

## Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) renewal consultation 2019

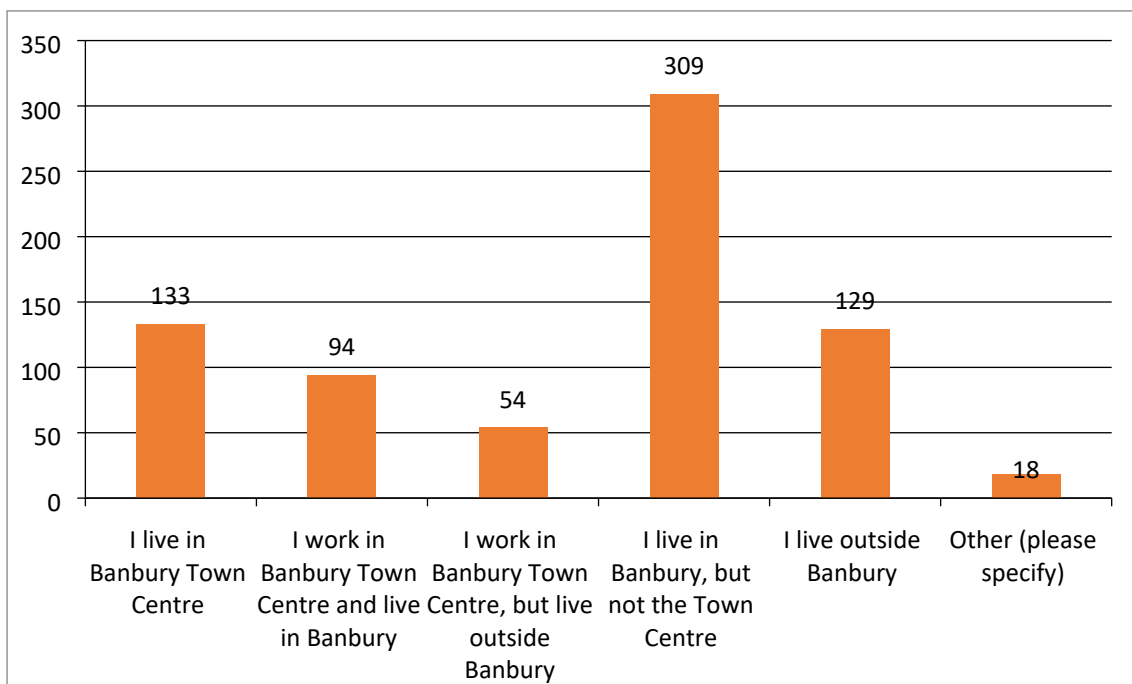
### Overview

- The survey took place between 5<sup>th</sup> August and 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019.
- The survey was carried out primarily online via the link: [https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/PSPO\\_Renewal\\_Consultation](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/PSPO_Renewal_Consultation) but some submissions were made
- A total of 738 responses were received

### Summary of results

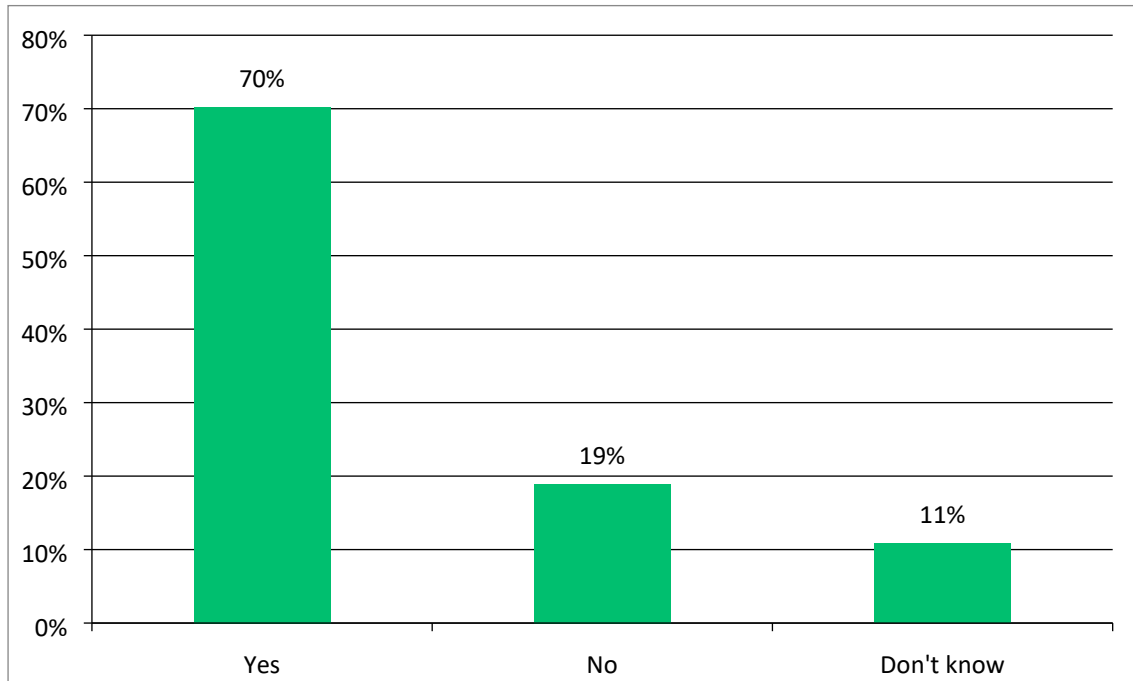
#### Location of respondents:

