

Notice of Meeting and Agenda

Local Partnership - Paisley North, West & Central

Date	Time	Venue
Tuesday, 09 February 2021	18:00	Remote meeting using Microsoft Teams,

KENNETH GRAHAM
Head of Corporate Governance

Membership

Alan Clark (CREATE Paisley); Councillor Carolann Davidson; Mike Dillon (Paisley North Community Council); Margaret Dymond (Maxwellton Court Tenants Association); Darran Gillan (YMCA Paisley); Councillor Edward Grady; Heather Kay (STAR Project); Councillor Karen Kennedy; Alison Love (Disability Arts Forum); Councillor Cathy McEwan; John McIntyre (Ferguslie Community Council); Councillor John McIntyre; Councillor Kenny MacLaren; Councillor Mags MacLaren; Councillor John McNaughtan; Councillor Will Mylet; Councillor Jim Paterson; John Wilby (Paisley West & Central Community Council); and Christine Williams (REEM).

Councillor John McNaughtan, (Chair); John Wilby (Paisley West & Central Community Council), (Vice Chair).

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Items of business

Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare an interest in any item(s) on the agenda and to provide a brief explanation of the nature of the interest.

Apologies

Apologies from members.

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| 2 | Budget Monitoring and Celebrating Renfrewshire Report | 9 - 24 |
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Minute of Meeting

Local Partnership – Paisley North, West and Central

Tuesday, 15 September 2020	18:00	Teams Meeting

Present

Alan Clark (CREATE Paisley); Councillor Carolann Davidson; Margaret Dymond (Maxwellton Court Tenants' Association); Darran Gillan (YMCA Paisley); Heather Kay (STAR Project); Councillor Cathy McEwan, John McIntyre (Ferguslie Community Council); Councillor John McIntyre, Councillor John McNaughtan, Councillor Jim Paterson, John Wilby (Paisley West & Central Community Council); and Christine Williams (REEM).

Chair

Councillor John McNaughtan, Chair, presided.

In Attendance

A Morrison, Head of Economy and Development (Lead Officer); S Graham, Partnership Planning and Development Manager, Janet Geddes, Tackling Poverty Project Officer; K Miller, Senior Planning and Policy Development Officer (all Chief Executive's); T Slater, Senior Committee Services Officer and K O'Neill, Assistant Democratic Services Officer (both Finance & Resources).

Also in Attendance

I Cunningham (Engage Renfrewshire) and M Coyle (Renfrewshire Leisure).

Recording of Meeting

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, the Chair intimated that this meeting of the Local Partnership would be recorded and that the recording would be available to watch on the Council's website.

Apologies

Alison Love (Disability Arts Forum); and Councillor Mags MacLaren.

Declarations of Interest

M Dymond (Maxwellton Court Tenant's Association) declared an interest in Item 2 - Applications for Local Partnership Funding in Paisley North, West and Central – 2020/21 - as she had interests in various applications (including FR1212) and indicated that she would remain in the meeting, but not take part in any discussions or voting.

C Williams (REEM) declared an interest in Item 2 - Applications for Local Partnership Funding in Paisley North, West and Central – 2020/21 (FR1125 and FR1182) - as she was a volunteer with Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities (REEM) and indicated that she would remain in the meeting but not take part in discussions or voting thereon.

J Wilby (Paisley West & Central Community Council) declared an interest in Item 2 - Applications for Local Partnership Funding in Paisley North, West and Central – 2020/21 (FR1090) - as he was the Secretary of the West End Growing Ground Association and indicated that he would remain in the meeting but not take part in discussions or voting thereon.

1. Minute of Previous Meeting

There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Local Partnership held on 28 November 2019.

DECIDED: That the Minute be approved.

2. Applications for Local Partnership Funding in Paisley North, West & Central – 2020/21

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive relative to applications for Local Partnership funding in Paisley North, West & Central for 2020/21.

The report intimated that applications for funding from the Local Partnership had been invited to reflect the Local Partnership's priorities of Community Empowerment, Tackling Social Isolation to Promote Health, Green Spaces and Community Safety. The available allocation for Paisley North, West and Central was £55,572. The sum of £50 per community representative required to be ringfenced for potential claims for administrative expenses, which left a balance of £55,072 for allocation.

The report advised that the Youth Challenge Fund component of Paisley North, West and Central's funding, now known as Celebrating Renfrewshire, was £21,133. This would be allocated by young people through a participatory budgeting process, which was currently underway.

The Chair advised of some amendments to the report as follows:-

FR1078 – Paisley Pirates Ice Hockey Club - application had been withdrawn
FR1096 – Braehead Junior Ice Hockey Club - application had been withdrawn
FR1140 – PACE Theatre Company Ltd – amount requested should be £10,000
FR1166 – YMCA Paisley – application had been withdrawn

The Chair further proposed a method for considering the applications, which could be amended as appropriate, as each application was discussed. This was agreed.

Following consideration, the Local Partnership agreed that the undernoted applications be determined as follows:-

Applications with Direct Reference to Paisley North, West and Central Local Priorities

FR1042 - Gallowhill Senior Citizens Indoor Bowling – awarded £1,000
FR1043 - Eat Up – award £1,000
FR1065 - Paisley and District Royal British Legion Pipe Band – pro-rata award
FR1068 - Meikleriggs Cricket Foundation – pro-rata award
FR1071 - Twist and Hit Cheerleaders Community Interest Company - declined
FR1073 - Rainbow Turtle – awarded £3,000
FR1074 - Ferguslie Cricket Club - declined
FR1078 - Paisley Pirates Ice Hockey Club - withdrawn
FR1081 - RAMH – awarded £885
FR1086 - Paisley People's Archive awarded £725
FR1087 - Route 66 – awarded £931

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

J Wilby having declared an interest in application FR1090, remained in the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

FR1090 - West End Growing Ground Association – awarded £3,535
FR1094 - Finding Your Feet – pro-rata award based on £5,000 request
FR1095 - Renfrewshire Walking Network – awarded £500
FR1096 - Braehead Junior Ice Hockey Club - withdrawn
FR1097 - Martyrs' Sandyford Church - declined
FR1107 - Street Connect – pro-rata award
FR1109 - Gleniffer Credit Union - declined
FR1111 - The Boys Brigade, Paisley & District Battalion – awarded £428.57
FR1113 - Walking Tours on Wheels – pro-rata award
FR1120 - Priorscroft Bowling Club – declined

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

C Williams having declared an interest in application FR1125, remained in the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

FR1125 - Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities (REEM) – awarded £2,216.25
FR1139 - Storm Gymnastics – declined

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Paterson declared an interest in application FR1140, as his child attended PACE Theatre Company Limited. He advised that he would remain in the meeting and take no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

FR1140 - PACE Theatre Company Ltd - declined
FR1147 - C-Change Scotland – pro-rata award
FR1150 - The Wynd Centre – awarded £2,000
FR1156 - RAMH – awarded £2,311
FR1157 - Glencoats Primary School Parent Council – referred to Green Spaces, Parks and Play Areas and Villages Investment Fund
FR1159 - Impact Arts (Project) Ltd – awarded £5,770
FR1164 - Mossvale Community Church – awarded £3,920
FR1165 - Paisley Barbell Association – pro-rata award
FR1166 - YMCA Paisley - withdrawn
FR1170 - Rockus Community Choir – awarded £1,000
FR1172 - Renfrewshire Accessibility Project – pro-rata award
FR1178 - Lamont Farm Project – declined

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

C Williams having declared an interest in application FR1182, remained in the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

FR1182 - Renfrewshire Effort to Empower Minorities (REEM) – pro-rata award
FR1183 - Oakshaw Trinity Friendly Hour – awarded £375
FR1188 - Friends of Barshaw Park – pro-rata award
FR1192 - St James Primary – Active Schools - declined
FR1202 - Fèis Phàislig – awarded £527.25
FR1208 - Double H Luncheon Lunch Club – awarded £250

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

M Dymond having declared an interest in application FR1212, remained in the meeting and took no part in the discussion or voting thereon.

It was clarified that the amount requested in the report for application FR1212 of £570 was incorrect and the actual amount requested was £1,357.

FR1212 - Shop Mobility Paisley & District – awarded £1,000
FR1215 - Paisley and District U3A – awarded £500

The Chair referred to a request to ringfence funding of £500 for the Gallowhill Tiddlers group. The group had been working on meeting the necessary requirements to submit an application and this had been impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. It was proposed to set aside £500 to allow the Gallowhill Tiddlers group to satisfy the necessary requirements and submit an application to the Local Partnership. This was agreed.

Applications with Partial or No Reference to Paisley North, West and Central Local Priorities

FR1089 - Paisley Sea Cadets – awarded £495

FR1126 - Home Start Renfrewshire & Inverclyde – awarded £482.75

FR1128 - Renfrewshire Christmas Toy Bank – awarded £1,215

FR1130 - Foxbar Resource Café - declined

FR1152 - Loud n Proud - declined

FR1162 - Bungalow Enterprise CIC - declined

FR1209 - Phoenix Flyers Dog Agility Club - declined

DECIDED: That it be agreed to award the grant applications as noted above.



