



WINDSOR-WEST HANTS SURVEY RESULTS



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1 Introduction

THE WINDSOR-WEST HANTS Joint Planning Advisory Committee conducted a survey in June 2002 as an initial step in the Plan Review process. The six-page survey was distributed by Canada Post as unaddressed admail. Residents were asked to return the completed survey at one of fifteen drop-off points throughout the Town and the Municipality or by mail (no postage was provided).

Table 1 – Drop-off Points

Municipality of the District of West Hants Building
Town of Windsor, W. B. Stephens Building
Sobey's, Windsor
Atlantic Superstore, Windsor
Hants Co-op, Windsor
Avon Emporium, Summerville
Mantua Cash and Carry, Mantua
Savon Food Mart, Cheverie
Falmouth Kwik-Way, Falmouth
Swinimer Convenience Store, Garlands Crossing
Scotch Village Gas and Convenience
Lakeside Variety, Vaughan
Brooklyn Home Hardware
Davison's Ultramar, Ellershous
Windsor Forks Kwik-Way

A contest for two nights stay at the Dundee Resort in Dundee, Cape Breton provided an incentive for people to return their surveys by July 4, 2002. The contest ballots were removed from the main survey form so that no connection could be made between the survey responses and the name of the resident. In cases where the resident included their name for further information, it was recorded in a separate database from their survey responses. Although July 4, 2002 was the final date for entering the contest, surveys returned by the middle of August were included in the final tally.

Table 2 shows the distribution of the survey. The counts of points of call for unaddressed admail are available through the Canada Post website at www.canadapost.ca/cpc2/addrm/hh/default-e.asp. Extra surveys were sent to each post office in case of any discrepancy with the number of points of call.

Table 2 - Survey Distribution

		Canada Post Points of Call	Actual Number of Surveys Distributed
Centre Burlington	B0N 1E0	147	175
Cheverie	B0N 1G0	57	75
Currys Corner	B0N 1H0	124	150
Ellershous	B0N 1L0	587	600
Falmouth	B0P 1P0	1105	1125
Hantsport*	B0P 1P0	372	100
Mount Uniacke*	B0N 1Z0	1544	175
Newport	B0N 2A0	1043	1075
Newport Station	B0N 2T0	130	150
Scotch Village	B0N 2A0	211	225
St Croix	B0N 2E0	110	125
Summerville	B0N 2K0	86	100
Walton*	B0N 2R0	474	300
Windsor	B0N 2T0	3692	3725
TOTAL		9682	8100

*Totals for Hantsport, Mount Uniacke and Walton include areas outside West Hants. Estimates of West Hants households were made using information from the Postmasters and from mailing lists used by the West Hants Waste Coordinator.

2 General Information

PLACE OF RESIDENCE

The returned surveys were tallied based on the response to Question 1 – Where do you live. Some problems arise from this question. First, some people did not respond although the place of residence could sometimes be determined through other answers. Second, it is clear, from both this question and from the contest entry ballots, that people are not always sure of their proper civic addresses in terms of both road names and community names. This may lead to some error in results where someone might write in Avondale while they actually live in Poplar Grove, for example. Overall, however, this makes very little difference to the survey results.

Of the approximately 7655 households in Windsor-West Hants, by the middle of August, 756 people had returned completed surveys for an overall return rate of 9.9 percent. The Town of Windsor had a higher rate of return (12.5% or 168 surveys) than West Hants (9.4% or 588 surveys); however both are considered to be very good return rates for a survey of this type.

With the exception of Falmouth and Upper Falmouth, which are considered separate Planning Areas, for the purpose of tabulating and presenting the survey results several neighbouring communities were grouped together. Table 3 shows the number of surveys returned in each community or area and the percentage that area represents of the total number of surveys returned. The total number of civic addresses in the area is also given, together with the percentage the returned surveys represent of the total for the area. For example, Area 1 includes Leminster, Mill Section, Upper Vaughan and Vaughan. Fifteen surveys were returned in this area, representing two percent of the total 756 surveys returned. Since there are 501 civic addresses, or households, in Area 1, the fifteen surveys represent about three percent of the households in Area 1.

Table 3 - Survey Returns by Community

Area		Surveys Returned	% of Total Returned	Total Number of Civics	% Civics
1	Leminster (2) Mill Section (1) Upper Vaughan (1) Vaughan (11)	15	2.0	501	3.0
2	Upper Falmouth (19)	19	2.5	198	9.6
3	Falmouth (110)	110	14.6	749	14.7
4	Bishopville (1) Hants Border (3) Mount Denson (19)	23	3.0	312	7.4
5	Martock (23) Windsor Forks (10)	33	4.4	297	11.1
6	Currys Corner (6) Garlands Crossing (13) Three Mile Plains (27)	46	6.1	832	5.5

Area		Surveys Returned	% of Total Returned	Total Number of Civics	% Civics
7	Bramber (10) Cambridge (7) Cheverie (9) Kempt Shore (8) Pembroke (3) Summerville (12) Walton (4)	54	7.1	673	8.0
8	Centre Burlington (10) Lower Burlington (4) Upper Burlington (7)	21	2.8	301	7.0
9	Cogmagun (2) Mosherville (4) Scotch Village (19)	25	3.3	223	11.2
10	Avondale (11) Belmont (9) Poplar Grove (4)	24	3.2	200	12.0
11	Brooklyn (35) Mantua (3) Union Corner (5)	43	5.7	463	9.3
12	Greenhill (3) Hillsvale (5) McKay Section (6) Woodville (5)	19	2.5	327	5.8
13	Newport Station (11) St Croix (15)	26	3.4	363	7.2
14	Gypsum Mines (7) Sweets Corner (6) Wentworth Creek (7)	20	2.6	190	10.5
15	Ardoise (20) Ellershouse (19) Newport Corner (9)	48	6.3	616	7.8
Not Specified (62)		62	8.2	0	0
West Hants Total		588	77.8	6245	9.4
Windsor		168	22.2	1345	12.5
Total		756	100.0	7655	9.9

Figure 1 – Area Map

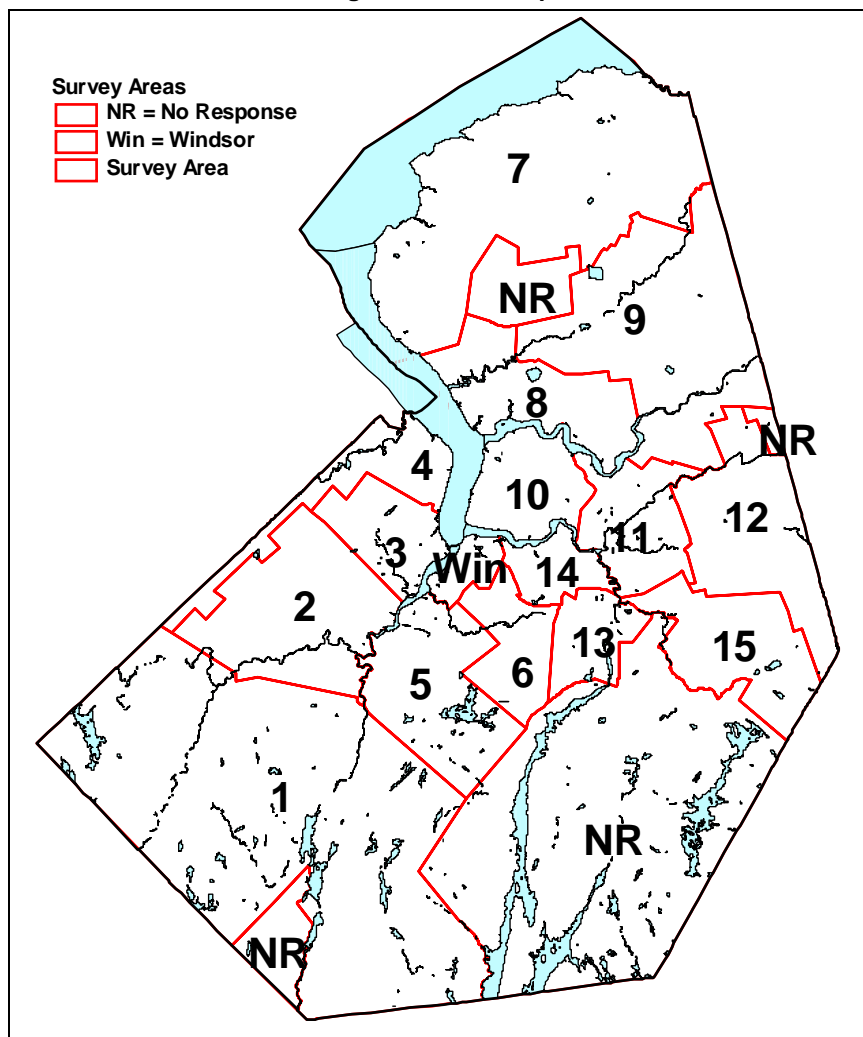


Table 4 – Age of Respondents

Area	<24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
1	0	2	1	5	5	2
2	0	1	2	6	8	2
3	1	10	21	27	32	18
4	0	1	4	6	5	7
5	1	2	5	12	7	6
6	2	3	7	10	15	9
7	1	4	4	14	15	16
8	0	3	4	6	3	5
9	1	1	2	6	10	5
10	0	0	3	7	8	6
11	1	4	5	13	10	9
12	1	1	1	7	6	3
13	0	0	1	11	9	5
14	0	2	2	7	4	5
15	1	6	10	12	12	7
Not Specified	0	4	9	16	15	17
West Hants Total	9	44	81	165	164	122
% of West Hants	1.5	7.5	13.8	28.1	27.9	20.7
Windsor	5	19	22	45	35	40
% of Windsor	3.0	11.3	13.1	26.8	20.8	23.8

AGE

In both Windsor and West Hants, the majority of respondents, over 75 percent in West Hants and over 70 percent in Windsor, were age 45 or older with most being between 45 and 54.

PLACE OF WORK

The survey indicated that over 20 percent of respondents from both Windsor and West Hants were retired. This is reflective of the age groups which responded to the survey. Of those who reported working, about 35 percent of West Hants respondents said they worked in West Hants, and another 20 percent indicated that they worked in Windsor. For Windsor respondents, 55 percent reported working in the town with another 10 percent working in West Hants. The survey results also confirm the large number of people who commute to work outside the area. About 42 percent of West Hants and 31 percent of Windsor respondents said they work outside Windsor-West Hants, with Halifax Regional Municipality representing the biggest employment area. About 26 percent of West Hants and 17 percent of Windsor respondents indicated they travel to Halifax Regional Municipality to work.

