Short Term Rentals in the Town of Essex

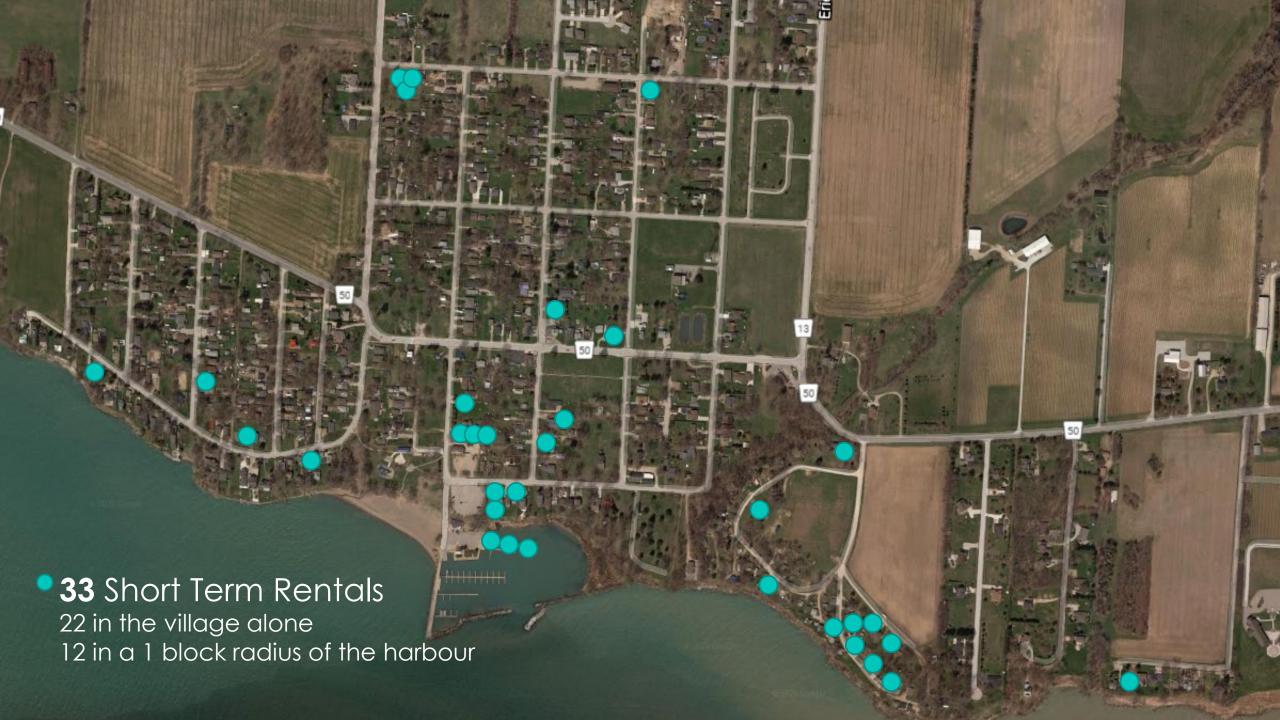
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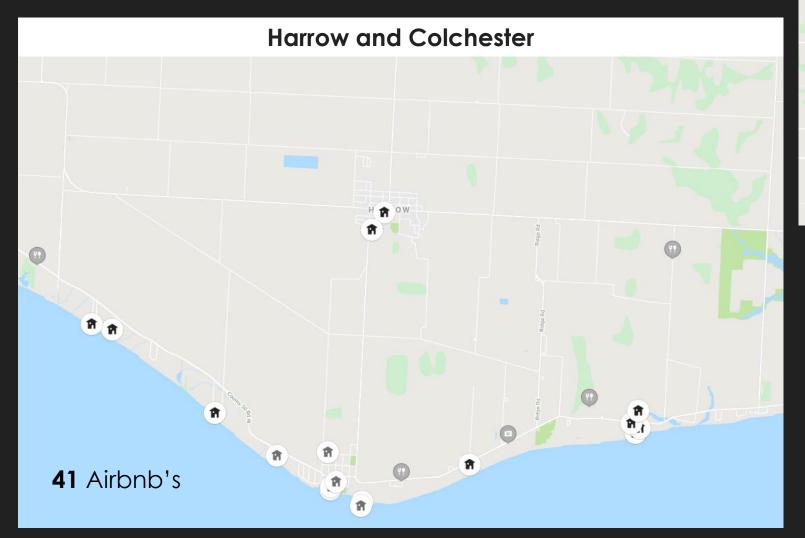
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Negative impacts

- Parties and obnoxious behaviour in quiet residential neighbourhood
- Excessive noise complaints
- Fireworks and damage to property
- Trespassing
- Takes away from housing for permanent residents
- Increased police presence needed
- Decreased property values

