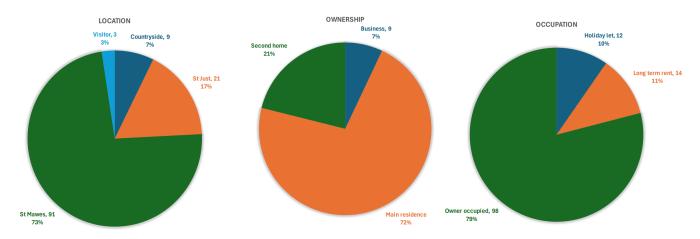
## **ENVIRONMENT WORKING GROUP - SURVEY RESULTS**

## **OVERALL RESPONSES**

The first thing that most people will want to know is 'what responses did we get'? There were 131 replies with 920 forms distributed. A 'Membership' organisation's survey response rate is expected to be between 10 and 30% so, at 14%, we are in that bracket. The distribution of those replies is shown by the various part of Section 1 below. From this you can see that there appears to have been a better response rate from St Mawes, 'Main Residences' and 'Owner Occupiers'. Whilst all the other categories are represented in the results, no one can suggest that Second Home Owners and those who let out their properties have 'distorted' the results. The results of this survey appear to reflect the views of those 'locals' who returned the form.



The age profile registered in the responses is 'interesting' with Over 70s, 45 –70 and under 45 being roughly equally represented. This may (or may not) be a fair reflection of the population in the Parish but, if it is, it clearly shows the 'challenge' we face with a shortage of 'young families'.

## **SECTION 6 RESPONSES: ENVIRONMENT**

This section addressed 4 specific issues: the pie charts showing responses are below.

On a Parish response to the Climate Change Emergency, 64% of responses want to see action taken at Parish level with only 13%

disagreeing with this. With this mandate, the challenge for the Working Group is to identify pragmatic, credible and affordable ideas to take forward to the Stage 2 Consultation in November.

**RESPONSES BY AGE** 

21-45

On the formation of a Climate Emergency Group there was rather less support (at 48%) although this outweighed the 15% who disagreed. If the Working Group feels this is sufficient to proceed, we need to recruit members to such a group and boost support at the Stage 2 Consultation by presenting some clear ideas of what this Group would do and the benefits to be gained.

Local action to preserve the environment gained the greatest support in this section with 70% (and only 9% disagreeing). With this level of support, perhaps this topic should form the main effort for our Group in terms of developing deliverable ideas for Stage 2 Consultation?

The Community Renewable Energy Scheme is the only item in our topic where the 'disagrees' (just) outweigh the 'agrees' (and we should assume that the 41% 'neutrals' are 'passive negatives'!) Whilst it only needs a few individuals to work together to deliver a 'collective' scheme, the responses suggest that our Working Group should focus on those items that have clear community support and be explicit about this (given the various specific suggestions in the comments).

Many 'comments' have been offered from the survey returns. We clearly need to address the widespread scepticism by developing ideas that deliver something! Attached is a summary of all the comments made against section 3 and against Section 11 (Closing Comments) - several of which relate to the environment.

