

Tockwith Youth Forum Survey

To get the voices of the Youth (18 and younger) in the village, three surveys collected over November 2023 to January 2024. The three surveys were aimed at the under 5s (with parents required to assist in capturing the youth voices), children of primary school age (4-11 years old) and secondary school age (11-18 years old).

The surveys were hosted on the platform Qualtrics and was accessible via weblink or QR code. Tockwith Primary school also kindly facilitated running the survey too.

Survey

Figure 1 shows the number of responses of each survey. There were 138 total responses across the three surveys. Over three quarters were from the Primary school (count = 107) with the other 23% from 11-18 years and under 5s.

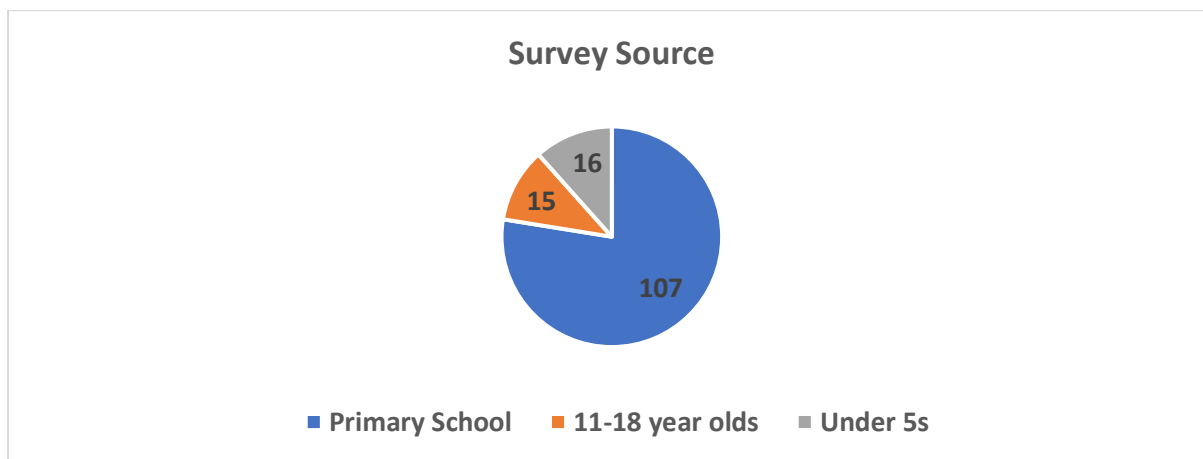


Figure 1 Showing split of respondents from each survey.

Age Groups

Figure 2 shows the split of respondents based on the age. The majority were from the 9-11 years olds in the primary school survey (47%) and the second highest was 4-8 years old (28%). The survey got representation from all age groups.

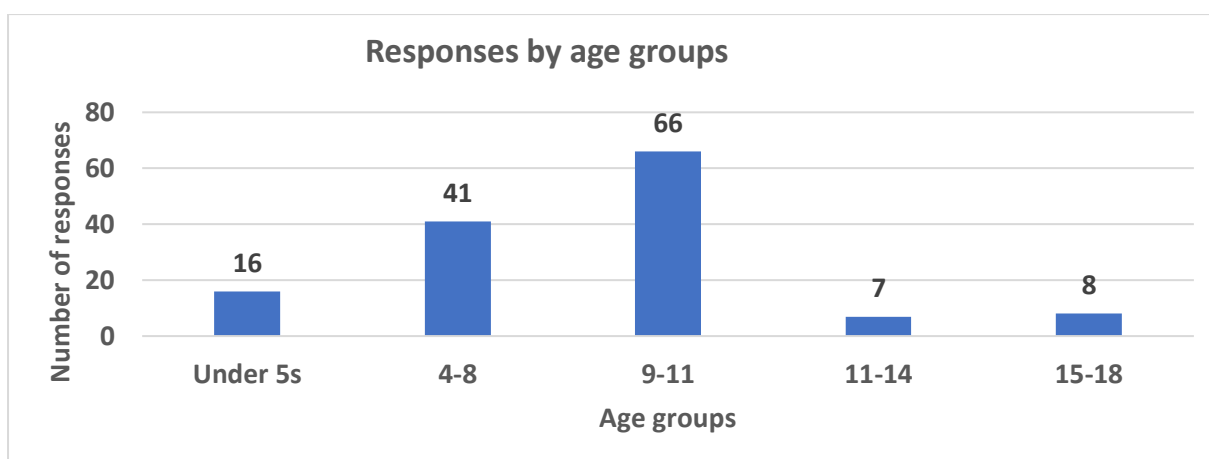


Figure 2 Showing the split of responses based on age groups.

