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What can London's Waterways do for your local area?

Friday 11 November 2016



Agenda

- Welcome
- What can London's Waterways do for your local area?
 - Transforming Places
 - Making the most of the waterspace
 - Who's on London's Boats?
 - Working in Partnership
- Break (including 2 minutes silence)
- Table discussions - Making the most of waterways in your area



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Welcome

Richard Parry
Chief Executive





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Transforming Places

Helen Edwards
National Spatial Planning
Team Manager



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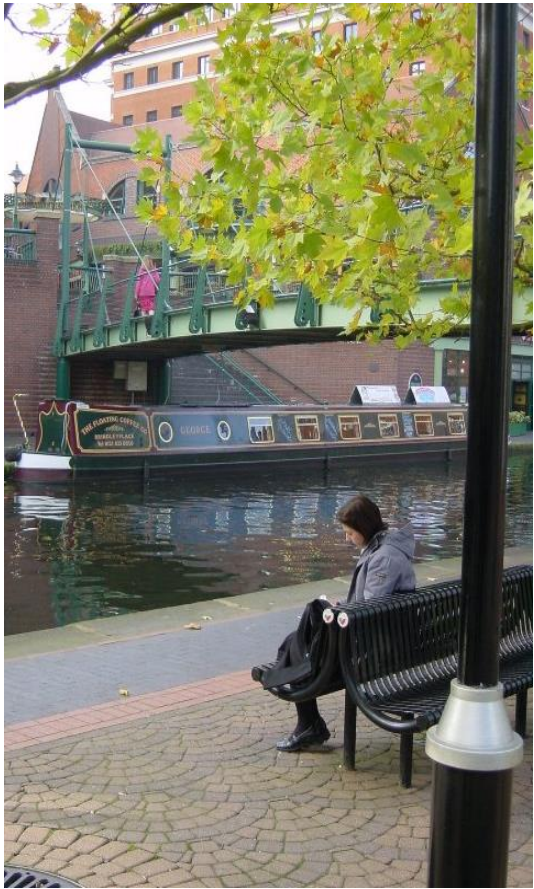
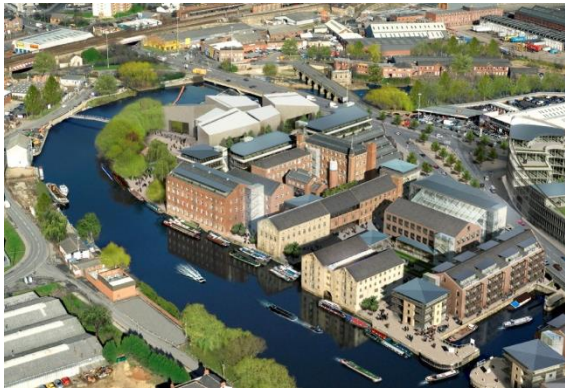


Importance of Planning



96% of waterside land is in the ownership of third parties

Water Defining Character



Missed Opportunities



Initial Design Principles

Our aspirations for new waterside developments are that they:

- Positively address the water
- Integrate the towing path & open up access to the water
- Link waterside space and waterspace
- Utilise the water itself
- Incorporate access and other improvements
- Engage with and tease out the quality and benefit of being by water
- Create strategic connected waterway and waterside neighbourhoods

Reflect these principles in planning policy



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Kings Cross
London



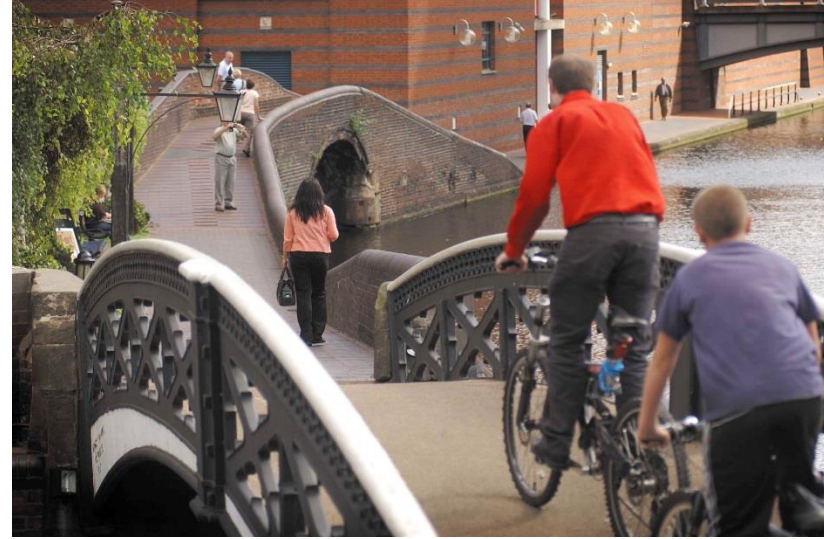
Other Opportunities

Health and Well Being



Other Opportunities

Sustainable Transport & Freight



Other Opportunities

Biodiversity



Heritage



Other Opportunities

Utilities Infrastructure



Surface Water Discharge



Canal Water Heating and Cooling



Realising Opportunities

- Creating supportive policies in development plans - from the London Plan to neighbourhood level
- Cross boundaries – duty to co-operate
- Development Briefs/ Waterway Strategies
- CIL/S106 strategy
- Pre-application consultation
- Negotiation on applications





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Making the most of the waterspace

Gareth Stephens
National Business Boating Manager



Overview

- Boating Business Team
- Potential uses on the water
- Identifying usable water space
- New mooring schemes
- Working together with the Trust

What is Boating Business?

Trip Boats

Restaurants

Canoeing clubs

Rowing clubs

Heritage Tours

Holiday Hire

Hotel Boats

SUPs

And lots more.....

