



MINUTES

Special Meeting

Friday, 23 April 2021

10.00am

Council Chambers, 9 Pelican Street, Tewantin

**Crs Clare Stewart (Chair), Karen Finzel, Joe Jurisevic, Amelia Lorentson,
Brian Stockwell, Tom Wegener, Frank Wilkie**

“Noosa Shire – different by nature”

PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of the Special Meeting was to consider the 2021-22 Noosa Council Budget Process - Consultation Feedback.

1 ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES**COUNCILLORS**

Councillor C Stewart, Mayor
Councillor K Finzel
Councillor J Jurisevic
Councillor A Lorentson
Councillor B Stockwell
Councillor T Wegener
Councillor F Wilkie

EXECUTIVE

B de Chastel, Chief Executive Officer
M Shave, Director Corporate Services
A Dow, Acting Director Environment & Sustainable Development
D Iezzi, Director Executive Services
C Eldridge, Acting Director Infrastructure Services

APOLOGIES

Nil.

The meeting commenced at 10.01am.

2 REPORTS**Council Resolution**

Moved: Cr Stewart
Seconded: Cr Jurisevic

That the operation of the Standing Orders or any relevant provision thereof be suspended to allow Council to receive a presentation from the Director Corporate Services in relation to agenda item 1.

Carried unanimously.

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr Stewart
Seconded: Cr Jurisevic

That Standing Orders be resumed.

Carried unanimously.

1 2021/22 NOOSA COUNCIL BUDGET PROCESS CONSULTATION FEEDBACK

The following material was presented to the meeting in relation to this item:

- *Director Corporate Services – PowerPoint presentation – refer to Attachment 1*

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr Stewart

Seconded: Cr Jurisevic

That Council note the report by the Director Corporate Services to the Special Meeting dated 23 April 2021 regarding the 2021/22 budget process community consultation outcomes and note that Councillors will consider the feedback received during the continuing development of the 2021/22 Council budget.

Carried unanimously.

3 MEETING CLOSURE

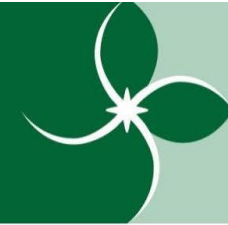
The meeting closed at 11.10am.



2021/22 NOOSA COUNCIL BUDGET PROCESS CONSULTATION FEEDBACK

23 April 2021

Engagement Approach



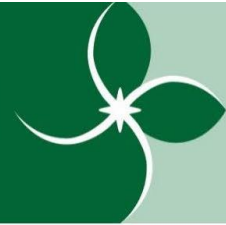
- **Inaugural** budget engagement process commenced
- A **number of channels** offered to elicit community feedback regarding priorities
- The **engagement approach** has involved the following:

Engagement Approach



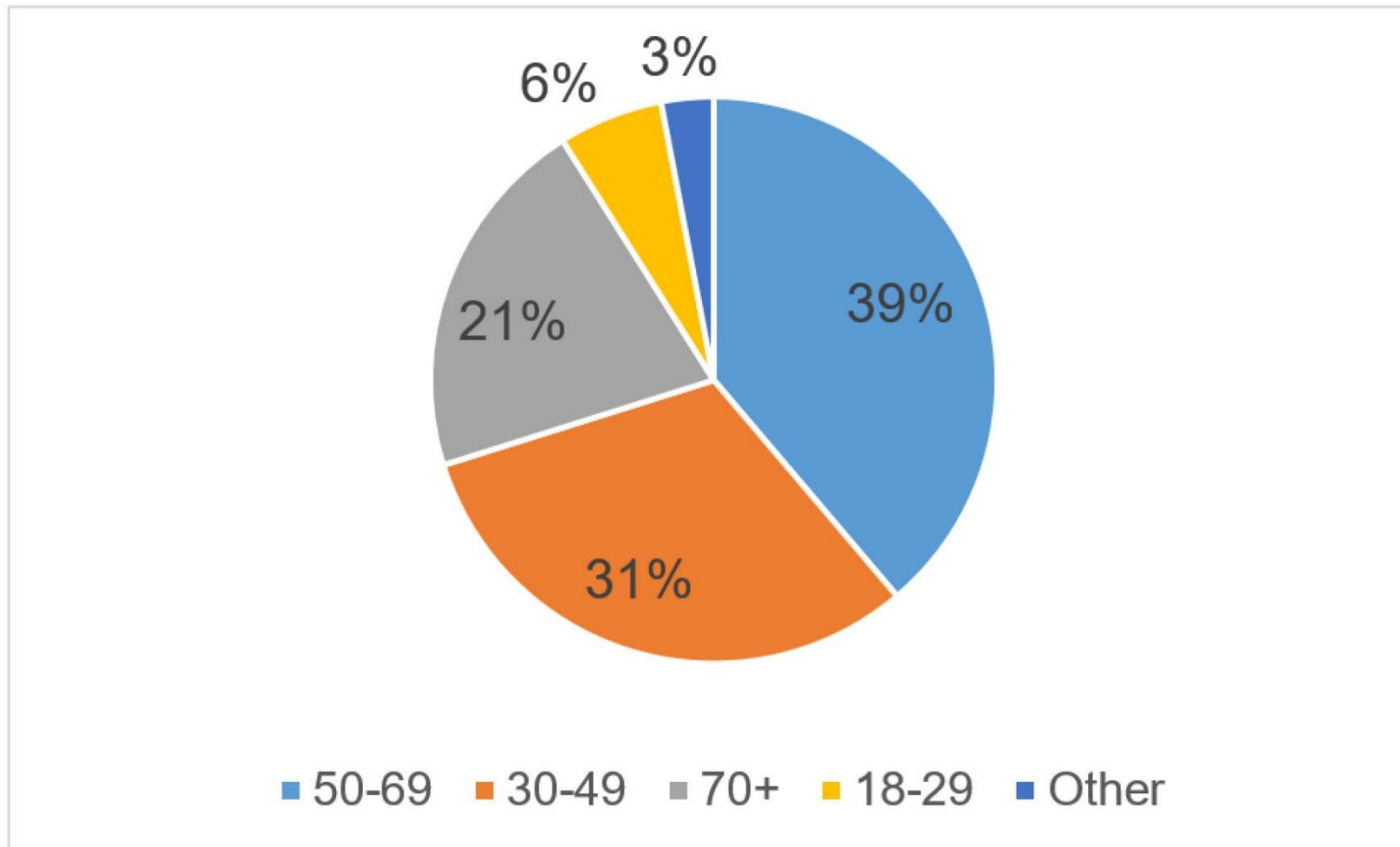
- **General communication** of the process
- **Your Say Noosa** budget tile on Council's website
- Balance Your Noosa Council Operating Budget **participation tool**
- Encouraging **general submissions** via Your Say webpage via ideas, and also via email
- Publishing of Council's **10 year capital plan** for feedback
- **Face to face** sessions with Councillors

