

Radwinter

Village Appraisal 2005

Following a Government initiative to find out the wishes of local people about their community, a steering group for a Radwinter Parish Plan was set up at a public meeting on 2nd October 2004. The objective of this steering group was to carry out a village appraisal and then produce a Parish Plan describing the aims and needs of the village. This will help the Parish Council to plan in an informed way for the future of the village and to work with other tiers of local government, such as Uttlesford District Council, Essex County Council, and other agencies. The Village Appraisal document is a precursor to the Parish Plan. It is based on the responses to questionnaires distributed to every house and business in the parish of Radwinter.

The most recent 2001 census figures give the total population of Radwinter as 595. The 168 returned questionnaires related to 454 inhabitants. This represents 76% of a possible total which we consider sufficient to give a representative picture of our village. The following document contains a brief analysis of your responses compared, where possible, with the analysis of the 1994 Village Appraisal.

The Parish Plan will reflect this Appraisal. The challenge lies in maintaining a balance – retaining those aspects of the village which people value, while preserving its character and ensuring that there is appropriate development and growth to keep a lively, mixed community.

So there is still some way to go to produce the Parish Plan. The Steering Committee has been considering the format and what should be the key Action Points that have arisen from the Village Appraisal.

And here's where you come in...if you want a chance at Steering the Steering Group we've organised a Public Meeting in **Radwinter Village Hall**, on **Saturday 1st July, 10am to 3pm**. The idea is that you can drop in at any time during the day, have a look what we have done so far and contribute your own ideas.

Make a note in your diary **now** - we look forward to seeing you there.

Sue Bright April 2006

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2 Overview

2.1 Household

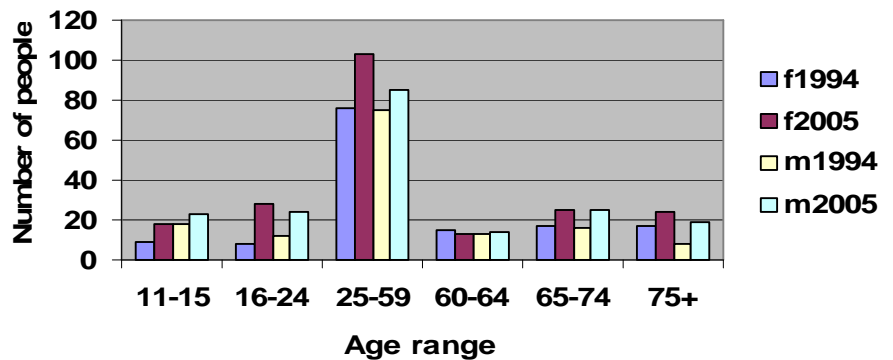
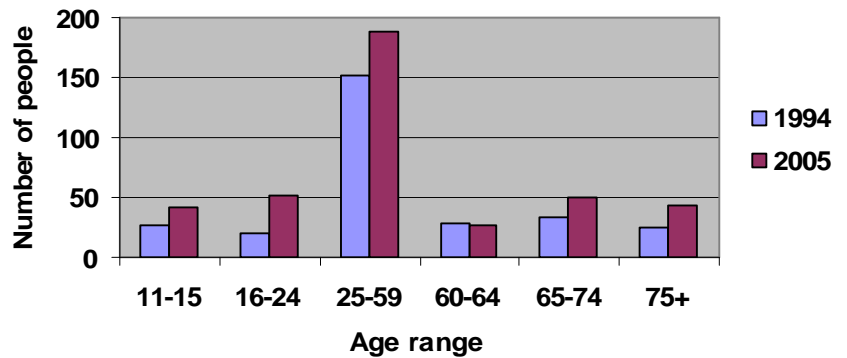
Question 2 - Age/sex group comparison 1994-2005

To make a comparison with the data from the 1994 appraisal the age groups have been amalgamated.

The graph shows that, of the number of people responding, the 11-59 age range has increased considerably in number since 1994 and the 60+ group has remained static but the overall distribution is essentially similar.

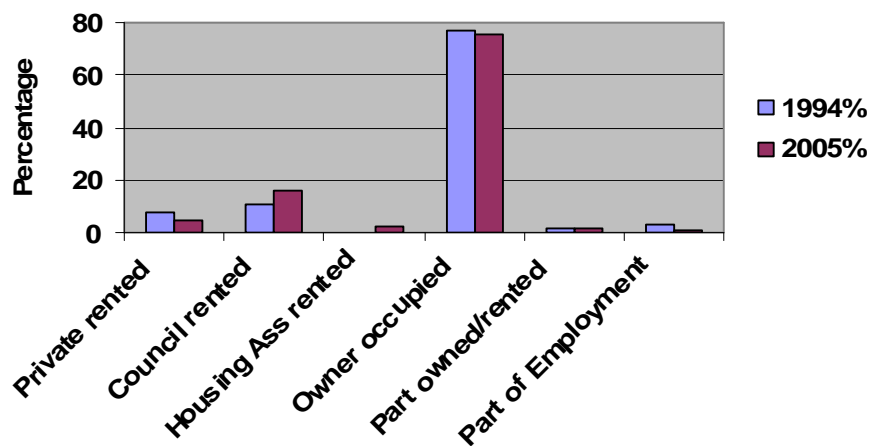
Looking at the age and sex distribution it is clear that in the 11-24 range the number of females now are over double the number of females in 1994.

The rest remain approximately static but it would seem the proportion of males to females in the 75+ range has almost doubled as in 1994 there were half as many males as females but now are about the same.



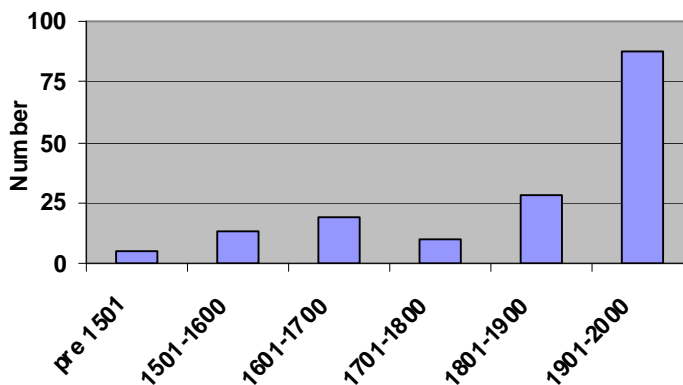
Question 3 - Type of dwelling

Private rented accommodation has almost halved from 7% in 1994 to 4.6% in 2005. Local Authority rented is almost unchanged 10% to 9.3% whereas 'as part of employment' has dropped from 3% to 0.9%, which reflects the trend in the reduction of agricultural workers.

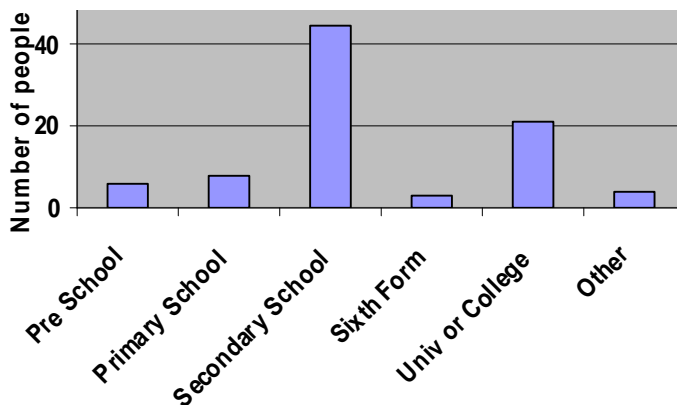


Question 4 - When dwelling was built

See detailed replies on page 11 for breakdown in 20th century. A lot of dwellings will undoubtedly have been replacements so the conclusion that there are more houses now may not be correct.

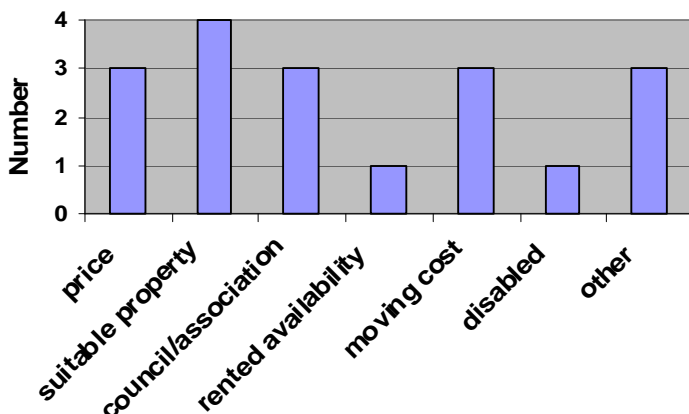


Question 5 - Attendance at educational establishments



Questions 6/7 - Need of alternative accommodation

In 1994 3% of the respondents were looking for alternative accommodation, in 2005 the proportion has almost doubled to 5.6%. The chart shows the reasons for those who are unable to move to accommodation of the type needed; almost half stating the lack of suitable property to buy or the lack of local authority/housing association homes.



Questions 8/9/10 - People have left because:

Nine people have left in the last year, six for further education, three to live independently or set up home with a partner and not able to find a suitable property to buy or rent in Radwinter.

