



Awbridge Neighbourhood Development Plan

Housing Needs Survey

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1. INTRODUCTION

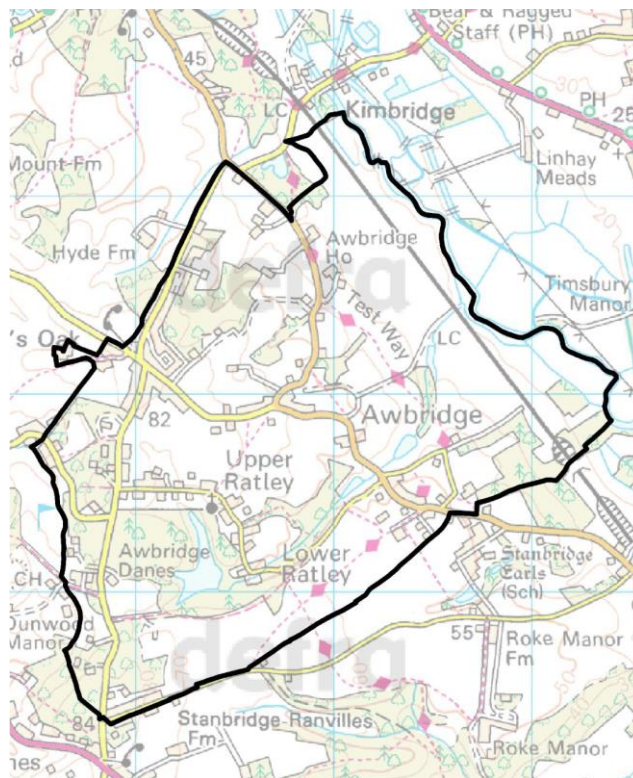
The Parish Council of Awbridge is preparing a Neighbourhood Development Plan, setting out its own local planning policies. This will come into force provided that the Plan passes an independent examination and is approved through a local referendum.

The Awbridge Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan Group requested that a Housing Needs Survey be carried out by Action Hampshire to identify the housing needs of local people over the next 15 years, as part of the preparation of the Neighbourhood Plan.

A questionnaire was sent to all of the homes in Awbridge Parish which is defined on the map below. The questionnaire used and the accompanying introductory letter are provided in Appendix 1.

This report provides an independent assessment of the findings from the survey which was undertaken during June and July 2021. This report details the 141 responses received in response to the questionnaire.

Map of Awbridge Parish



2. SURVEY PURPOSE AND APPROACH

A postal questionnaire was distributed to 324 homes, all of the homes within Awbridge Parish, to arrive the week commencing 14th June. The questionnaire was accompanied by an explanatory letter and a pre-paid envelope (Appendix 1). An option to complete the survey online was also provided through a link to Survey Monkey.

Members of the Parish Council and Test Valley Borough Council were closely involved in planning the housing needs survey. The Parish Council were also involved in raising awareness about the survey through posters, an article in the parish newsletter and through their Facebook page.

The questionnaire was for completion by all households in order to gain their views on housing in the Parish, as well as understand their current and future housing needs. The last part of the questionnaire was for households to complete if a member of their existing household was in need of a new home, or a member of their close family needed to move to/return to Awbridge.

The questionnaire was split into three sections as follows:

- Section 1 - Your current home (Questions 1-8) to provide an analysis of the respondent's current accommodation, and their attitudes towards future development in the Parish.
- Section 2 - Your future requirements (Questions 9-19) to obtain information on respondents' future housing needs and to identify the scale of demand to move both within Awbridge and to other areas.
- Section 3 - The requirements of other members of your household or close family members (Questions 20-33) to identify the demand for housing from family members living within the existing household and close family members who wish to return/move to Awbridge.

The deadline for the return of the completed questionnaires was 9th July 2021. 141 questionnaires were returned, 126 paper responses and 15 online. This equates to a response rate of 43.5% which is a very good response rate for this type of survey.

Four further surveys were returned blank, in two cases advising that the address relates to an unoccupied annex.

The questionnaire made it clear that no names would be included in the report and that data would only be seen in summary or generalised statistical form. Furthermore, the data would only be used for the purposes for which it was collected, to produce a report for the Parish Council for the purposes of the Neighbourhood Plan.

3. SUMMARY OF AWBRIDGE HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY RESPONSES

The responses to the questions have been presented in table form. In some cases respondents were able to select more than one option (as specified in the questionnaire) and where this was the case this has been identified. The percentages given are as a percentage of the number of respondents to that particular question and the number of respondents is provided for each question.

Section1: Your Current Home (including attitudes to future development in the Parish) (Questions 1-8)

Question 1. Is your present home?

Table 1 - Present home	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Owner occupied	128	90.8%
Private rented	5	3.6%
Housing association (rented)	7	5.0%
Shared ownership (part rent/part buy)	0	0.0%
Shared equity (part buy/no rent)	0	0.0%
Rent free	0	0.0%
Tied to employment	0	0.0%
Other (please specify)	1	0.7%
TOTAL	141	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		141
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		0

90.8% of the responses received were from Awbridge residents who are home owners. A smaller number of responses came from those renting properties with a private landlord (3.6%) and those renting from a housing association (5.0%). The 'Other' response received was Council.

At the time of the 2011 census 79.9% of households in Awbridge were owner occupied, 10.4% were private rented, 7.2% were social/affordable rented and 0.4% were shared ownership.

(www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/localarea)

Question 2. Is your present accommodation?

Table 2 - Present accommodation	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
A detached house	91	64.5%
A semi-detached house	30	21.3%
A terraced house	3	2.1%
A bungalow	15	10.6%
A flat/apartment	1	0.7%
Other (please specify)	1	0.7%
TOTAL	141	100%

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION	141
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION	0

Most respondents (64.5%), live in detached housing. 21.3% live in semi-detached housing and 10.6% live in bungalows. Only a small proportion of those completing the survey live in flats or terraced housing. The 'other' response relates to an annexe.

Question 3. How many bedrooms does your present home have?

Table 3 - Bedrooms	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
1 bedroom	3	2.1%
2 bedrooms	11	7.8%
3 bedrooms	45	31.9%
4 bedrooms	52	36.9%
5 bedrooms or more	30	21.3%
TOTAL	141	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		141
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		0

58.2% of respondents live in a property with 4 bedrooms or more and 31.9% live in a property with three bedrooms. Fewer households responding to the survey live in smaller accommodation, 2.1% live in 1 bedroom property and 7.8% live in two bedroom property.

At the time of the 2011 census there were on average 3.5 bedrooms per household in Awbridge.

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Question 4. How long have you lived in the Parish?

Table 4 – Years in parish	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
0-2 years	14	10.0%
3-5 years	17	12.1%
6-10 years	16	11.4%
11-20 years	30	21.4%
21-30 years	24	17.1%
30+ years	39	27.9%
TOTAL	140	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		140
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		1

66.4% of respondents have lived in the Parish for over 10 years, with 27.9% having lived in the Parish for more than 30 years. 22.1% of respondents have lived in the Parish for 5 years or less.

Question 5. How many people of each age group and gender currently live in your home?

