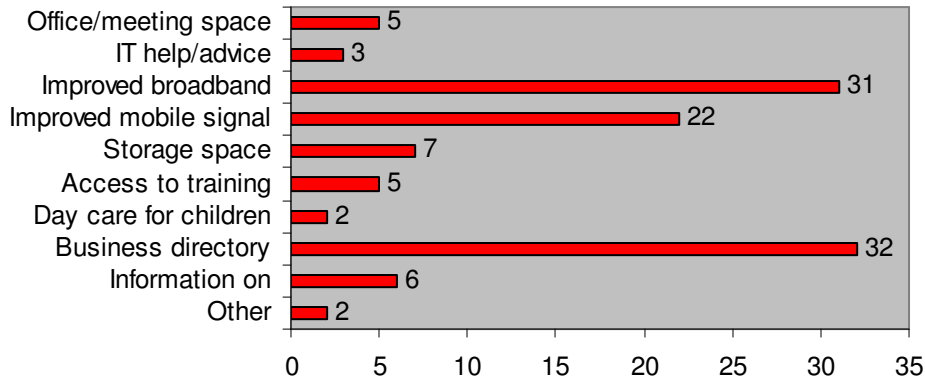


Section K: Employment

K1: If you run a business, including tourist accommodation, or are self-employed, what support do you or you staff need?

Only 63 responses to this question. The two 'others' were local support and investment.

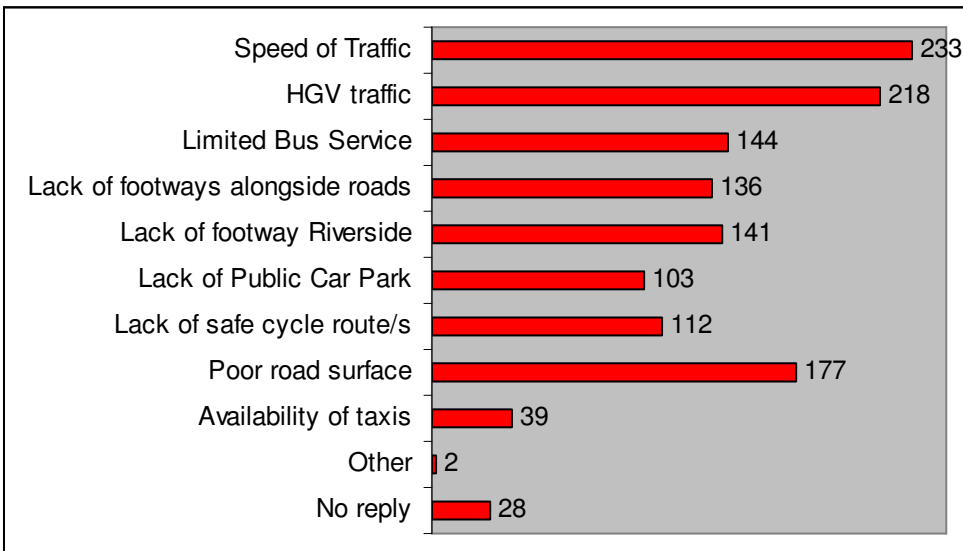
Support needed for local businesses and self-employed