Gender

The survey asked respondents their gender to make sure representation was equal. Approximately 50% were male and 50% female with a small number (<5) indicating they preferred not to say.

The surveys asked the villages of the responses. **Figure 3** shows the majority were from Tockwith (count = 96), less than 10 from Bilton in Ainsty, Cowthorpe, Bickerton and Wetherby respectively and 14 from other villages such as Cattal and Long Marston.

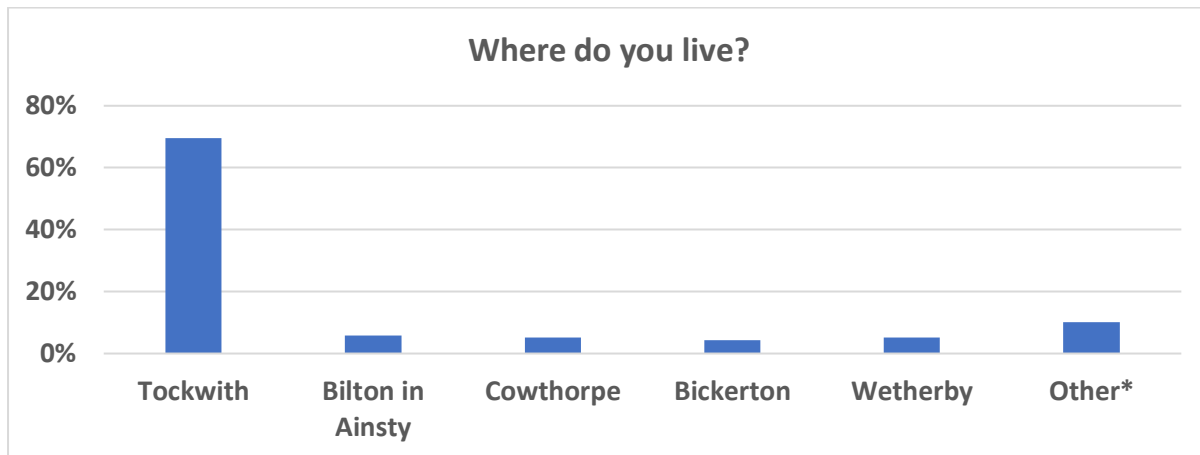


Figure 3 Which village do you live. Other included Cattal, Harrogate, Hessay, Long Marston, Moor Monkton, Tadcaster and York.

Note – despite the survey being aimed at hearing the youth voice from the Parish, the collection of responses from external areas, e.g. Bickerton or Wetherby are via the 'Tockwith Under 5s' play group (which is based at Tockwith Village Hall) or the Tockwith Primary and thus are youth who use the parish youth facilities.

Do you like living here?

The first question asked of the Tockwith and area youth was whether they like where they live. **Figure 4** shows the responses of a 5-scale choice. Selection of 1 was 'Do not like' and 5 'Do Like'. Over half of the responses said they like living here selecting 5 (highest rating). One third said they liked it but chose 4 which suggests aspects could be better. In total, 11% said either 'do not like or dislike' or 'do not like'.

