Community Sentiment Survey

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Community Sentiment Survey Background and Approach

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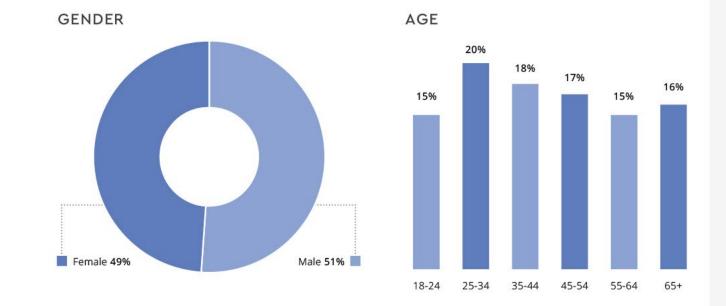
Factuality Research was commissioned by Townsville City Council to undertake a community survey, designed to measure community sentiment on council goals and key services.

The purpose of the survey was to:

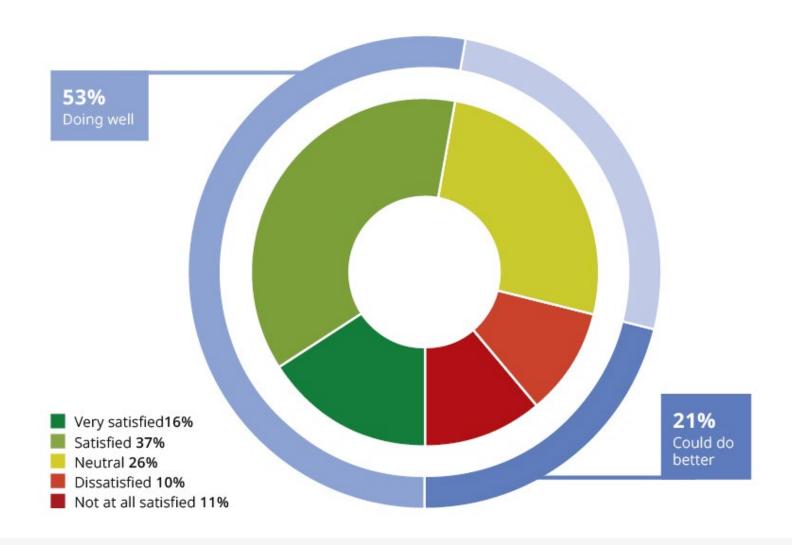
- Measure the level of satisfaction with Townsville City Council's overall performance
- Measure the importance of and satisfaction with core services provided by council
- Measure satisfaction with other services provided by council
- Assist council in identifying sentiment of the community to inform future planning

Demographic of Participants

- Residents surveyed between 29 January and 23 February 2023
- Identified sample size of 1,120 across the LGA to build a statistically significant dataset
- The sample was weighted to the age/gender distribution of Townsville LGA from the 2020 census



Council's Overall Performance



Corporate Goals Importance

Residents were asked to rate the importance of Council's 5 corporate goals.

These results are provided in the following slides

RATING SCALE

1= Not at all important

5= Very important

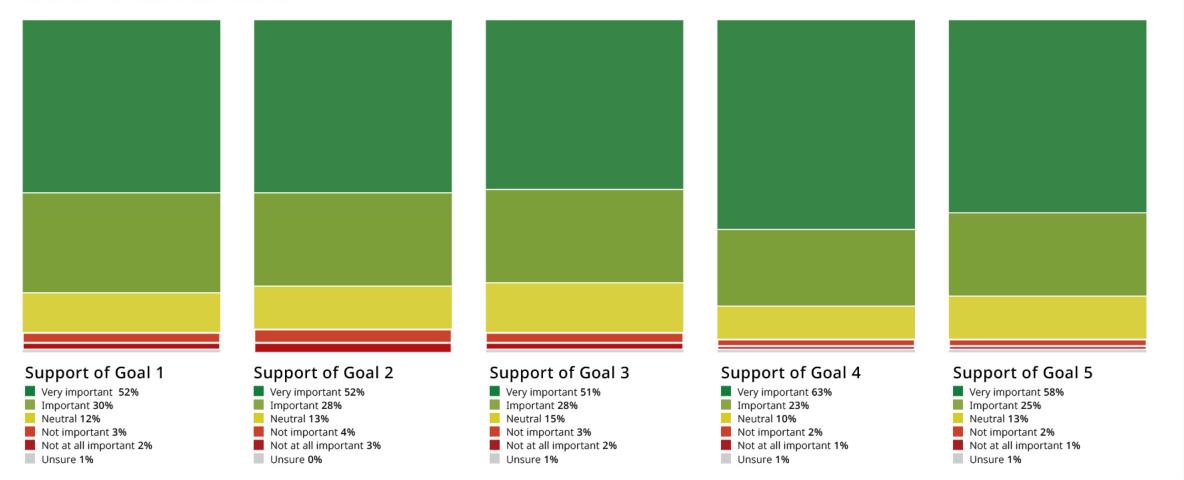
Corporate Goals

Goal 1	Townsville to be a city that provides options for residents & visitors to access services they need when and how they choose.	82% support
Goal 2	A city that is committed to recycling and the reduction of waste by supporting businesses to convert waste into energy and stop rubbish going into landfill.	80% support
Goal 3	Establish Townsville as an attractive option for existing and emerging industries to invest and operate and provide jobs for the city.	79% support
Goal 4	Make Townsville a city where there's a lot for people to do, including in the arts, sports, events and recreational activities.	86% support
Goal 5	Establish Townsville as a leading centre for education, training, and research specific to tropical locations, especially research which has global impact and commercial benefit.	83% support

Corporate Goals

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SUPPORT OF CORPORATE GOALS



Corporate Goals Performance

Residents were asked to rate how well they thought Council was doing in achieving its corporate goals.

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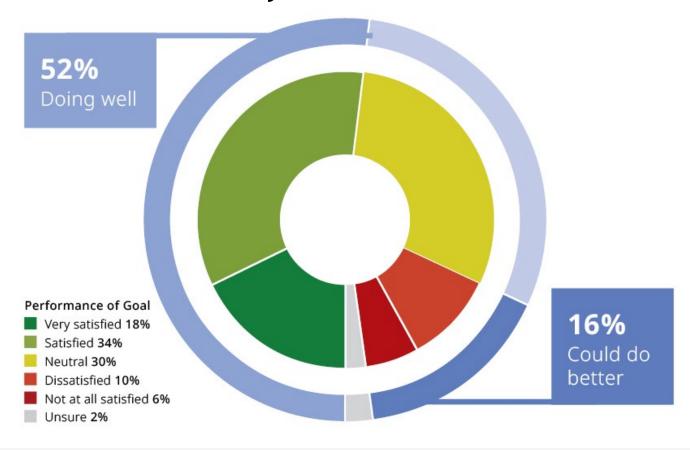
RATING SCALE

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5= Very satisfied

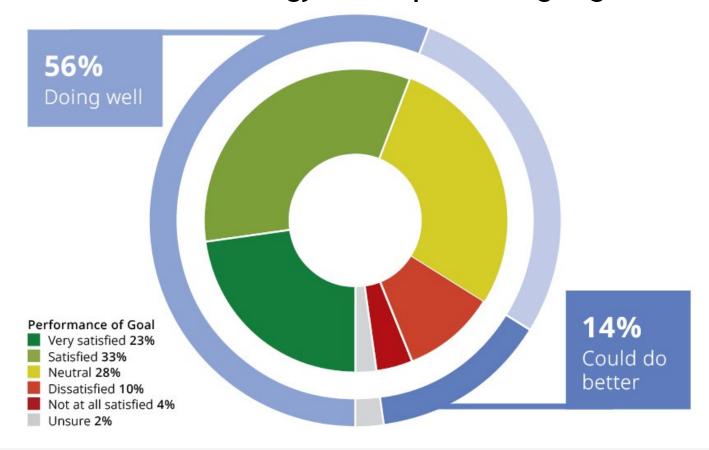
Goal 1 Factuality

Townsville to be a city that provides options for residents and visitors to access the services they need when and how they choose.



Goal 2

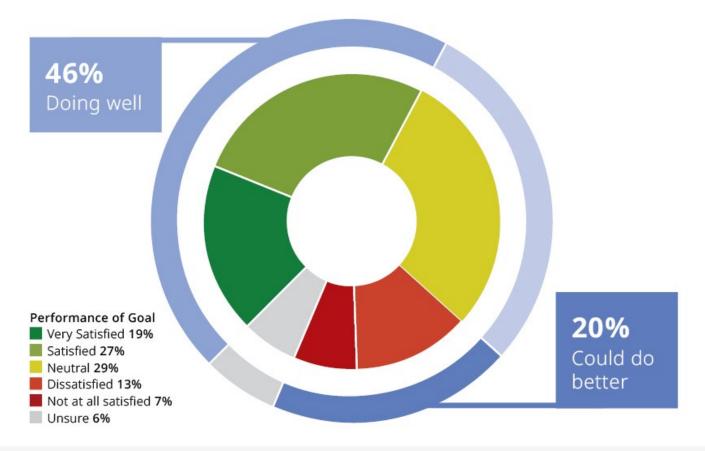
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Goal 3

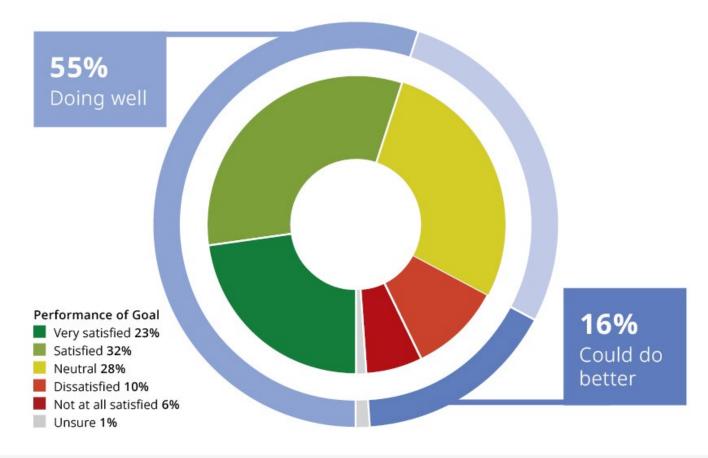
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Establish Townsville as an attractive option for existing and emerging industries to invest and operate and provide jobs for the city.



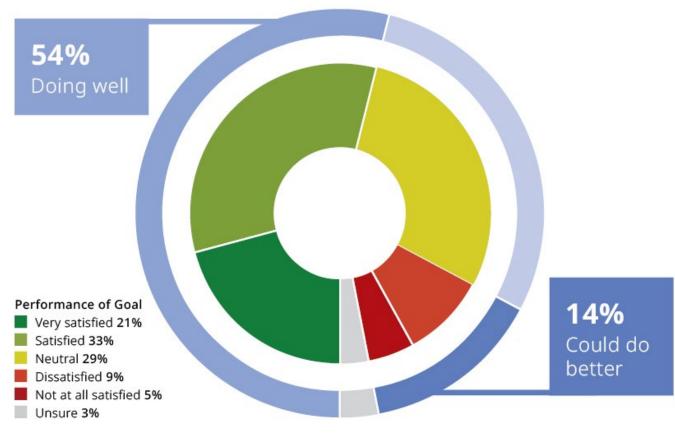
Goal 4 Factuality

Make Townsville a city where there's a lot for people to do, including in the arts, sports, events and recreational activities.



Goal 5 Factuality

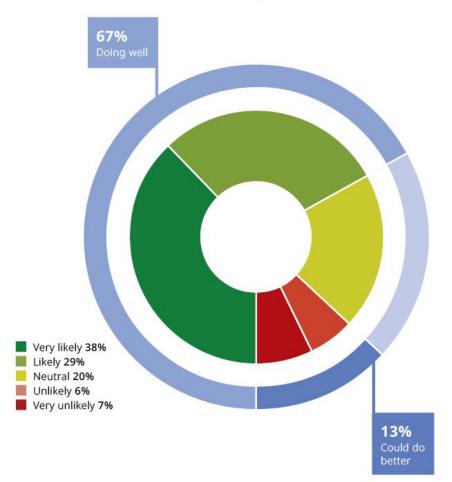
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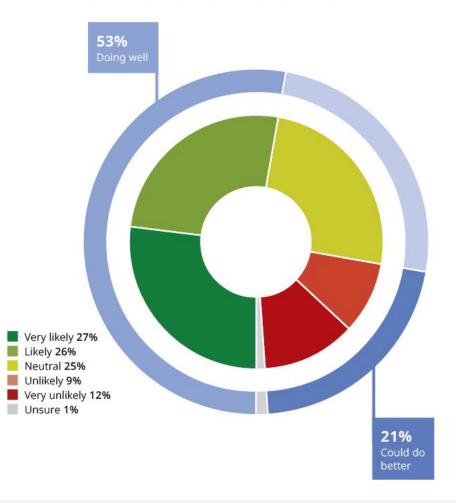
Civic Pride

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LIKELIHOOD OF RECOMMENDING OTHERS TO MOVE TO TOWNSVILLE



Core Services Performance

Residents were asked to rate the importance of, and satisfaction with, Council's 10 core services.

Ratings on these 10 services is provided in the order of rated importance.

RATING SCALE IMPORTANCE

1= Not at all important

5= Very important

RATING SCALE PERFORMANCE

1= Not at all Satisfied

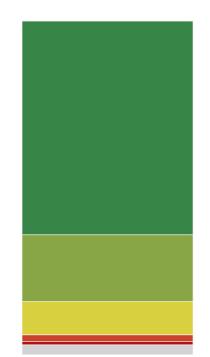
5= Very Satisfied

CORE SERVICES IMPORTANCE



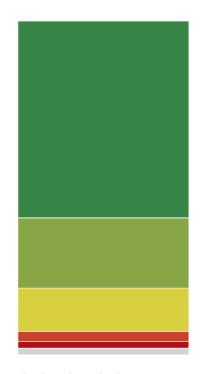
1. Water Quality

- Very important 72% Important 13%
- Neutral 10%
- Not important 2%
- Not at all important 1% Unsure 2%



