

What's important in the Llŷn Area -

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Number of responses = 75

Gender	Number
Men	13
Women	19
Think of yourself in a different way	0
Not answered	43
Total	75

Age	Number
17 or younger	0
18-29	7
30-39	6
40-49	7
50-59	7
60-69	4
70 or older	2
Not answered	42
Total	75

Question 2 - Note up to 3 things that makes your area a nice place to live.

Comments	Number
The natural environment - landscape	53
Social spirit / social activities	34
Views / Beauty	31
The Welshness of the area	30
Tranquillity / Silence	26
Feel safe / low crime levels	13
Feeling of belonging - friends and family / neighbours	11
The choice of shops / public houses	6
Heritage and the area's culture	4
Good transport links	3
Condition of roads	2
Low cost of living	2
Welsh medium education	1
The weather / climate	1
No pollution	1
Work in the area	1
Total	219

Question 3 - Note up to 3 things that are not as good about living in your area.

Comments	Number
Unemployment / lack of good quality jobs - leads to young people leaving the area	27
Having to travel everywhere / distance to work	25
High house prices / lack of affordable housing	25
Too many incomers - impact on the Welsh language/culture and living costs	23
Public transport /lack of connections	16
No facilities in villages	14
Too many second homes/holiday homes	11
Lack of bilingualism in the area / racism	9
Telephone signal / web access	9
Appearance of streets - litter / dog faeces	6
Pressure on GPs - unable to get an appointment	6
Too many visitors	6
Low / seasonal wages	5
Crime - People using drugs / antisocial behaviour	4
Condition of our roads / streets / pavements	4
Impact of Council cuts	3
Quality of Education	2
Too many large shops / chains e.g. Wetherspoons/ Costa - detract from the area's character	2
Lack of information beforehand about events	2
People parking at the side of our roads / lack of parking spaces in the summer	2
Traffic / Traffic speed	2
Not enough cycle / walking paths	2
Hazardous lack of hedge cutting / clearing ditches	2
House heating costs much too high	2
Planning policies	2
The emphasis of the Government and authorities on transforming Pen Llŷn into a 'playground' for tourists	2
Work by the local Council	1
Lack of street lighting in rural areas	1
Council does not grit the roads	1

Speed boats impair on wildlife and tranquillity	1
Too many new, poor houses being built / not protecting old houses	1
No local police	1
Cost of petrol/diesel	1
The weather	1
The Council's waste collection	1
Too many horses	1
Pollution from burning wood	1
Threat that the village school will close	1
High rates	1
Lack of community care	1
Total	227

Question 4 - Note up to 3 things in your area that improve well-being and contribute towards your quality of life.

Comments	Number
Able to keep fit in the outdoors - walking / cycling / sailing/ surfing	30
Social spirit / social activities	30
The natural environment - landscape	27
Feeling of belonging - friends and family / neighbours	12
Tranquillity / Silence	11
Fresh air	9
Working in the area / working from home - no travel costs	8
Views / Beauty	7
The choice of shops / public houses / small local businesses	7
The Welshness of the area	5
Feel safe / low crime levels	5
Good Schools / Welsh Schools	5
The area's heritage and culture	4
Leisure Centre	4
The world of nature	3
Social Clubs	3
Good transport links	2
No pollution	2
Health Care / GPs	2
Community Care / Adaptations Gwynedd Council have made to my house in order that I can continue to live there	2
Local Community Papers	2
Local Produce	2
My phone	1
Total	183

Question 5 - What would you change about your area to make it a nicer place to live?

Comments	Number
Need more quality jobs /fair wages	12
More community events / for people to network / support for social clubs	9
Charge a higher tax on holiday homes / Reduce the number of holiday homes ☒	9
Affordable housing required for young people / Priority to local people to buy houses	9
Promote businesses that are not dependent on tourism to establish in the area	6
Improve telephone signal / web access	4
Need more activities for children and young people	4
Ensure that we protect our wildlife / habitats	4
More GPs	4
Improve road safety / control traffic speed	4
Improve public transport	4
Appearance of streets - litter / dog faeces	3
The community needs to be more inclusive of incomers - bilingualism	3
Reduce the number of incomers	3
Need to ensure the future of the Welsh language - support incomers to learn the language	2
People need to have more pride /responsibility for their area	2
More flexible opening hours for the Leisure Centre / more resources at the Leisure Centre	2
A bypass for Pwllheli / better links between the main towns	2
Improve the condition of our roads / streets / pavements	2
Ensure that our footpaths are maintained	2
Devolve more powers from the assembly and the council to community councils in order that they may deal directly with local needs	2
I don't want to change a thing	2
Less light pollution - switch off unnecessary street lighting	1
Ensure that the farming industry has a future	1
Need to promote more tourism	1
Reduce the number of visitors	1
Need more educational opportunities in the area	1
The weather	1

Need a better waste collection /recycling service	1
Village information board to have information about events	1
Need to get rid of English signage	1
Better service from Gwynedd Council - no response to enquiries	1
Total	104

Question 6 - Do you have any comments about the information under the Population and Language heading in the information pack?