Balance the Budget Participation Tool

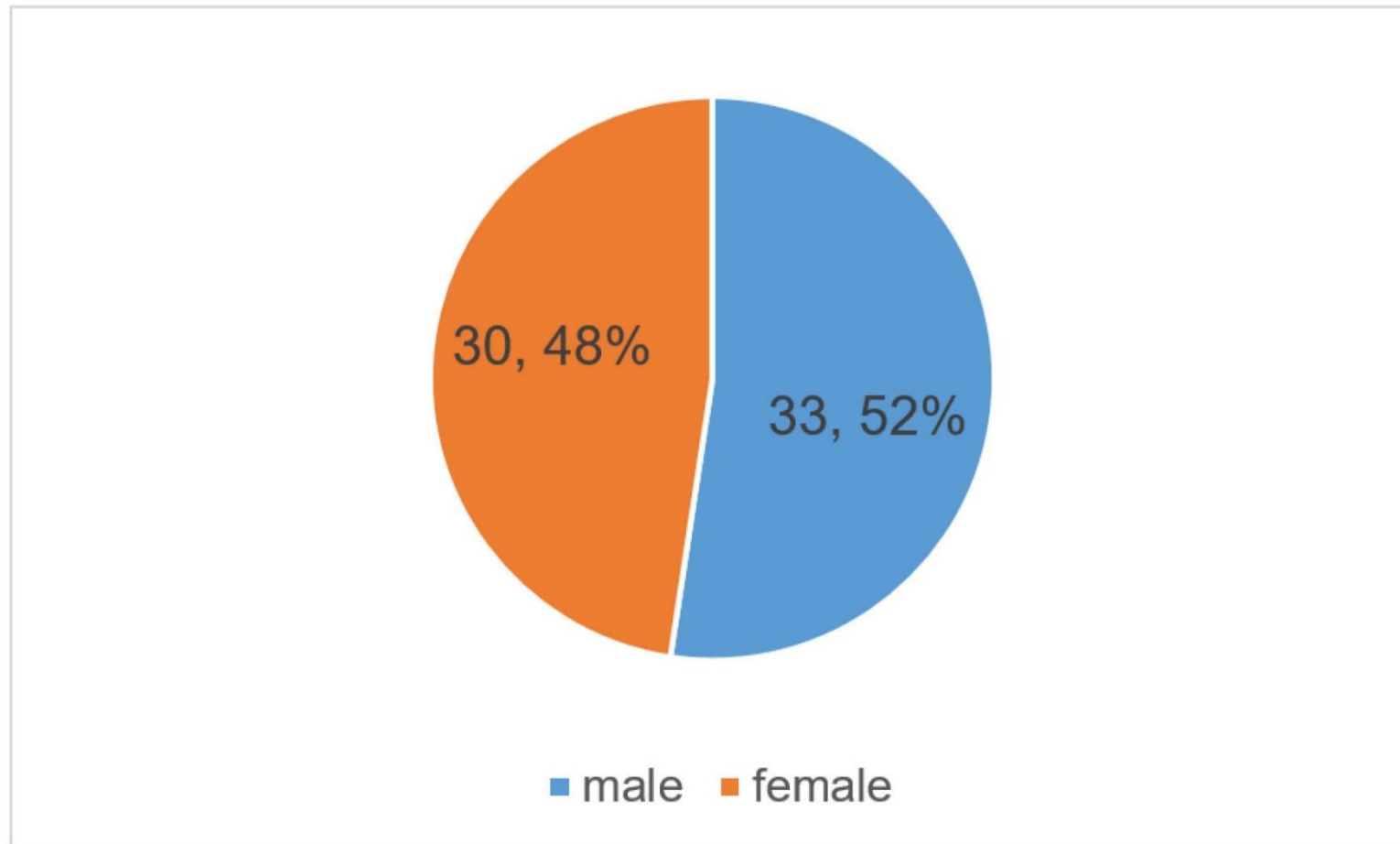
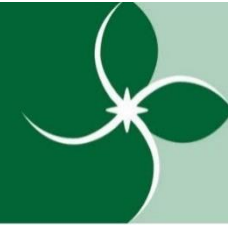


- Budget tool available for all of March
- 547 webpage page views,
- Average webpage time 7 minutes 24 seconds
- 67 submissions
- Activity levels considered positive by Bang the Table
- Demographic/other data as follows:

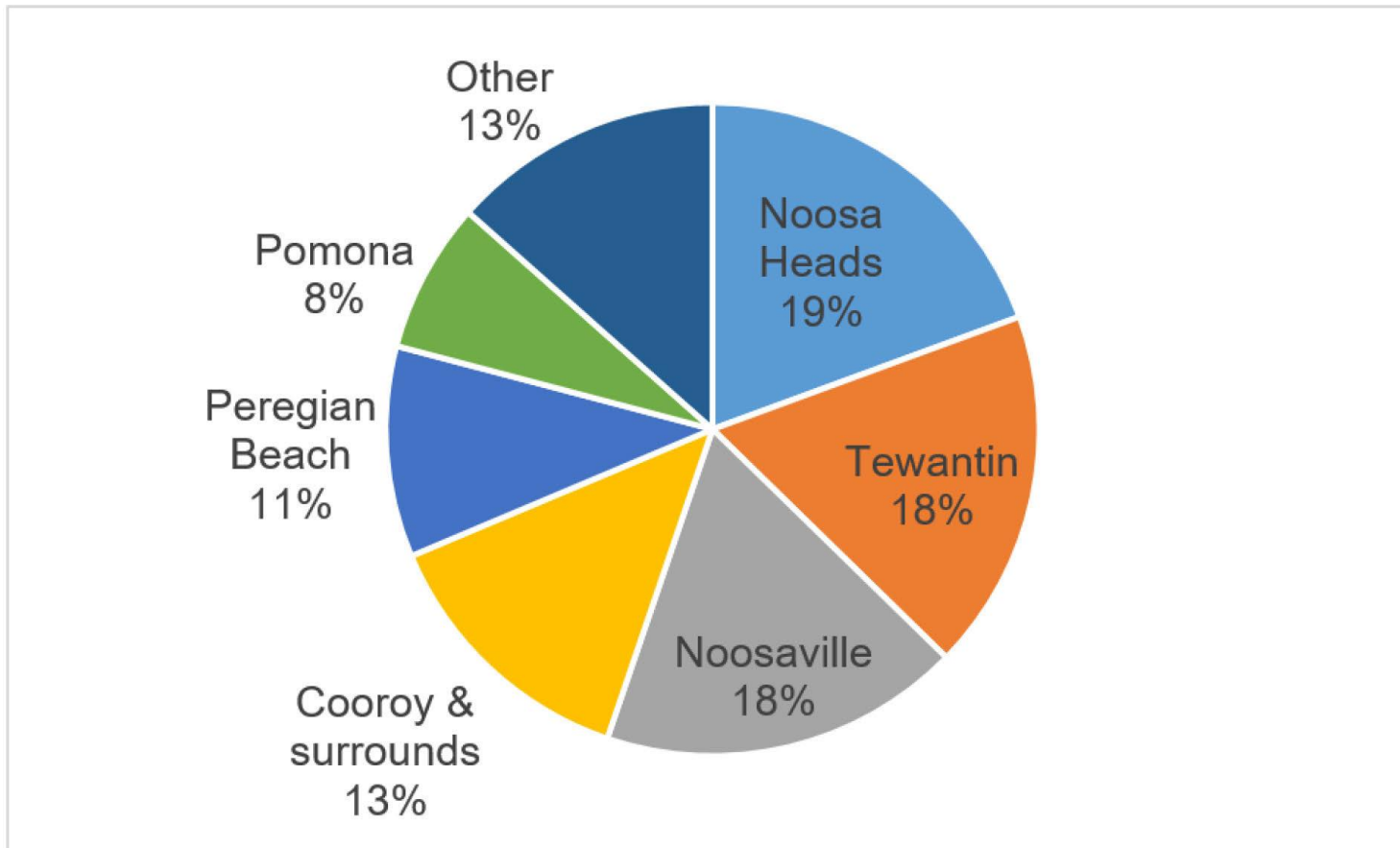
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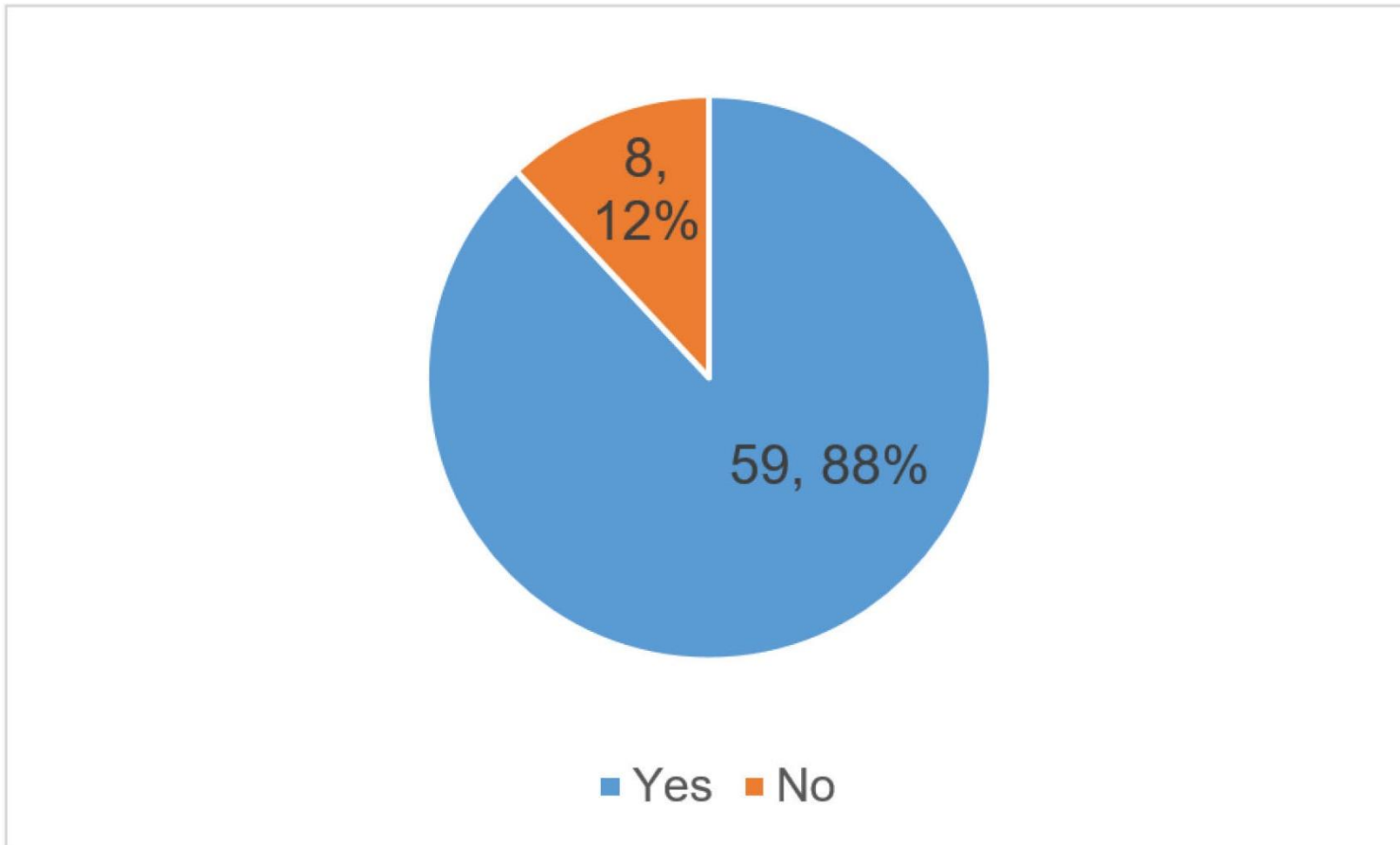
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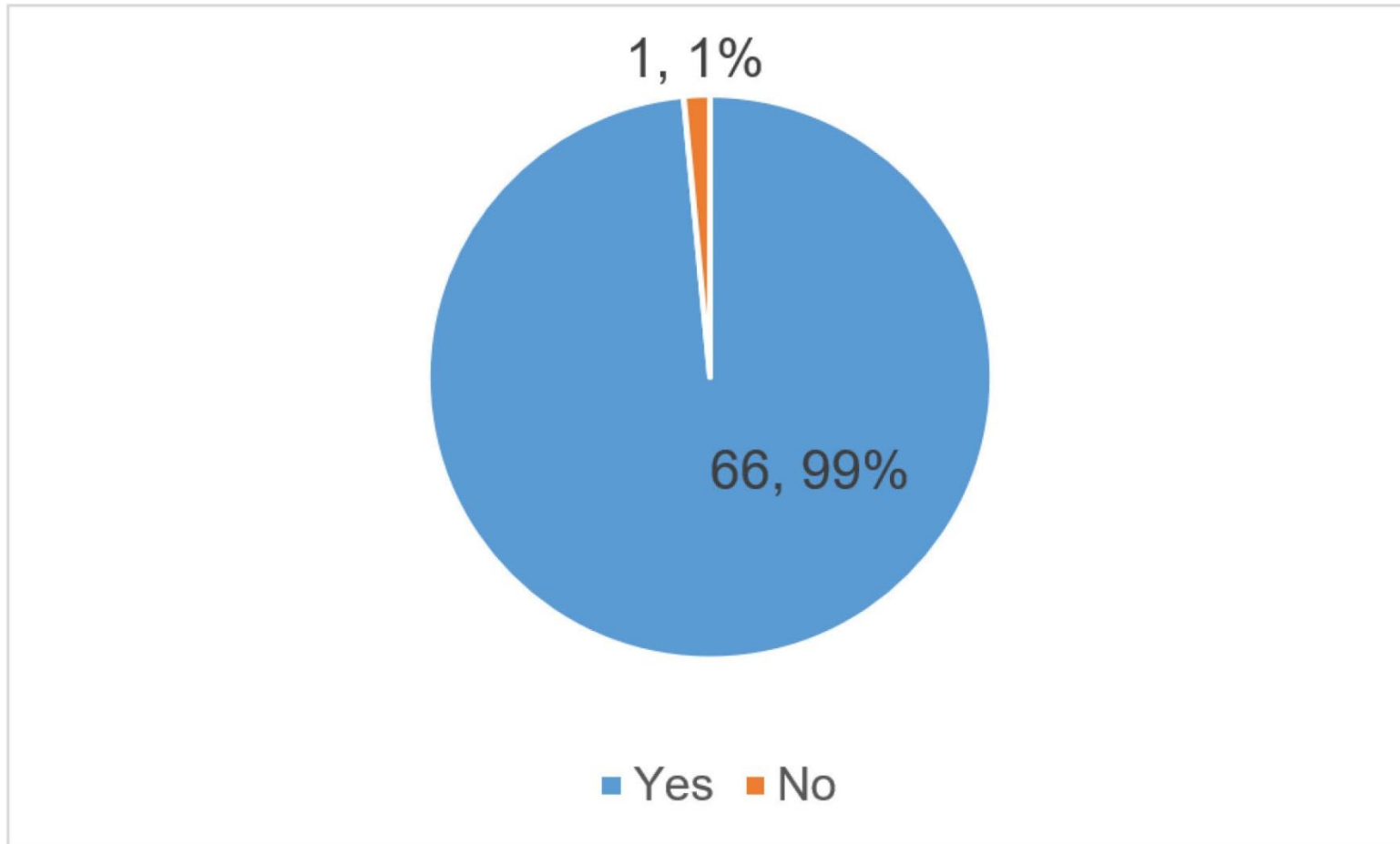
