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Quarry Conservation Management Plan Consultation Results

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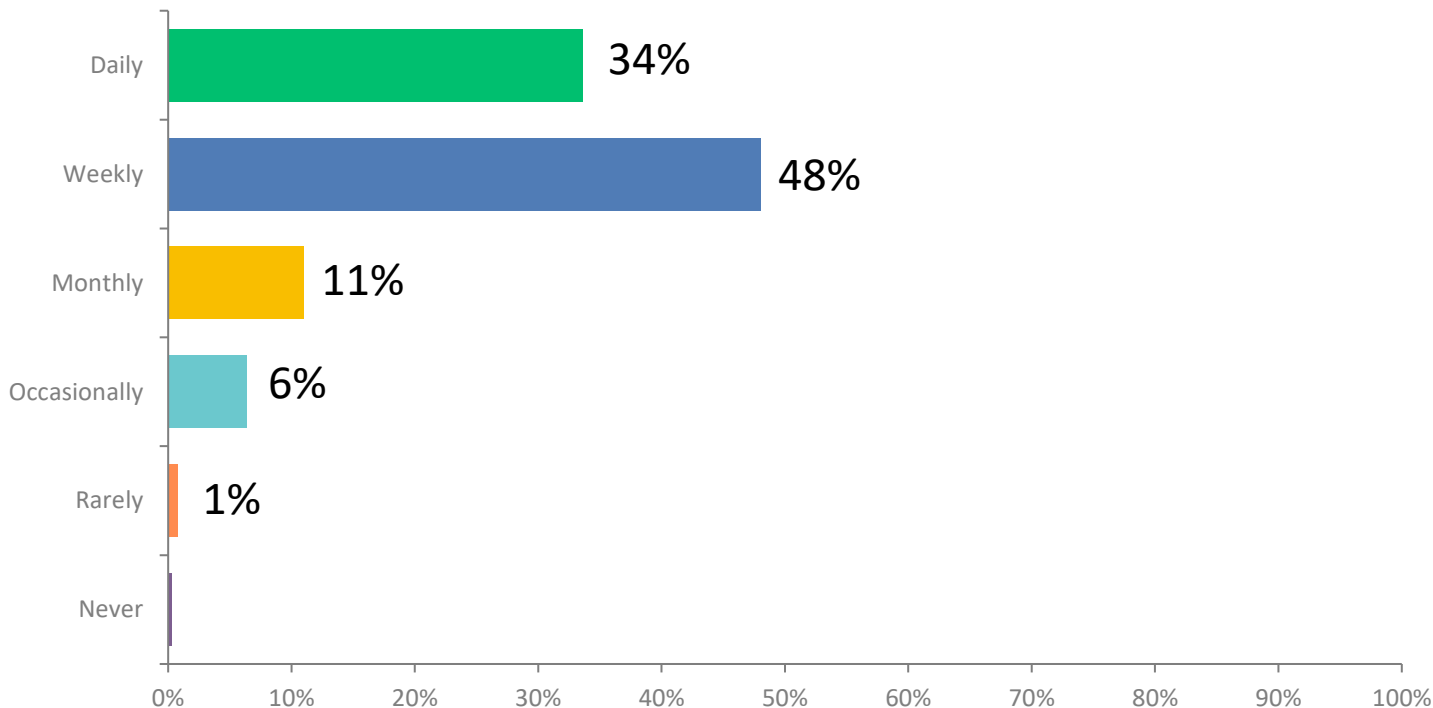
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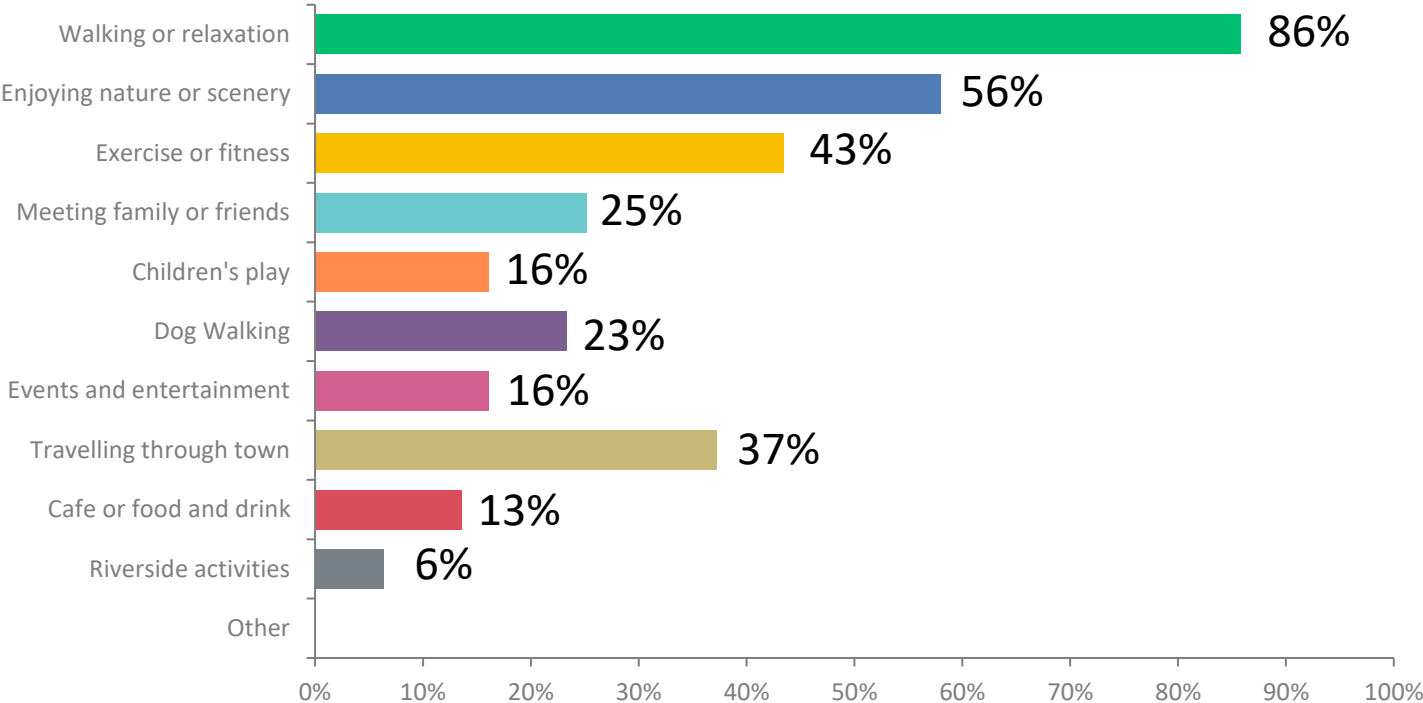
Q1: How often do you visit The Quarry?

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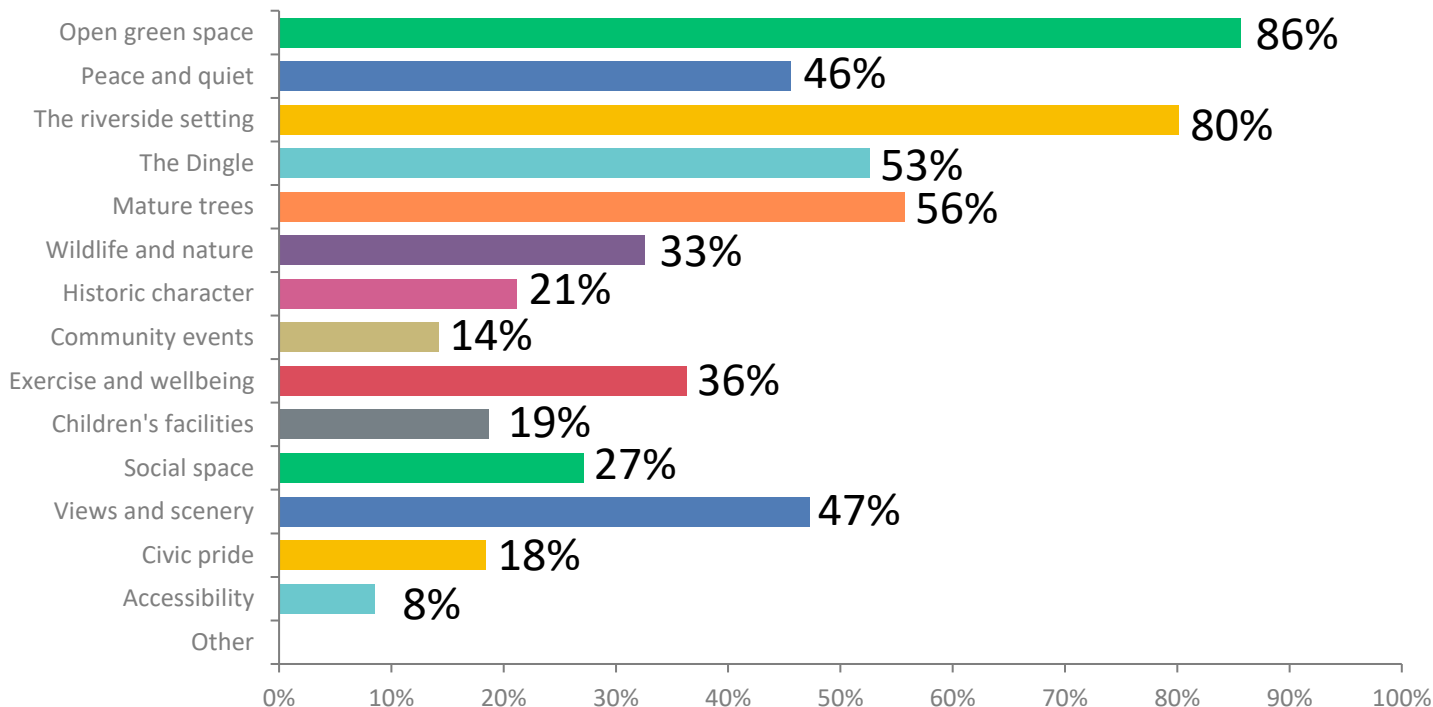
Q2: What are your main reasons for visiting The Quarry? (Please select up to 3)

Answered: 647 Skipped: 2



Q3: What do you value most about The Quarry (Please select up to 5)

Answered: 648 Skipped: 1



Q4: In three words, how would you describe The Quarry?

Answered: 585 Skipped: 64



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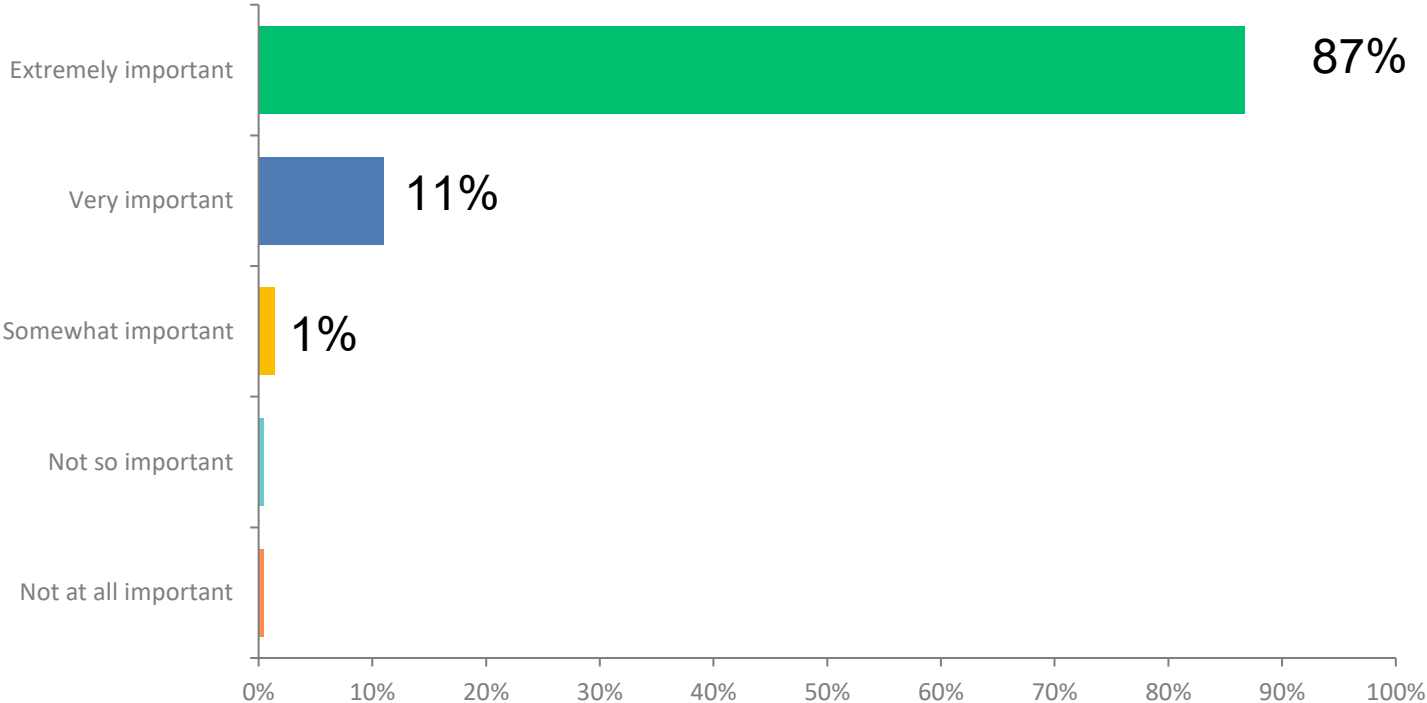
Answered: 585 Skipped: 64

An AI paragraph description of The Quarry using the three word answers:

The Quarry is the beautiful green heart of Shrewsbury – a peaceful, open space where people can relax, connect with nature and enjoy the riverside setting. It is seen as a calm and welcoming community asset, offering a unique and historic environment that is accessible, spacious and safe for everyone. Whether for recreation, events or quiet reflection, the Quarry is valued as one of the town's most important and cherished places.

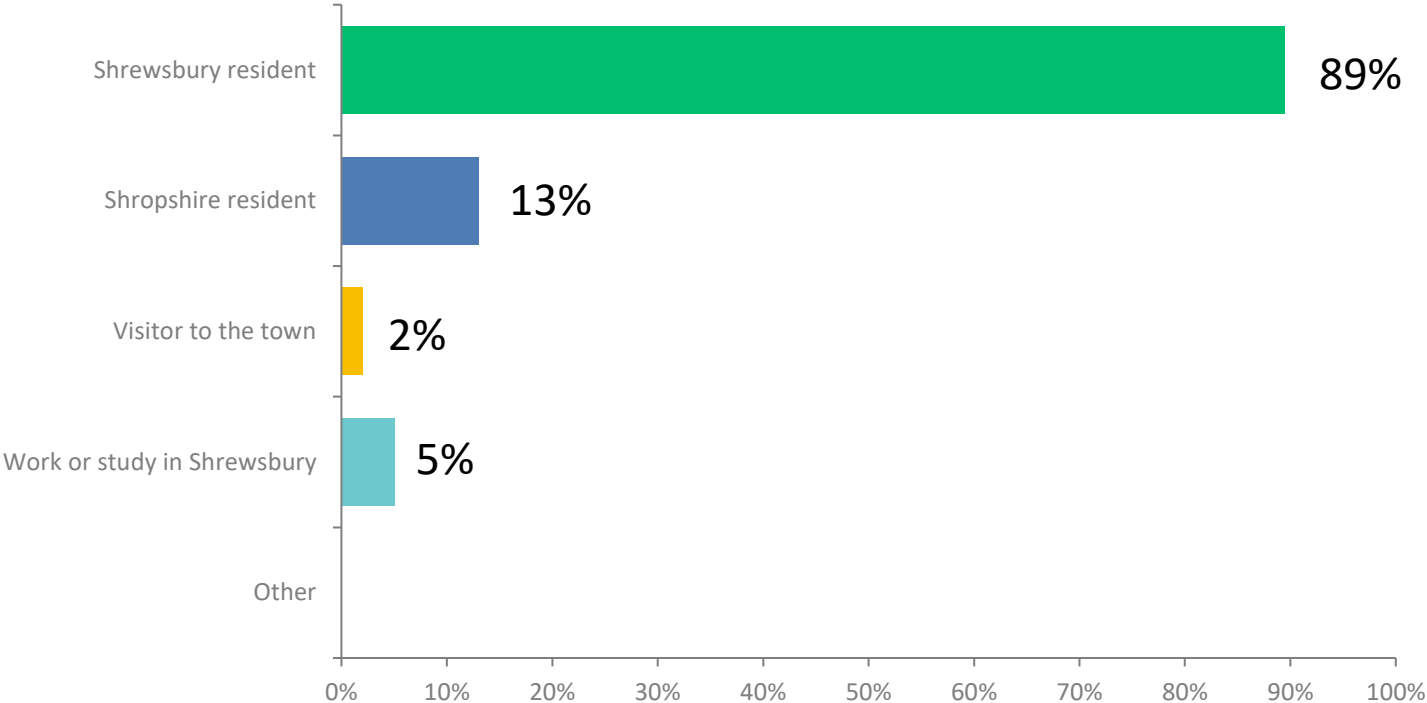
Q5: Overall, how important is The Quarry to Shrewsbury's identity?

