

## Stonehouse NDP Survey 1 Responses Final (95 respondents)

### Q1: WHAT DO YOU MOST LIKE ABOUT STONEHOUSE? (ANSWERED: 93, SKIPPED: 2)

- Respondents most commonly like the fact that Stonehouse has a range of shops and other facilities such as good schools as well as good accessibility with a train station, road links and ease of walking due to being flat, whilst also being a small town with easy access to the countryside and community spirit.

### Q2: WHAT DO YOU MOST DISLIKE ABOUT STONEHOUSE? (ANSWERED: 94, SKIPPED: 1)

- Respondents most commonly dislike the volume of traffic (particularly through the centre of town), as well as the speed bumps (e.g. damage caused to cars), inconsiderate parking (e.g. on pavements) and the shared space scheme which some feel does not work. Many also dislike the lack of shopping variety on the High Street with too many charity shops and takeaways and the lack of a good pub/restaurant, while several commented on the litter, dog mess, graffiti and vandalism.

### Q3: WHAT DO YOU THINK ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT ASSETS IN STONEHOUSE? (ANSWERED: 93, SKIPPED: 2)

- The most important assets to respondents are the shopping facilities (e.g. range of shops, independent shops, Co-op), other amenities such as the post office and schools; the train station; the community (people, community groups/activities etc.) and the rural surroundings (countryside, green spaces, canal).

### Q4: WHAT ADDITIONAL FACILITIES WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE? (ANSWERED: 90, SKIPPED: 5)

- The additional facilities which respondents would most like to see are a better variety of shops along with better pubs and restaurants; a good community centre, youth facilities, swimming pool and other sporting facilities; the Bristol line train station reopened; more green spaces (including allotments); and measures to tackle traffic issues such as parking and traffic speed/volume.

### Q5: WHAT OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPROVEMENT CAN YOU SEE? PLEASE BE AS SPECIFIC AS POSSIBLE. (ANSWERED: 86, SKIPPED: 9)

- The most commonly suggested opportunities for improvement concerned traffic, rail, community facilities and the development of disused sites. Many respondents would like the parking situation to be addressed in the town (e.g. less roadside parking) and improvements to traffic calming and the shared space scheme (some are in favour of these measures while others are against), as well as measures taken to address traffic volume. Many would like the Bristol line train station reopened. It was also felt there was an opportunity to develop disused sites to provide better community facilities such as a community centre, youth centre/facilities and sports facilities, with sites such as Oldends and Elm Road commonly mentioned.