

# **LEDBURY TOWN PLAN**

# Report of the Survey of Primary School Children in Years Five and Six

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#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY TOWN PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE Years 5 and 6

- In summer 2013, 268 children, aged 10 and 11, in years 5 and 6 at Ledbury and other local primary schools completed a six-page questionnaire on life in Ledbury. Half of the children were Ledbury residents.
- Nearly all the children liked Ledbury and thought it was a friendly town. Most agreed that it was interesting, busy and attractive but only a third thought it was clean.
- The children thought that the best things about Ledbury were the recreation ground and play areas, the shops, and the friendly people. Children from the surrounding villages and rural area also frequently mentioned the swimming pool.
- Children thought Ledbury would be a better place to live if there were more shops and leisure facilities, improvements to cleanliness and tidiness and less anti-social behaviour
- The Recreation Ground is greatly appreciated, especially the skate park, play
  equipment, fitness equipment and open space generally. Most felt that toilets
  should be installed and the provision of a café or soft drinks outlet, and a shelter
  would be welcomed.
- Children who know and frequent the St. Martin's Way and New Mills play areas thought they needed better equipment.
- Nearly half the children played in local woods and the riverside area was also a popular area for a substantial minority.
- The most popular out of school sporting activities were swimming, cycling and, for the boys, football.
- A quarter of the children were members of Cubs / Scouts / Brownies or Guides.
- Two thirds would play in an adventure playground if one was available and half would use mountain biking facilities.
- Over half supported the suggestions of more green open spaces and a picnic area.
- Three quarters felt safe in Ledbury all or most of the time. Some children who use the Recreation Ground expressed concern about bullying behaviour and intimidation from older children whilst those resident outside Ledbury were more likely to feel fearful in narrow streets and alleyways.
- Nearly half thought there were issues around street parking and slightly fewer were
  concerned about speeding traffic. When presented with a list of possible sites for
  extra pedestrian crossings the most favoured were in Bye Street and Hereford Road.
- Items topping a wish list were improvements to play areas, additional leisure facilities, more retail outlets catering for children's needs and interests, and a better state of cleanliness and tidiness about the town.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

In the late summer term 2013 primary schools in and around Ledbury were invited to participate in a survey. The level of co-operation was high and seven took part – Ashperton, Bosbury, Bromesberrow, Cradley, Eastnor, Ledbury and Much Marcle. Colwall was also approached but did not have time to participate. The survey was restricted to years 5 and 6; most of the children were aged 10 or 11. The survey was carried out in school time, with children filling in a 6-page paper based questionnaire under the supervision of teaching staff. It was not practical to divide the children between Ledbury residents and those who lived elsewhere so all present on the day the survey was carried out took part. Two hundred and sixty eight completed forms were received. The survey form is included in Appendix 1.

#### 2. PERSONAL INFORMATION

A certain amount of personal information was collected on each child; not enough to identify individuals but sufficient to determine whether views about Ledbury were influenced by particular demographic characteristics. The data collected were: gender, whether the child lived in Ledbury or the surrounding area, school attended, and year group. The format of the questions is shown in the shaded box below and the findings are summarised in the tables and charts that follow.

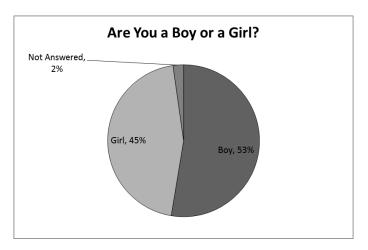
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Qn. 29 you	Are	A boy?			A girl?		
Qn. 30	Do you live	In Ledbury?			e surround es and cou	_	
Qn. 31 Ledbur	Which school	do you go to? Bosbury		Much Marcle		Eastnor	
Ashperto	on	Bromesberrow		Cradley		A school not on this list	
Qn. 32 \	Which year gro	up are you in?	Year 5		Year 6		

#### 2.1 Gender

The 268 children comprised 141 boys and 121 girls; the remaining 6 did not answer the question on whether they were a boy or a girl. The predominance of boys is unexpected and can be checked

against 2011 Census Data when it becomes available to see if the gender balance of children in the survey is representative of the underlying population in this age group.

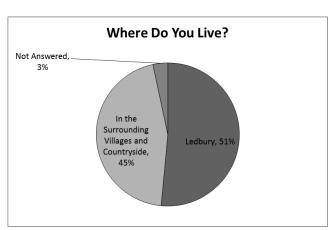
Are you a Boy or a Girl?	Number	Proportion
Boy	141	53%
Girl	121	45%
Not Answered	6	2%
Total	268	100%



#### 2.2 Area of Residence

Just over half of the children live in Ledbury (51%), 45% lived in the surrounding villages and countryside and the remaining 4% did not answer the question. It is possible that one or two lived well outside they area. The findings are shown in the table and chart below.

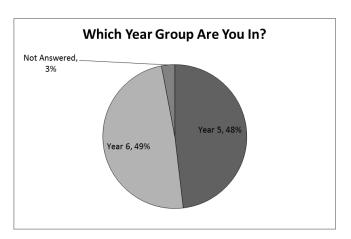
Where do you live?	Number	Proportion
In Ledbury	138	51%
In the		
Surrounding	121	45%
Villages and	121	45%
Countryside		
Not Answered	9	4%
Total	268	100%



#### 2.3 Age Group

All the children invited to take part in the survey were in the oldest two year groups at primary school; ie years 5 and 6. As the survey was conducted towards the end of the academic year, nearly all of the children would be aged 10 or 11. All but 8 of the children indicated which year group they were in and were evenly split between year 5 and year 6, as shown in the following table and chart.

Which Year Group Are You In?	Number	Proportion
Year 5	129	48%
Year 6	131	49%
Not Answered	8	3%
Total	268	100%

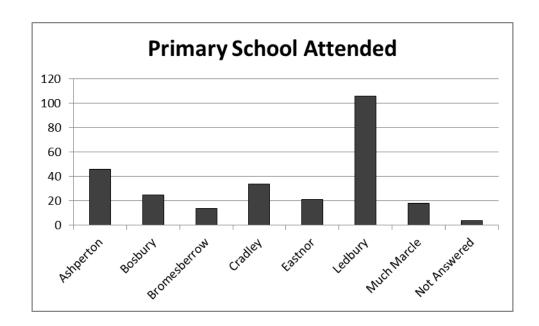


#### 2.4 School Attended

Forty per cent of the children attended Ledbury Primary School. The remaining 60% were pupils at the surrounding village schools or had not answered the question.

The breakdown of children by the schools attended is shown in the adjacent table and the chart below.

Primary School	Number	Proportion	
Attended		•	
Ashperton	46	17%	
Bosbury	25	9%	
Bromesberrow	14	5%	
Cradley	34	13%	
Eastnor	21	8%	
Ledbury	106	40%	
Much Marcle	18	7%	
Not Answered	4	1%	
Total	268	100%	



#### 3. OPINIONS ABOUT LEDBURY

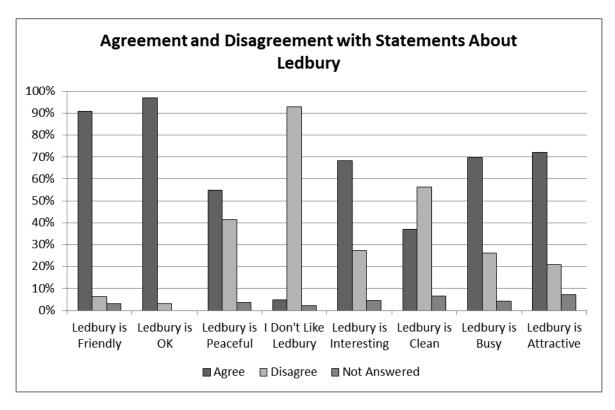
#### 3.1 What do you think about Ledbury.

Children were asked if they agreed or disagreed with eight statements about Ledbury – the format of the question is shown in the following extract from the survey form.

What do you think about Ledbury?  Qn. 1 Please read the following sentences you agree or disagree with the what it says.	about l	edbury and tick the box to s	ay whether
(a) Ledbury is friendly	Agree	Disagree	
(b) Ledbury is OK	Agree	Disagree	
(c) Ledbury is peaceful	Agree	Disagree	
(d) I don't like Ledbury	Agree	Disagree	
(e) Ledbury is interesting	Agree	Disagree	
(f) Ledbury is clean	Agree	Disagree	
(g) Ledbury is busy	Agree	Disagree	
(h) Ledbury is attractive	Agree	Disagree	
Qn. 2 What do you think is good about Led below.	bury? I	Please write your answer in t	the box
Qn. 3 Please write two things in the box be live.	low tha	t would make Ledbury a bett	er place to

On the whole, based on the levels of agreement and disagreement with the statements in the box above, the 260 children who participated in the survey were very positive about Ledbury. Nearly all the children (97%) agreed that *Ledbury is OK* and an overwhelming majority (91%) agreed that the *Ledbury is friendly*. Between two-thirds and three-quarters concurred with the statements that *Ledbury is attractive* (72%), *Ledbury is busy* (70%) and *Ledbury is interesting* (68%). There was less agreement that *Ledbury is Peaceful* (55%) and only just over a third (37%) supported the view that *Ledbury is Clean*. But very few children (5%) agreed with the negatively phrased statement, *I Don't Like Ledbury*. This finding is consistent with agreement with the positive statements. The numbers and proportions agreeing or disagreeing with the statements are shown in the table below and the following chart.

Statement	Agree		Disagree		Not Answered	
Statement	Number	Proportion	Number	Proportion	Number	Proportion
Ledbury is Friendly	243	91%	17	6%	8	3%
Ledbury is OK	260	97%	8	3%	0	0%
Ledbury is Peaceful	147	55%	111	41%	10	4%
I Don't Like Ledbury	13	5%	249	93%	6	2%
Ledbury is Interesting	183	68%	73	27%	12	4%
Ledbury is Clean	99	37%	151	56%	18	7%
Ledbury is Busy	187	70%	70	26%	11	4%
Ledbury is Attractive	193	72%	56	21%	19	7%

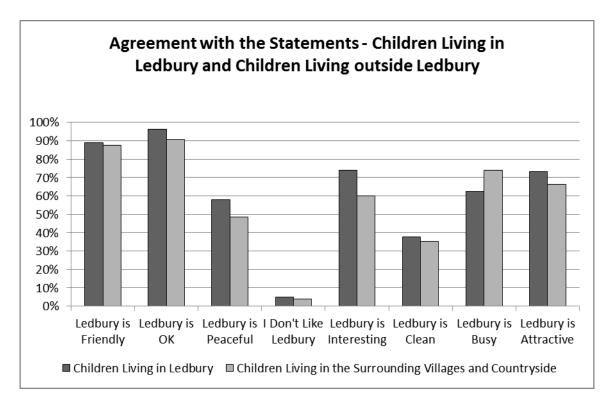


Analysis was carried out to see if there were any differences in the opinions about Ledbury between the 138 children who lived in the town and those whose homes were in the surrounding villages and countryside.

The major difference between the two groups was the fourteen percentage points between the proportion of the town based children (74%) and the surrounding rural area children (60%)who

agreed with *Ledbury is Interesting*. The other major difference was in the perception of how busy Ledbury is; 74% of children from the surrounding countryside and villages agreed that *Ledbury is Busy* compared with 62% of those resident in the town. These findings and the proportions agreeing with the other six statements are shown in the following table and chart.

	Proportion Agreeing				
Statement	Children Living in Ledbury	Children Living in the Surrounding Villages and Countryside			
Ledbury is Friendly	89%	88%			
Ledbury is OK	96%	91%			
Ledbury is Peaceful	58%	48%			
I Don't Like Ledbury	5%	4%			
Ledbury is Interesting	74%	60%			
Ledbury is Clean	38%	35%			
Ledbury is Busy	62%	74%			
Ledbury is Attractive	73%	66%			



#### 3.2 What do you think is good about Ledbury?

The children were invited to say what they felt was good about Ledbury and their answers, divided into those who lived within the town and those who lived in the surrounding towns and villages or who did not state where they lived, are listed in Appendix 2 (pages 41 –46). Very nearly all the children gave a positive answer, but many of the answers were unspecific, eg "It's a nice town" and these have been classified in the next table as "General Ambience". The responses were analysed to identify recurring themes indicating what is important to the children. The top seven items in the lists of things that are good about Ledbury were the same for both the children who live in the town and for those who live in the surrounding town or countryside or who did not indicate where they

lived; however the ranking of these seven items differed between the two groups. These are shown in the table below, together with the percentage of the total respondents who mentioned the service or facility or attribute of the town.

What Do You Think Is Good About Ledbury?				
Live In Ledbury (138 Children)	Live In The Surrounding Countryside And Villages Or Not Indicated (130 Children)			
Parks & Play Areas	32%	Shops	41%	
Shops	22%	Swimming Pool	25%	
Friendly People	22%	Parks & Play Areas	21%	
Sense of History, buildings, museums 14%		Cafes, Fish & Chip Shops	15%	
General Ambience	13%	Friendly People	12%	
Skate Park	8%	Sense of History, buildings, museums	12%	
Swimming Pool	6%	Skate park	10%	
Entertainments, Events	4%	General Ambience	9%	
		Entertainments, Events		
		Schools 5%		
Other things mentioned by fewer than 4% were		Other things mentioned by fewer than 4% were		
- cafes, sports amenities, library, safety, woods,		- sports amenities, library, safety, woods,		
countryside, cleanliness, schools and pub	countryside, and cleanliness.			

