

Belfast Area Locality Planning Groups Member Survey Feedback 2022

Total Regional
Members: **1532** Organisations: **600**



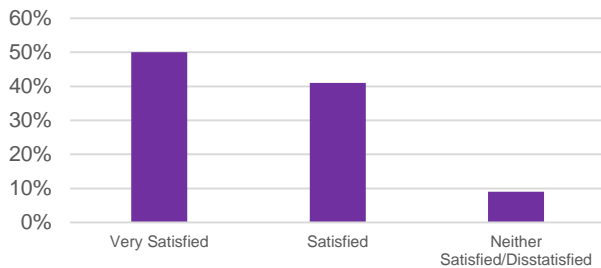
Belfast Area:

Total Members: **338**
Member Organisations: **231**
Number of Responses: **33**
Rate: **10%**

94% agreed that the current geography and configuration of the LPGs is appropriate



Level of support from Coordinator



good communication/networking sharing of info and planning ahead

Regional Response Rate:

166 | 11%

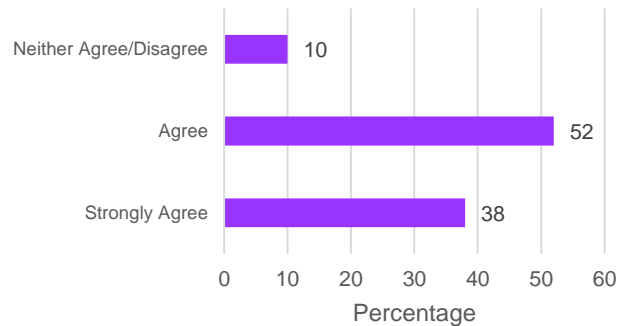
Response by LPG



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North 10
South 10
West 15

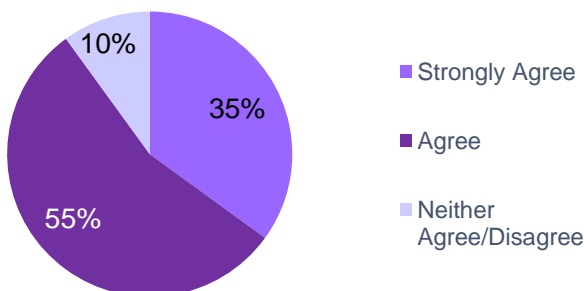
*Actual total = 34 (Members may be in more than one LPG)

LPGs help identify service gaps in the locality?



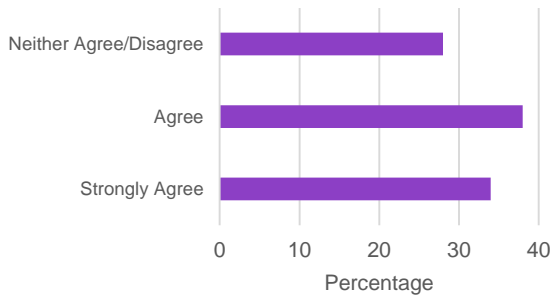
There is a varied range of organisations around the table, all bringing very different skills and services to serve families and children in the area, there is a very collegiate approach to identifying service gaps

LPGs increase cooperation and collaboration across organisations



I feel that the energy has diminished and organisations are less 'bought in' than at the outset

LPGs increase the use of resources available in the locality



Conversations at LPG inform organisations of the need locally for children and families, which should subsequently inform/shape their own focus for spend/resources. Not always the case but there has been effective convening around specific issues through sub groups which has increased the use of resources to address need locally. Additional funds through LPG is welcome but would be more impactful and effective if LPG's had the opportunity to put forward proposals for resources, that could address specific issues and gaps in the locality if through LPG

LPGs Increase the Focus on Early Intervention and Prevention

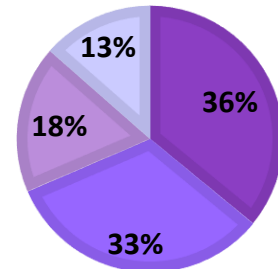


Strongly Agree : 39%
 Agree : 50%
 Neither Agree/Disagree : 11%

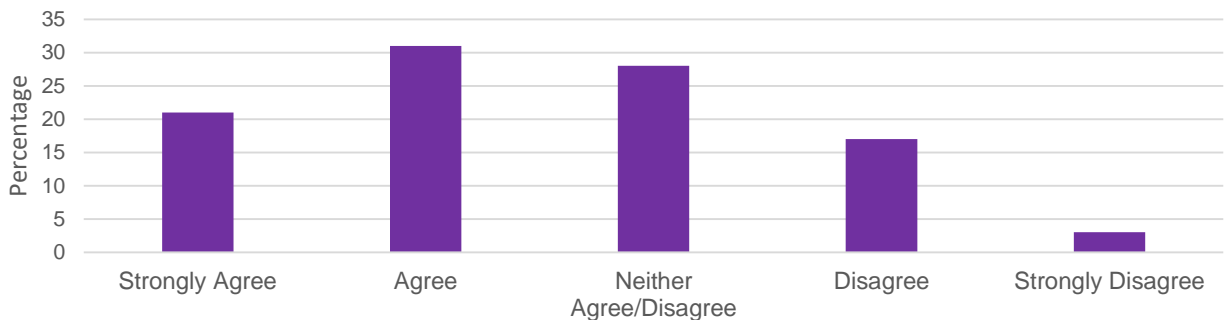
That's the whole point!

LPGs lead to greater involvement of service users and the wider community in addressing planning needs

Strongly Agree Agree Neither Agree/Disagree Disagree



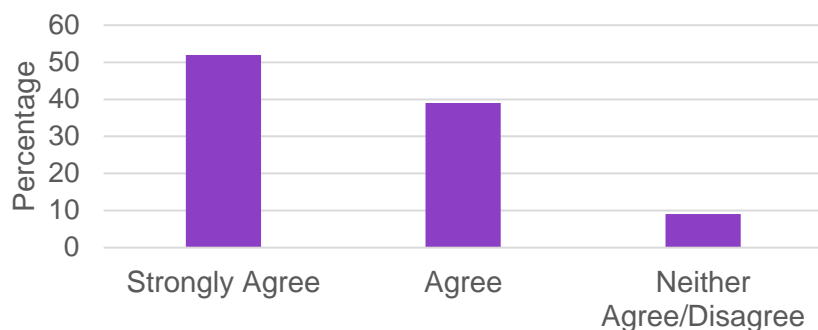
LPGs reduce the likelihood of duplication of service provision in the locality



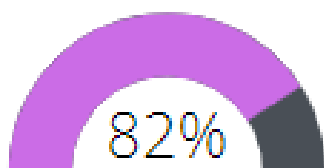
I don't think that duplication is an issue in many respects there are a lot of organisations both stat & CVS offering services for families and children- but the services are different and with varying outcomes. The level of need is such that families have the option to link in with services that match their specific needs so I think duplication is more of a side issue

I think this should be the case and it will be the case in the longer term. LPG's became a bit stagnant during covid however there is excellent work being done through the East sub groups to coord service provision and avoid duplication

LPGs Improve information sharing, communication and trust across organisations in the locality

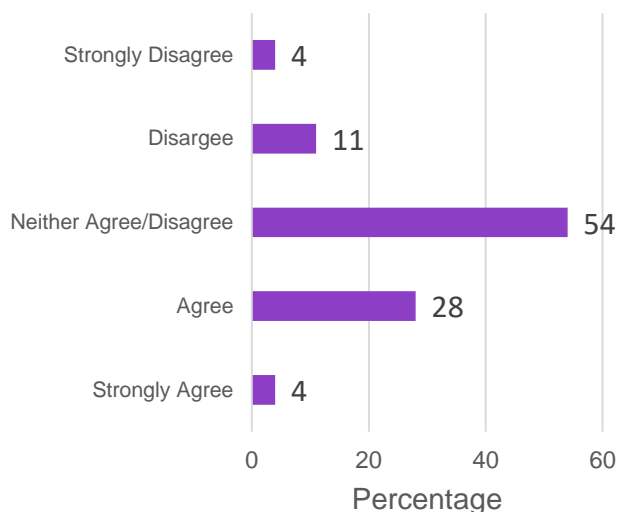


Most organisations already have trusted relationships but LPG provides an opportunity for organisations who are not locally based to share information and develop relationships with local groups



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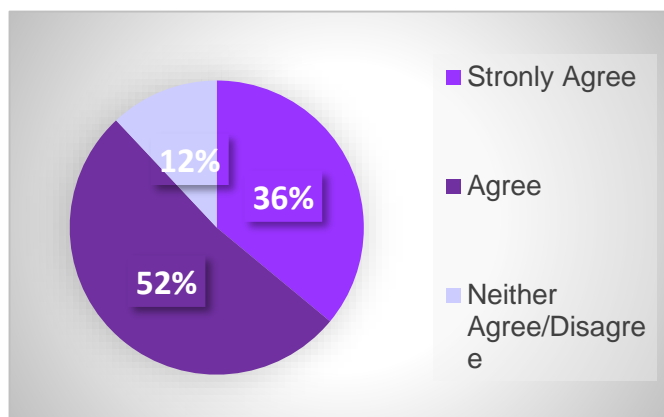
Has the Locality Planning Groups had any difficulty engaging service providers/organisations in the locality?



Which organisations do you believe are not attending that you think should be invited to get involved in LPG?

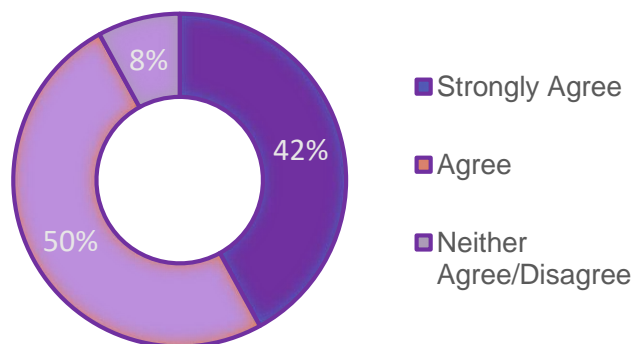
Schools, youth organisations, EA, Dept of Education

LPG gives better understanding of the needs of children and families



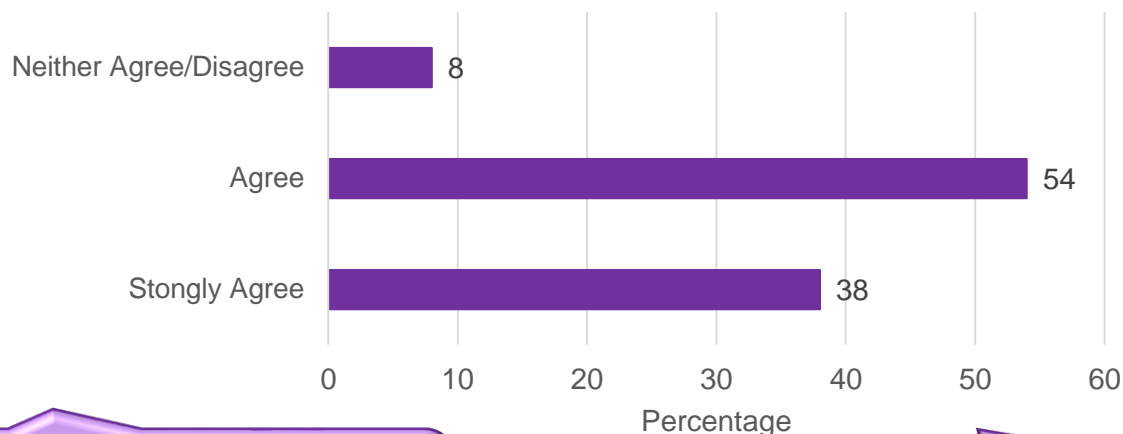
Have learnt through some of the presentations we have had and discussions

Being a member of a LPG increased your knowledge of the availability of services in the locality



A lot of information is shared

LPGs increase the likelihood of improving outcomes for children and young people



Perhaps, but not sure LPG made this happen as those around table may have got together anyway

In general I think that is down to the member organisations themselves but undoubtedly there are examples of joint activities that have been beneficial

Main achievements of the LPGs:

BetterCooperation
WorkingPartnership
CoordinationOfSupport
TailoredDelivery
Networks
PlansToAddressNeedsandGaps
HelpingFamiliesInNeed
InformationSharing
Cohesive ActiveSolutions
JoinedUpApproach IdentifyingGaps
Knowledge
LocalServiceProvision
Collaboration
GreaterAwarenessOfServices

What were the benefits of Locality Planning Groups during the Covid-19 pandemic?