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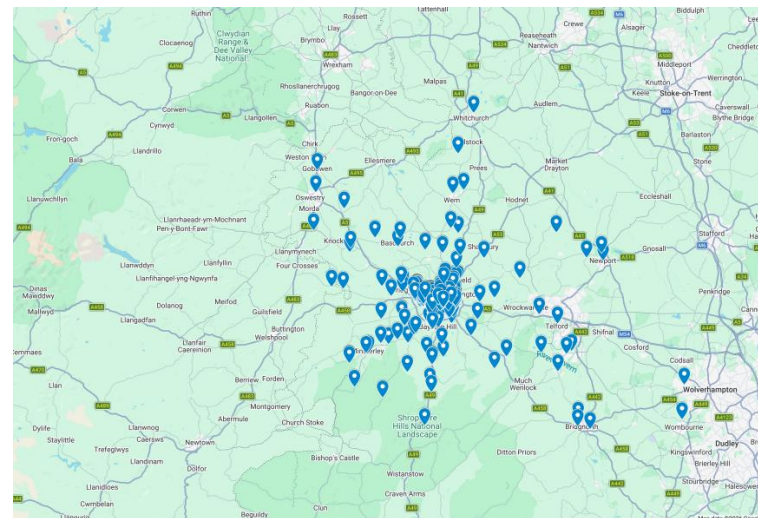
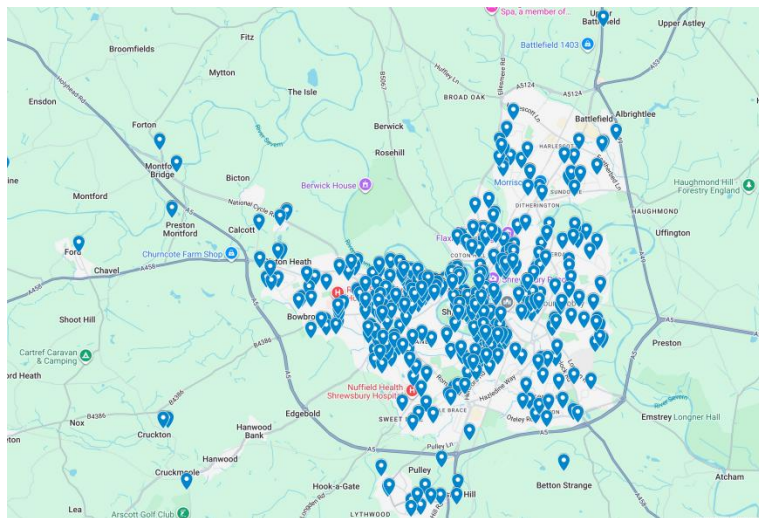
Q6: Which best describes you? Please tick all which apply

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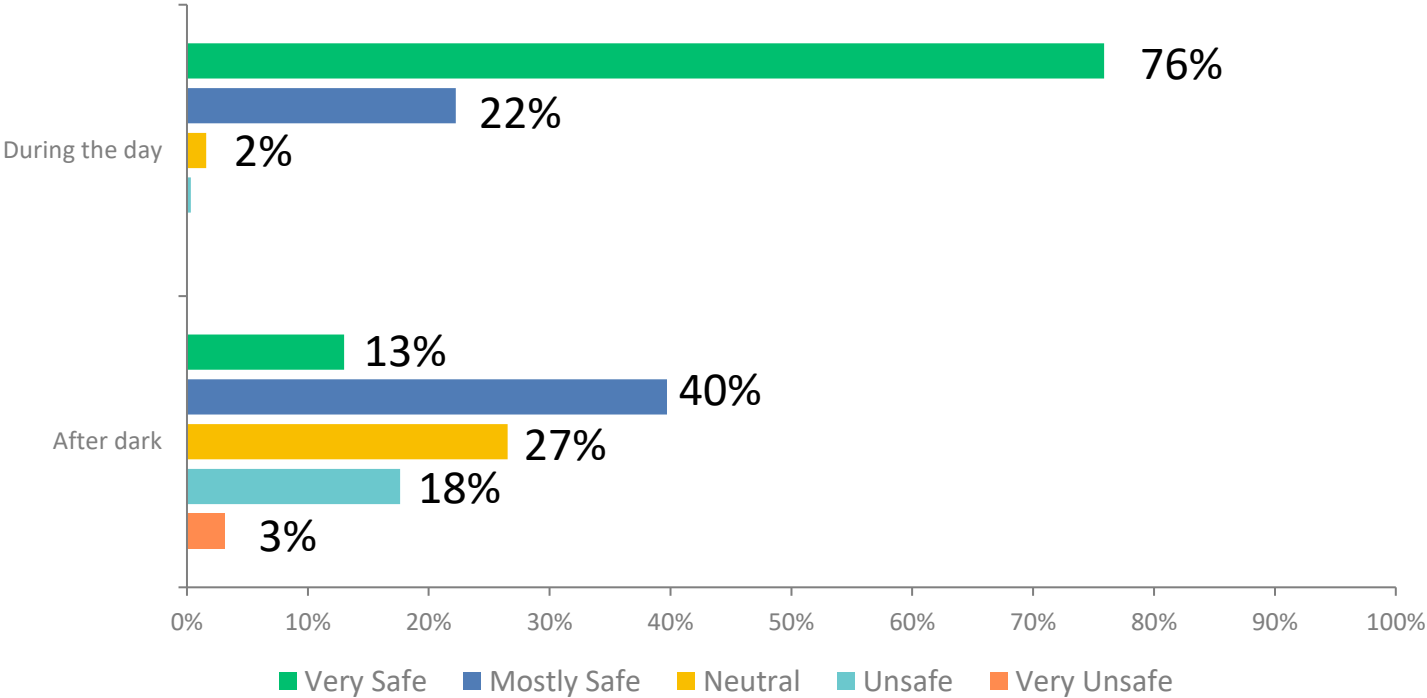
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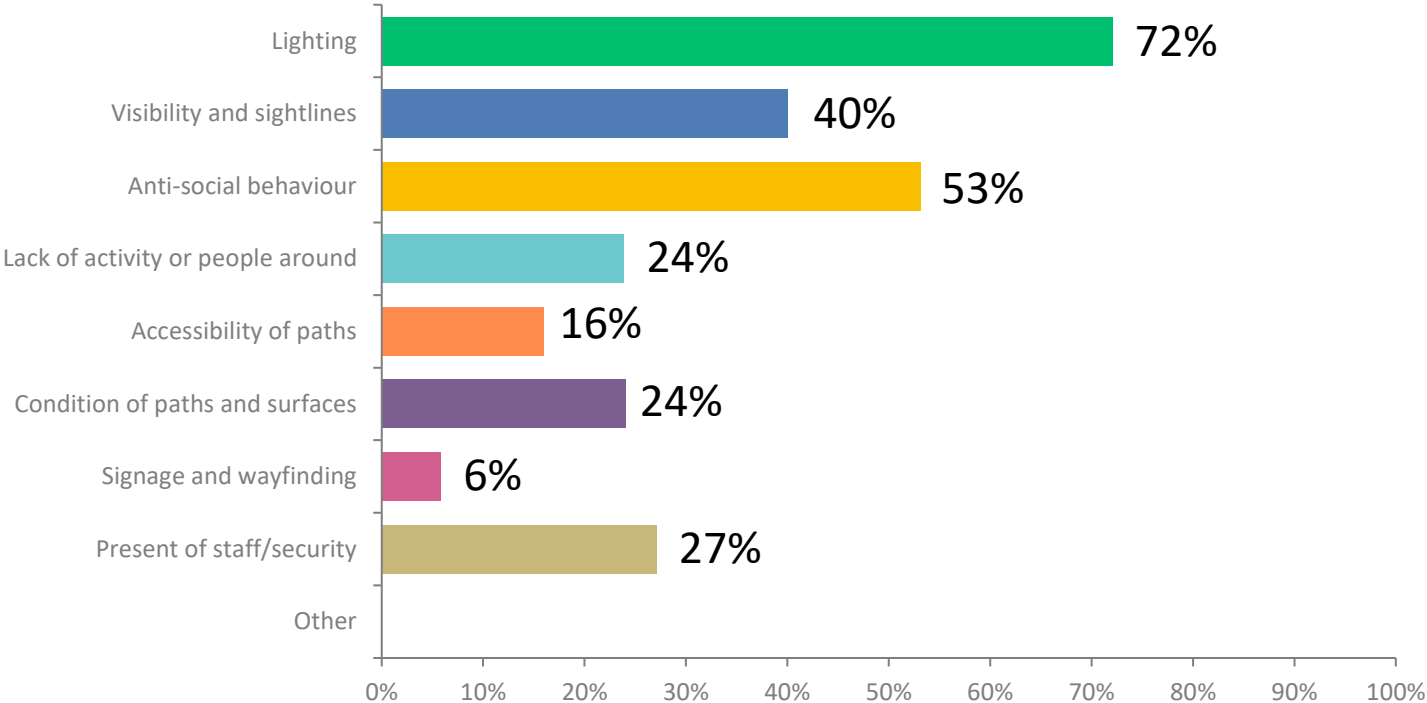
Q8: How safe do you feel in The Quarry?

Answered: 636 Skipped: 13



Q9: What factors most affect how safe or welcoming The Quarry feels?

Answered: 619 Skipped: 30



Q10: Are there particular areas of The Quarry that feel less safe or less welcoming?

Answered: 390 Skipped: 276

A summary of the Responses:

- 1) **The Quarry is generally perceived as a safe and welcoming place.** A significant proportion of respondents stated they have no concerns and feel comfortable throughout the park.
- 2) **Poor lighting is the most common concern.** Respondents frequently mentioned feeling less safe after dark, particularly on paths with limited lighting and around entrances.
- 3) **Women were more likely to mention feeling vulnerable at night.** Several respondents, particularly women, described feeling uneasy when walking alone after dark, even where there had been no direct incidents.
- 4) **Certain bridges and underpasses attract concern.** Areas beneath bridges (particularly Porthill Bridge) and enclosed sections were regularly described as feeling less welcoming because of poor visibility or people gathering there.
- 5) **Anti-social behaviour affects perceptions of safety.** Groups of young people, intoxicated individuals, drinking, and occasional reports of aggressive behaviour or fights were mentioned by several respondents.

6) Some riverside paths feel isolated. Sections alongside the River Severn, particularly quieter stretches and routes between bridges, were highlighted as feeling less safe when they are quiet or poorly lit.

7) Public toilets were repeatedly identified as unwelcoming. Respondents described the toilets as dated, poorly maintained, and areas where they sometimes feel uncomfortable.

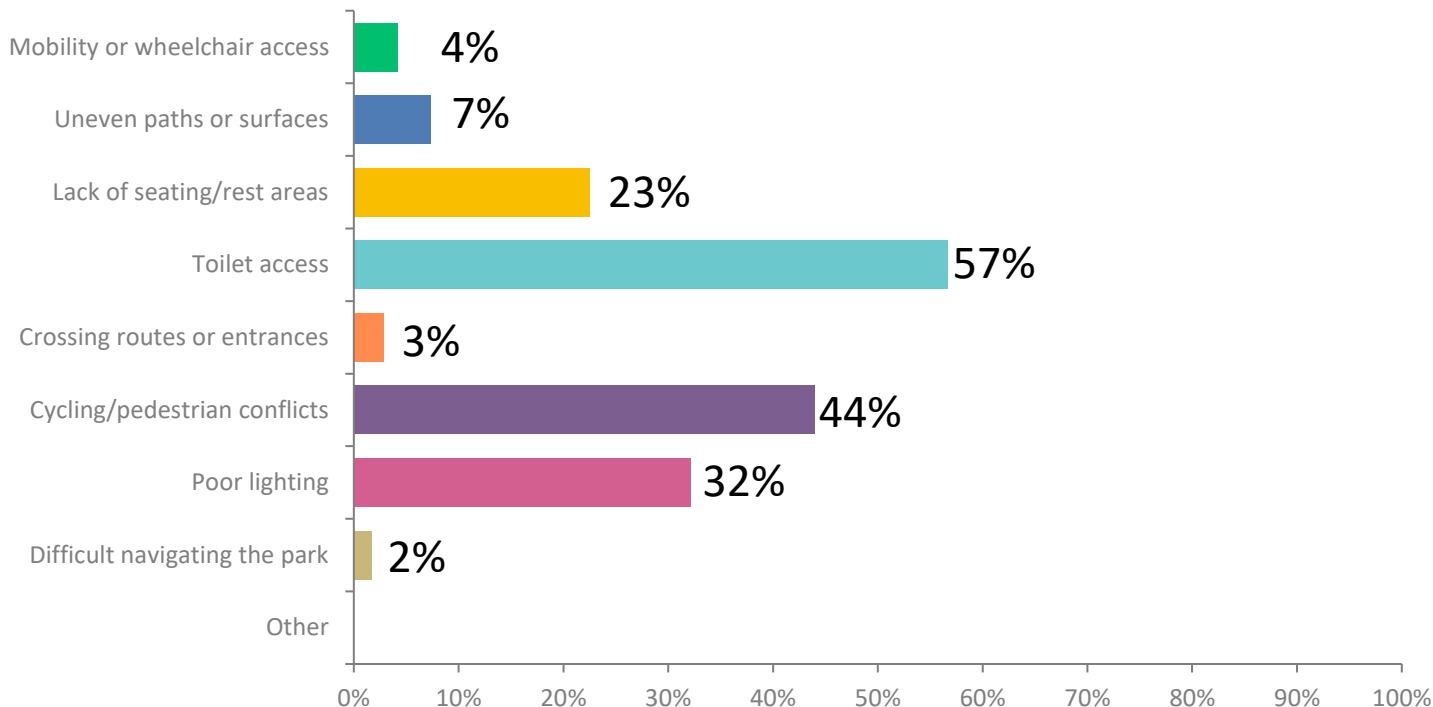
8) Most concerns relate to evenings and winter months. Many respondents explained they feel safe during daylight hours, with concerns increasing only when visibility is poor.

9) Maintenance influences perceptions of safety. Overgrown vegetation, hidden corners, and areas where visibility is restricted were seen as making spaces feel less welcoming, even if crime was not perceived to be high.

10) Respondents generally want targeted improvements rather than major changes. The feedback suggests that better lighting, improved maintenance, upgraded toilet facilities, and measures to discourage anti-social behaviour would address most of the concerns raised while preserving the character of The Quarry.

Q11: Do you or people you know experience barriers using The Quarry?

Answered: 355 Skipped: 294



Q12: What improvements would make The Quarry feel more inclusive and welcoming?

Answered: 464 Skipped: 202

A summary of the Responses:

- 1) Improve public toilet facilities.** This was by far the most common suggestion. Respondents called for cleaner, more modern toilets, longer opening hours, better accessibility, baby changing facilities, and improved maintenance.
- 2) Increase and improve lighting.** Many respondents felt additional or upgraded lighting on key paths would make The Quarry feel more welcoming, particularly during winter and in the evenings.
- 3) Provide more seating throughout the park.** Respondents frequently requested additional benches, particularly along walking routes, near the playground, and in quieter areas for older visitors and those with limited mobility.
- 4) Maintain the natural character of The Quarry.** Many respondents supported improvements but stressed that they should be sympathetic to the park's historic landscape, with minimal additional buildings or urban features.
- 5) Improve accessibility for everyone.** Suggestions included smoother paths, better wheelchair and mobility scooter access, clearer wayfinding, inclusive play equipment, and facilities that are accessible to people with disabilities.

6) Enhance facilities for families. Respondents suggested improvements around the play area, including better toilets, additional seating, shade, café facilities, and enhancements to the splash pad.

7) Address safety through subtle measures. Rather than extensive security measures, respondents generally favoured better lighting, occasional visible patrols, and good maintenance to help people feel safe.

