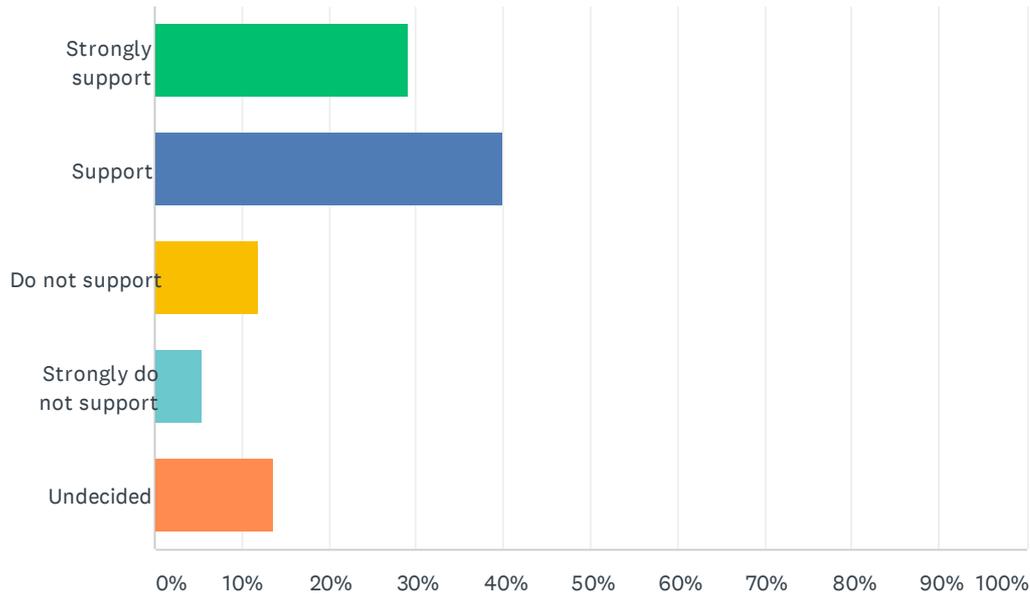


## Q5 Do you support Project D: our vision for a High Street Property Intervention - acquiring and redeveloping buildings on the High Street that may shortly fall out of use?

Answered: 828 Skipped: 33



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly support	29.11%	241
Support	39.86%	330
Do not support	11.96%	99
Strongly do not support	5.43%	45
Undecided	13.65%	113
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>828</b>

#	ANY COMMENTS?	DATE
1	We don't need to have flats on the high street. Make shops not residential.	10/11/2020 9:30 PM
2	This should have happened through the earlier and unfinished refurbishment of Statikn Street!	10/11/2020 4:03 PM
3	I would strongly support this action, providing that it was done so in a commercially sensitive manner. Rather than being used to prop-up failing or struggling ventures, it should be used to bring once in a generation, sustainable change. For example, opening up and redeveloping the high street to reposition it and make best use fo the Washlands/river Trent in a manner similar to that of Stratford-upon-Avon. I believe the example set by 'Architectural Heritage Fund' established in Great Yarmouth by the Great Yarmouth Preservation Fund would be an excellent candidate for emulation of the project.	10/11/2020 3:59 PM
4	See general coments below	10/11/2020 3:48 PM
5	The High Street looks tired and not attractive. Any improvement to make it a more attractive place to visit rather than see it slowly die could make the town centre more attractive to visit with knock on commercial benefit.re a	10/11/2020 3:09 PM
6	Before WW2 the area between High Street and the river was solid brewery buildings preventing links from the town to the river and washlands. I suggest that 158 High Street (formerly the Market Hotel / White Horse Inn, most recently a solicitors office) is bought and restored to it's original 1880s layout - an archway from High Street to the rear of the site was enclosed and made part of the building. If opened up it could create a way of driving another much safer and more attractive pedestrian route directly from High St to the river.	10/11/2020 3:04 PM
7	The High Street is a bit of a mess. No overall theme or attraction for many members of the community.	10/11/2020 2:55 PM
8	As shops close replacing them with housing would bring life back to the town centre and stop vandalism	10/11/2020 2:13 PM
9	To what end? Renovating without clear purpose and sustainable end use for property should not be encouraged.	10/11/2020 12:57 PM
10	Acquired properties should be used for new business startups that will encourage more people to visit the High Street. Any acquired properties should be held in charitable trust so that they cannot easily be sold off by the Council at some future time.	10/11/2020 12:37 PM
11	I support the intention to intervene and make sure buildings stay in use but this has to be done alongside a better plan to improve and regenerate the town centre.	10/11/2020 10:56 AM
12	It's a question of priorities. This wd be low down my list.	10/11/2020 9:10 AM
13	Need to act now to support what is there and reverse a downward spiral, with an upward one.	10/10/2020 10:21 PM
14	Once again, using public funds to support private business and their premises is not the remit of this fund. is not the remit	10/10/2020 9:15 PM
15	Does this include Bargates and driving development on this forward.	10/10/2020 7:32 PM
16	Adapting, improving and repurposing unneeded retail premises is essential, as we will never again need as much retail space. Changes of use in the central area requires a strategy and must not be done piecemeal. Most important of all, such fundamental changes in the town centre will necessitate acquisition of key properties. Only the local authority, with a plan -led interventions, can achieve this. A high priority.	10/10/2020 6:03 PM
17	Council should encourage developers to do this...	10/10/2020 3:21 PM
18	Do not support	10/10/2020 12:31 PM
19	It will need to recognize the changing face of the high street and needs to support specialized artisan type shops and acknowledge that the old high street will not return	10/10/2020 11:43 AM
20	Its clear that many business and individual property owners, are neglecting the efforts of previous occupiers of the town and as such, poor refurbishments and conversions are common place. Start up initiatives for Burton for burton residents with viable intersting ideas should be given preference to diversify life and shopping in the high street.	10/10/2020 11:33 AM
21	Any High Street development should be on a self supporting commercial basis.	10/10/2020 11:20 AM
22	What sort of redevelopments? we should be asked our opinions	10/10/2020 12:01 AM