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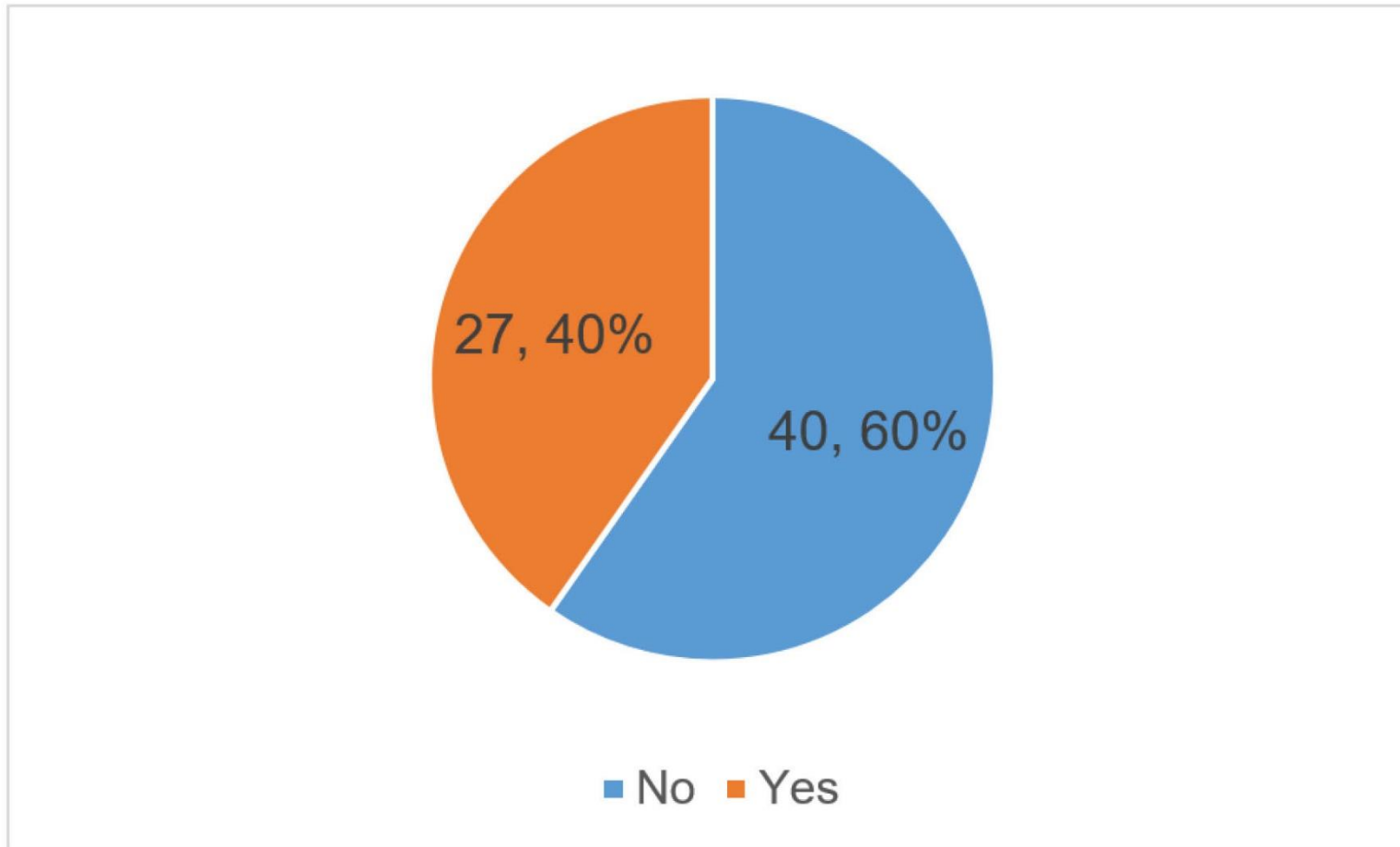
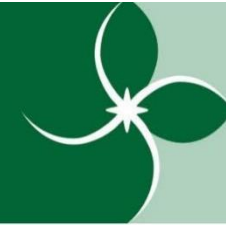
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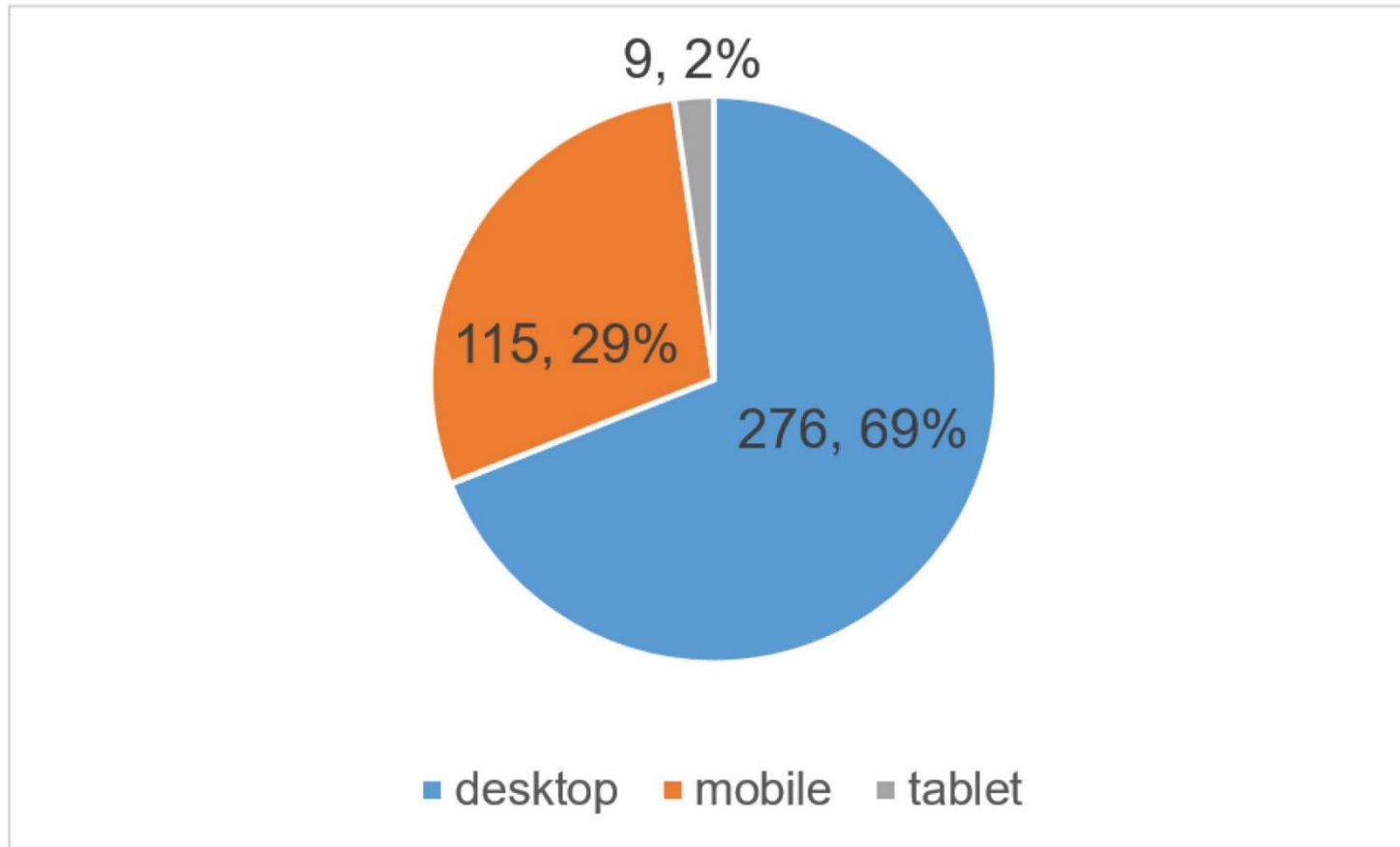
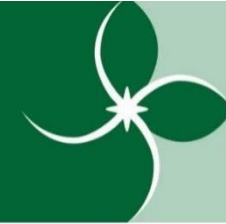
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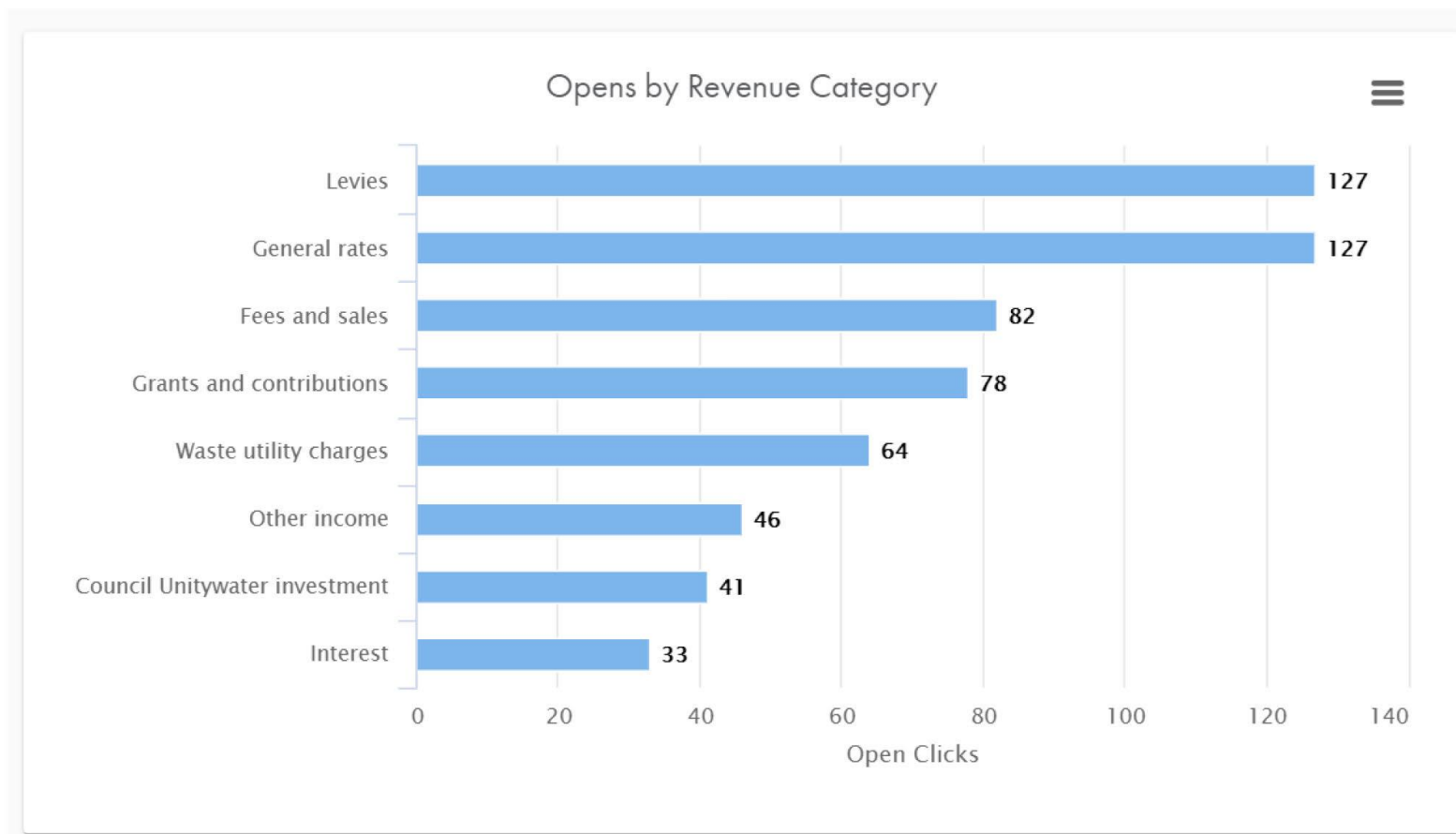
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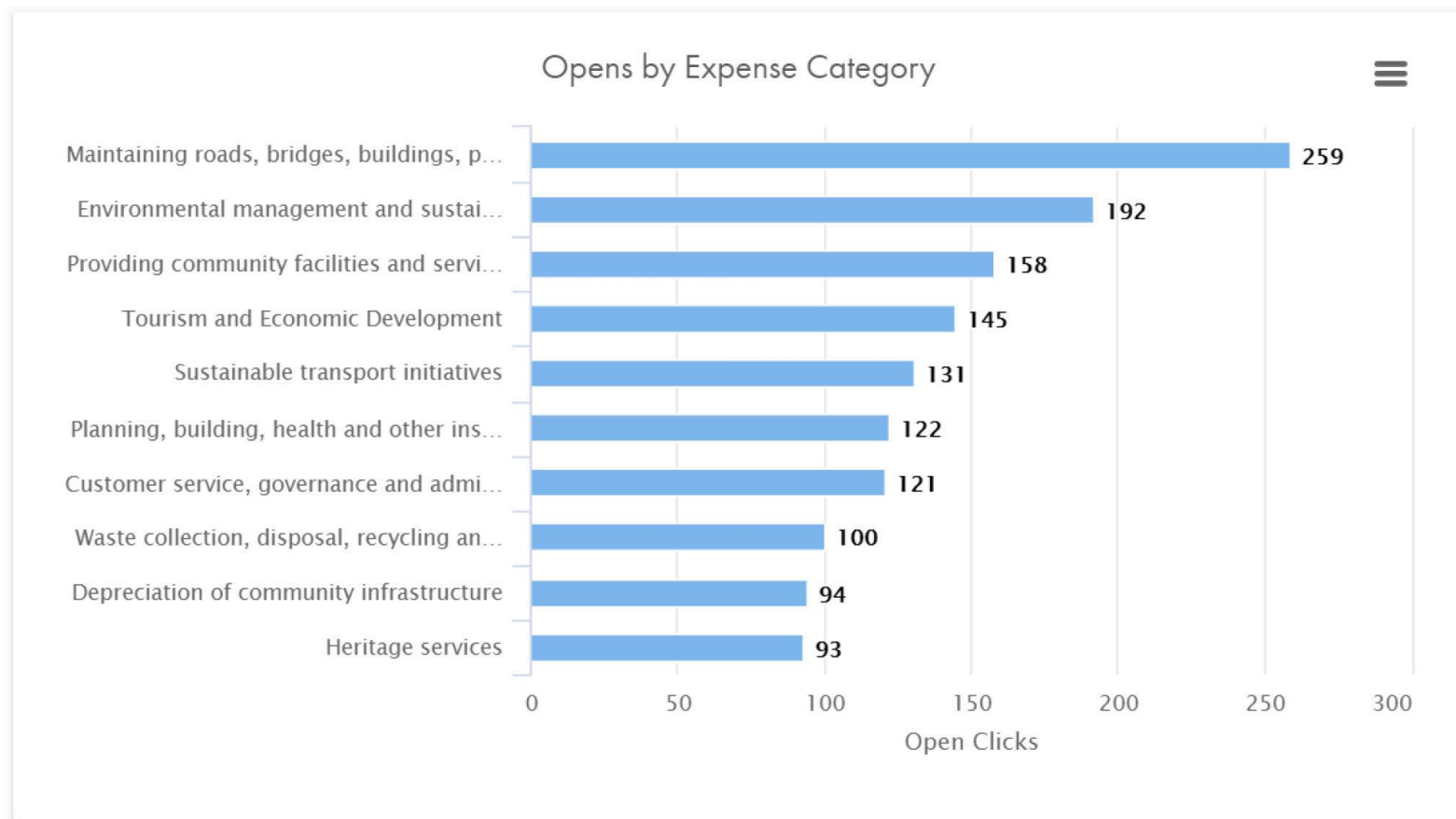
