

Staff Report

Report To: Community Services Committee

Report From: Adam Parsons, Manager of Parks and Open Space

Meeting Date: October 16, 2019

Report Code: CS-19-132

Subject: Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Update, Survey Results and Next Steps

Recommendations:

That in consideration of Staff Report CS-19-132 respecting the Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Survey Results and Next Steps, Community Services Committee:

- 1) Receive the survey results for information; and
- 2) Authorize staff to proceed with the preparation of the draft Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Update.

Strategic Initiative:

6. *Promote and Enhance Owen Sound's Built Heritage*
7. *Encourage and promote participation in cultural activities and active lifestyles*
8. *Support community safety and social inclusion*
9. *Address the City's infrastructure deficit*
10. *Maximize revenue sources and funding opportunities*
11. *Optimize the City's Operations while maintaining or improving quality of life*

Background:

At the November 21, 2018 Community Services Committee, report [CS-18-152 Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Review and Update](#) introduced a framework for the 5 year review of the plan to be performed in house by staff.

Moved by Krista Youngblood

CS-181121-010

"THAT in consideration of Staff Report CS-18-152, respecting the Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Review and Update, the Community Services Committee recommend Council direct City Staff to initiate a review of the 2012 Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan in accordance with the tasks outlined in the report."

Carried

The purpose of this report is to:

- Provide an update to the status of the Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Review;
- Provide the results of the Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Survey;
- Understand the trends emerging from the survey;
- Establish the next steps for the completion of the Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan update.

Where are we now?

The initial schedule of the Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Update has been revised due to operational needs in the Parks and Open Space Division.

The chart below outlines the tasks identified in the 2018 report together with a revised project schedule.

Task	Staff Lead and Resources	Timeline	Updated Timeline
Initial report to committee with background and process to review master plan	A. Parsons Support from P. Coulter	November 2018	November 2018 Complete

Task	Staff Lead and Resources	Timeline	Updated Timeline
Background Research			
<p>Interment Statistics 2012-2018</p> <p>Comparison of Greenwood Cemetery Statistics to provincial trends</p>	<p>A. Parsons with support from A. Tennant-Bumstead</p>	<p>January 2019</p>	<p>January 2019</p> <p>Complete</p>
<p>Industry Trends</p> <p>Review of current industry trends and best practices. A focus on how cremations, natural burials, and cultural sensitivities will influence our service delivery for the next 5 years, and project Greenwood Cemetery capacity to the 50 and 100 year horizons using current data.</p>	<p>A. Parsons with support from A. Tennant-Bumstead</p>	<p>January/February 2019</p>	<p>January/February 2019</p> <p>Complete</p>
<p>Update Cemetery conditions and program</p>	<p>A. Parsons with support from other staff</p>		<p>Complete</p>

Task	Staff Lead and Resources	Timeline	Updated Timeline
Public engagement			
Public engagement Community Needs Assessment- launched with public open house and then online survey to obtain feedback and input	A. Parsons Community Development and Marketing IT	Survey- February/ March 2019 Public Meeting February 2019	Survey- February or March 2019 Complete Public Meeting February 2019 Complete
SWOT Analysis: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Administrative services- Cemetery Operations- Cemetery Layout and function of the built environment The SWOT analysis will be performed by Cemetery Staff and informed by the public survey.	A. Parsons A. Tennant-Bumstead K. Shrider P. Coulter	February/March 2019	Ongoing
Recommendations- Review of the Community needs assessment survey and public meeting feedback	A. Parsons A. Tennant-Bumstead K. Shrider P. Coulter	March, April 2019	October/November 2019

Task	Staff Lead and Resources	Timeline	Updated Timeline
Present findings in a public meeting hosted by Committee			
Draft 2019 Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Review and Update Present draft plan to Committee and Council for approval	A. Parsons	May 2019 Community Services Committee	November 20 Community Services Committee
Present findings in a public meeting hosted by Committee	A. Parsons		January 15, 2020 Community Services Committee
By-law review Forms and contract regulatory compliance review	A. Parsons A. Tennant-Bumstead	May/June 2019	February 19, 2020 Community Services Committee

Analysis

What have we learned so far?

On February 20, 2019 at the Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Update open house, staff presented a presentation introducing the process and methodology, and attendees were divided into breakout groups to provide feedback on the reprioritization of the outstanding recommendations from the 2012 plan, and discuss what they appreciated about Greenwood Cemetery, and what could be improved.

14 members of the public attended the meeting.

2 recommendations outstanding from 2012 generated the most discussion and interest.

2012 Recommendation #16 -Develop a businesses case for the future expansion of the cemetery including consideration of natural burials and investigate the potential for purchase of adjacent lands

2012 Recommendation #17- That the development of a "Green/Natural Burial cemetery be considered at the future expansion of the Cemetery.

In addition to attendees at the open house, 15 emails and 2 phone calls were received voicing support for natural burials at Greenwood Cemetery by persons who were not able to attend the meeting in person.

Maintaining and restoring the heritage buildings, and GIS mapping of interment plots were also strongly supported by attendees at the open house.

Following the Open House on February 20, 2019, a 31 question online public engagement survey launched to gather feedback from residents and stakeholders regarding their sentiments about operations, services, foreseeable needs and future vision for Greenwood Cemetery.

Some qualifying questions led off the survey to help us understand who was responding.

52 responses were collected.

- 79% identified as City of Owen Sound residents. 78% of respondents indicated they lived in Owen Sound for more than 10 years.
- 63% of respondents identifies as female, 29% male, nearly 8% preferred not to identify their gender for the survey.
- 86% of respondents indicated they were not currently interment rights holders at Greenwood Cemetery.

See the attachment for the full complement of questions and responses.

What did the survey say?

The survey questions and associated responses are addressed in the presentation (attachment 2) that accompanies this report.

Some notable trends are:

- 91% of respondents indicated they felt the grounds and public spaces are well maintained, and 89% felt that customer service at Greenwood has met their expectations.
- Most respondents who were considering purchasing interment rights at Greenwood Cemetery planned to do so more than 5 years from now.
- 23 respondents (46%) indicated they were interested in “other” interment options than what they perceived to be available now. Of those 23, 17 responses (34% of responses to question 11) indicated they would like a natural burial option.
- Question 13 sought to understand why respondents visit Greenwood cemetery, with the top 3 answers indicated as:
 - o Enjoying a quiet Walk (75%)
 - o Walking to read stones (62%)
 - o Paying respects (51%)
- Question 14 asked “is there a service or amenity that is missing from Greenwood Cemetery”. 55% of responses said nothing was missing. 45% of respondents indicated they desired something that is not currently offered. 38% specified they wished to have natural burial as an option at Greenwood.
- When asked if there were any barriers to a respondent using Greenwood Cemetery, 9 respondents indicated that a lack of a natural burial option was a barrier. 15 respondents indicated there were no barriers.
- 87% indicated they support keeping the chapel, and 85% like the idea of renovating the space to create indoor columbaria.
- Respondents were given the opportunity to provide their ideas for use of the chapel if it were to be renovated. 15 answers were provided. Several further support the indoor columbarium use.

The Natural Burial Question

Throughout the first portion of the master plan process, natural burial has been a dominant theme of public input. Many aspects of what proponents of natural burials are seeking are currently permissible at Greenwood Cemetery.

What is a Natural Burial?

Generally, proponents of natural burials seek an end of life option that has minimal impact on the environment. Embalming, finely finished caskets manufactured with metal fasteners and hinges, monuments and pesticide use for grounds keeping are examples of common practices that someone seeking a natural burial may not support.

The existing Greenwood Cemetery bylaw, and the Funeral Burial and Cremation Services Act permit all of the aspects of natural burials noted above.

- Simple wood caskets with no metal fasteners are available in local funeral homes.
- In Ontario remains are not required to be embalmed, and the Greenwood Cemetery bylaw does not require embalming.
- No vault is required in certain sections at Greenwood Cemetery
- Monuments are not required at Greenwood Cemetery
- Generally it is the practice at Greenwood Cemetery not to use pesticides.

Natural Burial is a preferred option supported strongly by respondents. Generally, the conditions desired by proponents of natural burial are permissible today under the existing Greenwood Cemetery Bylaw. As a component of the Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Update, staff will contemplate methods of communicating and promoting permissible options for Natural Burial.

What are the next steps?

- 1) Based on public feedback via the online survey and public meeting, input from stakeholders and process observations, staff will draft recommendations that will form the basis of the Master Plan Update.
- 2) At the November 20, 2019 Community Services Committee meeting, staff will present the draft master plan for comment by committee.
- 3) On January 15, 2020 before Community Services Committee staff will host a public meeting to present the draft master plan update
- 4) At the February 19, 2020 Community Services Committee staff will bring a report outlining proposed Greenwood Cemetery bylaw updates based on the recommendations of the approved Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Update.

Financial/Budget Implications:

The Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Review will be performed in house by City staff.

No additional resources are requested to complete Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan review and update.

Communication Strategy:

This Report

A public meeting to present the draft master plan

Update of the Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Update Website

Notice of the upcoming open house will be sent out again prior to the January 15 Community Services Committee Meeting

Consultation:

Director of Community Services

Senior Manager of Property & Parks

Parks & Cemetery Administrative Coordinator

Parks and Cemetery Supervisor

Attachments:

- 1) Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Survey Questions and Responses

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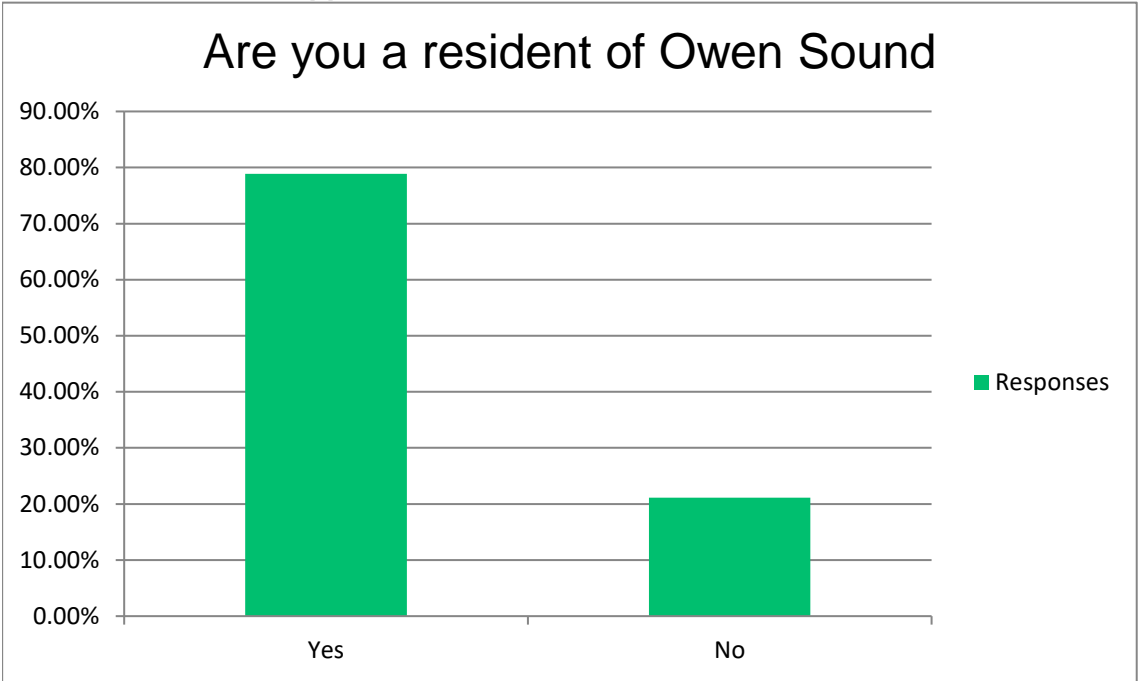
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Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Survey