23	I do not feel that there is anyone within our council that would make better use of the buildings in High Street, better to open High Street and renew the centre of town and further prevent back logs of traffic. Any building on the Washlands would indeed require more roads to use. High Street at the moment is a complete waste because of it closing, which was a mistake.	10/9/2020 8:30 PM
24	Really needs a strong business analysis to determine what is REALLY required. At one point not too long ago, we had out of town shoppers coming into Burton in preference to Derby.	10/9/2020 8:00 PM
25	The vision should be to provide support for redevelopment and not acquisition.	10/9/2020 5:58 PM
26	Depends on the individual project - many are owned and should never have been allowed to get into a state in the first place.	10/9/2020 3:05 PM
27	Town is starting to look empty with businesses leaving because of poor Footfall into the town, life and fresh ideas to improve the buildings and bring life and people back to the town, this was a big issue before the Covid Pandemic started and has been made worse since.	10/9/2020 2:49 PM
28	In order to maintain a vibrant and attractive town center it is important that buildings are maintained and made available for uses beyond just retail (which leads to boarded up shops and excessive number of charity shops). Pop up shops, cafes, and startup businesses could make good and unusual use of these	10/9/2020 2:34 PM
29	This plan is doomed to fail. Any plan for the High Street needs to show more ambition than just "staging and intervention" on failing building and crashed rental contracts. You need a vision for the high street before you start splashing cash to rescue the landlords.	10/9/2020 1:54 PM
30	In theory. Usage needs to be elaborated upon	10/9/2020 1:53 PM
31	Is it the councils job to be property developers?	10/9/2020 1:15 PM
32	As long as these are integrated into transparent public ownership. Not yet another privatisation.	10/9/2020 1:11 PM
33	What use would the shops be put?	10/9/2020 12:57 PM
34	This is urgent, along with all the other empty buildings on Station Street - conver to housing, green up centre.	10/9/2020 12:44 PM
35	I agree that the shops need to be updated and maintained. The issue is that the rental for these are too high and so small businesses can not afford them. It's better to have ALL buildings full of shops on a lower rate than empty shops not paying anything at all !!	10/9/2020 11:32 AM
36	You'll give the money to the already rich again	10/9/2020 11:13 AM
37	Again, not enough information to make an informed decision. If this is coupled with other funding that would allow the council to market these re-developed premises to small business/independent start-ups with low rent/rates and other incentives then we could regenerate that area of town. You just aren't telling us properly what you are planning.	10/9/2020 11:11 AM
38	I think any development of the high street is welcome as I believe you need a vibrant high street to ensure the sustainability of the town. I am unsure whether ad-hoc acquisitions achieve this.	10/8/2020 10:12 PM
39	Depends on what type of redevelopment	10/8/2020 7:07 PM
40	A pity this is a priority and not realised until after deciding to spend +£1m chasing a pipe dream of bringing internet shoppers back to the town centre. The current spend should have been used to provide access to building to help conversion to dwelling space.	10/8/2020 6:04 PM
41	The high street as a concept is dead. You need to be asking business to consolidate around the three centres.	10/8/2020 5:39 PM
42	Not enough detail to give more than an educated guess !	10/8/2020 3:28 PM
43	We must improve the town centre, renovate old buildings and get them occupied with nice shops, restaurants and bars to encourage more footfall in the town centre	10/8/2020 1:50 PM
44	Definetly can you start with the old Burton Mail office? The hreen gates, formerly Bargates?	10/8/2020 1:22 PM
45	I feel that the Bargates redevelopment should be leisure based with full use made of the river. This could b?e incorporated into any such scheme. How about the "cherry orchard" area too. A hidden gem.	10/8/2020 12:58 PM

