Smart Survey analysis

Introduction

This is just a partial analysis, looking at the questions directly related to our proposals to improve / extend the building.

Percentages are rounded up or down to nearest whole figure.

No of responses 171

Question responses

Q7: Please select the statements you agree with:

The OCR is a valuable community facility: 84% agree

The OCR does not need to be improved and modernised: 13% agree

The OCR needs to be improved and modernised: 43% agree

The outdoor play area should be moved away from the traffic to the rear of the building: 31% agree

Q8: To what extent do you agree with the following?

a) The OCR needs better outdoor play areas for children:

53% strongly agree / agree
7% disagree/ strongly disagree

b) The room I need is always available for me to book:

13% strongly agree / agree
27% disagree/ strongly disagree

c) The OCR could benefit from having an extra meeting room on the ground floor for events for small children, smaller groups and small meetings :

56% strongly agree / agree
18% disagree/ strongly disagree

Conclusions:

The OCR is valued.

Almost four times as many people think **the OCR needs to be improved** and modernised than people who think it does not need to be improved

A third of respondents see value in moving the playground away from traffic to the rear of the building - and 53% agree that **the OCR needs a better outdoor play area for children**

Twice as many people report problems securing the room they want, than those who report that the room they want is always available. So there is some evidence that **the OCR has a shortage of meeting rooms**.

Three times as many people agree that the OCR could benefit from having an extra meeting room room for smaller groups / events than those who disagree with that view. So a majority of respondents thing **the OCR would benefit from having an extra meeting room.**

Possible next steps

Arrange meetings with regular user groups to discuss these issues.

If these meetings also suggest that there is community support for improving the OCR, we could publish the architect's drawings and seek resident's views about them.

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