2. Water Security

- Very important 64% Important 20%
- Neutral 10% Not important 2%
- Not at all important 1%
- Unsure 3%



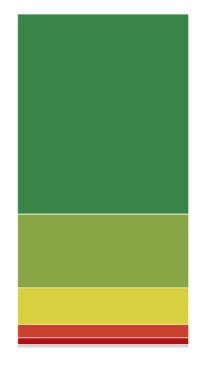
3. Drains & Stormwater management

- Very important 59% Important 21%
- Neutral13%
- Not important 3%
- Not at all important 2%
- Unsure 2%



4. Waste management & resource recovery

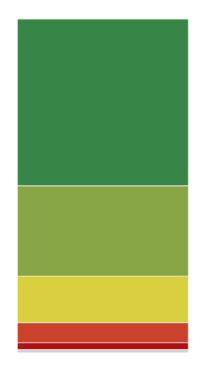
- Very important 57%
- Important 27% Neutral 9%
- Not important 2%
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- Unsure 2%



5. Roads

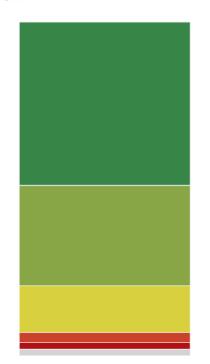
- Very important 60%
- Important 22%
- Neutral 11%
- Not important 4%
- Not at all important 2% Unsure 1%

CORE SERVICES IMPORTANCE



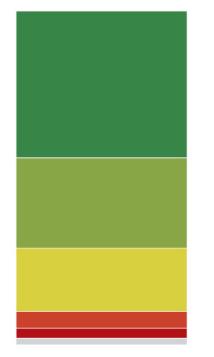
6. Footpaths & bikeways

- Very important 50% Important 27% Neutral 14% Not important 6%
- Not at all important 2%
- Unsure 1%



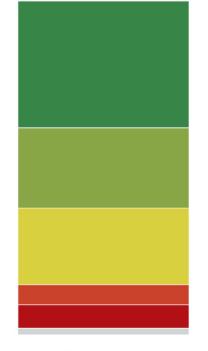
7. Parks & open spaces

Very important 49% Important 30% Neutral 14% Not important 3% Not at all important 2% Unsure 2%



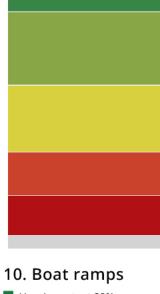
8. Swimming facilities

- Very important 44% Important 27% Neutral 19% Not important 5%
- Not at all important 3%
- Unsure 2%



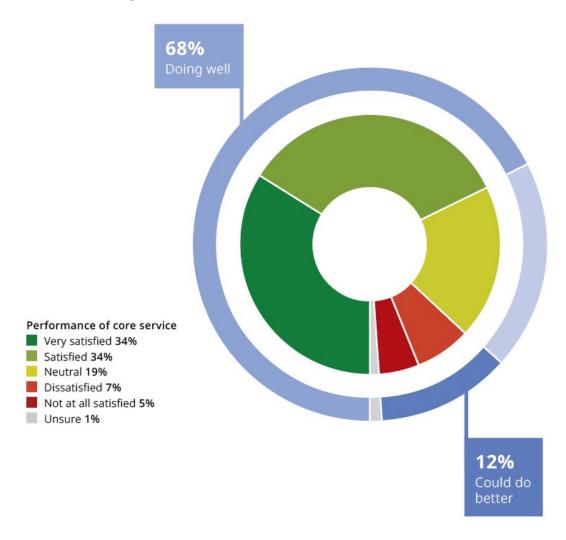
9. Walking trails

- Very important 38% Important 24% Neutral 23% Not important 6% Not at all important 7%
- Unsure 2%

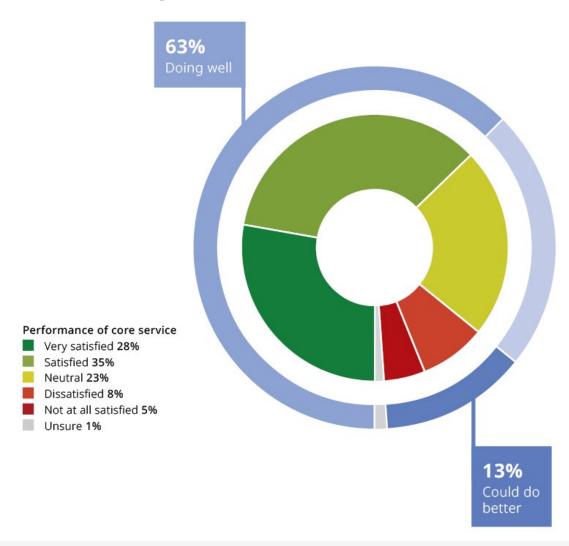


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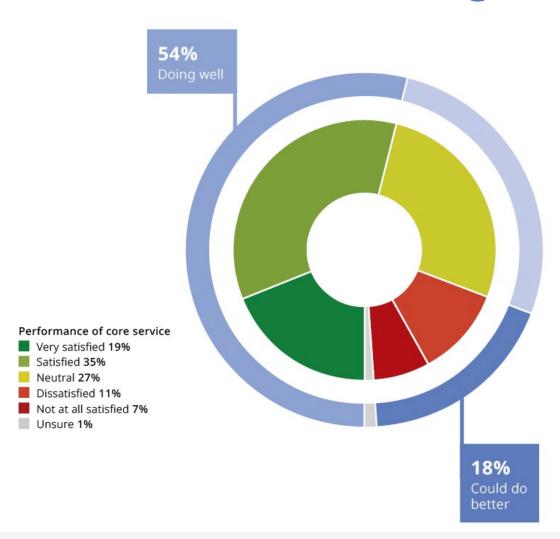
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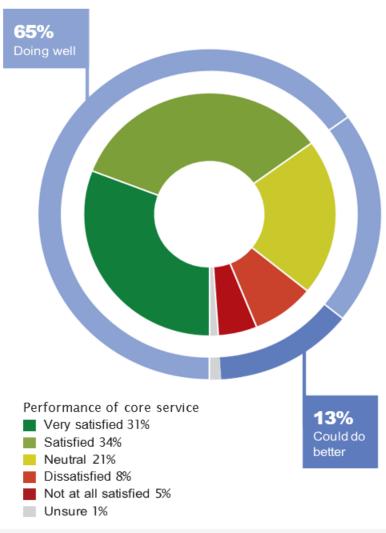
2. Water Security



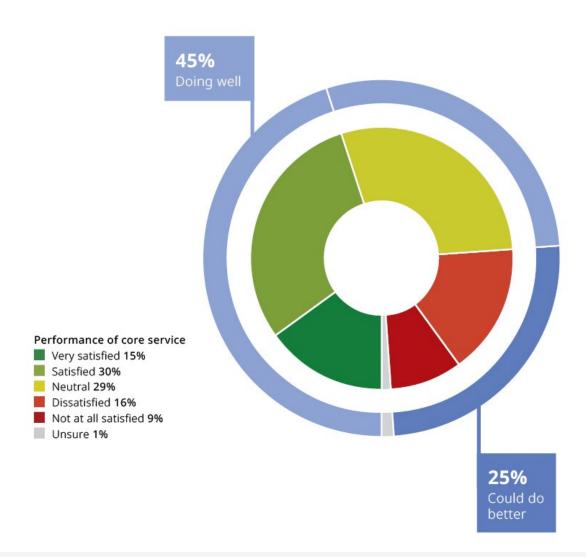
3. Drains & Stormwater Management



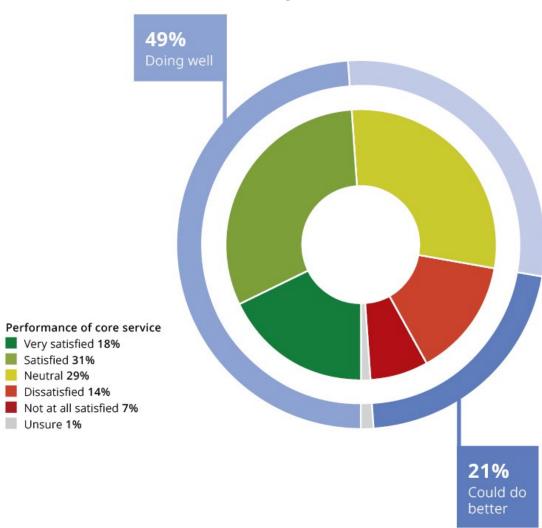
4. Waste Management & Resource Recovery



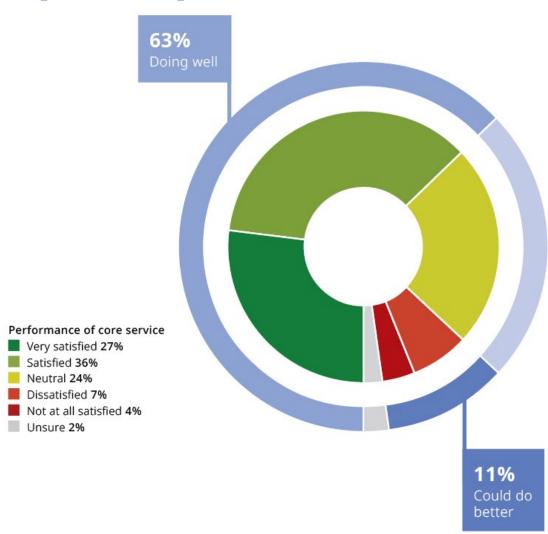
5. Roads



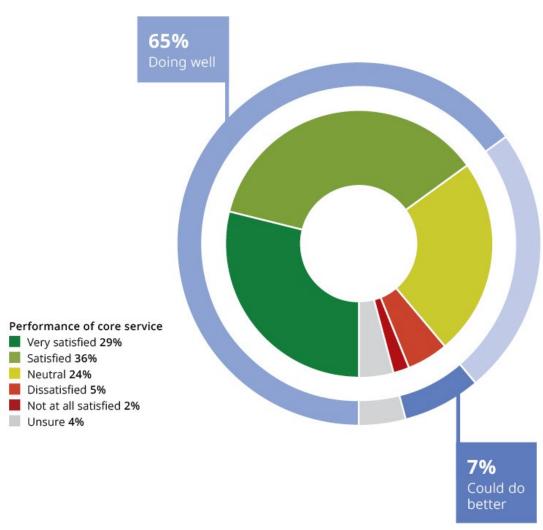
6. Footpaths & Bikeways



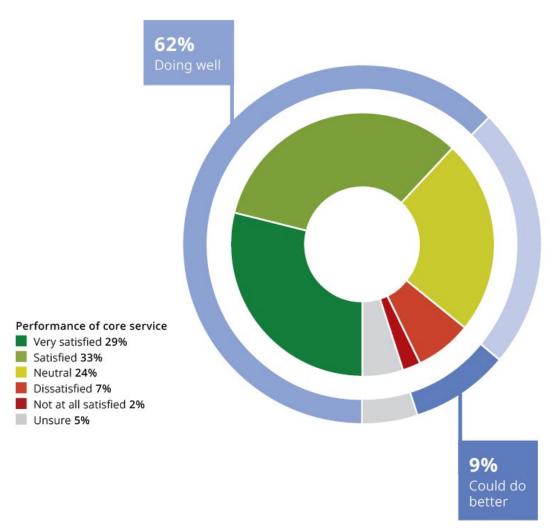
7. Parks & Open Spaces



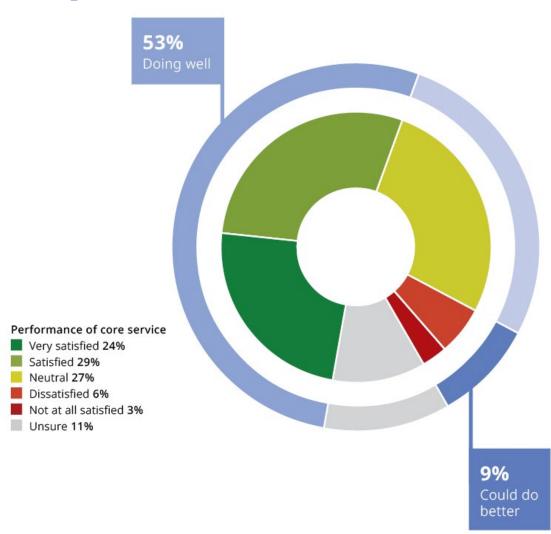
8. Swimming Facilities



9. Walking Trails



10. Boat Ramps

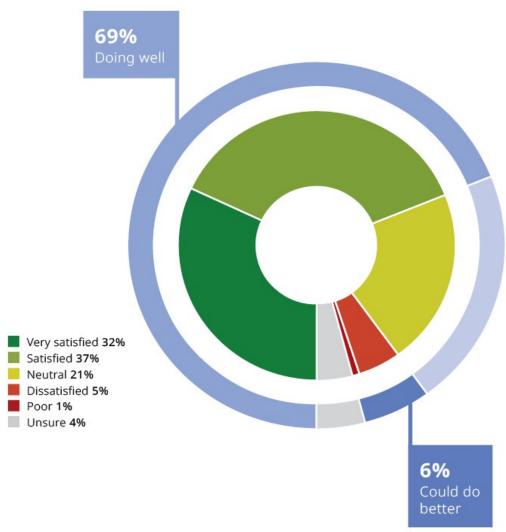


Other Council Services

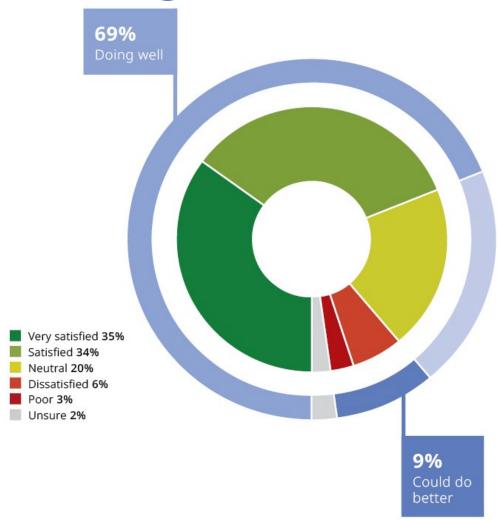
The survey asked residents to rate their satisfaction with 12 additional Council services.

Satisfaction across these areas was relatively high across the board with an average dissatisfaction rate of only 12%. Notably, those who recorded a high overall satisfaction with council, rated these services higher overall, compared to respondents who recorded a lower overall satisfaction with council.

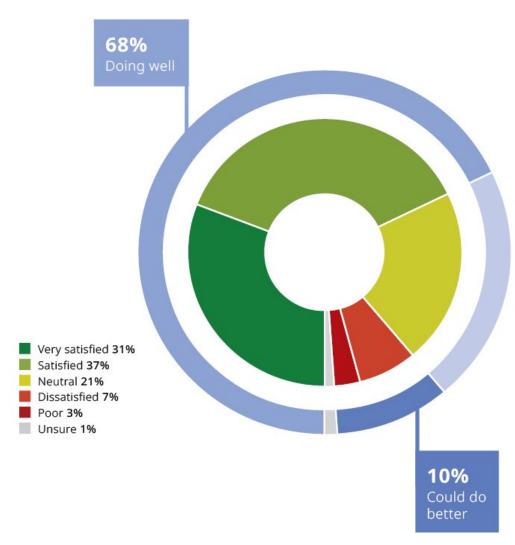
Sports Grounds & Facilities



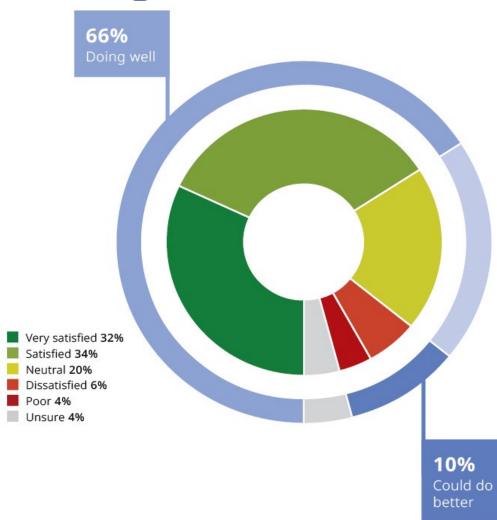
Preparation for High-Risk Weather



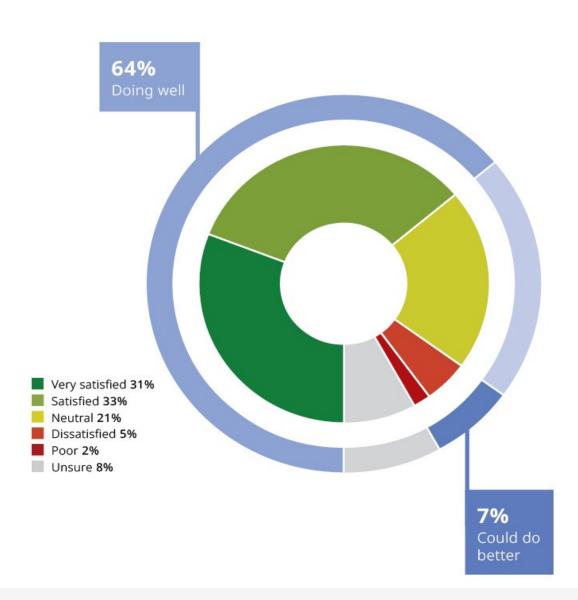
Beach Maintenance



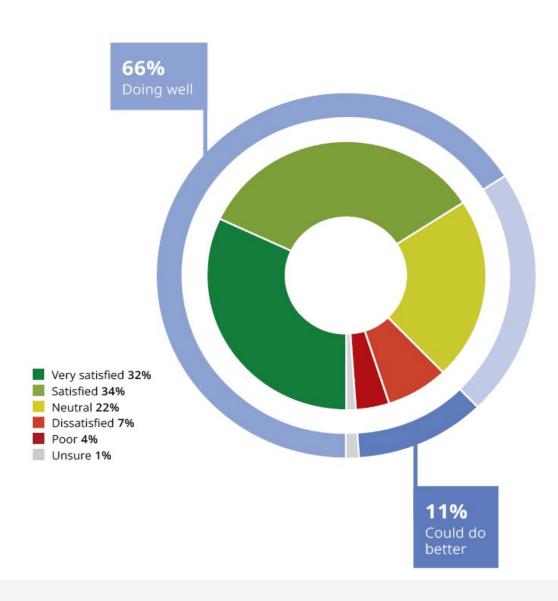
Emergency Management



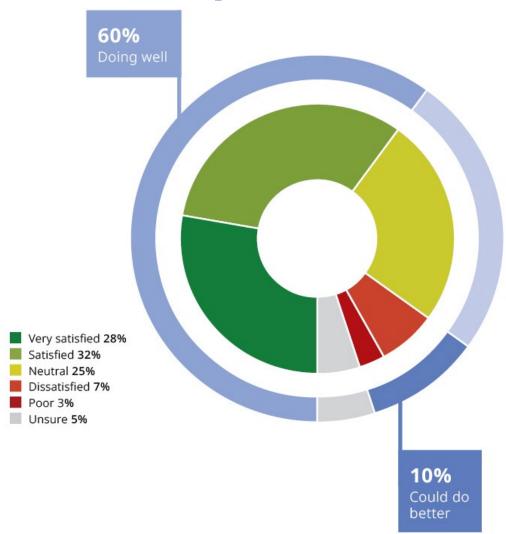
Libraries



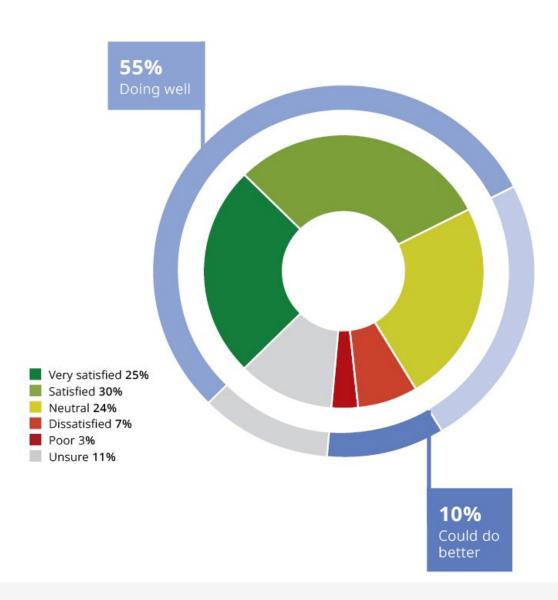
Events



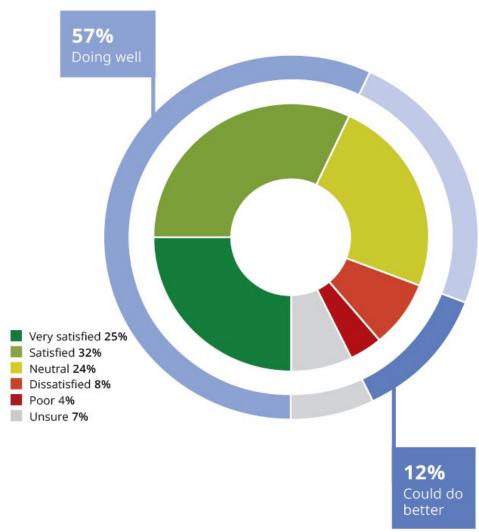
Grants & Sponsorships



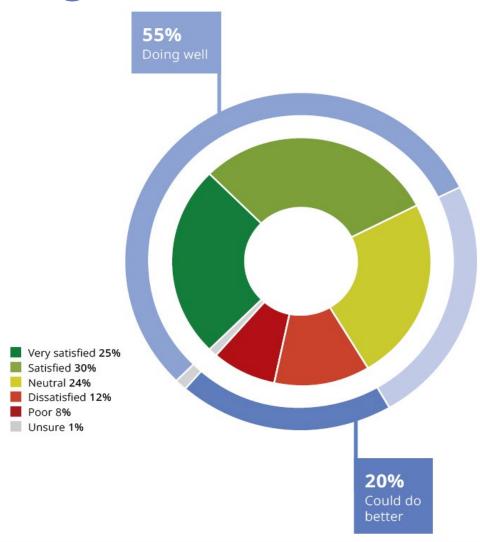
Galleries



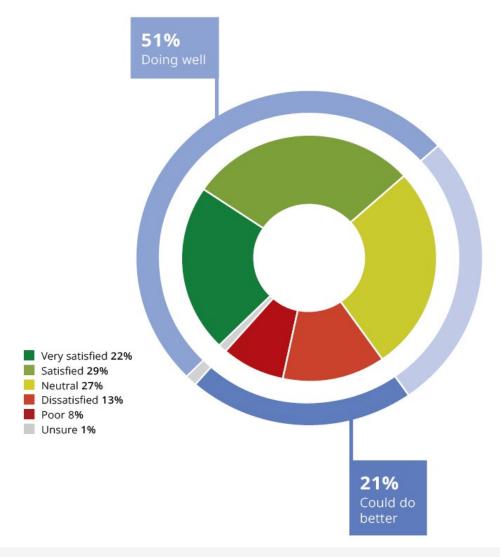
Support for Local Community



Mosquito Management



Cleanliness & Presentation of City



Animal Management & Regulation