Leisure Moorings

Residential Moorings

Commercial Moorings

Roving Traders

Marinas

Boatyards

Hire Boat Bases

Floating Markets

Working with developers

- Granary Square, Kings Cross



Granary Square

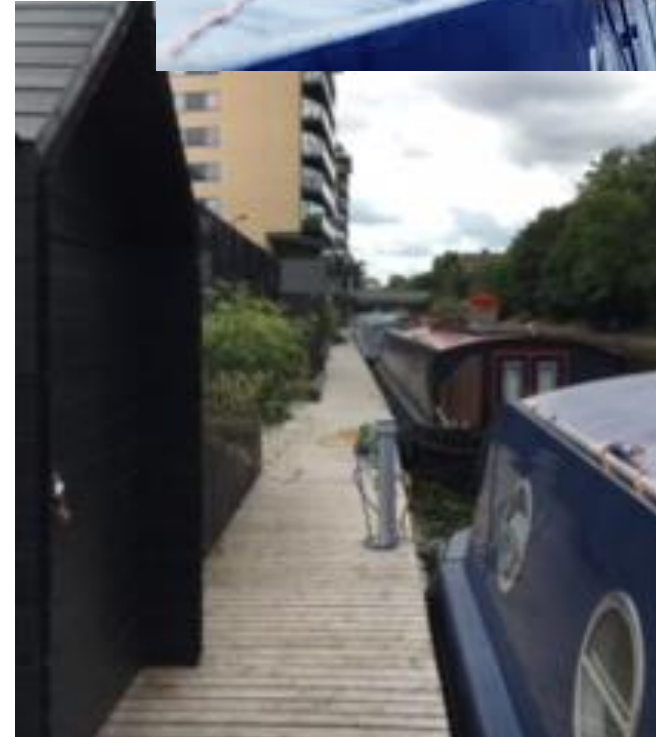


Identifying suitable water space

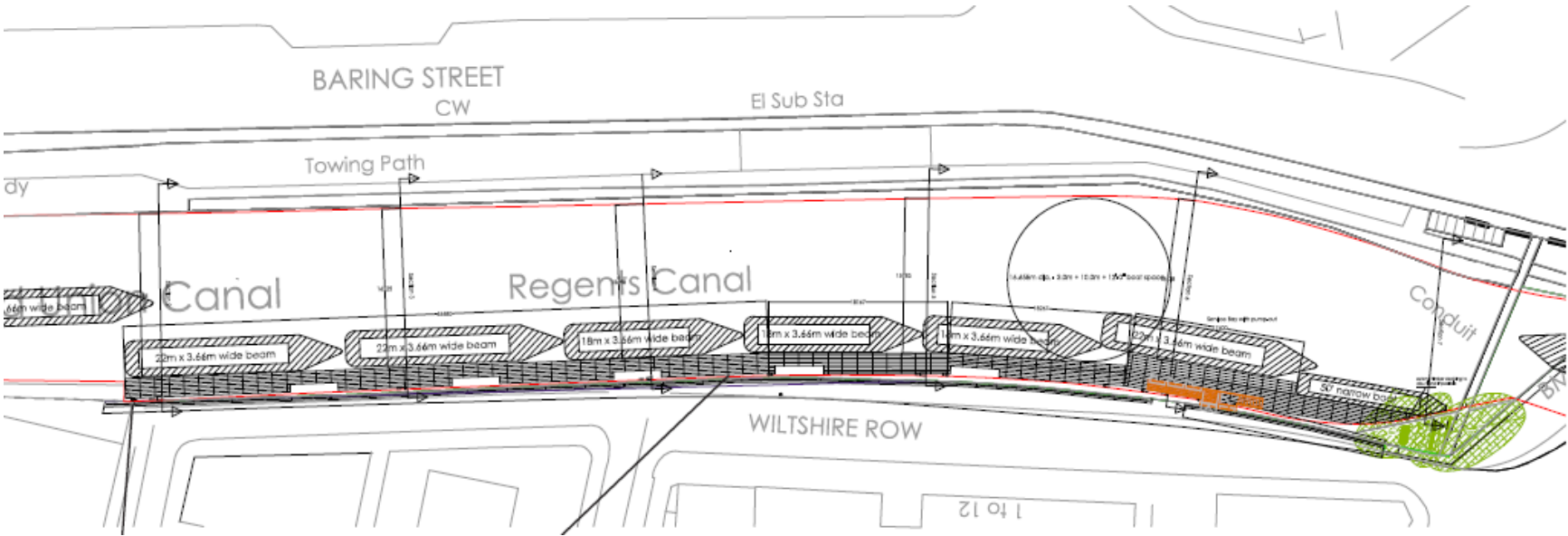


Gainsborough Wharf Moorings

- Small high quality mooring site
- Offering long term residential moorings
- Proposal for boatel type operation



Gainsborough Wharf



Events & short term moorings



Wood Wharf



Commercial boats



The application Process

- How it works?
- Operating proposal
- Internal consultation
- Works proposal
- Agreement

Working together with the Trust

- What is the relationship between the land owner and the Trust?
- The Trust's ownership
- Adjoining landowners and the Trust
- Network access agreements



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Who lives on London's Boats?

Matthew Symonds
Strategy and Engagement Manager



Boat numbers in London

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Not registered	26	22	28	31	34	55	19
Boats with a home mooring	1607	1506	1599	1674	1732	1797	1935
Boats without a home mooring	413	522	638	769	1036	1225	1615
MAC (mooring awaiting confirmation)						143	57
	31	62	40	83	140		
BIN	13	5	6	7	4	3	4
Trailable	1	5	5	4	6	16	12
Other Navigations	10	15	10	13	12	16	20
Total	2101	2137	2326	2581	2964	3225	3662

Boat sightings only on CRT enforceable waters

All boat numbers in London

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Not registered	27	60	89	216	329	613	729
Boats with a home mooring	1663	1903	2108	2129	2177	2160	2304
Boats without a home mooring	417	537	657	802	1065	1323	1641
MAC (mooring awaiting confirmation)	31	72	57	103	202	189	88
BIN	13	16	16	26	17	11	12
Trailable	2	5	5	6	10	26	23
Other Navigations	11	20	11	17	16	18	23
Total	2164	2613 (21%)	2943 (36%)	3299 (52%)	3816 (76%)	4340 (100)	4820 (123)

Boat sightings including on non CRT enforceable waters

Boat numbers by area

3 year growth in all boats in London, by sub-regional division

	West	Central	East	Total
Mar-12	646	804	876	2326
Mar-13	703	939	939	2581
Mar-14	739	1010	1215	2964
Mar-15	725	1110	1420	3255
Mar-16	772	1260	1630	3662

East : comprises Limehouse Cut, Hertford Union Canal, Lee Navigation and River Stort

Central: comprises Regent's Canal and Grand Union Paddington Arm.

West: comprises Grand Union, Slough Arm

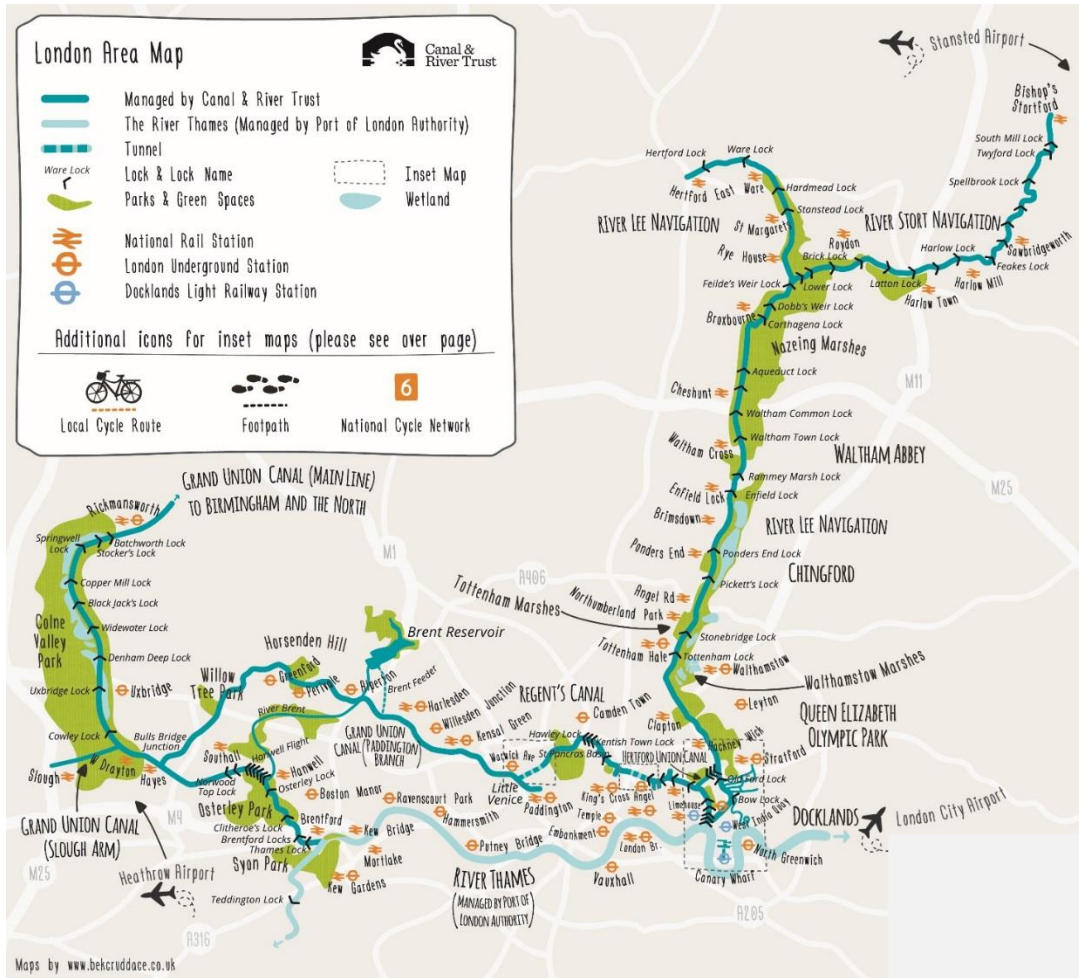
Figures relate to boats recorded on the canal which are not at their home mooring, during annual National Boat Check on a typical day in March each year.

