

# Girton's 2024 Annual Parish Meeting

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE.  
After all it is your Parish Meeting!  
15<sup>th</sup> May from 3.30pm

Refreshments available  
from 3.30pm  
Soft Drinks, Coffee/tea,Wine/Beer  
from 8.15pm



GPC – what are our priorities?  
7pm to 8.15pm.  
Chat with Councillors & find out more  
from 8.15pm



Something for younger residents & parents to  
enjoy from 3.30pm.  
Table Tennis England Demo match from 4pm.



Meet the team  
Headline Results  
on display



wilby   
& burnett

Our Master Planner will be  
available from 7pm to  
answer questions on this  
initiative for our village



Jack's  
Gelato  
From  
3.30pm

Manna Seoul  
Korean Street  
Food from 5pm



Any questions please contact [clerk@girton-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@girton-pc.gov.uk) or use our new app <https://www.girton.municipal.report>



# **Girton Annual Parish Meeting**

15<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Chair's report  
Daniel Carney

# Agenda - Annual Parish Meeting 2024

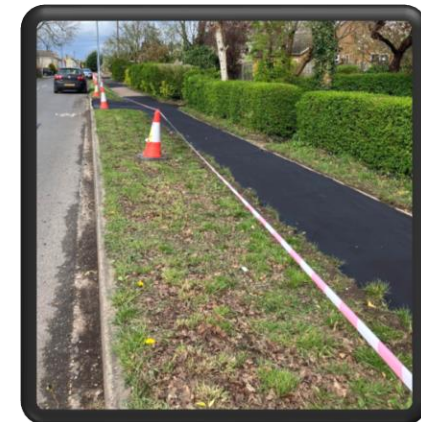


- Welcome & Apologies for Absence
- Approval of Girton Annual Parish Meeting Minutes, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023
- Matters arising from Minutes of 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023
- Chairman's Report on Parish Council Activities
- Finance Report
  
- An update from:
  - Local Nature Recovery Group – Keith Honnor
  - Neighbour Plan Lead – Andrew Muston
  - Memory Café – Richard de Horsey
  - Edna Murphy – County Councillor
  - Richard Stobbart – District Councillor
  
- Questions from the floor

# Highways & safety

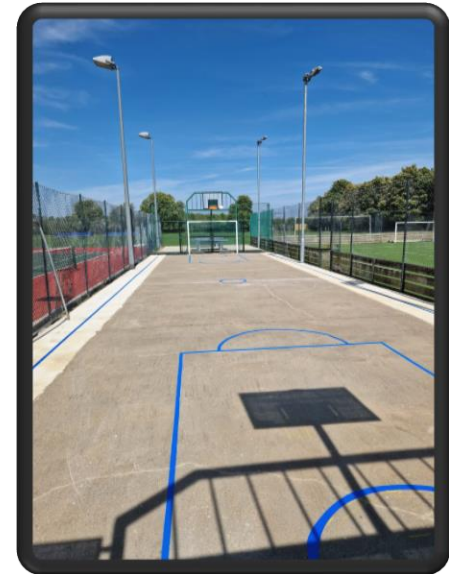


- Highways safety schemes approved:
  - Extend 20mph zone to Huntingdon Rd + side roads
  - Pedestrian/cycle crossing on Girton Rd
  - Cycle wands on Huntingdon Rd
- DYL application
- Bollards at Rec car park
- (Some) footway resurfacing



# Sport & recreation

- Clubhouse & toilets at Wellbrook Way bowling green
- Basketball court refurbishment
- Table tennis tables
- Extra field made available
- Resurfacing of Wellbrook Way playground



# Additional items of note

- Food trucks at Rec car park
- Master Planner appointed
- Parish Ranger trial
- Issue reporting tool trial
- Steps to help GPC team respond more quickly
- Moving reserves to higher interest account





# **Girton Annual Parish Meeting**

15<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Finance Report  
Ann Muston (Finance Chair)/  
Yvonne Murray (RFO)

# Finance Management



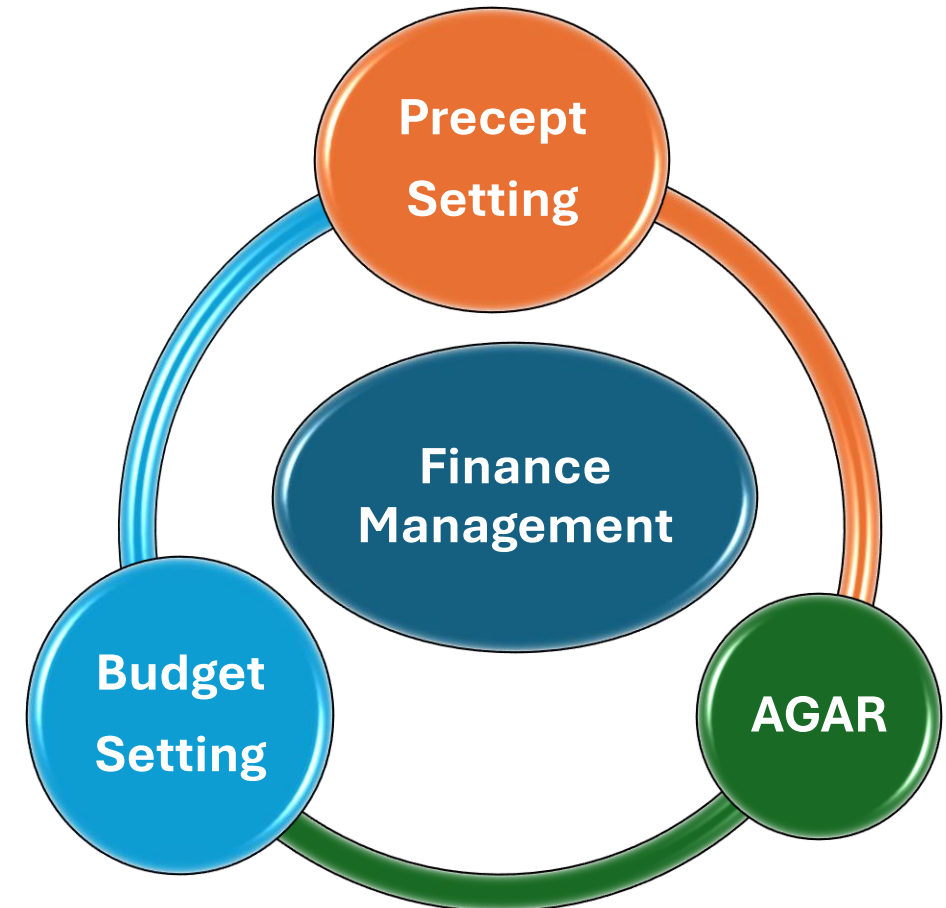
**Three?** key points of a Parish Council Financial year:

**Precept Setting:** The amount each household pays the Parish Council each year

**AGAR (Annual Governance & Accountability Return):** Form prepared & audited at year-end

**Budget Setting:** Ideally detailed and itemised. For Girton Parish Council categorised as: Mandatory, Asset Management, New Projects

**Finance Management – Each & Every Day**



# Responsibilities of a Parish Council



## Finance Management is key

- Work with our Community to understand requirements
- Balancing individual requirements vs Community needs
- Serve our whole community
- Develop processes & procedure to improve our service/s to **OUR** Community
- Plan and gather information/data to make more informed decisions for our today and our future



Finance Management - Each & Every Day

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Improved Community Support - Each & Every Day



# Finance & Annual Parish Meetings - More information



See Girton Village Community Website

## Precept & Budget

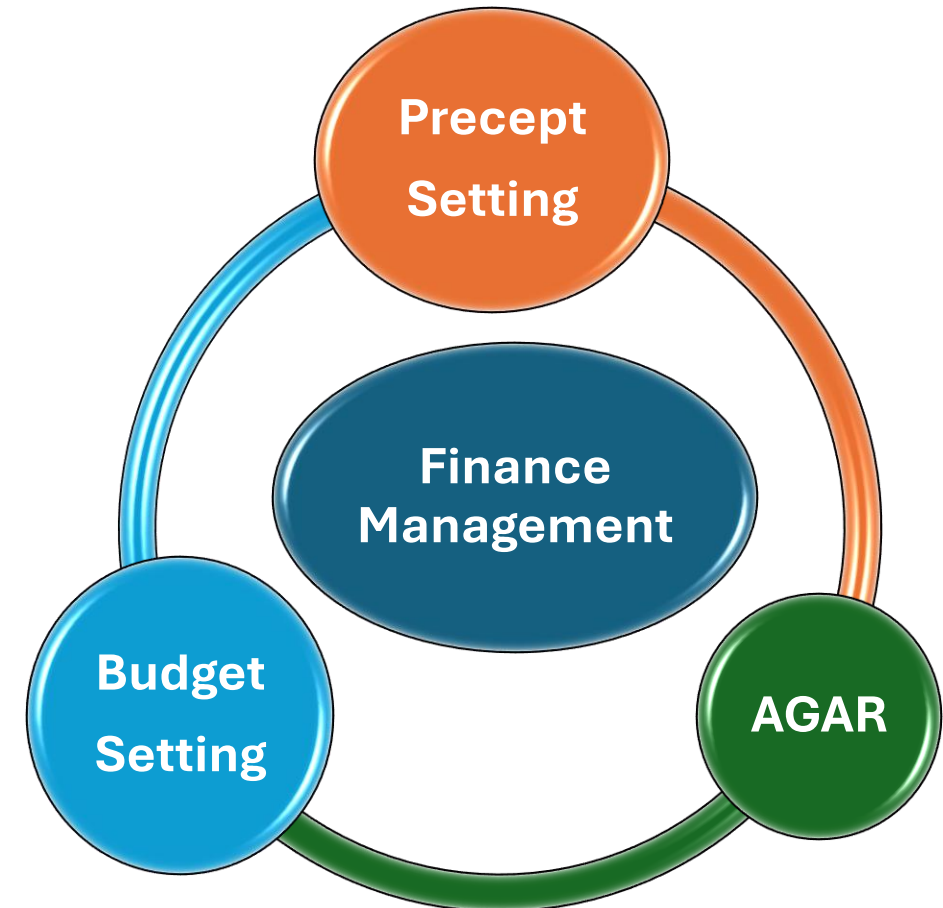
<https://www.girton-cambs.org.uk/2024/02/03/girton-parish-council-2024-2025-precept-setting/>

## AGAR

<https://www.girton-cambs.org.uk/agar-girton-parish-council>

## Annual Parish Meeting 2023

<https://www.girton-cambs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/0.-Girton-Annual-Parish-Meeting-2023-Draft-Minutes-17-May-2023.pdf>



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# Girton Local Nature Recovery Plan Group

**Girton Annual Parish Meeting**

**May 15<sup>th</sup> 2024**

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Alison Giles

Lesley Lampe  
(councillor)

Keith Honnor

Who we are

Lucy Wilson

Stuart Wills

Keith Archer

# Strategic Aims

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- a) to encourage community awareness and inspire action to help nature flourish;
- b) to enhance and extend wildlife habitats throughout the parish;
- c) to increase the diversity and abundance of wild fauna and flora in the parish.

# Achieved through:

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Sites (e.g Hibbert-Ware Garden, Town End Close reserve, Wellbrook Way)

Habitats (Grassland, wetlands, woodlands, hedges, gardens)

Species (Great Crested Newt, Hedgehog, Swift, invertebrates, plants)

# Achievements to date:

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- Hibbert-Ware Garden regeneration (ongoing)
- Finalisation and launch of Plan (Oct 2023)
- ‘No mow Summer’ (aka Parish ‘Grass Policy’)
- Community events and meetings x11 (Hibbert-Ware opening, Swifts in Dry Drayton, Public meetings, Town End Close, Gardening for Wildlife)

# Next steps

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- Hedgehog survey
- Moth trapping & bat walk events
- Improve 'cross border' working with other parish biodiversity groups (Histon, Oakington)

# Why it matters...

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‘Are we being good ancestors?’

