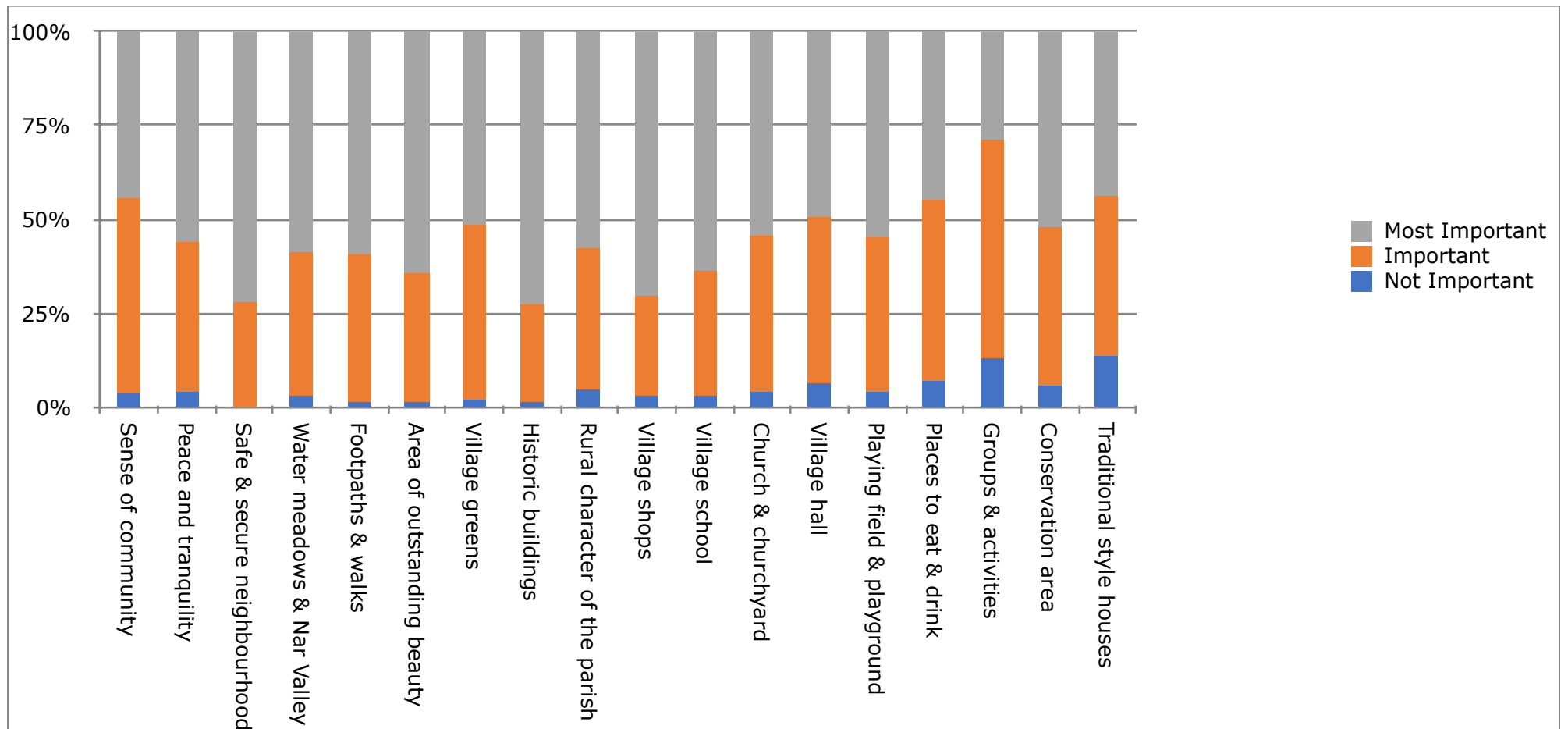


Questionnaire Summaries KLWNBC questions and Evidence Base.

Section 1. Village Statement

	Not Important	Important	Most Important
Sense of community	14	199	174
Peace and tranquility	17	156	225
Safe & secure neighbourhood	2	107	287
Water meadows & Nar Valley	11	149	229
Footpaths & walks	5	148	225
Area of outstanding beauty	6	135	250
Village greens	7	184	203
Historic buildings	4	98	276
Rural character of the parish	18	140	219
Village shops	11	106	279
Village school	12	127	243
Church & churchyard	15	163	213
Village hall	24	175	195
Playing field & playground	16	155	210
Places to eat & drink	27	186	172
Groups & activities	49	219	108
Conservation area	22	163	203
Traditional style houses	53	169	173



Summary:

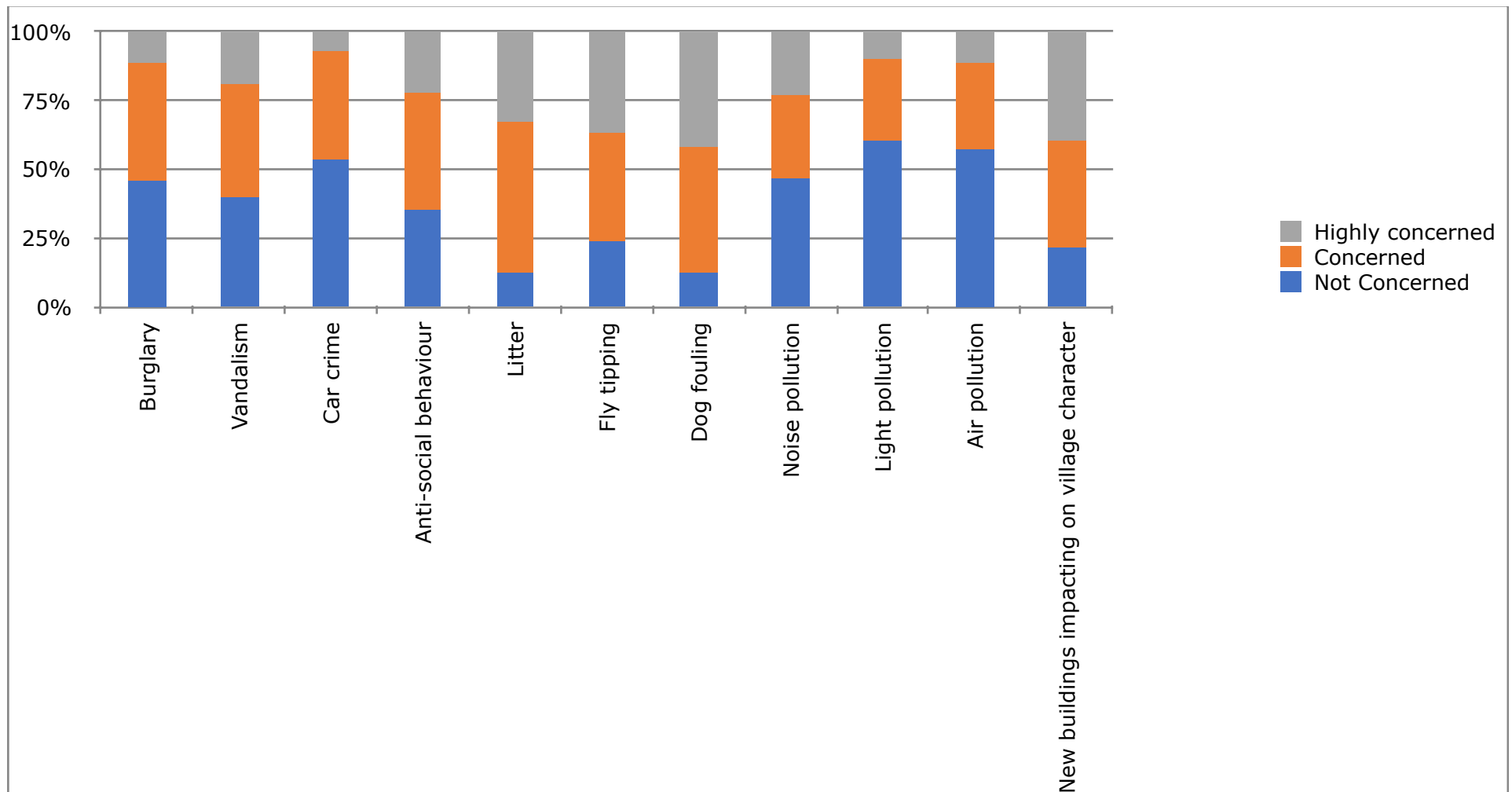
Most important = Shop, Historic Buildings and Water Meadows.

