

Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead Resident Survey – Written report

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Research context

• An overview of project background, research objectives, methodology and analysis approach

Project background

- The borough is predominantly a prosperous place, where the majority of residents are thriving and financially secure. However, there is a wide variation of need across the borough and some deprivation within neighbourhoods.
- The 2021-26 Corporate Plan sets out an overarching vision of 'Creating a sustainable borough of innovation and opportunity' and is framed around three key objectives:
 - Thriving Communities: Where families and individuals are empowered to achieve their ambitions and fulfil their potential.
 - Inspiring Places: Supporting the borough's future prosperity and sustainability.
 - A Council trusted to deliver its promises
- The plan also sets out the following priorities, which respond to evidence on the key challenges within the borough and the priorities of our residents:
 - Taking action to tackle climate change and its consequences and improving our natural environment.
 - Quality infrastructure that connects neighbourhoods and businesses and allows them to prosper
 - A ladder of housing opportunity, to support better life chances for all, recognising the challenges faced by many residents due to the lack of affordable housing in the borough.

Research context

Research objectives

- The Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead commissioned Lake Market Research to support with the design, management and analysis of a large scale survey amongst residents of the Borough.
- The survey is intended to act as a baseline for key goals outlined in the Corporate Plan and also provide a wealth of wider data on the views and experiences of a representative demographic profile of residents.
- The survey was designed to focus on three key areas in line with the key goals identified in the Corporate Plan, namely:
 - The Council providing an understanding of residents' views and experiences of the council, including any disparities in experience by demographic sub-group.
 - The Local Community focused on residents' perceptions of their local communities, including community networks, cohesion, safety and enjoyment of their local area.
 - Individual Welfare and Wellbeing providing insight into the wellbeing of our residents, including measuring financial and housing security, in order to inform the approach to cost of living and inequalities strategies within the borough.

Methodology

Survey with residents of the Borough:

- 1,740 interviews in total
 - 1,626 by telephone
 - 114 face to face in street
- Sampling error of +/-2% at a confidence level of 95%
- Fieldwork took place in July and August 2022
- Residents randomly selected to take part by Lake Market Research
- Quotas set to achieve a profile representative of the Borough

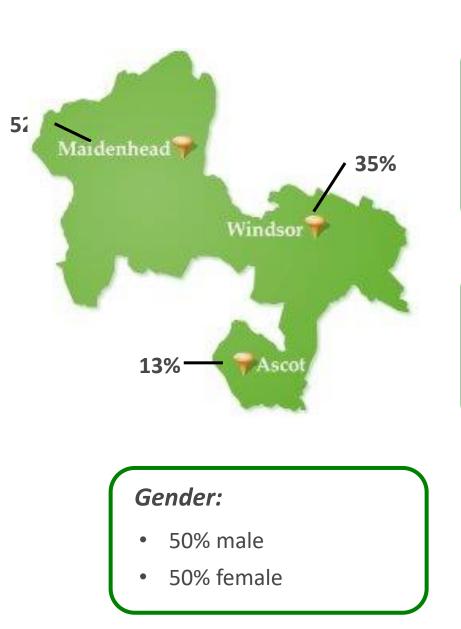
Dataset weighted by population statistics supplied by Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead:

- Age
- Gender
- Area (Ascot and the South, Maidenhead and Windsor)
- Ethnicity
- Working status
- Home ownership

Comparisons made to 2018 Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead resident survey and LGA national polling where applicable

Research context

The profile of residents taking part reflects that of the Borough



Age:

- 22% aged 18-34
- 39% aged 35-54
- 27% aged 55-74
- 12% aged 75 & over

Working status:

- 64% working
- 9% not working
- 26% retired

Activities limited due to health condition or illness:

- 15% yes
- 84% no

Home ownership:

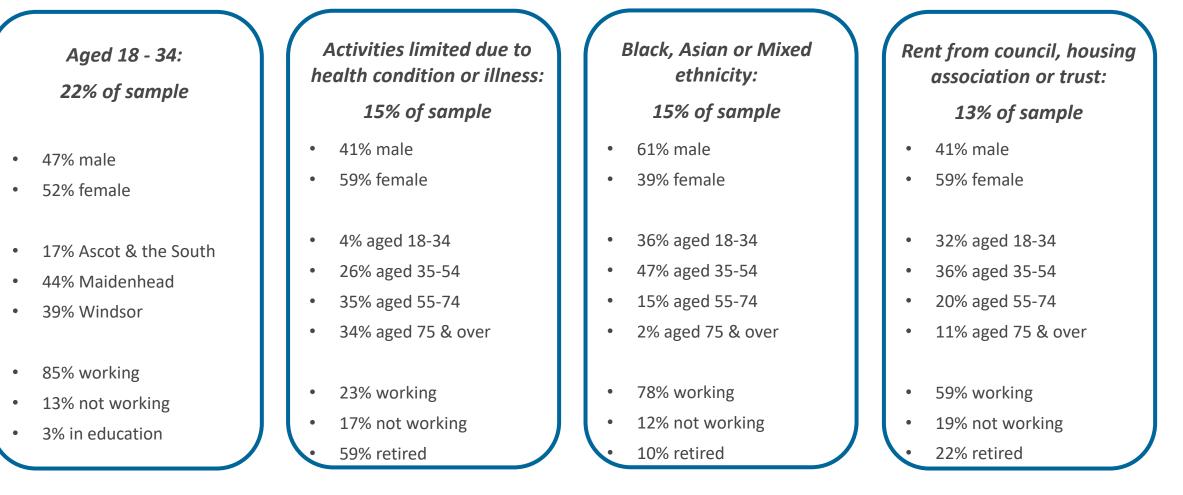
- 68% home owner / buying with mortgage
- 13% rent from council, housing association or trust
- 16% rent from private landlord

Ethnicity:

- 72% White
- 11% White Other
- 3% Black / Black British
- 10% Asian / Asian British
- 2% Mixed

Analysis reveals specific characteristic groups who are experiencing difficulty and whose contrasting opinions need to be considered in future strategy...

... it should be considered that the demographic makeup of these groups span gender, age, area and working status profiles.



Notes on the report

Statistical significance:

Our sample is subject to a sampling error of +/-2% at a confidence level of 95%.

- To give an example, a finding of 50% on a base size of 1,740 interviews has a sampling error of +/-2% at the 95% confidence level. That is to say that if they survey returns a finding of 50% for a particular question there is a 95% probability that the 'true' figure (amongst all residents and not just those interviewed) will lie between +/-2% of that findings.
- When looking at subgroups within a sample, this sampling error increases. For example, when looking at male residents (base size 841), the sampling error increases to +/-3.5%.

Valid data:

In some instances, in order to comply with Local Government Association guidelines, residents who answered 'don't know' are excluded from the sample base. These proportions are however in the minority.

Rounding:

Results have been presented rounded to 0 decimal places and so some totals may not be equal to 100% and some nets may not equal the sum of individual components.

Demographic differences:

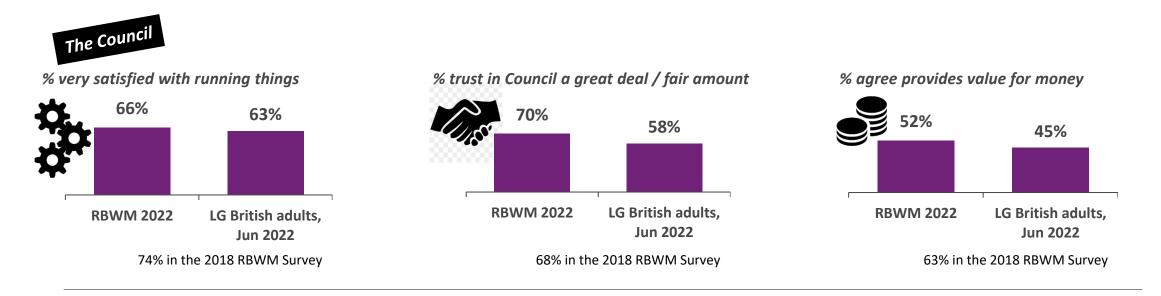
Responses have been separated into different mutually exclusive sub-groups and the data has been compared to see whether there are any significant differences. Any differences have been highlighted in green or red.



Executive summary

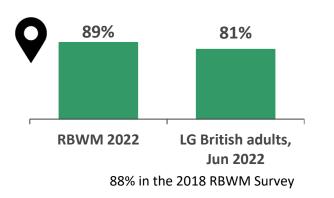
• Key statistics and conclusions against the three areas identified

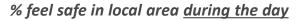
Council metrics remain higher than national averages

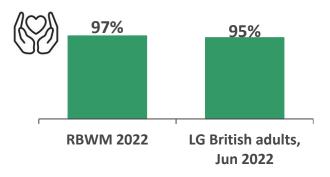


Local area

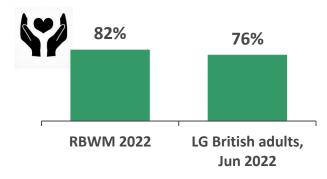
% satisfied with local area as place to live







% feel safe in local area after dark



Base: LG Inform National Quarterly polling June 2022, n=1,000; Base: Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead Resident Survey 2018, n=1,652

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Council perceptions

Views on the council:

Two thirds are satisfied with the way the council runs things; one in five are dissatisfied. The degree to which residents trust the council is high at seven in ten.

Demographic variability with perceptions comparably lower amongst Maidenhead residents, female residents, residents aged 35-54 as well as specific characteristic groups (not working, limited due to health condition).

Value for money perceptions are comparably lower at just over half agreeing the council provides value for money.

• Demographic variability with perceptions comparably lower amongst Maidenhead residents, female residents, residents aged 35-54 as well as specific characteristic groups (not working, limited due to health condition).

Over eight in ten agree dealing with climate change should be a key priority for the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead in its decision making.

Preferences for seeking information:

A variety of contact methods are seen as important in finding out information about council services / local issues. An email newsletter, printed information and the council website dominate the top three preferences with broadly equal proportions selecting them.

- Demographic variability with a higher proportion of residents aged 55
 & over ranking printed information, speaking to council staff and local news sources in their top three.
- A higher proportion of residents aged 18-54 have a preference for online methods including council website and social media platforms (council and non-council).
- A higher proportion of specific characteristic groups (limited due to health condition, residents finding it difficult financially) have a preference for printed information.

Just under three quarters already use, or would be open to using, the council's online services for transactional services.

 A lower proportion of residents aged 75 & over and specific characteristic groups (non-working, limited due to health condition and renting from council, housing association and trust) indicated they would/already use them.

Local area perceptions

Local area satisfaction:

The majority are satisfied with their local area as a place to live. The quality of, and access to, the Borough's green and open spaces were highlighted as significant contributing factors. Statistics on the frequency of visiting green spaces supported the importance of these areas.

