

# Planning section

Main findings so far

1. People value village assets, especially open spaces and footpaths.
2. Over 60% thought that village services (water, electricity, etc.) were good or excellent.
3. Most people are aware of the main village organisations, but are not willing to participate through lack of time
4. Just under three quarters thought that having a village shop was important. The majority thought that the memorial hall would be the best location.
5. Just over half agreed that more housing is needed. Almost three quarters thought that 1-3 bedroom houses should be built.

# Community section

Main findings so far

1. Strong support for the countryside and footpaths. Dissatisfaction with pub and playgrounds.
2. Better playground, public park, circular footpaths and allotments are top facilities requested.
3. Low level of support for additional village events.
4. Fly tipping, litter and dog fouling are top concerns.

# Transport section

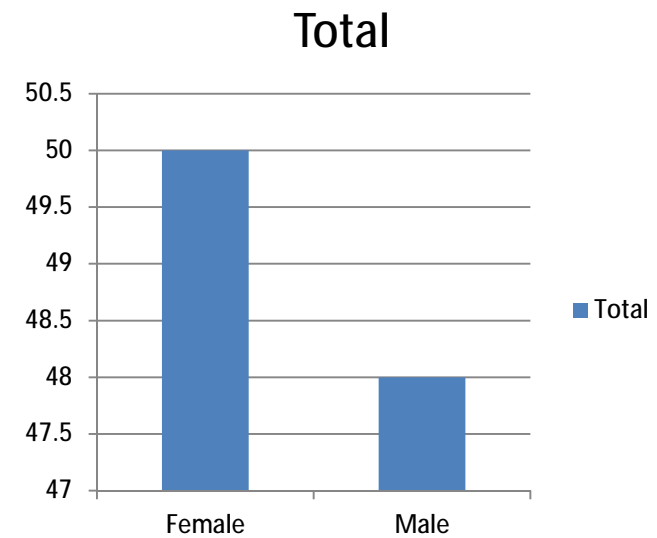
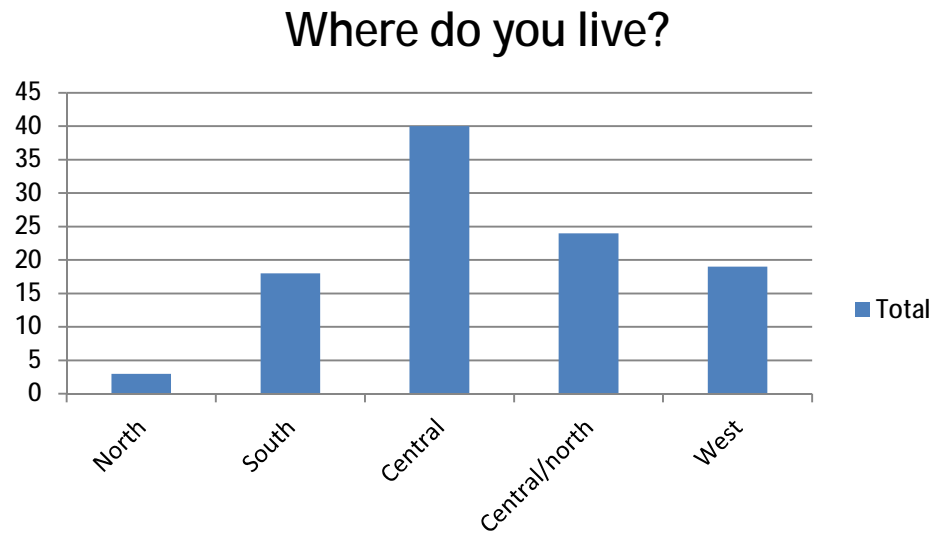
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1. Most people use car rather than walking, even within the village.
2. People often experience problems crossing the road, mostly by the church.
3. Lots of extra foot journeys would be made (such as to Mortimer Station) if a footpath were available.
4. Almost three quarters think that the roads in Beech Hill are safe, yet think that speed is an issue.
5. 3 minor accidents a year, and 15 near misses a year on average. Air ambulance twice called out to the wider Beech Hill Road / Park Lane area.
6. Speed bumps, chicanes and width restriction the most popular traffic calming solution.
7. Low level of support for using the bus, even with additional services provided.

