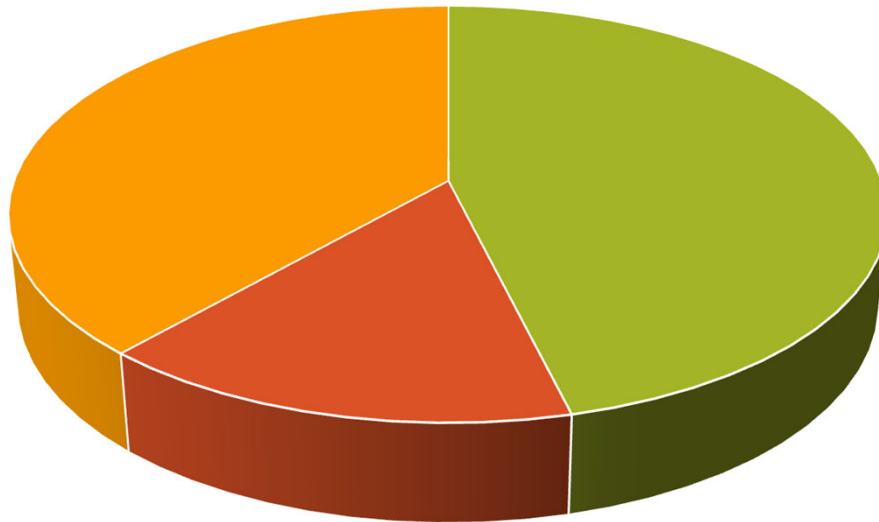


# MAKI AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

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Partner Attendance Survey Results

Q1. What would be your preferred method of attending meetings?

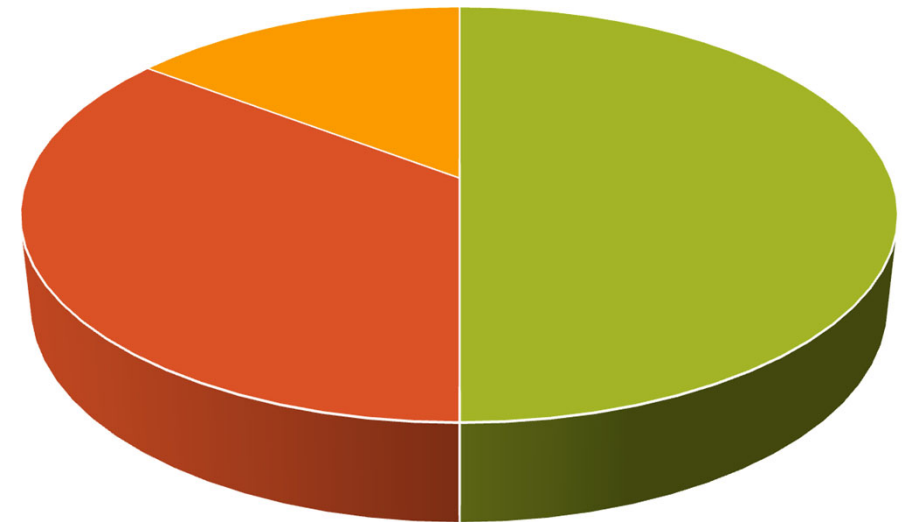


■ Virtually (12) ■ Face-to-Face (4) ■ Either (10)

Other Comments:

1. The meetings are too big, too far away and if your broadband speed is very slow, virtual meetings are out of the question.

Q2. What would be your preferred time for attending meetings?

