

# Amherstburg Heritage Survey

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## **SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT**

12 April 2024 - 22 May 2024

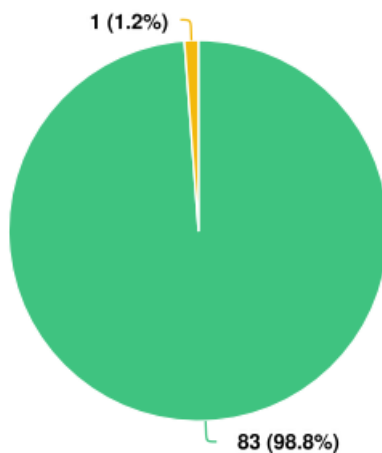
### **PROJECT NAME:**

Heritage Conservation District Study



SURVEY QUESTIONS

**Q1 | Do you live in Amherstburg?**

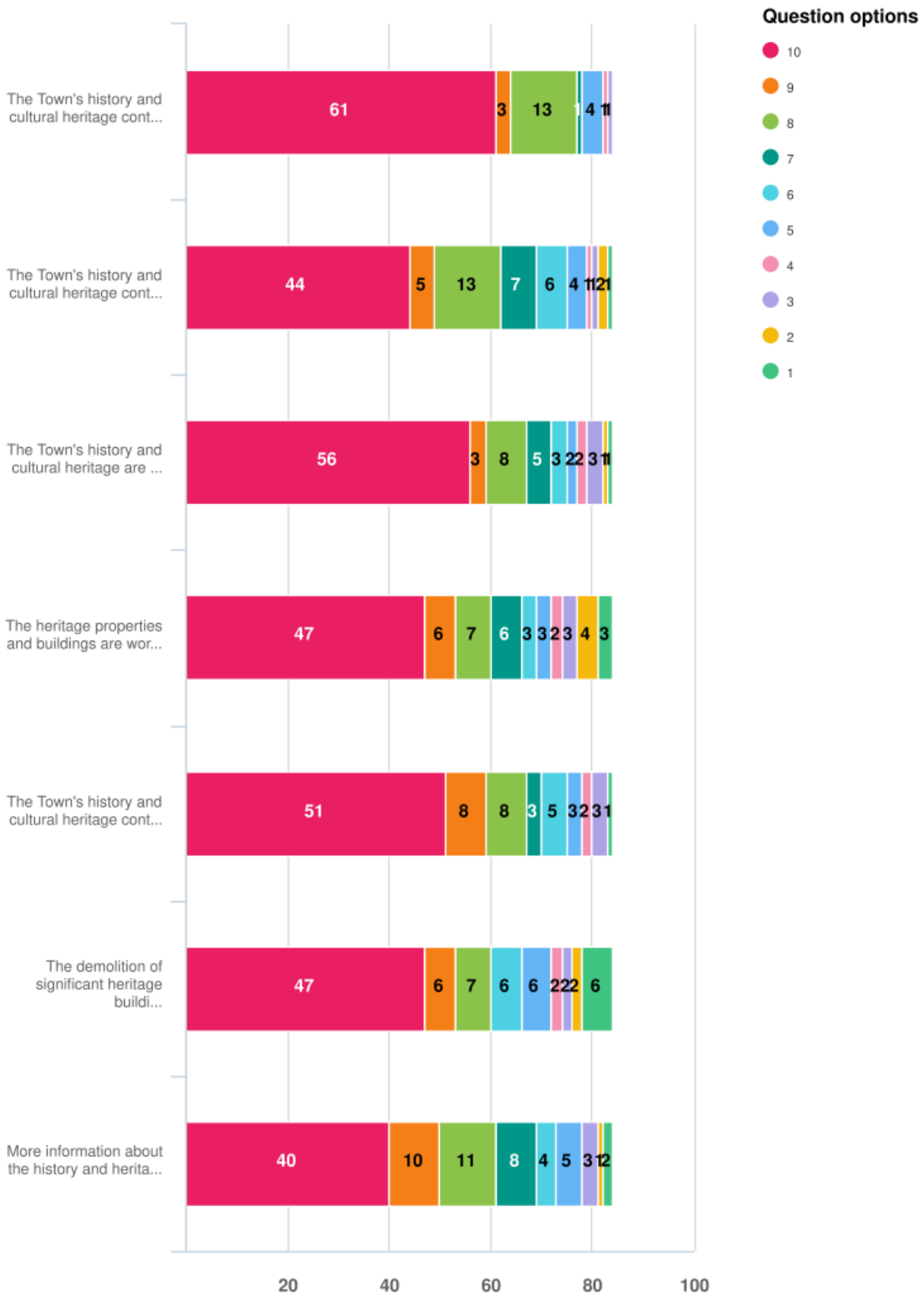


**Question options**

- Yes
- No

*Mandatory Question (84 response(s))  
Question type: Radio Button Question*

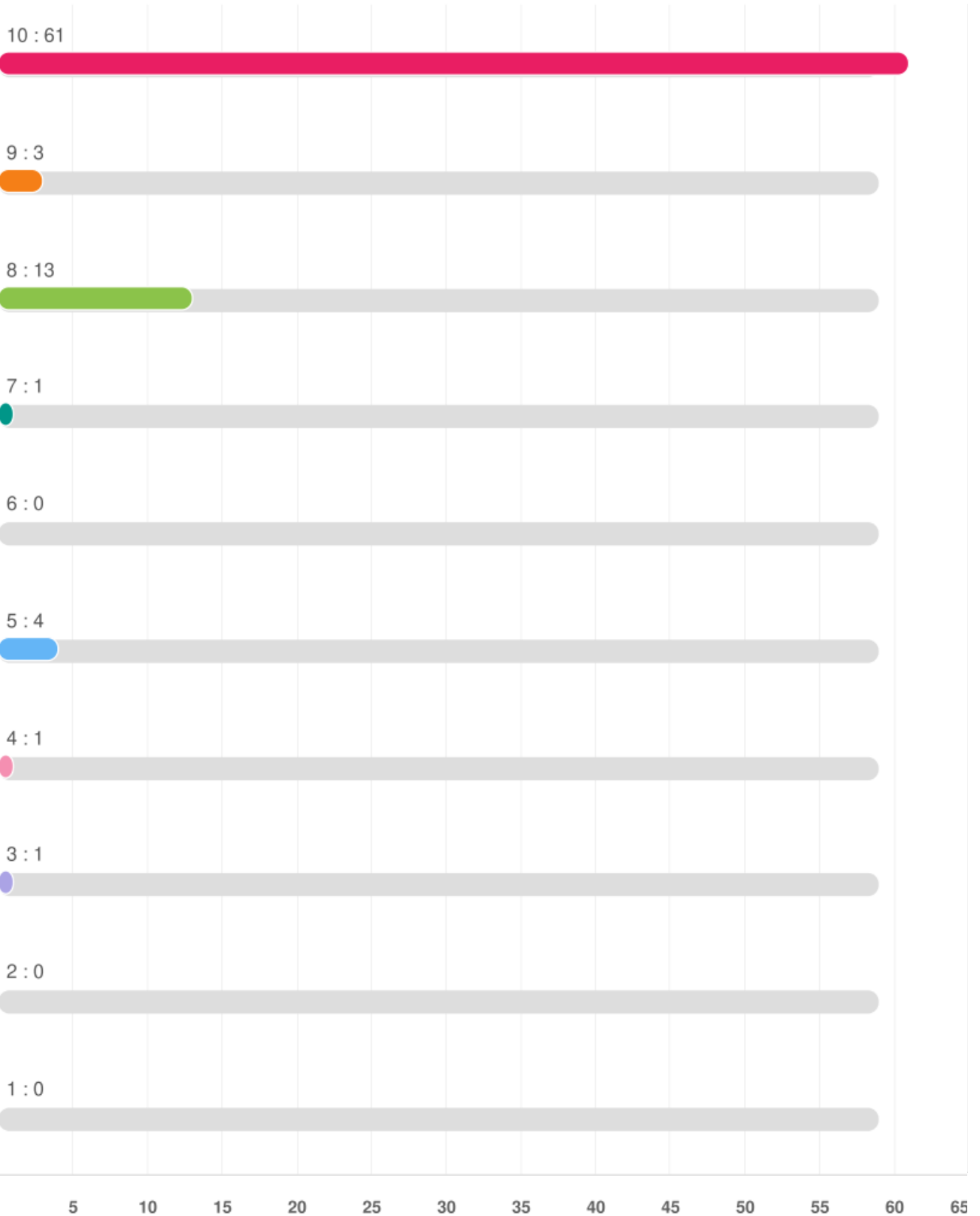
**Q2 Amherstburg's History and Cultural Heritage. 1 = Disagree, 10 = Agree**