(Jonas Silk, inventor of Polio vaccine)

# **Girton Parish Neighbourhood Plan to 2041**

**Annual Parish Meeting  
15 May 2024**

**Andrew Muston (Team Lead)**

***‘Girton’s own  
vision for Girton’***



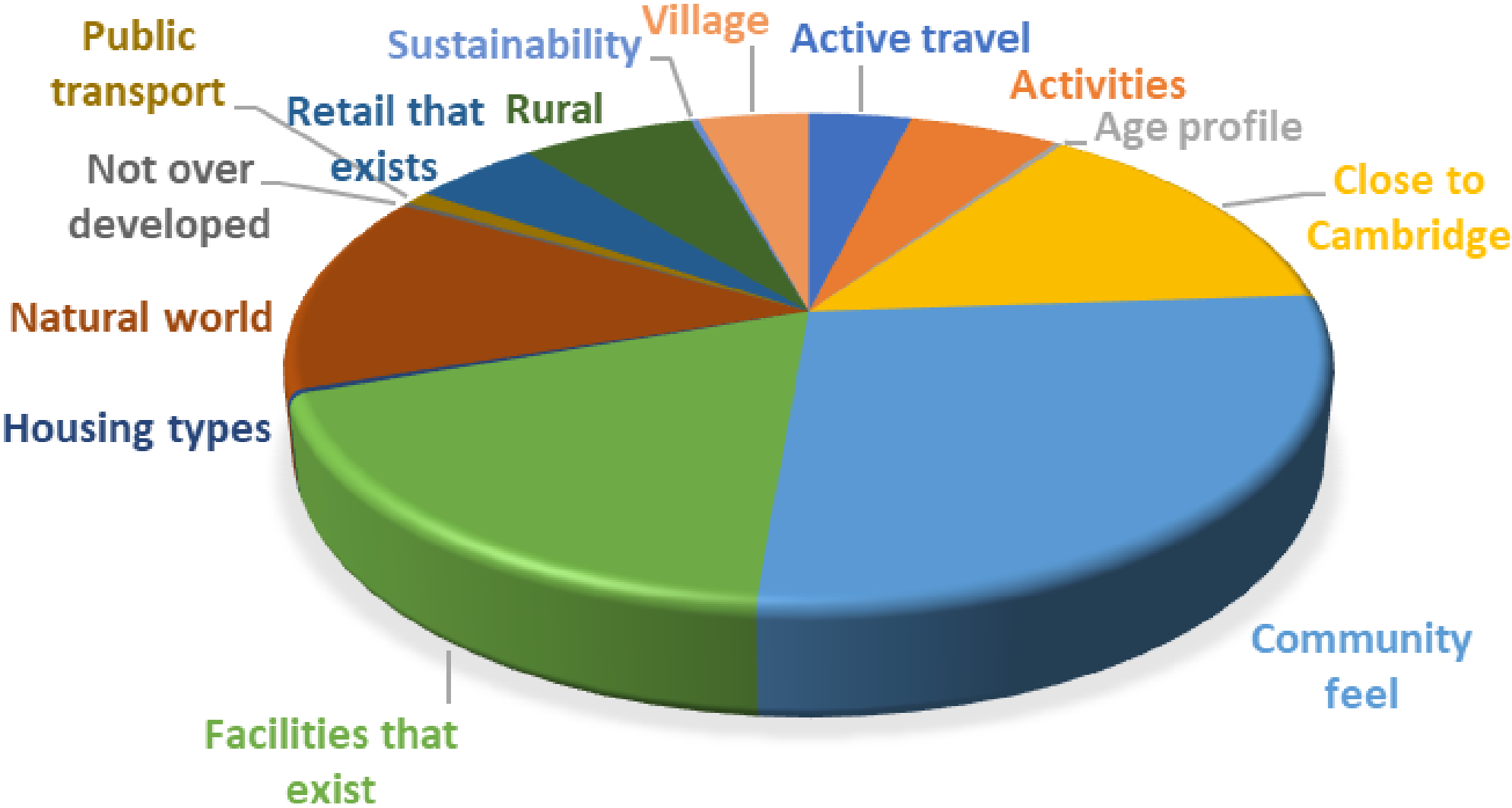
## July 2023 SWOT Survey

- 1) Purpose to gather initial views and to guide main Parish Survey
- 2) Carried via Girton Parish News
- 3) 129 Replies
- 4) 7.6% of households
- 5) 16% replies on paper

