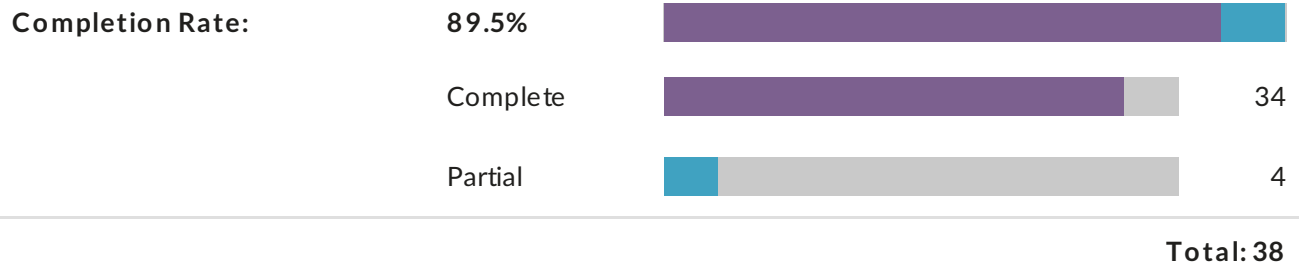


# Report on well-being survey of Coupar Angus & Bendochy in 2016

## Response Counts



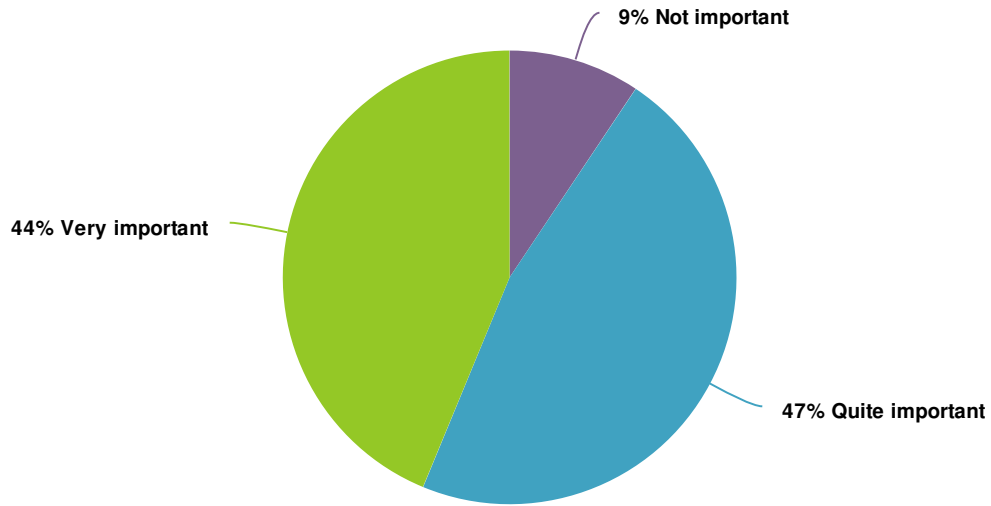
## Part A: The Social Dimension:

Here is what you said about how well your local community meets your SOCIAL needs. This section is about the many different ways we relate to each other. It is divided into 9 sections (A1-A9), starting with FRIENDSHIP, LEISURE & PLAY.

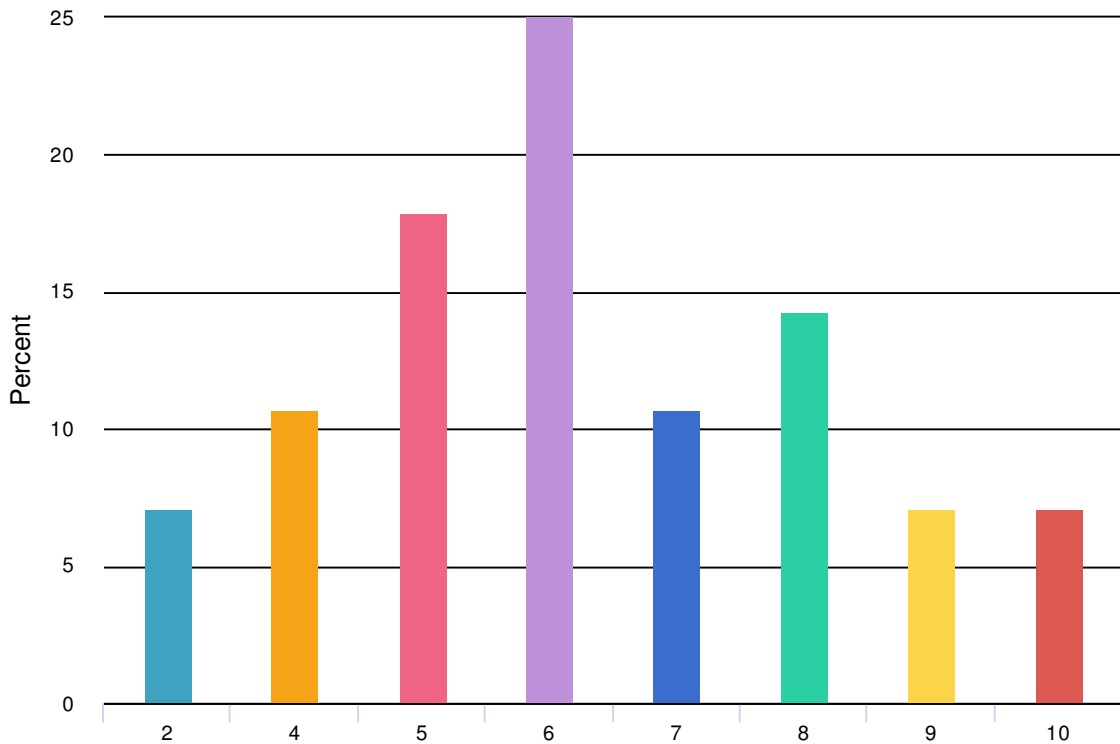
### A1: FRIENDSHIP, LEISURE AND PLAY

#### Enjoying caring and supportive friendships

1. How important is it for you to meet people and form friendships in your local community?



2. Using any number from 1 to 10, where 1 is very difficult and 10 is very easy, what number would you use to rate how easy it is for you to meet people and form friendships in your local community? (Don't answer if you chose "Not Important" above)



## Statistics

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Average	6.2
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Total Responses	28
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## Comments

### ResponseID Response

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We need a community hub

Being a mum at the school, I have met other parents and one by one have gotten involved with the groups. I think if I was elderly or a single person with no kids and new to the town it may be harder.

Luckily I'm an extrovert with no mobility issues.

We are fairly new to the area, work a bit of distance away and live very rurally so opportunity for connection is a little restricted.

For person with an outgoing nature it would be reasonably easy but if you were shy and/or housebound it could be harder In general I think people in Coupar Angus are quite friendly and welcome people into the community. It is fairly easy to find out what groups and clubs run in the town if you wanted to use that as a means of meeting people.

I can't give a number but although it is very important to make friends in the local community, I've not found a way yet of meeting up with people fairly regularly.

There are lots of groups people can join to meet new people, eg PoP volunteers, MAD group etc. Perhaps people need help to join a new group.

Meeting people in Coupar Angus has been an easy task for me who moved here in July thanks to all the different associations which give me opportunity to get involved in issues important to me viz cycling, gardening, growing own veg. I also give some French classes.

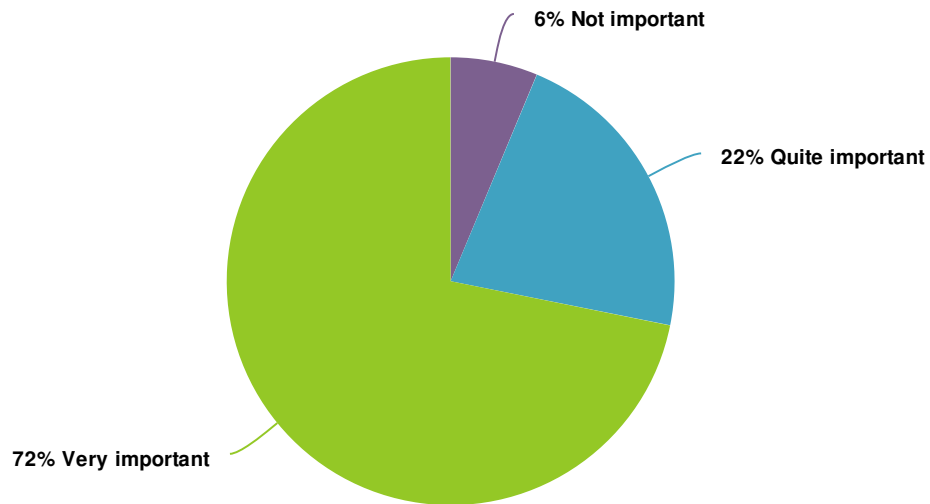
Local special interest groups are important like gardening or walking clubs

Café Isla was a good idea (2012-14)

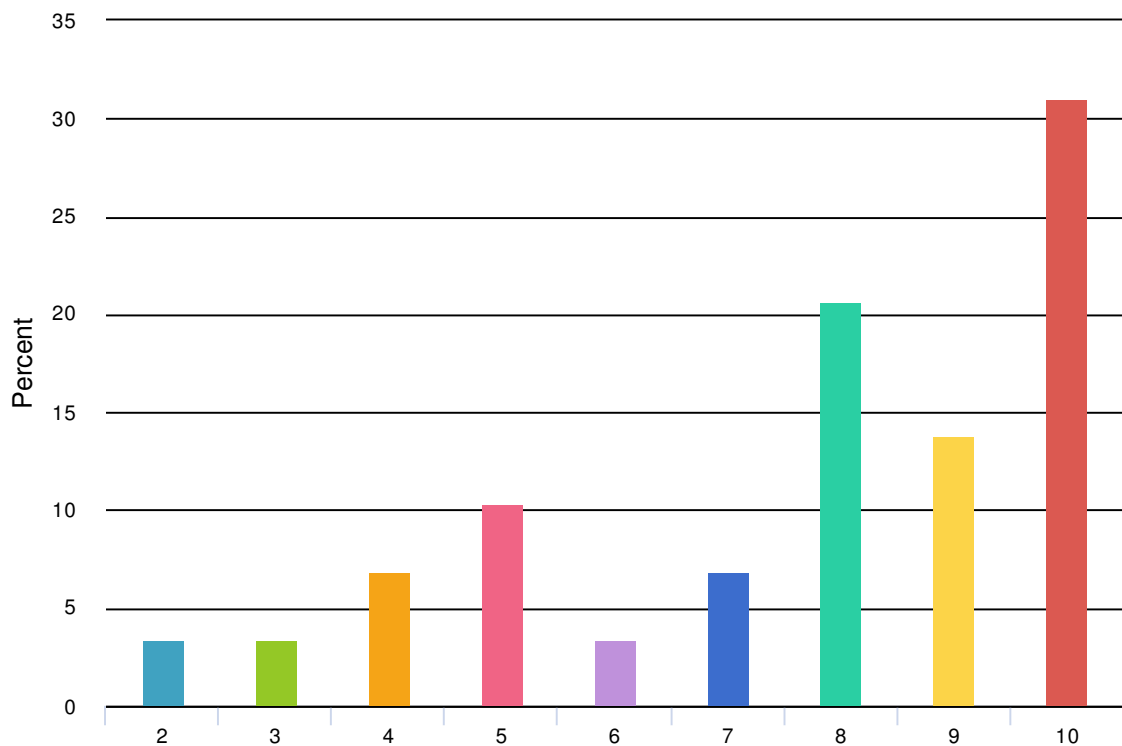
You don't see a lot of people stopping and speaking to each other

As I live far away from them and they are all lazy or studying for exams or working

3. How important is it for you to be able to visit friends and family away from your local community?



4. Using any number from 1 to 10, where 1 is very difficult and 10 is very easy, what number would you use to rate how easy it is for you to visit friends and family away from your local community? (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)



## Statistics

Average	7.7
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Total Responses	29
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## Comments

### ResponseID Response

Bus services are on a whole quit good but sunday service is just terrible

There needs to be a safe walking passage between Coupar Angus and Blairgowrie. for 5 mile journey this should be easily walk able and buses are expensive.

I have a car.

Bus routes from Burrelton to Dundee are poor. Pathways and cycle paths down to the bus stops in Burrelton from where we live are overgrown and impassible or non existent. Buses to Perth are good. Clearing the paths from kinnochtry to Woodside/Burrelton would be a great help. We tried but it needs earth moving equipment and drainage.

Travelling by public transport is rarely easy or convenient. The 57 bus to Perth runs an excellent daytime service but the service to Dundee is poor. Sometimes you might have to wait quite a while in Perth or Dundee if your forward journey is by train. It depends on where your destination is – by public transport it can either be quite easy eg to Glasgow; or an absolute nightmare. Try getting to Kirrie and back comfortably!! It is vital for me to visit my family who have moved out of the town. There is nothing to keep them here so I will go to them.

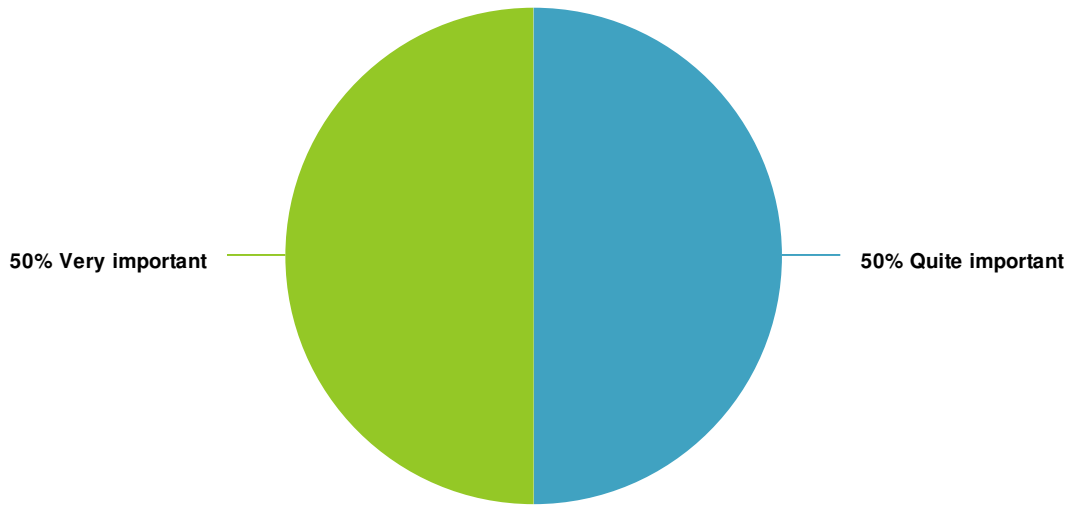
The town has good transport links

I am lucky that it is easy for me just now to visit family – by train for family, car or bus for friends

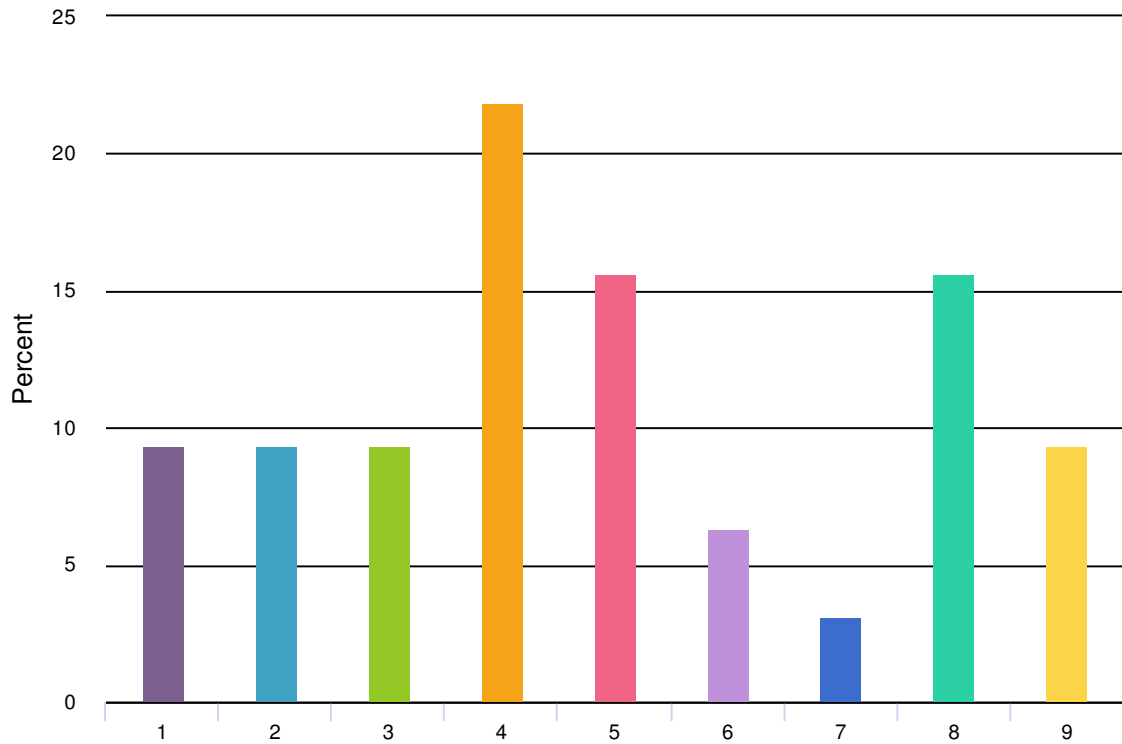
Good transport in C.A. gave me this opportunity and it is easy to reach other places in the UK

Most of my family live away or are all busy

5. How important to you is having suitable facilities and amenities for leisure and play with friends in your local community?



