

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2025

# PAG Community Meeting

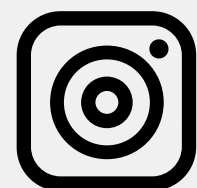


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# Welcome & Introduction





# Key Findings From Survey to Date:

## Demographic



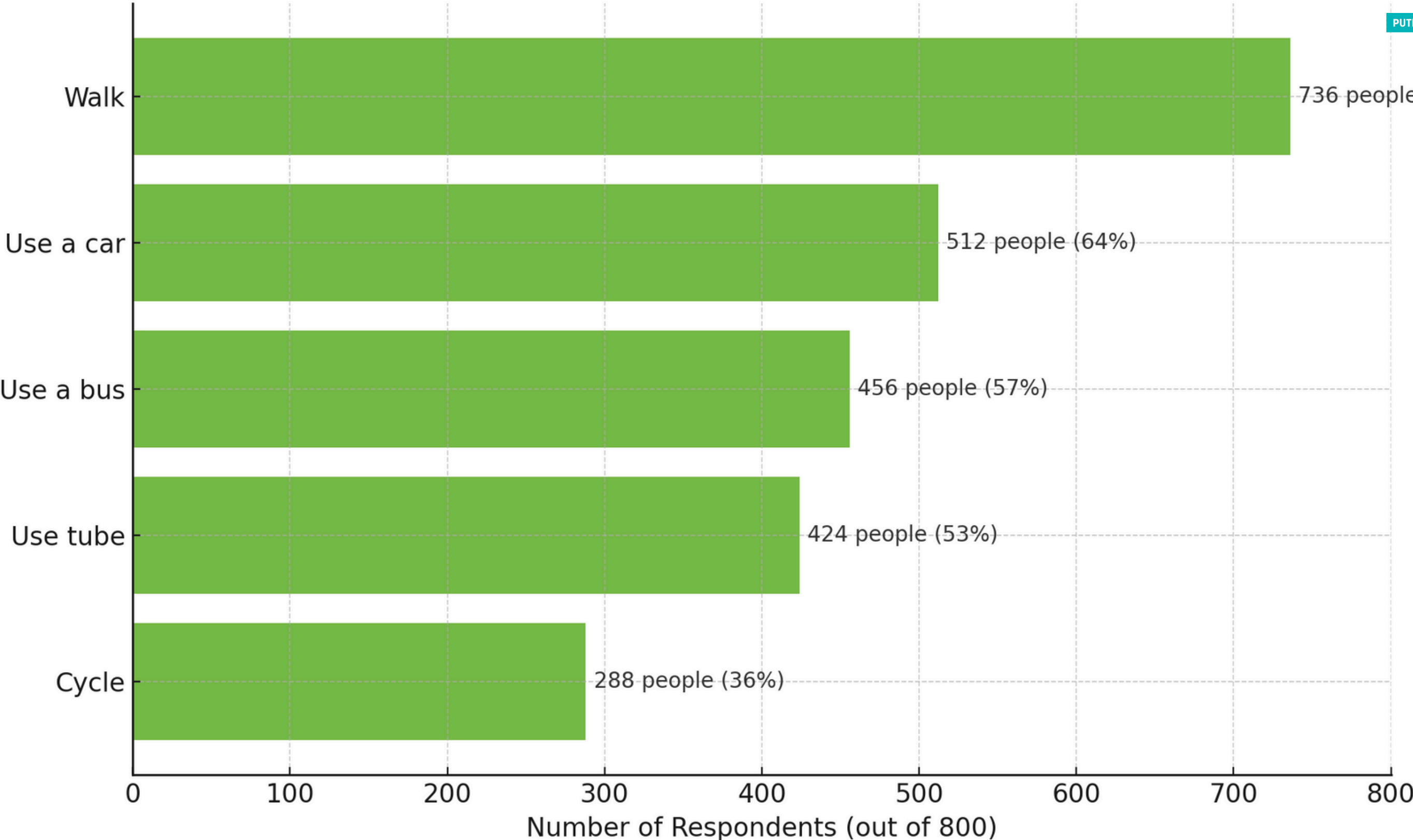
- **800 Responses to date**
- **88% of people are 'fairly' satisfied with life in Putney.**
- **69% of respondents were female**
- **50% have children living at home**
- **10% are a carer to an elderly or disabled person**
- **27% are aged 45-54 / 25% are aged 35-44 / 21% are aged 65+**
- **38% prefer not to disclose household income**
- **35% earn 100K+ annual household income.**

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# Modes of Transport



Top 5 Modes of Transport for Putney Residents (800 Responses)





