

2007 Residents' Opinion Survey – allocation of resources

1.1 Allocation of resources

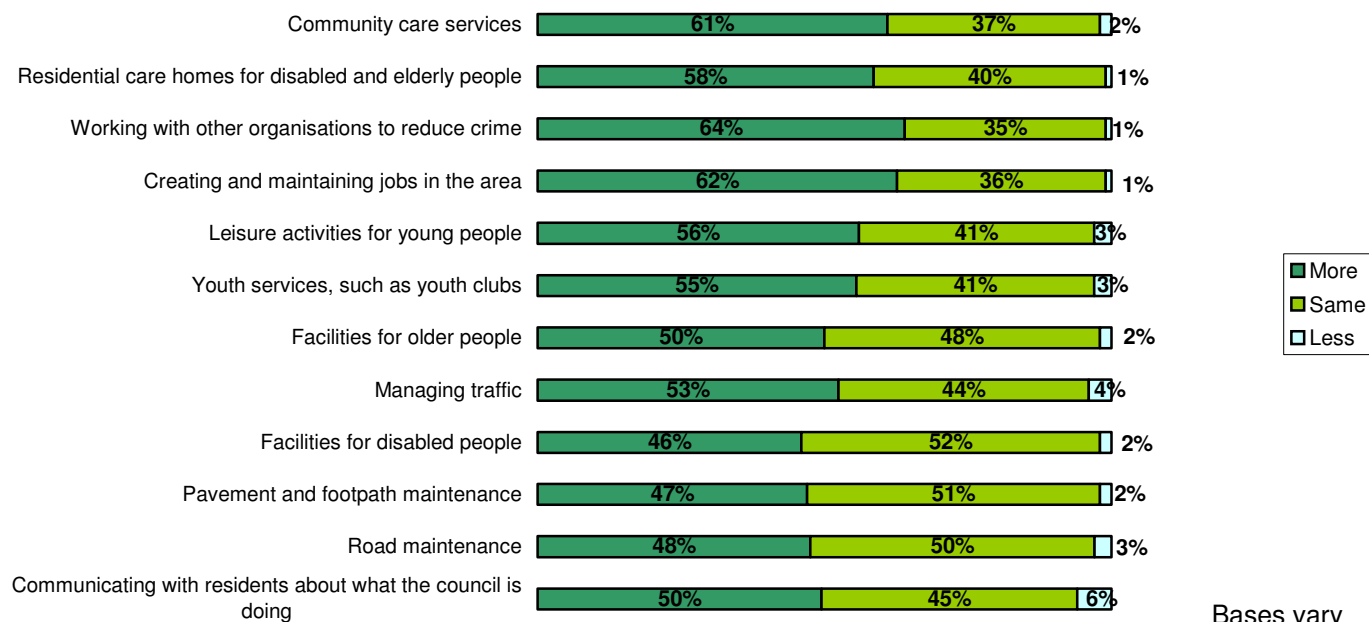
Respondents were informed that the council is currently preparing its budget for the financial year starting 1 April 2008 and that they would like residents' views on the allocation of resources given to different services that are under the council's direct control.

All respondents were asked whether the council should allocate more resources, the same amount or fewer resources when it sets the budget for next year.

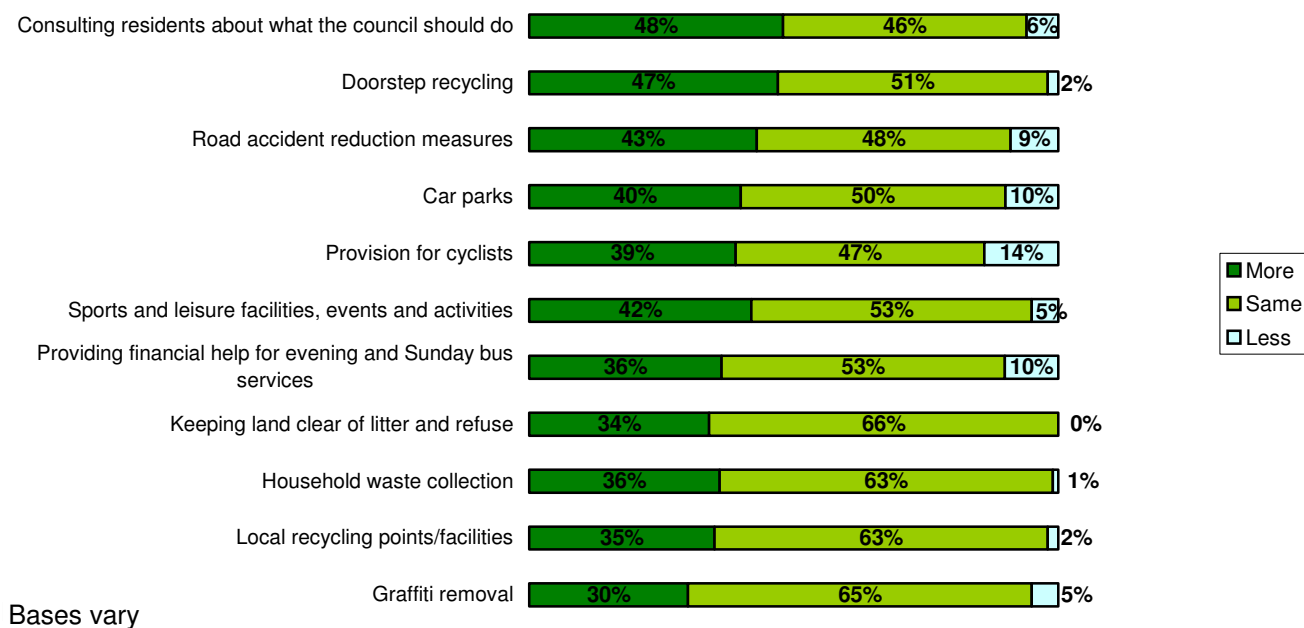
Three groups of services emerged:

- Services where a majority of residents feel that more resources should be allocated such as community care services, residential care homes, working with other organisations to reduce crime, creating and maintaining jobs in the area, leisure activities for young people, youth services and facilities for older people.
- Services where only around half the residents feel that more resources should be spent such as managing traffic, facilities for disabled people, pavement and footpath maintenance, road maintenance and communicating and consulting with residents.
- Services where only a minority feel that more resources should be allocated such as doorstep recycling, road accident reduction measure, car parks, etc.
- Interestingly, one in five (20%) feel that less should be spent on arts events in the city.

(Q35a) Should the council should allocate more resources, the same amount or fewer resources when it sets its budget for next year? (valid responses only)



(Q35b) Should the council should allocate more resources, the same amount or fewer resources when it sets its budget for next year? (valid responses only)



(Q35c) Should the council should allocate more resources, the same amount or fewer resources when it sets its budget for next year? (valid responses only)