Points emerging about these services and facilities were:

- Several children particularly mentioned that they liked the new gym equipment in the recreation ground. It was not designed for this age group.
- The "out of town" children particularly appreciated the cafes, coffee shops, fish and chip shops and take-aways.
- Events that were mentioned included the fair, carnival and hunt.
- Within the history theme, the Market House was mentioned several times.

Other services and facilities and attributes mentioned were the library, school, station, appropriate size of the town, surrounding countryside, safety and general ambience (but not in those words!).

#### 3.3 Things That Could Make Ledbury A Better Place To Live

Nearly all the children participating in the survey had an opinion on things that would make Ledbury a better place to live. Their comments, divided between those who lived in the town and the rest, are recorded in Appendix 2 on pages 46 - 52. The following paragraphs report the issues that were most frequently mentioned. All the other issues, mentioned occasionally, are within the comments in Appendix 2.

#### **Shops**

Shops appeared high in the list of items that the children thought was good about Ledbury and similarly, perceived improvements to the retail offer featured very high in the list of things that could make Ledbury a better place; about a third of children living in Ledbury and 40% of those living in the rural hinterland thought shops were in need of improvement. Many of these children just

expressed a need for "more shops" but some were more specific in what they wanted. The children particularly wanted more clothes shops; some of the respondents mentioned children's clothes and named particular chain retailers. There were also requests for a bigger supermarket from about 10% of the total number of 268 respondents, more so from those living outside the town than in Ledbury itself. Other requests mentioned by several children were for a toy shop, game shop, pet shop and various fast food chains.

#### Anti-social Behaviour

30% of the children living in the town and 13% of those whose home was either in the surrounding villages or countryside commented on aspects of anti-social behaviour that should be dealt with. Within this theme, the greatest problem seems to be litter dropping and canine excrement – some suggested more litter and dog pooh bins were required. There were issues in the park including intimidating behaviour from teenagers. Some children wanted to see a warden or more police around, particularly in the Recreation Ground. Some of the Ledbury children were aware of incidents of violent behaviour in public areas.

#### **Cleanliness and Tidiness**

10% of children resident in the town, and a fifth of those whose homes were in the rural hinterland, mentioned that the town could be improved if it was cleaner and tidier. Some of the children linked the state of cleanliness with litter dropping discussed in the section above on anti-social behaviour.

#### Additional Leisure Facilities

Over a quarter of children mentioned additional leisure facilities that would make Ledbury better. The pattern was similar between those who lived in the town and those who lived in the surrounding area. A wide range of leisure facilities was mentioned and most of these only featured once or twice and so have not been included in this analysis. Additional leisure facilities that were mentioned several times were:- extension and improvements to skate park (21 mentions), cinema (19), more or bigger parks (10), ice rink (5) and nature reserve (5).

#### Car Parking

Several (6%) of the children who lived outside Ledbury thought that the town needed more and better parking arrangements. This was an interesting finding as these children were 6-8 years too young to have a driving licence; perhaps they picked up the sentiment from their parents or have experience of sitting in a car whilst the drivers look for parking in Ledbury. None of the Ledbury children perceived parking to be an issue.

#### **Retain Current Assets and Facilities**

Three per-cent of children expressed concern that facilities could be lost – swimming pool, police station, library, shops – and implied that this would be detrimental to the town.

#### **Housing development**

Three per-cent mentioned a need for more houses, and one or two specifically stated larger dwellings. Maybe they lived in overcrowded conditions?

#### 4. CHILL-OUT TIME

#### 4.1 Ledbury Recreation Ground

The children were asked about their frequency of use of the Ledbury Recreation Ground, which facilities there that they enjoyed and what else they would like to see provided. The format of the question is shown in the next table.

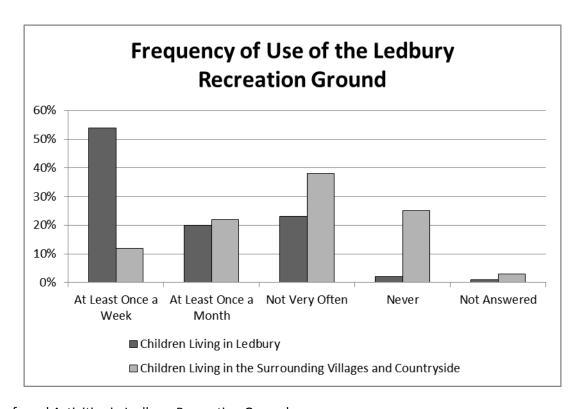
Qn 4 How often do you use the Ledbury Recreation Ground or walk or cycle through it?					
At least once a month Not very Never a week					
Qn 5. Which activities do you enjoy in the Ledbury Recreation Ground. Please tick all the ones that you like to do.					
Play New fitness Skate Football Equipment equipment Park					
Open Playing Basket Other Space with friends Ball					
Qn 6 Please say what other activities you enjoy in the Ledbury Recreation Ground.					
Qn 7. Please tick any of the following if you think they are needed at the Ledbury Recreation					
Toilets Shelter More seating Café					
Sculpture / Soft drinks More Artwork outlet planting					
Other, please say what					

#### Frequency of Use of Ledbury Recreation Ground

Nearly all the children living in Ledbury visit or walk or cycle through the Recreation Ground; over half (54%) do so at least weekly and another 20% at least once a month. Frequency of visits, as

would be expected, is lower for children who live in the rural hinterland but, even so, 12% are in the recreation ground at least weekly and another 22% come at least monthly. A quarter of the "out of town" children never come to the Recreation Ground compared with 2% of the Ledbury residents. These findings are shown in the next chart and table.

How Often Do You Use Ledbury Recreation Ground or Walk or Cycle Through It?						
	Live In Ledbury (138 Children)		(138 Children) And Villages Or		rrounding Countryside es Or Not Indicated 0 Children)	
	Number Proportion			Proportion		
At Least Once a Week	74	54%	15	12%		
At Least Once a Month	28	20%	29	22%		
Not Very Often	32	23%	50	38%		
Never	3	2%	32	25%		
Not Answered	1	1%	4	3%		
Total	138	100%	130	100%		



#### Preferred Activities in Ledbury Recreation Ground

In question 5 of the survey form, the children were presented with a list of activities that could be undertaken in Ledbury recreation Ground and asked which they enjoyed. Children were allowed to select more than one option. The responses of the children who visited the Recreation Ground at least occasionally were analysed. These included 123 boys, 106 girls and 3 children who did not indicate their gender.

The favourite activity from the list, 'ticked' by 71% of the respondents was "Playing with Friends"; particularly so amongst the girls, 80% of who chose this option compared with 64% of boys. Of the facilities provided, the play equipment was most popular with the girls – 78% indicated that they

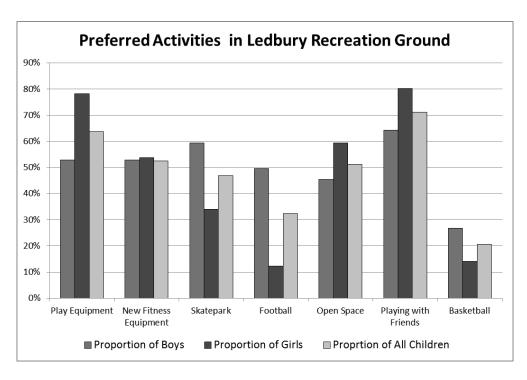
enjoyed it, compared with 53% of the boys. The boys preference was the skate park; 59% selected this option compared with34% of the girls. Over half of the children (53%) enjoyed the new fitness equipment even though it was not designed for this age group. There was little difference between the two genders in their enjoyment of it. Some respondents whose visits to the Recreation Ground are infrequent may not have encountered the new fitness equipment as it was only installed shortly before the survey was undertaken. Football was more popular amongst the boys (50%) than girls (12%). Just over a fifth of the children enjoyed the basketball; 27% of boys and 14% of girls. Girls were more appreciative of the open space than boys; 59% compared with 46%.

The full set of findings is shown in the table and chart below.

Many of the children filled in the text box inviting them to say what other activities they enjoyed in the recreation ground and their answers are listed in Appendix 2, pages 52 – 53. Many of the responses reaffirm the tick box entries and others, eg swimming and shopping, are impossible. Answers that feature several times include having picnics and enjoying informal sporting activities. Several children said that they liked the zip wire and the tyre swing.

Activities Enjoyed by Children in Ledbury Recreation Ground						
	Boys		Girls		All Children who used	
Activity	(12	3 Boys)	(106 Girls)		the recreation ground	
Activity					(132 Children)*	
	Number	Proportion	Number	Proportion	Number	Proportion
Play Equipment	65	53%	83	78%	148	64%
New Fitness	65		57			
Equipment		53%		54%	122	53%
Skate Park	73	59%	36	34%	109	47%
Football	61	50%	13	12%	75	32%
Open Space	56	46%	63	59%	119	51%
Playing with Friends	79	64%	85	80%	165	71%
Basketball	33	27%	15	14%	48	21%

<sup>\*</sup> Includes 3 children who did not indicate their gender



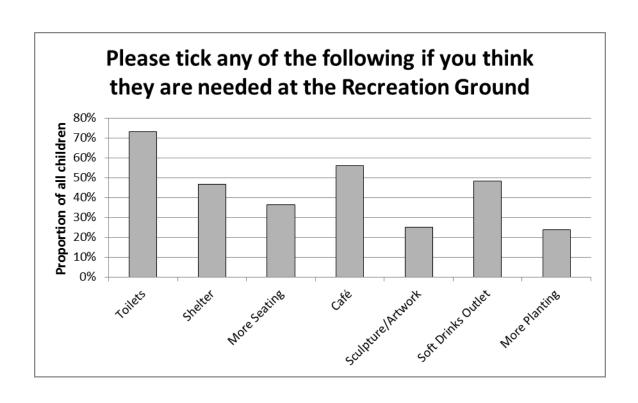
#### Other Facilities Required at the Recreation Ground

In question 6 of the survey form, the children were presented with a list of seven facilities or possible improvements and asked if they thought any were needed at the Recreation Ground. The responses of all 268 children, not just those who use the recreation ground, have been included in the analysis. Nearly three-quarters (73%) thought toilets should be provided. Over half (56%) would like to see a café and just under half (49%) agreed that a soft drinks outlet was desirable. Nearly half (47%) agreed that a shelter was needed and over a third (37%) thought more seating was required. The children were less interested in sculpture / artwork or more planting with about a quarter thinking each of these was necessary.

Please Tick Any Of The Following If You Think			
They Are Needed At Ledbury Recreation Ground.			
Facility / Improvement Number Proportion			
Toilets	196	73%	
Shelter	125	47%	
More Seating	98	37%	
Café	150	56%	
Sculpture/Artwork	67	25%	
Soft Drinks Outlet	130	49%	
More Planting	64	24%	

The children were invited to state what other facilities they thought should be provided. 71 did so and their answers are listed in Appendix 2, pages 53 - 54. Apart from bigger and better equipment and park, suggestions made several times were: improvements to the little children's play area, improvements to cleanliness, some means of supervision, eg warden, trampoline, bike track, and an ice-cream outlet.

Other suggestions were made once or twice only and these can be seen in the Appendix 2 on pages 53 - 54.



#### 4.2 Martin's Way Play Area

The children were asked if they ever played in the St. Martin's Road play area, as shown in the table below. Unfortunately, this should have read "Martins Way Play Area". Whether and how this error affected results is not known.

Qn . 8 Do you ever play in the St. Martin's Yes No Road play area?
Qn. 9 Please tell us if you think the St. Martin's Road play area needs improving and what needs to be done?
Twenty-two children, 8% of the total in the survey, said they played here, they were mainly from Ledbury but included some from the surrounding villages and countryside.
Thirty-two children, more than the number who played there, answered question 9 on improvements needed. Thirteen requested more and better equipment, some making specific suggestions. Five thought no improvements were necessary. Three commented on problems with vandalism and two complained of intimidation from older children / teenagers. Four thought that the area needed cleaning up. The comments are listed in Appendix 2, on page 54.
4.3 New Mills Play Areas
Of the 268 children in the survey, 63 (24%) stated that they used the New Mills play areas, in response to the question in the box below. Most (90%) of these 63 children are Ledbury residents.
Qn . 10 Do you ever play in the New Mills Yes No play areas?
Qn. 11 Please tell us if you think the New Mills play areas need improving and what needs to be done?

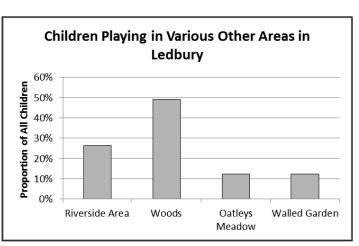
Seventy-three children responded to question 11 asking if they thought that the play areas needed improving and what should be done. The responses are listed verbatim in Appendix 2, page 54 - 55. Seven felt that no improvements were necessary. Over half wanted to see more equipment and facilities and made a wide range of suggestions; swings, skate park and football goals occurring more frequently than others. Some of the children raised issues with poor standards of cleanliness, vandalism, poor upkeep and maintenance and a general state of disrepair.

