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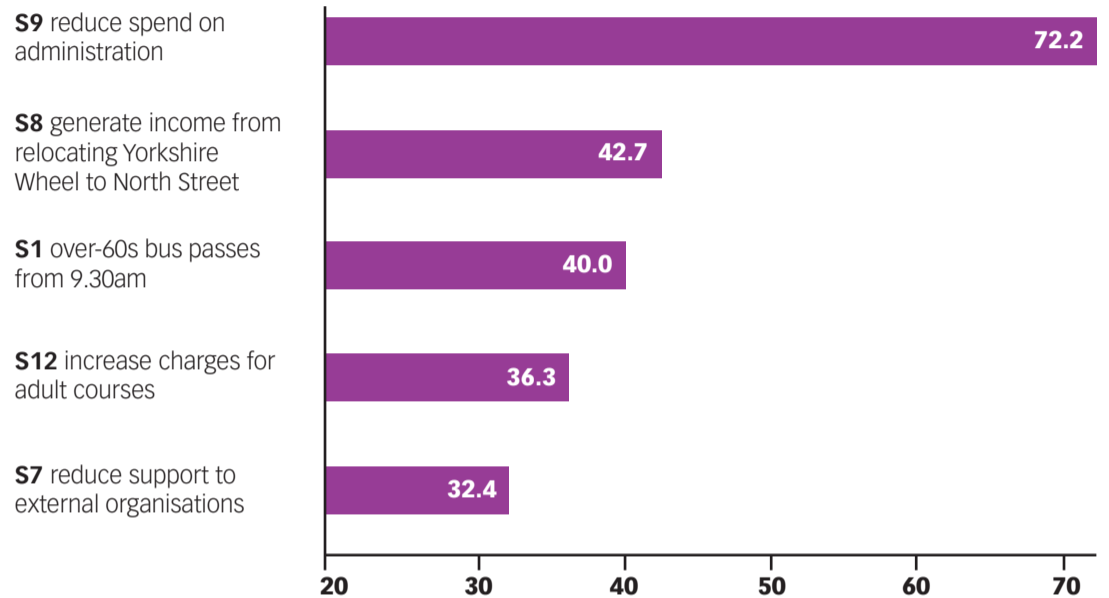
Budget Special

2008 RESULTS

Thank you to those of you who chose to have your say in our annual Budget Consultation. In terms of patterns of priorities, the maintenance of basic infrastructure such as roads, parks and open spaces was a priority. There was also widespread support for measures to help the more vulnerable residents in our city. See the article in *Your City* for more details of the council's budget for 2009/10.

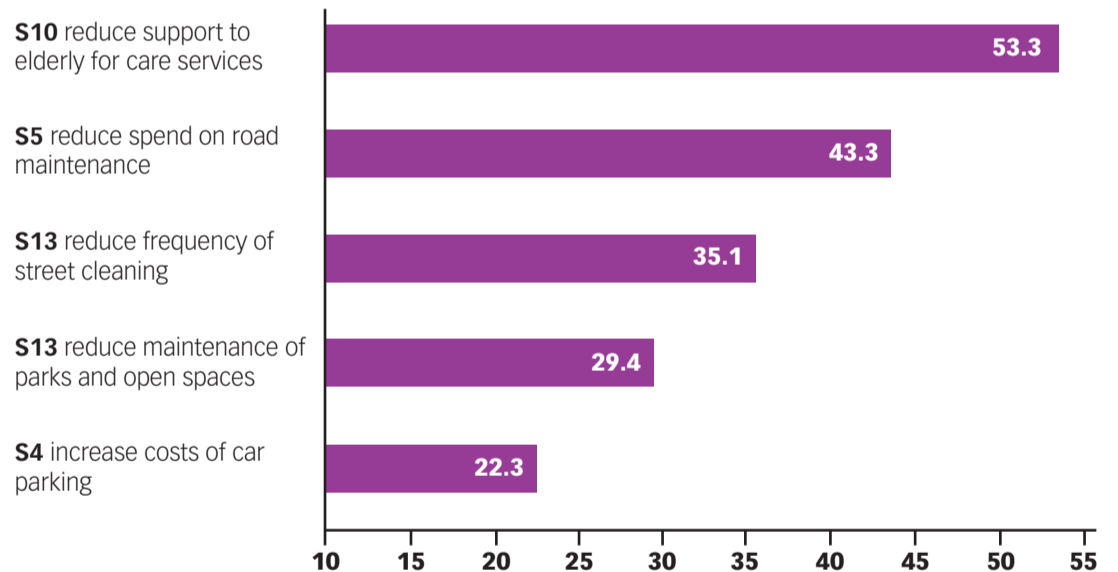
For savings, S9 (administration costs) is a top priority, with almost three-quarters of respondents choosing it in their top three options; around a third chose S8 (Yorkshire Wheel), S1 (over-60s bus passes), S12 (course fees) and S7 (support of external organisations).