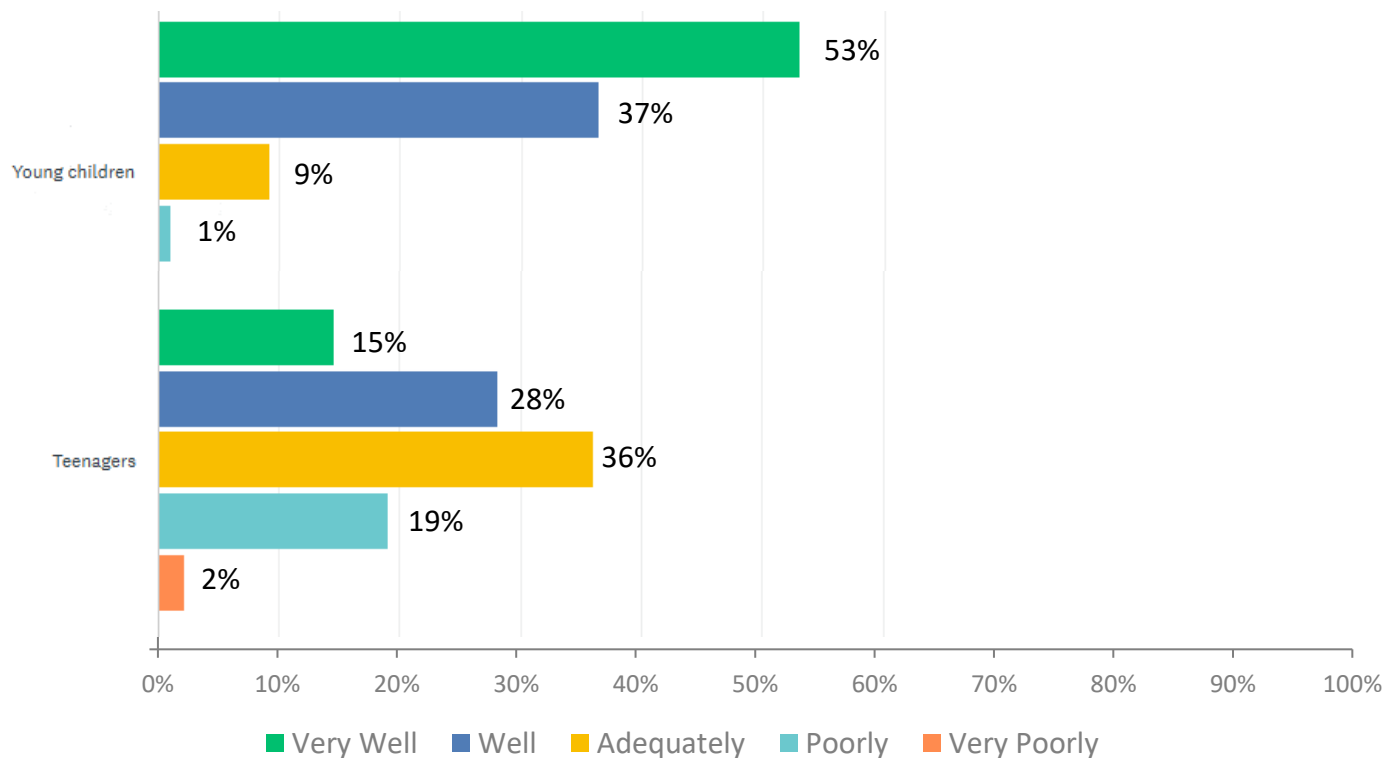
8) Manage shared use of paths more effectively. There were recurring comments about conflicts between cyclists, pedestrians, runners, and dog walkers, with suggestions for clearer signage and better etiquette.

9) Continue investing in maintenance and cleanliness. Well-maintained paths, planting, grass, litter collection, and vegetation management were viewed as important in making The Quarry feel welcoming.

10) Encourage community use while remaining inclusive. Respondents supported events, activities and opportunities to bring people together, provided they are balanced with preserving quiet spaces and ensuring The Quarry remains welcoming to all ages and backgrounds

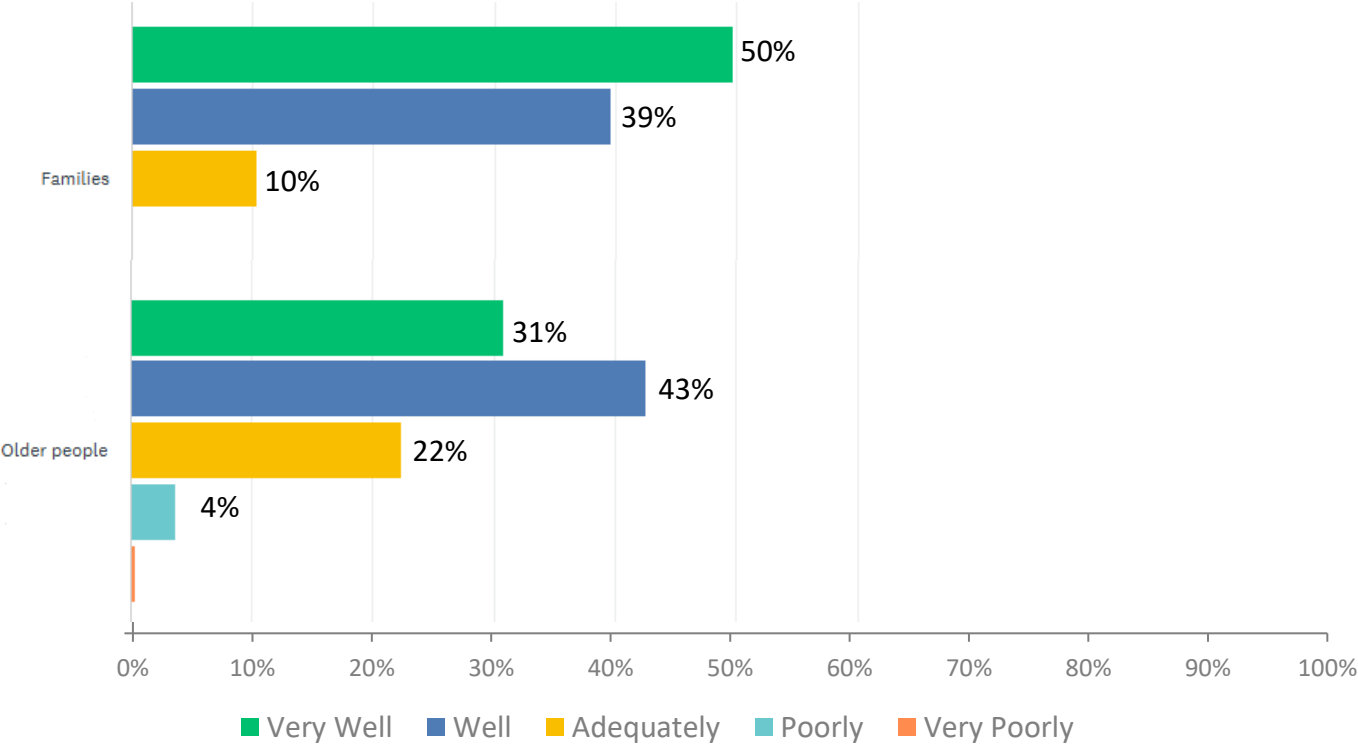
Q13: How well does The Quarry currently meet the needs of the following groups?

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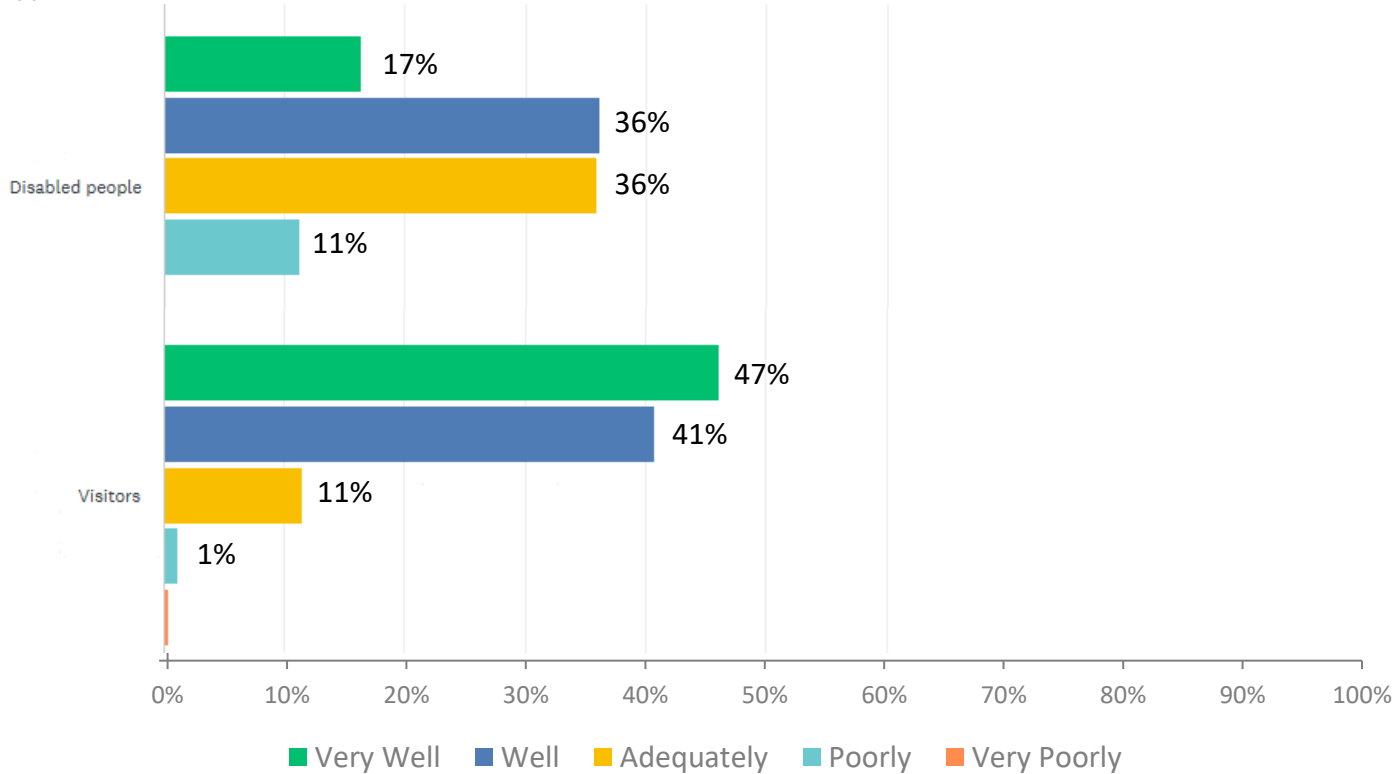
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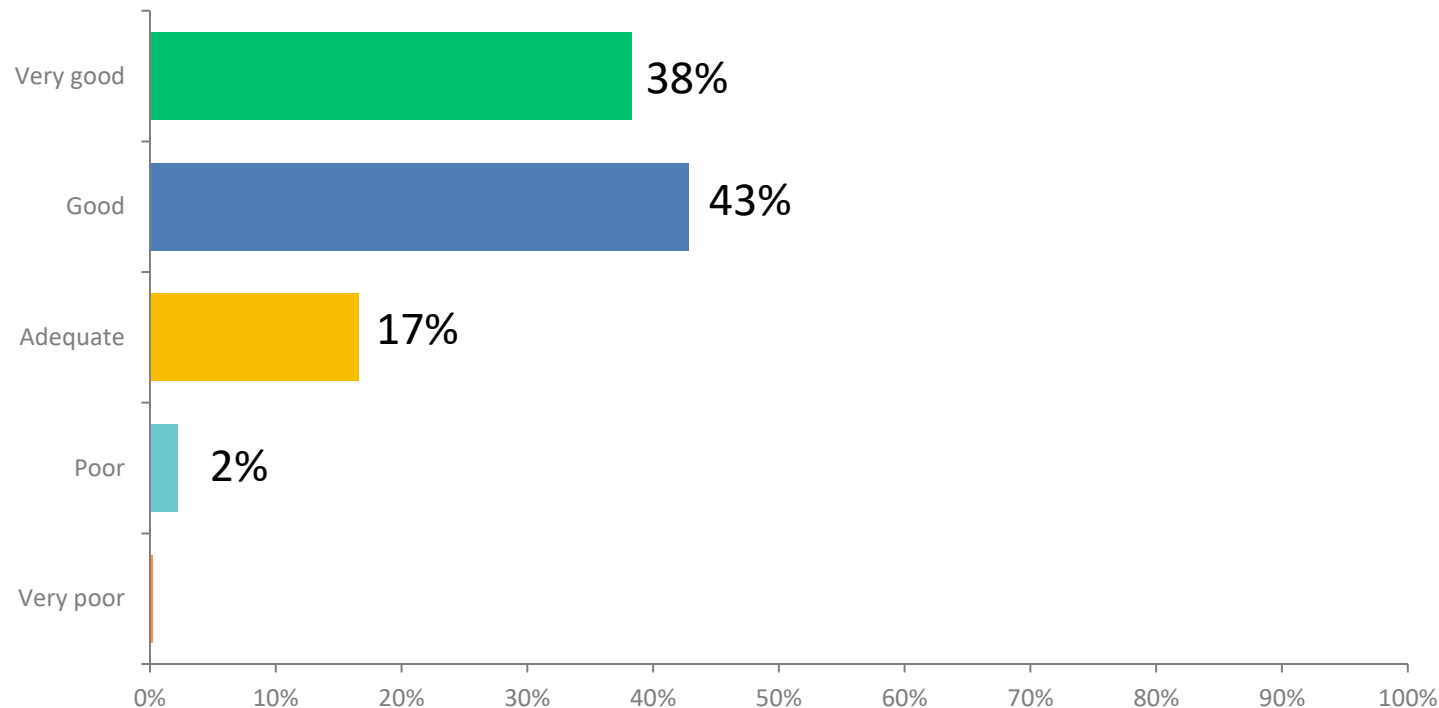
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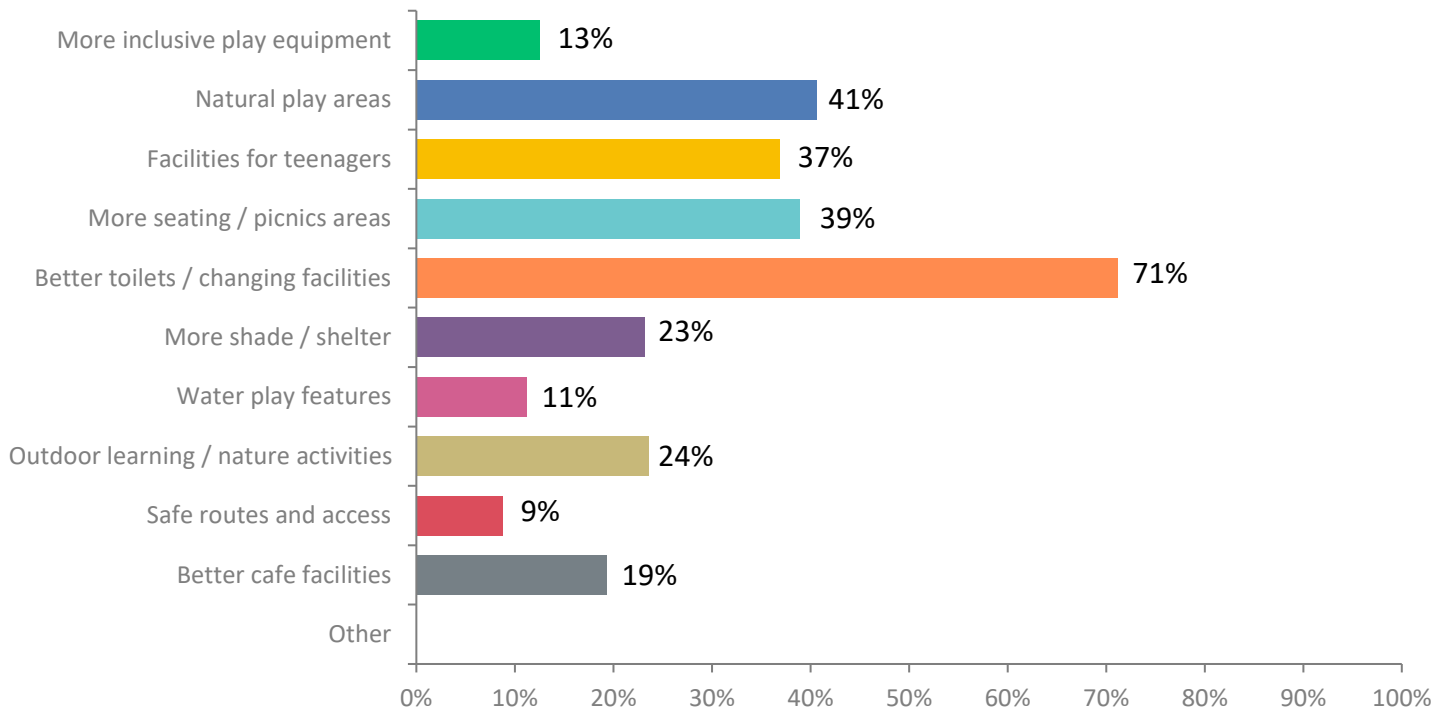
Q14: What do you think of the current play facilities?

