



Feckenham Parish Housing Needs Survey

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Executive Summary

The Feckenham Parish Housing Needs Survey (November 2025) provides evidence on local housing needs to inform planning policy and development discussions. Feckenham is a small rural parish with strong heritage and environmental constraints, high home ownership, and an ageing population, limiting opportunities for large-scale growth.

Survey results (62 responses; ~16% of households) indicate support for **small-scale, sensitively designed housing**, with strong community involvement in development decisions. Around **32% of respondents anticipate a housing need within five years**, equating to an estimated requirement for **approximately 20 homes**. Demand is focused on **smaller dwellings, particularly two- and three-bedroom homes and bungalows for downsizing older residents**, with limited demand for flats or terraced housing.

There is evidence of **affordable housing need**, with 15% unable to afford market housing and broad support for affordable homes for local people. Respondents emphasised protecting the village’s character, green spaces, and conservation areas, and highlighted the need for **infrastructure improvements**, particularly transport, parking, and access to services.

Overall, the findings support **modest, mixed-tenure housing growth aligned with local character and infrastructure capacity**.

1. Introduction

This report presents the findings of the **Feckenham Parish Housing Needs Survey**, carried out in November 2025 to provide up-to-date evidence on the housing circumstances, needs and aspirations of residents in Feckenham. The survey is intended to guide local decision-making by **Feckenham Parish Council** and to inform any future review of local planning policy, housing strategy, and community-led initiatives.

The survey aimed to:

- Understand how well existing housing meets the needs of current residents.
- Identify whether there is demand for new housing, and if so the types, sizes and tenures required.
- Capture residents' views on development, local amenities, infrastructure, and affordable housing — including the extent to which housing and services meet needs now and may do so in the future.
- Provide a robust evidence base to guide future planning, development proposals, or community-led housing initiatives.

Feckenham is a rural parish in Worcestershire, under the Borough of Redditch. According to the 2021 Census, the parish had a population of **817 residents** over **363 households**. Royal Mail addressed mailing service detailed 385 addresses in 2025.

The parish includes a traditional village centre with a conservation-area village green, a historic church, a village hall, village shop (volunteer-run), pubs, recreation clubs, and community facilities. At the same time, much of the parish lies within Green Belt and Conservation Area designations, which shape the scope for new development.

Given these characteristics — small scale, rural context, heritage, and environmental constraints — the survey's findings and subsequent recommendations focus on **proportionate, locally appropriate housing** rather than large-scale development.

2. Current Housing and Local Context

2.1 Population and Household Structure

- According to the 2021 Census, Feckenham Parish has **817 residents in 363 households**.
- The age structure shows a mix: children, working-age adults, and older residents; this mix underpins potential demand across life-stages
- Educational attainment in the wider ward (which includes Feckenham) appears above national averages: a high proportion of residents hold Level 4 (degree or higher) qualifications.

2.2 Tenure and Housing Type

- In Feckenham / the associated ward, around **75% of households own their home (outright or with mortgage)**; approximately **25% rent (private rental or social/affordable)** — a higher rate of homeownership than the national average.
- The housing stock is characteristic of a rural Worcestershire village: traditional houses, many detached dwellings, historic buildings (in a conservation area), a village green, and a mix of older and newer properties.
- Community assets and amenities are significant: the village supports a volunteer-run shop, two pubs, a village hall, recreation clubs including football and cricket, even a village cinema and local radio — indicating a socially active and engaged community.

2.3 Local Infrastructure, Services and Environment

- Feckenham retains a strong rural character, much of it within Green Belt or Conservation Area, and the parish is surrounded by countryside.
- The limited scale of the village — and the conservation/Green Belt designation — mean that major development would be unlikely or heavily constrained.
- Local amenities and community infrastructure are important to residents' quality of life; the existing village shop, pubs, village hall, clubs and community institutions help sustain social cohesion and meet local needs.
- The village lacks good public transport links which leaves residents without a car very isolated.

