

# City of York Council

## Restoring Blue Badge Access Phase 1 Results Sep-23

The survey opened 7 August and closed 18 September 2023.  
3126 people started the survey.

Comments were made by 1223 respondents:

227 respondents made a suggestion.

188 commented on personal experience.

95 commented on the consultation itself (13 Positive, 81 Negative, 1 Both).

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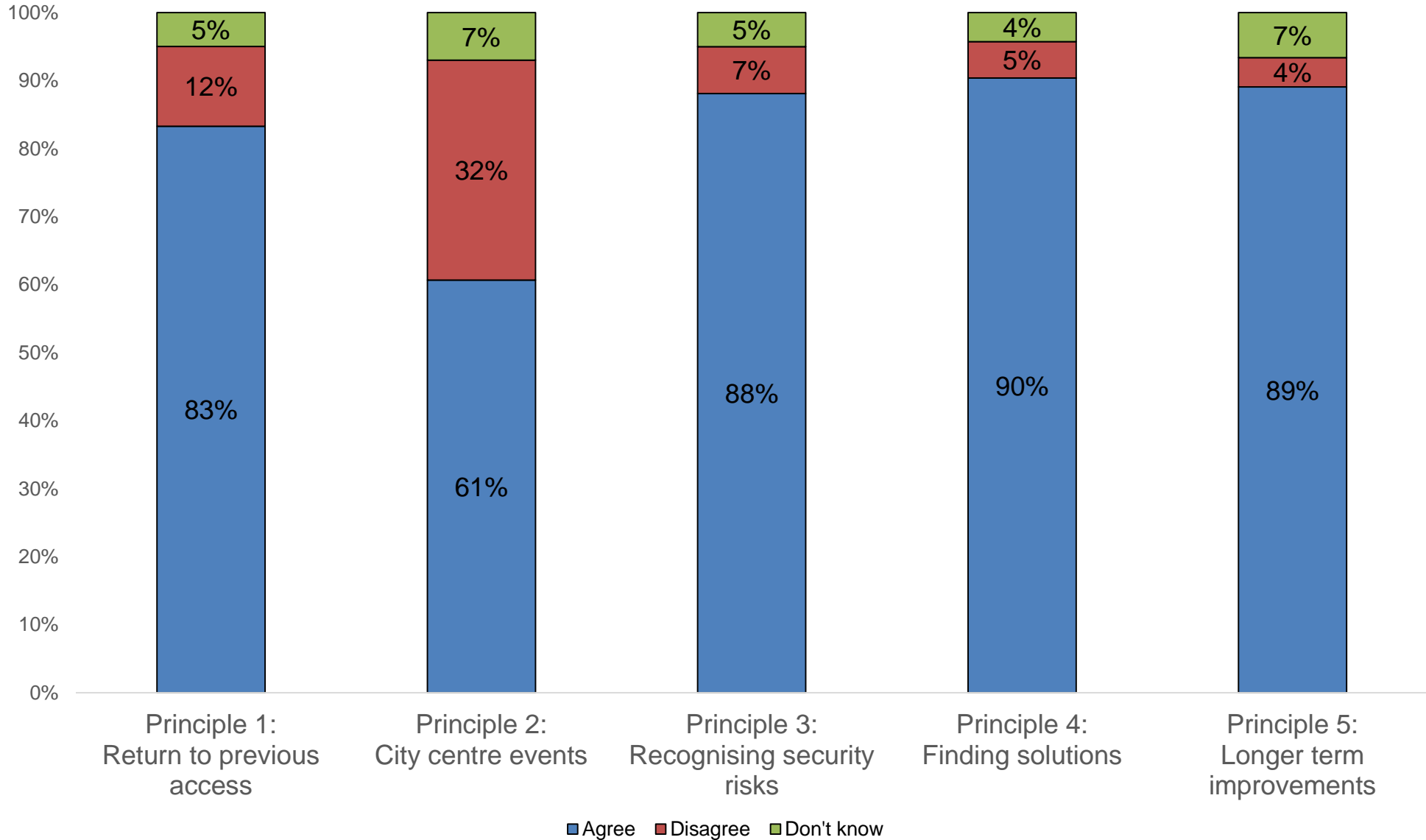
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### Percentage of respondents who agree or disagree with each principle

Principles	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
<p><b>Principle 1: Return to previous access</b> This principle aims, subject to full consultation, to revert to the Blue Badge accessibility measures that were in place before the council's decision of November 2021.</p>	83%	12%	5%	2867
<p><b>Principle 2: City centre events</b> Some events, as prior to the November 2021 decision, may require Blue Badge access to be suspended at times (for example during the Christmas Markets).</p>	61%	32%	7%	2870
<p><b>Principle 3: Recognising security risks</b> In light of any security risk intelligence, the police will have power to lock down all access to the city centre under an Anti-Terrorism Traffic Regulation Order (ATTRO), a counter-terrorism measure under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004.</p>	88%	7%	5%	2866
<p><b>Principle 4: Finding solutions</b> If the Council Executive agrees to restore Blue Badge access through the new hostile vehicle barriers, then the council will work with Blue Badge holders on the detailed ways to achieve this.</p>	90%	5%	4%	2858
<p><b>Principle 5: Longer term improvements</b> The council is committed to considering and implementing longer-term improvements to accessibility in the city, taking into consideration the needs and opinions of the community on an ongoing basis, including in the development of its Transport Strategy.</p>	89%	4%	7%	2861

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### Principle 1: Return to previous access

This principle aims, subject to full consultation, to revert to the Blue Badge accessibility measures that were in place before the council's decision of November 2021.

