

Let's Talk Climate: ACC presentations

Setting the scene

- Let's Talk North Yorkshire is the **biggest ever countywide conversation**
- It is our continued commitment to listen and engage with you hearing our residents' views on key strategic decisions and empowering their voice
- The Let's Talk Climate campaign ran for **3 months** with a **mass marketing campaign** including the use of: radio, press, digital – owned and paid for – as well as face to face events and support from partners across the county
- The survey was hosted on Commonplace, a safe and easy-to-use online tool used by over 250 organisations including neighbouring councils
- **Paper surveys** were available in **libraries**, at **events** and **on request**. They were offered to be translated and in other as well as other accessible formats

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- Let's Talk North Yorkshire has helped us to **reach into groups and communities** that we don't hear from giving us a broader understanding of how residents feel about their local areas and their future priorities
- While we are the **largest council by geography** in England, we are building local into the DNA of how services are designed and delivered
- The information provided via Let's Talk will be used to **inform** the new council's **decisions, policies** and **services** moving forward

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- Some of the **issues raised** cannot be addressed by just us alone
- We need to **collaborate in new and innovative ways** with partners to maximise the value of every North Yorkshire pound
- We will work with the county's MPs to **lobby** central government for the funds and **powers to tackle problems** and deliver solutions
- We must **continue the conversation** with our residents and commit to **listening and doing** everything we can to **advocate** for North Yorkshire