Comments	Number
The Welsh language needs to be more visible within the community / future of the language is vital	21
Need to improve provision for adults who move into the area to learn Welsh as children do in our schools	12
Lack of work causing depopulation - people from the area moving away / young people moving away	11
Have not seen the information pack	5
Impact of the older population is evident - pressure on services	4
Able to live in the area through the medium of English - no need to learn Welsh	3
Many people/children who speak Welsh choose to speak English	2
Better planning required in terms of attracting people to live here	1
Need to celebrate every heritage - not just Welsh	1
Total	60

Question 7 - From the information in the information pack, what is important to you regarding the environment in your area?

Comments	Number
Keep places clean and tidy	13
Increase recycling levels	8
That the natural environment is protected	8
Have not seen the information pack	4
No pollution	3
Safeguarding from flooding	2
Increase our use of renewable energy	1
Quality of soil / land	1
No light pollution at night	1
Wildlife	1
Keep public toilets open	1
Total	43

Question 8 - Is there any information missing in the environment section?

Comments	Number
Air quality	2
Have not seen the information pack	2
Comparisons with England and Britain	1
Essential to own a car in Llŷn	1
More information about fly tipping rates	1
A list of grants that may be beneficial to the Environment	1
Information about the historical environment	1
Solar energy use	1
Total	10

Question 9 - From the information in the information pack, what is important to you regarding social issues in your area?

Comments	Number
Lack of GPs / female doctors	6
People need to socialise more / keep social meeting places open	4
Need to use Welsh as an active/social language	4
Society is getting older / loneliness	4
Need many more things for children and young people to do	3
Child obesity is concerning	2
Poor phone signal /inconsistency of broadband availability across the area	2
Getting about is difficult if you do not drive a car	2
Suicide rates - need to understand the reasons for this	1
People drinking and driving	1
Deprivation levels	1
Low crime levels	1
The social spirit	1
Lazy people who take advantage of the benefits system	1
Antisocial behaviour - drugs problem	1
Have not seen the information pack	1
Total	35

Question 10 - Is there any information missing in the social section?

Total	Number
Schemes to keep young people in the area	1
Ideas on how to reduce loneliness	1
Numbers of volunteers	1
Use of social media	1
Compare with national statistics	1
Number of appointments available	1
Information about health at a lower level	1
Age when women have children	1
Population numbers, if everyone with second homes lived there all year round	1
Care available for older people	1
Impact of financial cuts	1
Have not seen the information pack	1
House prices at a lower level	1
Total	13

Question 11 - From the information in the information pack, what is important to you regarding the economy in your area?

Comments	Number
Need high value job opportunities in the area	12
Investment required in the economy	6
Too many second homes price people out of the market	5
Importance of supporting the Welsh language when developing the area's economy	4
Over-dependency on tourism	3
Important to support the farming industry	2
Need to support young local people to start businesses rather than attracting large national shops into the area	2
High business rates hinder small local businesses	2
Have not seen the information pack	1
Lowest wage levels in Britain - this is deplorable	1
Not enough varied subjects taught in schools	1
Infrastructure in place to use the web for business use across Llŷn - not consistent at the moment	1
Total	40

Question 12 - Is there any information missing in the economic section?

Comments	Number
Have not seen the information pack	2
Importance of tourist industry to the area	1
National shops that establish in the area - local businesses suffer	1
Use of agricultural land - split between crop growing and livestock	1
Use of Welsh by businesses	1
Number of young people who leave due to the lack of work opportunities	1
Number of people in fuel poverty	1
Total	8

Question 13 - From the information in the information pack, what is important to you regarding culture in your area?

Comments	Number
Active society that embraces the Welsh language	11
That there are places to go such as theatres /cinemas	4
Opportunities to try different types of sports - better facilities	2
Do not use the library	1
Usage figures for the leisure centre are low	1
The young population leaving has an impact on the area's culture - number of second homes / no work opportunities	1
Need to market our culture	1
Have not seen the information pack	1
Total	22

Question 14 - Is there any information missing in the cultural section?

Comments	Number
Cycle paths	2
Need to compare with the rest of Britain	1
How many books are bought rather than borrowed from the library	1
A pack raising awareness about the history and Welshness of the area	1
The importance of the Welsh language	1
How much does Gwynedd Council spend on the arts	1
Have not seen the information pack	1
Total	8