To: Paisley North, West and Central Local Partnership

On: 9 February 2021

Report by:

Chief Executive, Renfrewshire Council

TITLE:

Paisley North, West and Central Local Partnership Budget Monitoring Report

1. Summary

- 1.1 Paisley North, West and Central Local Partnership provides funding to community groups to undertake projects. This funding is allocated from the General Grant Fund and, through a Participating Budgeting exercise known as Celebrating Renfrewshire, the Youth Challenge Fund.
- 1.2 A table setting out the funds allocated by Paisley North, West and Central Local Partnership at its meeting on 16 September 2020 is attached as an appendix to this report.
- 1.3 The outcome of the Celebrating Renfrewshire exercise for Paisley North, West and Central Local Partnership is also attached. The purpose of the Youth Challenge Fund is to fund projects to benefit young people aged 12-25. The Youth Challenge Fund was renamed as "Celebrating Renfrewshire: By young people, for young people" by the youth steering group, and has a value of £21,133 in the Paisley North, West and Central Local Partnership area.
- 1.4 The Celebrating Renfrewshire exercise was carried out in a virtual format in 2020, as a result of coronavirus pandemic.
- 1.5 The project was co-produced by young people, supported by Renfrewshire Youth Voice, Renfrewshire Council, Active Schools and Young Scot.
- 1.6 Voting took place between 12 October and 6 November 2020 with the award announcement taking place in an online event on Friday 13 November.
- 1.7 421 young people voted in the Paisley North, West and Central area, casting three votes each for different projects, resulting in 1,263 votes in total. Twelve projects were funded, which fully allocated the Paisley North West and Central Youth Challenge budget of £21.133.

2. Recommendation

2.1 It is recommended that the budget monitoring report and allocation of Celebrating Renfrewshire funding be noted.

				Funds		
ORGANISATION	Grant Ref	Budget	Funds Applied For	Awarded	Over/Under	
		£	£	£	£	
General Fund						
Budget 2020-21		£45,822.00				
Members Expenses 10 Members				£500.00		
Gallowhill Senior Citizens Indoor Bowling – bowling and catering equipment	FR1042		£1,245.00	£1,000.00		
Establishment of a Paisley and District Royal British Legion Pipe Band	FR1065		£4,050.00	£2,685.63		
Community cricket coaching	FR1068		£2,000.00	£1,326.24		
Fair trade education	FR1073		£3,000.00	£3,000.00		
Arts and Crafts	FR1087		£931.00	£931.00		
Disabled compost toilet	FR1090		£3,535.00	£3,535.00		
Finding Your Feet Social and Emotional Support Programmes	FR1094		£10,000.00	£3,315.60		
Promote walking in Renfrewshire	FR1095		£500.00	£500.00		
Not Threadbare - Memories and Anecdotes from the Paisley Mills	FR1086		£725.00	£725.00		
Cornerstone Drop-in Café	FR1107		£2,400.00	£1,591.48		
Boys Brigade	FR1111		£428.57	£428.57		
Paisley, Oor Wee Toon	FR1113		£2,983.00	£1,978.08		
REEM Drop In Centre	FR1125		£2,216.25	£2,216.25		

Dates-n-mates Renfrewshire	FR1147		£5,000.00	£3,315.60		
Child Play Therapy Scheme	FR1150		£2,000.00	£2,000.00		
Renfrewshire Connected Champions Project – Intergenerational workshops to reduce loneliness and isolation	FR1156		£2,311.00	£2,311.00		
Make It Your Own: Renfrewshire	FR1159		£5,770.00	£5,770.00		
Sewing2gether All Nations	FR1164		£3,920.00	£3,920.00		
Paisley Barbell Community Engagement Programme	FR1165		£3,000.00	£1,989.36		
Rockus Community Choir: Sustaining To Sing Ourselves Happy – Promoting Mental Health	FR1170		£1,175.00	£1,000.00		
Renfrewshire Accessibility Project	FR1172		£2,239.32	£1,484.93		
Taste of Culture (Black History Month)	FR1182		£2,500.00	£1,657.80		
Oakshaw Trinity Friendly Hour – Transport	FR1183		£375.00	£375.00		
Welcoming Barshaw	FR1188		£1,750.00	£1,160.46		
Ceilidh Trail 2020	FR1202		£527.25	£527.25		
Lunch & Socialising	FR1208		£250.00	£250.00		
Advancing Shop Mobility in Renfrewshire	FR1212		£1,357.00	£1,000.00		
Paisley and District U3A for You	FR1215		£500.00	£500.00		
Gallowhill Tiddler	FRXXXX		£500.00	£500.00		
Development of Brediland Hall	FR1089		£495.00	£495.00		
Double the fun! Renfrewshire twins group	FR1126		£482.75	£482.75		
The Renfrewshire Toy Bank	FR1128		£1,215.00	£1,515.00		
Eat Up – surplus food hub	FR1043		£1,014.00	£1,000.00		declined offer
No Substitute for life (Suicide awareness events)	FR1081		£885.00	£885.00		declined offer

		£45,822.00	£71,280.14	£55,872.00	-£10,050.00	
<u>Paisley Common Good</u>						
<u>Budget 2020-21</u>		£9,750.00				
Fund Total		£9,750.00	£0.00	£0.00	£9,750.00	
TOTAL		£55,572.00		£55,872.00	-£300.00	
ORGANISATION	Grant Ref	Budget	Funds Applied For	Funds Awarded	Over/Under	
		£	£	£	£	
<u>Celebrating Renfrewshire</u>						
<u>Budget 20-21</u>		£21,133.00				
YMCA	CE1002			£1,500.00		
Twist and Hit Cheerleaders	CE1008			£1,685.82		
I Am Me	CE1010			£2,000.00		
The Darkwood Crew	CE1011			£2,000.00		
Loud and Proud	CE1014			£2,000.00		
Own Your Bike	CE1017			£1,982.28		
Paisley Pirate supporters Club	CE1021			£2,000.00		
Cameron Dance Group	CE1027			£1,000.00		
Pals of the Privvies	CE1033			£2,000.00		
Right to Dance	CE1035		£1,980.00	£1,078.90		
Renfrewshire Carers	CE1042			£1,886.00		
Pachedu	CE1045			£2,000.00		
TOTAL		£21,133.00	£1,980.00	£21,133.00	£0.00	



Celebrating Renfrewshire Participatory Budgeting Results October 2020



Introduction

Renfrewshire Council commissioned Young Scot to manage an online vote for a participatory budgeting exercise taking place in October 2020. This was branded as the 'Celebrating Renfrewshire' event.

Young Scot Supported the vote in two ways. Firstly, a campaign was created at the Young Scot website, young.scot. This campaign allowed young people to check out the projects before the vote went live and also allowed the projects themselves to check the information that they had supplied. After the vote is complete we will change the campaign page to reflect the winning projects.

Secondly, voting took place online using the Young Scot online voting platform. Young people were able to vote using a valid Young Scot card issued in Renfrewshire or by using one of 50,000 temporary numbers that were issued to Renfrewshire Council staff. The vote was open to all young people aged 12-25 in the area. We know that the vast majority of young people in the area have been issued with a Young Scot card. Renfrewshire Council staff handled the issuing of temporary numbers with a robust process to ensure that young people were not issued with more than one number.

Voting took place from Midday on 12th October 2020 until 17:00 on the 6th November 2020. This was during the global COVID-19 pandemic, which meant that all promotion of the vote was online rather than face to face

One vote was held with seven geographic areas as constituencies. Young people logged into the system using their Young Scot card number or a temporary number issued by Renfrewshire Council staff. Young people then had to choose one of the seven geographic constituencies based on the Local Partnership Boundaries within Renfrewshire. Each card number or temporary number allowed that young person to vote in any one, but only one constituency. Young people were then presented with between 5 and 24 projects to choose from. Voters had to use 3 equal votes, with only one vote being allocated to any one project. This gave a first past the post result.

Voting could be carried out using a computer, phone or other internet device. Renfrewshire Youth Services promoted the vote by visiting schools and youth groups around the area.

Voting summary:

1721 individual young people voted in total

5163 choices were made in total – (exactly 3 choices per person)

There were **43** spoiled votes*

Results

The results of the seven areas are as follows:

Paisley North, West and Central

421 valid votes, with **1263** candidate preferences

Name of Application	Requested	Rank	votes	Awarded
Pachedu	2,000	1	171	2000
Paisley YMCA	1,500	2	164	1500
Loud n Proud	2,000	3	163	2000
Twist and Hit Cheerleaders	1,686	4	110	1685.82
Own Yer Bike	1,982	5	80	1982.28
Darkwood Crew - Helping Ferguslie FlourishVillage Green Mural Projec	2,000	6	64	2000
Paisley Pirates Supporters Club	2,000	7	62	2000
Cameron Dance Group	1,000	8	54	1000
Pals of the privies (SCIO)	2,000	9	48	2000
Renfrewshire Carers Centre	1,886	10	46	1886
I Am Me Scotland	2,000	11	40	2000
Right2dance	1,980	12	39	1078.9
Blue Triangle Housing Association Covid 19 and Mental Health	384	13	31	0
Renfrewshire Youth Voice	2,000	14	30	0
Kelburne Hockey Club	1,500	15	27	0
Paisley sea cadets	2,000	16	24	0
Paisley Barbell	2,000	17	22	0
CREATE Paisley	1,905	18	17	0
PACE Theatre Company	2,000	18	17	0
Young Enterprise Renfrewshire	2,000	20	16	0
CREATE Paisley The Event Team-	2,000	21	11	0
Renfrew Rocks	2,000	22	10	0
CREATE Paisley	2,000	23	9	0
Afroscots United Fc	2,000	24	8	0
Totals	43,823		1,263	21,133