Setting the scene

Geothermal Energy

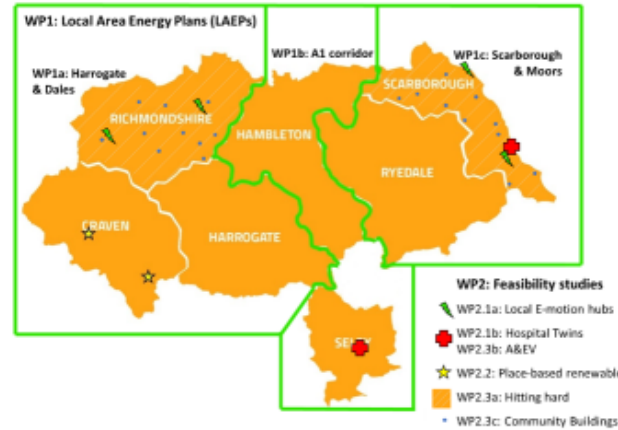


Sustainable Warmth Competition



LAD2, LAD3, HUG1

Local Area Energy Plans



Hambleton Leisure Centre Decarbonisation



Electric Vehicle Charging Points



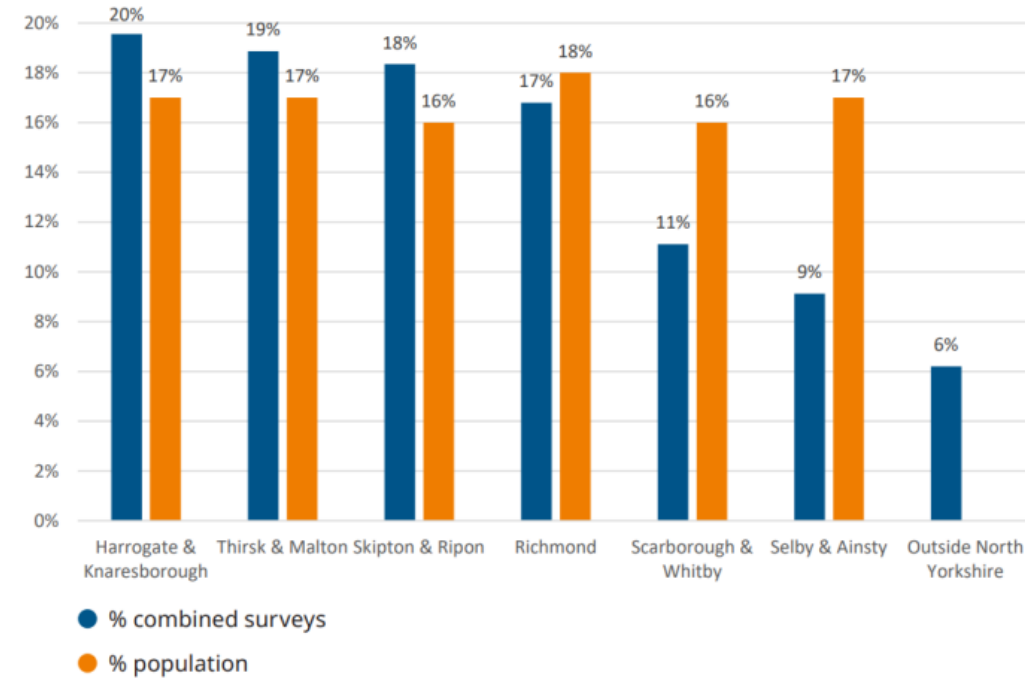
LED Streetlighting



Key findings

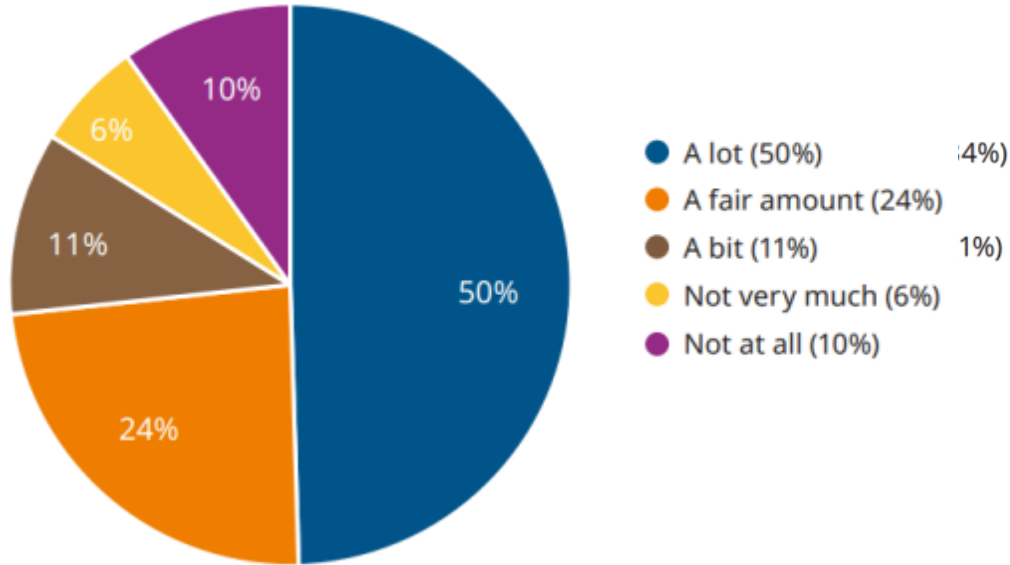
- 1,531 responses – Let’s Talk Climate Survey
- 249 responses - Young People’s Survey
- Responses show:
 - High levels of awareness and worry about climate change across North Yorkshire
 - Many people are already taking action such as recycling, reducing waste, reducing energy consumption and improving home energy efficiency

Figure 45: Combined response samples and population by ACC (n=1,161 responses)

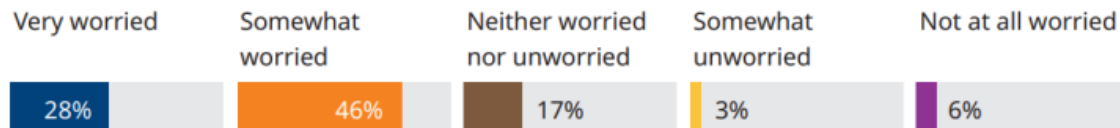


Climate change awareness & worry

Figure 5: Worry about climate change (n=1,357 responses)