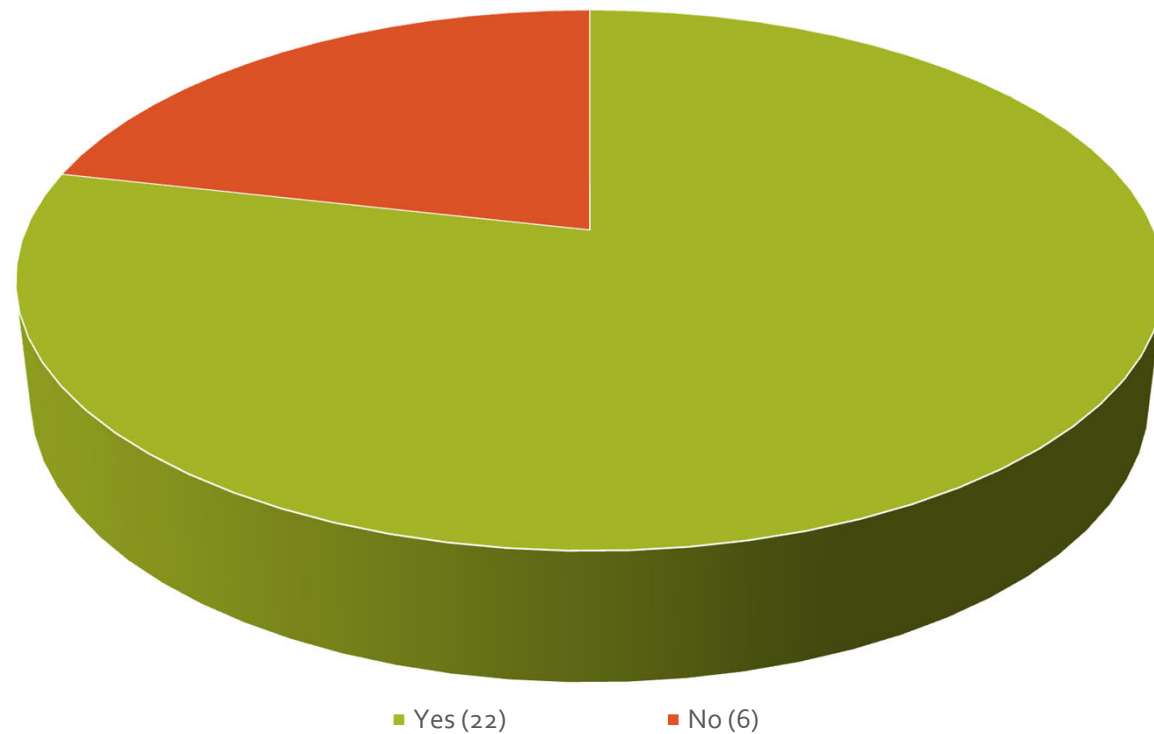


■ Morning (17) ■ Afternoon (12) ■ Evening (5)

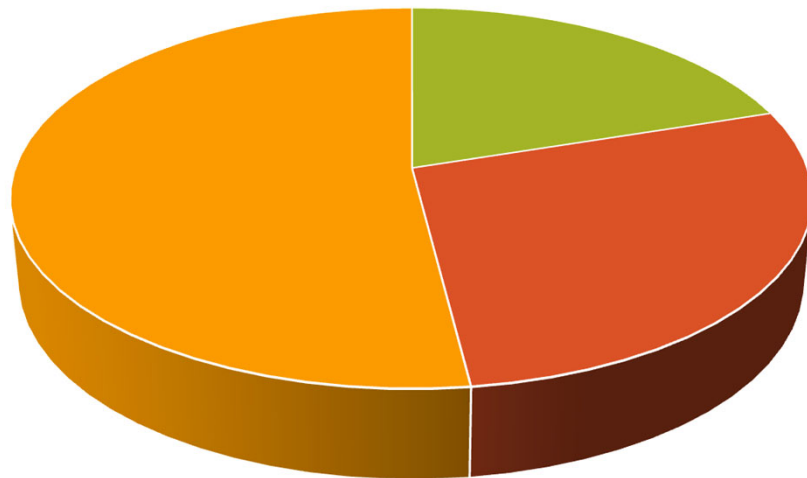
Other Comments:

1. I'd make every effort to attend.  
2. Morning 11am onwards; afternoon finishing at 4pm; evening starting at 6.30pm.

Q3. Historically Group meetings have moved around and been held in different parts of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands area, for future meetings would you be happy to attend meetings virtually if all meetings were to be held at a central location?



Q4. Please tick any statements below which are applicable to your ability to attend the meetings.

