

Household Survey Rosslare

May 2019

Commissioned by RDA / RCDA in partnership with Wexford County Council



Introduction

- 700 surveys distributed to households in April / May 2019

- 208 surveys returned

Response Rate = 30%

HOUSEHOLD SURVEY

Survey Number

ROSSLARE AND ITS ENVIRONS 5 YEAR PLAN

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Dear Community Member,

Your views are VERY IMPORTANT to the future development of Rosslare. The purpose of this survey is to get your vision for the future of the village and surrounding areas.

Rosslare Community Development Association received support from Wexford County Council to conduct a survey of the village residents. It is being circulated to all households in the area and these results will inform our Action Plan to shape Rosslare over the next five years.

Please place your survey in the envelope enclosed which will be collected by a member of the Committee over the next week. All responses will be treated in strict confidence and a consultant has been contracted to prepare a plan. If you have any questions or would like to get more involved, please contact a Committee member or email rcda@outlook.ie. The outcome of the survey will be published in due course on the Community Centre website and on the Centre's noticeboard. Please also find enclosed a youth survey for 12 to 19 year olds.

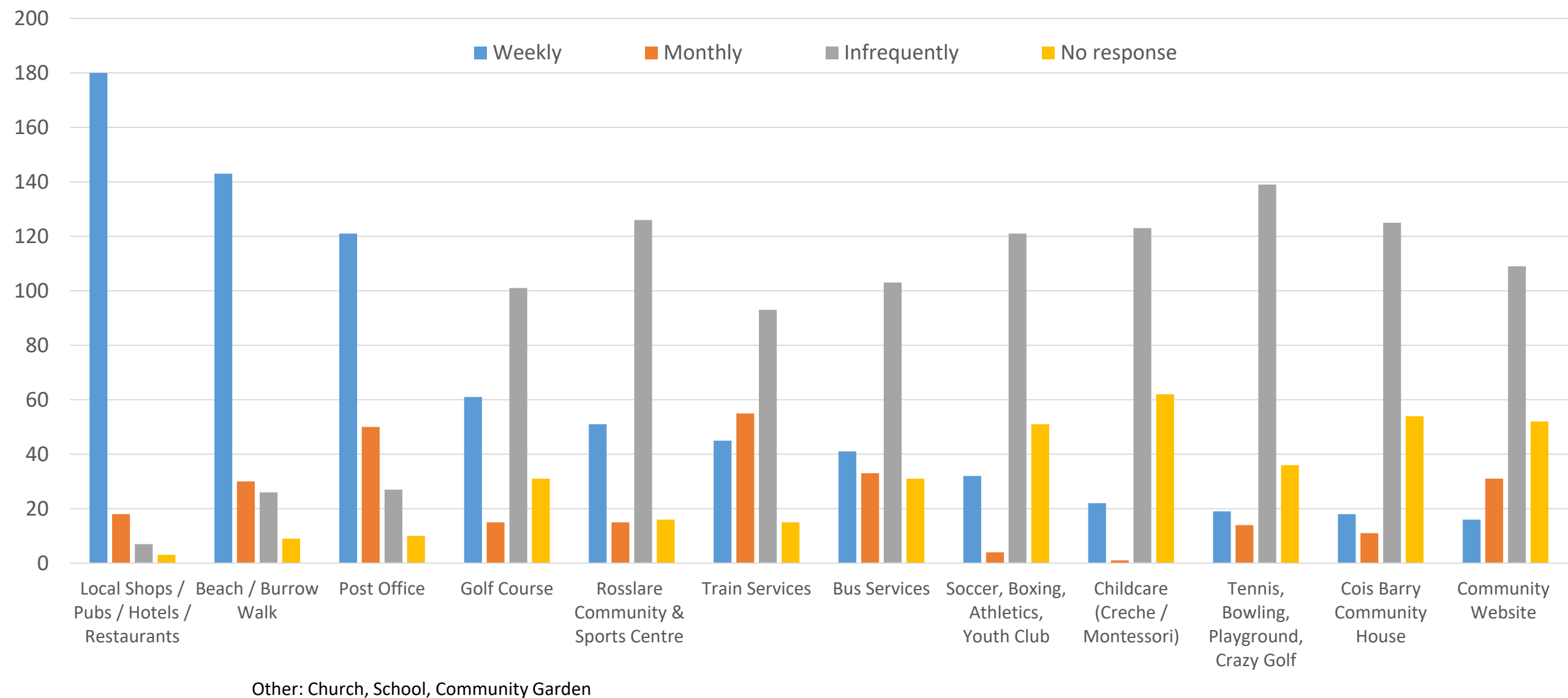
Q1 How often do you use the following facilities and services? (please tick relevant boxes)

	Weekly	Monthly	Infrequently
Rosslare Community & Sports Centre			
Tennis, Bowling, Playground, Crazy Golf			
Member of soccer, boxing, athletics, youth club			
Cois Barry Community House			
Local Shops / Pubs / Hotels / Restaurants			
Post Office			
Beach / Burrow Walk			
Golf Course			
Train Services			
Bus Services			
Childcare (Creche / Montessori)			
Community website: www.rosslareholidayresort.ie			
Other:			

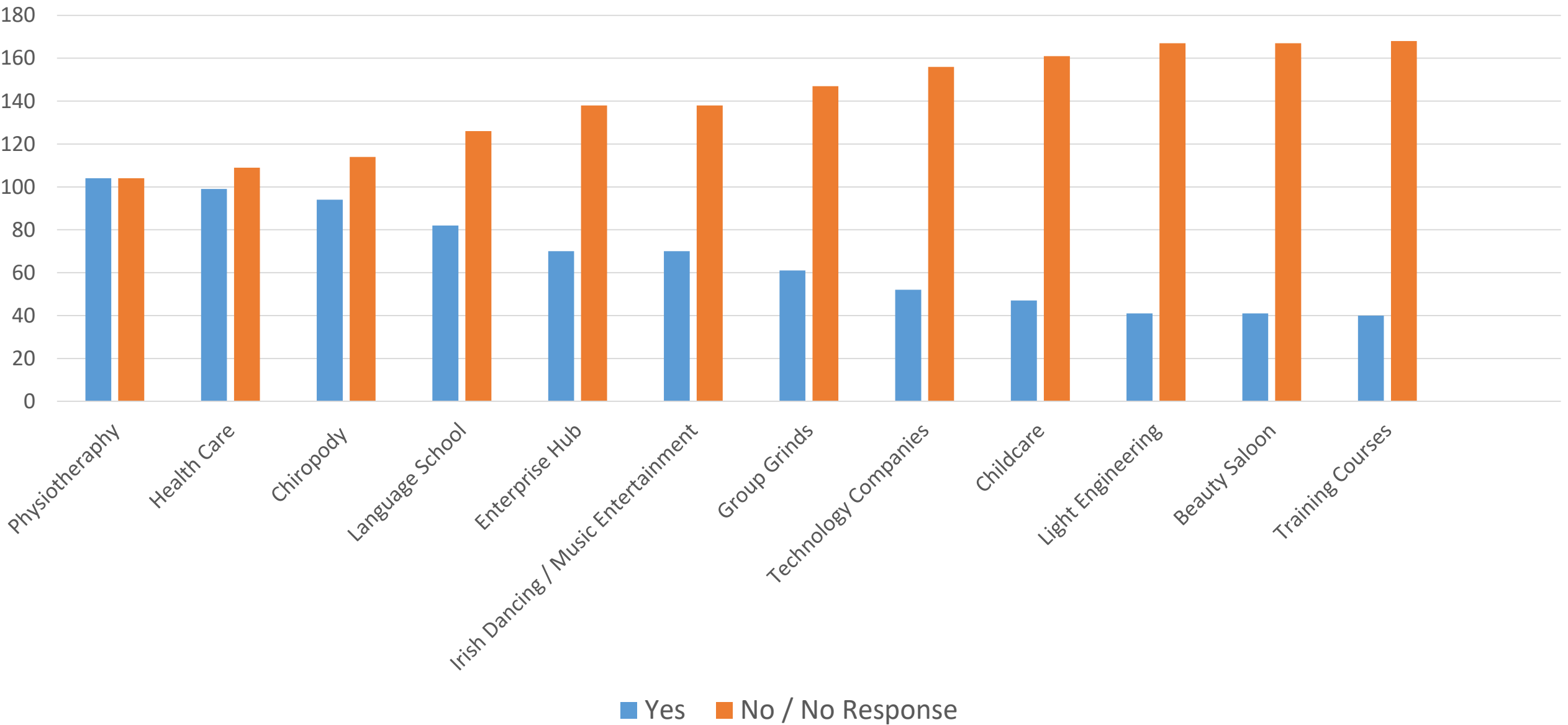
Q2 What opportunities for employment could be developed in this area? (please tick relevant boxes)

Chiropractic		Enterprise Hub	
Physiotherapy		Language School	
Beauty Saloon		Group Grinds	
Childcare		Irish Dancing / Music Entertainment	
Health Care		Training courses – please detail	
Light Engineering		Technology Companies	
Other			

Q1. How often do you use the following facilities?