6. On a scale of 1 to 10, how well do local facilities and amenities meet your needs for leisure and play with friends? (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above).



### Statistics

Average

4.9

Total Responses

32

## Comments

### ResponseID Response

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We have very limited facilities even less for the disabled

I work 9-5 in perth. Everything social spy hat I would be interested in seems to be during the day.

Larghan park is great. Would like there also to be a good cafe and more varied shops in Coupar angus. The waymarked walks are good although not always actually passable. The kids cooking school is great, wish there were regular cooking and sewing and sports/arts clubs for kids locally that weren't too expensive

Does "facilities & amenities for leisure & play with friends" mean are there places to go for walks, run about and generally spend time outdoors – then yes. Lots of interesting walks and places to poke around at. If amenities means sports facilities, then I'm not interested. What about a playground for adults? I would love that. Adults should play a lot more than they do. I think that is why they often feel stressed. Playing definitely relieves tension.

I would like more family sport activities that are inexpensive ie transport to swimming pool – sports centres are days out.

Red House facilities are good. Bowling club – must survive. Sports clubs, eg cricket etc need publicity and support

Yes this is important especially as the present facilities don't actually attract me. Not wanting to join a club I would be interested in something like darts or table tennis where I could go at any time, probably with a friend or even alone.

We certainly lack a good café where we could meet for discussions, music, chat etc.

I'm missing a swimming pool and I'm missing a nice café.

Comfortable meeting rooms with lecture facilities (videos, power point) would be good.

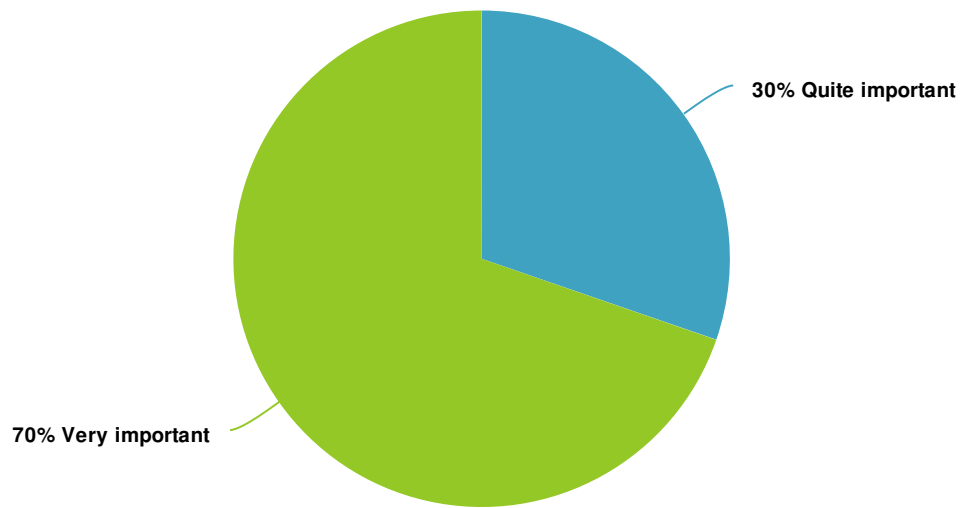
Need more meeting places in the community

There is a Leisure centre with a swimming pool etc, or McDonalds

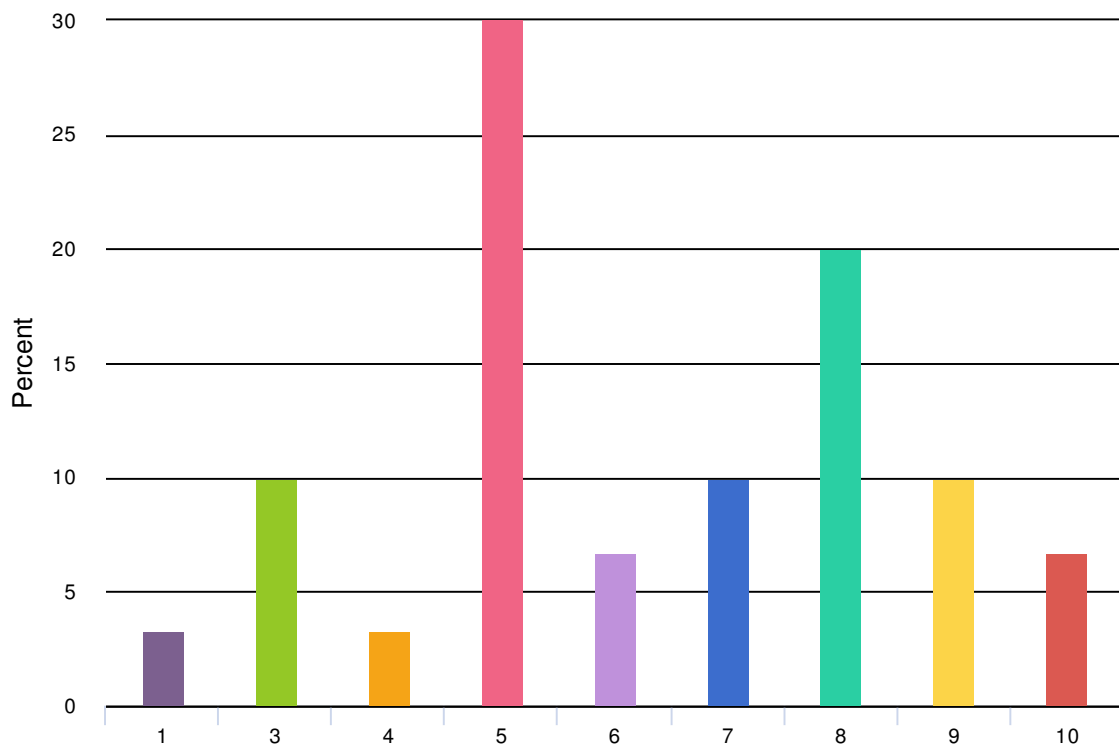
We don't have any suitable leisure places for teenagers

Need to travel for cinema/curling

7. How important is it that people in your local community help and care for each other?



8. On a scale of 1 to 10, how much do you agree with the following statement? "There are plenty of opportunities for me and other members of my local community to help and care for each other." (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)





## Statistics

Average	6.2
Total Responses	30

## Comments

### ResponseID Response

Being an extrovert with no mobility issues helps. Time is a constraint.

may not just be aware of them or busy with work

There are ALWAYS opportunities to care for others. If two human beings are at a communicable distance from one another, the opportunity exists. Many people in CA do this all the time and without recognition. Nobody in Coupar Angus can say they are unable to help someone. Anybody could visit the residents of Balhousie, able bodied people could clear the paths of snow, take in a parcel for a neighbour, bring in their washing if the rain comes on. The opportunities are always there, it is getting people to react to them that isn't always easy. If people are asked, they rarely refuse to help, but they don't always see when help could be needed.

I believe this is extremely important particularly as I live alone and know so many may be lonely and not like me able to get about. However this caring or help depends on knowing the person. It is very obvious we need a café for one thing – and perhaps a way of disabled or lonely people getting in touch with a named person or group who would know people willing to drive folk to a café etc.

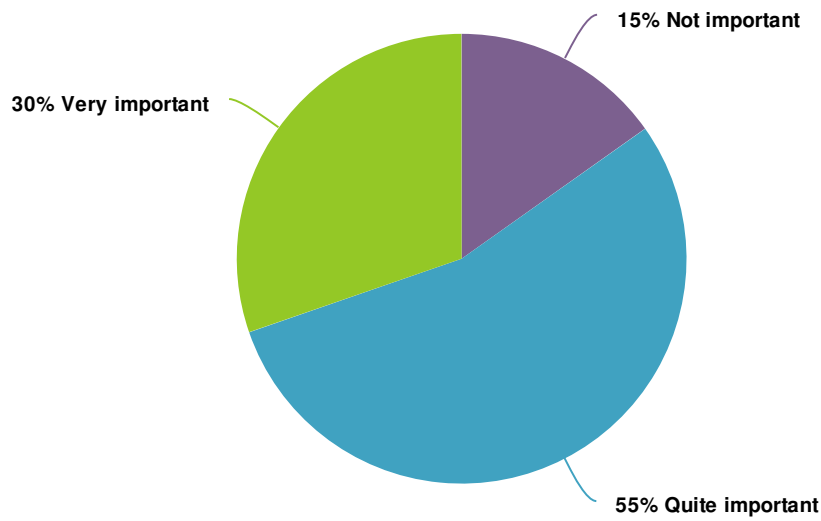
Perhaps this is already happening with PoP making the town a nice place to live and visit but perhaps we could do more. Knowing who the vulnerable in the community (are) might help people to be more caring but this might contravene individual's privacy.

In this modern world looking after our neighbours seem to be lost, and it will be nice to see this coming back.

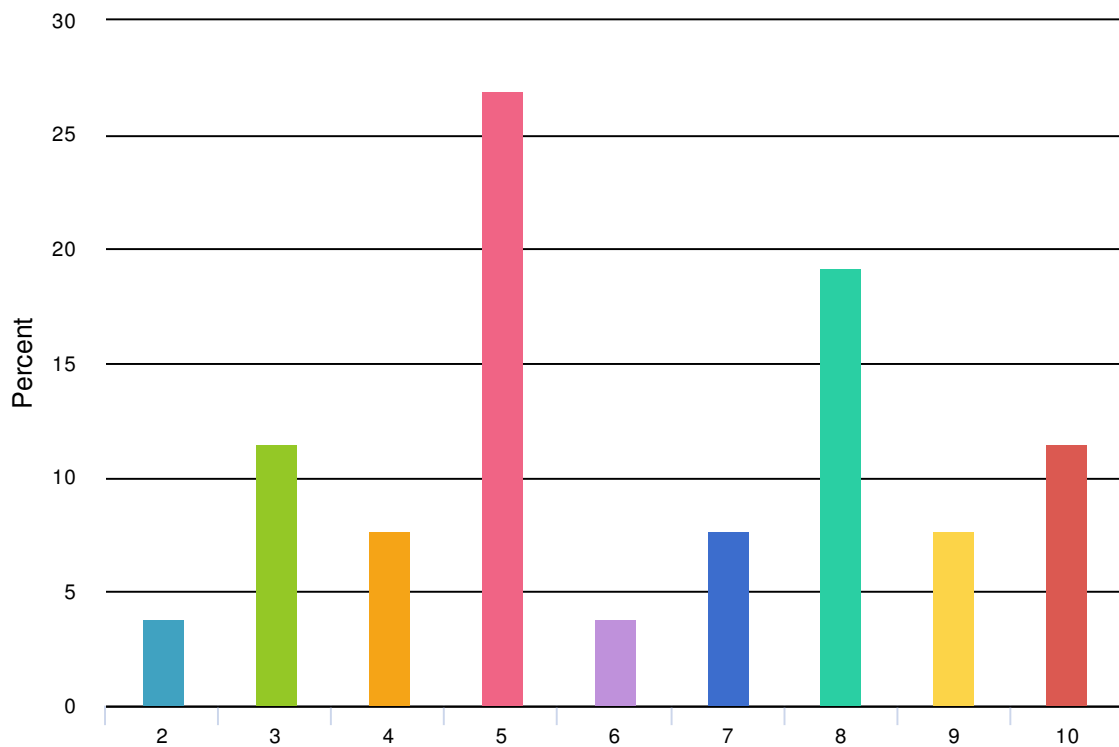
There should be more ways to do this for the younger generation

Not around- work fulltime

9. How important is it for you to take part in local cultural activities such as the annual Gala Day or the local book group?



10. Using any number from 1 to 10, where 1 is very difficult and 10 is very easy, what number would you use to rate how easy it is for you to take part in local cultural activities? (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)



## Statistics

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Average	6.2
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Total Responses	26
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## Comments

### ResponseID    Response

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Didn't know about the book thing at all.

Didn't know there was a book group. Cant always get to things so perhaps an online link to what the group are reading might help.

Because of my working hours, I personally find it hard to attend such things. I do like to keep up to date with events in the town, but honestly most of them are not particularly attractive.

Very important for me, although some community activities don't really appeal eg those mentioned above. But anything to do with art, workshops etc. or films & plays would be so good for people like me.

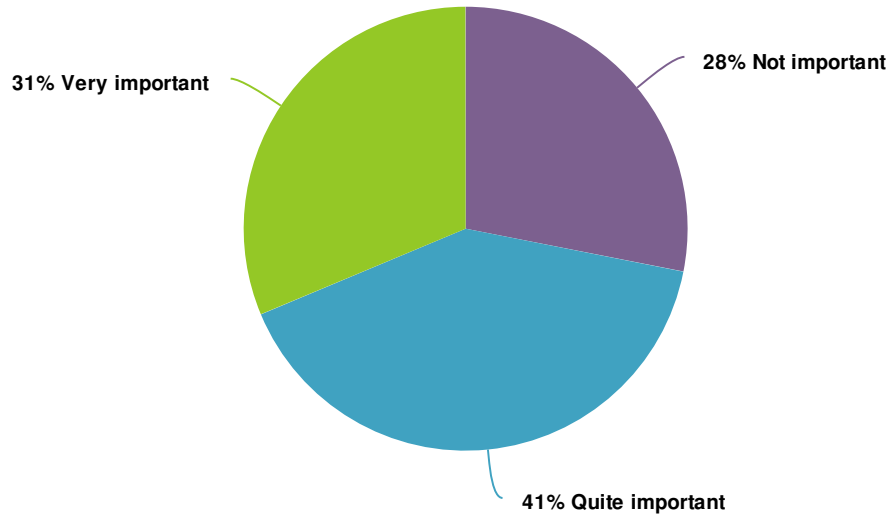
Supporting local events is important as it helps to build a community spirit. How easy is it for people to enter an existing group? Do people welcome new people to their group?

(What) is important is giving support to local events to get and keep the community together.

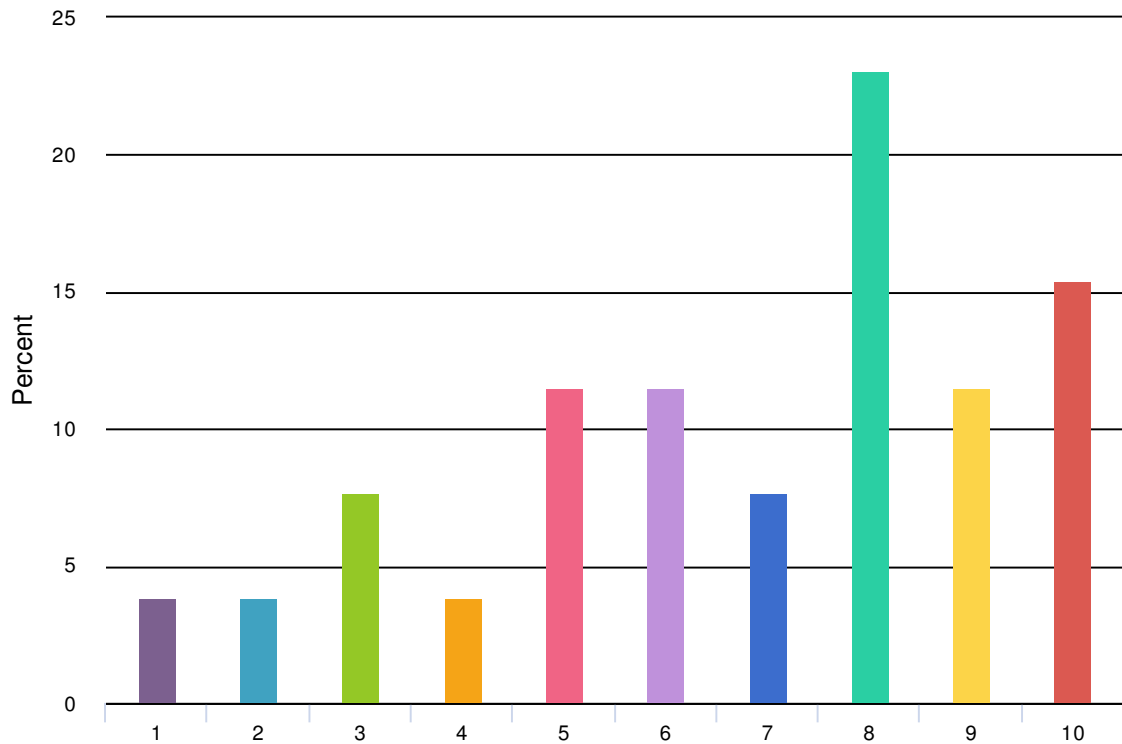
Gala days etc are very well advertised

Other commitments

11. How important is it for you to attend cultural activities outside of your local community?



12. Using any number from 1 to 10, where 1 is very difficult and 10 is very easy, what number would you use to rate how easy it is for you to attend cultural activities outside your local community? (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)



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I have a car.

