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Rokeby Kayak Launch Point - Survey

SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

13 March 2024 - 19 April 2024

PROJECT NAME:
Rokeby Kayak Launch Point

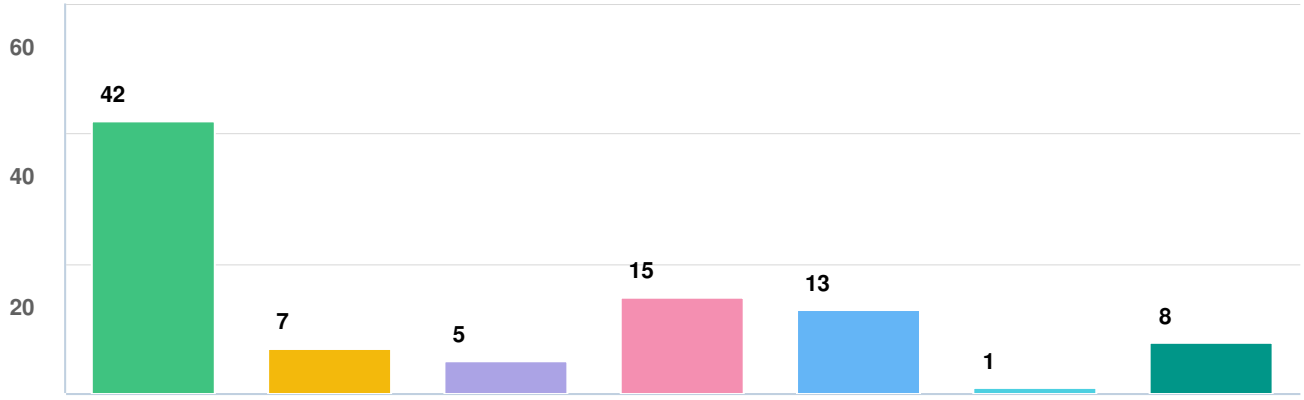
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Clarence City Council is looking upgrade the Rokeby Kayak Launch Point to improve access to our award-winning Clarence Kayak Trail. This project will see the upgrade of the existing launch facilities including installation of kayak and small watercraft washdown facilities, as well as associated landscaping and infrastructure including seating, bins and water connections to improve the site for community use.

This report included the survey responses received between 14 March to 19 April 2024. This feedback will help to ensure that we are meeting the needs of the community and key users.

SURVEY QUESTIONS

Q1 What do you like to do when you visit Rokeby Beach?

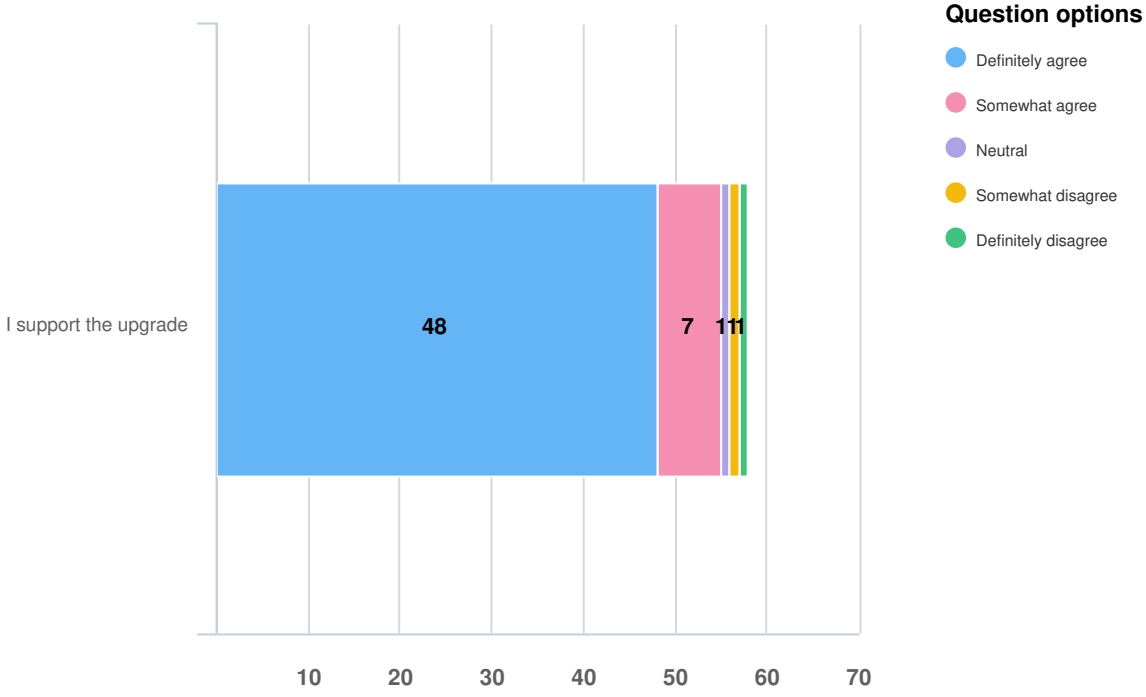


Question options

- Kayaking, canoeing or using a similar small water craft
- Stand up Paddle boarding
- Boating / sailing
- Walking or wheeling on the beach or nearby paths
- Parking and enjoying the view from my car
- Swimming
- Some other way (please specify)