Q2. What opportunities for employment could be developed in this area?



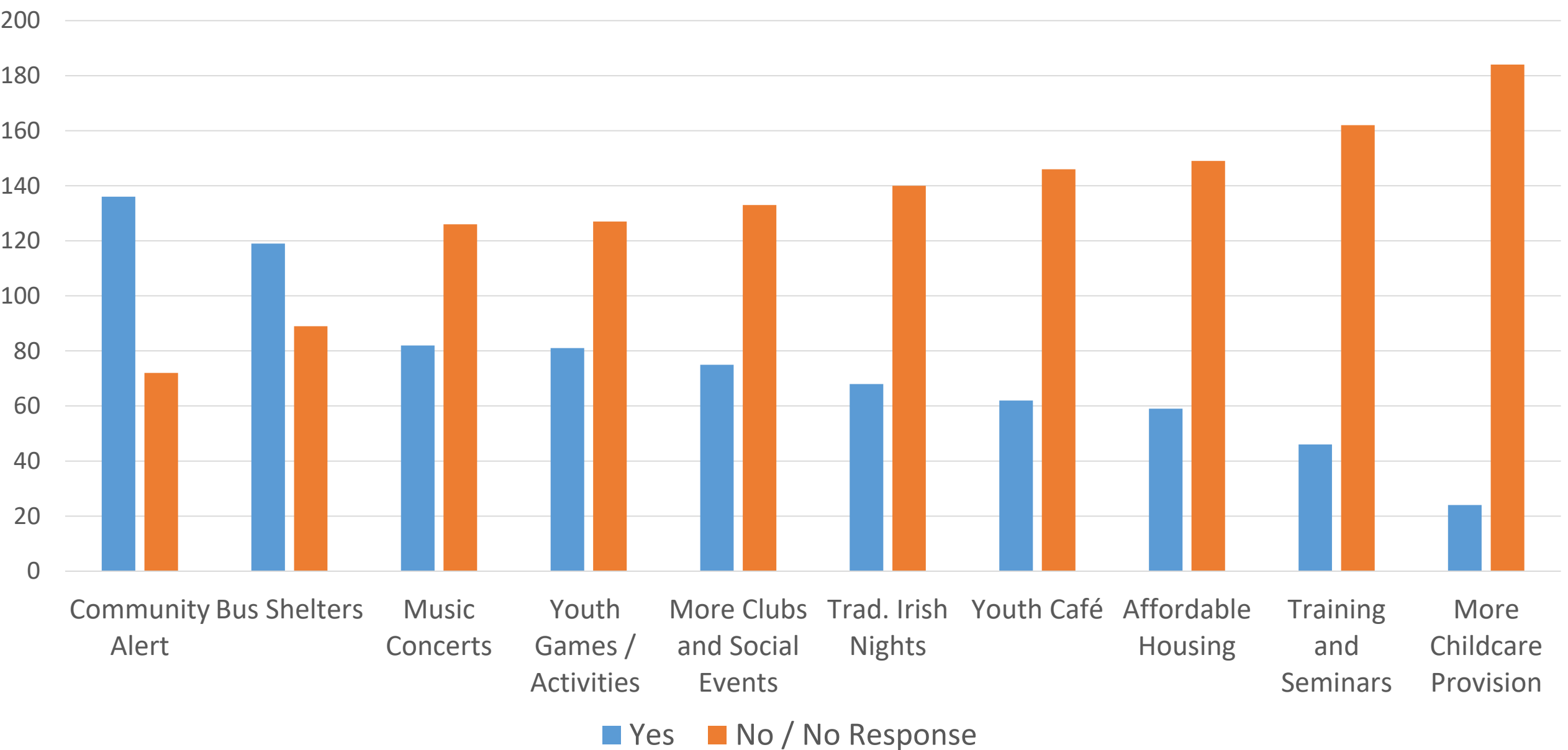
Q2. What opportunities for employment could be developed in this area?

Details of Training Courses Identified by Respondents	
Computing (x3)	Swimming Instructor/First Aid
Training in use of i-phone, laptop, tablet	Youth FAS Scheme
Excel, Word etc.	Cookery
ECDL Training	Secondary School
Training - Env. Studies	Ballet Class
Learn new skills, adult reading and writing	Training Course : First Aid Manual Handling, Lifts at Work etc.
Irish Language Courses	Driving Courses
Part-Time Degree Courses in Relation to WIT	Training Courses for Elderly
Healthy Eating / Cookery Classes	Hospitality Industry, Waitering, Bar, Catering Training
Dance Classes	Training in Customer Care, Personal Development, Writing, Public Speaking, Family Law, Investment, Pensions, Home Care, Proof-Reading
Sign Language	Business Courses and PC Courses
Similar courses to Heritage Park or Kilmore Quay Centre	After School Study

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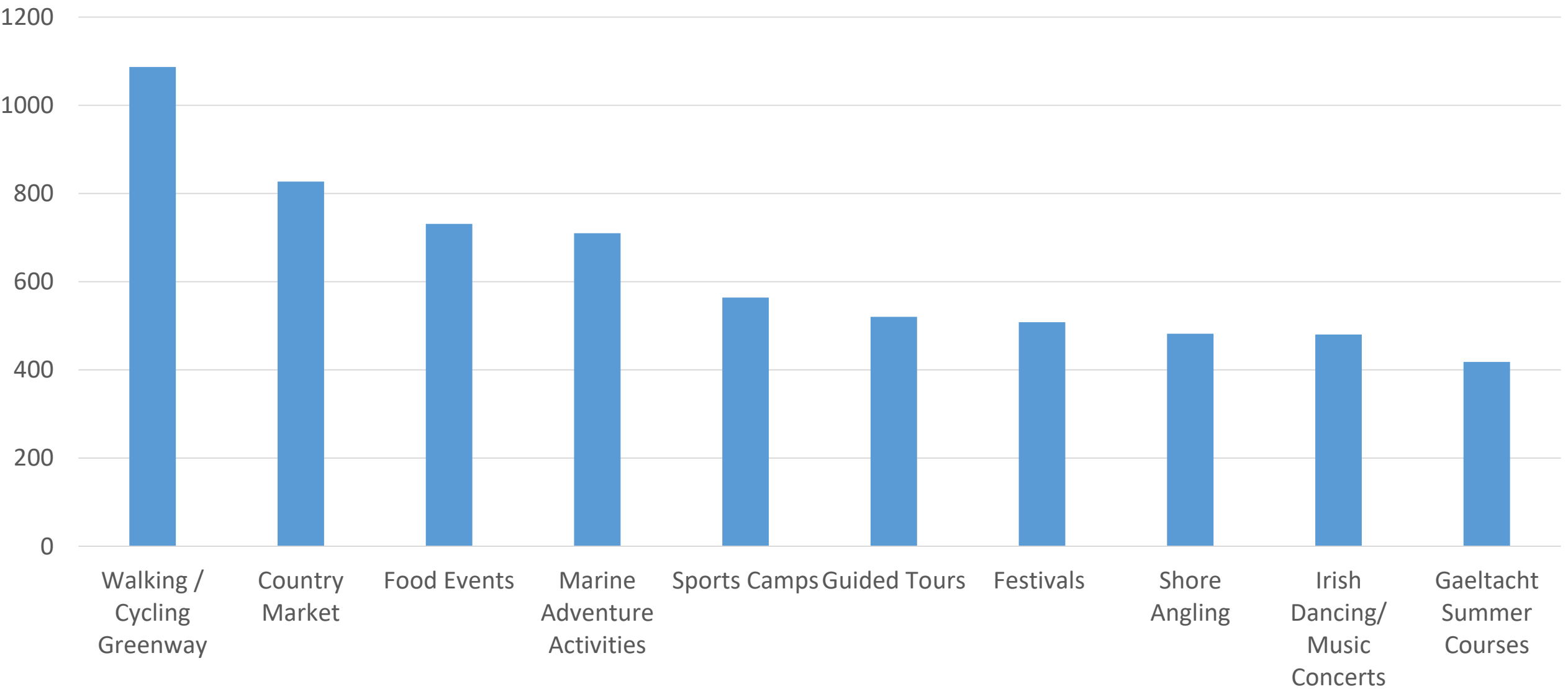
Enterprise Opportunities Identified by Respondents (Other)	
Youth Café, Games Room, Bars, Shops, Restaurants	Mother & Toddler Group
Gym	Road and footpaths urgent up-date maintenance
Bookies	More Taxis
A language school would provide an opportunity for additional income to people who could offer accommodation	Local Tradesman / Builders List on RDA Website / Community Website
Horticulture/ Eco areas	Chiropractor
Community type activities particularly involving children, quiz, dance, sing, recreation, drama	Service is poor - need better travel links
Opening the north end of the beach would double Rosslare's opportunities	Services for the elderly and Night Bus Service from Town as the Local Link Bus timetable should be advertised on media and at bus stops.
Shared Office Space with good internet - co-working very popular. 4G internet long overdue - can anything be done to expedite it? (x2)	Garda Station on regular basis (i.e 4 days a week/ 2 hours each day). Especially in the summer months. Now money has been spent on it.
Day-care Centre	Florist
Camper Van Site	Bicycle Hire Company (x2)
Outdoor Activity	Cycle Tours
Activities for Kids / Teens with Special Needs	Light Manufacturing - Knit Wear
Water Activities	Men's Barber
Men's Barber	Local Musician / DJ

