

# Fowey Neighbourhood Plan Survey Results

**4. Your postcode:**



**5. Your employment status:**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Work in Fowey	20.2%	66
Work outside Fowey	23.9%	78
Seeking work	1.8%	6
Retired	53.5%	175
Student	0.6%	2
<b>answered question</b>		<b>327</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>148</b>



**Conclusion:**

Over half of survey respondents indicated they were retired, with 44% in employment in or outside Fowey.

Data on economic activity from 2011 census indicates a retirement level of 23.7% and the economically active (employed full time, part time and self-employed) at 64.5%. This would suggest the potential for returned information to demonstrate a greater reflection of the views of the retired population of Fowey.

**N.B** The survey was not able to reflect where there was a combination of employment status within the household, or where parents were currently out of the employment market while raising children. Several respondents indicated they 'worked from home'. It is therefore not possible to establish the level of home-based employment or self-employment.

**6. Please complete for the number of people living in your house or dwelling: indicate age and gender**

<b>Person1</b>			
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
18-30	6	2	8
31-55	49	32	81
56-64	34	33	67
Over 65	70	89	159

<b>Person2</b>			
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
18-30	4	8	12
31-55	31	30	61
56-64	31	19	50
Over 65	64	36	100

<b>Person3</b>			
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
18-30	4	9	13
31-55	1	3	4
56-64	0	0	0
Over 65	0	2	2

<b>Person4</b>			
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
18-30	3	1	4
31-55	1	0	1
56-64	0	0	0
Over 65	0	0	0

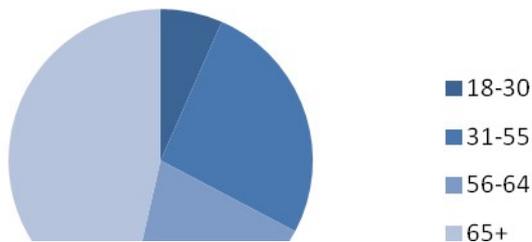
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<i>answered question</i>	<b>313</b>
<i>skipped question</i>	<b>162</b>

**6. Please complete for the number of people living in your house or dwelling: indicate age and gender**

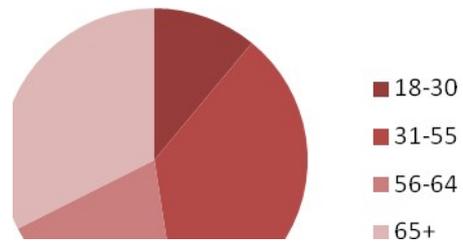
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Answer Options	Female	Male	Response Count
18-30	17	20	37
31-55	82	65	147
56-64	65	52	117
Over 65	134	127	261

Survey respondents: Age Groups by %



2011 Census: Age Groups by %

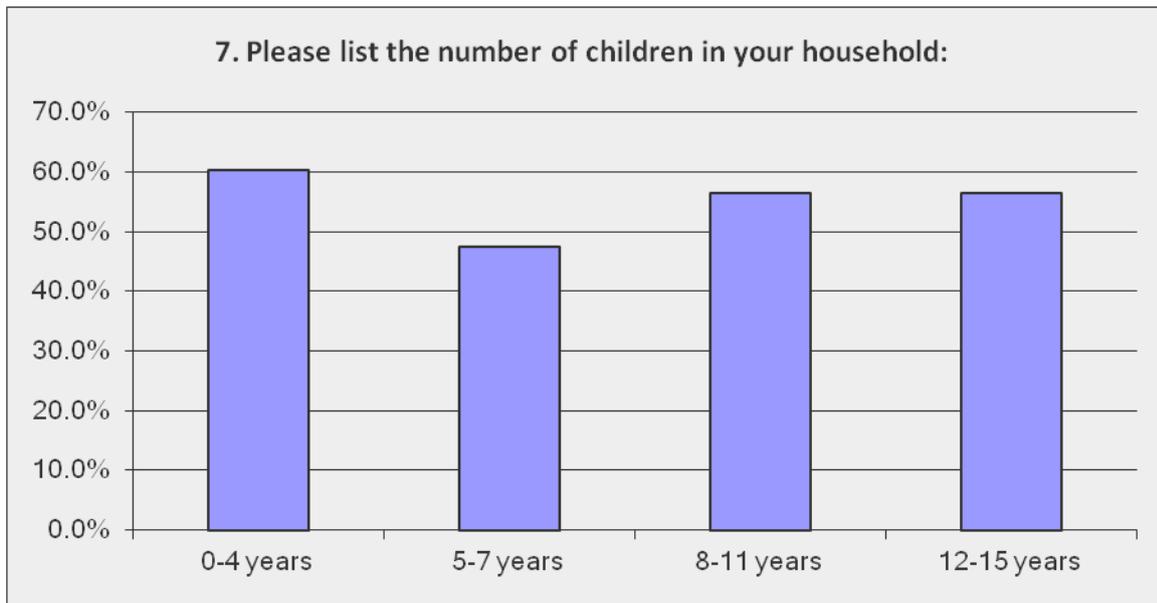


**Conclusion:**

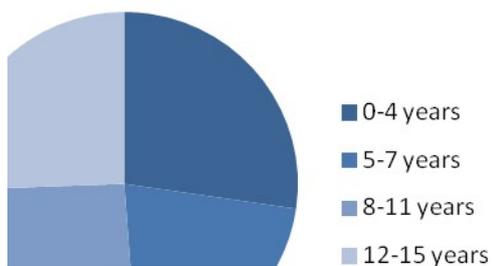
In comparison to census data, the survey represents the views of a higher proportion of over 65s and lower proportion of 18 to 55 year olds.

**N.B** The survey requested confirmation of children up to the age of 15 and adults over the age of 18. Those aged 16 and 17 years are not represented.

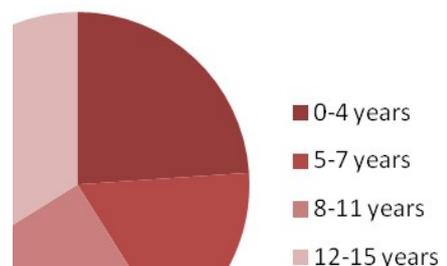
<b>7. Please list the number of children in your household:</b>		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
0-4 years	60.3%	47
5-7 years	47.4%	37
8-11 years	56.4%	44
12-15 years	56.4%	44
<i>answered question</i>		<b>78</b>
<i>skipped question</i>		<b>397</b>



**Survey respondents: Child ages**



**2011 Census: Child ages**

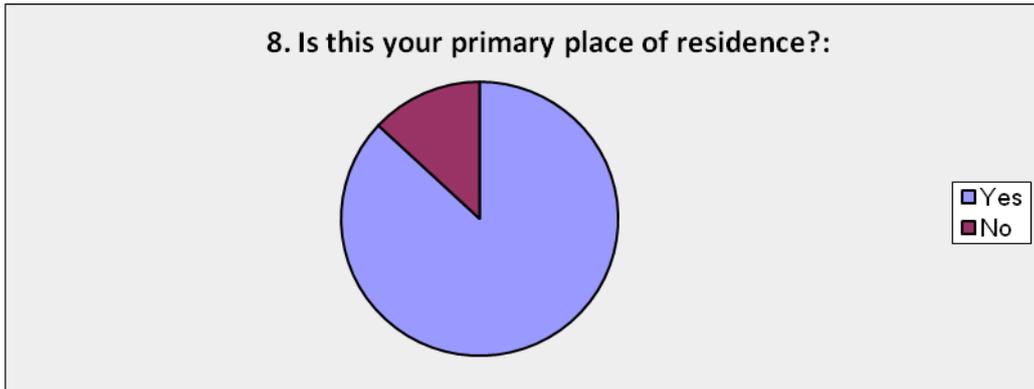


**Conclusion:**

Survey respondents represent a lower proportion of those households with children aged over 12 years and a higher proportion of those with children below 4 years.

**8. Is this your primary place of residence?:**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	86.9%	284
No	13.1%	43
<i>answered question</i>		<b>327</b>
<i>skipped question</i>		<b>148</b>



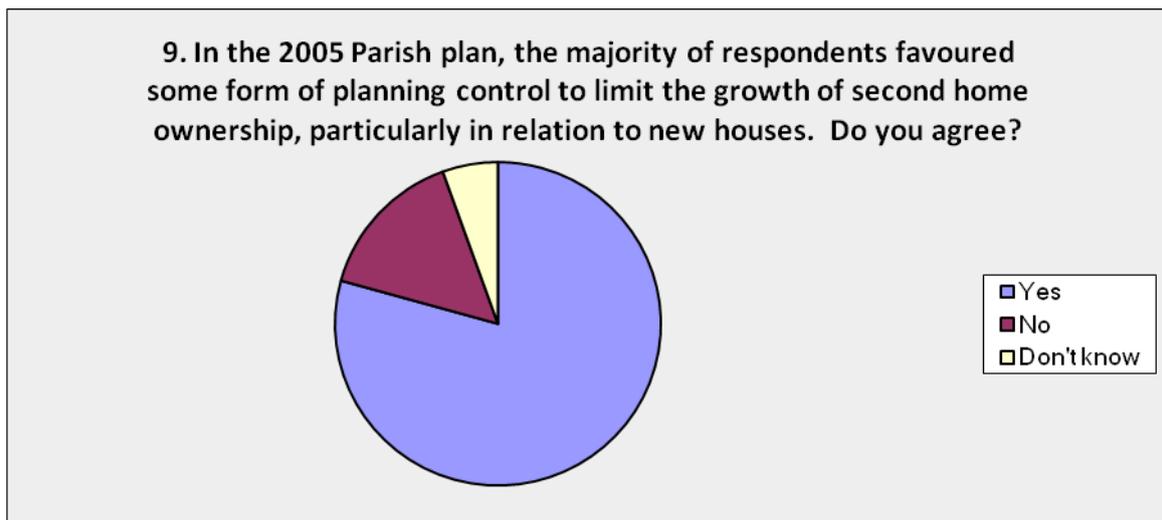
**Conclusion:**

The majority of respondents are full time residents of Fowey.

**N.B** Awaiting up to date figure on second home registration for council tax purposes from Cornwall Council.

**9. In the 2005 Parish plan, the majority of respondents favoured some form of planning control to limit the growth of second home ownership, particularly in relation to new houses. Do you agree?**

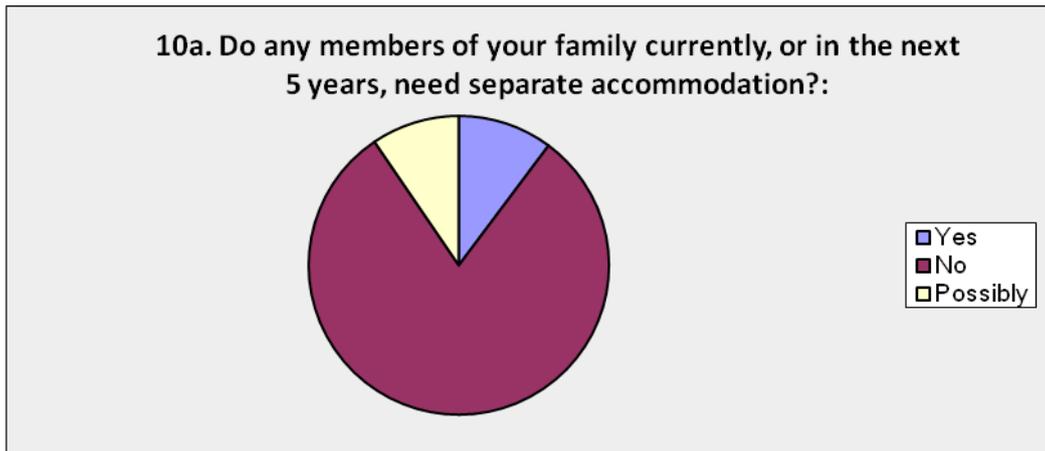
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	79.3%	261
No	15.2%	50
Don't know	5.5%	18
<b><i>answered question</i></b>		<b>329</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>		<b>146</b>



**Conclusion:**

Nearly 80% of respondents agreed with the option to limit the growth of second home ownership.

<b>10a. Do any members of your family currently, or in the next 5 years, need separate accommodation?:</b>		
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Yes	10.2%	33
No	80.3%	261
Possibly	9.5%	31
<b><i>answered question</i></b>		<b>325</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>		<b>150</b>



**Conclusion:**

While the majority of respondents did not consider a family member would require separate accommodation in the near future, it should be born in mind the high proportion of retired survey participants. It may not be feasible to accurately ascertain housing requirements from this question. Retired residents may have relocated to the area and/or have family appropriately housed elsewhere. Additional conversations may be beneficial focused on those with older teenage children and/or those employed within Fowey but living outside of the parish.

<b>10b. Could they afford to buy or rent on the open market in the Parish?:</b>		
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Yes	25.0%	19
No	75.0%	57
<b><i>answered question</i></b>		<b>76</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>		<b>399</b>



**Conclusion:**

Three quarters of those responding to this question considered family members would not be in a position to afford to buy or rent on the open market within Fowey Parish.

<b>10c. What type of property do they need?: (Answers from comments provided)</b>		
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Response Percent</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Affordable rent/buy	16.9	10
Starter home	10.2	6
Family	3.4	2
1/2 bedrooms	28.8	17
2/3 bedrooms	8.5	5
Flat	10.2	6
House	15.3	9
Social	1.7	1
Warden Assisted	5.1	3
<b><i>answered question</i></b>		<b>59</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>		<b>416</b>

**Additional comments:**

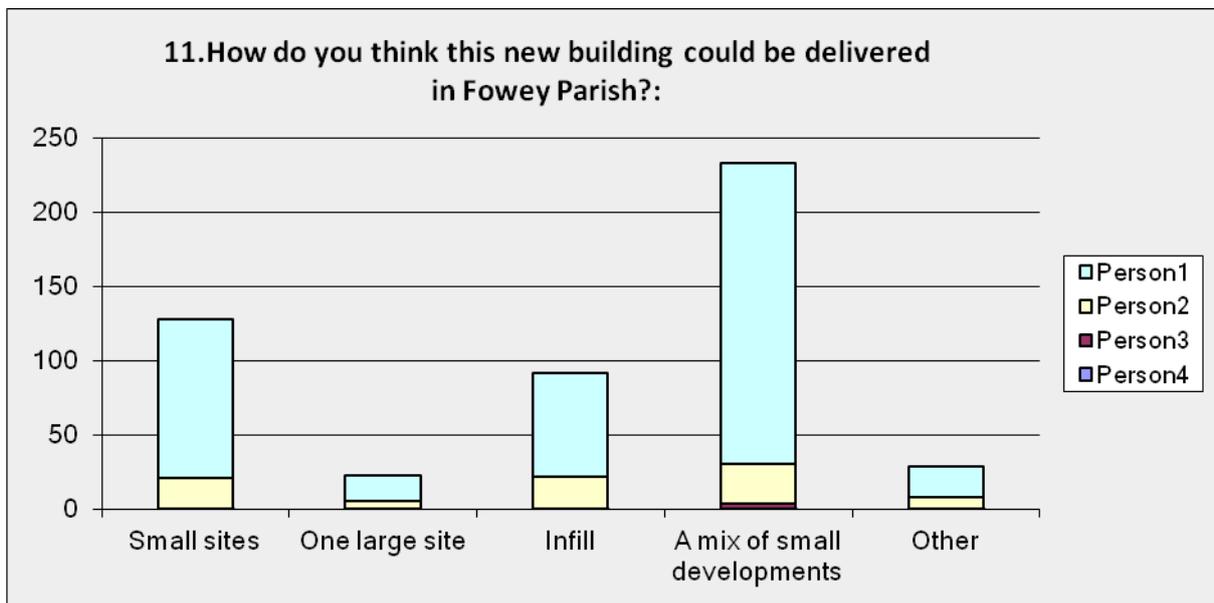
- Look at the people who have grown up in Fowey but could not afford to buy here, see where they've moved to e.g. Par, Bodmin and what type of properties they live in there
- I believe in limiting second homes but I also believe in building more affordable which are no available to existing home owners

**Conclusion:**

From the responses provided it is clear that smaller (2 bedrooms or fewer) and affordable are the most popular requirements for housing in the parish.

**11. How do you think this new building could be delivered in Fowey Parish?:**

Answer Options	Person1	Person2	Person3	Person4	Response Count
Small sites	107	20	0	1	128
One large site	17	6	0	0	23
Infill	70	21	1	0	92
A mix of small developments	203	27	2	2	234
Other	21	7	1	0	29
Other (please specify)					97
<b>answered question</b>					<b>381</b>
<b>skipped question</b>					<b>94</b>



**11. How do you think this new building could be delivered in Fowey Parish?: (additional responses)**

Answer Options	Person1	Person2	Person3	Person4	Response Count
Small sites	107	40	1	1	149
One large site	17	10	2	0	29
Infill	70	30	1	0	101
A mix of small developments	203	64	6	4	277
Other	22	9	1	1	33
Other (please specify)					97
<b>answered question</b>					<b>464</b>
<b>skipped question</b>					<b>11</b>

(Full comments can be found in the appendix.)

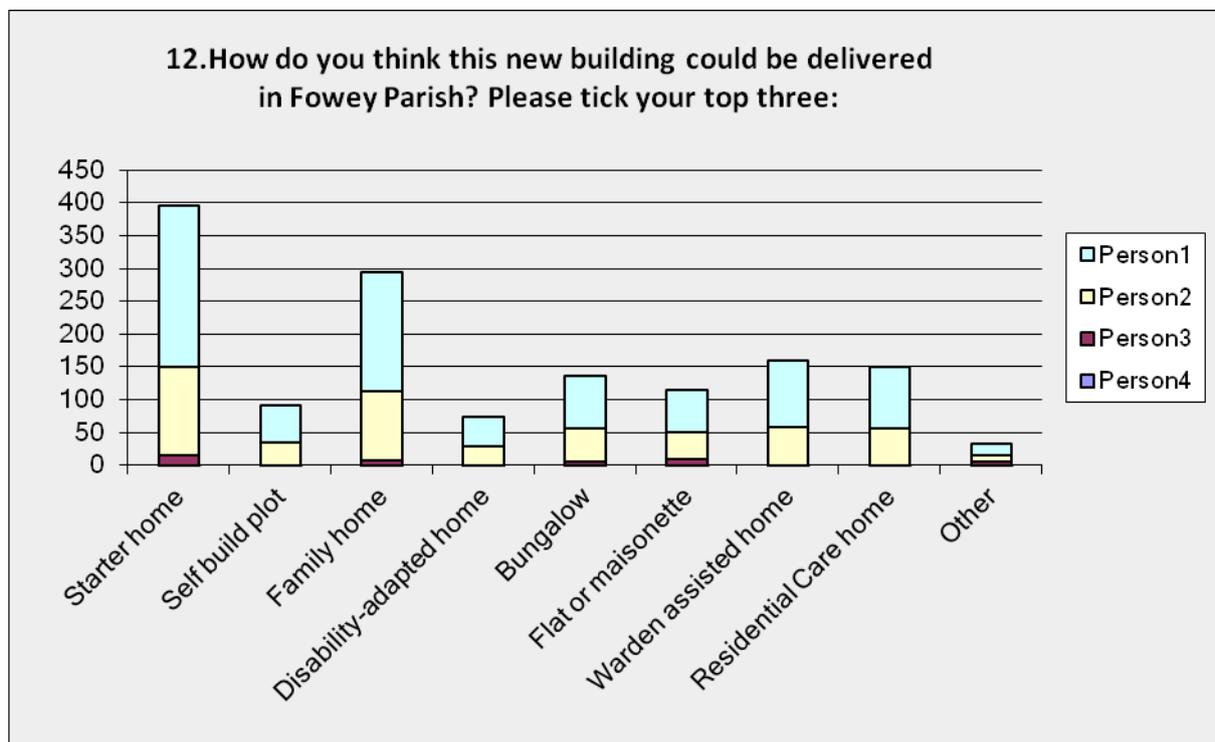
**Conclusion:**

Overall from additional comments provided a mix of small developments appears to be the most supported option to deliver extra housing in the parish.

**12. How do you think this new building could be delivered in Fowey Parish?**

Please tick your top three:

Answer Options	Person1	Person2	Person3	Person4	Response Count
Starter home	246	136	11	3	258
Self-build plot	57	33	1	0	67
Family home	182	106	5	1	193
Disability-adapted home	46	25	2	1	60
Bungalow	80	52	4	0	95
Flat or maisonette	65	40	7	2	81
Warden assisted home	102	55	2	0	116
Residential Care home	94	54	1	0	114
Other	17	11	2	2	22
Other (please specify)					29
<b>answered question</b>					<b>325</b>
<b>skipped question</b>					<b>150</b>



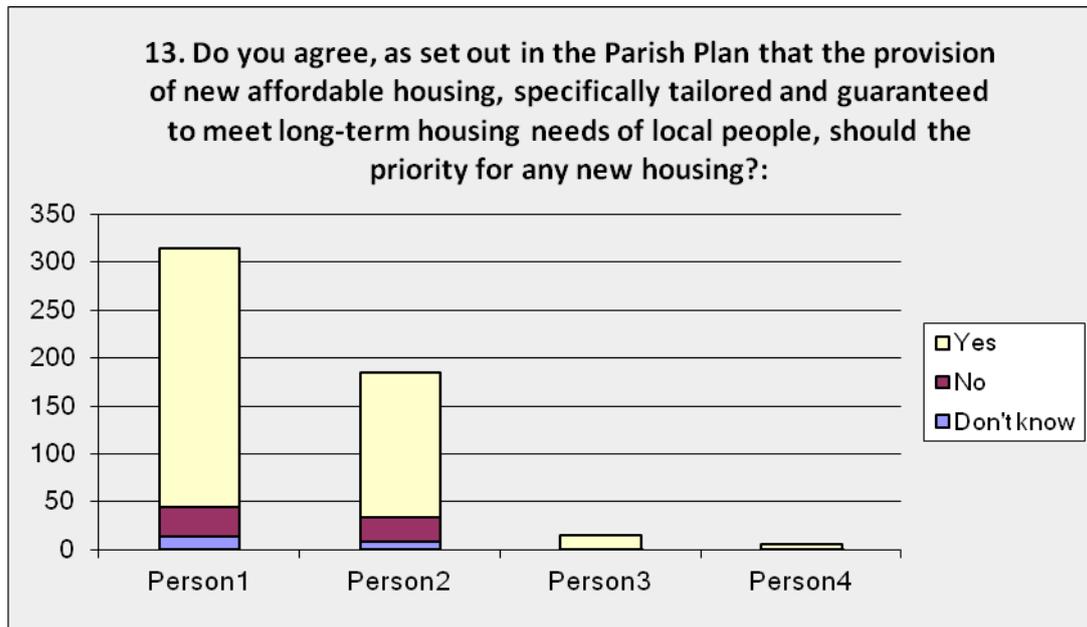
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**Conclusion:**

There is a strong preference for the provision of starter and family homes within any new developments.

**13. Do you agree, as set out in the Parish Plan that the provision of new affordable housing, specifically tailored and guaranteed to meet long-term housing needs of local people, should the priority for any new housing?:**

Answer Options	Yes	No	Don't know	Response Count
Person1	270	31	14	315
Person2	152	25	9	186
Person3	14	1	1	16
Person4	4	1	1	6
<b>answered question</b>				<b>320</b>
<b>skipped question</b>				<b>155</b>



**Conclusion:**

Responses to this question demonstrates strong support (84.1%) for prioritizing affordable housing to meet needs of local people.

**14. How important do you feel new housing development in Fowey Parish is for each of the following?: Please give a mark out of 5, with 1 being "Very important" and 5 being "Of little importance"**

**Person1**

Answer Options	1	2	3	4	5	Response Count
To help young people remain in the area	197	32	26	17	43	315
To support local businesses and services	117	70	56	21	31	295
To support community activities and clubs	65	50	72	40	60	287
To help older people remain in the area	107	62	54	30	47	300
To secure the future of the Primary and Secondary Schools	106	46	68	29	41	290
Other	10	3	1	1	3	18

<b>Person2</b>						
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
To help young people remain in the area	107	19	20	9	28	183
To support local businesses and services	72	42	25	14	24	177
To support community activities and clubs	38	31	37	27	39	172
To help older people remain in the area	55	52	22	14	33	176
To secure the future of the Primary and Secondary Schools	59	34	37	19	24	173
Other	4	3	1	0	3	11

<b>Person3</b>						
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
To help young people remain in the area	10	1	1	2	2	16
To support local businesses and services	3	6	3	1	3	16
To support community activities and clubs	0	4	4	5	2	15
To help older people remain in the area	2	5	2	3	3	15
To secure the future of the Primary and Secondary Schools	3	2	6	0	4	15
Other	1	0	0	0	0	1

<b>Person4</b>						
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
To help young people remain in the area	1	0	1	2	1	5
To support local businesses and services	2	2	0	0	1	5
To support community activities and clubs	0	1	2	0	2	5
To help older people remain in the area	1	2	0	0	2	5
To secure the future of the Primary and Secondary Schools	1	1	0	1	2	5
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0

		<b>Question Totals</b>
Other (please specify)		19
<i>answered question</i>		<b>324</b>
<i>skipped question</i>		<b>151</b>

**14. How important do you feel new housing development in Fowey Parish is for each of the following?: Please give a mark out of 5, with 1 being “Very important” and 5 being “Of little importance”**

**Total responses**

<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
To help young people remain in the area	315	52	48	30	74	519 <sup>1</sup>
To support local businesses and services	194	120	84	36	59	493 <sup>3</sup>
To support community activities and clubs	103	86	115	72	103	479 <sup>5</sup>
To help older people remain in the area	165	121	78	47	85	496 <sup>2</sup>
To secure the future of the Primary and Secondary Schools	169	83	111	49	71	483 <sup>4</sup>
Other	15	6	2	1	6	30

**Comments:**

- Sustainable building
- Roads in/out of Fowey not built for high volume traffic
- Sewage system struggles with present population in Fowey parish.
- Bring empty homes into use.
- Library, bus connection
- Doctors’ surgery is over-subscribed and needs to expand.
- Local businesses and services will ensure the support of community activities and clubs.
- Help older people – Hospital? Apparently under threat. Make exclusively for older residents like Windmill.
- Secure future of schools – This will happen if helping young people remain in the area is carried out.
- To help reduce traffic on the route to/from Fowey town, currently made busier by locals having to return regularly for work/family reasons.
- As previously stated I think there are enough buildings now in Fowey. The primary school is bursting, you cannot get an appointment at the doctors. The damage has already been done as far as first time buyers homes as more should have been allocated at the initial building of Wainhomes. Also realistic deposits needed to be applied.
- Housing for families working locally
- Employment of people in the building trades
- I feel there should be a choice with the schools, as not sure if the secondary school will be here in 10 years; therefore the 1 score is for primary.
- Control of second homes

**Conclusion:**

Housing to support young people to remain in the area was considered the most important statement, correlating to the preference to see the development of starter and family homes previously stated in Question 12.

