

What's important in the Tywyn Area

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Number of responses = 23

Gender	Number
Men	2
Women	9
Think of yourself in a different way	0
Not answered	12
Total	23

Age	Number
17 or younger	0
18-29	2
30-39	1
40-49	0
50-59	2
60-69	3
70 or older	3
Not answered	12
Total	23

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

Comments	Number
Rural, beautiful environment with a coast and green areas	25
Good community, friendly people, a varied community	13
Safety, feel safe	12
Able to go walking and cycling	6
Facilities close to good shops, community groups, events good for those without a car	6
Fresh air	3
Slower pace of life	2
Cinema	2
Street cleanliness and good maintenance of gardens	2
Tal-y-llyn Railway	2
Public transport	2
Quiet	1
Farming community	1
Opportunities for young people to attend the Urdd aelwyd and Young Farmers	1
Cost of living	1
Free parking near the promenade	1
Low population density	1
Welsh language and culture	1
No traffic	1
Local businesses and networks to support them	1
Total	84

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

Comments	Number
Lack of opportunities, no work opportunities for skilled workforce, low wages	12
Travel distances to facilities such as shops, schools, Hospital with an A&E department	9
Some businesses, banks and shops closing	7
Shortage of young population, elderly population	5
No health services, waiting for appointments Lack of NHS dentist service	4
Public transport	4
Lack of accommodation lets, need investment and a suitable, tidy standard, of private rented housing stock	3
Concern about the decline in the Welsh language, lack of respect towards the language from incomers	3
Road safety - driving too fast, endangering life and wildlife, roads in poor condition	3
Aaccess and quality of broadband, telephone signal and 3g/4g poor	2
Reduction in council services - concern about the lack of public toilets, council tax still rising	2
Lack of affordable housing	2
Racism against anyone who is different, racism by the Welsh towards the English	2
Recycling arrangements, no recycling site	2
Decline in wildlife and in the environment	2
Cleanliness of streets, dog faeces, and dogs not on leads	2
Charging for proposed new parking near the sea	1
Access for the disabled is poor, paths being neglected	1
Flooding from drains and sewerage	1
Lack of events	1
Feel that the Welsh Government have forgotten about us	1
Lack of support for community groups - costs too high to hire places and fitness activities	1
Antisocial behaviour amongst Young People	1
Lack of facilities for children	1
Price of petrol/fuel	1
Total	73

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

Comments	Number
Natural beautiful environment, rural and coastal, wildlife	13
Friendly community, a variety of people	8
Leisure centre and fitness classes	8
Able to go walking	6
Safe, low crime	4
Hospital, health service/facilities	3
Outdoor activities/ events	3
Everything available close by, opportunities to socialise	3
Fresh air	2
'Pace of life'	2
Tranquillity	2
Access to emergency services and Air Ambulance	2
Frequency of public transport, free for those over 60	2
Cinema	2
Public houses and more choice of eating places and bars	2
Library with several opportunities to learn in the area	2
Telephone signal and broadband /wi-fi	1
Better roads from Tywyn to Aberystwyth to get to hospital quickly	1
Protect wildlife and reduce agricultural density	1
Have a bridge over afon Dyfi, save time travelling to work	1
Cleanliness of streets	1
Better jobs to keep young people in the area	1
Arts centre (but far)	1
Total	71

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

Comments	Number
Investment in the area, create jobs and higher wages	7
Frequency and timing of public transport	4
More independent shops, support for businesses	3
Keep young people and families in the area	2
Better broadband quality	2
Do not reduce facilities a bank and a post office is needed	2
More affordable housing for families	2
Renovate the promenade /seaside	2
Maintenance work in some places	1
More dog fouling bins	1
Road Safety - reduce those drivers who exceed the speed	1
Welcoming tourism	1
Gwynedd Council and the Shoreline Management Plan destroying homes	1
No land for local people to grow their own fruit and vegetables	1
Turn off street lighting after midnight	1
No parking costs	1
Improve Emergency Services provision	1
More footpaths, where no car is needed	1
Public houses /club for young people to socialise	1
Education opportunities close by	1
Total	36

