Salehurst & Robertsbridge Neighbourhood Plan Residents' Survey

Presented on 20th October 2015
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- Designed to provide community feedback on village plans up to 2028 including broader village improvements

- Requirement:
  - 155 new dwellings
  - significant (but unspecified) increase in commercial/industrial space

- Key subject areas:
  - housing
  - village amenities
  - infrastructure
  - environment
  - employment
  - classification

1b. Other comments

Traffic problems (mainly S&R but also A21 access)

Parking (and lack of enforcement)

Increased pressure on schools

Comments about sites

Focus on brownfield

Need for affordable housing

Flooding concerns

Retaining S&R's character

- Questionnaires issued to 1,196 households

- 804 households responded (67%) + 159 additional household members = 963

- Questionnaire available for completion in print (82%) or online (18%)

- Print questionnaires distributed and collected by street champions

- Slight re-weighting of sample by age, to reflect Salehurst & Robertsbridge population profile

- Given the lifestyle of Darvell Community, their results are excluded just from housing and employment

3. Today's presentation

The sample

Current and future housing

Site selection

Village amenities – retail, medical and leisure

Infrastructure

The environment
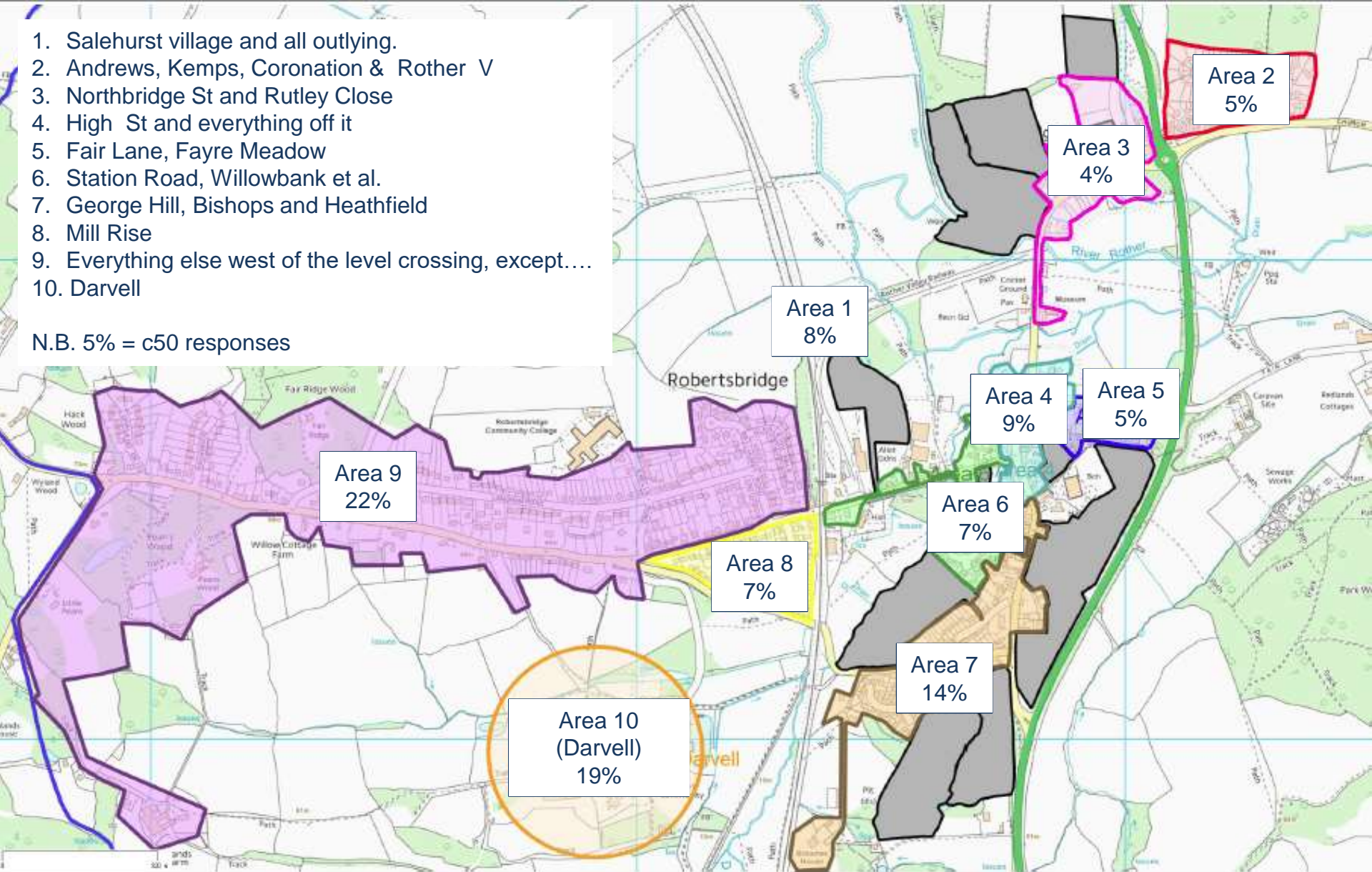
Employment premises

Summary of key findings

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5. Area profile (response)

1. Salehurst village and all outlying.
2. Andrews, Kemps, Coronation & Rother V
3. Northbridge St and Rutley Close
4. High St and everything off it
5. Fair Lane, Fayre Meadow
6. Station Road, Willowbank et al.
7. George Hill, Bishops and Heathfield
8. Mill Rise
9. Everything else west of the level crossing, except….
10. Darvell

N.B. 5% = c50 responses

Area 2
5%

Area 3
4%

Area 1
8%

Area 4
9%

Area 5
5%

Area 9
22%

Area 6
7%

Area 8
7%

Area 7
14%

Area 10
(Darvell)
19%

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6a. Demographics – sex and age

Q41, 42
Base: All weighted (963)

	%
Male	45
Female	51
<24	5
25 – 34	12 (8)
35 – 44	21 (15)
45 – 54	20
55 – 64	17
65+	25 (36)
Median age	50

* unweighted figures in brackets

6b. Demographics – household size

Q43, 44
Base: All weighted (963)

Legend:
- 0
- 1
- 2
- 3+

Adults: 27% (1), 52% (2), 19% (3+)

Children (Average 2.8): 62% (0), 13% (1), 16% (2), 9% (3+)

Total: 22% (1), 31% (2), 47% (3+)
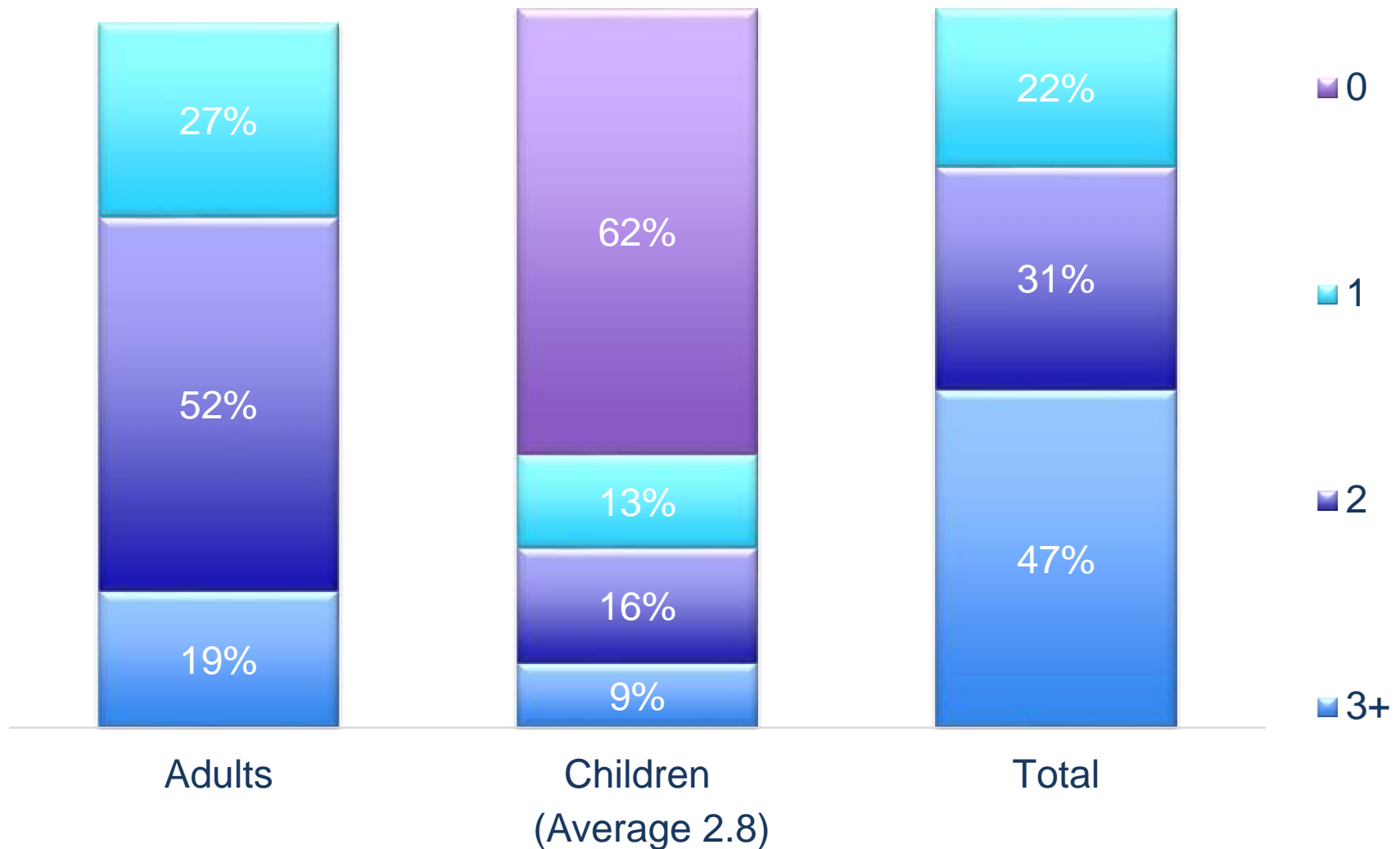
Q31. What is your current working status?
Base: All weighted (963)
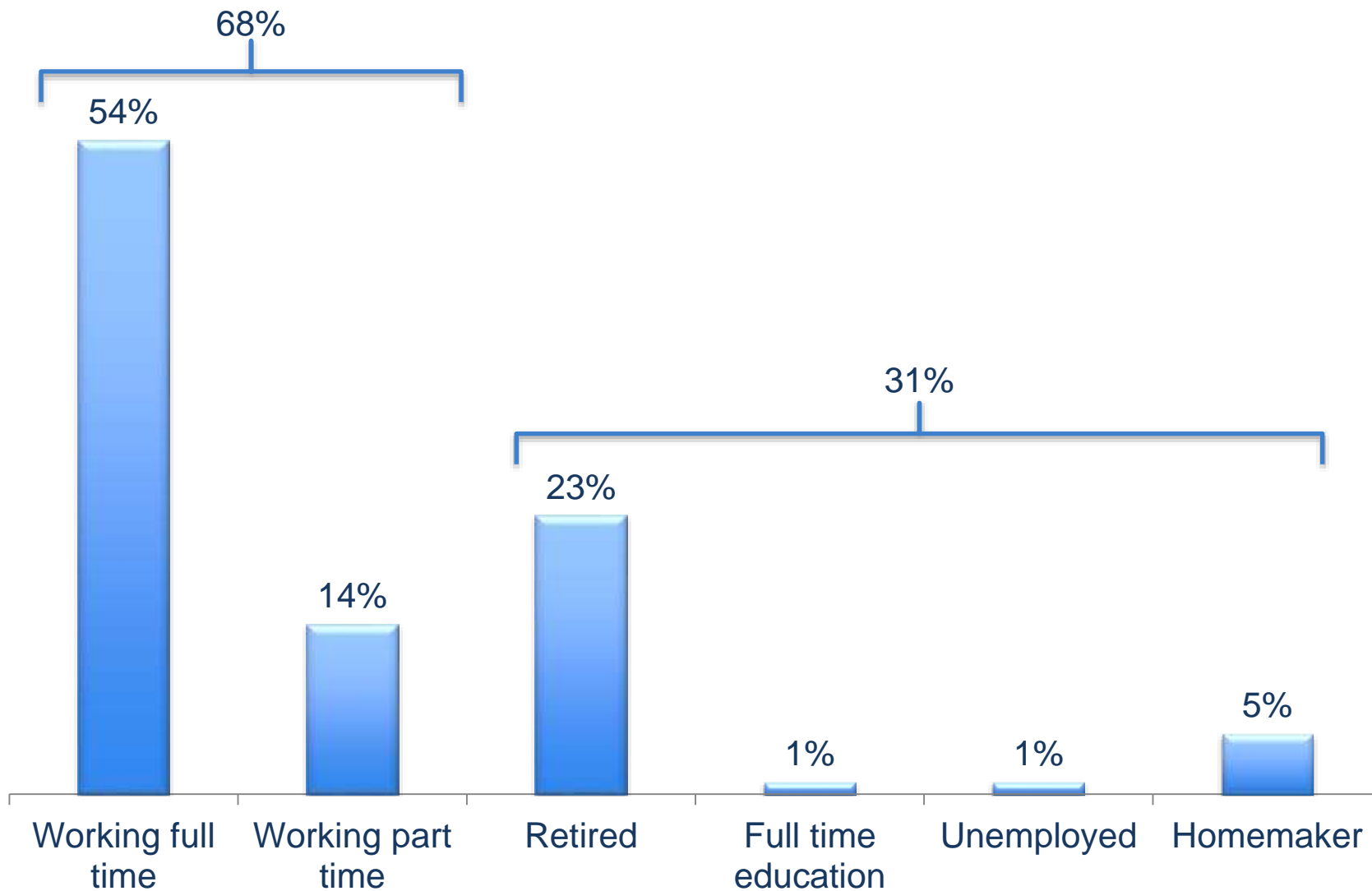
7. Residency

Q1. How long have you lived in S&R?
Base: All weighted (963)

Category	Percentage
<1 yr	5%
1-2 yrs	8%
3-5 yrs	14%
6-10 yrs	13%
11-20 yrs	25%
20-30 yrs	15%
30-50 yrs	12%
50+ yrs	6%
N/A	2%
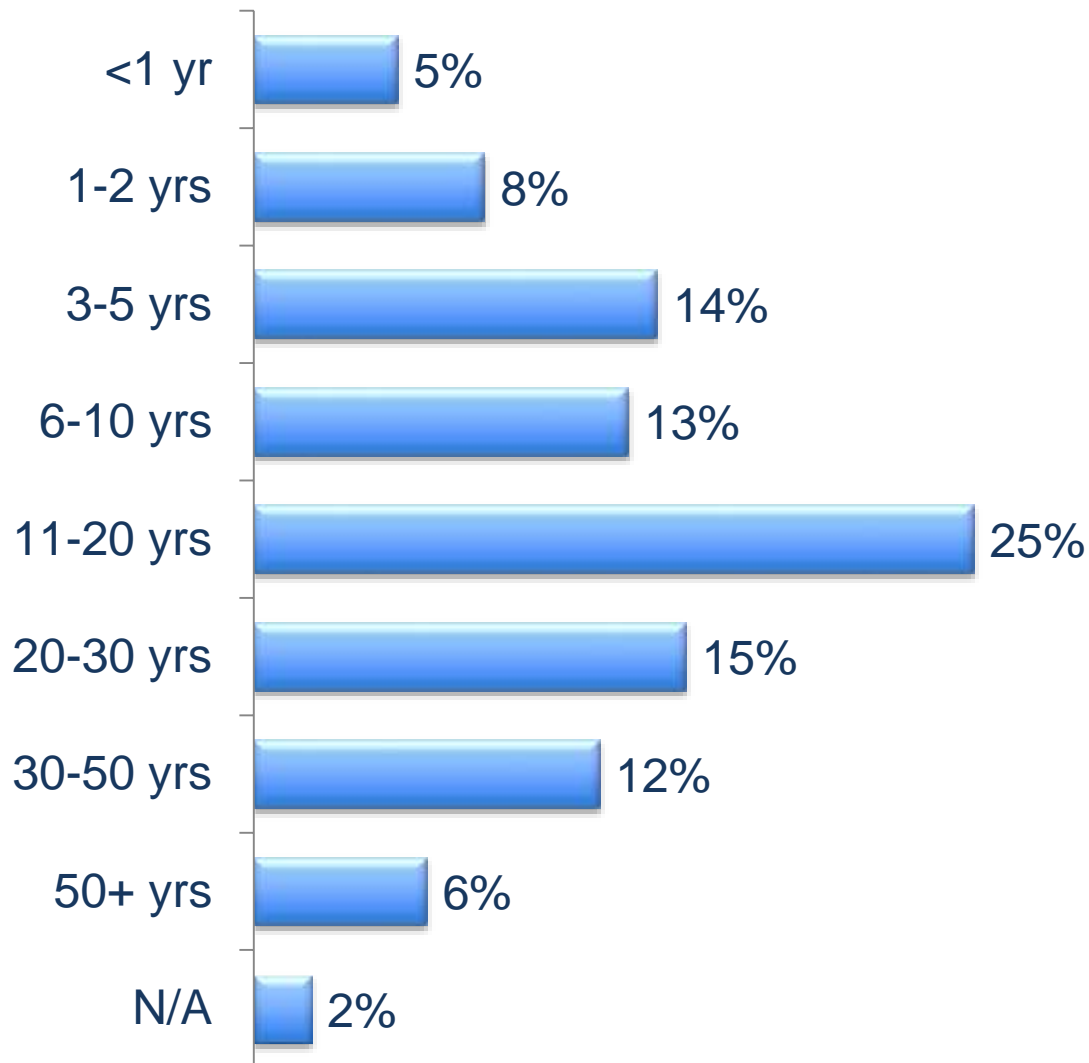
Average 18 years

9. Property

Q2. Which of these best describes your current home?
Base: All weighted (963)

Detached
28% (36%)

Converted flat/maisonette
24% (2%)

Semi-detached
21% (27%)

Terraced
16% (20%)

Bungalow
8% (11%)

Purpose built flat/maisonette
2% (2%)

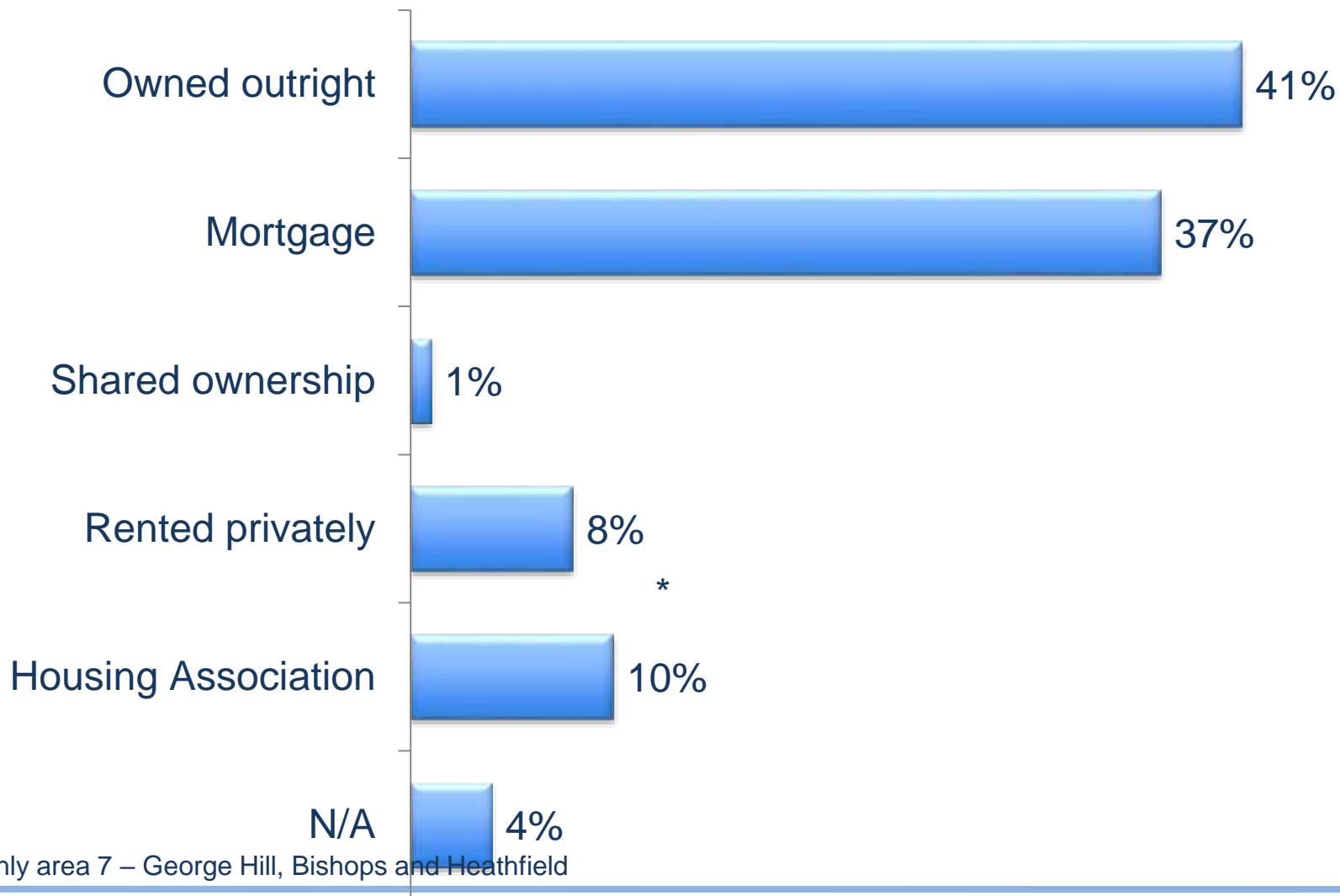* Figures in brackets exclude Darvell

Q3. Is your home?
Base: All weighted (779)
Darvell responses excluded.