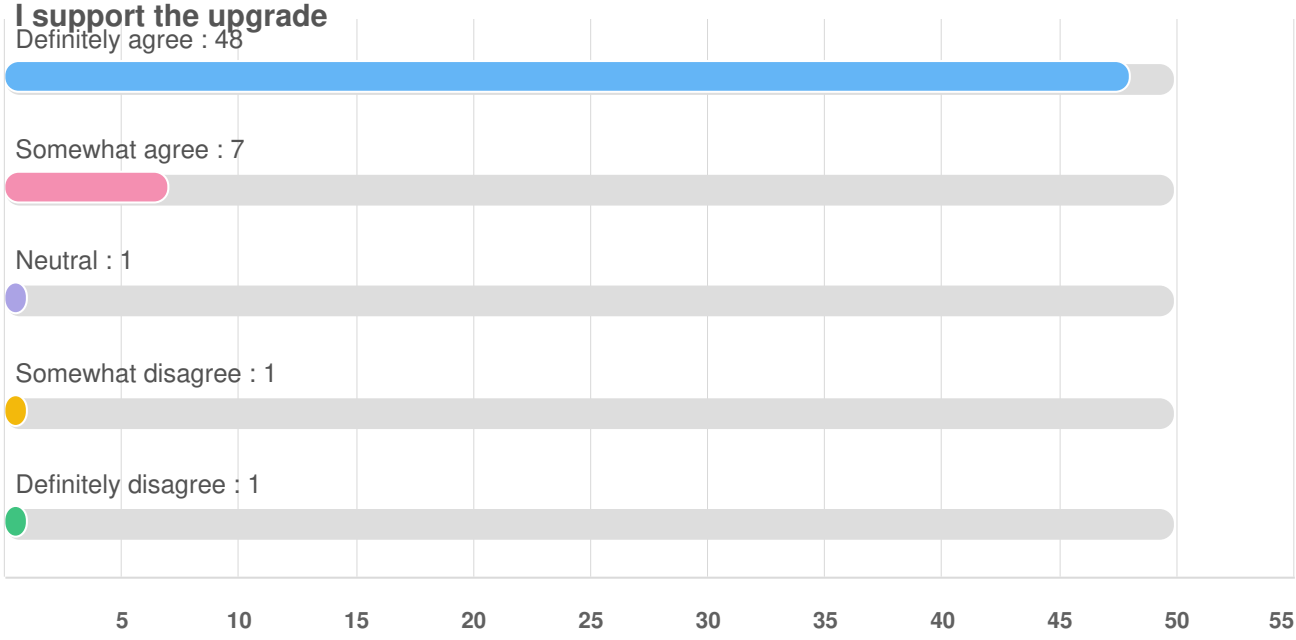
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Question type: Checkbox Question

Q2 How much do you support the proposed Rokeby Kayak Launch Point upgrade project? Please answer from strongly disagree to stro...



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Question type: Likert Question

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Q3 What is the main reason for your level of support?

Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2024 12:09 PM	In a local that uses the area. Last year there was a tent in the bushes for months with people living in it. We felt unsafe to go there.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2024 01:14 PM	Currently an unsuitable location
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2024 09:35 PM	It's my nearest convenient place to train on a surfski but currently lacks wash down facilities.
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2024 11:00 AM	Missing right now
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2024 08:16 PM	Used regularly when too windy for elsewhere
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2024 08:21 PM	It's a great venue in strong nw winds
Screen Name Redacted 3/16/2024 01:45 PM	Better facilities are always needed
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2024 12:02 PM	I like the concept provided the beach remains accessible for dogs off leash.
Screen Name Redacted 3/21/2024 02:03 PM	This area has better kayaking conditions than in the main part of the Derwent river.
Screen Name Redacted 3/26/2024 01:02 PM	The upgrade is overly focused on kayaking to the extent it is ignoring the many other uses of this neglected spot. It needs to broaden its appeal to people who use and stay on the land area and do not launch kayaks.
Screen Name Redacted 4/08/2024 04:53 PM	I reside 5 minutes away from this beach & I use it usually 3 times a week for kayaking, and 5 times a week for dog walking & I swim there in the summer.

Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 10:19 AM	Kayaks are becoming more popular and is an affordable way for more people enjoying being on the water.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 12:53 PM	Parking and east so I can carry my sup board
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 01:57 PM	Improved access and availability for kayaks
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 02:06 PM	Make it a much nice place to visit and launch from, and being able to wash down afterwards would be great.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 02:11 PM	I'd like to use it
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 02:18 PM	If it helps get more people out on the water enjoying our beautiful Eastern Shore then bring it on.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 02:36 PM	Ease of cases and improved facilities
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 02:48 PM	It is good to have places to launch kayaks without having to walk through mud or over sharp rocks. Also good to be able to wash them so they don't drop salt water on the car or need washing when we get home. I often rinse my car as well when I get home if I haven't been able to rinse the kayak before putting it on the car. That uses more water.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 02:57 PM	Great area to kayak, would be great to have imported walking tracks and bike paths on the eastern shore.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 03:25 PM	I feel like a bike path between rokeby and Lauderdale would be a better use of resources.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 03:25 PM	Facilities like these are gold for the community- such a worthwhile endeavour. Kayaking is a great sport.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 03:50 PM	I've launched my kayak from there a few times before, as it is convenient and close however no longer do as it is quite an awkward

