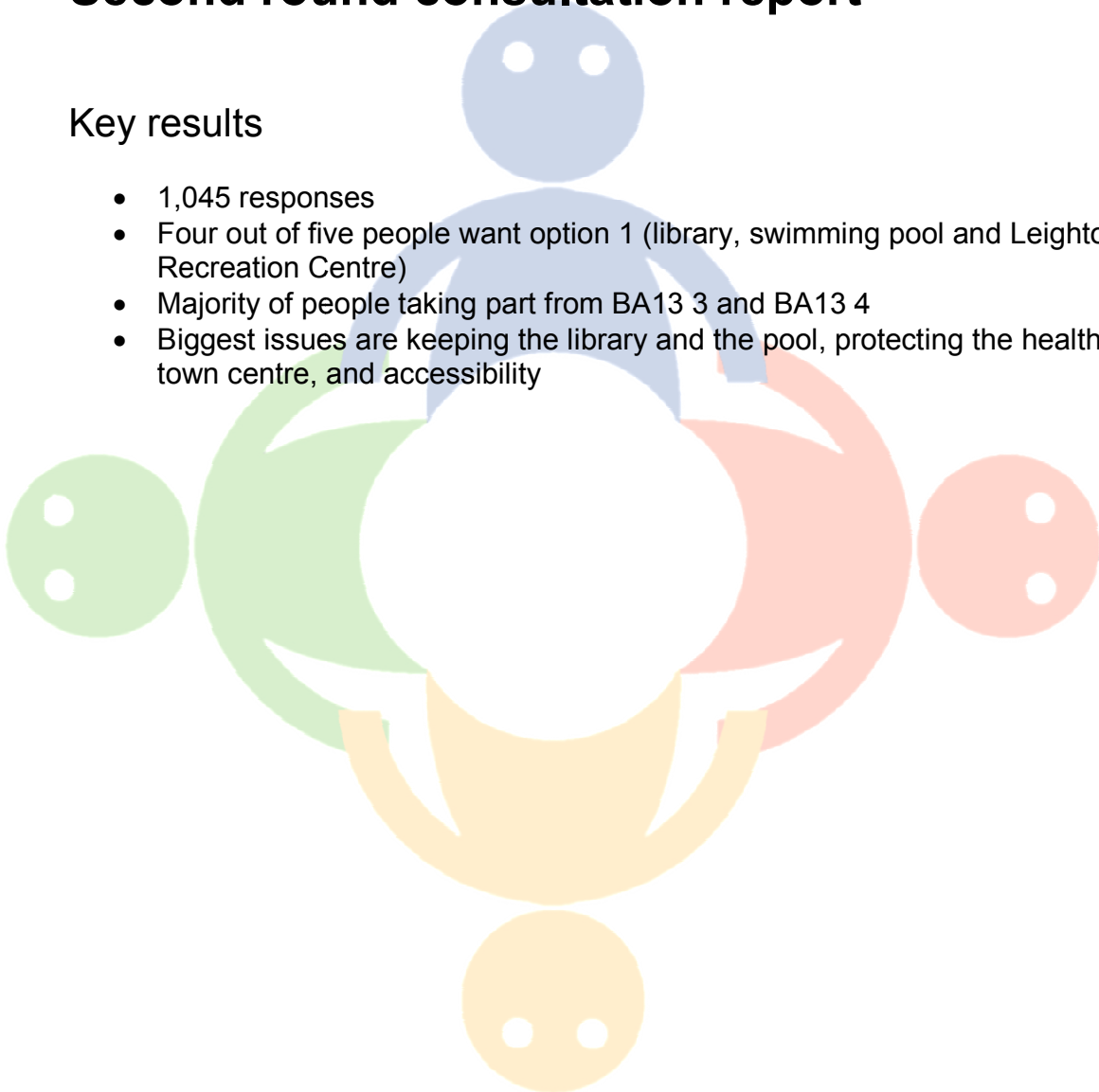




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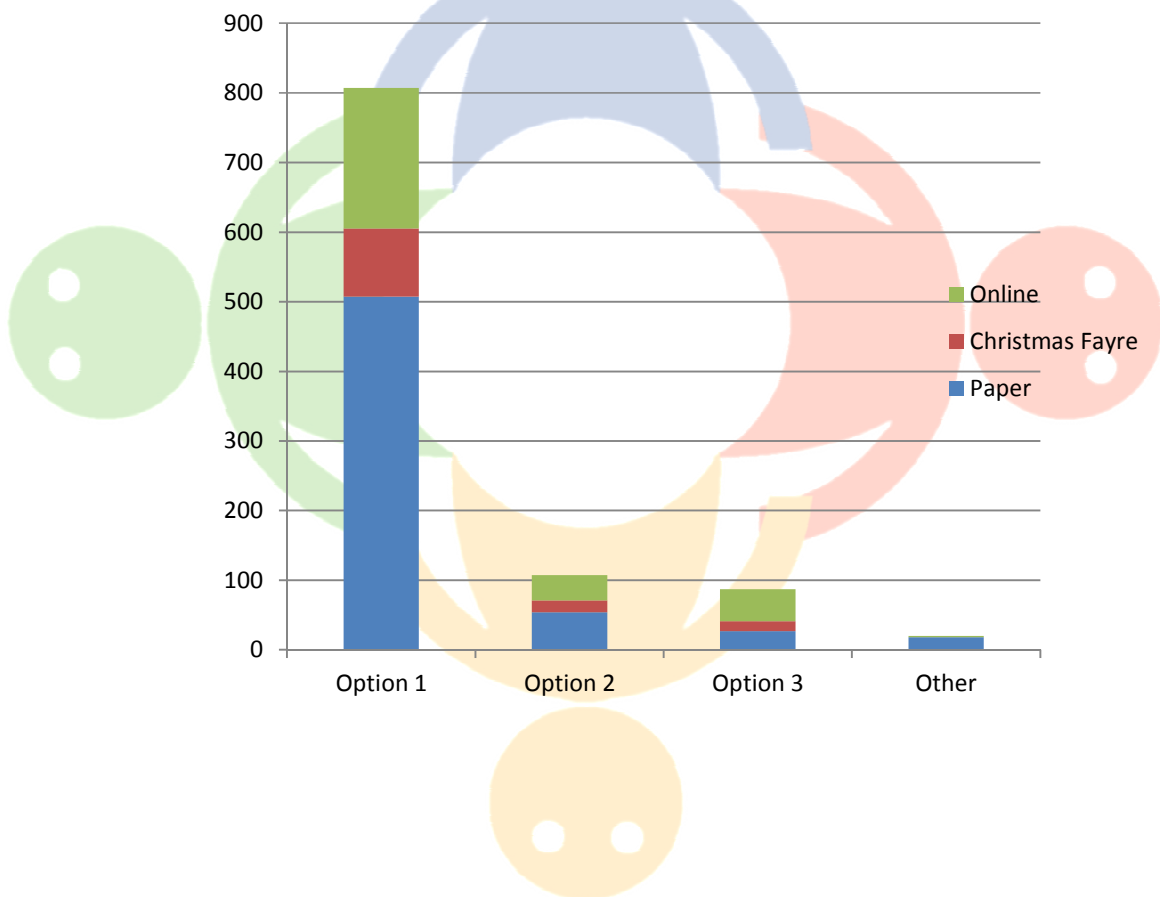
Key results

- 1,045 responses
- Four out of five people want option 1 (library, swimming pool and Leighton Recreation Centre)
- Majority of people taking part from BA13 3 and BA13 4
- Biggest issues are keeping the library and the pool, protecting the health of town centre, and accessibility



