

Consultation on proposed changes to the Local Council Tax Reduction scheme for Reading 2022/23: Summary report

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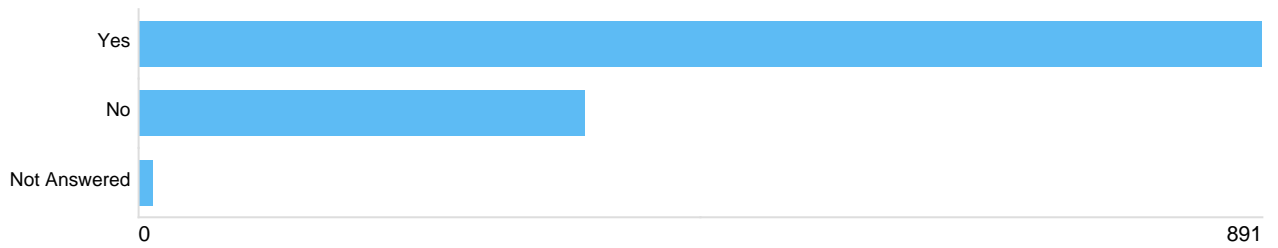
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Do you agree with this proposal?

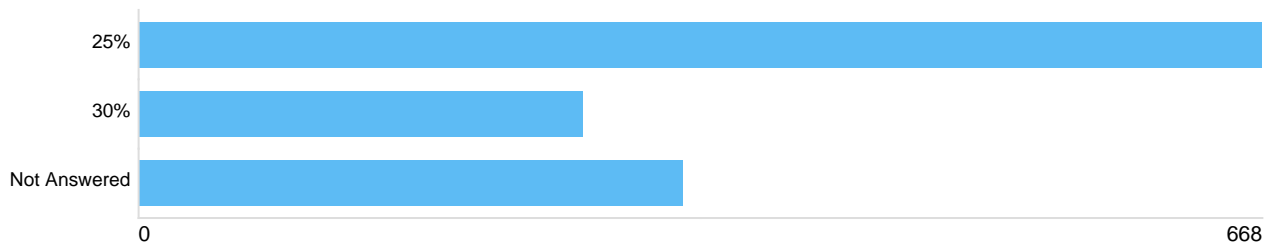
Proposal 1 - agree



Option	Total	Percent
Yes	891	71.05%
No	352	28.07%
Not Answered	11	0.88%

If you agree with this proposal, which minimum payment level would you like to see implemented?

Proposal 1 - payment level



Option	Total	Percent
25%	668	53.27%
30%	263	20.97%
Not Answered	323	25.76%

If you do not agree please give your reasons or alternative suggestions.

Proposal 1 - reasons and alternatives

There were 339 responses to this part of the question.

Do you agree with this proposal?

Proposal 2 - agree



Option	Total	Percent
Yes	1042	83.09%
No	194	15.47%
Not Answered	18	1.44%

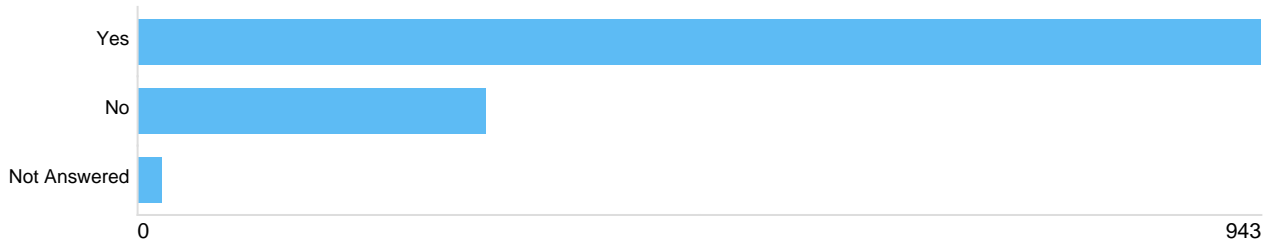
If you do not agree please give your reasons or alternative suggestions.

Proposal 2 - reasons and alternatives

There were 159 responses to this part of the question.

Do you agree with this proposal?