Are you a resident of Owen Sound

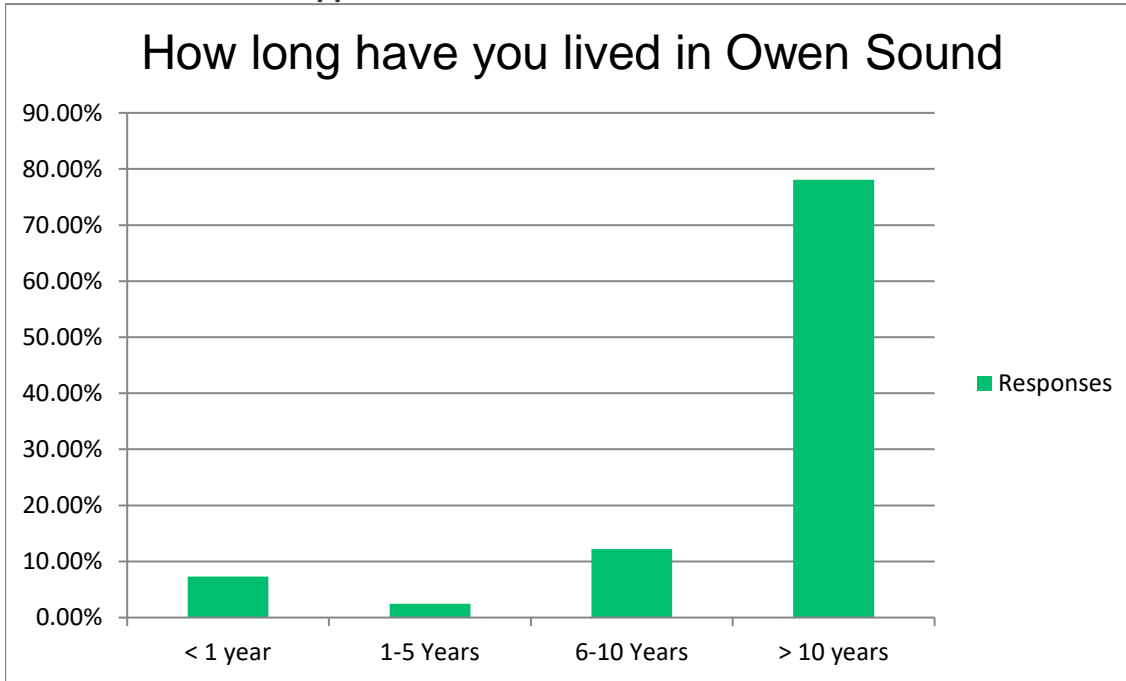
Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	78.85%	41
No	21.15%	11
Answered		52
Skipped		0



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How long have you lived in Owen Sound

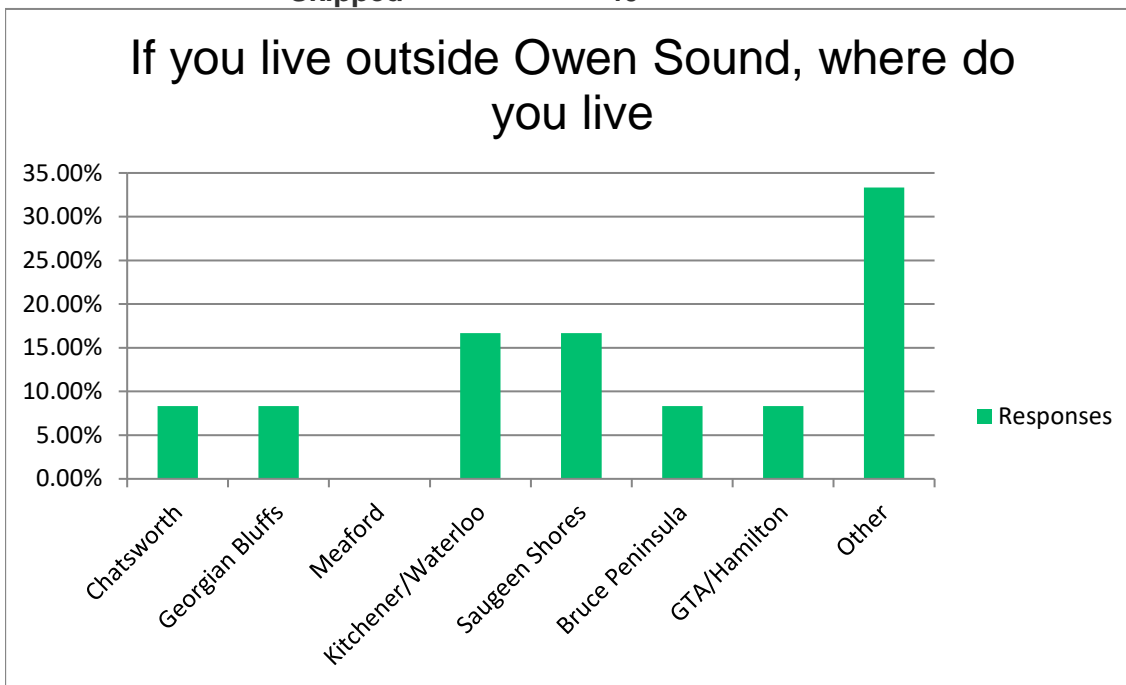
Answer Choices	Responses	
< 1 year	7.32%	3
1-5 Years	2.44%	1
6-10 Years	12.20%	5
> 10 years	78.05%	32
Answered		41
Skipped		11



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If you live outside Owen Sound, where do you live

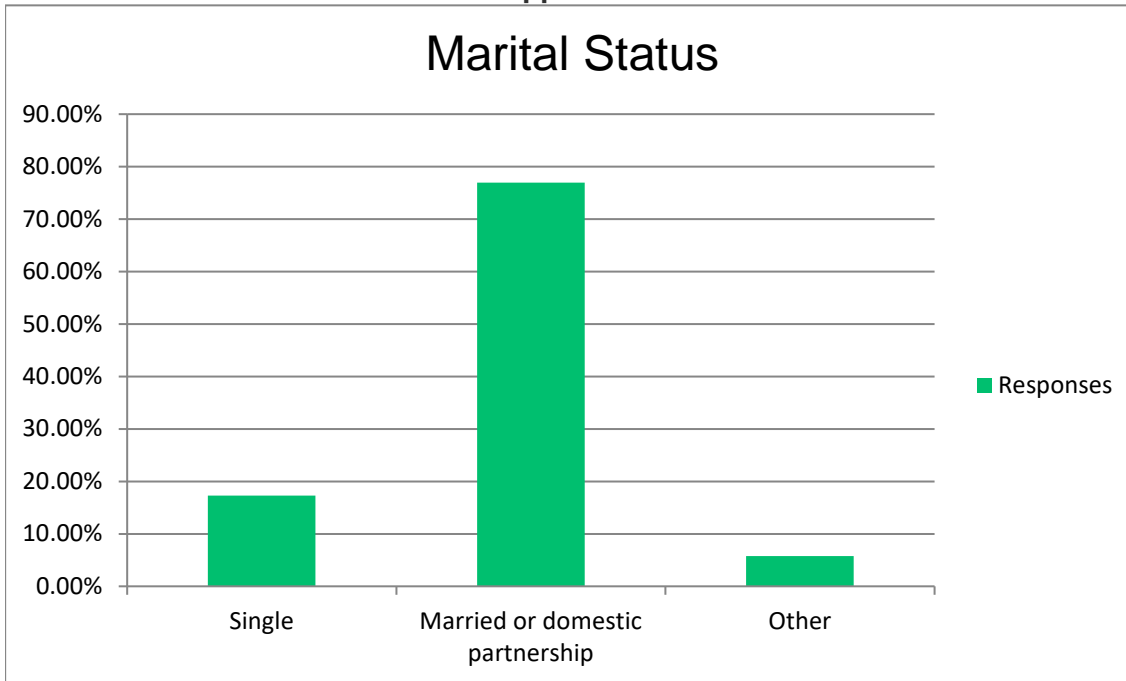
Answer Choices	Responses	
Chatsworth	8.33%	1
Georgian Bluffs	8.33%	1
Meaford	0.00%	0
Kitchener/Waterloo	16.67%	2
Saugeen Shores	16.67%	2
Bruce Peninsula	8.33%	1
GTA/Hamilton	8.33%	1
Other	33.33%	4
Answered		12
Skipped		40



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Marital Status

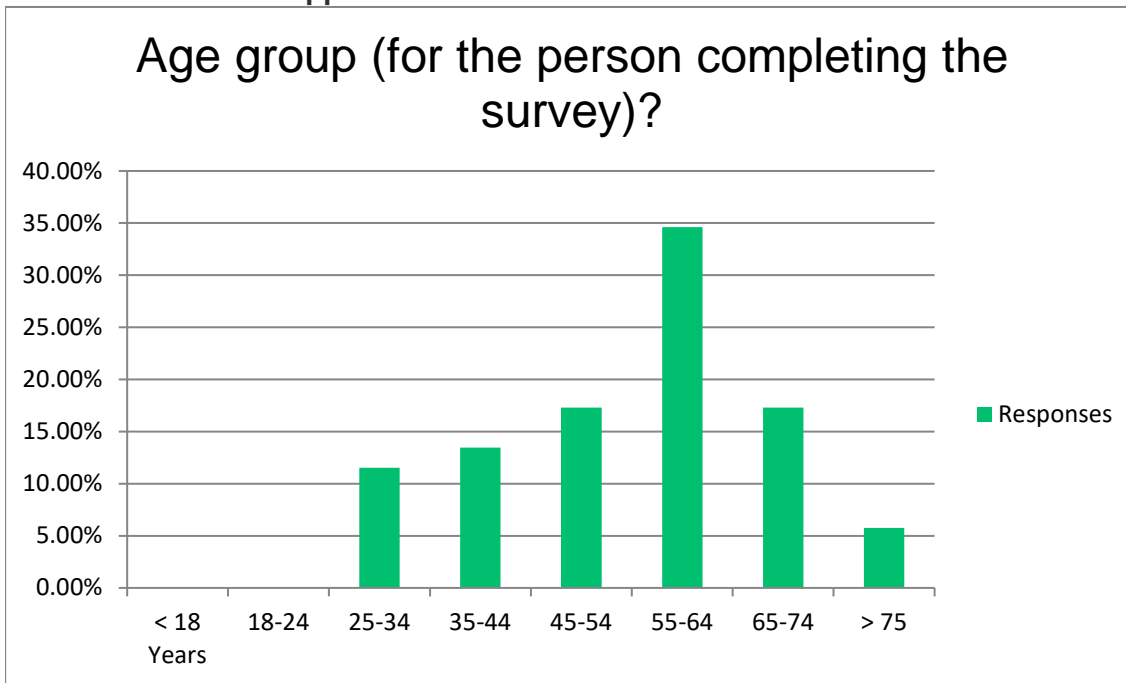
Answer Choices	Responses	
Single	17.31%	9
Married or domestic partnership	76.92%	40
Other	5.77%	3
Answered		52
Skipped		0



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Age group (for the person completing the survey)?