Total of 737 responses (1 skipped this question)



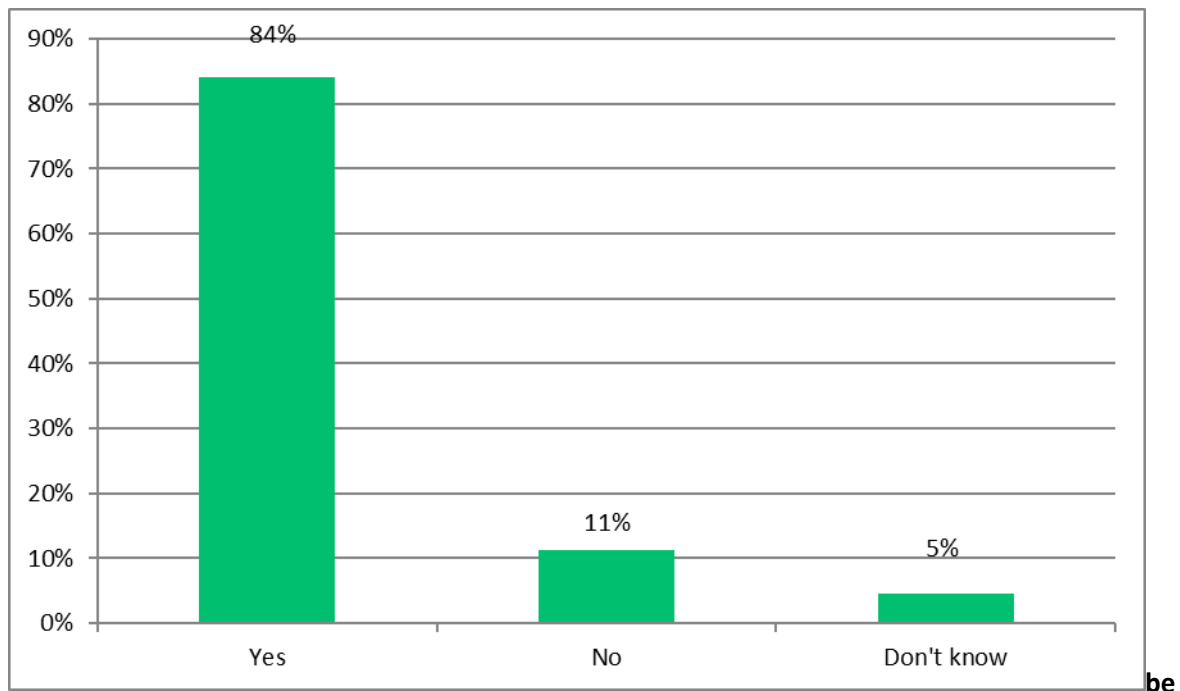
## Begging

Do you think begging is still a problem in Banbury Town Centre?