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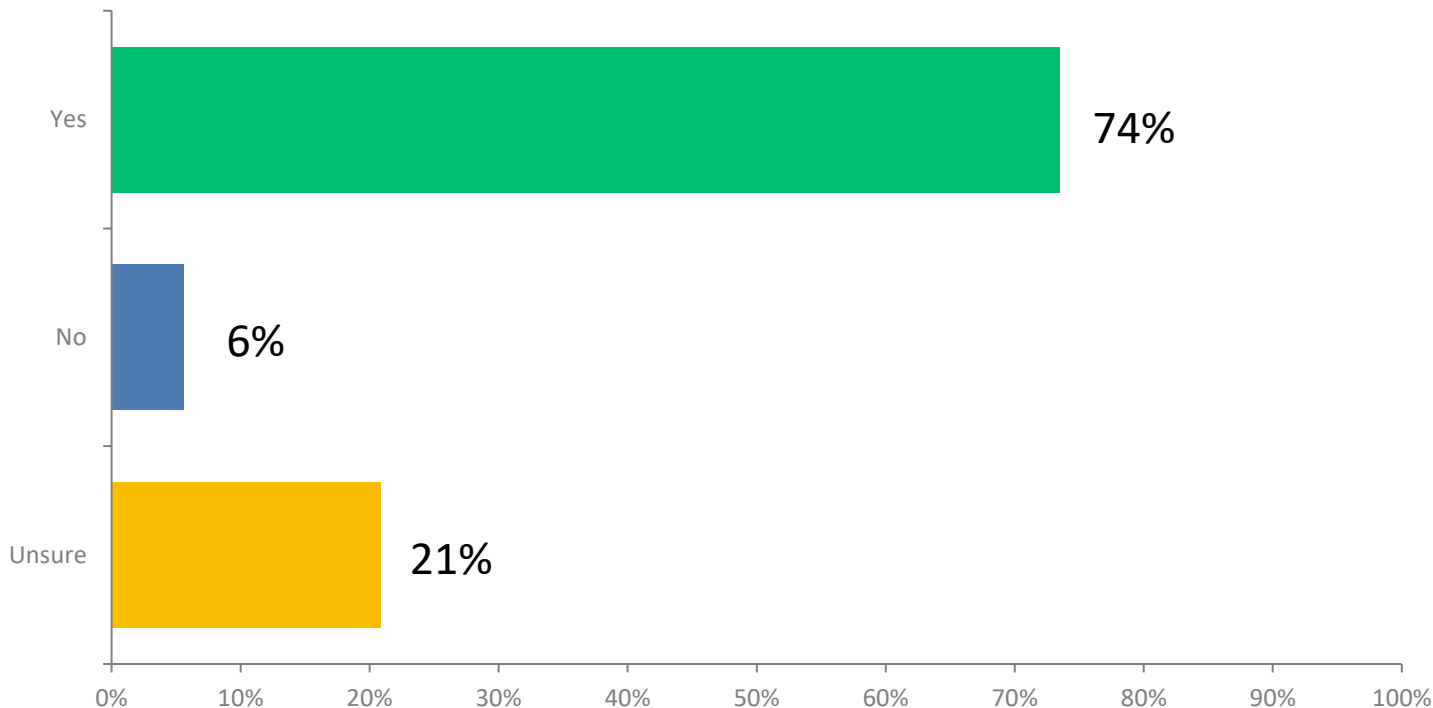
Q15: What improvements would you most like to see for play and family use? (Select up to 3)

Answered: 534 Skipped: 115



Q16: Are the play facilities currently in the right location?

Answered: 589 Skipped: 60



Q17: If no, where would be better?

Answered: 69 Skipped: 597

A summary of the Responses:

- 1) The majority of respondents who commented felt the current location is appropriate.** Many said the existing play area works well, is well established, and should remain where it is.
- 2) Flooding is the main reason people suggested relocation.** Those supporting a move almost always cited the regular flooding of the current site rather than any problem with its accessibility or design.
- 3) Higher ground was the preferred alternative.** Respondents frequently suggested relocating the play area closer to the swimming pool, St Chad's entrance, or other elevated parts of The Quarry to reduce flood disruption.
- 4) Many preferred improving the existing site rather than moving it.** Suggestions included raising equipment above flood level, providing more shade, increasing seating, and enhancing the current facilities.
- 5) Several respondents supported creating additional play spaces instead of relocating the existing one.** There was interest in smaller satellite play areas, natural play trails, or facilities at other entrances to spread demand across the park.

6) Accessibility was an important consideration. Some respondents suggested locations closer to car parks or more central within the park to make facilities easier for families, young children, and people with limited mobility.

7) Protecting the character of The Quarry was a recurring theme. Many respondents were concerned that moving the play area into more prominent parts of the park could harm its historic landscape and visual appearance.

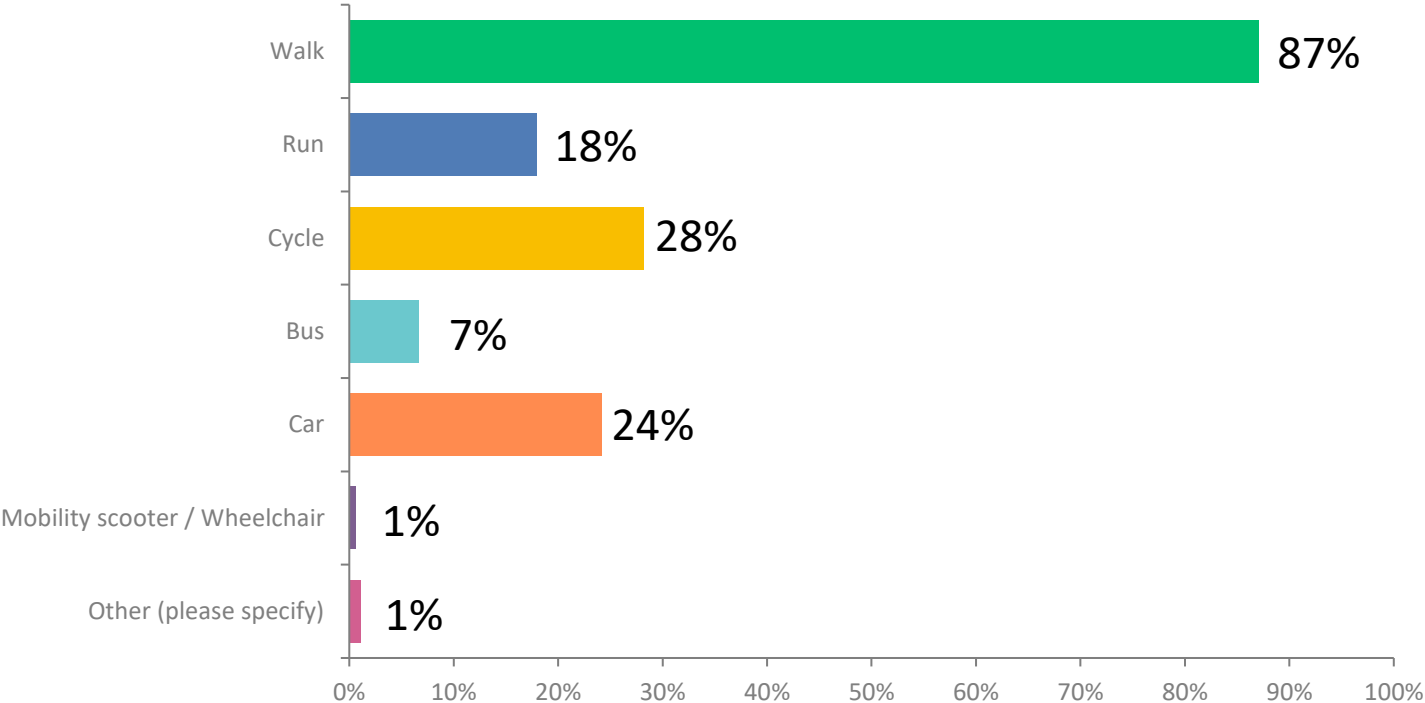
8) There was strong resistance to spending money on relocation. Several comments argued that the current facilities work well and that investment would be better directed towards maintenance or improving existing infrastructure.

9) A small number suggested alternative locations. These included areas near Kingsland Bridge, Greyfriars Bridge, St Julian's, the left-hand field near Quarry Place, and other quieter or underused areas of the park.

10) Respondents recognised the trade-off between flood resilience and preserving a successful facility. Overall, comments suggest people value the existing location but acknowledge that, if flooding becomes a greater issue in future, moving to higher ground could become necessary.

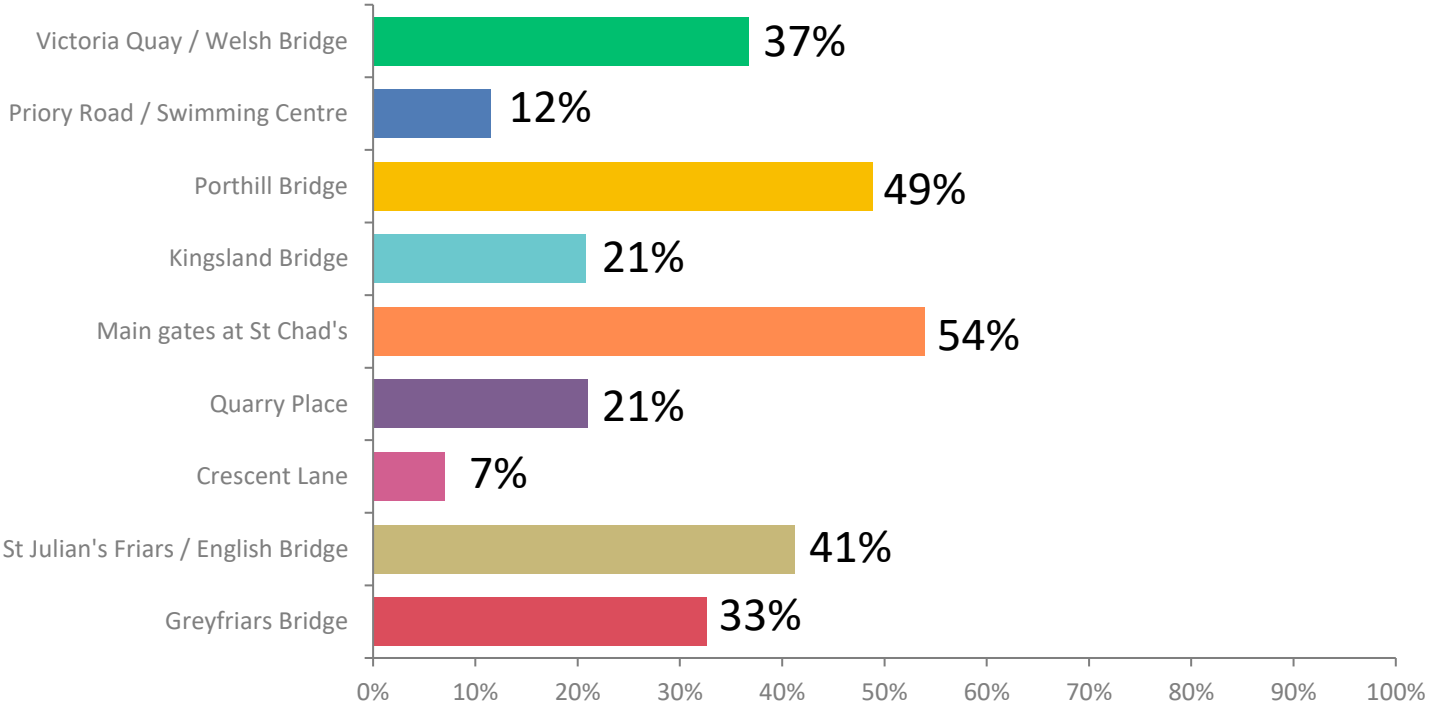
Q18: How do you usually travel to The Quarry? (Select all that apply)

Answered: 617 Skipped: 32



Q19: Which entrances or routes do you most commonly use? (Select all that apply)

Answered: 616 Skipped: 33



Q20: Are there any entrances, routes or areas that should be improved?

Answered: 184 Skipped: 486

Most of those who responded felt that the entrances did not need improving. Below is a summary of areas of concern:

- 1) Improve access at Victoria Quay**, with many respondents highlighting narrow paths, awkward gates and conflicts between pedestrians, cyclists, wheelchairs and pushchairs.
- 2) Upgrade Greyfriars Bridge and its approaches**, including widening bottlenecks, improving accessibility, better maintenance, clearer entrances and addressing cyclist/pedestrian conflicts.
- 3) Improve Kingsland Bridge access**, particularly resurfacing paths, reopening or repairing the steps to the riverside and improving the surrounding routes.
- 4) Address cyclist and pedestrian safety**, with requests for clearer separation of users, better signage, cyclist speed control and improved management at Porthill and Greyfriars bridges.
- 5) Improve accessibility for all users**, particularly by widening paths, repairing uneven surfaces caused by tree roots and making routes easier for wheelchairs, mobility scooters and pushchairs.

6) Enhance maintenance of paths and entrances, including resurfacing worn routes, cutting back vegetation, cleaning litter and improving the appearance of key gateways.

7) Improve lighting and personal safety, especially around Greyfriars, St Julian's Friars, Cannonbury and other routes used after dark.

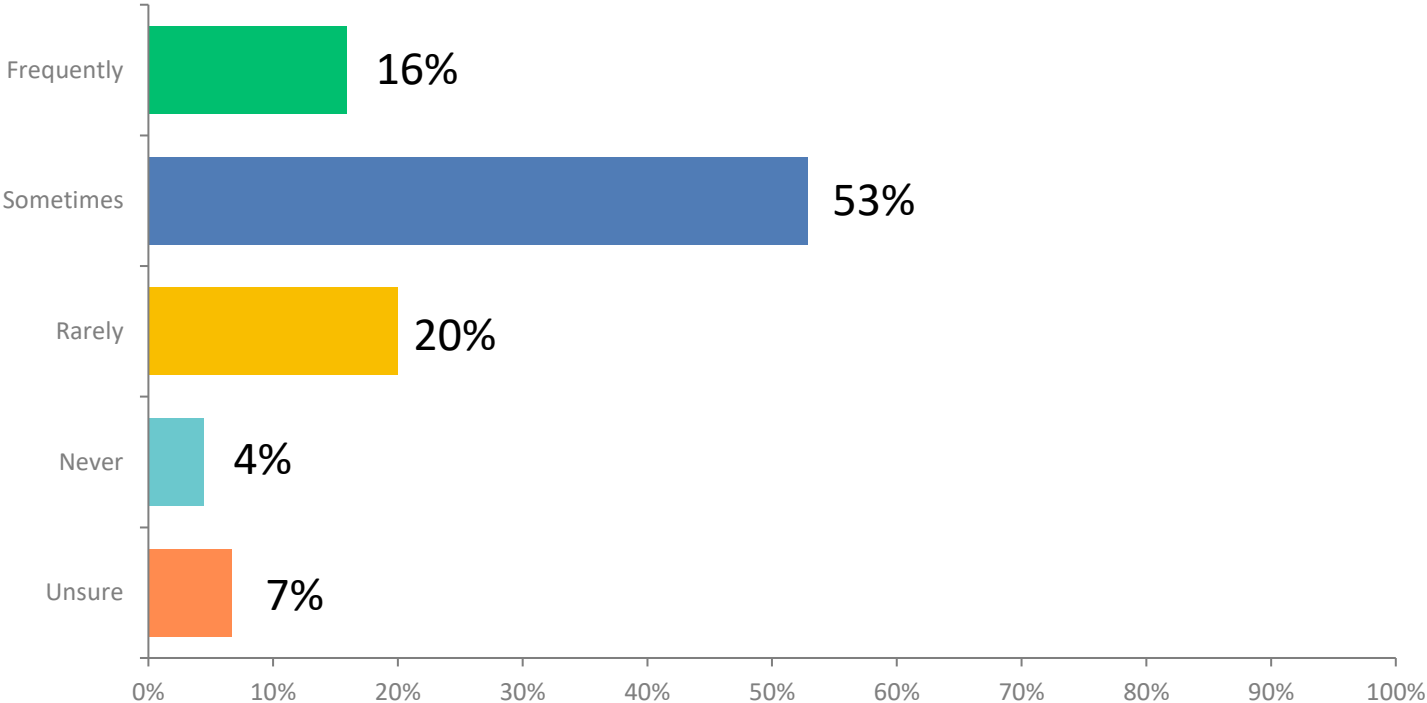
8) Provide better wayfinding and more welcoming entrances, with requests for clearer signage, information boards and stronger visual gateways into the Quarry.

9) Reduce vehicle conflicts, particularly around Victoria Quay and St Julian's car park, with suggestions for traffic calming, restricting parking and improving sightlines.

10) Maintain what already works, as many respondents said no major changes were needed, instead prioritising routine maintenance, flood resilience and keeping existing entrances in good condition.

Q21: Do conflicts occur between different activities in The Quarry?For example:Walking and cycling, Dog and wildlife Events and quiet recreation

Answered: 609 Skipped: 40



Q22: Please tell us more

Answered: 420 Skipped: 250

- 1) **Cyclists and pedestrians are the most commonly reported conflict**, with concerns about cyclists travelling too fast on shared paths and pedestrians being unaware of cycle routes.
- 2) **Dogs off leads or on long extendable leads create safety issues**, particularly for cyclists, runners, families and wildlife, with many respondents calling for better control in busy areas.
- 3) **Many respondents felt shared spaces can work well**, provided all users show consideration, follow etiquette and respect one another.
- 4) **Large events and festivals restrict access**, with concerns about fencing, prolonged closures, noise and the loss of peaceful green space during event set-up and breakdown.
- 5) **There is support for clearer separation of different users**, with suggestions for designated cycle routes, marked lanes or improved guidance to reduce conflict.

6) Electric bikes and e-scooters were highlighted as a growing concern, with respondents reporting excessive speed and unsafe behaviour around pedestrians.

7) Parkrun and organised sporting events can create temporary congestion, although most accepted these as short-term impacts and part of the park's role as a community space

8) Many respondents recognised the need for balance, acknowledging that events, cycling and dog walking are all important uses of the Quarry but should not dominate at the expense of others.

9) Children, older people and less mobile users were identified as feeling most vulnerable, particularly where fast-moving cyclists, scooters or uncontrolled dogs are present.

10) Several respondents felt conflicts are relatively uncommon, describing the Quarry as a successful shared space where problems usually arise from the behaviour of a small minority rather than the activities themselves.

Q23: Are there places where additional seating or resting areas are needed?

