

Stretton Grandison Group
Neighbourhood Development Plan

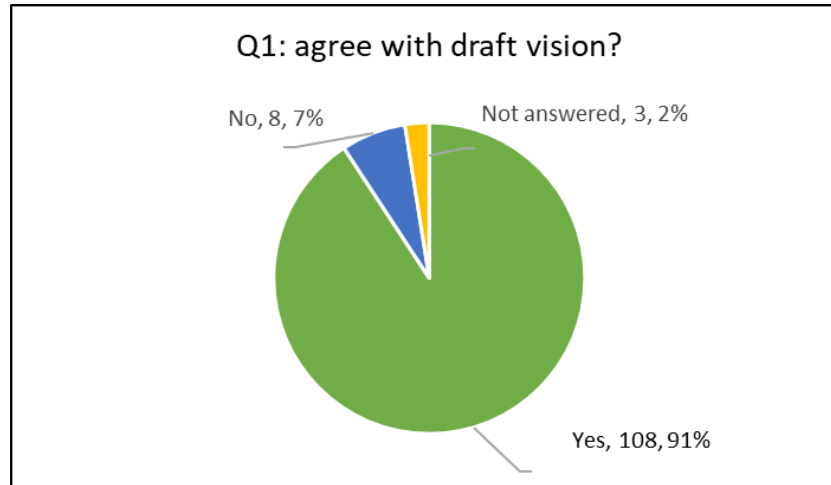
Residents' questionnaire survey
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Residents' survey Feb 2017

- Questionnaires hand delivered
- 119 forms collected – 31.6% of 16 and over
- Older people and females over-represented, and 24% of respondents from one postcode (HR8 2TD)
- 26 open and multiple choice questions about 14 policy options: for the vision/objectives, housing, environment, economy, flooding and other issues
- Focus tonight on answers to the multiple choice questions

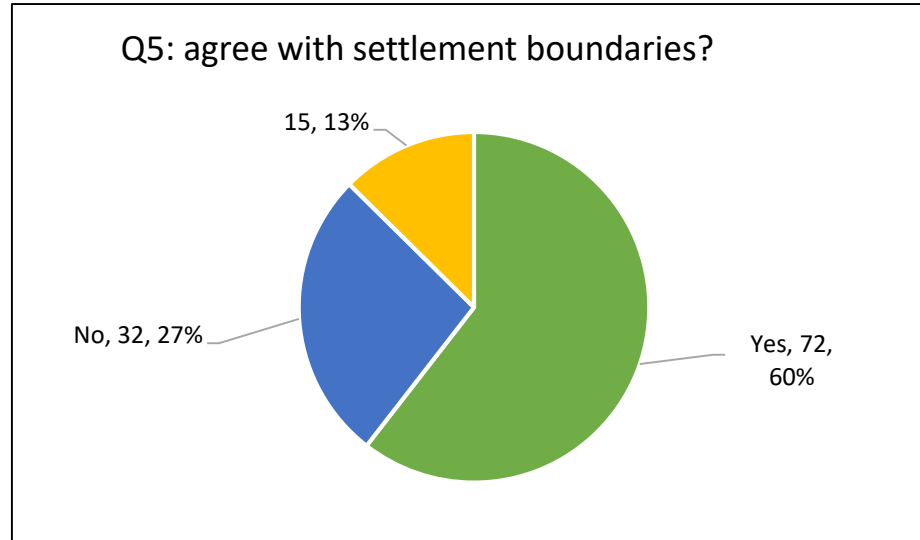
Vision and objectives



Agree with the objectives?

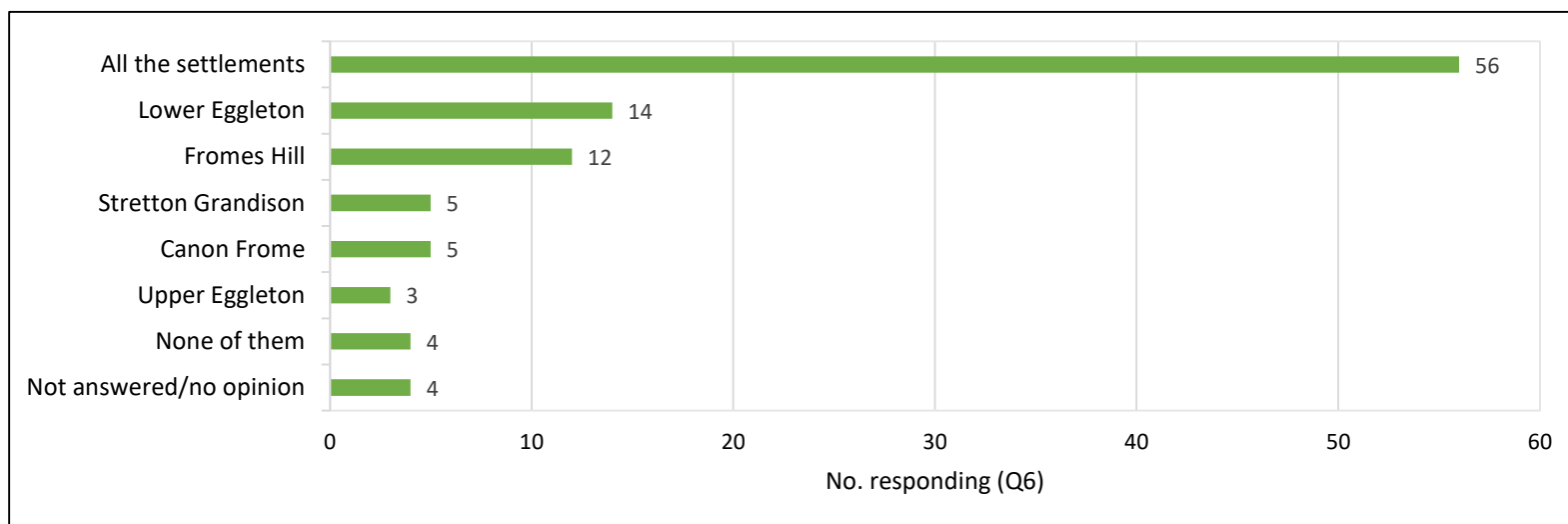
- Housing 92%
- Environment 95%
- Economy 90%

