

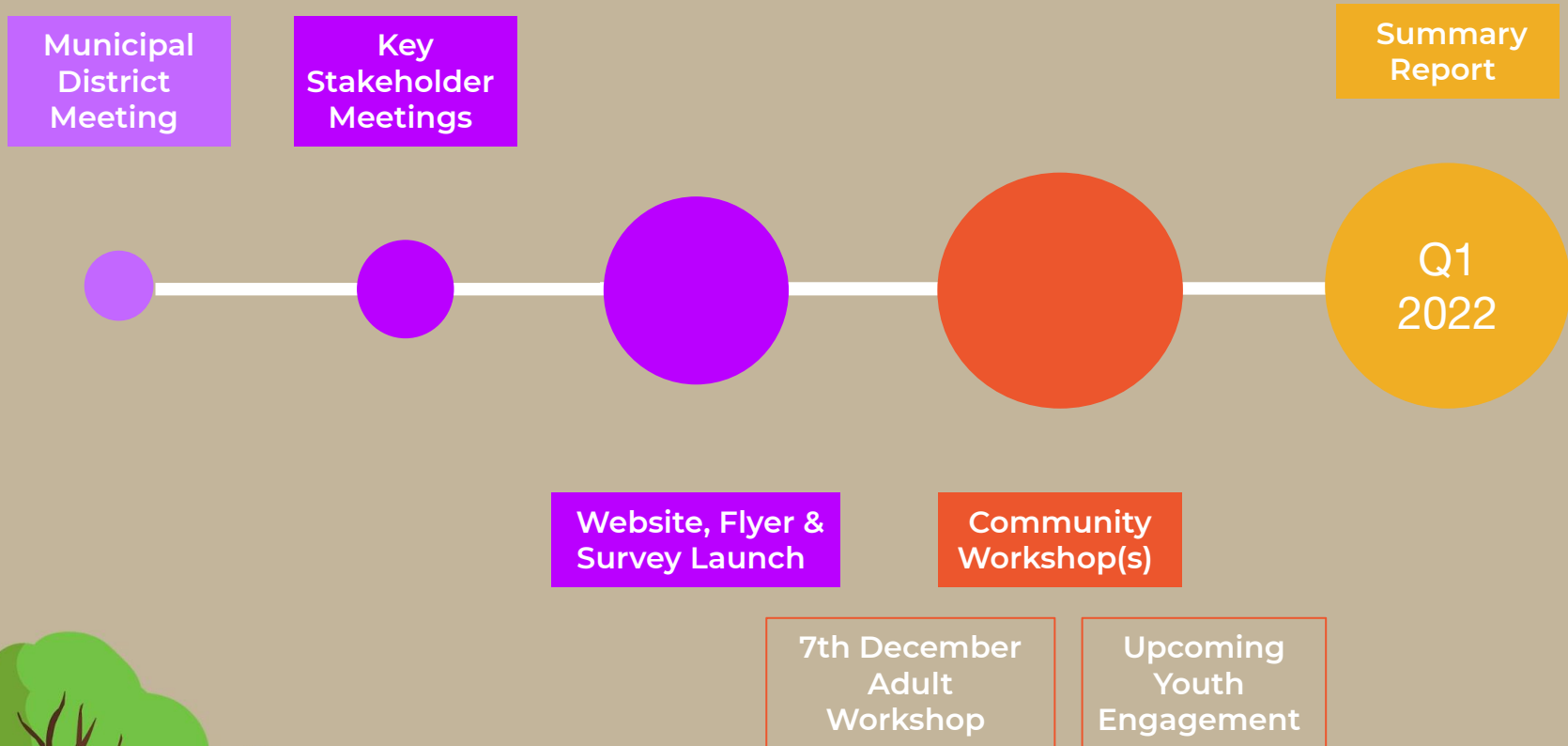
# Swan River Greenway

## Community Workshop 7th December 2021

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Connect the Dots



# Community Engagement Programme



# Our Goals for this Engagement Process

- To engage a diverse mix of residents within the boundary line of the project – those that live and work within the area and the connected services (schools, shops etc.)
- To give clear and transparent information about the project, its intentions and desired outcomes
- To incorporate insights from the lived experience of local residents and community members into the design of the final project, wherever possible
- To execute a safe consultation and engagement process within any Covid19 requirements and restrictions