More boats without home moorings

	Year	West	Central	East	Total
	2012	129	232	277	638
	2013	149	350	270	769
	2014	151	381	499	1031
	2015	153	444	628	1225
	2016	204	629	782	1615
Difference 2015 –16 (nos. of boats)		51	185	154	390
% change on previous year		33%	42%	25%	32%

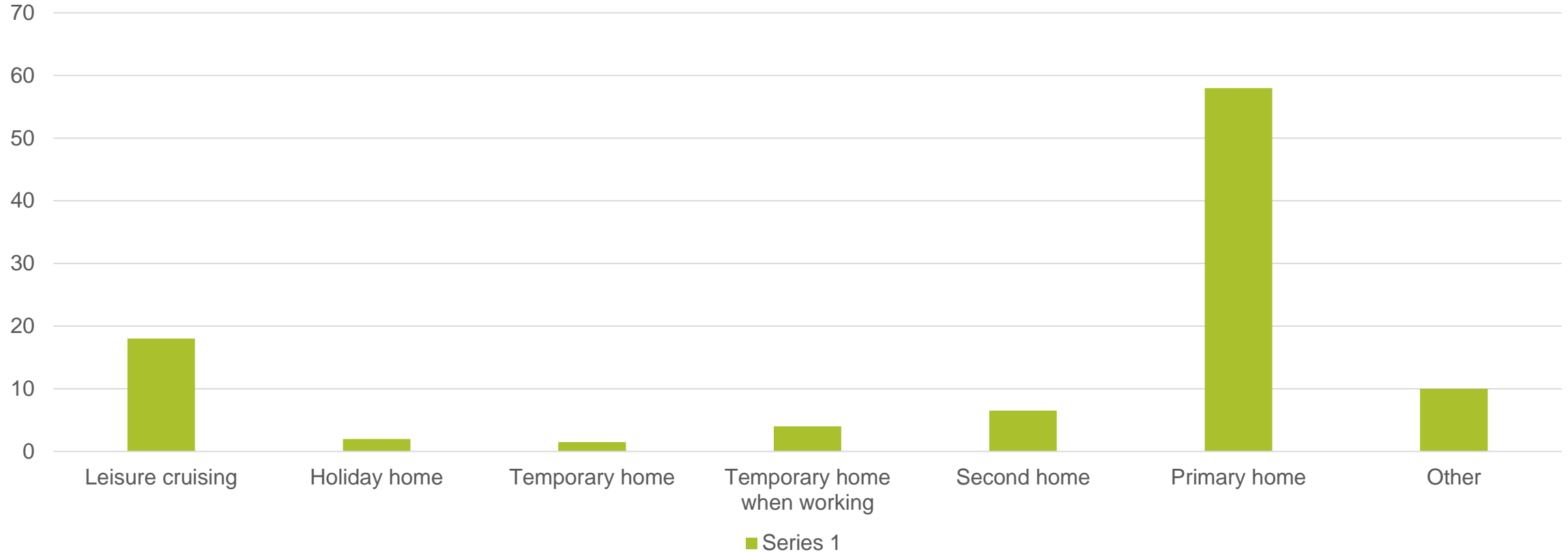
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London's Waterways



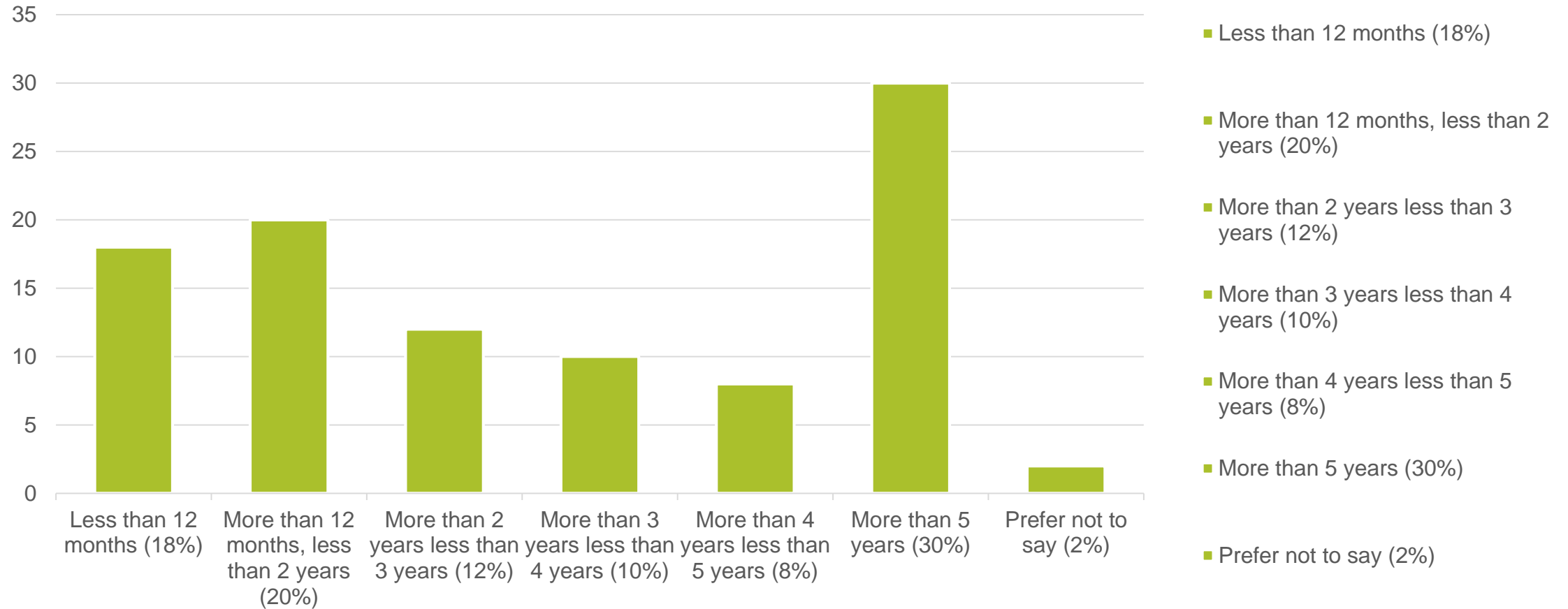
- Survey of boaters on London's Waterways Sept/Oct 2016
- 1323 response (approximately 36% of boaters in London)
- 42% boaters with home mooring
- 37% boaters without home mooring

How do you use your boat most of the time?

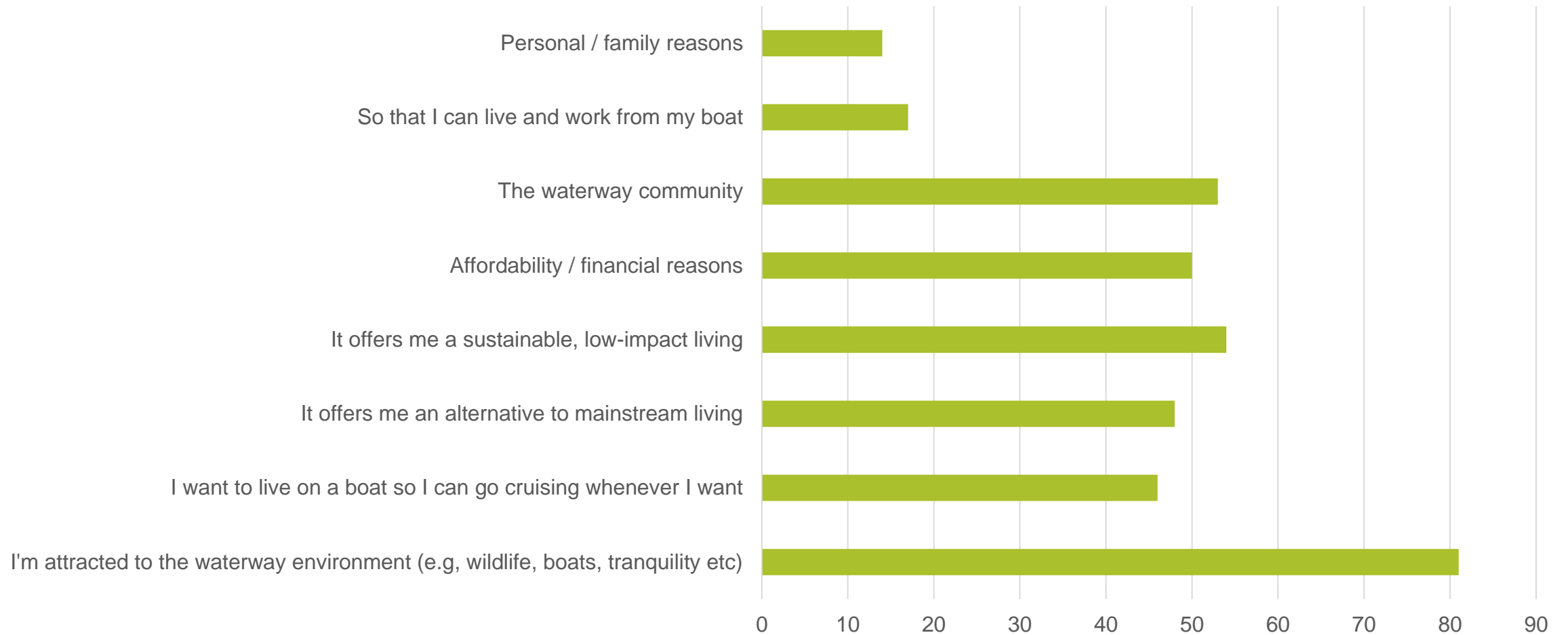


Of the respondents who chose 'other' as an option, these responses included Rowing (66), sport, leisure or recreation (42), business use (10), Office/studio (2)