Policy option 1: settlement boundaries



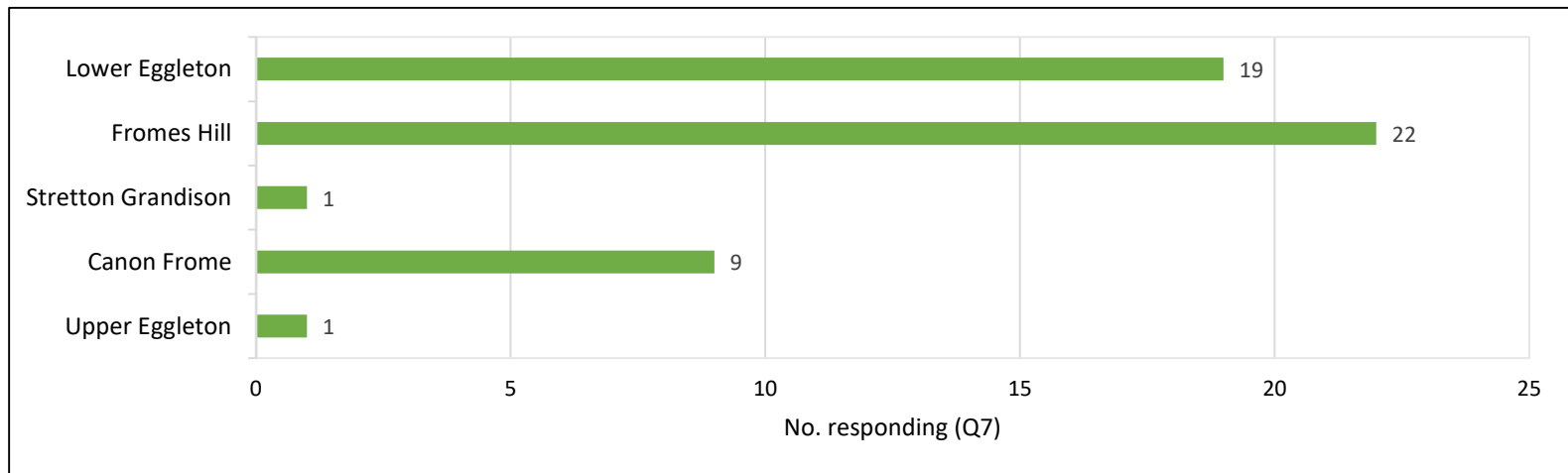
- Majority support for the draft boundaries
- Notable number of comments and suggestions – for further review

Policy option 2: site allocations in all or only some of the villages?



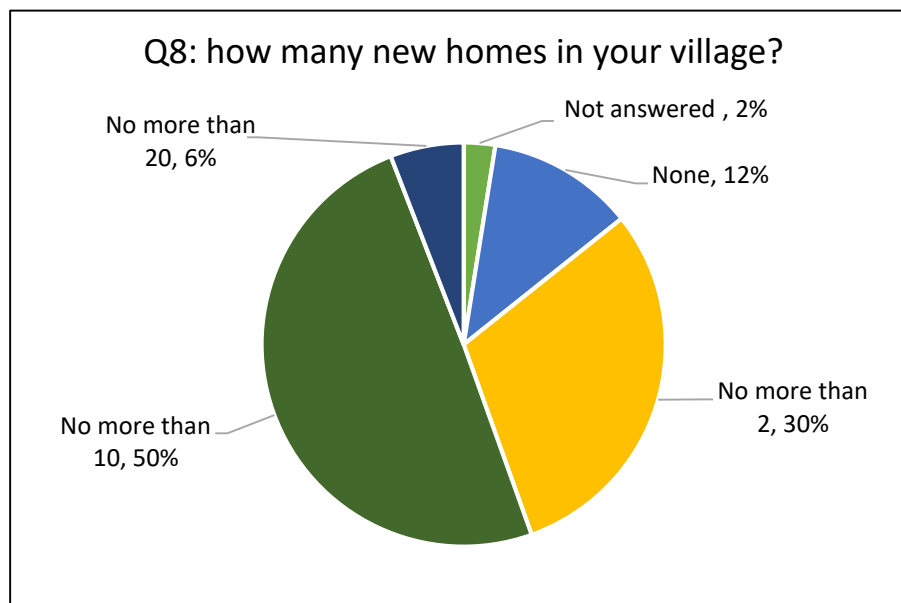
- 47% supported seeking sites in all villages
- Lower Eggleton and Fromes Hill – main focus villages
- Less interest in the lower-tier LPCS settlements