Answered: 333 Skipped: 337

- 1) **More seating along the riverside** was the most common request, with many people wanting places to stop and enjoy the views.
- 2) **Additional benches are needed along the main walking routes**, particularly on longer paths where people may need regular rest stops.
- 3) **The Greyfriars Bridge area** was frequently mentioned as a location where more seating would be beneficial.
- 4) **More seating is requested around the Dingle**, while ensuring it complements the character of the gardens.
- 5) **Families would like more seating near the splash park and children's play areas**, allowing parents and carers to supervise comfortably.

6) Respondents highlighted the need for shaded seating, particularly beneath trees, to provide relief during warmer weather.

7) Picnic benches and informal seating areas were suggested in several locations to encourage socialising and longer visits.

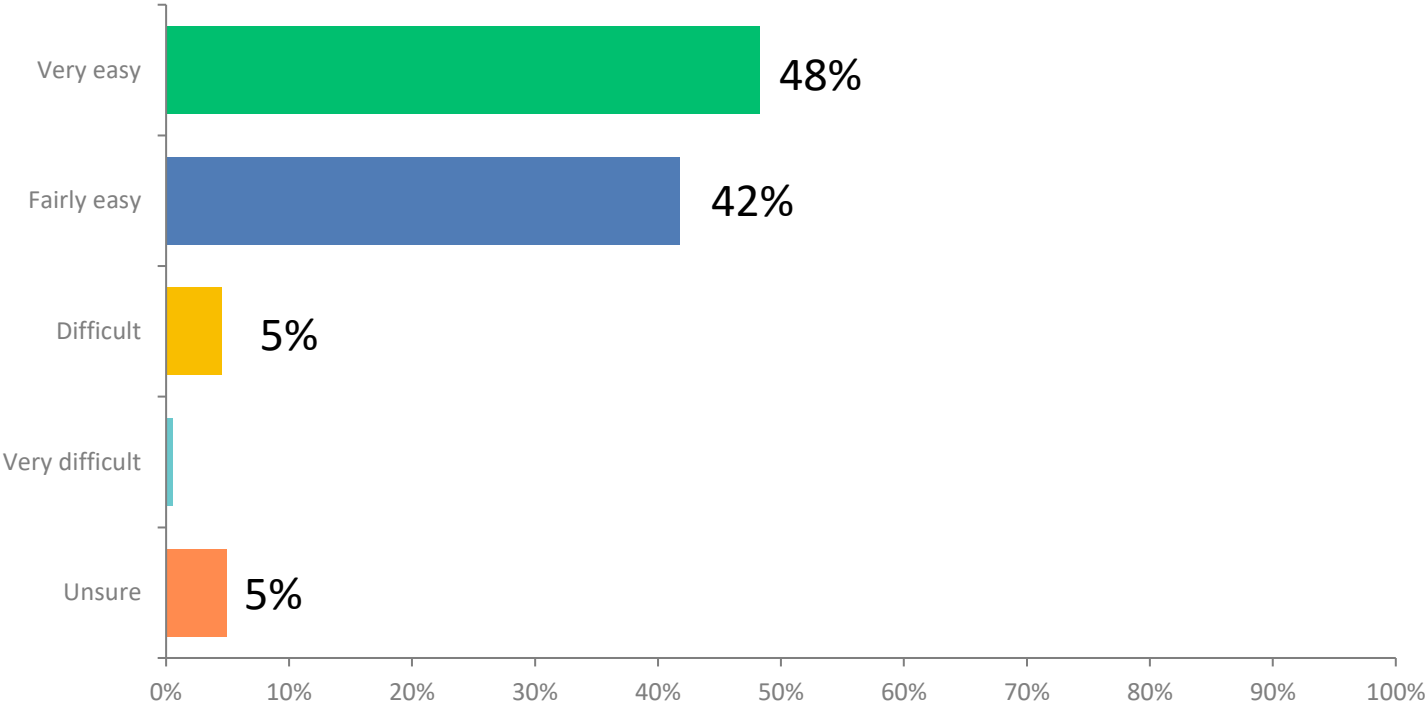
8) Accessibility was a key theme, with respondents noting that more frequent seating would help older people, those with disabilities and anyone who struggles to walk long distances.

9) Several people suggested spreading seating more evenly across the Quarry, rather than concentrating it around the Quarry Pool and existing popular areas.

10) A significant number of respondents felt no additional seating was needed, indicating they are satisfied with the current provision, although this was outweighed by requests for more benches in specific locations.

Q24: Is it easy to understand how The Quarry connects to surrounding parts of Shrewsbury

Answered: 615 Skipped: 34



Q25: What would improve this?

Answered: 188 Skipped: 482

The responses were dominated by comments about improving wayfinding, particularly for visitors. A summary in 10 points is:

- 1) Provide more directional signage** between the Quarry and key destinations such as the town centre, railway station, river crossings and major attractions.
- 2) Install more maps at entrances**, helping visitors understand where they are and how the Quarry connects with the wider town.
- 3) Include walking times and distances** on signs, making it easier for people to judge how far it is to key locations.
- 4) Improve wayfinding for visitors and tourists**, with many respondents saying locals know the routes but newcomers often struggle to navigate.
- 5) Improve signage at key gateways**, particularly around Greyfriars, Victoria Quay, the railway station and other main arrival points.

6) Use clearer destination-based signs, with respondents preferring signs showing places such as "Town Centre", "Castle" or "Station" rather than street names.

7) Add interpretation and information boards, combining maps with local history, walking routes and points of interest to encourage exploration.

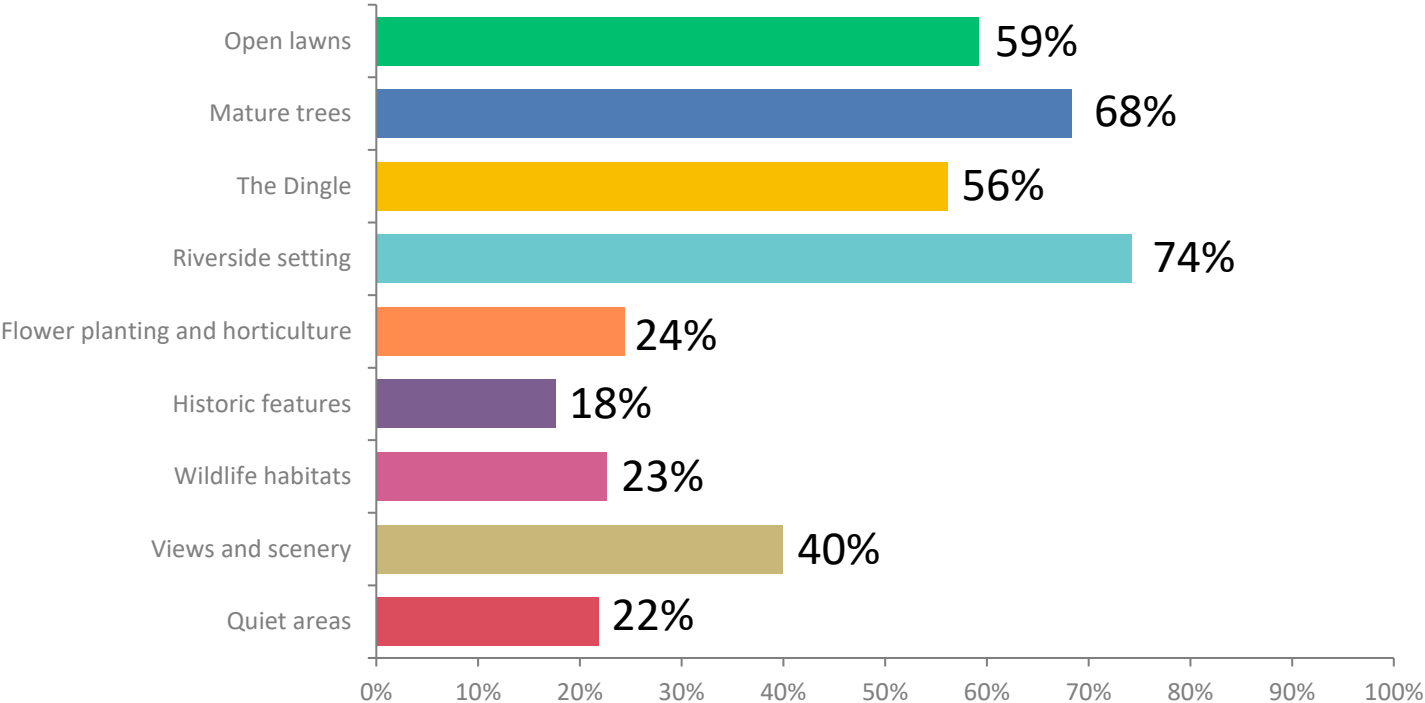
8) Promote circular walking routes, with suggested maps highlighting longer walks and links to other green spaces and heritage attractions.

9) Maintain the Quarry's historic character, with several respondents cautioning against excessive signage that could detract from the park's heritage and landscape.

10) Many respondents felt no improvements were needed, believing connections are already easy to understand, particularly for regular users, and that any changes should focus on helping visitors rather than local residents.

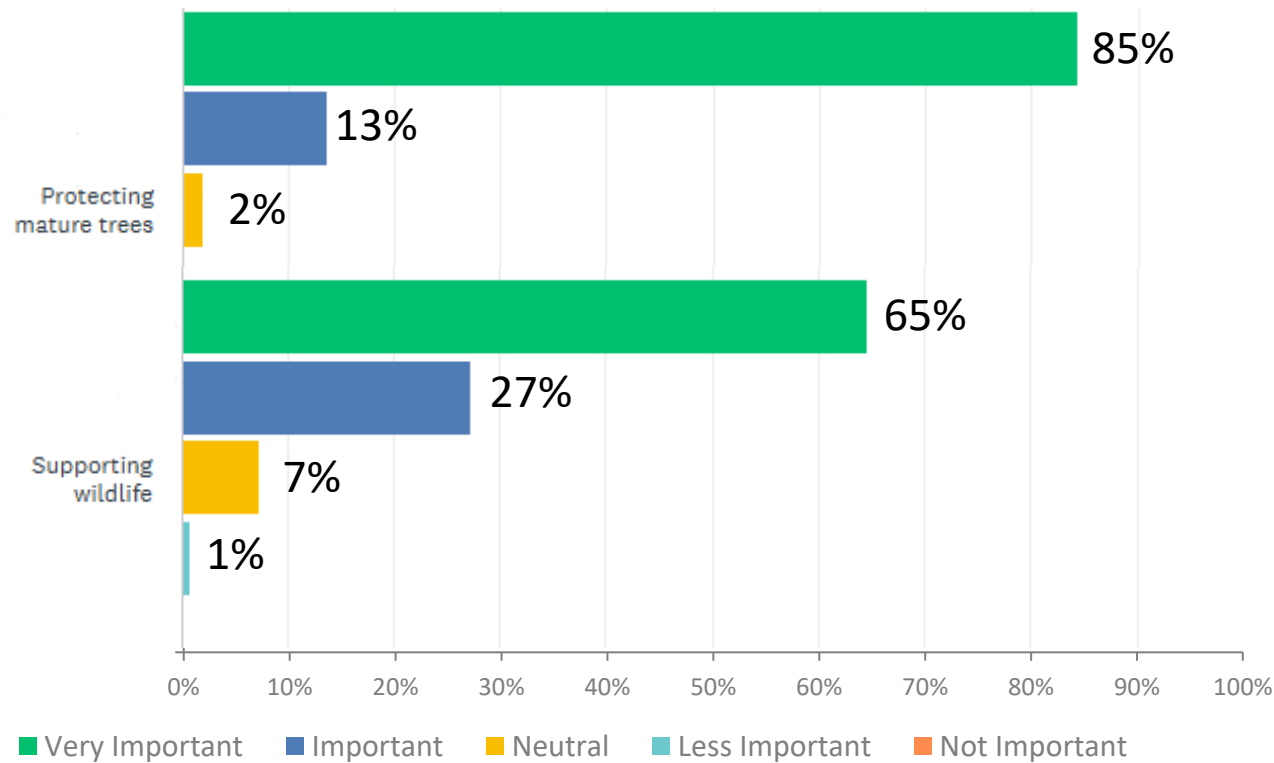
Q26: Which landscape features do you value most in The Quarry? (Select up to 3)

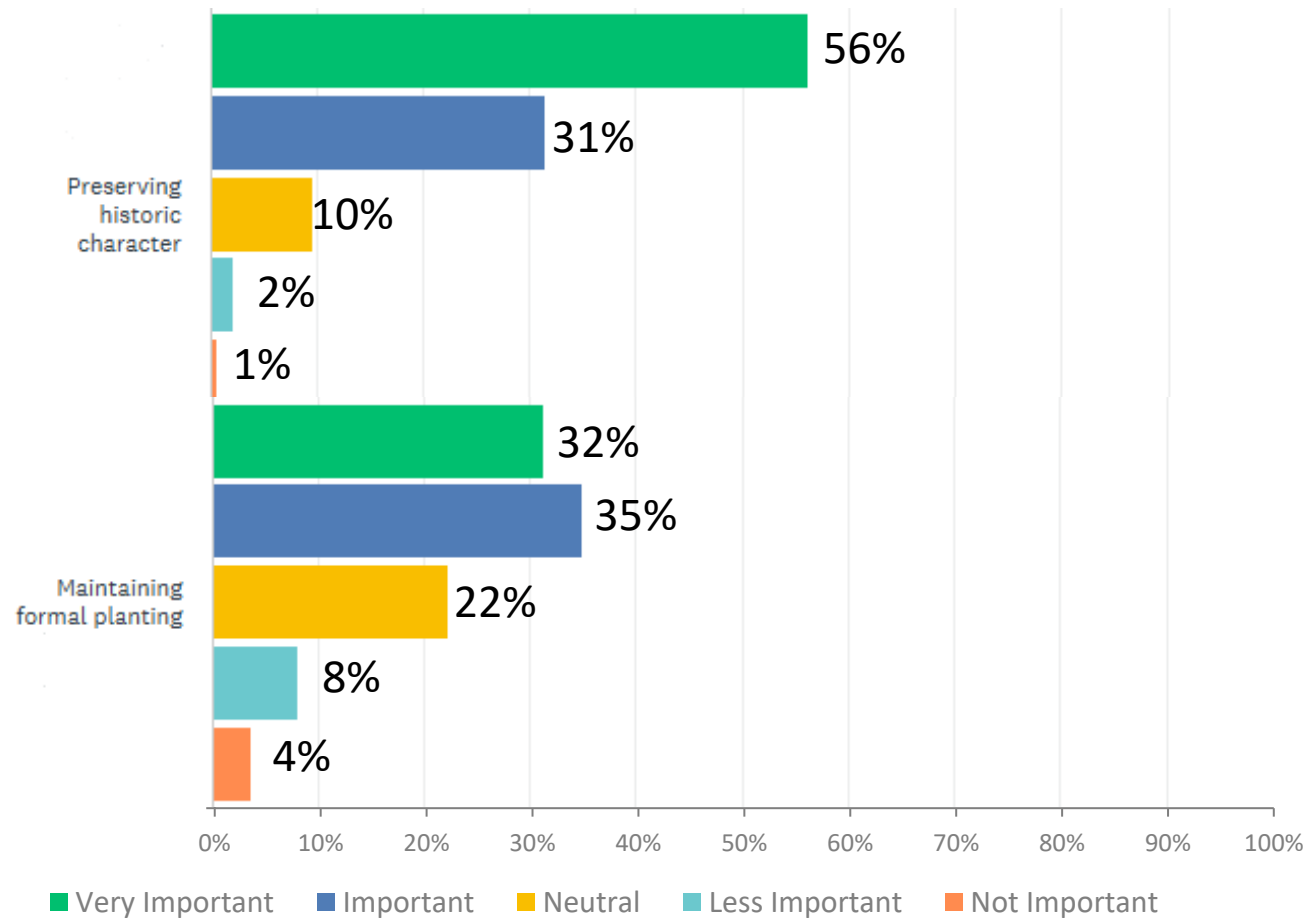
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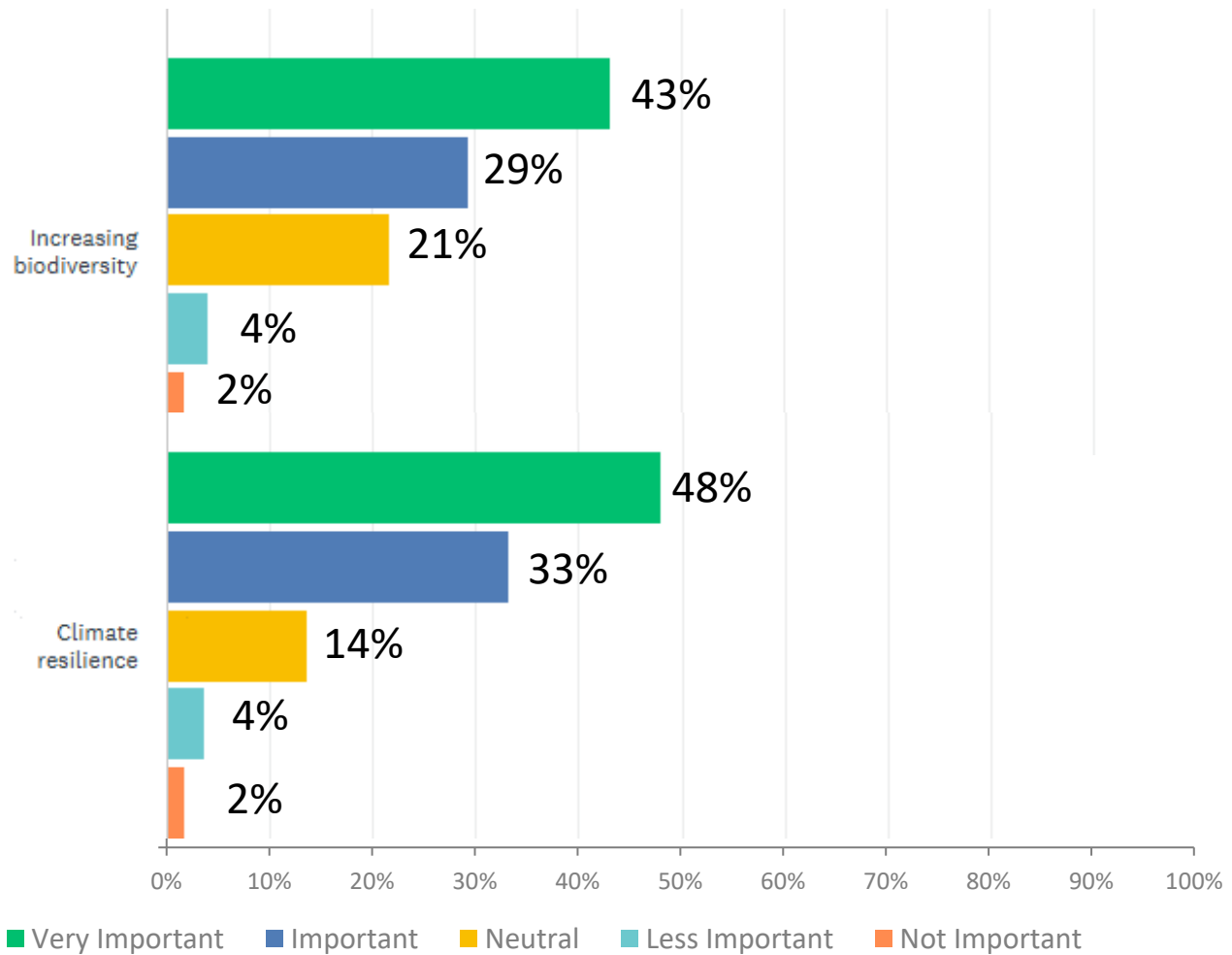


Q27: How important are the following to the future of The Quarry?

