

AVON RAIL LINK SURVEY RESULTS

11,062 questionnaires were delivered to homes throughout Stratford-on-Avon town during October with the free *Observer* newspaper. Of these 470 responses were returned, 213 being hand-delivered and 257 supplied on-line. Stratford District Council who verified the results advise that this is a satisfactory (statistically significant) rate.

The answers given to the three questions were as follows:

	Yes	No
Q1. I would expect to use services on this line if reopened.	301 (68%)	140 (32%)
Q2. I may not use the railway, but I support reopening it because I can see the broad benefits to the district and the economy.	266 (70%)	112 (30%)
Q3. I have concerns about this and see more problems than benefits.	110 (30%)	246 (70%)

The declared 70% support from respondents represents a strong endorsement in principle for reinstatement of the 6 mile Stratford - Long Marston rail link and encourages endeavours to secure a professional business case study.