# Some comments

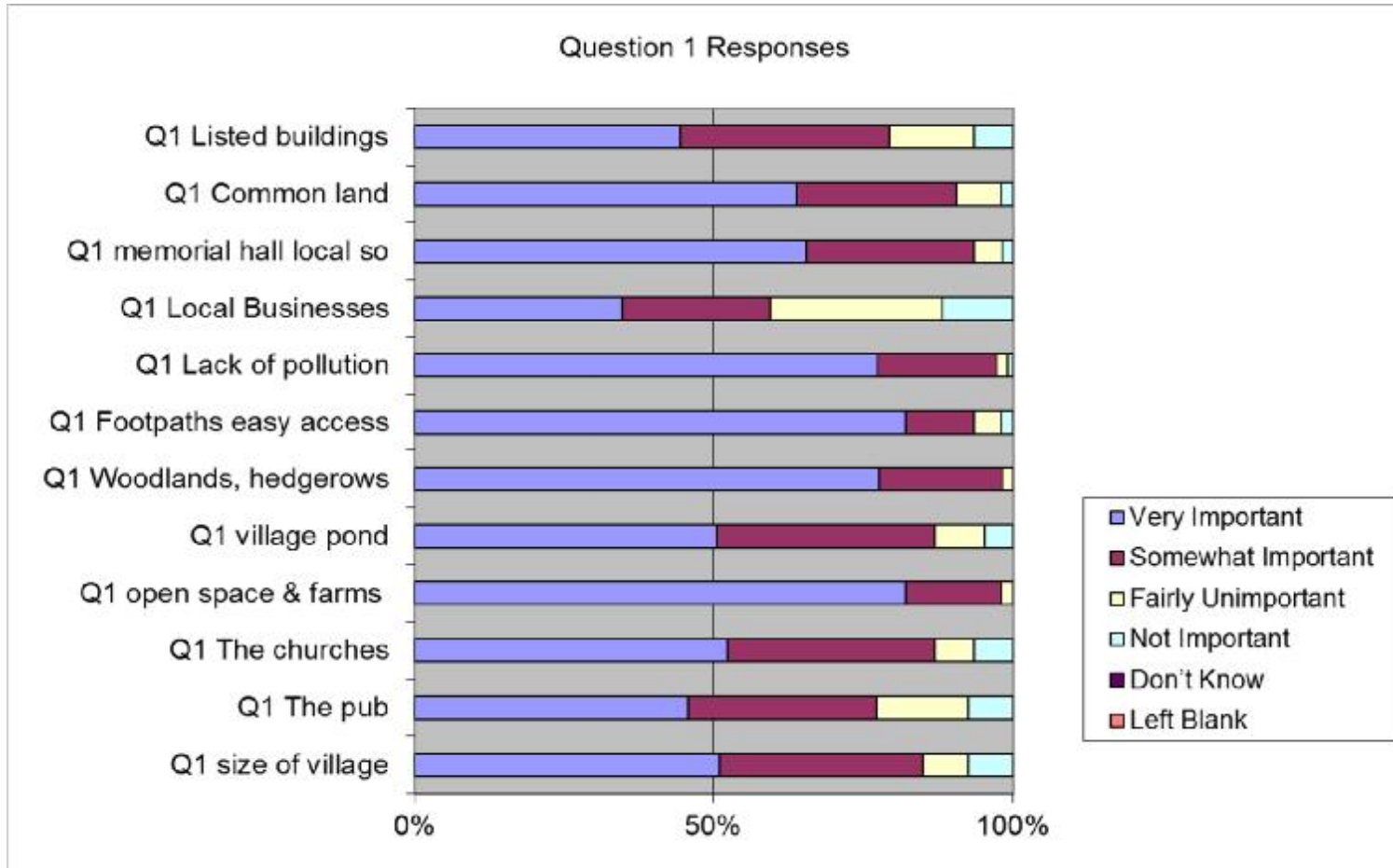
- Dog fouling on village green unacceptable
- Issue with Spiritualist use of Memorial Hall
- More bridleways wanted
- Good questionnaire
- Poor facilities at pub, especially for children
- Want Beech Hill to remain a backwater
- Good village – just needs more people to support it
- Thank you to the Plan committee for a good effort
- Route external buses through Beech Hill
- Allotment area should be restored to villages – 2 comments
- Would love to be able to walk alongside Loddon
- Noise from Trunkwell an issue
- Made to feel like outsiders – very unhappy

# Where people live / sex



Each area had about the same number of houses, but most response from the central village area.

# Village assets



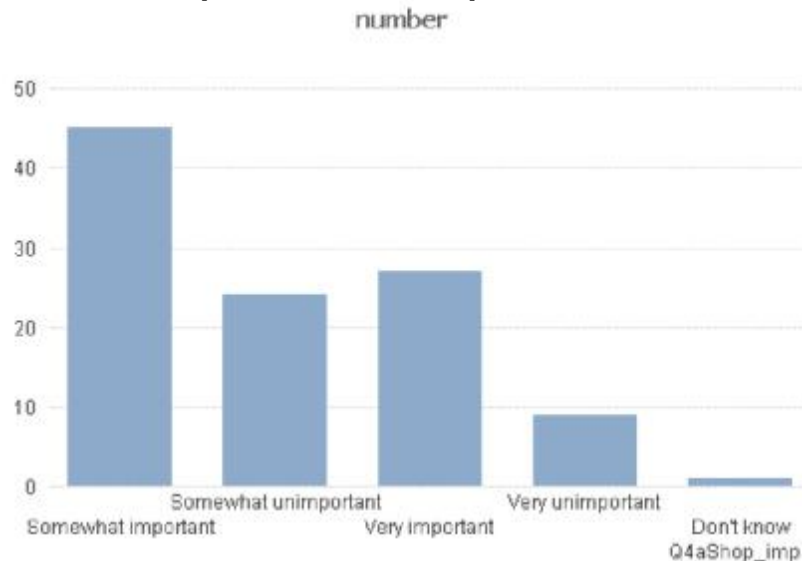
Most of those assets listed appear highly valued. Lack of pollution, woodland and hedgerows and open spaces and farms were most highly valued whilst local businesses were the least.

