

## Employment and Enterprise Survey and Policies

Whilst Boxgrove Parish is essentially rural in character, it does have many businesses established in the area.

A survey has been undertaken of 29 businesses, all operating in business premises or, in the case of agriculture, on the land and, in the case of Bed and Breakfast operations, in residential premises.

The business premises are located in 3 main clusters, dominated by the Temple Bar Business Park in Strettington but also including Warehead Farm buildings on Stane Street, Halnaker and purpose built buildings in Thicket Lane, Halnaker.

We have not taken into account the numerous businesses run from private homes but operated elsewhere as it is considered that this would distort the figures for established businesses in established business premises. These figures are for indication only as they would be exaggerated by one large employee.

Of the 29 businesses surveyed in the Parish, the following statistics have been established:-

### 1. By Predominant Use:-

Offices	27.6%
Light Industrial	13.8%
Hospitality	13.8%
Car Workshops	10.4%
General Industry	6.9%
Trade Warehouse	6.9%
Equestrian	6.9%
Retail	3.4%

R & D	3.4%
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**2. By Area of Buildings in Business Space Use:-**  
excludes Hospitality, Farming and Equestrian Use

Light Industrial	32.9%
Offices	24.3%
Car Workshops	23.1%
Trade Warehouses	10.6%
General Industrial	3.5%
Retail	3.5%
R & D	2.1%

**3. By Travel to work distance, excl Hospitality and live-in:-**

0-2 miles	13.5%
3-5 miles	17.1%
6-10 miles	24.8%
11 miles and over	47.2%.

**4. By Method of Travel, excluding Hospitality and Live-in: -**

Cycle	5.6%
Train / Bus	2.2%
Car	90.9%
Motorbike	2.2%

**5. By Proportion of Business Sales to:-**

Chichester District	40.9%
London, South, South East	36.4%
Otherwise National	18.2%
Global.	4.5%

## 6. By Proportion supplies from:-

Chichester District	40.6%,
London, South, South East	32.6%,
Otherwise National	17.3%
Global	9.5%

Business in the Parish is varied, small scale in terms of premises but certainly not in terms of scale and significance.

### **Policies for Business in the Parish.**

1. Ensure that freestanding Business Estates or Clusters are retained in Business Use unless inappropriate to neighbouring residential uses
2. Promote the development of further multi-use business space ( mix of light industrial through to Office space ) with a view to providing further and wider employment opportunities to Parish residents, in particular the young.
3. Ensure that new Business Space is developed away from the residential areas to avoid conflict with Goods vehicles. Preference to be with easy access to A27 or A286.
4. Suggested sites are:- Extension of Temple Bar Business Park, adjacent to A286, Land west of Winterton Arms, Crockerhill, adjacent to A27

5. Give support to farmers and encourage diversity in agriculture to ensure the preservation of food production.

### **General Policy.**

Whilst there are some parts of the Parish with reasonable mobile communications and access to fast `broadband, it was an overwhelming cry from businesses surveyed that the current offer is very far from satisfactory. Several were considering it as bad as to warrant consideration of relocating.

Bearing in mind that many residents use their home computers and mobile phones for business purposes this is a vital requirement for every one.