Least important = Traditional house design, providing groups and activities.

Most of what the village currently has is valued. Importantly a small, friendly village atmosphere where there is a real village community that cares about others and the environs.

Your Concerns.

	Not Concerned	Concerned	Highly Concerned
Burglary	178	167	44
Vandalism	158	164	76
Car crime	208	155	28
Anti-social behaviour	138	164	88
Litter	48	212	129
Fly tipping	93	153	143
Dog fouling	49	184	167
Noise pollution	178	116	87
Light pollution	237	117	40
Air pollution	219	118	45
New buildings impacting on village character	85	151	157



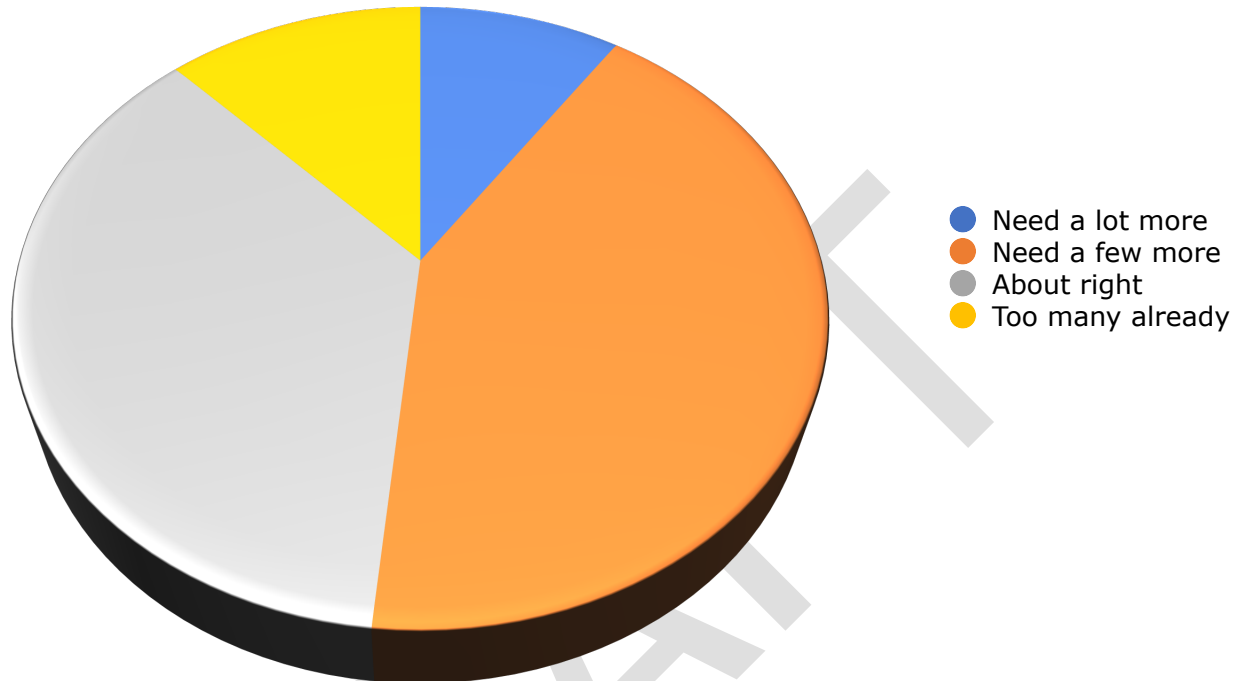
Summary: Most concerns are about Litter and dog fouling (anti-social behaviours). Least concern is about car crime, light and air pollution, noise pollution especially aircraft concerns some. Crime in general is a general concern but not a major worry.

Section 2. Housing

a) Amount of housing

Need a lot more	Need a few more	About right	Too many already
36	159	137	46

PERCEIVED HOUSING NEED.

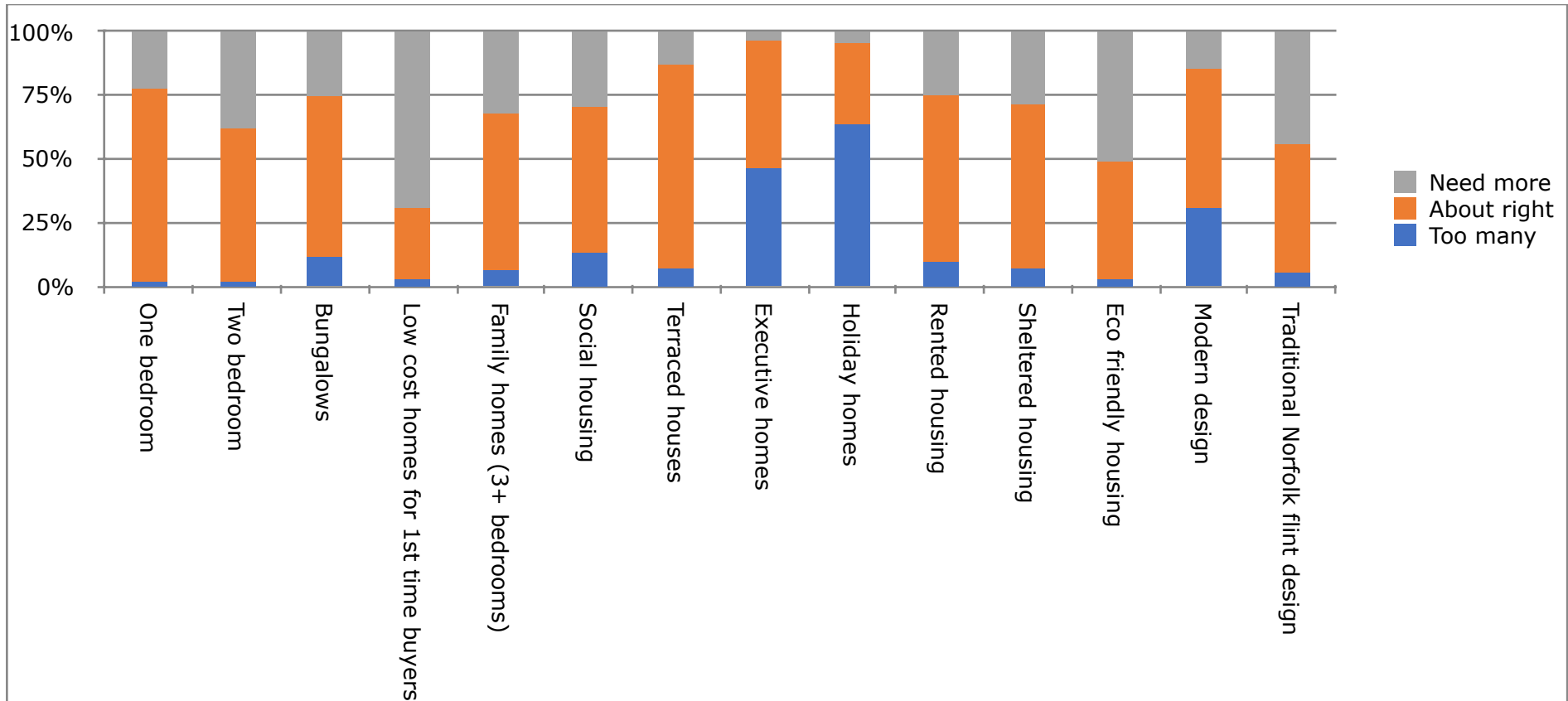


Summary: Few people felt that Castle Acre needs a lot more houses (9%) or has too many already (11%), about 44% felt a few more were needed whilst about 36% felt there was about the right amount of housing.

