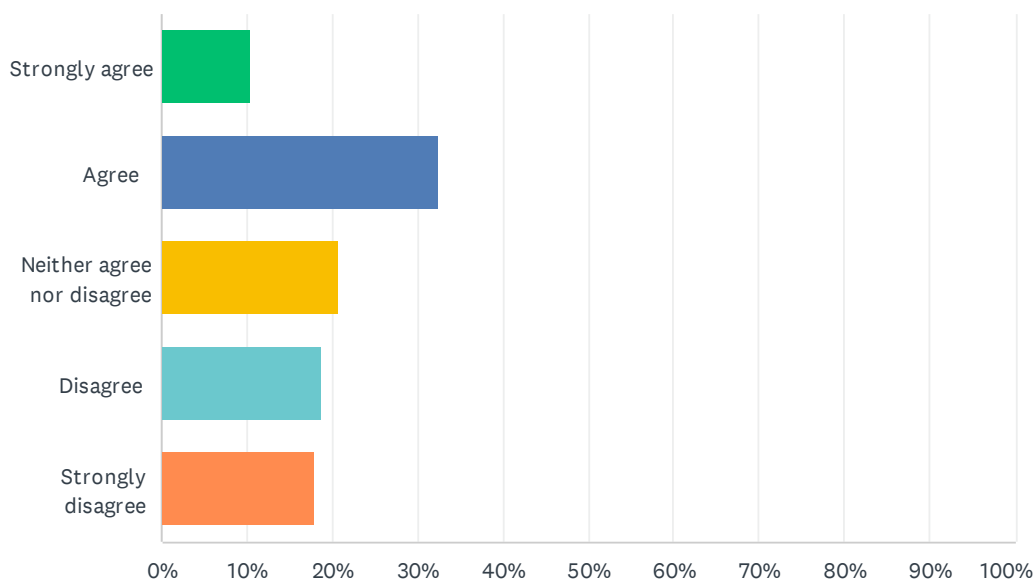


Q1 Over the next three years, the Council expects the Government to cut the Council’s funding. At the same time, there will be unavoidable increases in costs such as nationally agreed staff pay rises which the Council will have to fund. Our approach to the Council’s finances is to improve our services while delivering on our priorities of doing our part to tackle the climate emergency, delivering homes local people can afford to rent and supporting our economy recover from the impact of Covid-19, all whilst balancing the ongoing budget. That will require small increases in Council Tax (see question 3) together with generating more money from new investments and by applying a principle of setting our fees and charges to ensure they are not subsidised by other taxpayers. Where the Council does decide to subsidise some fees and charges, the reasons for this will be clearly set out. To what extent do you agree with this approach?

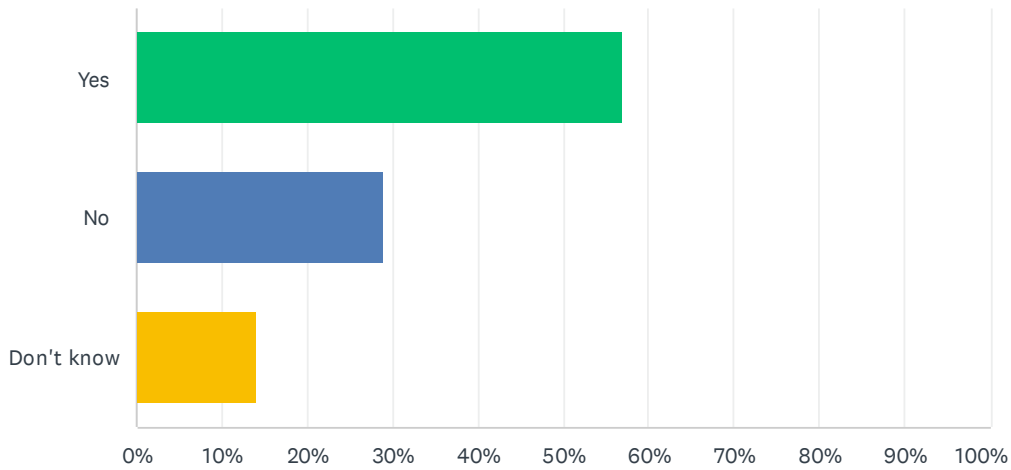
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Strongly agree	10.42% 45
Agree	32.41% 140
Neither agree nor disagree	20.60% 89
Disagree	18.75% 81
Strongly disagree	17.82% 77
Total Respondents: 432	

Q2 The Council is planning to invite local people and communities to invest directly in initiatives in the Cotswold District that address climate change by lending funds to the Council for a specified period of time and at a specified rate of interest. Amongst other things, this could include investment in renewable energy which could provide a financial return for local communities and actions to reduce the energy use of our homes. Do you think this is a good idea?

