

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

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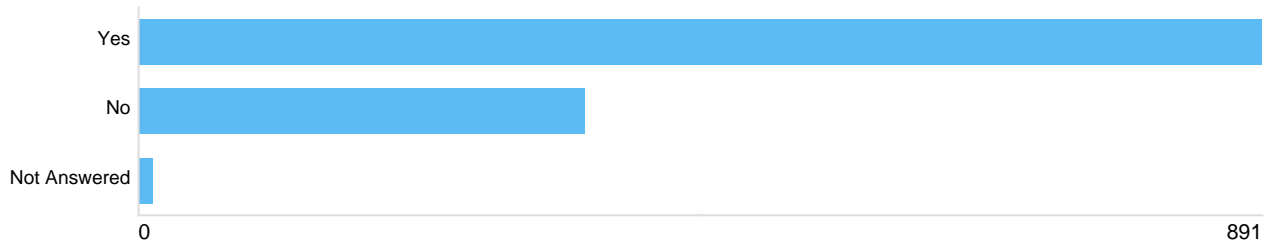
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**Do you agree with this proposal?**

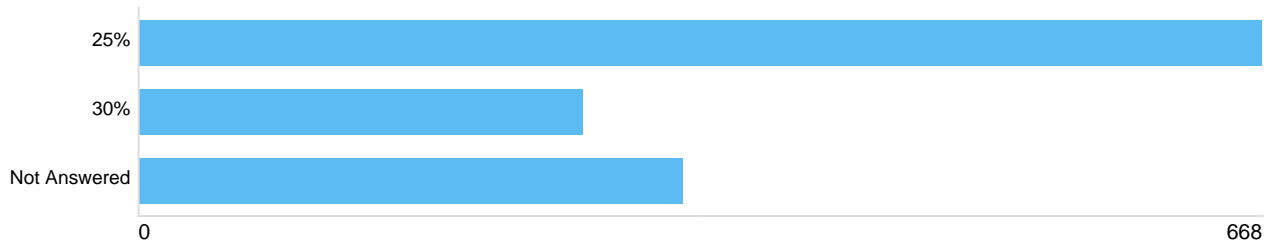
**Proposal 1 - agree**



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%

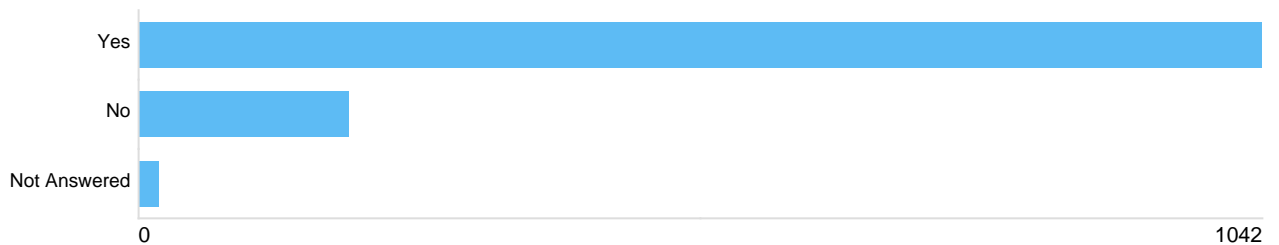
**If you do not agree please give your reasons or alternative suggestions.**

**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%

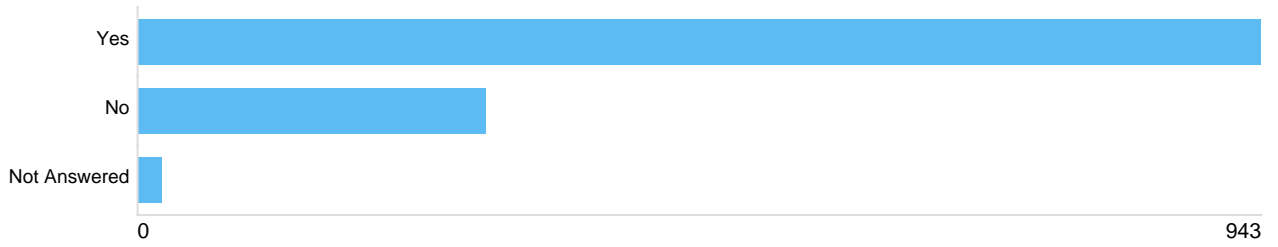
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**Proposal 2 - reasons and alternatives**