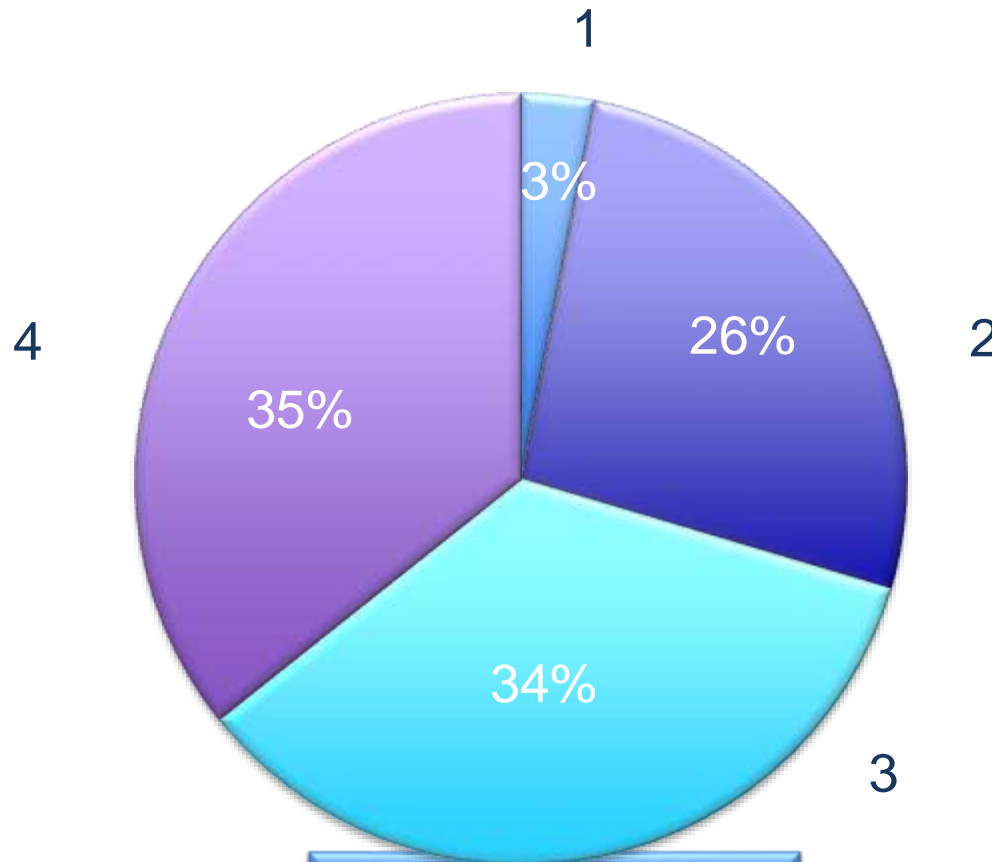| Category	Percentage
Owned outright	41%
Mortgage	37%
Shared ownership	1%
Rented privately	8%
Housing Association	10% *
N/A	4%

* Mainly area 7 – George Hill, Bishops and Heathfield

Q4. How many bedrooms do you have?
Base: All

All excluding Darvell (779)

1 — 3%
2 — 26%
3 — 34%
4 — 35%

Average = 3

4 in areas 8 & 9
(Mill Rise/West of level crossing)

?

13a. Moving plans

District	%
3. Northbridge St and Rutley Close	38%
6. Station Road, Willowbank et al	35%
8. Mill Rise	34%
1. Salehurst village and all outlying	30%
4. High St and everything off it	28%
7. George Hill, Bishops and Heathfield	26%
2. Andrews, Kemps, Coronation & Rother V	22%
5. Fair Lane, Fayre Meadow	17%
9. Everything else west of the level crossing	17%
10. Darvell	2%

All 26%

13b. Moving plans

Q6a. Do you have plans to move in the next 10 years?
Base: All weighted (963)

| Male | Female | <45 | 46-64 | 65+ | Working | Non-working | HH of 1 | HH of 2 | HH of 3+ |
| 18% | 23% | 26% | 19% | 14% | 23% | 16% | 21% | 15% | 23% |

All 20%
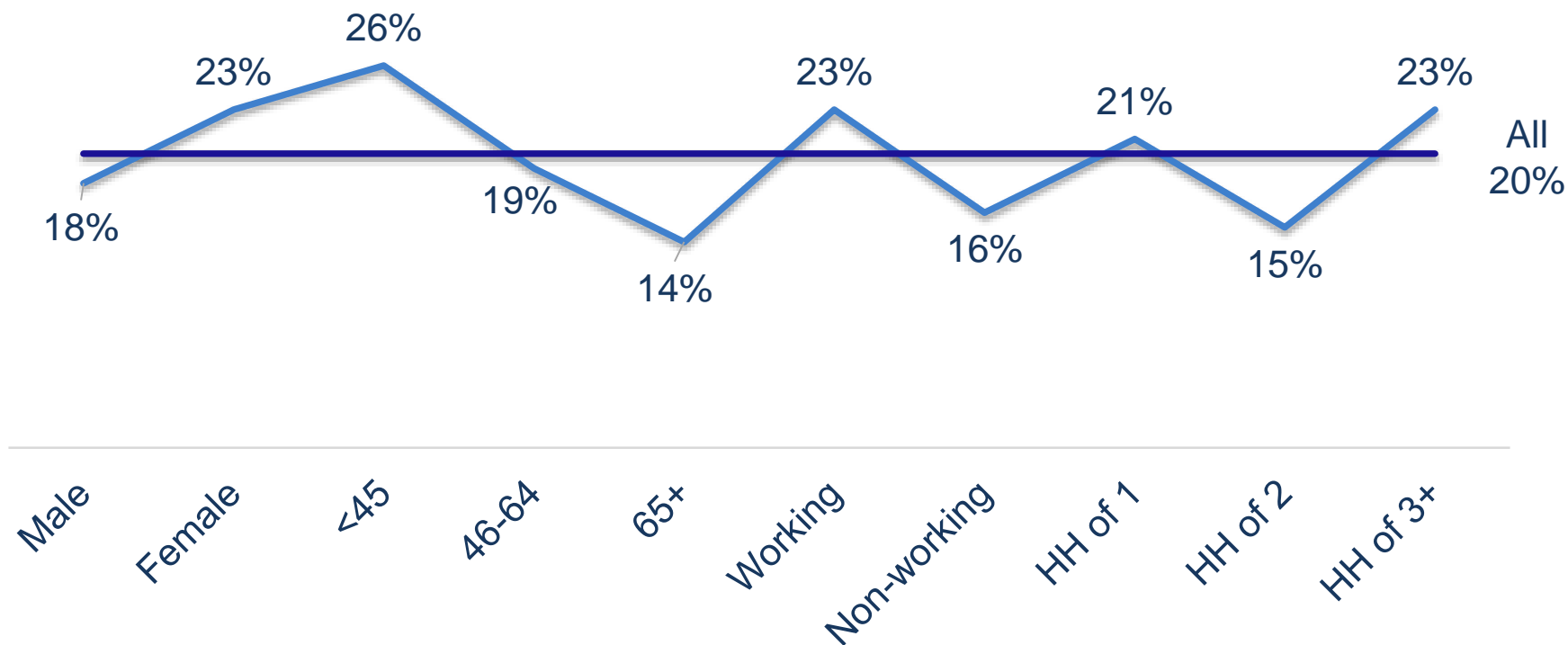
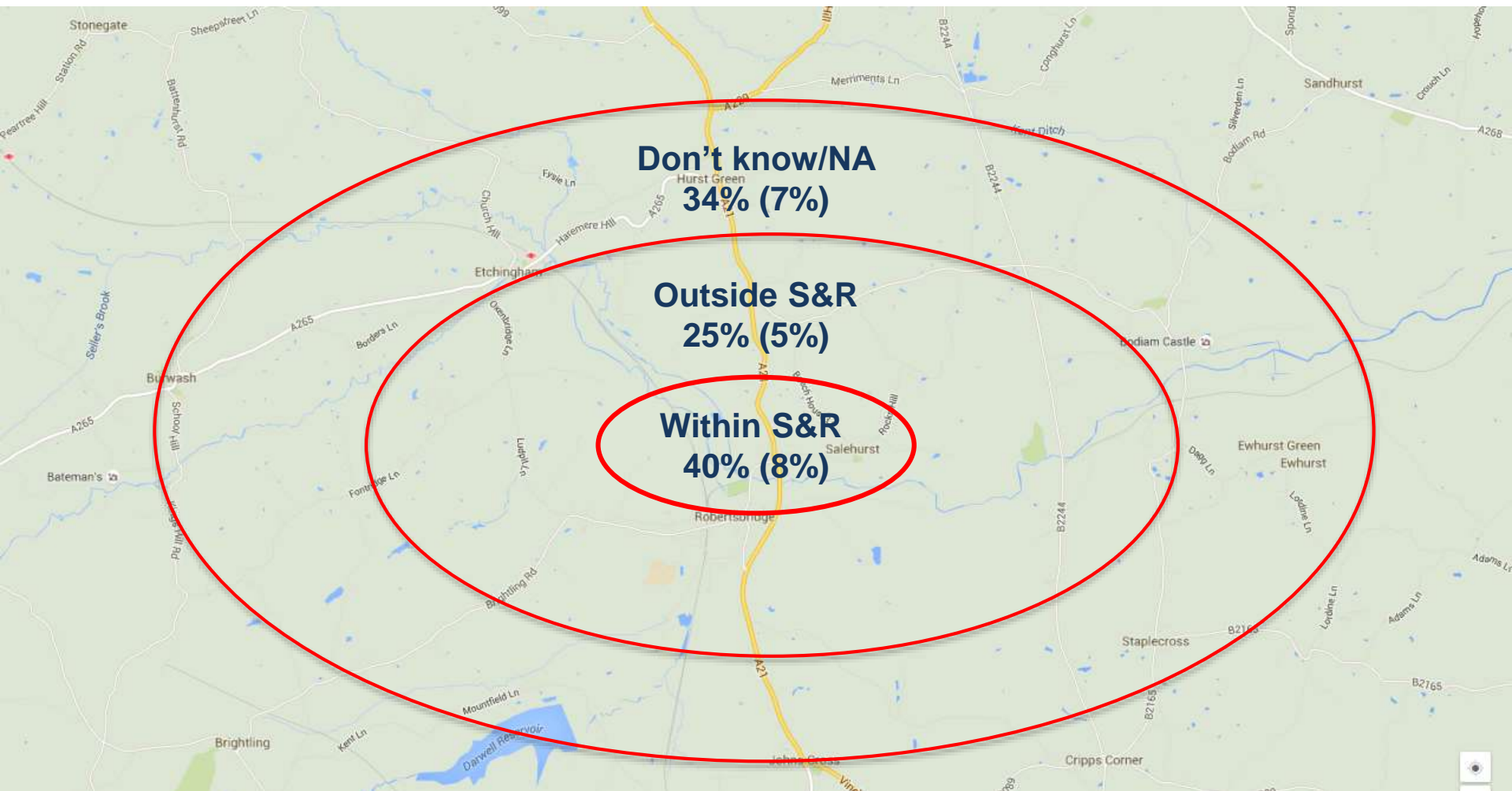# 14. Moving destination

Q6b. Where are you likely to move to?
Base: All planning to move (182)
(Figures in brackets based on total sample)

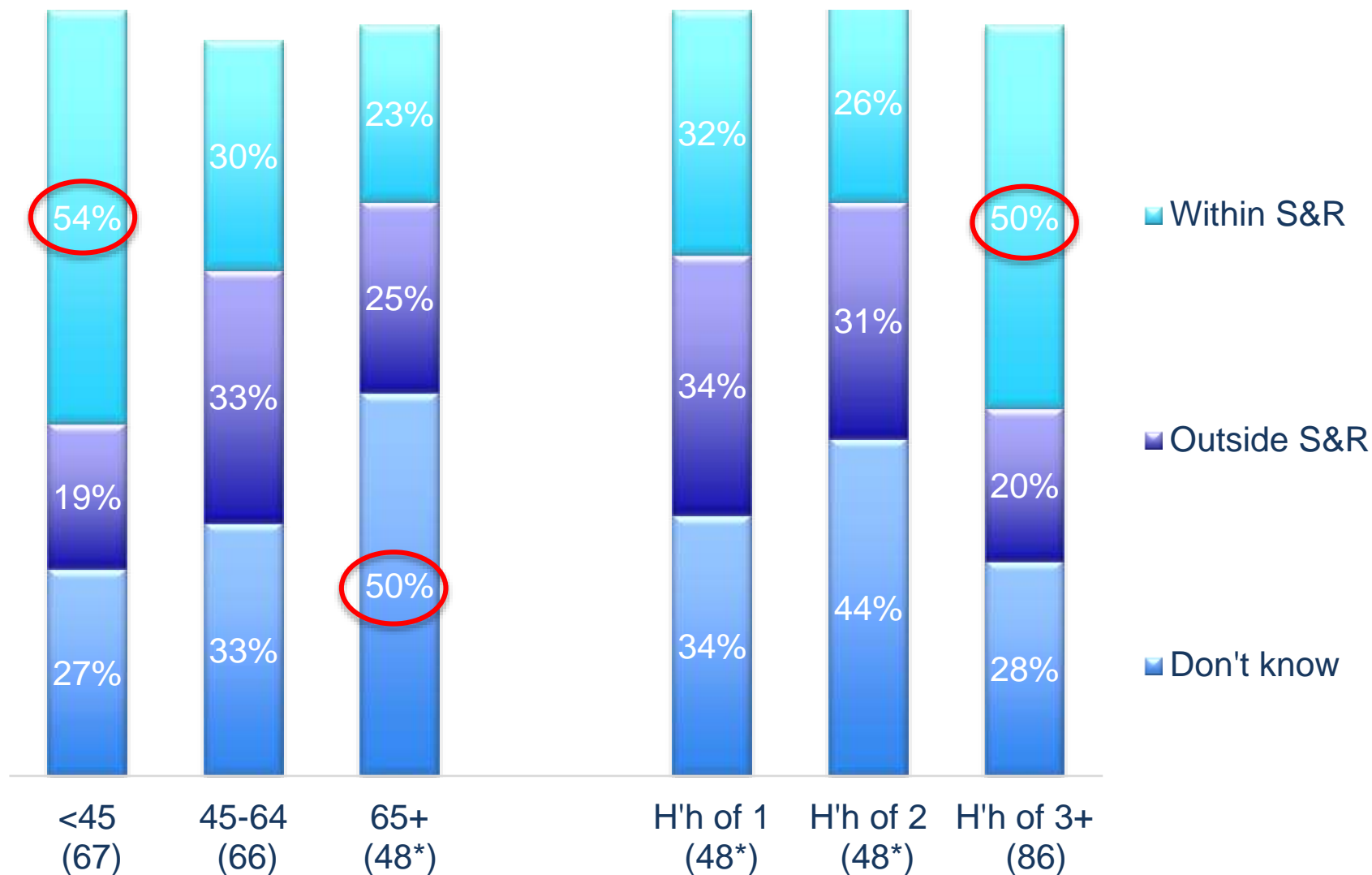**Don't know/NA**
34% (7%)

Outside S&R
25% (5%)

Within S&R
40% (8%)

N.B. Area bases too low to highlight significant differences

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15. Moving destination by age and household size

Q6b. Where are you likely to move to?
Base: All planning to move
* N.B. Small base size, treat data with caution

Legend:
- Within S&R
- Outside S&R
- Don't know

	<45 (67)	45-64 (66)	65+ (48*)	H'h of 1 (48*)	H'h of 2 (48*)	H'h of 3+ (86)
Within S&R	54%	30%	23%	32%	26%	50%
Outside S&R	19%	33%	25%	34%	31%	20%
Don't know	27%	33%	50%	34%	44%	28%

16. Moving out reasons

Q7. If you're likely to move out of S&R please tell us why
Base: All moving out of S&R (48*)   *N.B. Small base size, treat data with caution

**House prices
23%**

**Family reasons
26%**

**Employment reasons
25%**

**Property sizes
15%**

**Property
availability
12%**

**Renting cost
8%**

Other reasons = 41%
Mainly downsizing/age. 7 mentions anti-S&R

17. Accommodation needs

Q8. What type of accommodation are you likely to need?
Base: All planning to move in 10 years

	All (182) %	Current property		
		Detached (71) %	Semi (38*) %	Terrace (43*) %
Detached	36	54	33	37
Semi detached	24	13	30	34
Bungalow	12	12	10	9
Purpose built flat	8	6	8	10
Terrace	7	1	9	8
Converted flat	5	7	2	2
Private retirement home	2	3	3	-
Care/nursing home	1	1	-	-
Housing Association retirement home	1	-	2	-
N/A	4	4	2	1

* N.B. Small base size, treat data with caution
  N.B. All other bases too small to analyse

18. Bedroom needs

Q9. How many bedrooms are you likely to need?
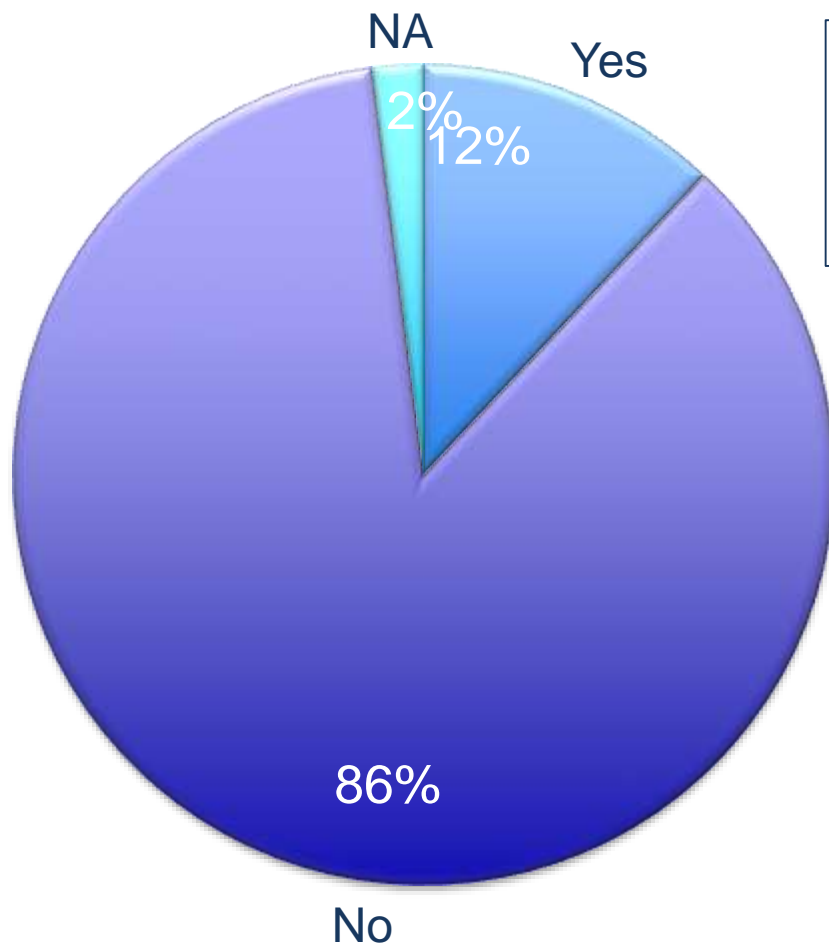Base: All planning to move in 10 years
* N.B. Small bases, treat data with caution

	All (182) %	Current Bedrooms			
		1 (13*) %	2 (37*) %	3 (62) %	4+ (70) %
1	8	23	8	7	6
2	28	38	34	27	24
3	40	28	54	41	33
4+	23	10	4	25	35
N/A	1	-	-	-	2
Average number	3	2.4	2.6	3.1	3.3

Q10. Do you have any family members who have moved away from S&R and would like to move back?
Base: All weighted (963)

