

APPENDIX B – The Findings

Question 1 – How many people normally live in your household?

	Total no in household	
	Count	%
1	147	18.00
2	344	42.10
3	141	17.30
4	157	19.20
5	26	3.20
6	2	0.20
Total	817	100.00

Question 2 – Please enter the number of people in your household in each age group

	Male	Female	Total
0-4	62	55	117
5-10	85	76	161
11-15	69	66	135
16-17	29	20	49
18-24	48	37	85
25-44	255	309	564
45-59	247	239	486
60-64	66	58	124
65-74	84	102	186
75-84	47	60	107
85+	11	15	26
Total	1003	1037	2040

Question 3 - Where does your household live?

The answer to this question was not recorded on one questionnaire.

	Count	%
Silkstone	444	53.9%
S Common	380	46.1%
Total	824	100.0%

The electoral roll for October 2002 suggests that the number of households in Silkstone is 708 and in Silkstone Common is 574. This means that there was an overall response rate of 64%, of which 63% are from Silkstone and 66% from Silkstone Common.

Question 4 – How many roadworthy vehicles are kept at your property?

		0	1	2	3	4	Total
Cars	Count	104	318	357	38	8	825
	%	13%	39%	43%	5%	1%	100%
Vans	Count	776	47	2			825
	%	94%	6%	0%			100%
Motorbikes	Count	792	27	6			825
	%	96%	3%	1%			100%
Spec Adapted	Count	818	7				825
	%	99%	1%				100%
Lorries	Count	825					825
	%	100%					100%

Question 5 – If you have young children who do not attend nursery or playgroup, why is this?

		1
Nothing Suitable	Count	3
Too Expensive	Count	0
No Place	Count	7
Cannot Get There	Count	1

Question 6 - gender

	Count	%
male	755	48.3%
female	808	51.7%
Total	1563	100.0%

Question 7 - age

	Count	%
11-15	107	6.8%
16-17	38	2.4%
18-24	59	3.8%
25-44	512	32.7%
45-59	440	28.1%
60-64	115	7.3%
65-74	178	11.4%
75-84	97	6.2%
85+	21	1.3%
Total	1567	100.0%

Question 8 - What is most important to you about Silkstone Parish?

	Count	%
Community spirit	244	15.9
Rural environment	848	55.3
Location	373	24.3
Other	17	1.1
Not sure	51	3.3
Total	1533	100.0

Question 9 - Would a local job vacancy board displayed in the Parish notice-boards be useful?

	Count	%
Very useful	235	15.3
quite useful	266	17.4
Useful	427	27.9
Of no use	423	27.6
No opinion	182	11.9
Total	1533	100.0

Question 10 - Do you think there is a need to carry out a project to record the special features of Silkstone Parish (e.g. the Waggonway, Huskar Memorial, significant buildings, natural features)?

	Count	%
Yes	1136	73.9
No	197	12.8
No opinion	205	13.3
Total	1538	100.0

Question 11 - Which types of development would you support in Silkstone Parish ?

		No of ticks	%age of respondents
Q11	Small-scale in-fills	361	23.7
	Conversion of redundant buildings	978	64.2
	Conversion of single to multiple dwellings	101	6.6
	New housing estates	43	2.8
	No new buildings	753	49.4
Total no of respondents		1524	100.0

multiple choice question

Question 12 - What kind of accommodation do you think Silkstone Parish needs?

		No of ticks	%age of respondents
Q12	Homes for young people	367	24.0
	Large family homes	97	6.4
	Small family homes	275	18.0
	Executive homes	97	6.4
	Homes for people with disabilities	189	12.4
	Homes for single people	146	9.6
	Inexpensive homes	333	21.8
	No further homes are needed	836	54.7
	Other	40	2.6
Total no of respondents		1527	100.0

multiple choice question

Question 13 - Do you think that it is important to retain green/open spaces between buildings?