Housing to support older people to remain in the area and to support businesses and employment were the next most important concerns.

**15. Do you have any concerns about the infrastructure (schools, public services, roads, sewers etc.) in Fowey Parish and its ability to cope with more new housing?**

**If so please explain:**

<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Sewerage	79
Roads	72
Health (GPs/Hospital/Social care/Dentists)	65
Education (Primary/Secondary)	44
Improvements essential for new developments	41
Parking	19
Public transport	12
Public services (General)	11
Water	9
Flooding	7
Employment/business	7
Shopping	7
Rubbish/recycling	5
Utilities/energy	4
Sports/leisure	4
Youth facilities	2
Cycle routes/footpaths	2
Other	4
<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>252</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>223</b>

(Full comments can be found in the appendix.)

**Conclusion:**

Of primary concern is the state of the current sewerage system and its ability to cope with any additional development. A number of comments made reference to incidence of the existing system struggling to cope during heavy rainfall and during peak tourist season.

The current road network and nature of existing roads were also considered to be at capacity. This covered not only the number of vehicles, the width and condition of roads to cope with traffic flow safely, but also the type of vehicles particularly increased delivery vehicles and lorries.

The existing health services are considered to be at capacity, with respondents commenting on current difficulty accessing appointments. To meet demands from additional development and to support the tourist population the existing infrastructure was not considered sufficient.

There was clear concern that the current education provision would not meet demand from increased housing provision.

There was a high response level for the need to make improvements to the overall infrastructure of the town before any further development takes place.

<b>16. Further comments on your views about Future Housing Needs in Fowey Parish:</b>	
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Affordable (buy/rent)	33
Full time residency/second homes/buy-to-let	32
Local	23
Maintain community	20
Green spaces	12
Older persons' accommodation	12
Social housing	10
Employment	10
Infrastructure provision	9
Wainhomes	9
Parking	9
Quality/sustainability	6
Sewerage/drains/flooding	6
<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>171</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>304</b>

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**Conclusion:**

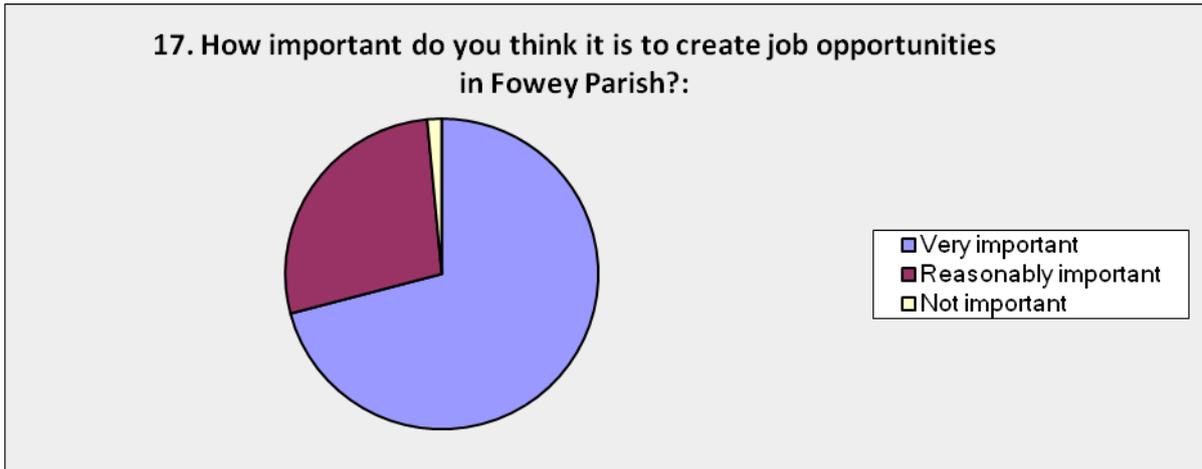
In addition to infrastructure concerns raised in Question 15, further comments were raised with regard to the need for genuinely affordable properties to enable local and young people to remain in the area. Comments referred to 'affordable homes' not being accessible to those on low wages.

In order to facilitate this and avoid properties remaining empty through the year, there were a high number of comments suggesting the need for restrictions on the purchase of second homes, holiday lets and buy-to-let. Several references were made to ensuring full time residency of new builds.

It was considered important that any new developments would maintain existing green spaces and avoid development encroaching on green field sites. This was linked with a strong desire to maintain the community feel and character of the town. There was concern that further developments should not negatively impact the unique atmosphere and quality of the area.

**17. How important do you think it is to create job opportunities in Fowey Parish?:**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Very important	70.9%	231
Reasonably important	27.6%	90
Not important	1.5%	5
<i>answered question</i>		<b>326</b>
<i>skipped question</i>		<b>149</b>



**Conclusion:**

The potential to create new job opportunities within Fowey is considered “very important” by the majority of respondents.

**18. What sort of jobs/industry should be supported?:**

Answer Options	Response Count
Harbour/marine related	93
Tourism/ hospitality	63
Arts/crafts related	35
Retail	27
Small, local, independent businesses	25
Hi Tech/IT	22
Fishing	19
Leisure	16
Farming/food	10
Youth/apprenticeships	10
Trades/construction	7
Knowledge-based/research	5
China Clay	5
Office space/business hub	4
Environmental	3
Other (single answers)	5

<i>answered question</i>	<b>253</b>
<i>skipped question</i>	<b>222</b>

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**Conclusion:**

There is a strong connection felt by residents to the harbour and marine related employment. This sector was considered the most important to maintain and encourage.

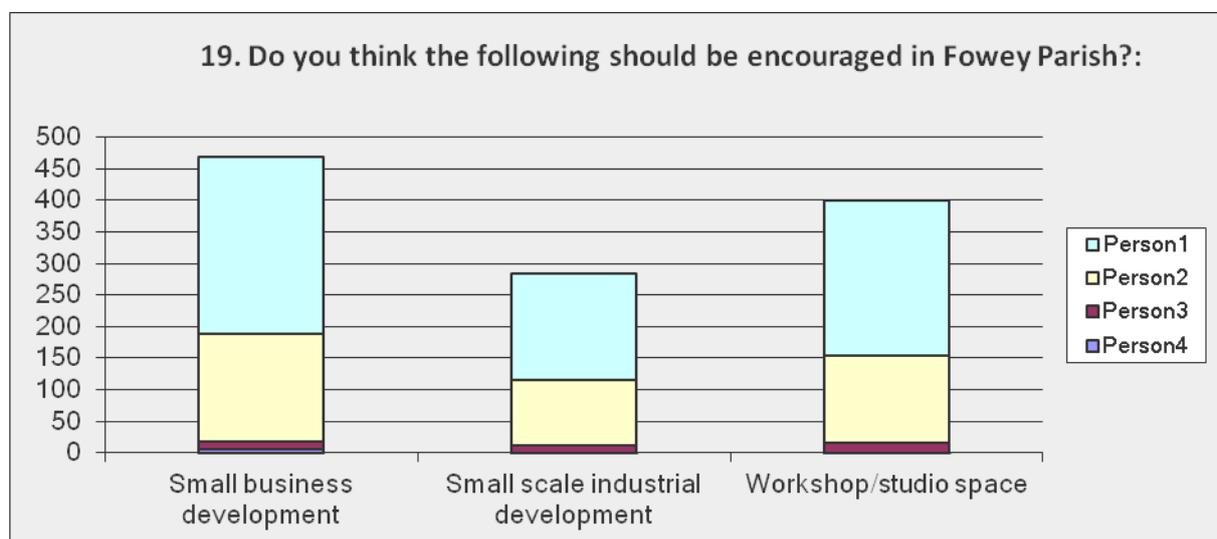
The town’s dependence on tourism and hospitality was rated as the second most important, with reference made to the quality of the visitor experience and services provided.

There was also interest in encouraging arts and crafts employment, including traditional crafts and artisan skills.

A significant proportion of comments highlighted the need to increase year-round, full time employment and higher salaried positions.

A high number of responses indicated a preference for light industry and marine related industry, however encouraging “small scale industrial development” (Question 19) was the least preferred option.

<b>19. Do you think the following should be encouraged in Fowey Parish?:</b>					
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Person1</b>	<b>Person2</b>	<b>Person3</b>	<b>Person4</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Small business development	280	171	13	6	287
Small scale industrial development	170	103	9	3	183
Workshop/studio space	246	138	11	5	253
<i>answered question</i>					<b>314</b>
<i>skipped question</i>					<b>161</b>



**Conclusion:**

Overall there was a preference for small business development and workshop/studio space. This correlates to the comments in Question 18, regarding interest in small, local, independent businesses and arts/crafts skills.

The disinclination for small scale industrial development does not correspond with Question 18 and interest in supporting light and marine-based industry. Further investigation may be required to identify local definitions of 'industry' and businesses which would be supported.

<b>20. Where could these jobs/industry be placed?:</b>	
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Windmill	42
Outskirts/out of town	39
Vacant buildings	29
Harbour/docks	27
Caffa Mill	22
Passage Lane	22
Brownfield	20
In town	18
Four Turnings	16
Existing Industrial areas	14
Penventinue	9
Lankelly/Lams Barn	8
Within housing developments	5
New industrial areas	5
Other	8
<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>219</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>256</b>

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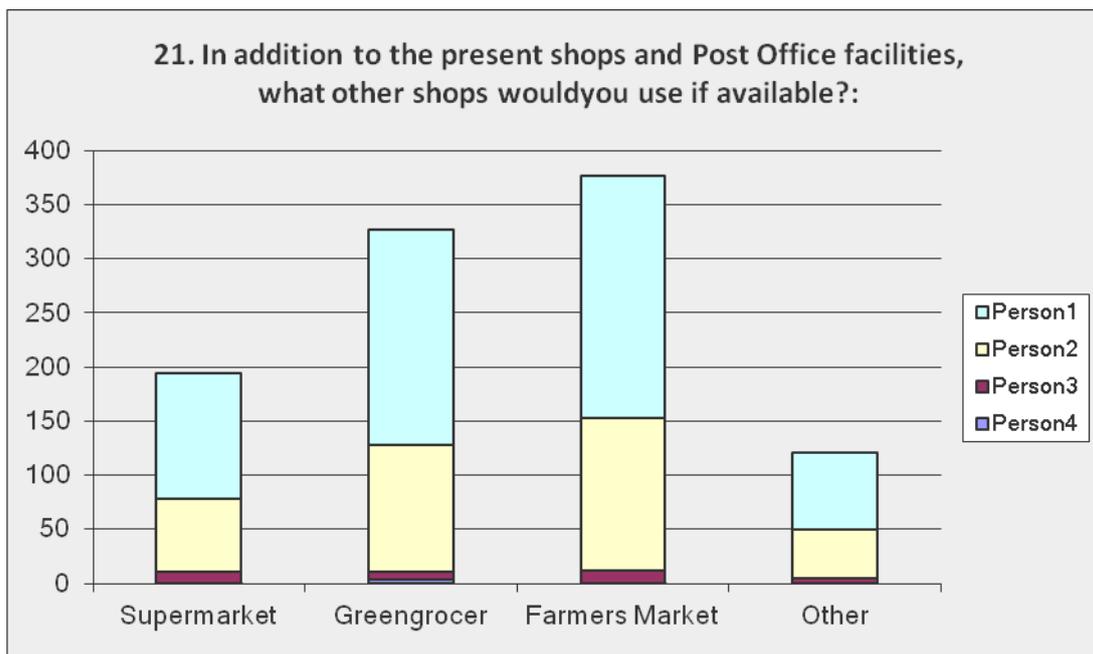
**Conclusion:**

The Windmill area of Fowey and outskirts of the town were the preferred locations for any additional jobs/industry. After these 2 options there was no clear consensus of opinion, but some preference for existing vacant buildings, docks area, Caffa Mill and Passage Lane.

Ensuring suitable road access to support businesses and customers was considered an important aspect.

**21. In addition to the present shops and Post Office facilities, what other shops would you use if available?:**

Answer Options	Person1	Person2	Person3	Person4	Response Count
Supermarket	116	68	8	2	128
Greengrocer	198	118	7	3	209
Farmers Market	223	141	10	2	238
Other	70	46	4	0	77
Other (please specify)					101
<b>answered question</b>					<b>302</b>
<b>skipped question</b>					<b>173</b>



**21. What other shops would you use if available?:  
(Answers from comments provided)**

Answer Options	Response Count
Fish monger	43
Hardware/ironmonger/chandlery	14
Fish and Chip shop	7
Mini supermarket	7
Bank/ATM	6
Clothing (for local residents)	6
Craft/art/haberdashery	5
Butcher	4
Florist	3
Pet Shop	3
Groceries/household supplies	2
Cobblers	2

Office supplies	2
Charity shop	2
Dry cleaners	2
Delicatessen	2
Other (single answers)	7
<b><i>answered question</i> 101</b>	

**Additional comments:**

- Shops need to be affordable.
- Any additional shops should be sited at the top of the hill to serve new, additional and existing houses here and be affordable to make them viable for local residents
- Price of goods important - no point if too expensive for people to use.
- No more clothes or gift shops please.
- In town
- Not likely we already have enough in nearby area
- Only viable in Fore Street area
- Preference not to see any large supermarket brands.
- John Lewis!
- Charity shop - support Fowey hospital/healthcare services locally.
- Ladies clothes for other than outdoor or young people.
- Must protect existing mix. Therefore not lose to more tourist shops.
- Proper post office.
- Stop Tesco deliveries to holiday lets!
- Summer courses for children, DIY shop, sushi restaurant or bar/place.
- Practical shops
- Decent clothes shops for older residents. We used to have several.
- We miss the fish shop.
- Never a Supermarket!!
- We have all these, if we was to open more then we would lose the ones we already have.
- I have ticked the greengrocer option, but previous attempts at making a living as a greengrocer in Fowey have not succeeded...
- Very sorry to see Fowey Fish and Wine depart - nowhere to walk to in town for fish.
- Any reasonable development that would preserve the Conservation area.
- Less trendy clothes and gift shops, and eateries, and more that would encourage locals all the year

**Conclusion:**

Responses indicate strong support for the introduction of a farmers' market and greengrocer. Support for a farmers' market was backed up with a number of comments suggesting potential locations, such as at the quay. There were also a number of comments referring to 'actively supporting' and 'supporting and using', suggesting an overall more positive reaction to the idea of a farmers' market over a greengrocer.

Reactions to the idea of a supermarket were markedly extreme, positive and negative. Based on comments, there is a strong sense that a large supermarket would be detrimental

to the character of the town. Amongst those in favour there was a higher incidence of young families and older households with mobility issues.

Comments demonstrated a strong desire for a fresh fish shop and willingness to support this. There was some support for a DIY/hardware style store.

There were a number of comments indicating a desire for shops to sell affordable items and items relevant to local residents, rather than a retail area existing to purely serve a tourist/visitor market.

<b>22. Where would you like any additional shops to be located?:</b>	
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Town Centre	89
Top of hill/town	34
Existing empty shops/banks	31
Outskirts of town	24
Fore Street	17
Four Turnings	16
Within existing Wainhomes development	12
Caffa Mill	11
Lankelly Lane	9
Area with car parking	8
Within existing town area/boundary	5
Incorporating into new development	5
Area easily accessible	3
Windmill	2
Other (single answers)	3
<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>264</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>211</b>

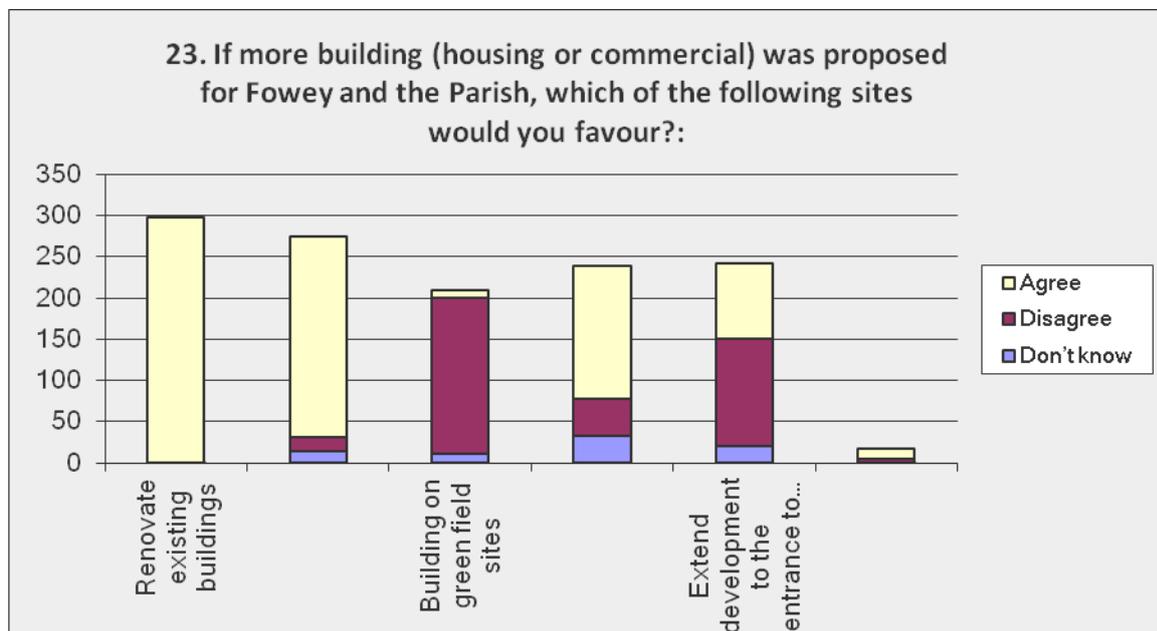
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**Conclusion:**

The overwhelming response was that any additional shops should be sited within the town centre, with the vibrancy encouraged and local businesses supported. There was an indication that there was a desire for shops to support residents, rather than purely aimed at tourist sector.

**23. If more building (housing or commercial) was proposed for Fowey and the Parish, which of the following sites would you favour?:**

Answer Options	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Response Count
Renovate existing buildings	295	1	1	297
Building on brown field sites	244	17	13	274
Building on green field sites	9	189	11	209
Infill sites	161	45	32	238
Extend development to the entrance to Fowey	92	131	19	242
Other	13	2	2	17
Other (please specify)				32
<b>answered question</b>				<b>321</b>
<b>skipped question</b>				<b>154</b>



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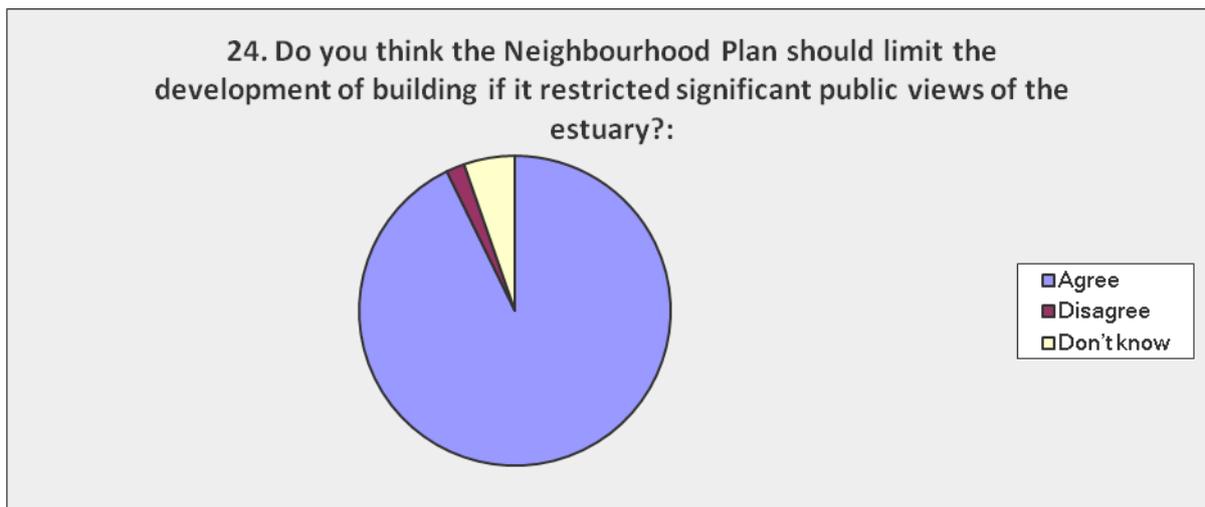
**Conclusion:**

Responses indicate a very strong preference for utilizing existing buildings and making use of brown field sites. There was a significant desire to avoid future development on green field sites.

The potential to extend development to the entrance of Fowey was divided, but with a slight preference to avoid this.

**24. Do you think the Neighbourhood Plan should limit the development of building if it restricted significant public views of the estuary?:**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Agree	92.8%	295
Disagree	1.9%	6
Don't know	5.3%	17
<b>answered question</b>		<b>318</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>157</b>



**Conclusion:**

Responses demonstrate overwhelming support to limit development which impacts on views in the town. There is a strong local connection between residents and the local landscape – please see Question 31.

**25. What do you like most about living in Fowey Parish?:**

Answer Options	Response Count
Sense of community	145
Quality of landscape	130
Friendliness	47
Walks/Coastal Path	43
Character/history	39
Local activities/facilities	38
Peace and quiet	36
Shops and restaurants	28
River	27
Harbour	23
Quality of life	15
Safety	15
Beaches	15

Size of town	14
Fresh air	8
Town bus	7
<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>303</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>172</b>

(Full comments can be found in the appendix.)

**Conclusion:**

There is clearly a strong sense of community spirit that is greatly valued by local residents. Respondents valued their quality of life and the character of the town. There are concerns that inappropriate development could affect a unique place.

Respondents also valued aspects relating to the local environment, particularly the landscape and proximity to river, harbour and coast.

Comments identified the area as a safe environment for children with a good range of activities and facilities easily accessible to all.

This question generated more comments (303) than any other in the survey, along with a greater level of commonality amongst content/opinion.

<b>26. What do you like least about living in Fowey Parish?:</b>	
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Parking	47
Traffic	46
Second homes	43
Shops	32
Inappropriate development	19
Overdevelopment	18
Community spirit	18
Litter/dog fouling	18
Public transport	14
Tourism	15
Location/distance	9
House prices	9
Roads	8
Business rates/support	6
Loss of local services	5
Employment opportunities	4
Disrepair within town	4
<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>287</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>188</b>

(Full comments can be found in the appendix.)

**Conclusion:**

Concerns were raised on a number of parking issues, including access to visitor, residential and disabled parking, cost of parking and inappropriate parking on residential roads.

Traffic flow/management through the town, particularly during the summer was cited as a problem.

The level of second home ownership within the town was considered a significant negative and was closely connected with some respondents with a loss of community spirit. Negative comments were recorded with regard to the idea of ‘change’ within then town.

Particularly with reference to recent developments, there is a significant level of concern about over development and inappropriate developments within the town. This extends not only to large developers, but to individual property changes. Comments suggested a concern that uncontrolled development would significantly alter the overall character and atmosphere of the town, to the detriment of residents, business and visitors.

There was a feeling that current shopping provision within the town was not sufficient to serve the needs of the resident population. Frequent mention was made to levels of litter, rubbish collection and dog fouling in the town.

<b>27. How would you sum up what the character of Fowey means to you? What would you miss the most if it were to disappear?:</b>	
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Community	60
Landscape	43
Friendly	30
Beautiful	29
Amenities	28
History	26
Character	23
River Views	22
Traditional	22
Small	17
Independent	14
Peaceful/relaxing	14
‘Home’	13
Harbour	10
Cornish	7
Fragmented	7
<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>277</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>198</b>

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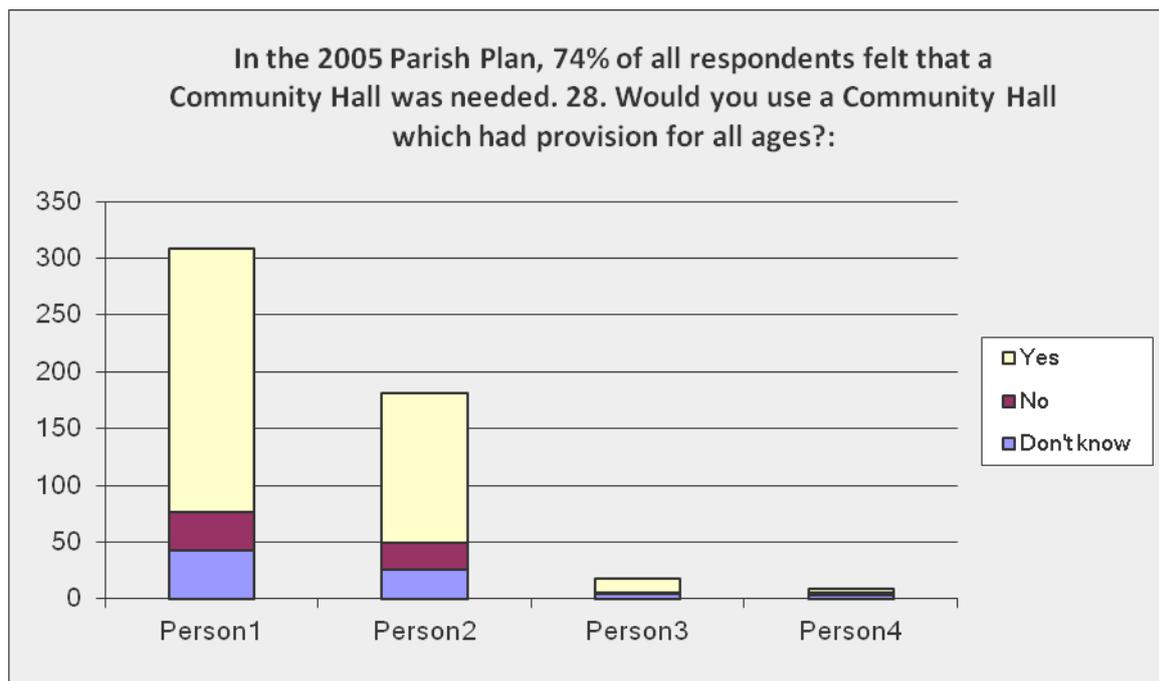
**Conclusion:**

Comments have represented Fowey as a small, historic town, with a unique character. The surrounding landscape is valued highly as contributing to the quality of life. The friendliness and community spirit of the town contributes significantly to the character of the town and is a quality which would be greatly missed. There are concerns that developments over recent years are causing a degree of fragmentation within the community.