*Information
Sharing*

Getting systems in place to get resources put to families who needed them in a broader/fairer and quicker way than single agencies

**Keeping
connected with
other groups**

Co-ordination and information/practice sharing was invaluable during the pandemic.

Continuity of care, funding streams and collaborative working

We were able to better stay updated with Covid response throughout the area.

identifying gaps and support required

working together- joint up approach- families got services /items quicker - ground up approach

Continued information sharing, production and sharing of resources for organisations and service users

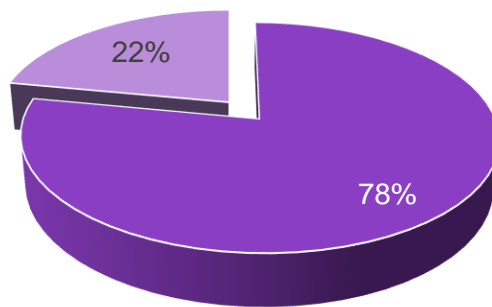
Meeting format preferred for the future



All Meetings In Person	: 9%
All Meetings Online Platform	: 22%
Hybrid	: 52%
Alternating	: 17%

Current frequency of meetings correct

■ Yes ■ Not Sure



Enough time to action any activities set

Further Comments

There needs to be a stronger link between Belfast Outcomes and CYPSP working groups and Locality Planning

Excellent inter agency working in East Belfast LPG

Northern Area Locality Planning Groups

Member Survey Feedback 2022

Total Regional
Members: 1532 Organisations: 600



Northern Area

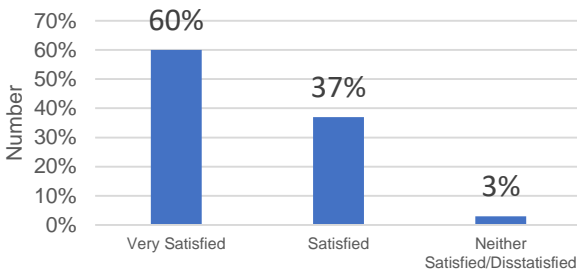
Total members: **418**
Member Organisations: **169**
Number Responses: **30**
Rate: **7%**

88% agreed that the current geography and configuration of the LPGs is appropriate



I think that it should be separated back to the individual towns as each has its own priorities. Especially when two towns are in different council areas too.

Level of support from Coordinator



Structures have changed over time & Coordinator's role have been subsumed into general HWB. Staff do the best they can within their job remit

Regional Response Rate:

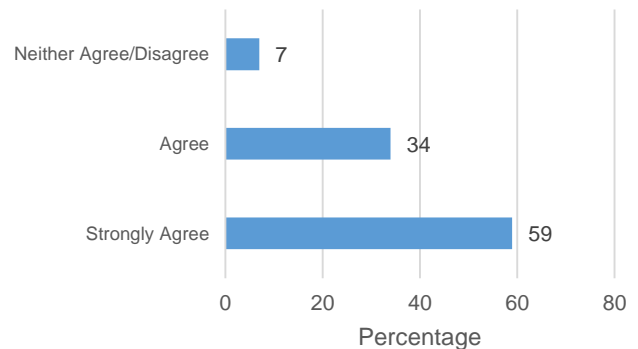
166 | 11%



Ballymena & Antrim	9
Carrickfergus & Larne	5
Causeway	7
Mid-Ulster	11
Newtownabbey	8

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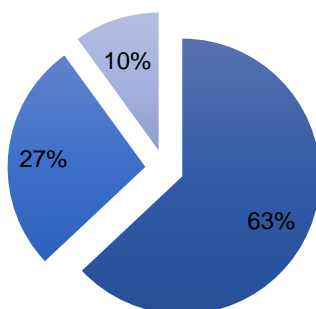
LPGs help identify service gaps in the locality?



Platform to share the service gaps and work towards making improvements through information/making changes

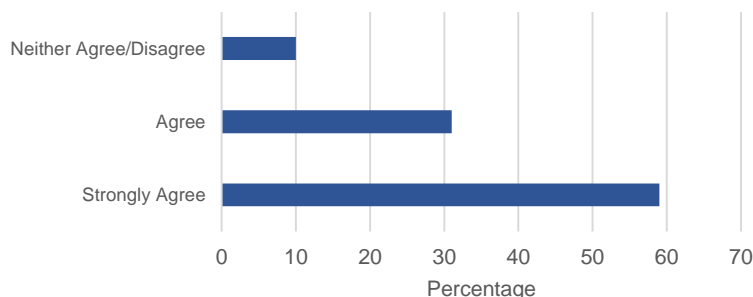
LPGs increase cooperation and collaboration across organisations

■ Strongly Agree ■ Agree ■ Neither Agree/Disagree



Many service providers working together and sharing resources due to CYPSP

LPGs increase the use of resources available in the locality



Working collaboratively helps ensure that best use is made of resources - which hopefully reaches more people or those identified as having the greatest impact on

LPGs Increase the Focus on Early Intervention and Prevention

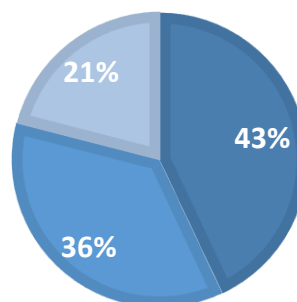


Strongly Agree : 31%
 Agree : 59%
 Neither Agree/Disagree : 10%

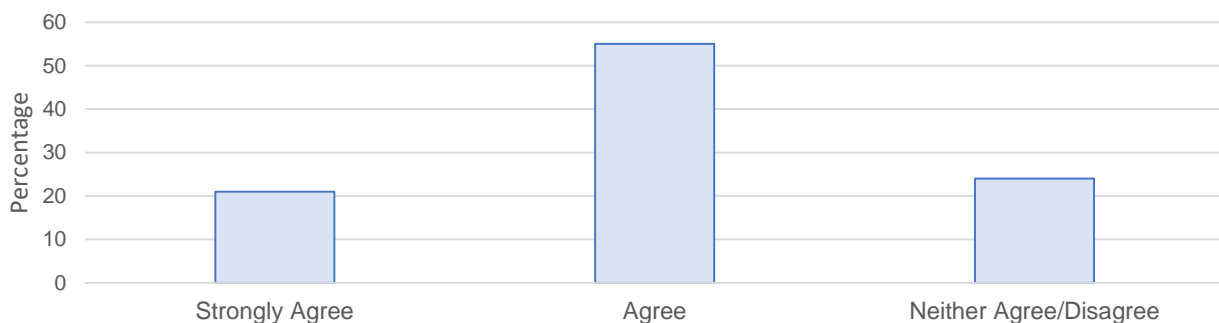
Collaborative working allows service providers to identify areas of need within the local community at an early stage and to discuss what interventions are available and accessible at that time of need to address the issues before they develop

LPGs lead to greater involvement of service users and the wider community in addressing planning needs

■ Strongly Agree ■ Agree ■ Neither Agree/Disagree



LPGs reduce the likelihood of duplication of service provision in the locality

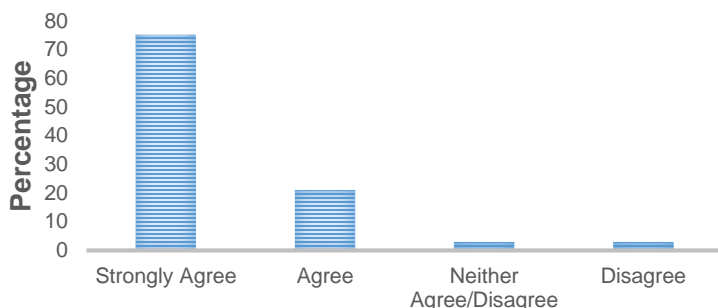


Collaboration, partnership working and joined working reduces the likelihood of duplication

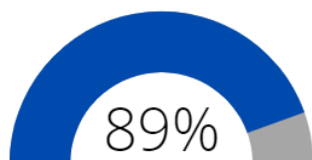
Not sure if this is the case, a lot of service provision is in response to funding opportunities

Due to increased communication and info sharing - organisations are more aware what services are on offer and hopefully do not apply to provide the same service - but compliment services that exist or have different target groups. It is important for funders to talk to each other and to other groups on the ground and see what is already within an area before they fund new projects - possibly creating division or displacing projects that already exist.

LPGs Improve information sharing, communication and trust across organisations in the locality

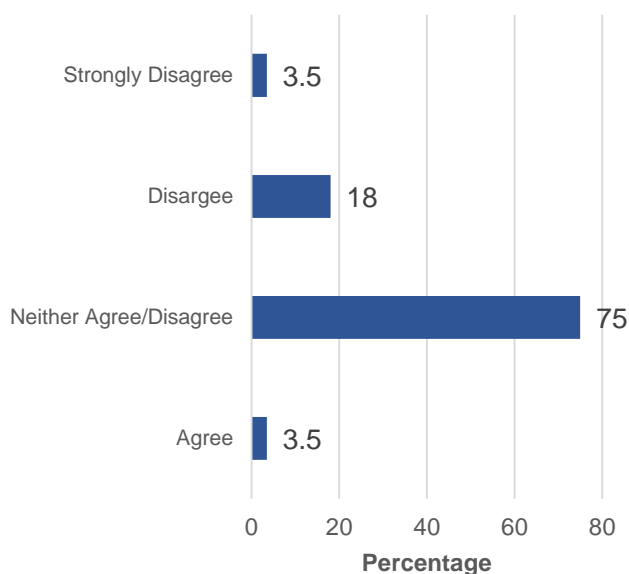


The LPGs are well placed to facilitate networking and info sharing and I feel they do this well



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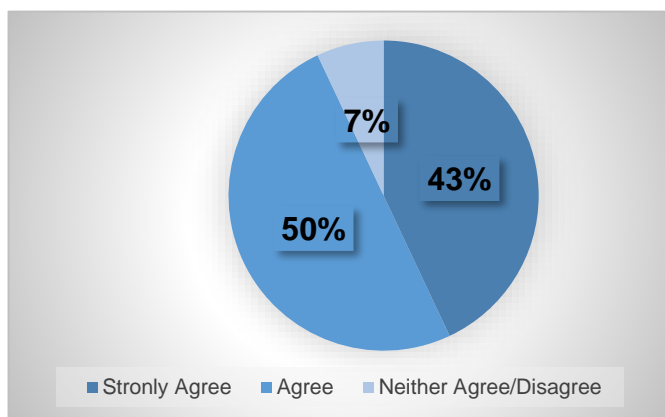
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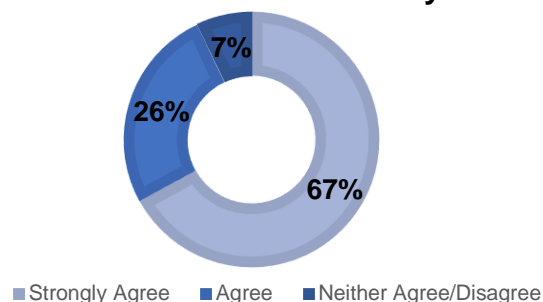
Churches, Community Police, Education, Schools