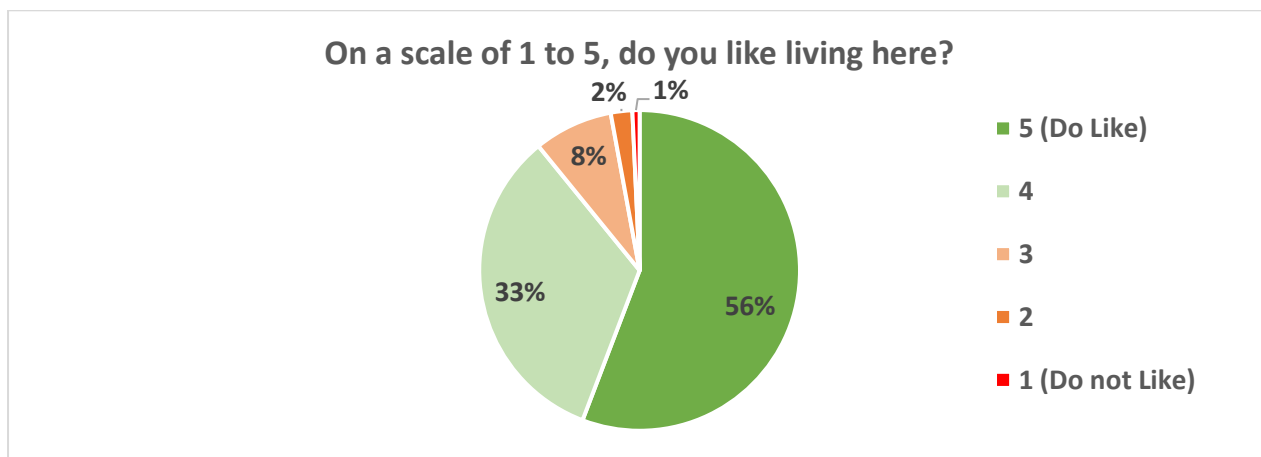


Figure 4 Do you like living here?

To identify what hobbies young people have in the village, the survey asked a selection of hobbies as well as the option to name their own hobby. **Figure 5** shows the distribution of hobbies and **Table 1** lists the other hobbies. The top selected hobbies were art, football, socialising, cycling, reading, crafting and cooking. All of these achieved above 40 responses.

Of the additional hobbies, the top listed were cricket, athletics and swimming. The rest were less than 5 and numbers were suppressed.

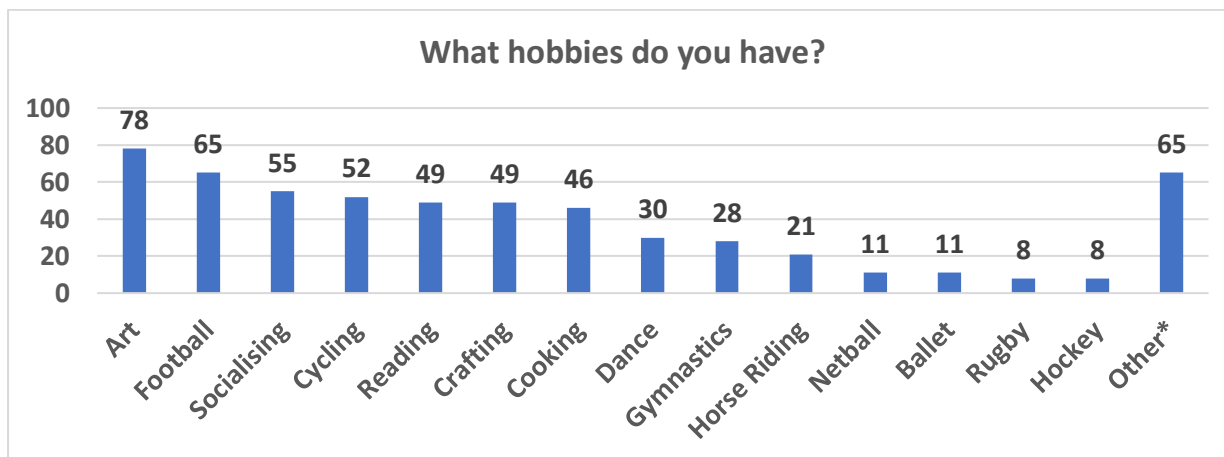


Figure 5 Showing what hobbies the respondents have.

Table 1 showing additional hobbies listed	
Hobbies	Number
Cricket	7
Athletics e.g. gym or running	5
Swimming	5
Other	<5

Other included - acting/drama/theatre, badminton, basketball, boxing, cadets, cat training, cheer, climbing, gaming, golf, Lego, martial arts, music, rollerblading, scouts, skateboarding, tennis, walking

Do you use the playgrounds in the village?

The survey asked if respondents used the two parks in the village. The parks are at Prince Rupert Drive and on Marston Road. **Figure 6** shows the split of responses. Less than a quarter said no they don't use the park and a quarter said they only use Prince Rupert drive. There was 4% that said they use Marston Road only and half said they use both.

