

Brixton Parish Plan Survey Results 2010

Household

Q1 How many people, including children, normally live in your household?

		Count	Sum
Number of household members	0	2	
	1	37	
	2	95	
	3	21	
	4	20	
	5	2	
	6	1	
Total		178	386

Q2 How many of your household are registered disabled?

		Count	Sum
Number of household members registered disabled	0	150	
	1	24	
	2	4	
	Total	178	32

Q3 Where does your household live?

	Count	Column N %
Brixton village	141	79%
CarollIsland	7	4%
Brixton Torr	10	6%
Combe	4	2%
Spriddlestone	3	2%
Elburton	0	0%
Other rural location	12	7%
No response	1	1%
Total	178	100%

Q4 Is this dwelling:

	Count	Column N %
Private rented	15	9%
Housing Association rented	20	11%
Owner occupied	133	76%
Shared equity	6	3%
By virtue of employment (eg tied)	0	0%
Farm	1	1%
Other	0	0%
Total	175	100%

**Q5 Do you have flooding problems with
surface water/storm drainage in the Parish?**

	Count	Column N %
Many problems	7	4%
Few problems	30	17%
No problems	133	75%
No opinion	8	4%
Total	178	100%

**Q6a How many members of your
household left Brixton for employment
reasons in the last 5 years?**

	Count	Sum
0	163	
1	12	
2	1	
3	2	
Total	178	20

**Q6b How many members of your
household left Brixton for housing
reasons in the last 5 years?**

	Count	Sum
0	169	
1	7	
2	1	
3	1	
Total	178	12

Q7 If given the chance, how many former member of your household do you think would like to return to the Parish?

	Count	Sum
0	153	
1	16	
2	7	
4	2	
Total	178	38

Q8 Where are your household's vehicles normally parked?

	Count	Row N %
In a garage	66	23%
Off the road	171	60%
On the road	48	17%
Public car park	1	0%

Q9 Do you, or anyone in your house, have the responsibility of caring for someone?

	Count	Column N %
No	151	85%
Outside home	9	5%
At home	17	10%
Total	177	100%

Q10 What are your views on the following services:

	Good	OK	Poor	No opinion
	Row N %	Row N %	Row N %	Row N %
Views on TV reception	42%	38%	19%	2%
Views on radio reception	43%	38%	14%	5%
Views on mobile phone reception	15%	24%	52%	8%
Views on broadband	21%	25%	30%	24%

Q11 Does your family need a pre-school playgroup in the Parish?

	Count	Column N %
Yes	12	7%
No	132	76%
Don't know/not applicable	30	17%
Total	174	100%

Q12 If you have children, how many take part in activities arranged by their school out-of-hours?

	Count	Sum
0	162	
1	8	
2	8	
Total	178	24

Q13 If any of your children are unable to take part in after-school activities, at their school or elsewhere in the Parish, please indicate why:

	Count	Table Total N %
Not applicable	98	55%
No public transport available	3	2%
Distance between home and school	4	2%
Road safety hazards	1	1%
No suitable activities on offer	5	3%
Too expensive	0	0%
Other	2	1%

Personal

Q16 What gender are you?

	Count	Column N %
Female	185	56%
Male	144	44%
Total	329	100%

Q17 What age group do you belong to?

	Count	Column N %
11-16 years old	15	4%
17-21 years old	14	4%
22-39 years old	34	10%
40-59 years old	113	33%
60-64 years old	43	13%
65-74 years old	66	20%
75-89 years old	49	14%
90+ years	4	1%
Total	338	100%

Q18 Do you experience transport difficulties getting from Brixton to other places?

	Count	Column N %
Often	37	11%
Occasionally	138	42%
Never	150	46%
Total	325	100%

Q19 Where would you like to see improvements to transport services?

	Count	Table Total N %
Pedestrian/cycle access to Elburton	154	44%
Pedestrian/cycle access to Yealmpton	180	52%
Public transport to City Centre	147	42%
Public transport to Plymstock	88	25%
Public transport to Plympton	104	30%
Other	26	7%

Q20 How important is the bus service to you?

	Count	Column N %
Essential	37	11%
Important	120	36%
Not important	87	26%
Do not use the bus	93	28%
Total	337	100%

Q21 If you use the bus service, what do you use it for?