# Village shop

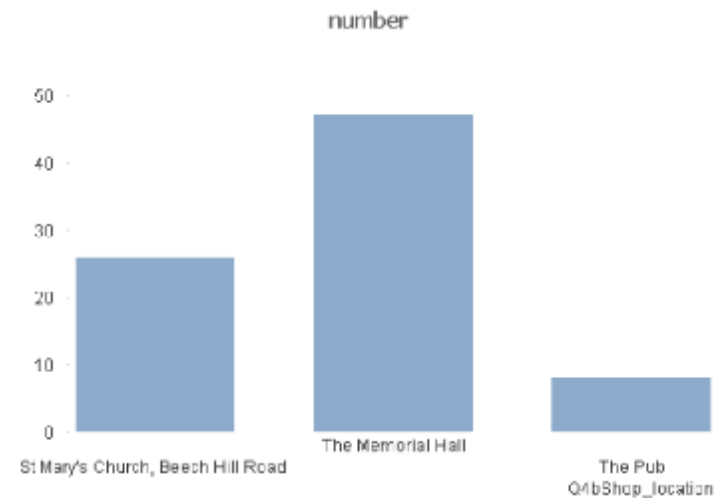
## Most popular shopping options

1. General good occasionally
2. Newspapers Sunday plus general good occasionally
3. Newspaper Sunday plus fresh produce weekly
4. Fresh produce weekly plus general goods occasionally

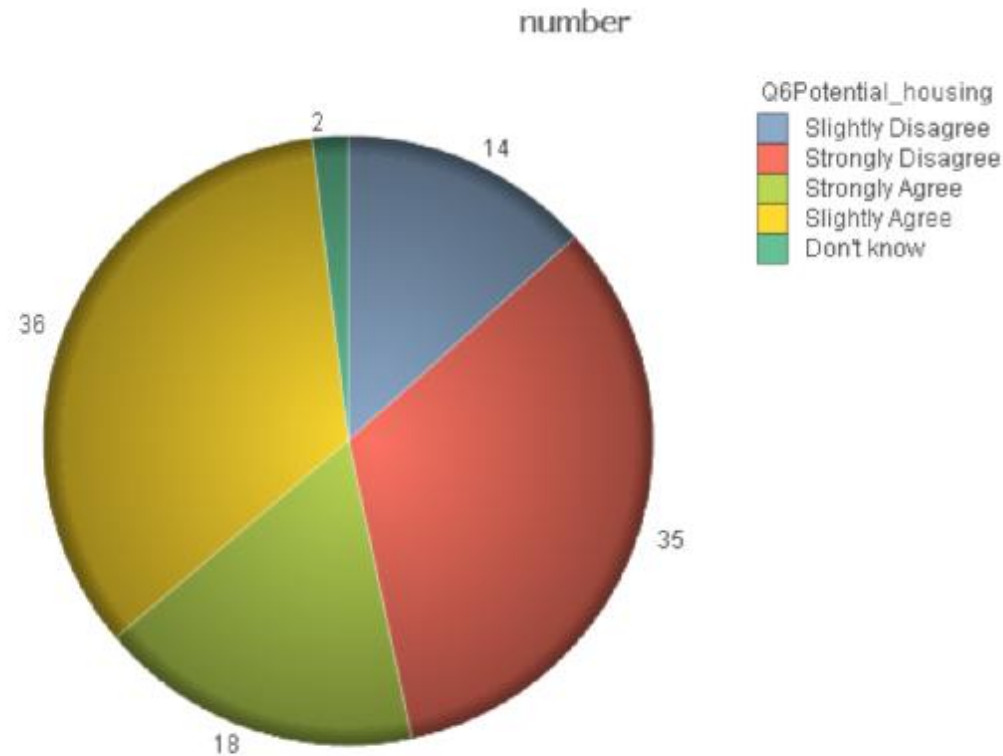
## How important is shop?