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%

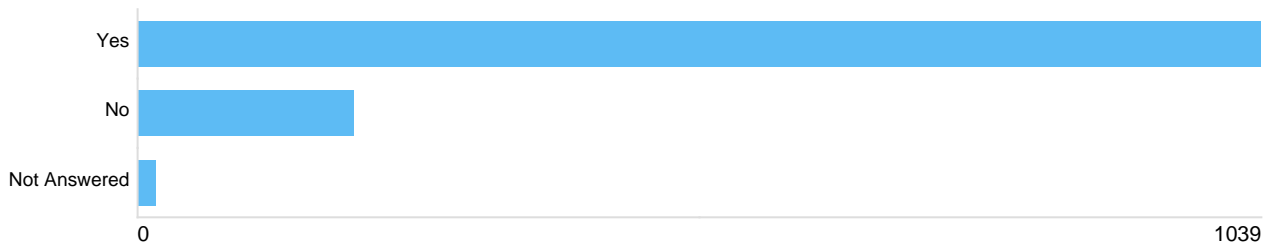
**If you do not agree please give your reasons or alternative suggestions.**

**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%

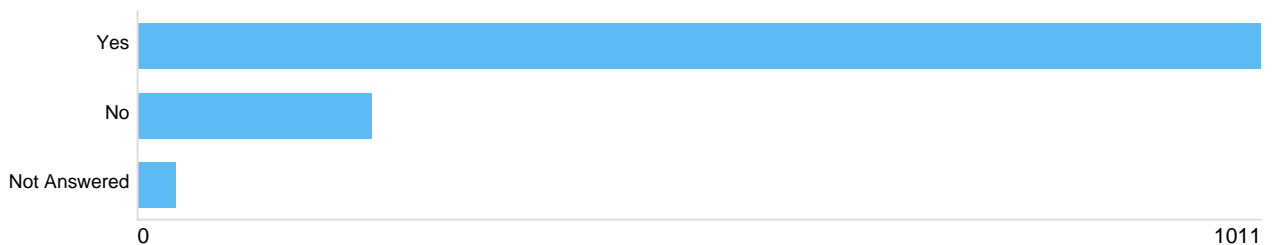
**If you do not agree please give your reasons or alternative suggestions.**

**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.

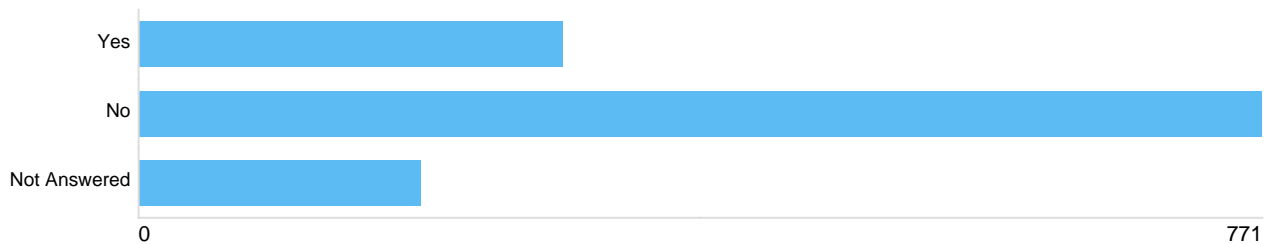
**Do you have any other comments about the proposed Scheme or how it may affect you and your household?**