Q3. What community facilities / services do you feel you need?

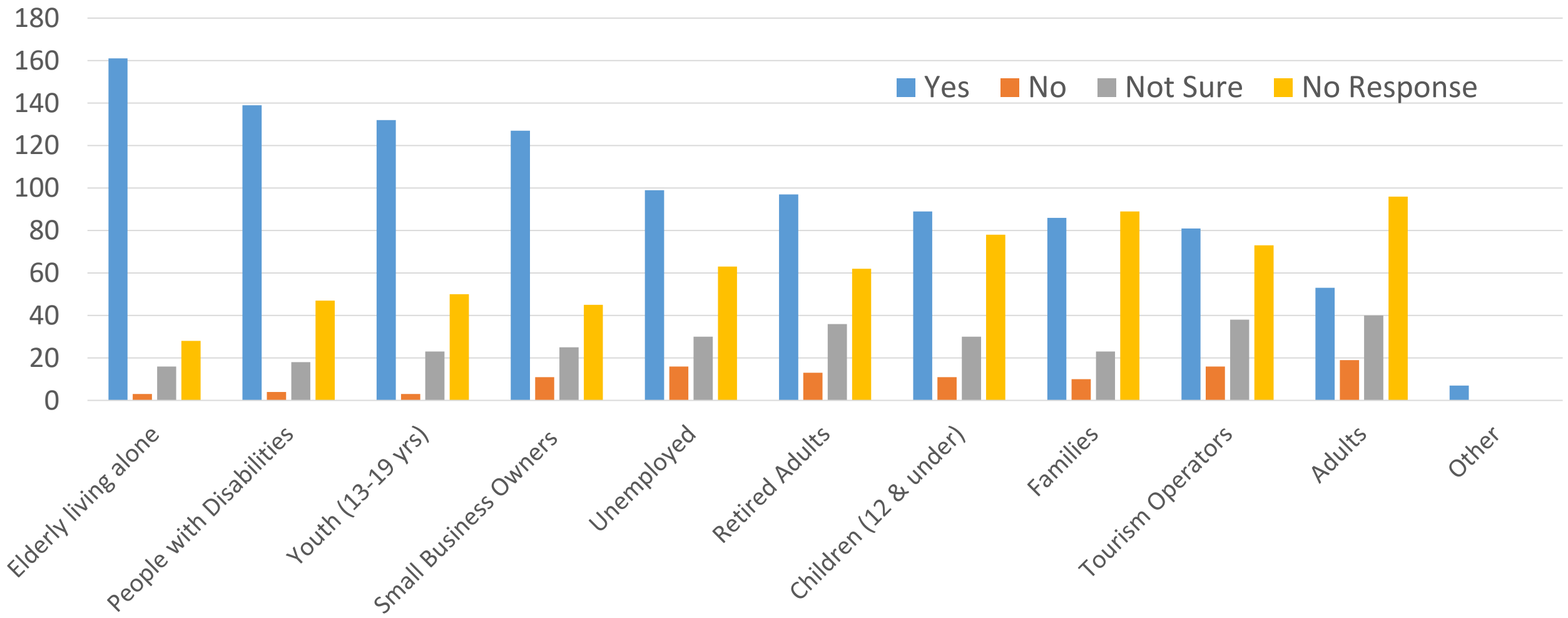


Q4. What additional tourism facilities should be developed?

Ranked Score: not actual number of respondents

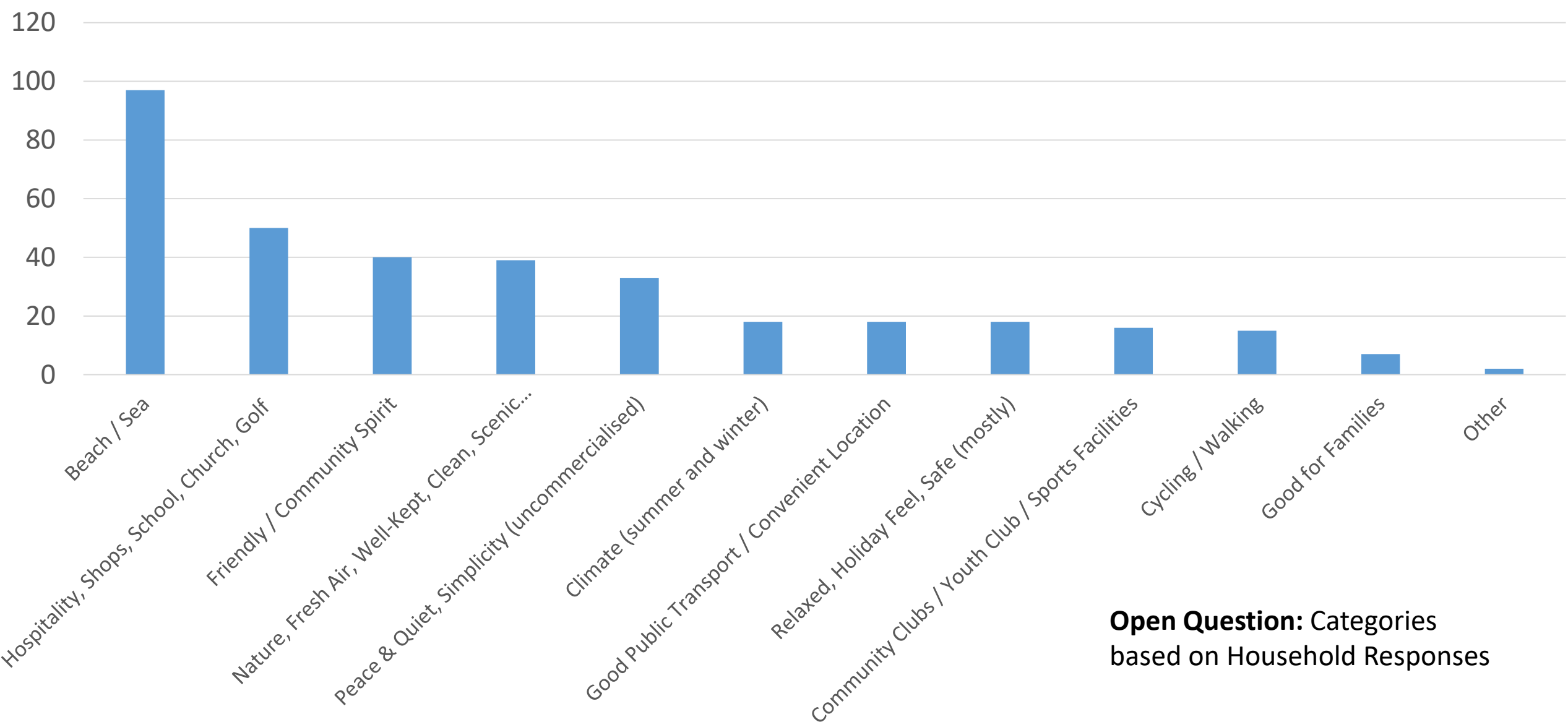


Q5. Which groups require more supports in your community?



