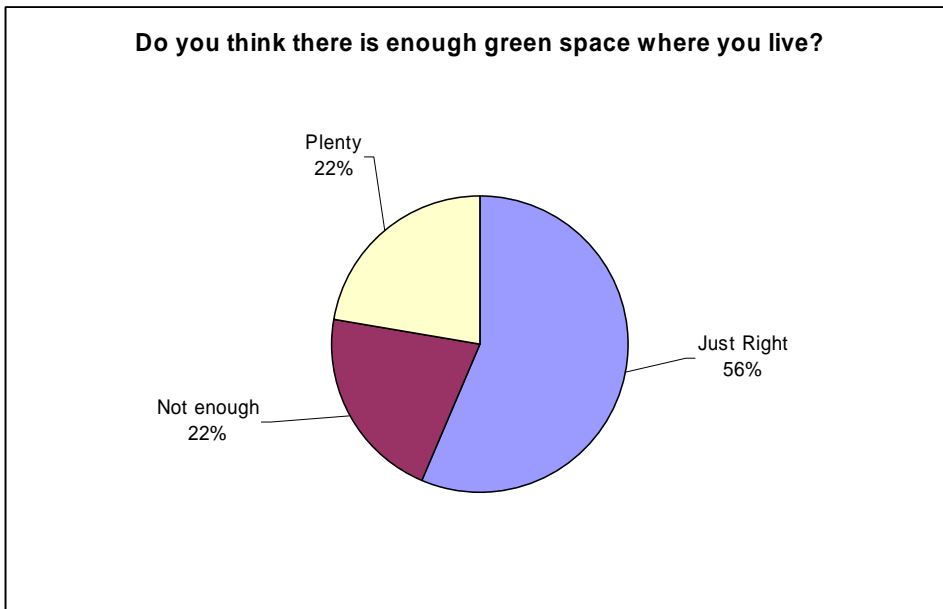


Public Consultation – Questionnaire

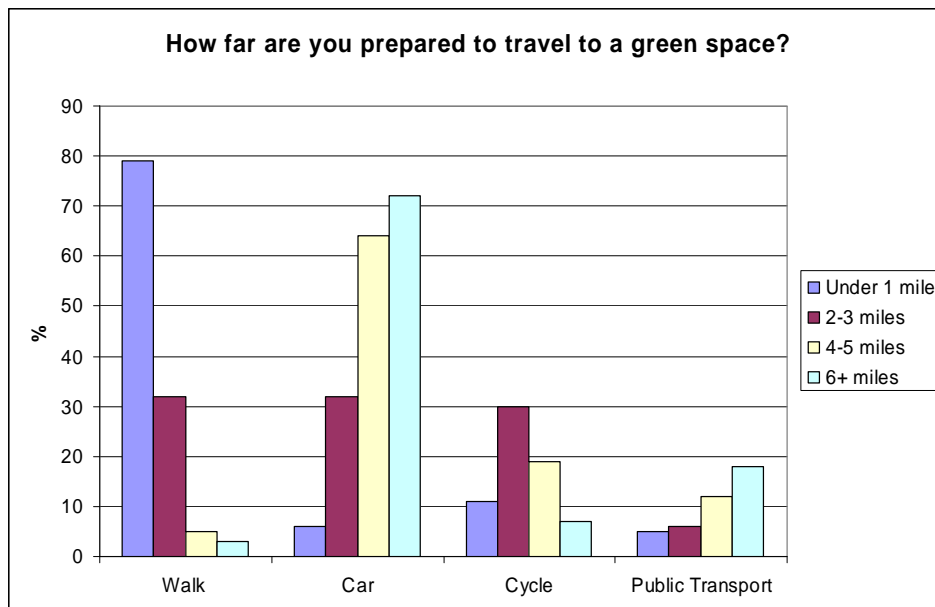
A questionnaire was designed to get the views of users and non users of the Districts green spaces. The questionnaire was made available at the Council Offices, the website and was published in Uttlesford Life. In total 912 questionnaires were returned. Respondents were asked what they thought about the level and quality of the existing green spaces and what improvements they would like to see.