341 valid votes, with **1023** candidate preferences

Name of Application	Amount Requested	Rank	votes	Amount Awarded
Renfrew YMCA SCIO	1800	1	199	1800
St Mirren Youth Football Club	2000	2	134	2000
Renfrew High Sports Leaders	2000	3	121	2000
Trinity High School	850	4	113	850
Renfrewshire Carers Centre Young carers	1886	5	64	1886
Lamont Farm Project	2000	6	63	2000
Rainbow Turtle	750	7	49	750
Always included	2000	8	48	2000
Loud n Proud	2000	9	47	2000
Young Enterprise Renfrewshire	2000	10	46	2000
Paisley Pirates Supporters Club	2000	11	42	1371
I Am Me Scotland	2000	12	38	0
Renfrew Rocks	2000	13	34	0
Afroscots United Fc	2000	14	25	0
Totals	25286		1023	18657

Johnstone and Linwood

251 valid votes, with **753** candidate preferences

Name of Application	Amount Requested	Rank	votes	Amount Awarded
Pachedu	2000	1	127	2000
Paisley YMCA	1500	2	114	1500
Renfrewshire Carers Centre	1886	3	79	1886
YOUTH INTERVENTIONS SC046578	2000	4	75	2000
Active Communities	2000	5	65	2000
Own Yer Bike	1982.28	6	50	1982.28
Renfrewshire Youth Voice	2000	7	43	2000
Sandyflats tenants and residents association	2000	8	42	2000
Always included	2000	9	31	2000
Fordbank Scout Group	2000	10	29	2000
Young Enterprise Renfrewshire	2000	11	23	1164.36
Afroscots United Fc	2000	11	23	1164.36
CREATE Paisley Event Team-Amplified	2000	14	20	0
CREATE Paisley CREATE Mentoring	2000	15	11	0
Spoiled votes*			21	
totals	27368.28		753	21697

The villages

249 valid votes, with **747** candidate preferences

Name of Application	Amount Requested	Rank	votes	Amount Awarded
Gryffe High School	1500	1	230	1500
Renfrewshire Carers Centre Young carers	1886	2	179	1886
Lamont Farm Project	2000	3	175	2000
Johnstone Burgh 2007's Football Team	2000	4	82	2000
1st Lochwinnoch Boy's Brigade	2000	5	81	2000
Totals	9386		747	9386

Paisley East

246 valid votes, with **738**
candidate preferences

Name of Application	Amount Requested	Rank	votes	Amount Awarded
Loud n Proud	2,000	1	125	2000
Paisley YMCA	1,500	2	123	1500
Pachedu	2,000	3	114	2000
St Andrews Academy	2,000	3	114	2000
Kelburne Hockey Club	1,500	5	67	1500
Paisley Barbell Powerlifting Club	2,000	6	52	2000
PACE Theatre Company	2,000	7	38	2000
Own Yer Bike	1,982	8	24	1982.28
Paisley sea cadets	2,000	8	24	2000
Who Cares? Scotland	1,736	10	23	1736
CREATE Paisley	2,000	11	16	2000
I Am Me Scotland	2,000	12	13	2000
Outspoken Arts Scotland Limited	2,000	13	5	1376.72
Totals	24,718		738	24,095

Gleniffer

146 valid votes, with **438** candidate preferences

Name of Application	Amount Requested	Rank	votes	Amount Awarded
Gleniffer High School	2,000	1	117	2000
Renfrewshire Carers Centre	1,886	2	94	1886
Renfrewshire Youth Voice	2,000	3	58	2000
PACE Theatre Company	2,000	4	47	2000
RAMH	2,000	5	45	2000
Paisley Pirates Supporters Club	2,000	6	39	2000
Paisley sea cadets	2,000	7	38	2000
Totals	13,886		438	13886

Erskine, Inchinnan, Bishopton & Langbank

67 valid votes, with **201** candidate preferences

Name of Application	Amount Requested	Rank	votes	Amount Awarded
Trinity High School (will be applying on behalf of the Sports Leaders group)	850	1	39	850
Renfrewshire Carers Centre Young carers	1886	2	37	1886
Lamont Farm Project	2000	3	27	2000
Erskine Youth Council	1997	4	26	1997
Always included	2000	5	23	2000
St Mirren Youth Football Club	2000	7	14	2000
Renfrew Rocks	2000	8	13	2000
Spoiled votes*			22	
Totals	12733		201	12733

Conclusions

The celebrating Renfrewshire vote was a success with a total of 1721 voting young people. This represents a great achievement from young people and the staff of Renfrewshire, particularly during the time of the global COVID-19 pandemic and Young Scot hope to be able to support similar votes in the future.

*Votes spoiled due to project not meeting the requirements of the fund

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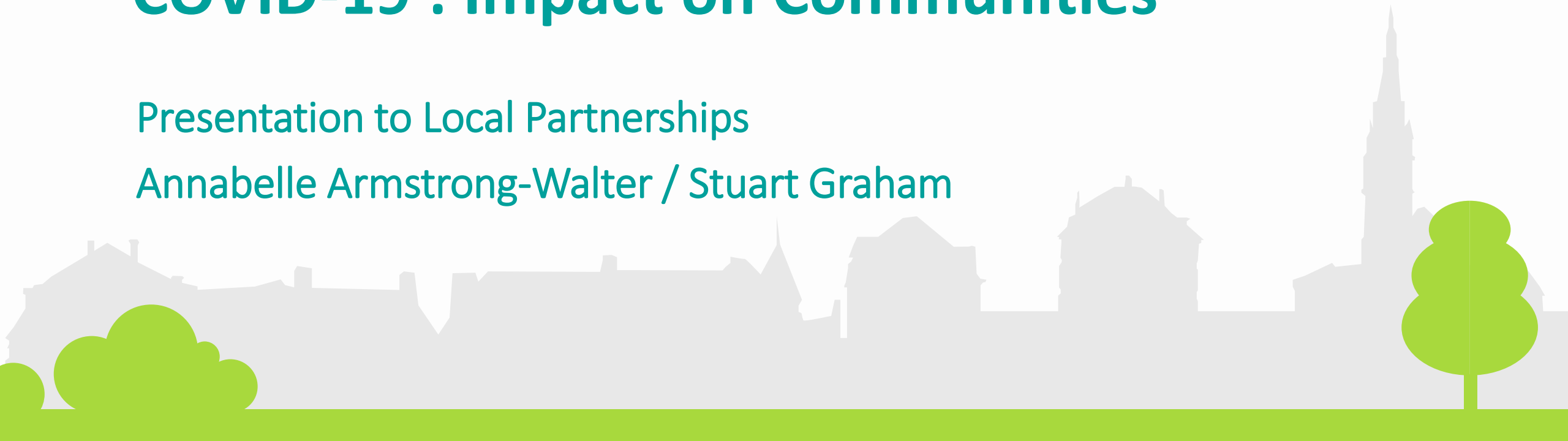
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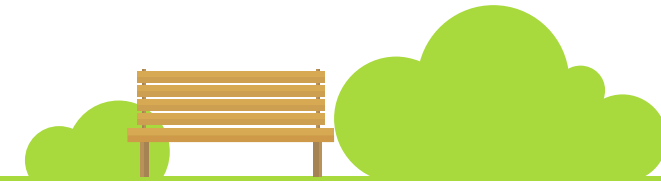
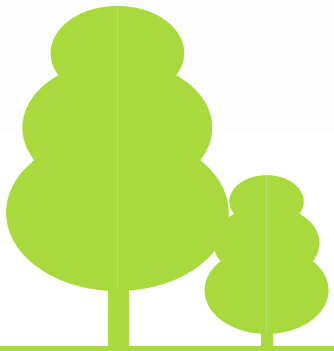
Presentation to Local Partnerships

Annabelle Armstrong-Walter / Stuart Graham



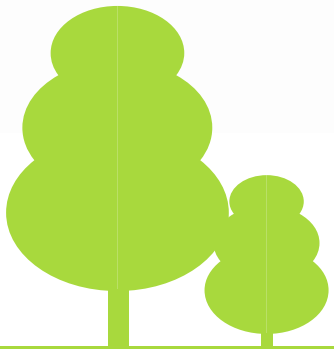
- COVID has disproportionately impacted people across Renfrewshire
- Evidence that pandemic has exacerbated existing inequalities
- Short vs medium to long term impact
- Ongoing restrictions continue to be felt – tension between response and recovery
- Community Impact Assessment launched in August 2020
- Aim to gain deeper understanding of key issues / impact

“listening and learning to inform response and to fundamentally address existing inequalities going forward”



In this presentation:

- Update Local Partnership members on Community Impact Assessment work done to date
- Share data from Public Services Panel relevant to this Local Partnership
- Discussion on Local Partnership members experience of how COVID has impacted their community



