Consultation Breakdown

The verification and breakdown of the consultation results has been completed by Parish Council staff.

- There were 15 responses voided and removed while the consultation was open due to not having the information required on guestion 8.
- There was a total of 257 responses.
- Anomalies there were 14 anomalies. These were responses that we could not verify on the electoral register. There were also 6 paper copies that were all in the same handwriting with very similar answers and 2 of them could not be verified and are included in the total 14 anomalies. These anomalies have been included in the outcome because we are aware that some of the names on this list do live in the Parish and the issue is with MDC's electoral register.
- Gemma and I removed 7 responses 4 were duplicates, 2 lived outside of the Parish and 1 was underage.

Q1 Do you want to keep the Town Hall?

There were 2 votes more for not keeping the Town Hall. (126 to 124)

Q2 Would you be happy for the Parish Council to increase the precept (council tax) to pay for repairs and maintenance (including building survey works)?

People of the Parish do not want the precept increasing to pay for the maintenance of the Town Hall.

Q3 If you answered 'yes' to keeping the Town Hall and would like this to be done via a community group, would you be willing to be part of that group and take on full responsibility of the Town Hall?

50 people wanted to be part of a group to take on the responsibility/ownership (with a lease/contract) of the Town Hall. All 50 will be contacted over the next week to confirm if they still wish to be part of the group.

Q4 Is there another way the money can be raised to pay for the maintenance and repairs (including building survey works) of the Town

There were a few really good and productive answers that the council could use. Unfortunately, a lot of the answers were aimed at what MDC or NCC should be doing. The Chair will expand on the roles/duties of MDC and NCC as there seems to be some confusion.

Q5 If you answered 'no' to keeping the Town Hall, what would your preference be from the following options.

The majority of people would rather staff work from home if we didn't have the Town Hall.

Q6 What would you like to see the precept spent on? Please prioritise these in order of importance from 1 to 5, 1 being the highest priority and 5 the lowest.

The top 5 priorities that people listed as what they would like to see the Parish Precept spent on was as follows:

- 1) Outreach Programmes
- 2) Support and encourage local businesses3) Maintain areas within the Parish
- 4) Improve the Town Centre
- 5) Continue to support local groups and organisations

This is something that the Parish Council will be reviewing and working towards.

The least favoured options were:

- 1) Providing educational courses
- 2) Investing and co-ordinate community events
- 3) Providing a market.

Q7 Is there something that isn't mentioned on the list that's a priority to

you?This is very similar to the answer given for Q4.

Q8 Please give your details in the comment box: Surname, postcode,

This was for people to add their details for verification purposes.