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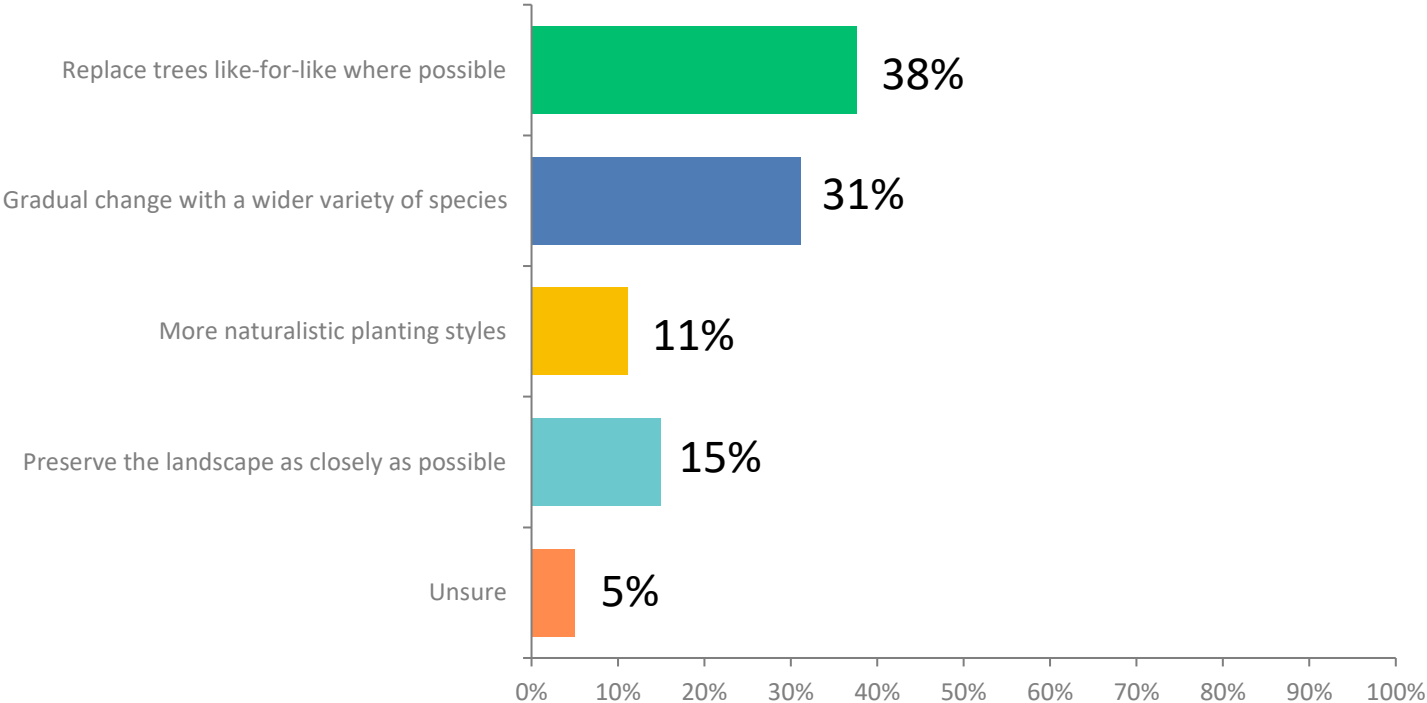






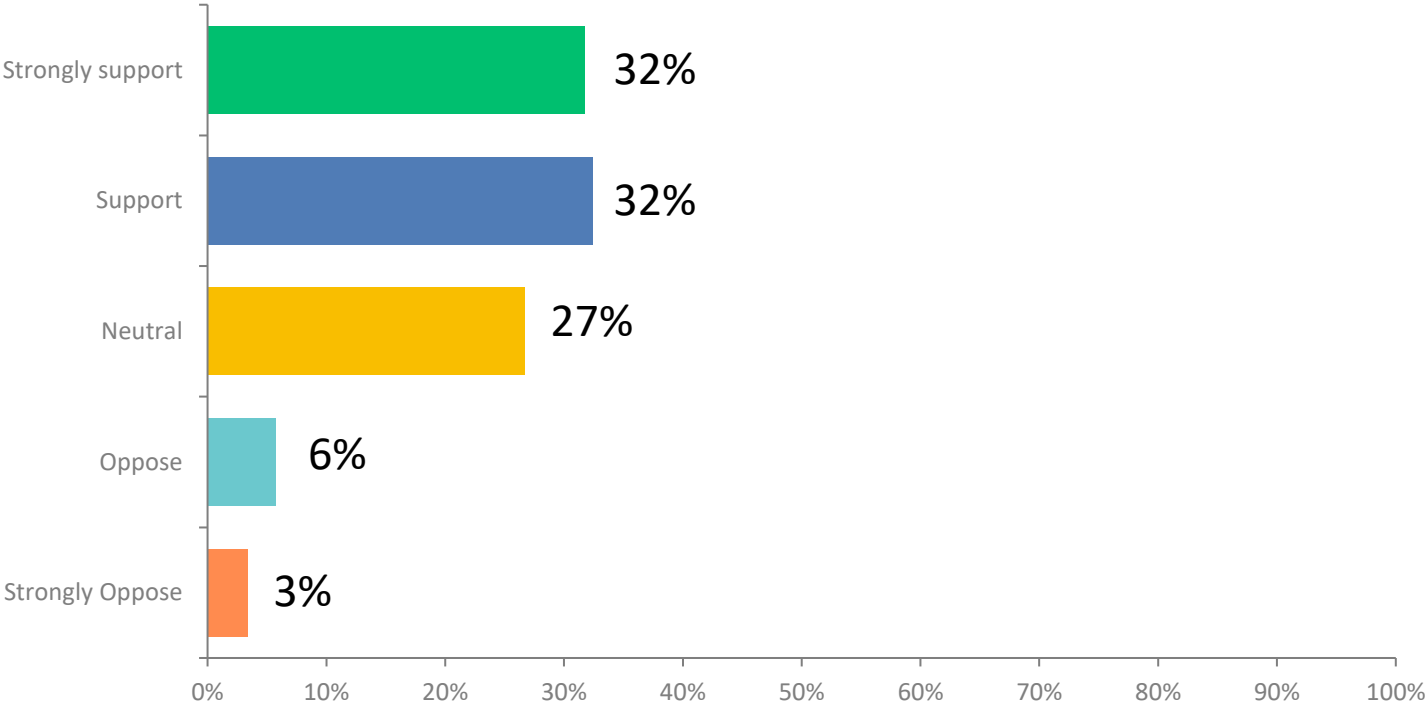
Q28: Some trees in The Quarry will need replacing over time due to age, disease, safety and climate pressures. What approach would you support most?

Answered: 610 Skipped: 39



Q29: Would you support more areas being managed primarily for wildlife and biodiversity?

Answered: 611 Skipped: 38



Q30: Please tell us why?

Answered: 354 Skipped: 316

The responses showed strong overall support for increasing areas managed for wildlife and biodiversity, while also recognising the Quarry's role as a formal park and community space. The key themes can be summarised as:

- 1) Protecting and enhancing biodiversity received widespread support**, with many respondents believing the Quarry should do more to support wildlife, insects, birds and pollinators.
- 2) Respondents recognised the importance of tackling climate change**, seeing wildlife-friendly management as part of improving environmental resilience and sustainability.
- 3) Many supported creating a balance**, retaining well-maintained formal lawns while introducing more natural habitats in suitable locations.
- 4) Wildflower meadows and pollinator-friendly planting were frequently suggested**, with respondents wanting to increase habitat for bees, butterflies and other beneficial insects.
- 5) Several people felt wildlife areas should be carefully located**, using quieter or less heavily used parts of the Quarry to avoid affecting recreation and events.

6) Many respondents emphasised that the Quarry should remain a park for people, cautioning against reducing open spaces used for relaxation, sport and community activities.

7) Some expressed concern that 'wildlife management' could become an excuse for reduced maintenance, with fears that unmanaged areas would appear untidy rather than intentionally natural.

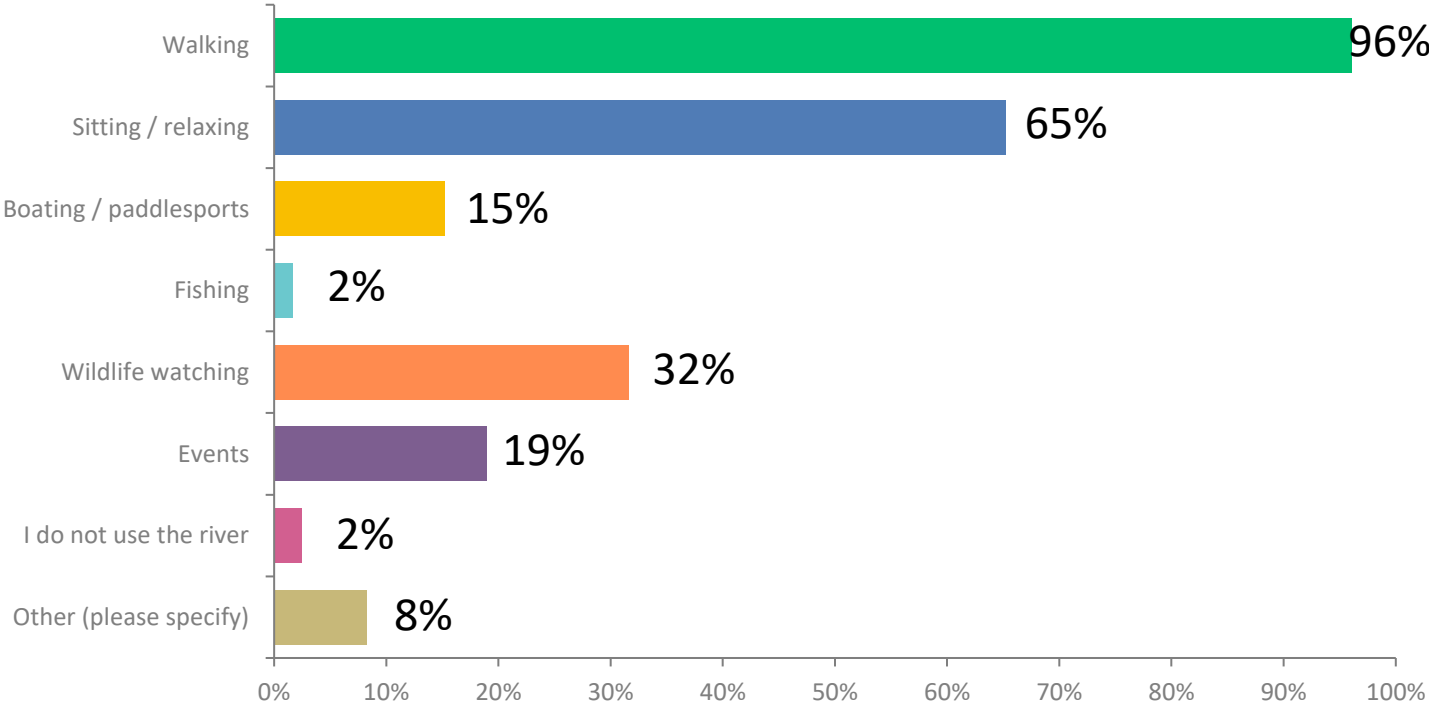
8) Respondents highlighted the educational value of biodiversity, suggesting wildlife areas could help people, particularly children, learn more about nature and conservation.

9) Several people noted that the Quarry already supports wildlife, recommending enhancing existing habitats rather than making large-scale changes to the park's character.

10) A minority opposed additional wildlife areas, believing there are other green spaces around Shrewsbury better suited to biodiversity, while the Quarry should retain its historic, formal landscape and open character.

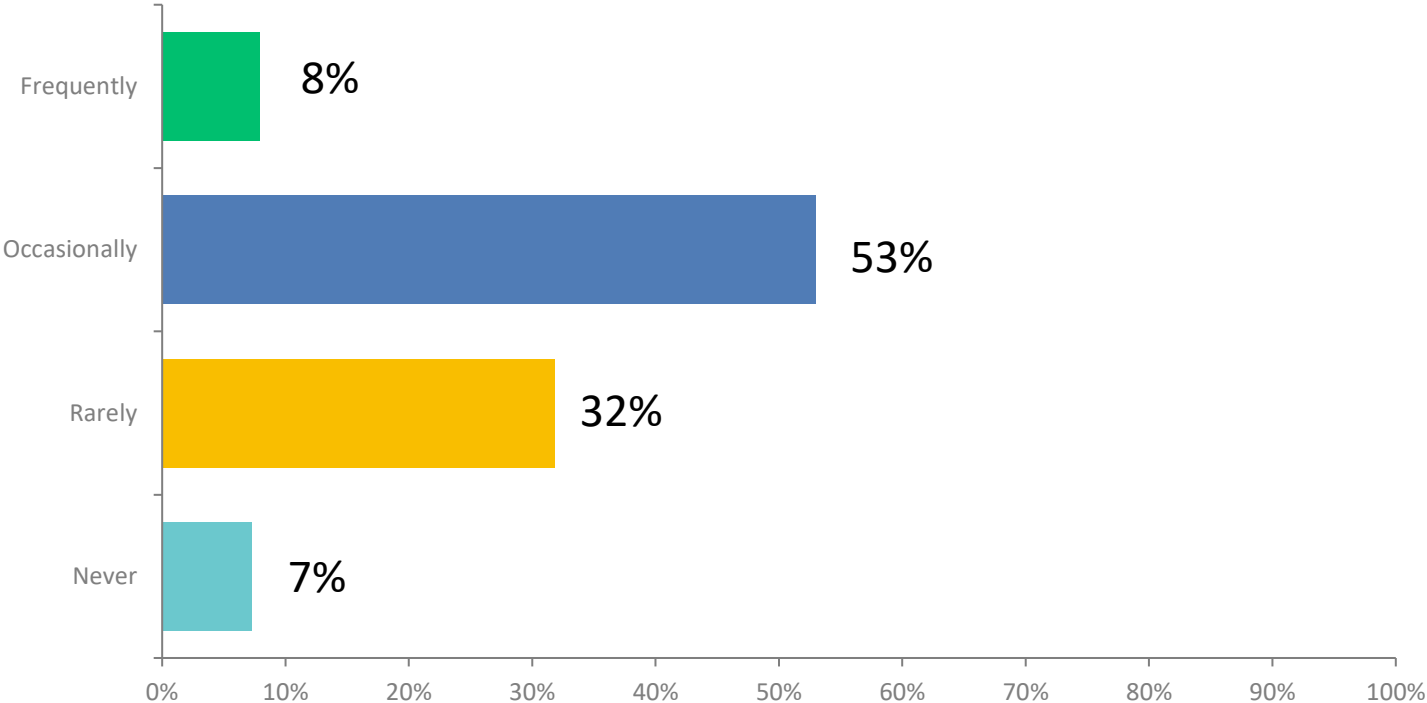
Q31: How do you use the river and riverside areas?