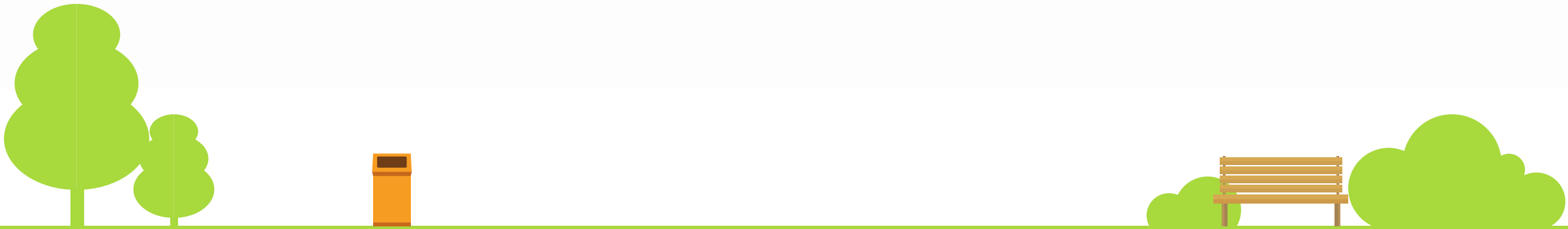
Data + research – key points

COVID cases

- 7,381 positive cases in Renfrewshire / 512 deaths to date

Employment / Support for businesses

- 80% increase in universal credit claimants between March and October
- At its peak in August 2020, 28,300 people were registered with the UK-wide furlough scheme – 8,800 people at the end of October 2020.
- Grant support in excess of £28.5m being paid out for more than 2,500 businesses



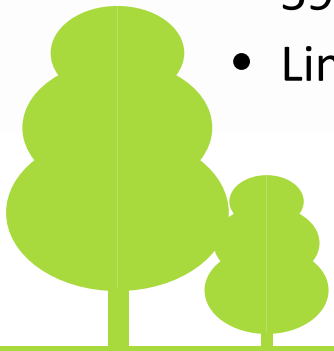
Data + research – key points

- Increase in crisis grants March – October – up 1,030 from same period last year to 6225.
- 4,000 contacts to Advice Works over same period (70% from recognised priority groups for child poverty)
- Increasing concerns re fuel poverty – community organisations increasingly focusing on distribution of fuel vouchers
- Renfrewshire Foodbank has provided food support to 3,148 adults and 1,200 children to date (broadly in line with previous years due to community food)
- Community food – hundreds of food parcels every week e.g. 350 visits to STAR food pantry in 2019/20 - 6,700 supports to date in 2020



Data + research – key points

- Neighbourhood Hubs – almost 700 referrals, 149 of which in the Paisley North West and Central LP area
- 1,250 digital devices/connectivity being distributed in Renfrewshire through the Connecting Scotland Programme through the hubs and partners
- Health and wellbeing
 - Ongoing impact on delivery of health and care services e.g. service waiting times
 - National surveys indicate 25-28% of people would not contact a GP at this time about a non-COVID related medical concern
 - In Scotland-wide Ipsos MORI surveys carried out between May and July 2020 between 53-59% felt lonely some/most/almost all or all of the time.
 - Link to alcohol and drug use





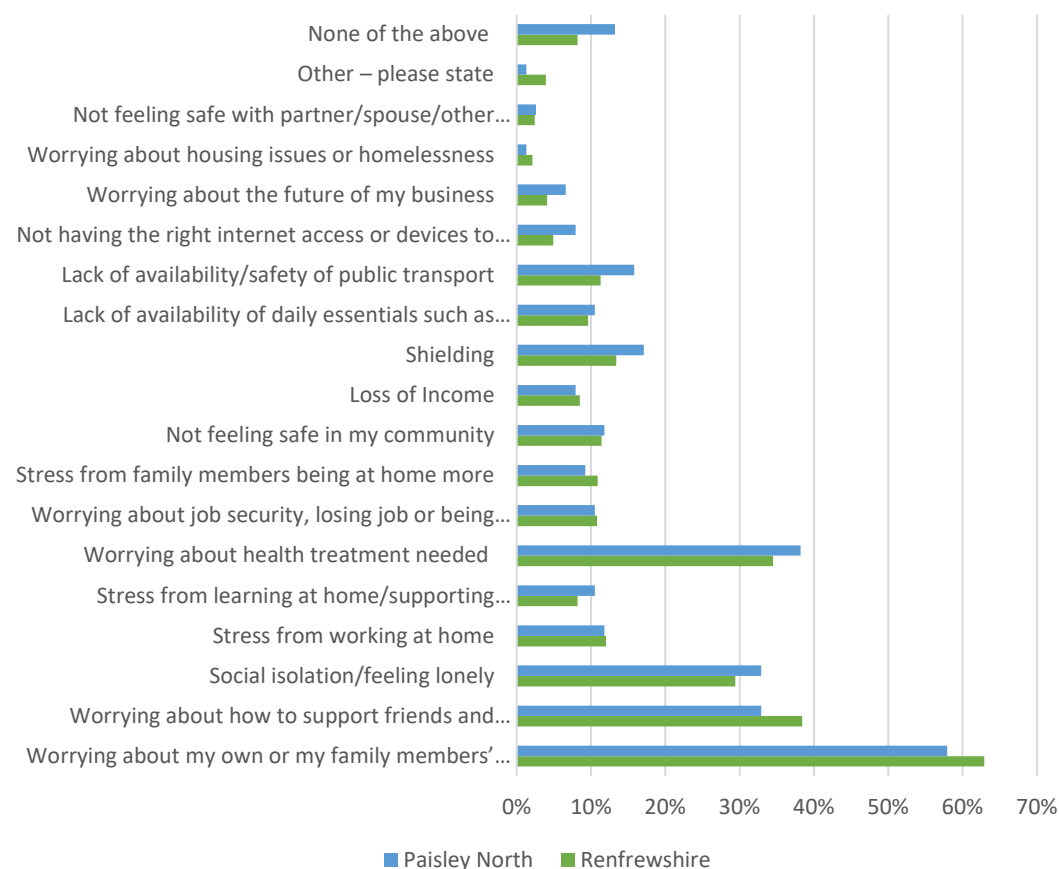
Public Services Panel

- Issued recently to 1,500 local people by post/email
- Survey of behaviours / attitudes in light of COVID
- Focus on : - financial and income worries, family issues, mental health and wellbeing, access to support, access to information, digital inclusion etc

What has affected you most during the coronavirus pandemic?

People reported being most affected by:

- worrying about their own or their families future (63%)
- worrying about how to support family and friends who need help (38%)
- worrying about health treatment needed (35%)
- social isolation/feeling lonely (29%)



Which of the following things, are major worries for you ...

Major worries at the moment include:

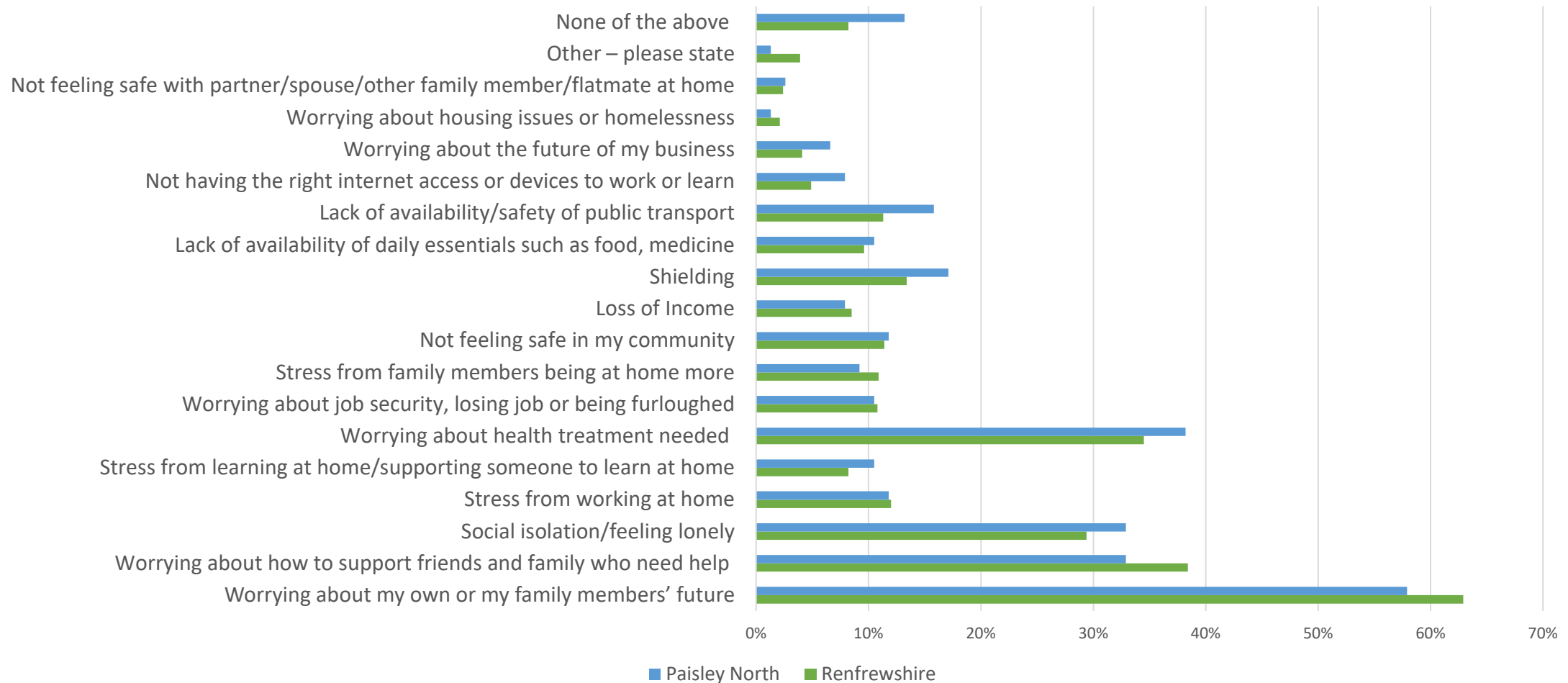
- friends or family becoming seriously ill with COVID (73%)
- becoming seriously ill themselves with COVID (49%)
- a family member or friends mental health (28%)
- their own mental health (22%)
- their financial situation/losing their job (11.2%)

How is your household managing financially?