46	High street needs support especially Bargates end which has been neglected.	10/8/2020 12:25 PM
47	we need to make more of river frontage & not turn our backs on it	10/8/2020 11:01 AM
48	The Town should not lose a demonstrable part of its history.	10/8/2020 10:01 AM
49	Not sure what is fully meant by this plan but to utilise empty buildings with housing and to bring footfall into the centre seems	10/8/2020 9:40 AM
50	support this alot	10/8/2020 9:17 AM
51	Take the modern shop fronts away.	10/8/2020 9:15 AM
52	I'd like to know ideas of what theyd b used for before making a decision	10/8/2020 7:22 AM
53	This would depend. No more housing, more upmarket hospitality. Utilise the riverside location.	10/8/2020 6:38 AM
54	Would like to see these buildings be used for local businesses, and more support for small local businesses	10/7/2020 11:31 PM
55	I would be in favour of relocating shops in the shopping centres to High Street and Station Street and developing the shopping centres into residential or leisure sites.	10/7/2020 10:52 PM
56	Could be very expensive for little return so needs careful thought	10/7/2020 8:13 PM
57	encourage town centre living - quality apartments over looking the river	10/7/2020 5:10 PM
58	Need to be consider overall retail demand for town centre. Investment may just lead to relocating businesses leading to other areas going downhill.	10/7/2020 5:09 PM
59	High Streets need to offer something day and night for all ages. This does not necessarily mean retail but more leisure and social venues.	10/7/2020 4:53 PM
60	The town is the hub and improving it would be beneficial to all	10/7/2020 4:26 PM
61	Only support if, after redevelopment, they will definitely be utilised	10/7/2020 4:08 PM
62	In theory I support this proposal, far more detail is required to give some indication of the extent of the plan.	10/7/2020 2:34 PM
63	Support but would like more information about work to the rest of the Town Centre	10/7/2020 6:51 AM
64	I would like to see more 'bistro' type bars and restaurants being encouraged to locate on Burton High Street.	10/6/2020 12:08 PM
65	Bringing people back into town to live is critical for Burton's survival as a town.	10/6/2020 11:28 AM
66	This needs doing urgently. It should not be used to bailout landlords who fail to maintain there properties.	10/6/2020 11:06 AM
67	Must make better use if that area and particularly the river.	10/6/2020 9:46 AM
68	Support, however I strongly wish to retail the present grassed open space between the river and High Street where Bargates used to stand. I would not support new building on this area.	10/6/2020 8:42 AM
69	It would be key to ensure that these buildings are kept in use and attractive for the public to visit in times of declining high streets rather than just becoming charity shops	10/6/2020 8:17 AM
70	In general I support the improvement of the High Street properties, however the proposal is incredibly vague and does not provide any detail.	10/5/2020 10:11 PM
71	One would hope that if successful it would look better than the mess created in station street	10/5/2020 8:51 PM
72	Private development would fund this if it's viable long term investment	10/5/2020 8:50 PM
73	No old building to be demolished, let's keep what we have.	10/5/2020 8:50 PM
74	this is not a viable option unfortunately with the changing behaviours of people through COVID which i believe will reduce town footfall for a number of years	10/5/2020 8:37 PM
75	We need to save as much of out heritage ad we can we are a brewing town with real history.	10/5/2020 8:24 PM
76	I need more details to understand what this really means?	10/5/2020 8:02 PM
77	Acquire them by all means, however the majority of the buildings are in a conservation area and should therefore be preserved, I would be mortified to see any demolished and replaced	10/5/2020 6:34 PM

with new buildings.