N.B.
Reported need, so treat data with caution
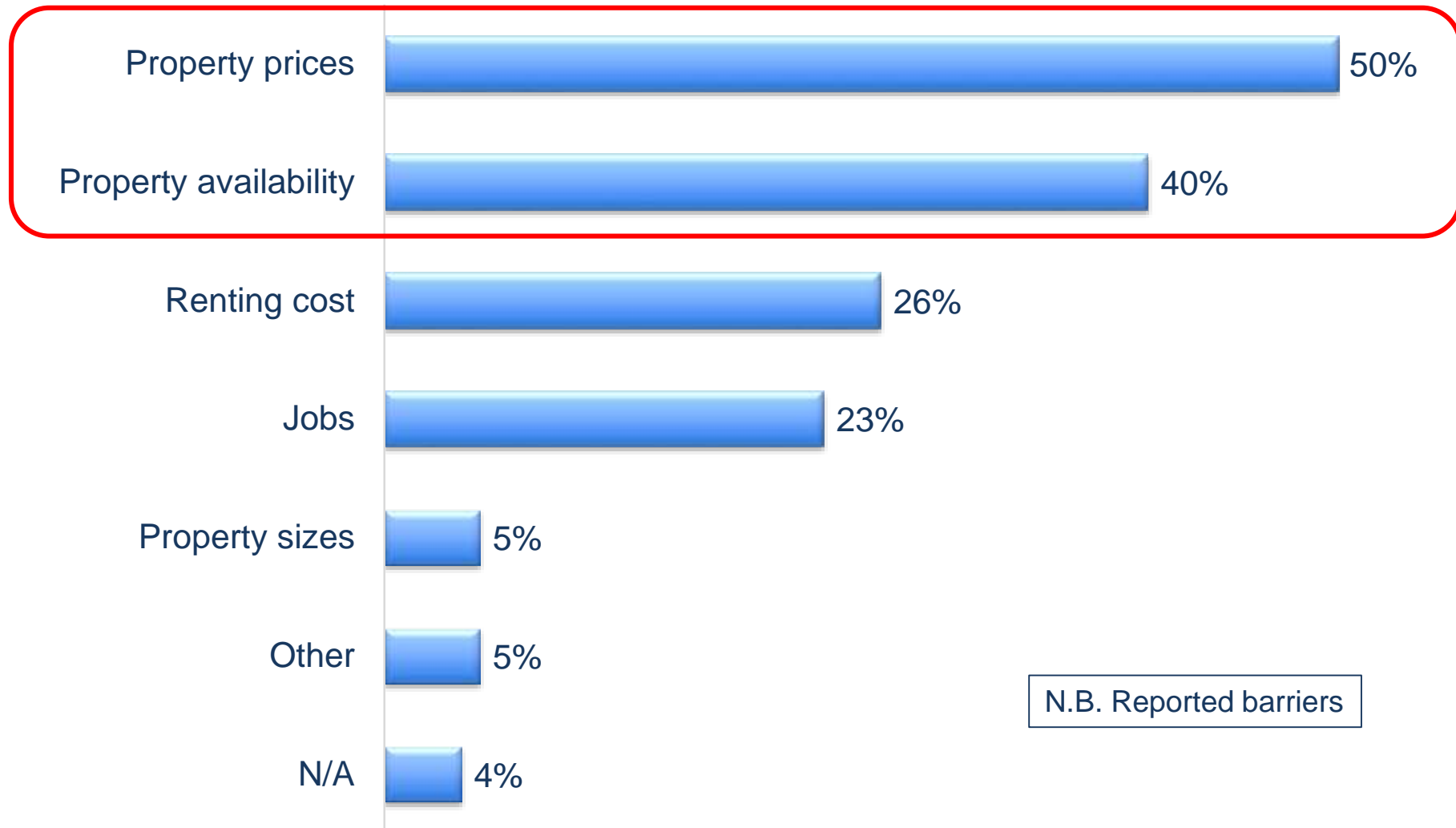Low significant variations
ex 30% Area 2
(Andrews, Kemps, Coronation & Rother V)

20. Family member moving barriers

Q11. Which, if any, of these reasons is preventing them from moving back to S&R?
Base: Those with family wanting to move back (114)

Barrier	Percentage
Property prices	50%
Property availability	40%
Renting cost	26%
Jobs	23%
Property sizes	5%
Other	5%
N/A	4%

N.B. Reported barriers

21a. Family member needs

Q12. What type of housing do you think they would need?
Base: Those with family wanting to move back (114)

N.B. Reported needs

Semi-detached
33%

Converted flat/maisonette
18%

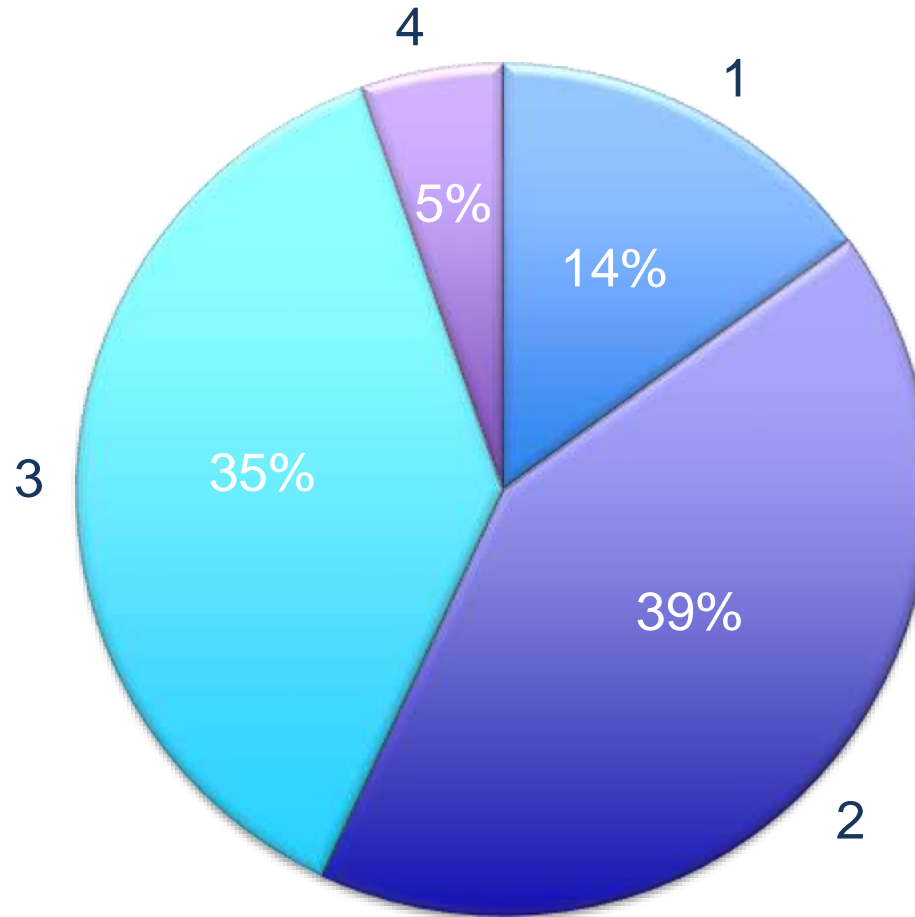Terraced
16%

Detached
12%

Bungalow
8%

Purpose built flat/maisonette
6%

Private retirement home: 1%, Housing Association retirement home: 1%, N/A: 5%

21b. Bedrooms

Q13. And how many bedrooms are they likely to need?
Base: Those with family wanting to move back (114)

N.B. Reported needs

Average = 2.4

22. Combined housing needs

Base: All planning to move/those with family planning to move back (267)
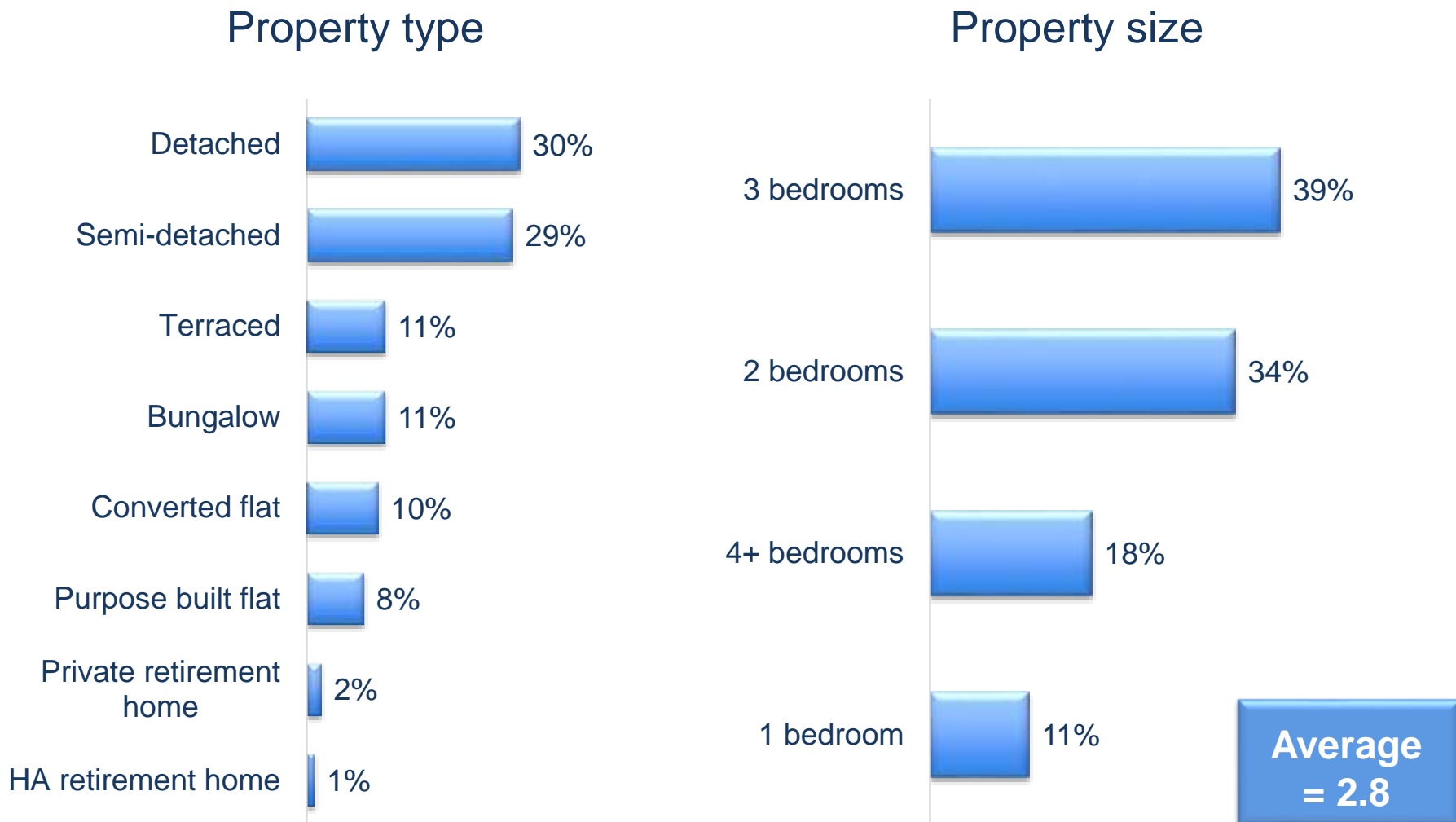
Property type

Detached	30%
Semi-detached	29%
Terraced	11%
Bungalow	11%
Converted flat	10%
Purpose built flat	8%
Private retirement home	2%
HA retirement home	1%

Property size

3 bedrooms	39%
2 bedrooms	34%
4+ bedrooms	18%
1 bedroom	11%

Average = 2.8

23a. Housing types most needed

Q14. Thinking about the future housing needs of the village in general, which types of homes do you think are **most** needed?
(Please tick up to 5 only, out of the following 14 options)
Base: All weighted (963)

Housing type	%
2 bedroom house	56%
3 bedroom house	54%
Energy/water efficient	43%
Housing association retirement	43%
Private retirement	33%
Shared ownership	31%
Rented HA	31%

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23b. Housing types most needed

Q14. Thinking about the future housing needs of the village in general, which types of homes do you think are **most** needed?
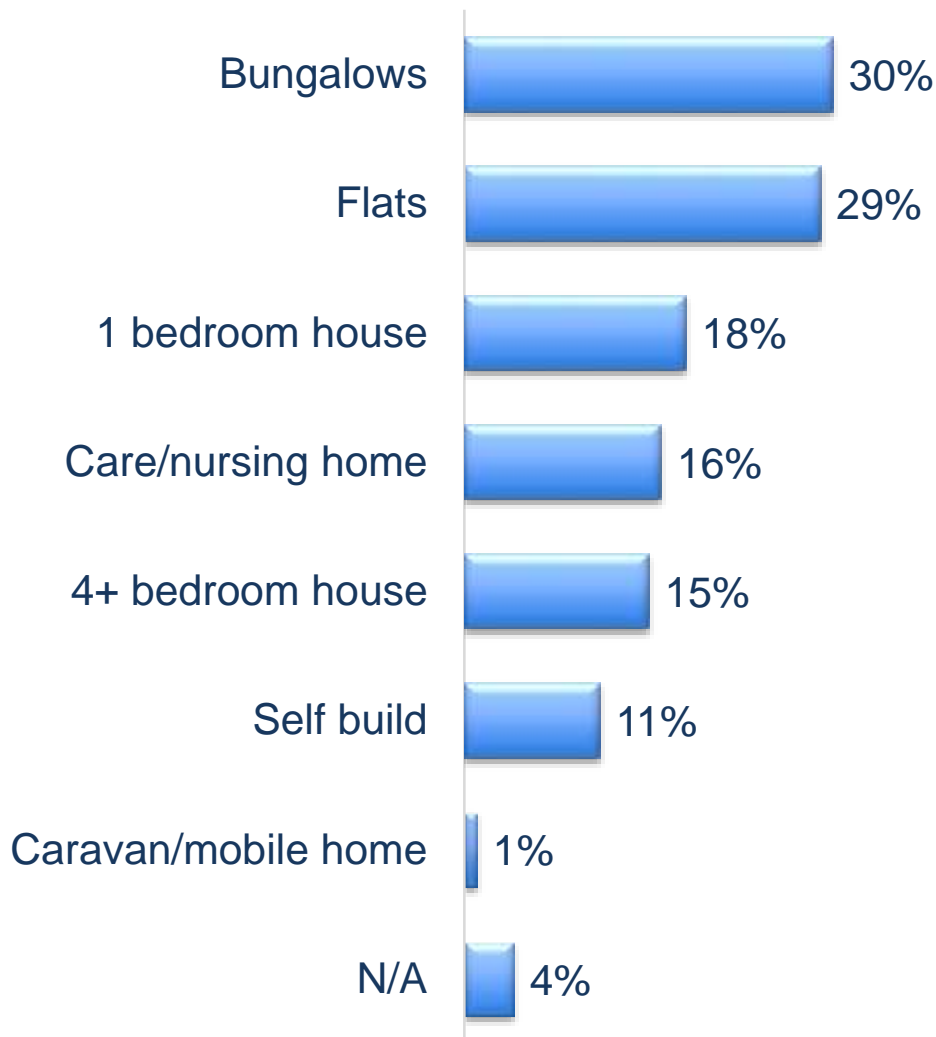*(Please tick up to 5 only, out of the following 14 options)*
Base: All weighted (963)

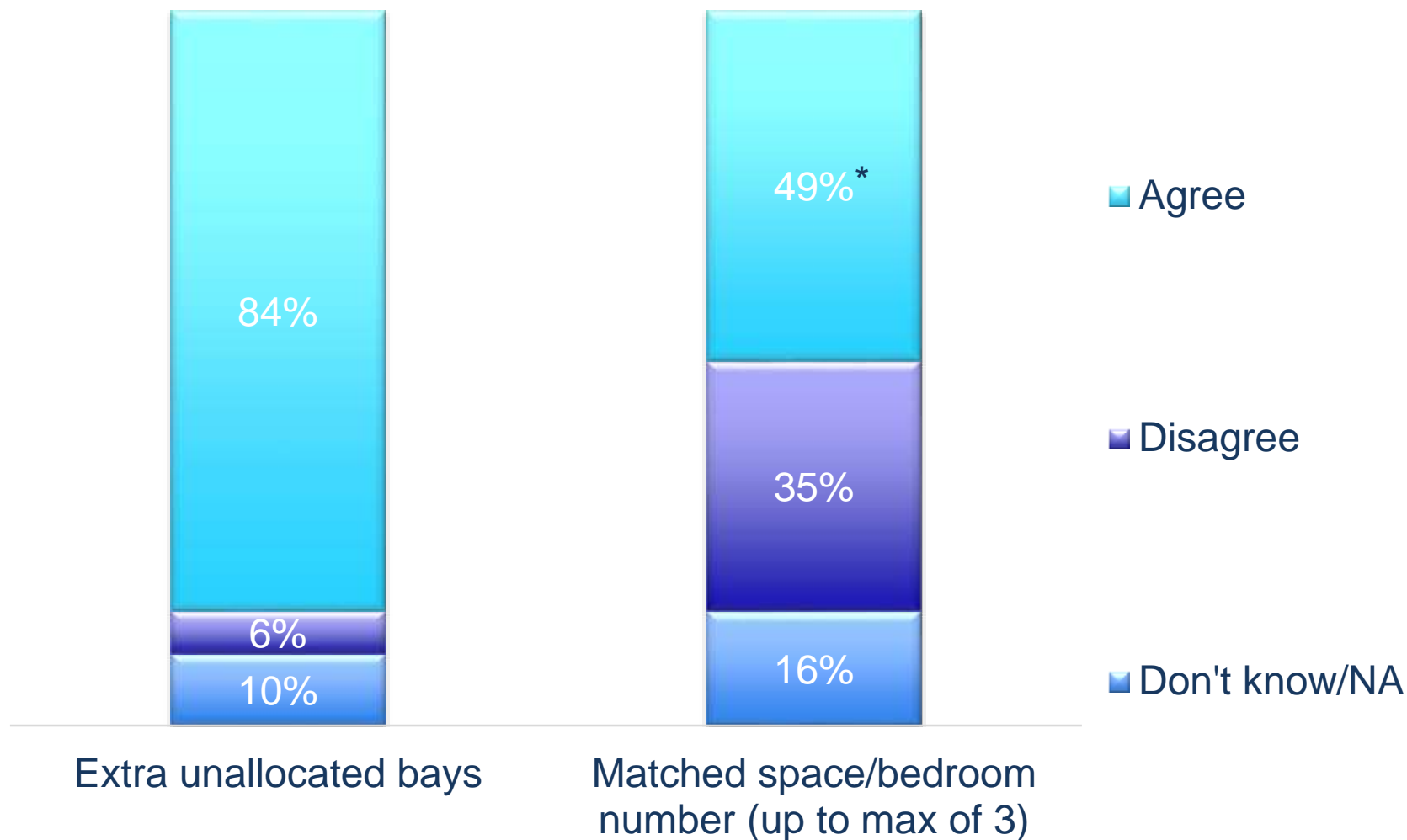| Housing type	Percentage
Bungalows	30%
Flats	29%
1 bedroom house	18%
Care/nursing home	16%
4+ bedroom house	15%
Self build	11%
Caravan/mobile home	1%
N/A	4%
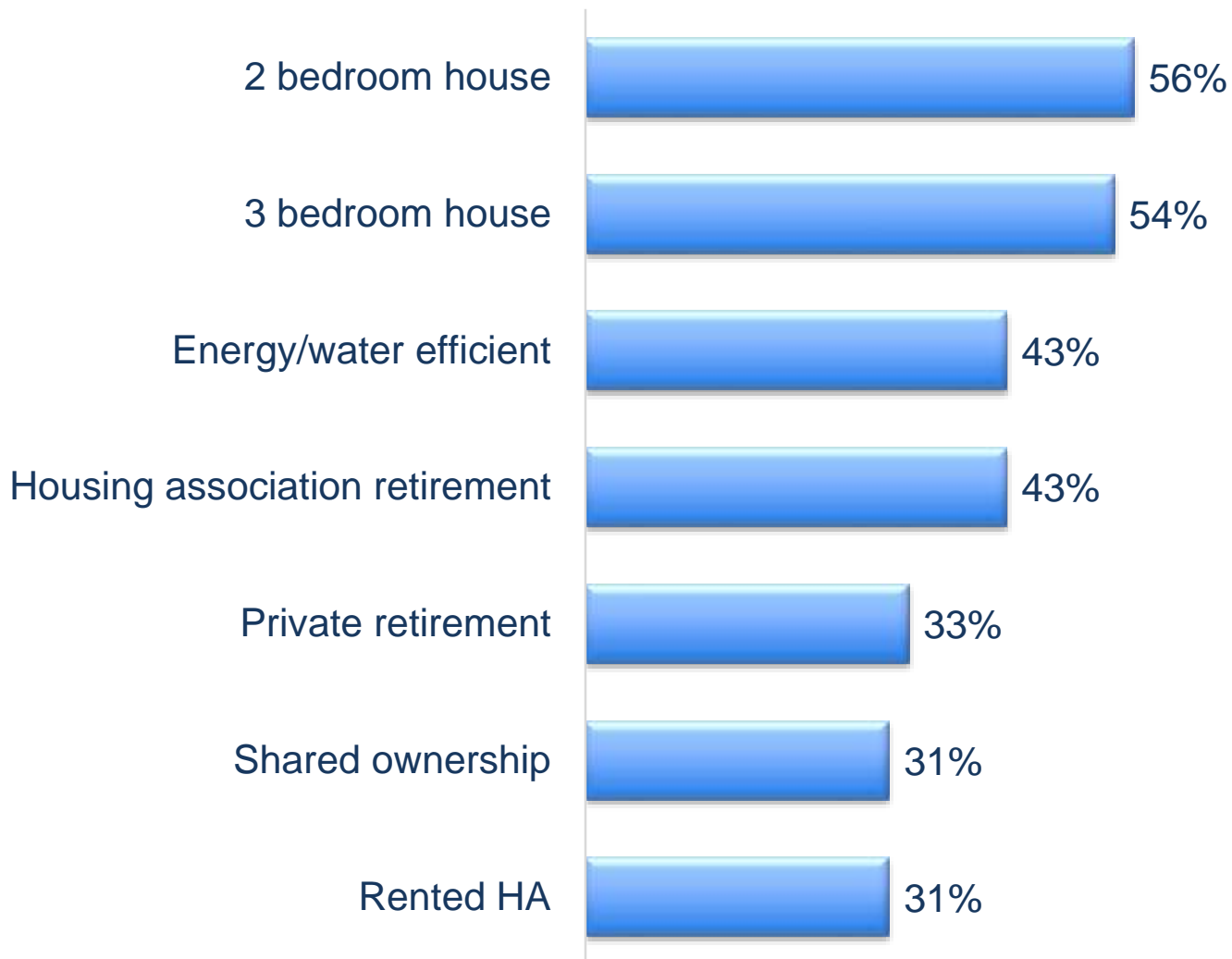
24. Parking provision

