

# 2023 Budget Consultation Summary Report

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## Background

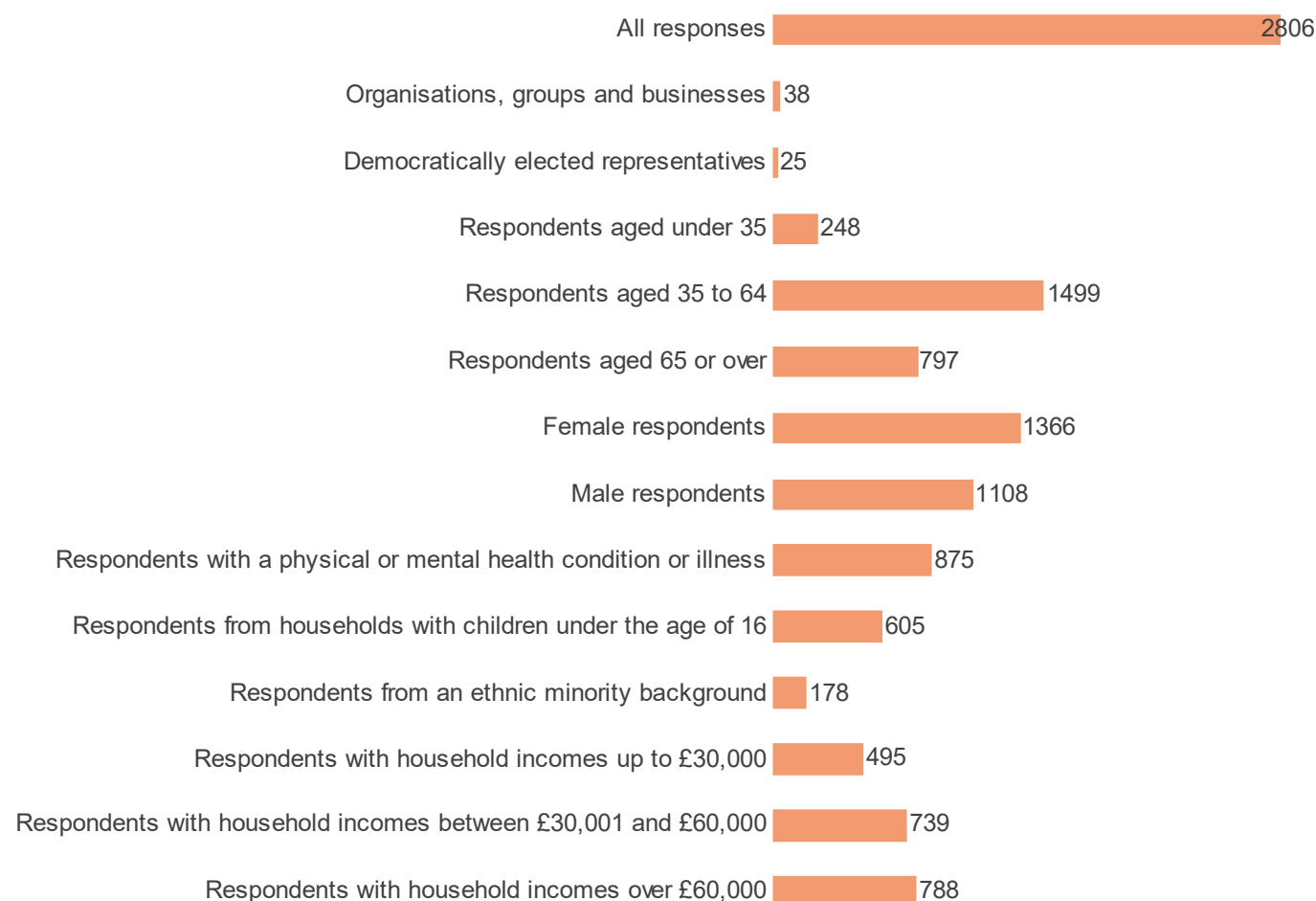
This report summarises the responses to Hampshire County Council's 2023 Budget Consultation, undertaken in June and July 2023.

The survey opened on 12 June, closing on 23 July 2023. There have been 2806 responses, with the average respondent taking 17 minutes to respond.

Please note: For samples of below 7 data is suppressed. This is to protect respondents' confidentiality, and to mitigate the risks of interpreting the responses of very small groups. Where data is suppressed in tables this is represented with an asterisk (\*), and on charts data is not shown for small sample sizes

In order to understand the responses of different groups of respondents at Hampshire County Council, a number of groups have been identified for the more detailed analyses in this report. The sizes of these response groups are shown below:

### Respondent groups (Base: 2806)



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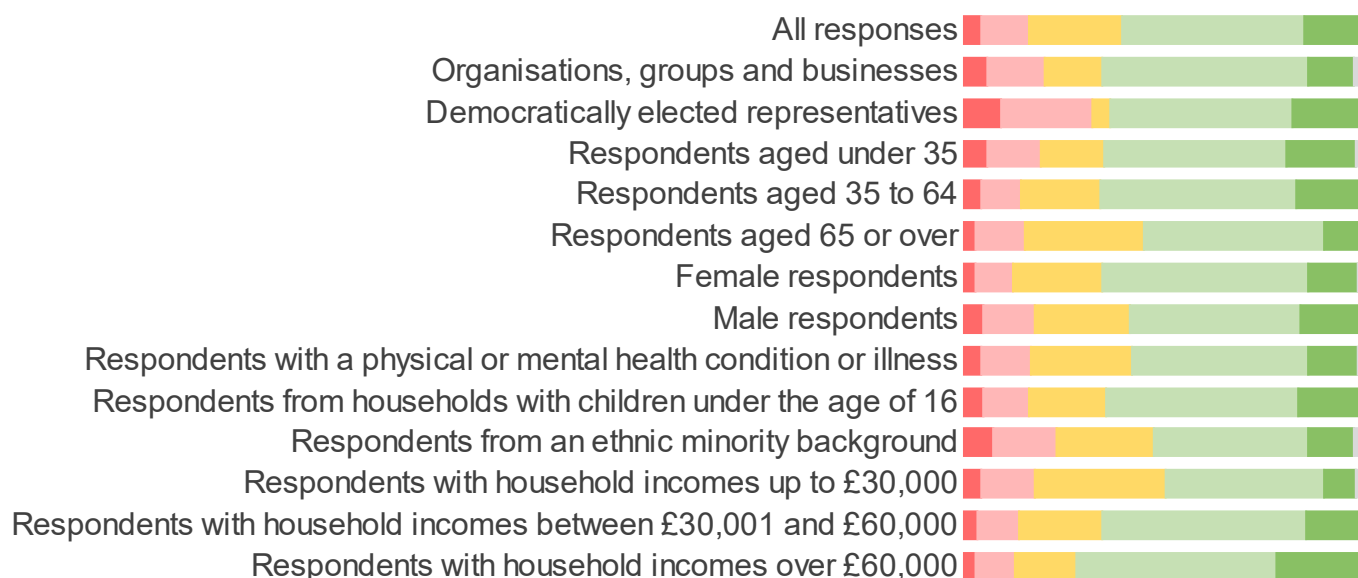
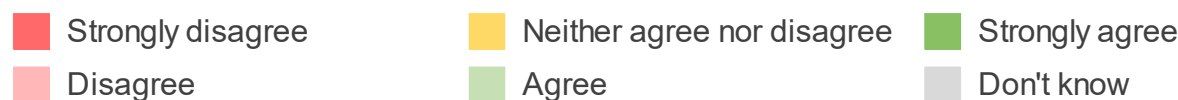
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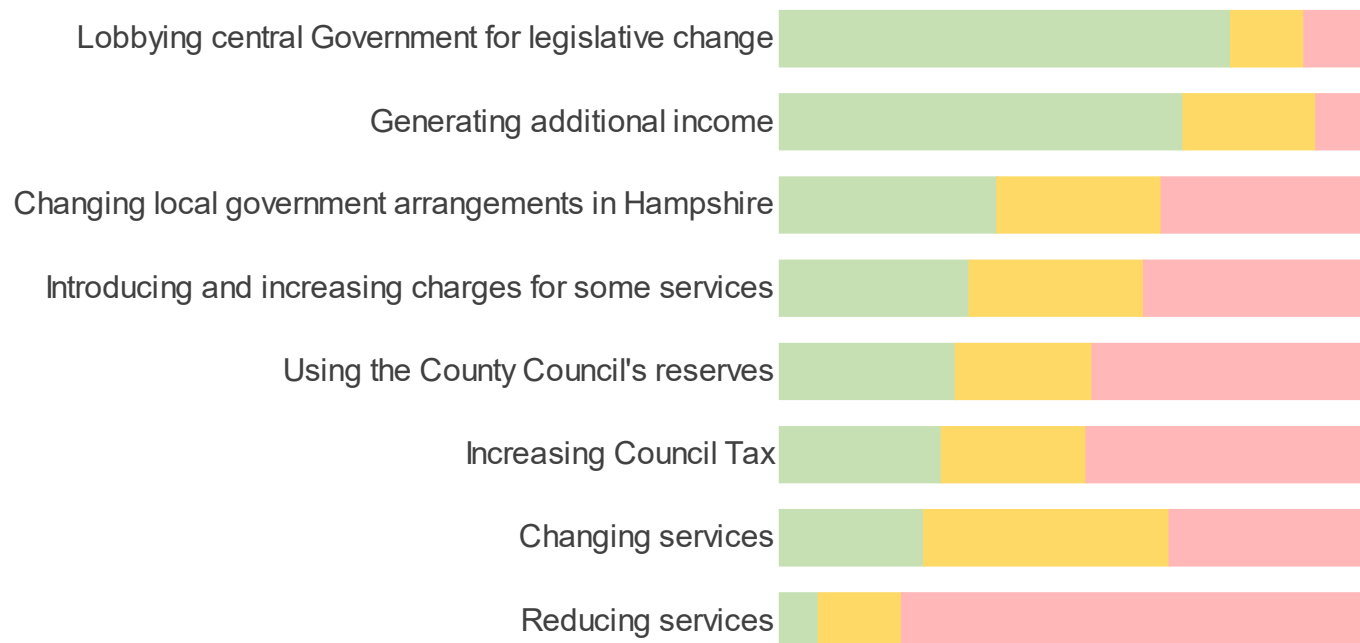
To what extent do you agree or disagree with the County Council continuing its financial strategy as described?



	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2551	4%	12%	23%	46%	14%	2%	17%	60%
Organisations, groups and businesses	35	6%	14%	14%	51%	11%	3%	21%	65%
Democratically elected representatives	22	9%	23%	5%	45%	18%	-	32%	64%
Respondents aged under 35	234	6%	14%	15%	45%	18%	3%	20%	64%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1339	4%	10%	20%	49%	16%	1%	14%	66%
Respondents aged 65 or over	742	3%	12%	30%	45%	9%	1%	15%	55%
Female respondents	1227	3%	9%	22%	51%	13%	2%	13%	65%
Male respondents	1028	5%	12%	24%	42%	16%	1%	17%	59%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	799	5%	12%	25%	44%	13%	2%	17%	57%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	524	5%	11%	19%	48%	15%	1%	16%	64%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	164	7%	16%	24%	38%	12%	3%	24%	52%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	455	4%	13%	32%	39%	8%	3%	18%	49%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	685	3%	10%	20%	51%	13%	2%	14%	65%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	703	3%	10%	15%	50%	22%	1%	13%	72%

## Respondents' preferences for options to balance the County Council's budget

■ Top 3 preferences    
 ■ Mid-range preferences    
 ■ Bottom 3 preferences

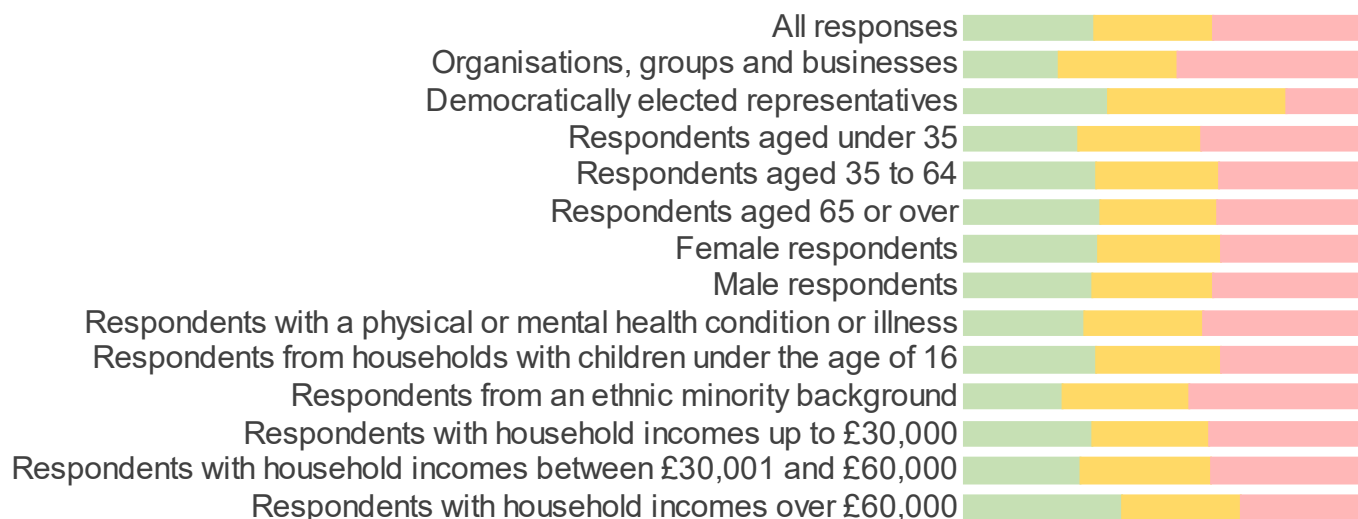


Q: Please rank each of the following options for balancing the County Council's budget by order of preference

	Total	Top 3 preferences	Mid-range preferences	Bottom 3 preferences
Lobbying central Government for legislative change		76%	13%	11%
Generating additional income		68%	23%	9%
Changing local government arrangements in Hampshire		37%	28%	35%
Introducing and increasing charges for some services		32%	30%	38%
Using the County Council's reserves		30%	23%	47%
Increasing Council Tax		28%	25%	48%
Changing services		24%	42%	34%
Reducing services		7%	14%	79%

## Introducing and increasing charges for some services

■ Top 3 preferences     
 ■ Mid-range preferences     
 ■ Bottom 3 preferences

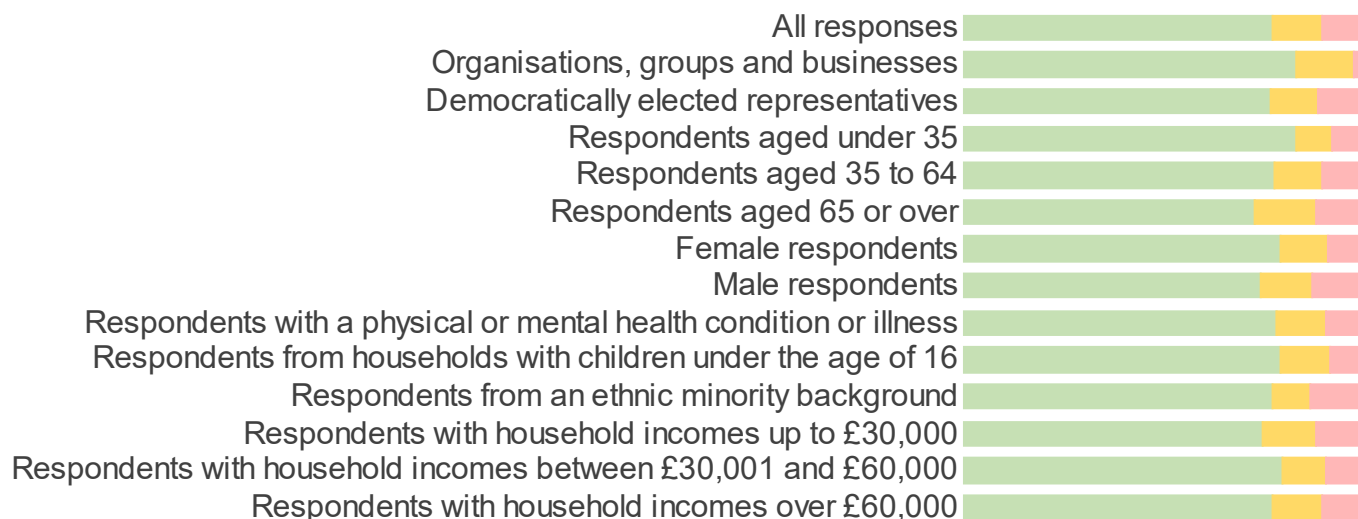


Q: Please rank each of the following options for balancing the County Council's budget by order of preference

	Base	Top 3 preferences	Mid-range preferences	Bottom 3 preferences
All responses	2646	32%	30%	38%
Organisations, groups and businesses	34	24%	29%	47%
Democratically elected representatives	25	36%	44%	20%
Respondents aged under 35	238	28%	31%	41%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1429	33%	30%	37%
Respondents aged 65 or over	745	34%	29%	37%
Female respondents	1296	33%	30%	36%
Male respondents	1053	32%	30%	38%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	829	30%	29%	41%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	581	33%	31%	36%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	168	24%	32%	44%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	461	32%	29%	39%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	710	29%	32%	39%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	764	39%	30%	31%

