



BALLYHOURA
DEVELOPMENT CLG

Community Planning

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Kilmallock Community Survey



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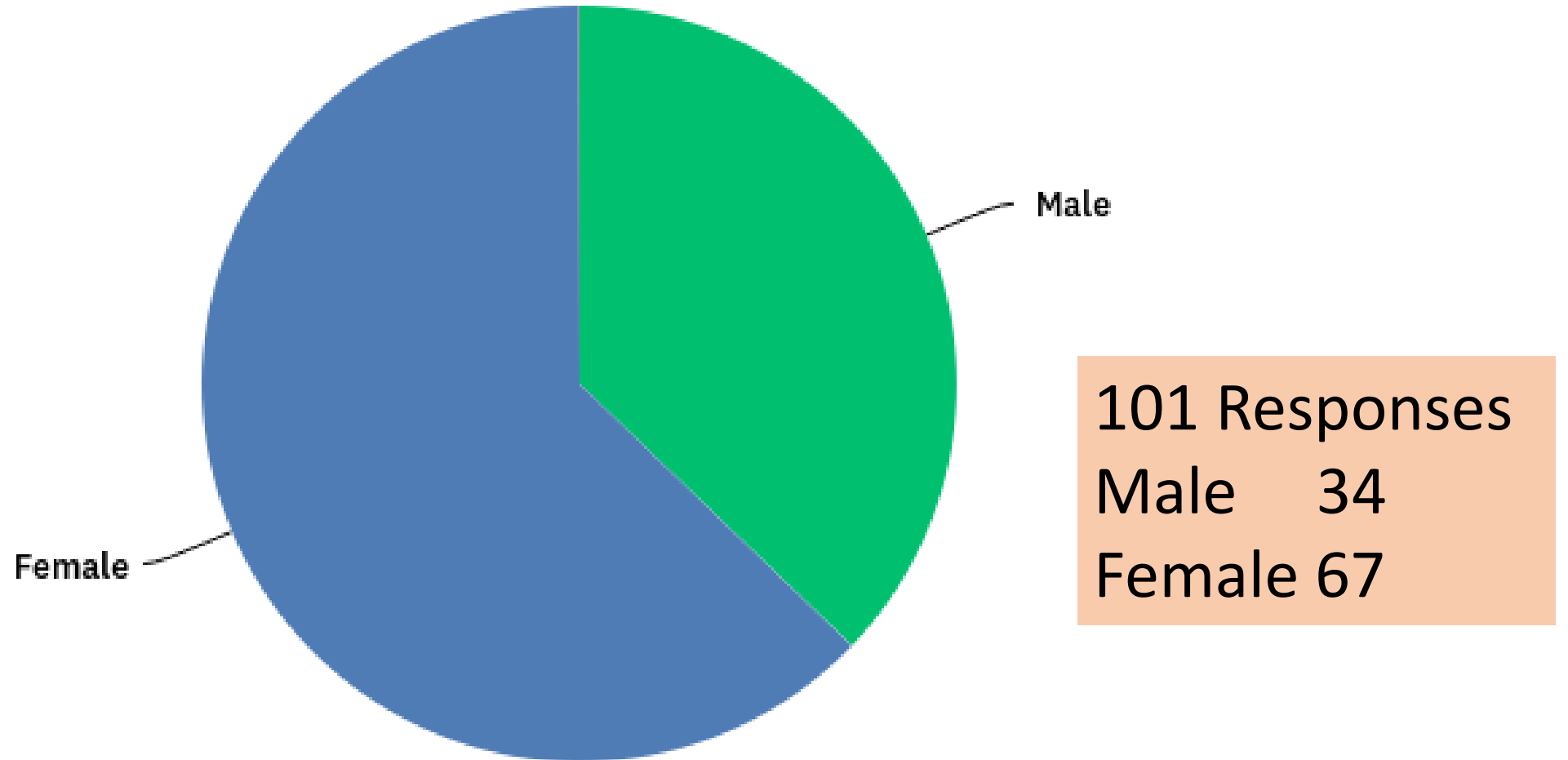