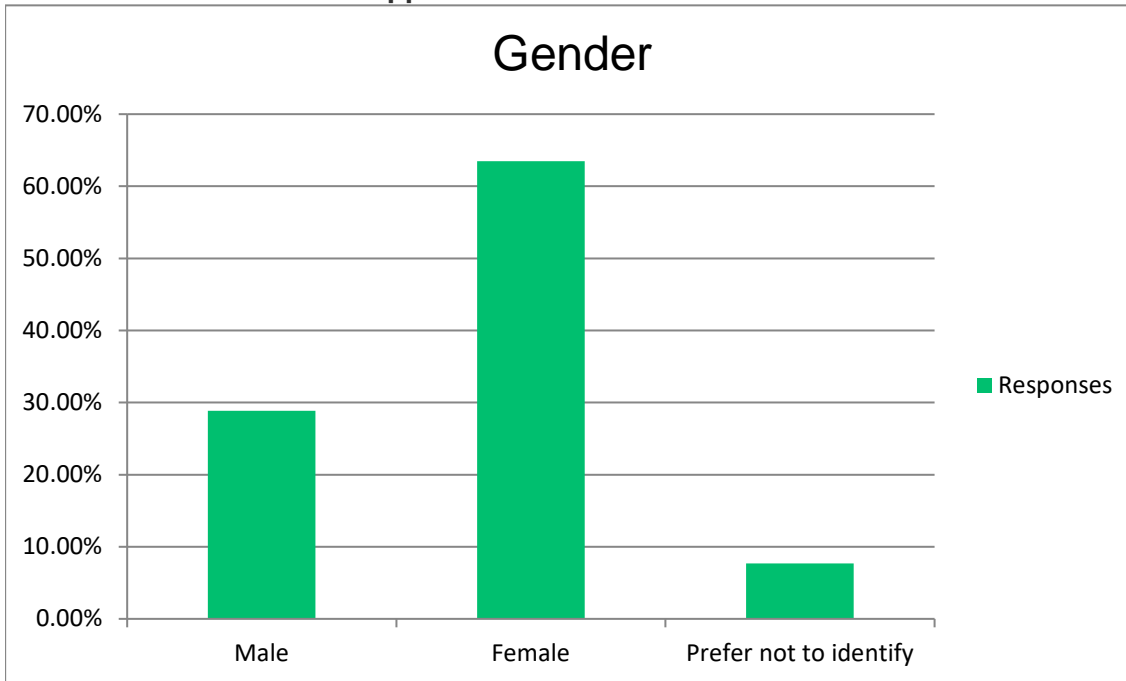
Answer Choices	Responses	
< 18 Years	0.00%	0
18-24	0.00%	0
25-34	11.54%	6
35-44	13.46%	7
45-54	17.31%	9
55-64	34.62%	18
65-74	17.31%	9
> 75	5.77%	3
Answered		52
Skipped		0



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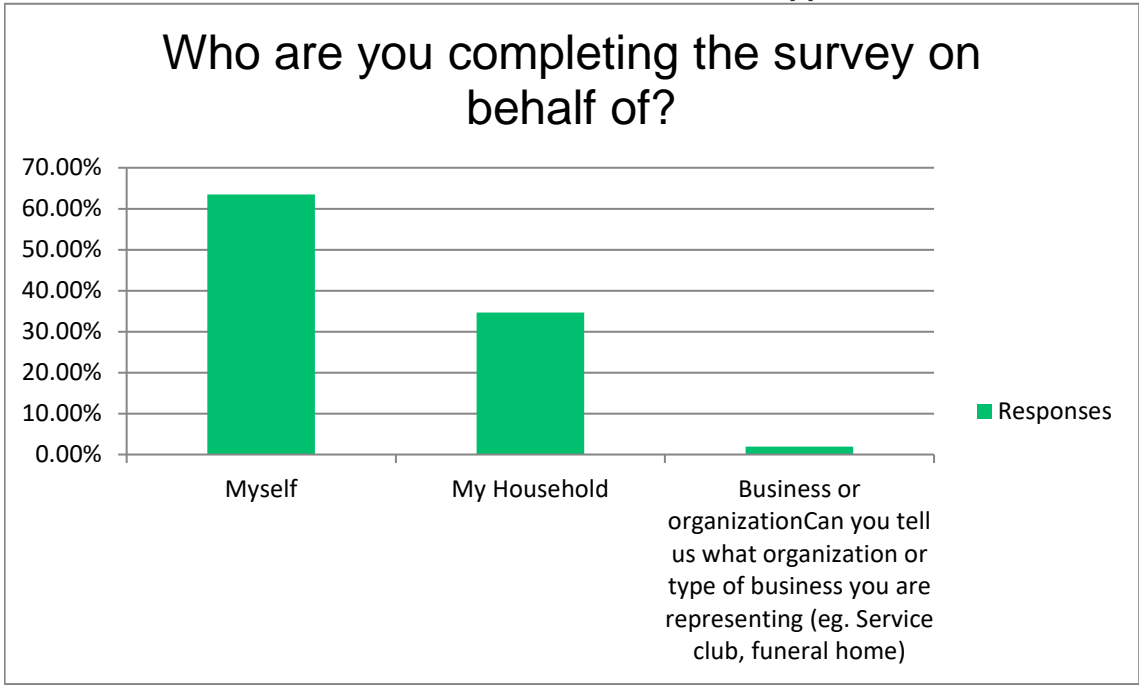
Gender

Answer Choices	Responses	
Male	28.85%	15
Female	63.46%	33
Prefer not to identify	7.69%	4
Answered		52
Skipped		0



Greenwood Cemetery Master Plan Survey
Who are you completing the survey on behalf of?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Myself	63.46%	33
My Household	34.62%	18
Business or organization Can you tell us what organization or type of business you are representing (eg. Service club, funeral home)	1.92%	1
Answered		52
Skipped		0

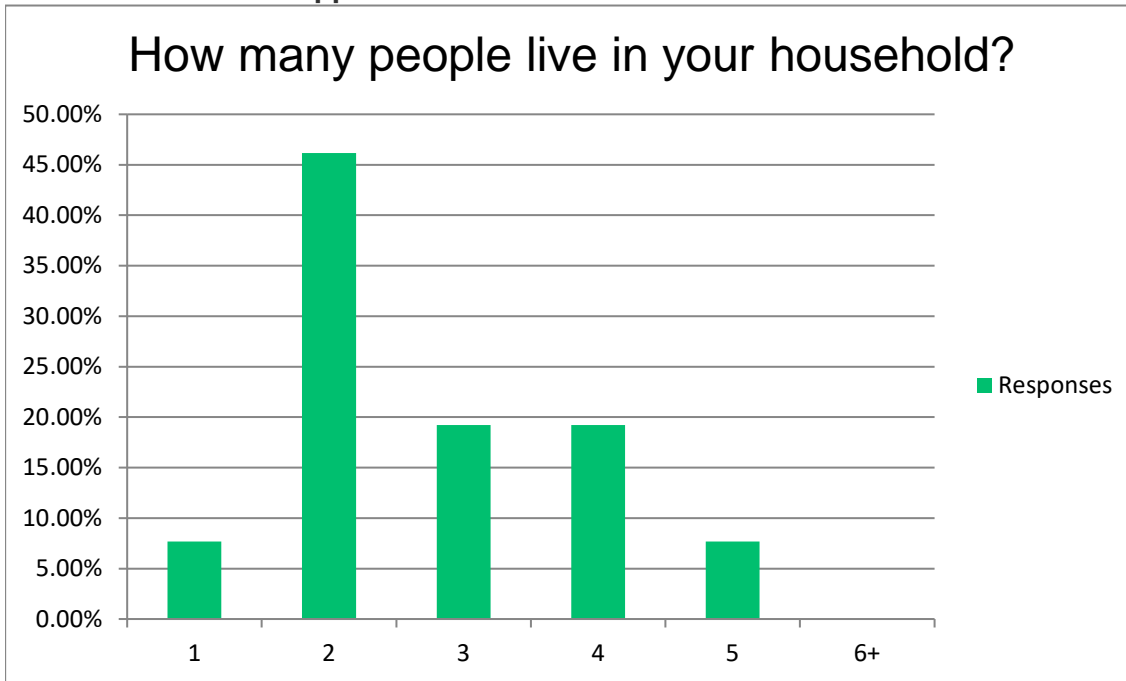


Respondents	Business or organization Can you tell us what organization or type of business you are representing (eg. Service club, funeral home)
	1 Funeral Provider

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How many people live in your household?