	Count	%
Very important	1268	80.9
Important	257	16.4
Not very important	28	1.8
No opinion	14	0.9
Total	1567	100.0

Question 14 - Should the following be encouraged in and around Silkstone Parish?

		strongly in favour	in favour	no strong opinion	have reservations	definitely not	Total
Small business development	Count	104	264	233	307	374	1282
	%	8.1%	20.6%	18.2%	23.9%	29.2%	100.0%
Small scale industrial workshops	Count	27	109	168	262	675	1241
	%	2.2%	8.8%	13.5%	21.1%	54.4%	100.0%
Retail development	Count	67	170	187	270	564	1258
	%	5.3%	13.5%	14.9%	21.5%	44.8%	100.0%
Leisure development (eg restaurants)	Count	209	438	190	208	276	1321
	%	15.8%	33.2%	14.4%	15.7%	20.9%	100.0%
Tourism development / attractions	Count	121	351	293	218	316	1299
	%	9.3%	27.0%	22.6%	16.8%	24.3%	100.0%

Question 15 - Do you read the Parish Newsletter?

	Count	%
Sometimes I read some of it	194	12.5
I usually read most of it	396	25.5
I always read it all	815	52.4
My household receives it but I do not read it	119	7.7
I have never seen one	31	2.0
Total	1555	100.0

Question 16 - If you read the Parish newsletter, how do you rate the following types of articles?

		not interesting	interesting - about right amount	interesting - would like more	Total
Parish Council business	Count	149	976	173	1298
	%	11.5%	75.2%	13.3%	100.0%
Local group activities	Count	69	869	321	1259
	%	5.5%	69.0%	25.5%	100.0%
News of occasional events	Count	38	741	493	1272
	%	3.0%	58.3%	38.8%	100.0%
Local news items	Count	40	692	569	1301
	%	3.1%	53.2%	43.7%	100.0%

Question 17 - Which of the following do you use (or would like to use in future) to keep informed about local activities and events?

		No of ticks	%age of respondents
Q17	Parish Newsletter	1290	85.0
	Public notice-boards	723	47.6
	Local press - news items	791	52.1
	Local press - community section	580	38.2
	Local press - advertisement	435	28.7
	Parish website	271	17.9
	Direct e-mail	161	10.6
	Open forum at council meetings	167	11.0
	I'm not very interested in local things	55	3.6
	Total no of respondents	1518	100.0

multiple choice question

Question 18 - Which of the following is your major means of transport?

	Count	%
Car	1285	82.7
Bike	24	1.5
Bus	175	11.3
Train	38	2.4
Taxi	16	1.0
Other	15	1.0
Total	1553	100.0

Question 19 - Would you like to see any improvements in the bus service with regard to

	No of ticks	%age of respondents	
Q19	Routes	228	16.0
	Timetable	311	21.8
	Cost	225	15.7
	Reliability	450	31.5
	Frequency	448	31.4
	No opinion	668	46.7
Total no of respondents		1429	100.0

multiple choice question

Question 20 - Would you like to see any improvements in the train service with regard to

	No of ticks	%age of respondents	
Q20	Timetable	273	19.4
	Cost	249	17.7
	Reliability	465	33.0
	Frequency	374	26.6
	No opinion	687	48.8
Total no of respondents		1407	100.0

multiple choice question

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Question 21 - Does Silkstone Parish need any of the following?

		Yes	No	No opinion	Total
More traffic calming	Count	747	461	65	1273
	%	58.7%	36.2%	5.1%	100.0%
Less traffic calming	Count	203	612	121	936
	%	21.7%	65.4%	12.9%	100.0%
Restrictions on heavy vehicles in the villages	Count	1309	52	77	1438
	%	91.0%	3.6%	5.4%	100.0%
More frequent road repairs	Count	1074	87	161	1322
	%	81.2%	6.6%	12.2%	100.0%
Better maintenance of overhanging hedges	Count	954	78	233	1265
	%	75.4%	6.2%	18.4%	100.0%
Less on-road parking	Count	913	146	244	1303
	%	70.1%	11.2%	18.7%	100.0%