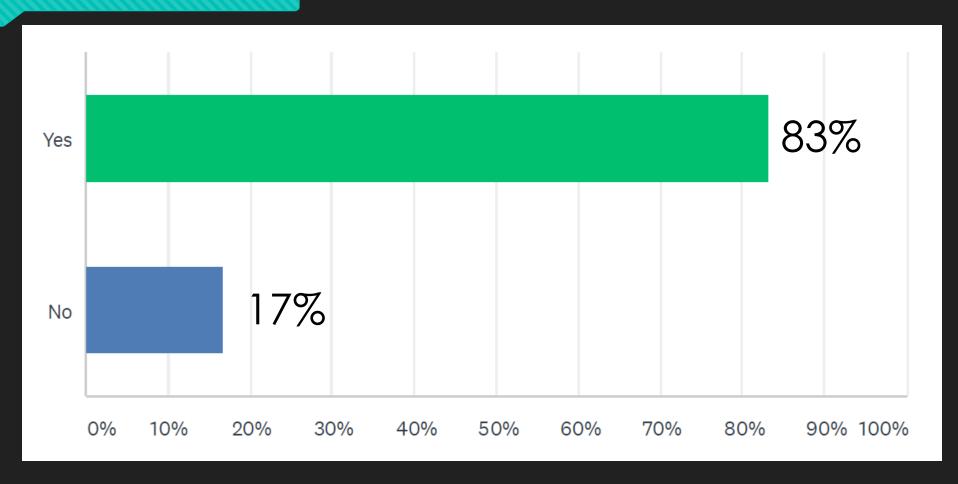




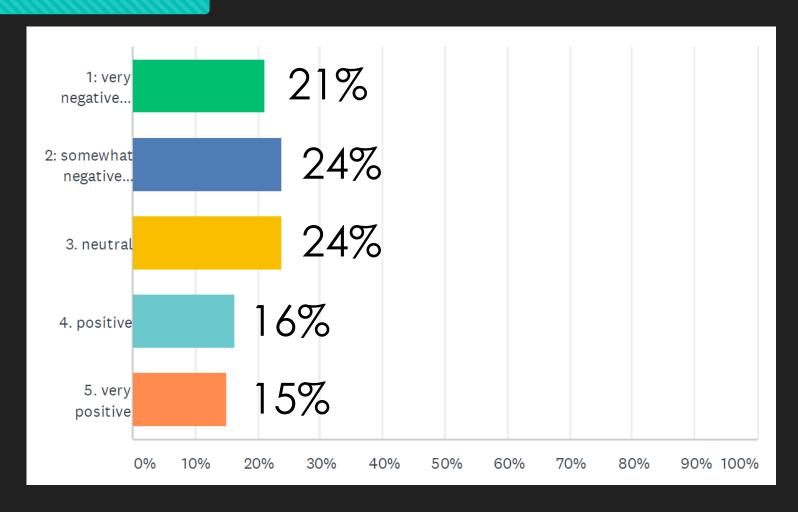




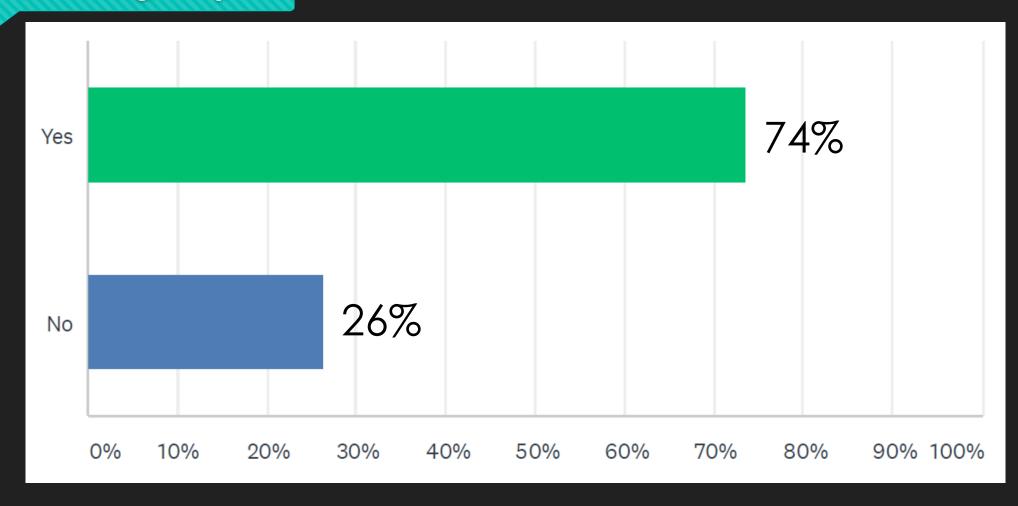
Q1: Are you aware of a short term rental property (eg Airbnb) in your neighbor or area?