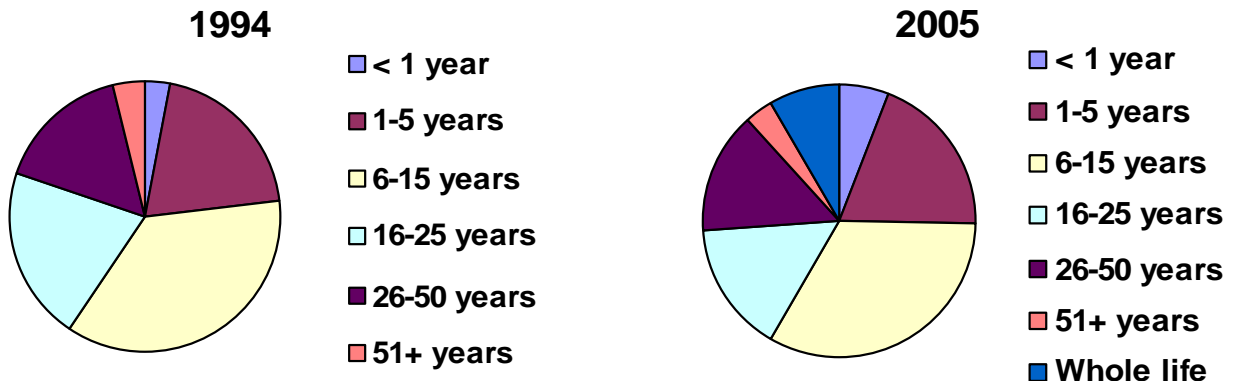
Question 11 - Roadworthy vehicles kept by households:

Cars	291
Vans	19
Motor bikes	12

Total 322 for 347 people aged 18 and over !!

2.2 Personal

Question 14 - Time lived in Radwinter



There was an extra category option 'whole life' in the 2005 survey but overall the pie charts indicate similar proportions for both 1994 and 2005 but taken together the 6-25 year range has decreased slightly from over 50% in 1994 to below 50% in 2005 and the 1-5 range has slightly increased.

Question 15 - What is most important to you about Radwinter

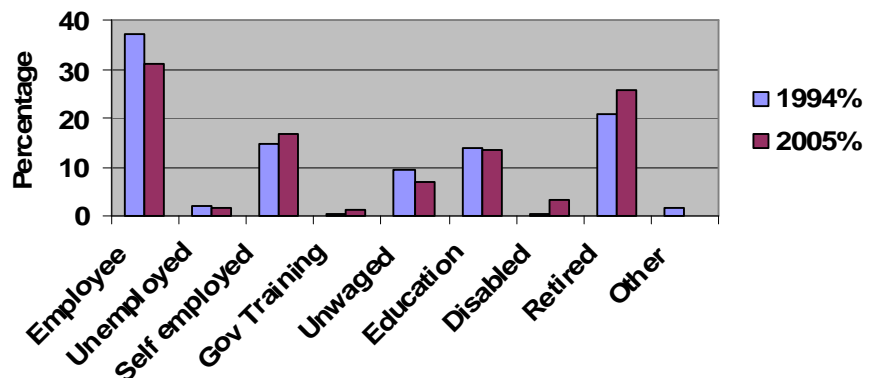
'Love of country life' was clearly the most popular with 57.4% of your 'votes'. Next came 'Attractive area' (40.8%), 'The environment' (35.5%) and 'Love of village life' (31.3%).

Question 16 - Quality of life compared to 1995

Peoples views of the quality of life compared to ten years ago were mostly the same (120) or did not know (123). The people who thought life worse (69) were treble the number who thought it better (22).

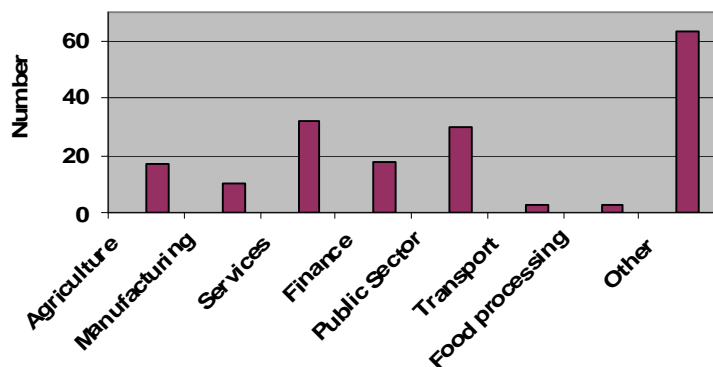
Question 17 - Employment

The chart shows a comparison of the employment percentages for 1994 and 2005. The proportion of employees has dropped slightly and the number of self-employed has risen.

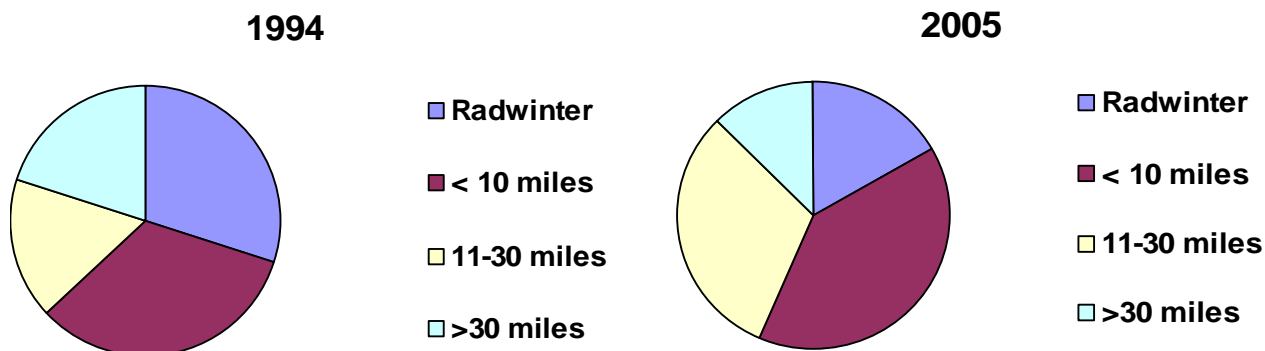


Question 18 - Major employer's business

We obviously needed more categories!

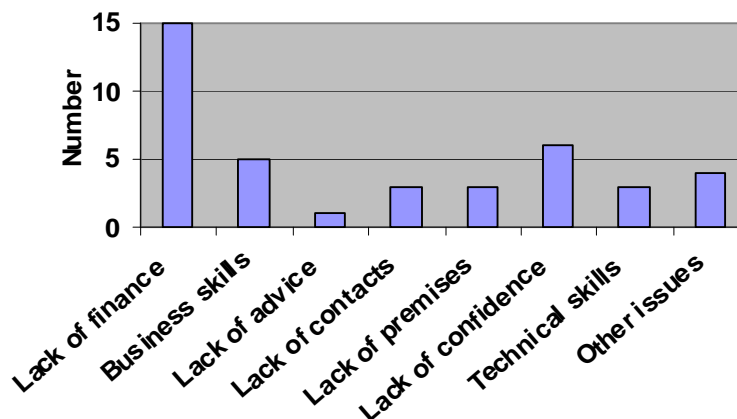


Question 19 - Main place of work



The charts show that the proportion of people who work in the village now is about half of that in 1994. Similarly the proportion of those who work over 30 miles away has reduced by about 50%. The proportion of those that travel outside Radwinter but less than 30 miles away is now about 75% whereas in 1994 it was approximately 50%.

Question 20 - Barriers to becoming self-employed



Question 21/22/23 - Transport

Approximately 90% experience no parking problems but there are clearly some concerns covering 'parking at focal points such as the school, church and hall' and that there should be fewer cars, vans and trucks parked in roads. Over 75% never use the bus and the 10% that use the bus regularly do so primarily for shopping. Thirty-nine people were prepared to take part in a voluntary transport service.

Question 24 - School

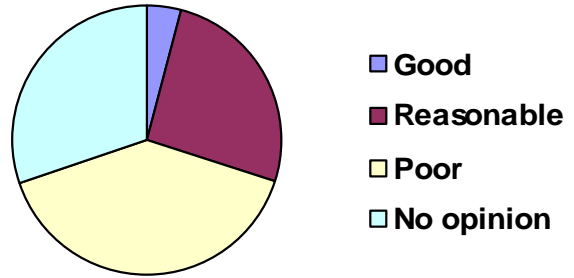
A massive 82% consider the school to be very important to the community.

Questions 25/26/31/32/34 - Classes/activities

Interest was shown in the selection of classes listed with yoga, languages, computing and walking the most popular. The most well attended existing clubs are the youth club, WI and Over 60's with many offers to help organise and run activities.

Question 27 - Police coverage

It would appear the perception of our police coverage is variable



Question 28/29/30 - Post Office and Shop

There is a lot of usage of the Post Office and a strong wish to also have a shop, possibly combined with the post office. Many people say they would help.

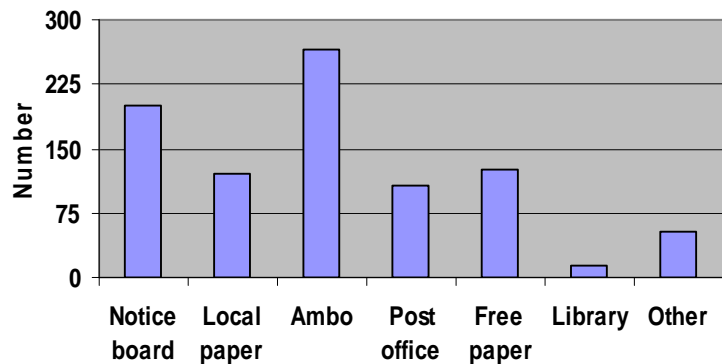
Question 33 - Play area/recreation ground

Most respondents thought the range and quality of the equipment to be good or reasonable but there may be some concerns about the location. 'The wall is too close to the bowls club'. There were suggestions that an all weather surface should be provided for 5-a-side football, tennis and basketball.

Question 35/36 - Information about events in Radwinter

Just over 83% of you said Ambo was where you usually got your information and 60% said the notice board.

76% said the amount of information is good or reasonable, 12% poor.