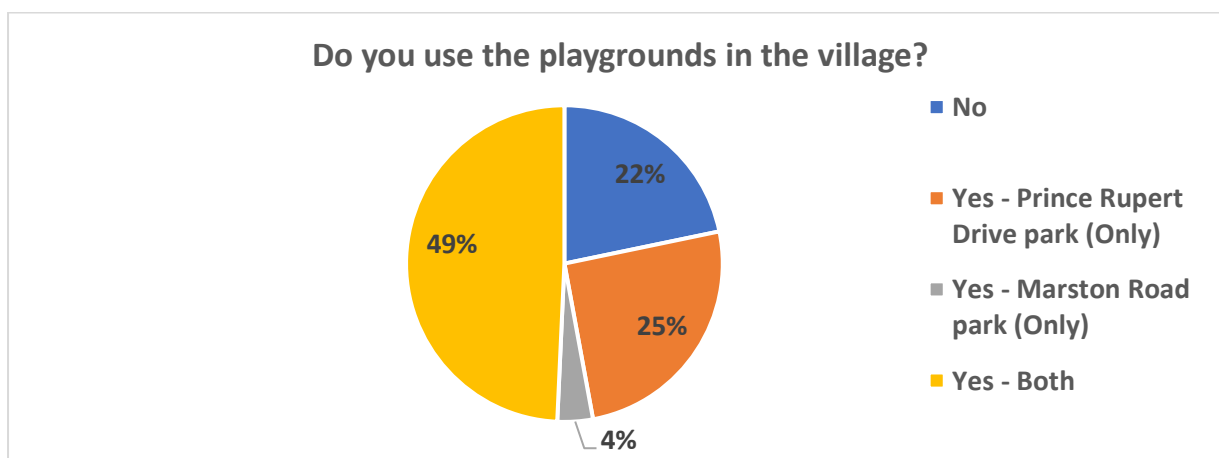


Figure 6 Showing the split of responses to 'Do you use the playgrounds?'

Do you like the equipment in the playground?

The survey asked participants if they like the parks. The question required them to rank the parks from ‘do not like’ to ‘do like’. **Figure 7** shows the responses. Fewer than 10% said ‘do not like’ to ‘kind of do not like’. 18% selected ‘neither like or dislike’ and almost three quarters said they ‘kind of’ to ‘definitely do’ like the park.

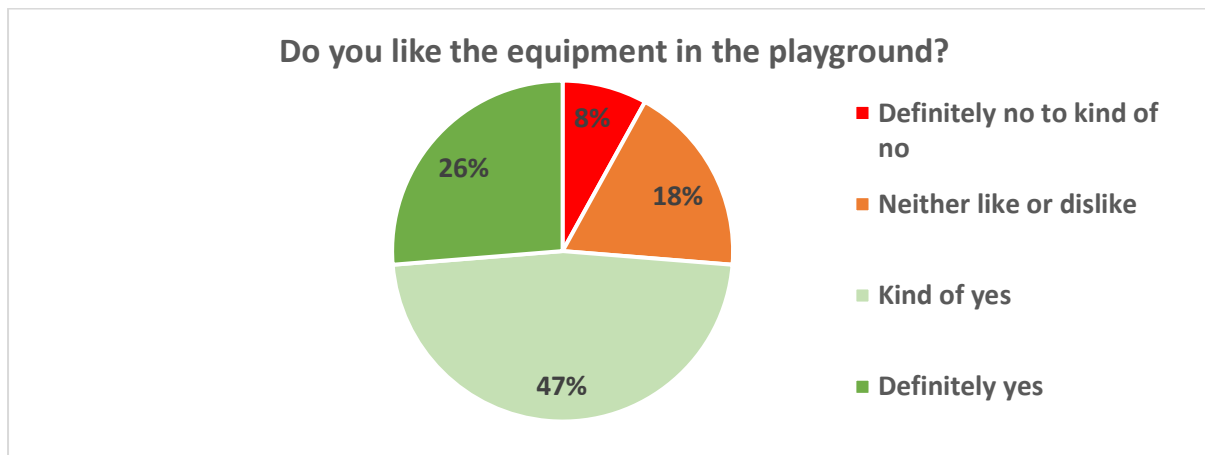


Figure 7 Showing responses to the question 'Do you like the equipment in the playground?'