	spot
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 04:01 PM	It is a great facility for kayakers
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 04:04 PM	Convenience.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 04:36 PM	Regularly paddle from that location
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 04:49 PM	I come to Rokeby beach often to kayak. Providing better facilities would improve the experience and encourage more participants
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 05:29 PM	The improvement of the area and addition of facilities will be a great enhancement to the site and usability
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 06:22 PM	Im alwsys looking for easy places to put on my kayak
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 06:30 PM	I enjoy going for walks and I'm new in the area. I didn't know of this but I do have a kayak so if there is a safe place to kayak I'd love to check it out.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 07:20 PM	It's quite informal and open to people degradation from foot traffic and potentially cars
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 07:57 PM	I live in Lauderdale and like to visit my elderly mother in Tranmere using my kayak, but it generally need to launch from Rokeby because the eastern side of Ralphs Bay is too shallow.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 08:04 PM	Rokeby beach needs more amenities
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 08:32 PM	Provides another option for access to our local waterways
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 09:08 PM	The have adequate and easy to use facilities when paddling.

Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 09:31 PM	I love living in Clarence, all upgrade work is highly recommend
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 09:47 PM	We need a place where we can launch kayaks alot of places have proper launch ramps
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 06:47 AM	It's a pretty poor looking and bad for usability at the moment
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 08:23 AM	Lack of kayak launch sites generally in Hobart
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 10:04 AM	More recreational facilities like this are encouraging for all community members.
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 12:12 PM	This is the most sheltered and safe launch spot in our prevailing westerly winds, all year round.
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 01:29 PM	Would like to live in this suburb in the future when it is safer for families.
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 01:45 PM	I think the area is under appreciated and more people using the area may deter the vandals
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 02:54 PM	As a kayaker , it is a good put in place in times of say a strong northerly or north westerly breeze and/or when swell is too big elsewhere and there are some pleasant places to paddle to from there in Ralph's Bay. The wash down facility in particular would be much appreciated. Otherwise we have to carry large amounts of water and trestles to dry kayaks on. The removal of gravel near car parking great also when changing out of wet clothing/footwear prevents dragging gravel onto clothing/into cars etc
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 05:40 PM	Good to encourage kayaking,
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 07:54 PM	To tidy the area and hopefully the road can be repaired properly to allow for safe usage.

Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 10:12 PM	I normally access Ralf's Bay from Doran's Rd. boatramp and rightly or wrongly have been a little concerned about the security of unattended vehicles closer to Rokeby..
Screen Name Redacted 4/12/2024 06:26 AM	Finding creative ways to use and upgrade the area surrounding the entry to Rokeby beach is a great way to promote community use.
Screen Name Redacted 4/12/2024 06:54 AM	Gives more for the community to engage in.
Screen Name Redacted 4/12/2024 08:33 AM	I live locally and getting into kayaking also looks like a great safe place to launch for beginners.
Screen Name Redacted 4/12/2024 10:06 AM	I would like to see the area more developed for leisure purposes. I'm interested in kayaking and stand up paddle.
Screen Name Redacted 4/14/2024 10:25 AM	Launch/land kayak to take advantage of Clarence Kayak Trail
Screen Name Redacted 4/14/2024 07:54 PM	Assist paddlers to get on the water
Screen Name Redacted 4/17/2024 07:24 AM	To make it as easy for people to get out on the water as possible

Optional question (54 response(s), 4 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q4 Is there anything else we should consider including in the plans? Have we missed something or how could they be improved to better suit your needs?

Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2024 12:09 PM	Rubbish bin with dog bags. A seat or two.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2024 01:14 PM	Control any plans to actually be adhered too. Council has a poor countability when it comes to enforcing the plans and recommendations they themselves make

Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2024 11:00 AM	Showers
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2024 08:16 PM	There is no where to go to the toilet. Not even a bush or two that's private. Can a toilet be included please?
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2024 12:02 PM	A trak along the top bank would be useful for when full tides make the beach inaccessible.
Screen Name Redacted 3/21/2024 02:03 PM	Security cameras for parked cars
Screen Name Redacted 3/26/2024 01:02 PM	The plan needs better seating not just sandstone blocks. The seats need to be appropriate to older people and adults - this would mean having a back rest. Shade provision given sunburn/cancer risks and an ability to park cars to view the bay for those unable to get out of their car.
Screen Name Redacted 4/08/2024 04:53 PM	Car parking needs to be at 45 degrees if possible. When cars park end to end it's quite difficult (near impossible if your on your own) to load/unload kayaks, canoes, surf-skis etc.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 10:19 AM	Will there be enough parking in the area? A tap? A toilet? Signage?
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 12:48 PM	I live on this road and there is an extreme amount of Reckless driving late at night on the gravel and bitumen areas. Deterrents for this behaviour should be taken into consideration for the new area to remain in good condition or it will be destroyed very quickly
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 12:53 PM	Grass area to stand on to clean board before it put back in my car
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 02:36 PM	Possiblity 1 unisex public toilet but noting thisvwoukdvrequire greater capital works.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 02:48 PM	A lot of us (especially women) struggle to lift kayaks high enough to load them from the side of the car, and we instead slide them onto the cradles from the back of the car. It looks like all your parking is parallel parking which would require someone to help with

