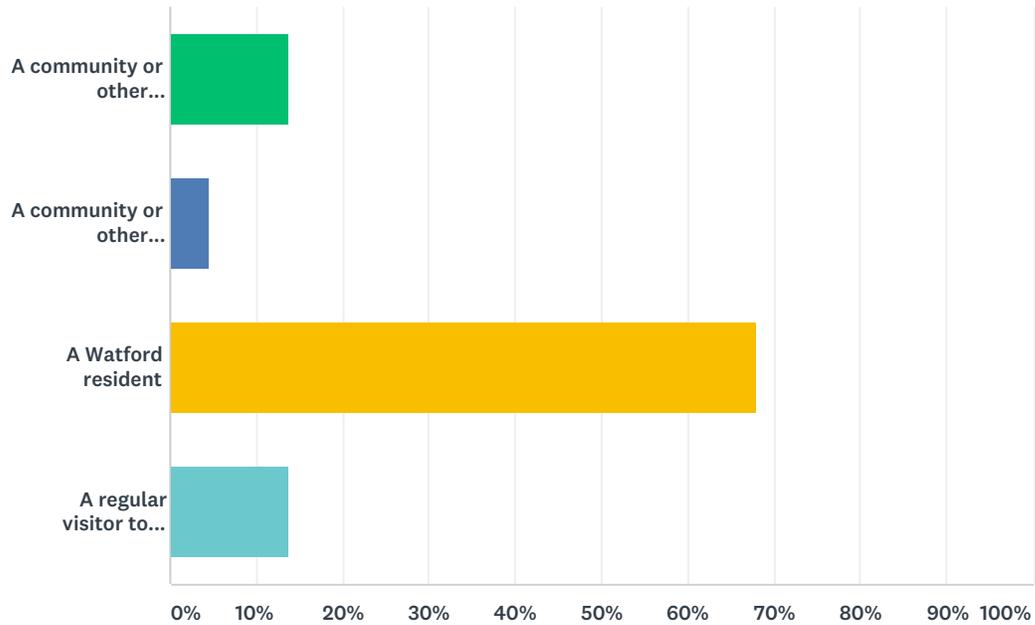


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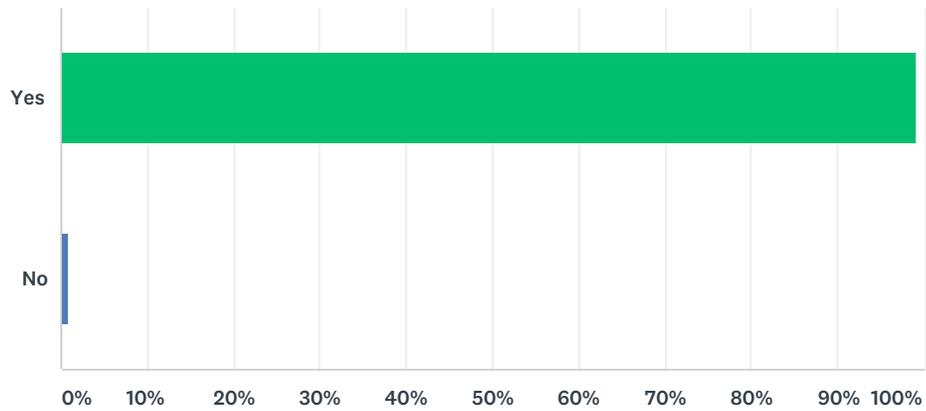
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
A community or other organisation based in Watford	13.74%	18
A community or other organisation based outside of Watford	4.58%	6
A Watford resident	67.94%	89
A regular visitor to Watford (including someone who works in Watford but does not live in the borough)	13.74%	18
TOTAL		131

## Q2 Before taking this survey, were you aware that the River Colne runs through Watford?

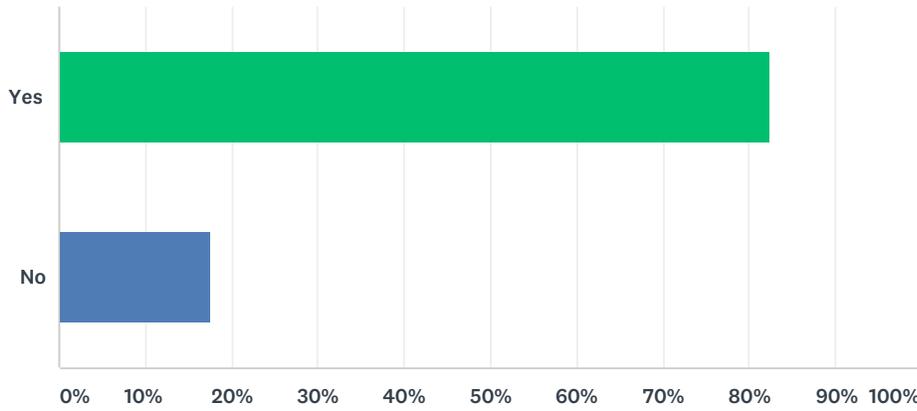
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	99.22%	128
No	0.78%	1
TOTAL		129

### Q3 Do you know which parts of Watford the Colne runs through?

Answered: 131 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	82.44%	108
No	17.56%	23
TOTAL		131

## Q4 Which stretches of the Colne do you know?

Answered: 96 Skipped: 36

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Knutsford playing fields, and Lower High Street.	10/8/2019 2:29 PM
2	Oxhey Park, Riverside Rd, Radlett Rd, Tesco	10/8/2019 1:28 AM
3	Hospital, knutsfeild rugby park	10/7/2019 8:30 PM
4	The part of the river in West Watford at the back of the hospital	10/7/2019 11:58 AM
5	Bushey mill lane to tesco	10/6/2019 7:58 PM
6	Cutting across Water Lane, past the front of Tesco, then leading up to Oxhey Park, going through the park then along the Ebury Way. Not sure where else though	10/6/2019 1:50 PM
7	Radlett Road Playing Fields Munden Estate Arches Retail Park Ebury Way	10/5/2019 3:20 PM
8	Radlette Road	10/5/2019 10:52 AM
9	Riverwell / Lower High Street / Tesco / Water Lane / Stephenson Way / through to A41	10/4/2019 8:55 PM
10	The park area near the Meridon estate and the section that runs by Tesco	10/4/2019 8:13 PM
11	From the Munden Estate through to Wiggenhall Road.	10/3/2019 7:11 PM
12	Most of it.	10/2/2019 6:07 PM
13	Oxhey park	10/1/2019 7:28 PM
14	bushey mill lane, radlett road,to lower high street.	10/1/2019 6:44 PM
15	Hamper mill to Oxhey Park	10/1/2019 3:25 PM
16	Radlett Road and under the arches Water Lane and park Past Tesco supermarket/Lower High Street Oxhey Park Towards Ebury Way	9/30/2019 7:01 PM
17	Munden Estate	9/29/2019 12:33 PM
18	Riverside and near tesco	9/25/2019 10:37 PM
19	Oxhey Park Radlett Road Along by tesco Ebury way	9/25/2019 7:47 AM
20	By Bushey Arches	9/25/2019 7:29 AM
21	All of it and some	9/25/2019 7:03 AM
22	Oxhey Park As I walk over the bridge on lower high street By Tesco's & parts as is runs north to A41	9/25/2019 6:54 AM
23	Water lane, west Watford	9/25/2019 1:14 AM
24	Most familiar with the route from North Watford (Meriden) through to South Watford/Oxhey	9/24/2019 11:27 PM
25	Parallel with A4008.	9/24/2019 10:40 PM
26	Radlett Road Park and to Tesco etc	9/24/2019 6:34 PM
27	At Rickmansworth	9/24/2019 10:46 AM
28	All	9/22/2019 12:54 AM
29	Croxley Moor, Aquadrome Rickmansworth	9/21/2019 8:27 PM
30	around Radlett road area and Oxhey park	9/21/2019 8:09 PM
31	Oxhey Park Waterfields Railway Arches Alongside Radlett Road Otterspool	9/21/2019 12:30 PM
32	From Bricket Wood all the way through Watford into Rickmansworth. As a child was taken on my first fishing trip to the Colne off Radlett Road, also as a child fished it in the Munden estate. Still fish it in Rickmansworth/West Hyde 55 years later!	9/21/2019 12:23 PM