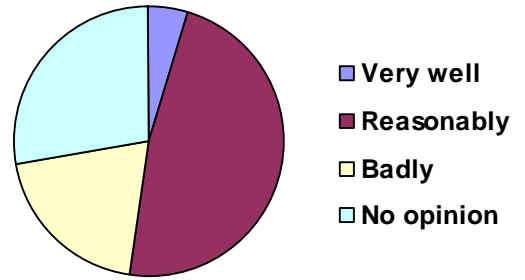
Question 37 - Telephone box usage

Only one person uses often and 31 occasionally.

Questions 38/39/40/41/47 - Local council

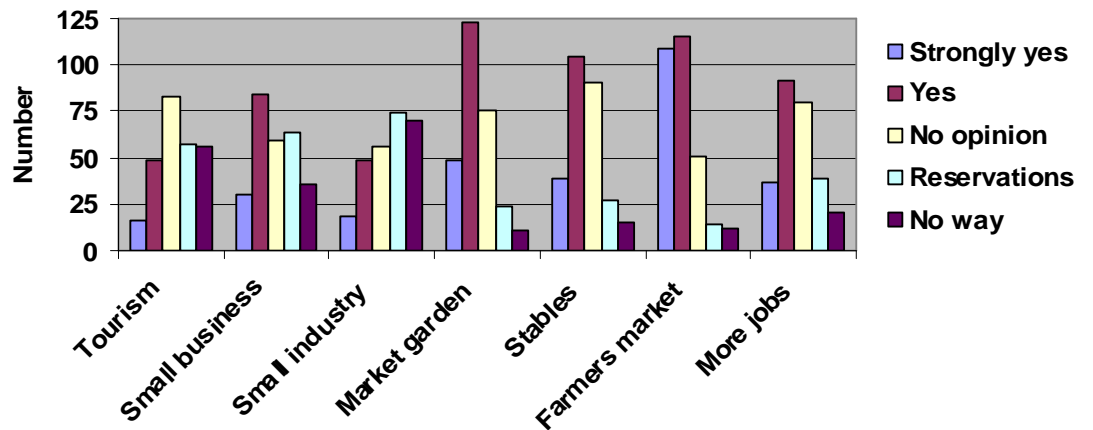
Over 80% have never attended a parish council meeting and many had no opinion on whether issues discussed reflected local concerns. Almost 75% (of those that had an opinion) considered that the local Council publicises its decisions and activities reasonably well.

Your responses indicate that local elected representatives are aware of local concerns and feelings at both parish and district level but less so at county. About 60% (of those with an opinion) were satisfied with the way the planning system is implemented in Radwinter.



Question 42/43 - Encourage?

There would appear to be quite a lot of support for activities of various sorts.



Question 44 - Accommodation needs for Radwinter

The table shows a breakdown by age groups against anticipated accommodation needs for Radwinter. The left hand column shows the categories offered on the questionnaire and the numbers in the table are the direct counts of the responses e.g. the **16** in column '11-17' and row 'young people' is the number of 11-17 year olds that opted for 'houses for young people'. The table shows how the overall totals, in the summary data section, for question 44 are made up across the age ranges.

	11-17	18-24	25-44	45-59	60-64	65-74	75-84	85+	Total
Young people	16	16	43	55	18	27	14	6	195
Large family	2	5	14	11	1	4	1	0	38
Small family	12	10	31	45	14	24	10	4	150
Executive	0	2	2	4	0	1	0	0	9
Disabilities	1	8	23	21	10	8	5	1	77
Singles	4	10	15	30	6	12	5	0	82
None needed	3	6	30	22	5	7	6	0	79
Other	2	2	3	2	2	3	1	0	15
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Looking at the 18-24 age range they are clearly in favour of homes for single people, their 10 is a higher proportion than for any other age group; the 30 in the 45-59 age range is also high – perhaps these are the parents of the 18-24's.

Comments about housing ranged from:

'more housing for young families, starter homes, we need to have a reasonable turnover to prevent becoming a dormitory village', 'a mixture of affordable and open market housing ...which could in turn lead to the creation of a village shop and more children at the school', '...should be kept in East View Close' to:

'no more houses to be built', 'stay as it is', 'no more ...in East View Close'.

So we have the full range there!

Questions 45/46 - Acceptable development

The majority want small development, if at all, but there is some support for businesses that will provide employment.

Question 48 - Church importance

Clearly the church is still very important to us.

Question 49 - Local environment

There is strong support for recycling (77%), improved public transport (66%), traffic reduction (50%), and energy saving (50%).

There is support for community composting (34%), local employment (34%), improved rights of way (25%), car sharing (18%) and advice on healthier lifestyles (18%).

About 13% had no ideas or did not know what to do.

Question 50/55 - Environment importance and improvements

Woodland, hedges, ditches meadows, traditional farm buildings and footpaths are clearly very important to lots of people and many would like to see these improved.

Other observations

Many of you felt that walking could attract visitors and residents alike. Well over 50% know where the local footpaths are and over 40% can use them without difficulty, but signposting could be better and 31 of you said you would be willing to help maintain them – watch this space! Some of the problems that have been encountered on the footpaths are mud/water, crops across the path, bushes and nettles being commented on the most by just over 50% of you. It is clear that there is a need for leaflets with maps of local footpaths and just over 35% would like guided walks.

It is clear that the majority are in favour of a Farmers market.

It is clear that Radwinter Primary School is very important to the local community and that the Church is greatly valued as an historic building, a focal point for the community. Many of you would use a community shop and some volunteered to help.

A large majority felt that it is very important to look after woodlands (66%) and plant more hedges and trees (35%). Clearly the most important features of the surrounding countryside are woods, hedges, ditches, meadows, green fields, wild flowers, birds, wild animals and footpaths. 'What about a wind turbine or 2?'

Recycling, improved public transport and reducing traffic would enhance the local environment.

There were many comments related to traffic: *'more improved speed restrictions; being able to see traffic at crossroads', 'strong concerns of speed in village especially motorbikes', 'encourage cycling by making cycle-ways e.g. Water Lane if it is blocked to cars', 'cycle path to S Walden and station', 'cut traffic speed and noise', 'more traffic calming', 'limit transport in quiet lanes', 'a pedestrian crossing at the crossroads', 'zebra crossing at the school', 'reduce urban influence i.e. too many traffic signs – they are ugly', 'less creeping urbanisationthe centre...has been spoilt by road "improvements"', 'I am very concerned about what Stansted airport many do to lessen the peace of Radwinter'.*

There were many comments about improving community spirit and having more community events: *'whole village activities like open air concerts on the rec', 'more genuine all community meetings/activities', 'we need a heart, the pub is not enough...with a shop so that people can commune and get together', '...simple social events to bring people together', 'tea room would be nice where people could meet/chat'.*

Some of your comments about the appraisal process

'Shorter questionnaires give more chance of focussed feedback and honest answers. Many questions are variation on a theme.'

'Some opportunities for information collection missed: second homes/second homeowners; daily population movement within area; access to secondary education/private education; percentage already attending adult ed classes.'

'Good idea to do the questionnaire. Lets hope we can find a good central location where we can all get together as regularly as we want to enjoy life with our fellow villagers.'

'In my opinion a village appraisal is a bad idea. The results will be used over the next decade to implement changes suggested regardless of changing circumstances in years to come.'

Perhaps this person would like to join us to make sure it does not happen!

'If over 50% of these forms are returned, I feel you will be well on the way to refurbishing the Village Community.' It was about 68% of questionnaires returned with individual responses for 76% of the population as stated in the preface.

2.3 Youth

We had 48 responses to this questionnaire, representing most of the young people in the village. The age and sex of the respondents was fairly equally spread, most of whom are in full time education.

Most travelled by car or bus to school or work and not many were members of Radwinter Clubs. The majority of young people socialised in Saffron Walden or Cambridge, at the cinema, shopping areas, the common and cafes. When in Radwinter most people meet up in friends' houses or on the recreation ground.

There was interest in attending new clubs if offered, with an overwhelming request for Tennis. Other dominant interests were Music, Table Tennis, Art and Crafts, Football, Drama and Computer/internet.

Suggestions for focal points and improvements to village were: Youth centre, club house, small café, and a hard surface area for basketball, skateboarding, rollerblading and tennis.

The things young people like most about Radwinter are:

It's environment – clean, nice countryside, safe and friendly. The recreation ground, the school and the pub were also mentioned.

The things young people dislike about Radwinter are:

No shops, nothing to do and poor transport and cars speeding through the village

Changes they would like to see are: better transport, cycle paths, slow down cars through the village, and create hard play surface on recreation ground.

2.4 Business

Twenty three businesses replied to the questionnaire, although only about half gave contact details and about half were interested in being listed in a village directory. The 1994 survey did not have a business section, although 14 households (11%) ran businesses in the parish then.

All eight business categories operate in the village, with agriculture the largest sector (22%), much higher than the national average and reflecting Radwinter's rural position and agricultural heritage. Over half have been operating for over 10 years with evidence of slow growth - on average one new business per year. Employment numbers are static and several jobs are part-time. Over half (55%) of employees live in Radwinter.

Most businesses seemed fairly contented, in premises of about the right size (most on domestic premises), had few recruitment or retention problems and couriers/customers were largely able to find them. However, two businesses sought new premises, with one likely to leave the village.

Most were happy with the road system, although 24% were concerned about speed or parking and wanted more effective control measures. Most thought services good or satisfactory, with the highest level of dissatisfaction relating to the internet. [This was before Broadband became available]. Over two thirds of businesses have email addresses and a third have websites.

This group showed more support for development, particularly of small businesses, than the general population, although there were strong opposing views too.

3 Detailed replies

The Household and Personal details were produced using the University of Gloucestershire Village Appraisal software program. This software allows analysis in various ways, such as the difference between male and female responses. Only the basic analysis is given here.