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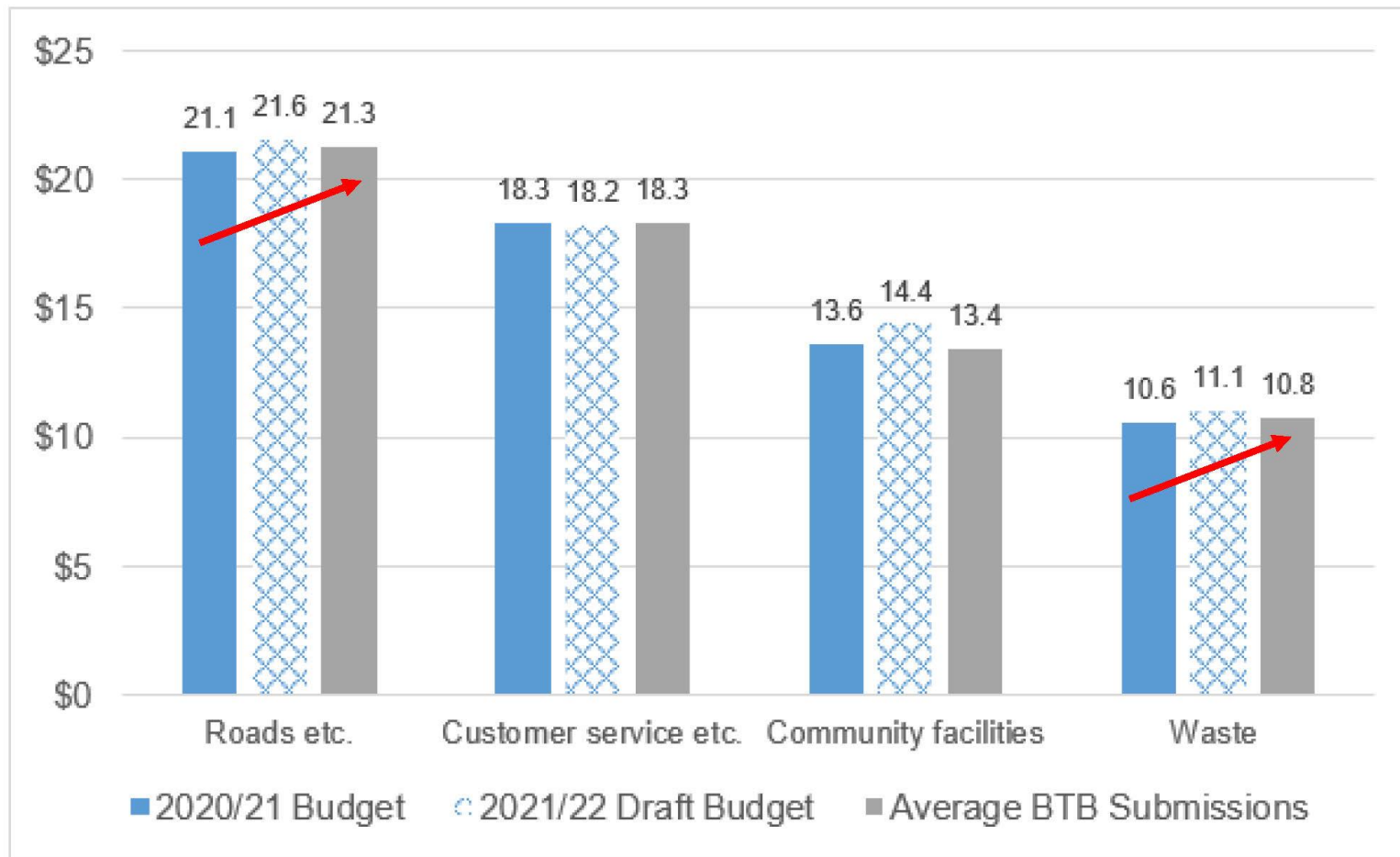
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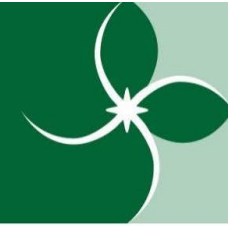
Expenditure Clicks