## Lobbying central Government for legislative change

■ Top 3 preferences    
 ■ Mid-range preferences    
 ■ Bottom 3 preferences



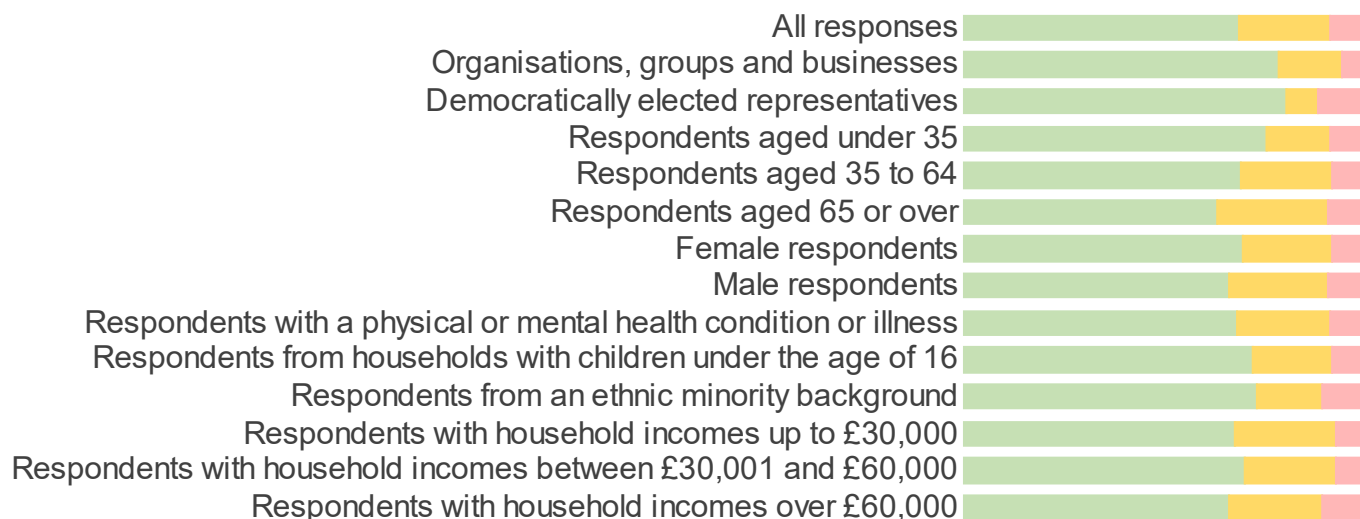
Q: Please rank each of the following options for balancing the County Council's budget by order of preference

	Base	Top 3 preferences	Mid-range preferences	Bottom 3 preferences
All responses	2694	76%	13%	11%
Organisations, groups and businesses	34	82%	15%	3%
Democratically elected representatives	25	76%	12%	12%
Respondents aged under 35	242	83%	9%	8%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1459	77%	12%	11%
Respondents aged 65 or over	760	72%	15%	13%
Female respondents	1325	79%	12%	10%
Male respondents	1072	74%	13%	13%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	843	78%	12%	10%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	596	79%	12%	9%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	170	76%	9%	14%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	472	74%	13%	13%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	723	79%	11%	10%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	775	77%	12%	11%

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## Generating additional income

■ Top 3 preferences    
 ■ Mid-range preferences    
 ■ Bottom 3 preferences



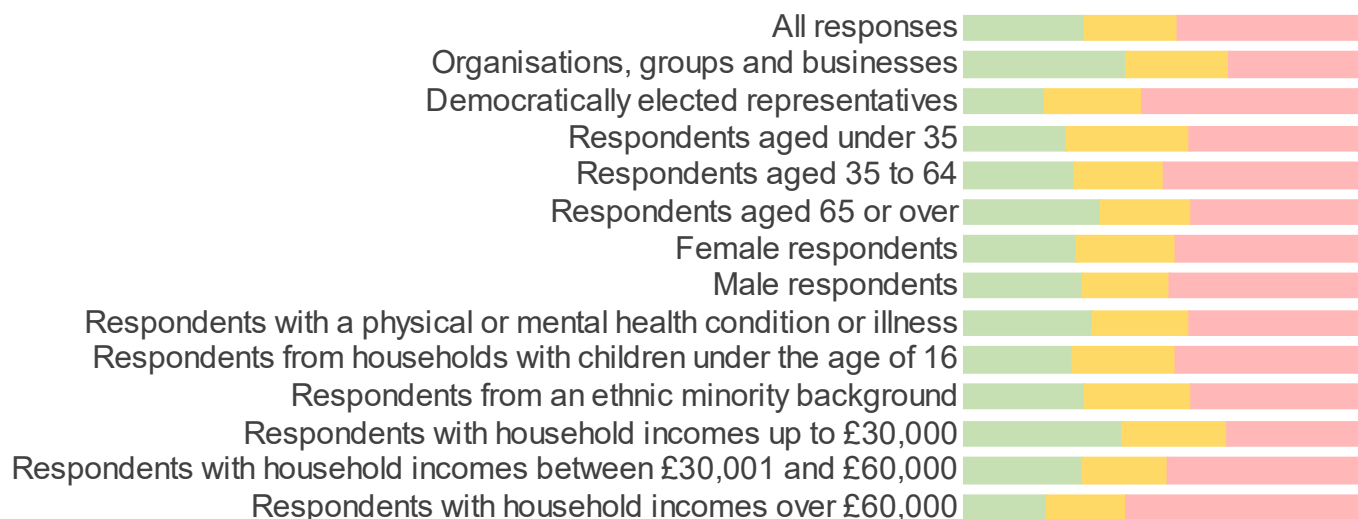
Q: Please rank each of the following options for balancing the County Council's budget by order of preference

	Base	Top 3 preferences	Mid-range preferences	Bottom 3 preferences
All responses	2531	68%	23%	9%
Organisations, groups and businesses	32	78%	16%	6%
Democratically elected representatives	25	80%	8%	12%
Respondents aged under 35	228	75%	16%	9%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1392	69%	22%	9%
Respondents aged 65 or over	690	63%	28%	9%
Female respondents	1226	69%	23%	8%
Male respondents	1022	66%	24%	10%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	768	68%	23%	9%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	563	72%	20%	9%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	164	73%	16%	11%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	427	67%	25%	7%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	691	70%	23%	7%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	752	66%	23%	11%

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## Using the County Council's reserves

■ Top 3 preferences    
 ■ Mid-range preferences    
 ■ Bottom 3 preferences



Q: Please rank each of the following options for balancing the County Council's budget by order of preference

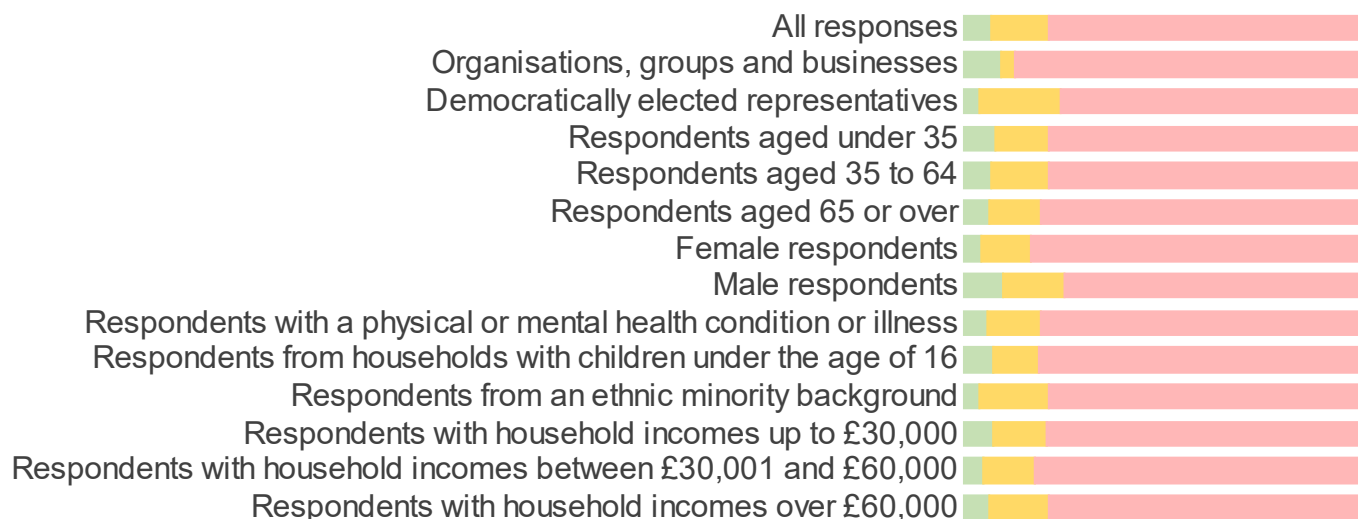
	Base	Top 3 preferences	Mid-range preferences	Bottom 3 preferences
All responses	2626	30%	23%	47%
Organisations, groups and businesses	35	40%	26%	34%
Democratically elected representatives	25	20%	24%	56%
Respondents aged under 35	231	26%	30%	44%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1409	28%	22%	51%
Respondents aged 65 or over	749	34%	23%	43%
Female respondents	1289	28%	25%	47%
Male respondents	1041	29%	22%	49%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	834	32%	24%	44%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	572	27%	26%	47%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	168	30%	27%	43%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	463	39%	26%	34%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	695	30%	21%	49%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	745	20%	20%	60%



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## Reducing services

■ Top 3 preferences    
 ■ Mid-range preferences    
 ■ Bottom 3 preferences



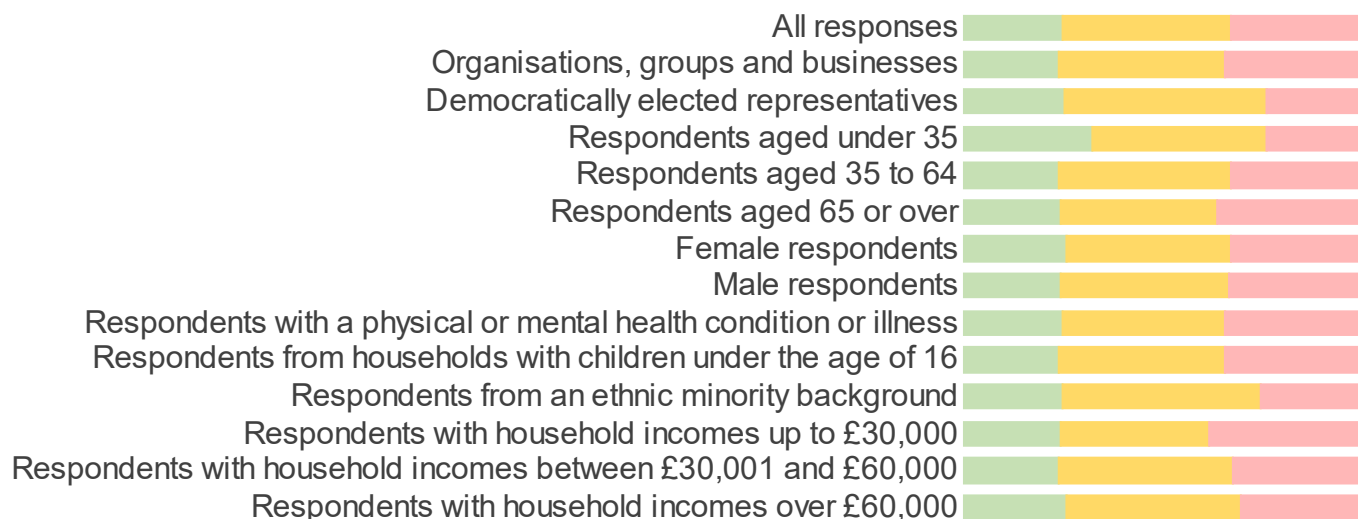
Q: Please rank each of the following options for balancing the County Council's budget by order of preference

	Base	Top 3 preferences	Mid-range preferences	Bottom 3 preferences
All responses	2617	7%	14%	79%
Organisations, groups and businesses	32	9%	3%	88%
Democratically elected representatives	25	4%	20%	76%
Respondents aged under 35	239	8%	13%	79%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1424	7%	14%	79%
Respondents aged 65 or over	727	6%	13%	81%
Female respondents	1281	4%	12%	83%
Male respondents	1045	9%	15%	75%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	821	6%	14%	81%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	573	7%	12%	82%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	164	4%	17%	79%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	457	7%	13%	79%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	702	5%	13%	82%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	755	6%	15%	79%

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## Changing services

■ Top 3 preferences     
 ■ Mid-range preferences     
 ■ Bottom 3 preferences



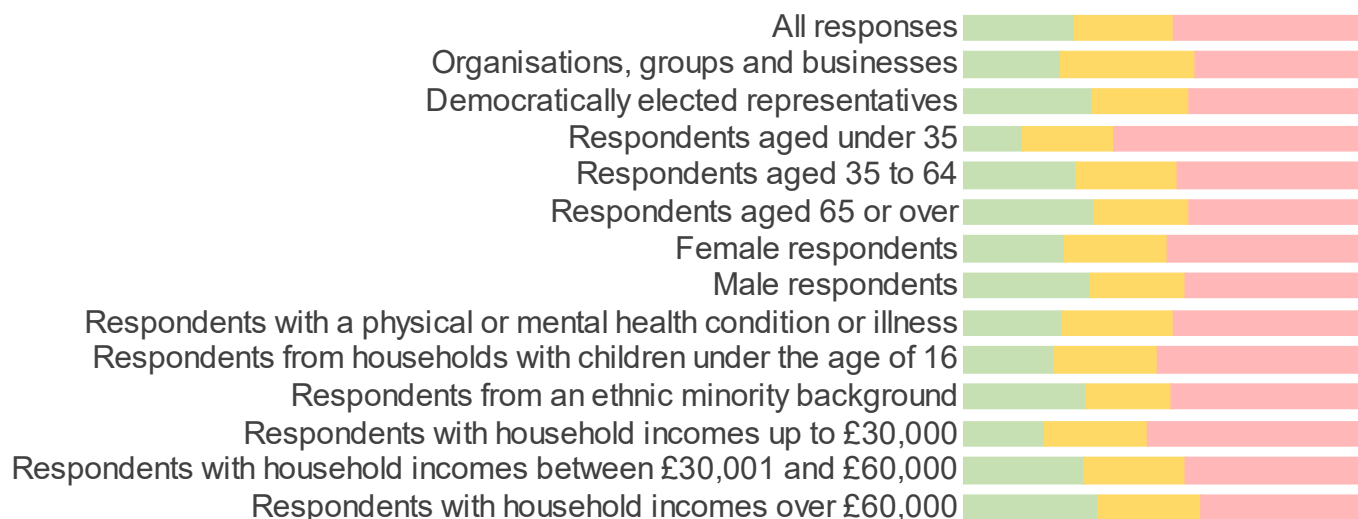
Q: Please rank each of the following options for balancing the County Council's budget by order of preference

	Base	Top 3 preferences	Mid-range preferences	Bottom 3 preferences
All responses	2648	24%	42%	34%
Organisations, groups and businesses	34	24%	41%	35%
Democratically elected representatives	24	25%	50%	25%
Respondents aged under 35	240	32%	43%	25%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1440	23%	43%	34%
Respondents aged 65 or over	739	24%	39%	37%
Female respondents	1306	25%	41%	34%
Male respondents	1049	24%	42%	34%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	832	24%	41%	35%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	584	23%	42%	35%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	166	25%	49%	27%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	455	24%	37%	39%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	716	24%	43%	33%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	768	25%	43%	31%

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## Increasing Council Tax

■ Top 3 preferences    
 ■ Mid-range preferences    
 ■ Bottom 3 preferences

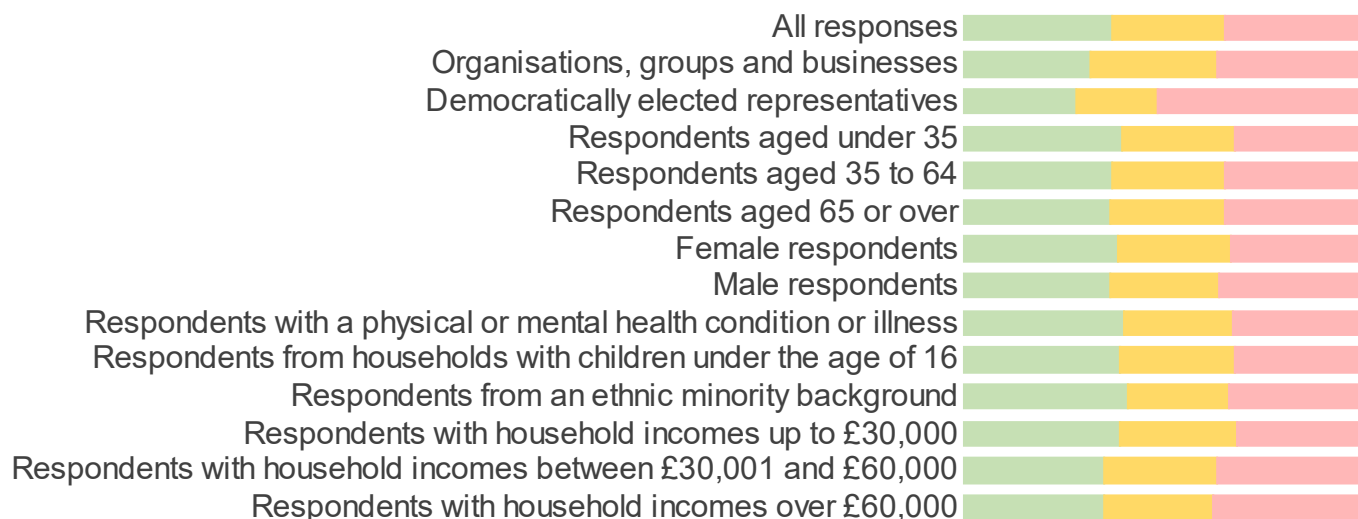


Q: Please rank each of the following options for balancing the County Council's budget by order of preference

	Base	Top 3 preferences	Mid-range preferences	Bottom 3 preferences
All responses	2676	28%	25%	48%
Organisations, groups and businesses	33	24%	33%	42%
Democratically elected representatives	25	32%	24%	44%
Respondents aged under 35	240	15%	23%	63%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1445	28%	25%	47%
Respondents aged 65 or over	761	32%	24%	44%
Female respondents	1313	25%	26%	49%
Male respondents	1068	31%	24%	45%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	839	25%	27%	48%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	583	22%	26%	52%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	167	31%	21%	49%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	472	20%	26%	54%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	719	30%	25%	45%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	770	34%	26%	41%

## Changing local government arrangements in Hampshire

■ Top 3 preferences    
 ■ Mid-range preferences    
 ■ Bottom 3 preferences

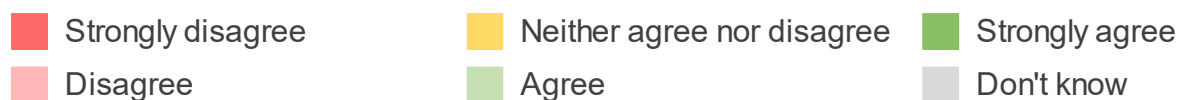


Q: Please rank each of the following options for balancing the County Council's budget by order of preference

	Base	Top 3 preferences	Mid-range preferences	Bottom 3 preferences
All responses	2686	37%	28%	35%
Organisations, groups and businesses	35	31%	31%	37%
Democratically elected representatives	25	28%	20%	52%
Respondents aged under 35	240	39%	28%	33%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1451	37%	28%	35%
Respondents aged 65 or over	760	36%	29%	35%
Female respondents	1319	38%	28%	34%
Male respondents	1069	36%	27%	37%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	839	40%	27%	33%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	591	39%	29%	32%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	167	41%	25%	34%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	475	39%	29%	32%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	716	35%	28%	37%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	772	35%	27%	38%

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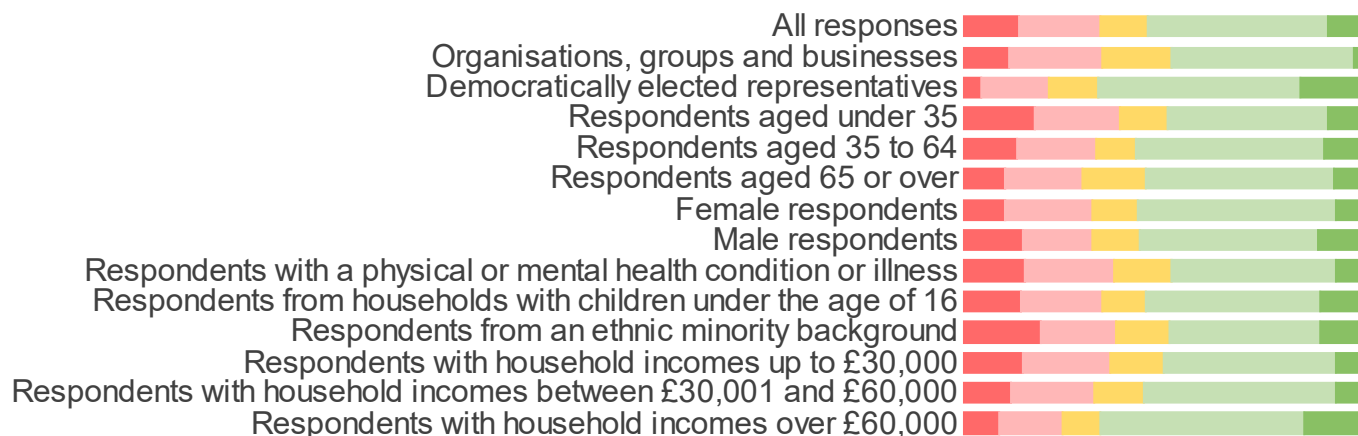
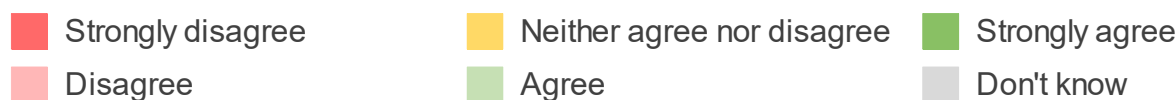
To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposal to cover the costs of running some local services by...



