

Figures below refer to percentage of the 174 respondents who made the statement.

## Likes

- Pittenweem's strong sense of community (43%).
- Tranquillity and slow pace of life (26%).
- The town's history and beauty as a historic burgh (25%).
- Friendliness and welcoming atmosphere (25%).
- Rural and coastal location and scenery (18%).
- Number and diversity of great places to eat for a small town (17%).
- The fact the working harbour and its fishing remains at its heart (17%).

## Concerns

- Concern about increasing numbers of properties being used for short-term lets and purchased as second homes (43%).
- Perception that the above is impacting the local housing market and access to affordable housing (18%).
- Lack of parking spaces (both for residents and visitors) and associated impacts especially during the summer (21%).
- Upkeep of roads, pavements and wynds, particularly potholes and weeds (19%).

- Dog fouling and littering (15%).
- Speeding on the main road (12%).
- Potential closure of shops and entities (11%).
- Climate change and resilience was mentioned by just 2 people.

## Changes

Suggestions for change included addressing road maintenance issues (11%); increasing the availability of affordable housing (10%); implementing and expanding access to multi-use paths between the East Neuk villages (9%); and repairing and upgrading kids playparks (8%).

Concerns that Pittenweem might lose the community spirit that people so value (5%) could be partly addressed by foregrounding events aimed at the whole community (11%), influenced by the recent Jubilee celebrations. This was supported by suggestions for a positive review of how impacts of the annual Pittenweem Arts Festival could be addressed, and exploring how it could integrate with wider community events and celebrations such as activities for families and kids or a street market (6%). A return of the fireworks display was mentioned (5%).

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**TOTAL NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 174**

Pittenweem Community Council (PCC) is delighted with the strength of response for the recent survey (closed 13th June). Every household received a paper copy. Half of responses were paper and half online. Thanks so much to all who responded.

We wanted to provide an initial update of commment with the highest count, and let you know what will be happening next and when.

## What happens next?

- The full report on the community survey will be available in electronic format by mid-August.
- We will host a launch drop-in at the New Town Hall for people to view hardcopies and share their thoughts with us on 23rd August from 3pm-7pm.
- The PCC have applied for funding to expand the consultation process.
- Dialogue will begin with Fife Council over issues raised.

**Drop-in for the launch of the full report:  
New Town Hall, 23rd August (3pm-7pm)**