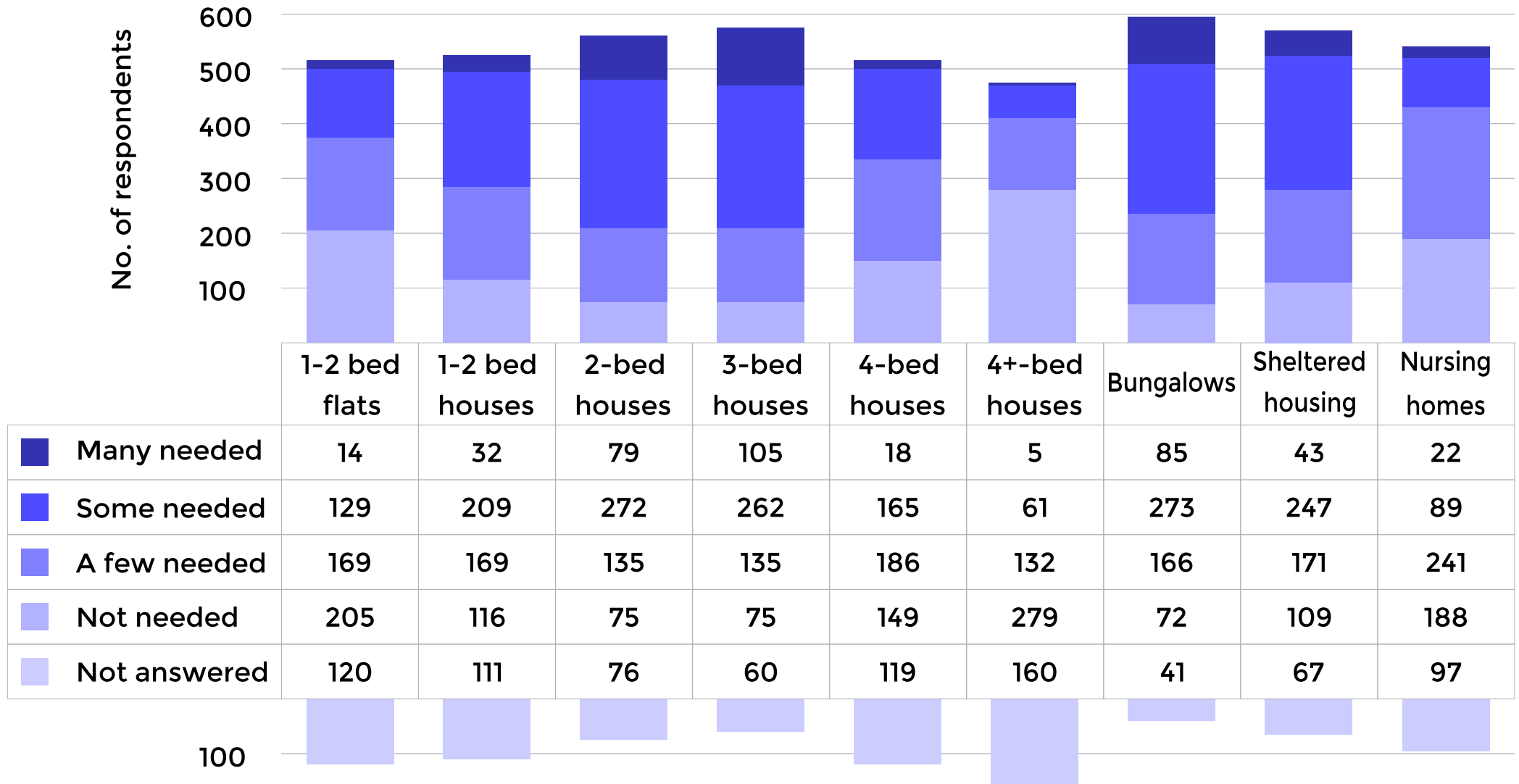


Q1: What are our housing needs for the future?