Q17. On-site car parking would need to be provided as part of any new housing development. Do you agree or disagree that:
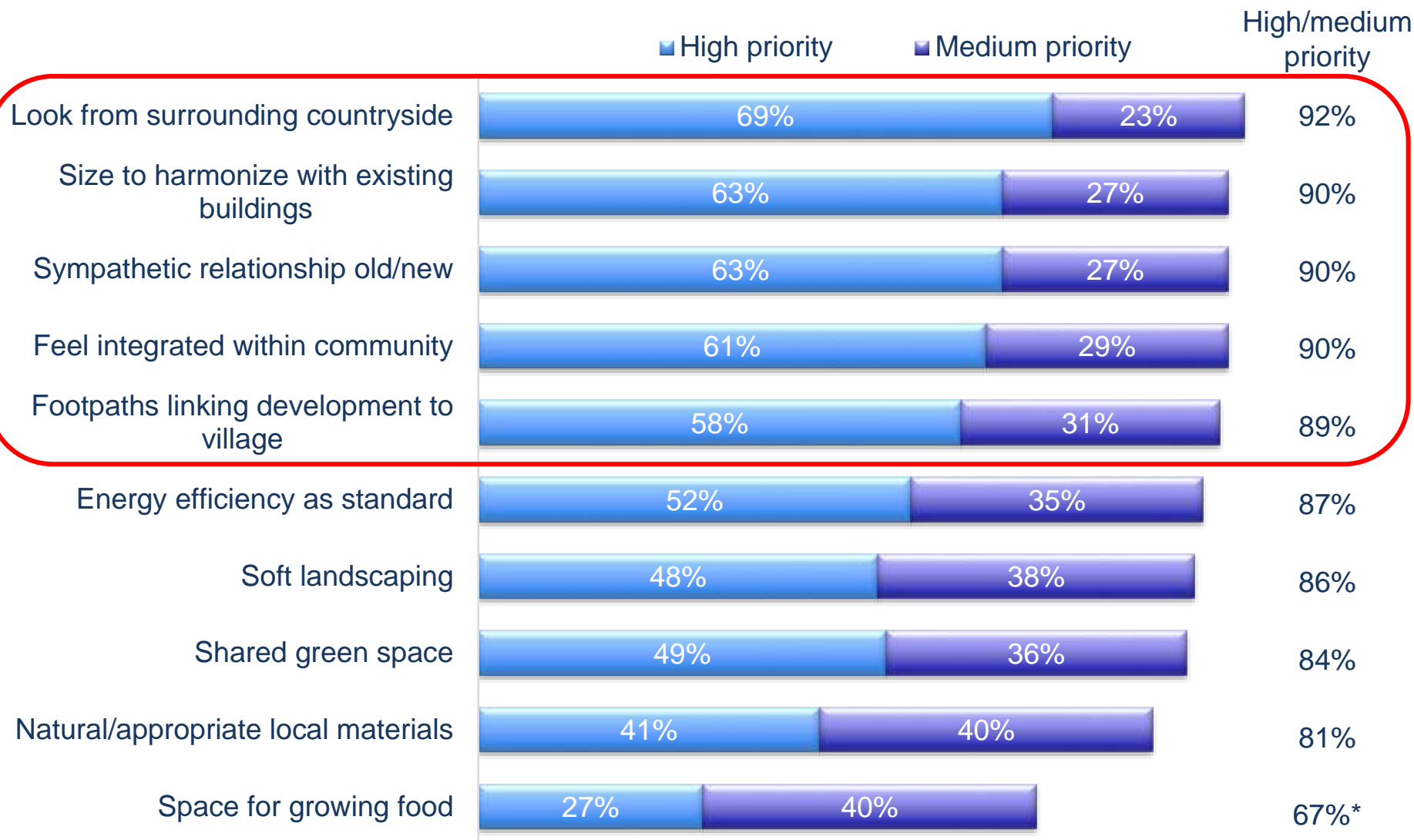Base: All weighted (963)

Extra unallocated bays

Matched space/bedroom
number (up to max of 3)

- Agree
- Disagree
- Don't know/NA

25. Housing design criteria

Q15. Thinking about the design of any new housing developments in S&R, how important are each of the following?
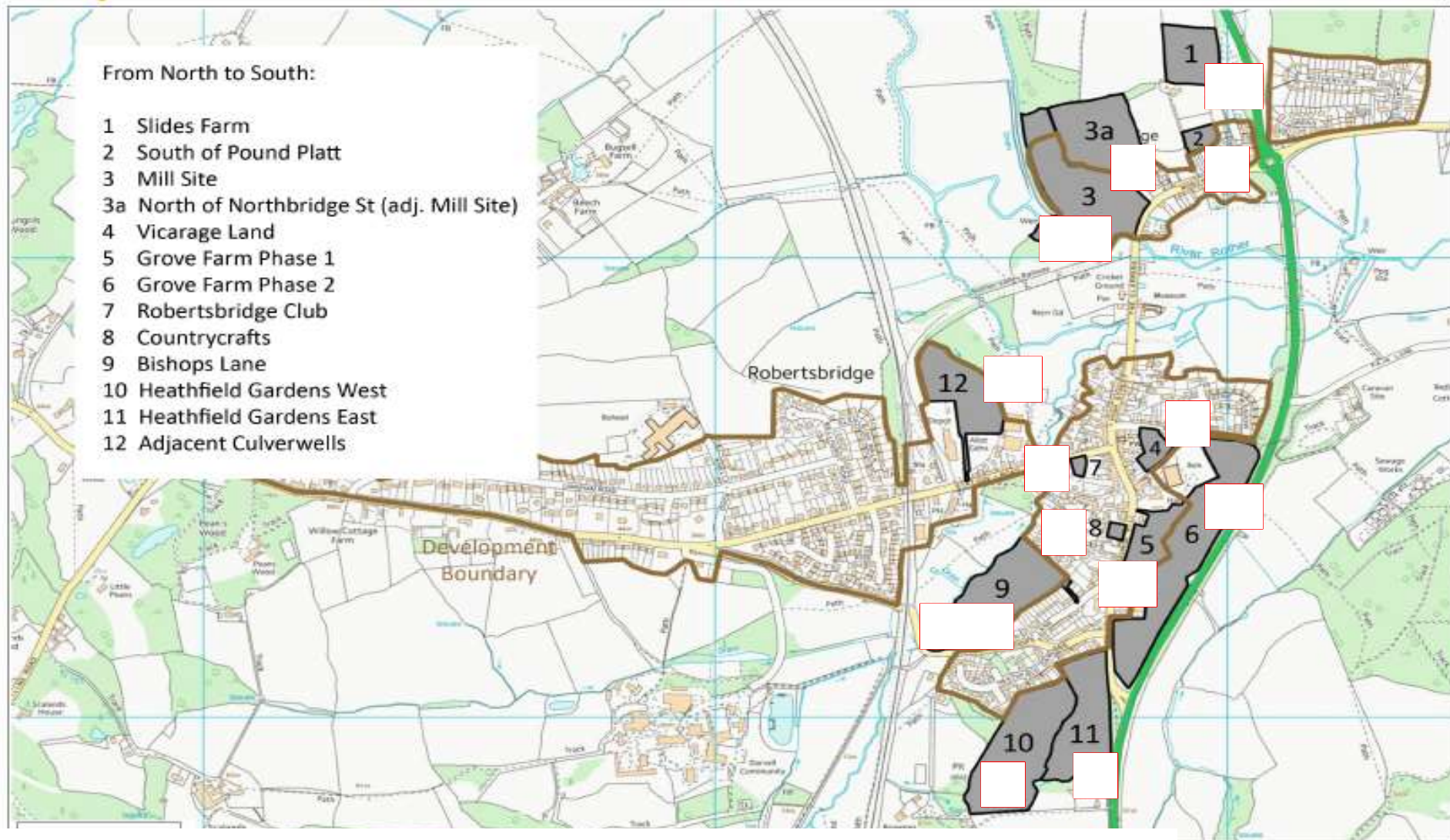Base: All weighted (963)

	High priority	Medium priority	High/medium priority
Look from surrounding countryside	69%	23%	92%
Size to harmonize with existing buildings	63%	27%	90%
Sympathetic relationship old/new	63%	27%	90%
Feel integrated within community	61%	29%	90%
Footpaths linking development to village	58%	31%	89%
Energy efficiency as standard	52%	35%	87%
Soft landscaping	48%	38%	86%
Shared green space	49%	36%	84%
Natural/appropriate local materials	41%	40%	81%
Space for growing food	27%	40%	67%*

*20% not needed

From North to South:
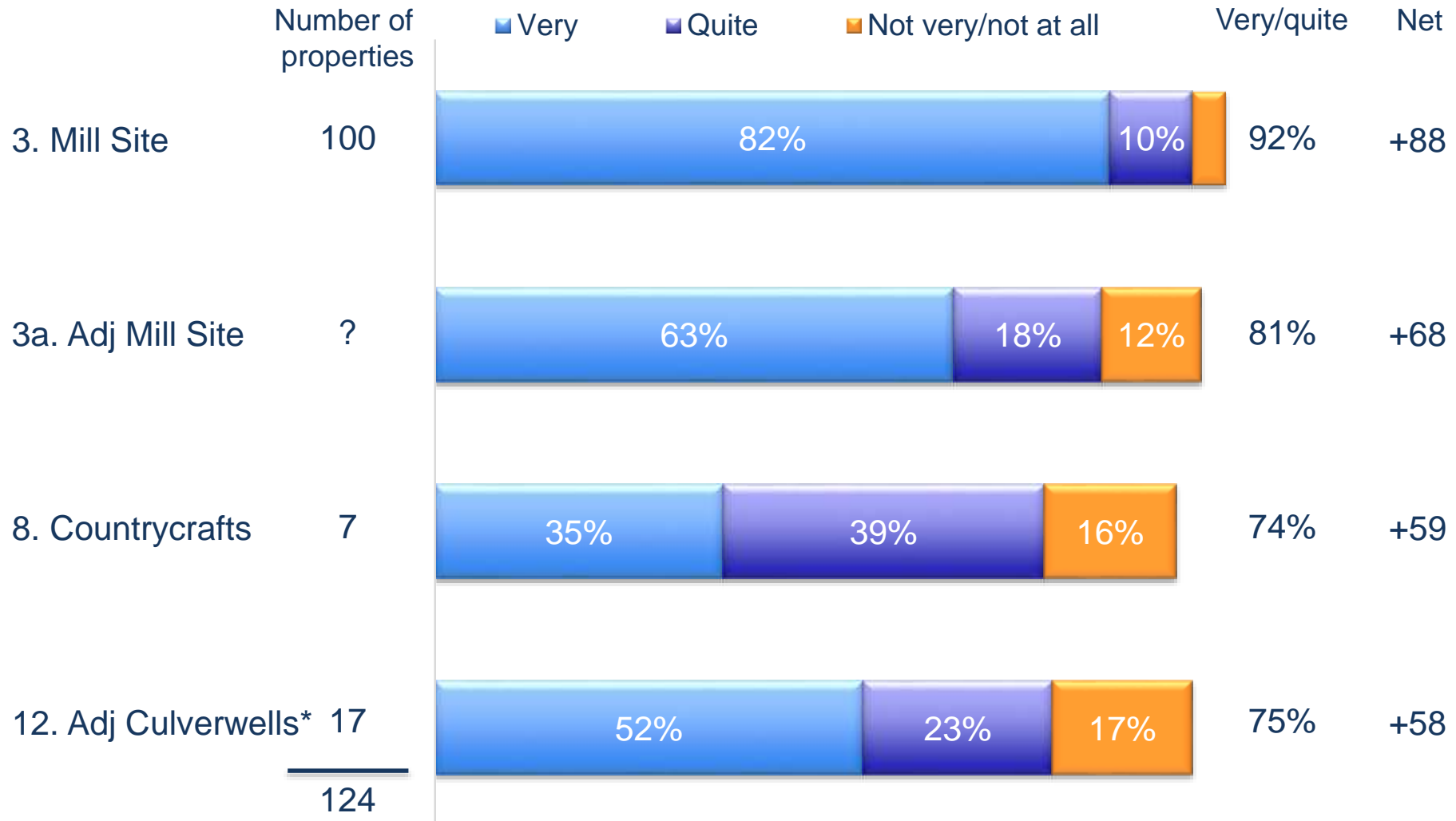
1. Slides Farm
2. South of Pound Platt
3. Mill Site
3a. North of Northbridge St (adj. Mill Site)
4. Vicarage Land
5. Grove Farm Phase 1
6. Grove Farm Phase 2
7. Robertsbridge Club
8. Countrycrafts
9. Bishops Lane
10. Heathfield Gardens West
11. Heathfield Gardens East
12. Adjacent Culverwells

Sites proposed at July 2015

Salehurst and Robertsbridge CP

Q16. A number of sites have been put forward for possible development. Though some sites may not be suitable for development until a site assessment has been done, we're interested in your views on each of them.
Base: All weighted (963)

	Number of properties	Very	Quite	Not very/not at all	Very/quite	Net
3. Mill Site	100	82%	10%		92%	+88
3a. Adj Mill Site	?	63%	18%	12%	81%	+68
8. Countrycrafts	7	35%	39%	16%	74%	+59
12. Adj Culverwells*	17	52%	23%	17%	75%	+58
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*Permission granted

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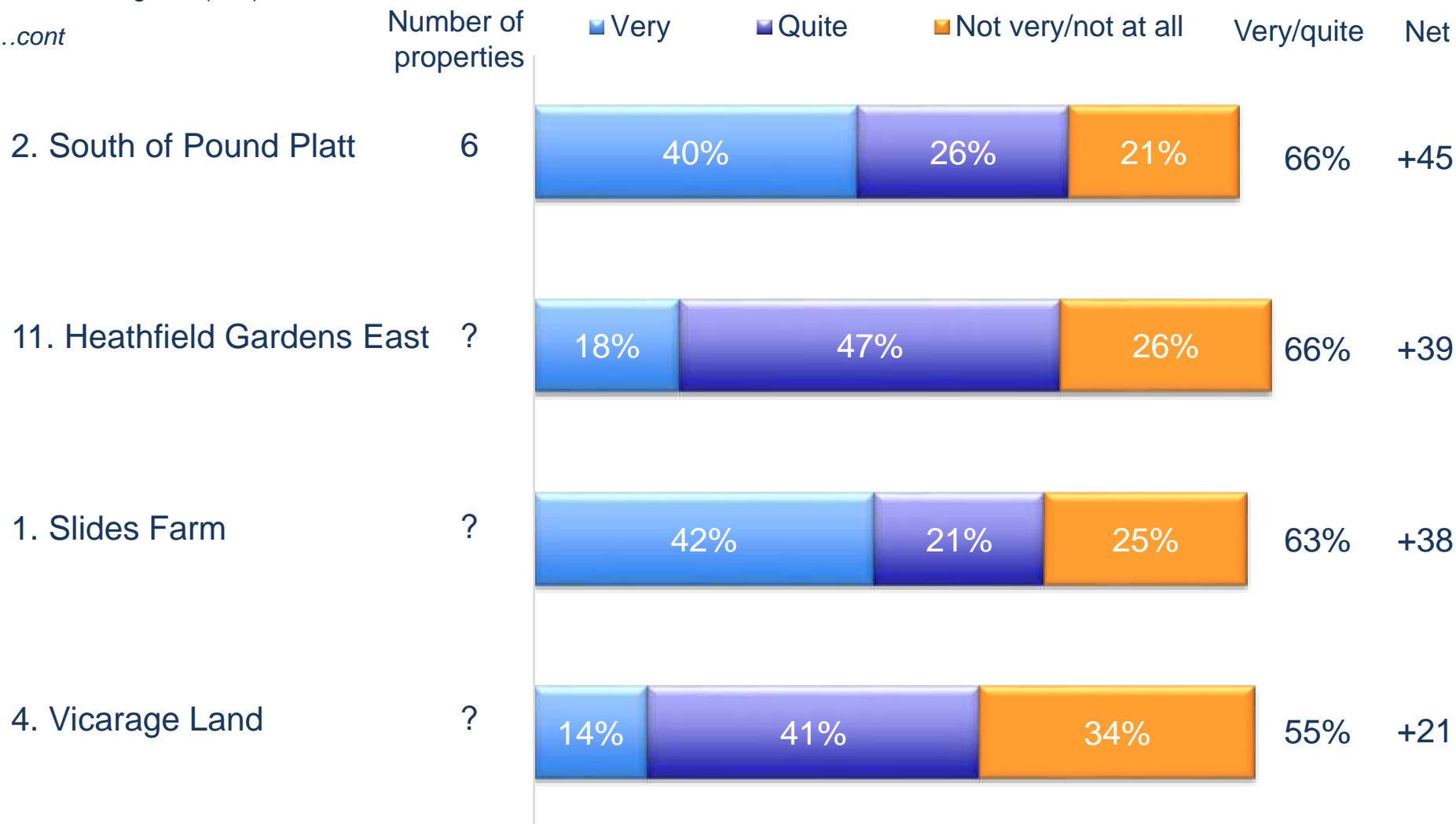|	Number of properties	Very	Quite	Not very/not at all	Very/quite	Net
2. South of Pound Platt	6	40%	26%	21%	66%	+45
11. Heathfield Gardens East	?	18%	47%	26%	66%	+39
1. Slides Farm	?	42%	21%	25%	63%	+38
4. Vicarage Land	?	14%	41%	34%	55%	+21

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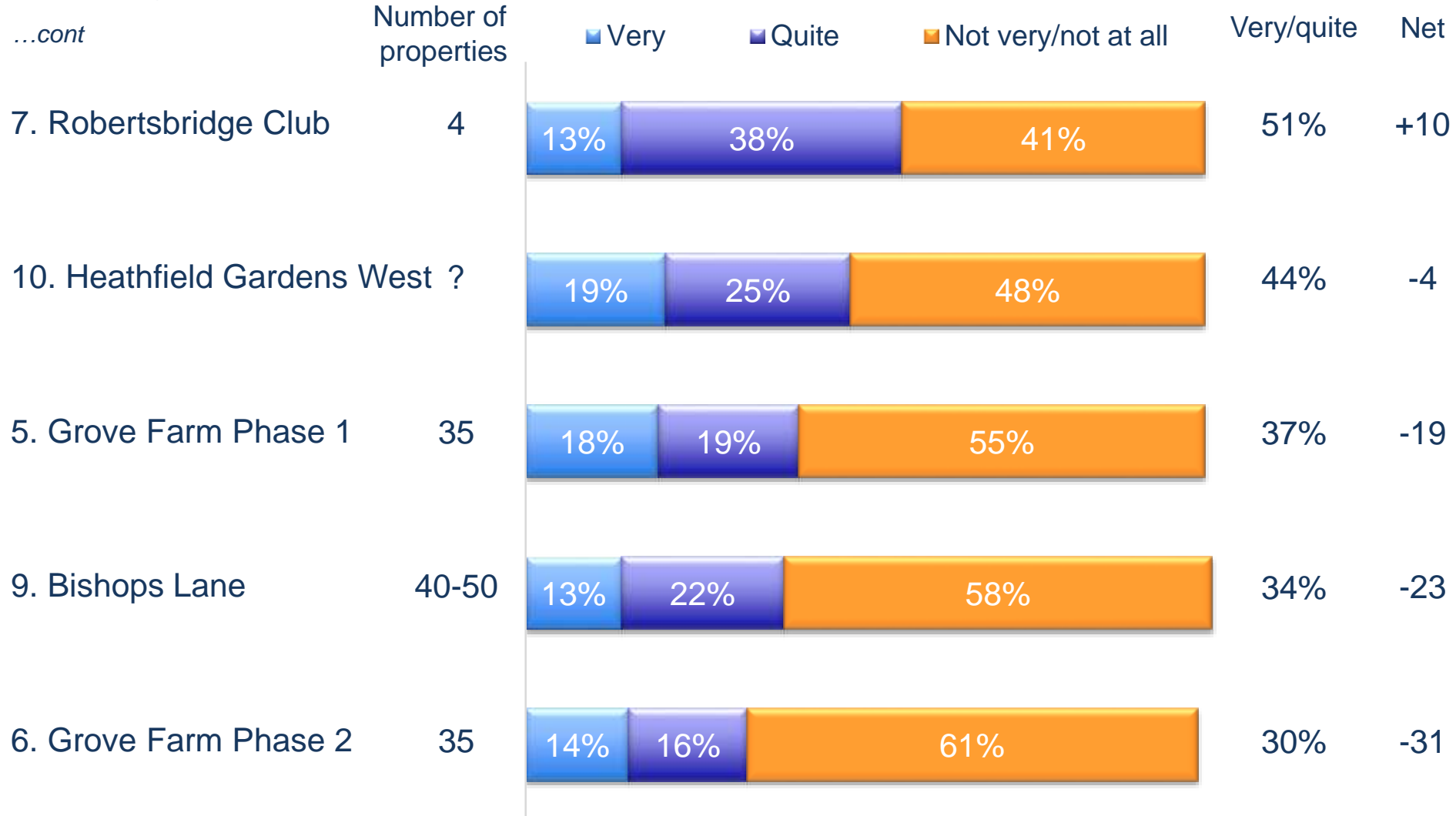Base: All weighted (963)