3.1 Household

Number of Households returning questionnaires: 168

1 People including children normally living in Radwinter: 454

2 People by age group and sex:

Age group years	Female	Male	Age group years	Female	Male
0-4	7	11	5-10	21	14
11-15	23	18	16-17	10	3
18-24	14	25	25-44	42	53
45-59	43	50	60-64	14	13
65-74	25	25	75-84	15	20
85+	4	4			

3 Dwelling:

Private rented	7 (4.2%)	Owner occupied	126 (75.0 %)
Local authority rented	27 (16.1 %)	Shared ownership (part owned/part rented)	2 (1.2 %)
Housing Association rented	4 (2.4 %)	Provided as part of employment (e.g. Agricultural)	1 (0.6 %)

4 Dwellings built (approximately):

pre 1501	5 (3.0 %)	1801-1900	28 (16.7 %)	1971-1980	15 (8.9 %)
1501-1600	13 (7.7 %)	1901-1930	10 (6.0 %)	1981-1990	8 (4.8 %)
1601-1700	19 (11.3 %)	1931-1950	18 (10.7 %)	1991-2000	12 (7.1 %)
1701-1800	10 (6.0 %)	1951-1970	24 (14.3 %)	2001+	1 (0.6 %)

5 Number of children under 16 household who attend:

Nursery	6	School for those with special needs	0	Secondary school	46
Pre-school	8	Sixth form college	3	Other	4
Primary school	44	University or College	21		

6 Individual or whole household currently in need of alternative accommodation :

Yes 12 (7.1 %) No 153 (91.1 %)

7 Household/individual unable to move to accommodation of the type needed because:

Price	3 (1.8 %)	No suitable sheltered housing	0 (0.0 %)
Lack of suitable property to buy	4 (2.4 %)	Not able to get a job	0 (0.0 %)
Lack of local authority/housing association homes	3 (1.8 %)	Unable to afford the cost of moving	3 (1.8 %)
Lack of private rented accommodation	1 (0.6 %)	Other financial commitments	0 (0.0 %)
Lack of property suitable for physically disabled	1 (0.6 %)	Other	3 (1.8 %)

8 People in households moved from Radwinter in the last year:

Yes 8 (4.8 %) No 157 (93.5 %)

9 People who have moved

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10 People left because:

Price	1	Not able to get a job or take up a new job	1
Lack of suitable property to buy	1	Financial commitments	0
Lack of local authority/housing association homes	1	For further education	6
Lack of private rented accommodation	1	To live independently	1
Lack of property suitable for physically disabled	1	To set up home as a new household with a partner	1
No suitable sheltered housing	0		

11 Roadworthy vehicles kept by households:

Cars 291 Vans 19 Motor bikes 12

3.2 Personal

Not completed by everyone

12 Sex distribution: Male 180 (47.7%) Female 197 (52.3%) Total number of People 377

13 Age group: Total number of People 375

11-15	38 (10.1%)	25-44	90 (24.0%)	65-74	48 (12.8%)
16-17	7 (1.9%)	45-59	93 (24.8%)	75-84	34 (9.1%)
18-24	29 (7.7%)	60-64	28 (7.5%)	85+	8 (2.1%)

Note the number of people in 12 and 13 does not include children under 11 who are included in item 1 and some people did not complete all questions

14 Time lived in Radwinter: Total number of People 378

Less than a year	22 (5.8%)	16-25 years	59 (15.6%)	Whole life	31 (8.2%)
1-5 years	74 (19.6%)	26-50 years	55 (14.6%)		
6-15 years	124 (32.8%)	51 + years	13 (3.4%)		

15 What is most important about Radwinter : Total number of People 448

Love of village life	140 (31.3%)	The community	98 (21.9%)	Other	32 (7.1%)
Love of country life	257 (57.4%)	The environment	159 (35.5%)	Not sure	8 (1.8%)
Attractive area	183 (40.8%)	Ideal retirement area	31 (6.9%)		

16 Quality of life in Radwinter compared to 10 years ago: Total number of People 334

Better	22 (6.6%)	Worse	69 (20.7%)	The same	120 (35.9%)	Don't know	123 (36.8%)
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17 Occupation: Total number of People 359

An employee	112 (31.2%)	Unwaged housewife/husband	25 (7.0%)
Unemployed	6 (1.7%)	In full-time education	49 (13.6%)
Self-employed - employing other people	22 (6.1%)	Permanently sick/disabled	11 (3.1%)
Self employed - not employing anyone	38 (10.6%)	Retired	92 (25.6%)
In a government training scheme	4 (1.1%)		

18 Major employer's business for those in waged employment: Total number of People 190

Agriculture/Horticulture	17 (8.9%)	Local Government/Public Sector	30 (15.8%)
Manufacturing engineering	3 (1.6%)	Construction	10 (5.3%)
Manufacturing other	7 (3.7%)	Transport/Communications	3 (1.6%)
Retail/Service industry	32 (16.8%)	Food Processing	3 (1.6%)
Financial Services	18 (9.5%)	Other	63 (33.2%)
Tourism eg hotels, catering, B&B	4 (2.1%)		

See also written in comments 57.6

19 Main place of work Total number of People 225

Radwinter	38 (16.9%)	London (60 miles)	28 (12.4%)
Saffron Walden	50 (22.2%)	Other within 10 miles	31 (13.8%)
Haverhill (9 miles)	2 (0.9%)	Other over 10 miles away	40 (17.8%)
Stansted (15 miles)	5 (2.2%)	Cover local area (e.g. builder)	6 (2.7%)
Cambridge (25 miles)	258 (12.4%)		

20 Self-employment - barriers/issues which might restrict : Total number of People 25

Lack of start-up finance	15 (60.0%)	Lack of premises	3 (12.0%)
Need for business skills	5 (20.0%)	Lack of confidence	6 (24.0%)
Lack of advice/information	1 (4.0%)	Lack of required technical skills	3 (12.0%)
Lack of contacts	3 (12.0%)	Other issues	4 (16.0%)

21 Parking problems experienced at home: Total number of People 282

	Yes	No
Nowhere to park	15 (5.3%)	246 (87.2%)
Cars blocking your entrance	21 (7.4%)	239 (84.8%)
Parked cars	32 (11.3%)	226 (80.1%)

22 Car owners prepared to provide voluntary transport service: Total number of People 291

Yes	39 (13.4%)	No	252 (86.6%)
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23 Bus usage (See also written in comments 57.9): Total number of People 268

	often	occasionally	never
Work	2 (0.7%)	7 (2.6%)	201 (75.0%)
Shopping	13 (4.9%)	25 (9.3%)	201 (75.0%)
Medical Visits	3 (1.1%)	7 (2.6%)	210 (78.4%)
Social or Leisure	8 (3.0%)	28 (10.4%)	198 (73.9%)
Other	8 (3.0%)	8 (3.0%)	162 (60.4%)