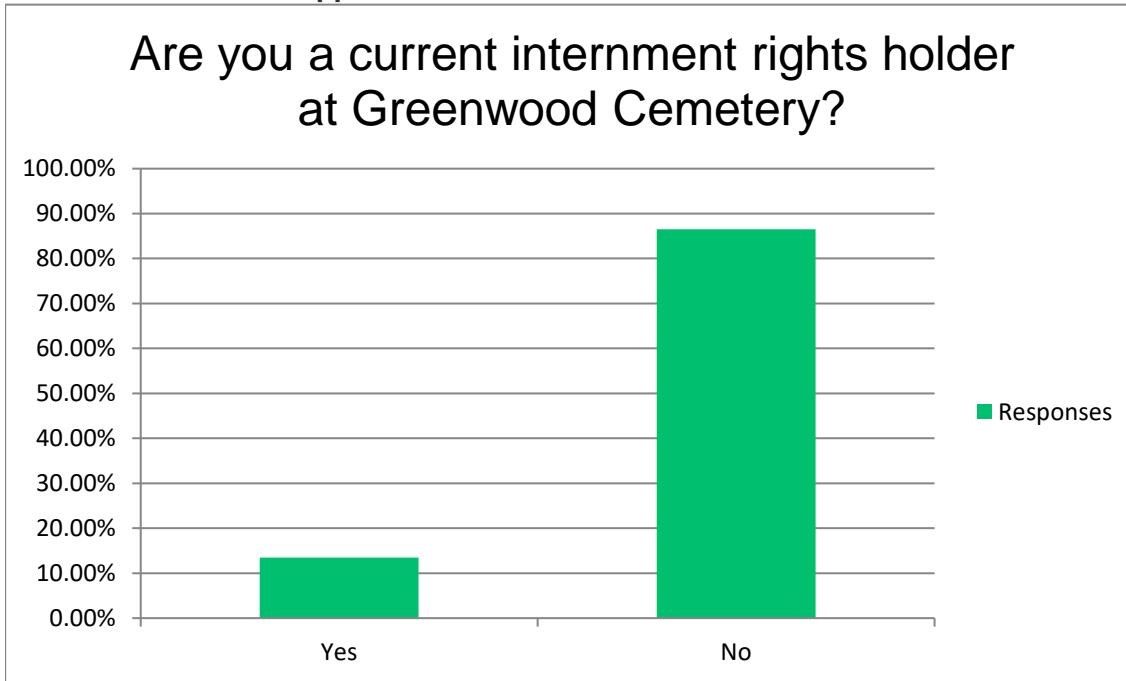
Answer Choices	Responses	
1	7.69%	4
2	46.15%	24
3	19.23%	10
4	19.23%	10
5	7.69%	4
6+	0.00%	0
Answered		52
Skipped		0



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Are you a current interment rights holder at Greenwood Cemetery?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	13.46%	7
No	86.54%	45
Answered		52
Skipped		0



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Are you considering purchasing interment rights at Greenwood Cemetery?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Within 1 year	7.69%	4
In the next 2 – 5 years	17.31%	9
5+ Years	34.62%	18
I'm not considering purchasing interment rights at Greenwood Cemetery	40.38%	21
Answered		52
Skipped		0



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I am interested in

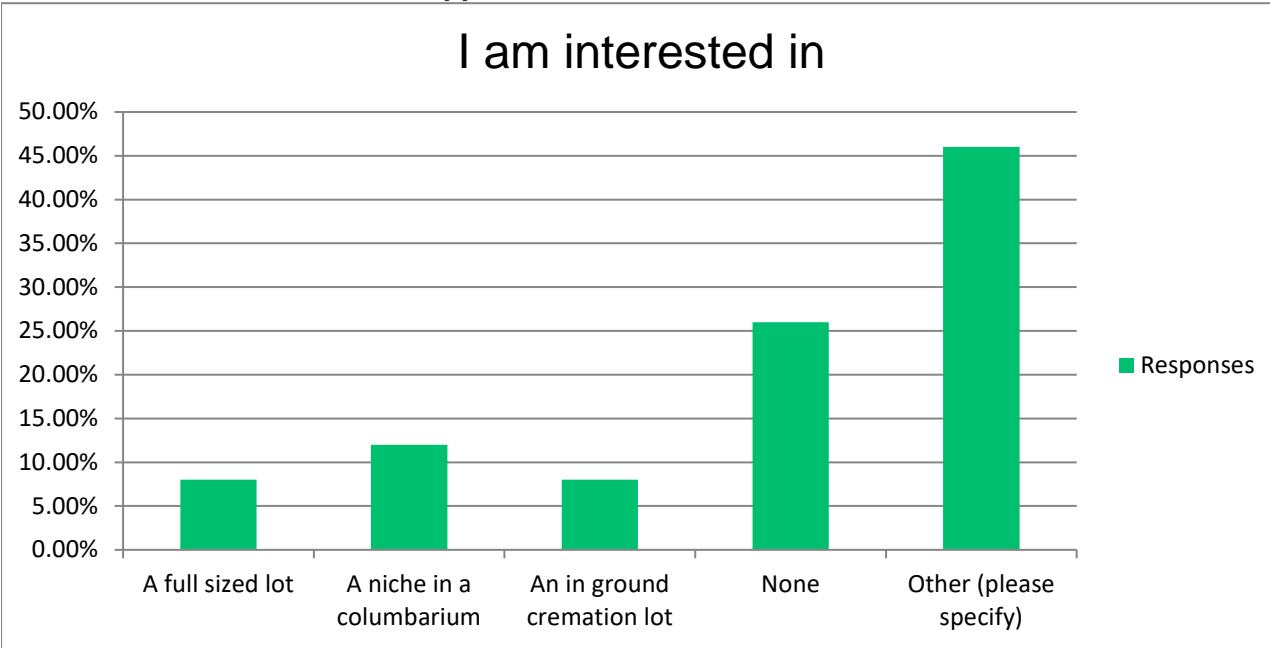
Answer Choices	Responses	
A full sized lot	8.00%	4
A niche in a columbarium	12.00%	6
An in ground cremation lot	8.00%	4
None	26.00%	13
Other (please specify)	46.00%	23

Answered

50

Skipped

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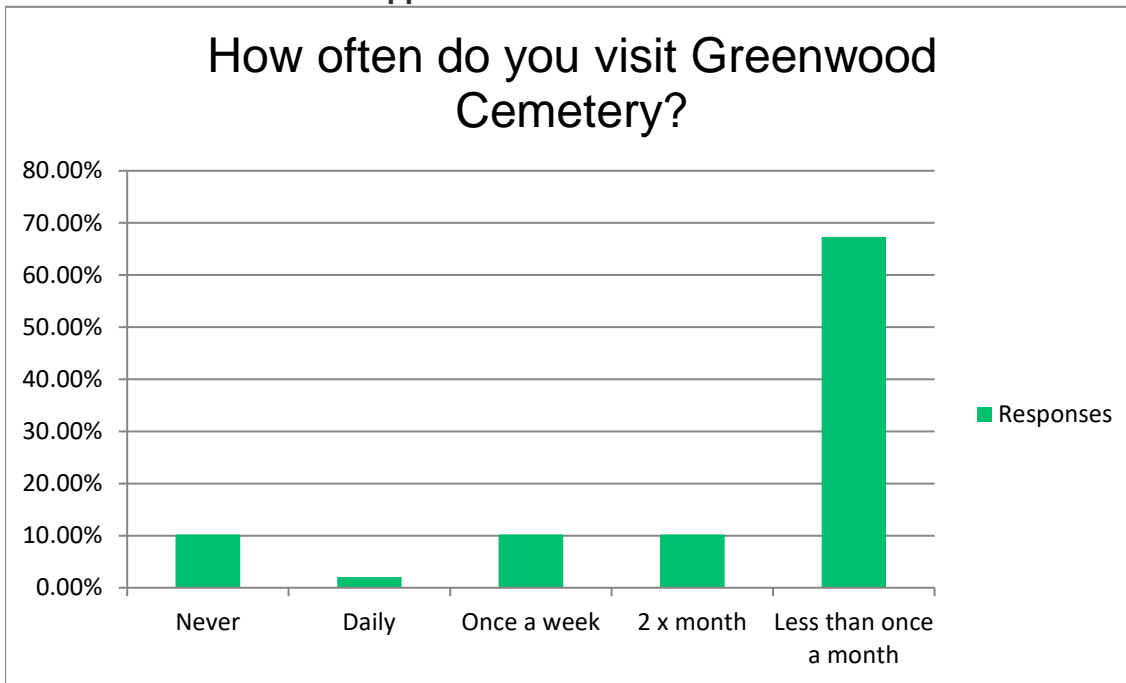


Respondents	Other (please specify)
	1 Natural burial
	2 natural burial
	3 natural burial site
	4 Unsure
	5 Owner of plots
	6 Green burial, I hope
	7 Haven't yet decided
	8 heritage of the cemetery
	9 Natural burial
	10 Natural
	11 Full size Natural Burial plot
	12 Natural Burial
	13 A green bairial, does not need to be marked
	14 natural burial
	15 natural burial
	16 Scattering
	17 If natural burial becomes available I will purchase for myself and for my husband.
	18 Natural burial
	19 Natural burial
	20 Cremation or natural burial lot
	21 Natural Burial
	22 Will consider all options at a later date
	23 natural burial

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How often do you visit Greenwood Cemetery?

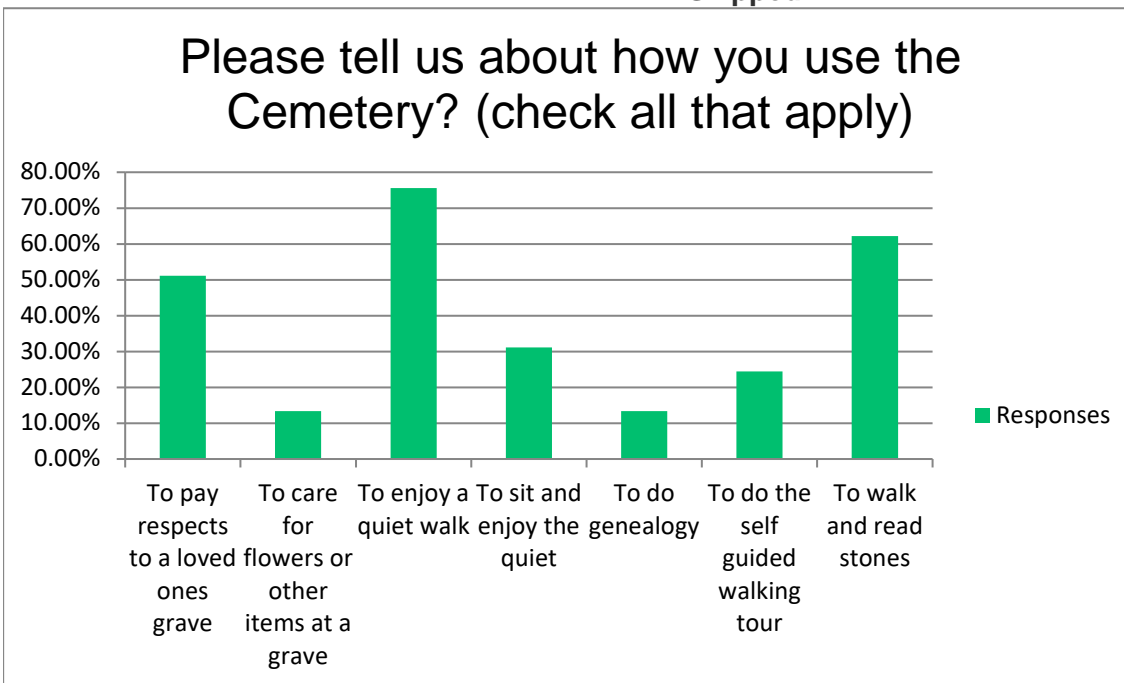
Answer Choices	Responses	
Never	10.20%	5
Daily	2.04%	1
Once a week	10.20%	5
2 x month	10.20%	5
Less than once a month	67.35%	33
Answered		49
Skipped		3



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Please tell us about how you use the Cemetery? (check all that apply)