# Feedback vs Feed In



# Key Stakeholder Meetings

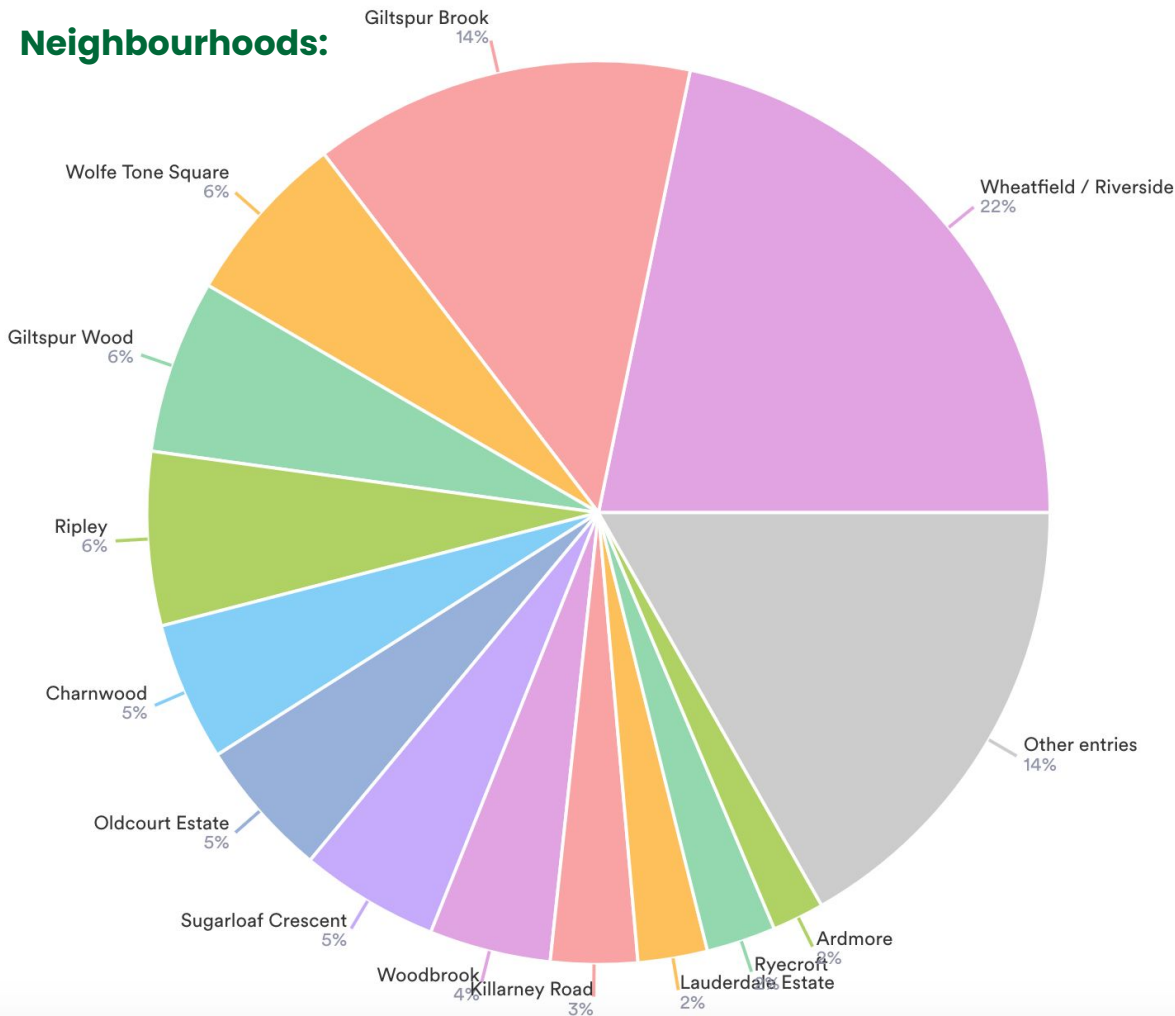
- Elected Representatives
- Residents Groups
  - Ex: Giltspur Brook; Wheatfield/Riverside; Sugarloaf Crescent; Glenlucan
- Community Groups:
  - Ex: Wicklow PPN; Bray Tidy Towns; Medieval Bray; Oldcourt Family Resource Centre; Biodiversity Bray; Others
- Local Schools Meeting
- An Garda Síochána
- Youth Group Coordinators
  - Wolfe Tone Youth Club; Ballywaltrim; Wicklow Comhairle na nÓg
- Disability Groups
  - Disability Federation Ireland



# Community Survey Overview

- 230 submissions to date (open until December 13th!)

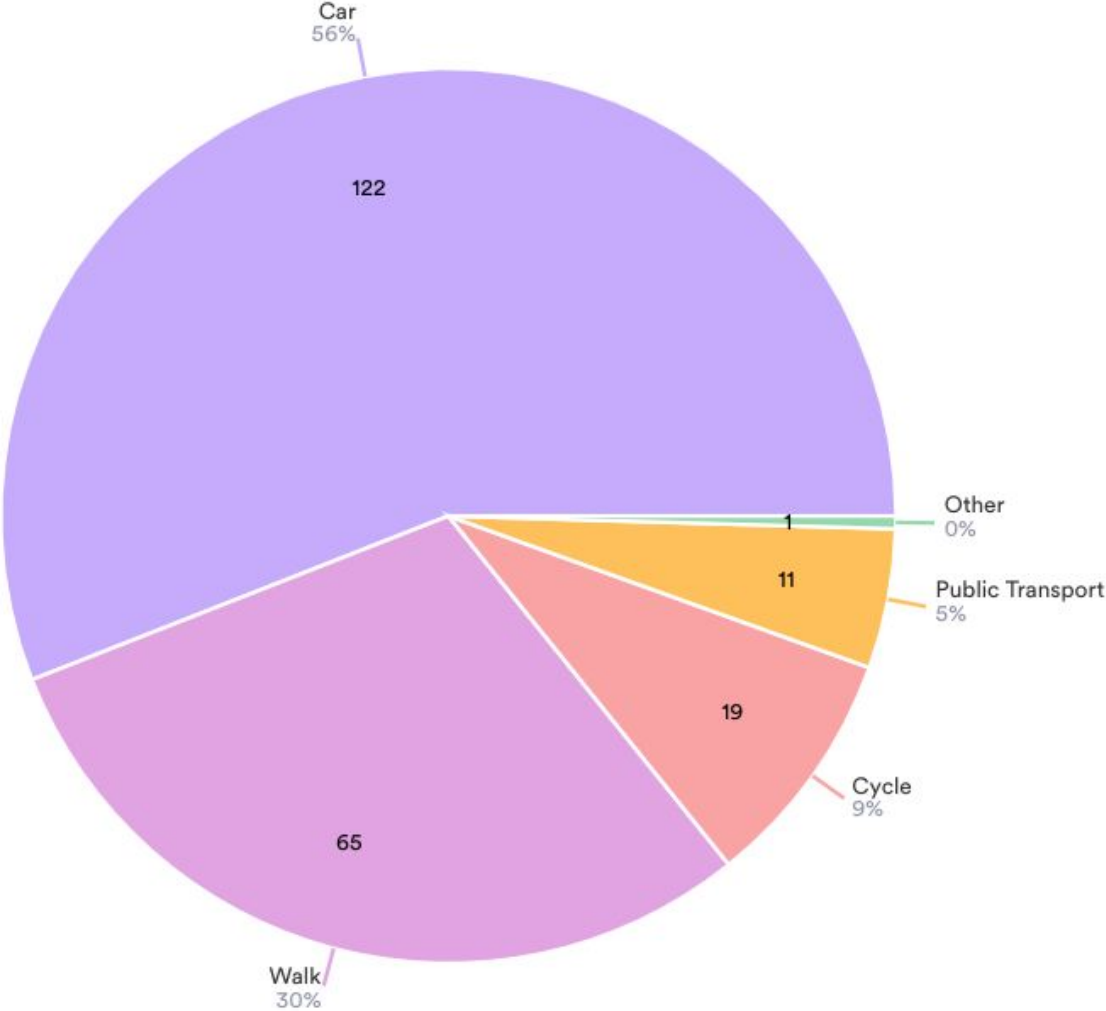
## Neighbourhoods:



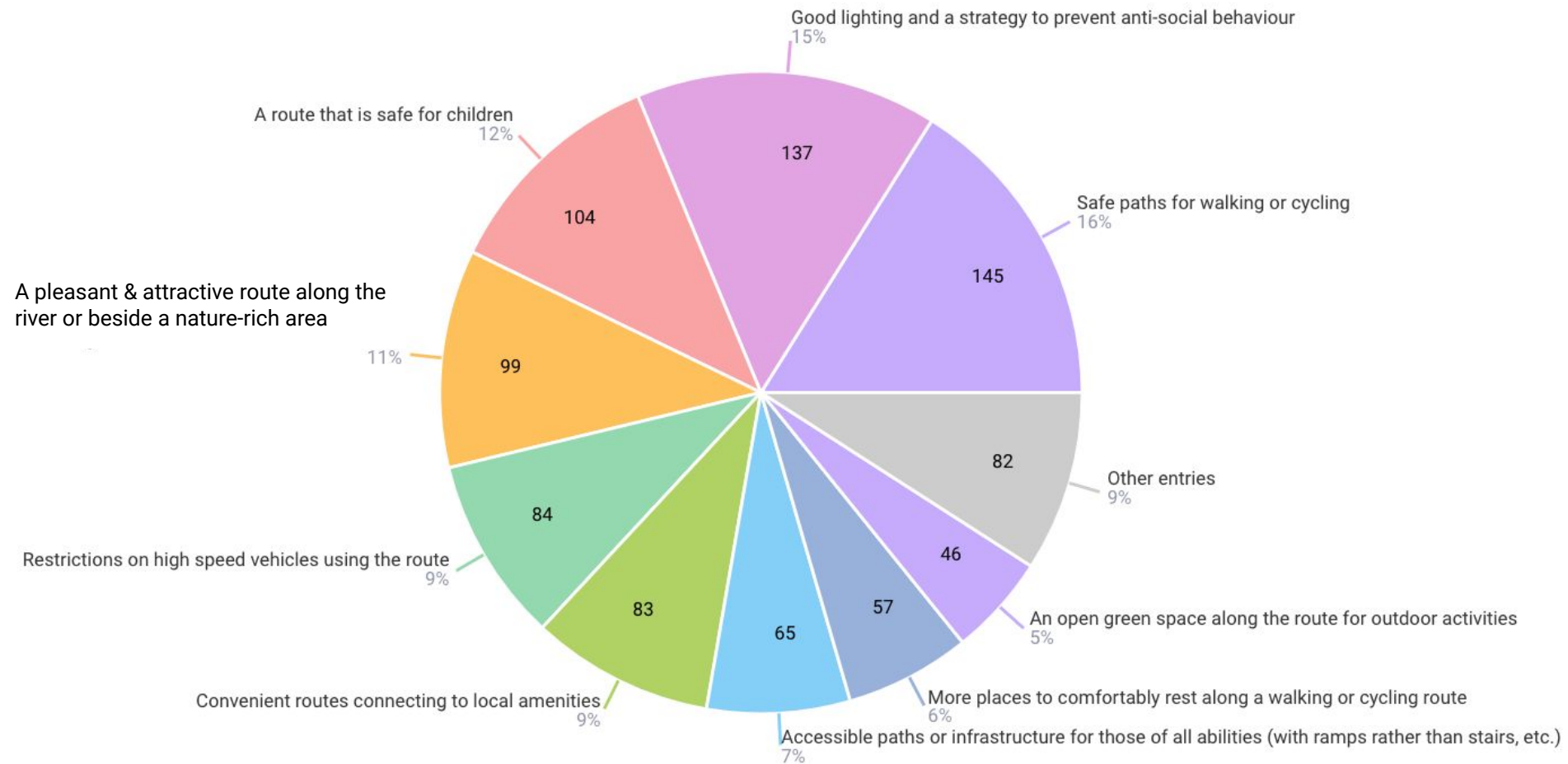
## Members of the following community groups & organisations (& more):

- Queen of Peace Parish; St Fergal's Parish; Christ Church
- Wolfe Tone Youth Club; Ballywaltrim CC; Bray & Connect Youth Service; Outdoor Adventure Club; Scouts
- Wolfe Tone, Ardmore Rovers, Bray Wanderers FCs; Bray Emmets GAA
- RAs: Giltspur Brook, Glenlucan, Sugarloaf Crescent; Ryecroft
- Oldcourt Estate Forum
- Bray Family Resource DP
- Sunbeam House Services
- Bray Tidy Towns; Bray Wheelers; Bray Sailing Club; Bray Hockey Club
- Biodiversity Bray; Trees for Wicklow; Swan River Group
- Bray Community Addiction Team
- Bray Chamber; Several Local Businesses