b) Views on current housing levels & types

	Too many	About right	Need more
One bedroom	8	254	79
Two bedroom	6	209	133
Bungalows	42	229	94
Low cost homes for 1st time buyers	10	95	236
Family homes (3+ bedrooms)	22	213	114
Social housing	48	201	103
Terraced houses	26	277	45
Executive homes	163	177	14
Holiday homes	223	112	15
Rented housing	34	223	89
Sheltered housing	25	222	100
Eco friendly housing	10	159	175
Modern design	109	193	54

Traditional Norfolk flint design	20	186	167
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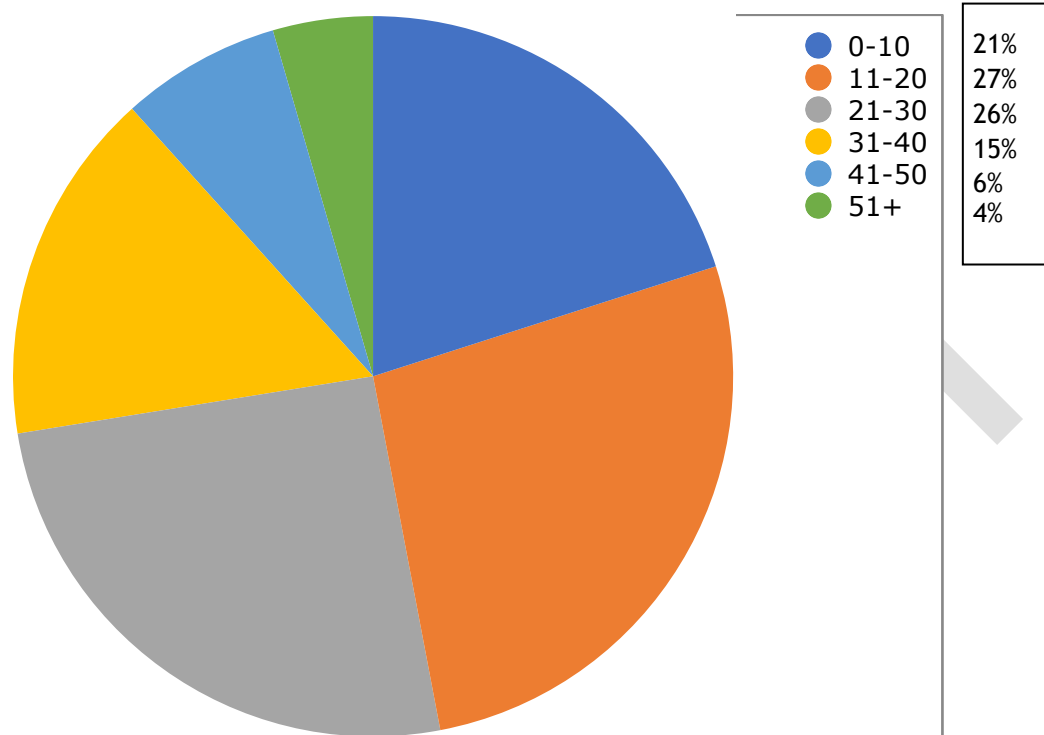
Summary: There is very strong feeling that there are too many executive style homes and holiday/second homes in the village. Low cost homes are a priority, 1st time buying is to be encouraged. Two bedroom and eco-friendly properties are considered to be a priority. The number of terraced, rented, sheltered, social is felt in general to be adequate although some hold different opinions. Traditional design is favoured over modern in terms of what is needed in new builds.

Section Three. Building Development

New homes in next 18 years.

a) Views on number needed.

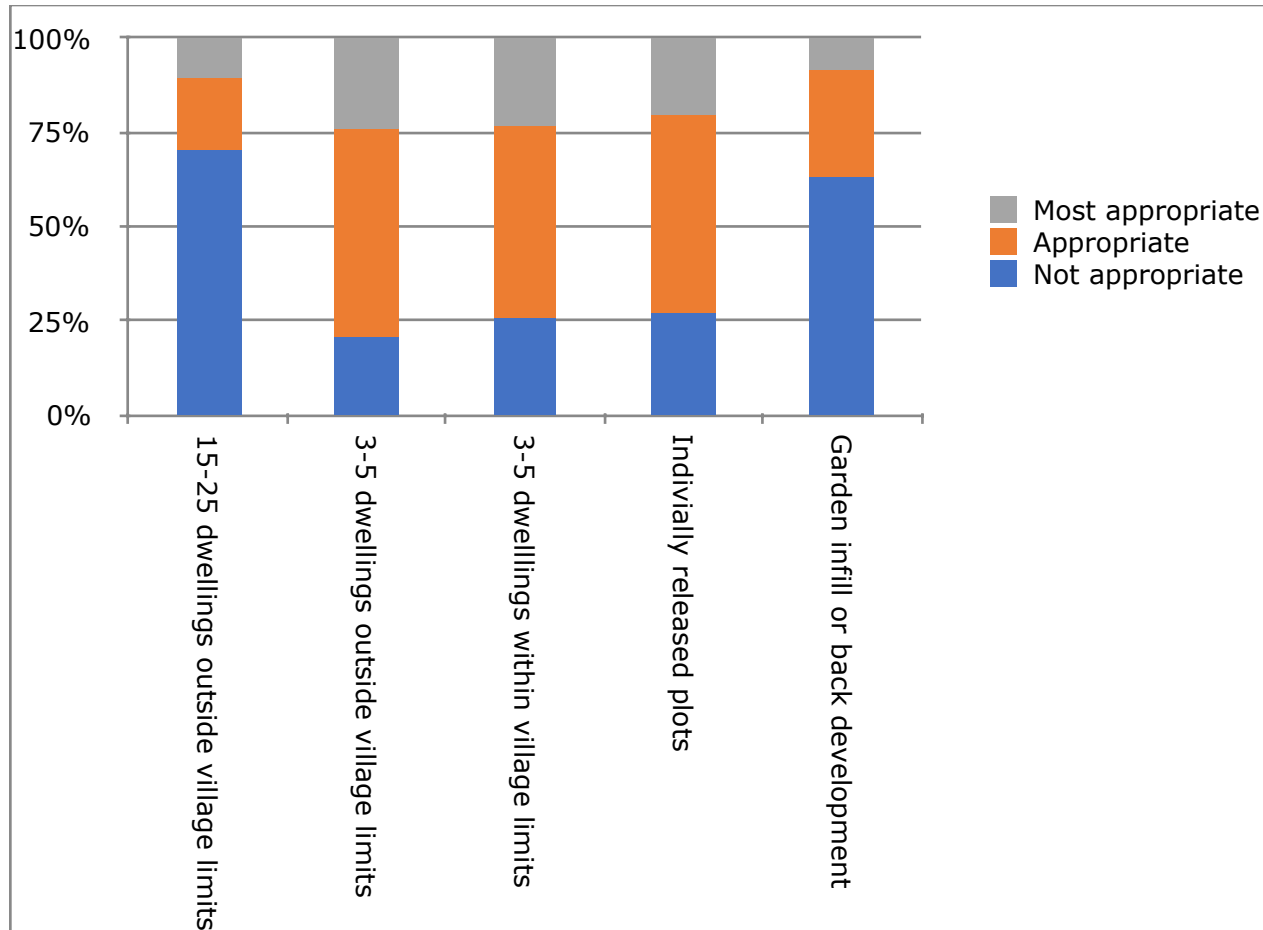
0-10	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	51+
76	100	97	57	24	16



Summary:

Between 1 and 30 would appear to be favourable with about 74% of respondents opting in this range. There is a general feeling that fewer properties would be better than larger numbers.