24 Radwinter school importance to the local community (See also written in comments 57.10): Total number of People 353

Very important	291 (82.4%)	Important	24 (6.8%)	Not very important	9 (2.5%)	No opinion	29 (8.2%)
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25 Classes if provided would be attended (See also written in comments 57.3):					Total number of People	318	
Yoga	78 (24.5%)	Woodwork	37 (11.6%)	Book club	55 (17.3%)	None	86 (27.0%)
Art	54 (17.0%)	Languages	79 (24.8%)	History	57 (17.9%)		
Crafts	43 (13.5%)	Computing	74 (23.3%)	Walking	71 (22.3%)		
26 Class best time of day (See also written in comments 57.5):					Total number of People	248	
Morning	58 (23.4%)	Afternoon	59 (23.8%)	Evening	191 (77.0%)		
27 Police coverage of Radwinter adequacy:					Total number of People	352	
Good	15 (4.3%)	Reasonable	91 (25.9%)	Poor	139 (39.5%)	No opinion	107 (30.4%)
28 Local Post Office usage (See also written in comments 57.3 and 57.15):					Total number of People	295	
Postal services	274 (92.9%)	Giro bank/savings certificates etc.	31 (10.5%)	Information leaflets	67 (22.7%)		
Pensions/Allowances	40 (13.6%)	T.V. licence/other bills	70 (23.7%)	Other services	82 (27.8%)		
29 Community shop potential usage (See also written in comments 57.3 and 57.15):					Total number of People	353	
Weekly	232 (65.7%)	Occasionally	77 (21.8%)	Would not use	9 (2.5%)		
Monthly	5 (1.4%)			Don't know	30 (8.5%)		
30 Community shop potential volunteer help:					Total number of People	278	
		weekly	monthly	occasionally	could not help	don't know	
Counter work	17 (6.1%)	21 (7.6%)	52 (18.7%)	112 (40.3%)	34 (12.2%)		
Accounts	4 (1.4%)	2 (0.7%)	11 (4.0%)	129 (46.4%)	25 (9.0%)		
Filling shelves	19 (6.8%)	20 (7.2%)	51 (18.3%)	108 (38.8%)	26 (6.8%)		
31 Usage of facilities (See also written in comments 57.17):					Total number of People	318	
		Never	weekly	monthly	occasionally		
The Youth Club	17 (5.3%)	0 (0.0%)	7 (2.2%)	247 (77.7%)			
Bowls Club	4 (1.3%)	0 (0.0%)	6 (1.9%)	259 (81.4%)			
Cricket Club	7 (2.2%)	4 (1.3%)	5 (1.6%)	253 (79.6%)			
Football club	2 (0.6%)	1 (0.3%)	2 (0.6%)	262 (82.4%)			
WI	1 (0.3%)	21 (6.6%)	4 (1.3%)	252 (79.2%)			
Quilting	2 (0.6%)	2 (0.6%)	1 (0.3%)	263 (82.7%)			
Gardening Club	2 (0.6%)	11 (3.5%)	18 (5.7%)	248 (78.0%)			
Over 60's Group	2 (0.6%)	18 (5.7%)	0 (0.0%)	260 (81.6%)			
32 Potential to help organise and run sports (See also written in comments 57.17):					Total number of People	26	
Youth football	6 (23.1%)	Judo	1 (3.8%)	Squash	3 (11.5%)		
Badminton	7 (26.9%)	Keep Fit	6 (23.1%)	Tennis	12 (46.2%)		
Bowls	0 (0.0%)	Skittles	0 (0.0%)	Yoga	4 (15.4%)		
Darts	2 (7.7%)	Snooker	3 (11.5%)	Cubs/Brownies	8 (30.8%)		
33 Children's playground facilities are (See also written in comments 57.17):					Total number of People	284	
		good	reasonable	poor	no opinion		
a good range of equipment	30 (10.6%)	100 (35.2%)	36 (12.7%)	111 (39.1%)			
good quality equipment	27 (9.5%)	102 (35.9%)	34 (12.0%)	107 (37.7%)			
a suitable location	48 (16.9%)	67 (23.6%)	46 (16.2%)	104 (36.6%)			
34 Potential to help organise and run social activities (See also written in comments 57.17):					Total number of People	41	
Whist drive	3 (7.3%)	Art Club	6 (14.6%)	Band	2 (4.9%)		
Senior Citizens Group	7 (17.1%)	Drama	6 (14.6%)	Young people's drama group	9 (22.0%)		
Gardening Club	12 (29.3%)	Choir	2 (4.9%)	Creative arts for children	10 (24.4%)		
Rambling Club	10 (24.4%)	Music Society	3 (7.3%)				
35 Source of information about events taking place in Radwinter (See also written in comments 57.4):					Total number of People	327	
Notice Board	200 (61.2%)	Ambo	266 (81.3%)	Free paper	126 (38.5%)		
Local paper	122 (37.3%)	Post Office	106 (32.4%)	Library	14 (4.3%)		
Other	54 (16.5%)						
36 Amount of information available about what's going on in Radwinter is:					Total number of People	348	
Good	76 (21.8%)	Reasonable	190 (54.6%)	Poor	41 (11.8%)	No opinion	41 (11.8%)
37 Usage of the local telephone boxes:					Total number of People	352	
Often	1 (0.3%)	Occasionally	31 (8.8%)	Never	320 (90.9%)		
38 Parish Council meetings attendance:					Total number of People	346	
		Yes	69 (19.9%)	No	277 (80.1%)		
39 Parish Council issues discussed adequately reflected local concerns:					Total number of People	238	
Yes	72 (30.3%)	No	10 (4.2%)	No opinion	156 (65.5%)		
40 Parish Council publicises its decisions and activities:					Total number of People	343	
Very well	16 (4.7%)	Reasonably well	163 (47.5%)	Badly	69 (20.1%)	No opinion	95 (27.7%)

41 Elected representatives of local concerns and feelings are:					Total number of People	320
	fully aware	quite aware	not aware	no opinion		
Radwinter Parish Council	62 (19.4%)	107 (33.4%)	42 (13.1%)	104 (32.5%)		
Uttlesford District Council	20 (6.3%)	97 (30.3%)	68 (21.3%)	123 (38.4%)		
Essex County Council	7 (2.2%)	59 (18.4%)	86 (26.9%)	155 (48.4%)		

42 Encourage in and around Radwinter:						Total number of People	314
	strongly in favour	in favour	no strong opinion	have reservations	definitely not		
Tourism development/attractions	16 (5.1%)	49 (15.6%)	83 (26.4%)	57 (18.2%)	56 (17.8%)		
Small business development	30 (9.6%)	84 (26.8%)	59 (18.8%)	64 (20.4%)	36 (11.5%)		
Small scale industrial workshops	18 (5.7%)	48 (15.3%)	56 (17.8%)	74 (23.6%)	70 (22.3%)		
Market gardening	49 (15.6%)	123 (39.2%)	75 (23.9%)	24 (7.6%)	11 (3.5%)		
Stables	39 (12.4%)	104 (33.1%)	90 (28.7%)	27 (8.6%)	15 (4.8%)		
Farmers market	109 (34.7%)	115 (36.6%)	51 (16.2%)	14 (4.5%)	12 (3.8%)		
More jobs in Radwinter	37 (11.8%)	92 (29.3%)	80 (25.5%)	39 (12.4%)	20 (6.4%)		

43 Visitor activities suited to Radwinter:					Total number of People	321
Horse riding	241 (75.1%)	Road cycling	142 (44.2%)	Off-road cycling	94 (29.3%)	
Nature study	229 (71.3%)	Farm visits or 'trails'	190 (59.2%)	Sightseeing	91 (28.3%)	
Photography	203 (63.2%)	Painting	198 (61.7%)	Fishing	45 (14.0%)	
Shooting	81 (25.2%)	Walking	283 (88.2%)	Other	23 (7.2%)	

44 Accommodation needs in Radwinter:					Total number of People	325
Homes for young people	195 (60.0%)	Large family homes	38 (11.7%)			
Small family homes	150 (46.2%)	Executive homes	9 (2.8%)			
Homes for people with disabilities	77 (23.7%)	Homes for single people	82 (25.2%)			
No further homes are needed	79 (24.3%)	Other	15 (4.6%)			

45 Acceptable type(s) of housing development in Radwinter:					Total number of People	311
None	44 (14.1%)	Single dwellings in controlled locations	156 (50.2%)			
Small group(s) of less than 10	141 (45.3%)	Carefully designed larger group(s)	17 (5.5%)			
Conversion of redundant buildings	196 (63.0%)	Other	9 (2.9%)			

46 Supported types of development in Radwinter:					Total number of People	303
Light industrial	68 (22.4%)	Workshops	124 (40.9%)			
Sheltered workshops	83 (27.4%)	None	130 (42.9%)			

47 Planning system implementation in Radwinter satisfaction:					Total number of People	321
Totally satisfied	8 (2.5%)	Quite satisfied	93 (29.0%)	Quite dissatisfied	39 (12.1%)	
Very dissatisfied	29 (9.0%)	No opinion	152 (47.4%)			

48 Church importance (See also written in comments 57.2):					Total number of People	320
For worship	100 (31.3%)	For special occasions	184 (57.5%)			
As a focal point for the community	208 (65.0%)	As an historic building	258 (80.6%)			
Other	7 (2.2%)					

49 Local environment of Radwinter matters to help protect and enhance (See also written in comments 57.1, 57.7, 57.8, 57.11, 57.13, and 57.18):					Total number of People	319
Recycling	245 (76.9%)	Energy saving	158 (49.5%)			
Improved public transport	210 (65.8%)	Community composting	108 (33.9%)			
Car sharing	57 (17.9%)	More employment locally	108 (33.9%)			
Improved rights of way	80 (25.1%)	Advice on healthier lifestyles	56 (17.6%)			
Reduce traffic	159 (49.8%)	Nothing	8 (2.5%)			
Don't know	3 (0.9%)	Other	30 (9.4%)			

50 Surrounding countryside features importance (See also written in comments 57.12):						Total number of People	326
	very important	important	not very special	no opinion			
Woods	259 (79.4%)	51 (15.6%)	1 (0.3%)	5 (1.5%)			
Hedges	244 (74.8%)	65 (19.9%)	1 (0.3%)	5 (1.5%)			
Ditches	218 (66.9%)	64 (19.6%)	4 (1.2%)	12 (3.7%)			
Meadows and green fields	263 (80.7%)	50 (15.3%)	0 (0.0%)	5 (1.5%)			
Traditional farm buildings	210 (64.4%)	70 (21.5%)	7 (2.1%)	9 (2.8%)			
Modern farm buildings	51 (15.6%)	47 (14.4%)	112 (34.4%)	30 (9.2%)			
Footpaths	240 (73.6%)	58 (17.8%)	4 (1.2%)	6 (1.8%)			
Other	26 (8.0%)	6 (1.8%)	0 (0.0%)	6 (1.8%)			

51 Environment of Radwinter improvements (See also written in comments 57.12):						Total number of People	212
	very important	worth doing	not necessary	don't know			
Plant more trees	116 (36.6%)	120 (37.9%)	20 (6.3%)	9 (2.8%)			
Cut down some trees	4 (1.3%)	21 (6.6%)	142 (44.8%)	14 (4.4%)			
Look after woodlands	210 (66.2%)	69 (21.8%)	6 (1.9%)	4 (1.3%)			
Preserve single trees in special places	147 (46.4%)	74 (23.3%)	14 (4.4%)	14 (4.4%)			
Plant new orchards	59 (18.9%)	88 (27.8%)	45 (14.2%)	22 (6.9%)			
Keep hedges short and tidy	85 (26.8%)	103 (32.5%)	60 (18.9%)	5 (1.6%)			
Let hedges grow naturally	49 (15.5%)	68 (21.5%)	67 (21.1%)	9 (2.8%)			
Plant more hedges and trees	112 (35.3%)	104 (32.8%)	34 (10.7%)	7 (2.2%)			
Don't know	1 (0.3%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.3%)	8 (2.5%)			
Other	13 (4.1%)	6 (1.9%)	0 (0.0%)	3 (0.9%)			

52 Countryside wild plants, birds and animals around Radwinter importance (See also written in comments 57.12©

	very important	important	not very important	Total number of People	333
Wild flowers	260 (78.1%)	58 (17.4%)	2 (0.6%)	no opinion	8 (2.4%)
Birds	274 (82.3%)	47 (14.1%)	0 (0.0%)	6 (1.8%)	
Wild Animals	254 (76.3%)	53 (15.9%)	5 (1.5%)	7 (2.1%)	
Other	25 (7.5%)	4 (1.2%)	0 (0.0%)	4 (1.2%)	