#### 4.4 Other Play Areas in Ledbury



The children, in question 12 on the survey form, were asked if they played or went to chill out in the riverside area, woods, Oatleys Meadow or the Walled Garden. The results are shown in the table and chart below and are based on all 268 children in the survey. Nearly half played in the woods and a quarter in the riverside area. Oatleys meadow and the Walled Garden were less popular – each being "ticked" by 12% of children.

Where else in Ledbury do you play / go to chill out with family and friends?			
	Number	Proportion	
Riverside Area	71	26%	
Woods	132	49%	
Oatleys Meadow	33	12%	
Walled Garden	33	12%	



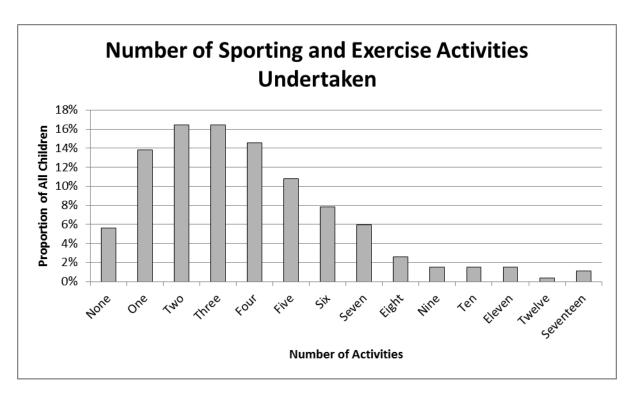
The children were also asked if they played in other open spaces in Ledbury. The answers, 83 of them are listed in Appendix 2, page 56. Despite the high volume of responses, most referred to recreational areas and facilities already considered in this section, or that will be the subject of the next section, or very local open spaces to their homes. There were, however, several children who referred to the town in general and Market House in particular, as places they frequented.

#### 4.5 Sporting Activities

In question 13, the children were presented with a list of 17 sporting and exercise activities and asked which ones they did outside school PE lessons. There was also an option to specify other sporting pastimes.

	•	•		es do you <b>do</b> othe nool PE lessons.	r than in so	thool PE les	ssons?
Swimming		Cricket		Gymnastics		Tennis	
Football		Rugby		Dancing		Hockey	
Athletics		Martial Arts		Cycling		Horse Riding	
Netball		Golf		Badminton		Archery	
Boxing		Other , plo	-				

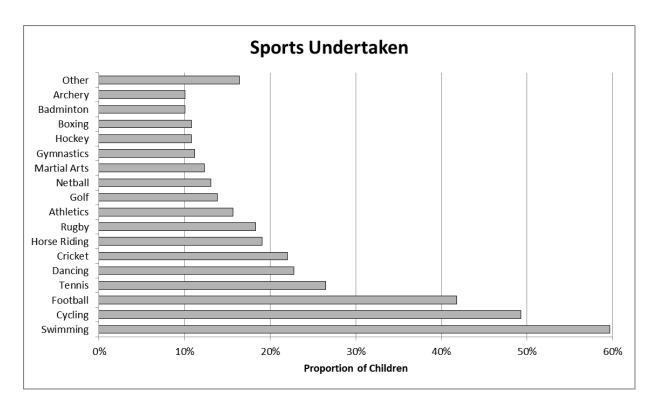
The following chart shows the proportions of the 268 children in the survey and the number of sporting and exercise activities they undertake. These include those mentioned under "other" as well as the number of boxes ticked. This is a poor indicator of the total amount of exercise children have as the duration and frequency of each activity is not recorded but the data does show that over half of the children undertake between 2 and 5 different activities, 14% only do one activity and only 6% do none. Over a fifth (22%) do more than 5 activities but there is suspicion that the 1% who ticked all 17 boxes may not have understood the question.



The next table and chart shows the number and proportion of the 268 children who undertake each sport outside school PE lessons. By far the most popular activities were swimming which 60% of children did, cycling (49%) and football (42%).

Sporting Activities Undertaken			
Activity	Number of Children	Proportion	
Swimming	160	60%	
Cycling	132	49%	
Football	112	42%	
Tennis	71	26%	
Dancing	61	23%	
Cricket	59	22%	
Horse Riding	51	19%	
Rugby	49	18%	
Athletics	42	16%	
Golf	37	14%	
Netball	35	13%	
Martial Arts	33	12%	
Gymnastics	30	11%	
Hockey	29	11%	
Boxing	29	11%	
Badminton	27	10%	
Archery	27	10%	
Other*	44	16%	

<sup>\*</sup> Other activities included scootering (8 children), rounders (6), basketball (6 children), dodge ball (3) and ice skating (3). The full list is included in Appendix 2, pages 56



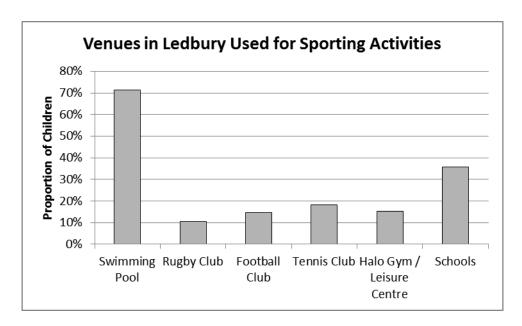
#### 4.6 Sports Venues

The 268 children captured by the survey were asked which sporting venues in Ledbury they went to, other than in the course of school PE lessons, and what other sporting venues they would like to see in Ledbury. The format of the questions is shown in an extract from the survey form in the box below.

Qn. 14 Other than school PE lessons, do you <i>go</i> to any of these sporting / exercise places				
in Ledbury? Please t	tick all the ones you <b>go</b> t	.0.		
Swimming pool	Rugby	Club	Football Club	
Tennis club	Halo G Leisure Ce	·	Schools	
Other places, please say where				
Qn. 15 Are there a places to do sports Ledbury? Please sa	you think should be in			

The numbers and proportions of children attending each of the six sporting / exercise places mentioned in the question are shown in the table and chart on the next page. By far the most popular was Ledbury swimming Pool, frequented by 191 of the 268 children – 70%. Schools also form important venues for sporting activities and clubs for 36% of the children.

Venues Used in Ledbury for Sporting Activities				
	Number	Proportion		
Swimming Pool	191	71%		
Rugby Club	28	10%		
Football Club	39	15%		
Tennis Club	49	18%		
Halo Gym / Leisure Centre	41	15%		
Schools	96	36%		



Forty children mentioned other locations about the town where they undertook sporting or exercise activities; these included the skate park, Neat Feet Dance Studio (now closed), the Kick Boxing club near Ledbury Station and various public halls. The full list is provided in Appendix 2, page 57.

When asked, in question 15, what other sports facilities they would like to see in Ledbury, about 100 children replied. The responses that occurred 4 or more times are listed in the table below – together with the number of children who mentioned them. The full list of responses is contained in Appendix 2, pages 57 - 58.

Other Sporting Facilities Needed in Ledbury			
Facility	Number of Children	Facility	Number of Children
Outdoor Sports Venues for Lacrosse (1), Hockey (6), Cricket (4), Football(3), Archery (3)	16	Climbing	6
Facilities for Indoor Sports using courts (eg badminton, netball)	11	Cycling	5
Running Club	8	BMX / Mountain Biking	5
Horse Riding	8	General Activities Centre	4
More swimming facilities and pool based activities	7	Athletics Facilities	4
Golf	6	Martial Arts (inc. fencing)	4

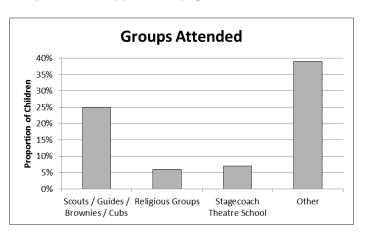
#### 4.7 Clubs and Groups

The children were invited to say if they belonged to any clubs and groups – the format of the questions are shown in the box below.

Qn. 16 Do you go to any of the following?	Please tick all the ones you go to.
Scouts / Guides / Cubs / Brownies  Religious Groups	Stagecoach Theatre School  Other Clubs or Groups
Qn. 17 If there are any other groups you g	o to, please tell us in the box below

As can seen from the table and chart below, 25% of the 268 children go to Scouts / Guides / Brownies / Cubs, 7% go to the Stagecoach Theatre School and 6% belong to religious groups. The proportion attending other groups is 30%; these are nearly all clubs for sports or exercise activities covered in previous questions. The full list is provided in Appendix 2, pages 58-59.

Group	Number	Proportion
Scouts /		
Guides /	66	25%
Brownies /	00	23/0
Cubs		
Religious	16	6%
Groups	10	0%
Stagecoach		
Theatre	18	7%
School		
Other	80	39%



#### 4.8 Other Activities for Children

The children were given the opportunity, in the format of the question shown in the box below, to say what else they thought there should be in Ledbury for children to do.

Qn. 18 What else do you think there should be in Ledbury for children to do?

A very wide range of activities was mentioned, none more than about 6 times. Many were on the theme of facilities for informal play, eg adventure playground, bigger skate park, climbing wall, water play, bike riding. The full list of responses is contained in Appendix 2, pages 59-60.

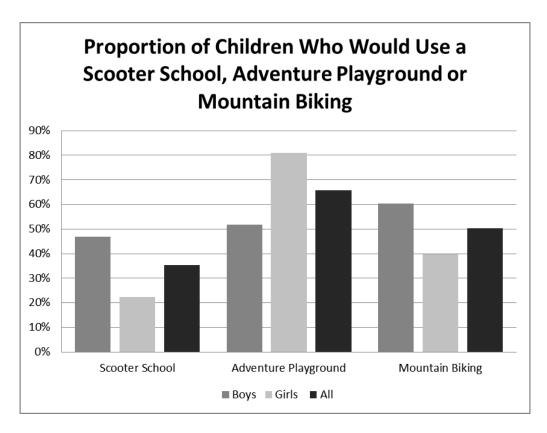
The next question invited the children to say whether they would use a scooter school, adventure playground or mountain biking facilities if these were available. The format of the question is shown in the table below.

Qn. 19 Would you use any of the following if they were available? Please tick all the ones
you would like.
Scooter School Adventure Playground Mountain biking

The numbers of children and proportions of the total who would use a scooter school, adventure playground or mountain biking facilities are shown in the following table and chart. Overall the most popular option would be an adventure playground which would be used by 66% of children, including 81% of the girls. However, when the boys only are considered, mountain biking becomes most popular – 60% would use such facilities. It is possible that the *numbers* are sufficiently high that all three options may be viable.

Activity	Boys		Gi	irls	All Children	
Activity	Number	Proportion	Number	Proportion	Number	Proportion
Scooter School	66	47%	27	22%	95	35%
Adventure Playground	73	52%	98	81%	176	66%
Mountain Biking	85	60%	48	40%	135	50%

NB Some children did not indicate whether they were a boy or a girl. These have been included in the "All Children" statistics.



#### 4.9 General Open Air Facilities in Ledbury

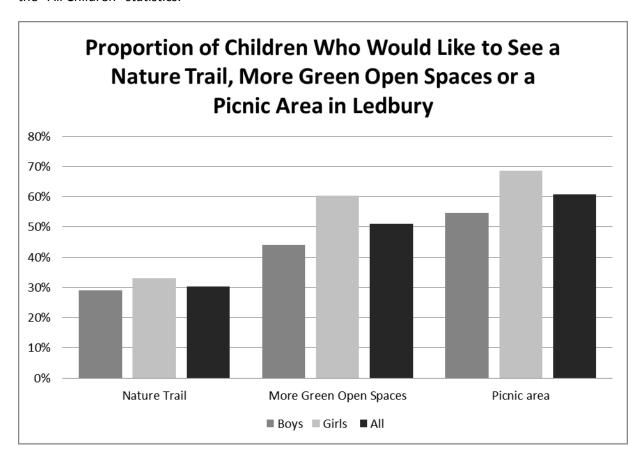
The children were asked if they thought Ledbury needed a nature trail, more green open spaces or a picnic area. Then they were invited to say what other outdoor facilities they would like to see in the town. The format of the questions is shown in the box on the following page together with a table and chart showing the numbers and proportions of children supporting each of the three suggestions. The most popular suggestion was a picnic area, supported by 61% of children, followed by more green open spaces, selected by 51% of children, and then a nature trail which was felt to be needed by 30%.

There were some gender differences in the responses: girls were more likely than boys to think these facilities were necessary. This pattern was most marked for a picnic area, supported by 69% of girls compared with 55% of boys, and more green open spaces generally (60% girls, 44% boys). The gender gap was less pronounced in support for a nature trail; 29% of boys compared with 33% of girls.

Qn. 20 Do you think Ledbury needs any or more of the following? (Please tick the things you feel are needed)
Nature Trail More green open spaces Picnic Area
Qn. 21 What other outdoor things to do would you like to see in Ledbury?
What other outdoor things to do would you like to see in Leasury.