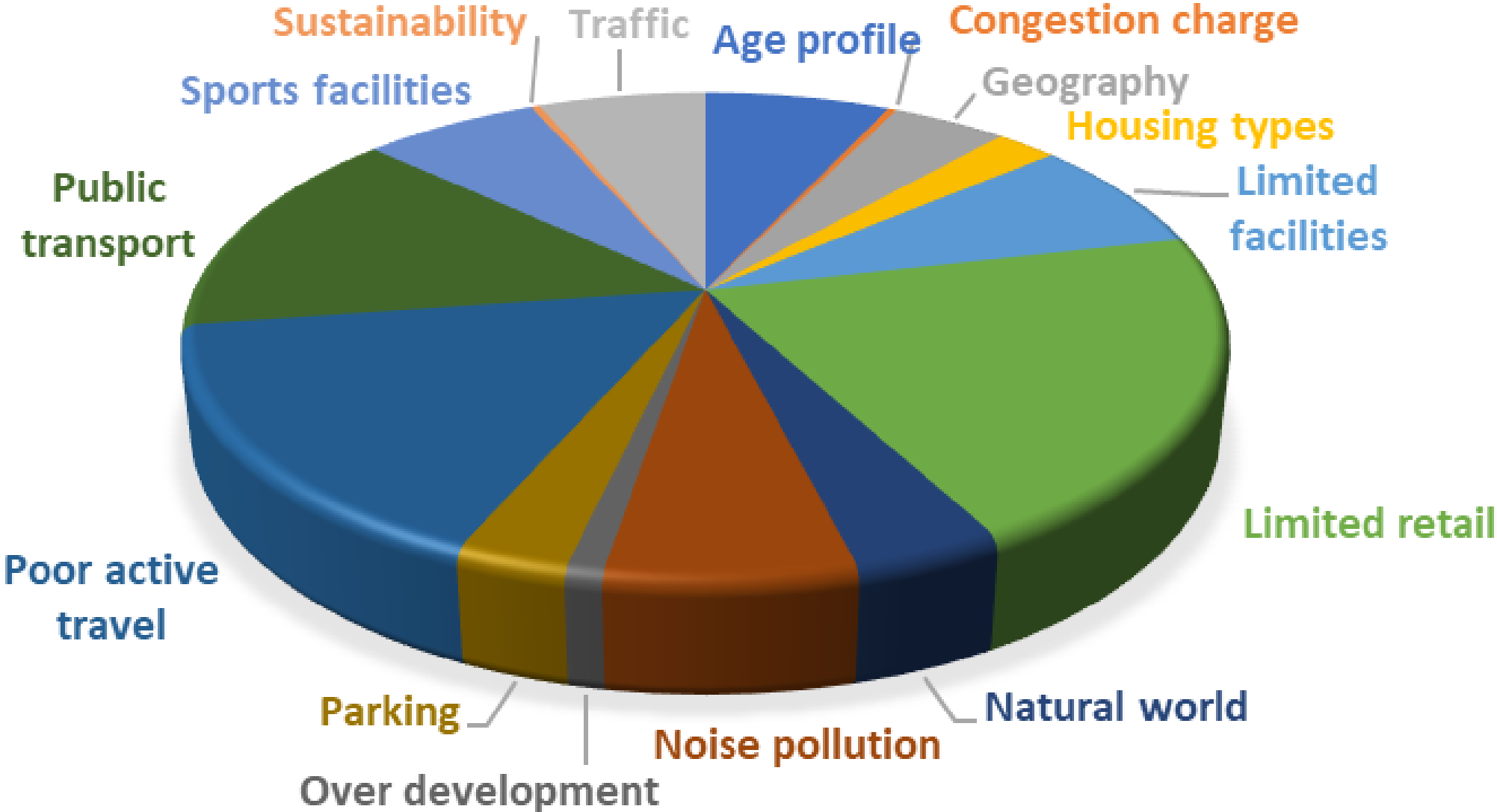
## Progress since last Annual Parish Meeting