53 Local footpaths and bridleways (See also written in comments 57.7):

	Yes	No	Total number of People	324
Do you know where the local paths are?	168 (51.9%)	135 (41.7%)	No opinion	14 (4.3%)
Can you use them without difficulty?	128 (39.5%)	152 (46.9%)	30 (9.3%)	
Are they well signposted?	109 (33.6%)	164 (50.6%)	31 (9.6%)	
Would you be willing to help maintain them?	47 (14.5%)	67 (20.7%)	154 (47.5%)	

54 Local footpaths and bridleways difficulties experienced (See also written in comments 57.7):

			Total number of People	283	
Farm animals	16 (5.7%)	High stiles	35 (12.4%)	Locked gates	29 (10.2%)
Barbed wire	23 (8.1%)	Mud/water	105 (37.1%)	Crops across path	99 (35.0%)
Other users	10 (3.5%)	Bushes/nettles	152 (53.7%)	No signposts	81 (28.6%)
No difficulty experienced	71 (25.1%)	Other	15 (5.3%)		

55 Local footpaths and bridleways guidance required (See also written in comments 57.7):

		Total number of People	284
Maps of local footpaths	240 (84.5%)	Leaflets of walks available to buy	197 (69.4%)
Guided walks of the area	101 (35.9%)	No opinion	26 (9.2%)

56 How you would like Radwinter to develop

56.1 Housing – not opposed to some development (109 people)

- 1 Slowly, gradually, controlled. (27 people)
- 2 Traditional rural way to prevent any further erosion of its environment and community spirit. (19 people)
- 3 Low-cost/part ownership housing in East View Close to encourage families into the village. (23 people)
- 4 Slowly, avoid large development, housing or industry, small growth to bring in new people. (2 people)
- 5 At a steady pace to give other people a chance to live here who could not possibly afford current prices.
- 6 Radwinter to stay small with restricted conversion of farm buildings and the like for local young people.
- 7 No more large private dwellings. Small sensibly priced housing.
- 8 Cheap housing for young couples (renting!!)
- 9 Housing for Young people - survey people movements (in, out, births, deaths) to ascertain level of need. (2 people)
- 10 Radwinter to keep its 'village' feel with no perimeter spread. Any new low cost housing should be kept in East View Close area. (2 people)
- 11 To stop village fossilizing increase local employment and appropriate housing for local people. (3 people)
- 12 New housing ought to be 2 bed terrace cottages - cannot be easily extended and therefore remain for young and old, keeping balance correct (Nesfield cottages Church Hill excellent examples).
- 13 More small bungalows, not flats for young and old. (2 people)
- 14 No more low cost housing in East View Close. Ideal place is Water Lane where facilities are available and children would be able to play without disturbing elderly residents.
- 15 Allow some high cost housing development to attract increased local wealth.
- 16 In line with modern technology and normal social and economic trends in a locally derived plan.

- 17 Develop as a supported community.
- 18 No industrial or commercial development so Radwinter remains a delightful village.
- 19 Restricted major development. Keep identity by active conservation not preservation.
- 20 Affordable housing-the 6 we have are more costly than Saffron Walden - .Built for £70,000 sold for £ 140,000.
- 21 Retain essential character with more amenities and accommodation for a wider range of residents.
- 22 Improved community spirit. More opportunities for young families.
- 23 Mixture of affordable/open market housing leading to village shop/more children at the school. (3 people)
- 24 Choose sites carefully, tuck away - no large housing development. (3 people)
- 25 The mushroom farm to be developed for housing.
- 26 As country village with much to offer to all ages and walks of life; more job opportunities within the village.
- 27 Evolution not development. pc should consult those affected by plans and represent those views.
- 28 Made pretty, more houses could be built if appropriate style, viz. new cottage in Swards End. Fill gap between church and pub to make village less disjointed.
- 29 Impossible for single person to afford private rented accommodation; if considered adequately housed in private accommodation, council will not consider putting you on housing list, so single elderly person in 4-bed house has nowhere to go.
- 30 Carefully designed small groups of less than ten.
- 31 Sensible extensions and ancillary accommodation.
- 32 Convert large buildings to multiple occupancy (2 people)

56.2 Housing – opposed to development (43 people)

- 1 No development at all. (27 people)
- 2 Should we question why the world thinks development is necessary. Change is not an improvement and development usually equals an income in CO2 emissions. Perhaps maintaining a sustainable community is sufficient for us.
- 3 Keep village identity ie restrict new building. (5 people)

- 4 To remain compact but to provide better amenities and an enhanced sense of community. (2 people)
- 5 No need for extensive development as this would harm the village. (7 people)
- 6 Don't think East View Close should be enlarged.

56.3 Other development comments (22 people)

- 1 Into a more centralized community around post office, local store and church.
- 2 Possibly encourage some sustainable economic activities but not those that may be of significant detriment to the environment, create a pond.
- 3 Important to preserve current character, opposed to "moving forward" agenda. Generally parish council and district council should consult and listen regularly not once in a lifetime like this. E.g. we don't want street names, or pavements.
- 4 Preserve traditional countryside and village buildings, school, pub, protect from airport development, feature ponds, commercial or voluntary shop. Young people aren't forced out of the village, they WANT to leave, then come back to family homes later in life.
- 5 We moved to Radwinter, a small village, ideally distant from the nearest town with its extra amenities mainly because of its distance from urbanisation. We would rather not have that urbanisation brought into Radwinter.
- 6 So many villages have been infilled. Radwinter's charm is that this has mostly not happened and the different areas: Maple Lane, Radwinter End, Water Lane, are all distinct from each other.
- 7 Development of farm buildings for light industry, craft.
- 8 Go back 30 years and start again.
- 9 Community awareness and prevention of Swards End Style agricultural land sales as bogus building plots.
- 10 As a more self sufficient community with local food supplies and environmentally sound planning.
- 11 Self sufficient well kept hanging baskets.

- 12 An area of allotments would provide space for those with small gardens ie. new housing, encourage self-sufficiency and help community to coherence.
- 13 A shooting ban – of course! (5 people)
- 14 Better insulated housing. Promote solar heating and power generation. Water conservation. New green housing solutions.
- 15 What about a wind turbine or 2?
- 16 Dog waste bins and dogs allowed access to recreation ground (on leads).
- 17 House owners encouraged to tidy their front gardens.
- 18 I worry that extending East View Close is creating a satellite community (as has happened in Great Chesterford). Village planning should look at using the empty quadrant off the main cross roads, ie from the old Red Lion to the only Pub, The Plough. This would engage the Pub into the village and keep a centralised village as envisaged by Nesfield when he re-planned the centre of Radwinter post fire.
- 19 We have a well known Arts and Crafts village, spoilt by insensitive electric wires, modern lights and modern bollards. I would like to see the removal of all (not just telephone) overhead wires at the main cross roads and two reproduction lamps (with modern bulbs, inards, etc) and some cast iron bollards with lights (Yes they are available) would greatly enhance our village centre. A reinstated village pond would be the icing on the cake but are the PC brave enough to stand up to the Health and Safety and quote the environmental case which is gathering gov momentum!
- 20 Village still spaced-i.e. rural within itself. The spaces between old houses not filled in.

57 Other comments (integrating those in Q12 to Q55)

57.1 Car parking (5 people) (Q49)

- 1 Improve car parking at focal points such as the school, church and hall.
- 2 Fewer cars, builders vans and trucks parked on roads. (2 people)
- 3 Parked cars in Princes Well are a hazard. (2 people)

57.2 Church (11 people) (Q48)

- 1 Family friendly church involving the whole community.
- 2 Bell ringing practice should be severely curbed as it is unreasonably long and goes on too late by an hour.
- 3 Rector great support when I lost my husband
- 4 Use for Concerts
- 5 Good to have a new Vicar
- 6 Two generations in graveyard - very peaceful.
- 7 For the School
- 8 Unable to go each week but would if able bodied
- 9 Can't get there - no car
- 10 Very beautiful - important for community and worship
- 11 Not important to me at all.

57.3 Community activities (27 people) (Q25, Q28, Q33)

- 1 More community/learning activities - language classes, walks, keep fit, drama (4 people)
- 2 More community activities in order to meet people and socialise, particularly simple events, open air concerts. (10 people)
- 3 We need a heart, the pub is not enough, a good community centre (like Swards End has) with a shop so that people can commune and get together regularly. (3 people)
- 4 Would like to see the post office combined with a local shop and new village hall built on the recreation ground with the existing village hall and post office sold to help funding.
- 5 More activities for the children of Radwinter, to keep them occupied. (2 people)
- 6 Tea room would be nice (as Ashdon Museum) where people could meet/chat. Pub too pricey! Co-ordinate with Ashdon - don't compete. Lack of cohesion as we are. Too strung out!"
- 7 If over 50% of these forms are returned, I feel you will be well on the way to refurbishing the Village Community.
- 8 Pottery, Turning, Chess, Astronomy, Contract Bridge
- 9 Music
- 10 Use Mothers and Toddlers & Recreation Ground
- 11 WEA weekly autumn and spring
- 12 Family history

57.4 Community information (7 people) (Q35)

- 1 More information about community events. (3 people)
- 2 More communication from the Parish Council regarding decisions particularly planning comments to Uttlesford DC
- 3 Village maps and history panels would be great.
- 4 Parish Council open meeting
- 5 Neighbours

57.5 Community Safety and Crime Prevention (7 people) (Q27)

- 1 Maintain and improve the quality of life by being vigilant against vandalism and crime. (2 people)
- 2 More police might be a good idea to stop any problems before they develop. (3 people)
- 3 Very nice village in which to live. Peaceful, always tidy and everyone friendly and polite. It feels safe.
- 4 Haven't seen one

57.6 Employment (7 people – but see also 56.1 Housing – not opposed to development) (Q18)

- 1 Local jobs to give young people a chance to settle here and give village a future. (5 people)
- 2 A wider range of employment opportunities.
- 3 Create better facilities - work, clubs - to encourage young families, couples and single people.