Outdoor Facility	Boys		Girls		All Children	
Outdoor Facility	Number	Proportion	Number	Proportion	Number	Proportion
Nature Trail	41	29%	40	33%	81	30%
More Green Open Spaces	62	44%	73	60%	137	51%
Picnic Area	77	55%	83	69%	163	61%

NB Some children did not indicate whether they were a boy or a girl. These have been included in the "All Children" statistics.



The "Free Text" responses to question 21 whereby children were invited to say what other outdoor facilities they would like to see in Ledbury are listed in Appendix 2, pages 60 - 61. Some of the responses are imaginative, many duplicate suggestions already mentioned in earlier sections of this report, few occur more than half a dozen times, and most reflect the desire for more open air activities. The one facility that was mentioned several times that has not been brought to attention earlier in the survey is dog walking / dog parks.

#### 5. SAFETY

#### 5.1 General Perception of Safety

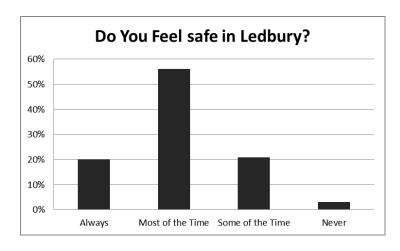
Children were asked how often they felt safe in Ledbury, in the format of the question in the box below.

Qn. 22	Do you fee	el safe in Ledbury?	(Please tic	k only one bo	x)	
Always		Most of the time		Sometimes		Never

The answers are shown in the table and chart below. Of the 255 children who answered the question, a fifth (20%) felt safe always and another 56% felt safe most of the time. Twenty-one per cent felt safe some of the time whilst 3% never felt safe.

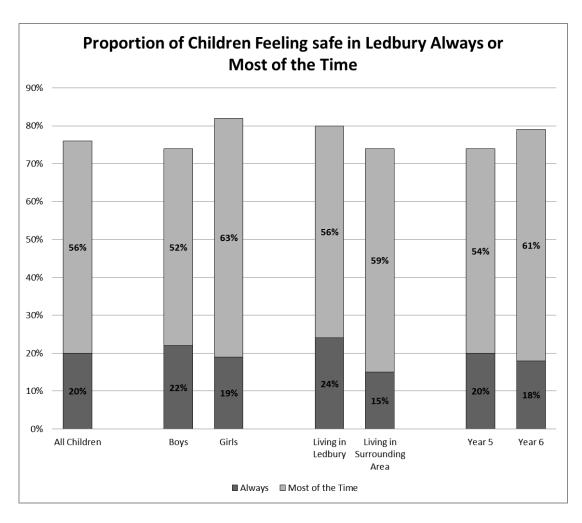
Feeling Safe in Ledbury.	Number	Proportion
Always	51	20%
Most of the Time	143	56%
Some of the Time	53	21%
Never	8	3%
Number of Responses	255	100%
Not Answered	13	
Total	268	

NB Proportions have been calculated as percentages of those who answered the question.



The results were analysed further to see if there were any differences in perception of safety, defined as feeling safe always or most of the time, amongst sub-groups of the children. This analysis showed that girls tend to feel safer than boys; the older children felt safer than the younger ones, and those living in Ledbury felt safer about the town than those who reside in the surrounding countryside. The data supporting these findings are shown in the table and chart on the following page.

Proportion of Children Feeling Safe in Ledbury Always or Most of the Time							
	Always	Most of the Time	Always or Most of the Time				
All Children	20%	56%	76%				
Boys	22%	52%	74%				
Girls	19%	63%	82%				
Living in Ledbury	24%	56%	80%				
Living in Surrounding Area	15%	59%	74%				
Year 5	20%	54%	74%				
Year 6	18%	61%	79%				



#### 5.2 Traffic Problems

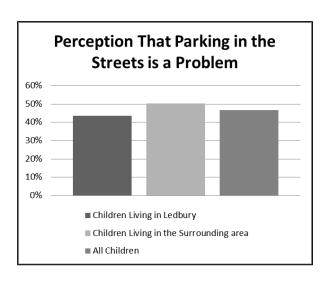
The survey included questions on potential traffic problems that may bother the children, namely street parking, parked cars outside schools or speeding traffic. The respondents were given the opportunity to describe the particular problems they faced. The format of the questions is shown in the box that follows.

Qn. 23 Do any of the following traffic problems bother you?								
Parking in the streets	Parking outside schools		Speeding traffic					
Qn. 24 If you ticked any of the above, please could you give a description of what and where the problem is.								

#### Parking in the Streets

One hundred and twenty five children, 47% of the total were bothered by parking in the streets. The problem was more of an issue for those living in the surrounding towns and villages (50%, 61 out of 121 children) than those resident in Ledbury (43%, 60 out of 138 children). These data are shown in the table and chart below.

Children Believing Parking in the Streets is a Problem							
Where Resident	Number	Total	Proportion				
Ledbury	60	138	43%				
Surrounding Area	61	121	50%				
Address Not Known	4	9					
All Children	125	268	47%				



Children were asked to say explicitly what their problems were and about 80 gave an answer. These responses are listed in Appendix 2, pages 62 - 63. The problems seem to be widespread but particularly in Ledbury Town Centre. Several children complain that their parents find it difficult to find somewhere to park on the streets. Others cite problems with parked cars causing obstruction to traffic, becoming hazards for cyclists, and impeding visibility for pedestrians.

#### **Parking Outside Schools**

There were 34 children experiencing problems with parking outside schools, 13% of the total. Twenty of the children were pupils at Ledbury Primary School (LPS); this group formed 19% of the

106 LPS pupils who completed the survey. None of the pupils at Cradley Primary School thought there was a problem and the between 1 and 5 thought there were parking issues at Eastnor, Bromsberrow, Ashperton, Bosbury and Much Marcle. Due to the small numbers attending these village schools and completing the survey, percentages have not been calculated.

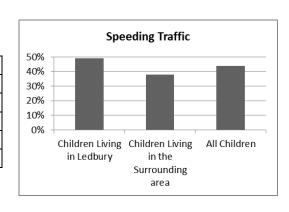
As there are not many comments on the subject of schools parking they have been displayed in the following table.

School	Comment
John Masefield High School	by John Masefield
Ledbury Primary School	in Ledbury school when my mum drops my sister off for Stagecoach school car park is too small
	cars park on double yellow outside the school
	it takes ages to find a space
	outside LPS people park outside the school outside school
	outside school by the rec
	sometimes you can hardly get out of the space that you have parked in
	when people park outside school we can't get into school so I'm late parking in the street prevents is from going places and speeding traffic causes crashes
Bosbury Primary School	that you can't get into schools or places when crossing the roads the parking because they park too far away when they park in the streets it is hard for us to see when we cross

#### **Speeding traffic**

Just under a half (49%) of the children living in Ledbury thought speeding traffic was a problem; compared with 38% of those resident in the surrounding rural area. When the two groups are combined, the proportion of children concerned about speeding is 44%. These findings are shown in the table and chart below.

Children Believing Speeding Traffic is a Problem							
Where Resident	Number	Total	Proportion				
Ledbury	68	138	49%				
Surrounding Area	46	121	38%				
Address Not Known	4	9					
All Children	118	268	44%				



There were 68 comments on speeding traffic and these are listed in Appendix 2, pages 63 - 64. The problem appears to be widespread including the town centre and residential areas. Many of the respondents indicated an awareness of the law and the dangers of excessive speed.

#### 5.3 Pedestrian Crossings Required

The children were asked if pedestrian crossings at Orchard Lane, Hereford Road, Bye Street, New Street, Lower Road or Bridge Street would help them walk or cycle to school. Then they were invited to say other places where pedestrian crossings might help. The format of the questions is shown in the following box.

Qn. 25 Would pedestrian crossings at any of the following places enable you to walk or cycle to school more safely? Please tick all the ones that would help you.								
Orchard Lane		Bye Street		Lower Road				
Hereford Road		New Street		Bridge Street				
Qn. 26 If there are any other places where you think a pedestrian crossing would help you, please could you say where:								

The results are difficult to interpret . Although question 25 specifically mentioned journeys to school, many children who live in the rural area and / or attend village schools ticked the boxes. There may be good reasons why children living in Ledbury and being educated outside Ledbury ticked a box; they may need to cross these roads in order to pick up transport to school. However it is difficult to see how children living *outside* Ledbury and attending school *outside* Ledbury could benefit in their journeys to school by new pedestrian crossings in the town. Or were they thinking of a more general need for such crossings?

The results from asking the question are shown in the adjacent table.

Crossings of greatest benefit would be on Bye Street and the Hereford Road,

Would pedestrian crossings at any of the following places enable you to walk or cycle to school more safely?			
Suggested crossing	Number of children attending Ledbury Primary School	Number of children attending other schools	
Orchard Lane	23 (22%)	24	
Hereford Road	33 (31%)	24	
Bye Street	33 (31%)	19	
New Street	16 (15%)	17	
Lower Road	20 (19%)	11	

followed by Orchard	Dridge Street	19 (18%)	11
Lane.	Bridge Street	19 (18%)	11

In addition, the children were asked where else in Ledbury they would be helped by the presence of a pedestrian crossing. Thirty-nine answered and their responses can be seen in Appendix 2, page 64. The sites mentioned more than once are shown below, with the numbers of mentions in brackets are: Outside Ledbury Primary School / Long Acres (9), Bromyard Road / Hereford Road Junction (4), Worcester Road (3), Knapp Lane (3), Parkway (2), Ledbury Bypass (2)

#### 5.4 Other Times and Places Where Children Did Not Feel Safe

In question 27, shown below, the children were asked if there were any other times and places in Ledbury where they did not feel safe. Their responses are shown in Appendix 2, pages 65 - 66. the children's answers have been divided into two groups, those that live in the town and those whose homes are in the surrounding villages and rural area. This is because there were marked differences in what made them feel unsafe.

If there are times and places in Ledbury where you don't feel safe, please in the box and tell us what the problem is.

Seventy-three Ledbury children (53% of those resident in the town) made comments; of these 5 said they did not have a problem with feeling unsafe. Of the remainder, the biggest safety problem was intimidation and anti-social behaviour from teenagers and others in the Recreation Ground and in neighbouring streets.

Fifty-nine (49%) of the 121 children from the surrounding rural area also commented. Some mentioned the problems at the Recreation Ground and anti-social behaviour generally noted by the Ledbury children but their greatest problem seemed to be general fearfulness in the alleyways and narrow streets of the town.

#### 6. WISH LIST

The children were invited, as shown in the section of the questionnaire reproduced below, to state the one improvement or new opportunity in Ledbury that they would most like to see. The answers are listed in Appendix 2, pages 67 - 68, and have been divided between those from children living in Ledbury and those from the surrounding towns and villages.

Wish list	
Qn. 28 What wo	uld be the one improvement or new opportunity in Ledbury you would
most like to see?	

Nearly all responded and, as can be expected, there is a huge range of improvements and facilities and an attempt is made here to group these into 4 areas – improvements to informal play and recreational areas, additional activities, improvement to the retail opportunities and general improvement to public facilities. Numbers refer to the number of children making each request.

#### **6.1 Improvements to Play Areas**

The three play areas which featured most often were the recreation ground, swimming pool and skate park. Within the recreation ground there were several requests from Ledbury children for additional security because these younger children felt intimidated by teenagers.

Improvement / Facility	Number of Children Living in Ledbury	Number of Children Living in Surrounding Area
Improved safety / security in the Recreation Ground	10	0
Improve swimming pool	6	5
Bigger Skate Park	6	8
More equipment in the Recreation Ground	2	1
Toilets in the Recreation Ground	1	0
Play Equipment on Oatleys Meadow	1	0
Keep the Swimming Pool	0	1

#### 6.2 Additional Activities

The four additional activities most often mentioned by children living in Ledbury were:- a biking trail, climbing facility (eg a wall), a scooter school or related activities and an indoor skate park.

Children living in the rural hinterland were more likely to want a cinema, biking trail, scooter school or nature trail.

The full list and number of mentions are given in the table on the next page.

Additional Activity	Number of Children Living in Ledbury	Number of Children Living in Surrounding Area	
Biking Trail	7	3	
Climbing Facility	4	3	
Scooter School / Related Activities	4	1	
Indoor skate Park	4	0	
Bigger Range of Activities	3	2	
Trampoline	2	2	
Adventure Playground	2	1	
Water Park	2	0	
Go Karting	1	1	
Nature Activity / Trail	1	3	
Activity Centre	1	0	
Netball Club	1	0	
Fitness Club	1	0	
Tennis Club (Free)	1	0	
Cinema	0	4	
Fishing Pond	0	1	
Games Centre	0	1	
Arcade bowling	0	1	

#### **6.3 Improvements to Retail Opportunities**

Shopping seems to be a popular activity with the children in this survey but several felt that the retail offer in Ledbury was not geared to this age group and they would like to see more shops catering for young people, particularly clothes shops and games shops. The full list is shown in the table below.