Table 5 - Gender and Age		Number	Percentage
Male	0-15	22	13.8%
Male	16-24	14	8.8%
Male	25-34	8	5.0%
Male	35-44	6	3.8%
Male	45-54	28	17.6%
Male	55-64	39	24.5%
Male	65-74	26	16.4%
Male	75-84	11	6.9%
Male	85+	5	3.1%
Male total		159	100%
Female	0-15	17	9.6%
Female	16-24	20	11.2%
Female	25-34	12	6.7%
Female	35-44	14	7.9%
Female	45-54	26	14.6%
Female	55-64	35	19.7%
Female	65-74	26	14.6%
Female	75-84	19	10.7%
Female	85+	9	5.1%
Female total		178	100%
Combined Ages			
	0-15	39	11.6%
	16-24	34	10.1%
	25-34	20	5.9%
	35-44	20	5.9%
	45-54	54	16.0%
	55-64	74	22.0%
	65-74	52	15.4%
	75-84	30	8.9%
	85+	14	4.2%
TOTAL		337	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION			140
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION			1

59.9% of respondent households are of working age between 16 and 64 years. 28.5% of respondent household members are aged 65 years or over and 11.6% are aged 15 years or under.

The largest age group is 55-64 years (22.0%) and the smallest age group is 85+ (4.2%), followed by 25 to 34 years (5.9%) and 35 to 44 years (5.9%).

Question 6. What type of additional housing, if any, do you think is needed in the Parish?

Table 6 – Types of new homes needed	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Affordable housing to rent or part buy	52	38.5%
Housing for first time buyers	64	47.4%
Housing for families	45	33.3%
Housing for older people, for example to downsize	39	28.9%
None	42	31.1%
Other (please specify)	8	5.9%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		135
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		6

For this question respondents were able to select more than one answer. Housing for first time buyers was the most popular choice, chosen by 47.4% of respondents. Affordable housing was the second most popular choice, chosen by 38.5% of respondents, followed by housing for families chosen by 33.3% of respondents. 31.1% of respondents felt that no new housing was needed in Awbridge. Of those ticking 'other' this included requirements for bungalows, gardens and parking, eco-friendly homes, and a mix of housing types. Also included here are comments advising that the respondent was unable to answer, or that no further housing is required.

Question 7. Subject to the outcome of the housing evidence, how many homes do you think should be built in the Parish each year?

Table 7 - Scale of development respondents support	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
0-5 homes	87	68.0%
6-10 homes	20	15.6%
11-15 homes	9	7.0%
16-20 homes	8	6.3%
21-30 homes	1	0.8%
Over 30 homes	3	2.3%
TOTAL	128	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		128
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		13

68.0% of respondents felt that 0-5 homes per year should be built within the Parish and 15.6% of respondents felt that 6-10 homes per year was an acceptable rate of development. Few respondents were supportive of larger annual development levels.

As part of this question respondents were also able to make comments to explain their answer. Details of the topics covered by these comments are set out below. Further details of the comments made, anonymised and summarised where required are set out in Appendix 2.

A number of respondents did not answer the question but did go on to provide a comment.

The table below shows the number of comments made on each topic. Many respondents covered more than one topic in their comments. 55 respondents made a comment

	Topic	Number of respondents
Need for housing	Young families are important for the future of the village	3
	Need sufficient homes to meet the needs of local people	1
	Affordable housing would allow a wider range of people to live in the village	1
	Need a mix of homes/wider mix of homes/more homes	7
	Need smaller/affordable homes	5
Nature of any development proposed	Awbridge is a large village appropriate for managed expansion	1
	Need to the retain character of village/concern regarding impact to character	11
	Should be a maximum number of new homes/growth should be controlled	2
	Too many large houses already/large houses built recently	8
	Homes should only be built if there is a suitable site/homes should be built on brownfield sites/concern re back garden development	3
	Need eco-friendly homes	1
	Development should be kept to a minimum	1
	Village should grow organically/new homes should be incorporated into the village	3
Impact of development	Need to consider impact to existing residents	6
	Concern regarding impact of development to traffic/concern regarding existing traffic levels	6
	Lack of infrastructure to support more homes/concern regarding impact to infrastructure	10
	Impact to wildlife/woodland/concern regarding loss of green space	3
Homes not required/development should be built elsewhere	There are already lots of new homes/overdevelopment of the area	11
	Village should not expand/not suitable for expansion	9
	Homes should be built in suburban areas	1

	There is already a good range of homes/sufficient homes available	2
Other comments	Unable to answer/don't know	5
	Number of homes suggested (by respondent) appropriate for the size of the parish	3
	Concern regarding the development of other types of home that are not needed in the parish	1
	Need for proper consultation with residents	1
	Affordable housing should be genuinely affordable	1

Question 8. Is your current household planning to move within the next 15 years?

Table 8 - Current and future requirements for housing	Number of households	Percentage of respondents
Survey respondent planning to move	38	27.0%
Survey respondent not planning to move but has a household member(s) planning to move	16	11.4%
Survey respondent not planning to move but has a close family member(s) wanting to move to/return to Awbridge (e.g. a family member who has had to move out of the parish and would like to move back)	5	3.6%
Neither the respondent, a member of their household or a close family member are planning to move now or in the future	82	58.2%
TOTAL	141	100%

Only one answer could be chosen at this stage of the survey. A variation of this question was also asked at the end of Section 2 of the survey (Question 19) so that the needs of respondents with more than one household needing to move could be captured.

27.0% of respondent households (38) are planning to move

11.4% of respondent households (18) are not planning to move but have a household member(s) looking to move.

3.6% of respondent households (5) are not planning to move but have a close family member who would like to move to/return to Awbridge.

In addition (in response to Question 19) 5 households who are planning to move, also have a household member or close family member who is planning to move to separate accommodation.

There are therefore 38 respondent households planning to move (Section 2 of the survey) and a total of 26 household members/close family members planning to move (Section 3 of the survey).

In order to progress through the survey, where no answer was provided to this question (or the respondent advised that they were not sure/unable to answer) and Sections 2 and/or 3 of the

survey were not completed, respondents have been counted as not planning on moving. There are however likely to be additional members of the community who may move in the future but have not been captured in this survey.

Section 2: Your Future Requirements (Questions 9-19)

A total of 38 respondents completed this section stating that their household is planning to move home.

Question 9. When are you planning to move?

Table 9 - Planning to move	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Within the next 5 years	16	44.4%
6-10 years	10	27.8%
11 years or more	10	27.8%
TOTAL	36	100
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		36
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		2

44.4% of respondents answering this question are planning to move within the next 5 years.

Question 10. What are your reasons for seeking alternative accommodation?

Table 10 - Reasons	Number of survey respondents	Percentage of respondents
Need smaller home	18	58.1%
Want to start first home	0	0.0%
Need larger home	2	6.5%
Divorce/separation	0	0.0%
Retiring	11	35.5%
Financial reasons	3	9.7%
home poorly adapted for disability needs	0	0.0%
Currently renting would like to buy	2	6.5%
Seeking a place suitable for home working	0	0.0%
Existing accommodation in poor state of repair	0	0.0%
Energy bills/bills too high	3	9.7%
For access to shops and services	14	45.2%
For access to job opportunities	0	0.0%
For access to good transport links	11	35.5%
Current tenure insecure	0	0.0%
To be near work	1	3.2%
To be near family/dependant/carer	3	9.7%
Family reasons	2	6.5%
Other	10	32.3%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		31
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		7

Respondents were able to provide more than one answer to this question. The most frequent response, chosen by 58.1% of respondents, was 'need smaller home'. Other popular responses were 'retiring' (35.5%), 'for access to shops and services' (45.2%) and 'for access to good transport links' (35.5%). Of the 10 respondents choosing 'other', responses included, more space/larger garden, age, and building an eco-home, as well as reasons specific to their property.