	Count	Table Total N %
Travelling to work	25	7%
Shopping	137	39%
Medical visits	43	12%
Social & leisure activities	116	33%
Other	23	7%

**Q22 Would you like to see any improvements in the bus service
with regard to:**

	Count	Table Total N %
Routes	73	21%
Cost of fares	65	19%
Reliability	125	36%
Location of bus stop	27	8%
Access for those with disabilities	22	6%

**Q23 Do you think there are
problems with road safety in the
Parish?**

	Count	Column N %
Yes	208	65%
No	112	35%
Total	320	100%

Q24 Would you support improvements to road safety in the Parish in relation to the following:

	Count	Table Total N %
Narrow pavements	74	21%
Lack of pavements	93	27%
Traffic speed in the village	227	65%
Traffic speed in lanes	163	47%
On-street parking	90	26%
Pedestrian crossing points	112	32%
Other	30	9%

Q26 Do you have regular access to, and the use of, a car or motorcycle?

	Count	Table Total N %
Car	308	89%
Not ticked	40	11%
Motorcycle	8	2%
Not ticked	340	98%

Q27 If Yes, what do you use the vehicle for:

	Count	Table Total N %
Business journeys	87	25%
Transport to work	132	38%
Transport children to school/college	41	12%
Leisure	277	80%
Shopping	279	80%
Other	26	7%

Q28 To reduce car usage would you consider any of the following community-based options?

	Count	Table Total N %
Community pool car	28	8%
Car sharing	50	14%
Voluntary Car Service	42	12%
Other	16	5%

**Q29 Do you think access to the
countryside through the footpath
network is:**

	Count	Column N %
Good	178	51%
Poor	80	23%
No opinion	90	26%
Total	348	100%

**Q30 What do you think would improve the visual character of the
Parish?**

	Count	Table Total N %
Protection/management of trees/hedges	186	53%
More creative design of buildings	47	14%
More enforcement of planning controls	76	22%
Provision and siting of litter bins	105	30%
Listed building status for more buildings	15	4%
Seats and benches	30	9%
Greater control of fly-tipping	154	44%
Repairs to....	31	9%
Other	39	11%

**Q31 Is Brixton considerate towards its
environment?**

	Count	Column N %
Yes	127	36%
Not sure	142	41%
Maybe	46	13%
Don't care	33	9%
Total	348	100%

Q32 What is good about existing efforts to protect the environment in Brixton Parish?

	Count	Table Total N %
Management of open spaces and play spaces	67	19%
Reducing waste & recycling	148	43%
Public transport	46	13%
Allotments and local food production	99	28%
Wildlife protection and enhancement	45	13%
Litter clearance	73	21%
Landscape protection	43	12%
Other	18	5%

Q33 What could Brixton do better to ensure it is an environmentally sensitive community?

	Count	Table Total N %
Improve management of the park, open spaces and play spaces	81	23%
Reduce waste and increase recycling opportunities	138	40%
Improve public transport options	157	45%
Improve facilities for pedestrians & cyclists	193	55%
Improve wildlife protection and enhancement	79	23%
Improve litter clearance	122	35%
Allotments and local food	65	19%
Reduce light pollution	74	21%
More action to reduce our carbon emissions	41	12%
Reduce road noise	103	30%
Other	11	3%

Q34 What would you like to see done to help Brixton reduce waste and increase recycling?

	Count	Table Total N %
Provide bottle bank, etc.	248	71%
Going plastic bag free	135	39%
A Community Composting Scheme	115	33%
More advice and guidance on waste reduction and recycling	63	18%
Other	8	2%

Q35 In which areas would you like to see Brixton being more wildlife friendly?

	Count	Table Total N %
Wildlife enhancements to school grounds	137	39%
Wildlife enhancements to road verges and hedgerows	148	43%
Wildlife enhancements to churchyard	99	28%
Wildlife enhancements to the park	100	29%
Advice on Wildlife friendly gardening	116	33%
Other	9	3%

Q36 What would you like to see done to help Brixton reduce its carbon emissions?

	Count	Table Total N %
Support/advice for homes to be more energy efficient	156	45%
Support/advice for businesses to be more energy efficient	96	28%
Local examples of Renewable Energy projects	107	31%
Local car club/car-sharing scheme	42	12%
Turning off street lights between midnight and dawn	156	45%
More allotments	98	28%
Other	8	2%

Q37 Are you at present?