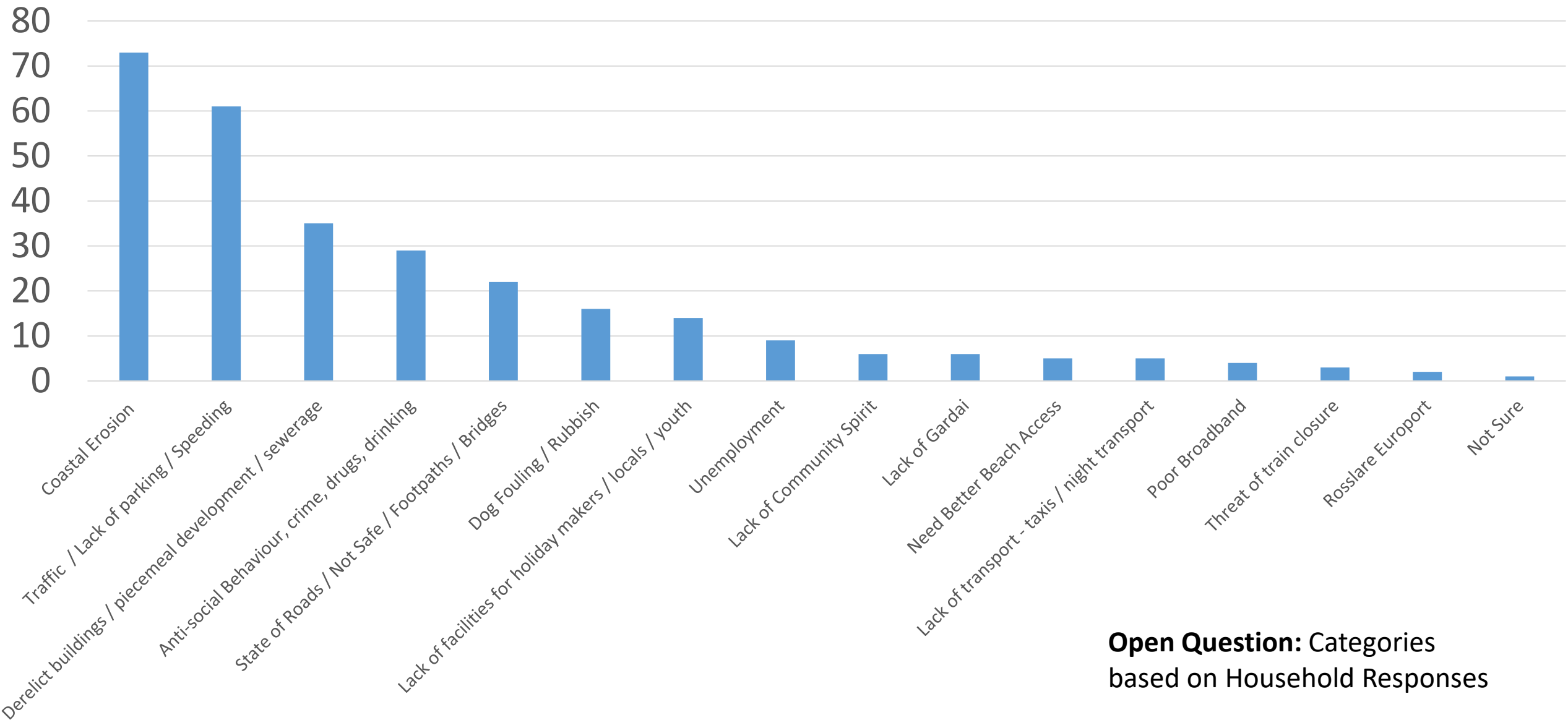
Other: Dog owners; All age groups-especially the younger for Tourism; Activities for adults outside normal working hours; In the estates with large number of holiday homes, it's difficult to make new friends; Pathway / promenade area, accessible to elderly, disabled, baby buggies, with view of area; Single people (not elderly) on their own; Neighbourhood Watch

Q6. What do you like most about Rosslare and its environs?

