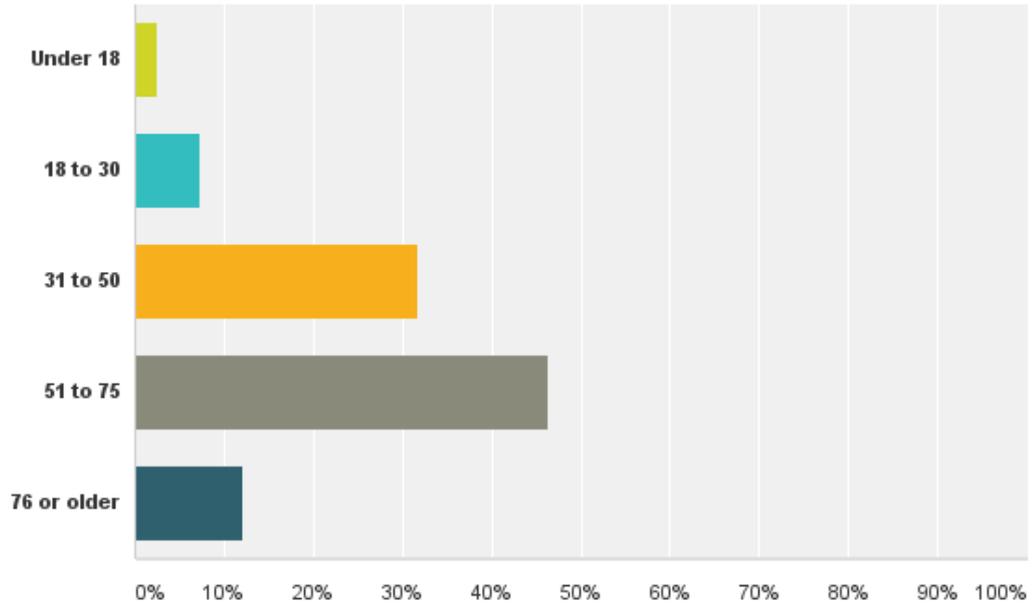


Stonehouse NP Vision and objectives consultation results

42 responses received.

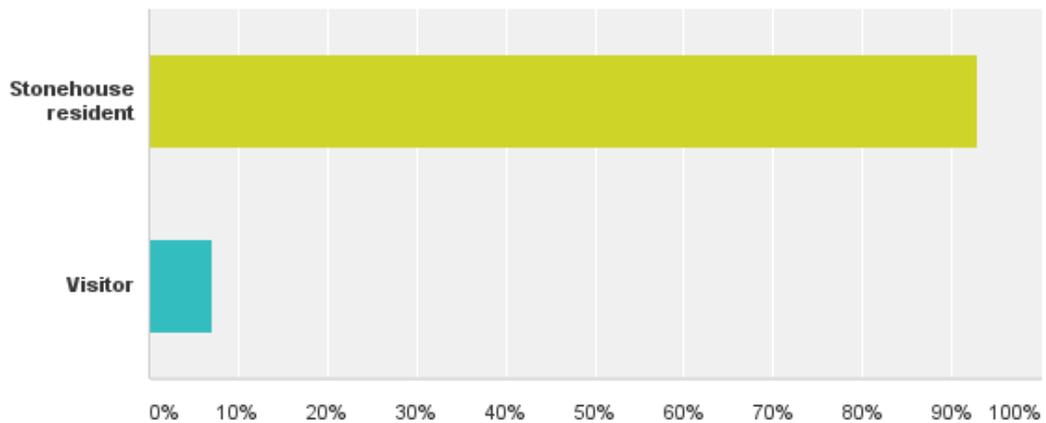
Q1 What is your age?