Mandatory Question (84 response(s))  
Question type: Likert Question

**Q2 | Amherstburg's History and Cultural Heritage.1 = Disagree, 10 = Agree**

**The Town's history and cultural heritage contribute to Amherstburg's unique sense of place.**





### The Town's history and cultural heritage contribute to Amherstburg's economy.

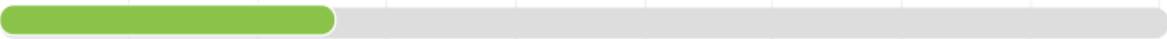
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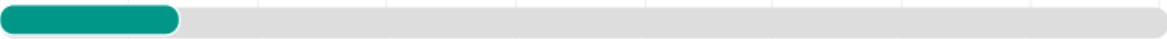
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### The Town's history and cultural heritage are worth investing in.

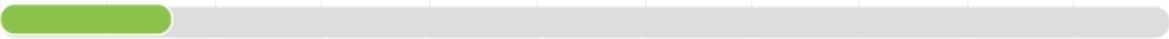
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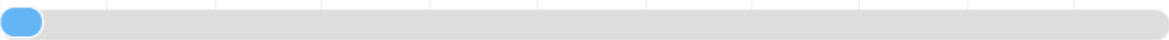
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### The heritage properties and buildings are worth protected from demolition.

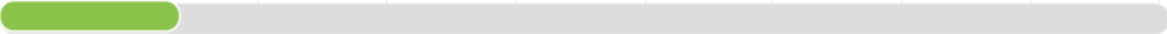
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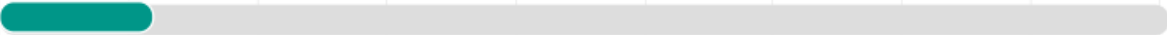
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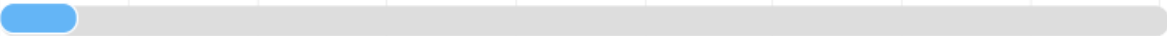
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### The Town's history and cultural heritage contribute to our sense of community.

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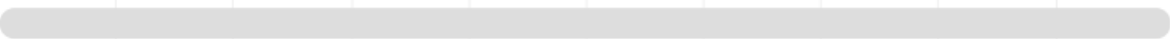
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**The demolition of significant heritage buildings would have a negative impact on the community.**

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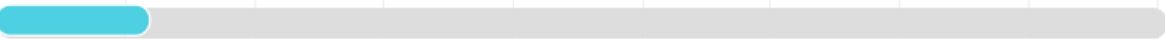
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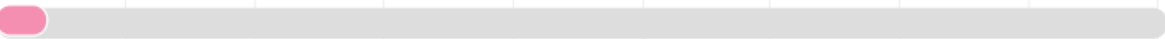
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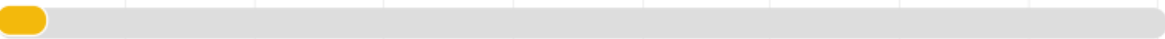
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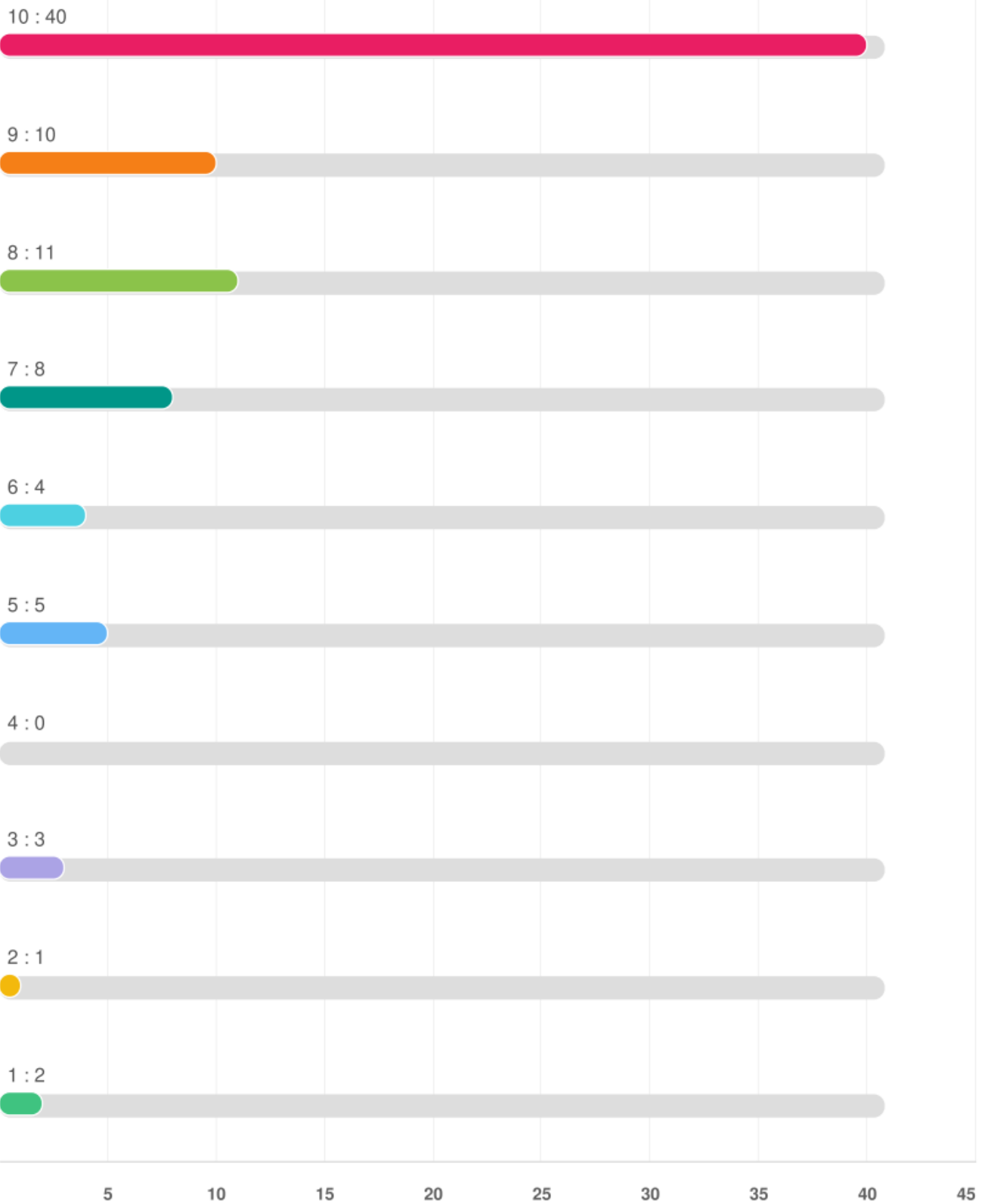


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**More information about the history and heritage culture of Amherstburg would be beneficial.**



**Q3 Heritage Conservation District.1 = Disagree, 10 = Agree**



Mandatory Question (84 response(s))  
Question type: Likert Question

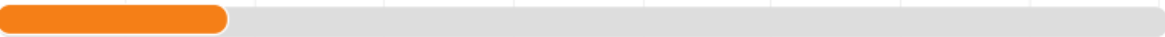
**Q3 | Heritage Conservation District.1 = Disagree, 10 = Agree**