	Count	Column N %
Employed	106	32%
Self-employed	42	13%
Unemployed	7	2%
In a government training scheme	1	0%
In full-time education	25	7%
Wholly retired	126	38%
Un-waged wife/husband/partner	9	3%
Permanently sick	3	1%
Permanently disabled	14	4%
Other	3	1%
Total	336	100%

Q38 If you earn a wage, is your work:

	Count	Column N %
Unskilled	4	3%
Semi-skilled manual	9	6%
Skilled manual	26	17%
Clerical	12	8%
Professional/Managerial	92	60%
Other	11	7%
Total	154	100%

Q39 Where is your main place of work or study?

	Count	Column N %
At home	30	18%
Elsewhere in the Parish	12	7%
Outside Parish, within 10 miles	90	55%
Within 11-30 miles of home	20	12%
Over 30 miles from home	13	8%
Total	165	100%

Q40 What is good about Brixton's economy

	Count	Table Total N %
Local employment	47	14%
Numbers of small businesses	101	29%
Support for local enterprise	44	13%
Other	23	7%

Q41 How could it be improved?

	Count	Table Total N %
More local employment	109	31%
Greater numbers of small businesses	101	29%
Increased support for local enterprise	128	37%
More marketing and promotion	57	16%
Other	5	1%

Q42 Do you feel that you have the opportunity to be involved in local decision-making?

	Count	Column N %
Yes	185	53%
No	80	23%
No opinion	83	24%
Total	348	100%

Q43 Which of the following do you feel represents your views within the community?

	Count	Table Total N %
Brixton Parish Council	214	61%
Brixton Community Association	29	8%
St Mary's School	24	7%
St Mary's Church	38	11%
South Hams District Council	83	24%
Devon County Council	25	7%
Other	13	4%

Q44 Do you know what your Parish Council does?

	Count	Column N %
Yes	248	77%
No	76	23%
Total	324	100%

Q45 Do you think the level of service provided by our Parish Council is:

	Count	Column N %
Good	75	22%
Reasonable	163	47%
Poor	19	5%
Don't know	52	15%
No opinion	39	11%
Total	348	100%

Q46 Do you feel members of Brixton Parish Council are sufficiently aware of local concerns and feelings?

	Count	Column N %
Yes	194	66%
No	100	34%
Total	294	100%

Q47 The Parish Council raised money through the Council Tax. Are you satisfied with the way this money is spent?

	Count	Column N %
Totally satisfied	25	7%
Quite satisfied	153	44%
Dissatisfied	21	6%
Don't know how it is spent	106	30%
No opinion	43	12%
Total	348	100%

Q48 Do you think Brixton Parish Council should prioritise?

	Count	Table Total N %
Promoting community safety	142	41%
Supporting sustainable transport	113	32%
Protecting the environment	182	52%
Enhancing the local economy	158	45%
Plans for quality buildings and developments	85	24%
Other	15	4%

Q49 How well does the Parish Council publicise its decisions and activities?

	Count	Column N %
Very well	75	22%
Reasonably well	165	47%
Not very well	50	14%
No opinion	58	17%
Total	348	100%

Q50 What do you think the Parish Council needs to do to be more inclusive?

	Count	Table Total N %
Improve communication	135	39%
Provide informal meetings to meet Parish Councillors	105	30%
Invite local people to join time-limited working groups	69	20%
Raise profile of council	87	25%
Other	18	5%

Q51 Which of the following would be effective in keeping you informed of local community news/events and services?

	Count	Table Total N %
General word of mouth	28	8%
Brixton Magazine	271	78%
Brixton Parish Council meetings	58	17%
Community noticeboards	145	42%
Village website	141	41%
E-mail	63	18%
Other	6	2%

Q52 Does the Parish need more community noticeboards?

	Count	Column N %
Yes	155	45%
No	97	28%
No opinion	96	28%
Total	348	100%

Q52 If Yes, where should they be located?

	Count	Table Total N %
Entrance Kitley View	42	12%
By Venn Estate	77	22%
At Carroll Island	30	9%
Other	43	12%

Q53 Would you like the facilities of the school grounds to be made available to the local community outside of school hours?

	Count	Column N %
Yes	191	68%
No	91	32%
Total	282	100%

Q54 If Yes, would you be prepared to pay to use them?

