

WICKEN STREET LIGHTING ANALYSIS

4th March 2021

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CONSULTATION

As part of their light replacement programme, Wicken Parish Council in Northamptonshire, consulted with their local electorate on the type of light fitting that should be installed at nine standalone locations in Wicken.

Consultation Forms were delivered to electors, at the addresses shown on the Electoral Roll. Electors were also allowed to send responses direct to the Parish Clerk, if they chose not to complete a Consultation Form.

The consultation started on 11th February 2021 and ended on 25th February 2021, and asked the electorate which of two alternative light fittings they preferred to see installed. Electors' comments will be reviewed by the parish council.

INDEPENDENT ANALYSIS

Wicken Parish Council asked me to complete an independent analysis of the responses received. The analysis was completed personally by me.

Completed Consultation Forms, which included responses from electors who chose not to complete a Consultation Form and sent their responses direct to the Parish Clerk, were forwarded to me.

I carried out an analysis of the responses, showing the votes for each type of light fitting and the comments made by electors.

CONFIDENTIALITY

The consultation stated that the response analysis would be published and that individual replies would remain confidential. My analysis submitted to the parish council does not contain personal information.

All electors' responses will remain in my personal possession. After I am notified by Wicken Parish Council that this analysis has been published, accepted and minuted by the parish council, then I will securely destroy all responses in my possession.

The Consultation Forms will not be returned to the parish council. The personal data contained in the consultation forms is exempt from release under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, by virtue of section 41.

RESULTS

270 Consultation Forms were delivered to electors.

136 responses were received.

The response rate represents 50% of the electorate.

86 (62%) preferred the WINDSOR light.

51 (38%) preferred the TEKK CONTEMPORARY light.

1 response voted for neither type of light fitting.

2 responses voted for both types of light fitting.

2 responses were completed and signed by a husband and wife. These have been treated as 4 separate responses.

1 duplicate response was found and removed.

The WINDSOR light received the higher number of votes, compared to the TEKK CONTEMPORARY, by a ratio of approximately 1.7 to 1.

173 comments were made and recorded.