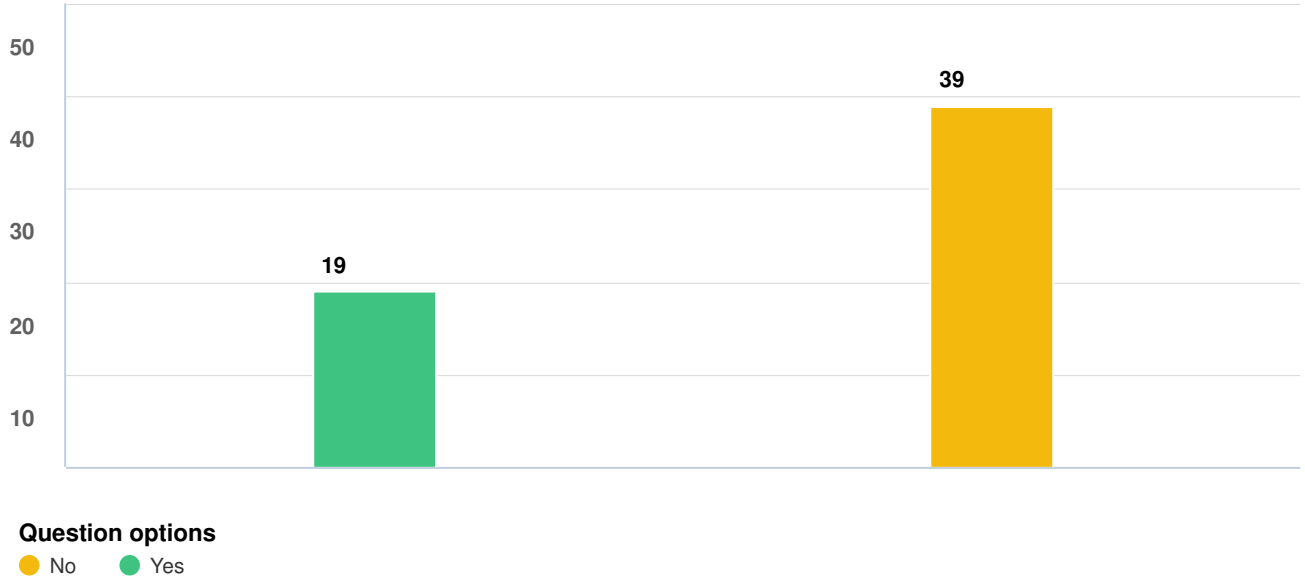
	loading/unloading kayaks from the side when there is no space between the cars. This makes it difficult for solo kayakers, especially women, and would be a reason not to use this launching point.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 03:25 PM	I couldn't see the plans very well on my mobile. Can you please share them so they're easier to see?
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 03:25 PM	Clean up the beach from broken glass
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 03:50 PM	The kayak cradle should be as close to the entry/exit point as possible to save excess carrying. Whilst landscaping is great, it would be good if it didn't obstruct loading onto vehicles. It can be unsafe trying to get a kayak off a car when you have to stand on the road to do so.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 04:04 PM	No
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 04:49 PM	Toilets would be a great addition I believe the parking should be 90degree angle parking to facilitate easier transfer of kayaks from the car roof racks to the beach and provide more car spaces the kayak wash down location should be in a more unobstructed area. The kayaks are 5-6 m long and sometimes awkward to manoeuvre the proposed location is too close to the proposed stone wall The water supply needs to be right next to the kayak wash down location
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 05:29 PM	The parking looks limited and close to the road. May need to have better parking if walkers are going to use the area as well
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 07:20 PM	Doesn't seem to have enough parking. Just our paddling group has more than 10 cars, at the moment there is 90 degree parking but the plan has changed that to parallel parking
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 07:57 PM	Security cameras covering the car par to give peace of mind while out paddling as this is an area at high risk of car theft or vandalism.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 08:32 PM	No

Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 09:08 PM	Having an open air change room (like Lauderdale) would be good. The wash down rack be wide enough to fit 2 skis side by side (Little Howrah width is perfect).
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 01:29 PM	Public toilets, playground.
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 02:54 PM	It looks great to me. As kayakers carrying boats to the water main thing is a good walking surface. Sand is fine, not sure if your plan has steps involved. We would prefer no steps but level differences may not allow this. Re parking, it looks ok, we sometimes as a club (Tasmanian Sea Canoe Club might have a programmed trip from here and we've had as many as 10 kayakers which usually means 10 cars. So, hopefully there is enough road space for overflow parking beyond the new hotmix parking lane
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 05:40 PM	Worth noting that with the proposed parallel parking, in order to unload two kayaks from the one vehicle it will require potentially lifting and manauvering the kayak over the road, is there a suggestion to slow the traffic down (signs or speed bumps) in the road in the vicinity of the launching area.
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 07:54 PM	Better tidal flow from the creek to the beach. At times the smell is incredibly strong which does not encourage people to use the area.
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 10:12 PM	Protection from strong wind is important when washing and loading kayaks especialk lightweight skis, so the planting should be selected with this in mind. Most coastal natives should do this .
Screen Name Redacted 4/12/2024 06:26 AM	The Plans for the updated kayak entry do not cover end just at the point where there is significant man made waste littered on the beach - tonnes of concrete, asphalt, tyres and other debris. It is not only desirable but necessary for any works to Rokeby Beach to rehabilitate the beach from the man-made waste impacting its use and appeal. It is also unsafe - I have fallen on the concrete and old metal wire cut me. The other aspect; which may require an appropriate expert's assessment is coastal erosion from the industrial sites abutting the beach. I strongly encourage council employees and any consultants engaged in this work to inspect the beach for the man made waste and coastal erosion. I strongly encourage Council to include: removal of man-made waste and measures to address coastal erosion in this work. There is a Facebook Page titled 'Restore Rokeby Beach' that includes images of the erosion and man made

	waste.
Screen Name Redacted 4/12/2024 06:54 AM	A geocache location.
Screen Name Redacted 4/12/2024 08:33 AM	Hopefully you get water connection for wash down facility.
Screen Name Redacted 4/12/2024 10:06 AM	Sitting areas, beach access, drinking water fountain
Screen Name Redacted 4/14/2024 10:25 AM	TOILETS!