	Total	All responses						Excluding 'Don't know'	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
Increasing existing charges for services	2716	14%	20%	12%	45%	9%	1%	34%	54%
Introducing new charges for services that are currently free	2749	18%	23%	11%	38%	9%	1%	42%	47%

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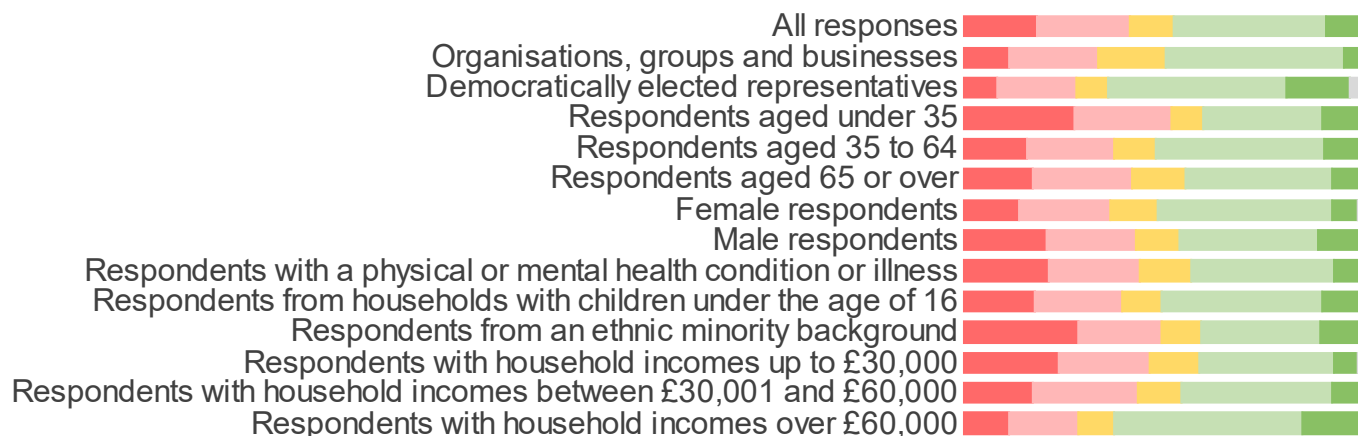
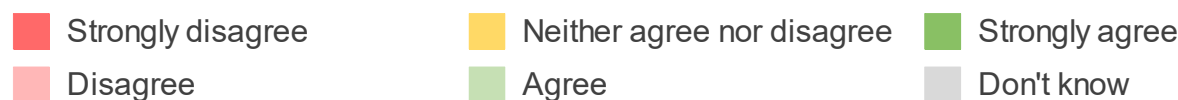
To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposal to cover the costs of running some local services by increasing existing charges for services?



	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2716	14%	20%	12%	45%	9%	1%	34%	54%
Organisations, groups and businesses	35	11%	23%	17%	46%	3%	-	34%	49%
Democratically elected representatives	24	4%	17%	13%	50%	17%	-	21%	67%
Respondents aged under 35	244	18%	21%	11%	40%	9%	0%	39%	49%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1449	13%	20%	10%	47%	10%	1%	33%	57%
Respondents aged 65 or over	773	10%	19%	16%	47%	8%	1%	29%	55%
Female respondents	1315	10%	22%	11%	49%	6%	1%	32%	56%
Male respondents	1085	14%	17%	12%	44%	12%	0%	32%	56%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	857	15%	22%	14%	41%	7%	1%	38%	48%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	591	14%	20%	10%	43%	11%	1%	35%	55%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	172	19%	19%	13%	37%	11%	1%	38%	49%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	479	15%	22%	13%	43%	6%	1%	37%	50%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	716	12%	20%	13%	47%	7%	1%	32%	55%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	761	9%	16%	9%	51%	15%	0%	25%	66%

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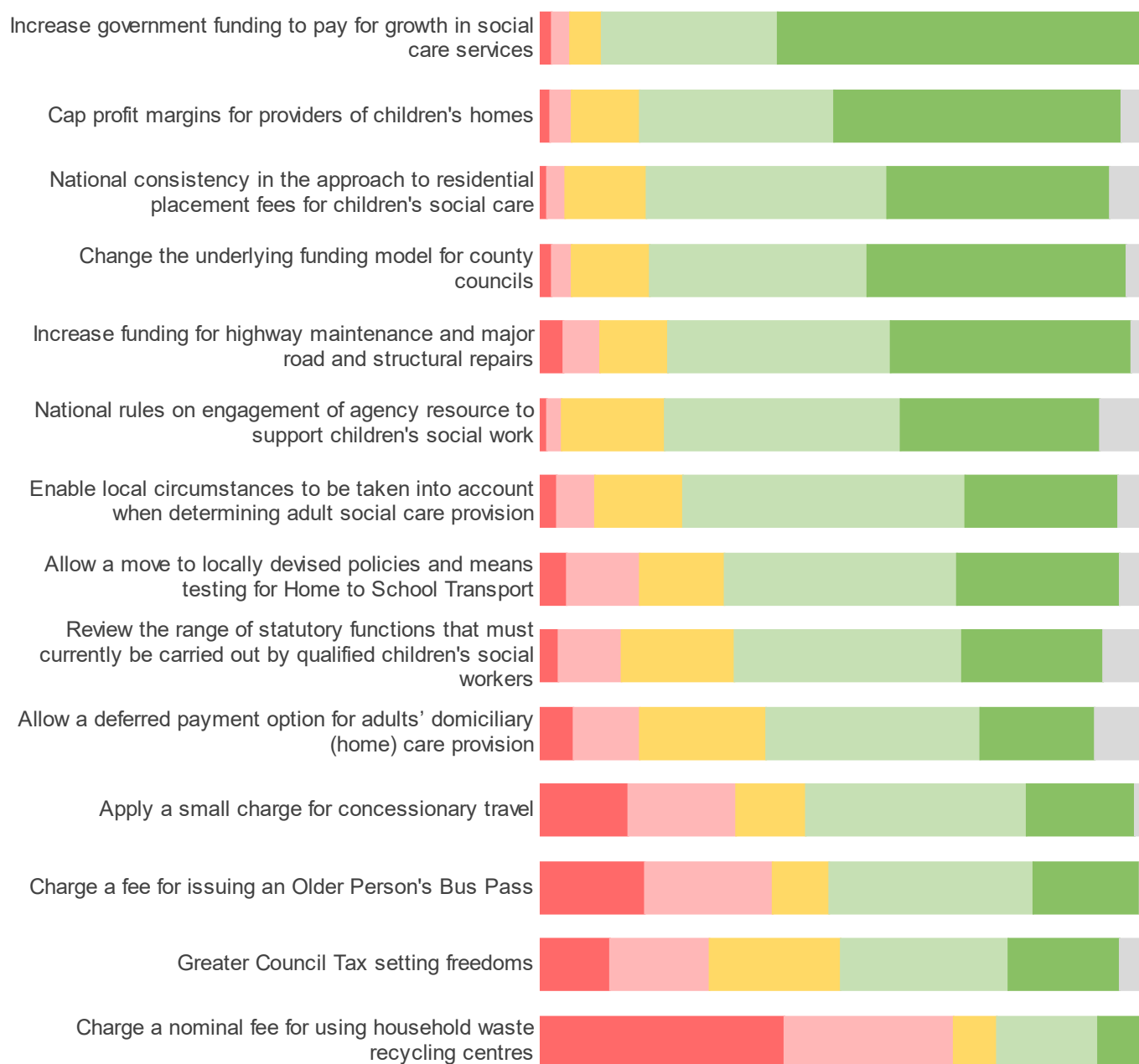
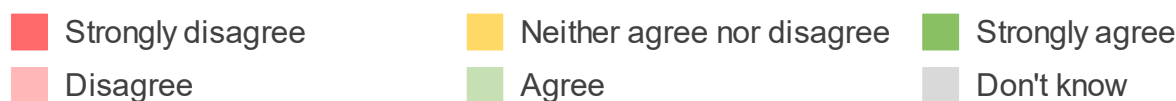
To what extent do you agree or disagree with the proposal to cover the costs of running some local services by introducing new charges for services that are currently free?



	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2749	18%	23%	11%	38%	9%	1%	42%	47%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	11%	22%	17%	44%	6%	-	33%	50%
Democratically elected representatives	25	8%	20%	8%	44%	16%	4%	29%	63%
Respondents aged under 35	245	27%	24%	8%	29%	10%	1%	52%	40%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1484	16%	21%	10%	42%	9%	1%	38%	52%
Respondents aged 65 or over	767	17%	24%	13%	37%	7%	1%	42%	45%
Female respondents	1341	14%	23%	12%	43%	6%	2%	37%	51%
Male respondents	1088	20%	22%	11%	34%	11%	1%	43%	46%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	859	21%	23%	13%	35%	6%	2%	44%	42%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	602	18%	22%	10%	40%	10%	1%	40%	51%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	173	28%	21%	10%	29%	10%	2%	50%	40%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	481	23%	23%	13%	33%	6%	2%	47%	40%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	734	17%	26%	11%	38%	7%	1%	43%	46%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	776	11%	17%	9%	47%	15%	1%	29%	62%

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To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?





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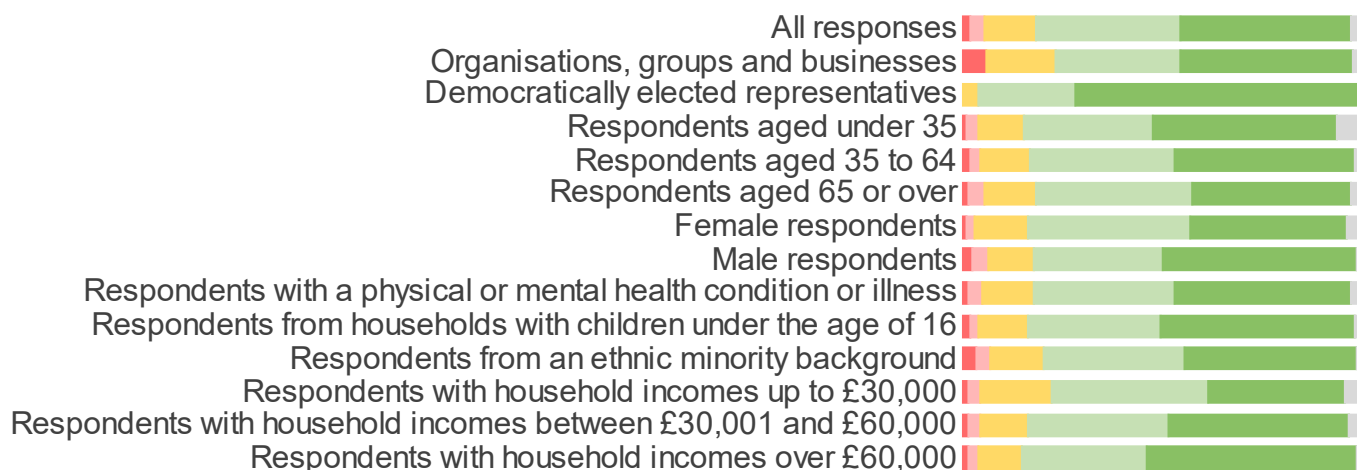
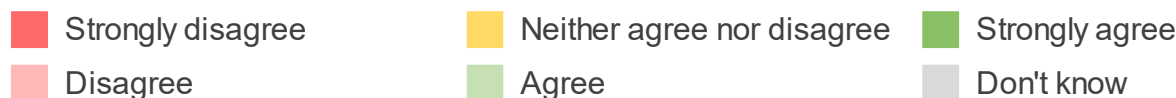
	Total	All responses						Excluding 'Don't know'	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Agree overall	Disagree overall
Increase government funding to pay for growth in social care services	2774	2%	3%	5%	29%	60%	1%	90%	5%
Cap profit margins for providers of children's homes	2776	1%	4%	11%	32%	48%	4%	83%	5%
National consistency in the approach to residential placement fees for children's social care	2765	1%	3%	13%	40%	37%	6%	81%	4%
Change the underlying funding model for county councils	2751	2%	3%	13%	36%	43%	3%	81%	5%
Increase funding for highway maintenance and major road and structural repairs	2771	4%	6%	11%	37%	40%	2%	79%	10%
National rules on engagement of agency resource to support children's social work	2755	1%	3%	17%	39%	33%	8%	78%	4%
Enable local circumstances to be taken into account when determining adult social care provision	2757	3%	6%	14%	47%	25%	5%	75%	9%
Allow a move to locally devised policies and means testing for Home to School Transport	2775	4%	12%	14%	38%	27%	5%	68%	17%
Review the range of statutory functions that must currently be carried out by qualified children's social workers	2767	3%	10%	18%	38%	23%	7%	66%	15%
Allow a deferred payment option for adults' domiciliary (home) care provision	2761	5%	11%	21%	35%	19%	9%	59%	18%
Apply a small charge for concessionary travel	2766	14%	18%	12%	36%	18%	2%	55%	33%
Charge a fee for issuing an Older Person's Bus Pass	2767	17%	21%	10%	34%	18%	1%	52%	39%
Greater Council Tax setting freedoms	2773	12%	16%	22%	28%	18%	4%	48%	29%
Charge a nominal fee for using household waste recycling centres	2778	40%	28%	7%	17%	8%	0%	24%	68%

*Please note: the 'Agree overall' column appears before the 'Disagree overall' column in this table to allow the options to be ordered by strongest agreement.*

A breakdown of the responses in relation to each of these lobbying proposals is shown over the following pages.

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## Change the underlying funding model for county councils

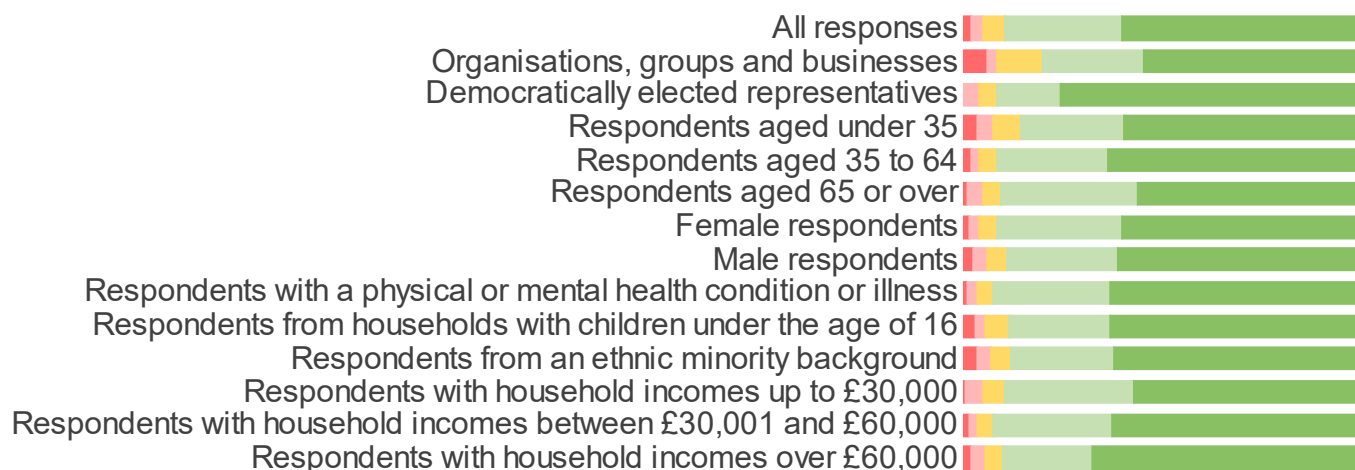
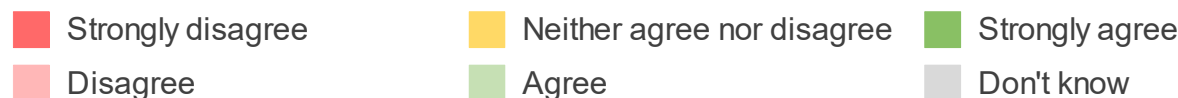


Q: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?

