

City of York Council Budget Consultation 2021/22

Interim Results 03/01/2021 (Quantitative Questions Only)

The online Budget Consultation 2021/22 opened on 15/12/2020 and closes on 31/01/2021. Additionally, a paper version of the survey was sent to households inside the Local Link publication, also with a closing date of 31/01/2021.

This reports presents the online responses received up until 03/01/2020 at which point a total of 787 residents and businesses participated.

The consultation gives residents and businesses of York the opportunity to put forward their views to help the council make decisions and deliver the budget for 2021/22.

The consultation results and the raw data will be made available on the council open data platform www.yorkopendata.org.

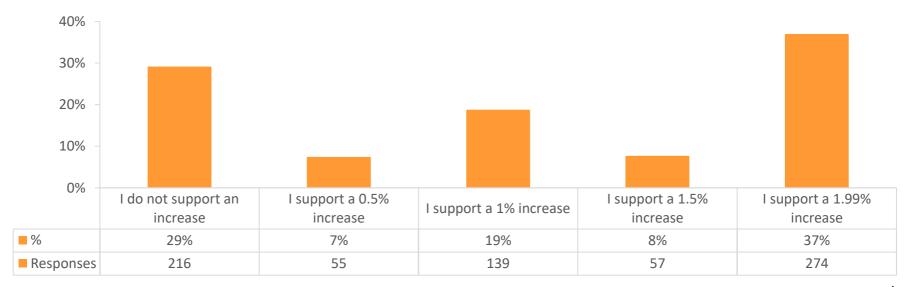
Council Tax

To accelerate recovery and balance the budget, would you rather we; Please select all that apply



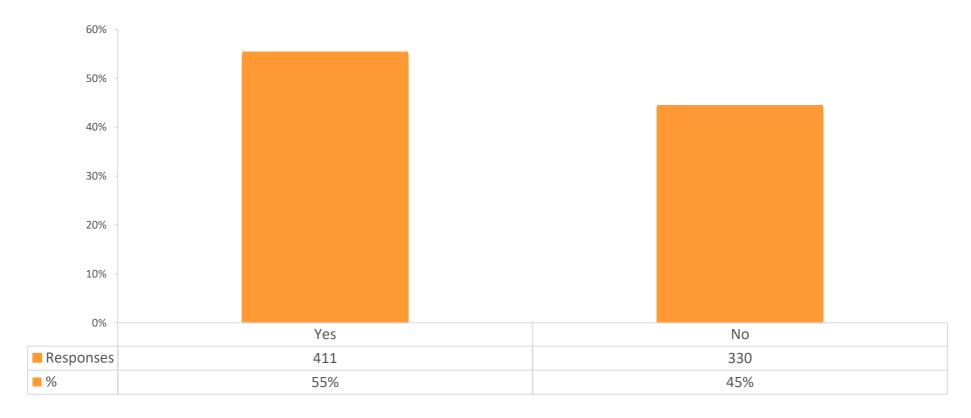
(n=729)

Do you support an increase in council tax to balance the budget and if so by how much?



(n=741)

Social Care Precept
Do you support taking the full social care precept of 3%?



(n=741)

Budget Priorities

Do you agree or disagree that we should prioritise:

| | Disagree | Disagree (%) | Agree | Agree (%) | Neither | Neither (%) |
|--|----------|--------------|-------|-----------|---------|-------------|
| Accelerate city wide recovery (as a priority) | 133 | 18.34% | 370 | 51.03% | 222 | 30.62% |
| Prioritise our public health response to the pandemic, including support for mental health | 71 | 9.70% | 533 | 72.81% | 128 | 17.49% |
| Top-up business grants provided by the government | 339 | 46.82% | 162 | 22.38% | 223 | 30.80% |
| Provide targeted financial support for those who need it the most | 97 | 13.27% | 476 | 65.12% | 158 | 21.61% |
| Support local communities to recover from the pandemic | 141 | 19.37% | 350 | 48.08% | 237 | 32.55% |
| Maintain and develop highways and infrastructure assets, including cycling/walking | 178 | 24.45% | 402 | 55.22% | 148 | 20.33% |
| Maintain and refurbish parks, play areas and libraries | 181 | 24.83% | 361 | 49.52% | 187 | 25.65% |
| Maintain and develop leisure facilities | 235 | 32.37% | 241 | 33.20% | 250 | 34.44% |
| Maintain and upkeep schools | 70 | 9.60% | 515 | 70.64% | 144 | 19.75% |
| Explore additional investment to generate more income for front line services | 116 | 15.91% | 450 | 61.73% | 163 | 22.36% |

Budget Priorities Areas respondents agree should be prioritised

| Prioritise our public health response to the pandemic, including support for mental health | | | 73% |
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| Maintain and upkeep schools | | | 71 % |
| Provide targeted financial support for those who need it the most | | | 65% |
| Explore additional investment to generate more income for front line services | | | 62% |
| Maintain and develop highways and infrastructure assets, including cycling/walking | | | 55% |
| Accelerate city wide recovery (as a priority) | | | 51% |
| Maintain and refurbish parks, play areas and libraries | | | 50% |
| Support local communities to recover from the pandemic | | | 48% |
| Maintain and develop leisure facilities | | | 33% |
| Top-up business grants provided by the government | | | 22% |