In the 2005 Parish Plan, 74% of all respondents felt that a Community Hall was needed.

**28. Would you use a Community Hall which had provision for all ages?:**

Answer Options	Yes	No	Don't know	Response Count
Person1	231	34	43	308
Person2	131	24	26	181
Person3	12	2	4	18
Person4	3	3	3	9
<i>answered question</i>				<b>316</b>
<i>skipped question</i>				<b>159</b>

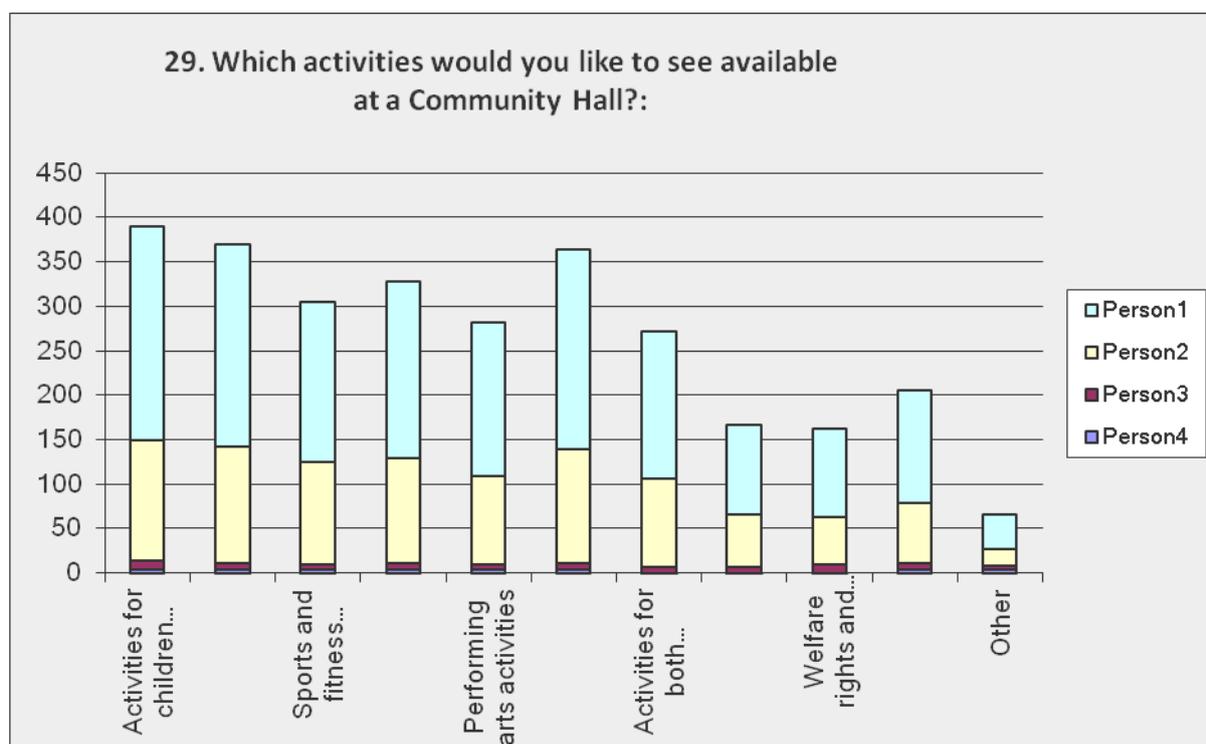


**Conclusion:**

In line with the 2005 Parish Plan, 73% of respondents felt they use a Community Hall in Fowey.

**29. Which activities would you like to see available at a Community Hall?:**

Answer Options	Person1	Person2	Person3	Person4	Response Count
Activities for children and young people	241	135	11	3	253 <sup>1</sup>
Adult education classes	228	131	8	3	242 <sup>2</sup>
Sports and fitness classes	179	116	6	3	201 <sup>5</sup>
Arts and crafts classes	198	119	7	3	217 <sup>4</sup>
Performing arts activities	173	100	6	3	184 <sup>6</sup>
Activities for older people	225	129	7	3	235 <sup>3</sup>
Activities for both parents and pre-school children	167	98	5	2	181 <sup>7</sup>
Crèche to enable you to attend activities	101	59	4	2	112 <sup>9</sup>
Welfare rights and debt advice	99	54	7	2	108 <sup>10</sup>
Helping people into work	126	68	7	4	136 <sup>8</sup>
Other	39	18	5	3	42 <sup>12</sup>
Other (please specify)					51 <sup>11</sup>
<b>answered question</b>					<b>303</b>
<b>skipped question</b>					<b>172</b>



**Other:**

- Youth Club/activities for teenagers
- Cinema/film
- Farmers' market venue
- Event/private hire (parties etc.)
- Coffee shop
- Craft fairs
- Gardening club

Bridge  
MP surgery  
Police  
Jumble sales/auctions  
Dance  
Music venue  
Bicycle repair

**Additional comments:**

- Make more use of the school
- I'm not sure it would be utilised properly.
- The last two could be in the library (Welfare rights and debt advice and helping people into work.
- Should not compete with existing facilities i.e. library, sports centre and playgroup.
- Let's hope the old bowling club will become a community centre for the community - as it could provide an opportunity for many ventures. That's a waiting game.
- Things should not be put on here to the detriment of the Library and Town Hall.  
Other: dances - ceilidh, folk, barn for all ages.
- Any of these if such a hall is really needed - not by me but families presumably.
- Do not agree with "doubling up" the facilities the library provides
- Sports & fitness, Activities for parents and pre-school, Crèche: Already provision at Leisure Centre
- Organisations such as Rainbows, Brownies and Guides
- Festival venue, place for parties
- All good things - but use the library or adapt their building - otherwise too many unused buildings - church hall, church, town hall, library
- All currently available in parish + use of library must be supported.
- How will the library fit in or survive?
- Film Club. The church and pre-school provide a lot of activities for children and young people, also the library. Library already provides welfare rights and debt advice.
- The existing school, fitness centre, library, town hall, church. Provide all this a community hall would fail and devalue the above.
- Some of the above already operate from the library. We would not like to see activities moved away to the detriment of the library. There is space to improve the current building.
- Library as I suspect we may lose ours
- We have a leisure centre, a one stop shop, a CAB and a job centre in St Austell. A community hall could not replicate their expertise, info available or range of skills.
- Extend and utilise the school facilities and make them accessible to the community.

**Conclusion:**

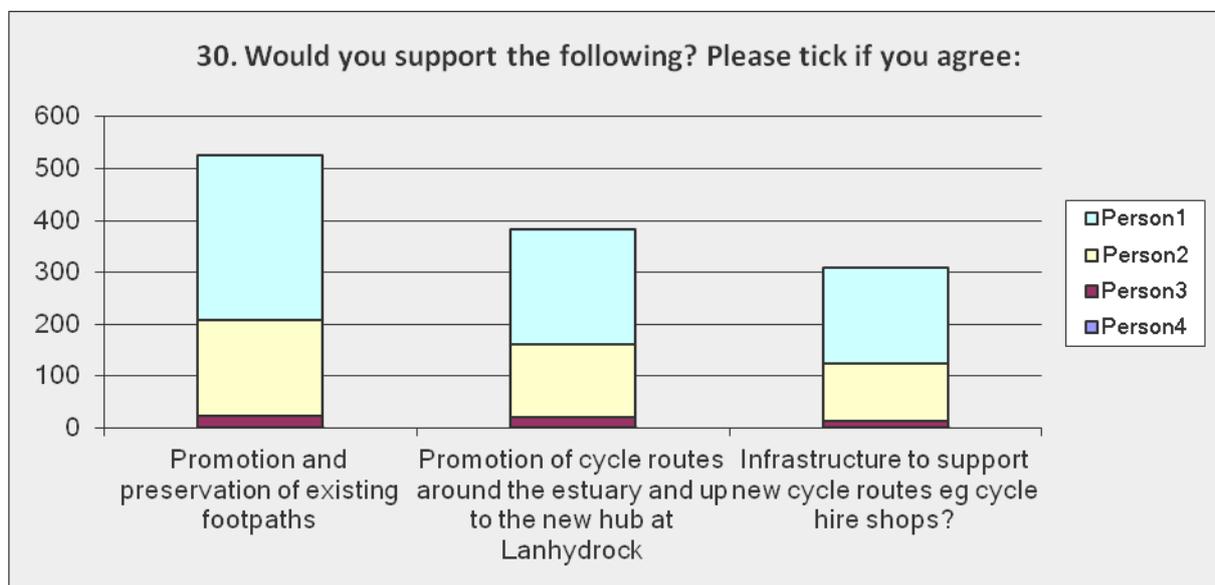
Responses indicated a preference for activities for young people, adult education and activities for older people.

Comments suggested a strong level of concern about these activities already being available within the town and potential for duplication/competition. This was of particular concern in relation to the library. There were a number of suggestions of extending access to the school to provide community activities.

**N.B** The demographics of survey respondents should be taken into consideration when reviewing comments and preferences.

There are no responses from residents under 16 in relation to the provision of activities for young people.

30. Would you support the following? Please tick if you agree:					
Answer Options	Person1	Person2	Person3	Person4	Response Count
Promotion and preservation of existing footpaths	316	186	17	6	319
Promotion of cycle routes around the estuary and up to the new hub at Lanhydrock	222	141	14	6	234
Infrastructure to support new cycle routes e.g. cycle hire shops?	184	110	10	4	191
<b>answered question</b>					<b>321</b>
<b>skipped question</b>					<b>154</b>



**Conclusion:**

Overall, respondents were in support of promoting and preserving existing footpaths. Respondents were broadly in support of promoting cycle paths around the estuary. Support for the promotion of new cycle routes was less clear. Some respondents queried the option of new footpaths.

**31. Which aspects of Fowey Parish do you value?  
Please number your top three, (with 1being Highest).**

**Person1**

<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
River Fowey	177	39	35	251
The coastline	89	86	44	219
Town views across the estuary	79	58	55	192
Natural habitats	31	25	26	82
Trees	19	12	16	47
The farmed landscape	27	17	26	70
Footpaths	41	19	43	103
Dark skies at night	25	10	13	48
Cornish hedges	20	5	6	31
Other	6	2	0	8

**Person2**

<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
River Fowey	100	20	26	146
The coastline	52	51	31	134
Town views across the estuary	44	35	37	116
Natural habitats	16	15	12	43
Trees	11	8	10	29
The farmed landscape	11	12	11	34
Footpaths	19	10	23	52
Dark skies at night	13	6	9	28
Cornish hedges	11	1	4	16
Other	3	0	0	3

**Person3**

<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
River Fowey	7	1	1	9
The coastline	1	5	2	8
Town views across the estuary	4	1	2	7
Natural habitats	0	0	0	0
Trees	0	0	2	2
The farmed landscape	0	0	1	1
Footpaths	1	0	1	2
Dark skies at night	0	1	1	2
Cornish hedges	0	0	0	0
Other	1	0	0	1

**Person4**

Answer Options	1	2	3	Response Count
River Fowey	2	0	0	2
The coastline	1	0	0	1
Town views across the estuary	1	1	0	2
Natural habitats	0	0	1	1
Trees	0	0	0	0
The farmed landscape	0	0	0	0
Footpaths	1	0	0	1
Dark skies at night	0	0	0	0
Cornish hedges	0	0	0	0
Other	1	0	0	1

	Question Totals
Other (please specify)	35
<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>312</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>163</b>

**31. Which aspects of Fowey Parish do you value?  
Please number your top three, (with 1 being Highest).**

**Total responses**

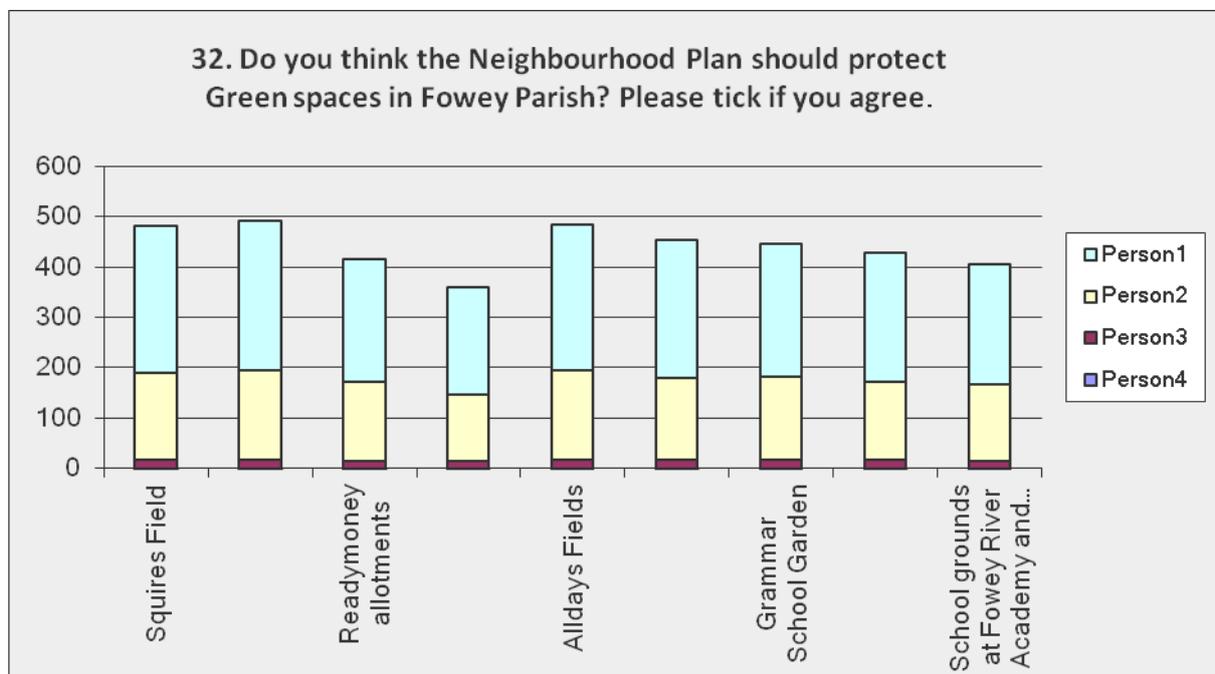
Answer Options	1	2	3	Response Count
River Fowey	286	60	62	408
The coastline	143	142	77	362
Town views across the estuary	128	95	94	317
Natural habitats	47	40	39	126
Trees	30	20	28	78
The farmed landscape	38	29	38	105
Footpaths	62	29	67	158
Dark skies at night	38	17	23	78
Cornish hedges	31	6	10	47
Other	11	2	0	13

**Conclusion:**

Respondents clearly indicated they valued the river, coastline and town views across the estuary. This links strongly with other questions where respondents have commented on the importance of the landscape and local environment for their quality of life and appreciation of their community.

**32. Do you think the Neighbourhood Plan should protect Green spaces in Fowey Parish?  
Please tick if you agree.**

Answer Options	Person1	Person2	Person3	Person4	Response Count
Squires Field	293	172	14	3	299
St Catherine's Parade	298	175	14	4	305
Readymoney allotments	243	157	12	3	252
Lostwithiel Street Gardens	213	132	10	3	221
Alldays Fields	289	178	14	3	299
Covington Woods	274	164	13	3	281
Grammar School Garden	263	164	14	4	270
Station Woods	256	154	14	4	267
School grounds at Fowey River Academy and Fowey Primary School	239	152	12	3	250
<b>answered question</b>					<b>324</b>
<b>skipped question</b>					<b>151</b>



### Conclusion:

While some preference for protecting Squires Field, St Catherine's Parade and Alldays Fields can be seen in the data, overall respondents expressed a positive preference for protecting the identified green spaces within Fowey Parish.

**33. Would you support any of the following? Please answer YES or NO in the boxes below.**

**Person1**

Answer Options	Yes	No	Response Count
More large wind turbines (over 40m high) in Fowey Parish.	34	229	263
More small wind turbines (under 40m high) in Fowey Parish.	108	175	283
More solar farms in Fowey Parish.	90	174	264
Solar panels on roofs of domestic buildings in Fowey Parish.	217	78	295
Solar farms, ground mounted on brown field sites.	150	124	274
Other.	33	4	37

Person2			
Answer Options	Yes	No	Response Count
More large wind turbines (over 40m high) in Fowey Parish.	21	145	166
More small wind turbines (under 40m high) in Fowey Parish.	61	108	169
More solar farms in Fowey Parish.	49	114	163
Solar panels on roofs of domestic buildings in Fowey Parish.	124	54	178
Solar farms, ground mounted on brown field sites.	90	83	173
Other.	16	5	21

Person3			
Answer Options	Yes	No	Response Count
More large wind turbines (over 40m high) in Fowey Parish.	2	11	13
More small wind turbines (under 40m high) in Fowey Parish.	7	8	15
More solar farms in Fowey Parish.	6	7	13
Solar panels on roofs of domestic buildings in Fowey Parish.	16	0	16
Solar farms, ground mounted on brown field sites.	9	4	13
Other.	0	0	0

Person4			
Answer Options	Yes	No	Response Count
More large wind turbines (over 40m high) in Fowey Parish.	2	2	4
More small wind turbines (under 40m high) in Fowey Parish.	2	2	4
More solar farms in Fowey Parish.	2	2	4
Solar panels on roofs of domestic buildings in Fowey Parish.	4	0	4
Solar farms, ground mounted on brown field sites.	3	2	5
Other.	0	0	0

			Question Totals
Other (please specify)			51
<b>answered question</b>			<b>318</b>
<b>skipped question</b>			<b>157</b>

**33. Would you support any of the following? Please answer YES or NO in the boxes below.**

## Total responses

Answer Options	Yes	No	Response Count
More large wind turbines (over 40m high) in Fowey Parish.	59	387	446
More small wind turbines (under 40m high) in Fowey Parish.	178	293	471
More solar farms in Fowey Parish.	147	297	444
Solar panels on roofs of domestic buildings in Fowey Parish.	361	132	493
Solar farms, ground mounted on brown field sites.	252	213	465
Other. (See below)	49	9	58

## Answer Options

More large wind turbines (over 40m high) in Fowey Parish.	No	86.8%
More small wind turbines (under 40m high) in Fowey Parish.	No	62.2%
More solar farms in Fowey Parish.	No	66.9%
Solar panels on roofs of domestic buildings in Fowey Parish.	Yes	73.2%
Solar farms, ground mounted on brown field sites.	Yes	54.2%

## Other:

Wave power	7
Solar Panels on Public, Commercial, Industrial, Farm buildings	7
Tidal power	5
Nuclear	3
Domestic insulation	3
Solar included on all new builds	3
Offshore wind	3
Heat Pumps	2
Hydro	2
'Fracking'	1
Anaerobic Digestion	1
Waste to Energy	1
Charging points for electric vehicles	1

## Additional comments:

- We don't want these menstuates
- Increase recycling ability
- We have a listed building and were refused permission. Authorities need to decide whether to save the world or listed buildings!! Muddled thinking, if they don't save the world no one will live in listed buildings.
- Solar on domestic buildings - ok if not visible to others
- Yes to all forms of renewable energy, however hydro probably best.
- Away from town
- We do need new sources for energy
- Should use the coastline to create energy, not the land!
- Electricity from sewage gas as in Barking Creek.

- The no's are vehement!
- No solar panels in the Conservation area' acceptable elsewhere and should be mandatory (with heat pumps) on new builds
- Having spent the last 3 years of my life fighting against wind turbines, there is no way I would support them in any form.
- Solar farms and turbines have their place, their place is not in Fowey Parish.
- Anaerobic Digesters should be installed at every Farm for Gas generation/ local power supply. Common Combined Heat & Power distribution should be installed in any new "Wainhomes" size housing developments. All new commercial roofs should have either Solar PV or Solar Thermal, depending on their hot water needs.

**Conclusion:**

Survey respondents are opposed to large scale renewable developments, particularly large turbine installations.

There is a positive response to the installation of solar panels on domestic properties within Fowey.

Respondents were broadly split on development of solar farms on brown field sites, with a slight positive inclination.

Under "other", respondents suggested that further exploration of the potential of wave, tidal and hydro would be an interesting option for the area.

<b>34. If you oppose more wind turbines, please set out your reasons for this?:</b>	
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Visual/landscape impact	137
Efficiency	67
Return on investment/cost/financial viability	45
Noise	33
Environmental damage (inc. wildlife)	19
AONB	17
Appearance/scale	15
Too many already	13
Tourism impact	10
Distraction/flicker	3
Impact on health	2
Impact on property values	2
<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>232</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>243</b>

(Full comments can be found in the appendix.)

**Conclusion:**

While respondents questioned the efficiency and financial viability of wind turbines, there was significant negative response to the visual impact on the local landscape.

**N.B** Many respondent comments demonstrated limited knowledge and understanding of the technology, its efficiency and environmental impact.

<b>35. If you oppose more solar farms, please set out your reasons for this?:</b>	
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Visual/landscape impact	101
Use of farmland	41
Return on investment/cost/financial viability	15
Already too many	9
AONB	8
Efficiency	8
Environmental damage	7
Tourism impact	5
Reflection/glare	2
Not suited to Fowey area	1
<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>193</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>282</b>

(Full comments can be found in the appendix.)

**Conclusion:**

As in Question 34, respondents felt the impact of solar farms represented a negative visual impact on the local landscape. It was also felt that viable agricultural land should not be taken out of cultivation.

**N.B** Similar to Question 34 but slightly less significantly, respondents demonstrated limited knowledge of this technology.

<b>36. If you support more wind turbines, do you think there should be any restrictions on where they could be located?:</b>	
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Yes (No specific comments)	62
Minimise visual/landscape impact	28
Away from residential areas	19
Away from AONB	9
No	8
Size/scale	4
Quantity in one area	4
In-line with planning guidelines	3

Local support/consent	2
<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>177</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>298</b>

(Full comments can be found in the appendix.)

**Conclusion:**

Most respondents indicated that there should be planning restrictions placed on the siting of wind turbines, but did not state specific details. Other comments referred to minimising visual impact and positioning away from residential developments to minimise disruption, impact and noise.

<b>37. If you support more solar farms, do you think there should be any restrictions on where they could be located?:</b>	
<b>Answer Options</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
Yes (No specific comments)	33
Minimise visual/landscape impact	33
Brown field sites only	13
Away from Fowey	10
Roof mounted only	7
No	6
Not on farmland	6
Away from AONB	6
Required on new developments	3
Size/scale	3
Not on green field sites	3
Away from residential areas	3
In-line with planning guidelines	2
Other (single answers)	4
<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>157</b>
<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>318</b>

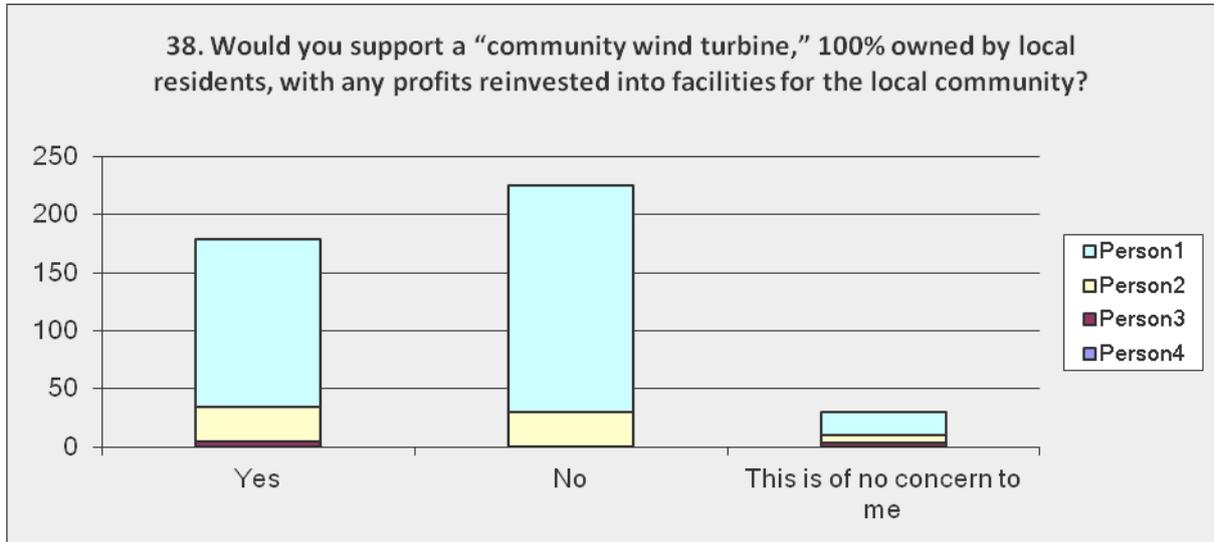
(Full comments can be found in the appendix.)

**Conclusion:**

As in Question 36, respondents supported planning restrictions on solar farm developments, but did not indicate specific details. It was also considered important to minimise visual impact on the landscape, restrict developments to brown field sites and position away from Fowey town.

**38. Would you support a “community wind turbine,” 100% owned by local residents, with any profits reinvested into facilities for the local community?**

Answer Options	Person1	Person2	Person3	Person4	Response Count
Yes	144	30	4	1	179
No	196	30	0	0	226
This is of no concern to me	20	7	4	0	31
<b>answered question</b>					<b>399</b>
<b>skipped question</b>					<b>76</b>



**Conclusion:**

Respondents indicated that overall they are not supportive of a community wind turbine. However, the level of positive responses to this question, particularly when considered in relation to overall opposition to wind turbines in Questions 33 and 34 makes the outcome less clear.

**39. Further comments on your views about Renewable Energy in Fowey Parish:**

Answer Options	Response Count
Wave/tidal/hydro	22
Renewables included on new builds	7
Domestic solar	4
<b>answered question</b>	<b>140</b>
<b>skipped question</b>	<b>335</b>

(Full comments can be found in the appendix.)

**Conclusion:**

The opinion of respondents is very clearly divided. Many respondents are strongly opposed to renewables and unlikely to change their opinion through development of a community-owned project.

There are a number of comments from those broadly in favour of a community project, but with fewer consensuses on the nature of the project.

Additional comments referred to the potential to further explore wave/tidal energy.

One respondent's comment appears to largely sum up the variety of positive and negative statements: "The major hurdle would be achieving consensus which is highly unlikely."