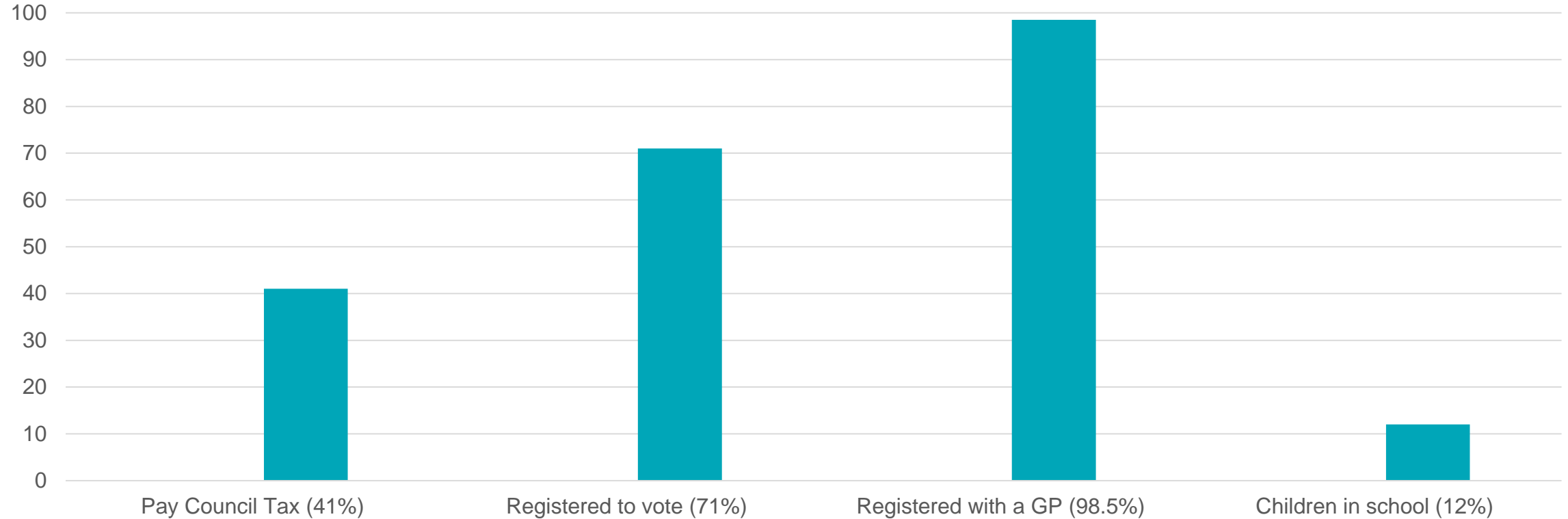
How long you have been living on a boat in the London Waterways area?



Main motivations for living on a boat?

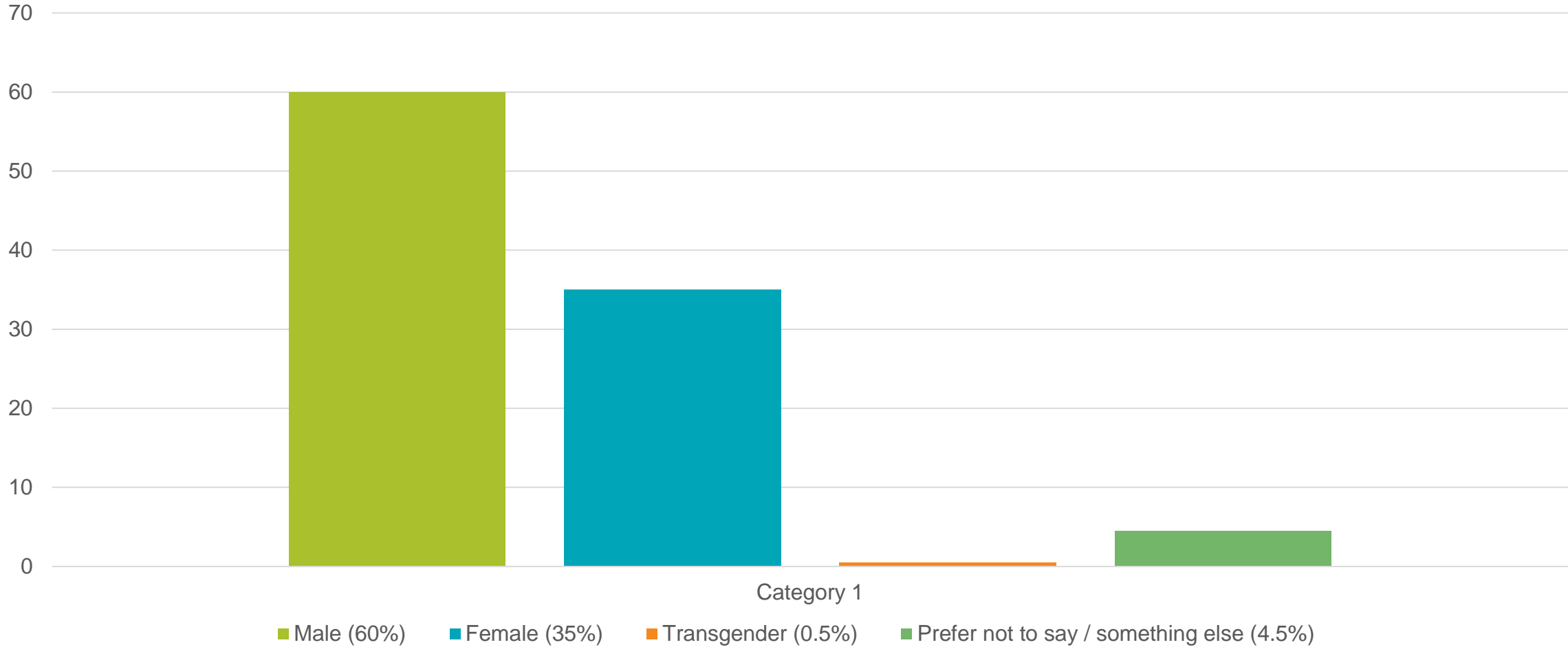


Connections to a particular area

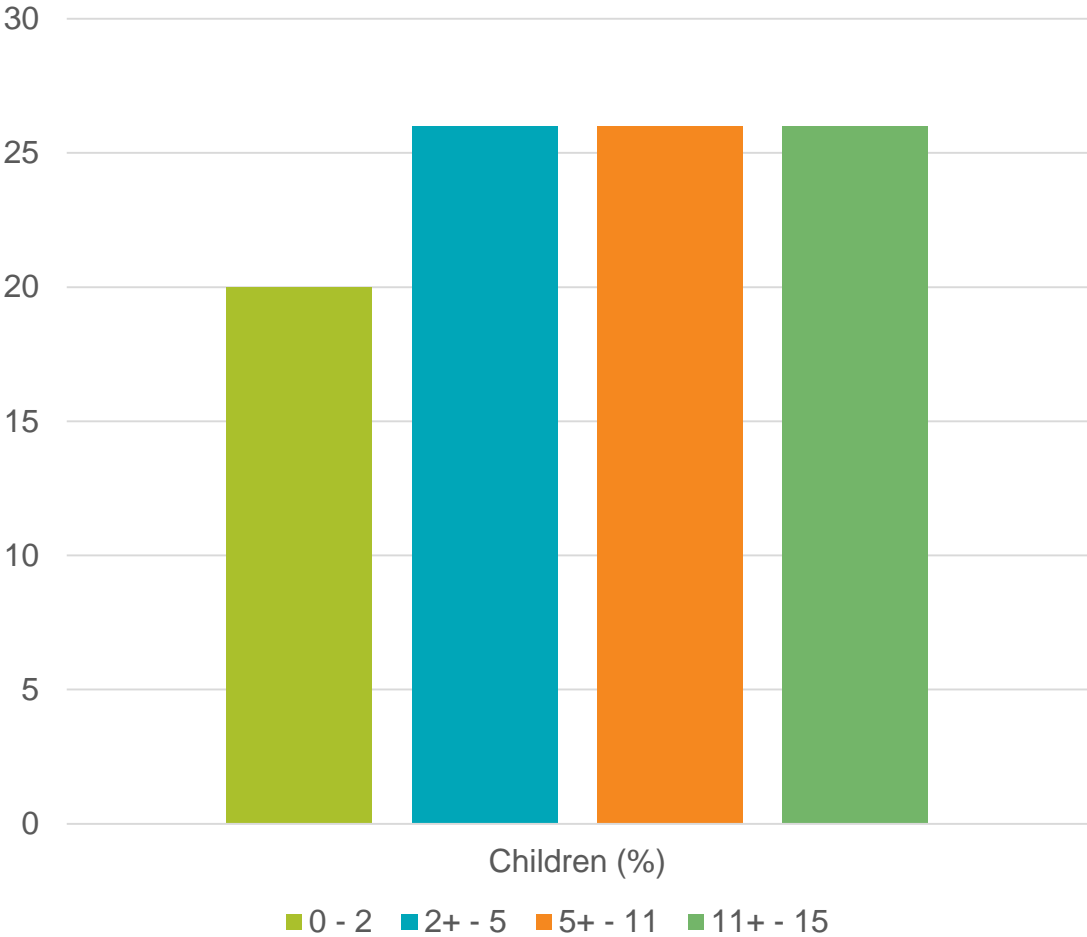
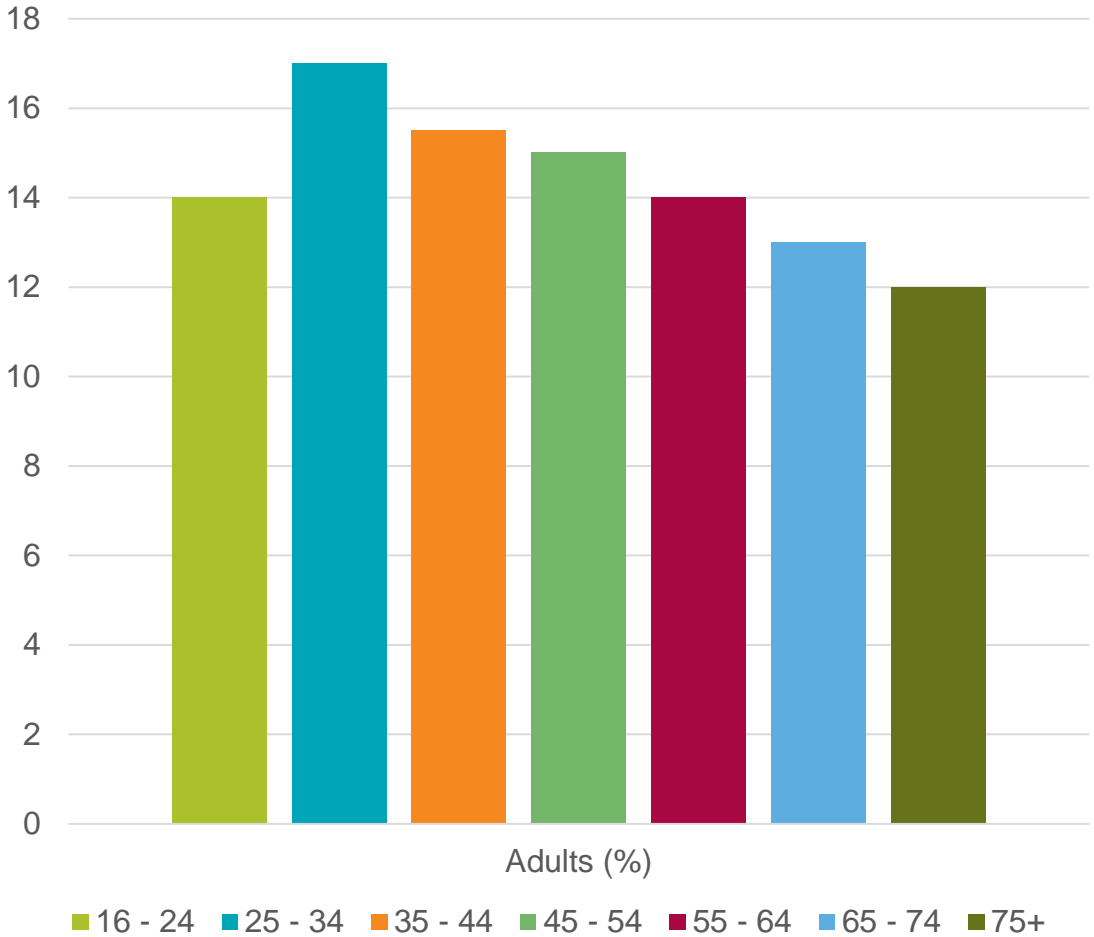