**I understanding what a Heritage Conservation District is?**

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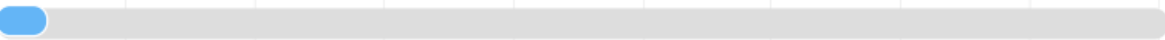
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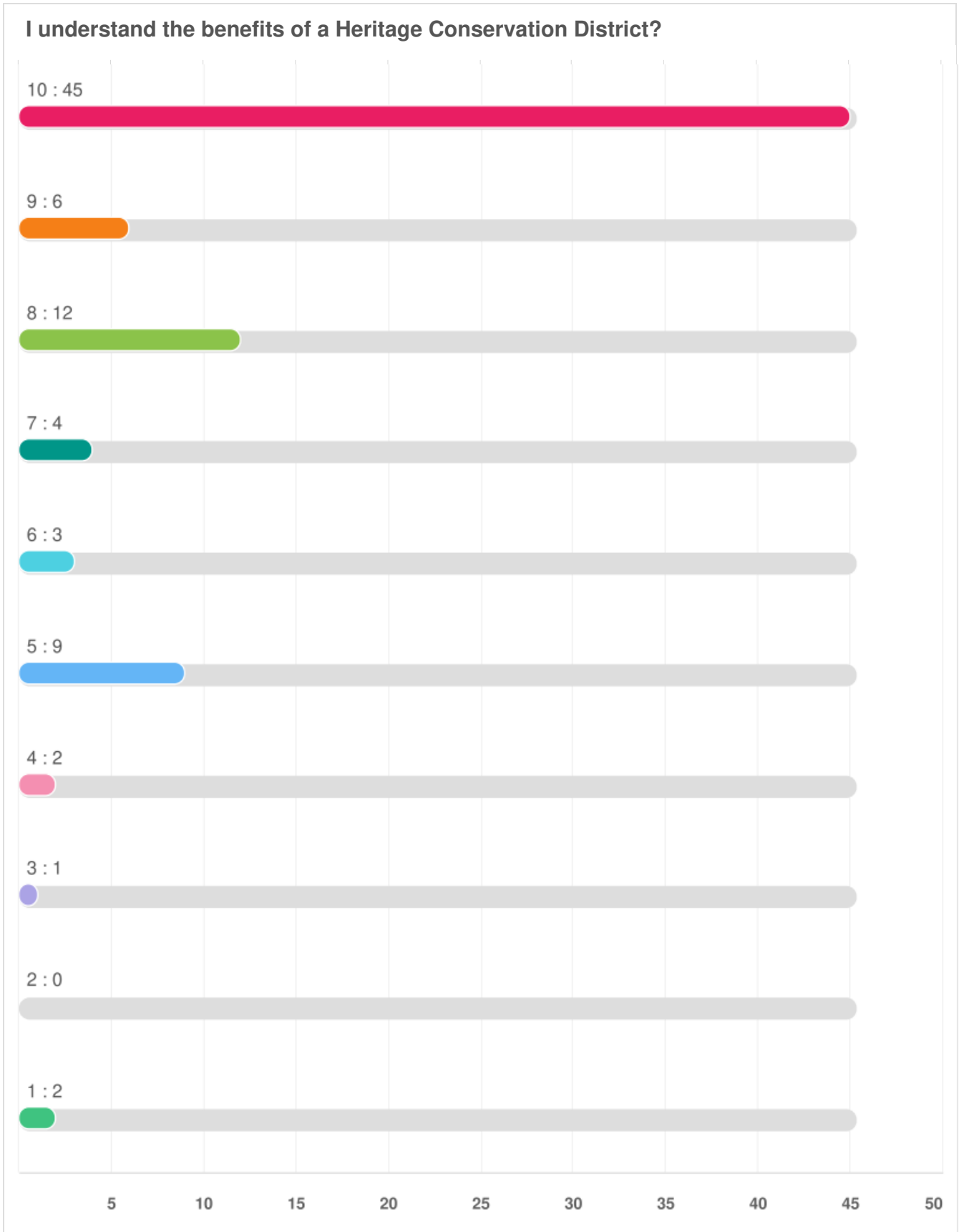
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**I welcome the HCD Study in order to determine if a Heritage District is appropriate in Amherstburg.**

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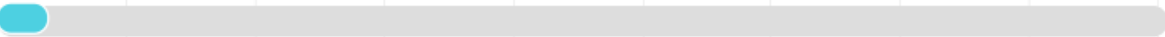
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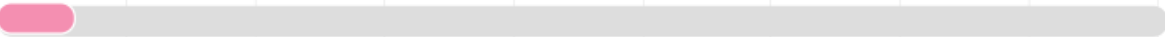
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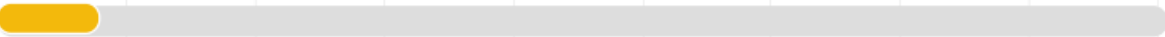
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### I encourage growth in our community?

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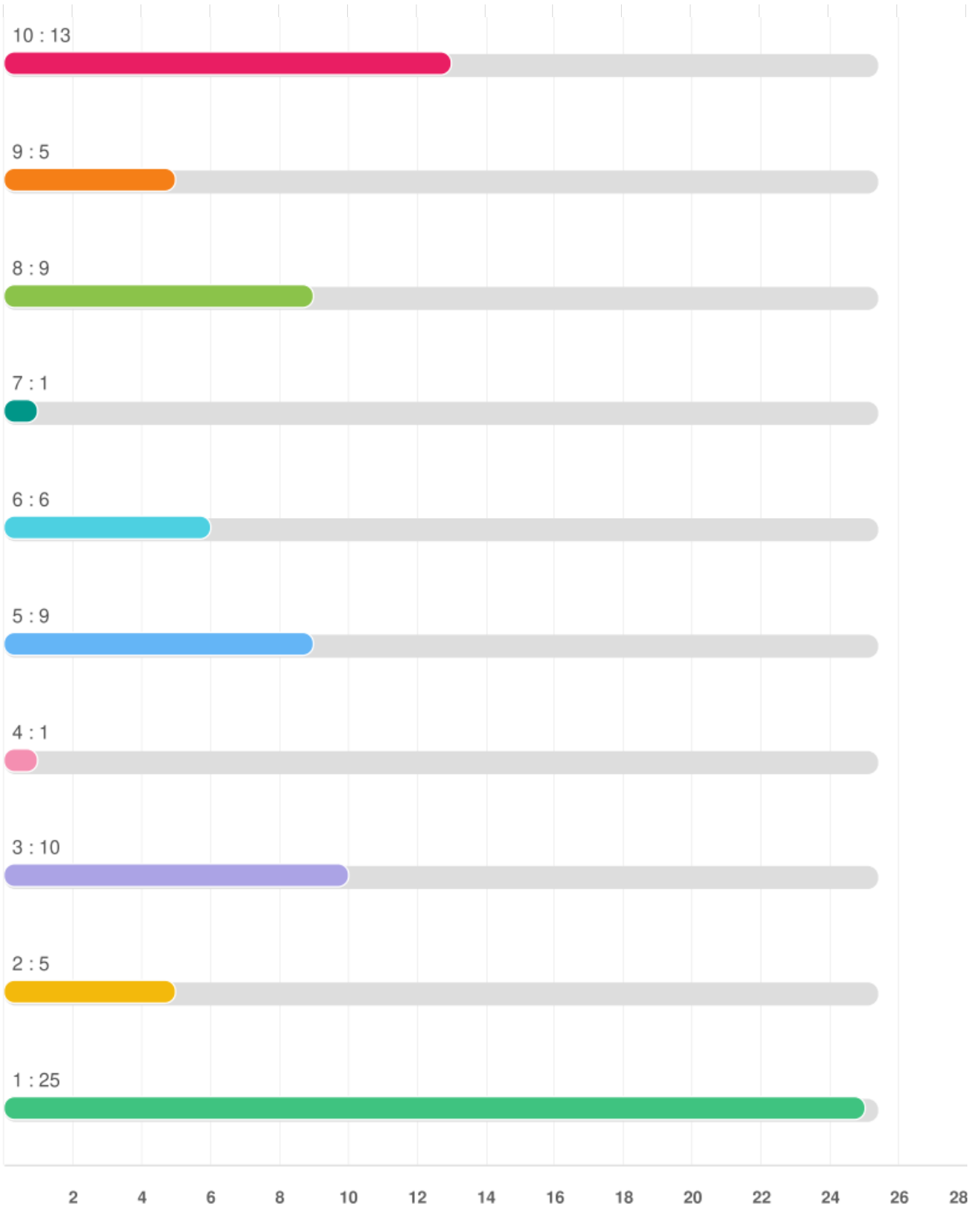


