

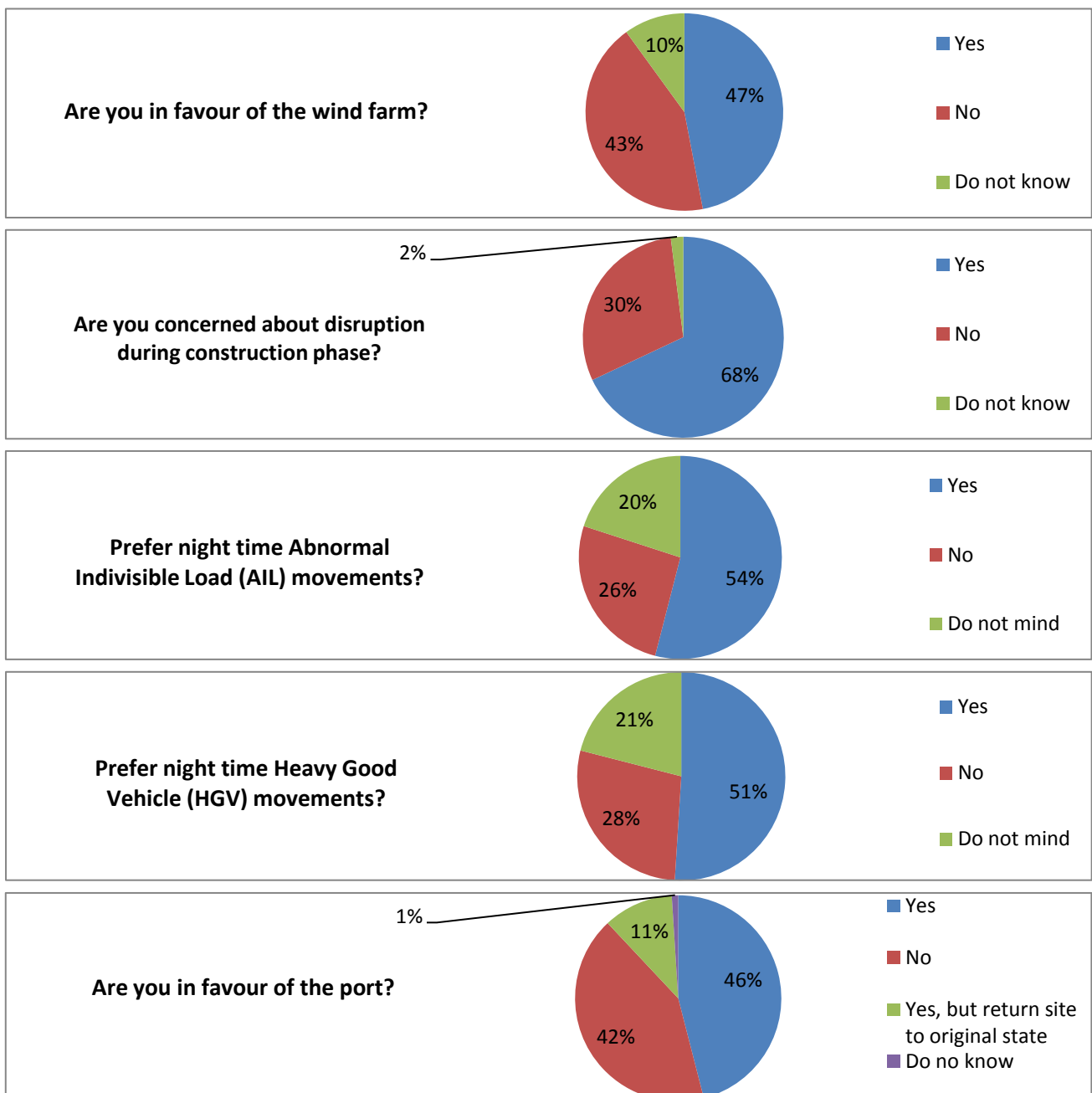
Struan Community Council (SCC) – Glen Ullinish II (GUII) Survey Report

