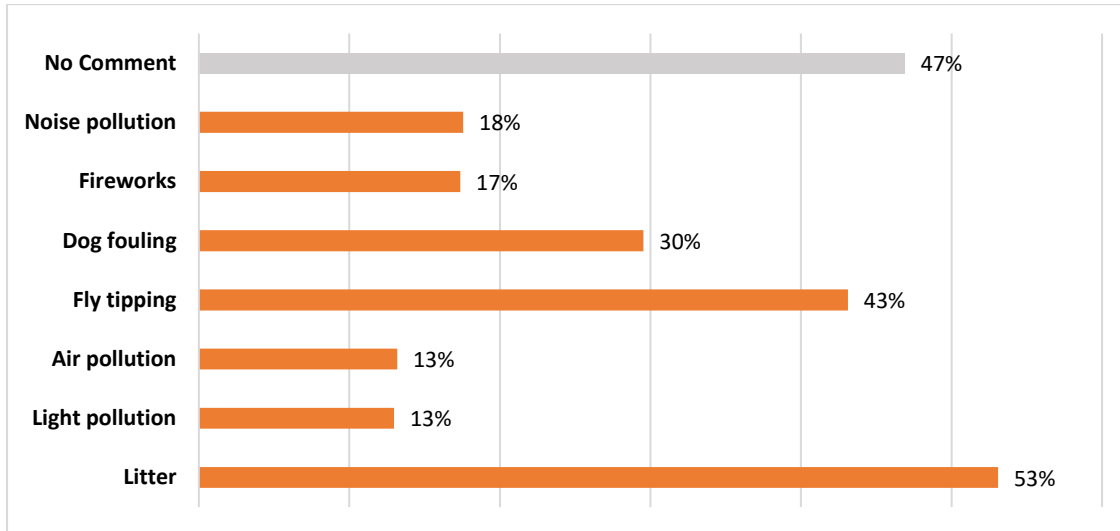


## S8 Environment

### 8.1 Do you consider any of the following to be a problem in the parish?



#### 8.1 Feedback summary

Litter and fly tipping followed by dog fouling are the greatest concerns. This is thought to be partly due to the higher number of visitors to the area with the increase in campsite visitors and day trippers using this part of the National Park during Covid restrictions.

The other issues are more localised, resulting from house lighting pollution, neighbours' bonfires and barking dogs; with traffic increasing, air and road noise is an increased concern.

It is pleasing to note that there were many comments thanking the volunteers who go out on regular litter patrols helping to clear up our surroundings.

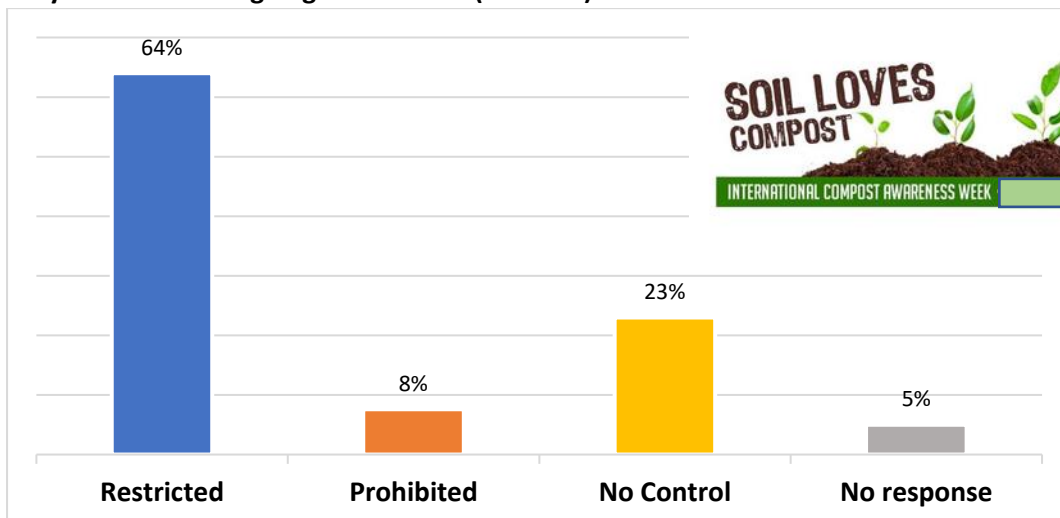
All areas seem to have litter problems from vehicles throwing out their rubbish out on to the verges. McDonalds seem to be the main source of rubbish picked up.