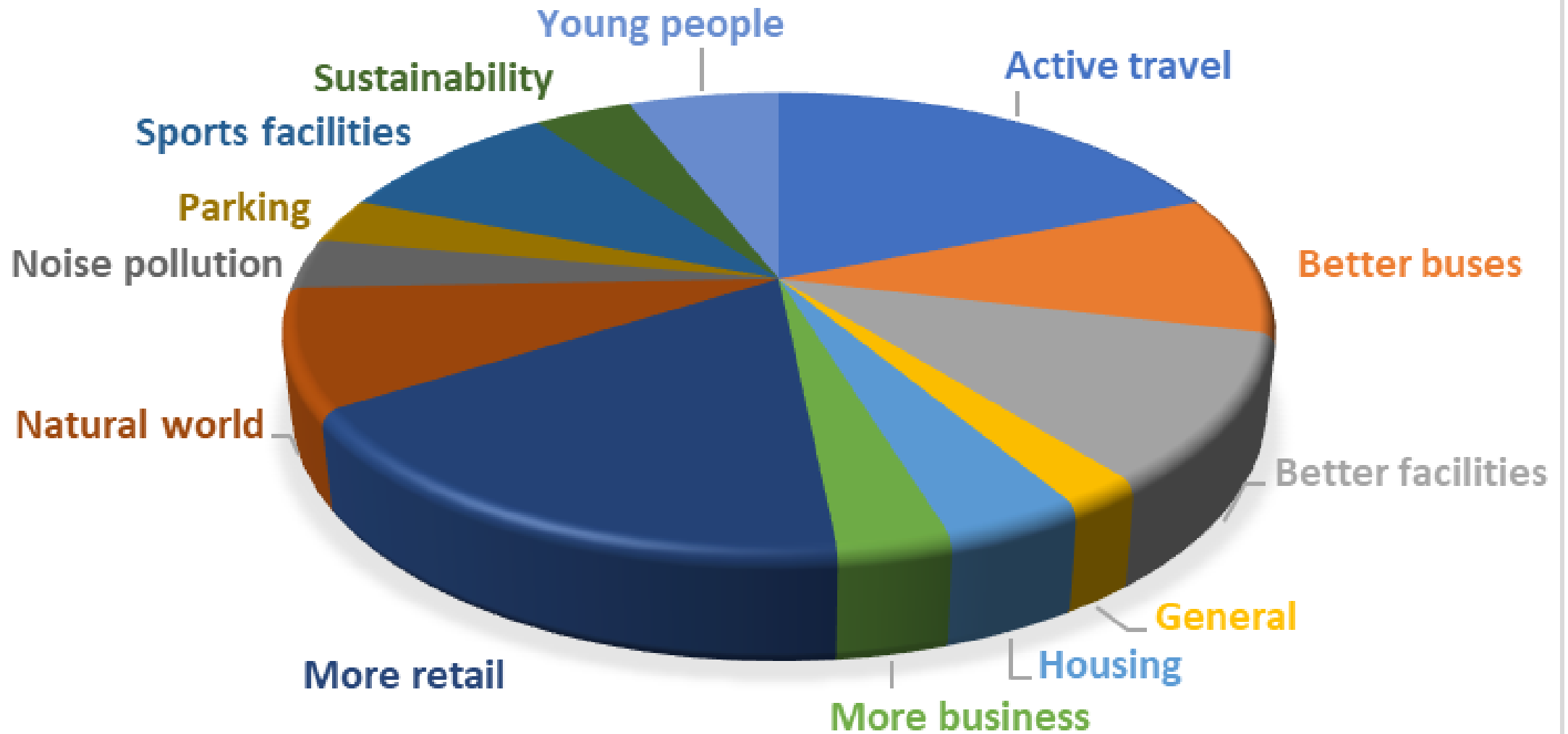
# SWOT SURVEY STRENGTHS



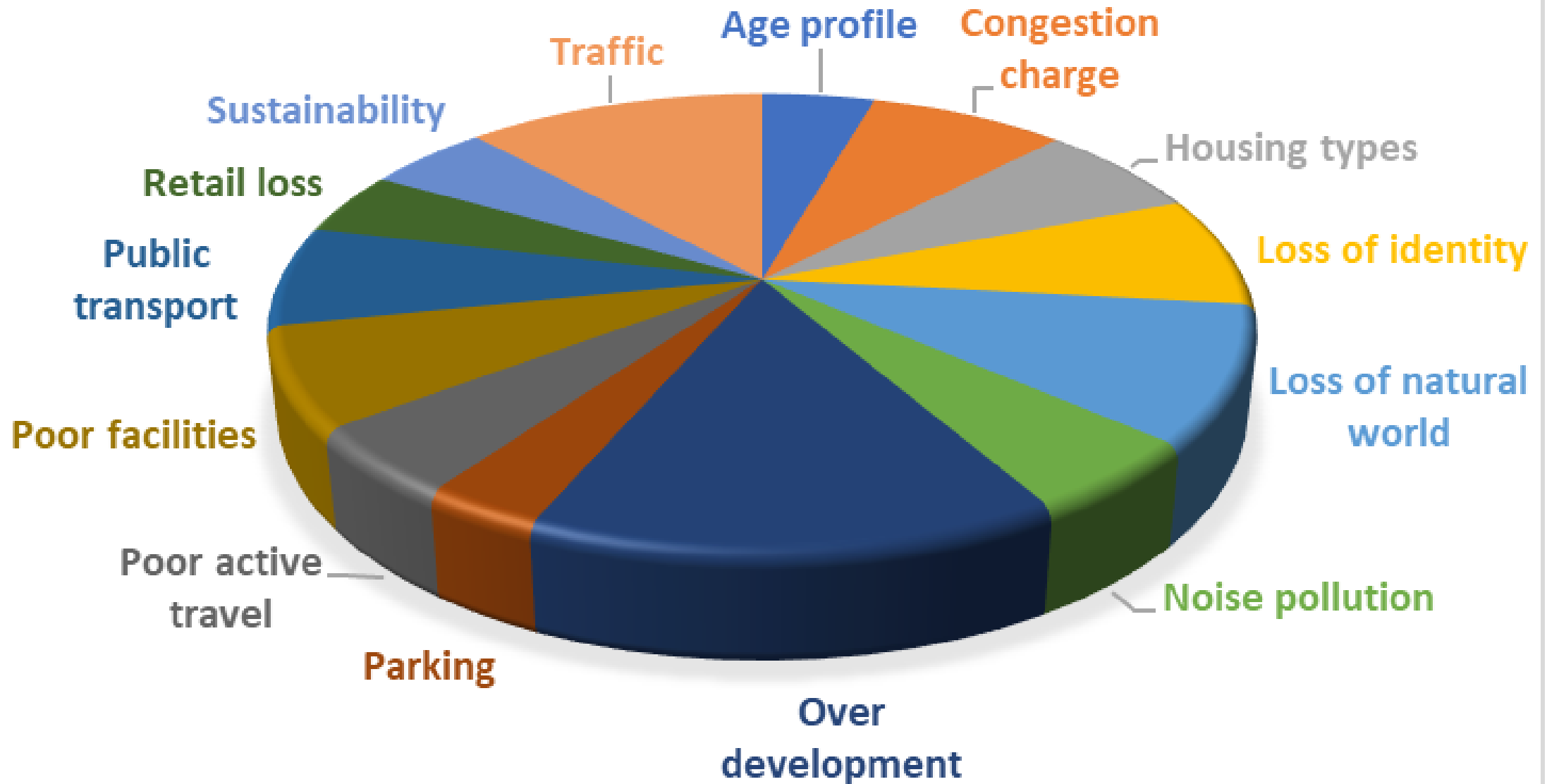
# SWOT SURVEY WEAKNESSES



# SWOT SURVEY OPPORTUNITIES



# SWOT SURVEY THREATS



# Current Action

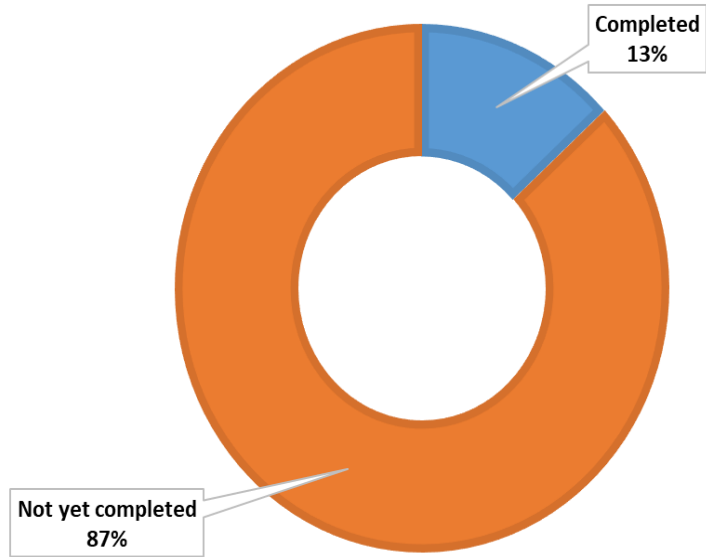
## Parish Survey 2024

Purpose is evidence  
gathering of everyone's  
views



# Responses as at 15 May 2024

## GIRTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN



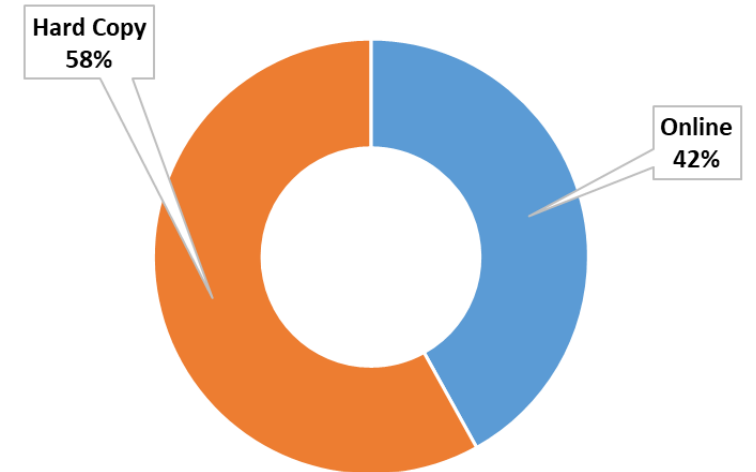
446 Surveys completed AND

Nearly 100 Young Person's survey completed

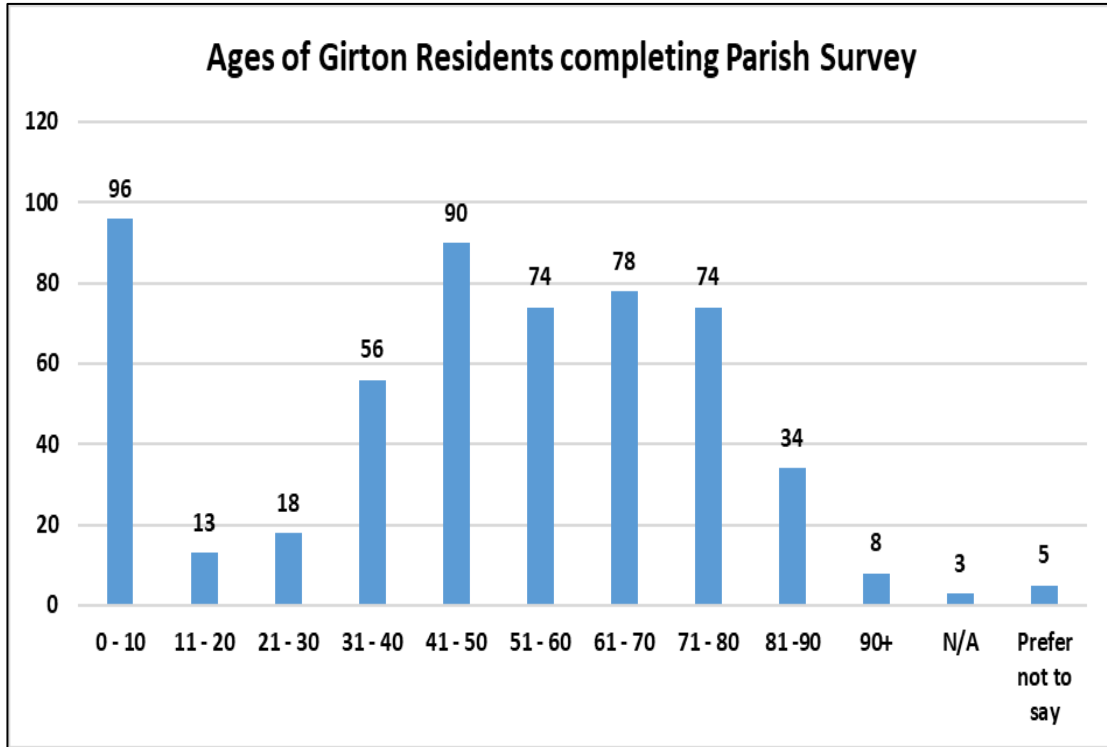
187 Surveys completed on-line

259 Surveys posted back to Girton Parish Council

## Neighbourhood Plan Survey Type



# Responses as at 15 May 2024



Surveys delivered to 1,921 houses in Girton & Eddington.