	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2751	2%	3%	13%	36%	43%	3%	5%	81%
Organisations, groups and businesses	35	6%	-	17%	31%	43%	3%	6%	76%
Democratically elected representatives	25	-	-	4%	24%	72%	-	0%	96%
Respondents aged under 35	247	1%	3%	11%	32%	46%	7%	4%	83%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1472	2%	3%	13%	36%	45%	3%	4%	83%
Respondents aged 65 or over	782	1%	4%	13%	39%	40%	3%	6%	81%
Female respondents	1341	1%	2%	13%	40%	39%	4%	3%	83%
Male respondents	1093	2%	4%	11%	32%	48%	2%	7%	82%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	858	2%	3%	13%	35%	43%	4%	5%	82%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	593	2%	2%	12%	33%	48%	3%	4%	84%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	176	3%	3%	13%	35%	43%	2%	7%	80%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	485	1%	3%	18%	39%	34%	5%	5%	77%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	730	1%	3%	12%	35%	45%	4%	5%	83%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	778	1%	3%	11%	31%	52%	2%	4%	85%

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## Increase government funding to pay for growth in social care services

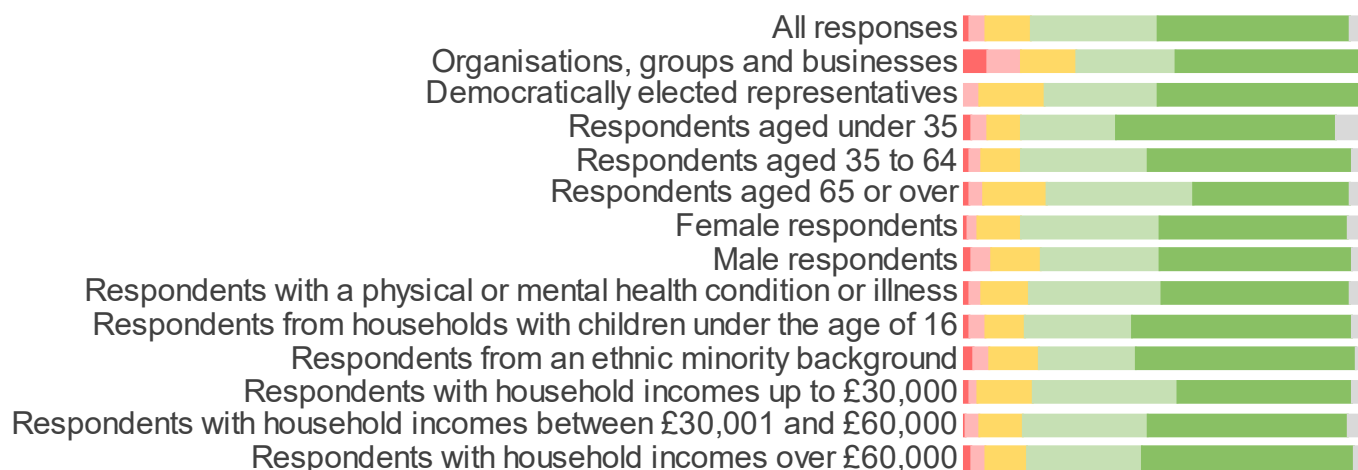
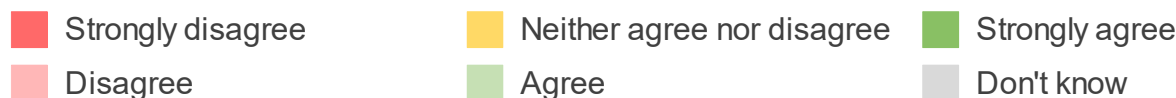


Q: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?

	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2774	2%	3%	5%	29%	60%	1%	5%	90%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	6%	3%	11%	25%	56%	-	8%	81%
Democratically elected representatives	25	-	4%	4%	16%	76%	-	4%	92%
Respondents aged under 35	246	3%	4%	7%	26%	58%	2%	7%	85%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1491	2%	2%	5%	27%	64%	1%	4%	91%
Respondents aged 65 or over	785	1%	4%	4%	34%	56%	1%	5%	91%
Female respondents	1351	1%	3%	5%	31%	60%	1%	4%	92%
Male respondents	1104	2%	4%	5%	28%	60%	1%	6%	89%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	866	1%	2%	4%	29%	62%	1%	4%	93%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	602	3%	3%	6%	25%	63%	1%	6%	89%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	177	3%	3%	5%	25%	62%	1%	7%	88%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	490	0%	4%	5%	32%	57%	1%	5%	90%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	736	1%	2%	4%	29%	62%	1%	3%	93%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	783	2%	3%	5%	22%	68%	0%	5%	90%

# 2023 Budget Consultation Summary Report

## Cap profit margins for providers of children's homes

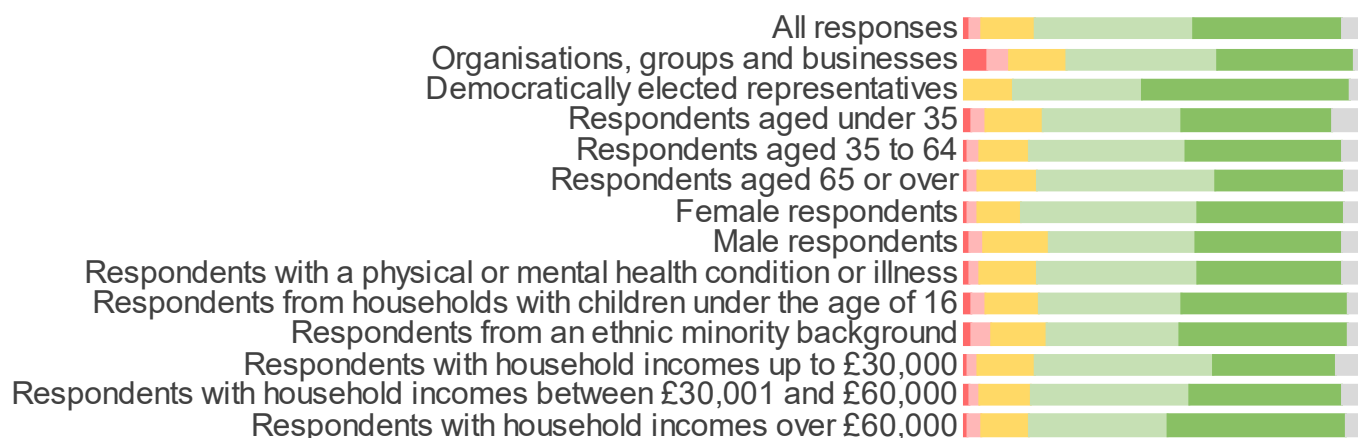
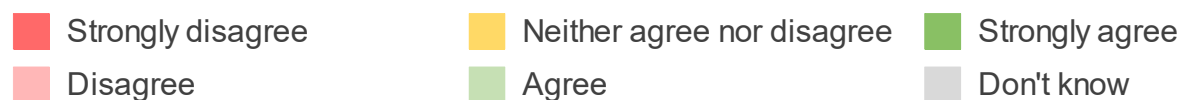


Q: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?

	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2776	1%	4%	11%	32%	48%	4%	5%	83%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	6%	8%	14%	25%	47%	-	14%	72%
Democratically elected representatives	25	-	4%	16%	28%	52%	-	4%	80%
Respondents aged under 35	246	2%	4%	9%	24%	54%	8%	6%	85%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1490	1%	3%	10%	32%	51%	4%	5%	85%
Respondents aged 65 or over	788	1%	4%	15%	37%	39%	4%	5%	79%
Female respondents	1352	1%	3%	11%	35%	47%	5%	4%	85%
Male respondents	1103	2%	5%	12%	30%	48%	3%	7%	80%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	872	1%	3%	12%	33%	47%	4%	5%	83%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	601	1%	4%	10%	27%	55%	3%	6%	84%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	178	2%	4%	12%	24%	54%	3%	6%	81%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	491	1%	2%	14%	36%	43%	4%	4%	82%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	736	1%	4%	10%	31%	50%	5%	4%	85%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	781	2%	4%	10%	29%	52%	3%	6%	84%

# 2023 Budget Consultation Summary Report

## National consistency in the approach to residential placement fees for children's social care

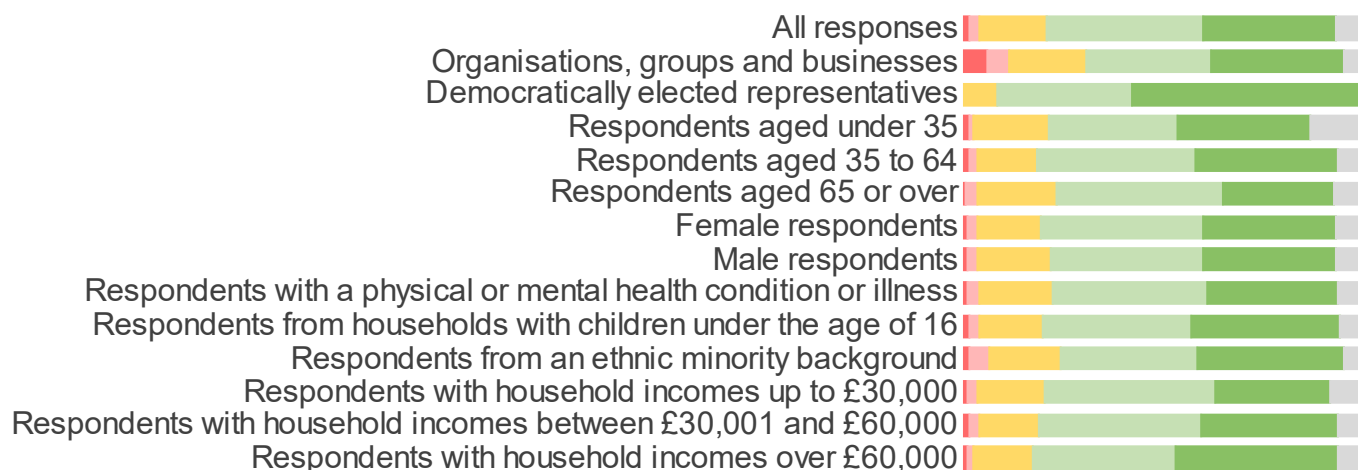
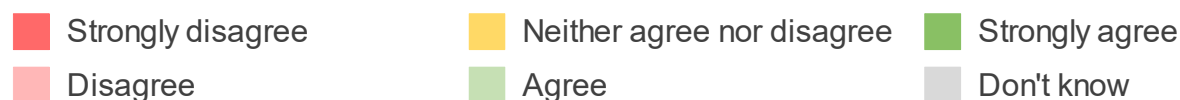


Q: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?

	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2765	1%	3%	13%	40%	37%	6%	4%	81%
Organisations, groups and businesses	35	6%	6%	14%	37%	34%	3%	12%	74%
Democratically elected representatives	25	-	-	12%	32%	52%	4%	0%	88%
Respondents aged under 35	247	2%	4%	15%	34%	38%	9%	6%	78%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1486	1%	3%	12%	39%	39%	6%	4%	83%
Respondents aged 65 or over	782	1%	2%	15%	44%	32%	6%	3%	81%
Female respondents	1349	1%	3%	11%	44%	37%	6%	3%	85%
Male respondents	1098	1%	3%	16%	36%	37%	6%	5%	78%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	868	1%	3%	14%	40%	36%	6%	4%	81%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	602	2%	4%	13%	36%	41%	4%	6%	81%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	177	2%	5%	14%	33%	42%	5%	7%	79%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	489	1%	2%	14%	44%	31%	8%	3%	81%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	736	1%	3%	13%	39%	38%	6%	4%	82%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	780	1%	3%	12%	35%	44%	5%	4%	83%

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## National rules on engagement of agency resource to support children's social work

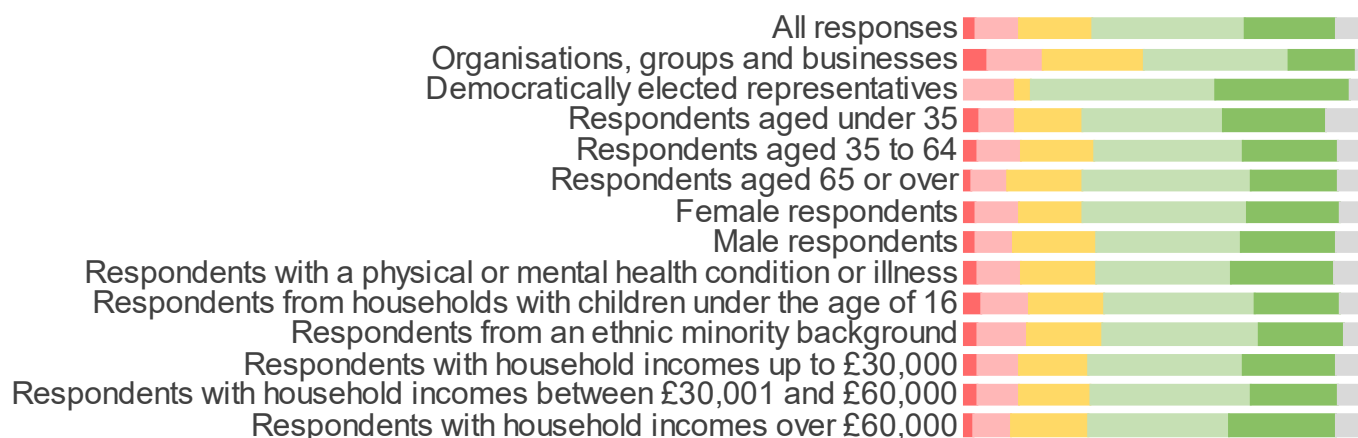
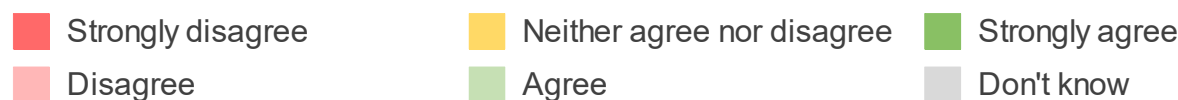


Q: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?

	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2755	1%	3%	17%	39%	33%	8%	4%	78%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	6%	6%	19%	31%	33%	6%	12%	68%
Democratically elected representatives	24	-	-	8%	33%	58%	-	0%	92%
Respondents aged under 35	244	1%	1%	18%	32%	33%	14%	3%	76%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1479	1%	2%	15%	40%	36%	7%	3%	81%
Respondents aged 65 or over	782	1%	3%	20%	41%	28%	8%	4%	75%
Female respondents	1340	1%	2%	16%	40%	33%	8%	4%	79%
Male respondents	1097	1%	2%	18%	38%	33%	8%	3%	77%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	868	1%	3%	18%	39%	32%	7%	4%	76%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	598	1%	3%	15%	37%	37%	7%	4%	79%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	176	1%	5%	18%	34%	36%	6%	7%	75%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	488	1%	2%	17%	42%	28%	9%	3%	78%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	732	1%	2%	15%	40%	34%	7%	4%	80%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	776	1%	2%	15%	36%	40%	7%	2%	81%

# 2023 Budget Consultation Summary Report

Review the range of statutory functions that must currently be carried out by qualified children's social workers

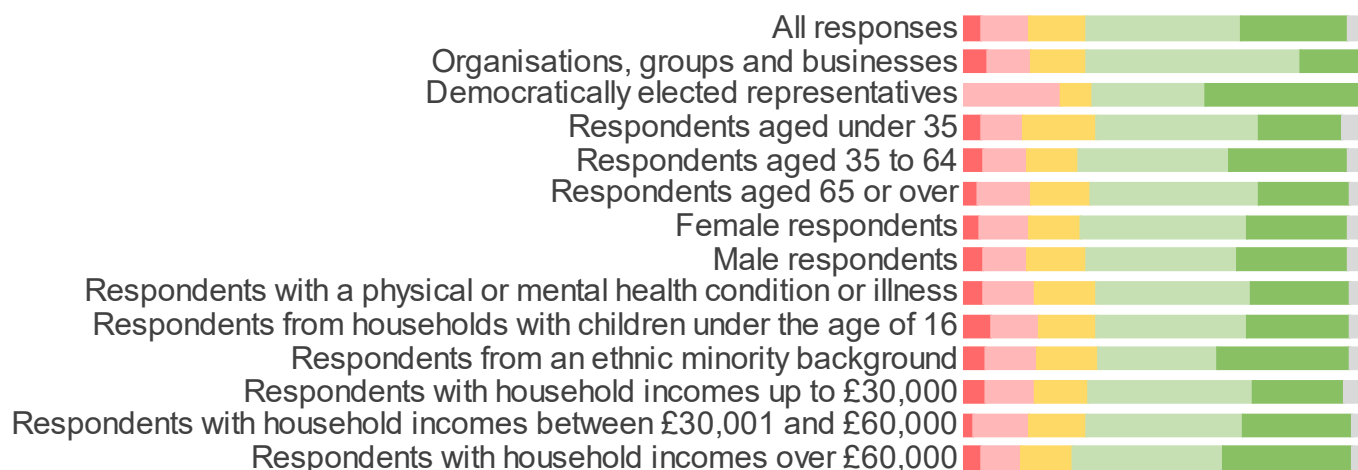
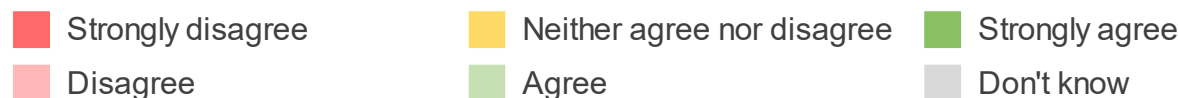


Q: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?