**Any other comments**

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

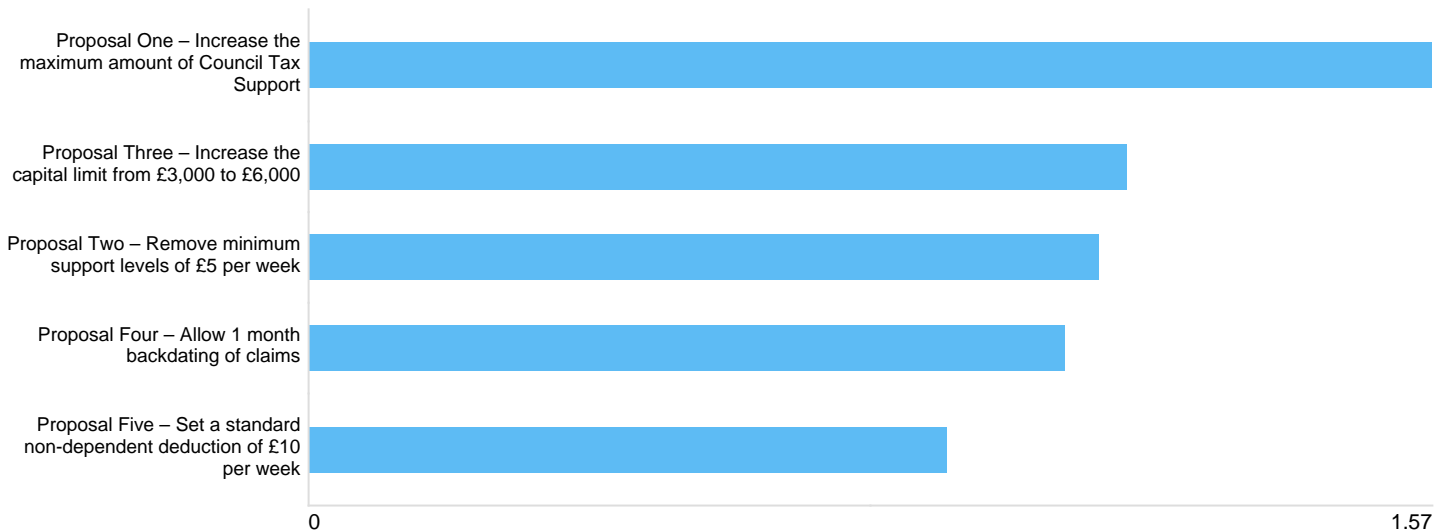
**Do you have an order of preference of the options proposed?**

**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**



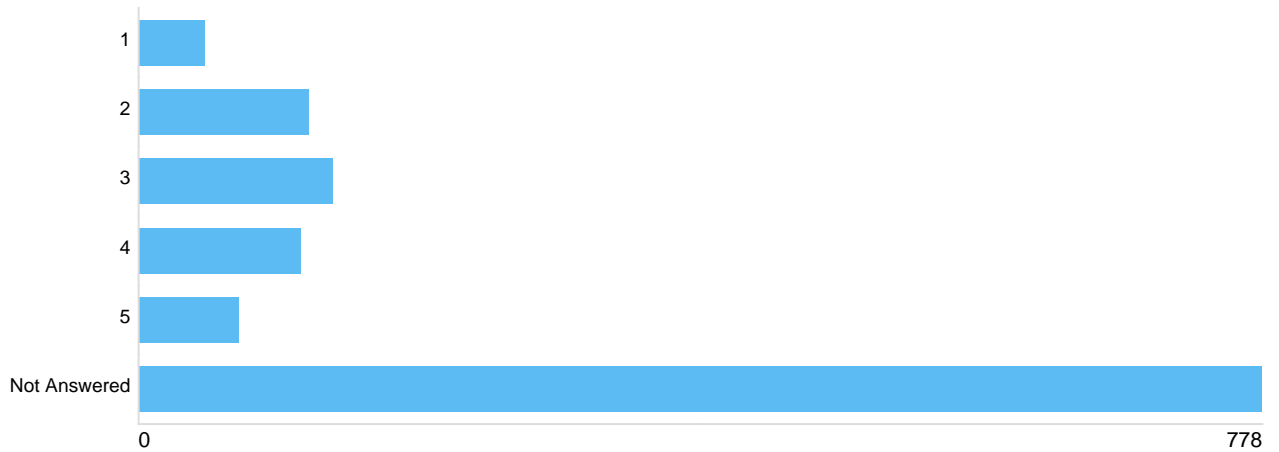
Item	Ranking
Proposal One – Increase the maximum amount of Council Tax Support	1.57
Proposal Three – Increase the capital limit from £3,000 to £6,000	1.15
Proposal Two – Remove minimum support levels of £5 per week	1.11
Proposal Four – Allow 1 month backdating of claims	1.06
Proposal Five – Set a standard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