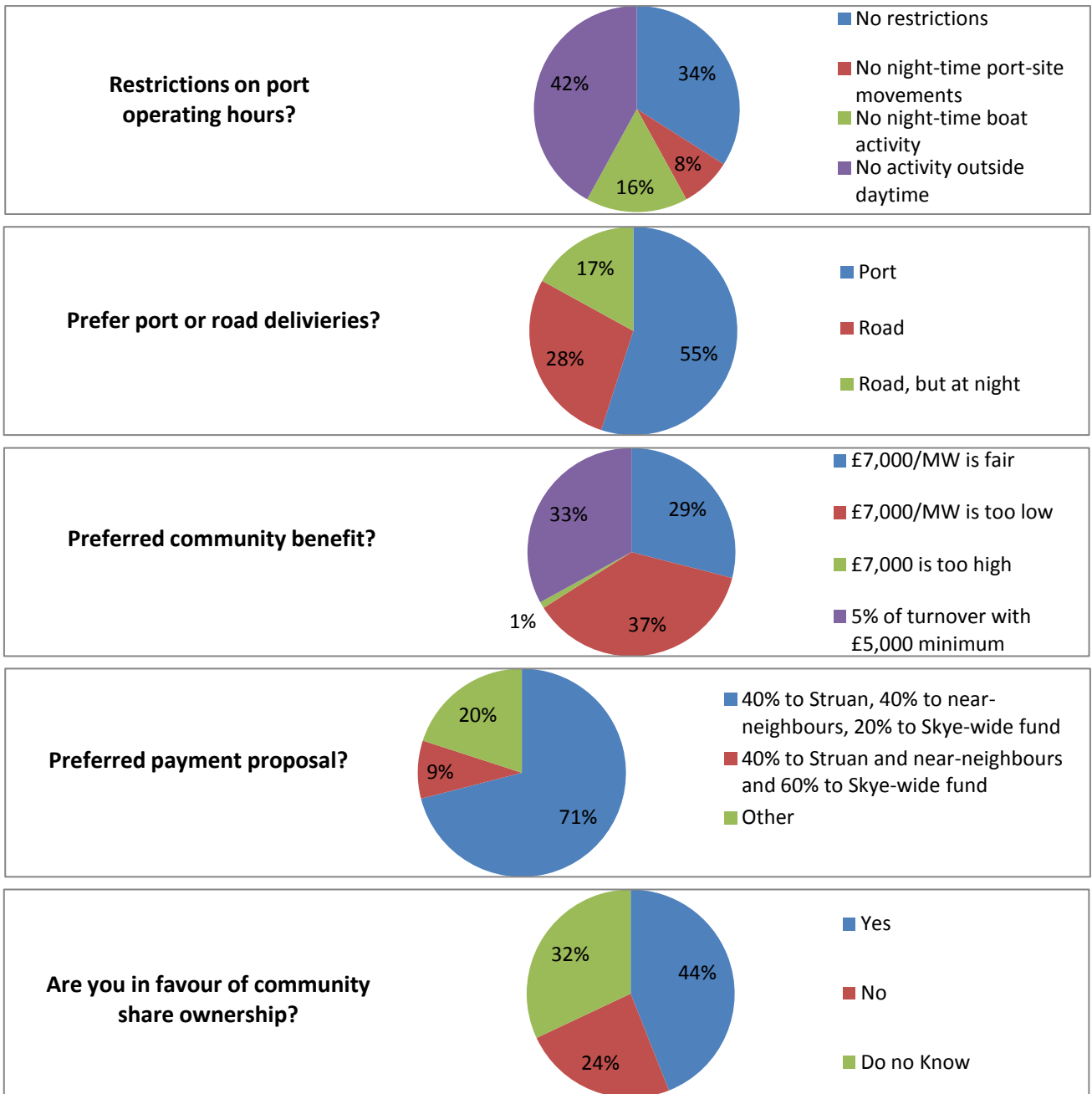
Introduction

The purpose of the online survey was to seek the views of Struan residents about a number of aspects associated with the proposed GUII development and the associated proposal for a port at Ose. Online-only surveys by their nature are subject to a number of flaws - most notably they only reach residents who are online and it is not possible to control who completes the survey. However, it was agreed that the survey should go ahead in order to give the Community Council an initial flavour of how the community viewed the aforementioned developments.

Results

There were 168 responses to the survey of which 88 were residents and 80 were non-residents. The resident population of the Struan Community is believed to be around 250, giving a response rate of around 35%. Results from the **Struan Residents** are below:



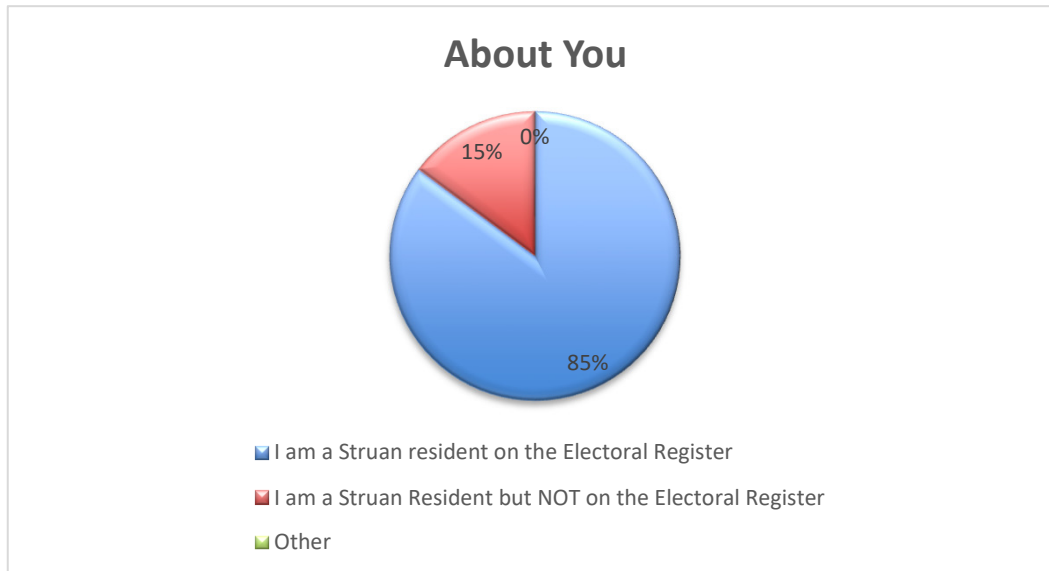


Conclusions

The online survey was successful in providing the SCC with a flavour of the views of the community. Moving forward, the SCC would encourage those that have not taken part in this survey or were unaware of it, to subscribe to the Struan Community Website in order that they are better informed about activity in the Struan Community and thereby the SCC may ascertain the views of a wider proportion of the community and enhance the ability of SCC to accurately represent the residents.

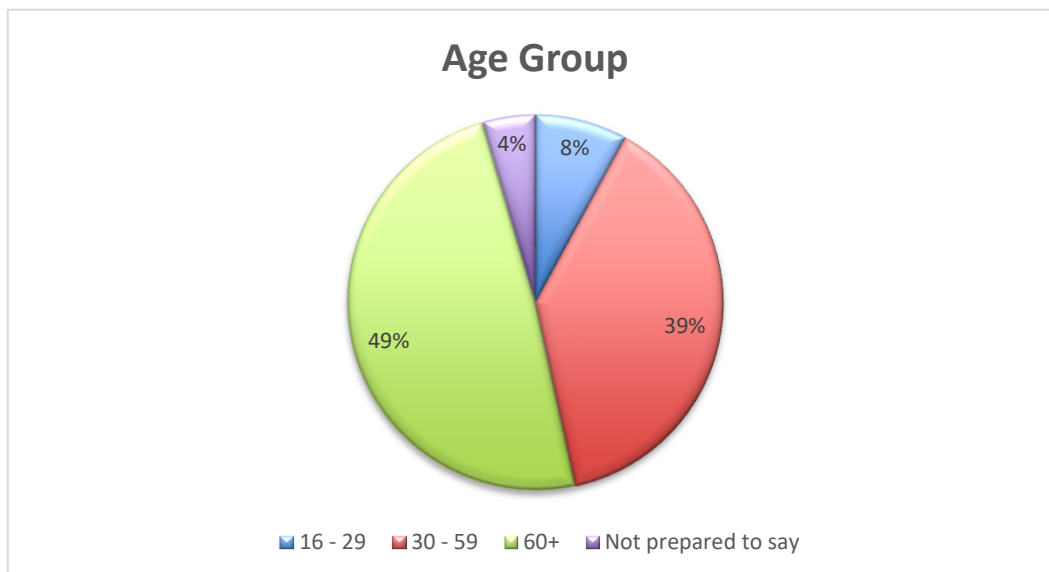
Are you a resident living in the Struan Community Council Area?

I am a Struan resident on the Electoral Register	75
I am a Struan Resident but NOT on the Electoral Register	13
Other	0
Total Responses	88



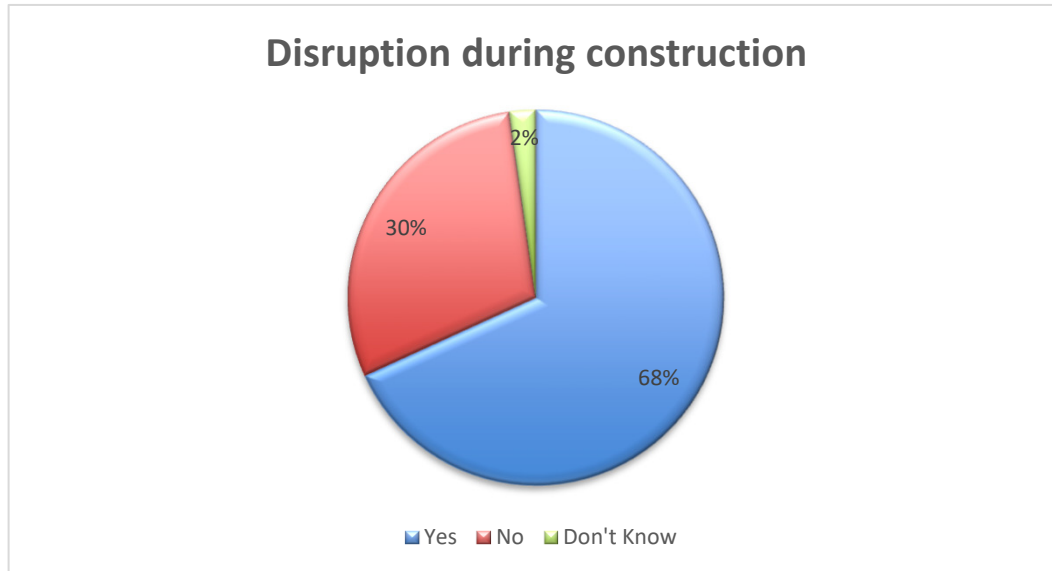
What age group are you in?

