

Annual Town Meeting

16TH MAY 2022



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Ivybridge during 2019-2022...

COVID

- Council continued to operate throughout Covid – including meetings and keeping parks open and looked after
- Officers and Councillors worked throughout
- Supported the Community Response through staffing and running helpline, supporting volunteers and the Community Connector and So Social to coordinate help
- Town Council kept The Watermark going through external grants and furlough to be ready to open as soon as safe – protecting a hard earned facility

Ivybridge during 2019-2022...

COVID

- Community strengthened –
 - Shops survived, opened and thrived
 - Events happened and were supported as sense of community grew
 - Long term support networks and friendships formed
- Worked with PL:21 to deliver new quiet cycle routes

Ivybridge during 2019-2022...

Events

- Tour of Britain
- Christmas 2021



110 views
devontob Amazing reception through #Ivybridge! 🇬🇧🚴🏍️ more

TOUR OF BRITAIN
www.ivybridge.gov.uk
Or call 01752 893...
for more details

To help businesses promote the Tour of Britain's arrival in Ivybridge and encourage footfall to your premises we are inviting you to take part in a 'Decorate your Business' competition.

Prize: £200 cash!

Some ideas here: <https://www.tourofbritain.co.uk/gallery/tour-of-britain-shop-displays/>

Entry open to all business premises within the Ivybridge Town Council boundaries. We will publish a map of all entrants for people to see your efforts and maybe visit your business as customers!

The Judges will visit all entrants Friday 3rd - Monday 6th September. You can be ready earlier if you like to help promote the race and events.

Prize of £200 to be awarded to the businesses premises judged to be the most creatively and originally decorated on the theme of Cycling.

Judging will take place from the outside of your premises so your efforts should be visible to the public and judges from the public highway.

You will be visited during your opening hours so that if you need to take in your decorations while closed, you are not at a disadvantage.

Judges decision is final and no discussion will be entered in to.

STAGE 2
THROUGH IVYBRIDGE FOR THE 1ST TIME!

Devon County Council
Town Events supported by
Ivybridge Town Council & Cllr Roger Croad



Tis The Season To

FREE IVYBRIDGE TOWN CENTRE PARKING LOCAL

Free parking on Saturdays and Sundays (5th & 6th) (12th & 13th)

Ivybridge Christmas Festival

Fore Street, Glanvilles Mill and Erme Court Car Park

Friday 26th November • 15:00 – 20:00

Over 30 artisan food & gift stalls, Festive music, Children's entertainment including juggling, Paw Patrol & rides, Mulled wine & mince pies, Street food and lots more!

#MyIvybridgeAtChristmas #MyPlace

Sponsored by
GLANVILLES MILL AND PALLADIUM BUILDING SUPPLIES

Ivybridge Town Council

Miss Ivy Eve
www.missivevents.com



Ivybridge during 2019-2022...

Community

- Ivybridge in Bloom – achieved two awards at SWIB – supported by Town Council via plants and watering
- Christmas Hampers 2020 & 2021 – instead of a dinner, volunteers and financial support from sponsors including local businesses & County and District Councillors, enabled delivery of hampers on Christmas day to those alone at Christmas.



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Ivybridge during 2019-2022...

Community Support from Town Council

- Grants to support delivery of Citizens Advice, Youth Leisure Nights, RBL Remembrance Sunday event, Fireworks at the Rugby Club, Ring and Ride and more
- Part funded Community Connector role with South Hams CVS
- Supported and coordinated volunteers for Christmas Day dinner in 2019
- Parish Paths Partnership – supported DCC by helping to maintain and improve paths with help from volunteers including a new accessible path into Longtimber Wood, in partnership with Dartmoor National Park.



Ivybridge during 2019-2022...

Biodiversity

- 1000s of trees
- Wildflower meadows
- BioBlitz day at Filham



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Ivybridge during 2019-2022...

