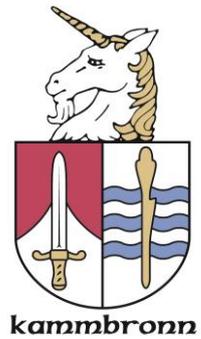


# CAMBORNE TOWN COUNCIL

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### Consultation on services

You may have heard that Cornwall Council will be making cuts to services totalling £196M over the next five years. Cornwall Council delivers most services in the Camborne parish because it owns practically all the assets; it is highly likely that the Town Council will be asked to take responsibility for many of these services. We will not be given any money for running a new service because of the savings that Cornwall Council has to make.

In December the Town Council asked residents which services were most important to them to help Councillors make some of the difficult decisions that are ahead. A survey was delivered to as many households in the parish as possible and made available on the website. We would like to thank everyone who took the time to respond and let you know the results.

The top five services currently provided by Cornwall Council were shown to be:

- Public conveniences
- Environmental enforcement (litter, dog fouling)
- Car parking/ car parks and Library Services (equal scores)
- Parks and children's play areas.

Open Spaces & Footpaths, Recreation Grounds & Sports Facilities and Youth Support Services also scored well by question.

The top five services provided by the Town Council were:

- CCTV
- Street furniture
- Footpath cutting
- Grant aid for community groups
- Bus shelters

Grass verge cutting also scored highly in importance by question.

Most of the people who replied to the survey were over the age of 45 with over 50% being older than 50. Although the number of younger respondents was not enough to be technically judged as representative, preferences were different from those of the older age groups. Public conveniences were not at all important to the youngest respondents but increased in importance as people grew older; Open spaces, parks and play areas, youth support services were of greater importance to younger respondents than older ones; Environmental enforcement and car parking/car parks received consistent support from all age groups.

The Council has already used the consultation results to decide on the budget for 2015/2016 and will be using the information when it starts negotiations with Cornwall Council. Watch this space!