16 - 29	7
30 - 59	34
60+	43
Not prepared to say	4
Total Responses	88



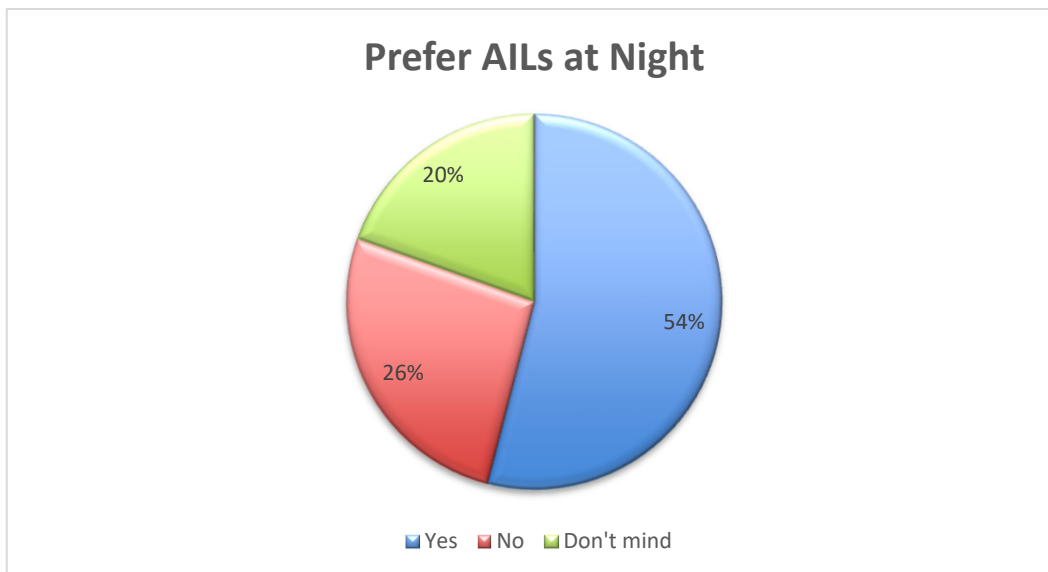
Are you concerned about the disruption that may occur during the construction phase?

Yes	60
No	26
Don't Know	2
Total Responses	88



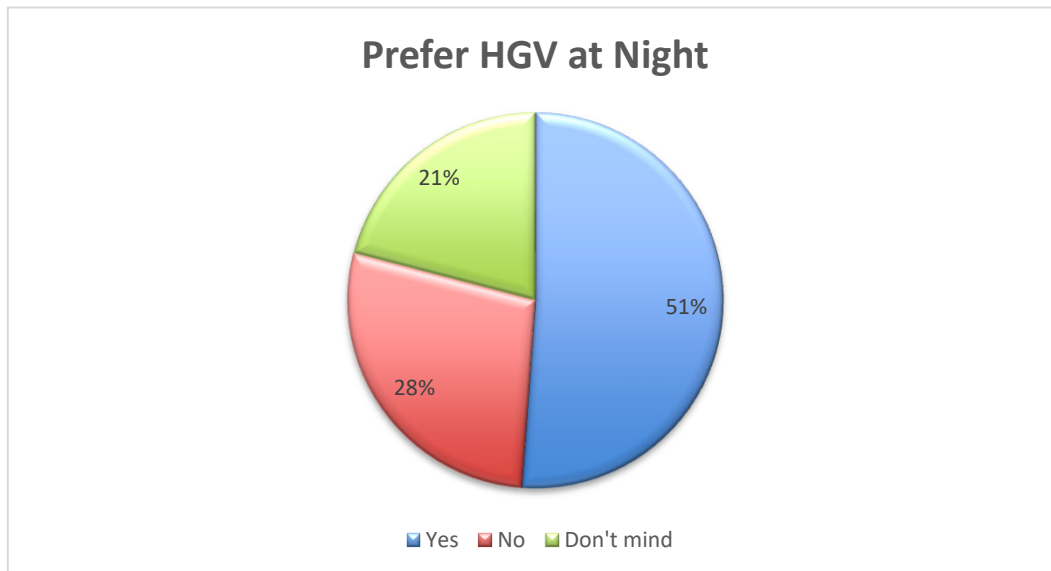
Would you prefer AIL Movements to take place at night?