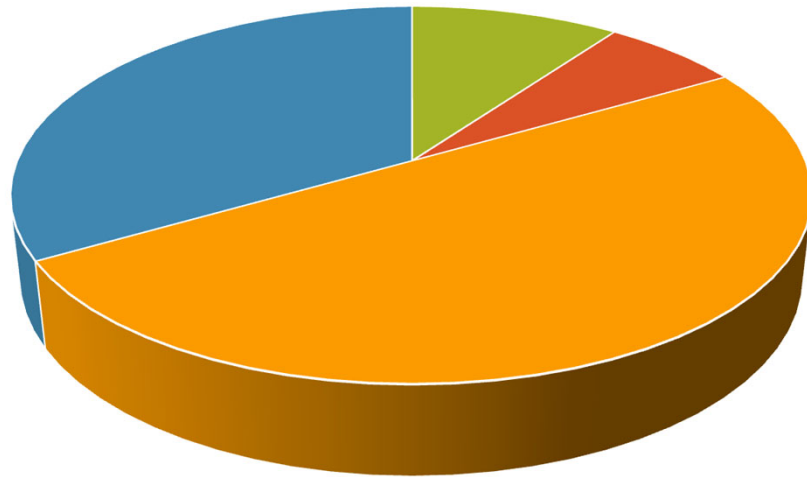


- I am unable to attend the meetings at their regularly scheduled time. (5)
- I am unable to attend the meetings due to competing priorities. (7)
- I am happy with the current meeting arrangements. (13)

#### Other Comments:

- I would make every effort to attend
- Distance to meetings a problem
- Not sure when the meetings are
- I have followed the minutes for about a year and a half. The lowest importance is our community groups. Community organisation reports are recognised and filed - that is all. At the last meeting, virtual there was only 1 unpaid worker there representing Islay CC.
- Agenda and meeting too long
- I can attend as long as my work commitments allow
- F2F involves a full day due to travel
- Difficulties with Skype, prefer MS Teams or Zoom

Q5. Please tick any statements below which are applicable to your interest in attending the meetings.

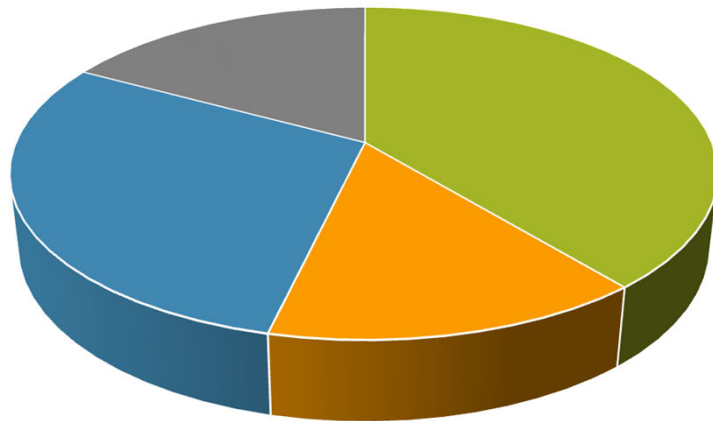


- I do not feel that the meetings are of interest or benefit to me/my organisation. (3)
- I am not interested in attending the meetings. (2)
- I feel that the meetings are of interest or benefit to me/my organisation. (15)
- I am interested in attending the meetings. (10)

#### Other Comments:

- Helpful if attendees bring information from their community to make the meetings more relevant
- Some items are area specific and not relevant/of interest to all attendees. However where items relate to the whole of MAKI it is important that all have a voice
- Very little ever gets done it is all talk
- There are 4 ACPGs; officers attending ACPG often have to listen to the same updates they've already heard at other meetings. Also, the length of meetings eats into a lot of working time.
- The meetings are of interest albeit not always fully relevant to our organisation
- I am interested in attending, but sometimes the agenda is just too big, and not all of it is relevant to my organisation
- I don't know if I can attend the whole meeting every time

Q6. Please tick any statements below which are relevant to your views on the length and agendas of the meetings.