Policy option 2: first choice of settlement for development



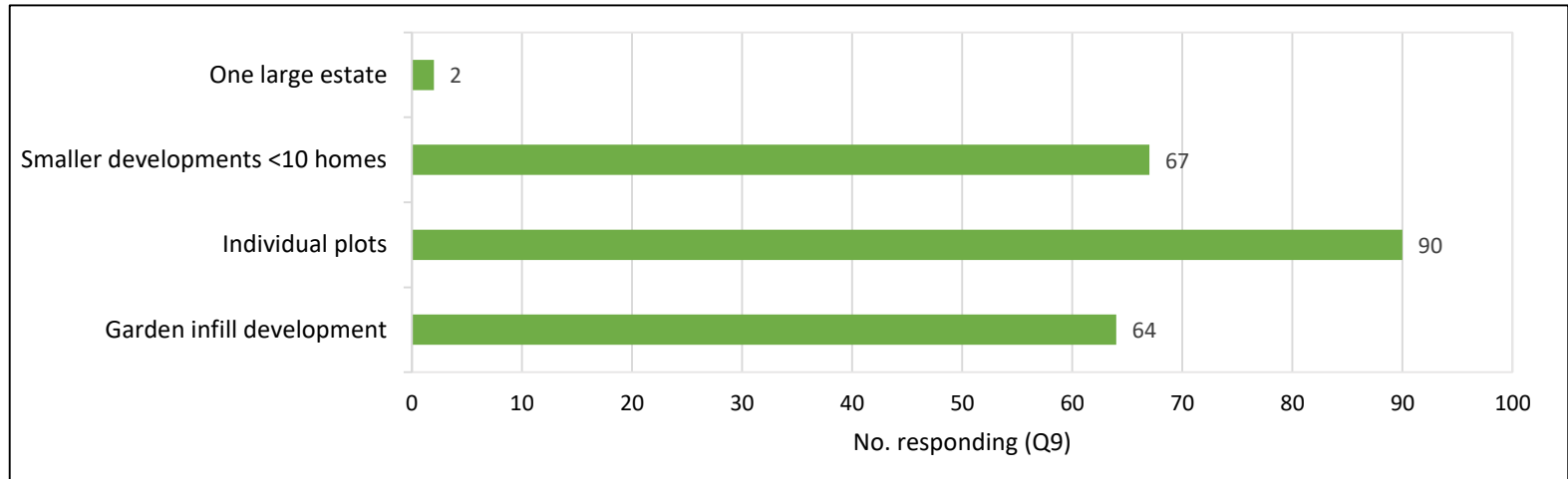
- Significant non-response (51%)
- Lower Eggleton and Fromes Hill favoured for their main road location
- Other villages felt to already have enough/too many houses

Policy option 3: Housing numbers



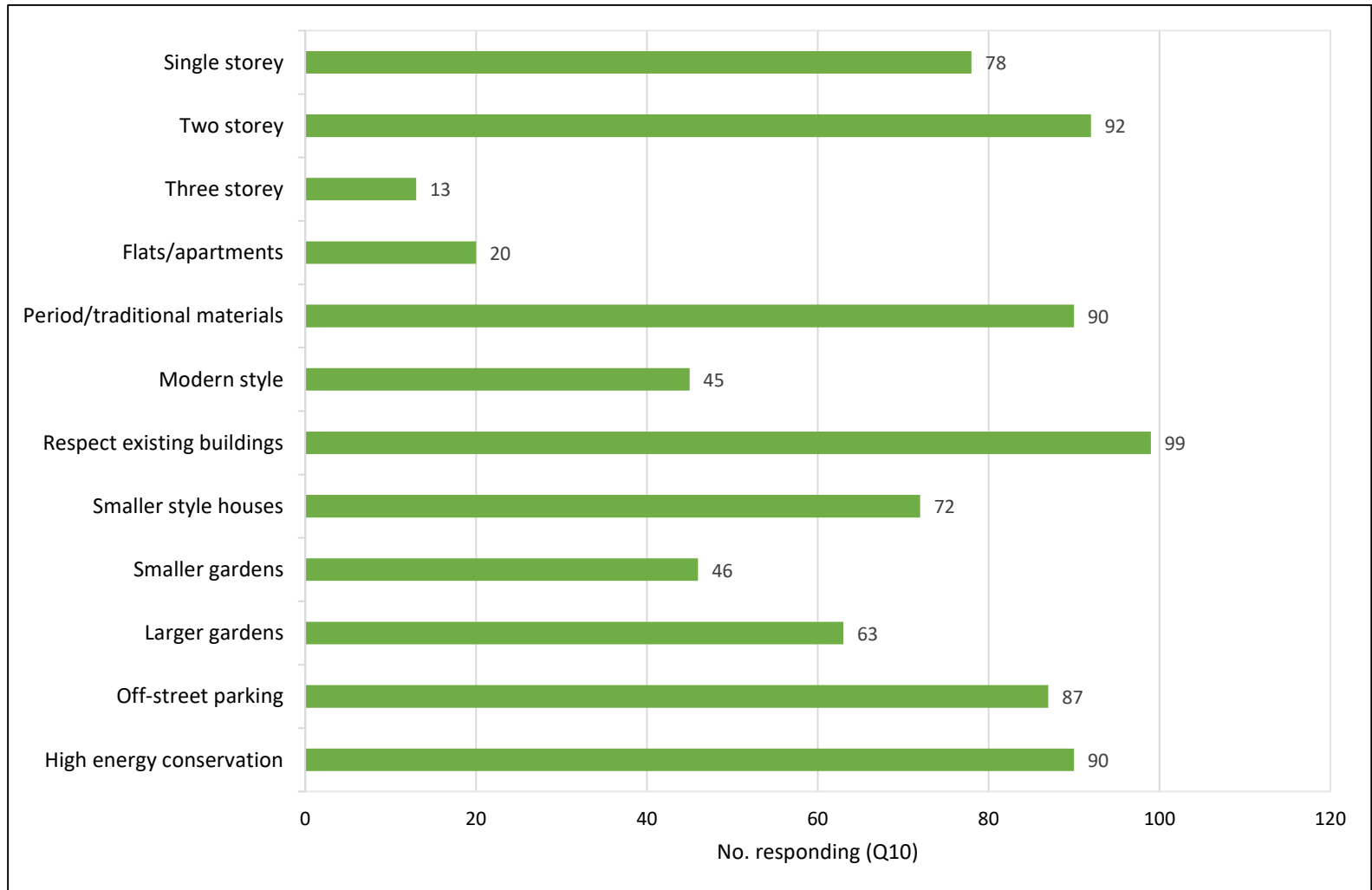
- Support for up to 10 houses in total in villages
- Less for up to 20 homes– highest ‘no’ score at 50%

