



TOWN OF PARADISE

T'RAILWAY CONSULTATION

Public Meeting: sharing ideas about the T'Railway in Paradise

Tuesday, March 10th 2020 7pm



Proposed: Recreational use of 6 km section of T'Railway in Town of Paradise



Background

- In 2020, the Town is planning to complete upgrades to the section of the T'Railway trail within Paradise (McNamara Drive west to the Paradise / CBS boundary).
- Funding has been approved by the Trans Canada Trail Foundation to undertake improvements for non-motorized use only.
- If the T'Railway remains multi-use, then the Town will have to re-apply for funding to upgrade.
- Before a change in use to non-motorized only the Dept of Tourism, Culture, Industry and Innovation require that the Town undertake a public consultation prior to making this portion of the T'Railway non-motorized.
- Currently, motorized vehicles such as ATVs can use this section of the trail, however, ATVs are not permitted on other portions of the T'Railway within the Town, and the Conception Bay South and Mount Pearl sections outside the Paradise boundary.

Future Growth of Town in Vicinity of T'Railway



PMD=Planned
Mixed
Development;

RR=Rural
Residential;

PU=Public Use;

CDA=Comprehe
nsive
Development
Area;

OSR=Open
Space
Recreation;

RMD=Residential
Medium Density

Two Phased Approach to Consultation

1.T'RAILWAY SURVEY:

- Launched on Feb 05; Closed on March 4, 2020.
- Promoted by the Town on social media channels.
- Presentation of results at Public Forum and on Town website.

2.PUBLIC FORUM:

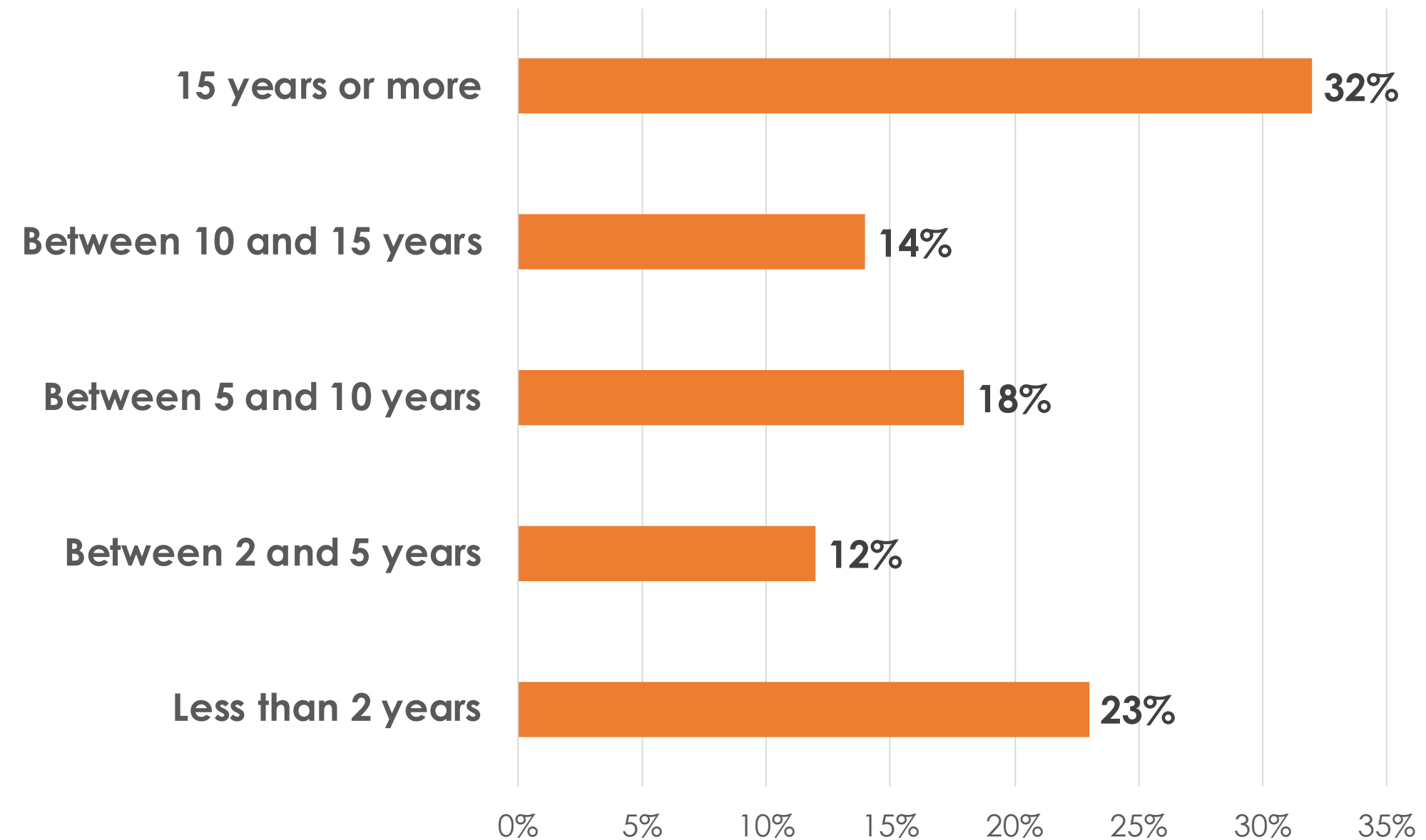
- March 10, 2020
- Public consultation report available on Town website