But drive everywhere

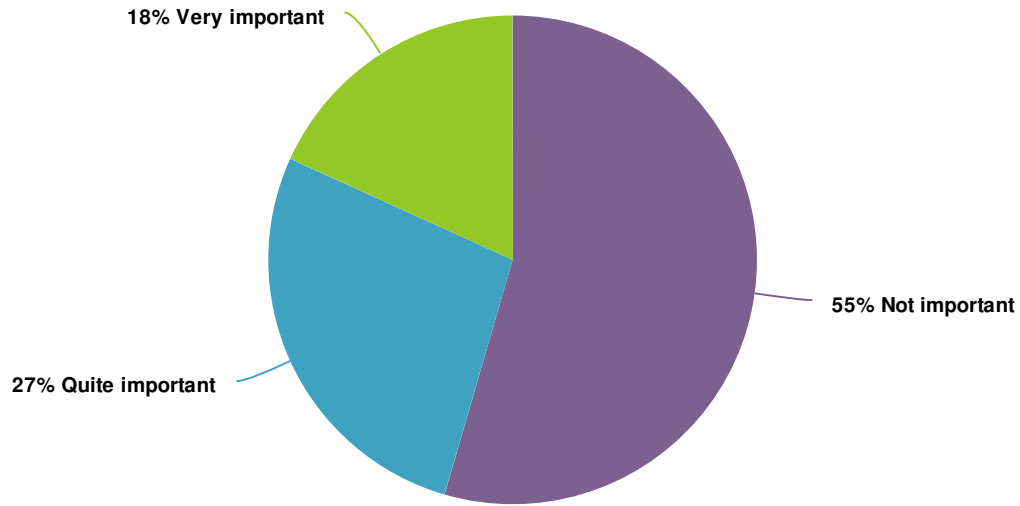
Going to meetings or lectures outside the town involves a bus for me and the evening service is poor. I used to go to monthly meetings in Dundee, but as the bus home didn't suit I had to pay someone to collect me, making the trip rather expensive. Last year my daughter and I went to a concert in Dundee. This involved two different buses to get to the venue (Gardyne Theatre) and two buses and a taxi home. The round trip took nearly six hours. Not easy!

Yes I do enjoy going to outside cultural events, lucky again to be able to and for those who are not, it would be good to offer a minibus for interested people. (as in Blairgowrie area run by a philanthropic lady)

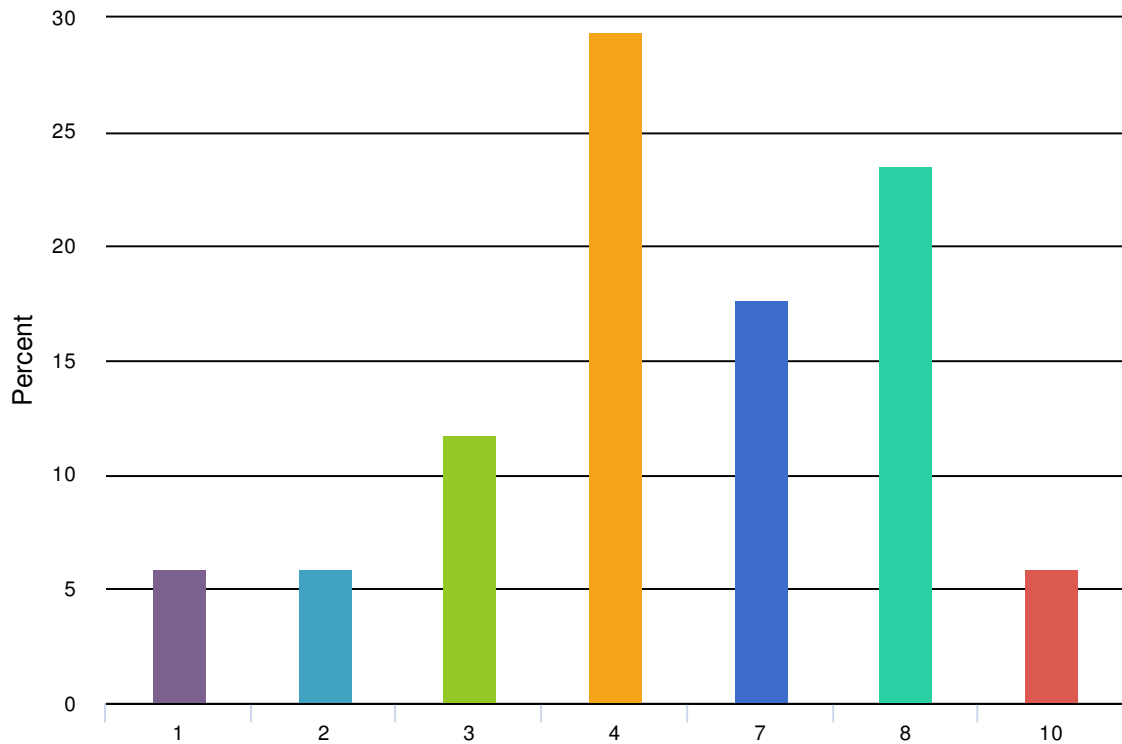
Having a car makes it no problem to leave the group. But not sure how public transport fits in with that.

Easy for me as I have a car, (but) not so easy if you need to go by bus, especially to evening classes.

13. How important is it for you to have the opportunity to express yourself artistically and creatively in your local community?



14. Using any number from 1 to 10, where 1 is very difficult and 10 is very easy, what number would you use to rate how easy it is for you to express yourself artistically and creatively in your local community? (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)



## Statistics

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Average	5.4
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Total Responses	17
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## Comments

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Would love more arts opportunity for adults and children, a space for exhibitions, workshops, woodworking, cooking, sewing, a coding club, drama/ amateur dramatics...

I confine myself to artistic expression in my own home for example sewing or knitting, gardening, making things with my grandchildren. Acquiring materials is impossible locally – I depend on the Internet for buying most things or else occasional trips to Glasgow or Edinburgh.

Yes very important, maybe people like me could be offered to take part in some creative local scheme led by some of our various artistic people?

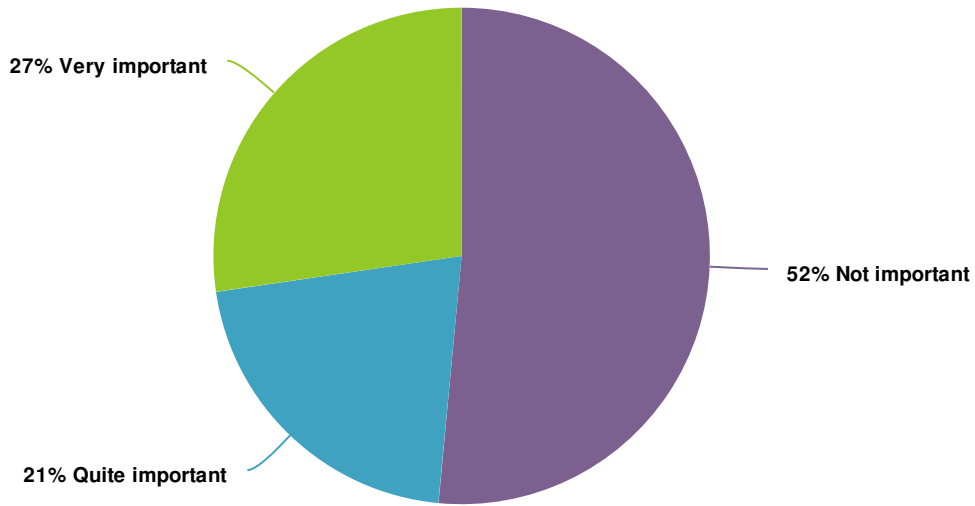
Enjoying some activities (it) is nice to be able to share with others.

My score is so high because I am an artist and I have my own studio, for others it is much more difficult to express their creativity. Local artists offer painting/ printmaking/ furniture painting classes, but there is nothing for wood or metal working. Knitting/ crocheting /spinning classes are available, but no sewing classes for example.

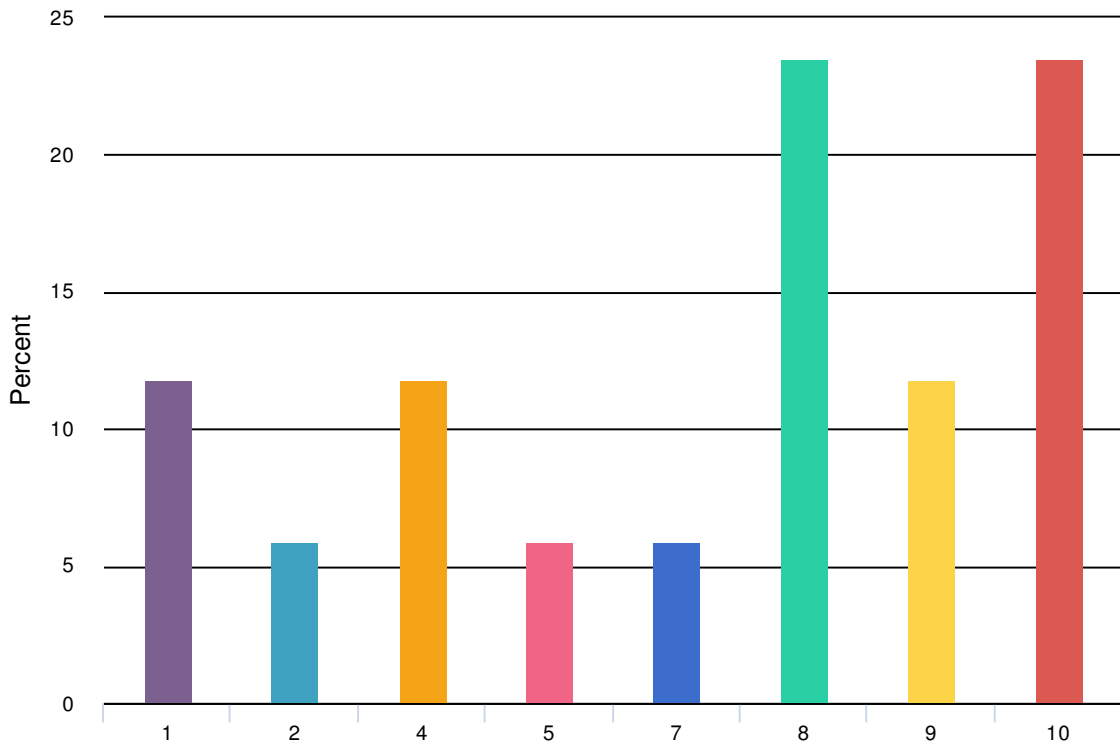
More groups/clubs for art & crafts

## A4: RELIGION AND SPIRITUALITY

15. How important is it for you to be able to follow your choice of religious or spiritual practice in your local community?



16. Using any number from 1 to 10, where 1 is very difficult and 10 is very easy, what number would you use to rate how easy it is for you to follow your choice of religious or spiritual practice in your local community? (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)





## Statistics

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Average 6.7

Total Responses 17

## Comments

### ResponseID Response

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To many religious biggots in the town

Completely straightforward. I have no religious beliefs therefore no needs. I don't feel any pressure to alter my spiritual feelings so I don't feel I have ever experienced a problem in this aspect of my life. My thoughts are mine alone and I don't need anything to allow me to think. Is there any reason why you have devoted a whole page to this - long comments anticipated?

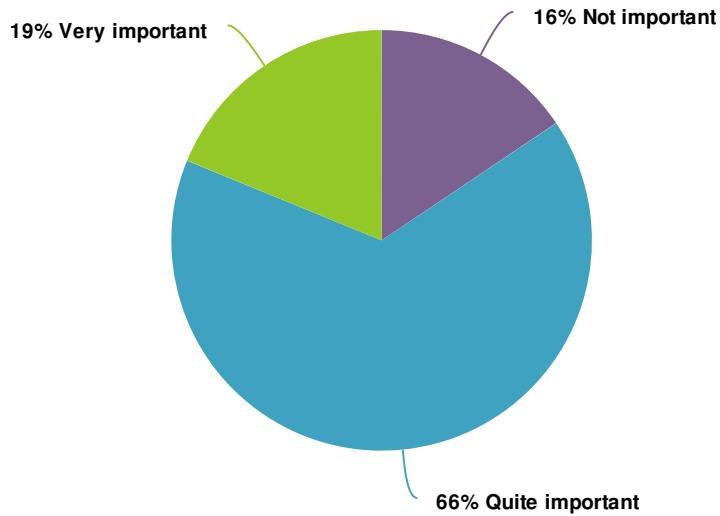
It is easy for me as I already attend church and a regular group, and it actually essential for me. But, there may be many who are interested in the spiritual dimension of humanity but would like to find some way to meet others in discussion with different speakers. NB Not psychic or "spiritualist" speakers.

Need for a place for ecumenical or inter-faith meetings (not just one place or one church)

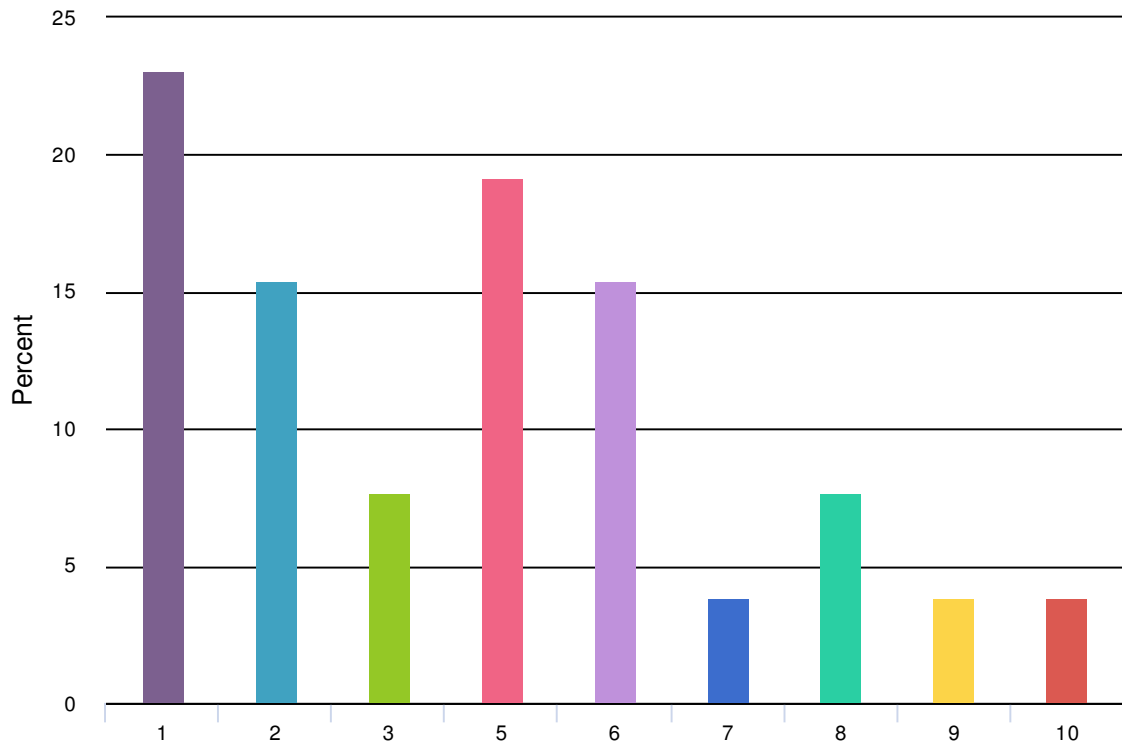
There is too many Polish people who try to get everything for free

## A5: EDUCATION

17. How important is it for you to be able to acquire new skills and knowledge, whether for career advancement or personal interest?



