



Bishop's Castle: RHRP Survey Analysis

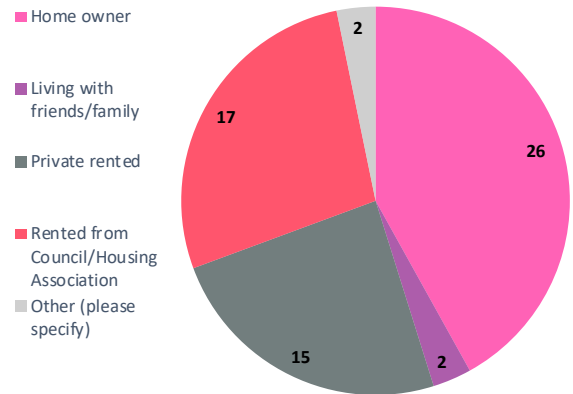
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162 responses from residents of Bishop's Castle as at 20th December 2019. 63 residents were thinking of moving and of these 8 indicated that their first choice would be to live somewhere else, 55 wished to remain in Bishop's Castle Parish.

Of those thinking of moving:

- 41% of respondents were home owners.
- 52% of respondents lived in rented accommodation—15 respondents were living in privately rented accommodation, 17 in Council/Housing Association and 2 living with friends/family.
- Of those wanting to move household size ranged from one to six, with the average number of people per household being 2.26.
- Of those wanting to move 8 households had a resident aged over 75 and 10 households had children under the age of 16.

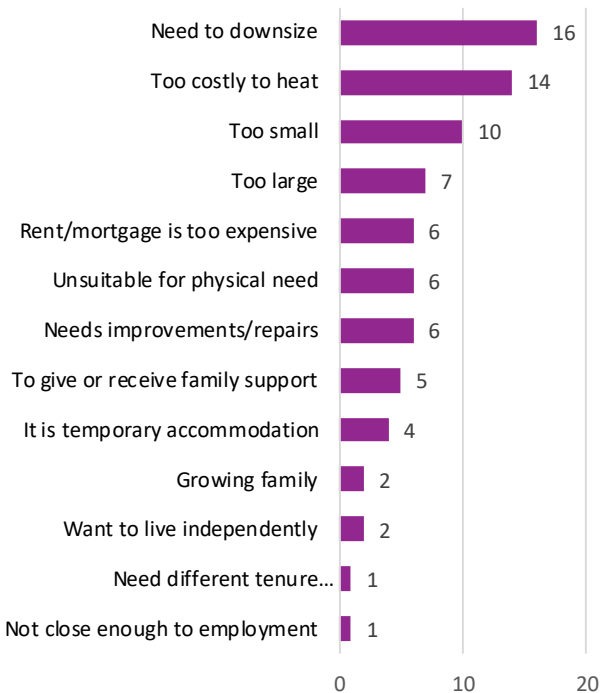
Type of Accommodation Currently Occupied*



*Results of those who indicated current type of accommodation occupied

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Reasons for wanting to move



Out of the 162 people living in Bishop's Castle Parish who responded to the survey 63 said they were thinking of moving.

Of those wanting to move, 29% of respondents said they "need to downsize" or their home was "too large".

25% of respondents said their current home was either "too costly to heat" or the "rent/mortgage is too expensive".

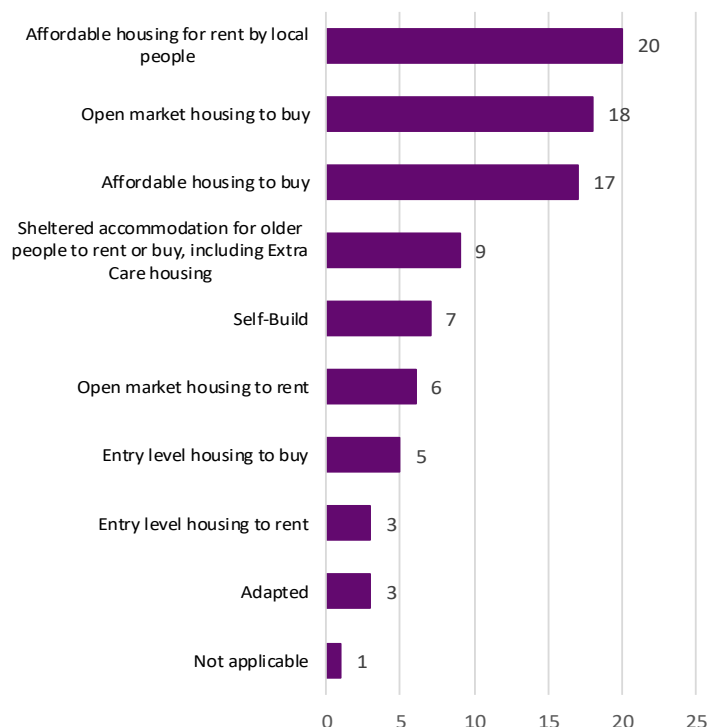
15% of respondents said their current home was either "too small" or they had a "growing family".

6 respondents said their current home was "unsuitable for physical needs" and 5 said they wanted to move to give/receive family support.

99 respondents were not thinking of moving.