# Most Loved In Putney



“So much wonderful  
green Space”

“Family Orientated”

“Our amazing library”

“Good quality shops, local transport links”

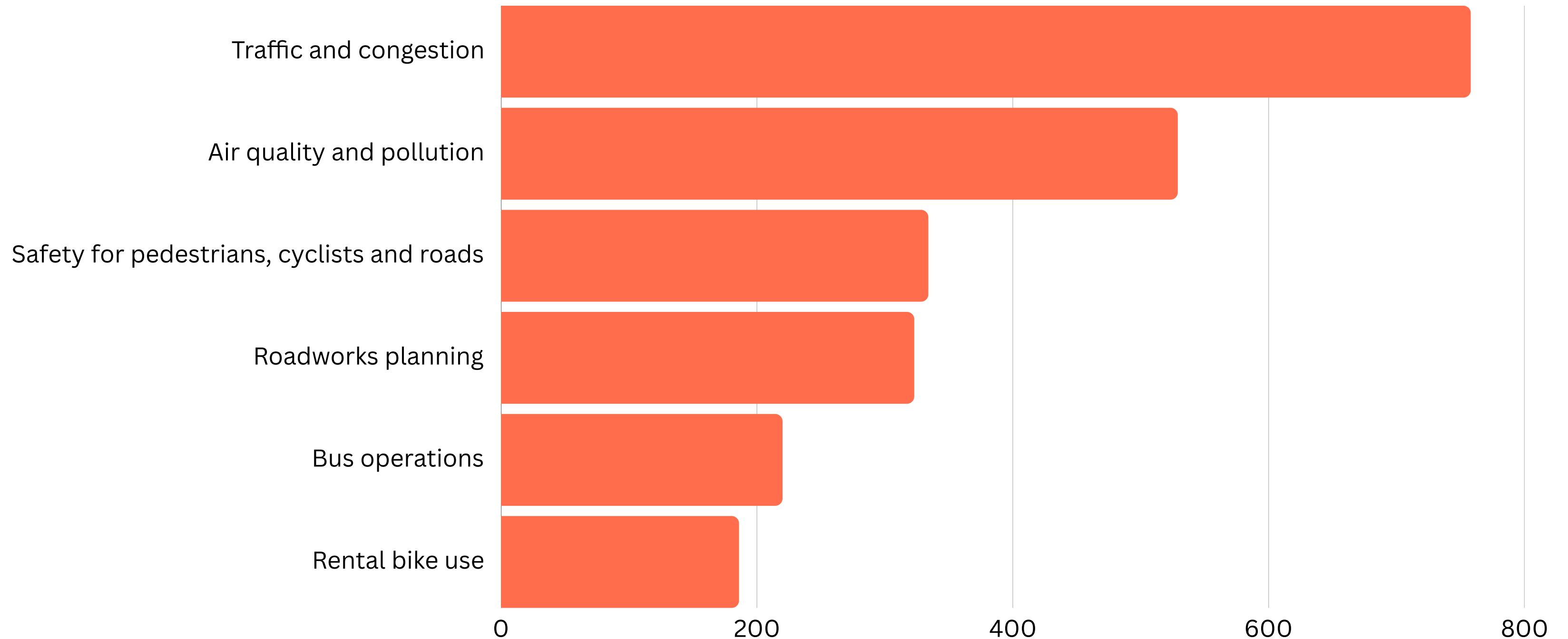
“The sense of  
community”

“It’s like its own little village!”

“Great access to great  
schools”

“Proximity to the  
river”

# Your say: what are the top 6 issues PAG should prioritise?





# Traffic and Congestion

## Key Findings to date:

- 88% of participants are **‘very unsatisfied’**.
- 74% are **‘very unsatisfied’** with air quality.

The ridiculous, unwanted, not needed pavement widening in the high street which lost half a lane and as a result causes more jams. Cyclists don't feel safe so even more of them *now ride on the pavement*

# Congestion and Road Layout

## Concerns 592 Comments

“The traffic is terrible. It’s no good saying don’t take the car- because **buses can’t progress either**. The Lower Richmond Road has become a dreadful bottleneck. .”

“I can **taste and smell pollution** on a daily basis on my street (Werter Road)”

“**Timing of traffic lights** all around Putney Bridge Road/Bridge/End of High street seemingly out of sync.”

“Lower Richmond Road and surrounding roads are now much more congested, which makes it terrible to drive and unpleasant to walk and cycle because of the slow traffic. It’s **harder to cycle** over the bridge as the roads are now too narrow to pass cars. This is made worse when busses are changing driver on LRR, as cars are unable to pass which **causes backlogs**.”