## Where should shop be sited?



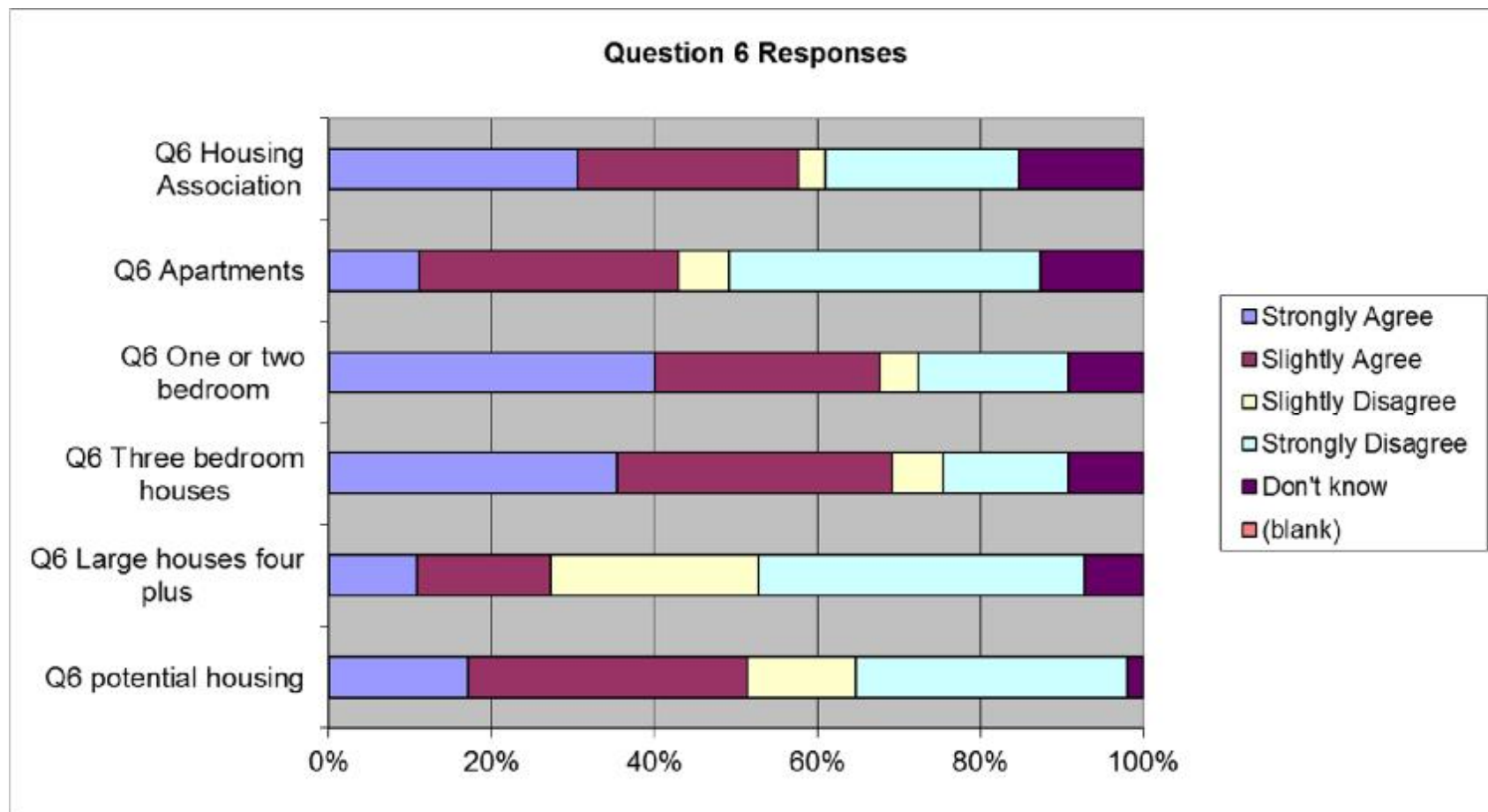
# More houses in Beech Hill?