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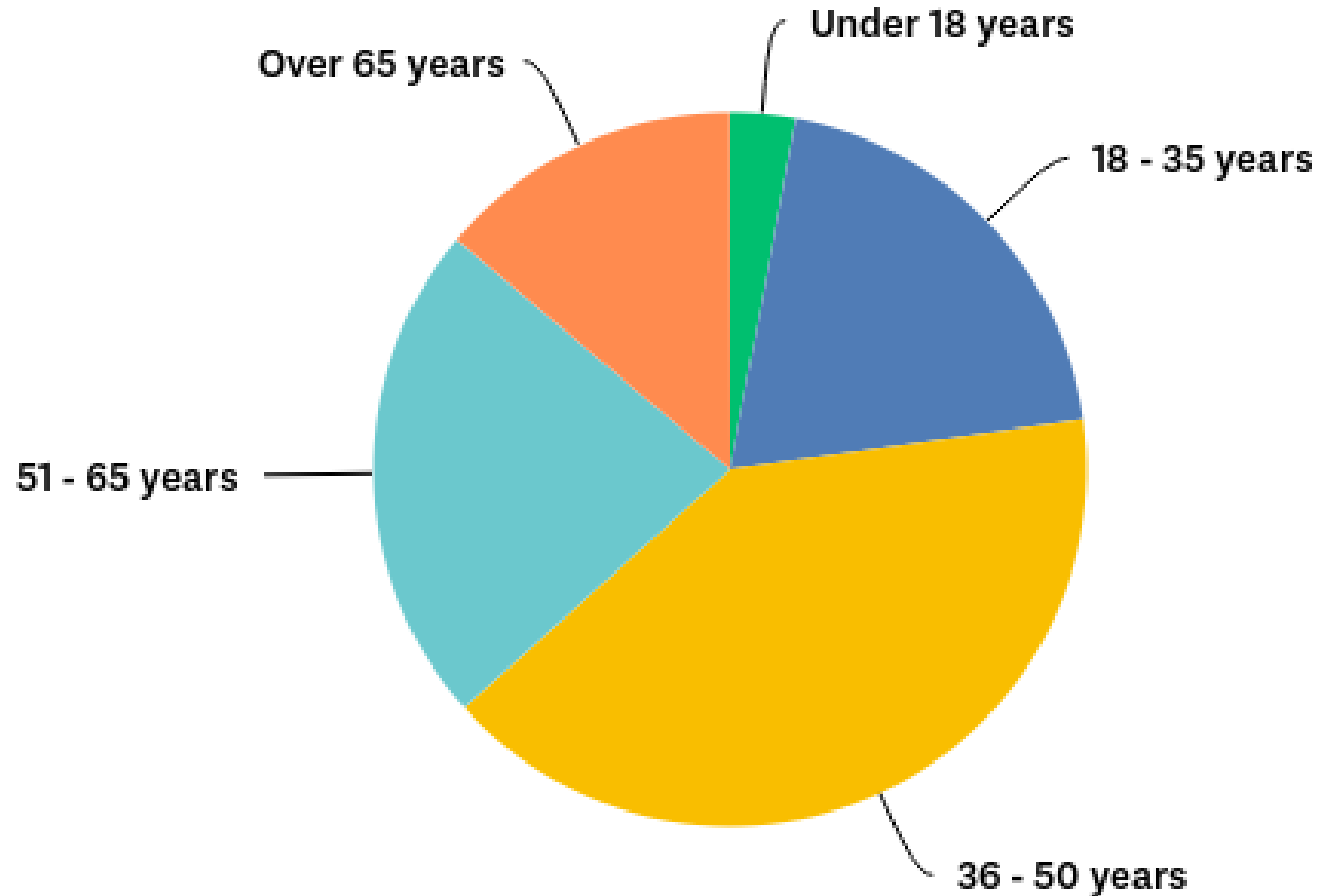
Format

- Introductions
- 1st session summary page
- Survey presentation
- Table discussion on survey results
- Break
- Table discussion – 5 priority actions
- Summary from tables

Q2. Male or Female

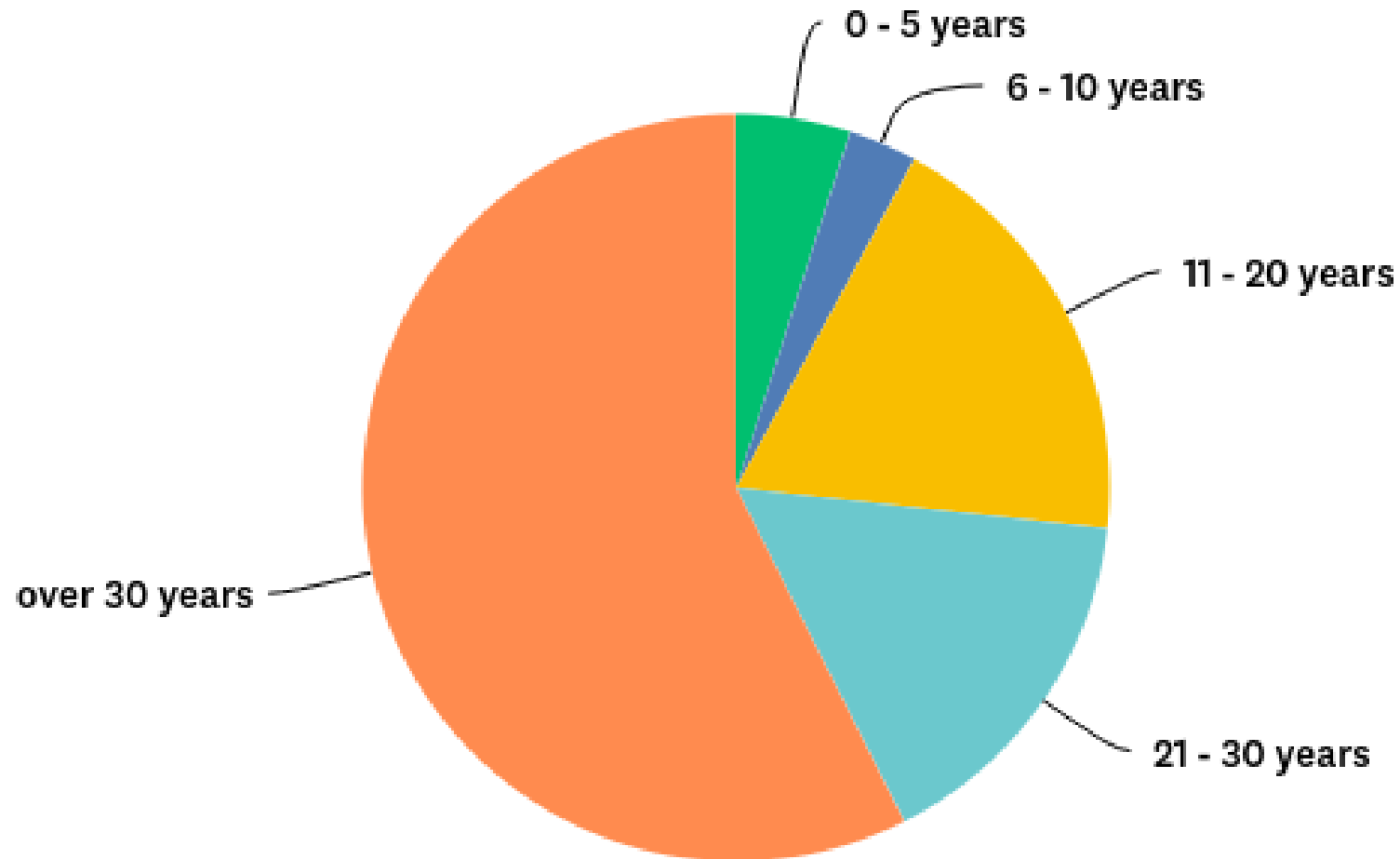


Q3. To which of the following age categories do you belong?