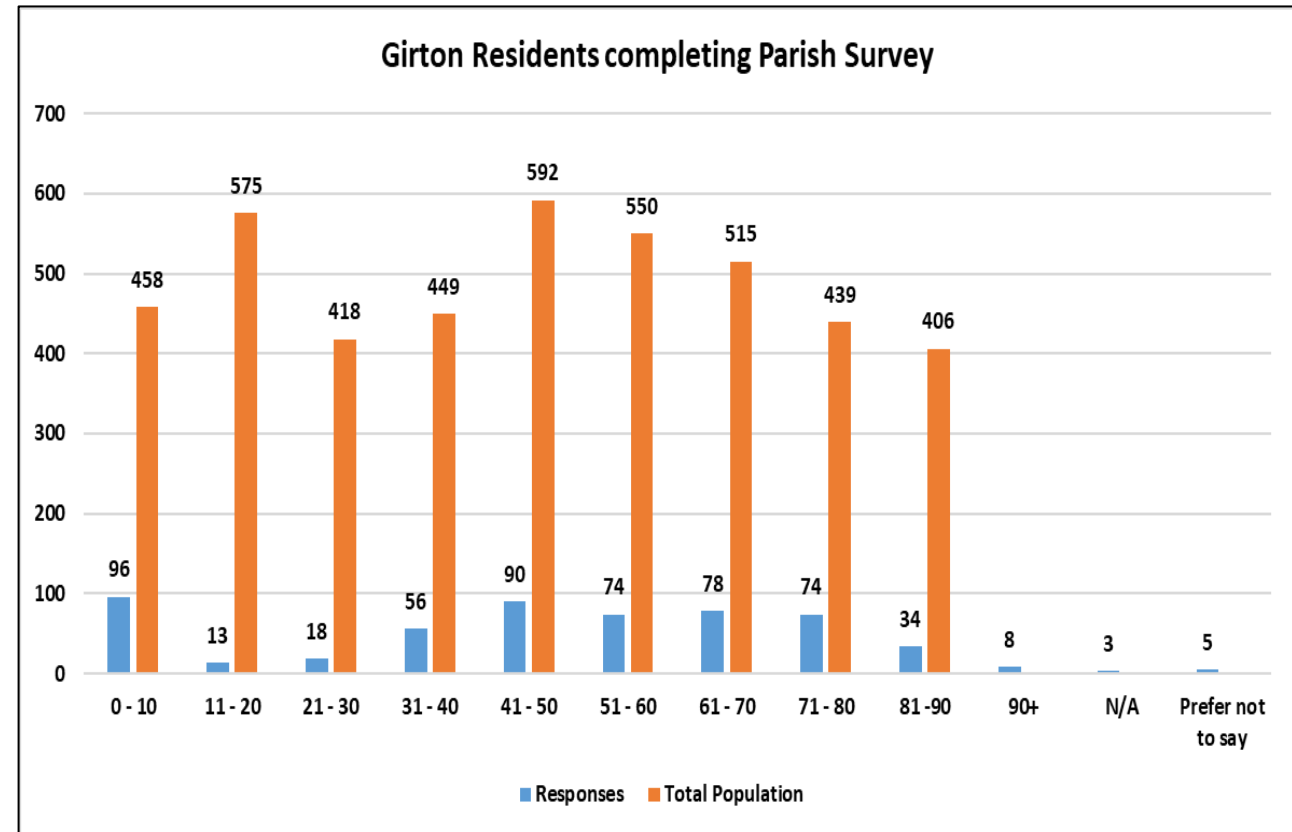
And to Local Businesses and landowners

Online Survey & Young Persons Survey available

Thank you too:

- Volunteers who delivered Surveys
- Girton Glebe School
- Impington Village College

For promoting and encouraging Survey completion



# Thank you Girton Glebe

## for completing Girton's Neighbourhood Plan

Francis Scarlett Kikki Alicia Megan Zara Jemma  
 Jennie Mia Eliza Jacob Theo Felix Timothy  
 Ruben Laurie Marcus Aletha Jasmine Peter

Just a few of the 102 young people who kindly completed the survey for their village

102 Responses

### Favourite thing to do in Girton?

Play more games Going to the park play at the rec  
 Play at the park Play basketball  
 football and basket Girton Colts Play football park Play Minecraft  
 fireman park park and co op dog at the park  
 Play on the swings walks Play with my friends Play at home  
 Playing in the playground Play in the pak

### What would make Girton a better place to live?

car parks zipline in the park  
 things at the park pitch for kids litter pickers bigger park  
 ground trampoline litter park shops swimming pool  
 stations at the park skate park places trampoline park bike park  
 skateboard park dog park swings at the park equipment in the park

### What is your favourite place to go in Girton?

park and the Crown Girton park Park and Cotton  
 school and the park Co-op friends houses  
 house and the park School Park House basketball court  
 Parks and Playgrounds ping pong Rec op and the REC  
 park and the George op and park tennis court fella in the park Woods behind the park

# Thank you, Impington Village College

for completing Girton's Neighbourhood Plan

## What would make Girton a better place to live?



16 Responses to date

20% answered 'Shops' for this question

# Next Actions

**Data Analysis – post 31 May**

**Add to other evidence and  
prepare the Draft Plan**

**Consult you on the Draft  
Plan**



**Amend Plan based on the  
consultation**

**Submit to District Council**

**District Council run further  
consultation**

**Independent Examination**

**Parish Referendum**

# **Further Actions**



***‘Girton’s own  
vision for Girton’***

Thank you



# Girton's Memory Café, Richard de Horsey



## This activity is good for wellbeing because

- socialising with memory-loss can be difficult, but everyone at the Memory Café is understanding and supportive;
- meeting other people with similar experiences tackles loneliness and isolation;
- the Café provides emotional and practical support for carers and family members.

## How to contact

### Phone

📞 01223 276192

### Email

✉️ [richarddehorsey@gmail.com](mailto:richarddehorsey@gmail.com)

### Website

🌐 [www.rotary-ribi.org/clubs](http://www.rotary-ribi.org/clubs)

## Where to go

📍 Community Hall  
St Vincents Close  
Girton  
Cambridge CB3 0PE



## What to expect

The Girton Memory Café provides a warm welcome for people with dementia or memory loss (and their families or carers). The aim is to evoke old memories that are complete and comfortable through refreshments served in china cups, home-made cakes, photos and documents from past years, songs, poems and informal talks – all in a relaxed atmosphere.

No need to book, just turn up on the first Friday of the month from 10.00am to 12.00pm. You don't have to live in Girton to attend – everybody is welcome.

## More information

There's free parking and the venue is wheelchair accessible.



The Girton Memory Café is free to attend.

