

MANOR ROAD COMMUNITY WOODLAND CONSULTATION REPORT AND ACTION PLAN



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Executive Summary

Bath and North East Somerset Council (B&NES) aim to implement a series of capital improvement works at Manor Road Community Woodland in Keynsham using Section 106 funding.

To aid the decision-making process, public consultation was undertaken from May to July 2023. An ecological survey and accessibility audit were also carried out to identify measures to improve the woodlands' biodiversity, as well as its accessibility for people with mobility and sensory impairments.

Public feedback combined with the ecological and accessibility recommendations has enabled key actions to be determined and a level of priority allocated to them. These key actions are summarised as follows:

Pathways

- Improvements within Area A.
- Creating an accessible route incorporating Area A improvements. Potentially create a circular route around the wildflower meadow area and pond.
- Improvements within Area C.

Gateways

- Repair Gates 5 and 9.
- Consider removal of gates not adjacent to Manor Road i.e., Gate 1 and Gate 10.
- Dependent on the above, improve the accessibility of Gate 1 as the Windrush Road/Minsmere Road car park provides the most accessible parking for wheelchair/mobility scooter users.
- Improve the accessibility of other gates/entrances where appropriate. Consider installing radar keys to aid the operation of bridle gates for disabled users.

Seating/resting places

- Install new seating in the wildflower meadow area and at access point 1/2 (within the woodland boundary).
- Install new seating next to the pond.
- Install new seating in the area south of Manor Road.

Signage

- Update existing signage and maps.
- Consider new locations for signs to provide more information on wildlife and nature, to promote courteous behaviour and to aid wayfinding.

Nature/biodiversity

- Install the new ponds and scrub habitat as set out within the Ecologists' recommendations.

- Explore other measures to encourage greater biodiversity.

Natural play

- Explore opportunities to incorporate natural play/play on the way facilities using the natural environment.

Activities/events

- Organise nature trails and practical volunteering opportunities.

Maintenance

- Develop a new maintenance plan for the wildflower meadow and existing pond and implement associated improvements.

1. Introduction

Background

Bath & North East Somerset Council (B&NES) has secured Section 106 funding to be spent on a series of capital improvement works at Manor Road Community Woodland, which is designated as a Local Nature Reserve (LNR) and lies on the eastern edge of Keynsham, close to the village of Salford. The main purpose of the improvement works is to increase the woodland's resilience to an expected increase in footfall from new residential developments in the surrounding areas.

The consultation

The consultation was held between 15th May 2023 and 14th July 2023, consisting of an online questionnaire and drop-in session.

The main aims of the consultation were as follows:

- To understand who uses the woodland, how frequently and for what purposes,
- To identify current issues and aspirations, and
- To receive feedback on suggested improvements set out by the B&NES Parks Department.

In order to achieve these aims, the consultation was targeted at woodland users and any other interested parties. It was promoted across the following platforms:

- B&NES parks projects webpage, press release and social media,
- Keynsham Voice article and social media,
- Midsummer Norton Journal,
- Somerset Live,
- The Week In magazine,
- Salford Community Association social media,
- Keynsham Library interactive board,
- Foxglove Forest School social media, and
- Flyers (installed at woodland entrance points and notice boards, and shared with the Friends of Manor Road Community Woodland Group and Keynsham Salford Dog Walkers Group).

The questionnaire

The B&NES Parks Department designed a questionnaire and hosted it on their online consultation portal. It was also available in hard copy format on request. The questionnaire included a range of closed and open questions; the former enabling one or more listed responses to be selected, and the latter enabling free-text responses. The questionnaire was split into five sections:

- Current usage and issues,
- Potential improvements,

- Spending priorities,
- Friends of Manor Road Community Woodland, and
- Equality Monitoring.

For the open questions, the full set of responses can be provided upon request. The pictures and guidance text provided throughout the questionnaire to aid respondents are provided in Appendix A.

Drop-in session

The B&NES Parks Department and Foxglove Forest School held a drop-in session at the wildflower meadow in the woodland on Sunday 21st May 2023 between 12 - 2pm. To prompt discussion, maps of the woodland, photos of natural play within green spaces and feedback forms were used. To demonstrate the benefits of natural play, Foxglove Forest School ran a series of activities for families.

Analysis and reporting

200 respondents completed the online questionnaire. For each closed question, a visual graph or chart has been provided followed by a short paragraph to summarise the main findings.

For each open question of the questionnaire, the key themes have been identified based on how frequently they were mentioned within the comments.

Due to how the questionnaire was assembled within the B&NES consultation portal, it has not been possible to identify the response rate for questions where the respondent could select multiple options: Questions 5, 6, 8, 11 and 20.

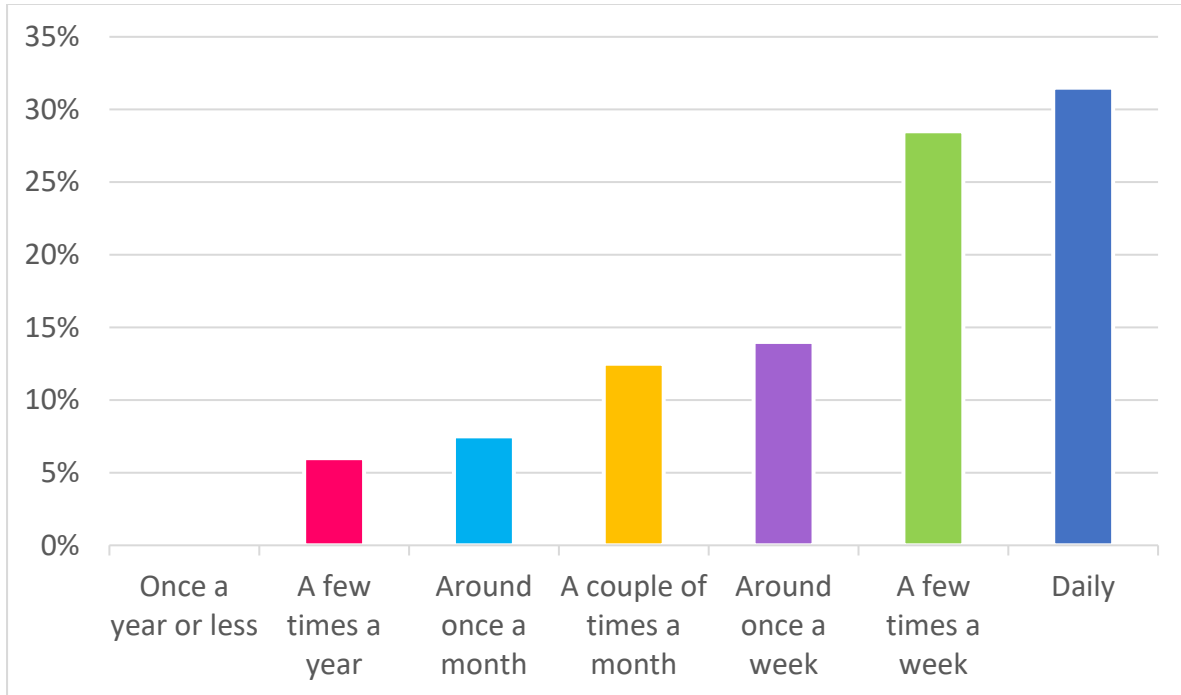
Throughout the report, percentages are stated to the nearest whole percentage.

2. Findings

Questionnaire

Question 1 - How often do you visit Manor Road Community Woodland?

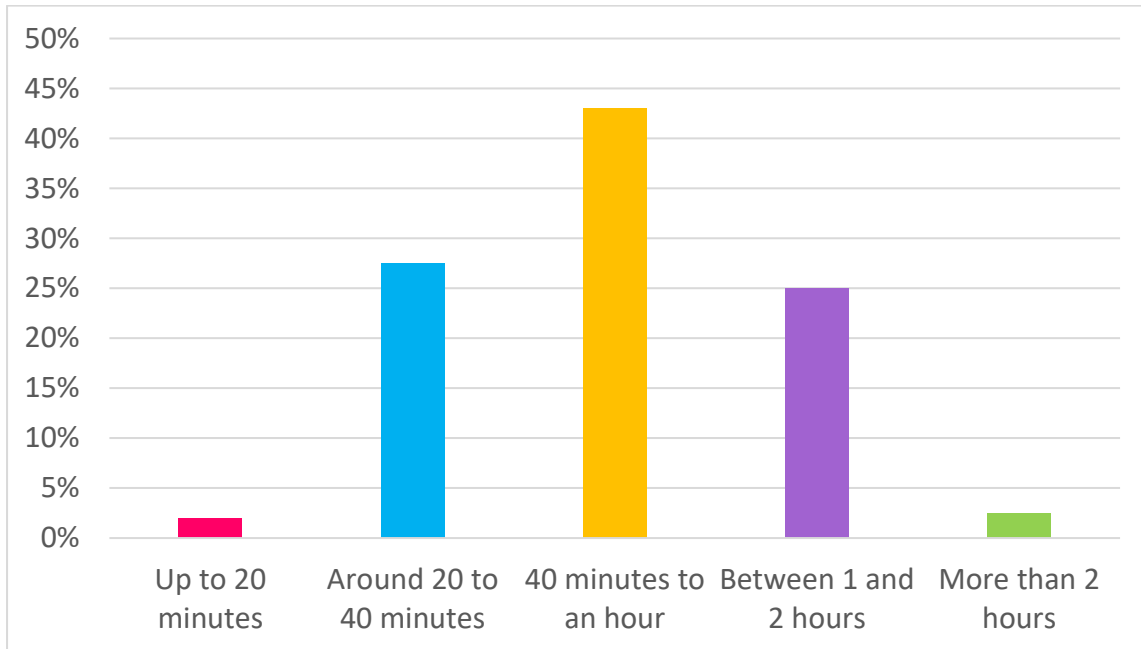
Response rate - 100%



74% of respondents visit the woodland regularly; with 32% visiting daily, 29% visiting a few times a week and 14% visiting once a week. 20% of respondents visit on a monthly basis, either once or a couple of times a month. Only 6% of respondents visit a few times a year, and no respondents visit as infrequently as once a year or less.

Question 2 - How long do you usually spend at the woodland?

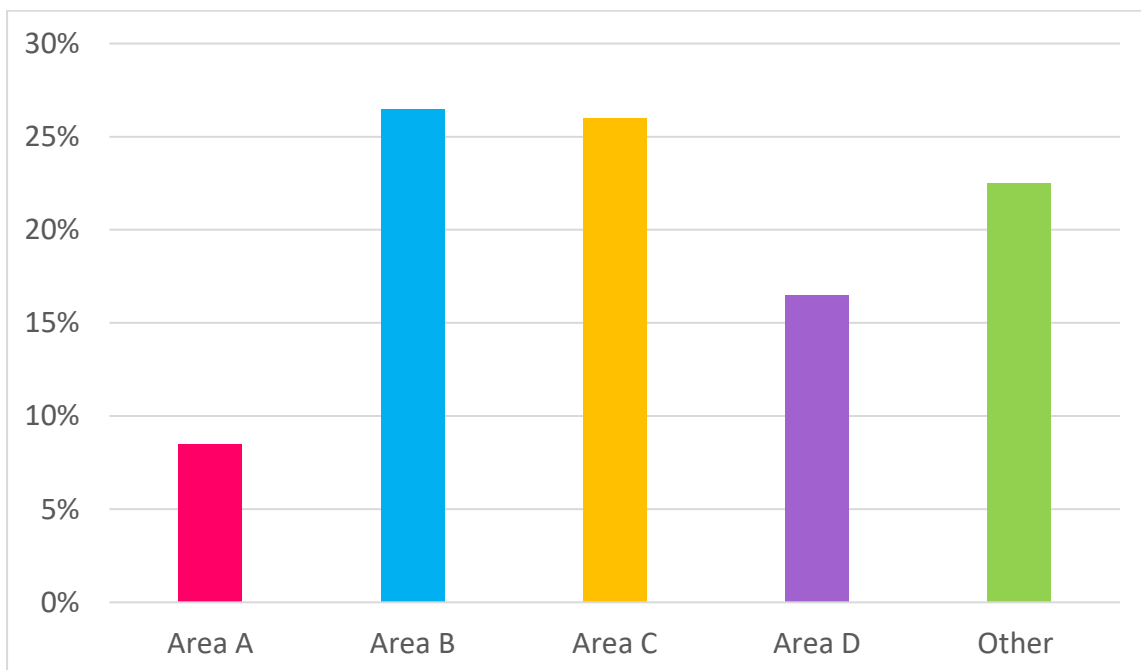
Response rate - 100%



Just under half of respondents visit the woodland for 40 minutes to an hour. Roughly the same number of respondents spend between 20 to 40 minutes in the woodland and between 1 to 2 hours in the woodland, at 28% and 25% respectively. Only 2% of respondents visit for up to 20 minutes, and 3% for more than 2 hours.

Question 3 - Which area of the woodland do you usually spend most time in?

Response rate - 100%





Area B and Area C were identified as the most popular areas of the woodland, receiving 27% and 26% of responses respectively. Area A is the least popular area as it received just 9% of responses. Area D lies in between with 17% of responses.

23% of respondents selected 'Other', with the areas of the woodland they usually spend most time in identified as follows in order of popularity:

- All areas,
- Areas A, B and C,
- Areas B, C and D, and
- Areas B and C.

Comments box - If you usually spend time in more than one area, please tell us more:

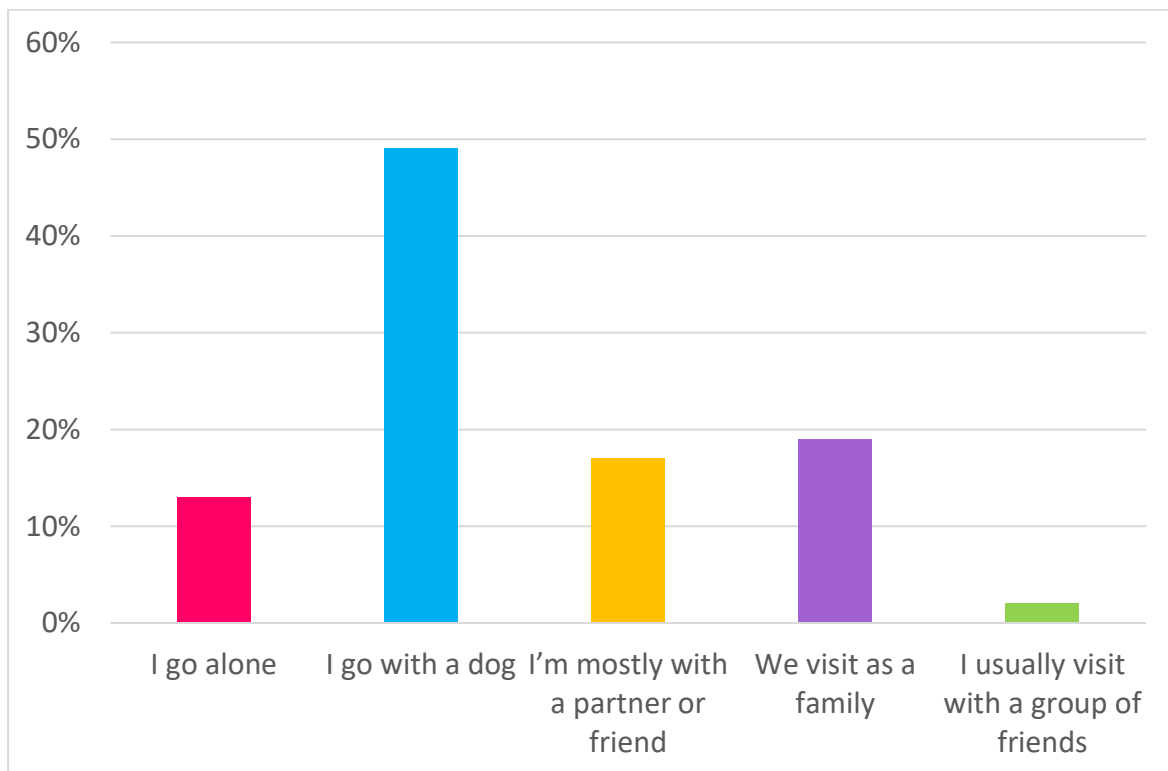
Response rate - 77.5%

Just under half of the respondents spend time in all areas, with just over half using a combination of two or three areas.

Overall, based on the main question and the associated comments boxes, it can be determined that respondents typically spend time in all areas or two/three areas of the woodland, with Area B or Area C being the most popular areas for shorter visits.

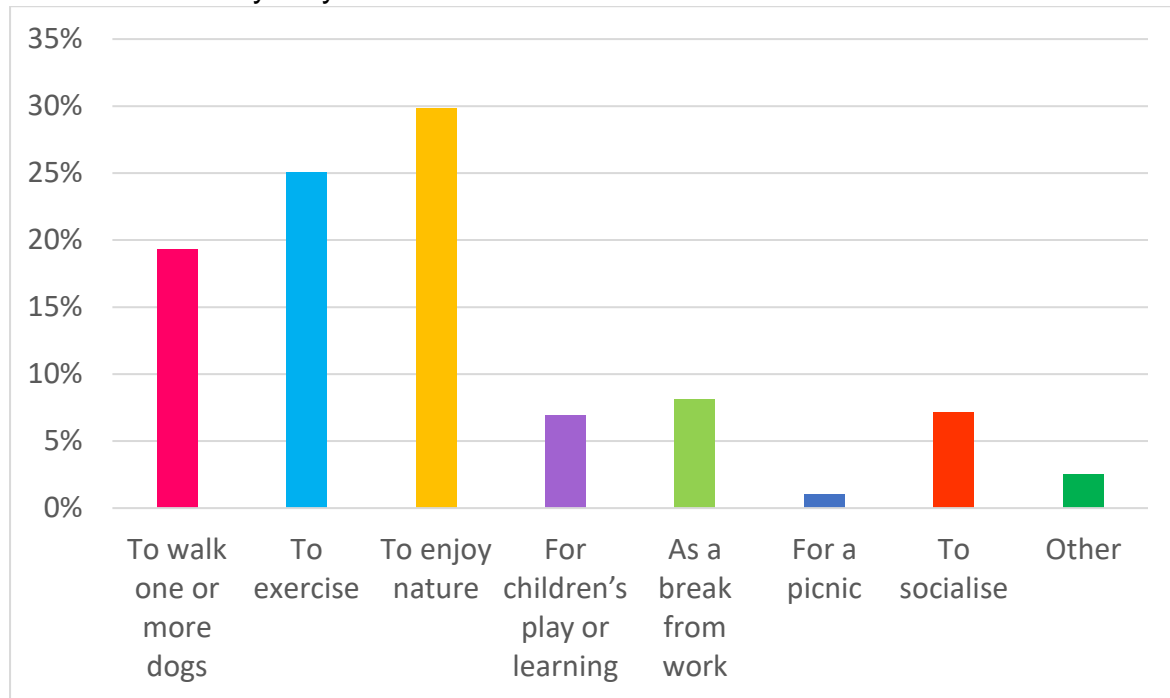
Question 4 - Who usually goes with you, when you visit the woodland?

