

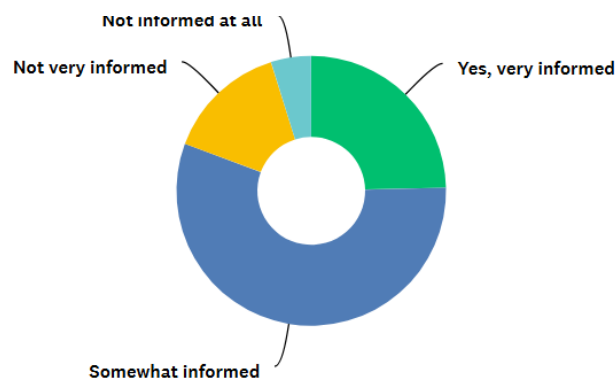
Rottingdean Parish Survey 2025 Results Summary.

Many thanks to all of you who participated in our survey this year. This is a summary of some of the main findings. The full report is [here](#) this includes individual comments made where we asked for information, rather than a YES/NO answer.

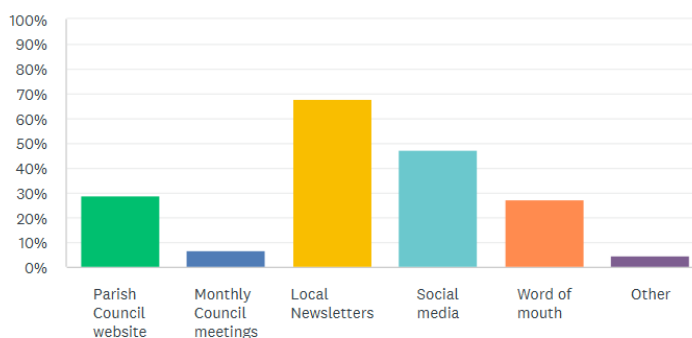
This was our first village-wide survey since 2020 and will help us to focus on identified priorities for Rottingdean over the next few years. The survey was completed by 304 people, an increase on the previous survey by 52.

The majority of people (71%) felt informed or reasonably informed about the work of the parish council and 74% thought the parish council was effective or somewhat effective in addressing community issues. Some respondents suggested it would be good to see Councillors having more of a presence at village events, e.g. the village fair, beach cleans, and Christmas activities.

Informed about the work of the Parish Council



You told us you mainly hear about the work of Rottingdean Parish Council (RPC) via the local magazines, word of mouth and by visiting the website. Some respondents said information was difficult to find. However, only 8% of people got information from the monthly council meetings. Suggestions for improving this included more frequent newsletters and informal events to meet Councillors.



Source of Information

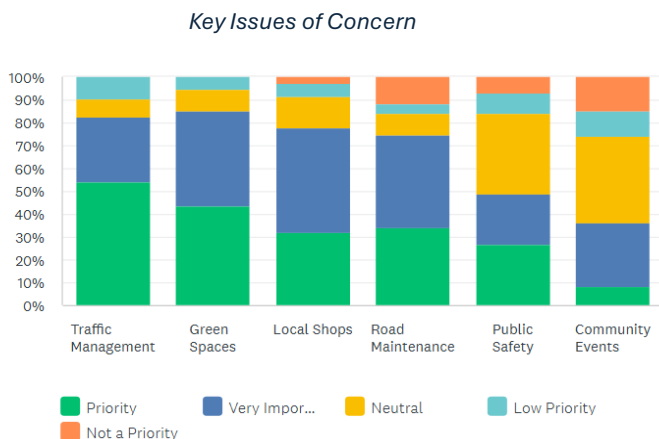
Most people said they liked living in the Village because of its proximity to the sea and countryside and its character and community spirit. However, there were concerns expressed about the limited range of shops on the High Street and the recent loss of services such as the pharmacy. Some respondents said they were worried about the state of repair of empty buildings.

The main area of concern for people was related to the level of through traffic in the High Street and the poor state of repair of the road surface. This was a priority for over half of respondents and important or very important for 80%. People also mentioned the number of HGVs passing through and the lack of parking. People suggested a number of ways High Street traffic could be managed

including a one way system and periods of closure. The lack of parking was also raised by a number of respondents.

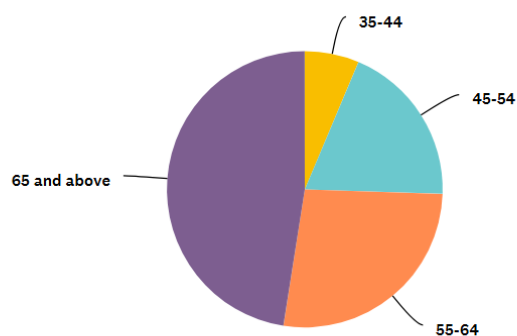
Many respondents expressed concerns about the paving in the Conservation Area. The main concern was the uneven and slippery surface.

It was clear that the management of through traffic was the most important issue for people with protecting green spaces and local shops. Nearly all respondents wanted to see a reduction in the number of cars using the High Street.



The age range of people completing the survey was skewed towards older people with few under 45 responding.

- 48% over 65
- 29% 55 -64
- 16% 45-54
- 8% - 35-44
- Only 1 person under 35 responded.



However, this does match the population demographic from the 2021 census that showed 42% of residents over 60 and 28 % of residents in the 50 to 39 range.

The information gathered from the survey is very valuable and will help Councillors shape future projects and priorities.

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