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## **Questionnaire Response Rate hits 73%!**

**Thank You, Oliver's Battery!** The Response Rate to the Oliver's Battery Plan Questionnaire has hit **73%**. This is an outstanding figure for this type of local community survey. It gave every household a chance to have their say and clearly shows that the overwhelming majority of people who live in Oliver's Battery care enough about the issues we face to take the time to respond.

**The open box questions** were used in every section to allow people to express their views at greater length, while the final open box question invited comment on any aspect the residents felt had not been covered. We were therefore able to capture wide ranging opinions beyond the more straightforward responses expressed on, say, a five point scale of agreement/disagreement.

**The Questionnaire** covered many different aspects of life in Oliver's Battery. The high response rate has allowed us to capture current opinion on a wide range of topics. Once analysed, we will be in a position to offer extremely robust statistical data that is detailed, relevant and up-to-date.

**What Next – Analysis and Action Plan.** We are currently in the process of uploading the data and then the analysis can begin. We will be sharing this with the community as soon as we can – probably through bulletins and public meetings where we can begin to prioritise the issues for action. We won't forget to include mention of the consultation material that we have been gathering over the past year, while talking to different groups of people in the community. And the £50 Prize will be drawn at the first Public Meeting where we reveal the results of the Questionnaire.

**These next phases** of creating a Plan for Oliver's Battery is where it becomes really exciting - we can continue working together because a Plan encourages people to become more involved in what goes on around them, it provides a vision for the future and a clear plan of action. [Already some little green shoots are appearing – Winchester Health Walks are interested in starting some of their walks from Oliver's Battery, and the Battery Club are getting a walking group together. What a wonderful start as the spring approaches!](#)

As ever, there is still a need for **people to get involved** – follow your interests as the different themes and threads go forward – do you want to help develop what goes on at the Rec, or help to improve provision for the young or the old? Come along to the public meetings, get in touch to get involved in the discussions that will further the process of making Oliver's Battery an even better place to live.



**This is our community - let's plan the future together.**

And finally, a great big **Thank You** to all those residents who filled out the Questionnaire and a heartfelt **Well Done** to all those who were involved in creating, writing, trialling, publicising, distributing and collecting the Questionnaire. *If you want to find out more about the Oliver's Battery Plan, follow the Plan page on [www.oliversbatterywordpress.com](http://www.oliversbatterywordpress.com) or contact Connie Leach on [constance@leach154.plus.com](mailto:constance@leach154.plus.com)*