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



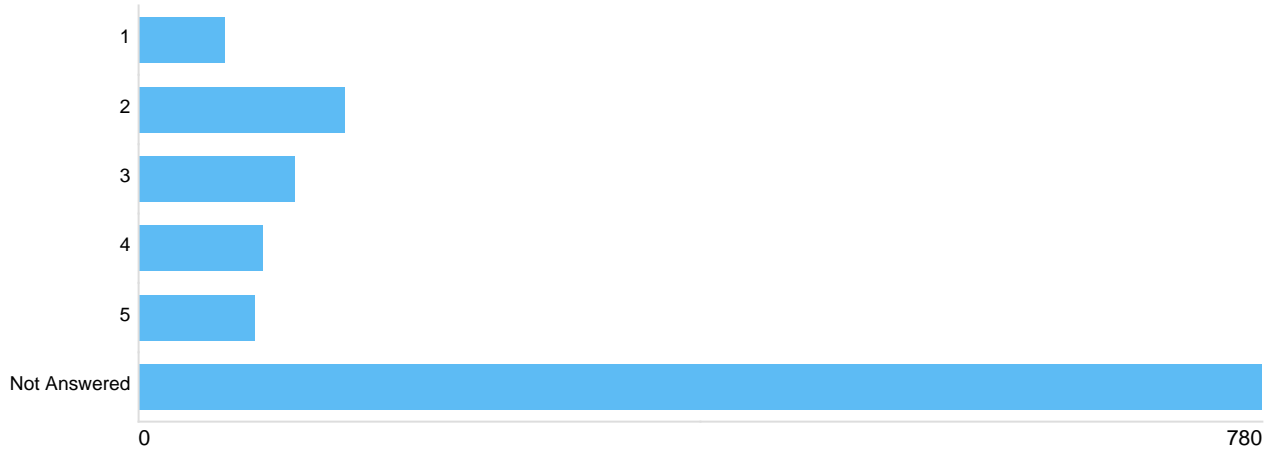
Option	Total	Percent
1	308	24.56%
2	54	4.31%
3	29	2.31%
4	25	1.99%
5	82	6.54%
Not Answered	756	60.29%

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



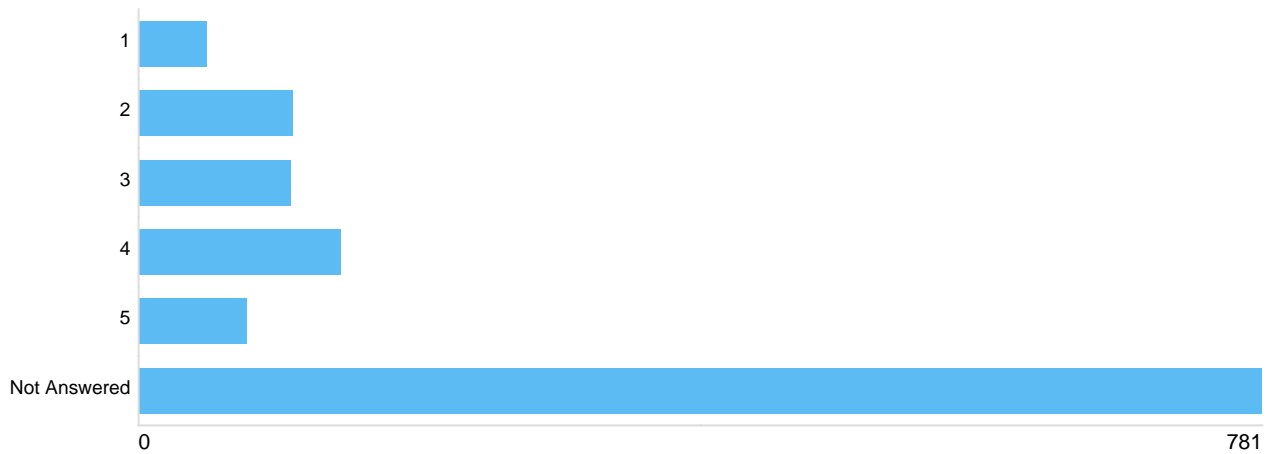
Option	Total	Percent
1	45	3.59%
2	117	9.33%
3	134	10.69%
4	111	8.85%
5	69	5.50%
Not Answered	778	62.04%

