

Appendix 5 Residents Survey 2010

This appendix is an extract of the summary of findings from the Warwick District Council Residents Survey 2010, the full report will be available on the Council's website shortly. 1422 questionnaires returned in November and December 2010 from an original mailing to 5000 residents. Where relevant and in line with previous surveys, not applicable and don't knows have been excluded. The following results have been weighted by ward, gender, age, ethnicity, and household composition.

About the Respondents' Area

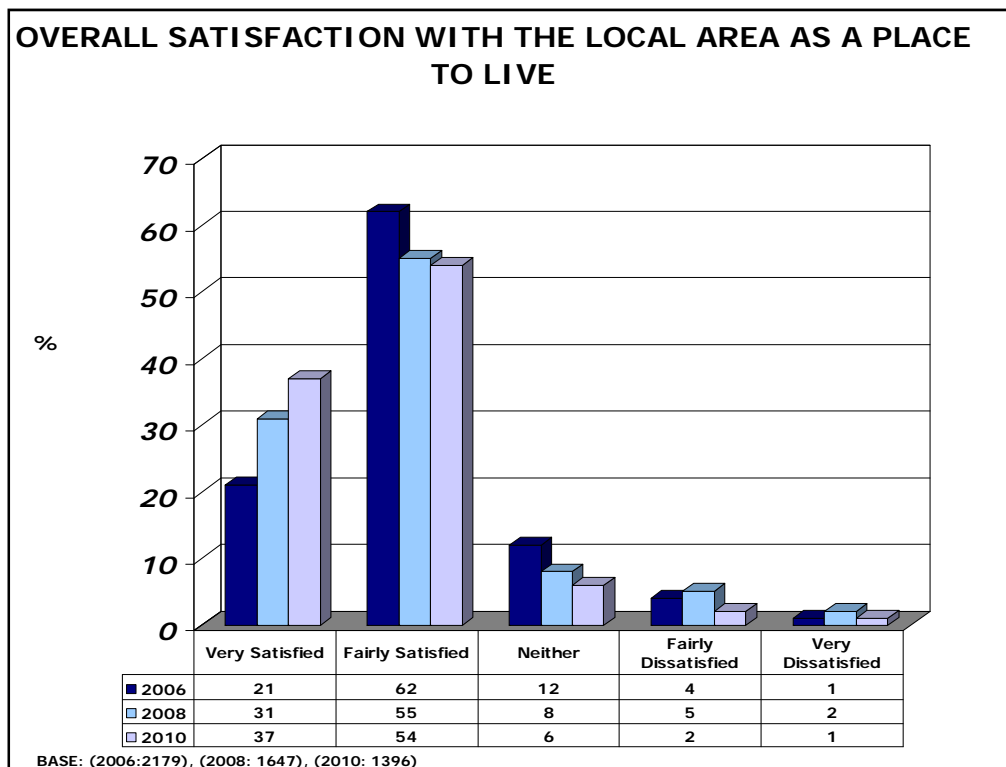
- Residents were asked to say what were the most important things making somewhere a good place to live. The top five in the District were the level of crime; health services; clean streets; parks and open spaces; and education provision.

<i>Thinking generally, which of the things below would you say are <u>most important</u> in making somewhere a good place to live?</i>	2010 %	2008 %	% Differenc e on 2008
The level of crime	62.8	63.5	-0.7
Health services	45.7	40.3	+5.4
Clean streets	42.6	46.3	-3.7
Parks and open spaces	39.3	32.8	+6.5
Education provision	32.5	33.7	-0.8
Affordable decent housing	30.2	30.1	+0.1
Shopping facilities	29.4	31.5	-2.1
Public transport	28.4	29.3	-0.9
Access to nature	25.7	24.5	+1.2
Road and pavement repairs	20.1	16.3	+3.8
The level of traffic congestion	18.5	21.2	-2.7
Job prospects	17.8	16.9	+0.9
Cultural facilities (e.g. libraries, museums)	15.3	15.2	+0.1
Activities for teenagers	13.0	15.2	-2.2
Facilities for young children	11.5	12.1	-0.6
Sports and leisure facilities	10.7	12.2	-1.5
Wage levels and cost of living	10.7	13.4	-2.7
Community activities	9.7	7.7	+2.0
The level of pollution	9.0	11.1	-2.1
Race relations	3.9	2.6	+1.3
Other	1.8	1.8	0.0
Don't know	0.2	0.3	-0.1
None of these	0.1	0.1	0.0
BASE: (All Respondents)	(1252)	(1467)	

- Compared with 2008, parks and open spaces and health services have become a lot more important to residents, with a decline in importance for clean streets; the level of traffic congestion; and wage levels and the cost of living.
- Residents were asked to think about their local area and indicate things that most need improving. The top five improvements were road and pavement repairs; the level of traffic congestion; activities for teenagers; affordable decent housing; and job prospects.
- Compared with 2008, job prospects have increased by 8.4%; and road and pavement repairs have increased by 7.4%, with a decline in the need for improvement for the level of crime at 9.6%; and activities for teenagers has dropped by 8.6%.

<i>Thinking about this local area, which of the things below, if any, do you think most needs improving</i>	2010 %	2008 %	% Difference on 2008
Road and pavement repairs	44.6	37.2	+7.4
The level of traffic congestion	36.9	35.5	+1.4
Activities for teenagers	35.7	44.3	-8.6
Affordable decent housing	24.4	24.5	-0.1
Job prospects	20.8	12.4	+8.4
The level of crime	19.8	29.4	-9.6
Public transport	18.5	20.8	-2.3
Clean streets	18.0	23.7	-5.7
Facilities for young children	14.3	13.9	+0.4
Wage levels and cost of living	13.6	13.6	0.0
Shopping facilities	13.5	12.3	+1.2
Community activities	12.8	14.1	-1.3
Sports and leisure facilities	12.0	14.1	-2.1
Health services	10.0	10.0	0.0
Cultural facilities (e.g. libraries, museums)	9.5	7.7	+1.8
Parks and open spaces	9.5	8.1	+1.4
The level of pollution	6.6	6.3	+0.3
Education provision	4.8	3.9	+0.9
Access to nature	4.6	6.2	-1.6
Race relations	2.3	2.4	-0.1
Other	7.3	6.6	+0.7
Don't know	1.1	1.4	-0.3
None of these	2.4	1.2	+1.2
BASE: (All Respondents)	(1254)	(1490)	

- 91% of those surveyed are satisfied with the local area as a place to live, a rise of 5 percentage points on 2008.



- Eight out of ten (82%) of respondents tend to agree or definitely agree that their local area is a place where people from different backgrounds get on well together.