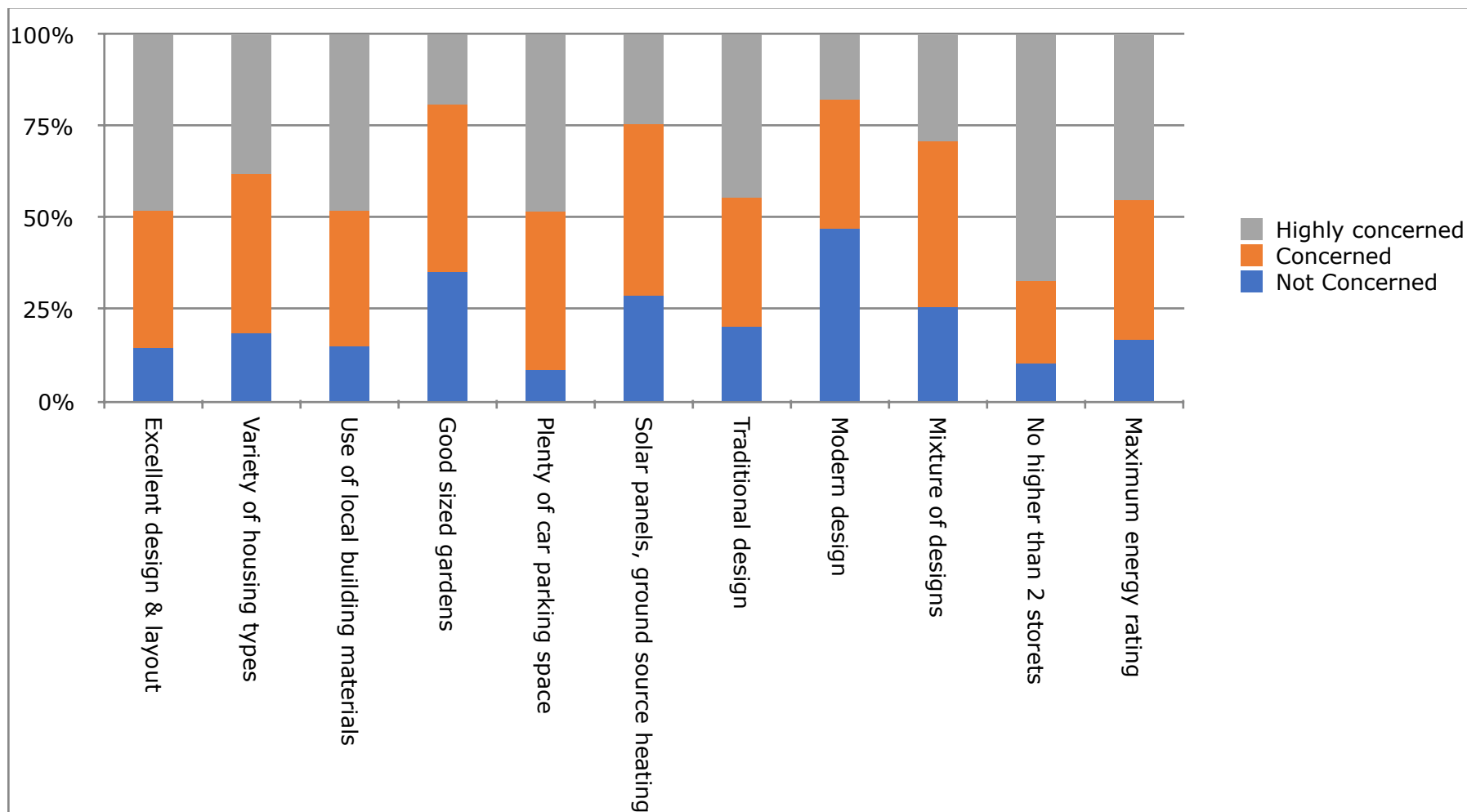
b) Preferred general location of development/s



Summary: Opinion about location of new development tends to express where new build is not wanted rather than where it should be located. On that basis large (15-25 property sites) out of village developments are the least favoured option (70%), closely followed by infill / back development (63%). 3-5 property developments are favoured either inside or outside of the current build line, individually released plots are also relatively popular.

c) Preferred build features.

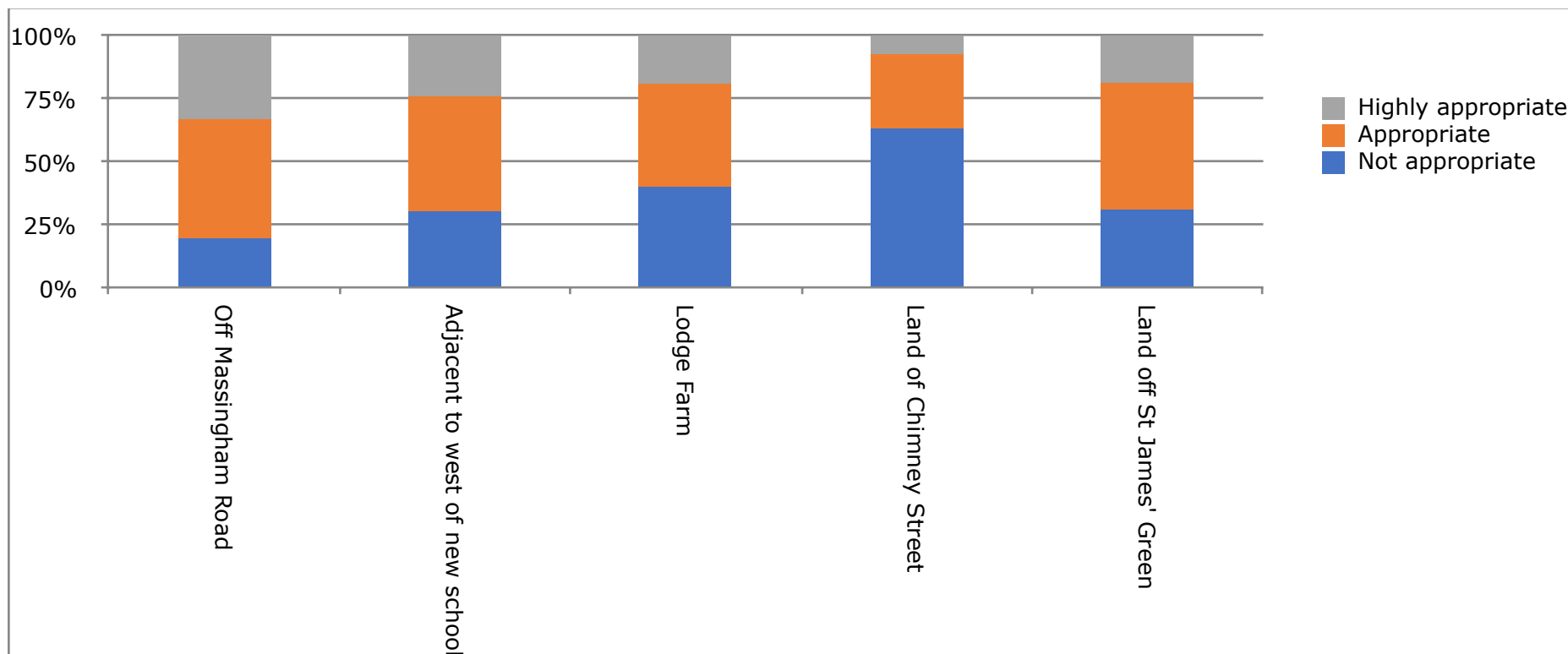
	Not Concerned	Concerned	Highly concerned
Excellent design & layout	55	141	183
Variety of housing types	70	161	144
Use of local building materials	55	138	182
Good sized gardens	133	174	73
Plenty of car parking space	31	167	184
Solar panels, ground source heating	108	180	93
Traditional design	78	133	172
Modern design	171	127	66
Mixture of designs	95	169	109
No higher than 2 storeys	38	85	252
Maximum energy rating	61	142	169



