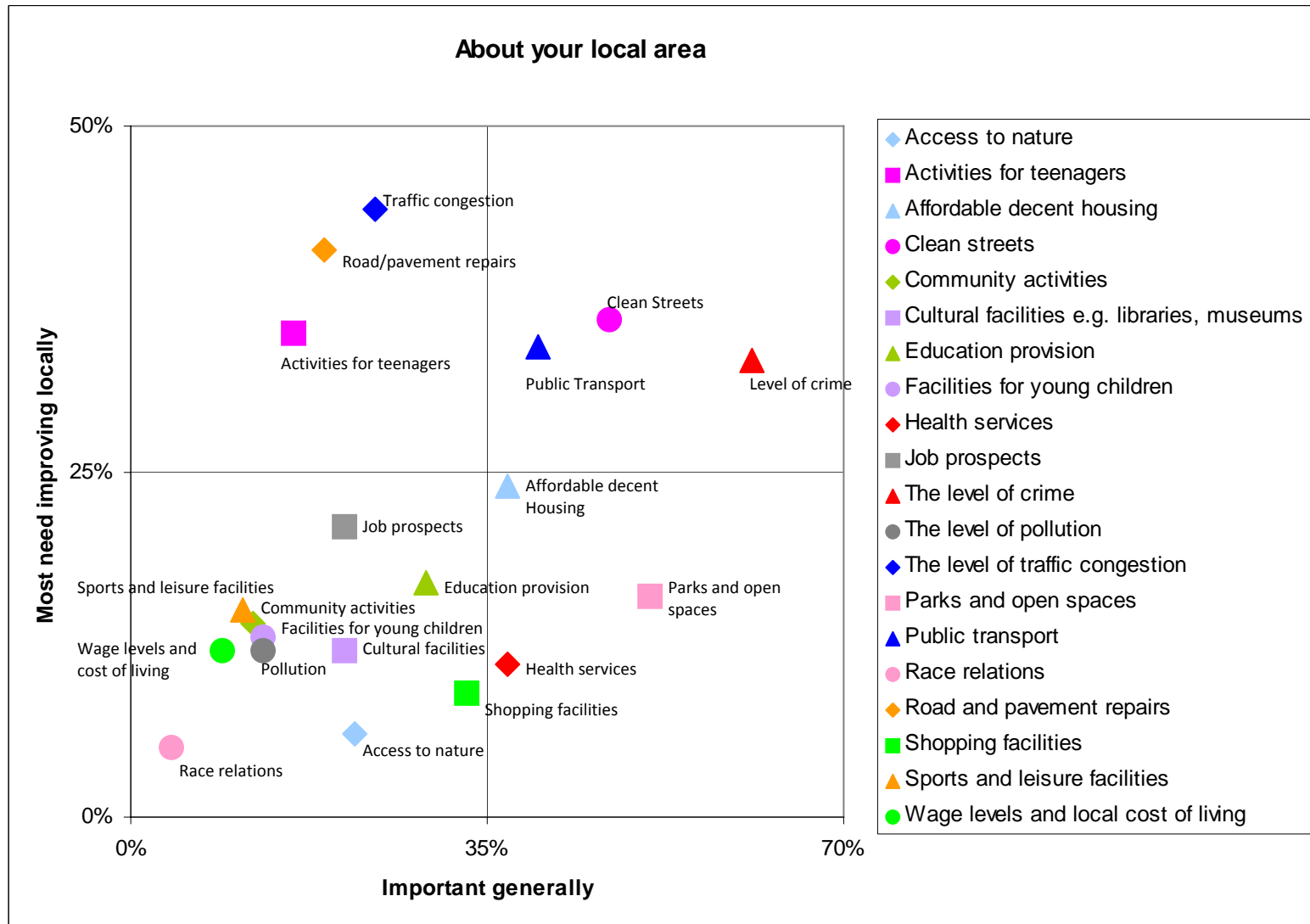


Citizens' Panel survey February 2011 – About your local area
 1066 people responded (51% response rate)



Clean Streets, Public Transport and **Level of Crime** were the items identified as the most important generally, which most needed improving locally. These were the same in the 2008/9 Place survey. Change since 2008, indicates **Road and pavement repairs** are a higher priority for improvement, whilst **Activities/facilities for teenagers and children** have got better.