After the use of the park question, the respondents were asked what they most liked about the park. **Table 2** shows the responses, grouped by categories which were ‘playground equipment’ and ‘other’. The four pieces of equipment named as top things included swings (both generic and rope/basket swing), slides and the climbing equipment. There was also mention of other equipment such as the ‘spinner’, roundabout and seesaw. There were also some positive comments about aspects other than equipment e.g. the variety of equipment, maintenance/clean equipment (count 5) and benches.

Table 2 showing the different named aspects of the park that people like the most			
Category	Name	Count	%
Playground equipment	Swing (including accessible swing)	48	38%
	Rope/basket swing	27	21%
	Slide	24	19%
	Climbing equipment (including, monkey bars, fireman’s pole, climbing wall and climbing frame)	21	16%
	Spinner	9	7%
	Roundabout (witch’s hat)	8	7%
	Seesaw	6	5%
	Other playground equipment		
Other	Maintenance/clean equipment	5	4%
	Other playground equipment	<5	<4%
Total		128	
<i>Other equipment - miniature equipment, doughnut, four square, climbing net, motorbike, games board</i>			
<i>Other - meeting friends, benches, space and variety of equipment</i>			

How could the playground be improved?

Respondents were then asked to name how the park could be improved. In **Table 3**, improvements assigned into 3 categories. The first category are specific items that were named. These included, in order of highest popularity, zipline (count 22), swinging equipment (count 16), trampoline (count 7), red spinner (count 6) and doughnut (count 5). Other equipment was listed, but they have been suppressed to <5 to avoid identifiability – specific counts available upon request.

Other categories were more statements around equipment which included: equipment (specifically swings) for older children; more equipment; more climbing equipment and more small equipment for younger children. This indicates that during any redevelopment, including equipment to suit all ages is important to the youth.

Finally, other miscellaneous statements included the park to be bigger/expanded, consideration of the flooring both safety and real turf, and there was also a positive response of ‘nothing’.

Table 3 Showing what were the named aspects of the park that would improve the experience			
Category	Name	Count	%
Named Equipment	Zipline	22	17%
	Swinging equipment (like monkey bars)	16	12%
	Trampoline	7	5%
	Red spinner (to match equipment at Tockwith Primary)	6	5%
	Doughnut	5	4%
	Other	<5	<4%
Wider statement	Older people swings/equipment	9	7%
	More equipment	19	15%
	More climbing equipment	11	9%
	Other	<5	<4%
Other	Bigger/expanded	7	5%
	Other	<5	<4%
<i>Other named equipment - slide, bigger slide, drop slide, football goal, roundabout, skatepark, swings, big swings, go-karts running track, obstacle course, basketball hoop, seesaw, spinning bowl and gymnastic bars</i>			
<i>Other wider statement - small equipment</i>			
<i>Other - open space, real turf, playground, safety, 3rd location, modernise/brighten, bring back old equipment, sheltered space and nothing.</i>			

Do you use the sports field?

Respondents were asked if they use the sports field. **Figure 8** shows the split that ~67% do use the sports field and 33% do not. After the respondents were asked what they use the sports field for, the top listed activity (68%) was football. The next three individual activities were the use of gym equipment, socializing and running. Please note, in the footer of the table, under the subcategory of ‘other’, is a list of named activities that included other sports such as dodgeball, tennis, hockey and cricket.