Question 22 - What do you think of the state of the following?

		good	reasonable	poor	no opinion	Total
Pavement width	Count	307	739	348	38	1432
	%	21.4%	51.6%	24.3%	2.7%	100.0%
Pavement surface quality	Count	159	681	598	32	1470
	%	10.8%	46.3%	40.7%	2.2%	100.0%
Debris/litter on pavement	Count	289	773	309	37	1408
	%	20.5%	54.9%	21.9%	2.6%	100.0%
Pavement obstructions - branches	Count	219	714	317	131	1381
	%	15.9%	51.7%	23.0%	9.5%	100.0%
Pavement obstructions - parked cars	Count	103	581	638	112	1434
	%	7.2%	40.5%	44.5%	7.8%	100.0%

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Question 23 - Should the Parish Council spend money on ...

		yes from parish council funds raised through council tax	yes if extra grants available	maybe	definitely not	no opinion	Total
Play equipment?	Count %	436 32.4%	586 43.6%	173 12.9%	61 4.5%	88 6.5%	1344 100.0%
Play space close to homes?	Count %	377 28.0%	514 38.1%	249 18.5%	116 8.6%	92 6.8%	1348 100.0%
Indoor meeting place?	Count %	272 19.8%	555 40.5%	329 24.0%	92 6.7%	124 9.0%	1372 100.0%
Acquiring green space?	Count %	381 27.8%	566 41.3%	234 17.1%	75 5.5%	116 8.5%	1372 100.0%

Question 24 - How important are the following features of the surrounding countryside to you?

		very important	important	not very important	no opinion	Total
Woodlands	Count %	1288 85.0%	207 13.7%	13 .9%	7 .5%	1515 100.0%
Hedges	Count %	966 65.8%	403 27.4%	74 5.0%	26 1.8%	1469 100.0%
Dry stone walls	Count %	919 62.9%	437 29.9%	73 5.0%	33 2.3%	1462 100.0%
Meadows and green fields	Count %	1252 82.2%	252 16.5%	12 .8%	8 .5%	1524 100.0%
Traditional farm buildings	Count %	811 56.3%	442 30.7%	107 7.4%	81 5.6%	1441 100.0%
Modern farm buildings	Count %	144 10.4%	303 21.9%	750 54.3%	185 13.4%	1382 100.0%
Ditches	Count %	371 26.8%	399 28.9%	385 27.8%	228 16.5%	1383 100.0%
Lakes, ponds and streams	Count %	981 67.1%	398 27.2%	55 3.8%	29 2.0%	1463 100.0%
Wild flowers	Count %	1122 75.9%	295 19.9%	37 2.5%	25 1.7%	1479 100.0%
Wild birds	Count %	1194 79.4%	261 17.4%	34 2.3%	15 1.0%	1504 100.0%
Wild animals	Count %	1120 77.0%	263 18.1%	51 3.5%	21 1.4%	1455 100.0%
Other (please state	Count %	61 77.2%	9 11.4%	2 2.5%	7 8.9%	79 100.0%

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Question 25 - In relation to local footpaths and bridleways, please answer the following questions ...

		Yes	No	No opinion	Total
Are they well signposted?	Count	979	341	100	1420
	%	68.9%	24.0%	7.0%	100.0%
Are stiles/kissing gates well-maintained?	Count	804	323	253	1380
	%	58.3%	23.4%	18.3%	100.0%
Is the surface good?	Count	633	508	230	1371
	%	46.2%	37.1%	16.8%	100.0%
Are there sufficient resting places?	Count	494	614	290	1398
	%	35.3%	43.9%	20.7%	100.0%
Are they free from obstructions?	Count	617	482	266	1365
	%	45.2%	35.3%	19.5%	100.0%
Would you like a footpath guide to be produced?	Count	1197	78	181	1456
	%	82.2%	5.4%	12.4%	100.0%

Question 26 - Which of the following recycling facilities do you use?