18. Using any number from 1 to 10, where 1 is very difficult and 10 is very easy, what number would you use to rate how easy it is for you, as a local resident, to acquire new skills and knowledge? (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)



## Statistics

Average	4.3
Total Responses	26

## Comments

### ResponseID Response

I'm doing a course at perth college so perhaps the rate should be 10 but the courses in CA are mostly during the working day.

I would like to be able to acquire new skills such as successful gardening, more understanding of managing my money, intelligent discussion of interesting topics but there is no opportunity for this in Coupar Angus. The Library in CA is totally inadequate both in selection of books and opening hours. I have to go to AK Bell which is fine but is time consuming and a £6 bus fare round trip. There is practically nothing in Coupar Angus of an EDUCATIONAL mind-stretching nature. You just have to fall back on your own resources.

Library important - upgrade & increase opening hours.

Yes I would love to improve artistically, but not to join a weekly group . "Workshops" attract me as a way of progressing. Also I would welcome a course for us older computer users.

Learning is life long and it is important for people to be able to continue to develop. Joining groups that improve the community does offer chances to pick up new skills in a variety of areas.

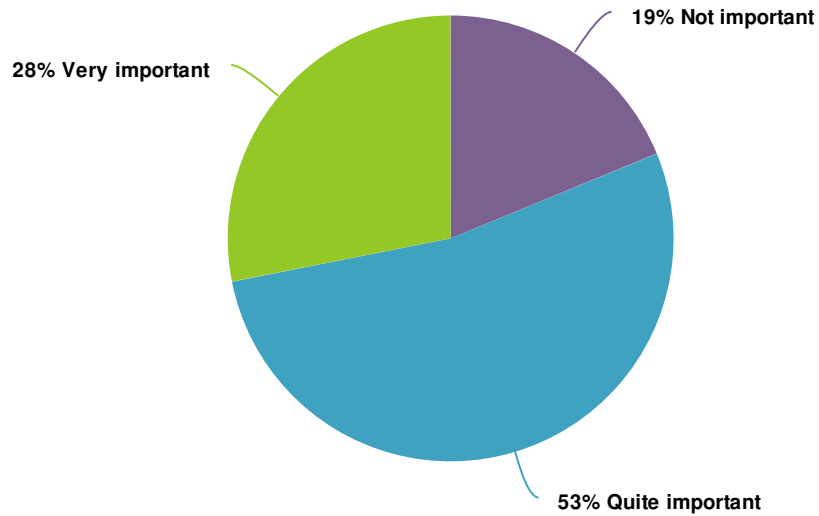
Nobody offers "hands on" classes and there is no communal workshop space available apart from the cycle hub.

Workshops to learn more skills

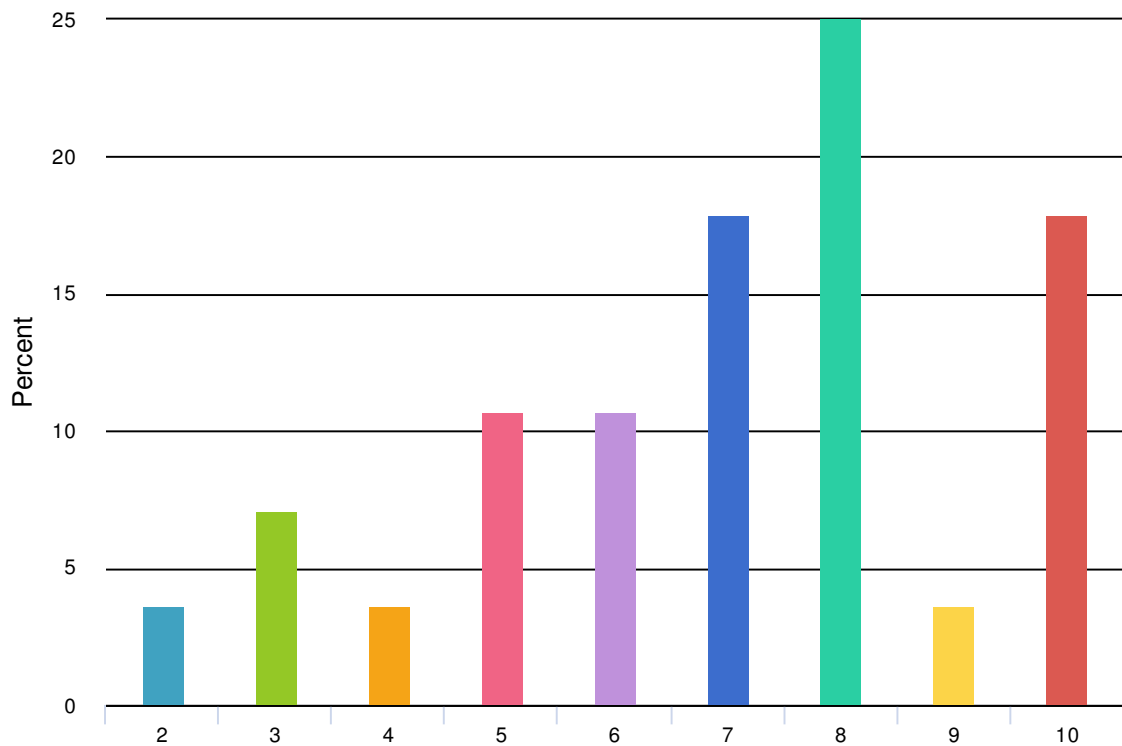
The school here is shite. Autistic children are not cared for. There are not enough transfer places when you leave the primary school.

Not tried

19. How important is it for you to learn about the history and heritage of your local community?



20. Using any number from 1 to 10, where 1 is very difficult and 10 is very easy, what number would you use to rate how easy it is for you to learn about the history and heritage of your local community? (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)



## Statistics

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Average	7.0
Total Responses	28

## Comments

### ResponseID Response

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I use the Internet.

I would be happy to share my knowledge with anyone who would be interested. As for learning more – research at county/country level would probably be required. I think it is essential that local knowledge is passed on and not lost as generations pass on, but with a fluid population this is not easy. Local knowledge is precious but fragile.

Heritage Association - excellent

Not really I'm afraid.

Always interesting in knowing the history of the place where one lives.

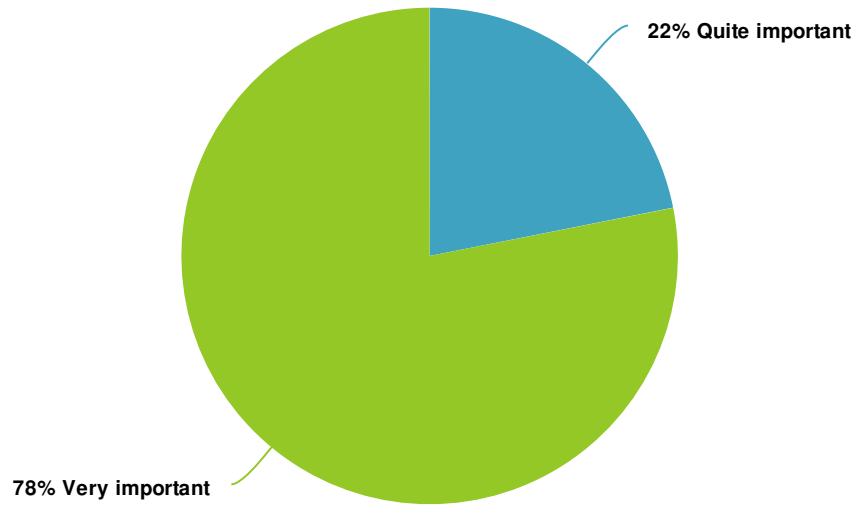
Heritage centre and library are excellent resources

A museum (larger than the Heritage Centre) for the history of Coupar Angus and Strathmore – including a model of Coupar Angus Abbey as it would have been.

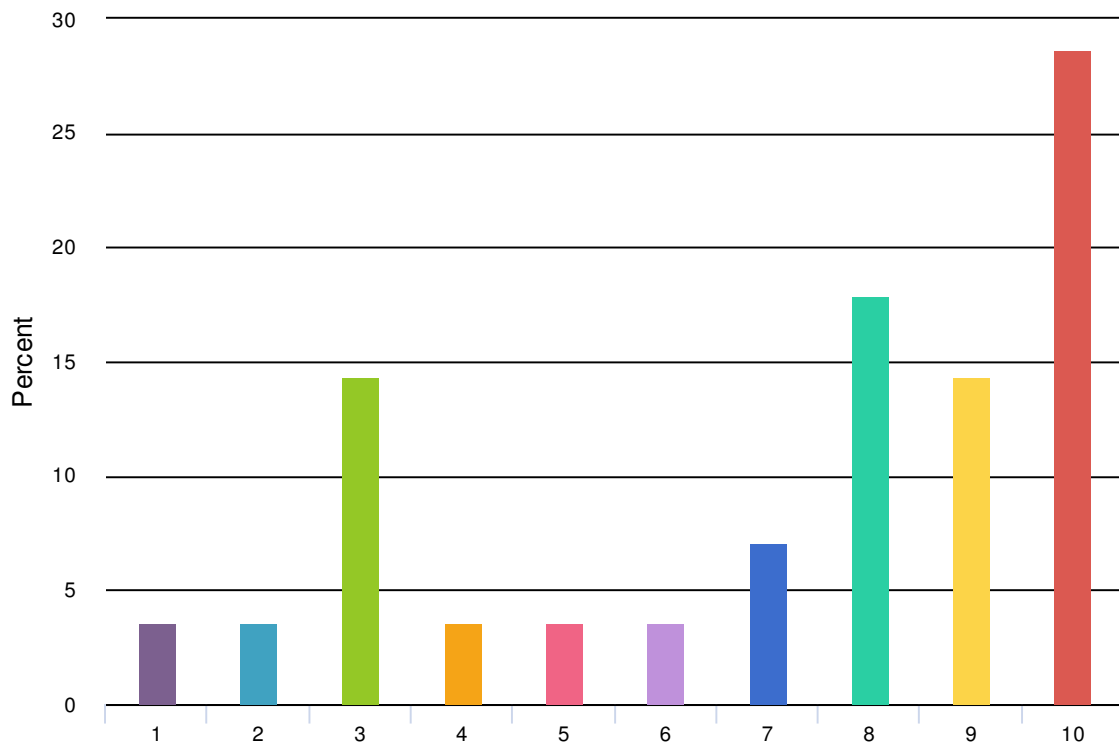
It is important as I do Higher History

## A6: CIVIL RIGHTS

21. How important is it to you that everyone has the same rights and responsibilities, without discrimination?



22. Using any number from 1 to 10, where 1 means you disagree completely and 10 means you agree completely, to what extent do you agree with the following statement?: “I am treated as an equal member of my local community, without discrimination” (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)



## Statistics

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Total Responses

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## Comments

### ResponseID Response

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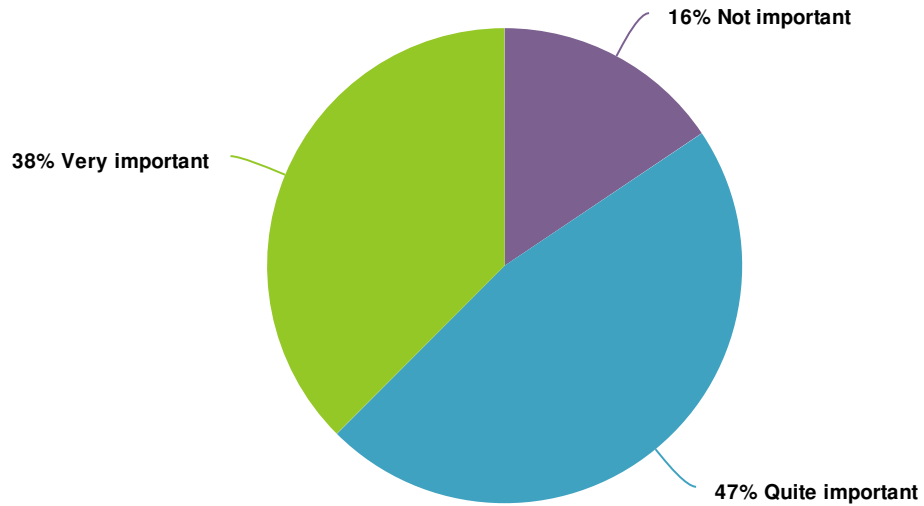
I feel that I am an accepted and respected member of the community. Everyone ought to be able to feel this way. In my experience CA is a most accepting community. I can't honestly bring to mind any examples of prejudice I have seen or heard although they no doubt do exist.

I think any ideas or suggestions for the town will be largely ignored unless you live on Caddam Road.

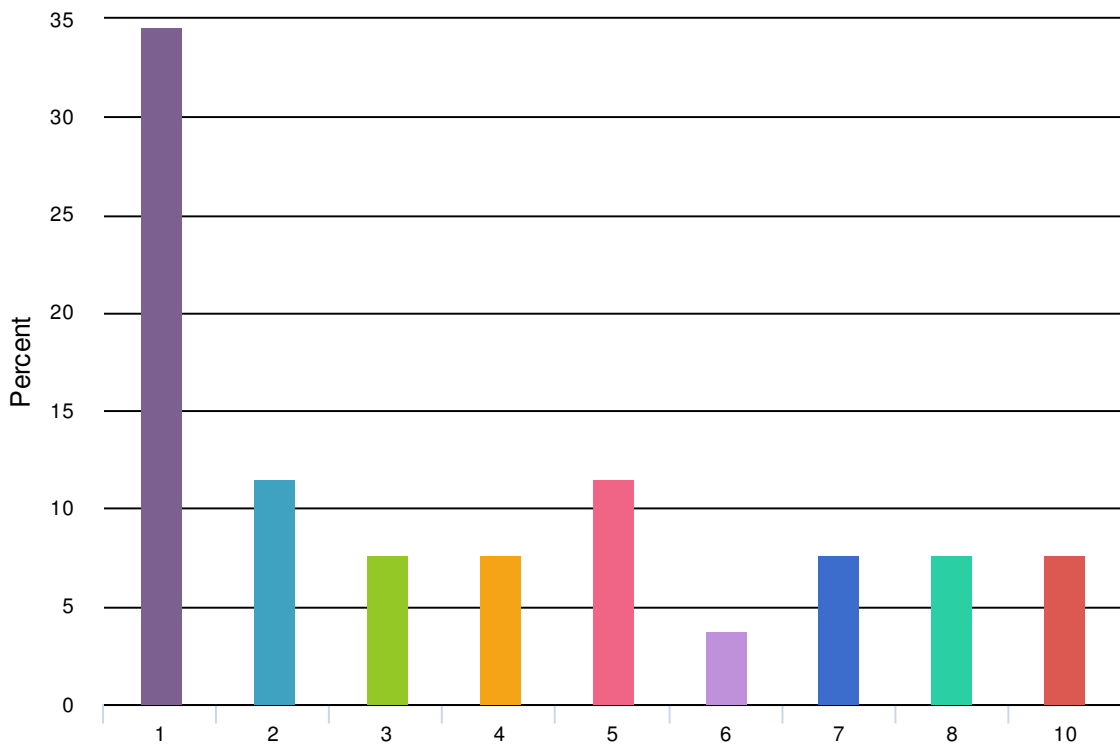
Yes this is very important which is why this survey is necessary, because so many older people don't want to turn out (usually evenings) to meetings, yet desperately need a way to voice their problems and opinions.

## A7: DEMOCRACY

23. How important is it for you to take part in making decisions that affect you and your community, and to negotiate your rights and responsibilities in the community?



24. Use a number from 1 to 10 to indicate how much influence you feel you have over decisions that affect you and your community, including negotiating your rights and responsibilities as a community member? The higher the number, the more influence you feel you have. (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)





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Average	3.8
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Total Responses	26
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## Comments

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Voting is about as far as it goes although I have asked for issues to be raised at council meetings.

Have done my share in the past. I leave it to the new generation.