Answered: 607 Skipped: 42



Q32: Have flooding issues affected your use of The Quarry?

Answered: 606 Skipped: 43



Q33: If yes, how?

Answered: 352 Skipped: 318

The responses indicate that flooding primarily affects access and use of the Quarry rather than causing widespread concern about the flooding itself. The main themes can be summarised as:

- 1) Flooding regularly restricts access to riverside paths**, making some walking routes temporarily unusable.
- 2) Porthill Bridge was the most frequently mentioned issue**, with many respondents saying they could not cross the bridge during flood events.
- 3) Several respondents reported being unable to complete their usual walking or running routes** when parts of the park were flooded.
- 4) Flooding affects access through the Quarry**, particularly for people using it as a cross-town route.
- 5) Cycling routes can be disrupted**, with some respondents noting that flooding removes safer traffic-free connections across the town.

6) Organised activities such as Parkrun and events have occasionally been cancelled due to flooding.

7) Some respondents said they simply avoid the Quarry when it is flooded and return once water levels recede.

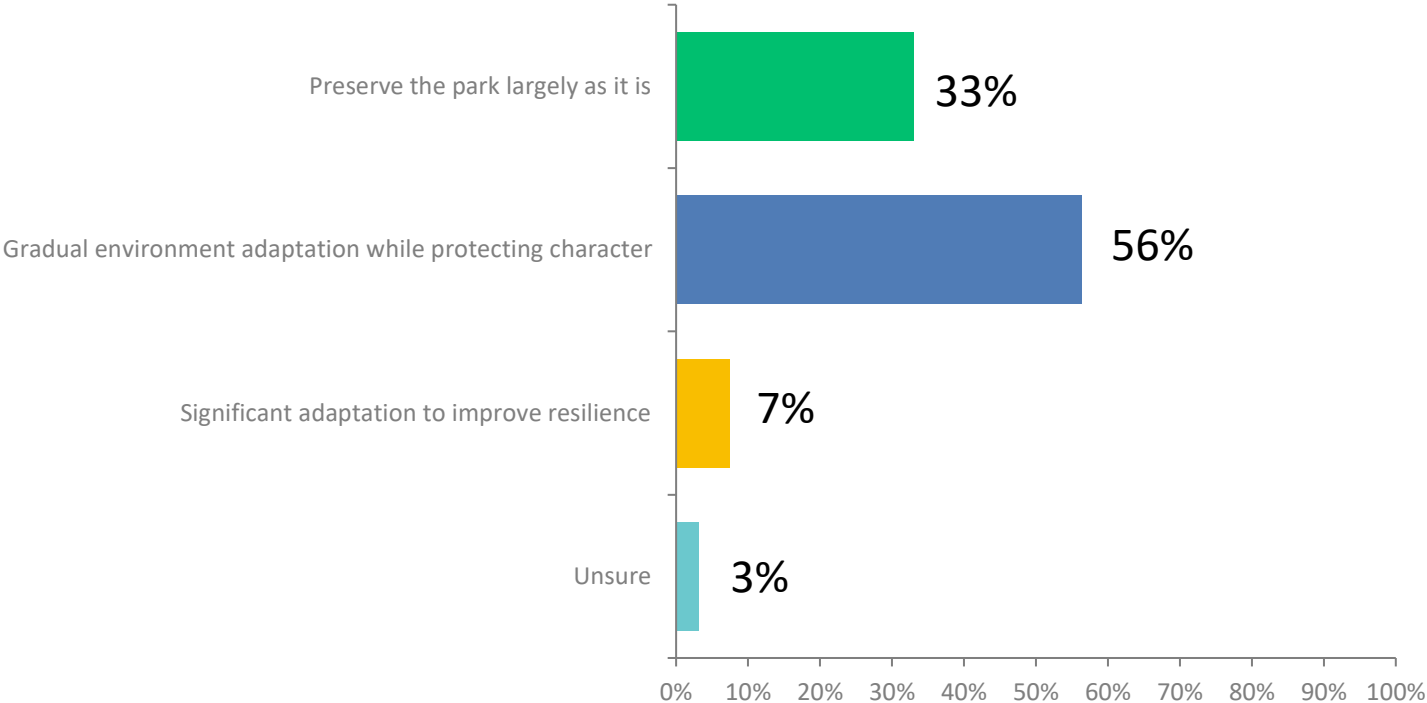
8) A number of people viewed flooding as a temporary inconvenience rather than a major problem, accepting that riverside areas will naturally flood.

9) Several respondents described the floodwater as an interesting or impressive spectacle, provided it could be viewed safely.

10) There was support for improving flood management upstream, while recognising that occasional flooding of riverside paths is likely to remain part of the Quarry's character.

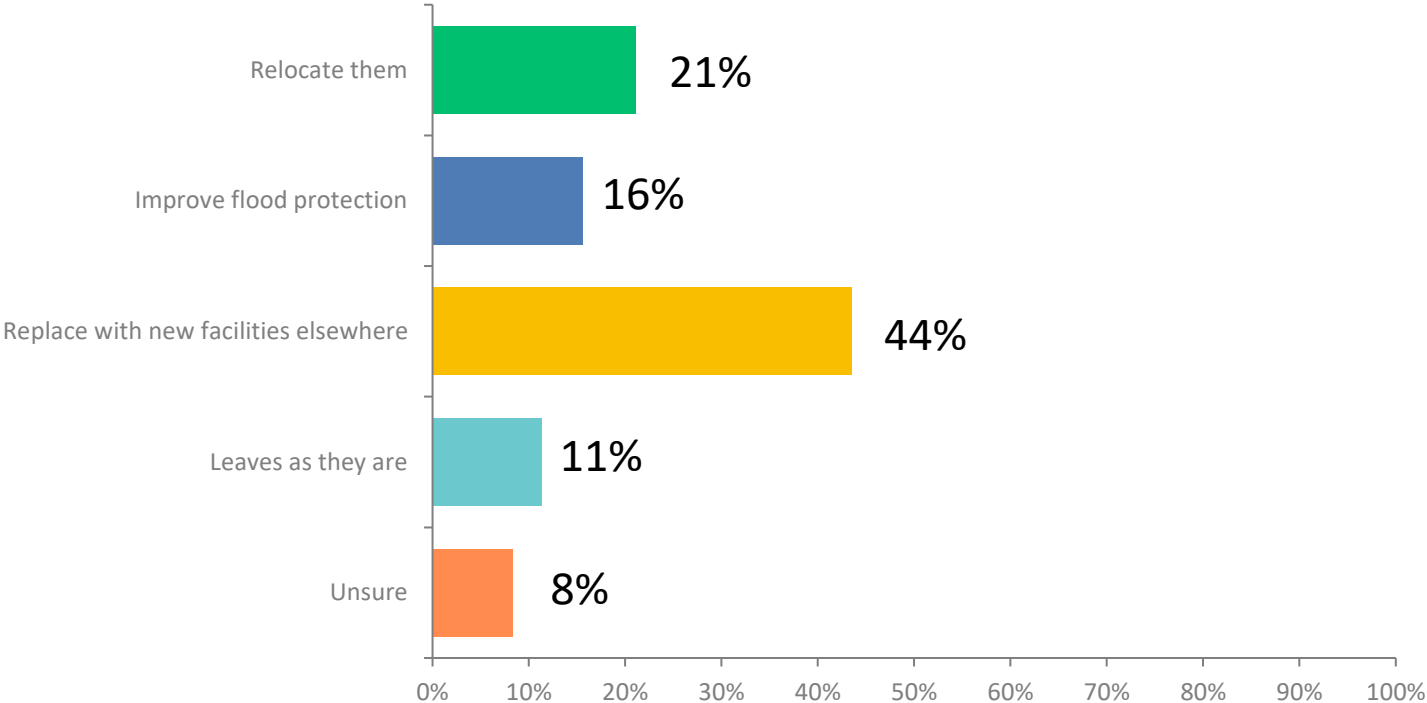
Q34: The Quarry will need to adapt to increasing flood and climate pressures over time. Which approach would you most support?

Answered: 601 Skipped: 48



Q35: The Lower Quarry toilets are sometimes affected by flooding. What should happen in future?

Answered: 601 Skipped: 48



Q36: Are there any other issues or opportunities relation to the river and flooding?

Answered: 186 Skipped: 484

1) Accept flooding as a natural process

The most common view was that flooding is a natural part of the River Severn and that The Quarry's role as a floodplain should be protected rather than trying to prevent flooding entirely.

2) Improve flood resilience rather than prevent flooding

Many respondents supported adapting facilities (paths, toilets, café, play areas) to cope with flooding through resilient design, raised infrastructure, or quicker recovery after flood events.

3) Calls for river dredging

A significant number of respondents suggested dredging the River Severn—particularly around the English Bridge and Welsh Bridge—to improve water flow and reduce flooding, although this was one of several differing opinions.

4) Water quality is a major concern

Many responses highlighted pollution, sewage discharges, and declining river health, with calls for cleaner water, improved monitoring, and greater accountability for polluters.

5) Maintain and improve riverbank infrastructure

Respondents frequently mentioned repairing eroding riverbanks, replacing deteriorating timber revetments, maintaining flood gates, and improving post-flood clean-up.

6) Improve access and safety around the river

Suggestions included better warning signs, flood notifications, information on gate closures, additional lifebuoys, safer river access points, and escape steps for people entering the water.

7) Support natural flood management

Many respondents favoured upstream natural flood management measures such as tree planting, wetland creation, beavers, floodplain restoration, and slowing water flow rather than relying solely on engineered solutions.

8) Retain facilities close to key attractions

While acknowledging flood risk, many respondents wanted toilets to remain close to the children's play area and supported designing facilities to withstand flooding rather than relocating them far away.

9) Increase education and public awareness

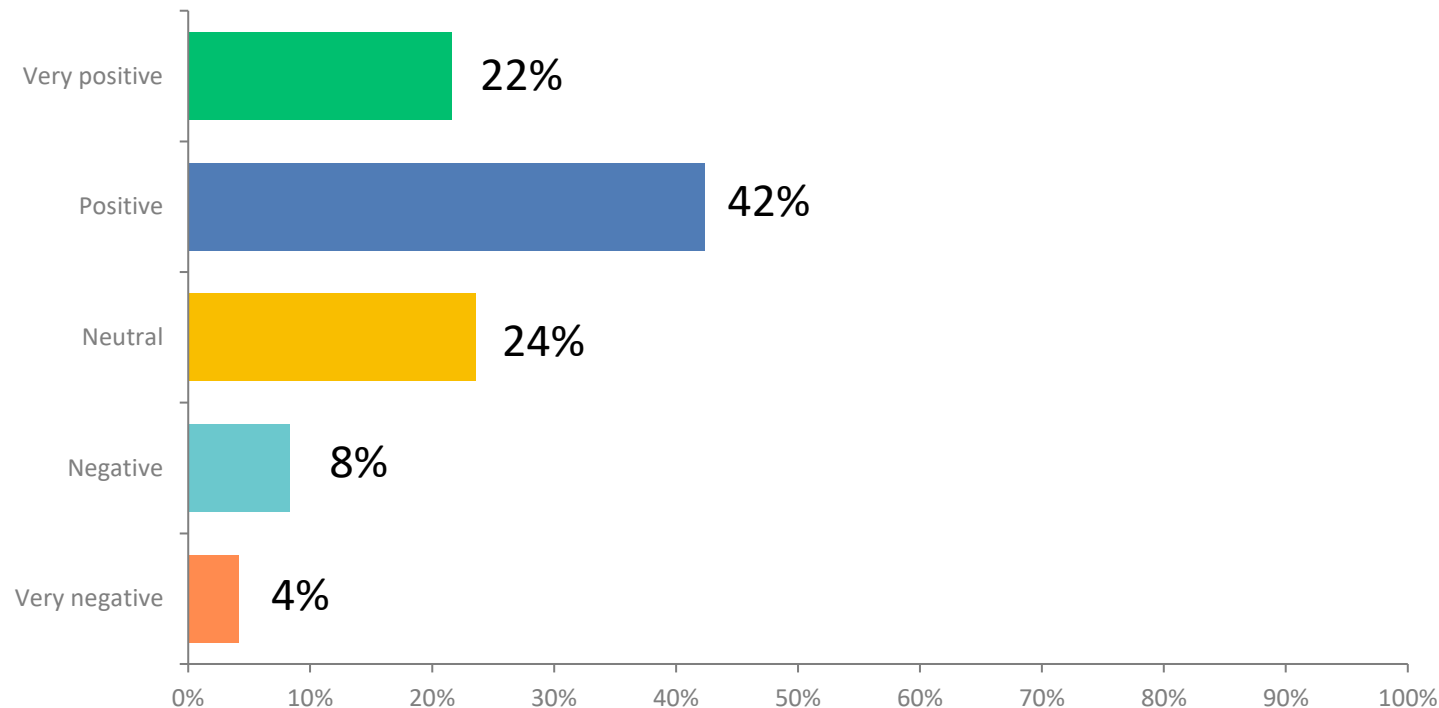
Respondents suggested using interpretation boards, flood markers, and educational displays to explain flooding, climate change, river ecology, and how The Quarry functions as a floodplain.

10) Enhance recreational opportunities while protecting nature

Many saw opportunities to improve access to the river for swimming, paddling, seating, cafés, wildlife habitats, and riverside enjoyment, provided these enhancements remain sensitive to the natural character of The Quarry.

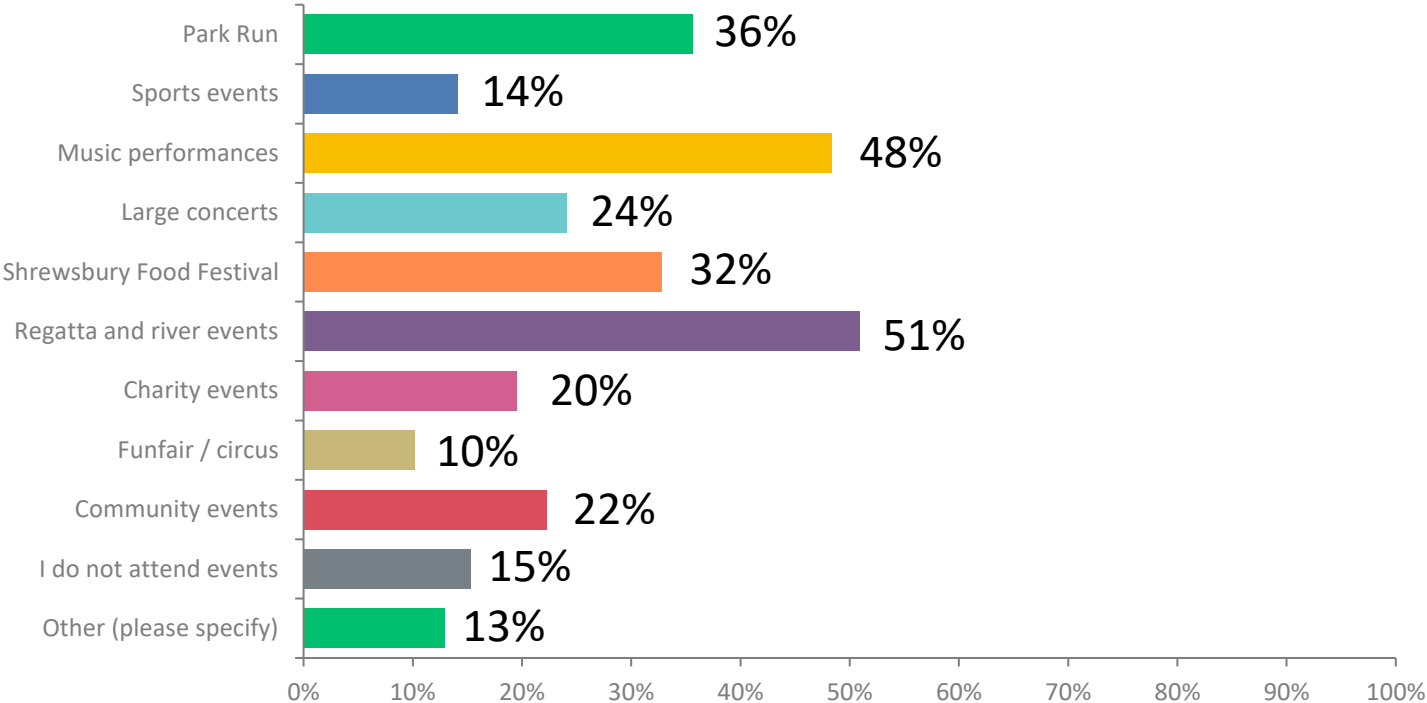
Q37: How do you feel about events in The Quarry overall?