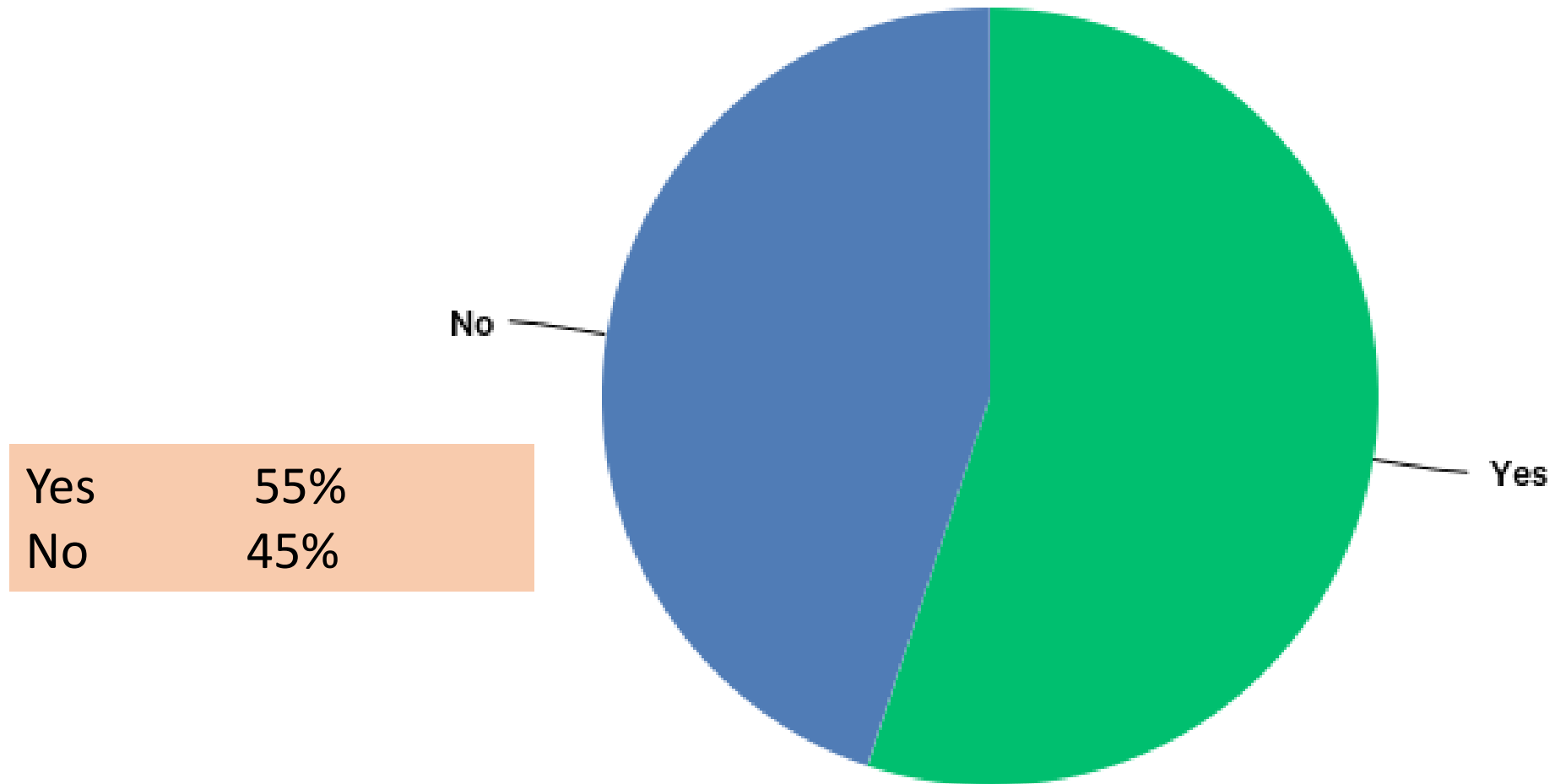


Under 18	3
18-35	20
36-50	41
51-65	23
Over 65	14

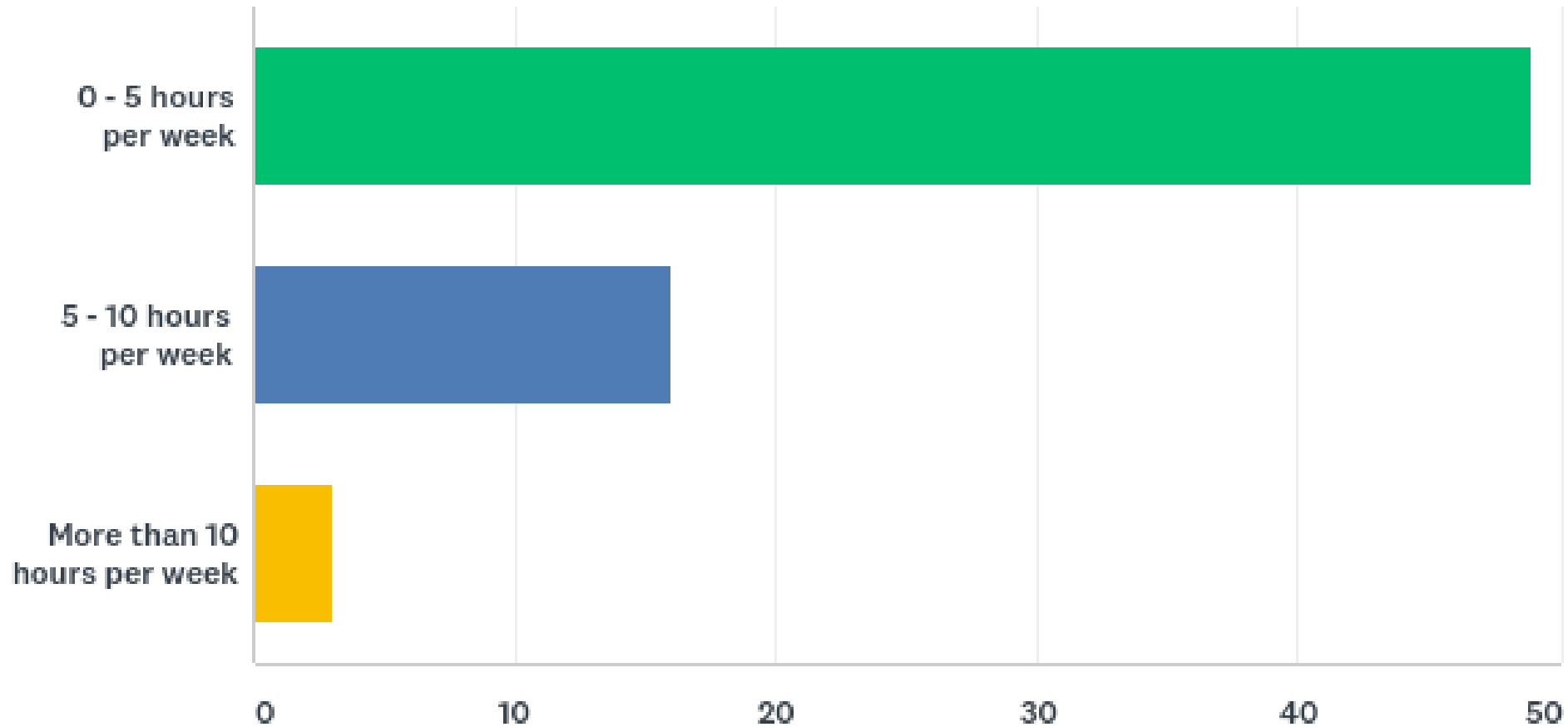
Q4. Which of the following best describes how long you have lived in this community?



Q5. Do you volunteer in your community?



Q6. On average how many hours a week would you give to voluntary work?



Q7. What is the main factor that prevents you from joining a local community or voluntary group?

Time - Work
Family Commitments
Childcare

(reasons for not getting involved – 27 responses)

Would you be interested in getting involved in a group?