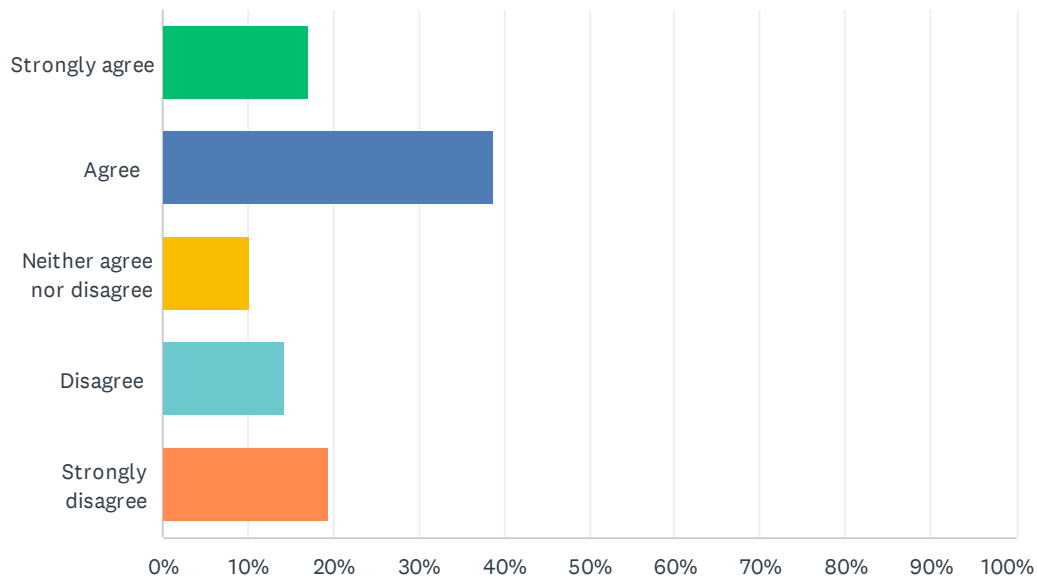
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	56.94%	246
No	28.94%	125
Don't know	14.12%	61
Total Respondents: 432		

Q3 To support our priorities and help close the expected funding gap from the Government, we plan to increase Council Tax by 10p a week (£5 a year) for a Band D property (£3.33 for Band A - up to £10 for Band G). Do you agree with this approach?

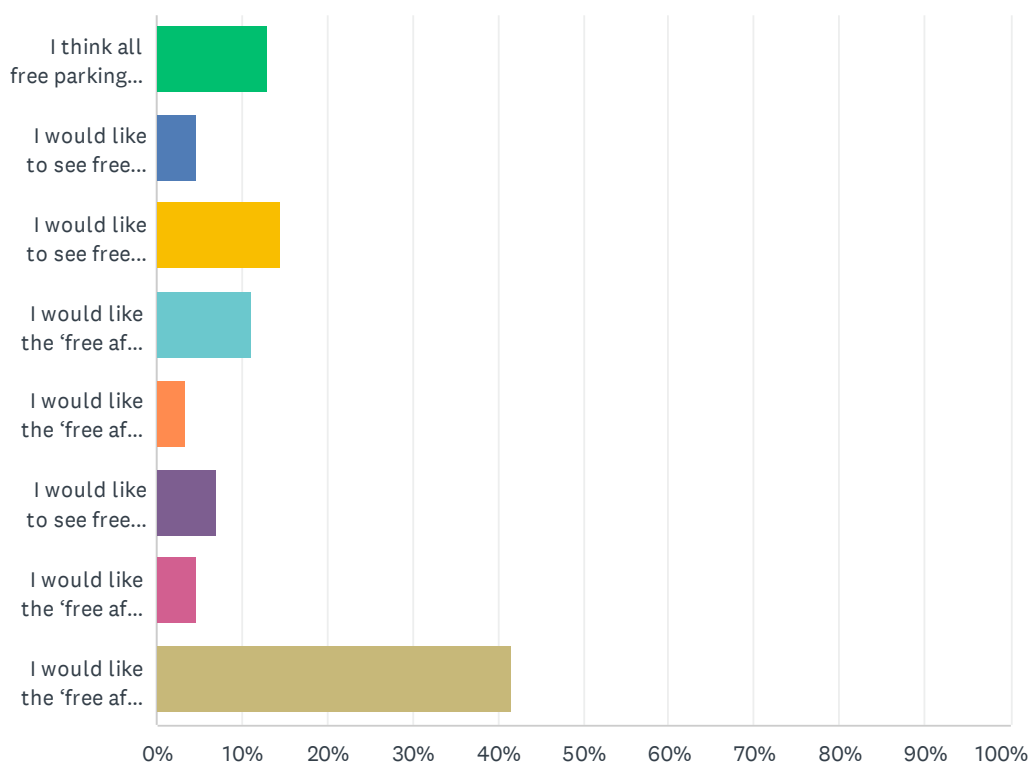
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Strongly agree	17.13%	74
Agree	38.89%	168
Neither agree nor disagree	10.19%	44
Disagree	14.35%	62
Strongly disagree	19.44%	84
Total Respondents: 432		

Q4 We have reviewed charges and charging periods in our car parks in light of our overall charging policy and identified the revenue we could generate where we are currently providing free parking – under our ‘Free After Three’ scheme running in six car parks across the District (£350,000), on Sundays at all our car parks except ones in Bourton-on-the-Water and Stow-on-the-Wold (£150,000), and during evenings and overnight in all our car parks (£100,000). Our 2022/23 proposed budget includes increased revenue of £300,000 from our car parks to help us balance our budget. Could you tell us your view on potential changes to charging periods by selecting one of these statements:

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I think all free parking in the Council's car parks should be removed	13.02%	56
I would like to see free Sunday parking remain but think charges should be made after 3pm in all car parks and during evenings and overnight	4.65%	20
I would like to see free parking remain on Sundays, during evenings and overnight but think charges should be made between 3pm and 6pm in all car parks	14.42%	62
I would like the 'free after 3pm' scheme and free evening and overnight parking to continue but think charges should be made on Sundays	11.16%	48
I would like the 'free after 3pm' scheme to continue but think charges should be made on Sundays and during evenings and overnight	3.49%	15
I would like to see free parking remain during evenings and overnight but think charges should be made between 3pm and 6pm and on Sundays	6.98%	30
I would like the 'free after 3pm' scheme and free parking on Sundays to remain but I think charges should be made during evenings and overnight	4.65%	20
I would like the 'free after 3pm' scheme to continue and for parking to remain free on Sundays and during evenings and overnight	41.63%	179
Total Respondents: 430		

Q5 Are there any comments you would like to make on our priorities or any other aspect of the Council's spending and service delivery?

Answered: 230 Skipped: 202