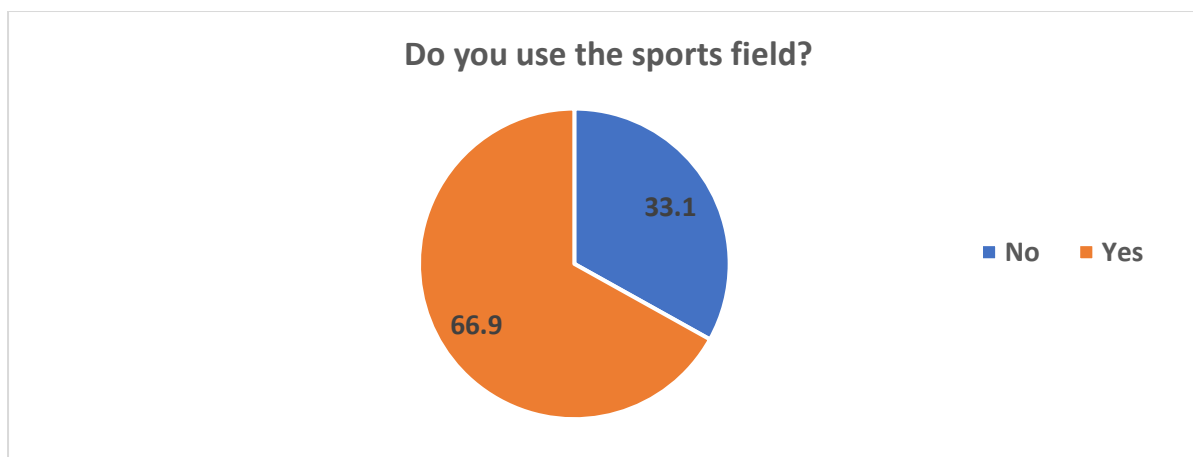


Figure 8 Do you use the sports field responses.

Table 4 showing what the sports field is used for		
Categories	Number	%
Football	49	68%
Gym equipment	17	24%
Socialising	12	17%
Running	8	11%
Gymnastics	<5	<5%
Pantomime practice	<5	<5%
Other*	16	22%

Including, dodgeball, exercise, cricket, walking, Frisby, hockey, tennis, playing sport, practicing sports day, watching football, nothing as nothing there interests me

Would you like more facilities (places or equipment) in the village?

The respondents were asked what additional facilities in the village could be added to make life better. **Table 5** shows some categories of responses as well as sub-groups. Of all the responses, there were 5 categories found. These included, sport related comments, playground equipment, nature related comments, clubs and general.

Of the sports related comments, the top facility was a skate/bike park, followed by an all-sports court/MUGA. Following these were a bike track, outdoor gym/upgrade to sports field gym, basketball hoop and running track. A trend was a clear aspiration to have more fitness/sports activities available in addition to the football options presently available.

Of the responses grouped as ‘playground equipment’, there was commonality with findings in **Table 3**, showing a preference for a zipline and availability of older children equipment.

The responses in the comments around nature category contained improvements such as nicer walks, nature highway and bug hotels. The clubs were mainly a youth club (15%) and sports clubs other than football, e.g. netball and rugby.

The general comments were increase in public transport, an additional shop and coffee shop, as well as increases to soft play/activities for younger children in the village.

Table 5 showing different facilities people want to make the village better.			
Categories	Named facilities/improvements for village	Count	%
Sport related	Skatepark	15	13%
	All sports court/multi use games area (MUGA)	9	8%
	Bike track	8	7%
	Outdoor gym/sports field	7	6%
	Basketball hoop	6	5%
	Running track	5	4%
	Other	<5	<5%
Playground Equipment	Zipline	13	11%
	More equipment (noted for all ages, improved on MR and 3rd location)	9	8%
	Other	<5	<5%
Nature	Other	<5	<5%
Clubs	Youth club (compared to Poppleton)	17	15%
	Other	<5	<5%
General	Public transport	8	7%
	Shop	7	6%
	Coffee shop/café	6	5%
	Other	<5	<5%
<i>Other Sport related - astro turf, tennis/squash/dodgeball court, improved football goals, trampoline, outdoor gymnastic equipment, gym for children, small gym, football pitches, gym, indoor sports field, swimming pool, sports equipment, bars, bigger sports facilities, gymnastics, pool table</i>			
<i>Other Playground equipment - tunnel slide, rope net slide, monkey bars and big slide</i>			
<i>Other Nature - Nature trail, safer walks, bug houses and wildflower superhighway</i>			
<i>Other clubs - Dance, eco-club, sports club (not football) and art club</i>			
<i>Other General - Soft play and day group activities</i>			

Do you use public transport in the village?

Respondents were asked about their use of the public transport. **Figure 9** shows that the majority ‘do not use the bus or train’. In total, only 31 of the total responses recorded as using either bus, train or both.