LPG gives better understanding of the needs of children and families



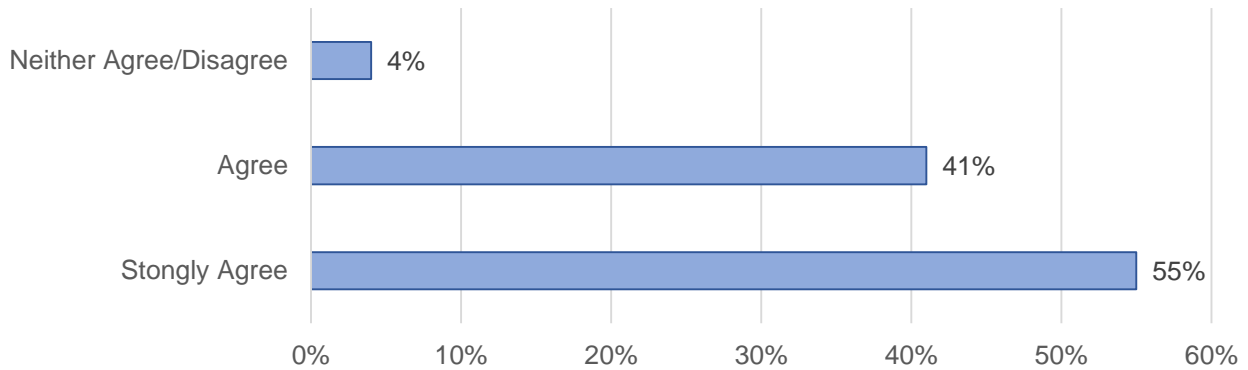
I have previously worked with Adults with learning disabilities and was unaware of the needs of children and families until becoming a member of my LPG

Being a member of a LPG increased your knowledge of the availability of services in the locality



I was unaware of the availability of services before I became a member of my local LPG

LPGs increase the likelihood of improving outcomes for children and young people



Working collectively means sharing info so when dealing with our own client groups and we don't have the answer, we know someone who might

LPGs provides sharing information that helps children and families, thus improving outcomes for children and families

Main achievements of the LPGs:



What were the benefits of Locality Planning Groups during the Covid-19 pandemic?

Connection

Able to keep a link between services and what was being offered to the community.

Keeping people and organisations connected when connections were very challenging

Kept people and organisations in touch

Staying connected with peers / colleagues, sharing issues and solutions

Information sharing

Tackling isolation and services

get help to where it was needed

Could continue by zoom and kept sharing information to attendees

Online worked well and covered things of relevance

Engagement and activities for the children and young people in lock down

Sharing knowledge, identifying gaps and working together to meet CYP needs

Sharing of information/contact

Communication and coordination

Moving to Zoom meetings and keeping everyone in touch Much easier to attend meeting on zoom. Reduced travel time and cost

Highlighting areas of need and coming together to support those in need.

Format preferred for future meetings



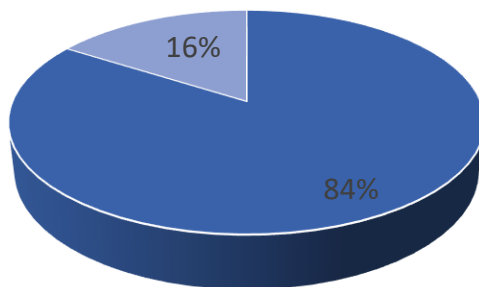
All Meetings In Person	: 15%
All Meetings Online Platform	: 18%
Hybrid	: 37%
Alternating	: 29%

In light of the large geographical spread zoom/teams has worked really well and promotes good attendance as reduces need to travel. Perhaps one session every year face to face

Ideally I'd like face to face but during COVID certain venues closed and since opening up of society some are reluctant to allow anyone in. Costs have gone up. People are still and anxious and we don't know what's coming next. It's difficult to plan for the unknown

Frequency of meetings

■ Yes ■ Not Sure



Correct timescale between each meeting as enables relevant information to be shared and not duplicated

Further Comments

Excellent group which I find very useful to myself and the vulnerable young people and families that I support.

South Eastern Area Locality Planning Groups Member Survey Feedback 2022

Total Regional
Members: **1532** Organisations: **600**



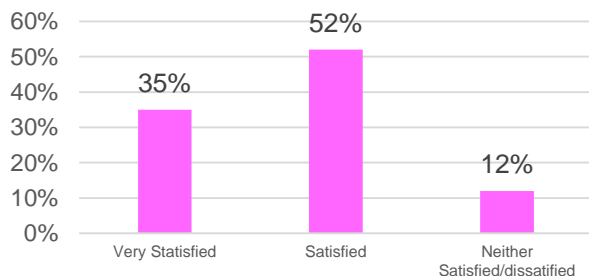
South Eastern Area

Total Members: **122**
Member Organisations: **62**
Number of responses: **18**
Response Rate: **15%**

84% agreed that the current geography and configuration of the LPGs is appropriate



Level of Support from Coordinator



No idea what the support is

No dedicated coordinator in this locality. This is a gap that would benefit from a coordinator post to work with partners to achieve the agreed outcomes

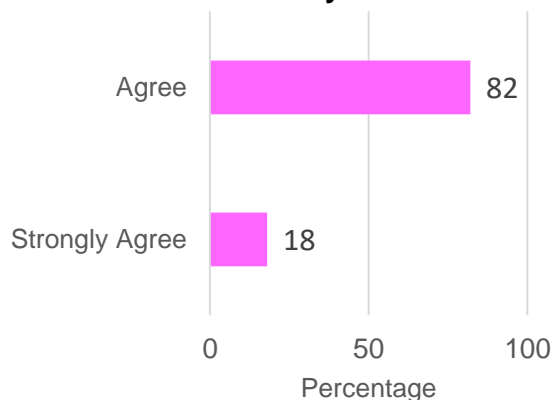
Regional Response Rate:
166 | 11%



Ards and North Down: 4
Colin: 1
Down: 13
Early Intervention Lisburn: 3

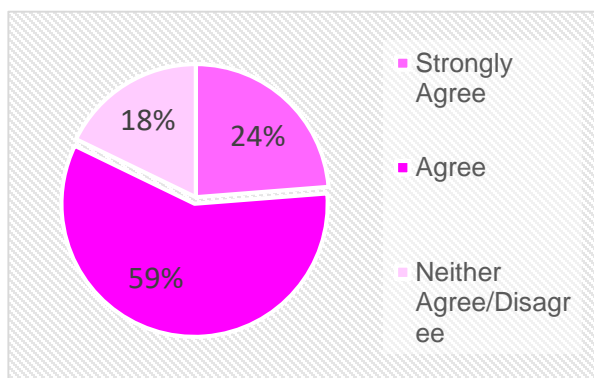
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LPGs help identify service gaps in the locality?



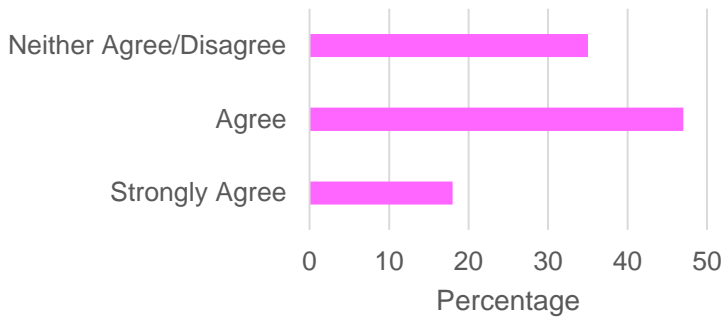
Yes, as we are all involved in partnership working communication is effectively established therefore, information is shared about the gaps in the locality.

LPGs increase cooperation and collaboration across organisations



there is a willingness to share therefore this creates opportunities for collaborative working.

LPGs increase the use of resources available in the locality



I think that this is true if all partners attend meetings on a regular basis. Attendance of key partners can be sporadic.

LPGs Increase the Focus on Early Intervention and Prevention

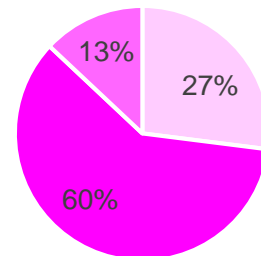


Strongly Agree : 41%
 Agree : 53%
 Neither Agree/Disagree : 6%

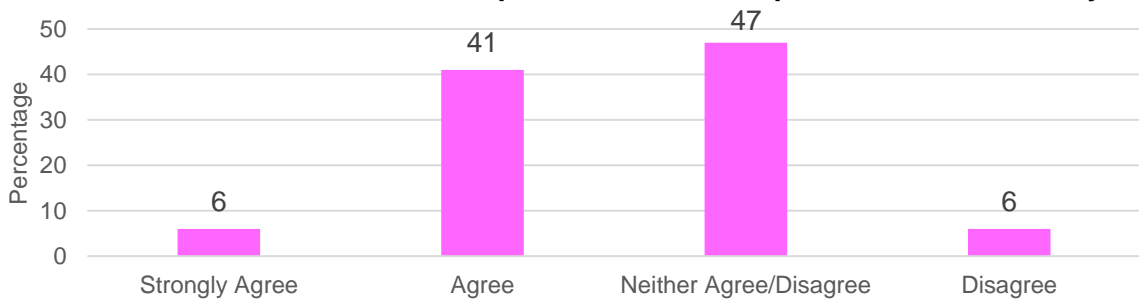
All groups and roles are highlighted so everyone attending has an understanding of early intervention / prevention.

LPGs lead to greater involvement of service users and the wider community in addressing planning needs

Strongly Agree Agree Neither Agree/Disagree



LPGs reduce the likelihood of duplication of service provision in the locality

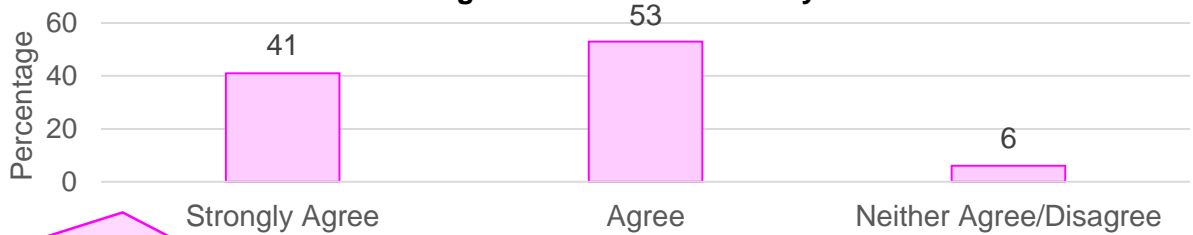


Yes, there are opportunities to be greater involved in other groups project or to work more collaboratively with them.

I am not sure if co-production or participation has featured much yet.

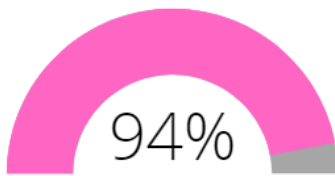
Action plan is needs lead from community up, I think a gap is user involvement of the group

LPGs Improve information sharing, communication and trust across organisations in the locality



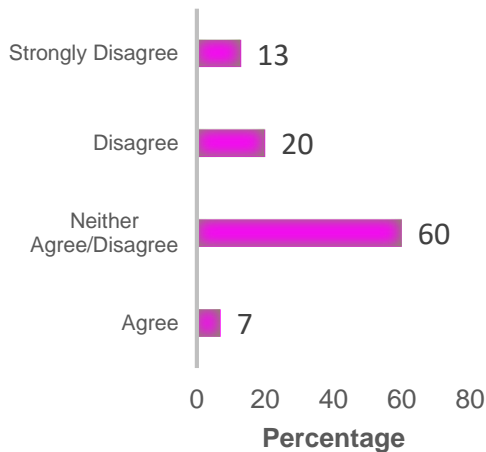
This is immensely important as many practitioners for different groups are represented therefore there is open communication and willingness to share.