25 said Yes

24 said No

Q8. If you had the opportunity, what would you like to do personally to help improve the quality of life for your community?

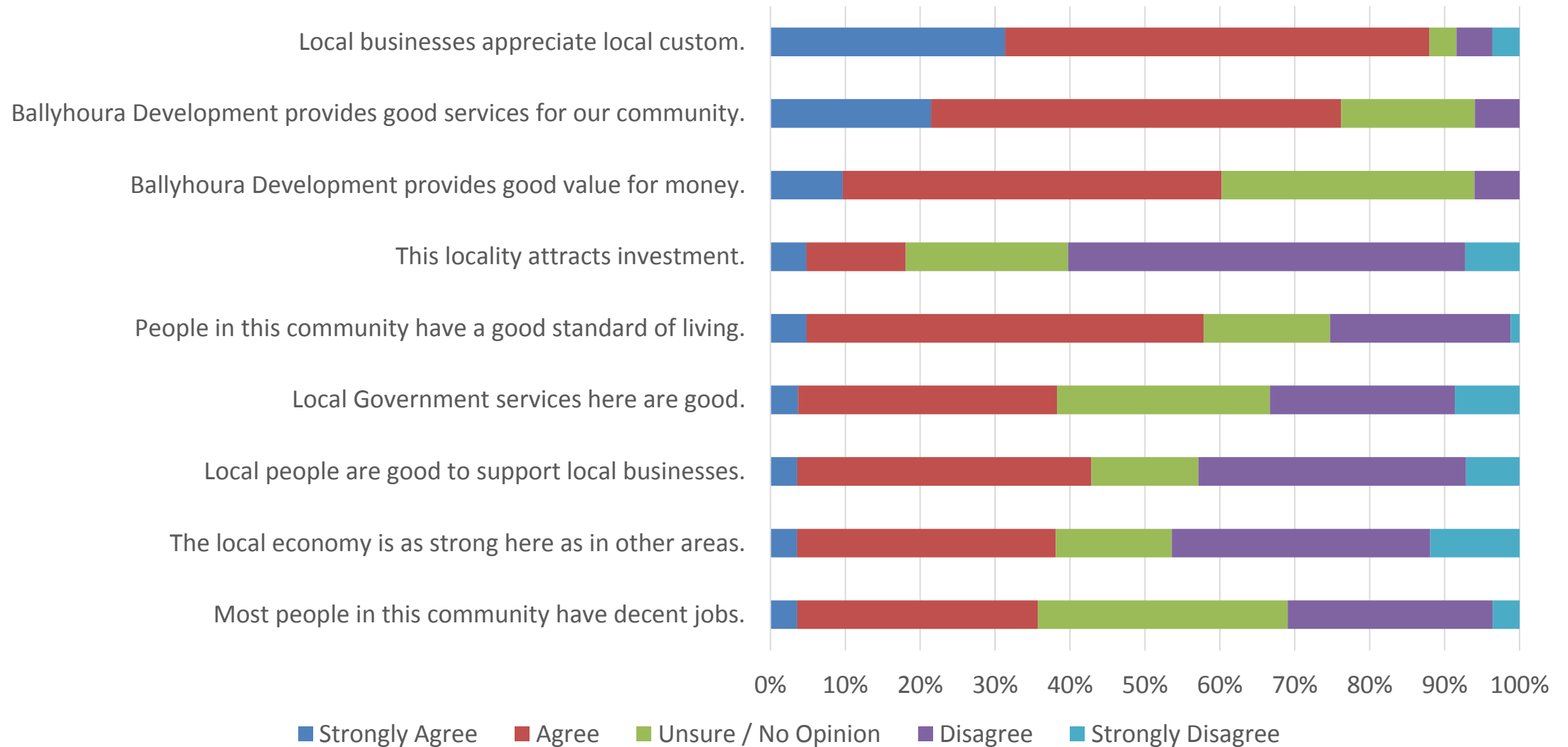
- Extend facilities for teens
- Activities for children
- Accessibility on streets and public spaces
- Revitalise the town, new business for vacant premises, promotion & marketing
- Better transport, a bus shelter
- A community café
- A plan for derelict buildings
- Anti-social behaviour
- Build community spirit
- Coordination
- More community events
- Don't know
- Tidy towns