Optional question (33 response(s), 25 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q5 Do you currently use the existing boat ramp for boat launching?



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Question type: Checkbox Question

Q6 What do you feel works or doesn't work with the existing boat ramp? Does it need any changes to make it more useable for you?

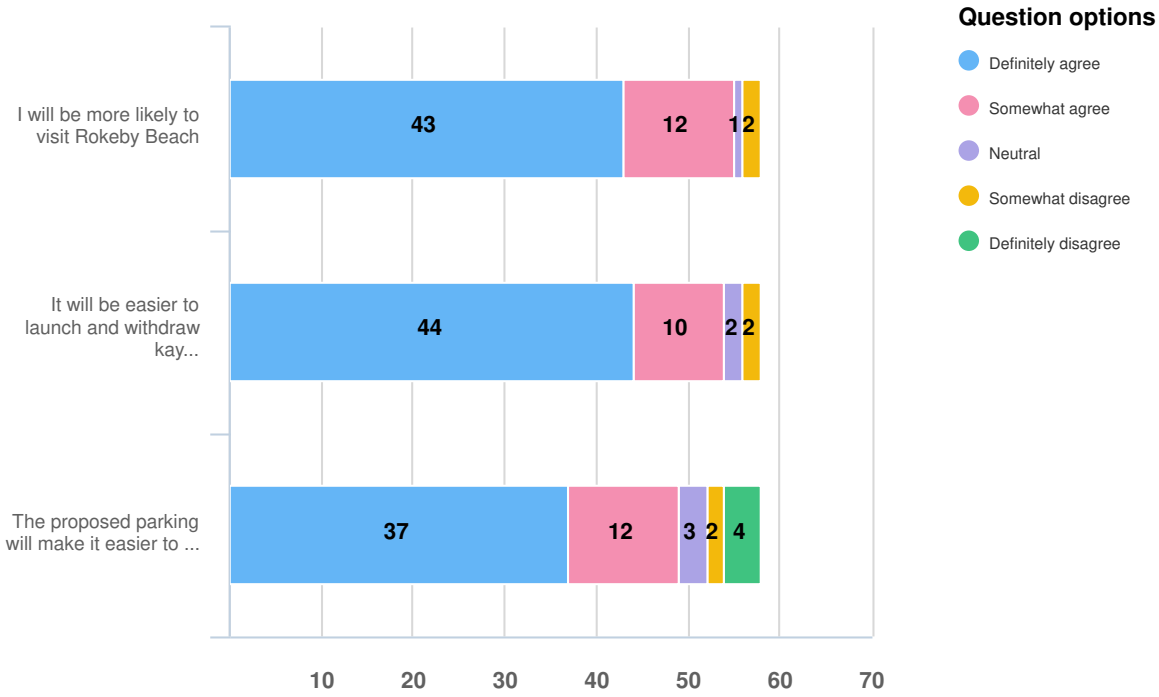
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2024 12:09 PM	Some seating.
Screen Name Redacted 3/14/2024 01:14 PM	Ensuring it is kept in good condition , clean and safe for all users
Screen Name Redacted 3/15/2024 11:00 AM	Regular descaling
Screen Name Redacted 3/16/2024 01:45 PM	Small floating jetty would be good
Screen Name Redacted 3/19/2024 12:02 PM	It looks really nice.
Screen Name Redacted 3/26/2024 01:02 PM	NA

Screen Name Redacted 4/08/2024 04:53 PM	It’s usually covered up with sand & a lot of user’s don’t know there is a ramp there.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 10:19 AM	Too hard to get into kayak
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 02:06 PM	I haven't used it, but it looks useable, but just now expecially welcoming.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 03:25 PM	I don't know.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 03:50 PM	see above, parallel parking to the road is going to be awkward for loading/unloading from roof racks
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 04:04 PM	The upgrade looks good.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 05:29 PM	Boat ramp is on for launching SUP. Perhaps the ability to have deeper Ayer sooner would be helpful to getting away.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 07:20 PM	As stated it works well but open to foot print damage and potentially car damage, the wash down stand is a good idea
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 07:57 PM	I don’t like putting a dirty and salty kayak on the car, but having a wash down cradle will remove this problem.
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 08:04 PM	It's just terrible
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 09:08 PM	n/a
Screen Name Redacted 4/10/2024 09:47 PM	Muddy
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 06:47 AM	Not deep enough

Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 08:23 AM	It’s designed for boats not kayaks.
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 02:54 PM	Sorry, above answer needs clarification, we do sort of use the ramp to step onto at landing and keep sand off footwear. But the ramp is not essential for us kayakers
Screen Name Redacted 4/11/2024 10:12 PM	As mentioned, I normally use Doran's Road so no comment.
Screen Name Redacted 4/12/2024 06:26 AM	No comment.
Screen Name Redacted 4/12/2024 06:54 AM	The water is to shallow even at High tied to launch a boat, even a dingy would struggle. were as a kayak has a lower draught
Screen Name Redacted 4/12/2024 08:33 AM	Getting into kayaking bit hard to comment at this stage. Your proposed plan looks great.
Screen Name Redacted 4/14/2024 10:25 AM	N/A