The results were spread across local authority areas

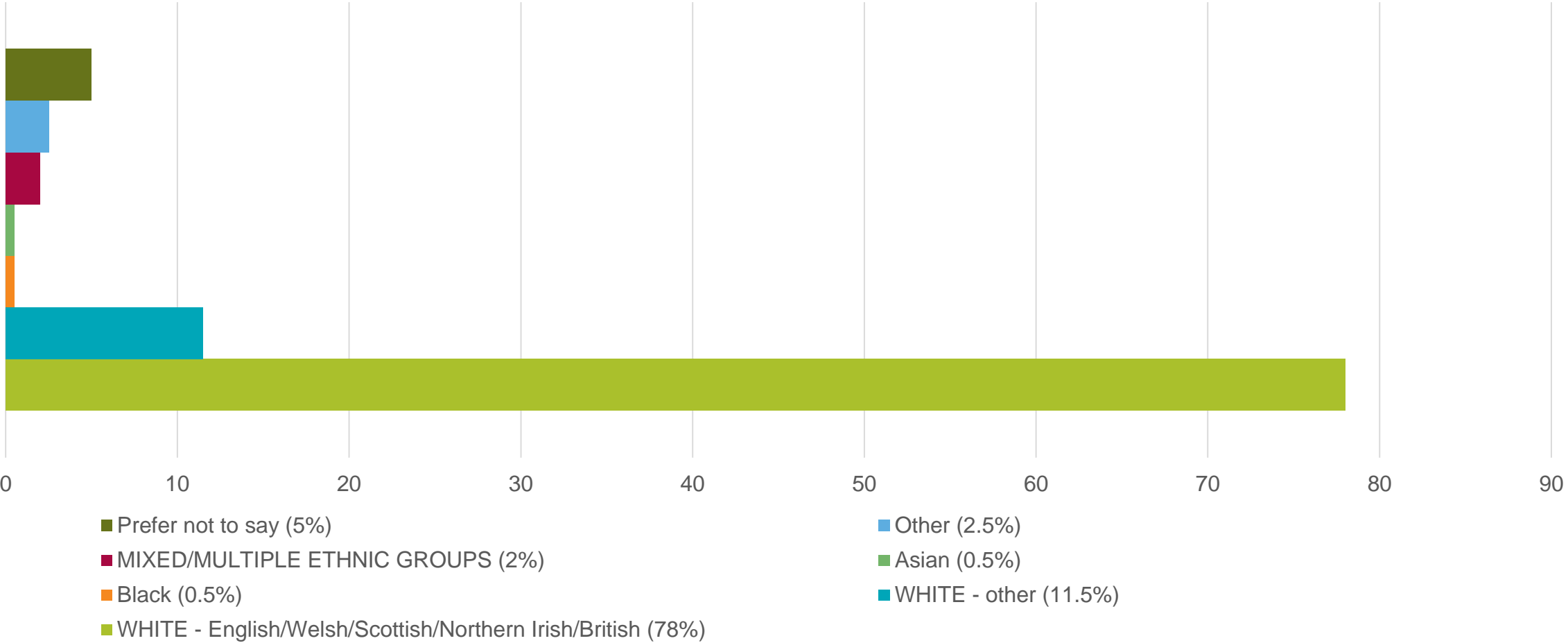
Gender



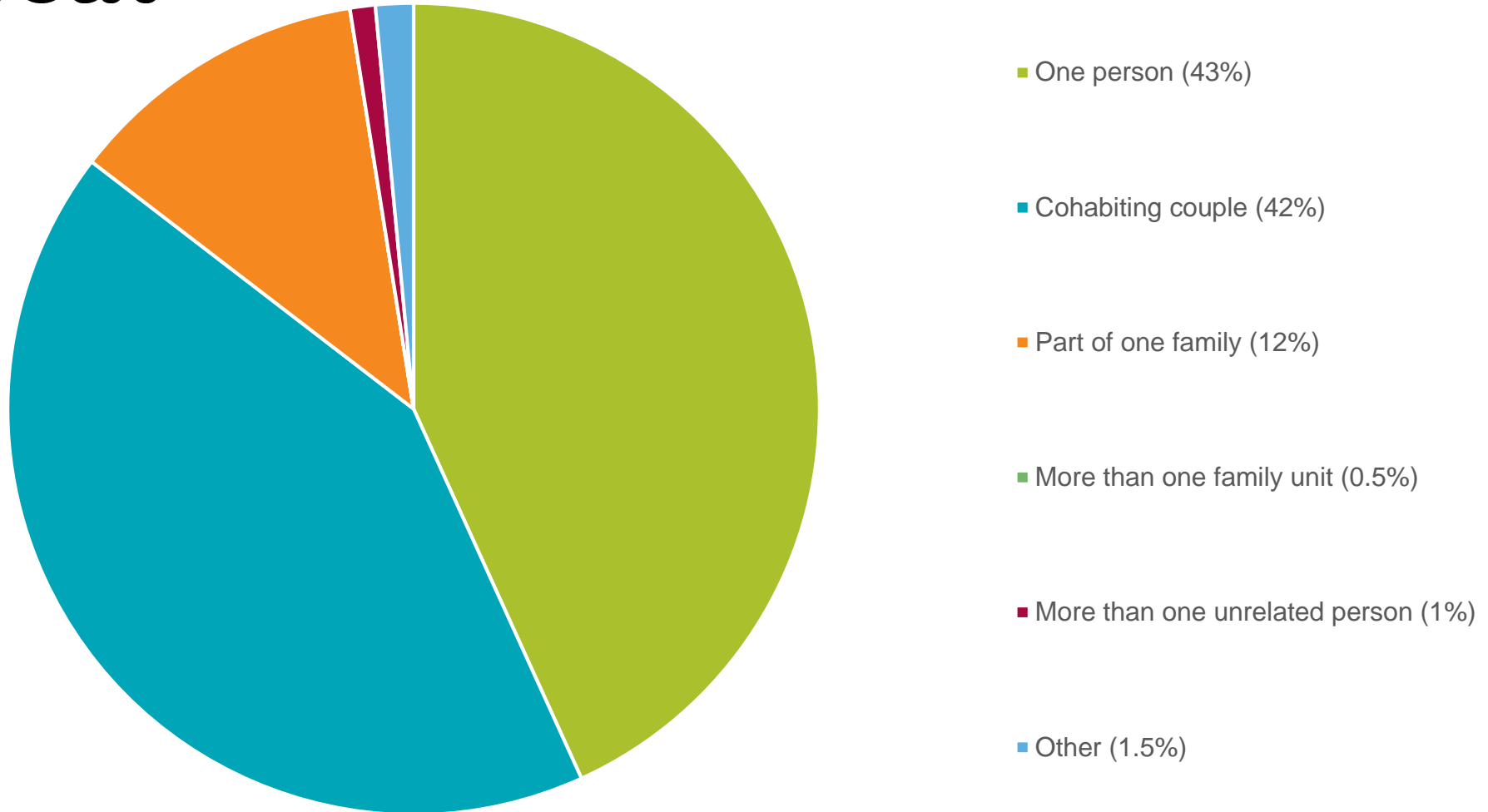
The age of people living on your boat?



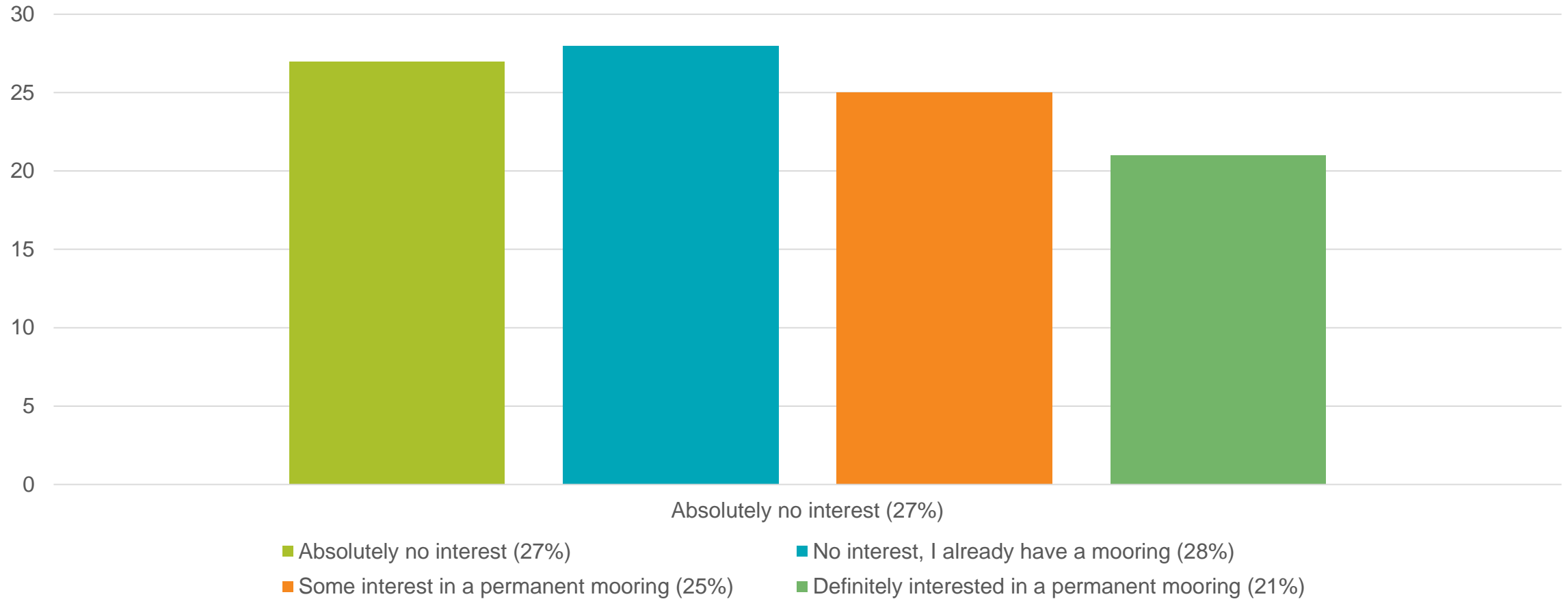
Ethnicity



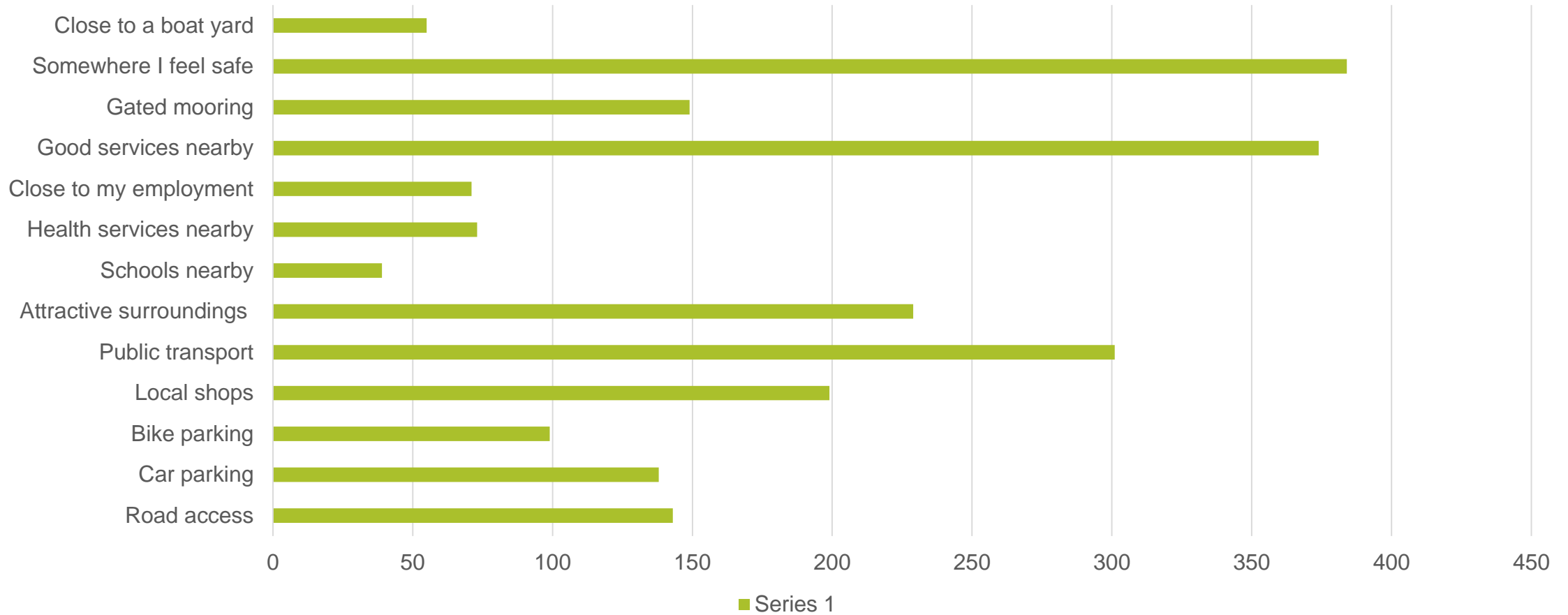
The relationship of the people living on your boat