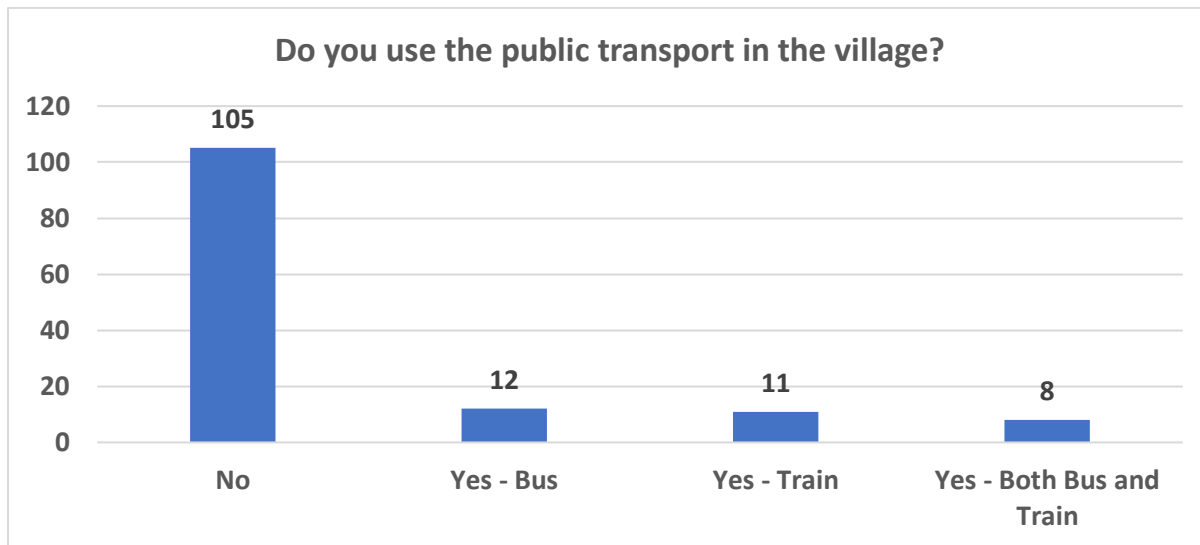


Figure 9 showing the responses to 'Do you use public transport in the village?'

If there was better public transport, would you use it more?

After the question on overall use, there was a specific question around frequency of use. The response was mixed between every week to once every 6 months, showing only very few frequent uses in the youth group.

The final question around public transport asked if people would use it more if there was better public transport. **Figure 10** shows that there is interest in an improved service with over 90% saying maybe to yes.

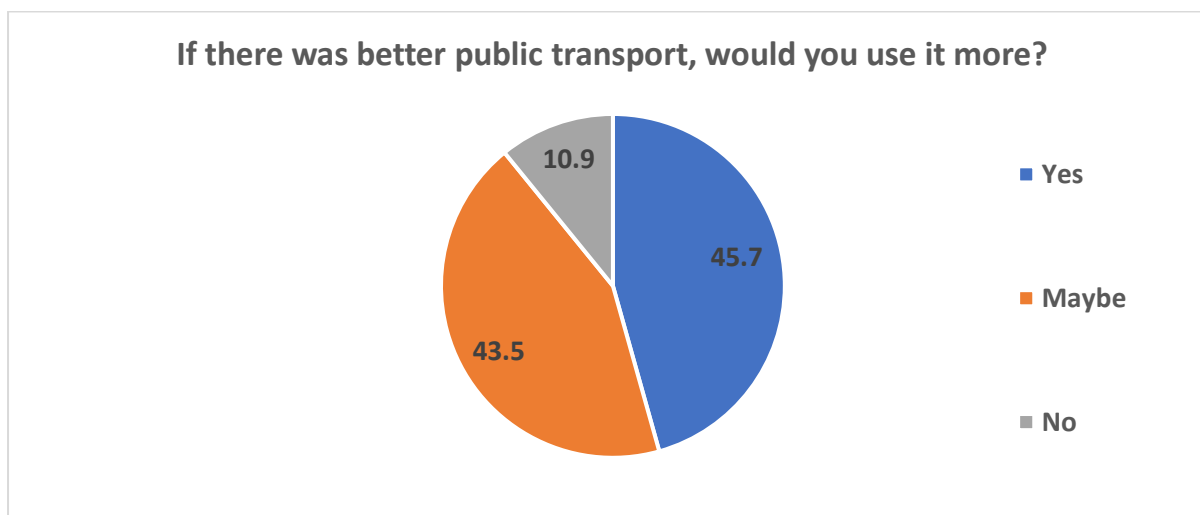


Figure 10 Showing the responses to 'If there was better public transport would you use the bus/train more?'