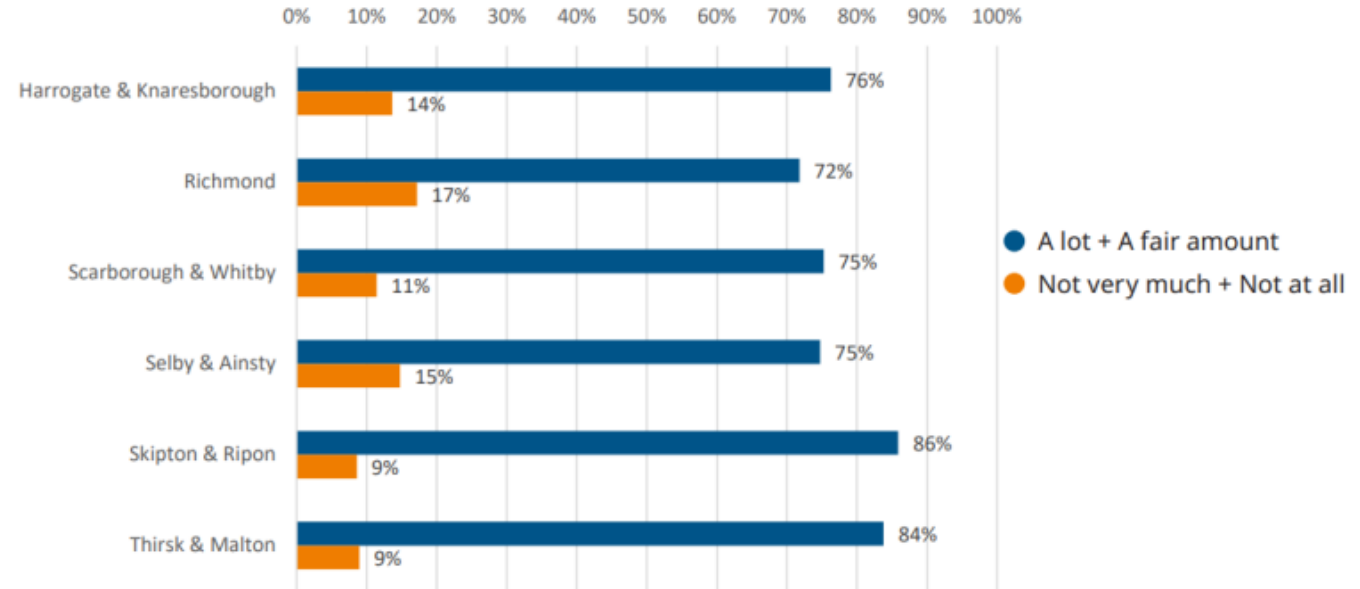


Proportion of adults, aged 16 and over, and level of worry about climate change, Great Britain, 14 September to 9 October 2022.



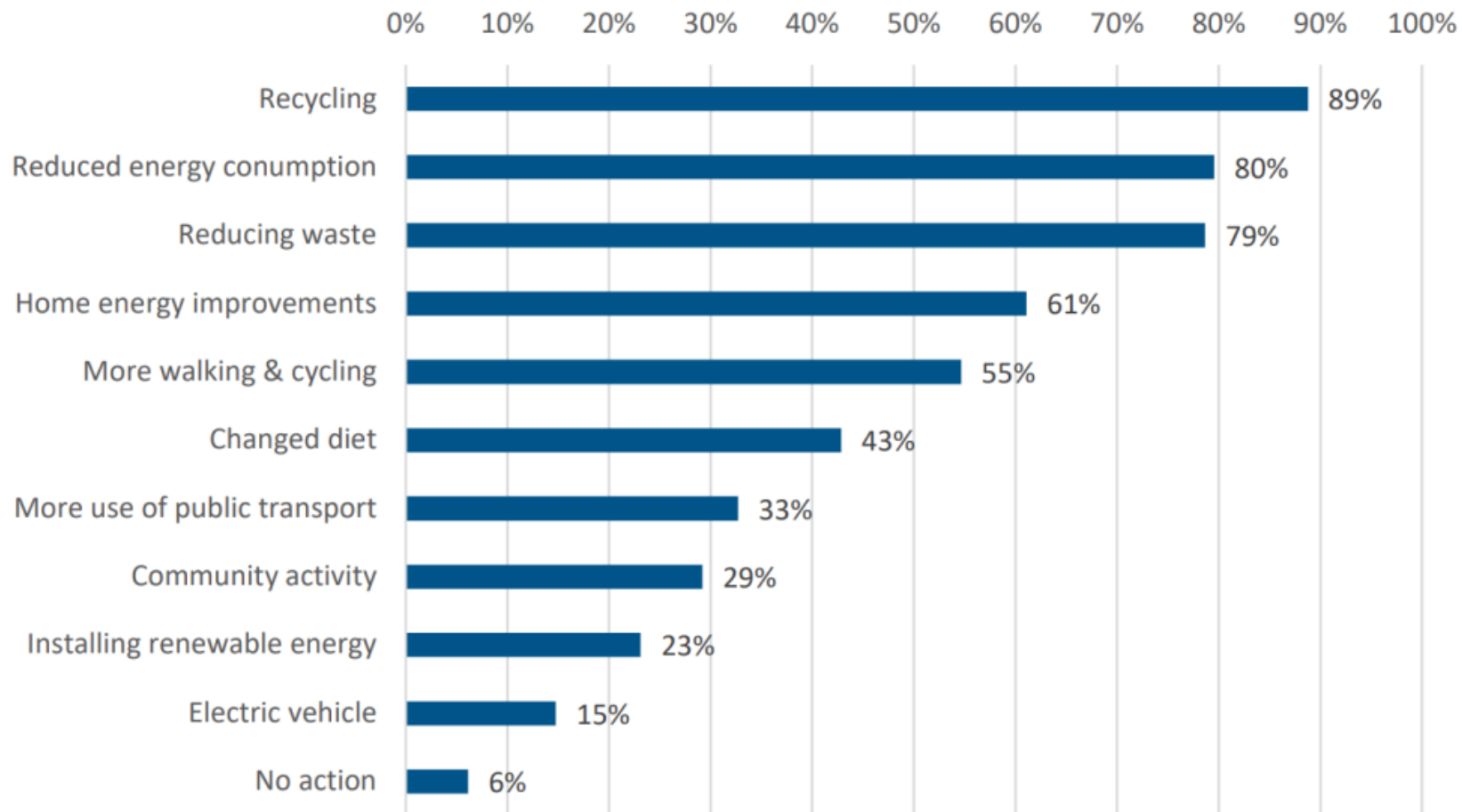
Source: Office for National Statistics - Opinions and Lifestyle Survey - Worries about climate change, Great Britain - Office for National Statistics (ons.gov.uk)