I don't necessarily feel that I personally have to make decisions about my community as long as I have faith in those who do this for me. However at present I cannot say that this is so. I would avoid the Community Council with a bargepole and PK Council doesn't have the town's best interests at heart. Of course I want my voice to be heard and my opinions acknowledged as surely everybody does, but mine is one voice among thousands and how can they all be treated equally? Not possible. I prefer to leave politics to others on the whole, but will always exercise my franchise - for what it is worth.

As I mentioned previously, unless you are in a certain group your ideas will never be taken on board. It seems the hobbyists etc have decided what they think the town needs rather than actually listen to what people are asking for, and having sought approval from fellow clique members for their ideas, their ideas happen, nothing happens to other suggestions.

Again, it's difficult when older to come to community meetings. Not sure how that can be helped, unless there was space in the monthly CANdo for comments and an easy way of sending them in.

As an active member of 38Degrees I feel that it is important that everyone uses their vote in all elections, and where possible work to make our democracy more representative.

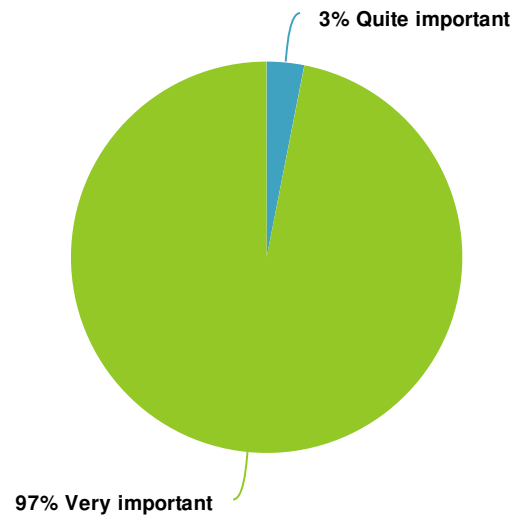
There are local interest groups dealing with different aspects of community life but they tend to work in discord with each other.

Community Council should have greater powers devolved from Perth & Kinross Council.

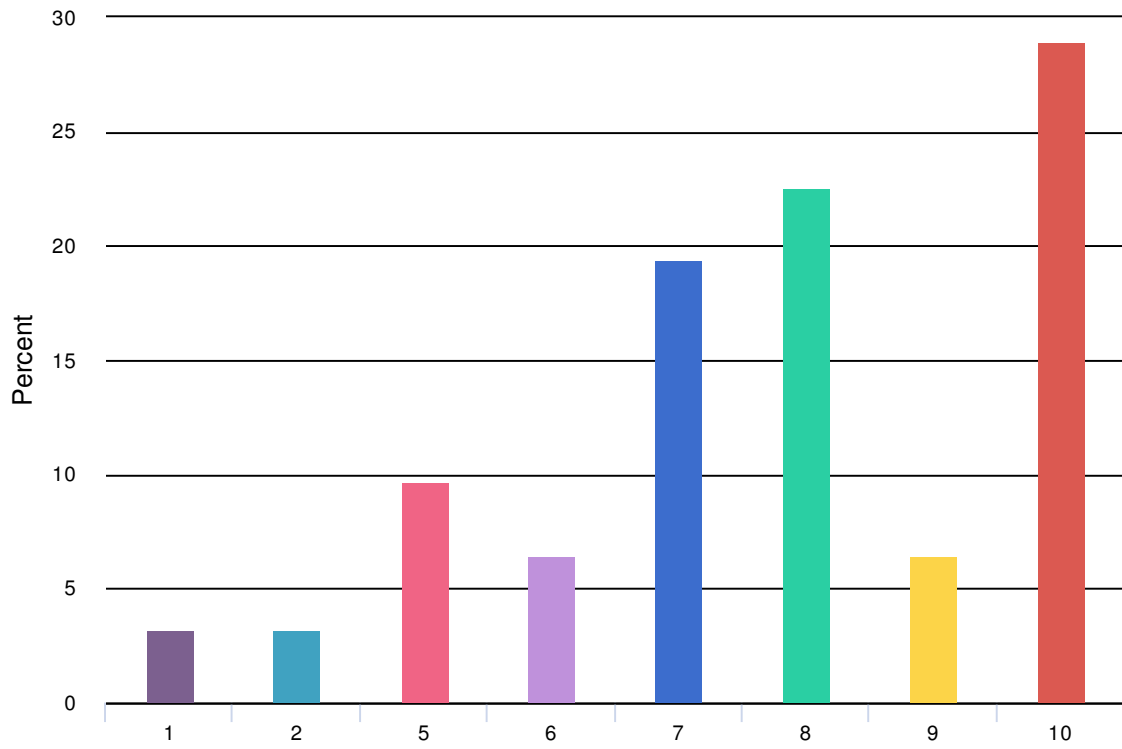
Not around

## A8: HEALTH & FITNESS

25. How important is it for you to have good medical and support services in your local community?



26. Using any number from 1 to 10, where 1 is 'very poorly' and 10 is 'very well', what number would you use to rate how well local medical and support services meet your needs? (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)



## Statistics

Average

7.6

Total Responses

31

## Comments

## ResponseID Response

I have the greatest respect for the medical profession. I luckily don't need more than a few gp visits per year (touch wood)

We are very lucky in our town. Could do with sheltered type housing for older people.

Surely this is a pointless question- who would NOT want good medical services? I have always found that my needs have been met more than satisfactorily. Bear in mind we are talking about the NATIONAL health service – surely this is outwith the scope of Coupar Angus? I suppose it's important for me to have peace of mind that my needs would be met should the need arise, but that's not a Coupar thing – everybody will think that way. I currently enjoy excellent health thank goodness.

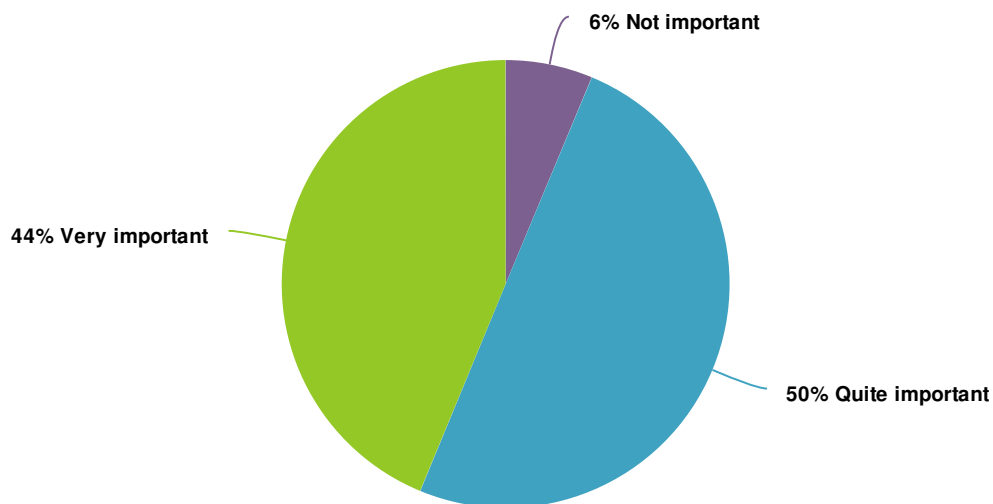
I report to the Health Centre twice a week so it is very important to me.

I believe there already are good medical & support services, but, is there perhaps a need for a voluntary group who could accompany those needing someone with them to take a short walk regularly?

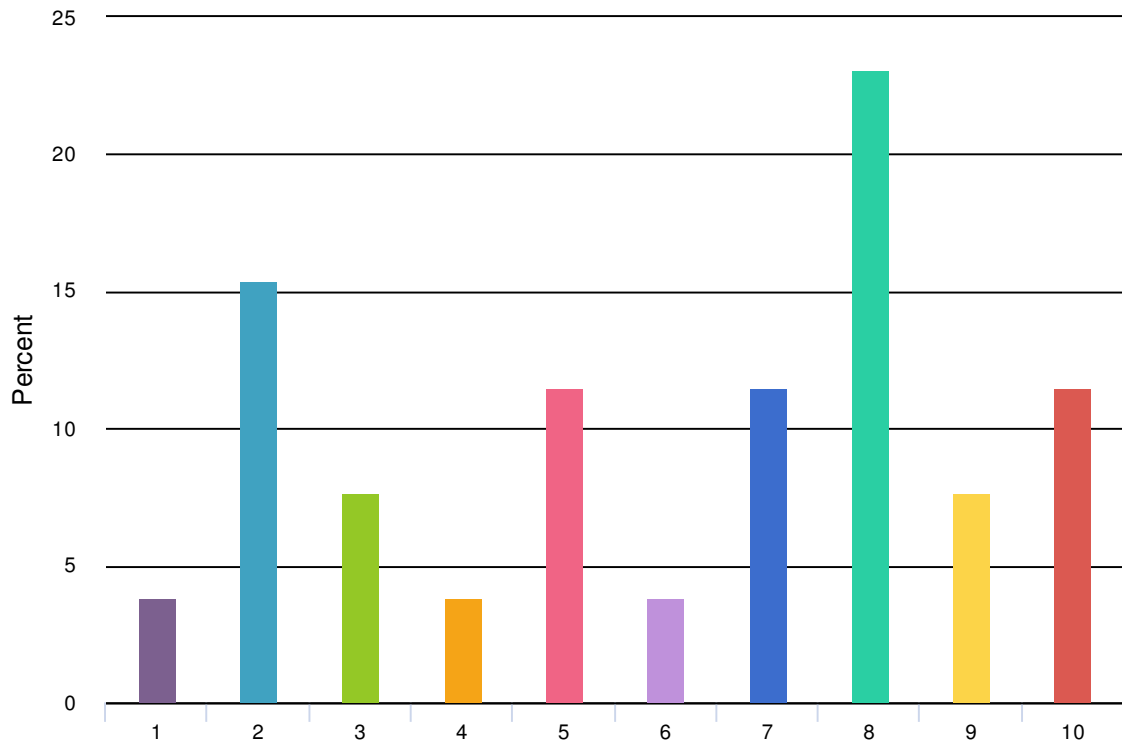
Access to good health facilities is important for a good quality of life. However health is not just about physical medicine but mental state as well. Encouraging people to mix and join in groups is good.

Open hours of doctors and lack of appointments are poor

27. How important is it for you to have suitable facilities and amenities in your local community to help you maintain your fitness?



28. Using any number from 1 to 10, where 1 is 'very poorly' and 10 is 'very well', what number would you use to rate how well local facilities and amenities meet your needs for keeping fit? (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)



### Statistics

Average 6.0

Total Responses 26

### Comments

## ResponseID Response

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Walking, on my own with the dog and a couple of evening classes? We need more focus on fitness.

How I keep fit is up to me. I will not be joining walking clubs/ keep fit groups/ cycling hubs. This is a personal responsibility, not the town's. If I want exercise I will go for a walk as and when I see fit. You can't expect the town as a community to take on responsibility for this. Nowadays I think everyone knows what measures they ought to take to maintain optimum fitness but no one can actually force you to do so. Equally, you don't need facilities and amenities laid on. The opportunities for healthy living are available to all without resorting to gyms, slimming world, zumba etc. People make their own choices regardless of facilities provided.

The gym facilities in town are good, fitness classes there are many, but costly and travelling to Blair isn't always convenient. I would like family group activities, assistance with transport to sports events, activities etc.

Red House/ excellent recreational opportunities in surrounding countryside.

My comment is that the regular fitness groups eg in the Town Hall are all needing to be rescheduled. There is nowhere just now where one could go anytime - to a safe place with an attendant - to play table tennis, darts etc. or for young people to have a game of badminton or indoor football.

Being a pensioner, it is important in keeping fit and I enjoy walking, cycling, gardening. I also like to go to the gym room in winter, but of course for this I have to go to Blairgowrie.

I'm missing a swimming pool and more cycle trails plus trail maps.

Countryside is wonderful. Score would be 10 if there was a swimming pool.

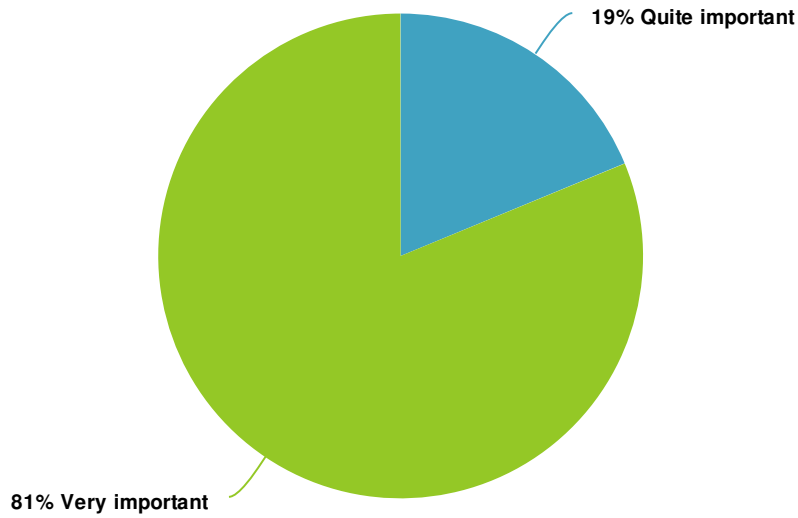
There should be more than 2 hours of P.E. a week, at least 3 or more.

We need a safe place to go cycling especially with kids. We have tried cycling round the path at the park, but it is full of holes and loose stones. Even walking on it is difficult.

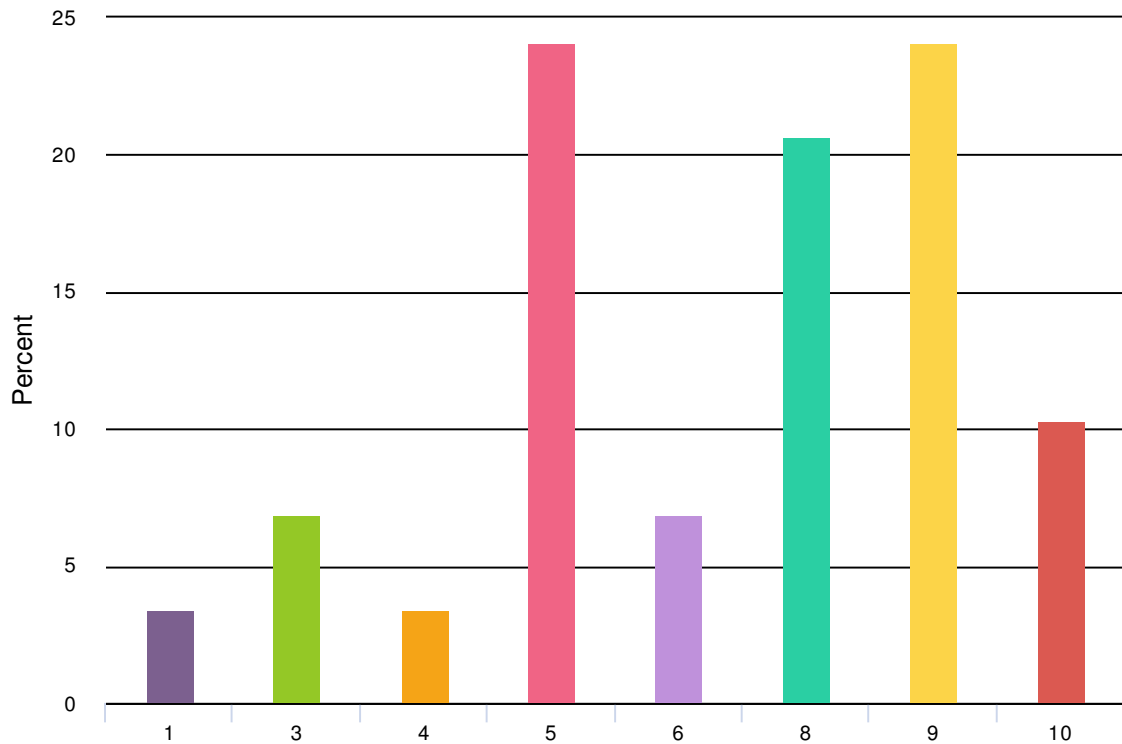
No easy to access swimming pool

## A9: COMMUNITY SAFETY

29. How important for you is the prevention of crime and anti-social behaviour in your local community?



30. Using any number from 1 to 10, where 1 is 'very unsafe' and 10 is 'very safe', what number would you use to rate how safe you feel from crime and anti-social behaviour in your local community? (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)



## Statistics

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Average 6.9

Total Responses 29

## Comments

### ResponseID Response

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As a blind person i do not always feel safe especially when the sounds at the main crossing are swiched off in the evening. Also the shared space in the town center is very unsafe as moterists just speed without any regard for the small crossing and many people myself included have had some close calls crossing it.