 Demographic variability with satisfaction comparably lower amongst Maidenhead residents, female residents, residents aged 75 & over as well as specific characteristic groups (limited due to health condition, rent from council, housing association or trust).

Road maintenance is highlighted as a key area of concern when residents were asked to openly comment on the three things they would like to improve in their local area. This is followed by rubbish / refuse collection facilities, town centres / local high streets / shopping facilities, parking and congestion.

Safety perceptions:

The vast majority feel safe in their local area during the day. Whilst over four in five indicate they feel safe in their local area after dark, just over a third feel very safe.

- Demographic variability with the proportion feeling very safe after dark comparably lower amongst Windsor residents, female residents, residents aged 75 & over as well as specific characteristic groups (non-working, limited due to health condition and rent from council, housing association or trust).
- Perceptions of female safety after dark are comparably lower amongst all age and home ownership groups.

Cohesion:

Just under three quarters agree people in their local area pull together to improve it. Helping neighbours / friends forms the majority of community engagement currently. The majority agree there are opportunities to get involved locally.

• Demographic variability with comparably lower proportions of residents aged 18-34 and, 75 & over, currently engaging. Although inclination to engage is higher amongst residents aged 18-34.

Individual welfare and wellbeing

Financial circumstances:

Over two thirds claim their household is living comfortably financially or doing all right. Just under a third are just about getting by or finding it difficult.

Demographic variability with a higher proportion of residents aged 18-34 and specific characteristic groups (not working, limited due to health condition, Black / Asian / Mixed ethnicity and renting socially or privately) just about getting by or finding it difficult.

When asked openly, cost of living dominates as the primary concern for residents' households in the next 1-3 years, with over half referring to this as one of their biggest concerns. This is followed by healthcare / GP access and environment / climate change concerns.

 Cost of living concerns dominate across demographic groups but is particularly high amongst residents aged 18-54 and specific characteristic groups (Black / Asian / Mixed ethnicity, residents finding it difficult financially, residents renting privately).

Health and wellbeing:

The majority consider their health to be at least very good in general. Just under three quarters claim they never or hardly ever feel lonely.

- Demographic variability with a lower proportion of female residents, residents aged 75 & over and specific characteristic groups (non-working, limited due to health condition, renting from council, housing association or trust) considering themselves in good health.
- Patterns are broadly consistent from the perspective of loneliness with a higher proportion of the forementioned demographic groups indicating they feel lonely at least occasionally. It is important to note, however, that this statistic also holds true for residents aged 18-34.

The majority indicated a high level of satisfaction with their life nowadays and low levels of anxiety for the future.

 Demographic variability with a higher proportion of specific characteristic groups rating overall life satisfaction as 0-6 out of 10 (non-working, limited due to health condition, finding it difficult financially and renting from council, housing association or trust).



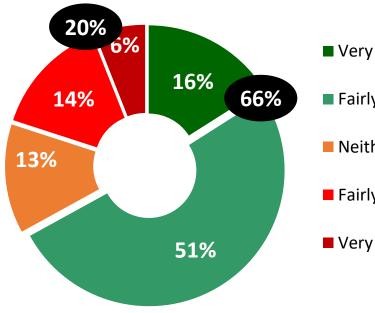
Key findings - Council perceptions

• Providing an understanding of residents' views and experiences of the council, including any disparities in experience by demographic sub-group.

perceptions Council

Satisfaction with way Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead runs things

- Two thirds (66%) are satisfied with the way the council runs things; 16% are very satisfied.
- There is variability in perceptions with satisfaction comparably • lower amongst residents living in Maidenhead, female residents, residents aged 35-54, non-working residents and residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition.



Very satisfied

- Fairly satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

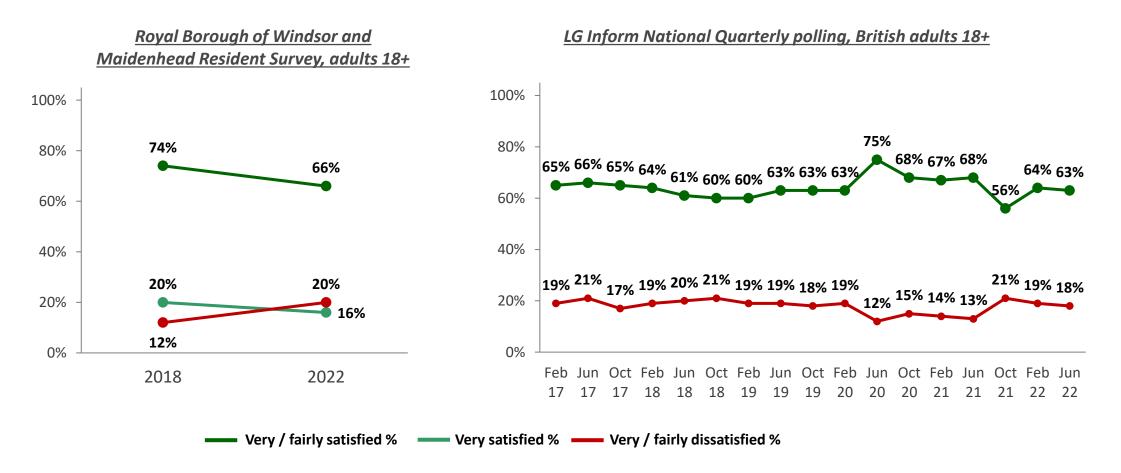
- Fairly dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

		Net % Satisfied
	Live in Ascot and the South	73%
	Live in Maidenhead	62%
IS,	Live in Windsor	69%
	Male	68%
	Female	63%
	Aged 18-34	75%
	Aged 35-54	59%
	Aged 55-74	64%
	Aged 75 & over	74%
	Working	67%
. 1	Not working (excl retired)	56%
ed	Retired	67%
	Activities limited due to condition	59%
Significantly higher	Ethnicity – White	65%
% than other subgroups at 95%	Ethnicity – Black / Asian / Mixed	69%
confidence level	Own property outright	64%
Significantly lower % than other subgroups at 95%	Buying property with mortgage	63%
	Rent from council, HA or Trust	65%
confidence level	Rent from private landlord	75%

Base: Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way Royal Borough of (1,740) Windsor and Maidenhead runs things? Excluding don't know

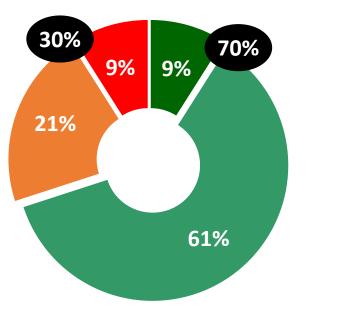
Satisfaction with **way Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead runs things** – time series data & benchmarks

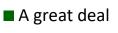
- Satisfaction is marginally higher than the national average recorded in the quarterly national polling conducted by the LGA.
- Satisfaction has reduced significantly from the resident survey conducted in 2018.



Extent residents trust Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead

- Seven in ten (70%) indicated they trust the council; only 9% trust • the council a great deal and 9% do not trust the council at all.
- There is variability in perceptions with trust comparably lower ٠ amongst residents living in Maidenhead, residents aged 35-74, non-working residents and residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition.





- A fair amount
- Not very much

Not at all

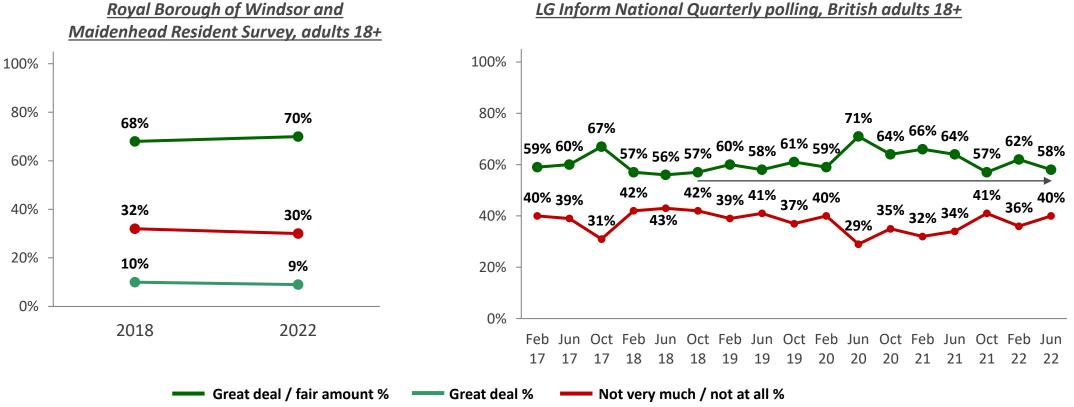
rust		Net % Great Deal / Fair Amount
	Live in Ascot and the South	79%
r	Live in Maidenhead	64%
4,	Live in Windsor	75%
ted	Male	70%
	Female	69%
	Aged 18-34	86%
	Aged 35-54	63%
	Aged 55-74	65%
	Aged 75 & over	71%
	Working	72%
	Not working (excl retired)	62%
	Retired	68%
Significantly higher	Activities limited due to condition	58%
% than other subgroups at 95%	Ethnicity – White	68%
confidence level	Ethnicity – Black / Asian / Mixed	78%
Significantly lower	Own property outright	47%
% than other	Buying property with mortgage	48%
subgroups at 95% confidence level	Rent from council, HA or Trust	44%
	Rent from private landlord	61%

Base: (1,648)

How much do you trust Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead? Excluding Don't know

Extent residents trust Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead – time series data & benchmarks

- Despite a reduction in overall satisfaction levels, the degree of trust in the council has increased marginally compared to the resident survey conducted in 2018.
- Satisfaction remains higher than the national average recorded in the quarterly national polling conducted by the LGA.



LG Inform National Quarterly polling, British adults 18+

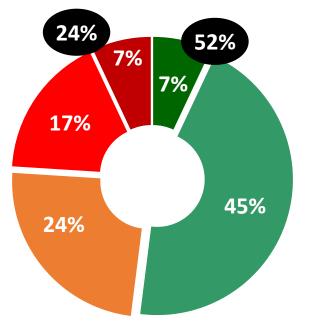
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Base: Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead Resident Survey, n=1,648; Base: LG Inform National Quarterly polling, 1,000 per wave

Perceptions of Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead **providing value for money**

- Just over half (52%) agree the council provides value for money; only 7% strongly agree and 24% disagree.
- Variability in perceptions with agreement comparably lower amongst ٠ residents living in Maidenhead, female residents, residents aged 35-54, non-working residents and residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition.

