

Phase 3 Feedback Survey - Informal Teaching Area

SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

04 December 2023 - 16 January 2024

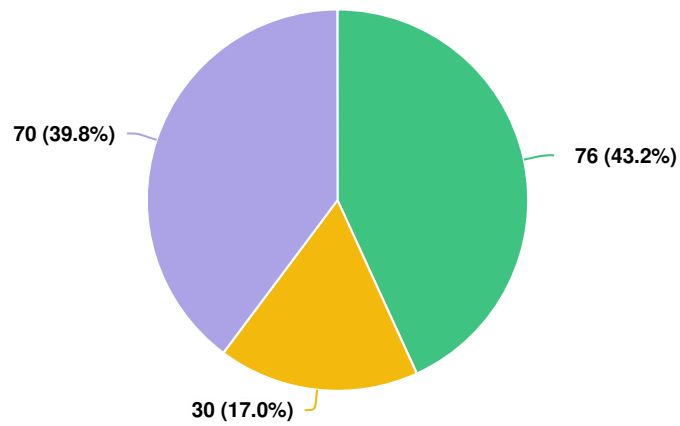
PROJECT NAME:

Churchill Park Redevelopment



SURVEY QUESTIONS

Q1 Which Concept Plan do you prefer?



Question options

- Option 1
- Option 2
- Option 3

Mandatory Question (176 response(s))
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q2 | **Additional feedback**

Anonymous

12/04/2023 05:28 PM

there wasn't much difference between plans, seating should be accessible for wheelchair users to navigate and not have to sit on the end of the group, there should be shade

Anonymous

12/05/2023 03:40 PM

I have concerns with the maintenance required for mulch ground and log seating. Costs can add up over time so propose to move forward with more permanent seating like the armour stone. Many teenagers hang out in this area of churchill park in the late evenings, so anticipate log stumps for seating may be removed / relocated.

Anonymous

12/05/2023 03:49 PM

Make sure it's wheelchair friendly.

Anonymous

12/05/2023 04:24 PM

I think you should ask the teachers at Cootes and Temple and see if they have a preference. Please use native tree/shrub/flower plantings.

Anonymous

12/05/2023 04:30 PM

I do not see the difference between the options. Why did you force me to pick one? Poorly designed survey.

Anonymous

12/05/2023 04:32 PM

No asphalt and concrete in the park, please. No need for lights in the park.

Anonymous

12/05/2023 04:45 PM

Would not choose any above. Why is there seating? How do children learn in nature when they have to only sit and listen to a teacher? Why is there a board in front. They might as well stay in their classroom for this kind of learning. Please check out forest schools for better ideas. There should be centres used for kids to work in groups on gardening or constructing or observing nature and doing inquiry learning. It should look more like an area for exploring with centres with different groups working on different things.

Anonymous

12/05/2023 04:46 PM

Thanks please maximize the shade if possible in the area as it can be quite exposed and children can get sunburns when the parents aren't on top of sunscreen

Anonymous

The tree in the middle of option 1 and 2 looks in the way if it was to

12/05/2023 05:06 PM

be used for informal teaching/ gathering.

Anonymous

12/05/2023 05:12 PM

I love the light(s). To extend the use of the park into winter, lights around the new gravel pathways would be awesome. Solar lights?

Anonymous

12/05/2023 05:19 PM

Wood gets wet and slippery, let's use stone

Anonymous

12/05/2023 05:33 PM

The wood is great - for a few years. As we're finding out at the school, organic means it begins to rot after a few years, and needs to be replaced. The city should choose rock, or be committed to replacing wood within 5 years.

Anonymous

12/05/2023 05:41 PM

Any kind of wood seating will deteriorate quickly without maintenance. Stone or concrete is the only lasting solution for something of this nature I believe.

Anonymous

12/05/2023 06:02 PM

The path isn't where people walk. If you go to the park and see where the worn grass is, that is probably where the path should go. I've worked at a school with the logs and log stump style seating. They look great because they are natural, but wear down over time. Rock seating is more durable and would be a one time cost. Glad to see this next phase! The park is very well designed so far. We enjoy it daily!

Anonymous

12/05/2023 07:25 PM

Would like to see more than one light standard for this location. At least two opposite each other to better light the area at night.

Anonymous

12/05/2023 07:26 PM

I like option 2 the best except for the tree in the middle. This would block view for seating in area 5 & 6. I would also increase the middle of #5 towards centre in order to minimize people from crisscrossing direct through middle to get to other side instead of walking around.