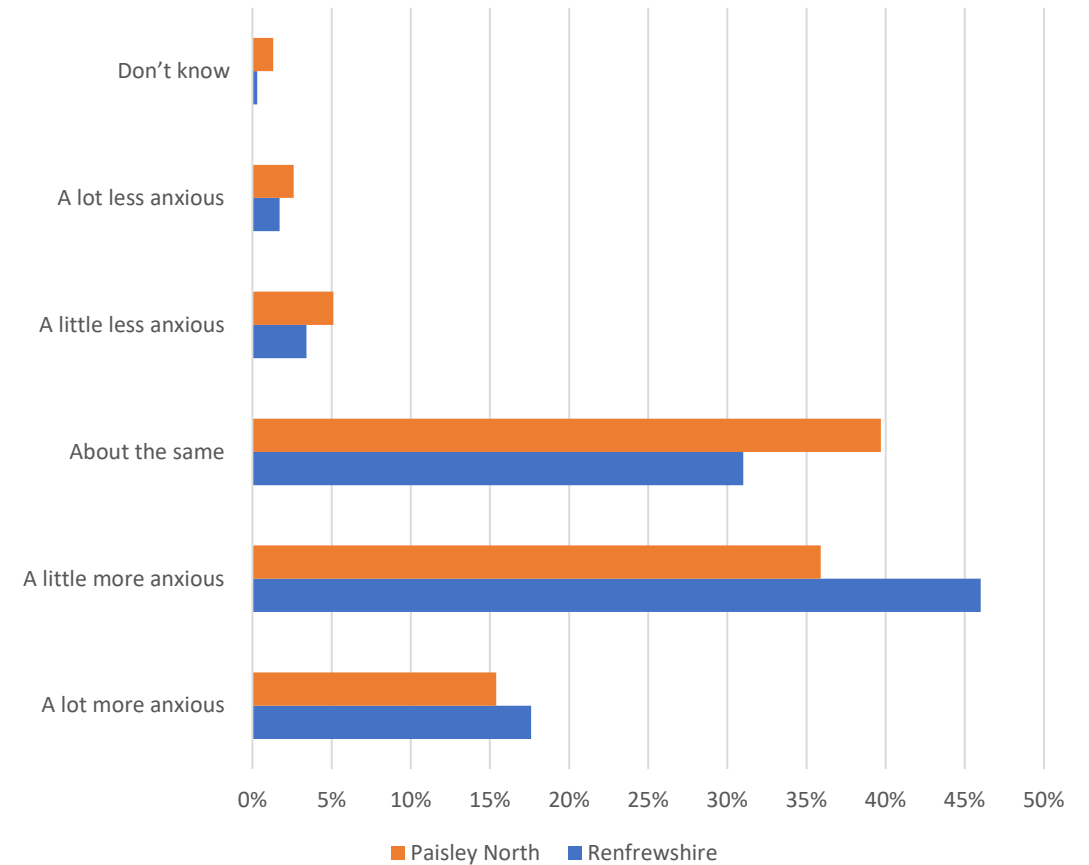
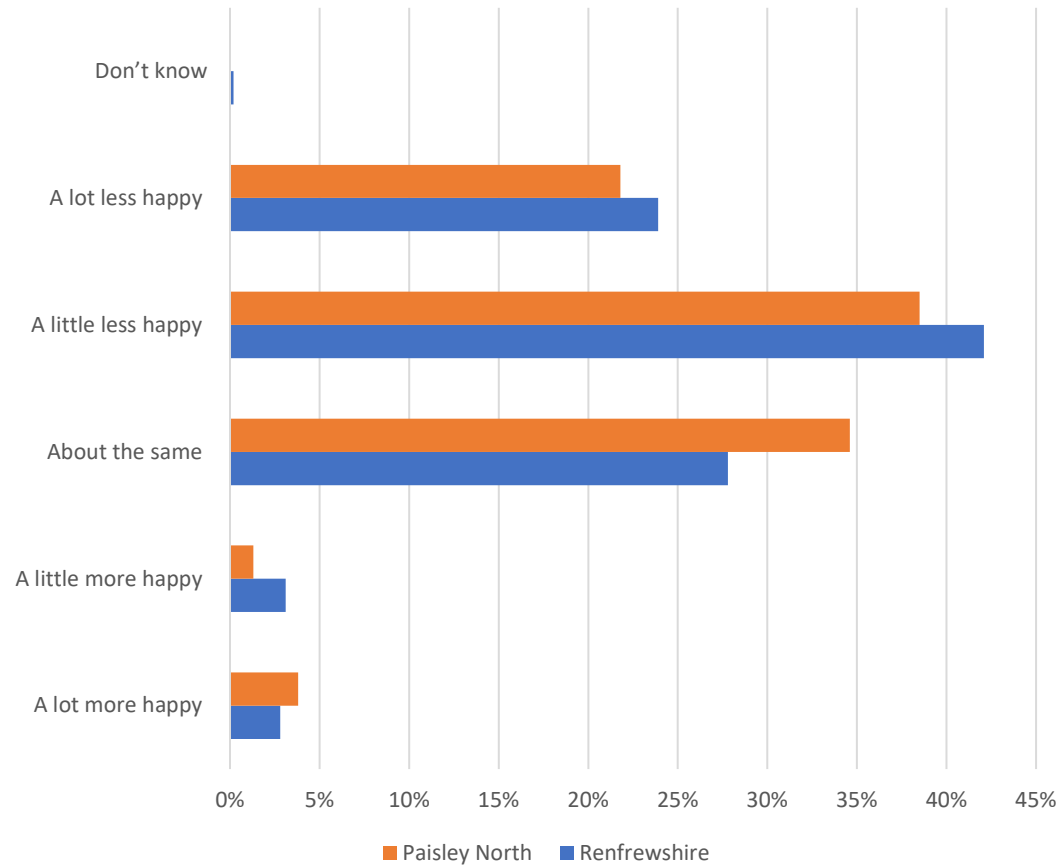
Q8a	Again, thinking back to the start of March this year, before the coronavirus lockdown, which of the following best describes how you and your household were managing financially?	
408 (47.6%)	Manage very well	
269 (31.4%)	Manage quite well	
150 (17.5%)	Get by alright	
9 (1.0%)	Don't manage very well	
18 (2.1%)	Have some financial difficulties	
4 (0.5%)	Experiencing serious financial difficulties	

Q8b	And thinking about now, which of the following best describes how you and your household are managing financially?	
353 (41.1%)	Manage very well	
256 (29.8%)	Manage quite well	
191 (22.3%)	Get by alright	
20 (2.3%)	Don't manage very well	
31 (3.6%)	Have some financial difficulties	
7 (0.8%)	Experiencing serious financial difficulties	

Is there help that you feel you currently need but you are not receiving?

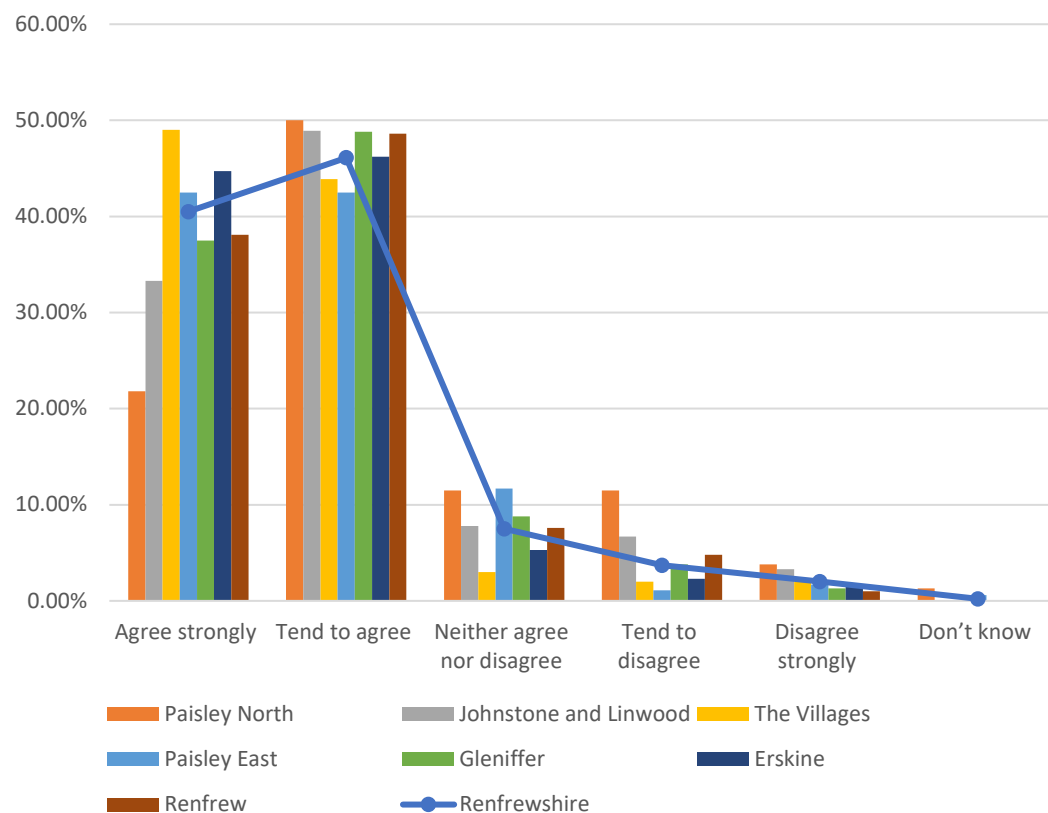


Compared with how you felt on a typical day before the start of March, would you say you felt....