Town Council projects in progress

- Filham Consultation, and Masterplan now in place and Section 106 funding ring-fenced to deliver £100ks of improvements
- Butterpark to be used to create homes for local people and adults with learning disabilities
- Rewilding and managing land for informal recreation

Ivybridge during 2019-2022...

Other Town Council day to day activity

- Managing and maintaining around 100 acres of open space and parkland
- Running The Watermark providing cultural and entertainment as well as a community hub
- Provide land for the Allotment Association
- Subsidised spaces for community use and to facilitate organisations to deliver services
- Managing Woodlands Cemetery

Ivybridge during 2019-2022...

Town Clerks

- Previous Town Clerk Lesley Hughes retired in December 2020
- She was Town Clerk since 2001. Lesley has since sadly passed away and will be greatly missed.

- New Town Clerk, Jonathan Parsons was appointed in late 2020 but has work for the Town Council for nearly 10 years.



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Including: District Councillor Victor Abbott,
Skate South Devon & PL:21

Skate South Devon

*Strengthening Communities
Through Skateboarding*



Planned Engagement and Activities

- Continue to advocate for the best wheeled-sports facilities in the South Hams here in Ivybridge
- Work in partnership with ITC to deliver a ground-breaking facility at Filham
- Free coaching and beginner skateboard sessions during the summer in collaboration with Skateboard GB
- Art workshops in partnership with the Clay Factory and talented local artists
- UK premiere of an important skateboarding documentary - 'Made In Venice' at the Watermark
- Exploring the possibility of temporary art installations around Ivybridge - for example at the current skate park
- Working with local businesses to develop positive returns for the community

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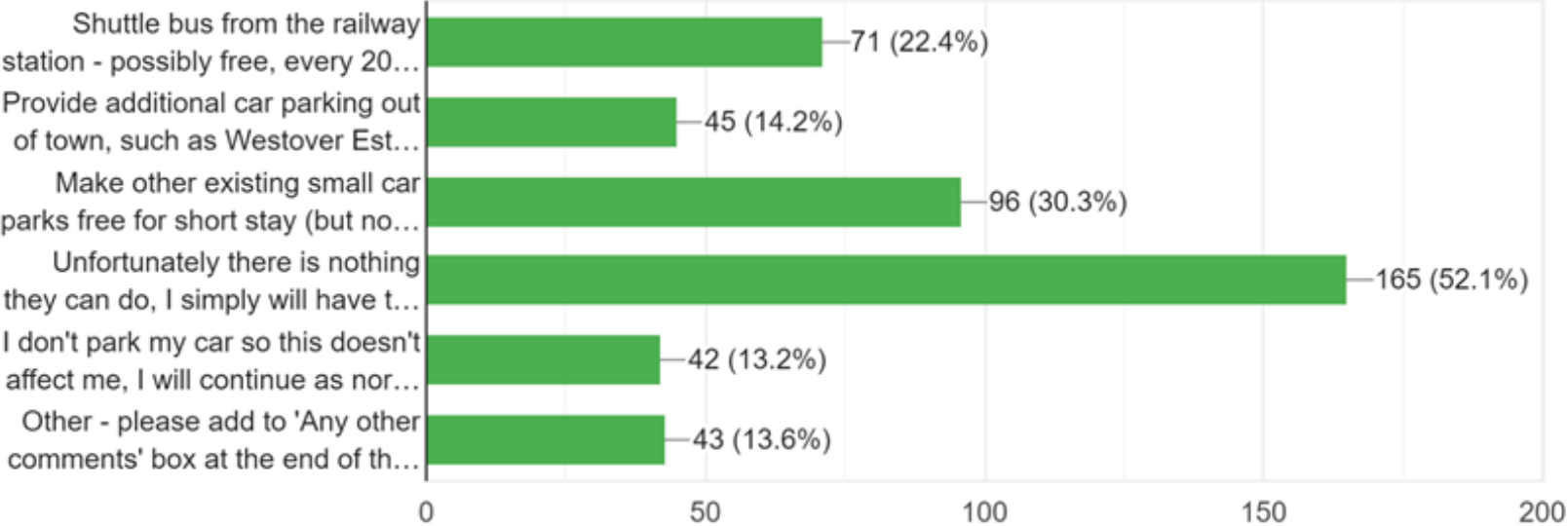
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During the construction period which could be around 15 months, both Glanvilles Mill car park and the Leonards Road car park could be closed for anything from 6-12 months. This may also mean the main Glanvilles Mill bridge will also be closed during this time. How do you feel this will affect you with regard to the following:

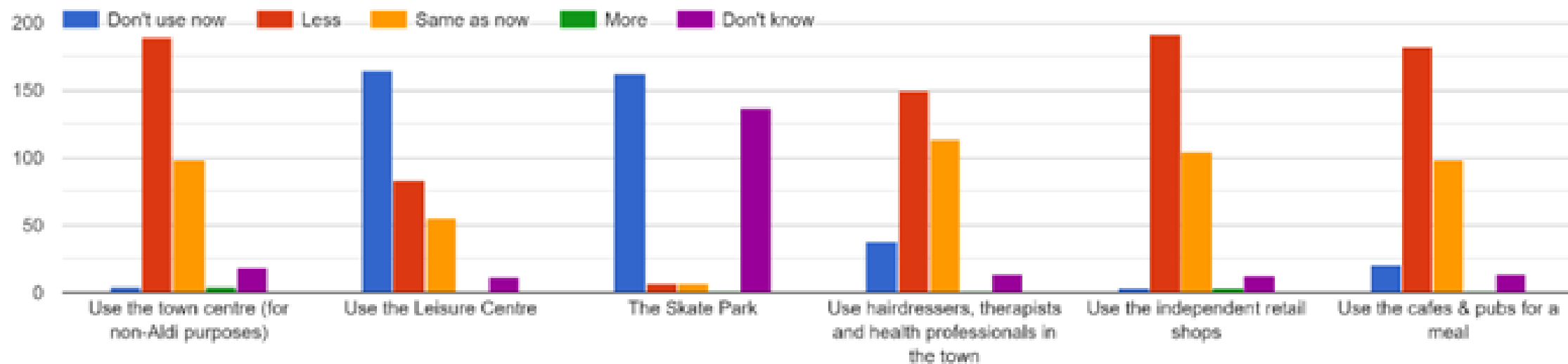


Realistically, what would be acceptable things South Hams could do to help you continue to use the town centre during the construction period?