% nominating area as a top three priority for making savings



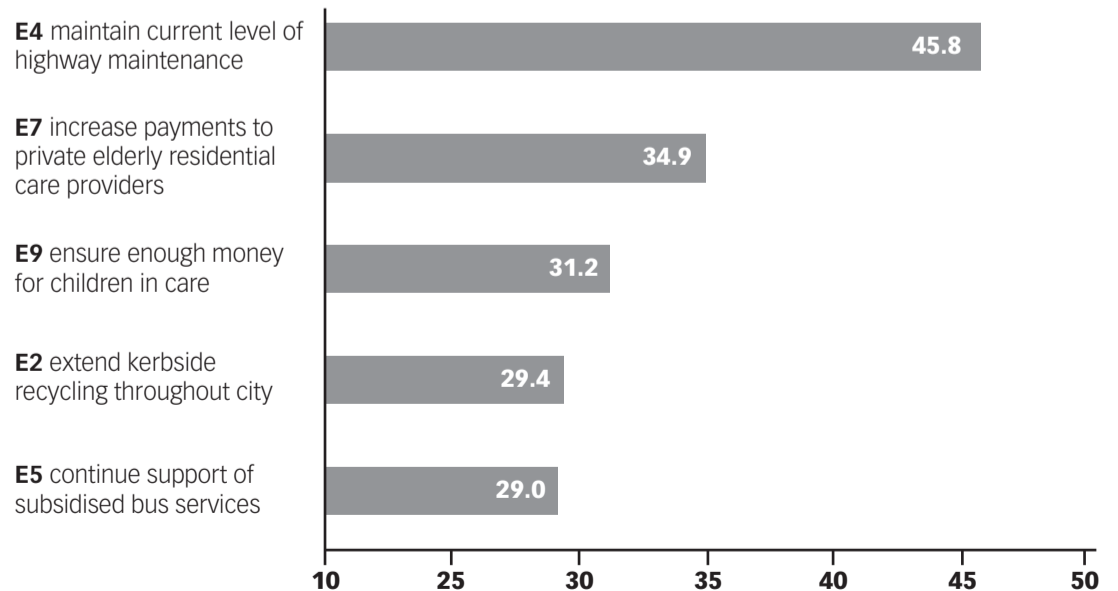
When asked to prioritise those areas to NOT make savings, over half chose S10 (care services for elderly) in their top three, with the next three areas relating to maintenance of infrastructure – S6 (roads), S3 (street cleaning) and S13 (parks and open spaces). Around a fifth chose S4 (car parking).

% nominating area as a top three priority for NOT making savings



In terms of spend, E4 (highway and footpath maintenance) is a top priority, with almost half of respondents choosing it in their top three options; around a third chose E7 (providers of residential care to elderly), E9 (children in care), E2 (kerbside recycling) and E5 (subsidised bus services).