Q10. Economic Vibrancy...

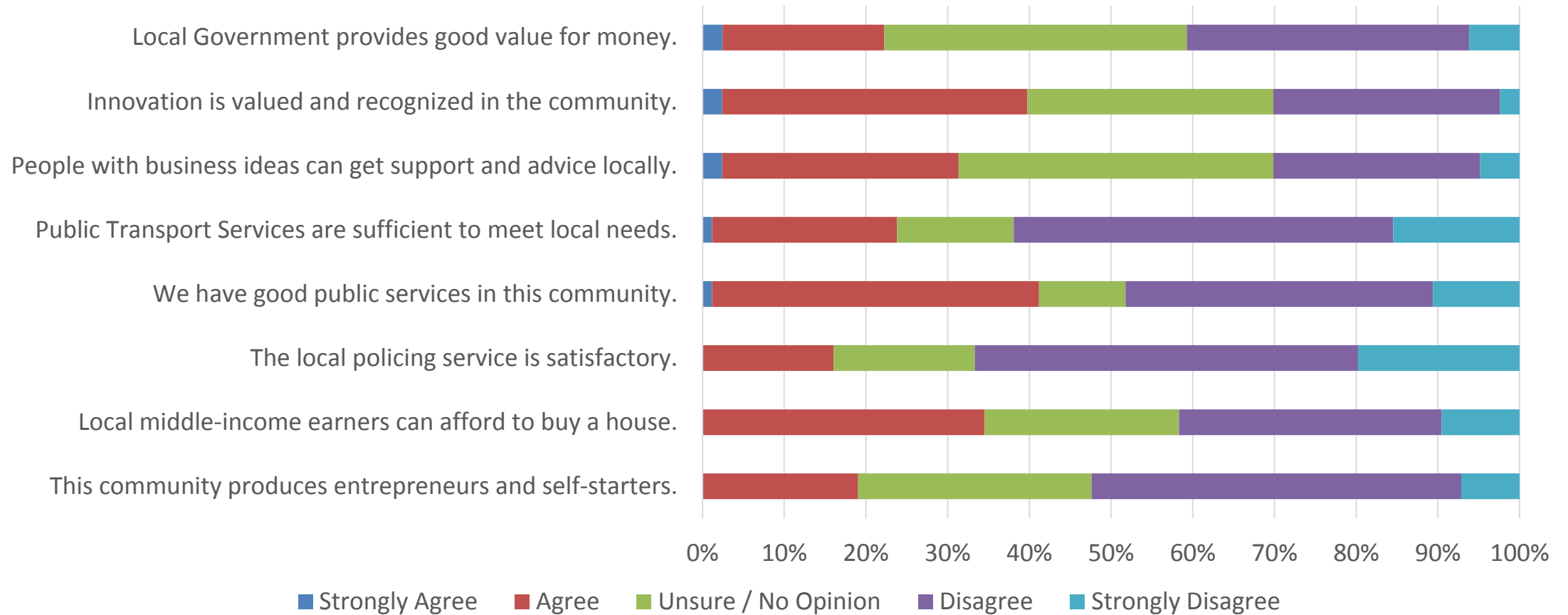
Q10. Economic Vibrancy

This locality attracts investment	Over 60% disagree
The local economy is as strong here as elsewhere	Half disagree
This community produces entrepreneurs...	15% agree
Local business appreciates local custom	80% agree
Most people in this community have decent jobs	2/3 disagree or unsure
The local policing service is satisfactory	Less than 1 in 5 agree
Public transport services are sufficient	Less than 1 in 5 agree
Local government services here are good	40% agree
We have good public services in this community	Nearly equally divided
Ballyhoura development provides good services	69% Agree 23% Unsure 8% Disagree

Q10. Economic Vibrancy...analysing the answers



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Q11. Social Vibrancy

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Anti-social behaviour is not really a problem

Over 80% disagree

We have good facilities for our young people

Almost 80% disagree

We have good sports and recreation facilities

$\frac{3}{4}$ agree

There are good arts and cultural facilities locally

Almost $\frac{2}{3}$ agree

Groups with similar interests form alliances and co-operate to achieve goals.