Improvement to Shopping Facilities	Number of Children Living in Ledbury	Number of Children Living in Surrounding Area
Shops catering for younger people (eg clothes shops, games shops)	8	4
Additional Food Outlets (eg ice cream parlour, sandwich bar)	3	2
Bigger Supermarket	2	4
More Shops	1	0
Bike Shop	1	0
Pet Shop	1	0

#### **6.4 General Facilities and Improvements**

Most of the remaining items from the wish list were more general in nature and would benefit all ages. The most often mentioned item concerned measures to reduce the amount of litter about the town and to improve the general state of cleanliness.

General Improvements	Number of Children Living in Ledbury	Number of Children Living in Surrounding Area
Tackling litter problems and increasing cleanliness	7	3
Zoo, eg petting zoo	3	4
Picnic Area	1	1
Bigger Carnival / More Community Events	1	1
Family Friendly Places	1	0
Improvements to Safety eg zebra crossings	0	3
Friendlier people	0	2
Rescue Centre for Animals	0	1
Camping Site	0	1
Duck Pond	0	1
More Car Parks	0	1

#### **APPENDIX 1**

## **Questionnaire for Young People - 9 to 11 year olds**

### What do you think about Ledbury?

Qn. 1 Please read the following sentences about Ledbury and tick the box to say whether you agree or disagree with the what it says.

(a) Ledbury is friendly	Agree	Disagree		
(b) Ledbury is OK	Agree	Disagree		
(c) Ledbury is peaceful	Agree	Disagree		
(d) I don't like Ledbury	Agree	Disagree		
(e) Ledbury is interesting	Agree	Disagree		
(f) Ledbury is clean	Agree	Disagree		
(g) Ledbury is busy	Agree	Disagree		
(h) Ledbury is attractive	Agree	Disagree		
Qn. 2 What do you think is good about Ledbury? Please write your answer in the box below.				
Qn. 3 Please write two things in the box below that would make Ledbury a better place to live.				

### **Chill-out time**

Qn 4 How often do you use the Ledbury Recreation Ground or walk or cycle through it?
At least once a week  At least Not very often  Never
Qn 5. Which activities do you enjoy in the Ledbury Recreation Ground. Please tick all the ones that you like to do.
Play Skate Football Equipment Park
Open Space Playing Basket Other Ball
Qn 6 Please say what other activities you enjoy in the Ledbury Recreation Ground.
Qn 7. Please tick any of the following if you think they are needed at the Ledbury Recreation Ground?
Toilets Shelter More seating Café
Sculpture / Soft drinks More Artwork outlet planting
Other, please say what
Qn . 8 Do you ever play in the St. Martin's Road play Yes No area?
Qn. 9 Please tell us if you think the St. Martin's Road play area needs improving and what needs to be done?

Qn . 10 D	o you ever	play in the	New Mills p	olay areas?	Yes	No (	
Qn. 11 Ple to be done?		if you think	the New M	Iills play areas n	need improv	ving and wl	nat needs
		in Ledbury o		/ go to chill out	with family	y and friend	ds?
Riversid are		Woods		Oatleys Meadow		Walled Garden	
•	•			ury that we e say where			
	•	_		es do you <i>do</i> ot chool PE lessons		school PE	lessons?
Swimming		Cricket		Gymnastics		Tennis	
Football		Rugby		Dancing		Hockey	
Athletics		Martial Arts		Cycling		Horse Riding	
Netball		Golf		Badminton		Archery	
Boxing		Other , ple	•				

	school PE lessons, do you <b>go</b> to any of these sporting / exerciplease tick all the ones you <b>go</b> to.	ise
Swimming pool	Rugby Club Football Club	
Tennis club	Halo Gym / Leisure Centre  Schools	
Other places, please say where		
Qn. 15 Are there a places to do sports in Ledbury? Please	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
Scouts / Guides / Cubs / Brownies	Religious Groups  Stagecoach Theatre School  School  Control of the following? Please tick all the ones you go to.  Other Clubs or Groups	
Qn. 17 If there are	e any other groups you go to, please tell us in the box below	
Qn. 18 What else	do you think there should be in Ledbury for children to do?	
Qn. 19 Would you the ones you would I	u use any of the following if they were available? Please tick a ike.	all
Scooter School	Adventure Playground Mountain biking	

Qn. 20 Do you think Ledbury needs any or more of the following? (Please tick the things you feel are needed)
Nature Trail More green open spaces Picnic Area
Qn. 21 What other outdoor things to do would you like to see in Ledbury?
Safety
Qn. 22 Do you feel safe in Ledbury? (Please tick only one box)
Always Most of the time Sometimes Never
Qn. 23 Do any of the following traffic problems bother you?
Parking in Parking outside Speeding the streets schools traffic
Qn. 24 If you ticked any of the above, please could you give a description of what and where the problem is.
Qn. 25 Would pedestrian crossings at any of the following places enable you to walk or cycle to school more safely? Please tick all the ones that would help you.
Orchard Lane Bye Street Lower Road
Hereford Road New Street Bridge Street
Qn. 26 If there are any other places where you think a pedestrian crossing would help you, please could you say where:

Qn. 27 If there are times and places in Ledbury where you don't feel safe, please write them in the box and tell us what the problem is.
Wish list
Qn. 28 What would be the one improvement or new opportunity in Ledbury you would most like to see?
About you
Qn. 29 Are A boy? A girl?
Qn. 30 Do you live In Ledbury? In the surrounding villages and countryside?
Qn. 31 Which school do you go to?
Ledbury Bosbury Much Marcle Eastnor
Ashperton Bromesberrow Cradley School not on this list
Qn. 32 Which year group are you Year 5 Year 6 in?

### **APPENDIX 2 – ANSWERS TO FREE TEXT QUESTIONS**

#### Question 2 – What Do You Think Is Good About Ledbury?

#### Children who live in Ledbury

he very nice town and it is a nice little place	
kate park	
veryone is good	
verything is good about Ledbury swimming pool, park, shops and cafes	
t is really friendly and has good shops and shows	
ots of shops and places that we like to go and Ledbury has big shops	
ots of shops and everyone there is kind	,
t's a very historic and fun place to live in and it's very interesting learning about the market house	
t is a place where I feel safe	
riendly people, fun park	
he new park and friendly people	
t's nice, clean, good equipment at the rec	
he friendly people	
here is a large range of activities to do there and they can be for all different ages	
he skate park	
t has good shops, play areas, the neighbours are friendly	
park	
t think about children and adults	
hops are good park town centre	
t's got good parks	
hat there is a Market House	
he old Market House	
ange of different shops and things going on	
nany shops	
he skate park but it needs to be clean	,
ots of shops and stores	,
he park	
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ıll of the history	
ariety of entertainment	
he park, the town and the shops	
he events we have are interesting	
he park and town	,
veryone is friendly and it is normally peaceful	
t has peaceful surroundings and lovely people	
veryone is friendly and it's a happy place	
rery happy and popular place	
t is fun and calm and everyone comes here	
veryone is friendly and its a happy atmosphere	
even though it's little everyone that's there is really nice	
he park is amazing	
The park is very attractive	
ravellers come to gaze at the Tudor structures. Sweet shops. The park where I can play with my do	gs

there is a rec Ledbury is a fun, peaceful place the skate park and friendly people it is busy and I like it like that the park products are really fun lots of places to go sweet memories is a good sweet shop the shops, the skate park because it is very interesting to be at chip shop sweet shop all the sports clubs etc swimming pool. library, Tesco skate park the people it's got a big park friendly and pretty nice friendly and the park the park friendly, attractive it's the places where you can bike in the Market House, the rec it's not busy, there's a swimming pool so schools can go swimming I really like the recreation ground historic things everybody knows each other it is closer to where my step-dad works and I can walk to school by myself it's somewhere I can go I to town with my friends and feel safe having a town centre Ledbury is a good place to live - High school is close to where I live the woods and the park it is fun and clean woods, skate park and town very historical and attract tourists the park area is good wood not very many people live here skate park there's lots of sports the park and school because it's in the countryside people seem really friendly, I love the old buildings - it has so much history the way that kids can go out safely because it isn't busy the skate park small variety of shops lots of nice places to eat and the new gym area skate park, fish and chips, swimming pool the town is good with all the shops history, schools, library the pool, pubs, parks park and exercise machines it's history is cool the swimming pool it will be better with a proper diving board the friendly people

people are often kind

quite a safe place to live in I think it is a beautiful place and it has nice cafes and shops lots of nice shops and friendly people museums, cafes, charity shops, markets no-one is bad and everyone is friendly rec skate park the modern side of Ledbury and the historic side of Ledbury the park, the old buildings. some people Ledbury is clean the skate park lots of shops in such a small place swimming pool rec equipment places for sports nothing the park the rec and Deer park friendly people nice people basketball court Ledbury is a good place to ride your scooter and things the sights and old places the fair loads of people that you can talk to the new park equipment the shops with disabled access I like Ledbury because of the countryside it's nice and calm the park to be able to walk history I love the sweet shop skate park there is a rec fish and chip shops, swimming pool, skate park, schools the park the sweet shops and shops that there are great shops and people are very friendly, also there are values shared its Tudor houses the shops are good, the school is cool and the rec is amazing the rec and size of shops the park is the best thing about Ledbury it has all needs to keep you happy, healthy and alive the market house playground is fun with the new equipment - it really stands out

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it has a variety of shops, cafes and events
there is a park and places where you can meet up with friends and family
I like the friendliness and surroundings and the swimming pool
amazing sights of the Market House and all the coffee shops
swimming pool
it is very historic and I enjoy my time there
it's a nice rural town its peaceful and friendly
Town Friar, Dave Tang, swimming pool, shops
Ledbury Park, the range of shops, the swimming pool
that there are very good shops
they have a lot of shops and the people are friendly
there are places where children can go when their parents are shopping
Ledbury has a friendly atmosphere around
it's very interesting, fun and clean
it has lots of shops that I like
lots of shops and a swimming pool
the recreation area people are friendly
all of the history and that it's such a nice place
shops, cafes, people, recreation area
swimming pool, shops
the skate park, swimming pool, and John Masefield
town fryer
the swimming pool
it's a small town and it's easy to get to places
the fact that it has a pool and library and lots of shops and it has a supermarket
everyone is friendly
plenty of street-side shops
the swimming pool
that there are lots of places where kids can play
gym area and tyre swing
it has good fish and chips and friendly people
lots of shops
lots of shops
there are lots of different shops to buy different things in
I like all the shops
Ledbury is good because they hold a lot of carnivals
the market, the pool
recreation ground market, town centre
the market
Ledbury has lots of great and interesting shops
lots of shops and every year the hunt goes on
the history of the town
Ledbury is a nice place
train station and a main supermarket

my granny lives there
park, swimming pool
the park, swimming pool
it's not so busy
the houses, the Market House
swimming pool, JMHS, lots of shops
Ledbury's shops and cafes are good
the swimming pool, the curry house on the main street
skate park, swimming pool, JMHS, shops
When there is fairs
lots of shops
there are lots of food shops/cafes and friendly
it has lots of different shops
it has a park and fish and chip shops
skate park, fish and chip shop, swimming pool
the skate park and take-aways
it has a pool, skate park and fish and chip shops
shops, Tudor house/market
it has a variety of cafes and places to go and see
I like the black and white buildings
the swimming pool and shops everyone's safe lots of things to shop for
the parks and the pool
the park
it is friendly and quiet fun and calm
because it's a historic town
it's clean, quiet, and also very friendly
park, sweet shop,
its got lovely tea shops and coffee shops
lots of different shops
it's peaceful
that it's peaceful, and there is not much I would change
swimming pool, park, market place. It is a nice place to live
it's a good place to do food shopping
Because of all the shops and parks
I think it is a beautiful town that has been easy to deal with
all the parks
there's lots of shops
friendliness of people
the people are very friendly and I like the park
rugby, swimming and shops
supermarkets, swimming pools, JMHS, vets
the swimming pool, the skate park, fish and chips
skate park, park, shops
facilities like swimming pool
that it has a wide variety of things to do
big Tesco, park, High Street, High School, skate park, market store
Tudor house and market, pool
rador nodse dna market, poor

there's shops for everyone
there are lots of friendly people and shops
the toyshop
it is good that John Masefield school is there so we don't have to drive far
skate park take aways
the swimming pool
there are lots of things to do
it has so many activities
Ledbury is enthusiastic fun
really friendly
the park, the cafe
I like going to the park
that it has a park
lots of shops
the fish and chip shops and the skate park
Tescos Market House park line of shops
it's local, the library, swimming pool
the swimming pool and the library
the 2 museums and the parks
the shops
I like the shops when shopping swimming pool skate park library Butchers Row
museum
the swimming pool, skate park
swimming pool, Tesco, High Street
the rugby club
there is a lot to do
supermarkets, vets, swings, skate park, High Street, JMHS
friendly park
the houses
I think its very busy but really attractive with all the shops and the buildings
the Velvet Bean
it is peaceful
the markets
lots of people to talk to
lots of people go there, it's nice place to shop
that it is a local town with shops when you need them