2.4 Pressures and Challenges

Based on local knowledge, census data and comparable rural trends, several pressures and challenges are already evident or likely to impact Feckenham:

- Limited availability of affordable housing or rental accommodation, which may constrain younger people, first-time buyers, or lower-income households from living in the parish.
- Potential under-supply of smaller homes — for example, properties suitable for downsizing older residents, single people, or young couples.
- The need to balance any future housing demand with conservation of the village’s historic character, natural environment, and community identity.

2.5 Community Resilience & Social Fabric

Despite pressures, Feckenham benefits from a strong community spirit and a range of local amenities and institutions — the village shop, social clubs, pubs, recreation facilities, volunteer-led organisations, and social infrastructure that support intergenerational engagement.

This cohesion is a strength if housing and development are carefully managed — it suggests that modest growth, sensitively designed, could help maintain viability of services and ensure a mixed, sustainable local population (families, older residents, working households).

3. Methodology

3.1 Survey design and distribution

- A questionnaire was developed covering household composition, current housing situation, future housing needs, tenure and affordability preferences, and views on local amenities and infrastructure.
- The questionnaire was made available both as a **paper form** (delivered to every household in the parish) and as an **online version** to maximise accessibility and convenience.
- Publicity was provided via the Parish Council

3.2 Data collected

The survey asked about:

- Attitudes towards development
- Attitudes towards affordable housing
- Views on local amenities
- Household make-up (age/number of people).
- Future housing needs — If they expect a change in need, reason for the change.
- House type, size and tenure preferences

3.3 Data analysis & confidentiality

- Responses were collected anonymously. Quantitative data have been summarised in tables and charts; qualitative responses (free text) analysed to identify recurring themes, concerns and aspirations.

3.4 Limitations

- As participation is voluntary, not all households responded, results therefore reflect the views of respondents and may not capture every viewpoint.
- Self-reported data may be subject to bias (e.g. intended future needs).
- Given the small size of the parish, the number of households seeking new housing is modest — findings should be regarded as indicative rather than absolute.
- The data collected here cannot show whether households are eligible for affordable housing.
- As the data was collected anonymously duplication of responses could occur and steps were taken to remove duplicated responses

4. Survey Results

4.1 Response Rate

In total, 65 **completed surveys** were returned, representing a **response rate of approximately 17% of households**. The forms were completed anonymously, 39 responses were by return of mailed surveys and 43 were completed online each from a different IP address, there were 3 duplications identified and removed from the analysis.

This means 62 responses were analysed, representing 16% of households. This is a good response and provides a reliable indication of community views.

4.2 Demographics

The demographics of the participants were 67% of respondents being over 50 and 16% being 18-49 and 17% being under 18.

4.3 Attitudes to development

Respondents were asked to indicate their agreement with a series of statements about development.

Statement	Agreed	Percentage
The community needs to be involved in the development process	60	97%
It will be good to provide homes in a few small group	46	74%
It will be good to build larger groups of houses	0	
We need more homes suitable for local families (2-4 bed houses)	33	53%
We need more homes suitable for singles and couples (1-2 bed flat or house)	29	47%
We need more homes suitable for local pensioners to downsize or suit changing mobility (1-2 bed single story dwelling)	43	69%
We need more homes for local key workers	17	27%

Table 1: Attitude to Development in Feckenham

4.4 Locations to develop and avoid

There were 35 responses to a request for site suggestions. There were 10 mentions of the site of Winfield's and the land around it. 3 mentions of land at Astwood lane. 2 mentions of the catholic church site. Also Land between Dunstall Court and Winfield's and between Yeates Close and Feckenham Gardens, Berrow hill, Droitwich Road, Moors Lane, cider mill on Droitwich Lane and Rocky Hill Lane.

There were 38 responses suggesting where not to develop. Concerns about Astwood land, Dunstall court, and Winford's sites being liable to flooding were raised by 5 comments. The centre of the village and the green spaces within it, the greenbelt and farmland should be avoided (6). Four people suggested the whole village and 6 people would avoid the green belt. Many people commented on the need to protect conservation areas and recreational and green spaces.

4.5 Housing Needs

A total of 62 households responded, 32% of these expressed a housing need in the next 5 years. Over the next 5 years at least 20 homes will be required in Feckenham.