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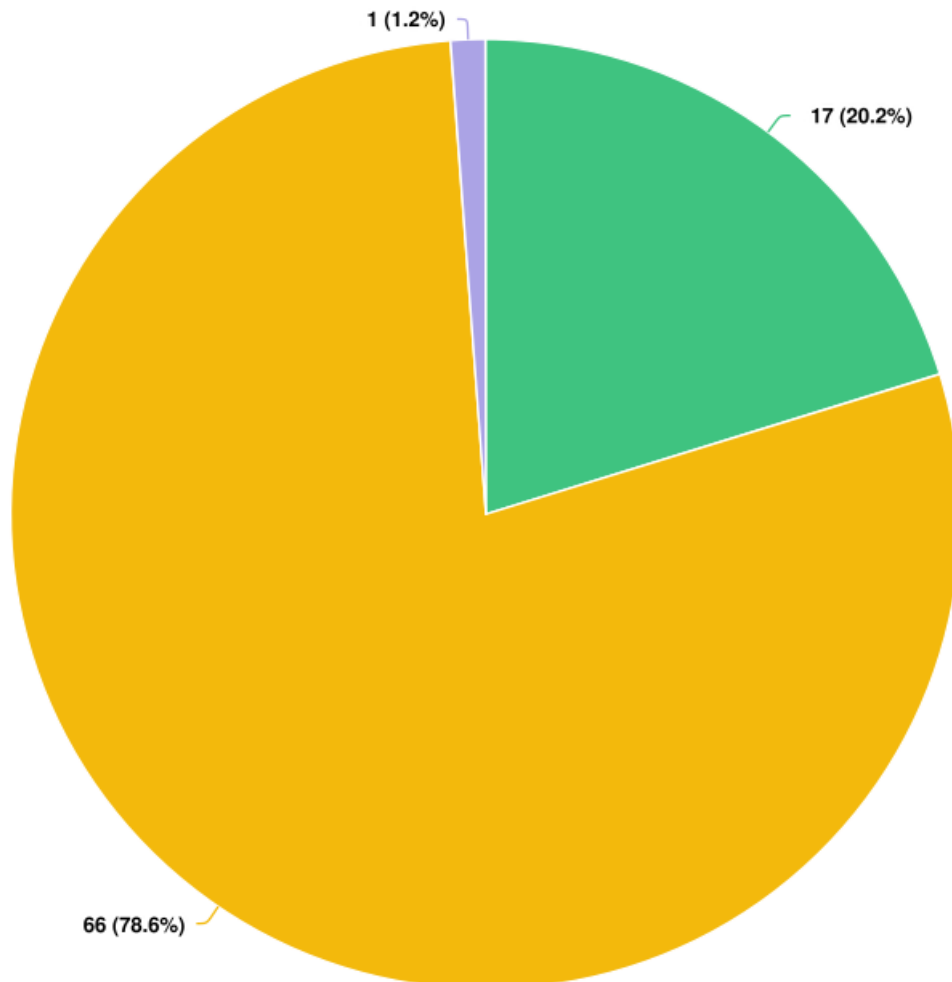
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**I am concerned that a Heritage Conservation District will stop construction projects in the district.**



**Q4**  
in the HCD Study Area?

Do you live

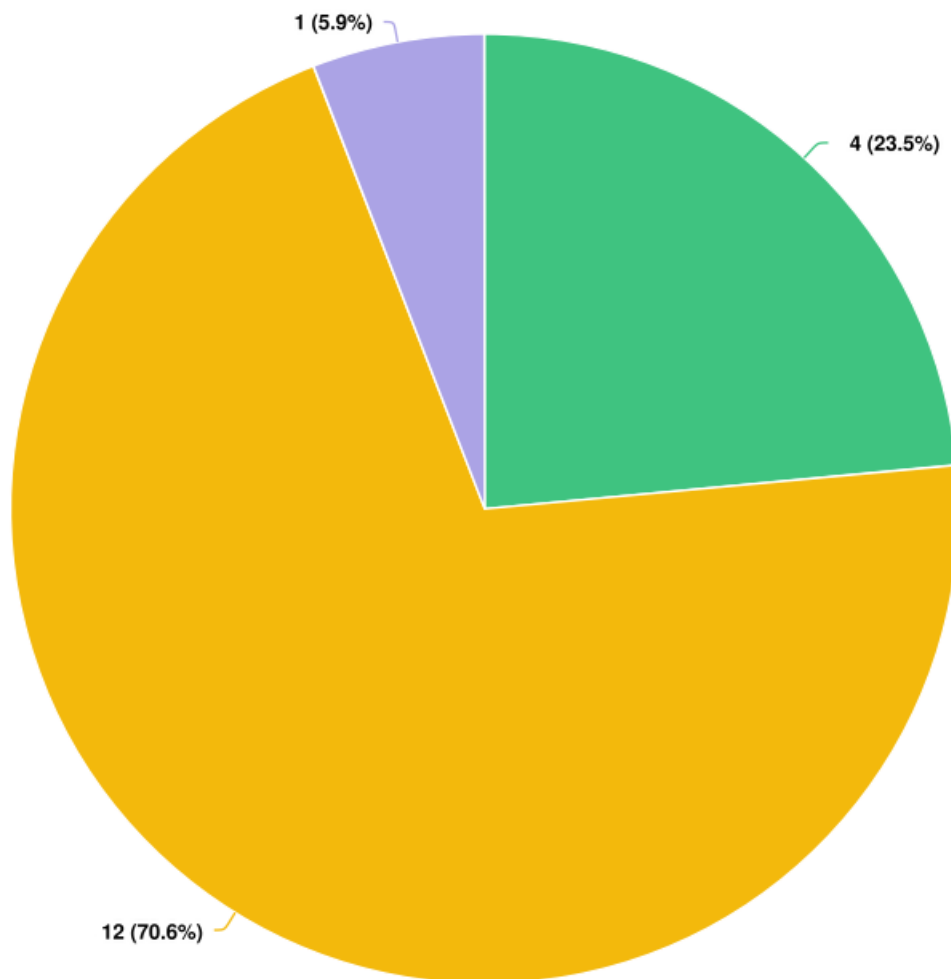


**Question options**

- Unsure
- No
- Yes

Mandatory Question (84 response(s))  
Question type: Radio Button Question

**Q5 | Do you have concerns about owning property within a potential Heritage Conservation District?**



**Question options**

- I don't know
- No
- Yes

*Optional question (17 response(s), 67 skipped)  
Question type: Radio Button Question*