**40. If there are things which concern you about the future of Fowey parish which have not been mentioned in this Questionnaire, please use this space here to give your views:**

Answer Options	Response Count
	135
<i>answered question</i>	<b>135</b>
<i>skipped question</i>	<b>340</b>

(Full comments can be found in the appendix.)

**Conclusion:**

Comments very varied and relate to a number of issues not within the remit of the Neighbourhood Plan. Common themes emerging did include, parking and traffic flow, second home management, reliance on tourism, managing further development of the town and maintaining the town's character.

# Appendix 1

## 11. How do you think this new building could be delivered in Fowey Parish?:

### Comments:

- Not necessary if no 2nd homes.
- Limits on second homes.
- I believe the solution is massive taxation on 2nd home owners, lowering property prices, and allowing Fowey to be the thriving town that it was only a couple of decades ago.
  
- Develop/use houses/property standing empty.
- Convert existing to create more accommodation units.
- Good quality conversion of existing large properties, especially those only currently affordable as second homes
- Conversion of existing empty properties into mixed use as they become available e.g., Lloyds Bank Building and requiring Developers to include affordable / shared ownership for locals as part of any development e.g., at Station Masters House.
- Conversion of any suitable building to another use with regard to its setting.
  
- Extension of Wainhomes development (phase 3).
- Continue to expand the Wain Homes development.
- Existing development at Hill Hay currently being enlarged.
- The extension of the wainhomes development creates a "them and us" style of community
- On the perimeter Haywill Estate, outside of central Fowey.
- On the outskirts
  
- No further building in Fowey Parish, except starter homes.
- With all recent building, I would have thought that Fowey has already fulfilled its requirement - at least for 3/4 bedroom 'executive' houses
- No further housing development without finer planning and providing the increased infrastructure which will be required by the increased population e.g. sewerage treatment, school places, medical facilities, parking etc.
- I love Fowey as it is.
- I don't think any further development is required.
- School buildings footprint.
- The very highest spec for eco builds on all builds - look to Germany for examples - not the v.expensive options
- Infill developments of bungalows suitable for older people should be encouraged. Developments that lead to the loss of existing well used community facilities should not be supported unless by relocation alternative facilities providing equal or improved level of service has FIRST been made available.
- Person 2: Odd houses where proved needed
- Person 2: Use brown field sites only
- Affordable
- Self-build plots
- A terrace of mixed houses/flats at the top of central car park, separated off from car park and accessed through Windmill.
- To include some social rental flats for low\_waged single people/couples.
- Possibility of having some units for elderly tenants to free up larger social rented properties elsewhere in the town
- Visually similar to the successful smaller development in Readymoney car park
- Could be built in phases.
- Central car park is seldom full even at peak times. There is due to be a new park and ride car park at the new Wain Homes development

- Any future development in the town should be small development of around 5 houses with emphasis on blending into the character of the town - not the pop up houses that Wainhomes are creating and turning Fowey into an urban sprawl
- Person 1: Other - Move to St. Austell.
- NO flats! They are not really a home.

## 12. How do you think this new building could be delivered in Fowey Parish?

### Comments:

- Additional development like Briarfield for over 55's to free up larger homes in Fowey.
- Bungalows for over 50s.
- Over 55 small developments and little gardens.
- Downsize to retirement home e.g. Briarfield
- Older people would need to be enticed out of their usually spacious homes, possibly with views, so small warden assisted homes is not the answer
- Would want to see a balance of some of the above - I don't have enough information to know if there is adequate provision for the Elderly or Disabled.
- Warden home may free up some houses.
- Possibility of having some units for elderly tenants to free up larger social rented properties elsewhere in the town
  
- Social housing to rent.
- Council housing.
- Council houses to rent
- Affordable to rent. No more Wainhomes!
- Homes for cheaper rent
- Rental Property
- To include some social rental flats for low-waged single people/couples.
  
- A mix.
- If much more building, medical facilities.
- Cheaper homes
- A mix of all these large enough to extend for growing family as well as extended families.
- For local people preferably those born here or have lived here 20 years +
- Depends on individual needs at the time
- Stylish
- Not needed. Maybe wanted.
- Combination of family and starter. Current Wain home provide too many 'same spec' houses even when considerable money is spent.
- (All of above - excluding starter home) - "Generally, according to demand"
- Mixture
- A terrace of mixed houses/flats at the top of central car park, fenced off from car park and accessed through Windmill.
- Visually similar to the successful smaller development in Readymoney car park
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## 15. Do you have any concerns about the infrastructure (schools, public services, roads, sewers etc.) in Fowey Parish and its ability to cope with more new housing?

### If so please explain:

### Comments:

- Health service and Doctor's surgery - new medical centre in needed combining Fowey Hospital with Doctor's Surgery.

- I am concerned about the 'depopulation' of Fowey with so much of the housing stock being used as second homes or holiday homes. Resulting increased house prices forcing out and putting house prices beyond young families and local employees.
- Yes, extra provision at the GP surgery. Haven't the Fowey hospital just been closed? Building on more green land risks flooding.
- I am concerned about medical practice, schools and sewers. Would they all be overstretched?
- It doesn't cope now. Doctors can't cope. Roads from Lostwithiel dangerous.
- The first major concern is the ability of sewers to cope with more loading. The second major concern is the ability of our surgery to cope with more residents.
- Yes, concern over hospital. Minor injury unit closed at present and ever present danger that the hospital itself may close. The hospital is a vital part of the NHS and provides beds to relieve pressure on Treliske. Also possible sewerage problems - Town Quay seems to smell of sewage; and more houses = more sewage!
- There is no spare capacity in Fowey's infrastructure to absorb a large or even medium increase in the number of homes. Probably let's see how Fowey copes with the 82 new dwellings currently in build.
- Yes, more houses plans with no change to infrastructure. Not sensible. Unsustainable.
- I am concerned that the approach roads to Fowey are too narrow to take an increase in traffic. The sewerage system as it is would be under pressure.
- The school has some classes which are very full and over-subscribed. Schools are not good over-all for students and teachers etc. One road into Fowey, which is used as a rat run. Lack of pedestrian crossing and parking.
- The ability of water and sewage to cope is a SERIOUS doubt. Passage Lane is too narrow for modern traffic. There are large vehicles accessing the Docks and boats on trailers, which are getting bigger every year.
- Yes definitely. Roads into Fowey really poor quality and each new home on average will probably have at least 2 cars, more if older children. Always problems with sewers now.
- Fowey is a small historic town. With an infrastructure to suit. It should not be turned into a large town.
- Needs planned expansion to meet growing needs in a timely fashion. Must be linked to business development.
- When the services were originally planned would have catered for existing population and small surplus. With the new houses it would appear the services are totally overloaded – e.g. constant sewerage smell on town quay, workmen forever having to attend. Increase in traffic.
- The Primary School cannot take more, continued building at the top of town will lead to flooding down in the town as heavy rain will have nowhere to go.
- Because Fowey needs to remain a unique venue it should restrict growth in the centre and historic area and put any new growth up round the college or further out.
- The windmill road area is a cause for concern with large lorries trying to manoeuvre near two local schools. Causes congestion and possible danger to pedestrians especially children.
- With any new development consideration must be given to providing adequate additional infrastructure. Fowey hasn't a good record in this area so it's a concern.
- The roads approaching Fowey are inadequate to deal with large amounts of traffic. The sewage works do already have problems etc:- flooding and overuse. The schools do not have enough places and Drs/Dentists etc. all have problems with numbers.
- Concerns about sewers which already struggle. Also concerns around parking. Would not support additional infrastructure in terms of more schools/shops if it's detrimental to existing infrastructure.
- In my opinion the current infrastructure is barely able to cope with the existing population. The only two roads into Fowey are barely adequate for the present level of traffic and the surgery is already over stretched.
- I understood a while ago that the services (ie) sewers fresh water supply were overloaded and yet there is continuous new building going on. yet no improvement to these services
- There is no point building further homes without employment, making Fowey a commuter town will change the character significantly.
- Yes, the services we have are just about coping. Any further large development would destroy the quality of life in Fowey, which is generally pretty good.

- Yes... the sewage and flood risk particularly. Developments that would reduce existing facilities should not be approved unless alternatives provide an equal or improved level of service has FIRST been made available.
- New housing should be built to blend in with the towns and villages old residences.
- We regularly have problems in the town with sewers and flooding. There are regular problems with large delivery vehicles getting stuck in narrow lanes. If there must be new houses in Fowey the volume and flow of traffic should be taken into account. There is no easy access.
- Fowey CANNOT take any more housing on green fields for all the reasons stated including inadequate infrastructure, sewers and drainage. Wildlife habitat will be depleted yet again, especially that of our local deer which are very special.
- Bus service would need to be far more reliable with more needing to commute. Schools will benefit with more students and possibly open up new jobs.
- The sewerage system in Fowey already overflows at busy times and floods. It is already very difficult to get a doctor's appointment due to the numbers of residents in Fowey especially holiday periods.
- Schools - currently both of my children attend the primary school, both classes have about 21 children in each, therefore not at full capacity of 30. However I worry more and more children are attending Fowey primary from surrounding areas such as Par, Tywardreath and St Austell. Therefore these places could potentially be filled for new families who live in Fowey. This is because admission policy for school will allocate school places on siblings rather than postcode. Therefore if a child who attends the school is from Par their sibling entering a full reception year would be given priority over a child who lives in Fowey. This is a national problem!
- Passage Lane is never swept: unless requested! It floods because drains block: Webb Street stinks! Building a new house on swamp land in Passage Lane takes away Fowey's soak away, so water will flow faster down the river and will flood new areas.
- Yes, the latest developments at Hill Hay are bound to lead to increased 'run off' in what is already a wet area. No provision appears to have been made to upgrade waste/sewage.
- Yes. Whilst recognising some housing needs, obsessive housing development needs to be controlled. If you concrete over your asset, no-one will want to visit or sail into an area that looks like a housing estate with a river running through it. Tourism will collapse and then you won't need the housing as employment will be affected.
- Accessing health care and social care (elderly and general). Maintaining community spirit, improve recreational facilities for the young - sports hub, community meeting venue. Public transport links improved and made affordable.
- While it is clear that young families are at a disadvantage in terms of the real estate market. I am concerned about new housing being built on the ever expanding outskirts of Fowey, which creates an abandonment of local business (i.e. they shop elsewhere and sleep in Fowey). Hospital, school and traffic must all be considered.
- The civil infrastructure of sewers and water is already overstretched. Fowey should remain a small town not spread over our green fields.

## **16. Further comments on your views about Future Housing Needs in Fowey Parish:**

### **Comments:**

- No further Wainhomes type development smaller scale infill and use of Brownfield sites.
- New business park-site required freeing up windmill site for development homes for elderly and flats for local rental only. A covenant need, to apply to all new builds and refurbishment of businesses and shops into accommodation that supports full time occupation only and not 2nd home ownership or business run letting agencies.
- Whatever is planned the quality of the build should be high on the list. The new development at Hill Hay only reaches 3 on the scale of 7 in terms of sustainable housing - shame.
- No more second homes or executive flat/apartment conversions! The Hill Hay development has segregated the town into "them" and "us". Any further developments need to be sensitive to the community would make Fowey the wonderful place it is - all year round!
- More support for elderly people to stay in Fowey. All new housing should be restricted to permanent full time residence and not buy to let investments.

- This is a dilemma that concerns many coastal towns and villages in Cornwall. A lot of the properties that are holiday lets or 2nd homes have no parking facilities and many little outside space making them unsuitable for young people who need their own transport to get to work, etc. Plus these properties have high maintenance and running costs. If you build yet more new housing on the edges of the town then the whole atmosphere and ambiance of the place changes and the reason people come here on holiday diminishes. Fowey is fortunate in having many small businesses but the tourist industry is one of the main ones and does support many other such as builders, plumbers, etc.
- Don't spoil something special.
- We already have 80 more houses being built (at Hill Hay) on the outskirts of town. But this does not seem to address the affordability of homes for local young people. Additional building needs to address the problem of providing house for local youngsters at affordable prices.
- Could it be ensured that any future development is not carried out by Wainhomes?
- No green spaces should be taken for housing.
- 1 bedroom flats - houses - maisonette for single people. Especially for YOUNG WORKING people on LOW WAGES to RENT or buy.
- Not "affordable" housing as it is currently termed, but housing at Par (PL24) rates for locals. Perhaps locals discount on all second homes that come to market but must be lived in, not rented out.
- I am greatly concerned about the constant threat of housing plans for the parish as it is there seems to be a lot of houses for sale and have been empty for some time. As it is an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty this should be taken into account. There will be further development as it is in the Wainhomes sites - who will this be for? More development is going to completely mar Fowey and its immediate surroundings.
- We are as a family won't be able to stay in Fowey, when our tenancy ends as the private rents are extortionate and do not reflect what people in Cornwall earn. There needs to be less 2nd homes, strict rent limits set and encouragement and help for people who are really trying to do their best to stay in the community.
- All second homes should pay at least double council tax.
- Cornwall Council stats can be misleading. Second homes are often self-catering holiday lets which are fundamental to Fowey's economy.
- it seems inevitable that development will continue as far as Fowey Four Turnings. Therefore a plan for future development should include shops and playing fields or a park! Before developers apply for planning permission, the Town Council should specify what they want and not accepting a "fait accompli". Also, future development MUST include better sewage and water disposal and an extension of the sewage farm. Services must include provision for extra medical/local hospital services and planned provision to extend the primary school if required, so no land adjacent to be sold for building.
- Only need housing for young first time buyers who can't earn enough money here in Cornwall to save for a deposit. There are plenty of more expensive houses in Fowey on the market. when we purchased our house we had to agree that it was for us to live in which was going to be the case for the Wainhomes site - i.e. not buy to rent, but half of the current estate is now rented out making the rich richer and those renting crippled by their rent so unable to save for their own home.
- Fowey definitely needs more social housing, even starter homes are proving difficult for young families to get the deposit together - scrap the starter home and build more council homes which can house families like they did years ago - most families had homes then.
- If Fowey is over developed it will destroy what Fowey is - a historic port and beautiful town. A place that tourists want to visit which is the only way it will survive.
- The sewerage system is cracking and needs significant investment. The housing plan needs to reflect the ever-growing young population and also cater for and nurture and support our growing older community. The town is unbelievably diverse, your close knit and this is to be celebrated.
- It is very important to create job opportunities in Fowey Parish. We need to support the jobs/industry that create employment throughout the year - not just tourist time. Fowey needs to exist throughout the year. People live here throughout the year. Windmill Industrial Estate could be used more fully especially for small business development and workshops. You also have many empty large buildings in Fowey centre which could be used as workshops of some form or fashion - depends on what the building is used for. Parking outside the 'top shop' can become ludicrous especially in the summer

season. Drivers also do not observe/respect the speed limit in their drive to the 'top shop' - that in itself is another problem.

- Future house building in Fowey should be restricted to affordable houses and some bungalows for older and disabled people. All of these could have solar panels.
- For Fowey to thrive it needs to both provide for local people but be careful not to alienate second home owners who have often contributed more than locals to the economy and community of the town.
- STOP so many 2nd homes - there are plenty of hotel and guest house spaces!
- If second home ownership was reduced it would support all of the above 'importance' points. People who want to live 'full-time' in Fowey should be supported to do so. New homes need to be for full time residents.
- The housing needs in Fowey could be decreased now by the sale of unoccupied properties all year round. Summer lets, second homes are all empty over the winter months. Only locals with family connections to Fowey should be considered for the phase of affordable homes.
- Affordable housing for local first time buyers should be a priority. Yet more "family" homes from speculative builders such as Wain Homes, should be vigorously resisted. The local authority, at all levels, should stand up to builders who refuse to take "no" for an answer and appear to bully their way into achieving planning consent for unwanted developments.
- Fowey needs to create other occupations outside of the pub/hotel industry. It needs to attract new ventures. There are no offices to buy or rent in the area outside 25 Lostwithiel St.
- Social housing is needed small alternatives estates, bungalows and houses to cater for the young families and elderly not every elderly person wants to live in a flat with no garden.
- I have doubts that "starter homes" would be bought by any local young couples - the price is usually ridiculous. People on the minimum wage cannot possibly afford the deposit and mortgages, a lot cannot afford to rent in Fowey!
- New estates should incorporate community areas, grass play areas, gardens, trees and wildlife habitats.
- Developers get out of their obligations to provide affordable housing. Treffry Estate sell off of houses and flats has put more into the owner-occupiers at the expense of local affordability. I see a great divergence - mega bucks developments and upgraded homes, prices inflated and the local community is being polarised. Ocean Housing Windmill House is good but doesn't meet the needs of people with care needs. Need to have a range of mixed tenure properties being built. Wainhomes are building homes which don't meet local need.
- Really affordable housing - the young people of Fowey need to be able to have the realistic opportunity of staying in Fowey. Opportunity for professional families to be able to move up the property ladder. Having affordable housing and all other property will become un-affordable. Need a middle ground. Otherwise a huge gap and affordable won't come back on the market.
- Concerned about the precarious balance of preserving the rare and beautiful quality of the area and the pressing need for affordable housing etc. The Fowey area is (or should be) considered an area of outstanding natural beauty - any development must be sympathetic and unobtrusive.
- The architecture of what is invariably built needs a radical re-think. Why always the predictable, could-be-anywhere developments by the same old developers (Wainhomes) when we have so many brilliant architects full of imaginative ways of creating attractive housing at affordable prices.
- I find it difficult to accept that there is a major need for more houses in a town with so many empty properties and second homes. We need a small number of smaller, genuinely affordable houses for rent or purchase for the young and less well-off members of our community. We do NOT need new 4 bed houses which will be sold on as second homes.
- Further affordable housing is needed but this should be done tastefully and not all by Wainhomes! it should be a gradually process based on the needs of local people.
- Restrictions on new build, set rent charge on private renting, improve facilities for education, community building is essential. Recreation leisure centre for public use should also be available.
- Being born and/or brought up in a particular location does not give that person the right to own a property in that location, only to rent. The exception could be for a local fire fighter.
- Must have parking. All new builds must have solar panels. No green field sites.

- Wainhomes is building houses with no provision of extra infrastructure - and no concern of flooding issues on Hill Hay. A lack of concern for the town of Fowey in their constant thirst for their building on the countryside, for their profit. It needs to be addressed.
- I do not feel it is acceptable that the overflow at our sewerage system flows into the sea!! Our coastline, and marine environment is why a lot of people live and visit Fowey. We must protect our beautiful environment both ON and OFF the water ...
- We need a selection of housing suitable for all generations to provide the town with a good mix of residents of all ages on a permanent basis.
- It cannot be ignored that people need homes in which to live. Fowey must face that it has a part to play however second homes are not the way forward and the need of local people should be paramount.
- No further building in Fowey except for affordable homes for local people. Future housing should be for full-time occupancy as second homes are destroying the local community and infrastructure.
- Not commuter town. Need to keep green spaces to retain quality of life of town. Not seen any demographics of types/ages of residence and why they move out.
- I feel that houses on new estates should not be purchased as second homes or holiday rentals. I have a second home, but it is old and unsuitable for modern families. The new houses should be for local families who need space and gardens.
- There is little employment opportunity in Fowey and new housing beyond the existing needs of the community will lead to increased traffic as people commute to work outside Fowey.
- Should ensure local people are prioritised and associated infrastructure is built. Try to avoid 'buy to let' if possible as those price out locals.
- Needs to keep Fowey's charm - small Cornish town.
- Housing is available very near to Fowey - Par - St Blazey - that is perfectly acceptable to younger low cost buyers. They can't expect to all live in Fowey.
- Houses are wanted not needed in Fowey. People may want buildings flattened in Fore Street, wider road and big house there, with shops out of town, a bridge over the river with a road to London, take away outlets (with authentic rubbish), betting shops etc. That might sound over the top but with more people in Fowey do they really know Fowey is so special. Please don't spoil Fowey. I would have loved a house in my own village, but I knew I couldn't afford one, I did not expect one, so I bought elsewhere.
- The way local are being priced out of the housing market means that Fowey is being gentrified and therefore we are losing the community spirit that was so prevalent. One wonders if this is called progress!
- We do feel that use of green field sites are the answer. Fowey can never provide sufficient employment to justify it. All our children have left Cornwall for better employment prospects.
- One bedroom bungalows or more one bedroom flats like Windmill House. Nobody thinks about the elderly.
- Believe it's important to keep green areas/parks around Fowey and within new building sites for aesthetics and play. Support local people first.
- We would like to see thoughtful planning so that any new housing does not spoil this beautiful town and put visitors off from coming here and put businesses off from setting up.
- The total lack of consideration given to the views of residents when the latest Wainhomes site was being decided on, is very worrying. There was massive opposition but it was still approved.
- Whilst recognising some housing needs, obsessive housing development needs to be controlled. If you concrete over your asset, no-one will want to visit or sail into an area that looks like a housing estate with a river running through it. Tourism will collapse and then you won't need the housing as employment will be affected.
- Priority for young local WORKING people above social housing/people moving in from other areas just for social housing needs.
- Fowey needs a mix of housing. Tourism is important and holiday accommodation is essential.
- Plan the services infrastructure THEN build the houses. We always do it the other way round. Result: CHAOS.
- Second homes to pay full council tax - encourage empty homes to be used. Desperate need for affordable rents for young people who, at present, cannot afford to leave home. The historic beauty of

the town is already being systematically eroded by current development. Piecemeal development has gone far enough and needs to be curtailed.

- I am despondent as a 10 year resident of Fowey and a local business owner, to see the amount of useful day-to-day businesses vanish one by one and for Fowey to remain a living town and not, like so many other Cornish towns, succumb to a culture of rich and poor, second home versus locals.
- As someone who struggled to buy a property which wasn't extortionately priced, in order to stay in Fowey, I have great empathy with people starting out on the property ladder. We need to strike a balance between keeping the character of Fowey intact yet providing affordable housing to enable people to stay in the town they love / have grown up in. Smaller developments are preferable I think, rather than huge estates
- Don't ruin the green spaces that make Fowey a beautiful place to live
- Why build "Affordable" housing in Fowey when it is still far dearer than equivalent housing in Par/St Blazey
- There is much confusion at present about second homes. There should be no impediments for houses purchased for rental – holiday or resident, but preference for these to be given above unoccupied second homes, to the extent that planning laws and local taxation permit this.

## **18. What sort of jobs/industry should be supported?:**

### **Comments:**

- Rural craft centre - Business hub with shared office space. Small workshop space for local industry.
- Tourism, Port-related commerce - china clay, fishing, leisure; adequate services for locals.
- Fishing expansion of commercial shipping other than 'Imerys'
- Small craft band. Boat building. Small bee hive units. Craft hub.
- Support to leisure and other marine activities. Support to property maintenance. Arts/Crafts/I.T.
- Any but specifically tourism and marine.
- Any non-polluting activities.
- Jobs related to Fowey Port and Docks. Marine industry.
- Permanent employment.
- Light industry and services.
- Catering; boat-building; building (plumbers, plasterers, etc etc); road sweepers; nurses/care workers.
- Creative/crafts.
- Jobs associated with the sea and the harbour in any way - both commercial and pleasure.
- Boat building, light industry.
- Marine industry, tourism, engineering, building services.
- Local shops, farms and businesses.
- Tourist related, boating related (commercial and leisure), artisan businesses.
- Retail, catering, tourism, the hospital.
- A marina there isn't one between Plymouth and Falmouth. What an opportunity!
- Traditional jobs and tourist trade.
- Tourism - the strongest industry that Fowey has which should be developed and protected.
- Small scale manufacturing, traditional marine and rural crafts.
- Marine activities and shops - not new light industry.
- Building small local shops. Anything connected to river or waterfront. Tourism.
- Not seasonal.
- Light Industry, Craftwork/Boat Building
- Catering, retail and fill the empty shops with shops for local needs NOT for holiday makers.
- Commercial plus pleasure boats as this brings people and money into the town, good for business.
- Internet, technical support, design practices.
- Maintain jobs in tourism - do not spoil the town to the detriment of tourism.
- Small artistic technical and mechanical maritime connected.
- Fishing/Boat building, tourism/restaurants, local artists to support year round life in the town.
- Arts and creative industries
- Docks and Harbour Office are major employers and all to do with them needs encouraging. Also independent individual businesses.
- Employment all year round

- Tourism, food, catering, the arts, construction, service companies.
- Tourism, marine, small craft workshops
- Fishing, tourism, crafts
- Water related ones. Also small businesses.
- Anything that retains young people and skills in the area.
- Small business e.g. boat building - not seasonal or temporary e.g. hotel
- Fowey Harbour Commissioners to take control of docks and create more jobs/attract more ships.
- Anything that provides jobs for local youngsters enabling them to remain in the parish.
- Tourist industry, boat builders and maintenance, proper shops supporting Fowey through the year.
- To allow a variety of jobs - not just tourism related
- All jobs/industry that encourages employment, a good standard of living and enhances Fowey as a part/harbour and tourist destination.
- Those connected with Fowey's greatest assets: harbour, estuary, AONB, shops in Fore Street, access to countryside - footpaths, good quality small food shops, restaurants.
- A few more useful shops; teachers to provide engineering courses for craft or boatbuilding, repairs, plumbing and printing skills etc based in college grounds. Cooking school.
- Local shops to meet the needs of residents as well as visitors.
- All year jobs - not seasonal. Sensible salary ie not minimum wage.
- A balance between business needs and for those living here. i.e. refusal for excessive hotel development etc.
- There is a lack of employment in Fowey for young people.
- Well paid long term full time jobs for example marine research and conservation.
- Cornish crafts
- Non-retail, craft and manufacture to support range of skills, apprenticeships, support for knowledge based workers and those working from home, tourism, marine industries, renewables, sailing.
- There needs to be a balance between needs of local people living in the area and business needs.
- Because Fowey is built on the river - it must be fishing - boat building, pleasure.
- Small local businesses/start-ups e.g. IT, DIY/garden centre/ cinema complex
- Any marine type jobs, as well as supporting skilled local crafts, etc.
- Boat repairs/building. Sailing for leisure craft. A new marina is desperately needed!
- Local shops - affordable rents, catering, hotels, tourism.
- Lobster Hatchery (like Padstow), Shellfish industry and shellfish retailing
- Harbour and river associated. Jobs which will enable school leavers to remain and graduates to come "home" to work.
- Look at each suggestion as entrepreneur suggests them.
- Tourism + leisure/ fishing/ boat building/ expansion of port activities
- Focus must be placed on the high street offering. Avoid chains that could dominate smaller or boutique businesses.
- Self-employed, entrepreneur, tourism, docks, cruise liner facilities, support for marine pursuits. There is also a serious need for new gig sheds.
- Tourism staff, shops should be all year round and not just goods for visitors - NO MORE TRAVEL AGENTS
- IT. Need supermarket. Coffee shop that stays open late.
- Apprenticeships to all the trades e.g. plumbing, electrician, building, carpentry.
- Shopkeepers - small businesses could be attracted - not for sale of tourist trinkets but of general use e.g. ironmongers and we now need a fishmongers (I had to go to St Austell to buy shoelaces).
- Those sympathetic to the history and culture of Fowey.
- Any small business that can offer permanent, all year round employment.
- Fishing, harbour, marine, tourist industry, local shops, jobs for local people.
- Fishing and boat building plus pleasure industry as this plays a large part in Fowey's income.
- Water orientated, Hi tech for small office units.
- Small individual Cornish businesses. The harbour and all it covers (ships, boats, etc.)
- Banks, boat building, light industry factories, our Fowey Hospital e.g. A&E.
- Light industry/business park small scheme - Four Turnings. Studios for digital/media and artists.