Anonymous

12/05/2023 08:19 PM

Why is concrete needed in the park? It is impermeable and bad for environment. Concrete will invite vehicles which makes the park unsafe for toddlers. Why can't granular walkways be incorporated--much better for the environment. Natural materials preferred as much as possible. I checked option 3 but disagree with concrete.

Anonymous

12/05/2023 08:29 PM

Question -- is there a tree in the centre of the teaching space for Option 1 & 2? I like the look of that but do wonder whether it will obscure views.

Anonymous

12/05/2023 10:15 PM

Please make it colourful, its so grey and sad looking, it could even have a matching colour pattern with the play structure, just not the sad and boring grey that leaves kids feeling bored and unengaged!

Anonymous

12/05/2023 11:38 PM

Not totally clear on difference

Anonymous

12/06/2023 12:33 AM

Is there a tree in the middle of option 1 and 2? Some shade would be good if to be used in summer months!

Anonymous

12/06/2023 07:34 AM

Pathways should be permeable but wheelchair and stroller friendly. Logs break down with time so stone seating lasts longer. Stabilized limestone screening is better than mulch at preventing weed-prevention and doesn't break down like mulch. If properly installed, it is more expensive but longer lasting than wood and does not need mowing like grass. I visit often when my grandkids are in town.

Anonymous

12/06/2023 02:13 PM

They are similar enough to me that I can't really determine which one is better. I think it's important that the walking and rolling surfaces accommodate everyone.

Anonymous

12/06/2023 02:43 PM

I would prefer the walkway to and from the teaching area to be stabilized limestone screenings rather than asphalt.

Anonymous

12/06/2023 02:53 PM

I really do not like any of these options. They all include killing roughly the same area of living ground, all they all propose replacing about the same area with impermeable surface (concrete or asphalt). The long paved pathways destroy the most greenspace. Curving them just increases the land area to be killed. Will these impermeable surfaces be exempt from the City's proposed stormwater tax? If so, the City imposing the tax just on private property owners is a bit sus. Please attempt to minimize the killing in the greenspace, and in particular minimize covering the living ground with impermeable surfaces.

Anonymous

12/06/2023 06:12 PM

The two rows of horizontal log seating (#4 in Option 3) allows for people to sit facing each other or in groups, which is much more

social than single row seating. Is there any way a permeable surface could be used instead of asphalt or concrete paving - like a metal/plastic grid with fine gravel fill - to improve water absorption and as a softer surface for pedestrians and children?

Anonymous

12/06/2023 07:40 PM

Make as much use of organic seating (logs, wooden stools) as possible

Anonymous

12/06/2023 08:31 PM

IF I have this right, option three has the most public seating. I think this invites not only those involved in "teaching" but others wandering through to sit and also it might lead to innovative community events in this space. Could it be reserved/rented for things like summer solstice gatherings or small musical events?

Anonymous

12/06/2023 09:01 PM

Please don't use logs! Logs were used in the natural playground at Cootes Paradise School, they were not adequately maintained and they are all rotting and unsafe now.

Anonymous

12/06/2023 09:07 PM

I feel like people will fight for any seating that has a back on it.

Anonymous

12/07/2023 04:55 AM

Hoping the lighting will be motion based so as not to interfere with tree and plant growth cycles but enough to deter human stupidity. Hoping lights don't aim into households.

Anonymous

12/12/2023 08:08 AM

All options look good !

Anonymous

12/18/2023 07:36 PM

In past areas that have used logs, they have deteriorated more quickly than anticipated. Option 1 minimizes this.

Anonymous

12/19/2023 01:26 PM

Low obstacles are difficult to see at night & constitute tripping hazards to runners. Concrete/asphalt have high GHG footprint and low permeability.

Anonymous

12/19/2023 10:37 PM

Tree in the middle is important to provide shade and focal point. Rock seating is more durable than logs or stumps that will rot and need to be replaced regularly.

Anonymous

12/22/2023 12:57 PM

Please put a fenced leash free dog area somewhere in the plan for Churchill park. It seems absurd that with the dogs in the catchment area that you would not balance city spending making the space safe and enjoyable for all users.

Anonymous

12/24/2023 10:01 AM

I like either of the plans with a tree planting in the middle. However, my question is how will you protect the tree from root compaction and breakage from kids hanging on it and walking around it. If you have no plans to protect the tree then I would choose Option 3.