…cont	Number of properties	■ Very	■ Quite	■ Not very/not at all	Very/quite	Net
7. Robertsbridge Club	4	13%	38%	41%	51%	+10
10. Heathfield Gardens West	?	19%	25%	48%	44%	-4
5. Grove Farm Phase 1	35	18%	19%	55%	37%	-19
9. Bishops Lane	40-50	13%	22%	58%	34%	-23
6. Grove Farm Phase 2	35	14%	16%	61%	30%	-31

| Net scores	Site 3 Mill Site	Site 3a Adj Mill Site	Site 8 Countrycrafts	Site 12 Adj. Culverwells
Number of properties	100	?	7	17
Total excl. Darvell	+84	+59	+49	+47
1. Salehurst village and all outlying	83	46	43	53
2. Andrews, Kemps, Coronation & Rother V	81	50	37	41
3. Northbridge St and Rutley Close	71	-20	72	68
4. High St and everything off it	73	57	45	37
5. Fair Lane, Fayre Meadow	73	55	46	39
6. Station Road, Willowbank et al.	97	72	50	45
7. George Hill, Bishops and Heathfield	89	74	53	52
8. Mill Rise	86	66	66	42
9. Everything else west of the level crossing	87	68	43	45
10. Darvell	100	100	93	97

N.B. Northbridge Street more extreme scores

29. Local shop usage

Q18. Do you use the local shops in and around the Parish?
Base: All weighted (963)

No   NA
      2%
3%

96%

Yes
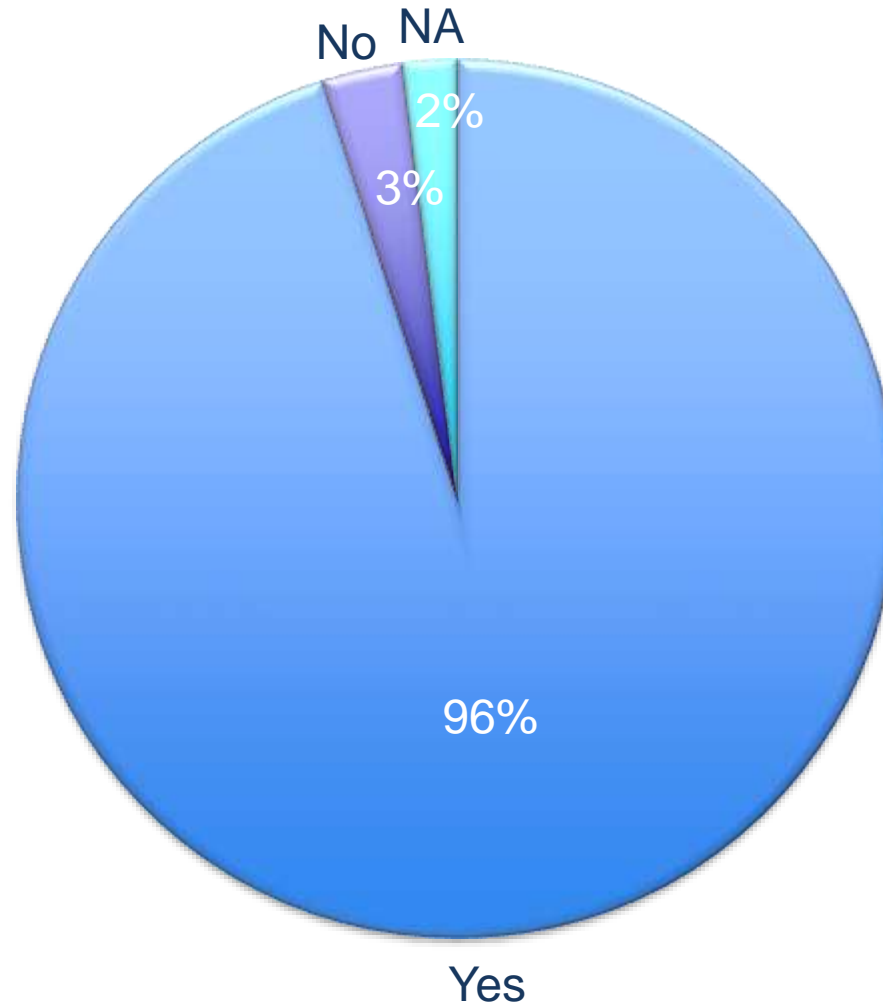
Q19. If yes, how often do you use them?
Base: All users – weighted (919)

Daily 17%

Most days 31%

1-2 days per week 34%

Less often 18%
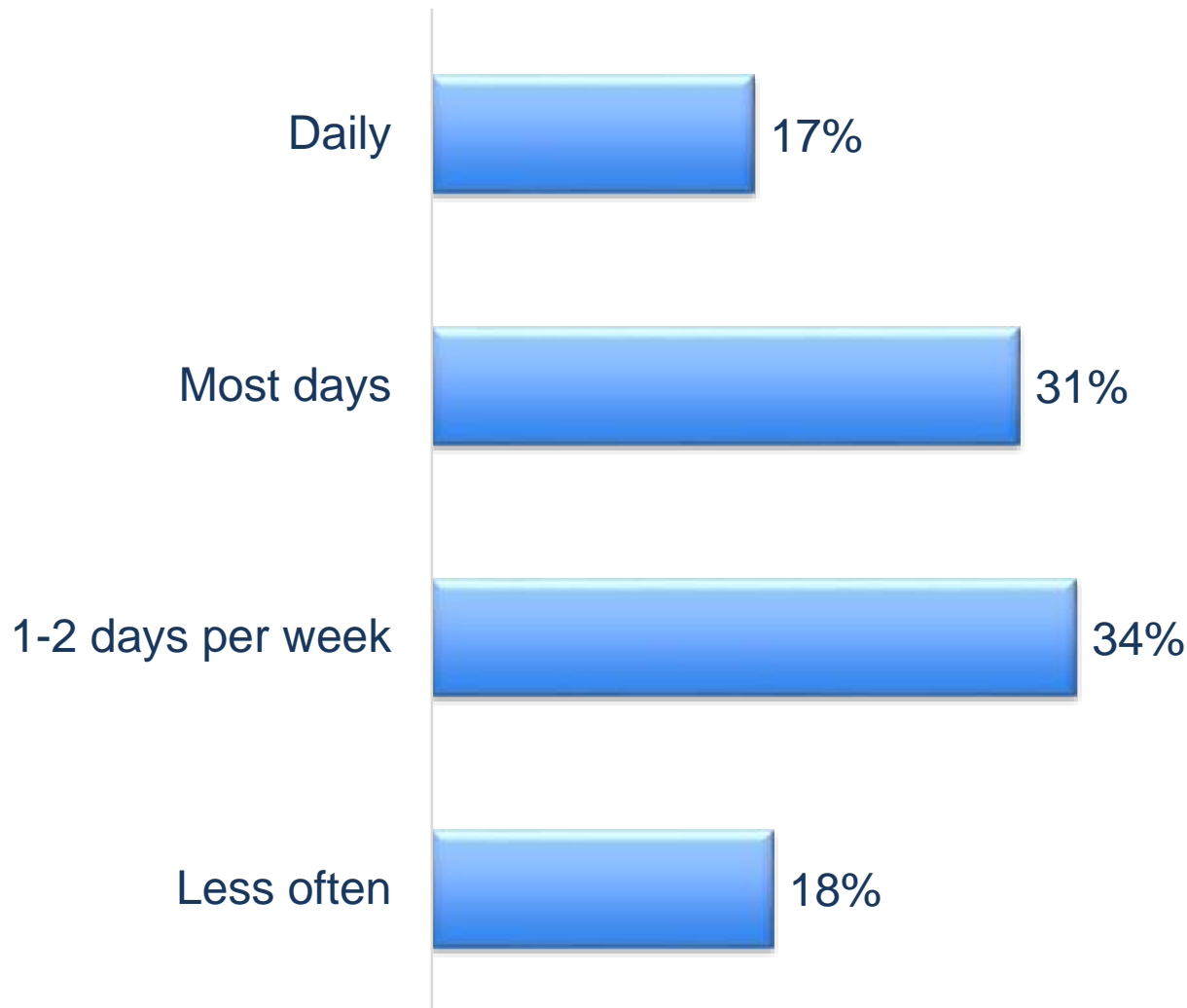
Average number days per week = 3

N.B.
Frequency higher:
- Not working
- 4. High St and everything off it
- 5. Fair Lane, Fayre Meadow
- 6. Station Road, Willowbank et al

31. Shop barriers

Q20. If you don't use the local shops regularly/at all is it because of:

* N.B. Small base size, treat data with caution

	Non users (27*) %	Non/less often users (182) %
Not enough choice of products	25	22
Pricing	22	10
Parking	16	22
Other	37	32*
NA	14	22

+ Mainly lack of transport, convenience, order in

Q21. Do you use : The doctors surgery in the village/Either of the dentists in the village?
Base: All weighted (963)

	All (963) %
Doctors at all	86
Dentists at all	56
Neither	9
Both	41
Doctors only	45
Dentists only	3

Q22. It is understood that both the doctors and the dentists surgeries will need to move to larger/purpose built premises in the foreseeable future. Please tick your preferred sit for the relocation of each of these surgeries?
Base: All weighted (963)

3a. Adj Mill site
3% / 4%

3. Mill site
45% / 43%

12. Adj. Culverwells
16% / 14%

7. Robertsbridge Club
15% / 11%

8. Countrycrafts
5% / 6%

9. Bishops Lane
1% / 1%

10. Heathfield Gdn West
1% / *

1. Slides Farm
1% / 1%

2. South of Pound Platt
*% / 1%

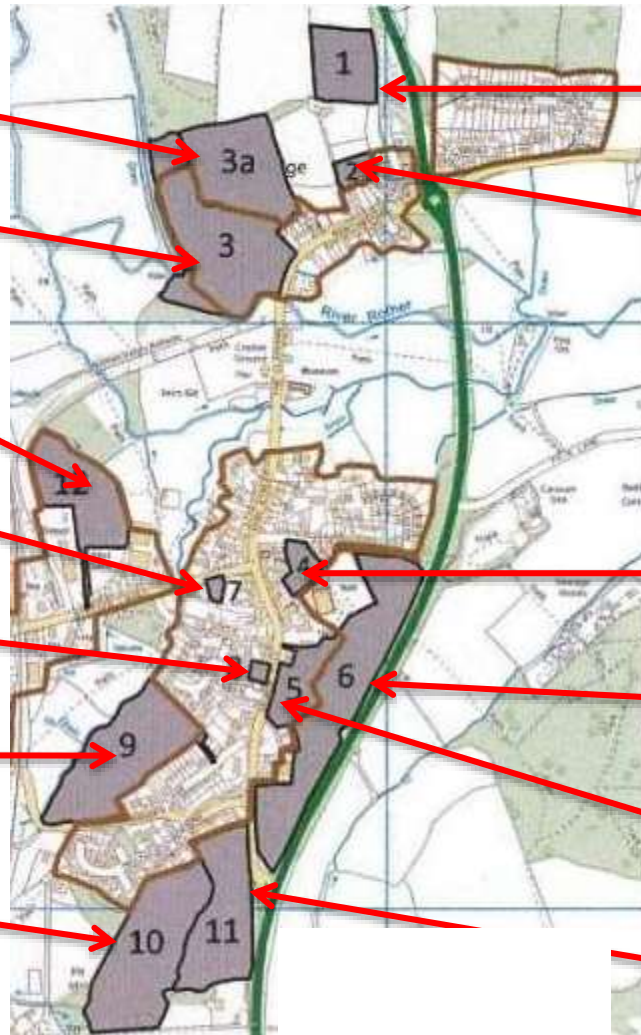4. Vicarage land
3% / 3%

6. Grove Farm (2)
1% / 2%

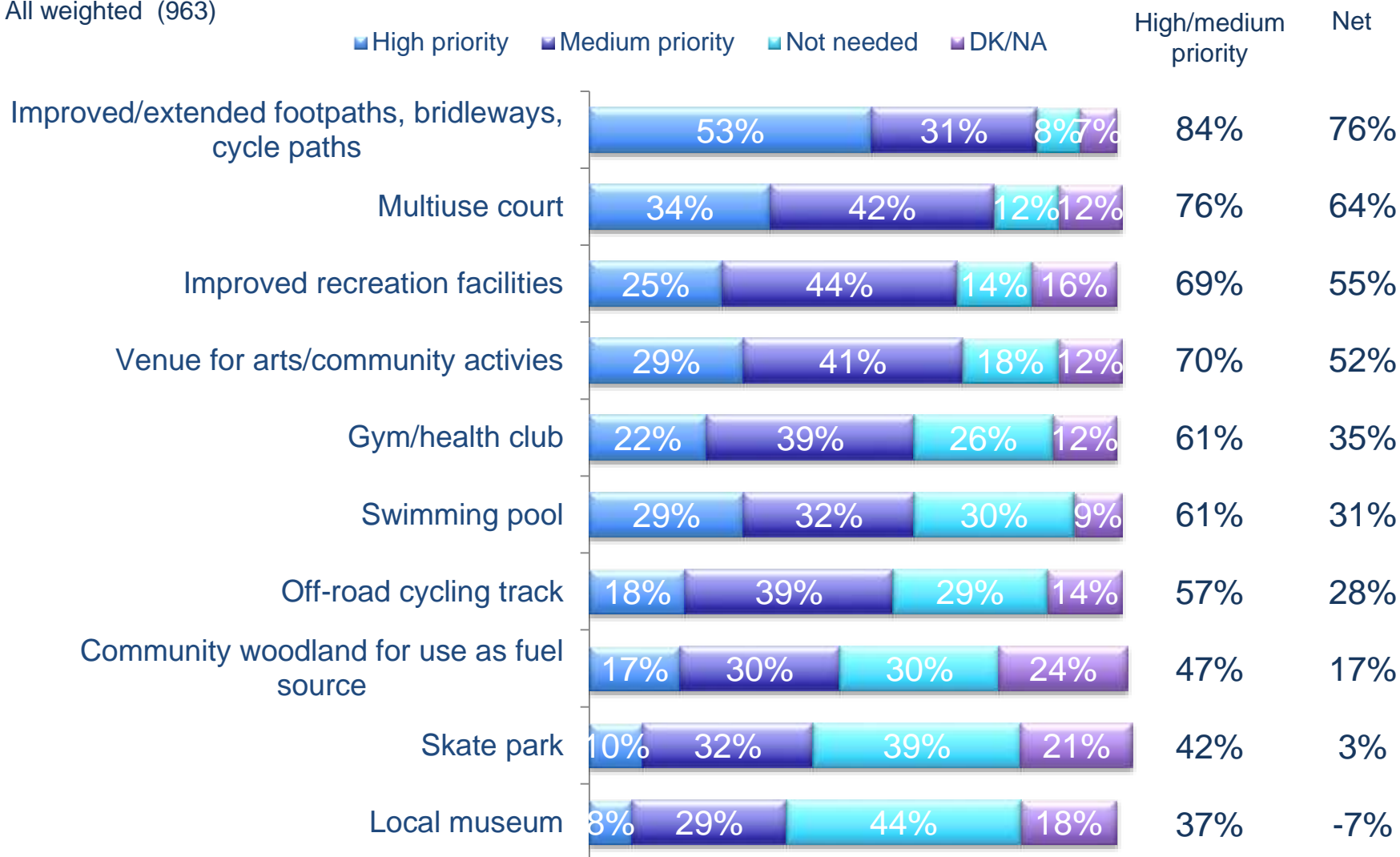5. Grove Farm (1)
3% / 3%

11. Heathfield Gdn East
* / 1%

* = less than 1%

34. Leisure facilities

Q23. Listed below are different types of leisure facilities. For each one please tick how important you feel it is to provide this type of facility in S&R.
Base: All weighted (963)

Legend: ■ High priority ■ Medium priority ■ Not needed ■ DK/NA

Facility	High priority	Medium priority	Not needed	DK/NA	High/medium priority	Net
Improved/extended footpaths, bridleways, cycle paths	53%	31%	8%	7%	84%	76%
Multiuse court	34%	42%	12%	12%	76%	64%
Improved recreation facilities	25%	44%	14%	16%	69%	55%
Venue for arts/community activies	29%	41%	18%	12%	70%	52%
Gym/health club	22%	39%	26%	12%	61%	35%
Swimming pool	29%	32%	30%	9%	61%	31%
Off-road cycling track	18%	39%	29%	14%	57%	28%
Community woodland for use as fuel source	17%	30%	30%	24%	47%	17%
Skate park	10%	32%	39%	21%	42%	3%
Local museum	8%	29%	44%	18%	37%	-7%

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Q23. Listed below are different types of leisure facilities. For each one please tick how important you feel it is to provide this type of facility in S&R.
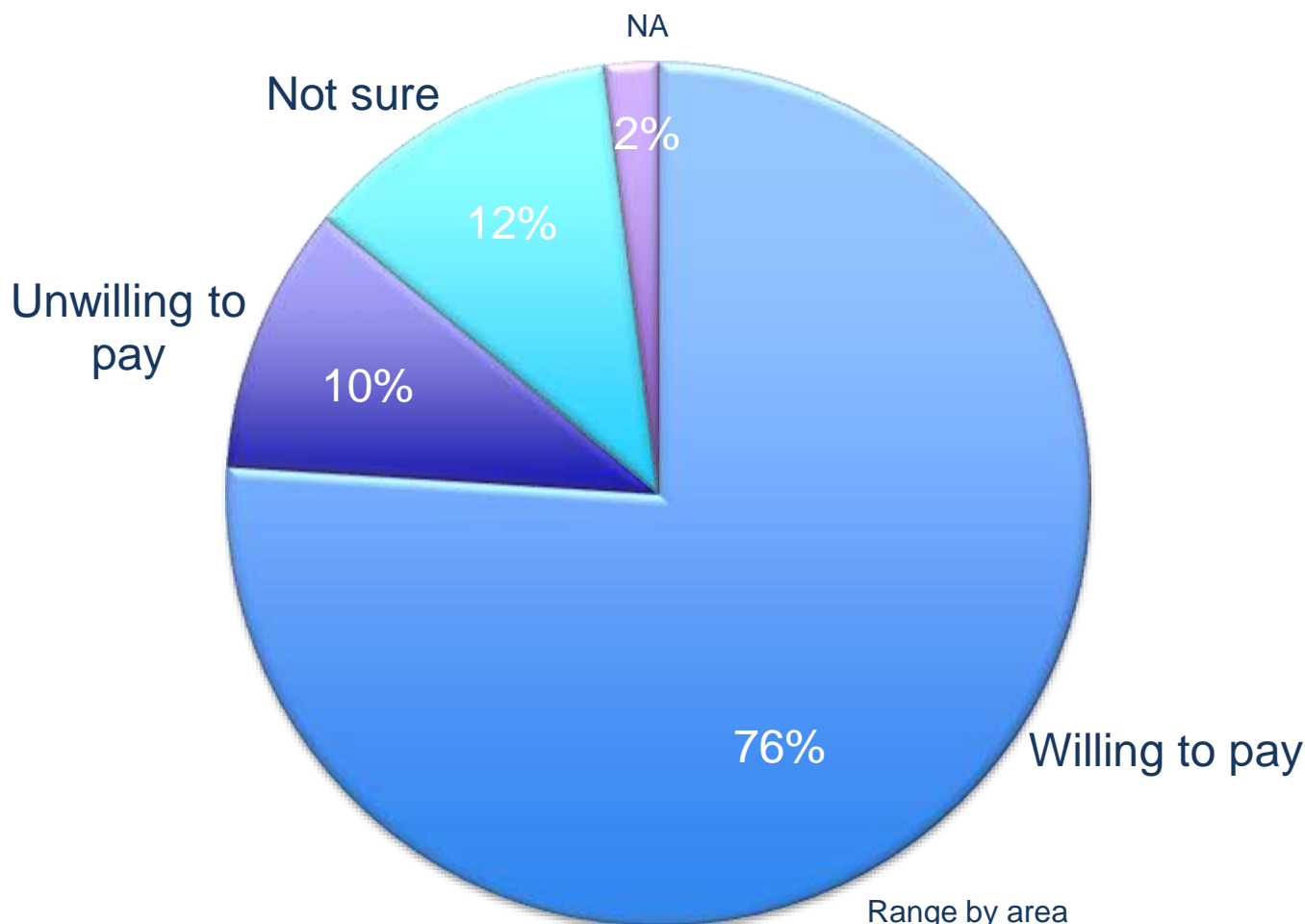Base: All weighted

|	All (963) %	<45 (260) %	45 – 64 (339) %	65+ (345) %
Improved & extended footpaths, bridleways etc	76	78	79	71
Multiuse court	64	68	62	60
Improved recreation facilities	55	67	52	43
Venue for arts/community activities	52	49	54	53
Gym/health club	35	53	35	15
Swimming pool	31	41	28	19
Off-road cycling track	28	28	32	24
Community woodland for use a fuel source	17	24	22	2
Skate park	3	-3	12	-3
Local museum	-7	-11	-4	-1