Perceptions of value for money



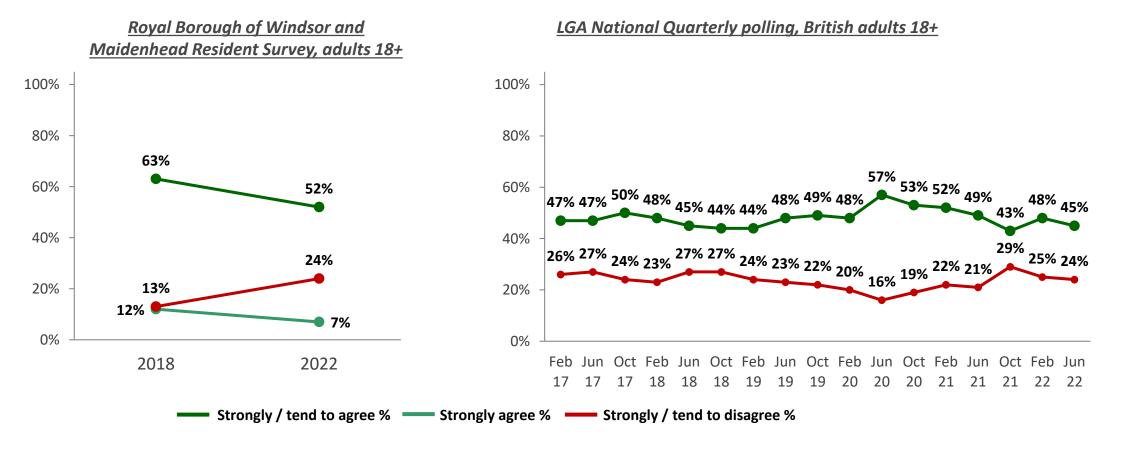
- Strongly agree
- Tend to agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Tend to disagree
- Strongly disagree

		Net % Agree
only 7%	Live in Ascot and the South	57%
	Live in Maidenhead	49%
ngst	Live in Windsor	54%
35-54 <i>,</i> due to a	Male	55%
	Female	49%
	Aged 18-34	68%
	Aged 35-54	43%
	Aged 55-74	50%
	Aged 75 & over	58%
	Working	53%
	Not working (excl retired)	38%
	Retired	54%
	Activities limited due to condition	43%
ignificantly higher	Ethnicity – White	51%
% than other subgroups at 95%	Ethnicity – Black / Asian / Mixed	56%
confidence level	Own property outright	47%
Significantly lower	Buying property with mortgage	48%
% than other subgroups at 95%	Rent from council, HA or Trust	44%
confidence level	Rent from private landlord	61%

To what extent do you agree or disagree that Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead provides value for money? Excluding Don't know

Perceptions of Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead **providing value for money** – time series data & benchmarks

- Satisfaction remains marginally higher than the national average recorded in the quarterly national polling conducted by the LGA.
- Consistent with overall satisfaction trends, value for money perceptions have reduced significantly from the resident survey conducted in 2018.

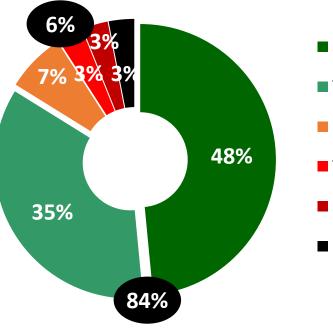


To what extent do you agree or disagree that Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead District Council provides value for money? Base: Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead Resident Survey, n=1,634; Base: LG Inform National Quarterly polling, 1,000 per wave

Base:

Extent to which **dealing with climate change should be key priority** for decision making

- The vast majority (84%) agree that dealing with climate change should be a key priority for Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead; 48% strongly agree.
- Overall agreement is higher amongst residents aged 18-34, residents of Black / Asian / Mixed ethnicity and residents who are buying their property with a mortgage.



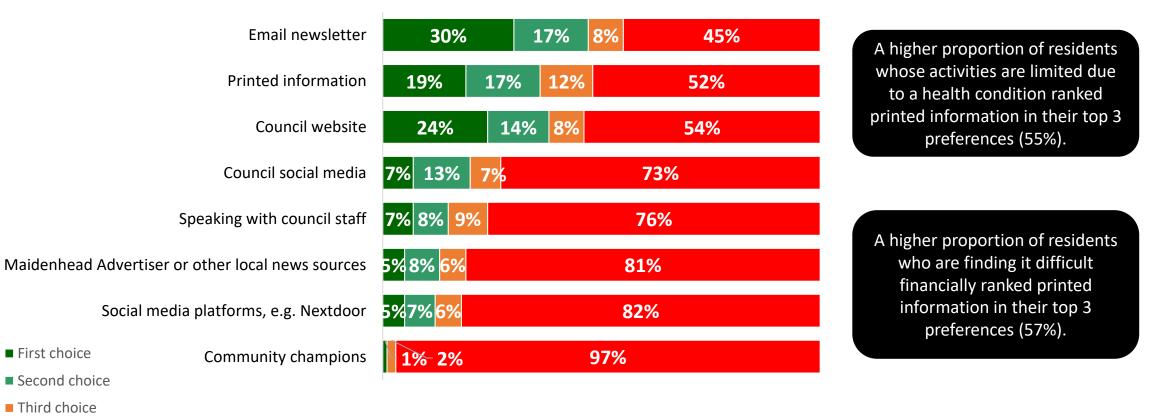
- Strongly agree
- Tend to agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Tend to disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

		Net % Agree
e should be a	Live in Ascot and the South	82%
% strongly	Live in Maidenhead	83%
idents of	Live in Windsor	85%
leir property	Male	81%
	Female	86%
	Aged 18-34	90%
	Aged 35-54	81%
	Aged 55-74	82%
	Aged 75 & over	83%
	Working	85%
	Not working (excl retired)	78%
	Retired	83%
	Activities limited due to condition	74%
Significantly higher	Ethnicity – White	83%
% than other subgroups at 95%	Ethnicity – Black / Asian / Mixed	89%
confidence level	Own property outright	83%
Significantly lower	Buying property with mortgage	88%
% than other subgroups at 95%	Rent from council, HA or Trust	75%
confidence level	Rent from private landlord	82%

To what extent do you agree or disagree that dealing with climate change should be a (1,740)key priority for The Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead in its decision making?

Preferences for seeking information about Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead

- Of the information sources posed to residents, an email newsletter, printed information and the council website are the top three preferences for finding out about council services or local issues.
- A higher proportion of residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition, and residents finding it difficult financially, ranked printed information in their three preferences.



Not chosen in top three choices

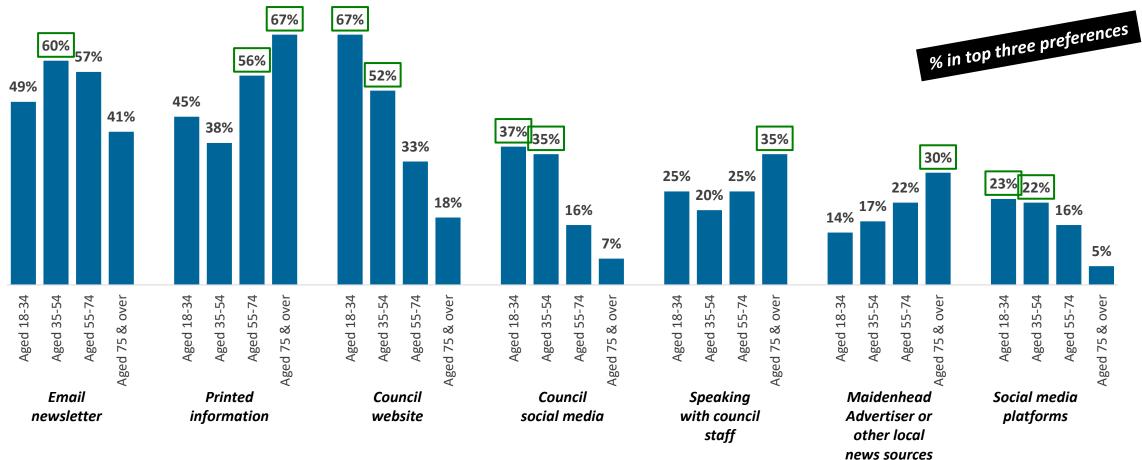
perceptions

Council

Base:

Contrasting preferences for seeking information about Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead – by age

- Stark contrasts in preferences by age with a higher proportion of residents aged 55 & over ranking printed information and a higher proportion of residents aged 75 & over ranking speaking to council staff and local news sources in their top three.
- A higher proportion of residents aged 18-54 would prefer using the council website and social media (council and non-council).



(1,740) How would you prefer to find out about council services or local issues? Please tell us your top 3 preferences in order from the following.

Base:

Use of council's online services for transactional services

- Just under three quarters (71%) indicated they would or already use the council's online services for transactional services. 17% indicated they would not.
- Whilst claimed/intended usage is lower amongst older age groups (as perhaps expected), it is also lower amongst female residents, non-working residents, residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition and residents renting from the council, housing association or trust.

6% 6% 17% 58% 13% 71%

- Yes, I already use the council's online services for transactional services
- Yes, I would use the council's online services for transactional services
- No 🛛
- Don't know
- I don't use the internet / online services

Significantly **higher** % than other subgroups at 95% confidence level Significantly **lower** % than other

subgroups at 95% confidence level

Net % Yes Live in Ascot and the South 74% Live in Maidenhead 70% Live in Windsor 71% Male 74% Female 68% Aged 18-34 75% Aged 35-54 81% Aged 55-74 69% Aged 75 & over 37% Working 79% Not working (excl retired) 63% Retired 53% Activities limited due to condition 53% Ethnicity – White 70% Ethnicity – Black / Asian / Mixed 77% **Own property outright** 65% **Buying property with mortgage** 81% Rent from council, HA or Trust 60% **Rent from private landlord** 76%

(1,740) Would you use the council's online services for transactional services? For example to pay council tax?

Factors that prevent usage of council online services (amongst those not using)

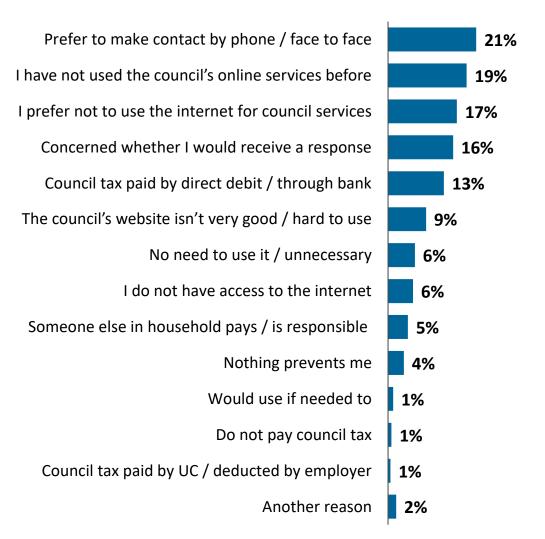
- Residents who indicated they do not currently use council online services for transactional services were asked to explain their reasons.
- A variety of barriers were referenced but a preference for alternative means of contact, not using the council's online services before, and concern whether a response would be received online, rank highest.
- Barriers differ significantly by demographic.

