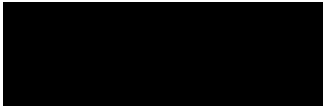


# LWPC Community Governance Questionnaire

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025



# Introduction



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- In February 2025, Little Wenlock Parish Council invited parishioners to take part in an online questionnaire to gain residents feedback on Telford and Wrekin Councils review of Parish and Town council Governance.
- The survey focussed on the potential merging of Little Wenlock with other rural or urban Parish Councils within the surrounding area, and how parishioners would feel they would be best represented.

## Setting the Scene...

Below is the introduction to the survey that was provided to parishioners when completing the survey:

- Little Wenlock Parish Council seeks residents' feedback on the Borough of Telford and Wrekin's review of Parish and Town Council governance (conducted under the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007). The review will determine how many councils represent local communities and their structure.
- In 2024, a proposal to merge Little Wenlock with Wrockwardine and Admaston Parish Council was proposed, and then paused, but will resume in 2025. It is unclear if the same proposal will apply at this time, however we're gathering residents' views so that we can represent parishioners accurately.

# Survey Results

- The survey consisted of 3 x questions, with multiple choice responses.
- A total of 62 Parishioners fully completed the questionnaire
- There were 2 x participants that registered and opened the questionnaire but did not complete.

**NOTE:** These have been excluded from the overall number of responses.

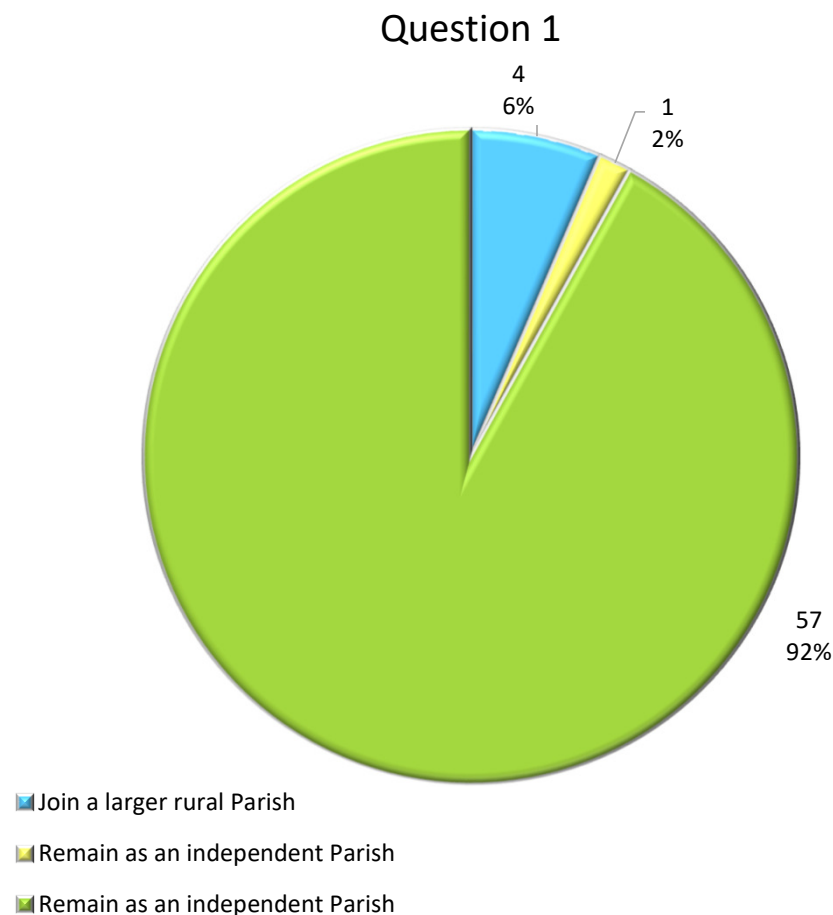


# Survey Results

- Question 1:
- Little Wenlock Parish Council currently represents the local rural communities within its boundaries. A proposal may be put forward to merge it with another parish. Which option do you prefer?

Choices:

- Join a larger rural Parish (4)
- Join a larger mixed urban/rural Parish (1)
- Remain as an independent Parish (57)