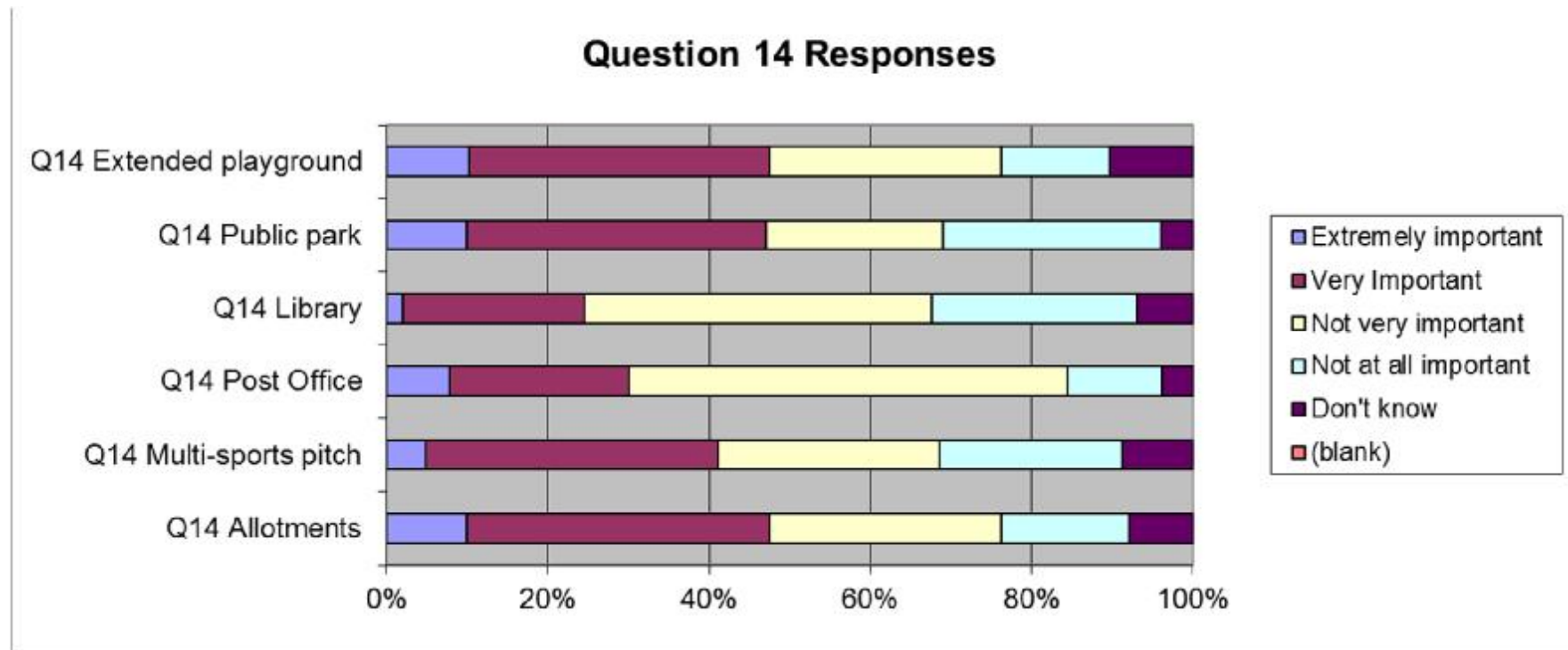
Around 10% reported a friend or relative having difficulty finding accommodation