Demographic trends

A higher proportion of residents aged 18-34 indicated concern whether they would receive a response prevented them (40%) and the website isn't very good / hard to use (19%).

A higher proportion of residents aged 75 & over indicated internet access prevented them (26%).

A higher proportion of residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition indicated they prefer not to use the internet for council services (31%). Can you briefly describe what prevents you from using council online services more than you do currently?





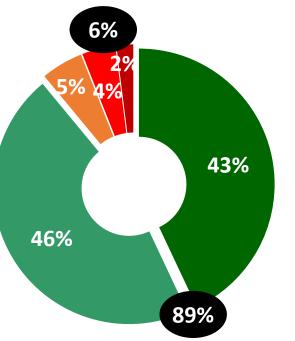
Key findings - Local Area Perceptions

• Focused on residents' perceptions of their local communities, including community networks, cohesion, safety and enjoyment of their local area.

Base:

Satisfaction with **local area as a place to live**

- The majority (89%) are satisfied with their local area as a place to live; 43% are very satisfied.
- Satisfaction is high across demographics but notably comparably ٠ lower amongst residents living in Maidenhead, female residents, residents aged 75 & over, residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition and residents renting from the council, housing association or trust.



- Very satisfied
- Fairly satisfied
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied

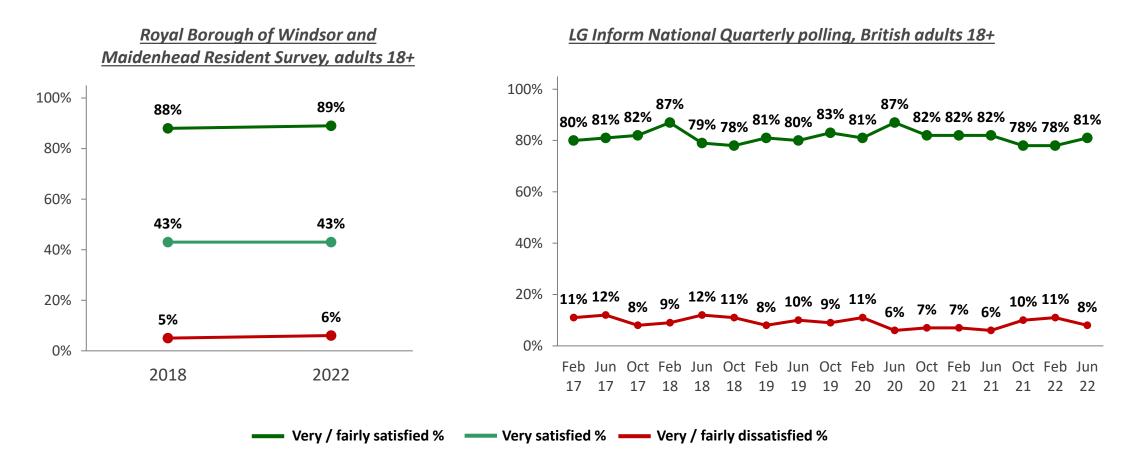
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subgroups at 95% confidence level	Buying property with mortgage	91%
Significantly lower % than other	Rent from council, housing association or trust	84%
subgroups at 95% confidence level	Rent from private landlord	91%

(1,740)Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your local area as a place to live?

Satisfaction with local area as a place to live – time series data & benchmarks

- Satisfaction levels remain broadly consistent with the resident survey conducted in 2018.
- Satisfaction remains higher than the national average recorded in the quarterly national polling conducted by the LGA.



Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied are you with your local area as a place to live? Base: Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead Resident Survey, n=1,740; Base: LG Inform National Quarterly polling, 1,000 per wave

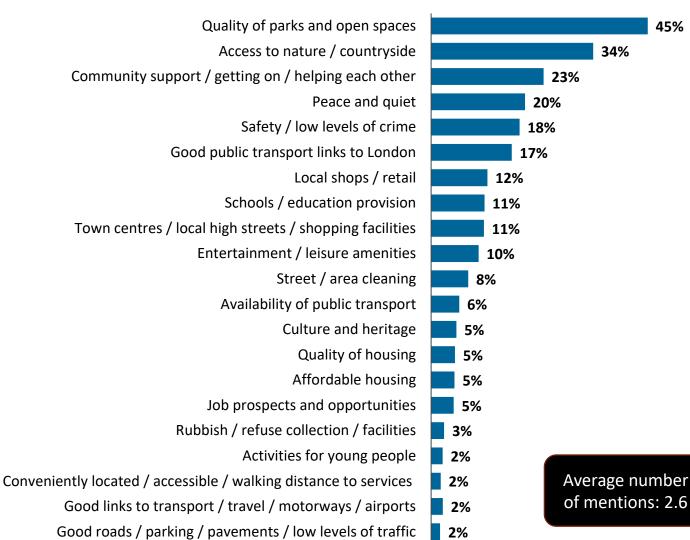
What constitutes a **good place to live**?

- Residents were asked to tell the interviewers • up to three things that make their local area a good place to live.
 - Green and open spaces are a key priority to residents and dominant factors that make their local area a good place to live
 - 45% referenced the quality of parks and open ٠ spaces
 - 34% referenced access to nature / the ٠ countryside
 - 20% referenced peace and quiet ٠
- Community cohesion and support also plays a . role with 23% referencing it making their local area a good place to live and 18% referencing safety / low levels of crime as an influence.

Demographic trends

Quality of parks & open spaces (38%), peace and quiet (31%) and community support / getting on / helping each other (26%) are the primary contributors for residents aged 75 & over.

Please tell me up to three things that you make your local area a good place to live?



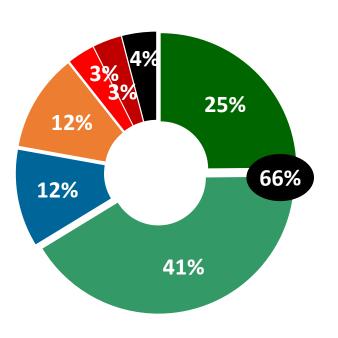
Base: all answering and selecting up to 3 responses (1,740)

45%

Base:

Frequency of visiting Borough's green spaces

- Consistent with factors that make the local area a good place to live, the Borough's green spaces are well used with two thirds claiming they visit at least once a week (25% visit every day).
- Stark contrasts in usage by age with a higher proportion of residents aged 35-74 visiting frequently. A lower proportion of residents of Black / Asian / Mixed ethnicity and residents who rent visit at least once a week.



Every day

- At least once a week
- At least twice a month
- At least once a month
- At least once every three months
- Less often
- Do not visit any of the Borough's green spaces

Significantly **higher** % than other subgroups at 95% confidence level

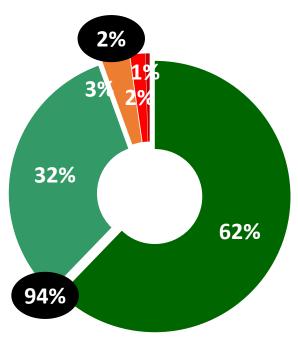
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Own property outright	68%
Buying property with mortgage	75%
Rent from council, HA or Trust	54%
Rent from private landlord	53%

(1,740) How often do you visit any of the Borough's green spaces?

Ease of accessing quality green spaces in the Borough (all who visit)

- The vast majority (94%) consider it easy to access quality green spaces in the Borough; 62% find it very easy.
- Whilst proportions indicating they find it easy is high across all demographic groups, there are significant differences observed in the proportion indicating it is very easy. Lower perceptions of ease are observed amongst residents living in Ascot and the South, residents aged 18-34, residents limited due to a health condition and residents of Black / Asian / Mixed ethnicity and residents renting.



- Very easy
- Quite easy
- Neither easy nor difficult

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- Quite difficult
- Very difficult

		% very easy
	Live in Ascot and the South	52%
ic	Live in Maidenhead	65%
	Live in Windsor	62%
	Male	64%
	Female	61%
	Aged 18-34	45%
	Aged 35-54	72%
	Aged 55-74	67%
	Aged 75 & over	51%
	Working	64%
	Not working (excl retired)	57%
	Retired	60%
	Activities limited due to condition	53%
ner	Ethnicity – White	65%
5%	Ethnicity – Black / Asian / Mixed	50%
evel	Own property outright	66%
ower er 95%	Buying property with mortgage	71%
	Rent from council, HA or Trust	51%
el	Rent from private landlord	43%

Base:

(1,672) How easy do you find it to access quality green spaces in the Borough?

Reasons residents have found quality green spaces difficult to access (all those who have experienced difficulty)

- Residents who indicated they have found it difficult to access the Borough's green spaces were asked to detail their reasons.
- Whilst the number of residents answering this question is low, the main reasons cited are mobility, a lack of car parking facilities and being able to visit without a car.



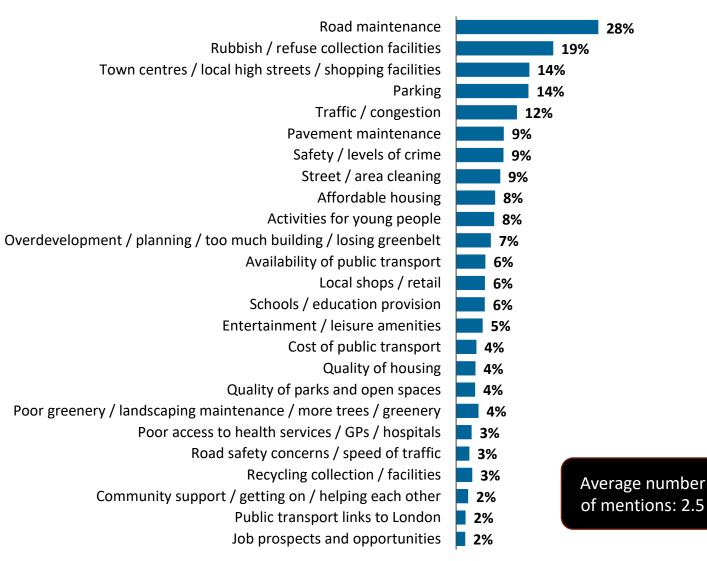
Can you briefly describe why you find it difficult to access quality green spaces in the Borough?

