

Cullompton Neighbourhood Plan Young People Survey Report 2014

This report has been prepared for the Cullompton Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group. Its purpose is to provide the Group with the figures and a brief analysis of the response to the 2014 Cullompton Neighbourhood Plan Young People Survey.

The survey was completed in July 2014 by the students of Cullompton Community College. The survey represents the views of years 7, 8 and 9, as years 10 & 11 had either already left the college or were away on work experience.

Respondent Profile

Are you male or female?	
Male	52.2%
Female	47.8%

The survey sample was relatively evenly split between males and females.

What year group are you in?	
Year 7	39.3%
Year 8	28.9%
Year 9	30.3%
Year 10	1.0%
Year 11	0.5%

The respondents were fairly evenly split between years 7, 8 and 9. Unfortunately, it was not possible for students from years 10 & 11 to complete the survey.

Leisure

Do you think there are enough activities for young people in Cullompton?	
Yes	33.9%
No	66.1%

66% of respondents did not think there were enough activities for young people to do in Cullompton.

The most commonly suggested activities the students would like to see in Cullompton were a swimming pool (70%) and a cinema (12%). Other activities suggested were tennis courts, bigger parks, football pitches and bowling.

What, if anything, stops you taking part in activities in Cullompton?	
Cost	56.1%
Transport	27.1%
Timing of activity	34.2%

Activity oversubscribed	6.5%
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Cost appeared to be the biggest barrier preventing young people taking part in existing activities in Cullompton (56%). Transport (27%) and timing of activities (34%) were also considered to be considerable constraints for respondents wishing to take part in activities.

Travel & Transport

How do you get to school most of the time? (all students)	
Walk	57.1%
Cycle	1.5%
Car	11.6%
Bus	29.3%
Taxi	0.5%
Other (please specify)	0.0%

Overall, 57% of respondents walk to school with 29% travelling to school by bus and 11% by car.

91% of students living in Cullompton walk to school. 5% travel to school by car and 2% cycle or travel by bus.

Of those students who do not live in Cullompton, 76% travel by bus to get to school, 22% by car and 1 individual cycles.

How often do you use the bus service in Cullompton?	%
Daily	17.4%
Weekly	8.7%
Monthly	7.2%
Occasionally	39.0%
Never	27.7%

39% of survey respondents reported that they only 'occasionally' used the bus service in Cullompton. 17% of respondents used the bus service on a daily basis. Those who 'never' used the bus service accounted for 28% of students of the college.

Does the bus service meet your needs?	
Yes	73.4%
No	26.6%

Overall, students felt that the bus service adequately met their needs. Of those students who never used the bus service, 61% said that it did not meet their needs, whilst 39% said that it did, despite never using it.

Do you cycle on the local roads?

Yes	40.3%
No	59.7%

Only 40% of respondents reported that they did cycle on the local roads, whilst 60% did not. Overall, 58% of total respondents said that they did feel safe cycling around Cullompton. 75% of students who did actually cycle locally felt it was safe to do so with 25% disagreeing. Whereas the perception of 59% of participants who did not cycle on the local roads was that it was not safe to do so.

Do you feel safe cycling around Cullompton?	
Yes	57.6%
No	42.4%

When asked what could be done to make the roads safer for cyclists, 80% of respondents suggested that 'cycle lanes' could be provided for cyclists. Other suggestions included 'preventing on street parking', 'filling in pot holes' and generally improving the roads in the surrounding area.

Shopping

How would you rate the shops in Cullompton?	
Very good	7.3%
Good	25.0%
Average	41.1%
Poor	17.2%
Very poor	9.4%

The majority of respondents rated the shops as *no better than average*.

When asked what type of new shops the young people would like to see in Cullompton, 'clothes' seemed to be by far the most popular choice amongst girls, whilst boys wanted to see 'gaming' shops in Cullompton. 'Sports shops' and 'Fast food restaurants' were also popular choices amongst all students.

Living in Cullompton

Do you live in Cullompton?	
Yes	62.1%
No	37.9%

62% survey respondents live in Cullompton with 38% living outside the Parish.

How satisfied are you with living in Cullompton?	
Very satisfied	24.2%
Fairly satisfied	65.0%
Dis-satisfied	8.3%

65% of students were 'fairly satisfied' with living in Cullompton, with a quarter reporting to be 'very satisfied'. Only 11% of those asked were either 'dis-satisfied' or 'very dis-satisfied' with living in Cullompton.

When you eventually leave home, do you intend to continue to live in Cullompton?	
Yes	17.4%
No	33.1%
Unsure	49.6%

Half of students who live in Cullompton were unsure as to whether they would continue to live in the area when they leave home. Only 17% of respondents answered that they intend to stay living in Cullompton.

Students reported that Aldi/Tesco were the best things about Cullompton with McDonalds also coming top of the list. The library, parks, sports centre, CCA fields and Cullompton Community College were also considered positive attributes of Cullompton.

The most commonly disliked element of Cullompton appeared to be the 'shops', amongst participants, along with 'traffic' and 'parks'. Other negative aspects given were 'lack of activities', 'smokers' and 'litter'.

Where do you live?	
Bradninch	35%
Willand	33%
Tiverton	15%
Plymtree	8%
Clyst Hydon	5%
Other	4%

Of the 38% of students who do not reside in Cullompton, the majority came from Bradninch and Willand.