	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2767	3%	10%	18%	38%	23%	7%	15%	66%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	6%	14%	25%	36%	17%	3%	20%	54%
Democratically elected representatives	24	-	13%	4%	46%	33%	4%	13%	83%
Respondents aged under 35	247	4%	9%	17%	35%	26%	10%	14%	67%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1483	3%	11%	18%	37%	24%	7%	15%	65%
Respondents aged 65 or over	784	2%	9%	19%	42%	22%	7%	11%	69%
Female respondents	1348	3%	11%	16%	41%	23%	7%	15%	68%
Male respondents	1099	3%	9%	21%	36%	23%	8%	13%	64%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	870	3%	11%	19%	34%	26%	8%	16%	64%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	599	4%	12%	19%	37%	21%	6%	17%	63%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	175	3%	12%	19%	39%	21%	6%	16%	64%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	490	3%	10%	17%	38%	23%	8%	15%	66%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	736	3%	11%	18%	40%	22%	7%	15%	66%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	778	2%	10%	19%	35%	26%	8%	13%	66%

# 2023 Budget Consultation Summary Report

## Allow a move to locally devised policies and means testing for Home to School Transport



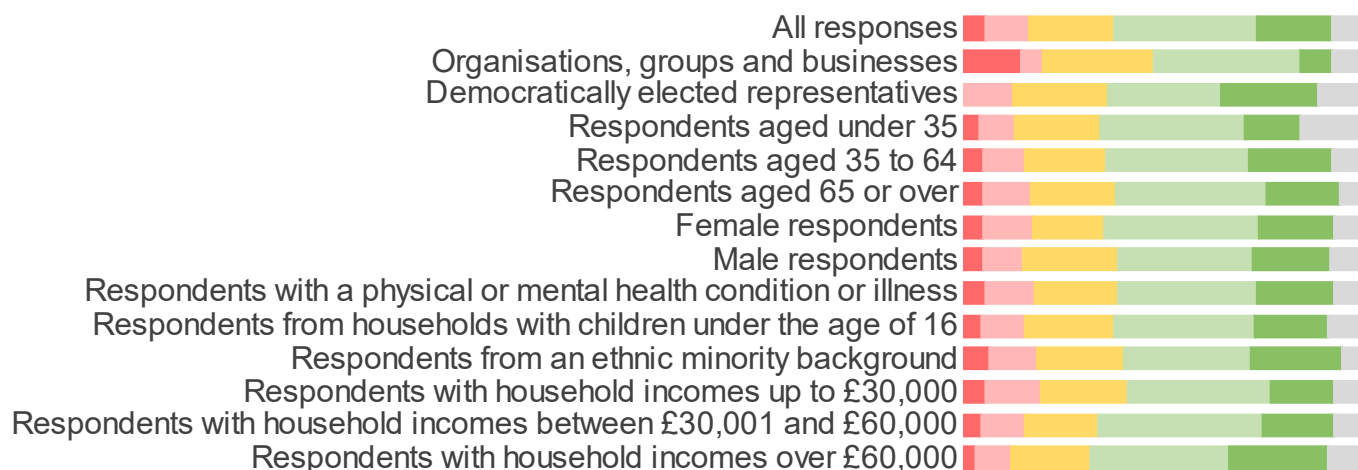
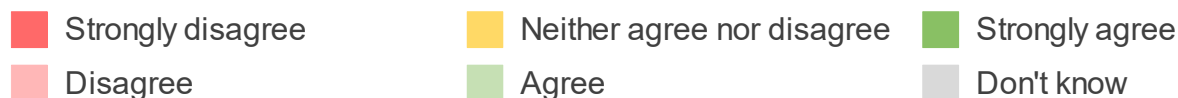
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	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2775	4%	12%	14%	38%	27%	5%	17%	68%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	6%	11%	14%	53%	17%	-	17%	69%
Democratically elected representatives	25	-	24%	8%	28%	40%	-	24%	68%
Respondents aged under 35	246	4%	11%	18%	40%	21%	6%	16%	65%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1488	5%	11%	13%	38%	30%	4%	16%	70%
Respondents aged 65 or over	787	3%	13%	15%	42%	23%	4%	17%	67%
Female respondents	1357	4%	12%	13%	42%	25%	4%	17%	70%
Male respondents	1097	5%	11%	15%	37%	28%	4%	16%	68%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	867	5%	12%	15%	38%	25%	4%	18%	66%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	601	7%	12%	14%	37%	26%	4%	19%	66%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	176	5%	13%	15%	30%	33%	4%	19%	65%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	492	5%	12%	13%	41%	23%	6%	19%	67%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	736	2%	14%	15%	39%	27%	4%	17%	68%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	781	4%	10%	13%	38%	32%	3%	14%	72%



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## Allow a deferred payment option for adults' domiciliary (home) care provision

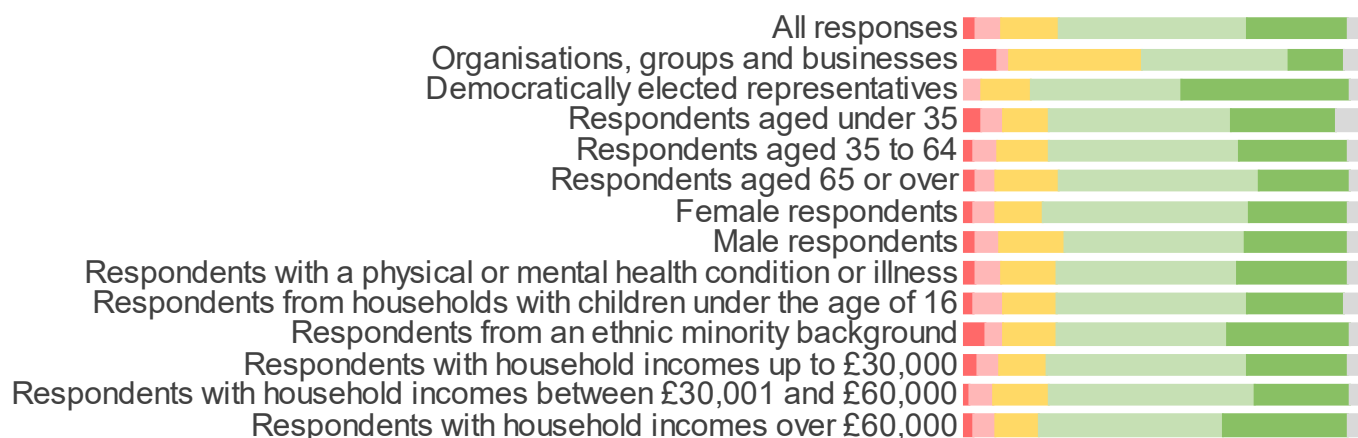
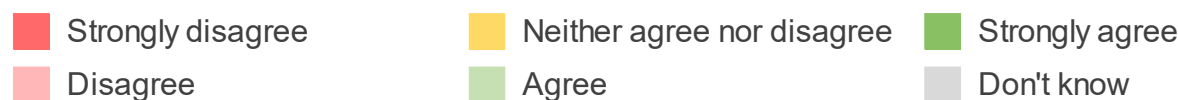


Q: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?

	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2761	5%	11%	21%	35%	19%	9%	18%	59%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	14%	6%	28%	36%	8%	8%	21%	48%
Democratically elected representatives	25	-	12%	24%	28%	24%	12%	14%	59%
Respondents aged under 35	246	4%	9%	21%	36%	14%	16%	15%	60%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1483	5%	10%	20%	36%	20%	9%	17%	61%
Respondents aged 65 or over	782	5%	12%	21%	37%	18%	7%	18%	60%
Female respondents	1350	5%	12%	18%	38%	19%	8%	18%	62%
Male respondents	1095	5%	10%	23%	34%	19%	9%	16%	58%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	865	5%	12%	20%	34%	19%	8%	19%	58%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	597	5%	10%	22%	35%	18%	9%	16%	59%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	176	6%	12%	22%	31%	23%	6%	19%	58%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	487	6%	14%	22%	35%	16%	8%	21%	56%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	733	4%	11%	18%	41%	18%	8%	17%	64%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	780	3%	9%	20%	35%	24%	9%	13%	65%

# 2023 Budget Consultation Summary Report

## Enable local circumstances to be taken into account when determining adult social care provision

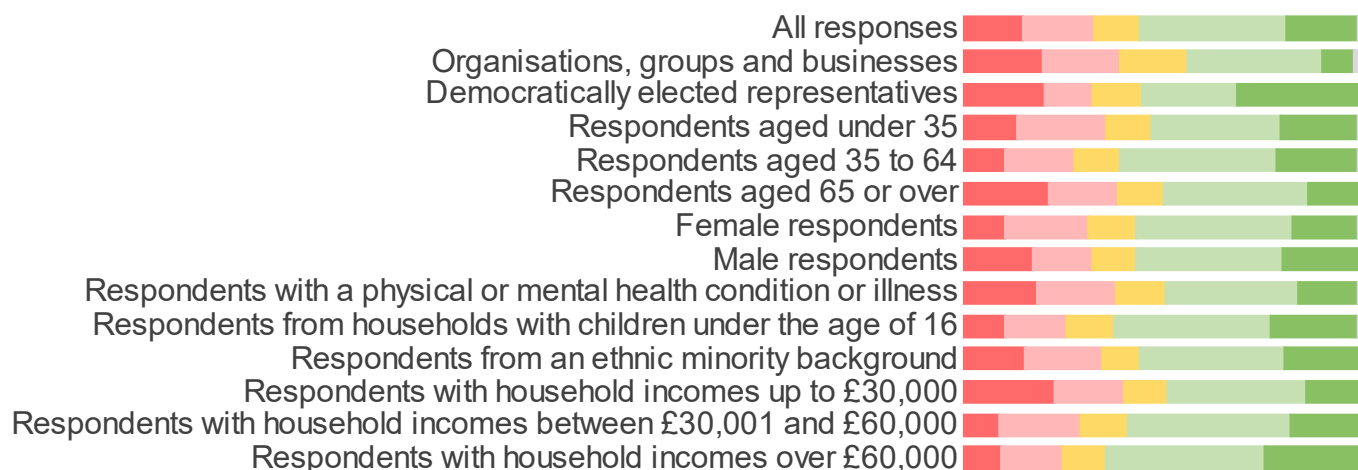
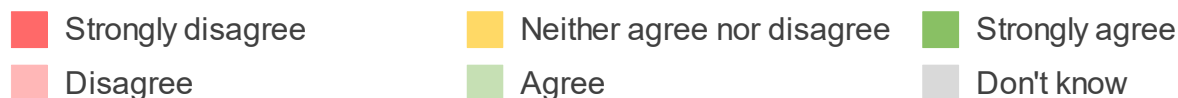


Q: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?

	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2757	3%	6%	14%	47%	25%	5%	9%	75%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	8%	3%	33%	36%	14%	6%	12%	53%
Democratically elected representatives	24	-	4%	13%	38%	42%	4%	4%	83%
Respondents aged under 35	245	4%	6%	11%	45%	26%	7%	11%	77%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1481	2%	6%	13%	47%	27%	5%	8%	78%
Respondents aged 65 or over	782	3%	5%	16%	50%	23%	4%	8%	76%
Female respondents	1348	2%	6%	12%	51%	25%	5%	8%	80%
Male respondents	1093	3%	6%	16%	45%	26%	4%	9%	74%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	864	3%	6%	14%	45%	27%	5%	9%	76%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	594	2%	7%	13%	47%	24%	6%	10%	76%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	176	5%	5%	14%	42%	31%	4%	10%	76%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	488	3%	5%	11%	50%	25%	5%	9%	79%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	732	1%	6%	14%	51%	24%	4%	7%	78%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	776	2%	5%	11%	45%	31%	5%	8%	80%

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## Apply a small charge for concessionary travel

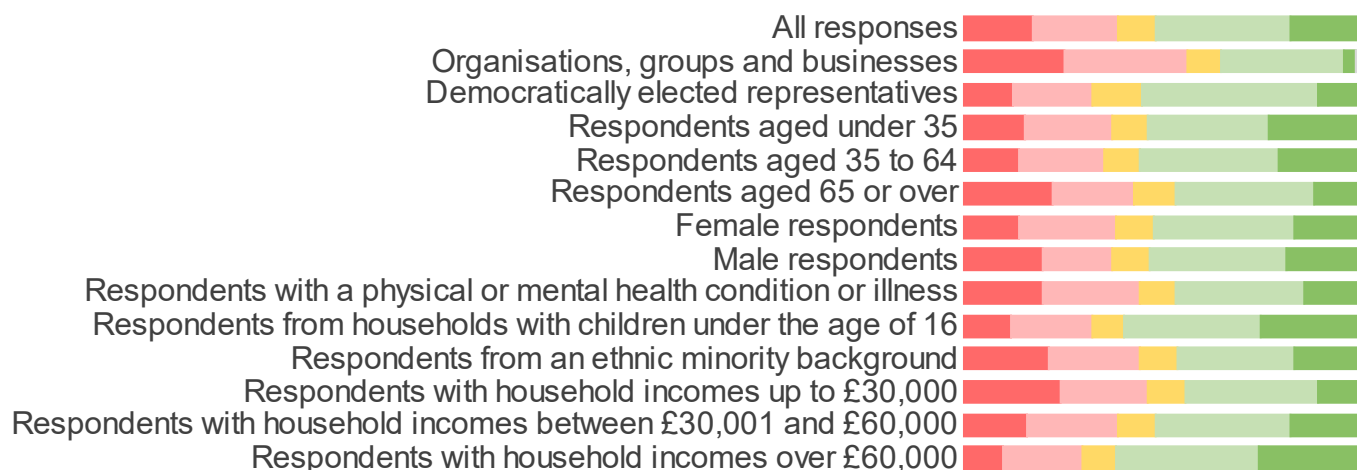
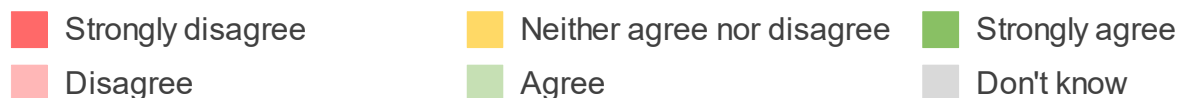


Q: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?

	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2766	14%	18%	12%	36%	18%	2%	33%	55%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	19%	19%	17%	33%	8%	3%	40%	43%
Democratically elected representatives	25	20%	12%	12%	24%	32%	-	32%	56%
Respondents aged under 35	246	13%	22%	11%	32%	19%	2%	36%	52%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1485	10%	17%	12%	39%	20%	2%	28%	60%
Respondents aged 65 or over	785	21%	18%	11%	36%	14%	1%	39%	50%
Female respondents	1352	10%	20%	12%	39%	16%	2%	31%	56%
Male respondents	1096	17%	15%	11%	36%	19%	2%	32%	57%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	868	18%	20%	12%	33%	15%	2%	39%	49%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	599	10%	16%	12%	39%	21%	2%	26%	62%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	176	15%	19%	10%	36%	19%	1%	34%	56%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	489	23%	17%	11%	34%	13%	2%	40%	48%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	733	9%	20%	12%	40%	17%	2%	29%	59%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	780	9%	15%	11%	39%	23%	2%	25%	64%

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## Charge a fee for issuing an Older Person's Bus Pass

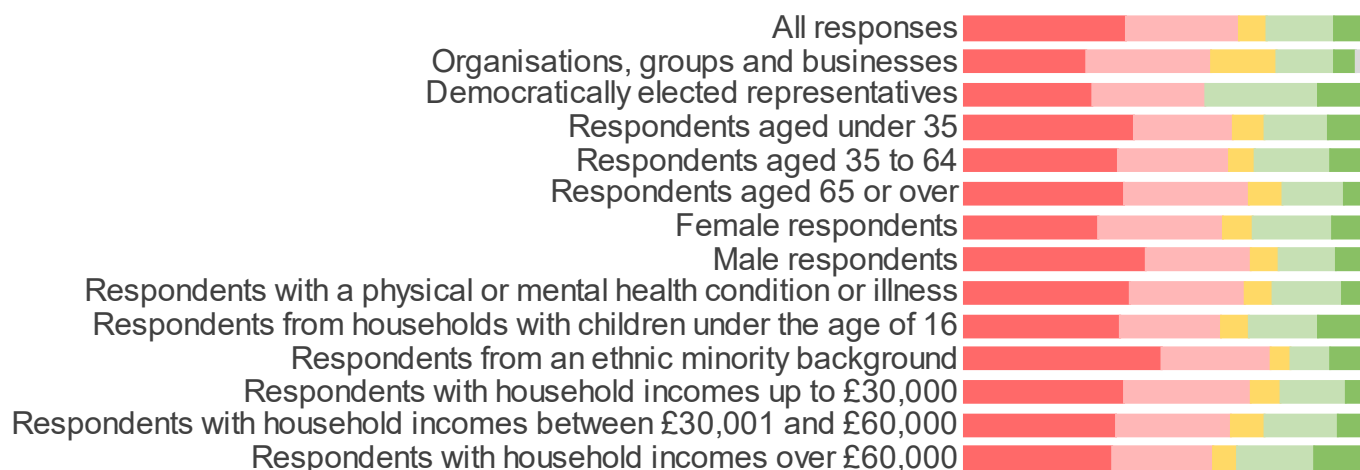
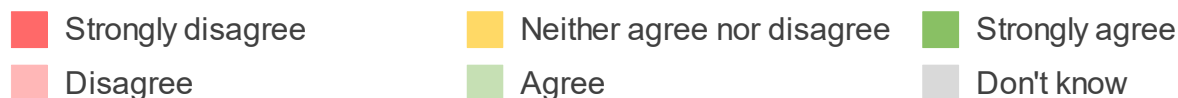


Q: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?

	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2767	17%	21%	10%	34%	18%	1%	39%	52%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	25%	31%	8%	31%	3%	3%	57%	34%
Democratically elected representatives	25	12%	20%	12%	44%	12%	-	32%	56%
Respondents aged under 35	245	15%	22%	9%	30%	23%	1%	37%	54%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1484	13%	21%	9%	35%	20%	1%	35%	56%
Respondents aged 65 or over	789	22%	20%	11%	35%	12%	1%	42%	47%
Female respondents	1349	14%	24%	10%	35%	17%	1%	38%	52%
Male respondents	1101	20%	17%	9%	34%	19%	1%	37%	54%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	868	20%	24%	9%	32%	14%	1%	44%	47%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	599	12%	20%	8%	34%	25%	2%	33%	60%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	177	21%	23%	10%	29%	17%	1%	44%	46%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	491	24%	22%	9%	33%	11%	0%	46%	45%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	735	16%	23%	9%	34%	18%	1%	39%	52%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	777	10%	19%	8%	35%	26%	1%	30%	62%

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## Charge a nominal fee for using household waste recycling centres

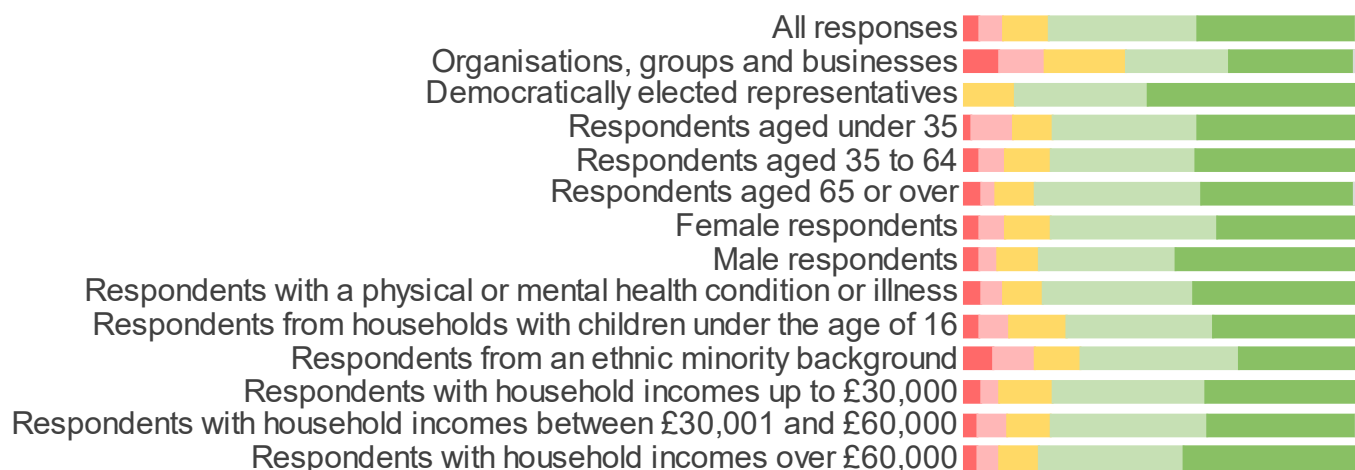
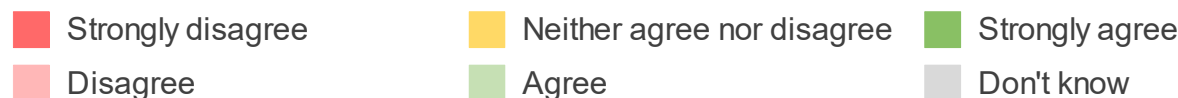


Q: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?