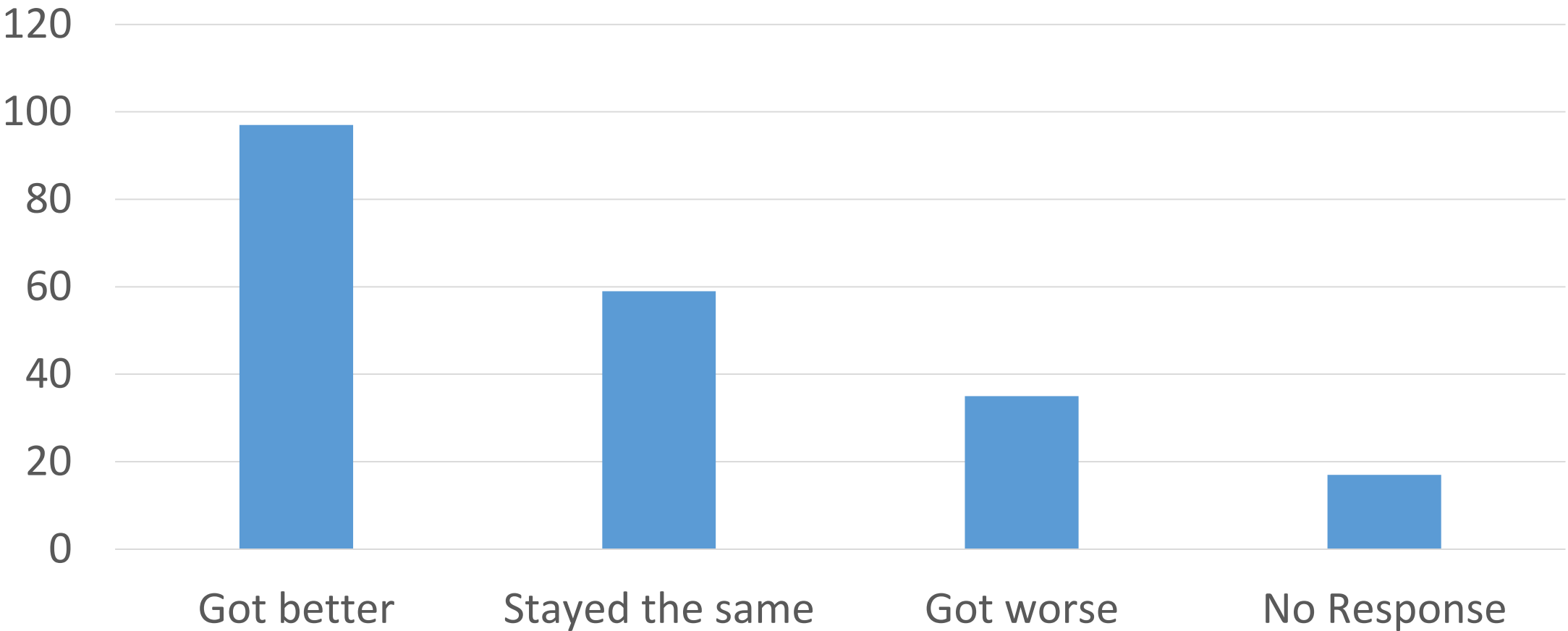


Open Question: Categories based on Household Responses

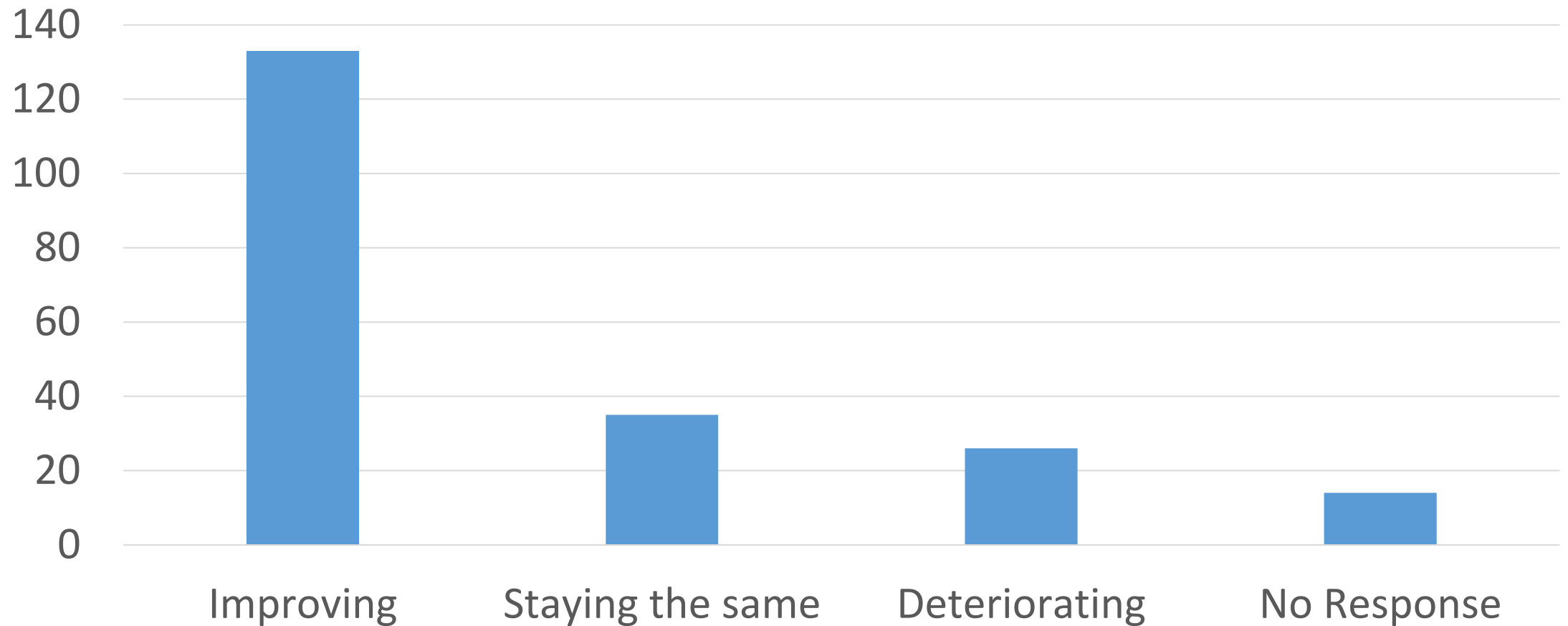
Q7. What are the biggest issues facing Rosslare and its environs at the moment?



Q8. How has life in Rosslare changed since 2010?



Q9. What is your opinion on the future of this area for the next five years?



Q10. What three things would you do in Rosslare to make it better?

First Response: (184 responses)

Tackle coastal erosion (x5)	More parking (x16)
Beach accessibility (x2)	More of a Garda presence (x7)
One way system (x9)	Full time Garda (x2)
One way traffic system in summer (x7)	Footpaths need improving (x2)
Roads need improving (x4)	More footpath around village for safer walks (x2)
Make the church and Community Council more united. Rosslare is a small village. Division doesn't add to this lovely village	Get rid of drug dealers and burglars (x4)
	Put footpath from Grange Bridge to Grange Court
Improve broadband	Tougher local reaction against troublesome residents
Take down carpark restrictions open it up to campervans.	More activities for ages 45-64
More shops, businesses, restaurants, bars	Buy a rock/stone collecting machine for the beach, replace the dangerous breakers before there's an accident
New road in Burrow	Let it develop incrementally - don't force change as it may be a negative
Shops in Tagoat	Ensure Rosslare can accommodate the tourists
Improve rest of roads	Footpaths around the village, cycle paths
More seating around village	Attempt to better co-ordinate public transport
To keep the Dublin - Rosslare train	Cycle route to Wexford
Continue to put footpath throughout the village	Extend rock groynes at southern end of beach
Cut down shrubs in roundabout at Clonmaine	provide parking for day trippers and visitors
improve Strand parking	Place for young people to hang out

Q10. What three things would you do in Rosslare to make it better?

First Response: cont...

Improve transport (evening and night) between Tagoat and Strand Harbour	Proper medical centre
More parking spaces for summer and better traffic management	
Bus shelters at all bus stops for the elderly	Youth café - outreach (homework and social care -organise babysitting etc.)
Try and get some industry / factory in area	Cycle track as part of one way system including a link to Wexford via Woodtown
Camper park	Build in a hurling wall for kids at the soccer pitch
Do more to help the beach be more attractive- stones/coastal erosion etc.	Resurface the Burrow road
Extremely dangerous lack of footpaths, particularly on Grange road	Traffic flow system needs to improve - people parking on footpaths outside Centra and other places
Traffic management, locals to obey double yellow lines and reduce speed	Take the focus off the 2 months of summer
Railway bridges are a major safety problem	Promote beach and marine activities
Cycle lane, make it safe for kids to cycle to school	Traffic management
Parking on one side of Station road only	Community events
Seashore walkway	More events i.e. music, festivals, market
Improve basic infrastructure i.e. roads and beach access	Proper cycle routes
Create employment all year round and not seasonal	Widen the bridge by the train station
Improve traffic (during busy season)	Visual Garda presence during holiday period
CCTV cameras in beach / public areas	Erect road signs to encourage motorists to facilitate pedestrians on the bridges over railway
Control parking, particularly during summer months	Bin on the beach
Stop cars parked practically on footpaths	Improve traffic over bridges
Facilities for disabled and mobility impaired people	Infrastructure, e.g. roads footpaths

Q10. What three things would you do in Rosslare to make it better?

First Response: cont...

Sign indicating Spain, France, Wales on the main beach	4G
Access to more restaurants / bars	Surfaces of roads, footpaths, cycle lanes
Encourage letting of empty houses	Vigorously pursue dog fouling and littering
Community alert system	Improve conditions of roads
Remove or force removal of derelict, dangerous buildings	Better traffic management and more parking areas
Tackle traffic in summertime	Get rid of the monstrosity in the carpark ie new wooden hut
Safety for pedestrians	Winter activities
Build a pedestrian bridge over the railway on the station road. Build it inside the existing bridge on the station side	Safer walking conditions over bridges and paths required
More employment for youth and older people	Build footpaths around the two blocks - fully
Improve traffic management	Erect footbridges over railway
Too late	Get WCC to take over derelict buildings/space for parking and way to Strand
More cycle paths around the village and to Ashfield / Taghat	Coastal walk
Mini festivals e.g. Halloween fair, market, spring, beach, book, food, craft etc	Alternative traffic system in village
More small business	Safe walking paths over the bridges
Make roads safer, cleaner and footpaths too.	Better walking facilities - more paths and street lights
More community events	More permanent housing less holiday homes
Something for teenagers to do instead of littering and hanging around green beside toilets	Less congestion during summer months
Develop Waterford Train line with child friendly train trips	Speed ramps
Car Parking and Traffic control for June/July/August	Discos for teens
More dog dirt bins	The Garda Station should be open at least some of the time
Provide more facilities/entertainment	Resurface the Burrow road
More facilities for small children eg. Play therapy etc	

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First Response: cont...

Take down the shed in the car park (dangerous)	Walking and cycling are growing in popularity
Traffic/parking management in summer	Have more car parking sites and disallow parking in the village
More for young adults	Repair and renew railway bridge
Traffic management	Develop recycling centre
Annual festival to engage all locals	More facilities along the beach/coastline
Tackle anti-social behaviour	Improve train service
Second carpark with access to beach	Install footpaths on sli na slainte (eg end of Strand road)
More public lighting on roads	Stop building summer / holiday homes
Make sure that elderly are checked on regularly	Promote cycling track
Improve footpaths on station road	Greenway
Car parking and education of people in how to park	More organised activities
More open communication among groups	

Q10. What three things would you do in Rosslare to make it better?