- As this is an AONB "industry" seems inappropriate but it would be great if more full time non-seasonal jobs could be provided locally. The important high street businesses should be helped and perhaps businesses associated with water front e.g. sailing schools more facilities to attract marina type business.
- None seasonable - year round employment
- Local crafts and produces i.e. farm shop - local produce, fishmongers, fish and chip shop!
- Local services and retail representing needs of town e.g. local shops. Marine service facilities etc.
- Permanent and part-time opportunities to give employment for local families.
- Creative small businesses
- Encourage hardware shop/workshop. Crafts. Maritime related and tourism.
- Local businesses/apprentices/maritime and farming plus tourism.
- Probably small scale enterprises ideally associated with local amenities of river and not impinging on town's unique character.
- Anything to do with the water, light industry, a small industrial/business area would help down by the docks.
- Leisure boating, high technology - home working, light industry
- Should try to retain traditional - port, boats, tourism and entice location flexible technology industries.
- Independent shops, local traditional industries such as boat building/pottery. Local food production.
- High end tourism + hospitality, traditional and modern marine services, specialist skilled manufacturing + innovation.
- Green jobs/industry and also non tourist all year round jobs.
- A broad range is needed to provide for all people. Less industry that is reliant on tourism and certainly less boats clogging of the quay.
- Tourism - cafes/restaurants, gift and local craft shops (non-tacky), water and leisure activities, local produce shops e.g. grocers, butchers
- The Arts e.g. there should be for visitors an art / a craft centre with workshops for artisan working. Anything to do with sailing/port should be staying supported.
- Fowey is centred around the river and activities on the river or connected with it should be encouraged although as the population increases so the need for light industrial units needs to complete the balance.
- Tourism, farming, marine support, fishing, retail, light engineering, public services, boat building, building, artisans - electrical, plumbing etc., china clay.
- A variety - key priority should be in supporting current local businesses NOT enabling larger scale enterprises to kill current local business.
- Allowing and aiding small businesses to start; and to create financial aid schemes to facilitate the current market which is obscenely overpriced. We are basically forcing chains to move in.
- Any which are not polluting or otherwise offensive. Preference to 12 month, full time work providers and those able to train, educate and provide career progression. Additionally, seasonal employers which complement the existing tourist industry, to provide work for the winter months.
- Small businesses, traditional industries (clay, fish farming etc.) and tourism although I would hate to see a rise in tacky shops / gentrification of the town centre. Less chains, more independent shops help to retain Fowey's unique character / position.
- Realistically priced industrial units for small business.
- Would be lovely to have some community provision of workshop space for local small self-employed creative businesses. This seems to be a growth area Need for housing for people working shifts in catering and hotels... bus service is inadequate
- Tradesmen (plumbers/ electricians), workshops and small shops e.g. butcher, baker, delicatessen
- We need to create employment that is not geared to the tourism sector as this provides low paid seasonal work which does not benefit the young
- Maritime research and development, small start up's, grants for local businesses to expand.
- Any business that does not harm the environment.
- Independent start-up businesses of all types not just IT and employment that recruits from professionals to unskilled labour

- The area is unsuitable both geographically & logistically for large industrial businesses. Like it or not the future of the area is almost entirely reliant on the tourist industry and can only really support small business units in convenient locations
- Maritime and tourism, local house builders to construct new homes to keep Wainhomes cancer at bay.
- Anything that encourages all year round employment like a small supermarket.

## 20. Where could these jobs/industry be placed?:

### Comments:

- Not on the skyline. Not blocking tourists view of river and sea.
- Imerys Docks? Cinder Path?
- Small industrial units on town fringes and redundant farm buildings.
- Small business outskirts of town. Workshops/studios in empty shops or buildings.
- Windmill or near library, old train station not more apartments for second homers.
- One the outskirts of Fowey including the jetties with good road accessibility.
- Redundant clay docks, Passage Lane, Windmill, Coombe Lane.
- Ideally on existing sites - but vehicle access on Millmill is problem for residents - other users.
- Former railway land and underused clay industry land - adjacent to water to serve.
- College area perhaps but is it really necessary? The printer had to move away.
- On any redundant china clay site and up the hill to the east of Fowey.
- Non-residential areas
- Almost anywhere provided done sensitively.
- Create regular markets to keep local shopping in the Parish.
- Where ever there is the space and easy to get to
- In existing building lots of empty shops for sale in Fowey town. Keep all community space for recreation
- Top of Squires Field if bowling club was to become a community hall.
- The Midland bank has been empty for many years maybe here? - Windmill Industrial estate
- Limit new developments, focus on existing infrastructure in the main town.
- Penmarlam/Windmill. Training in skills for self employed entrepreneurs, so that they can work out of their own homes - artists, authors, craft, designers, software computers.
- Outskirts of town where possible unless water access is essential
- We already have two industrial units which could be better used.
- Around old station, redundant space near docks. Make public use of China Clay lorry road.
- Wherever they would be viable, but with regard to conservation areas.
- Instead of second Wainhome development.
- One aim should be to close down windmill as an industrial site to avoid HGV Driving through housing estate and sometimes having to reverse the land should be used for housing.
- Perhaps where the pilot boat and fishing boats moor near Boddinnick Ferry - near the old station. Old station to be offices/workshops?
- In a designated area away from public view and with adequate parking.
- Only on brown field sites, within Parish boundaries and NOT green field sites.
- Down by the docks, the old station area. By Penventine. Any large building which is NOT holiday accommodation.
- Depends what kind of jobs/industry created, but probably on the outer reaches.
- Wherever has the least impact but maximum access.
- Use the hospital site if the hospital is going to close.
- If they are viable make an effort to fit them in somewhere and charge business rates too.
- Central or outskirts with consideration to any impact on existing businesses. NOT on local slipways and piers whose priority should be for access.
- At present, simply look at all the closed businesses. The quay should be used better for the town.
- Areas close to the docks/old station, with access negotiated via the Imerys haul road. Out of town sites with good public transport provision included as part of the development.

- I would love to have seen the old building at Caffa Mill turned into studio space instead of flats. Any old buildings currently not in use although I'm not sure a) if there are any suitable and b) how this would work financially.
- Possibly could be a sensitively landscaped block of workshops/studios adjacent to the Wain Homes new car park ?
- It would need to be near the edge of the parish boundary as most of the town is accessed through narrow lanes which are not suitable to carry heavy goods vehicles
- Purpose built site with a buffer zone to protect residents, or brownfield.
- Site of the library, the building is awful, needs to be knocked down and replaced with a purpose-built space for workshops, studios and small businesses
- Mostly outside of the 'old town' to facilitate transport/parking/deliveries and to allow the tourists industry to capitalize on the riverside town.
- Re-development of Imerys Land and Buildings in the Port area and the land adjacent to Caffa Mill. Road improvements to the Ferry Link would facilitate this.

## **22. Where would you like any additional shops to be located?:**

### **Comments:**

- For easy access. No requirement for supermarket - have delivery available from all major stores in St Austell.
- As close as possible to the current town footprint to encourage more people to more shopping in the town rather than travelling further afield ie. to St Austell/Truro etc.
- Don't mind, but car parking/access is important.
- Ideally at top of town with vehicle accessibility.
- In town centre utilising empty shops. HSBC building has been empty for years! Conversion of old post office to a dwelling should not have been permitted.
- Develop empty properties in town and at Caffa Mill or out of town where parking and access are not an issue.
- Within the town reducing the number of gift and clothes shops.
- In the town, there are too many cloths shops and few shops catering to the real needs of the community.
- There are two empty bank buildings - farmers market once a week - Caffa Mill. Farmers market could use Squires Field. The car park was given 'in perpetuity' to the Town.
- Needs to be down in the town to secure the future of Fowey.
- Bring back the old shops - too many restaurants and galleries and expensive clothes shops, some people wonder why working class people don't shop in Fowey - because there are no reasonably priced food stores or clothes shops.
- A small supermarket could be situated within the new housing estate that is being built. We could do with a decent greengrocers in Fowey centre and a farmers Market would be a huge asset - perhaps when the Bowling Club has a new lease of life!!! There are many existing buildings that could be renovated - sooner rather than later. The area around Caffa Mill has been allowed to decline for years and now the station master's house is almost beyond repair. This could be an excellent shopping area - not for tourist tat or expensive designer clothes shops, but a farm shop with 'reasonable' prices, a greengrocers, fresh fish shop. Reasonable prices enable it to be accessible all year round for local people.
- Do away or restrict with tea/pasty shops to allow others to come in.
- Top of the hill - within the on-going Wainhomes development to serve this estate and capture incoming traffic. This would also help ease of deliveries/congestion in town.
- Fore Street or Park Road, and supermarket only if next to Four Turnings Garage something should be done with Lloyds and the HSBC buildings (Santander is more popular).
- If the population who actually live here need more shops, then I am sure you will hear about it! - the residential population, I understand, is in decline.
- Centre of town to keep the 'town atmosphere' and to stop it being low grade tourism.
- We, honestly, don't mind as long as there is parking!!! And the shop is price competitive!!
- There is no need for additional space, just occupy the empty shops.

- Any big business on the fringe e.g. a supermarket type near 4 Turnings garage...just an example if it has to be...
- ust on the outskirts of town on the main road to save the tortuous trip to St Austell.
- Do not want a supermarket in Fowey Parish, support local independent shops so Fowey remains the wonderful place to live/visit.
- Given continuing development outside town boundaries, it might be useful if new businesses nearer 4 turnings area?
- No further shops needed or Fowey will become completely unrecognisable. Ample stores in commutable distance.
- Too many empty shops already - use them.
- Farmers market in proposed community centre. Greengrocer in town centre instead of a "tourist" shop.
- Got to be in town centre to keep character of town cohesive.
- In Lostwithiel Street and Fore Street instead of cafes and shops selling "tatt" made in China.
- We are entirely well served by 1. shop/post office in the centre of town, 2. shop/post office at the top of town. There is no requirement for a supermarket, which would seriously threaten the culture of Fowey and the existing businesses. So PLEASE DON'T CHANGE FOWEY'S CHARACTER. We do not need a supermarket!!
- Use empty buildings in the town in Fowey. Encourage further development of businesses along Par Moor Road.
- I would actively encourage and support a weekend farmers market on the town quay.
- In the town in existing premises eg a farmers market/health shop/pet shop could be housed in the old NatWest Bank.
- In any empty premises - we have a glut of eating places which on the whole are summer opening only. Ditto pasty shops. 2) In park road/Hill Hay area
- Within the empty business premises in the town before they are turned into second home occupation as has already happened to 2/3 of the town.
- All these businesses should be located between Caffè Mill and the Esplanade
- I would use a supermarket, but would not want or need one. Farmers market on Town Quay, or outside Library on shut day. Greengrocer, Kittows, pork store (?). Fish market Town Quay, not the riverside of quay, outside Legion & K.O.P. Move dock gates back to Seamans Mission & have market, car boot etc.
- Windmill area to extend the commercial area. Hill Hay to develop community there and encourage residents to spend money locally rather than St Austell.
- Already a high turnover of businesses in the centre. How many boutiques does a town need?
- Farmland at the top of the Parade/Lankelly Lane. I realize this was a contentious issue, but a growing senior population would benefit from a small supermarket within easy access, rather than relying on the Asda/community bus.
- There needs to be accountability to a local forum for business developments. This will help stop individuals/businesses doing what they want - without consideration of impact on other businesses.
- I simply wish to see more independent traders who sell things other than tourist trinkets. I fear for Barclays Bank. The top of the hill needs more retail space.
- There is no need to build new shops. It should be borne in mind that the recent application for a supermarket was purely speculative and part of a wider planning application. There was never a client interesting in developing a supermarket in Fowey. The infrastructure and the small population would make any large retail development unsustainable.
- Weekly farmers market could be sited out of town centre.
- in town - too many restaurants, especially around town quay. Caffè Mill car park and library area
- Would be good to try and further develop a bit more retail at the Caffè Mill end. Disappointed that the commercial units now taken out of the Station Masters House development.

**23. If more building (housing or commercial) was proposed for Fowey and the Parish, which of the following sites would you favour?:**

**Comments:**

- Conversion of existing large buildings instead of 1 dwelling making 3 or 4 without the need of mass development on green fields.
- Passage Lane/anywhere else where it can't spoil the town.
- No more mass development on farmland.
- Perhaps allow farm outbuildings a limited number of conversions.
- Brown field sites + Infill = where?
- Brown field sites - if any. Infill - dangerous to proliferate as open spaces are part of Fowey's charm. This is a small community, cannot support larger developments and keep character.
- Infill - where appropriate, not changing overall look of town. Extend development - possibly.
- There is enough development to the entrance to Fowey already. Strongly disagree with building on green field sites.
- Infill sites in old town excluded, due to loss of important existing view-points
- Seasonal overflow car parking could go on green field. Using recycled plastic cellular surfaces the field could still be grassed.
- Yes extend the town line of Fowey, but with more than one provider and one type of development.
- Development to entrance of Fowey is already allocated. We should stop any more housing estates altogether! Too many town in Cornwall and Devon will have signs 'this way to the old town'
- Ban additional holiday lets and second homes.

## **25. What do you like most about living in Fowey Parish?:**

### **Comments:**

- Living near to the coast and a busy commercial port, access to the water for sailing and boating community spirit and unspoilt countryside.
- Sense of community. Knowing I can be in country lanes/on cliffs/beach within a short walk.
- My wonderful little house on a well-planned 60's estate that when I have in 16 years ago was part of lovely community.
- Sense of mixed community. 2) Beautiful setting. 3) River and beach and walks along them. 4) Lower town food shops.
- Wonderful location, lovely friendly people, lots of activities, busy socially all year round. Easy to get to and good transport links.
- Peace, quiet, scenery, people, history, light and lack of pollution.
- People speak to each other, know each other and help each other.
- Small and friendly town (keep it that way).
- The ability to be able to source most items that one needs without having to use the car.
- The people of Fowey, clubs and societies, views, restaurants and interesting local shops. The town bus, which provides a great service. The community bus which serves the community.
- Fowey is a beautiful place to live. Most of the time it is a tranquil place. I like living by the sea.
- The people. Convenience of doctors surgery - hospital - shops - school - playschools.
- The beautiful, natural, unspoilt and peaceful countryside. The unique charm of being a small harbourside town.
- This is a close, friendly, community based round the estuary and close countryside.
- The beauty and unspoilt nature which is being threatened by development.
- The views of country and Estuary. The community of local residents NOT the second home owners. The local town bus.
- It's parish church and sense of community together with good bus services, health care and footpaths.
- Its home! for us both. We BOTH love the sea and our families are BOTH from the town for 100's of years.
- The community spirit. The fact that there is a large choice of restaurants for such a small population.
- It is not so big that you are able to know and greet people. to care for neighbours. Fowey is still a working town.
- Sense of community activities for families all local (e.g. crab fishing, beach, etc.). Sense of safety.
- Peace and quiet, away from the hustle and bustle of modern life. Good community and mix of ages.
- It is just a beautiful peaceful place but getting overbuilt.
- The wonderful spirit of community and the beauty of Fowey itself.

- Easy access to the countryside. All facilities that are necessary e.g. school, doctors surgery, etc, within walking distance. The allotments.
- I love living in Fowey and feel very blessed and fortunate to live here - the sea, harbour, countryside and coastline. It's so unspoilt but is becoming tarnished with people's greed for money and property. Elitism and snobbery!! I know many people move here for the sea, countryside, a slow pace of life that has a community spirit.
- The size and location of Fowey. We can walk to the town and use local shops and amenities and still easily walk into the countryside.
- Convenience of local services. Supportive community with lots of activities on offer.
- Sense of community/friendly people/good local shops/definite boundary to Fowey Town. PSO available and approachable.
- It is a thriving community in an area of outstanding natural (beauty) and this could easily be ruined by over development.
- Waterborne activities. Walking in AONB - coast. Open views. Beautiful approaches to Fowey. Relative peace. Size of town. Sense of community.
- Its unchanging quality of charm and tranquillity. The calm friendly way of life, the upheld traditions and history, the spirit of the people and the community activities which embrace everyone, old or young.
- Nothing. These days it has been spoilt!! The quay!! The Buttermarket!! Horrible!!
- we like living in a town that's still an active, working port and hasn't yet been completely taken over by 2nd homes and holidaymakers.
- A mix of residents and acceptable numbers of tourists. In such a beautiful area, together with an understanding of local and national needs.
- It is peaceful, good community, nice walks, beaches, good church, supportive community, good (primary) school.
- Fowey is a real town and community which has stayed much the same for 60 years to my knowledge. So far it has avoided becoming a low grade tourist attraction.
- The peace and quiet. The coastline. The access to sea. Our view across to AONB and National Trust protected coastline of Polruan with NO windmills!!.
- The yet unspoiled beauty of the parish and its unique character.
- Community spirit. Fresh air! Activities i.e. sailing, croquet, gardening. Facilities for elderly.
- Being on the estuary. The small, local shops and 'village' feel.
- A good community life. Peace and quiet surrounding areas. Good local bus service to the town and back.
- Fowey is a good size to be personal, friendly and have a community feel.
- The present size of the town - small enough to be friendly and personal - large enough to offer great diversity.
- In a fast changing world Fowey remains, to a great extent, much as I remember it 70 years ago. Let's keep it "different" to other places.
- The fact that it only takes 10 minutes to walk from my house to the town quay. Bustling in summer, quiet in winter.
- Sense of community, history, heritage and people caring about each other.
- Scenic old town on coast with sense of history, beaches, facilities for sailing/ walking and beautiful views.
- Peaceful and safe to live alone. Access to coastal footpaths and beaches.
- The visual experience of harbour and coast. The fact that it is still a working port and not just retirement/ tourist town. No noisy holiday/ night club places.
- Maritime and rural environment. Friendly inhabitants (mostly!!)
- The community - having the opportunity to live where I grew up.
- The community and local offerings are of a great standard even when compared to the rest of the UK.
- The town, the position, the balance, the culture, the mix of residents/diversity, the community and social bonding opportunities. Caring culture. Facilities.
- Vicinity of the river and sea. Walks. Beautiful environment. Fresh air. Friendly community. Plenty to do (clubs etc.)! Low crime rate.

- Lovely views. Regatta Week (meeting old friends). Friendly people, lively church, an assortment of 'nice' shops, wonderful walks on coast.
- The feeling of belonging to a traditional community. The beauty and history.
- The unchanging look of the town. Traditional values, friendly community. The beauty of the estuary and water-based activities.
- Pace of life, community, beautiful nature of the place. It is paradise!
- It's very beautiful (and needs protecting) and it has a fascinating history. The people are friendly and the pace and quality of life is lovely. One can live outside year round sailing, walking, dogs, swimming, gardening, etc.
- I used to like it a lot more than I do now. We had a daily post office, chemist (proper ones), now it's clothes and food, not anywhere.
- The wonderful feeling of community. The church family. The wonderful harbour. The individual shops - Buffetts, The Book Shop, Middletons - they are unique.
- The peace and quiet, the views, it's beautiful, it's a wonderful place to raise children.
- Small, traditional community. Friendly and welcoming. Appearance of traditional Cornish town.
- I love Fowey. Fowey is magical, Fowey is enchanting. You feel it when you think of town, you get excited on the walk in. You experience it when you hit town.
- Its size and very good community. The beautiful views and surrounding countryside which enhance the quality of life. The way people care about their community and environment.
- The community spirit. Everyone is willing to help their neighbours - more like a village.
- The wooded estuary; the adjacent coastline, the walks. The historical buildings, the attractive streets, the sailing and all that goes with it (regatta), the surrounding farmland, the local people, the pubs/restaurants, voluntary organisations, putting on plays, festivals etc.
- I love the walks, small shops and shops. I also love the sense of community in Fowey. As I have lived here for 26 years I would like my two children to enjoy the outside living I had growing up as a child in Fowey.

## **26. What do you like least about living in Fowey Parish?:**

### **Comments:**

- The percentage of second homes, the concentration of 2nd homes in the old part of town. Parking issues caused by residents and visitors who look for free parking.
- Traffic through town during summer. Litter/Fly tipping on Squires Field Car park.
- Indiscriminate parking. When I moved from Truro to Fowey 16 years ago there was a lovely neighbour-hood and neighbours now even a third of my street are holiday and second homes - who grub out and use out town as a back drop for their experience dreams with little regard to our home.
- Overdevelopment with lack of supportive infrastructure (notably roads).
- The feeling that it's being spoilt by unnecessary property development
- Lack of some basic shops. Litter left by self-catering visitors who don't know when it is collected or how to protect from seagulls.
- Hopelessly inadequate food shopping - have to go to St Austell.
- Litter and dog fouling. Street lights on all night.
- People who come in and want to change things in a way which annoys the e.g wain homes and wind turbines.
- Lack of planning control on older buildings eg change of windows and doors.
- The amount of rubbish that is thrown into the old cemetery in the centre of Fowey.
- That the Town Quay has been taken over by businesses and that the disabled parking bay "disappears" in the summer. A lot that the Butter Market has been barricaded!
- It is over-run with visitors in the high season. There is no real community in Fowey. It is very fragmented. It's too far from anywhere.
- Lack of parking for local people, condition of existing car parks, exorbitant cost and unfair, unreasonable attitude of private parking companies. Embarrassing things like no toilets for visitors for such a long time.
- The pressure applied from those wishing to over develop the town and AONB.
- Expanding too much!
- Cost of houses.

- In-comers intent on changing things regardless of our traditions and feelings.
- The number of holiday homes - sold to people from elsewhere who are able to spend more than the locals thus preventing the younger generation from buying a home in the town. Where they were born.
- The constant threat of development and using Fowey as a cash cow address. The fact that so much of the recently developed sites are empty and therefore overbuilding has already taken place.
- Gift shops, lack of banking, people coming to Fowey to leave the rat race only to form one of their own here. Can't wait drive along the pavement!
- The ridiculous parking issues on Regatta Week. The speed at which people drive. The rudeness of 2nd home owners.
- Not near a supermarket. It costs a lot each week to get all me and my sons needs in petrol.
- Interference from incomers who came because they live it, then want to change it all!
- The Business Rates prevent small businesses from being here.
- Perhaps dodgy phone signal! The litter around town left by a) holiday accommodation putting out rubbish bags to be attacked by gulls; b) not enough gull proof bins in town - takeaway food outlets should contribute to adequate bins.
- lack of affordable shops. Lack of parking. Lack of community spirit.
- Poor parking provision - you are made to feel guilty for parking on public accessible roads where people sometimes see fit to store or park their boats. There should be a permit scheme for locals.
- Continued development (housing) is changing the character.
- I dislike the reduction of services for local people i.e. the closure of banks and the reduction of banking hours. Not everyone wants to use on line banking. The lack of shops that do not supply/fulfil the basic needs of families. The lack of reasonably priced food markets. Too many empty buildings in the centre being converted to food outlets for tourists. Congestion and people not observing speed limits/rules of the road.
- Dog owners not picking up after their dogs. (We have a dog and pick up).
- Poor/non-existent mobile phone signals. Expensive parking - puts off visitors. Drunkenness as Regatta Week, not enough police presence, keeping town clear/bins need emptying regularly throughout the day.
- The ease which rich people seem to get planning approval for building projects which have direct impact/cost on "small people", and adversely affect appearance of lovely town.
- The fear of over development.
- Lack of real sense of all embracing community. Summer congestion and difficulty around easy access to Fowey Town area e.g. disabled parking/access facilities. Limited modern communications (internet/phone).
- Irresponsible dog owners - fouling by dogs in otherwise beautiful areas for walking creates a bad impression and downright unpleasant for unfortunate residents.
- Too many cars and car parks will ruin the lovely town, estuary and river views forever. Another cashpoint needed. I'd like to see the regeneration of Fore Street and less concrete. We need a greengrocers shop, a wet fish/fish and chip shop but traditional not modern tat.
- Empty second and holiday homes. Lack of ordinary shops.
- Lack of local support in town for business
- The way the town has been spoilt by the shops which have brought into the town. There are no basic sensible shops.
- Lack of a community centre and limited activities for children.
- The unnecessary traffic through the town. The huge 4x4s. The disregard of these 4x4s that go up onto the pavements only to crack and tip up our beautiful granite kerb stones. Can we please restrict or even charge access to town - not essential, deliveries or access to health vehicles.
- Traffic congestion in the season particularly Fore Street. Lost tourists in season particularly with cars. Parking - or lack of it and no resident parking permits allowed along Esplanade. Over-zealous traffic wardens.
- No fibre optic broadband. Restricted bank times. Shops focus on tourism over what local residents need.
- The views of the estuary are decreasing hugely over the past few years, some of my favourite lookouts have now gone due to housing developments.