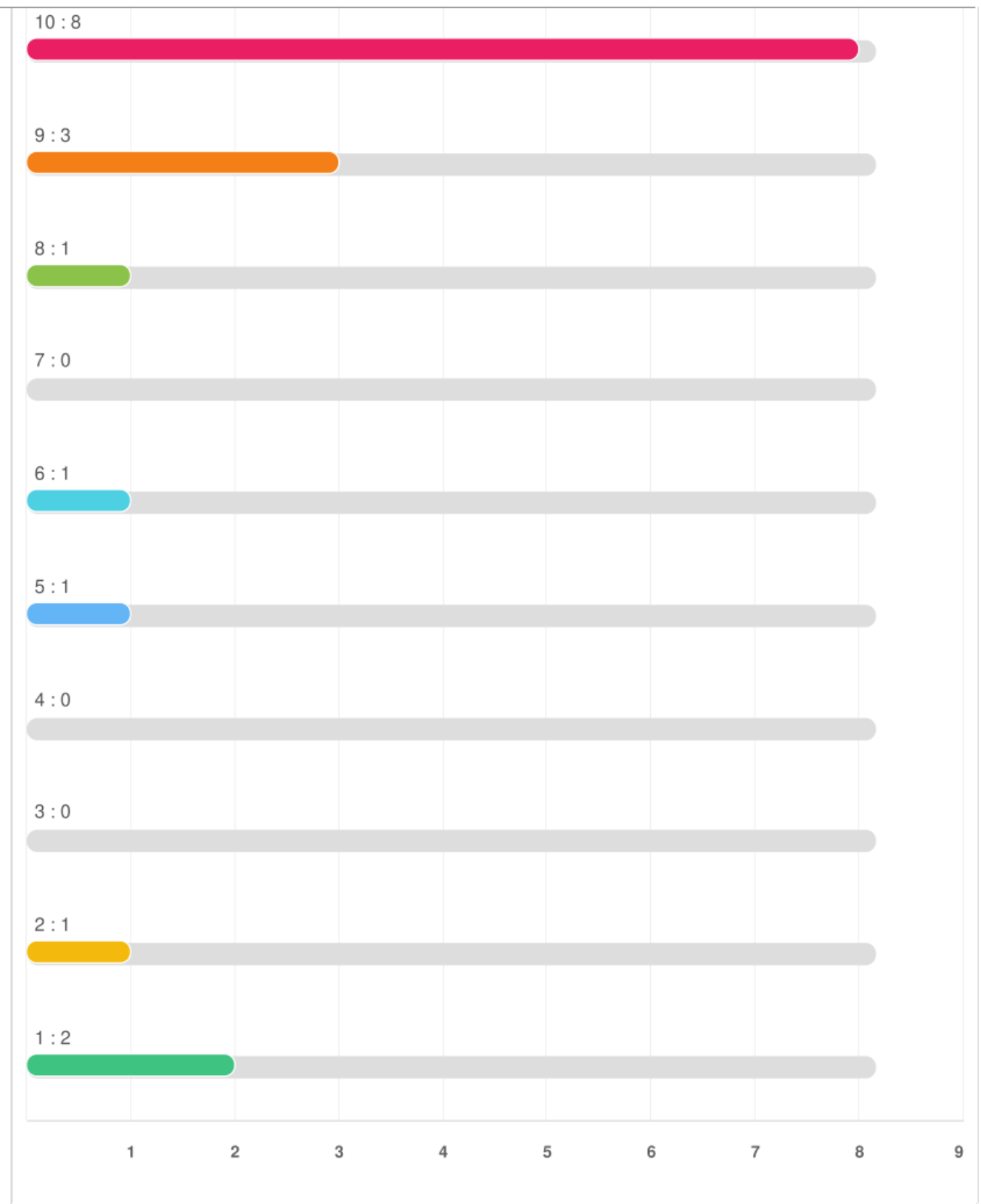
**Q6** In your opinion, what concerns you about designating a Heritage Conservation District in Amherstburg? 1 = Definitely Concerned, 10 = Definitely Not Concerned