Questionnaire – General Findings

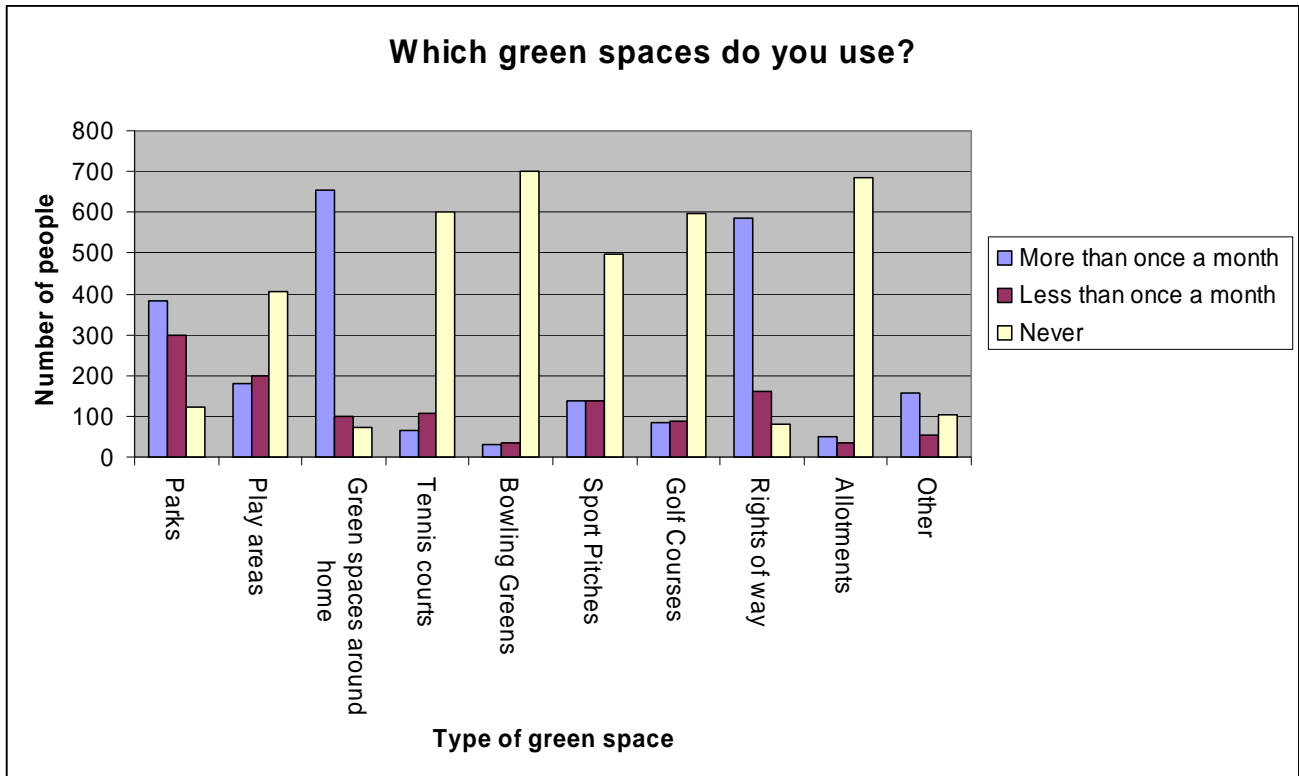
People were asked whether they thought there was enough green space where they lived, the graph below shows the findings. Surprisingly 56% of people said that it was just right and the same percentage of people said there was plenty as those that said not enough.



People were asked to say how far they would be prepared to travel to a green space and by what mode of transport. The majority of people said that they would walk to a green space if it was under a mile.



The graph below shows that the most commonly used green space is green space around your home, followed by rights of way. Bowling greens and allotments are the least used.



One of the questions in the questionnaire was “What are the good and bad points of our green spaces?” Below are some of the most common responses:

Good Points

- Well kept and accessible
- Well maintained
- Children’s play areas are safe
- They look attractive
- Great places to walk
- Good for wildlife
- Pathways in countryside are good
- Safe
- Good mix and choice of open spaces
- Free access

Bad Points

- Rubbish
- Dog fouling
- Not enough of them
- They will soon be built on by developers
- Not enough sports fields
- We need more cycle paths
- Not enough seating
- Vandals
- Intimidating youth
- Some public rights of way not respected by land owners

Below is a copy of the questionnaire.

Tell us what you think of Uttlesford's Green Spaces

Uttlesford District Council is currently carrying out an audit of publicly accessible green spaces in the district. This will help us to draw up a strategy to make them more inviting and accessible to all.

To enable us to complete this strategy we need to know what residents and visitors want from our green spaces and what they think of the facilities provided.

We would be very grateful if you would complete this questionnaire.

1. This is a list of some of the green spaces in Uttlesford. Please tick all the ones you use.

	More than once a month	Less than once a month	Never
Parks			
Play areas			
Green spaces around your home			
Tennis courts			
Bowling greens			
Sports pitches			
Golf courses			
Rights of Way			
Allotments			
Other			

2. If you do not use any of the above green spaces, please say why not.

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3. Do you think there is Enough green space where you live?

Plenty	
Just right	
Not enough	

4. How far are you prepared to travel to open space?

	Walk	Car	Cycle	Public Transport
Under 1 mile				
2-3 miles				
4-5 miles				
6+ miles				

5. What are the good and bad points of our green spaces?

Good.....

 Bad.....

6. Any other comments?

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Please give us a few details about yourself

7. Age

Under 16	16-24	25-49	50-64	65-74	75+

8. Gender

Male	Female

9. What is your postcode?

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME