**Old Marston Parish Council**

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# **OLD MARSTON COMMUNITY SURVEY 2023**

**What is the survey about?**

Old Marston Parish Council is the local authority nearest to the community. Although limited in law as to what they can do, parish councils can play an important role in local government.

Old Marston Parish Council have introduced three initiates:

* **Environment**: To be mindful of the environment, locally as well as nationally, in council activities. To strive to be sustainable with zero carbon emissions as far as economically and practically possible.
* **Community Engagement**: To have a two-way engagement with the community, using a variety of methods and striving for positive outcomes.
* **Health and Wellbeing**: To encourage a healthy, balanced lifestyle. Supporting and working the local community to combat loneliness and to encourage the inclusion of the elderly, young and all sectors of the community. To empower people to be able to make positive choices.

As part of its community engagement initiative Old Marston Parish Council is seeking the views of the residents of Old Marston.

This will:

* Let the parish council know how the residents see the parish council,
* Show the parish council what it does well and not so well,
* Feed into the council’s policies and procedures such as its five-year plan,
* Enable the council to make more informed decisions,
* Speak to the city and county councils with a better understanding of what the residents of Old Marston want.

**Who can take part in the survey?**

We would like to hear the views of everyone who lives in Old Marston and we want to hear from as many people in your household as possible. Please answer the questions based on your own views and experiences and encourage other people you live with or know in Old Marston to take part.

We also want to hear the views of people who own or manage a business or organisation in Old Marston.

**Taking part in the survey**

Taking part in the survey will take no more than 10 minutes. Taking part is voluntary, but your feedback is valuable. The survey closes at 5pm on 30th June 2023. Please make sure you return your completed questionnaire to the Old Marston Parish Council before then.

If you have any questions about taking part or would like further copies of the survey, please call on 01865 203 139 or email clerk@oldmarston-pc.gov.uk or the council website at visit www.oldmarston-pc.gov.uk

**Please return your completed form to:**

* **The Clerk, Old Marston Parish Council, 8 Nicholas Avenue, Old Marston, Oxford OX3 0RN**
* **place in the box provided in the Old Marston Library**
* **in box provided in St Nicholas Church**
* **before 17:00 on 31st July 2023**

**How we will use your information and your rights**

Old Marston Parish Council will keep your individual response confidential. The clerk will collate the data so that the parish council receive a report on the aggregated survey findings and anonymised data from the survey.

If you provide your contact details, they will only be used for research purposes related to this survey and will not be disclosed to any third parties.

For information about your data rights and who to contact please read the privacy policy which can be found online at www.oldmarston-pc.gov.uk /privacy

**ABOUT YOU**

1. **What is your post code?**

(You can leave it blank if you do not wish to provide it, but it will not be used to identify individual households)

1. **Do you own or manage a business or organisation in Old Marston?**

Yes No Prefer not to say.

1. **Please circle which age group you fall into:**

Under 16 years 16 – 24 years

25 – 44 years 45 – 64 years

65+ I’d rather not say.

1. **Are you a parent, carer or guardian of a child or young person (ages 0 – 18)? (Circle all that apply)**

No

Yes, aged under 5, Yes, aged 5 – 10,

Yes, aged 11 – 18, Prefer not to say.

1. **How long have you lived or worked here?**

Less than a 1 year 2 – 5 years

6 – 10 years 11 to 20 years

More than 20 years Prefer not to say.

1. **Which best describes your circumstances?**

**(Circle more than one if necessary)**

* + Full time employed (Go to question 9)
	+ Part time employed.
	+ Temporary away from employment (Go to question 9)
	+ Parent/Carer (Go to Question 9)
	+ Self Employed
	+ Full time education (Go to question 9)
	+ Not employed. (Go to Question 9)
	+ Retired (Go to question 9)
	+ Prefer not to say. (Go to Question 9)
	+ Other (please specify)
1. **Where do you work?**

**(Circle however many apply)**

At Home in Oxford City

Headington Summertown

Other Prefer not to say.

If Other, please specify:

1. **What is the most common way you travel to work?**

Car/Van Bicycle

Motorbike Bus

Taxi Train

On Foot Other

Prefer not to say.

If other, please specify:

**Old Marston as a place to Live, Now and in the future**

1. **Overall, how much to you like or dislike living here?**

**(Circle one option)**

Strongly like Somewhat like

Neither like nor dislike Somewhat dislike

Strongly dislike Don’t know.

1. **What do you like most about living here?**

**(Circle up to six.)**

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Sense of Community

Proximity for commuting

Proximity to countryside

* Friendliness of people
* Local transport network
* Leisure and Sport facilities
* Proximity to friends and family
* I’ve lived here all my life.
* Schools
* Nothing
* Local facilities and amenities, shops etc.
* Places of Worship
* Good cycling and walking routes
* Other
* Don’t know
* If Other, please specify:
1. **And what do you dislike most about living here?**

**(Circle up to six.)**

* State of roads and/or footpaths
* Air pollution
* Danger of cycling and walking
* Traffic and congestion
* Poor parks and recreation areas
* Lack of Community Spirit
* Lack of leisure and sport facilities
* Lack of Public Transport
* Over development of the area
* Lack of shops
* Lack of Amenities (Please specify)
* Nothing
* Don’t know
* Other

If Other, please specify:

1. **How often do you visit the following:**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Daily** | **Once a week** | **Once a month** | **Few times a year** | **Once a year** | **Visit or used once** | **Never** | **Don’t know** | **Rate****1 (poor) to 5 (good)** |
| **Mortimer Hall Recreation Ground/Play area** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Boults Lane Recreation Ground/Play Area,** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Mill Lane Allotments** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Mill Lane playing field (next to entrance of Victoria Arms),** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Orchard Triangle** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Court Place Farm Allotments** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Orchard Triangle** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Back Lane** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **The Reading Room** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Oxford City Football Club** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Mortimer Hall** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Church Hall** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Roy Garner Pavilion** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **OXSRAD** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **St Nicholas Church** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Other (Specify)** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

**What’s going on in Old Marston**

1. **How do you usually find out about things that are happening in Old Marston?**

**(Circle as many as applies.)**

Facebook Twitter

Parish Council website Parish Council noticeboard

Marston Times Word of Mouth

While shopping locally Community Email Groups

Posters in General Other

I don’t

If Other, please specify:

1. **Please only answer the following questions if you own or manage a business or organisation in Old Marston. Please leave the questions blank if you do not.**

Approximately how many people are employed by your business or organisation in Old Marston?

None (Just me) 1 – 9 10+ Prefer not to say.

Is there anything you would like us to know about your business environment?

**Old Marston Parish Council**

1. **Before this survey had you heard of Old Marston Parish Council?**

Yes No

1. **Do you:**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **YES** | **NO** | **DON’T KNOW** | **RATE****1 to 5****1 = Poor 5= Good** |
| **Receive the Parish Council Newsletter** |  |  |  |  |
| **Visit the Parish Council Website** |  |  |  |  |

If you would like to sign up to receive future information from the parish council, please provide your email address and/or contact details below.

For information about your data rights, please visit Old Marston Parish Council website.

1. **Email address:**

**Address:**

**Thank you for taking the time to take part in the survey, your views are greatly appreciated and important to us.**