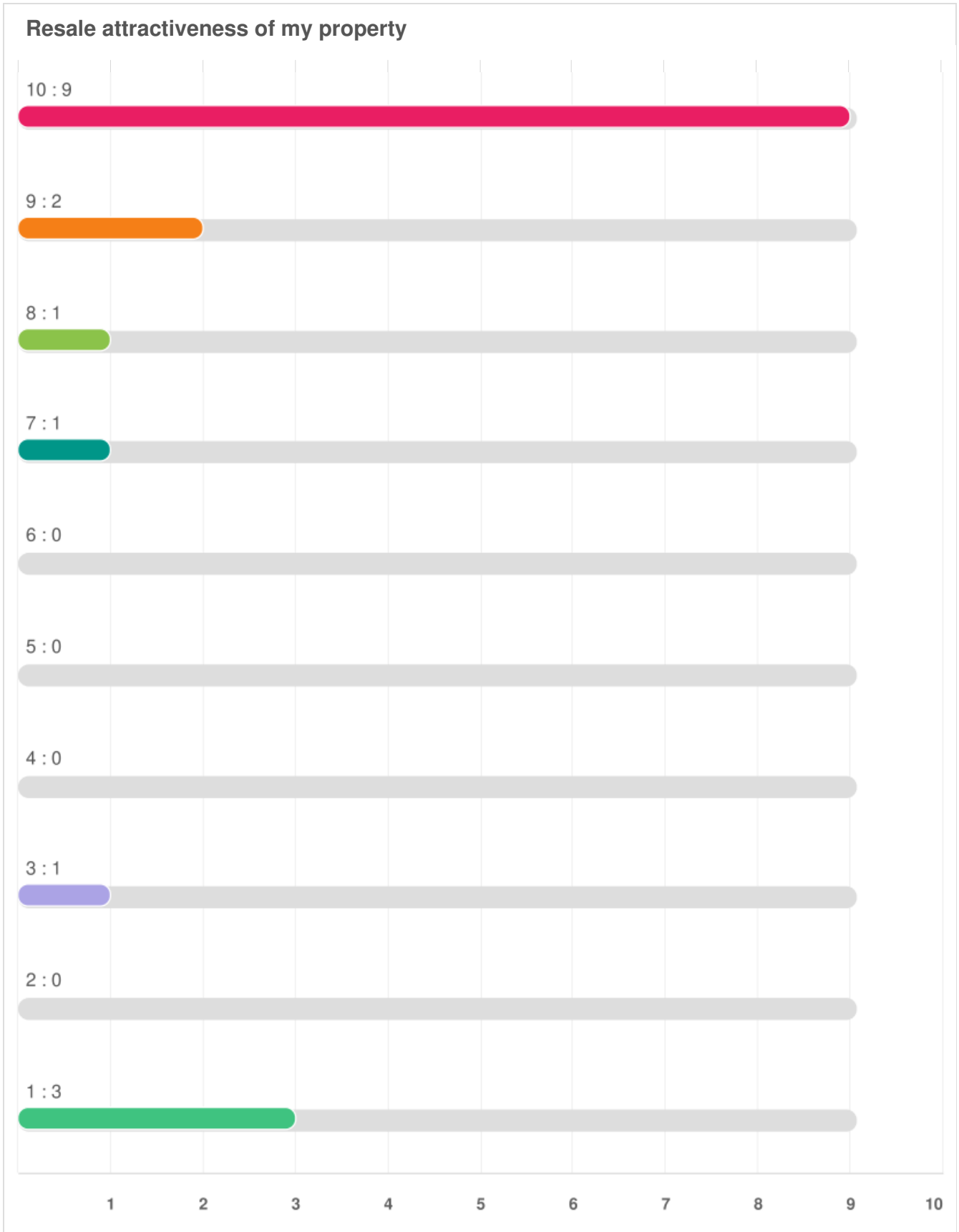


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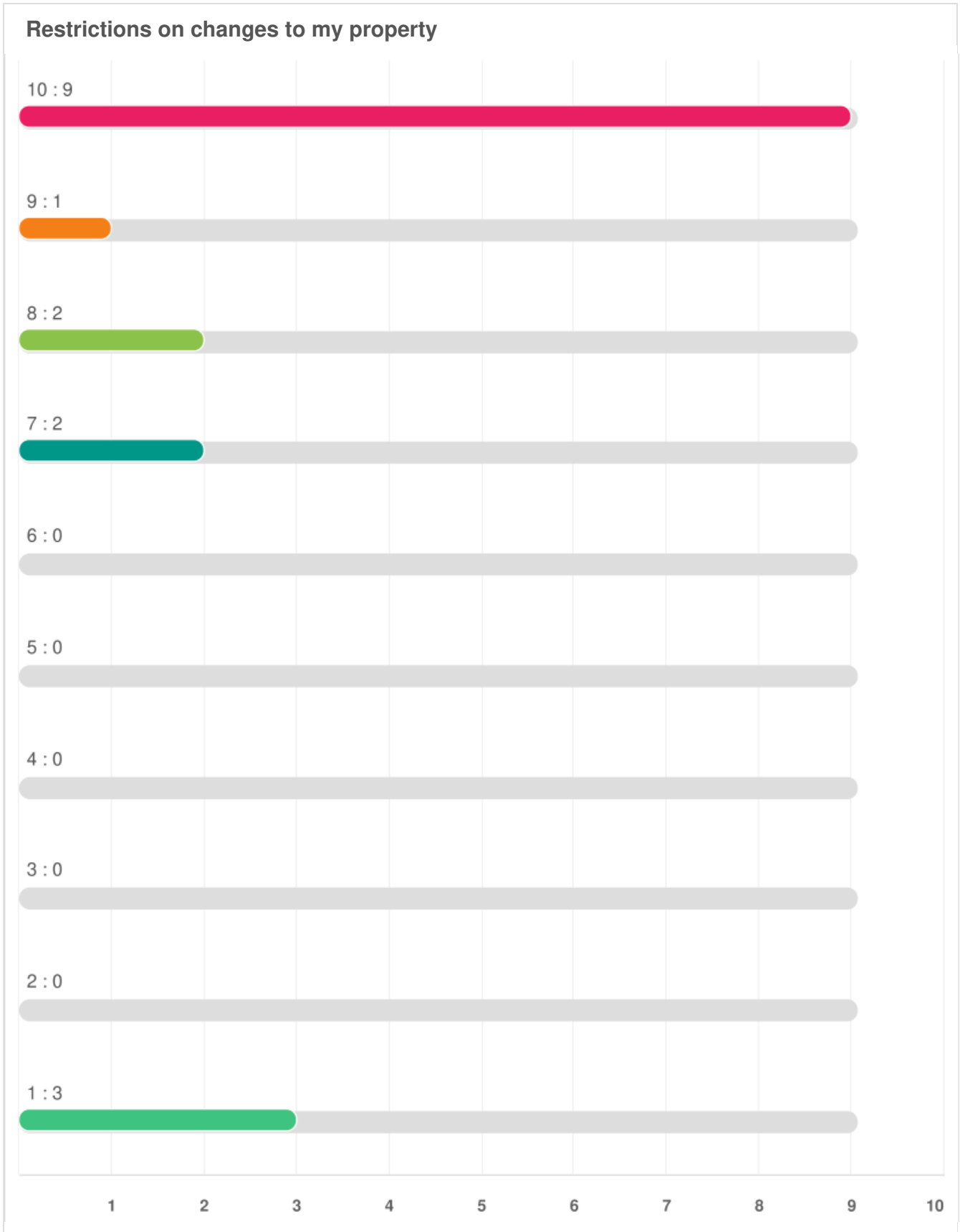
**Q6 | In your opinion, what concerns you about designating a Heritage Conservation District in Amherstburg? 1 = Definitely Concerned, 10 = Definitely Not Concerned**