Table 5 – Working vs. Retired

Area	Working	Retired	No Response
1	11	3	1
2	13	5	1
3	80	23	7
4	13	10	0
5	20	11	2
6	33	9	4
7	38	11	5
8	17	3	1
9	15	9	1
10	18	6	0
11	27	10	6
12	15	3	1
13	17	9	0
14	12	5	3
15	36	8	4
Not Specified	39	18	5
West Hants Total	404	143	41
% of West Hants	68.7	24.3	7.0
Windsor	124	37	7
% of Windsor	73.8	22.0	4.2

Table 6 – Place of Work

Area	West Hants	Windsor	HRM Downtown	Other HRM	Home	Hants Co	Kings Co	Other
1	7	0	1	2	0	0	0	1
2	8	1	4	0	0	0	0	0
3	22	25	14	8	1	1	6	3
4	1	2	5	1	0	1	2	1
5	8	4	1	0	0	0	3	4
6	8	12	2	3	1	1	4	2
7	18	4	3	2	4	1	3	3
8	4	4	4	1	2	0	0	2
9	9	2	1	1	0	0	0	2
10	4	3	5	4	0	0	1	1
11	9	5	4	2	2	2	2	1

Area	West Hants	Windsor	HRM Downtown	Other HRM	Home	Hants Co	Kings Co	Other
12	5	3	4	1	0	1	0	1
13	11	0	3	0	1	2	0	0
14	5	4	0	1	0	0	2	0
15	3	8	10	8	1	2	1	3
Not Specified	19	6	6	3	0	0	2	3
W. Hants Total	141	83	67	37	12	11	26	27
% of W. Hants	34.9	20.5	16.6	9.2	3.0	2.7	6.4	6.7
Windsor	13	68	14	7	5	4	5	8
% of Windsor	10.5	54.8	11.3	5.6	4.0	3.2	4.0	6.5

3 Residential Development

TYPE OF DWELLING

Single family dwellings were the most common type of dwelling for respondents from both Windsor and West Hants. Respondents from Windsor had more diverse housing types including apartment buildings with more than three units and duplexes. In West Hants there was less diversity in housing types but more mobile and mini homes than in Windsor.

Table 7 – Type of Dwelling

Area	Duplex	3+ unit Apt Bldg	Apt in House	Apt in warehouse	B&B	Mini-home	Mobile	Seniors	SFD	Townhouse
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	14	0
2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	18	0
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	107	0
4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	0
5	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	31	0
6	3	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	38	0
7	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	51	0

Area	Duplex	3+ unit Apt Bldg	Apt in House	Apt in warehouse	B&B	Mini-home	Mobile	Seniors	SFD	Townhouse
8	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	20	0
9	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	0
10	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	23	0
11	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	0	37	0
12	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	18	0
13	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	24	0
14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0
15	0	0	1	0	0	2	7	0	38	0
Not Specified	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	0	57	0
West Hants Total	6	2	4	0	0	3	29	0	540	0
% of West Hants	1.0	0.3	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.5	4.9	0.0	91.8	0.0
Windsor	13	23	8	1	1	0	1	1	117	3
% of Windsor	7.7	13.7	4.8	0.6	0.6	0.0	0.6	0.6	69.6	1.8

LENGTH OF TENURE

Interestingly, the majority of West Hants returns (35.5%) showed that people had lived in the same home for twenty years or more while in Windsor, 40.5 percent had lived in their current home for only one to five years.

Table 8 – Length of Tenure

Area	1-5 yrs	6-10 yrs	11-20 yrs	>20yrs
1	7	0	4	4
2	0	6	6	7
3	37	28	21	24
4	9	4	3	7
5	5	8	6	14
6	13	15	7	11
7	13	9	8	23
8	8	5	2	6
9	4	3	5	13
10	5	5	3	11

Area	1-5 yrs	6-10 yrs	11-20 yrs	>20yrs
11	10	10	8	14
12	1	6	1	11
13	4	5	3	14
14	2	2	3	13
15	13	13	10	12
Not Specified	16	12	9	25
West Hants Total	147	131	99	209
% of West Hants	25.0	22.3	16.8	35.5
Windsor	68	34	23	42
% of Windsor	40.5	20.2	13.7	25.0

INFLUENCING FACTORS

For West Hants respondents, the “quiet, rural setting” far outweighed other factors in influencing their community choice. In fact, over 70 percent indicated that this was a factor in deciding where to live. The other four top influences were the cost of land; family; the large lots; and the proximity to Halifax.

For Windsor respondents, the results were less decisive, but 56 percent said the “small town atmosphere” was an influencing factor. The other top influences were family; close to work; water/sewer services; and the proximity to Halifax.

Space was provided on the survey to write in “other” factors. For West Hants respondents these included: a beautiful view and open feeling due to large view; a good place to live; Avon Valley Golf Club/Tennis-Windsor; born here; business location; central to both workplaces; central to the special areas of the province; character of the people who live here; clinic access, community resources, local organic; close to schools; close to Valley; close to water, beautiful scenery, nice people; close to Windsor; closer to activities for children; dark skies [for star-gazing]; driving distance to KES; elementary school reputation; family home; forest land; good community/neighbourhood; have been living in this neighbourhood for 50 yrs; I lived here all my life; inherited property; work related transfer; it's a lovely place to live; land to garden; location of property, water frontage; Martock Ski Hill; my husband was a farmer; natural beauty; quality of subdivision; Pisiquid aquatic club/ski

hill; privacy low development yet close to small town; proximity to 101; proximity to Greenwood; quality of education/health care; rent; safer environment to raise children; school; spectacular view of Avon River; talk of water and sewer being extended; the people sort of look out for their neighbours; unique character of property; wanted to grow roses; waterfront; and tidal river.

In Windsor, other influencing factors included: affordable century homes; close to doctor and hospital; close to Kings Edgehill School; close to the exit to the 101; excellent fire Dept; family home ; Gladys Manning residence; I have lived in Windsor all of my life; job; manager Apt bldg owned by friend; moved here to start a business; note: lower taxes when bought house; offer from family friend to buy; originally transfer with company; proximity to KES; proximity to water/river; quality schooling; families of similar background; quiet subdivision; retirement; familiar to me when younger; safer to live here than the city; single family residences primarily in area zoned residential; and we think it will grow more with the twinning.

Table 9 – Influencing Factors

Area	Water / Sewer	Close to Work	Cost of Land	Small Town	Family	Lwr Taxes	Large lots	Farming	Shopping	Horses	Quiet, Rural	Halifax
1	0	2	7	3	8	4	3	1	0	1	10	2
2	0	6	10	4	8	7	9	6	1	3	17	3
3	42	47	31	36	48	33	38	13	25	5	65	34
4	0	7	8	5	10	4	10	4	3	1	20	8
5	1	5	19	10	17	7	15	6	4	3	23	11
6	33	20	22	13	19	21	13	4	14	3	27	18
7	1	9	23	10	28	15	11	14	1	4	41	3
8	0	2	13	6	10	8	5	9	0	6	16	5
9	0	3	14	5	8	5	8	9	3	5	22	7
10	0	2	14	7	6	7	7	8	1	0	15	11
11	1	18	20	16	20	15	23	8	8	7	33	19
12	0	3	6	3	9	6	9	3	0	2	13	6
13	0	8	14	5	9	4	8	2	4	1	19	8

Area	Water / Sewer	Close to Work	Cost of Land	Small Town	Family	Lwr Taxes	Large lots	Farming	Shopping	Horses	Quiet, Rural	Halifax
14	5	9	14	7	10	4	7	3	8	2	14	9
15	0	11	29	11	14	13	15	4	1	5	34	17
Not Specified	6	16	25	15	30	18	18	20	10	8	47	17
West Hants Total	89	168	269	156	254	171	199	114	83	56	416	178
% of West Hants	15.1	28.6	45.7	26.5	43.2	29.1	33.8	19.4	14.1	9.5	70.7	30.3
Windsor	47	74	38	95	79	3	11	1	35	2	31	47
% of Windsor	28.0	44.0	22.6	56.5	47.0	1.8	6.5	0.6	20.8	1.2	18.5	28.0

CONCERNS IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

The survey asked respondents to indicate whether issues such as condition and appearance of buildings, nearby businesses, condition of streets/roads/sidewalks, traffic, pedestrian safety, parking or farming were a serious problem, a minor problem or not a problem in their neighbourhood. The condition of streets, roads and sidewalks was by far the biggest concern, with 80 percent of West Hants and 64 percent of Windsor respondents identifying this as either a serious or minor problem. Pedestrian safety, traffic and condition of buildings were also considered concerns. For 30 percent of Windsor respondents and 26 percent of West Hants respondents, pedestrian safety was a minor problem in their neighbourhood; this is in addition to the 16 percent and 17 percent, respectively, who found this to be a serious problem. Roughly one-quarter of the respondents from each unit also listed traffic and condition of buildings as a minor problem while 10 to 20 percent found these to be serious problems. Nearby businesses, parking and farming were not a concern to most of those who responded to the survey.

Table 10 – Neighbourhood Concerns

Area	Cond of Bldgs			Nearby Business			Condition of Sts/Rds/Sidewalks			Traffic		
	Serious Problem	Minor Problem	No Problem	Serious Problem	Minor Problem	No Problem	Serious Problem	Minor Problem	No Problem	Serious Problem	Minor Problem	No Problem
1	3	3	7	1	1	11	11	2	1	2	3	7
2	1	2	11	1	1	10	12	6	1	3	5	6
3	2	17	73	2	10	75	34	51	19	11	24	57
4	1	6	12	0	1	16	4	9	6	1	2	14
5	6	8	15	4	3	21	21	6	5	5	9	16
6	10	14	18	3	2	28	21	15	5	3	16	19
7	8	14	24	2	4	32	42	5	6	1	12	26
8	2	7	8	0	3	11	14	3	2	1	5	11
9	1	7	14	0	1	20	14	5	4	4	8	11
10	1	7	13	4	1	13	14	5	4	0	3	16
11	4	10	24	0	5	30	22	11	7	9	9	21
12	3	6	10	0	1	15	10	5	3	2	3	12
13	8	6	8	1	2	15	17	6	2	5	3	11
14	2	6	9	1	2	13	14	4	0	10	4	5
15	3	12	25	2	4	32	25	11	8	3	11	24
Not Specified	4	22	31	0	4	44	27	28	4	6	19	25
W. Hants Total	59	147	302	21	45	386	302	172	77	66	136	281
% of W. Hants	10.0	25.0	51.4	3.6	7.7	65.6	51.4	29.3	13.1	11.2	23.1	47.8
Windsor	28	45	79	9	22	113	41	66	49	33	44	73
% of Windsor	16.7	26.8	47.0	5.4	13.1	67.3	24.4	39.3	29.2	19.6	26.2	43.5

Area	Pedestrian Safety			Parking			Farming		
	Serious Problem	Minor Problem	No Problem	Serious Problem	Minor Problem	No Problem	Serious Problem	Minor Problem	No Problem
1	1	4	8	0	1	11	0	1	11
2	2	5	6	1	0	12	1	0	10
3	18	29	47	2	4	80	2	2	79
4	2	5	10	0	0	17	0	0	17