Proposal 3 - agree



Option	Total	Percent
Yes	943	75.20%
No	291	23.21%
Not Answered	20	1.59%

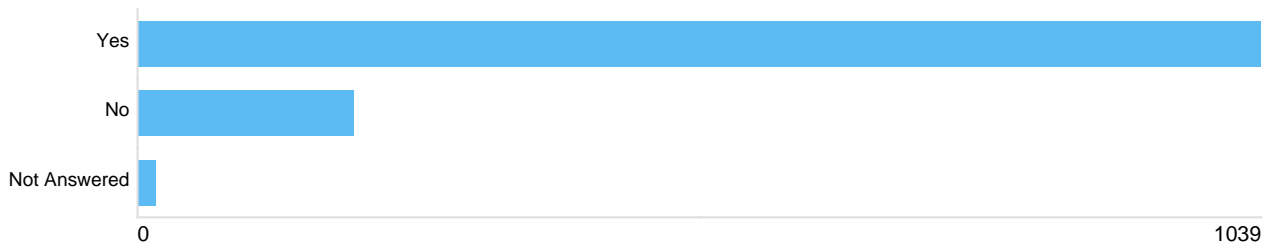
If you do not agree please give your reasons or alternative suggestions.

Proposal 3 - reasons and alternatives

There were 226 responses to this part of the question.

Do you agree with this proposal?

Proposal 4 - agree



Option	Total	Percent
Yes	1039	82.85%
No	199	15.87%
Not Answered	16	1.28%

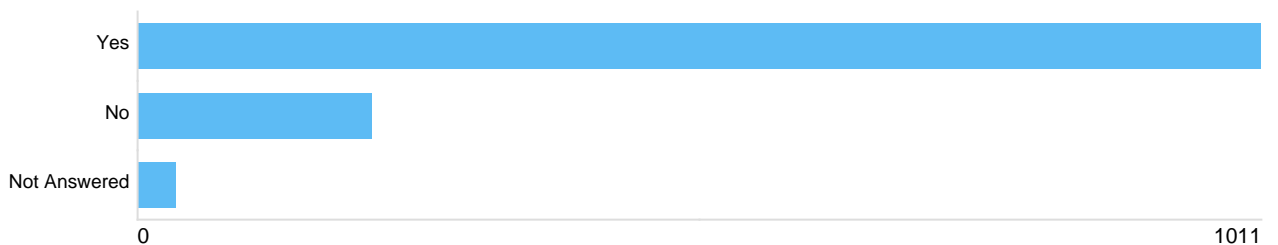
If you do not agree please give your reasons or alternative suggestions.

Proposal 4 - reasons and alternatives

There were 155 responses to this part of the question.

Do you agree with this proposal?

Proposal 5 - agree



Option	Total	Percent
Yes	1011	80.62%
No	209	16.67%
Not Answered	34	2.71%

If you do not agree please give your reasons or alternative suggestions.

Proposal 5 - reasons and alternatives

There were **157** responses to this part of the question.

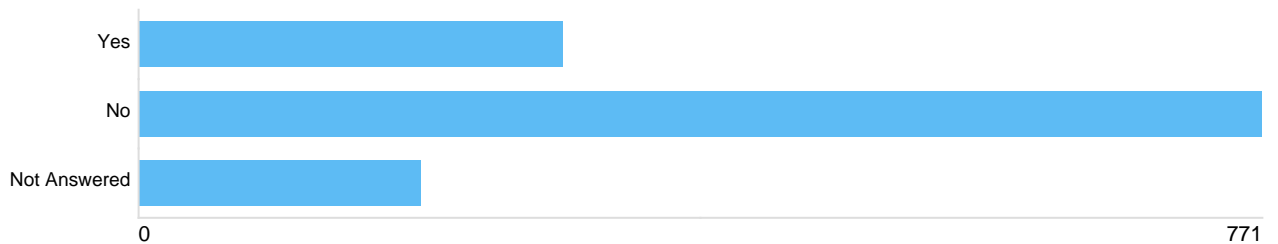
Do you have any other comments about the proposed Scheme or how it may affect you and your household?

Any other comments

There were **367** responses to this part of the question.