# Most frequent form of transport?

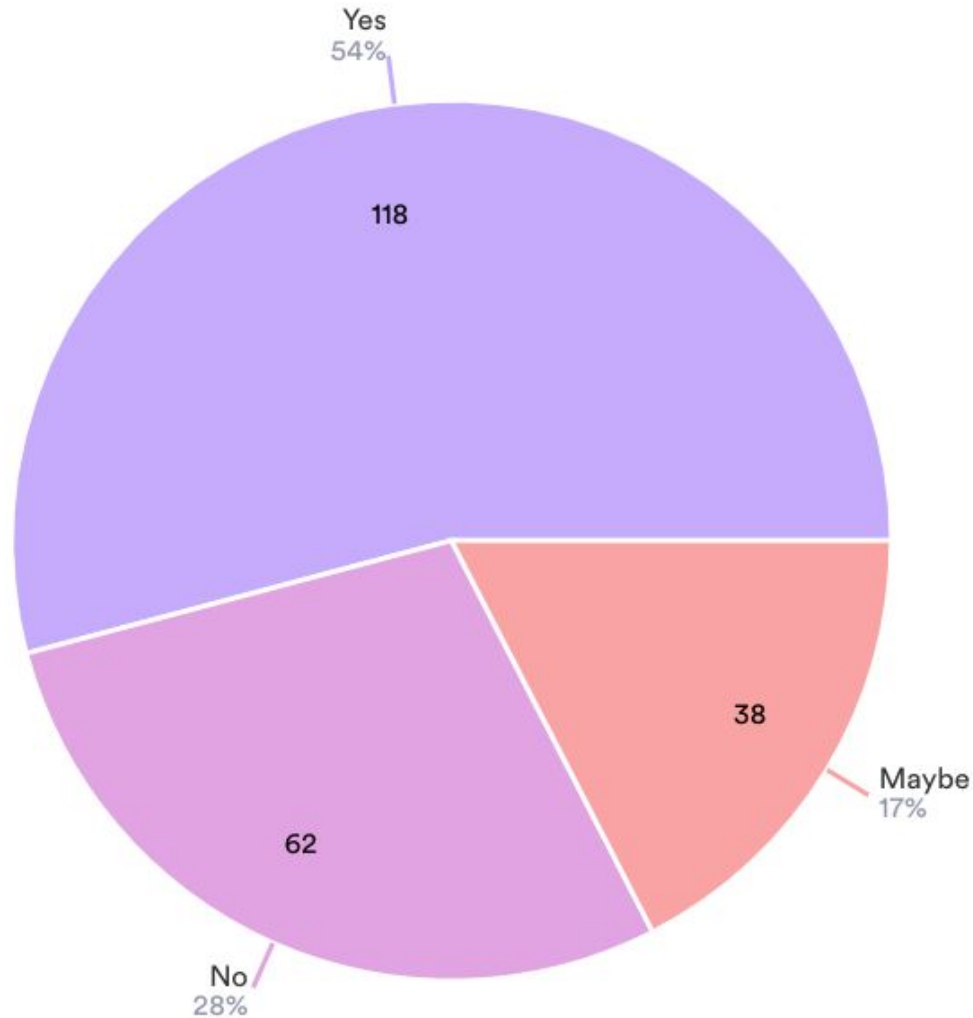


# What would encourage more walking and cycling in the area?

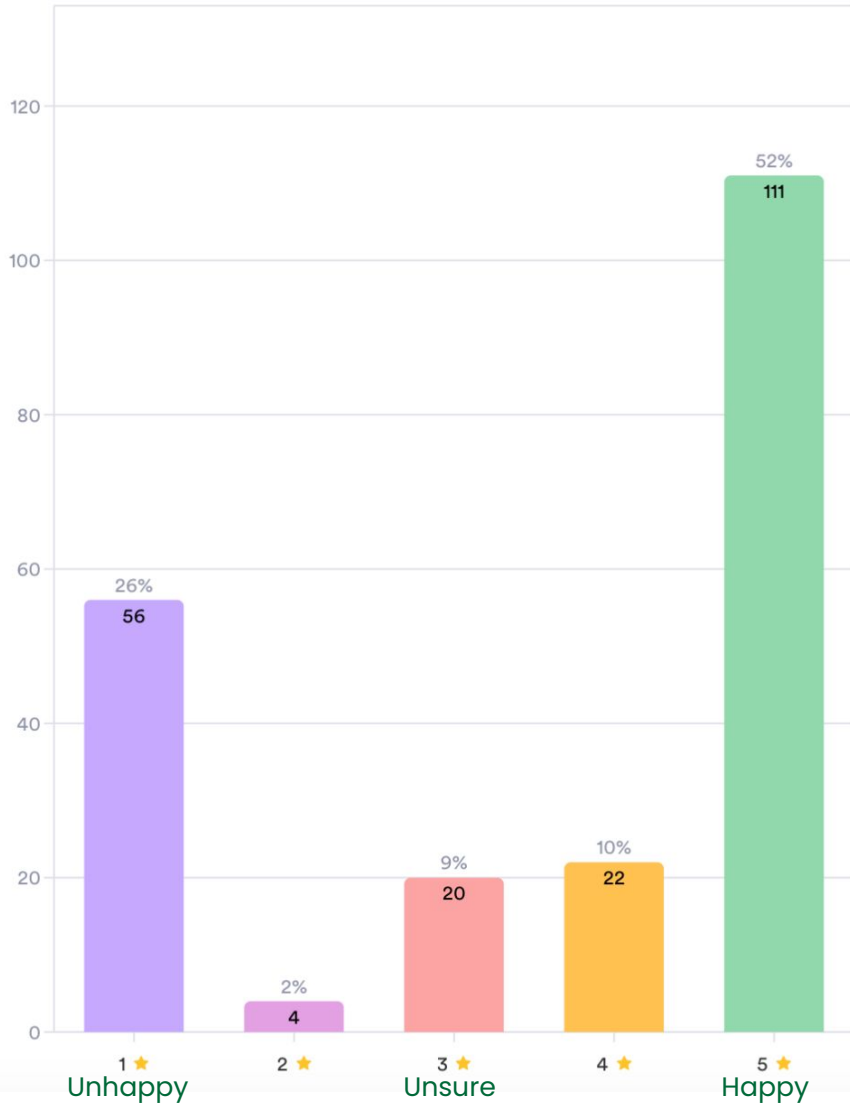




# Would a Greenway along the Swan River make you more likely to walk or cycle?

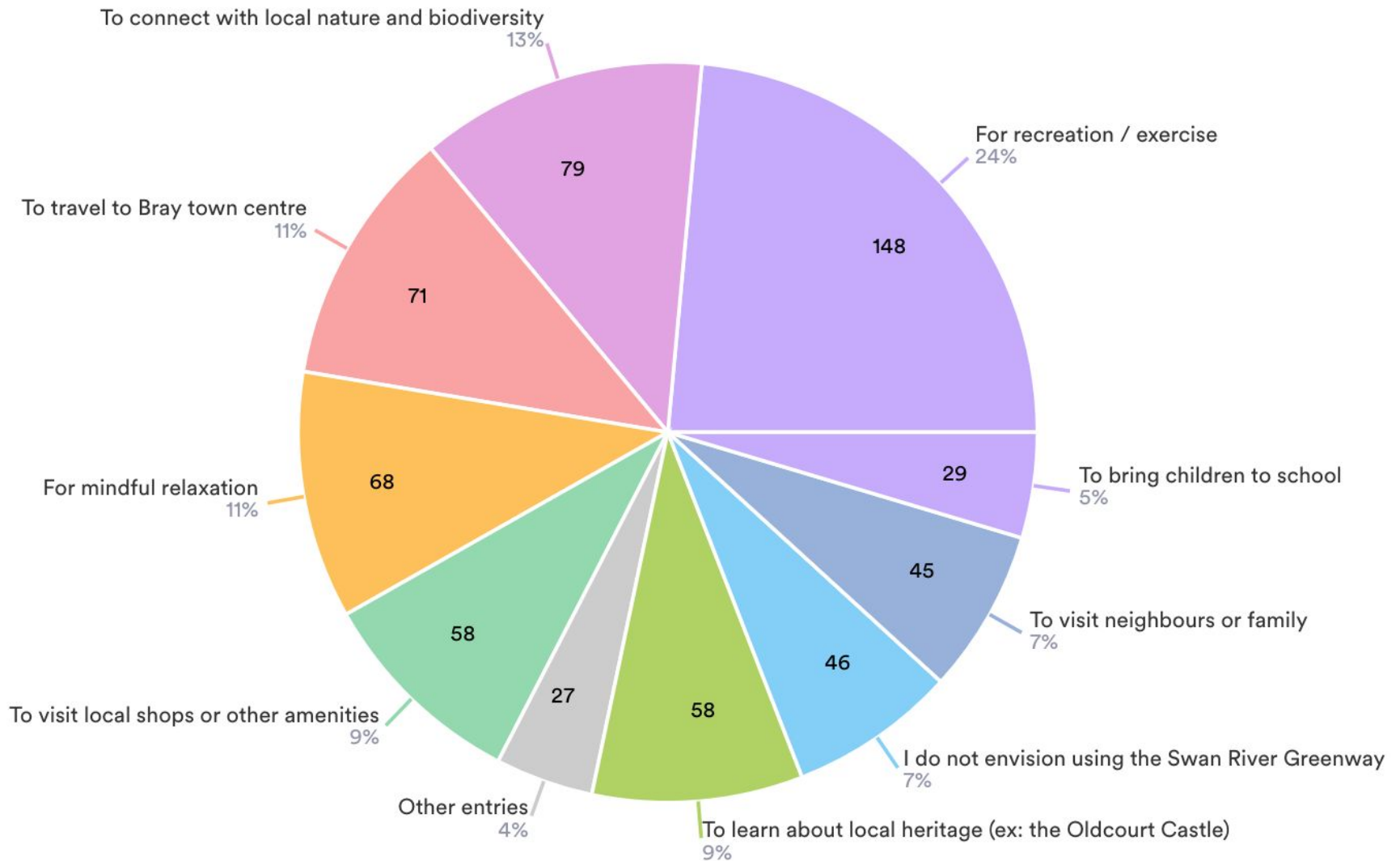


# How do you feel about having a Greenway in your area?



Data	Response	%
★☆☆☆☆	56	26%
★★☆☆☆	4	2%
★★★☆☆	20	9%
★★★★☆	22	10%
★★★★★	111	52%

# How would you use the Swan River Greenway?



# Concerns about the Proposed Scheme?

<b>Frequent Topic Areas</b>	<b>Representative Quotes</b>
Long Term Maintenance	"I would have concerns about ongoing maintenance of the completed greenway and whose responsibility this would be."
Safety & Risks of Anti-Social Behaviour	"Anti social behaviour. Increased noise level. Increased footfall. Feeling it would be too unsafe to let my child play in the area proposed."  "Important to ensure as many people as possible feel a sense of ownership so it does not become a no go area"
Nature & Wildlife Impact	"Any developments which threaten biodiversity - lighting, alien plant and tree species, etc."  "It should not impact on existing river and should be set back from the Swan River to protect water"
Route Connectivity	"I think connectivity should be pushed as far as possible to facilitate pedestrian traffic between Killarney and Vevay."  "Opening our estate to be very vulnerable to crime. We have had issues with this over the years."

# Describe an ideal future Swan River Greenway

<b>Frequent Topic Areas</b>	<b>Representative Quotes</b>
Well Used & Appreciated	"An oasis used by all people of the town, residents and visitors. And a great example for others to follow."
Safe & Pleasant Space	"A safe and pleasant amenity for people of all ages and ability that provides connectivity and recreation."  "I would love for it to be recognised around the country as a way to create a safe area for families that eliminated unsocial behaviour"
Connection to Nature	"A beautiful, peaceful river walk with a clever design driven by recognition for nurturing biodiversity and native flora"
Functional Route	"A place to reconnect with nature, on the way to work."  "Hopefully it would bring down the amount of air pollution as people wouldn't find the need to drive around Bray now that it is easier to get from A to B"
Unconvinced of Value	"I suggest it is not developed without significant protections as per previously noted concerns"  "I hope to say it was completed but nowhere near the Riverside estate"

# Workshop Discussion Topics