I've lived in Yorkshire. Even the tough nuts are pussycats after that.

I never feel unsafe in Coupar Angus. I am happy to walk home whatever the hour. I think CA is safer now than it has ever been. I have never been the victim of crime or anti-social behaviour. A lot of people exaggerate the danger and say things are worse than they were in the past but I don't think this is the case. I know some old people say they would never go out at night but I have never heard of an old person being attacked or threatened locally. I think it is a shame people think this way and are frightened to go out in their own town when the risk is infinitesimally tiny.

There is plenty of this about referring to Q1 – there are not many people in the town I would choose to socialize with unless I turn to a life of drug dealing, crime, or move up to Caddam

Neighbourhood Watch

Of course it depends where your home is situated, I myself feel safe in an enclosed group of houses, but on a main road- like George Street it is another matter on which I can't have an opinion.

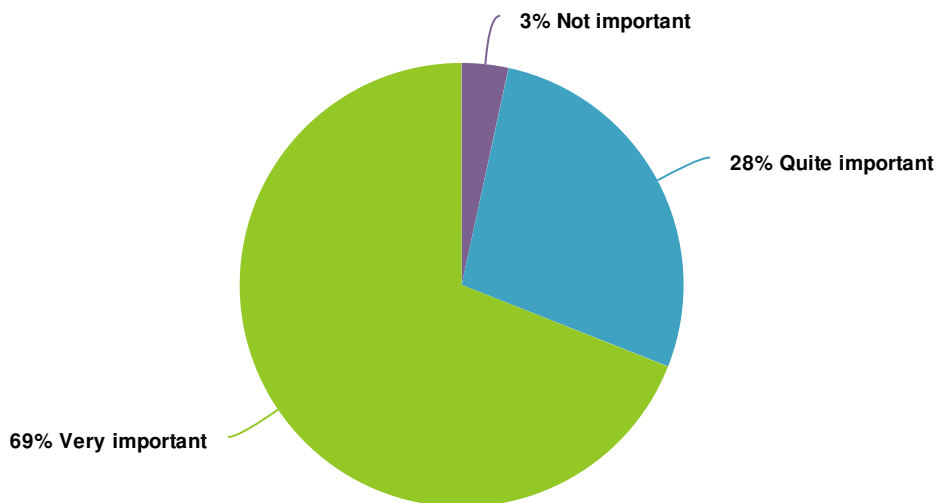
Most people who choose to live in a small community do so to have a peaceful life.

Everyone should feel safe against Polish people or travelers.

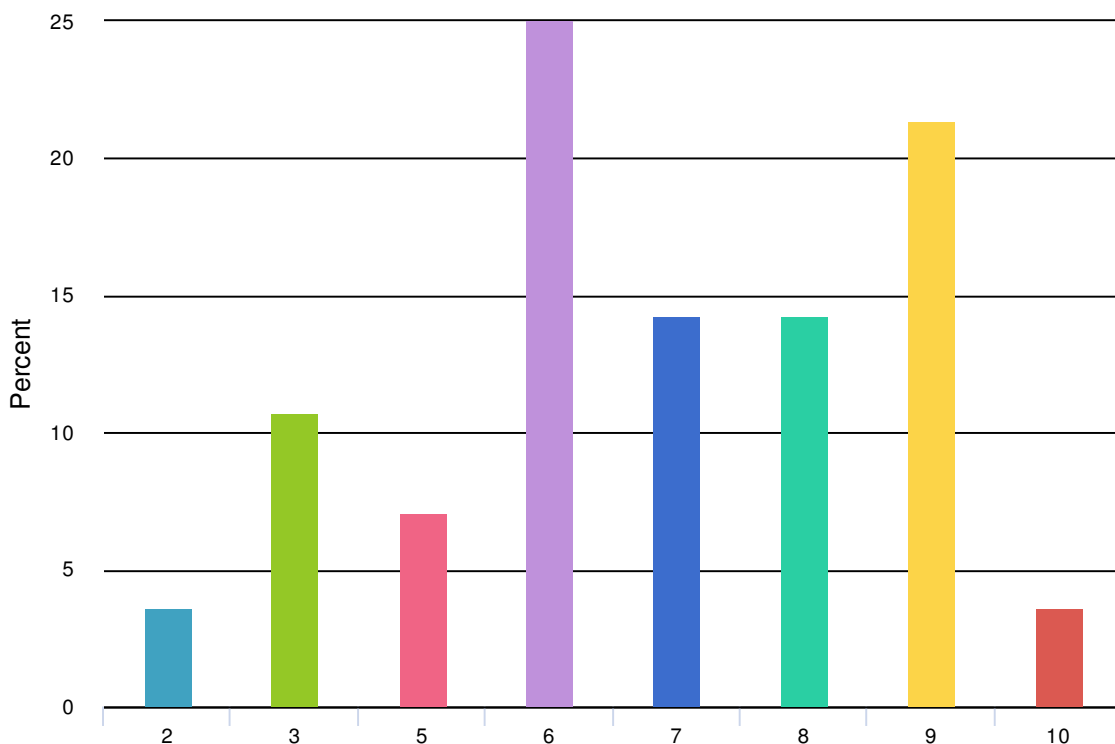
recent incident



31. How important to you is having a low risk of accidental injury in your local community, for example being hit by a car or slipping on ice in winter?



32. Using any number from 1 to 10, where 1 is 'very unsafe' and 10 is 'very safe', what number would you use to rate how safe you feel from accidental injury in your local community? (Don't answer if you said "Not important", above)



## Statistics

Average	6.7
Total Responses	28

## Comments

### ResponseID Response

I would never vote too high in this due to the risk of overplaying health and safety at expense of free will and learning from sheer stupidity. People should always have an element of responsibility for their actions. If you fall on ice, that's just nature sometimes. If you are hit by a car when you're on your phone it pisses you off. If on the crossing and car speeding, different story.

Another silly question. Who would actually want to have an accident? Of course I don't WANT to be hit by a car or fall flat on my nose on the ice, but accidents happen and you can't wrap yourself or your loved ones in cotton wool. I don't think CA is any better or worse statistically for accidents than anywhere else. I can understand that the elderly or less fleet on their pins will be wary about launching forth on icy days, but is gritting/ snow clearing a PKC responsibility, not a CA matter. You can try to reduce the likelihood of people coming to grief, but you can never prevent it and I think CA is probably about average so I have scored 5 for this.

I think pavement gritting for the elderly would be good, otherwise people have a duty to cross roads etc with care themselves. The lack of kerbs at the Cross is a concern as is parking in Town Centre. Vans etc using bakers block views and difficult for pedestrians and motorists.

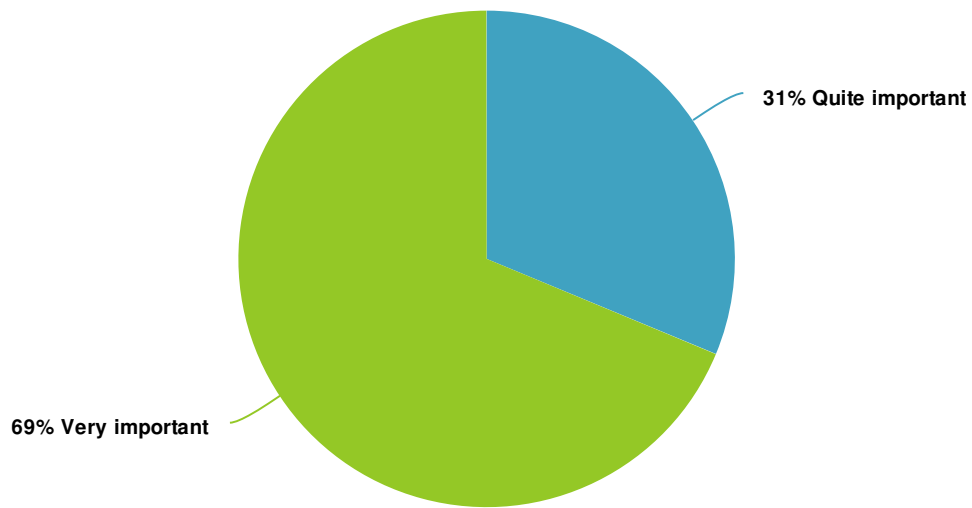
Again depends on where you are, in my case there is no risk from cars hardly but a lot of risk from slipping on ice. In a place that is so at risk from ice, I think again that there could be a group of volunteers who would be available to sand pavements etc. and everyone needs to know who to contact, and not feel they are being a nuisance.

Well if you slip on ice you obviously have the wrong footwear on logically.

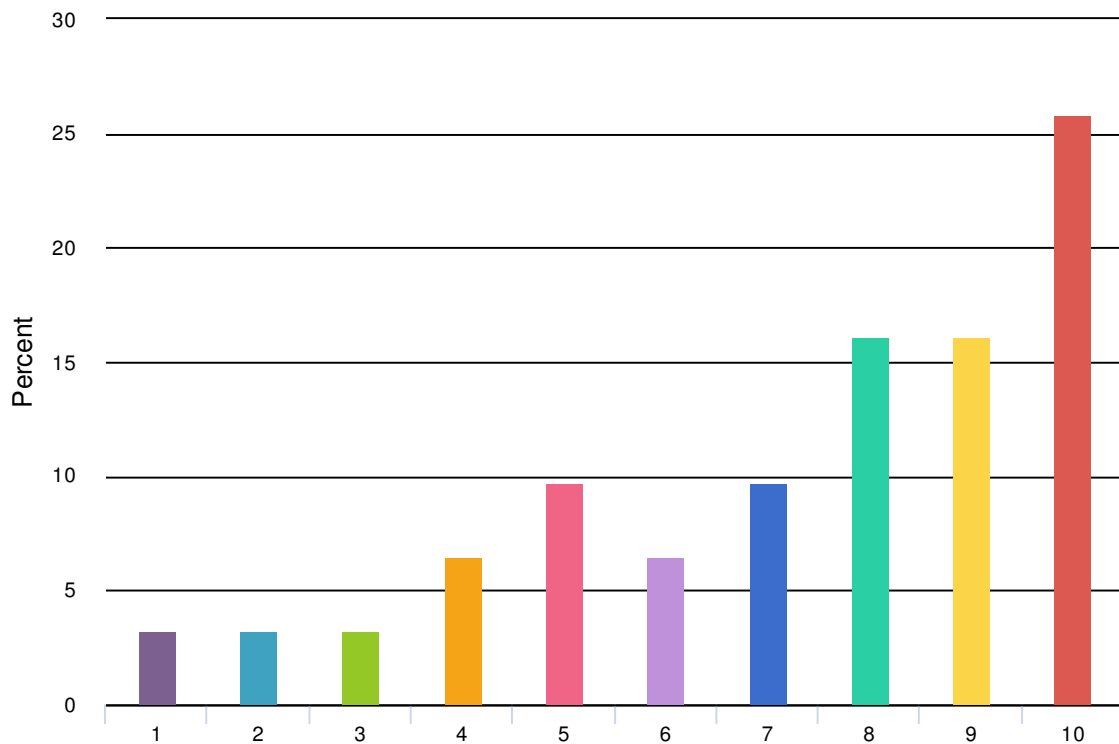
We never get gritters in our street.

**Part B: The Environmental Dimension - this is what you said about your environment.**

33. YOUR HOME ENVIRONMENT: How important for you is having a comfortable, easy-to-heat home?



34. On a scale of 1-10, how comfortable and easy-to-heat is your home? (No score if you ticked "Not Important", above)



## Statistics

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Average 7.3

Total Responses 31

## Comments

### ResponseID Response

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I own my home. My responsibility.

Your house is always easy to heat if you have plenty of money! I don't have plenty of money so I do my best. I think only old folk should have a constantly warm house. You can get used to cooler temps and in healthy people it increases your resistance to germs. People think it is their right to be able to wear T-shirts around the house all year round but they'll be all the softer for it. If you are ill or old you deserve a warm house with no worries, but otherwise live within your means. I love my house and find it very comfortable. I realise I am lucky in that.

ESCA did an energy visit. I would like more assistance with financial support to improve my home. ESCA didn't tell me much I didn't know.

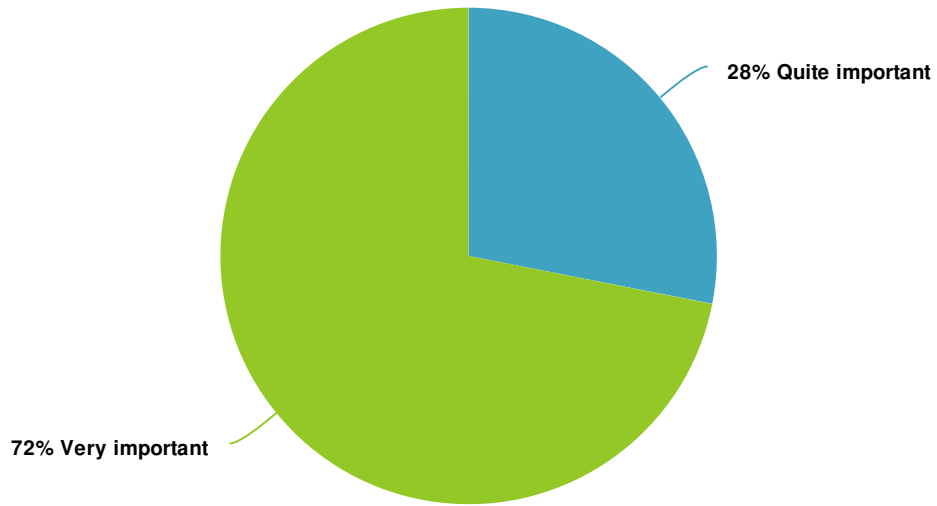
Those of us with central heating (modern) are OK. Not so though if dependent with financial problems.

Difficult to achieve as the cost can be high when you live in an old property.

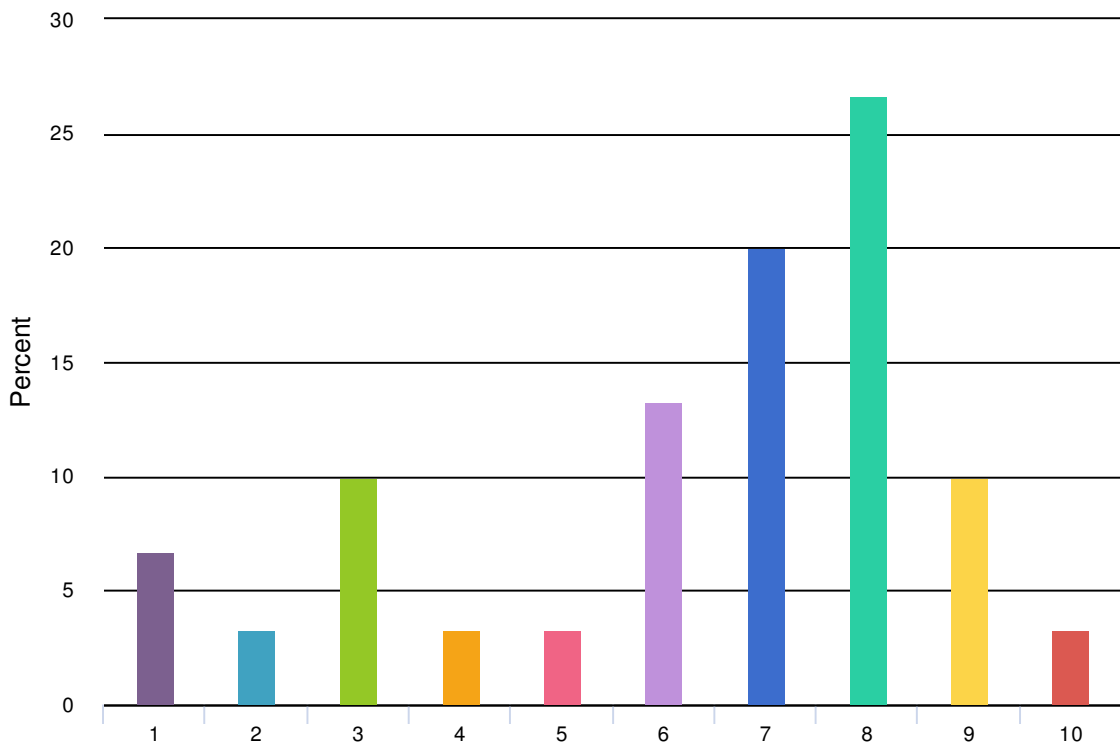
My home happens to have double insulated walls.