Question 11. Where would you prefer to live? (Please chose one)

Table 11 - Locations	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Within Awbridge	7	18.4%
Within the immediately adjacent parishes (e.g. Michelmersh, Romsey)	8	21.1%
Within Test Valley	13	34.2%
Outside Test Valley	10	26.3%
TOTAL	38	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		38
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		0

All 38 respondents answered this question.

18.4% of respondent households wish to remain living in Awbridge parish. The majority of respondent households (55.3%) are looking to move either within the adjacent parishes or the wider Test Valley Borough. 26.3% are planning to move outside of Test Valley.

One respondent chose more than one option, Awbridge and within the immediately adjacent parishes. For the purposes of the above table this has been included within the count for Awbridge.

A summary of the 7 households wishing to move within Awbridge Parish is set out on page 16.

Question 12. What type of accommodation would you prefer?

Table 12 - Accommodation type	Number of survey respondents	Percentage of survey respondents
Flat	1	2.7%
Bungalow	10	27.0%
Detached house	26	70.3%
Semi-detached house	5	13.5%
Terraced or town house	6	16.2%
Self build	4	10.8%
Retirement housing	3	8.1%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		37
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		1

Respondents were able to choose more than one answer to this question. Detached houses were the most popular type of accommodation, chosen by 70.3% of respondents answering this

question. Bungalows were also a popular option, chosen by 27.0% of respondents. Flats were the least favourite (2.7%), followed by retirement housing (8.1%).

Question 13. What tenure of accommodation are you looking for?

Table 13 - Tenure	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Owner occupation	33	89.2%
Private rent	3	8.1%
Affordable rent	3	8.1%
Affordable forms of home ownership e.g. Shared ownership/Shared equity	1	2.7%
Other (please specify)	0	0.0%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		37
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		1

Respondents were able to provide more than one answer to this question. Owner occupation was chosen as the most popular tenure with 89.2% of respondent households choosing this option as their only option. 4 respondent households were interested in either private rent, affordable rent or affordable forms of homeownership.

Question 14. How many bedrooms would the new accommodation need to have?

Table 14 – Number of bedrooms	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
1 bedroom	0	0.0%
2 bedrooms	10	27.0%
3 bedrooms	18	48.7%
4 bedrooms	8	21.6%
5 bedrooms or more	1	2.7%
	37	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		37
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		1

Three bedroom accommodation was the most popular choice, chosen by 48.7% of respondents, followed by 2 bedroom (27.0%) and 4 bedroom (21.6%).

Question 15. If you are looking to move into rented accommodation, what price range are you targeting?

Table 15 - Price range for rented accommodation	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Up to £600 per month	1	25.0%
£601 - £800 per month	1	25.0%
£801 - £1,000 per month	1	25.0%
£1,001 - £1,500 per month	1	25.0%
£1,501 - £2000 per month	0	0.0%
Over £2000 per month	0	0.0%

	4	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION	4	
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION	0	

4 of the 38 respondents were interested in affordable rent or private rent. The table illustrates the range of price levels those interested in renting were prepared to pay.

Question 16. If interested in buying, what price range are you targeting?

Table 16 - Price range for owner occupied accommodation	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
£75,000 - £125,000	0	0.0%
£126,00 - £175,000	0	0.0%
£176,000 - £250,000	0	0.0%
£251,000 - £350,000	6	18.8%
£351,000 - £500,000	6	18.8%
£501,000 - £750,000	6	18.8%
£751,000 -£1million	9	28.1%
Over £1 million	5	15.6%
TOTAL RESPONSES	32	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION	32	
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION	2	

34 respondents were interested in purchasing a home. 32 respondents answered this question.

62.5% of respondents (20) are targeting properties between £501,000 and over £1 million, with 15.6% of respondents (5) targeting above £1 million.

18.8% of respondents (6) are targeting lower price ranges of £251,000-£350,000 and a further 18.8% of respondents (6) are targeting between £351,000 and £500,000.

Question 17. What factors may prevent you from moving?

Table 17 – Factors affecting moving	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Lack of suitable properties in the area	24	63.2%
Unable to afford accommodation with sufficient bedrooms to meet needs	6	15.8%
Lack of properties available with the number of bedrooms required	9	23.7%
Location of employment	2	5.3%
Lack of properties with tenure required e.g. affordable rent, private rent, to buy	3	7.9%
Health problems	9	23.7%
Affordability	9	23.7%
Other (please specify)	2	5.3%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION	38	
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION	0	

Respondents were able to provide more than one answer in response to this question.

63.2% of respondents (24) felt the area that they planned to move to had a lack of supply of suitable properties to move into.

Other frequent responses included, the area having a lack of properties available with the number of bedrooms required, as well as issues around affordability (including the ability to afford a home with sufficient bedrooms) and health concerns.

Few respondents mentioned the lack of choice regarding the tenure of properties available, however this may reflect the fact that most people completing Section 2 are looking for owner occupation properties.

2 respondents selected 'other', this included land availability and being happy in the area in which they live.

Question 18. Are you registered on any housing waiting lists?

Table 18 – Affordable housing register	Number of respondents
Local Authority Register (Affordable Rent) Hampshire Home Choice	1
Help to Buy South (Shared ownership, other forms of affordable home ownership)	1
No	36
TOTAL	37
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION	37
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION	1

Respondents were able to provide more than one answer. Only 1 household is registered with both Test Valley Borough Council for affordable rented housing and Help to Buy South for shared ownership and other forms of affordable home ownership.

Question 19. Do any other members of your household/close family members require alternative, separate accommodation?

Table 19 – Household members/close family requiring separate accommodation	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Yes	5	13.2%
No	33	86.8%
TOTAL	38	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION	38	
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION	0	

5 households who are planning to move also advised that other members of their household/close family required alternative accommodation and were directed to complete Section 3 of the questionnaire.

In combination with Question 8 above, a total of 26 respondents advised that they had a household member who was looking to move or a close family member who wished to move to/return to Awbridge.

SUMMARY OF RESPONDENTS WANTING TO MOVE BUT STAY WITHIN AWBRIDGE PARISH (SECTION 2)

7 of the 38 respondents who completed Section 2 of the survey stated that they were looking to move but wanted to stay within Awbridge Parish (Section 2 Q11). It should be noted that one of these respondents also wished to consider a move to one of the immediately adjacent parishes.

Q9 When are you planning to move?	3 of the 7 respondents want to move within the next 5 years and 3 are planning to move in 11 years or more. 1 respondent did not answer this question																										
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	Health problems	2
	Location of employment	0
	Lack of properties with tenure required e.g. affordable rent, private rent etc.	2
	Other	1
	Respondents were able to choose more than one option. The main reason given was lack of suitable properties in the area. The 'other response' related to the availability of land.	
Q18 Are you registered on any housing waiting list?	One respondent was registered on both the Local Authority register and with Help to Buy.	