Policy option 4: size of each housing development

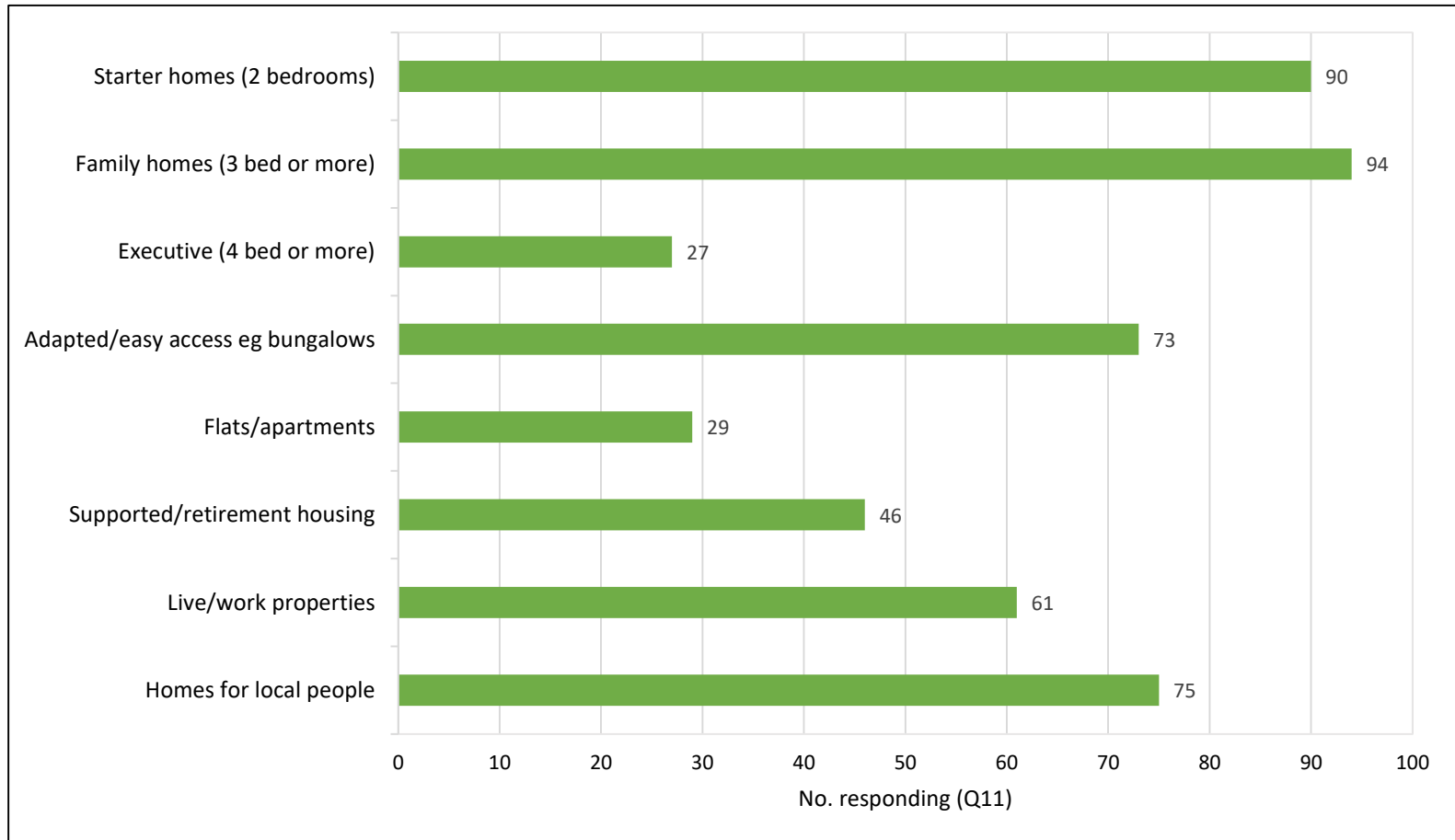


- Little support for one large estate – 72% opposed
- Individual dwellings most favoured - only 7% against
- Smaller schemes: for 56%, against 24%