Primary improvements needed in local area

- Residents were asked to tell the interviewers <u>up to three things</u> that most need improving in their local area.
- A number of improvements are cited and residents reference 2.5 on average.
- Road maintenance and rubbish / refuse collection / facilities dominate at 29% and 19% respectively.
- Improvements to town centres / high streets / shopping facilities, parking and congestion are also popular

Demographic trends

Affordable housing (22%) and activities for young people (20%) are the primary concerns for residents aged 18-34.

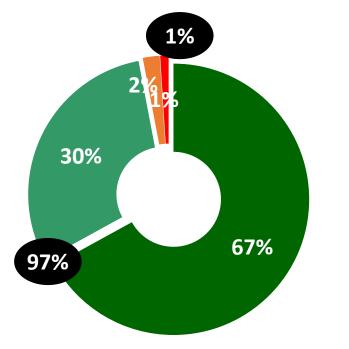


What three things most need improving in your local area?

Base:

Perception of safety in local area during the day

- Just over two thirds feel very safe (67%) outside in their local area during • the day; only 1% feel unsafe.
- Perceptions of safety are broadly consistent across demographics but ٠ comparably lower amongst female residents, residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition and residents who own their property outright or rent from the council, housing association or trust.



- Very safe
- Fairly safe
- Neither safe nor unsafe

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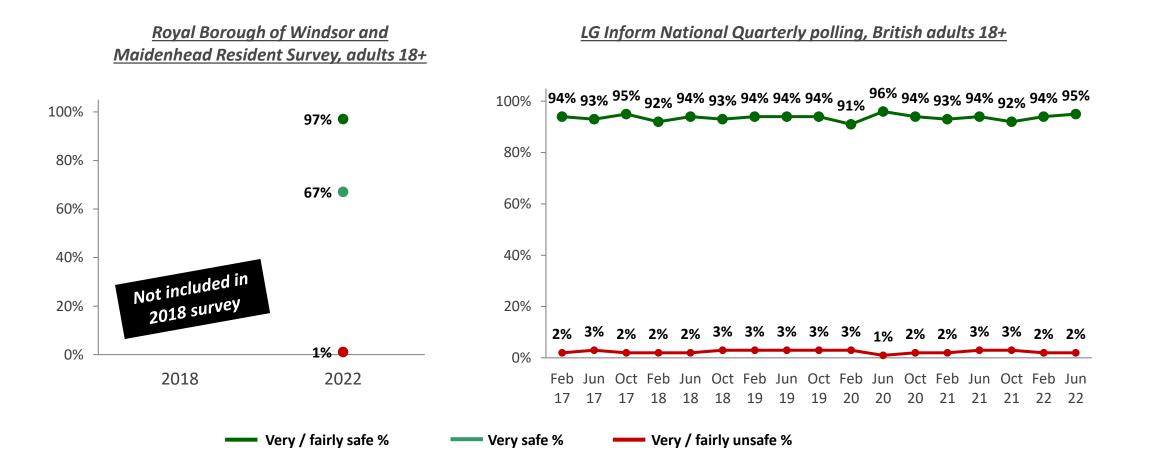
- Fairly unsafe
- Very unsafe

ea during		Net % Very Safe
	Live in Ascot and the South	62%
s but	Live in Maidenhead	69%
ctivities	Live in Windsor	66%
ir	Male	70%
r trust.	Female	64%
	Aged 18-34	67%
	Aged 35-54	68%
	Aged 55-74	67%
	Aged 75 & over	61%
	Working	69%
	Not working (excl retired)	63%
	Retired	63%
	Activities limited due to condition	55%
ificantly higher	Ethnicity – White	68%
% than other groups at 95%	Ethnicity – Black / Asian / Mixed	62%
onfidence level	Own property outright	74%
nificantly lower	Buying property with mortgage	84%
6 than other groups at 95%	Rent from council, HA or Trust	70%
nfidence level	Rent from private landlord	86%

How safe or unsafe do you feel when outside in your local area during the day? (1,734)Excluding Don't know

Perception of safety in local area during the day – time series data & benchmarks

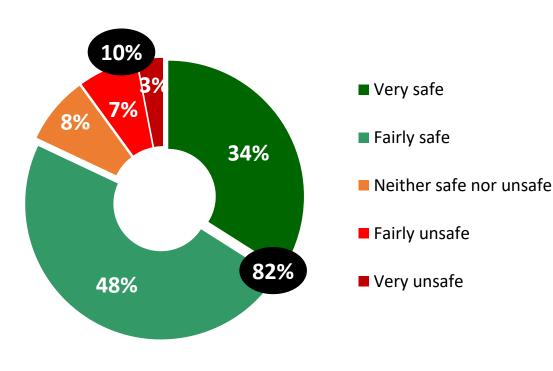
• Feelings of safety are marginally higher than the national average recorded in the quarterly national polling conducted by the LGA.



Base: Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead Resident Survey, n=1,734; Base: LG Inform National Quarterly polling, 1,000 per wave

Perception of safety in local area after dark

- The majority feel safe (82%) outside in their local area after dark; 34% feel very safe and 10% feel unsafe.
- Perceptions of safety are high across demographics but comparably lower amongst residents living in Windsor, female residents, residents aged 75 & over, residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition and residents who own their property outright or rent from the council, housing association or trust.



	Net % Safe
Live in Ascot and the South	81%
Live in Maidenhead	85%
Live in Windsor	78%
Male	89%
Female	75%
Aged 18-34	89%
Aged 35-54	81%
Aged 55-74	80%
Aged 75 & over	75%
Working	85%
Not working (excl retired)	75%
Retired	77%
Activities limited due to condition	66%
Ethnicity – White	81%
Ethnicity – Black / Asian / Mixed	89%
Own property outright	74%
Buying property with mortgage	84%
Rent from council, HA or Trust	70%
Rent from private landlord	86%

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subgroups at 95%

confidence level

Significantly **lowe** % than other subgroups at 95% confidence level

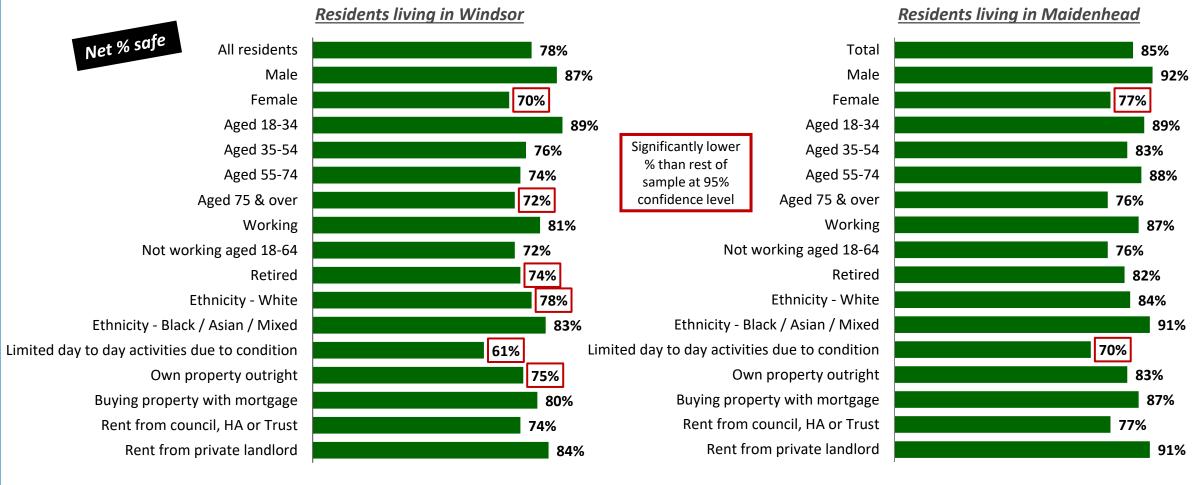
% than other

Base: (1,648)

How safe or unsafe do you feel when outside in your local area after dark? Excluding Don't Know

Consistency in demographic variations of safety perceptions after dark – by area

- Demographic contrasts are apparent when looking at statistics by area but remain particularly stark amongst Windsor residents.
- The difference in perceptions of safety by gender is evident in both areas.



How safe or unsafe do you feel when outside in your local area after dark? Excluding Don't Know

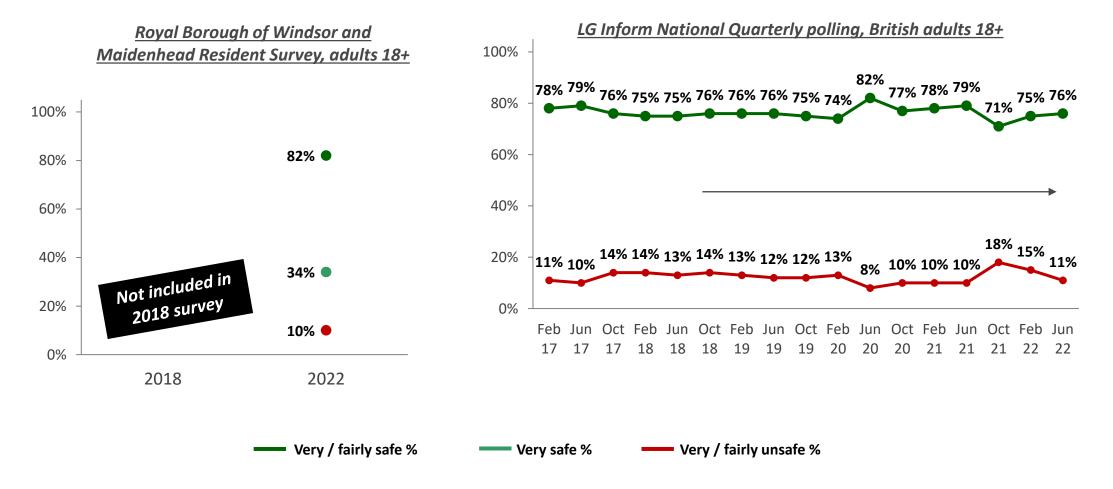
Contrasting perceptions of safety in local area after dark – by gender and age

- A lower proportion of female residents across all age and home ownership groups feel safe in their local area after dark.
- Contrasts are particularly apparent amongst residents aged 35 & over and residents who are renting from the council, housing association or trust.



Perception of safety in local area after dark – time series data & benchmarks

• Feelings of safety are higher than the national average recorded in the quarterly national polling conducted by the LGA.



How safe or unsafe do you feel when outside in your local area after dark?