Summary: The area of least importance is modern design whilst the most important feature is buildings of no more than 2 storeys. Parking space is important (92%) Local building materials are favoured as is traditional design. Good and energy efficient design is important to those in the community. Good sized gardens do not appear to be of concern with 35% of respondents saying it is unimportant.

d) Preferred Sites

	Not appropriate	Appropriate	Highly appropriate
Off Massingham Road	75	182	128
Adjacent to west of new school	117	177	93
Lodge Farm	152	155	72
Land of Chimney Street	244	112	30
Land off St James' Green	120	195	72



Summary: For environmental, conservation and access reasons Chimney Street proved the least favoured site.

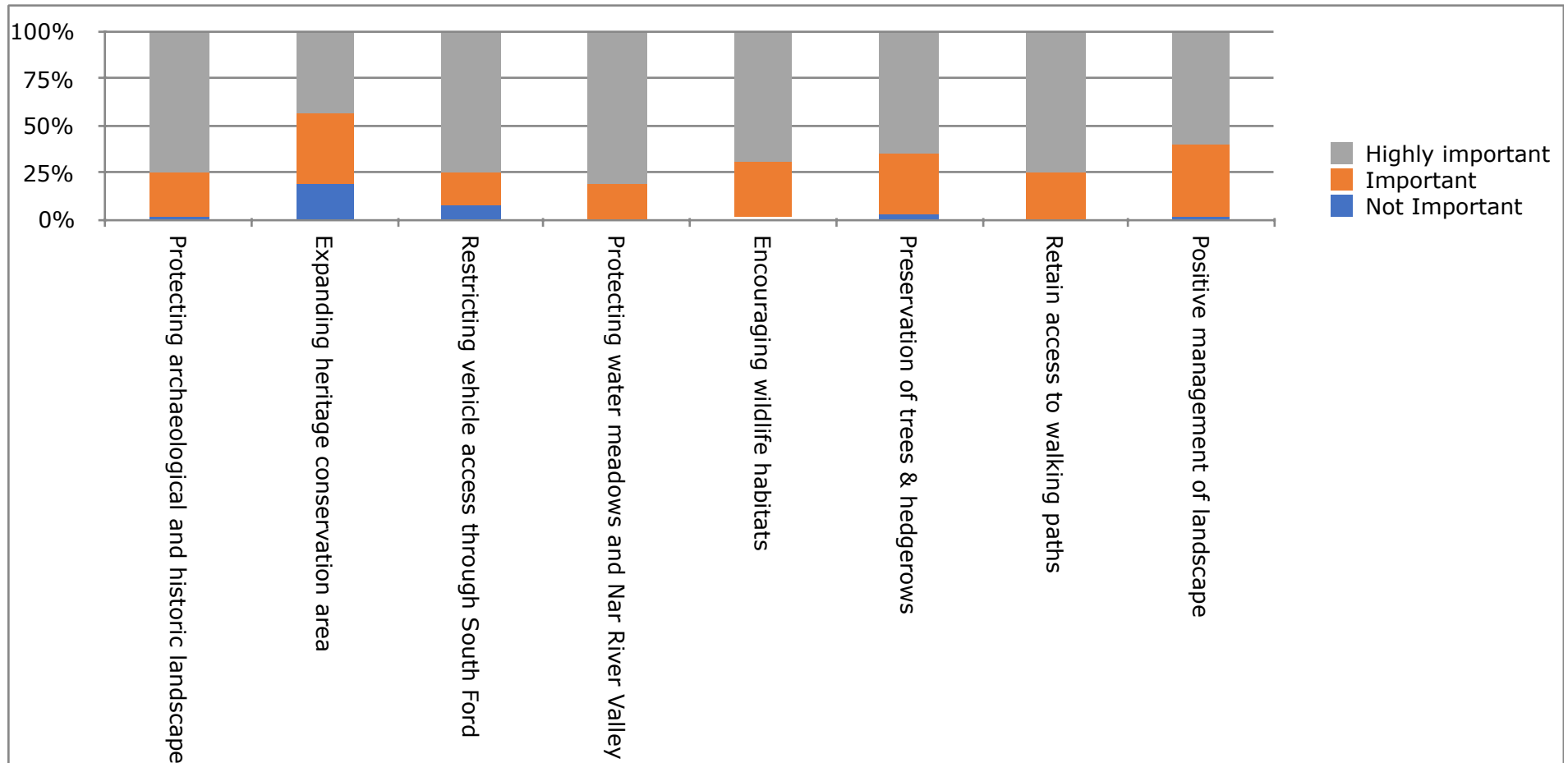
Lodge farm as a site was misunderstood (the questionnaire was misleading regarding the development proposal and this needs clarification).

Of the sites suggested fringe expansion seemed the preferred option although all sites are felt unsuitable by some respondents.

Main concerns are:

- the erosion of the village feel and atmosphere as it increases in size
- the capacity of the village infrastructure, water pressure, sewage, land drainage, etc
- general access and safety issues relating to vehicles