Survey Results

1. How long have you lived in the Town of Paradise?

**Total Number of
Respondents: 1,186**

Number of non-residents:
28

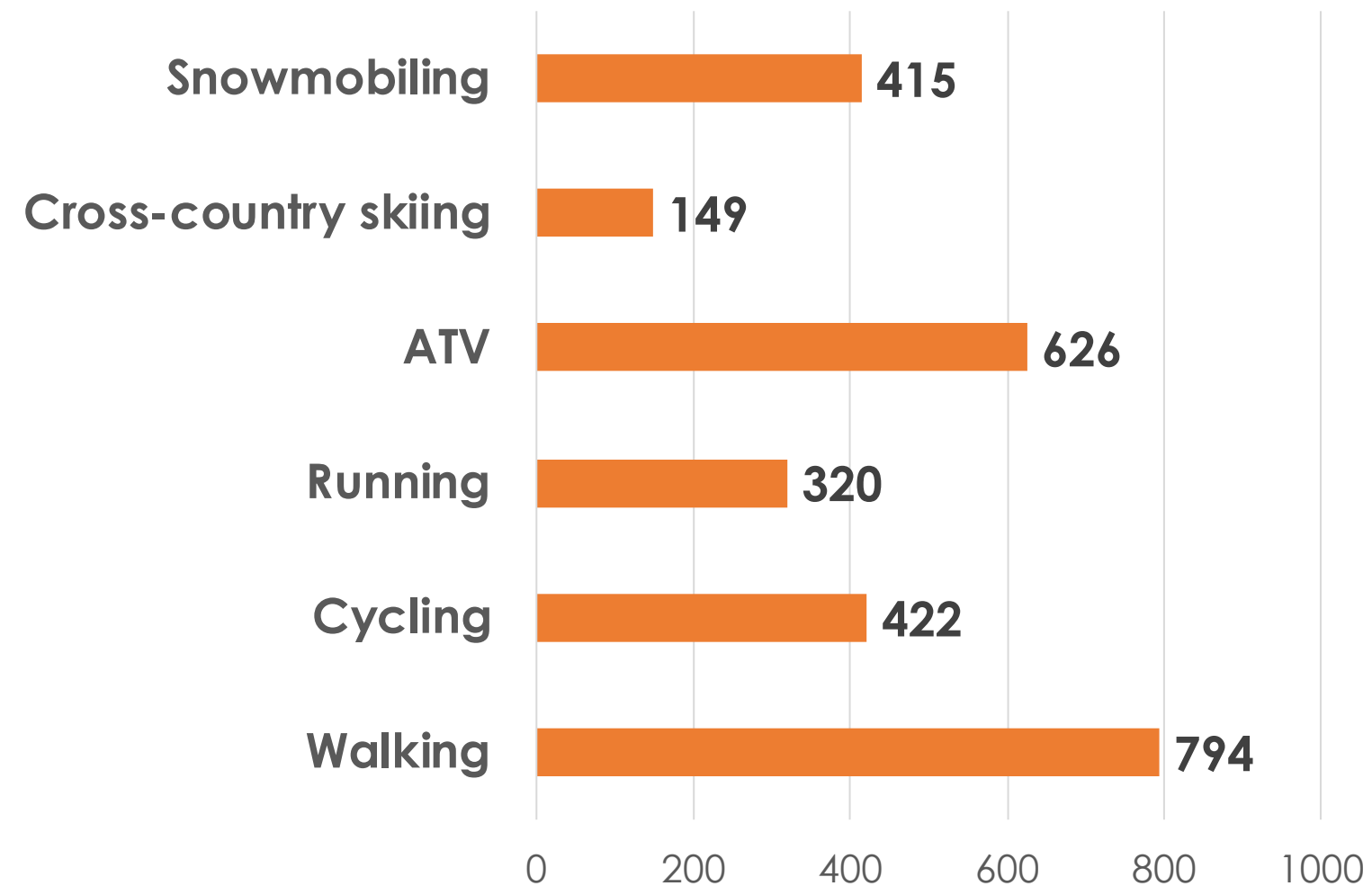


Survey Results