How interested would be in taking a permanent / long-term mooring?



Important factors when choosing a permanent / long-term mooring



What does this mean for London?

- We've seen new boating communities emerge
- Places where there were once quiet with few boats, are now busy and active places
- The growth in boat numbers has put pressure on mooring space and facilities
- Increased number of boats also has implications for how the waterway can be used for different boating activities

A mooring strategy for London

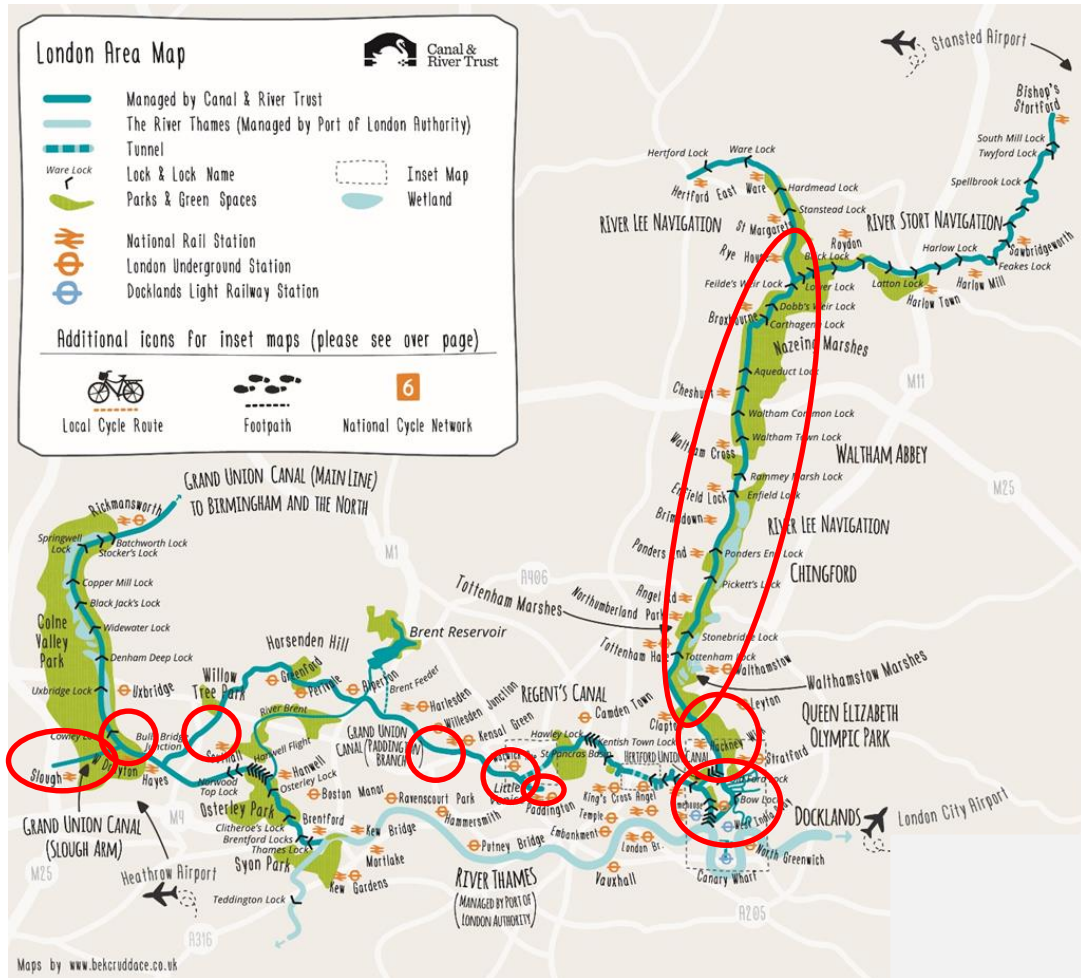
Improve the experience for boaters and of boating in London



A mooring strategy for London

- Short-term visitor moorings
- General tow path moorings (including facilities)
- Long term moorings
- Short term pre-bookable moorings
- Business boating
- Winter mooring strategy

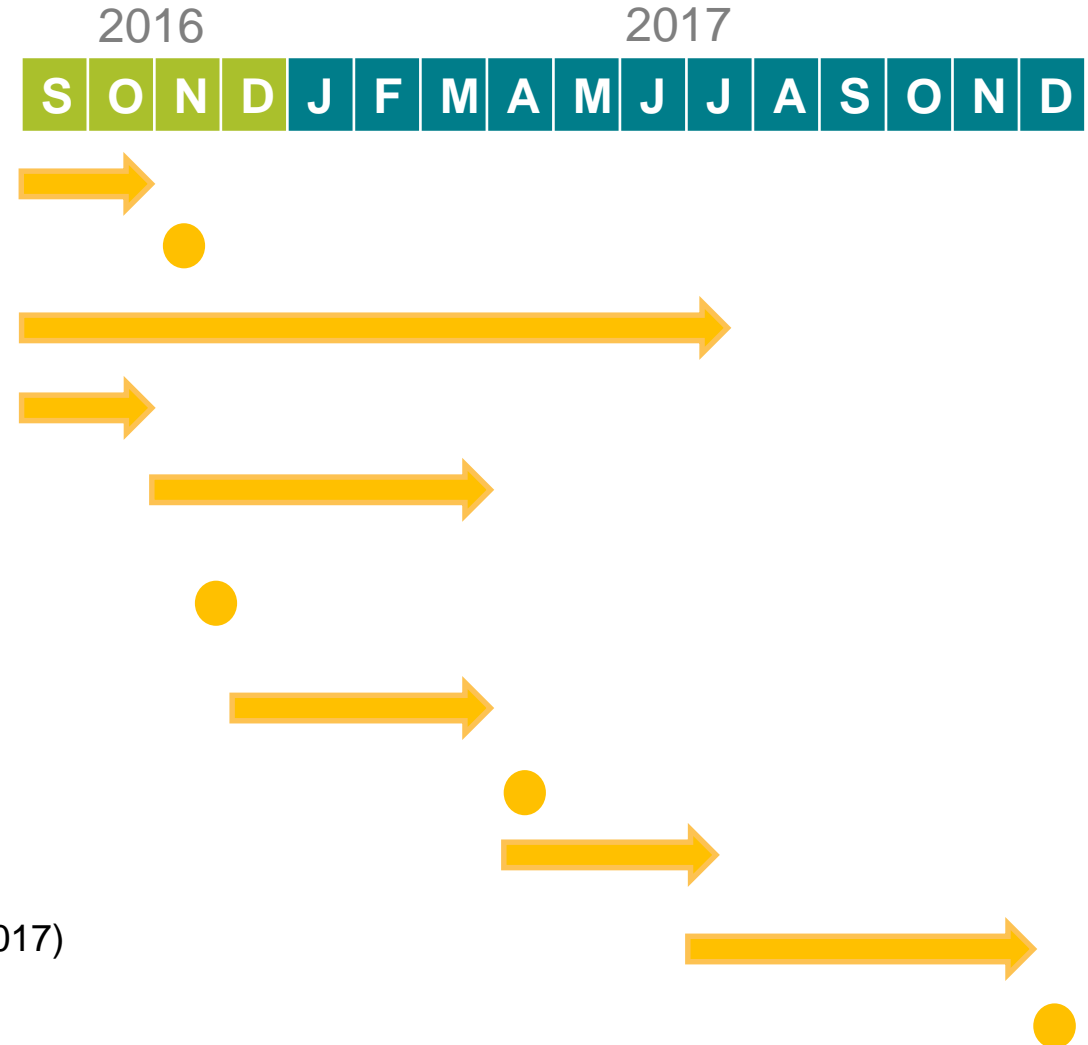
Where are the opportunities?