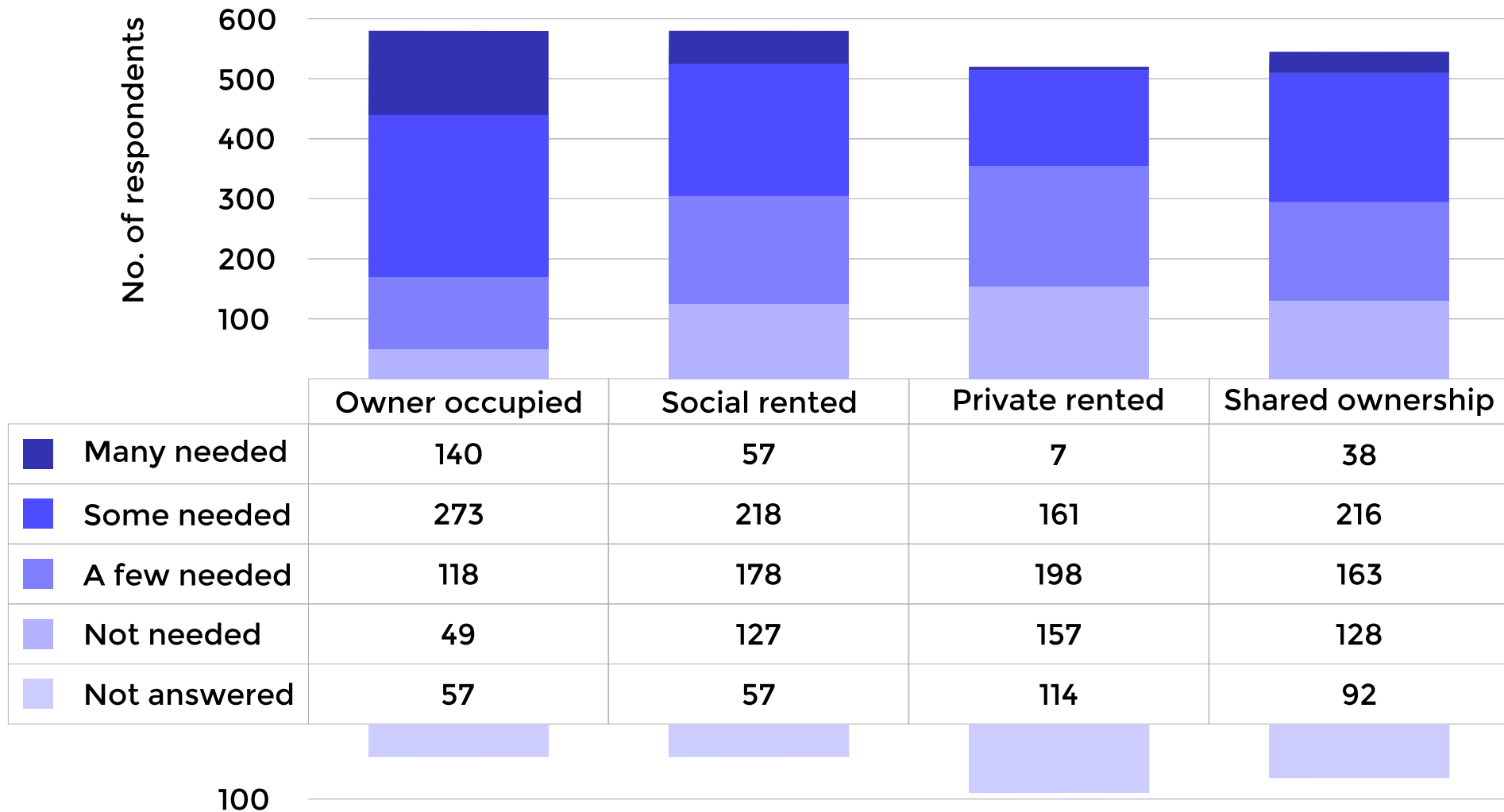
The majority of people feel that 2-3 bedroom houses are what is most needed in Woolpit. Bungalows are also required, aimed mainly at older residents.

Sheltered housing or nursing homes could accommodate the needs of some of them. This reflects the ageing demographic of respondents; more than half are 65 or older.



Q2: What type of home occupation is needed?

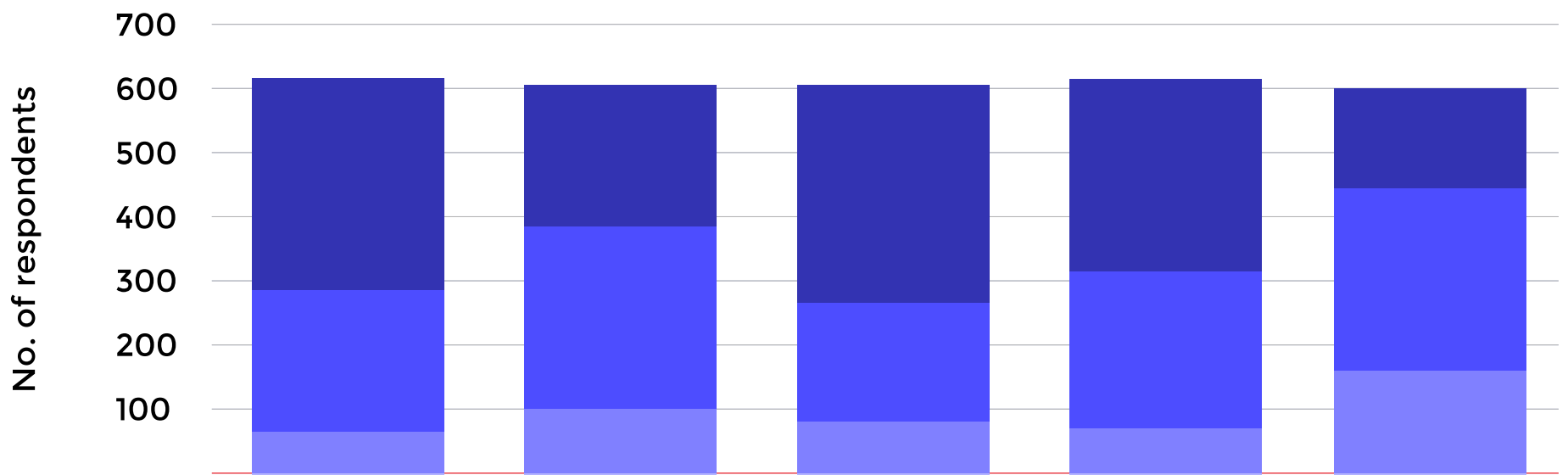
The need for rented properties, particularly social rented, is clearly recognised. However, most of the residents of Woolpit would like to own their own homes. 78.4% of houses in Woolpit are owner occupied; this is similar to the rest of Mid Suffolk.