Your future

When you leave school, which of the following do you intend to do?	
Find work in the Cullompton area	10.7%
Find work elsewhere in the South West	10.7%
Find work elsewhere in the Country	5.3%
Find an apprenticeship	12.4%
Go to Petroc College	10.1%
Go to Exeter College	66.9%
Go to Richard Huish College	5.9%
Go to Somerset College	3.0%

The most popular option for students to choose after they leave school was to go to Exeter College (67%). Only 10% of students indicated that they intend to go to Petroc College, despite that being the designated college for students from the Cullompton area. 12% of students intend to find an apprenticeship. Some students ticked more than one box,

indicating that they were not sure what they would go on to do after they left school, which is why the figures add up to more than 100%.

If you go to college, how do you think you will get there?	
Bus	71.5%
Car	24.7%
Walk	2.5%
Cycle	0.6%
Taxi	0.6%

When asked how they would get to College if they went, the majority of students said that they would travel by bus, with a quarter replying that they would travel by car. Walking and cycling equated to only 3% of answers given.

Do you think there should be a sixth form college in Cullompton?	
Yes	43.3%
No	27.3%
Unsure	29.4%

43% of students felt that there should be a sixth form College in Cullompton. Nearly a third of respondents were unsure whether Cullompton College should have a sixth form.

Your opinion is important to us - what do you think...?		
	Yes	No
We need a railway station	69%	31%
We need a bus terminus	70%	30%
We need more leisure facilities	89%	11%
We need more cycle routes	80%	20%
We need better bus services	71%	29%
We need to protect the countryside around us	85%	15%
We need better parks and open spaces in town	93%	7%
We must protect our old buildings and heritage	75%	25%
We need to improve facilities for children	88%	12%
We need to improve facilities for teenagers	93%	7%

Survey respondents were asked to say if they 'agreed' or disagreed' with various statements relating to the future of Cullompton. It became evident when inputting the questionnaires that 'peer pressure' was a factor to be taken into consideration when analysing the survey results, as it was apparent that some of the students had sat together when completing their forms.

Overall, students agreed with most statements on the list. Unsurprisingly, the emphasis was on needing more leisure facilities, particularly for young people. A quarter of respondents disagreed that we need to protect our old buildings and heritage.

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Appendix A

About you

Q1. Are you male or female?

Male Female

Q2. What year group are you in?

Year 7 Year 8

Year 9 Year 10

Year 11

Leisure

Q3. Do you think there are enough activities for young people in Cullompton?

Yes

No

Q4. In order of preference, what new activities and facilities would you like to see in Cullompton?

1
2
3
4

Q5. What, if anything, stops you taking part in activities in Cullompton?

Cost..... Activity oversubscribed...

Transport..... Timing of Activity.....

Travel & Transport

Q6. How do you get to school most of the time?

Walk Car Taxi

Cycle Bus Other

Q7. How often do you use the bus service in Cullompton?

Daily Monthly Never

Weekly Occasionally

Q8. Does the bus service meet your needs?

Yes

No

Q9. Do you cycle on the local roads?

Yes No

Q10. Do you feel safe cycling in Cullompton?

Yes

No

Q11. What do you think could be done to make the roads safer for cyclists?

Shopping

Q13. How would you rate the shops in Cullompton?

Very Good... Average... Very poor...

Good..... Poor.....

Q14. What types of new shops would you like to see in Cullompton?

1.
2.
3.
4.

Living in Cullompton

Q15. Do you live in Cullompton?

Yes go to Q16

No go to Q18

Q16. How satisfied are you with living in Cullompton?

Very satisfied..... Dis-satisfied.....

Fairly satisfied..... Very dis-satisfied....

Q17. When you eventually leave home, do you intend to continue to live in Cullompton?

Yes... No... Unsure.....

Go to Q19

Q23. What are the best things about Cullompton?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Q18. Where do you live?

Q24. What are the worst things about Cullompton?

4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Your future

Q19. When you leave school which of the following do you intend to do?

- Find work in the Cullompton area.....
- Find work elsewhere in the South West.....
- Find work elsewhere in the Country.....
- Find an apprenticeship.....
- Go to Petroc College.....
- Go to Exeter College.....
- Go to Richard Huish College.....
- Go to Somerset College.....
- Other (please state) - _____

Q20. If you go to college, how will you get there?

Bus... Car... Taxi..... Cycle..... Walk.....

Q21. Do you think there should be a sixth form college in Cullompton?

Yes... No... Unsure.....

Q22. Your opinion is important to us - what do you think....? please tick one per row (if you don't know, please skip the specific question)?

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| We need a railway station | Agree.. <input type="checkbox"/> | Disagree.. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| We need a bus station | Agree.. <input type="checkbox"/> | Disagree.. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| We need more leisure facilities | Agree.. <input type="checkbox"/> | Disagree.. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| We need more cycle routes | Agree.. <input type="checkbox"/> | Disagree.. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| We need a better bus service | Agree.. <input type="checkbox"/> | Disagree.. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| We need to protect the countryside around us | Agree.. <input type="checkbox"/> | Disagree.. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| We need better parks and open spaces in the town | Agree.. <input type="checkbox"/> | Disagree.. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| We must protect our old buildings and heritage | Agree.. <input type="checkbox"/> | Disagree.. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| We need to improve our facilities for children | Agree.. <input type="checkbox"/> | Disagree.. <input type="checkbox"/> |
| We need to improve our facilities for teenagers | Agree.. <input type="checkbox"/> | Disagree.. <input type="checkbox"/> |

Thank you very much for completing this questionnaire

Your views and ideas are much appreciated

If you would like to be directly involved in the Cullompton Neighbourhood Plan, please leave your contact details below

Name: _____

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