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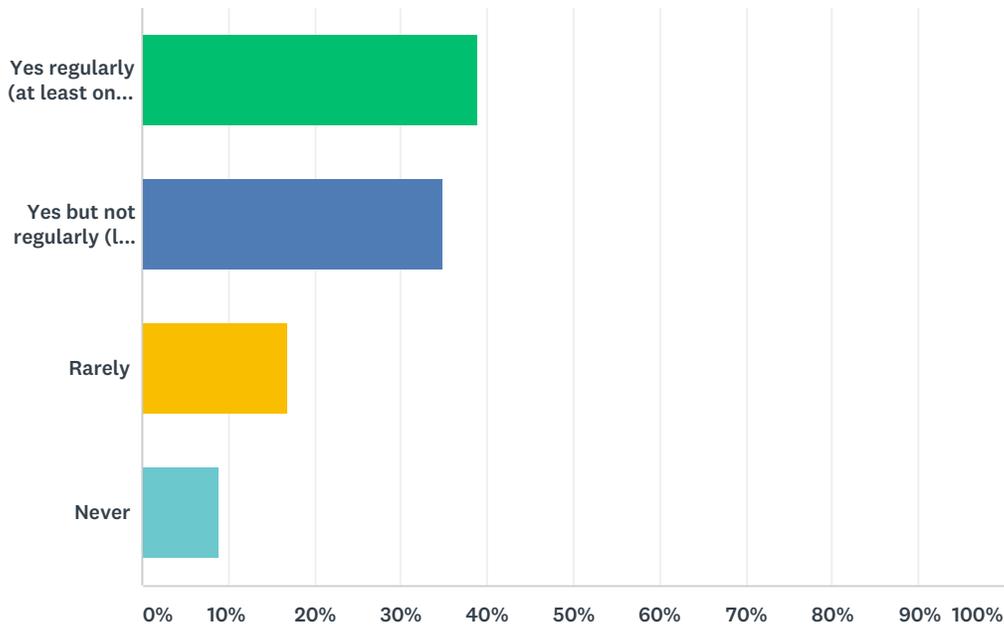
33	All	9/21/2019 12:20 PM
34	From where it joins with the Ver in Bricket Wood through to Rickmansworth.	9/21/2019 12:25 AM
35	Radlet rd and central Watford area	9/20/2019 6:22 PM
36	Cassiobury park, near imperial way	9/20/2019 5:02 PM
37	Oxhey Park, lairige land and though the farm.	9/20/2019 2:33 PM
38	I know the stretches in Oxhey Park, along the Ebury Way and near the Rickmansworth lakes best, but have recently walked the stretch up to Rugby club on Radlett Rd. I	9/20/2019 9:53 AM
39	All of it - I run 3 times a week and at least once a week I run along stretches of the river. I usually start my river runs in Oxhey Park and either go upstream, sometimes as far as where the River Ver joins (and beyond to St Albans) or downstream to Ricky and down to Harefield.	9/20/2019 8:55 AM
40	Radlett road playing fields near Greatham Road Rickmansworth close to Batchworth	9/20/2019 12:08 AM
41	From Garston, North Watford, especially Radlett Road and through to Denham/Uxbridge.	9/19/2019 11:36 PM
42	Cassiobury Park	9/19/2019 10:38 PM
43	Part of the Colne that runs under the arches next to Waterdells Park The part that runs through Oxhey Park The part that continues from Oxhey Park, passed Riverside at the back of the hospital, passed the Lairage and on under the Ebury Way passed Brightwells Farm to Hamper Mill.	9/19/2019 10:31 AM
44	Radlett Road Bushey Mill Lane	9/19/2019 9:19 AM
45	From Link Way through Oxhey Park to the Lairage land at Vicarage Road and beyond the borough boundary toward Rickmansworth	9/19/2019 8:52 AM
46	From bushey mill lane, knutsford playing fields, radlett road playing field, waterfields park, by Tesco, to oxhey park.	9/18/2019 11:07 PM
47	Casiobury park	9/18/2019 10:23 PM
48	Watford Rickmansworth	9/18/2019 7:30 PM
49	Eastbury Road, by Tesco and Lane, Radlett Road playing fields, past Munden Farm	9/18/2019 3:47 PM
50	the entire stretch from Otterspool to Rickmansworth	9/17/2019 10:50 PM
51	Knutsford Estate to West Watford	9/17/2019 1:56 PM
52	The stretch of the river going Batchworth Heath area, along the bottom of Oxhey Park and through Watford.	9/17/2019 1:33 PM
53	From the A41 down to past Oxhey Hall, thereafter I believe it joins the canal near Rickmansworth.	9/17/2019 1:22 PM
54	All of it	9/16/2019 10:16 PM
55	Mainly around rickmansworth and mill end	9/16/2019 9:42 PM
56	Munden Estate Knutsford Playing Fields, Radlett Road Playing Fields, Waterfields. Oxhey Park	9/16/2019 5:20 PM
57	I have been on walks along the river through Riverside Park and Riverside Recreation Ground which is my favourite green spot in Watford.	9/16/2019 3:33 PM
58	oxhey park, lower reaches	9/16/2019 10:36 AM
59	By Top Golf By Tesco By Oxhey Park Towards Rickmansworth	9/15/2019 12:25 PM
60	Radlett road, Oxhey park, riverside road	9/15/2019 9:19 AM
61	From the bushey arches past the watford rugby club	9/14/2019 10:45 PM
62	A41 to link road;	9/14/2019 4:57 PM
63	By Tesco & those mentioned above	9/14/2019 2:19 PM
64	From Top Golf to Tesco	9/14/2019 10:32 AM
65	OXHEY PARK	9/14/2019 9:45 AM
66	The whole of it through Watford and in addition I have walked it all, as closely as that is possible, between Colney Heath and Staines, some of it several times.	9/13/2019 11:20 PM

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67	From North Watford to Tesco.	9/13/2019 10:08 PM
68	the bit that runs passed Tesco Extra and the bit near Wall Hall	9/13/2019 7:01 PM
69	By radlet road	9/13/2019 6:21 PM
70	Mundens Estate Knutsford playing fields Oxhey Park	9/13/2019 6:16 PM
71	Near Ricksmanworth	9/13/2019 5:31 PM
72	Near the hospital Past Tesco and parallel to Radlett Road Through the Mundens and along to the stepping stones	9/13/2019 5:27 PM
73	Watford	9/13/2019 4:28 PM
74	Stretches near the A41 Colne Way, Radlett Road playing fields and Riverside Park.	9/13/2019 3:39 PM
75	Watford Museum has information on all of the Colne in Watford, in particular places of interest like the site of the old lido	9/13/2019 3:07 PM
76	Through Waterfields park and Tesco's. Along radlett road	9/13/2019 12:26 PM
77	Knutsford Playing Fields, Radlett Rd Playing Fields, Waterfields Recreational Ground and Tesco's	9/12/2019 10:04 PM
78	North Watford to Lower High street	9/12/2019 9:34 PM
79	Riverside rec, Oxhey Park, Tesco, Waterfields rec, Radlett Road Rec, Knutsford Rec.	9/12/2019 4:56 PM
80	All of them	9/12/2019 4:28 PM
81	x	9/12/2019 3:33 PM
82	Knutsford Playing Fields, Timberlake Allotments, Radlett Road Playing Fields, Waterfields Recreation Ground, Oxhey Park, Riverside Recreation Ground and Lairage Land	9/12/2019 3:08 PM
83	w	9/12/2019 2:59 PM
84	Section from Tesco to the A41 and through the Munden Estate Section around Bushey Arches and through Oxhey Park Views of river from from cycle path on old railway from Wiggenghall Road to Croxley Common Moor	9/12/2019 2:45 PM
85	From Bricket Wood to the Watford town centre	9/12/2019 1:52 PM
86	dont know the name sorry	9/12/2019 1:47 PM
87	Through Rickmansworth and Waterfields, Oxhey park, Knutsford, Riverside park, Watford Riverwell.	9/12/2019 1:31 PM
88	Knutsford, Cassiobury, Waterfields, Edbury Way. Broadacres, Thurlows, Castles and Tolpits lakes and StanlesPools.	9/12/2019 1:23 PM
89	Oxhey Park , Cassiobury Park , Riverside, Knutsford etc	9/12/2019 1:19 PM
90	Most of it in the Watford area - from Bricket Wood, through passed the M1 link road past Watford Rugby Club, down past Tesco superstore, through the lower high street, on through Oxhey park, behind Vicarage road and beyond to Merchant Taylors where I went to school and then in to Rickmansworth.	9/12/2019 1:08 PM
91	I regularly walk/cycle along the section between Bushey Mill Lane and Water Lane. I am familiar with the section west of Wiggenghall Road, from working on the Croxley Rail Link project. I sometimes walk alongside and cross the river at various points between the A41 and Drop Lane.	9/12/2019 1:04 PM
92	Bricket wood to the Mundens	9/12/2019 12:45 PM
93	The stretch from the Radlet Road playing fields all the way to Tesco, through Tesco and out through Oxhey Park and then on along Riverside park and then under the Ebury way in two places.	9/12/2019 12:28 PM
94	Rickmansworth, Denham, Uxbridge	9/12/2019 12:22 PM
95	Around the edge of town - by the large Tesco (which is filthy), Oxhey Park, Cassiobury Park etc	9/11/2019 9:37 PM
96	The parts you can easily access at Cassiobury Park, around the large Tesco (where it is very polluted with trash and infested with rats around the the flyover), Oxhey Park and along the Ebury Way.	9/11/2019 1:29 PM