Top 4 Expenditure Categories (\$ million)

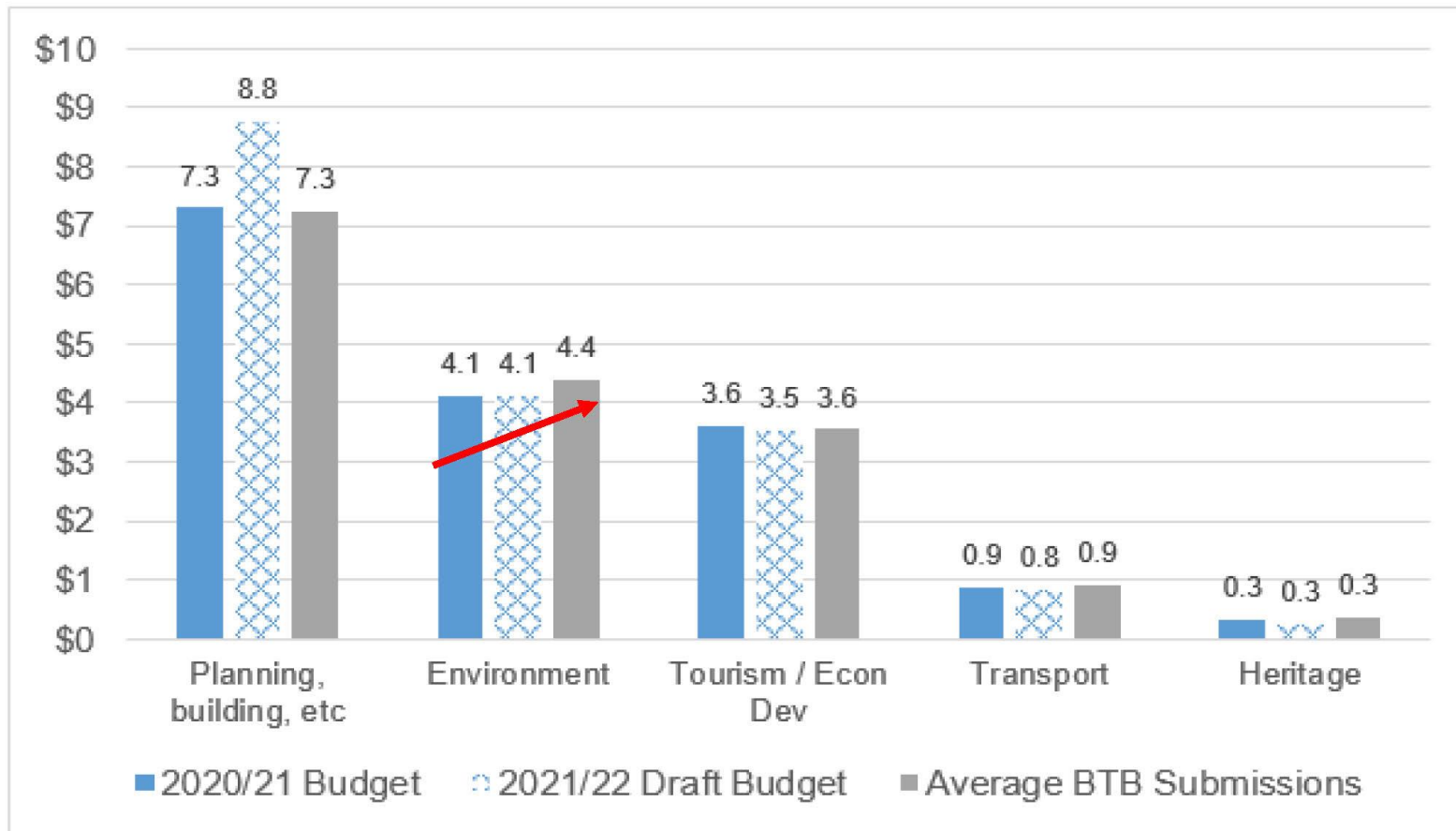


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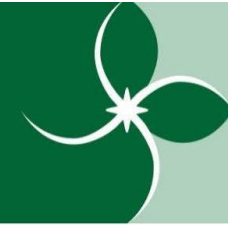


- Average balance the budget submissions wanted **higher levels of investment in infrastructure and waste management** and less expenditure in community facilities and services
- **Aligns** with the outcomes of the October budget consultation

Other Expenditure Categories (\$ million)

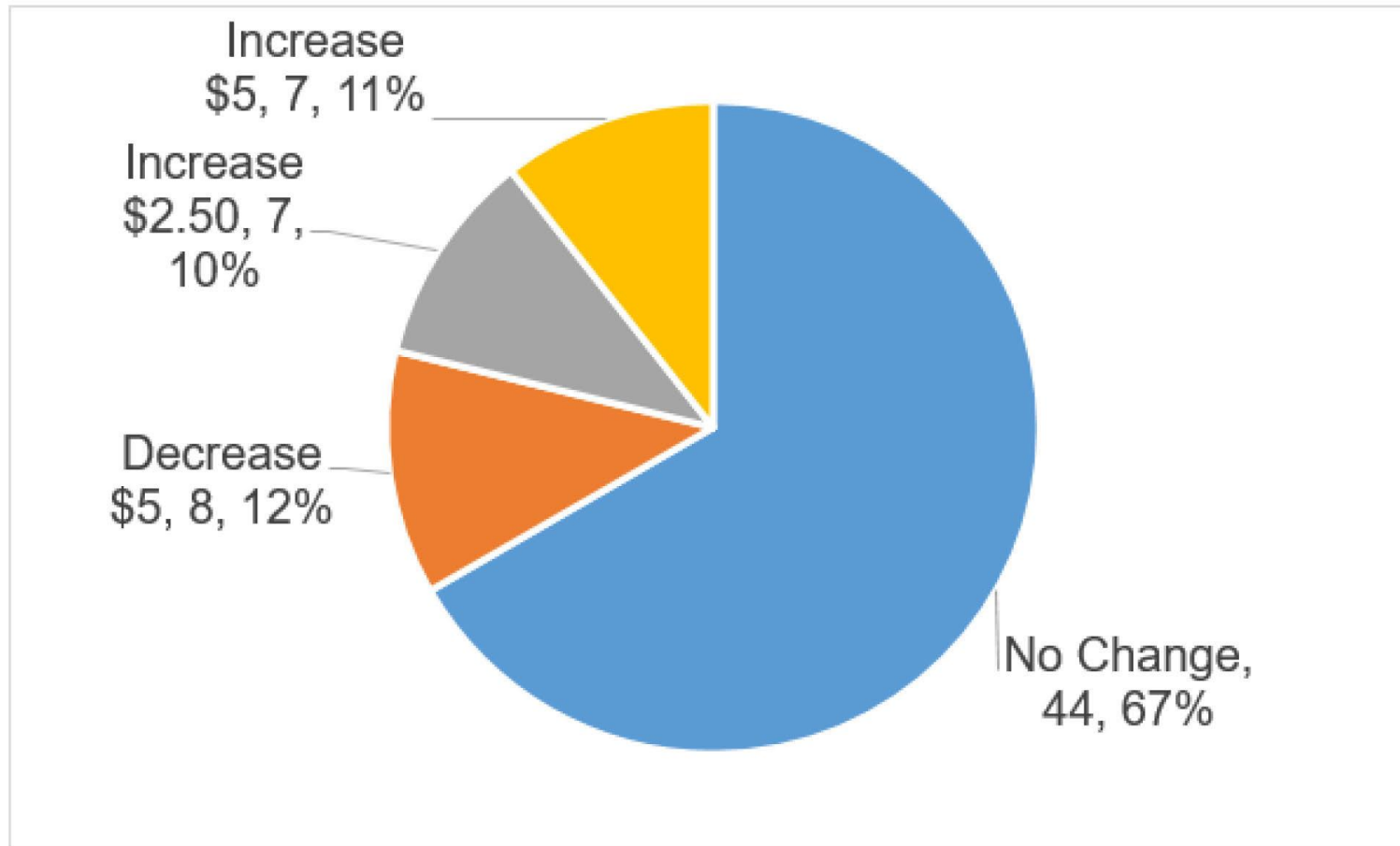


Other Expenditure Categories



- Average balance the budget submissions wanted higher levels of investment in **environmental management and sustainability** initiatives, with other expenditure areas remaining on average the same.
- **Aligns** with the outcomes of the October budget consultation