Yes	47
No	23
Don't mind	17
Total Responses	87



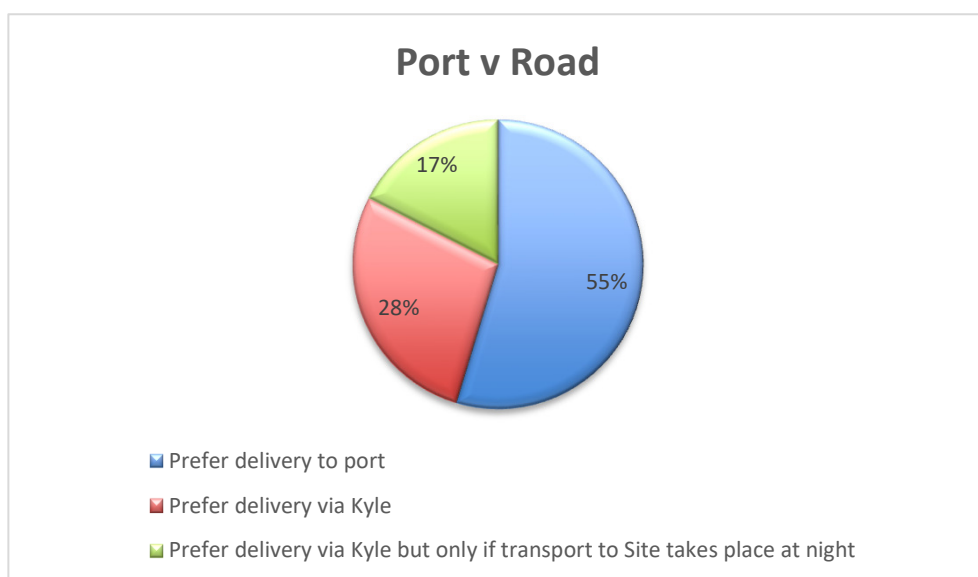
Would you prefer HGV Movements to take place at night?

Yes	44
No	24
Don't mind	18
Total Responses	86



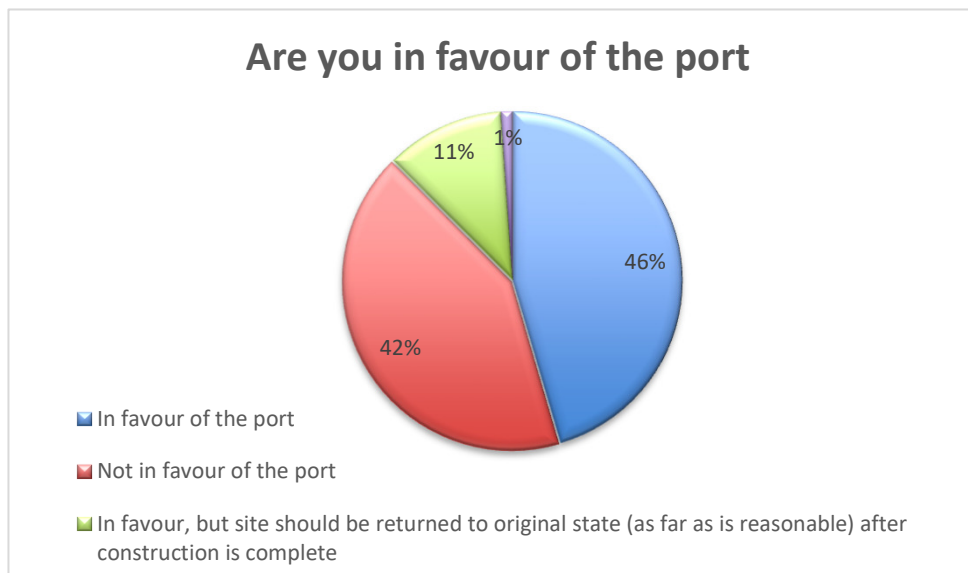
Do you prefer port over road deliveries?

Prefer delivery to port	47
Prefer delivery via Kyle	24
Prefer delivery via Kyle but only if transport to Site takes place at night	15
Total Responses	86



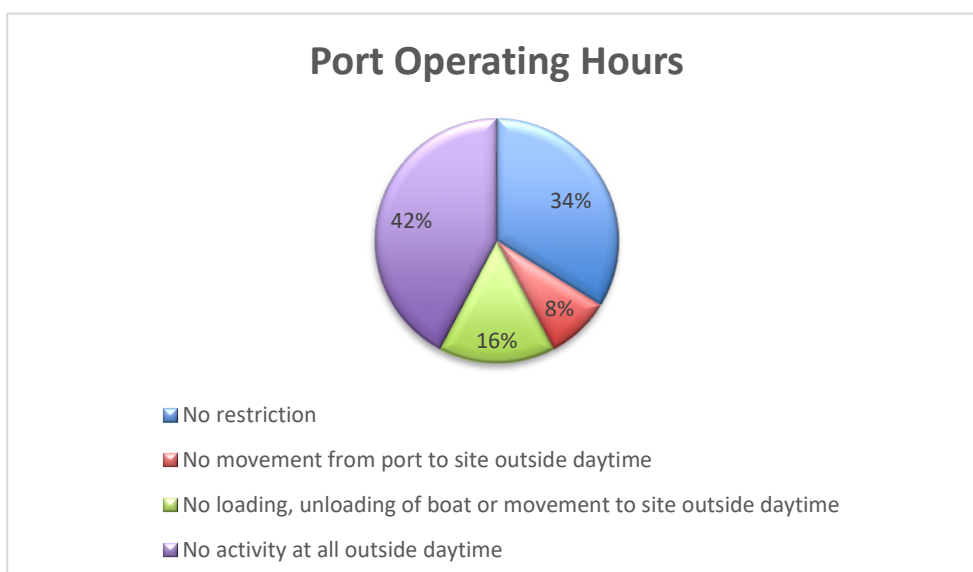
Are you in favour of the port?