Respondents were asked to select reasons for moving; they were asked to select all that applied to their change in housing need. The biggest reason for a change in housing needs is a change in health or mobility (12). This is concurrent with the higher percentage of older residents responding. The three other main reasons for a change in housing need are changes in household composition (5) and struggling to afford their current home (4). Less significant reasons were wanting to buy (2), house being too small (2) and house being too big (2), being closer to family or support networks (1) and end of tenancy/landlord decision (1). It is interesting to note that there was no response for housing being in poor condition or disrepair. The other category had a high level of response (8); 3 respondents expressed that they would anticipate a need to move due to changes in affordability, 1 mentioned the garden was too big, 2 responses were expressing either no change or difficulty answering.

Reasons for change in housing need	Responses	Percentage
Struggling to afford current home	4	20%
Current home is too small	2	10%
Current home is too large	2	10%
Change in household composition (e.g. marriage, children, separation, family loss)	5	25%
Change in health or accessibility needs	12	60%
Poor housing condition or disrepair	0	
End of tenancy/ landlord decision	1	5%
Need to be closer to work, school, services	0	
Need to be closer to family or support networks	1	5%
Want to buy	2	10%
Other	8	40%

Table 2: Reason for Change in Housing Needs in Feckenham

The most required house types are bungalows (9), semi-detached houses (4), and detached houses (3). Terraced houses (0) and flats/maisonettes (0) are not required. Other responses were do not know (1) and barn conversion (1).

The most required house size is 2 bedrooms (8). Houses with 3 bedrooms (7) and 4 bedrooms (2) are also in demand. 1-bedroom (1) and 5+ bedroom (1) properties are needed. One responded to other and requested either 1,2 or 3 bedrooms. Where multiple house types have been written down in other, these have been added in brackets to the table below.

Cross correlating house type and size shows the housing need is for:

	Bungalow	Semi-Detached House	Detached House	Terrace House	Flat/ Maisonette	Other	Total
1 Bed		1				(1)	1(1)
2 Bed	6	1				(1)	7 (1)
3 Bed	3	1	1			(1)	5 (1)
4 Bed		1	1				2
5+ Bed			1				1
Total	9	4	3	0	0	(3)	

Table 3: House type and size needed

With respect to tenure, respondents were asked to indicate all the tenures they would consider. The most requested tenure is ownership either with or without mortgage (18). Then Renting with a housing association (3), shared ownership (2) and renting privately (1). There were no other tenures mentioned. This shows that there is interest in at least 5 affordable housing units. Ascertaining whether these participants would be eligible for affordable housing is beyond the scope of this survey. Interestingly, only 1 respondent declared they were on the housing list with 2 intending to register because of this survey. It is possible that relying on housing waiting list data alone is not accurately indicative of affordable housing needs.

Tenure	Responses	Percentage
Rent (Housing Association)	3	13%
Rent (Private)	1	4%
Shared Ownership	2	8%
Market Sale	18	75%
Other	0	

Table 4: Tenure of housing need

4.6 Access to Amenities

Participants were asked to respond to how important access to certain amenities; public transport, shops, open space, parking, electric vehicle charging, Doctors Surgery / Local Health Centre, Nursery School / Local Childcare, Primary School, Sports & Recreation Facilities, Children's Playground are to them.

The overall rating for these amenities shows that access to open space (191) is the most important followed by a shop (166), parking (164), public transport (109), and lastly electric vehicle charging (57).

	Very Important (2)	Very Important (1)	Neutral (0)	Unimportant (-1)	Very unimportant (-2)	Score
Open Space	46	13	2	0	0	105
Drs surgery/ local health Centre	29	23	8	0	1	79
Parking	29	23	4	3	1	76
Sports & recreation	22	26	11	1	1	72
Primary school	28	20	10	2	1	72
Nursery/ childcare	24	22	12	1	1	67
Children's playground	25	21	12	2	1	67
Shop	21	21	12	4	2	55
Public Transport	25	22	9	3	2	54
EV Charging	10	27	18	3	3	38

Table 5: Importance of access to amenities

In the open comments, 5 people mentioned the village hall as an important local amenity. There were 4 comments about the need to improve parking in the village. The village shop is mentioned by 3 people who expressed a need to protect it. 1 request for a gym for all ages, 1 comment about the importance of keeping the cricket and football ground and another highlights the importance of maintaining footpaths and bridle ways and another the need to support biodiversity and habitat. Others pointed out a need to improve connection to high-speed internet for working from home, also increased commercial building for local businesses.