BTB Feedback – Heritage Levy

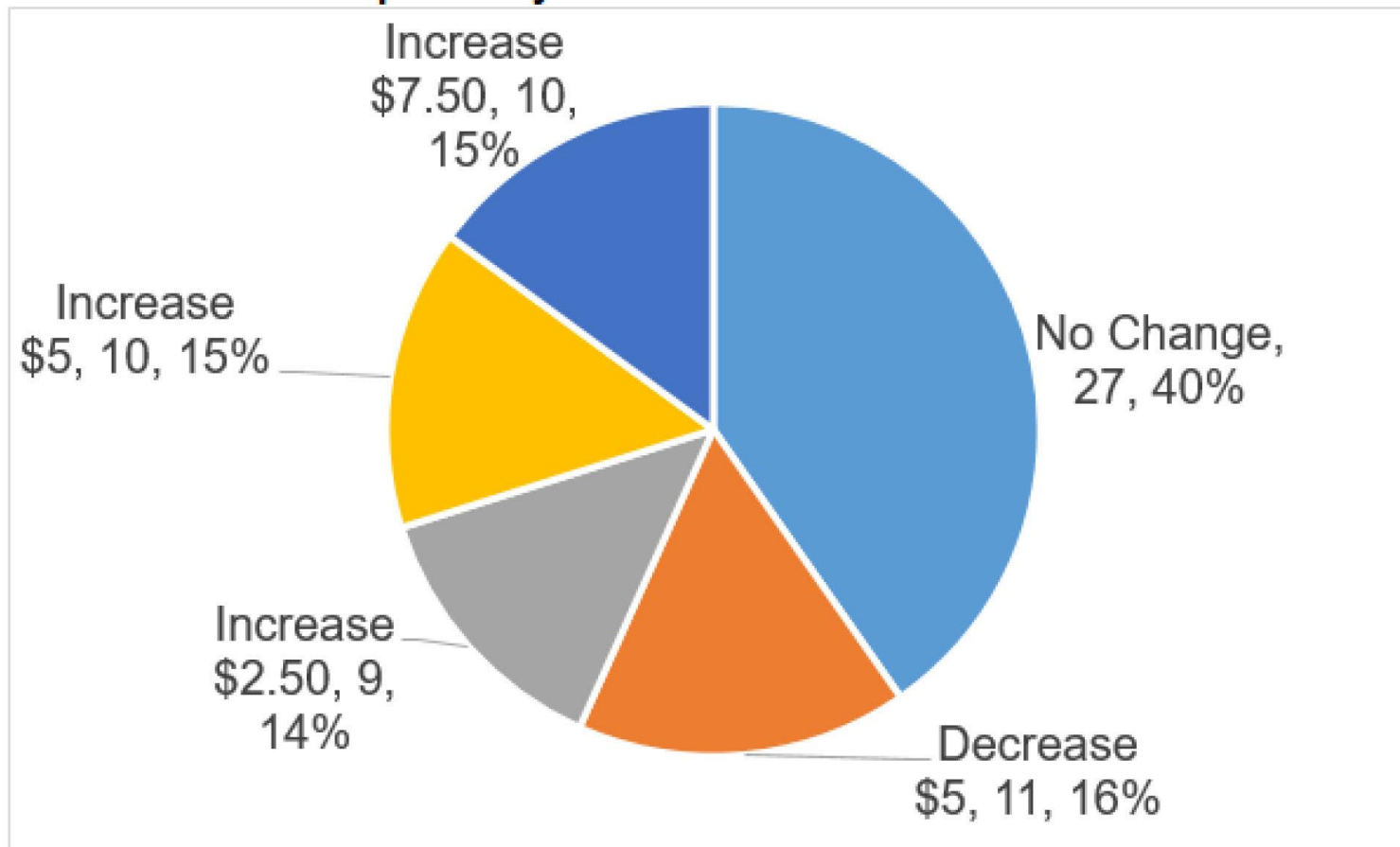


BTB Feedback Summary – Heritage Levy



- No change = 44 submissions
- Decrease levy by \$5 = 8 submissions
- Increase levy by \$2.50 = 7 submissions
- Increase levy by \$5 = 7 submissions
- *Average = \$0.23 increase (5%)*

BTB Feedback – Transport

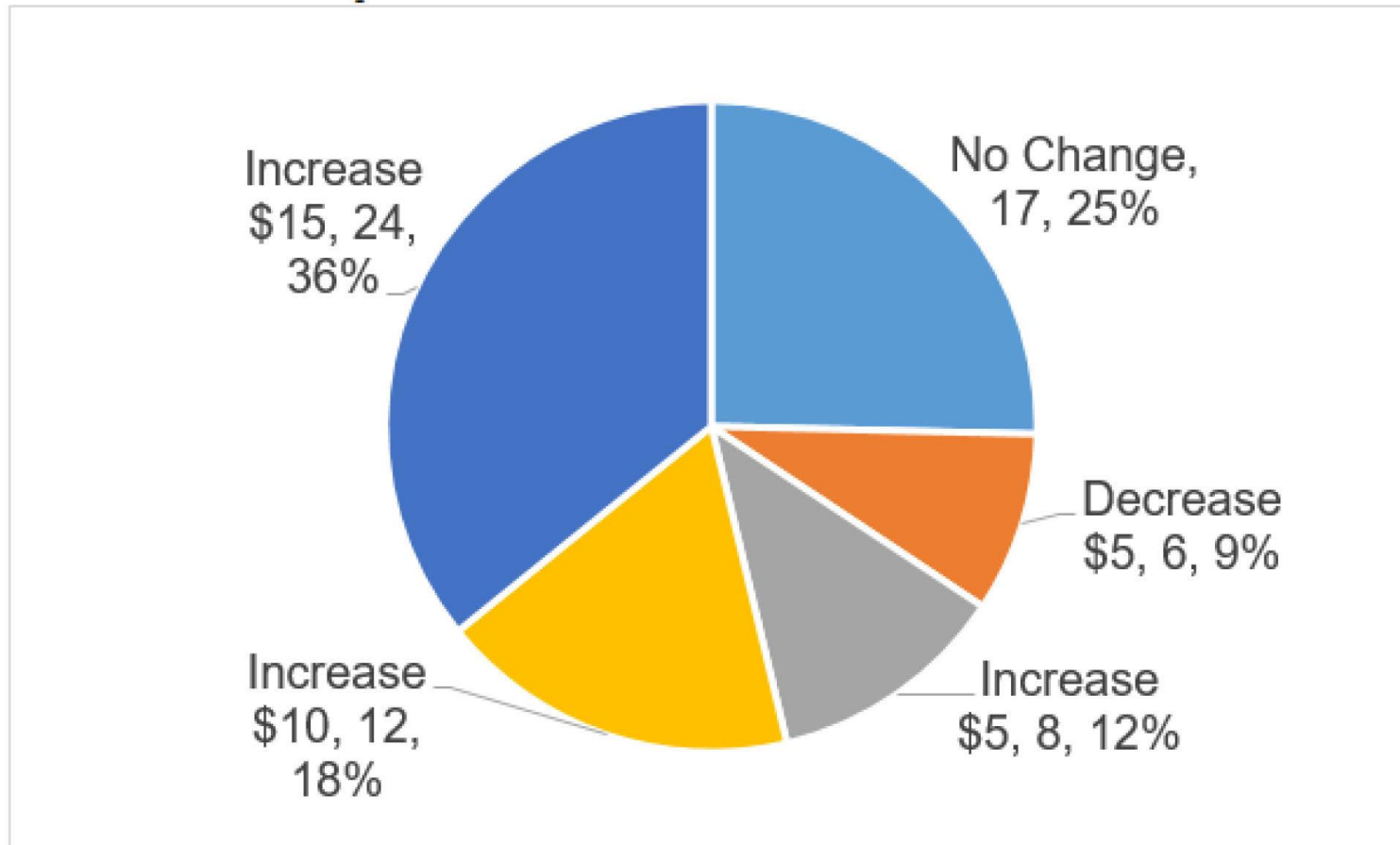
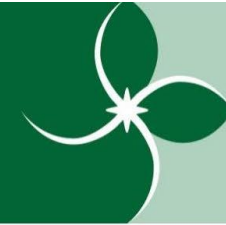


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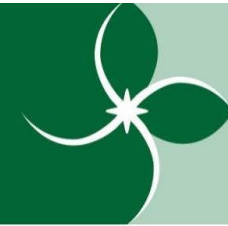


- No change = 27 submissions
- Decrease levy by \$5 = 11 submissions
- Increase levy by \$2.50 = 9 submissions
- Increase levy by \$5 = 10 submissions
- Increase levy by \$7.50 = 10 submissions
- *Average = \$1.40 increase (6%)*

BTB Feedback – Environment Levy



BTB Feedback Summary – Env Levy



- No change = 17 submissions
- Decrease levy by \$5 = 6 submissions
- Increase levy by \$5 = 8 submissions
- Increase levy by \$10 = 12 submissions
- Increase levy by \$15 = 24 submissions
- *Average = \$7.30 increase (13%)*

Other Channels



- Your Say Ideas – 11 contributions (att 2)
- Direct email feedback (att 3)
- Face to face Councillor meetings (6 meetings)
- 10 Year capital plan on Your Say – 2 comments

Next Steps



- Draft budget published for feedback **24 May – 4 June 2021**
- Special Council Meeting - feedback on draft budget **16 June 2021**
- Budget Adoption **30 June 2021**