- Slough Arm
- Nestle site – Hayes
- Southall Gasworks site
- Old Oak Park Royal Development Corporation
- Little Venice / Paddington Basin / Docklands
- Limehouse Cut
- Lee Valley / Meridian Water

What's happening when?

- Boater survey undertaken (Sept/Oct 2016)
- Boater survey results published (Nov 2016)
- Pre-bookable mooring trial (late 2016 onwards)
- Reviewing existing mooring(Sept/Oct 2016)
- New London winter mooring offer (Oct/Nov 2016)
- Outline potential opportunities/options for moorings across London waterways (Nov/Dec 2016)
- Develop detailed proposals for moorings (Dec 2016 – March 2017)
- Publish draft strategy (Apr 2017)
- Consultation on draft strategy (Apr – Jun 2017)
- Review consultation / further development on strategy (Jul – Nov 2017)
- Final strategy published (Dec 2017)





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Working in Partnership

Sorwar Ahmed
London Boater Liaison Manager



Working together

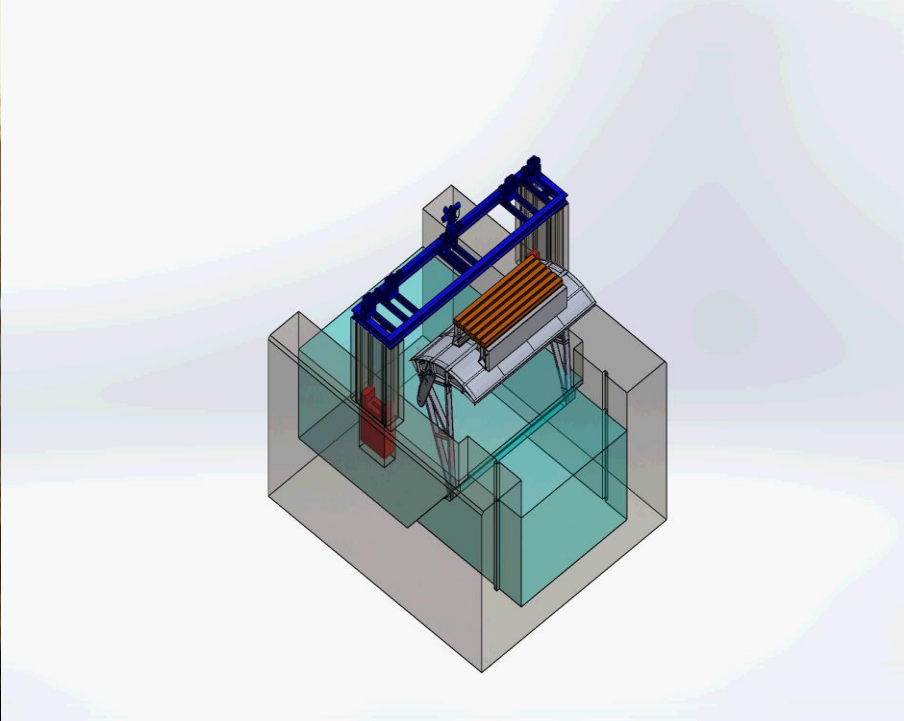
- Local partnership
- Environmental services
- Visitor destinations
- Community services
- Planning

Local partnership

Olympic Waterways Legacy Plan



Carpenter's Road Lock Restoration



Islington Visitor Mooring plan



Environmental services

- Environmental health
- Public education
- Joint refuse services
- Recycling services
- Sites for sanitation facilities
- Graffiti cleaning





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Sustainability

- Air quality
- Facilitating solar power
- Education



Kings Cross moorings



Little Venice

<https://youtu.be/hbtPbbtG5Kk> (1959)

https://youtu.be/09ACJ_0TumU (1963)



Community engagement & volunteering



Heritage Engagement Activity Plan



Waterway adoptions

Hillingdon Narrowboats
Association

Hanover School,
Islington

Lower Regent's Coalition

Bloomberg

Bishops Stortford
Baptist Church

Westminster Academy

Mace Ltd

Friends of Brent
Reservoir

Thames 21

BT

Liberty Global

Moo Canoes

Bow Baptist Church

IWA Branches

Bishops Stortford
Canoe Club

Stonebridge Lock Cafe

Active 360

Good Gym

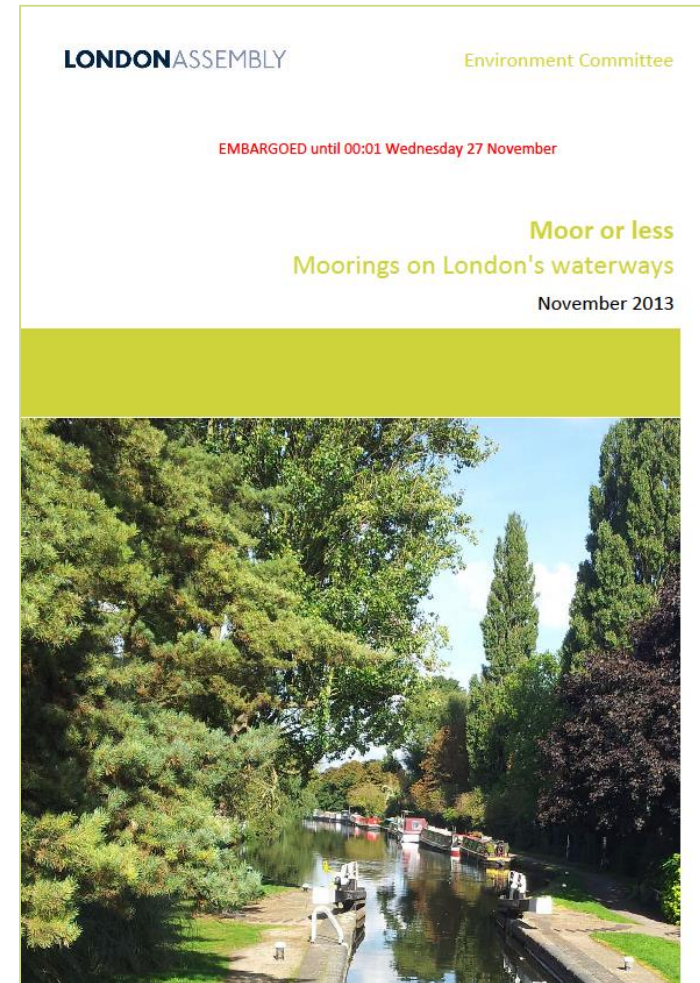
British Land

Friends of Slough
Canal

London Canal Volunteers

GLA 'Moor or Less' Report 2013

- Environment Committee 'rapportage' led by Baroness Jenny Jones
- Investigation into the provision of moorings in London and their environmental impact
- Evidence from users, boating groups, local authorities and navigation authorities



GLA Moor or Less Report 2013

Recommendation 2:

- Planning authorities should use the development control process to **ensure that waterside developments enhance and do not detract from the waterways and their uses, including residential mooring use.**

Recommendation 2 (cont'd):

- **The Mayor should**, in the next set of amendments to the London Plan, more fully reflect the residential value of London's waterways, and **include a policy to increase the number of moorings.**

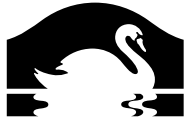
Facilitating moorings

- Identifying new sites
- Utilising waterside frontages
- Provision in new development
- Access over public or private land
- Serviced sites or basic
- Range of management models



Finding the right solutions in partnership





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Questions?





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Break

There will be 2 minutes silence at 11am





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Making the most of waterways in your area

Table discussions – See name badge
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