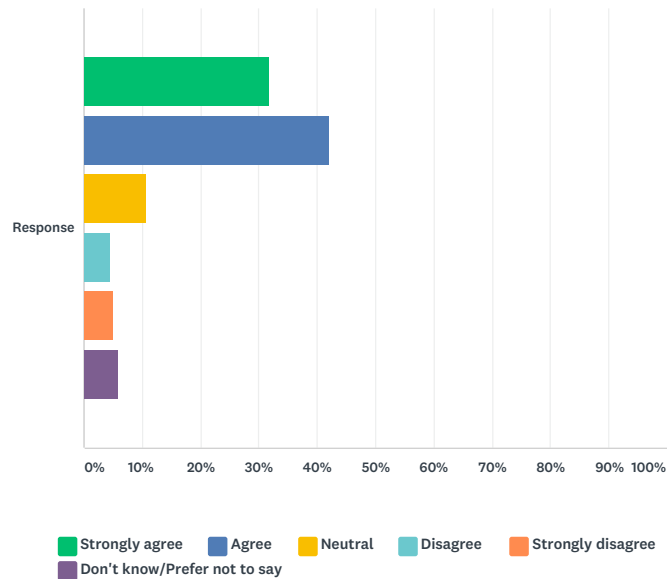


Reform #1: The new legislation should set principles for the governance and operations of local government, with greater detail to be set in Regulations.

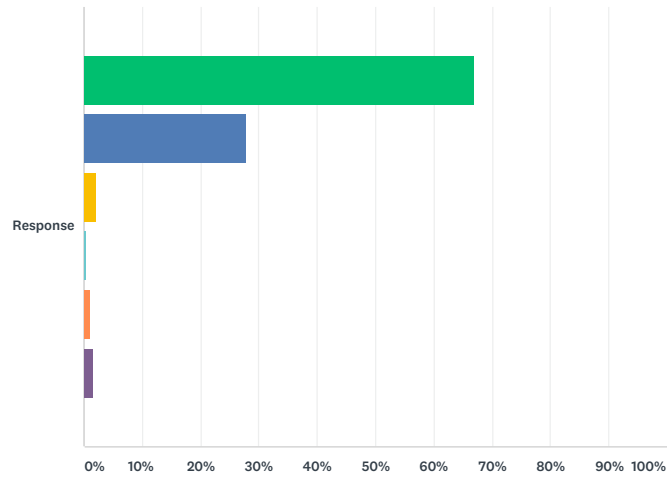
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31.73%	42.12%	10.58%	4.62%	5.00%	5.96%	520	4.73
165	219	55	24	26	31		

## Reform #2: The new legislation should be structured logically and be easy to read and understand, while being legally effective.

Answered: 520

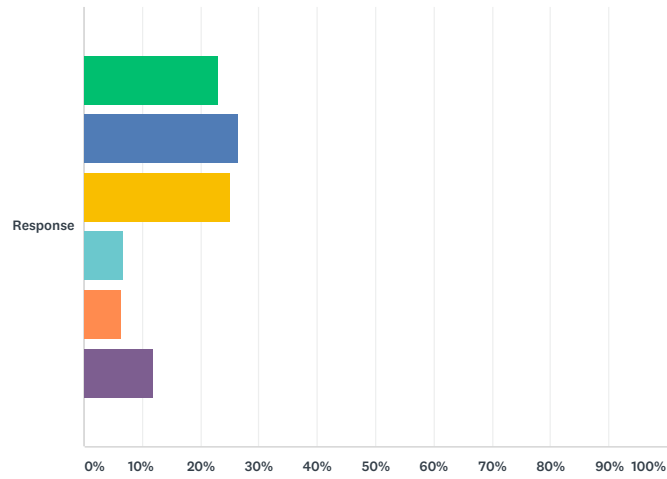


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66.92%	27.88%	2.12%	0.38%	0.96%	1.73%	520	5.54
348	145	11	2	5	9		

### Reform #3: Local Government electoral provisions should be contained in a separate, new Act.

Answered: 520

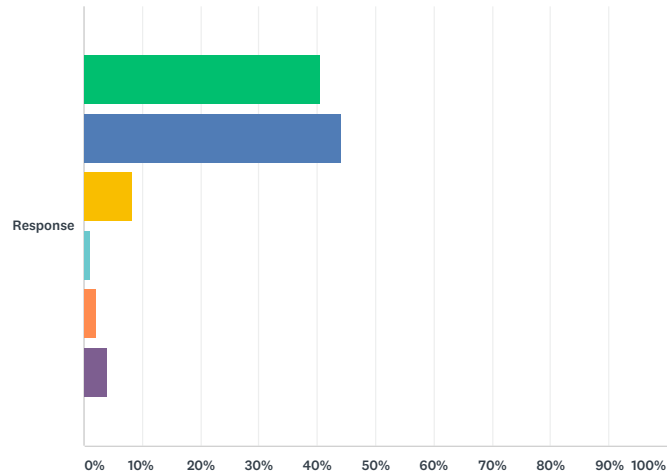


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23.08%	26.54%	25.19%	6.73%	6.54%	11.92%	520	4.17
120	138	131	35	34	62		

Reform #4: Related local government legislation should be examined to identify duplication with the Act and where provisions can be consolidated.

Answered: 520

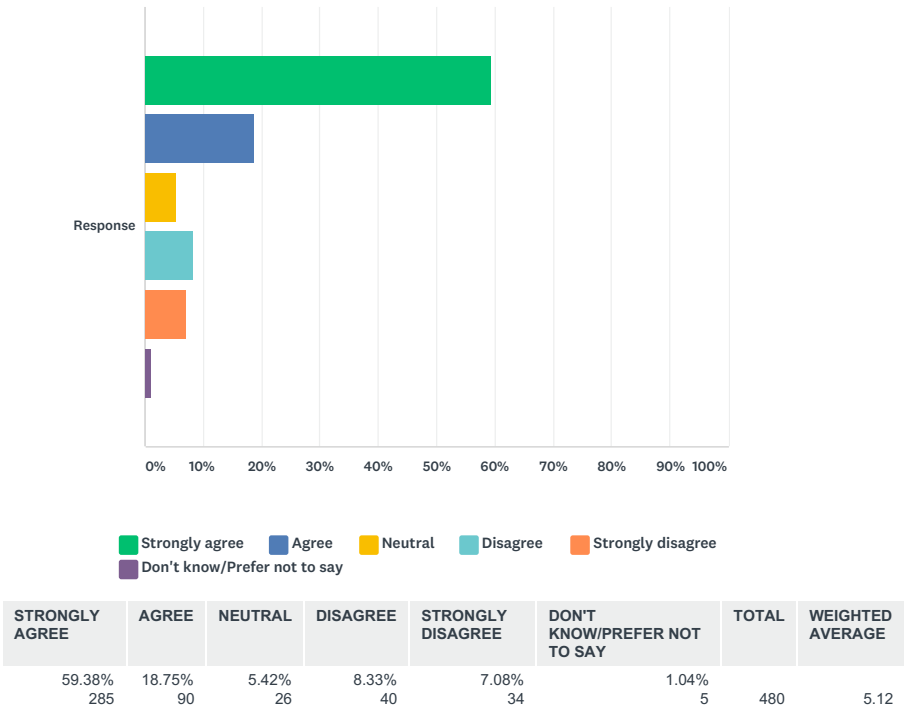


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40.58%	44.04%	8.27%	0.96%	2.12%	4.04%	520	5.08
211	229	43	5	11	21		

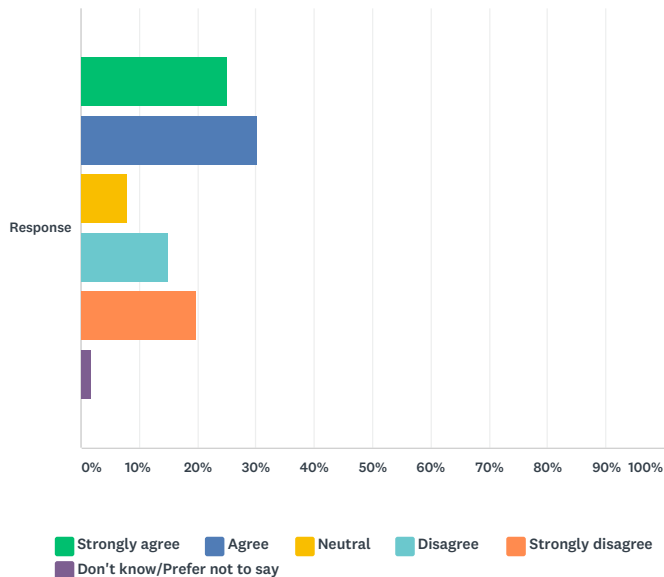
Reform #5: A person must be an Australian citizen to be eligible to vote in local government elections.

Answered: 480



Reform #5 cont'd: Individuals who are Australian citizens and own or occupy property in a municipal area where they are not residents should be eligible to enrol to vote in that area.

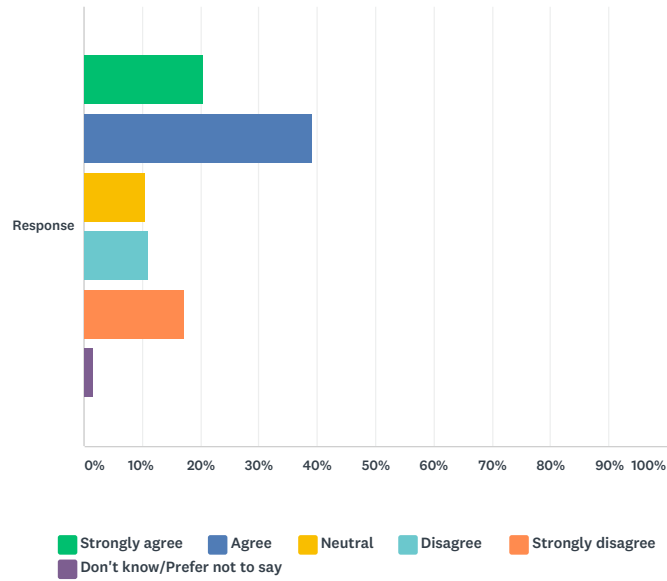
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25.05%	30.27%	7.93%	15.03%	19.83%	1.88%	479	4.20
120	145	38	72	95	9		

Reform #5 cont'd: A person should be eligible to vote if they are the sole nominated representative of a business operating from a property in the municipal area, provided that person is an Australian citizen and is not already on the Roll in that municipal area under any other entitlement.