## Q5 Do you / your organisation currently use the River Colne corridor (the open spaces around the river)?

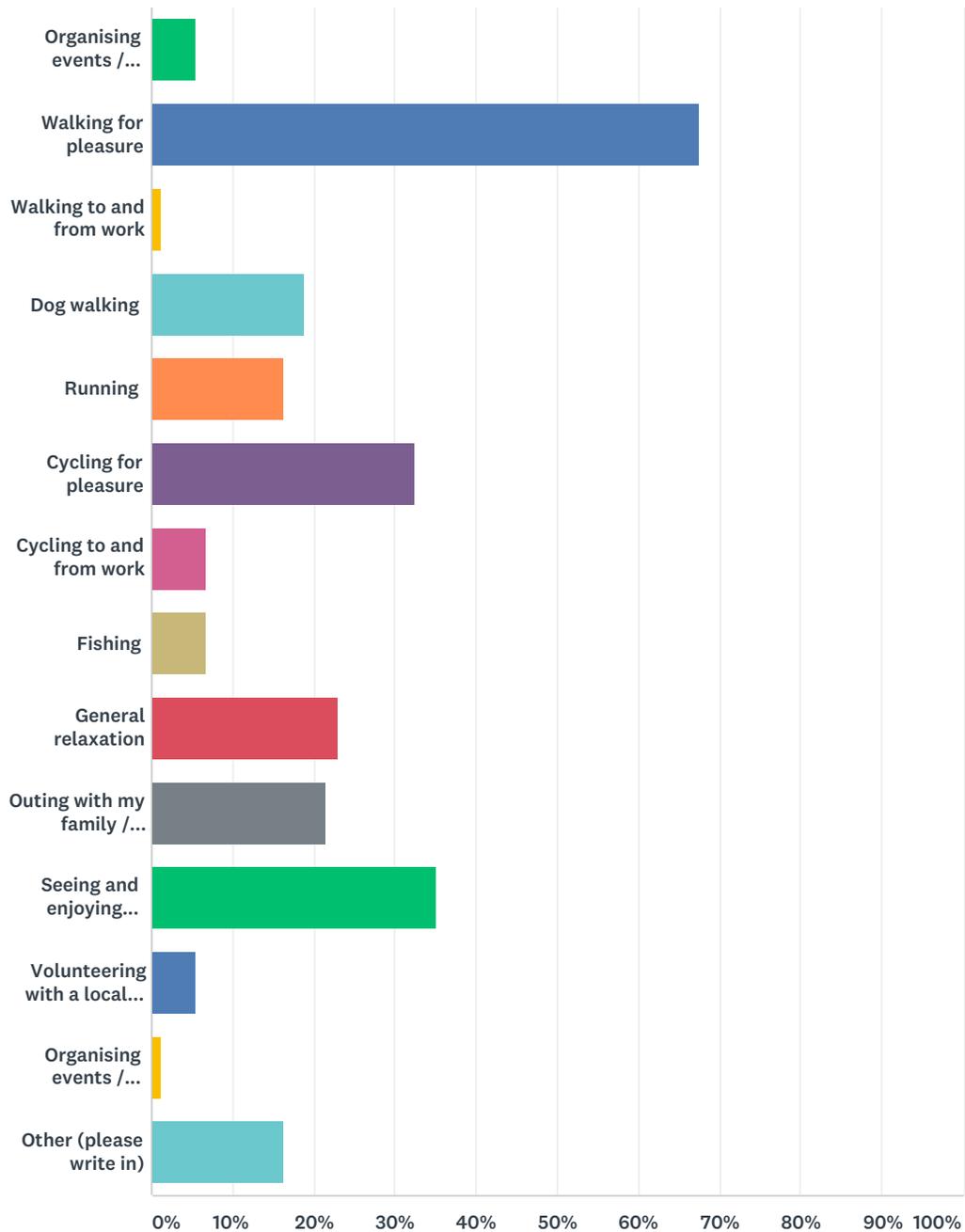
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes regularly (at least once a month)	39.00%	39
Yes but not regularly (less than once a month)	35.00%	35
Rarely	17.00%	17
Never	9.00%	9
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>100</b>

## Q6 For what reasons do you currently use the Colne river corridor in Watford? Please tick all that apply

Answered: 74 Skipped: 58



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Organising events / activities	5.41%	4
Walking for pleasure	67.57%	50
Walking to and from work	1.35%	1
Dog walking	18.92%	14

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Running	16.22%	12
Cycling for pleasure	32.43%	24
Cycling to and from work	6.76%	5
Fishing	6.76%	5
General relaxation	22.97%	17
Outing with my family / children	21.62%	16
Seeing and enjoying wildlife	35.14%	26
Volunteering with a local group	5.41%	4
Organising events / activities	1.35%	1
Other (please write in)	16.22%	12
Total Respondents: 74		

#	OTHER (PLEASE WRITE IN)	DATE
1	walking to shops	10/4/2019 8:56 PM
2	The Courtlands residents Association does not have any role here but its members do use the river as above.	10/3/2019 7:14 PM
3	Conservation projects to conserve the Colne's habitats and its wildlife.	10/2/2019 6:08 PM
4	Walking into Watford for various events/occasions	9/30/2019 7:02 PM
5	Gardening work	9/21/2019 8:27 PM
6	Swam near Rickmansworth once	9/20/2019 9:54 AM
7	When I was a boy I took my canoe on to the river. I would love to be able to swim in the river and swim regularly in Moor Park lake at Merchants Taylor	9/20/2019 8:57 AM
8	canoeing	9/18/2019 3:33 PM
9	I would like to enjoy the wildlife if there was any	9/16/2019 10:17 PM
10	Manage parks and open spaces.	9/12/2019 4:58 PM
11	x	9/12/2019 3:33 PM
12	Veolia manage the parks and open spaces on behalf of Watford Borough Council	9/12/2019 3:09 PM

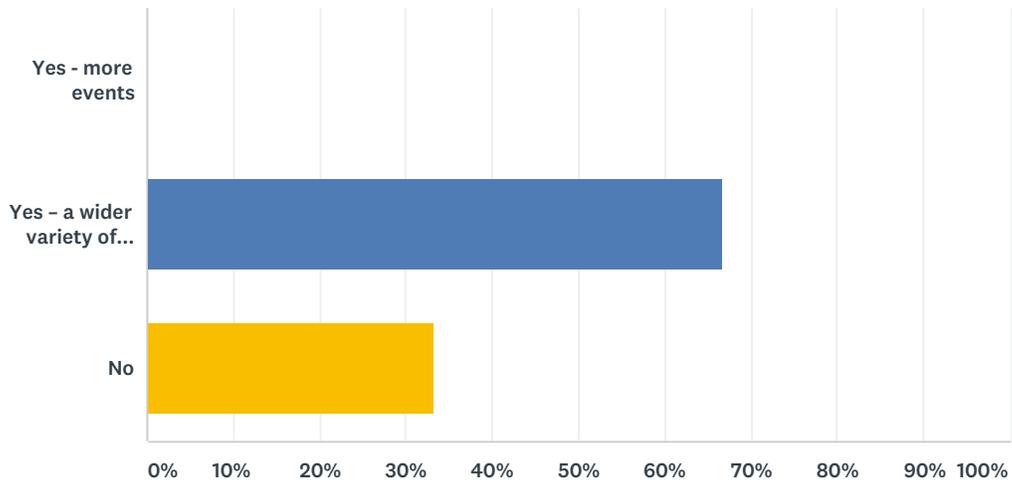
## Q7 What does your organisation currently offer in regards to events / activities on or about the River Colne? Please write in.

Answered: 3 Skipped: 129

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	HMWT - a programme of events led through various projects.	10/2/2019 6:12 PM
2	Cycle rides	9/21/2019 12:21 PM
3	Chair of Friends of Oxhey Park do regular park and river clear ups, work with community payback organise weekly activities for them, work with various schools.	9/12/2019 4:30 PM

## Q8 Would you like to be able to offer more or a wider variety of events / activities than at present?

Answered: 3 Skipped: 129



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes - more events	0.00%	0
Yes – a wider variety of events	66.67%	2
No	33.33%	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3</b>

Q9 Is there anything that prevents you / would prevent you from offering additional events / activities that at present? Please write in below.

Answered: 2 Skipped: 130

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Resources	10/2/2019 6:12 PM
2	Improved access for cycling, Wider safer tracks.	9/21/2019 12:22 PM

## Q10 Are there any events or activities that you would like to see in future on or around the River Colne that you think would encourage more people to get involved with the river? Please write in below.

Answered: 54 Skipped: 78

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	More people involved with Green Gym	10/6/2019 7:59 PM
2	Could it be opened up a bit in Oxhey Park and used for boating, e.g. rowing boats like in Regents Park? Not sure about impact on wildlife though. Activities for children to introduce them to the flora and fauna in and around the water. Something at the weekend rather than in school groups would be good	10/6/2019 1:53 PM
3	Would like to see more bins near the Riverside as I regular pickup rubbish while walking along it. Access to waders and cleaning equipment so residents can volunteer to help keep the river clean	10/5/2019 3:22 PM
4	picnics	10/5/2019 10:53 AM
5	public "litter-pick" events; bio-blitz events	10/4/2019 8:58 PM
6	Wildlife sessions	10/4/2019 8:14 PM
7	Organised walks Improved foot ways and separation of cycle and walkways at certain points to improve safety.	10/3/2019 7:17 PM
8	More family-based events.	10/2/2019 6:12 PM
9	fishing	10/1/2019 6:45 PM
10	River cleaning. Wildlife watching	10/1/2019 3:26 PM
11	Small concerts by local groups/ schools?	9/30/2019 7:03 PM
12	Wild open space - wild life enjoyment ? Swimming ?	9/25/2019 6:57 AM
13	#Trashtag challenge: volunteers pick up a little or a lot of litter surrounding or in the river itself	9/24/2019 11:30 PM
14	Litter picks Cycling trails	9/24/2019 6:35 PM
15	Making sure the river bank is accessible and kept clean/litter free. Perhaps having a River Ranger (like a park ranger) to encourage users to interact with the environment and keep it clean	9/24/2019 11:02 AM
16	Conservation work Walking Guided tours Open spaces and parks Good new architecture incorporating the river	9/21/2019 8:29 PM
17	First action would be a clean up, improved access and better flow	9/21/2019 8:11 PM
18	Access & information	9/21/2019 12:23 PM
19	Would be good to see more water in it	9/21/2019 12:27 AM
20	Fit camps on colney valley area by radlett nriad	9/20/2019 6:23 PM
21	Organised walks for wildlife, like bat walks, moth evenings etc.	9/20/2019 2:35 PM
22	If the river was cleaner there are places where one can paddle or swim. I noticed recently though that what appeared to be raw sewage was pouring in to the river along the stretch to the north of Waver Lane, there was a strong stink. So I would not consider doing these activities until the issue is dealt with	9/20/2019 9:59 AM
23	Swimming Canoeing	9/20/2019 8:57 AM
24	Raft races, picnics	9/20/2019 12:09 AM
25	Teach children to fish and get to know what lives in and around the river	9/19/2019 11:37 PM