	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2778	40%	28%	7%	17%	8%	0%	68%	24%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	31%	31%	17%	14%	6%	3%	63%	20%
Democratically elected representatives	25	32%	28%	-	28%	12%	-	60%	40%
Respondents aged under 35	246	42%	24%	8%	16%	9%	1%	67%	25%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1492	38%	28%	6%	18%	9%	0%	66%	27%
Respondents aged 65 or over	787	40%	31%	8%	15%	5%	0%	71%	21%
Female respondents	1357	33%	31%	7%	20%	8%	0%	65%	28%
Male respondents	1099	45%	26%	7%	14%	7%	0%	72%	22%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	871	41%	28%	7%	17%	6%	0%	70%	23%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	603	39%	26%	7%	17%	12%	0%	64%	29%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	175	49%	27%	5%	10%	9%	-	76%	19%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	493	40%	32%	7%	16%	5%	0%	72%	21%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	732	38%	28%	8%	19%	6%	0%	66%	25%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	783	37%	25%	6%	20%	13%	0%	62%	32%

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## Increase funding for highway maintenance and major road and structural repairs

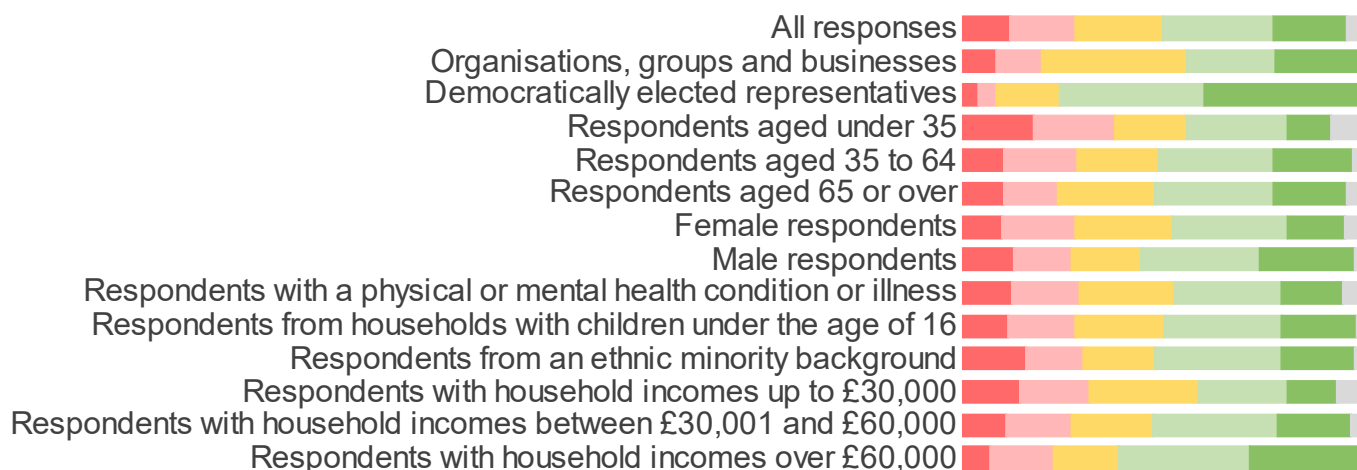
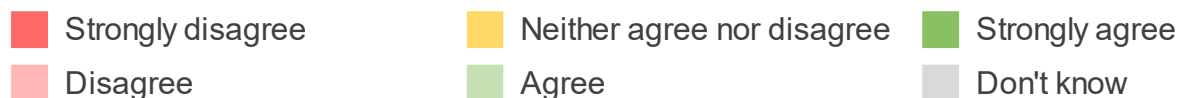


Q: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?

	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2771	4%	6%	11%	37%	40%	2%	10%	79%
Organisations, groups and businesses	35	9%	11%	20%	26%	31%	3%	21%	59%
Democratically elected representatives	24	-	-	13%	33%	54%	-	0%	88%
Respondents aged under 35	247	2%	10%	10%	36%	40%	2%	12%	77%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1486	4%	6%	12%	36%	41%	2%	10%	78%
Respondents aged 65 or over	788	4%	4%	10%	41%	38%	3%	8%	82%
Female respondents	1347	4%	7%	11%	41%	35%	2%	11%	78%
Male respondents	1104	4%	4%	10%	34%	45%	2%	8%	81%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	869	4%	5%	10%	37%	41%	2%	10%	80%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	602	4%	8%	14%	36%	37%	1%	12%	74%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	177	7%	10%	11%	40%	30%	2%	18%	71%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	491	4%	4%	13%	38%	38%	2%	9%	78%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	736	4%	7%	11%	39%	37%	3%	11%	78%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	780	3%	5%	10%	36%	44%	1%	9%	81%

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## Greater Council Tax setting freedoms



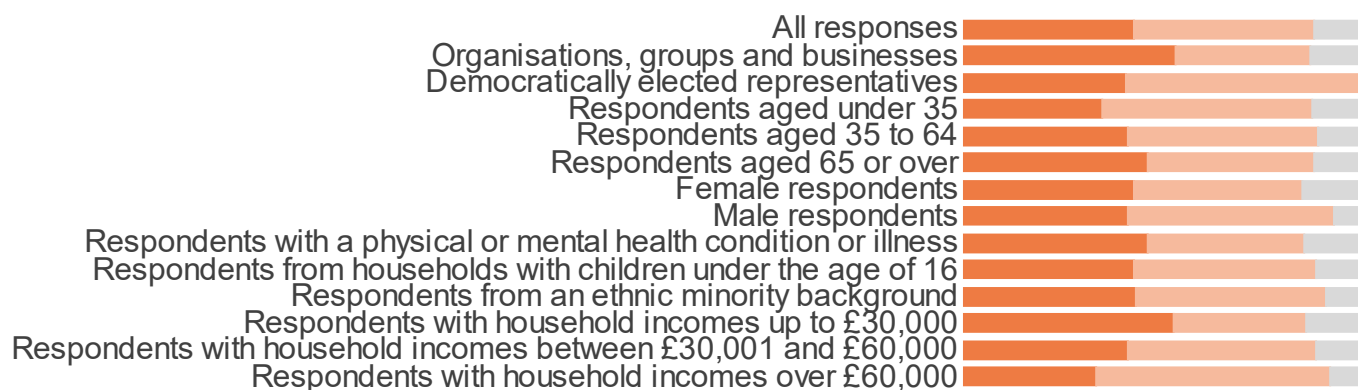
Q: To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should lobby the Government for legislative change in the following areas in order to help maintain local services?

	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2773	12%	16%	22%	28%	18%	4%	29%	48%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	8%	11%	36%	22%	22%	-	19%	44%
Democratically elected representatives	25	4%	4%	16%	36%	40%	-	8%	76%
Respondents aged under 35	246	17%	20%	18%	25%	11%	9%	41%	39%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1488	10%	18%	20%	29%	20%	3%	29%	50%
Respondents aged 65 or over	788	10%	13%	24%	30%	18%	4%	25%	50%
Female respondents	1352	9%	18%	24%	29%	14%	5%	29%	45%
Male respondents	1101	13%	14%	18%	29%	24%	3%	27%	54%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	869	12%	17%	23%	27%	15%	5%	31%	45%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	603	11%	17%	22%	29%	18%	2%	29%	49%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	177	16%	14%	18%	32%	19%	2%	31%	51%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	489	14%	18%	27%	22%	12%	7%	34%	37%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	739	11%	16%	20%	31%	18%	4%	28%	51%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	781	7%	15%	16%	33%	27%	2%	23%	61%

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When considering how the County Council should balance its budget, which ONE of the following two statements is closest to your view about how reserves should be used?

- I think that more reserves should be used to plug the budget gap
- I do not think that reserves should be used to plug the budget gap
- Don't know

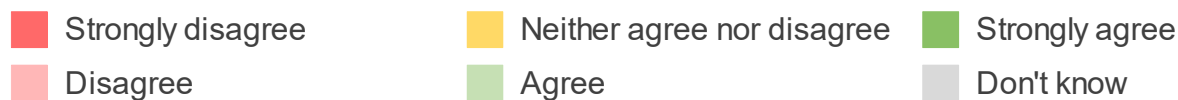


	Base	I think that more reserves should be used to plug the budget gap	I do not think that reserves should be used to plug the budget gap	Don't know
All responses	2787	42%	45%	13%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	53%	33%	14%
Democratically elected representatives	25	40%	60%	-
Respondents aged under 35	245	34%	52%	13%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1494	41%	47%	12%
Respondents aged 65 or over	794	46%	41%	13%
Female respondents	1358	42%	42%	16%
Male respondents	1105	41%	51%	8%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	873	46%	39%	15%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	601	42%	45%	12%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	176	43%	47%	10%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	491	52%	33%	15%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	737	41%	47%	12%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	787	33%	58%	9%



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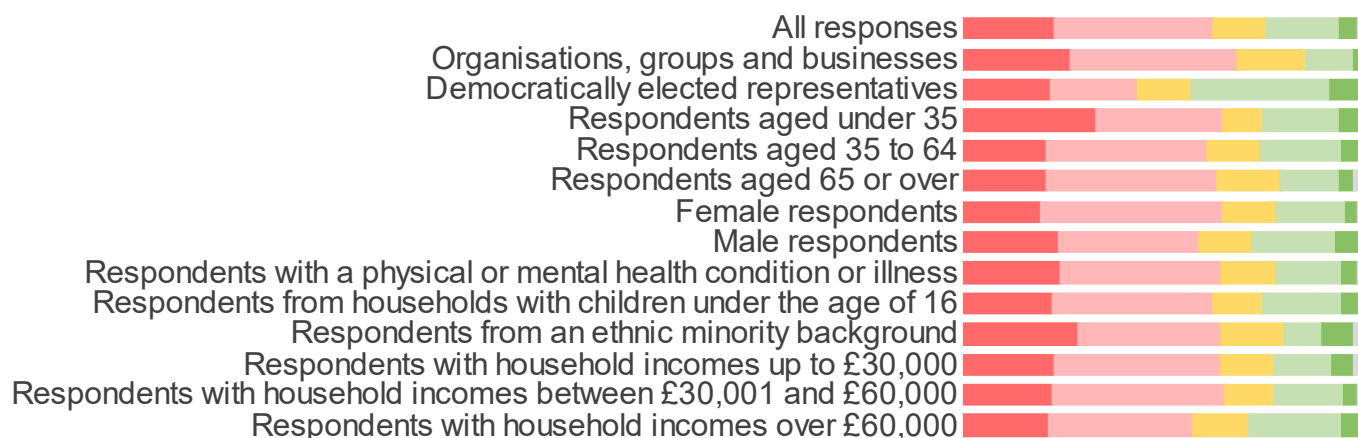
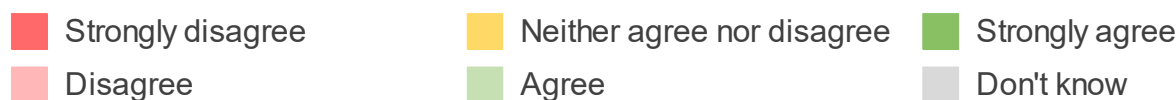
To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should seek to...



	Total	All responses						Excluding 'Don't know'	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
Reduce services in order to contribute to anticipated savings?	2663	23%	39%	13%	18%	5%	2%	63%	23%
Change services in order to contribute to anticipated savings?	2765	7%	10%	14%	54%	14%	2%	17%	69%

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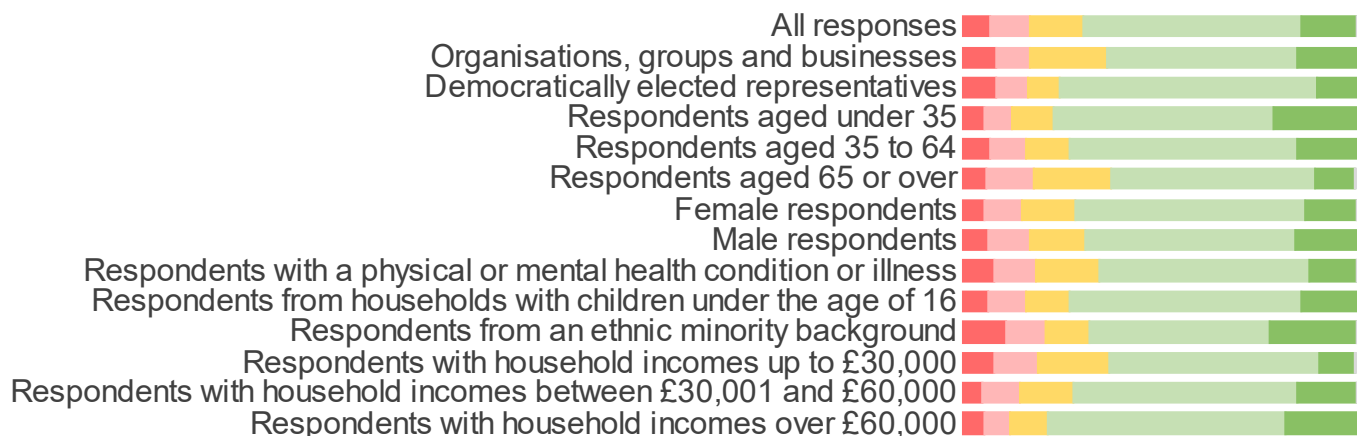
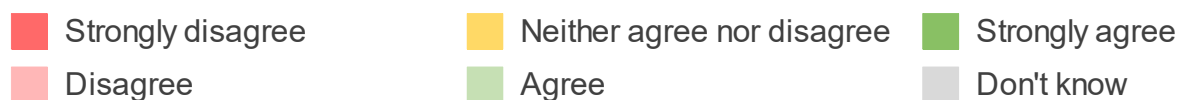
To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should seek to reduce services in order to contribute to anticipated savings?



	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2663	23%	39%	13%	18%	5%	2%	63%	23%
Organisations, groups and businesses	34	26%	41%	18%	12%	3%	-	68%	15%
Democratically elected representatives	23	22%	22%	13%	35%	9%	-	43%	43%
Respondents aged under 35	246	33%	32%	10%	19%	5%	1%	65%	25%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1435	21%	40%	13%	20%	5%	1%	61%	25%
Respondents aged 65 or over	743	21%	43%	16%	15%	4%	3%	65%	19%
Female respondents	1287	19%	45%	14%	17%	3%	2%	66%	21%
Male respondents	1069	23%	35%	13%	20%	6%	1%	59%	27%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	839	24%	40%	14%	16%	4%	2%	65%	20%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	590	22%	40%	12%	20%	4%	2%	63%	25%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	166	28%	36%	16%	10%	8%	3%	66%	18%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	462	23%	41%	13%	14%	6%	3%	66%	21%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	706	22%	43%	12%	17%	4%	2%	66%	21%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	759	21%	36%	14%	23%	5%	1%	57%	29%

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To what extent do you agree or disagree that the County Council should seek to change services in order to contribute to anticipated savings?