Section 3 - The future requirements of other members of your household/close family members (Q20-33)

This section was completed by respondents who either a. have a household member(s) currently living with them who is looking to move to separate accommodation or b. have a close family member(s) living elsewhere who is looking to move to/return to Awbridge. Where respondents had more than one household member/close family member in need of accommodation an option was provided to request an additional copy of this part of the survey.

24 respondents answered some or all of the questions in Section 3. It is noted that two respondents advised that accommodation was required for a member of their household/close family but did not go on to complete this part of the survey.

Three respondents noted that their answers in Section 3 relate to more than one family member in need of housing, but did not request an additional Section 3 of the survey.

24 responses have been received from 24 households, but there are likely to be an additional 5 households looking to move that have not been fully captured through this survey.

Two further responses were provided for family members who do not currently live in Awbridge and do not wish to return to/move to Awbridge. These responses have not been included within the analysis as they do not meet the criteria for this part of the survey.

Question 20. What is their relationship to you?

Table 20 Type of family members	Number of Respondents	Percentage of respondents
Son	7	29.2%
Daughter	15	62.5%
Parent	0	0.0%
Grandparent	0	0.0%
Brother	0	0.0%
Sister	0	0.0%
Other	2	8.3%
TOTAL	24	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		24
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		0

All of the household members/close family members looking to move were sons or daughters needing a new home. The 'other' responses relate to respondents advising that their son and daughter would be in need of a new home.

Question 21. What is their connection to Awbridge?

Table 21 Connection to Awbridge	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Currently live in Awbridge	21	87.5%
Previously lived in Awbridge	3	12.5%
Have close family members currently living in Awbridge	5	20.8%
Currently work in Awbridge	0	0.0%

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION	24
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION	0

Respondents were able to choose more than one option. 87.5% of respondents advised that the household member/close family member currently lives in Awbridge.

Question 22. When are they planning to move?

Table 22 – Family member planning to move	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Within the next 5 years	18	78.3%
6 - 10 years	4	17.4%
11 years or more	1	4.4%
TOTAL	23	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		24
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		0

78.3% of respondent's household members/close family members are planning to move within the next 5 years.

Question 23. Where would they prefer to live? (choose one)

Table 23 - Locations	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Within Awbridge	10	41.7%
Within the immediately adjacent parishes (e.g. Michelmersh, Romsey)	1	4.2%
Within Test Valley	2	8.3%
Outside Test Valley	11	45.8%
TOTAL	24	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		24
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		0

41.7% of respondent's household members/close family members (10) wish to move to/remain within Awbridge.

45.8% of respondent's household members/close family members wish to move outside of Test Valley and a small number wish to move to the adjacent parishes or within Test Valley.

One respondent chose more than one answer including Awbridge, the adjacent parishes and within Test Valley. For the purposes of the above table this has been counted as Awbridge.

A summary of the 10 household/close family members wishing to move within Awbridge Parish is provided on page 26.

Question 24. What are their reasons for seeking alternative accommodation?

Table 24 - Reasons	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Need smaller home	1	4.2%

Need larger home	0	0.0%
Want to start first home	15	62.5%
Current tenure insecure	0	0.0%
Divorce/separation	1	4.2%
To be near work	4	16.7%
Retiring	0	0.0%
To be near family/dependent/carer	4	16.7%
Financial reasons	0	0.0%
Home poorly adapted for disability needs	0	0.0%
Currently renting would like to buy	0	0.0%
Existing accommodation in poor state of repair	0	0.0%
For access to shops and services	1	4.2%
For access to job opportunities	3	12.5%
Seeking a place suitable for home working	0	0.0%
Family reasons	4	16.7%
Energy bills/bills too high	0	0.0%
For access to good transport links	1	4.2%
Other (please specify)	5	20.8%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		24
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		0

Respondents were able to provide more than one answer to this question.

62.5% of respondents completing Section 3 on behalf of household/close family members gave their reasons for seeking alternative accommodation as wanting to start a first home. To be near work, family/dependent/carer and family reasons were each chosen by 16.7% of respondents. Access to job opportunities was also chosen by 12.5% of respondents.

The 'other' responses include moving for education, wanting to move to a home with a garden and parking. One respondent advised that they were unsure of their household/family member's reasons for seeking alternative accommodation.

Question 25. What type of accommodation would they prefer?

Table 25 - Accommodation type	Frequency	Percentage
Flat	10	43.5%
Bungalow	1	4.4%
Detached house	6	26.1%
Semi-detached house	10	43.5%
Terraced or town house	7	30.4%
Self build	3	13.0%
Retirement housing	0	0.0%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		23
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		1

Respondents were able to provide more than one answer to this question.

Flats and semi-detached housing were the most popular choices, both chosen by 43.5% of respondents. Other popular choices included terraced or town house and detached house.

Question 26. What tenure of accommodation are they looking for?

Table 26 - Tenure	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Owner occupation	17	73.9%
Private rent	4	17.4%
Affordable rent	5	21.7%
Affordable forms of home ownership e.g. Shared ownership/shared equity	3	13.0%
Other (please specify)	0	0.0%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		23
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		1

Respondents were able to provide more than one answer to this question.

Of the 23 respondents answering this question on behalf of household/close family members, most (17) chose owner occupation as all or part of their response. 4 were interested in private renting as all or part of their response, 5 in affordable rented properties as all or part of their response and 3 in options for affordable forms of homeownership as all or part of their response.

Question 27. How many bedrooms do they require?

Table 27 – Bedroom size	Number	Percentage of respondents
1 bedroom	4	17.4%
2 bedrooms	14	60.9%
3 bedrooms	4	17.4%
4 bedrooms	1	4.4%
5 bedrooms or more	0	0.0%
TOTAL RESPONSES	23	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION		23
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION		1

Two bedroom accommodation was the most popular choice, chosen by 60.9% of respondents, followed by 1 bedroom and 3 bedroom accommodation each chosen by 17.4% of respondents.

Question 28. What factors may prevent them from moving?

Table 28 – Factors preventing them from moving	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Lack of suitable properties in the area	13	59.1%
Unable to afford accommodation with sufficient bedrooms to meet needs	14	63.6%
Lack of properties available with the number of bedrooms required	3	13.6%
Location of employment	4	18.2%

Lack of properties with tenure required e.g. affordable rent, private rent, to buy	7	31.8%
Health problems	0	0.0%
Affordability	17	77.3%
Other (please specify)	2	9.1%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION	22	
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION	2	

Respondents were able to choose more than one option in response to this question.

77.3% felt that affordability was the biggest issue affecting their household member(s)/family member(s) decision to move, followed by being unable to afford accommodation with sufficient bedrooms to meet their needs (63.6%). This was followed by lack of suitable properties in the area (59.1%) and lack of properties with tenure required (31.8%). Other factors preventing moving include location of employment (18.2%) and a lack of available suitable properties with the number of bedrooms required (13.6%).

The 2 'other' responses relate to Covid19 and planning restrictions.

Question 29. If they are looking to move into rented accommodation, what price range are they targeting?