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26	People, especially schools and children could be encouraged to help with the maintenance of the river (I know some schools are already involved) Very difficult to envisage how the Colne could be used for water activities. Boating would be good!	9/19/2019 10:33 AM
27	Make all paths by river feel safe - some are under bridges, hard to see. I sometimes feel unsafe when running alone. More footbridges over river. Stop people dealing drugs or camping by riverside.	9/18/2019 11:10 PM
28	Nature days..... Kids fishing	9/18/2019 10:24 PM
29	More taking care and nature walks introducing more wildlife	9/18/2019 7:33 PM
30	More events getting to know stretches of the river, Children's activities such as exploring the river or the shallower parts would be great and making sure it is clean and has plenty of biodiversity	9/18/2019 3:48 PM
31	canoeing	9/18/2019 3:33 PM
32	events/ open days to make people appreciate the river, however need to clean up some poor stretches first	9/17/2019 10:52 PM
33	While some ideas (e.g. kayaking) may be understandably attractive for some (e.g. to link all the way to the Grand Union Canal at Rickmansworth, if possible?), I can see their downsides also, so for kayaking you'd probably need to do some dredging / regulation (too expensive) as a safety issue, plus even if it were done it could well be a big disruption to wildlife. In summary, the stretch from Oxhey Park towards Rickmansworth (I am most familiar with the Ebury Way by bike / walking nearby) is already highly attractive & most peaceful, simplest may be to just safeguard the existing natural environment, "if it ain't broke, don't fix it".	9/17/2019 1:30 PM
34	No, there are too many people already.	9/16/2019 10:17 PM
35	Events to show what wildlife can be seen in the area people don't know what is on their doorstep	9/16/2019 9:45 PM
36	Remove the cray fish; de-silt along its length; restock with viable river fish species; improve banks for fishing access at various points (swims).	9/14/2019 4:59 PM
37	Boating in oxhey park Volunteer days and groups as in Cassiobury	9/14/2019 2:20 PM
38	WHITE WATER RAFTING	9/14/2019 9:46 AM
39	A cleaner river. Details of routes to walk.	9/13/2019 5:32 PM
40	No	9/13/2019 4:29 PM
41	I would like to see a cycle path along the stretch of the Colne as it is flat and covers a lot of ground. I would like to see lots more opportunities for children to pond dip and paddle in the river, if it was cleaned up and made good it could be a focal point for spending quality leisure time for all families	9/13/2019 12:28 PM
42	River / Nature things - activities/walks	9/12/2019 10:05 PM
43	Restoration project to open up the river and encourage better/increased biodiversity.	9/12/2019 4:59 PM
44	Outfall monitoring, riverfly monitoring, reporting litter & pollution, invasive species control.	9/12/2019 4:31 PM
45	x	9/12/2019 3:33 PM
46	regular american signal crayfish trapping works to increase the flow of the river removal of invasive species like himalayan balsam	9/12/2019 3:11 PM
47	Not clear if this is about directly with the river or the general vicinity. The river itself isn't particularly accessible because of either steep banks or dense vegetation.	9/12/2019 2:49 PM
48	Maybe something like the Green Gym only outside of working hours eg. weekends and evenings.	9/12/2019 1:54 PM
49	Clean up events	9/12/2019 1:32 PM
50	General events and activities that may centre around the river. Encouraging the school children to acknowledge the river and parks they have around. Education must include outside activities.	9/12/2019 1:25 PM
51	activities for children	9/12/2019 1:20 PM
52	Walking the route of the river. Wildlife survey by community to build up a picture of diversity.	9/12/2019 1:08 PM

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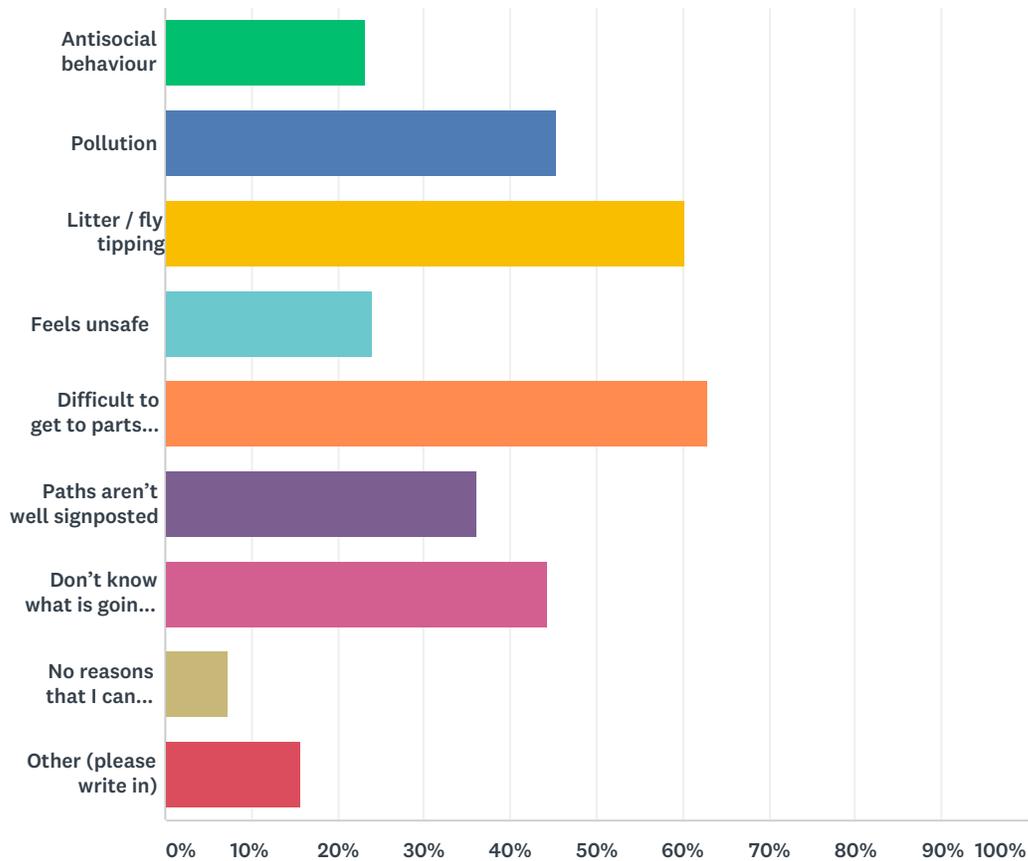
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53	Do something about the horrible Riverwell development plans in West Watford which will destroy the peaceful part of the river - and negatively impact the river colne. Just look how dirty the town pond is, this is what the river will look like thanks to the horrible Riverwell development plans - which will open the river up without any barriers to stop all the rubbish blowing into it (as seen along the stretch near Tesco).	9/11/2019 9:41 PM
54	The Council needs to engage with stakeholders to help clean it up first and to facilitate to STOP the awful Riverwell development - which will only make the pollution problems worse (due to ill thought out plans which will allow more trash to easily wash into the river from all the cheap looking flats). The Riverwell development area should instead be turned it a natural nature reserve with a path alongside the river to encourage local resident wellbeing.	9/11/2019 1:33 PM

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## Q11 In your opinion is there anything that currently prevents people from using the Colne river corridor? Please tick all that apply

Answered: 108 Skipped: 24



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Antisocial behaviour	23.15%	25
Pollution	45.37%	49
Litter / fly tipping	60.19%	65
Feels unsafe	24.07%	26
Difficult to get to parts of the river	62.96%	68
Paths aren't well signposted	36.11%	39
Don't know what is going on around the river	44.44%	48
No reasons that I can think of	7.41%	8
Other (please write in)	15.74%	17
Total Respondents: 108		

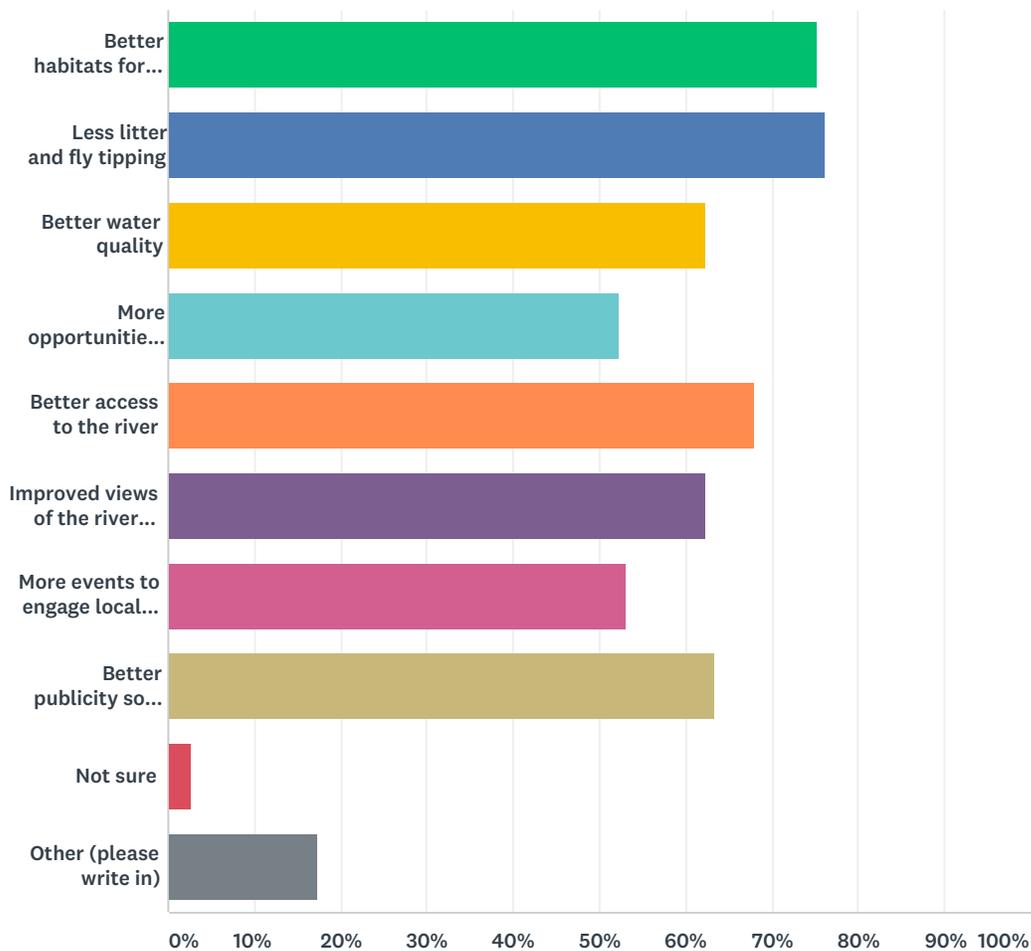
#	OTHER (PLEASE WRITE IN)	DATE
1	Rough sleepers. Often tents in the area with lots of litter.	10/6/2019 8:01 PM