	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2765	7%	10%	14%	54%	14%	2%	17%	69%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	8%	8%	19%	47%	17%	-	17%	64%
Democratically elected representatives	25	8%	8%	8%	64%	12%	-	16%	76%
Respondents aged under 35	248	5%	7%	10%	54%	22%	1%	12%	77%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1486	7%	9%	11%	57%	15%	2%	16%	73%
Respondents aged 65 or over	780	6%	12%	19%	51%	10%	3%	18%	62%
Female respondents	1355	5%	9%	14%	57%	13%	2%	15%	71%
Male respondents	1094	6%	10%	14%	52%	16%	2%	17%	69%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	866	8%	10%	16%	53%	12%	2%	18%	66%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	602	6%	9%	10%	58%	15%	1%	16%	73%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	174	11%	10%	11%	45%	21%	2%	21%	68%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	483	8%	11%	18%	52%	9%	2%	19%	63%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	736	5%	9%	13%	56%	15%	2%	14%	72%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	780	6%	6%	9%	59%	19%	1%	12%	79%

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Please indicate which of the following three options is your first, second, and third preference for the next two years:

First choice
  Second choice
  Third choice

To raise Council Tax by less than 4.99% per year



To raise Council Tax by 4.99% per year



To raise Council Tax by more than 4.99% per year  
(which would require a referendum)

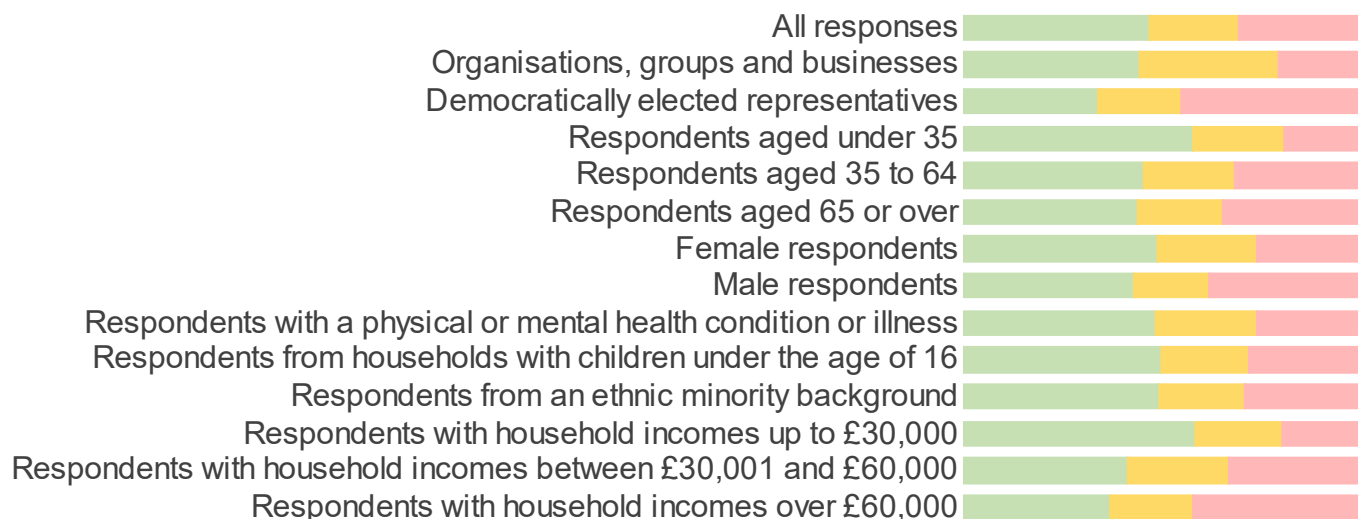


	Total	First choice	Second choice	Third choice
To raise Council Tax by less than 4.99% per year	2690	46%	22%	32%
To raise Council Tax by 4.99% per year	2678	38%	61%	2%
To raise Council Tax by more than 4.99% per year (which would require a referendum)	2645	18%	16%	65%

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To raise Council Tax by less than 4.99% per year

■ First choice    
 ■ Second choice    
 ■ Third choice



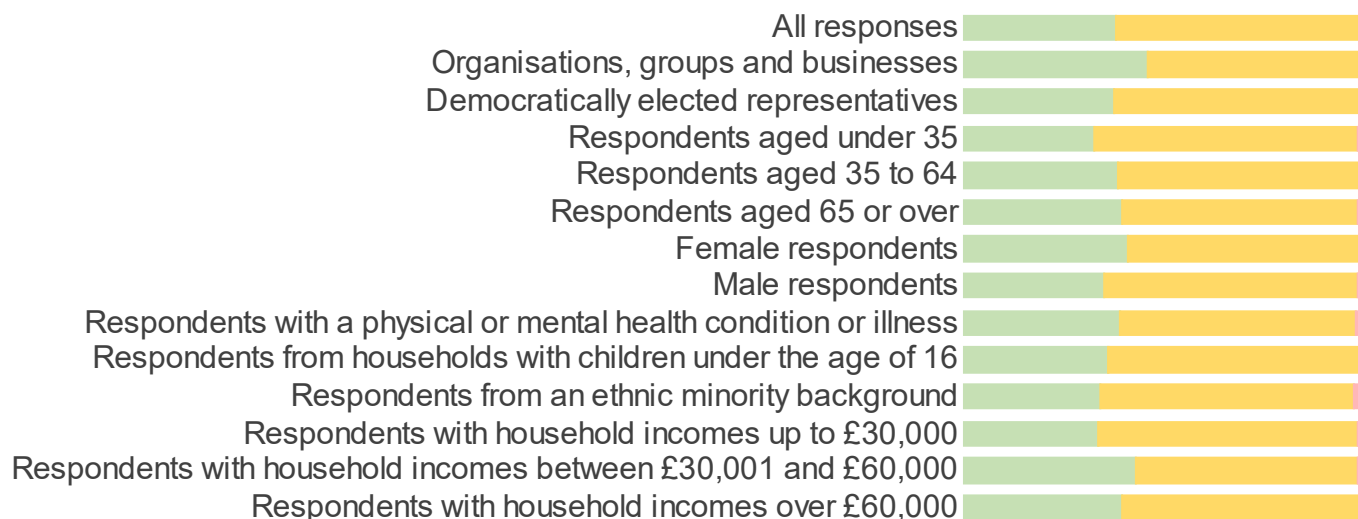
Q: Please indicate which of the following three options is your first, second, and third preference for the next two years

	Base	First choice	Second choice	Third choice
All responses	2690	46%	22%	32%
Organisations, groups and businesses	32	44%	34%	22%
Democratically elected representatives	24	33%	21%	46%
Respondents aged under 35	243	57%	23%	20%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1455	45%	22%	33%
Respondents aged 65 or over	756	43%	21%	36%
Female respondents	1318	48%	25%	27%
Male respondents	1070	42%	19%	39%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	843	48%	25%	27%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	587	49%	21%	29%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	171	49%	21%	30%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	475	58%	22%	21%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	718	41%	25%	34%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	769	36%	21%	43%

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To raise Council Tax by 4.99% per year

■ First choice    
 ■ Second choice    
 ■ Third choice



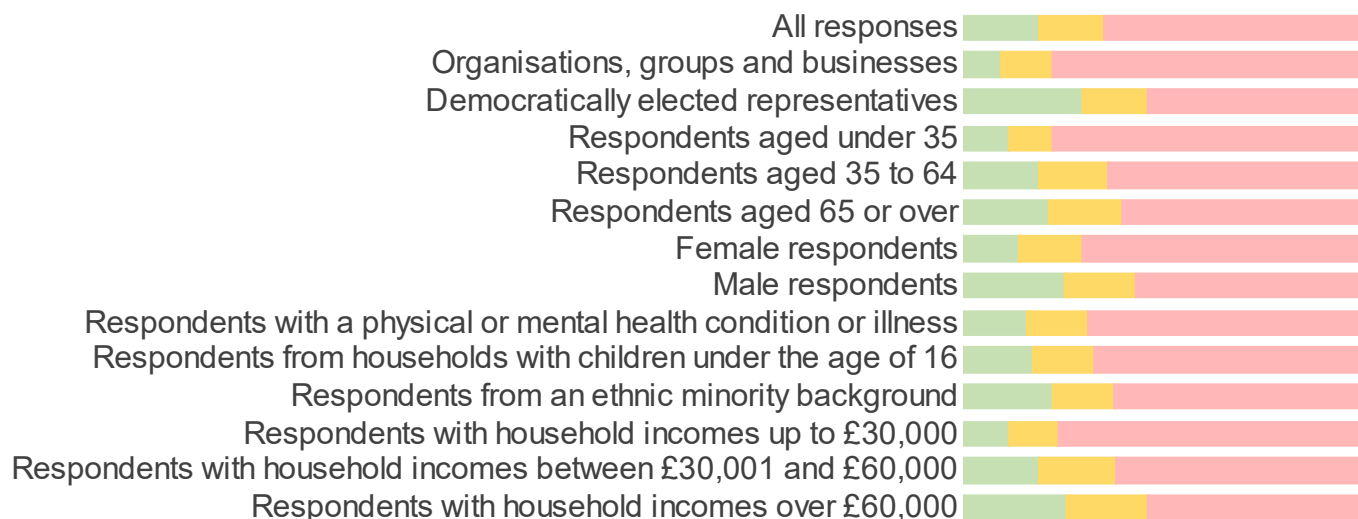
Q: Please indicate which of the following three options is your first, second, and third preference for the next two years

	Base	First choice	Second choice	Third choice
All responses	2678	38%	61%	2%
Organisations, groups and businesses	35	46%	54%	-
Democratically elected representatives	24	38%	63%	-
Respondents aged under 35	243	33%	65%	2%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1446	38%	60%	1%
Respondents aged 65 or over	756	39%	59%	2%
Female respondents	1314	41%	58%	1%
Male respondents	1065	35%	63%	2%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	838	39%	59%	2%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	582	36%	63%	2%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	165	34%	63%	3%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	472	33%	64%	2%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	721	43%	55%	2%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	772	39%	60%	1%

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To raise Council Tax by more than 4.99% per year (which would require a referendum)

■ First choice    
 ■ Second choice    
 ■ Third choice

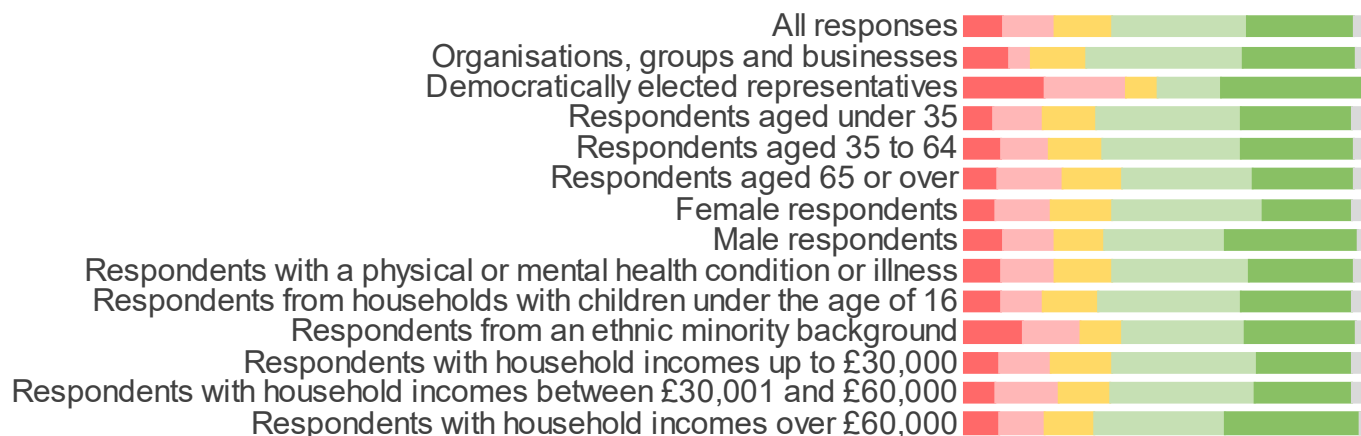
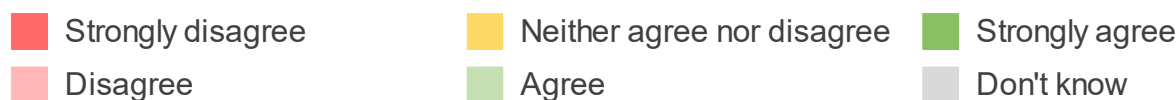


Q: Please indicate which of the following three options is your first, second, and third preference for the next two years

	Base	First choice	Second choice	Third choice
All responses	2645	18%	16%	65%
Organisations, groups and businesses	32	9%	13%	78%
Democratically elected representatives	24	29%	17%	54%
Respondents aged under 35	243	11%	11%	78%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1435	18%	17%	64%
Respondents aged 65 or over	747	21%	19%	61%
Female respondents	1288	14%	16%	70%
Male respondents	1067	25%	18%	57%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	828	16%	15%	69%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	578	17%	15%	67%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	163	22%	15%	63%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	464	11%	13%	76%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	712	19%	19%	62%
Respondents with household incomes over £60,000	771	26%	20%	54%

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To what extent do you agree that the County Council should explore further the possibility of changing local government structures in Hampshire?



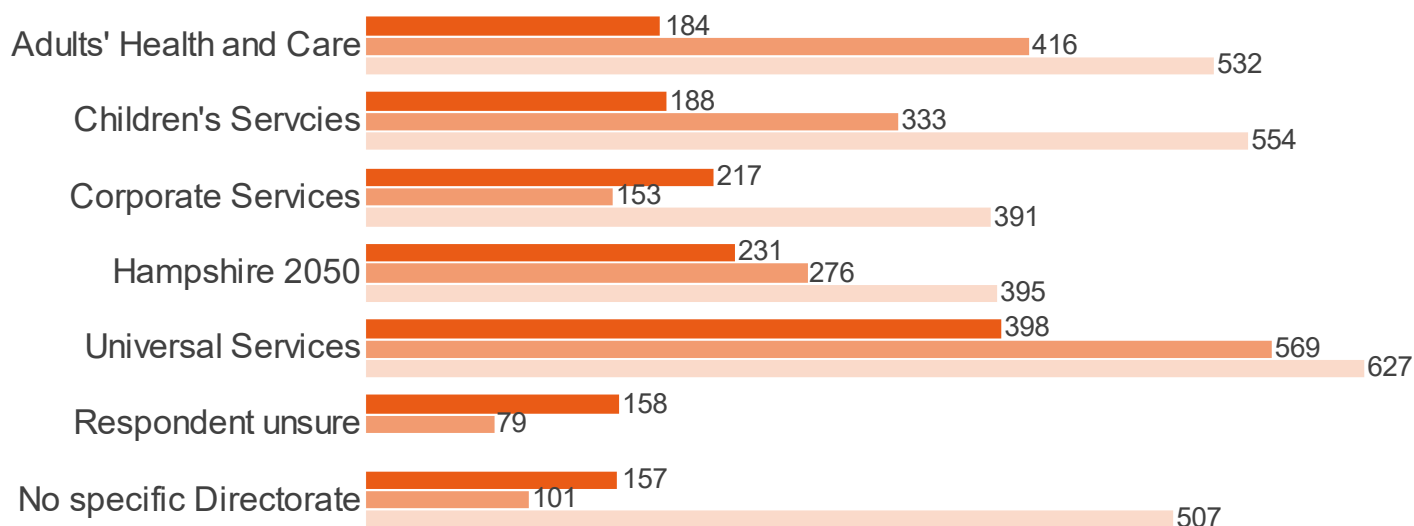
	Base	All responses						Excluding "Don't know"	
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Disagree overall	Agree overall
All responses	2761	10%	13%	14%	34%	27%	3%	23%	62%
Organisations, groups and businesses	36	11%	6%	14%	39%	28%	3%	17%	69%
Democratically elected representatives	25	20%	20%	8%	16%	36%	-	40%	52%
Respondents aged under 35	248	7%	12%	13%	36%	27%	4%	20%	66%
Respondents aged 35 to 64	1476	9%	12%	13%	35%	28%	3%	22%	65%
Respondents aged 65 or over	788	8%	16%	15%	32%	25%	3%	25%	59%
Female respondents	1347	8%	14%	15%	38%	22%	3%	22%	62%
Male respondents	1097	10%	13%	12%	30%	33%	2%	23%	65%
Respondents with a physical or mental health condition or illness	869	9%	13%	14%	34%	26%	3%	23%	62%
Respondents from households with children under the age of 16	593	9%	10%	14%	35%	28%	3%	20%	65%
Respondents from an ethnic minority background	176	15%	14%	10%	31%	27%	3%	30%	60%
Respondents with household incomes up to £30,000	488	9%	13%	16%	36%	23%	4%	22%	62%
Respondents with household incomes between £30,001 and £60,000	732	8%	16%	13%	36%	24%	4%	24%	62%
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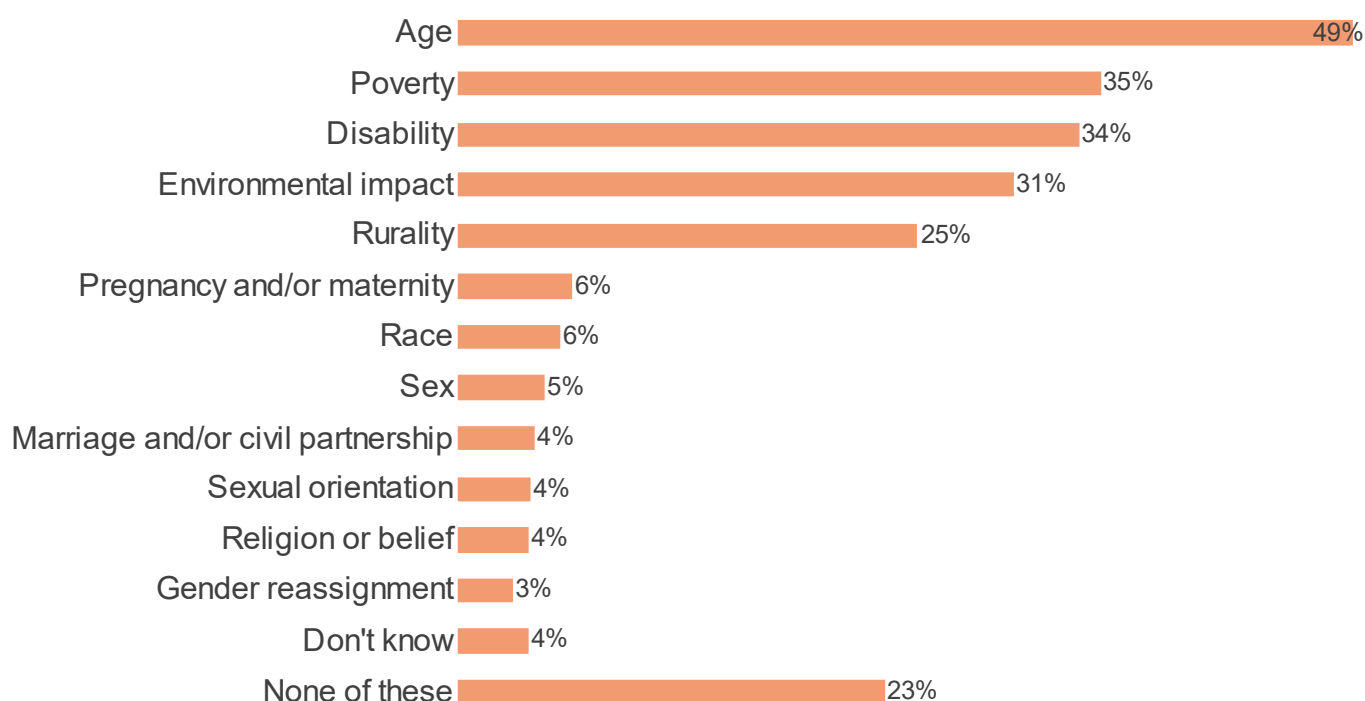
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Directorate-specific mentions of potential income sources, potential impacts, and further comments and suggestions (multi code, base: 2973 comments across three open ended questions)

- Suggestions for ways to generate income
- Service areas potentially impacted by proposed changes
- Service areas addressed in further comments and suggestions



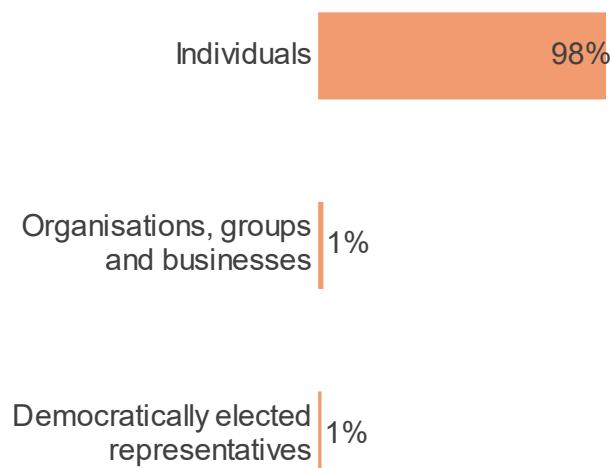
## Characteristics reported to be impacted by proposed changes (multi code, base: 892 comments)