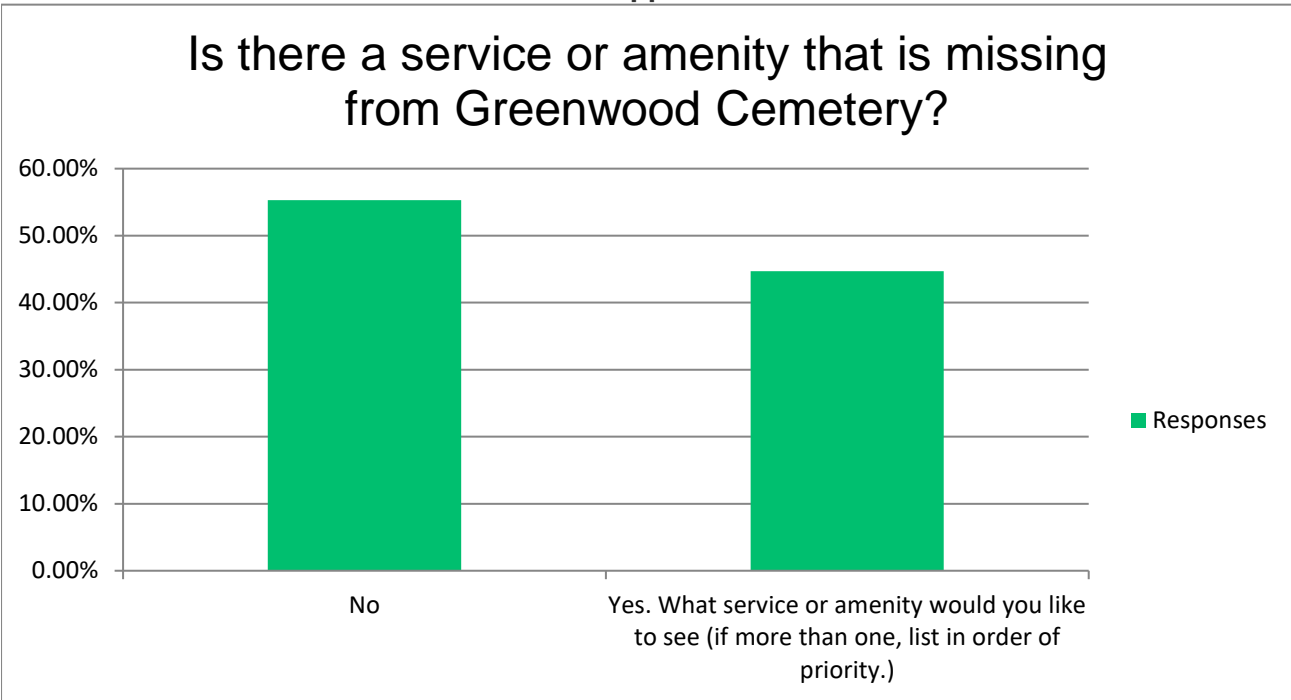
Answer Choices	Responses	
To pay respects to a loved ones grave	51.11%	23
To care for flowers or other items at a grave	13.33%	6
To enjoy a quiet walk	75.56%	34
To sit and enjoy the quiet	31.11%	14
To do genealogy	13.33%	6
To do the self guided walking tour	24.44%	11
To walk and read stones	62.22%	28
	Answered	45
	Skipped	7



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Is there a service or amenity that is missing from Greenwood Cemetery?

Answer Choices	Responses	Count
No	55.32%	26
Yes. What service or amenity would you like to see (if more than one, list in order of priority.)	44.68%	21
Answered		47
Skipped		5



- Respondents
- 1 Natural burial
 - 2 natural burial
 - 3 Area for natural burials Benches in natural area
 - 4 i would be interested in green burial
 - 5 Natural Burial
 - 6 Green burial
 - 7 I nice gstrden table where people can prep some of their plants. No tools should be the city's responsibility. People bring their own supplies just use the table to prep. Just a thought 😊
 - 8 we should have added natural burial to the options
 - 9 Natural burial
 - 10 I would really like to have a green burial in my community if possible.
 - 11 natural burial. I am concerned about RECOMMENDATION #16: That the development of a "Green/Natural Burial Cemetery" be considered at the time of future expansion of the Cemetery. Greenwood. This probably means I won't have a natural burial option in my lifetime. Please revise this and start a pilot project now, for natural burial.
 - 12 better service for flat stones
 - 13 Another Mausoleum

1. Green Burial: I understand that one has the option to have a plain, unvarnished, unembellished casket without hardware and that is the option for green burial at present. I would like to see the cemetery take natural burial further by 1. selecting a specific area for this purpose 2. allowing interment in biodegradable caskets, such as wicker 3. allowing traditional natural burial in shrouds made of natural fibres such as linen, cotton, silk. □

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2. Bio Urns: These urns provide a tree seed or sapling which grown from the urn of cremains. A section of Greenwood could conceivably be set aside to create a memorial forest in which these tree pod urns are used. □

□

I have been asked to prioritize these services, but I would very much like to see both of them come to fruition.

15 Natural burial

16 Natural burial plot

17 Natural burial section

18 The Potters Field Natural Burial

19 natural burial

20 Natural burial options

21 Natural burial

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Is there a barrier or something that prevents you from using Greenwood Cemetery?

Answered 27

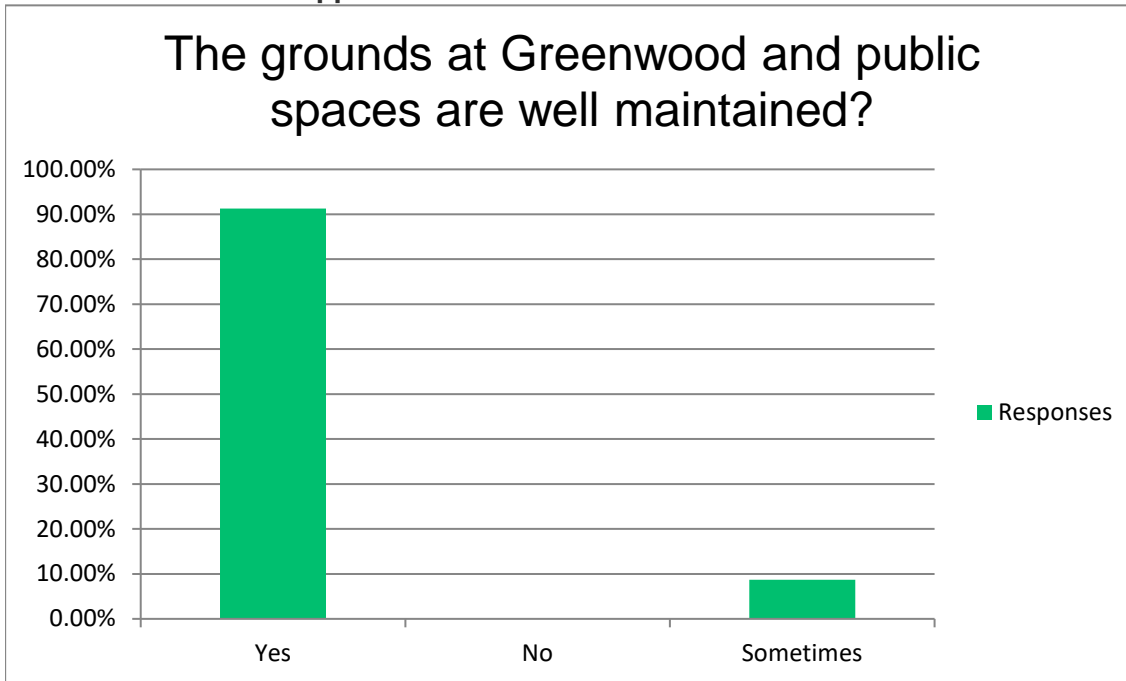
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Respondents	Responses
1	No. But there is no plans for natural burial.
2	lack of natural burial
3	No
4	no. I have just not given this topic much thought
5	No
6	Perhaps more benches
7	no
8	Expensive. No green burial.
9	no
10	Washrooms would be good especially for elderly visitors
11	No
12	No
13	no
14	No
15	No
16	I can't get burial in an environmental safe way.
17	No
18	some of the space at Greenwood as a green burial site.
19	no natural burial option
20	no
21	No
22	No
23	No.
24	No natural burial
25	no
26	What would prevent me from using it would be no Natural Burial area for me when I die
27	Now? No. After i die? yes, Id like a natural burial.

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The grounds at Greenwood and public spaces are well maintained?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	91.30%	42
No	0.00%	0
Sometimes	8.70%	4
Answered		46
Skipped		6



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What could the City do to improve the level of grounds maintenance?

Answered 17

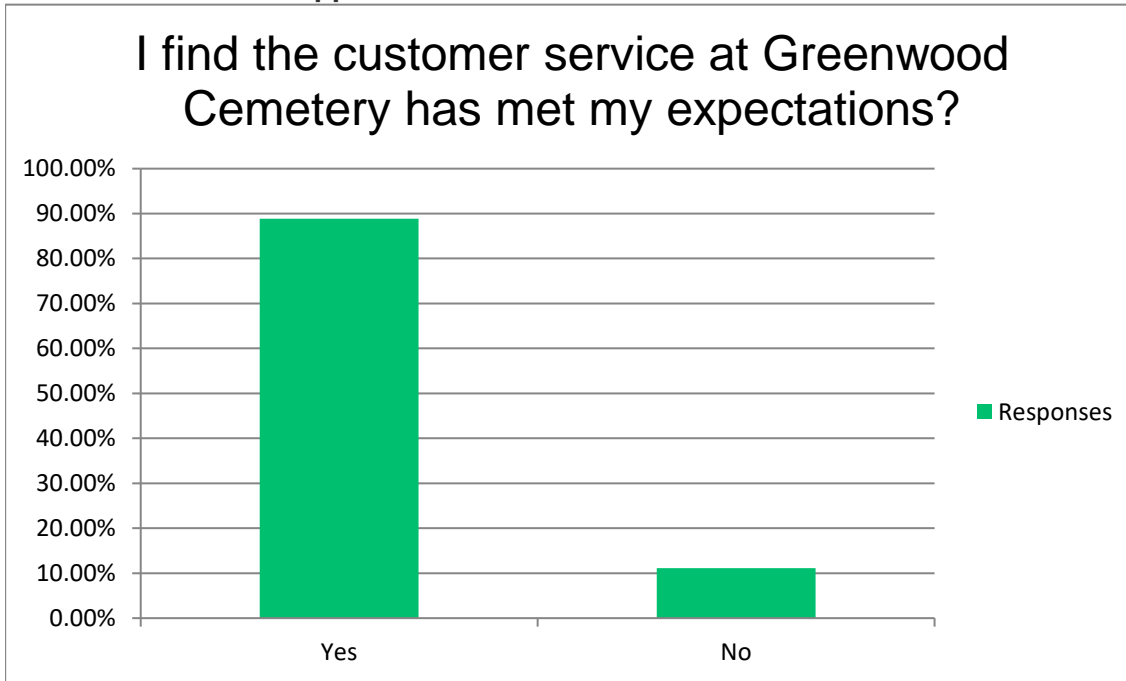
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Respondents	Responses
1	Provide area for natural burial.
2	i am not sure
3	?
4	NA
5	More full time staff which would allow grounds to be manicured and up held throughout the year.
6	Repair/replace some of the paved sections that are uneven. Remove pavement and have natural grass driveways.
7	More staff
8	Less herbicides, more indiginious plants.
9	I believe the employment of summer students to maintain the grounds under direction of a parks employee would work well.
10	better care of flat stones
11	Maybe edge around the flat marker section so stones are clearly visible all year round.
12	I think they do a great job
13	I don't know.
14	no opinion
15	Nothing - I like it they way it is.
16	have fewer stones for those who want a natural burial
17	walking paths safely maintained

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I find the customer service at Greenwood Cemetery has met my expectations?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	88.89%	32
No	11.11%	4
Answered		36
Skipped		16



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Is there anything we could offer in terms of the administration and customer service that would improve your experience?