- The seemingly relentless march of Wain Homes! Difficulty and price of parking when trying to support shops in the town.
- Empty housing in winter - 2nd homes holiday homes changing the character of the parish
- Development which is already ruining the "feel".
- Lack of renewable energy. Factionalised town without a sense of community. Small mindedness of long term residents to new ideas, newcomers (10 years here).
- Unsympathetic and poor quality design in housing development.
- polarisation of housing - mega bucks and the people who would love even a small starter home. Seeing young people being forced to live elsewhere. Traffic in town. Trying to find somewhere to push a wheelchair.
- 'Rottweiler' parking wardens pointlessly discouraging tourists and businesses. Limited WC provision - somewhat improved with Caffa Mill. Unhelpful vested interests of anachronistic major land owners.
- The entrance to Fowey is being spoiled by every-expanding housing estate. Huge rents in the town, prohibiting the existence of everyday shops.
- Wainhomes riding roughshod over locals opinions.
- Exorbitant rents being charged by out of towners making tenants leave shop premises.
- Too much new builds especially (4/5) bedroom houses much too expensive for locals.
- Ridiculous extension of Hill Hay making Fowey just like any other town. Reduces appeal of quaint town.
- In the last 20 years the community spirit, social activities and local businesses which were a major part of this have disappeared as half the buildings are only occupied for part of the year.
- Too much traffic. Lack of traffic management - town centre in summer. The ever increasing volume of motor traffic in town, in particular the number of delivery vehicles.
- No modern buildings on waterfront (well almost none)
- The extension of the town out into the country. Too many empty houses within the town.
- Trying to walk the streets avoiding traffic, the worry of the wrong type of development and increase in second homes.
- Vast new development - the appearance of Hill Hay estate. Price of water-front properties.
- The empty businesses in town, the prejudice against (very well-meaning) second home owners! Some of them (like us) aim to retire in Fowey when the children have left the nest.
- Dog poo. Rivalry e.g. Christmas markets, choirs, chamber of commerce. Lack of pavement between Newtown and Fowey. Cars in town.
- The community spirit is lost - there's a lot of us and them. Too many elitist little groups.
- The control some locals have - i.e. putting that disgusting shed on town quay for Fowey cruise.
- The slow but steady spread by Wainhomes. The lack of 'useful' shops as well as tourist shops.
- The expansion of the town on to greenfield sites on the outskirts of Fowey.
- The loss of general community spirit, too many people are second home owners, or new to the area and have no concept of its history.
- Rubbish, dog mess and shabby buildings.
- Lack of facilities e.g. bus to Truro; swimming pool; gym open all day; community centre.
- Constant threat of overdevelopment.
- The amount of holiday homes in the older part of town, and the fact that they are about to alter them so much that they are completely out of character and in some cases knock them down and rebuild huge eyesores.
- Having to travel for many services. huge variance of property prices.
- Lack of a nearby supermarket. Cost of parking for residents and town workers. Excessive traffic through the town in summer. Vested interests.
- Empty houses in town - lack of ethnic social mix.
- So few disabled parking spaces. Cost of parking.
- The lack of jobs and parking for local in the holiday period. The continual expansion of Fowey housing towards fore turnings
- The fear that developers will ultimately prevail and we will be left lamenting what we could have saved.
- Seeing facilities and services closed or under threat.

- Characteristics described in Q25 changing, becoming more of a resort, exasperated by increase in second home owners.
- New developments stripping away our unique character.
- The hostile and selfish attitude of some commercial holiday home owners to full time residents.
- High prices in town shops, people buying up new houses to rent for profit, dangerous Passage Lane, the yellow trolley ride that cheapens Fowey's pleasantness.
- Lack of progress and focus on future. The children need more to do, we need a community centre, a public pool and to prioritise the needs of the young families and teenagers.

## **27. How would you sum up what the character of Fowey means to you?**

### **What would you miss the most if it were to disappear?:**

#### **Comments:**

- Views to the river from Espalanade, Dagland Hanson Drive. Planning needs to ensure the views remain as a priority. Access to the water - slipways -steps to beach and foreshore.
- Always meeting someone I know when walking. St Catharine's Parade, Rashleigh and Lankelly lanes as country lanes.
- The character of Fowey now is fragmented into various groups. The few that live and work here. The locals that can't afford to like here but work here. The Blow Ins that think they can make "little ???" when they live here. I fear the friendly happy place of 10 years ago even has gone and we are just another seaside town with empty blind homes most of the year.
- Fowey's greatest asset is its range of activities (social, sporting, cultural), and the fact that it still a proper community of different people from different backgrounds. Would miss clubs, church, post office, access to river, clean beaches and footpaths with views.
- Active harbour. Fowey Regetta week. Free car park. Small independent bakeries.
- I am so very lucky to be living in such a beautiful place.
- A unique setting in a glorious conservation area and the ability to shop for daily requirements locally.
- People are very friendly and always appear happy regardless of their circumstances. Without this Fowey would not be Fowey.
- The medieval atmosphere (fast being eroded unfortunately).
- The friendliness of the people and the sense of community spirit. Also the atmosphere of peace with so little traffic (except for a few weeks in the summer).
- The character of Fowey is lovely - I would miss everything about it.
- The ancient traditions and beauty of the Estuary. Any more building would gradually erode this. Du Maurier Drive and the building on Ready Money car park should not have been allowed to go ahead.
- It's maritime history can never be taken away. Thank goodness. It's character is eroded by removal of historic buildings such as (use of)Butter Market, demolition of Station House. Think it's sad that it is a playground and it's integrity is slipping away. But I don't know how it could be reversed.
- A safe, beautiful and unspoilt place is which to live and bring up a family. We would miss its beauty, peacefulness and small town quaintness - all that make Fowey so special.
- The character and friendliness of Fowey is special. There is still an attitude of helpfulness missing up-country.
- I would be concerned that an almost satellite town would be created on the approach to Fowey which is beautifully rural. This can be seen in so many other towns ie Port Isaac, Padstow, Newquay, Penzance - to name a few. Fowey is unique and must be preserved as much as possible - this is not solely the town itself but the surroundings also.
- Primarily an up-market spoilt town with very little community spirit any more.
- Historically interesting and small harbour setting with glorious surrounding countryside and coastline. I would miss the small scale feel of Fowey if it was to disappear.
- The views and Ready Money beach would be missed. Unfortunately Fowey seems to be now split in 3, the very rich at the bottom, the well off in Hill Hay Close area and the poor stuck in between and it's a shame that Fowey has developed this structure.
- My home - it's mine. My first home for me and my son future. Someone said to me to remember how to say Fowey - think of joy - and Fowey has that. It always has something going on for the locals.
- It's my home - if it went I'd be homeless.

- An "upmarket" small holiday town with characterful narrow streets, great views and the river for leisure activities.
- A friendly town, history, a working town. Generations who have lived and worked here. Their mark is on the town.
- Unique and characterful - I would miss the sense of community and appearance of original buildings. Local people, restriction on numbers of second/holiday home lets.
- A quiet life in a picturesque setting with a friendly active community. Access to the walks and views on our doorstep.
- Friendly, knowing who your neighbour is.
- The character of Fowey is represented by its natural ability to bring together young and old. Its separation from the everyday, commercial world of the high street, for me represents its eternal charm. If this were lost it would be tragic.
- More and more opportunities to view countryside disappearing due to house building. Character of old buildings damaged by installation of glass and stainless steel balconies etc. Better market changed from ancient public space to ugly commercial property.
- Small and fun character where people know and recognise each other in the street. A place of outstanding beauty. I would miss the small town/village feel if it were to disappear.
- An area of outstanding natural beauty which should be preserved at all cost.
- Unchanging but ever new. Community becoming undermined. Empty houses and out of town investors.
- Localisation of shops and facilities means there is a specific Fowey "culture" and atmosphere.
- I enjoy the rural aspect and ease to be able to enjoy local walks e.g. the Parade, Love Lane, Alldays field, Covington Woods, coastpath etc.
- Small 'living' Cornish town in spectacular setting. Loss of historical character and views.
- Miss most - water/harbour views/watching boats come and go. Surround many fields and green spaces.
- People of Fowey are very proactive to keep town buzzing.
- Saying good morning to everyone you pass on the street. Looking out for our elderly residents. Seeing young families growing up and being part of it.
- Fowey is very special as it is. Bad taste, greed and over development will spoil it for future generations if allowed.
- Waterborne activities. Walking in AONB - coast. Open views. Beautiful approaches to Fowey. Relative peace. Size of town. Sense of community.
- Lovely local shops and quaint streets. I would miss the only remaining bank and fishing boats going in and out of the harbour. Also, the china clay boats and tugs.
- Friendly community, spectacular location, good tourist draw, good mix of shops/restaurants/galleries, excellent events - xmas market, Regatta, Du Maurier Week.
- The people who live in Fowey may not all agree, but I feel they are united in their wish to see Fowey thrive and retain its unique identity. When people stop caring, Fowey will lose its heart.
- The individually owned businesses add to the unique ambience of the town. The celebration of art and culture with the Du Maurier Festival and the Art Trail make it a special place.
- It means my life, the joy that makes each day worth living, I love it all, every inch and I miss everything that changes; the shops, banks, post office - the closing of the fish shop in Fore Street is the latest blow. I would miss the news, the green spaces, the ferries, trees, historic buildings and most certainly the library, most important and I couldn't manage without the bus service, particularly the town bus.
- I think the character has gone from Fowey with the influx of people with loads of money. they don't tend to care about the locals.
- All of it! Beautiful, convenient, historic.
- Traditional natural beauty
- Fowey is a vibrant working port. Would miss the community feeling if I left.
- A lot being born here, and all the family, miss the character of any part such as Town Hall which needs a lift, Town Quay, any access to beaches or water Covington Woods, where I lived top of next to Golf Course, and Allday Fields, the last two cannot ever disappear!
- Difficult. I think how the area looks would be top - the space/greenery and the historical/old buildings.

- Fowey has changed vastly in 30 years but still has some of the character and charm of the 80's. It is very beautiful. I would miss the views if I left.
- The long term residents of Fowey and the real "town" atmosphere. Cheap tourist attractions, food outlets and shops must be avoided.
- We have only recently moved to Fowey and have been bowled over by the friendly welcome and sense of community which helped us settle in.
- It means peace, tranquility, safety, conversation, beauty and wonderful characters. It is unique. It disappears, we disappear!
- The elements that make it an attractive place to come to. The natural environment assets that tourism depends on must not be comprised must not be damaged.
- Strong local community - all year round town - local (not chain) shops and services - Regatta Week. It would become just another shabby seaside town, no different to any other.
- Fowey is a picturesque village, ancient and modern sites side by side. Interaction between locals and in-comers good. I would miss the community spirit.
- A lack of a sense of neighbourliness and community - as more people do not live more permanently in the Parish.
- I don't think the character of Fowey will disappear because of the harbour. I started sailing in Fowey in 1950 and that is a treasured character. I drove the streets in 1960s, two way traffic!!! great.
- Heritage estuary/seaside town with independent traders.
- It is unique and not too commercial in its shops. It is still a town of community, even though it struggles to retain that, with so many second homes.
- Friendliness of people, small shops and restaurants closure of butchers, fishmongers
- community space access to beaches water front, space for local - local community
- This is a bountiful historic town which attracts a lot of visitors would miss the views and people
- Fowey is a complete town with an eclectic mix of people, social engineering through excessive development would interfere with this.
- Fowey is a maritime port with outstanding natural beauty and full of wildlife. I would miss the trees if cut down (it is happening) for housing, etc. I am missing our community gym - I now have to drive 16 miles to Bodmin and back RIDICULOUS ALAT!
- The character of Fowey has already disappeared. Fields have become building sizes and car parks. The town quay taken over by publicans/restaurant. No Buttermarket.
- Loss of young people because of lack employment and unaffordable housing. 2. Views 3. The number of permanent residents who contribute towards the community.
- Pride in community and history.
- Friendly community atmosphere. Safe to walk the streets.
- Its village atmosphere.
- A better, more relaxed way of life than the life we had before we moved here.
- Strong community but if it got too big this would dilute what we have
- The character of Fowey is highly important - the old town, the ancient buildings and history, the small town feel. I would hate for the green community areas to disappear (Squires, the Parade). The river/harbour is the biggest asset.
- Small and beautiful old fashioned yet lively. The quirky yet refined (but not staid) feel. A gentle town - with friendly welcoming people.
- It is already being ruined by too many characterless houses and too many steel and glass extensions to the existing houses.
- The charm and offering. Even at the age of 31 I appreciate all of Fowey's offerings and location. It would be devastating to see dramatic changes take place.
- Its charm and antiquity; its quaint old narrow streets; the 12 month of year community with so many opportunities for activities, clubs, sailing, gig rowing - anything! There is something for everybody in Fowey whatever age or background. It is socially inclusive and its variety of inhabitants all look out after each other. What would I miss? As a gig rower vet, I should hate to be without the sea or the gigs.
- I would say Fowey is a picture postcard. I would miss the view.

- The Quay area and water-based activities and the community organised events like the Fowey Festival and the Regatta. The town centre and water should remain the focus for Fowey and continue to bring in tourists.
- Most miss community feel if Fowey was over developed. Scenery and wildlife.
- Born here and it will always be my 'home'. I would miss the quaint streets and friendly shopkeepers and all the harbour activities.
- The charm, the ambience, the natural beauty and the knowledge that Fowey is a working town and should not be allowed to become moribund or a seasonal haven, overtaking the heart of the town.
- Traditional shops are a part of the town. It is important to encourage local business and not global corporate ones - i.e. no Starbuck/Costa! It would be a sad day if one opened here. Also, the views on the east side of the river are amazing. Development of the fields would be a backward effect on the town.
- The historic buildings set in an unspoiled environment.
- Community is unique. It would be a real shame for it to go.
- Vibrant lively sea going community. Commercial sea activities - china clay shop repair and fishing.
- The character of Fowey is its traditional charm. Now it's all about money, and the small independent shops cannot afford the ridiculously high rents. Chains of shops in such a small, compact town is proving to be a disaster.
- lively therefore vibrant all year round. b) a lack of a community in the winter.
- The locals are the character of Fowey. It would be a shame for them to be forced out due to climbing property prices.
- Despite growth it has a feeling of community and smallness.
- It means home (joyous, beautiful); the monetary pines all falling or being chopped down; local people being uprooted because of lack of affordable housing.
- Fowey has been part of our lives, all our lives. The sense of community is huge and all visitors/tourists we talk to envy our situation.
- The SMALL town status where most people are happy to help, and care about their environment. The unique little shops. The clean water front/river/sea. Boating and sailing environment.
- Character: a desirable, sophisticated, relaxed town with community and tourism at its heart.
- Fowey is an historic Cornish seafaring town set in a most naturally beautiful river estuary. Anything which detracts from the natural beauty of the p[lace is what I would hate most should it disappear or be "spoilt". I would miss it most and would probably leave.
- Tranquillity, peace, marine activity, good people. b) If Fowey ceased to be a living community and descended into another twee holiday/second home venue.
- Since the development at Hill Hay the town has become more "urban" and divided (us and they attitude/ by a lot of the residents)
- Beautiful place where we are lucky to live with friendly and polite local, Cornish people.
- The community neighbourhood spirit is fast disappearing due to second homes and the closure of local amenities due to local restrictions.
- A local community which is friendly and of all ages. Gradually disappearing as young people move out of town.
- The olde worldly character. Its vibrant diverse working community that makes it a joy to both work and live within. What I would miss the most if it were to disappear? All that makes Fowey so attractive to visitors and our resident community.
- It has a good mixture of commercial trade, makeup of shops and ethos of Fowey balanced unlike purely holiday places like St Mawes or Salcombe and I would miss very much if the balance changed. Also think the traditional town centre provides a focus.
- Fowey is a great town. The amount of visitors can be a bit of a pain sometimes but Fowey could not survive without tourism. I think the thing I would miss the most is access to all our lovely walks.
- It has been my home all my life. We have lived in the same house for forty years. I am Cornish. If you let modern ideas about construction and also allow now the fashion. Change the appearance of Fowey. And not allow money costs of appeals against your decisions. Change you mind! (?)
- I don't think it has character any more, it's been lost to holiday homes etc. I would miss the river, trees, views and my friends.

- Fowey is like a large family, it wraps itself around you. If you are ill people rally round. The church community is amazing. All the people who work for the harbour or the council are pleasant. I would miss love and generosity of feeling if Fowey changed.
- A pretty, characterful, coastal town. A welcoming community. The beautiful unspoilt estuary views.
- All year round community. 'Balanced tourism' - income without desolation or wholesale winter closures. Views, history and peace and quiet but a lively parish.
- Freedom, beauty and peace. I would miss the most Bookends of Fowey, but also other businesses (like the antique shops, the Literary Centre, the mini market, all the clothes shops, Quay bakery etc etc).
- Generally unchanged since 1950s except town streets are one way. Keep the Victorian look. Keep the present level of traffic through the town. Provide residents only parking areas.
- Its history reflected in its current structure. The beauty of its immediate surroundings i.e. river/fields/woodland/coastline. If we ingress too much onto these sites, then this beauty will be jeopardised. Tourists do not travel here to see more housing estates such as they have at home.
- It's an amazing escape from the stresses and strifes of working in the city where all anxieties and cares lift as soon as you drive into Fowey. We want for very little when we are here. In fact I will ensure that we do as much shopping here as we possibly can (food, clothes or otherwise) rather than do this back in the city. This is down to the high quality of goods on offer in the town which we wish to support.
- Fowey is unique. The commercial side of the port e.g. clay industry has had a large influence on its structure and population. Eventually the culture will change as it becomes more an overspill town for the overpopulated areas of England.
- Small but still alive. The special feel of it. Hard to put into words.
- Strong sense of maritime history, reflected in the current spread of employment opportunities, long may it remain a working harbour: Clay boats, fishing especially.
- A lively, small town with stunning natural environment which lifts the soul! Provision shops disappearing would be a disaster for the atmosphere of a living town.
- Street cleaner! who I know by name.
- I already miss the train connection/station (from years ago)! The wooded estuary; the adjacent coastline, the walks. The historical buildings, the attractive streets, the sailing and all that goes with it (regatta), the surrounding farmland, the local people, the pubs/restaurants, voluntary organisations, putting on plays, festivals etc.
- Very special place. Feel privileged to live and work here. I would miss my job if the library was to close.
- Quaint and fairly unspoilt. would miss any great change to buildings in town centre.
- A beautiful, unique, sophisticated, entrepreneurial mix of people. Not bucket and spade. Supports cultural and artisan lifestyles.
- Sense of community, supports social mix. The town is always changing but we now seem to be losing its heart again. The value of property make the town an investment for some and a hurdle for others. The young people need to feel valued and so do the old
- Natural beauty and rich history. I would miss the china clay shipping (already sadly declined) which gives Fowey a special character
- I think Fowey is unique. We do not live here full time sadly but the people are fantastic, there is so much community spirit and always things to do, see in the town that its residents have worked hard to put together.
- As a home town it is traditional but very practical and easy to live in with a high percentage of local, independent and super-helpful traders. I would most miss the bus service if lost entirely or reduced below current frequency.
- Fowey is still a 'living' town. That feature is at risk given the number of second homes in prime locations that remain empty for so much of the year. The rural location. The higgledy nature of the housing. The fields that have not yet been built on by Wain Homes. We don't have much 'ribbon' development but the way Hill Hay is developing it is beginning to look like that.
- I feel immensely proud of this town and its people. We are all extremely lucky to live in such a beautiful part of Cornwall. I would massively miss the treeline (I know some had to be felled but I fully support new scots pines being planted), I would hate original buildings to be over developed, and for any more independent shops to disappear / be taken over by chains.

- It needs to be able to keep true local people here. By local I mean someone who has been brought up from childhood here. Not someone who has lived in the parish for 2yrs.
- Historic sea port and town - tucked away, attractive coastal landscape.
- I think that Fowey has lost most of its character the sense of community and cohesive nature of the town disappeared about 25 years ago sadly. This has been caused by the loss of business, shops and the reduction of activity by IMERYS turning the port into a leisure facility from a working post.
- Fowey is a small town full of outstanding areas of natural beauty - spreading sprawling metropolis would ruin it to make Par
- Old, narrow and friendly. I would miss independent, small businesses and buildings with history and character.
- Vibrant. Friendly. Good community feel.
- Charming and real, disappearing as becoming diluted with too many non-permanent residents.
- Quaint, quintessentially Cornish sea side town
- Independent Shops in the centre – the Library and banks will close, but it is possible to adapt – Post Office counter in the Mace; Police Office in the Town Hall.
- I can trace my ancestors in Fowey back to 1814 and I have spent much of my early life in the parish. I feel at home in the town as it brings back happy childhood memories as much has remained untarnished over the years. Tinkering with the old town would be a mistake.
- It's my heritage, and it won't disappear.
- For me it's all about community spirit, I love that my family have been here for generations so I guess I want progress without losing sight of the past.
- Sense of historic identity
- Friendly picturesque small town. Would miss the view walking down the hill.
- The character of Fowey has already gone. I miss common respect amongst the residents, the harbour views, due to extra car parks and buildings, and meeting local friends in the town doing their shopping.
- Fowey is special and having the river and sea on 2 sides means development is limited to expansion. Becoming too large would lose its appeal.

## **29. Which activities would you like to see available at a Community Hall?:**

### **Comments:**

- Make more use of the school
- I'm not sure it would be utilised properly.
- Youth club.
- A mix of all the above.
- The last two could be in the library (Welfare rights and debt advice and helping people into work.
- Café/bar.
- Should not compete with existing facilities ie library, sports centre and playgroup.
- Let's hope the old bowling club will become a community centre for the community - as it could provide an opportunity for many ventures. That's a waiting game.
- Things should not be put on here to the detriment of the Library and Town Hall. Other: dances - ceilidh, folk, barn for all ages.
- All as required for local residents
- Any of these if such a hall is really needed - not by me but families presumably.
- Activities for teenagers
- Women's Section British Legion: WI other various organised evenings etc. in the town.
- Do not agree with "doubling up" the facilities the library provides
- Cinema/films. Things I would like to see does not mean I would use them personally.
- Multitude of clubs - gardening, bridge, Fowey in Bloom.
- Farmers Market
- Sports & fitness, Activities for parents and pre-school, Crèche: Already provision at Leisure Centre
- Organisations such as Rainbows, Brownies and Guides
- Festival venue, place for parties
- All good things - but use the library or adapt their building - otherwise too many unused buildings - church hall, church, town hall, library

- All currently available in parish + use of library must be supported.
- Farmers market. Jumble sale. Craft sales. Auctions.
- How will the library fit in or survive?
- All these facilities exist already in the town.
- Bicycle maintenance, DIY - how to
- Private hire for parties, weddings etc.
- Film Club. The church and pre-school provide a lot of activities for children and young people, also the library. Library already provides welfare rights and debt advice.
- The existing school, fitness centre, library, town hall, church. Provide all this a community hall would fail and devalue the above.
- Some of the above already operate from the library. We would not like to see activities moved away to the detriment of the library. There is space to improve the current building. Q30. Routes would not be safe on any of the roads around here. Cycling is almost impossible. Use of the Imerys road. If permission were granted, would be a good start.
- Enlarged museum/tourist information service
- Library as I suspect we may lose ours
- Activities for older people at Windmill House. Sports hub: Sports and Fitness classes..
- We have a leisure centre, a one stop shop, a CAB and a job centre in St Austell. A community hall could not replicate their expertise, info available or range of skills.
- Extend and Utilise the school facilities and make them accessible to the community.
- Having our MP hold surgeries in the new community hall.....Question 30..should be able to vote against items 2 &3
- Access to police at a given time.

### **31. Which aspects of Fowey Parish do you value?**

**Please number your top three, (with 1being Highest).**

#### **Comments:**

- Natural beauty as it is now.
- Peace and quiet tranquillity, character/history and beauty (not rated).
- Peacefulness
- I value all of them
- But ALL are valued highly
- All these aspects make Fowey what it is so impossible to choose!
- Fowey itself
- All of it is valued very highly by us.
- Peace.
- This was a difficult question because we both value all of the aspects listed above.
- Tough to make us choose only three!
- I find these really difficult to choose. A historic landscape such as ours in the AONB is achieved by the seamless integration of all those things. We are extraordinarily fortunate. We should safeguard it.
- River views from around the parish need to remain e.g. Hanson Drive. If high-rise buildings went up to spoil these views from the hills it would really spoil the ambiance of the parish
- Place House and grounds
- The fact that there are NO wind turbines, .....and why only 3 choices for Q31?
- Peace and quiet at night.

### **34. If you oppose more wind turbines, please set out your reasons for this?:**

#### **Comments:**

- No need to have them in AONB. 2) No need to have them in Residential Areas. 3) Power supply in intermittent. 4) Huge visual impact on a large area. Having worked in the Renewable Energy Industry constructing wind turbines and having knowledge of the efficiency of wind farms - "They do not work". We have been fooled by the Green propaganda.
- It has not been proven that they are cost effective - tide and solar power more important and need more support.

- Return on investment vs harm to visual environment.
- Over 40m high is too obtrusive in the landscape.
- There are already two in Golant wanting to be removed, and too many, driving further west, many of which are not moving a lot of the time.
- They would spoil forever this area of outstanding natural beauty and have a disastrous effect on the tourist trade which is so important.
- A blot on the landscape with questionable benefit.
- Unreliable. Backup power equipment (did generate) is needed where there is no or too much wind. This equipment lies idle when the turbine work. Expensive and destroy our beautiful countryside.
- Expensive to produce/maintain/replace. Large carbon footprint in their construction. \* Minimal predictable contribution to grid. \* Noisy, unsightly and damaging to birds.
- The beauty of Fowey is its NATURAL landscape.
- As they need to be exposed sites they will be a "blot on the landscape". As we are on a tidal river would it not been possible to harness the power of the tide?
- Not economic.
- Have no objection if sited in fairly remote areas or close to main roads.
- Erosion of the beauty of the landscape. Noise. Ineffective production of energy.
- FINANCIAL OPPORTUNITY dressed up as 'saving the planet' which is slowly but surely ruining the beautiful Cornish landscape.
- Can't decide - I hear pro's and con's re. cost and efficiency.
- They don't work (not profitable) and a blot on the landscape noisy.
- Just one turbine blights a view for miles around - just drive along the A30 to see what I mean.
- Negative impact far outweighs any possible benefits to an area of outstanding natural beauty. AONBs are an irreplaceable and dwindling natural resource that help make Fowey unique.
- Yes - ugly, noisy and distracting whilst driving, and a danger to wildlife.
- Power production is extremely haphazard depending upon weather conditions and never produce the designed output apart from brief moments. They are also extremely ugly in our beautiful landscape.
- I do oppose wind turbines, I think they are a waste of money and the cause of a lot of bird deaths.
- As the whole area is AONB having anything either high or low that is visible from most locations is unacceptable as it infringes on the AONB.
- Wind turbines change the landscape which I consider a bad idea.
- Not in keeping with this environ.
- We have the technology to use wave energy and that is less visually invasive.
- They disturb the landscape, they are ugly if they are not sited away from the town. There is a place for them and that is out of sight.
- They are an environmental eyesore and an economic nonsense. They are an excuse for landowners to get rich at the public's expense without real benefit to the public.
- The sound as they whirl around. There are only a few places where you get a reliable wind.
- Under 40m is generally an affordable scheme that a local farmer or landowner can self-finance to support and sustain his/her business and land use. We do not need commercially driven/finance large turbines in this AONB landscape - there are plenty more sites elsewhere with less environmental impact.
- It's a fact that if it's too windy they can't be used and no wind they're powered, not to mention the unsightliness of them.
- Don't know enough to comment.
- I think that wind turbines are inevitable and unavoidable, but surely we can offer some perspective on what is acceptable in terms of size - Small, Yes, Enormous, No!
- Reason one refer to previous page (AONB). This area depends more and more on tourism which we would destroy with industrial structures that are overwhelming Cornwall already.
- We oppose the massive structures that are currently appearing on the skyline.
- A blight on the landscape and can affect people with autism and epilepsy.
- All sizes too intrusive/amount of concrete and infrastructure required to put it up - destroys areas. Noise. Bird/bat strikes. Only work when wind blows. Also, seen them NOT turning even when windy! Pointless!