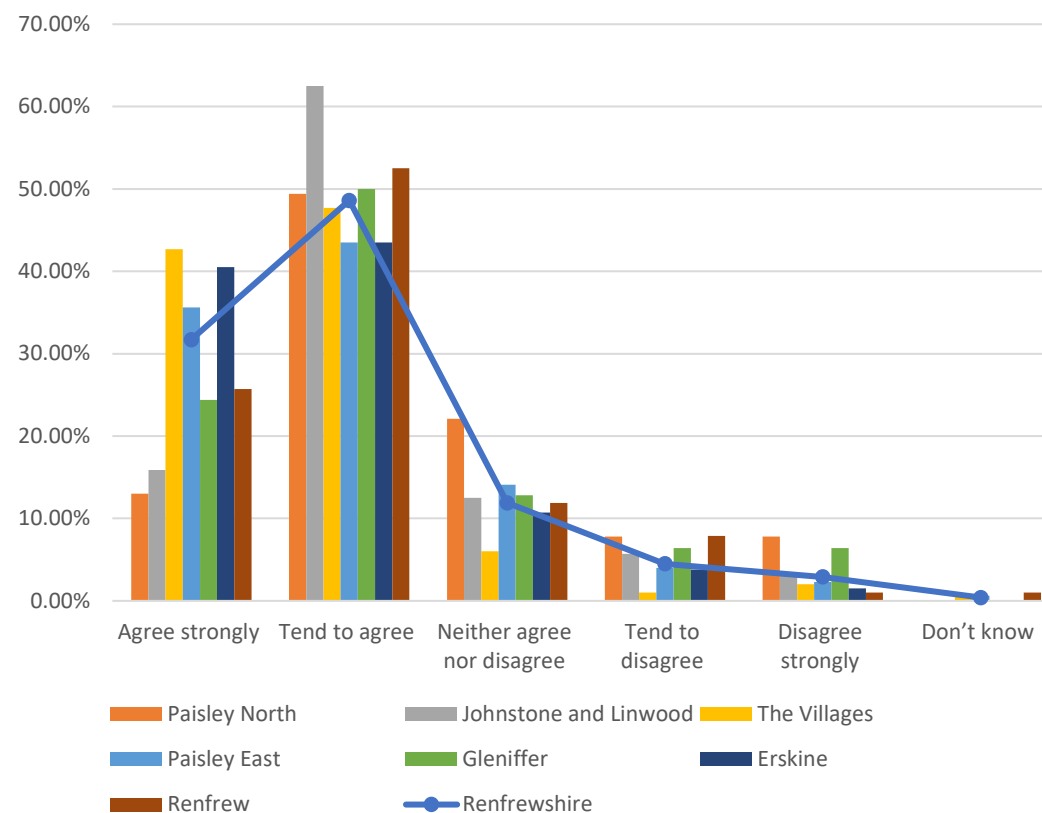


Public Services Panel responses

I am satisfied with my neighbourhood as a place to live

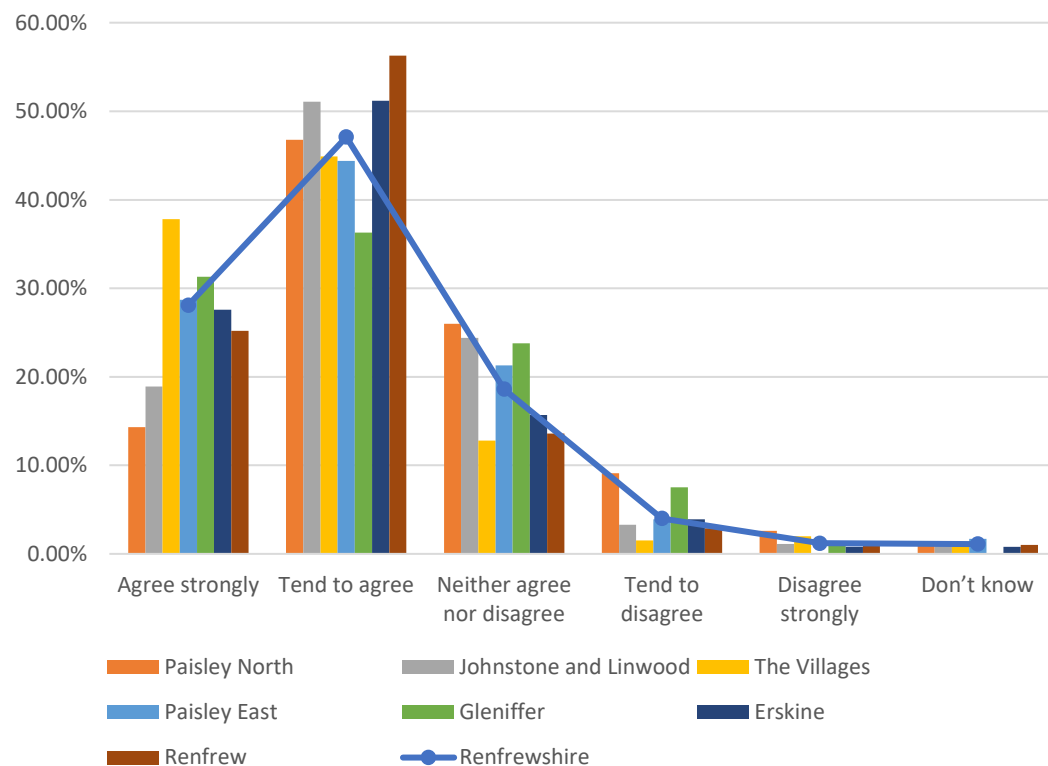


My local area is a safe place to live

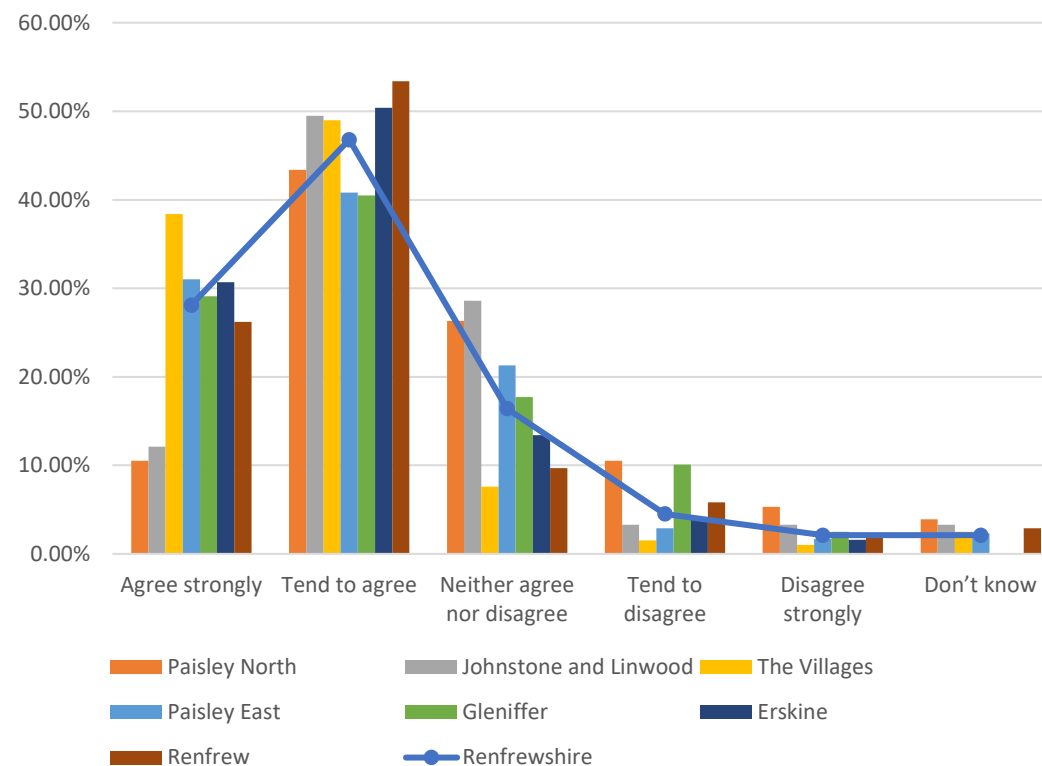


Public Services Panel responses

This is a neighbourhood where people are kind to each other

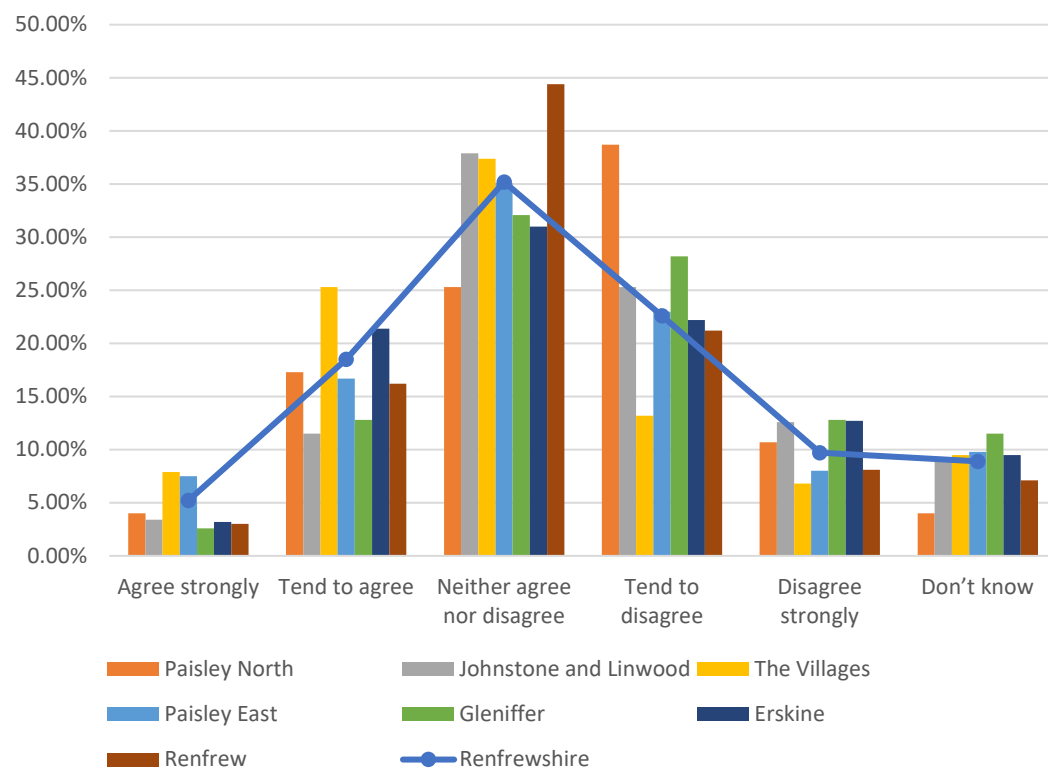


This is a neighbourhood where most people can be trusted