Table 29 - Price range for rented accommodation	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Up to £600 per month	1	12.5%
£601 - £800 per month	6	75.0%
£801 - £1,000 per month	1	12.5%
£1,001 - £1,500 per month	0	0.0%
£1,501 - £2000 per month	0	0.0%
TOTAL RESPONSES	8	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION	8	
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION	0	

8 of the respondent's household members/close family were interested in renting (either private or affordable rent), the majority (6) were targeting between £601 and £800 per month.

Question 30. If they are interested in buying, what price range are they targeting?

Table 30 - Price range for those wanting to buy a home	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
£75,000 - £125,000	0	0.00%
£126,000 - £175,000	4	25.0%
£176,000 - £250,000	4	25.0%
£251,000 - £350,000	6	37.5%
£351,000 - £500,000	2	12.5%
£501,000 - £750,000	0	0.00%
£751,000 - £1 million	0	0.00%
Over £1 million	0	0.00%
TOTAL RESPONSES	16	100%

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION	16
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION	2

Of the 18 respondent's household members/close family members interested in buying, 16 have been represented in response to this question. A number of different price options were chosen.

The most popular price range was £251,000-350,000, chosen by 37.5% of respondents. 25.0% chose £126,000-£175,000 and a further 25.0% chose £176,000 -£250,000.

87.5% of those answering this question were looking for a home that was less than £350,000.

Question 31. How many people of each age group and gender would live in the new home?

Table 31 - Gender and Age		Number	Percentage
Male	0-15	1	6.7%
Male	16-24	5	33.3%
Male	25-34	6	40.0%
Male	35-44	3	20.0%
Male	45-54	0	0.0%
Male	55-64	0	0.0%
Male	65-74	0	0.0%
Male	75-84	0	0.0%
Male	85+	0	0.0%
Male total		15	100%
Female	0-15	4	17.4%
Female	16-24	6	26.1%
Female	25-34	9	39.1%
Female	35-44	4	17.4%
Female	45-54	0	0.0%
Female	55-64	0	0.0%
Female	65-74	0	0.0%
Female	75-84	0	0.0%
Female	85+	0	0.0%
Female total		23	100%
Combined Ages			
	0-15	5	13.2%
	16-24	11	28.9%
	25-34	15	39.5%
	35-44	7	18.4%
	45-54	0	0.0%
	55-64	0	0.0%
	65-74	0	0.0%
	75-84	0	0.0%
	85+	0	0.0%
TOTAL		38	100%

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION	21
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION	3

21 respondents answered this question on behalf of household members/close family members and 38 individuals have been identified within the households needing to move. All of these are aged 44 years or under and 68.5% are between 16 and 34 years.

This is likely to be reflective of this part of the survey which seeks to capture information about those within an existing Awbridge household who are looking to move (as well as close family members looking to move/return to Awbridge).

87.5% of Section 3 respondent households already live in Awbridge.

Question 32. Are they registered on any housing waiting lists?

Table 32 – numbers on survey registered on a waiting list	Number of respondents
Hampshire Home Choice (Local Authority Register for Affordable Rent)	1
Help to Buy South (shared ownership, other forms of affordable home ownership)	1
No	23
TOTAL	24
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION	24
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION	0

1 respondent is registered with Hampshire Home Choice and Help to Buy South.

Section 4 of this report provides a summary of households in need of housing and stating a local connection to Awbridge Parish on Test Valley Borough Council's housing register, Hampshire Home Choice.

Question 33. Do any other members of your household require alternative, separate accommodation?

Table 33 – other members requiring accommodation	Number of respondents	Percentage of respondents
Yes	1	4.2%
No	23	95.8%
	24	100%
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS ANSWERING THIS QUESTION	24	
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS SKIPPING THIS QUESTION	0	

1 respondent selected yes, but no further questionnaires were requested.

SUMMARY OF HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS/CLOSE FAMILY MEMBERS WANTING TO MOVE BUT STAY WITHIN AWBRIDGE PARISH (SECTION 3)

10 respondents completed Section 3, Question 23 stating they have a household member/close family member planning to move and wanting to stay within/move to Awbridge Parish. It should be noted that 1 respondent noted that their household member/close family member was also considering a move outside of Awbridge.

2 respondents advised that more than one member of their household/close family were in need of separate accommodation within Awbridge but did not request a further survey. There are therefore likely to be 2 additional households looking for housing in Awbridge that have not been fully captured in this survey.

Q20 What is their relationship to you?	Son			3	30.0%
	Daughter			6	60.0%
	Other			1	10.0%
	The 10 respondent household members/close family members were all sons or daughters of those completing Part 1 of the survey. The other response relates to a respondent advising that both their son and daughter would be in need of a home.				
Q21 What is their connection to Awbridge?					
	Currently live in Awbridge	7	70.0%		
	Previously lived in Awbridge	2	20.0%		
	Have close family members currently living in Awbridge	4	40.0%		
	Currently work in Awbridge	0	0.0%		
Respondents were able to provide more than one answer to this question. 70% currently live in Awbridge					
Q22 When are they planning to move?	Within the next 5 years		7	77.8%	
	6 - 10 years		2	22.2%	
	11 years or more		0	0.0%	
	9 of the 10 respondents answered this question. The most frequent response was within the next 5 years.				
Q23 Where would they prefer to live	This summary details the 10 respondents with household members/close family members looking to move within/to Awbridge.				
Q24 What are their reasons for seeking alternative accommodation?	The reasons given for seeking a move are shown in the table below.				
	Reasons		No	%	
	Need smaller home		1	10.00%	
	Want to start first home		6	60.00%	
	Divorce/separation		1	10.00%	
	To be near family/dependent/carer		4	40.00%	
	Family reasons		4	40.00%	
	Other (please specify)		2	20.00%	
	Respondents were able to provide more than one answer. All 10 respondents answered this question.				

	Of the 10 household members/close family members, the main reasons for seeking a move within the parish are linked to wanting to start a first home and to be near family/for family reasons.		
Q25 What type of accommodation would they prefer?	Flat	2	20.0%
	Bungalow	1	10.0%
	Detached house	5	50.0%
	Semi-detached house	7	70.0%
	Terraced or town house	5	50.0%
	Self-build	2	20.0%
	Retirement housing	0	0.0%
	Respondents were able to choose more than one option. All 10 respondents answered this question. Semi-detached house was the most popular option.		
Q26 What tenure of accommodation are they looking for?	Respondents could choose more than 1 option on behalf of their household member/close family member. Of the 10 responses: 8 were interested in home ownership 3 were interested in affordable rented housing 2 were interested in affordable forms of homeownership		
Q27 How many bedrooms do they require?	1 bedroom	1	10.0%
	2 bedrooms	6	60.0%
	3 bedrooms	2	20.0%
	4 bedrooms	1	10.0%
	5 bedrooms or more	0	0.0%
	All 10 respondents answered this question. 2 bedroom accommodation was the most popular choice.		
Q28 What factors may prevent them from moving?	Lack of suitable properties in the area	8	80.0%
	Unable to afford accommodation with sufficient bedrooms to meet needs	7	70.0%
	Lack of properties available with the number of bedrooms required	3	30.0%
	Location of employment	0	0.0%
	Lack of properties with tenure required e.g. affordable rent, private rent, to buy	3	30.0%
	Health problems	0	0.0%
	Affordability	8	80.0%
	Other (please specify)	1	10.0%
	Respondents were able to provide more than one answer. All 10 respondents answered this question. The main reasons given included a lack of suitable properties in the area, affordability and being unable to afford accommodation with sufficient bedrooms to meet needs.		
Q29 If they are looking to move into rented accommodation what price range are they targeting?	3 of the 10 respondent's household/close family members were interested in renting an affordable property in the Parish. 1 was prepared to pay up to £600 per month for rent 2 were prepared to pay up to £800 per month for rent		