% nominating area as a top three priority for increasing spend

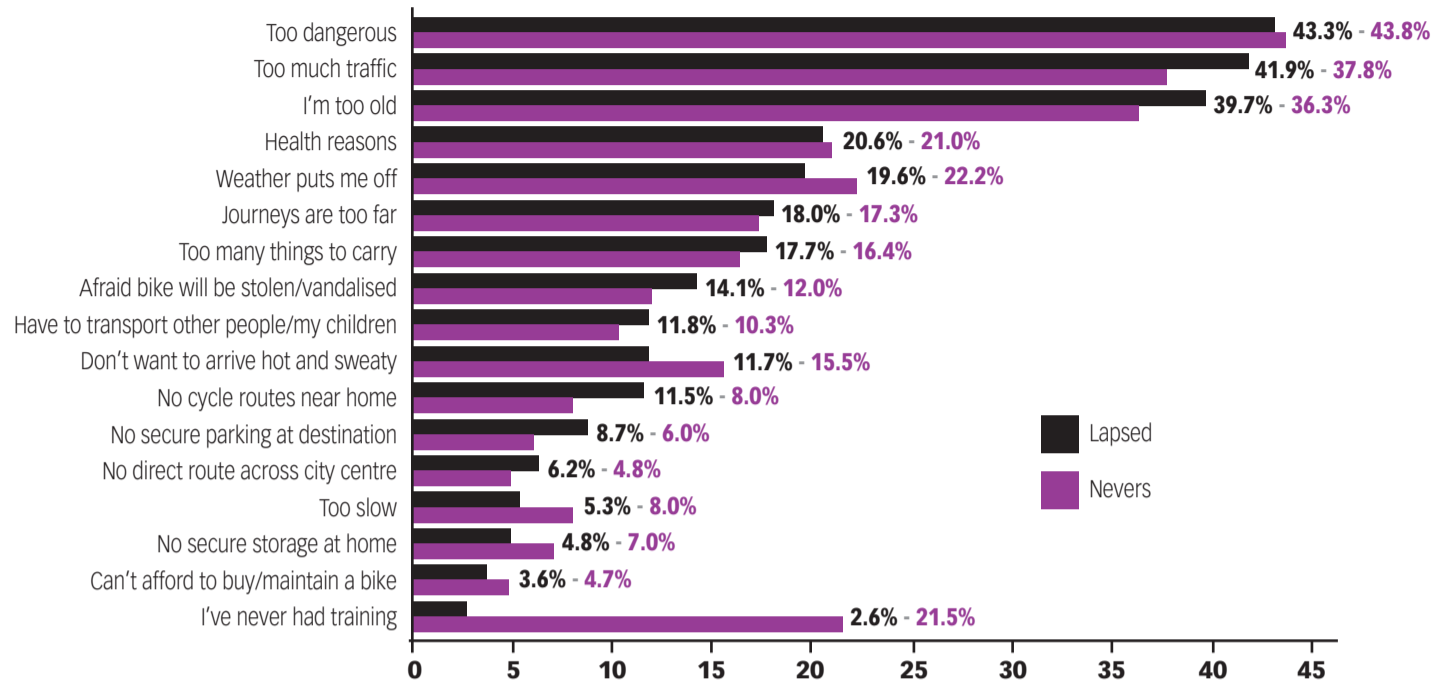


The Budget Consultation took place in November/December 2008, with a closing date of 17 December. Questionnaires were distributed by hand and post to all York households, with a further option to complete online. 7,748 questionnaires were completed, a response rate of about 9 per cent. This is almost 20 per cent up on the 2008 response of around 6,500. Data-processing was carried out by an independent research agency; the report was compiled by Marketing and Communications, City of York Council.