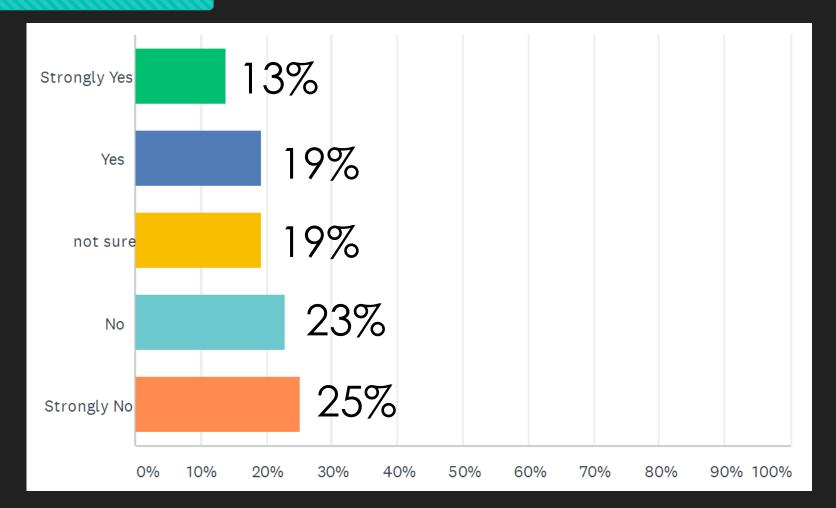
Q2: If yes, please describe your impression of having a short term rental in your area.



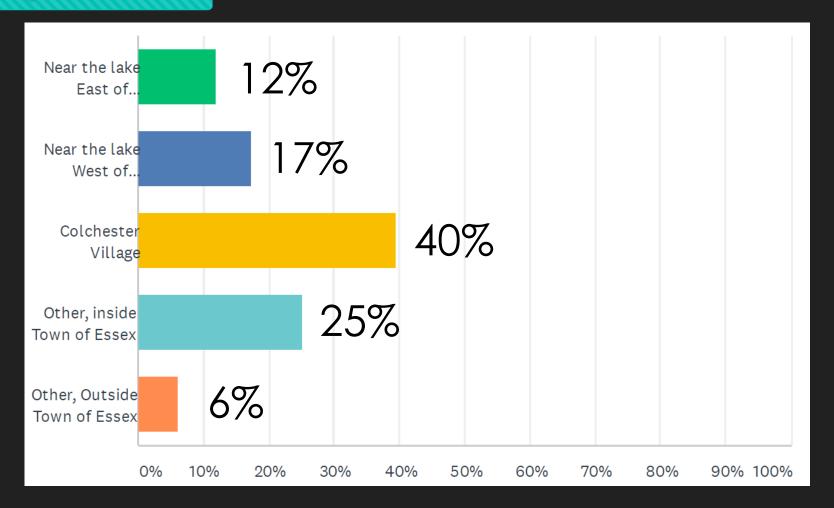
Q3: Do you believe that Essex Council should consider regulating short term rental properties (with bylaws, licensing, etc.)?



Q4: Would you support more short term rental in your area?



Q5: Please indicate the region where you live.



Petition

121 people signed 32 comments

Short Term Rentals In Essex Must be Regulated

121 people have signed this petition. Add your name now!



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32 Comments









Quality of life is important to the residents of Essex. In recent years, the town of Essex has become known as a popular place for tourism visitation. This demand created by tourists has led to a proliferation of Short Term Rental offerings in the town, specifically in the South near Colchester. With these unregulated lodgings has come a number of issues impacting the quality of life for nearby residents, with no recourse

currently available for them to address these issues

Other communities with similar demand for tourist visitation have recognized the need for regulation of these types of rentals and have moved to enact same. These include Niagara On the Lake, Collingwood and Toronto.

The signers of this petition believe that council MUST ACT WITHOUT DELAY to regulate Short Term Rental accommodation...

The residents have spoken

We need bylaws to regulate STRs.

Hold off on future development until they are in place.

Municipal Marinas that Do Not Allow STRs

Leamington
Belle River
Pelee Island

- Private use only
- Liability
- They do not want the problems that follow STR
- Wouldn't consider allowing them without regulations in place

In closing...

You are our voice, your residents want you to:

- Form an ad-hoc committee for STRs.
- Regulate STRs in the Town of Essex and have them in place before considering the development of the Old Schoolhouse.