22 % Agree 47% Unsure 30 % Disagree

Schools and education services are excellent

8 out of 10 agree

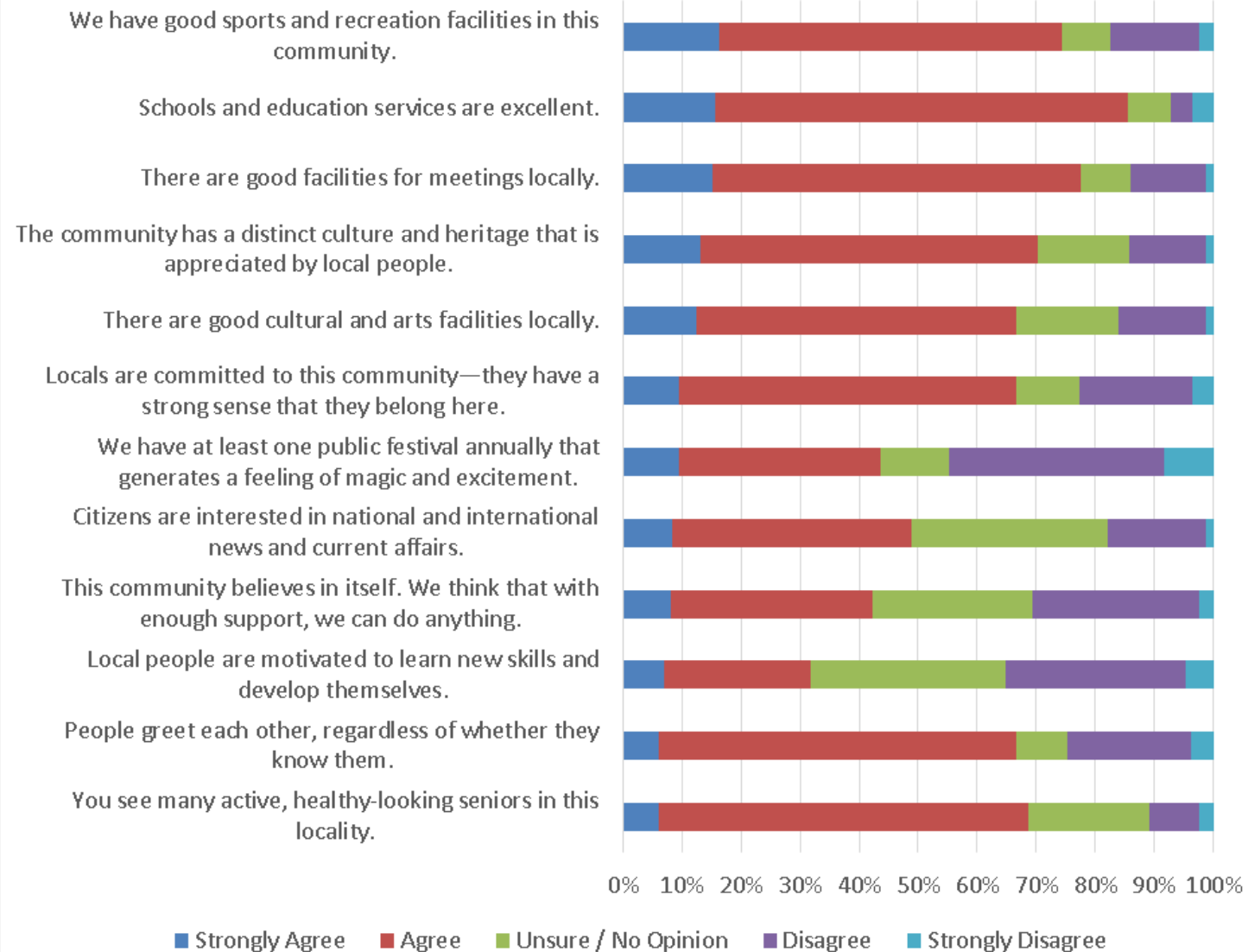
There are friendly public spaces where a variety of kinds of people feel welcome.

Mixed views

Young adults (age 25–34) consider the community a desirable place to live.

Less than 1 in 5 agree

Q11. Social & Community Vibrancy



Q12. Environmental Vibrancy

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For local people the integrity of the environment is a priority