37. Village steward funding

Q24. Would you be prepared to pay annually approximately 22p extra a week per household to fund a village steward for our Parish?
Base: All weighted (963)

NA

Not sure

Unwilling to pay

2%

12%

10%

76% Willing to pay

Range by area
54% (2. Andrews, etc) to
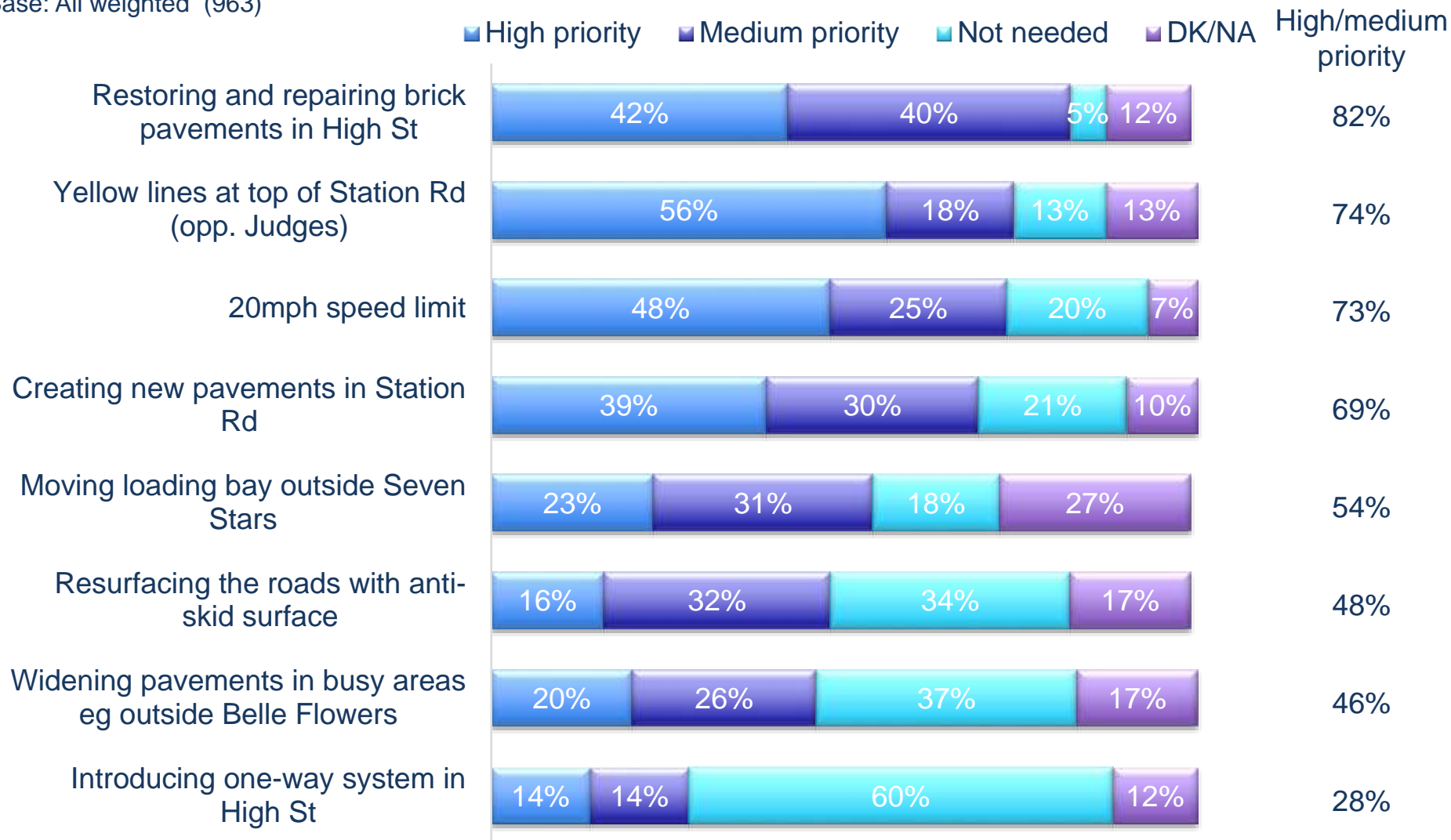80+% (8. Mill Rise, 4 Northbridge St, 6, Station Rd)

38. Review funding

Q25. Would you be prepared to pay annually approximately 29p extra a week per household to fund a parking review?
Base: All weighted (963)

N/A

Willing to pay

34%

Not sure

35%

4%

27%

Unwilling to pay
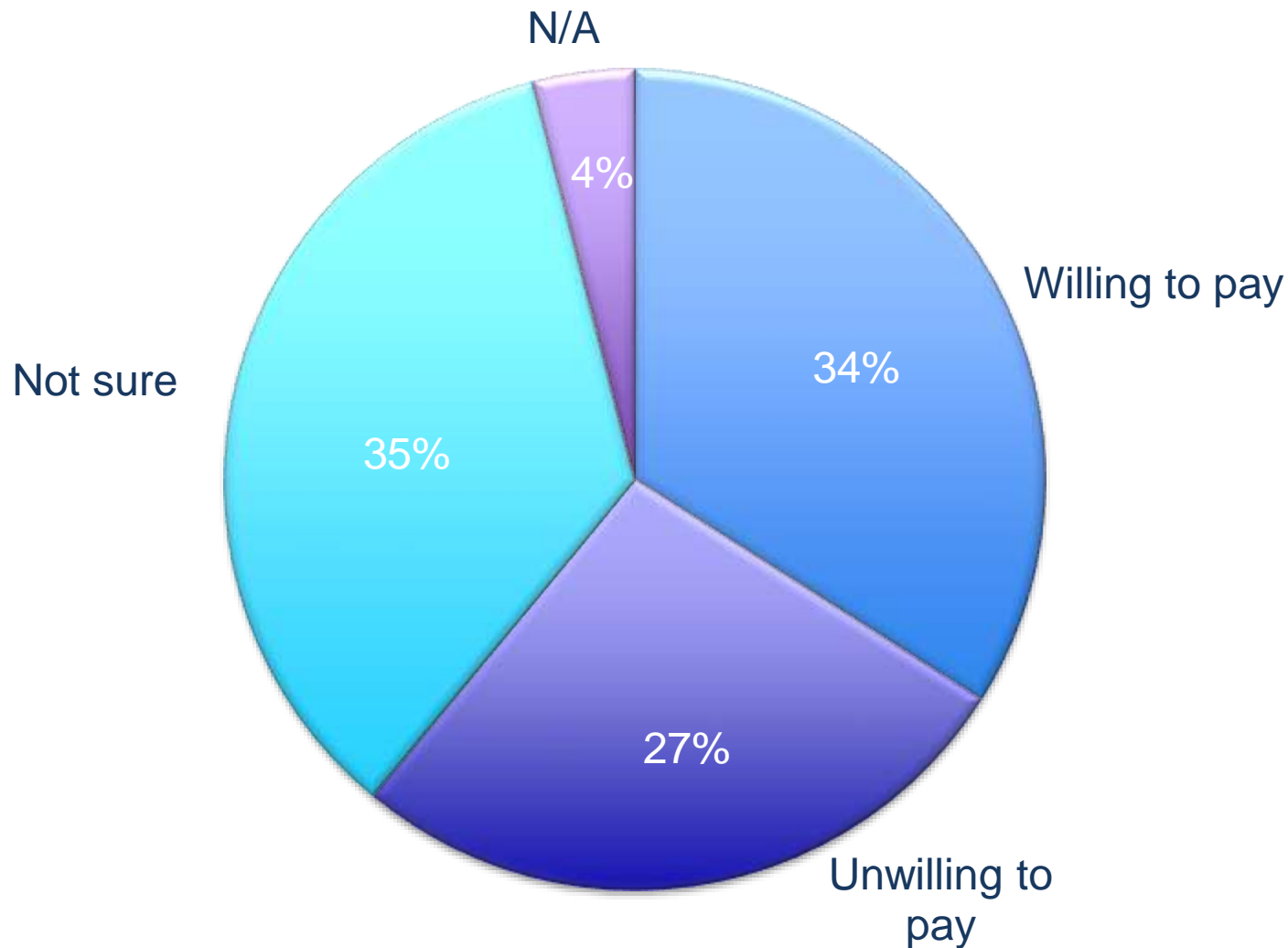
40a. Safety measures

Q26. The following suggestions for improving village safety have been raised by residents. How important are each of the measures in your view?
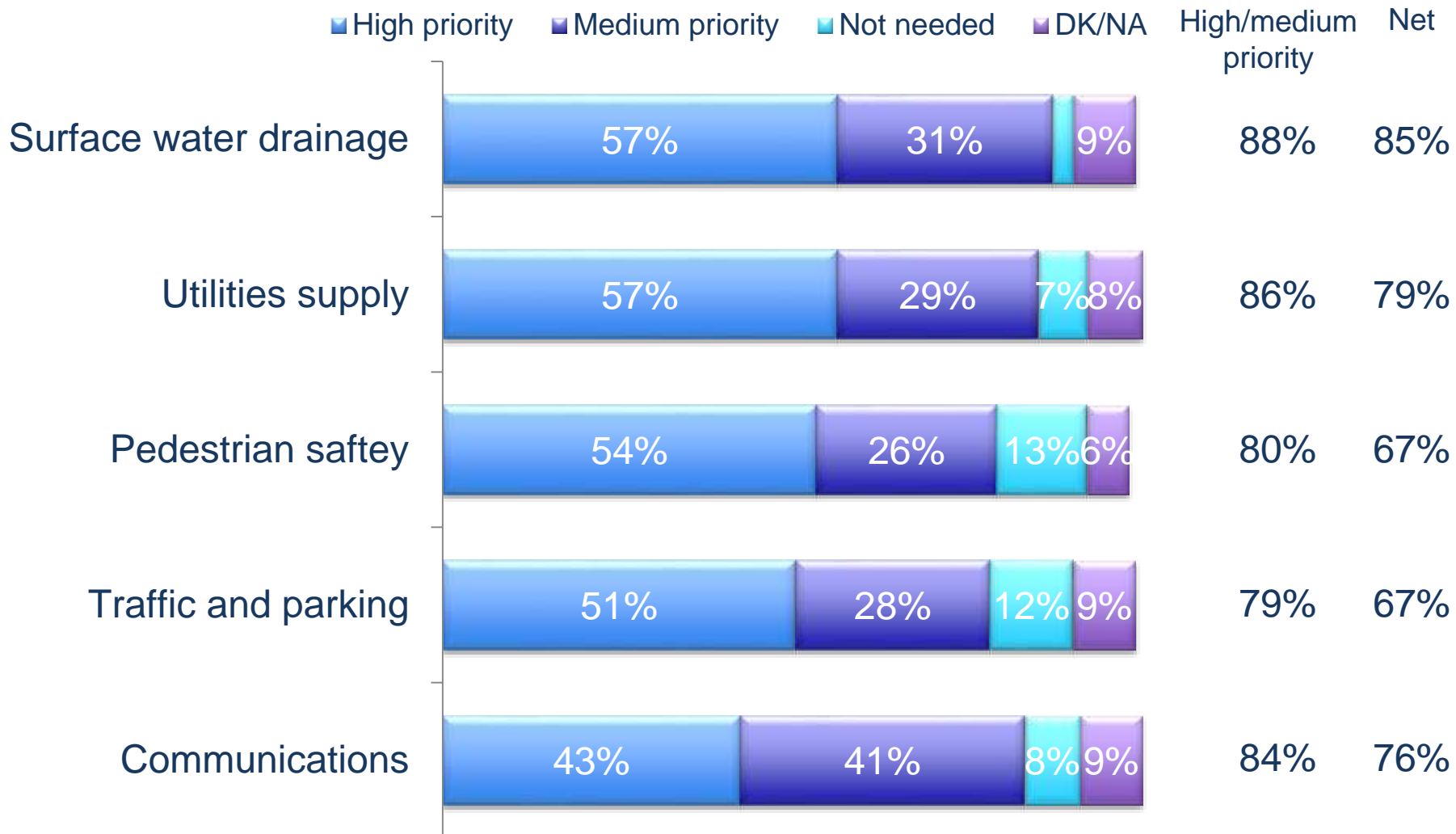Base: All weighted (963)

Legend: ■ High priority ■ Medium priority ■ Not needed ■ DK/NA

Measure	High priority	Medium priority	Not needed	DK/NA	High/medium priority
Restoring and repairing brick pavements in High St	42%	40%	5%	12%	82%
Yellow lines at top of Station Rd (opp. Judges)	56%	18%	13%	13%	74%
20mph speed limit	48%	25%	20%	7%	73%
Creating new pavements in Station Rd	39%	30%	21%	10%	69%
Moving loading bay outside Seven Stars	23%	31%	18%	27%	54%
Resurfacing the roads with anti-skid surface	16%	32%	34%	17%	48%
Widening pavements in busy areas eg outside Belle Flowers	20%	26%	37%	17%	46%
Introducing one-way system in High St	14%	14%	60%	12%	28%

40b. Safety – top initiatives by area

Q26. The following suggestions for improving village safety have been raised by residents. How important are each of the measures in your view?
Base: All weighted (963)

Net differences	Restoring pavements in High St	Yellow lines Station Rd	20mph speed limit	New pavements Station Rd
All	77	61	53	48
1. Salehurst village and all outlying	70	51	38	-2
2. Andrews, Kemps, Coronation & Rother V	86	69	26	16
3. Northbridge St and Rutley Close	87	52	41	41
4. High St and everything off it	89	62	84	58
5. Fair Lane, Fayre Meadow	83	46	61	62
6. Station Road, Willowbank et al.	97	73	63	62
7. George Hill, Bishops and Heathfield	79	60	60	40
8. Mill Rise	83	81	65	66
9. Everything else west of the level crossing,	77	62	41	39
10. Darvell	59	58	52	72

41. Infrastructure ranking

Q27. How much of a priority are each of the following types of infrastructure when it comes to developing/improving services?
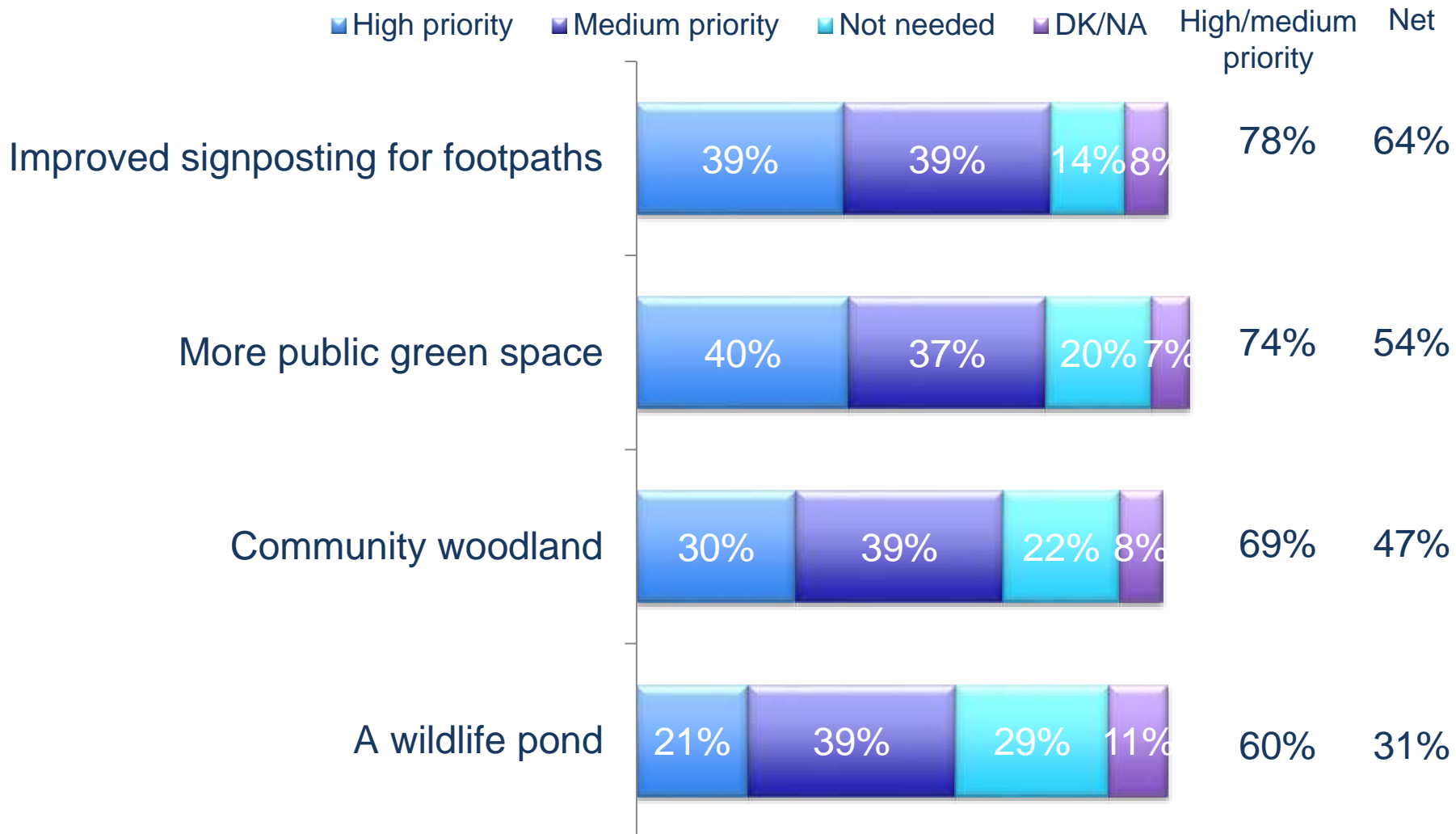Base: All weighted (963)

	High priority	Medium priority	Not needed	DK/NA	High/medium priority	Net
Surface water drainage	57%	31%		9%	88%	85%
Utilities supply	57%	29%	7%	8%	86%	79%
Pedestrian saftey	54%	26%	13%	6%	80%	67%
Traffic and parking	51%	28%	12%	9%	79%	67%
Communications	43%	41%	8%	9%	84%	76%

43. Improvements to open spaces

Q28. How important are each of the following when it comes to enhancing community open spaces?
Base: All weighted (963)

Legend: ■ High priority ■ Medium priority ■ Not needed ■ DK/NA

	High priority	Medium priority	Not needed	DK/NA	High/medium priority	Net
Improved signposting for footpaths	39%	39%	14%	8%	78%	64%
More public green space	40%	37%	20%	7%	74%	54%
Community woodland	30%	39%	22%	8%	69%	47%
A wildlife pond	21%	39%	29%	11%	60%	31%

44. Importance of energy efficiency in new builds

Q29. How important do you think it is for buildings in S&R to be energy efficient?
Base: All weighted (963)

87%

High priority	Medium priority	Low priority	DK/NA
49%	38%	6%	7%

Flat across subgroups

Salehurst & Robertsbridge Neighbourhood Plan
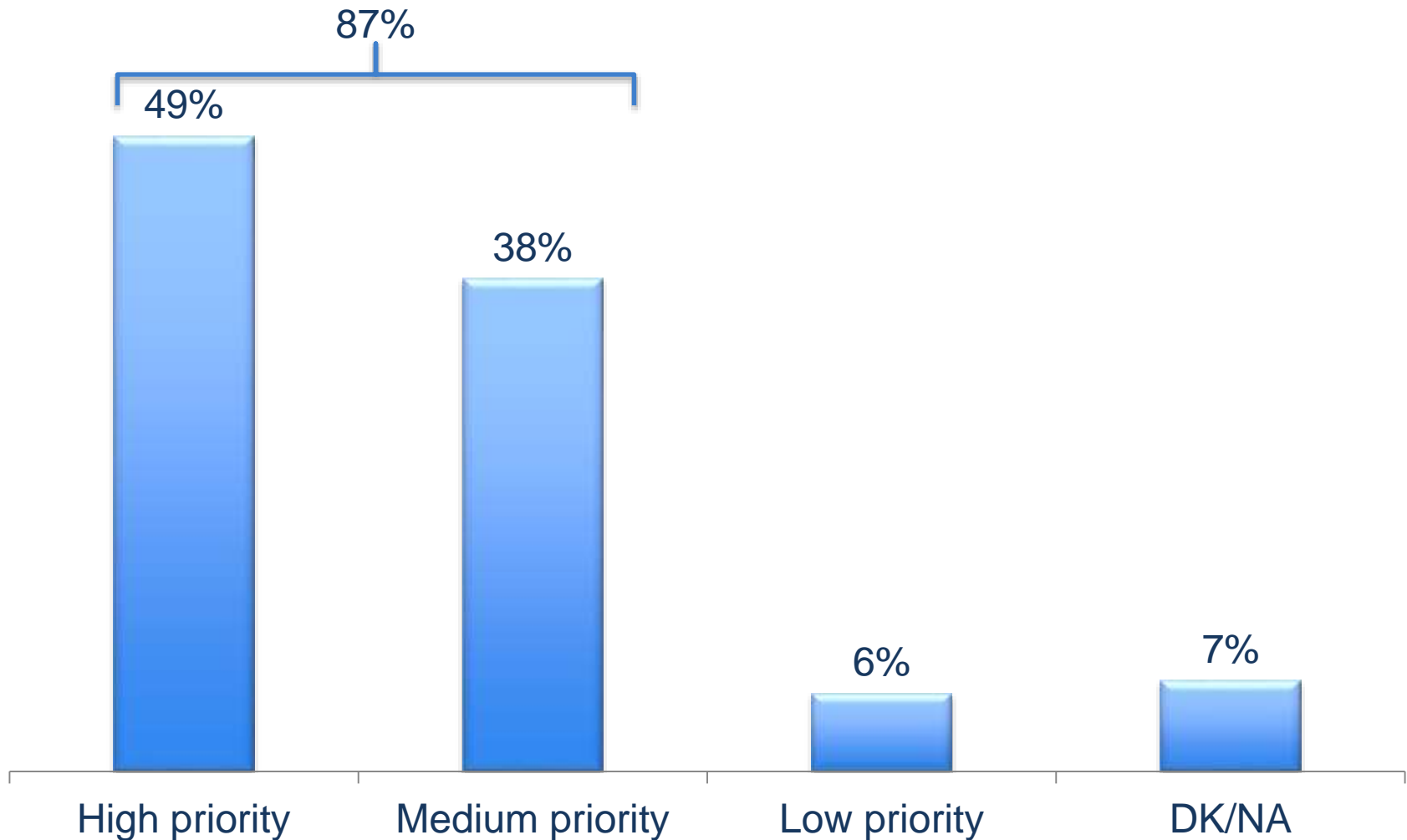
45. Ranking of energy efficiency sources