Figure 10: Climate change worry by area (ACC) in North Yorkshire (n=952)



Actions

Figure 12: Actions taken to address climate change (n=1,354)



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Actions

Figure 14: Actions taken by people for each area (ACC) within North Yorkshire

Actions taken (all survey ranking: 1,354 responses)	Harrogate & Knaresborough (n=197)	Richmond (n=161)	Scarborough & Whitby (n=107)	Selby & Ainsty (n=96)	Skipton & Ripon (n=164)	Thirsk & Malton (n=182)
	% (rank)	% (rank)	% (rank)	% (rank)	% (rank)	% (rank)
Recycling (1)	88% (1)	90% (1)	89% (1)	91% (1)	91% (1)	92% (1)
Reduced energy consumption (2)	80% (2)	81% (2)	84% (2)	81% (2)	85% (2)	82% (3)
Reducing waste (3)	78% (3)	80% (3)	79% (3)	79% (3)	84% (3)	87% (2)
Home energy improvements (4)	66% (4)	65% (4)	65% (4)	65% (4)	70% (4)	68% (4)
More walking & cycling (5)	62% (5)	49% (5)	62% (5)	61% (5)	55% (5)	57% (5)
Changed diet (6)	49% (7)	35% (6)	40% (6)	42% (6)	49% (6)	52% (6)
More use of public transport (7)	50% (6)	27% (8)	33% (7)	35% (7)	32% (8)	29% (8)
Community activity (8)	26% (8)	33% (7)	28% (8)	27% (8)	38% (7)	38% (7)
Installing renewable energy (9)	22% (9)	25% (9)	17% (9)	17% (9)	30% (9)	29% (9)
Electric vehicle (10)	17% (10)	16% (10)	10% (10)	16% (10)	15% (10)	13% (10)
No action (11)	7% (11)	6% (11)	2% (11)	3% (11)	4% (11)	3% (11)

Top 3 most popular actions are highlighted in green

Top 5 most common actions are the same across all ACCs but there are some minor differences

Plan to slow down a changing climate

50% responded very confident, confident or somewhat confident
 50% responded not confident or not very confident

Figure 18: Confidence about approach slowing down a changing climate by ACC (n=983 responses)