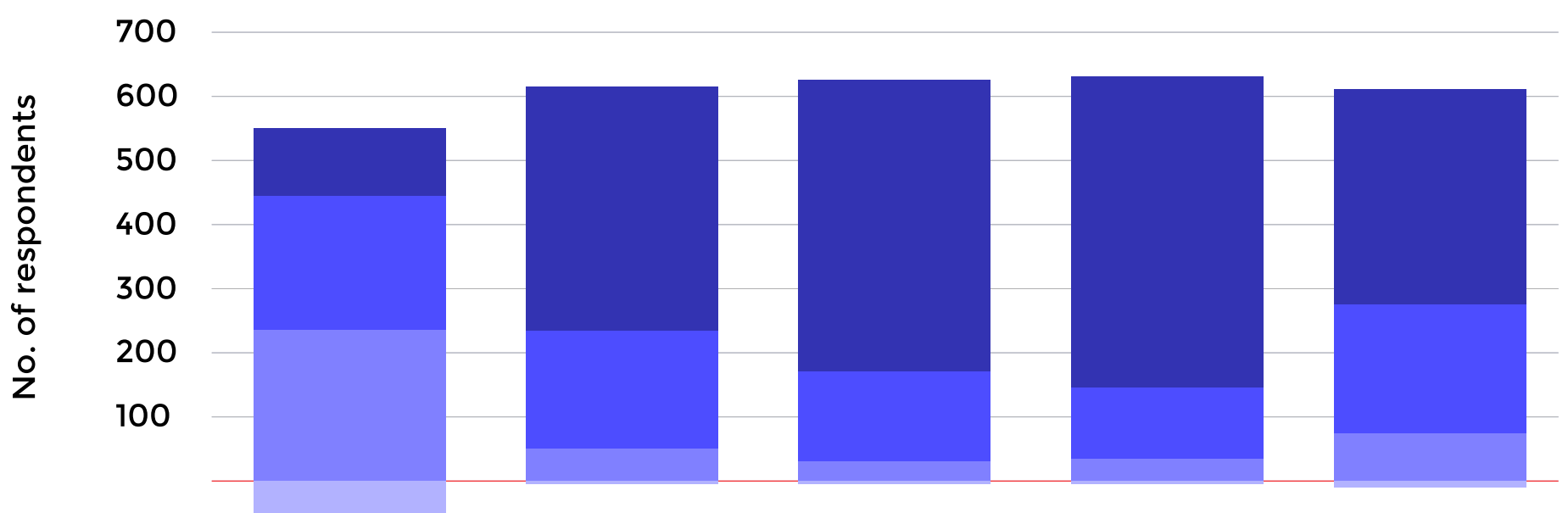
Q3: How important do you think are the following considerations?

Although this question is a wish list, it is clear that for a large majority of respondents, the protection of the historic character and the definition of a village are highly important.

Support for existing businesses is high, but providing new employment opportunities is a lower priority, perhaps because there are already many of these in the village; or perhaps this reflects the fact that nearly 50% of respondents are retired.



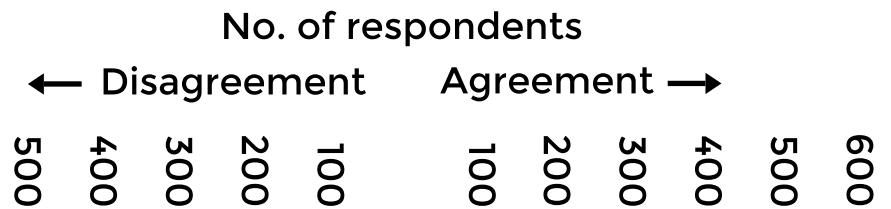
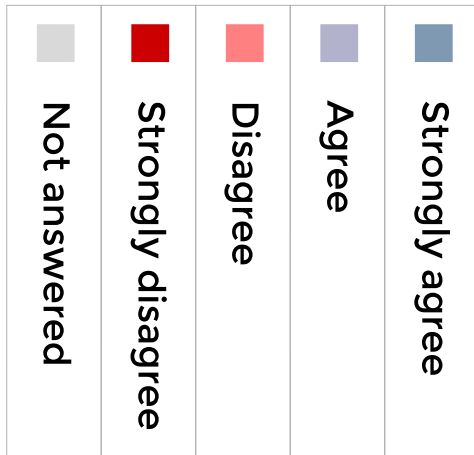
	A high quality, healthy lifestyle for the community	A range of community facilities	Improve safety on roads, cycle paths and footpaths	Adequate access to key services	Support for existing businesses
Essential	326	221	341	299	157
Very important	222	286	185	244	283
Fairly important	65	99	79	69	161
Not at all important	4	11	12	6	13
Not answered	20	20	20	19	23



	Provide for new employment opportunities	Protect the landscape setting of the parish	Protect the historic heritage and village character	Woolpit should remain a village	Protect and enhance the biodiversity of the parish
Essential	105	381	453	484	334
Very important	211	186	139	108	200
Fairly important	237	50	30	33	76
Not at all important	53	4	4	6	11
Not answered	31	16	16	6	16

Q6: Please state how you feel about the following:

The majority view is that the car park should be extended, but not charged for.



