## **Energy Saving for Vigo**



The Parish Council published a questionnaire titled Energy Saving for Vigo with its Annual Report for 2023. This invited all residents to inform the Council whether there are specific energy-related issues concerning them that it may be able to assist with.

The questionnaire had 3 sections:

- 1 Our Houses, their standard of insulation and whether residents feel strongly that they wish to make improvements
- 2 Our Cars and whether the lack of convenient charging points is putting us off buying electric
- 3 Our Expertise and whether we have experts living in Vigo who would be prepared to help our community

A total of 33 responses were received and these showed that there are no specific issues that stand out as being of concern to residents.

72% of respondents stated they wanted to make improvements to their heating and/or insulation and 66% felt they lacked information to make informed decisions. 50% (16) of respondents stated they would like to know more about energy saving tips and 44% (14) said they would be prepared to attend a talk on energy saving.

Respondents did make comments regarding what additional information would be helpful but these did not highlight any over-riding issue or concern, rather, they covered a wide range e.g. cavity wall insulation, solar power, grants, heat pumps etc.

Only 8 (24%) respondents said the lack of a convenient place to put a charging point was putting them off buying an electric car although almost the same number (7) said they would be happy to tell us more about their electric charging needs.

In the last section, 1 person has said they have expertise in this area and that they would be willing to contribute time towards helping the Parish Council and/or residents. We are extremely grateful to this person and will be making contact with them.

The Parish Council is very grateful to all those who submitted questionnaires. We will use this information to prioritise the issues we focus on to make sure we spend our time dealing with those that are most important to our community.

Vigo Parish Council

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