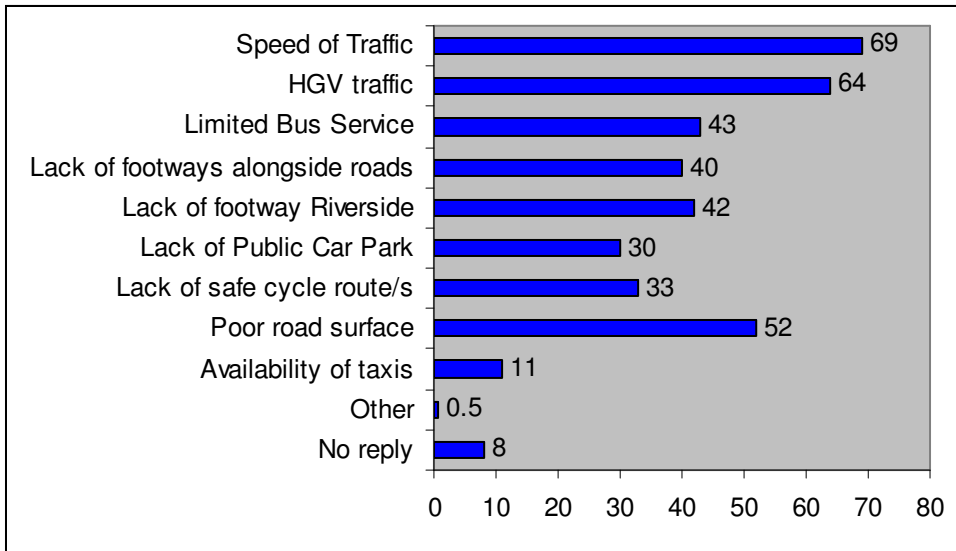


Section L: Traffic

L1: Do you consider any of the following are issues in the Village?

Shown as raw numbers (red) and as percentages (blue) calculated using total number of respondents as numerator (ie 338).



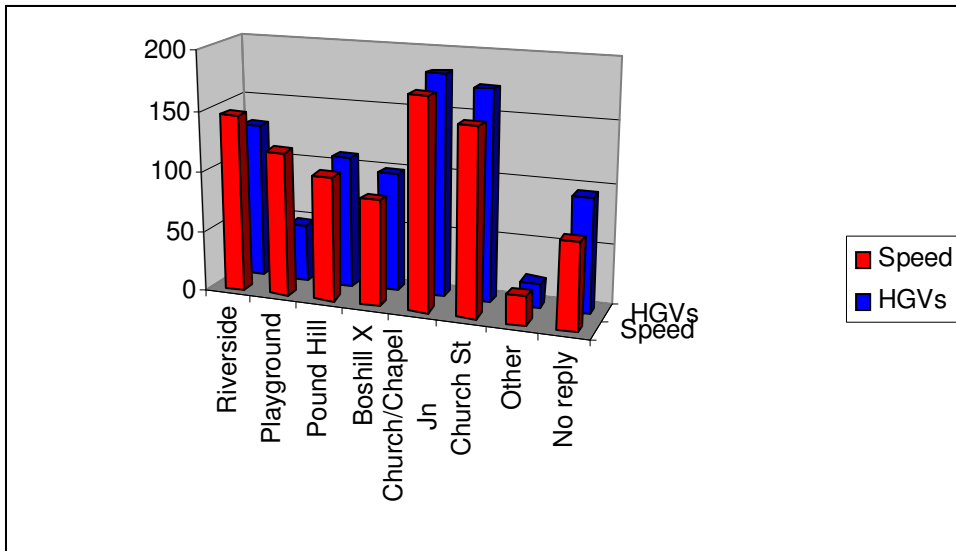


L2 and L3: Where do you consider speed of traffic and HGV traffic are issues?

Raw numbers are given below and plotted up in first figure.

	Speed of Traffic	HGVs
Riverside	146	129
Playground	119	48
Pound Hill	103	109
Boshill Cross	88	99
Church St/Chapel St Jn	174	183
Church St	154	174
Other	24	21
No reply	71	95

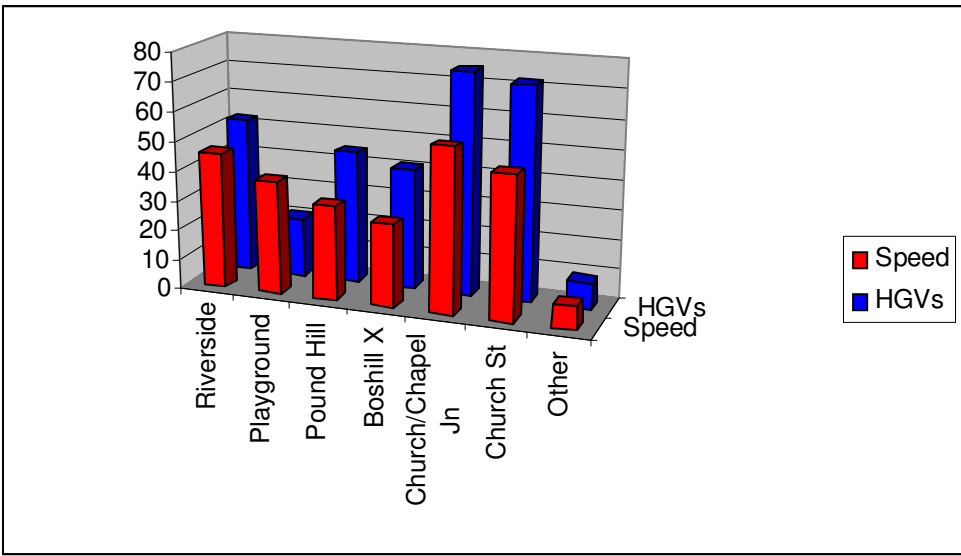
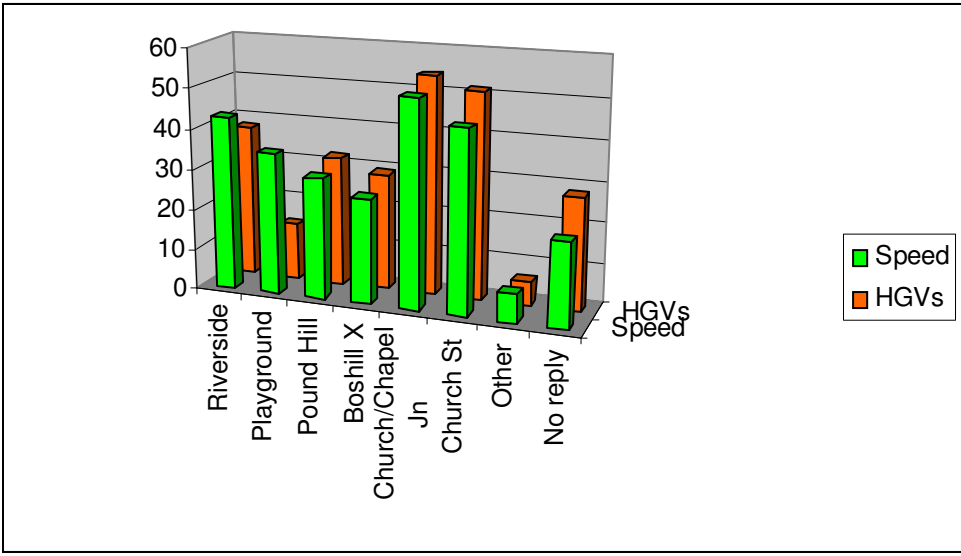
Raw Numbers:



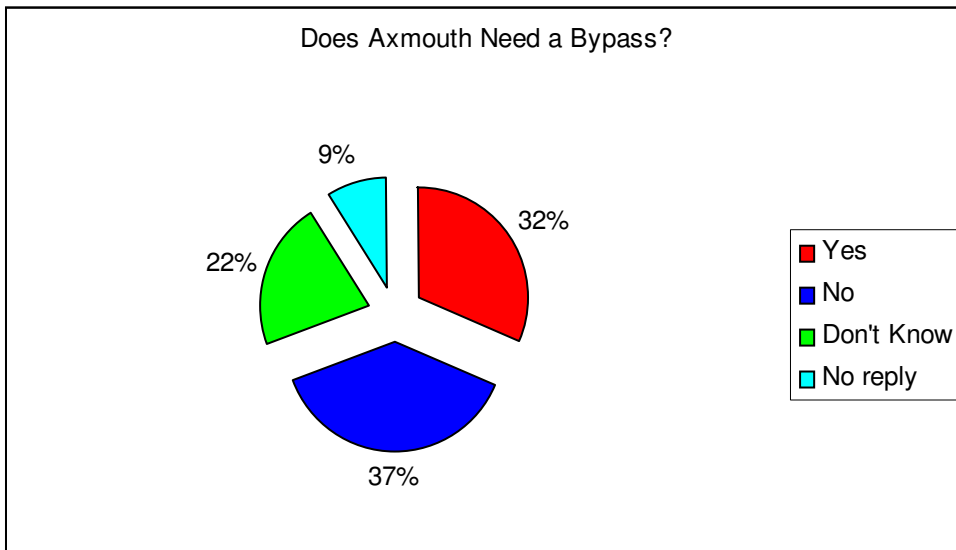
I think it is clearer to use percentages for this question and we return to the issue of how to calculate the percentages. This time it makes sense to use calculate the percentages from the total number of responses to these questions. This is because L1 has highlighted how many people think it is an issue, now we are finding out *where* these people these people think it occurs. Not much difference for L2 (speed) but due to lower response rate for L3 makes a big difference.

	Speed of Traffic		HGVs	
	% of total respondents	% of total responses	% of total respondents	% of total responses
Riverside	43	46	38	53
Playground	35	38	14	20
Pound Hill	30	32	32	45
Boshill Cross	26	28	29	41
Church St/Chapel St Jn	51	55	54	75
Church St	45	48	51	72
Other	7	8	6	9
No reply	21		28	

Using total number of *respondents* is shown in first graph (green and orange) and using total number of *responses* is shown in second graph (red and blue).

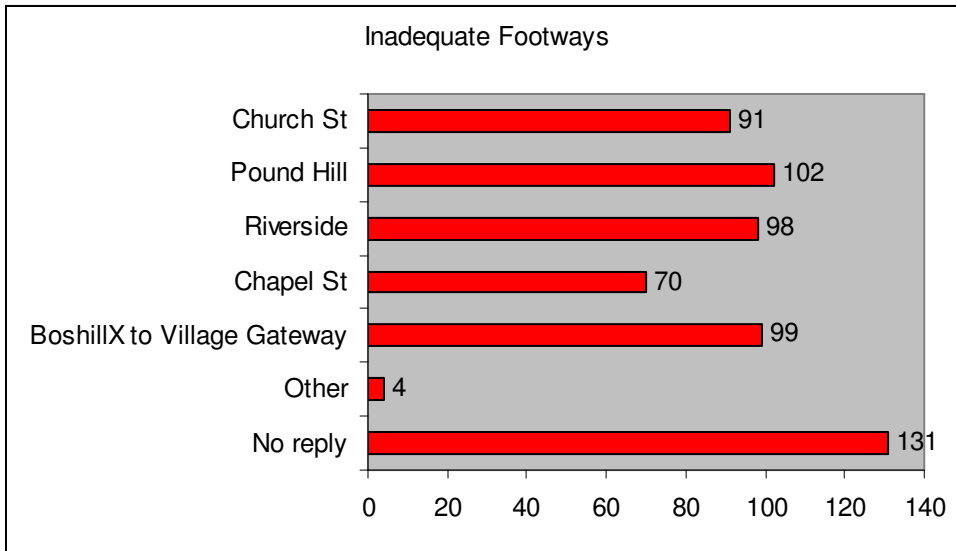


L4: Does Axmouth need a bypass?



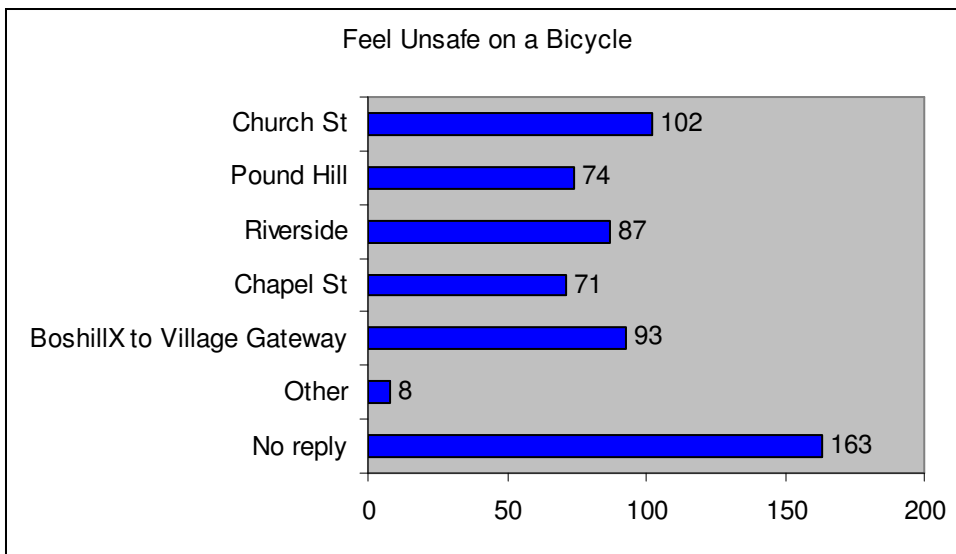
M: Transport and Getting Around

M1: Where do you consider the footways alongside the roads are inadequate?