Answered

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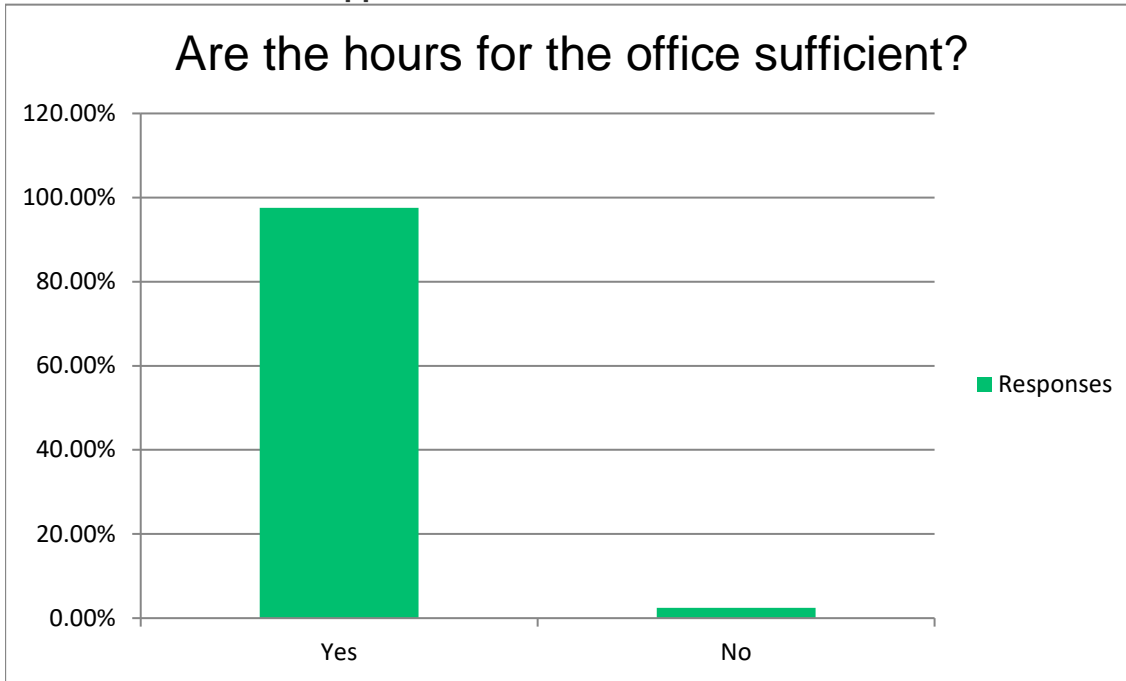
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Respondents	Responses
1	No I have never had to use the services at the cemetery. So it is not appropriate to reply YES to
2	#17.
3	Have had any contact with the cemetery.
4	No
5	I have never used it but no na in question. I know Amanda is a kind and catering individual
6	More thought needed about serving the actual resident's needs, not just yours. Listening??
7	No
8	Natural Burial options
9	I really have not had anything to do with the administration at the cemetery
10	no
11	Nothing I can think of
12	Not that I can think of.
13	Natural burial
14	no opinion
15	N/a
16	natural burial
17	never required customer service

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Are the hours for the office sufficient?

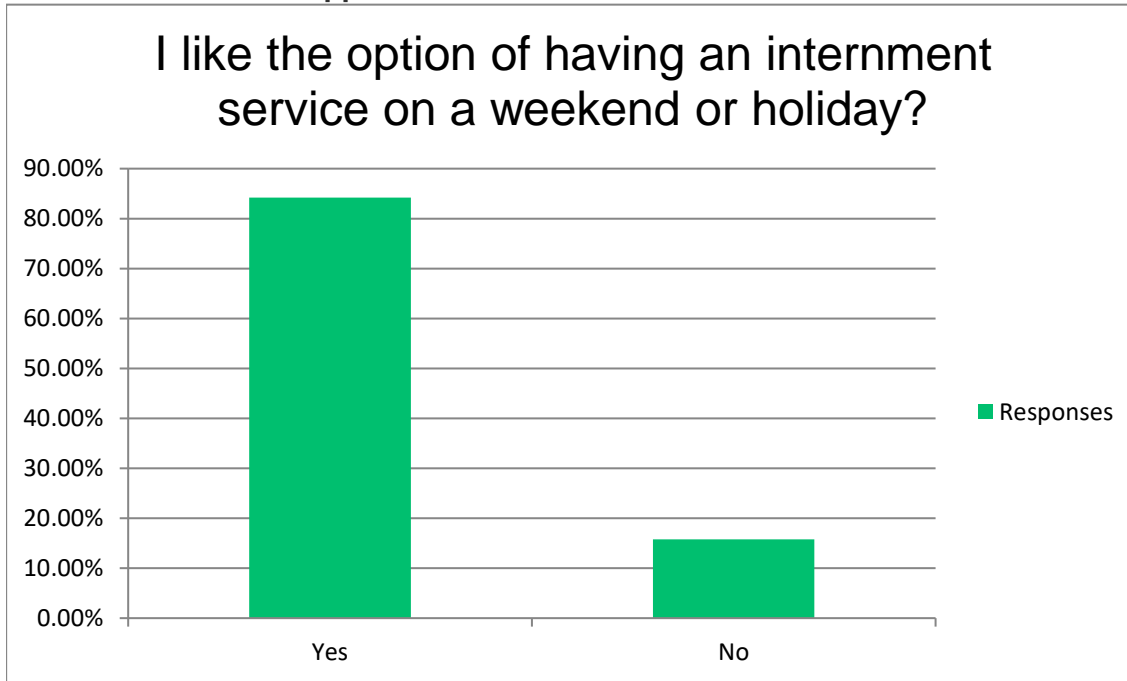
Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	97.56%	40
No	2.44%	1
Answered		41
Skipped		11



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I like the option of having an internment service on a weekend or holiday?

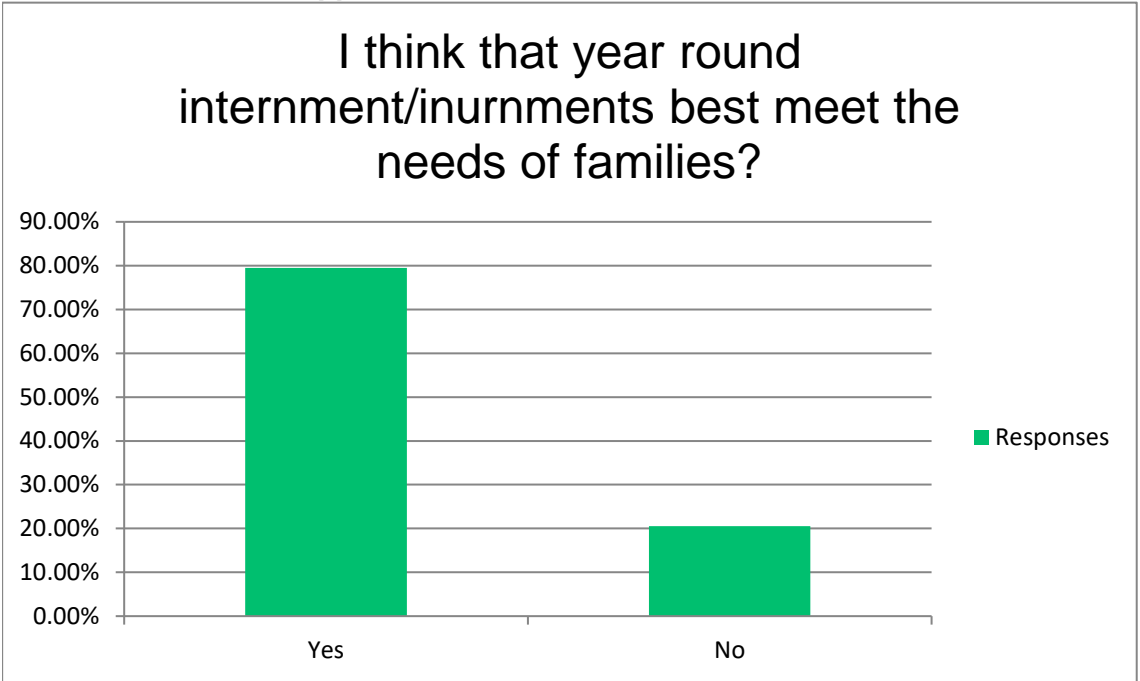
Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	84.21%	32
No	15.79%	6
Answered		38
Skipped		14



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I think that year round internment/inurnments best meet the needs of families?