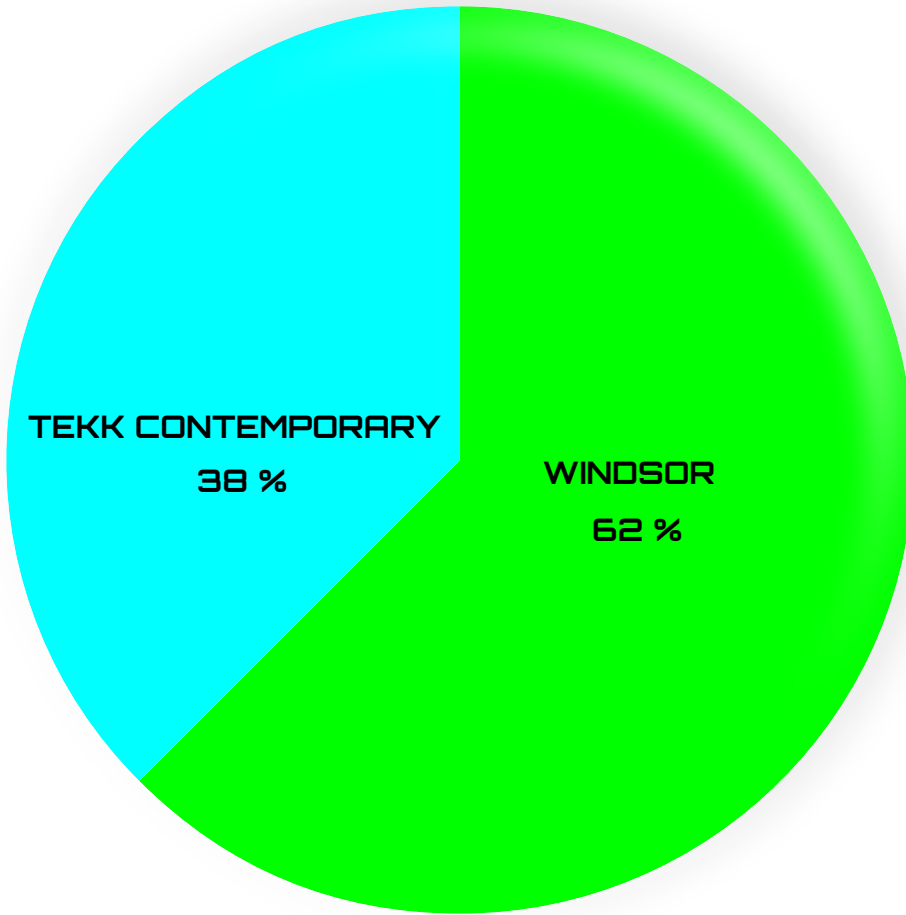
COMMENTS

The separate appendix to this report, contains the comments, listed in a random order. The number shown against each comment (ranging from A001 to A173) is included solely to aid reference; it does not link to any individual original elector's response. Comments from members of the same household, or from the same individual, may not be listed contiguously.

The comments were transposed as accurately as possible from the elector's original responses. No changes for grammatical or spelling errors were made.

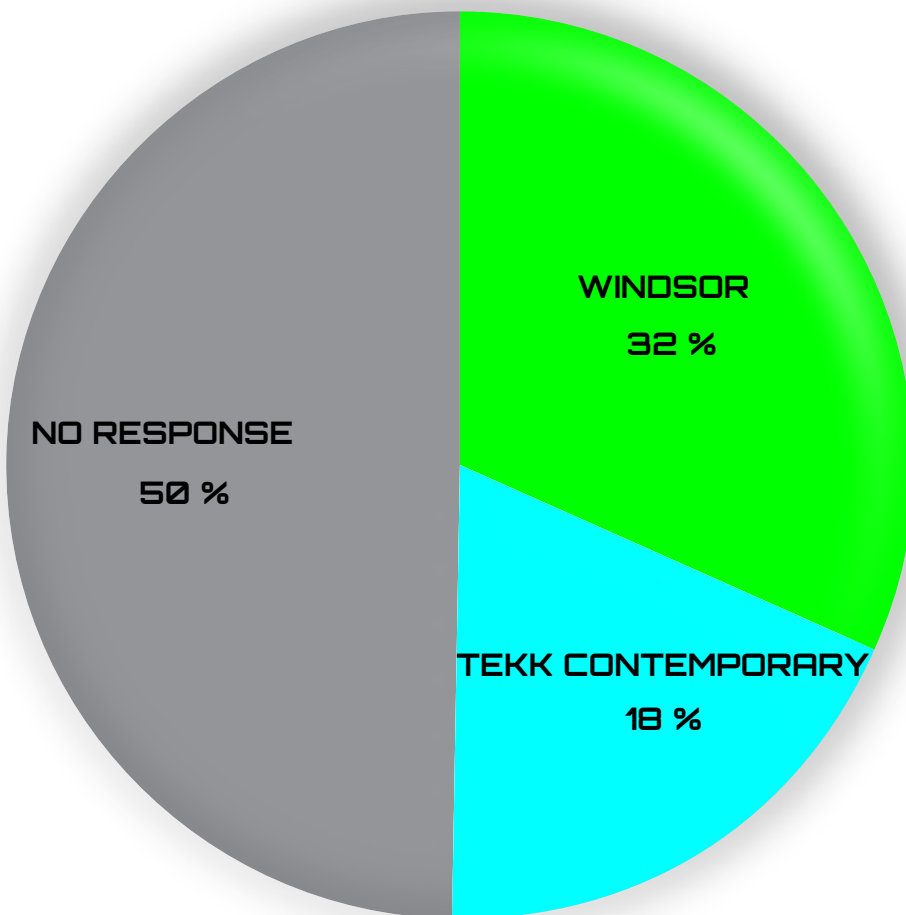
Square brackets were used to identify where I had inserted text. [UNKNOWN] indicates that I was unable to decipher a word or part of the original comment. In a few occasions, I have clarified a comment by the inclusion of [WINDSOR] or [TEKK], to show that it referred to that particular light fitting.





Graph 1:

Comparison of votes between Windsor and Tekk Contemporary light fittings.



Graph 2:

Comparison of votes between Windsor and Tekk Contemporary light fittings, against total electorate.