

Transport and Environment Committee

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Annual Review of Major Events in Parks 2015/2016

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Executive Summary

The Edinburgh Parks Events Manifesto was presented to and approved by the Transport and Environment Committee on [26 August 2014](#). The Committee requested that the annual review carried out by the reported to Committee on an annual basis. This report presents the findings of the 2015/2016 survey, notes the concerns raised by consultees and details any mitigating actions which will be taken to ensure continual improvement in the planning and management of future events.

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1. Recommendations

- 1.1 It is recommended that the Transport and Environment Committee:-
- 1.1.1 notes the contents of this report.

2. Background

- 2.1 The annual review of major events in parks was undertaken in October 2016. Event organisers, local stakeholders, sports users, local councillors, locality teams and internal partners were asked for their feedback following major events held in their local parks.

3. Main report

- 3.1 Fourteen major events were reviewed over five locations: Princes Street Gardens; Leith Links; Calton Hill; Meadows; and Inverleith Park. An online survey was launched and sent out to all stakeholders involved with and affected by these events. These recipients were encouraged to forward the link to other interested parties and posters were displayed in park notice boards. The responses are detailed in Appendix 1. A summary is provided below.

Princes Street Gardens.

- Oktoberfest, (Appendix 1, page 5) (11 responses)
Comments received were around whether Princes Street Gardens was an appropriate venue for this type of event. Issues around litter and noise management were also raised.
- Hogmanay, (Appendix 1, page 13) (15 responses)
- The Winter Festival, (Appendix 1, page 21) (29 responses)

As far as the public are concerned both of these events are viewed as one. There were a number of comments supporting the events, however, complaints regarding noise and litter were also recorded. The majority of the comments and concerns were with regard to the length of time that the event is on site and the length of time taken to restore the gardens to their original condition.

- Summer Wheel, (Appendix 1, page 30) (11 responses)

The majority of comments questioned the appropriateness of the wheel in the gardens, litter management, noise and the length of time on site.

Leith Links.

- Leith Festival Funfair, (Appendix 1, page 38) (3 responses)
- Leith Festival, (Appendix 1, page 46) (9 responses)

Positive comments were received praising both events.

Calton Hill.

- Dusherra, (Appendix 1, page 54) (1 response)
- Beltane Fire Festival, (Appendix 1, page 62) (3 responses)

In general comments were supportive except a comment regarding the presence of private cars on the site and one regarding the format of the Beltane Festival.

The Meadows.

- Gung Ho, (Appendix 1, page 70) (4 responses)

Generally this event was well received with only one comment regarding litter and noise.

- The Meadows Festival Funfair, (Appendix 1, page 78) (8 responses)

The main issue noted was a general dissatisfaction with the noise levels generated by this event.

- The Meadows Festival; (Appendix 1, page 8) (12 responses)

Comments received were mainly positive and encouraging community events. However, three respondents note concerns regarding litter levels on site and following the clean up exercise, two for noise levels during the event and concerns regarding BBQs damaging the ground.

- The Meadows Fringe Circus Hub;(Appendix 1, page 94) (27 responses)

Positive comments were received regarding the type of event, the management and the on-site staff. Negative comments focussed on the length of time that the event was on site, the damage to the ground as a result and the time taken to reinstate the site afterwards. Comments were also received regarding the perceived commercialisation of the site and the impact on regular park users.

- The Fringe Funfair; (Appendix 1, page 102) (13 responses)

Criticism regarding noise levels, litter and vehicle use were raised along with concerns regarding commercialisation of the site.

Additional comments submitted by stakeholders regarding The Meadows can be found in Appendix 2.

Inverleith.

- The Foodies Festival, (Appendix 1, page 110) (3 responses)

One negative comment was received regarding public access to the site. The advice from the Local Access Forum on the outdoor access indicated that a practical approach should be taken and that exemption orders are not required for regular events.

How Will These Comments and Concerns Be Addressed?

- 3.2 All of these events (with the exception of the funfairs which are considered and conditioned through the appropriate licensing process) are subject to Event Planning and Operational Group (EPOG) considerations. This is a multi-agency group led by Public Safety and includes representatives from Events, Licensing, Roads, Localities, Parks Greenspace and Cemeteries along with external partners such as Police Scotland, Scottish Ambulance Service and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service. Each event has its own individual EPOG that meets with the organisers to agree what measures need to be put in place to ensure that the event is managed safely and that the impact on the park and other park users are, as far as is reasonable, minimised. The concerns and comments raised by this review will be addressed by these EPOGs and where possible mitigated for future events. In addition consideration of the comments will, where appropriate, be reflected in future event lease instructions.
- 3.3 Last year's review identified that for some events there were difficulties with accessing a point of contact to raise concerns or report complaints. This year's survey shows that although improvements have been made there is still room for improvement with specific organisers. This will be addressed through the EPOGs.
- 3.4 The procurement of four events (three new and one existing) for 2017 onwards has now been completed. The comments raised in this survey have been taken into account and reflected in the contracts issued to successful bidders. These events will be included in next year's annual review.
- 3.5 With regard to Princes Street Gardens, in an attempt to reinstate the grounds faster than has been the case to date, the Parks, Greenspace and Cemeteries Service commissioned an independent report in June 2016 by the Scottish Agricultural College (the full report can be found in Appendix 3).
- 3.6 This report concluded that the current specification and programme of works is per industry standard for amenity grassland works. The key issue highlighted is that

the lawn areas of the gardens are being used for a purpose that they were not intended or originally designed for and therefore significant remedial works are required on a year on year basis. Moreover, this work is required at a time of year with unpredictable weather and ground conditions.

- 3.7 The solution identified would be to reconstruct the existing lawns to a high performance specification that would significantly improve the drainage characteristics and stability of the site soils. Costs for this are estimated at up to £578k.
- 3.8 The contract for the Winter Festival is currently being procured by the Council. The specification states that: *“Large events in Princes Street Gardens can have a significant detrimental impact on the botanical gardens and their infrastructure including paths, bankings and beds. Contractor(s) should minimise disruption and impact on the gardens and devise innovative solutions to ensure minimal reinstatement is required and that the gardens are not adversely impacted. Solutions that make minimal use of the gardens will be viewed more favourably”.*

4. Measures of success

- 4.1 The number of complaints about events held in parks is reduced.
- 4.2 The weaknesses or areas for improvement identified in this review have been successfully addressed.

5. Financial impact

- 5.1 It is anticipated that extra revenue may be generated following the procurement led events from 2017.

6. Risk, policy, compliance and governance impact

- 6.1 Event Planning and Operational Group (EPOG) meetings are held to agree measures to ensure the event is managed safely and within the [Parks Events Manifesto](#) there is information on each park that needs to be considered.

7. Equalities impact

- 7.1 There is no relationship between the matters described in this report and the public sector general equality duty. There is no direct equality impact arising from this report.

8. Sustainability impact

8.1 There is a need to balance the requirements of events operators with the wishes of the local community and park user groups.

9. Consultation and engagement

9.1 The review was carried out with relevant stakeholders as shown in Appendix 1.

10. Background reading/external references

None

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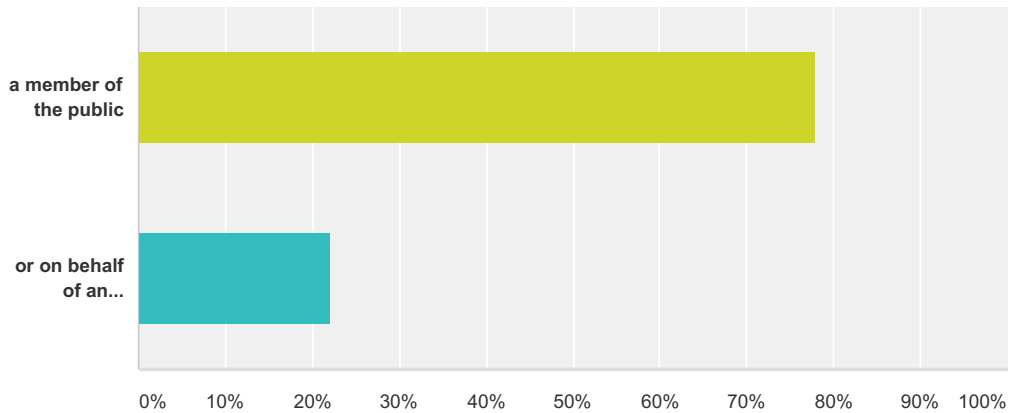
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11. Links

Coalition Pledges	P24 – Maintain and embrace support for our world-famous festivals and events P48 – Use Green Flag and other strategies to preserve our green spaces
Council Priorities	CP6 – A creative, cultural capital CP8 - A vibrant, sustainable local economy CP13 – Citizen and partner engagement
Single Outcome Agreement	None
Appendices	Appendix 1 Full Responses Appendix 2 Additional Comments Appendix 3 Scottish Agricultural College Report

Q1 Are you completing this survey as:

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Answer Choices	Responses
a member of the public	77.89% 155
or on behalf of an organisation	22.11% 44
Total	199

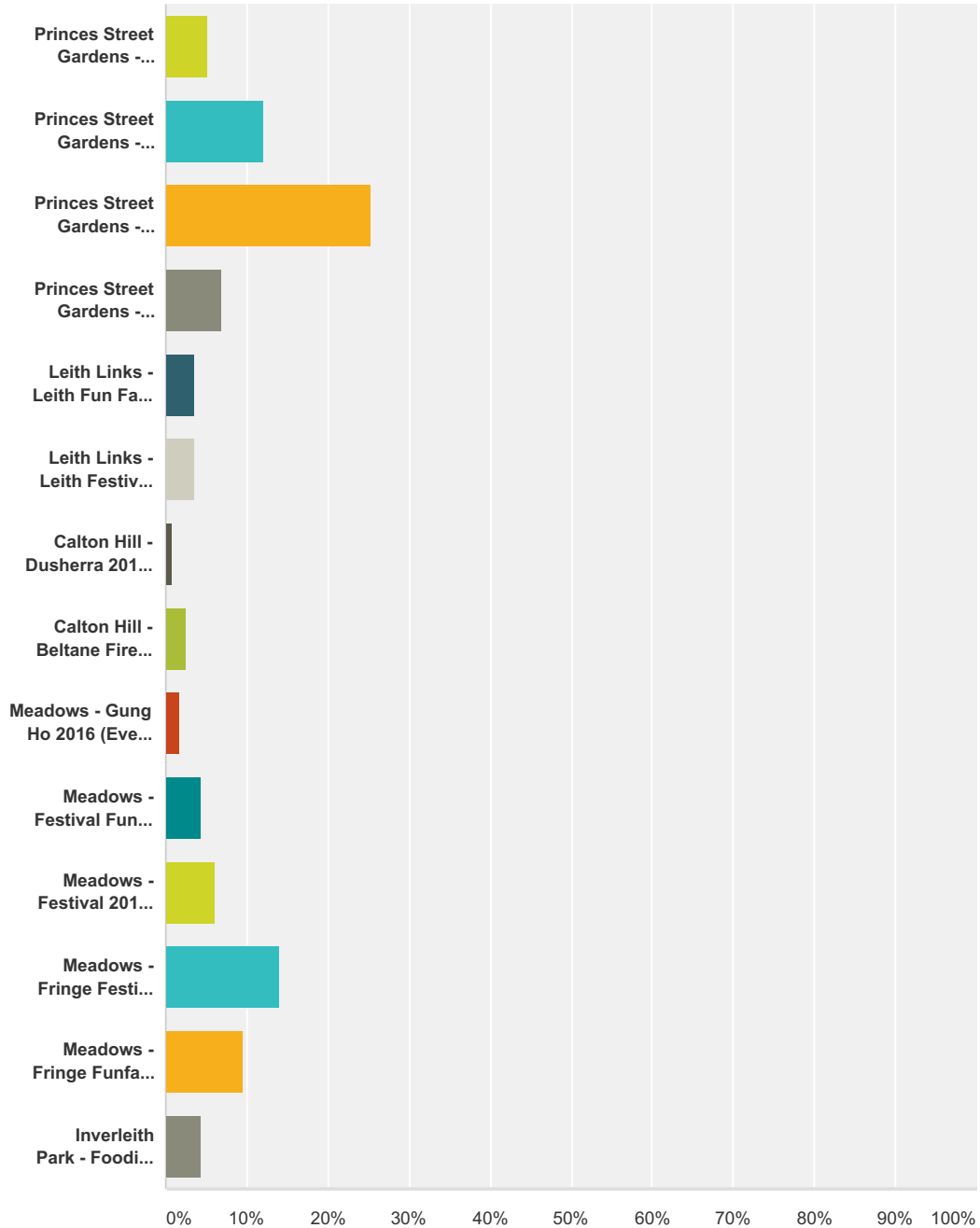
#	Please tell us which organisation you are responding on behalf of?	Date
1	Underbelly	11/17/2016 8:03 PM
2	Marchmont & Sciennes Community Council	11/17/2016 7:11 PM
3	John Evans Funfair	11/16/2016 9:27 PM
4	Edinburgh Oktoberfest	11/16/2016 12:15 PM
5	Tollcross Community Council	11/16/2016 9:49 AM
6	Unique	11/15/2016 4:34 PM
7	The Cockburn Association	11/15/2016 4:03 PM
8	Foodies Festival Inverleith Park	11/15/2016 2:59 PM
9	Collective	11/15/2016 10:32 AM
10	Edinburgh Leisure	11/9/2016 2:56 PM
11	Amos Scripture Care Trust	11/1/2016 11:03 AM
12	FCI	10/31/2016 10:51 PM
13	txcc	10/26/2016 11:32 PM
14	Film Edinburgh	10/26/2016 9:56 AM
15	Friends of the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links	10/25/2016 10:48 AM
16	EVOC	10/25/2016 9:17 AM
17	City of Edinburgh Council Environmental Wardens	10/24/2016 9:11 AM
18	Scottish Fire & Rescue Service	10/24/2016 8:58 AM
19	CEC Public Safety	10/21/2016 1:58 PM
20	Friends Burdiehouse Burn Valley Park	10/21/2016 9:16 AM

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21	Police Scotland - E Division operational planning	10/21/2016 9:13 AM
22	Friends of Starbank Park	10/20/2016 9:38 PM
23	Birthlink	10/20/2016 9:16 PM
24	Marketing Edinburgh	10/20/2016 4:24 PM
25	City of Edinburgh Council	10/20/2016 3:08 PM
26	The City of Edinburgh Council	10/20/2016 1:51 PM
27	Kgb	10/20/2016 11:42 AM
28	Friends of the Meadows and Bruntsfield Links	10/20/2016 11:30 AM
29	Canongate Youth	10/20/2016 10:09 AM
30	The City of Edinburgh Council	10/20/2016 10:04 AM
31	Councillor	10/20/2016 10:01 AM
32	CEC	10/20/2016 8:43 AM
33	East of Scotland Cricket Association	10/20/2016 8:42 AM
34	Leith Festival	10/20/2016 8:32 AM
35	Friends of Inverleith Park	10/19/2016 10:25 PM
36	LEITH FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION LTD	10/19/2016 9:12 PM
37	greening our street	10/19/2016 7:48 PM
38	Tollcross Community Council	10/19/2016 6:17 PM
39	CEC Estates	10/19/2016 5:21 PM
40	Collective	10/19/2016 4:55 PM
41	Gung-Ho!	10/19/2016 4:47 PM
42	ESCA	10/19/2016 4:18 PM
43	Leith Athletic FC	10/19/2016 4:09 PM

Q2 Which Park event would you like to comment on? If you would like to comment on more than one event you will be given the chance to do this.

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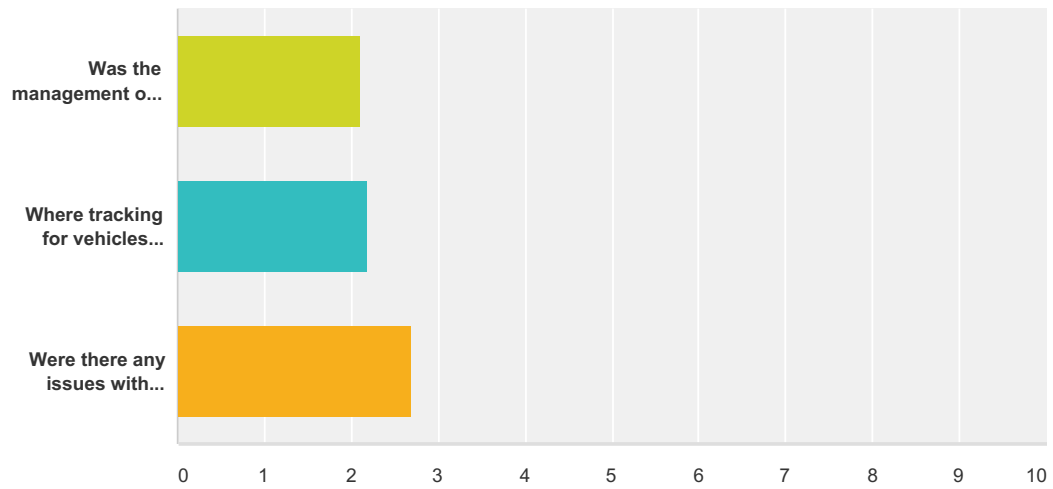
Answer Choices	Responses
Princes Street Gardens - Oktoberfest 2015 (Event dates: 7-11 October 2015)	5.22% 6
Princes Street Gardens - Hogmanay 2015/16 (Event dates: 31 Dec 2015 - 1 Jan 2016)	12.17% 14

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Princes Street Gardens - Christmas Festival 2015/16 (Event dates: 20 Nov 2015 - 3 Jan 2016)	25.22%	29
Princes Street Gardens - Summer Festival Wheel 2016 (Event dates: 13 July - 11 Sept 2016)	6.96%	8
Leith Links - Leith Fun Fair 2016 (Event dates: 8-12 June 2016)	3.48%	4
Leith Links - Leith Festival Gala Day 2016 (Event date: 11 June 2016)	3.48%	4
Calton Hill - Dusherra 2015 (Event date: 25 October 2015)	0.87%	1
Calton Hill - Beltane Fire Festival (Event date: 30 April 2016)	2.61%	3
Meadows - Gung Ho 2016 (Event date: 11 June 2016)	1.74%	2
Meadows - Festival Fun Fair 2016 (Event dates: 1-5 June 2016)	4.35%	5
Meadows - Festival 2016 (Event dates: 4-5 June 2016)	6.09%	7
Meadows - Fringe Festival Event - Underbelly Circus Hub 2016 (Event dates: 4-22 August 2016)	13.91%	16
Meadows - Fringe Funfair 2016 (Event dates: 11-21 August 2016)	9.57%	11
Inverleith Park - Foodies Festival 2016 (Event dates 5-7 August 2016)	4.35%	5
Total		115

Q3 Princes Street Gardens, Oktoberfest 2015 Before, during and after the event:

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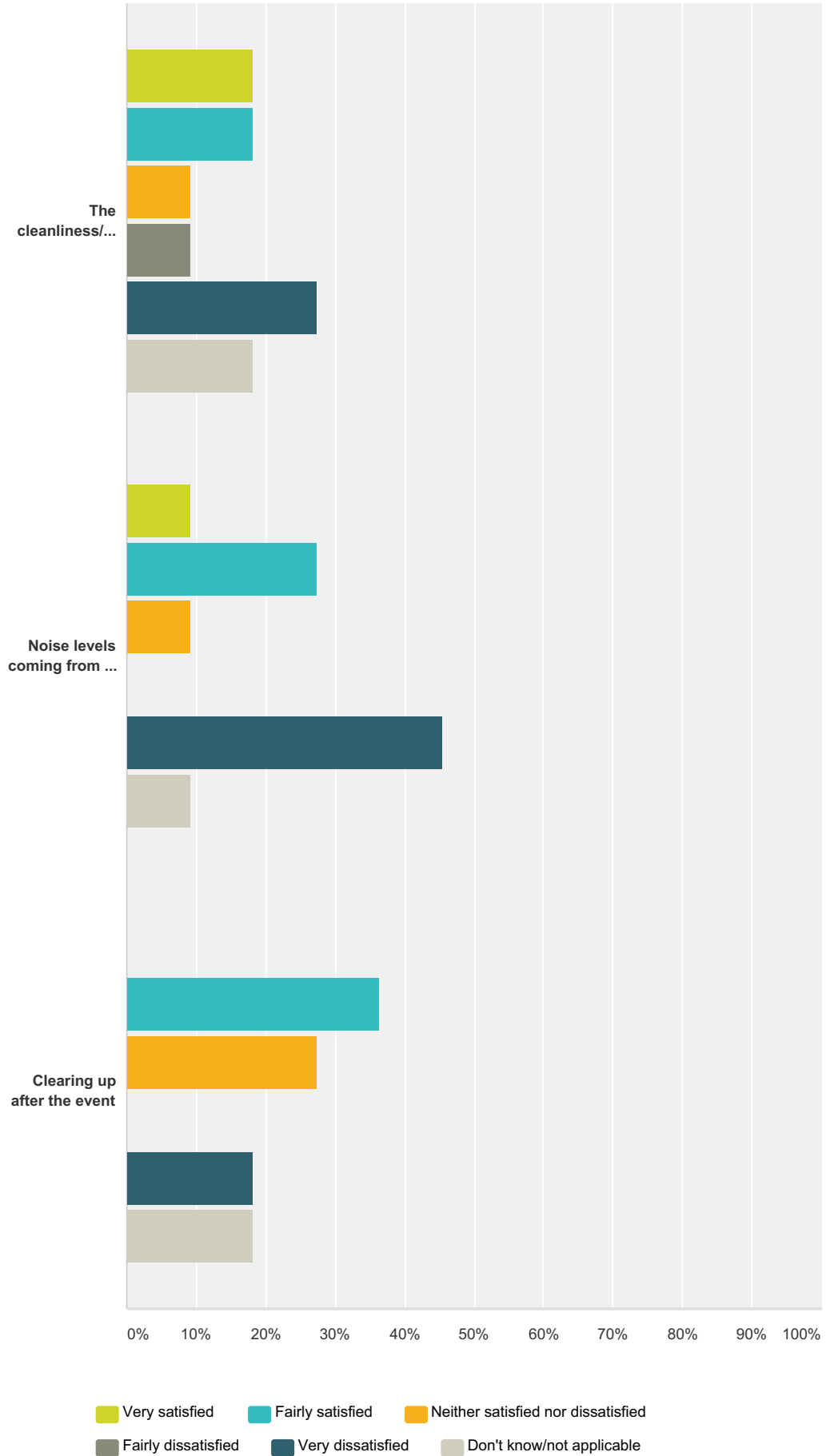


	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	30.00% 3	30.00% 3	40.00% 4	10	2.10
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	20.00% 2	40.00% 4	40.00% 4	10	2.20
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	10.00% 1	10.00% 1	80.00% 8	10	2.70

**Q4 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you
with:**

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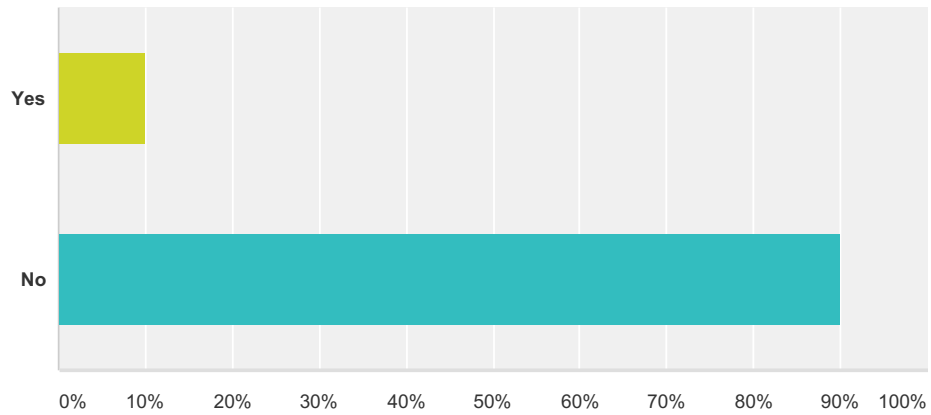


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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	18.18% 2	18.18% 2	9.09% 1	9.09% 1	27.27% 3	18.18% 2	11
Noise levels coming from the event	9.09% 1	27.27% 3	9.09% 1	0.00% 0	45.45% 5	9.09% 1	11
Clearing up after the event	0.00% 0	36.36% 4	27.27% 3	0.00% 0	18.18% 2	18.18% 2	11

Q5 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

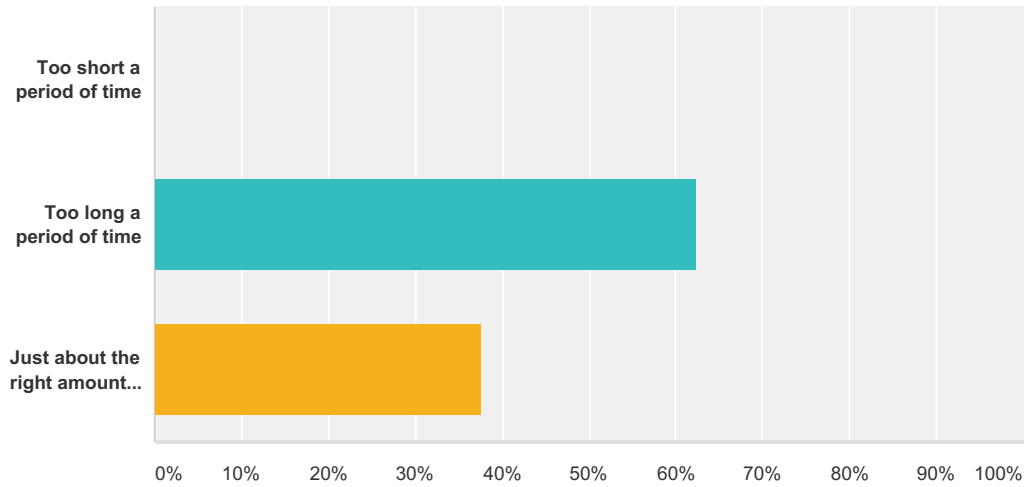
Answered: 10 Skipped: 189



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	10.00%	1
No	90.00%	9
Total		10

Q6 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 8 Skipped: 191



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	0.00% 0
Too long a period of time	62.50% 5
Just about the right amount of time	37.50% 3
Total	8

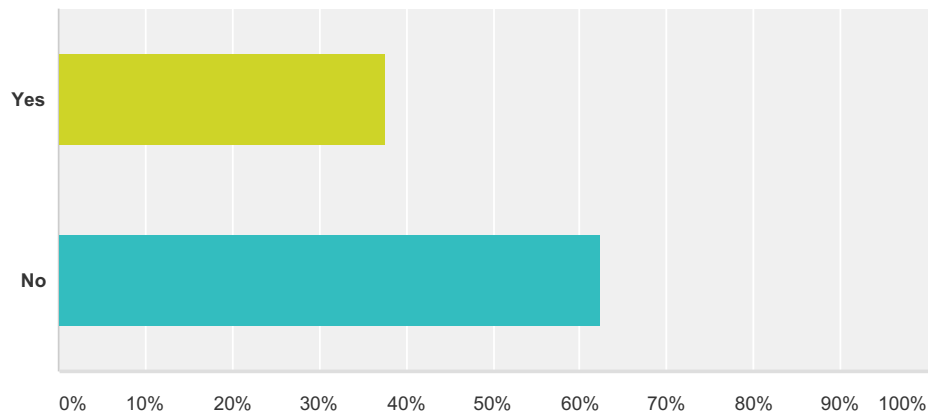
Q7 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 6 Skipped: 193

#	Responses	Date
1	I would like to comment on the disgraceful state of St Andrews Square Gardens. You show a picture of it but there is no option to comment on it. We are appalled and the destruction of this space over and over again.	11/15/2016 5:38 PM
2	public space for private gain	10/31/2016 10:54 PM
3	I am a tax paying citizen living in the city centre Oktoberfest ?? why, this is an alien kultur, Oktober fest is fine, great even, in Munich We should have native culture, were I in Munich I would not seek out a Scottish event as I can get that at home Such events leave the gardens and StAndrew Square a muddy mess with closed off "reseeded" areas for months on end. If you are going to mess up the grass then it should be returfed and not reseeded PS why does your questionnaire operate in US English and not British English?	10/24/2016 3:43 PM
4	This is an unnecessary event, involving amplified music immediately next to a historic and functioning church. I can not understand the 'gain' from having this type of event to Edinburgh's image and reputation particularly where drinking to excess is the ethos of any 'oktoberfest'.	10/21/2016 2:38 PM
5	Not an appropriate venue for this event.	10/20/2016 3:13 PM
6	Why do we have this to encourage binge drinking in a park. It was due to be on the Meadows and 'family' freindly but was seen off as it wasn't either of those. To have it in the City centre makes it look like drinking is acceptable to excess just to make the Council a couple of ££	10/20/2016 2:58 PM

Q8 Would you like to comment on another event?

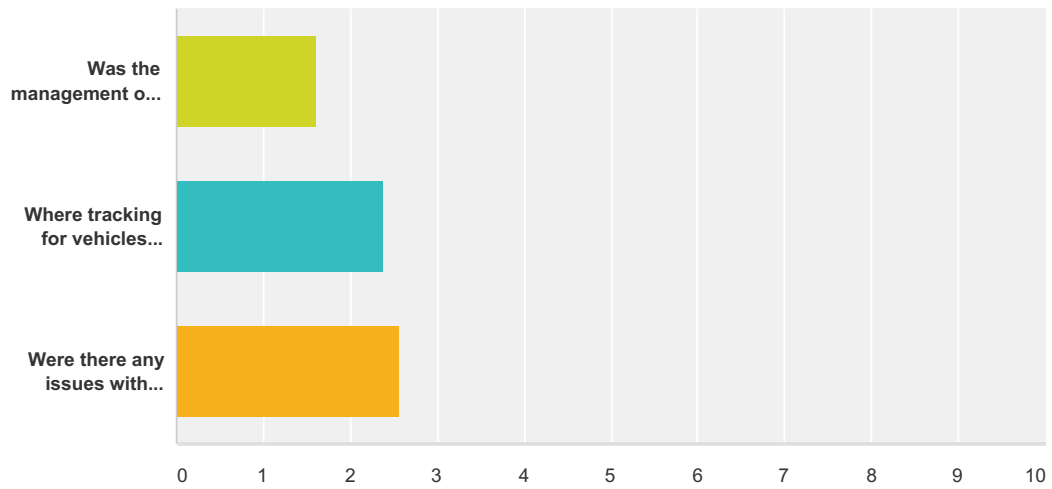
Answered: 16 Skipped: 183



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	37.50%	6
No	62.50%	10
Total		16

Q9 Princes Street Gardens, Hogmanay 2015/16 Before, during and after the event:

Answered: 15 Skipped: 184

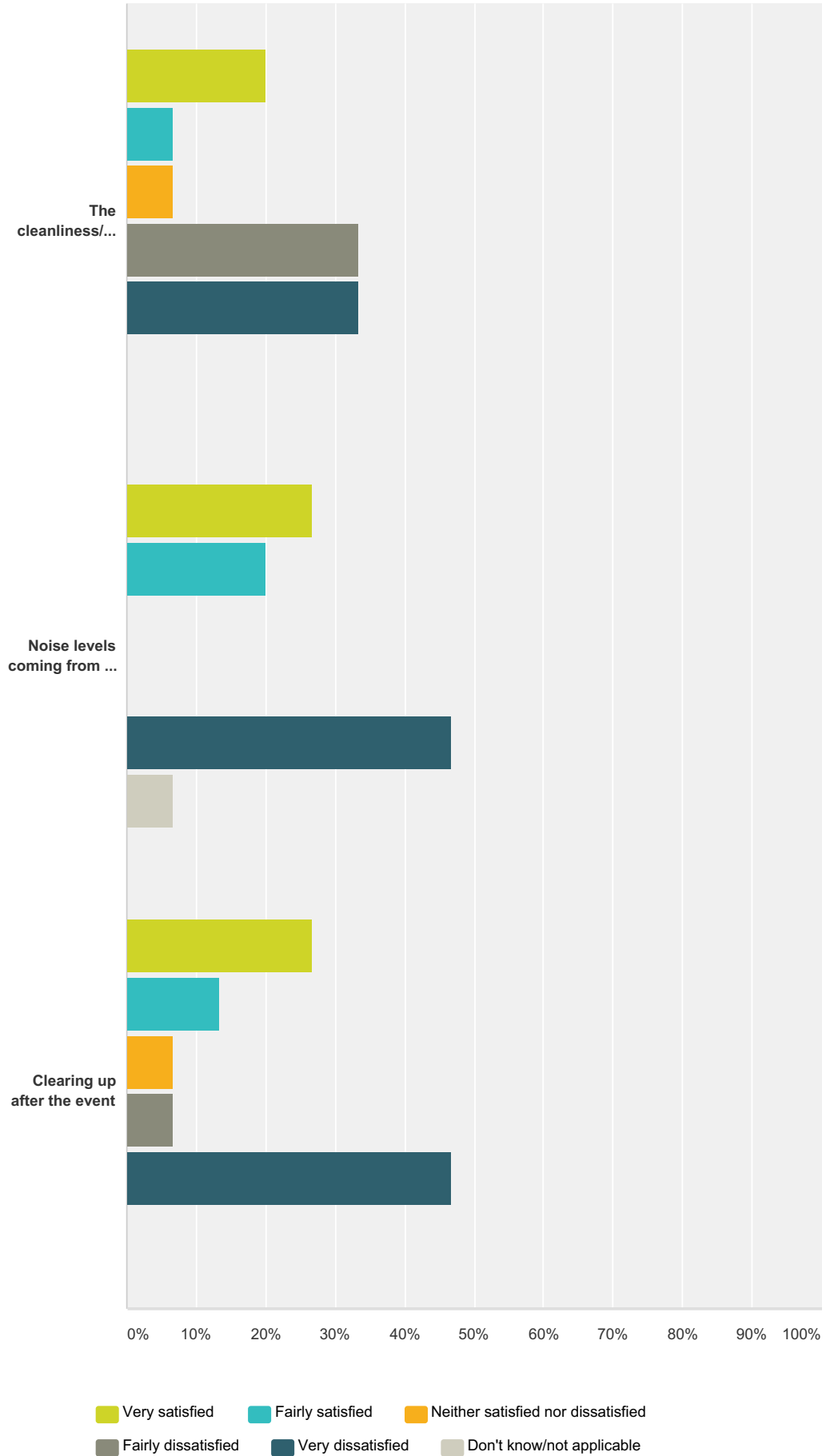


	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	53.33% 8	33.33% 5	13.33% 2	15	1.60
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	15.38% 2	30.77% 4	53.85% 7	13	2.38
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	14.29% 2	14.29% 2	71.43% 10	14	2.57

**Q10 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you
with:**

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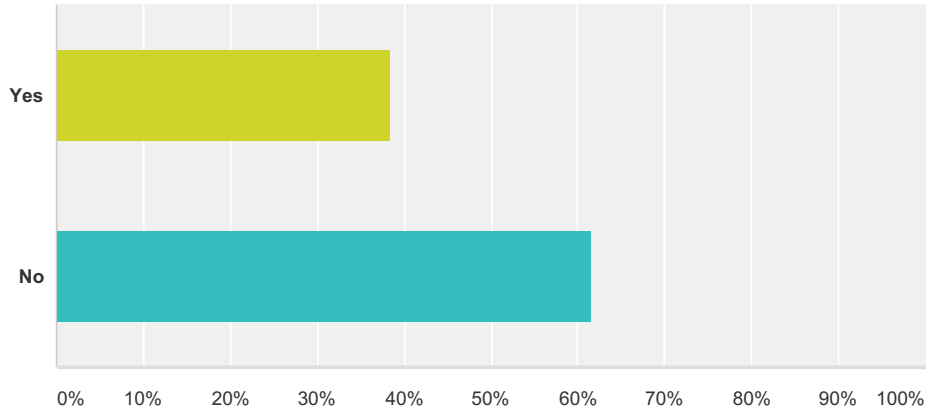


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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	20.00% 3	6.67% 1	6.67% 1	33.33% 5	33.33% 5	0.00% 0	15
Noise levels coming from the event	26.67% 4	20.00% 3	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	46.67% 7	6.67% 1	15
Clearing up after the event	26.67% 4	13.33% 2	6.67% 1	6.67% 1	46.67% 7	0.00% 0	15

Q11 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

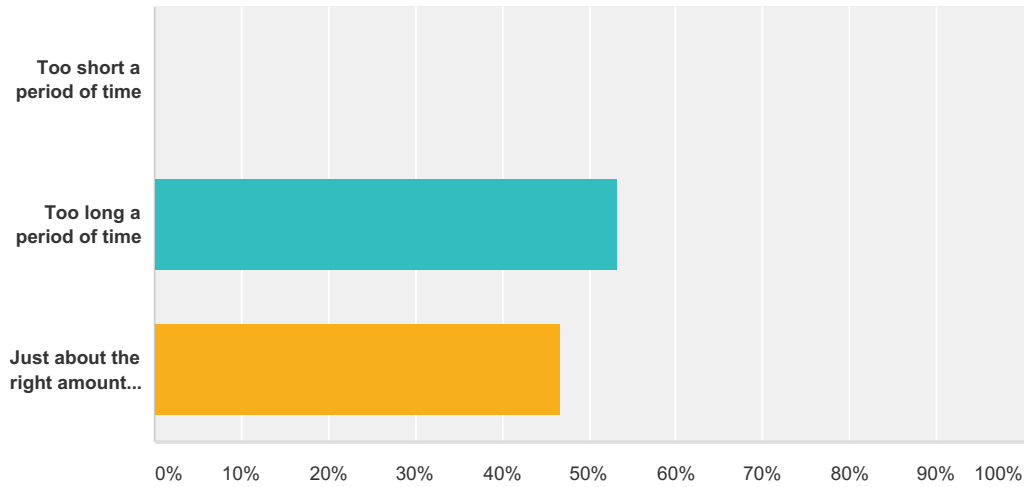
Answered: 13 Skipped: 186



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	38.46%	5
No	61.54%	8
Total		13

Q12 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 15 Skipped: 184



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	0.00% 0
Too long a period of time	53.33% 8
Just about the right amount of time	46.67% 7
Total	15

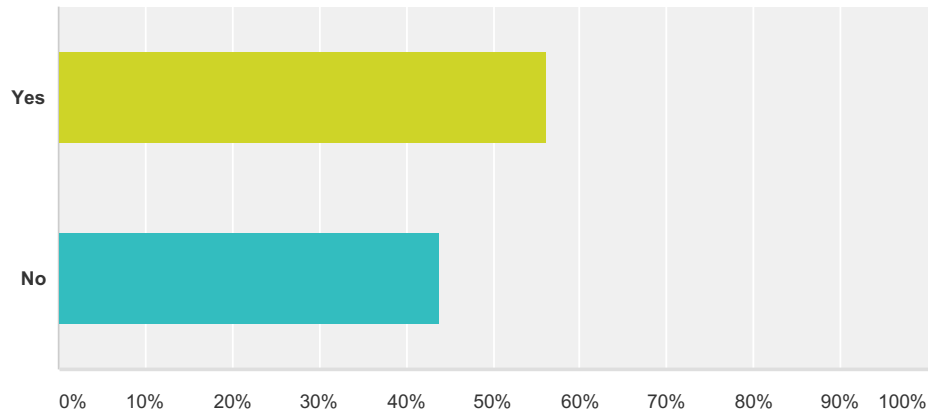
Q13 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 190

#	Responses	Date
1	The control of the crowds attending is always a concern. The exclusion of Edinburgh citizens from their city centre unless they pay for a ticket is a concern often raised with us.	11/15/2016 4:05 PM
2	Too costly. Should also maintain public right of way at all times. If this can't be done, then the event is in the wrong place	10/31/2016 11:57 PM
3	I am a tax paying citizen living in the city centre and am banned from the city centre for some of this period and I see only disbenefit to me PS why does your questionnaire operate in US English and not British English?	10/24/2016 3:38 PM
4	damage to gardens and need for replanting unacceptable....grass areas out of use for long recovery period	10/22/2016 3:14 PM
5	As a long -term city centre resident I oppose the destruction of a free gathering of folk on the High Street for the bells resulting from ticketing and event-driven management of the city centre.	10/21/2016 2:42 PM
6	A great event for the City. Long may it continue!	10/21/2016 2:03 PM
7	Reinstatement of the site to grass takes far to long.	10/20/2016 1:14 PM
8	Getting in seems quite quick but there are too many barriers. Getting out seems to drag on for too long.	10/20/2016 11:21 AM
9	Previously mentioned about the re-turfing.	10/20/2016 11:03 AM

Q14 Would you like to comment on another event?

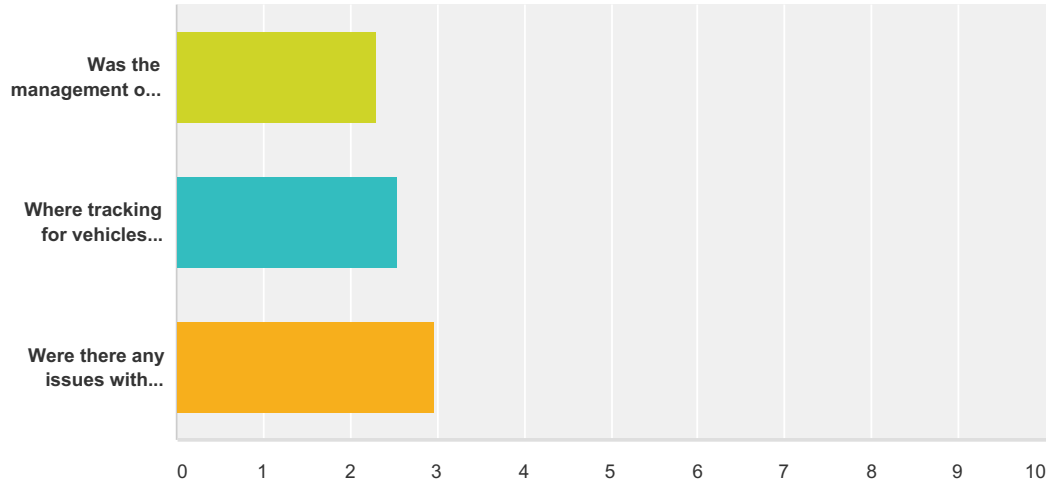
Answered: 16 Skipped: 183



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	56.25%	9
No	43.75%	7
Total		16

Q15 Princes Street Gardens, Christmas Festival 2015-16 Before, during and after the event:

Answered: 28 Skipped: 171

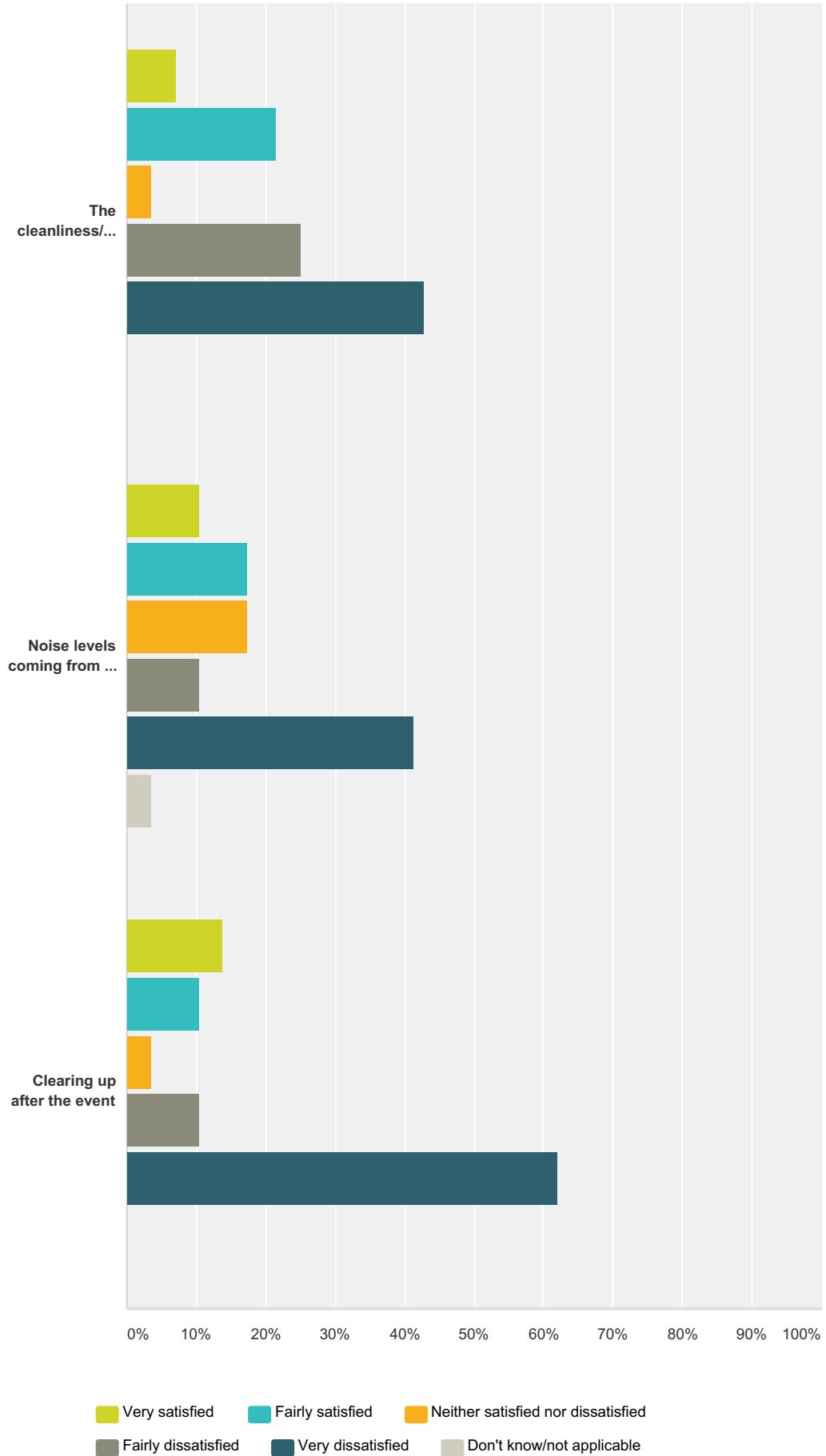


	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	28.57% 8	14.29% 4	57.14% 16	28	2.29
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	10.71% 3	25.00% 7	64.29% 18	28	2.54
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	0.00% 0	3.57% 1	96.43% 27	28	2.96

**Q16 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you
with:**

Answered: 29 Skipped: 170

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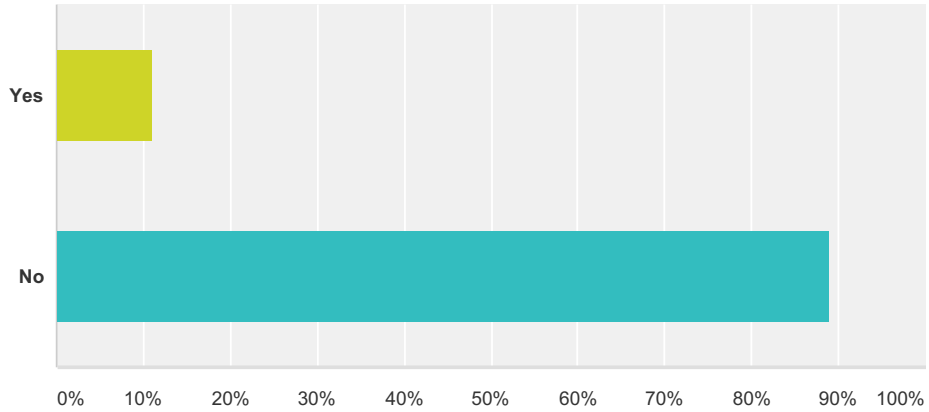


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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	7.14% 2	21.43% 6	3.57% 1	25.00% 7	42.86% 12	0.00% 0	28
Noise levels coming from the event	10.34% 3	17.24% 5	17.24% 5	10.34% 3	41.38% 12	3.45% 1	29
Clearing up after the event	13.79% 4	10.34% 3	3.45% 1	10.34% 3	62.07% 18	0.00% 0	29

Q17 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

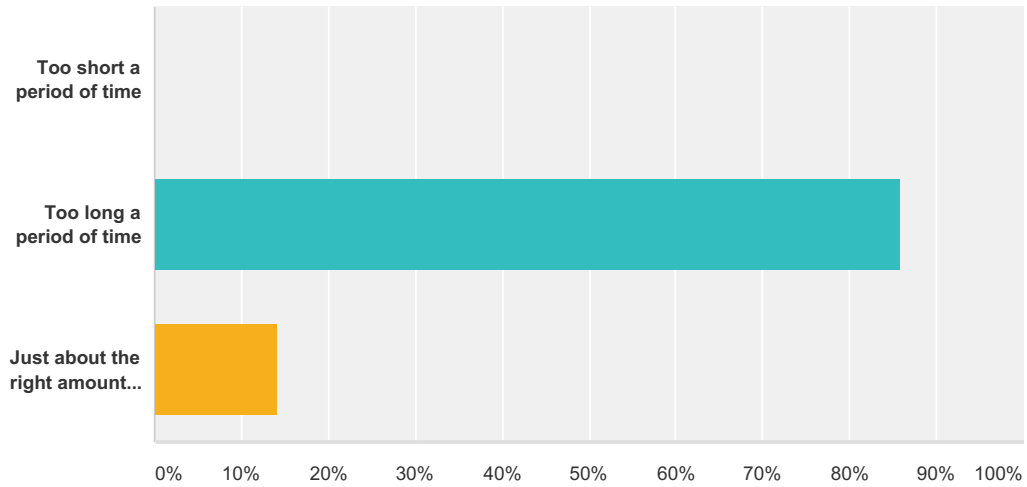
Answered: 27 Skipped: 172



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	11.11%	3
No	88.89%	24
Total		27

Q18 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 28 Skipped: 171



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	0.00% 0
Too long a period of time	85.71% 24
Just about the right amount of time	14.29% 4
Total	28

Q19 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 22 Skipped: 177

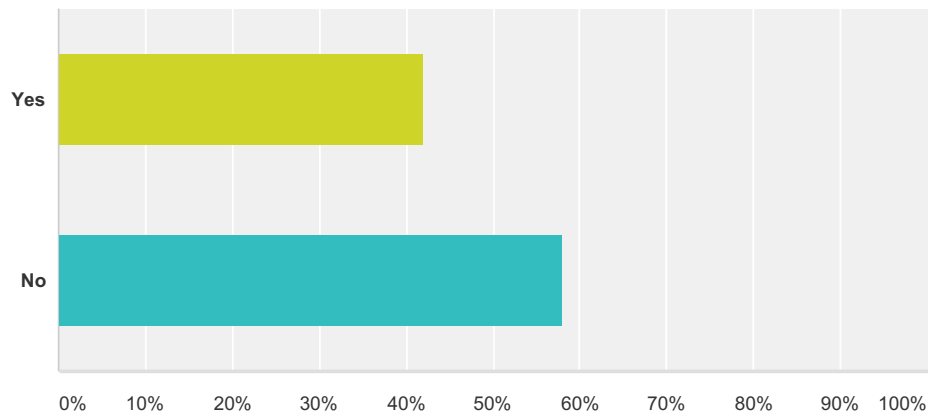
#	Responses	Date
1	Restoration of the site as an amenity for Edinburgh citizens is far, far too slow. So slow that it even impinges on the Spring/early Summer tourist season - leaving East Princes St gardens unusable and ugly. More protection for grass and much earlier re turfing (our winters are not so harsh/long not to) would help. The same, in fact more so, applies to St Andrew's Sq. gardens.	11/15/2016 11:20 PM
2	The re-instatement of grass took far too long, leaving the place like a quagmire. There was all sorts of debris jetisoned by the stalls behind them, but in full view of Princes St. The combined smell of fast food and deisel generators was nauseous. Waste bins and the grit bin (used as a waste bin) by the bus stop not emptied frequently enough.	11/15/2016 11:01 PM
3	The only issue I have is that Edinburgh is not returned to normal when the event has finished. i.e. the turf in both St Andrew Sq and Princes St Gardens.	11/15/2016 5:41 PM
4	The taking over of the gardens and other areas, such as the top of Waverley Mall and all of St. Andrew's Square, is becoming ridiculous. The Christmas market is full of repeated stalls selling tat and there is no crowd management. In addition, I resent our public spaces being put to commercial use for pretty much half the year, including the summer fair. The Gardens should be a place for peaceful relaxation and are a great asset to the city centre. The constant and continual expansion is tawdry and unwelcome. When the market first began it was just right and the Gardens were able to recover. Now, the grass and plants are destroyed, spoiling enjoyment of the Gardens for much of the year. Shame on ECC for such exploitation.	11/15/2016 4:47 PM
5	There must be a more appropriate site for this event. Locals feel driven away from the city centre as the event is primarily geared for visitors. The state of the site after the event is an eyesore for months.	11/15/2016 4:07 PM
6	The festivals are gradually encroaching on Princes Street gardens, a very nice public space, for longer and longer periods within the year. It is horrible in January when it is cleared up and it is like a mudpool for 3 months until grass is laid in the spring... not a good advert for Edinburgh at all.	11/10/2016 12:50 PM
7	The park is increasingly being used for commercial purpose, rather than for the relaxation of residents and visitors. Interestingly, and this applies to other events as well, you only give the dates the events are on, and not the amount of days the park, our parts of the park, cannot be accessed by members of the public, due to construction, deconstruction, and replacing grass. The park's purpose as a public amenity is being continually eroded.	11/7/2016 10:14 AM
8	Cheap, nasty, classless, tasteless. Unoriginal, uninspiring, depressing.	11/1/2016 12:00 AM
9	A lovely event especially for all our visitors	10/25/2016 4:06 PM
10	The park is in a horrible state for far too long after the event. It ruins the space for the residents of Edinburgh to enjoy for months after xmas	10/24/2016 9:20 PM
11	Ruins the gardens for a long time afterwards. Grass difficult to establish. Whole event needs scaled back.	10/24/2016 7:00 PM
12	The event has a fixed timescale which is understandable, but it is the time taken to return the site fully to public use that requires review	10/24/2016 5:12 PM
13	I am a tax paying citizen living in the city centre and this is mostly an alien culture and I see only disbenefit to me PS why does your questionnaire operate in US English and not British English?	10/24/2016 3:39 PM
14	Pronces Street gardens becomes ever more a commercialised place rather than a green space for everyone's benefit at the heart of our city. I object STRONGLY to the frequency, the length of time and the size of the events in a public park.	10/24/2016 3:33 PM
15	Event resulted in excessive congestion of pedestrian routes. It left the gardens in a poor condition. I don't see how encouraging people to drink wine and eat sausages fits in with the council's public health policy.	10/21/2016 12:07 PM
16	The use of Princes St Gardens for the Christmas festival used to be fun and interesting for local people, but in the last few years it has turned into a really down-market event and is really disappointing. There needs to be better quality stalls, there needs to be a better plan for allowing access to the site - it's a horrible crush when its busy. It closes too early in the evening, it should be open later into the evening. And I have said that it is on for too long a period of time because it sets up in November which is too early.	10/20/2016 5:51 PM
17	not appropriate in this location. The gardens should be retained as a beautiful space	10/20/2016 3:10 PM

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18	This is a park, and it should not be used in this manner. Further, the park is out of use for far longer than the dates of the event. From 12 November to May this park, and St Andrews Square, are ruined for public use. In the depth of winter when all is grey we want to see green parks, but we either see a lowest common denominator commercial bonanza (that has nothing to do with Christmas or Scotland) or we see bare earth and dereliction.	10/20/2016 1:28 PM
19	The site is occupied for Christmas and New Year for too long. It is left in a terrible state and takes far too long to reinstate.	10/20/2016 1:13 PM
20	Reinstatement of the site takes too long. It should take one month maximum and if they can't it should not happen.	10/20/2016 11:19 AM
21	The content of the stalls and market is repetitive and doesn't seem as authentic as it was when introduced to this area some years ago. I feel it could be scaled down. It is too small an area to cater for this type of event meaning it is crowded. The paths in the gardens act as a thoroughfare and byway for residents who wish to avoid Princes Street pavements which are always busy and made more difficult to navigate with all the bus stops and shelters.	10/20/2016 11:09 AM
22	The cost in replacing the grass, does the vendor contribute to the re-turfing after all these events in Princes Street Gardens, and St Andrews Sq?	10/20/2016 10:57 AM

Q20 Would you like to comment on another event?

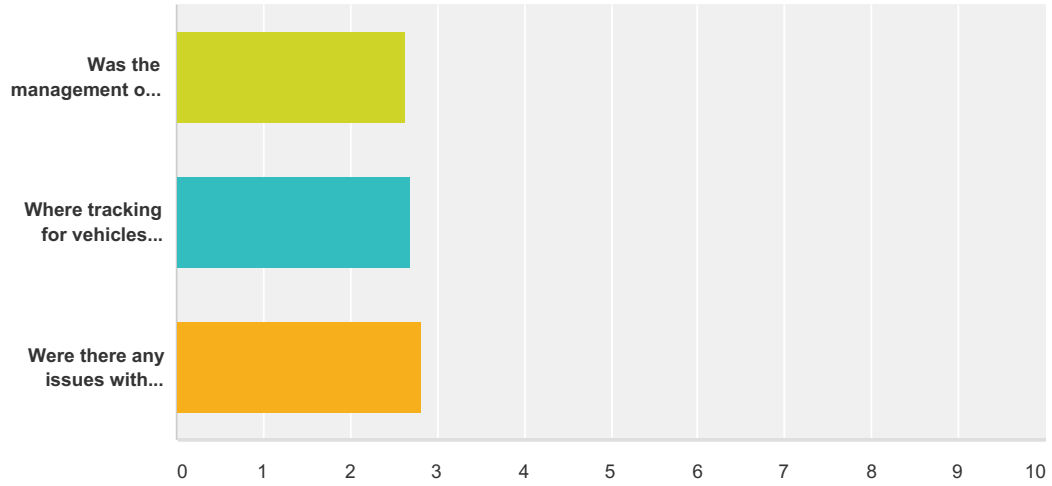
Answered: 31 Skipped: 168



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	41.94%	13
No	58.06%	18
Total		31

Q21 Princes Street Gardens, Summer Festival Wheel 2016 Before, during and after the event:

Answered: 11 Skipped: 188

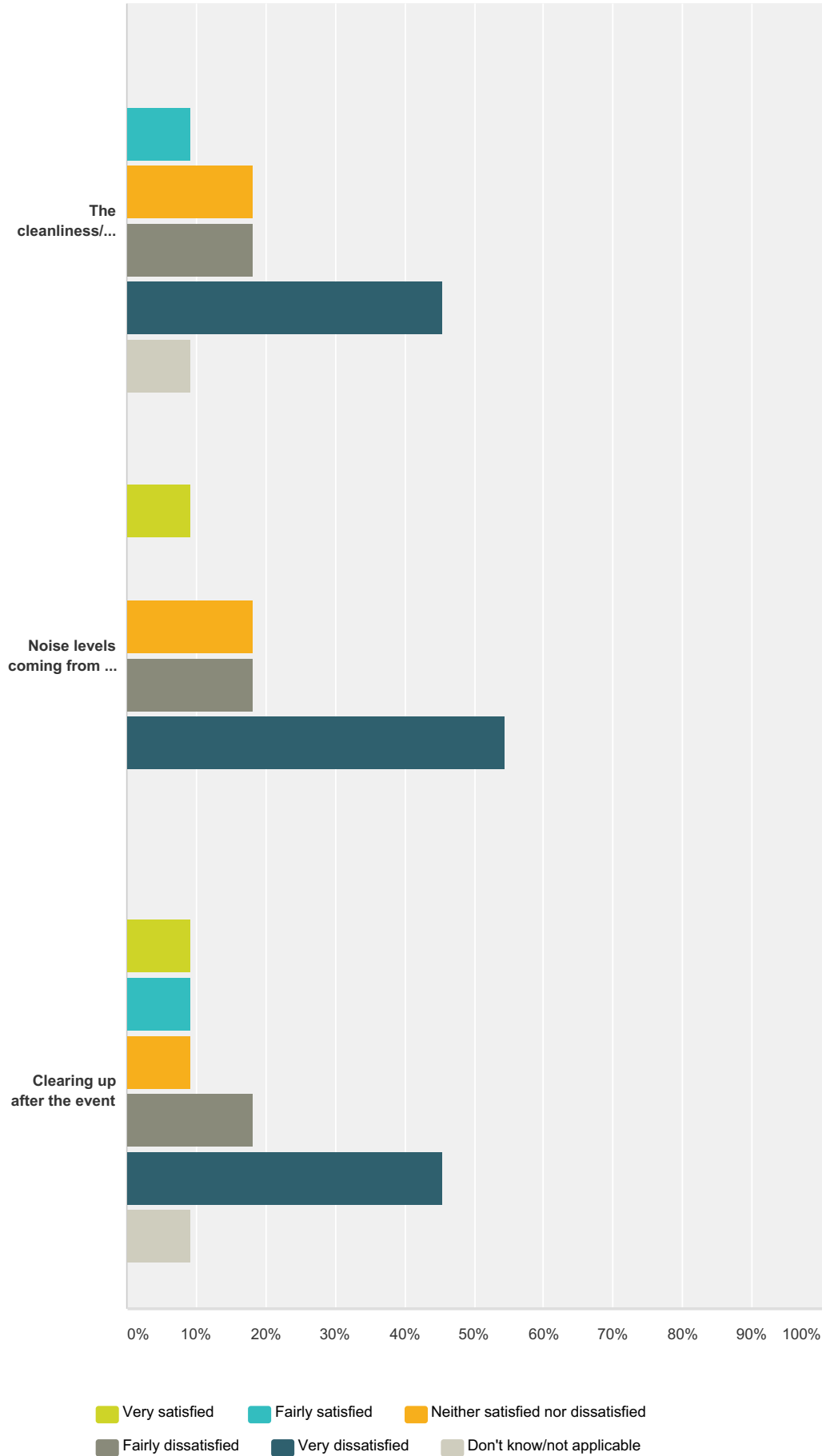


	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	9.09% 1	18.18% 2	72.73% 8	11	2.64
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	0.00% 0	30.00% 3	70.00% 7	10	2.70
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	9.09% 1	0.00% 0	90.91% 10	11	2.82

Q22 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you with:

Answered: 11 Skipped: 188

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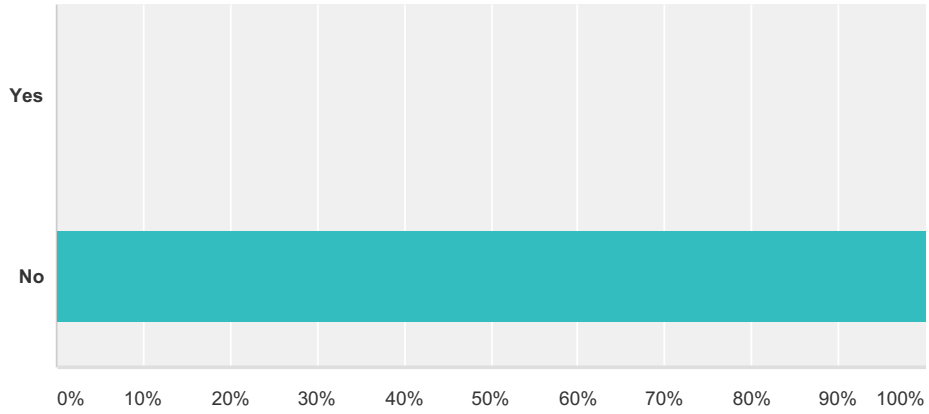


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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	0.00% 0	9.09% 1	18.18% 2	18.18% 2	45.45% 5	9.09% 1	11
Noise levels coming from the event	9.09% 1	0.00% 0	18.18% 2	18.18% 2	54.55% 6	0.00% 0	11
Clearing up after the event	9.09% 1	9.09% 1	9.09% 1	18.18% 2	45.45% 5	9.09% 1	11

Q23 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

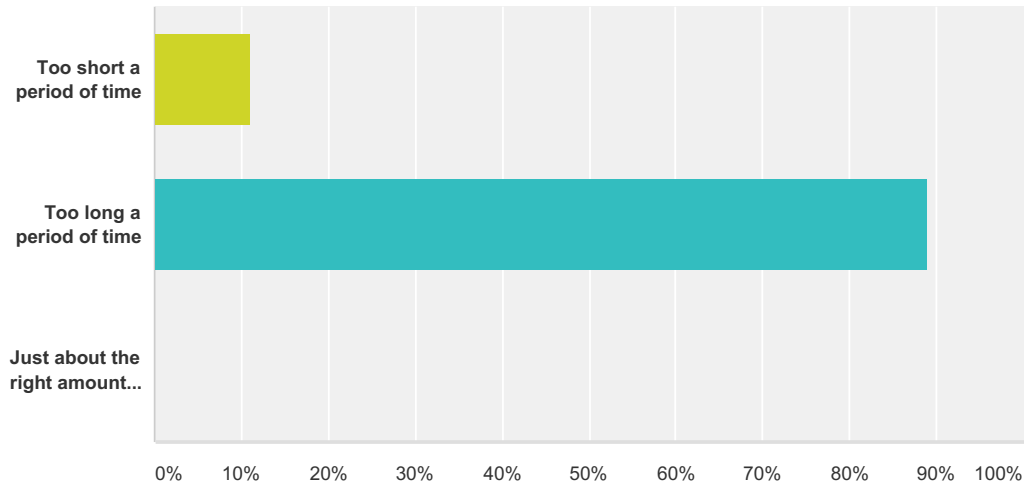
Answered: 10 Skipped: 189



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	0.00% 0
No	100.00% 10
Total	10

Q24 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 9 Skipped: 190



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	11.11% 1
Too long a period of time	88.89% 8
Just about the right amount of time	0.00% 0
Total	9

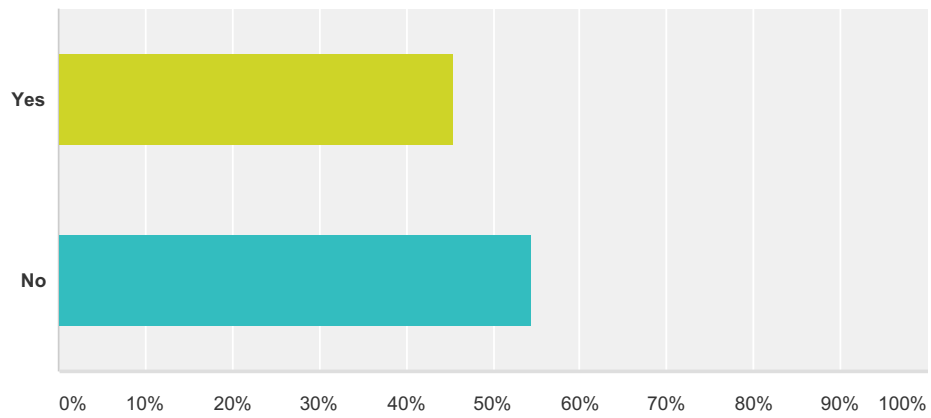
Q25 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 7 Skipped: 192

#	Responses	Date
1	This event makes Edinburgh into a fun fair and blemishes the beauty of the New Town.	11/18/2016 2:52 PM
2	The re-instatement of grass took far too long, leaving the place like a quagmire. no excuse for this as the weather was suitable for grassing. There was all sorts of debris jetisoned by the stalls behind them, but in full view of Princes St. The combined smell of fast food and deisel generators was nauseous. Waste bins and the grit bin (used as a waste bin) by the bus stop not emptied frequently enough.	11/15/2016 11:03 PM
3	Why? Is a wheel to become a permanent feature on Princes Street? There must be a more suitable site elsewhere? The Waterfront, Portobello.... just about anywhere but here!	11/15/2016 4:09 PM
4	What exactly was this for? This is the same area used at Christmas, therefore reducing the use by the general public below what I would consider acceptable.	10/24/2016 5:15 PM
5	Not an appropriate location for the event the gardens should be retained as beautiful gardens for people to enjoy. Big wheel out of sclc for the gardens	10/20/2016 3:12 PM
6	The Edinburgh Festival is a world famous arts festival. Why do we allow a ferris wheel to detract from the magnificent natural environment and famous vistas? This adds nothing to the event. Acceptable for Christmas market but not in the summer along with the numerous tacky stalls crammed in wherever there is a space (eg. roof of Waverley Mall, St Andrew Square etc). Clearly ECC put commercial interests come before everything else.	10/20/2016 10:58 AM
7	Very unsightly and does not add to Edinburgh's tourist offer but cheapens the look of the city. The days are long in summer so it is highly visible unlike the winter one when the days are short so the sight of it is less unsightly.	10/20/2016 9:53 AM

Q26 Would you like to comment on another event?

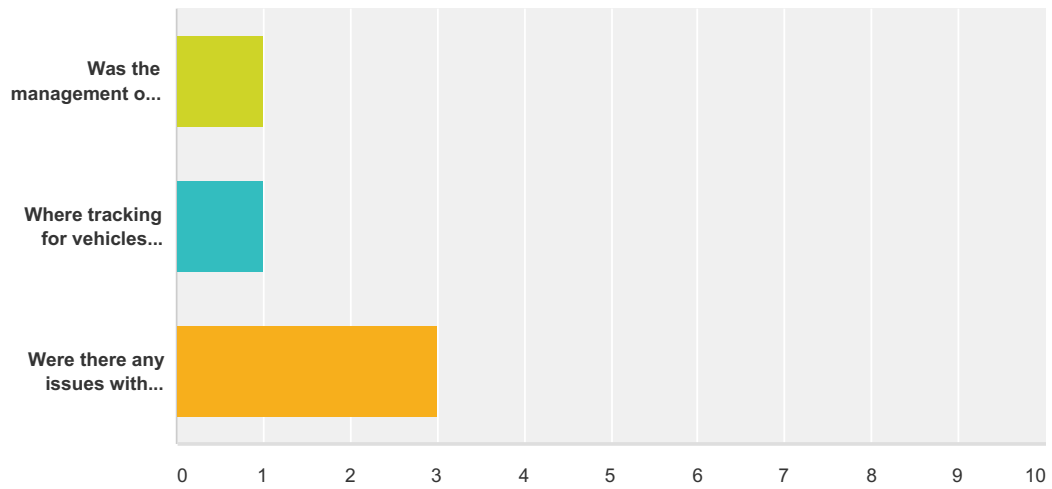
Answered: 11 Skipped: 188



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	45.45%	5
No	54.55%	6
Total		11

Q27 Leith Links - Leith Fun Fair 2016 Before, during and after the event:

Answered: 3 Skipped: 196

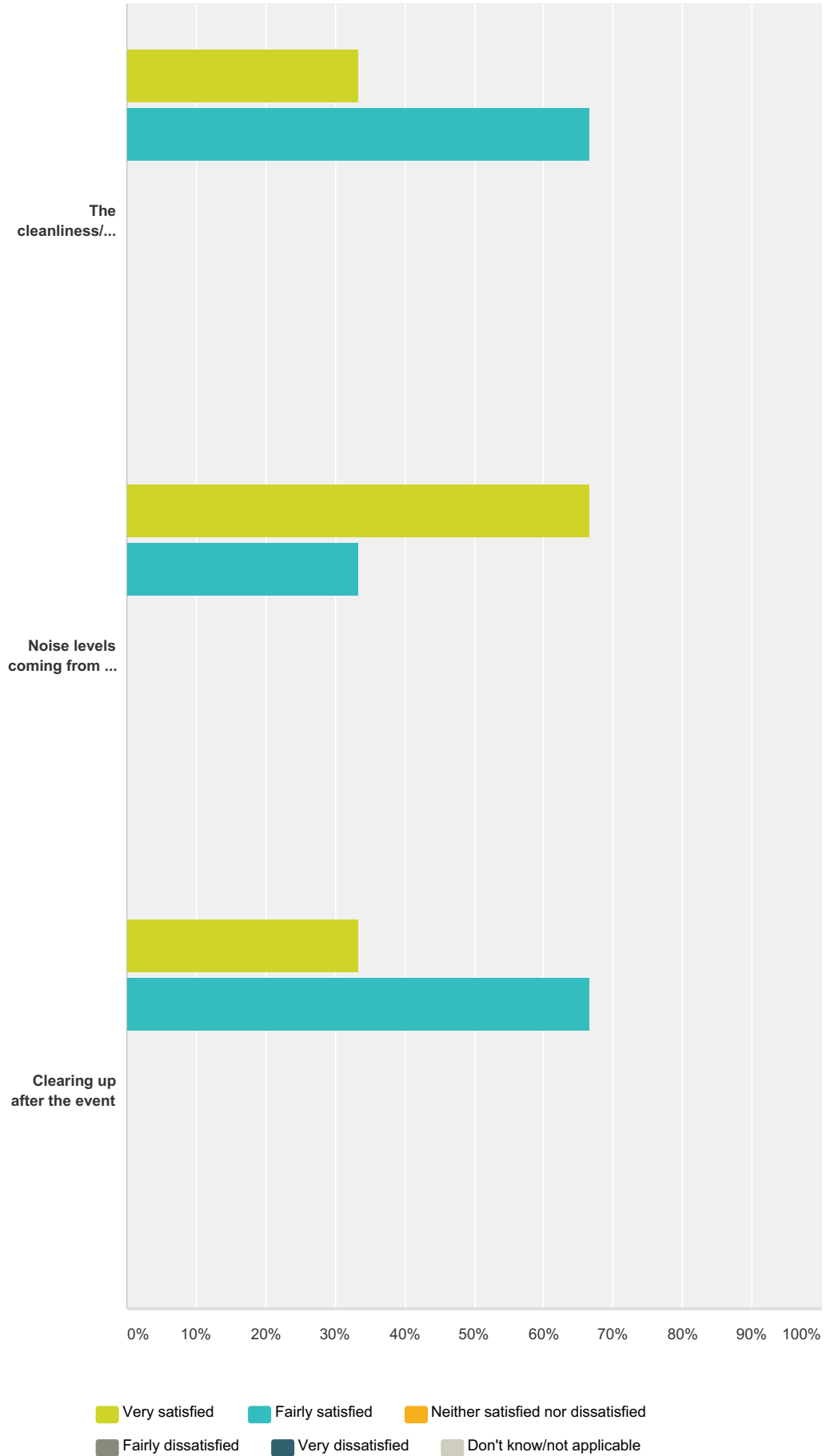


	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	100.00% 3	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	3	1.00
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	100.00% 3	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	3	1.00
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	100.00% 3	3	3.00

**Q28 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you
with:**

Answered: 3 Skipped: 196

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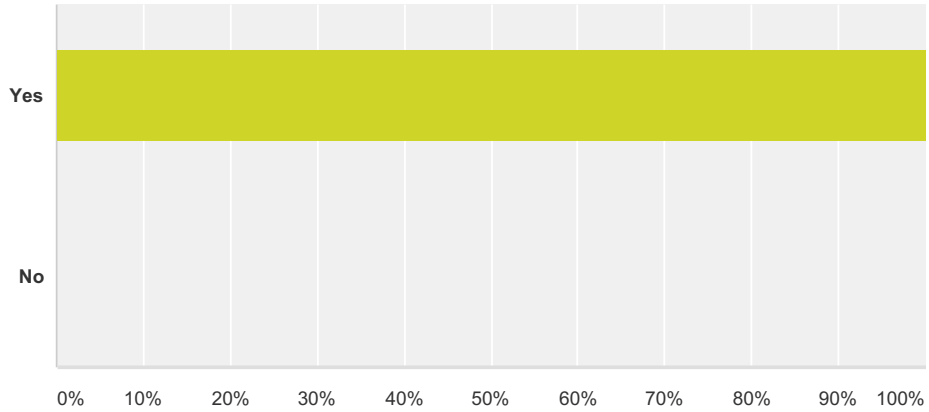


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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	33.33% 1	66.67% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	3
Noise levels coming from the event	66.67% 2	33.33% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	3
Clearing up after the event	33.33% 1	66.67% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	3

Q29 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

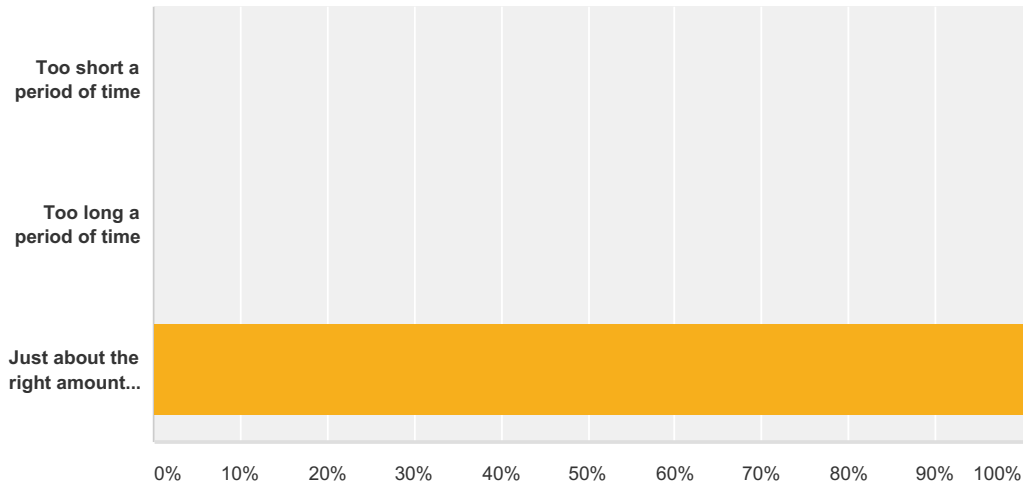
Answered: 3 Skipped: 196



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	100.00% 3
No	0.00% 0
Total	3

Q30 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 3 Skipped: 196



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	0.00% 0
Too long a period of time	0.00% 0
Just about the right amount of time	100.00% 3
Total	3

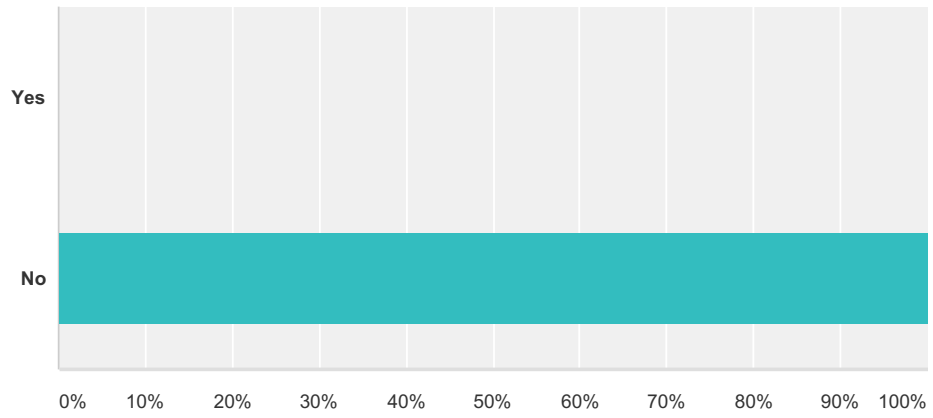
Q31 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 2 Skipped: 197

#	Responses	Date
1	Living near this event one might be worried about noise levels, but they always finished at a reasonable time. Kept quite clean.	11/8/2016 12:12 PM
2	TAYLOR'S FUNFAIR ARE IN LEITH AREA DURING THE LEITH FESTIVAL GALA DAY EVENT EACH YEAR, ON A THURSDAY AFTERNOON THE FUNFAIR OWNER OPENS EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE USE OF THE CHILDREN FROM THE LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS, AND PROVIDES JUICE AND SOME SWEETS FOR THE KIDS. MOST GENEROUS !!!!!	10/19/2016 9:23 PM

Q32 Would you like to comment on another event?

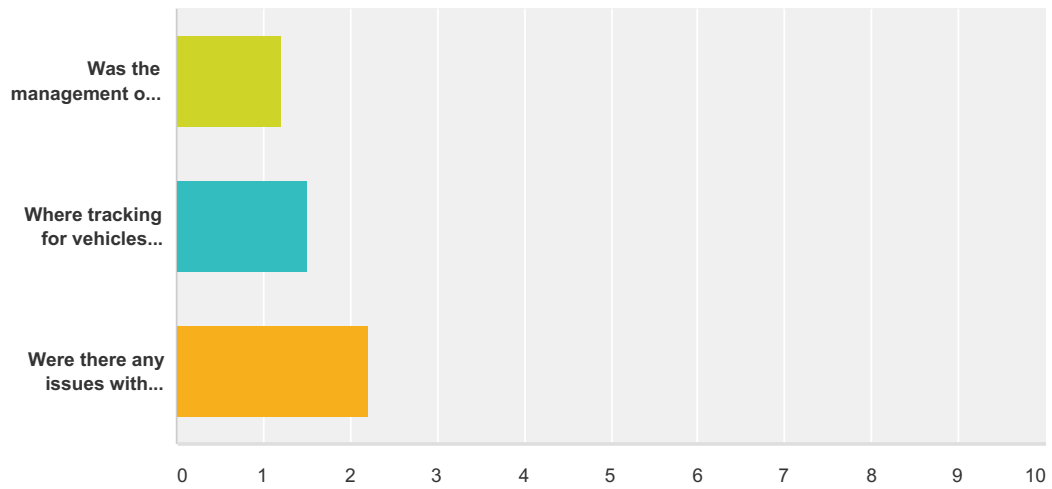
Answered: 3 Skipped: 196



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	0.00% 0
No	100.00% 3
Total	3

Q33 Leith Links - Leith Festival Gala Day 2016 Before, during and after the event:

Answered: 9 Skipped: 190

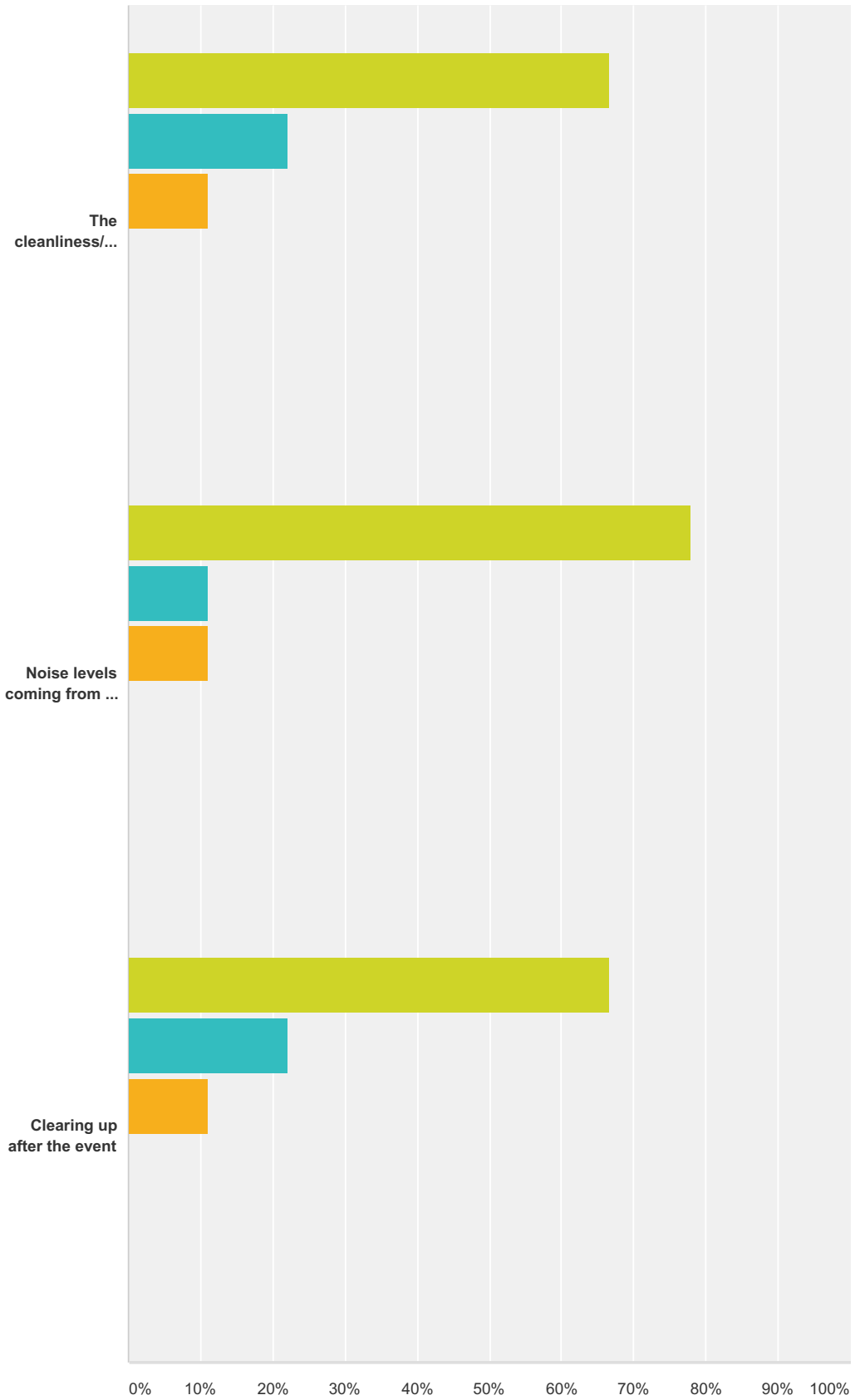


	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	88.89% 8	0.00% 0	11.11% 1	9	1.22
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	75.00% 6	0.00% 0	25.00% 2	8	1.50
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	0.00% 0	77.78% 7	22.22% 2	9	2.22

**Q34 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you
with:**

Answered: 9 Skipped: 190

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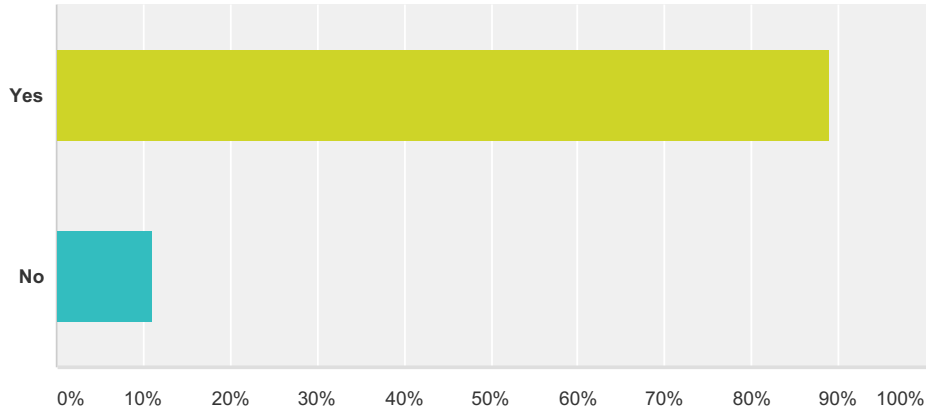
Very satisfied Fairly satisfied Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
Fairly dissatisfied Very dissatisfied Don't know/not applicable

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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	66.67% 6	22.22% 2	11.11% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	9
Noise levels coming from the event	77.78% 7	11.11% 1	11.11% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	9
Clearing up after the event	66.67% 6	22.22% 2	11.11% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	9

Q35 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

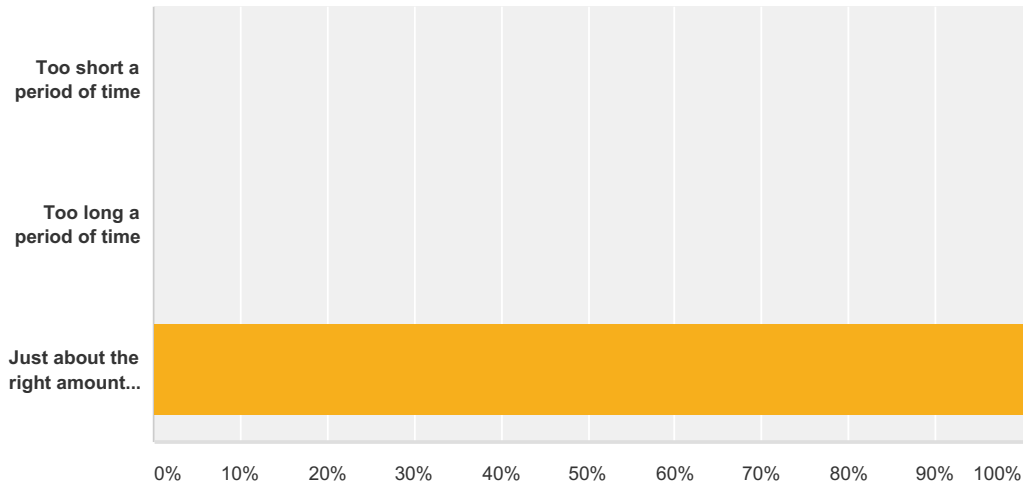
Answered: 9 Skipped: 190



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	88.89%	8
No	11.11%	1
Total		9

Q36 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 9 Skipped: 190



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	0.00% 0
Too long a period of time	0.00% 0
Just about the right amount of time	100.00% 9
Total	9

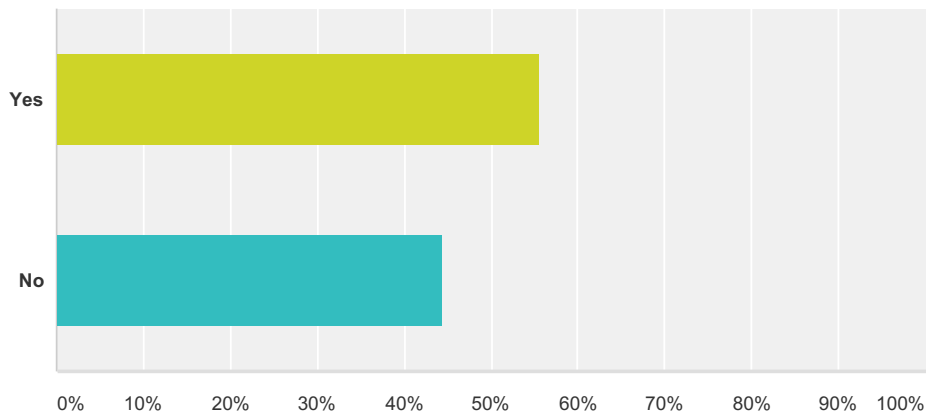
Q37 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 4 Skipped: 195

#	Responses	Date
1	er, didn't this event not take place?	11/8/2016 12:10 PM
2	This is traditional community-run event which needs to be supported	10/24/2016 4:37 PM
3	One of my favourite annual community events. Long may it continue!	10/21/2016 2:03 PM
4	LEITH FESTIVAL GALA DAY IS AN ANNUAL EVENT, ONE DAY IN EACH YEAR, ALL REQUIREMENTS LAID DOWN BY EPOG FOR AREA USED,TRAFFIC,ROADS,TOILETS, WASTE MANAGEMENT, FIRST AID, ARE ADHERED TO, GALA DAY IS A COMMUNITY EVENT INVOLVING LOCAL RESIDENTS,LOCAL CHURCHES,COUNCILLORS,TRADERS ETC.	10/19/2016 9:19 PM

Q38 Would you like to comment on another event?

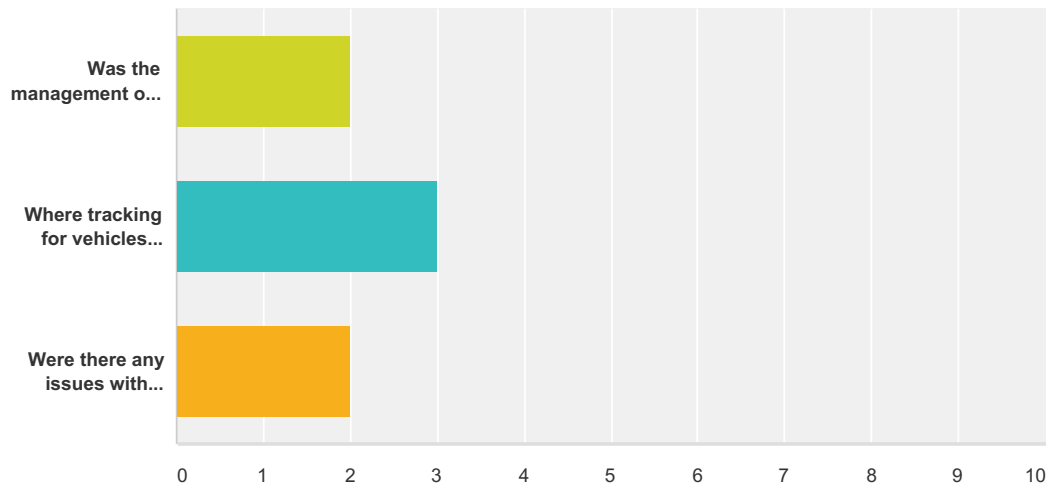
Answered: 9 Skipped: 190



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	55.56%	5
No	44.44%	4
Total		9

Q39 Calton Hill - Dusherra 2015 Before, during and after the event:

Answered: 1 Skipped: 198

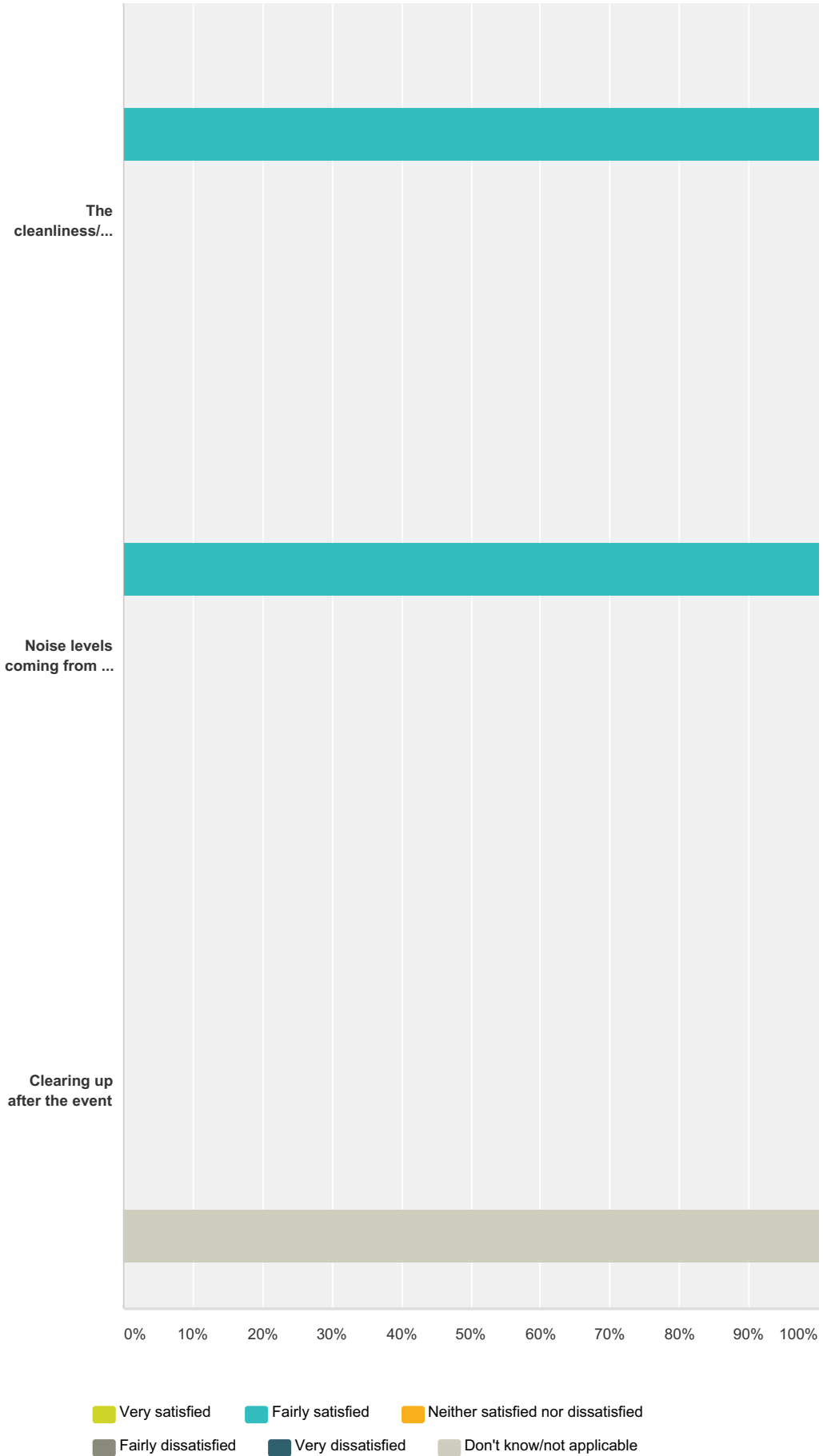


	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	0.00% 0	100.00% 1	0.00% 0	1	2.00
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	100.00% 1	1	3.00
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	0.00% 0	100.00% 1	0.00% 0	1	2.00

**Q40 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you
with:**

Answered: 1 Skipped: 198

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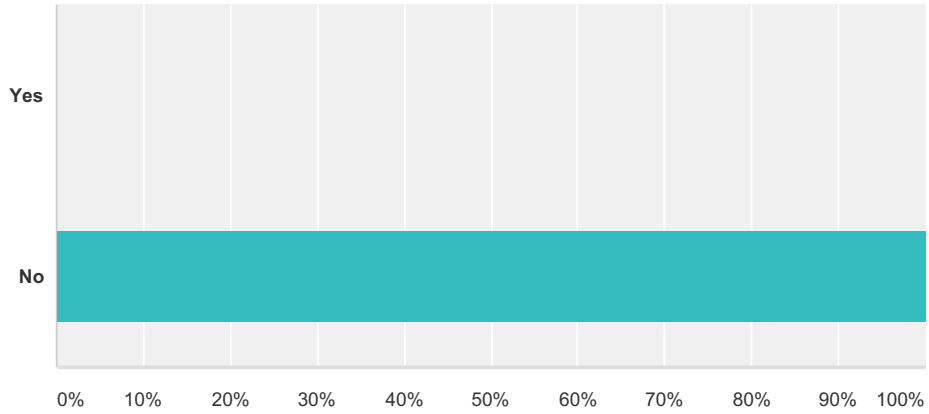


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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	0.00% 0	100.00% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	1
Noise levels coming from the event	0.00% 0	100.00% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	1
Clearing up after the event	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	100.00% 1	1

Q41 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

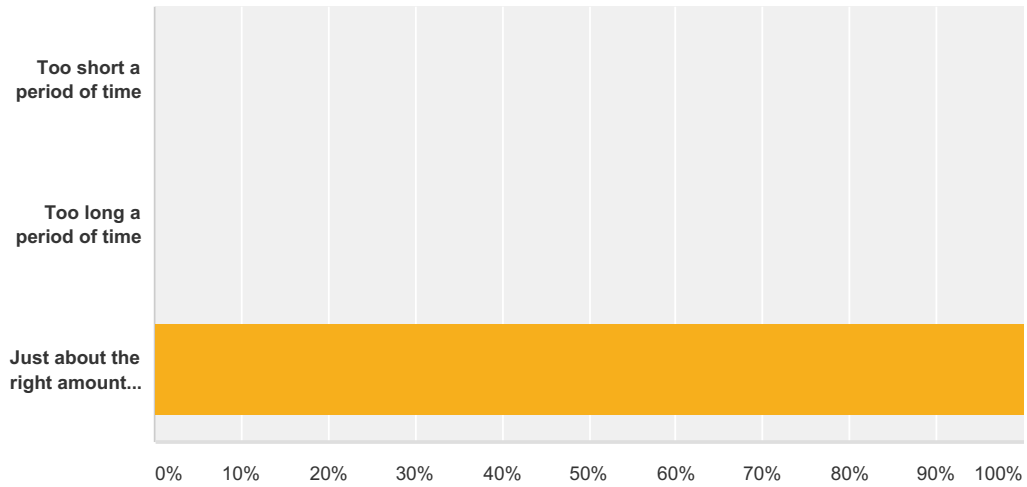
Answered: 1 Skipped: 198



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	0.00% 0
No	100.00% 1
Total	1

Q42 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 1 Skipped: 198



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	0.00% 0
Too long a period of time	0.00% 0
Just about the right amount of time	100.00% 1
Total	1

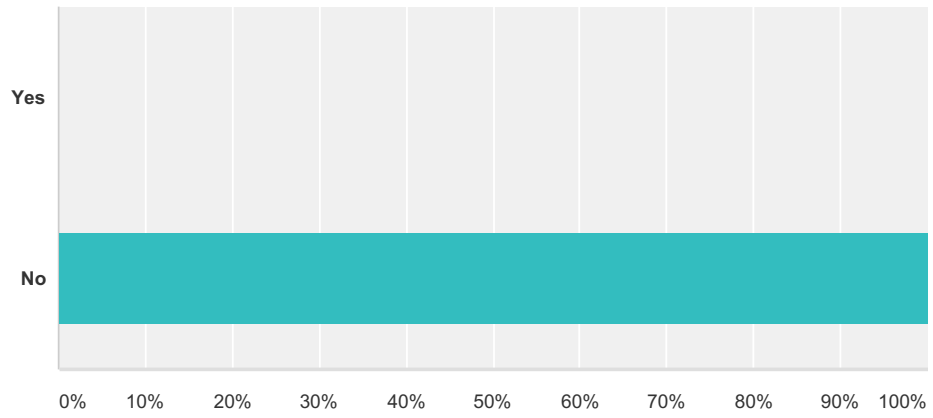
Q43 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 1 Skipped: 198

#	Responses	Date
1	Too many private cars, similar problem in 2016.	10/20/2016 11:24 AM

Q44 Would you like to comment on another event?

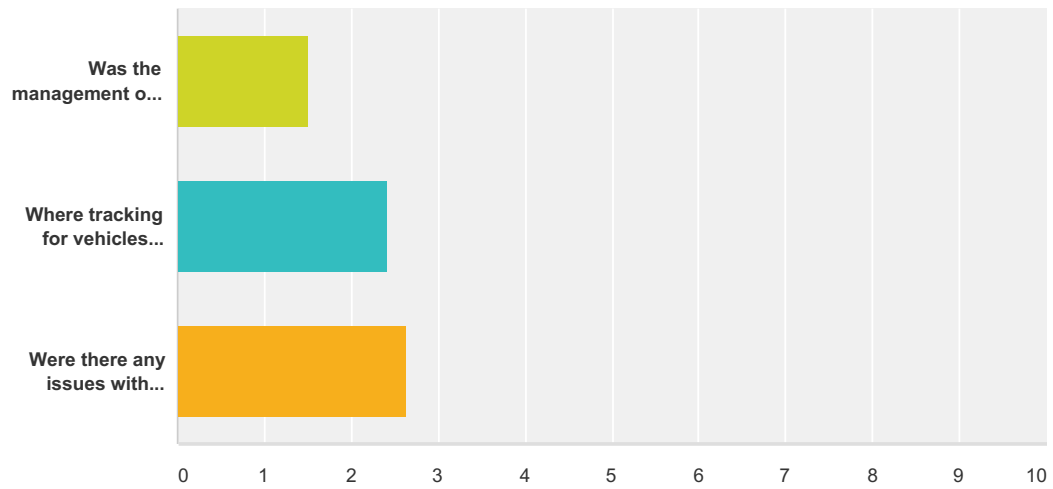
Answered: 1 Skipped: 198



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	0.00% 0
No	100.00% 1
Total	1

Q45 Calton Hill, Beltane Fire Festival 2016 Before, during and after the event:

Answered: 8 Skipped: 191

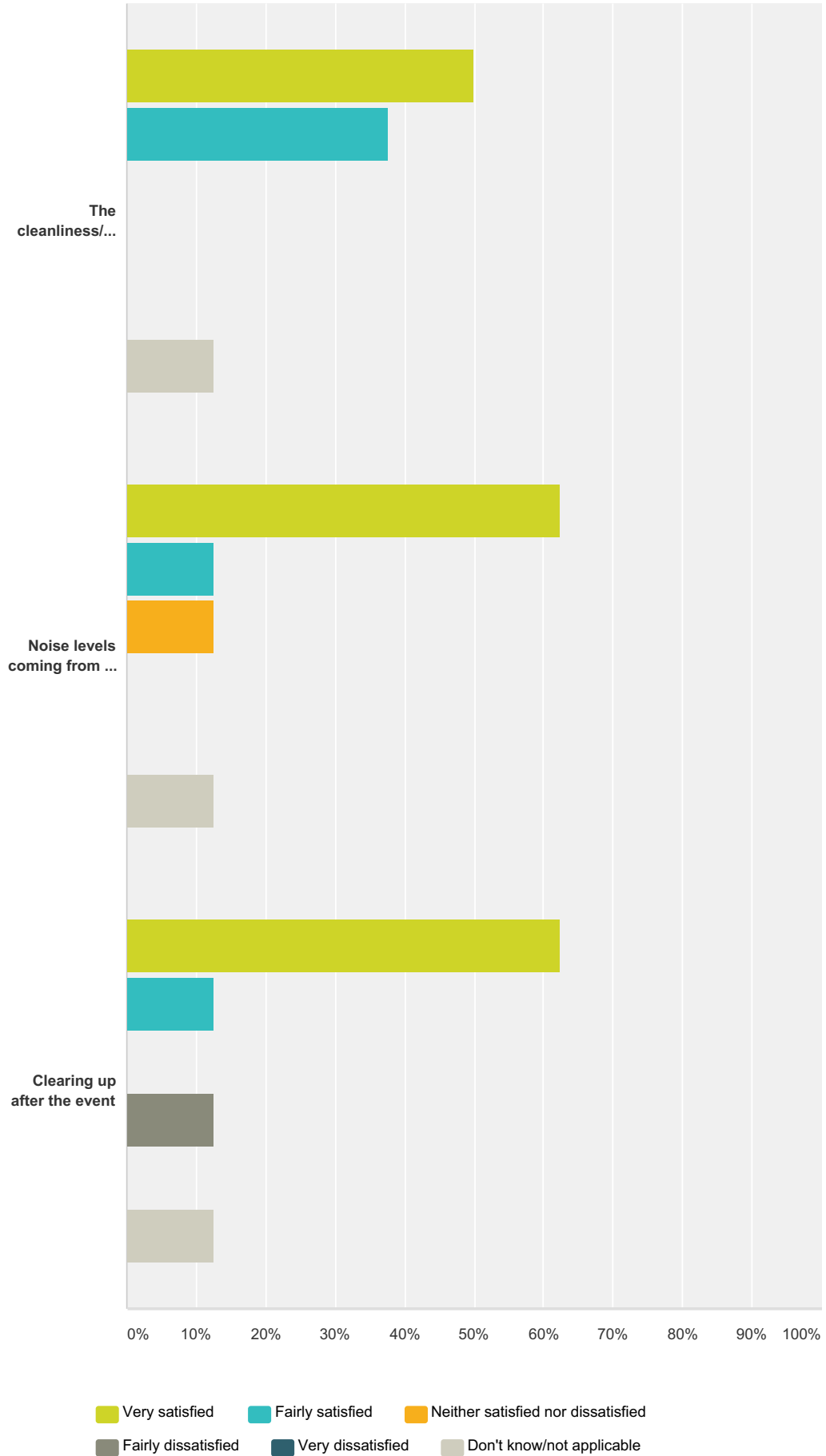


	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	75.00% 6	0.00% 0	25.00% 2	8	1.50
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	28.57% 2	0.00% 0	71.43% 5	7	2.43
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	0.00% 0	37.50% 3	62.50% 5	8	2.63

**Q46 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you
with:**

Answered: 8 Skipped: 191

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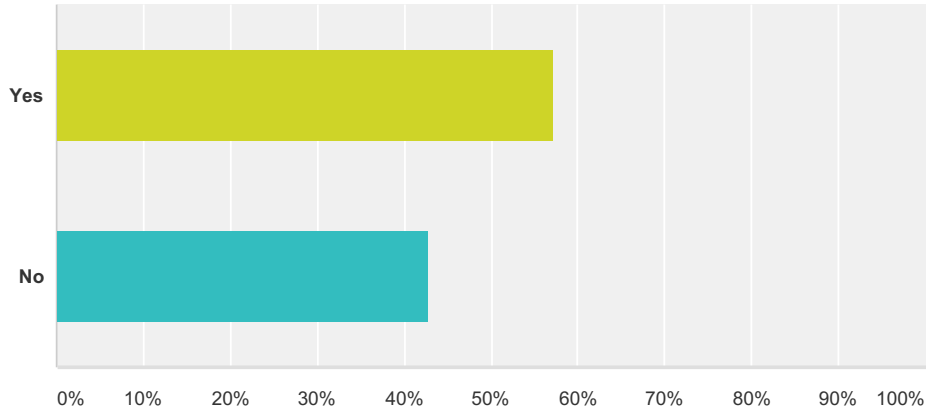


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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	50.00% 4	37.50% 3	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	12.50% 1	8
Noise levels coming from the event	62.50% 5	12.50% 1	12.50% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	12.50% 1	8
Clearing up after the event	62.50% 5	12.50% 1	0.00% 0	12.50% 1	0.00% 0	12.50% 1	8

Q47 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

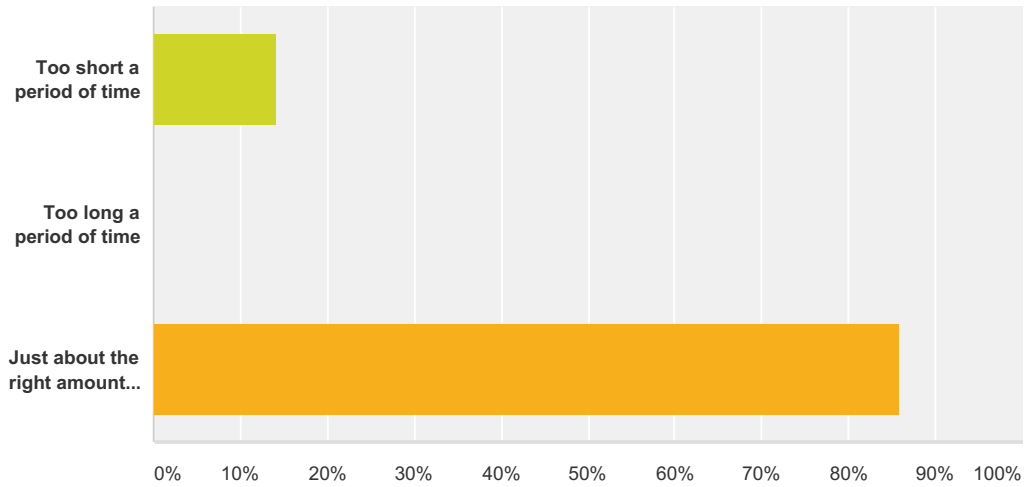
Answered: 7 Skipped: 192



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	57.14%	4
No	42.86%	3
Total		7

Q48 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 7 Skipped: 192



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	14.29% 1
Too long a period of time	0.00% 0
Just about the right amount of time	85.71% 6
Total	7

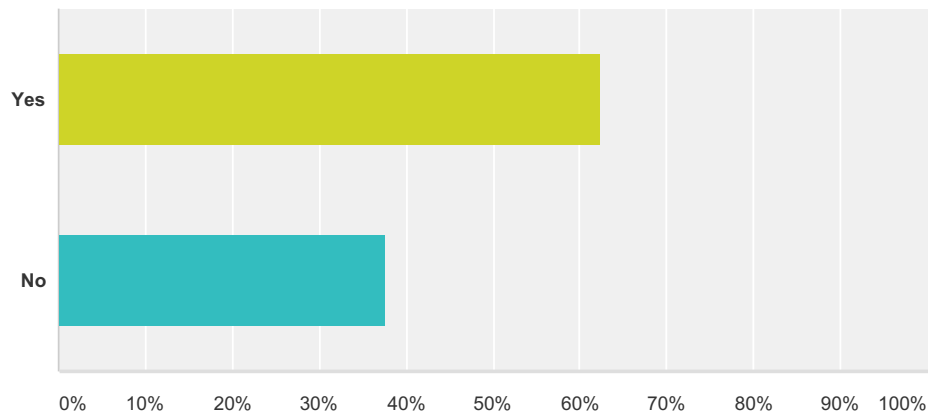
Q49 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 7 Skipped: 192

#	Responses	Date
1	A good use of the space, providing world-rekowned entertainment. Very well managed by staff and security and I'm impressed by the following day's clean-up.	11/8/2016 12:09 PM
2	This is an excellent use of public space, and should be supported to avoid commercialisation. It contrasts completely with the profiteering on the Meadows.	10/27/2016 12:37 PM
3	Brilliant! Keep it coming!	10/24/2016 4:39 PM
4	It was a great success. Long may it continue.	10/21/2016 2:00 PM
5	I find it rather daft that Beltane is forced to end early and people are made to leave the hill before the event is finished. There was no problem with the way Beltane used to be run, which was that people could stay on the hill as long as they still wanted to celebrate, and the clear up would happen after everyone left. I would strongly advocate going back to this previous way of holding the event.	10/20/2016 5:47 PM
6	There are far too many barriers.	10/20/2016 11:22 AM
7	It seemed very well organised, and the atmosphere was good-natured. No problems that I was aware of.	10/20/2016 10:39 AM

Q50 Would you like to comment on another event?

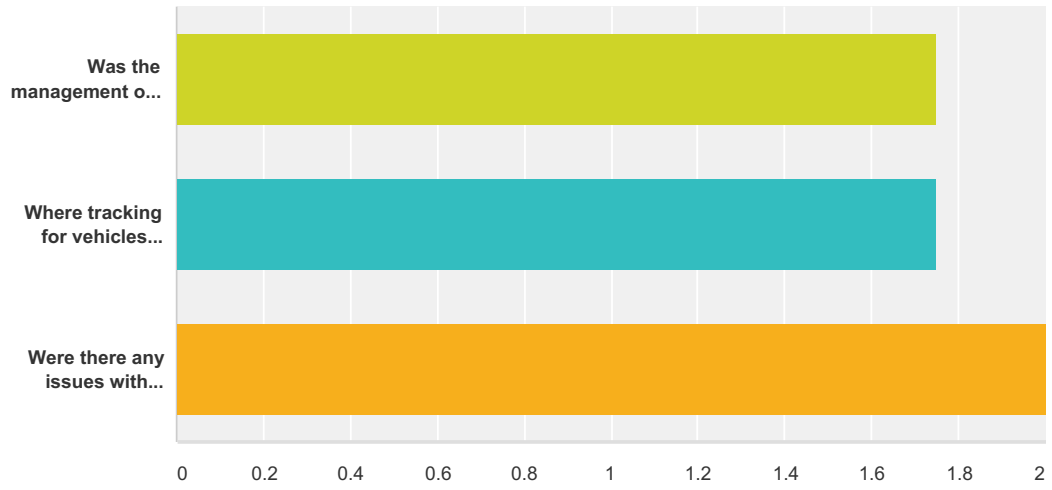
Answered: 8 Skipped: 191



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	62.50%	5
No	37.50%	3
Total		8

Q51 Meadows - Gung Ho 2016 Before, during and after the event:

Answered: 4 Skipped: 195

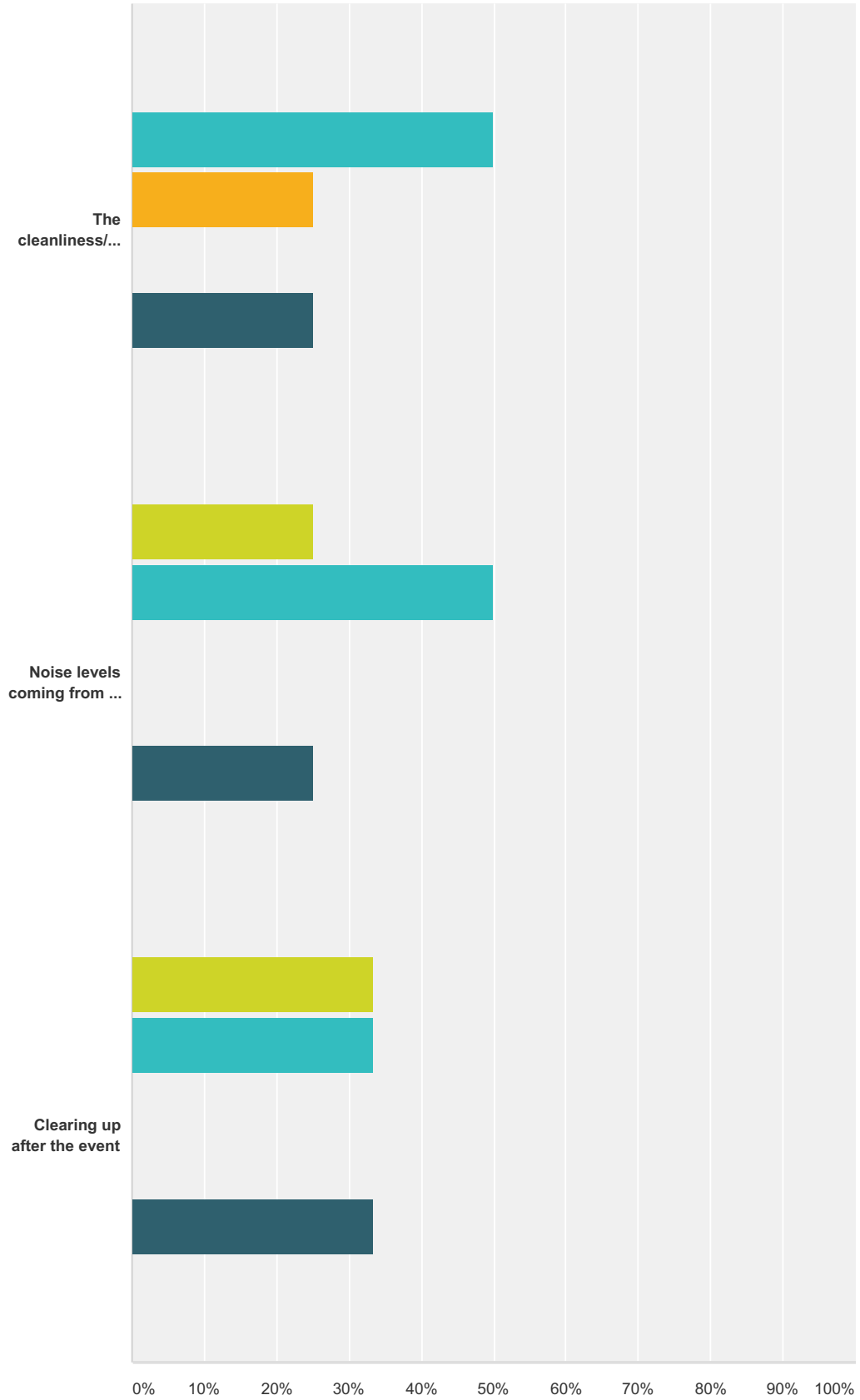


	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	50.00% 2	25.00% 1	25.00% 1	4	1.75
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	50.00% 2	25.00% 1	25.00% 1	4	1.75
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	25.00% 1	50.00% 2	25.00% 1	4	2.00

**Q52 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you
with:**

Answered: 4 Skipped: 195

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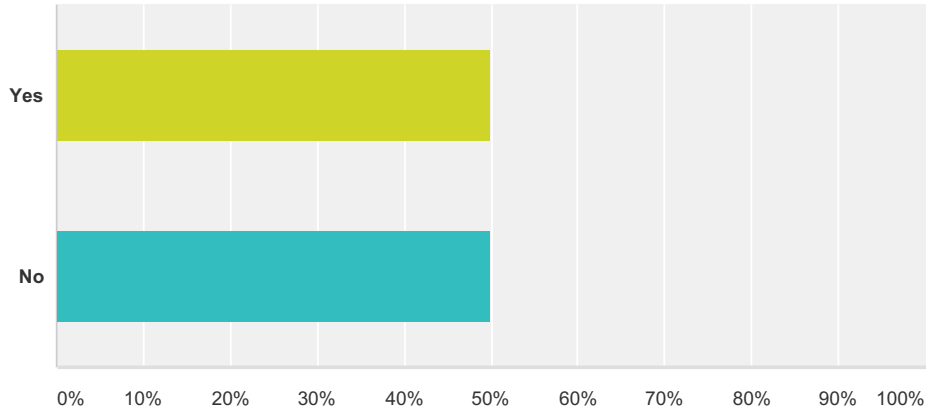
Very satisfied Fairly satisfied Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
Fairly dissatisfied Very dissatisfied Don't know/not applicable

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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	0.00% 0	50.00% 2	25.00% 1	0.00% 0	25.00% 1	0.00% 0	4
Noise levels coming from the event	25.00% 1	50.00% 2	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	25.00% 1	0.00% 0	4
Clearing up after the event	33.33% 1	33.33% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	33.33% 1	0.00% 0	3

Q53 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

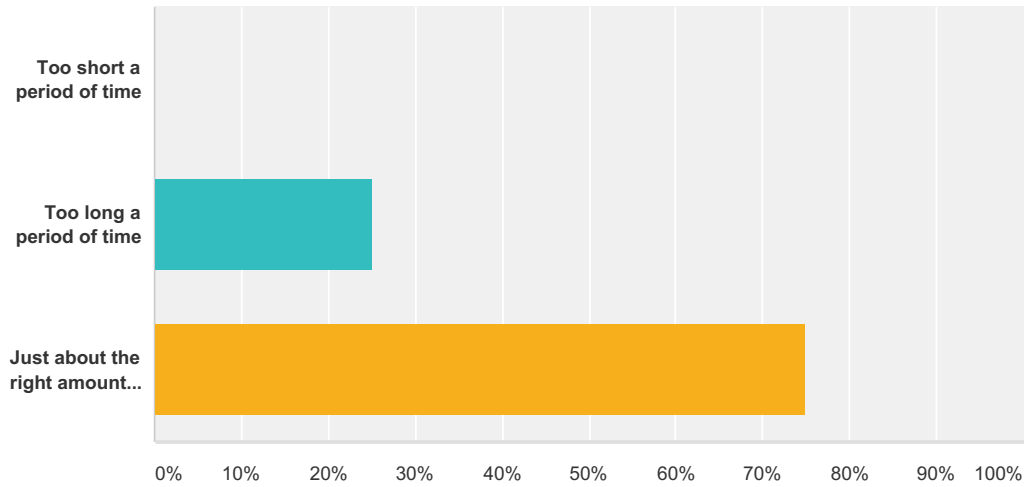
Answered: 4 Skipped: 195



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	50.00% 2
No	50.00% 2
Total	4

Q54 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 4 Skipped: 195



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	0.00% 0
Too long a period of time	25.00% 1
Just about the right amount of time	75.00% 3
Total	4

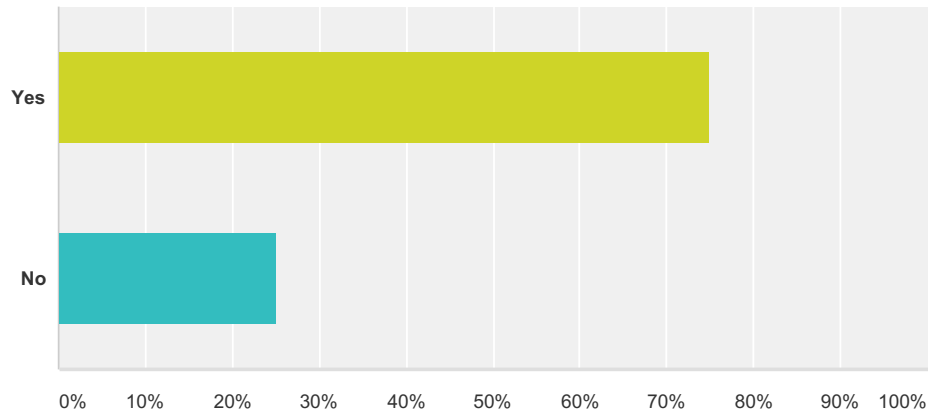
Q55 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 0 Skipped: 199

#	Responses	Date
	There are no responses.	

Q56 Would you like to comment on another event?

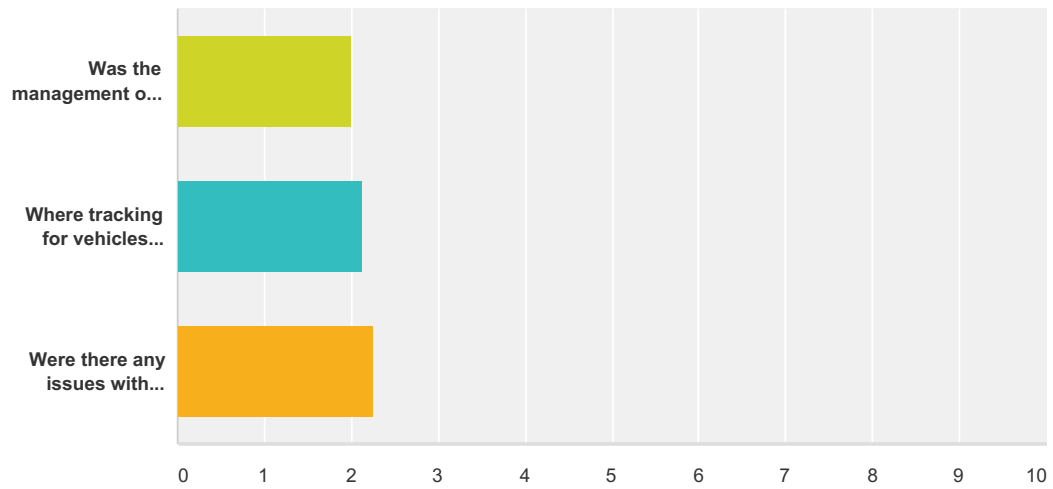
Answered: 4 Skipped: 195



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	75.00%	3
No	25.00%	1
Total		4

Q57 Meadows - Festival Fun Fair 2016 Before, during and after the event:

Answered: 8 Skipped: 191

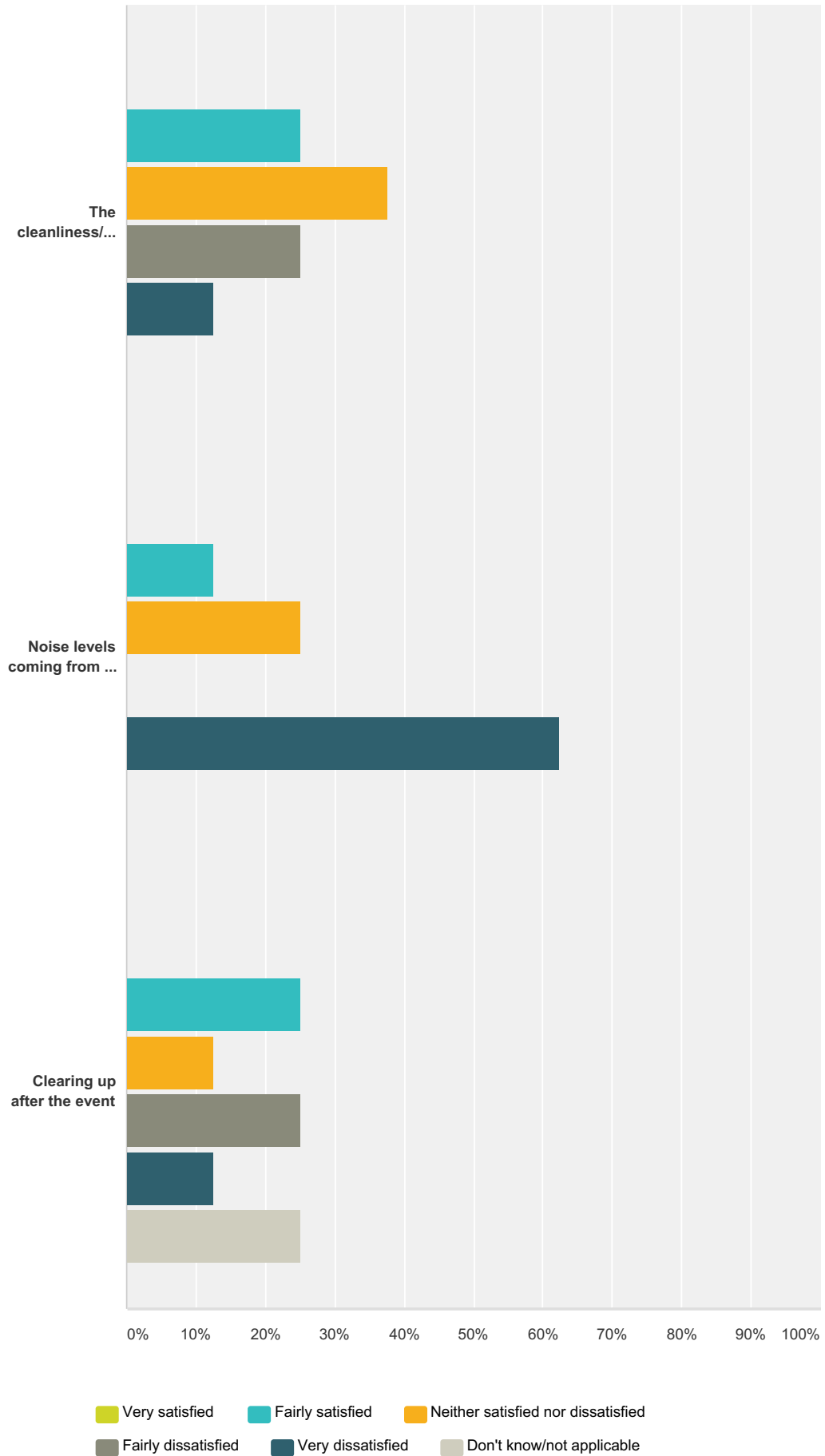


	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	37.50% 3	25.00% 2	37.50% 3	8	2.00
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	37.50% 3	12.50% 1	50.00% 4	8	2.13
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	25.00% 2	25.00% 2	50.00% 4	8	2.25

**Q58 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you
with:**

Answered: 8 Skipped: 191

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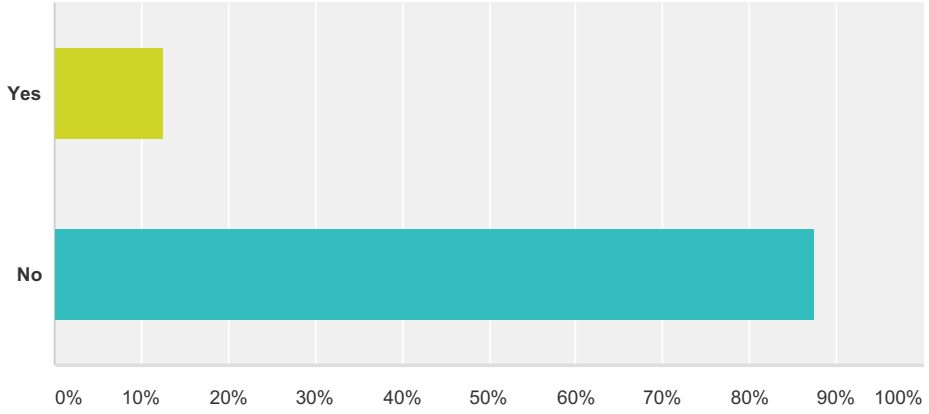


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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	0.00% 0	25.00% 2	37.50% 3	25.00% 2	12.50% 1	0.00% 0	8
Noise levels coming from the event	0.00% 0	12.50% 1	25.00% 2	0.00% 0	62.50% 5	0.00% 0	8
Clearing up after the event	0.00% 0	25.00% 2	12.50% 1	25.00% 2	12.50% 1	25.00% 2	8

Q59 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

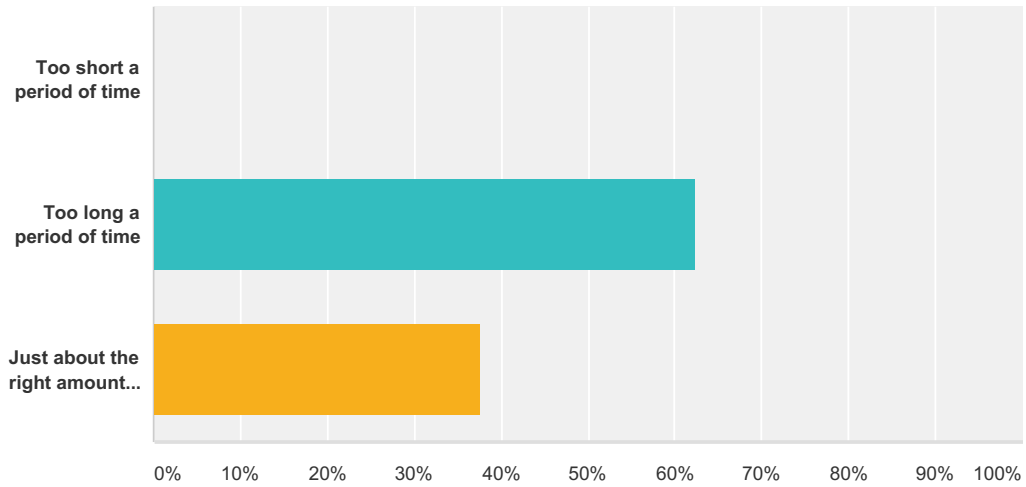
Answered: 8 Skipped: 191



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	12.50%	1
No	87.50%	7
Total		8

Q60 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 8 Skipped: 191



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	0.00% 0
Too long a period of time	62.50% 5
Just about the right amount of time	37.50% 3
Total	8

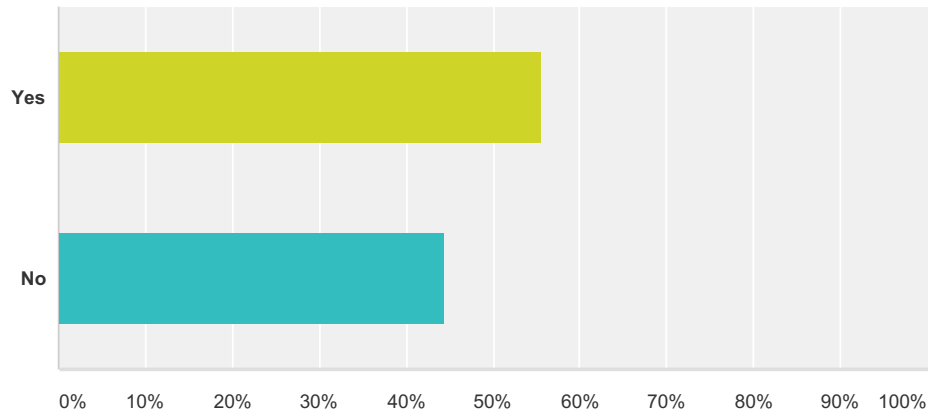
Q61 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 4 Skipped: 195

#	Responses	Date
1	Tollcross Community Council has a policy of limiting all commercial events to a maximum of 15 days and to rest the ground every three years from commercial events, thus leaving it fallow for one year in four.	11/16/2016 9:52 AM
2	It was very noisy, and I had to make a complaint to the police about this. It is a pity that it is associated with the Meadows Festival, which is well managed.	10/25/2016 10:57 AM
3	Once again the noise levels were unacceptable, and spoiled the neighbouring Meadows Festival.	10/20/2016 11:37 AM
4	It is not the principle of the fair being there - But is is very close to the hospital and residential houses. At least it stopped at a reasonable time, IIRC sometimes before it was due to end.	10/20/2016 10:04 AM

Q62 Would you like to comment on another event?

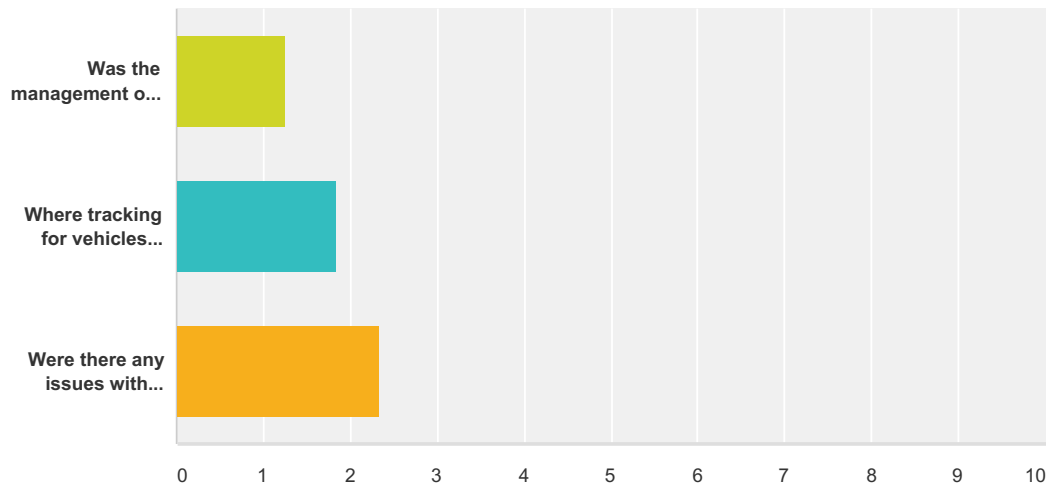
Answered: 9 Skipped: 190



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	55.56%	5
No	44.44%	4
Total		9

Q63 Meadows - Festival 2016 Before, during and after the event:

Answered: 12 Skipped: 187

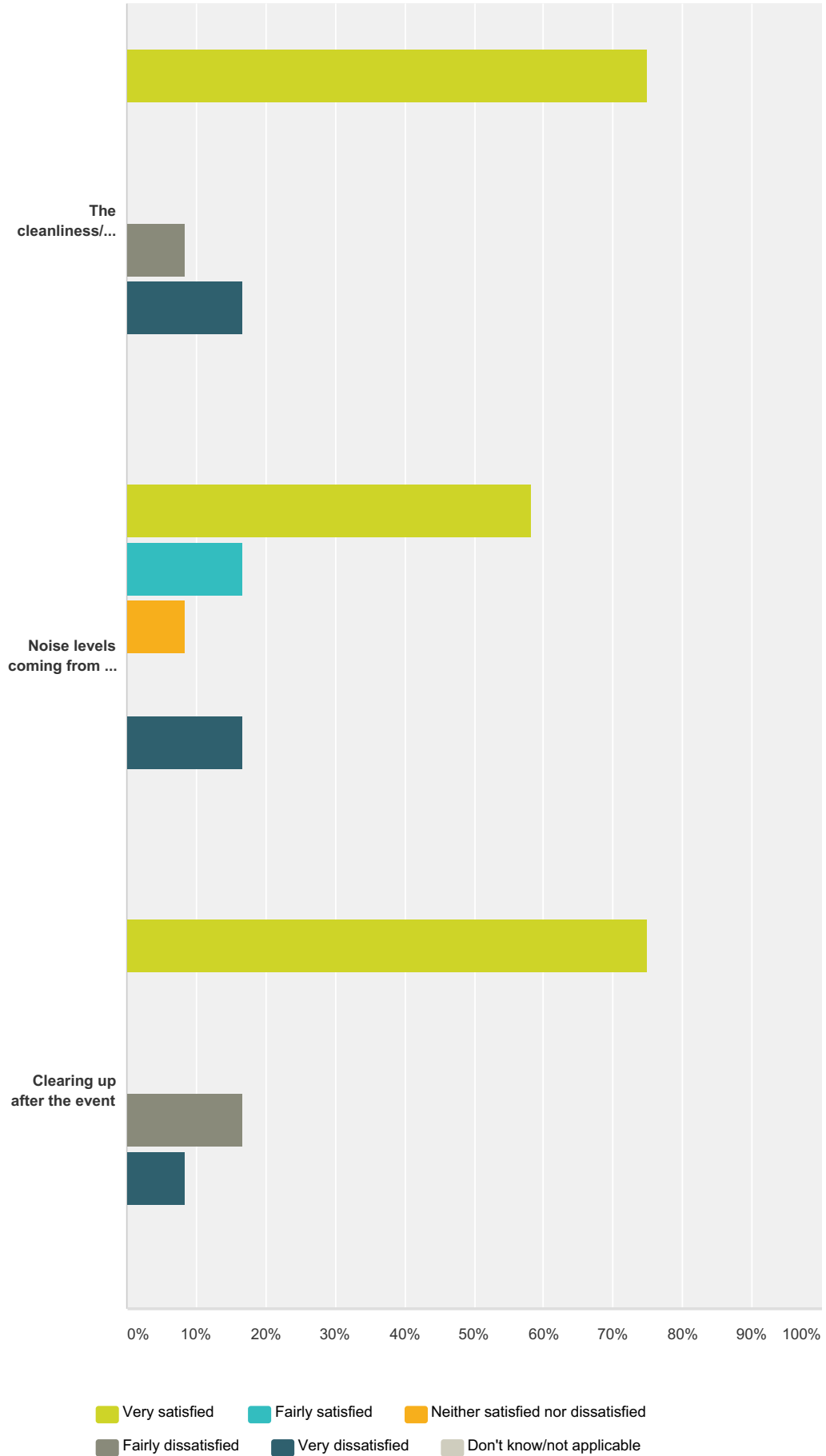


	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	83.33% 10	8.33% 1	8.33% 1	12	1.25
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	50.00% 6	16.67% 2	33.33% 4	12	1.83
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	8.33% 1	50.00% 6	41.67% 5	12	2.33

**Q64 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you
with:**

Answered: 12 Skipped: 187

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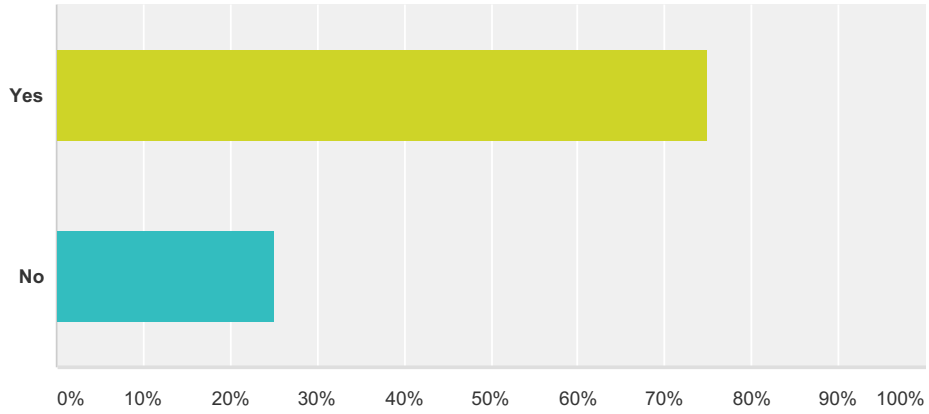


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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	75.00% 9	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	8.33% 1	16.67% 2	0.00% 0	12
Noise levels coming from the event	58.33% 7	16.67% 2	8.33% 1	0.00% 0	16.67% 2	0.00% 0	12
Clearing up after the event	75.00% 9	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	16.67% 2	8.33% 1	0.00% 0	12

Q65 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

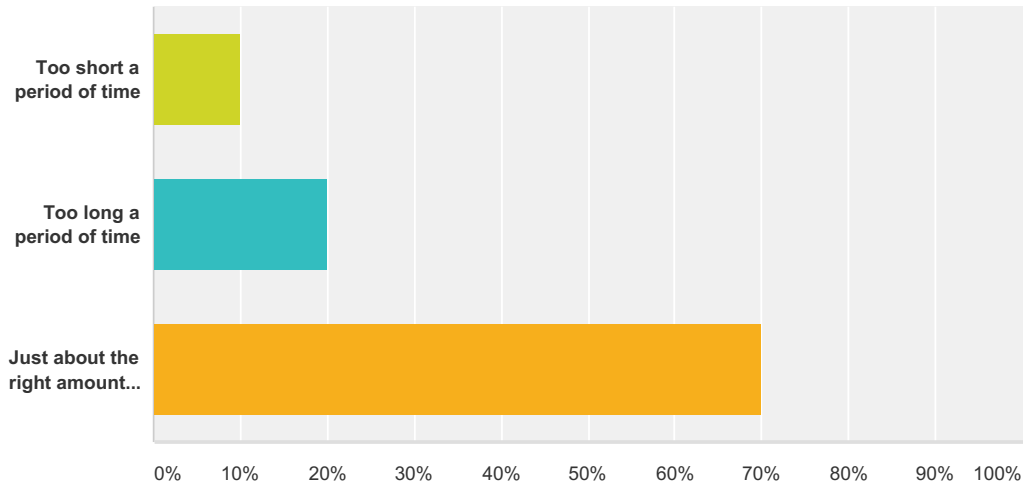
Answered: 12 Skipped: 187



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	75.00%	9
No	25.00%	3
Total		12

Q66 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 10 Skipped: 189



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	10.00% 1
Too long a period of time	20.00% 2
Just about the right amount of time	70.00% 7
Total	10

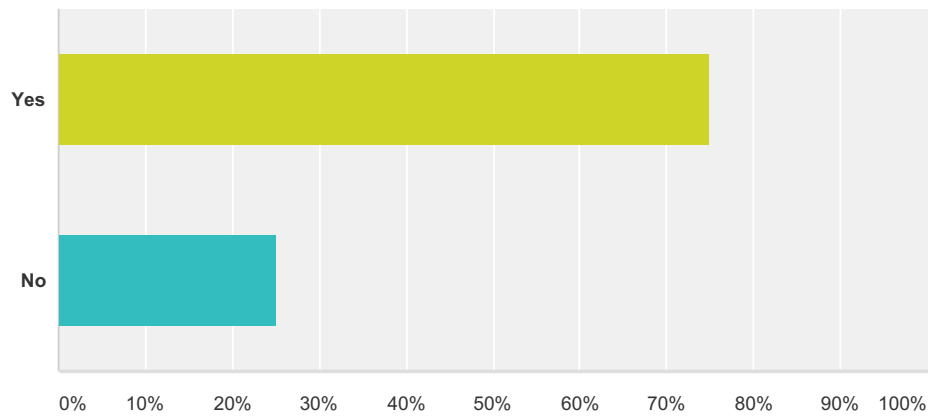
Q67 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 8 Skipped: 191

#	Responses	Date
1	wonderful community event	11/17/2016 7:13 PM
2	Great to see Meadows used for community purposes	10/27/2016 4:23 PM
3	This is a proper event for the Meadows	10/26/2016 11:37 PM
4	The weather was exceptionally fine during this weekend, and attendance was at record levels. It was an enjoyable event, spoiled only by the odd illicit barbecue on the grass.	10/25/2016 10:55 AM
5	Another great event for the City. Long may it continue.	10/21/2016 2:00 PM
6	The event was excellent as ever, however i do feel the event could perhaps go on a little longer, as the stalls all packed down at 5, with so much sunlight left, i feel an extra hour or 2 would be amazing, especially if the weather was like it was this year!	10/20/2016 9:18 PM
7	The clean up and litter/recycling for this event lacked effort and the park was in a state after the event	10/20/2016 2:57 PM
8	This is the kind of event that the Meadows should be hosting: a community event in which the whole population can engage. This year the weather was exceptionally good and it was well managed. The only problem was the occasional barbecue on the grass: not enough Park Ranger presence to make sure that offenders are reprimanded.	10/20/2016 11:35 AM

Q68 Would you like to comment on another event?

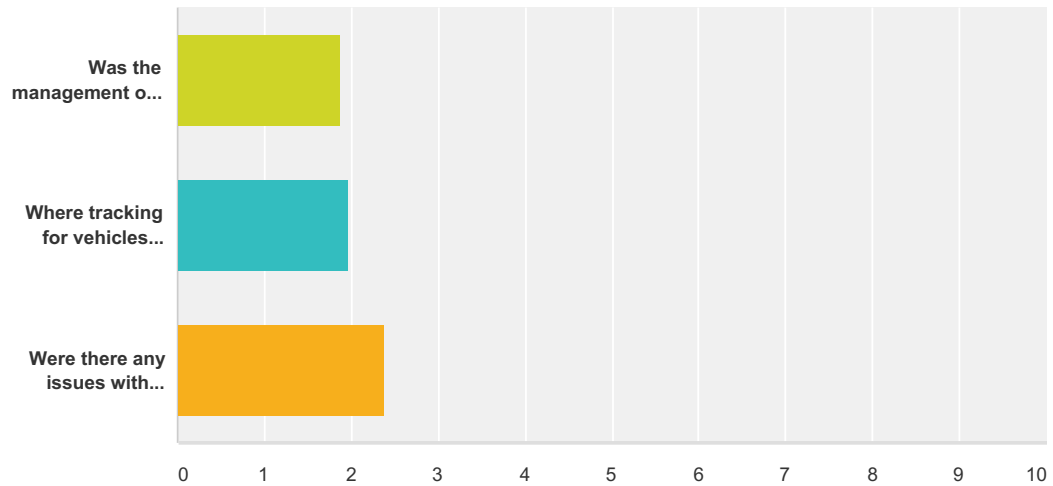
Answered: 12 Skipped: 187



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	75.00%	9
No	25.00%	3
Total		12

Q69 Meadows - Fringe Festival Event - Underbelly Circus Hub 2016 Before, during and after the event:

Answered: 28 Skipped: 171



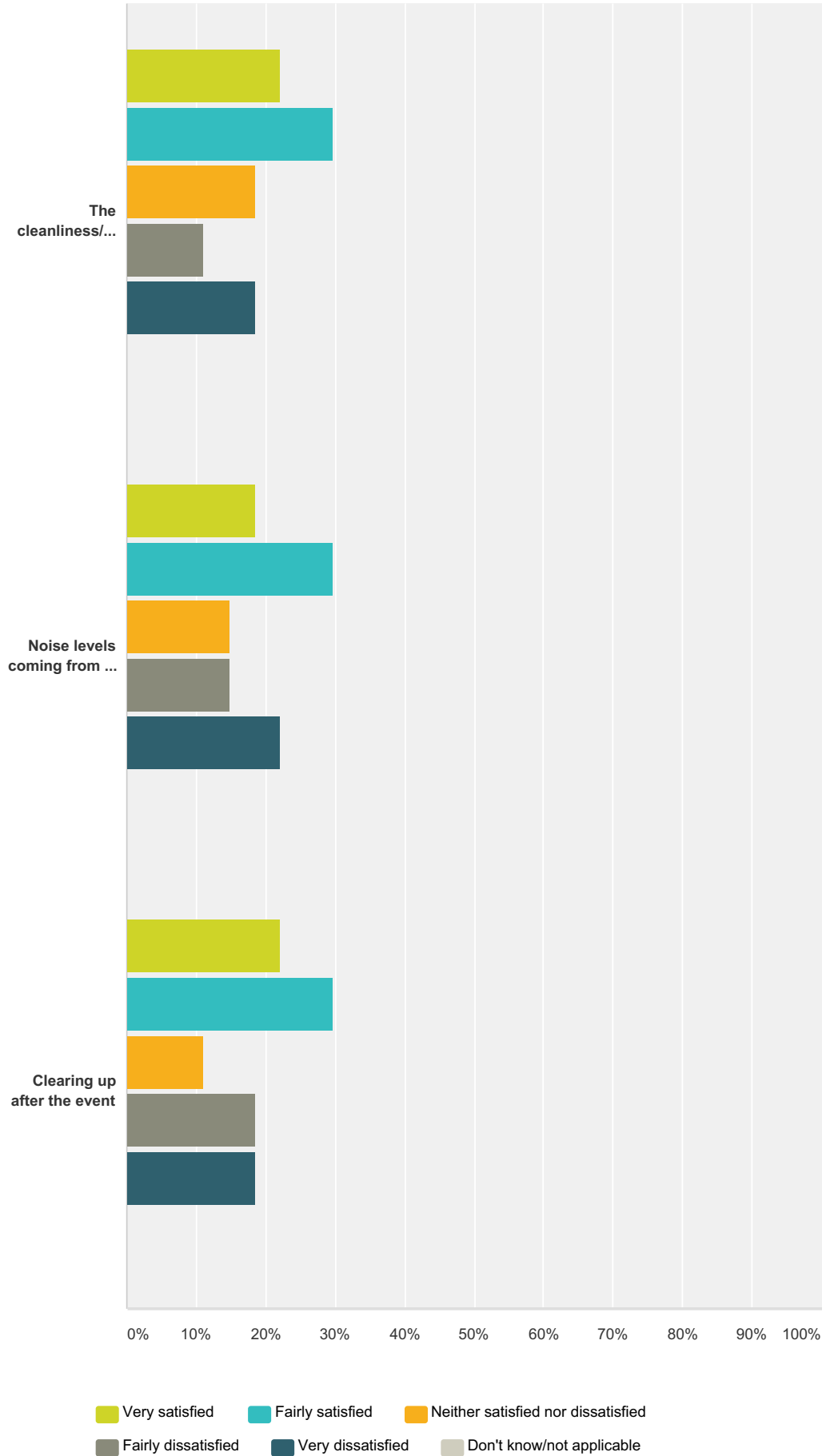
	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	46.15% 12	19.23% 5	34.62% 9	26	1.88
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	30.77% 8	42.31% 11	26.92% 7	26	1.96
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	17.39% 4	26.09% 6	56.52% 13	23	2.39

#	Comments for "Was the management of traffic adequate?"	Date
	There are no responses.	
#	Comments for "Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)"	Date
	There are no responses.	
#	Comments for "Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?"	Date
	There are no responses.	

**Q70 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you
with:**

Answered: 27 Skipped: 172

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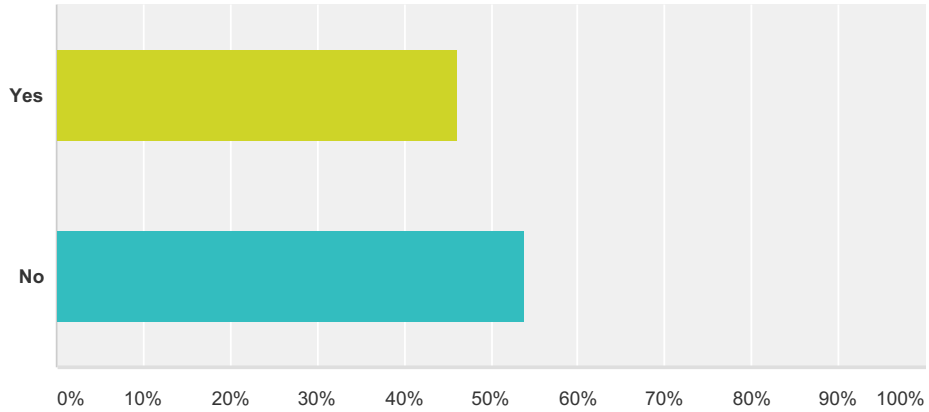


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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	22.22% 6	29.63% 8	18.52% 5	11.11% 3	18.52% 5	0.00% 0	27
Noise levels coming from the event	18.52% 5	29.63% 8	14.81% 4	14.81% 4	22.22% 6	0.00% 0	27
Clearing up after the event	22.22% 6	29.63% 8	11.11% 3	18.52% 5	18.52% 5	0.00% 0	27

Q71 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

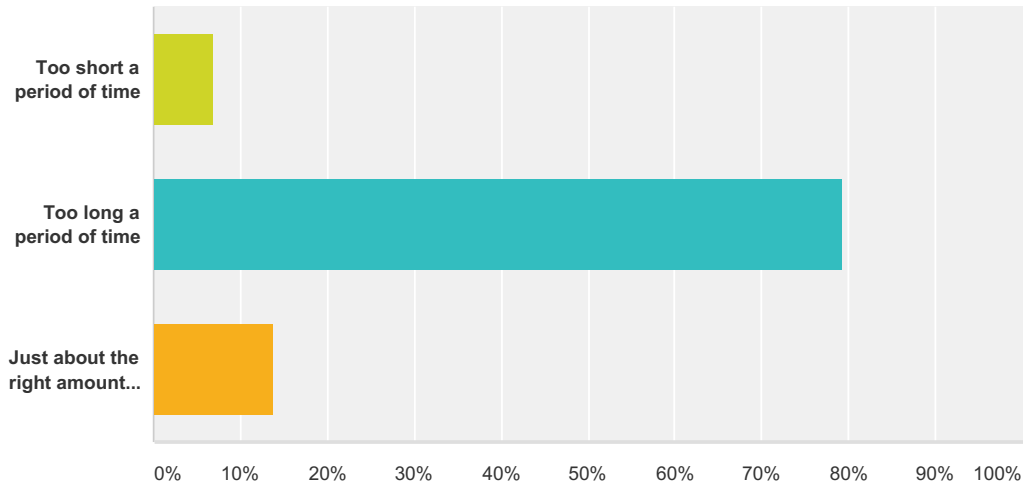
Answered: 26 Skipped: 173



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	46.15% 12
No	53.85% 14
Total	26

Q72 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 29 Skipped: 170



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	6.90% 2
Too long a period of time	79.31% 23
Just about the right amount of time	13.79% 4
Total	29

#	Do you have any comments?	Date
	There are no responses.	

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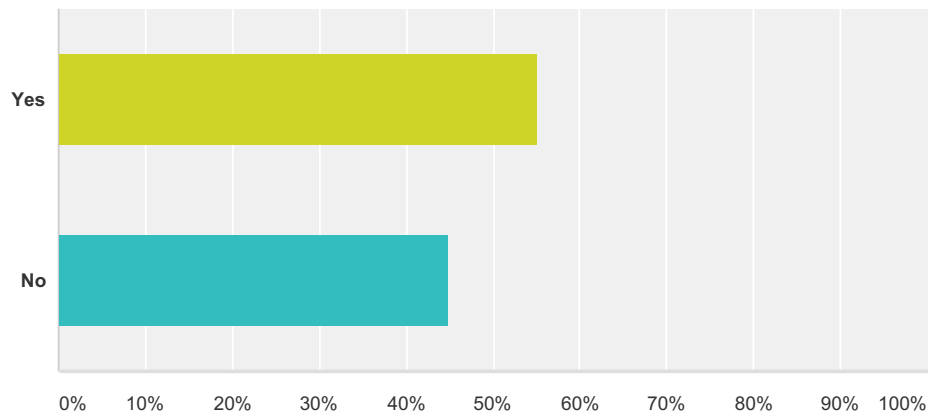
Q73 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 20 Skipped: 179

#	Responses	Date
1	better than Ladyboys but still there too long	11/17/2016 7:13 PM
2	The event was. very expensive and poor entertainment	11/16/2016 9:36 PM
3	as per usual with most CEC-commissioned questionnaires, I am not sure that all of the above questions are actually relevant for most members of the public	11/16/2016 11:41 AM
4	Tollcross Community Council has a policy of limiting all commercial events to a maximum of 15 days and to rest the ground every three years from commercial events, thus leaving it fallow for one year in four.	11/16/2016 9:50 AM
5	Ripped up the grass, left behind a mess of our nice public space	11/14/2016 10:53 AM
6	used public space for private gain was too long and was destructive of the green	10/31/2016 10:53 PM
7	An improvement on previous years	10/30/2016 8:24 AM
8	the council make a load of money from this event, or so we may ssume. The consequence, though is that the grass dies and makes the ground in bad heart as it also kills off natural aeration of the soil. The meadows is so called because it once was used to for animals. i have an Edwardian photo of sheep in front of the infirmary. Now farm animals have been replaced by human beings...we however still need grass, contact with nature....mud does not do it.	10/27/2016 10:27 PM
9	Very well run - very friendly people and a good 'family-type' venue which is what is best on the Meadows.	10/27/2016 10:10 AM
10	this is a public park not a commercial zone	10/26/2016 11:34 PM
11	While the Underbelly was camped on the Meadows, that area was inaccessible unless you were paying to go in to the shows. However, its impact was nto confined to the area it occupied - noise, litter and and overall feeling of "takeover" affected all of that end of the Meadows.	10/26/2016 8:12 PM
12	grass doesn't get enough chance to grow after such a long event, even though the event was very well run and very much better than the previous tenants [ladyboys] there have been many requests to keep the length of events to 15 days but they have been ignored how many more surveys and studies are needed to prove the obvious???	10/26/2016 12:32 PM
13	Fifteen days should be the maximum duration for any event on the Meadows, in common with other Edinburgh parks. Any longer results in long-term damage to this important piece of grassland. Also, the barbeque control system was another failure this year, with hundreds of new scorched patches. There are only two workable solutions: either limit them to small, clearly marked areas, or a complete ban.	10/26/2016 12:21 PM
14	Once again the site was occupied for over a month, unlike in the other Edinburgh parks, where events are only allowed for 15 days. After a month inevitably the grass dies and has to be re-seeded on this particular site, where it is not possible to re-turf owing to draining issues. The site is still not usable, there are holes in it, and the grass is only re-growing patchily. We should not have to revisit this issue year after year, when previous consultations have shown a majority in favour of a shorter event on this site.	10/25/2016 10:53 AM
15	The Meadows should be free of any events during the summer so that it is fully available for local people. Too many other potential grassy play areas are unavailable during the school summer holidays because of the festivals.	10/24/2016 7:07 PM
16	The clearing up after this event takes too long. This area of the Meadows is not available for the general public for some weeks after the event, and it can take months before it is fully recovered.	10/24/2016 5:18 PM
17	Another great event for the City. Long may it continue.	10/21/2016 2:02 PM
18	The venue staff were particularly helpful and pleasant. The event I attended was extremely well run and offered a chance to see an exceptional performer in an unusual space.	10/20/2016 12:12 PM
19	Once again, the site has still not recovered, in spite of sterling work by the Parks staff. It is unacceptable for any event to be on-site for more than a fortnight.	10/20/2016 11:32 AM
20	Not appropriate venue	10/20/2016 9:49 AM

Q74 Would you like to comment on another event?

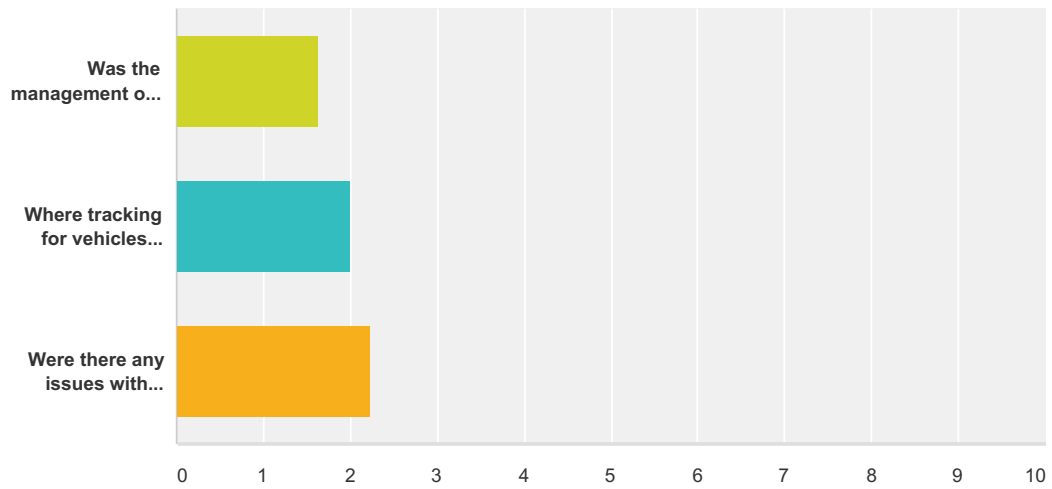
Answered: 29 Skipped: 170



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	55.17%	16
No	44.83%	13
Total		29

Q75 Meadows - Fringe Funfair 2016 Before, during and after the event:

Answered: 13 Skipped: 186

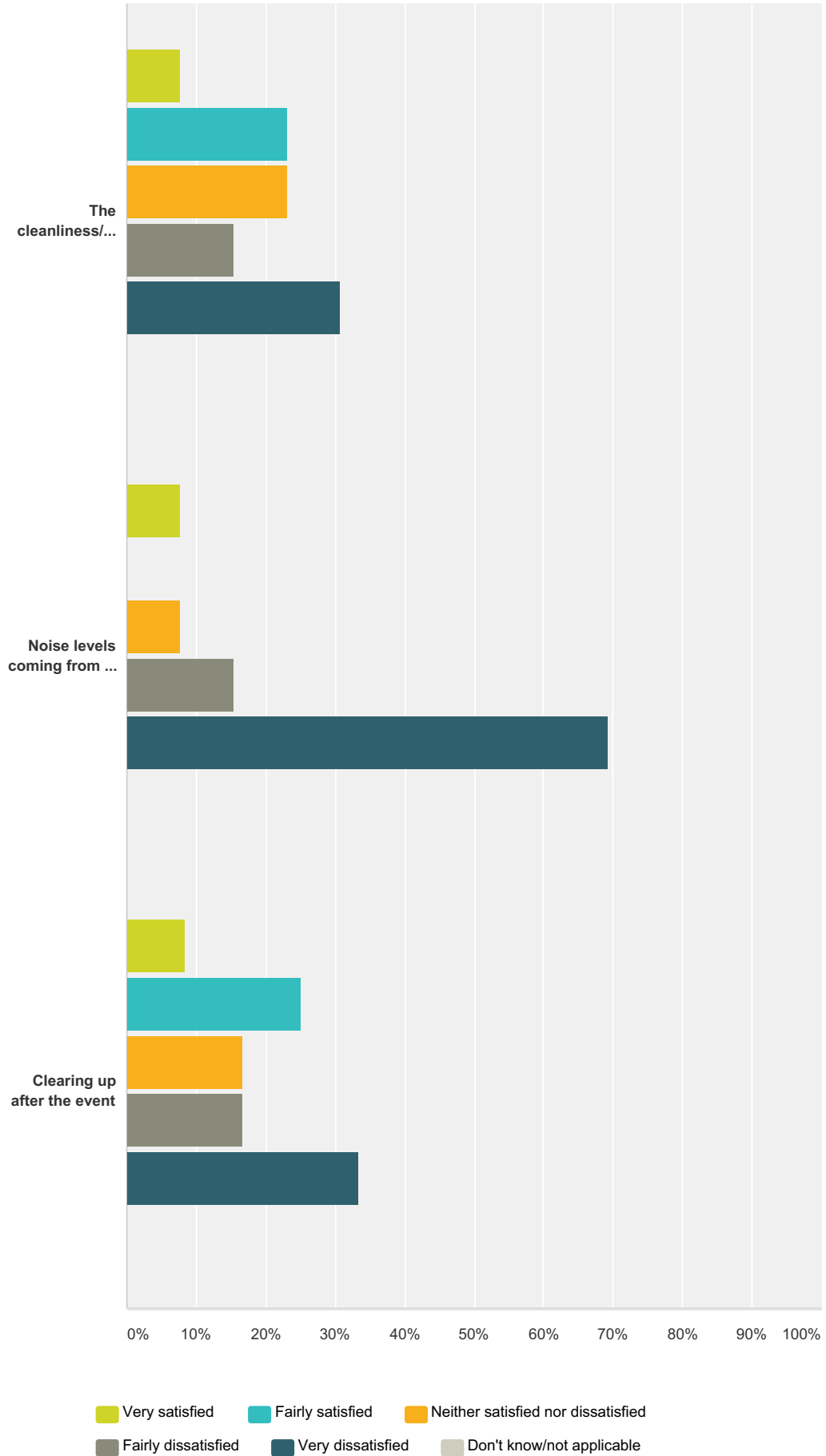


	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	46.15% 6	46.15% 6	7.69% 1	13	1.62
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	23.08% 3	53.85% 7	23.08% 3	13	2.00
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	30.77% 4	15.38% 2	53.85% 7	13	2.23

**Q76 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you
with:**

Answered: 13 Skipped: 186

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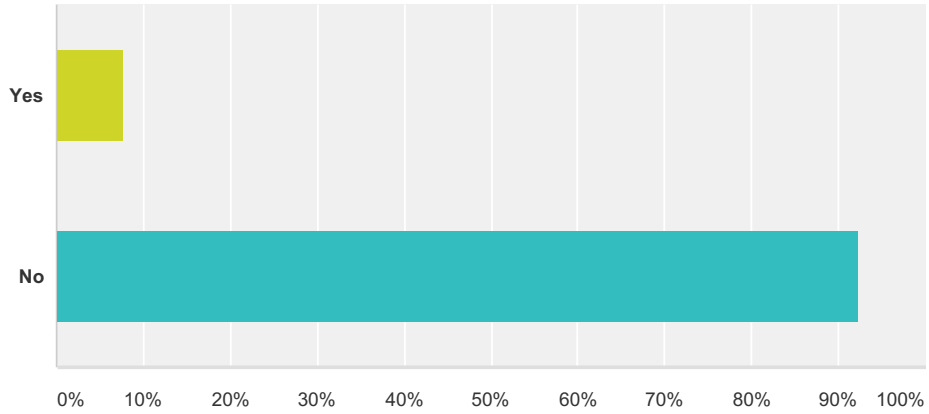


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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	7.69% 1	23.08% 3	23.08% 3	15.38% 2	30.77% 4	0.00% 0	13
Noise levels coming from the event	7.69% 1	0.00% 0	7.69% 1	15.38% 2	69.23% 9	0.00% 0	13
Clearing up after the event	8.33% 1	25.00% 3	16.67% 2	16.67% 2	33.33% 4	0.00% 0	12

Q77 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

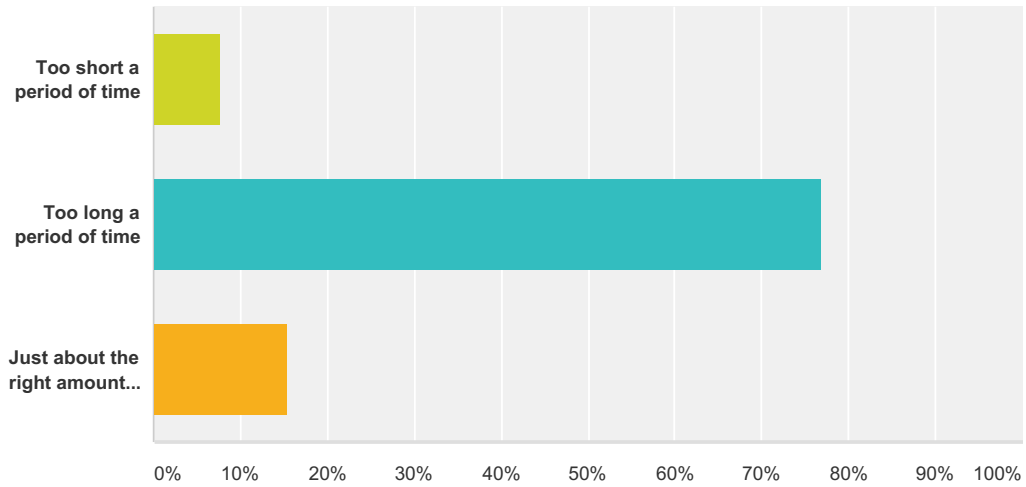
Answered: 13 Skipped: 186



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	7.69%	1
No	92.31%	12
Total		13

Q78 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 13 Skipped: 186



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	7.69% 1
Too long a period of time	76.92% 10
Just about the right amount of time	15.38% 2
Total	13

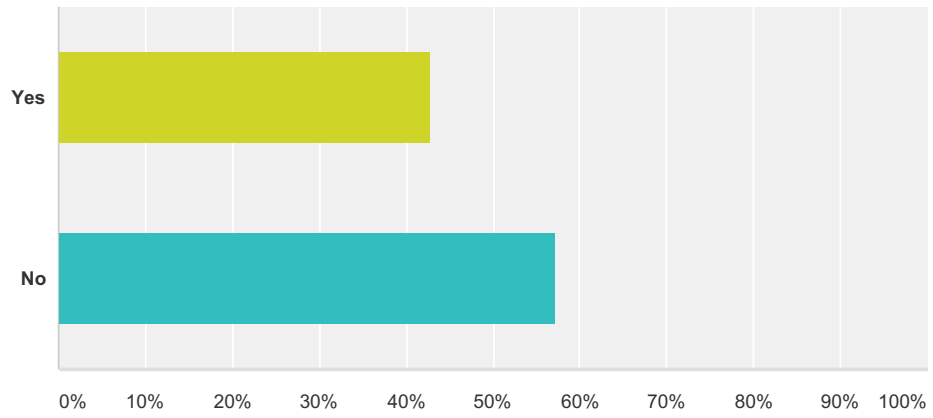
Q79 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 9 Skipped: 190

#	Responses	Date
1	The noise from the funfair is disruptive to the festival shows in Circus Hub, for audiences and performers and so lowers the quality of the amenity that the Meadows provides. Regardless of who the festival provider is, to enable the festival event, the funfair should be moved to an alternate location.	11/17/2016 8:50 PM
2	The fair was. letter when the circus and ladyboys were next to the fair.	11/16/2016 9:32 PM
3	Tollcross Community Council has a policy of limiting all commercial events to a maximum of 15 days and to rest the ground every three years from commercial events, thus leaving it fallow for one year in four.	11/16/2016 9:51 AM
4	public space for private gain	10/31/2016 10:55 PM
5	The vehicles used were too large and were parked too near to the trees for the health of the tree roots and boles. The event should take place further from the trees with clear protected routes away from any trees. Visitor parking on the hard standing by the Meadows Pavilion for this and any other event.	10/31/2016 7:56 PM
6	Disgraceful commercialisation of public space for private profit.	10/27/2016 12:38 PM
7	I received some complaints about the noise. It is too close to the Hospital and residential homes. My comments about the Festival funfair were meant to refer to this (Fringe event).	10/20/2016 10:06 AM
8	Not appropriate venue	10/20/2016 9:50 AM
9	Very noisy and disagreeable event, claustrophobic too. I wondered how they would cope with an accident	10/19/2016 7:51 PM

Q80 Would you like to comment on another event?

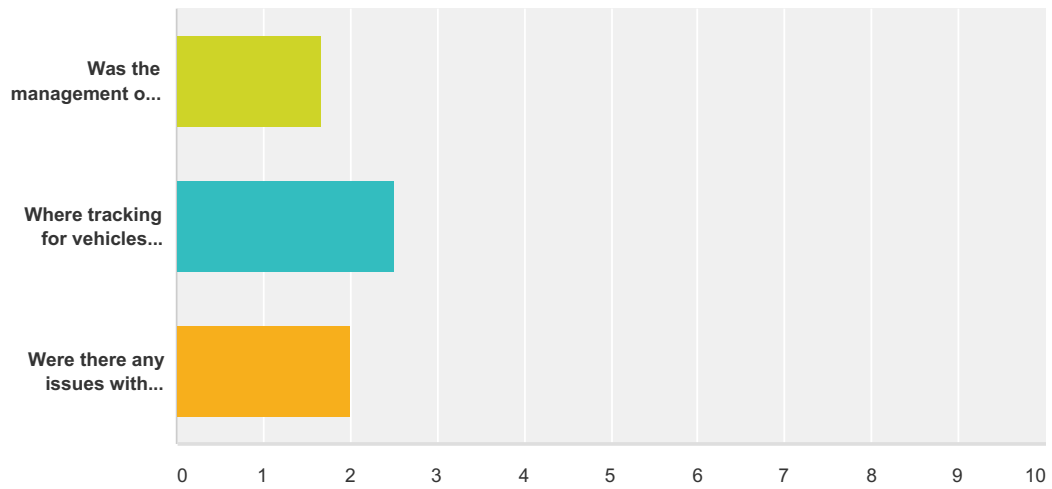
Answered: 14 Skipped: 185



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	42.86%	6
No	57.14%	8
Total		14

Q81 Inverleith Park - Foodies Festival 2016 Before, during and after the event:

Answered: 3 Skipped: 196

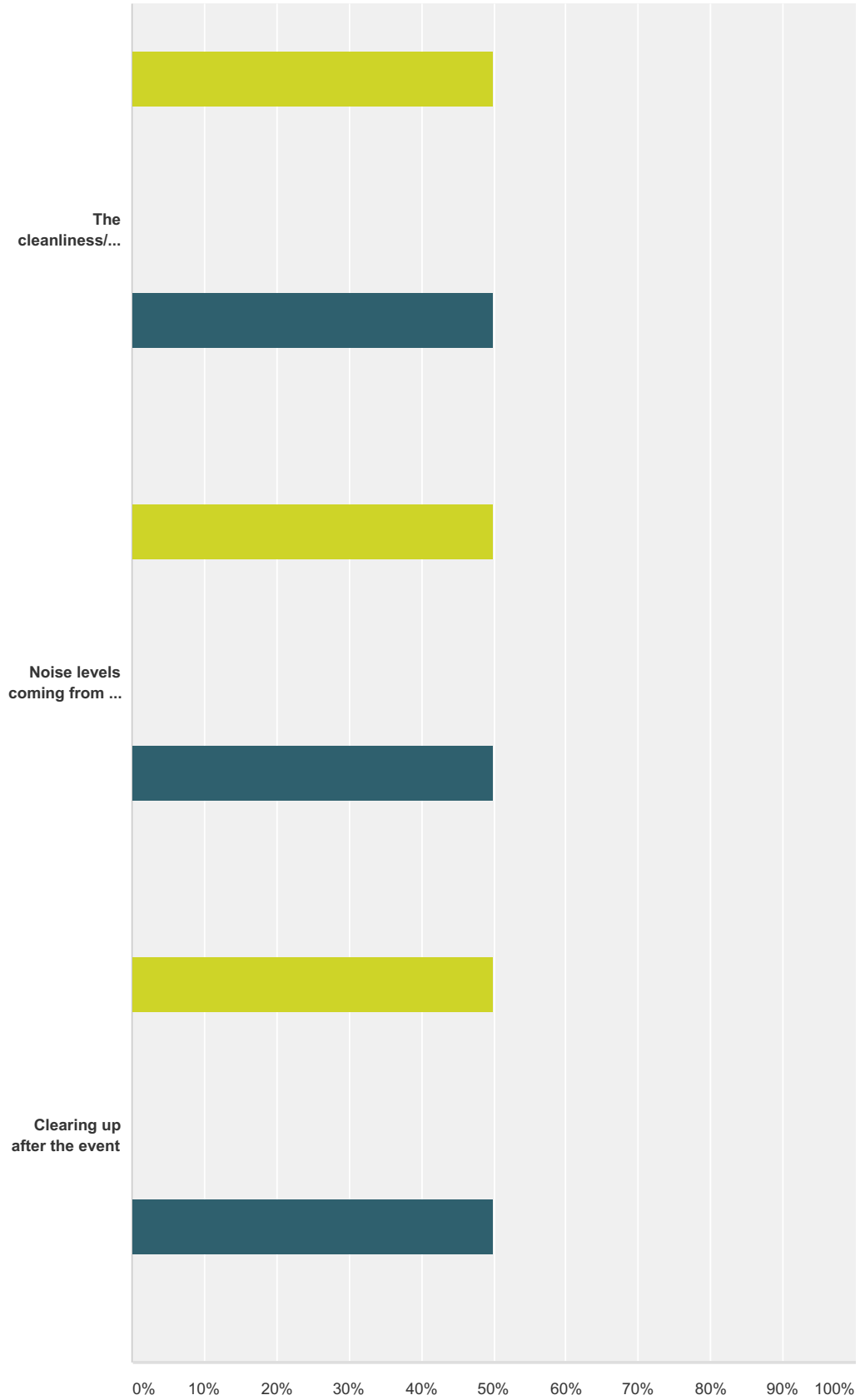


	Yes	No	Don't know	Total	Weighted Average
Was the management of traffic adequate?	33.33% 1	66.67% 2	0.00% 0	3	1.67
Where tracking for vehicles was used was it effective?(tracking mats are used to protect grass from vehicles)	0.00% 0	50.00% 1	50.00% 1	2	2.50
Were there any issues with deliveries for the event?	33.33% 1	33.33% 1	33.33% 1	3	2.00

**Q82 How satisfied or dissatisfied were you
with:**

Answered: 2 Skipped: 197

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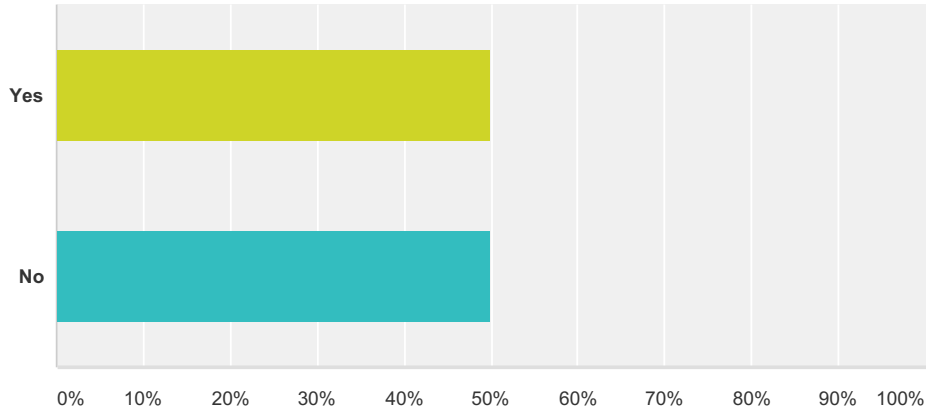
Very satisfied Fairly satisfied Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied
Fairly dissatisfied Very dissatisfied Don't know/not applicable

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	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't know/not applicable	Total
The cleanliness/litter levels on the site	50.00% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	50.00% 1	0.00% 0	2
Noise levels coming from the event	50.00% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	50.00% 1	0.00% 0	2
Clearing up after the event	50.00% 1	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	0.00% 0	50.00% 1	0.00% 0	2

Q83 Was it clear who you would go to if you had a complaint about the event i.e. site office or a foreperson?

