



REPORT TO COUNCIL

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CHANDLERS SITE REDEVELOPMENT

Consultation on Proposed Angmering Parish Council/Landspeed Scheme

Results

As at 20th August 2018, 70 completed survey forms had been received from adults more than half of which were received shortly after the presentation, with an extension in time to 24th July expected to bring further replies. The village Brownie pack (ages 7 to 10) were also given the opportunity to comment, which 22 did, and their observations are dealt with separately. The following analysis makes interesting reading.

Adults

The **overall** position is that 52, or **74%**, were completely **in favour** of the proposed development, although amongst these there were elements not considered necessary. In addition a further 11 (17%) had expressed support, but were not sure or had expressed reservations. Only 7 (10%) indicated they were against the proposed development altogether. A summary of all of the comments received will be produced with the final report, with some indication of the response for each of them.

Each Item contained within the project was then considered separately and the results for these were:

- The proposed **Housing** was supported by 48 (68%) of the returns with 26% against. A further 5% supported housing only if it was affordable.
- The **Business Centre** received full support from 58%, whilst a further 15% appeared to be uncertain about what was proposed. Only 26% were opposed to this.
- The **Food Retail Unit** was strongly backed by 73%, with 23% against. Concern was expressed about the effect on the current COOP Food store.
- The **Community Hub**, which would be in the same building as the Business Centre, was again well supported by 67%, with 22% against. Again respondents expressed some confusion about the purpose of this element.
- Not surprisingly perhaps, the provision of **Car Parking** was the most popular element with 87% support against just 3 returns (5%) against.
- The provision of **Public Toilets** was supported by 80% with the remaining 20% all claiming this was not needed.
- Once again, a potentially surprising result was that the **Community Garden** proposal

was the least popular with just 48% for and 37% against with 15% undecided. It looks as though this is the proverbial 'Marmite' item with strong views being expressed both ways.

Children

The Brownie pack responses concluded a rather different set of results, although the overall approval rating for the scheme was high at 64%, with 23% against it. One interesting return had agreed that all of the constituent elements were desirable, but voted against the project!

The approvals were strong for **Public Toilets** (100%); **Food Retail Unit** (86%); **Car Parking** (68%) and **Community Garden** whilst the **Business Centre** (41%); **Housing** (27%) and **Community Hub** (27%) were less popular.

What was interesting were the comments from the children were the things they did want to see, with fast food outlets being the most common, such as McDonalds (2); Dominoes; Fast Food (3); Coffee Shop (3); and Restaurant or Café (3) being the most common. In addition, there were calls for a sweet shop; a swimming pool; houses for the homeless; evening youth entertainment with one asking for 'more school supplies for her school because they did not have enough'.

Some things are possible, alas, some are not.