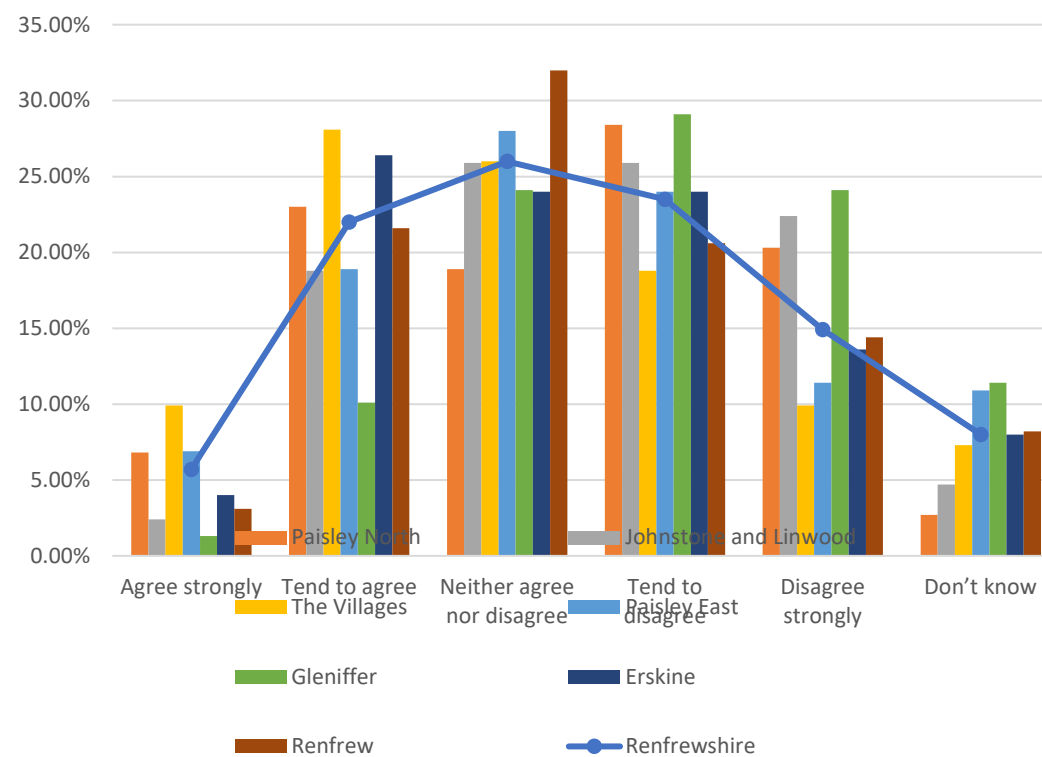


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There are welcoming places and opportunities to meet new people

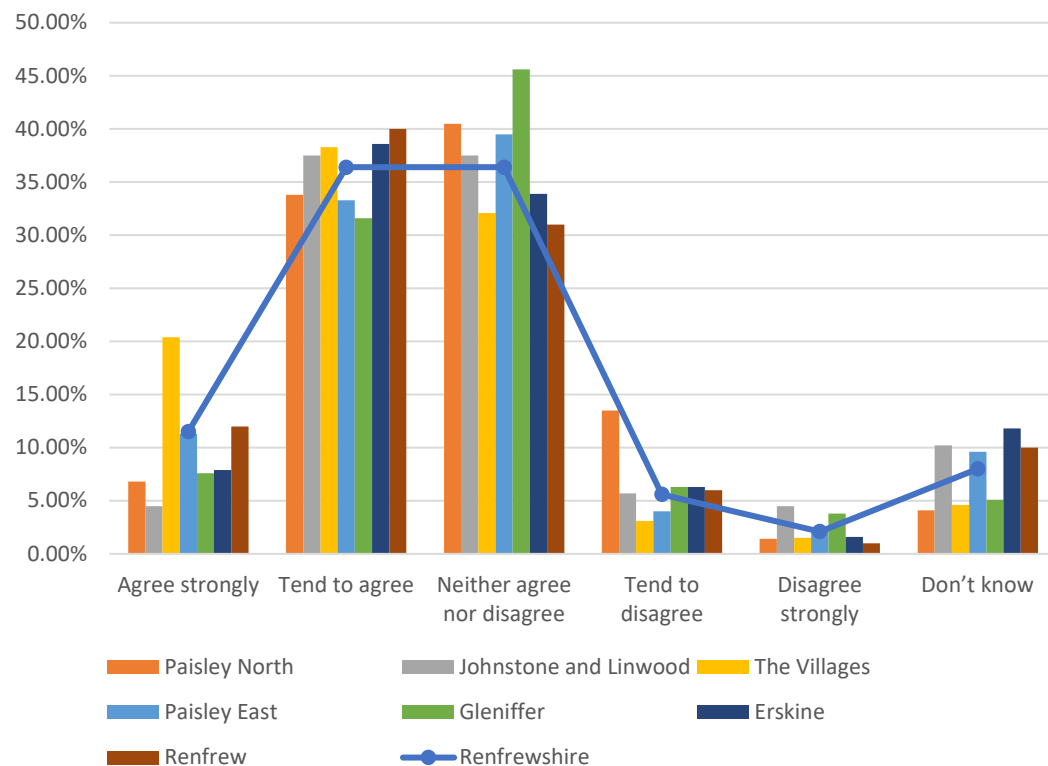


There are places where people can meet up and socialise

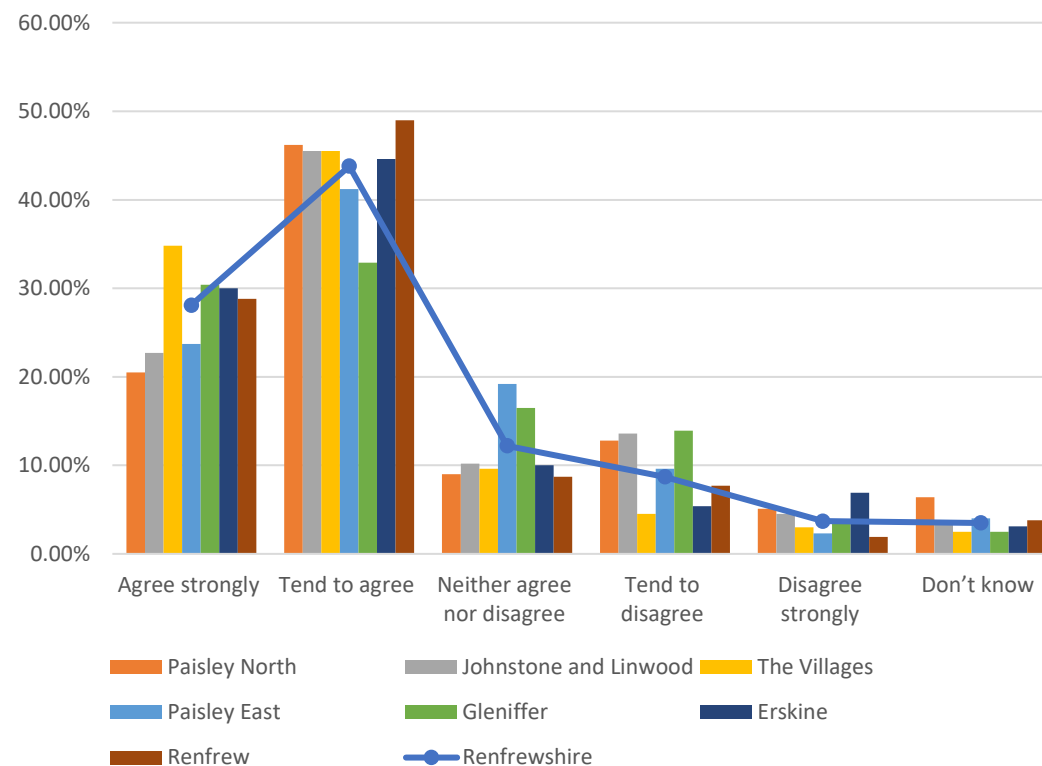


Public Services Panel responses

This is a neighbourhood where people from different backgrounds get on well together