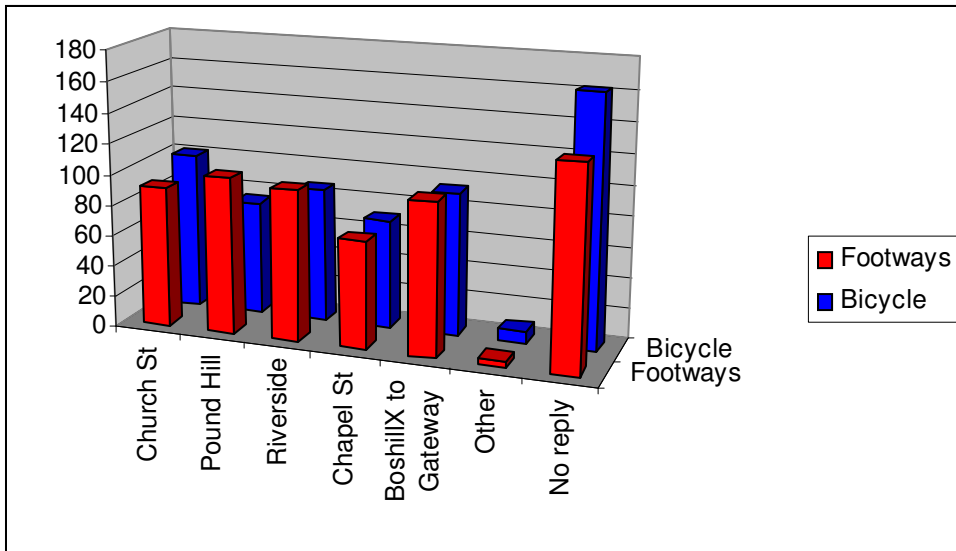


I looked at the Boshill Cross to Village Gateway for the Stedcombe respondents. 12/23 (52%) thought this was inadequate.

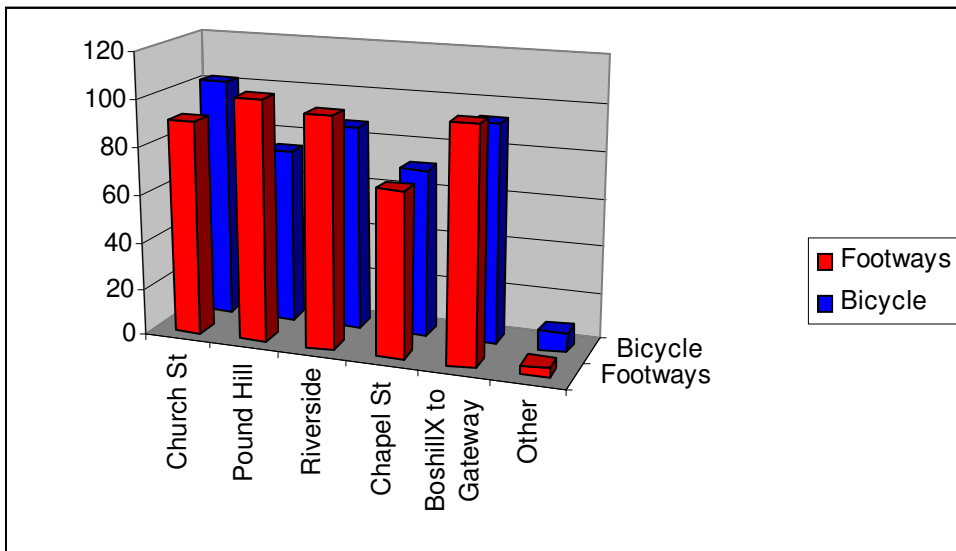
M2: Where do you feel unsafe on a bicycle?