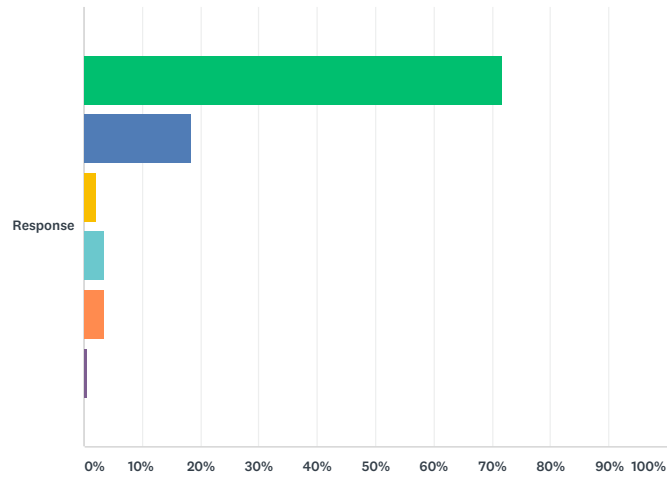
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STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DON'T KNOW/PREFER NOT TO SAY	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
20.50%	39.12%	10.46%	11.09%	17.15%	1.67%	478	4.30
98	187	50	53	82	8		

Reform #6: No individual owner, occupier or corporation (or their delegate should get more than one vote per municipality.

Answered: 481



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STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DON'T KNOW/PREFER NOT TO SAY	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
71.73%	18.50%	2.08%	3.53%	3.53%	0.62%	481	5.49
345	89	10	17	17	3		



## Reform #7: Mayoral Election

Answered: 481

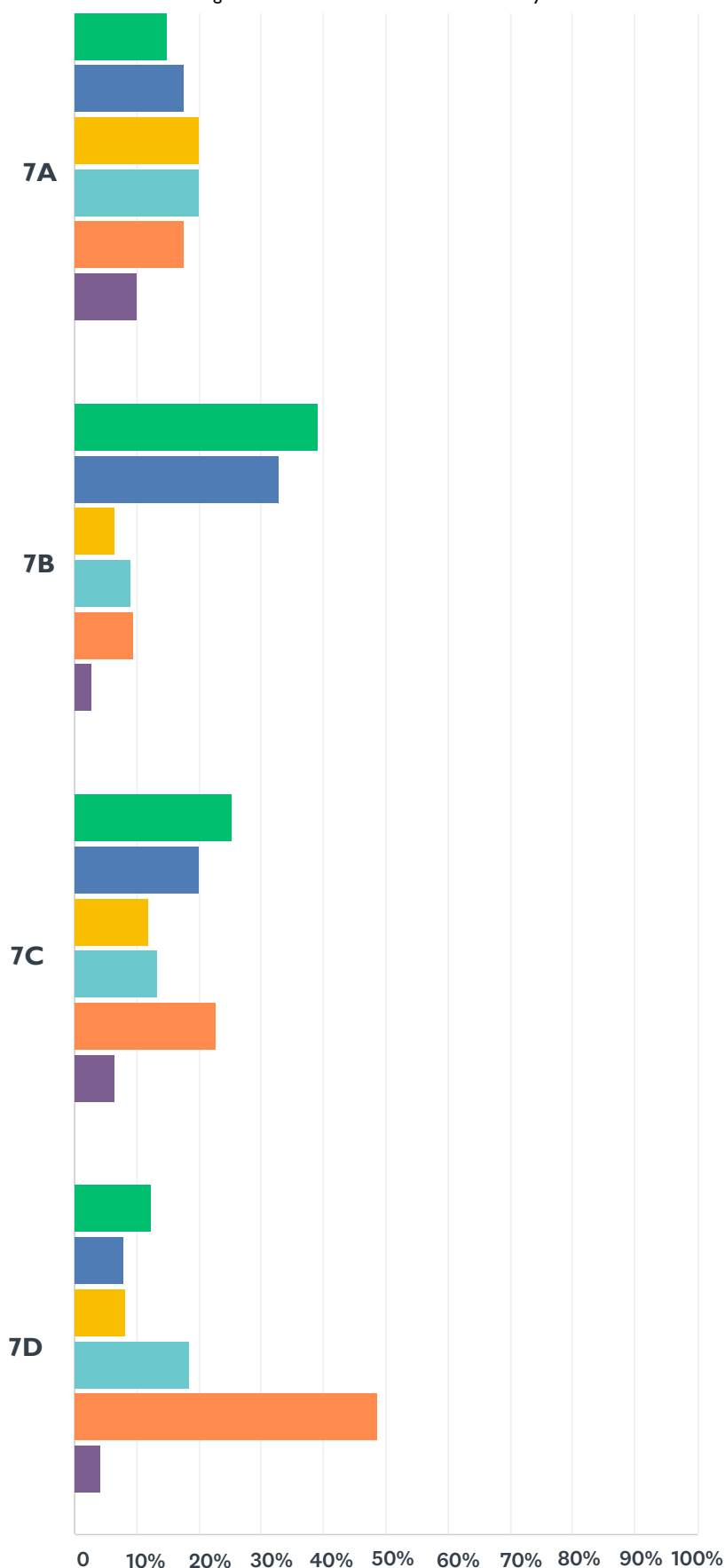
**7A:** Current process for electing mayors should be retained, but a higher nomination fee should be charged (see Reform Direction 13).

**7B:** Voters will popularly elect the mayor at the same time as council elections are held. A successfully elected mayor will automatically be elected as councillor, removing the requirement to be concurrently elected as councillor.

**7C:** Voters should popularly elect the mayor, with the candidate who is elected first from the ballot being automatically elected as mayor.

**7D:** All candidates for councillor stand for popular election. Council would then vote to elect the mayor 'around the table'.

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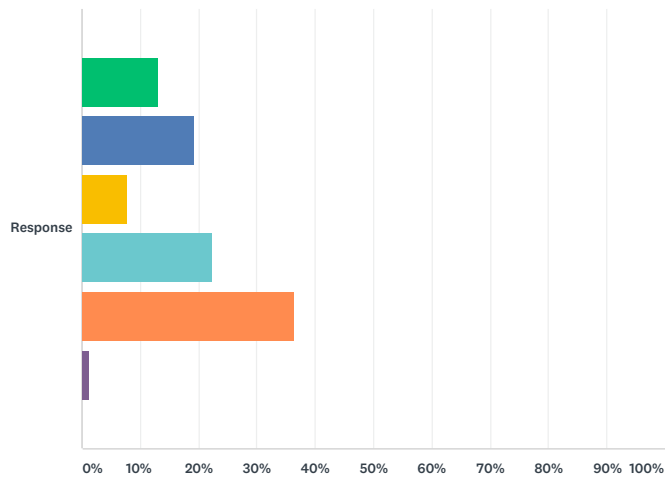


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7A	14.79% 59	17.54% 70	20.05% 80	20.05% 80	17.54% 70	10.03% 40	399	3.62
7B	39.21% 169	32.95% 142	6.50% 28	9.05% 39	9.51% 41	2.78% 12	431	4.75
7C	25.33% 97	20.10% 77	12.01% 46	13.32% 51	22.72% 87	6.53% 25	383	3.92
7D	12.25% 49	8.00% 32	8.25% 33	18.50% 74	48.75% 195	4.25% 17	400	3.04

Reform #7 cont'd: The Deputy Mayor should be voted on by a council 'around the table', rather than being popularly elected.

Answered: 480

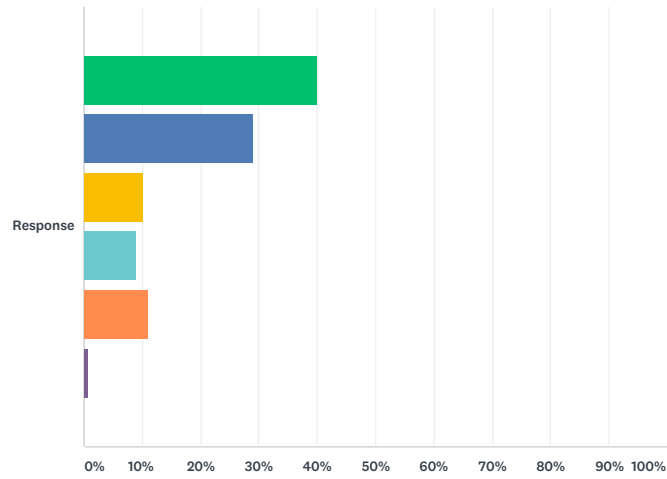


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13.13%	19.17%	7.71%	22.29%	36.46%	1.25%	480	3.46
63	92	37	107	175	6		

## Reform #8: Alternative voting methods such as electronic voting should be enabled, in addition to postal voting.

Answered: 482

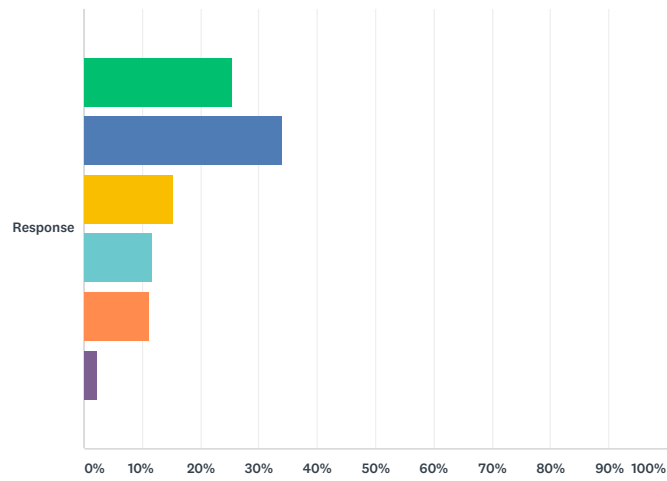


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40.04%	29.05%	10.17%	8.92%	11.00%	0.83%	482	4.76
193	140	49	43	53	4		

**Reform #9: The voting process should be amended to only require a minimum of 1-5 boxes to be numbered to constitute a formal vote.**

Answered: 481

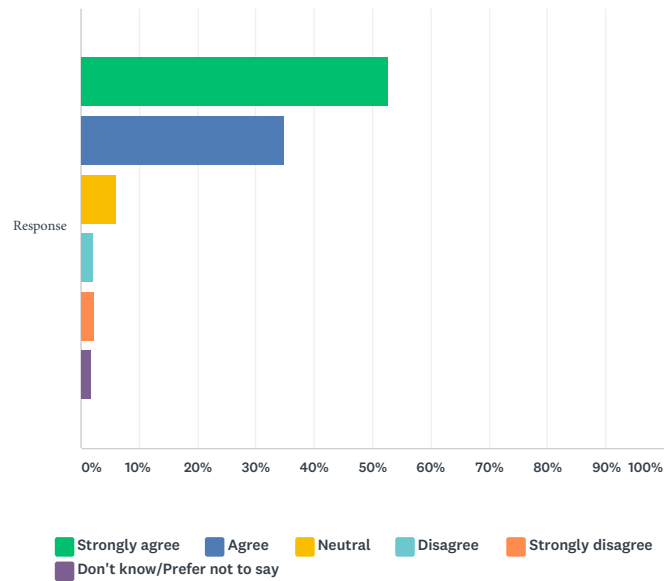


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25.57%	34.10%	15.18%	11.64%	11.23%	2.29%	481	4.44
123	164	73	56	54	11		

Reform #10: Caretaker provisions should be introduced during local government elections to reduce major policy and contractual decisions that may bind an incoming council, and to avoid the inappropriate use of ratepayer resources during an election.