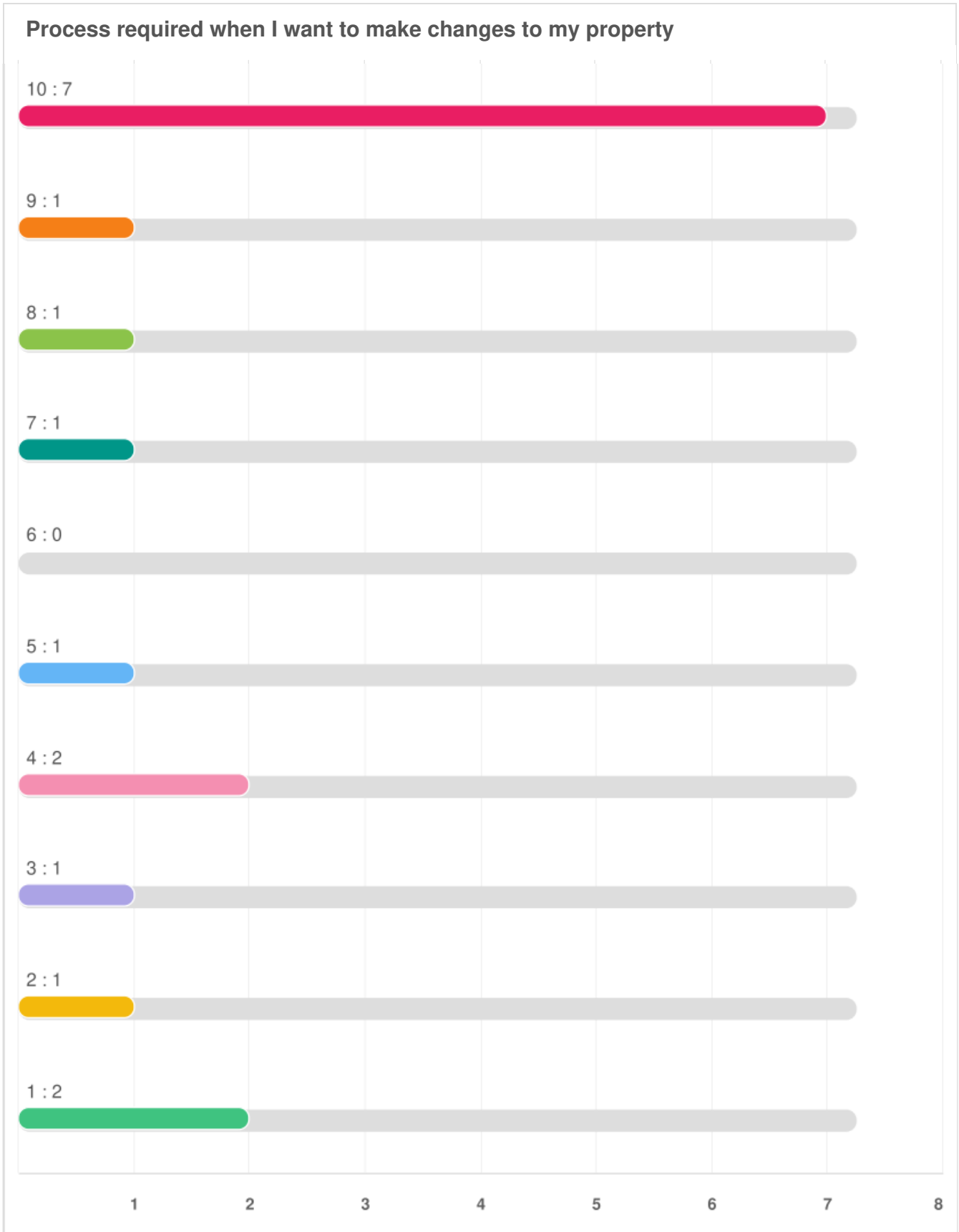
**Property Value impacts**

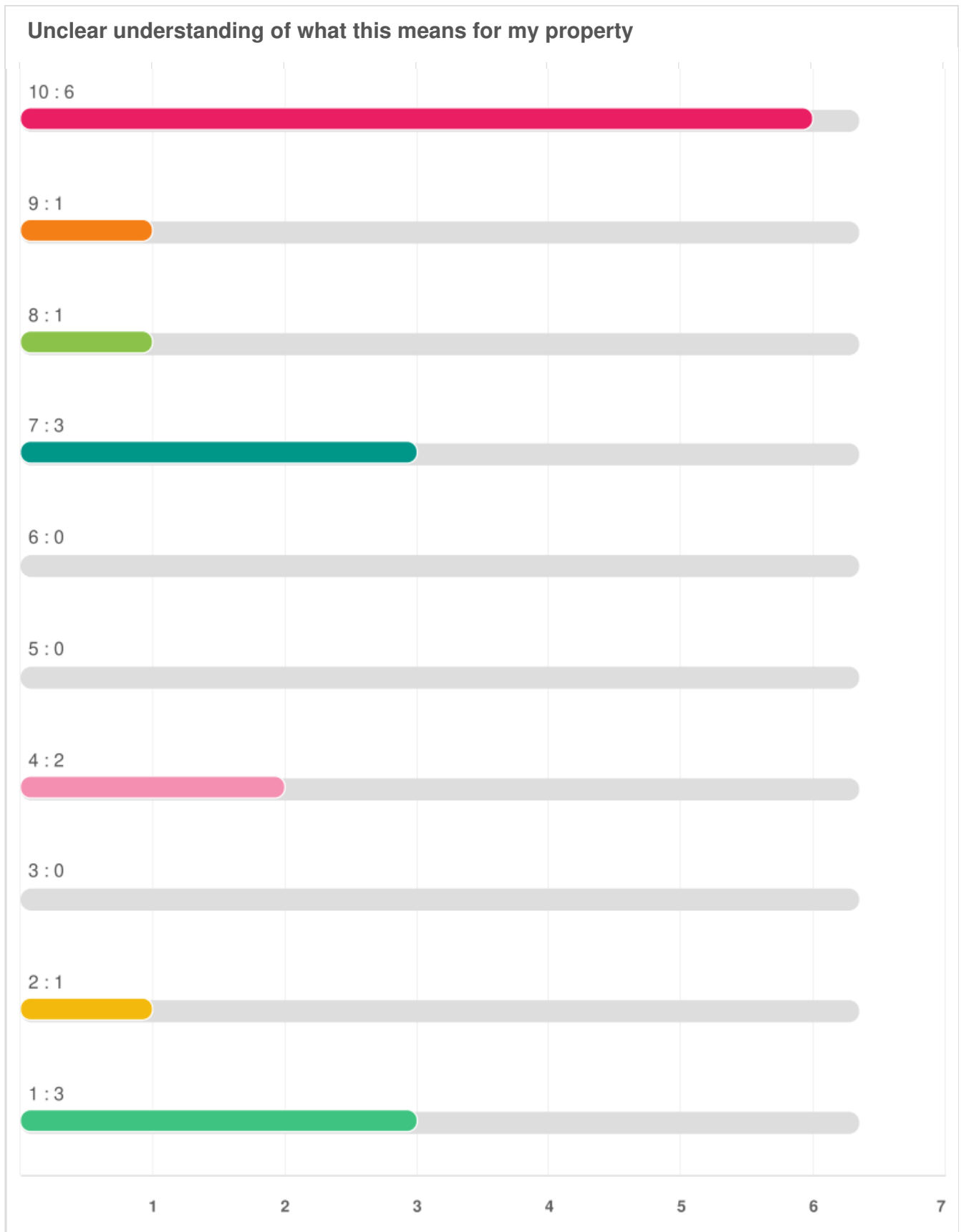


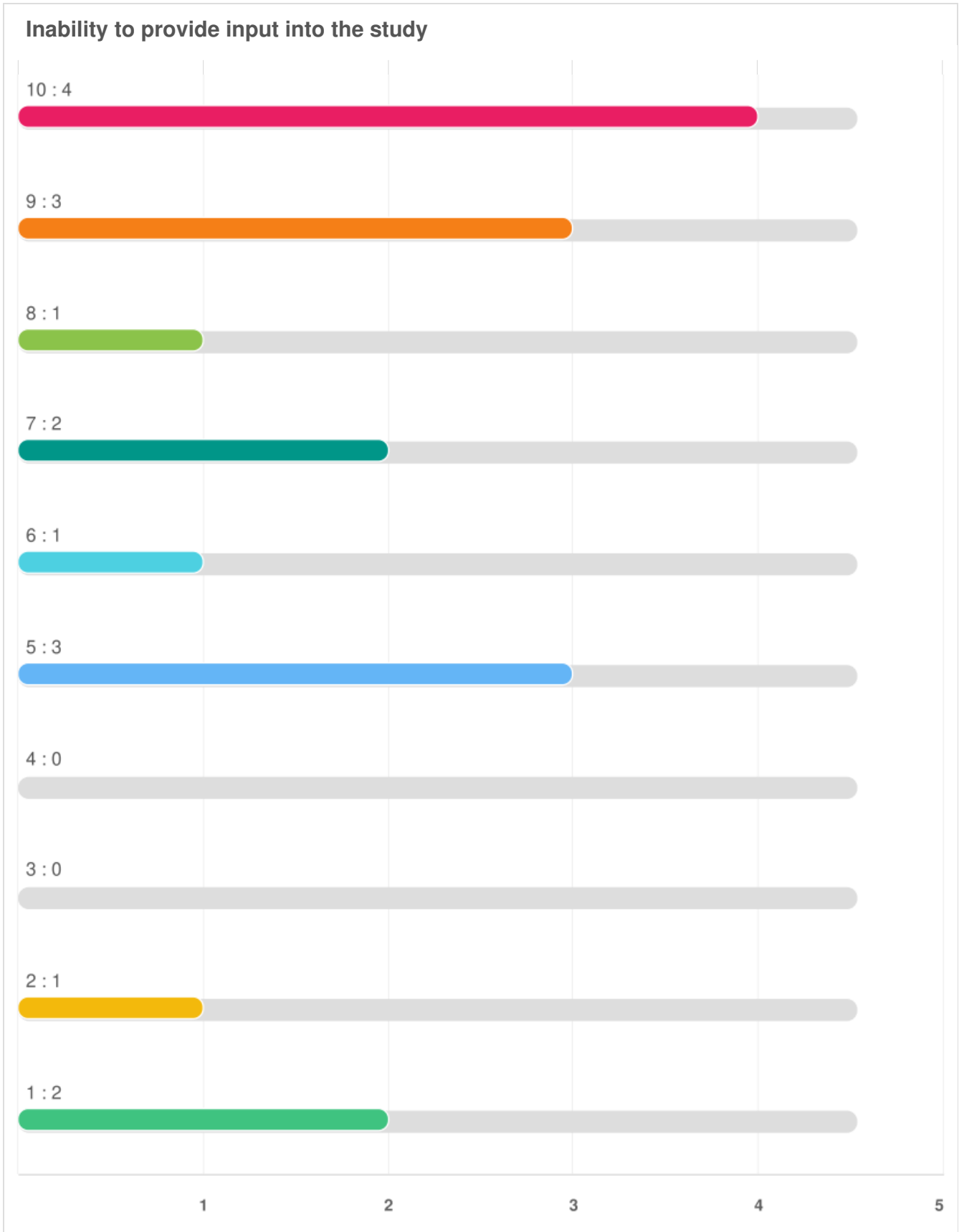


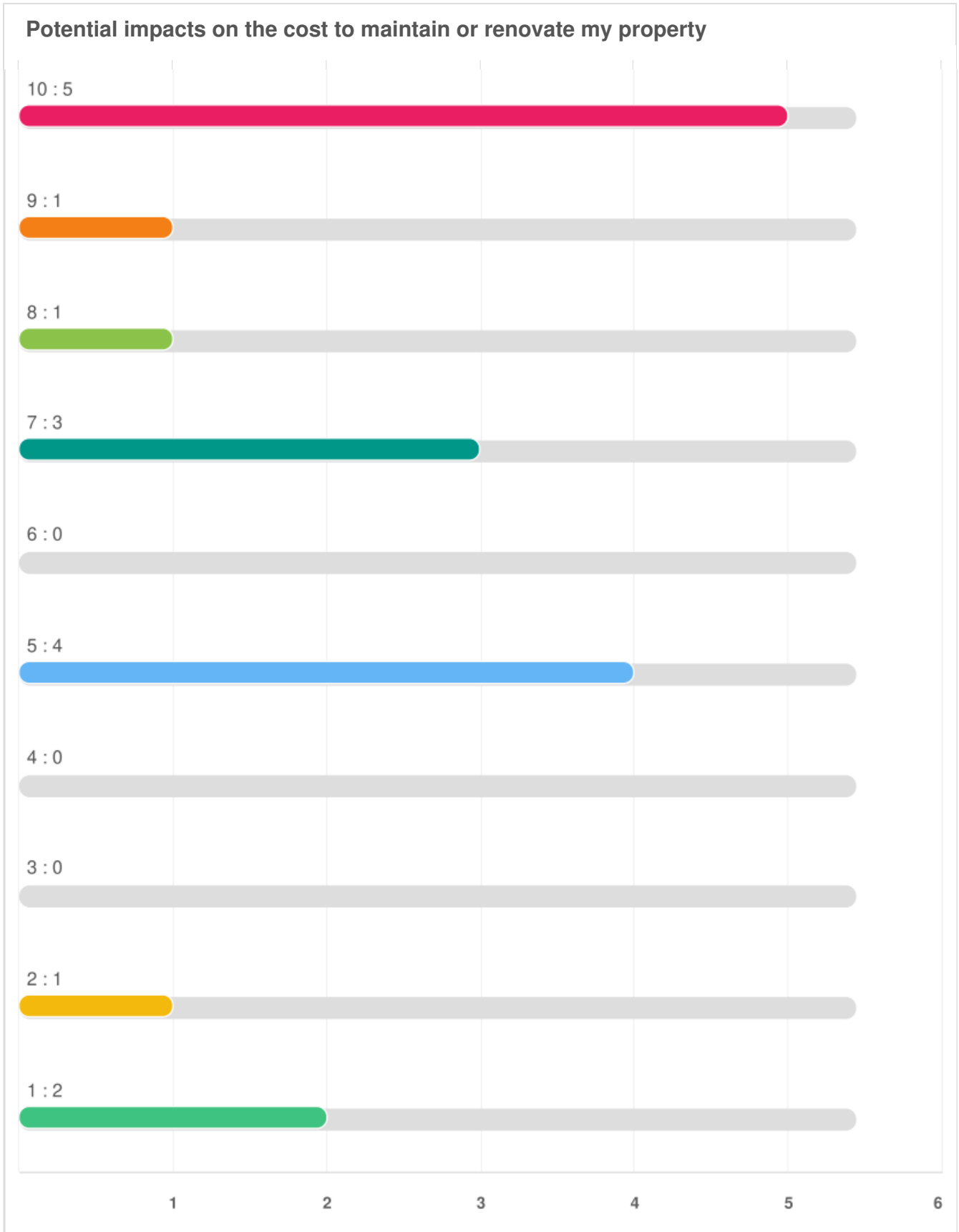












**Q7 | Do you have other concerns or comments?**

4/15/2024 06:50 PM

If you do not think you are adding red tape, costs and time you are kidding yourself when you select and designate random buildings to be designated heritage, yes some should receive the designation, others are just old and have no intrinsic value, peace!

4/15/2024 07:00 PM

I think an HCD for Amherstburg is very much needed and overdue. This is really important for a town whose economy is based on tourism and heritage. I don't think two separate HCDs are needed; one large HCD would be better and much quicker to protect.

4/15/2024 07:46 PM

Why are properties north of North St. not in heritage area.

4/15/2024 08:21 PM

Maintaining a heritage property is a concern, however one that we embrace

4/15/2024 09:35 PM

Concerned about the cost of continuous studies and how the town determines what to protect and promote and how.

4/16/2024 01:50 AM

More red tape, more bureaucracy that we don't need.

4/16/2024 06:53 AM

Rename, Historical Conservation Structures ? HCD should be based on the building itself (not the surrounding area). Its crazy to expect limitations to how I can build on my own property. Building inspections and permits should be the only considerations.

4/16/2024 10:28 AM

no

4/16/2024 12:10 PM

spending tax dollars on heritage buildings "just because" should be minimized. Fundraisers are OK, but no blank cheques from council. Remember HMS Detroit (ha ha).

4/16/2024 12:35 PM

My biggest concern is the properties outside the area that will be impacted under Bill 23. I understand that boundary lines are likely as they are because a certain percentage of the properties need to fall

within designation parameters.

4/16/2024 09:21 PM

This why i move to amhersburg because of its history and the look that its trying to have. In Michigan there is alot of town like amhersburg. In ontario we are lacking this. There is way to modernize the history building.

4/16/2024 10:17 PM

I think destroying any heritage buildings would harm Amherstburg residents tremendously. Losing access to these buildings is heart wrenching to me, the Loss of access to boblo in a similar vain was a huge issue for me as boblo was huge to amherstburg,

4/17/2024 10:17 AM

Progress doesn't mean losing historical identity. I believe it is important to keep cultural and historical building, etc. in the town, provided they can be safely preserved. I applaud council's efforts to do this. Please stay progressive.

4/17/2024 12:21 PM

the charm of the core area is the old buildings. the kirstens set the tone with their renovations. walking down murray st. from ramsay to dalhousie is like being in a comfortable den. please make it the anchor district.

4/17/2024 02:08 PM

How these designations would impact the town plan along with the upcoming traffic plan. Also how will the town incentivize this to property owners who may need assistance if they need to make changes to their property in the future, ex. new windows or pug

4/17/2024 08:47 PM

A Heritage District will help foster economic growth, community engagement and pride. We love to travel to small towns and enjoy their heritage and downtown areas. I am excited for this initiative in our community.

4/18/2024 05:10 AM

