

Background to Budget Consultation 2010

Consultation with residents took place in November and December 2009, in the form of a postal survey, with closing date of 18 December. This survey was undertaken as part of a wider consultation exercise with residents.

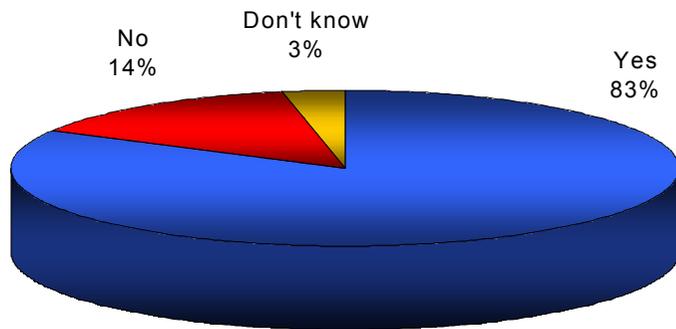
The survey was distributed by hand and post to all York households (c87000), in a leaflet combined with the Local Transport Plan 3 consultation. The response was exceptional at 14.6% – a total of 12,694 completed surveys. 12,572 completed the survey by post and 122 completed it online. This is almost 64% up on the 2008/09 response of 7,748. The results are accurate to within +/- 0.8% at the 95% confidence level.

Data-processing was carried out by an independent research agency; the report was written by the market research team, Marketing & Communications.

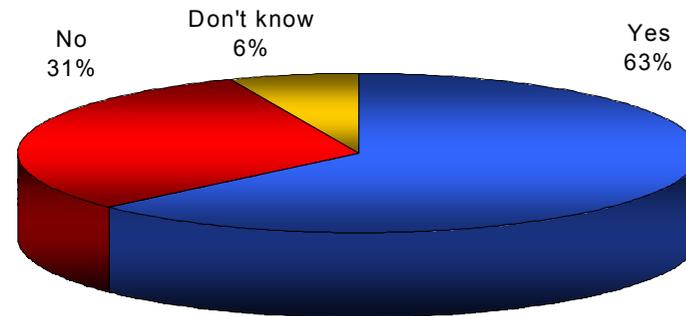
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Overall, 63% of respondents support separating recycling at home before collection. Considerably more (83%) are in favour of using three boxes as opposed to using existing boxes and bags (71%).

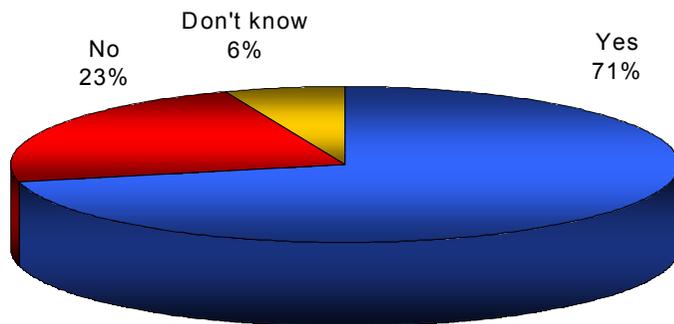
Having three boxes the same size as the current box



Overall support for separating recycling



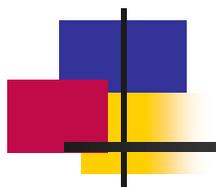
Using existing boxes and bags



Sub-group analysis:

Female respondents (68%), 18-34 year olds (70%) and those with no religious beliefs (68%) are significantly more likely to support separating recycling prior to collection than respondents overall (63%). Although still a majority, disabled respondents (55%) are significantly less likely to support this.

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SPENDING THE RIGHT AMOUNT – Over two thirds of respondents think the council is spending the right amount on libraries (76%), parks and open spaces (71%) and schools (66%). There is also support for the current spending levels on keeping the streets clean (65%) and child care facilities (63%).

% Areas where respondents think the council is spending the right amount