4.7 Attitudes towards Affordable Housing

Respondents were given the following brief information about affordable housing:

- Affordable housing is providing homes for sale or rent for those whose needs are not met by the market.

- These are through government-backed schemes such as social/affordable rent, discounted market sales, rent to buy, and shared ownership.
- These people are often key workers, low-income families, first-time buyers, the elderly, people with disabilities, or long-term health issues.

A list of statements was given, and respondents were asked to show which statements they agreed with. The results show that there is a high percentage of respondents that agree that affordable housing for local people is needed (61%) and would support affordable housing being made available in the parish (47%). This would suggest that developments that provided some or entirely affordable housing could be supported by the community.

There were 9 (15%) respondents that could not afford open market housing in the parish and 6 (10%) would apply for affordable housing if it became available in the village. This demonstrates a need for affordable housing in Feckenham.

Statement		
We need more homes that are affordable for local people	38	61%
My household cannot afford open market housing in this parish	9	15%
If affordable housing became available in the parish my household would apply for it	6	10%
Affordable rented housing is needed	29	47%
Affordable home ownership is needed	32	52%
I would support affordable housing being made available in the parish	29	47%

Table 6: Attitudes to affordable housing

In the open-ended comments section on affordable housing, 21 comments were made. Many people (5) expressed the importance of having housing that was affordable for families to keep the village vibrant. A few (4) were concerned about there being proper improvements to infrastructure and amenities to provide for people with lower incomes. Others (4) expressed that it was important that housing remained affordable in perpetuity. It is important that affordable housing is for local people (5). Further to this, that affordable rental properties were kept for local people. A few (3) commented that the affordable housing on Yeates Acre has had little turnover, so others are not able to access the affordable housing available there. Opinions expressed that new developments need to be small and of mixed tenure, well designed, with plenty of open space. No more executive homes are needed.

4.8 Other information on needs and issues around housing in the area

In the open comments section at the end much was shared; 22 respondents left comments. It was highlighted that Feckenham is a rural village and that this characteristic must be maintained. Affordable housing must be provided for local residents, and there is a particular need for suitable properties for downsizing that are located within easy walking distance of local amenities. It is highlighted that local amenities and infrastructure need to improve to support development. Respondents would like to have a sense of the parish council being inclusive and have more accurate representation of the community within the councillors i.e., more young people and families. A need for improved transport to support mobility and decrease isolation of younger and older people without access to private vehicles. There was some resistance to any more housing in the village. There was also a request that new houses are ecologically constructed without bricks. That traffic management and improved parking is needed particularly in the village centre. There were concerns that the smaller roads that link the village to larger towns would need improvement to manage larger flows of traffic. The preservation of the historic and rural characteristics of the village is vital, thus making it unsuitable for large developments. There needs to be more support for owners of the conservation area houses to maintain them. There needs to be more options for older people to downsize and stay in the community. Also, any development needs to avoid making flooding issues.

4.9 Summary of Housing Needs and Community Priorities

Future housing needs and community priorities in Feckenham include:

- Housing suited to **downsizing older residents** — single-storey or easy-access homes, with 2 or 3 bedrooms.
- Demand for **smaller, affordable homes for families** – semidetached 2, 3 and 4 bedrooms.
- Some need for **rental accommodation** (private or affordable) — to support people working locally or unable to buy, or younger people seeking to remain in the area.
- High level of support for **community involvement in development**, where new homes are developed with local needs and design in mind, potentially helping to retain affordability and community character.
- Ensuring any new development is small and **sensitive to the village character**, and accompanied by infrastructure and services particularly public transport, access to healthcare, increased parking, access to recreation and improved access to amenities for children e.g., childcare, school and playground.