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

Comments	Number
Concern that young people are moving from the area, need to attract young people to the area	4
Incomers/older people have an impact on the numbers who can speak Welsh	3
Information is expected	3
Concern about the decline in the Welsh language	3
Would like to see more children speak Welsh	2
Job opportunities, those who cannot speak Welsh should not be excluded	2
People choose not to speak Welsh although they can	1
Concern about the impact of the older population on health services	1
Fewer young people will lead to less antisocial behaviour, better environment for older people	1
No opportunities for young people to develop or socialise	1
Total	21

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

Comments	Number
The appearance of the environment, street cleanliness, clean beaches, no fly tipping	6
Flooding matters	1
Continuation of service - public transport	1
Local care provision for this population, more local carers	1
Keep young people in the area	1
Gwynedd has good recycling arrangements, more recycling to protect the environment	5
Have not seen the information pack	1
Protect the environment and wildlife	1
Concern about the infrastructure when there are floods	1
Need to reduce the carbon footprint	2
Total	20

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

Comments	Number
Concern about action plans to prevent flooding and keep roads and bridges open, farmers to be able to clear ditches	2
Beautiful welcoming environment with flowers	1
Detrimental impact of farms on the environment	1
Proportion of land/environment with environmental designations	1
Land area within Snowdonia National Park	1
Travelling distance to recycling centres	1
Number of lands, habitats, designated species lost to developments, Number of development schemes that are approved	1
A way of analysing the number of animals that are killed by the roadside in Wales	1
Number of people who use the walking and cycling paths regularly to travel to work or school	1
Percentage of foodstuffs grown locally that are bought	1
Information about lakes and waterfalls in the area	1
Information about public transport	1
Total	13

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

Comments	Number
Well-being of people suffering obesity Need encouragement and support to help them	2
Health services - need more doctors. Not able to get appointments, travel distance to see specialists	2
Glad that the crime level is low and that it will continue to get lower	2
Social events in the community	1
Better access to quick broadband	1
Protect our children from being victims of crime	1
When planning, that consideration is given to the impact the older population has on health services	1
Attention needs to be given to the recruitment of care workers - need better pay to retain them	1
Isolation - under the impression that people look out for their neighbours	1
Glad to see that life expectancy is good	1
Concern regarding the suicide rate	1
Concern regarding the smoking and alcohol consumption rate	1
Good emergency services in a rural area are important e.g. fire service	1
Shortage of NHS Dentist	1
Quality and access to broadband, internet, telephone signal	1
Total	18

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

Comments	Number
Access to a GP difficult, lack of home visits	1
Support for volunteers, especially those without access to a car	1
Day centres are very important	1
Information about the number of people without access to a landline for various reasons, and without access to mobile phone signal around their homes	1
Information about drug use	1
Total	5

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

Comments	Number
More investment	1
Travel distance to services such as doctor and facilities	1
Concern regarding the lack of volunteers in the local fire brigade	1
Need jobs with good salaries in the area	3
Need to challenge those who are unemployed (but can work)	1
Need to support small new businesses and established businesses and protect them from large companies Concern about the loss of jobs	2
Transportation is difficult in the area	1
Education does not prepare children for the big wide world, need to support and develop children that have different skills not just academic skills	1
Positive elements of low wages may be the ability to work from home, not having to travel far to work	1
Dealing with wage equality	2
Concern about the number who are economically inactive	1
Need to support local businesses	1
Total	16

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

Comments	Number
Access to higher education, education/training learning from home for young people who leave school and figures about this field	3
Information about the numbers that are self-employed	1
Income comparisons of private rent and rent from social housing	1
Information regarding the availability of social housing and time on waiting list	1
Total	6

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

Comments	Number
Social clubs, leisure centres, library and church, cinema important	5
The area's interesting history and culture needs to be maximised	2
Concern that young people cannot buy houses in the area, including the villages. Need more affordable housing	1
Concern about the decline of the Welsh language	1
Plenty of things to do in towns but difficult to get young families to be part of the community in villages	1
Outdoor activities important - walking, cycling, visiting historic sites	1
Need to protect historical sites	1
Total	12

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

Comments	Number
Activities for young people e.g. youth clubs	2
Arts and photography	1
Convenient walking places	1
Information about history and heritage	1
Information about the numbers that take part in outdoor pursuits	1
Information about public footpaths	1
Numbers of children and people who can swim	1
Number who attend cultural events in Welsh	1
Lack of information in this section	1
Total	10