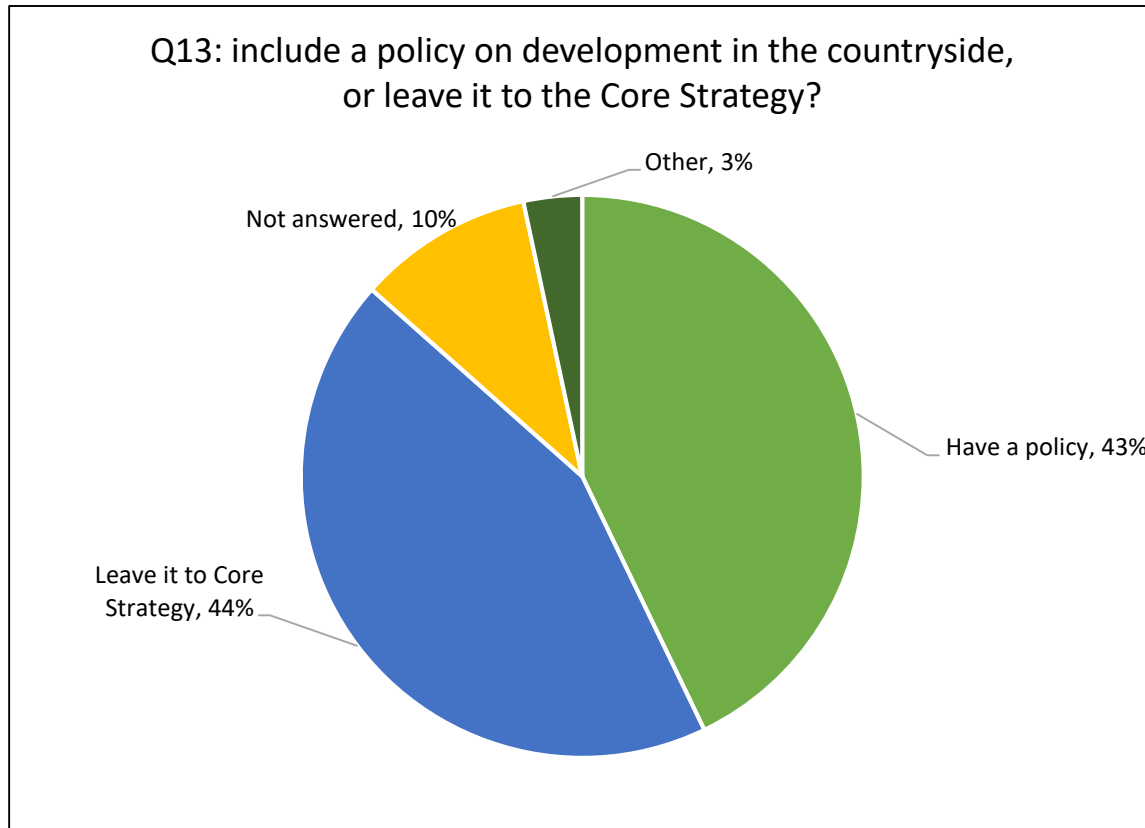
Policy option 4: style of housing



Policy option 4: size/type of new homes



Policy option 5: Housing in wider countryside



Policy option 6: landscape features

Q14: protecting the environment

- Most important, to 76%: protect the natural environment
- Followed by protecting views and vistas (62%)
- Least important: conserving historic buildings and features (59% saw this as most important)

Q15: dark skies

- Important to 71%

Q16: important landscape features

- General and specific

Policy option 7: Local Green Spaces

Q17: areas for protection as LGS

- Homend Park (by 54% of respondents): historic value, recreational value, biodiversity, visual amenity
- Other areas: e.g. Canon Frome Court, Stretton Grandison church and environs, Hfds and Glos. canal

Policy option 8: built heritage

Q18: distinctive local built features

- Specific buildings: Canon Frome Court and Church, Church Farm, Stretton Grandison church and neighbouring houses
- Building types: hop kilns, converted barns, rural look and feel
- Materials: brick, stone, timber, slate, thatch.

Policy option 9: re-use of redundant farm buildings

Q19: policy criteria to guide re-use?

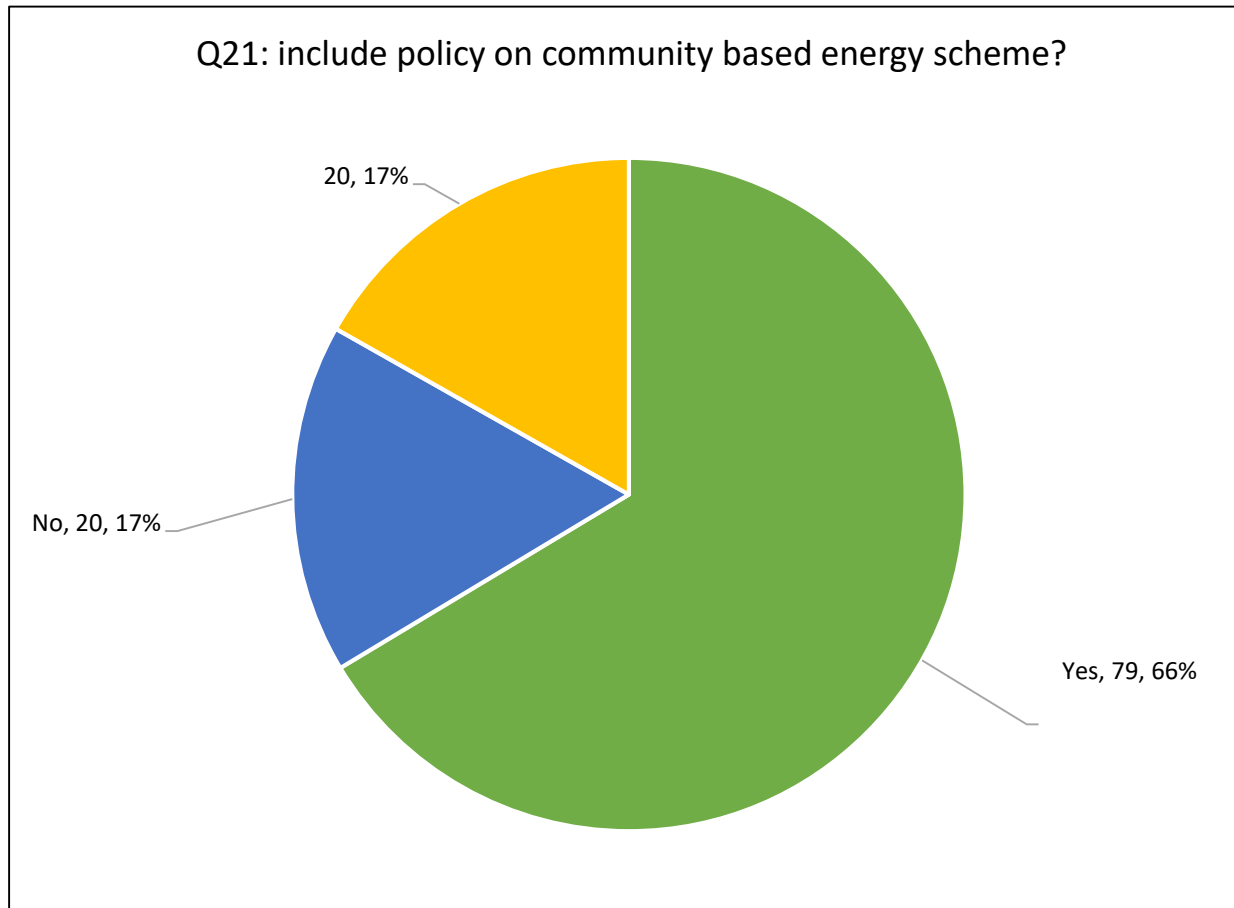
- Preferred uses: small-scale offices/business units, workshops, live/work units and others, including housing.
- Planning criteria:
 - safe access and visibility, traffic and parking
 - avoid adverse impacts on amenity
 - refurbishment in scale and keeping.