	And thinking about this local area, which of the things below, if any do you think most need improving?		
	2011	2011	2008/9
The level of traffic congestion	458	44%	39%
Road and pavement repairs	428	41%	23%
Clean streets	372	36%	30%
Activities for teenagers	365	35%	46%
Public transport	354	34%	36%
The level of crime	343	33%	37%
Affordable decent housing	252	24%	19%
Job prospects	216	21%	14%
Education provision	174	17%	11%
Parks and open spaces	164	16%	16%
Sports and leisure facilities	155	15%	20%
Community activities	142	14%	17%
Facilities for young children	136	13%	21%
Wage levels and local cost of living	129	12%	15%
The level of pollution	125	12%	11%
Cultural facilities e.g. libraries, museums	124	12%	8%
Health services	115	11%	10%
Shopping facilities	95	9%	12%
Access to nature	67	6%	8%
Race relations	47	5%	6%
Other	25	2%	7%
None of these	13	1%	1%
Don't know	7	1%	-

	Thinking generally, which of the things below would you say are the most important in making somewhere a good place to live?		
	2011	2011	2008/9
The level of crime	630	61%	60%
Parks and open spaces	522	51%	41%
Clean streets	488	47%	46%
Public transport	408	40%	36%
Health services	384	37%	36%
Affordable decent housing	379	37%	32%
Shopping facilities	343	33%	31%
Education provision	303	29%	30%
The level of traffic congestion	251	24%	19%
Access to nature	225	22%	22%
Cultural facilities e.g. libraries, museums	220	21%	15%
Job prospects	219	21%	16%
Road and pavement repairs	194	19%	10%
Activities for teenagers	166	16%	19%
Facilities for young children	131	13%	15%
The level of pollution	130	13%	9%
Community activities	123	12%	11%
Sports and leisure facilities	118	11%	14%
Wage levels and local cost of living	92	9%	9%
Race relations	45	4%	4%
Other	14	1%	3%
None of these	2	0%	1%
Don't know	2	0%	-

Open ended responses.

Thinking generally, which of the things below would you say are the most important in making somewhere a good place to live?

- I find current climate very hypocritical we are encouraged to eat healthy, grow own veg, take exercise yet all our green spaces. Allotments are being taken away!!!
- Education on litter + dumping rubbish
- Stopping parking on pavements, Have streets cleaned day after refuge has been connected not day before
- difficult to select only 5
- I would like to develop a business in Bristol. Selling,fixing, servicing Electric bicycles. With fuel prices becoming unaffordable. Surely Electric Bicycles are the only option other than horses
- Ability to park near where you live
- Equality is important so facilities need to be free / affordable so everyone is able to use them
- good neighbours who look after there houses
- i'm unable to answer and tick just 5
- very difficult to choose only 5
- all equally important
- friendly neighbours who help each other
- Dropped kerbs in Brecon Road

- keeping cyclist off the pavements
- also good neighbours
- good neighbours and access to friends and church
- well maintained pavements and grass verbs
- would have ticked more
- In our area we have no park that the young kids can go to because the Council would not repair because the older kids drink, smoke broke the park and the Council took it all away
- Basic shops within walking distance
- location to city centre, good neighbours / feeling of the area!
- I think that the above discussion is concentrating solely on speed, when "bad driving" is perhaps the more pervasive issue of where drivers park on pavements, where vehicles meeting in narrow streets now insist and driving on pavements. These make things dangerous for children in particular. There is also the issue of discourteous drivers and cyclists who ignore Zebra crossings and jump red lights...
- need to create safe biking areas - Not occasional - continuous.
- You don't give space for anti-social behaviour by cyclists, on pavements, at traffic lights, speeding and cross parks and pedestrian areas.
- environment free of toxic airborne particles from local industry (eg toxic waste transfer facilities 1/4 of a mile as the crow flies from our house)
- Sorry - could not choose most important. I don't have children so I have ticked those important for me. For families and others living around me, I believe activities for teenagers, facilities for young children, health services, community activities, affordable housing, job prospects are all very important also.
- Availability of parking
- pub

- the teenage facilities' repairs and congestion are the second tier things
- Vibrant independent evening scene - cafes, bars, restaurants, cinema
- Pubs and restaurants and post offices
- good facilities for car travel and parking
- a well designed urban realm, including socialble open spaces with greenery. This should contribute to giving a local high street a unique character and have local attractions such as bars and coffee shops to give it a busy feel day and night. (this question seems to asks whats most important in making somewhere a good place to live which is what i've done: I hope I wasn't suppost to just describe my actual local area...)
- five tick boxes are not enough i also want to tick Activities teenagers, clean street,job prospects,crime control,parks,public transport
- most of the above are vital
- All of the above!!
- community facilities nearby eg pubs, clubs, cafes, restaurants
- lively church
- Proximity to allotments
- they are all important

Open ended responses.