- 719 people answered this question (19 skipped this question)
  - 505 said 'yes'
  - 136 said 'no'
  - 78 'didn't know'

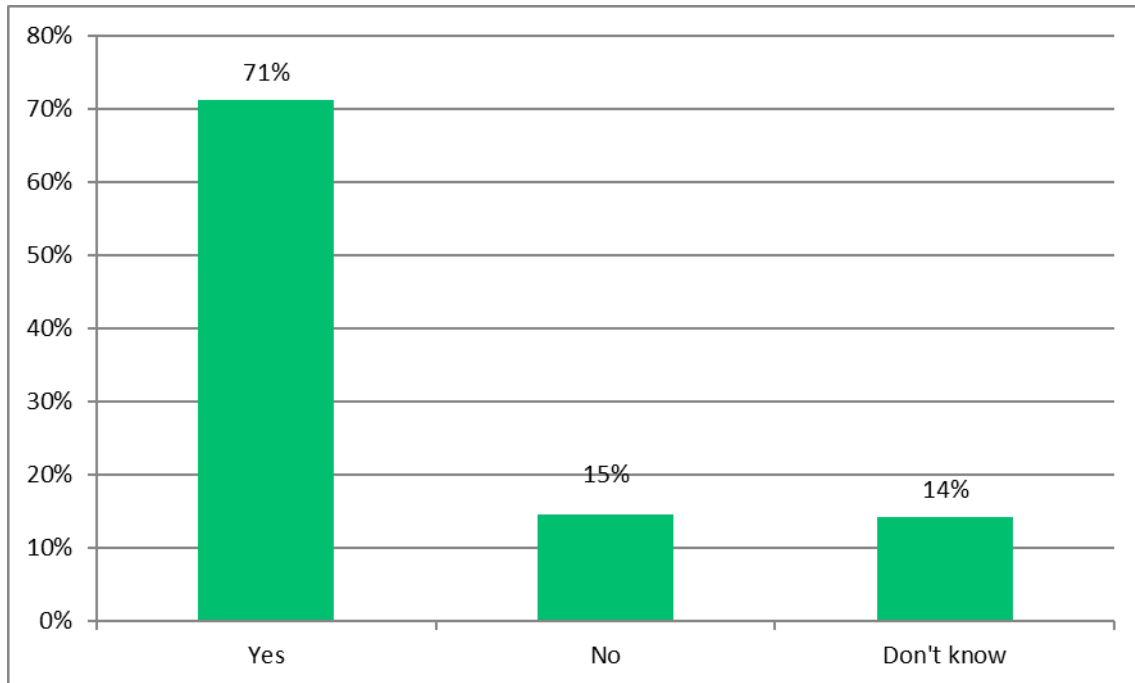
**Should the PSPO renewed to continue to prohibit begging in Banbury Town Centre?**



- 717 people answered this question (21 skipped this question)
  - 603 said 'yes'
  - 81 said 'no'
  - 33 'didn't know'