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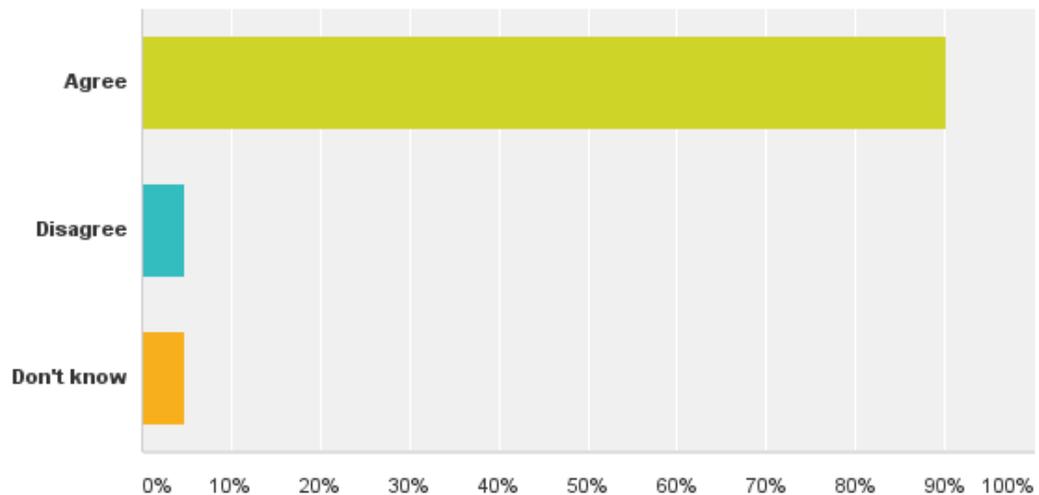
Q2 Where do you live?

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Q4 Draft vision: Over the next 20 years the strong, friendly community of Stonehouse will continue to develop as a distinctive, thriving town set in beautiful countryside with excellent transport links.

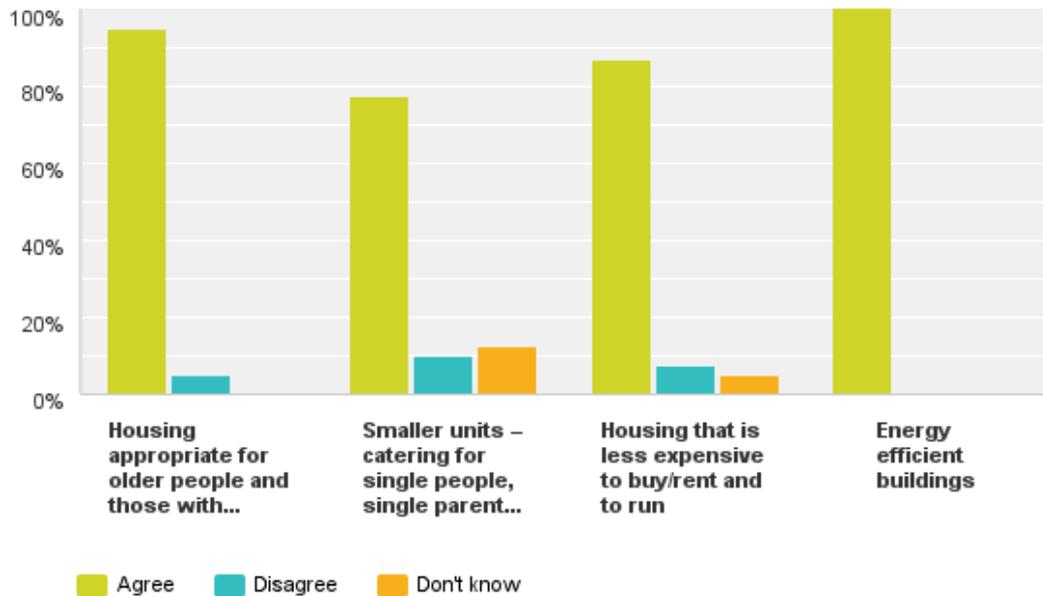
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- More entertainment like a bingo hall for old people.
- I don't think it is a friendly community, some people are left isolated still because no one bothers.
- Sort out litter bad spots!
- It would be great if any new developments increased footfall in the town.
- I do not totally agree but I do not disagree but we must be realistic. The people of Stonehouse are and may always be prorcial, set in their ways. It still has a village attitude but wants to be a town. Many locals old and young find it hard to except outsiders or non-locals living in Stonehouse especially when they try to change the way things are done. These comments are built on experience and observation but these are not reason for not trying we must persevere and not take negativity personally.(Please excuse the spelling)
- There will be to many houses causing more traffic to get anywhere
- It will, as long as it keeps its independence and does not get swallowed up by Stroud/ Gloucester with continual house building.
- This is definitely what we should be aiming for.

