

City of York Council Budget Consultation 2020/21

SUMMARY

The online Budget Consultation 2020/21 opened on 15/11/2019 and closed on 31/12/2019. Additionally, a short version of the survey was sent to households inside the Our City publication, with a closing date of 12/01/2020. The responses received up until 31/12/2019 have been included in this report.

A total of 691 residents and businesses participated.

The consultation gave the residents and businesses of York the opportunity to put forward their views to help the council make decisions and deliver the budget for 2020/21.

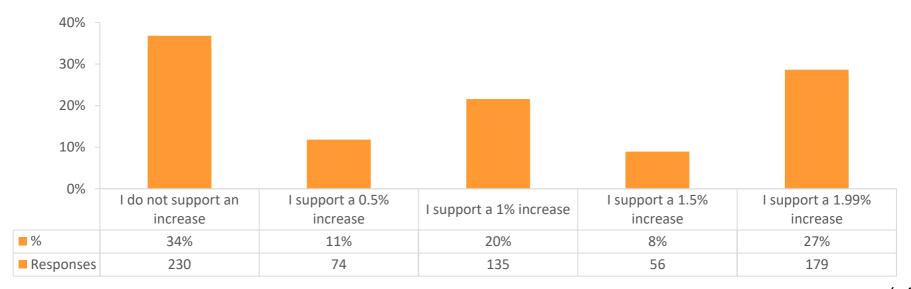
The consultation results and the raw data will be made available on the council open data platform www.yorkopendata.org.

Council Tax In order to balance the budget, would you rather we; (please tick as many as apply)



(n=521)

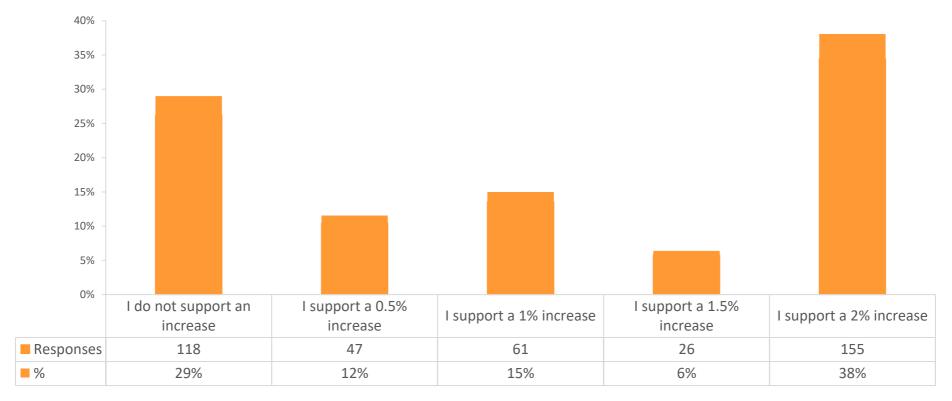
Do you support an increase in council tax to balance the budget and if so by how much?



(n=674)

Social Care Precept

Do you support an increase in funding for adult social care by social care precept and if so by how much?



(n=407)

Capital Investment

To what extent do you agree or disagree that we should prioritise the following areas for investment?

	Disagree	Disagree (%)	Agree	Agree (%)	Neither	Neither (%)
Maintenance of council houses	119	24.29%	244	49.80%	127	25.92%
Maintenance and development of highways and infrastructure assets	46	9.31%	396	80.16%	52	10.53%
Maintenance and refurbishment of council premises	185	38.07%	115	23.66%	186	38.27%
Maintenance of historic assets and facilities	71	14.46%	304	61.91%	116	23.63%
Maintenance and refurbishment of parks, play areas and libraries	46	9.37%	371	75.56%	74	15.07%
Maintenance and development of leisure facilities	96	19.75%	254	52.26%	136	27.98%
Maintenance and upkeep of schools	36	7.29%	390	78.95%	68	13.77%
Maintenance and development of IT systems to support frontline services	101	20.70%	214	43.85%	173	35.45%
Using commercial property investment to generate more income for front line services	94	19.50%	250	51.87%	138	28.63%
Various regeneration initiatives	89	18.86%	193	40.89%	190	40.25%
Flood defence measures	53	10.84%	341	69.73%	95	19.43%
Renewable energy to reduce council and city energy bills	61	12.42%	374	76.17%	56	11.41%

Capital Investment

Areas respondents agree should be priorities for investment

Maintenance and development of highways and infrastructure assets	80%
Maintenance and upkeep of schools	79%
Renewable energy to reduce council and city energy bills	76%
Maintenance and refurbishment of parks, play areas and libraries	76%
Flood defence measures	70%
Maintenance of historic assets and facilities	62%
Maintenance and development of leisure facilities	52%
Using commercial property investment to generate more income for front line services	52%
Maintenance of council houses	50%
Maintenance and development of IT systems to support frontline services	44%
Various regeneration initiatives	41%
Maintenance and refurbishment of council premises	24%

Answering this survey:

Ward	Responses	
As a resident	667	
On behalf of a business	7	
On behalf of a public sector organisation	5	
On behalf of a charity that covers the York area	3	
On behalf of a community group in York	0	
Other (please specify)	9	
Total	691	

Overall response to survey by ward

Ward	Responses	Responses (%)
Acomb Ward	26	3.78%
Bishopthorpe Ward	9	1.31%
Clifton Ward	21	3.06%
Copmanthorpe Ward	<5	-
Dringhouses & Woodthorpe Ward	25	3.64%
Fishergate Ward	16	2.33%
Fulford & Heslington Ward	10	1.46%
Guildhall Ward	38	5.53%
Haxby & Wigginton Ward	20	2.91%
Heworth Ward	20	2.91%
Heworth Without Ward	11	1.60%
Holgate Ward	29	4.22%
Hull Road Ward	8	1.16%
Huntington & New Earswick Ward	17	2.47%
Micklegate Ward	35	5.09%
Osbaldwick & Derwent Ward	15	2.18%
Rawcliffe & Clifton Without Ward	19	2.77%
Rural West York Ward	8	1.16%
Strensall Ward	13	1.89%
Westfield Ward	33	4.80%
Wheldrake Ward	10	1.46%
Unknown	304	44.25%

Results can be split by ward but due to low numbers may not be statistically significant

Demographics

Age

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Answer choices	Responses	Percentage of total response
Under 16	0	-
16-24	7	3%
25-39	56	27%
40-55	71	34%
56-59	18	9%
60-64	19	9%
65+	36	17%
Prefer not to say	26	-
Total	233	

Disability type (select all that apply)

Answer choices	Responses	Percentage of total response
Physical impairment	10	4%
Sensory impairment	6	3%
Mental health condition	12	5%
Learning disability	<5	-
Long-standing illness or health condition	21	9%
Total	32	

Carer

Answer Choices	Responses	Percentage of total response
Yes	21	10%
No	188	90%
Prefer not to say	24	-
Total	233	

Served in the Armed Forces

Answer Choices	Responses	Percentage of total response
Yes	12	6%
No	193	94%
Prefer not to say	28	-
Total	233	

Disability

Answer choices	Responses	Percentage of total response
Yes	32	16%
No	172	84%
Prefer not to say	30	-
Total	234	

Gender

Answer choices	Responses	Percentage of total response
Male	103	55%
Female	81	44%
Gender variant / Non binary	2	1%
Prefer not to say	47	-
Total	233	