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



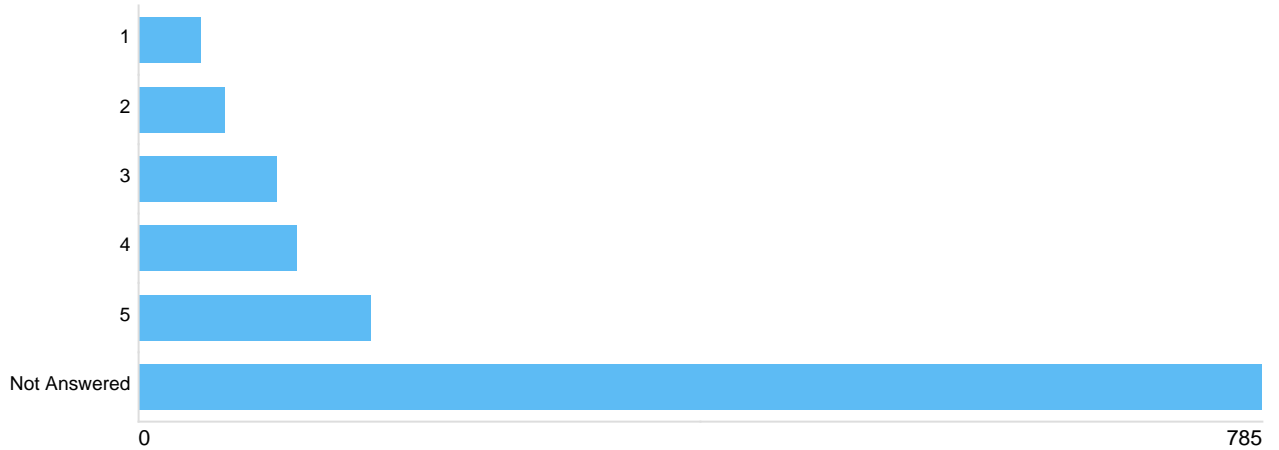
Option	Total	Percent
1	59	4.70%
2	142	11.32%
3	108	8.61%
4	85	6.78%
5	80	6.38%
Not Answered	780	62.20%

**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%

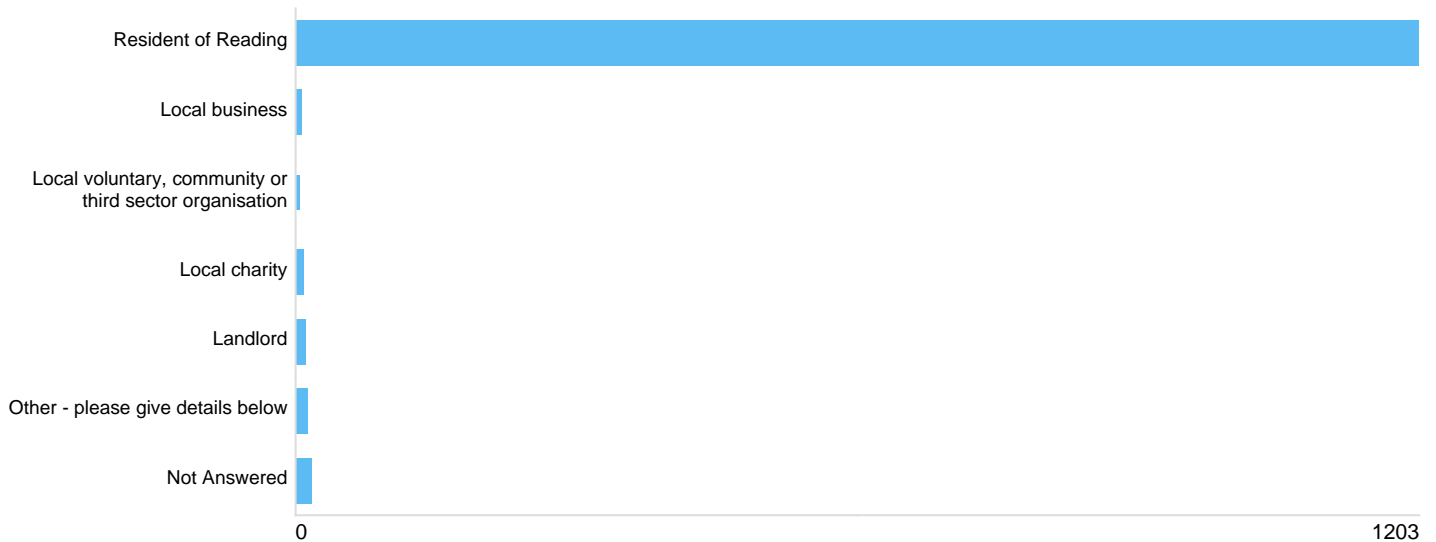
**Ranking - Proposal Five – Set a standard non-dependent deduction of £10 per week**