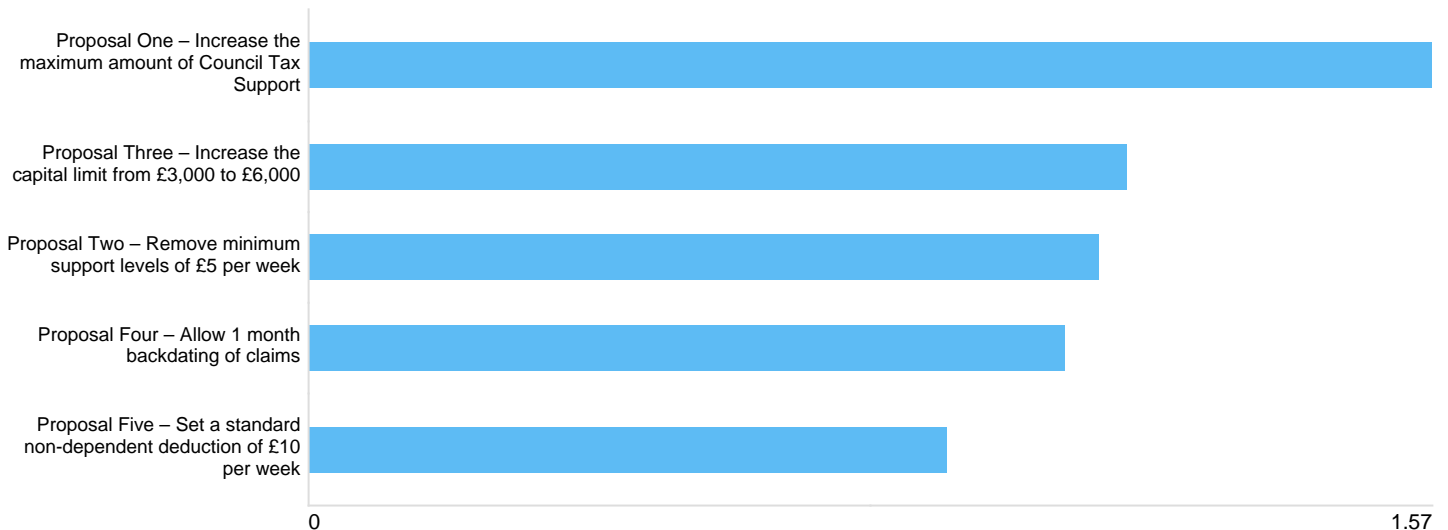
Do you have an order of preference of the options proposed?

Order of preference



Option	Total	Percent
Yes	290	23.13%
No	771	61.48%
Not Answered	193	15.39%

Table of "Ranking" in rank order



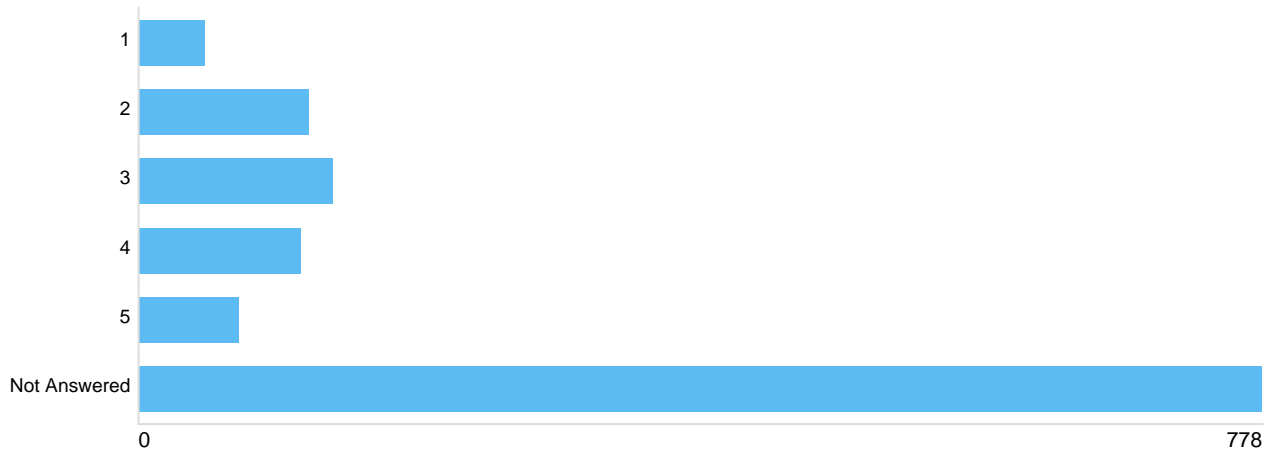
Item	Ranking
Proposal One – Increase the maximum amount of Council Tax Support	1.57
Proposal Three – Increase the capital limit from £3,000 to £6,000	1.15
Proposal Two – Remove minimum support levels of £5 per week	1.11
Proposal Four – Allow 1 month backdating of claims	1.06
Proposal Five – Set a standard non-dependent deduction of £10 per week	0.89