Anonymous

12/24/2023 07:08 PM

All of these seem fine

Anonymous

12/25/2023 03:41 AM

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Anonymous

12/26/2023 10:54 AM

All 3 designs look excellent!

Anonymous

1/01/2024 01:02 PM

Options 1 & 2 appear to have a tree planted in the centre which looks like it would impede the view across the space. If this is meant to be an informal teaching area, it makes sense to me that people could see across the space. Am keen to have a space that is (a) as accessible as possible for all community members and (b) as environmentally friendly as possible. Though beyond the scope of this survey I would really like to see an off-leash dog park in a section of Churchill Park (ideally by the Princess Point access). I visit the park multiple times a week (as I live steps away) and there are constantly dog owners who let their dogs off-leash. This is disrespectful of the space and of those who want to use the space and not be approached by unfamiliar dogs. A designated space would give these dog owners an area to enjoy while allowing others to enjoy the space fully too.

Anonymous

1/01/2024 07:14 PM

It seems odd to have a tree right in the middle - I chose option 3 mostly because there is no tree in the centre. It also seems to have a bit more seating.

Anonymous

1/02/2024 11:36 AM

I like the mix of seating materials (rocks can get cold in winter! Logs are better in the cold), as well as the single seats which makes things like social distancing easier in the case of illnesses.

Anonymous

1/02/2024 05:15 PM

I love wood, however, at our school, logs get rolled away and disorganized, I prefer a more permanent structure.

Anonymous

1/02/2024 10:26 PM

Natural materials, no concrete no asphalt please.

Anonymous

1/03/2024 01:28 AM

No fake turf please!!

Anonymous

1/03/2024 01:43 PM

The tree in the center gives each of the four stages independence and privacy, the multi-rock seating minimizes the community feel and could be a safety hazard with kids jumping from rock to rock.

Anonymous

1/05/2024 01:25 AM

More log seating and individual SINGLE ROCK / EMBEDDED LOG SEATS give kids more interesting ways to play there.

Anonymous

1/10/2024 10:21 AM

The absence of a tree/planting in the centre leaves room for a performance/presentation space and ensures nothing impedes the view from one side of the seating space to the other. The use of rock rather than logs for seating is preferable for longevity.