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“The bridge pavement extension at Putney Bridge has meant that cars moving over the bridge to Fulham **from lower Richmond road now only have one lane** on which to travel. Queues can back up right back to the common and all the way back to Barnes in the mornings / evenings and rush hours.”

“Both staff and visitors have **reported extended travel times** and difficulties with parking or even navigating nearby roads during peak hours. As you can imagine, this has a **direct impact on operations and local commerce** — reducing productivity, limiting customer access, and affecting overall business viability.”

# Congestion and Road Layout

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“ The **traffic is consistently queuing** along Putney Bridge Road and the High Street and does not let up during the day at any time. **It has made the use of our car impossible** due to the amount of delay it results in. This is not due to Hammersmith Bridge but due to the **poor road design, closure of bus lane options and signalling**. The air quality on PBR is very poor despite it being a **walking and cycling route for many children**. This does not align with the councils approach to school roads designed to make it safer for kids. The decisions made around road design feel like they are especially leading from all sides to Putney Bridge and on the Bridge, appear to be make it more difficult for drivers on purpose with possibly the aim being to discourage drivers to come via Putney. **But this strategy does not work.** ”



# Bikes and E-Bikes

**536** total responses mentioning this theme, including:

- **Cyclist Safety Concerns: 356 responses**
- **Cyclists Being Unsafe (e.g. red light jumping, pavement riding): 365 responses**
- **Rental Bikes & E-Bikes (e.g. Lime, Forest): 192 responses**

"The **fear of cycling** with my daughter due to cars and vans being on the cycle lane."

"**Lack of cycling lanes** and very congested high street. No community space that is pedestrianised."

# Public Transport



**Total responses mentioning public transport: 607:**

- **Buses: 501 concerns**
- **Tube / Underground (e.g. East Putney): 400 concerns**
- **Trains / National Rail (e.g. Putney Station): 337 concerns**

"Getting stuck in traffic and re-routed to end route earlier... my elderly mother is terrified that they would drop her off somewhere and she wouldn't know how to get back!"

"It's often impossible to get a bus from Putney Heath past the station. I have to walk which but I'm also type 1 diabetic and sometimes it's not safe for me to do. I have to choose between my health and missing appointments."



# Quality + Character of High Street

**559** respondents mentioned the declining High Street, including:

- **107** concerned with lack of indoor child-friendly spaces
- **83** mentioned potential money laundering
- **85** mentioned fast food, vape or gambling outlets

“There are too many shops that appear to be cover for **money laundering** – endless phone/gadget shops and vape places. Who is actually shopping there?”

“**Brazen theft from shops**, thugs riding Lime bikes illegally on the pavements, dirty high street, and very bad traffic on the high street and on the Lower Richmond and Putney Bridge roads.  
**Not a policeman to be seen.**”

“So many boarded-up shops. It feels **abandoned and neglected.**”

# Local Safety & Resident Issues



**363** respondents mentioned safety in their survey response

"I am increasingly concerned about the visible rise in the number of **squatters and rough sleepers**, particularly around Putney High Street and nearby residential areas."

"Crossing Putney High **Street with kids is terrifying**. Cars don't stop and it feels dangerous."

"Some streets feel really **unsafe at night**. There's no lighting and I avoid walking home alone."

# Authorities, Accountability + Engagement



- **38%** didn't think it would help to report concerns to authorities
- **30%** reported concerns but felt ignored

"Reported **dangerous pavement surfaces**. Was told it was logged, but months later, **nothing fixed**."

"Contacted about **idling cars outside school** – no **follow-up**. Feels like ticking boxes."



**Q & A**



**7.30-8.00PM**

**We now welcome discussions and Q & A**

**Please be respectful and courteous of others.**



# Summary and Call To Action (CTA)



**With 437 respondents ‘avoiding Putney High street’ - how are we as a community meant to *support our local high street* retailers?**



**How do we get *Wandsworth Council, TFL, and local MPs* to *LISTEN* and *CONSULT* with the people of Putney, now and in future?**

**We are open to sharing all survey reponses, video clips, photos and personal experiences with the authorities. Don't forget to keep submitting them to: [putneyactiongroup@outlook.com](mailto:putneyactiongroup@outlook.com)**

# Can you help?



Like to be involved, or think you may be able to help the PAG,  
please speak to us - this could be anything from: data analysis,  
posting flyers through peoples doors, printing costs, or just  
spreading the word in helping the people of Putney come  
together to make **meaningful** change!







THANK  
**YOU**



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