Second Response: (167 responses)

More car parking (x13)	Beach promenade (x4)
Progress Greenway to Wexford and Rosslare Harbour (x7)	pathway / promenade area, accessible to elderly, disabled, baby buggies, with view of area.
Garda presence control anti social behaviour	improve pathways for walking / cycling
More Garda involvement (x4)	Put white line on bridge near Bay Pub
Have Gardai present at all times	Pedestrian crossing in village
Make Garda presence better and more obvious (x2)	Address railway bridges and make safer for pedestrians, cyclists and cars
That Garda go around and observe	Work on bridge (by bay) to enhance safety
Easier access to beach via steps	Walkway, cycle path - Tagoat to Rosslare
More bins for dog dirt along Grange road	Ease traffic congestion at Centra by fixing bollards on the pavement from Centra to Kelly's
Pedestrian crossing in village	Clamp down on uninsured drivers
Fine dog owners who don't pick up poo	Would like to see all restaurants open all year round
Cut out anti social behaviour	Repair the roads and footpaths
More activities aimed at special needs children	Footpath on Station road bridge
Provision of (and regular emptying) of litter bins	tackle issue of dog fouling footpaths
Seasonal one way traffic and parking shuttle (seasonal)	work to prevent further coastal erosion
Replace pavements in core areas, where people use them	put traffic lights on the bridges
No parking on pavement	provision of additional pathways where required
Tackle the derelict buildings	Sustainable Holiday Homes relative to residential homes limited to 50% of number of residential homes. (Sustainable Community planning should of started in 1970)
No more estates being built	More affordable housing
Encourage and welcome all tourists including camper vans	Ensure lighting is consistently in working order

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Second Response: cont...

Keeping village clean and free of rubbish	Litter warden
Have the Council clean the areas at least once a week	Traffic congestion in Summer months
Good Neighbouring	One way system through Rosslare in summer months (x2)
More employment opportunities	Welcome campers etc
Community film night	Tackle crime in Rosslare
Better beach access	Age friendly
Permanent traffic cones in the summer	Keep dogs off the beach and enforce fines for dog fouling beach and footpaths
Traffic issues / street lighting / footpath	One way system for cars (x2)
More focus on locals	If not double yellow lines one side station road
Drama group	Remove eyesores and dangerous buildings
Repair beach	More community events
Access to beach from Rosehill	Change the traffic
Create an understanding that Rosslare has a great wealth divide and the perception that it is a town of great wealth. Those that don't have it not seen	Manage unsociable behaviour/littering - green area by public toilets
More flower boxes	Borrow big opportunities to create something special
Condition of roads to be improved including bridges	Encourage young people to become more active in community
Bus Shelter in Tagoat	More recreational facilities for teenagers eg. Skatepark and youthcafe
Fine people who park their cars on footpath	Scout group for youth
Remove that eyesore of the hut in the carpark	Rates holiday to encourage more local business
Another playground closer to centre of village	NB - Open the glorious sandy end of the beach from centre down
Facilities open running late in evenings, stop anti-social behaviour	Promote cycling in the village (more places to lock bikes)
Control litter - proper planning	Ensure Rosslare has enough restaurants
More pedestrian / cyclist friendly	Better roads
Places for young people to meet and not get in trouble	Skate Park
Better traffic management/bicycle path	Coastal protection (x2)
Create one way traffic system from coast to tides	Re-establishment / re- enforcement of depleted wooden beach groynes

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Second Response: cont...

Invest in coastal protection to avoid major damage to golf course	Road ramps (x2)
Give Rosslare back to its community not tourists	Build a jetty/slipway
speed ramps, outskirts and village	Put speed ramps outside Cluain Aoibhinn
Have unsightly derelict buildings and over grown sites cleaned up.	Start coastal erosion prevention (Minister) and put more sand on the beach
Education for visitors on correct road walking	More community alerts
Slow down traffic	More restaurants
More rubbish bins	Make jobs for the unemployed
Relocation of shed in carpark to a safer area of the car park	Develop vacant buildings
Five a side adult football	Parking restrictions on Station road
Make playground free all year round	Build full roundabout at Grange Road / Station road
New public toilets	Better traffic and parking management
Upgrading of broadband	Footpaths - parking
Walkway	Outdoor free gym equipment like in Dublin, Galway
Extra facilities for that should attract visitors	Address Environmental conservation
Festivals/ food events	Run darkness into light walk
Install Foothpath/walking bridges over Railway areas	Cycle tracks
Street lighting	Pavement and resurfacing Burrow Road.
Running trail	Resurface roads / traffic control
There are few taxis, difficult to get one	Beach maintenance
Help with Rosslare Tidy Towns	Import more sand to the beach or remove stones
Put lights on Grange Bridge	More regular information on what's happening
Speed ramps on roads especially Grange road	Cycle/walk route to Rosslare Port
During the summer months as they have in Co. Waterford	

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Third Response: (141 responses)

More Garda presence (x6)	More parking (x7)
See more Gardai walking the streets and driving patrols	Improve roads and footpaths (no footpath at end of Grange road, near Coast hotel, extremely dangerous)
One way traffic system - May-Sept	General goods / hardware store
Public swimming pool (affordable)	Put a path down Burrow road to do up area where ruins of old Church are
Clean beach (x2)	
Make more people aware of the drug abuse problems in the area	More activities (not incl. sports) for teens
Youth Loitering	Playground (safe) in Tagoat
Insure dog owners pick up after their pets	Foreign language school-teaching English
Walking/cycling greenway	More information on local history
Invest in a mini-bus to take the elderly on day trips and outings ie shops / post office	Dogs to be on leads at all times
Fix roads and put in paths on station road	More people clean up after their dogs (x2)
Renovation of abandoned houses on Strand and Station Road	Win the Tidy small Town
Cliff walk development / promenade / greenway	Play Areas
Provide better pedestrian access to beach/shore. Do not block existing Access	Litter control
More bins	Development of open community space
People coming out of pubs with drink	Keep palm trees / bushes at sand dunes more shrubs / trees for wildlife around Rosslare
More bus services	Clean up or knock down derelict buildings
Encourage Wexford County Council to be more vigilant of planning applications that destroy a traditional village - please stop modern buildings.	Derelict houses especially one at top of Duggais Lane an eyesore
More sunshine	Litter wardens for fast food premises etc
Community choir	Tackle drug abuse in Rosslare

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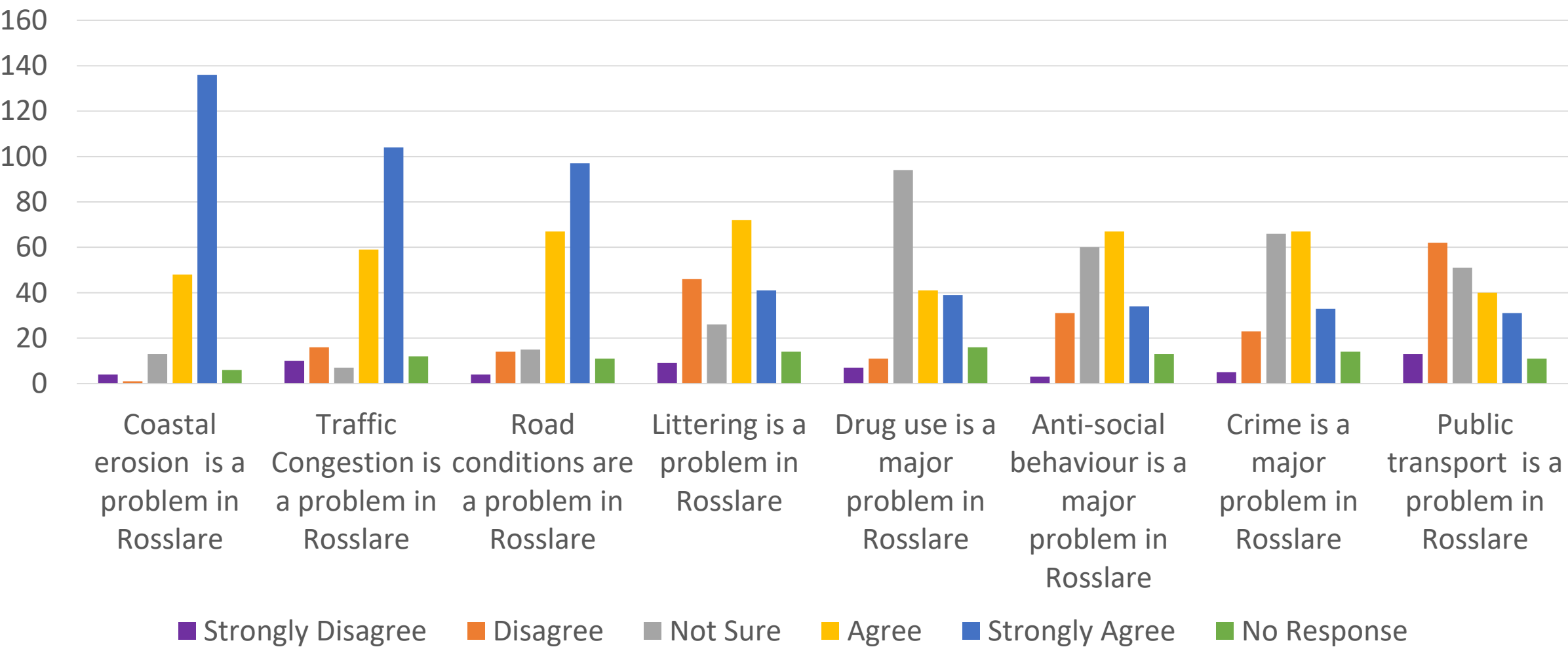
Coastal erosion to be addressed and cliff protection	Dog bins up and down village for waste.
Traffic management during summer	Urge Wexford County Council to resurface roads
Regular youth (monthly gatherings)	Utilise the Grove as a resource / nature reserve
Roads	Build slipway to allow boat owners to access water
Ticket machine for longer stays	See more local employment and services
Less stones on parts of beach	Footpaths on outskirts i.e. road from Wexford
Better road from golf club to the end of Rosslare (Burrow Road)	More societies, clubs
Give grants to older people for house repairs	Footbridges and traffic signals required at the three bridges
More events throughout year- a lot of untapped potential arriving in harbour do not stay in area. They move on to other areas in Ireland.	Clean up such as derelict buildings, abandoned building sites and provide more welcoming and Directional signage and plaques (WCC, local people and business)
Upgrade broadband speed	Better policing against break ins
Dublin bus having a stop in the village	Cross section of residents and holiday home owners to contribute to 5 year plan
Deal with traffic flow problems during holiday season	Mask overgrown derelict sites / buildings
More trains, bring back the late train from Dublin Monday to Friday	Promote activities for older teenagers
Look after locals as we do tourists	Beach promenade / slatted walkway on beach
Better communication and interaction between public and private bodies and with people living in Rosslare	Recycling of garden waste/compost
Cycle path to Wexford	Who would need catering and bike hire suppliers
Improved beach care /sand/cleaning	More waste bins
Place for arts and crafts	Reduce speed limits all around
Be welcoming and friendly to visitors and residents	One way road system
Some more restaurants, very limited outside the 2 hotels	Make Burrow road passable in wet weather
No more holiday home builds or caravan parks	Carparking facilities / maybe compulsory order on available land
More age specific community activity	Better management of bins on beach area during holiday season. Presence of dog warden and Implementation of penalties - particularly on beach
Neighbourhood watch - check on people living alone	More beach