Base: Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead Resident Survey, n=1,678; Base: LG Inform National Quarterly polling, 1,000 per wave

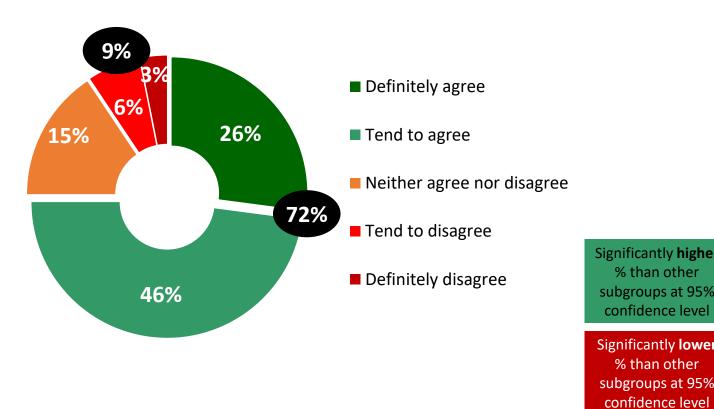


Key findings – Local area cohesion and engagement

• Focused on residents' perceptions of their local communities, including community networks, cohesion, safety and enjoyment of their local area.

People **pulling together** to improve local area

- Just under three quarters (72%) agree people in their local area pull together to improve it; 26% definitely agree and 9% disagree.
- There are two significant differences by demographic. A comparably lower proportion of residents who live in Maidenhead and residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition agree overall.



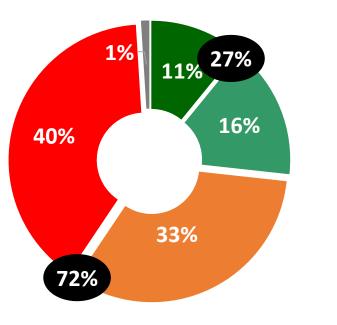
	Net % agree
Live in Ascot and the South	78%
Live in Maidenhead	69%
Live in Windsor	74%
Male	71%
Female	72%
Aged 18-34	76%
Aged 35-54	69%
Aged 55-74	73%
Aged 75 & over	70%
Working	72%
Not working (excl retired)	67%
Retired	75%
Activities limited due to condition	60%
Ethnicity – White	72%
Ethnicity – Black / Asian / Mixed	73%
Own property outright	70%
Buying property with mortgage	76%
Rent from council, HA or Trust	68%
Rent from private landlord	70%

Base: (1,740)

O) To what extent would you agree or disagree that people in this local area pull together to improve the local area?

Level of concern for anti-social behaviour in local area

- Just over a quarter (27%) indicated they are concerned about antisocial behaviour in their local area; 40% are not concerned.
- A higher proportion of residents aged 35-74 indicated they were • concerned compared to other age groups.
- The proportion 'concerned' is comparably lower amongst residents of • Maidenhead.



Very concerned

Somewhat concerned

- Slightly concerned
- Not concerned
- Don't know

ti-		Net % concerned
LI-	Live in Ascot and the South	32%
e	Live in Maidenhead	24%
	Live in Windsor	30%
nts of	Male	26%
	Female	28%
	Aged 18-34	17%
	Aged 35-54	32%
	Aged 55-74	31%
	Aged 75 & over	21%
	Working	27%
	Not working (excl retired)	29%
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	Activities limited due to condition	28%
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% than other subgroups at 95% confidence level	Rent from council, HA or Trust	24%
	Rent from private landlord	22%

(1,740)How concerned are you about anti-social behaviour in your local area...? •

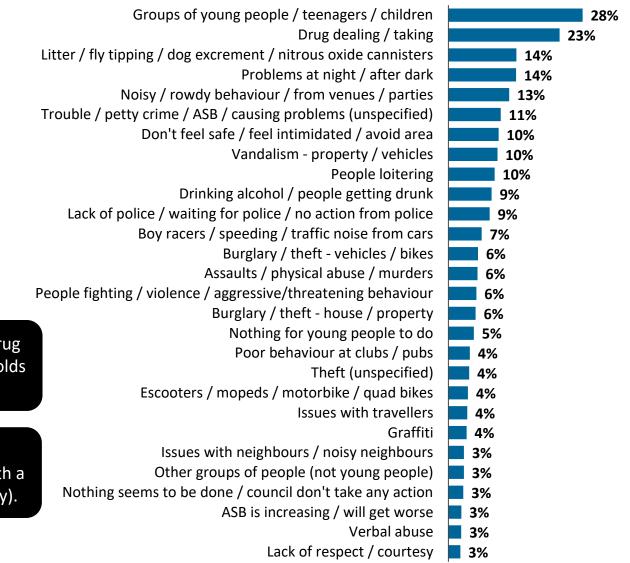
Main anti-social behaviour concerns (amongst those who indicated they are concerned)

- Residents who indicated they were concerned about anti-social behaviour in their local area were asked to detail their main concerns. Reasons were given in residents' own words and these have been categorised into themes for analysis purposes.
- A variety of concerns were raised but the most common are groups of young people / teenagers / children and drug dealing / taking.
 - Demographic contrasts were observed in the degree to which these factors are a concern.

Demographic trends

A higher proportion of 18-34 year olds with a concern cited 'drug dealing / taking' (33%) and a higher proportion of 35-54 year olds cited 'groups of young people / teenagers / children' (35%).

A higher proportion of residents renting from the council, housing association or trust and residents renting privately with a concern cited 'drug dealing / taking' (34% and 32% respectively). What is your main concern about anti-social behaviour in your local area?



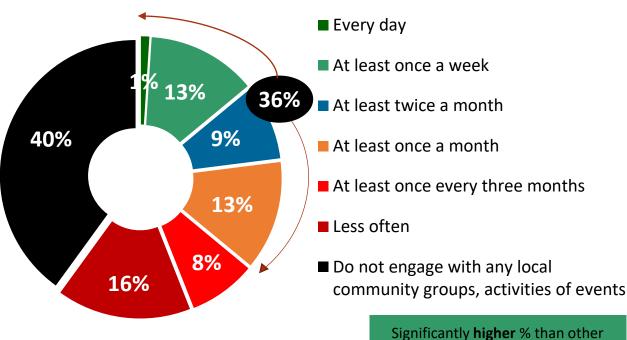
Frequency of engaging with local community groups / activities or events

subgroups at 95% confidence level

Significantly **lower** % than other subgroups at 95% confidence level

Net %

- Just over a third (36%) claim they take part in local community groups, activities or events at least once a month.
- Engagement in community activities is comparably lower amongst residents aged 18-34 and 75 & over, residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition and residents who rent from the council, housing association or trust.



	a month	engagement
Live in Ascot and the South	41%	65%
Live in Maidenhead	34%	60%
Live in Windsor	37%	59%
Male	35%	62%
Female	37%	59%
Aged 18-34	35%	54%
Aged 35-54	37%	68%
Aged 55-74	38%	60%
Aged 75 & over	30%	48%
Working	36%	62%
Not working (excl retired)	34%	56%
Retired	37%	56%
Activities limited due to condition	24%	44%
Ethnicity – White	36%	61%
Ethnicity – Black / Asian / Mixed	37%	58%
Own property outright	39%	62%
Buying property with mortgage	38%	67%
Rent from council, HA or Trust	20%	40%
Rent from private landlord	41%	61% 44

At least once

Any

(1,740) How often do you engage with local community groups / activities or events?

Base:

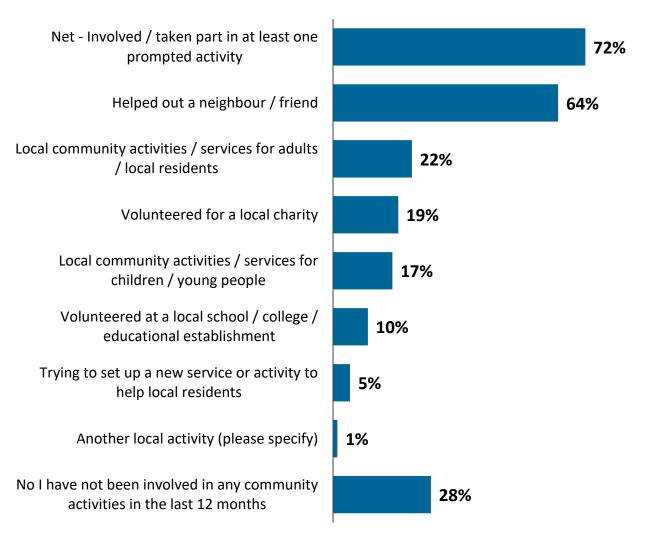
Involvement in community activities in last year

- Just under three quarters (72%) claim they have been involved in at least one of the prompted community activities in the last year. The majority of this engagement is helping neighbours / friends.
- Just under three in ten (28%) claim they have not been involved in any activity in the last year.
- Consistent with previous trends noted, claimed involvement is lower amongst specific age groups and residents renting. In addition, claimed involvement is lower amongst residents of Black / Asian / Mixed ethnicity.

Demographic trends

Involvement in any of the prompted community activities is lower amongst residents aged 18-34 (47%) and residents aged 75 & over (65%).

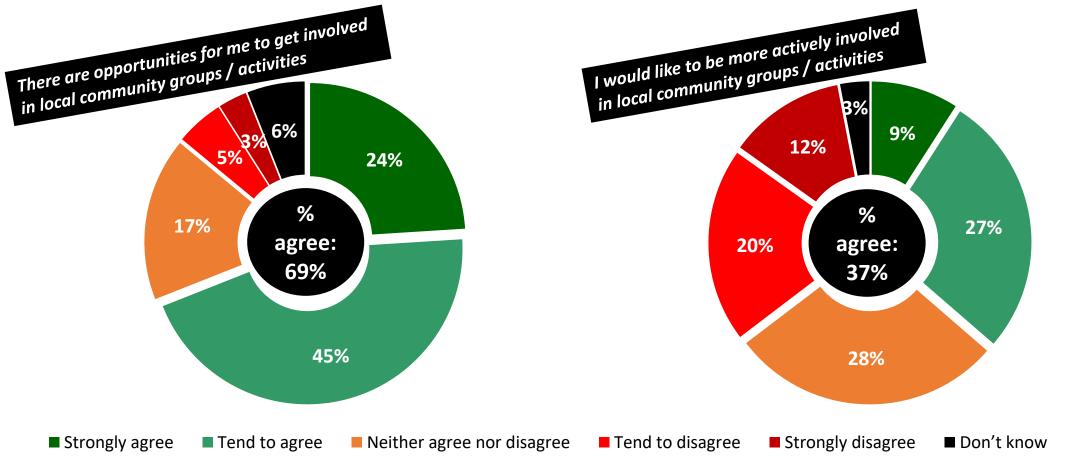
Involvement in any of the prompted community activities is lower amongst residents of Black / Asian / Mixed ethnicity (65%) and residents renting from the council, housing association or trust (62%) or renting privately (55%). Have you been involved in any of the following activities in the last 12 months?