A great opportunity to gain information on service provision and sharing of resources



Agree they are the right person to represent your organisation on LPG

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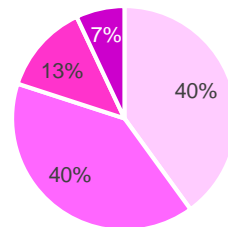
Which organisations do you believe are not attending that you think should be invited to get involved in LPG:

Department of Education, Playgroup Leaders, Need more commitment for attendance and partnership working from some statutory organisations.

Good representation but needs to rebuild

LPG gives better understanding of the needs of children and families

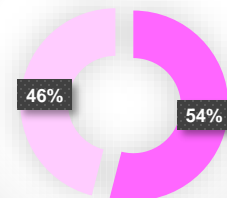
Strongly Agree Agree
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It is a good platform to share the understanding from the perspectives of various providers and services

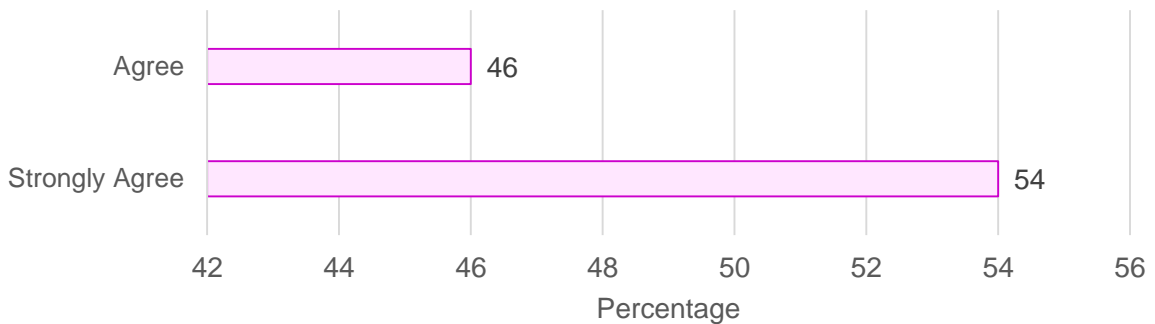
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Strongly Agree Agree



Directory – Great Idea

LPGs increase the likelihood of improving outcomes for children and young people



We have a proven track record of statistics for the last 10 yrs of impact of different projects and programmes that have been implemented

Anything where services are coming together to improve outcomes is a positive.

Main achievements of the LPGs:

SupportForChildrenAndFamiliesInLisburn
PartnershipWorkingOnPoverty
EnhancedFuturePartnershipWorking
Understanding AgreedActionPlan
SupportToThoseWhoNeedIt
ReducedDuplication ImprovedAcademicScores
AgreedCriteria CoordinatedApproach
PartnershipWorking ServiceDirectory Funding
KnowledgeSharing
EarlyTalkBoost FantasticCoordinator InsightIntoServices
RangeofResources HelpKidsTalk
Support InformationSharing
PreventsDuplication
ChangingOutcomesForOurChildren Collaboration
SchoolUniformRecycling
IdentifyingNeed

What were the benefits of Locality Planning Groups during the Covid-19 pandemic?

Advice
and
guidance

*Support for families
feeling isolated.*

**Keeping
information
flowing**

*Sharing of resources to
support families and
organisations.*

*Again joined up working and
identifying what organization
is perhaps better at providing
the service required in
accordance to Covid 19
restrictions.*

*Joined up thinking in making sure our
families had food. EIL kept running health
and wellbeing zoom sessions and parent
sessions to help with families stresses in
lockdown months. They helped us deliver
packs of work at the busiest points*

*Collaborative and new
ways of working to
benefit families*

*Partnerships/ networks already in place
which enabled other pieces of work to be
taken forward at a faster pace.*

Format preferred for future meetings



All Meetings In Person	: 17%
All Meetings Online Platform	: 8%
Hybrid	: 67%
Alternating	: 8%

This method appears to be working well, and cuts down on travel and time out of the office, making in more productive.

Since covid meetings have not taken place, it would be good to get these re-established in order that links can be re-established.

Is frequency of meetings correct



100% Respondents agreed frequency was correct

Further Comments:

For partners to pull resources together to implement programmes together not in silos.

Southern Area Locality Planning Groups Member Survey Feedback 2022

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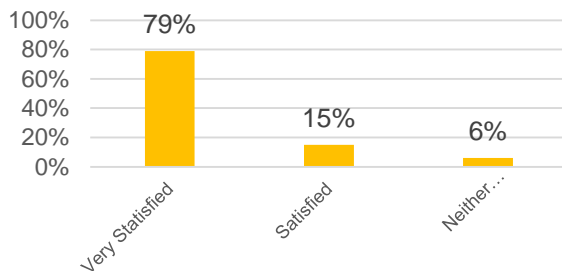
Southern Area

Total Members: **356**
Member Organisation: **110**
Number of responses: **48**
Response Rate: **13%**

87.5% agreed that the current geography and configuration of the LPGs is appropriate



Level of Support from Coordinator



Prompt responses are always received from them. They are always willing to support promotions of programmes in the local area... invites to meeting given plenty notice and reminders. They are just in general helpful, polite, knowledgeable and encouraging people that are passionate about making a difference at local level

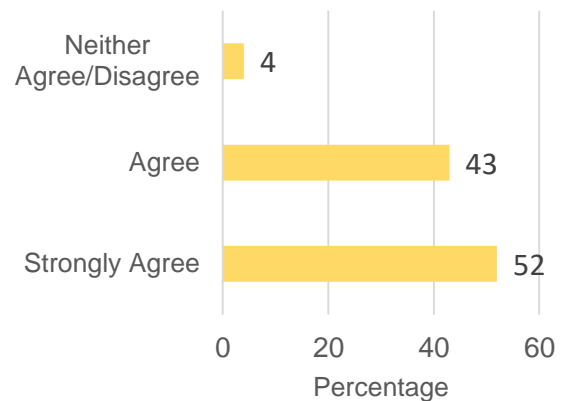
Regional Response Rate:
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Armagh	19
Banbridge	9
Craigavon	11
Dungannon	15
Newry & Mourne	17
South Armagh	14

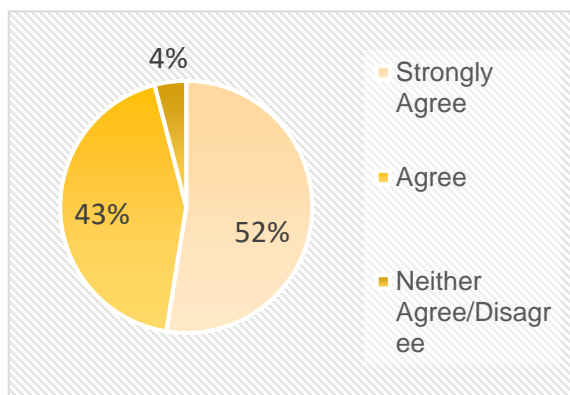
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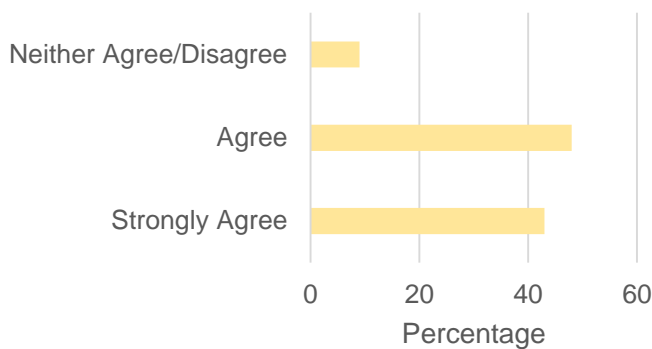
100% the meetings are essential to the work we do and ensures all members are able to share the needs emerging in their respective roles

LPGs increase cooperation and collaboration across organisations



The LPG is a high-energy vehicle for partnership working. Without the LPG many people would have missed out on the benefits of emergency provisions during the pandemic

LPGs increase the use of resources available in the locality



The monthly newsletter that is published and shared with member organisations helps increase the knowledge of resources that are available in the locality

LPGs Increase the Focus on Early Intervention and Prevention

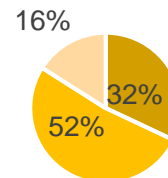


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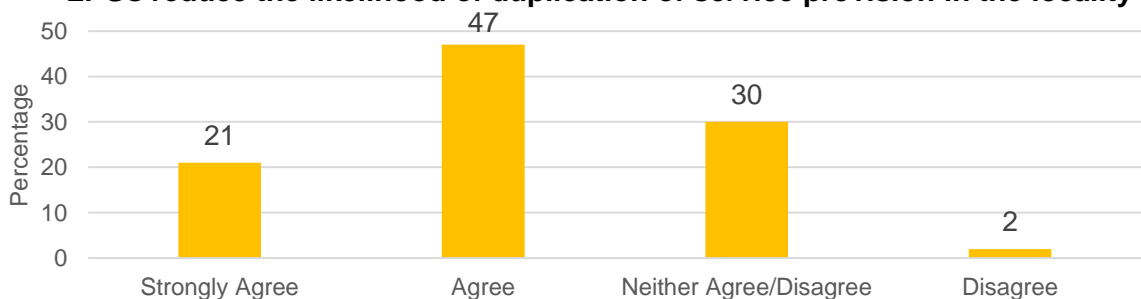
frameworks and structures are in place to achieve this whilst the coordinators drive and promote this work to be done through the planning groups. If the coordinators were not taking ownership of this I feel the group might not be as efficient nor effective.

LPGs lead to greater involvement of service users and the wider community in addressing planning needs

Strongly Agree
 Agree
 Neither Agree/Disagree



LPGs reduce the likelihood of duplication of service provision in the locality



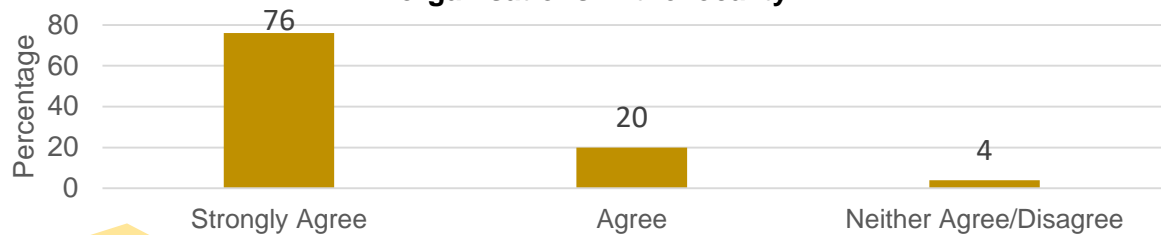
some services will always overlap due to funding contracts and aims of the organisations and who they target

There are no similar umbrella networks for those working with children and young people. All the key players attend which reduces duplication

By looking at the emerging needs organisations can ensure that if the opportunity presents itself they can tender for funding to meet those needs, for my organisation I am only too happy to work in partnership with others and don't see duplication of service an issue, there is enough need out there for all of us

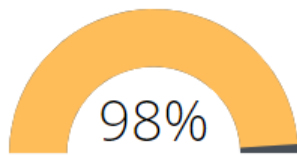
coming together and knowing locally what is happening keeps everyone informed improving efficiency for all involved.