Q30. There are many ways of increasing the energy efficiency of buildings. Please tell us how important you feel each of the following to be?
Base: All weighted (963)

Legend: ■ High priority ■ Medium priority ■ Not needed ■ DK/NA

	High/medium priority	Net Diff.
Converting street lighting to low energy + time control — High priority 56%, Medium priority 32%, 7%	88%	84%
Improving insulation of walls/floors/roof spaces — High priority 54%, Medium priority 33%, 10%	87%	84%
Draft-proofing doors and windows — High priority 54%, Medium priority 33%, 9%	87%	83%
Harnessing rain water — High priority 43%, Medium priority 40%, 7%, 10%	83%	76%
Upgrading all lighting to LED bulbs — High priority 41%, Medium priority 42%, 8%, 9%	83%	75%
Equipping buildings with green energy sources — High priority 35%, Medium priority 43%, 8%, 13%	78%	70%
Replacement of heating systems — High priority 35%, Medium priority 43%, 8%, 13%	78%	70%

Q31. What is your current working status?
Base: All weighted (963)

	68%			31%		
54%	14%	23%	1%	1%	5%
Working full time	Working part time	Retired	Full time education	Unemployed	Homemaker

Q31. What is your current working status?
Base: All working (578)

48. Working by area

Q31. What is your current working status?
Base: All working (578)

Ave: 68%

- Darvell — 97%
- Northbridge St, Rutley Close — 77%
- Andrews/Kemps/Coronation & Rother V — 73%
- Salehurst village & outlying — 68%
- Station Rd, Willowbank et al — 67%
- High St, everything off it — 64%
- Mill Rise — 59%
- George Hill, Bishops & Heathfled — 57%
- Everything else west of level crossing — 49%
- Fair Lane, Fayre Meadow — 44%
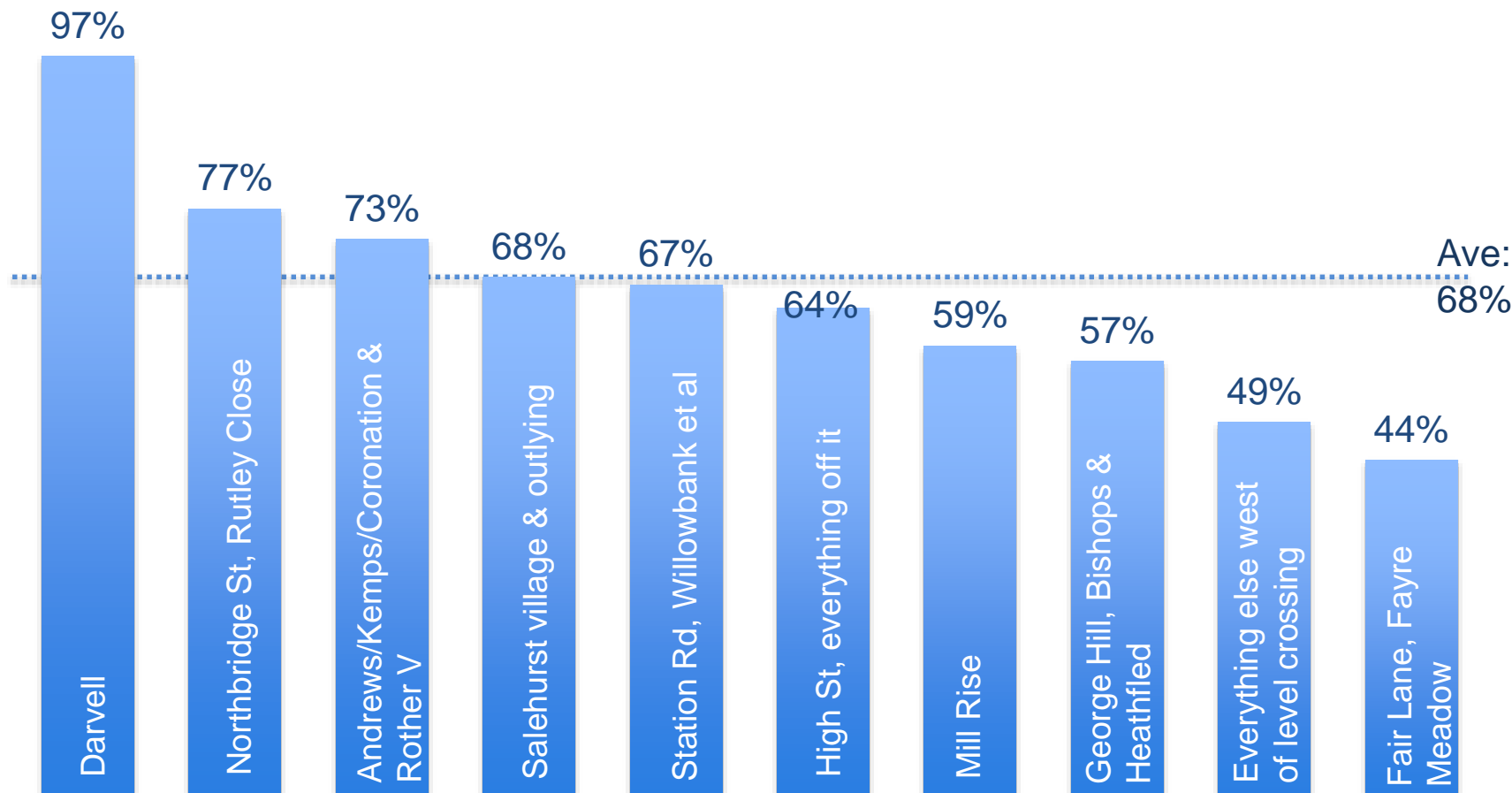
Q32. In what type of premises do you work?
Base: All working
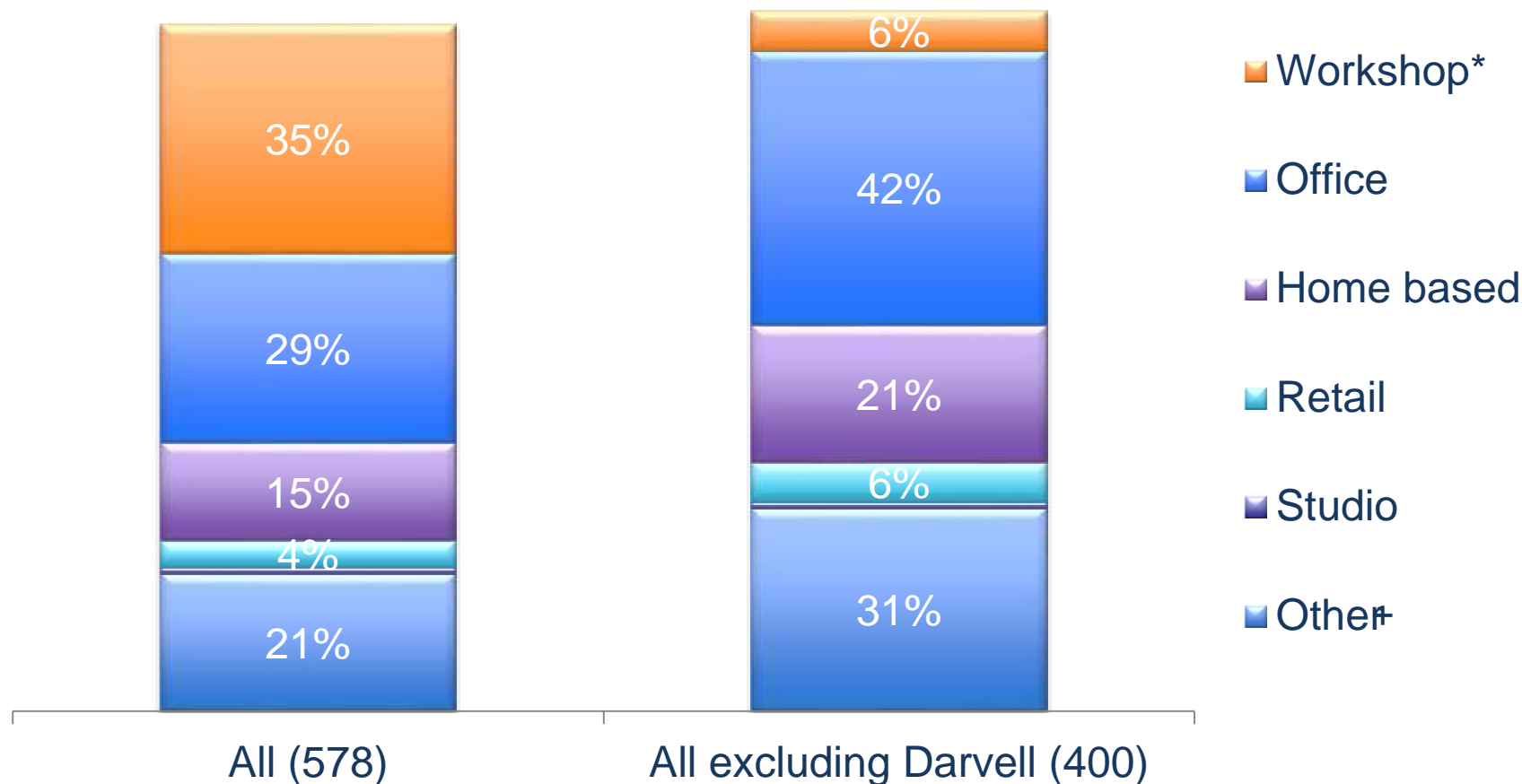
+ Main 'other premises': Education, outdoors/farming, medical, various

50. Work location
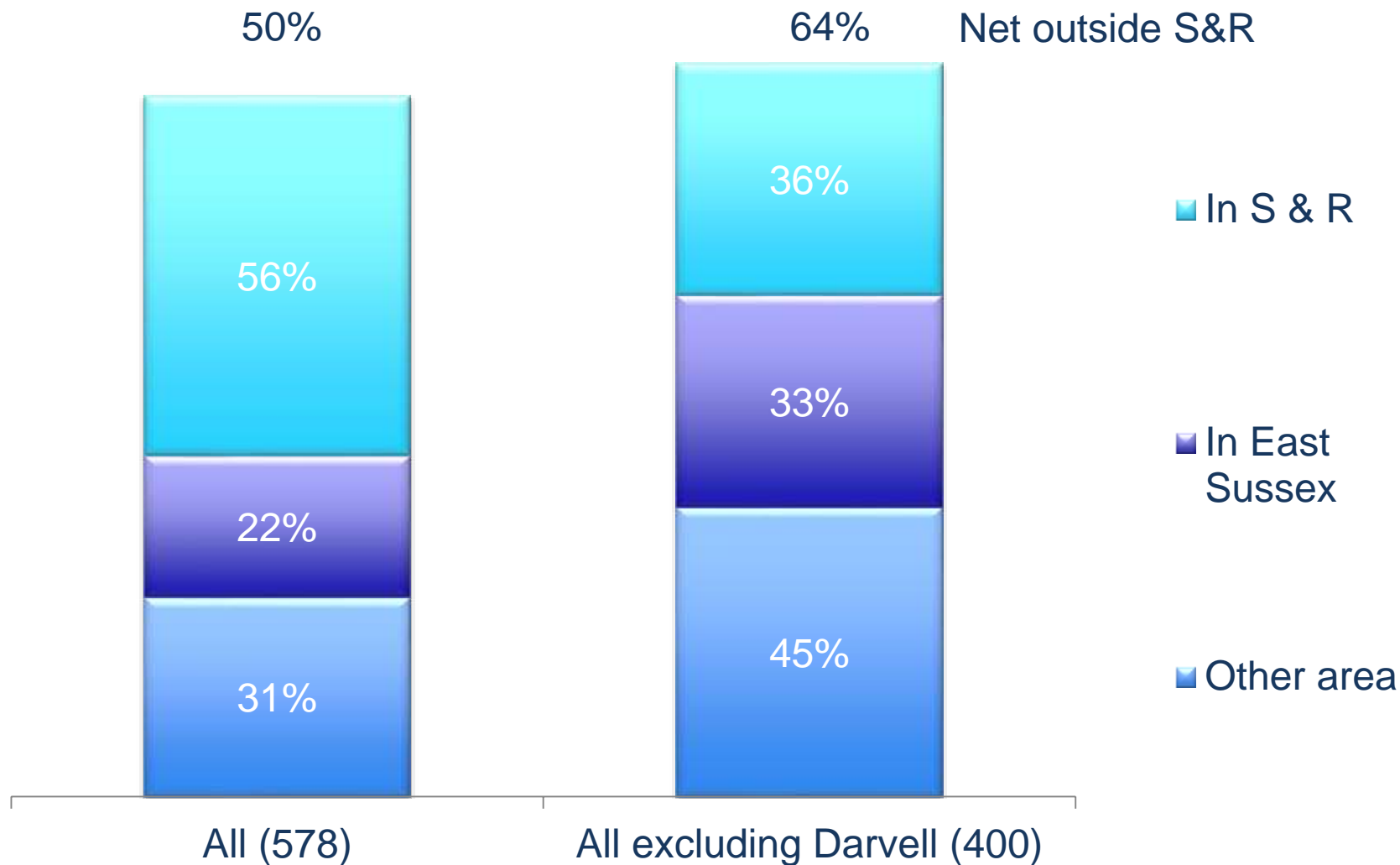
50%   64%   Net outside S&R

In S & R

In East Sussex

Other area

All (578)   All excluding Darvell (400)

NB: some multi-coding

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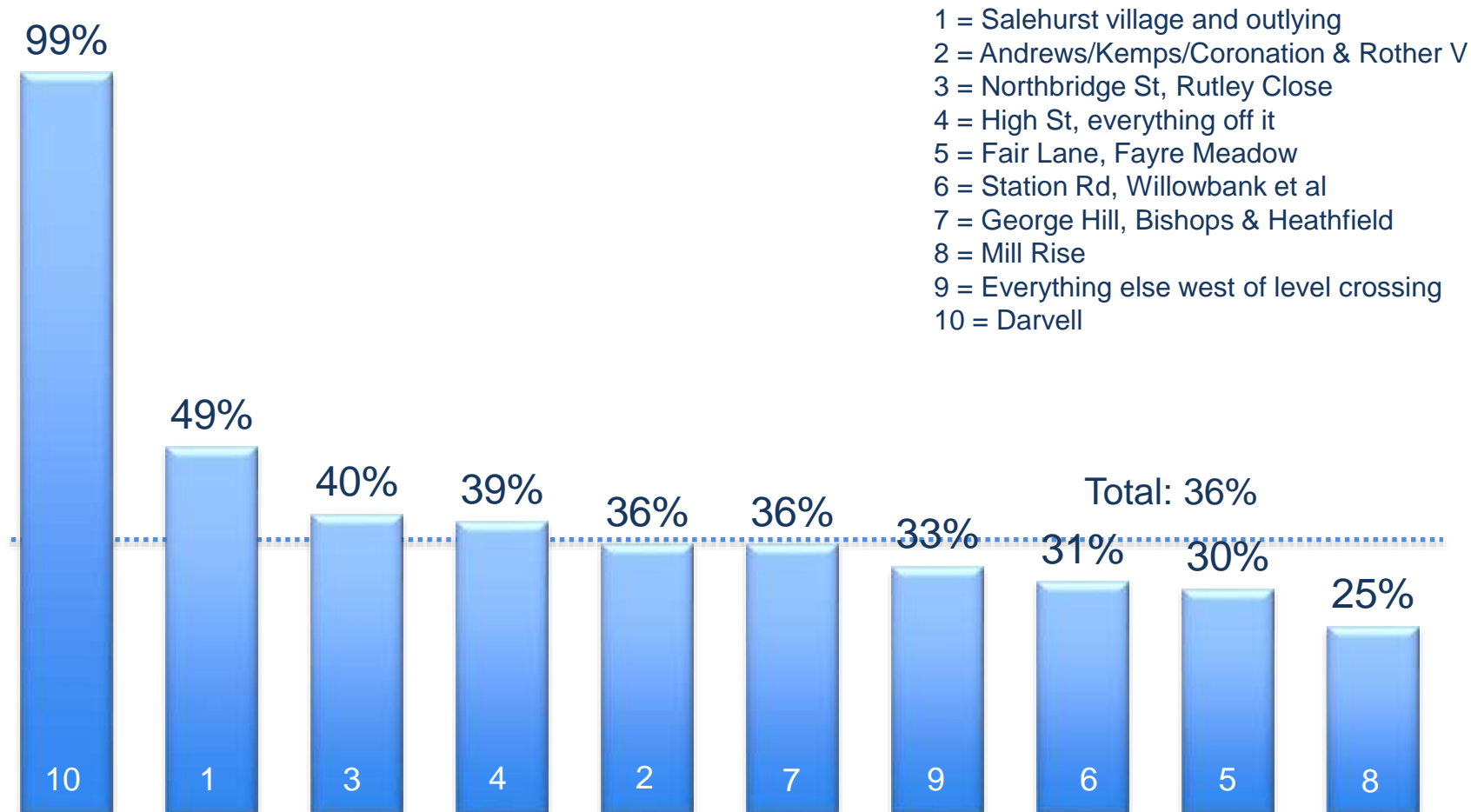
Q34. If you work outside S & R how far do you travel to work?
Base: All working

Over 20 miles — 49%
10 - 20 miles — 26%
5 - 10 miles — 18%
<5 miles — 6%

Average distance 20.4 miles
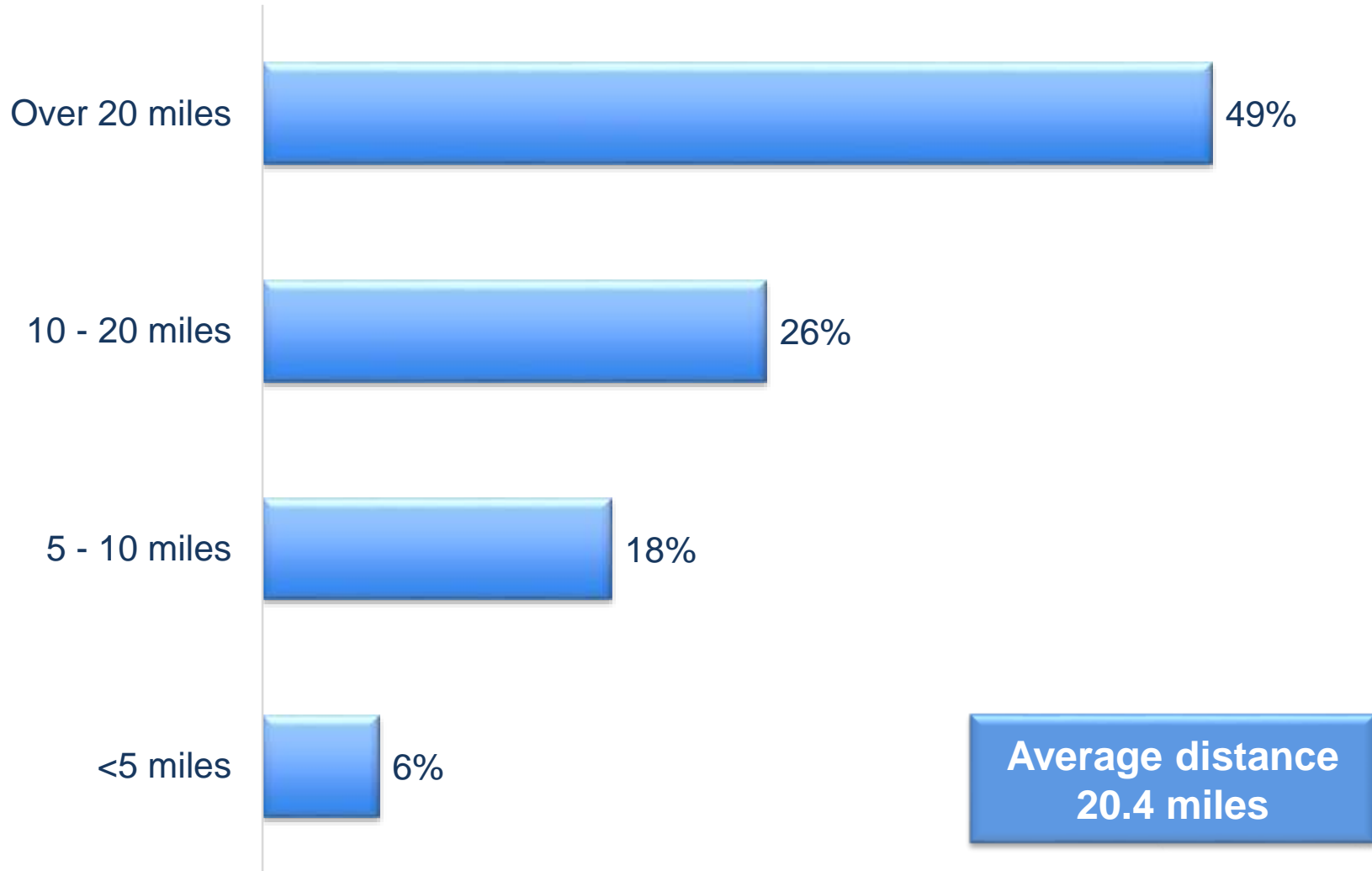
Q35. How do you usually travel to work?
Base: All working