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**



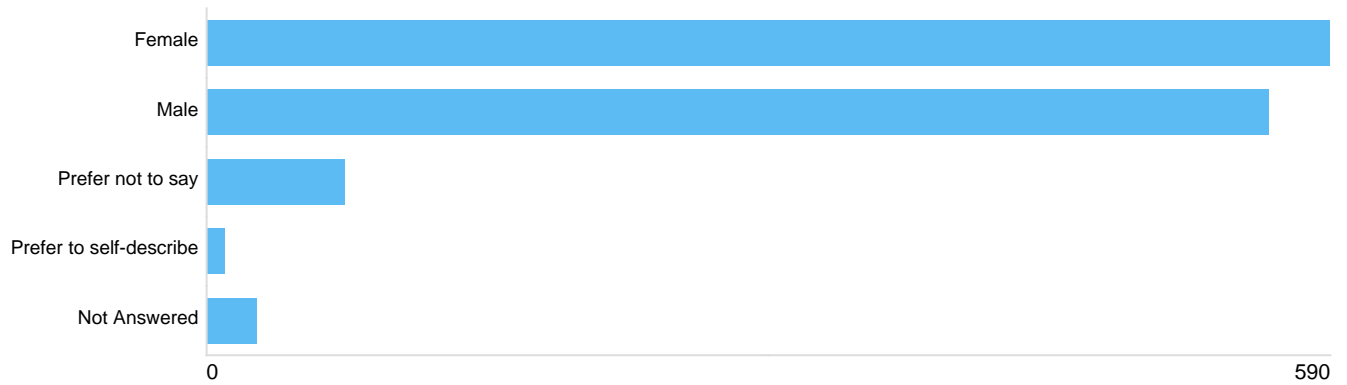
Option	Total	Percent
Resident of Reading	1203	95.93%
Local business	5	0.40%
Local voluntary, community or third sector organisation	1	0.08%
Local charity	7	0.56%
Landlord	9	0.72%
Other - please give details below	12	0.96%
Not Answered	17	1.36%