Response rate - 100%



Most respondents attend the woodland with a dog at 49%. 19% of respondents visit as a family, with 17% visiting mostly with a partner or friend. 13% of respondents spend time in the woodland alone and only 2% of respondents usually visit with a group of friends.

Question 5 - Why do you visit the woodland?

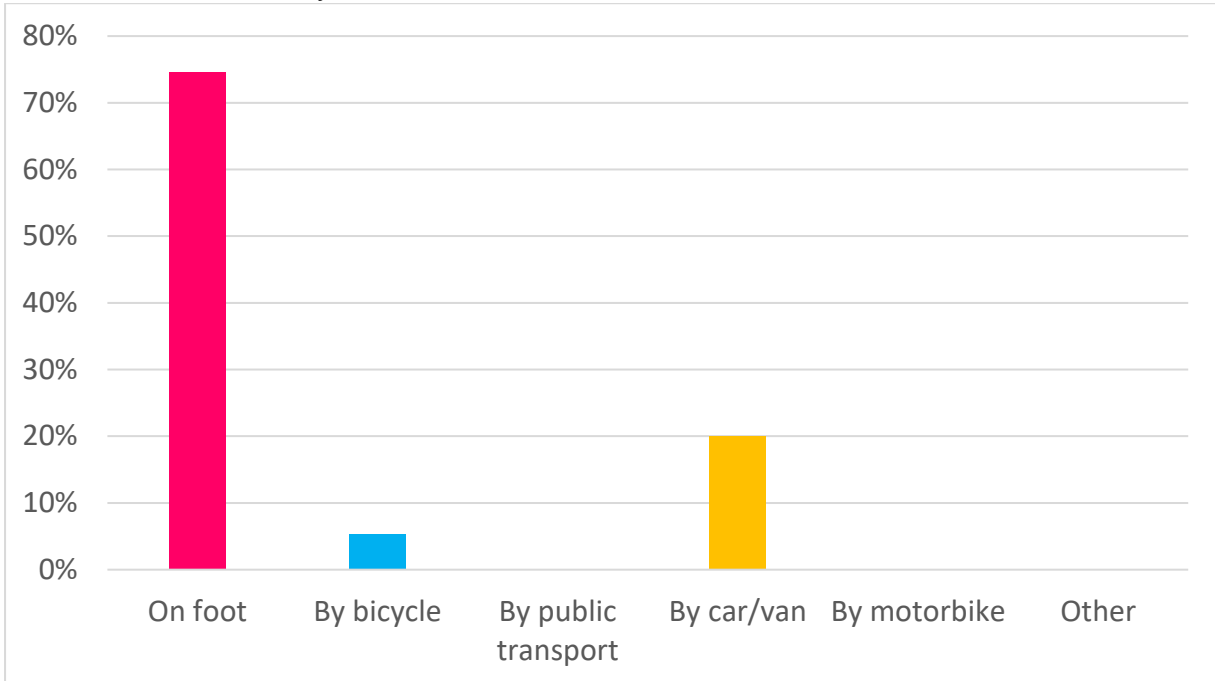


The three main reasons for visiting the woodland were identified as enjoying nature, exercising and walking one or more dogs. The same number of respondents use the woodland to socialise or for children's play or learning at 7% each. Using the woodland as a break from work came in just higher than this at 8%. To have a picnic was rated the least popular reason to visit at 1%.

3% of respondents selected 'Other'. In order of popularity, the other reasons for visiting the woodland were as follows:

- Relaxation and wellbeing,
- Volunteering or activity groups,
- Through route to another destination,
- Horse riding or biking,
- Bird or mammal watching, and
- Picking fruit.

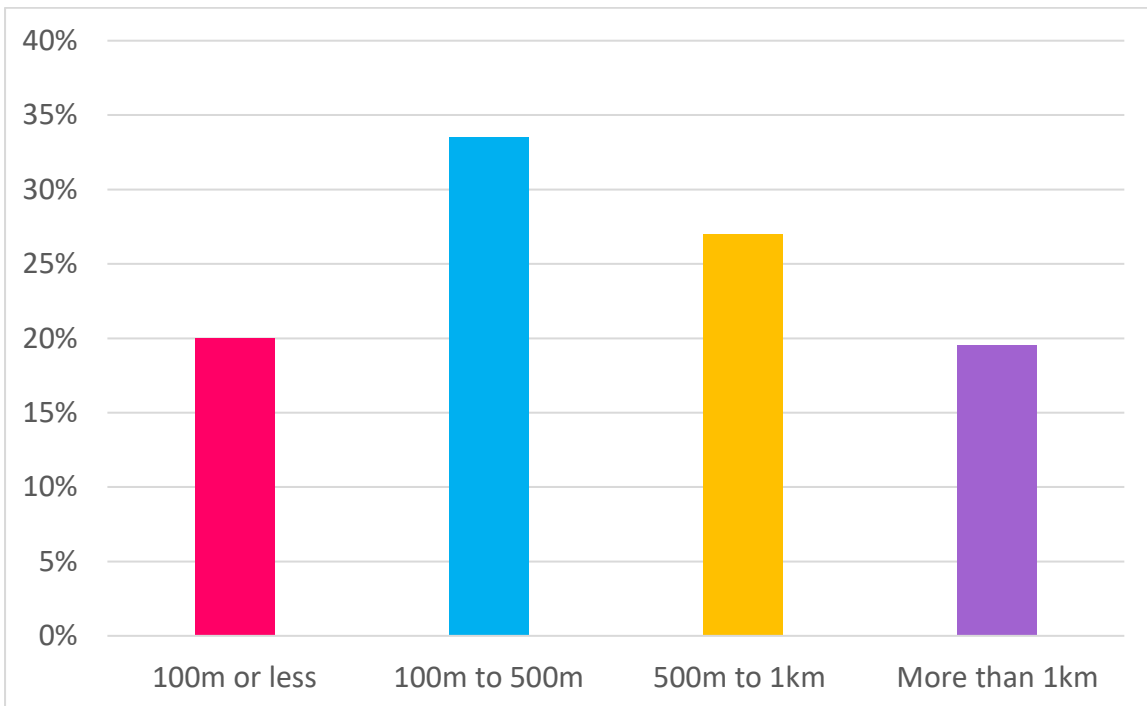
Question 6 - How do you travel to the woodland?



Most respondents travel to the woodland by foot at 75%. By car/van is the second most used mode of transport at 20%, and 5% of respondents travel to the woodland by bicycle. The public transport, motorbike and other options were not selected by any respondents.

Question 7 - How far do you live from the woodland?

Response rate - 100%



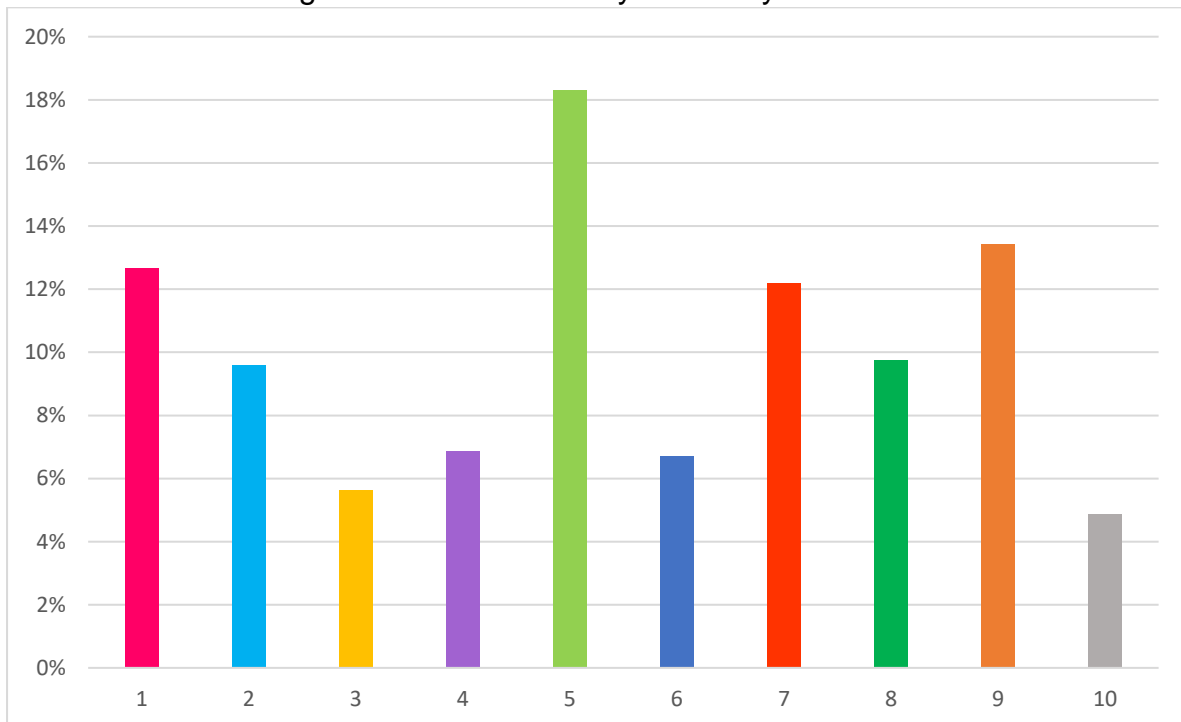
81% of respondents live within 1 kilometre of the woodland; 20% of which reside within 100m or less, 34% between 100m and 500m, and 27% between 500m and 1 kilometre. 20% of respondents live more than 1 kilometre from the woodland.

Comments box - If you live further away, but usually visit from your place of work or the house of a friend or family member, please tell us more here:

Response rate - 6.5%

Of the respondents who fell within this category, approximately 60% live in Keynsham and approximately 20% live in Saltford. The other respondents did not clearly identify a place of residence or workplace from which they visit.

Question 8 - Which gates or entrances do you usually use?





Gate 5 is the most used access point to the woodland at 18%. Gates 1 and 9 both received 13% of votes, with Gate 7 closely behind with 12%. Entrance 3 and Gate 10 are the least used access points to the woodland at 6% and 5% respectively.

Comments box - Most visitors will usually use the same gate or entrance to enter and leave the woodland. If you generally do something different (such as using the woodland as a cut-through, or as part of a longer walking or running circuit), please tell us about your route and why you use it:

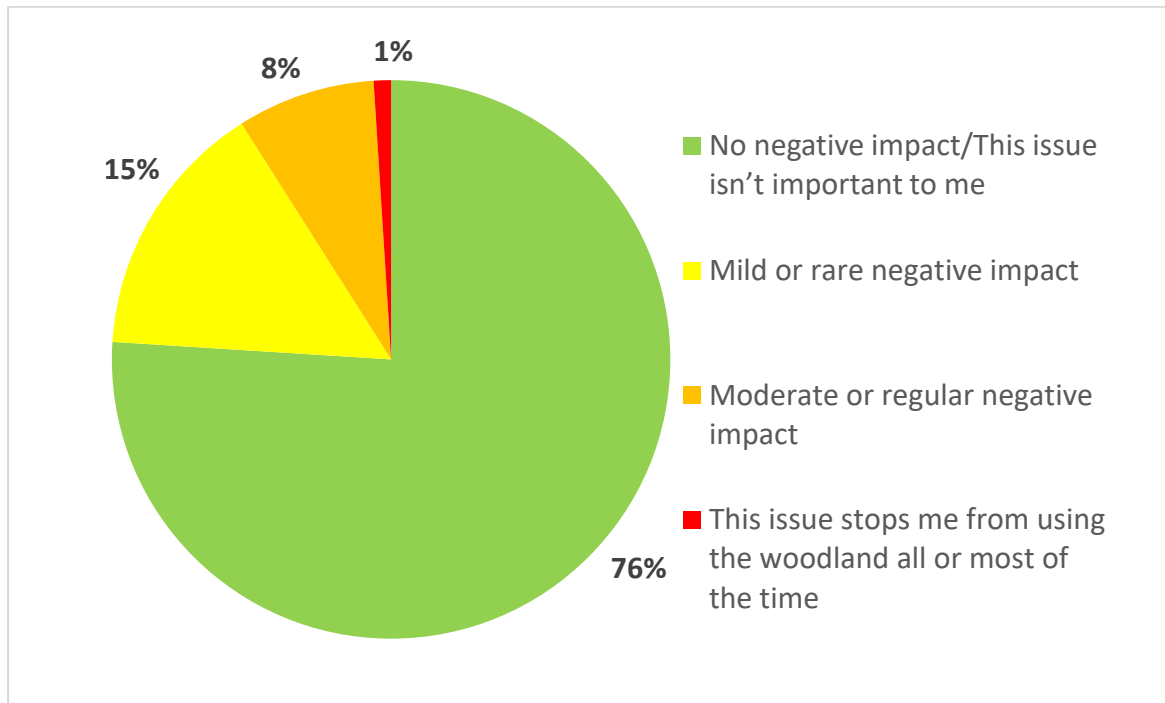
Response rate - 30%

Approximately half of respondents vary their walk each visit depending on factors such as the weather, who they are visiting with or the reason for visiting that day. Taking a specific set route through the woodland made up just over a quarter of responses. Most of the remaining responses consisted of using the woodland for a circular walk or as part of a longer walk incorporating surrounding areas.

Question 9 - What impact do the following factors have on your use or enjoyment of the woodland?