in the village.



# Type of housing needed



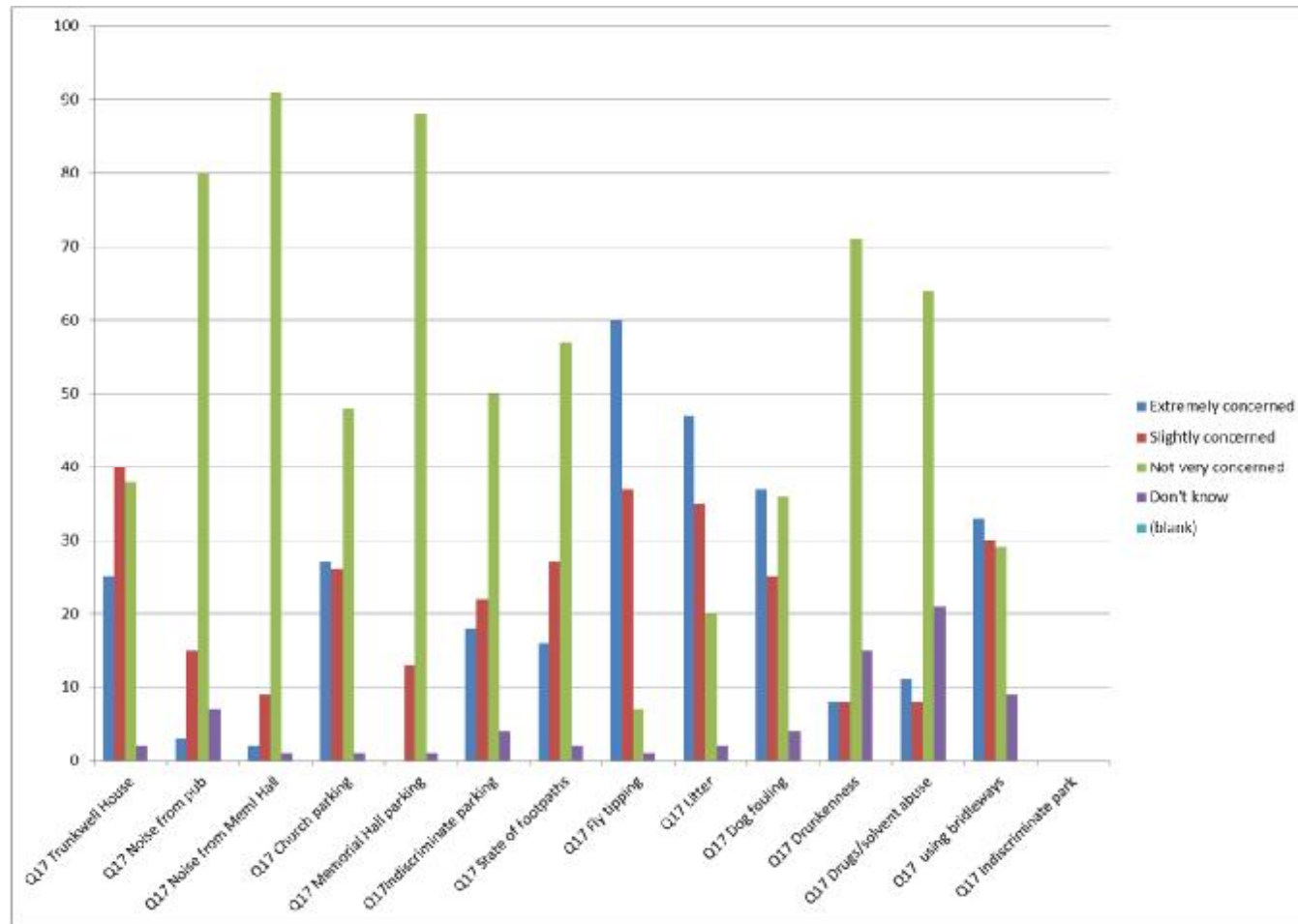
# Amenities wanted?