Q5 Draft housing objectives:

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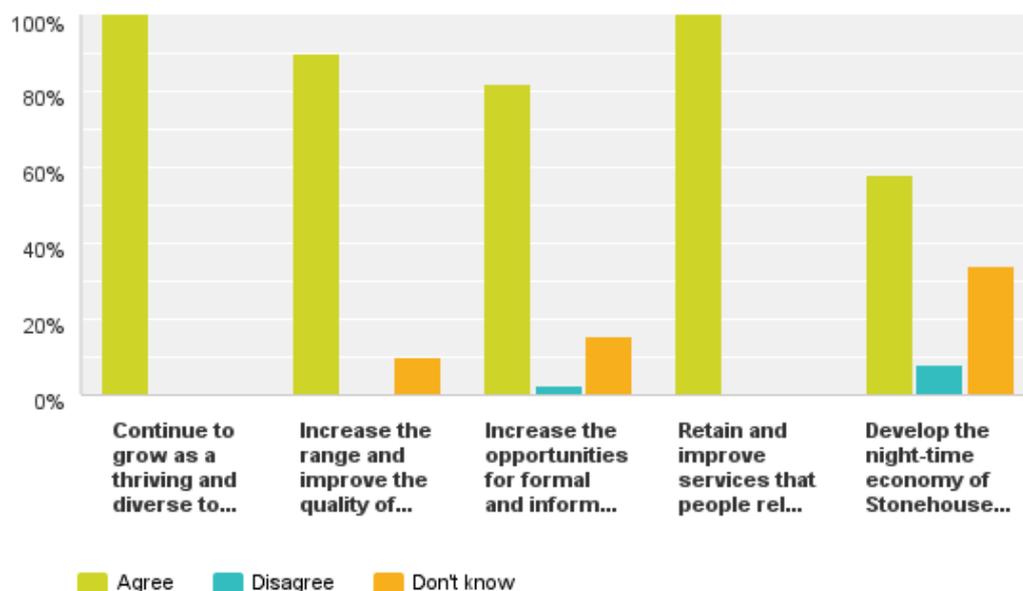


Comments

- Affordability has to be the priority.
- All new housing to also have solar water and solar power.
- This is essential for the welfare of the people of Stonehouse and to help close the gap between elderly and others.
- No to new development. Yes to redevelopment - leave our green sites green!
- We need less 'executive' developments that allow already well off families to just relocate to Stonehouse. We need to support local people to them on the property ladder - shared ownership etc.
- I fail to understand why all new buildings are not energy efficient, with solar or panels and where appropriate small windmills. It would be so much cheaper to build in than add later. Although I understand council properties are now having solar panels installed to existing homes.
- Flats between the industrial estate and the town centre could be attractive to new graduates attracted to the town by the jobs in the industrial estate. At the moment, most of these people live in Cheltenham or Bristol, and contribute to the traffic rush.
- Houses with enough parking off-street such as driveways or Garages - with the average cars per household at above 1.5 in the Stroud District Area I surely can't be the only one annoyed by on street parking.

