

Section 10 – Young Persons Questionnaire

10.1

62 young people responded and were in the following age categories :

Age Range	2017		2010
	No.	%	%
7-8 years	4	6%	
9-11 years	22	35%	41%
12-14 years	20	32%	32%
15-17 years	16	26%	27%

10.2 Which gender ?

50% were male and 50% female.

Note : the four children aged 7 or 8 who responded, strictly speaking, should have been disallowed but as they themselves felt mature enough to answer, they have been included.

10.3 Which school do you attend ?

Stour Valley	24
Clare Primary	13
Samuel Ward	8
West Suffolk College	3
Long Road 6 th Form, Cambridge	2
Thomas Gainsborough	2
Barnardiston Hall	2
Ridgewell Primary	2
King Edward VI	2

4 other schools, 1 each.

10.4 Which organisations and clubs do you attend?

Youth Club/Social Club, Friday Club	11
Football	11
Scouts/Cubs/Brownies	8
Ballet/Dance	3
Church/Church Music	2
CADS	1

10.5 Which activities do you take part in outside Clare?

Sport Related:-

Swimming or lifeguard training (15), football (5), horse riding (4), gymnastics (3), cricket (2), running or athletics (2), Kung Fu/Karate (2)

The Arts:-

Music and/or singing (4), dancing/theatre (3), sewing (2)

Other:-

Cinema (3), dog training (2), school activities (2)

Various other activities were attended by individual young people.

10.6 What other activities or clubs would you like to see in Clare?

The top 5 were:

Sports clubs	5
Art	5
Tennis	4
Dance	4
Skating/skateboard	3

The following achieved 2 mentions:

Football in the Park Party, trampolining, cricket, judo / martial arts, gymnastics, BMX, snooker, fencing, basketball, youth club.

Fifteen other activities received one mention each, most of which were various sports.

Note: These responses are significantly different to the 2010 survey when a menu of choices was offered

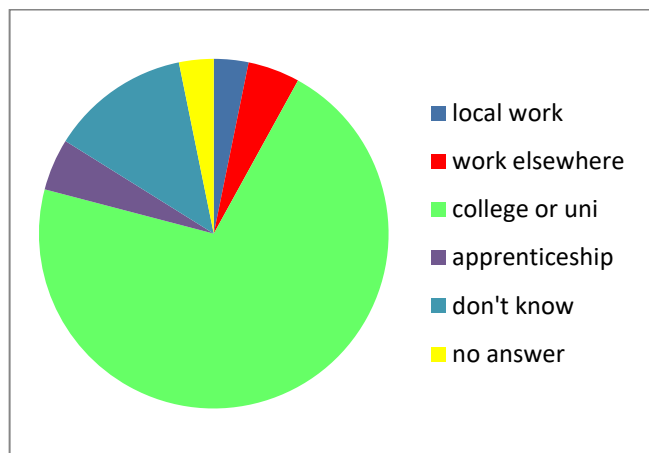
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Share findings with CPFA and CCCP to see if requested activities might be incorporated with their plans.

10.7 Do you have a part-time job ?

11 (17.7%) young people said “yes” compared to 26% in 2010
 50 (80.7%) said “no”
 1 did not answer

10.8 When you leave school, what do you think you will be doing next ?



10.9 Generally, do you feel safe walking around Clare ?

	Yes	No	No answer
During daylight	96.8%	0%	3.2%
In the evening	75.8%	12.8%	11.3%
After dark	43.6%	40.3%	16.1%

10.10 If NO, please say why.

26 young people answered this question.

Too dark	8
Intimidation/older tees/anti-social behaviour	7
My age/too young	3
Fear of crime	3
No police	2
Other reasons	3

10.11 have you ever witnesses or experienced any crime or anti-social behaviour in Clare in the past year ?

13 (20.1%) said yes. 46 (74.1%) said no. 3 (4.8%) did not answer.

10.12 If YES, please tick all that apply.

Noise/Disturbance	9
Vandalism	6
Drug Dealing	6
Bullying (physical and/or verbal)	3
Cyber Bullying (Facebook, Twitter etc.)	2
Theft	1
Damage to your property	0
Assaults	0

10.13 Who did you talk to about what happened ?

Family member	13
Friend	5
Teacher	2

10.14 Do you know where to get help from if you were bullied ?

55 young people answered YES, 4 answered NO and 3 did not answer.

10.15 What do you NOT like about living in Clare ?

Not much to do/limited activities	16
Buses expensive and infrequent	7
Lorries/traffic/speeding traffic	6
Lack of sports facilities	5
The shops	4
Dog mess not cleared up	3
Lack of police	2
No cash point	2
Needs more restaurants	2
Needs indoor swimming pool	2

Several other aspects of life in Clare received one vote.

10.16 What DO you like about living in Clare ?

Friendly place	15
Not too many people/open spaces	15
The park	11
Friends nearby	8
Countryside	8
Safe place	7
The shops	4
Social events	4

Again, several other aspects of life in Clare received one vote.

10.17 If you could do ONE thing to improve your life in Clare, what would it be ?

Multi-use sports facilities/tennis courts/all-weather football pitch	9
Better youth facilities/shops for young people	9
Improve bus service	6
Zip wire in country park	4
Road safety/pedestrian crossing	2
Toy shop	2

Again, many other suggestions received one vote, including "it's great already".

All suggestions have been noted by the Town Council, and kept for future reference.



The Town Council is aware that the CPFA trustees (Clare Playing Field Association) are looking into the feasibility and costing of astro-turf alternatives, a kick wall, touch rugby, junior cricket nets and additional games equipment. They are engaging with leaders of Clare Lions and hope to install a running track.

Initial consultation meetings relating to the Clare Country Park Trustees Heritage Lottery Fund bid suggest that youth activities will form a part of their plans.