Ranking - Proposal One – Increase the maximum amount of Council Tax Support



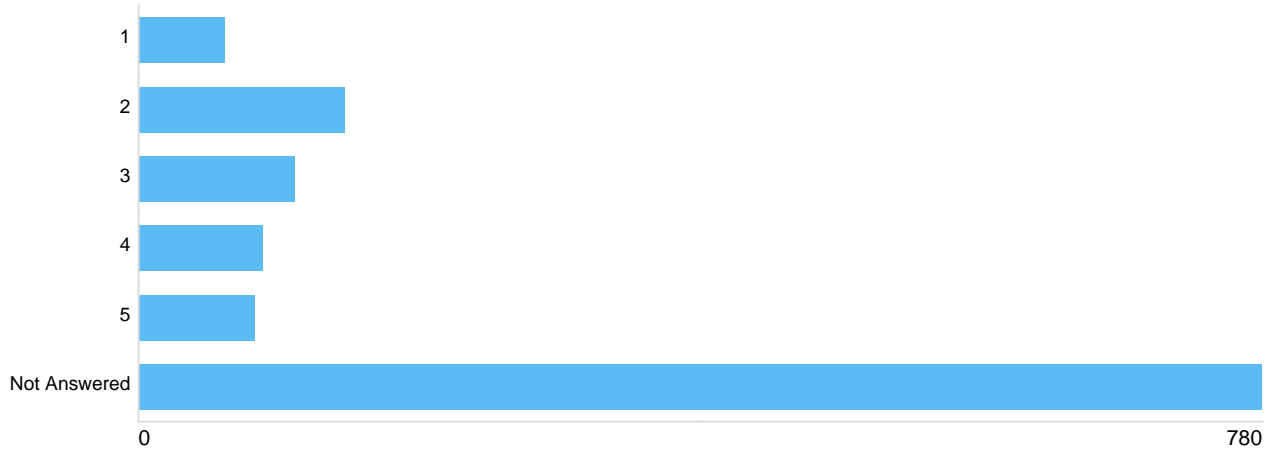
Option	Total	Percent
1	308	24.56%
2	54	4.31%
3	29	2.31%
4	25	1.99%
5	82	6.54%
Not Answered	756	60.29%

Ranking - Proposal Two – Remove minimum support levels of £5 per week



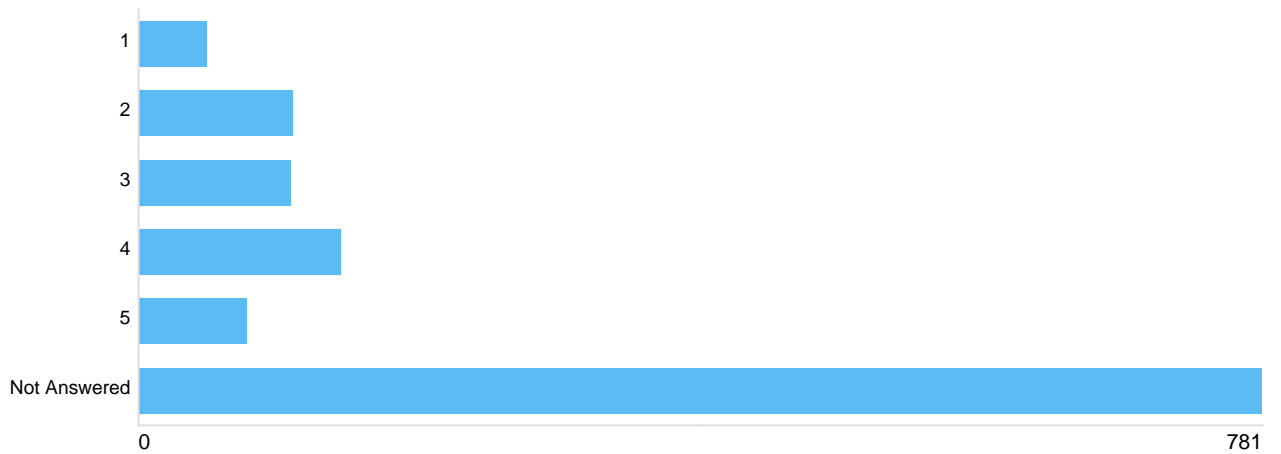
Option	Total	Percent
1	45	3.59%
2	117	9.33%
3	134	10.69%
4	111	8.85%
5	69	5.50%
Not Answered	778	62.04%