**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?**

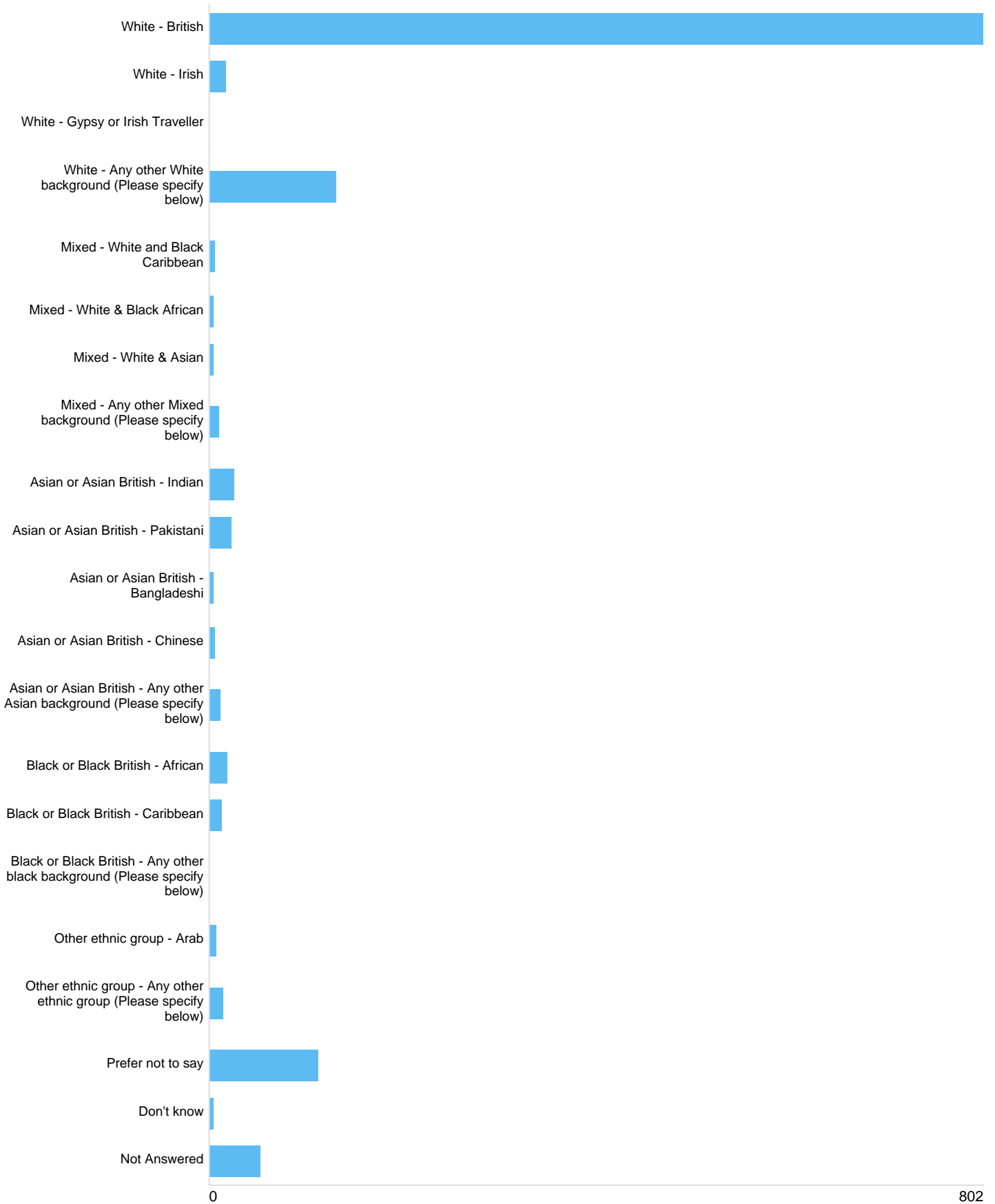
**Date of birth**

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?**

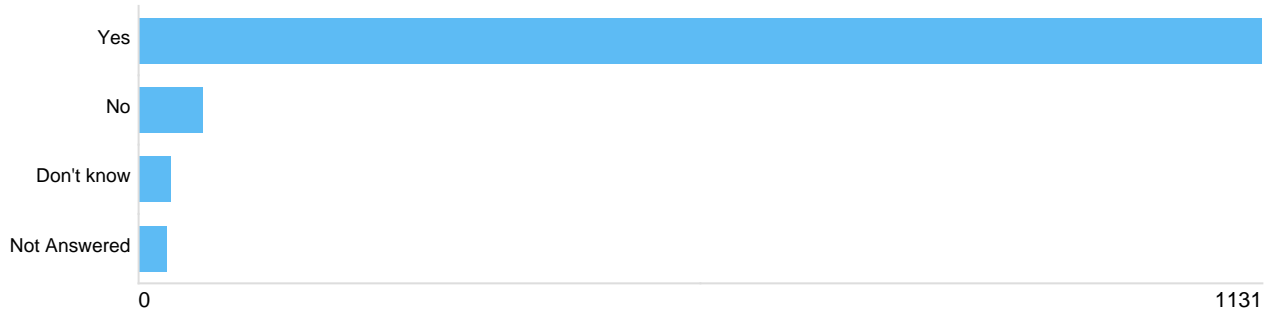
#### ***Universal Credit***



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?**