- There are already too many wind turbines in Cornwall. Fowey Parish landscape would simply be ruined.
- They are noisy, ugly, intrusive and do not provide sufficient energy to be efficient and worthwhile in comparison to the negative impact on the countryside/local environment.
- Visual impact on AONB and heritage sites - inefficient land use. Intermittent output does not justify their use. The case for them shows "scientific illiteracy". This is now being acknowledged at government level.
- They're obtrusive. Small turbines may be acceptable in the right environment.
- Cornwall is being run over by wind turbines, so many of which sit idle! Solar farms a more pleasing option.
- I believe that more would be detrimental to the beauty of the countryside - there seems to be too many already but I am not knowledgeable enough to know how much value they provide for the community - but no in Fowey PLEASE.
- Don't really oppose and quite like the odd one "under 40m" but the noise from a field of them would be hard to support.
- I am not sure what 40m looks like, but would support individual shorter turbines - e.g. one per owner on a farm i.e. the shortest
- Fowey's lifeblood is its visitors, if the landscape is blotted it becomes less idyllic and attractive and more like everywhere else.
- Their carbon footprint in manufacture, installation and lubrication is unacceptable. They only work on average for 21% of the time. The energy produced is very costly and paid for by the people whose environment is ruined by them. The acoustic damage found is now documented and very severe in the long term as is flicker.
- I have already objected to these on numerous applications within the SPECIFIC areas that council. Unsightly, damage area of AONB because they can be easily seen from all aspects of landscape, sea and land and detract from public pleasure and amenity.
- I support Fowey having turbines - there aren't any so the use of "where" in this question is odd. Climate change is the greatest threat to be tackled and energy security and producing electricity locally can contribute to both. This Q34 is an inherently biased phrasing of the question.
- Intermittent energy supply. Bird strike. View.
- There are none at the moment, but i have no objection to small turbines - we need renewable energy.
- Be good if able to be used e.g. a turbine of less than 40m for domestic use on farms
- We do oppose tall wind turbines but small ones can be unintrusive and even aesthetically pleasing in the right place.
- It would spoil the views of the beautiful countryside and coastline, this is what makes this area so idyllic and popular.
- At present it isn't proven that they are justified - what if the wind doesn't flow?
- Obstruct view unless small. They are of limited value, future of solar and ground source heat more viable.
- Large turbines would have impact on new and character of estuary
- They are ugly - They are not very efficient 2) They would ruin Fowey as holiday destination Cornwall already has more than its fair share.
- It has been proven that turbines don't produce the amount of electricity as originally thought.
- we feel wind power is less effective than solar power but could be convinced.
- We live in a beautiful area dependent on tourism and they are a blot on the landscape and noisy if you live near them.
- Can only work when it blows. Ugly. Shadow casting. Danger to bats and birds.
- The negative ecological impact they have on environment and adverse impact on character and amenity of landscape.
- The Government targets are unrealistic. Wind power will only ever supply a small fraction of our energy needs. Only oil, coal power stations and nuclear energy can do that.
- New developments must use every opportunity to deliver high energy efficiency, use renewable resources and facilitate the efficient use of water but care must be taken to avoid eye sores.
- Not viable without excessive subsidies. Intermittent energy.

- Large wind turbines totally spoil the rare beauty. Smaller ones need to be well tucked away from general view.
- I would only oppose large (over 40m high) due to the sheer scale of them. I 100% back renewable energy otherwise.
- Area of beauty which should be cherished and not destroyed. Tourism must be encouraged; wind turbines are definitely a blot on the skyline and distract from our beautiful countryside.
- Ugly and noisy. They look out of place in our lovely town.
- We don't oppose, but Cornwall has more than its fair share compared to other counties. A more coordinated approach would be helpful.
- Fowey is so popular because of its beauty and I feel turbines would ruin this and have a negative effect on the town.
- Unsightly - ruins our beautiful countryside - adverse effect on tourism and our own appreciation of our countryside. Thousands of extra wind turbines would not solve all our looming energy problems.
- They are a blot on the wonderful landscape. They take energy to run and more often than not are not in use. Sometimes the grid cannot take the energy they create.
- As a whole, Cornwall has already got its fair share of windfarms, many of which do not appear to be in use. A small individual turbine would be more acceptable.
- They are ugly. Expensive to build and maintain. Becoming unpopular and out of date.
- Doubts about effectiveness and use of toxic materials, concrete etc.
- They are ugly 2. They are not cost efficient 3. They are not necessarily ecological - how long will they last and how will they be disposed of at the end of their lives 4. They make too much money for a few and noisy.
- Its' Ok if Wind turbines are in the right places. In fields away from houses, but not near homes and schools etc.
- I am not convinced of their benefits despite all the hype.
- Wrong type of landscape they would totally dominate not blend. Financial benefits for community unproven, grant for farmers (£) but no one else.
- They disturb birds and wildlife. They ruin the views and peace in Fowey.
- Solar power more efficient.
- If you had put a don't know that would have got my tick. Issues about noise and vibration.
- They should be grouped together neatly, not spread out randomly as they are on the north coast. They should be off shore. they are no longer financially viable as subsidies have ended.
- Small turbines yes definitely. Large turbines to be located out of beauty view points and farming fields.
- They do not produce a steady supply of electricity like tidal turbines would, but a limited number carefully sited may be acceptable.
- Basically these units have proved to be chocolate teapots on poles with unrealistic subsidies. Anti-nuclear lobby has compromised carbon free energy production.
- Fowey is in an area of outstanding natural beauty. Wind turbines in my view are a lot on the landscape and would spoil the very thing Fowey means to so many people old young and yet to be born.
- Didn't think the local grid could cope with more sustainable energy. High maintenance costs.
- Because the turbines more it is impossible to ignore them if they're not moving as often they're not doing their job the cost of erecting them exceeds the power they produce in most cases
- They are useless at providing constant power, need back up diesel generators which you've paid USA for, coal fired stations have to be kept running just in case, rare earth materials mainly from China's open cast mines are polluting major rivers there, and our carbon footprint is being falsely kept down by having our products made in China and India where everything is coal fired to produce energy.
- Significant negative landscape impact. Other forms of renewable energy are more effective with lower intrusion
- They ruin every beautiful view we have!

### **35. If you oppose more solar farms, please set out your reasons for this?:**

#### **Comments:**

- We have enough already within the local area.

- I am in agreement for solar farms at ground level (ie. not on roofs) But see points 1 and 2 above aka "NIMBY"!
- Blot on the landscape: more thought should be about sustainable buildings needing less energy.
- Greenfield field solar farm waste an important asset - farms and green places.
- The greenfield/farming fields/landscape would be ruined visually by large scale solar panels - looking like plastic-covered fields in Europe where food is grown under plastic on south facing slopes.
- Drive out beyond Luxulyan and see how many green fields are now covered with solar panels, owned by foreign companies, Fowey does not want this.
- Bad use of land space - put homes, work space or crops there. Strongly disagree with solar farms on gorgeous green fields use roofs/agriculture buildings.
- They would spoil forever this area of outstanding natural beauty and have a disastrous effect on the tourist trade which is so important.
- Questionable benefits and totally ruin the look of the landscape. The cost of subsidies paid to the renewable energy businesses.
- Expensive and Intrusive. Destroy our countryside and good farming land.
- The beauty of Fowey is its NATURAL landscape.
- From ones that I have seen they are intrusive in an area of outstanding beauty.
- Feel there are enough roof spaces which can be used without turning over base acreages which blight the landscape.
- They are ugly, unnatural and often inefficient.
- FINANCIAL OPPORTUNITY dressed up as 'saving the planet' which is slowly but surely ruining the beautiful Cornish landscape. When you visit other parts of the country you do not see the countryside littered in turbines as you do in Cornwall.
- Can't decide - I hear pro's and con's re. cost and efficiency.
- Inappropriate use of farm land and unsightly.
- Need to be done/sites well.
- Negative impact far outweighs any possible benefits to an area of outstanding natural beauty. AONBs are an irreplaceable and dwindling natural resource that help make Fowey unique.
- Whilst they are less damaging to the environment than wind turbines, they use valuable agricultural land, which farmers say cannot be used for animals or of course arable.
- Along with turbines solar farms are also visible and NOT appropriate in an area of AONB.
- I prefer to see farms with animals or crops - solar panels on farm buildings would be fine.
- A blight on the countryside and a misuse of agricultural land which is needed to produce food for the people.
- They must be controlled not fields and fields of panels - find British manufacturers.
- Unsightly and would ruin Fowey
- I think it is a fad and too consumptive of valuable open space.
- Seems to be a waste of land when solar panels could be placed on existing buildings.
- Blot on the landscape - black fields.
- Opposed when they change use of agricultural land
- Using valuable agricultural land for growing crops, running cattle etc. Agree with solar panels on building as not taking up land or parking areas. Brownfield sites can be used for building homes.
- If solar panels on roofs of domestic buildings in Fowey town were covered in them, this would look horrible and spoil the town. In new build houses, such as Hill Hay, these would be acceptable.
- They will just spoil the countryside and lovely green fields.
- Brownfield sites are needed for housing/commercial industrial use. Unaware of any suitable south facing brownfield sites available in Fowey.
- I wish the government would make it compulsory for "new builds" to have solar panel on roofs. Leave land free for food production, housing IF necessary and leisure.
- Only that they are usually unsightly and cover what should be green or agricultural land. Bushes and greenery ( low growing) might help - but please not in Fowey itself.
- Same as wind energy, I am not sure of the benefits.
- I think panels are wonderful and better on barn roofs and other industrial buildings. I worry that prime agricultural land is being taken.

- Fowey's lifeblood is its visitors, if the landscape is blotted it becomes less idyllic and attractive and more like everywhere else.
- They must not be visible from public highways.
- Very ugly - unnecessarily so. No reason why new solar tiling could not be introduced to small dwellings on a small scale.
- I have already objected to these on numerous applications within the SPECIFIC areas that council. Unsightly, damage area of AONB because they can be easily seen from all aspects of landscape, sea and land and detract from public pleasure and amenity. Destruction of green space. Just more metal/glass/plastic/concrete etc despoiling the green environment.
- It makes sense for solar panels to be places on existing buildings and over car parks to afford dual usage of land rather than on green field sites.
- There are more than sufficient brown field and roof top sites to make green field occupation unnecessary.
- Because solar PV subsidies should create detailed energy resilience for individual households not large subsidies to landowners.
- I don't know of any solar farms in Fowey. There are some panels against the hedge of a farm which I agree with.
- Solar panels can be on roofs and land can be used for agriculture
- The thought of land being covered by solar panels is distressing.
- We need farm land to farm - with a growing population - we need more food.
- ugly rely on government subsidies
- Do not support this is a rural town not an urban town
- Only oppose them on green fields due to loss of productive land and within conservation areas as an intrusive and alien appearance.
- The countryside is no longer green. Cornwall seems to have a very large area already covered with solar panels.
- They take up a lot of space often green field and this is at a premium in Fowey and could be used in other ways if available.
- They destroy wildlife habitat, look ugly and do not benefit the local community.
- There is already a large area on the outskirts of Fowey.
- Ugly. What happens to wildlife? What happens to soil? Glare.
- Adverse impact of landscape character and visual amenity.
- Complete eyesore in the countryside and should be placed on commercial buildings
- The land should be used for food production since this country is not self-sufficient in food production.
- I don't oppose them but neither can I say I support them!
- Very unsightly, harmful to small wildlife, always seem to be on a large scale, so have a huge impact on the beauty of landscape.
- There is little farmland left in Fowey due to housing developments so the rest should be preserved.
- Unsightly - ruins our beautiful countryside - adverse effect on tourism and our own appreciation of our countryside.
- Wasted space and effort for the amount of energy they produce. Spoiling beautiful fields.
- Hideous on home roofs.
- There are lots of roofs which could have solar panels without putting in solar farms.
- Ground mounted panels are okay so long as they cannot be seen by anyone e.g. surrounded by a hedge of trees.
- Desecration of countryside and loss of good farming land = ruination of scenic countryside visitors come to see.
- The rolling field landscape needs to be preserved as the views are unique.
- Despite the revenue generated I still believe they are an invasive species especially in countryside locations.
- Limited solar schemes well sited are ok.
- Like to see fields with livestock in. Will spoil Fowey's character.
- Not clear where they can be built. They do occupy large spaces!

- Only if they are inconspicuous to people living in and around Fowey and not within areas of outstanding natural beauty.
- Unsightly. My hope is that geothermal energy can be accessed in future.
- Aesthetically too large for a small town like Fowey.
- Even more ugly. Let them be sited in drab areas next to motorways.
- Visually polluting. 2) Grossly inefficient. 3) We are too far north for power production.
- Solar panels mounted on industrial roofs before fields.
- Hazardous to motorists when the sun shines off them into drivers eyes. Also look ugly.
- peak power is needed between 4-8 pm just as it's getting dark
- Not completely opposed but must be sited in discrete locations if at all.
- Cost vs. lifespan means they are not cost effective.
- They are less efficient than turbines, take up agricultural land so we import food instead by land, sea and air.
- Significant negative landscape impact. Other forms of renewable energy are more effective with lower intrusion

### **39. Further comments on your views about Renewable Energy in Fowey Parish:**

#### **Comments:**

- Small scale wind turbines to support local businesses and farming community. All new build to include solar power and energy efficient heating systems.
- I support renewable energy as a way promoting our environment in the future but in suitable areas. Not AONB, Not residential areas!
- Renewable energy is obviously an important issue for the world as a whole, but in this small parish we could not manage without the income from tourists who come because of the beauty of the place, which would be considerably marred by the introduction of uncontrolled increase by either windfarms or solar farms.
- Surely it was made clear by the hundreds of objections to the proposed turbine at Penhale/Newtown, that the local community does not want this, especially now as the feed in tariffs are dropping in value.
- A 50Kw turbine only produces enough power for approx. 30 homes, so with 1300 homes about 40 x50kw turbines needed. One on its own cannot do anything. The proposes have no idea how electricity works.
- A community led solar panel project would interest me if it helped people put them on their property.
- All new properties and roof replacements should have solar panels, e.g. all new properties on Hill Hay.
- Any of these proposals have to be designed and sited well. Ideally profits should be kept in public hands. The sun and wind belong to us all.
- Any small monetary gain from wind turbines and solar panels farms would be far outweighed by damage to the ancient charm of Fowey and its natural landscapes.
- Solar panels on individual homes are less obtrusive and damaging to the environment and can provide considerable help for renewable energy.
- As I live in Fowey because of its untouched beauty I do not support any idea of renewable energy in the parish.
- Not needed if less housing development in the area.
- I will support it being put up as long as it was risk and nuisance free. However I think the money would be better spent elsewhere like making the roads safe especially Polvillion Road as it's like a motorway some days.
- Unfortunately it is required, certainly for the future wellbeing of the population.
- It has to be done, for the next generation if we like it or not. I'd prefer wind turbines instead of black outs and cold nights.
- If the scenario was they every community had to have one then yes I would support it for community buildings. But any homes it effects to have free (?) or reduced costs to compensate.
- No wind turbines. The only person who profits is the farm or land owner, but they look terrible and damage the birds.

- I am surprised how much space has been allotted to this in the plan. People in Fowey and the Council, The AONB and English Heritage have clearly said NO.
- Community college/sports centre and other public buildings should make more use of ground sourced heat pumps and led lighting to reduce power usage.
- I guess that those of us located in the conservation area would not get permission to site solar panels on our roofs.
- We cannot duck this issue but we must ensure it is done with regard to Fowey's designation as an area of outstanding natural beauty.
- Unfortunately individual wind turbines only support a miniscule of energy needs, therefore 1 or 2 is no use at all. I could never support more than that either, unless in remote places, or out at sea.
- The community has been asked many times to express its views. The overwhelming view is against. Why keep asking?
- The major hurdle would be achieving consensus which is highly unlikely.
- Wind turbines are a waste of money and spoil the landscape. No more wind turbines please.
- If it profits the local community by all means yes!
- We think all new homes should have solar panels except where they would adversely affect the overall look of the area.
- Fowey should be a centre for development of visually acceptable green energy - i.e. tidal, local home insulation, domestic solar. Fowey's whole economy depends and will depend on people wanting to come for environmental reasons. to allow this to be visually destroyed would be culpable.
- It is most important for our future. We must get used to renewable energy for the future health of the planet. In future years people will think we were foolish to object to renewable energy!
- Would possibly support community wind turbine if a location could be found that would not spoil the views in the Parish.
- I can't for the life of me see that the community will get any benefit or returns in the way of bill reductions once it is connected to the grid.
- Dabbling in wind energy through a community investment should be left to energy companies who know what they are doing.
- Would need to be convinced but am not ruling it out.
- Renewable energy is very important but needs to be considered properly. When building new developments houses need to be placed in appropriate orientation for solar panels to be used on roofs to best effect. Ground source heat pumps should be considered for heating and hot water as well and are best put in during the development not after.
- It is needed and great if sustainable yet NIMBY will stop it as most would prefer in someone else's parish. Need to understand the local and greater community requirement if region sustainable from current waste to energy and Hinkly C project provide enough energy then don't provide more just to sell.
- This is a low priority for Fowey Parish at present.
- Fowey should be self-sufficient but it has to be whole community benefits with renewable energy not businesses or personal gain.
- We have come here to live because it is a beautiful place to live and work, please don't spoil it.
- What happened to plans for solar panels on Squires Field car park?
- The need for renewable energy cannot be ignored. It is now a fact of life and the main consideration is to meet future needs whilst considering the effect on the neighbourhood.
- This would be counter-productive as Fowey would lose generally pleasant ambience much loved by tourists. It would drive tourists away.
- There seems to be a lot of hostility towards wind turbines on portfounder. However, it is inevitable that they are needed and so I'd opt for fewer, larger turbines as they are individually good looking, but more is a crowd! Solar farms have their place but siting is vital due to the importance of views around.
- Provided it was 100% of ownership and profit. What about tidal, this is technically difficult but most logical for us.
- I totally accept we have to reduce our fossil fuel reliance and unfortunately this means difficult choices. It is inevitable that we will have to adopt turbines/solar PV +/- hydro electricity. I feel the best thing to do is adopt these with minimal visual intrusion to the area, allowing everyone in the

community an option to buy an equal share in the first instance with any refused shares distributed amongst interested residents in the second ballot.

- Obviously if renewable energy generation is forced upon us by central government it would be better to have community projects than private individuals to benefit.
- There should be a balance between benefits and environmental impact. Huge areas of ex-China Clay works could provide better locations.
- A community wind turbine will be value destroying for the local residents as the negative effects will far outweigh and profits generated for the community.
- Strongly no! As in my comment on this in Q34, the "community led" project is deceiving and short sighted, jumping onto the bandwagon of the renewables industry who have helped destroy property values and destroy landscapes in in too many locations in Cornwall, not to mention the rest of the UK. Let Fowey be known for breaking ground in the community in other ways, not allowing personal profit to disguise itself as environmental awareness.
- There is a good deal of NIMBYism about renewables, but we have lots of sunshine and wind, so should seek ways to harness these natural resources. Concentrating on encouraging less-intrusive designs rather than just saying "no" would be good. We have a road called WINDMILL and that edifice probably met with opposition at first.
- Given how rapidly the problems associated with the discernible effects of climate change have escalated in recent times I think that the town plan should take care not to close off options for the future of renewable energy locally. Canute and all that.
- Fowey needs to wake up and recognise that we are sleep walking into an environmental disaster. It may not affect most of the population of Fowey as they will be long gone before the real impact of global warming. All contributions made to ameliorate the effects should be considered.
- Too many wind turbines in the area already
- A lot of work has been done on this by Free and that group should be consulted as to the best solution.
- A community wind turbine would be a great idea but it depends where it is located and the possible impact it may have both visually and from a noise perspective
- Local Ownership, with low-cost local tariffs, Using local waste/ biofuel resources where possible – Consider Tidal schemes positively – if Commercial Shipping ceases, build a tidal stream / roadbridge across from Caffa Mill to Bodinnick ; reinstall mill stream at Bodmin Pill ; reinstall wind turbine at Windmill
- Most of Fowey Parish is 'AONB' and preserved, the use of residential 'PV's, Heat Pumps, Wood Chip Biomass systems should be encouraged enabling residents to conduct their own green energy solutions.

**40. If there are things which concern you about the future of Fowey parish which have not been mentioned in this Questionnaire, please use this space here to give your views:**

**Comments:**

- Concern over the amount of 2nd home refurbishment and change of use, particularly in the older parts of town. If Fowey wishes to retain the features that makes it an attractive place to live and for tourism and visitors great care needs to be taken by the town council in restricting planning including new housing development. Local authority housing is needed to support local families. The elderly and young people who need to remain a vibrant community rather than a 2nd home ghost town! 2nd home ownership is killing off Fowey. It is a ghost town out of season.
- I feel very protective of the Parade and All day fields, as they enable residents and visitors to access the coast with a few minutes walk. Part of the parade's attraction is the fields wither side. If there fields are developed, the Parade will become an ally with no views and no peace. Also - a few more dog poo bins would be helpful and a litter bin at bottom of Squires Field steps. Thank you.
- There are too many fudge, Pasty, and clothes shops in the town. Business rates and any other should be profitised to encourage a longer vanity of steps - We currently do not have a fish mongers or a fish & chips shop. How can this be? Quality restaurants should also be encouraged.
- It seems, at the present time, that the Planning Authorities do not have the resources to check on or to enforce planning decisions, whatever the Neighbourhood Plan is. Those individuals or groups that are more concerned for their own profit rather than for the well-being of the whole community, just

do what they want anyway and get retrospective planning permission as its too expensive for the planning authorities to challenge them. Thank for you for setting up the survey!

- Visitors are very important to Fowey as they support local shops and businesses, but they are NOT more important than local people, who live in the area full time and pay council tax to support the services used by visitors. Holiday/second homes have reached saturation and should now be restricted in favour of housing for local people. Give up on renewable energy, it's a waste of time and money and enough has already been wasted trying to bring this to the town, when it's obvious locals do not support it.
- With central government saying more new housing is urgently needed my comment on saying 'no more large edge of town' developments is not helpful. But the practical reality is that young people who are able to get a mortgage need to live near where the jobs are and those who need reasonably priced rental accommodation need good transport links and for them Fowey is not really going to fill that criteria. Maybe the Housing Association should look to buy houses to renovate and let to help alleviate some of the demand. Many properties here in Hill hay, Pentreath Close, are actually long term rentals as opposed to privately owned/mortgaged or holiday lets.
- In the conservation area, there are quite regularly planning limitations on changes that can alter the appearance and character of a property. However there is nothing to prevent a developer razing the property, cleaning the site, and building something totally out of character. E.g. St Fairbanes at Hamm Drive. If Fowey needs tourism then we must keep its appearance and character. 2) Why are there 7 questions on renewable energy (out of 40)? Apart from a few interests, there is no demand for this.\* That Fowey never loses is character and charm. \* Are commercial/business rates appropriate for the community? \* Fantastic literary festival and hope music festival succeeds. \*Ensure good weather for regatta week! \* Fowey Town Council does a great job.
- Fowey is a quaint small town visited by many who just love it as it is. It is a long way from the main routes into Cornwall so don't make it too easy as it will become too busy to cope.
- The work on the Parade is worrying. it should be a footpath, not a road. the money spent would be much better used keeping all the public conveniences open.
- Please do what you can to ensure Wainhomes go at the end of this project and never come back! Dealing with them on a daily basis is a trauma I wouldn't wish on anyone else. Whatever people say, I believe we do need a supermarket.
- We are concerned about the misuse of "The Parade" by a local farmer and that the solution will be inadequate. 2) We also have concerns about the amount of mud that is left on the main road into Fowey by local farmers. 3) Re-surfacing of roads, particularly the main road into Fowey. 4) Public conveniences should be free.
- We are second home owners. We feel the contribution of money, business etc is not fully recognised. It is the fault of the council and central government that housing needs are not satisfied in Cornwall. Try living in London! That it tough, but not the fault of people coming to London to live. Build homes for locals.
- Speed limit in Park Road of twenty miles an hour). A lot of mother's and baby's and school children use Park Road.
- Inappropriate development of green field sites. \* the shrinking local economy with the loss of small businesses - we need to address ways of retaining small local business. \* Retaining more homes for local people and less for second homes. \* Retaining and maintaining public amenities. \* The school buildings and sports huts are not being used to their full potential.
- Houses too expensive, especially family size homes with family size gardens and parking.
- Fore Street in Fowey suffers in the summer, half terms etc from many pedestrians who have difficulty with necessary vans and cars. We believe the street would work better with NO pavements, which currently are narrow, causing prams to be half on/half off. There could be a central drainage system and both pedestrians and drivers would benefit. The street would feel pedestrianized whilst still permitting the necessary passage of vehicles.
- A lovely rural area. Too good to be spoilt by excessive building development!
- I think in the next 5 years or so the parish will be full of 2nd home owners only as us and several other families we know are struggling with the very high private rents and as central government has set the local housing allowance at a very low amount and wages not making the shortfall people are being forced out, for us back to Truro (in the for-see-able future). I also think that speed humps/cameras need to be put in on Polvillion Road to stop people driving live idiots.