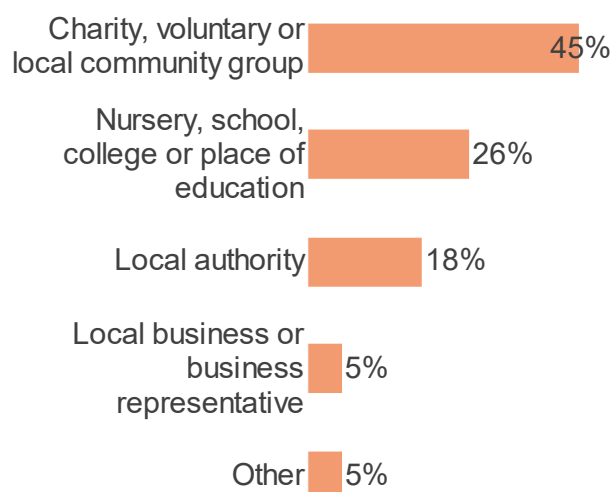
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## Respondent profile

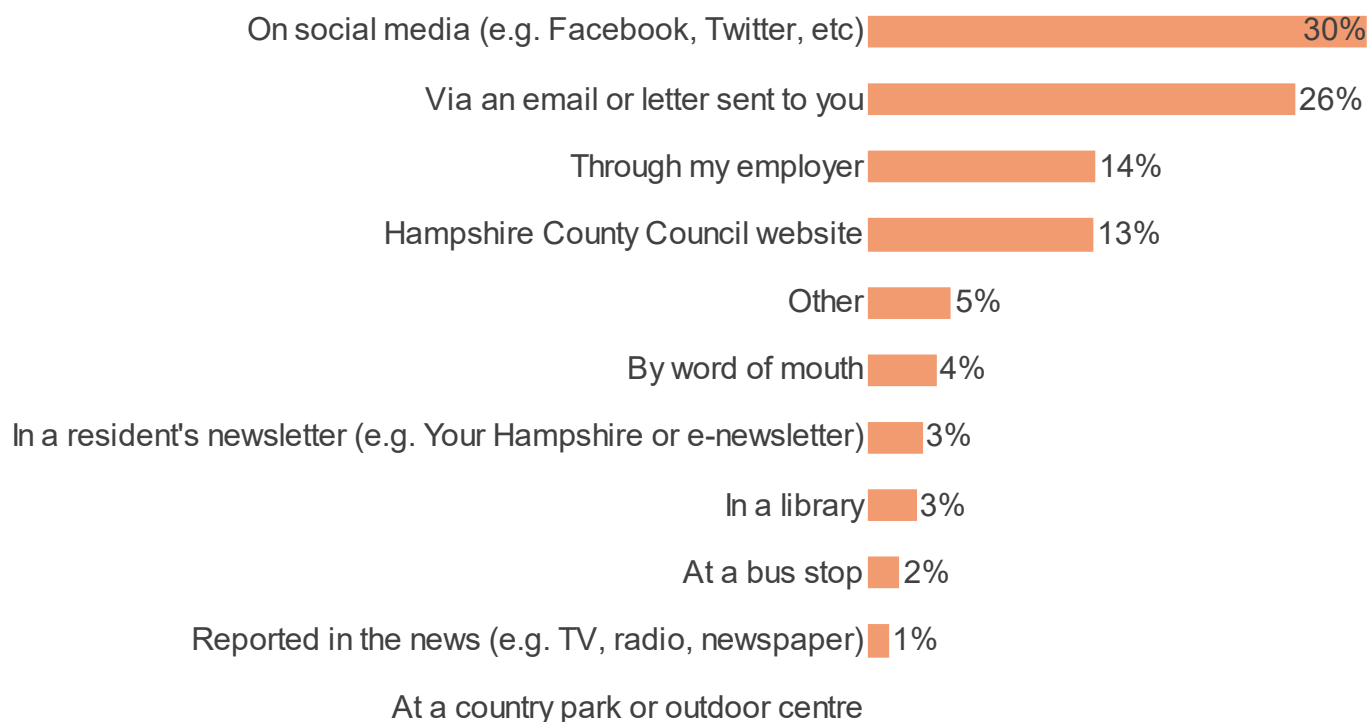
### Response types (base: 2806)



### Types of organisations that have responded (base: 38)



### How respondents heard about the consultation (base: 2718)

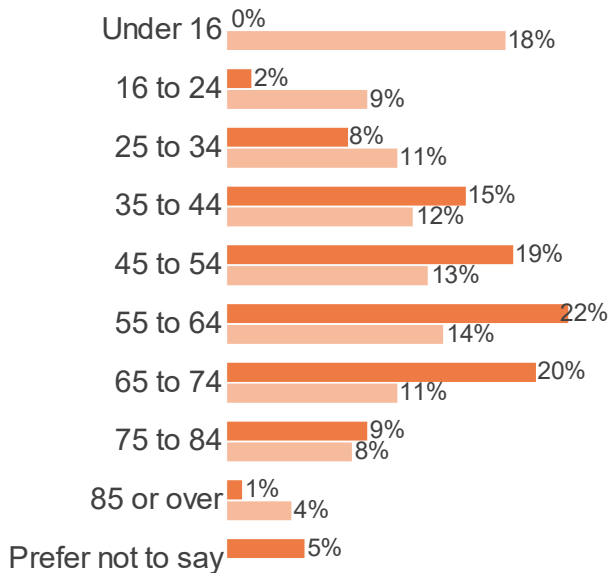


The following pages show the profile of those who responded in a personal capacity.

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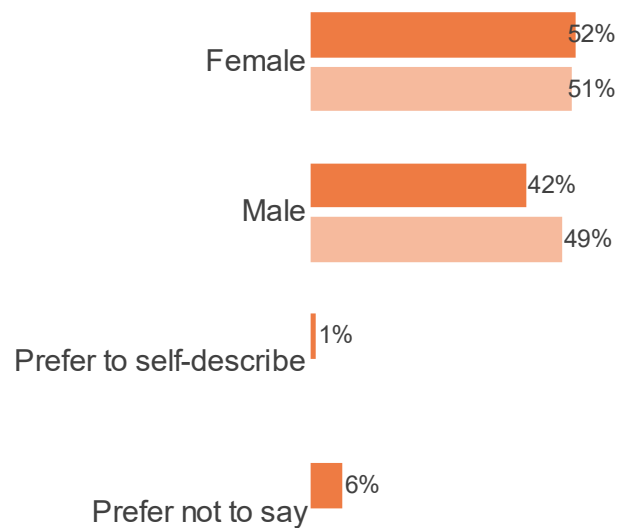
## Respondent age profile (base: 2674)

■ Consultation respondents  
■ Hampshire population (ONS 2022 data)



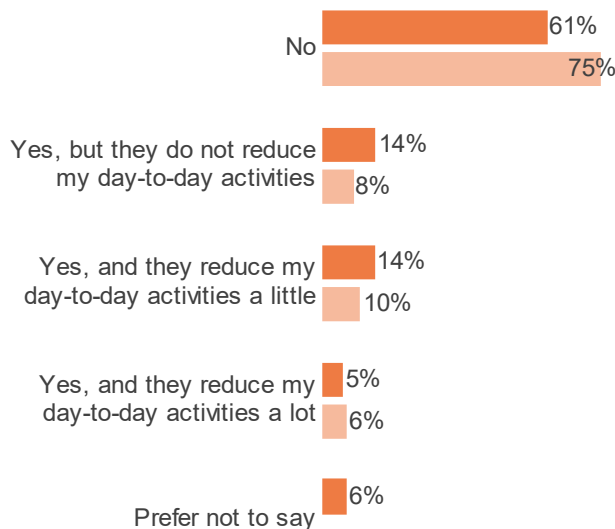
## Respondent gender profile (base: 2639)

■ Consultation respondents  
■ Hampshire population (Census 2021 data)

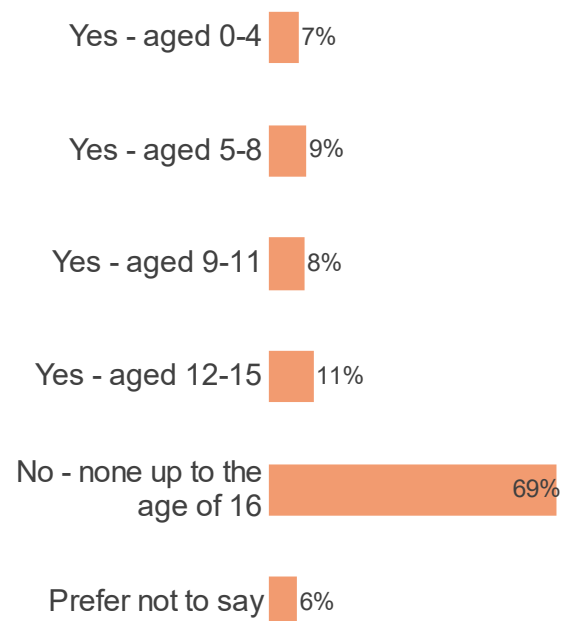


*Please note: Census data only includes 'female' and 'male' options*

## Do you have any physical or mental health conditions or illnesses lasting or expected to last 12 months or more? (base: 2651)



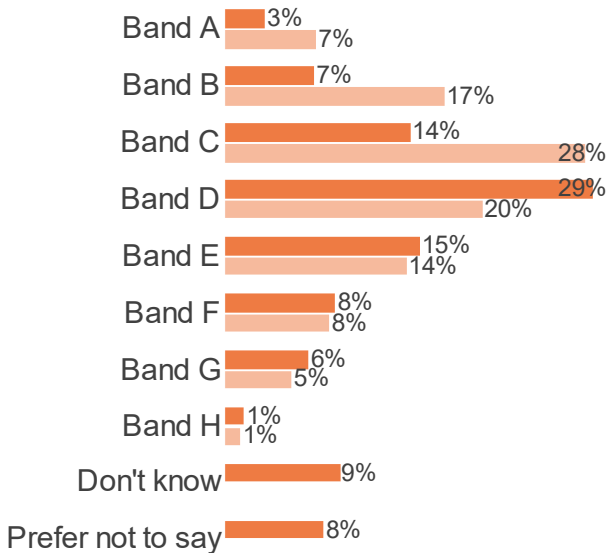
## Presence of children in respondents' households (Multi code, base: 2429)



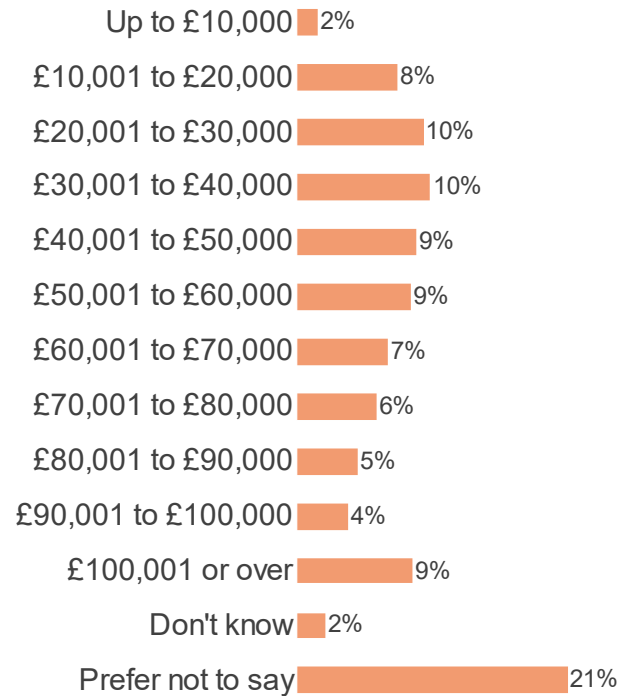
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## Respondent Council Tax band profile (base: 2697)

■ Consultation respondents  
■ Hampshire households (2022 stock of properties)

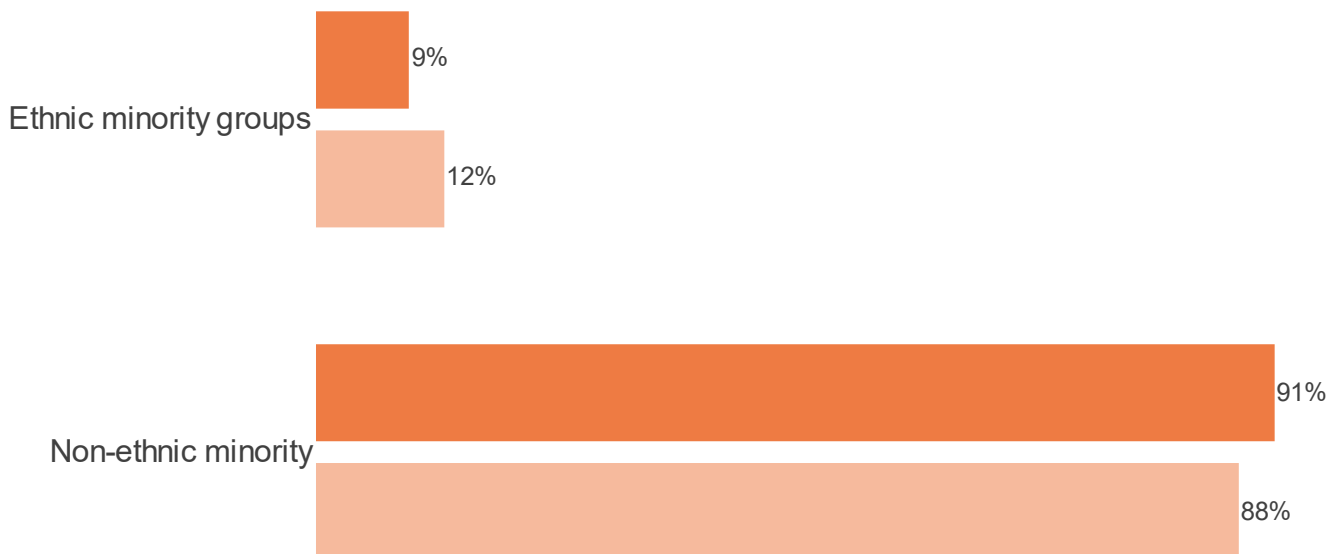


## Household income profile (base: 2625)



## Respondent ethnic categorisation profile (base: 2426)

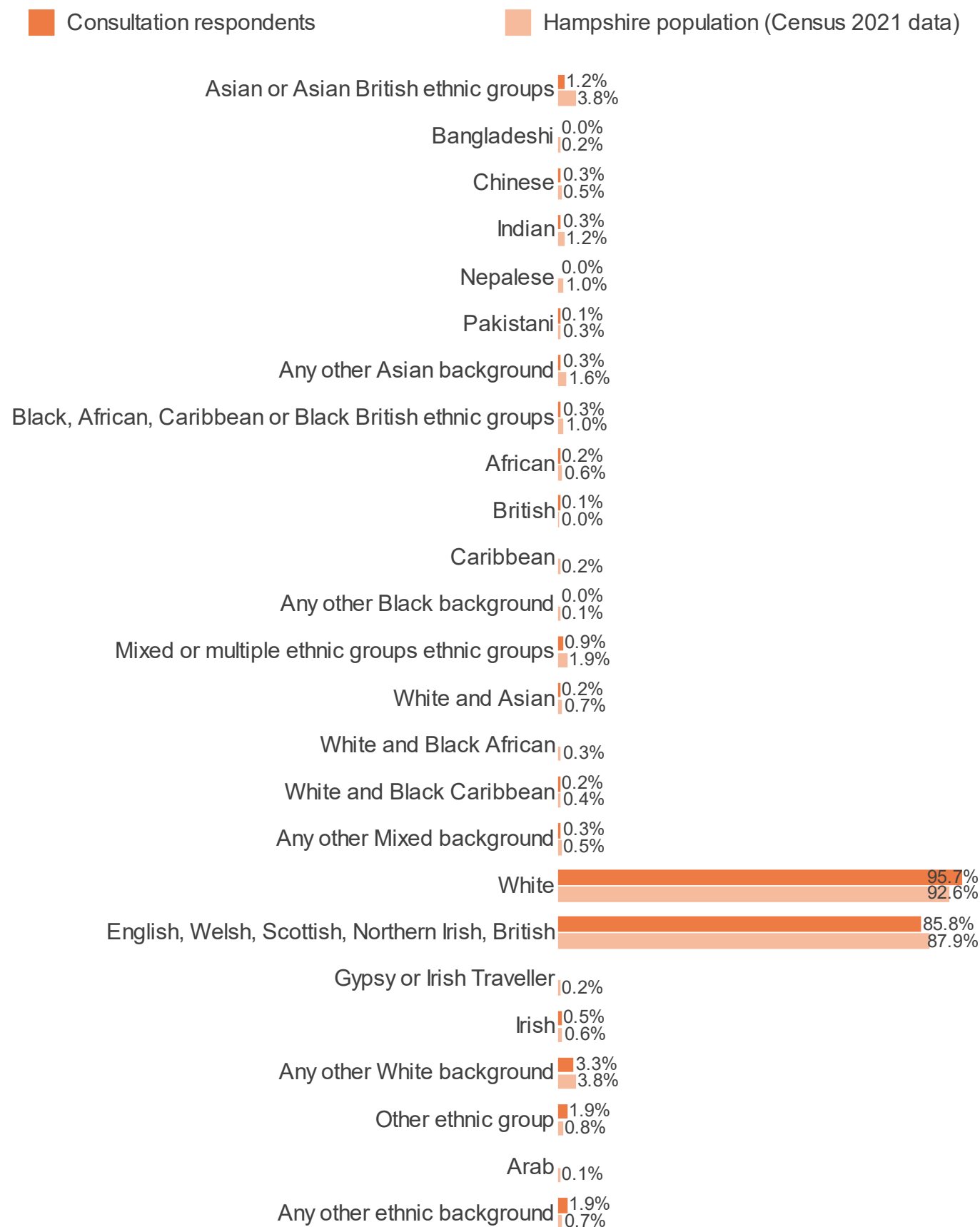
■ Consultation respondents  
■ Hampshire population (Census 2021 data)



*A detailed profile of respondents' ethnicity is shown on the next page*

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## Respondent ethnic profile (base: 2585)



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## Hampshire County Council services used by respondents in the previous year (Base: 2714)