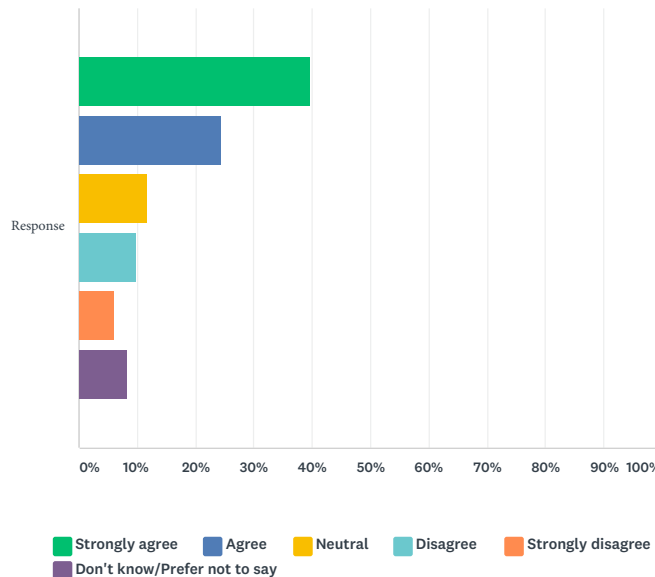
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STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DON'T KNOW/PREFER NOT TO SAY	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
52.81%	34.93%	6.03%	2.08%	2.29%	1.87%	481	5.28
254	168	29	10	11	9		

Reform #11: The administration of the General Manager's Roll should be moved from councils to the Tasmanian Electoral Commission.

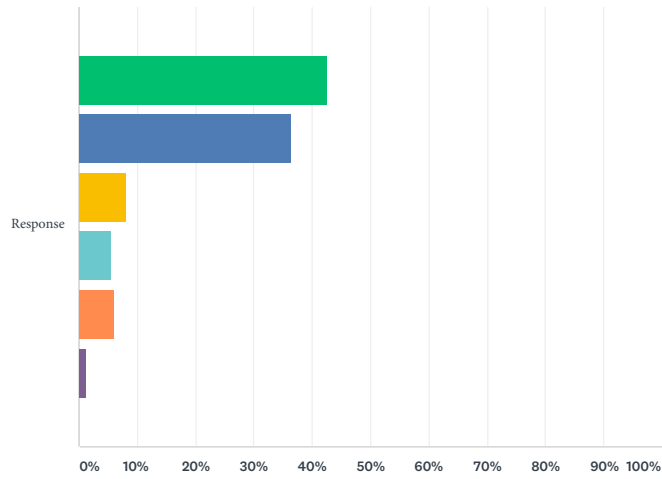
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39.83%	24.48%	11.62%	9.75%	6.02%	8.30%	482	4.57
192	118	56	47	29	40		

## Reform #12: Potential electoral candidates must complete an online training package in order to be able to nominate as a candidate.

Answered: 481



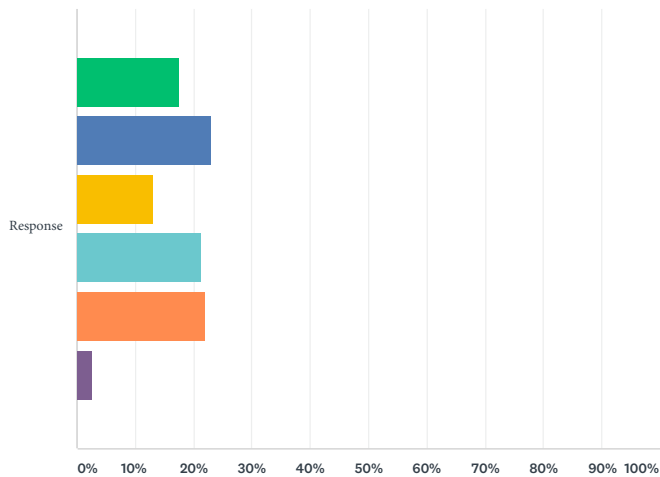
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42.62%	36.38%	8.11%	5.61%	6.03%	1.25%		
205	175	39	27	29	6	481	5.00



Reform #13: A candidate nomination fee, refundable on receiving a percentage of the vote, should be introduced.

Answered: 482

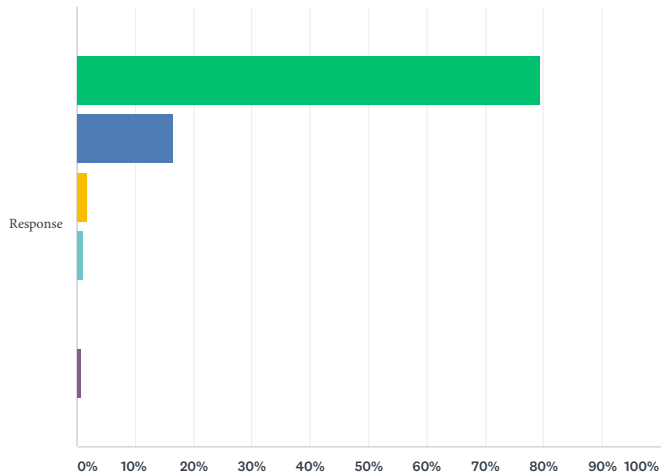


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17.63%	23.03%	13.28%	21.37%	21.99%	2.70%	482	3.85
85	111	64	103	106	13		

Reform #14: All local government electoral candidates should be required to disclose gifts and donations.

Answered: 482

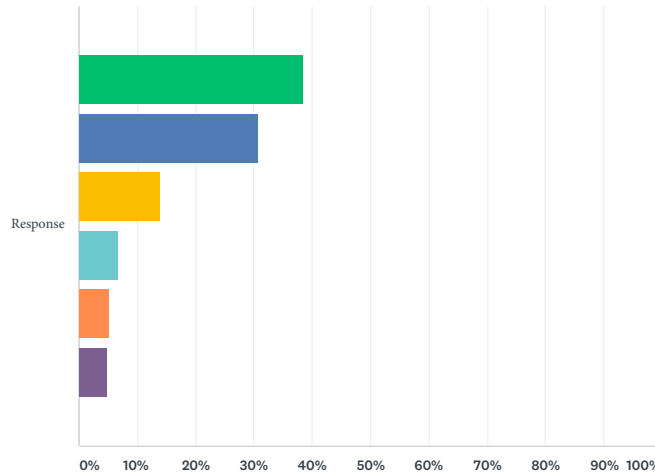


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79.46%	16.60%	1.87%	1.04%	0.21%	0.83%	482	5.72
383	80	9	5	1	4		

# Reform #15: Eligibility requirements to nominate as a local government candidate should be better aligned with eligibility requirements for State Parliament.

Answered: 482

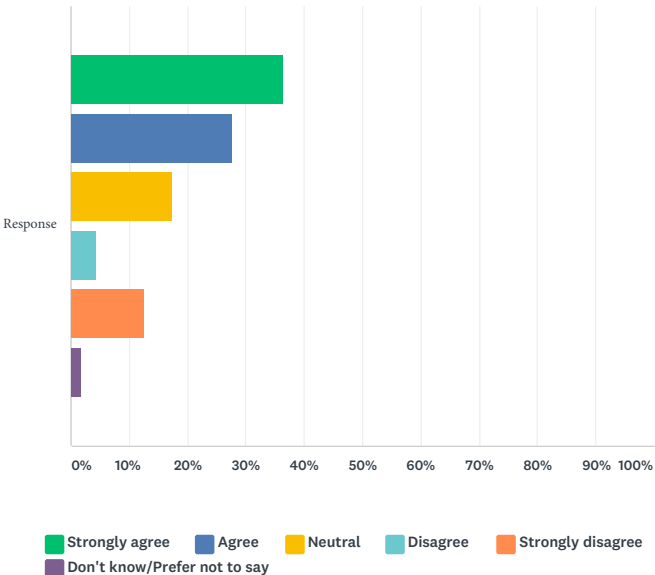


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38.59%	30.71%	14.11%	6.64%	5.19%	4.77%	482	4.77
186	148	68	32	25	23		

Reform #16: The title of 'Alderman' should be removed as a title for city councillors, to align terminology with modern community expectations.

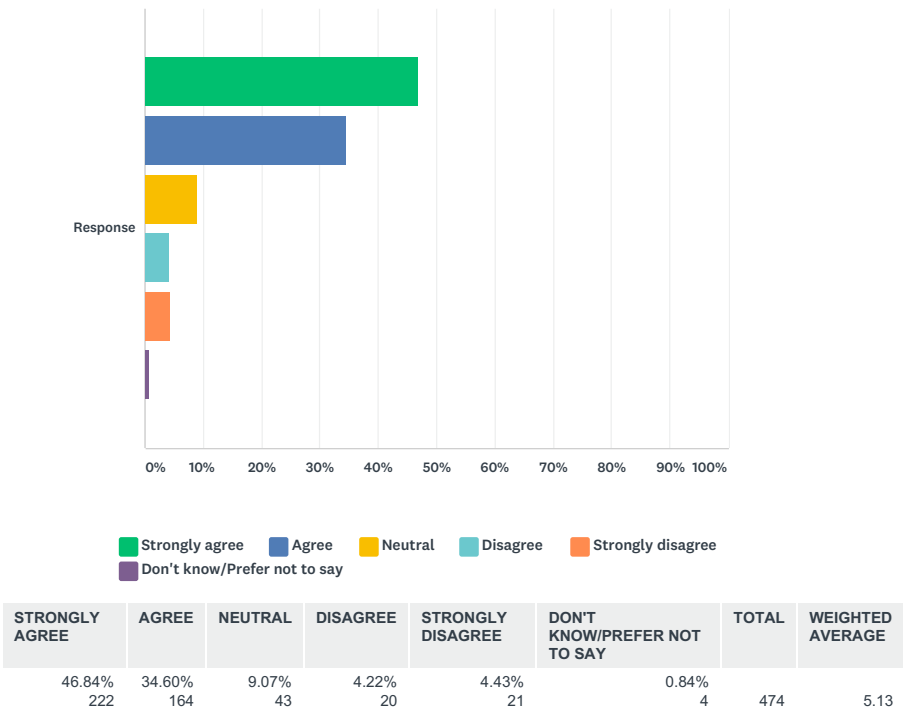
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36.31%	27.59%	17.43%	4.36%	12.45%	1.87%	482	4.65
175	133	84	21	60	9		

