

### Q3 What was the main reason for establishing your business in Totnes, or if your business moved to Totnes from somewhere else, for what reason did it come to Totnes?

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#	Responses	Date
1	Vibrant market town with strong catchment area	11/13/2015 4:56 PM
2	I live here and it has grown over 20 years from market stall to shop to larger shop	11/12/2015 8:36 AM
3	The high volume of visitors from surrounding areas and tourists from UK and EU	11/12/2015 12:05 AM
4	Enjoy the area. Bought existing business	11/11/2015 10:33 PM
5	love the town. When I moved here it also had a vibrant local art college	11/11/2015 9:25 PM
6	We live in the area and wanted to work in the area.	11/11/2015 11:08 AM
7	we live in the town, our children are schooled here and we wanted to bring a quality business to the town	11/10/2015 2:58 PM
8	I live in Totnes and moved here for the culture Totnes promotes, along with it being a great place to bring up a family	11/10/2015 1:23 PM
9	More convenient location than before (Dartmouth), and the opportunity to own rather than lease our site.	11/10/2015 12:01 PM
10	savvy consumers with good income and no other top quality bakery	11/10/2015 11:55 AM
11	always been here	11/10/2015 7:16 AM
12	Open-minded and willing people.	11/9/2015 4:58 PM
13	We have been here as a business since the 1980s. The business was established by the former owner as a result of a passion for the product and feeling there was a gap in the market in Totnes.	11/9/2015 2:57 PM
14	The owners were local	11/9/2015 1:44 PM
15	I live near Totnes and wanted to work for local companies	11/9/2015 9:48 AM
16	I live here and it is a friendly reasonably town with a large surrounding catchment area	11/8/2015 5:27 PM
17	It is where I live.	11/8/2015 5:23 PM
18	It was our home town and we discerned an appetite for the sort of alternative products (recycled and handmade papers) we planned to offer.	11/8/2015 12:56 PM
19	Due to all year round footfall	11/8/2015 11:30 AM
20	I live here.	11/8/2015 8:17 AM
21	Town had a good feeling about it, even all those years ago.	11/7/2015 8:41 PM
22	Live here	11/7/2015 4:07 PM
23	A thriving Market Town.	11/7/2015 1:45 PM
24	Moved from London because family was in Totnes but also because it's a beautiful place to live in.	11/6/2015 4:32 PM
25	Hard to think of a nicer town anywhere in Devon (or England, for that matter). Money isn't everything - people, atmosphere and surroundings are very important.	11/6/2015 12:00 PM
26	We relocated our business to Totnes for quality of life reasons and for access to local schools.	11/5/2015 11:21 AM
27	It was established business that I thought I could enhance further. It was an opportunity that came my way	11/4/2015 8:59 PM
28	Relation to ecological thinkers at Dartington and Schumacher College and in the town	11/4/2015 7:23 PM
29	A better Unit to operate our business from	11/4/2015 12:02 PM
30	An interesting and at that time busy market town	11/4/2015 11:59 AM

31	convenience	11/4/2015 11:57 AM
32	Our target demographic live or work in Totnes or the surrounding area, and we are based there also for non business reasons	11/3/2015 11:21 PM
33	Its been here over 150 years.	11/3/2015 4:04 PM
34	There is a wealth of local suppliers and producers here and a strong local economy as well as being a small enough community to build a reputation in but not so small as to have an unsustainable client base.	11/3/2015 11:57 AM
35	Because our reserch to date is based on this area and if we can make a success of our business it will be in a town like Totnes, where issues around local food are comparatively well understood, where there is a relatively high level of connection with where food comes from and where retailers and farmers are supportive and creative in their outlook (some!)	11/2/2015 2:57 PM
36	We opened an additional office in Totnes to service existing clients and expand business in this area.	11/2/2015 12:01 PM
37	Pleasant location	11/2/2015 12:01 PM
38	Founder of the business chose the site 50+ years ago (reason not known as deceased)	11/2/2015 10:21 AM
39	Was an established business in Totnes already.	10/31/2015 11:07 PM
40	Footfall	10/31/2015 8:07 PM
41	see point 1. right fit for my business.	10/31/2015 5:07 PM
42	Unique town	10/31/2015 4:52 PM
43	we purchased the business in a thriving town 26 years ago	10/31/2015 11:07 AM
44	It is best suited for my products	10/30/2015 4:33 PM
45	Many independent retailers.	10/30/2015 2:22 PM
46	Totnes is a unique shoppers town with no other like it in close proximity. It's appeal is it's uniqueness.	10/30/2015 1:26 PM
47	I grew up here. It use to have a a lot of established strong Independent shops so the town was full of character. Parking difficult for customers and staff.	10/30/2015 1:20 PM
48	For two of the three Driectors, Totnes was already home and the third has since moved here. We saw a gap in the market for design and make and felt that the scale of Totnes would allow us to be seen and heard - as opposed to competing in a large city like London.	10/30/2015 11:14 AM
49	Because of its unique High Street	10/29/2015 2:03 PM
50	Family move was first consideration	10/29/2015 1:06 PM
51	Moved here for family reasons	10/28/2015 3:30 PM
52	I was moving back here to start a family - I grew up here and my parents still live here.	10/28/2015 2:29 PM
53	We bought an existing business in Totnes but Totnes is my home town and the natural beauty of the area was a big pull for me to come home.	10/28/2015 1:27 PM
54	Central to our area of operation, convenient for our directors	10/28/2015 1:08 PM
55	Because of Transition Town Totnes	10/28/2015 1:02 PM
56	The owners set up this business 25 years again in Totnes due to the atmosphere of the town.	10/27/2015 6:22 PM
57	I started my business from scratch and believe Totnes would be an ideal place for an independent shop to thrive due to the different shops offering services that are not always available in a larger town.	10/27/2015 12:35 PM
58	We bought an existing well known business - it was unique	10/26/2015 8:49 PM
59	To fulfil a dream and to give employment to my son and daughter	10/26/2015 7:56 PM
60	We were local to Totnes	10/26/2015 5:53 PM
61	20 years ago it seemed the most buoyant town of the south hams	10/26/2015 5:27 PM
62	I came to Totnes because it was in easy reach of Plymouth and Exeter with rails links to London and beyond.	10/26/2015 2:51 PM
63	We moved here from London in 1997. It was a combination of: - alternative culture (Dartington, interesting primary schools, Sharpham, Transition), aware buying population (where you spend your money makes a difference), the beach and Dartmoor, less than 3 hours on the train from London (just), interesting business already here.	10/26/2015 1:56 PM

64	I have set up as a self employed consultant. I used to live in the South East and travelled around the country with my job. I now have a young family & am unable to travel or work for national organisations that would require me to work away. I have been unable to find a job that fitted my 'pre-family' career path and so have based myself in Totnes (as I want to be here as a lifestyle choice to raise my family) as a free-lance consultant	10/23/2015 8:21 PM
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