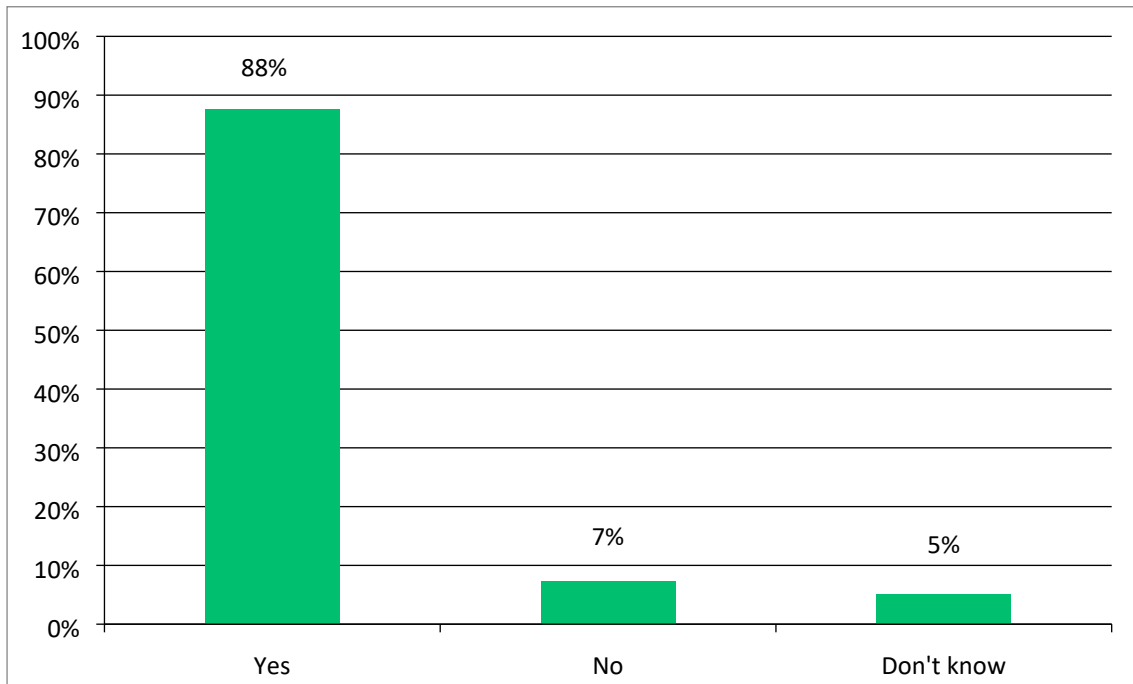
## Street Drinking

Do you think street drinking is still a problem in Banbury Town Centre?



- 710 people answered this question (28 skipped this question)
  - 506 said 'yes'
  - 103 said 'no'
  - 101 'didn't know'

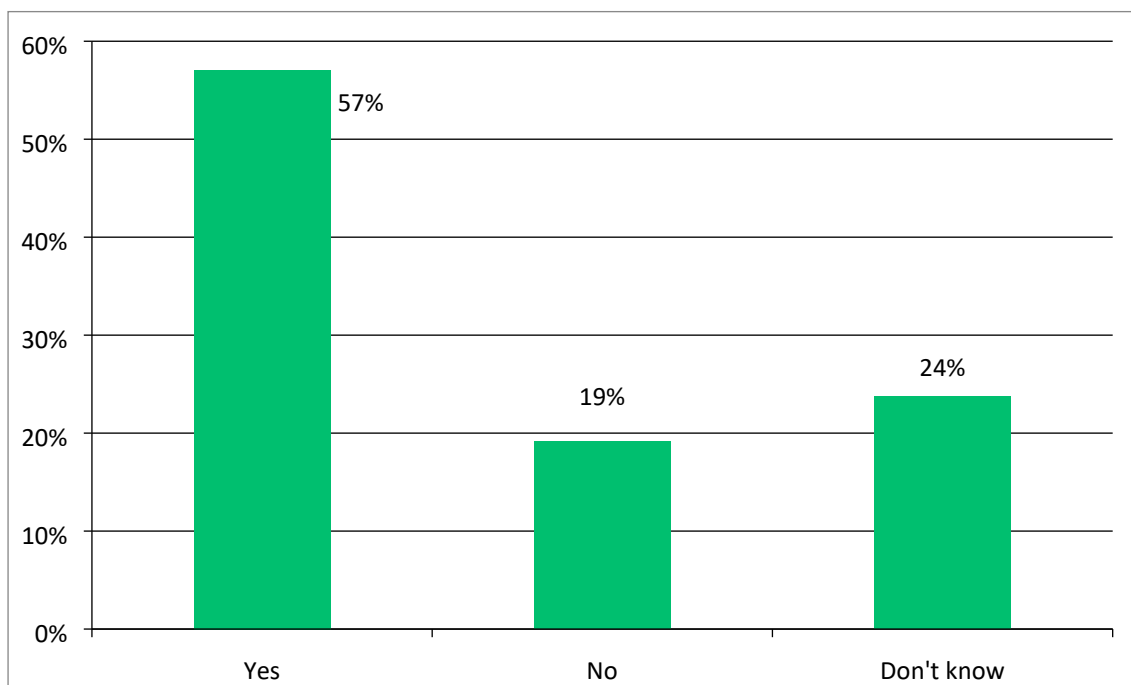
**Should the PSPO renewed to continue to prohibit street drinking in Banbury Town Centre?**



- 707 people answered this question (31 skipped this question)
  - 619 said 'yes'
  - 52 said 'no'
  - 36 'didn't know'