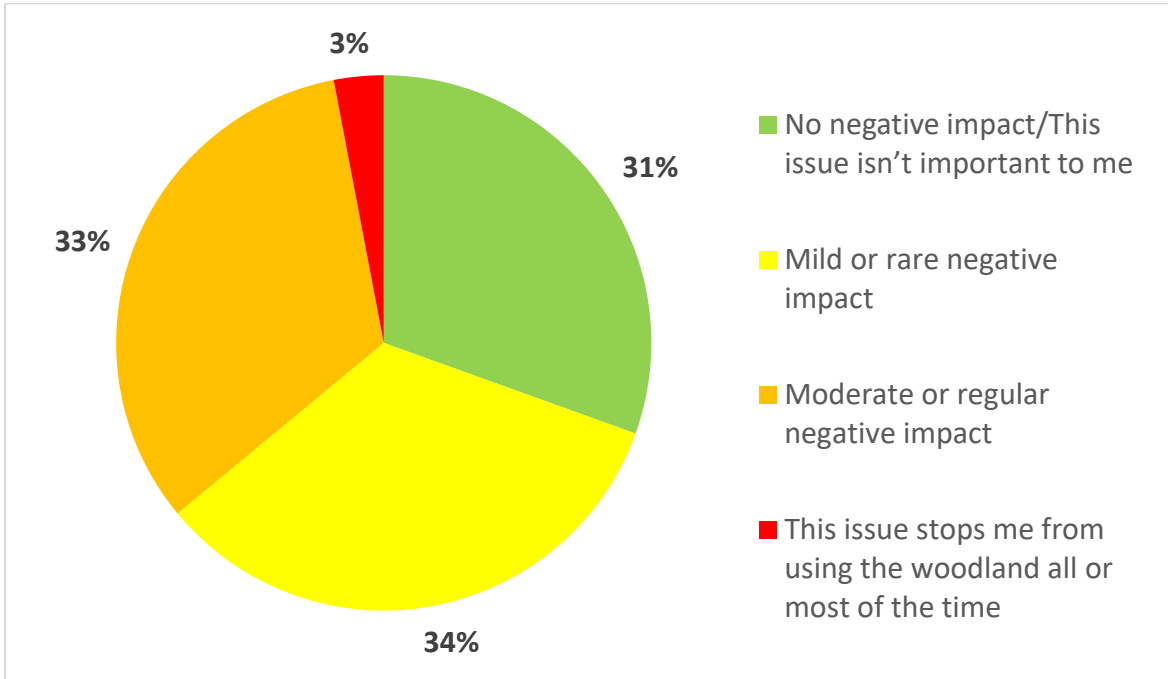
Availability of car parking

Response rate - 100%



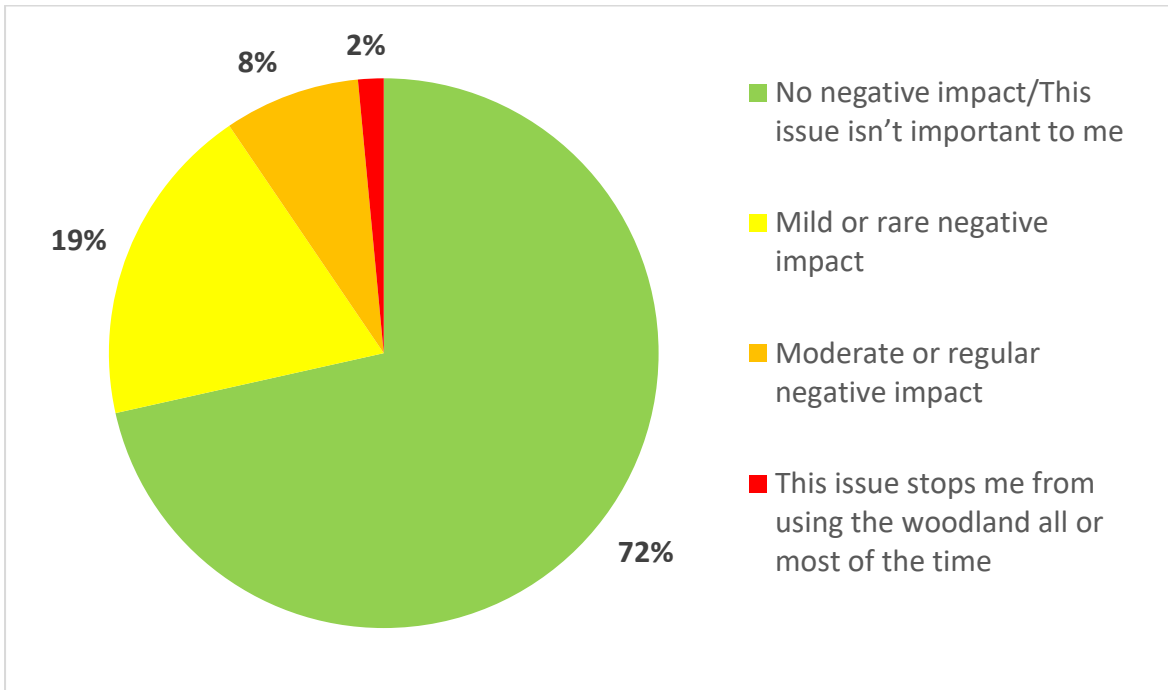
Quality and maintenance of pathways

Response rate - 100%



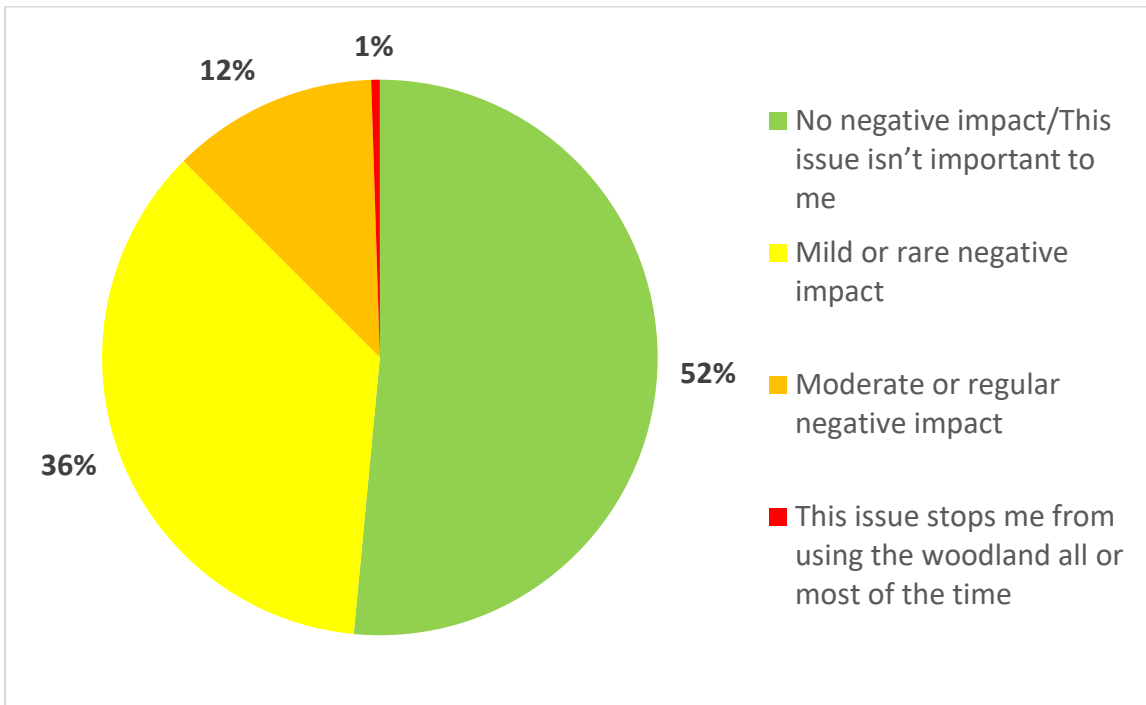
Ease of access

Response rate - 100%



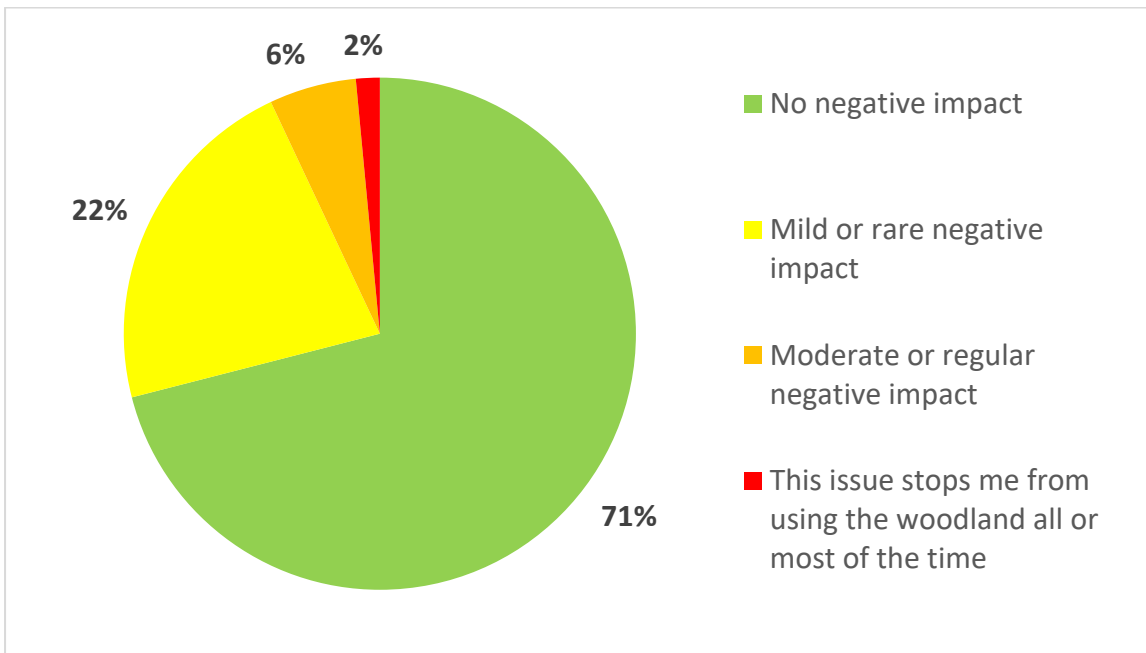
Provision of seating

Response rate - 100%



Concerns about personal safety

Response rate - 100%



The quality and maintenance of pathways has the greatest impact on respondents use or enjoyment of the woodland, with 67% of respondents expressing that it caused either a mild or rare (34%) or moderate or regular (33%) negative impact on them.

The current provision of seating also had a notable impact on respondents use or enjoyment of the woodland - 36% identifying it as having a mild or rare negative impact, and 12% stating a moderate or regular negative impact.

Availability of car parking was considered to have the lowest impact on respondents use or enjoyment of the woodland, with 76% stating it had no negative impact on them.

Comments box - Other issues: Please tell us about anything else which has a negative effect on your use or enjoyment of the woodland. If you like, you can add suggestions here about how we might improve this issue.

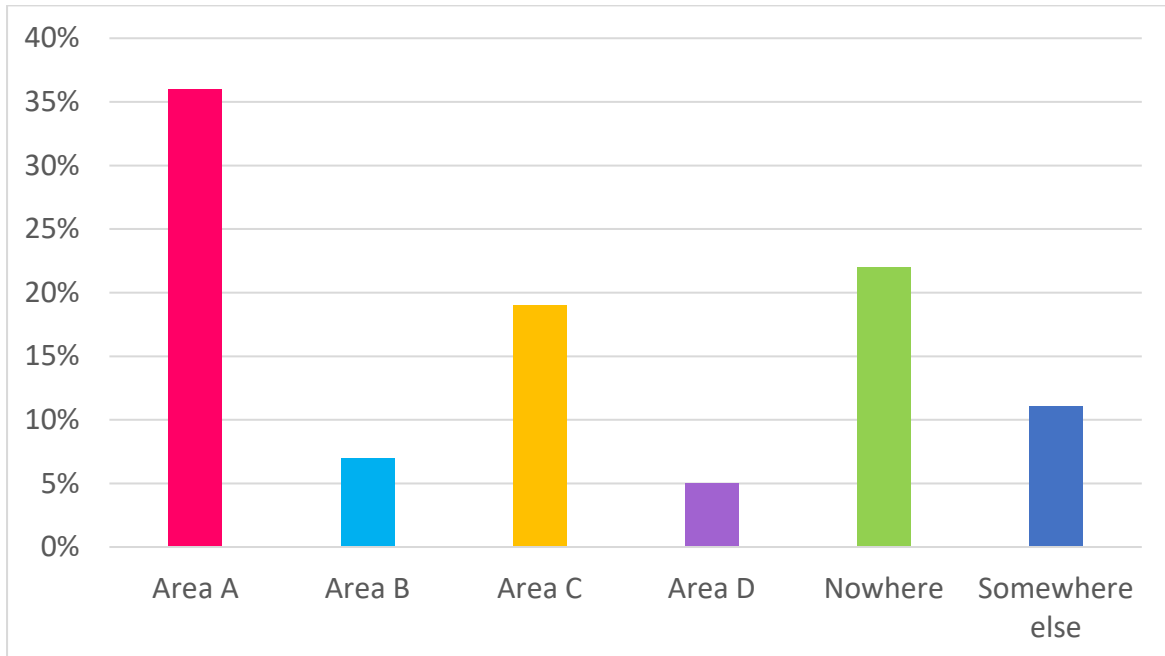
Response rate - 57%

There were a broad range of comments in response to this question. The key other issues experienced at the woodland being as follows:

- Muddy and overgrown paths,
- Poor condition of pond and boardwalk,
- Dog fouling and lack of dog waste bins,
- Conflict between users - dogs off leads, horse and bike riders etc,
- Loss of woodland caused by potential new car park,
- Nearby development - fear of overuse, increasing loss of woodland, noise etc,
- Gates,
- Lack of bicycle parking facilities,
- Lack of benches and seating,
- More signs to encourage use of bins, provide information on wildlife, footpath locations etc,
- Littering and vandalism,
- Fencing,
- Traffic congestion,
- Water channel maintenance,
- Wildflower meadow maintenance,
- Drug dealing,
- Burnt out tyres and old trees,
- Wasps' nests,
- Increase community involvement, and
- Improve communication with friends.

Question 10 - Where in the woodland do you think the pathways are most in need of repair or replacement?

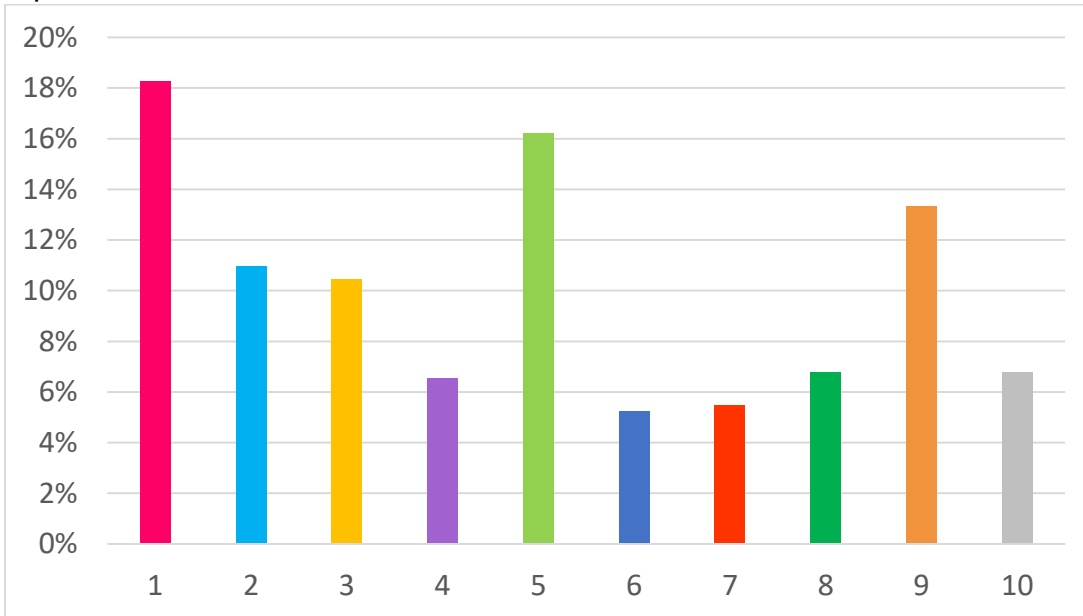
Response rate - 100%



The pathways in Area A (northern extent of the woodland) are considered to be in greatest need of repair or replacement at 36%. Area C (area between Manor Road and the wildflower meadow) is also identified as a particular area where pathways require improving at 19%. Contrastingly, the 'Nowhere' option received a high number of responses with 22% of respondents voting that no areas within the woodland require pathway repair or replacement.

11% of respondents selected 'Somewhere else'. Within this category, all areas was stated most frequently, and then access points. The pond and the permissive pathways to Saltford were also recognised as locations where pathways need repair or replacement.

Question 11 - Which of the gates or entrances do you think we should improve or replace?

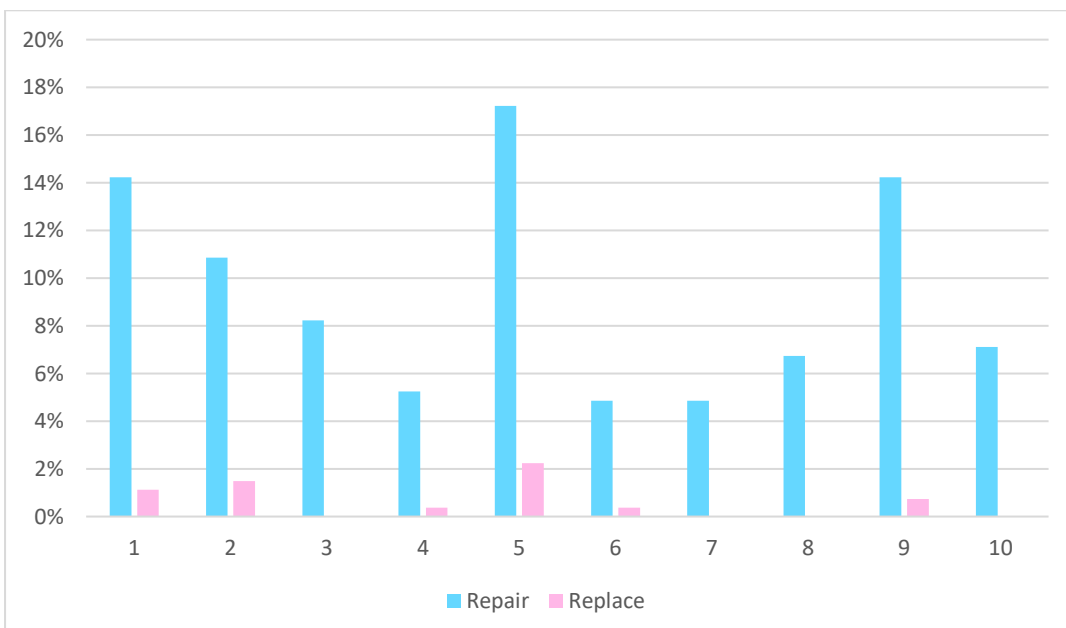


Gate 1 (18%) and Gate 5 (16%) were considered in most need of improving or replacing. Entrances 2, 3 and 9 each received between 10% and 13% of responses. Gates 4, 6, 7, 8, and 10 were not deemed priorities for improvement work, all of them receiving a similar number of votes ranging between 5% and 7%.

Comments box - For the entrances you ticked above, please tell us:

- Do you think this needs repair or replacement?
- Which entrances do you think need most urgent work?

Response rate - 100%

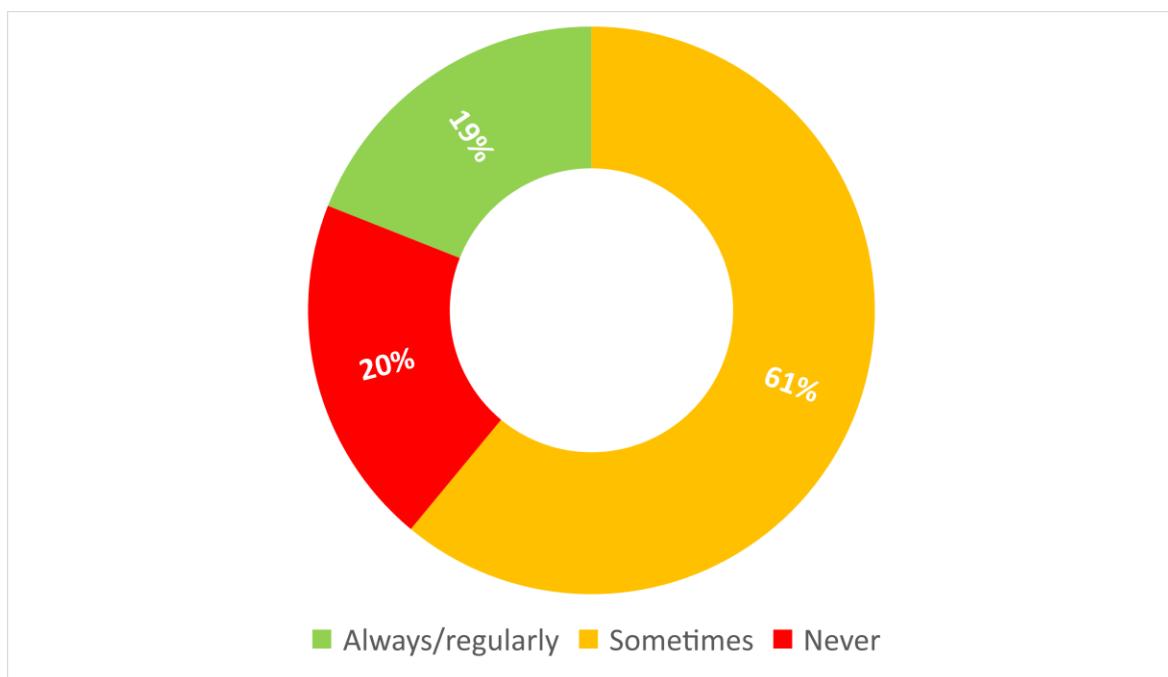


Similar to the main question, respondents identified Gates 1, 5 and 9 as the priorities for improvement, followed by Entrances 2 and 3. This question assisted in identifying that respondents felt gate repairs and/or better maintenance practices specifically around drainage would be sufficient improvements rather than full gate replacements. A small number of respondents felt replacement would be necessary for some of the entrances, in particular 5, 2 and 1.