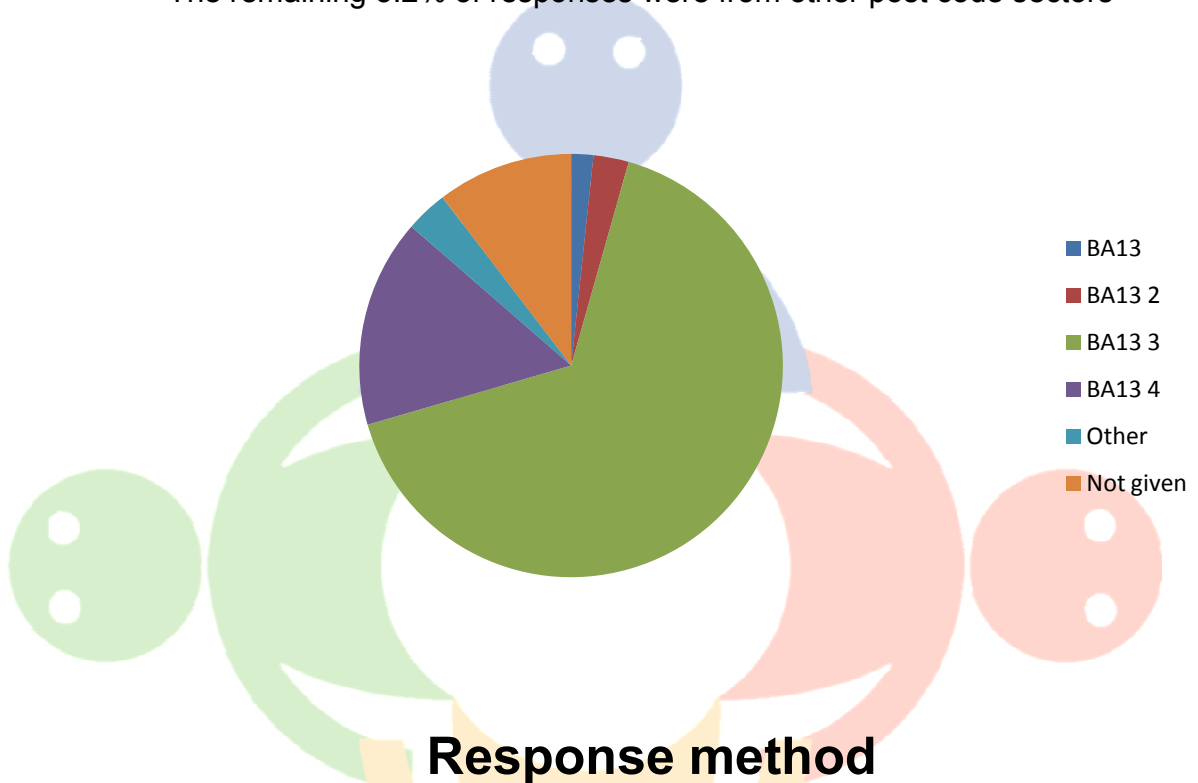
How people responded

Option 1 (library, swimming pool and LRC) 824 (78.9%)
Option 2 (library and LRC) 110 (10.5%)
Option 3 87 (single site) (8.3%)
Other (eg blank or all three or none) 24 (2.3%)

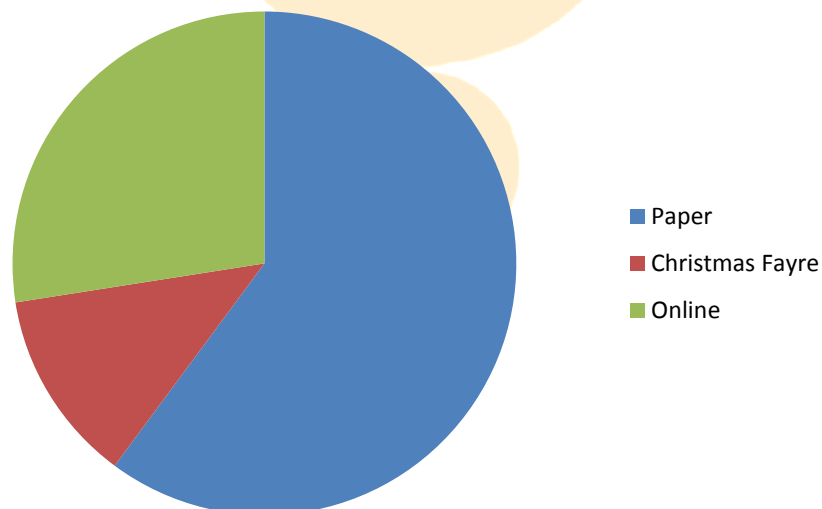


Where were people from?

- The majority (82%) of responses were from post code sectors BA13 3 and BA13 4
- No post code was given by 10.4%
- BA13 2 or just BA13 was given by 4.4%
- The remaining 3.2% of responses were from other post code sectors



