



Resident Survey 2022 Results Overview

Thank you to all residents who completed our annual survey. We received nearly one thousand responses in total. Several key themes came through and important issues were raised. These included the need for regeneration of our town centres, concerns about the closure of Sainsburys and existing local retail options, traffic and speeding, parking, and community safety. Another insight from the survey is that we need to increase awareness of Town Council's services, buildings and responsibilities.

Your responses will inform the work of the Town Council, and our work with partner organisations in the future. The full survey results are available to view on our website: www.bletchleyfennystratford-tc.gov.uk

Please see below for the Town Council's position on some of the key issues:

- **Regeneration of Bletchley and Fenny "high streets"** - the Town Council is collaborating with Milton Keynes Council and the Bletchley & Fenny Town Deal to try to secure improvements but significant inward investment is needed. Many residents are upset about the loss of Sainsburys. Unfortunately, this store was closed for commercial reasons. High streets everywhere are changing and 57% of our respondents said they do most of their shopping online or in other places than the local shops. Residents said that having more events would breathe life into Queensway and encourage them back into the town centre so the Council has planned eleven events during 2022 to attract footfall. We are collaborating with Milton Keynes Council and the Bletchley and Fenny Town Deal with the projects in the Town Deal investment plan which may affect the high streets and support local businesses.
- **Litter and fly tipping** - 74% of respondents felt there was big problem with litter and the Town Council will continue working with Milton Keynes Council and the volunteer community to try to tackle this more effectively as well as providing dog and litter bins.
- **Grass cutting and landscape maintenance** - nearly 60% of respondents wanted to see the Town Council take on landscaping responsibilities. The plans have now been put in place for this with delivery beginning in April 2023
- **Community safety** - 37% of respondents felt there was an issue with crime in their area and 40% of respondents felt there was a problem where they live with anti-social behaviour. The Town Council will continue to support community safety measures such as provision of CCTV and will keep working with the local TVP community policing team. We will also support community resilience by working with partner organisations and providing grants for community groups.

Please scan the QR code below to view the full results from our 2022 survey



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