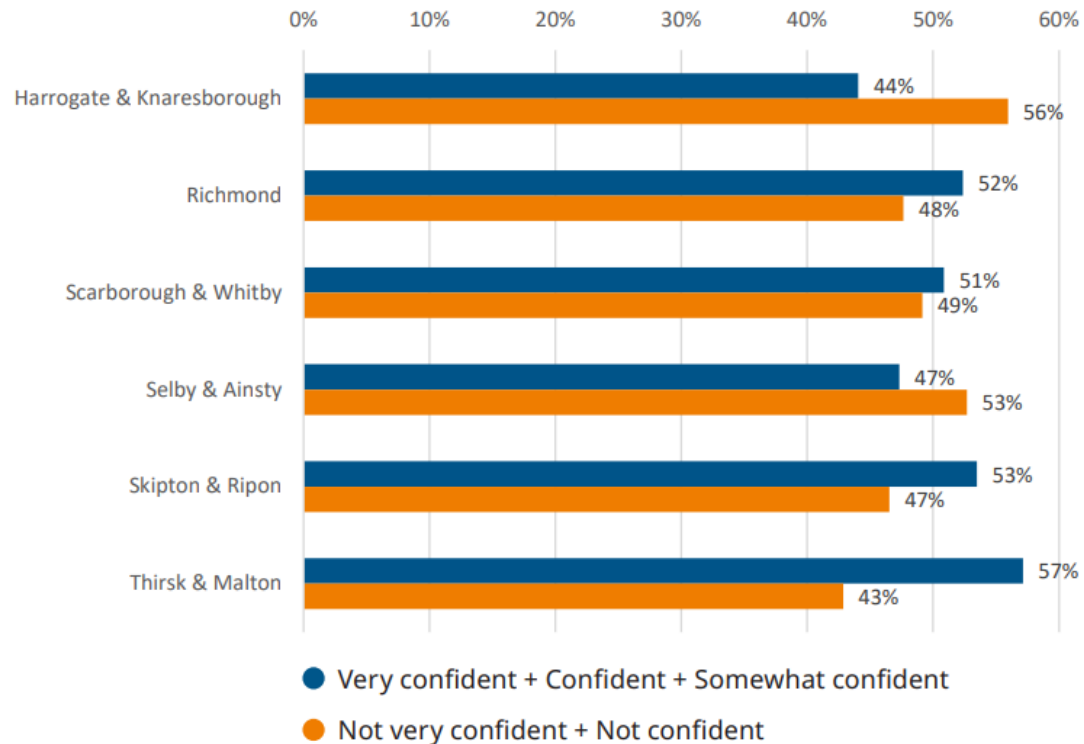
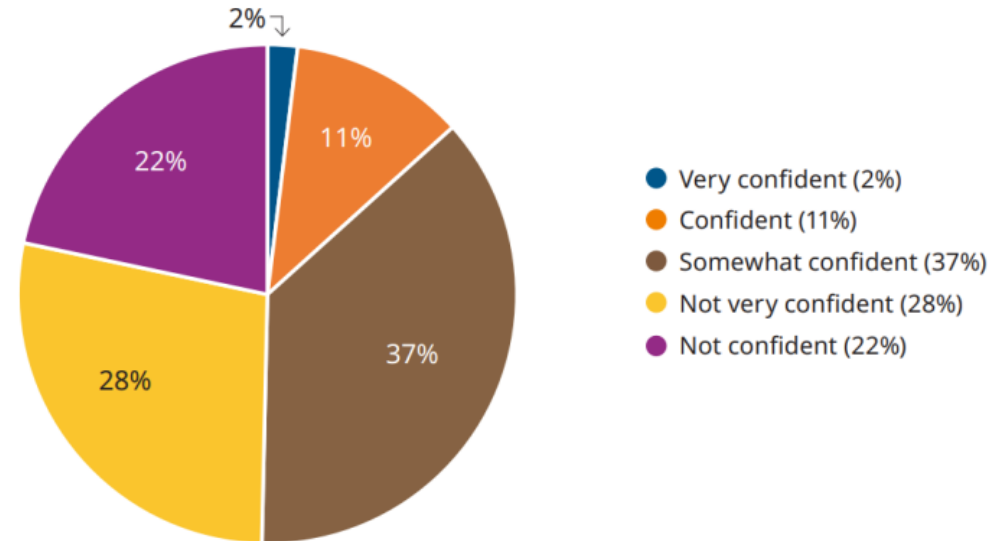


Figure 15: Confidence about approach slowing down a changing climate (n=1,388 responses)



Responses from females are more likely to be very confident, confident or somewhat confident about this (59%), compared to males (41%).

Plan to prepare for a changing climate

52% responded very confident, confident or somewhat confident
 48% responded confident or not very confident

Figure 26: Confidence about approach preparing for a changing climate by area (ACC) (n=850 responses)

