

Executive Summary & Key Findings

Snape Parish Council carried out a Housing Survey to determine the level of need for housing across all tenure types in the parish.

The aim of this survey was to understand the existing and future housing needs for Snape residents including family members (not necessarily living in Snape) and other members of the household. The study was also designed to understand Snape current housing stock and whether this is affordable to local people.

This study included-

- General information about the current housing in Snape including 2011 Census data
- A Housing Survey to determine the housing needs of current households
- Contextual information about Snape
- Information from the Gateway to HomeChoice register to cross check the findings

Data analysis and the writing of this report have been undertaken by Community Action Suffolk.

Key Findings

	Number	%
Surveys Returned Completed (full or partial)	98	24.81
Surveys Not Completed or Returned or Blank	297	75.19
Total Surveys Distributed	395	100

The Snape Housing Survey 2019 achieved a 24.81% return rate, with respondents in favour of homes for older people, small family homes and homes for couples.

From the 98 surveys returned, 10 households responded that the current households have identified a current need totalling 13 people.

From the 98 surveys returned, 5 of those households responded identifying a need for 10 family members (people with a local connection) wishing to live in or return to Snape.

In total, the response from 15 households identified a housing need for 23 people in Snape. This report has been compiled based solely on the data from the responses received. These figures may change throughout the report depending on the number of questions completed.

1. Survey Method

The Housing Survey used was compiled by Community Action Suffolk in agreement with Snape Parish Council. The survey was distributed to each of the 395 households within the parish boundary by a local team of volunteers from Snape. The survey contained 45 questions and can be found in Appendix A. The closing date for the survey was 14th October 2019.

One survey form was provided per household with a unique code to allow the household to complete on-line or send a completed hard copy back. The unique code was to ensure that residents were only able to respond once to prevent the results being skewed. Households that had more than one housing need i.e. two or more people requiring housing going forward in different households could request additional forms from Community Action Suffolk.

A return rate of 24.81% was achieved which indicated a need for additional housing by 15 households (23 people). The average return rate for HNS is generally between 30 - 40% which indicates that the number of responses received provide a robust sample snapshot of the parish.

98 completed surveys were returned fully or partially completed via post and on-line. 297 surveys were not returned. Data entry of the surveys was undertaken by Community Action Suffolk using bespoke in house software. Each survey form input was allocated a unique code so that the data could be cross referenced to provide a comprehensive level of information. Individual people or households were not able to be identified. For quality purposes a 10% sample of the surveys input were checked for accuracy.