Question 12a - Please say how much you think you would use new seating in the following areas of the woodland?

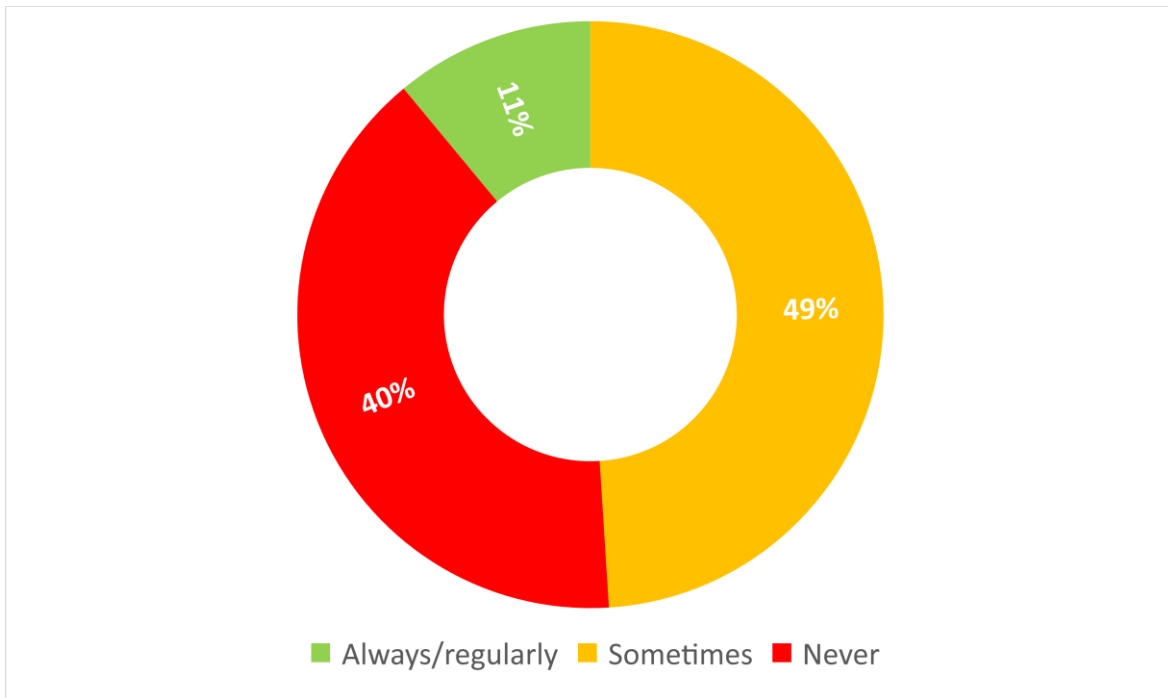
The wildflower meadow

Response rate - 100%



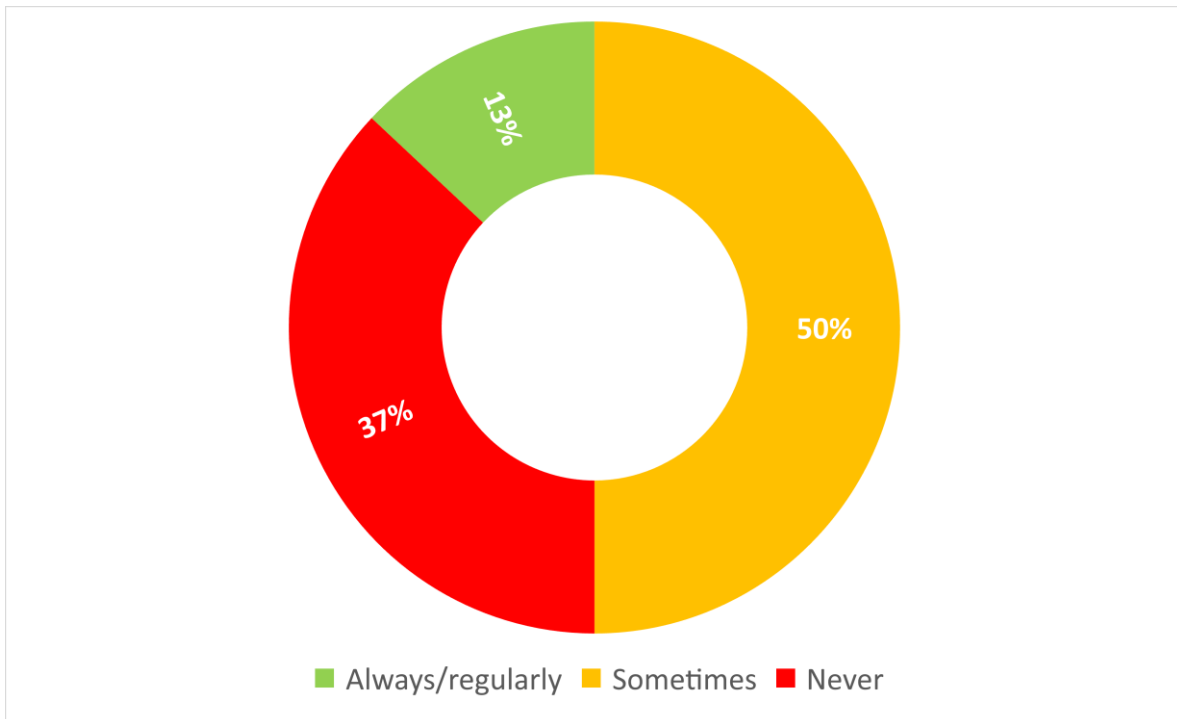
The pond

Response rate - 100%



The area south of Manor Road

Response rate - 100%

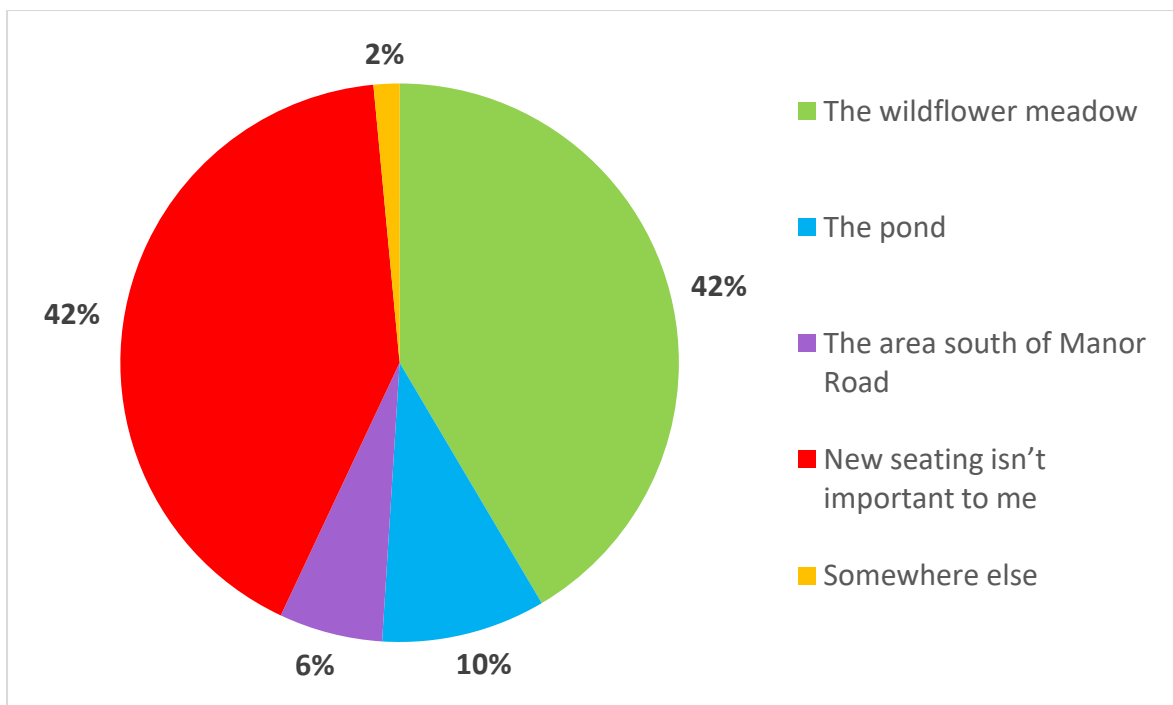


New seating in the wildflower meadow would be the most well received with 19% of respondents stating they would always/regularly use seating in this area, and 61% expressing they would sometimes use seating in this area.

The pond and the area south of Manor Road received similar voting with regards to new seating - 11% of respondents and 13% of respondents stating they would always/regularly use new seating in these respective areas, and 49% of respondents and 50% of respondents expressing they would sometimes use new seating in these respective areas.

Question 12b - Where do you think new seating would be most useful?

Response rate - 100%

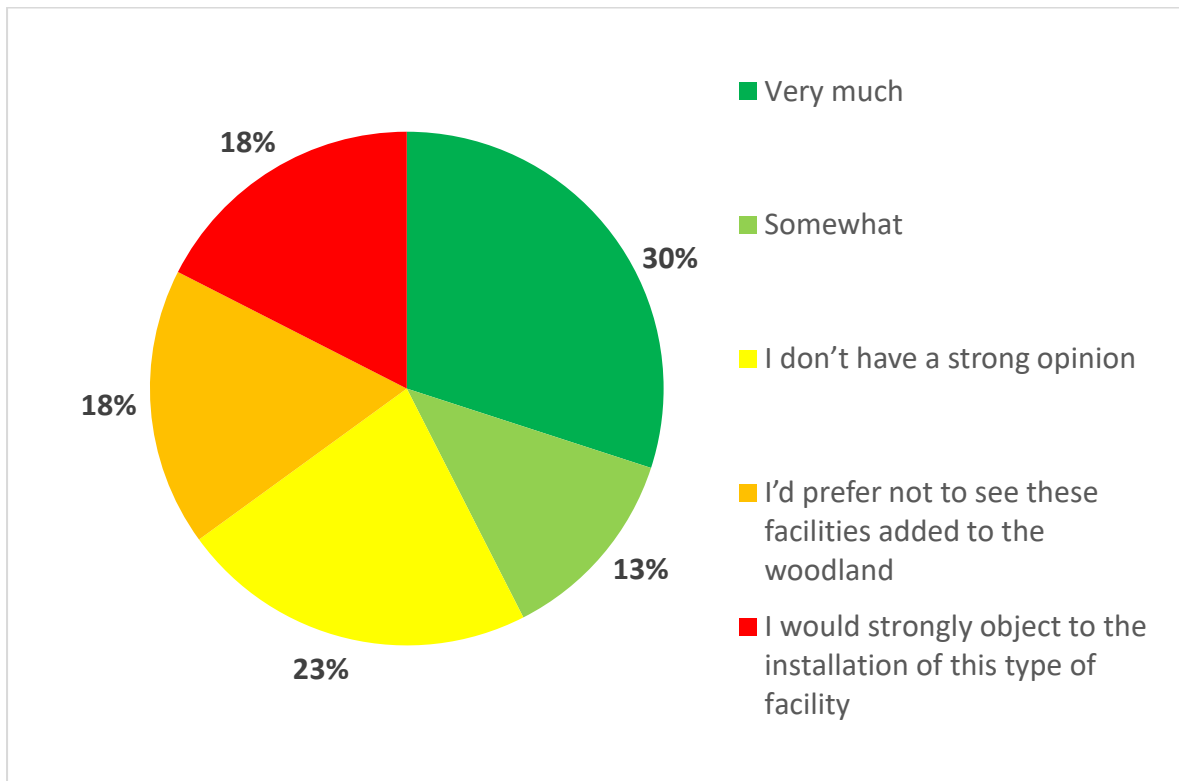


The responses to question 12b reiterated the result of 12a, with the wildflower meadow viewed as the most useful area for new seating. This question did help identify that the implementation of new seating is not seen as important to 42% of respondents.

The 2% of respondents who selected 'Somewhere else' either requested a preference for new seating not to be implemented in the woodland or emphasised the need for new seating to be in keeping with the woodland setting.

Question 13 - How much would you like to see new natural play opportunities within the woodland?

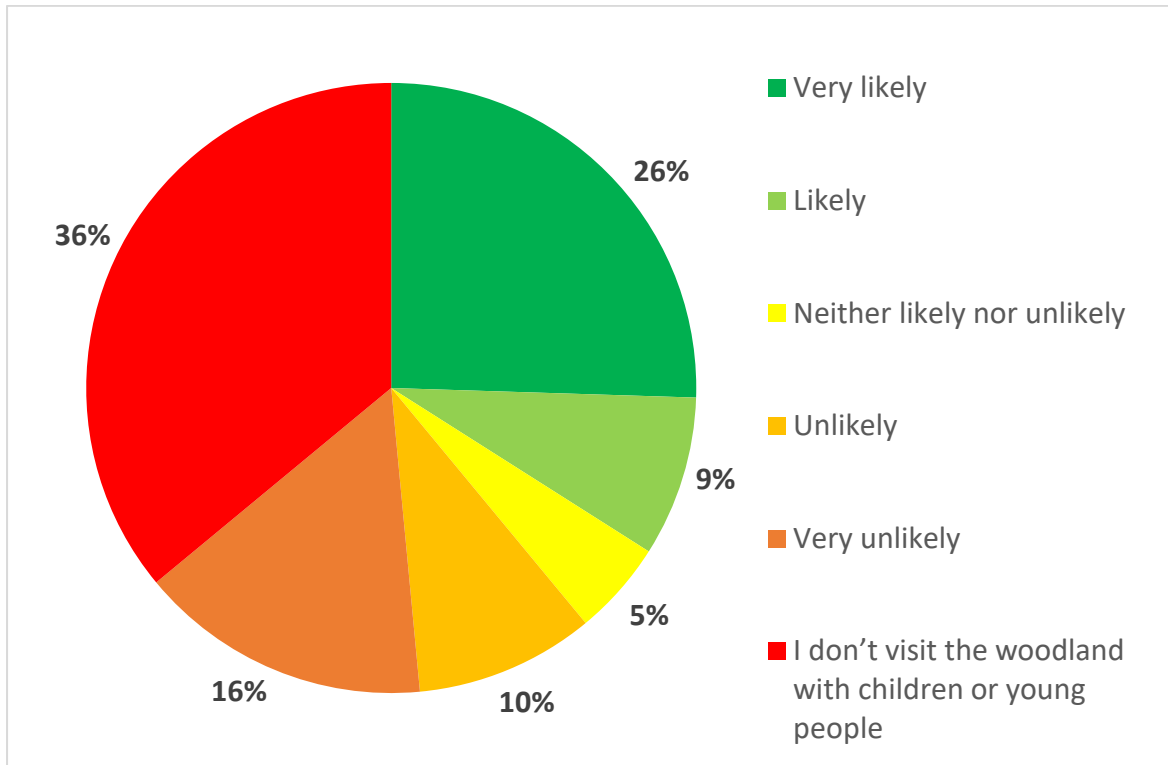
Response rate - 100%



The level of support for or against natural play facilities was similar, with 35% of respondents saying they'd either be strongly opposed or would prefer not to see them implemented, and 43% saying they'd either very much or somewhat like to see them implemented. 23% of respondents said they don't have a strong opinion on the implementation of natural play facilities.

Question 14 - How likely is it that someone in your party would use these types of play facilities when visiting the woodland?

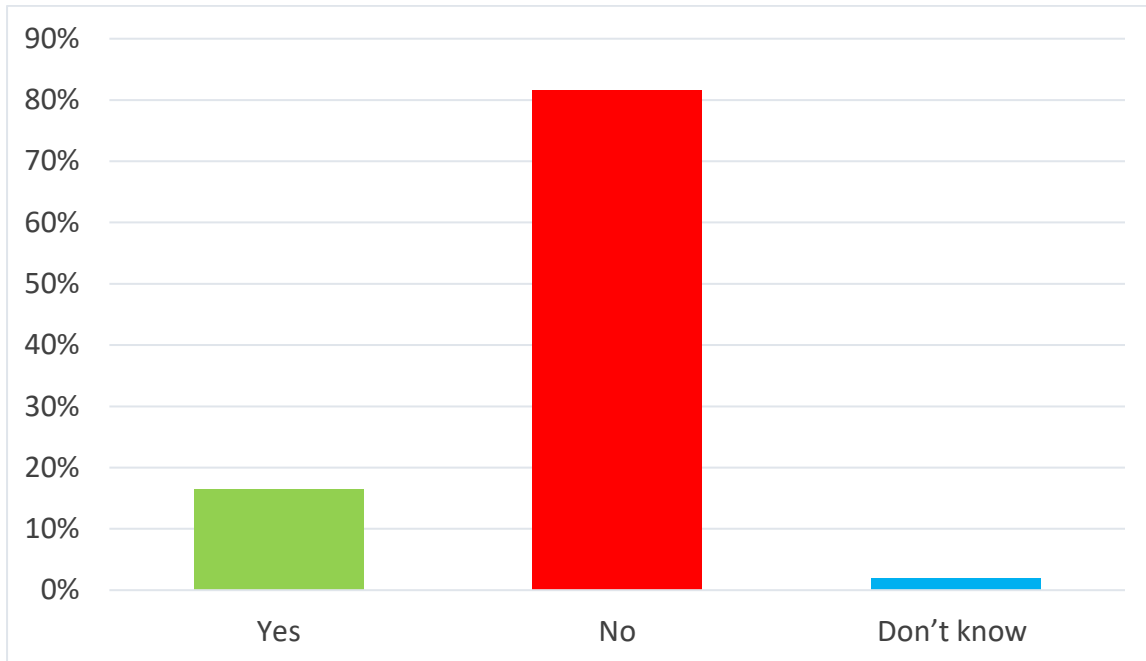
Response rate - 100%



Out of the respondents who would visit the woodland with children or young people, a slightly greater number would use new natural play facilities (26% - 'Very likely' and 9% - 'Likely') than those who wouldn't (16% - 'Very unlikely' and 10% - 'Unlikely').