Ranking - Proposal Three – Increase the capital limit from £3,000 to £6,000



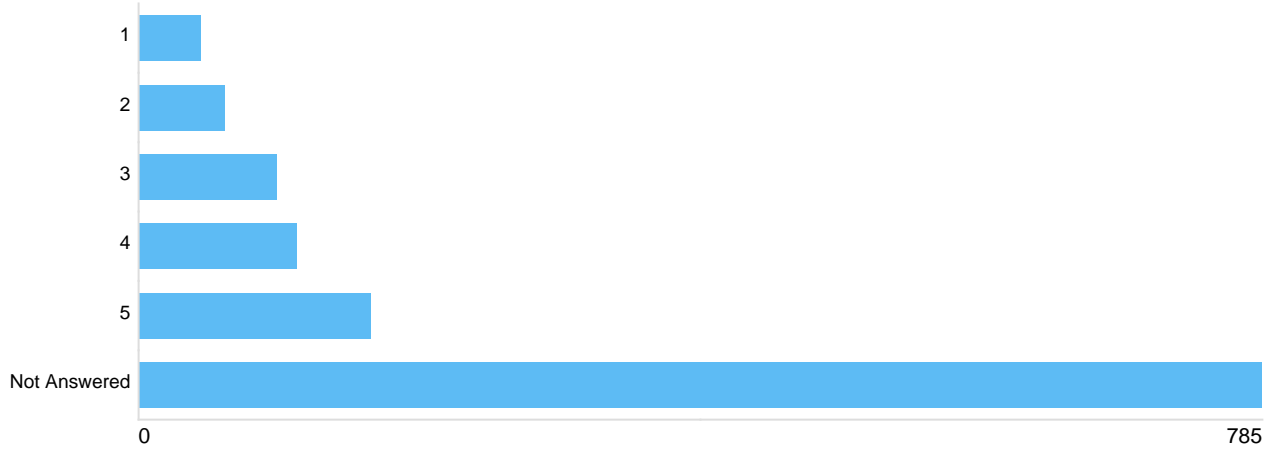
Option	Total	Percent
1	59	4.70%
2	142	11.32%
3	108	8.61%
4	85	6.78%
5	80	6.38%
Not Answered	780	62.20%

Ranking - Proposal Four – Allow 1 month backdating of claims



Option	Total	Percent
1	46	3.67%
2	107	8.53%
3	105	8.37%
4	140	11.16%
5	75	5.98%
Not Answered	781	62.28%

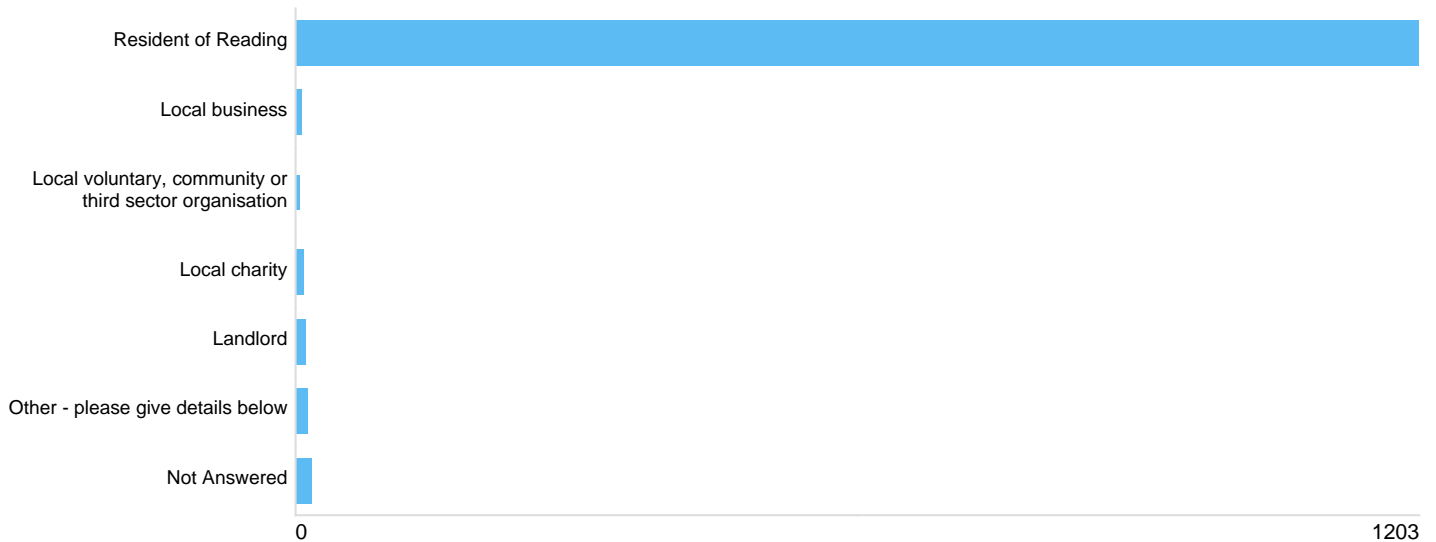
Ranking - Proposal Five – Set a standard non-dependent deduction of £10 per week



Option	Total	Percent
1	43	3.43%
2	59	4.70%
3	96	7.66%
4	109	8.69%
5	162	12.92%
Not Answered	785	62.60%