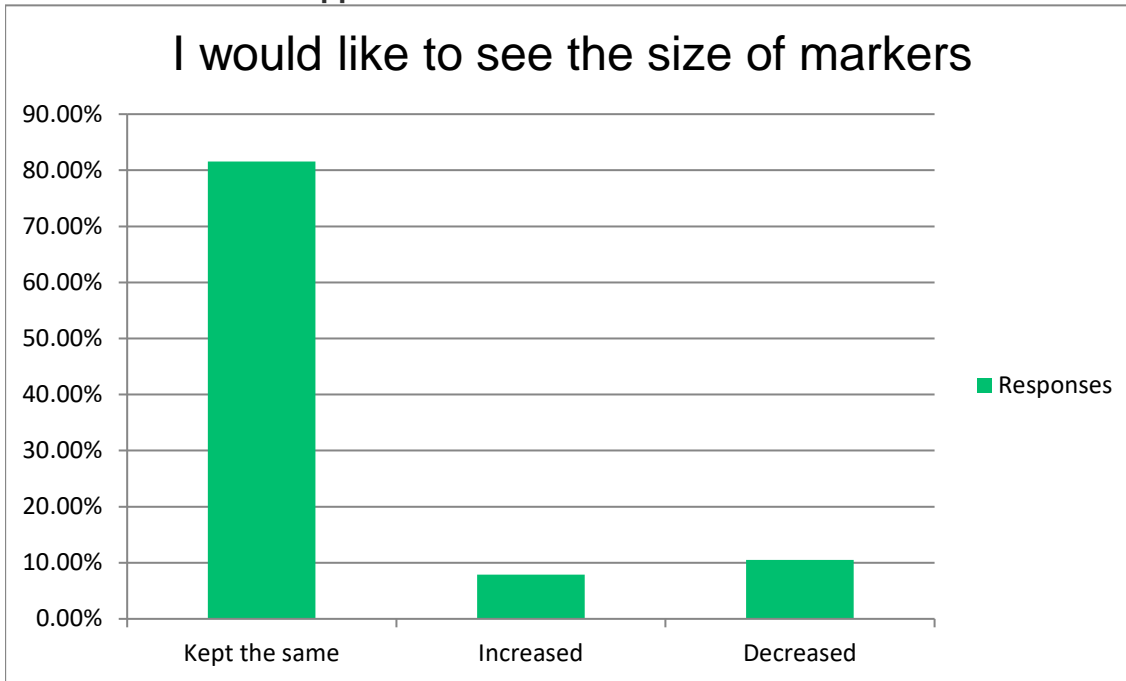
Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	79.49%	31
No	20.51%	8
	Answered	39
	Skipped	13



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I would like to see the size of markers

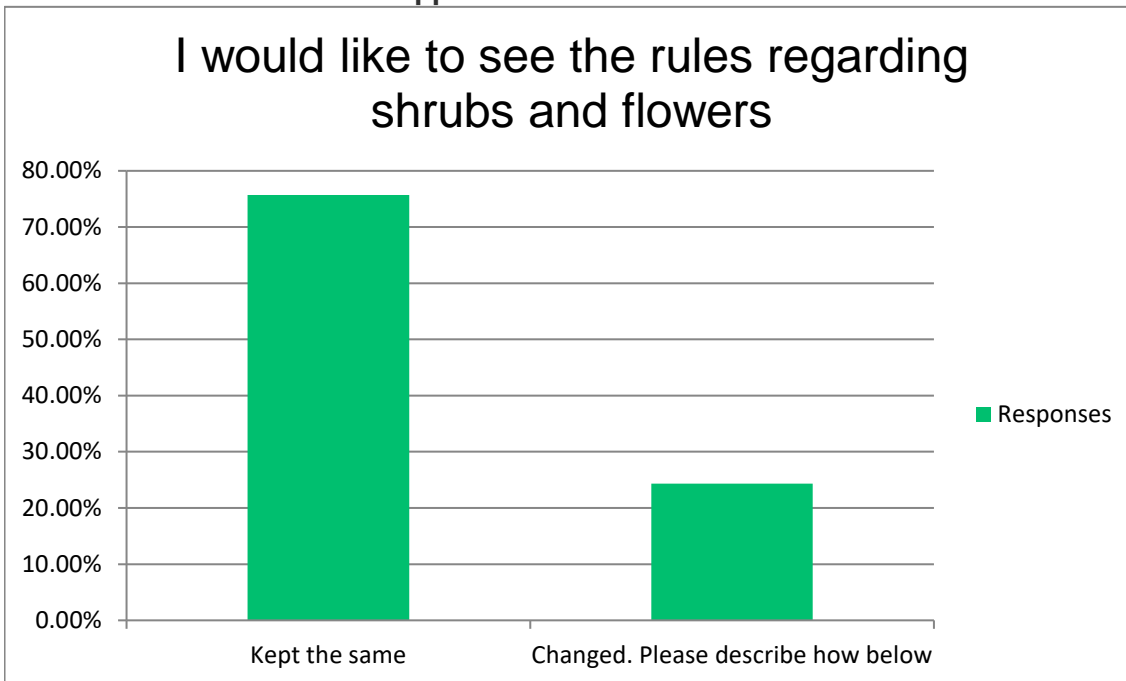
Answer Choices	Responses	
Kept the same	81.58%	31
Increased	7.89%	3
Decreased	10.53%	4
Answered		38
Skipped		14



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I would like to see the rules regarding shrubs and flowers

Answer Choices	Responses	Percentage	Count
Kept the same		75.68%	28
Changed. Please describe how below		24.32%	9
Answered			37
Skipped			15

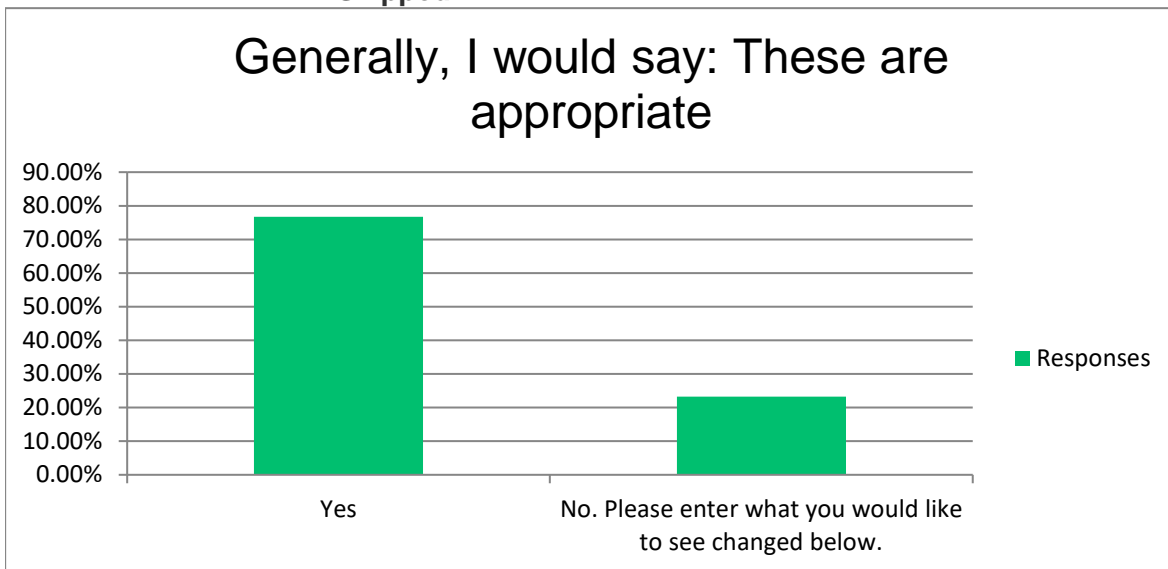


Respondents	Changed. Please describe how below
1	I would like a space prepared for natural burial that increases the number of trees not just prescribed shrubs.,
2	Shrubs and flowers are fine. Artificial flowers and other paraphernalia at gravesite should not be permitted.
3	Shrubs on some plots are badly over grown!
4	I prefer a more natural setting
5	Perhaps common shrub types and sizes could be permitted without a contract. Example if you want this - show example - you can have it. Anything else requires special contract. Save paperwork and enhance greenery and consistency of the cemetery look.
6	Larger and wider is fine. I like to see flourishing living things and i think that is encouraging to people. ...though maintained. Scent gardens and butterfly gardens appeal to different senses and people. More of a forested/garden place with benches etc
7	Maybe allow for small trees.
8	include trees and indigenous plants for a natural burial site
9	I don't like seeing shrubs totally closing off a stone. When this happens the usually start to encroach on neighbouring stones.

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Generally, I would say: These are appropriate

Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	76.74%	33
No. Please enter what you would like to see changed below.	23.26%	10
Answered		43
Skipped		9

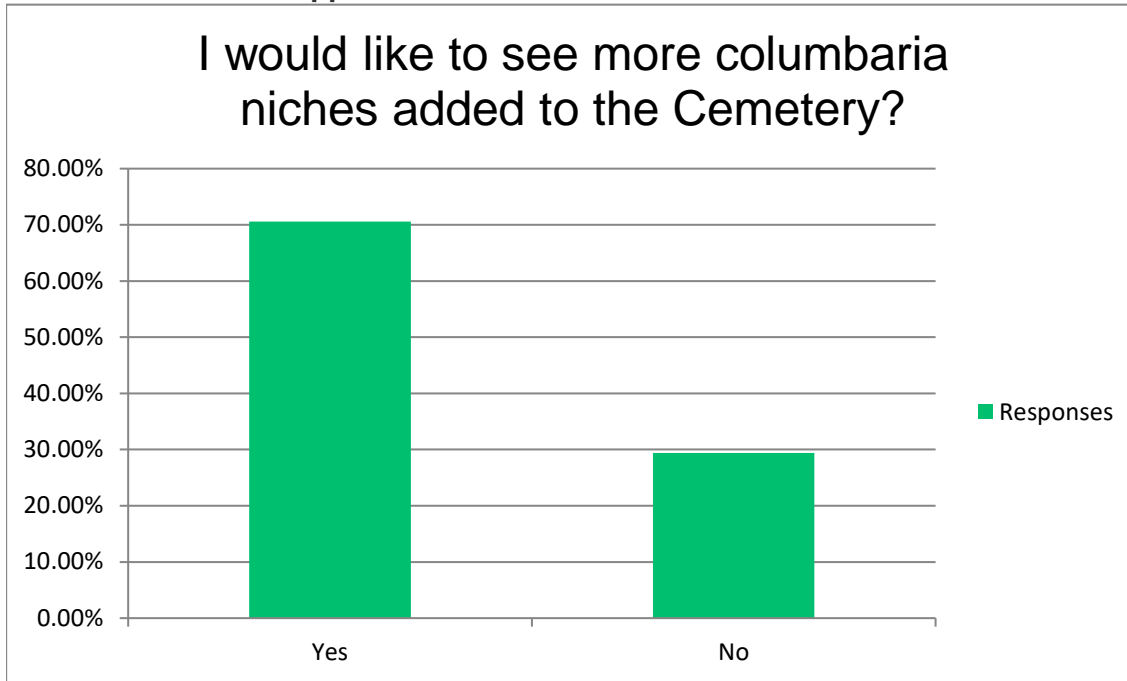


Respondents	No. Please enter what you would like to see changed below.
1	It looks horrible and shouldn't be permitted. I think lights are inappropriate. I think decorations should be modest, but do respect people's right to honour their deceased loved ones in their own fashion.
2	
3	I personally do not like these, however people grieve in different ways!
4	Not appropriate.
5	There should be a limit as to the number of items per plot.
6	This is challenging, as the graves are close together - one family's tastes maybe very different from that of the neighbours, all the "stuff" on one, might take away from the dignity of the neighbour.
7	I wouldn't want people adding plants or decoration in a natural burial area.
8	Less clutter
9	Probably limit the use of plastics now - they cause a huge issue in the enviroment.
10	Nothing uglier than bright fake coloured plastic flowers

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I would like to see more columbaria niches added to the Cemetery?