Question 15 - Would a small car park close to Manor Road make you more likely to visit the woodland?

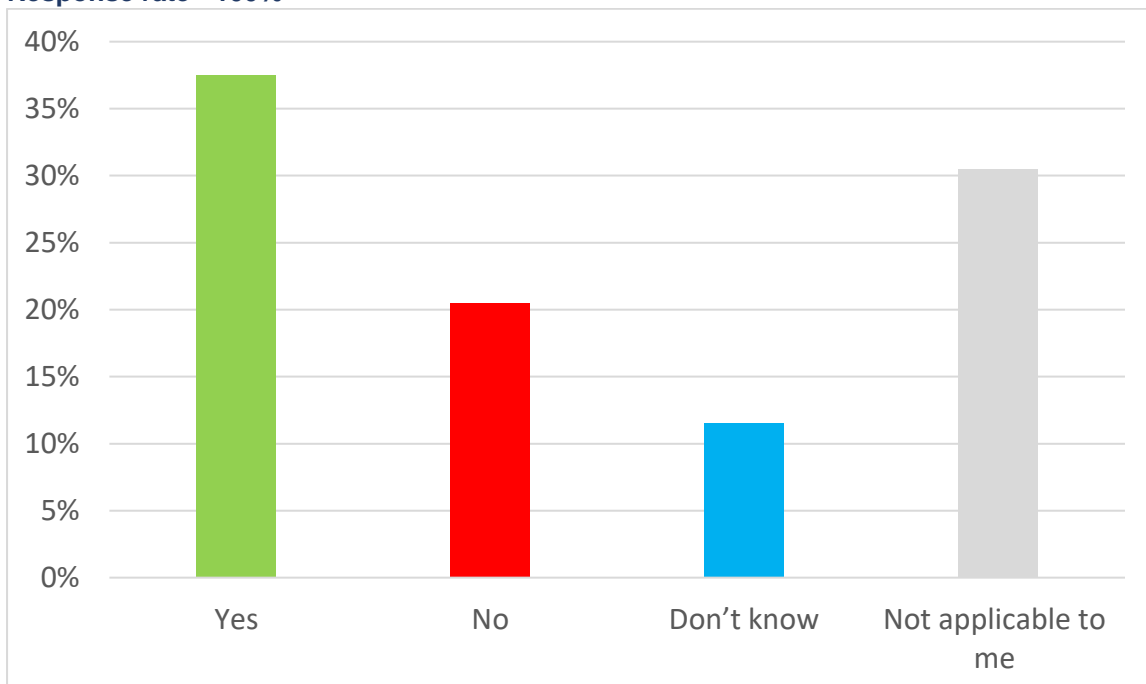
Response rate - 100%



The implementation of a new car park was not deemed necessary to encourage more people to visit the woodland as 82% of respondents selected 'No' in response to this question, and 17% selected 'Yes'.

Question 16 - Do you find it easy to navigate between the woodland and surrounding long distance recreation routes?

Response rate - 100%

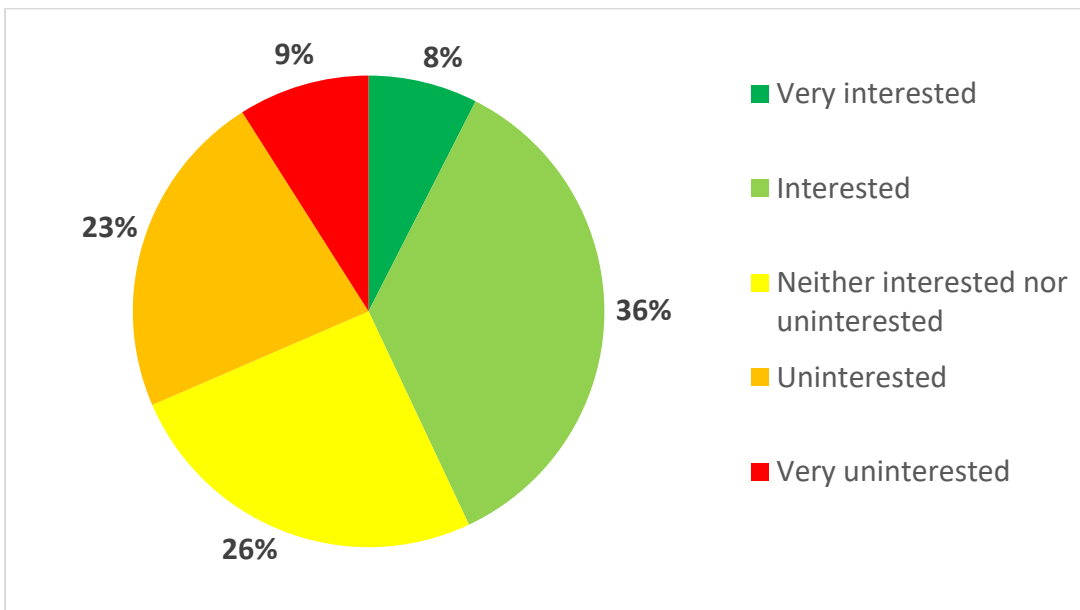


38% of respondents stated that they find it easy to navigate to long distance recreation routes which surround the woodland. Opposingly, 21% stated they experience difficulty with this navigation. A high proportion of respondents expressed that navigating to long distance recreation routes was not applicable to them.

Question 17 - How interested would you be in attending any of the following activities/events at the woodland?

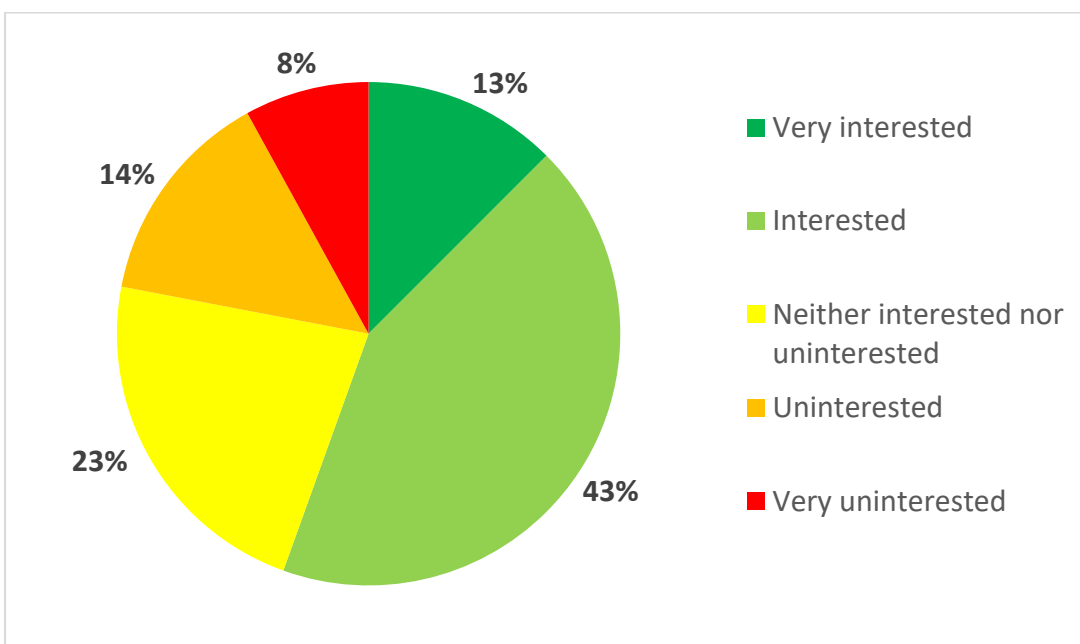
Guided walks

Response rate - 100%



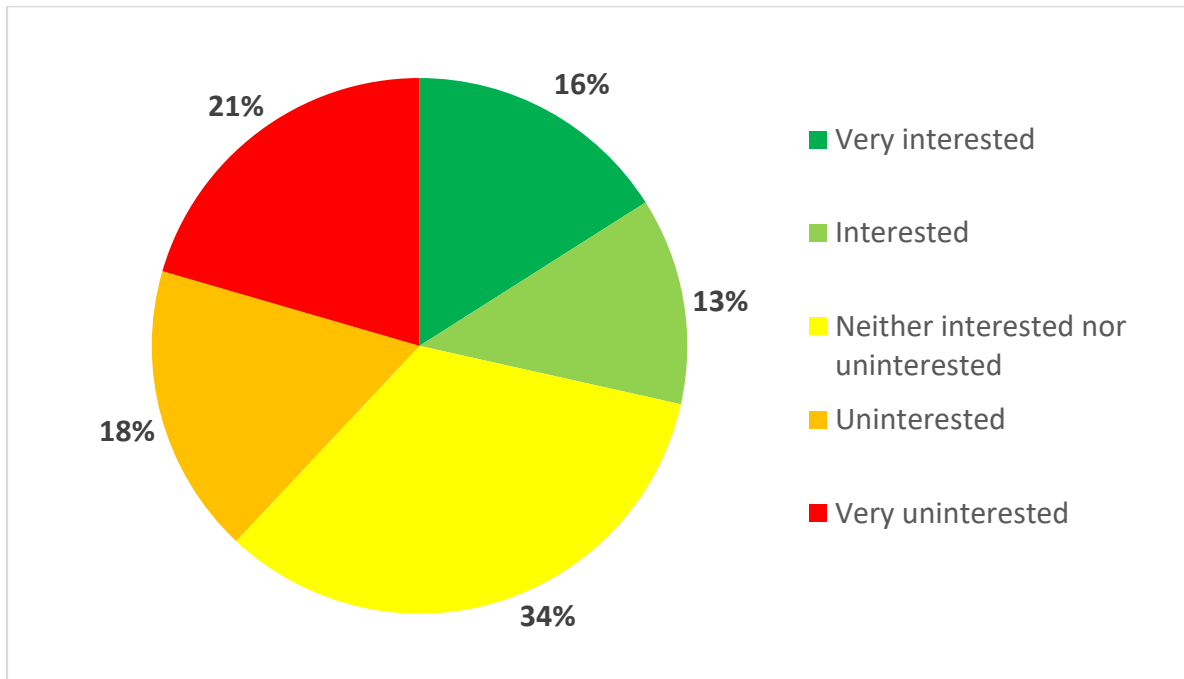
Nature trails

Response rate - 100%



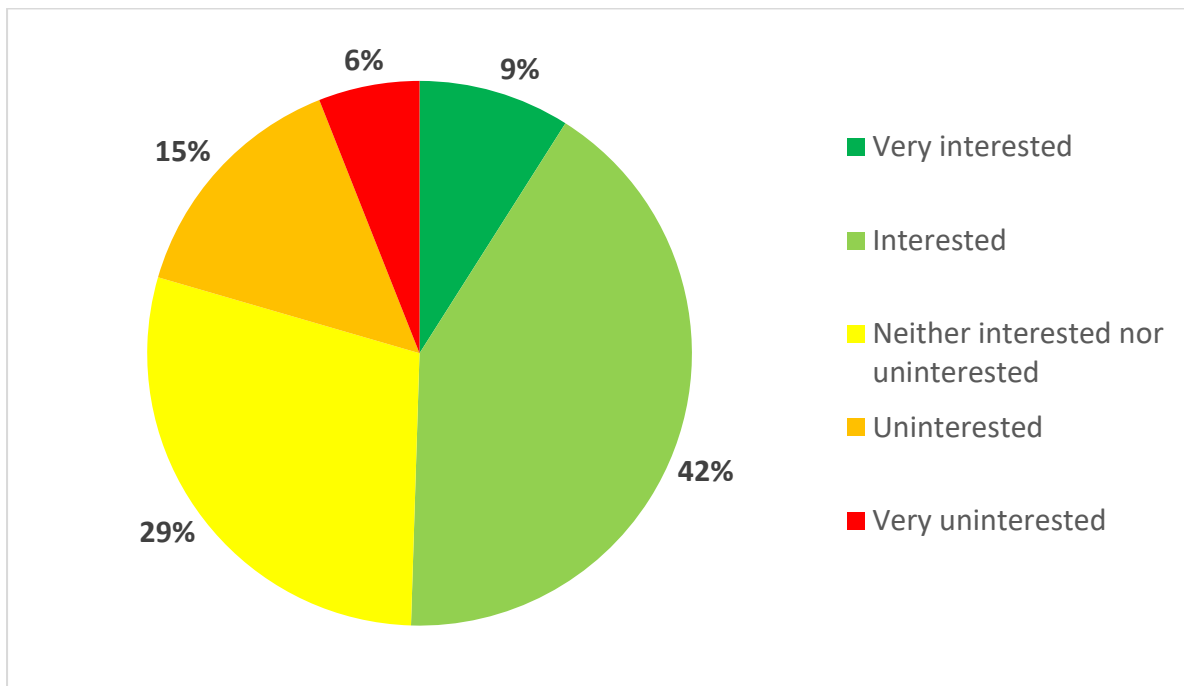
Forest school activities

Response rate - 100%



Practical volunteering

Response rate - 100%

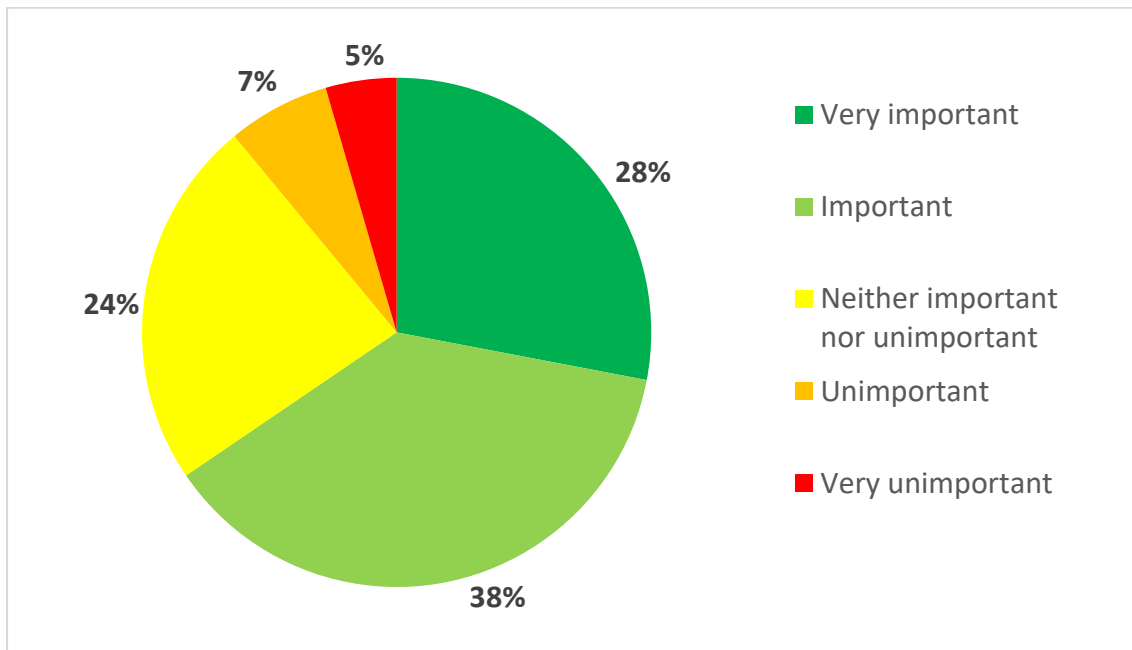


The level of interest in attending nature trails and practical volunteering at the woodland was similar. 43% of respondents would be 'Interested', and 13% 'Very interested', in attending nature trails, with 42% of respondents 'Interested' and 9% 'Very interested' in attending practical volunteering. Attending guided walks also

received good support, with 36% of respondents expressing an interest and 8% expressing a strong interest. Forest school activities received the least amount of support - 29% of respondents being either 'Interested' or 'Very Interested' in attending.

Question 18 - How important is the main pond to you?

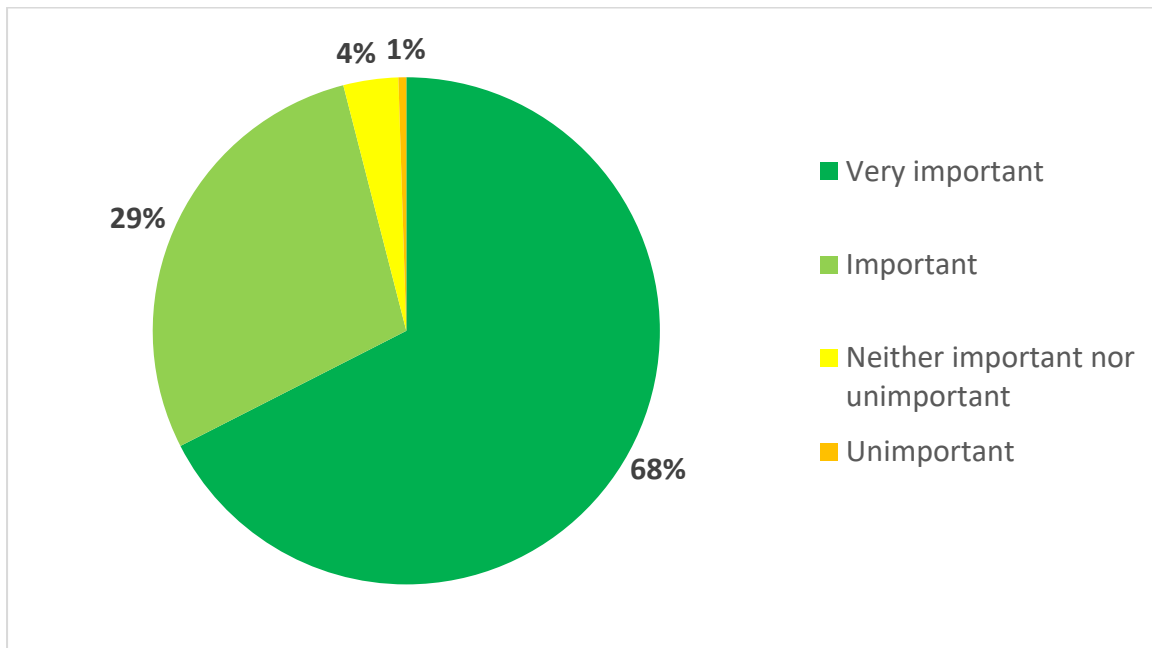
Response rate - 100%



38% of respondents rate the pond as 'Important'. Approximately a quarter of respondents stated the pond as 'Very important' to them, and another quarter of respondents view the pond as 'Neither important nor unimportant'. Only 11% of respondents consider the pond either 'Unimportant' or 'Very unimportant'.

