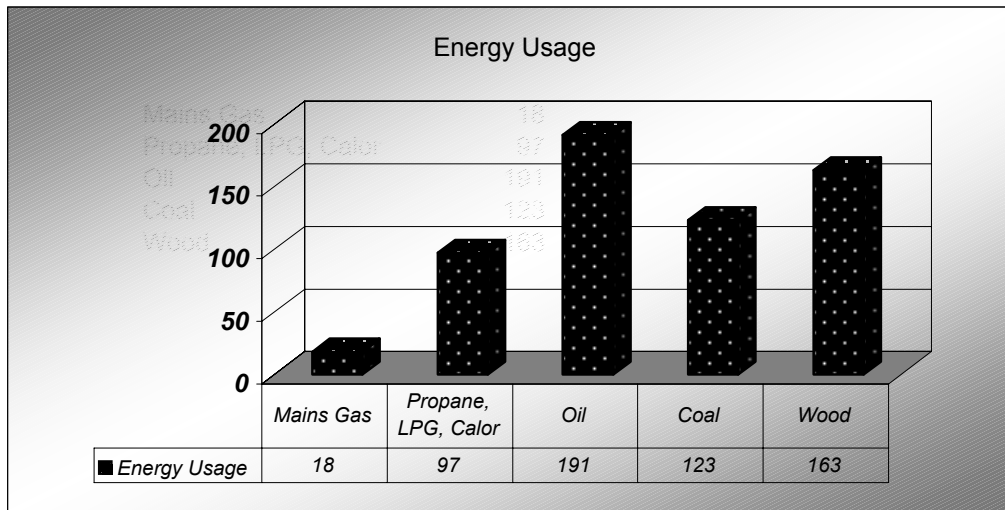


8. Energy and other Utilities

Electricity

- * 335 households responded that they have electricity with 12 not answering the question and none stating they do not have electricity.
- * 240 households stated they have had power cuts of 24 hours or less which is 69% of all households responding. However a large number of 55 did not answer the question and this might have increased the percentage to 85%.
- * Up to September 2002, 34 households (10% of all households responding) had cuts of 24 hours or more. Clearly this percentage would now be nearer 100% following the post-survey cuts.

Other Energy Used



- * Mains gas is available in the Blackmore Park Road area and off the road past the Blackmore Industrial Park.
- * 145 would install mains gas if it were available at reasonable cost. However only 71 out of the 160 respondents in central Hanley Swan are included in this number. Therefore, it is unlikely that the 75% target users over the next 10 years will be achieved.
- * One household responded that they have solar water heating.
- * 13 households are considering installing solar energy. In addition, one is considering wind power, one anything environmentally friendly and one switching to green electricity.