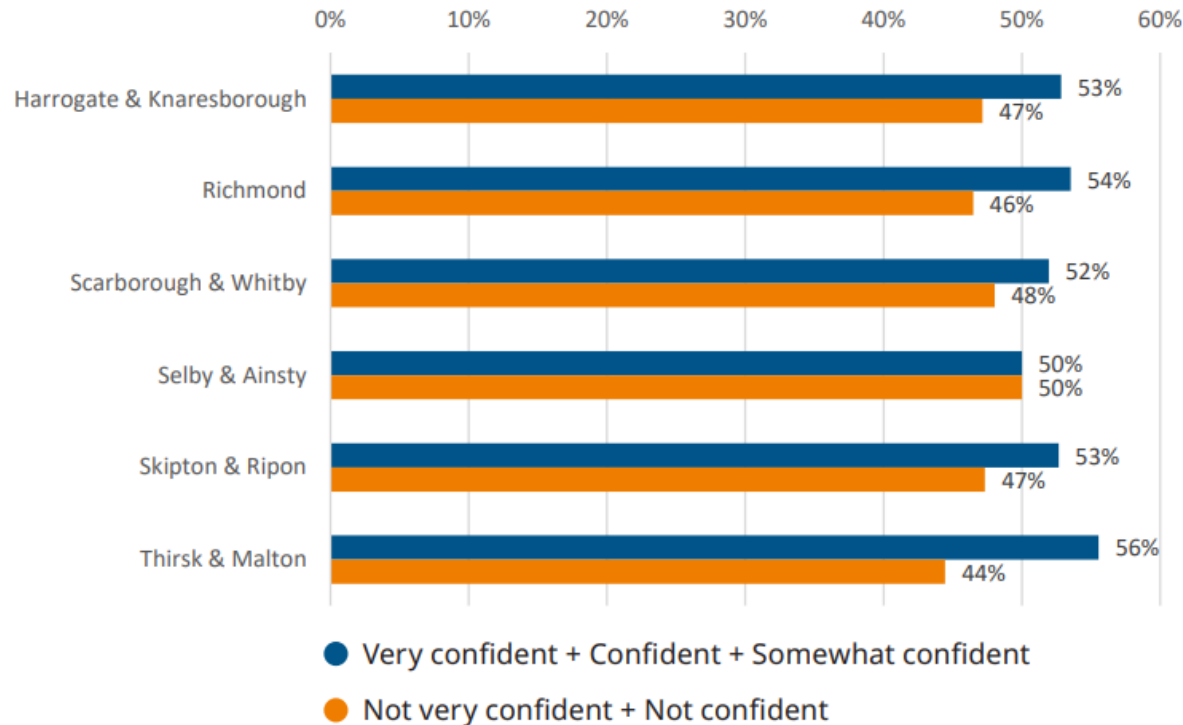
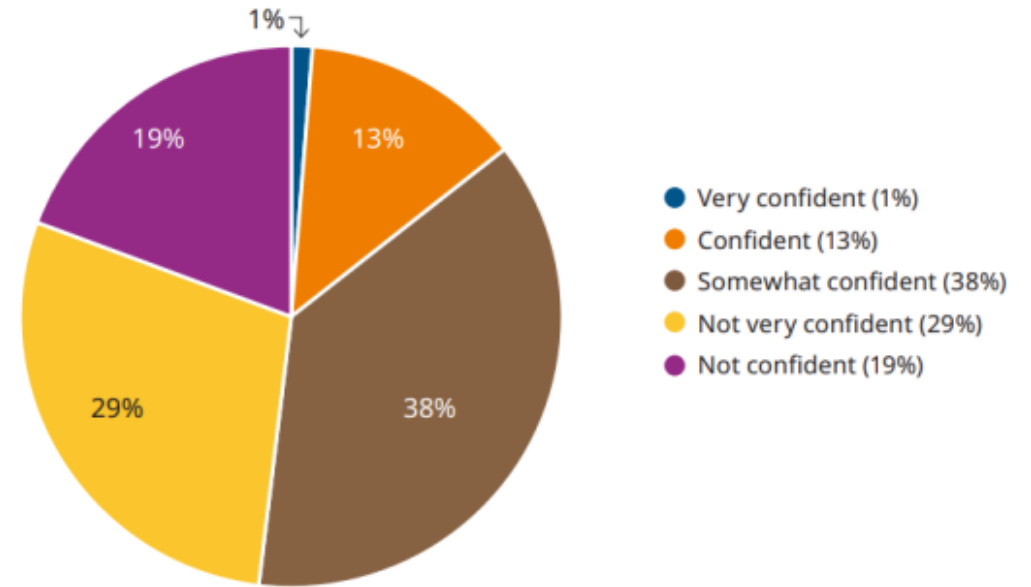


Figure 23: Confidence about approach preparing for a changing climate (n=1,194 responses)



Plan to help nature to help us

60% responded very confident, confident or somewhat confident
 40% responded not confident or not very confident

Figure 34: Confidence about approach helping nature to help us by ACC (n=820 responses)