In favour of the port	40
Not in favour of the port	37
In favour, but site should be returned to original state (as far as is reasonable) after construction is complete	10
Don't know	1
Total Responses	88



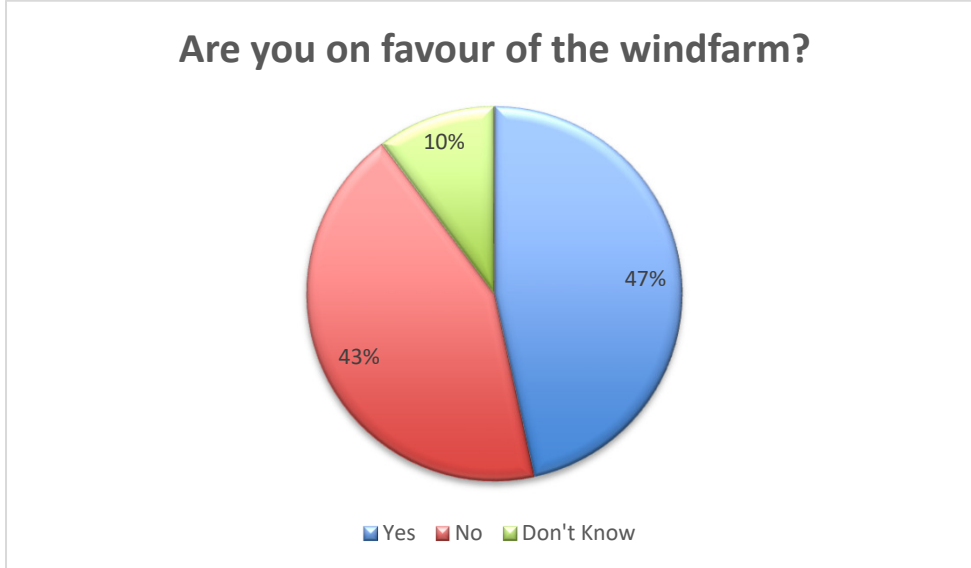
Restrictions on Port operating hours

No restriction	24
No movement from port to site outside daytime	6
No loading, unloading of boat or movement to site outside daytime	11
No activity at all outside daytime	30
Total Responses	71



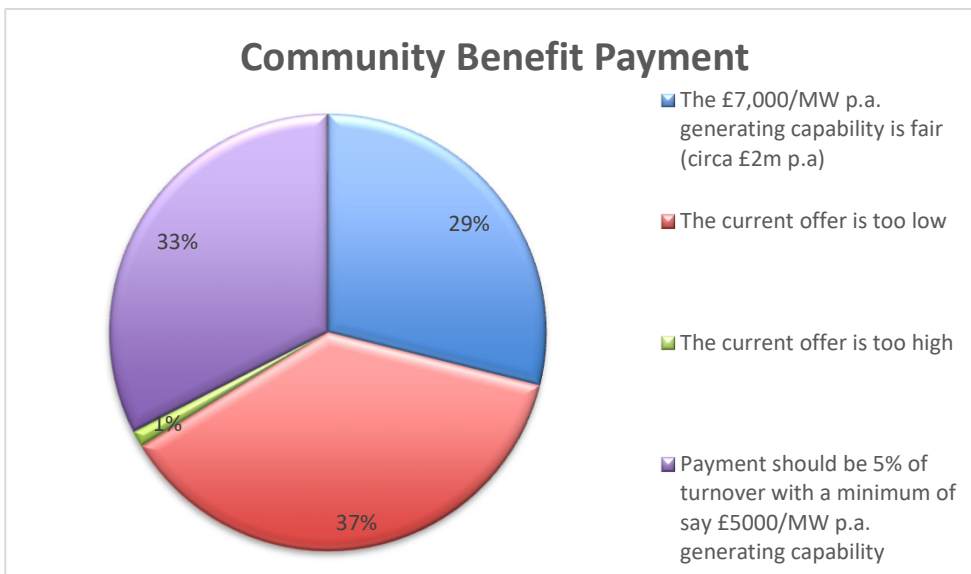
Are you in favour of the windfarm?