LPGs Improve information sharing, communication and trust across organisations in the locality



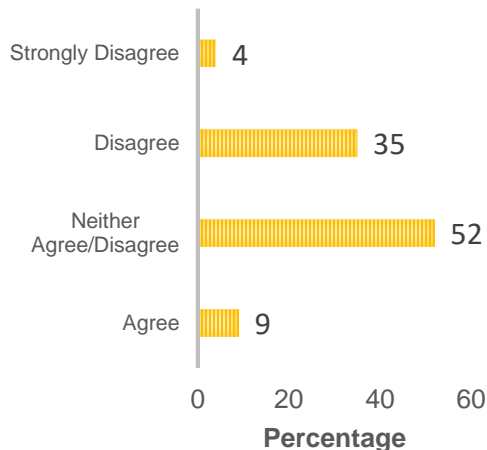
These groups allow interactions /connections and information sharing to take place which might not otherwise happen. Also, this format is ideal for the voluntary sector and allows for the personal touch

100% we have gained so much from the information sharing, joint training opportunities and guest speakers. The FYI newsletter is fantastic and I share it widely



Agree they are the right person to represent your organisation on LPG

Has the Locality Planning Groups had any difficulty engaging service providers/organisations in the locality?



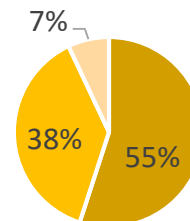
Which organisations do you believe are not attending that you think should be invited to get involved in LPG

Armagh Rural Transport, Churches, local schools, education, political representatives

I think organisation that are involved should have a member attend as protected time. encouragement for staff to prioritise this is a very strong message to the wider team

LPG gives better understanding of the needs of children and families

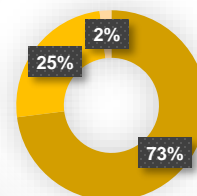
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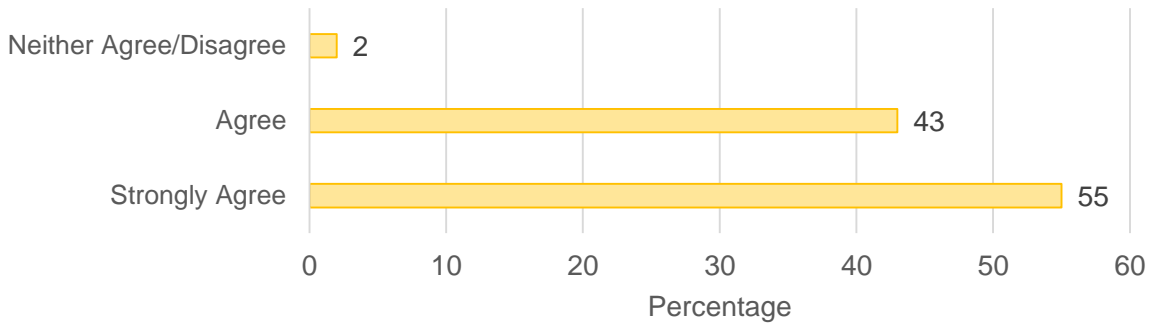
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LPGs increase the likelihood of improving outcomes for children and young people



Because professionals are adopting a multi-agency and multi-disciplinary way of working, meaning that issues have the potential to be identified sooner and information is shared freely, which could greatly benefit children and families in the long run

yes - targeted projects are evaluated and fed back upon

By sharing information and resources available in areas, agencies are able to better signpost potential service users

Main achievements of the LPGs:

Positive Outcomes For Young People
Networking
Supporting Local Communities *Understanding of Area Needs*
Positive Outcomes For Children *Identifying Needs*
Excellent Partnership Working
Our Journey *Greater Knowledge*
Signposting *Sharing Information* *Improved Programmes*
Information Sharing
Training *Events*
Staying Connected *Sense of Care* *F1*
Dove Tail Services *Better Wrap Around Services*
Inclusive *Creative* *Sharing Our Services*
Building Relationships *Shared Practice*
Positive Relationships *Support* *Improved Communication* *Quality Partnership*
Raising Awareness of Services *Directory of Summer Activity* *Assistance From Group*
Networking *Helping Families*
Bringing Services Together **Identifying Gaps**
Collaboration *Connecting* *Addressing Needs*

What were the benefits of Locality Planning Groups during the Covid-19 pandemic?

being able to connect online and support each other during a difficult and unsettling time

Communication, feeling informed

communication and sharing of information to support needs of children and young people

Keeping everyone informed of difficulties being experienced and how people were meeting the challenges through this period

Connection with others and an opportunity to share successes and difficulties/concerns

There were many. The Newry LPG was a very active platform for sharing important information, particularly about emergency assistance for families.

Being kept up-to-date on local service provision. Keeping connections going

ongoing connection and planning

Sharing information

Information sharing. I was able to find out what services each organisation is delivering and effectively to signpost service users in need. I was able to share information with my colleagues.

Continuing communication and working together despite the obvious constraints. The LPG facilitated this and provided up-to-date information on initiatives and groups providing support to CYP's and families.

excellent communication, adapting to the changing environment, local solutions to problems

Keeping struggling families on the radar.

Discussing new and informative ways of engaging young people and families online.

Information sharing and signposting to appropriate supports and resources.

Role model of keeping going and been creative with approaches to reaching people and adapting resources to need.

planning, continued support

Information sharing to ensure best appropriate support and signposting for families

understanding of how services were adapting; continuation of meetings via zoom

Sharing of information and support

*Information networking
Information sharing
Identification of key services*

Format preferred for future meetings



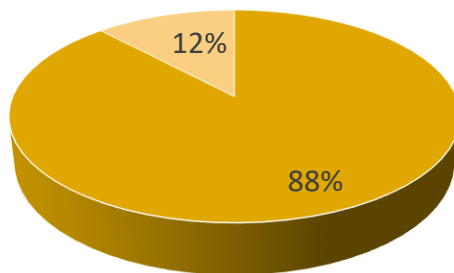
All Meetings In Person	: 11%
All Meetings Online Platform	: 4%
Hybrid	: 39%
Alternating	: 48%

In winter months, online would be good, but alternatively alternating meetings is a good idea

Happy with either in person or online or a mixture of both.

Is frequency of meetings correct

■ Yes ■ Not Sure



Further Comments:

The co-ordinators are amazing, so friendly, approachable, professional, efficient and supportive. They are doing a great job

Our LPG are a strong mix of organisations who are happy to share information.

I'm grateful for the opportunity to be involved in the LPG. Thank you for all the hard work that goes into facilitating the meetings and sharing the knowledge and expertise.

CYPSP is a very positive thing

It is important to endorse the cooperation shared by LPG members and extend gratitude to CYPSP staff for delivering high-quality assistance.

The LPG is a fantastic platform for networking and connecting with other local services. The meetings are extremely worthwhile. 'FYI' is a vital resource for both workers and parents in the area.

Thank you to CYPSP's Locality Planning Team in Southern Area for the fantastic work that they do in supporting each LPG in the area and in promoting services and activities available across the Trust

Western Area Locality Planning Groups

Member Survey Feedback 2022

Total Regional Membership
Members: 1532 Organisations: 600



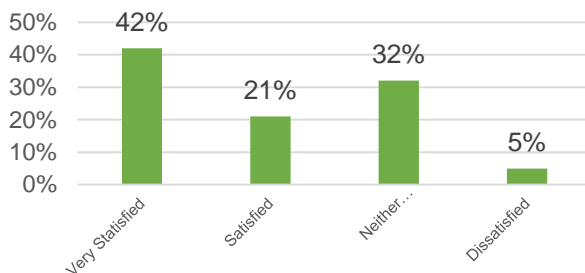
Western Area:

Total Members: **295**
Member Organisations: **139**
Number of responses: **19**
Response Rate: **6%**

84% agreed that the current geography and configuration of the LPGs is appropriate



Level of Support from Coordinator



Paul keeps us informed of all upcoming events, meetings and shares relevant information around provision within the local and wider area

Really good support and promotion of local services and organisations, Priscilla is a wealth of knowledge and provides such valuable information as well and is always thinking of what's best for families

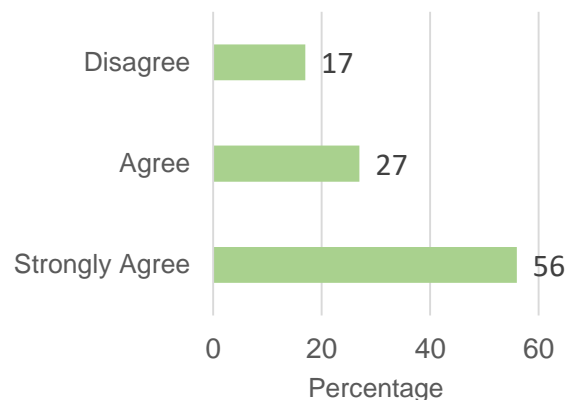
Regional Response Rate:
166 | 11%



Derry	16
Fermanagh	5
Limavady	3
Omagh	5
Strabane	7
Waterside	5

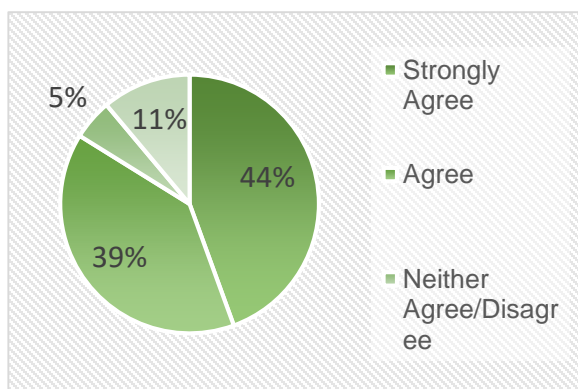
*some respondents are members of more than one LPG)

LPGs help identify service gaps in the locality?



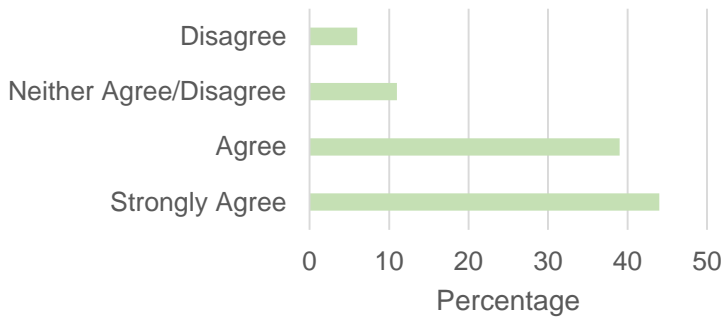
The flow and the sharing of information helps to highlight the current trends and difficulties our families are experiencing.

LPGs increase cooperation and collaboration across organisations



It is useful to be aware of locality planning and what is going on in the local area. There is room for improvement with connections with statutory services to inform service planning and delivery

LPGs increase the use of resources available in the locality



We continually share resources in the group (I probably gain more than I offer)

LPGs Increase the Focus on Early Intervention and Prevention

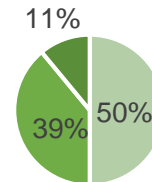


Strongly Agree : 44%
 Agree : 39%
 Neither Agree/Disagree : 17%

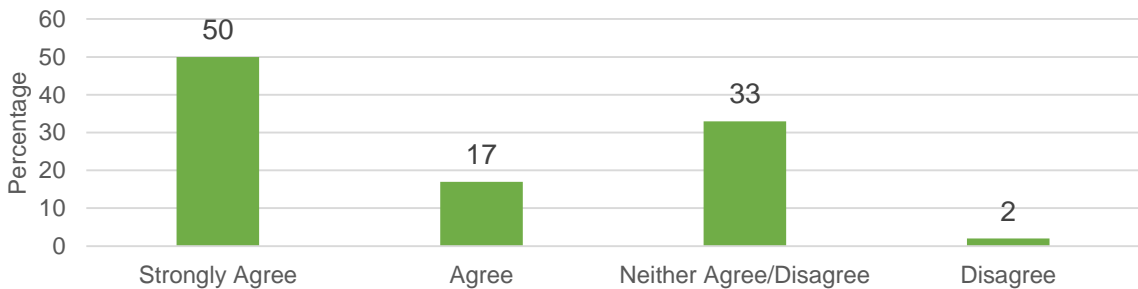
Encourages organisations with direct delivery provision to ensure preventative initiatives are paramount when designing or tailoring provision.