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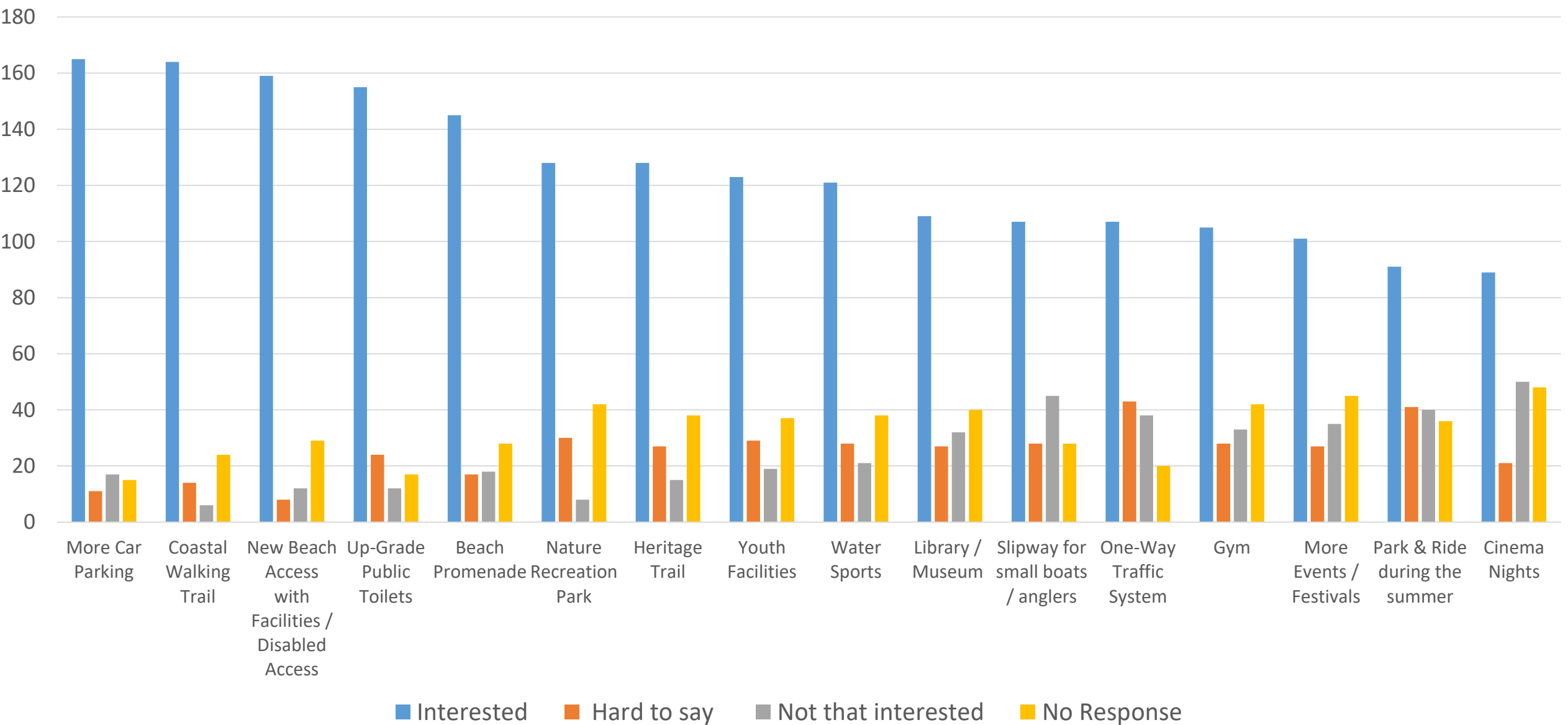
Third Response: cont...

Build trail Rosslare to Wexford via slob	Traffic calming - Speed bumps on certain roads
Foothpaths around whole village (and ideally cycle paths)	Neighbourhood Watch
Make it safer for children to cycle around village (including to / from school)	No takeaway restaurants
Deal with erosion and beach rubbish	Create social gatherings to improve integration and communication
Improve summer parking	Happy hours 6-7 hotels, restaurants and bars
More teenage events	Defibrillator in accessible public place near public car park at Tides
No parking outside community centre	Lighting
Failing above easy walking access over groynes	Secondary school
Derelict properties made safe	Have musical concerts in park
Beach needs clearing for tourists	Improve retraining locally via community services
Better integration among local community groups	Reduce amount of dog poo on paths
Remove wooden fences around bottle banks - you can only get to 1 half now	Cut out dog fouling
Less bureaucracy in local development. More autonomy and more responsibility	Greenway link to wexford via southslobs
Prohibit street parking in village core	Control parking in areas - proper planning
Not place all social housing in single location - should be integrated throughout village	Cycle lanes
Cycle lanes/Forest Walk	More cyclist friendly
Traffic control / parking facilities	Improve public transport - train and bus
CCTV on public area i.e. public carpark and green area	Install more beach access points
Promote community alert	Protect from coastal erosion