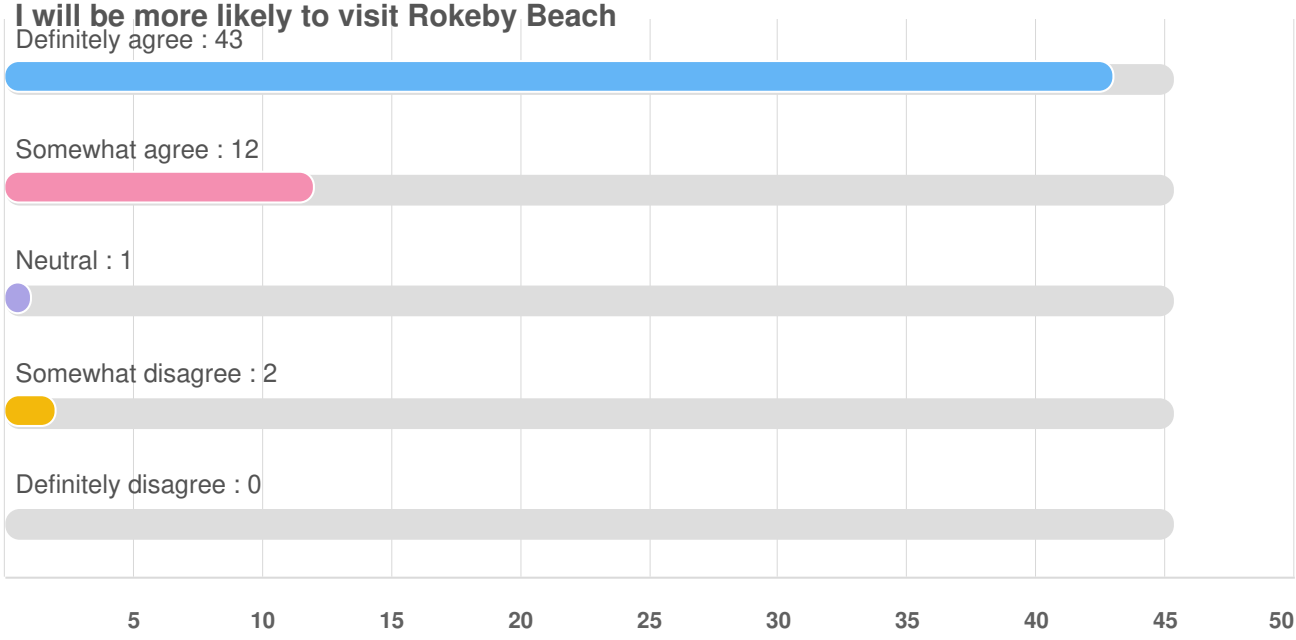
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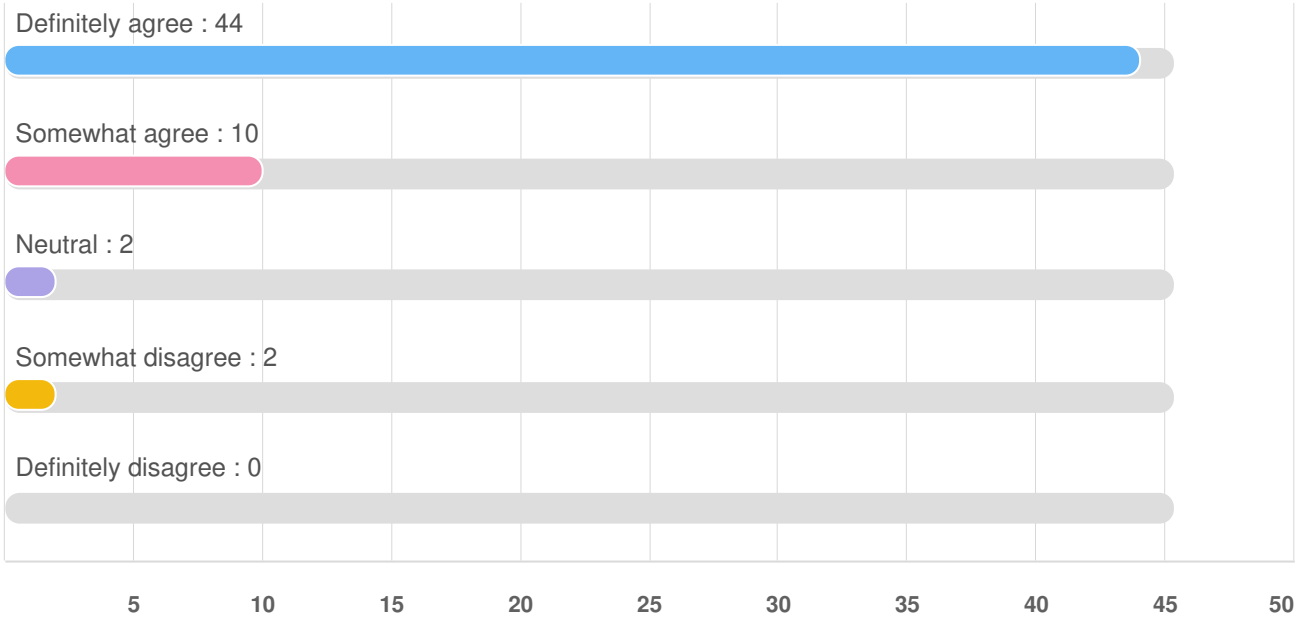