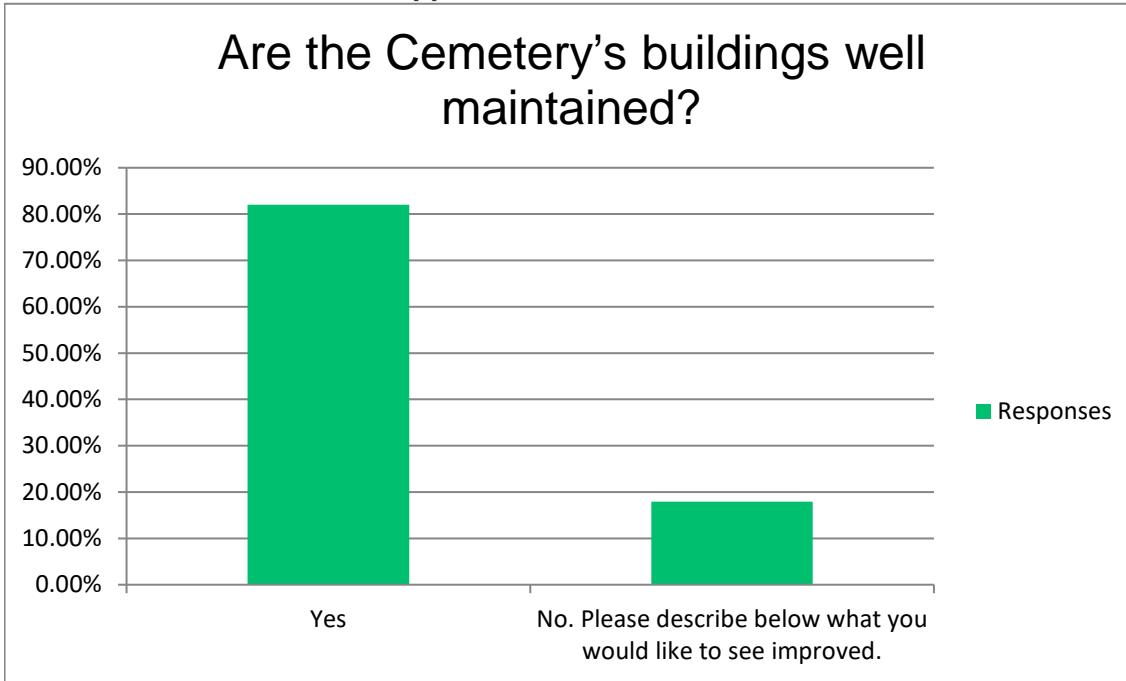
Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	70.59%	24
No	29.41%	10
Answered		34
Skipped		18



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Are the Cemetery's buildings well maintained?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	82.05%	32
No. Please describe below what you would like to see improved.	17.95%	7
Answered		39
Skipped		13

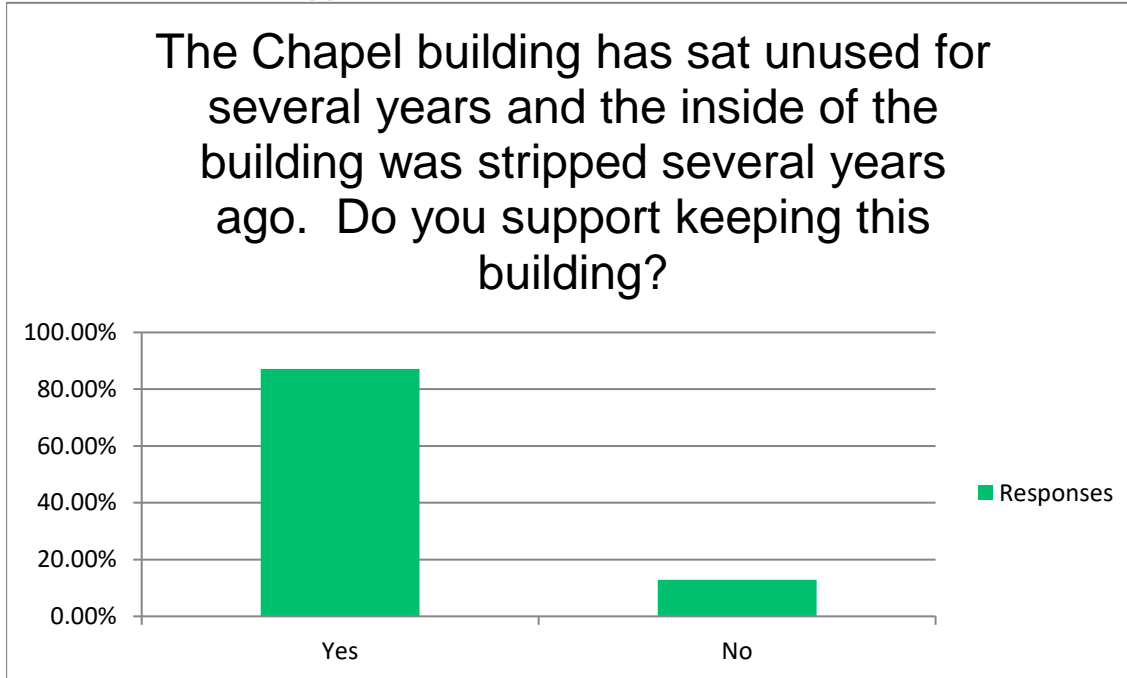


Respondents	No. Please describe below what you would like to see improved.
	1 Honestly, I simply do not know.
	2 Chapel should be opened up
	Yes and no. There are always ongoing improvements needed to any building of a certain age. When the other buildings are functioning well, the chapel could use attention to make it once again a focal point and useful building. If you add columbarium, could be a mix of transparent and non-transparent depending on the area of the building. Do not cover the windows as natural light and connection to the peaceful surroundings is what would attract one to such a resting place for a loved one (unlike the photos in the following questions).
	3
	4 The office building updated
	5 Chapel needs restoration
	6 well maintained except for chapel
	7 chapel

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The Chapel building has sat unused for several years and the inside of the building was stripped several years ago. Do you support keeping this building?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	87.18%	34
No	12.82%	5
	Answered	39
	Skipped	13

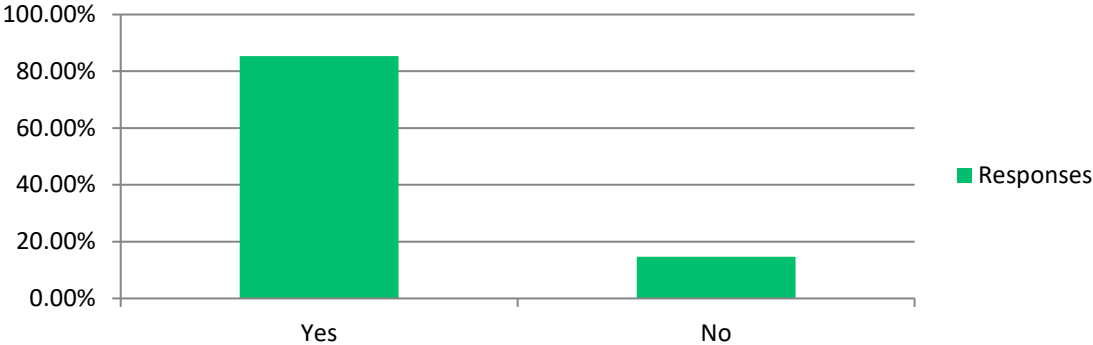


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Council has considered renovating the space to include an indoor columbarium. The walls could be lined with columbarium niches. Do you support this idea?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	85.37%	35
No	14.63%	6
	Answered	41
	Skipped	11

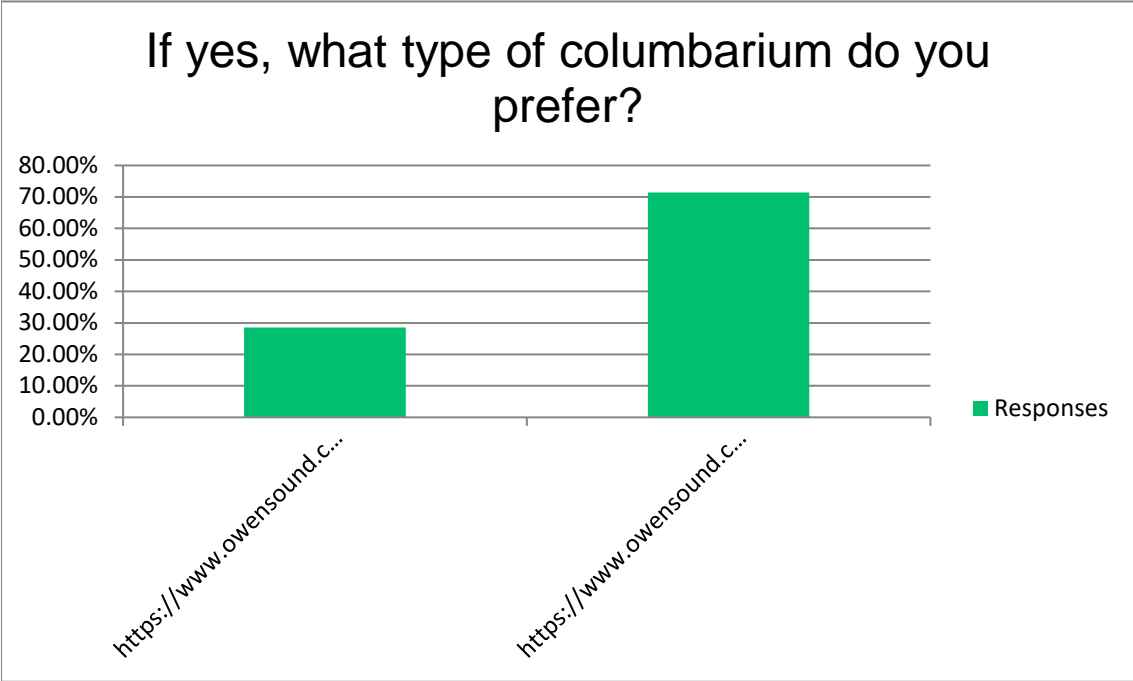
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If yes, what type of columbarium do you prefer?

Answer Choices	Responses	
https://www.owensound.ca/en/city-hall/resources/Images/indoor-columbarium-with-glass.jpg	28.57%	10
https://www.owensound.ca/en/city-hall/resources/Images/transparent-niches.jpg	71.43%	25
Answered	35	
Skipped	17	



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What other uses would you like to see considered for this space?

Answered 15

Skipped 37

Respondents	Responses
1	Natural burial
2	unsure
3	No other ideas
4	A chapel, although it would be difficult to maintain hours and the risk of vandalism purposes similar to Tone studio or Harrison Park buildings for meetings or catered luncheons.
5	It can be a silent meditation space or renovated to house cemetery and heritage records. Reflection/personal space/spiritual place/ chapel again out of the weather/place for families
6	visiting gravesides
7	Na
8	I am in favour of Natural Burial. Have a area where people can pray and sit. Maybe a area to light candles in memory of loved
9	one if this could be safe.
10	I like the columbarium idea best.
11	no opinion
12	Perhaps it could be used for funeral services or other historical/geneology/etc teaching space.
13	Have the Potters Field recognized with names and plaques and a Natural Burial area
14	Natural burial! It's environmentally friendlier. No embalming needed.
15	Onsite funeral services