

# **Pontesbury: RHRP Survey Analysis**

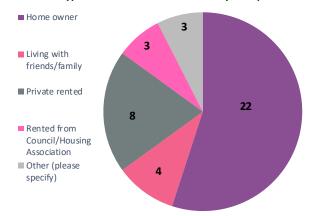
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228 responses from residents of Pontesbury as at 20th December 2019. 40 residents were thinking of moving and of these 6 indicated that their first choice would be to live somewhere else, 34 wished to remain in Pontesbury Parish.

#### Of those thinking of moving:

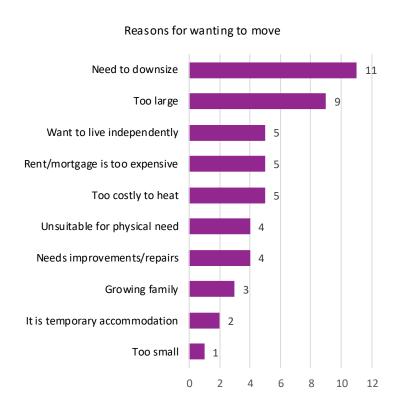
- 55% of respondents were home owners.
- 8 respondents were living in privately rented accommodation, 3 in Council/Housing Association and 4 living with friends/family.
- Of those wanting to move household size ranged from one to six, with the average number of people per household being 2.43.
- Of those wanting to move 2 households had a resident aged over 75 and 5 households had children under the age of 16.

## Type of Accommodation Currently Occupied\*



\*Results of those who indicated current type of accommodation occupied

Please note some respondents wishing to move may have indicated more than one reason to move and therefore figures may not sum to the total expressing a wish to move.



Out of the 228 people living in Pontesbury Parish who responded to the survey 40 said they were thinking of moving.

Of those wanting to move, 41% reported that they "need to downsize" or their current home was "too large".

20% of respondents said their current home was either "too costly to heat" or the "rent/mortgage is too expensive".

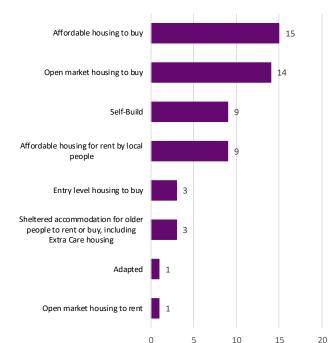
4 respondents said their current home was "unsuitable for physical needs"

5 said they wanted to "live independently".

5 needed to move due to "Growing Family" or property "too small".

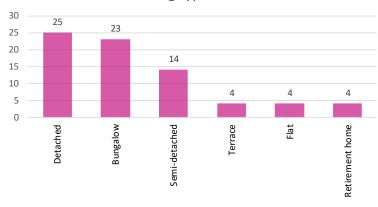
188 respondents were not thinking of moving.

### Types of housing required



- 32 respondents stated that they require housing to buy, affordable, open market and entry level housing.
- Of those wanting open market housing to buy 12 were home owners already & 1 lived in privately rented accommodation.
- $-\,$  15 respondents said they needed affordable housing to buy, 6 of whom were currently home owners, 6 lived in rented accommodation.
- 10 respondents expressed a need for housing to rent and of 9 said they required affordable housing for rent by local people. 3 currently lived in private rented accommodation and 2 rented from Council/Housing Association, 1 lived with friends/family, 2 were home owners.
- 9 respondents wanted "self-build" and 6 of these were home owners.
- 3 respondent required sheltered accommodation.

# **Housing Types Wanted**



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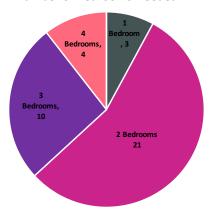
- 5 respondents require a one bedroomed property, 21 require 2 bedrooms, 10 need three bedrooms, 4 require 4 bedrooms. Those that require 3 or more bedrooms typically want a detached property.
- Respondents that require one or two bedrooms were more likely to consider a wider range of property.
- Two respondents reported a need to move within the next 6 months, with a further 25 anticipating moving in the next 2 years.

Timescale for Moving	Number of Respondents
In the next 6 months	2
In the next 6-12 months	10
In the next 2 years	15
In the next 5 years	9

- Three respondents considered monthly rent above £521 to be acceptable.
- Three households currently privately renting & 2 who were renting from Council/Housing Association were looking to move into Affordable housing for rent by local people.
- In terms of house prices, eleven households considered a price above £180,000 would be acceptable and 10 were currently home owners.
- 40 respondents who currently live in Pontesbury are thinking of moving. Eight people stated that they required "open market housing to buy", 5 stated "affordable housing to buy" and expressed no other option. 2 stated that they required "Affordable Housing for rent by local people" and 5 "self build" and expressed no other options the remaining 20 respondents selected more than one option.

- 53% of respondents who were thinking of moving wanted either a detached or semi-detached property.
- 56% of those wanting a detached or semi-detached property were home owners.
- 31% of respondents thinking of moving said they wanted a bungalow and 61% of those were currently home owners.
- 4 respondents wanted a retirement home.
- \*Results of those who were thinking of moving and indicated type of accommodation required

Number of Bedrooms Needed



Affordable Rents







As at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 there were 60 households on the waiting list that had expressed a first preference to live in Pontesbury. Initial analysis suggests that 55 households had a local connection to the Parish of Pontesbury and 51 currently live in Shropshire.