57.7 Footpaths and bridleways (22 people) (Q49, Q53, Q54)

- 1 Map for local walks needed.
- 2 More off road access for horse riders. (2 people)
- 3 Having a dog and finding the paths very difficult along the main road and the one I tried today so near my house even got caught up on a tree over the path Having a dog and finding the paths very difficult along the main road and the one I tried today so near my house even got caught up on a tree over the path.
- 4 Bridle paths are lacking. (4 people)
- 5 Electric fencing in Horse-fields not always signed.
- 6 Keep clear Public footpaths/bridle ways. Provision of dog waste bins essential.
- 7 Better maintained footpaths & cycle ways (2 people)
- 8 4x4 off road users causing damage
- 9 Generally OK but odd lapses and difficulties (2 people)
- 10 Ruts and fouling where horse riders use footpath. (4 people)
- 12 Overgrown hedges. Paths ploughed up.
- 13 High Stiles with no low access for dogs - especially around New House Farm.
- 14 Fallen trees

57.Stansted Airport 8 Noise and Pollution (10 people)

- 1 Maintain and improve the quality of life by campaigning against the airport expansion. (2 people)
- 2 Less over-flying aircraft/noise pollution. (2 people)
- 3 I am very concerned about what Stansted airport may do to lessen the peace of Radwinter.
- 4 Aircraft noise getting worse.
- 5 Very noisy, not only traffic and planes but also mowers and strimmers. In Germany the latter cannot be used in the afternoon, some such restriction would be desirable. (2 people)
- 6 Oppose any increase in aircraft numbers and pollution. (2 people)

57.9 Public transport (19 people) (Q23)

- 1 Better public transport (might cut down on traffic). (15 people)
 - 2 Better public transport to link up with other villages (not just Saffron Walden).
 - 3 Bus service to station.
 - 4 Press LEA to improve school transport eg 6th form free and late buses to maintain facilities for families.
- When our son stayed with us and caught the train to Cambridge we had to take him to the station because the local bus arrived in Saffron Walden 5 mins after the town bus left for the station.
- 5 Bus shelter at the junction of Stocking Green and S/W road for children waiting for school bus.

57.10 School (2 people) (Q24)

- 1 Develop School.
- 2 Quality schools.

57.11 Street Lighting and Signage (10 people) (Q49)

- 1 More powerful streetlight at Village Hall crossroads.
- 2 I would like to see less creeping urbanisation" e.g. road signs, flashing school lights etc. Some are necessary but most are not. The centre of the village has been spoilt already by road "improvements". (4 people)
- 3 Reduce the 'urban' influence i.e. too many traffic signs - they are ugly.
- 4 A road sign/name for Princes Well.
- 5 Dead end sign at the junction of Stocking Green and S/W road. (2 people)
- 6 Reduce above ground electric cables - underground cables in centre of village - Church/PO.

57.12 Hedges, wild life etc (28 people) (Q50, Q51, Q52)

- 1 Encourage bees. (3 people)
- 2 Happy to provide bee-keeping skills.
- 3 Consider protection of birds and wildlife when removing vast tracks of hedges/trees. (2 people)
- 4 Hedges short and tidy where appropriate; hedges should be cut properly to help wild life. (8 people)
- 5 Create more ponds & lakes. Preserve streams. (7 people)
- 6 Bird and animal survey to see what's happening locally - to add to the RSPB survey. (2 people)
- 7 Variety of hedges - trim to 'A' shape along road sides - more natural less trimmed along field boundaries. Variety of habitats important
- 8 Stop Landowners desecrating hedges by machine cutting. Better to let them grow out! (2 people)

57.13 Surface water drainage, verge maintenance and soil waste disposal (7 people) (Q49)

- 1 Better management of drains and ditches. (2 people)
- 2 Ditches need clearing. Council wastes money cutting cow parsley, it is pretty and cars travel more safely along water lane when it is high as they cannot see round the bends.
- 3 Daffodils lovely but cut down too early - may come up blind next year.
- 4 Stop verge encroachment by Highways which is widening roads and increasing speed and resulting in more accidents and near misses. Our road has been widened by 4'0" (1200mm) in 20 years.
- 5 Keep footpaths & pavements clear of overgrowth without damaging verges.
- 6 Mains drainage Maple lane,

57.14 Farming crops (3 people)

- 1 Encourage farmers to grow less oil seed rape - to reduce pollen irritation (if there are commercial alternatives) (2 people)
- 2 Reduce chemical use on farms.

57.15 Shop/Post Office (45 people)

- 1 Village Shop supplying necessities, newspapers, DVDs etc (like the one in Clavering?) (38 people)
- 2 Community shop (4 people)
- 3 Farmers Market local produce
- 4 Post office open more hours. (3 people)
- 5 Post usage – Photocopying (10 people), Phone top-up (7 people), Cards (4 people), Advertising, Banking & Plants (3 people), Books, Cash, Foreign Currency, Drinks, Confectionery & Information (2 people), First day covers, Gifts, Old stamps for charity, Stationery, Travel insurance, Papers, Passport, Pay bills & Rhubarb (1 person)

57.16 Pub (10 people)

- 1 Another pub would be nice, but current one is excellent for food etc. (5 people)
- Maintain the few facilities we have ie the pub.
- 2 Support local pub - only genuine community centre in village. (4 people)
 - 3 Perhaps more quizzes or Bingo.

57.17 Recreational/sports facilities (26 people) (Q31, Q32, Q33)

- 1 Village green.
- 2 Tennis courts on recreation ground. (5 people)
- 3 Make a golf course.
- 4 Basket ball court on the recreation ground.
- 5 Support recreation/sport for the young - Kids football team. (2 people)
- 6 Would strongly support the provision of an all weather surface which could be used for 5-a-side football/basketball and tennis etc.
- 7 We need a large sports pavilion which can cater for all sports - and events to pay for running costs - our village hall is in the past - not the future.
- 8 Improved recreation facilities for young people and children.
- 9 The wall is too close to the bowls club
- 10 Childrens play area Its good to have such a safe environment for young children i.e. far from cars.
- 11 Childrens play area - too exposed and too far from houses for safety – better close to pavilion. (9 people)
- 12 Childrens play area - Desperately needs weeding, fresh wood chops and maintenance. Pity equipment is covered in bird droppings with no means of cleaning. (2 people)

57.18 Traffic (49 people) (Q49)

- 1 Traffic is a big, dangerous problem - more monitoring and slower speed limits, particularly through village. (14 people)
- 2 Water Lane/Walden Road cross – crossing near church with 2 children (1 disabled) is very dangerous; Make it able to see traffic at crossroads - review the sight line to the right on exiting, i.e. the hedge, make roundabout and/or pedestrian crossing. (4 people)
- 3 More traffic calming. Slow down speed sensors on Hempstead road. Would be great if main road could be 20mph zone. Restrict miles per hour around the residential areas etc to 10 miles per hour. (12 people)
- 4 Encourage cycling by making cycle-ways - e.g. Water Lane if it is blocked to cars, to Saffron Walden and station. (5 people)
- 5 Zebra crossing at school.
- 6 Big reduction in heavy traffic and speed of same, particularly in quiet lanes - lorries and buses. (2 people)
- 7 Maple Lane – make 30 mph zone, reduce traffic, introduce weight limit to reduce lorries and make it safe to walk children in the lane. (5 people)
- 8 More speed limit signs on Plough Hill because people don't stick to speed limits.
- 9 Push Essex to maintain roads properly. They are dangerous because they are neglected, pot holes need filling not covering.
- 10 Oppose all restrictions on cars & further speed limits inc those planned for Wimbish. (2 people)
- 11 Restrict traffic in Water Lane.
- 12 Flashing speed signs

57.19 Water supply (1 person)

- 1 Improvement in water supply - mainly unreliable pressure.

57.20 Other (11 people)

1 Some opportunities for information collection missed: second homes/second home owners; daily population movement within area; access to secondary education/private education; percentage already attending adult education classes.

2 In my opinion a village appraisal is a bad idea. The results will be used over the next decade to implement changes suggested regardless of changing circumstances in years to come.

3 Good idea to send these questionnaires out.

4 There are 4 major community services in the village; Pub, Church, School and Post Office. There is NO mention of these which shows ignorance of the community.

5 There is no mention of the development of Stansted airport or the speeding traffic through the village.

6 These may be things that you can't do anything about, but you should still find out public/village opinions on them. No mention M&Tgroup.

7 This form is very long perhaps fewer questions would hold interest longer.

8 Shorter questionnaires give more chance of focussed feedback and honest answers. Many questions are variation on a theme.