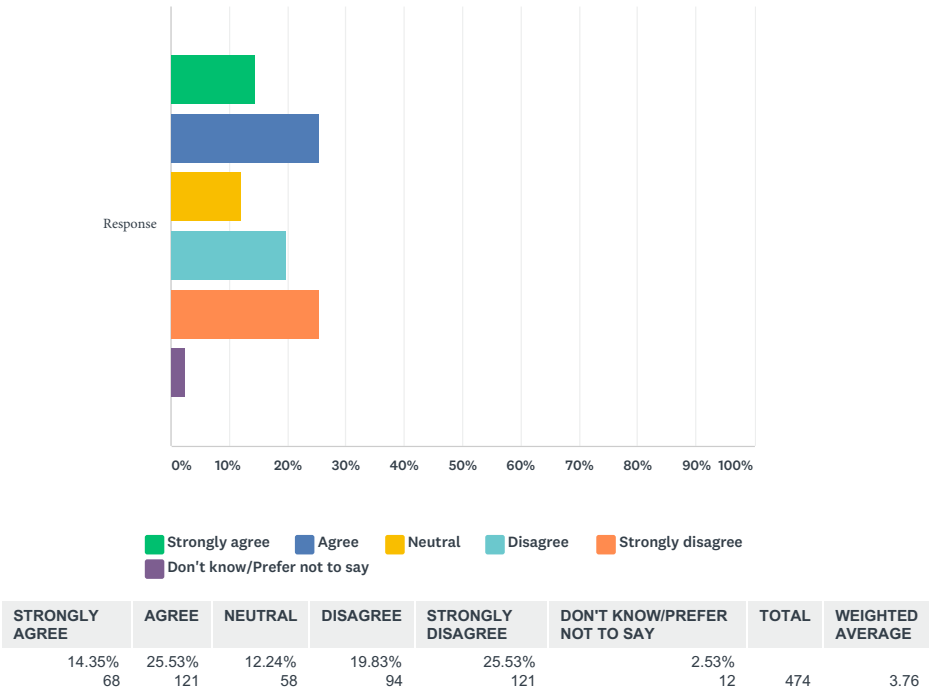
Reform #17: All councils should develop and adopt a Community Engagement Strategy after each election. The Community Engagement Strategy will inform how councils will engage, involve, consult and inform their communities on plans, projects and policies.

Answered: 474



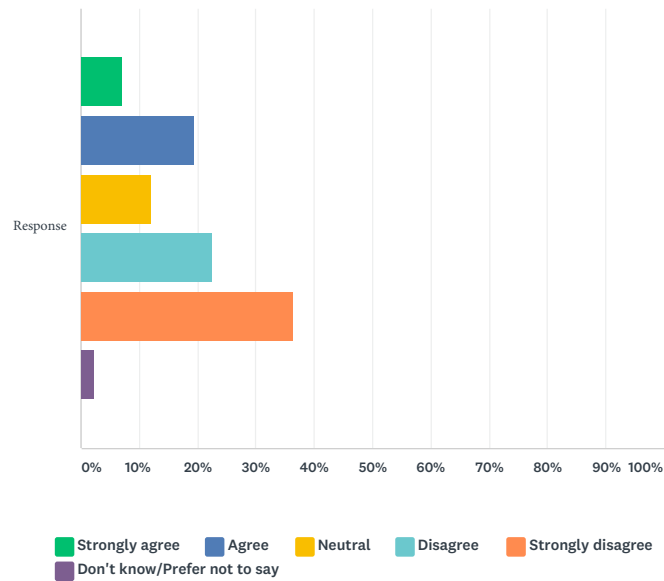
Reform #18: Prescriptive consultation requirements such as Annual General Meetings and public notices should be removed from legislation, and councils should instead be required to engage with their communities in accordance with their Community Engagement Strategy. Some specific consultation requirements would be maintained, where necessary, for the protection and rights of the community and councils.

Answered: 474



Reform #19: Requirements for public meetings and elector polls should be removed. Councils would still be able to choose to hold public meetings and elector polls under their Community Engagement Strategy.

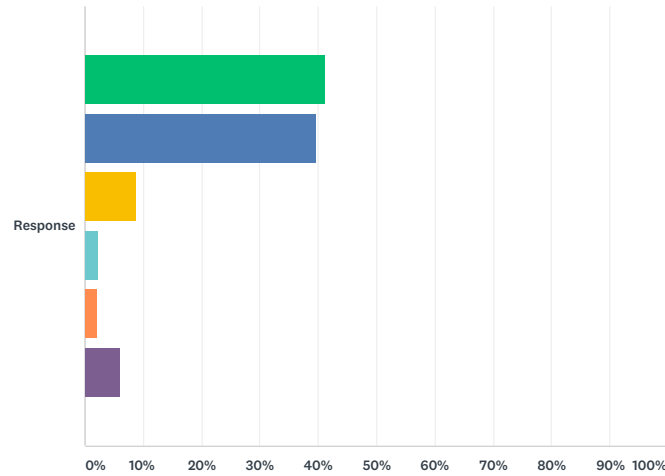
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7.19%	19.45%	12.05%	22.62%	36.36%	2.33%	473	3.32
34	92	57	107	172	11		

## Reform #20: The principles in the Local Government Division's Good Governance Guide should be legislated and linked to the behaviours in the Code of Conduct.

Answered: 436



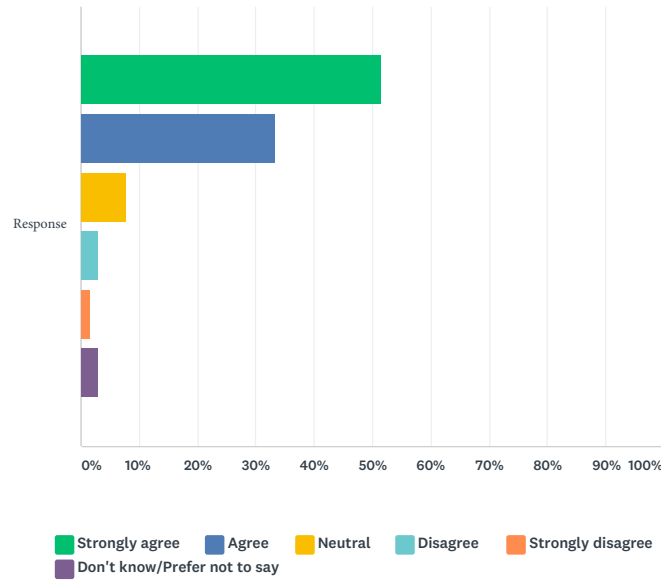
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41.28%	39.68%	8.72%	2.29%	2.06%	5.96%	436	4.98
180	173	38	10	9	26		



Reform #21: Financial management principles that encourage efficiency and value for money in service delivery should be introduced, to set clear expectations for councils when they develop their strategic plans and budgets.

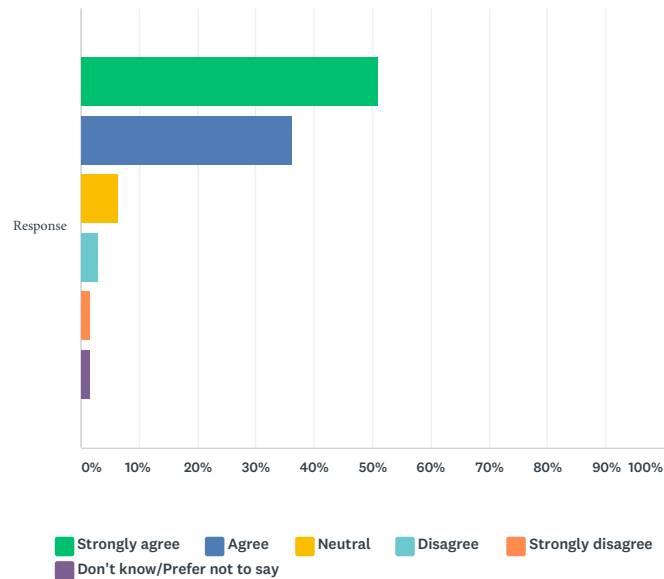
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51.37%	33.33%	7.76%	2.97%	1.60%	2.97%	438	5.21
225	146	34	13	7	13		

**Reform #22: Core councillor capability requirements should be established relating to their roles and responsibilities (such as financial fundamentals, ethics and meeting procedures).**

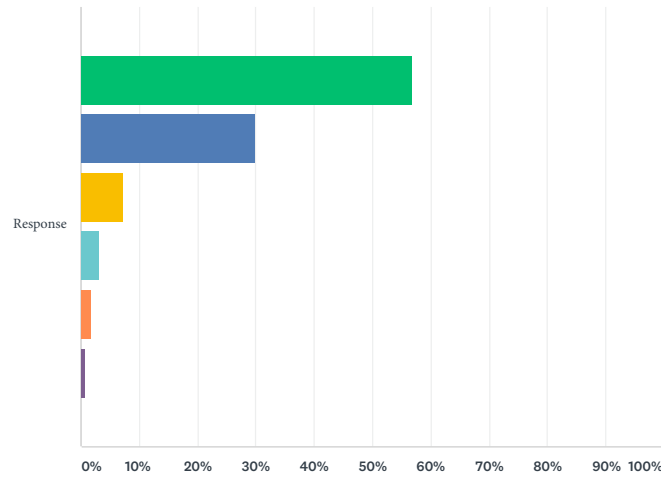
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51.15%	36.24%	6.42%	2.98%	1.61%	1.61%	436	5.28
223	158	28	13	7	7		

## Reform #22 cont'd: Planning Authority training for elected members should be compulsory.

Answered: 438

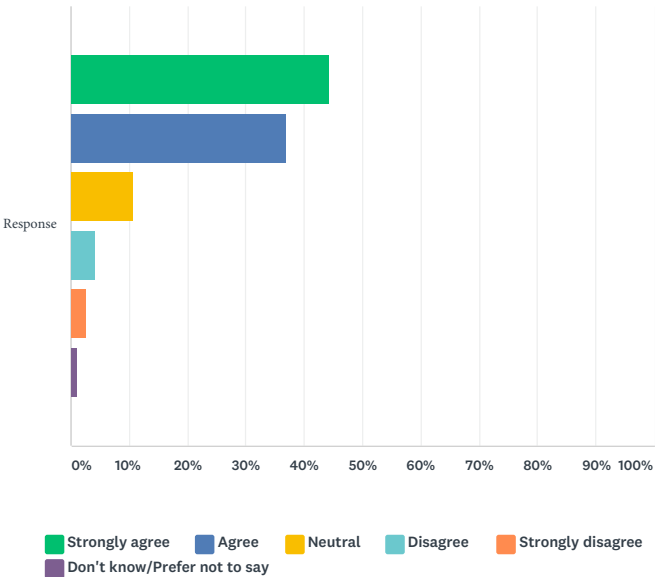


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56.85%	29.91%	7.31%	3.20%	1.83%	0.91%	438	5.34
249	131	32	14	8	4		

Reform #23: Councils should be required to publicly report the core capability training that elected members have undertaken, on an annual basis.