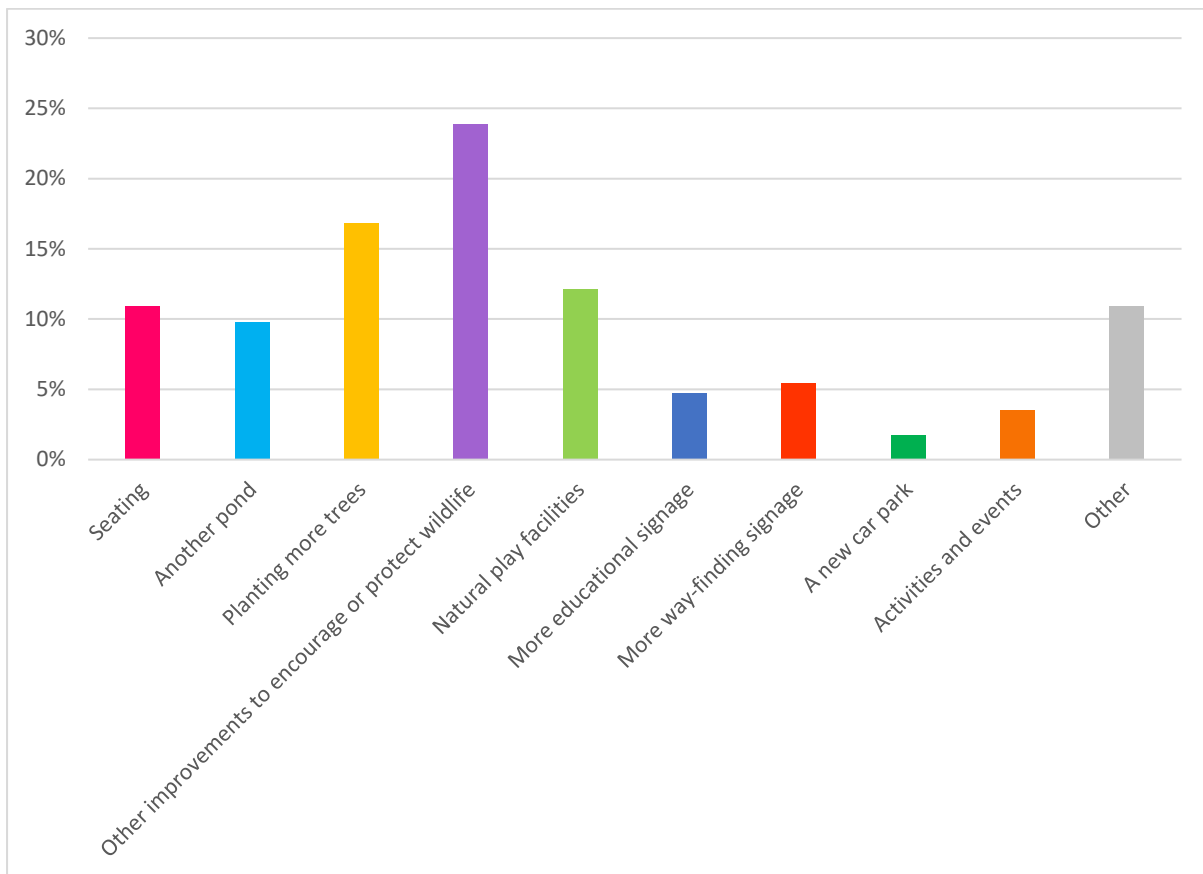
Question 19 - How important is the wildflower meadow to you?

Response rate - 100%



A large proportion of respondents rated the wildflower meadow as 'Very important' at 68%, and 'Important' at 29%. No respondent selected the 'Very unimportant' option and only 1% of respondents deemed the wildflower meadow as 'Unimportant'.

Question 20 - Please tick up to three improvements or additions which would be most useful to you



Implementing other improvements to encourage or protect wildlife and planting more trees were considered the most useful improvements at the woodland out of the available options, with 24% of respondents selecting the former, and 17% of respondents selecting the latter. New seating, installing another pond and implementing natural play facilities received a similar level of support, ranging between 10% and 12% of responses.

Comments box - Something else - Please tell us more:

Response rate - 28%

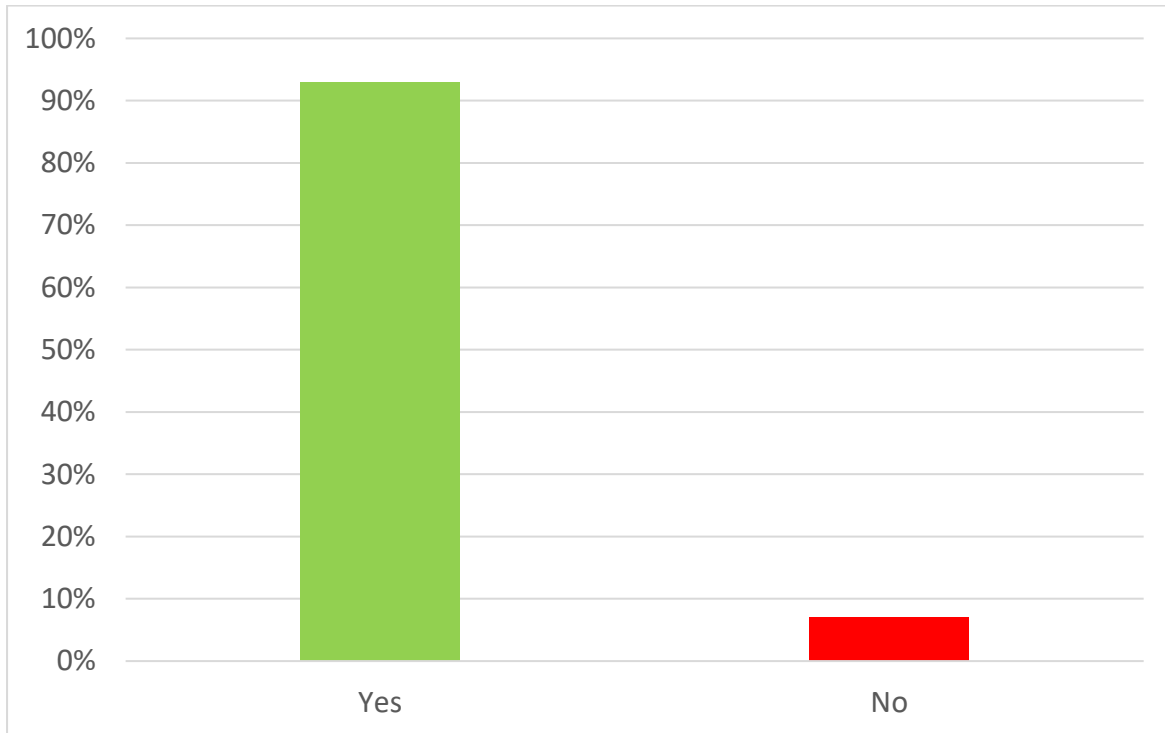
The majority of responses emphasised the importance of pathway and access point improvements, particularly better drainage, surfaces and accessibility for disabled users. In order of popularity, other improvements or additions mentioned were as follows:

- Pond and general woodland maintenance,
- Restrictions on surrounding residential developments and using Manor Road as a through access,
- Natural play facilities and bike trails,
- More rubbish and dog waste bins,

- A barrier around the pond,
- Wildflower meadow improvements,
- More signs to discourage dog fouling, and
- More bicycle parking facilities.

Question 21 - Have you heard of the Friends of Manor Road group?

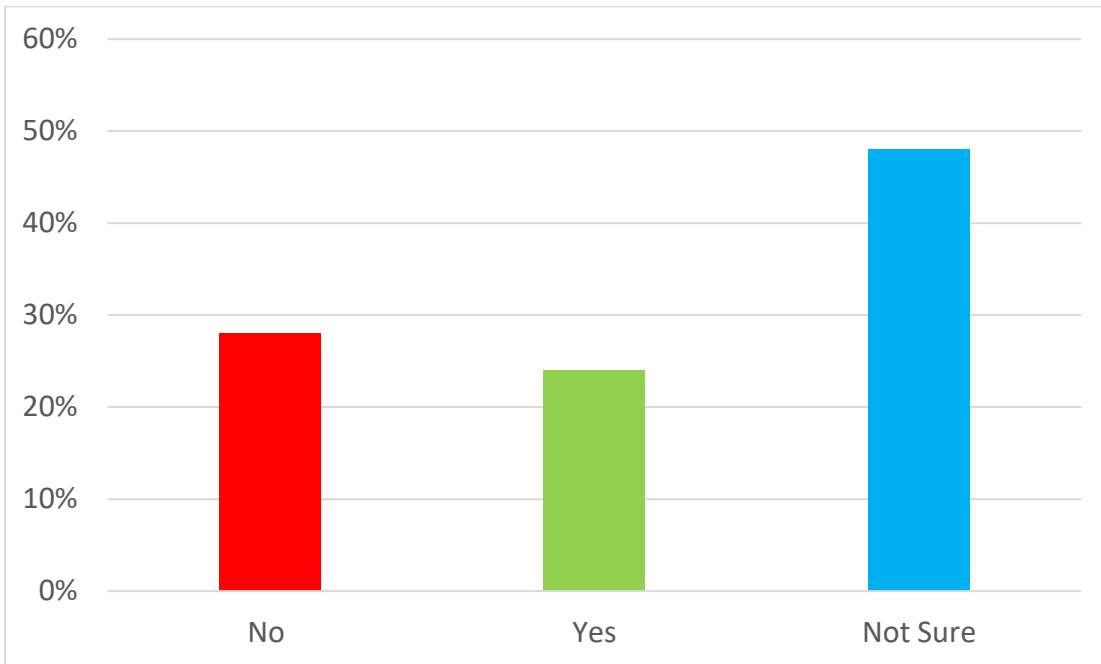
Response rate - 100%



93% of respondents have heard of the Friends of Manor Road group, with only 7% having not heard of the group.

Question 22 - Would you be interested in volunteering with them?

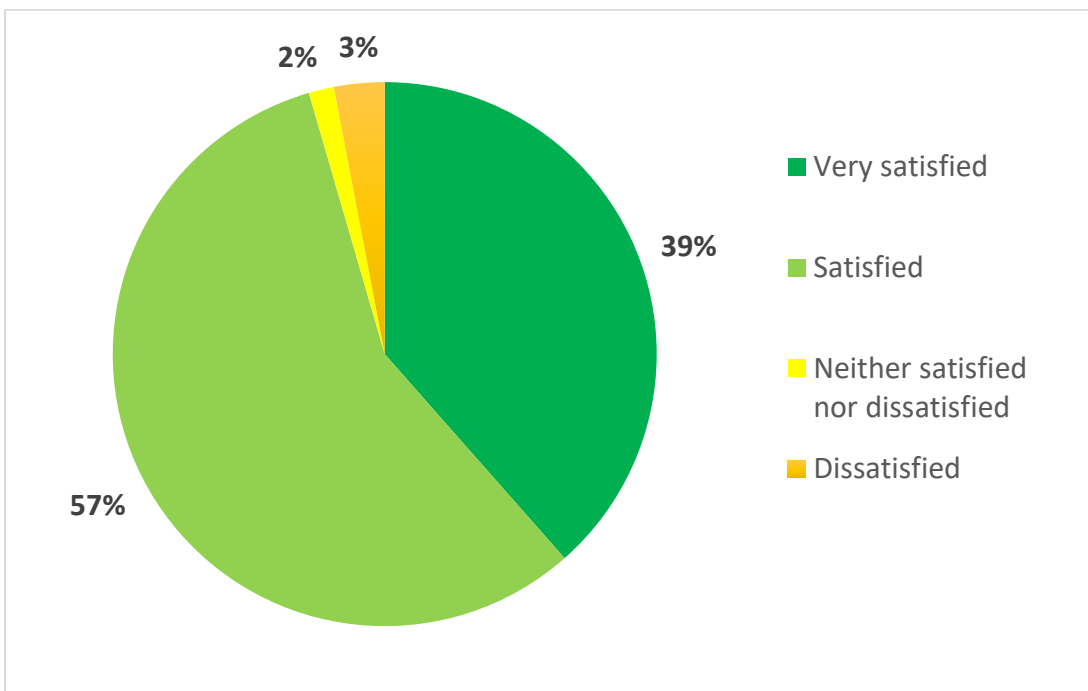
Response rate - 100%



Just under half of respondents stated they were not sure about volunteering with the group. 28% responded they would not be interested, and 24% responded they would be interested.

Question 23 - Overall, how satisfied are you with the woodland?

Response rate - 100%



39% of respondents are very satisfied with Manor Road Community Woodland, with 57% considering themselves satisfied. Therefore, the strong majority - 96%, are overall happy with the woodland. No respondent selected the very dissatisfied option.

Comments box - Do you have any additional comments about Manor Road Woodland or improvements that you would like to see implemented?

Response rate - 62%

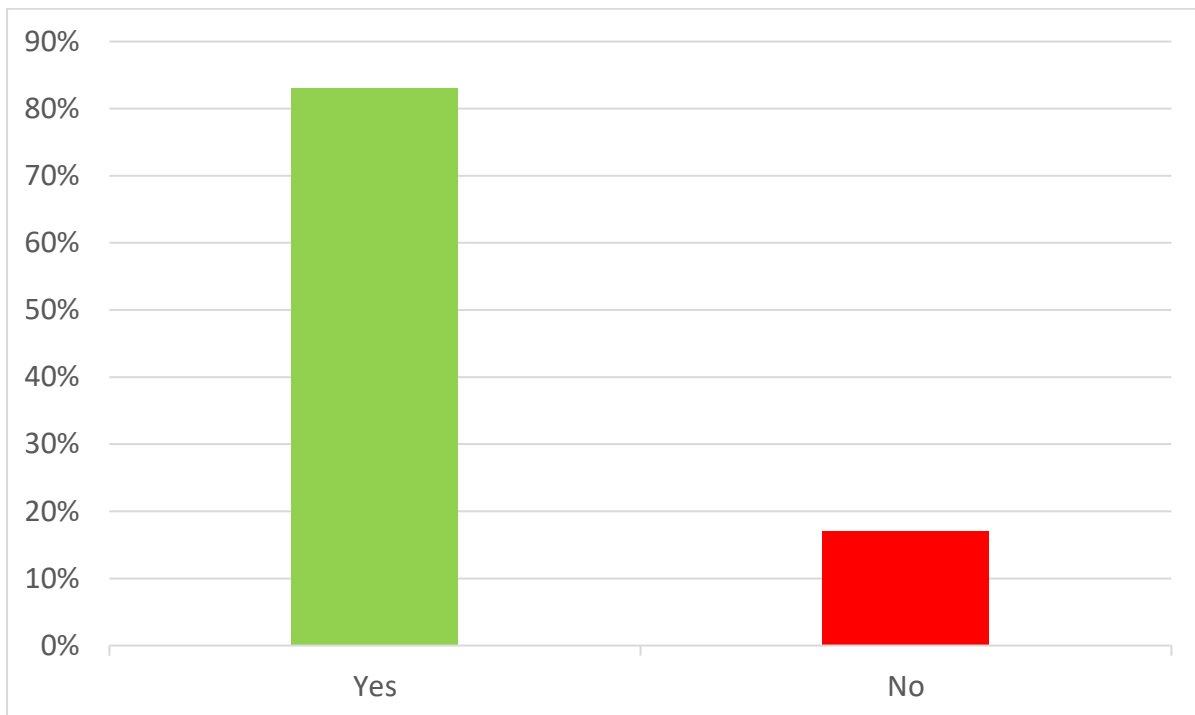
Responses to this question reiterated the same themes as those previously mentioned in the questionnaire as shown by the below Word Cloud.



Overall, there is a strong feel that the woodland is very important to the local community as a nature reserve and green space. There is a desire to maintain its natural character and boundary whilst finding new ways to improve biodiversity. Unease around surrounding developments including the proposals for a new car park was expressed.

Question 24 - Are you happy to answer equality monitoring questions?

Response rate - 100%



83% of respondents were happy to answer B&NES' equality monitoring questions. Graphs summarising the responses can be found in Appendix B.

Drop-in session

Approximately 40 people attended the drop-in session event. Feedback was received on priorities for improvements as well as current issues and concerns. The main issues stated were dogs off leads and children running into Manor Road. Concerns were raised about nearby development causing greater amounts of littering and additional pressures on the woodland. The potential for the woodland to be further encroached upon was also raised.

The improvements which gained the most support were pathway upgrades, implementation of natural play/play on the way features in keeping with the woodland setting and measures to facilitate greater biodiversity and wildflower growth such as new ponds, wetland areas and seed stations. Offering more events including guided walks, nature trails and volunteering opportunities was also supported. Other improvements mentioned were installing more wildlife information boards, bicycle parking facilities, and dog waste bins, as well as new disabled car spaces. Woodland users would also like to see improved maintenance of the existing pond and drainage issues.

3. Additional improvement recommendations

Ecological survey

An ecological survey of Manor Road Community Woodland was carried out by Geckoella Ltd across May and June 2023. The survey enabled a set of habitat enhancement recommendations to be developed. These can be summarised as follows:

- Enhancement of grassland habitats (modified and other neutral),
- Enhancement of woodland habitats,
- Enhancement of ecologically valuable line of trees,
- Enhancement of streams,
- Enhancement of the pond, and
- Enhancement of scrub.

In addition to these enhancements, habitat creation was also recommended in the form of new ponds, scrub, and wood pasture and parkland as detailed below.

Within the wildflower meadow, two areas were identified as potential locations for new pond creation (No. 34 and No. 35 in the below image) to improve the diversity of habitats for protected and priority species within the woodland. Creation of scattered areas of dense hawthorn scrub were suggested (No. 36 and No. 37 in the below image) to complement the ponds.



Furthermore, to connect the woodland habitat to the north with the bramble scrub further south, it was advised that a new area of dense scrub is created as shown by the area labelled No. 9 in the below image.