# Annual Report 2024

**Cambridgeshire County Council**

**Cllr Edna Murphy**

**Annual Report 2024 can be found here:**

**<https://www.girton-cambs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/2024-Annual-Report-county-Bar-Hill-division-7-May-2024.pdf>**



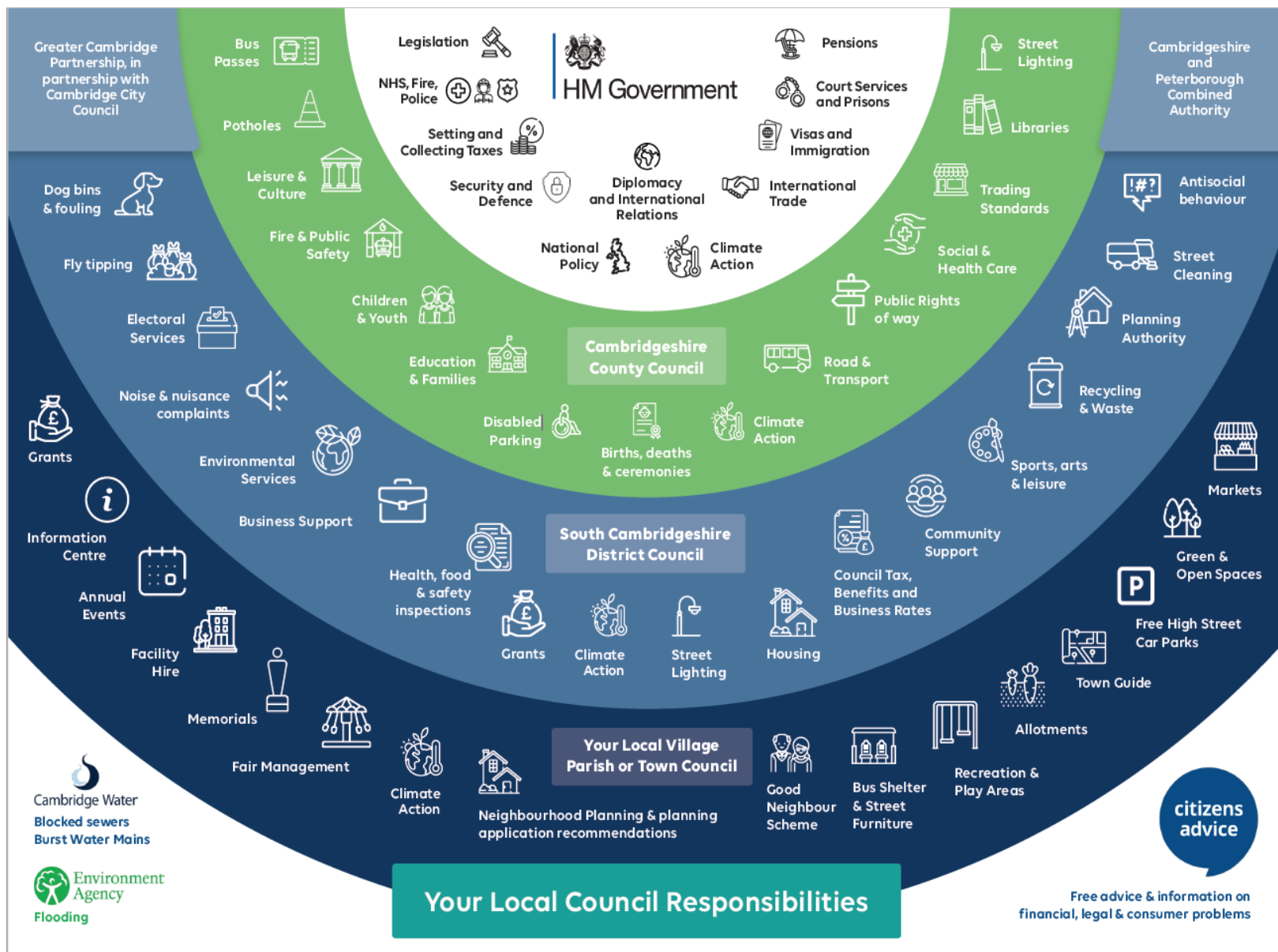
*Cllr Edna Murphy with other members of the Lib Dem county council group pictured at Alconbury Weald*

**Cllr Edna Murphy - County councillor for the Bar Hill division  
(including Bar Hill, Dry Drayton, Girton and Lolworth)**

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Cambridgeshire  
District Council,  
Cllr Richard  
Stobbart



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Free advice & information on financial, legal & consumer problems

# District Council

Local services for South Cambridgeshire's residents, businesses and visitors.



South  
Cambridgeshire  
District Council

 <b>Bin Collections</b>	Collecting waste and helping people recycle more.	 <b>Benefits</b>	Helping people claim what they are entitled to.
 <b>Business Support</b>	Helping local companies set up, grow or diversify.	 <b>Climate and Environment</b>	Monitoring air pollution, tree planting initiatives, grants for local green projects like electric vehicle charging points.
 <b>Collecting Council Tax</b>	This money funds local council services and other public services like Police and Fire crew.	 <b>Communities</b>	Supporting refugees, cost of living support, grants for local projects, helping people become active and ensuring facilities people need are planned for.
 <b>Environmental Health</b>	Rating take-aways for hygiene, anti-social behaviour like loud dog barking, dumping rubbish and noise from loud parties.	 <b>Housing</b>	We have 5,000 Council homes.
 <b>Licensing</b>	Regulating things like late night events at pubs, taxi drivers, checking dog breeders are acting responsibly.	 <b>Planning</b>	Permission for homes and planning the future of our communities eg should new estates, skate parks or nightclubs be allowed?

**HOUSING THAT IS TRULY AFFORDABLE FOR EVERYONE TO LIVE IN**  
We will build vibrant communities in locations where people have good access to facilities and transport links, so they can genuinely afford to lead a happy and healthy life.

**GROWING LOCAL BUSINESSES AND ECONOMIES**  
We will support businesses of all sizes, including rural enterprise and farming, to help create new jobs and opportunities near to where people live.

**BEING GREEN TO OUR CORE**  
We will create a cleaner, greener and zero-carbon future for our communities.

**A MODERN AND CARING COUNCIL**  
We will provide our customers with high-quality services, strive to reduce costs, build on what we are good at to generate our own income and make decisions in a transparent, open and inclusive way.

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