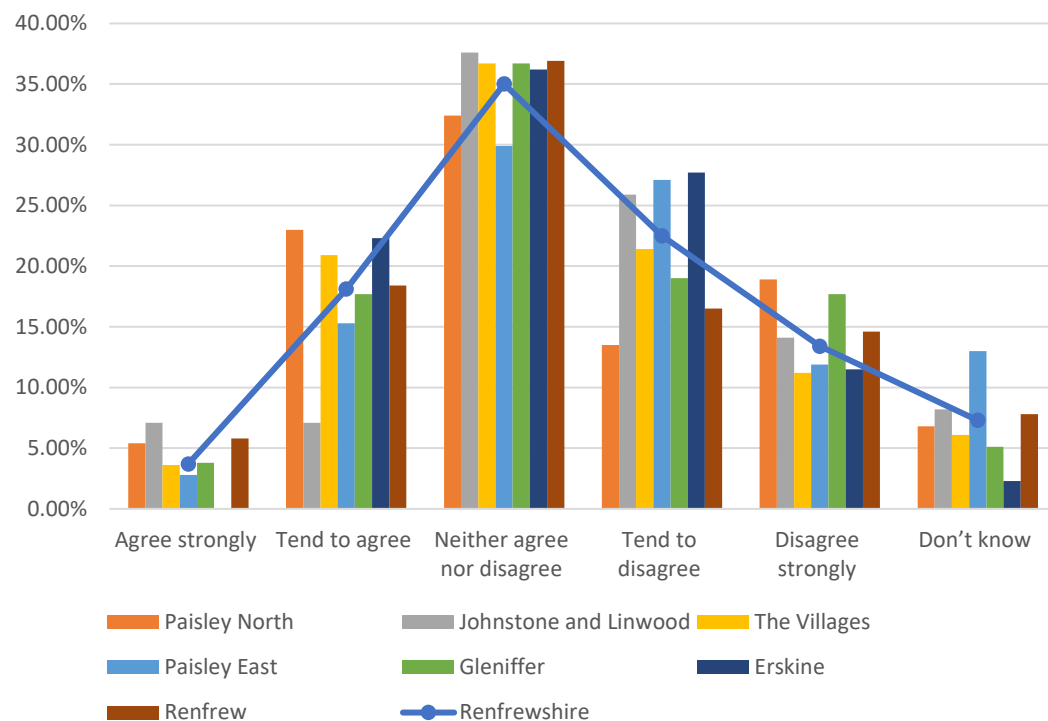


If I was alone and needed help, I could rely on someone in this neighbourhood to help me

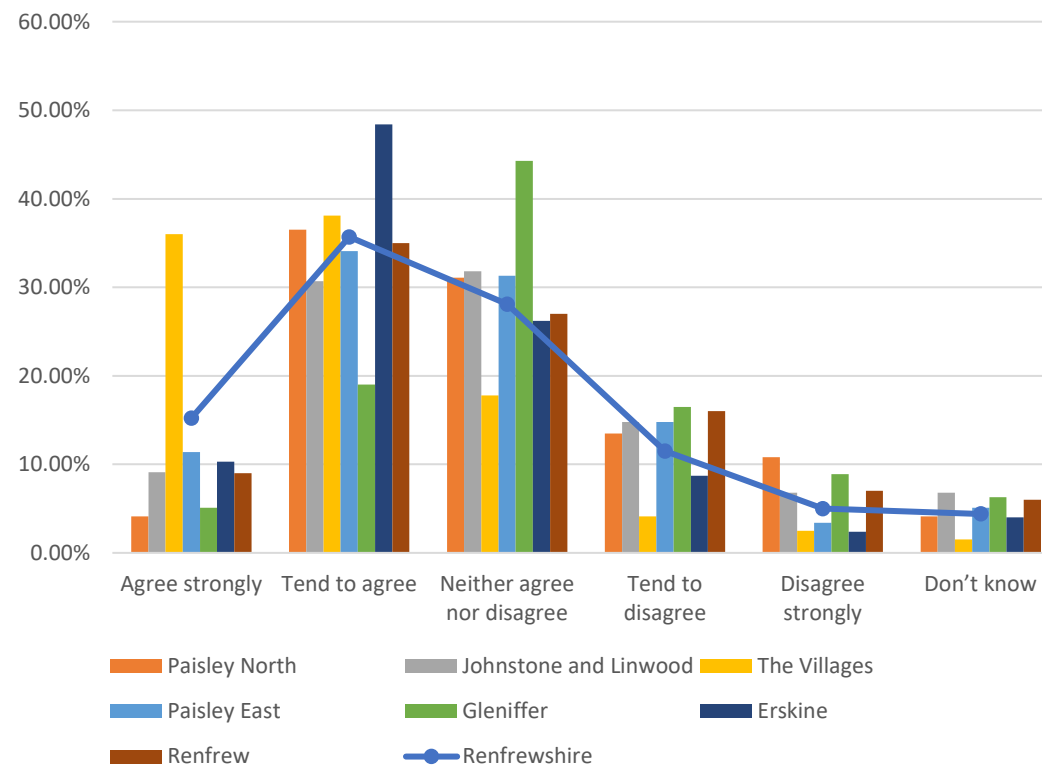


Public Services Panel responses

To what extent do you agree you can influence decisions about public services and other issues of public interest



This is a neighbourhood where local people take action to help improve the neighbourhood



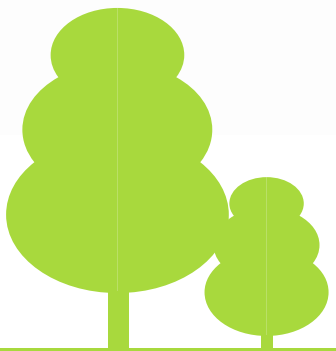


Listening events

- Programme of Listening Events held over winter 2020/21, facilitated by Engage Renfrewshire
- Targeted engagement is being prioritised going forward, i.e. with Diversity and Equality Alliance Renfrewshire and local women's groups
- Discussions with Local Partnerships also important part of this!

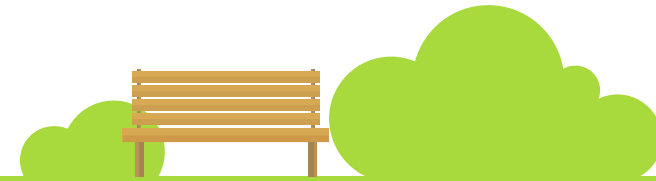
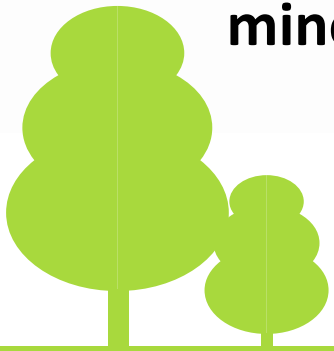
Listening events - key points to date

- The impact of the pandemic on people with **low incomes or who are in more insecure employment** is increasingly apparent to community groups and support organisations across Renfrewshire
- **Food insecurity and fuel poverty** are seen as being particular issues, with high ongoing demand for community based supports.
- Partners and Neighbourhood Hubs seeing increasing **complexity in needs** and demand – people with COVID / multiple needs / not always in contact with services or have any other support networks.



Listening events - key points to date

- **Digital exclusion** is a key issue – engagement indicates online provision had worked well in some instances, but that significant issues remained in terms of access and engagement through online means.
- There are particular concerns with the ongoing nature of restrictions and the health and wellbeing of local people, particularly in relation to **loneliness and isolation** and the impact that this can have on **mental health and wellbeing**. Young people were a particular area of concern.
- Engagement indicates that some specific groups are also experiencing potentially greater impact as a result of the pandemic, including those from **black and minority ethnic communities, women, and carers**.



An illustration of two stylized figures holding a large white rectangular sign. On the left, a man with grey hair and a beard, wearing a dark jacket and a red scarf, holds the sign. On the right, a woman with dark hair, wearing an orange and white striped shirt and blue pants, holds the sign. The background features light blue clouds and green hills.

Discussion

- What have been the impacts of COVID-19 in your communities?
- Does this influence the Local Priorities previously identified by this Local Partnership?



Paisley North West and Central Priorities

- Community Empowerment- new community groups, sustain existing ones.
- Tackling social isolation to promote health.
- Green spaces – high quality spaces, including lighting
- Community Safety – environment/anti-social behaviour