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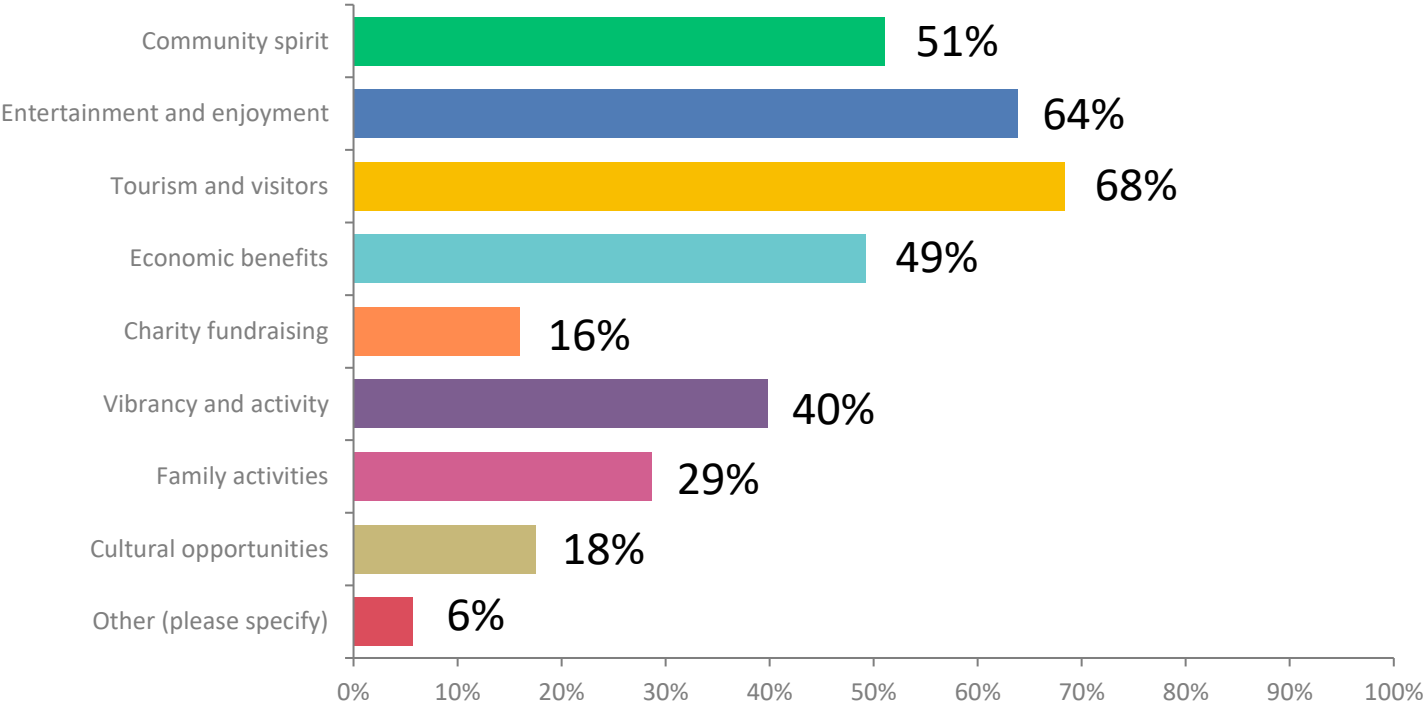
Q38: Which events or activities do you currently enjoy in The Quarry?

Answered: 589 Skipped: 60



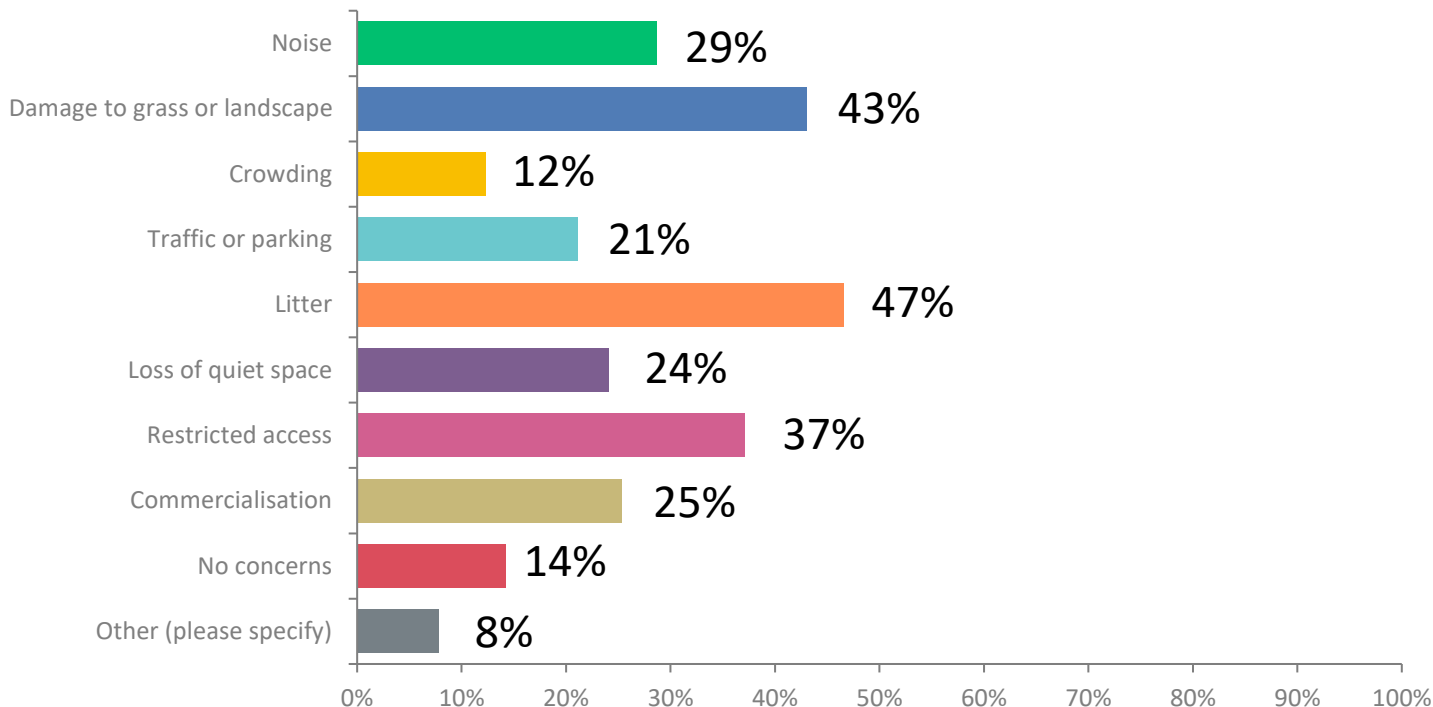
Q39: What benefits do events bring to The Quarry? (Select up to 3)

Answered: 575 Skipped: 74



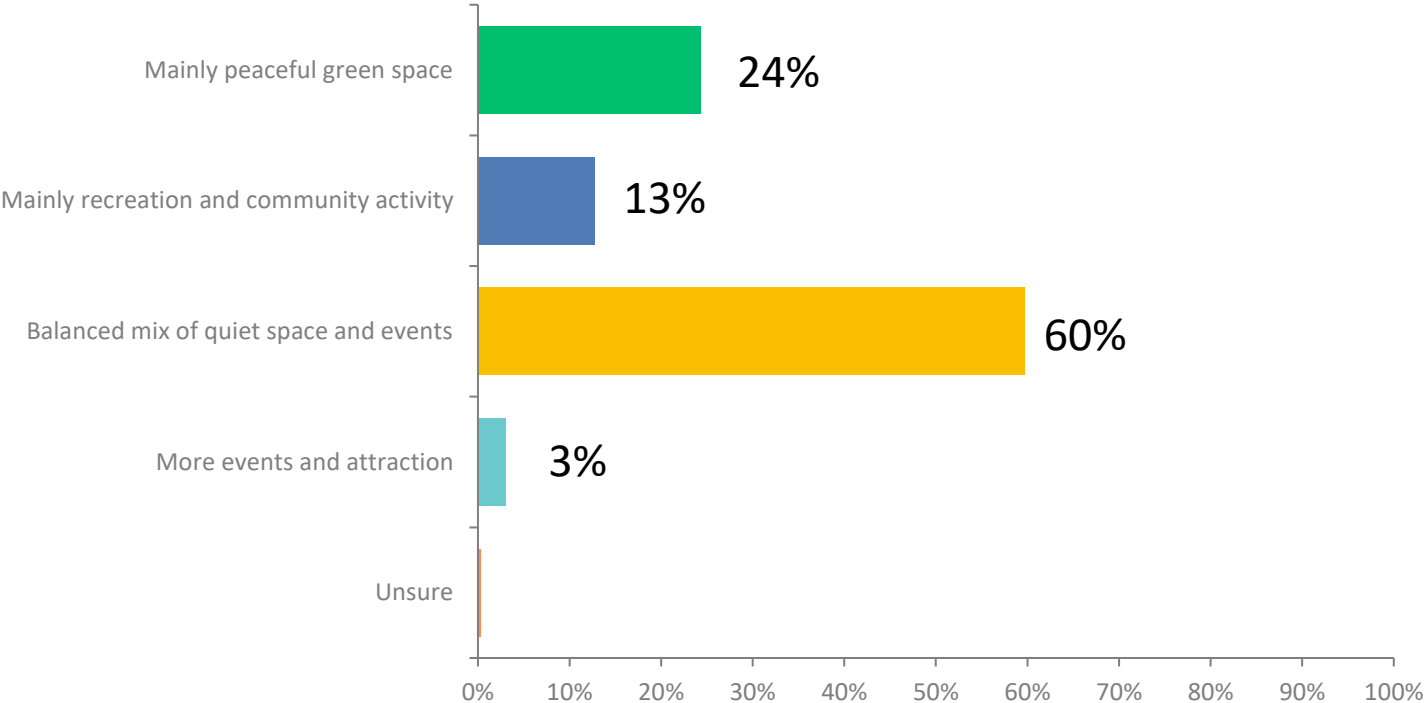
Q40: What concerns, if any, do you have about events? (Select up to 3)

Answered: 593 Skipped: 56



Q41: What balance should The Quarry aim for in future?

Answered: 598 Skipped: 51



Q42: What food, drink or visitor facilities would you like to see improved, if any?

Answered: 332 Skipped: 338

- 1. Improve public toilets** By far the strongest recurring theme. Respondents want cleaner, better maintained toilets, with many requesting additional facilities at the Greyfriars Bridge end of the Quarry.
- 2. Improve café & refreshment offer** - Many respondents support a modest improvement to the café offer, including more healthy food, light lunches and family-friendly refreshments, rather than just coffee and ice cream.
- 3. Avoid over-commercialisation** - A significant number felt the Quarry should remain a peaceful park. They opposed excessive cafés, kiosks or commercial development, favouring a "less is more" approach.
- 4. Increase seating & shaded areas** - Requests for more benches, picnic seating and shaded resting areas, particularly close to play areas and walking routes.
- 5. Install drinking water found** - Frequent requests for bottle refill points and accessible drinking fountains to support sustainability and visitors during warm weather.

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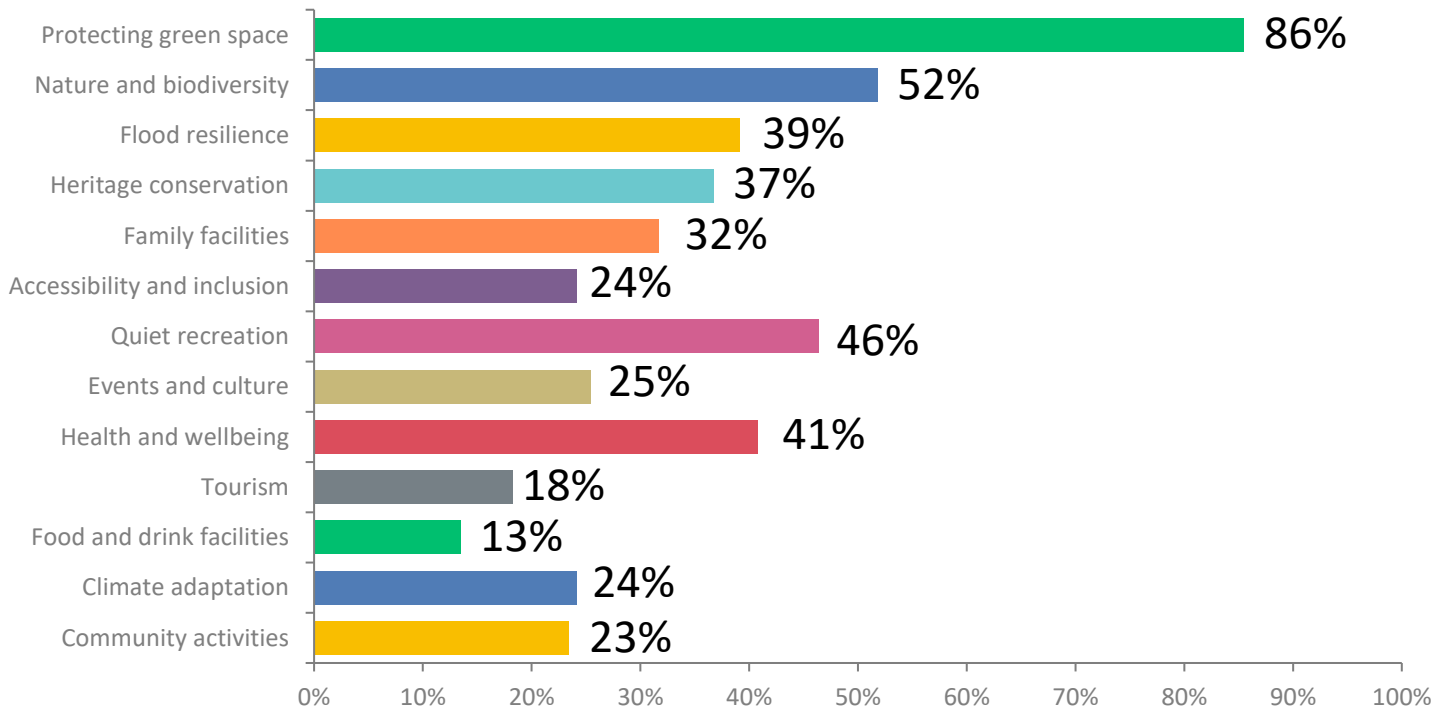
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A small but interesting theme proposed community gardens, vegetable growing areas and interpretation to encourage learning about nature and sustainability.

6. **Improve litter and recycling facilities** - Suggestions included more bins, recycling facilities and better provision for dog waste to help keep the park clean.
7. **Provide seasonal food and events** - Several respondents suggested occasional pop-up food vendors, Christmas markets or seasonal events, provided they do not detract from the character of the park.
8. **Enhance Family Facilities** - Comments included improving picnic areas, water play, shelter and facilities that make longer family visits easier.
9. **Support Education and Community growing** - A small but interesting theme proposed community gardens, vegetable growing areas and interpretation to encourage learning about nature and sustainability.
10. **Maintain the Quarry as a high quality green space** - Many comments emphasised that any improvements should be sympathetic, protecting the park's natural beauty and tranquillity rather than urbanising it.

Q43: Looking ahead 20 years, what should be the highest priorities for The Quarry? (Select up to 5)

Answered: 593 Skipped: 56



Q44: If you could change one big thing in The Quarry, what would it be?

Answered: 461 Skipped: 209

1. Improve Public Toilets
2. Review Scale & Impact of Events
3. Improve Accessibility and pathways
4. Refresh the planting & horticultural approach
5. Improve access to the River Severn
6. Enhance Children's Play & Family Facilities
7. Improve Café & Visitor Facilities
8. Maintain cleanliness & improve litter management
9. Provide more seating and places to rest
10. Protect Quarry's peaceful character

Q45: If you could change one small thing in The Quarry, what would it be?

Answered: 402 Skipped: 268

1. Improve Public Toilets
2. Install Drinking Fountains
3. Provide more benches and seating
4. Increase shade around the Splash Park & Play Area
5. Improve Litter & Dog Waste Facilities
6. Repair & Maintain paths
7. Enhance Children's Play Equipment
8. Improve Signage & Visitor Information
9. Create More Informal Picnic Spaces
10. Manage Cycling, E-Bikes & Dogs more effectively

Q46: What is your biggest hope for The Quarry's future?

Answered: 483 Skipped: 187

The consultation demonstrates that residents' aspirations are focused on **stewardship rather than transformation**. The overarching hopes can be summarised as:

- **Protect** the Quarry's historic landscape and unique character.
- **Preserve** it as a beautiful, accessible green space for future generations.
- **Enhance** biodiversity and environmental resilience.
- **Invest** in maintenance and visitor facilities.
- **Balance** community events with everyday enjoyment.
- **Keep the Quarry at the heart of Shrewsbury's identity** as a place for recreation, wellbeing, culture and nature.

These findings suggest that the Conservation Management Plan should prioritise **conservation-led enhancement**, ensuring any future improvements strengthen rather than fundamentally alter the qualities that make the Quarry so highly valued.

Q47: What is your biggest concern about The Quarry's future?

Answered: 465 Skipped: 205

The consultation suggests that residents' concerns can be distilled into five overarching risks:

- **Protect the Quarry from excessive commercialisation and overdevelopment.**
- **Maintain its role as a peaceful, accessible public park first and foremost.**
- **Continue investing in maintenance and horticultural excellence despite financial pressures.**
- **Prepare the park for climate change while protecting its historic landscape and biodiversity.**
- **Manage change carefully so that future improvements enhance, rather than diminish, the Quarry's unique character.**

Perhaps the strongest message across the consultation is that residents **do not fear a lack of change—they fear the wrong kind of change**. People generally support investment and thoughtful improvements, but they want every decision to reinforce the Quarry's identity as Shrewsbury's premier historic park, balancing conservation, recreation and community use for future generations.