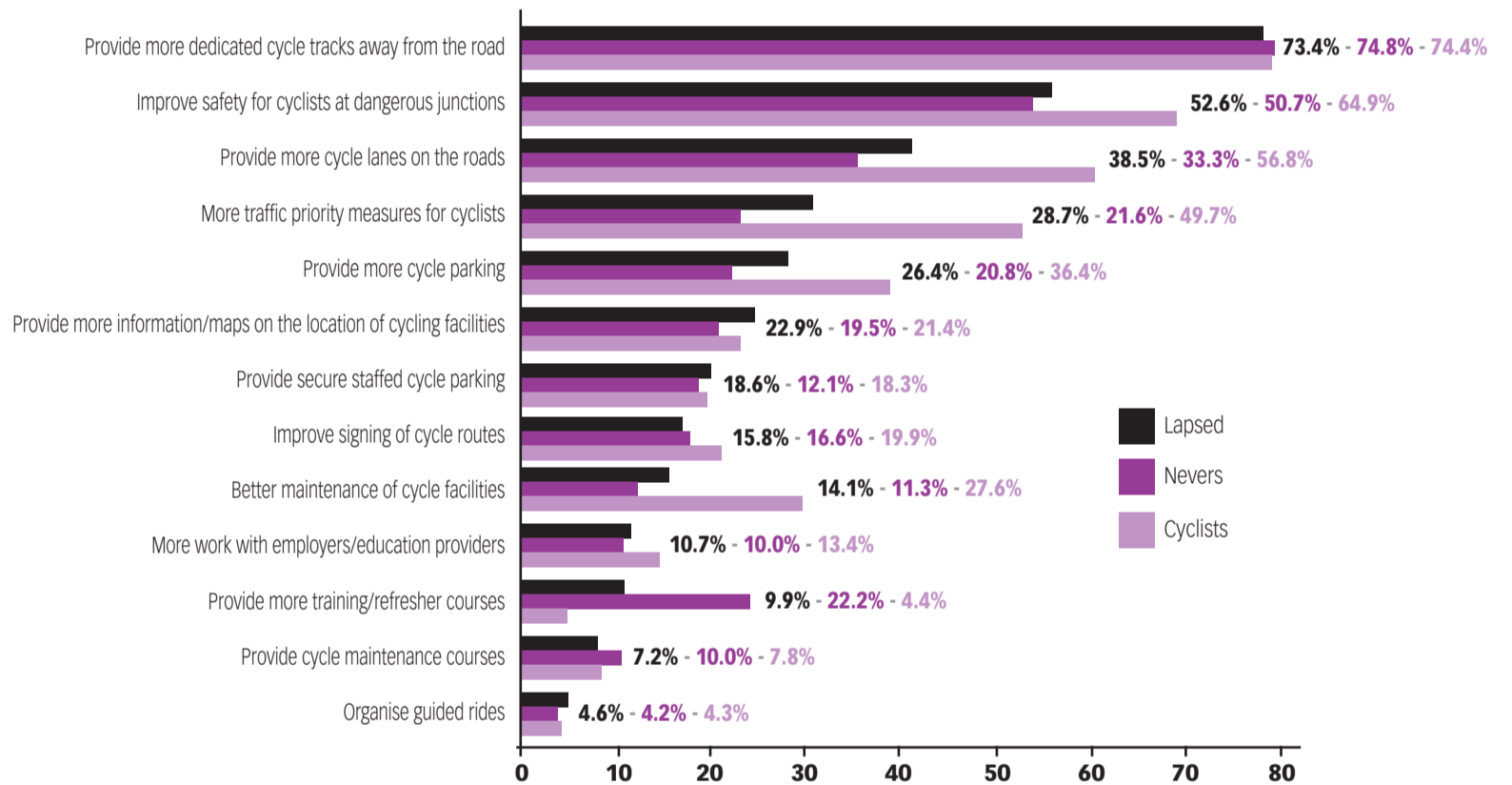
Cycling City Survey - Results

Thank you to those of you who chose to have your say in our Cycling City Survey. It was great to get so many responses, not only from cyclists but also from non-cyclists – both lapsed cyclists and people who have never cycled ('nevers'). See the article in *Your City* for the latest news of Cycling City York.

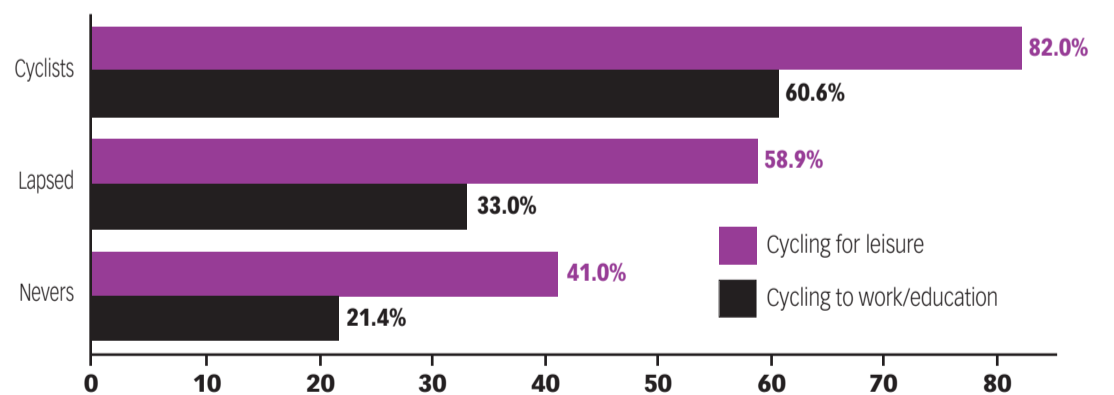
We asked non-cyclists why they don't cycle. The main reasons are the same for both lapsed and nevers - cycling is regarded as too dangerous, or they feel they're not well enough or young enough. Additionally, nevers claim that a lack of training is a barrier.



We asked you all what would improve cycling for you or encourage you to cycle more. For cyclists, priority improvements are provision and maintenance of infrastructure. The pattern of priorities for non-cyclists is similar overall, though nevers are also interested in training courses.



We asked you whether, if we made the changes you suggested, you would consider cycling to work/education site or for leisure. Amongst cyclists, of those who don't already cycle for leisure, over four-fifths said they would; amongst lapsed, over three-fifths said they would; and amongst nevers, two fifths. The figures for considering cycling to work/education site were lower at three-fifths, a third and a fifth respectively.



We asked you to identify locations which need cycle parking facilities, those that are dangerous for cyclists and locations where you would like on-road lanes or off-road tracks. The table shows the top six results for cyclists.

Ranking	Locations			
	Parking	Dangerous	On-road lanes	Off-road tracks
1	City Centre	Blossom Street	Blossom Street	Wigginton Road
2	Parliament Street	Gillygate	Holgate Road (2=)	Ring Road
3	Railway Station	Railway Station	Hull Road (2=)	Tadcaster Road
4	York Minster	Ring Road	Fulford Road (2=)	Haxby Road
5	Stonebow	Lendal Bridge	Wigginton Road (5=)	Fulford Road
6	Micklegate	Fishergate	Haxby Road (5=)	Clifton Moor