

# 12. Environment

The following answers were given to the questions asked in this section:

	Yes	No	None
Do any footpaths or bridleways in the Parish cross your land?	25	291	31
Do you use footpaths or bridleways in the Parish for recreation?	251	68	28
Is there any general area in the Parish, such as the village greens, the pond at Hanley Swan, the roadside verges generally, which in your opinion is inadequately maintained?	75	226	46
Is there any other issue with the physical environment or landscape which is of concern to you?	57	190	100

The 25 who had footpaths or bridleways crossing their land were asked to describe any problems arising from this. 11 of these did not give a supplementary answer. Of the 14 that did the answers were:

Gates left open - (6)                      Dog problems - (3)                      Litter & maintenance - (4)                      Straying walkers - (1)

The 251 that use footpaths or bridleways in the Parish for recreation were asked a supplementary question as to whether they were generally in the condition that they would wish. 186 stated that they were but 43 said they were not leaving 22 not giving an answer. The 43 were then asked where they have encountered a problem. 8 did not give this additional information but the 36 answers from the remaining 35 were:

Stile problems (for dogs) - (10)                      Obstructions (Vegetation) - (12)                      High stiles - (2)                      Specific paths - (12)

The 75 who indicated that there was an area of the Parish that was inadequately maintained were asked to give details. 16 did not give this additional information. There were 60 answers with 9 miscellaneous responses.

Verges - (29)                      Footpaths & roads - (12)                      Lay-bys - (3)                      Ponds & Trees - (7)

The 57 who had concerns with regard to the physical environment or landscape were asked to give details. 4 did not provide the additional information but the responses from the other 53 included:

Incinerator - (11)                      Trees and hedges - (7)                      Odours and dogs - (3)

32 others gave miscellaneous responses including more litter bins, inappropriate housing development, bonfires, speeding, goose on the pond, Blackmore industrial units, the barrier at Winnington Gardens, the noisy road surface on the B4209, too many power poles and lines, field drainage and the overdevelopment of the Hanley Castle High School site.