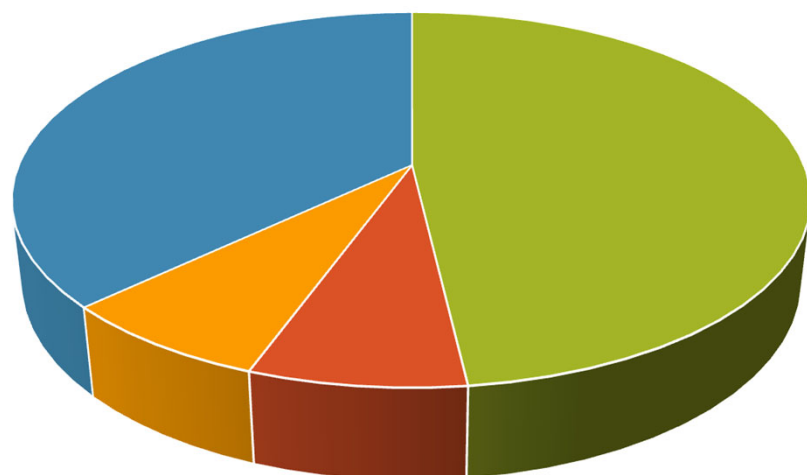


- I feel that the meetings are usually too long. (16)
- I feel that the meetings are usually too short. (0)
- I am happy with the usual length of the meetings. (6)
- I feel that there are usually too many items on the meeting agenda. (12)
- I feel that there are usually not enough items on the meeting agenda. (0)
- I am happy with the usual meeting agenda length. (7)

### Other Comments:

- Nobody concentrates for more than 1.5 hours. The meetings are far too long and so are the minutes. I do however read the minutes.
- The agendas can be pretty full and it might be helpful to share information prior to the meeting
- Recently started role as secretary for CC so will start joining meetings.
- Would be happy with the length and content if they were virtual as this eliminates the travel.

Q7. Please tick any statements below which are relevant to your views on the way in which information is shared with Group members.