Q6 Draft community facilities and retail objectives

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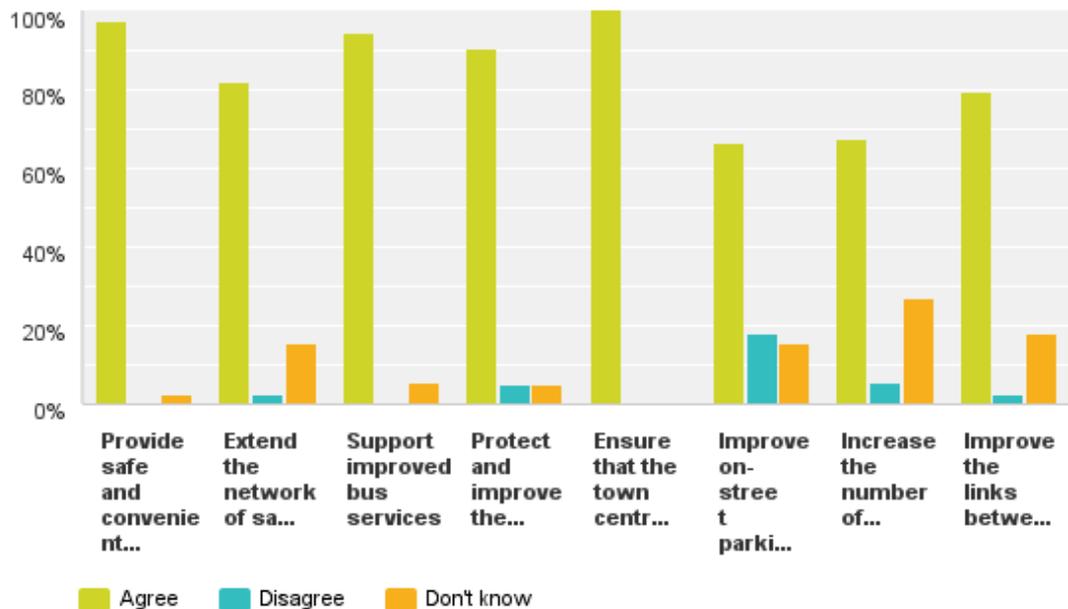


Comments

- Another chemist.
- Night time economy offer is currently poor - an improved offer would keep trade in Stonehouse.
- How will these objectives be achieved? We have a healthy night-time economy! Very loaded questions!
- Banks open on a Saturday would be a food idea and have another supermarket instead of or as well as the Coop. Competition is good for business.
- No more takeaways or cheap/charity shops, more Tolsey 2 and Wynns please.
- Extend the library, try to fund a public swimming pool, open a youth cafe where teens can meet in a safe controlled environment, promote more drama/band gigs in a public venue.
- The reason is probably cost but I feel it was wrong to allow the youth centre to go into disrepair. It had so much space for the whole community to use. I am sure now with the right input it could be restored and a profitable asset for the whole area and wider community to use. Although I have not been inside the new pods they only look big enough for a limited amount of activities and people to organise
- Possible improvements in sporting facilities include a swimming pool. Possible improvements in night-time economy include a community run cinema.

Q7 Draft getting around objectives

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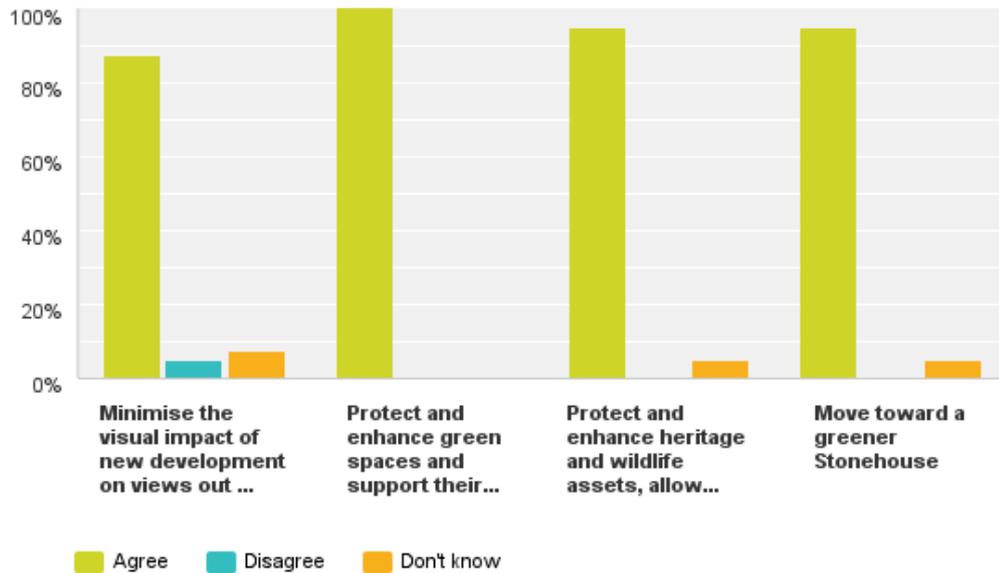