My house is very comfy so 10

35. YOUR LOCAL ENVIRONMENT: How important is it that your local community is beautiful and unpolluted?



36. On a scale of 1-10, how beautiful and unpolluted is your local community? (Don't answer if you said "Not important", above)



### Statistics

Average

6.3

Total Responses

30

## Comments

### ResponseID Response

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Good work local council. Keep it up. :)

“Beautiful” and “unpolluted” are not synonyms. I would give the town 10 for beauty because any way you look at the town you can see beauty. It’s location is second to none and within the town there are fine examples of architectural beauty and little pockets of pleasure dotted throughout. The Coupar Burn is relatively pollution free but the huge black pall that hangs over the town emanates from the Chicken Factory. As long as there is a factory there will be a stink. Perhaps we are lucky that this is our main pollutant. Hence the 7 score relates to this. At least it isn’t constant. As it has been with us as long as the factory has, realistically we’ll never be free of it.

1] Chicken factory 2]Rubbish left after burn dredging 3] The town looks tired and run down – patched pavements & generally depressing 4] I like flowers and baskets – a saving grace!

Town Centre still feels like a job half done.

Of course the main pollution is from cars if living in the main street. Most usual pollution is from the poor dogs whose owners do not bother to pick up their poo. Mostly people are good about it, but I think Causewayend is particularly prone to neglect.

PoP has made a difference along with the Community Gardens but not sure we can deal with pollution on our own. Encouraging people to re-cycle more.

Thanks to the PoP volunteers Coupar Angus looks quite neat but there are always people who don’t care. How can they be educated or fined for that matter?

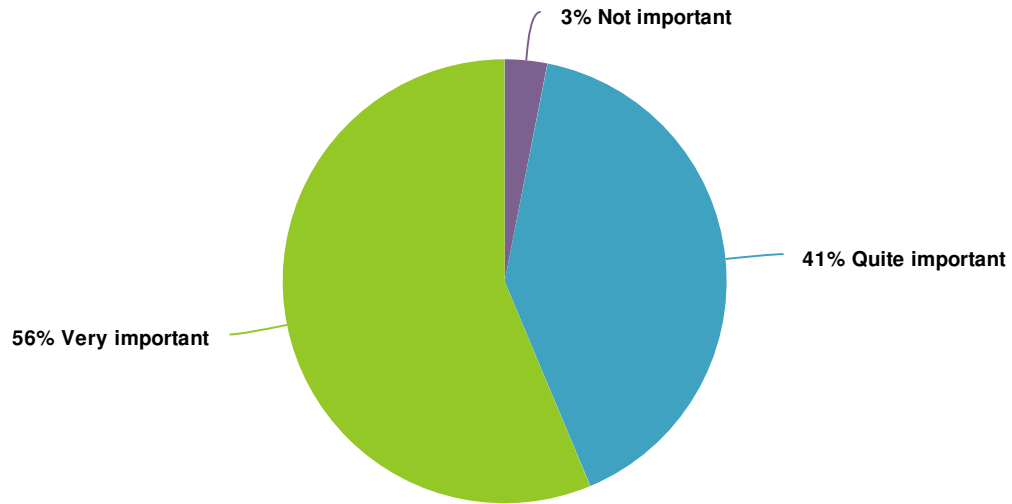
Help businesses to open and prosper in the centre of Coupar Angus.

The smell from the chicken factory can be very bad at times.

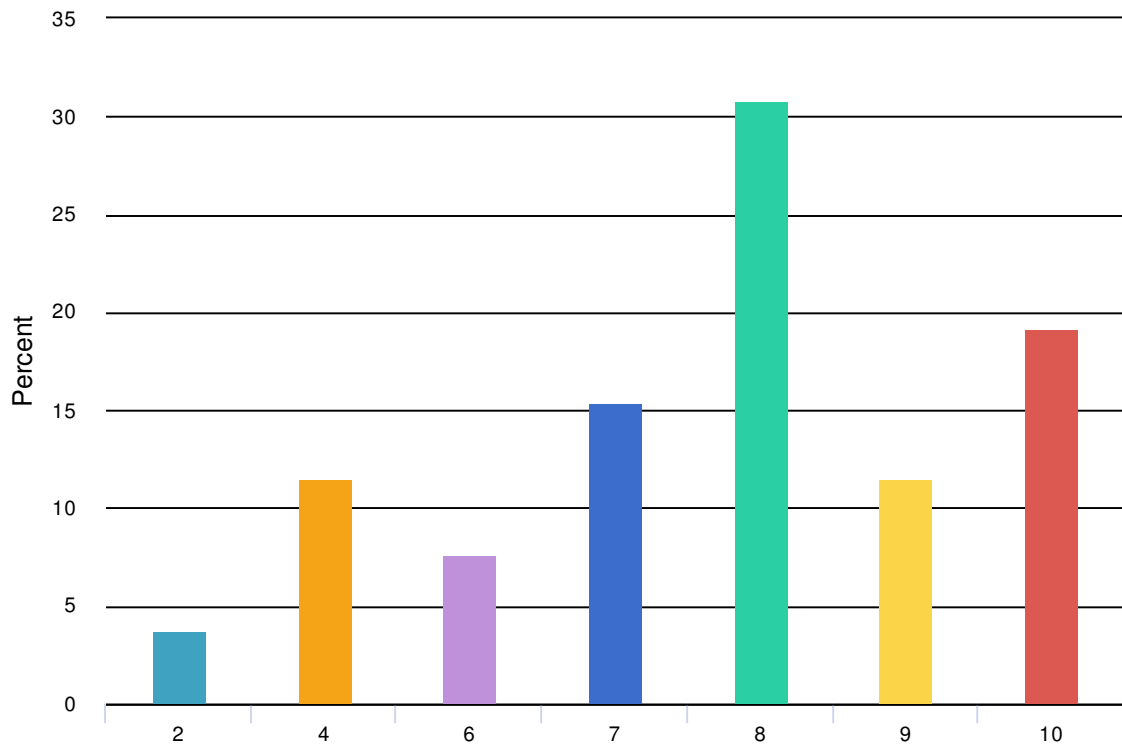
Smell from the chicken factory some days is minging.

Town centre is ok but do gooders dont help outside town centre because they want be see

**37. THE GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT:** How important for you is helping to protect the global environment?



38. As a local resident, how easy is it for you to help protect the global environment, for example by recycling and reducing your energy consumption? (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)



### Statistics

Average

7.5

Total Responses

26

## Comments

### ResponseID Response

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Family haven't totally bought in to this but I try. Would love to see more focus on bees in the town.

I feel my contribution to the world's woes is relatively small. Nonetheless I will do what I can. I don't have easy access to the recycling centre in Blairgowrie so all my waste has to go in my bins – apart from glass, but I think it is illogical when I see people drive into the Candlehouse Lane civic amenity site (!) to drop off half a dozen glass bottles, and I'm damned if I'm paying the Council £20 or whatever it is now to pick up a large item. I'm happy to (mostly) put the right thing in the right bin and if PKC want to extend this scheme I'm right with them. I try to throw out as little as possible – I put stuff to charity shops when I can. I buy clothes from charity shops and wear the same stuff for years, so that must be good too.

Rather than having to go to Blair or Perth to dump some rubbish would be better to develop the current facility in Coupar Angus.

I do think this is vital and wish more waste skips were nearer to us, as they used to be. Its OK to go to Blair by car but items like electric fires etc which can't go in our bins.

Re-cycling; Food miles; Encouraging people to be more active in these areas.

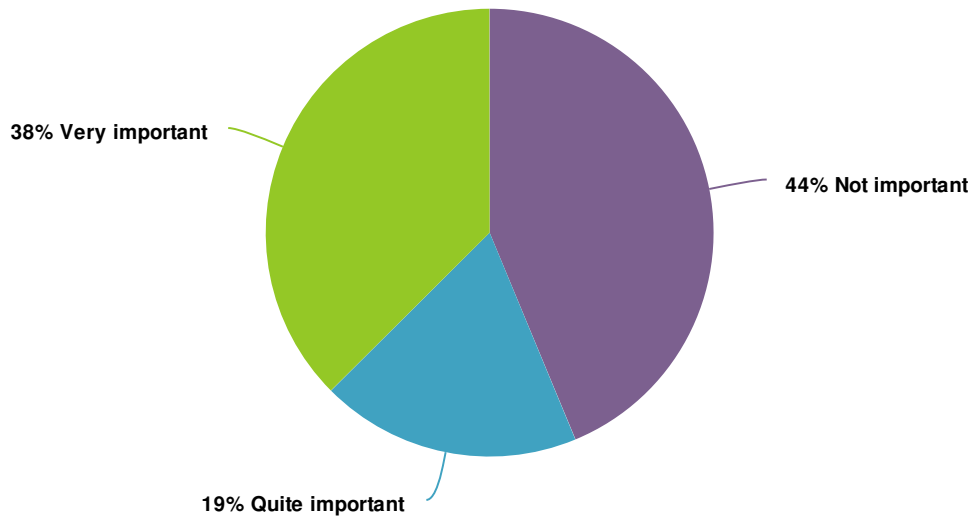
People should be encouraged more to use public transport and leave the car – I noticed the Park and Ride in Scone is not used much! Also walking, cycling and buying locally.

Litter is a problem

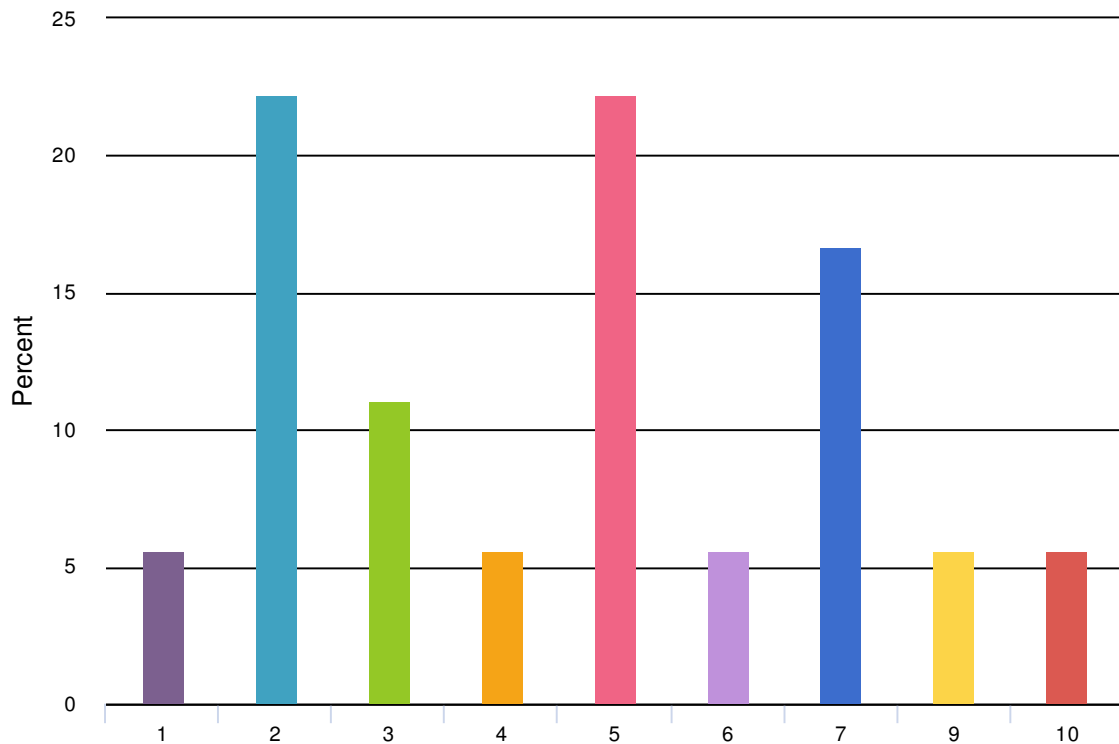
## Part C: The Economic Dimension - How well does the local community meet your economic needs, either as a consumer or a worker?

39. How important is it for you to be able to find suitable employment or run a business in your local community?





40. On a scale of 1-10, how easy is it for you to find suitable employment or run a business in your local community? 1 = Very difficult, 10 = Very easy Don't answer if you said "Not important" above



### Statistics

Average

4.7

Total Responses

18

## Comments

### ResponseID Response

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Business advice is solely lacking with ill-informed people giving out bad advice

My age does not fit in.

I put 3 for this because it is not easy to find a reliable well-paid job in Coupar Angus. If you had to work locally you could probably get employment at Balhousie Care Home or at the Chicken Factory but minimum wage prevails. I don't want to travel to work if I can avoid it but realistically the better jobs are outside Coupar Angus. I would not recommend anyone to start a business in Coupar Angus unless you are prepared to lose money in the venture. Personally I would love to have a more fulfilling job, but in my case job security is everything as I have nothing else to fall back on. I have many skills but they are not marketable and I could not risk taking on a job with a temporary contract as I can't afford to gamble.

I work locally but would struggle if I lost my job. Travel costs are expensive. I am glad to see new businesses in town and hope they thrive. What exactly do FCA do to support these businesses? Not a lot I suspect.

Need locally based support to help with this rather than having to travel to Blair or to Perth.

Not for me as I'm retired, but it is so important to have more businesses that could employ people e.g. could there be locally run cleaning services able to employ a few people, or agents employing people to do gardens?

I do not work but it is important for the youth of the town.

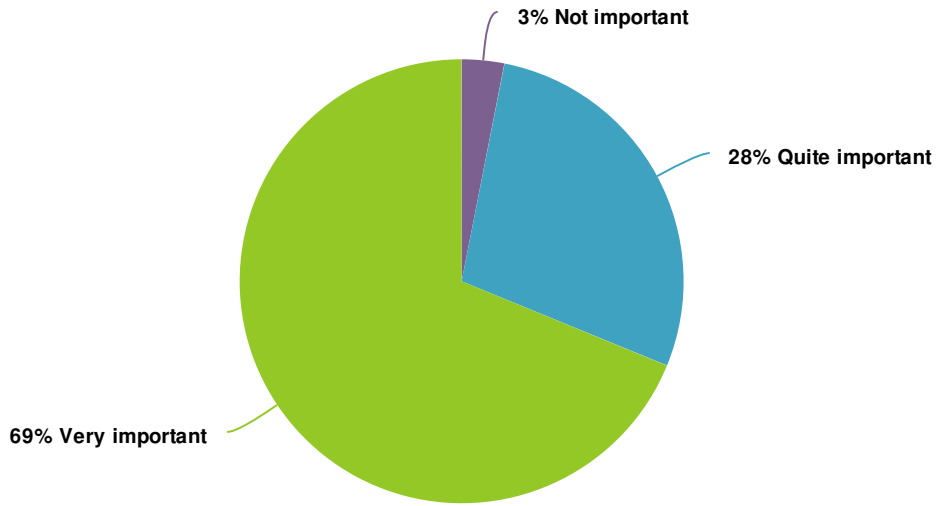
For an artist it is always relatively difficult to have a successful business

Help businesses to open and prosper in the centre of Coupar Angus.

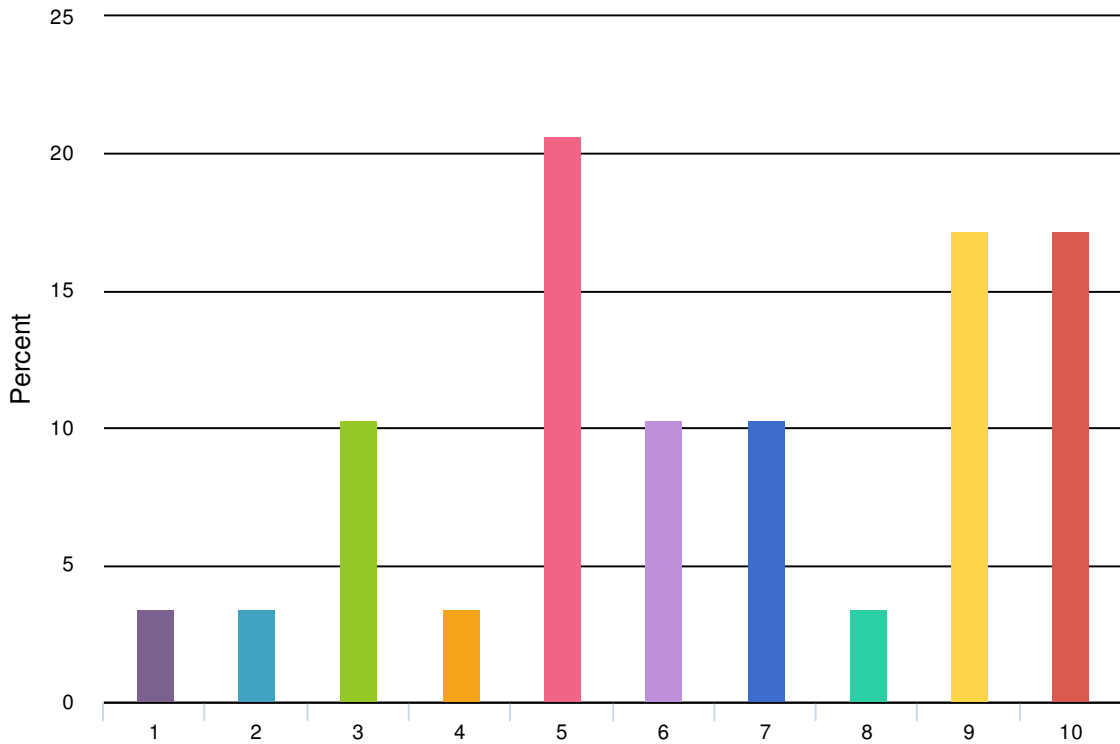
Age is against me.