Almost half agree

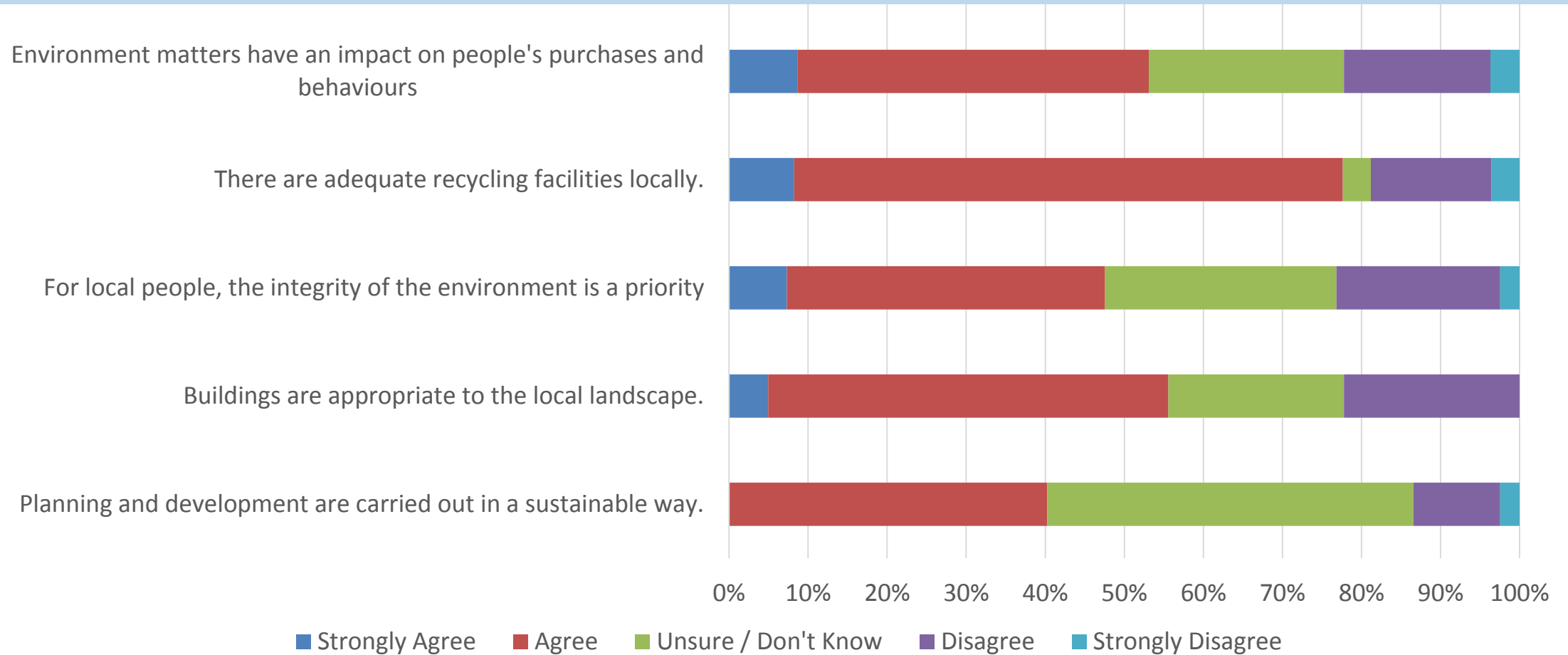
Planning and development are carried out in a sustainable way

40% agree 47% unsure
14% disagree

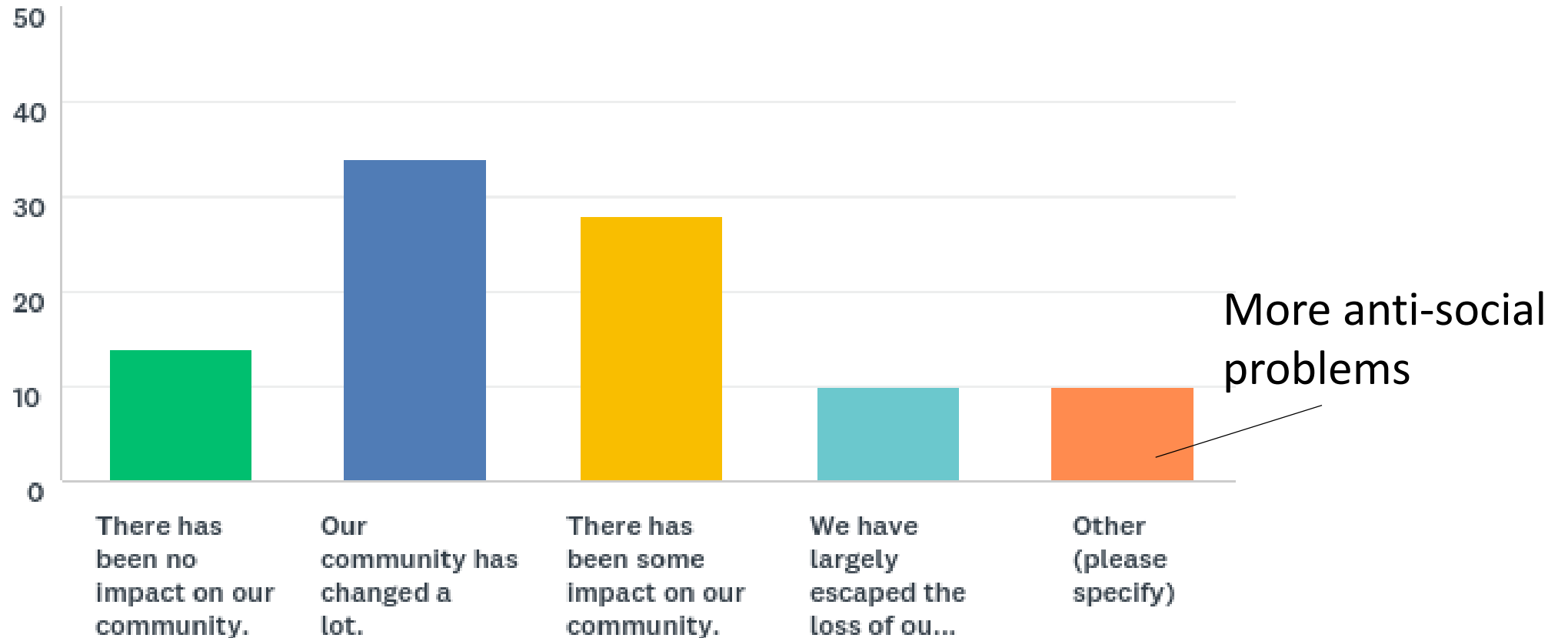
There are adequate recycling facilities locally