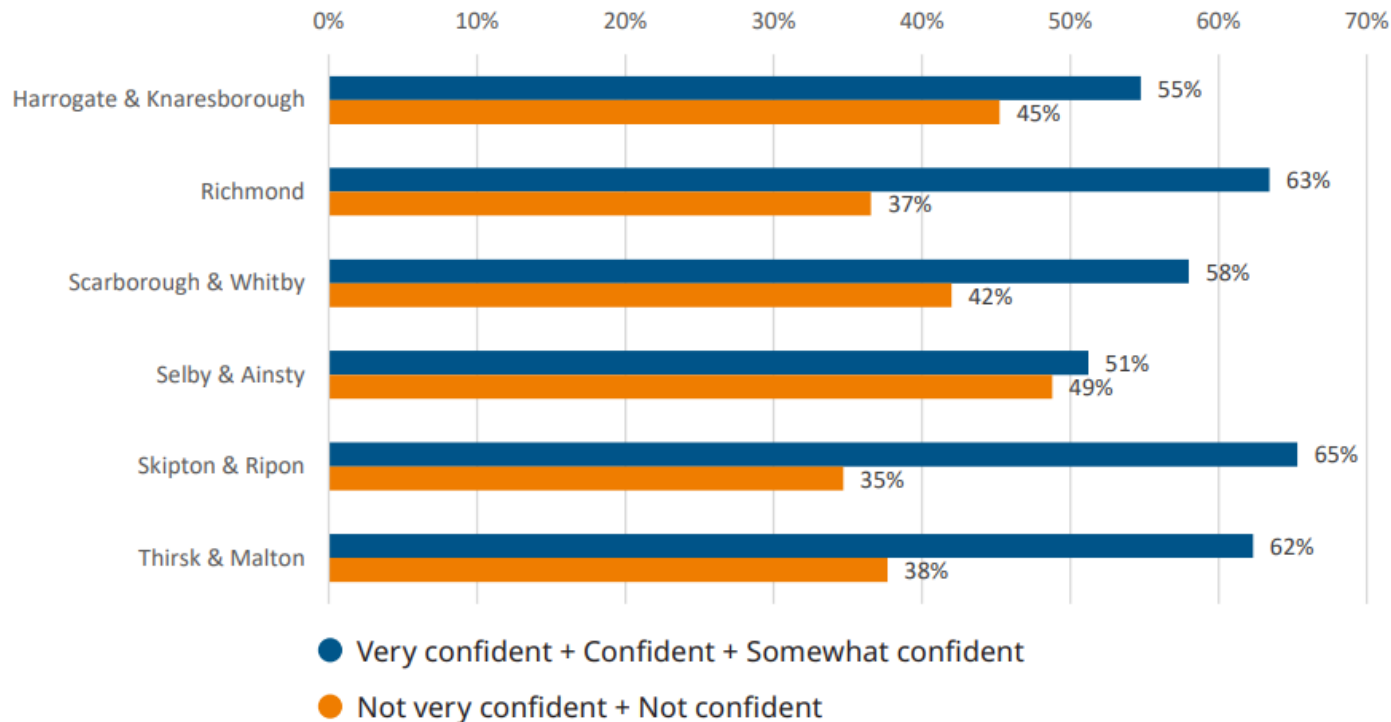
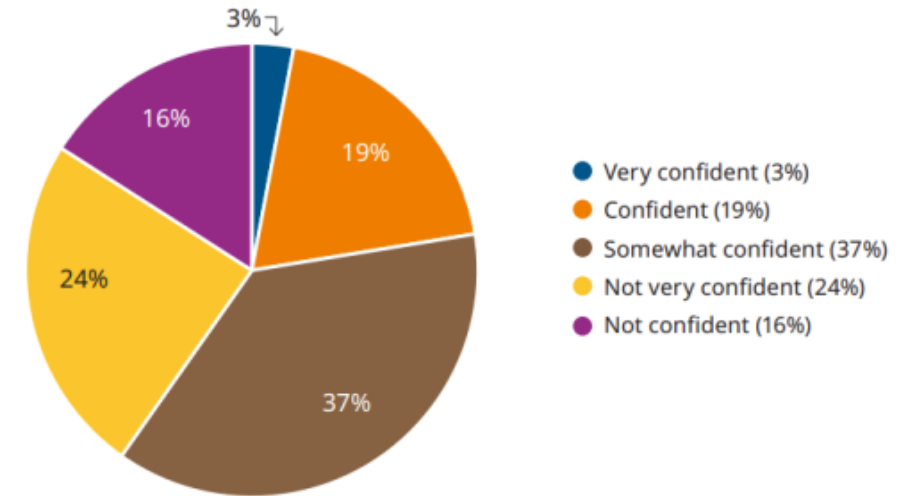
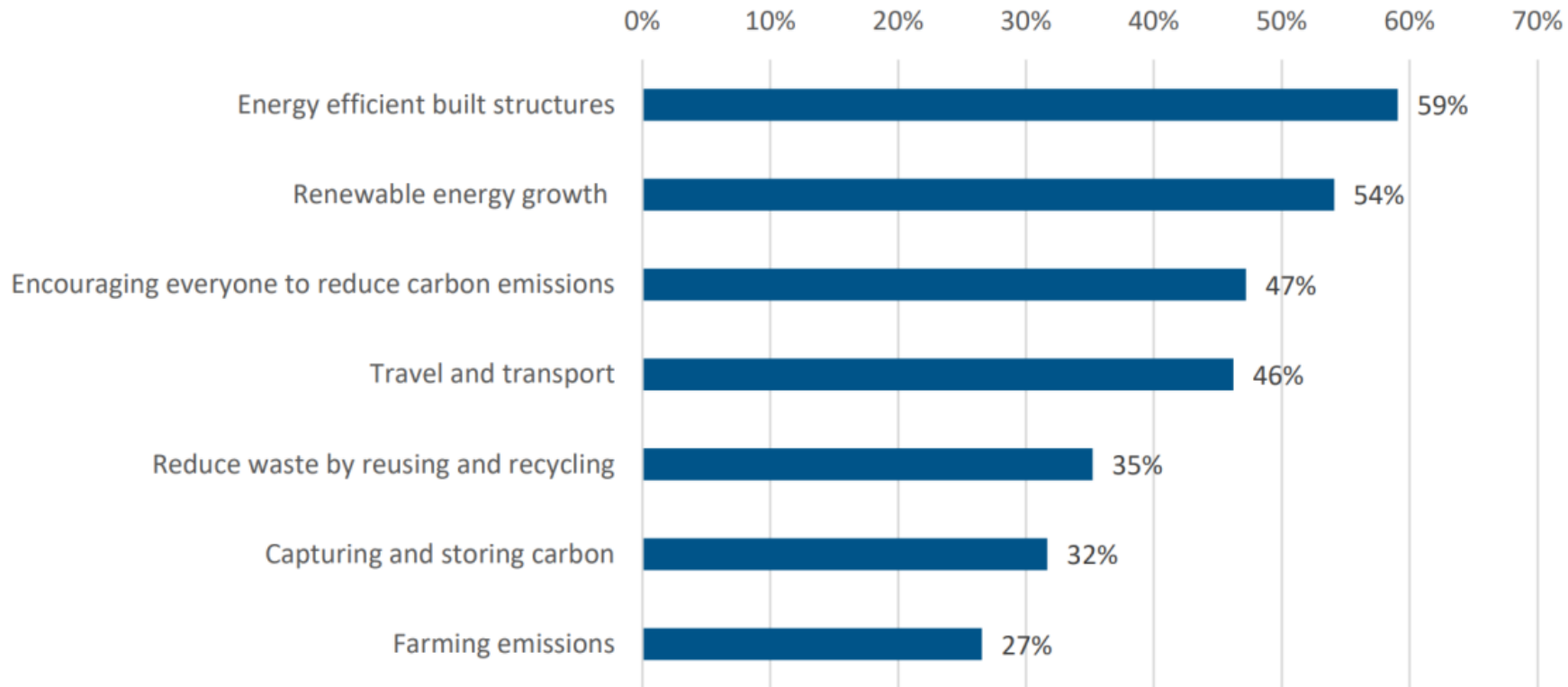