Please indicate whether you are responding to these proposals as:

userDetails



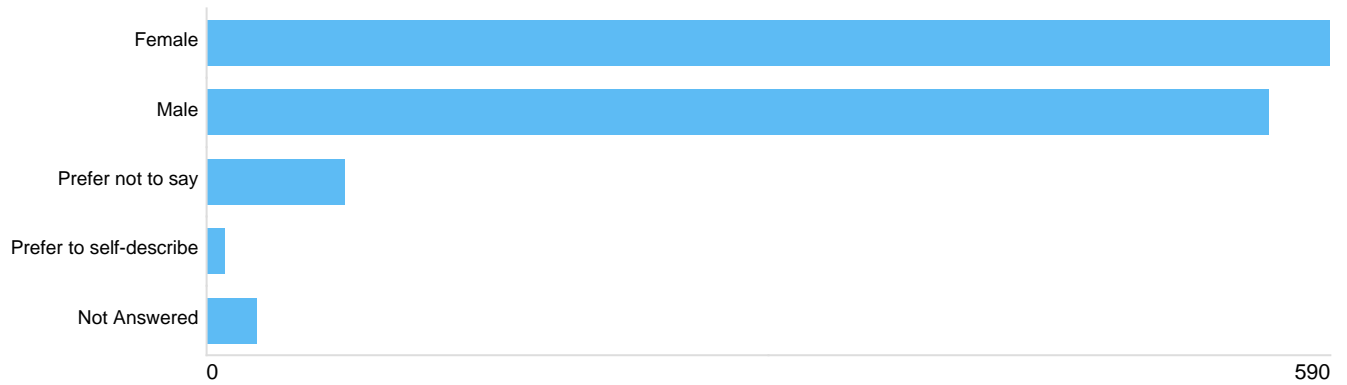
Option	Total	Percent
Resident of Reading	1203	95.93%
Local business	5	0.40%
Local voluntary, community or third sector organisation	1	0.08%
Local charity	7	0.56%
Landlord	9	0.72%
Other - please give details below	12	0.96%
Not Answered	17	1.36%

otherDetails

There were **23** responses to this part of the question.

Are you:

Gender



Option	Total	Percent
Female	590	47.05%
Male	557	44.42%
Prefer not to say	72	5.74%
Prefer to self-describe	9	0.72%
Not Answered	26	2.07%

If you prefer to self-describe, please say here

There were **20** responses to this part of the question.

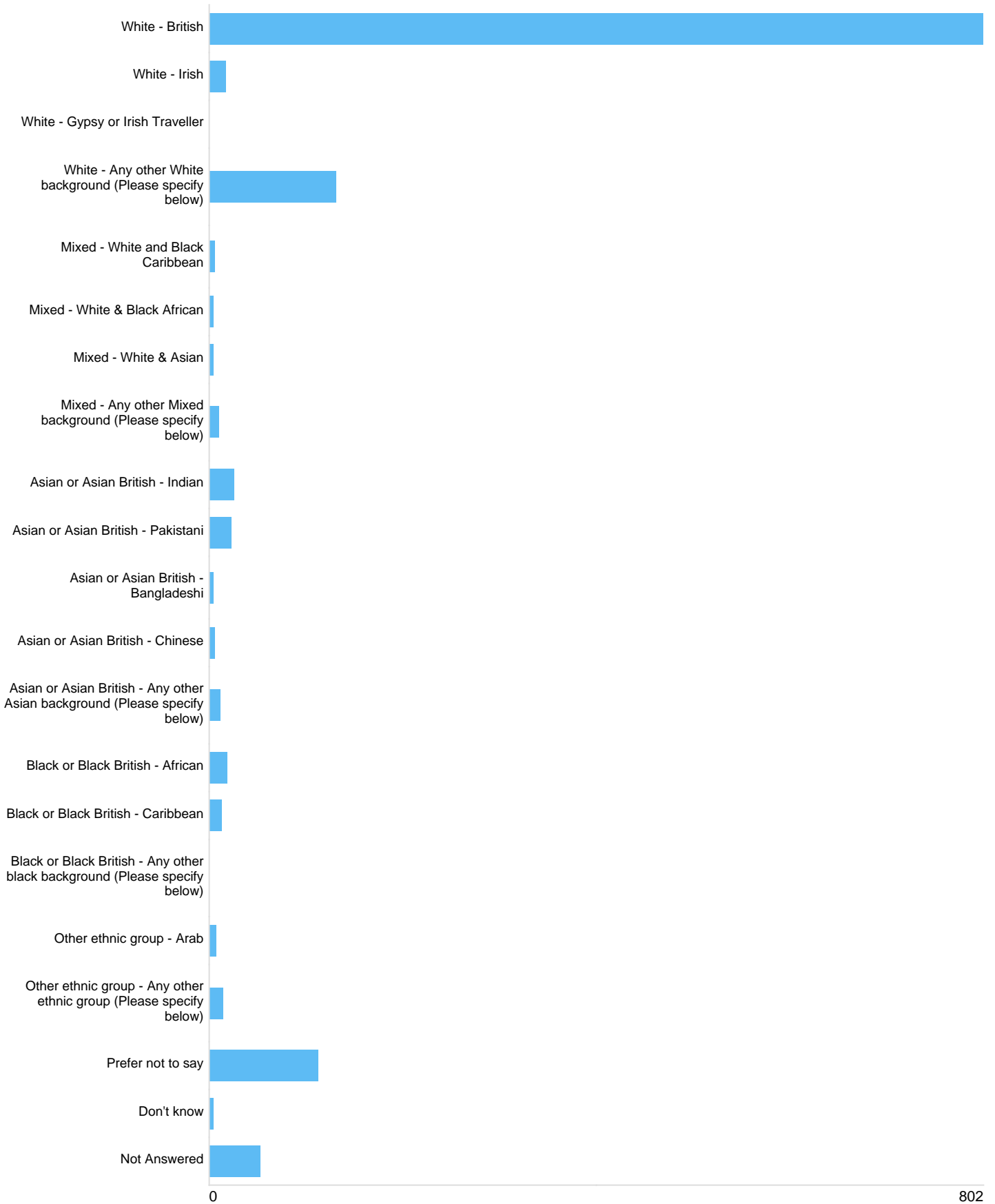
What is your date of birth?