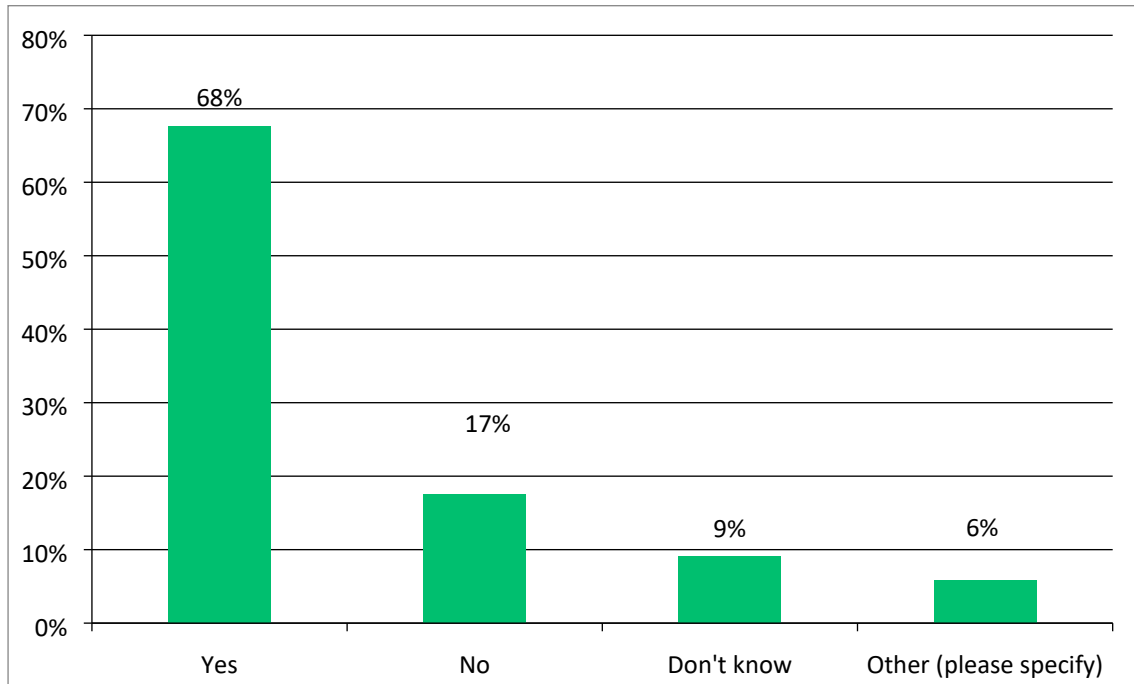
## Rough Sleeping

Do you think rough sleeping is still a problem in Banbury Town Centre?



- 694 people answered this question (44 skipped this question)
  - 396 said 'yes'
  - 133 said 'no'
  - 165 'didn't know'

**Should the PSPO be renewed to continue to prohibit rough sleeping in Banbury Town Centre?**



- 686 people answered this question (52 skipped this question)
  - 464 said 'yes'
  - 120 said 'no'
  - 62 'didn't know'
  - 40 stated 'other'

## Open Commentary Analysis

Respondents were asked to add in any other comments they had about begging, street drinking and rough sleeping in Banbury Town Centre. Below the analysis of that free text including common themes and concerns, using a word cloud allow us to visualise the most repeated words and extract the main themes emerging from all the comments. These themes can be viewed in conjunction with the survey results (above).

There is a positive response in general about the renewal of the Public Spaces Protection Order, residents and workers of Banbury Town centre agreed that the order has been effective but there's still a long way to go specially in certain areas of the town centre with a high incidence of begging and street drinking.

After going through all the open commentary responses, we can observe clearly defined common themes and areas of concern for residents and workers in the town centre. The top for common concerns are the following:

1. Street drinking and begging at St. Mary's Church yard, White Lion walk entrance, top of the High Street and outside of Tesco's Express, residents find the groups of people that gather in these areas intimidating.
2. Calling for more support to prevent homelessness and help for residents with drug and alcohol abuse problems as a way to tackle to root cause of the issue.
3. Feeling unsafe at night in the town centre, specially around Tesco's Express and People's Park.
4. Concerns about the issues moving somewhere else in town when enforcement is applied in the town centre.