### Question 3 – Two Things That would Make Ledbury A Better Place To Live

#### Children who live in Ledbury

a big nothing	
nothing	
little less busy stop people swearing at the skate park	
bigger skate park scooter shop	
big clothes and more food shops	
I love animals so a pet shop and a horse riding centre	
cinema and more shops, more clothes shops and a water park	

more clothes shops a bigger supermarket

more dog bins around and make a graffiti wall so people can express themselves through art

a few more shops

build new supermarket build some more houses

build a Sainsbury's cycle lanes and recycling bins in town

no dog poo on the cycle path

a values town and nothing else

more things at the market more houses by parks

more toy shops more skate parks

if people cleaned up after themselves and didn't drop litter better youth club

cinema, outside swimming pool

more toy shops and clothes shops

make the rec more chid friendly without all the shops closing down get a bigger supermarket

kid's clothes shops so people shop here not Hereford ice rink

more gym equipment more house

make the swimming pool bigger outdoor activity centre

warden on the rec get a Sainsburys

bigger swimming pool, more houses

keep the skate park clean stop people swearing there and drawing on the ramps

more bins, more roads/space

because it is close

bigger skate park stop teenagers wrecking the rec

more shops new hotel

don't close down the library don't close down the swimming pool

Sainsbury's, children's shop of toys

less noise on the treats at night more skate park

Asda more shops where could buy stuff for lower prices tennis court

more bins for less littering more shelter

less littering in the parks more bins more open areas

cleaner and no violence

no littering and no violent people

more shops and more parks

for it to be cleaner and no violence

for it to be cleaner no violence

litter pickers

Ice rink, airport

to stop teenagers smoking and littering the park Make sure that children are safe without an adult

maybe have a skate park nets on the goals

more clothes shops

add more stuff to the skate park make the park bigger

put more bins in and make sure it is clean

Asda Sainsburys. more children's clothes shops

cleaner - less gum and litter on the pavements more interesting shops like clothes shops

there should be a bit more shops keep it clean

more schools, less experience

clean shops

not to close down all the shops and police station, toy shop, clothes shops

bigger skate park a bigger swimming pool

scooter shop and a pizza

game, toyshop and cinema safer town and clean

bigger skatepark more shops

MacDonalds Game (shop)

bigger and better

gum bins, gum is always on the ground, a climbing area

more clothes shops and a cinema

a bit cleaner a better tesco

more well known shops extended skate parks

netball club, rock climbing club

stop the teenagers who stop scaring kids away from the rec less roads

better shops and maybe a big supermarket, like a big Asda or something

I think Ledbury is a better place than any others around outside

more dog mess bins

more shops and more parks

drinks shop by the park and a T-shirt shop

more shops and more chance to do sport

we should add a rock climbing club and ice skating club

more dog mess bins

less vandalism more shops for attraction

less vandalism

to have more fun equipment, theatres

better shops for school stuff more play equipment

tidier, more shops

try to stop so much littering

the teenagers not wrecking the rec bigger park

French bakery, café to get proper croissants

do not close the library do not close the swimming pool and gym

more bins, lots of people to clean up rubbish

bigger skate park, diving pool

I don't know

less rubbish, friendlier atmosphere is rec, less dog poo, more shops, keeping as it is, more house and supermarkets

more clothes shops another swimming pool

a bowling alley and arcade cleaner park and skate park

the rec could be better more parks and shops

to improve the swimming pool with slides and wave machines but to keep it at Lawnside Road to take the safety things off the swings at the rec

more clothing shops like school uniform

a bigger shop for toys and an arcade for under 18s

someone who would stay at the park to be safe values town

a friendly meeting place about what people like/dislike a pet shop

less noise at night more restaurants

netball club and rock climbing

the shops, more cleaner public toilets, stop littering and more toilets

the rec to be bigger, more stuff at the park

recycling bin shops

a better skate park

more room, less busy

most shops
fine people who litter enforce people have to clean up after their dogs
mountain bike track
cleaner and BMX track
stop the BMX graffiting on the ide of the ramps
more clothing shops make it a lot bigger
a car dealership move Watson fuels further down the road
the football field needs a goal net more skate park
not to close down all the hops, and get a bigger supermarket make the Rec more clean and child-
friendly
cleaner , and nicer people
so people don't swear people don't smoke in the park
values, people making friends
need more skate ramps need lower price drinks/food
more clean and more shops , houses and attractions
cleaner, safer rec a more lasting and fun poetry festival
need more things and places to visit
bigger park popular shops
I'd get a grant to make a downhill mountain bike trail in the woods
nicer people no drunks or bullies no people on drugs cleaner environment
the cinema
less school - only half a day more shops
maybe there should be more skate parks
have a game store, a KFC and McDonalds
a zoo
more fun activities more play equipment
no rubbish on the floor no more fights which cause life and death situations
some where to buy clothes
more tidy streets, more equipment for the rec
Mac Donald's, subway, cinema, upgraded swimming pool
more shops
to have nearby clothes shops extra lactose free food in supermarkets
the play areas
more clean, more interesting

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ore areas where you can have dogs, more clothes shops, keep shops open, more places where you n ride on horses and bikes
gger shops and a cinema
e rink and a horse riding centre for competitions
ore houses better shops
othes shops for kids music shop
gger
nema, bigger supermarket
ıving bigger houses more room in Ledbury
ake the skate park bigger improve the toilets

stop closing down shops put some games shops in to make it not as busy and safe proper car park, make it safer cinema bigger supermarket make the swimming pool bigger more parking spaces another pool - outside well-known shops like Next swimming pool improvements a New Look shop less people, more parking spaces make a really interesting thing that loads of people would like safer roads more pavements better swimming pool sports centre more car parking spaces I think there should be more things for teens and maybe a car park more shops like Argos bigger supermarket and a cinema cinema and a bigger supermarket less shops closing and cleaner streets rock climbing litter picking rota it could be a bit cleaner and have a KFC cleaner, friendlier cleaner, more shops for young people for it to be cleaner and have more clothes shops a cinema a bigger shop and a cinema improve the pool, more stalls in the market less litter, improve the pool improve the pool have more stalls in the market get rid of all the litter and the shouting people at night a welcome made out of plants. another sopping place like Asda or Morrisons more shops in the town centre, more play equipment (outside gym equipment) cinema bigger pool a bigger supermarket and an activity centre an elderly home more stores less litter, more pet shops less littering, fixing the park cleaner place an ice rink airport better swimming pool - diving boards more shops make the rec better the swimming pool more interesting less crowded improve the pool, do Ledbury Hunt more often more t the skate board ramps People to not charge past you to put more interesting shops needs to be cleaner for dogs and children could be cleaner more clothes shops for it to be cleaner and tidier stop people writing on the climbing frames bigger skate park and a subway bigger skate park, KFC, subway, MacDonalds bigger skate park and subway

a bigger skate park extreme sports centre, pedalo boats on a lake cleaner streets and more things to go to (more shops) cleaner pavements, another toy shop more facilities for children and a bigger swimming pool cleaner no rubbish around clean up dog poo safer cycling lanes and a bigger supermarket more shops more advertising more shops needed and more parks have more sports areas zoo, chocolate eatery nothing cleaner, pizza place tidy, more shops more tidy, and more good places bigger supermarket, cinema clean the parks more sports facilities More parks More supermarkets do not live there a climbing wall safer place keep it clean more shops cleaner there could be more children's clothes shops like new look or H&M and it could be cleaner not so busy, bigger shops except Tesco bigger houses, nature reserve area more kids shops like game, toy shops, a better swimming pool less busy sports centre, more places to park, a big walking site with nature nature reserve, water shops more police around, more attractions, pedalo boats no gangs better shops clean and more decor cinema, more shops railings at the side of the road no litter pick up litter swimming pool, pet shop make it more clean because the rubbish is everywhere if it was clean and had more sports activities bigger supermarket, cinema, fun activities, more shops more peaceful. more interesting safer town, bit cleaner a car park, better shops a bit cleaner and more shops cleaner, friendlier it could be a bit cleaner and more interesting better shops nature reserve bigger supermarket, cinema a bigger supermarket like a Sainsbury and a cinema

more clean, more parks
make new shops, make it exciting
a bit more fun, more events, no more big shops
have a bigger play area and make the swimming pool bigger
better shops, nature/park/walk space
the swimming pool needs to be hotter better shops
Better parking More activities
not crazy weather more parks more toy shops
swimming pool shops fields and woods
more things to do not as many cars
ice rink airport
not so noisy, pick up the trash a bit more
outdoor activity centre make the swimming pool cleaner
sometimes there are cigars on the floor and chewing gum
more police
it needs to be more interesting
it needs to be more interesting
clean it up and put more useful places and maybe sports areas

### Question 6 – Please Say What Other Activities You Enjoy In The Ledbury Recreation Ground

chilling out	monkey bars	
cricket court	sunbathing with friends	
tennis and badminton	most things but it needs to be a bit cleaner	
picnic	running around with my baby cousin	
zip wire	walking the dog	
zip wire	the pathway	
rugby	cricket	
the netball pitch	running around in the open space	
tennis	taking dog for a walk	
park by the skate park	Gym acromat	
biking	all of them	
racing	walking	
tyre swing	shipping and running	
picnic	playing games	
bike riding	messing around with friends	
tyre swing	run around with the dog	
the tyre swing	I love the swings	
rugby on the field area	cycling around it from home	
swimming	walking but not very often and playing	
sitting around and talking	playing	
shops	walking pets	
sport	zip wire	
walking my dog	having picnics	
having a picnic	swimming lessons	
having fun with friends	having a picnic	
swimming	the climbing frame	
swimming	walking the dogs	

swimming	zipwire	
the pyramid	cycling	
catch	swimming pool	
rugby	riding my bike	
I just cycle around	space to play with friends	
big fields	I like that it's dog friendly	
rounders	swinging tyre	
frisbee	tyre swing	
rugby	playing on my scooter	
playing	cycling	
playing	tennis	
play army and games	roller booting and biking	
walking around	tyre swing	
tennis	bike riding	
leaf collecting	playing games - tag	
running	tarmac/basketball	
running around	playing with my sisters	
	the zip wire and running around on the green	
swings	bit	
pull-up bars	the climbing	
boxing	having picnics there	
walk through	walking my dogs	
cycling, walking	sing the zip wire	
tag, running races in the open spaces	running around	
walking through	zip wire	
sitting on the picnic bench	Going to the ice cream shop	
taking little cousins to play there and playing with		
them	hide and seek, running	
cycling on the basket ball court	going to clubs	

### Question 7 – Please Say What Other Facilities Are Required In The Ledbury Recreation Ground

a better swimming pool	ice cream outlet	
a big park	little children's playground - toddlers	
a bigger little kids play area	mini golf	
a few things for smaller children and water equipment	more bins	
a nice picnic area	more colour	
a walk	more creative stuff and a trampoline	
animals area (nature)	more dog poo bins	
an assault course	more equipment	
an indoor play area	more nature	
animal play area	more new swings	
bigger little kids area	more play equipment for the younger children	
bigger skate park	more play stuff	
bike track	more ramps in the skate park	
bike track	more security	
bike trail	new ramps	

Bins	older kids play equipment and 'hang out' area
BMX track	open space
clean up the equipment	play area
cleaner field	play area with access for small animals and pets
climbing frame	police in the park
Club	put net in the goals white lines round the football pitch
community officer to make it safer	restaurant
crazy golf course	running track
cricket pitch	sheltered seating
drink shop	smoking area so the skate park smoke
energy drinks dispenser	somewhere to play tenis
games console shop	tables and chairs
get rid of nettles	tennis court
go kart place	tennis court
Houses	trampoline
I think it should have a place where teenagers can play so they don't break the equipment	trampoline
ice cream parlour	trampoline
ice cream shop	unlimited ice-cream van
ice cream stand	warden
ice cream stand	water play equipment like big fountains to run through
ice cream truck	

## Question 9 – Please tell us if you think the St. Martin's Road play area needs improving and what needs to be done?

a soft drink area	more parks
at about 6 pm gangs or groups of teenagers take over and it's quite scary	more play equipment
clean the dog poo	more slides
cleaned up	more softer ground
cleaning and safety	more stuff
cool stuff and trampoline	new equipment
I don't know about it- it needs to be signposted better	new equipment (been wrecked)
I don't think it needs improving	no, because there are lots of things there
I think it should have more equipment to play on/with	Nothing
it needs improving - lots of stuff there is broken and children (toddlers to my age) can't play because lots of older children I teens are there and don't let us in	Nothing
it needs more recondition	nothing it's fine
it needs to be clean and tidy and more stuff	plants and flowers could be planted
more equipment	replace all the things for less rusty play equipment

	the council should stop people from writing on the
more equipment, corner shop	inside of the tunnels
more equipment, more football goals	Yes
more equipment, more football goals	Yes