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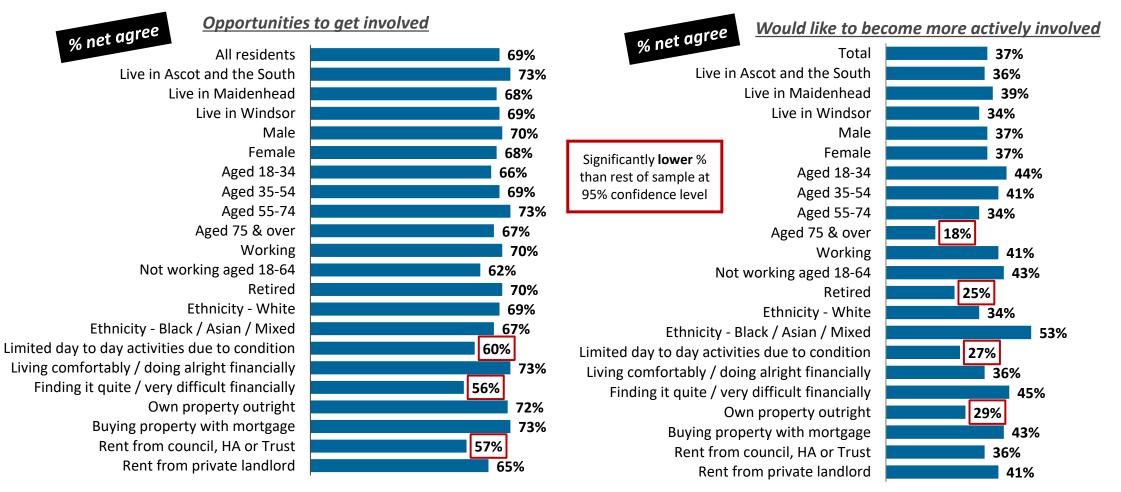
Community engagement opportunities and preferences

- Residents believe there are sufficient opportunities available with just over two thirds (69%) agreeing there are opportunities for them to get involved in local community groups / activities; only 8% disagree.
- Inclination to participate is lower with just under four in ten (37%) agreeing they would likely to be more actively involved;
 32% disagree. A significant proportion are undecided with 28% neither agreeing nor disagreeing.



Contrasting perceptions towards community engagement – by demographic

- Response by demographic group varies but there are notable differences to each statement posed. A lower proportion of residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition, residents who are finding it difficult financially and rent from the council, housing association or trust agree there are opportunities for involvement.
- Inclination for active participation is lower amongst residents aged 75 & over.



Base:

(1,740) Generally speaking, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

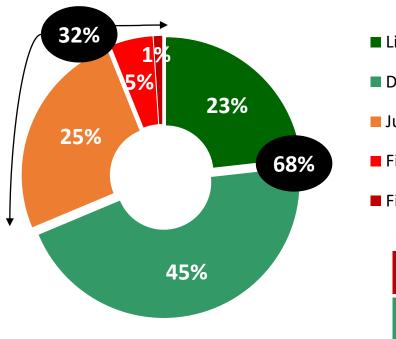


Key findings – Individual welfare and wellbeing

• Providing insight into the wellbeing of our residents, including measuring financial and housing security, in order to inform the approach to cost of living and inequalities strategies within the borough

Degree to which household is **managing financially**

- Just over two thirds (68%) indicated their household is living comfortably financially or doing all right. 25% indicated they are just about getting by and 6% are finding it difficult.
- As expected, there are stark contrasts in financial stability by demographic group. A higher proportion of residents aged 18-34, non-working residents, residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition, residents of Black / Asian / Mixed ethnicity and residents renting are just about getting by / finding it difficult.



- Living comfortably
- Doing all right
- Just about getting by
- Finding it quite difficult
- Finding it very difficult

Significantly **higher** % than other subgroups at 95% confidence level Significantly **lower** % than other subgroups at 95% confidence level

	Net % just about getting by / finding it difficult
Live in Ascot and the South	33%
Live in Maidenhead	30%
Live in Windsor	34%
Male	26%
Female	37%
Aged 18-34	48%
Aged 35-54	31%
Aged 55-74	26%
Aged 75 & over	15%
Working	33%
Not working (excl retired)	52%
Retired	20%
Activities limited due to condition	44%
Ethnicity – White	30%
Ethnicity – Black / Asian / Mixed	41%
Own property outright	16%
Buying property with mortgage	22%
Rent from council, HA or Trust	65%
Rent from private landlord	60%

How well would you say your household are managing financially?

Base:

(1,740)

Biggest concerns for household over next 1-3 years

Residents were asked to tell the interviewers What are your biggest concerns for you and your household over the next 1-3 years? their biggest concerns for themselves and their Cost of living (food prices / energy prices / fuel prices) 53% household over the next 1-3 years. Healthcare / GP access 18% Residents could specify more than one concern Environment / climate change 14% and mentioned 2.1 concerns on average. Access to affordable housing 13% Income / financial security 10% Cost of living dominates as the primary concern Physical health and wellbeing 10% for the next few years (53%), followed by Local economy 9% healthcare / GP access, environment / climate Safety / being a victim of crime 8% change and access to affordable housing. Housing security 6% Specific demographic groups raised more Mental health and wellbeing 6% concerns for the next few years than others. Job security 6% Children's education 6% Public transport 6% Demographic trends Average number Overdevelopment / too much building / losing greenbelt 6% of mentions: 2.1 Levels of pollution 5% The average number of concerns raised is Future job prospects 5% higher amongst residents aged 18-34 (3.7), Loneliness working residents (2.4), non-working residents 2% excluding retired (2.6) and residents of Black / Lack of infrastructure due to overdevelopment / building 2% Asian / Mixed ethnicity (2.9). Refuse / recycling / litter / street cleaning 2% Nothing 17%

Contrasting cost of living / financial concerns for household – by demographic

53%

55%

58%

61%

62%

66%

64%

59%

55%

51%

51%

52%

47%

43%

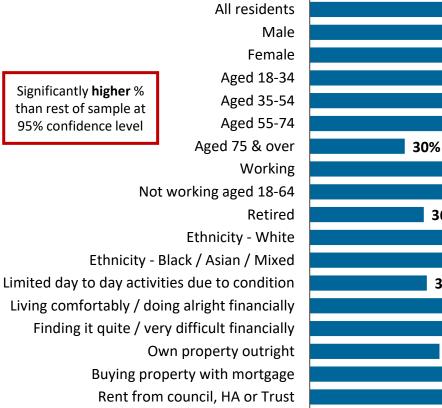
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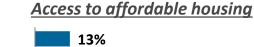
41%

As perhaps expected, concern for the cost of living dominates as the primary concern across all demographic groups, but notably amongst residents aged 18-54, working and non-working residents, residents of Black / Asian / Mixed ethnicity, residents who are finding it difficult financially and residents renting privately. Patterns are broadly consistent in the context of affordable housing access and income / financial security.

70%







31%

12%

11%

17%

19%

20%

18%

32%

12%

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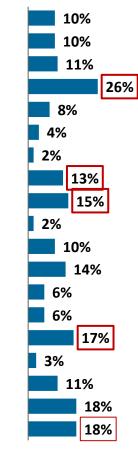
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9%

10%

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Significantly **higher** % than rest of sample at 95% confidence level

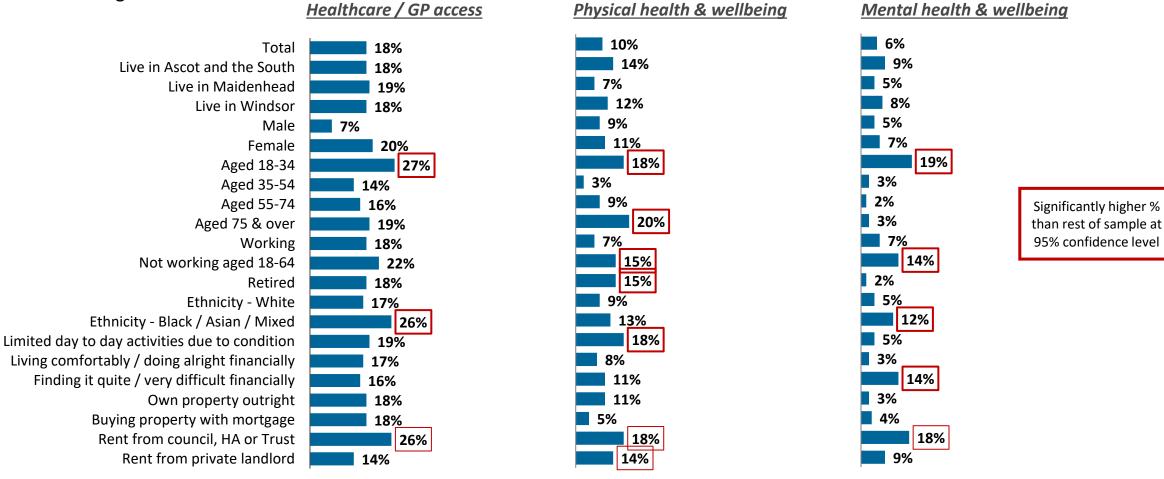
Base:

(1,740)What are your biggest concerns for you and your household over the next 1-3 years?

Rent from private landlord

Contrasting health and wellbeing concerns for household over next 1-3 years

- A higher proportion of residents aged 18-34 and residents renting from the council, housing association or trust referenced all three areas of health & wellbeing as significant, unprompted concerns for them and their household in the next 1-3 years.
- A higher proportion of residents of Black / Asian / Mixed ethnicity referenced healthcare / GP access and mental health & wellbeing concerns.

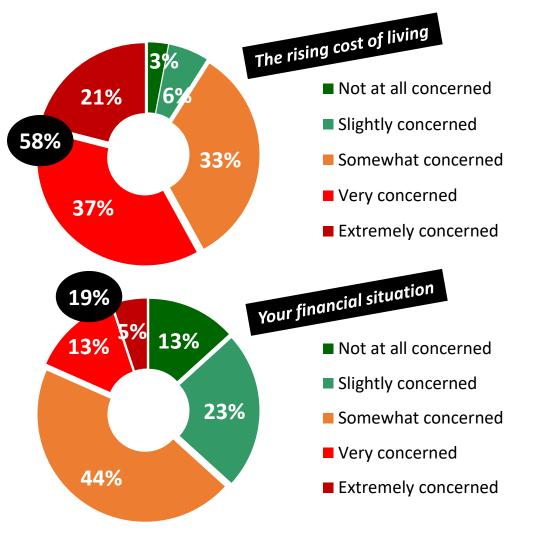


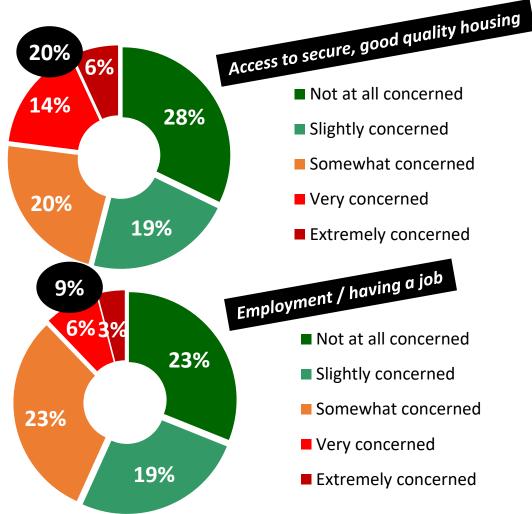
Base:

(1,740) What are your biggest concerns for you and your household over the next 1-3 years?

