

## Nimbin Survey for Young People RAW DATA RESULTS

This survey is for young people (aged between 15 and 25 years) living in the Nimbin area (ie around 30kims radius around the village). We want to hear from you so we can learn more about the kind of community Nimbin young people want to create.

### 1. Do you live within 30kms from the Nimbin Post Office?

Responses: 43 + 5 paper  
Yes: 40 90.91% +5  
No: 3 9.09%

### Total 45 valid

### 2. How old are you?

Responses: 43 +5  
12-15 30 (70.45%) +2  
16-19 7 (15.91%) +2  
20-25 6 (13.64%) +1

### 3. Are you Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?

Responses: 44

Yes: 4 9.09% +3  
No: 40 90.91% +2

### 4. What kind of community do you want to live in?

Peaceful

a safe and fun one

a nice one

a happy one

A positive environment where everyone is involved

a safe and respectful one

The Nimbin community

a safe and respectful one

One where we can find new things out. One that is safe and respectful. One that is alternative and Open minded

A community that is safe, one where you have things to do, we need some fun activities instead of teenagers who are underage drinking and smoking

a safe and fun community. e.g. better park, less drugs and more kids day activities

i don't know

I like Nimbin it's caring small and good

a fun place

a happy one

A positive environment where everyone is involved

A safe and respectful one

Nimbin community

a safe and respectful one

Nimbin

A safe and healthy community

A kind that I don't feel judged in, a kind that when someone finds out that I am apart of it they don't immediately turn to the assumption that I smoke weed and do drugs all the time. One that is safe from harmful people and people who have been badly affected by drugs, that set bad examples to the younger generations. I want to be known for the alternative and self dependent town that it started off to be. I want it to be a community that I can be proud of. A community that cares for its people and the environment.

A loving caring community that cares for each other! One that's in it for everyone and the future generations.

I don't know

I want to live in a community that's safe, where people are all supportive of each other.

I also would love my community to have more things to do for the youth.

An organised place with a clean environment.

lots of pugs, friendly people, gamers and accomplished people.

i want live in a nice chill community which is productive safe and supportive.

A safe community!!!

Nimbin.

A nice accepting community.

One with a house

A good one.

A safe community yet different to the country which nimbin has been for many decades with alternative ways of living and medication. Ice needs to be removed from the community it is damaging more and more people of all ages .

A supportive and fun community.

Fun and entertaining one.

A town with no ice.

A safe and supportive community.

A healthy, diverse and environmentally conscious one.

A respectful one.

A gangsta ass hood.

One without ice.

Peaceful and "community minded"

Calm happy and respected

A nice friendly one

A well built community

This one

A kind one

##### 5. Why is that important to you?

We can all live happily if there is peace.

I want to be safe and have fun

Because its nice

Everybody is happy

So that we can grow up in a community that tells us about the challenges that face the world and ways we can combat them.

I don't know

Because i want to live in a safe environment, where i can walk Around, and its important for younger families to let their children grow up safely.

Because i feel the young people in nimbi are exposed to drugs at too young of an age and kids around town have nothing overly fun to do because the pool is always dirty and the park is graphited and broken.

i don't know

it's good to live in a healthy community because it could affect you in a good way so we are close to the shop.

Because i think that it is important to have fun to distract people from drugs and to be respectful why doing it.

So your happy

I am part of the nimbin youth.

i don't know

Because my school is here and my friends and my dad.

So I can feel safe in Nimbin.

Because it is the closest town to us

Because I want kids like me to be safe

Because i think those reasons are important. I believe that they will help make this town and community a better place.

Because community is everything.

idk

cause idk

Because as a young person it is very nice to feel supported and safe and have more things for us young kids to do.

It's important to me cause i want everyone to feel safe everywhere and not walk outside and see people litter.

Because i like pugs i like games.

Because its nice to feel safe and its nice to be able to walk around knowing u won't get hurt.

So other people can feel comftable to be themselves.

So its good place to be.

Because it is important it remains the unique town it is which gives tourist a lovely place to visit and keeps all the businesses afloat and people employed.

Because I'd like to feel safe and supported.

Because young people get very very bored in small towns like Nimbin where there's hardly anything to do.

Because it scares me.

Because I want to feel like I can contribute to my community and feel safe and supported in my home town.

Our world is on the brink of disaster and if the government wont do anything, we can at least try in our local community.

Because it disrupts the community.

Just is.

So the community can thrive and excel.

Less problems.

I don't know

Have good relationships.

So it is a more helpful type of community an easy to live in.

6. How is that different from how you see things now?

Ice

It is not very fun in nimbin

Its more cars and not any screaming in the town of nimbin  
there lots of homeless people and nimbin needs a youth center  
Its not that different. People are quite open minded and aware of what is going on in  
the world, or at least some people in Nimbin that is. What they should do is pass that  
knowledge on to the younger, less aware generation that is growing up in Nimbin  
now.

idk

There are heaps of fights, drug use, and drinking in town which makes me feel always  
on edge i ant to be able to relax we need more things to do. like a roller skating rink or  
something, we need to be entertained.

In my vision kids will be having lots of fun and won't grow up being exposed to  
drugs.

i don't know

idk

Nimbin is a very boring town there's nothing to do other than take drugs.

In nimbi people don't really look very happy most of the time.