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2	Some paths are (were) closed off following treatment of himalayan balsam and/or japanese knotweed	10/4/2019 8:59 PM
3	General lack of awareness amongst residents of the existence of this river and its paths.	10/3/2019 7:21 PM
4	I am a pensioner and a disabled angler who needs easy access to rivers etc. If I had knowledge of safe areas to someone who needs a walking stick and limited carrying distance, I would like to fish on the River Colne. I have fished on the River Grade many times, in Cassiobury Park and Croxley Green. I also like to fish on the Grand Union Canal.	9/24/2019 10:51 PM
5	The part of the river near me is terrible. The area is full of litter and overgrown. It is a total waste. There is half the wildlife there was a few years ago when I was a kid growing up	9/20/2019 2:45 PM
6	Parking	9/20/2019 12:11 AM
7	very overgrown in places	9/18/2019 3:34 PM
8	The River Colne that flows past the Mercedes garage is rather unattractive and often has litter in it.	9/17/2019 1:35 PM
9	I've never felt threatened along the above stretches. In a way its apparent insignificance is a part of its attraction.	9/17/2019 1:32 PM
10	Laziness. Ignorance	9/16/2019 10:19 PM
11	It hasn't been recognised as a valuable resource	9/14/2019 9:38 AM
12	I was shocked recently to see how overgrown it had become around the lairage land. The footbridge from Moor View was overgrown with brambles and almost impassable. And the river itself was so overgrown that it could not be seen. Also it seems a great pity that a fence was allowed to be erected about a year ago at Lower High Street, preventing the previous access alongside the river towards Waterfields Way.	9/13/2019 11:32 PM
13	Cyclists	9/13/2019 4:30 PM
14	The river is sometimes hidden away from plain view and areas are left to overgrow. development is routed around or covers areas which should be left open. developments need to leave open spaces adjacent to river banks for all to use and for natural flooding.	9/12/2019 1:29 PM
15	Some of the paths are overgrown/muddy (eg Radlett Rd playing fields), almost suggesting that you don't walk beside the river, but take a different route. It's also difficult to see the river in a lot of places .	9/12/2019 1:16 PM
16	The buiding work connected to the horrible Riverwell development in West Watford - which will destroy the peaceful part of the river - and negatively impact the river colne. And the filth in the river around Tesco, which Riverwell will make so much worse.	9/11/2019 9:45 PM
17	Roverwell development building site stops access	9/11/2019 1:34 PM

## Q12 In what ways do you think the River Colne and the river corridor in Watford could be improved? Please tick all that apply.

Answered: 109 Skipped: 23



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Better habitats for wildlife	75.23%	82
Less litter and fly tipping	76.15%	83
Better water quality	62.39%	68
More opportunities for recreation and exercise e.g. fishing, walking, cycling	52.29%	57
Better access to the river	67.89%	74
Improved views of the river corridor	62.39%	68
More events to engage local people with the river	53.21%	58
Better publicity so people know it is there and what is on	63.30%	69
Not sure	2.75%	3
Other (please write in)	17.43%	19

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Total Respondents: 109

#	OTHER (PLEASE WRITE IN)	DATE
1	Lit, make it a Watford feature, trees, dog friendly, no cars, safe and pleasant like cassiobury park, make it a practical walking link between cassiobury park and Town.	10/7/2019 8:35 PM
2	Along alot of areas there is alot of sound pollution from the busy roads. If noise barriers could be built it'd make the River Colne alot more of a tranquil environment for people to enjoy	10/5/2019 3:23 PM
3	Maps at strategic places	9/30/2019 7:05 PM
4	Good urban design to include open spaces people want to use, architecture that enhances the river and relation of Watford to it	9/21/2019 8:31 PM
5	More water, better flow	9/21/2019 12:28 AM
6	Needs managering, need to be cleared from rubbish. Matbe put up some bird boxes.	9/20/2019 2:45 PM
7	There is sewage entering the river between Water Lane and Radlett Rd section.	9/20/2019 10:03 AM
8	Restore (raise) water levels to levels that allow swimming and canoeing	9/20/2019 8:59 AM
9	Improved cycle path. Management of the trees bushes etc to improve the habitat for wildlife in general	9/20/2019 12:11 AM
10	Clear some of the obstructions along the river	9/19/2019 11:39 PM
11	"Better access to river" is tempting, but would need careful management.	9/17/2019 1:32 PM
12	Keeping the river maintained like the NRA used too	9/16/2019 9:48 PM
13	Publication of a Colne River Walk leaflet or booklet, similar (on a smaller scale) to the Thames Walk, which is of course a national trail. Perhaps there already is one?	9/13/2019 11:32 PM
14	Clear overgrown trees and shrubs	9/13/2019 7:02 PM
15	No cycling	9/13/2019 4:30 PM
16	More about the heritage	9/13/2019 3:08 PM
17	More Healthy Walking options	9/12/2019 1:03 PM
18	Do something about the horrible Riverwell development plans in West Watford which will destroy the peaceful part of the river - and negatively impact the river colne. If the Council really cared about the river - and local residents - it would stop the development and turn the land into a lovely nature reserve for future generations and not a dumping ground for trash from all the horrible flats.	9/11/2019 9:45 PM
19	And stop the Riverwell development	9/11/2019 1:34 PM

## Q13 Are there any other comments you would like to share with regard to the River Colne and the river corridor

Answered: 54 Skipped: 78

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	The river needs to be cleaned, the banks restored, and then looked after.	10/8/2019 2:30 PM
2	Regularly a strong smell of sewage at stretch from Water lane to Waterfields rec, under the A411 road bridge. Too much litter on banks as it runs through Tesco. Fenced off area isn't cleaned enough. The section at Lower High St is sad but hopefully with the new development on the old gas works site the riverside environment will be improved. I would like to see name signs on the bridges like you see in some counties when you cross rivers, "River Colne" Particularly on Lower High St and Wigenhall bridges. Improving the the look of the bridges would also help improve the identity and awareness of the river. The Lower High St bridge is horrible and much more should be made of it to respect the river. Presumably somewhere at this point was the historical river crossing where the Ford in the towns name was.	10/8/2019 1:54 AM
3	Stop it being used by sex workers, drunks and druggies.	10/7/2019 8:36 PM
4	No mention in all your reports of the Green Gym volunteers who do a fantastic job keeping the river area clear and clean	10/6/2019 8:03 PM
5	We're very lucky to have the river and glad to see this project and all the hard work being put in. Well-done guys	10/5/2019 3:23 PM
6	it is a nice river near a town.	10/5/2019 10:56 AM
7	Enforcement action needs to be taken (and properly publicised) against those found to be polluting or fly-tipping (e.g. behind Mercedes showroom). Reducing pollution / litter into the river at Watford benefits not only Watford but those communities downstream too. Similarly Watford needs to work with those upstream to ensure the quality of the river as it enters Watford is as good as it can be.	10/4/2019 9:01 PM
8	What the local council is proposing is the be applauded. Thank you	10/4/2019 8:15 PM
9	My comments relate to the wider Colne, not just Watford.	10/2/2019 6:12 PM
10	A much under used and under estimated local resource	10/1/2019 3:28 PM
11	The river has been vastly improved in the past 20 years.	9/30/2019 7:05 PM
12	Abstraction	9/29/2019 12:35 PM
13	The river should be part of the identity of the town.	9/25/2019 7:31 AM
14	A real challenge is the built environment that probably can't be changed A river walk / cycle path from Oxhey Park up towards Tesco's & on into town centre would be great but probably impossible because of what is built to the river bank	9/25/2019 7:01 AM
15	I would really appreciate any information on a safe fishing environment on the River Colne.	9/24/2019 10:53 PM
16	Maybe some mobile snack vans and publicity around the town	9/24/2019 6:39 PM
17	It's a major part of Watford and the Colne Valley is a hugely valuable and unique amenity and ecological treasure of regional importance	9/21/2019 8:33 PM
18	Invasive non-native species,such as American signal crayfish should be removed. Traditional fish should be encouraged, sticklebacks, minnows, gudgeon, roach, dace, chub, barbel etc. By both stocking and improving spawning areas.	9/21/2019 12:29 PM
19	As a child in Watford, the river had a bit more drama as there was more water in it and the flow was faster, was possible to run a boat in some stretches and swim in others. It is more of a stream now and lacking in dynamism	9/21/2019 12:30 AM
20	Please sort out the sewage apparently entering the river I think it might be where the M1 link Rd crosses the river a little upstream from Water Lane.	9/20/2019 10:06 AM