2. Do you use the T’Railway for any of the following recreational activities (please check all that apply):

Total motorized: 1,041
38%

Total non-motorized: 1,685
62%



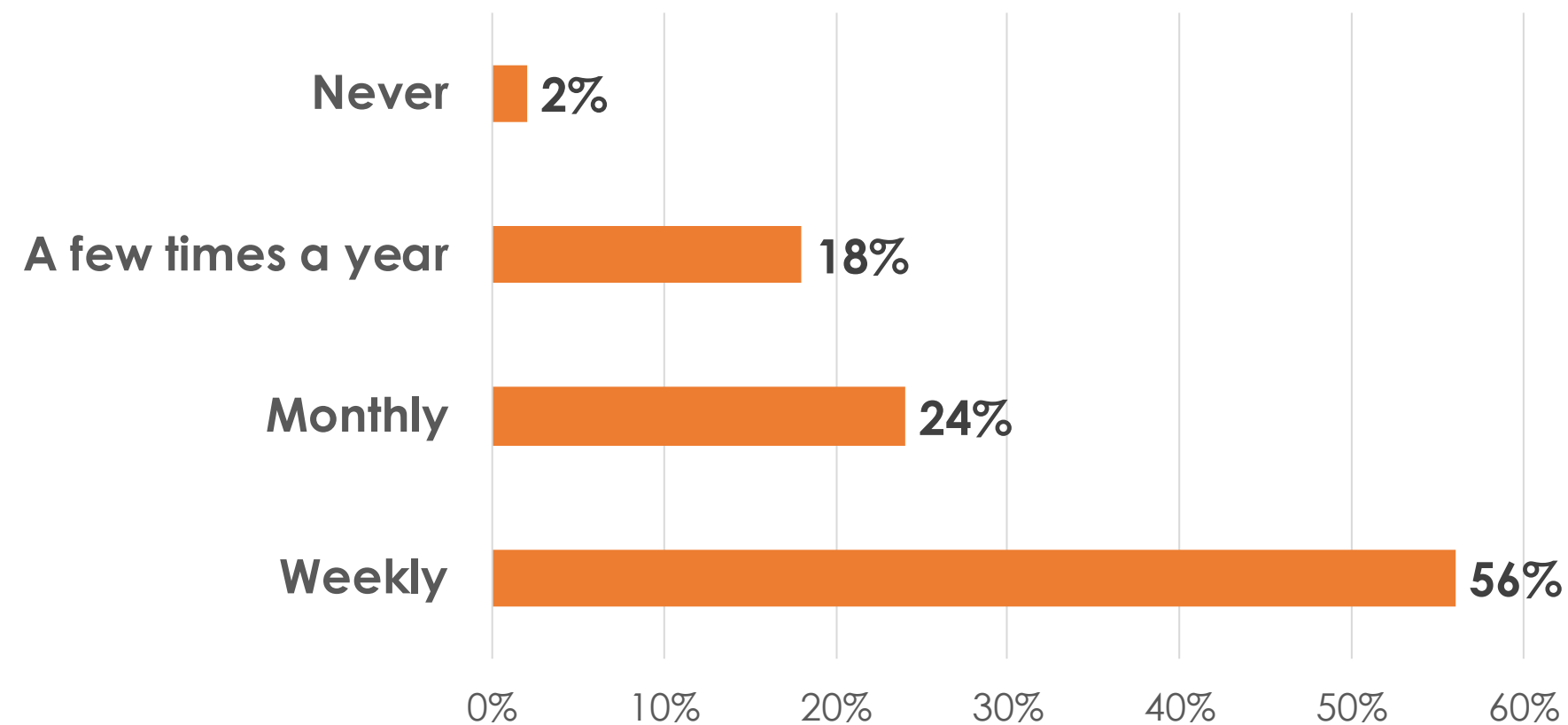
Survey Results

3. Do you use this portion of the T'Railway?

YES – 95.5%

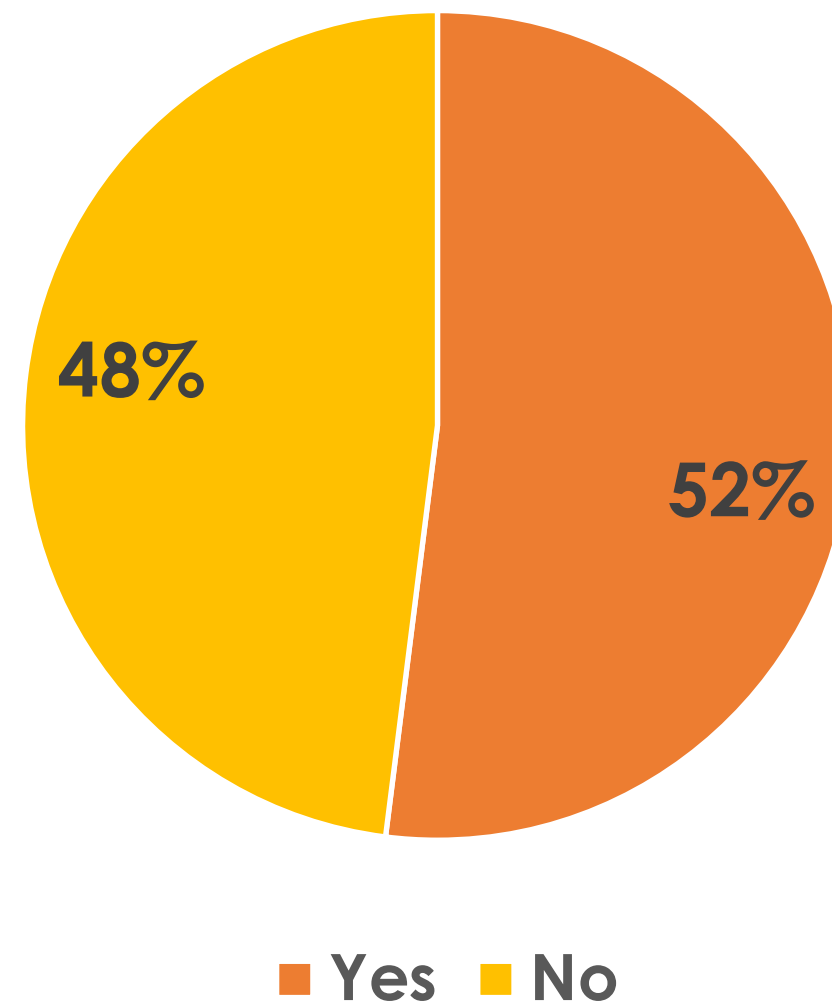
NO – 4.5%

4. If Yes, how frequently do you use the T'Railway?