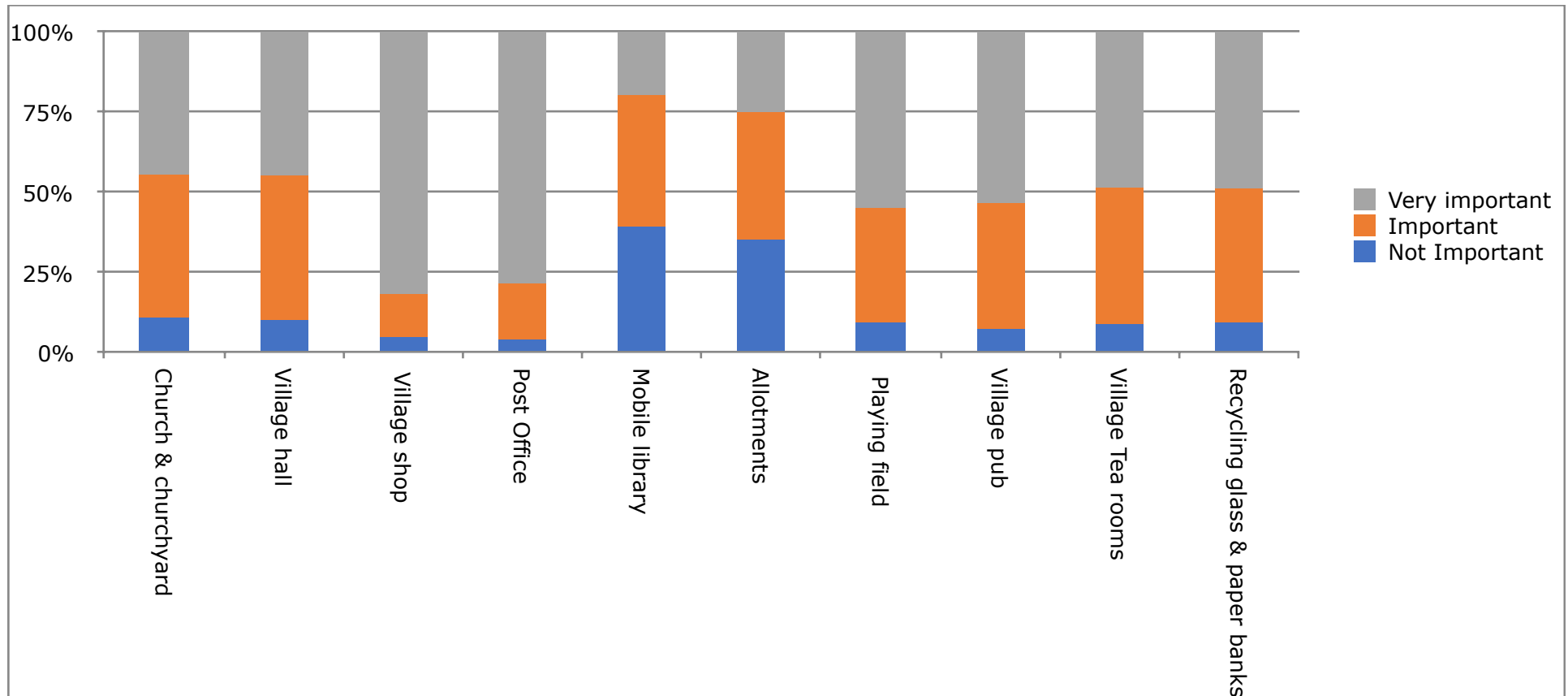
Section Four. Environment



Summary: Ongoing management of the villages environs is a key issue for residents, the Water Meadows, archaeological heritage, tree preservation, footpaths and the protection of wildlife habitats are close to every ones heart. Retaining the current village character, beauty and natural amenities/characteristics are key issues for the residents. Change/s driven by increased housing may not be seen as favourable if they negatively affect the essence of the village.

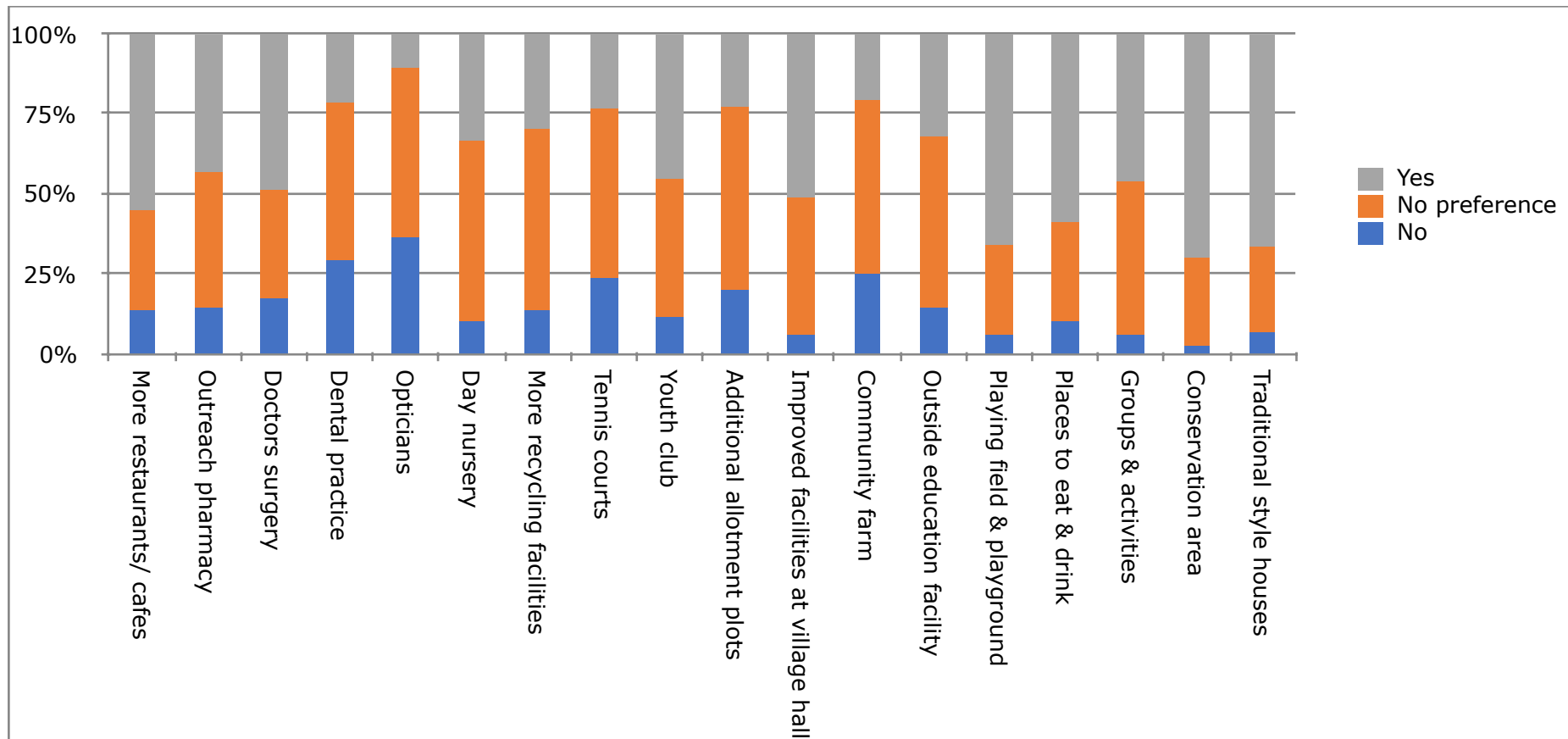
Section Five. Village Facilities.

a) Current usage and importance



Summary: The village shop and post office are viewed as essential and provide excellent service to the village. The playing field pub, village hall, church and tearooms provide service for many although for reasons of personal choice, lifestyle, age, etc, some are more used than others. Again what there is in the village appears to be greatly valued. It is felt that improvement could be made with some amenities/facilities.