LPGs lead to greater involvement of service users and the wider community in addressing planning needs

Strongly Agree
 Agree
 Neither Agree/Disagree



LPGs reduce the likelihood of duplication of service provision in the locality



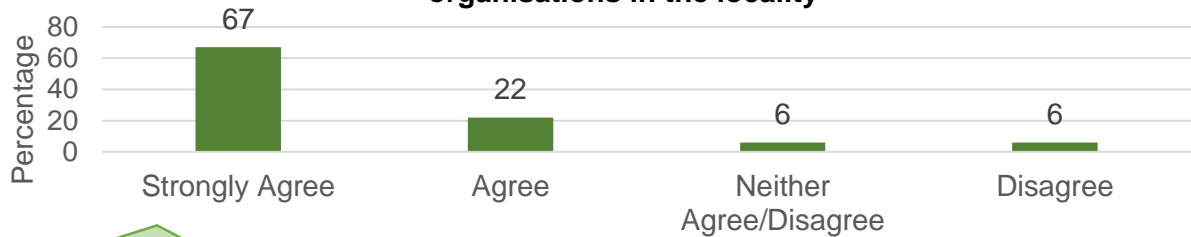
Would if meetings went again

Communication is essential for non-duplication of services and work.

Unfortunately service duplication is inevitable although this planning group may help limit the further widening of this gap or extent of this.

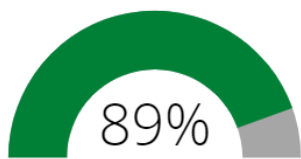
The meetings enable communication about each service is providing to try and prevent cross over as much as possible

LPGs Improve information sharing, communication and trust across organisations in the locality



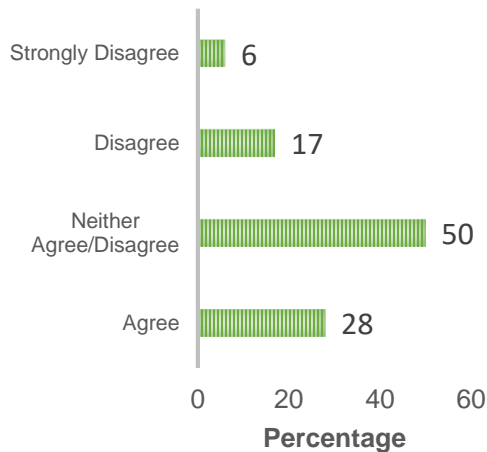
Face to face value through the Zoom meeting, helpful to hear about programmes and encouraging to feel that the gaps are being heard+worked on

Excellent opportunity to link with organisations currently providing services in particular sectors, targeting differing demographics and sharing expertise and best practice.



Agree they are the right person to represent your organisation on LPG

Has the Locality Planning Groups had any difficulty engaging service providers/organisations in the locality?



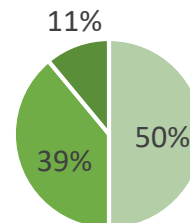
Which organisations do you believe are not attending that you think should be invited to get involved in LPG:

Early Years Groups, MH practitioners from MDTs, Traveller Support, MENCAP, Youth Services, Statutory Organisations, CAMHS, Social Services, RISENI

I can understand if organisations/workers don't have time to attend Locality meetings - despite wanting to prioritise attendance at a Locality meeting and the importance of attending particularly for information sharing, our waiting lists are continuously overwhelming and sometimes working with families comes first over attending meetings

LPG gives better understanding of the needs of children and families

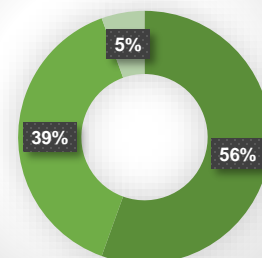
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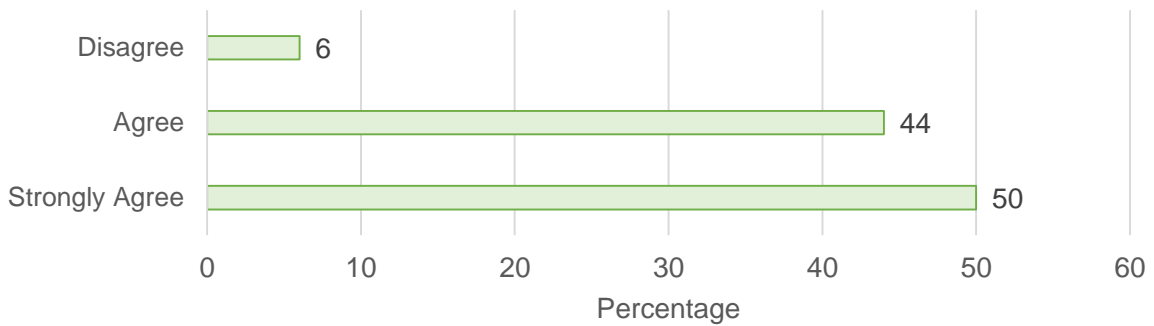
Being a member of a LPG increased your knowledge of the availability of services in the locality

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Information is current

LPGs increase the likelihood of improving outcomes for children and young people



there is room for LP to have a closer relationship with statutory services to help improve outcomes for the children families at greatest need

I think information remains current and is renewed as it changes

Main achievements of the LPGs:



What were the benefits of Locality Planning Groups during the Covid-19 pandemic?

Highlighting gaps in services and needs locally - raising awareness of various supports available e.g. tech support for families home schooling, distribution of council funding directly to families for fuel support

Keeping up to speed with what everyone was doing and how they were coping

Access to what other service were doing

Support, Partnership and Funding

*Food banks,
parenting support*

*Maintaining
communication online and
new online
initiatives due
to social
distance*

Format preferred for future meetings



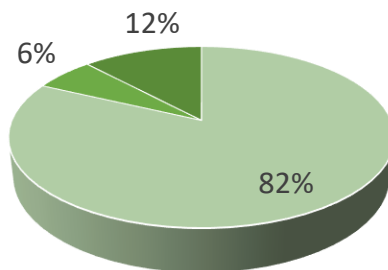
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Online meetings are less time-consuming e.g. no travel involved, agenda cohesive

No preference - although time constraints often impose on my role. The current format operating - zoom meeting is a good option with the information sent prior for my perusal

Is frequency of meetings correct

■ Yes ■ No ■ Not Sure

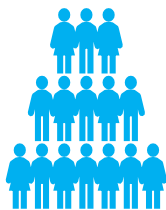


Further Comments:

Always grateful for the support of CYPSP & our locality planning coordinator Priscilla Magee providing constant invaluable support for the Hubs locally!

I think it is time for a review. Especially since COVID.

Regional Locality Planning Members Survey Feedback



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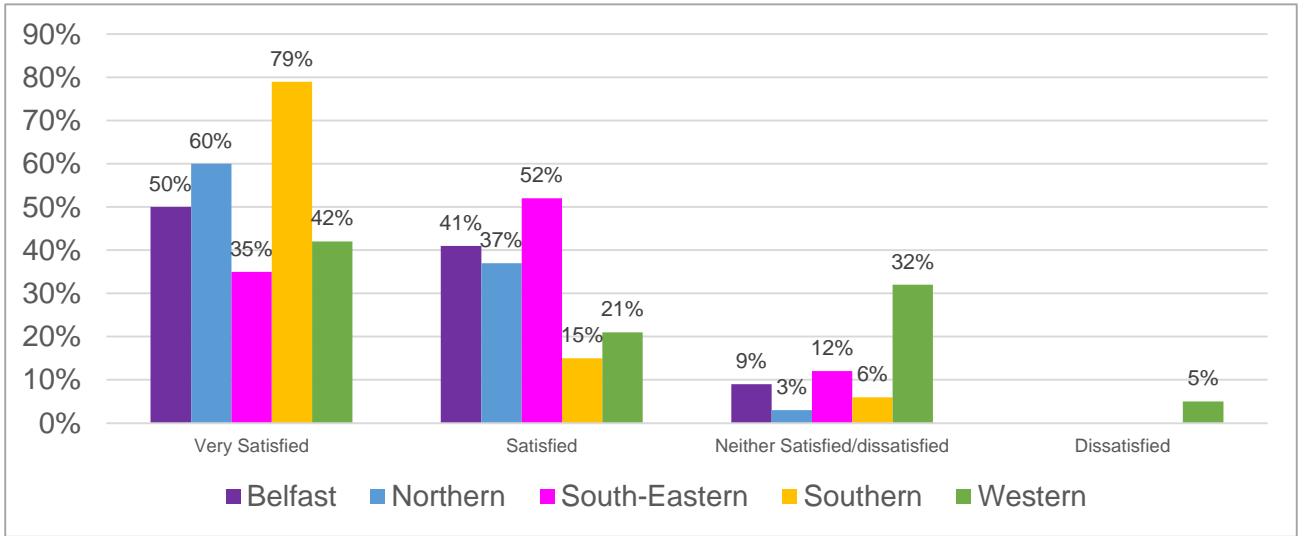


Response rate:
 Belfast: **10%**
 Northern: **7%**
 South-Eastern: **15%**
 Southern: **13%**
 Western: **6%**



Regionally **91%** agreed that the current geography and configuration of the LPGs is appropriate
 Belfast: **94%**
 Northern: **88%**
 South-Eastern: **84%**
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Level of Support from Coordinator



Structures have changed over time & Coordinator's role have been subsumed into general HWB. Staff do the best they can within their job remit

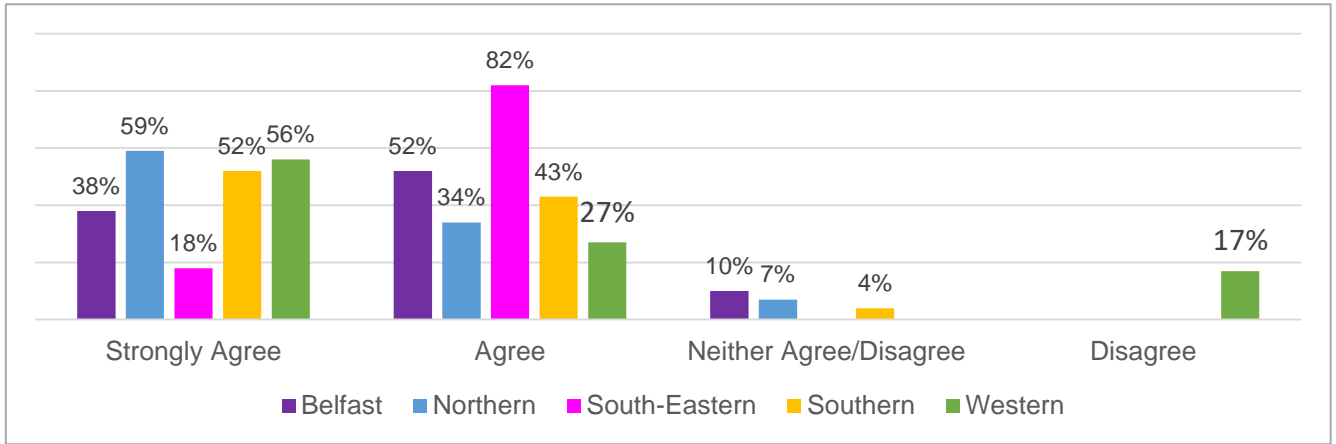
good communication/networking sharing of info and planning ahead

keeps us informed of all upcoming events, meetings and shares relevant information around provision within the local and wider area

Prompt responses are always received from them. They are always willing to support promotions of programmes in the local area... invites to meeting given plenty notice and reminders. They are just in general helpful, polite, knowledgeable and encouraging people that are passionate about making a difference at local level

No dedicated coordinator in this locality. This is a gap that would benefit from a coordinator post to work with partners to achieve the agreed outcomes

LPGs help identify service gaps in the locality?