Anonymous

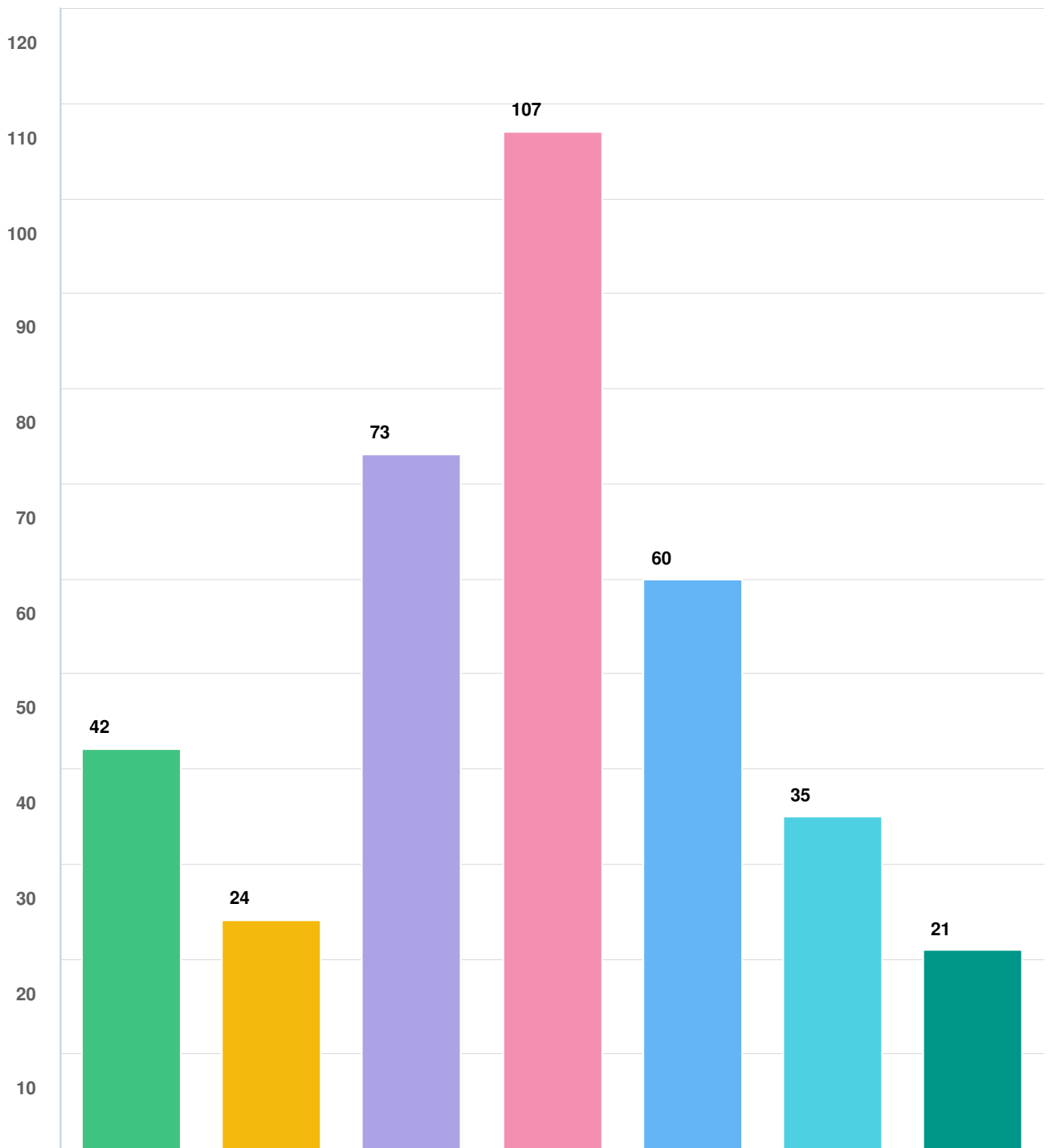
1/10/2024 10:41 AM

The city has a poor track record for maintenance of natural wooden things. Please focus on materials like stone and concrete. Also, the gravel surfaces in Churchill Park tends to accumulate puddles in a way that properly-graded concrete or asphalt generally does not. In general: Churchill park has plenty of "natural" greenspace. If you're going to build something, use hard materials instead of something that feels natural but isn't actually usable. I'd prefer even the worst brutalism to rotting wood.

Optional question (50 response(s), 126 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q3 What are your Preferred Materials? (Check all that apply)