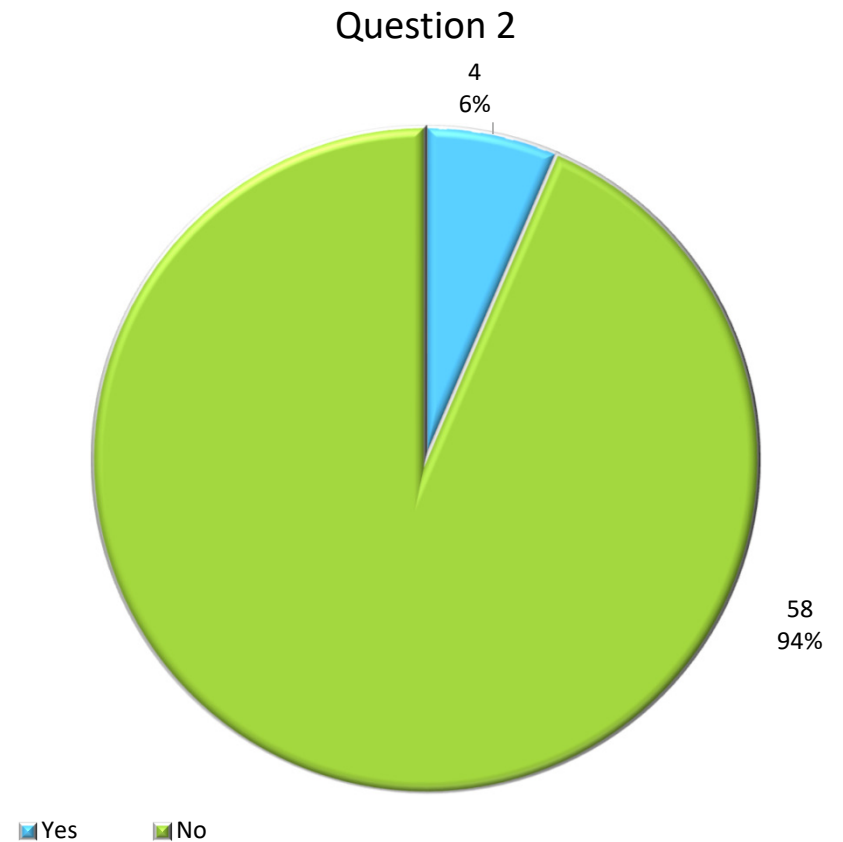


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- Question 2:
- Do you think you would be better represented by belonging to a larger parish?

Choices:

- Yes (4)
- No (58)

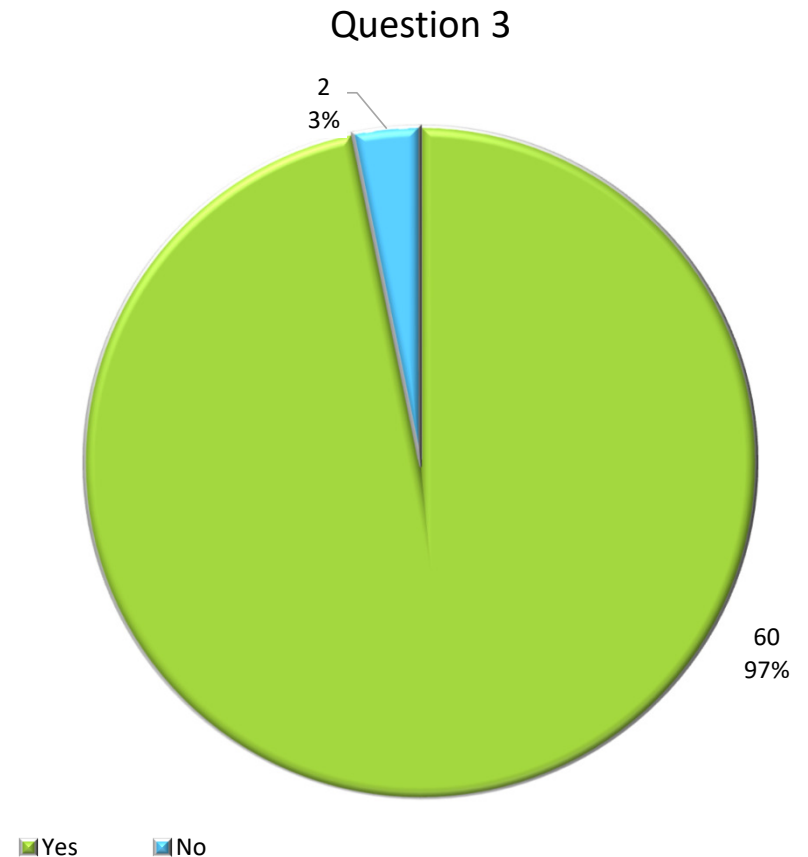


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- Question 3:
- Is it important to you to identify as being a resident of a rural community?

Choices:

- Yes (60)
- No (2)





## Conclusion:

- Based on the results of the questionnaire over 90% of the responses for each question reflect the following:
- Parishioners wish to remain as an independent Parish
- Parishioners feel that they would be better represented by remaining as an independent Parish
- It is important to Parishioners that they are identified as being a resident of a rural community

## Conclusion Footnote



- Little Wenlock Parishioner's have been resolutely clear on their opinion of the original proposal, we sincerely hope that Telford and Wrekin Borough council take note of these responses and amend the proposal accordingly. Our survey has confirmed to us as Rural Parish councillors that our parishioners overwhelmingly identify with our rural status and identity.