9 Radwinter Society/Radwinter Church, W.E.A classes not mentioned.

10 Village to be tidied up.

11 More general amenity skips, reorganise recycling collection as village looks like a dump on collection days, better boxes with lids. (2 people)

12 Locally produced, preferably organic, food. Renewable energy, solar etc

14 Ban all bonfires.

15 Control cats

16 Invertebrates - always overlooked. Daffodils - most definitely inappropriate!

17 Reduce rabbit, fox & deer population because they destroy too many birds/plants/trees if left to multiply unchecked. (2 people)

18 Introduce cattle in limited numbers - if economically viable.

19 Lichens/mosses - very important as they are indicators of clean air.

20 Dumping of garden waste/household rubbish should be punishable.

3.3 Youth

1 Sex distribution:	Male	27 (56.3%)	Female	21 (43.7%)	Total number of People	48
2 Age						
11 years	8 (16.7%)		12 years	7 (14.6%)	13 years	7 (14.6%)
14 years	7 (14.6%)		15 years	9 (18.7%)	16 years	5 (10.4%)
17 years	5 (10.4%)					
3 Activity						
Full time education	43		Gap Year	0	Looking for work	1
College/University	2		Working	2		
4 Method your journey to school or work						
Walk	5		Car	14	Other	4
Cycle	0		Bus	25		
5 Clubs or associations in the village membership						
Youth Club	13		Cricket Club	3	Other	32
6 New clubs of interest						
Music	14		Drama	6	Table tennis	8
Arts/crafts	9		Football	10	Tennis	24
Computer/internet	7					
7 Other clubs/activities suggested						
Badminton	0		Basketball	0	Dance	0
Climbing	0		Cooking	0	Remote control cars	0
Rugby	0		Folk Band	0	Junior cricket	0
Homework club	0		Gymnastics	0	Pottery	0
Cycling	0		Netball	0	Shooting	0
Boxing	0		Swimming	0	Rounders	0
8 Socialising places						
Radwinter	20		Saffron Walden	3	Cambridge	26
Bishop's Stortford	13		London	1		
9 Socialising locations in Radwinter used						
Recreation Ground	19		Bus Shelter	1	Pub	8
Walking around	11		Friend's House	40		
10 Socialising locations in Radwinter wanted						
Youth Centre/Café/Clubhouse	9		Tennis Court	8	Skateboard/Rollerblading area	5
Seats and Shelter	2		Fountain	2	Rifle Range	1
Basketball Court	1					
11 Recreation Ground facilities wanted						
Better toilet facilities	25		More Seating	18	Skateboard ramp	17
Rounders pitch	15		BMX Track	15	Hard games Area	20
Tennis Court	32					
Other facilities wanted						
Rollerblading area			Basketball Court		5 a side pitch	
Remote control car track			Mountain bike track		Climbing wall	
Rugby posts			Rifle range		Badminton court	
Swimming pool			Shop			
12 Socialising locations outside Radwinter used						
Sports Centre	7		Cinema	26	Shopping Centre	21
Common	23		Café	17	Pub	9
Other:						
School	Friends Houses		Saffron Walden		Bowling Alley	Bike shops
13 Liked most about Radwinter						
Recreation ground	5		Peace and quiet	5	Cycling and walking	5
Nice countryside	5		Friends	4	Pub	4
Clean environment	3		Safe	2	Know most people	2
Friendly school	2		Youth club	1	Hairdressers	1
No trouble	1		Small	1	Not many cars	1
14 Least liked about Radwinter						
Nothing to do	9		No shop	8	Friends don't live locally	4
Poor transport	3		Cars go too fast	3	Too far from town	2
Post office not open long enough	2		No focal point	2	No sports clubs	1
Roadkill	1		Farm sprays	1	Aeroplane noise	1
Litter or Rec	1		Too small	1		
15 Further comments						
Better bus service			Basketball court		BMX Track	
Better Recreation Ground			Sweet shop		Tennis Court	
Way of slowing down cars on all village roads, not just main road			Cycle paths			

3.4 Business

Number of Business Questionnaires returned										23
1 Company details given										11
2 Nature of business										Number replies 28
Retail	3	Agriculture	6	Service (e.g. Hairdressing)	4					
Construction	3	Leisure	1	Professional	4					
Tourism	1	Other	6							
3 Time business has been in existence										Number replies 23
Under 1 year	0	1 – 4 years	5	5 – 9 years	5					
10 years or more	13									
4 Time business operated from present site										Number replies 21
Under 1 year	0	1 – 4 years	8	5 – 9 years	6					
10 years or more	7									
5 Business located in										Number replies 22
Domestic premises	13	Exclusively business site	4	Other	5					
6 Site is:										Number replies 19
About the right size for your business	15	Too small	4	Too large	0					
7 Currently seeking additional premises?										Number replies 22
		Yes	2	No	20					
8 If YES where are you seeking premises?										Number replies 2
		In Radwinter	1	Elsewhere	1					
9 Number of people employed in Radwinter at present (Full time is 30 hours or more per week)										
<i>Appeared to be confusion in completing this. 2 indicated no gender, 2 said SOLE TRADER without filling in a box.</i>										
			Full-time Male	Full-time female	Part-time male	Part-time female				
	Under 5		10	3	3	5				
	5 - 10		2	2	1					
	11 – 20		1							
	21 - 50		1			1				
10 Is this more or fewer than you employed at this time last year?										Number replies 21
Same	18	More	1	Fewer	0	N/a	2			
11 Where your employees live										Number replies 35
In Radwinter	19	In CB10 postcode but outside Radwinter	2	Elsewhere	9	N/a	5			
12 Have any of your employees left due to difficulties with										Number replies 17
		Yes	No							
Finding appropriate housing locally		0	3							
Transport to and from work		1	3							
Other		0	2							
N/a			8							
13 Employer with vacancies over past 12 months - problems filling them?										Number replies 10
	Yes	1	No	1	N/a	8				
14 If a problem filling vacancies in the last 12 months, reason was										Number replies 10
		Yes	No							
Lack of suitable applicants		1								
Unsociable hours/shift work										
Transport										
Other		1								
N/a			8							
15 Do visitors, customers, suppliers or hauliers have difficulty finding you										Number replies 19
	Yes	4	No	11	N/a	4				
How might this be improved?										
No need – remoteness is a virtue			No-one knows address unless local			Need more street name signs				
Better road signage needed, more GPS for deliveries will help										
Need better knowledge of area – mine only property not signposted										

16 Is the road system in Radwinter satisfactory from your perspective? **Number replies 21**

Yes 16 No 5

How might this be improved?

Want lights and bollards more in keeping with an arts & crafts village on crossroads
 Need cul de sac sign at Stocking Green farm as have countless wrong deliveries
 Too fast driving on too narrow roads – need more speed restrictions, not just main road
 Parking outside school is terrible, car park not used properly
 Speed restrictions not used properly, drivers don't take notice of the give way sign
 Speed restrictions / traffic calming measures are ineffective
 Badly designed and poorly implemented traffic calming, too many signs
 Too much speeding

17 Is the bus system serving Radwinter satisfactory from your perspective? **Number replies 15**

Yes 11 No 4

How might this be improved?

Too infrequent (3 people) Confined to main through route only Not enough go to towns eg Bury St Edmunds
 Not regular through the day

18 What has been the experience of your business of the following services?

	good	satisfactory	unsatisfactory	don't use/haven't used service	not available
water supply	7 (35%)	6 (30%)	4 (20%)	2 (10%)	1 (5%)
electricity supply	4 (20%)	10 (50%)	4 (20%)	1 (5%)	1 (5%)
sewage/foul water drains	5 (26%)	5 (26%)	2 (11%)	3 (16%)	4 (21%)
Surface water drainage	3 (16%)	8 (42%)	3 (16%)	3 (11%)	2 (11%)
postal service	7 (37%)	9 (47%)	2 (11%)	1 (5%)	0
courier services	9 (47%)	5 (26%)	0	5 (26%)	0
telephone	6 (32%)	9 (47%)	3 (16%)	0	1 (5%)
connection to internet	2 (11%)	10 (53%)	6 (32%)	1 (5%)	0
rubbish disposal	11 (55%)	7 (35%)	0	1 (5%)	1 (5%)
emergency services	5 (26%)	5 (26%)	1 (5%)	7 (37%)	1 (5%)

19 Do you entertain visitors, customers or suppliers at local pubs/restaurants? **Number replies 22**

Yes 9 No 13

If yes, do you use The Plough?

Yes 8 No 3

Why if no?

Don't like set up: prefer Blue Bell / Rose & Crown Don't drink – may visit 2 x 2 a year
 Bad experience years ago, still have the perception that it's not suitable for business entertainment

20 Does Radwinter location restrict access to electronic communication? **Number replies 20**

Yes 6 No 13 Don't understand Q 1

21 Do you have **Number replies 22**

	Yes	No
an email address	15	7
a web site	5	16

22 Are there any additional facilities that you would like to see in Radwinter, or suggestions you have that would assist your business

The Parish Council need to maintain their pro-active stance for small businesses. My most difficult experience was trying to obtain suitable accommodation when I outgrew my "living room desk". Positive help with planning applications for new workshops or converted barns/chapels would be good to counter ill-informed guesses at one's intentions!
 Pleased that broadband is now available Would like bigger broadband bandwidth
 Earlier postal deliveries – currently from 11am-1pm (dep on postman on duty).
 Longer opening hours from Radwinter Post Office

23 Should the following be encouraged in and around Radwinter?

	strongly in favour	in favour	no strong opinion	have reservations	strongly against
tourism development	3 (17%)	5 (28%)	6 (33%)	2 (11%)	2 (11%)
small business development	3 (16%)	9 (47%)	5 (26%)	0	2 (11%)
small scale industrial workshops	1 (6%)	5 (28%)	6 (33%)	4 (22%)	2 (11%)
more housing	4 (21%)	6 (32%)	1 (5%)	5 (26%)	3 (16%)

24 Has help, advice or permission from the Parish Council helpful? **Number replies 19**

	always	sometimes	rarely
never	2	2	1
not applicable	1	13	

25 Would you be interested in being listed in a directory of village businesses? **Number replies 22**

	Yes	No
on a web site	13	9
on a suitable notice board	10	11
in a brochure	11	10

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Notes

Now that you know of the matters of concern raised by Villagers use this page to jot down the solutions you would like to see in the Parish Plan to address those concerns to remind you to raise them at the Public Meeting in **Radwinter Village Hall**, on **Saturday 1st July, 10am to 3pm**. If you cannot come then please send them to Sue Bright at Frogs Croft, Hempstead Road CB10 2TQ.