Area	Pedestrian Safety			Parking			Farming		
	Serious Problem	Minor Problem	No Problem	Serious Problem	Minor Problem	No Problem	Serious Problem	Minor Problem	No Problem
5	5	5	18	1	2	23	2	2	23
6	7	19	12	0	1	33	1	1	31
7	7	13	21	1	1	33	1	1	36
8	3	6	8	0	0	15	0	0	16
9	4	4	14	1	0	21	0	1	20
10	3	7	9	1	1	16	3	0	14
11	14	14	10	1	5	30	2	3	32
12	1	6	9	0	0	16	0	0	16
13	4	7	8	0	0	17	0	0	18
14	7	6	6	0	2	12	0	1	13
15	6	10	24	0	0	38	1	0	38
Not Specified	12	16	19	1	5	40	0	6	42
West Hants Total	96	156	229	9	22	414	13	18	416
% of West Hants	16.3	26.5	38.9	1.5	3.7	70.4	2.2	3.1	70.7
Windsor	28	50	72	16	31	97	3	7	118
% of Windsor	16.7	29.8	42.9	9.5	18.5	57.7	1.8	4.2	70.2

Respondents were given the opportunity to include other issues which were of concern to them. Respondents from West Hants made comments about the following concerns: animal control; ban pesticides and herbicides; biking routes; city people not used to country life; clear cutting; lack of appreciation for agricultural community; coyotes; derelict vehicles; ditches dug too deep and full of stale water; flooding if the river becomes tidal; forestry co using vision for forestry mgmt; groups of teens hanging around; heavy fertilizing of farmland; horse barn in back of my property; lack of fire/emergency services; lack of trails network to enable safe riding; littering; logging trucks; loss of agricultural land; maintenance of skate board park; motorized bikes, 4-wheelers, skidoos on road; municipal ambiguity; municipal zoning; need 4-way stop at store on Falmouth Back Rd; no municipal water and sewage; no sidewalks, busy roads; no sign for Sterling road; no street lighting; no summer hockey; noise at nights of tractors; loud music and squealing tires; open burning; golf course; parking on highway; open pit mining; over-development;

plowing; poor snow removal on Gabriel Rd; poor/inadequate road system/conditions; possibility of mobile home going next door - value; quality of water; residential housing looks like junkyards; condition of yards; security/break-ins; speeding traffic; too high taxes and treatment of weeds and trees along roads.

Windsor respondents mentioned the following issues as also being concerns in their neighbourhood: barking dogs and cats on loose; behaviour of tenants in nearby apartments; Chestnut St - only one sidewalk; hard in Winter; ditching along street; evening traffic; Gerrish surely isn't wheelchair friendly; lack of maintenance by town; lawn pesticides; Lilac hedge near KES; more sidewalks required; need better crosswalks; noise - bars; theft of lawn embellishments; old cars, wheels off; Payzant/Wentworth intersection; rezoning from R-1 to Multiunit; sewer backups; some 4-way stops; speeding; street marking; trash everywhere; undeveloped vacant land; unruly juveniles; unsightly premises should be checked and vandalism.

TYPE OF RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

The survey found that those who responded were quite specific about the type of residential development they want to see happen in their community, however, a significant number of people did not respond to this question as shown in Table 12 which explains why the percentages for each housing type do not add up to 100 percent. Windsor respondents felt that single family dwellings, duplexes and senior citizens' homes were acceptable in the town while those from West Hants felt that only single family dwellings and senior citizens' homes were acceptable. Both Windsor and West Hants respondents indicated little support for any type of apartment building whether it was houses converted to apartments or apartment buildings regardless of size.

Table 11 – Type of Residential Development Desired

Area	SFD		Duplex		Apt. Convert		Mobile Home		Mobile Home Park	
	E*	D**	E	D	E	D	E	D	E	D
1	12	1	4	8	1	12	2	10	3	10
2	12	4	0	11	0	14	1	11	0	12
3	96	6	27	48	5	72	9	66	7	69
4	17	2	3	12	0	16	1	14	0	15

Area	SFD		Duplex		Apt. Convert		Mobile Home		Mobile Home Park	
	E*	D**	E	D	E	D	E	D	E	D
5	27	2	6	14	0	21	3	16	1	19
6	42	0	24	12	2	30	8	26	5	27
7	37	1	14	11	2	24	4	21	9	15
8	19	1	6	9	3	12	2	12	7	8
9	21	1	11	4	2	12	5	9	6	8
10	19	2	8	8	1	15	3	13	4	12
11	39	1	17	16	3	32	6	26	6	28
12	16	0	7	7	1	14	2	12	2	10
13	23	0	11	6	1	13	5	13	4	12
14	15	2	6	10	0	15	0	14	1	13
15	38	2	14	16	7	23	7	22	8	21
Not Specified	56	2	22	24	3	40	6	40	7	32
West Hants Total	489	27	180	216	31	365	64	325	70	311
% of West Hants	83.2	4.6	30.6	36.7	5.3	62.1	10.9	55.3	11.9	52.9
Windsor	140	3	81	34	5	111	35	88	9	108
% of Windsor	83.3	1.8	48.2	20.2	3.0	66.1	20.8	52.4	5.4	64.3

* E = Encourage ** D = Discourage

Area	Mini-Home		Mini-home Park		3-4 unit Apt Bldg		5-10 unit Apt Bldg		11+ unit Apt Bldg	
	E	D	E	D	E	D	E	D	E	D
1	4	9	1	10	0	12	0	12	1	12
2	2	11	0	13	0	13	0	13	0	14
3	13	62	10	69	4	73	2	74	5	68
4	2	13	2	13	2	13	1	14	1	14
5	8	14	3	17	2	18	1	19	2	19
6	12	18	8	24	5	28	3	28	5	26
7	13	9	4	23	0	26	1	26	3	22
8	9	5	2	13	2	13	1	14	1	12
9	9	6	2	11	1	12	1	12	2	12
10	7	8	0	16	0	17	1	16	1	14
11	13	21	5	26	1	30	1	30	2	29
12	6	5	1	13	2	13	1	13	1	11
13	8	7	2	15	0	17	0	17	2	12
14	3	11	2	14	0	14	0	14	2	13

Area	Mini-Home		Mini-home Park		3-4 unit Apt Bldg		5-10 unit Apt Bldg		11+ unit Apt Bldg	
	E	D	E	D	E	D	E	D	E	D
15	16	15	12	20	1	27	0	28	6	22
Not Specified	14	28	6	43	3	46	4	45	7	35
West Hants Total	139	242	60	340	23	372	17	375	41	335
% of West Hants	23.6	41.2	10.2	57.8	3.9	63.3	2.9	63.8	7.0	57.0
Windsor	21	93	47	65	33	75	26	86	13	101
% of Windsor	12.5	55.4	28.0	38.7	19.6	44.6	15.5	51.2	7.7	60.1

Area	Low Cost Rental		Low Cost Owned		Seniors Facility		Cottage		Townhouse	
	E	D	E	D	E	D	E	D	E	D
1	1	11	4	8	6	4	10	1	1	10
2	1	12	3	10	5	10	3	9	0	12
3	8	68	19	59	55	24	13	57	17	57
4	2	14	2	12	12	6	4	11	3	14
5	5	16	8	13	13	8	4	15	4	17
6	13	22	15	16	25	9	11	21	14	18
7	12	16	21	11	33	4	27	6	3	22
8	7	8	11	4	12	3	12	3	3	10
9	7	8	9	7	7	8	9	7	6	10
10	6	9	9	7	11	4	9	7	3	13
11	3	28	11	21	25	8	16	16	6	26
12	3	11	6	8	10	4	5	7	2	11
13	4	12	5	10	13	5	5	9	3	10
14	1	14	3	12	7	7	2	11	4	11
15	12	20	18	14	23	9	16	12	6	21
Not Specified	8	34	20	24	31	16	19	25	8	32
West Hants Total	93	303	164	236	288	129	165	217	83	294
% of West Hants	15.8	51.5	27.9	40.1	49.0	21.9	28.1	36.9	14.1	50.0
Windsor	37	83	47	72	94	32	22	84	52	59
% of Windsor	22.0	49.4	28.0	42.9	56.0	19.0	13.1	50.0	31.0	35.1

Table 12 – No Response to Type of Residential Development

	SFDs	2 Family Dwellings	Houses Converted	Mobile Homes	MHPs	Mini-Homes	Mini-home Parks
W. Hants Total	72	192	199	207	192	207	212
% of W. Hants	12.2	32.7	33.8	35.2	32.7	35.2	36.1
Windsor	25	53	45	51	52	54	54
% of Windsor	14.9	31.5	26.8	30.4	31.0	32.1	32.1
Total	97	245	244	258	244	261	266
% of Total	12.8	32.4	32.3	34.1	32.3	34.5	35.2

	3-4 units	5-10 units	11+ units	Low Cost Rented	Low Cost Owned	Seniors	Cottages	Townhouses
W. Hants Total	188	193	196	192	188	171	206	211
% of W. Hants	32.0	32.8	33.3	32.7	32.0	29.1	35.0	35.9
Windsor	56	60	56	48	49	42	62	57
% of Windsor	33.3	35.7	33.3	28.6	29.2	25.0	36.9	33.9
Total	244	253	252	240	237	213	268	268
% of Total	32.3	33.5	33.3	31.7	31.3	28.2	35.4	35.4

ACCEPTABLE ACTIVITIES

Residents of West Hants indicated that they were open to a wide range of uses in their neighbourhood. In Windsor, only home-based businesses and bed and breakfasts were acceptable to over half of the respondents while churches, schools, day cares, and professional offices were acceptable to over a third. In Windsor, 18 percent of respondents felt that none of the non-residential uses listed were acceptable in their neighbourhood. Only five percent of West Hants respondents picked that response. In West Hants, over half of respondents felt that home-based businesses, day cares, bed and breakfasts, farms, farm markets, craft stores, convenience stores and churches were acceptable in their neighbourhood.

Other uses acceptable to over a third of West Hants respondents were professional offices, service stations and schools. Some people took the opportunity to write in more suggestions which included: anything anyone wants; cafes and fine dining; community park; culturally and ecologically based business; drug store; eco-tourism - kayaking, cycling; fire station; golf course; campground; greenhouses; good restaurant; indoor pool; larger shopping mall; laundromat; more small parks; need variety store and soft water; no signs; indoor recreation complex; recreation site; rural business supported to provide local services; senior citizens housing; theatre - performance; art galleries; Tim Horton's; banking machine; too little, too late: no post office, rail, buses; tourism related businesses; tourist accommodations; tourist shops down by water; town should provide specific space for vendors; what business would want to open here; and a youth activity centre.