Policy option 10: new farm buildings

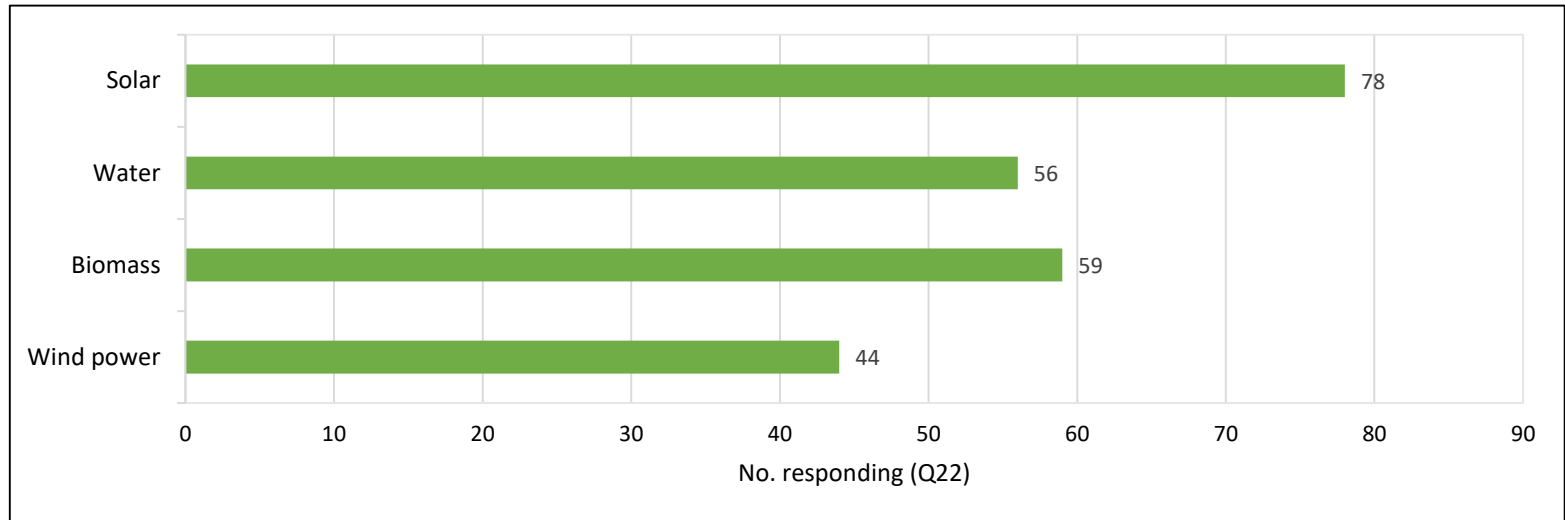
Q20: policy criteria to guide new agricultural developments?

- safe access and visibility, traffic and parking
- careful siting, height limits, materials and colour
- avoid adverse impacts on amenity through noise, lighting and odour
- environmentally aware and energy efficient