Date of birth

There were **893** responses to this part of the question.

To which of these ethnic groups do you consider you belong?

ethnicity



Option	Total	Percent
White - British	802	63.96%
White - Irish	16	1.28%
White - Gypsy or Irish Traveller	0	0.00%
White - Any other White background (Please specify below)	130	10.37%
Mixed - White and Black Caribbean	5	0.40%
Mixed - White & Black African	4	0.32%
Mixed - White & Asian	4	0.32%
Mixed - Any other Mixed background (Please specify below)	9	0.72%
Asian or Asian British - Indian	25	1.99%
Asian or Asian British - Pakistani	22	1.75%
Asian or Asian British - Bangladeshi	4	0.32%
Asian or Asian British - Chinese	5	0.40%
Asian or Asian British - Any other Asian background (Please specify below)	10	0.80%
Black or Black British - African	18	1.44%
Black or Black British - Caribbean	12	0.96%
Black or Black British - Any other black background (Please specify below)	0	0.00%
Other ethnic group - Arab	7	0.56%
Other ethnic group - Any other ethnic group (Please specify below)	13	1.04%
Prefer not to say	112	8.93%
Don't know	4	0.32%
Not Answered	52	4.15%

ethnicityOther

There were **86** responses to this part of the question.

Does your household currently receive Council Tax Support?

Council Tax Support



Option	Total	Percent
Yes	144	11.48%
No	1036	82.62%
Don't know	47	3.75%
Not Answered	27	2.15%

Does a member of your household receive Universal Credit?

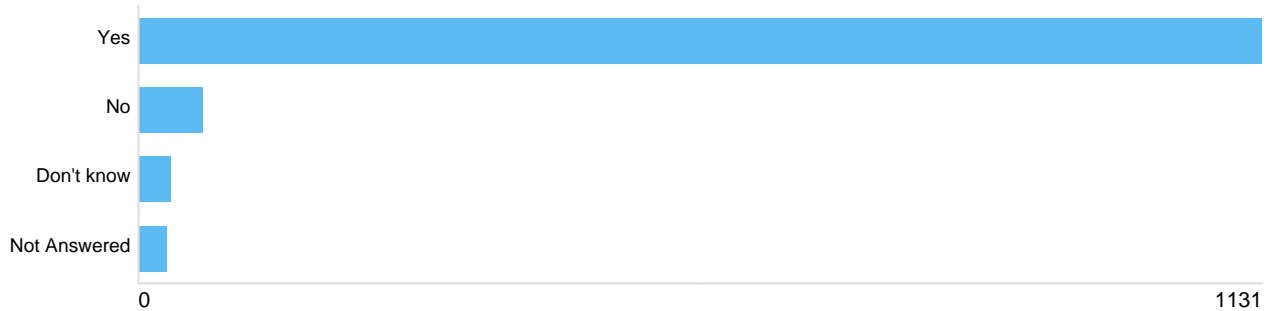
Universal Credit



Option	Total	Percent
Yes	150	11.96%
No	1059	84.45%
Don't know	14	1.12%
Not Answered	31	2.47%

Does your name appear on the Council Tax bill for your household?