What is the one thing you would like to see in the village?

The last question of the survey was an open-ended question for one thing to improve the village experience. **Table 6** shows the categories/specifics.

The first category was facilities in the village such as coffee shop, increases to activities/events in the village hall and youth club. The second category was sports related; this included the addition of a skate/bike park, zipline and a third play area (some responses specifically mentioned situating this in Linden Homes green).

The third category was related to nature/environment. Suggestions included bug hotels, nature superhighways and more bins to reduce litter.

The fourth category was general, which included better/increase to public transport and kindness/happiness. There were also fewer than five people saying ‘Nothing’ or ‘It’s perfect’.

Categories	Specifics	Number	%
Facilities	Coffee shop	10	8%
	Village hall activities/events	8	6%
	Youth club	7	6%
	Other	<5	<5%
Sport/park area	Bike/skatepark	12	10%
	Zipline	9	7%
	3rd play area	6	5%
	Other	<5	<5%
Nature/general Tockwith	Other	<5	<5%
General	Train/bus	11	9%
	Kindness/happiness	5	4%
	Other	<5	<5%
<i>Other Facilities - Place to hang out, cinema, pet store, soft play, yoga club, Arcade, second shop, bigger village hall, community centre, Thai takeaway, sweet shop, library van, less traffic and more to do.</i>			
<i>Other Sport/playground - Gymnastic equipment, more/variety, netball club, a field to run in, running track, bigger sports hall, all weather football, MUGA, basketball court, more swings, swimming pool, pool club, football field/nets, go karts, monkey bar teaching, more variety of sports available, outdoor gym, park (none where they live), more people at the park</i>			
<i>Other Nature - Bug hotel, nature trail, more wooded area, less pollution, more litter bins</i>			
<i>Other general - Dog park, less houses, less potholes, nothing, don't know</i>			
<i>Note – the coffee shop responses were from a mixture of three surveys (under 5s parents and carers/ primary school/11-18 group)</i>			

Would you be willing to be part of the youth forum?

At the end of the survey, respondents were asked if they would be interested in joining the youth forum. 43 people said yes, 55 people said maybe and 40 said no. For the under 5s and 11-18 groups, 12 respondents provided their email for future involvement in the youth forum. Respondents from the primary school were asked to let the school know if they were interested and information given to parents regarding this.

Would you be willing to be part of the 'young person forum' to help make decisions about the community			
	Frequency	Percent	
Yes	43	31%	
Maybe	55	40%	
No	40	29%	
Total	138		

Summary

In November 2023 to January 2024, three surveys were conducted to collect the Youth voice from the village. The three surveys covered the Under 5s, Primary school age (4-11) and secondary school age (11-18). The surveys were an online administered method via Qualtrics and accessed via link/QR code or facilitated through the school.

There were reasonable levels of responses across all three surveys, age groups and genders. Across the surveys, most participants were from Tockwith, with over 30 responses from a wider catchment in the primary school surveys.

In terms of satisfaction in the youth, there were high levels in the village with 89% saying they like it and 8% neutral. The responses showed that the majority use both parks and the sports field. They also indicated a wide use of the sports field too.

When asked what people like about the park, 38% said that they liked the swing, 21% the rope/basket swing, 19% slide and 16% climbing equipment. Due to the reasonable level of responses, there is some good indication (from all age groups) for specific developments to the village parks. This includes a clear request for a zipline and variety of equipment for all ages.

A trend across multiple questions was an interest in fitness including either updating the gym equipment on the sport field, the addition of a gym or a gym club available. There was a trend that the youth group would like to see facilities/clubs for sports other than football.

Additional facilities the youth repeatedly indicated throughout the surveys included a skatepark, bike track and nature related improvements (nature walk/wildflower superhighway and bug hotels).

Presently, there is little use for public transport and those that do use it are infrequent users. The responses indicated a future intention to use the bus/train if there were service improvements.

At the end of the survey, a collection of participants indicated an interest in future involvement in the youth forum with emails captured and schools collecting interested pupils' names.