Response method



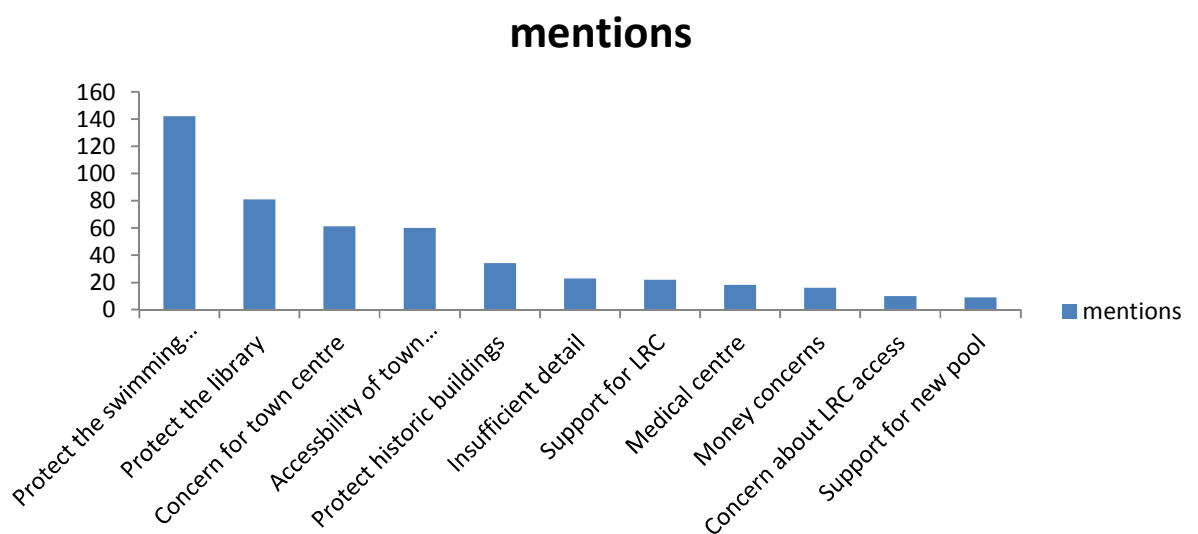
Comment themes

Significant themes (more than 40 mentions):

- Westbury pool is a major asset for the town
- People are strongly attached to the current library (though room for improvement)
- There is extensive concern about the continuing health of the town centre and a fear that an out-of-town campus would be extremely detrimental
- The town centre is seen as accessible to all while out-of-town sites are viewed as being more difficult to access, particularly by the elderly and those without cars.

Other themes (less than 40 mentions):

- Strong desire to see historic buildings protected (usually citing both the library and pool)
- Not enough detail given, particularly on option 3, to be able to make a fully-informed decision
- People liked Leighton Recreation Centre and were positive about it being retained
- The new medical centre is seen as difficult to access
- There is concern about money being wasted
- Access to and from LRC, especially by Wellhead Lane, is seen as problematic and likely to get worse if this site is developed
- Support for a new swimming pool.



Indicative comments

Lack of information

The idea of a campus hasn't been thought out well at all. Without knowing about possible sites, this whole exercise is a complete waste of time and money.

It would be helpful to know where the new site would be for option 3.

Use what we have

Use what we've got its central. Just needs updating. Don't fix what isn't broken.

Please leave everything as it is, a lovely swimming pool and well used as is the library as I have used all my life, so please do not shut them.

We do not need to spend millions building a new site. Please just spend the money on looking after the lovely old buildings we have. Why do we have to keep building grotesque new building for no reason? We already have a lovely swimming pool, library and sports centre all of which myself and my family use.

In this time of austerity why are you considering giving money to developers for new builds when you could repair and maintain the buildings you have, therefore leaving more money available for services in the area.

Westbury already has some really good facilities and I don't see how a new campus can significantly add to what is already in place, and at huge extra cost.

Keep Westbury swimming pool and library upgrade and extend Leighton Library could do with a bit of a face lift.

I think the facilities currently available are good and that money should be spent on improving the existing sites, it would be a real shame to lose the lovely Victorian swimming pool and historic library which are both a big part of Westbury.

If it isn't broken it doesn't need to be fixed.

Make best use of what we already have - Good sports centre - good facilities, good library - excellent location, and great pool - brilliant location. Do not want to repeat of health centre fiasco.

Above all keep Leighton sports fields.

What could be better?

Library could do with a bit of a face lift.

Leighton needs a lot of updates especially outdoor courts. Netball is not considered enough in the whole scheme.

Protect town centre and its heritage

Anything else removed from the town centre will finally drive the last nail in its coffin. Those of us who do not drive will no longer have easy access to any facilities.

I think it's really important to keep the unique buildings in Westbury which reflect Westbury's heritage.

Please do not move anything else from the town centre, or it will die completely if people don't need to go there. Losing the post office, and now the surgery are two examples of taking people away from the centre. Also parking charges has been another discouraging factor.

Other options

The current swimming pool is a great historical building but is too small for most people's purposes. The old swimming pool would make a great space for dramatic productions, musical evenings, and art cinema, as well as the other great ideas already thought of.

Westbury is in urgent need of revitalisation. Here is a good opportunity to bring something exciting to the town. Something that will help to draw the community together. (voted for option 3).

This (option 3) will raise the image of Westbury. We have a young population who travel elsewhere for recreation.

Access

Community services should be as central as possible to avoid creating transport difficulties.

Wellhead Lane was never designed for the amount of traffic now using it, and has certainly not been helped by learner drivers using it, seven days a week. Should any more facilities be added to Leighton Recreation Centre the extra traffic would cause chaos, especially when trying to rejoin the even increasing traffic on the A350.

Westbury already has good facilities in the town centre for all to access. Keep the main features in the town centre.