The flow and the sharing of information helps to highlight the current trends and difficulties our families are experiencing.

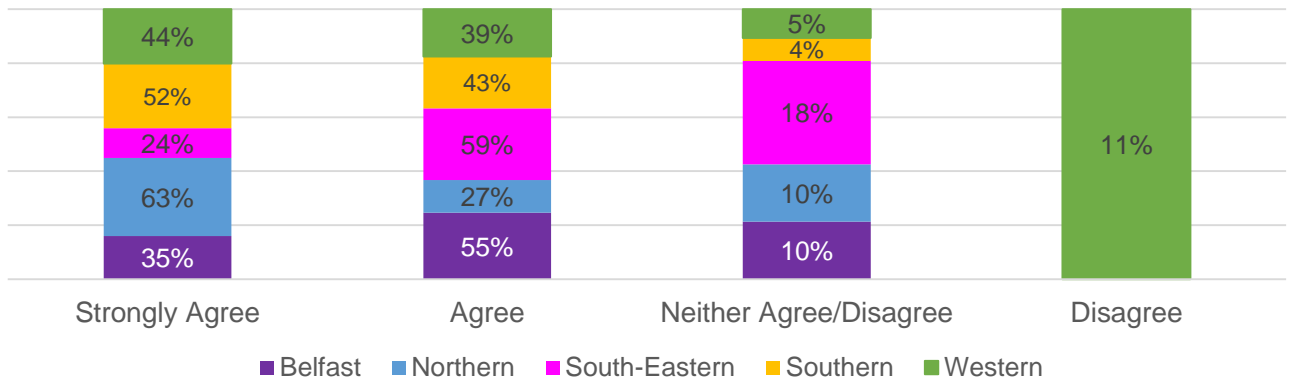
Yes, as we are all involved in partnership working communication is effectively established therefore, information is shared about the gaps in the locality.

There is a varied range of organisations around the table, all bringing very different skills and services to serve families and children in the area, there is a very collegiate approach to identifying service gaps

100% the meetings are essential to the work we do and ensures all members are able to share the needs emerging in their respective roles

Platform to share the service gaps and work towards making improvements through information/making changes

LPGs increase cooperation and collaboration across organisations

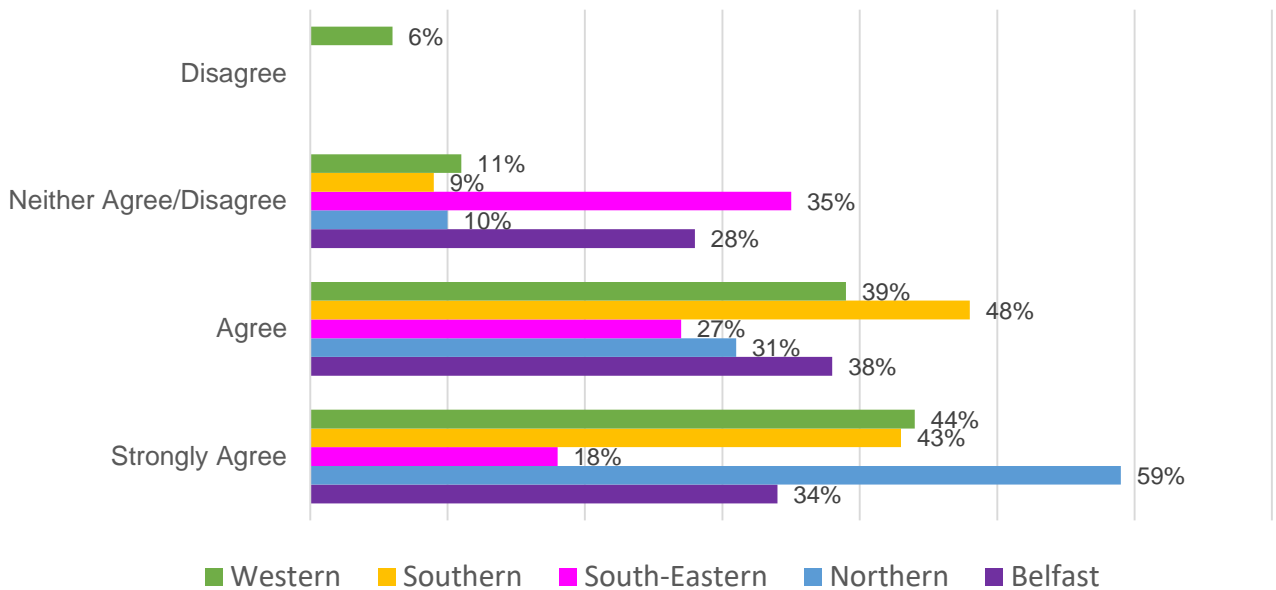


It is useful to be aware of locality planning and what is going on in the local area. There is room for improvement with connections with statutory services to inform service planning and delivery

Many service providers working together and sharing resources due to CYPSP

The LPG is a high-energy vehicle for partnership working. Without the LPG many people would have missed out on the benefits of emergency provisions during the pandemic

LPGs increase the use of resources available in the locality

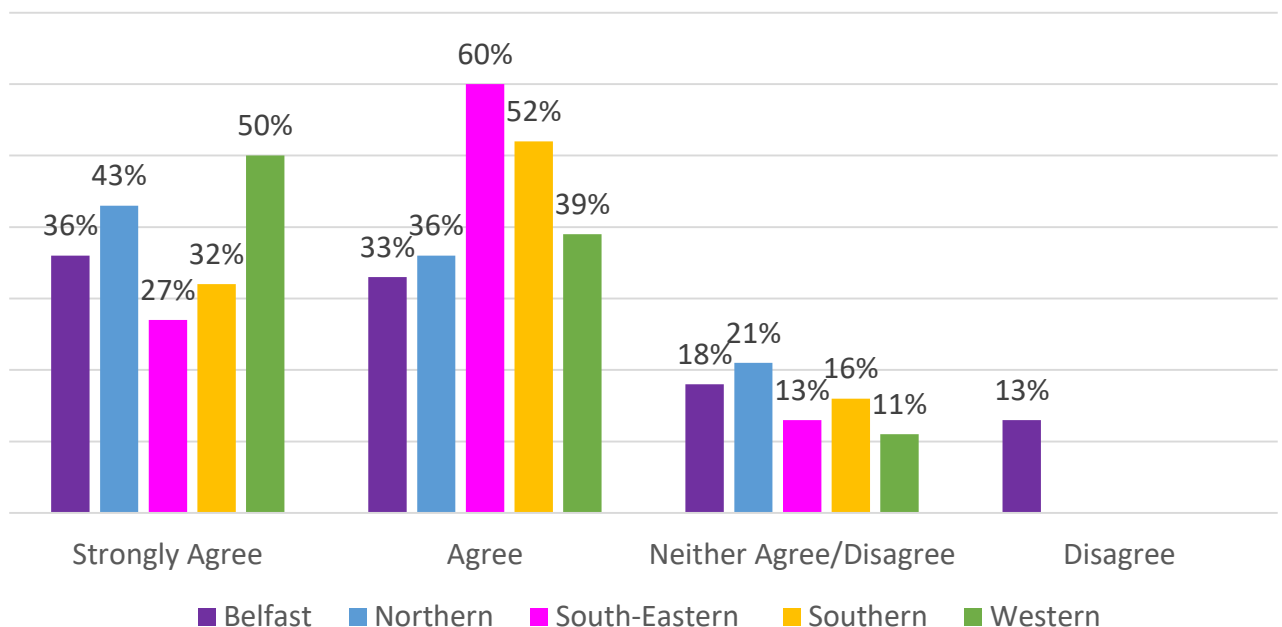


Working collaboratively helps ensure that best use is made of resources - which hopefully reaches more people or those identified as having the greatest impact on

I think that this is true if all partners attend meetings on a regular basis. Attendance of key partners can be sporadic.

We continually share resources in the group (I probably gain more than I offer)

LPGs lead to greater involvement of service users and the wider community in addressing planning needs



LPGs Increase the Focus on Early Intervention and Prevention



	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree
Belfast	39%	50%	11%
Northern	31%	59%	10%
South-Eastern	41%	53%	6%
Southern	39%	50%	11%
Western	44%	39%	17%

That's the whole point!

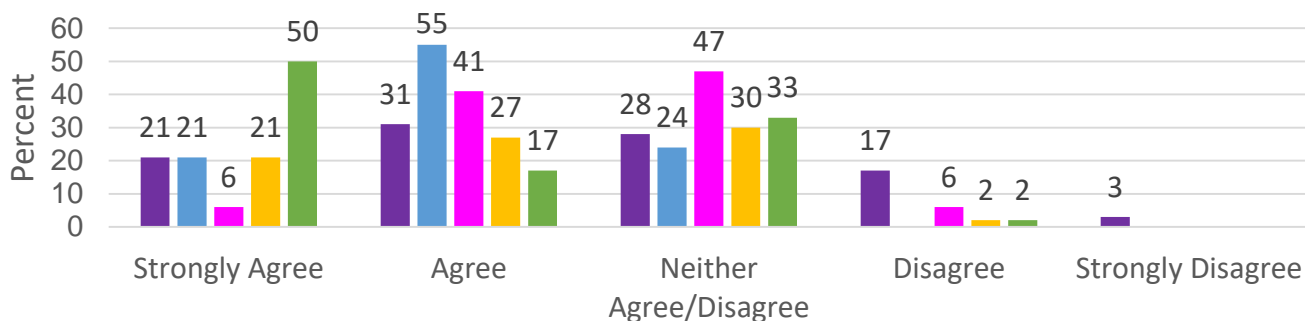
Collaborative working allows service providers to identify areas of need within the local community at an early stage and to discuss what interventions are available and accessible at that time of need to address the issues before they develop

Encourages organisations with direct delivery provision to ensure preventative initiatives are paramount when designing or tailoring provision.

All groups and roles are highlighted so everyone attending has an understanding of early intervention / prevention.

frameworks and structures are in place to achieve this whilst the coordinators drive and promote this work to be done through the planning groups. If the coordinators were not taking ownership of this I feel the group might not be as efficient nor effective.

LPGs reduce the likelihood of duplication of service provision in the locality



■ Belfast ■ Northern ■ South-Eastern ■ Southern ■ Western

Not sure if this is the case, a lot of service provision is in response to funding opportunities

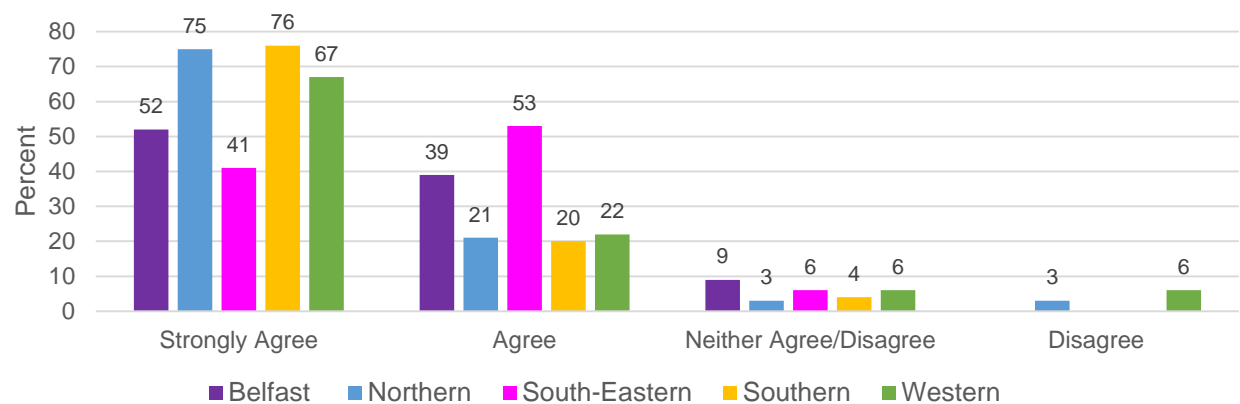
Yes, there are opportunities to be greater involved in other groups project or to work more collaboratively with them.

some services will always overlap due to funding contracts and aims of the organisations and who they target

Unfortunately service duplication is inevitable although this planning group may help limit the further widening of this gap or extent of this.