Table 13 – Acceptable Non-Residential Uses

Area	Home Occup.	Prof Office	Daycare	B&B	Farm Op	Business Office	Service Station	School	Farm Market	Arts& Crafts	Convenience	Church	None
1	13	5	9	11	9	3	7	6	9	8	9	11	0
2	13	1	4	13	15	1	4	4	11	10	8	10	0
3	68	36	48	76	65	26	37	59	64	56	61	63	5
4	13	8	10	15	14	4	5	5	12	10	10	12	3
5	24	8	13	17	25	7	15	14	21	18	17	16	3
6	27	13	18	22	25	8	20	24	27	19	31	23	2
7	39	19	37	42	32	13	34	32	34	38	38	31	3
8	17	8	12	15	16	7	12	11	13	13	14	12	1
9	18	9	12	14	20	8	13	10	17	12	18	18	0
10	17	9	14	21	20	9	12	11	19	17	17	20	0
11	37	28	30	37	33	22	25	29	32	29	33	33	1
12	15	6	13	14	14	5	4	6	13	11	13	11	0
13	21	9	11	19	15	6	12	16	15	17	17	17	0
14	15	8	8	10	11	4	6	6	7	8	9	9	1
15	30	17	24	28	23	11	19	18	23	21	29	27	5

Area	Home Occup.	Prof Office	Daycare	B&B	Farm Op	Business Office	Service Station	School	Farm Market	Arts& Crafts	Convenience	Church	None
Not Specified	44	24	32	43	40	18	25	30	34	36	35	35	4
W. Hants Total	411	208	295	397	377	152	250	281	351	323	359	348	28
% of W. Hants	69.9	35.4	50.2	67.5	64.1	25.9	42.5	47.8	59.7	54.9	61.1	59.2	4.8
Windsor	99	72	63	101	16	41	29	59	41	52	50	59	30
% of Windsor	58.9	42.9	37.5	60.1	9.5	24.4	17.3	35.1	24.4	31.0	29.8	35.1	17.9

RESIDENTIAL BUSINESSES

Just over 14 percent of Windsor and 17 percent of West Hants respondents indicated that they operated a home-based business. The range of activities reported was great including: auto dealer; auto body shop; bed and breakfast; babysitting in my own home; business office; carpentry, most done on-site; construction; convenience store; day care; dj service; electrical service; Farm/house plans; farm; flower farm market; golf course; greenhouse; hairdresser; hobby farm; home workshop; horse farm; piano tuning and repair; post office; riding stable; service station and trucking.

Table 14 – Operation of Home Businesses

Area	Yes	No
1	5	10
2	4	15
3	17	93
4	4	19
5	5	28
6	5	41
7	14	40
8	4	17
9	5	20
10	5	19

Area	Yes	No
11	5	38
12	2	17
13	5	21
14	3	17
15	3	45
Not Specified	14	48
West Hants Total	100	488
% of West Hants	17.0	83.0
Windsor	24	144
% of Windsor	14.3	85.7

RENTAL HOUSING

The question of need for rental housing did not provide very conclusive answers. The majority of respondents did not know if more rental housing units were necessary in any area of Windsor and West Hants.

Table 15 – Need for Rental Units

Area	Windsor			West Hants		
	Yes	No	Don't Know	Yes	No	Don't Know
1	5	1	7	3	3	8
2	3	3	13	2	6	10
3	19	14	61	12	30	58
4	4	1	15	1	3	18
5	11	3	15	9	6	15
6	17	5	19	14	10	19
7	8	1	38	20	12	22
8	2	3	13	2	5	13
9	6	4	14	7	4	12
10	9	2	10	7	5	11
11	14	4	19	12	11	17
12	4	0	14	5	4	8
13	2	2	18	4	1	18
14	6	3	9	4	4	10
15	11	4	25	11	8	27
Not Specified	12	8	32	10	16	33

Area	Windsor			West Hants		
	Yes	No	Don't Know	Yes	No	Don't Know
West Hants Total	133	58	322	123	128	299
% of West Hants	22.6	9.9	54.8	20.9	21.8	50.9
Windsor	50	42	71	37	11	76
% of Windsor	29.8	25.0	42.3	22.0	6.5	45.2

WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD?

Many responses to this question reflected the answers which were given in Question 6 – What factors influenced your choice to live in this community? For West Hants respondents, the factors mentioned most often were: private, quiet; nice neighbours; and rural atmosphere. For Windsor respondents the main factors were: small town atmosphere, good neighbours; friendly and quiet.

WHAT DO YOU DISLIKE ABOUT YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD?

Respondents from Windsor had a great variety of concerns, however, the items mentioned most often were traffic, mainly speeding, and the poor condition or upkeep of properties. Sidewalks, whether lacking altogether or in poor condition, were another common concern. High taxes and condition of roads were mentioned by some respondents, and a number of people disliked apartment buildings generally.

Overall, the most common dislikes mentioned by West Hants respondents were the poor condition of roads, unsightly properties and derelict vehicles. Other comments were more specific to the community; for example, respondents from Avondale, Belmont and Brooklyn were concerned with the gypsum mining operation. Respondents from Brooklyn, Falmouth and Mount Denson mentioned the lack of municipal water and sewer services. Falmouth respondents also referred to heavy traffic, including trucks, and the lack of sidewalks. Respondents from the Shore communities of Bramber, Cambridge, Cheverie and Summerville mentioned the need for seniors' housing. The lack of sidewalks and placement of mobile and mini homes were considered to be issues in Garlands Crossing and Three Mile Plains. Many respondents from Scotch Village felt mosquitoes were a problem in that area.

4 Commercial Development

SHOPPING

Question 14 asked where people did their shopping. In most cases, the respondents picked more than one option which accounts for the totals adding up to more than 100 percent. Most people do their grocery shopping in Windsor, 93 percent of West Hants respondents and almost 99 percent of Windsor respondents. For both Windsor and West Hants, clothes were purchased in the Halifax area; however, this is followed closely by New Minas and Windsor. Most often, home repair items were purchased in Windsor, although residents of West Hants also picked West Hants as a main source for building supplies. The location of auto purchases seems to be more diverse and many people indicated that their choice is based on best price rather than location of the dealer. Household furniture and appliances were mostly purchased in Windsor with Halifax being the next most common source.

Table 16 – Sources for Shopping

Area	Groceries				Clothing				Home repair			
	HRM	New Minas	West Hants	Windsor	HRM	New Minas	West Hants	Windsor	HRM	New Minas	West Hants	Windsor
1	1	1	0	14	10	5	1	6	2	1	4	11
2	1	1	2	17	11	11	1	10	1	1	6	13
3	0	1	5	104	78	64	1	25	6	5	24	85
4	4	5	2	21	11	15	2	8	4	5	4	18
5	1	3	0	33	25	20	1	10	4	3	7	27
6	1	2	2	42	29	22	0	14	4	1	11	33
7	3	2	3	54	28	23	0	19	5	2	20	34
8	3	0	1	19	15	6	0	3	4	1	11	10
9	2	2	2	24	11	10	2	9	2	2	17	10
10	3	1	3	24	14	11	5	11	3	2	17	16
11	2	1	6	40	28	18	1	9	4	1	24	18
12	5	0	1	13	15	5	1	3	4	2	7	8
13	2	1	0	23	19	11	0	9	5	1	6	20
14	1	0	0	19	12	9	1	7	0	0	9	13

Area	Groceries				Clothing				Home repair			
	HRM	New Minas	West Hants	Windsor	HRM	New Minas	West Hants	Windsor	HRM	New Minas	West Hants	Windsor
15	15	3	2	43	37	14	1	8	13	2	17	25
Not Specified	4	0	6	57	38	21	8	24	9	7	26	39
West Hants Total	48	23	35	547	381	265	25	175	70	36	210	380
% of West Hants	8.2	3.9	6.0	93.0	64.8	45.1	4.3	29.8	11.9	6.1	35.7	64.6
Windsor	3	1	0	166	98	70	1	70	14	9	10	146
% of Windsor	1.8	0.6	0.0	98.8	58.3	41.7	0.6	41.7	8.3	5.4	6.0	86.9

Area	Auto Sales				Furniture				Appliances			
	HRM	New Minas	West Hants	Windsor	HRM	New Minas	West Hants	Windsor	HRM	New Minas	West Hants	Windsor
1	3	3	2	8	3	4	2	10	3	4	2	11
2	6	6	3	4	7	4	2	13	5	4	1	16
3	26	14	17	48	37	30	5	62	34	22	3	77
4	4	6	4	10	8	7	3	12	8	5	5	15
5	12	9	2	25	19	9	0	21	18	10	0	22
6	14	5	4	23	16	11	0	30	11	8	0	34
7	20	11	15	19	15	14	2	29	13	12	2	39
8	9	4	3	4	10	4	2	9	8	4	3	11
9	7	3	4	8	7	7	3	12	4	5	6	15
10	9	5	4	8	5	6	4	14	5	7	7	15
11	15	5	7	14	16	10	6	25	17	7	7	24
12	9	2	2	4	8	0	2	7	11	1	2	8
13	5	5	3	10	15	6	3	14	10	8	2	19
14	5	1	4	10	6	4	1	12	5	5	1	15
15	26	9	3	13	25	9	3	24	24	6	3	27
Not Specified	22	7	12	29	22	9	5	44	19	9	8	48
West Hants Total	192	95	89	237	219	134	43	338	195	117	52	396
% of West Hants	32.7	16.2	15.1	40.3	37.2	22.8	7.3	57.5	33.2	19.9	8.8	67.3
Windsor	41	22	21	84	39	31	3	126	34	27	1	135

Area	Auto Sales				Furniture				Appliances			
	HRM	New Minas	West Hants	Windsor	HRM	New Minas	West Hants	Windsor	HRM	New Minas	West Hants	Windsor
% of Windsor	24.4	13.1	12.5	50.0	23.2	18.5	1.8	75.0	20.2	16.1	0.6	80.4

NEW BUSINESSES

The majority of respondents from both Windsor and West Hants indicated that new businesses should locate in existing buildings downtown, existing mall space and in the industrial parks. About one third of respondents from both Windsor and West Hants also chose Wentworth Road and new buildings in downtown Windsor as possibilities for new commercial development. It is interesting that just less than a third of West Hants respondents chose Brooklyn as a location for new commercial development while only 16 percent chose Falmouth, 14 percent chose Three Mile Plains and 20 percent chose Garlands Crossing.