Wood pasture and parkland creation is generally recommended for areas where a large area of woodland has been part-felled due to ash dieback, such as the area north of Manor Road (No. 26 in the below image). This was stated as a long-term goal.



Accessibility audit

The West of England Centre for Inclusive Living (WECIL) undertook an access audit of Manor Road Community Woodland in June and July 2023 to identify how current facilities could be improved for people with mobility and sensory impairments. WECIL are a Disabled Peoples Organisation which provides a business support service called Disability.Inc. Disability.Inc has several members with a variety of impairments who can relate to the access issues Disabled people face daily.

Their main recommendations were as follows:

- **Parking and entrances:** ensure there is a carpark with accessible parking bays, a level entrance/exit, and clearly identifiable walkways. If bridle gates are to be retained at the site, ensure radar key operated bridle gates are installed for those providing access to the designated accessible route/s,
- **Signage and wayfinding:** update signage and maps throughout the woodland to ensure they are accessible and easy to read for all users. They should indicate the distances between areas, access points, locations of gates and bridges, the accessible route/s, surfaces and gradients of pathways and the locations of seating/rest areas (which should be installed at regular intervals on all main routes), and
- **Paths and gateways:** paths and gateways should be wide enough to allow easy passing for wheelchair users, visually impaired people with guide dogs or using long canes, and other path users. They should be well maintained and kept free from overgrowth. The accessible route/s need to be level and free from trip hazards and easily identifiable as a path. Guidance for bridges and boardwalks were also set out, such as the installation of edge boards and ensuring they have sufficient weight bearing for electric wheelchairs and scooters.

4. Conclusion

Taking into account the results of the online questionnaire, drop-in session, ecological survey and accessibility audit it has been possible to identify an initial list of improvement actions for Manor Road Community Woodland with an associated level of priority, as summarised in the following table.

A period of engagement with various stakeholders including the B&NES Capital Projects Steering Group, the Friends of Manor Road Community Woodland and the relevant Ward Members will now follow to develop and complete the actions list assigning clear responsibilities and timescales.

The current deadline for decisions to be made on funding spend is December 2023, with improvement works due to commence from Spring 2024.

Topic	Priority	Action
Pathways	High	Improvements within Area A. Creating an accessible route incorporating Area A improvements. Potentially create a circular route around the wildflower meadow area and pond.
	Medium	Improvements within Area C.
	High	Repair Gates 5 and 9.
Gateways	Medium	Consider removal of gates not adjacent to Manor Road i.e., Gate 1 and Gate 10. Dependent on the above, improve the accessibility of Gate 1 as the Windrush Road/Minsmere Road car park provides the most accessible parking for wheelchair/mobility scooter users.
	Low	Improve the accessibility of other gates/entrances where appropriate. Consider installing radar keys to aid the operation of bridle gates for disabled users.
	High	Install new seating in the wildflower meadow area and at access point 1/2 (within the woodland boundary).
Seating/resting places	Medium	Install new seating next to the pond.
	Low	Install new seating in the area south of Manor Road.
	Medium	Update existing signage and maps.
Signage	Medium	Consider new locations for signs to provide more information on wildlife and nature, to promote courteous behaviour and to aid wayfinding.
	Medium	Install the new ponds and scrub habitat as set out within the Ecologists' recommendations.
Nature/biodiversity	Medium	Explore other measures to encourage greater biodiversity.

Topic	Priority	Action
Natural play	Medium	Explore opportunities to incorporate natural play/play on the way facilities using the natural environment.
Activities/events	Low	Organise nature trails and practical volunteering opportunities.
Maintenance	High	Develop a new maintenance plan for the wildflower meadow and existing pond and implement associated improvements.

Appendix A - Maps, pictures and guidance text

Question 9

Availability of car parking - This means being able to park a car or motorbike near enough to a woodland entrance which is convenient for you.

Quality and maintenance of pathways- This means having pathways which are safe and easy to use in the parts of the woodland you usually visit.

Ease of access - This means having entrances in locations which are convenient enough for you, and easy enough for you to use.

Provision of seating - This means having enough suitable seats for you, in convenient places.

Concerns about personal safety - This means feeling safe to spend time in the woodland.

Question 13 and Question 14

Examples of 'natural play opportunities'- wobble beams, den-building, stepping logs, and/or rope swings



Question 16

Long-distance recreation routes near to the woodland include:

- the River Avon Trail
- the Bristol and Bath Railway Path
- the Forest of Avon Community Forest Path
- the Avon Cycleway

Question 17

Guided walks - Guided walks to learn about the plants, trees and animals within the woodland.

Nature trails - Trails through the woodland highlighting points of natural interest

Forest school activities - Outdoor activities and play which enable children's natural ways of growing, learning and thriving.

Practical volunteering - A range of tasks to help conserve, enhance and maintain the woodland.

Question 18

Ponds are beneficial for wildlife as they can support a variety of plants, birds and fish.

Question 19

Wildflower meadows provide a number of benefits, such as stabilising the soil which can help prevent flooding, and providing bees and butterflies with food throughout the year.

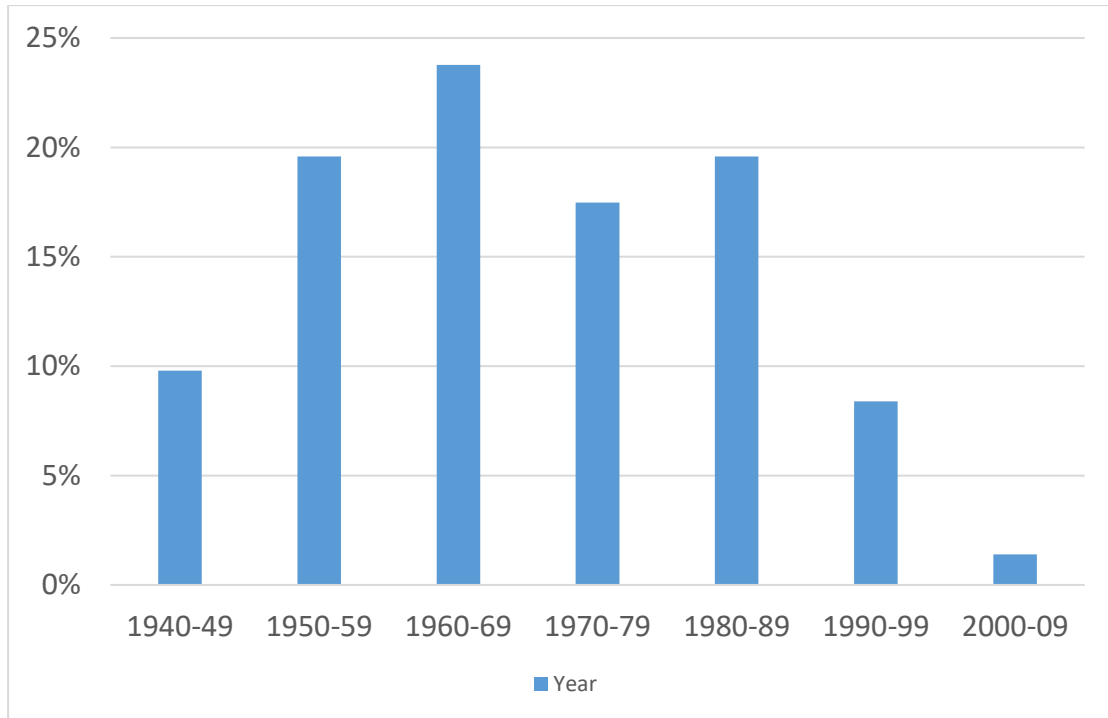
Question 21

The Friends of Manor Road Community Woodland, who help to monitor and manage the woodland, were established in 2002.

Appendix B - Equality Monitoring Analysis

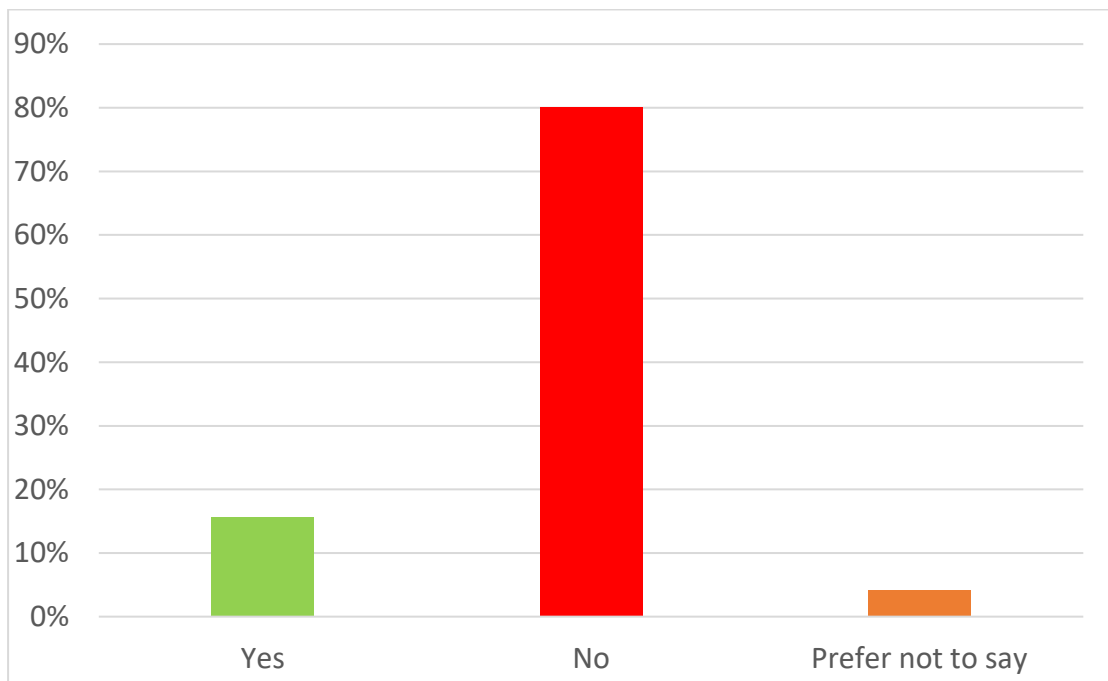
1. What is your date of birth?

Response rate - 86%



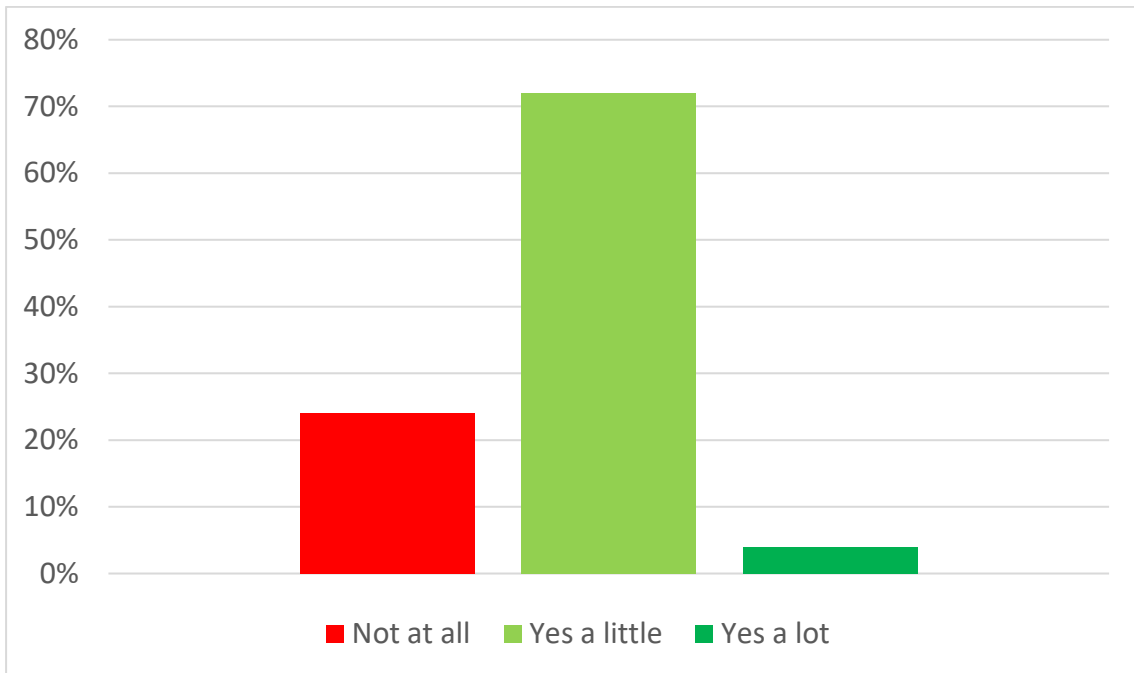
2. Do you have any physical or mental health conditions or illness lasting, or expected to last, 12 months or more?

Response rate - 100%



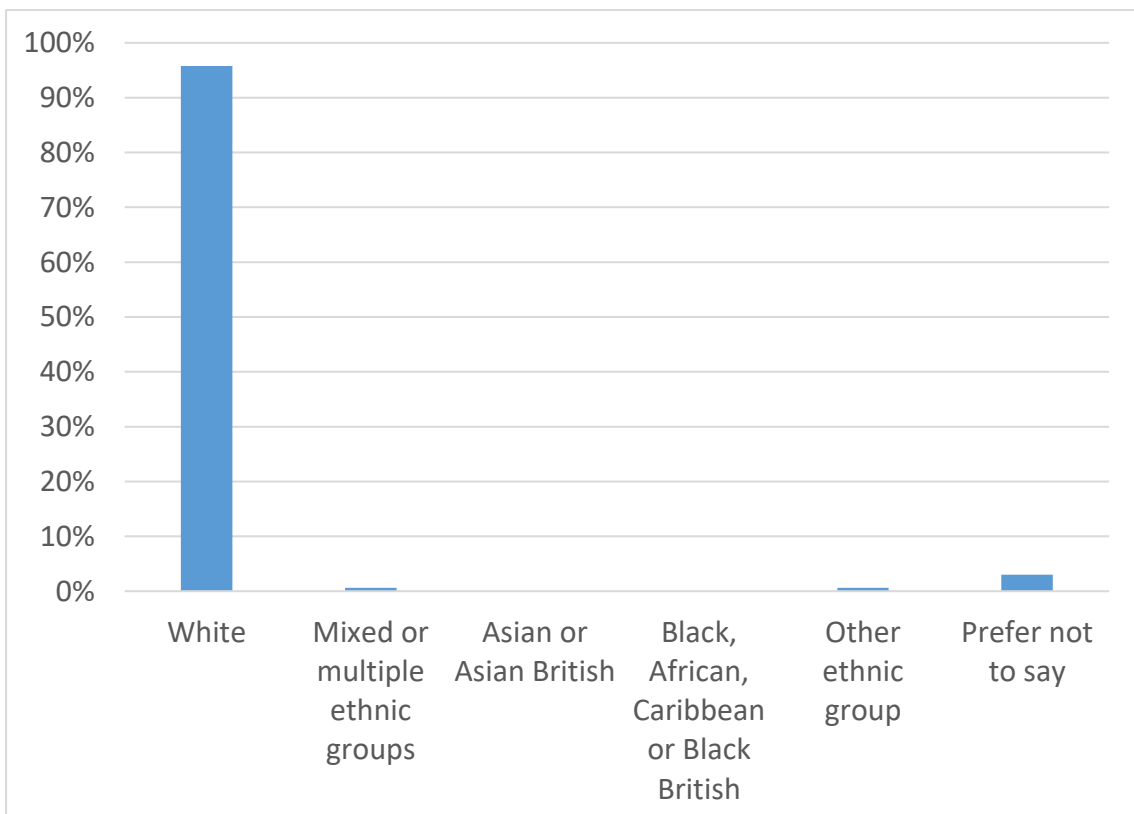
3. Do any of your conditions or illnesses affect your ability to carry out day to day activities?

Response rate - 96%



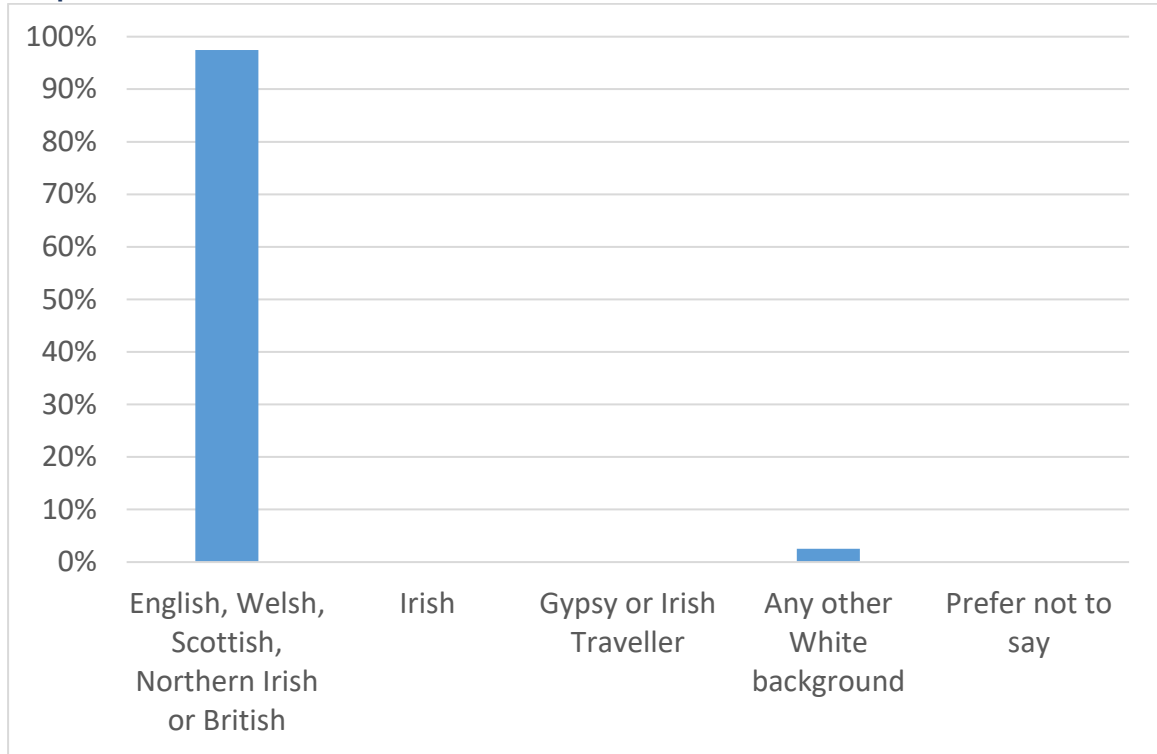
4. What is your ethnic group?