Degree of concern for financial matters

- When prompted specifically, just under six in ten (58%) indicated they are at least very concerned about the rising cost of living.
- One in five are at least very concerned about access to secure, good quality housing and their financial situation.

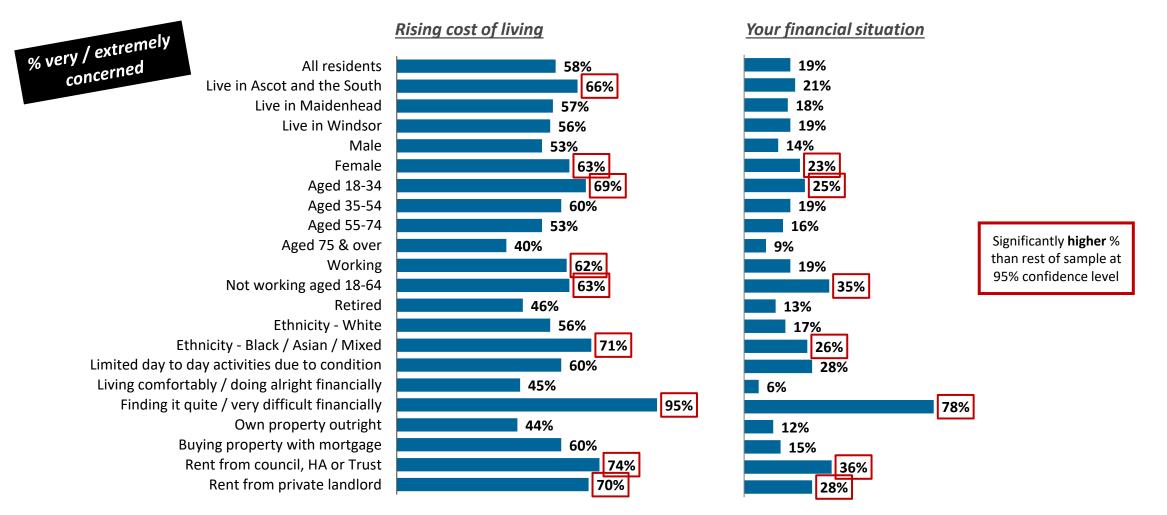




(1,740) To what extent are you concerned about any of the following over the next twelve months?

Contrasting degree of concern for financial matters – by demographic

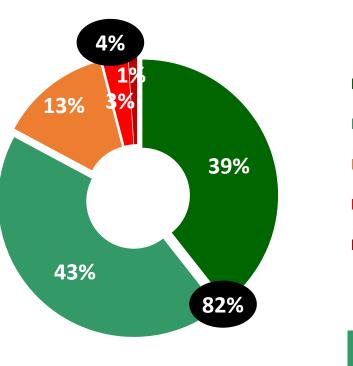
Broadly consistent with trends at an unprompted level, concern for the rising cost of living is higher amongst female residents, residents aged 18-34, working and non-working residents, residents of Black / Asian / Mixed ethnicity, residents who are finding it difficult financially and residents renting. Patterns are broadly consistent in the context of residents' financial situation.



(1,740) To what extent are you concerned about any of the following over the next twelve months?

Perceptions of health in general

- Just over four in five (82%) consider their health to be at least good in general; 39% consider it very good and 4% consider it bad.
- Health perceptions vary considerably with a comparably lower proportion of residents aged 75 & over, non-working residents and residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition who consider themselves in good health.



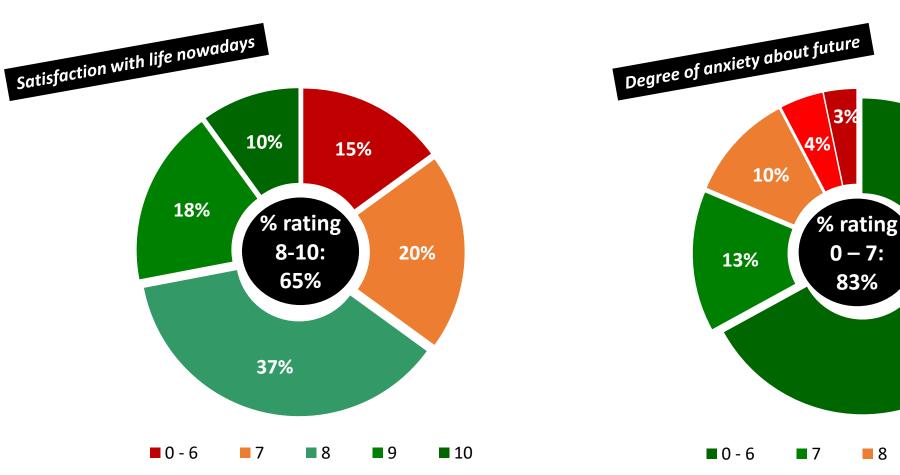


Significantly higher % than other subgroups at 95% confidence level
Significantly lower % than other subgroups at 95% confidence level

	Net % Very good / good
Live in Ascot and the South	86%
Live in Maidenhead	83%
Live in Windsor	80%
Male	85%
Female	80%
Aged 18-34	94%
Aged 35-54	87%
Aged 55-74	78%
Aged 75 & over	56%
Working	91%
Not working (excl retired)	68%
Retired	65%
Activities limited due to condition	28%
Ethnicity – White	81%
Ethnicity – Black / Asian / Mixed	89%
Own property outright	76%
Buying property with mortgage	90%
Rent from council, HA or Trust	69%
Rent from private landlord	89%

(1,740) How is your health in general? Would you say it is?

- Residents were asked to score their 'satisfaction with life nowadays' and 'how anxious they feel about the future' on a 10 point scale.
- Just under two thirds (65%) gave a rating of 8-10 for how satisfied they are with life nowadays; 15% gave a rating of 0-6. ٠
- The majority (83%) rated how anxious they felt about the future as a 0-7. 17% gave a rating of 8-10. ٠



61%

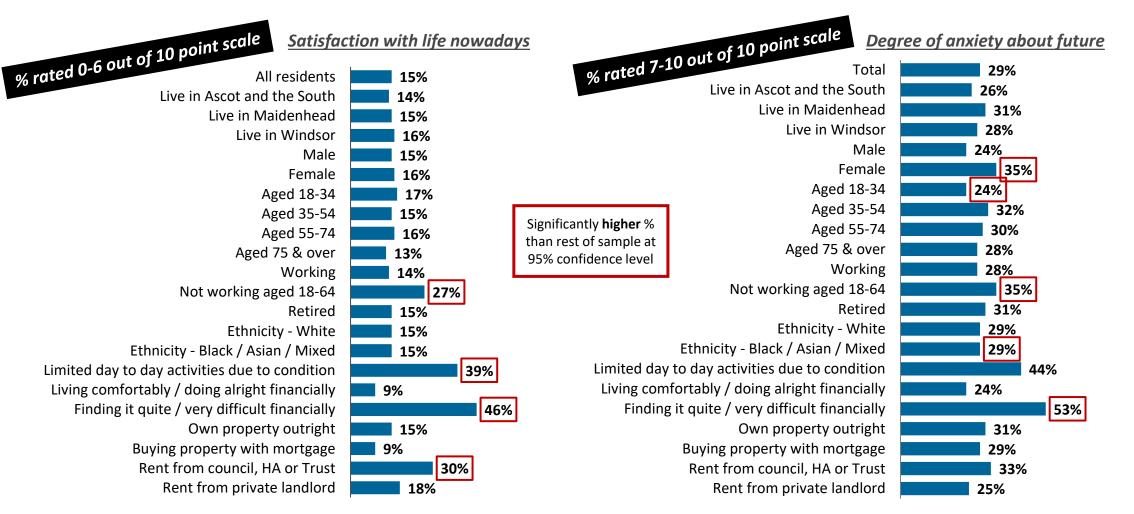
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Contrasting life satisfaction and future anxiety – by demographic group

- A higher proportion of non-working residents, residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition, residents who are finding it difficult financially and residents renting from the council, housing association or trust gave a rating of 0-6 for life satisfaction.
- Anxiety about the future is higher amongst female residents, residents aged 18-34 and residents of Black / Asian / Mixed ethnicity.



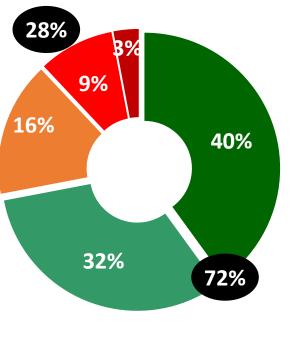
Overall, how satisfied are you with your life nowadays? / Overall, how anxious do you feel about the future?

wellbeing and Individual welfare

Base:

Frequency of **feeling lonely**

- Just under three quarters (72%) claim they never or hardly ever feel lonely; 28% indicated they feel lonely occasionally, some of the time or always.
- A higher proportion of female residents, residents aged 18-34 and 75 & over, non-working residents, residents whose activities are limited due to a health condition and residents finding it difficult financially find themselves lonely at least occasionally.



- Never
- Hardly ever
- Occasionally
- Some of the time
- Often or always

Significantly **higher** % than other subgroups at 95% confidence level Significantly **lower** % than other

subgroups at 95% confidence level

	Net % occasionally / some of the time / often / always
Live in Ascot and the South	30%
Live in Maidenhead	25%
Live in Windsor	32%
Male	22%
Female	34%
Aged 18-34	32%
Aged 35-54	23%
Aged 55-74	29%
Aged 75 & over	35%
Working	25%
Not working (excl retired)	42%
Retired	33%
Activities limited due to condition	47%
Ethnicity – White	28%
Ethnicity – Black / Asian / Mixed	27%
Own property outright	28%
Buying property with mortgage	18%
Rent from council, HA or Trust	37%
Rent from private landlord	44%

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