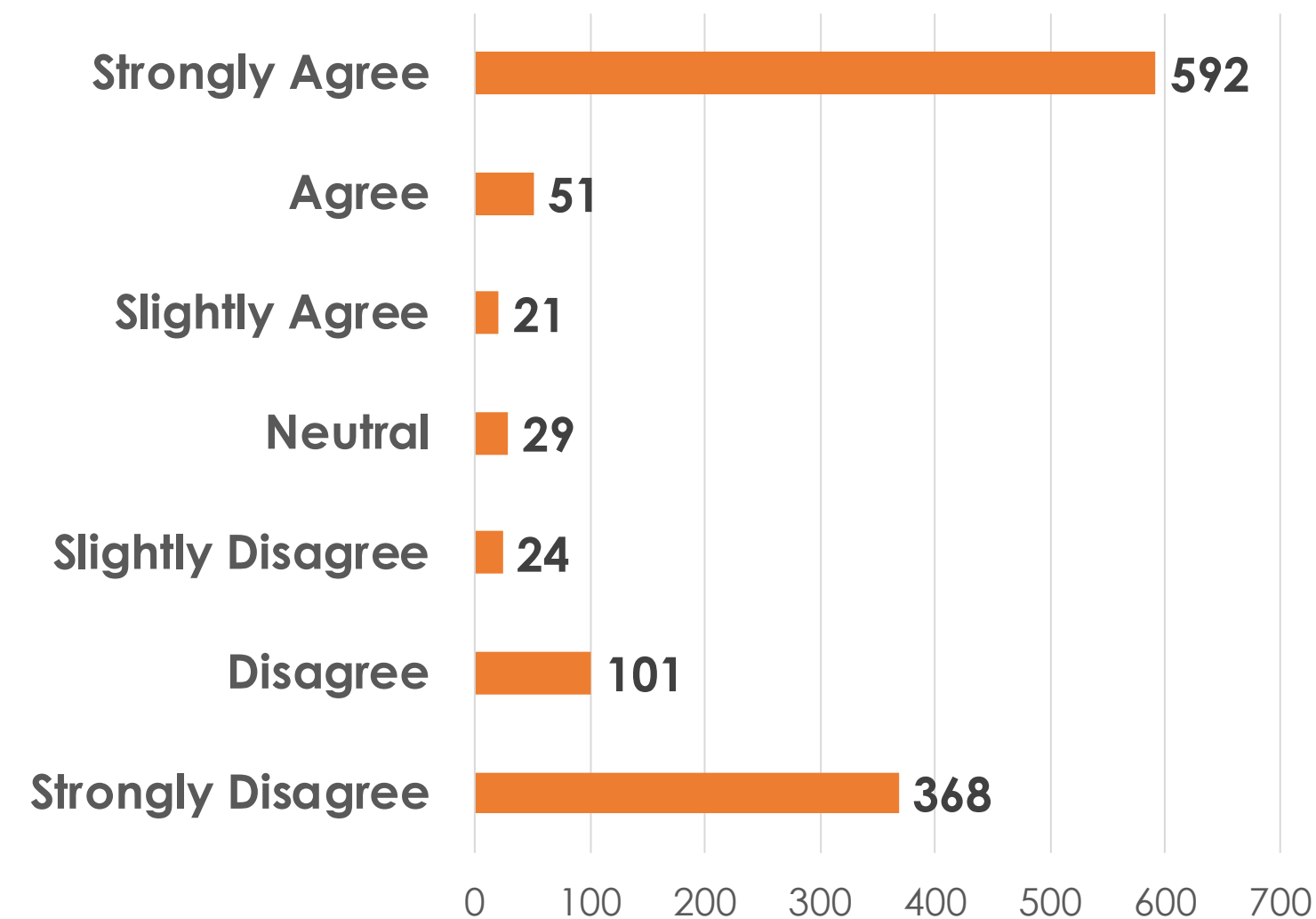
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5. If the T'Railway was upgraded and made non- motorized, would you use it?