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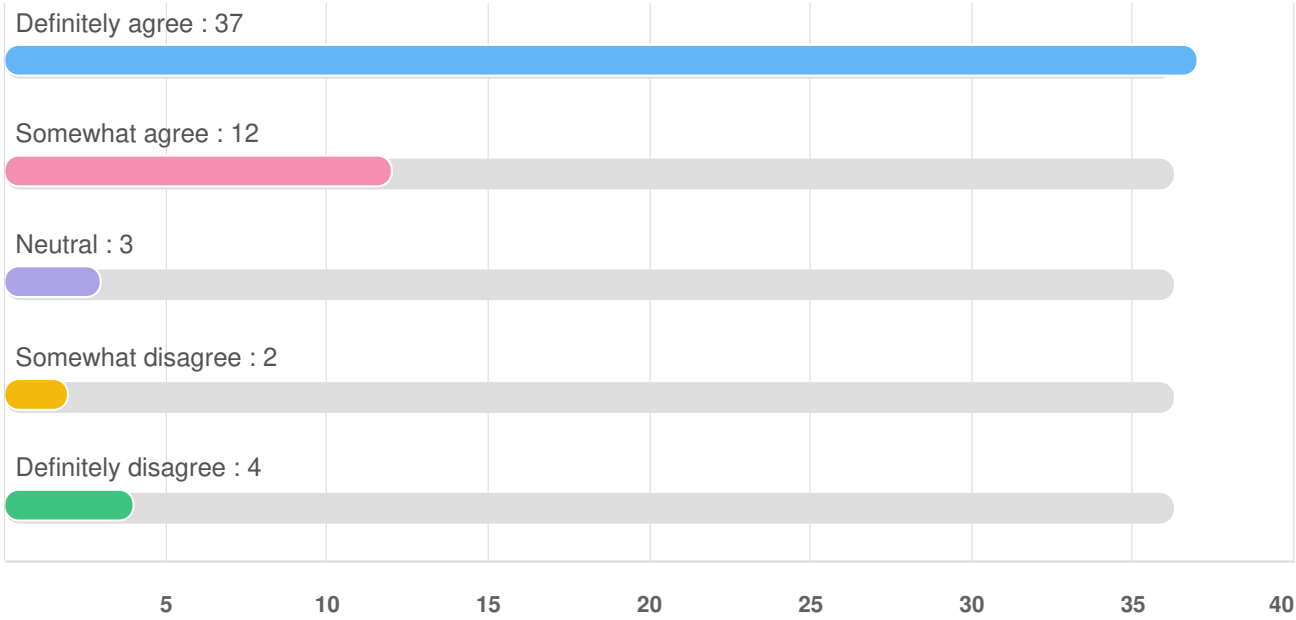
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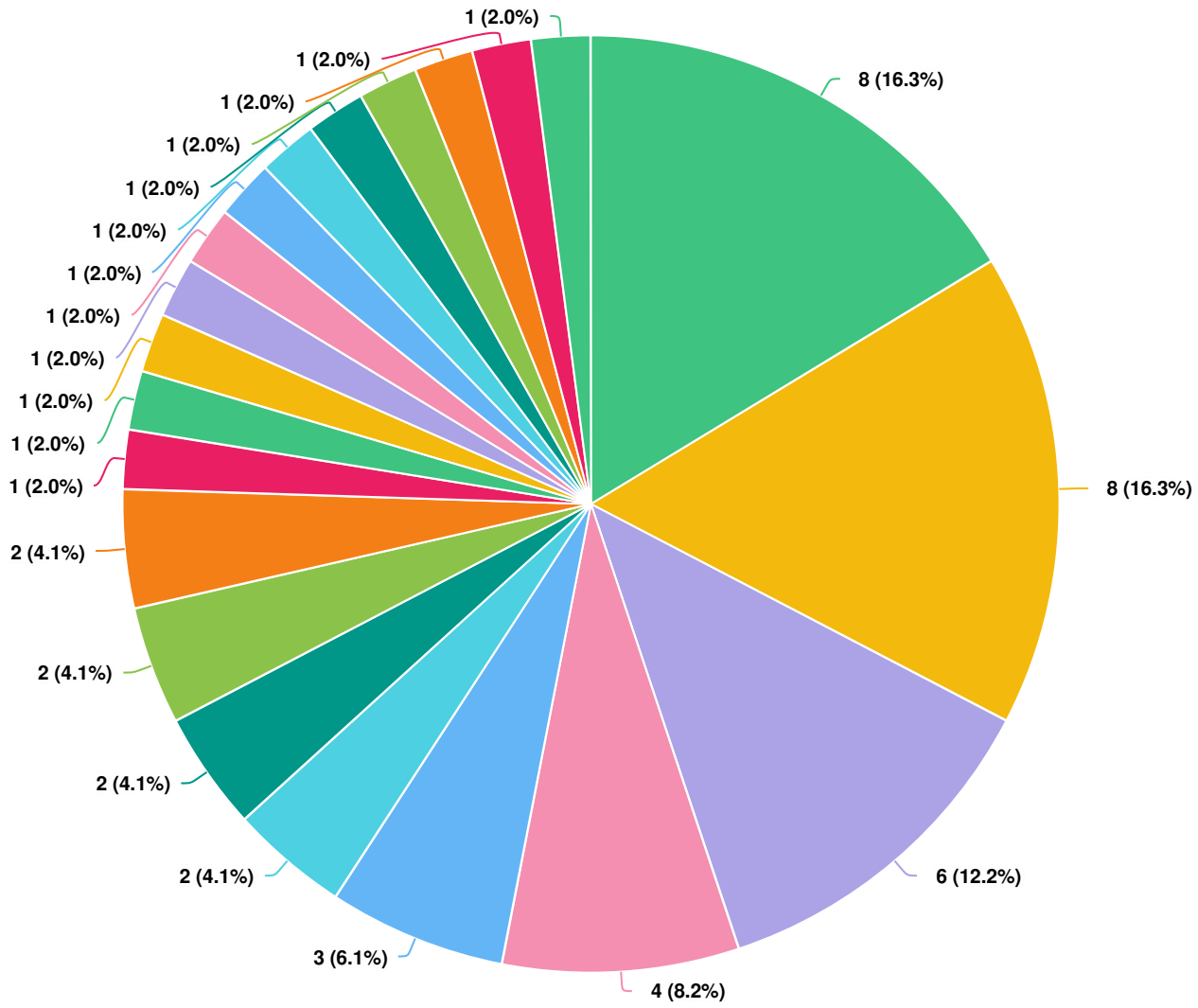
It will be easier to launch and withdraw kayaks and other small water craft