Right now nimbin is working towards it but not quite there.

Every one now are doing drugs.

I don't understand the question.

Nimbin is a relatively nice community, but some aspects are negative

Nothing

There is a lot of drug use and drunk people around I want the people to feel safe in  
nimbin.

Because now I see a lot of people who don't genuinely care about the people of this  
town. I also don't see many people who care about the environment enough to  
actively be trying to make a difference. I also see a lot of substance abuse and have  
seen the affects that it has caused. And it makes me feel uncomfortable and unsafe to  
be around some of these people.

Nimbin is divided at the moment and torn.

idk

nothing

Sometimes we don't feel very supported or understood.

I'll go for a walk for 20 minutes and see rubbish on the side of the road/foot path.

We don't see many pugs theres lots of drunks and only the school is accomplished.

i dont know

Well now that the laneway boys are gone its a bit more open and more hectic drugs  
have come in.

nothing

Theres just a lot of using labels and using things as insults like calling someone "gay"

Could be cleaner .

The police have targeted marijuana like it is a damaging drug but yet to seem to let ice  
dealers run around Doing as they please

Not very

There's hardly anything to do compared to the city

Its not

The town is so heavenly policed.

I think we are doing quite well but i think more emphasis could be put on healthy and  
environmental eating, why is there no vegetarian or vegan restaurant in nimbin?

Seems crazy..

Not enough gs around

Lots of ice and crime

Town is pretty grubby, a lot of sketchy people and selfishness.

I don't see much difference

Not that much different But there is always room to improve.

It's not that different.

?

N/A

7. What are some of the things that need to happen to create that kind of change?

Clean up ice, legalise pot, limit alcohol consumption

a shopping complex

more work

give the homeless homes and build a youth centre

We need to hold meetings and conferences at the school so that people with the knowledge and ideas can talk to children and teenagers alike and pass their knowledge of the world and the true challenges that face the new generation. Such as corruption in our government, climate change, or the dangers of A.I. These are some examples.

idfk

More fun actives after school and on weekends, less drugs, alcohol, fights

Surveys, community votes.

i don't know

the lismore council will need to get involved

the shop

less drugs more activities

cleaner community

Get rid of drugs

no more drugs

Idk question

Not Sure

nothing

Anything that we can do to change things to make the people of nimbin safe can happen.

People could show more respect, sympathy and kindness to one another. And I'm terms of the environment they could start using bins properly and recycling, as well as brining their own bags to the shops, or using the alternative options such as boxes paper/calico bags.

Community meetings one a fortnight or month and a centre that youth can go to an feel safe whilst knowing they are in a friendly environment

idk

get all the junkies out of town

dont know

The young kids need to get together and create a program where we are able to get involved with the community and have the resources that give us the chance to do things we are interested in out of school.

People not just litter when going somewhere or throwing a bottle of soft drink out the window while driving, just cause they don't want to/to lazy to go to the bin and put in there.

not so much drunks roads being taken care of

there needs to be more support

Im not to sure maybe get rid of the crazy things around town.

don't want no change

we could have like a youth group own town where you can learn about more stuff  
 nothing  
 more recycling  
 dont know  
 More infrastructure and options for health for young people and community policing rather than harrassment. They need to accept we are different to the majority of the country.  
 Think drawing the community together  
 Need new facilities for activities  
 Get rid of the ice heads and junkies  
 No tolerance to heavy drugs like ice  
 Vegan restaurants/cafe, regeneration of the creek running through town but these things would probably start from education.  
 Harsher penalties for ice dealers and more help for ice users.  
 Unsure.

Not sure  
 More inclusinve community events  
 People be as friendly as possible.  
 N/A  
 No answer (blank)

8. What types of local activities and opportunities would you like to see in Nimbin for young people? the options below provide a summary of the types of activities/opportunities that have been suggested to us so far. Please tick one or more that you may be interested in.

Answer Choices –	Responses
–	23.26%
Graff workshops	10
–	46.51%
Skate workshops/events	20
–	51.16%
Music workshops/events	22
–	48.84%
Other art/craft/creation workshops, in particular using recycled materials	21
–	44.19%
Tools, building and sustainability workshops/activities at 7 Sibley St	19
–	53.49%
Sport and recreation workshops/events	23
–	44.19%
A dedicated young peoples' local radio show	19
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Targeted young peoples' information sessions/workshops, covering issues such as: obtaining and maintaining a tenancy; budgeting; health and social and emotional well being	20
Total Respondents:	43

Skate workshops.events: +3  
Music workshops.events: +3  
Other crat etc workshops /using recycled materials: +3  
Tools and building workshops etc at Sibley st: +3  
Sport and rec +3  
Local radio show: +1  
Tragted info sessions: +3

Comments:

minecraft workshop

musicals

youth centre

Talks about the possible future of the world. Talks about what is currently happening in our government and in a broader sense our world, and what we can do to make a better future for ourselves and the world.

SKATING RINK BOWLING ALLY

Coding workshop and a Minecraft workshop

Video game center

coding/gaming competitions

Youth club

Generally more youth services and events!

A hang out place where young people can hang out in privacy

9. Are you interested in becoming part of an action group to explore ways that young people in Nimbin can work together to create the community you would like to see?

Yes: 19

No: 24 +5