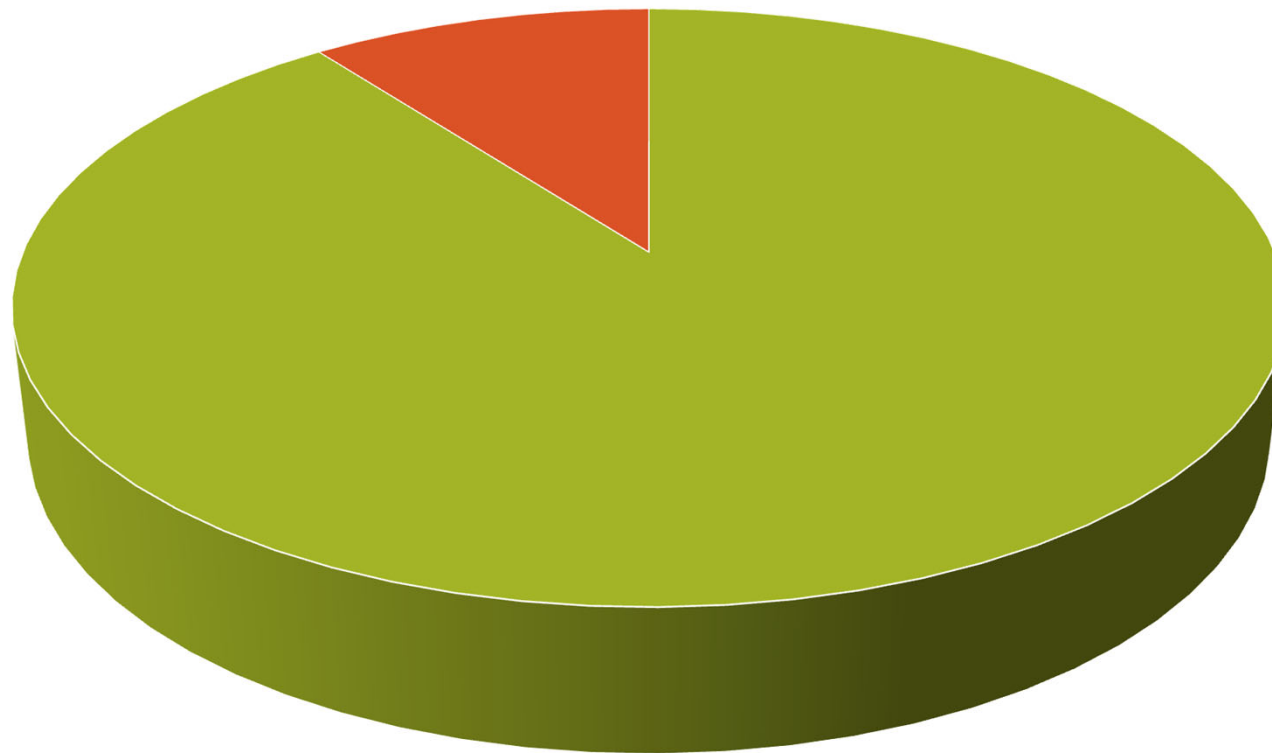


- I would prefer that more information was circulated via e-mail than discussed at meetings. (13)
- I would prefer that more information was circulated via Basecamp than discussed at meetings. (2)
- I would prefer that less information was circulated via e-mail or Basecamp, and was instead discussed at meetings. (2)
- I am happy with the current way information is circulated and discussed. (10)

### Other Comments:

- Not attended a meeting yet.
- Happy (ish)
- Just shorter meetings with fewer speakers
- I only read the information relevant to my community and organisations.
- The administration is always very good

Q8. If changes were made to meeting arrangements to meet your requirements, would you be likely to attend future meetings of the Group?



■ Yes (26)   ■ No (3)



Q9. Please provide us with any other relevant information which you would like us to consider or any suggestions you may have to improve attendance at these meetings.

- Relevant information for our communities and organisations
- Presentations should be much more concise. Audio meetings are not conducive to active participation.
- Meetings need a strong Chair, the most recent meeting was fine but some previous meeting have been too long with individual contributors talking for too long and proceedings not been moved on timeously.
- Perhaps a general updates session where reports that are the same for all areas could be discussed once instead of 4 times would cut down meeting time and increase attendance
- In order for the meetings to be of interest to me, a volunteer representative of at least 2 community organisations in my area there needs a commitment from the paid attendees to make contact with community groups outside the meeting. Other wise it is just a talking shop. MAKI Community Planning meetings have completely lost the "community" aspect of their work. Where are our community development workers? The larger the meeting the less impact. It will feed in information to this meeting possibly via local councillor or as a report but it is not a good use of my time to attend.

## Q9. Please provide us with any other relevant information which you would like us to consider or any suggestions you may have to improve attendance at these meetings (continued)

- Offer a keynote speaker
- As I now cover all of Argyll and Bute and West Dunbartonshire, personal attendance will be too much within the working day. Virtual meetings moving forward would be my preference.
- I would like to see, when we can, the historical movement of meeting around the area.
- Thank you for reaching out and for the meetings. The couple I have attended I found very valuable and well run.
- As a volunteer I have certain amount of my time that I can allocate to the community volunteering part of my life. I do this gladly and willingly but it is not infinite. This year we have managed a large grant and food scheme through Comm Support Fund and are now managing Comm Recovery Projects. Investigating and learning Teams and then Zoom etc. etc. It just means that we are all tired and busy and I didn't have the energy to also spend an hour or two on the MAKI CPG. This is not a comment on the way they are run or the agenda.
- I find it confusing as to how various organisations fit together. If there is a confusion it just puts me off a little from engaging.

## Q9. Please provide us with any other relevant information which you would like us to consider or any suggestions you may have to improve attendance at these meetings (continued)

- My understanding is that the meetings are only audio. Would it not be preferable to have a video/audio link using zoom? I think this could give a better feeling in terms of being part of the discussions?
- Would it be possible to cover the Agenda items in such a way that not everyone was required to be in attendance throughout the duration of the meeting? eg first items could be those in which all communities have an interest, then cover specific items area by area?
- Speakers could have a time limited period in which to make their presentations?
- These are very difficult times for all committees to hold meaningful meetings but it is important that business continues as best as it possibly can and as there is no immediate sign of any relaxation of rules I think virtual meetings are here for a while.
- This wasn't a particularly good survey - simply asking the same questions in a slightly different each time
- Virtual meetings please, preferably using teams if possible
- Keeping them to the same number per year would be fine

Q10. Thank you for completing this survey. If you are no longer the correct contact for your organisation, or you no longer wish to receive updates in relation to this Group, please provide your e-mail address below and we will arrange to remove your details from our distribution list. If you would like your contact information to be replaced with the contact information of another member of your organisation, please also provide their contact details.

- Apologises for low attendance laterally, I have had to step out recently due to home-schooling or personal parental nursing issues. I will in future try to arrange a director to take up the meetings if possible.