Yes	41
No	38
Don't Know	9
Total Responses	88



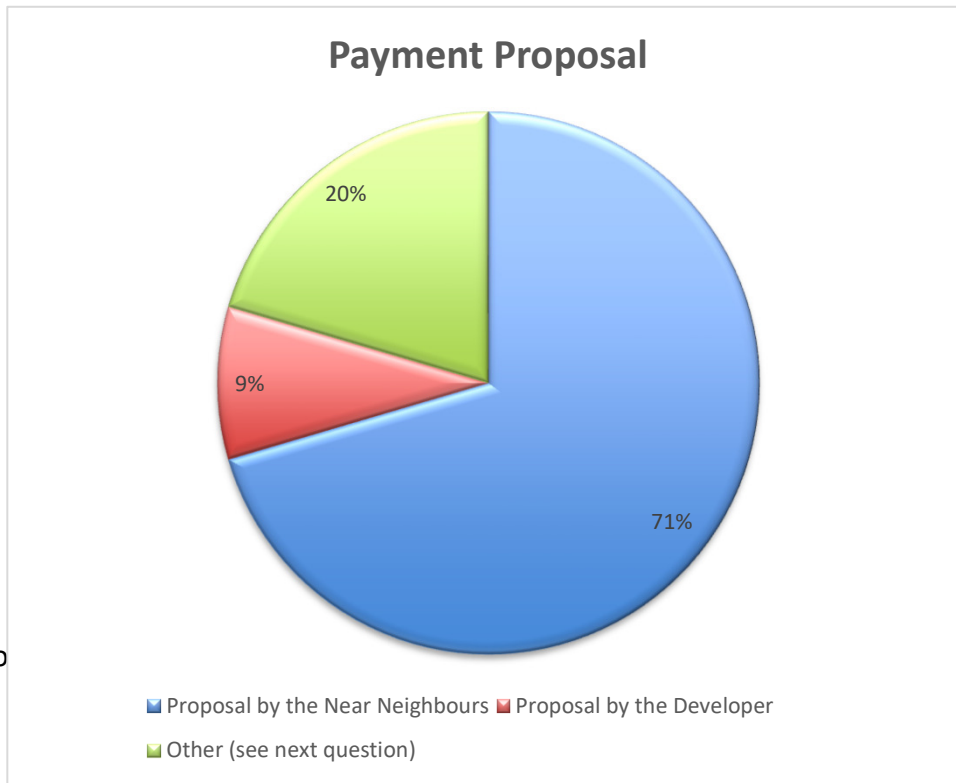
Community Benefit Payment Model

The £7,000/MW p.a. generating capability is fair (circa £2m p.a)	24
The current offer is too low	31
The current offer is too high	1
Payment should be 5% of turnover with a minimum of say £5000/MW p.a. generating capability	27
Total Responses	83



Which payment proposal do you prefer?

Proposal by the Near Neighbours	62
Proposal by the Developer	8
Other (see next question)	18
Total Responses	88



In favour of

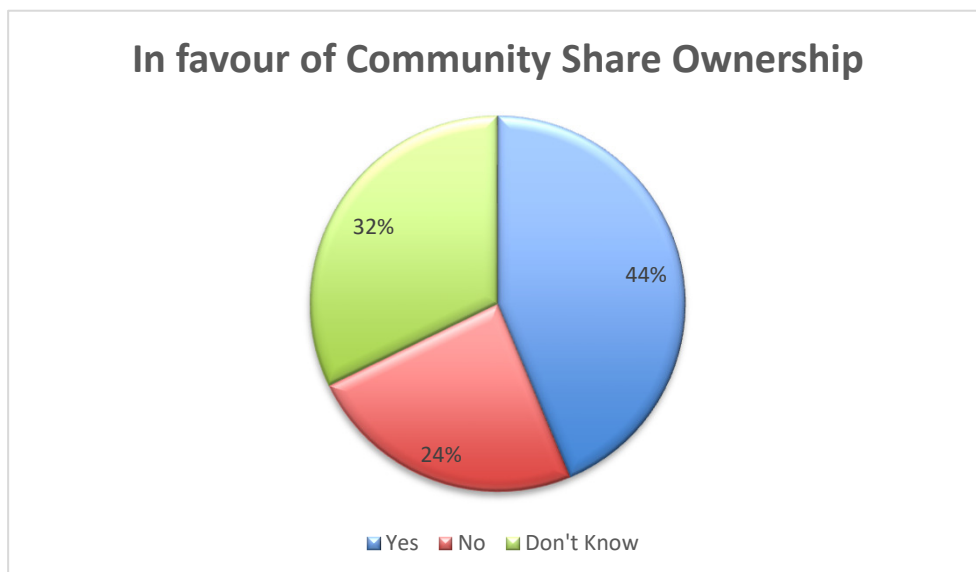
Yes

No

Don't Know

Total Responses

21
28
87



Struan Residents – Comments made by those that selected “other” on Port Operation

Don't do it.

Daytime only restrictions - dawn-dusk and NO Floodlights like UIG please!

No activity at all

Option 5

No port

The port should not go ahead and neither should this windfarm project

Night only

No port at all therefore no movement at all in this area.

Option 5

Boat movement outwith daylight but not transport to site

Prefer if there was no Sunday operations

6am till 9pm

this has nothing to do with the community busybodies, Semler says jump and you ask how high

what ever you do will cause significant disruption. There is no good answer.