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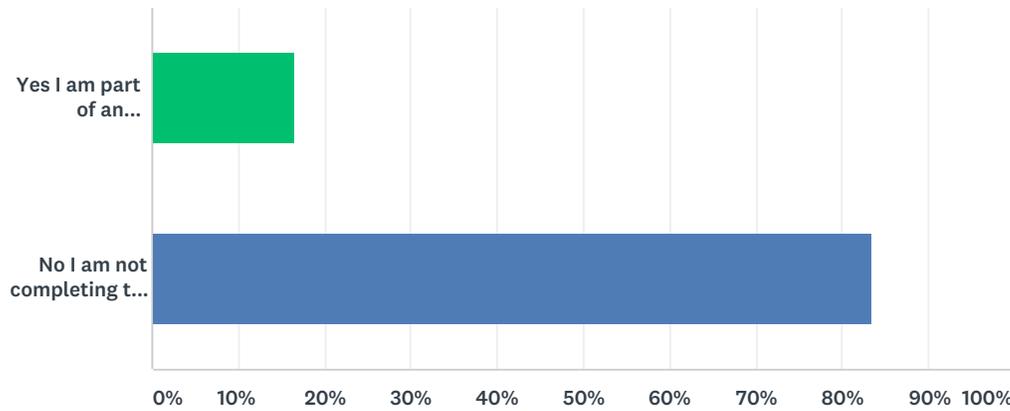
21	I am very excited by this project. Growing up in the area the "canal" in Oxhey Park was an eye sore and certainly not pleasant, and pretty much inaccessible. I often compared Watford with Hemel Hempstead's Gade River, which really enhances their town centre. In contrast the Colne in Watford was like a sewer and dump, shrouded in overgrowth and fenced off. Worse still when Dalton Way was built it encroached on the river bank near the Arches spoiling the peace and tranquility of that section of the Park. The foot bridge and associated paths has been fantastic, providing a lovely route to the shops and cycle way. I suggest using the new construction along the river in the park to do some more environmental education and promotion about the river, and extend this work downstream along the southern river bank in Riverwell Recreation Ground connecting up to the new park on the other (north) side.	9/20/2019 9:11 AM
22	Really pleased something is finally being done. Thank you.	9/19/2019 11:39 PM
23	The Colne has not always been, and is still isn't easily accessible in places, perhaps because, apart from Oxhey Park, its path does not run through what we would call open countryside. It's banks are more often that not overgrown and it meanders through industrial areas where you wouldn't normally walk. As a child in the 50s/60s, the river was accessible from the Ebury Way to Hamper Mill, but that has now all been fenced off.	9/19/2019 10:40 AM
24	I love the river and really impressed with water clarity and wildlife.	9/18/2019 11:11 PM
25	water quality in the stretch from the flyover road bridge from town centre to tescos is very poor, plus litter problems. Have reported water quality problems to EA on a number of occasions with no apparent improvement	9/17/2019 10:54 PM
26	Tracks sometimes become very muddy. Some people cycle too fast.	9/17/2019 2:00 PM
27	Please see my preceding comments.	9/17/2019 1:32 PM
28	A special river that cannot be allowed to go the same way as others in the north of the county and just run dry. Reduce the current the level of extraction or lose it forever so flat dwellers from London can through their kfc wrappers in the ditch.	9/16/2019 10:20 PM
29	I would like to see this idea along the length of the colne from watford into rickmansworth and mill end	9/16/2019 9:50 PM
30	I think it is a very good idea to improve the use of the river corridor as it would help many people get out in the fresh air to exercise and become healthier. The Watford Green Gym work along the River Colne and have kept the parts they work in clear of weeds and debris for a long time now. They are doing a fine a job wherever they work to encourage people to join them in pursuing a healthy activity.	9/16/2019 3:40 PM
31	The water levels through Oxhey Park seem to have dropped drastically over the past ten years or so - possibly due to a dam that appears to have been built.	9/15/2019 12:27 PM
32	It's an underused resource because of the state of the habitat	9/14/2019 10:48 PM
33	Definitely think the stretch along Tesco should be cleaned and improved- would be a great joy to see	9/14/2019 2:22 PM
34	At 53 years old, brought up in Watford and now run a film business in the town, so a very frequent visitor, it's always felt to me that the Colne isn't part of the town's DNA. Admittedly, the river isn't grand like the Thames and, unlike London, for example, it's a bit 'to one side', but in these 'ecological and historical aware' times, the Colne is ripe for a popular facelift. Watford is 'on the up' and the more accessible a tranquil river is, the better. A foil to the Watford bustle. After all, it's a naturally occurring resource that's very Watford, linking us to nature, history and other places along the banks of the river.	9/14/2019 11:08 AM
35	I go fishing a lot on the canal and It would be lovely to be able to go other places for fishing	9/14/2019 12:58 AM
36	Riverside walks are very satisfying, following the path (where there is one) and noting how the flow widens or narrows gradually according to which way you are going. Another well advertised riverside route, more in scale to the Colne than the Thames, is the Wandle Trail.	9/13/2019 11:37 PM
37	Have to strike a careful balance between people and nature using the river	9/13/2019 6:18 PM
38	The river would benefit from better water quality. The reduction of misconnected drainage through public education and enforcement against professionals would help. Reduction of diffuse pollution by treatment of road and car park runoff would also help. Public events to raise awareness of the river would help.	9/13/2019 3:43 PM

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39	I worked with the council and an artist on the creation of the Colne public art. That was great fun and really popular with local people as it created connection to the river, art and heritage. Would be delighted to support this project and being so close by at Watford Museum help in anyway we can	9/13/2019 3:10 PM
40	It needs to be accessible to all, so those in wheelchairs or with mobility issues. The water needs to be safe for skin contact and for the reintroduction of wildlife	9/13/2019 12:29 PM
41	.... it is a beautiful stretch in its own right - just needs more tlc	9/12/2019 10:06 PM
42	I regard the Colne as a pleasant part of the local landscape which works best with minimal involvement. It appears to be clean and attractive and effort should be made to keep it so.	9/12/2019 9:42 PM
43	More publicity to get people to use the river and learn about our natural environment	9/12/2019 7:11 PM
44	no	9/12/2019 5:01 PM
45	No	9/12/2019 3:12 PM
46	The accessible stretches eg Oxhey Park aren't very attractive or inspiring and the more attractive stretches (Radlett Road recreation area ) are particularly accessible or inviting.	9/12/2019 2:53 PM
47	Some parts are nicer than others.	9/12/2019 1:58 PM
48	N/A	9/12/2019 1:34 PM
49	Watford needs to ensure they encourage not just commercialisation in housing and business development but encourage a more social side to the natural environment that exists.	9/12/2019 1:33 PM
50	It's the only place in the UK I have ever seen Kingfishers.	9/12/2019 1:17 PM
51	It would be great to see the river more accessible and visually appealing, particularly through the more urban sections in Watford. I know that these areas are part of a flood alleviation scheme brought in about 25 years ago, and it's in an urban setting, so naturally there's an element of over-engineering going on, but efforts to improve this with softer, more natural solutions would be well spent. These are also the sections that are seen by the majority of people in Watford and visiting Watford. The sections along Stephenson Way always look appealing, but you've got a high speed link road coming by, which may deter people from using it as a recreational route.	9/12/2019 1:16 PM
52	I think that the river banks need to be cleared and landscaped to improve the areas and access. Also the work that is being carried out to the river in Oxhey Park looks a mess and is completely opposite to the dredging of the river, which was carried out recently to prevent flooding. The water level seems to have dropped over recent years too. The area along Riverside needs to be cleared and landscaped. Many years ago it was deep enough and wide enough for swimming and boating. That can't happen now at any point along the river.	9/12/2019 12:35 PM
53	Do something about the horrible Riverwell development plans in West Watford which will destroy the peaceful part of the river - and negatively impact the river colne forever.	9/11/2019 9:45 PM
54	STOP the Riverwell development which will DESTROY the River Colne and the river corridor for everyone - especially residents in densely over populated West Watford.	9/11/2019 1:36 PM

### Q14 If you are completing the survey as an organisation, please check the box here.

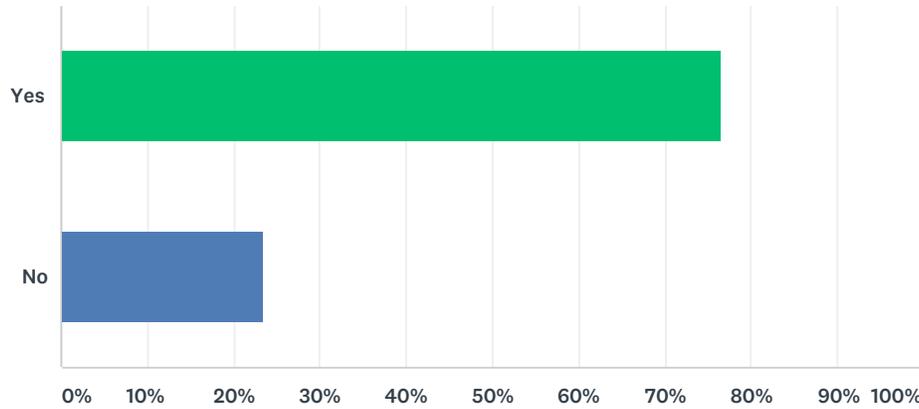
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes I am part of an organisation	16.51%	18
No I am not completing this on behalf of an organisation	83.49%	91
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>109</b>