Street parking in the village centre should be governed with marked parking spaces and double yellow lines

27	140	193	145	132
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Street parking is critical to businesses and should not be restricted

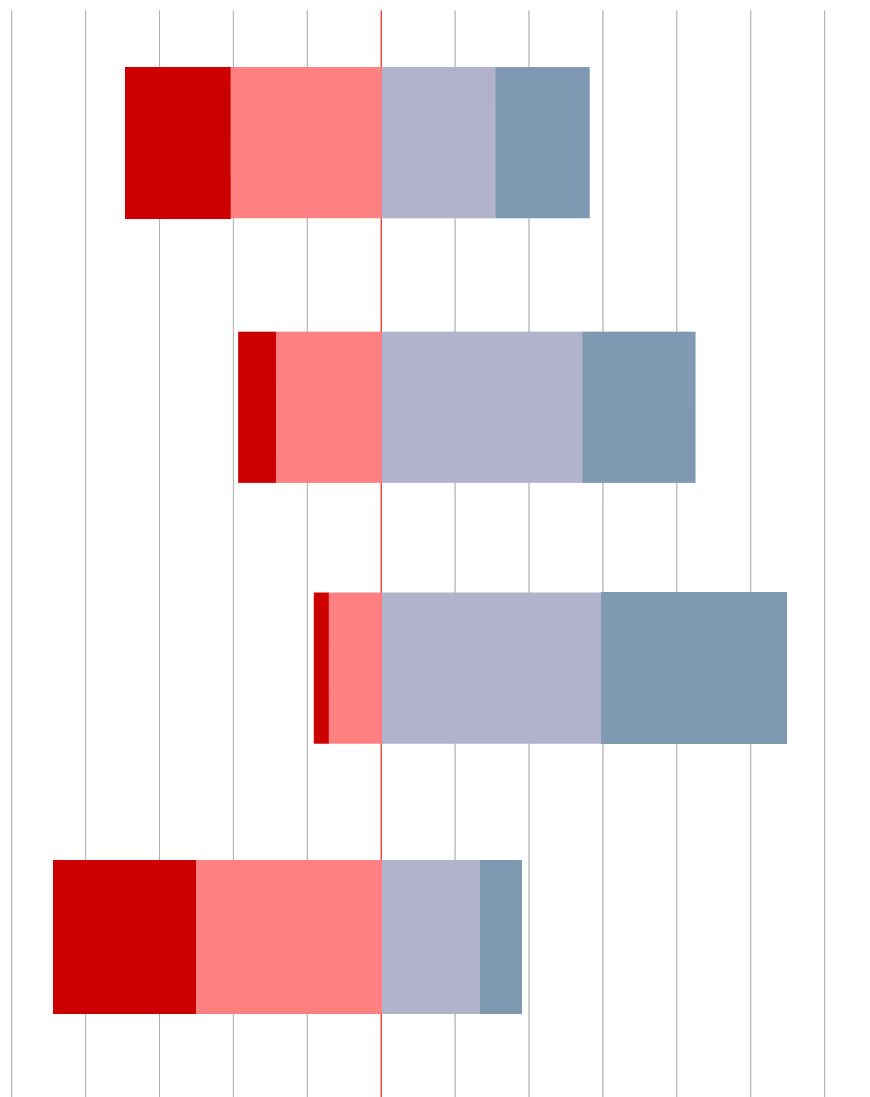
31	48	140	267	151
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The existing car park opposite the church should be extended

12	20	70	291	244
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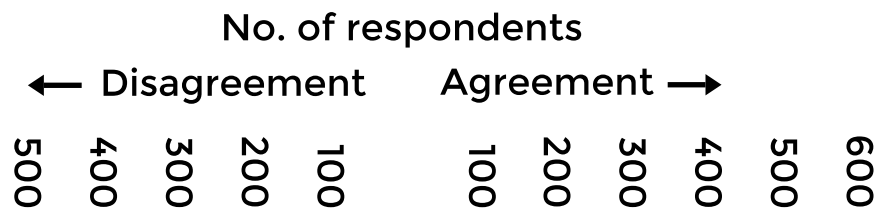
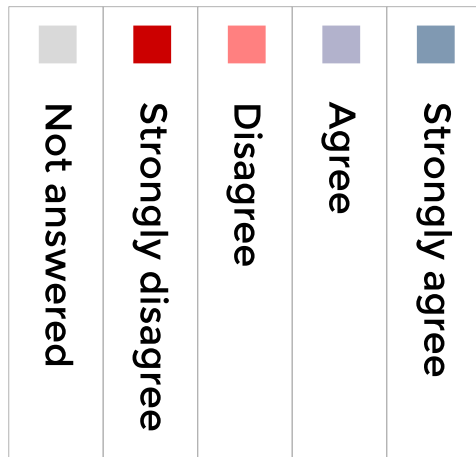
The existing car park should be time limited with charges after a short stay

16	190	243	131	57
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Q6: Please state how you feel about the following:

Current highways restrictions for HGVs are supported.



