

APPENDIX 6 – SUMMARY OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION RESPONSES

Consultation questions / proposals	Total responses (online survey)	Agree total	Disagree total	Summary of feedback on proposals
Top 3 services that should be protected going forward (from a list of 7 priorities)	126	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protection of the natural environment and climate, including parks and other green spaces • Move to alternative weekly bin collections to increase recycling and lower costs. • Improve residential parking, stop irresponsible parking. • Crime prevention to address ASB. • Improve street cleaning and address dog fouling. • Other: continue support for Arts, Culture and Heritage, invest in youth organisations, more social housing and support for local businesses.
Overall approach to balance the council's proposed budget for 2021 to 2021	124	48	40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issue with parking charges for disabled people, Eastrop, village car parks and residents permits. • Reduce spend on housing, council office refurbishment, non-statutory services. • Prevention work - mental health, unemployment. • Staff changes, concern about redundancies and impact on service provisions and local communities. • Council tax, raise in relation to ability to pay. • Move to alternative weekly bin collections to increase recycling and lower costs. • Other: long-term impact of COVID-19, older people not covered, parishes don't use all services.
Review charges and concessions for some services	124	86	26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don't raise charges, cut subsidies. • Change to bulky waste charge could lead to increased fly-tipping. • Increase in fees for bowling clubs - negative impact on older people.
Review local parking charges	124	73	41	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerns about charges for disabled parking, discrimination and cumulative adverse impact on disabled people. • Increase in parking charges negative for independent retailers, rural areas and families.
Review service via Parklands Reception and the Contact Centre	126	81	24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residents still need face to face contact. • Reception reducing times issue as post offices are closing rapidly.
Reduction in unauthorised encampments budget	126	78	24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Injunction runs out in 2024 and could come under review at any time, difficult to cover other work that needs to be done in relation to unauthorised encampments.
Reduction in parish grass cutting grants	126	87	26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish councils' concerns around 'double taxation' for residents.
Reduction in grass cutting frequency	125	96	16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive increase in biodiversity, particularly in verges.
Review of provision of BLove event	126	95	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive, better use of funds.
Community	126	73	24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern about cumulative impact on communities.

wellbeing proposals				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential reduction to funding for sports activities and local clubs an issue. • Need detail about the new community strategy.
Revision of attendant cover at six sports grounds	126	76	16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern about impact on young people in clubs (however, mitigating actions are in place).
Centre Shuttle withdrawal	126	76	23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wait until rapid mass transport system is in place. • Does not support climate goals. • Consider the implications of COVID-19.
Generating additional income	126	70	29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rent out council buildings. • Don't let core services suffer if sell council services. • Carry out electricity microgeneration, use or distribute renewable energy from council buildings.

Other Feedback

Impact on organisations / comments on other points in the budget	N/A	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern about impact on Voluntary and Community Organisations (VCOs). • Community Team support and resources needed for VCOs to deliver community wellbeing initiatives. • Any reduction to arts and culture budget would be compounded by Hampshire County Council's 100% withdrawal of funds. • Spend less on commercial property. • More shared services with other local authorities. • A coronavirus impact statement is required • Leisure Park re-development concern to town centre businesses. • Staff reduction will make processes slower.
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