The proposed parking will make it easier to use and access Rokeby Beach



Q8 Lastly, some questions about you…Where do you live?

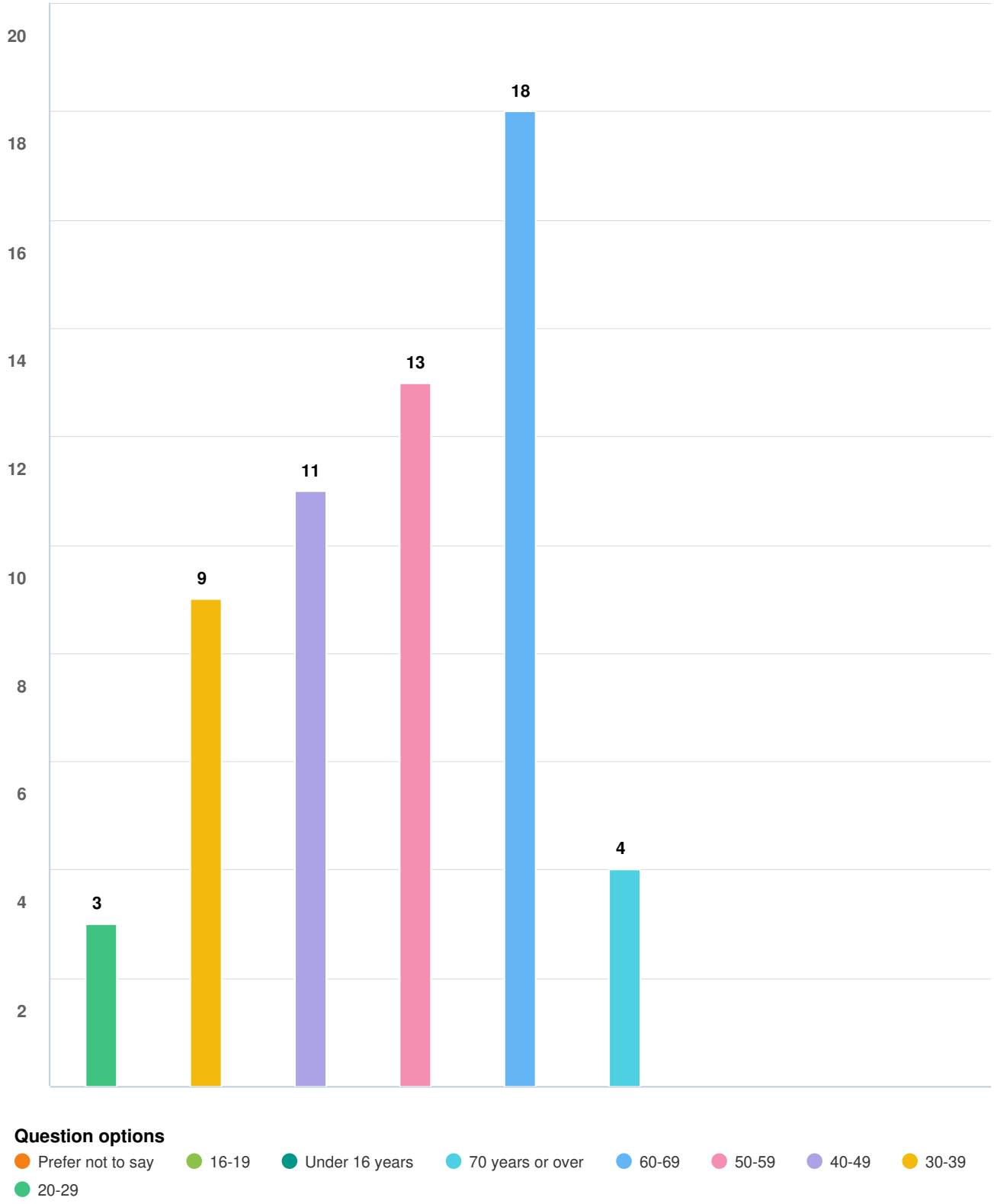


Question options

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Optional question (49 response(s), 9 skipped)
Question type: Region Question

Q9 What is your age?



Optional question (58 response(s), 0 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question