We can combine M1 and M2 to give:

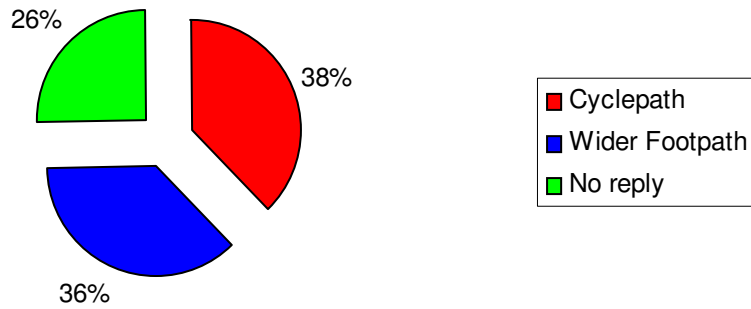


I think it is clearer without the 'No reply':

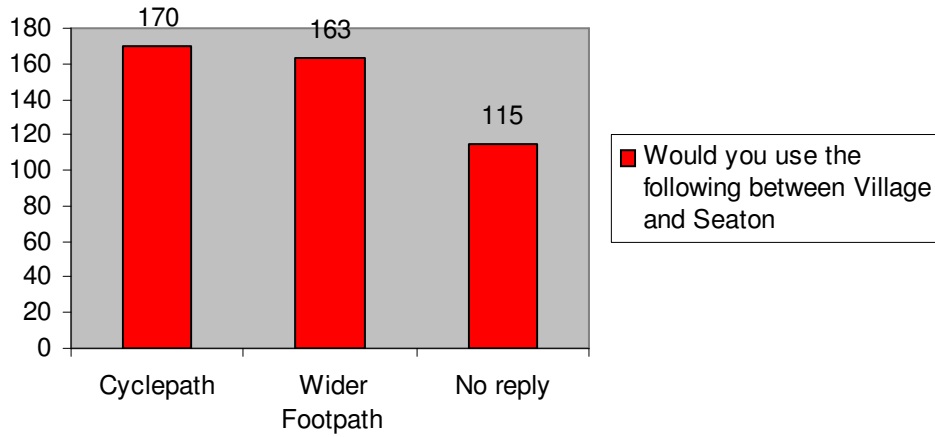


M3: If one of the following were provided between the Village and Seaton, would you use them?

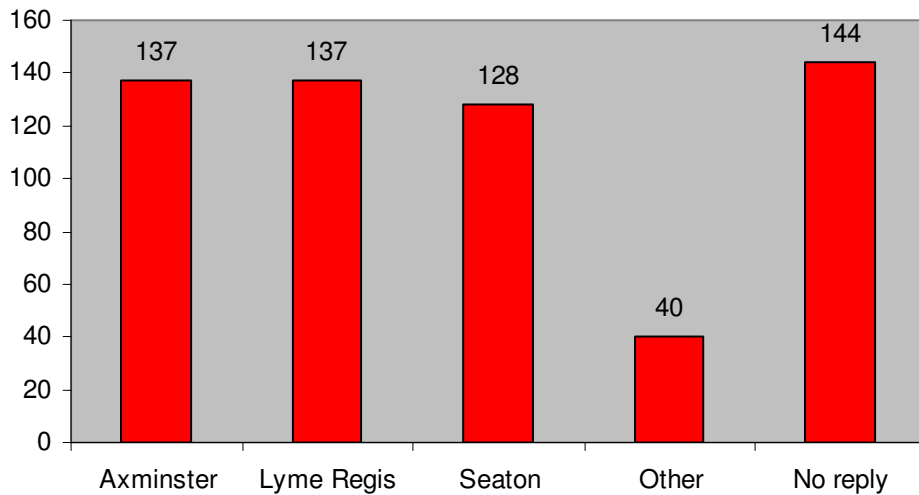
Would you use the following between Village and Seaton