Struan Residents – Comments made by those who are not in favour of the wind farm and selected “other” from the list of reasons

They rip apart communities. People fight, they will destroy one of the most beautiful places in the world.

not entirely sure. -acknowledge that wind farm is necessary -but need to ensure that environmental and other concerns are taken care off. Also - how the benefits are taken and shared by community for the community - eg, cheaper bills.

This in addition to objections at 2 above :- 1. Contribution to the decimation of an area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. 2. This proposed wind farm will contribute 47 turbines to a proposed total of some 99 turbines in an area just 9 x 9 kilometres square. An outrageous number in such a small area. 3.Total lack of contribution or benefit of any description to Struan, never mind the Isle of Skye. 4. Loss in local house price values.

Not enough recompense for the island population - plan is to export many 100 times more electricity than islanders would require - suggest vastly discounted (5-10p per kWh) electricity for whole island. Similar to Iceland population receiving geothermal energy for domestic heating ?

Majority of money is not retained on the island. The amount of work will change the nature of life on the island and most jobs are to off island specialists.

Industrialisation of the Skye landscape will destroy the livelihood of locals especially those working in the tourist industry. I don't expect to go to a built up area with visible construction everywhere to enjoy being outdoors. In the UK there is a big push for OFFshore wind farms yet on Skye it's nothing but onshore. This area has the beauty deserving of a national park status, only because it doesn't have that official status doesn't mean it's free for these outsiders to come in and destroy it for those that live here. There is next to no benefits for us on Skye with these windfarms.

The proposed windfarm is too big for this small region of Skye. The road system is not suitable and it is utterly ridiculous to proposed building a port in this location in order to build it. And I have all of the above concerns, especially environmental impact of the site on the peat moorland and its wildlife and proposed port construction on the marine habitat of Loch Caroy and Loch Bracadale.

Absolutely no need for a development of this scale. We already have way more turbines than this small patch should have to cope with - Ben Aketil and Edinbane repower, together with the already consented Ben Sca, creates too many turbines which will hugely dominate the entire sky line for miles around, damaging house prices, and tourism. The proposed financial benefits for the population of Skye as a whole appear to be nothing more than an insult

In favour of scaled down development with far fewer turbines

Light pollution from the lights on top of the towers.

Effect of such a large windfarm when all the other projects proposed for the area are taken into account.

Lowering home valuation and the potential of not being able to sell the property due to health risks and contamination.

It's mindboggling size, and it is not just that one , there are many others coming

If the number of turbines was 20 max then I would be happy for it to go ahead.

No financial community benefit being provided or offered to local community (other than direct payments to crofters with grazing rights).

Don't mind wind farms on the current scale (which are big enough) but concerned about the size and number of the new proposal

There is no clear nor acceptable compensation package in place for the Struan residents. Therefore I am against the windfarm.

There are so many issues still to be addressed, as it stands no I don't want it, if things change as the community ask for then probably would be for it

Because overall these turbines are not needed, it is overpowering. It also seems that a lot of them will be built for the money paid to them when not generating! if this isn't the worst reason for building them I don't know what is. Also these companies do not care for the communities who get only crumbs from the table. Muirhall actually asked what would be a 'sweetener' to get support for the port!

**Struan Residents – Comments made by those with alternative suggestion on
Community Benefit Payment**

Don't do the wind farm.

There should be an allocation considering individual household owners within Struan, Ullinish, Edinbane, Ose. The fairest approach is that this should be provided in the form of an annual annuity based on turnover or profit. A grander approach to consider is that the entire of NW Skye should receive considerable discount if not free energy for the lifetime of the project prior to its decommissioning/re-energising.

Offer far too low. It should include free electricity to the whole island. Like in Finland.

We do not want more turbines on Skye

I believe the community benefit should be used to provide low cost energy to those living within the area they are situated

Since I am opposed to the wind farm it seems wrong to comment on money provided to the communities as no amount of money could make up for the destruction of the moorland habitat and disruption to the wildlife or the impact on the marine habitat by the proposed port. Not to mention the impact a windfarm of this size will have on the view of the landscape in this relatively unspoilt corner of Skye. It is the wrong project in the wrong place.

Answer very difficult without knowing the anticipated annual output (MW p.a.)

Should be greater percentage to Struan, 60% at least.

I believe those living nearest the development should receive compensation.

60% Struan 40% near neighbours

These developers will be making more than £1million profit /turbine/year, the monies to the local communities are nowhere near enough.....the developers should donate one wind turbine /10 turbines built to the community for it's good and build 10 affordable homes/ windfarm, fix the roads.....

the community should not get any money- no letters of support were sent.

Assuming the port goes ahead then the Skye wide fund should be 10%, Near Neighbours 40% and Struan 60% as the main disruption to the rest of the Island will massively decrease and most of the port impact will be on Struan.

Free electricity for all "near neighbour " communities

divide equally among communities

Skye badly needs medical equipment like a CT scanner and the costs of maintaining it. Folk who have strokes can't get the clottbusting treatment if appropriate as they can't get a scan within the 3 hour timeframe.

50% struan, 40% edinbane, dunvegan, skeabost, braes, Portree and longish, 10%skye wide fund