

#### **Leatherhead High Street**

This questionnaire is being circulated by Mole Valley District Council and Surrey County Council to encourage those who visit, work or live in Leatherhead to put forward ideas that will make it more successful. In a time of recession, the local authorities want to provide an environment in which the shops, restaurants and other businesses will thrive in surroundings that are attractive and customer friendly.

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This questionnaire is divided into three parts. All individual responses will be treated in confidence. A separate survey of High Street and Church Street businesses has already been completed. A variety of opinions have been expressed, with the majority in favour of retaining vehicular access to High Street and Church Street in the evening and rationalising car parking arrangements. However, we want to know what you think.

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-Part 1 asks some questions about you. -Part 2 asks some questions about what you think of the town centre at the moment. -Part 3 asks questions about the management of access and car parking in the High Street and Church Street. -Part 4 asks about the changes you would like to see in the longer term if funding becomes available.

Part 1: About you

Q1 Please enter your home postcode 324 (100.0%)

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131 (41.3%) Four or more times a week
90 (28.4%) 2-3 times a week 57 (18.0%)
Once a week 39 (12.3%) Less than once
a week

If different, please state how often
16 (100.0%)

### Part 1: About you

 $Q3 \ When \ you \ visit \ the \ town, \ what \ do \ you \ usually \ do? \ (please \ tick \ the \ appropriate \ box(es))$ 

290 (92.1%) Shopping56 (17.8%) Work173 (54.9%) Leisure (theatre/restaurants etc)69 (21.9%) Other If 'Other', please specify

63 (100.0%)

Part 1: About you

 ${\bf Q4}$  How do you normally travel into Leatherhead town centre?

169 (53.5%) Walk 45 (14.2%) Bus 22 (7.0%) Bicycle 175 (55.4%) Car 24 (7.6%) Other If 'Other', please specify

23 (100.0%)

Part 1: About you

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4 (1.3%) Under 18 7 (2.2%) 18-25 42 (13.3%) 26-39 153 (48.4%) 40-64 110 (34.8%) 65 and over

### Part 1: About you

#### Q6 Do you regard yourself as disabled?

21 (6.7%) Yes 293 (93.3%) No If 'Yes', please specify 15 (100.0%)

### Part 2: What do you think about Leatherhead Town Centre?

The following are a list of statements that are drawn from the vision of Leatherhead as stated in one of the Council's Planning documents. Please indicate the extent to which you think Leatherhead already fulfils this vision. There is space to give reasons for your responses.

### Part 2: What do you think about Leatherhead Town Centre?

#### Q7 The town has a strong character and identity

11 (3.5%) Strongly Agree
74 (23.6%) Agree
81 (25.9%) Neither Agree or Disagree
107 (34.2%) Disagree
40 (12.8%) Strongly Disagree Please add any additional comments
109 (100.0%)

### Part 2: What do you think about Leatherhead Town Centre?

66 (21.0%) Neither Agree or Disagree 136 (43.2%) Disagree 50 (15.9%) Strongly Disagree Please add any additional comments 146 (100.0%)

### Part 2: What do you think about Leatherhead Town Centre?

 $\ensuremath{\mathbf{Q}} \mathbf{9}$  The town has appropriate information and signage to find your way around

9 (2.9%) Strongly Agree 157 (50.3%) Agree 101 (32.4%) Neither Agree or Disagree 37 (11.9%) Disagree 8 (2.6%) Strongly Disagree Please add any additional comments 69 (100.0%)

## Part 2: What do you think about Leatherhead Town Centre?

106 (34.1%) Neither Agree or Disagree 93 (29.9%) Disagree 19 (6.1%) Strongly Disagree Please add any additional comments 91 (100.0%)

## Part 2: What do you think about Leatherhead Town Centre?

 $Q11\ \mbox{The town}$  is a safe and comfortable place to be

24 (7.7%) Strongly Agree
171 (54.6%) Agree
68 (21.7%) Neither Agree or Disagree
45 (14.4%) Disagree
5 (1.6%) Strongly Disagree Please add any additional comments
93 (100.0%)

## Part 2: What do you think about Leatherhead Town Centre?

128 (41.2%) Agree 66 (21.2%) Neither Agree or Disagree 69 (22.2%) Disagree 34 (10.9%) Strongly Disagree Please add any additional comments 113 (100.0%)

### Part 3: Church Street and High Street

This section of the questionnaire asks about the management of the High Street and Church Street. The District and County Councils have a small amount of money to spend on improvements to these streets in the short term and your answers to the following questions will help both Councils to decide how that money should be spent.