	<p>Information taken from Home.co.uk on 03.08.21 shows the average market rent levels in the postcode area SO51 which includes Awbridge:</p> <p>1 bed £750 pcm 2 bed £949 pcm 3 bed £1217 pcm</p> <p>A typical 2 bedroom private rented property in the area would cost in the region of £949 per month and would be above the affordability levels of all 3 respondents.</p> <p>Only a 1 bedroom private rented property with a cost of £750 per month would be within affordability levels of any of the respondents looking to rent within the Parish.</p> <p>The rent levels targeted are closer to the rent levels charged for affordable housing.</p> <p>Given the local area housing allowance for this area (Awbridge Parish falls within the broad market rental area of Southampton) the likely maximum “affordable rents” for a newly built property in the Parish would be in the region of £594 per month for a one bed property, £773 for a two bed property, £922 for a three bed property and £1197 for a four bed property. (https://lha-direct.voa.gov.uk/search.aspx)</p> <p>Test Valley Borough Council has provided information (set out in Section 4 below) showing a need for affordable rented housing from 6 households stating a local connection to Awbridge.</p>																								
Q30 If they are interested in buying what price range are they targeting?	<p>9 of the 10 respondent’s household/close family members were interested in buying. 8 respondents answered this question.</p> <table><tr><td>£75,000-£125,000</td><td>0</td><td>0.0%</td></tr><tr><td>£126,000 -£175,000</td><td>2</td><td>22.2%</td></tr><tr><td>£176,000-£250,000</td><td>3</td><td>33.3%</td></tr><tr><td>£251,000-£350,000</td><td>2</td><td>22.2%</td></tr><tr><td>£351,000-£500,000</td><td>1</td><td>11.1%</td></tr><tr><td>£501,000-£750,000</td><td>0</td><td>0.0%</td></tr><tr><td>£751,000-£1million</td><td>0</td><td>0.0%</td></tr><tr><td>Over 1 million</td><td>0</td><td>0.0%</td></tr></table> <p>5 were prepared to pay less than £250,000 with 2 of these prepared to pay less than £175,000. 2 were prepared to pay between £251,000 and £350,000 and 1 was prepared to pay between £351,000 and £500,000.</p> <p>A map search of sold properties in Awbridge (www.rightmove.co.uk (03/08/21)) shows 10 properties were sold within the Parish in the last year. Prices range from £240,000 to £3,000,000. 9 of the 10 properties sold for between £240,000 and £1,050,000. 6 of the 10 properties sold</p>	£75,000-£125,000	0	0.0%	£126,000 -£175,000	2	22.2%	£176,000-£250,000	3	33.3%	£251,000-£350,000	2	22.2%	£351,000-£500,000	1	11.1%	£501,000-£750,000	0	0.0%	£751,000-£1million	0	0.0%	Over 1 million	0	0.0%
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Q31 How many people of each age and gender would live in the new home?	<p>9 respondents answered this question and 17 individuals were identified within the households/future households needing to move. All 17 individuals were aged 44 years or less.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>0-15 years = 5 (29.4%)</td><td>16-24 years = 1 (5.9%)</td></tr> <tr> <td>25-34 years = 4 (23.5%)</td><td>35-44 years = 7 (41.2%)</td></tr> </table> <p>The largest group is represented is aged 35-44 years.</p>	0-15 years = 5 (29.4%)	16-24 years = 1 (5.9%)	25-34 years = 4 (23.5%)	35-44 years = 7 (41.2%)
0-15 years = 5 (29.4%)	16-24 years = 1 (5.9%)				
25-34 years = 4 (23.5%)	35-44 years = 7 (41.2%)				
Q32 Are they registered on any housing waiting lists?	<p>This question asked if anyone was registered with Test Valley Borough Council for affordable rented housing or with Help to Buy South for shared ownership or other forms of affordable home ownership.</p> <p>Only 1 of the 10 respondents stated that the household member/close family member was registered on a waiting list.</p> <p>Test Valley Borough Council has provided information (set out in Section 4 below) showing a need for affordable rented housing from 6 households stating a local connection to Awbridge.</p> <p>The majority of these households have not been identified within this survey.</p>				

4. AFFORDABLE HOUSING REGISTER INFORMATION

As of 5th August 2021 there were 6 households registered stating a local connection to Awbridge

Housing Need in Awbridge by Age Group and Assessed Bedroom Need

	18-50 years	50-75 years	75+ years
1 Bedroom	1	1	2
2 Bedroom	0	0	0
3 Bedroom	1	0	0
4+ Bedroom	0	1	0
Total	2	2	2

Housing Need in Awbridge by current Tenure Type

Existing Social Housing Tenant	3
Private Rented	3
Total	6

5. KEY FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The postal questionnaire was sent to 324 homes, all of the households within Awbridge Parish. 141 surveys were returned which equates to a response rate of 43.5%

Section 1 Your current home and attitudes to future development in the Parish (Questions 1-8)

- The majority of survey respondents are owner occupiers (90.8%). The majority of respondents live in detached homes (64.5%) and have four or more bedrooms (58.2%).
- 66.4% of respondents have lived in the parish for over 10 years with 27.9% having lived in the parish for over 30 years.
- 59.9% of respondent households are of working age between 16 and 64 years, 28.5% are aged 65 years or over and 11.6% are aged 15 years or under.
- The majority of respondents felt that additional types of housing were needed in the Parish. The need for homes for first time buyers was identified by 47.4% of respondents. 38.5% of respondents identified a requirement for affordable housing to rent or buy, 33.3% identified a need for housing for families and 28.9% for housing for older people. 31.1% of respondents felt that no additional types of housing were required.
- The majority of respondents (68.0%) felt that building between 0-5 homes per year was an acceptable rate of development for the Parish.
- 27.0% of respondents are planning to move, 11.4% of respondents are not planning to move but have a household member who is planning to move and 3.6% are not planning to move but have a close family member who would like to move to/return to Abridge.

Section 2 - Future housing requirements – I am planning to move (Questions 9-19)

- 27% of respondents (38) are planning to move. 44.4% of these wish to move within the next 5 years.
- The most popular reason for seeking a move was needing a smaller home, which was chosen by 58.1% of respondents. Other popular responses include, retiring, for access to shops and services and for access to good transport links.
- 18.4% wish to remain within Awbridge while the majority of respondents (55.3%) wish to move within the adjacent parishes or wider Test Valley area.
- The majority of respondents are looking for a detached house (70.3%) and for owner occupation (89.2%). 48.7% are looking for 3 bedrooms, 27.0% for 2 bedrooms and 21.6% for 4 bedrooms.