4 out of 5 agree

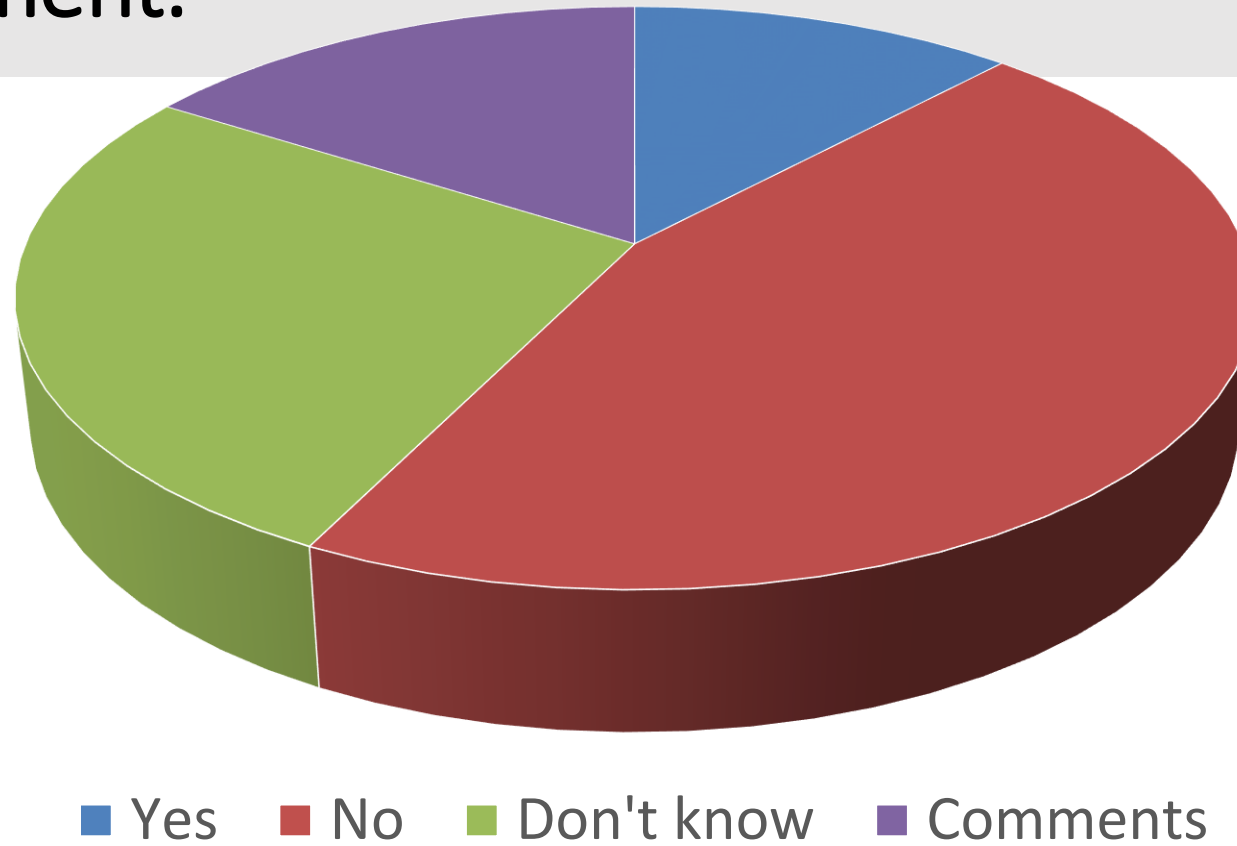
Q12. Environmental Vibrancy



Q13. How would you describe the impact of recent population changes on your local community?



Q16. Does everyone in your community feel included?
Please comment.



Q17. How would you compare your community now with five years ago?

- Slow recovery
- Better and bigger, positive
- Big Council Investment, eg library, schools, new walkway, Mediaeval Wall
- More community activity
- More strangers
- Better/ the same/ worse
- Less safe
- Anti-social behaviour
- 'underprivileged' status

'I'm more involved in it therefore enjoy it more now'

Q18. What are the principle current issues facing your community?

- Employment
- Developing tourism
- Dereliction
- Retail decline
- Affordable housing
- Loss of young people
- Decline in town centre
- Youth facilities/ activities
- Feeling safe/ Policing/ anti-social behaviour
- An aging population
- Traveller – Settled Community Relations

Q19. What, if anything, needs to be done to make your town or community a better place in which to live and work?

- Greater coordination and communications between groups
- More youth facilities/ programmes
- A facelift for the streets
- Promote tourism
- Improve transport links to Limerick
- More retail/ cafes etc
- Invest in employment
- Address derelict and vacant buildings
- Creative use of unused premises
- More policing/ address anti-social problems
- More facilities for older people

Individual Survey Main Issues

1. Good sense of community; a friendly, small rural town, close-knit
2. An appreciation for investments eg schools, new library, walkway, Medieval Wall
3. Slow economic recovery, poor employment opportunities, local business undeveloped; retail, restaurants, entertainment
4. Tourism has huge potential but is not developed
5. Concern of significant population change and dissatisfaction with Regeneration Programme
6. Traveller- Settled Community relations
7. Policing and public transport inadequate
8. Communications and coordination between groups
9. Facilities/ programmes for youth and for older people

Next steps

- Individual survey and groups survey close Sunday 04th November
- Encourage groups to complete the survey
- Paper forms available
- Final community planning meeting Tuesday 20th November
- Draft actions will be presented for finalising