Very important are the arrangements for access and parking. The current arrangements are:

-<u>Private vehicles</u>: may access the High Street from 6pm until 8am the following morning. -<u>Delivery vehicles</u>: may access the High Street from 4.30pm until 10am the following morning. -<u>Pedestrians</u>: the High Street is pedestrianised from 10am to 4.30pm and should be free of vehicles during these hours. - <u>Parking</u>: On-street is permitted between the hours of 6pm and 8am the following morning.

Please let us know what you think of these current arrangements and add any comments you wish in the space provided.

Part 3: Church Street and High Street

109 (34.8%) Neither Agree or Disagree 58 (18.5%) Disagree 31 (9.9%) Strongly Disagree Please add any additional comments 93 (100.0%)

## **Part 3: Church Street and High Street**

#### $\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{14}$ The current arrangements encourage customers to come to the town

18 (5.7%) Strongly Agree
63 (19.9%) Agree 94 (29.7%) Neither
Agree or Disagree 99 (31.3%)
Disagree
42 (13.3%) Strongly Disagree Please add
any additional comments

91 (100.0%)

## Part 3: Church Street and High Street

50 (15.9%) Neither Agree or Disagree 57 (18.1%) Disagree 27 (8.6%) Strongly Disagree Please add any additional comments 96 (100.0%)

### Part 3: Church Street and High Street

#### ${\bf Q16}$ The current arrangements provide a safe environment for users

18 (5.8%) Strongly Agree 123 (39.4%) Agree 86 (27.6%) Neither

Agree or Disagree 64 (20.5%) Disagree

82 (100.0%)

21 (6.7%) Strongly Disagree Please add any additional comments

Part 3: Church Street and High Street

30 (9.7%) Strongly Agree

149 (48.1%) Agree 74 (23.9%) Neither Agree or Disagree 43 (13.9%) Disagree

14 (4.5%) Strongly Disagree Please add any additional comments 66 (100.0%)

### Part 3: Church Street and High Street

#### $\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{1}\mathbf{8}$ The current arrangements assist in protecting the character of the town

7 (2.2%) Strongly Agree

87 (27.6%) Agree 84 (26.7%) Neither
Agree or Disagree 85 (27.0%)
Disagree
52 (16.5%) Strongly Disagree Please add
any additional comments
75 (100.0%)

## Part 3: Church Street and High Street

84 (27.3%) Neither Agree or Disagree 67 (21.8%) Disagree 31 (10.1%) Strongly Disagree Please add any additional comments 75 (100.0%)

### **Part 3: Church Street and High Street**

 $\mathbf{Q20}$  The current arrangements provide suitable access for disabled drivers

15 (4.9%) Strongly Agree 79 (25.6%) Agree 160 (51.9%) Neither Agree or Disagree 41 (13.3%) Disagree 13 (4.2%) Strongly Disagree Please add any additional comments

74 (100.0%)

Part 3: Church Street and High Street

14 (4.5%) Strongly Agree 105 (34.1%) Agree 131 (42.5%) Neither Agree or Disagree 40 (13.0%) Disagree 18 (5.8%) Strongly Disagree Please add any additional comments

62 (100.0%)

### Part 3: Church Street and High Street

Q22 In light of your answers so far, do you think the arrangements for access and parking in Church Street and the High Street should change?

167 (54.0%) Yes 142 (46.0%) No If 'Yes', please outline the arrangements you would like to see, including the times when access for cars, pedestrians and parking should begin or end

140 (100.0%)

#### Part 4: The Future of Leatherhead

In the short to medium term, funding for improvements in the town centre will be very difficult to find. However, a vision for the commercial centre of Leatherhead, supported by the community, will help Mole Valley District Council and Surrey County Council to plan improvements and seek funding when it is available.