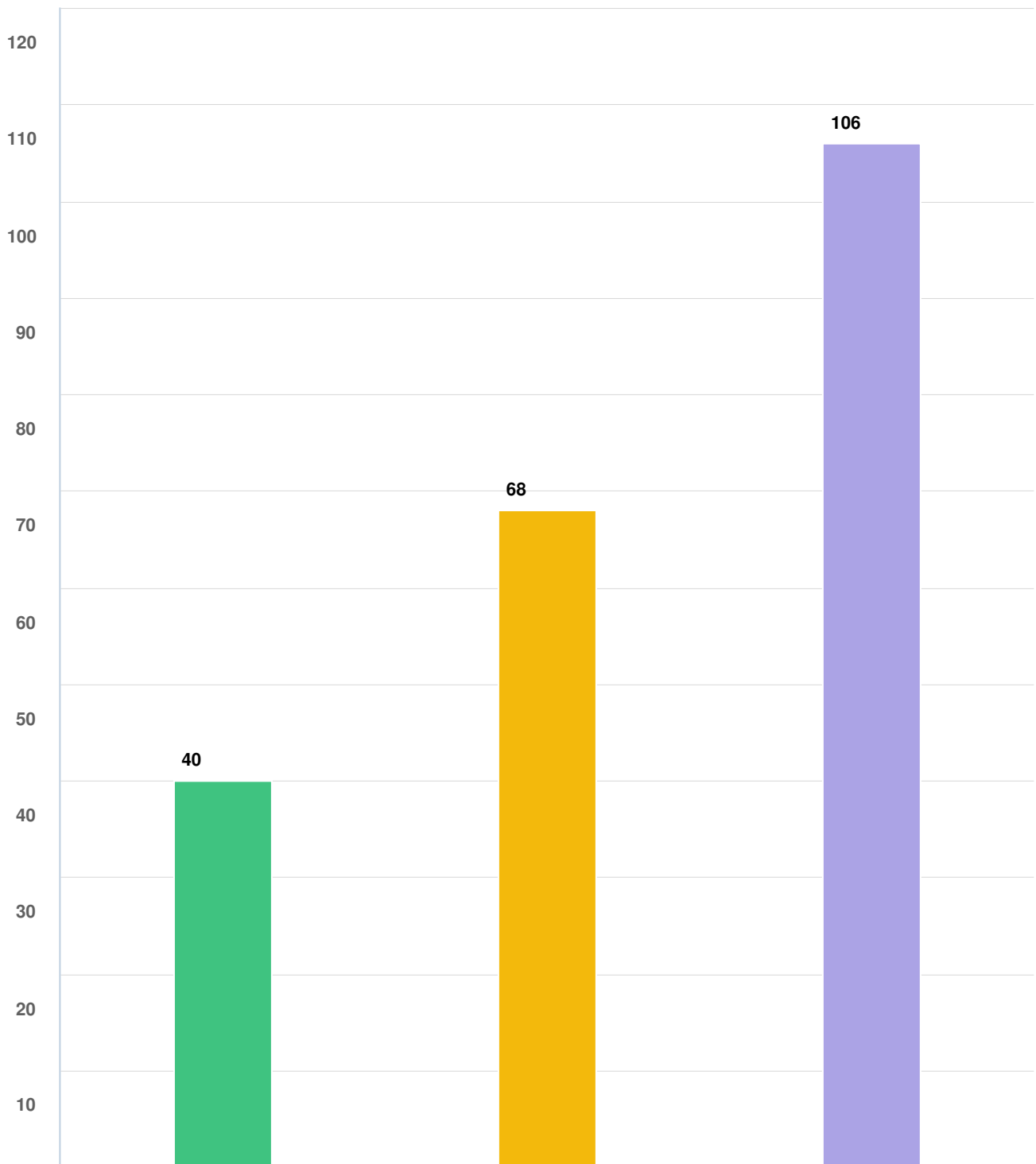


Question options

- Log Stump Seating - Layout 1
- Log Stump Seating - Layout 2
- Tiered Armour Stone - Layout 1
- Tiered Armour Stone - Layout 2
- Milled Log Bench
- Curved Lumber Bench
- Horizontal Log Seating - Layout 1

Optional question (176 response(s), 0 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question

Q4 What is your Preferred Hard Surfacing? (Check all that apply)