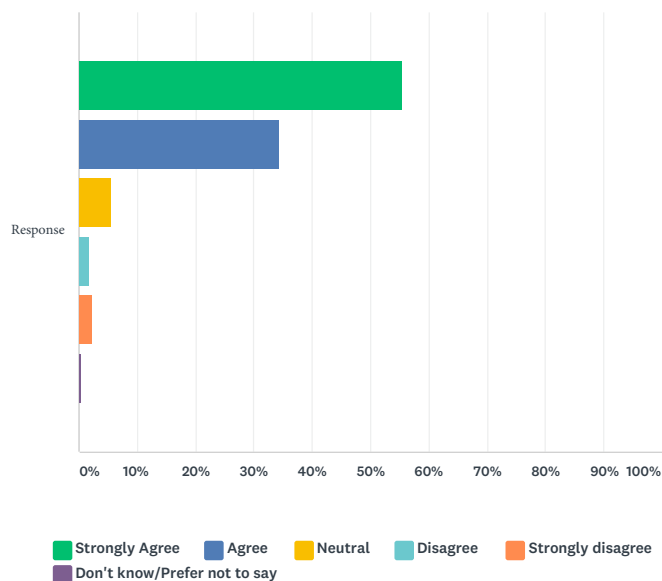
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44.29%	36.99%	10.73%	4.11%	2.74%	1.14%	438	5.13
194	162	47	18	12	5		

**Reform #24: Principles that set minimum standards of behaviour for council staff, similar to those of State Service employees, should be established.**

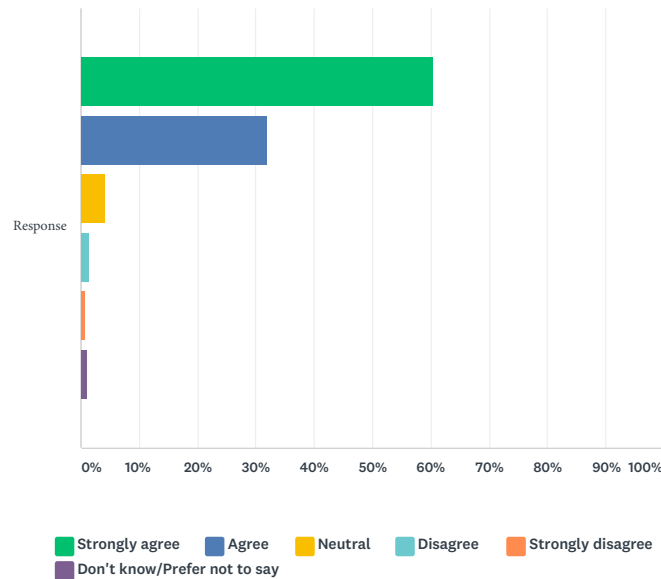
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55.38%	34.32%	5.72%	1.83%	2.29%	0.46%	437	5.37
242	150	25	8	10	2		

Reform #25: Minimum standards for general manager recruitment, contracts, performance management and termination should be established.

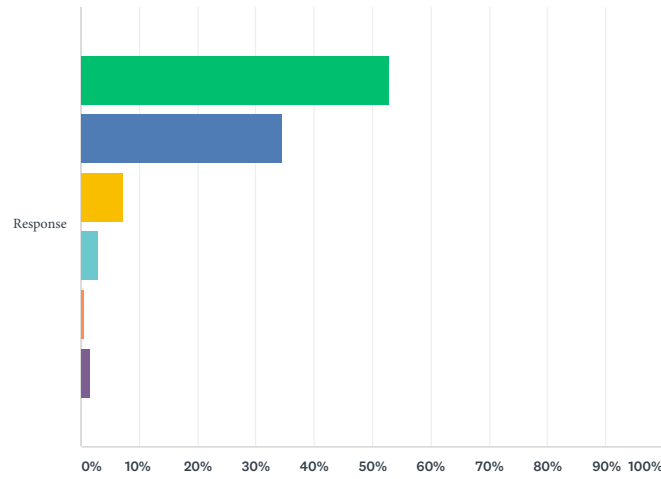
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60.50%	31.96%	4.11%	1.37%	0.91%	1.14%	438	5.46
265	140	18	6	4	5		

## Reform #26: Principles on the management of complaints to councils should be included in legislation.

Answered: 437

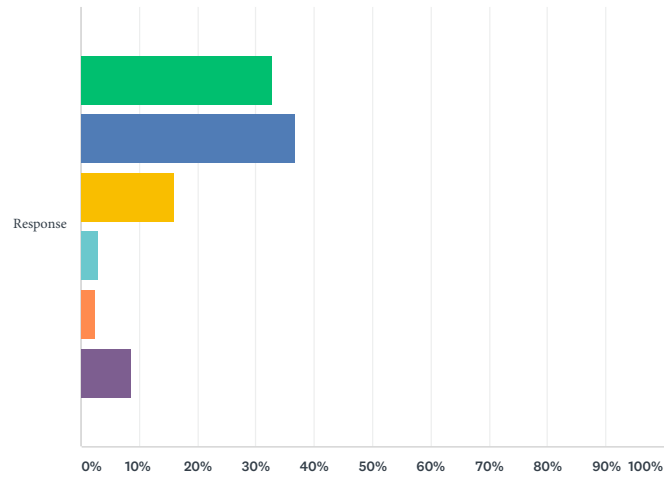


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52.86%	34.55%	7.32%	2.97%	0.69%	1.60%	437	5.31
231	151	32	13	3	7		

Reform #27: Council rating policies should consider the principles of taxation and align with their financial and budget planning documents.

Answered: 438



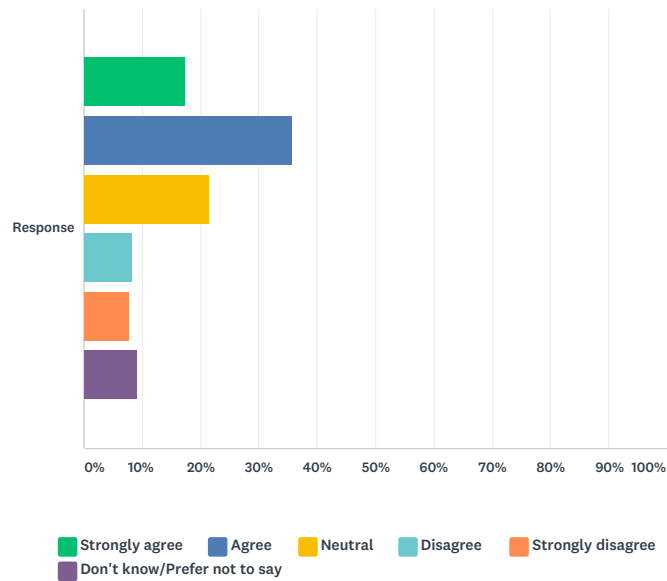
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32.88%	36.76%	16.21%	2.97%	2.51%	8.68%	438	4.68
144	161	71	13	11	38		



**Reform #28: More flexibility should be introduced to allow councils to easily transition from one rating approach to another (e.g. moving from Assessed Annual Value to Capital Value), to manage rating impacts on ratepayers.**

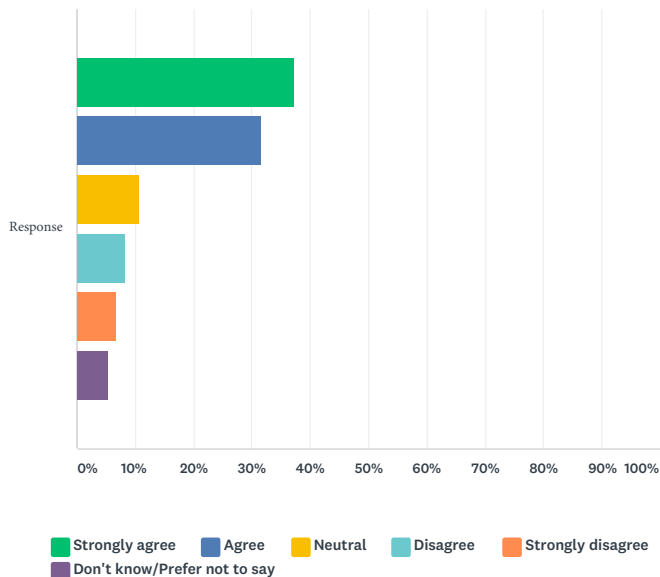
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17.39%	35.70%	21.51%	8.47%	7.78%	9.15%	437	4.19
76	156	94	37	34	40		

Reform #29: A rates oversight mechanism should be introduced, such as a role for the Tasmanian Economic Regulator to provide independent expertise and oversight on proposed rates increases that deviate from a council's Long-Term Financial Management Plan and are significantly greater than the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

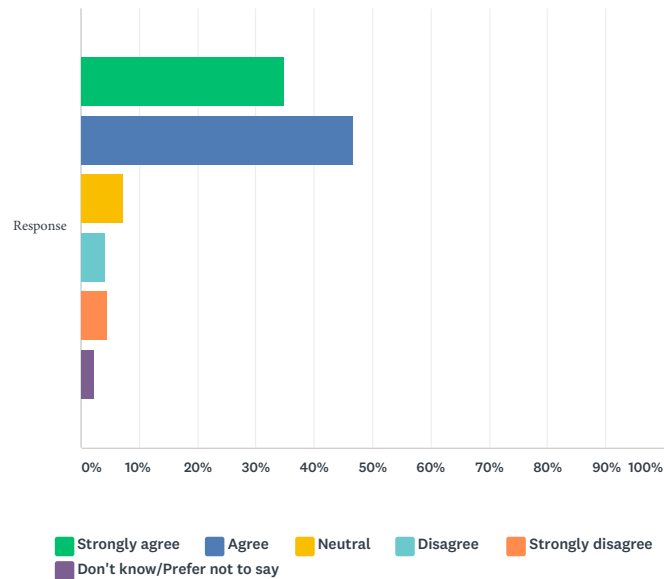
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37.21%	31.51%	10.73%	8.45%	6.62%	5.48%	438	4.68
163	138	47	37	29	24		

Reform #30: To promote greater consistency between the fees and charges charged by councils, principles or guidelines should be established in relation to setting fees and charges.

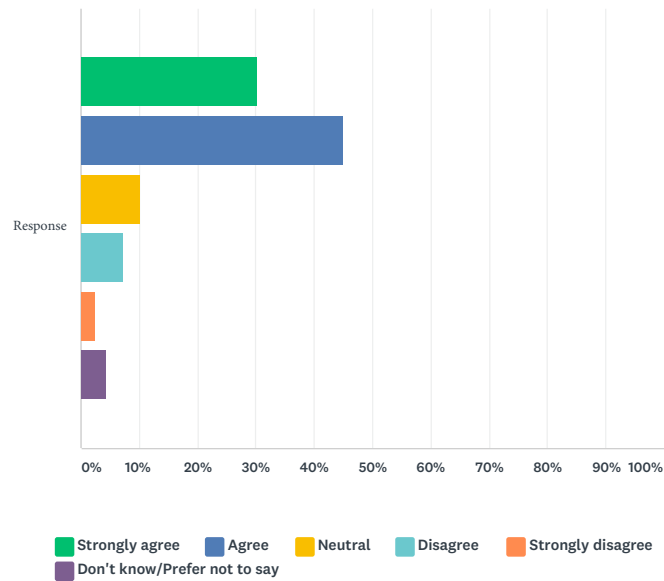
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35.01%	46.68%	7.32%	4.12%	4.58%	2.29%	437	4.97
153	204	32	18	20	10		

Reform #31: The new legislation should provide councils with more flexibility to allocate resources within their operational budget as required. This would include a requirement for a half-yearly financial report to council stating actual expenditure against the budget.