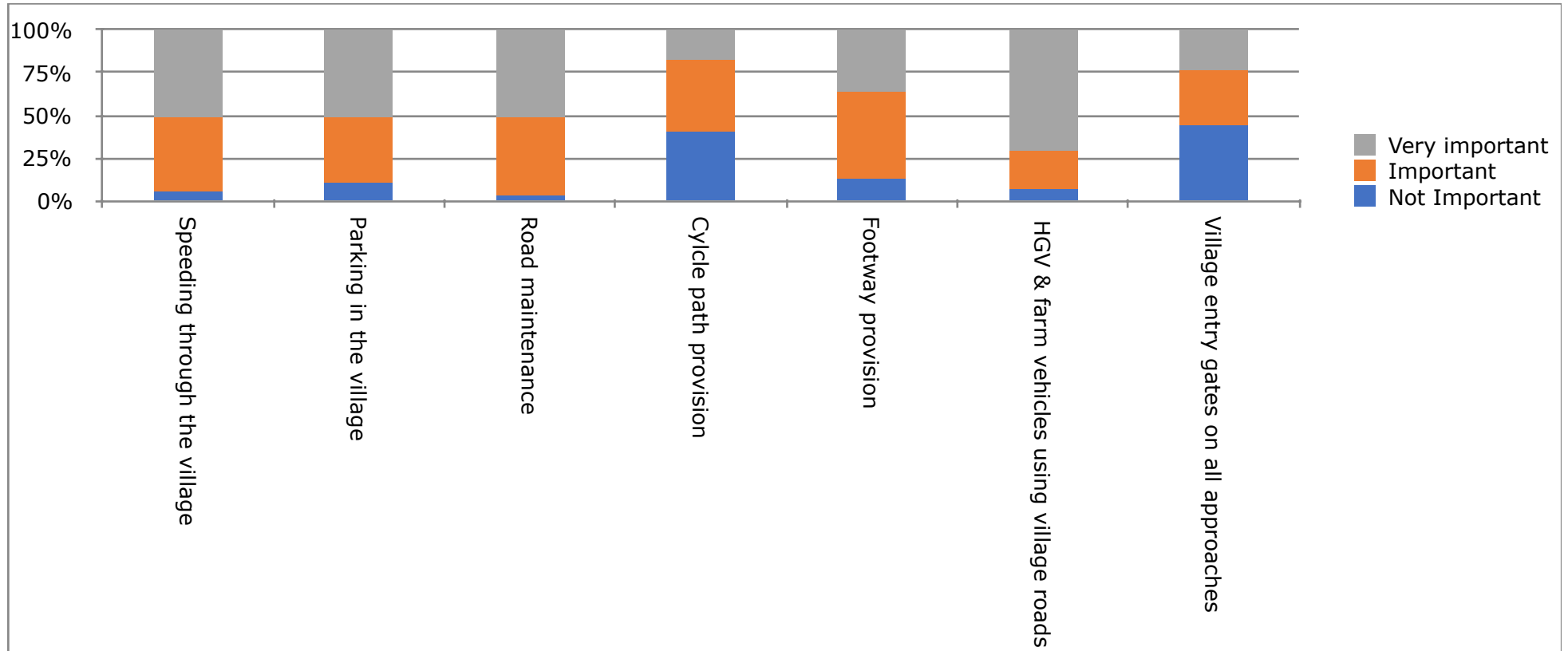
- Possible future provision



Summary: This is a wish list section, but is included to elicit information about the importance of particular facilities/amenities. In the broadest sense most residents would prefer most amenities to be in close proximity to the village. Economic viability, practicality and the impact on the village character may not have been fully considered in these responses. However this set of responses must be viewed as what residents need and value and these amenities ought to be within reasonable distance and have good links with public transport. There is a discussion issue for the community in relation to what constitutes a village, a rural service centre or a small town.

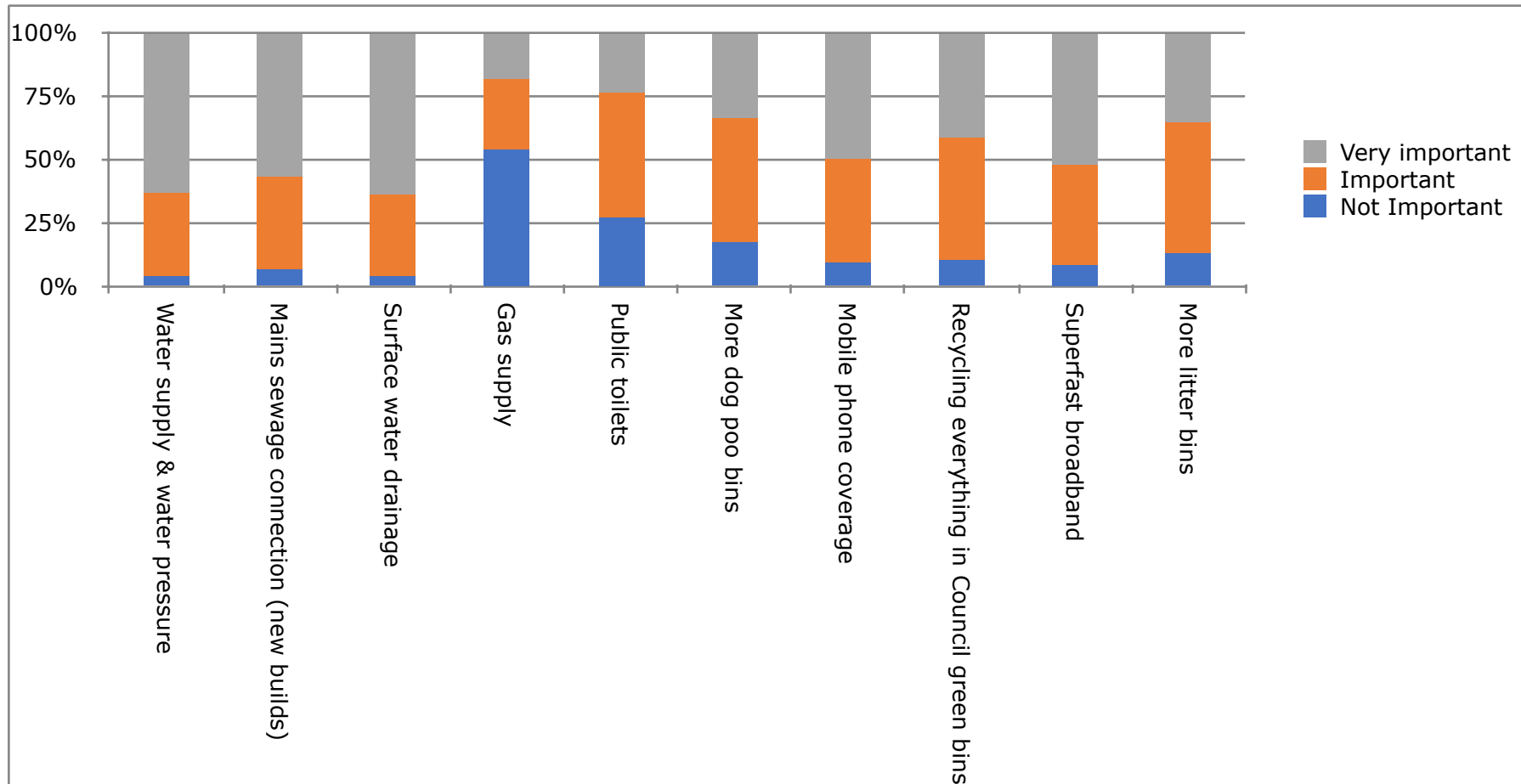
Section Six. Education: *Results need further analysis due to low sample rate. Lack of respondent knowledge.*