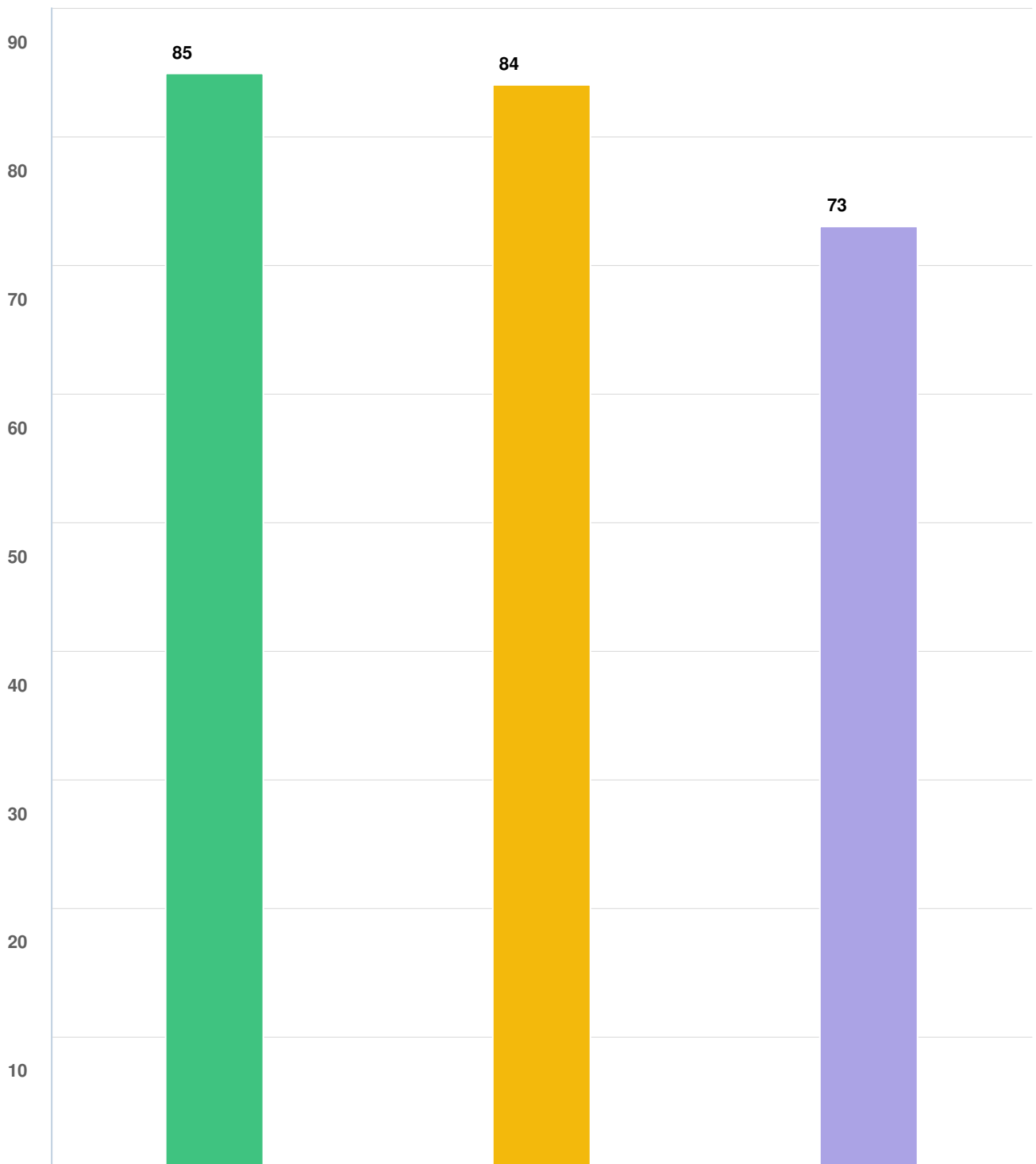


Question options

- Asphalt
- Concrete
- Stabilized Limestone Screenings

Optional question (173 response(s), 3 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question

Q5 What is your Preferred Soft Surfacing? (Check all that apply)