### Question 9 – Please tell us if you think the New Mills play areas need improving and what needs to be done?

a soft drinks area	more swings for the older children's park	
a trampoline	needs a big football field	
adding more swings	needs more play equipment	
another football goal	needs skate park there	
assault/fitness equipment	needs to be done up	
better play equipment	new climbing frame	
bigger	new equipment - not mouldy ones	
bigger equipment, cleaner area and nicer floor	new park near Gibson Road	
cleaning	new play equipment	
cleaning and fixing	no	
climbing frame, swing	no	
do it up	no	
equipment for older children fix the small park closed due to vandalism by Teme Way	no graffiti, more tidy ( no littering)	
fix the tunnel	no. I think it's nice the way it is	
football goals	nothing	
football goals	nothing needs improving	
golf ground and archery	nothing needs to be done	
good	rubbing off all the rude words and pictures	
I don't know - it needs to be better signposted	skate park	
I really like them	skate park	
I think that they need to cut the big green's grass		
more often in Prince Rupert Road	stop the graffiti and vandalism	
I think they need more equipment	stop vandalism	
it doesn't need improving	stop vandalism and graffiti	
it needs more recondition	take away the graffiti	
it needs stuff	the grass needs to be cut in Prince Rupert Road	
larger play area	the ground on Westburys needs replacing	
	there are some swear words which I think need to be gone and I think they need more equipment because I live near them and they	
less vandalism	are quite boring	
make it bigger	they are fine	
more equipment	they definitely do people act	
more equipment and cleaner	to add more equipment and keep the existing equipment	
more grown up equipment	to have a skate park there	
<del> </del>	to make it more attractive for more people to	
more play equipment	visit	
more play equipment	toilet, more space	

more play stuff	toilets
more security	toilets
	zip wire, a small skate park on the green will
more space	benefit
more swings	

## Question 9 – If you play in other open spaces in Ledbury that we haven't already mentioned, please say where?

at home	in town	rugby club fields
at home	jim	skate park
Biddulph Way park	just in the town	skate park
bottom of Lower Road park	just in the town	skate park
cafe (Nice Things)	Ledbury football/rugby club	Skate park
Childer Road	Ledbury school church	smallish field byTeme Way
Childer Road	Market House	street
Childer Road	market house	swimming centre
countrywide	Market House	swimming pool
countrywide	Market House	swimming pool
cricket pitch	Market House	swimming pool
Deer Park	Market House	swimming pool
Deer Park	Market House and Frith Woods	tescos
Deer Park	my back garden	the church
Dog Hill Wood	my garden and road	the green in New Mills
eastnor and loads more	my house and the rec	the Leasowes
flower fields	my house	the meadow at the bottom of Victoria road
football pitch	nice things	the old train lines
football pitch	our garden	the park
friends house	park	the rec
Frith Wood	playground	the shops
Frith Wood	pub gardens	the town
Frith Wood	rec	town
Full Pitcher field	rec	town centre
green in Prince Rupert Rd	rec	Viking Way green
I don't play anywhere else	River Leadon	Wessibres
I only go to Ledbury for		
swimming lessons	Ross Road	wooden park
in parks	Ross Road	woodland walk
		Yeoman Close park

#### **Question 13 Other Sports Undertaken**

basket ball	go karting, rounders	rounders
basket ball	hand ball	sailing, high ropes,ski
basket ball	ice skating	sccotering
basket ball	ice skating	scootering

basket ball	ice skating	scootering
Basket ball	land training	scootering and skateboarding
bat and trap	motor cross	scooting
climbing club GLoucester	playing on the xbox	scooting
cross country running (race for life), sailing/surfing, skiing, water polo	rock climbing at the warehouse	scooting
den making	roller booting	scooting
dodge ball	rounders	shooting (targets)
dodgeball	rounders	squash
dodgeball	rounders	wind surfing
downhill	rounders	wind surfing, bowling
Flow Flies	rounders	

### Question 14 Other than school PE lessons, do you *go* to any of these sporting / exercise places in Ledbury? Please tick all the ones you *go* to.

3g pitch	skate park
Absolute Fitness	Ledbury school for kick boxing
ballet classes	motocross/MX
bowling club	Neat Feet
boxing club	neat feet ballet
boxing club	neat feet ballet
Burgage Hall	neat feet dancing
community centre	park and the gym
Cradley football club	Pegasus club
cricket ground	rec
cycling in the woods	River Leadon
dancing club	rounders club
dancing club	shops
dancing schools	skate park
Eastnor and around Ledbury	skate park
green spaces	skatepark
gym at the rec	the rec
gym equipment	the skate park
horse riding club	training
I do swimming lessons in Malvern	woods

## Question 15 Are there any other sports or places to do sports you think should be in Ledbury? Please say what these are.

a big running track	cycling club	Neat Feet dancing
a bigger swimming pool and		netball
maybe with a slide	cycling track go Karting	
a cricket pitch	dance club	netball
a horse stables or petting zoo	dance schools and hockey club	netball club climbing club
a place for lacrosse and hockey	desperate to go to archery	netball court

a running track	diving pool	netball court
activity centre	dodgeball	no
another swimming pool	fencing	no
another swimming pool		on the re where the football bit
because there is only one	football	in the town
archery	go karting, running	Pegasus club
archery club	golf	pet shop
athletics	golf	PGL
		pottery, arts and crafts,
athletics club	golf	drama
athletics, cycling	golf athletics	riding school
Martial arts, judo, football	golf club	riding school rock climbing
badminton	gym	riding school for horses
badminton club	gymnastic and martial arts	rock climbing
basket ball	gymnastics	rock climbing
basket balls	gymnastics	running
bigger swimming pool with		running club
slide and an outside swimming		_
pool	hockey	
biking	hockey	running track
BMX track	hockey centre	running track
BMX track	hockey club	synchronised swimming
body zorbing	hockey pitch	table tennis
bowling	horse riding	tennis courts diving boards
		tennis courts that you're
boxing and golfing	horse riding	allowed on for free
children's running club	horse riding petting zoo	trampolining
climbing lessons	horse riding, cheap preferably ice skating	velodrome
	I think they should have a big building somewhere for a	wheel chair rugby
climbing wall	range of clubs to be	windowsing lake
crazy golf course	indoor skate park	windsurfing lake
cricket	martial arts	zamba school
cricket	mini golf	zig-zag sports coaching at JMHS
cricket ground	more dirt track for bikes	
cycle track	motocross	
cycle track	mountain biking in Dog Hill Wood	

### Question 17 If there are any other groups you go to, please tell us ......

badminton club	kick boxing, swimming	Steel Pans
ballet	Ledbury Swifts Steel Pans	
biking	Ledbury Swifts football club	swimming and ballet
boys road racing in Ross	Ledbury Swifts girls' football club	swimming club
cricket	Ledbury swimming club	swimming club

dance	Ledbury swimming club	swimming club
		swimming club - Ledbury and
dance class	ledbury swimming club	District
dance group called Create	martial arts	swimming clubs Ladasc
Dance in Motion in Malvern	Melody Dance	tennis
dancing	Melody Dance Company	tennis
football	Neat feet ballet	tennis and swimming clubs
football	Neat Feet dancing	tennis coaching tap at Jm
football	Neat Feet dancing	tennis, running
football	pony club	theatre school
	Rock Rats at the warehouse	town
	Glee club at school mountain	
football and rugby club	boarding	
football club	rounders	Two Left Feet dance club
football club	rugby	Watchgroup
		whacky warehouse there's one
football places	rugby club	in Burnley
glee club, drama/dance/music	rugby, tennis, swimming,	wind surfing
school;	boxing	
gymnastics	scootering club	young farmers
Hereford	shooting club	youth club
kick boxing	sports clubs	zumba

### Question 18 What else do you think there should be in Ledbury for children to do?

a better football pitch	camping sights and more family holidays and more stuff to play on	more football pitches
a big open space	children's shops	more parks
a children's running club	children's shops	more play equipment and a bit more interesting
a circus	cinema	motorcross
a climbing wall	cinema	mountain biking
a climbing wall	cinema	netball and climbing club
a field	clean building	new skate park
a graffiti wall	climbing	nothing
a laptop shop for homework and kids clothes shop for 5 years and over	climbing wall, archery, art place for all ages	once in a life time opportunities water zorbing go karts
a mini gym not on the rec	computer club (sims)	ore fun like a bouncy castle
a petting zoo for meerkats and other small pets	cycle path	outdoor swimming pool
a running place	cycle track and a golf course	outside activity centre
a science museum	cycling	park
a soft play area for babies	dancing	parks, open fields to play in
a sports centre	dodgeball	petting zoo
activities, singing (choir), fun place for kids like a water park	electronics places, shops, cinema	places that teach you front flips and back flips
activity centre	fencing	quad biking

activity centre	fencing and archery	regular coaching sessions
activity centre	fishing	rescue centre for animals
activity centre	fun activities, white water rafting	rock climbing
adventure park/playground	fun fair	rock climbing
adventure playground	fun fair	rock climbing
adventure playground	fun house for kids	rock climbing
adventure playground more		
bigger schools	go karting	rock climbing wall
adventure playground and		
horse riding lessons	go to an arcade	rock climbing, cycling course
agility course	graffiti wall	rounders
an arcade ground	gymnastics	running club
an art school		scavenger hunts to do with the
	have a BMX track	family
an outside activity centre for		
day/residentials	have a maze	scooter lessons
arcade	hockey	scooter school
arcade centre	horse riding	scooter trick lessons
art and cooking cases for		
children up to 18	horse riding	scootering trick lessons
art centre	horse riding	scooters, drink or play
art classes	horse riding	shops
art club, studio	horse riding and allotments	sports centre
art clubs, vending machines,		sports/netball other play
colleges	horse riding school	areas
art, sweet and ice-cream and		
candy floss shops	ice skating	squash
arts centre	ice skating and bowling	sweet shop
assault course	ice skating rink ski slope	tennis court on the recreation ground with free rackets and balls
badminton court		Dulis
badiiiiitoii tourt	indoor area while your mum goes shopping	the chance to try sport for free
basket ball	indoor skate park	trampoline
better markets - the chance to	iliuooi skate park	tramponne
learn about different cultures		
ski slope - not dry	indoor ski club	Trampolining
better sweet shops	junior bake-off	velodrome
big climbing frames music	junior youth club for 7 - 11 to	- VEIGUIOITIC
area where you can just play	do art and play games computer club	vending machines (food and drink) around Ledbury
bigger park	kids clothes shops music shop and lessons	water activities
bigger skate park	Ledbury fitness club	water park
bigger skate park	make the skate park bigger	water park
bigger skate park	man-made beach	yoga
biking	martial arts class	youth club
biking in a certain place	mini golf	youth group

BMX track	mini mall at the old youth	mini mall at the old youth centre for children more shops	
	with equipment you can use as essential for cooking	youth group extreme sports centre	
BMX track	mini mud runner	zorbing	
bowling	mini mud runner		

### Question 21 What other outdoor things to do would you like to see in Ledbury?

a big green with lots of		
sculptures on it	dog parks	paintball and laser tag ground
a bigger skate park	dog walk area	park
a cycle track	duck pond	pet shop
a dog park	eco garden	pet shop
a fair	eventing course	place to go fishing
a garden centre and local animal centre	famous footballers playing against each other	pond
a library with an outdoor		
reading space	farm parks	ponds and wildlife are
a shelter	fields	riverside
a wildlife sanctuary	fishing pond	rock climbing
a wood for picnics	football spaces	rock climbing
a wood or another skate park	forest	rock climbing
adventure playground	forest	rock climbing and absailing
allotment (public, where you buy spot)	garden with butterflies	rounders pitch
area for families to have a		
peaceful time	go karting	rugby
basket ball	go karting	rugby
	green open spaces dedicated	
	to nature and plants with	
bigger skate park	picnic area	running
bike tracks	hotel	running track
bike tracks	indoor skate park	scher house
biking	lake or a pond	scootering
biking course	mini golf	swimming pool more gyms
boating lake	mini zoo	tennis courts (free)
body zorbing	more parks	To find animals
bridle paths	more planting	tree climbing space
bushcraft activities in the woodland	more skate parks or football clubs	Walking paths through the wood and near the river
children's tennis club	more things for kids	water park
climbing wall	More woods	water park
climbing wall	motorcross	wild horses in a field
3	museum outdoor swimming	
cycling course	pool	wild life area

dirt tracks	nature reserve, place for animals to be safe - no shooting	wildlife and culture
dog park	new basket ball court	zip wire
dog park	no	zip wire
	out door swimming pool with big water	zip wire
	outdoor pool	zip wire
	outdoor science lab	zip wire, boat sailing
	outdoor swimming pool with fountains	zipwire park
	outdoor trampoline	
	paint balling	
	paintball	