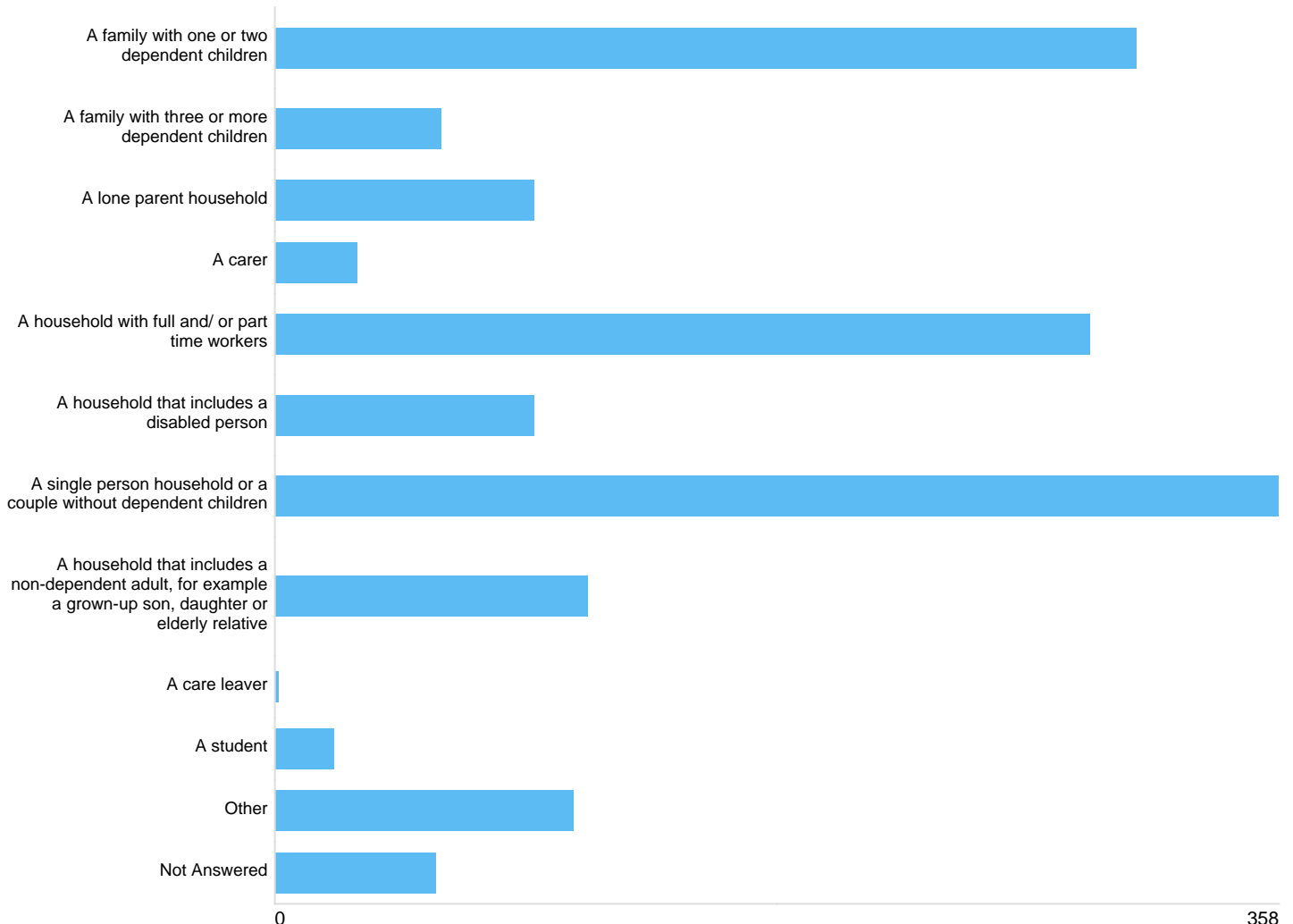
**Name on bill**



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**



<b>Option</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Percent</b>
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.