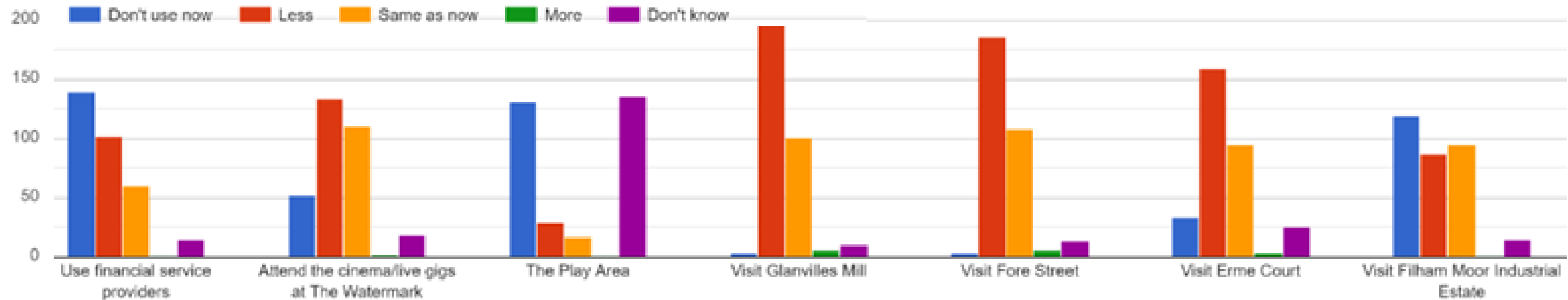
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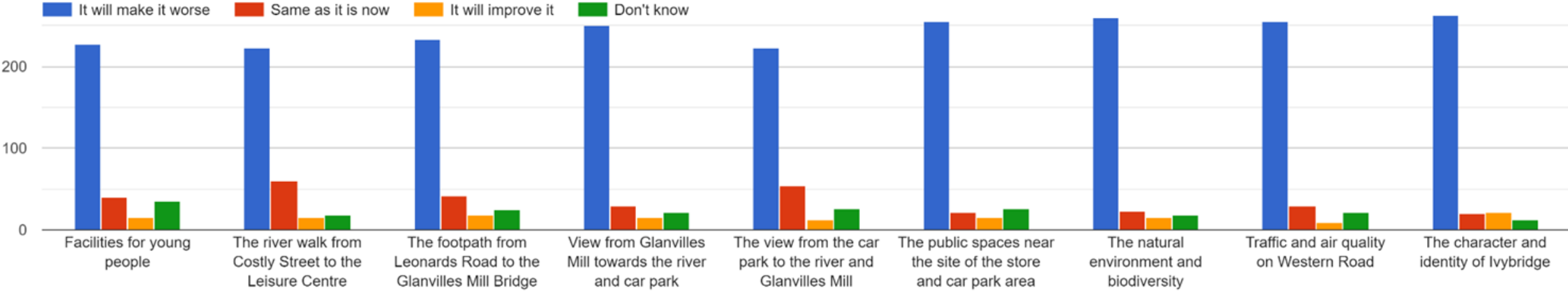
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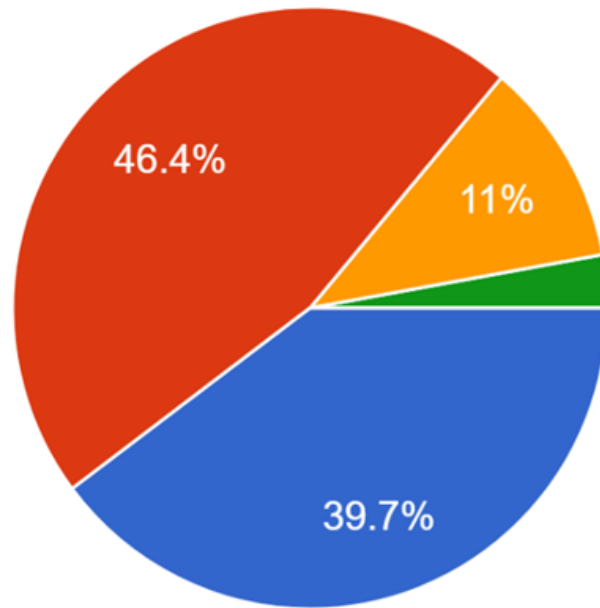


How do you feel the final plans will affect the following:



Thinking about the 'Regeneration' project in general, what would be your response to South Hams District Council:

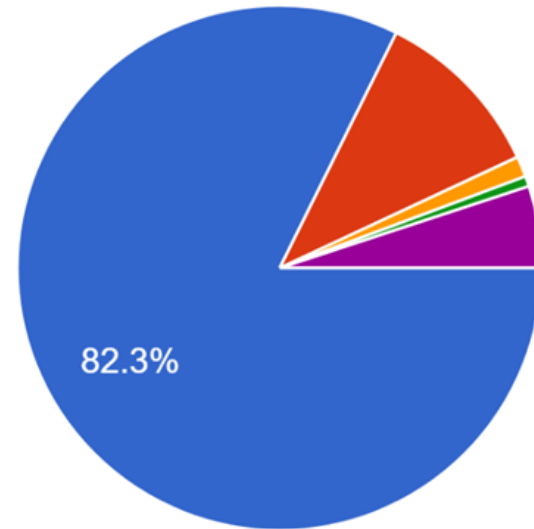
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- This planning application does not contribute to a 'Regeneration' of Ivybridge, please rethink the plans
- This planning application does not contribute to a 'Regeneration' of Ivybridge, but I would like to see a dis...
- Yes, I am happy the plans contribute to the 'Regeneration' of Ivybridge and I a...
- Other - please add to 'Any other comments' box below

Do you work in Ivybridge town centre?