78	What building up shops community centres in inner Burton wards	10/5/2020 6:07 PM
79	The town centre generation is key to Burtons survival	10/5/2020 3:17 PM
80	It depends how and what. There's some incredible architecture around Burton but it seems to lack big vision in how this could be used as a tourism draw	10/5/2020 2:58 PM
81	the property will secure its own future as it has ever done through the market place. Change of use will provide avenues of alternative investment in these buildings, local authority acquisition distorts the market and may indirectly inhibit the natural evolution of the high street	10/5/2020 2:51 PM
82	Another bargates plan where it goes nowhere	10/5/2020 1:09 PM
83	This approach has been shown to have great place-making impacts for residents and visitors alike.	10/5/2020 12:59 PM
84	High streets need support to re-generate, otherwise and essential part of the town dies.	10/5/2020 11:07 AM
85	Convert upper storeys of shops not used as part of retail business by filling financial viability gap.	10/5/2020 11:05 AM
86	Nice idea but would depend on what the buildings are to be used for.	10/5/2020 7:06 AM
87	For what? The high street is dying...why bother?	10/4/2020 11:57 PM
88	This sounds to be a very vague proposal and might even be a further smokescreen to cover the town fund monies being used to be used by the borough and county council redeveloping the former registry office and trading standards offices on High st which they recently vacated. If those buildings are the ones intended to benefit from the Town fund money then i would object on the basis that it would be an abuse of the guidance on how these monies should be used. A much better way of ensuring buildings along High street are redeveloped and kept in use is to ensure that the town remains a vibrant and exciting place and that footfall along High street is increased. The town fund guidance makes it abundantly clear that the fund should be used to deliver long term regeneration and economic growth. What do the council intend to do other than take on legal ownership and responsibility for certain as yet unknown buildings on High street? A better way of helping buildings on High street, particularly on the section northwards fro Worthington way to Bargates would be to open up several access points for pedestrians and cyclists from both the riverfront and , more importantly from the Middleway retail and leisure park behind the western side of High street. There is room to open up a route next to Matalan and Mecca bingo onto High Street next to the former Burton Mail offices opposite Molson Coors HQ offices. This would allow local people easier access from the 650 car parking spaces into the Bargates area and also the riverfront and Meadowside. Due to historic uses of the land behind High street there were very few vehicular or pedestrian routes and this can now be addressed to improve on foot navigation around the town centre and to link diverse sites and facilities within the town. Improving accessibility is a much more certain way of ensuring buildings and businesses along High street are kept in use and properly maintained than by letting the council buy them. The private sector developers can be encouraged to redevelop buildings and keep them in current or other uses , especially if town fund monies are used to improve the public realm and to improve accessibility, footfall and economic attractiveness of the area. I do not support the vague idea of the council purchase of High street buildings	10/4/2020 9:40 PM
89	The scheme should strongly consider the upgrading of Andressey Passage. As possibly Burton's oldest right of way it could provide a key tourism attraction as a "St. Modwens pilgrimage trail" to open up the riverside part of the town centre, with opportunities for tourist attractions and retail/catering outlets.	10/4/2020 7:28 PM
90	Re-integration of the river and washlands into the town centre is vital.	10/4/2020 3:05 PM
91	In what way does this support business business to survive? How does this support housing shortages. Will these buildings be used for residential purposes to stop building On Our green areas? Will this allow businesses to thrive, or will they be shut down when they struggle to pay the rent? Again- a lack of detail about how this will be implemented.	10/4/2020 1:23 PM
92	There is SO little information on this that it's impossible to make an informed decision.This could mean anything. Will you pick up on the previous Cushman/Wakefield strategy document idea ofcompulsorily purchasing the Nationwide Building Society to open up Andressey Passage? This could be a great opportunity to 'turn around' part of the High Street to face the river. (What is happening to Bargates, by the way?) It would be good to know at this time to see how these ideas could dovetail. Please don't pin your hopes on cafes, bars and restaurants as the answer to everything. The world has changed and we need	10/4/2020 12:33 PM

imaginative thinking to bring attractions, facilities, homes and some retail and hospitality to  
our sad town centre

93	With a plan or will end up like the market!!!	10/4/2020 10:19 AM
94	As long as it provides cheaper rent for local busknesss	10/4/2020 10:10 AM
95	Subject to facilities being made open to community organisations	10/3/2020 12:44 PM
96	as long as whatever they are used for brings in money. housing?	10/2/2020 2:24 PM