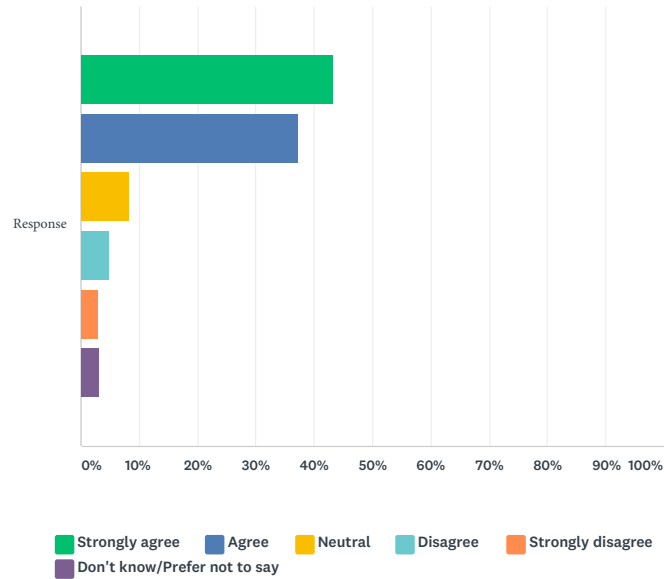
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30.43%	45.08%	10.30%	7.32%	2.52%	4.35%	437	4.81
133	197	45	32	11	19		

Reform #32: The new legislation should clarify and better define 'significant business activities'. This would ensure that if significant business activities are competing with the private market, they are operating on fair terms and if operating for a profit, they would not enjoy benefits not available to private enterprise (such as tendering exemptions).

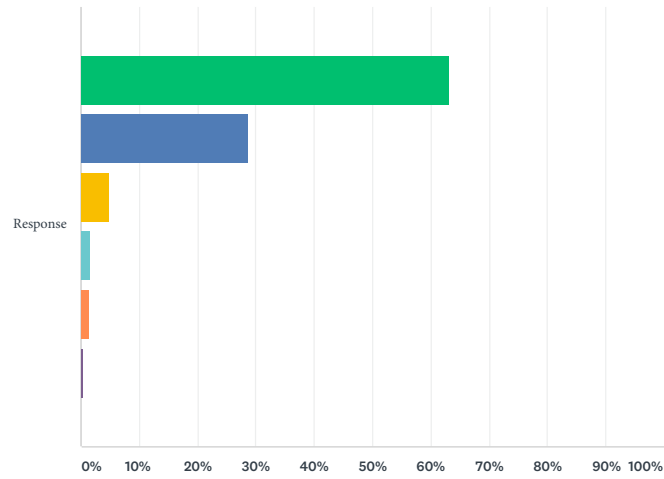
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43.38% 190	37.21% 163	8.45% 37	4.79% 21	2.97% 13	3.20% 14	438	5.04

## Reform #33: Councils should be required to electronically record meetings and make these recordings publicly available.

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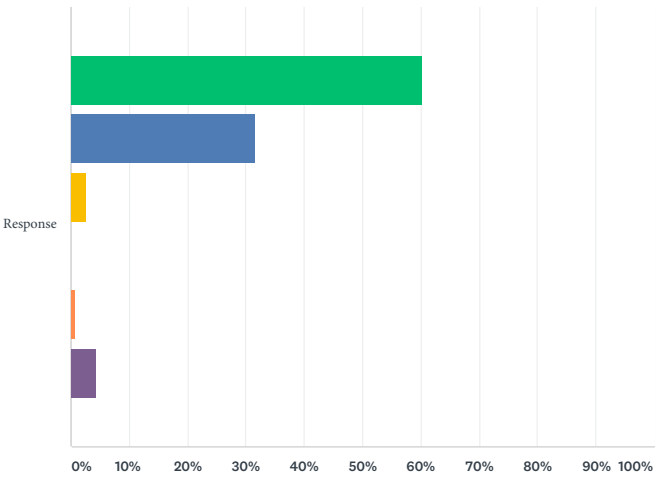


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63.16%	28.60%	4.81%	1.60%	1.37%	0.46%	437	5.49
276	125	21	7	6	2		

Reform #34: Conflicts of interest should be simplified and clarified in legislation, as well as through easy-to-read guidelines for councillors.

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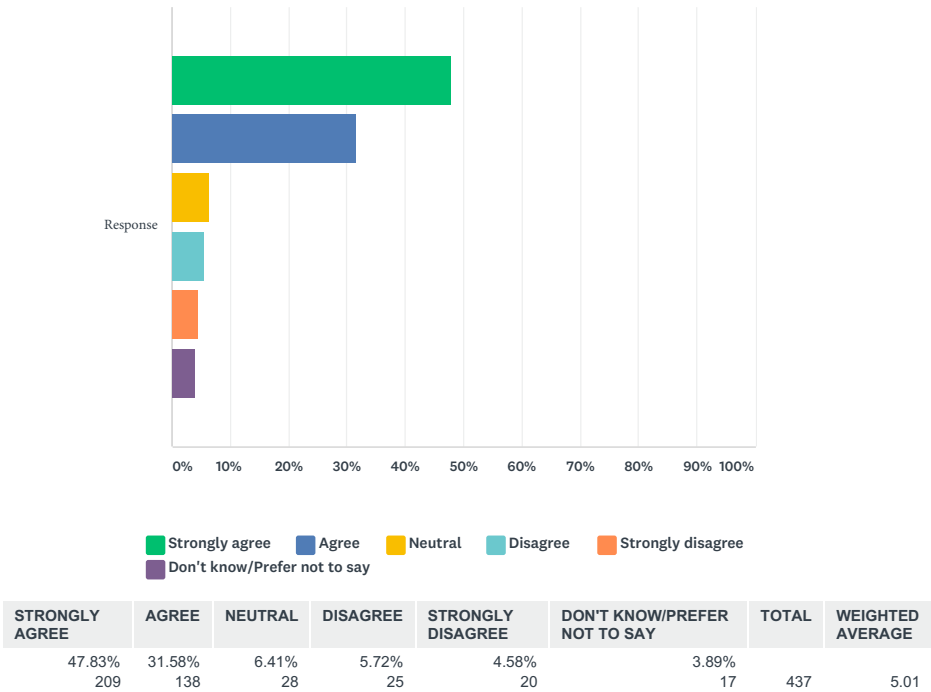


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60.27%	31.51%	2.74%	0.23%	0.91%	4.34%	438	5.37
264	138	12	1	4	19		

Reform #35: Councils should manage conflicts when undertaking statutory functions by referring matters to another body, where legally possible. For example, when a council is a developer, it should refer its own land use planning development application to another council or private planner to undertake the assessment.

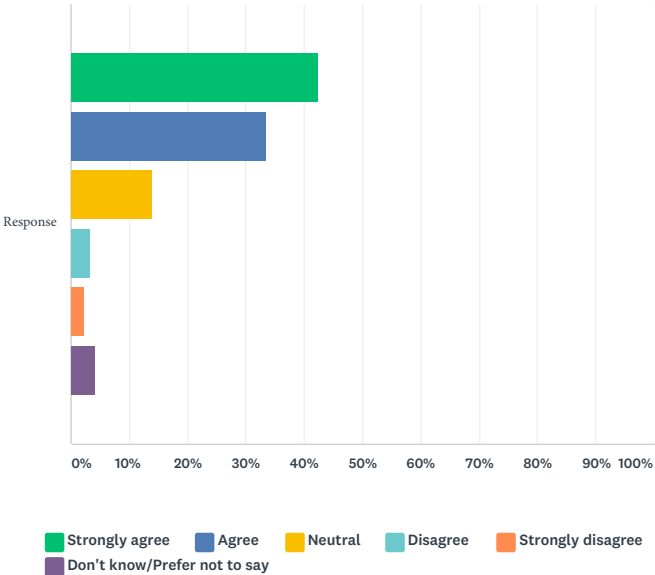
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Reform #36: The information gathering powers of the Director of Local Government should be strengthened, by providing the Director of Local Government powers to request reports from council Audit Panels.

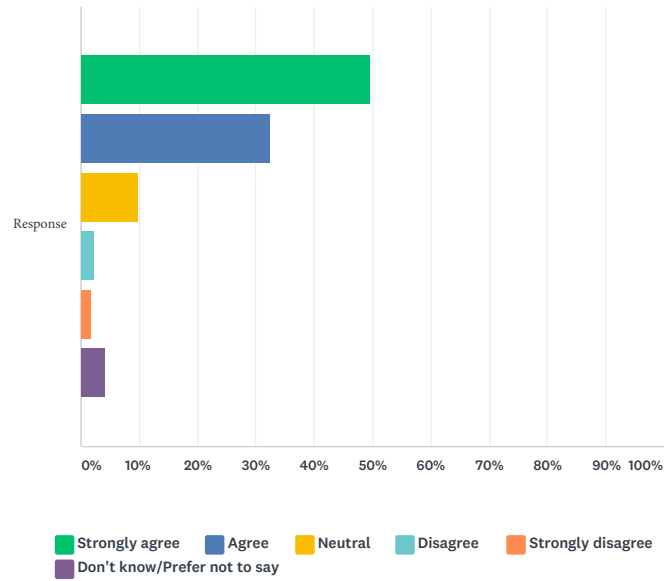
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42.53%	33.56%	14.02%	3.45%	2.30%	4.14%	435	4.98
185	146	61	15	10	18		

Reform #37: A power should be created under the Act to enable the Director of Local Government to require an undertaking from a council, councillor or general manager to correct non-compliance, or ensure there is no recurrence of non-compliance with the Act.