HGVs should be banned from the village centre except for deliveries

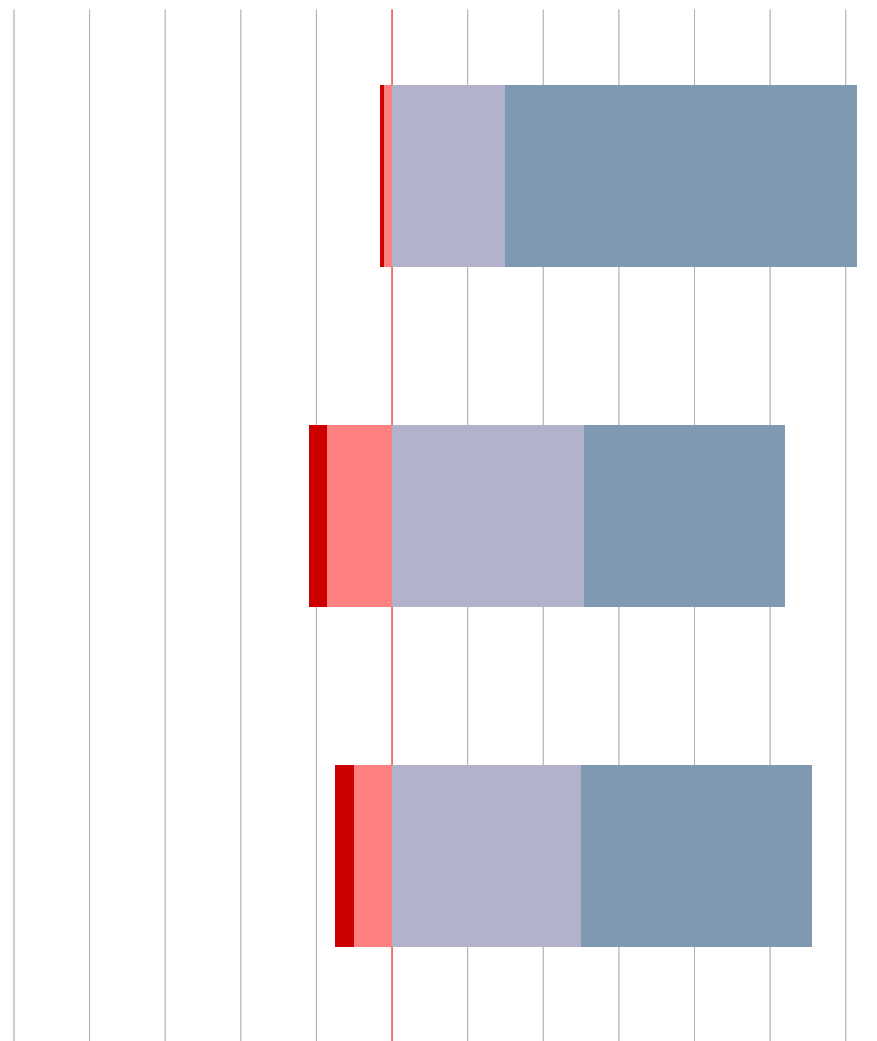
12	7	12	143	463
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The speed limit in the village centre should be reduced to 20 mph

11	23	85	254	264
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All new housing developments should be built with a minimum of two car parking spaces per house

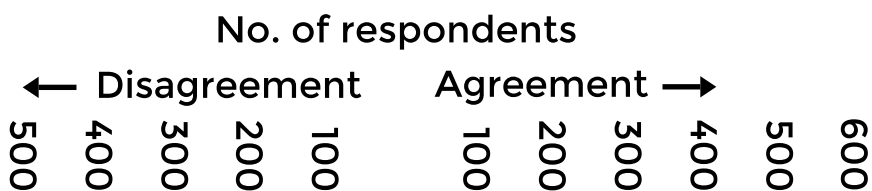
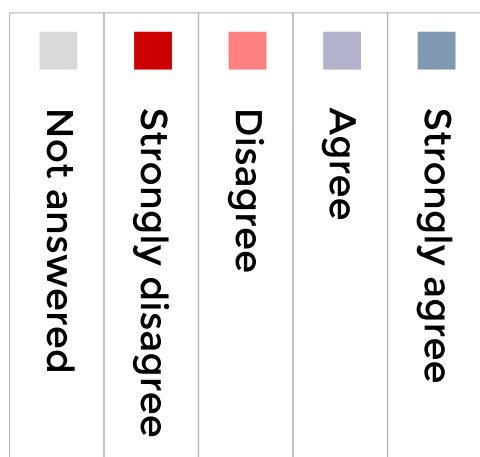
8	25	49	252	303
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Q7: Safety on Heath Road, particularly by the Health Centre and School, has been raised as a concern. How would you feel about the following suggestions?

There is a definite majority of people who consider the speed limit should be restricted, either at key periods or all the time.

Pedestrian crossings in Heath Road would clearly be popular. However, Highways Agency regulations may prove that a crossing is not appropriate unless changes are made to the road network.



There should be a pedestrian crossing by the Health Centre

14	18	90	247	268
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There should be a pedestrian crossing by the School

16	11	79	260	271
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The speed limit should be reduced to 20 mph in this area at key periods