Policy option 11: community energy schemes

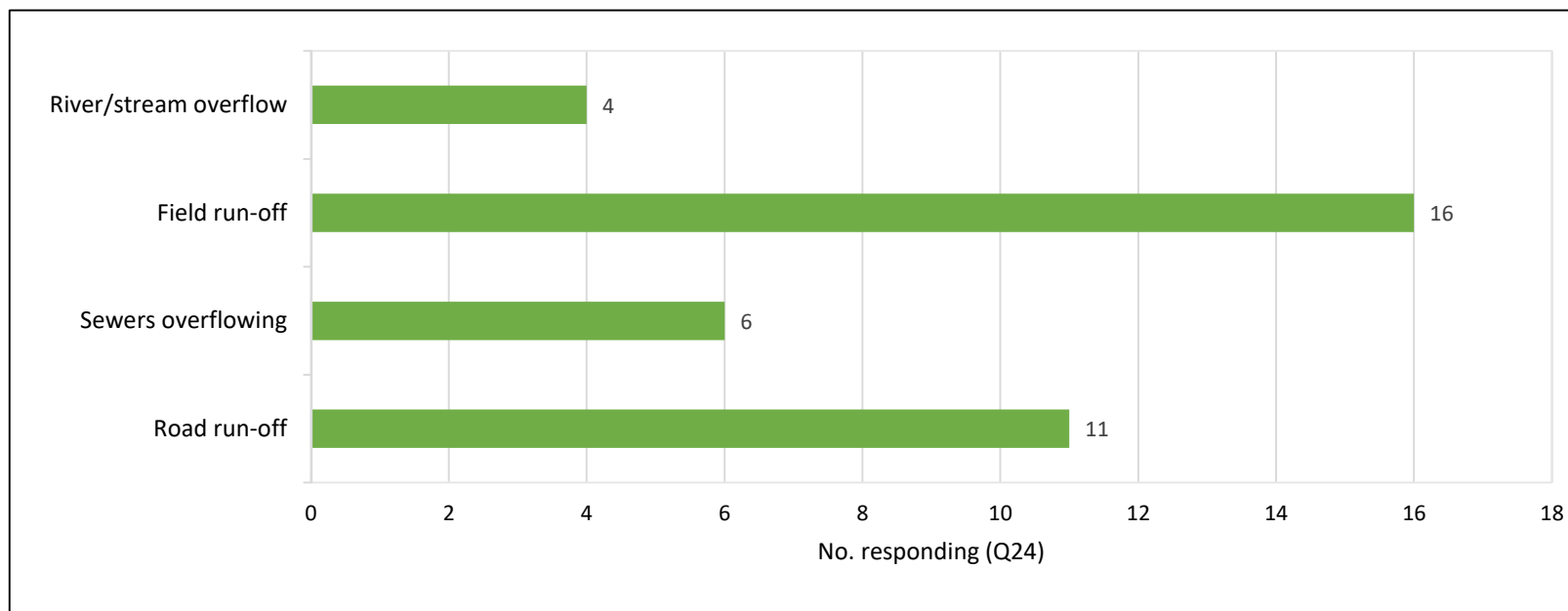


Policy option 11: type of energy scheme

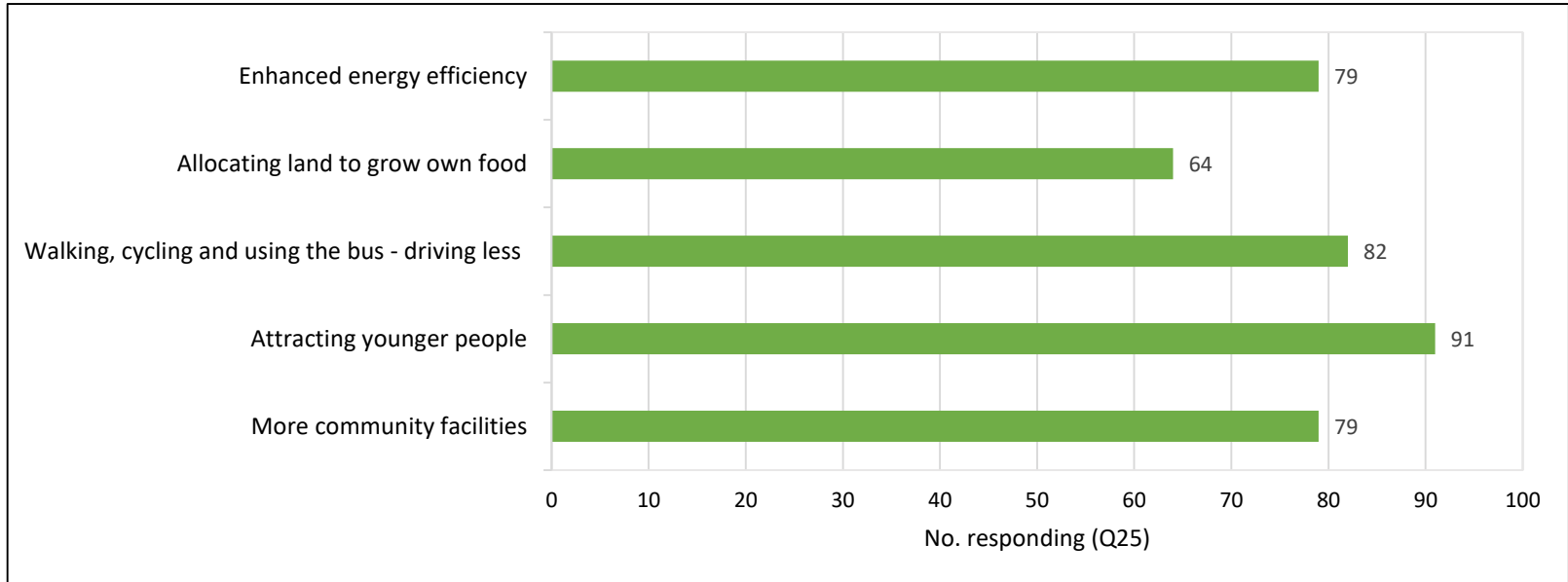


- Solar power most favoured, by 66%
- Least favoured, by 37%: wind power – with 38% opposed