More opportunities (needed) for teenagers

41. How important is it for you to have LOCAL shops, tradesmen and professional services (e.g. solicitors, accountants and banks)?



42. On a scale of 1-10, how well does your local community meet your needs for these services? 1 = Poorly, 10 = Very well (Don't answer if you said "Not important" above)



### Statistics

Average

6.5

Total Responses

29

## Comments

### ResponseID Response

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Local Bank: The TSB. My saviour. They help me immensely. They always keep a look out for my account and could not be more helpful. It is VITAL for me to have such a service locally and I appreciate it immensely. Tradesmen: It is always good to know the tradesmen personally. Nearly all the local tradesmen have a good reputation and word of mouth counts for such a lot in a small community – nowhere to hide. Local shops: sadly nowadays this is not so much of a big deal. I am employed in a local shop, but I know that most townspeople go elsewhere for their shopping. However for those without transport it is a vital resource. Few shops in CA can really make a living nowadays because of altered shopping patterns from past. We can't return to the old ways and it is unrealistic to call on "passing trade" because in reality it doesn't exist. I think modern day traders have to be realistic about this. Izzy's shop does well because it is unpretentious. And don't forget the local charity shop.

Support local!

Most services have moved away but good that we have a bank, a chemist, the Co-op and the Health Centre.

This is important but it is difficult to think of shops that could attract business locally when so many go out (of town) in cars or buses. Probably only a shop that was part of a chain, so not completely dependent locally, or a really attractive café that sold gifts etc as well where people would be drawn from outside because of its attraction.

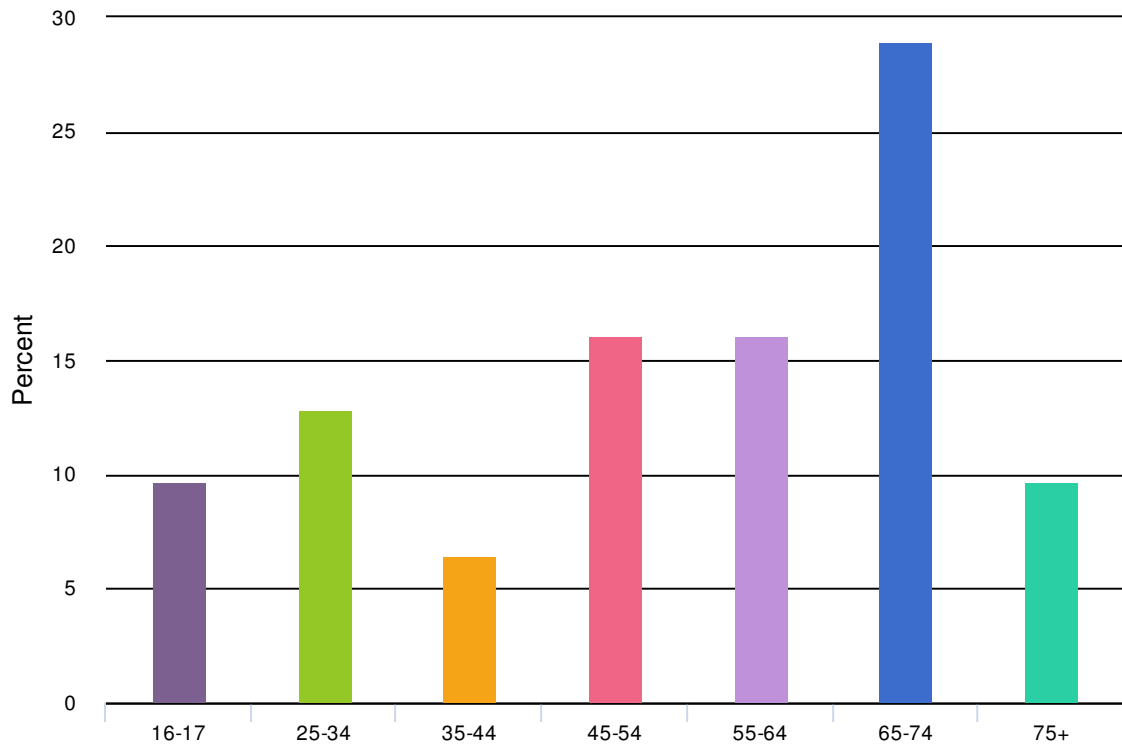
Using local people is good for the community and keeps money in the town. Gives work to people and one probably gets a better job.

Shopping as locally as possible with local produce. Avoiding exports from other continents as much as possible by eating seasonal produce.

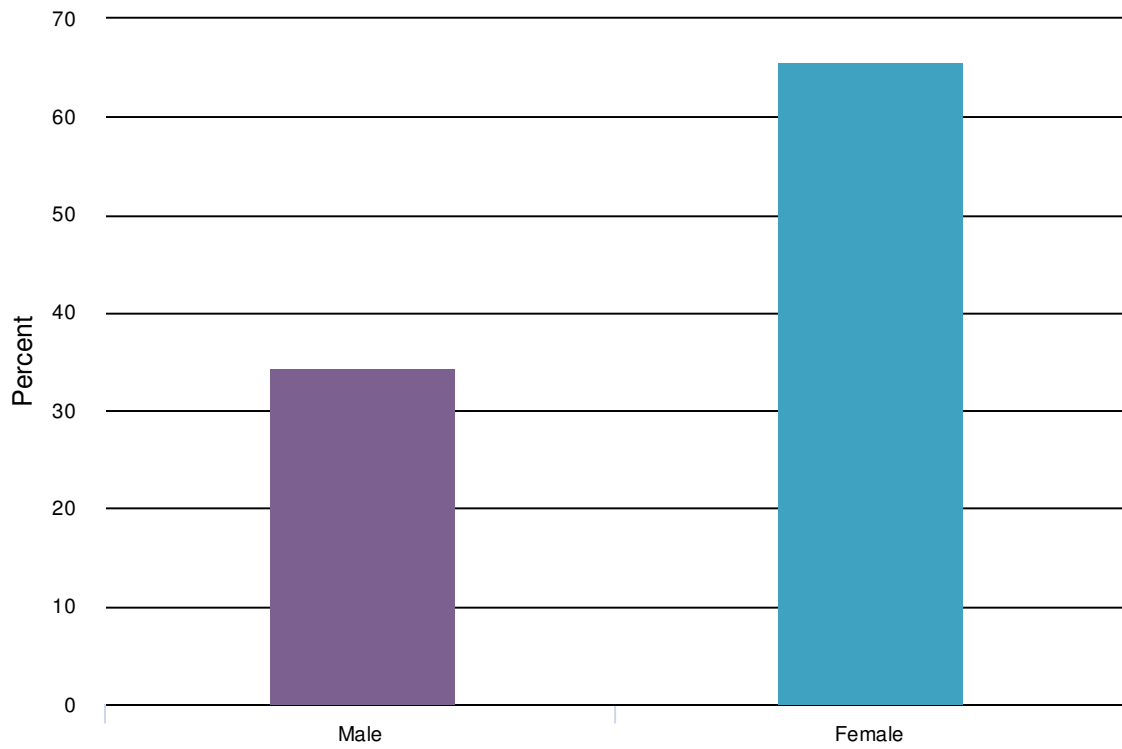
We don't have enough shops and the parking situation in the town centre is bleak

Banks should be open most of the week.

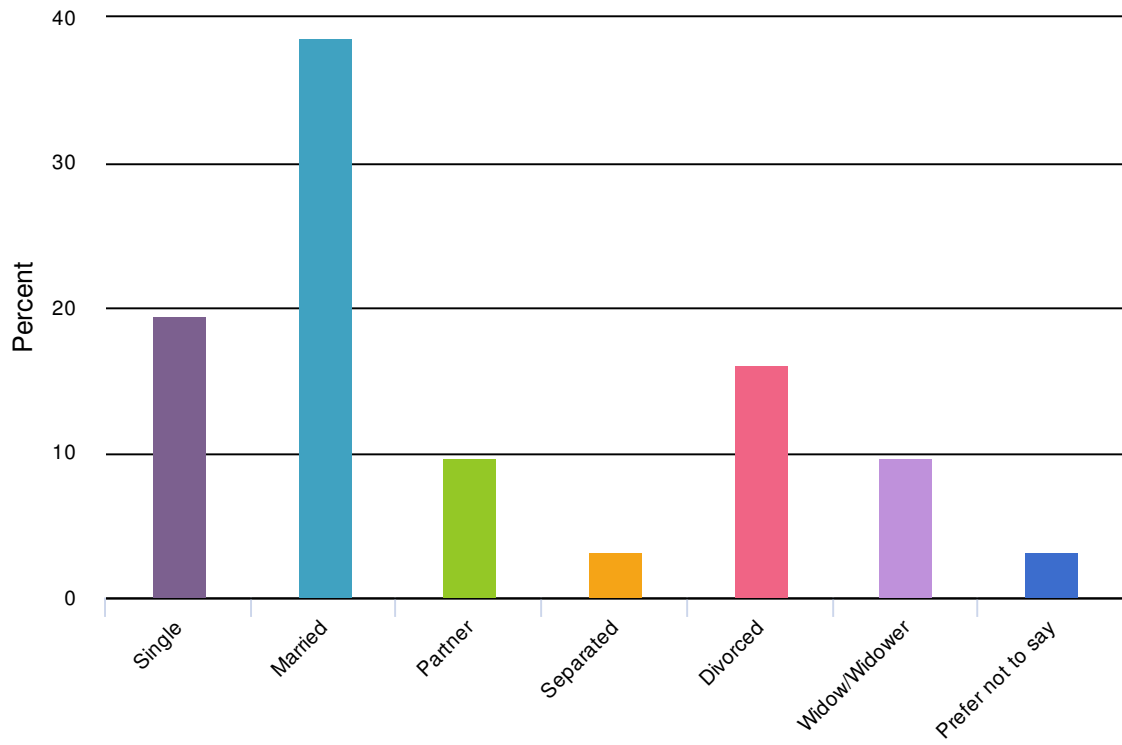
43. What is your age?



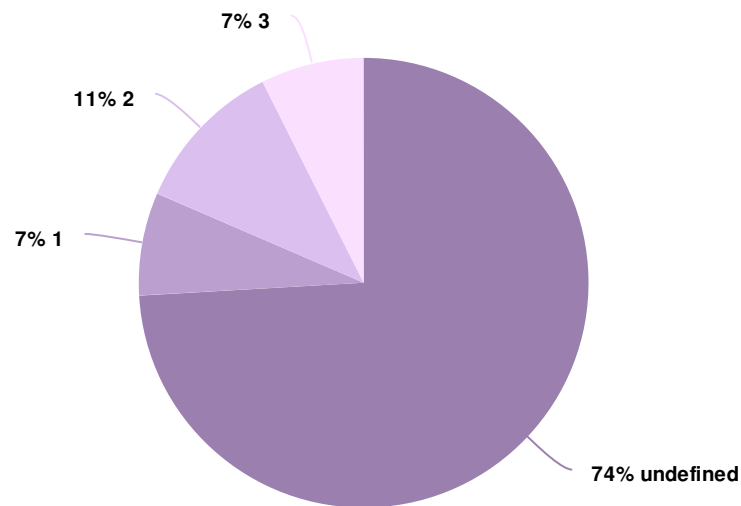
#### 44. Your sex:



#### 45. Relationship status



How many children do you have who are under 18 and living with you?



How many of your relatives live in your local community?

## Response

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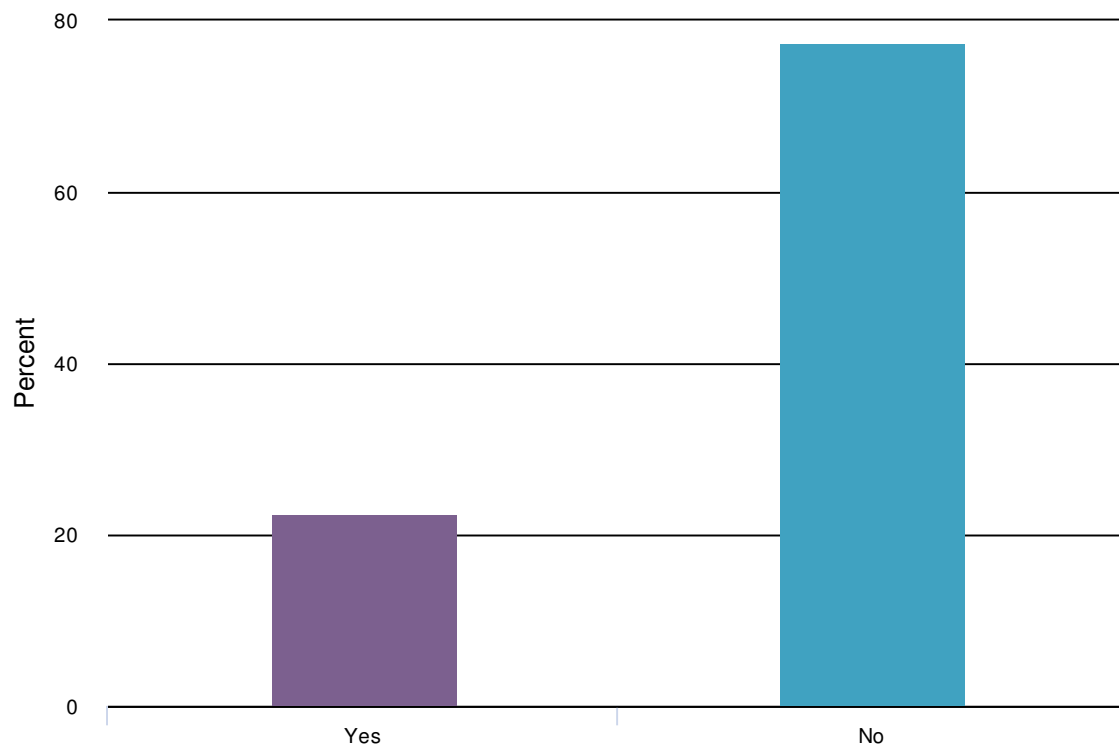
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Do you have health or mobility problems that limit your ability to take part in social, economic or environmental activity?



If you have health or mobility problems that limit your ability to take part in social, economic and environmental activity, what sort of additional facilities, amenities or support services would be helpful to you?

Is there anything else you'd like to tell us?

**ResponseID    Response**

168                      Need locally based advice centre to help with housing, unemployment, benefits etc.

171                      Coupar Angus is a welcoming place, where some people are trying to make it a better place, but place for improvement.

178                      Coupar Angus has been my home for over 40 years and I honestly can't imagine living anywhere else. We are surrounded by beautiful countryside while being within easy commuting distance of Dundee and Perth. The only thing that seriously bothers my family and I is the constant putrid smell from the chicken factory. While I appreciate they are a major employer who contributes to the local community I believe that SEPA and PKC should be doing more to work with them to address and eliminate the smell and help our town and home.

181                      One problem i would like to highlight is the excess speed some inconsiderate drivers reach,it is not suitable when most of our streets are so narrow. There is just no consideration given especially for children, sadly imo it is literally an accident waiting to happen. Another point is the near nightly noise coming from the chicken factory,our family has noticed this constant dull hum throughout the night more often.What is it? Added to this is the unacceptable smell that also frequently escapes the chicken factory,again is anything going to be done about it...it is disgusting. Both points regarding the factory effect our local environment and community negatively, these issues need to be addressed.

188                      i am 10 years old