- It would be a wonderful thing of Fowey Harbour Commission and Fowey Town Council could work together cohesively - BUT historically its always been difficult to do. Perhaps there should be a "life span" for the Councillors - definitely some handbags get too big over time - and the desire to put ones head above the parapet wears off. The young are not encouraged and when/if they do get on the Council are usually ignored so they leave very fast. Good luck with it all Madam Mayor!!
- The attitude of Fowey's secondary school concerns me with all the convoluted nonsense about the community's use of our leisure centre. How many local children attend the school? Why not close the school and bus the children out instead of bussing hundreds in. Demolish school building, keep leisure centre, and develop the grounds as a caravan park, both static and touring. This provides local jobs, can support the leisure centre and may be able to fund a swimming pool. Why not incorporate a car park with proceeds for the benefit of the town - cheaper than the Cornwall County Council car parks!
- My main concern from previous experience is although the whole town attend numerous meetings about the latest Wainhomes development and overwhelmingly didn't want it to go ahead including support from the town council, I now have a row of houses with windows facing right into my bedroom windows which makes me wonder if anyone's opinion really counts any more or is it just a case of who has the most money does what they want!
- Fowey is dependent on tourism and the port of Fowey(docks and pleasure craft) for its future. We need to keep it a unique place to visit and enjoy. What plan is in place should Imerys pull out? How do we make it easier and cheaper for visitors to park? How do we get more locals as well as visitors use the facilities of the town? Let's remember what Fowey is and not try and grow it into a medium size town with lost character. Look what has happened to St Austell.
- Seems to be lack of people engaging in community activities, organisations, etc. Is this due to apathy, lack of time, nature of organisations?
- I think it is a shame the secondary school is no longer a community school. Community activities used to be encouraged. Now there is positive discrimination against adults on site at the same time as children. This is ridiculous in my view. If the children are in lessons how can they possibly be in harms way. Adults are grown up children not bogey men.
- Need to preserve and enhance character of town to encourage more tourists and support shops in town.
- Fowey is a great town, and much loved by visitors. Therefore apart from what is included in this Plan, I feel that provided the existing facilities are well maintained, we are fine.
- Further development in Fowey town should not be allowed to spread and spread further towards Golant or the Lankelly Lane area. Fowey does not need a supermarket, this will destroy the smaller shops.
- I would like to see more "local" people get involved about local issues rather than outsiders who have no regard to the future of Fowey except to make quick money out of property ie 2nd homes. People who have had a long association with Fowey, have long since gone, we have no people with "clout" to get things done there are a lot of "NIBYS" about. I'm not local, but married a Fowey girl of some 56 years and entered a Fowey family.
- The river and its estuary creates the natural assets that we value. Fowey is just one of the parishes that benefits. There should be more collaboration between all of these parishes in producing Neighbourhood Plans that fit together and reinforce one another. The growing popularity of Fowey and Polruan for leisure boating presents economic opportunities that could be encouraged. The Harbour Commission has made a good start. What can the Parish Council do to help? Legislation is needed to restrict the empty homes in Fowey owned by people residing elsewhere. This could both reduce the price of housing and reduce the pressure for new building in this and may other Cornish towns. Political action by these towns should be co-ordinated.
- A car park on outskirts of Fowey, with park and ride maybe a good idea! If needing a supermarket put it up Fourturnings or in the field by Prickly Post. The cleaning of streets and roads! Pavements very much in need of putting right-life - repairs. No space to keep out the way of traffic in places. Make the road into Castledore one-way only, before any more accidents! Easy to go through lights at St Blazey.
- my concern is for young people. Why should they have to leave their home town in order to find jobs and to be able to buy their own home! We need more jobs here for locals and the chance for affordable homes for our youngsters! fed up with Fowey becoming gentrified!!

- I honestly believe Fowey needs to capitalise on the idyll - it attracts visitors with disposable income which keeps us all going. I'm/we're strongly opposed to green field developments and also think infill areas need to be left so there's breathing space for nearby residents. Any new builds close to other buildings should be restricted to materials/style of those already there.
- More could be done to tackle congestion in the streets in summer e.g. park and ride?
- Concerned that small groups treat the town as their own fiefdom, restricting development by others with different views, or who want to contribute experience and expertise gained outside Fowey. This will seriously hamper the ability of the town to thrive, especially as volunteers in groups reach ages where unable to continue but have not enabled others to come on board, leading to activities stopping rather than sensible succession planning through the generations.
- The proposal to use the old bowling club as a community centre. But I understand the green may be used as a playground. This would ruin the potential use as a croquet area. There is already a huge space and well equipped playground for children. Too much dog mess. Youth club. Not enough activities for teenagers i.e. young teenagers 14,15,16 i.e. tennis courts expensive. Indoor swimming pool - with activities for disabled. ?Cinema ?Discos at town hall for teenagers
- I am concerned about the persistent rumours re: pedestrianisation of Fore St. This will badly effect small businesses, there are plenty examples to back this up. We need improved signage to encourage tourists into car parks and signage to inform them about the town bus. We need the parking attendant (PofF CofC ?) reinstated. This position was a great help. The traffic is a problem when it stops, not when it's flowing. I would not object to speed restriction measurements in the town.
- Green spaces are not being kept as nice as they used to be, should promote green spaces back to years of 2006 when we won in bloom competition. Protect the town quay which is so vital to tourism in the town especially as the viewing points decrease. Must protect views from Hanson Drive and daglands and only support developments that do not remove or restrict these beautiful views. Would love to see fundraising/development around Whitsand beach, the old paddling pool, development here would bring in more tourists/jobs and utilise an area in much need of attention, yet one of our favourite picnic spots. More bins, struggle to find a bin in the Parish which are needed to promote picking up dog mess.
- Fowey has already been allowed to grow beyond the ability of much of the existing infrastructure to support it. The parish should resist any further pressure for the building of yet further housing estates, which are neither wanted nor needed. Radical action is needed to control traffic in the centre of the town, especially during the summer months. Existing signage clearly does not deter motorists clogging the centre of town and firm, legally enforceable, control of traffic beyond Varcos Corner, is urgently needed.
- We would strongly object to a supermarket as this would destroy the town centre. One only has to look at other towns such as Padstow to see the negative effect of a supermarket development on the outskirts of the town. We need to encourage more independent food retailers e.g. farmers market or local farm shop.
- The closure of our gym and now no access in school hours. Will ALAT close it soon? The gull problem is getting very unhygienic. They must be prevented from messing in the town on rooftops. It should be an offense to feed them. The two restaurants on the town quay are taking it over - please stop the tents going up. Fowey smells of sewage at Fore Street, the Town Quay and Whitehouse. It must be very offensive to local traders. Moorings and access to the river for boats, kayaks, etc, is far too difficult - we need a marina!
- No horse riding on bridle paths is ever discussed. We have only 2 in Fowey which lead nowhere., Love Lane could so easily extend across the top half of Alldays to make a circular ride. The other path is at the top of Penventinue Lane which means having to ride along busy Passage Lane to get there. Horse riding is a happy healthy pastime for anyone, if cycle paths can be established why can't they be duelled for horse riding.
- I think it needs a small estate such as Tavern Barn or more flats such as Windmill. What it doesn't need is more people buying cottages as 2nd homes or renting them out holiday let. eventually there will be no real Cornish people left here, the accent will be lost, they will be forced to move away due to the cost of houses. Tavern Barn should have remained a cul-de-sac - not the "rat run" that locals call it now, people write and said they didn't want to be "joined up" with the new housing estate but no one listened.

- Maintenance and continuation of public toilets, which is needed throughout the town. Local police presence. Security, especially during summer months. Lack of community centre, please speed up use of bowls club at Squires Field. Please make a foot path across the back of Squires Field to connect with other paths.
- Abolish, or drastically cut car parking fees 2. When a retail property becomes vacant, don't allow more of the same e.g. we already have an excellent sweet shop, Middletons, why do we need so many more, also likewise with restaurants, clothes and gift shops. 3. Put heavier taxes on second homes owners
- 2011 & 2005 Plans still valid e.g. No more boutiques for trendy wealthy people. No more gift shops. - Minor injuries unit has to be fought for. - Need more disability parking e.g. all of Albert Quay. - Traffic - should be more "access only", "frontages only" through town. Should campaign that if you're stuck in jam, turn off your engine - bylaws and fliers? - Local planning to control which shops can open to ensure a thriving town (not like Padstow!) ...like it used to be... - Repair pavements and road surfaces in town centre - All points from 2011 need carrying on. - Disabled access is really poor - no wheelchair toilet at Town Quay, nowhere to park, pavements uneven etc etc
- As New Road Hill doesn't have a pavement for much of its length it is unsafe for pedestrians and I believe that a pavement needs to be installed as a matter of urgency. This would mean that a priority narrowing scheme would need to be introduced on the road, perhaps by a 'single lane working chicane' as it is of course too narrow for a pavement and two-way traffic. It is particularly bad early morning when children are walking on the road up the hill to school and others walking down into town for work or shopping etc. as the sun shines directly into the eyes of drivers as they drive up the hill. It is also dangerous when visibility is reduced due to poor weather and at night. I believe that the road is a danger to pedestrians and before someone gets injured I urge Fowey NP Steering Group to make recommendations that a pavement is created to ensure that people are safe walking to and from town. Now that there are more people living at Hillhay etc. there are more people walking along the road. If there were more building developments then the situation would get even worse. People's safety must be a priority in any NP so I hope a pavement along the whole length New Road Hill will be introduced. I am disgusted that the Old Station House has been demolished. Current older buildings should be preserved as they are with renovation/extension as required instead of demolition, whatever the cost - that's the price property developers should have to pay.
- Town Quay - This is Fowey's "living room". Since the Council acquired ownership the public space has diminished enormously and all without detailed planning consent and without the consent of the people of Fowey. The purpose of that part built by Fowey Borough Council which is specified in the deeds has been ignored. The NP should fix, in agreement with the people of Fowey, the amount of the public space used for commercial use and this should be much less than the present usage. 2. Buttermarket - This is now in private ownership. The NP should state that the deeds specify the Town Council has the right to use the Buttermarket. Development must not exclude the terms of the deeds. 3. Pavement - By pavement I mean the stuff you walk on in Fowey. It is dreadful. Crumbling patchy tarmac not to mention weeds. The town quay is disgraceful and all the byways and alleys are worse. According to VisitCornwall, tourism related spend in Cornwall was worth last year £1,900,000,000. That is £3800 per head of population. Fowey must be well above the average so the value to Fowey is £1,500,000 per annum. That is a lot of money yet none is spent on the fabric of the town. I know of no other tourist country which spends so little on the appearance of its towns both for visitors and residents. The NP should specify an amount, say 2% of stated Tourist Income, to be allocated per annum by Cornwall Council to improve the "pavement". 4. Community Right to Bid - the Localism Act of 2011 introduced this concept of the Right to bid for a property. It is only a delaying action of 6 months but enables the community to get together an alternative proposal for the property. For an asset to be listed, it will be necessary to demonstrate that its main use now, or in the past, contributes to the social wellbeing or cultural, recreational or sporting interests of the local community - and that this use will continue. Examples could include village shops, pubs, community centres and playing fields. Before the asset may be sold, the owner must notify the council and from then an initial period of 6 weeks is provided to allow local community groups the opportunity to register an interest in making a bid to purchase the asset. Where an interest is registered by a qualifying group, the asset cannot be sold for 6 months, giving such groups the time to develop a proposal and raise the required capital to bid for the asset when it comes onto the open market at the end of that period. The NP should list all those properties which the community considers

important. 5. Business rates - This is a new issue. The NP should state that the Town Council must have a voice in setting Business rates in Fowey. 6. Car Parking - There is a ridiculous situation in Fowey (and elsewhere) where car parks remain largely empty while the streets are blocked with parked cars. The NP should state how many spaces in the car parks are to allocated for year round use by local residents. 7. garages/storage - The NP should make provision for garages/storage buildings to house community bus, theatrical props, regatta paraphernalia etc.

- The NP need not be a negative document but sets down guidelines to maintain Fowey's special qualities and compatible with sustainable development, it needs to respect the distinctive character of the town, protect land in agricultural use for future generations and encourage developments in locations that encourage cycling and walking and reduce dependency on car journeys to reach local services.
- Pleas would you try and stop the parking in Esplanade(?) past under the bridge where we are restricted to one lane track. This is an A road. Cornwall Council has allowed endless houses each generating many extra car journeys and it is quite ridiculous that this unreasonable blockage should be allowed to continue.
- Stop knocking second home owners who provide an invaluable source of revenue and employment.
- Very fearful that insensitive building would spoil the nature of this town that relies heavily on tourism and that the infrastructure (particularly roads and services) would be overloaded.
- The increasing level of tourism, which does not benefit the majority of residents, is a huge concern. There should be a locally collected tourist tax to be used for the maintenance of local services.
- xxx the purchase of 2nd home owners. No issue with local businesses in the summer, whereas the winter months would be a serious problem if a large % of the community moved away during the off season.
- Like the hugely successful culture of gig rowing in Fowey, there is an ever increasing need for gig storage. Currently the gig club has a shed inside the docks. But with the success of the club (2015 Champions in St Austell Brewery Tribute Cup) more accommodation is urgently needed. This sport involved under 14, under 16 crews and the junior/adult membership increases fast. Not only is the sport affordable and socially inclusive, but it must contribute hugely to the health and wellbeing of individuals. Not to mention the reduction in xxx (?) amongst young people. Any suggestions as to how more boat accommodation could be created would be greatly appreciated!
- Fowey is looking tired and scruffy. More attention should be paid to that very fact. Could we have a volunteer Fowey in Bloom Groom (group?) like the one in Looe, which does a tremendous job?
- I think a community centre is not needed. We have a town hall, sports hub, classrooms, school halls, library rooms and parish hall. All of which can be hired by organisations for reasonable fees.
- The plan should determine exactly how many houses are required.
- No mention security, Emergency Planning. Town Council need better permanent office location.
- This questionnaire does not seem to address general tourists to the town, which must be fundamental to local businesses. Traffic management is an issue especially in school holiday times, both in respect of parking and charges and traffic through the centre, which can be a nightmare for both people on foot (young families with pushchairs, elderly in wheel chairs) and motorists. Public toilets are another complaint we have quite frequently. All existing toilets need to be open; funding plans are required. It seems odd that the county council set monies from our car parks but have absolved any responsibility to keep the relevant toilets open. ps. CC priorities are bizarre, budget for Cornish language and duplicating council paperwork but no monies for libraries and One stop shops.
- Fowey is lagging behind other parishes and needs to up its game. We have been too slow to respond to the second homes issues and as such have a much quieter winter than other similar towns in Cornwall. We need to encourage growth and development in the town and breathe new life into it.
- There should be more provision for disabled parking. Were only three parking spaces, one on Albert Quay, a part-time one on Town Quay and two outside Barclays Bank.
- I think it is the right time to start to make EFFECTIVE changes from the results of this Plan, and to start acting on them immediately or as soon as possible. Our Conservative MP Steve Double should get in on the act and try to secure finance from central government as Cornwall Council is not fit for purpose! Especially the sewage situation needs upgrading urgently s at times of 1) heavy rain and 2) holiday home occupation it becomes completely overwhelmed as we do by the pong!!

- while we do not support the creation of new homes to be sold as second homes, we must appreciate that most empty second homes are used as rental opportunities which support the tourist industry, and therefore the economy of the town.
- Previous plans for Squires Field Car Park given to Mr Bethiman 2 years ago (copy of Millennium Project which did not get off the ground), was to designate spaces to local area residents and other locals and people working in Fowey. Some of these spaces could be allocated to people using the Community Centre if we obtain old Bowling Clubsite. There seems to be little interest/concern about the amount of litter dropped in Fowey, particularly around the schools/wind mill/Squires Field areas. Can Fowey Town Council be more proactive about this problem? We seem to have lost all paid in our Parish. This problem is not just school age children as the play area is also left with crisp pockets, sweet papers etc. It would be good to have apprenticeships in the Industrial site, i.e. Blacksmith/Carpentry etc. producing small everyday items book case, small tables etc.
- many may say that we do not need tourists. That however is a very shortsighted view as most of us know. Tourism is without doubt the goose that lays the golden egg in the way of a healthy Cornish economy. Fowey is seen as a special place to visit, and as such we must protect and enhance all that makes Fowey so desirable a place to visit. And for those who wish to move here from elsewhere, buy one of the many second homes that have been acquired here in Fowey since the building of the first lot of Wainhomes!
- Recycling - businesses in and around town (not domestic) should have more variety for recycling even though it takes space e.g. for tins/plastic bottles etc.
- No planning should be given to knock down ancient houses so the owner can save vat (The Esplanade). Planning should be granted for homes and not holiday homes when buildings are being converted (i.e. The Banks any bains (?) etc). The rents for shops should be capped.
- In the thirty odd years I have lived in Fowey it has changed so much and nor for the better. An old Cornish lady told me at that time Fowey would kill itself, its greed, holiday homes, Second homes. All of my friends here are local, generations when they tell me what it used to be like I envy them living here at that time. So much has been lost. It is beautiful that's why we stay. A big concern to me this summer was the number of dogs in the town, at Caffa Mill I was daily picking up dog mess. I have grandchildren here, I worry for them.
- I would wish to see Fowey more disabled friendly - a number of businesses are difficult to access. Tourism related - more wet weather activities would not come amiss. Fowey Hospital any threats to its future will recede - Fowey could not afford to lose it.
- Do not want Hillhay estate extended further. Fowey has not got infrastructure to cope. Development companies give false promises to get planning e.g. play park, park and ride - promised with new housing estate, but now backing out. Allow residents to vote to show their feelings about local concerns (referendums).
- A firm green belt boundary needs to be established round the built areas.
- The main road should be pedestrianised. Residents should be able to park cheaply in car parks. Schemes exist in other towns such as Lymington whereby residents purchase a ticket which provides them with 3 hours free parking in the town car parks. The Fowey business community ought to try to make Fowey into a centre of excellence for something as Lostwithiel has done with antiques, Padstow for food and Hay for books. We are a less sought after destination now that Nathan Outlaw has left.
- The area beside St Catherine's Parade and leading down to Readymoney should never be built on.
- If Fowey's beauty/attractiveness is eroded then tourists will be less inclined to re-visit. Future generations will not thank us. I also wonder why a purpose built (with lift) community hall was not part of the "deal" with Wainhomes, situated at the top of the town. If those beautiful fields had to be "developed" then Fowey should have gained some lasting benefits, instead of which the developers' profits have soared and second home owners encouraged to invest.
- Honesty from developers as to what their future building plans are. To keep green spaces and parks within new developments and not build too many houses on small plots - be generous and sympathetic to Fowey's character and heritage.
- We have our second home in Fowey, but it would be our first home if there was suitable employment. I believe that restrictions, however, on 2nd home ownership partly in relation to family size homes (which remain empty here month after month and in some cases year after year). The xxx x xxx here in Fowey is extremely small are bedrooms and would not be able to support a family living here on a full-time basis due to lack of space and storage. I do not feel that our ownership of this

property is depriving xxx of a home, but that we are contributing to the prosperity of this town given how often we visit; unlike other 2nd home owners and how much we spend when we are here.

- It's vital that the economic value of Fowey as a tourist destination (river/coast/natural habitats/footpaths - unspoilt beauty) is maintained and enhanced - BUT new business should be encouraged in order to provide employment locally that is not so seasonal.
- Why can't we resist change? Our most recent housing development should be given 10 years at least to embed itself into peoples sense of place. no more large scale development.
- Loss of hotels e.g. Ferryside Inn, St Catherines Court, The Marina.
- A difficult balance but the old town should remain viable so Fowey does not become a ghost town in Winter or cease being a viable tourist destination.
- Planning gone sadly astray. No concern for the little things that mean a lot to all honest hard working local born residents.
- During July and August, through traffic is excessive. Signs warning of congestion are largely ignored. A park and ride scheme for these two months would allow visitors to come into town - perhaps including extended use of the town hall. Polperro uses horses and carts. Businesses do not appear to have lost out due to the car ban. We do not believe that a supermarket would adversely affect the town traders and think this could be a great asset for residents - especially a Waitrose or M&S simply food. Many of the residents currently have food delivered by the major supermarkets (causing more congestion) or travel by car out of town to do their main shop.
- The Imerys 'Haul road' might be usefully be opened up for general traffic, or better still reverted to it's former railway line as this is a statistically safer way to travel and more environmentally friendly. More disabled car parking in the town itself would be useful. A small supermarket would be well used as it's a ten mile round trip to the co-op in St. Blazey.
- Any review needs to start by assessing Fowey's principle assets, it's beauty and the fact that it's attraction to visitors - the towns major earner, is likely to be damaged / destroyed by careless , capitalistic development which does not take account of the nature of a unique national treasure and asset.
- Healthcare for the elderly is a huge issue given the aging population
- We need a better voice in matters currently handled at Unitary Authority level. Far too often we are simply told what has been decided without any evidence of representation of an argument on behalf of the community. We also need a more consistent approach and demographically broader representation at Town level.
- Too much traffic, both on our approach roads and in the town itself I would have liked to see something about this in the plan
- Biggest danger is over development. A major part of Fowey's charm is its small scale
- Why do we ALL of: "Steering groups" Town Council Chamber of Commerce Town Forum "Working Groups". Why not have one group that knows how to work together to make a positive change for the people of Fowey (and not themselves). Road signage and markings. Disabled access. Illegal parking. Hope we keep a library. If you wish to encourage a more balanced community in the lower town, that is more full time residents, you need to address the lack of affordable and sensible parking. If I have relatives to stay, they arrive in the evening to park at the main car park, they can't buy a ticket that gets past 9 am the next morning! We have to go and feed the meter at 9 am each day of a stay! Other car parks offer 24 hour tickets, why not this one? The general parking restrictions could be lifted in early September, the tourist rush is over by then. Also on the subject of the main car park, we are the only full time residents of the eight houses that front the road of Harbour View. On a tourist day usually several hundred people plus come past our house, only to turn and come by again, less than 30 seconds later, when they realise they can't get down to the town or back up to the car park! We are not being elitist, we welcome tourists exploring, but the ones trying to reach their car in time are very fed up, as a people coming down with pushchairs trying to avoid yet more steps, when they hit the dead end of Harbour View. In my humble opinion, you need to make a trip to Fowey run smoothly for the sake of tourism, with signs on both ends of the Dagland Hill and Longstep steps, plus a sign for those with pushchairs avoiding steps. Fowey is unique, you must have all been doing a really superb job to keep it like this, thank you.
- This plan doesn't even touch on questions about sailing, the docks and other activities intrinsic to the community. Whoever put this together should just have renamed it a housing and energy survey as there are too many aspects missing.

- unnecessary, superfluous and confusing signage. 2. seasonal parking laws no longer relevant to the number of cars in the town. 3. Lack of banking/cash facilities for locals and visitors. 4. Timing of refuse collection when there is nowhere else for weekend tourist to leave rubbish. 5. Profusion of dog excrement in public areas. 6. competitive ferry crossings.
- The reality is that Fowey has changed dramatically with the significant rise in holiday homes over the last 20 years. Homes with estuary views will remain expensive as that is what owners are paying for and this is true anywhere in the world. Cornwall has seen its principal industry shrink dramatically whilst tourism has grown. It is impossible to change history so Fowey should embrace what it has. Surrounded by nationally acclaimed places such as the Eden Project and the Lost Gardens it is important that Fowey promotes itself as a tourist centre as this is what will bring in money. Of course it needs affordable housing. It is important to find a balance. Second home owners and holiday makers bring in significant income to Fowey and Cornwall as a whole without tourism Cornwall would have greater problems than it currently has.
- The Neighbourhood Plan is concerned solely with Planning matters. So while it may be of interest for the local Council to stress the History of the area : Du Maurier / Q / St Katherine's Castle etc., in reality even the scheduled ancient monument of the Tristan Stone is getting scant protection. This is not as it should be. The key sites should be listed in the NP and protected properly. Homeworking and modern retail can only work in Fowey if there is a significant improvement in the mobile phone/ 4G coverage. Tourists will also expect better than the present patchy picture. This will require the planners to approve additional masts, which will inevitably upset people in the town/+ Polruan. The grounds of Place would be a less controversial setting for this (as compared to Windmill Industrial estate – (next to the school). As an alternative , the Town Council could make available the roof of the Town Hall The NP should make explicit reference to coordination with any plans of neighbouring parishes to the East, North and West, because the 3 principal transport corridors essential for the prosperity of the Parish of Fowey must pass through them. The NP should, to the extent that Cornwall Council, together with present transport providers, Traffic enforcement and Planning law all allow; organise activities with much greater coordination – so that street car parking is not actively promoted by uncoordinated CC parking dates, integrated park & ride tickets become possible (inc. Float and Ride), Business traffic is impeded along Passage Lane in the absence of parking enforcement. Housing and business planning is impossible without improvements in the management & handling of traffic (and not by banning it). Fowey will not significantly grow the size of its streets, but the volume of traffic can confidently be expected to grow- deliveries, residents and visitors. Unnecessary Sat-Nav tourism is also promoted by the retention of the present (obsolete) road signage. The NP should note that one of the primary roles of Fowey as a port is managed by the Fowey Harbour Commissioners – and that this includes other parishes - the Port have delegated planning authority for some of their needs , but to the extent that they support and promote tourism and leisure boating, the plan should seek to endorse those parallel improvements. (An example of how this might be thought to clash would be if yacht fuel bowsers were installed at Berrils Yard.) The NP will have to be mindful that leisure boating needs to be at a competitively low overall cost, and this will affect the port's needs for boat moorings, storage and slipways. This can be expected to grow in volume over 20 years, while commercial traffic may decline.
- As the owners of a holiday home in Fowey we value the welcome we have received. I can completely understand the need for a balance of accommodation in the town. We let our property to holiday makers in the hope that this helps support Fowey through bringing in more tourists and employing local people (local letting company, housekeeping, gardening, boat maintenance.) Doing this does not make a profit for us - although obviously helps with running costs. In five years we have only once been met with negative comments - I do hope this welcome will be continued for those of us who care about the future of Fowey but are not currently living there full time. I would also like to stress the importance of St. Fimbarrus Church and the significant contribution the Vicar and congregation make to the life of the town and welcome to visitors / new people.
- Just to emphasise, Fowey doesn't need new housing developments, we should improve/enhance and above all preserve what we have, Fowey's future will be based on Tourism we need to focus on how to manage this growth.
- Requirement of free or low cost parking for residents. Restrict flow of traffic through the narrow streets of the town centre.

- Town bus needs some type of time table or contact number so one knows when it will be coming your way, then we could support our shops/fishmonger down town. There are APPS to find out where it is at any time.
- Second homes that are rented out as and holiday lets are a business use of homes and disposal of their refuse should be at the business rate. Beware those who take business refuse back to their domestic homes to avoid paying the business rate
- More parking restrictions 12 months of the year. A stricter control of the beautiful Edwardian and Victorian buildings being ruined. No more shocking pink buildings!