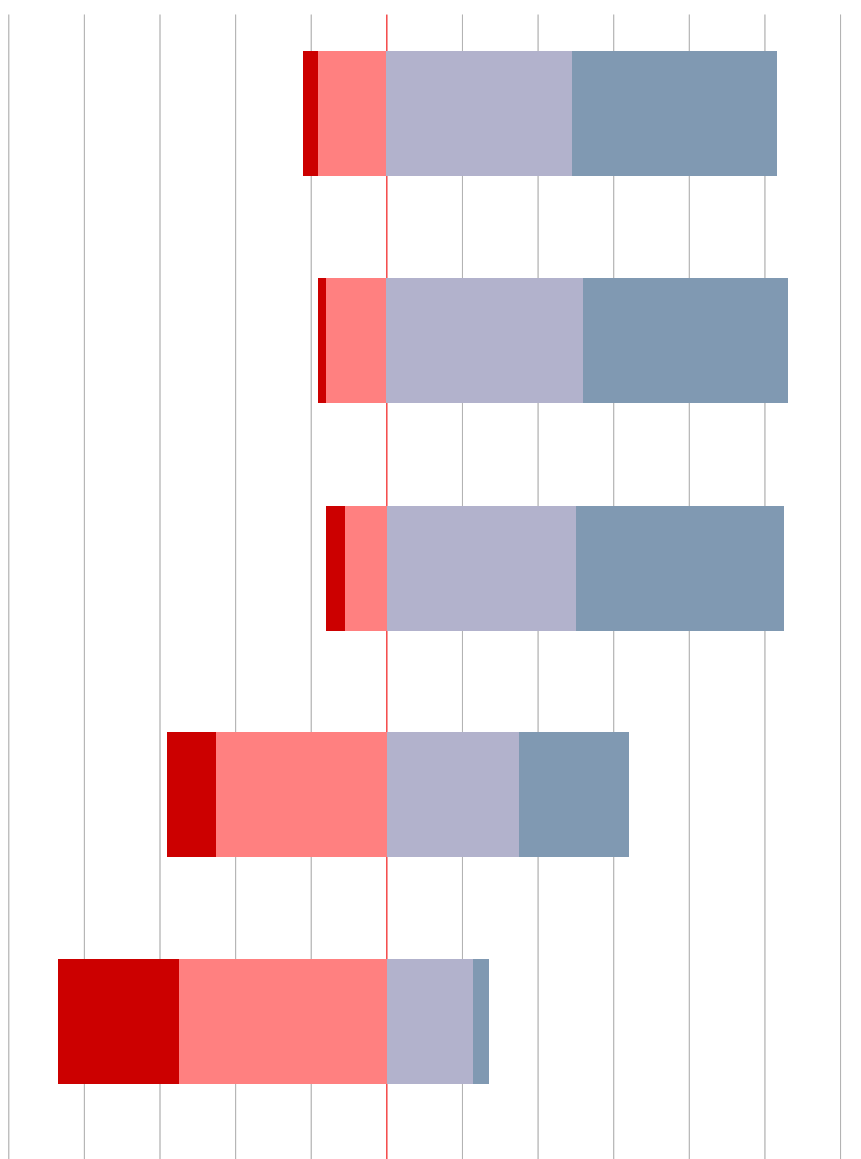
30	24	55	251	277
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The speed limit should be reduced to 20 mph all the time

29	66	224	144	174
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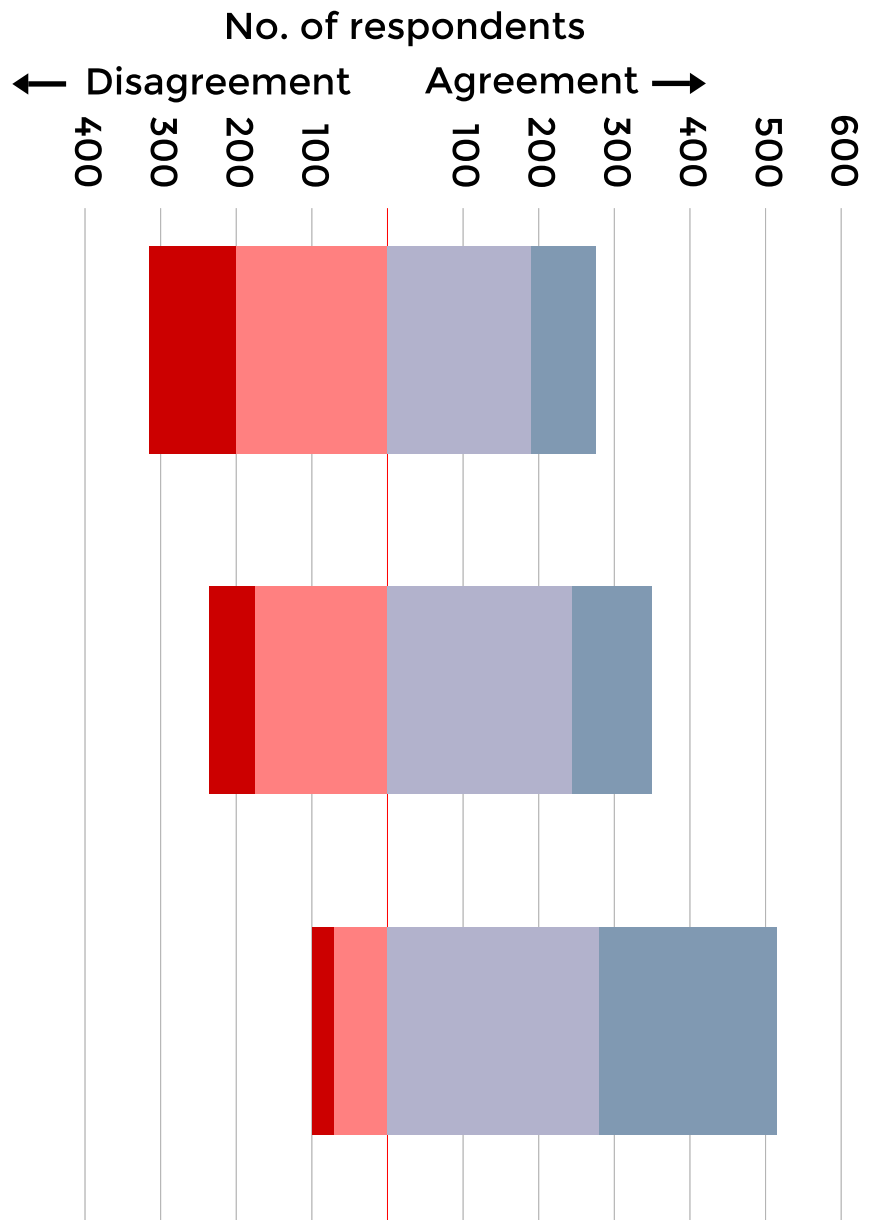
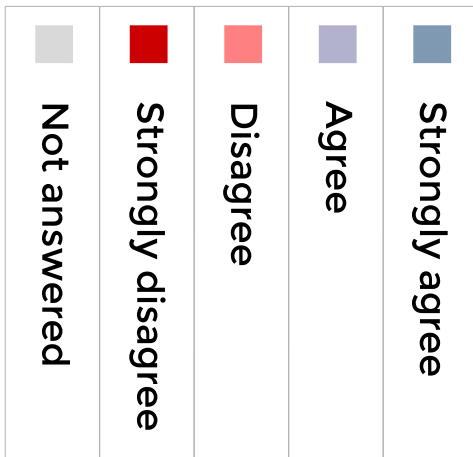
The speed limit should remain the same