Policy option 12: flooding



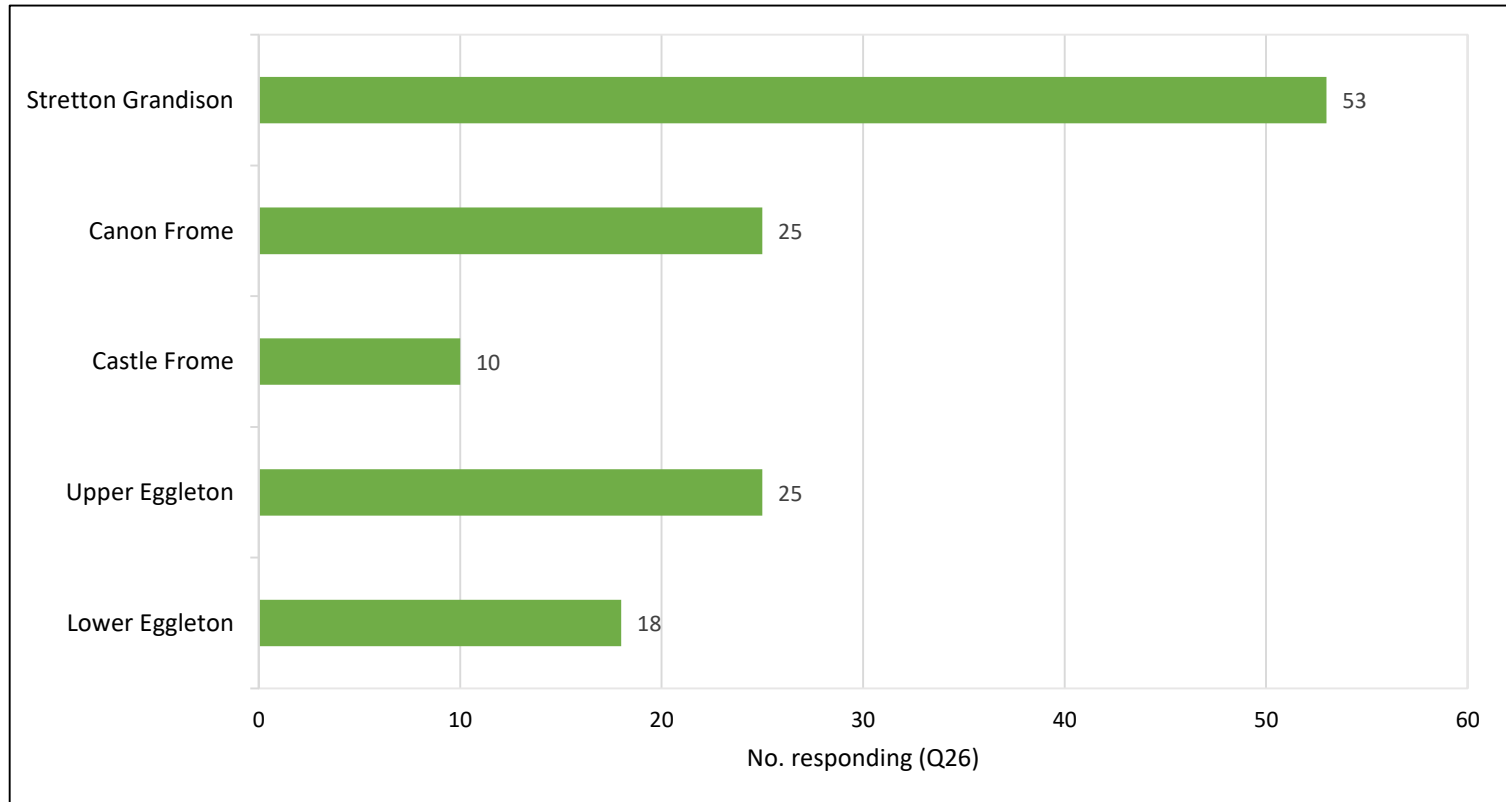
Policy option 13: Sustainable community



- Priority issue, for 76% - attracting younger people
- Many further comments to this question – for further review.

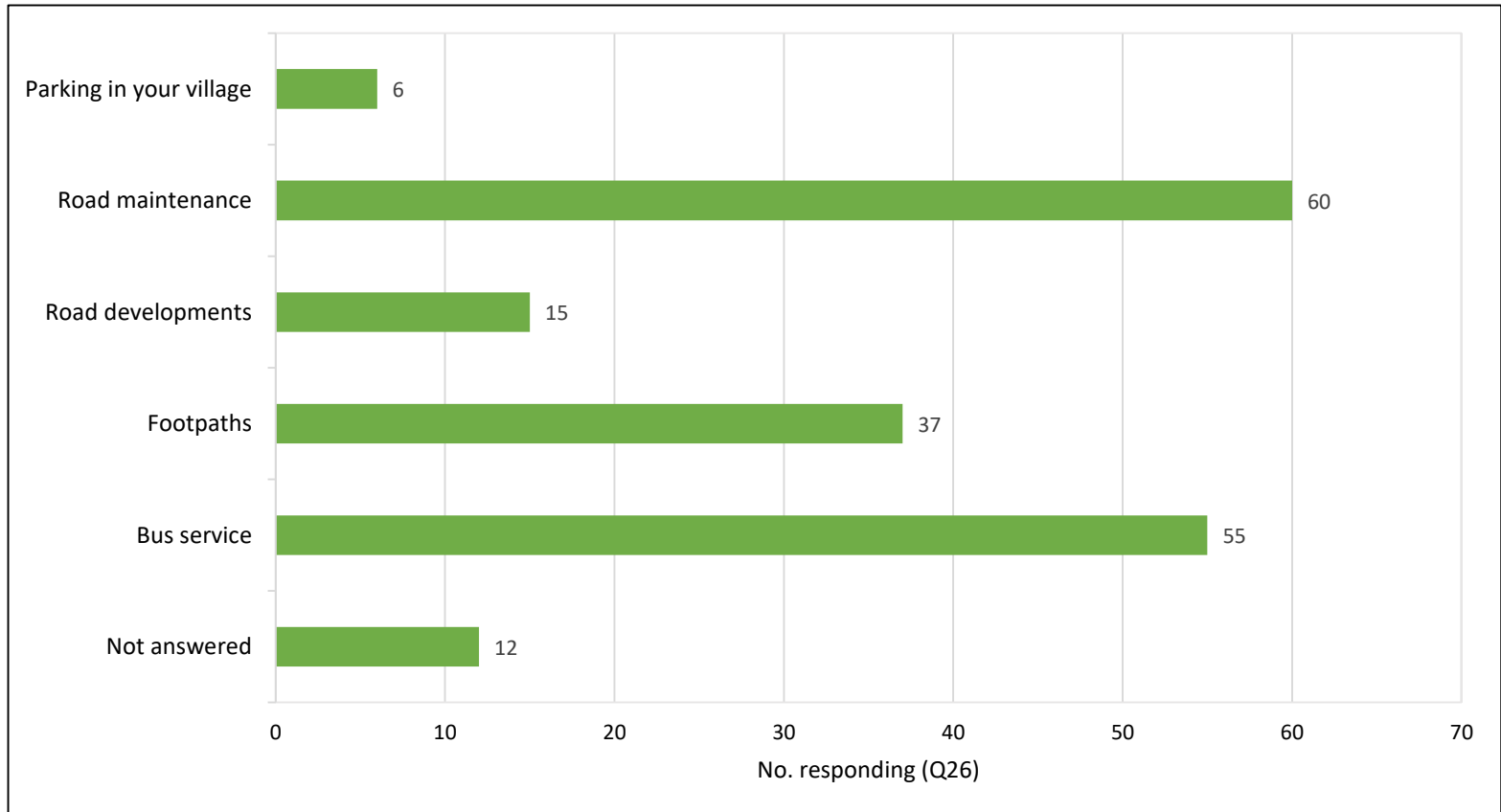
Policy option 14: Traffic, transport and access

Speed and volume of vehicles



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Other transport issues



Messages for the NDP

- Support for the Vision and objectives
- Review settlement boundaries in light of comments made
- Mixed messages on scope of a Call for Sites – all settlements, or just Fromes Hill and Lower Eggleton
- Useful feedback on the size and type of housing schemes
- Develop environment policies to reflect responses and comments made
- Review comments on LGS at Homend Park against NPPF criteria
- Good feedback on criteria for re-use of rural buildings, and for new agricultural buildings at Homend Park
- Reflect responses to Q25 – sustainable community - in policies for housing and employment, as far as possible