I don't think that duplication is an issue in many respects there are a lot of organisations both stat & CVS offering services for families and children- but the services are different and with varying outcomes. The level of need is such that families have the option to link in with services that match their specific needs so I think duplication is more of a side issue

LPGs Improve information sharing, communication and trust across organisations in the locality



The LPGs are well placed to facilitate networking and info sharing and I feel they do this well

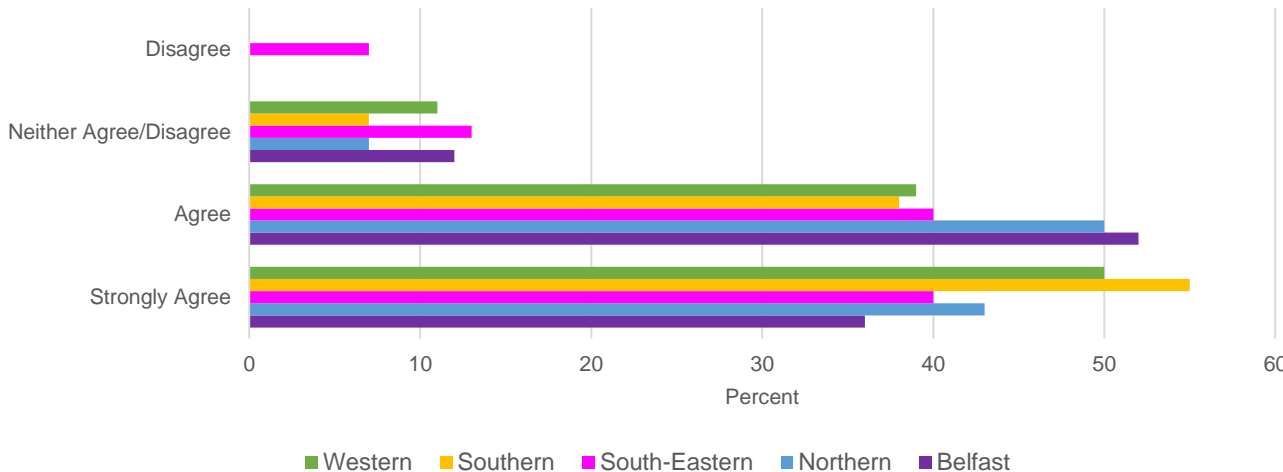
100% we have gained so much from the information sharing, joint training opportunities and guest speakers. The FYI newsletter is fantastic and I share it widely

This is immensely important as many practitioners for different groups are represented therefore there is open communication and willingness to share.

Most organisations already have trusted relationships but LPG provides an opportunity for organisations who are not locally based to share information and develop relationships with local groups

Excellent opportunity to link with organisations currently providing services in particular sectors, targeting differing demographics and sharing expertise and best practice.

LPG gives better understanding of the needs of children and families



Have learnt through some of the presentations we have had and discussions

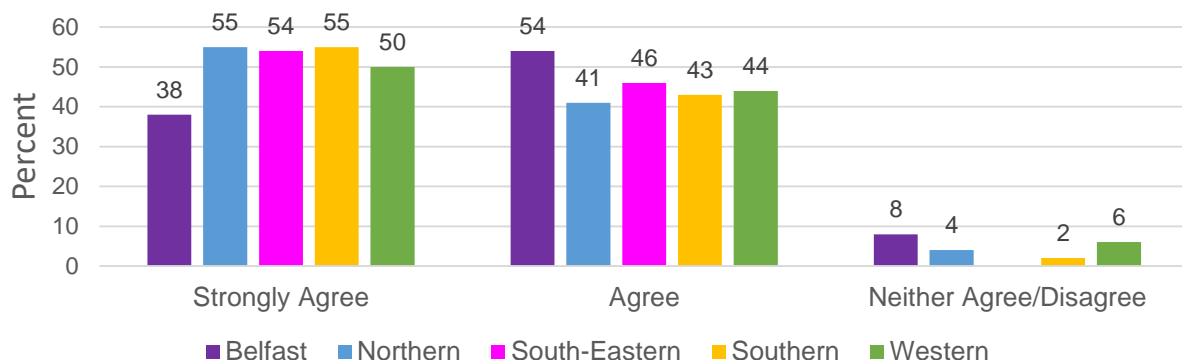
It is a good platform to share the understanding from the perspectives of various providers and services

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I have previously worked with Adults with learning disabilities and was unaware of the needs of children and families until becoming a member of my LPG

LPGs increase the likelihood of improving outcomes for children and young people



Working collectively means sharing info so when dealing with our own client groups and we don't have the answer, we know someone who might

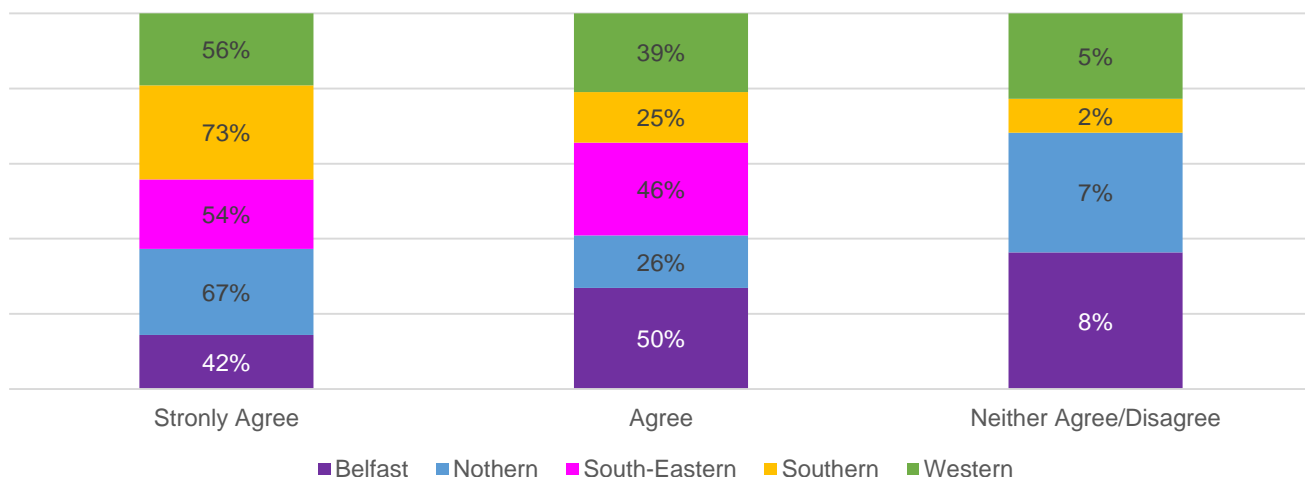
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Anything where services are coming together to improve outcomes is a positive.

Because professionals are adopting a multi-agency and multi-disciplinary way of working, meaning that issues have the potential to be identified sooner and information is shared freely, which could greatly benefit children and families in the long run

In general I think that is down to the member organisations themselves but undoubtedly there are examples of joint activities that have been beneficial

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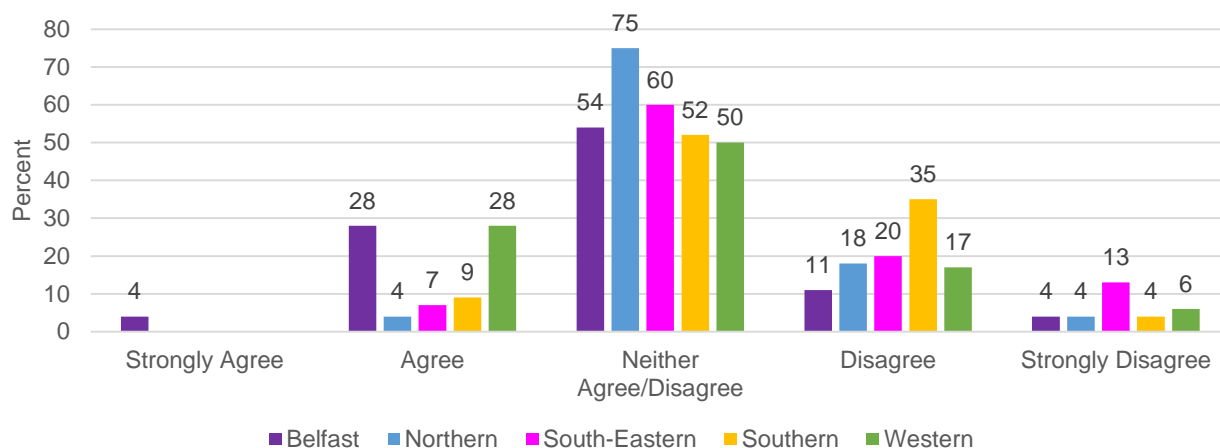
Directory – Great Idea

Information is current

A lot of information is shared

I was unaware of the availability of services before I became a member of my local LPG

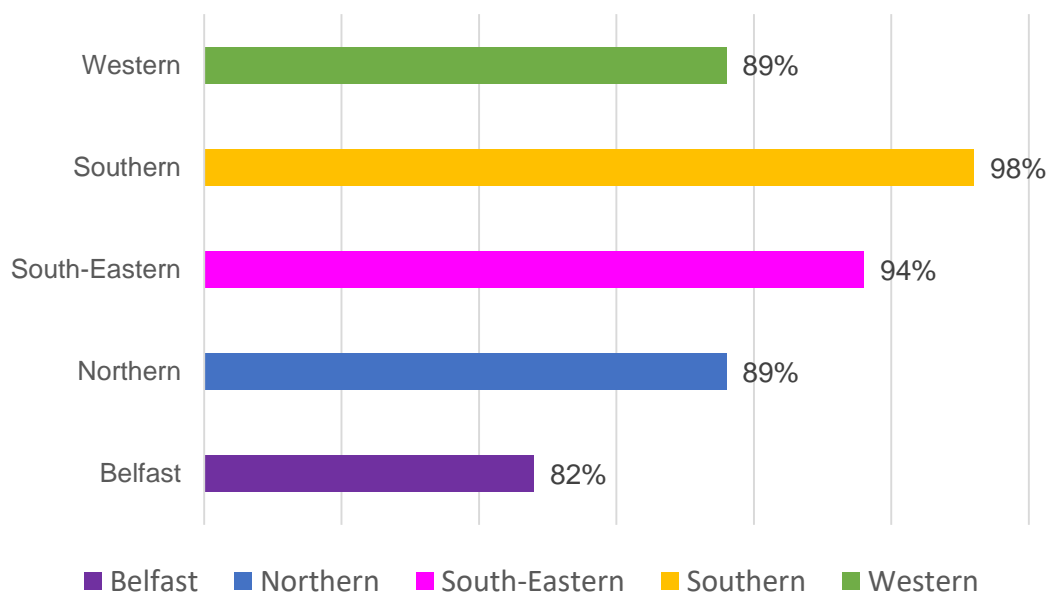
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Which organisations do you believe are not attending that you think should be invited to get involved in LPG?

Churches, Community Police, Education, Schools, Youth Organisations, Education Authority, Playgroup leaders, more commitment from statutory organisations, Early Years Groups, MH practitioners from MDTs, Traveller support, CAMHS, RISENI, Rural Transport, political representatives.

Agree they are the right person to represent their organisation on LPG



Main achievements of the Locality Planning Groups