Table 17 – Preferred Location for New Businesses

Area	Existing Bldgs Downtown	Existing Mall Space	Industrial Parks	Wentworth Rd	New Bldgs Downtown	Brooklyn	O'Brien St	Garlands Crossing	Falmouth	Three Mile Plains
1	12	13	12	8	7	1	6	3	4	1
2	19	18	14	5	3	2	4	4	4	2
3	93	88	70	31	42	9	14	11	17	8
4	21	20	14	4	7	2	1	3	7	3
5	27	29	25	20	13	9	10	12	10	6
6	32	37	25	16	9	9	4	16	7	17
7	39	38	27	10	19	25	3	8	3	7
8	19	18	10	5	6	12	2	3	4	2
9	18	22	14	8	1	13	5	4	2	3
10	19	18	15	7	8	12	3	7	4	2
11	35	32	30	17	21	23	7	9	9	3

Area	Existing Bldgs Downtown	Existing Mall Space	Industrial Parks	Wentworth Rd	New Bldgs Downtown	Brooklyn	O'Brien St	Garlands Crossing	Falmouth	Three Mile Plains
12	14	13	12	7	8	13	5	3	1	2
13	22	22	19	10	6	10	5	7	5	9
14	16	17	14	7	8	6	1	7	1	3
15	35	36	23	15	15	22	11	10	4	7
Not Specified	45	47	38	23	18	20	11	11	11	8
West Hants Total	466	468	362	193	191	188	92	118	93	83
% of West Hants	79.3	79.6	61.6	32.8	32.5	32.0	15.6	20.1	15.8	14.1
Windsor	150	140	97	61	68	16	28	23	26	17
% of Windsor	89.3	83.3	57.7	36.3	40.5	9.5	16.7	13.7	15.5	10.1

NEW SHOPPING MALL

In both Windsor and West Hants, over 60 percent of respondents felt that a new mall is not needed. Many people indicated that the existing malls should be improved as shown in Table 17. The responses to where a new mall should go could be divided in eight main areas as shown in Table 19

Table 18 – Need for New Shopping Mall

Area	Yes	No
1	9	6
2	6	13
3	33	77
4	6	17
5	12	21
6	20	26
7	23	31
8	11	10
9	10	15
10	8	16
11	11	32
12	7	12

Area	Yes	No
13	8	18
14	3	17
15	18	30
Not Specified	26	36
West Hants Total	211	377
% of West Hants	35.9	64.1
Windsor	61	107
% of Windsor	36.3	63.7

Table 19 – Proposed Locations for New Mall

Location		%
Cole Rd. – Superstore area	69	25.4
Wentworth Rd/Hwy 101/Exhibition Grounds	55	20.2
Fort Edward/Windsor Mall (replace/add on)	37	13.6
Outside Windsor	30	11.0
Windsor Downtown	25	9.2
Industrial Park	25	9.2
Don't Know	14	5.1
Anywhere	7	2.6

DOWNTOWN WINDSOR

Overall, about 50 percent of the respondents from Windsor and West Hants were “Somewhat Satisfied” with most aspects of downtown Windsor. A significant number, however, indicated they were not satisfied with parking (33% from West Hants and 35% from Windsor), building appearance (26% and 32%, respectively) and the condition of streets and sidewalks (28% and 18% from West Hants and 36% and 30% from Windsor).

Table 20 – Downtown Windsor

Area	Parking			Landscaping			Appearance			Business Signs			Street Signs		
	Not Satis	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Satis	Not Satis	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Satis	Not Satis	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Satis	Not Satis	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Satis	Not Satis	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Satis
1	7	5	1	2	7	1	5	7	2	3	6	3	3	8	2
2	9	7	3	5	12	2	8	10	1	3	13	3	4	9	5
3	35	54	17	13	65	25	34	64	6	12	68	22	7	67	29
4	10	9	3	7	11	4	6	13	2	2	16	2	1	14	4
5	14	14	5	6	18	7	8	21	1	6	17	6	5	18	7
6	16	19	10	10	25	9	15	25	4	7	28	7	6	21	15
7	14	24	11	4	31	12	7	29	11	2	31	12	12	26	8
8	5	10	6	3	9	7	2	12	5	1	9	8	1	8	10
9	10	10	3	4	11	7	4	14	5	2	15	5	2	13	7
10	2	12	9	4	11	7	5	12	5	3	13	6	0	13	7
11	15	23	4	3	33	5	9	29	3	3	31	7	3	27	11
12	8	8	3	2	13	3	4	11	1	3	11	4	1	11	6
13	8	12	5	1	16	8	6	13	6	5	13	6	4	9	11
14	7	10	2	3	11	4	6	11	3	2	13	3	3	13	3
15	11	27	6	5	27	13	9	27	9	8	29	7	3	27	12
Not Specified	17	34	9	8	37	12	17	31	8	8	43	6	9	35	13
W. Hants Total	246	347	122	111	432	157	199	426	82	88	454	140	77	401	207
% of W. Hants	32.5	45.9	16.1	14.7	57.1	20.8	26.3	56.3	10.8	11.6	60.1	18.5	10.2	53.0	27.4
Windsor	58	69	25	31	95	31	54	97	8	18	98	33	13	82	57
% of Windsor	34.5	41.1	14.9	18.5	56.5	18.5	32.1	57.7	4.8	10.7	58.3	19.6	7.7	48.8	33.9

Area	Streets			Sidewalks			Commercial Mix			Pedestrian Access/Safety		
	Not Satis	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Satis	Not Satis	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Satis	Not Satis	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Satis	Not Satis	Somewhat Satisfied	Very Satis
1	6	6	1	3	6	2	2	9	1	2	9	2
2	6	11	2	3	12	4	11	7	0	2	14	3
3	35	56	12	21	61	21	22	62	11	13	64	26
4	4	14	3	4	15	2	5	12	1	3	14	4
5	10	15	7	4	24	4	7	21	1	5	17	8
6	12	25	5	8	29	6	11	26	3	6	24	10
7	15	31	3	5	30	10	8	31	7	6	30	11
8	4	13	3	1	11	7	3	12	3	3	9	7
9	3	19	1	2	12	9	2	16	3	3	10	9
10	3	13	5	2	13	6	5	12	4	1	16	6
11	14	23	4	9	20	11	6	32	2	4	29	8
12	2	12	4	2	12	5	1	12	2	3	10	6
13	10	12	3	5	14	6	3	12	5	4	10	10
14	5	10	4	2	13	4	2	13	3	2	12	5
15	9	29	7	3	29	13	5	30	5	6	24	13
Not Specified	17	30	12	10	34	13	12	33	9	13	26	17
W. Hants Total	215	404	91	135	416	150	137	436	79	99	403	187
% of W. Hants	28.4	53.4	12.0	17.9	55.0	19.8	18.1	57.7	10.4	13.1	53.3	24.7
Windsor	60	85	15	51	81	27	32	96	19	23	85	42
% of Windsor	35.7	50.6	8.9	30.4	48.2	16.1	19.0	57.1	11.3	13.7	50.6	25.0

OPERATION OF COMMERCIAL BUSINESS

Unfortunately, very few business people chose to respond to the survey. Only 66 respondents from both Windsor and West Hants indicated that they operate a business in the area.

Table 21 – Operation of Businesses

Area	Yes	No
1	3	12
2	2	17
3	10	100
4	0	23
5	5	28
6	2	44
7	3	51
8	2	19
9	2	23
10	2	22
11	1	42
12	3	16
13	3	23
14	3	17
15	3	45
Not Specified	4	58
West Hants Total	48	540
% of West Hants	8.2	91.8
Windsor	18	150
% of Windsor	10.7	89.3

COMMENTS ON COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT

There was no real consensus from Windsor respondents about commercial development in Windsor-West Hants. Some comments expressed the need for a major retail outlet such as Wal-mart, Zellers or Canadian Tire while others expressed the opposite view and wished to promote smaller, locally-owned businesses. There were some suggestions that taxes were too high and tax breaks could provide an incentive to new businesses. It was also suggested that tax rates should be equal in all areas, referring to the difference in rates between Windsor and West Hants. A number of people mentioned that historic buildings in downtown Windsor could be better used and refurbished. Other comments suggested developing the waterfront, establishing a grocery store downtown and giving the downtown a facelift.

West Hants residents were clearly concerned about commercial development in the Town of Windsor. The majority of comments from West Hants respondents centred on development in the Town rather than the municipality. Of the few respondents who made comments on West Hants, some felt commercial development should be encouraged only in the serviced areas, while others thought it should be permitted anywhere in the municipality. There was no clear majority in favour of either approach. As with Windsor respondents, the most frequent comment was that there was a need for a large retail store. People also felt that incentives such as lower taxes or grants should be offered to encourage commercial development. Other suggestions included: encouraging sustainable, green or environmentally friendly development and using the existing buildings in Windsor rather than constructing new.

5 Industrial Development

KINDS OF DEVELOPMENT

Respondents to the survey felt that some type of retail aspect should be acceptable in the industrial parks. For the most part, respondents from West Hants felt that any retail uses should be permitted but respondents from Windsor were more evenly divided between allowing any retail uses (45.8%) and allowing only larger retail uses (32.1%). Other written responses included: all - if all area tax rates were equal; all uses-a certain % be reserved for multi-employment; any business, why restrict business from opening; anything local; industrial and related business and retail/rental; industrial, business and retail uses; recreational; jobs will help; let business happen; manufacturing; nothing toxic; only industrial on Morison, industrial/retail on Cole Dr; some good shopping places like Wal-mart or Zellers; strip mall; and whoever will.

Table 22 – Type of Development Preferred in Industrial Parks

Area	Only industrial uses	Industrial and limited related business uses	Industrial and business uses but not small retail	Industrial, business and retail uses
1	0	1	3	11
2	0	4	3	12
3	1	12	21	71
4	1	0	6	14
5	1	4	8	19

Area	Only industrial uses	Industrial and limited related business uses	Industrial and business uses but not small retail	Industrial, business and retail uses
6	1	4	8	31
7	4	6	7	28
8	0	1	3	15
9	2	1	7	15
10	0	4	2	17
11	1	3	9	28
12	1	2	5	11
13	0	3	1	17
14	0	2	3	15
15	1	4	13	27
Not Specified	6	3	13	38
W. Hants Total	19	54	112	369
% of W. Hants	3.2	9.2	19.0	62.8
Windsor	7	17	54	77
% of Windsor	4.2	10.1	32.1	45.8

6 Agricultural Development

PRIME AGRICULTURAL LAND

Over half of respondents from Windsor and West Hants indicated that they felt that prime agricultural land should be protected from residential development. Other responses included: at the discretion of the farm owner; depends on what the landowner wants to do; direct and permit; if Windsor is to grow maybe less restriction; if you own the land do what you want with it; let farmers decide; limit the lots on nonprime land; fill existing lots; limit the size of lots - frontage on existing roads; no residential use of farmland; permit limited residential development by development agreement; restrict residential development to existing areas; there were a lot of progressive ways; and where water and sewer can be provided.

Table 23 – Use of Prime Agricultural Land

Area	Direct residential development	Permit limited residential development	Allow unlimited residential development	Other
1	8	2	0	3
2	14	4	0	1
3	61	45	2	2
4	11	9	1	0
5	19	12	2	0
6	34	9	1	0
7	33	13	2	2
8	16	3	1	0
9	16	7	1	0
10	18	4	2	0
11	23	14	2	1
12	11	6	1	1
13	14	6	2	1
14	17	3	0	0
15	36	10	1	0
Not Specified	45	12	2	3
West Hants Total	376	159	20	14
% of West Hants	63.9	27.0	3.4	2.4
Windsor	85	58	10	3
% of Windsor	50.6	34.5	6.0	1.8

FARM LIVING

Only one Windsor respondent indicated that they live on farm and only 13.3 percent of West Hants respondents reported living on farms.