#### Question 23 – Problems Caused By Street Parking

all over the town	spaces always taken up
because of disruption	when you go to cross cars often block your view
because sometimes there is not many spaces	takes ages
because there is nowhere to park	takes ages
because there's not many spaces	that you can't get into schools or places when crossing the roads
by the :Little Shop of Wonders you can't see	the adults who don't have children who are at
cars pass because big lorries parked	park
By the market house	the parking because they park too far away
by the playground	the street is going straight forward and it is so long
cars use my street as a free car park	my mum finds it hard to park or find a space
damage	there is hardly any space
everywhere	there is not enough parking spaces
everywhere in the streets	there is nowhere to park in the streets
hard to park	there never seems to be enough space
if you have a big car then you can't get through	there's no room to pass people
In town	There's not always enough parking spaces
parked cars are always in the way everywhere	they're in the way
in the main road	Thomas Close
in town centre	too busy
it annoys me	too much traffic
it make it hard for cyclists	Town Centre
its really annoying because you have to drive	
around looking for somewhere to park	Town Centre
it's really hard to get the cars all in one space	traffic always slows us down
Ledbury	traffic jams
lots of disabled parking no-one uses	traffic jams, car accidents

market place	when I'm riding my bike , everywhere
	when people are parked on streets and you
most of the places in Ledbury are packed	can't drive
	when people park all through the streets there
my dad finds it hard	is hardly any room on the road
	when people park in the streets wen a car
my mum finds it hard to park	comes at you, you have to reverse
	parking in the street prevents is from going
near one stop	places
	when they park in the streets it is hard for us to
New Mills	see when we cross
normally on a busy day it is hard to find a	when you want to go somewhere you can never
parking space	park
nowhere to park	when you're late it looks frustrating
on a thin road people park there and cars can	you can't get past cars, no space for the
hardly get through the road	minibus, speeding traffic is annoying
	you can't see what's coming on the other
on roads so it is hard to walk along them	direction
	you try and cross to go to the rec and you have
Albert Road - parking in the street	to walk all the way up the road
	parking in the streets, they block your drive and
outside shops	I can't play
outside shops (opticians, sweet shop) late for	parking outside my house and leaving their car
appointment	there for a few days
outside the coop	people park on the bypass
	people over the road don't usually put their cars
outside the pharmacy	on the drive
	people park in the streets because there are
parking in new street	hardly any car parks
parking in street so you can't see over them and	
if a car comes you could get hit by it	sometime they park on the paths
parking in the streets doesn't give drivers	
enough room	

### **Question 23 – Problems Caused By Speeding Traffic**

	speeding - traffic goes too fast down my road and we use our scooters and bikes there when
along the main roads people could crash	you go to cross cars often block your view
as one person jumps the lights others will	speeding along the bypass
because even in narrow roads everyone goes fast	speeding traffic because it's hard to cross the road by the skate park
because sometimes when people are in a rush it's dangerous	the lines at traffic lights get long, when they go green they speed away
by Orchard Lane - the traffic lights are really	
slow	the roundabout
by spar	the traffic going too quick my mum finds it hard to park or find a space

by Tesco, students walking home and cars rush	the traffic id too fast and it's hard to cross the	
in dangerously	street because there are so many cars	
	there are lots of children in Ledbury so they are	
by the playground	at risk of being hit	
cars go too fast in the road I live in	there are too much crazy cars everywhere	
cars going over 50 MPH when the limit is 30		
mph down Hereford Road	through town, down roads	
children adults crossing can get knocked over	traffic jams, car accidents	
Conigree	traffic that speeds and makes noise	
down our road	trying to cross the road	
end of town trail near railway station	up town some people zoom past the shops	
Full Pitcher roundabout	when I go to sweet memories	
	when we're driving at the limit we get	
	overtaken by people going double the speed	
going over red light when crossing road	they should be	
	when you are trying to walk over a road and	
going too fast on the road is annoying	there are no traffic lights	
	when you get to cross the big street cars come	
people speediing	really fast towards us	
Hereford road	where there aren't any traffic lights	
HIgh street is hard to cross By pass - nearly run	you can't get past cars, no space for the	
over	minibus, speeding traffic is annoying	
I don't feel safe because of speeding traffic		
when I'm crossing the road	near the rec	
I'm not sure	normally when you come into the High Street	
speeding traffic is really annoying at the Top	on my way to school- Knapp Lane should close	
Cross	because it's very dangerous	
in the main road	on the corner by the library cars often speed	
in the streets with cars and lorries	on the main road	
in town on Friday	on the main road	
Ledbury	on the main street traffic goes too fast	
loads of cars everywhere	on the main street ary sometimes speed	
lots of cars speed past	people almost knock you off your bike	
lots of people don't walk across the zebra	, , ,	
crossing and could have an accident	people could get knocked down	
	people going straight past a traffic light when	
mostly everywhere	its still on red and that's what causes the traffic	
	people going too fast and stopping in the	
in the town	middle of the road	
near the field	someone could get hurt	

### Question 26 If there are any other places where you think a pedestrian crossing would help you, please could you say where:

Barnett Avenue	on the Malvern road by the police station	
bike path	outside school	
Bosbury Road	outside the school	
by the bus stop	Parkway	

by the railway station	Parkway and outside school by rec	
by the station	right by LPS	
by the Worcester Road	Ross road	
Conigree	roundabout near home base	
Entrance to Dog Hill Wood and the path	roundabout near New Mills bypass	
Everywhere	Southend, Ross/Much Marcle road	
Gloucester Road	the crossing by Ledbury Primary	
just outside the school - LPS	the main street	
Knapp Lane	Top Cross	
Knapp Lane	Victoria Road	
Knapp Lane and from the railway station to the beginning of the Town Trail	where they put the dangerous parking	
light stop	New Mills	
Long Acres	New Mills area	
Long Acres	New Street, Top Cross	
LPS exit road	on our road	
main street		

### Question 27 If there are times and places in Ledbury where you don't feel safe, please write them in the box and tell us what the problem is.

#### Children Living in Ledbury

at the rec because lots of teenagers hang around they are also rude	roads	
big kids in the recreation ground	skate park	
bullies, big kids - my friend got slapped on the	Skute purk	
rec by one	smokers and drug dealers	
rec by one		
by the fitness stuff	sometimes at Knapp Lane I am crossing and	
by the fitness stuff	someone comes speeding round the corner	
by the police station where the Conjures is	sometimes at the parks because the teenagers take over	
by the police station where the Conigree is		
by the rec at night time	swimming pool	
by the rec because of weird people	teenagers in the rec that smoke	
by the reconset 6.00 nm	the alley by the rec skate park people are too	
by the rec past 6.00 p.m.	squashed and swear at you	
deer park and the park	the main town	
down by the community centre people take drugs	the park - older children swear	
down next to my house because some	the park - teenagers are loitering and they don't	
teenagers threatened me once	look safe to be around	
drunk people/teenagers - rec	the park at St. Martin's Way at night	
in the town with teenagers	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
In town I don't feel safe because there's	the park with all the adults without children	
teenagers who I don't know	the park with teenagers and they come up and	
Lawnside Road	get on what you're playing on the paths behind LPS	
Ledbury park	the paths behind LPS the rec -	
midnight murder	the rec - bullies, vandalism	
my home and street when dark and on my own.	the ree bannes, variables	
at night	the rec - the teenagers threaten to hurt people	
near the fish and chip shop by the park	the rec as I had people filming me	
New Mills, up town and in the park	the rec at night	
no	the rec at night - gangs	
	the rec because it has lots of litter noisy boys	
no	are there	
no	the rec because people beat people up	
no where	the skate park	
nowhere	the skate park because teenagers swear	
on the rec because teenagers are not nice to me		
and my friends	the streets at night	
one stop JM	the town	
park	Top Cross because of the traffic	
	up little alleyways where older children annoy	
park	you walking at pight because there is not anough	
park	walking at night because there is not enough light because it's quite scary	
park	when foreign people bash into you	
park because of people's videoing us	when older children are in the skate park	

people in hoodies walking I gangs when foreign people walk past me	when someone drives out of a parking space
rec - teenagers	when there have been situations
recreation ground	when you are by the Market House and there are lots of people there
recreation ground alleyways	woods
recreation ground, gangs, drugs	

### Children Living in Surrounding Villages and Rural Area

4.30 - 9.00p.m. around Tescos , older children		
chasing me Down Church Lane and Top Cross -		
uneasy, scary, older children chasing me	market place because of busy traffic	
alleys	middle of the road, back alleys, skate park	
alleyways	near main roads	
alleyways, I saw a man with a knife	New Mills because of teenagers	
always by the Market House	none	
anywhere where there are other children by		
speeding traffic/cars	not often but sometimes in the park	
at night	nowhere	
at night around the Market House	older children and back streets	
at night time in the streets	older children in the park	
at the park because people could murder you	on the road because of the traffic	
back alleys	on the streets	
back alleys, night	outside shops because it's always busy	
busy roads	Outside the Market House	
by the dark alleyways in the streets	recreation ground	
by the traffic	recreation ground	
Church Lane because there's young teenagers		
and other teens. They can catch you unawares	skate park late at night	
Church Lane by the Market House - weird		
people walk up and down it	teenagers in the park	
could be anywhere - thugs, drink drivers	Tescos because there's always people smoking	
crossing busy roads	the park - teenagers swearing and being rude	
crossing the busy road	the rec	
down alleyways	the rec because there is older children there	
	the recreation ground because there are older	
down the alleyways/walkways are creepy	people there not very nice	
Halo	the road	
	town because drunks and my uncle got stabbed	
I don't feel safe down the back alleys	there	
in alley ways	walking up the streets at night	
in alley ways there are people drunk or smoking	when I see older teenage boys in hoodies in the	
and I don't feel safe	Market House and the park	
in alleyways	when I walk along the back roads at night	
in Tesco	when people fight and break stuff	
lane near Paradise Balti	where there has been floods	
lots of smoking		

## Question 28 – What would be the one improvement or new opportunity in Ledbury you would most like to see?

### Children who live in Ledbury

climbing centre	water park	less littering child friendly
a big building with a big	speed camera to slow cars on	an arcade for under 18s, a big
selection of clubs in it	the Hereford road	toy shop, gun range
bigger supermarket	Water park	more car parks
rock climbing centre	Cycle track	warden on the rec
littering	tidy up Halo leisure centre	archery club
more fun stuff to get involved with and a better swimming pool	ice rink bowling alley Primark and New Look	tenis courts less rubbish and dog poo
less litter in the park	an indoor diving pool	swimming pool with slides
biking track ad climbing	a cycle track	a science museum
Z00	cycle tracks	some where to buy kiddy clothes
adventure playground	ski shop	ice cream plaza
a zoo	a bigger carnival	children's football stadium
bike track	rock climbing	no teenagers in the park 13-18
pet shop	a bigger and indoor skate park	for the parks to have more equipment and teenagers to stop taking over
toilets in parks	dirt scooter jumps with scooters to hire	I don't know
a mini zoo	subway, go kart	the woods
downhill bike track	an extra paving part for scooters	indoor skate p[ark
mountain bike trails in Dog Hill Wood	park	swimming centre
Security cameras in the park	a toy/games shop	bigger skate park
a mini zoo	rubbish on floor at park	a bigger supermarket
downhill bike track	cameras or something for security	bike shop
mountain bike trails in Dog Hill Wood	the swimming pool to improve - be bigger and more toys	more gym equipment
A sea side	bigger and indoor skate park	skate park
a swing	block up Knapp Lane	nicer scenery
trampoline	velodrome	rugby pitch
big garden with picnic area	more places to spend time	people not hogging the play
scavenger hunts	with your family and friends	equipment
netball club	horse riding	park
scooter school	a bigger scooter shop	A big toy shop
a children's fitness club	adventure playground	complete reconstruction f the Rec - no older than 14
new park	a park area	less bullies on the rec
rugby pitch	indoor skate park	litter

the swimming pool to improve - be bigger and more toys	improvement on the games shop in Ledbury	play equipment on the field at the end of Victoria road and Oatley road
cameras in park	Ice rink	toy/games shop
better swimming pool and more cafes	new ramps	trampolines
Bigger Skate Park	a pet	bigger skate parks

# <u>Children Who Live In Surrounding Villages And Countryside Or Who Did Not Indicate Where They Lived.</u>

Trampolining	bigger skate park	lollypop man and open grassy land
music store	bigger skate park	bigger supermarket
more friendly people	bigger skate park	a bigger shooting club
football stadium	forest	a bigger supermarket
more clubs people to study at	Jorest	a sigger supermarket
college	more things for kids and teens	cinema
climbing centre	more lessons	a wildlife centre
I would like to keep the pool	a playground	safety change
	7,1,9	supermarket needs to be
fishing pond	a slide in the pool	bigger
Ledbury football club	no more fights	cycle trails
more sports shops	a bigger swimming pool	cinema
a fair, a games centre	no more animal testing	rock climbing
skate park	rock climbing	camping sites arcade
		more greenery and bridle
a meerkat petting zoo	sports centre	paths
	make it more interesting, have	<b>P C C C C C C C C C C</b>
bigger skate park	a zoo	more wildlife
more open spaces/picnic areas	a circus	amusement park
an adventure park	rescue centre for animals	Z00
park with a duck pond	more parades	go kart place
museum and theatre	nature trail	no rubbish, more bins
more eco things	ice-cream parlour	a skate park for 15 and under
a 200	arcade bowling	forest
improve the pool	no smoking	more high schools
more car parks	All You Can Eat restaurant	bigger skate park
underground tunnels they	cinema and bigger	- 33
made them	supermarket	scooter school
fields and woods	gaming shop	mountain bike course
make the skate park bigger	more shops	no litter
	more pedestrian crossings up	making the swimming pool
more friendly people	the top of Ledbury	more fun
, , , ,		make the kids area bigger e.g.
quiet area	more cleaning	skate park, playgrounds
new roads - no pot holes	a big bike trail	more things for children to do
a diving pool with a water slide	a cinema	games centre
stop people likebeing bad	trampoline	a golf, football and sports club