	Count	Column N %
Yes	140	74%
No	49	26%
Total	189	100%

Q55 Do you think there should be open spaces in the Parish for local people?

	Count	Column N %
Yes	237	68%
No	17	5%
No opinion	94	27%
Total	348	100%

Q56 Does the Parish need a public playing field for outdoor sports?

	Count	Column N %
Yes	230	66%
No	35	10%
No opinion	83	24%
Total	348	100%

Q57 Could St. Mary's Church building be used more widely for community use?

	Count	Column N %
Yes	140	57%
No	106	43%
Total	246	100%

**Q58a Have you had to call the
emergency services within the
last 12 months?**

	Count	Column N %
Yes	56	17%
No	269	83%
Total	325	100%

**Q58b If Yes, how would you rate the
response time?**

	Count	Column N %
Good	40	71%
Reasonable	14	25%
Poor	2	4%
Total	56	100%

**Q59 Do you have problems collecting medicine on
prescription?**

	Count	Column N %
Yes	23	7%
No	265	82%
Don't collect medicine on prescription	36	11%
Total	324	100%

Q60 Do you shop in the Parish?

	Count	Column N %
Daily	75	23%
Weekly	152	47%
Monthly	31	10%
Less frequently	54	17%
Never	9	3%
Total	321	100%

**Q61 What are your views on the quality
of shopping facilities in the Parish?**

	Count	Column N %
Good	93	27%
Reasonable	185	53%
Poor	37	11%
No opinion	33	9%
Total	348	100%

Q62 If you usually shop in the Parish, is it because:

	Count	Table Total N %
You need a local Post Office	217	62%
You like to support local shops	205	59%
You like the social contact	78	22%
It saves time	92	26%
It saves transport costs	114	33%
You don't have transport to go further	17	5%
You need "last minute" items	177	51%
Other	6	2%

Q63 If you usually shop out of the Parish, is it because?

	Count	Table Total N %
Goods are cheaper there	192	55%
You have more choice there	238	68%
It is convenient to your place of work	59	17%
Other	8	2%

**Q64 Do you need help getting to
the local shops?**

	Count	Column N %
Yes	15	5%
No	309	95%
Total	324	100%

**Q65 Do you use the mobile services
which come to the village?**

	Count	Table Total N %
Butcher	15	4%
Bank	6	2%
Library	3	1%
Shop	13	4%
Other	5	1%

**Q68 Does Brixton Village need
more housing?**

	Count	Column N %
Yes	122	41%
No	179	59%
Total	301	100%

Q69 If Yes, why?

	Count	Table Total N %
Affordable housing	99	28%
Sheltered accommodation	16	5%
To support local services	66	19%
To support the school	73	21%

**Q70 Is your present accommodation
suitable for your needs?**

	Count	Column N %
Yes	308	95%
No	16	5%
Total	324	100%

**Q71 Are you currently looking for alternative
accommodation separate from other
members of your present household?**

	Count	Column N %
Yes	16	5%
No	302	95%
Total	318	100%

Q72 If Yes, where do you want to move to?

	Count	Table Total N %
Another dwelling in Brixton Village	10	3%
Elsewhere in the Parish	3	1%
Outside Parish	5	1%

**Q73 If you are over 55, do you
require sheltered housing?**

	Count	Column N %
Yes	5	2%
No	196	98%
Total	201	100%

**Q74 Do you require a low-cost
starter home?**

	Count	Column N %
Yes	20	8%
No	241	92%
Total	261	100%

**Q75 If you are unable to move to accommodation of the type you
need is this because of; ?**

	Count	Table Total N %
Price	20	6%
Lack of suitable houses to buy	17	5%
Lack of local authority housing	10	3%
Lack of other rented accommodation	9	3%
Other	9	3%

Q76 Are parking facilities in the Parish:

	Count	Column N %
Good	9	3%
Reasonable	119	34%
Poor	171	49%
No opinion	49	14%
Total	348	100%

Q77 Does the Parish need a car park?

	Count	Column N %
Yes	185	53%
No	71	20%
No opinion	92	26%
Total	348	100%

Q79 Which of the following parking controls would you like to see introduced at strategic points in the Parish?

	Count	Table Total N %
Double yellow lines	66	19%
Allocated residents parking	75	22%
Parking bays	76	22%
Bollards	24	7%
"No waiting" signs	36	10%
No opinion	102	29%