Allotments, public park and playground are top three wishes

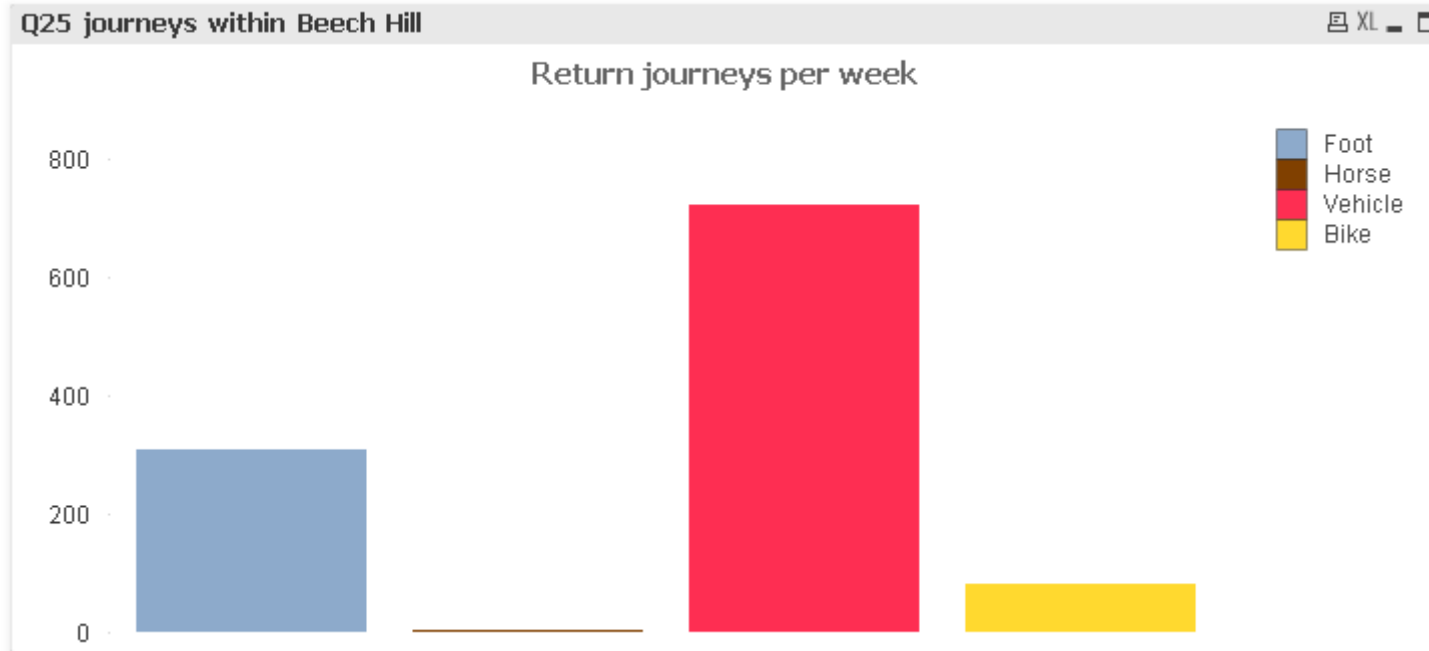
## Beech Hill Village survey

# Concerns



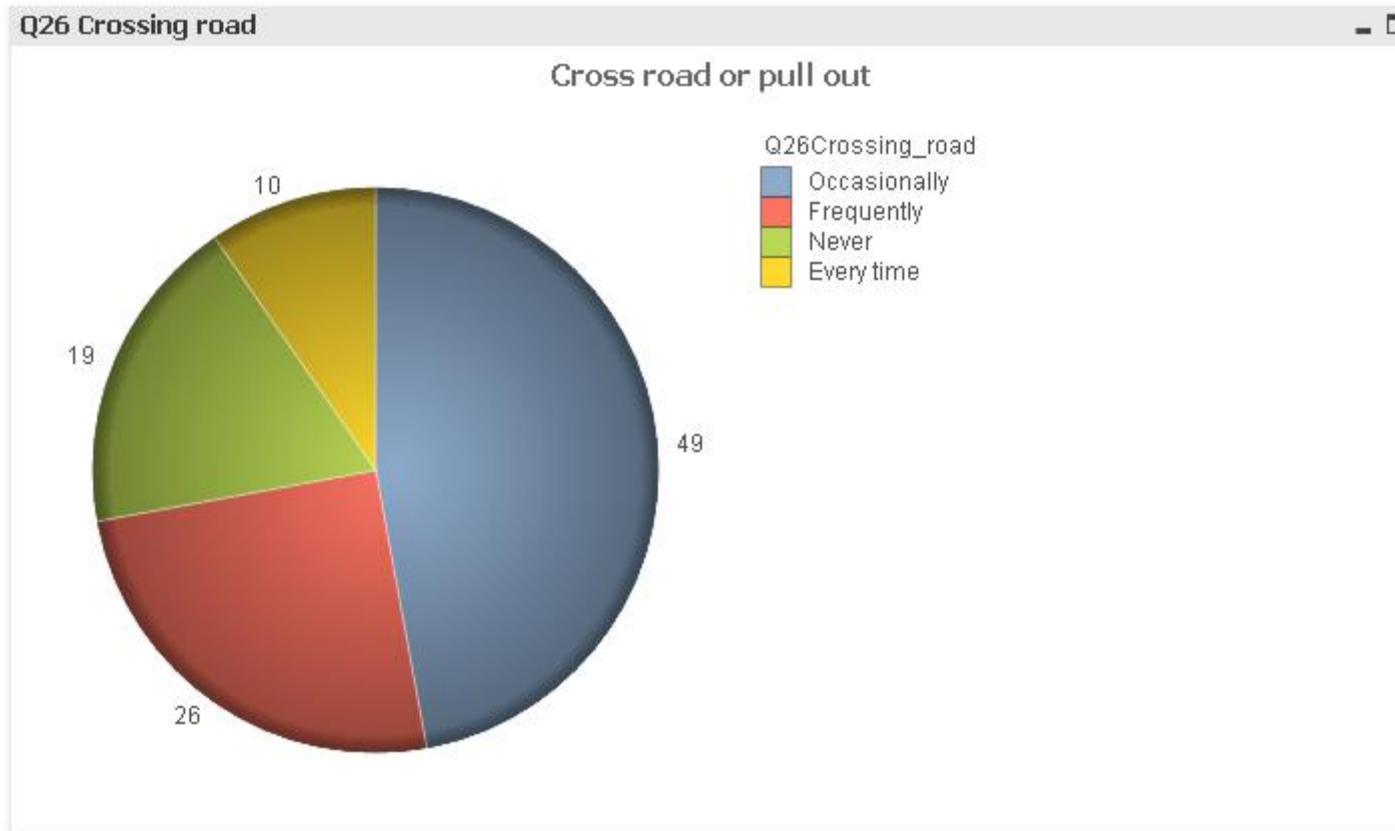
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# Journeys within Beech Hill