Car parks seem to be the main areas suffering from fly tipping.

Dog fouling seems to be more concentrated and made worse by owners leaving their poo bags lying around or 'decorating trees'!

#### 8.2 Garden Waste

##### Do you think burning of garden waste (bonfires) should be controlled?



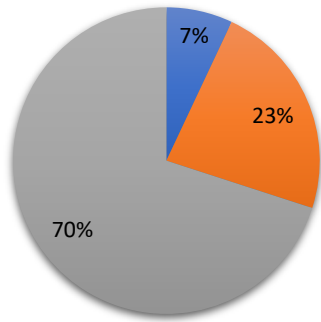
**8.2 Garden Waste - Feedback summary**

There is a clear wish to have some control over bonfires.

In general, the responses highlight the importance of consideration and timing of when bonfires should take place. There is recognition that in areas with small gardens, neighbours are more impacted and the necessity is far less when a green bin could be used.

*“Drainage ditches need to be cleared.”*

**8.3 Flooding: Do you experience flooding or surface water problems?**



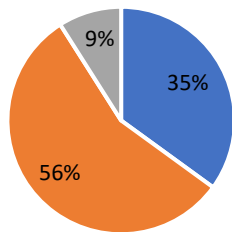
■ Yes ■ No ■ No response

**8.3 Feedback summary**

23% of responders have flooding problems. These are diverse and difficult to quantify, however, the lack of ditch and drainage maintenance appears to be a key contributor. This is becoming more of an issue with the change in climate. This is covered in Section 9.

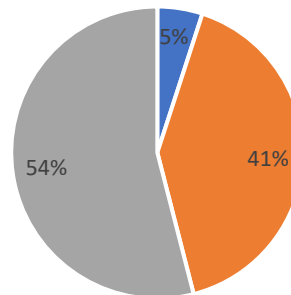
**8.4 Environmental Volunteering**

**Are you aware of environmental volunteer groups in the Parish?**



■ Yes ■ No ■ No Response

**Are you a member of any?**



■ Yes ■ No ■ No Response

**8.4 Feedback summary**

56% of responders are unaware of the environmental volunteer groups within the Parish. However, it is good to see the diverse and active volunteering that does take place.

Other questions highlighted the interest and concern for our local environment. There was also thanks and appreciation for the work done, particularly by the litter pickers

## S8 Environment

### Our Aims

- 1. Reduce pollution**
- 2. Reduce the impact of bonfires in the community**
- 3. Reduce flooding**
- 4. Increase environmental awareness within the Parish**
- 5. Increase volunteering to benefit the community**

AIM	ACTION	BY WHOM?	TARGET TIMESCALE
<b>What we can do as individuals</b>			
1,5	Join a litter patrol	All	Ongoing
1	Be more considerate with the use of fireworks	All	Ongoing
2	Consider using a Green Bin or composting. Consider impact of a bonfire.	All	Ongoing
3	Flooding. Impacted individuals to bring to the attention of the individual responsible, advising the Parish Council and Wiltshire Council, if necessary, to ensure that the riparian responsibilities are implemented or enforced	All	Ongoing
4,5	Join a local environment group ( <i>details for these can be found in Horizon\the Parish Directory</i> )	All	6 months/ongoing
<b>What we plan to do as a parish</b>			
1	Regular community litter patrols	All	Ongoing
1	Dog fouling reduction Ideas? Increase the number of poo bins locations	Parish Council/ Wiltshire Council	Within 6 months
4	Increase publicity and awareness of the environmental volunteering activities in the Parish	LPCP/ Parish Council	6 months
<b>What we are asking others to do</b>			
1	Continue to emphasise Litter Awareness in the Schools	School/ Wiltshire Council	12 months
1	Join forces with other parishes to bring pressure on McDonalds to provide litter pickers	Parish Council/ Wiltshire Council	12 months
1	Controlling fly tipping, encouraging new ideas and publicising incidents	Parish Council/ Wiltshire Council	Ongoing
2	Publicise: a) The availability and use of Green Bins b) Good bonfire management c) The role of the Environmental Officer	Parish Council	Ongoing
2	In the original Plan there was a request for the production of a 'Good Practice Guide for Bonfires'. This was not developed but is needed	Parish Council	Ongoing
3	Parish Council and Wiltshire Council, to ensure that riparian responsibilities are implemented or enforced to prevent flooding	Parish Council/ Wiltshire Council	Ongoing