- It is important to maximise the sustainability of the community — retaining local amenities (shop, village hall, open space, and recreation grounds), encouraging local engagement and social cohesion, and supporting mixed-age, mixed-income housing to avoid demographic imbalance.

5. Conclusions and Policy Implications

Based on the context, data, and housing pressures, the following conclusions and recommendations emerge for Feckenham Parish Council and relevant local authorities:

5.1 Need for Modest, Sensitive Housing Growth

- There is a case for limited, small-scale housing development to meet local needs — particularly smaller, affordable homes and dwellings for downsizing older residents. Large-scale development would risk undermining the village’s character, heritage, and rural environment.
- New homes should respect local design, conservation of area constraints, and environmental sensitivities.

5.2 Diversifying Tenure and Addressing Affordability

- Encourage a mix of tenures — not just owner-occupation but also affordable homes or rental properties — to support residents across different income and life-stages.
- Explore options for community-led or self-build housing initiatives, which may offer more flexible, affordable, and locally appropriate housing than standard market-led development.

5.3 Sustaining Community Infrastructure and Services

- Recognise that housing and community infrastructure are interlinked: modest growth could help maintain or enhance viability of the village shop, village hall and other social amenities by increasing and diversifying the local population.
- Any development proposals should be considered in the context of their impact on local services, environment, and village character. They must make provisions for parking.
- Open spaces must be maintained and provided within developments
- Improvements to access healthcare, childcare, recreation space and public transport links are needed.

5.4 Governance, Planning & Local Policy

- Feckenham Parish Council should use the survey findings to engage with the Borough of Redditch (and relevant planning bodies) to ensure local housing needs are understood and considered in strategic planning.
- Feckenham parish council should explore ways to engage young people and families and ensure the community is involved as early as possible in development proposals.
- Policies or planning guidance should reflect the need for small-scale, mixed-tenure, affordable housing — via rural exception sites, community-led housing, or other bespoke mechanisms.
- Protect the conservation, heritage and environmental character of the parish when considering any new housing — reflecting Feckenham’s designation and the value residents place on its village identity.

6. Next Steps

Publish the full survey report and share with the **Borough of Redditch** and other relevant agencies.

Identify whether there are any **suitable small sites** in the parish that might support modest housing development without compromising village character.

Explore community-led housing or rural exception site options to meet housing needs.

Engage with residents, community groups, and local stakeholders to develop a **shared vision** for how Feckenham can grow (modestly) in a way that supports community sustainability and preserves its character.

7. Conclusion

Feckenham is a vibrant rural village with a strong community identity, valuable heritage, and a range of local amenities that support resident well-being. At the same time, it faces many of the housing and affordability pressures common to rural parishes. A careful, evidence-based approach — grounded in local needs, improving infrastructure, respect for heritage and environment, and support for mixed-tenure and inclusive housing that engages with the community as early as possible — can help ensure Feckenham remains a sustainable, welcoming, and resilient community for current and future generations.

Appendix 1: Survey

Feckenham Housing Needs Survey - November 2025

This Housing Needs Survey has been commissioned by Feckenham Parish Council to assess the local housing needs over the next 5 years. The information gathered will be used to influence what is provided in our local area.

As you may be aware, the government has recently set mandatory housing targets and Redditch Borough Council are currently seeking land to meet its targets. It is no longer a question of whether there will be any future development in and around Feckenham but more what, where and how any development is planned.

Now is the time to have your voices heard and to make sure that whatever growth is allocated to our area, it is appropriate and meets the needs of our community.

By filling out this survey you are having your say. If you would like to get more involved in this conversation, please get in touch via the Clerk and/or attend Parish Council meetings.

Please complete this survey paper and return it in the envelope provided. If you would like to complete this online or know of family members that would like to live in the parish, please invite them to complete it online using the QR code below.

The report from this data will be fully anonymised. Any identifying data will be removed. None of the data will be shared with third parties.