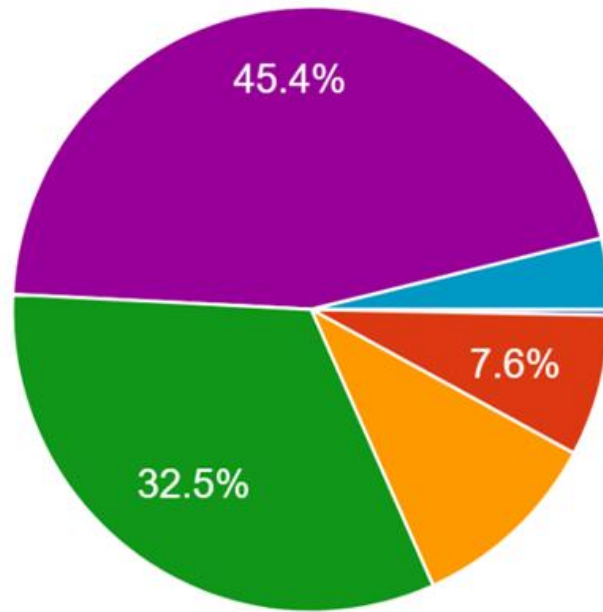
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- No
- Yes, and I am worried I will not be able to continue working in Ivybridge during construction and after completion as t...
- Yes, I currently use my car and I am happy to find alternative parking on street or in the limited small car parks...
- Yes, I currently use my car and I am happy to switch to walk/cycle/public tr...
- Yes, but I don't drive to work

Your age?

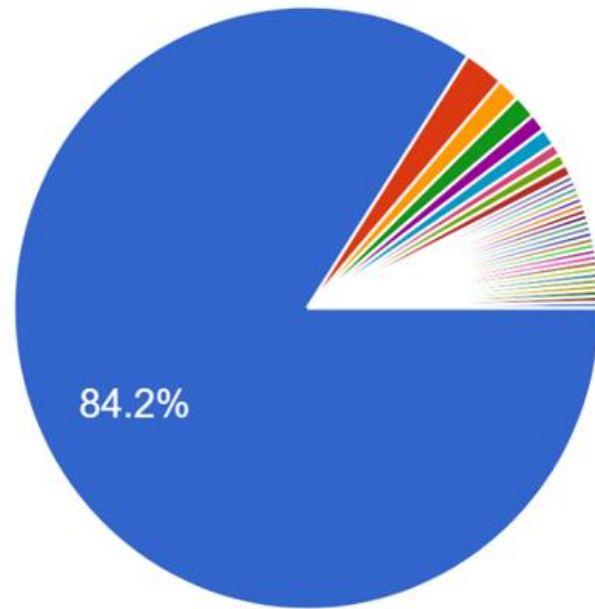
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- Under 16
- 16-34
- 35-44
- 45-64
- 65+
- Prefer no to say

Do you live in Ivybridge? If not where do you live?

317 responses



- Yes
- Plymouth
- Bittaford
- Plympton
- ?
- Ugborough
- Avonwick
- Cornwood

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Regeneration of Town Centre

Should Ivybridge accept these SHDC plans or suggest alternatives?

For example:

- Facilities for young people
- Enhance river with terraces, benches, gardens
- Town signage and 'brand'
- Resurfacing and new street furniture in Fore Street
- Enhancements to open spaces around town centre eg car parks, green spaces etc
- SHDC to buy second bridge site from Glanvilles Mill to add to connectivity
- What else?

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Town Council Priorities

Already in the pipeline:

- Filham Park improvements
- Victoria Park/MacAndrews play areas
- Butterpark
- Wheeled Sports
- Town Events – Jubilee, Christmas, Bridge Ceremony?
- Support for Youth Projects

- What else?
 - How can it be funded?
 - What community groups could help, or need support, to do it?



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