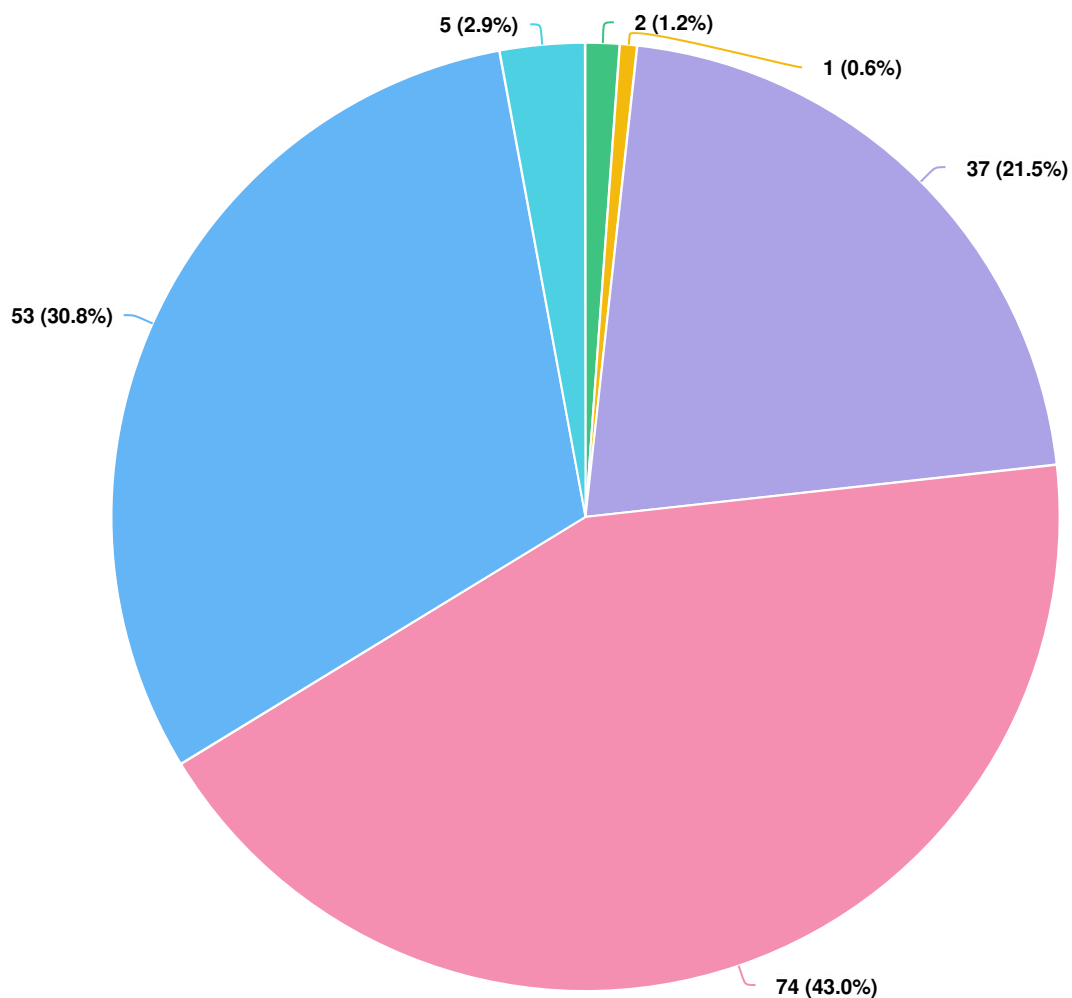


Question options

- Stabilized Limestone Screenings
- Mulch
- Sod

Optional question (171 response(s), 5 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question

Q6 Your Age

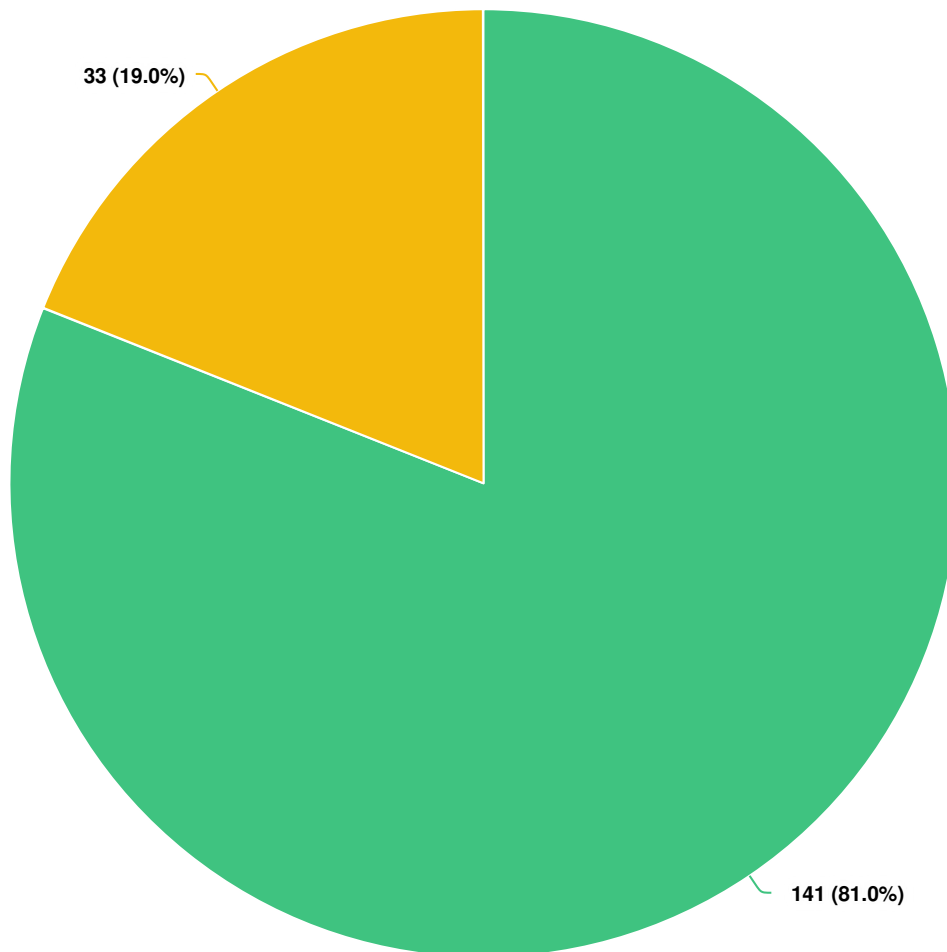


Question options

- Under 11 years old
- 12 to 17 years old
- 18 to 34 years old
- 35 to 54 years old
- Over 55 years old
- Prefer not to say

Optional question (172 response(s), 4 skipped)
Question type: Dropdown Question

Q7 | Do you live in the Churchill Park neighbourhood?