## Q15 Would you be interested in receiving more information about this meeting?

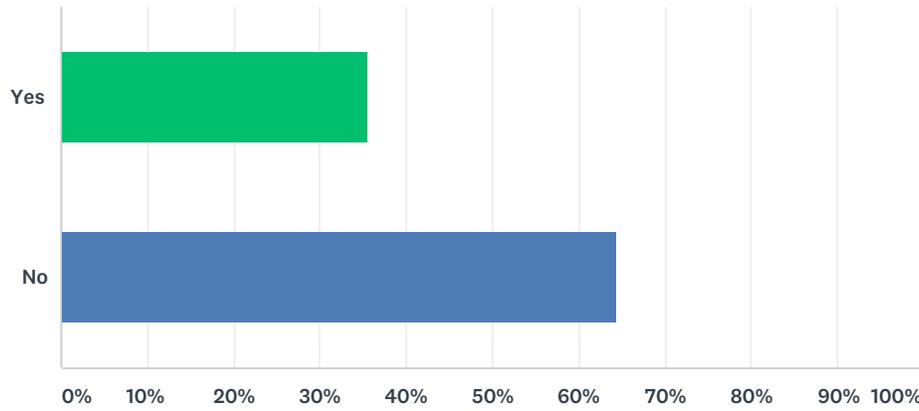
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	76.47%	13
No	23.53%	4
TOTAL		17

## Q17 Would you like to volunteer to improve the River Colne?

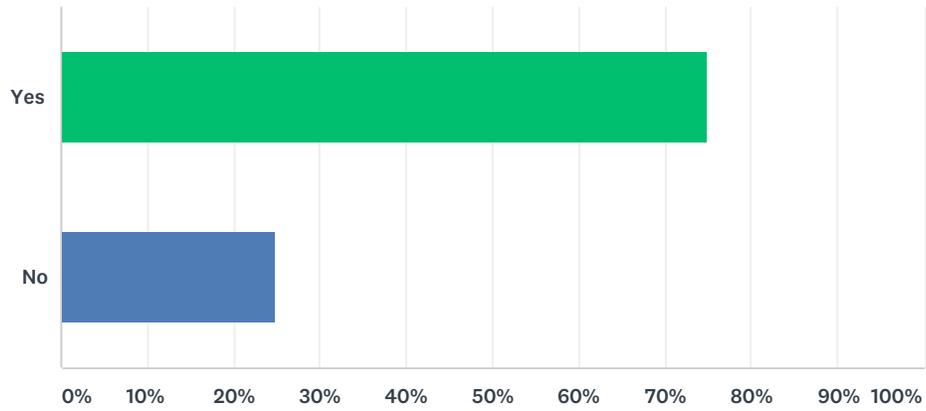
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	35.56%	32
No	64.44%	58
TOTAL		90

## Q19 Are you a Watford resident?

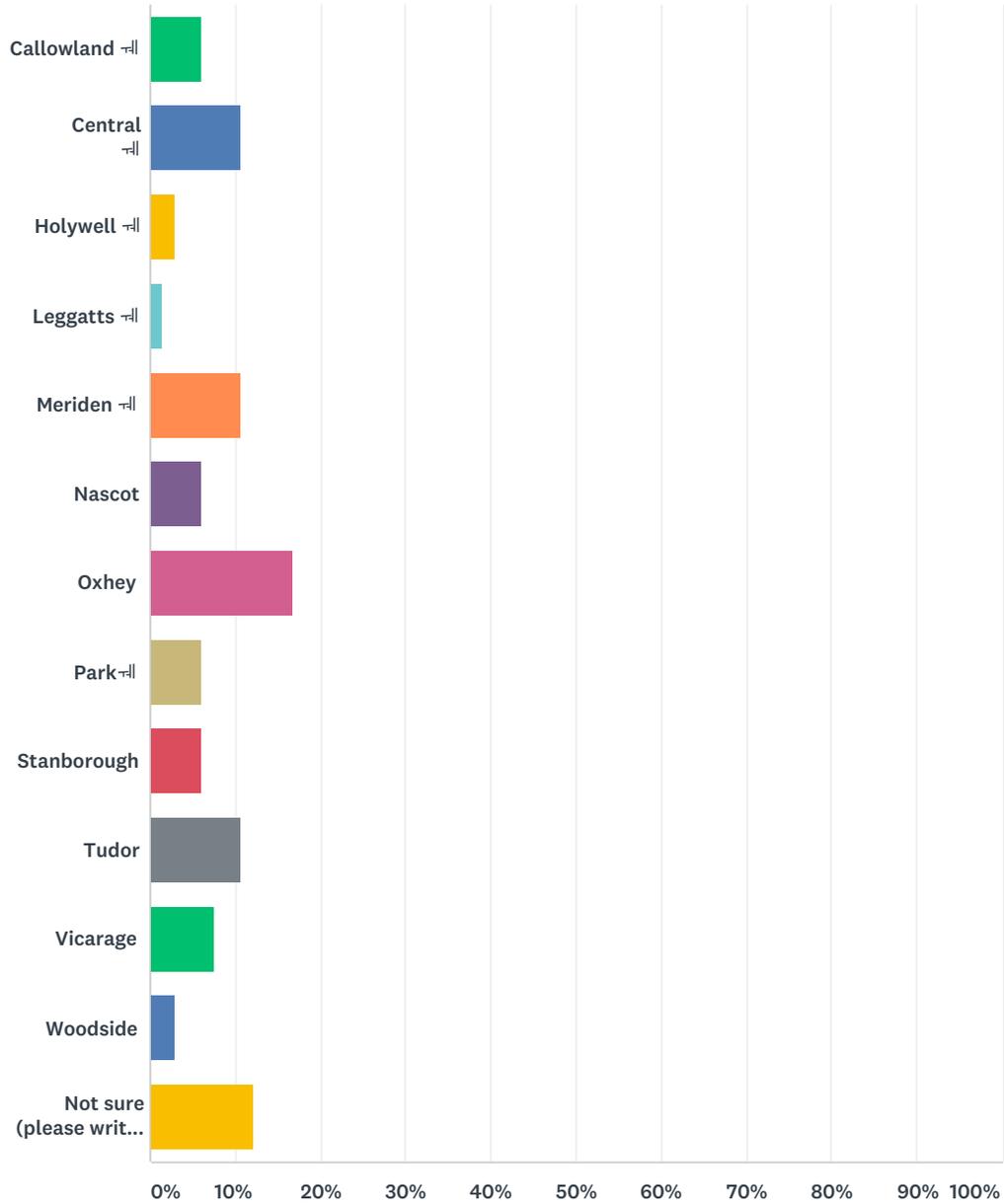
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	75.00%	66
No	25.00%	22
TOTAL		88

## Q20 Which ward do you live in?

Answered: 66 Skipped: 66



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Callowland	6.06%	4
Central	10.61%	7
Holywell	3.03%	2
Leggatts	1.52%	1
Meriden	10.61%	7
Nascot	6.06%	4

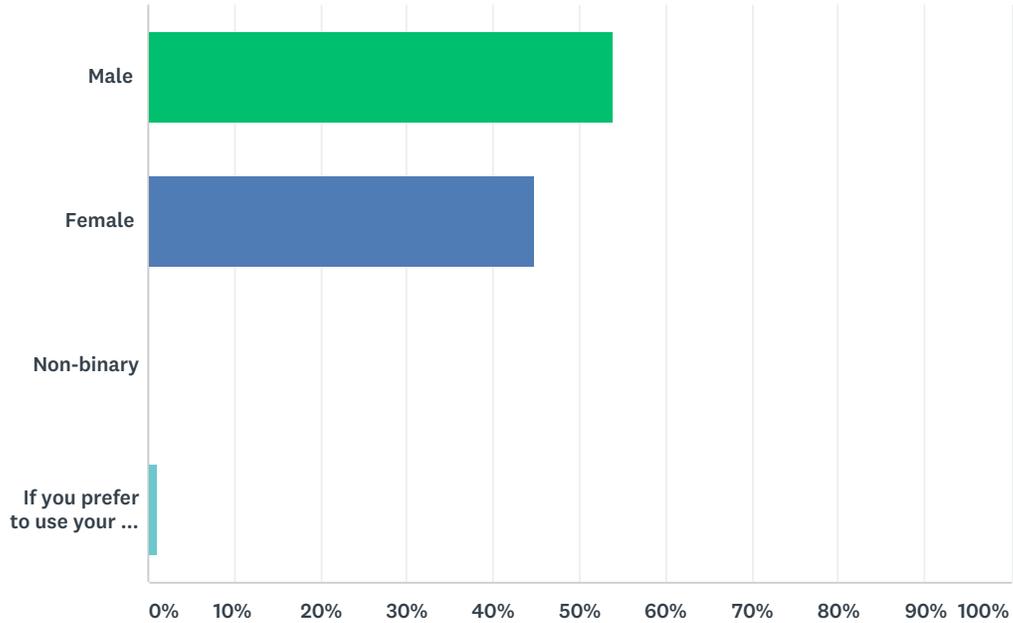
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Oxhey	16.67%	11
Park Hill	6.06%	4
Stanborough	6.06%	4
Tudor	10.61%	7
Vicarage	7.58%	5
Woodside	3.03%	2
Not sure (please write in your postcode)	12.12%	8
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>66</b>

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## Q21 Are you...