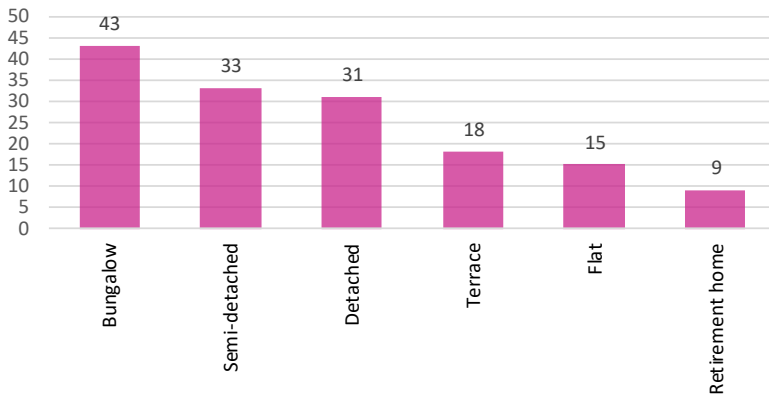
- 40 respondents stated that they require housing to buy, affordable, open market, key worker and entry level housing.
- Of those wanting open market housing to buy 13 were home owners already & 4 lived in privately rented accommodation.
- 17 respondents said they needed affordable housing to buy, 8 of whom were currently home owners 9 currently rent.
- 29 respondents expressed a need for housing to rent and of these 20 said they required affordable housing for rent by local people, 5 currently lived in private rented accommodation and 11 rented from Council/Housing Association
- 7 respondents wanted "self-build" and 4 were home owners.
- 9 respondent required sheltered accommodation.

Types of housing required



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Housing Types Wanted



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- 6 respondents require a one bedroomed property, 31 require 2 bedrooms, 22 need three bedrooms, 2 require 4 bedrooms. Those that require 3 or more bedrooms typically want a detached property.
- Respondents that require one or two bedrooms were more likely to consider a wider range of property.
- Six respondents reported a need to move within the next 6 months, with a further 31 anticipating moving in the next 2 years.

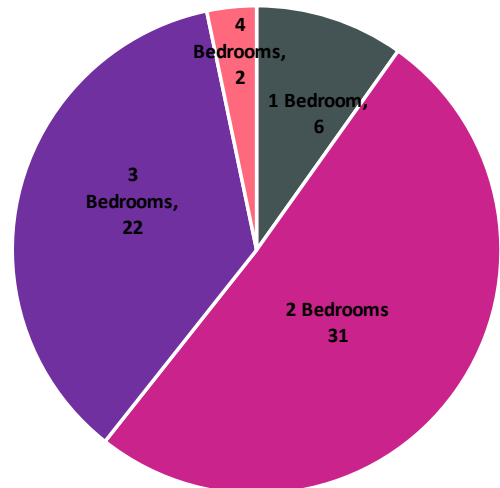
Timescale for Moving	Number of Respondents
In the next 6 months	6
In the next 6-12 months	16
In the next 2 years	15
In the next 5 years	18

- Seven respondents considered monthly rent of £521 to £650 acceptable.
- Five households currently privately renting & 11 who were renting from Council/Housing Association were looking to move into Affordable housing for rent by local people.
- In terms of house prices, sixteen households considered a price above £180,000 would be acceptable and 14 were currently home owners.
- 63 respondents who currently live in Bishop's Castle are thinking of moving. Nine people stated that they required "open market housing to buy", 7 stated "affordable housing to buy" and expressed no other option. 11 stated that they required "Affordable Housing for rent by local people", 2 stated "open market housing to rent", 2 "entry level housing to rent" and 1 "self build" and expressed no other options the remaining 30 respondents selected more than one option.

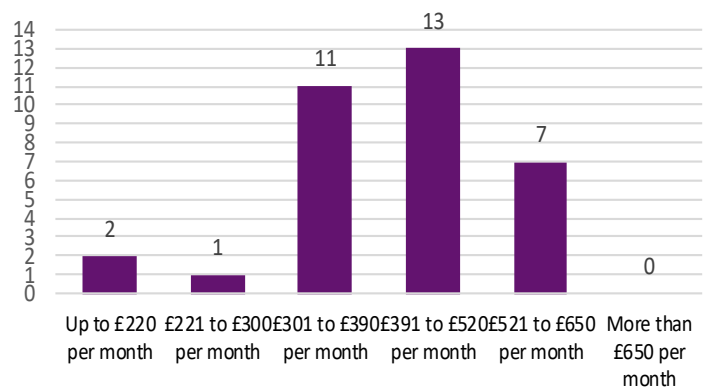
- 43% of respondents who were thinking of moving wanted either a detached or semi-detached property.
- 38% of those wanting a detached or semi-detached property were home owners.
- 29% of respondents thinking of moving said they wanted a bungalow and 37% of those were currently home owners.
- 9 respondents wanted a retirement home and 7 currently privately rented.

*Results of those who were thinking of moving and indicated type of accommodation required

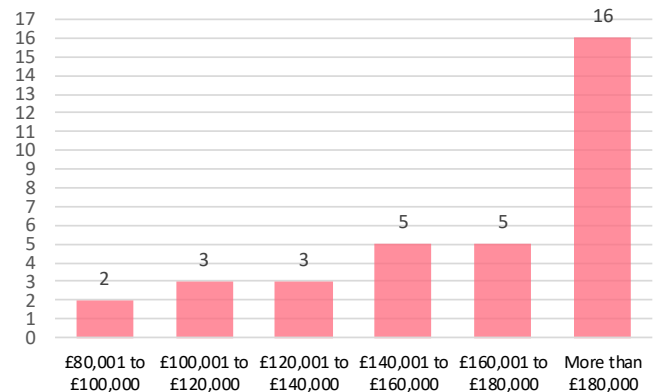
Number of Bedrooms Needed



Affordable Rents



Affordable House Purchase Price



As at 1st April 2019 there were 52 households on the waiting list that had expressed a first preference to live in Bishop's Castle. Initial analysis suggests that 41 households had a local connection to the Parish of Bishop's Castle and 37 currently live in Shropshire.