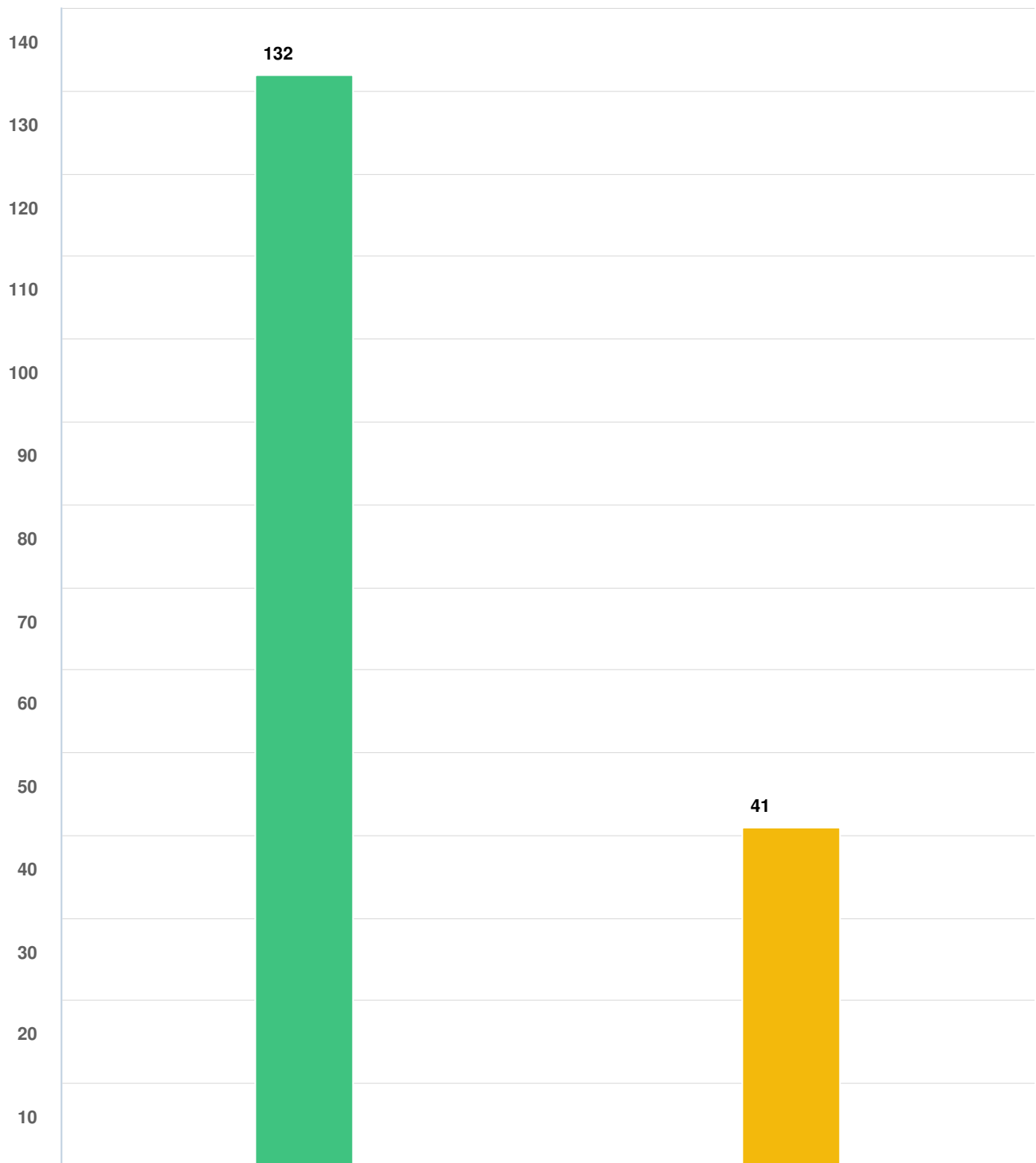


Question options

- Yes
- No

Optional question (174 response(s), 2 skipped)
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q8 How often do you use the park?



Question options

- I visit frequently (usually once a week or more)
- I visit occasionally (less than once a week)

Optional question (172 response(s), 4 skipped)
Question type: Checkbox Question