And thinking about this local area, which of the things below, if any do you think most need improving?

- Clamping down on anti-social behaviour which may not be actually criminal
- Education for young people to get to work
- Bristol's activity as the Uks first cycling city has been appalling. I was a full-time cyclist until a few years ago when been in an accident with a taxi. The traffic situation in the city has got worse and the new Cabot Circus development prioritised car use and has brought more traffic into the centre of town evidenced by longer M32 queues. I think you, the council have taken money under false pretences as cycling has got more dangerous, car drivers are more hostile and the 'driving' culture encouraged
- Post office facilities, Pharmacy around Redcliffe St
- parking
- a church
- For many years my road has been used as a 'rat run', despite many complaints to my local Councillor the matter remains unresolved
- Although public transport is pretty efficient it is still very expensive
- If we suffer from KFC who sit in cars and then throw rubbish out of windows. More could be done to promote sport facilities available to public in the re-generated local secondary schools
- I found these two questions too difficult - all these categories are important
- little needs improving but: Parks and open spaces need to be left alone
- Stop building on green spaces, give the kids somewhere to play.
- Again, how can I tick just 5 ?
- Parks + open spaces need to be preserved (ie Bamfield + Fortfield Rd Open space)

- Kingweston road near our house + Blaise castle car park is 30 MPH. Average speed after the pedestrian crossing was installed is still nearer 50 mph. There are never any speed checks here. Why ? Would you let your children cross ?
- Other issues in my area - dog fouling, parking, lack of access to local schools
- Residents and business parking permits are really needed in this area
- Please help Whitehall Rd into town, at Chalks Rd, Road alterations. One car lane, one cycle lane, wider path. Result: Tail back for all other traffic. Expensive alterations, Cheaper and all traffic and Cyclist, plus pedestrians happy, no conflict. Plenty of room inside of traffic lights for a separate cycle path, and separate Pedestrian walkway. Please use common sense
- Parking on Road junctions needs to be stopped
- Sensible planning decisions - don't overcrowd a pleasant area for the sake of quotas. And as for Sainsbury's at Ashton gate - The whole area will probably grind to a halt
- Dog fouling to pavements continues to be a major problem. Perhaps this could be addressed with use of CCTV cameras or street patrol. There is no street lighting from the Springfield road end of Bradley crescent up the junction of Bradley avenue.
- would have ticked more
- Cars use my road as a "cut through" during work transport times (to+ from work). They drive too fast but speed humps (Especially the square ones) are really bad and very annoying.
- I'm sorry for writing on this page but some cyclist ride their bikes over 30. Why can't the speed camera pick up cyclist who are going over the speed limit
- road safety - excess speed on muller road + Ashley down road. Enforcement please!
- Put a one way system between Longmead avenue + Bishop Road
- Accessible public buses are NOT accessible. May park community woods has been fenced off permanently from the community and those who planted it. This has created anger and unhappy relations between May park school and the community that surrounds it. The 20 signs are too small (half the size of 30 signs) and people are still speeding. I think illegal parking is a major problem because it happens on every corner in my area and it seriously hampers the view of drivers and pedestrians.