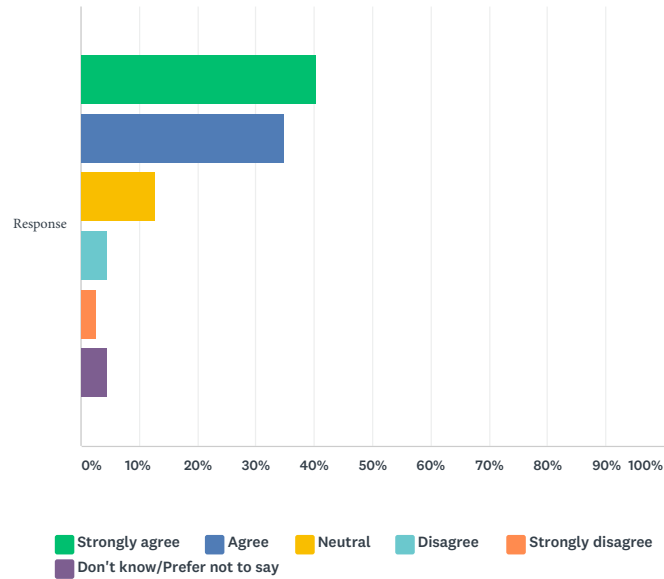
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49.54%	32.42%	9.82%	2.28%	1.83%	4.11%	438	5.13
217	142	43	10	8	18		

**Reform #38: A Monitor/Advisor role should be established, to be engaged by a council or required to have one by the Director of Local Government when issues are identified in a council. The Monitor/Advisor would be able to enter a council to review its operations, request information, provide guidance to elected members and senior staff, and make recommendations.**

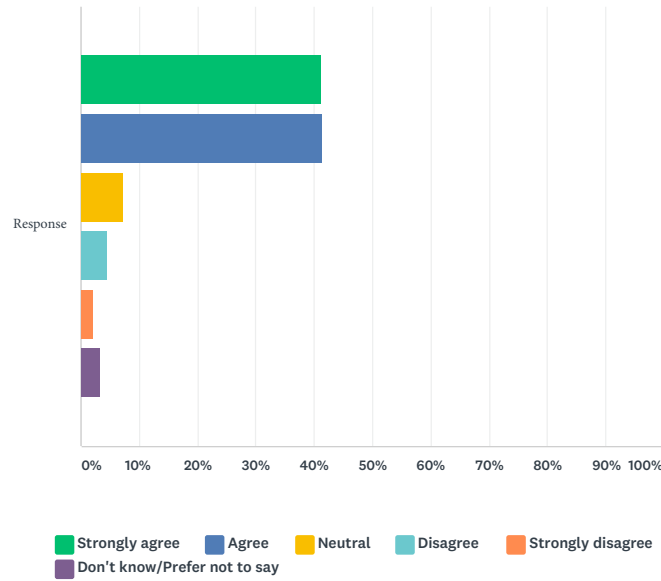
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40.41%	34.93%	12.79%	4.57%	2.74%	4.57%	438	4.92
177	153	56	20	12	20		

**Reform #39: The Director of Local Government should have the power to appoint a Financial Controller to a council to manage serious, demonstrated financial challenges, without putting the council into administration.**

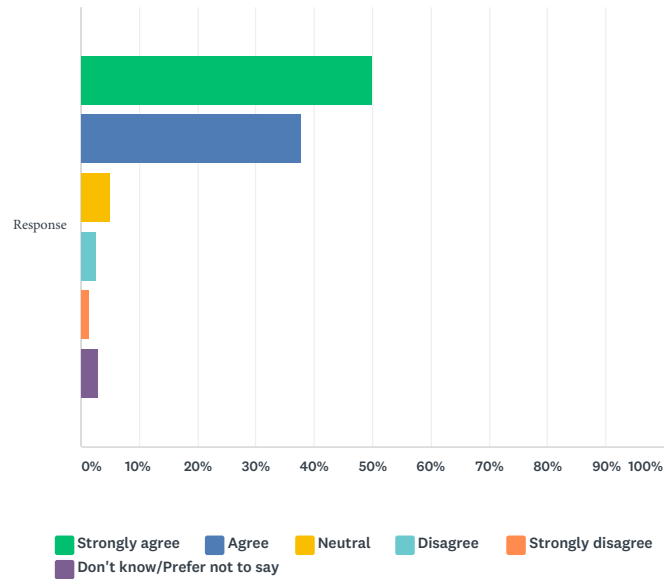
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41.19%	41.42%	7.32%	4.58%	2.06%	3.43%	437	5.05
180	181	32	20	9	15		

**Reform #40: The Director of Local Government should continue to conduct formal investigations into breaches of legislation, with strengthened powers to make findings and recommendations to the Minister regarding suspension or dismissal of a council or individual councillor.**

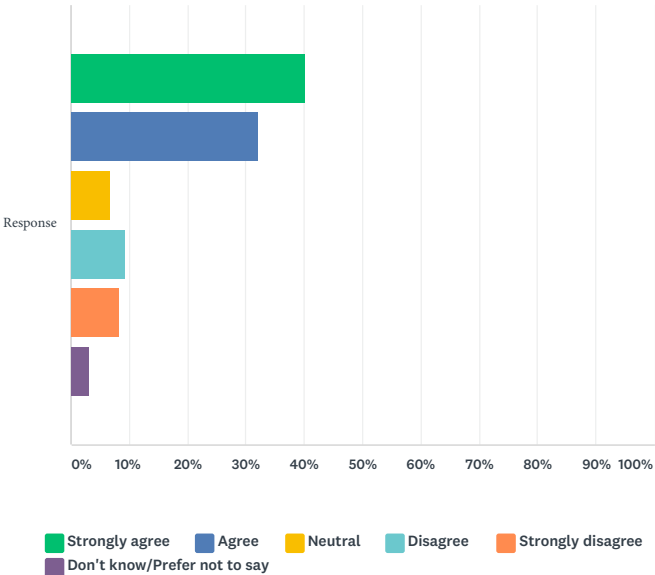
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50.00%	37.84%	5.05%	2.75%	1.38%	2.98%	436	5.23
218	165	22	12	6	13		

Reform #41: A power should be provided for the Minister to dismiss a council or individual councillor. This could occur on the Director of Local Government's recommendation, or the Minister may recommend dismissal of a council to the Governor following findings from a Board of Inquiry.

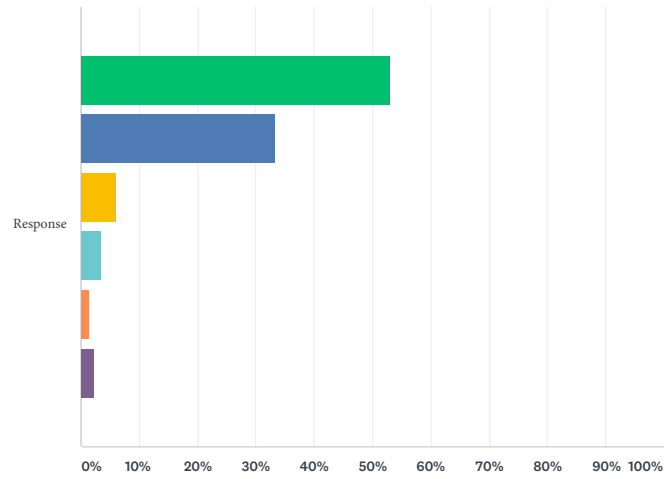
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40.18%	32.19%	6.62%	9.36%	8.45%	3.20%	438	4.77
176	141	29	41	37	14		

## Reform #42: Offences should be created for mismanagement and to address poor governance (maladministration).

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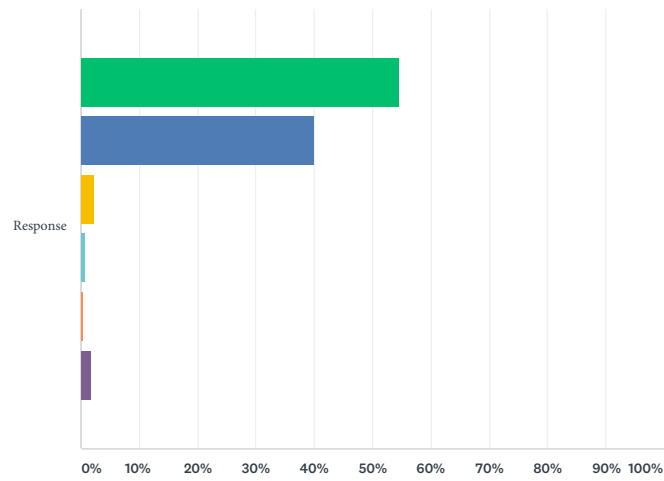


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53.20%	33.33%	6.16%	3.65%	1.37%	2.28%	438	5.26
233	146	27	16	6	10		

### Reform #43: The framework for complaints about councils should be simplified to provide clarity for complainants.

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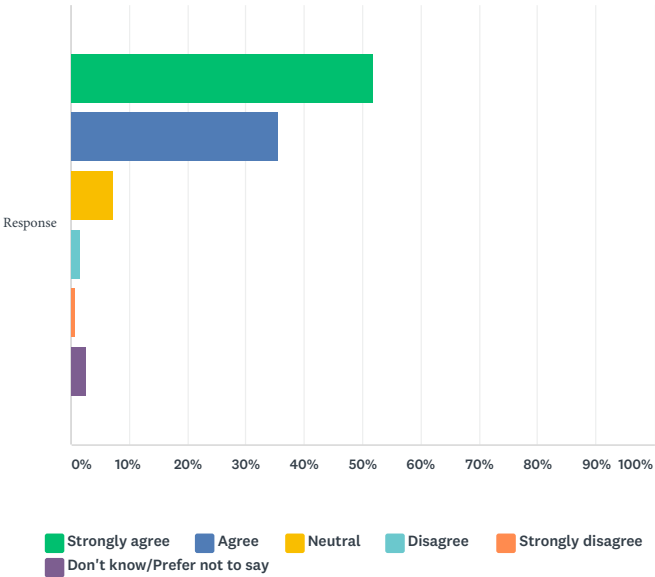
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54.57%	39.95%	2.28%	0.91%	0.46%	1.83%	438	5.42
239	175	10	4	2	8		



Reform #44: A local government performance reporting framework should be introduced and made publicly accessible. Users would be able to access information relating to their council over time, including statistics on council finances, infrastructure, and planning and development activities.

