

# Community Asset Transfer

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The following charts are restricted to the top 12 codes. Lists are restricted to the most recent 100 rows.

## Are you responding as



## Are you a resident of Exeter?



## Are you involved in any local community group?



## Please specify

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Member of Topsham Community Association, Topsham Museum and Topsham Community Tennis

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Bury meadow

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Ludwell Life

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Exeter City Life Church, Stoke Hill Community Association, Stoke Hill PTFA

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Local community/composting group in Castle Mount

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Exeter Community Energy, Topsham Community Association

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Exeter Drama Company

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St Thomas Together. St Thomas Community Association.

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Cowick Wellbeinbg Hub

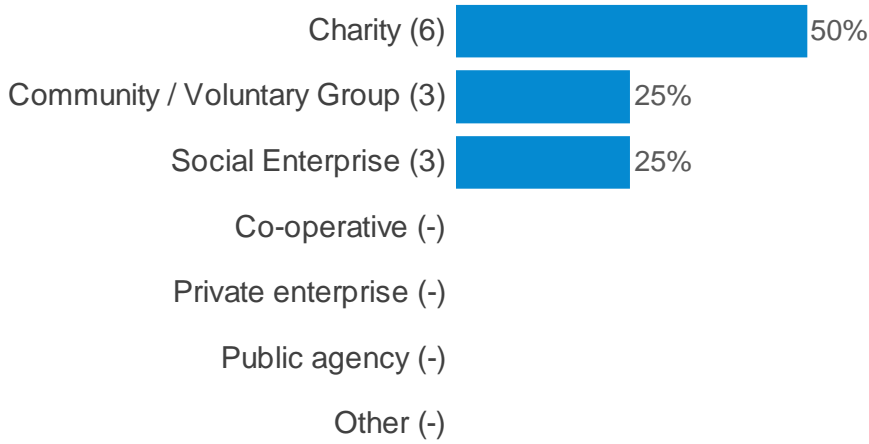
**Name of your organisation**

- Freemoovement
- Park Life Heavitree
- Estuary League of Friends
- The Nest Southwest Community Interest Company
- Exeter Community Alliance
- Wonford Community and Learning Centre Ltd
- Alphington Community Association
- Isca Community Enterprises
- Topsham Community Association
- Exeter Respect Clc
- Newcourt Community Association
- Wood for Good Exeter

**If the organisation is based in, or delivering in Exeter please give a full post code?**

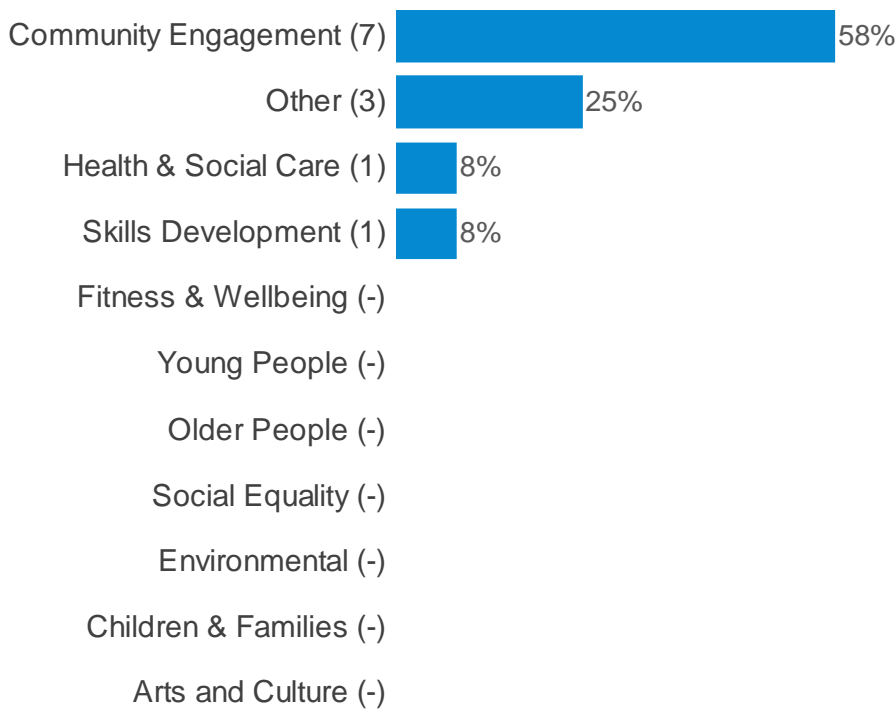
ex2 9ej	EX2 8UP
EX13DS	EX4 8LZ
EX3 0DX	EX3 0HF
EX4 8LZ	Exeter
No premises yet. Current hq is EX6 6LQ	E2 7FN
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**How would you best describe the type of organisation you represent?**

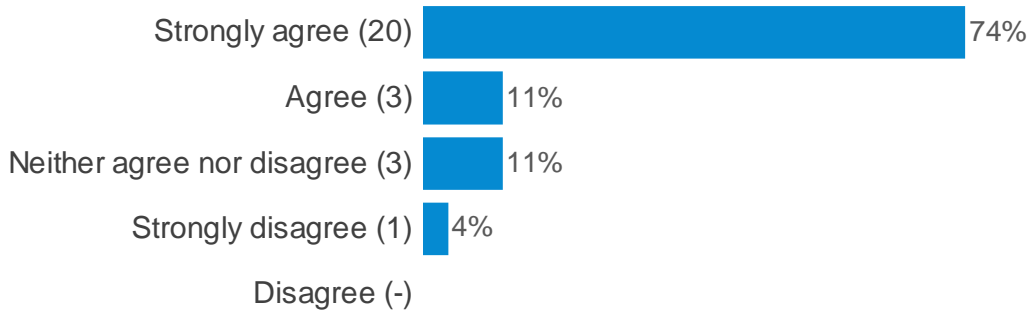


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**How would you best describe the type of work and purpose your organisation?**



**To what extent do you agree that Exeter City Council should have a Community Asset Transfer Policy in place?**



**Please add any comments you wish to make**

This is about cost saving, and not delivering good public service.

More greenery, protect green spaces from development

Is this basically a money saving exercise? What safeguards are there should the recipient organisations fail to deliver the stated aims of

It is really important a CAT policy is in place to make it easier, especially for organic or start up or informal community groups to play

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If a facility is available for a community group to manage, it may sometime need the support of the City Council to navigate through some

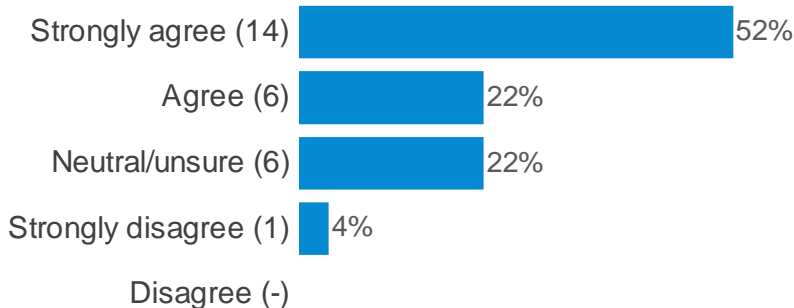
A policy makes the process transparent

Community type providers are in a good place to take on community assets and run them for their community - but not to be entered into lig

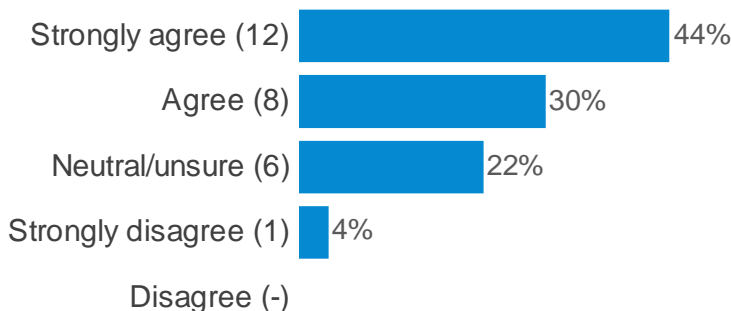
Not sure about it, in one hand it is good idea, however the risk is the access to those building, if is run by one origination then this m

as long as these buildings then do not become a closed shop life long lease / ring fenced rent funded -restricting others / new organisati

**For each following nine statements of benefit, please indicate to what extent you think the policy, when implemented, has the potential to help to deliver each of them. (See section 6.2 of the draft policy) (Improve wellbeing & reduce social isolation)**

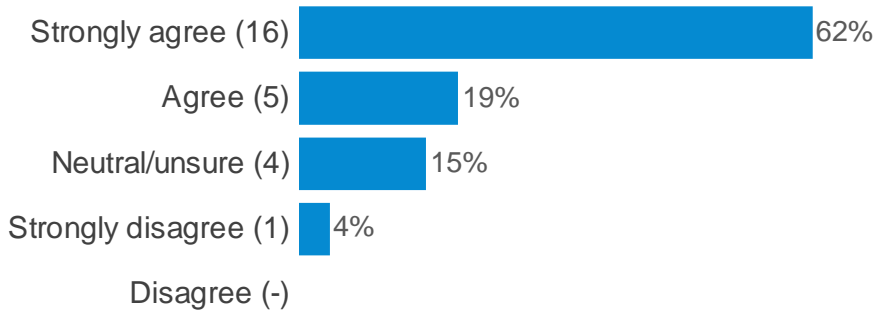


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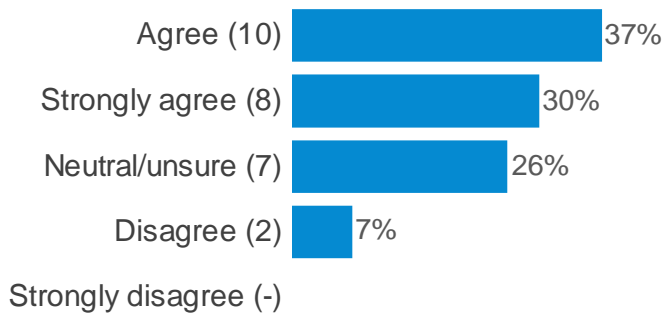


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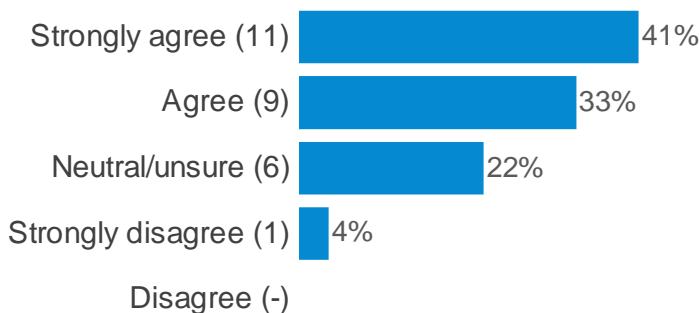
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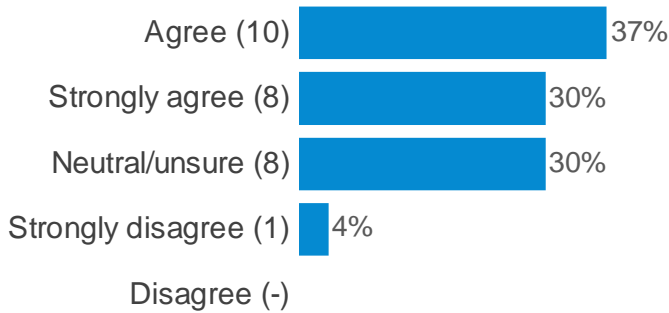


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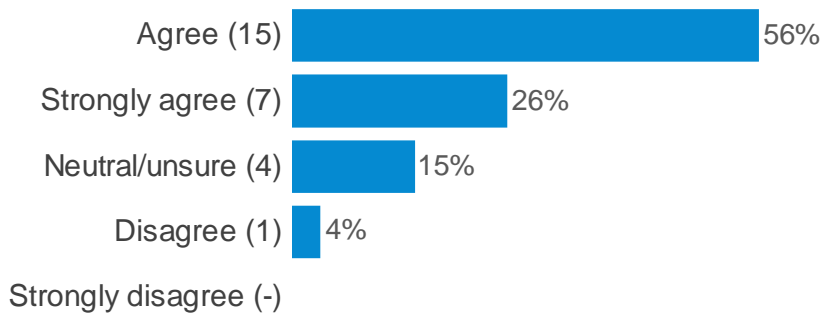


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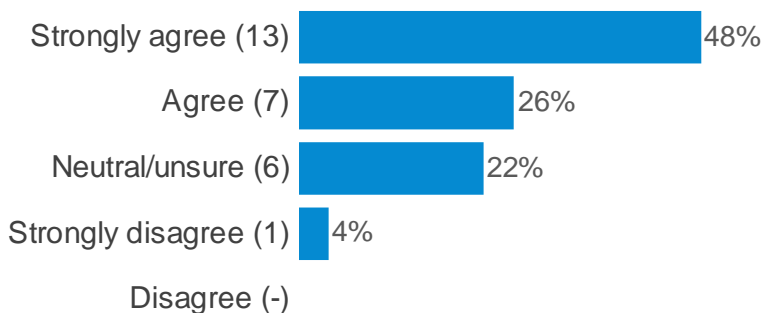
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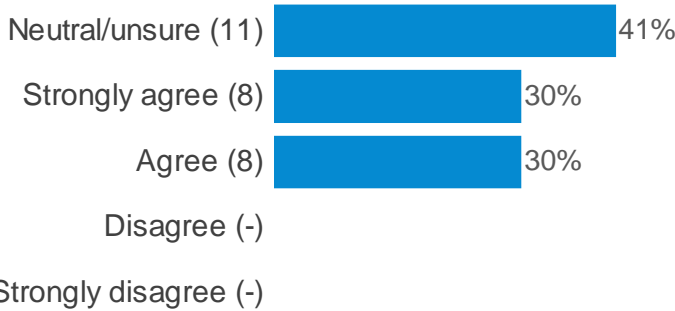


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For each following nine statements of benefit, please indicate to what extent you think the policy, when implemented, has the potential to help to deliver each of them. (See section 6.2 of the draft policy) (Help the Council to achieve its strategic priorities)



Please add any comments here

Leading questions, not objective design

The 'good value for money' question is hard to answer - long term there should be benefits that may be hard to fully quantify in monetary

I agree with the principle that the council should empower and support communities to address their own (self-identified, if possible) iss

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Volunteers are sometimes hard to find and the responsibilities associated with undertaking a big commitment requiring sustained effort can

No priorities about climate or environment are mentioned and should be considered.

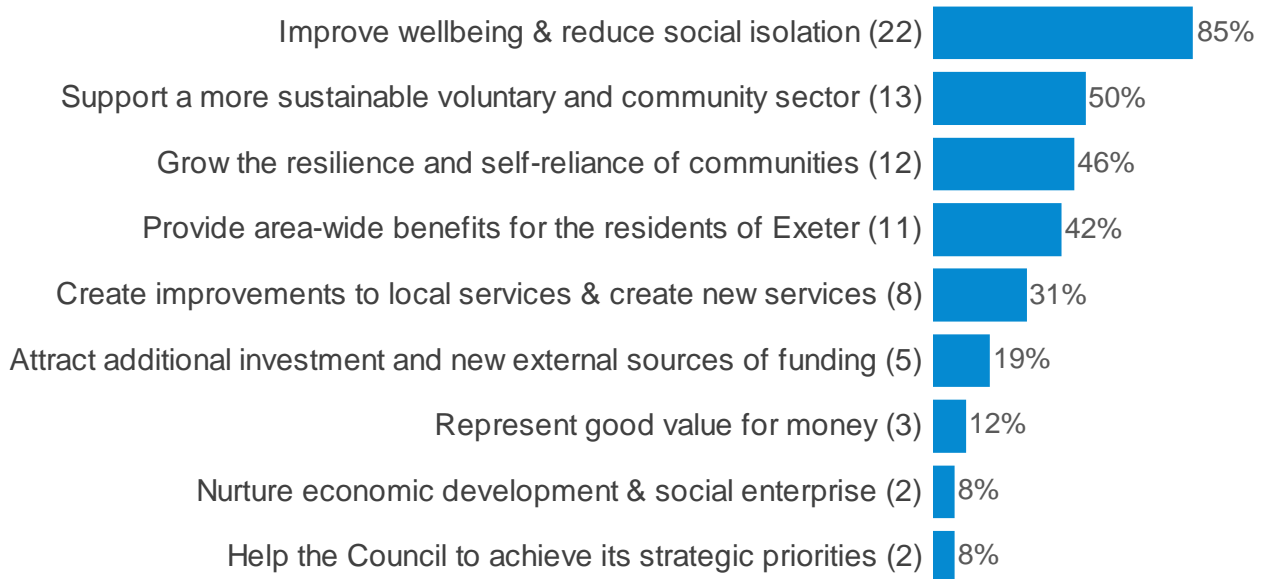
I can't comment, I don't see the point in commenting, first and most who is your targets, What communities are we talking about, there are

While I believe the policy has many positive benefits for communities, services and the council, the workload placed upon volunteers is hu

demands on the few individuals with responsibility within organisations needs to be considered so not to potentially overwhelm

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**If your organisation were able to procure a desired asset transfer, please indicate which would be your top three priorities from the list of potential impacts/benefits that you could achieve as a result of acquiring the asset: (Select only three of the nine options):**



**Please add any comments here**

the community groups that I am in have a great impact on a street level or in a in-form way, but would struggle to widen their reach becau

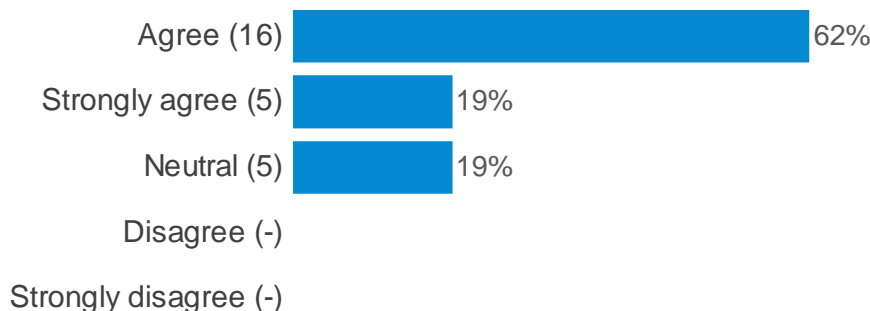
This requires a prolonged commitment to a project which can be off-putting to many

If the asset was land then there might be environmental/ climate benefits.

have to work 'with' communities in partnership rather than 'doing to' . more empahsis on enabling people

Once again, if our organization would had access to an asset transfer, because of the nature of our organization, we shall be inclusive co

**Any proposed asset transfer to the community will need to demonstrate that it will compliment and help to support the vision, aims and priorities of the Council as set out in its Corporate Plan.**





**Please add any comments here**

What if it fails in the longer term? Who will police this?

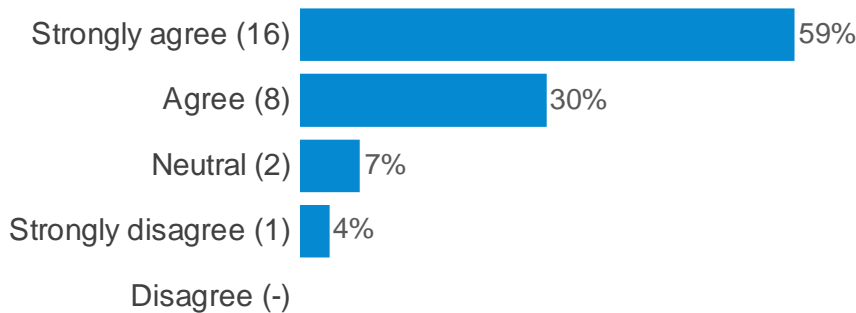
I think under the heading of culture I would be more intentional about including a value in people being free to explore and develop their

The council can access many experts to facilitate any concerns, which would need to be made available for any undertaking by volunteers

1. All CAT should be approved by Council, so there's a transparent process of approval

The Council has to remain the owner of the building is better to run by organizations. We need the Council to monitor the access. How you

**Criteria 1: The Council will need to determine that the asset is available for transfer, fit for purpose and would not impose an unreasonable liability to the voluntary sector organisation or the Council, and that a robust plan is in place to address any such issues or liabilities.**



**Please add any comments here**

Where will the governance and accountability be derived if delivered by non professional community groups?

I think it is really important that things are fit for purpose but also that it doesn't get overly bogged down with red tape and health an

Particularly when buildings are involved, the responsibility can be daunting

What criteria will be used to determine if an asset is available, Could an organisation make a request?

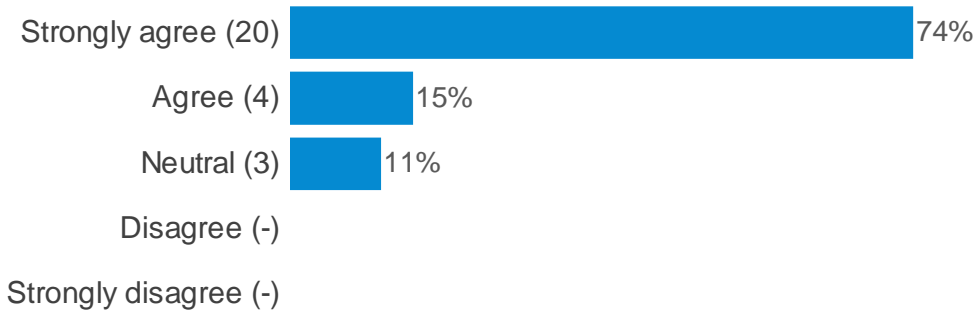
there needs to be clarity and understanding that the voluntary secor organisation cannot sustain financial losses or place too much risk ,

As a manager of a community asset I would note that most organisations that hold leases for community assets pay rent to the city council,

organisation needs to have done due diligence on costs associated with running a building including insurance, bookings, building manager,

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**Criteria 2: The applicant will need to demonstrate that the organisation is appropriately constituted For example; a registered charity, a Community Interest Company (CIC); a Community Benefit Society, a co-operative etc. In addition, the constitution should allow for the management/ownership of buildings and for the provision of services.**



**Please add any comments here**

- Sometimes this cannot be determined at the outset, and needs to be established at a later stage in the transfer process.

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- while I think this is a good point for larger assets like huge building and expensive assets. I think there might be call for some groups

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- The charity also needs to be Incorporated

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- Must be a locally based organisation with local community members/ directors from Exeter.

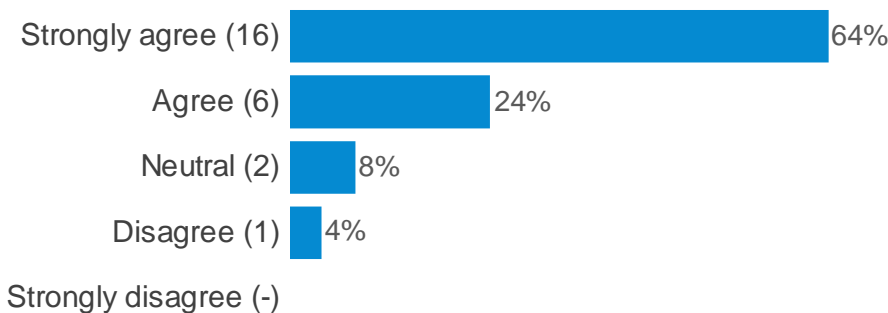
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- a given. Have to have a properly constituted organisation for purposes of good governance and financial oversight . plus implications for

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- would also suggest a minimum number of trustees are part of each organisation to ensure role specific tasks are achievable -

**Criteria 3: The applicant will need to demonstrate a defined community of benefit to the proposed transfer and that the transfer will help to deliver the strategic priorities of the Council.**



**Please add any comments here**

How will this be monitored? And how it easy will it be for the council to take appropriate action if the approach is not working?

While I broadly agree with the Council's strategic priorities as defined in the draft plan I would prefer to see them named explicitly rat

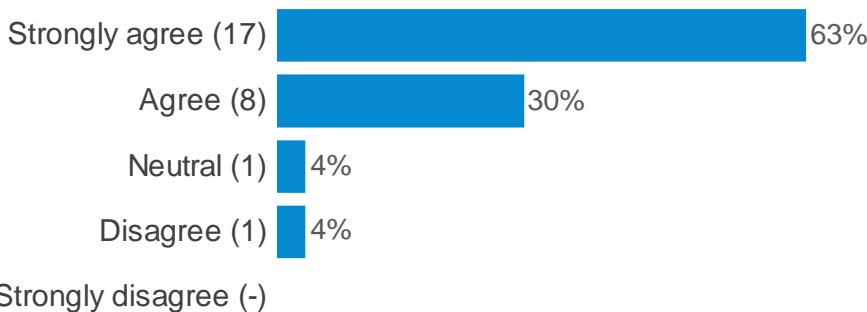
It should be to benefit the community, not the council

Should include land as well as buildings and climate/ecological priorities.

and the voluntary organisation has to meet its own requirements re 'public benefit test' and it's own constitutional requirements

Help with calculating social value would be useful

**Criteria 4: The applicant will need to demonstrate that they have a clear rationale for the asset transfer backed by a robust business case which illustrates their ability to manage the asset effectively and sustainably.**



**Please add any comments here**

This sounds like a lot of wrk which may pit some good willing charitable groups off. As with the previous comment, maybe that needs to be

again I think this sounds reasonable for large and very expensive assets, but I'm not sure if there are smaller more low key assets then I

I feel there should be provision for support for organisations who perhaps don't have a strong background in the financial and legal mecha

The Council should support business planning & set out clear criteria against which it will be assessed.

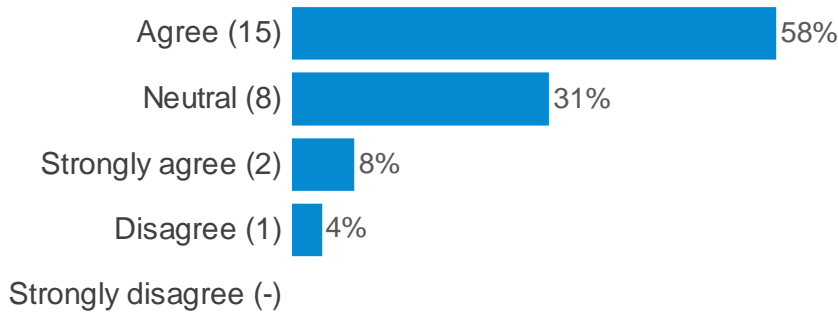
some groups may need support in writing business cases - both financial and people support to do this well

many will need assistance with this as would not normally be part of their makeup

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**The draft policy which you have been helping us to develop by participating in this survey, aims to set out a clear “route map” to enable, where appropriate, community led asset transfer from Exeter City Council to the voluntary, community and social enterprise sector.**

**Please indicate if you think the draft policy achieves this aspiration?**



**Please add any comments here**

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Inadequate explanation why the council does not have capacity to fulfil its responsibilities towards the community.

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Not read document

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The management of assets can be a large financial undertaking and time commitment. Some may require extensive business and other expertise

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I think there also is call for ECC to consider flexible use of their Assets for shorting "pop up" events that community groups want to run

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council must provide relevant info e.g.past running costs etc to help biz planning

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seems ok . at times it was a bit wordy and could things be simplified a bit? Quite alot of legal stuff, which is neccessary to a point , b

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I agree flexibility is required and this policy allows for that.