

# Summary and Analysis of Survey Data

## 1. Connection to Thanet

- Responses: 142
- Key Findings:
  - Live in Thanet: 68.5% (97 respondents)
  - Work in Thanet: 23.6% (33 respondents)
  - Own a business in Thanet: 5.9% (8 respondents)
  - Visit for holidays/short visits: 0%
  - Other: 2% (4 respondents) with specific mentions like family in Ramsgate, community group volunteer, parish councillor, and private landlord.

## 2. Residency in Thanet

- Responses: 142
- Key Findings:
  - Top Locations:
    - Margate: 32.4% (46 respondents)
    - Ramsgate: 30.3% (43 respondents)
    - Broadstairs: 16.9% (24 respondents)
  - Other Locations:
    - Birchington-on-Sea and Westgate-on-Sea: 3.5% each (5 respondents each)
    - Others include Garlinge, St Peter's, Cliffsend, Manston, Minster, St Nicholas at Wade, and individual mentions of Cliffsend, Cliftonville, Nethercourt, Palm Bay, and work-related residency.

## 3. Rule 1: Antisocial Group Congregation

- Strong Agreement: 54.2% (77 respondents)
- Agreement: 27.5% (39 respondents)
- Neutral: 6.3% (9 respondents)
- Disagreement: 4.9% (7 respondents)
- Strong Disagreement: 7% (10 respondents)

#### **4. Rule 2: Misuse of Public Space**

- Strong Agreement: 58.5% (83 respondents)
- Agreement: 28.9% (41 respondents)
- Neutral: 5.6% (8 respondents)
- Disagreement: 3.5% (5 respondents each for strongly disagree and disagree)

#### **5. Rule 3: Using Foul or Abusive Language**

- Strong Agreement: 56.3% (80 respondents)
- Agreement: 34.5% (49 respondents)
- Neutral: 2.1% (3 respondents)
- Disagreement: 4.9% (7 respondents)
- Strong Disagreement: 2.1% (3 respondents)

#### **6. Rule 4: Excreting Bodily Fluids**

- Strong Agreement: 79.6% (113 respondents)
- Agreement: 15.5% (22 respondents)
- Neutral: 2.1% (3 respondents)
- Disagreement: 1.4% (2 respondents each for strongly disagree and disagree)

#### **7. Rule 5: Alcohol Consumption**

- Strong Agreement: 58.5% (83 respondents)
- Agreement: 31.7% (45 respondents)
- Neutral: 4.9% (7 respondents)
- Disagreement: 1.4% (2 respondents)
- Strong Disagreement: 3.5% (5 respondents)

#### **8. Rule 6: Use of Legal Psychoactive Substances and Intoxicants**

- Strong Agreement: 69.7% (99 respondents)
- Agreement: 20.4% (29 respondents)
- Neutral: 3.5% (5 respondents)
- Disagreement: 4.2% (6 respondents)
- Strong Disagreement: 2.1% (3 respondents)

#### **9. Rule 7: Inappropriate Harmful and Degrading Activity**

- Strong Agreement: 73.9% (105 respondents)
- Agreement: 21.1% (30 respondents)

- Neutral: 2.1% (3 respondents)
- Disagreement: 1.4% (2 respondents each for strongly disagree and disagree)

## 10. Extending the Designated Area of the PSPO

- Strong Agreement: 64.8% (92 respondents)
- Agreement: 26.8% (38 respondents)
- Neutral: 3.5% (5 respondents)
- Disagreement: 1.4% (2 respondents)
- Strong Disagreement: 3.5% (5 respondents)

## Analysis

- Community Connection:
  - A majority of the respondents are residents of Thanet, with a significant portion also working or owning businesses in the area. This suggests a strong local engagement in community affairs.
- Geographical Distribution:
  - The highest concentration of respondents live in Margate and Ramsgate, followed by Broadstairs. This distribution might reflect the population density and engagement levels in these areas.
- Support for Community Rules:
  - There is strong support for rules addressing antisocial behaviour, misuse of public space, foul language, bodily fluids, alcohol consumption, and psychoactive substances. The majority of respondents "strongly agree" or "agree" with these rules, indicating community concern for maintaining public order and safety.
- Extending PSPO Area:
  - A significant majority support extending the PSPO (Public Spaces Protection Order) area, reflecting a community desire for broader enforcement of these rules.

## Further comments

1. Underage drinking on Thanet's beaches is a significant issue that leads to other forms of antisocial behaviour. It is proposed that anyone found underage drinking or under the influence of alcohol or other substances should be immediately removed from the area and prohibited from returning.

2. Living directly on Botany Bay seafront, we experience severe issues every year due to day trippers. Despite having a PSPO in place last year, enforcing it was extremely challenging. While the concept appears promising, if current enforcement in designated areas is inadequate, how will it be effectively implemented on a larger scale?
3. Will additional police resources be allocated specifically to enforce these measures?
4. Regarding drinking on the beach, there should be authority to confiscate all glass bottles of spirits and similar items often left by drinking groups, which pose a risk of injury to beachgoers. Is this covered under the definition of behaviour "detrimental to the community"? Clarity on such broad definitions is essential for both law enforcement and public understanding.

In summary, this snippet of statements noted here underscore the crucial need for enforcement officers to address issues related to drinking, anti-social behaviour.