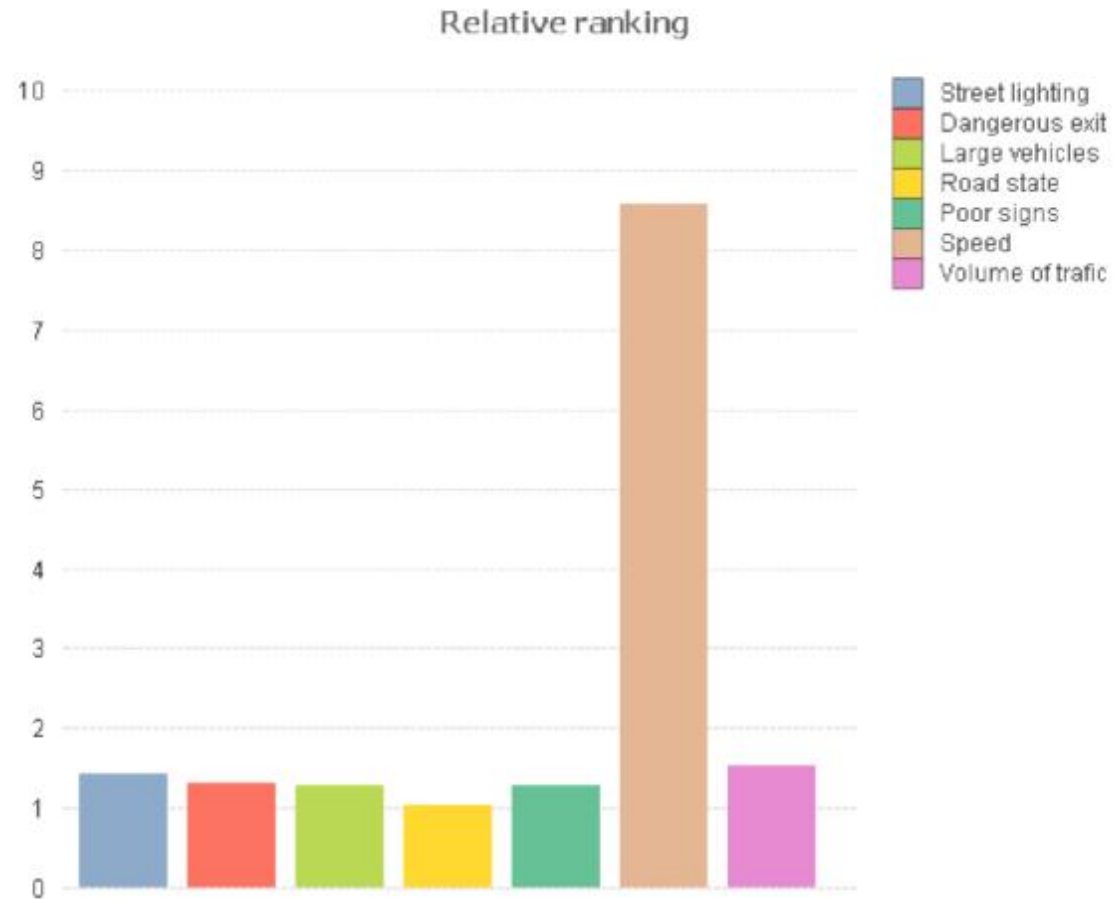
People love their cars in Beech Hill. Many journeys are made by car within the village, when most parts are within walking distance. This has an impact on potential bus services – see later.

# Problems crossing road

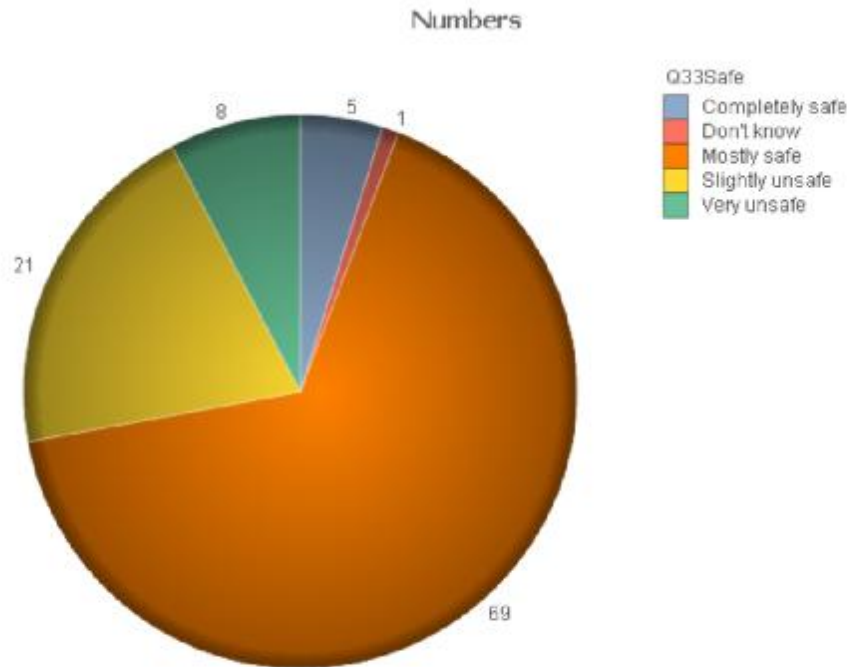


Most people experience problems crossing the road frequently. This needs to be dealt with as a priority area.

# Reason for unsafe roads



# Are the roads mostly safe?



Although most people commented on speed as an issue, more than 70% consider the roads mostly or completely safe.

## Comments

- Pot holes in various places cause problems
- Parking at top end of Wood Lane
- No pedestrian crossing by church
- Bad signs by church
- Trowes Lane now a through route
- Traffic created whenever there is a Trunkwell function
- Lorries directed here by sta. nav.