QR code to complete the survey online

Survey contact: Rebecca Seignior, Rural housing Enabler:
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Section 1 - Local Housing

Due to the mandatory housing targets from the government, it is not possible to block development in your local area, but you can influence what, where and how growth might happen by responding to the questions below:

1. How much do you agree with the following statements about development in your local area...

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree
The community needs to be involved in the development process	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It will be good to provide homes in a few small groups	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It will be good to build larger groups of houses	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
We need more homes suitable for local families (2-4 bed houses)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
We need more homes suitable for singles and couples (1-2 bed flat or house)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
We need more homes suitable for local pensioners to downsize or suit changing mobility (1-2 bed single storey dwelling)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
We need more homes for local key workers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

2. Are there areas in the parish you think are most suited to being developed and why?

3. Are there areas in the parish that should be avoided for development and why?

Section 2 - Affordable Housing

- Affordable housing is providing homes for sale or rent for those whose needs are not met by the market.
- These are through government-backed schemes such as social/affordable rent, discounted market sales, rent to buy, and shared ownership.
- These people are often key workers, low-income families, first-time buyers, the elderly, people with disabilities, or long-term health issues.

4. How much do you agree with the following statements:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
We need more homes that are affordable for local people	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My household cannot afford open market housing in this parish	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
If affordable housing became available in the parish my household would apply for it	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Affordable rented housing is needed	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Affordable home ownership is needed	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I would support affordable housing being made available in the parish	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

5. Any other comments about affordable housing in the parish?

Section 3 - Local Amenities

Growth is not just about housing. Local amenities also need to be considered. Please add your views on this below.

6. How important is access to the following amenities

	Very Important	Important	Neutral	Unimportant	Very Unimportant
Public Transport	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Shops within walking distance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Open space	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Car parking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Electric Vehicle Charging	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Doctors Surgery / Local Health Centre	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Nursery School / Local Childcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Primary School	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sports & Recreation Facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Children's Playground	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

7. How often do you use public transport?

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Seasonally
- Rarely
- Never
- Other (please specify)

8. Other things that should be considered about local amenities:

Section 4 - Your Household and Housing Needs

This section is about your household and housing need in the next 5 years. Life can be unpredictable and our housing needs can change without us foreseeing it. Housing needs can change due to changes in our household e.g children leaving home; illness; relationship changes; changes in employment etc. So if you can take a moment to think about any changes that are likely to happen in the next 5 years and include these in your answers this could help us be more accurate in anticipating the needs of the community over time.

9. How many people live in your household?

	1	2	3	4	5
Under 18	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
18-50	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
51-65	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Over 65	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

10. Does your household expect a change in need over the next 5 years?

- Yes (Go to question 11)
- No (Go to question 16)
- Not sure (Go to question 11)

11. Which of the following statements apply to your change in housing need (tick all that apply)

- Struggling to afford current home
- Current home is too small
- Current home is too large
- Change in household composition (e.g marriage, children, separation, family loss etc)
- Change in health or accessibility needs
- Poor housing condition or disrepair
- End of tenancy/landlord decision
- Need to be closer to work, school, services
- Need to be closer to family or support networks
- Want to buy
- Other (please specify)

12. What type of dwelling will you need?

- Bungalow
- Flat/maisonette
- Terraced House
- Semi-detached House
- Detached House
- Other (please specify)

13. How many bedrooms will you need?

- Studio
- 1 Bedroom
- 2 Bedroom
- 3 Bedroom
- 4 Bedroom
- 5 Bedroom +
- Other (please specify)

14. What type of ownership would you consider? (tick all you would consider)

- Rent - Housing Association
- Rent - Private
- Shared Ownership (part rent/part buy)
- Owned (with/without Mortgage)
- Other (please specify)

15. If you wish to rent a housing association property you need to be on the housing waiting list. Applications are made through Redditch Borough Council "Redditch Homes". To register your household visit <https://www.redditchbc.gov.uk/residents/my-home/find-me-a-home/redditch-homes/>

- Yes I have applied
- Yes I will apply
- No I will not
- This does not apply to me

Section 5 - Any other comments

16. If there any other information you would like to share about housing needs or connected issues in your area? Please use the box below. Thank you.

Thank you

Thank you for completing this survey. Please complete and return by 17th November 2025.

Please complete this survey paper and return it in the envelope provided. If you would like to complete this online or know of family members that would like to live in the parish, please invite them to complete it online using the QR code below.

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