Response rate - 100%



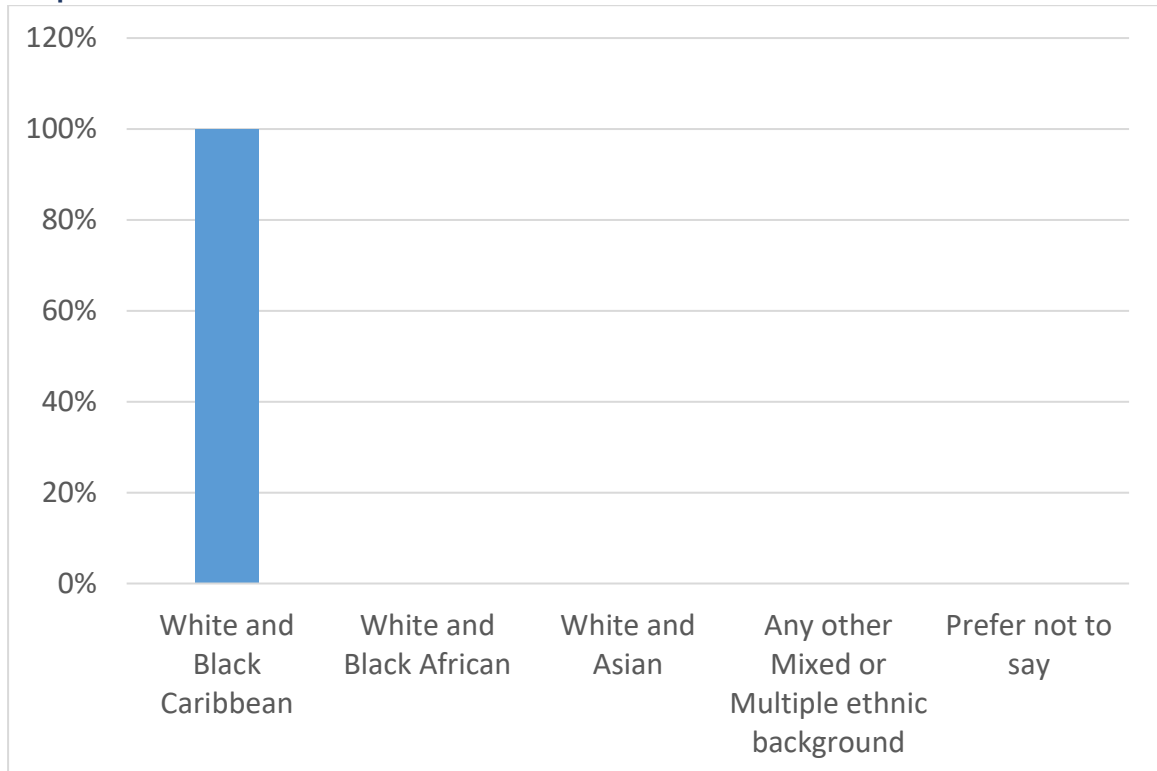
5. Which of the following best describes your White background?

Response rate - 99%



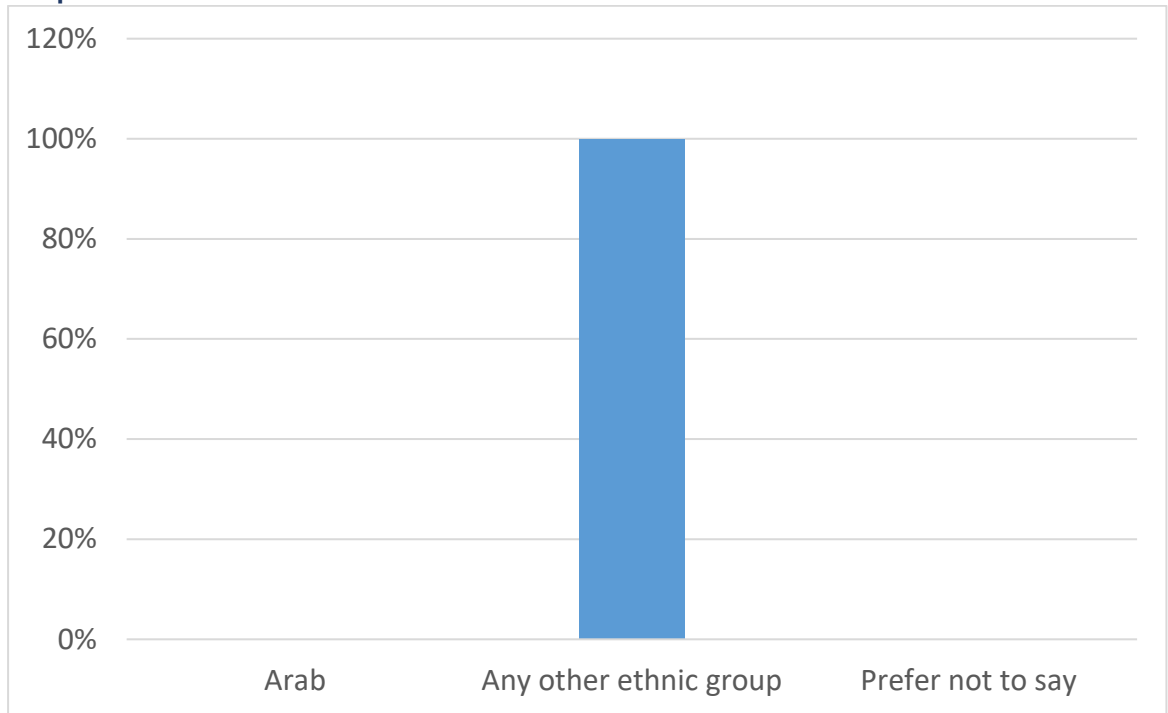
6. Which of the following best describes your Mixed or Multiple ethnic groups background?

Response rate - 100%



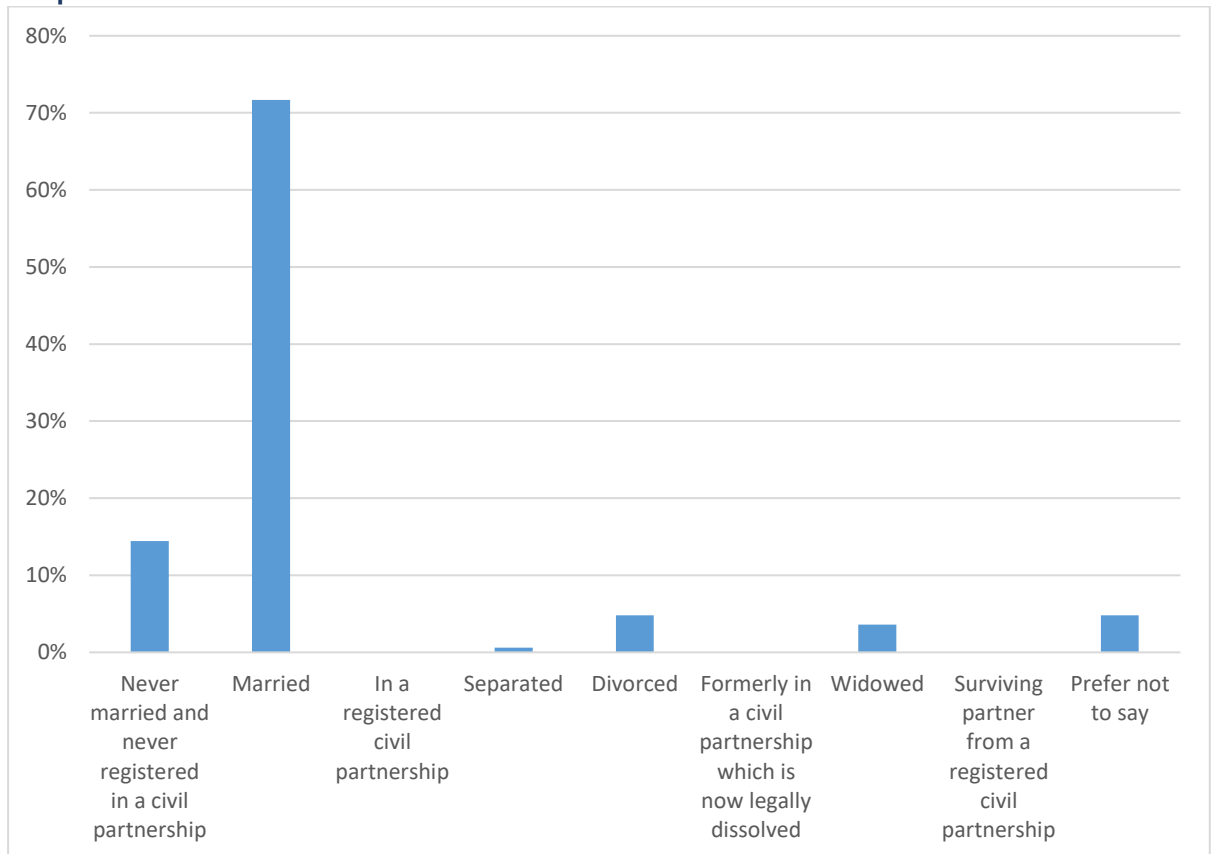
7. Which of the following best describes your background?

Response rate - 100%



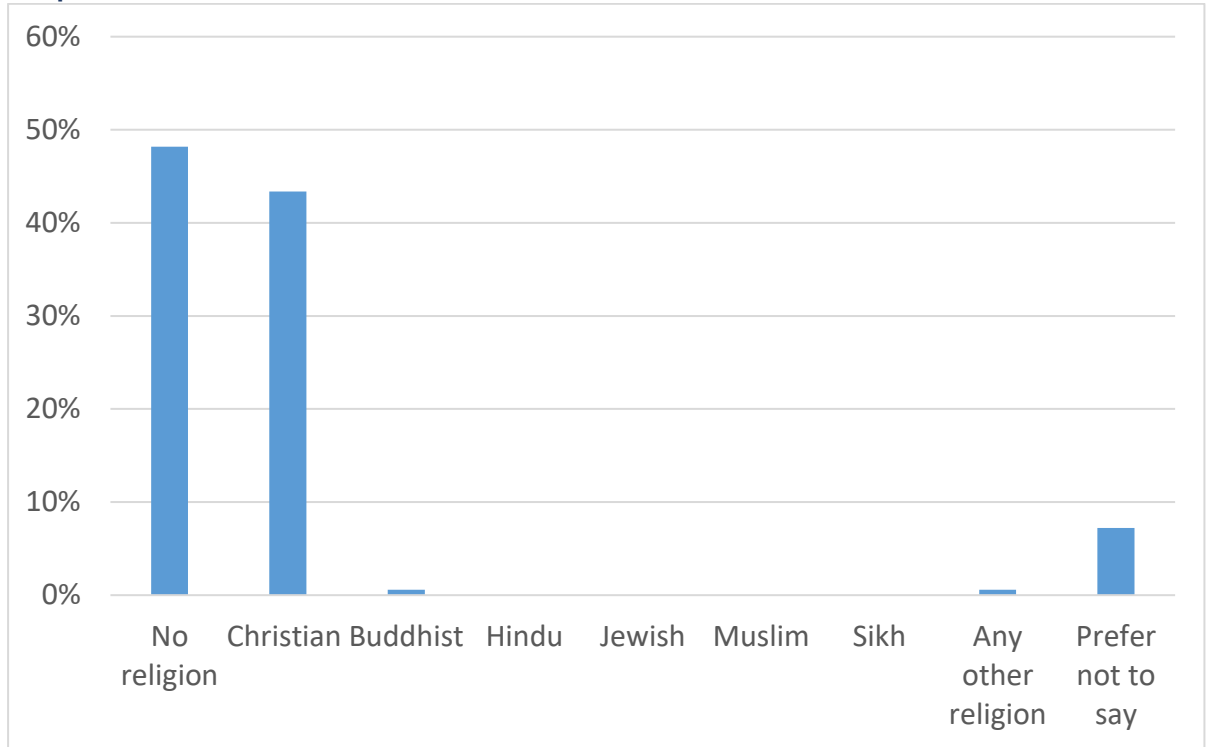
8. What is your legal marital or registered civil partnership status?

Response rate - 100%



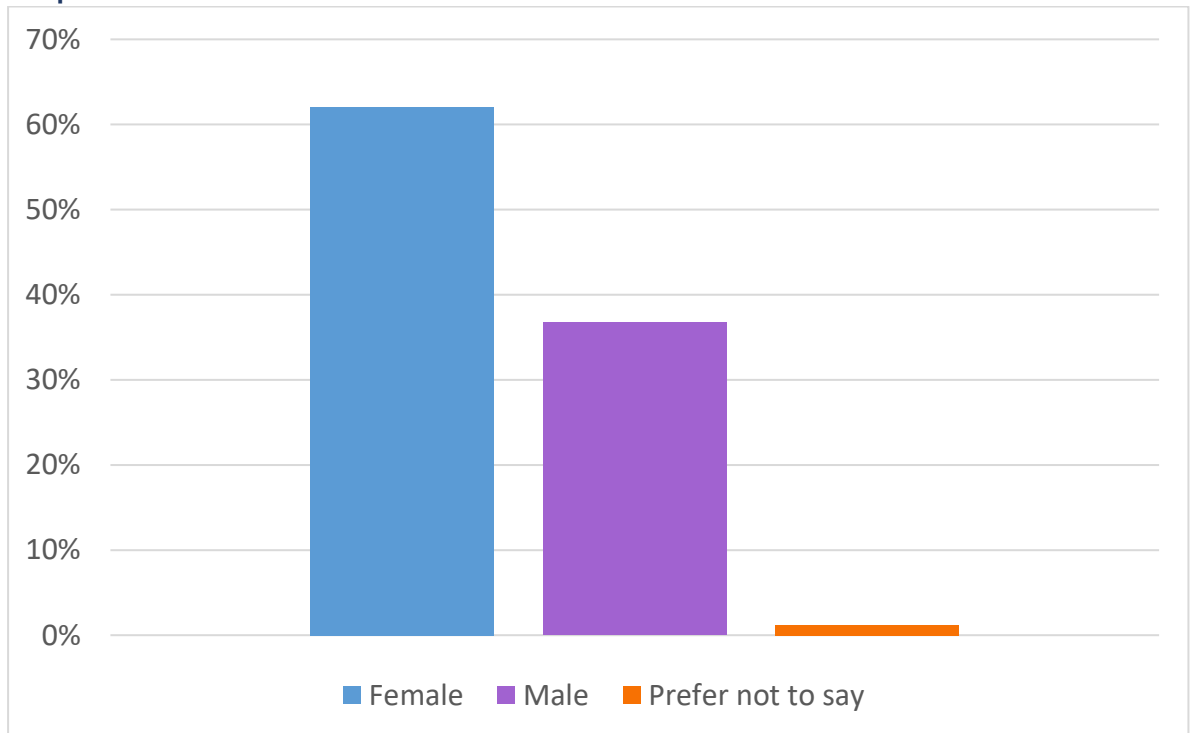
9. What is your religion?

Response rate - 100%



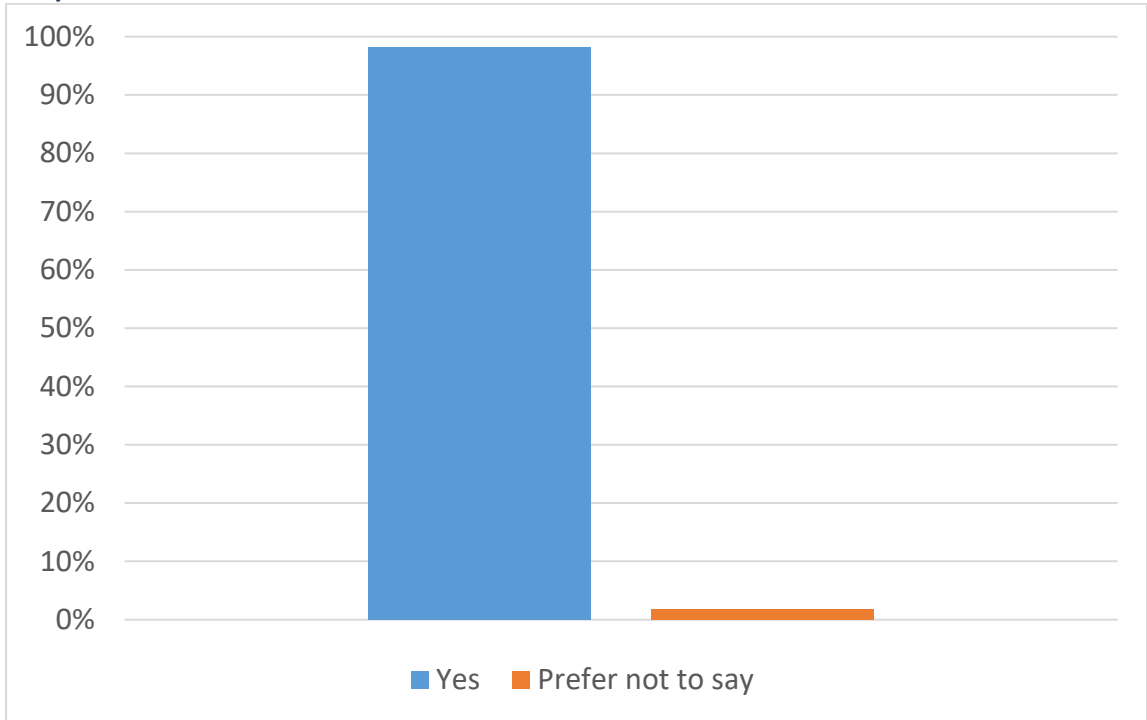
10. What is your sex, as registered at birth?

Response rate - 100%



11. Is the gender you identify with the same as your sex, as registered at birth?

Response rate - 100%



12. Which of the following best describes your sexual orientation?

Response rate - 99%