Table 24 - Farms

Area	Yes	No
1	2	13
2	1	18
3	6	104
4	7	16
5	3	30
6	3	43

Area	Yes	No
7	9	45
8	7	14
9	6	19
10	7	17
11	3	40
12	6	13
13	1	25
14	0	20
15	3	45
Not Specified	14	48
West Hants Total	78	510
% of West Hants	13.3	86.7
Windsor	1	167
% of Windsor	0.6	99.4

7 Municipal Services

SATISFACTION WITH MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Respondents to question 23 regarding their satisfaction with municipal services did not provide an overwhelming response for any category except for garbage and recycling collection and fire and police protection with which over 60 percent of West Hants and over 65 percent of Windsor respondents were very satisfied. In the areas of condition of streets and promotion of development, the majority of responses ranged from not satisfied to somewhat satisfied. With respect to landscaping and upkeep of public property, sewer and water services, snow removal and recreation the responses ranged from somewhat satisfied to very satisfied. It should be noted that the low response rate for West Hants in the category of water and sewer services can be attributed to a large number of people indicating that this category was not applicable to them.

Table 25 – Satisfaction with Municipal Services

Area	Tourism			Public Property			Cond of Sts			Promotion			Sewer/Water		
	Not	Somewhat	Very	Not	Somewhat	Very	Not	Somewhat	Very	Not	Somewhat	Very	Not	Somewhat	Very
	1	6	4	1	3	8	3	5	8	1	5	7	0	3	3
2	7	8	1	3	9	5	10	7	0	9	6	0	6	2	0
3	16	59	17	7	65	30	40	52	11	37	41	8	14	39	46
4	3	9	5	1	13	4	5	14	1	4	12	1	17	1	1
5	6	19	5	4	20	6	11	16	3	16	11	1	9	5	2
6	5	25	11	10	25	9	19	19	7	7	23	7	3	18	25
7	10	28	8	4	31	12	20	21	4	14	22	4	4	12	6
8	4	7	5	2	10	7	6	10	1	5	8	2	0	0	1
9	3	10	4	0	11	9	7	12	3	5	14	0	3	5	2
10	4	11	5	1	15	5	10	5	2	6	6	1	0	3	1
11	8	23	5	3	30	9	11	21	4	13	22	3	9	7	4
12	0	11	3	2	9	3	6	7	2	3	7	3	1	3	1
13	5	6	8	3	10	8	12	9	1	7	6	2	6	0	2
14	5	8	5	3	13	3	8	9	3	7	8	1	4	5	0
15	9	25	3	5	27	11	19	20	5	11	21	5	3	10	5
Not Specified	10	27	10	2	36	16	20	27	7	19	28	1	13	9	11
West Hants Total	101	280	96	53	332	140	209	257	55	168	242	39	95	122	107
% of West Hants	17.2	47.6	16.3	9.0	56.5	23.8	35.5	43.7	9.4	28.6	41.2	6.6	16.2	20.7	18.2
Windsor	26	88	26	20	90	39	58	87	10	44	72	12	17	69	63
% of Windsor	15.5	52.4	15.5	11.9	53.6	23.2	34.5	51.8	6.0	26.2	42.9	7.1	10.1	41.1	37.5

Area	Snow Removal			Garbage/Recycle			Fire/Police			Recreation		
	Not	Somewhat	Very	Not	Somewhat	Very	Not	Somewhat	Very	Not	Somewhat	Very
1	3	6	2	3	6	4	5	7	3	5	8	0
2	3	10	4	0	8	10	0	5	11	2	7	5
3	14	54	35	6	39	63	1	28	80	21	43	35
4	3	7	9	2	9	11	2	6	12	4	7	5
5	4	12	13	5	16	12	1	8	23	7	17	1
6	10	22	14	0	18	28	1	9	36	7	19	11
7	6	23	11	4	18	27	4	27	20	12	21	9
8	2	8	7	1	8	12	2	3	16	2	8	4
9	3	11	6	3	10	8	1	11	10	3	8	5
10	5	9	7	0	5	17	1	4	16	3	11	3
11	5	19	14	6	18	18	1	17	24	10	17	9
12	6	6	4	2	5	10	1	6	9	3	5	3
13	5	11	5	2	6	15	1	5	17	5	11	4
14	2	7	10	0	10	10	0	5	14	1	10	4
15	5	24	15	5	14	29	1	17	28	9	28	4
Not Specified	6	27	22	8	19	30	5	15	38	11	25	11
West Hants Total	82	256	178	47	209	304	27	173	357	105	245	113
% of West Hants	13.9	43.5	30.3	8.0	35.5	51.7	4.6	29.4	60.7	17.9	41.7	19.2
Windsor	13	57	83	16	30	108	5	34	110	23	62	48
% of Windsor	7.7	33.9	49.4	9.5	17.9	64.3	3.0	20.2	65.5	13.7	36.9	28.6

RECREATION PROGRAMS

Slightly more than half of the survey responses indicated that they did not participate in municipally organized recreation programs. This could be due to the large number of responses from older people who often said they were too old to participate or activities were more for young people. The most popular activities were soccer and swimming followed closely by hockey.

Other activities mentioned under the ‘other’ category included: aerobics; aquasize; art; Avondale wharf; badminton; basketball; Beavers/Cubs; bowling; broomball; brownies; bus trips; Canskate; child programs at the community

centre; community walks; cooking; craft classes; curling; cycling; dance; drama; exercise classes; extension education programs; figure skating; golf; jazz dance; music; paddling; pony club; recreation park building; recreation trips; rugby; senior games; seniors centre - New Horizons, Cheverie; Gliders seniors Club; skateboarding; skating; skiing; special Olympic figure skating in Hfx; teaching riding; tennis; trail hiking daily; tug of war; violin; volleyball; woodworking; yoga; and youth camps – entrepreneurship.

Table 26 – Participation in Recreation Programs

Area	Yes	No	Swimming	Soccer	Hockey	Softball	Powerlifting	Other
1	3	12	0	2	1	0	0	0
2	10	9	4	4	0	2	3	0
3	61	49	34	37	26	17	4	0
4	10	13	7	7	3	3	0	6
5	19	14	11	8	5	10	5	1
6	22	24	14	11	8	11	0	0
7	22	32	9	5	6	7	0	6
8	6	15	2	5	3	3	0	3
9	7	18	4	3	3	3	0	4
10	8	16	2	4	2	2	0	1
11	22	21	7	5	11	8	0	3
12	5	14	2	3	3	1	3	5
13	8	18	4	4	2	5	0	2
14	9	11	4	4	8	4	0	15
15	17	31	4	7	6	9	0	12
Not Specified	25	37	10	13	15	8	0	2
West Hants Total	348	408	179	162	141	124	16	61
% of West Hants	46.0	54.0	23.7	21.4	18.7	16.4	2.1	8.1
Windsor	94	74	61	40	39	31	1	1
% of Windsor	56.0	44.0	36.3	23.8	23.2	18.5	0.6	0.6

The most common listed reason for not participating was awareness (Table 27) although many respondents wrote in other reasons as shown in Table 28.

Table 27 – Reasons for not Participating

Area	Awareness	Location	Cost	Transportation	Dates	Other
1	3	1	1	4	2	5
2	0	1	1	1	1	6
3	8	3	5	2	3	27
4	2	2	3	0	1	9
5	6	4	2	0	3	4
6	4	3	1	1	4	8
7	10	13	9	9	3	13
8	3	2	1	1	0	7
9	1	4	4	1	1	6
10	6	3	3	2	1	7
11	5	1	1	2	0	9
12	2	2	3	1	1	6
13	5	0	4	2	1	5
14	3	0	2	0	0	5
15	8	7	6	5	3	12
Not Specified	9	8	6	3	3	10
West Hants Total	75	54	52	34	27	139
% of West Hants	12.8	9.2	8.8	5.8	4.6	23.6
Windsor	15	3	12	3	6	25
% of Windsor	8.9	1.8	7.1	1.8	3.6	14.9

Table 28 – Other Reasons for Not Participating

Area	Age	No Time	Other Interests	No Interest	Other	No Young Children	No Interest In Offerings	Health	New To Area	Not Sports Oriented	Nothing For Seniors	Need Sports Facility	Time Of Day
1	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
2	2	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
3	6	5	5	2	2	0	2	1	3	0	1	0	1
4	1	0	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
5	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
6	1	0	0	2	1	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
7	3	1	3	1	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Area	Age	No Time	Other Interests	No Interest	Other	No Young Children	No Interest In Offerings	Health	New To Area	Not Sports Oriented	Nothing For Seniors	Need Sports Facility	Time Of Day
8	2	1	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
10	2	1	1	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	1	2	0	2	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0
12	1	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0
14	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
15	1	1	4	1	1	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Not Specified	3	2	0	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
West Hants Total	28	19	18	17	14	11	11	7	6	3	3	2	2
% of West Hants	4.8	3.2	3.1	2.9	2.4	1.9	1.9	1.2	1.0	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3
Windsor	4	1	2	5	0	7	1	1	2	2	0	0	0
% of Windsor	2.4	0.6	1.2	3.0	0.0	4.2	0.6	0.6	1.2	1.2	0.0	0.0	0.0

DAY CAMPS

The greatest majority of respondents said that the question about participation in day camps was not applicable. This is understandable given the age groups that responded to the survey. As with the recreation program awareness was a common reason given for not participating but cost and transportation were also factors. Other reasons included: babysitter does lots with them; both parents working; lots of reasons; no programs for the mentally challenged; and not at tax-payers expense.

Table 29 – Participation in Day Camps

Area	Yes	No	N/A
1	0	4	9
2	0	3	15
3	14	28	67
4	1	7	14
5	2	8	19
6	6	11	26
7	4	9	39

Area	Yes	No	N/A
8	2	4	15
9	3	3	18
10	0	4	18
11	0	10	32
12	2	2	15
13	0	3	20
14	0	1	18
15	2	8	38
Not Specified	8	13	35
West Hants Total	65	159	492
% of West Hants	8.6	21.0	65.1
Windsor	21	41	94
% of Windsor	12.5	24.4	56.0

Table 30 – Reasons for Not Participating

Area	Cost	Transport	Awareness	Selection	Dates	Location	Other
1	1	2	2	0	1	1	0
2	1	1	0	1	0	1	2
3	2	2	4	2	2	0	16
4	2	1	2	0	1	0	3
5	3	2	5	2	0	0	3
6	1	2	0	3	2	1	5
7	2	3	0	1	1	1	3
8	2	2	0	1	1	2	2
9	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
10	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
11	1	4	1	2	0	0	3
12	3	4	2	2	0	1	0
13	2	0	0	0	1	1	1
14	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
15	3	2	0	0	0	1	2
Not Specified	1	0	0	2	1	1	9
West Hants Total	29	28	22	18	15	12	69
% of West Hants	3.8	3.7	2.9	2.4	2.0	1.6	9.1

Area	Cost	Transport	Awareness	Selection	Dates	Location	Other
Windsor	4	2	6	2	3	2	17
% of Windsor	2.4	1.2	3.6	1.2	1.8	1.2	10.1

Table 31 – Other Reasons for Not Participating

Area	Age	Other Interests	Not Interested	Times	No Need	Other
1	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	0	1	1
3	8	3	2	0	2	1
4	1	1	1	0	0	0
5	1	1	0	0	0	1
6	3	2	0	0	0	0
7	2	0	0	1	0	0
8	1	0	0	1	0	0
9	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	2	1	0	0	0	0
11	1	1	0	1	0	0
12	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	1	0	0	0	0	0
14	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	0	1	1	0	0	0
Not Specified	4	1	2	0	0	2
West Hants Total	76	26	12	8	6	10
% of West Hants	10.1	3.4	1.6	1.1	0.8	1.3
Windsor	14	2	0	1	0	0
% of Windsor	8.3	1.2	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

In both Windsor and West Hants well over 60 percent of respondents felt there was a need for new recreational facilities. As shown in Table 33, trails, picnic areas and parks were the most sought after followed closely by swimming pools, which most respondents specified should be indoor.