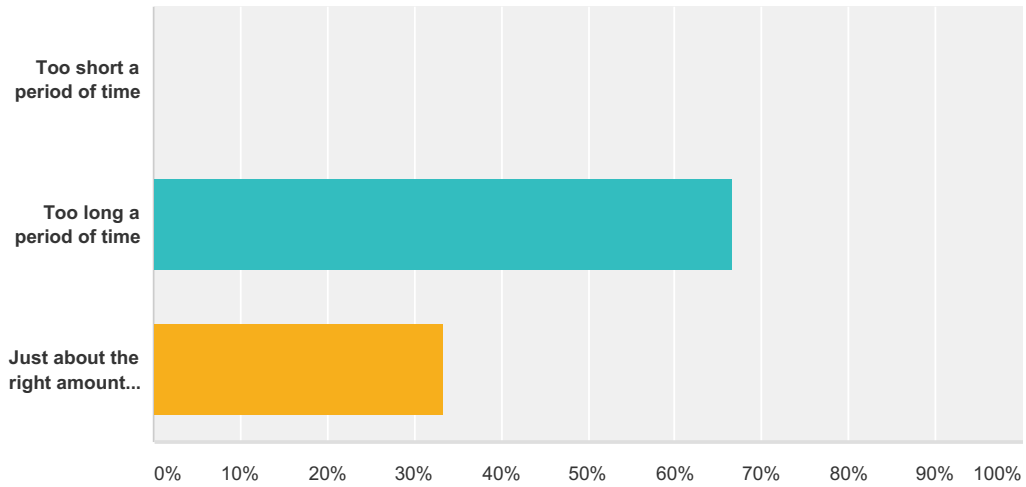
Answered: 2 Skipped: 197



Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	50.00% 1
No	50.00% 1
Total	2

Q84 Do you feel the event was on site for:

Answered: 3 Skipped: 196



Answer Choices	Responses
Too short a period of time	0.00% 0
Too long a period of time	66.67% 2
Just about the right amount of time	33.33% 1
Total	3

#	Do you have any comments?	Date
1	The park and the open spaces should not be shut off from the public	11/15/2016 6:31 PM
2	This is a well run popular event that is good fun for the family and I hope it comes back next year.	11/15/2016 3:03 PM

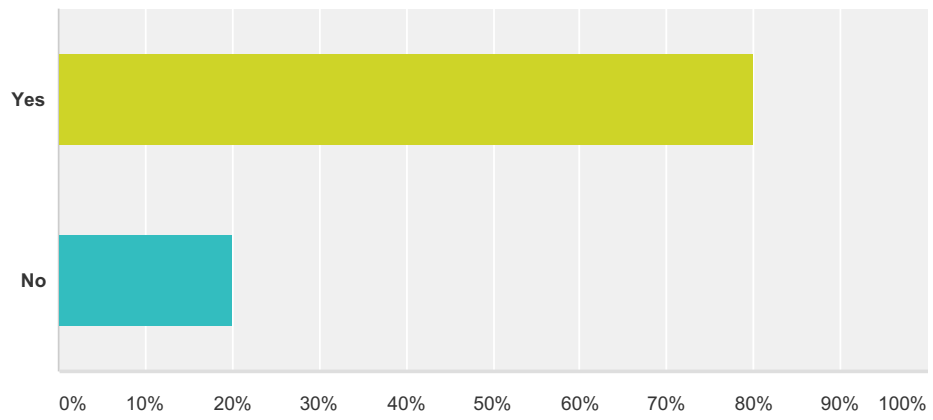
Q85 Do you have any other comments on the event?

Answered: 1 Skipped: 198

#	Responses	Date
1	Foodies Festival is a great event that promotes local food and produce and chefs and is good family fun. Please bring it back next year.	11/15/2016 3:03 PM

Q86 Would you like to comment on another event?

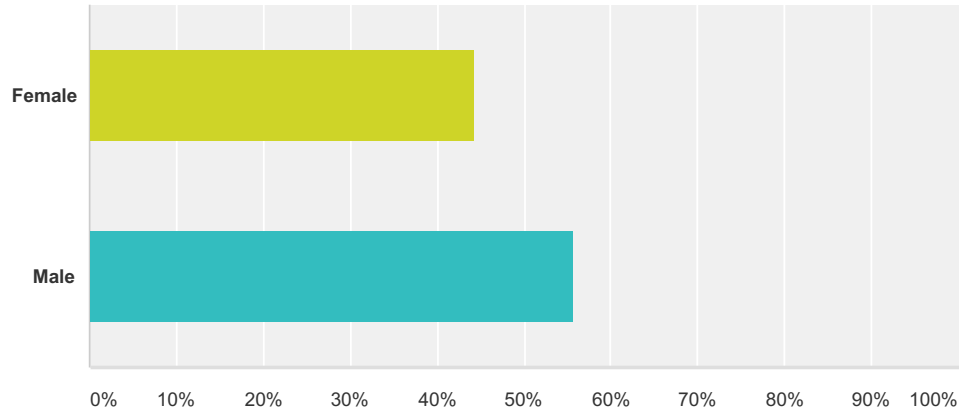
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	80.00%	4
No	20.00%	1
Total		5

Q87 What gender are you?

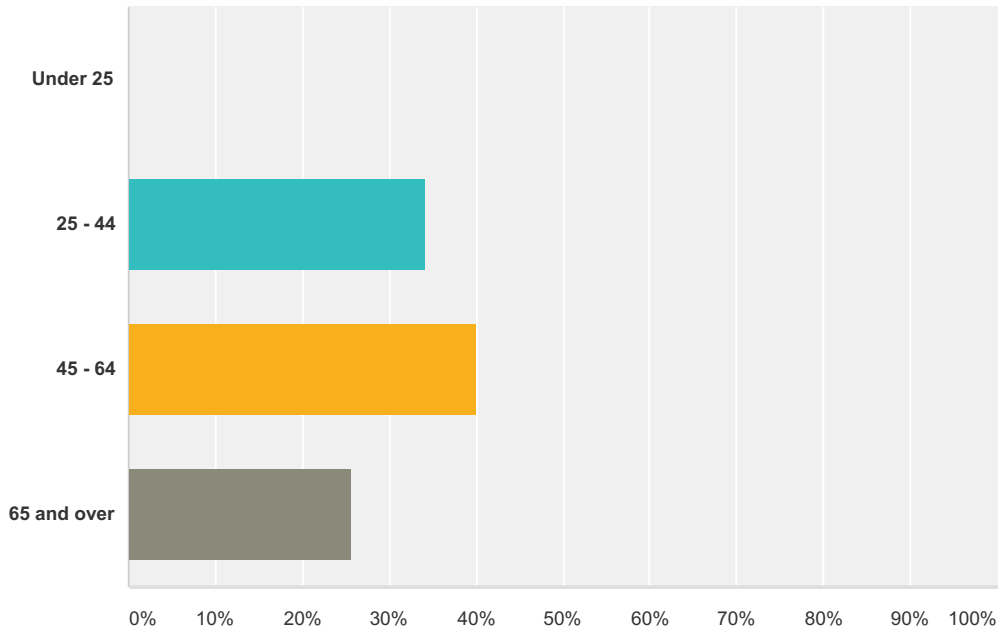
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Answer Choices	Responses
Female	44.29% 31
Male	55.71% 39
Total	70

Q88 What age band are you in?

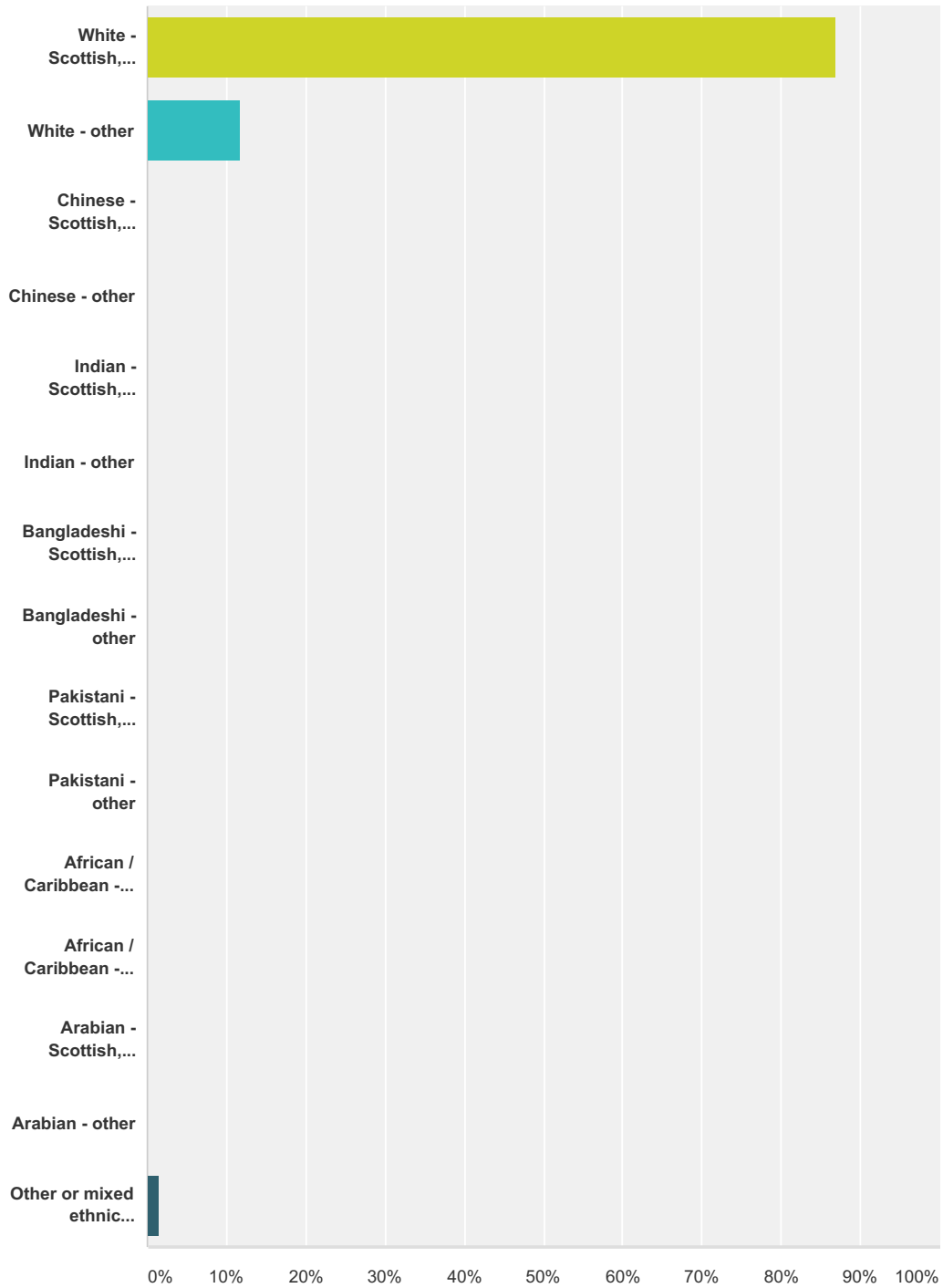
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Answer Choices	Responses
Under 25	0.00% 0
25 - 44	34.29% 24
45 - 64	40.00% 28
65 and over	25.71% 18
Total	70

Q89 What is your ethnic background?

Answered: 68 Skipped: 131



Answer Choices	Responses
White - Scottish, Welsh, Irish, English	86.76% 59
White - other	11.76% 8
Chinese - Scottish, Welsh, Irish, English	0.00% 0

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Chinese - other	0.00%	0
Indian - Scottish, Welsh, Irish, English	0.00%	0
Indian - other	0.00%	0
Bangladeshi - Scottish, Welsh, Irish, English	0.00%	0
Bangladeshi - other	0.00%	0
Pakistani - Scottish, Welsh, Irish, English	0.00%	0
Pakistani - other	0.00%	0
African / Caribbean - Scottish, Welsh, Irish, English	0.00%	0
African / Caribbean - other	0.00%	0
Arabian - Scottish, Welsh, Irish, English	0.00%	0
Arabian - other	0.00%	0
Other or mixed ethnic background	1.47%	1
Total		68

From: [REDACTED]
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Subject: Re: Annual Events Review 2015/16 - Response from Southside Community Council

Sarah, many thanks for the opportunity to respond to the Review of Park Events. This response to the Annual Review from Southside Community Council relates specifically to the holding of events on the Meadows, that green space that falls within our 'jurisdiction'.

Local communities were very effectively engaged in the management of the Underbelly Circus Hub venue which was sited on the Meadows during this August's Festival 2016. The Underbelly management went to exceptional lengths to ensure communities were involved in the planning and delivery of the temporary venue, and community representatives are happy to recognise the high standards that were achieved in respect of all aspects of the site management. We really had no negative feedback and would be happy to welcome the company back onto the Meadows in future years.

However, a neighbouring Community Council has developed a policy relating to the management of Meadows events which proposes that no one event should be sited on the Meadows for more than fifteen days, in keeping with the practice observed in other Edinburgh City Council parks and indeed the overall policy set out in the Edinburgh Parks Events Manifesto. Further, our neighbouring Community Council proposes that no events should be permitted on the Meadows one year in four, a fallow year, to allow the grounds to fully recover from heavy usage during the years when events are permitted.

At our November meeting, Southside Community Council agreed that we would also adopt this policy as our formal position on the management of events on the Meadows.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch should you wish to discuss this response or our views further.

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Chair, Southside Community Council

EAST PRINCES STREET GARDENS, EDINBURGH

REPORT ON WINTER FESTIVAL REINSTATEMENT

JULY 2016

PROJECT NO: 20111437

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1. THE BRIEF

SAC Consulting was commissioned by the City of Edinburgh Council (henceforth referred to as ‘the Council’) to undertake a review of the post Winter Festival reinstatement process for East Princes Street Gardens. This report summarises the current reinstatement process for the gardens and discusses options for improving the process and upgrading the surface characteristics of the site to reduce the overall impact of the festival on the amenity grass areas.

This report does not constitute a specification as it only illustrates the principals involved in improving the reinstatement operations and surface characteristics of the gardens. This report should not be forwarded to contractors as a specification or outline contract documents. Full contract documentation including a specification, bill of quantities and detailed drawings should be provided for this purpose.

2. PROJECT BACKGROUND



Edinburgh's Christmas is a six week season of festive entertainment which takes place annually across the city. The festival is major tourist attraction with over 800,000 unique visitors attending over the course of the six week programme. Over recent years, East Princes Street Gardens has been a key venue throughout the duration of the festival. In 2015/16, East Princes Street Gardens hosted an ice rink, a traditional European market and a variety of fairground rides and attractions.

The East Princes Street Gardens are located in the city centre and lie to the south of Princes Street between the Scottish National Gallery and Edinburgh Waverly train station (see drawing 20111437-SK-01, Appendix 3). The park is separated in two halves by the train line, with the Winter Festival taking place in the areas to the north of the train line. For the purposes of this report, only the area to the north of the train line is discussed and is henceforth referred to as 'the site'. Generally, the site is split over two levels, with two significant flat areas. There are a number of small amenity grass areas along the higher northern edge of the site which sits at approximately the same level as Princes Street. There is a larger amenity grass area in the lower lying southern half of the site, directly to the north of the train line. Between the two flat areas of amenity grass there are a series of steep grass bankings and public footpaths.

For the duration of the festival extensive temporary infrastructure is set up in the site including temporary buildings, walkways and attractions. The natural grass surfaces are extensively damaged as a result and reinstated annually following the festival. During the 2015/16 Winter Festival both the amenity grass areas in the northern and southern half of the site were utilised.



Figure 1 Aerial Photograph of East Princes Street Gardens.

3. Current Reinstatement Works

3.1 Procurement

Procurement Timescale¹

2nd December 2015	Quick Quote published on Public Contracts Scotland Portal and Tender Documents issued
21st December 2015	Tender return date
23rd December 2015	Contract award

The reinstatement works are procured by the Council through the Public Contracts Scotland Portal. Submissions are evaluated in an objective manner and a two stage evaluation process is applied to all quotes received. The contract is awarded on the basis of lowest price. The cost analysis is carried out by considering the responses to a Pricing Schedule prepare by the Council which is included in the tender documents.

3.2 Programme of Works

General programme for reinstatement works²

25th January 2016	Contract Live Date
26th January 2016	29 th January 2016 Contract lead in, site start up meeting
1st February 2016	Work begins, dependent on soil temperatures and general weather conditions
27th March 2016	Work completed and site cleared
31st March 2016	Final sign off by CEC

3.3 Specification

The following operations were included as part of the East Princes Street Gardens reinstatement contract following the 2015/16 Winter Festival. Full specification³ included in Appendix 1. The reinstatement works broadly comprised the following;

¹ Based on the procurement of reinstatement works following the 2015/16 Winter Festival

² General programme of works included as part of the tender documentation issued to contractors for reinstatement works following the 2015/16 Winter Festival.

³ Specification included as part of the tender documentation issued to contractors for reinstatement works following the 2015/16 Winter Festival

- Removal and disposal of damaged turf.
- Preparation of ground for turf – all areas cultivated to a depth of 150mm. Cultivated areas leveled and firmed prior to laying turf. Levels to be corrected with topsoil if required
- Turfing – laying of intermediate/big roll turf to prepared areas. The turf should be of a species composition similar to the below list:
 - 30% Dwarf Ryegrass
 - 20% Smooth Stalked Meadow Grass
 - 30% Slender Creeping Red Fescue
 - 20% Chewings Fescue
- Scarification – scarifying of area of works to minimum 40mm depth
- Verti-draining
- Topdressing
- Overseeding

3.4 Discussion

The programme for the reinstatement works summarised above is largely dependent on climatic factors, primarily rainfall and soil temperature. Works of this nature which involve the movement of plant and machinery across the soil surface should not be carried out when ground conditions on site are such that compaction, puddling and/or deep rutting of the soil or any other detriment would be likely. Following the 2015/16 Winter Festival inclement weather conditions delayed reinstatement works. This was primarily due to rainfall which was above average in January, February and April in the Edinburgh area. Total rainfall was also significantly above average in Nov and December during the Winter Festival itself.

Month	Total Rainfall ⁴ (mm)	Rainfall Status	Average Total Rainfall (mm) (1981 -2010)
Nov 15	125.2	Above Average	65
Dec 15	169.4	Above Average	62
Jan 16	125.2	Above Average	69
Feb 16	65.6	Above Average	48
Mar 16	23	Below Average	53
Apr 16	64.2	Above Average	41

⁴ Rainfall data obtained from Met Office weather station located at the Royal Botanical Gardens, Edinburgh. Weather station data available from www.metoffice.gov.uk

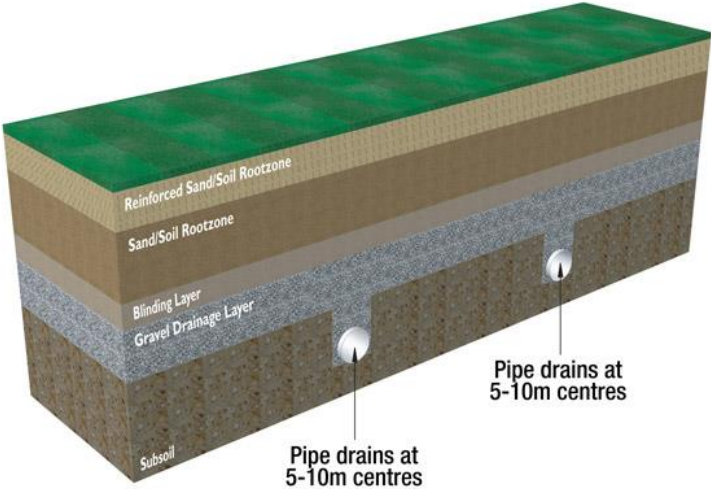
We would not consider the vulnerability of the reinstatement programme to adverse weather as being a direct result of the reinstatement specification and process itself. The underlying issue is that the gardens are being used for a purpose in which they were not originally designed and no modifications to the underlying soil structure and drainage have been made with the new purpose in mind.

In order to improve the turnaround time in reinstating the gardens following the winter festival we must provide greater control in removing water from the site and associated soil profile of the gardens. We must also consider the surface and reducing the amount of work required to be carried out by plant and machinery to return the surface levels following events.

3.5 Recommendations

As discussed above the biggest limiting factor in the reinstatement of the gardens is the variable Edinburgh climate and associated ground conditions of the site during the early spring. To mitigate the risk of delay we must consider options to minimise surface damage to the soil profile and provide better control over the site ground conditions at this time.

Amenity grass areas that are frequently used for alternative events such as the winter festival or pop concerts are typically constructed to a very high standard with freely draining sand based rootzone materials constructed over a very permeable aggregate drainage layer. This is combined with an efficient pipe drainage system to remove water from the soil base, connected to either a positive drain outlet or in some cases to a soakaway.



Typical cross section of rootzone construction with sub-surface drainage

This means that heavy rainfall does not have the same impact on the surface and it will remain reasonably dry and stable. This is often enhanced by the use of fibres worked into or stitched into the sand growing medium to provide additional reinforcement and stability of the turf surface.

The reconstruction of the gardens as described would appear to present an obvious solution to the difficulties of sustaining and reinstating the turf surface in the gardens following the winter festival. However at this stage we must acknowledge that further intrusive investigations are required to determine the drainage outlets available in the gardens whether that is by outlet pipe or through investigating the natural permeability of the underlying ground as a soakaway.

This type of free draining system will require both the use of effective (automatic) irrigation systems and suitably intensive maintenance programme to preserve the condition of the grass sward throughout the year and during any dry summer weather.

A budget cost plan for the above works is detailed in Appendix 2.

*Alternate grassland solutions which we have utilised at other parks across the city such as installation of secondary drainage, sand capping, hybrid turf would not be wholly effective at Princes Street Gardens as the requirement to annually re-turf following the winter festival would compromise the connection and effectiveness of the secondary drainage.

** Removal of the lawn areas completely and redesigning the garden space could in theory eliminate any requirement for turfing but this would have a significant impact on the character of the site. This could include resurfacing the lawns with block paving, tar macadam, synthetic turf or other durable hard landscape solutions.

3.6 Conclusion

In summary we would conclude that current specification and programme of works for reinstatement is satisfactory and as per industry standards for amenity grassland works. The key issue is that the lawn areas of the garden are being used for a purpose that they were not intended or originally designed for and therefore there are significant remedial works required year on year at a time of unpredictable weather and ground conditions.

The sensitivity of the site to wet weather and the unpredictable climate of early spring will continue to present a significant risk to the project programme. This risk always remains with any landscape works but can be minimised if the existing garden lawns were reconstructed to a high performance construction specification that significantly improves the drainage characteristics and stability of the site soils. This would both minimise deterioration to the surface caused by events and remove surface water more quickly during prolonged poor weather.

Appendix 2 provides a budget estimate of cost for upgrading the lawns of the East Gardens to the required specification.

APPENDIX 1

Specification for reinstatement works following 2015/16 Winter Festival

- **Removing and disposing of damaged turf** – all damaged turf should be removed from the site and disposed in an appropriate manner.
- **Ground preparation for turf** – all areas to be re-turfed should be cultivated to a depth of 150mm unless otherwise stated. The cultivated area should then be leveled and firmed in preparation for the laying of turf. Supply and install topsoil to bring up levels if required.
- **Turfing** – supply and lay intermediate/big roll turf to areas identified. The turf should be of a species composition similar to the below list:
 - 30% Dwarf Ryegrass
 - 20% Smooth Stalked Meadow Grass
 - 30% Slender Creeping Red Fescue
 - 20% Chewings Fescue

In the event of substitutions, the contractor must consult the Supervising Officer so that suitable alternative varieties can be selected.

Turfing operations shall not be carried out while the ground is in a waterlogged or dry condition or suffering from snow or frost.

- **Scarification** – works shall only commence under suitable conditions using appropriate scarification equipment to a minimum depth of 40mm.
- **Verti-draining** – using 19mm solid tines set to penetrate at least 200mm. The amount of heave should be as great as possible to prevent surface disruption. The site should be in a suitable condition to accept the level of tine penetration as above but not too soft that the equipment causes surface disruption from wheel marks.
- **Topdressing** – the entire area of verti-draining shall be top dressed with medium/coarse sports grade sand. Once the top dressing has been placed the surface shall be given four passes with tractor mounted brushes to incorporate sand into the grass sward.

Spreading rate: 7.5Kg/m²

- **Overseeding** – selected grass seed should be appropriate for use in high amenity park and garden venues. Grass seed should be equivalent to the following mix;
 - 30% Dwarf Ryegrass
 - 20% Smooth Stalked Meadow Grass
 - 30% Slender Creeping Red Fescue
 - 20% Chewings Fescue

Grass seed to be applied at the rate of 25g per metre square. The Seed shall be sown by approved suitable equipment.

In the event of substitutions, the contractor must consult the Supervising Officer so that suitable alternative varieties can be selected.

The contractor will be responsible after seeding to ensure even germination of the areas until after the first cut. Any areas which fail to germinate to the satisfaction of the Employer shall be rectified at the contractors own expense. Any areas of sinkage shall be topped up with topsoil as required to make good surface levels.

- **Topsoil** – to bring back levels a soil based 70/30 medium coarse sand and screened soil should be added to existing levels.

APPENDIX 2

Cost Estimate for Princes Street East Garden Lawn Reconstruction

Item	Description	Cost ex VAT
S1.1	Site Investigations	£ 7,000.00
S1.2	Design, Planning & Project Management	£ 29,000.00
S1.3	Contractors Preliminaries	£ 15,000.00
S1.4	Site Clearance	£ 4,000.00
S1.5	Earthworks	£ 19,000.00
S1.6	Drainage	£ 40,000.00
S1.7	Lawn Construction	£ 195,000.00
S1.8	Grass Establishment	£ 28,000.00
S1.9	Automatic Irrigation System	£ 65,000.00
	TOTAL	£ 402,000.00
S1.10	1 years maintenance	£ 19,000.00
S1.11	Extra Over cost for synthetic surface reinforcement (range depending on product ie Xtragrass, County Turf)	£126,000.00 to £157,000.00

Cost estimate based on 8000m2 of lawn area and rates received in 2016 for similar landscape projects.

APPENDIX 3
Location Plan



1	THIS DRAWING MUST NOT BE SCALED
2	THE CONTRACTOR IS TO CHECK ALL DIMENSIONS ON SITE

Legend:

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 East Gardens
 Princes Street
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