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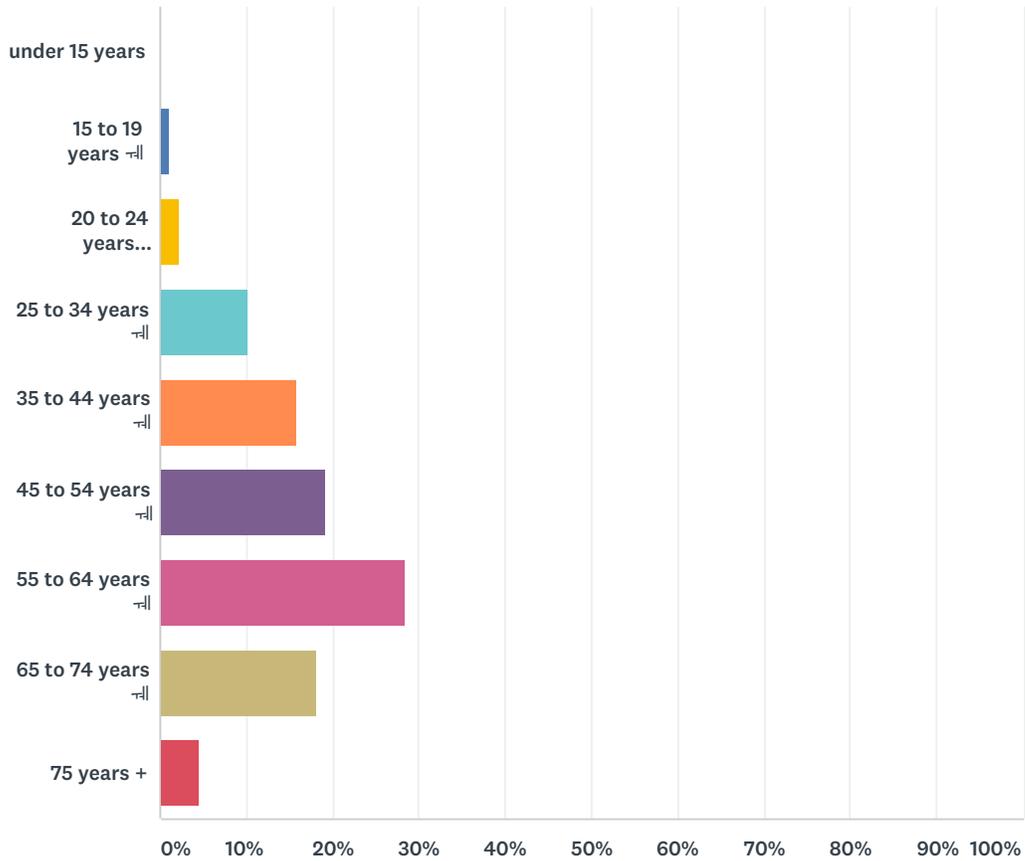


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Male	54.02% 47
Female	44.83% 39
Non-binary	0.00% 0
If you prefer to use your own term, please specify here:	1.15% 1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>87</b>

#	IF YOU PREFER TO USE YOUR OWN TERM, PLEASE SPECIFY HERE:	DATE
1	Physically I am 61 but identify as a 25-year old	10/4/2019 9:03 PM

## Q22 Your age – please indicate your current age group:

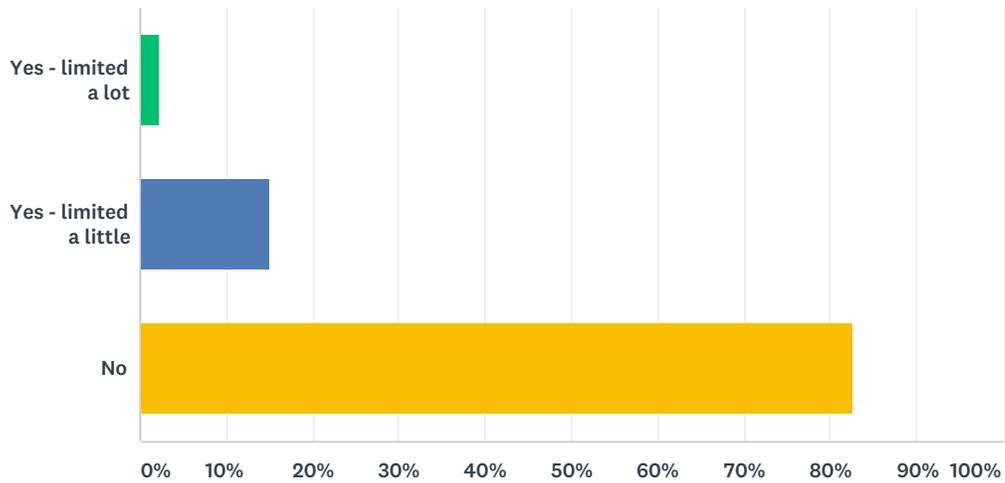
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
under 15 years	0.00%	0
15 to 19 years	1.14%	1
20 to 24 years	2.27%	2
25 to 34 years	10.23%	9
35 to 44 years	15.91%	14
45 to 54 years	19.32%	17
55 to 64 years	28.41%	25
65 to 74 years	18.18%	16
75 years +	4.55%	4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>88</b>

### Q23 Are your day-to-day activities limited because of a health problem or disability which has lasted, or is expected to last, at least 12 months?

Answered: 86 Skipped: 46

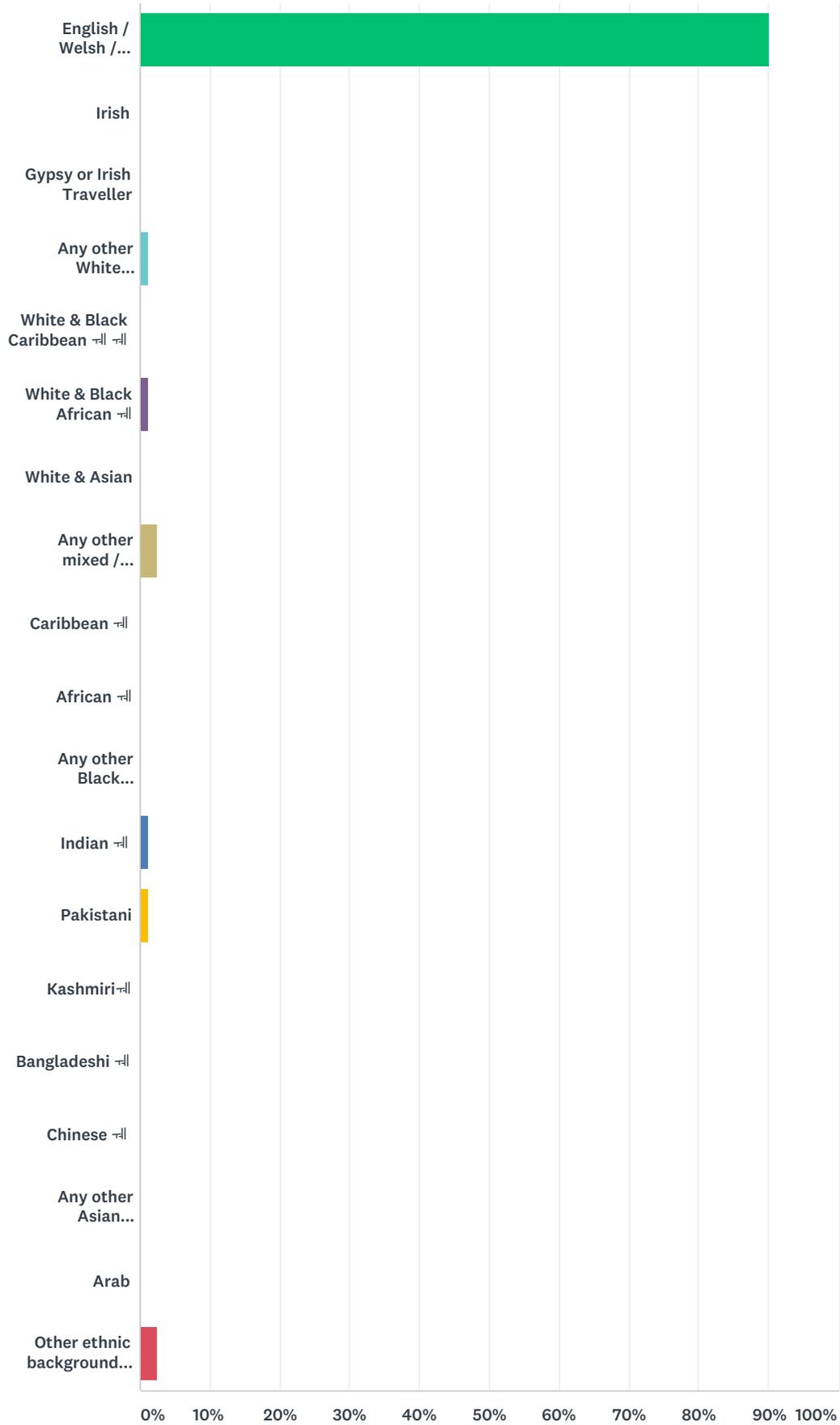


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes - limited a lot	2.33%	2
Yes - limited a little	15.12%	13
No	82.56%	71
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>86</b>

## Q24 To which of these groups do you consider you belong?

Answered: 81 Skipped: 51

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ANSWER CHOICES

RESPONSES

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English / Welsh / Scottish / Northern Irish / British	90.12%	73
Irish	0.00%	0
Gypsy or Irish Traveller	0.00%	0
Any other White background (please write in below)	1.23%	1
White & Black Caribbean $\rightarrow$	0.00%	0
White & Black African $\rightarrow$	1.23%	1
White & Asian	0.00%	0
Any other mixed / multiple ethnic background (please write in below)	2.47%	2
Caribbean $\rightarrow$	0.00%	0
African $\rightarrow$	0.00%	0
Any other Black background (please write in below) $\rightarrow$	0.00%	0
Indian $\rightarrow$	1.23%	1
Pakistani	1.23%	1
Kashmiri $\rightarrow$	0.00%	0
Bangladeshi $\rightarrow$	0.00%	0
Chinese $\rightarrow$	0.00%	0
Any other Asian background (please write in below)	0.00%	0
Arab	0.00%	0
Other ethnic background (please write in below) $\rightarrow$	2.47%	2
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>81</b>