Section Seven. Transport



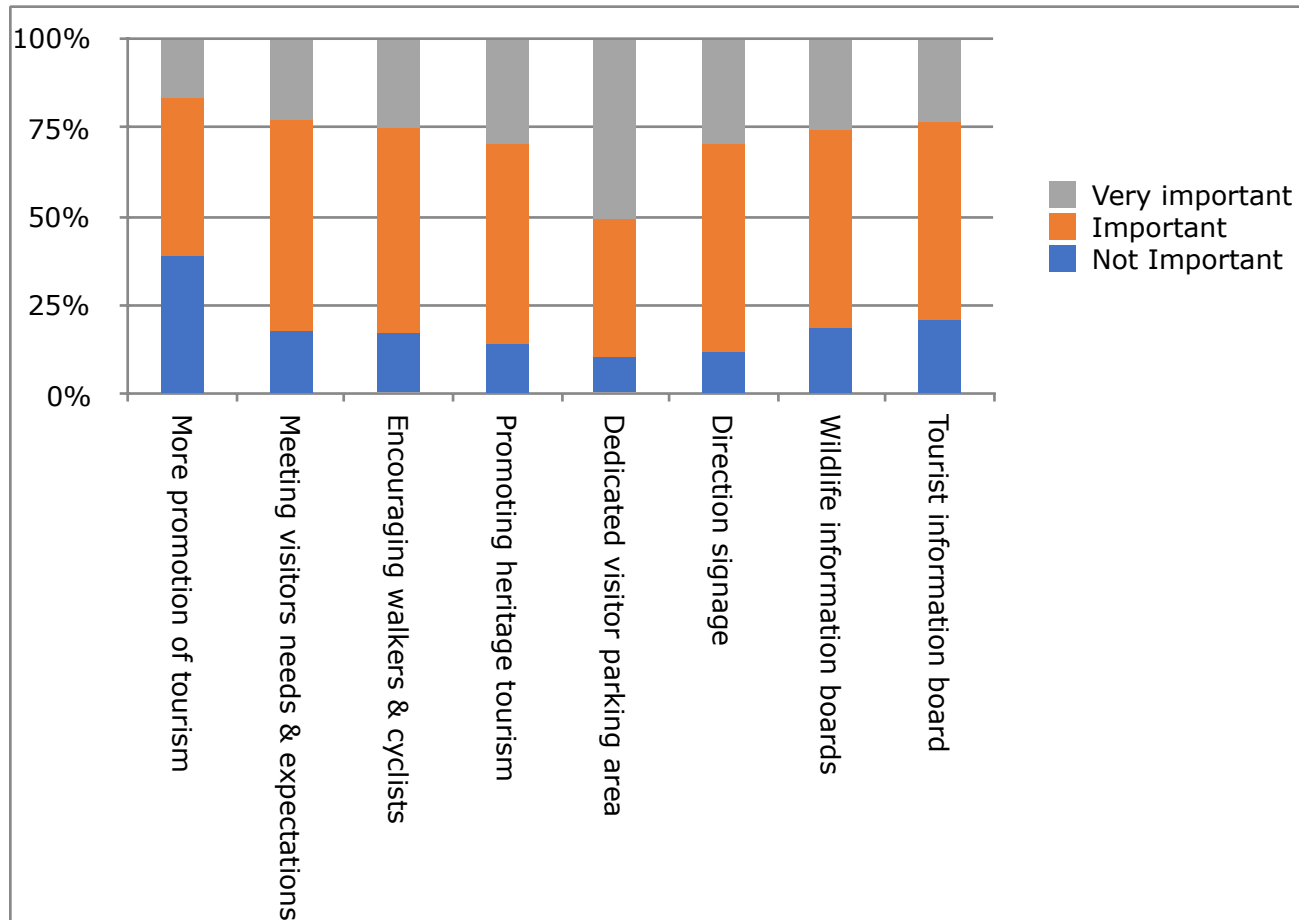
Summary: Village gates and cycle path provision are the least popular areas for development. Although there is a general acceptance that Castle Acre is a rural village it is felt that the use of village centre roads for large farm vehicles is unnecessary, dangerous and damaging on occasions to the fabric of the village. The same is true of heavy goods vehicles that use the village. Road maintenance, speeding and the lack of parking in the village cause concern to many.

Section 8. Infrastructure.



Summary: Of much concern in the village is the infrastructure and its capacity to accommodate building expansion. Water pressure according to some is an issue on occasion as is surface water drainage as drains are at capacity in some areas with flooding becoming more frequent. Gas supply would for some be nice but is not a priority for many, it is accepted that rural (remote location) living necessitates compromise.

Section 9. Visitors and Tourism.

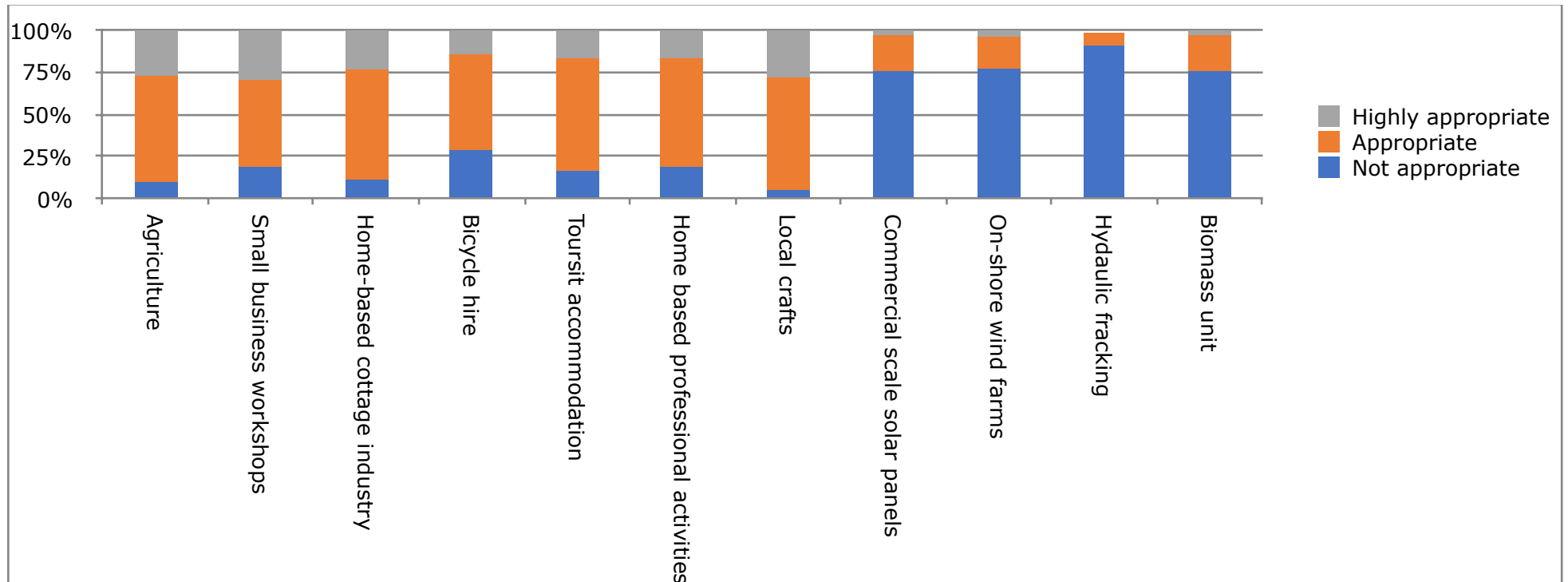


Summary: The results in this section show that the village needs to cater more appropriately for the level of tourism that it currently enjoys. Parking, signage, toilet facilities, eating places, etc, are seen as lacking and hence cause disruption to general village life and may over time deter visitors. There is a feeling that Historic England could do more to support tourism more broadly within the village, especially as Castle Acre accommodates visitors to their key archaeological sites.

Section 10. Business.

a) **Current Business Base.** Responses in this section were not fully represented so information will need gathering via a different method to gain meaningful data.

b) **Possible Future Business Provision**



Summary: The results in this section demonstrate the desire to keep businesses manageable within the context of a historic village. Popular business options focus on small concerns such as working from home, small workshops, tourist accommodation, art studios etc. Large commercial businesses are not considered appropriate due to the environmental impact and the incompatibility with the life of a small village.