Blue Badge Holder	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
Yes	91.3%	4.3%	4.4%	1868
No	57.0%	36.6%	6.4%	598
Carer of someone	86.5%	8.7%	4.8%	355

Responding as:	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
A disabled resident	91.4%	3.8%	4.8%	1879
A member of a disability advocacy group	90.5%	9.5%	0.0%	21
A public transport provider	71.4%	28.6%	0.0%	7
A community organisation	84.8%	9.1%	6.1%	33
A local business	35.3%	58.8%	5.9%	34
An elected member	90.9%	9.1%	0.0%	11
None of the above	67.0%	27.6%	5.4%	709
Prefer not to say	65.0%	29.9%	5.1%	117

Comments related to P1	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
All	76.3%	23.7%		723

### Principle 2: City centre events

Some events, as prior to the November 2021 decision, may require Blue Badge access to be suspended at times (for example during the Christmas Markets).

Blue Badge Holder	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
Yes	59.0%	34.0%	7.0%	1874
No	64.2%	29.1%	6.7%	598
Carer of someone	63.6%	29.0%	7.4%	352

Responding as:	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
A disabled resident	58.9%	33.8%	7.3%	1886
A member of a disability advocacy group	47.6%	38.1%	14.3%	21
A public transport provider	71.4%	28.6%	0.0%	7
A community organisation	54.5%	42.4%	3.0%	33
A local businesses	70.6%	23.5%	5.9%	34
An elected member	27.3%	63.6%	9.1%	11
None of the above	65.4%	29.1%	5.5%	708
Prefer not to say	62.9%	26.7%	10.3%	116

Comments related to P2	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
All	70.3%	29.7%		74

### Principle 3: Recognising security risks

In light of any security risk intelligence, the police will have power to lock down all access to the city centre under an Anti-Terrorism Traffic Regulation Order (ATTRO), a counter-terrorism measure under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004.

Blue Badge Holder	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
Yes	89.2%	6.5%	4.3%	1869
No	83.3%	8.9%	7.9%	598
Carer of someone	90.4%	5.9%	3.7%	354

Responding as:	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
A disabled resident	89.2%	6.4%	4.4%	1882
A member of a disability advocacy group	66.7%	23.8%	9.5%	21
A public transport provider	71.4%	28.6%	0.0%	7
A community organisation	84.8%	0.0%	15.2%	33
A local business	88.2%	8.8%	2.9%	34
An elected member	90.9%	9.1%	0.0%	11
None of the above	87.9%	6.8%	5.4%	709
Prefer not to say	76.7%	12.9%	10.3%	116

Comments related to P3	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
All	78.4%	21.6%		102

### Principle 4: Finding solutions

If the Council Executive agrees to restore Blue Badge access through the new hostile vehicle barriers, then the council will work with Blue Badge holders on the detailed ways to achieve this.

Blue Badge Holder	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
Yes	94.9%	2.3%	2.8%	1865
No	75.5%	16.0%	8.6%	595
Carer of someone	92.6%	3.4%	4.0%	353

Responding as:	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
A disabled resident	95.1%	2.1%	2.8%	1877
A member of a disability advocacy group	95.2%	4.8%	0.0%	21
A public transport provider	85.7%	14.3%	0.0%	7
A community organisation	90.9%	6.1%	3.0%	33
A local business	70.6%	29.4%	0.0%	34
An elected member	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	11
None of the above	81.9%	10.9%	7.2%	706
Prefer not to say	72.6%	17.1%	10.3%	117

Comments related to P4	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
All	93.3%	6.7%		75

### Principle 5: Longer term improvements

The council is committed to considering and implementing longer-term improvements to accessibility in the city, taking into consideration the needs and opinions of the community on an ongoing basis, including in the development of its Transport Strategy.

Blue Badge Holder	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
Yes	90.2%	3.5%	6.3%	1871
No	86.1%	6.9%	7.1%	595
Carer of someone	88.3%	4.3%	7.4%	351

Responding as:	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
A disabled resident	90.2%	3.5%	6.3%	1886
A member of a disability advocacy group	95.0%	5.0%	0.0%	20
A public transport provider	85.7%	0.0%	14.3%	7
A community organisation	93.9%	3.0%	3.0%	33
A local business	73.5%	20.6%	5.9%	34
An elected member	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	11
None of the above	87.2%	5.3%	7.5%	704
Prefer not to say	82.5%	9.6%	7.9%	114

Comments related to P5	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Total
All	100.0%	0.0%		132



### Respondent Groups

#### Are you a Blue Badge holder or the carer of someone who has a Blue Badge?

Blue Badge Holder	Responses	% Responses (for people whom responded)
Yes	1884	66.3%
No	600	21.1%
Carer of someone	356	12.5%
No response	286	10.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3126</b>	

#### Please confirm whether you are responding as:

Responding as:	Responses	% Responses (for people whom responded)
A disabled resident	1898	67.0%
A member of a disability advocacy group	21	0.7%
A public transport provider	7	0.2%
A community organisation	33	1.2%
A local businesses	34	1.2%
An elected member	11	0.4%
None of the above	712	25.1%
Prefer not to say	117	4.1%
No response	293	
<b>Total</b>	<b>3126</b>	