Heritage and its preservation is OK, as long as its affordable and there is population majority (more than 50%) that want their tax dollars spent on it. Commercial partners should be encouraged and sought .

4/18/2024 06:16 AM

We need to continue to attract business and commercial investment in the Historical downtown core to promote restoration and beautification of this' area.

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4/18/2024 07:20 PM

I do not want to lose the look of a heritage town. It is one of our strengths.

4/19/2024 07:45 AM

I think if any new buildings coming to HCD area

4/20/2024 08:03 PM

I think it's important to preserve our heritage. I hope that the Belle Vue agreement happens soon before the house falls into further disrepair. That project needs to get moving and fast. Sell it and let them fix it. Happy this survey isn't about parks.

4/21/2024 10:19 AM

No

4/22/2024 07:06 PM

No Murray St closure

4/23/2024 05:27 PM

Save the historical buildings

4/23/2024 05:53 PM

I support community growth however it needs to be well planned out, attractive and selective. Healthy, happy and interactive living should be priority. No more fast food places! Sidewalks, bike trails, and lower speed limits for safe walking & cycling

4/24/2024 03:59 PM

The town is wasting so much time and energy to create something that is of concern only to the VOCAL MINORITY.

4/25/2024 10:19 AM

Being a homeowner of a Heritage home I feel it would be wonderful if there was an incentive for those owning Heritage Homes. We promote as a beautiful Heritage town, which we are, lets do everything possible to keep it this way! I love my home and town!

4/29/2024 06:35 PM

The Detroit river should be emphasized more as a heritage site as it is the reason for the existence of the Town. Bellevue most remain owned by the Town, but leased to interested entrepreneurs.

5/02/2024 10:39 AM



5/06/2024 03:06 PM Hoping the town continues to grow in charm and character while maintaining historical relevance.

5/09/2024 08:31 AM N/A

5/09/2024 08:39 AM Develops the waterfront areas !

5/09/2024 12:46 PM I believe no study is even needed, because there should be no reason to not preserve ALL of our designated heritage buildings /areas! This is of historical importance and those bldgs should be restored only. We love our historical town, quit destroying it

5/09/2024 02:05 PM Cultural heritage can't always be a determining factor for the town to purchase property. Economic viability and responsibilities to tax payers should be at the forefront. Heritage districts can be initiated by the committee but taxpayers shouldn't be fo

5/11/2024 05:11 PM Like the idea of the pedestrian only access to a portion of Murray street

5/11/2024 09:13 PM Amherstburg does not have a good reputation for saving its buildings: Salmons, the wrong location of the Gordon House are but 2 black marks. An HCD would go a long way to improving this image and boosting the economics of and for heritage cultural tourism

5/12/2024 03:20 AM No

5/12/2024 07:57 PM This survey is extremely poorly worded. There are several grammatical mistakes and many questions are too vague to form and opinion about.

5/12/2024 08:08 PM No

5/13/2024 06:16 PM The boundaries of the different character areas and parking commercial parking requirements and the loss of some of the existing

parking downtown. present

**Optional question** (40 response(s), 44 skipped)

**Question type:** Single Line Question