- 4 of the 38 respondents were interested in renting a home and were targeting a range of price levels between up to £600 per month and up to £1,500 per month.
- 34 of the 38 respondents were interested in purchasing a home and were targeting a range of price levels between £251,000 and over £1 million. 62.5% of respondents are targeting between £501,000 and over £1 million.
- A lack of suitable properties in the area was the most frequent response given as a factor preventing respondents from moving. This was chosen by 63.2% of respondents. Other frequent responses include lack of properties available with the number of bedrooms required as well as issues around affordability and health concerns.
- 1 respondent planning to move is registered on both the local housing waiting list for affordable rented accommodation and Help to Buy South for shared ownership and other affordable forms of home ownership.

Section 3 – Household/close family members in housing need (Section 3 Questions 20-32)

- 24 survey respondents completed Section 3 stating that a member(s) of their household or a close family member(s) would need a separate home.
- 100% of household member(s)/close family member(s) identified were sons or daughters of the survey respondent.
- 87.5% of these sons and daughters currently live in Awbridge, with 12.5% previously living in Awbridge
- 78.3% want to move within the next 5 years and 41.7% wish to move within Awbridge. 45.8% wish to move outside of Test Valley.
- 63.5% of respondents identified the main reason for seeking alternative accommodation as needing to start a first home. To be near work, family/dependent/carer and for family reasons were each chosen by 16.7% of respondents.
- The sons and daughters of survey respondents were seeking a range of accommodation types with flats and semi-detached homes being the most popular choices, each chosen by 43.5% of respondents.
- Owner occupation was chosen as the preferred tenure type by 73.9% of respondents, with the majority advising that their son or daughter was looking for a 2 bedroom property (60.9%)
- Affordability was the most frequent response regarding factors preventing respondent household's family members from moving. This was chosen by 77.3% of respondents, followed by being unable to afford accommodation with sufficient bedrooms to meet needs, chosen by 63.6%.
- 8 respondents advised that their family member was interested in renting, with the majority looking to pay between £601 and £800 per month.

- 18 respondents advised that their family members were interested in buying and 16 respondents provided information regarding the price range they would be targeting. 87.5% were prepared to pay £350,000 or less for a property.
- The household member(s)/close family member(s) (i.e. the sons and daughters of survey respondents) in this section are represented by the younger age groups. All are under 45 years old and 68.5% are aged between 16 and 34 years.
- Only one household/close family member is registered on local housing waiting lists. This household/family member is registered with the Local Authority for affordable rented accommodation as well as Help to Buy South for shared ownership and other affordable forms of home ownership.

Summary of respondents wanting to move home but remain living in Awbridge Parish/return to Awbridge Parish. (Section 2 and Section 3)
(Further details can be found in Appendix 3)

- 7 respondent households completed Section 2 of the survey advising that they wished to move home and to remain living in Awbridge.
- 10 respondents completed Section 3 of the survey stating that they had a household member/close family member who needs to move to separate accommodation but wanted to stay living within or move to Awbridge. All have stated a local connection to the parish and all are sons or daughters of these 10 respondents.
- The majority of households represented in both Sections 2 and 3 wish to move within the next 5 years.
- A range of age groups are looking for accommodation in Awbridge. For those households completing Section 2 the majority are over 55 years of age, while those represented in section 3 are all under 45 years.
- For those completing Section 2, the most common reason for needing to move was the need for a smaller home. For those completing Section 3, the most common reason for needing a new home was to start their first home.
- Respondents looking for accommodation in Awbridge were looking to access a range of accommodation types, with the most popular responses being detached and semi-detached housing, followed by bungalows and terraced or town houses.
- In terms of tenure, the majority of respondents were looking for owner occupation (14) as all or part of their choice, 4 were looking for affordable rent as all or part of their choice and 3 were looking for affordable home ownership as all or part of their choice.
- Respondents were looking for a range of sizes of accommodation with the majority (9) looking for a property with 2 bedrooms. 5 respondents were looking for a 3 bedroom property.
- In respect of factors that could prevent them from moving, the most frequent response was lack of suitable properties in the area, followed by issues around affordability.
- 4 respondents were interested in renting, the majority of which were looking to pay less than £800 per month. A typical 2 bedroom property in the area could cost around £949 per month. The prices that the majority of respondents are targeting are closer to affordable rent levels.

- 16 households represented in Sections 2 and 3 are looking to buy with 15 providing the price range that they will be targeting. A wide range of prices are being targeted across the different age groups from £126,000 to over £1 million. For those completing Section 3, all of whom are under 44 years, the majority of respondents (5) advised that their household/close family members were prepared to pay less than £250,000. 10 properties have sold in Awbridge within the last year, however only 1 sold for less than £335,000. The lower price ranges being targeted are closer to those prices for affordable home ownership products such as shared ownership.
- 2 respondents were registered with both Test Valley Borough Council for affordable rented housing and with Help to Buy South for shared ownership or other forms of affordable home ownership.
- There are 6 households on the local housing register for affordable rented properties stating a local connection to Awbridge.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan Group:

- Considers and accepts the findings of this report.
- Considers developing policies which will enable the provision of smaller (2-3 bed) homes, suitable for local people to downsize and/or for first time buyers to purchase, with consideration being given to likely open market values and the possible need for those homes to be delivered as affordable homes for purchase as per the definition within the National Planning Policy Framework.
- Considers supporting the development of a rural affordable housing scheme for the Parish which prioritises local people and contains a mix of affordable homes to buy and rent. These homes would be retained for local people in perpetuity. A rural affordable housing scheme could be delivered for example through a Housing Association or through a community led housing organisation such as a Community Land Trust.

APPENDIX 2 – Summary comments in response to Question 7

55 respondents made a comment

Only recently moved here, not familiar with the area to truly know what is missing, but young families give life!
Probably impossible to achieve if too ambitious, but families and young people are the future of the village. We are a big village so good for expansion in a steady way.
Sufficient to meet the needs of people currently living in Awbridge or with associations with residents
There has been a lot of new builds at Stanbridge School, at Kents Oak, Church lane proposals
Unable to say without knowing the sort of houses proposed.
Before addressing the type and quantity of housing that may be built, the quality of life of the current residents should be considered. Individuals choose to reside in a sparsely populated village to experience a rural lifestyle, it is important that this is not impacted or compromised by any future housing construction. There are also areas of Awbridge that become very busy and congested with traffic. It is vital that development does not exacerbate this problem. If any housing is to be built affordable housing would give a wider range of people an opportunity to experience living in the countryside. The impact on the small village school should be considered.
Seems appropriate for size of parish
Need to retain character of village but with a mix of housing so that people who would like to move to rural location can but those who want to remain can and don't feel threatened by high density housing
There is a lack of infrastructure to support more homes
Don't know
Don't want the village to grow too big, more trouble
Lots of housing development already in Awbridge. Concern over loss of green space/woodland. Lots of housing development in Romsey including affordable homes, increase in cars on road increases in services i.e. GP/Police.
Concern re loss of village
Up to a max of 25 in total and then review smaller/affordable homes
If a developer is willing to pay enough to get planning permission they will build what they want where they want regardless of any actual requirements or survey result
There is way too much housing development in this area already. We feel with more and more development villages will disappear and become one enormous urbanisation with no individual identity.
There has been far too much building in the parish - all of the same type - large detached houses We need to keep the youngsters here
It is a rural area and so any larger plans should occur in more suburban areas not Awbridge
It is getting busier and busier on the roads with all the extra traffic of residents and through traffic.
Homes should be built only if a suitable site becomes available and then a mix of bungalows or similar, 1 2 and 3 bedroom or possibly a terrace, there is no need for huge 5 bedroom properties!
But it is pivotal that these are affordable, eco-friendly homes and not houses worth millions of pounds that only a certain socio-economic group can afford.
Development should be kept to a minimum to keep the village as a village and to retain its rural character.
The south of England has a disproportionate amount of new housing compared to the Midlands and North of England and also the Romsey area, in particular, has seen a disproportionate amount compared to other parts of Hampshire. Any further development in the parish would need to be on greenfield and woodland sites which should be avoided if at all possible.