71	159	273	115	19
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Q8: Footpaths and cycleways. How would you feel about the following suggestions?

Statements 1 and 2 can be interpreted in a number of ways. However, of clear recognition is the desire for a cycle/footpath between Woolpit and Elmswell. Over 80% of respondents were in favour of this.



The footway in Green between Mill Lane and Drinkstone Road should be widened and the road reduced in width to single carriageway

45	116	200	192	84
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Dedicated cycle lanes should be created including National Cycle Route 51

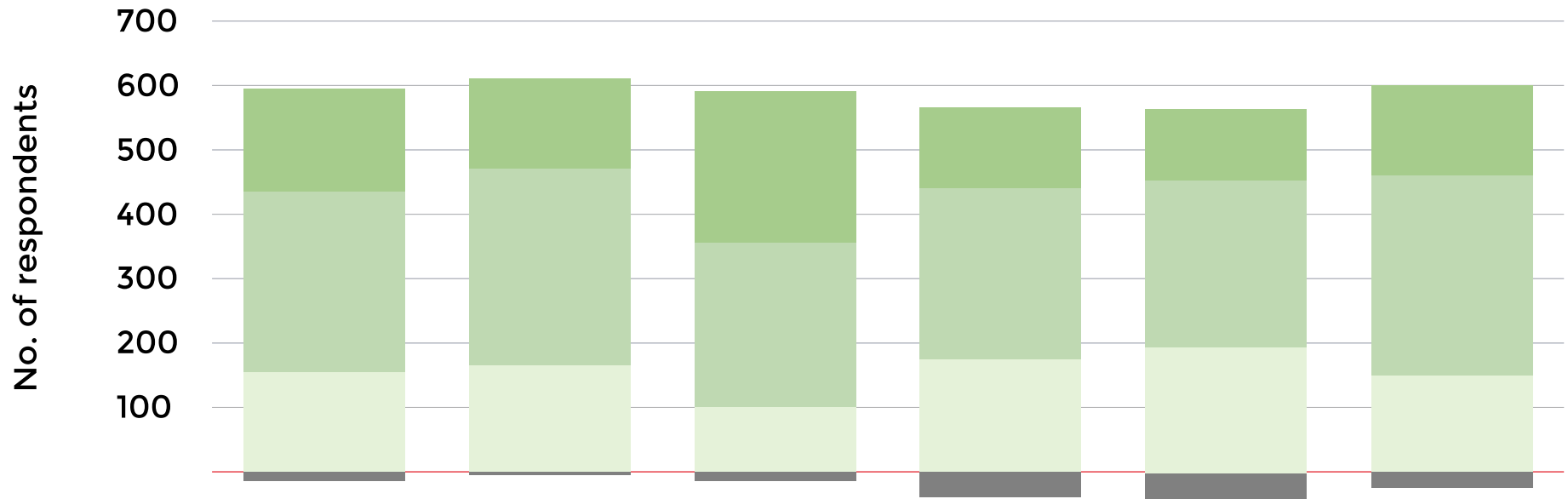
54	58	177	245	103
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A footway/cycle path between Woolpit and Elmswell should be created

26	30	69	278	234
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Q11: How important are the following in creating the 'community feel' within our village?

Having an identifiable / defined village centre is most strongly favoured by the majority of people, however clubs and societies are of importance to more people.



	Centrally located community buildings & facilities	Clubs and societies	Identifiable or defined village centre	Greeting people on the street	Meeting neighbours in local shops and places to eat	Community events
Essential	159	142	235	126	111	139
Very important	279	304	255	265	258	312
Fairly important	155	164	98	174	193	151
Not at all important	16	7	13	42	47	9
Not answered	28	20	36	30	28	26

Q13: How much do you agree to the following statements?

The majority of people who answered felt that the current facilities for young people and teenagers are not adequate for their current needs. This would suggest that any future developments should not only provide the required children's play facilities that regulations insist upon but should consider facilities for older children and teenagers as well.