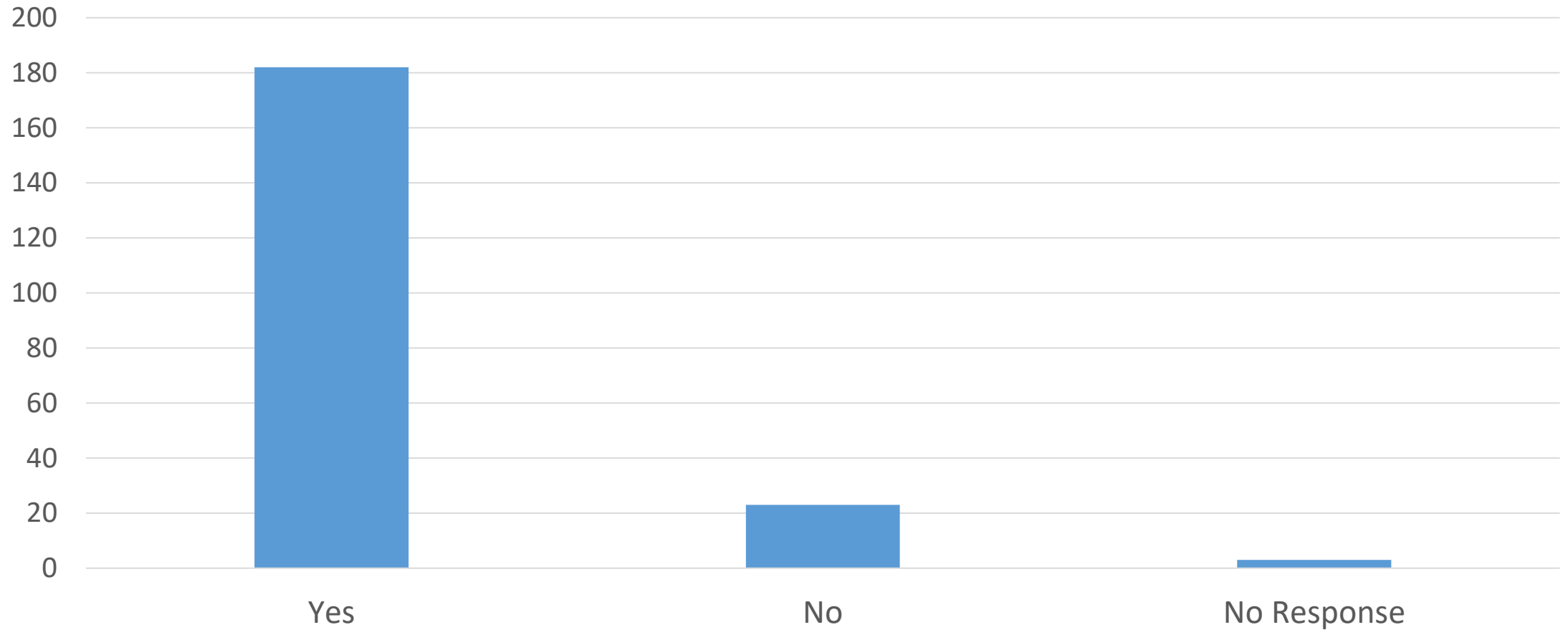
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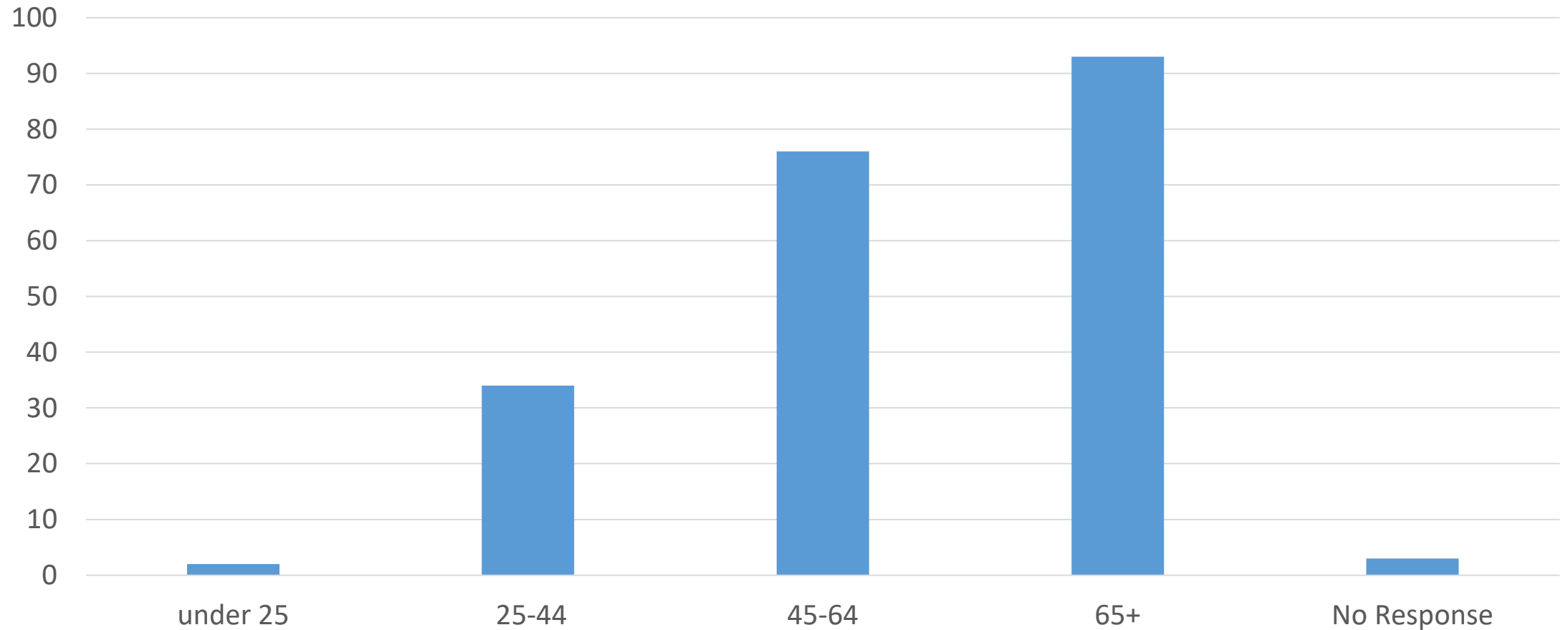
Q12. Please indicate your opinions on the following possible initiatives?



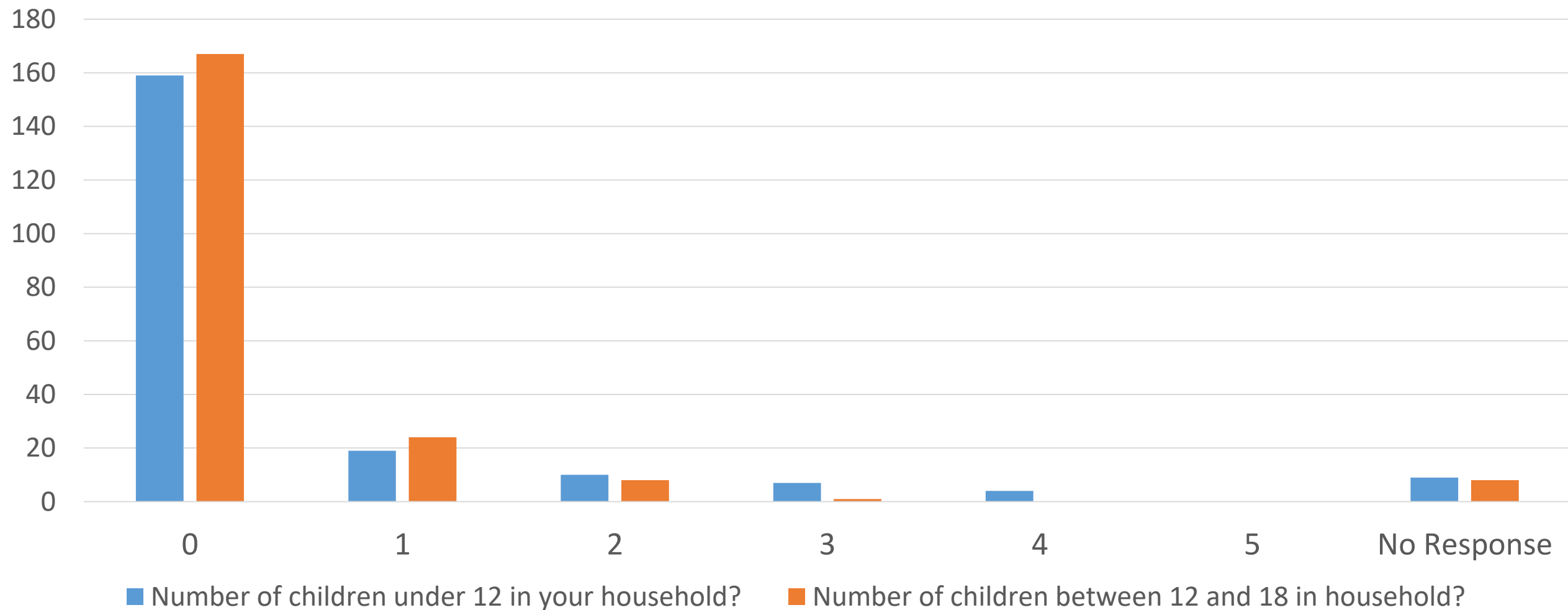
Q13. Do you reside full time in the area?



Q14. Age Profile of Respondent



Q15. Number of children in your household?



Q16. Occupation Status?