Figure 31: Confidence about approach helping nature to help us (n=1,141 responses)



Priorities for key actions

Figure 39: Top 3 priority key actions (n=1,307 responses)



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Priorities for key actions by ACC

Figure 40: Highest priorities for key actions for each ACC

Top 3 priority (all survey ranking: responses)	Harrogate & Knaresborough (n=183)	Richmond (n=156)	Scarborough & Whitby (n=114)	Selby & Ainsty (n=94)	Skipton & Ripon (n=172)	Thirsk & Malton (n=178)
	% (rank)	% (rank)	% (rank)	% (rank)	% (rank)	% (rank)
Energy efficient built structures (1)	57% (1)	63% (1)	53% (2)	59% (1)	58% (1)	63% (1)
Renewable energy growth (2)	54% (2)	59% (2)	58% (1)	50% (3)	54% (2=)	53% (2)
Encouraging everyone to reduce carbon emissions (3)	45% (4)	47% (3)	40% (5)	51% (2)	54% (2=)	46% (3)
Travel and transport (4)	53% (3)	46% (4)	46% (3)	47% (4)	44% (4)	43% (4)
Reduce waste by reusing and recycling (5)	31% (6)	35% (5)	44% (4)	46% (5)	30% (6)	31% (6)
Capturing and storing carbon (6)	34% (5)	22% (7)	34% (6)	28% (6)	29% (7)	31% (7)
Farming emissions (7)	26% (7)	28% (6)	25% (7)	20% (7)	31% (5)	33% (5)

There are some differences in top priorities for actions to be taken for different ACCs

Data into action

- Develop finalised NYC Climate Change strategy Done
- Develop NYC Climate Change Action Plan Ongoing
- Identify + develop area specific projects and actions Ongoing
- Develop NYC Climate Change Adaption Action Plan By March 2025



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