Comments

- Question reopening of Bristol Road station - is it achievable? There is on street parking already.
- More frequent buses.
- This seems to be an excellent idea and if carried out could be a great benefit to all.
- Do not agree with mobility scooters on pavements (going too fast).
- Increase car parking in Stonehouse, especially close to the station. Have better signage and promotion of existing car park next to health centre.
- A good idea to reopen Bristol Road station.
- I suggest more off street parking (safe). Bad parking occurs and blocks right of way. 2. Why no police presence? Attends only when called. 3. No attendance at railway station.
- Links between any new developments are really important.
- Apart from disabled get RID of all street parking in the town centre
- Returning the main car park to a free car park would reduce on street parking. People do not understand the parking zone and shared space .They park were they have always parked and do not understand the zone concept.
- We also need to look at reducing congestion by improving the motorway access at J13, and the access to the Oldends Lane Industrial Estate. This becomes more critical, the more people live in Stonehouse. Personally, I would find an earlier weekday train to Gloucester and Cheltenham (leaving at 7am) useful, and a half hourly service to Gloucester and Cheltenham would be a big improvement.
- On road cycle tracks are needed as many cyclists use pavements and causes a hazard and is very unsafe. Also more off road parking needed and some grass verges could be used without spoiling the streets.

Q8 Draft green space and recreation objectives

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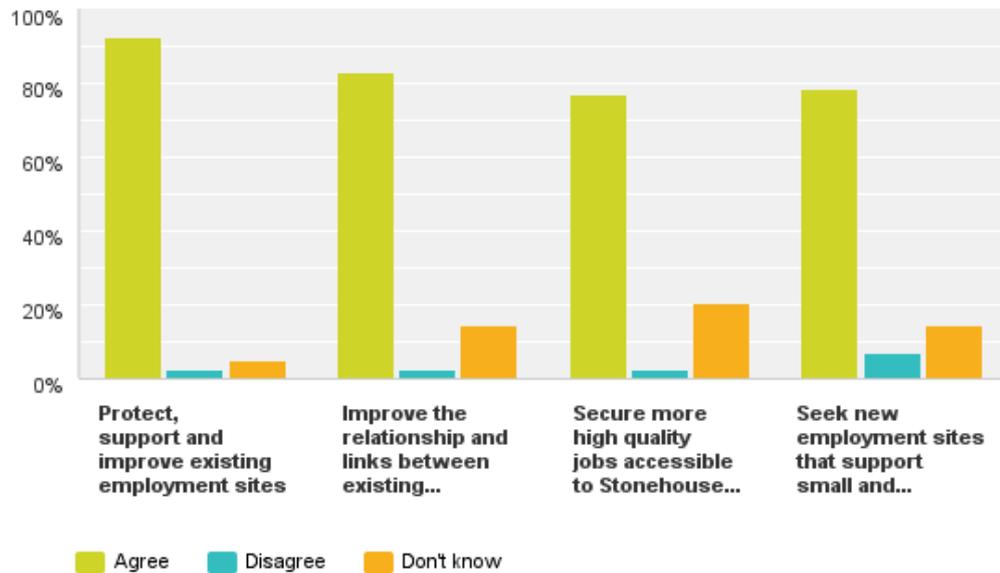


Comments

- What does move towards a greener Stonehouse mean? Huge implication here.
- No to the incinerator
- Manage green spaces/hedges for wildlife
- Links to the countryside are really important
- I don't think that it is particularly important to protect the views into and out of Stonehouse. As a valley bottom town, the views are not a particularly important feature.

Q9 Draft employment objectives

Answered: 42 Skipped: 0



Comments

- Much work done by Opportunities Stonehouse and Gloucester Gateway Services.
- Improve the pedestrian route to the Oldends Lane Industrial Unit.
- If we are going to support new business they must be sustainable not a flash in the pan.
- Not to the detriment of residents.
- Oldends Lane needs to be safer for pedestrians and cyclist.