Other suggestions for recreation facilities included those listed in Table 34 as well as the following comments: along Hants Shore; any to promote health and a healthy lifestyle; better advertised/easier located; canoe; horse riding;

continue to upgrade, maintain and improve existing; dance hall for teens; decent curling club; depends on population, If the population grows; develop beach/park at Panuke like Lumsden; DNR should hold day camps to teach children; Eldridge Rd park was a great idea [it is a] mosquito breeding area; Falmouth ballpark should be put back into operation; gardens; golf; marina in basin by Windsor Wear factory; more adult lane swimming times; movie theatre; need more garbage cans on or near walking trails; needed in a central area not Panuke Rd; none in Upper Falmouth; not a half job that was done on Martock-side of bridge; outdoor rink; parks benches and washrooms in trail areas; picnic area in St Croix behind car pool parking lot; promoting soccer; riding trails away from main roads; running club and track; Seniors Drop in Centre; skateboard facility; sprinkler park for kids like Hfx, Charlottetown; swimming lessons for lake areas; theatre/arena for cultural events, social rooms; these things exist but its set up for the rich; wilderness protected area but not primarily recreation; and a winter walking facility.

Table 32 – New Recreation Facilities Needed

Area	Yes	No
1	10	5
2	12	7
3	77	33
4	12	11
5	24	9
6	33	13
7	40	14
8	16	5
9	11	14
10	17	7
11	28	15
12	10	9
13	12	14
14	12	8
15	32	16
Not Specified	45	17
West Hants Total	500	256
% of West Hants	66.1	33.9

Area	Yes	No
Windsor	109	59
% of Windsor	64.9	35.1

Table 33 – Types of Recreational Facilities Needed

Area	Trails	Natural Park	Picnic Area	Swimming Pool	Play Ground	Sports Field	Hard Court	Boat Launch
1	7	6	3	5	7	6	4	3
2	9	8	5	6	3	2	3	1
3	44	39	29	37	27	19	13	13
4	7	6	6	3	5	6	3	2
5	12	11	15	8	11	10	9	6
6	25	18	15	17	18	13	5	8
7	26	24	25	19	22	14	20	18
8	11	8	10	10	8	8	6	1
9	7	5	4	4	3	3	4	1
10	12	11	7	9	9	5	4	8
11	15	13	17	21	16	7	9	7
12	6	5	6	6	6	4	2	2
13	6	6	8	9	6	2	6	3
14	10	9	6	5	3	5	5	5
15	16	19	16	15	15	7	12	6
Not Specified	29	26	15	20	18	17	12	9
W. Hants Total	302	273	240	244	212	164	143	123
% of W. Hants	39.9	36.1	31.7	32.3	28.0	21.7	18.9	16.3
Windsor	60	59	53	50	35	36	26	30
% of Windsor	35.7	35.1	31.5	29.8	20.8	21.4	15.5	17.9

Table 34 – Other Types of Recreational Facilities Needed

Area	Sportsplex	Youth Activities	New Rink	Bike Trails	Walking Trails	Arts Centre	Other
1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
2	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
3	2	0	1	2	0	0	4

4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
5	2	1	0	0	0	0	3
6	1	0	0	2	0	0	2
7	1	1	0	0	0	0	4
8	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
11	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
12	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
13	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	0	0	2	0	0	0	1
15	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Not Specified	1	1	0	0	1	0	4
W. Hants Total	32	17	12	6	4	1	88
% of W. Hants	4.2	2.2	1.6	0.8	0.5	0.1	11.6
Windsor	6	1	2	2	1	1	9
% of Windsor	3.6	0.6	1.2	1.2	0.6	0.6	5.4

WORKSHOPS

Gardening and bicycle safety were the most popular choices for workshops to be offered by the recreation departments. People wrote in a great variety of other options such as: art for children; arts: creative writing, media, music, storytelling, singing; babysitting course; coin and stamp club; computer training; conflict resolution; craft workshops i.e. stained glass; ceramics; defensive driving; elder-aerobics in local halls; family resource centre programs; financial planning; fly tying/fishing; garden club; golf lessons; gymnastics; hockey referee clinic; hunting/fishing; jazzercise; interior decorating; Judo; kayaking/canoeing for adults and families; lawn care w/out using pesticides; literacy; living fence; meditation; monthly reports of town Council's minutes; more children safety courses; nature studies; oil/watercolour painting; organic gardening; photography; practical home economies: canning; quilting; recycling; restoration of Avon River; riding for adults; self improvement/organizational techniques; sign language; theatre

classes for youth; tole painting; trade related i.e. welding; upholstery; use of animals in composting; using solar and wind power; Windsor Appreciation class; wine-tasting; woodworking; and yoga.

Table 35 – Desire for Workshops offered by Recreation

Area	Gardening	First Aid	Composting	Dance	Bicycle Safety	Scrapbooks	Other
1	10	9	7	3	5	4	1
2	6	5	4	6	4	1	1
3	45	29	21	25	18	8	11
4	7	7	7	3	7	0	2
5	16	10	6	5	6	4	4
6	17	18	15	13	10	6	2
7	20	19	13	11	10	8	7
8	4	6	4	5	3	0	5
9	7	5	6	3	6	3	3
10	11	9	8	8	5	3	5
11	19	15	19	13	11	6	4
12	8	7	7	3	4	2	2
13	12	8	7	7	7	2	3
14	10	8	10	8	4	4	0
15	18	15	12	12	9	6	6
Not Specified	22	23	28	10	10	4	4
W. Hants Total	303	248	208	183	159	76	83
% of West Hants	40.1	32.8	27.5	24.2	21.0	10.1	11.0
Windsor	71	55	34	48	40	15	23
% of Windsor	42.3	32.7	20.2	28.6	23.8	8.9	13.7

COMPOSTING

Almost 80 percent of Windsor respondents participated in the green cart program year-round while over 60 percent of West Hants respondents participated in composting year-round, with another 12 percent composting seasonally. Most people compost fruit and vegetables and, as Table 37 shows, there were high participation rates in all types of compostables especially in

Windsor where items such as cooked food and soiled paper are easily put in a green cart.

Table 36 – Participation in Composting Programs

Area	Yes, Year-round	Yes, Seasonally	No
1	8	3	4
2	16	0	2
3	60	18	32
4	13	4	6
5	20	4	8
6	19	7	20
7	31	6	17
8	16	2	3
9	17	3	5
10	19	1	4
11	22	8	13
12	14	1	4
13	13	2	11
14	10	2	8
15	26	7	15
Not Specified	41	5	16
West Hants Total	478	94	181
% of West Hants	63.2	12.4	23.9
Windsor	133	21	13
% of Windsor	79.2	12.5	7.7

Table 37 – Compostable Items

Area	Vegetables	Fruit	Egg Shells	Leaves	Coffee	Grass	Bread	Cooked Food	Soiled Paper
1	11	11	10	10	9	10	9	8	8
2	15	14	15	13	12	13	10	8	7
3	76	75	71	67	69	53	40	25	29
4	17	17	15	15	14	14	10	5	5
5	23	23	22	20	20	19	16	14	12
6	22	22	20	23	20	21	14	8	9
7	37	36	30	33	34	25	22	16	12
8	18	17	16	15	14	13	11	11	10
9	18	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	8

Area	Vegetables	Fruit	Egg Shells	Leaves	Coffee	Grass	Bread	Cooked Food	Soiled Paper
10	19	19	19	16	18	16	11	11	5
11	28	28	24	27	24	20	15	18	10
12	15	15	14	11	13	9	11	7	2
13	15	15	14	13	13	9	10	8	4
14	12	12	12	12	12	11	8	8	6
15	32	32	26	22	26	16	16	15	13
Not Specified	42	42	39	41	40	32	28	23	24
W. Hants Total	538	535	496	485	480	403	370	325	282
% of W. Hants	71.2	70.8	65.6	64.2	63.5	53.3	48.9	43.0	37.3
Windsor	138	139	132	131	127	108	126	128	118
% of Windsor	82.1	82.7	78.6	78.0	75.6	64.3	75.0	76.2	70.2

Residents of West Hants indicated that they want more information about composting and community composting sites. Windsor residents also wanted more information, workshops and building plans for backyard composters in addition to the green cart program.

Table 38 – More Composting Information

Area	Information	Community Sites	Building Plans	Demonstration Centres	Workshops	Cost Subsidy
1	6	1	5	3	0	3
2	7	3	3	1	1	3
3	32	18	10	16	15	12
4	9	4	5	4	4	5
5	9	8	5	4	4	5
6	12	7	9	6	5	4
7	15	9	3	4	4	5
8	6	5	3	3	1	3
9	7	3	4	2	2	2
10	6	6	8	4	8	4
11	16	9	8	9	9	7
12	7	3	3	6	0	2
13	9	2	5	5	3	1
14	7	2	4	3	5	4
15	18	11	6	5	3	10
Not Specified	19	15	10	10	7	7
W. Hants Total	240	119	111	101	91	86

Area	Information	Community Sites	Building Plans	Demonstration Centres	Workshops	Cost Subsidy
% of W. Hants	31.7	15.7	14.7	13.4	12.0	11.4
Windsor	55	13	20	16	20	9
% of Windsor	32.7	7.7	11.9	9.5	11.9	5.4

8 Other Planning Concerns

IMPORTANCE OF ISSUES

Question 30 of the survey touched on five different planning issues in the Windsor-West Hants area by asking how important these issues were to residents. Protection of heritage buildings was important to over 55 percent of the respondents from both Windsor and West Hants; only six percent said that this is not an important issue.

Architectural standards for both downtown and residential Windsor were more important for Windsor residents. Almost 57 percent of Windsor respondents felt that downtown architectural standards were important; 38 percent felt that they were somewhat important. Residential architectural standards were important to 46 percent of Windsor respondents and somewhat important to another 41 percent. West Hants respondents also considered downtown architectural standards to be important, with almost 40 percent stating it was very important and 42 percent stating it was somewhat important. Residential standards were important to only 29 percent of West Hants respondents but were somewhat important to almost 50 percent.

Downtown Windsor revitalization had support from almost 54 percent of West Hants respondents while almost 80 percent of the responses from Windsor indicated that it is an important issue.