- The number of buses from home are regular, however, the routes are very slow and indirect
- Places for community
- Community facilities eg village / community hall access
- Road leading to ?? has collapsed into someones garden. Nothing has been done since it happened. Road was /is used heavily and dounble parked making acces to ??? difficult and sometimes impossible. No idea when it is going to be repaired
- Extra: I have made requests for none crossings (e.g. Cromwell Rd St Andrews). How can that road be safe ? You did not ask this question!
- Bikes: lights, bells, off pavements. Traffic calming
- withdrawal of late night, alcohol licences and a crack-down on alcohol and drog-fuelled anti-social behaviour and noise in the early hours
- safer cycling provision
- Primary education is incredibly hard to get into. You need to live almost in the school to get into Westbury on Trym Church of England school or Henleaze. Secondary is even worse thought apart from Redland Green there are no decent secondaries anywhere near us. The secondary schools in Bristol are mostly dreadful, which is so send.
- Parking on Pavements,
- A real council with clear policies, such as a mass transit system that has been on and off for years
- more pedestrian crossings on the gloucester road (south end)
- Redland area - parking on pavments, parking on corners and parking across lowered edges for wheelchair and pram users
- Sports facilities are all but non-existant at an affordable price
- Litter - ok it's a type of pollution but it's awful and attitudes must be changed
- Derelict service station and library on Redcatch Rd are an eyesore

- I try to walk everyday now for exercise and so I am seeing our Clifton residential streets in a new light. There is a certain lack of knowledge about how the refuse collection system works as in some streets owners/tenants have no idea what to put into what box/bin and so for weeks on end the bin men do not deal with it. When the council distributed the new timetable for rubbish collections in November they put one card through our door when there are actually 3 bells and so 3 parties living here. It is not a house of multioccupation and so there is no central point to display this card. If each unit of accommodation is paying individual council tax I think the council should supply each unit/ payer with a card. In this way at least once a year people are reminded about the system. If you think of the speed of tenancy changovers especially amongst the students and people coming into the city from other parts of the country with other systems, it is not surprising that ignorance is rife. Likewise with street cleaning it is not often enough to cope with the leaves and the weather. A lot of gutters are wet with black sediment at the moment which is picked up getting in and out of the car and this treads in to the house. I am also concerned that for 10 years the council has been talking about residential parking schemes; I know they are contentious but if London can manage to sort it we really ought to be able to sort it too. The double yellow lining of Cotham Brow to allow clear access for the buses is a success; that junction is now safe to use and the buses and traffic can move freely thus avoiding congestion. I would like to see ALL corners throughout Clifton and Redland double yellow lined; in this way parking would sort itself out and the movement of traffic would be eased and much safer. You really need to come on a work day to look at the junction of Alma Road, St John's Road, Hanbury Road and Leigh Road. Almost impossible to negotiate safely as a pedestrian as parking is across all corners very often negating the dropped pavements which have cost so much to put in. Where double yellow lining is in place no one can park and so eventually commuters will have to park further out and then they might have to use public transport. I feel very strongly about this.
- City Council Efficiency.
- Pavements free of parked cars - difficulties with prams, wheel chairs and sight impaired. Same comment applies to overgrown hedges - it's not possible to wheel a pram on North side of Julian Road.
- Need to make streets people friendly, please do more to break the monopoly of the car. Give the streets back to the people not the motor car
- Parking
- Road drains need clearing most are blocked
- stricter enforcement of illegal parking.

- law enforcement, particularly on parking, cycling on pavements/without lights, speeding, littering.
- Keeping the pavements free of overgrown hedges.
- what happened to evening classes for the elderly local population gone to
- traffic travels too fast on local roads - need more traffic control
- speed of traffic in redland - speed bumps in the residential streets are needed.
- traffic lights and good pedestrian access
- Too much drunkenness and litter around city centre bars especially Fri and sat nights
- Reduced traffic speed on local roads including "B roads" with existing pedestrian crossings, shops & nearby children's play areas/Downs, schools, Church Halls, pubs & library
- Increase number of street lights.
- graffiti,supermarket trollys,
- There have been incessant building projects and roadworks in Ashley Down since before we moved here in 2006. Whilst the improvements being made to Ashley Down Rd at the moment are as I understand it necessary, I will be glad when the work is done. The road has been dug up countless times in the last 5 years. It is like living on a building site and you can hear the noise everywhere. People need quiet spaces; it is increasingly difficult to find any.I really hope the council will pay attention to this, and give the residents of Ashley Down a break.
- Residential parking has to compete with high levels of parking for shops and restaurants and a Controlled Parking Zone would be most welcome.
- Dog fouling on the streets around our area is very frequent and most unpleasant.
- So many things need improving. I believe as some are a disgrace. Council Houses need updating
- HGV drivers acctually taking notice of 1.5 tonne weight limits