

Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council carried out a consultation exercise with numerous industrial estates within the Borough. The aim of the consultation was to build upon previous work carried out by the Council which has identified issues within the estates. This consultation sought to gain feedback from businesses on what the key issues are on the estates. The aim of which is to assist the Council in creating an evidence base which it is hoped will assist in helping to overcome some of the issues.

Site Description

Bayton Road Industrial Estate is situated to the south of Bedworth town centre, to the west of Junction 3 M6 and is accessed from the Coventry Road, Exhall. It extends to around 70ha and is the largest single employment area in the Borough. The estate comprises a variety of industrial buildings dating from the 1960s to 1980s, ranging from brick built units with low eaves heights, to more modern buildings of steel profile construction.

The Council's independent research noted that although a number of buildings have been refurbished on the estate the quality of the environment is an issue given that many of the estate roads do not appear to be adopted or effectively managed.

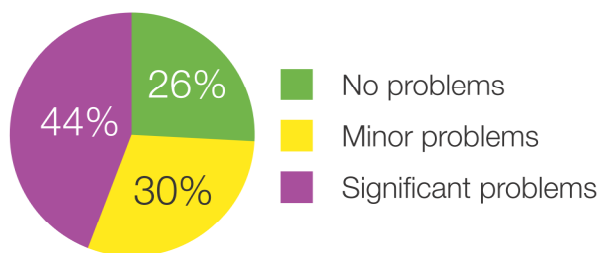
Consultation Response

The Council distributed 232 questionnaires to businesses located at Bayton Road. Twenty five questionnaires were returned giving a response rate of 10%.

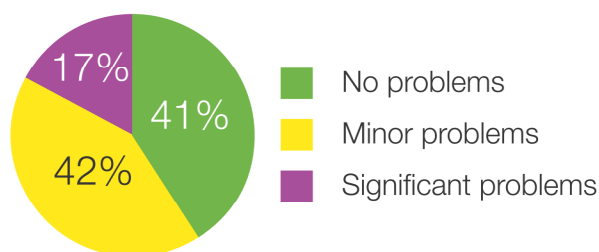
The majority of respondents consider that the road network within and immediately around the industrial estate presents them/their clients with significant problems due to the poor road surface, parked cars and congestion.

The majority of respondents consider the appearance and upkeep of the industrial estate to be a major issue citing litter and the poor road surface amongst a variety of problems. Security on the estate is considered to be a major issue citing lack of CCTV and security patrols amongst a variety of problems.

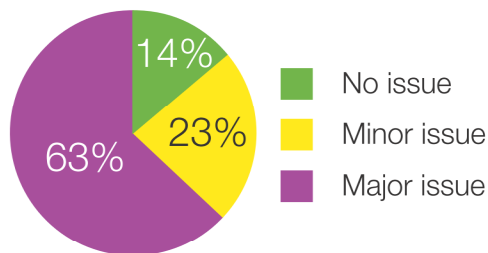
Does the road network, within the industrial estate present you or your clients with any problems?



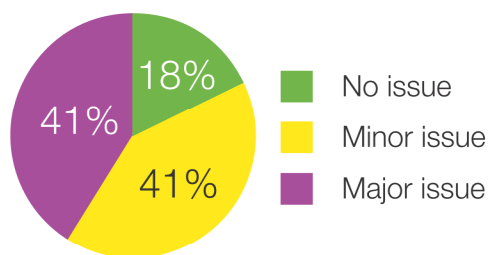
Does the road network, immediately around the industrial estate present you or your clients with any problems?



Do you consider security on the estate to be an issue?



Do you consider the appearance and upkeep of the industrial estate eg. streets, footpaths, etc to be issue within the industrial estate?



In summary

Accessibility to the estate for staff, general appearance and security were identified as the key issues within Bayton Road Industrial Estate. In taking this forward the Council will seek to focus future work on these areas.

If you wish to be part of any future discussions, or would like to discuss the results further for

Bayton Road Industrial Estate

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