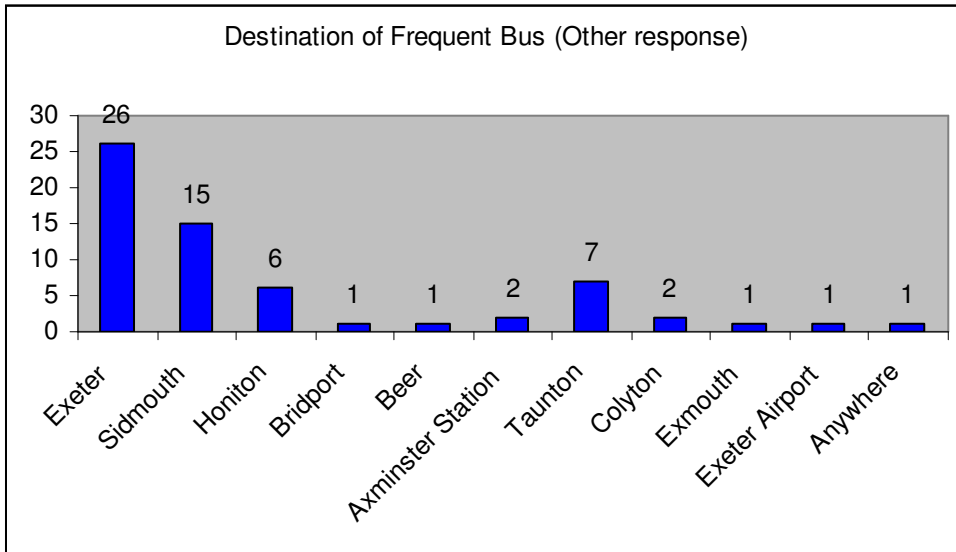
Would you use the following between Village and Seaton



M4: Which destinations would you like to reach by a frequent and direct bus?



I analysed the 'Other' responses further to give:

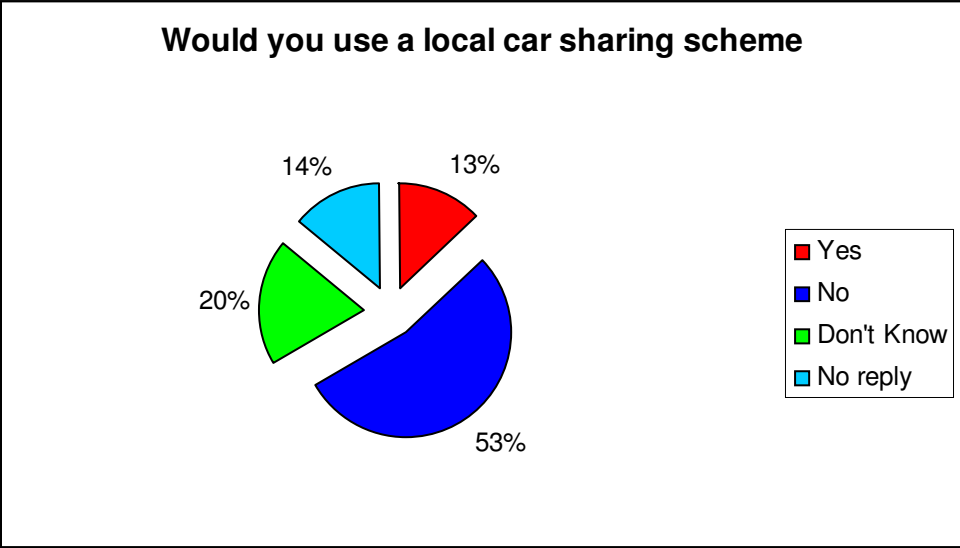


Overall:

194 people (57%) would like a more frequent bus to at least one destination.

Destination	Number of responses
Axminster	137
Lyme Regis	137
Seaton	128
No response	144
Total Other	40
Exeter	26
Sidmouth	15
Taunton	7
Honiton	6
Axminster Station, Colyton	2
Bridport, Beer, Exmouth, Exeter Airport, Anywhere	1

M5: Would you use a local car sharing scheme, eg school run, travel to work, station, shopping?



M6: How often have you used TRIP (ring and ride) community transport?

Only 4 people had used TRIP during the last 6 months with 310 people who said they had never used it. No reply from 24 respondents.