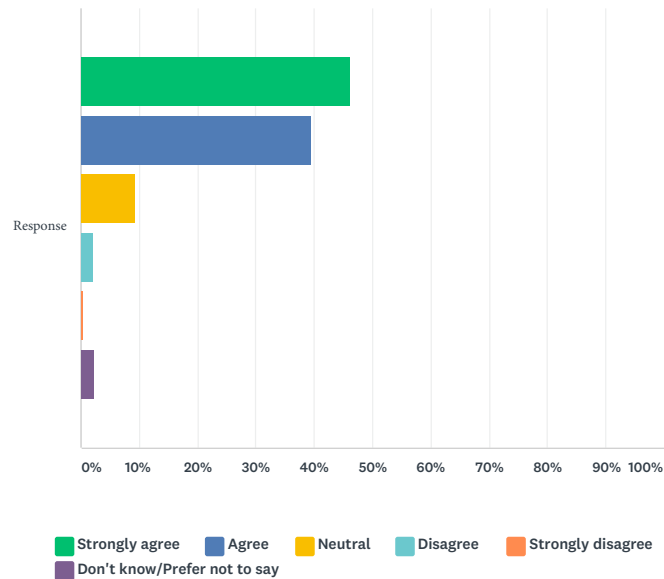
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51.95%	35.47%	7.32%	1.60%	0.92%	2.75%	437	5.28
227	155	32	7	4	12		

**Reform #45: Councils should be required to publish a compliance statement in their Annual Report, as a formal attestation that their compliance obligations have been met.**

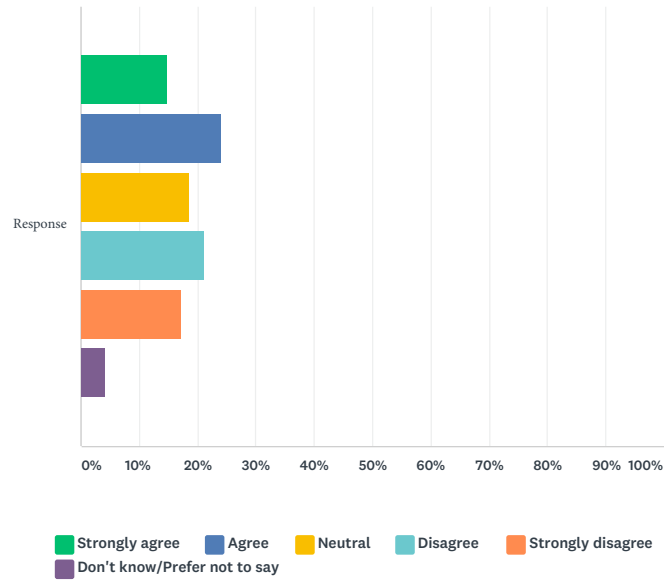
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46.22%	39.59%	9.38%	2.06%	0.46%	2.29%	437	5.22
202	173	41	9	2	10		

Reform #46: Prescriptive requirements around what should be included in council Annual Reports should be removed. Future requirements for Annual Reports would include what a council determines through its Community Engagement Strategy.

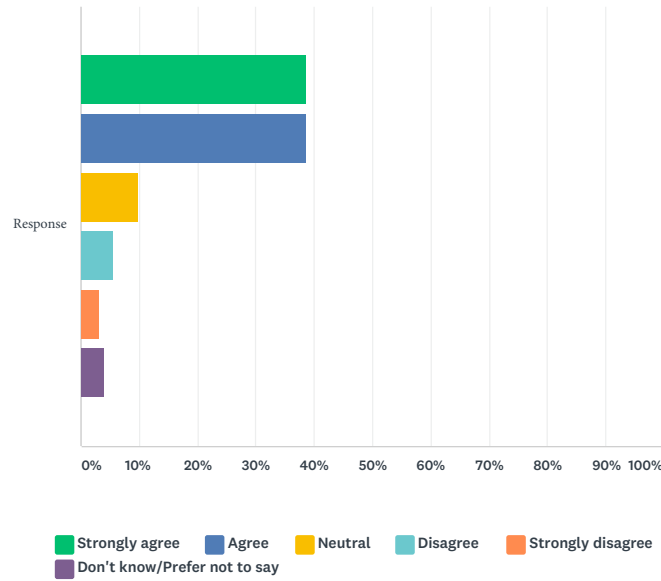
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14.84%	23.97%	18.72%	21.23%	17.12%	4.11%	438	3.86
65	105	82	93	75	18		

**Reform # 47: Provisions should be introduced that support collaboration between councils and shared service opportunities, as well as the power for two or more councils to be serviced by one administrative organisation.**

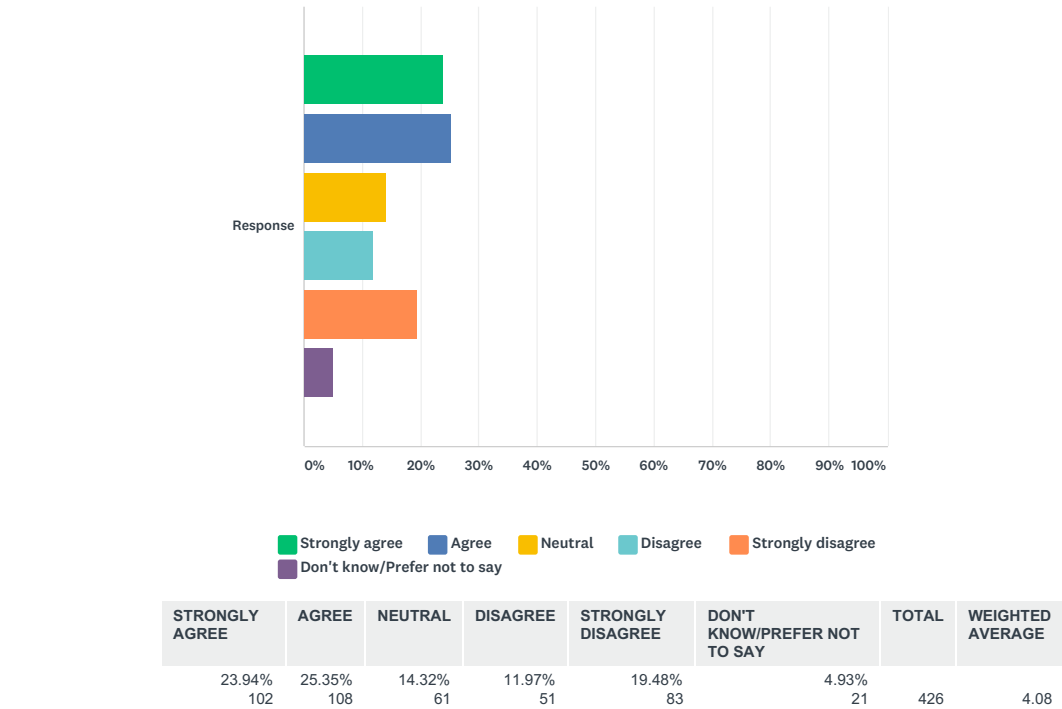
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38.73%	38.73%	9.86%	5.63%	3.05%	3.99%	426	4.92
165	165	42	24	13	17		

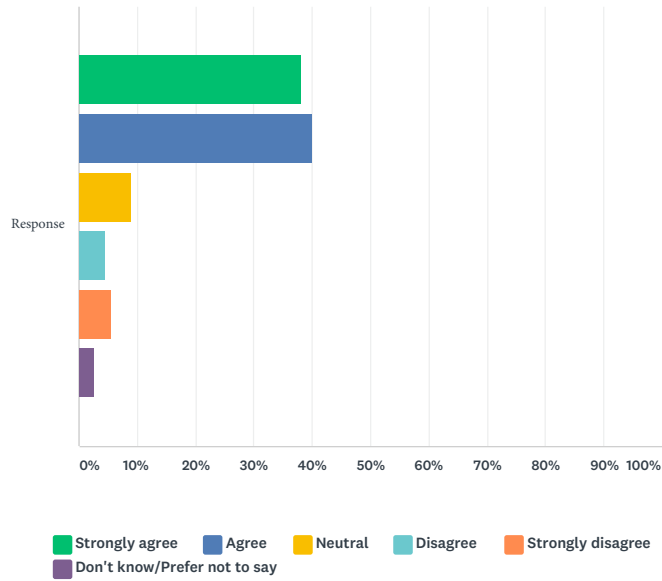
Reform #48: The power to create Regional Councils should be introduced. Regional Councils would be supported by a general manager and staff, while the local councils would be serviced by one administrative organisation. The Regional Council would be responsible for region-wide planning and service delivery. The local councils would retain some local decisions and remain the primary advocates for their communities. Membership of Regional Councils would include the mayors of the individual local councils, and any other members determined by those councils.

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Reform #49: Model by-laws should be created for common issues, to achieve consistency across municipalities. Councils would still be required to consult with their communities on municipality-specific issues before adopting the final by-law.

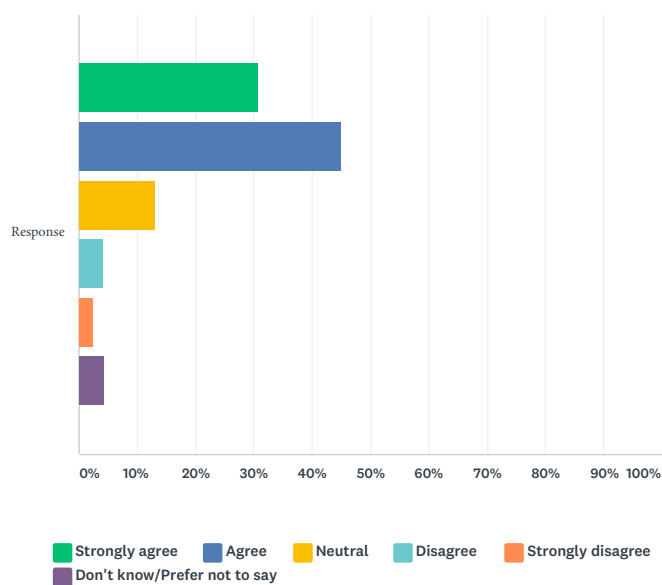
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38.03%	39.91%	8.92%	4.69%	5.63%	2.82%	426	4.92
162	170	38	20	24	12		

**Reform #50: The Local Government Board should undertake strategic reviews of local government and, at minimum, undertake a review of councillor numbers and allowances every eight years, and a review of the 'State of the Sector' every five years.**

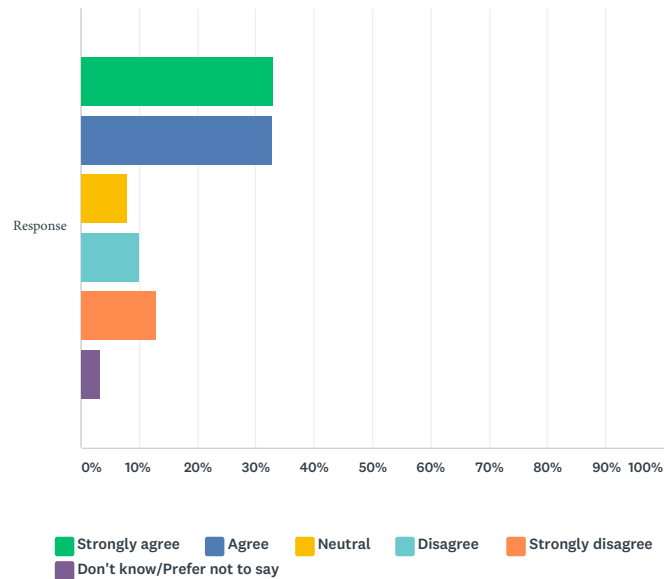
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30.68%	44.96%	13.11%	4.22%	2.58%	4.45%	427	4.84
131	192	56	18	11	19		

**Reform #51:** The new legislation should include a power for a voluntary amalgamation to occur, without the need for a Local Government Board review, if it is requested by two or more councils.

Answered: 427



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33.02%	32.79%	7.96%	10.07%	12.88%	3.28%	427	4.53
141	140	34	43	55	14		