	All (578) %	S&R (322) %	E. Sussex (129) %	Beyond (181) %
Car	41	20	97	55
Foot	40	72	3	2
Train	17	5	8	49
Bike	1	2	1	1
Bus	1	*	1	2
NA	5	8	-	1

Q36. Does your business plan to move premises:
Base: All working (578)

91%

6%

5%

1%

4%

In the next 5 years   In the next 10 years   No/Don't know   NA
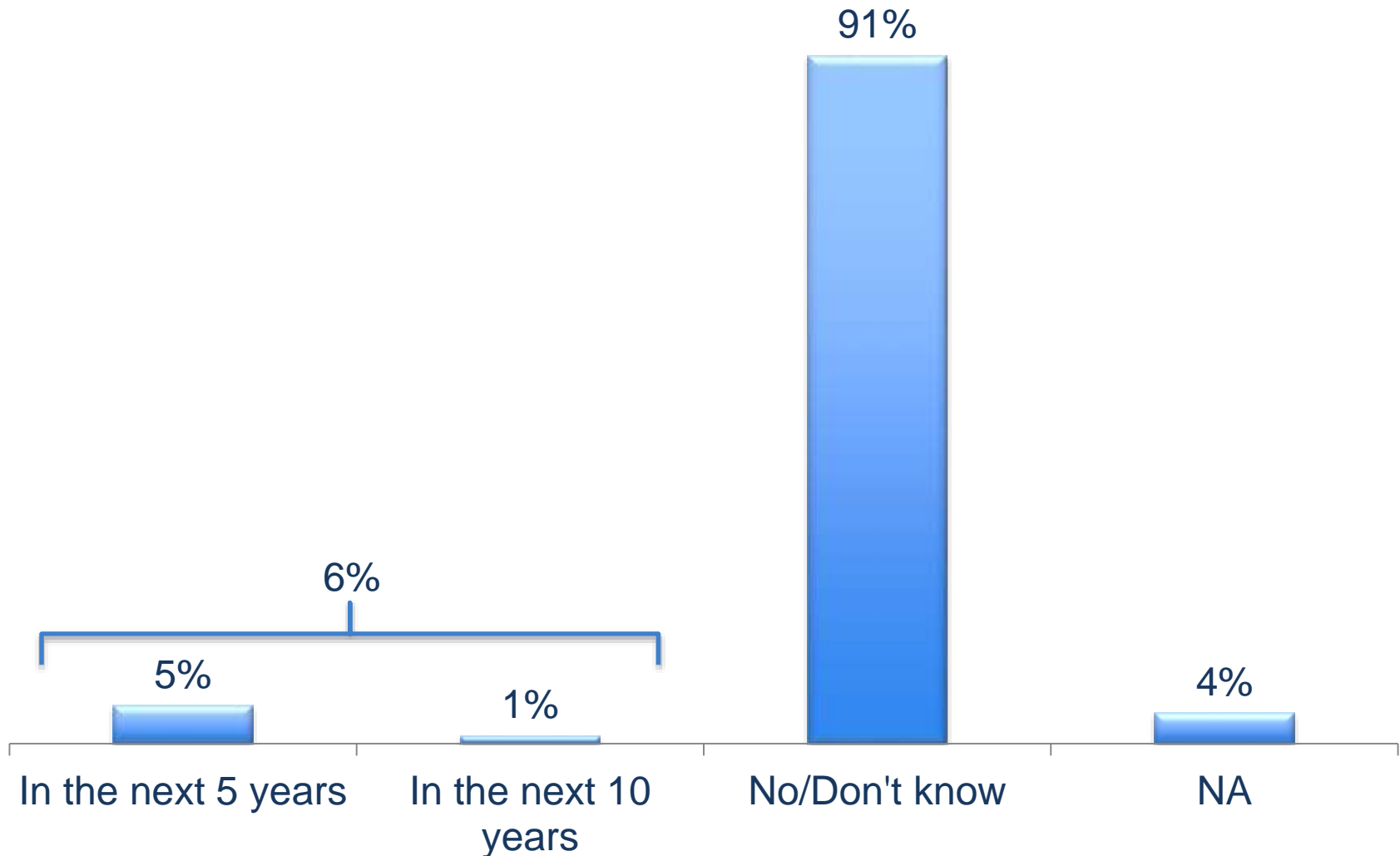
Q37. Are the new premises likely to be:
Base: All planning to move premises within 10 years (33*)
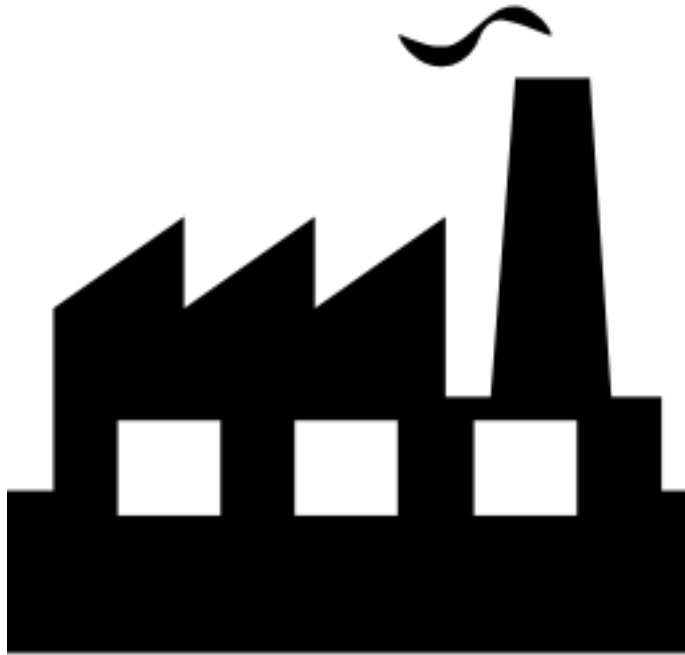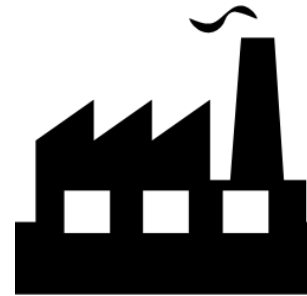
Larger: 67%　　　**Same: 15%**　　　**Smaller: 6%**
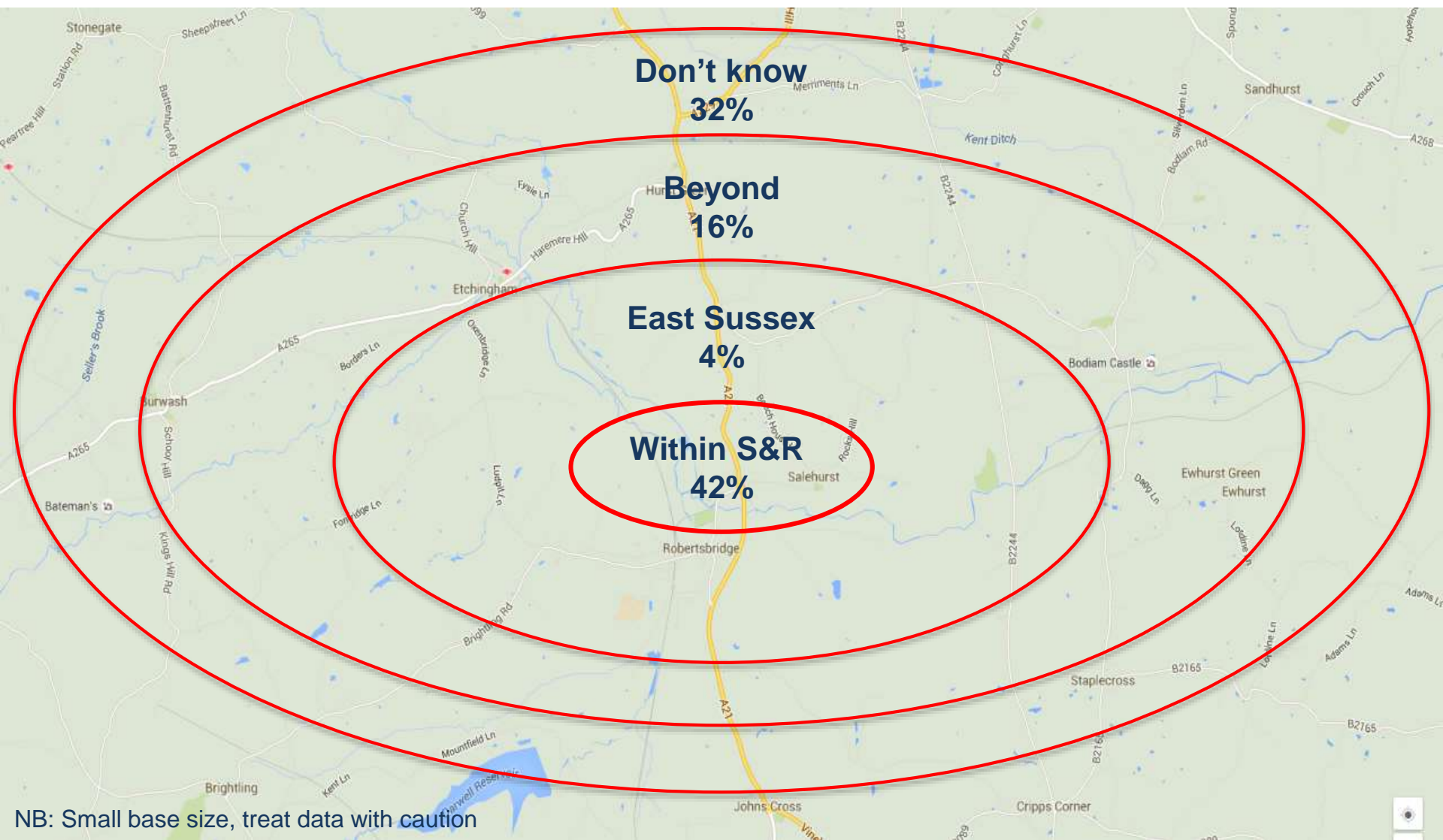
*NB: Small base size, treat data with caution

56. Whether start up planned

Q38. Are you planning to set up your own business
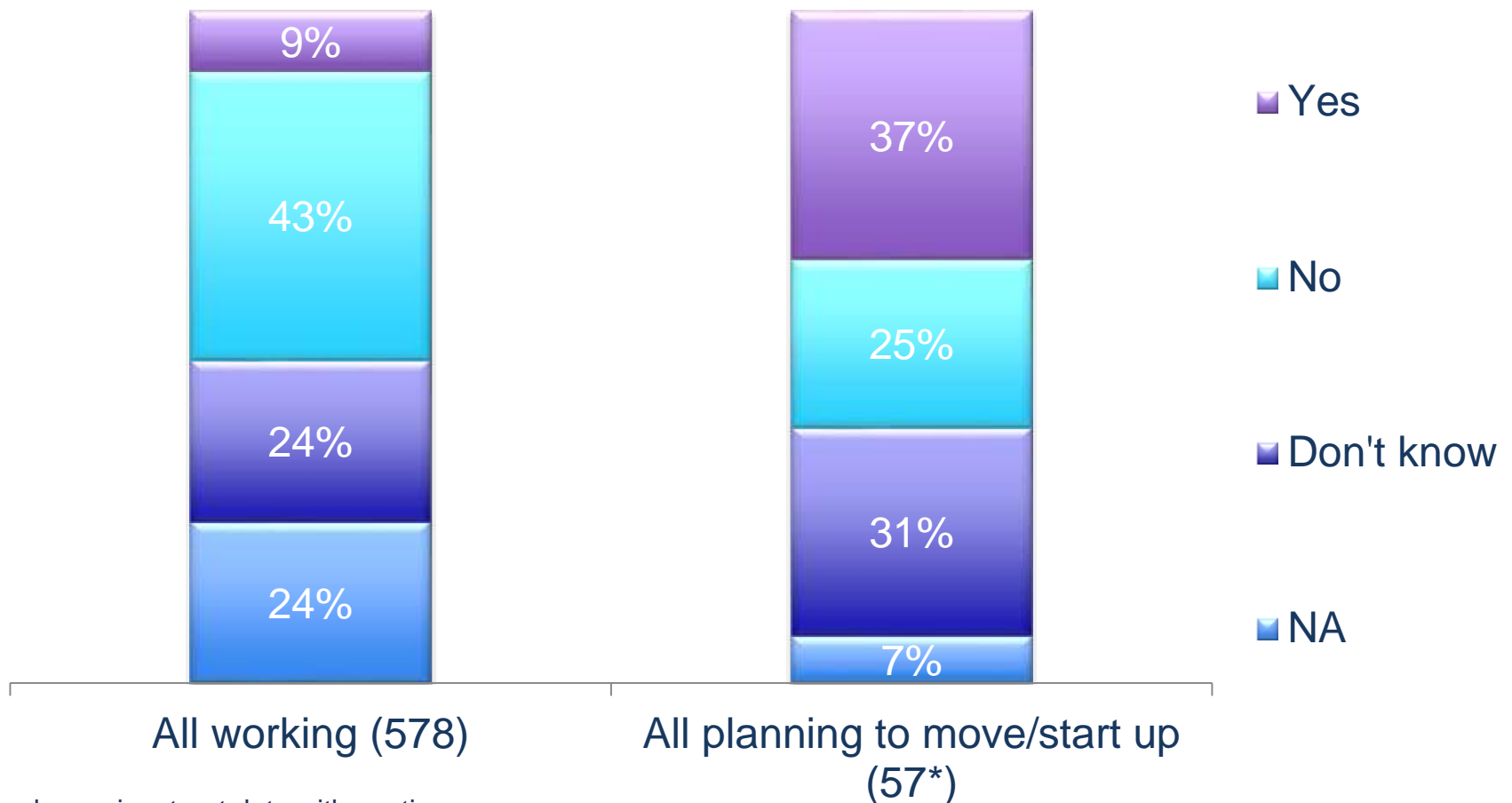Base: All working (578)

In the next 5 years	In the next 10 years	No/Don't know	Already run my own business
4%	1%	71%	19%

5%
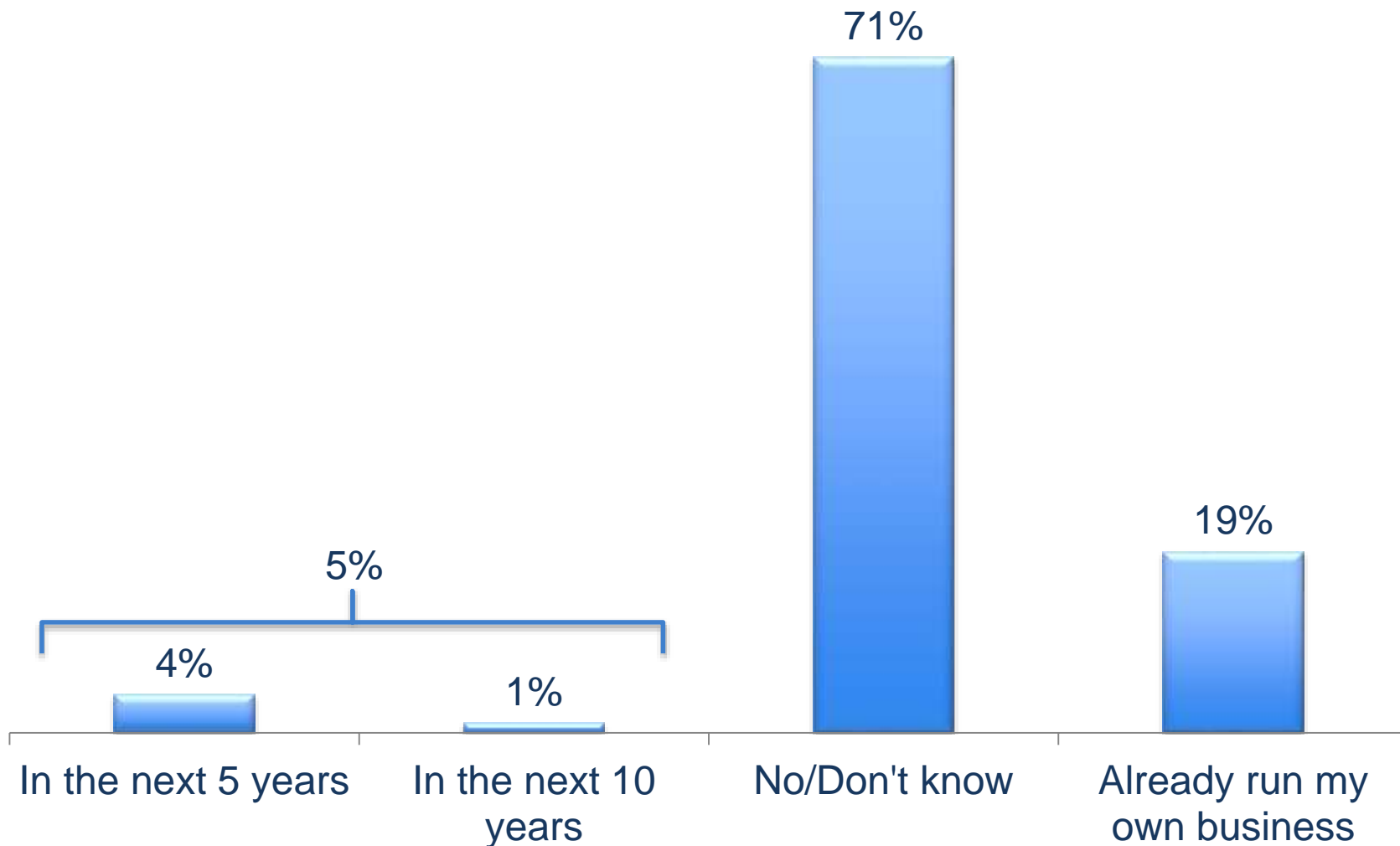
Q39. If you are planning to either move premises or set up your own business would this be:
Base: All planning to move or start up (57*)

Don't know
32%

Beyond
16%

East Sussex
4%

Within S&R
42%

NB: Small base size, treat data with caution

- Robertsbridge is a desirable place to live:
    - 18 year average residency
    - 40% of those planning to move want to stay
    - 12% have relatives who'd like to move back

- Assuming flooding reservations have been taken into account, clear view about development locations and priorities. New property needs to be integrated to harmonise/retain feel of the locality +
    - energy efficiency the norm nowadays
    - 2-3 bedrooms
    - affordable housing
    - longer term retirement provision

- Further measures would improve local quality of life:
    - improved footpaths and signposting
    - village steward scheme
    - traffic calming and parking enforcement

60a. Summary of findings

- Robertsbridge keeps its residents… 18 year average

- 8% of sample will want to move within S&R in the next 10 years + 12% think other family members will be keen to move here

- Lack of property and property prices are key barriers to moving to S&R ∴ more affordable housing a must

- Residents feel S&R particularly needs:
  - 2-3 bedroom properties
  - energy efficient homes
  - retirement provision
  - affordable alternatives to buying

- The prime objective of any new development is integration – aesthetically, geographically and socially

- Assuming Adj. Mill Site (3a) can accommodate c30 houses, 4 sites emerge as clearly preferred to all others to meet housing needs:
  - 3 – Mill Site (100 homes)
  - 3a – Adjacent to Mill Site
  - 8 – Countrycrafts (7 homes)
  - 12 – Adjacent Culverwells (17 homes + work provision)

  (Though comments suggest desirability of spreading development)

- Mill Site also by far the most popular relocation site for medical facilities

- The main leisure priority is improvements to footpaths, with multi-use court in 2nd place

- Employing a village steward much more welcome as a funded initiative than parking review

- Clear preferences for safety improvements – High Street pavement repair, yellow lines, 20 mph speed limit and new pavements in Station Road

- All aspects of infrastructure important for new developments and energy efficiency almost taken for granted

- Improved signposting and increase in green space desirable

- Residents rate well established energy efficiency measures higher than new approaches – but all reasons deemed important

- 2/3rds of respondents work but only half work within S&R. Amongst those working away, average distance travelled is 20 miles

- S&R working population mainly travel on foot. Half of those who travel beyond East Sussex use the train. Car is the only means of transport for most working elsewhere in East Sussex

- 6% envisage moving premises in next 10 years (mainly to larger) and 5% planning a start-up in that period – equating in total to 1 in 10 of the working population of S&R.

- Just over 1 in 3 or movers/business starters likely to consider premises in S&R

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