Initially a relatively high number to address the balance of larger properties to starter homes meeting current needs
Existing facilities insufficient for larger developments
Without an extension to the school more homes will overcrowd Awbridge School
Roads are busy and cars speed. Some roads are not wide enough for 2 cars
Good range of housing already. 0-5 would allow infill
Gross over development in the Test Valley
Already so much new development going on in village but none that a first time buyer could afford
Too many too soon runs the risk of changing the village in to a town and the feel and atmosphere will negatively be impacted
Small developments are much more sustainable, offer better incorporation in to the local community and create less disturbance to existing residents
The village is being ruined by all planning developments, no more houses to be built
It should be sustainable for the local population. Too many built in one go will split the village up especially without any infrastructure. Build the roads surgery shops etc. before houses
UK needs 300,000 new houses
Too many having been built recently
Not informed enough to comment
Would like to maintain the living in the country feel but are aware of the need of more housing. Small estates?
Houses built in the village at present are not for the average buyer
Any more would destroy the character of the village
Something needs to be done about the increase and noise of the traffic. Speed has increased.
Over recent years Awbridge has had more development in proportion to its size than most neighbouring villages. It is not a suitable location for further development. There is no local shop selling basic groceries, no meaningful public transport and the lack of mains drainage has caused serious problems for several recent developments
We have already have plans for more housing and a number of small developments have been built in recent years
People need homes, but there has been a lot of building in this area.
Virtually no local amenities, few buses, no street lighting, few paths, no shops etc.
If all villages grow organically the village should stay viable. Larger villages may be able to support facilities such as shops
Too many large houses built close together will end up like an estate ghetto
It minimises but expands development
Should be controlled growth. Recent developments have been too dense. This is countryside not suburbia.
Cannot comment have not been living in Awbridge long enough
The village has seen a great number of developments and does not have the capacity for continued growth
The village is fairly small and with limited obvious sites for development. I think residents do appreciate the need for some additional housing but would wish to see proper consultation beforehand.
I appreciate that there aren't many brownfield sites in Awbridge, but feel these should take precedence in terms of new homes being built. There is already a problem with the village being used as a rat run for traffic, with little infrastructure to accommodate huge numbers of homes. New houses have been built recently, each with a price tag in excess of £1m. We need affordable housing for local young people priced out of the village, even if it is social housing or available to rent.
We decided to move to Awbridge to be in the countryside, away from large housing developments, pubs, street lighting and shops and would like to retain this rural environment.

There is sufficient housing in Awbridge. Please remember it is a village and it should stay that way. Awbridge offers no amenities-very limited public bus, no village shop/PO. You need a car so limitation for both young, elderly people or disabled. All homes recently/ currently built are large family houses, very expensive, £1m+. Even where 'affordable homes' are built, they are not affordable without clauses (part ownership etc). Current back gardens need to be kept as gardens-the pandemic has proved this.

APPENDIX 3 - Summary of respondents who wish to move within Awbridge Parish (Sections 2 and 3)

When are you/they planning to move? (Q9 and Q22)

	Section 2 respondents (7)	Section 3 respondents (10)	Total
Within the next 5 years	3	7	10
6-10 years		2	2
11 years or more	3	0	3

Two respondents did not answer this question.

Age of household members (Q5 and Q31)

	Section 2 respondents (7)	Section 3 respondents (10)	Total
0-15	2	5	7
16-24	2	1	3
25-34	2	4	6
35-44	0	7	7
45-54	3	0	3
55-64	5	0	5
65-74	2	0	2
75-84	10	0	10
85+	0	0	0

Reasons for moving (Q10 and Q24)

Respondents could choose more than one option in response to this question.

	Section 2 respondents (7)	Section 3 respondents (10)	Total
Need smaller home	4	1	5
Need larger home	1		1
Retiring	2		2
Currently renting would like to buy	1		1
Energy bills/bills to high	2		2
For access to shops and services	2		2
For access to good transport links	2		2
Want to start first home		6	6
Divorce/separation		1	1
To be near family/dependent/carer		4	4
Family reasons		4	4
Other (please specify)		2	2

Type of accommodation looking for (Q12 and Q25)

Respondents were able to choose more than one option in response to this question

	Section 2 respondents (7)	Section 3 respondents (10)	Total
Flat	1	2	3
Bungalow	6	1	7
Detached house	4	5	9
Semi-detached house	2	7	9
Terraced or town house	2	5	7
Self build	1	2	3
Retirement housing	0	0	0

Tenure of accommodation looking for (Q13 and Q26)

Respondents were able to choose more than one option in response to this question

	Section 2 respondents (7)	Section 3 respondents (10)	Total
Owner occupation	6	8	14
Private rent	1		1
Affordable rent	1	3	4
Affordable forms of home ownership	1	2	3

How many bedrooms are needed? (Q14 and Q27)

	Section 2 respondents (7)	Section 3 respondents (10)	Total
1 bedroom	0	1	1
2 bedrooms	3	6	9
3 bedrooms	3	2	5
4 bedrooms	1	1	2
5 bedrooms or more	0	0	0

What factors may prevent you/them from moving? (Q17 and Q28)

	Section 2 respondents (7)	Section 3 respondents (10)	Total
Lack of suitable properties in the area	7	8	15
Unable to afford accommodation with sufficient bedrooms to meet needs	2	7	9
Lack of properties available with the number of bedrooms required	2	3	5
Location of employment	0	0	0

Lack of properties with tenure required e.g. affordable rent, private rent, to buy	2	3	5
Health problems	2	0	2
Affordability	2	8	10
Other (please specify)	1	1	2

If looking to rent what price range are you/they targeting? (Q15 and Q29)

4 respondents were interested in renting

	Section 2 respondents (1)	Section 3 respondents (3)	Total
Up to £600 per month	0	1	1
£601 - £800 per month	0	2	2
£801 - £1,000 per month	1	0	1
£1,001 - £1,500 per month	0	0	0
£1,501 - £2000 per month	0	0	0

If looking to buy what price range are you/they targeting? (Q16 and Q30)

15 respondents provided this information

	Section 2 respondents (7)	Section 3 respondents (8)	Total
£75,000-£125,000	0	0	0
£126,000 -£175,000	0	2	2
£176,000-£250,000	0	3	3
£251,000-£350,000	2	2	4
£351,000-£500,000	1	1	2
£501,000-£750,000	0	0	0
£751,000-£1million	3	0	3
Over 1 million	1	0	1

Are you/they registered on any housing waiting lists? (Q18 and Q32)

Respondents were able to choose more than one response to this question.

	Section 2 respondents (7)	Section 3 respondents (10)
Local Authority register	1	1
Help to Buy	1	1
No	6	9