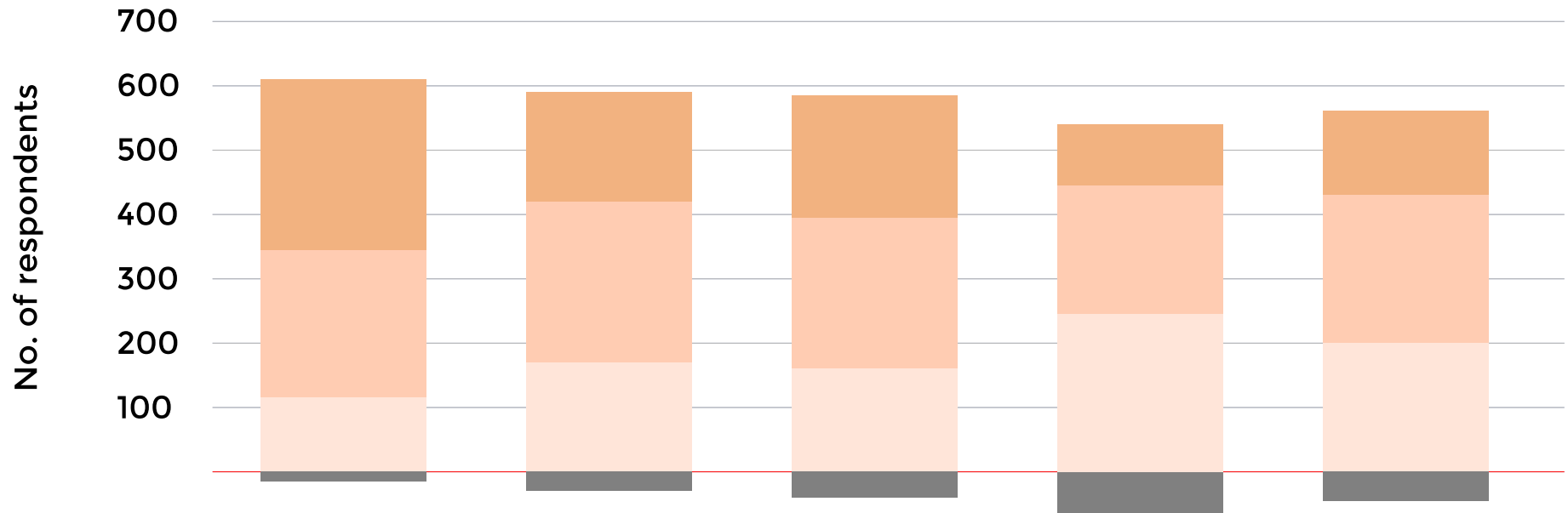


Q14: What facilities would you suggest for teenagers in Woolpit?

The most frequent suggestions were a youth club (60), skate park (36) and football pitch/club (25; 31 if 5-a-side football is added). Comments also expressed concerns regarding who would run and maintain such facilities.

Q15: How important to you, individually or as a family, are the following amenities?

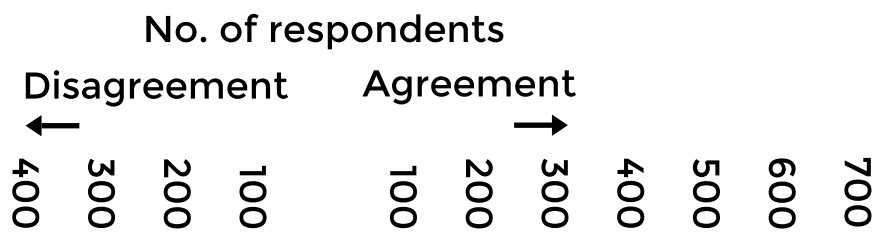
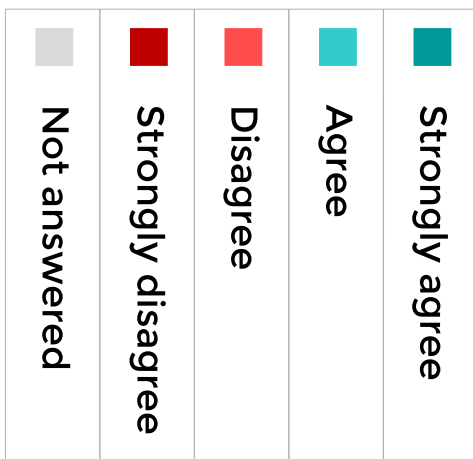
All statements were of some importance to at least 80% of respondents with the highest importance being placed on supermarkets and food shops.



	Supermarkets and food shops	Pubs and places to eat and take-away	Dentist and complementary health services	Non-food shops and services	Tradespeople based in Woolpit
Essential	267	172	189	96	128
Very important	229	248	233	198	229
Fairly important	113	169	160	244	203
Not at all important	17	31	41	67	46
Not answered	11	17	14	32	31

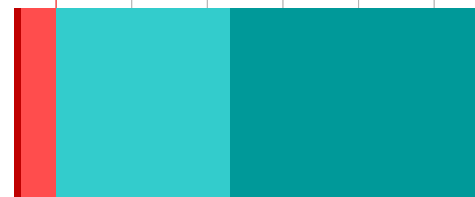
Q17: How much do you agree with the following statements?

The majority of respondents value the environment we live in and would like to keep the rurality of the village.



When sites are allocated for housing, the quality of farmland should be an important consideration.

29	9	45	230	324
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Where new housing replaces farmland or green spaces, hedgerows should be preserved or replaced with native species.

23	6	16	180	412
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Having woodland and farm land around the settlement is an important part of what makes Woolpit a village.

12	4	3	137	481
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