		No of ticks	%age of respondents
Q26	Household glass collection	1145	79.6
	Blue bag paper collection	1150	80.0
	Village bottle bank	520	36.2
	Village paper-bank	416	28.9
Total no of respondents		1438	100.0

multiple choice question

Question 27 - Would you sort your household waste further if other recycling facilities were available?

	Count	%
Yes	1240	82.9
No	255	17.1
Total	1495	100.0

Question 28 - Would you use a community compost scheme?

	Count	%
Yes	715	48.8
No	749	51.2
Total	1464	100.0

Question 29 - If you ever shop in Silkstone Parish, for which of the following reasons is this?

	No of ticks	%age of respondents
Q29		
The local shops give good value	293	19.5
I like to support local shops	799	53.2
I like the social contact	337	22.4
It saves time	804	53.5
It saves transport costs	507	33.7
I don't have transport to go elsewhere	116	7.7
I need 'last minute' items	1140	75.8
Other	81	5.4
Total no of respondents	1503	100.0

multiple choice question

Question 30 - If you usually shop out of Silkstone Parish, for which of the following reasons is this?

	No of ticks	%age of respondents
Q30		
Goods are cheaper there	927	62.0
I have more choice there	1267	84.7
It is convenient to my place of work	247	16.5
Nearer school/nursery	18	1.2
Easy to park	556	37.2
Goods are not available in the village	1073	71.8
Other	76	5.1
Total no of respondents	1495	100.0

multiple choice question

Question 35 - In the past five years, how many of the following crimes have you suffered locally?

		No of ticks	%age of respondents
Q35	Burglary - reported to police	202	28.6
	Burglary - not reported to police	31	4.4
	Vandalism - reported to police	86	12.2
	Vandalism - not reported to police	129	18.2
	Car theft	121	17.1
	Damage to car	220	31.1
	Antisocial behaviour	346	48.9
	Other	42	5.9
Total no of respondents		707	100.0

multiple choice question

Question 36 - Following a crime that you reported to the police, what response did you get?

	Count	%
Visit within 4 hrs	169	37.6
Visit within 1 day	99	22.0
Visit more than 24 hrs later	24	5.3
Telephone	94	20.9
No response	64	14.2
Total	450	100.0

Question 37 - Would you like to join a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme?

	Count	%
yes	656	47.0
no	352	25.2
no opinion	388	27.8
Total	1396	100.0

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Question 38 - How important do you feel each of the following is?

		very important	important	not important	no opinion	Total
Silkstone Common	Count %	829 57.7%	368 25.6%	51 3.6%	188 13.1%	1436 100.0%
Recreation Ground	Count %	935 65.1%	386 26.9%	41 2.9%	74 5.2%	1436 100.0%
Children's play areas	Count %	225 16.5%	490 36.0%	270 19.8%	378 27.7%	1363 100.0%
Hard surface at Silkstone war memorial	Count %	57 4.2%	138 10.3%	883 65.7%	265 19.7%	1343 100.0%
Provision of an internet cafe	Count %	86 6.5%	421 31.7%	515 38.8%	306 23.0%	1328 100.0%
Provision of IT training	Count %	553 38.6%	694 48.4%	92 6.4%	94 6.6%	1433 100.0%
Restoration and maintenance of the Waggonway trail	Count %	232 16.8%	503 36.4%	197 14.3%	450 32.6%	1382 100.0%
Silkstone bowling club	Count %	221 17.2%	397 30.9%	117 9.1%	551 42.8%	1286 100.0%
Chestnuts, Orchard	Count %	577 42.0%	471 34.3%	45 3.3%	281 20.5%	1374 100.0%
Meadow and Wood	Count %	322 23.3%	542 39.3%	160 11.6%	356 25.8%	1380 100.0%
Allotments	Count %	664 46.0%	570 39.5%	107 7.4%	101 7.0%	1442 100.0%
Village pubs	Count %	1166 77.2%	290 19.2%	30 2.0%	24 1.6%	1510 100.0%
Village post offices	Count %					