Preservation of farmland is much more important to West Hants residents with over 70 percent indicating it was very important and another 22 percent stating it was somewhat important. Over 55 percent of the respondents from Windsor also found that this is an important issue.

This question also allowed people to write in other concerns. These included: anything that will improve our town; better hwy/road maintenance; churches;

cultural opportunities, new library; development of small local business and co-ops; don't over-commercialize; general residential standards and bylaws to keep place neat and clean; green energy plan; growth; expansion; new retail business; hospital; implementing water/sewer for Mt Denson; improved water services; late night bar noise; light pollution; limit housing and industrial and destruction of forest; need a hotel/motel; new affordable modern office space; new construction should be environmentally sound; parking; preservation of community/neighbourhood meeting places; preservation/protection of farmland; natural areas; waterways; woodland; watershed; wildlife lands; put teens to work on govt farms; rebuild all of downtown; recreation land use planning; recreational activities; safety for our kids; standards of buildings everywhere and not permitting junk; traffic; training for all trades; and youth opportunities.

Table 39 – Other Planning Issues

Area	Heritage Bldgs			Downtown Windsor Arch Stands			Residential Windsor Arch Stands		
	Not Important	Somewhat Important	Very Important	Not Important	Somewhat Important	Very Important	Not Important	Somewhat Important	Very Important
1	0	5	9	0	7	6	1	7	5
2	0	6	12	0	5	13	1	14	3
3	9	45	53	7	50	49	14	56	36
4	3	8	12	5	11	7	4	15	4
5	1	12	17	2	11	16	3	12	15
6	3	19	22	5	25	13	7	24	11
7	4	15	33	6	19	22	7	25	15
8	3	8	9	5	8	8	5	9	7
9	2	8	13	3	10	8	2	13	7
10	0	7	17	1	8	15	3	10	10
11	3	13	26	4	19	17	7	23	10
12	2	9	8	5	7	6	6	6	6
13	0	8	15	3	10	8	3	13	5
14	1	2	15	1	6	11	2	6	10
15	2	16	29	2	23	15	4	26	10

Area	Heritage Bldgs			Downtown Windsor Arch Stands			Residential Windsor Arch Stands		
	Not Important	Somewhat Important	Very Important	Not Important	Somewhat Important	Very Important	Not Important	Somewhat Important	Very Important
Not Specified	3	19	36	6	30	18	8	32	14
West Hants Total	36	200	326	55	249	232	77	291	168
% of West Hants	6.1	34.0	55.4	9.4	42.3	39.5	13.1	49.5	28.6
Windsor	10	57	99	4	64	95	13	70	78
% of Windsor	6.0	33.9	58.9	2.4	38.1	56.5	7.7	41.7	46.4

Area	Downtown Revitalization			Farmland Preservation		
	Not Important	Somewhat Important	Very Important	Not Important	Somewhat Important	Very Important
1	0	5	8	1	2	11
2	0	1	17	0	1	17
3	2	27	77	4	26	77
4	2	5	14	1	7	15
5	1	3	26	1	12	18
6	3	12	27	4	13	27
7	5	13	32	4	10	37
8	1	5	14	0	3	17
9	2	8	13	0	3	21
10	1	4	18	0	5	19
11	3	11	28	3	8	31
12	1	6	11	0	6	13
13	2	4	16	1	5	17
14	0	3	17	1	3	16
15	4	13	23	1	11	34
Not Specified	4	18	34	0	13	44
West Hants Total	31	138	375	21	128	414
% of West Hants	5.3	23.5	63.8	3.6	21.8	70.4

	Downtown Revitalization			Farmland Preservation		
	3	29	132	11	59	95
Windsor	3	29	132	11	59	95
% of Windsor	1.8	17.3	78.6	6.5	35.1	56.5

WASTE TREATMENT

Residents of Windsor were evenly divided on the issue of whether or not they were willing to pay higher taxes so the sewage treatment in the Town could be upgraded to reduce the amount of untreated sewage going into the Minas Basin. At the same time, however, many people indicated that they thought that all the sewage was treated prior to being discharged. Most West Hants respondents (41.7%) felt that this question is not applicable to them.

Table 40 – Higher Taxes for Sewer System Upgrades

Area	Yes	No	N/A
1	1	4	8
2	2	4	10
3	28	27	47
4	4	7	12
5	5	4	23
6	15	18	12
7	14	13	25
8	3	5	13
9	3	4	16
10	5	3	14
11	9	6	26
12	3	5	11
13	2	3	14
14	5	3	12
15	7	13	26
Not Specified	12	18	27
West Hants Total	184	205	315
% of West Hants	24.3	27.1	41.7
Windsor	66	68	19
% of Windsor	39.3	40.5	11.3

OTHER STATEMENTS

Question 32 listed three statements relating to the future development of Windsor-West Hants. Statement 1 proposed limiting development to areas where water and sewer services already exist. Over 40 percent of respondents indicated that they agreed with this statement and another 29 percent in West Hants and 40 percent in Windsor strongly agreed.

Table 41 – Limit New Development to Serviced Areas

Area	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1	6	4	4	1
2	6	10	1	1
3	27	59	11	9
4	7	9	1	1
5	11	8	7	4
6	21	16	6	1
7	10	20	13	6
8	3	9	7	0
9	5	12	4	1
10	8	14	0	2
11	16	13	8	4
12	3	6	6	3
13	7	8	5	1
14	5	11	3	0
15	15	17	10	3
Not Specified	20	30	7	3
West Hants Total	170	246	93	40
% of West Hants	28.9	41.8	15.8	6.8
Windsor	66	75	12	4
% of Windsor	39.3	44.6	7.1	2.4

Statement 2 suggested limiting residential development in areas with poor well water or inadequate ground water supply. Over 80 percent of Windsor respondents and almost 70 percent of West Hants respondents agreed or strongly agreed with this idea.

Table 42 – Limit Residential Development in Areas with Poor Water Supply

Area	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1	5	6	3	0
2	6	6	5	1
3	41	43	17	6
4	6	8	1	5
5	11	10	3	7
6	12	23	7	2
7	18	19	11	2
8	4	5	8	0
9	6	11	3	3
10	10	9	3	2
11	12	14	11	4
12	5	5	5	3
13	5	9	5	1
14	5	11	3	0
15	16	20	6	3
Not Specified	15	25	16	1
West Hants Total	177	224	107	40
% of West Hants	30.1	38.1	18.2	6.8
Windsor	71	68	16	4
% of Windsor	42.3	40.5	9.5	2.4

Statement 3 put forth the idea of introducing a by-law that would limit the use of pesticides in the Town of Windsor. Over 60 percent of respondents from Windsor felt that this is a good idea. Some West Hants respondents wrote that this should be considered in West Hants as well.

Table 43 – Limit Use of Pesticides in Windsor

Area	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1	4	8	2	0
2	12	3	2	0
3	28	34	27	8
4	11	4	3	2
5	15	4	7	5
6	18	16	6	1
7	17	21	6	2

Area	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
8	8	6	3	1
9	10	4	4	2
10	9	12	3	0
11	19	13	4	4
12	3	6	4	3
13	8	9	2	0
14	6	7	6	0
15	20	18	8	0
Not Specified	24	20	7	5
West Hants Total	212	185	94	33
% of West Hants	36.1	31.5	16.0	5.6
Windsor	51	56	35	15
% of Windsor	30.4	33.3	20.8	8.9

Other comments included in the section were: anti-smoking by-laws; better town water; dog barking by-law needs strong enforcement now; flood plain development should be discouraged; higher taxes for Falmouth, Dill Rd; limit low-cost housing and apartments in downtown area; need multi-unit developments; no more bars or seedy businesses; other businesses than bars, banks and fast food; planning should be proactive in anticipating increase; planning strategy include a strong energy plan; protection of farmland; severely limit industrial/residential development; sewage system such as Bear River should be considered; should enforce residential zones to keep them residential; stop flood plain development; too much welfare in Town of Windsor; water and sewer should be supplied to other areas (i.e. Falmouth to Hantsport; Brooklyn).

AVON RIVER CAUSEWAY

Question 33 stated: “Recently there has been discussion about the idea of removing the Avon River Causeway at Windsor and replacing it with a bridge. What are your comments on this?”

Caution should be used in interpreting the responses as the question did not ask for a simple yes or no answer and some of the comments were open to interpretation. Overall, about 36.6 percent (277 persons) of respondents suggested the causeway should be removed, compared with 32.5 percent (246

persons) who felt it should stay, 7.7 percent (58 persons) who did not give a clear answer, 10.3 percent (78 persons) who wanted further study before a decision was made. 12.8 percent (97 persons) of survey respondents did not answer this question. When Windsor and West Hants responses are viewed separately there appears to be some difference in opinion between residents of the two municipal units. Among West Hants respondents, 37.9 percent felt the causeway should be removed, and 30.8 percent thought it should stay. Windsor respondents took the opposite viewpoint, with 38.7 percent indicating the causeway should stay, and only 32.1 percent suggesting it be removed.

Most of the responses for removing the causeway cited environmental reasons and correcting a mistake which was made in the 1970s. Most of the responses against removing the causeway mentioned concerns with cost, including lack of funding for other road projects as well as for education and health care, and the potential of causing more damage to the river system.

Table 44 – Replacing the Avon River Causeway

Area	Yes	No	Neutral	Study	No Response
1	4	4	1	2	4
2	13	4	1	1	0
3	40	32	9	18	11
4	9	8	1	4	1
5	10	12	1	4	6
6	16	16	6	1	7
7	20	11	7	5	11
8	7	6	2	3	3
9	12	10	1	0	2
10	6	11	0	2	5
11	18	14	4	4	3
12	10	4	1	1	3
13	10	5	5	2	4
14	9	5	3	2	1

Area	Yes	No	Neutral	Study	No Response
15	15	15	3	5	10
Not Specified	24	24	4	5	5
West Hants Total	223	181	49	59	76
% of West Hants	37.9	30.8	8.3	10.0	12.9
Windsor	54	65	9	19	21
% of Windsor	32.1	38.7	5.4	11.3	12.5
Windsor-West Hants Total	277	246	58	78	97
% of WWH Total	36.6	32.5	7.7	10.3	12.8

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

The final question of the survey asked for any additional comments about development in Windsor-West Hants. The comments which people made were as diverse as the people themselves. 90 people from Windsor and 295 from West Hants took the time to add more comments. Some expanded upon the Avon River Causeway issue while others talked about how they wanted to see the Windsor-West Hants area to develop in the future. Many of the comments reiterated remarks made in other parts of the survey. Since a wide range of comments was received, it was not possible to group them into types or categories. The responses have been organized according to communities, however, and are available from the Planning Department.

9 Conclusions

Overall, the response to the survey was very good with almost 10 percent of households returning the survey. The individual responses were well thought out and covered a great variety of issues. Planning staff and the Planning Advisory Committees for both the Town and the Municipality appreciate the time which residents took in completing the survey. The results of the survey will help the committees and staff to formulate development policies and standards for the new Municipal Planning Strategies and Land Use By-laws for the Municipality of West Hants and the Town of Windsor.

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