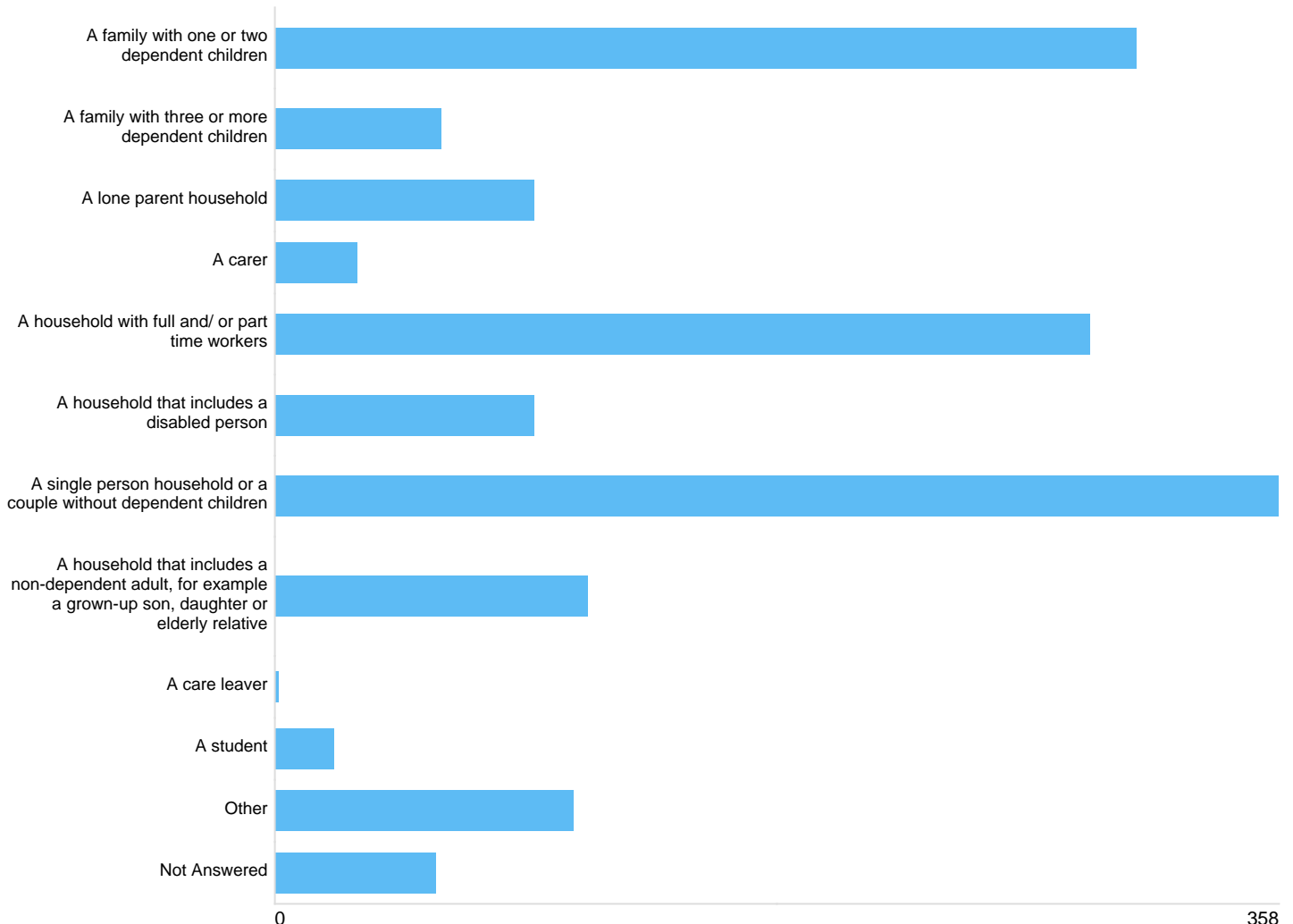
Name on bill



Option	Total	Percent
Yes	1131	90.19%
No	64	5.10%
Don't know	32	2.55%
Not Answered	27	2.15%

How would you best describe your household? (Please select all that apply)

Household



Option	Total	Percent
A family with one or two dependent children	307	24.48%
A family with three or more dependent children	59	4.70%
A lone parent household	92	7.34%
A carer	29	2.31%
A household with full and/ or part time workers	290	23.13%
A household that includes a disabled person	92	7.34%
A single person household or a couple without dependent children	358	28.55%
A household that includes a non-dependent adult, for example a grown-up son, daughter or elderly relative	111	8.85%
A care leaver	1	0.08%
A student	21	1.67%
Other	106	8.45%
Not Answered	57	4.55%

Other household

There were **91** responses to this part of the question.