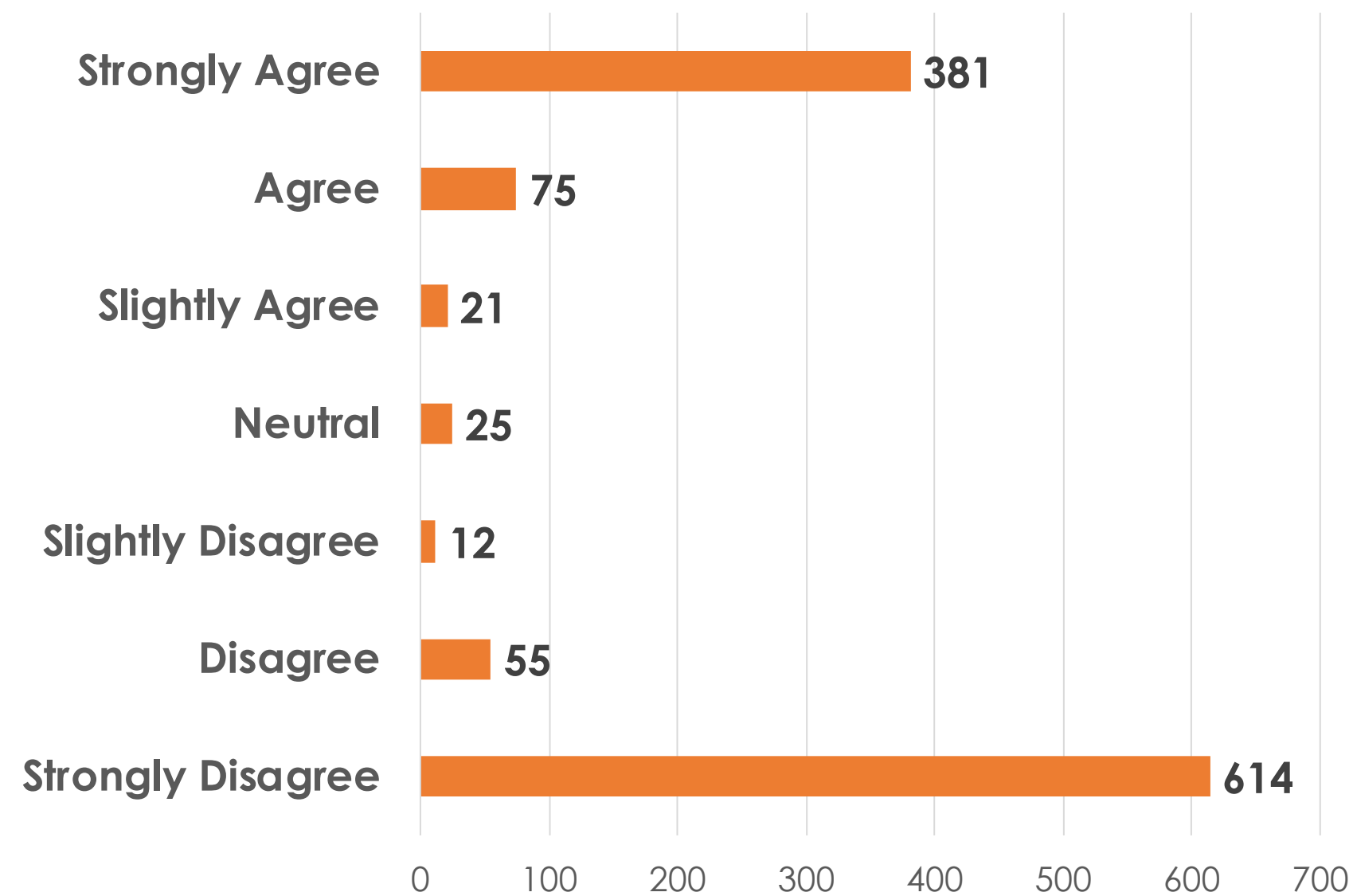
Survey Results

6.1. This portion of the T’Railway should remain as a multi-use trail for both motorized and non-motorized users.



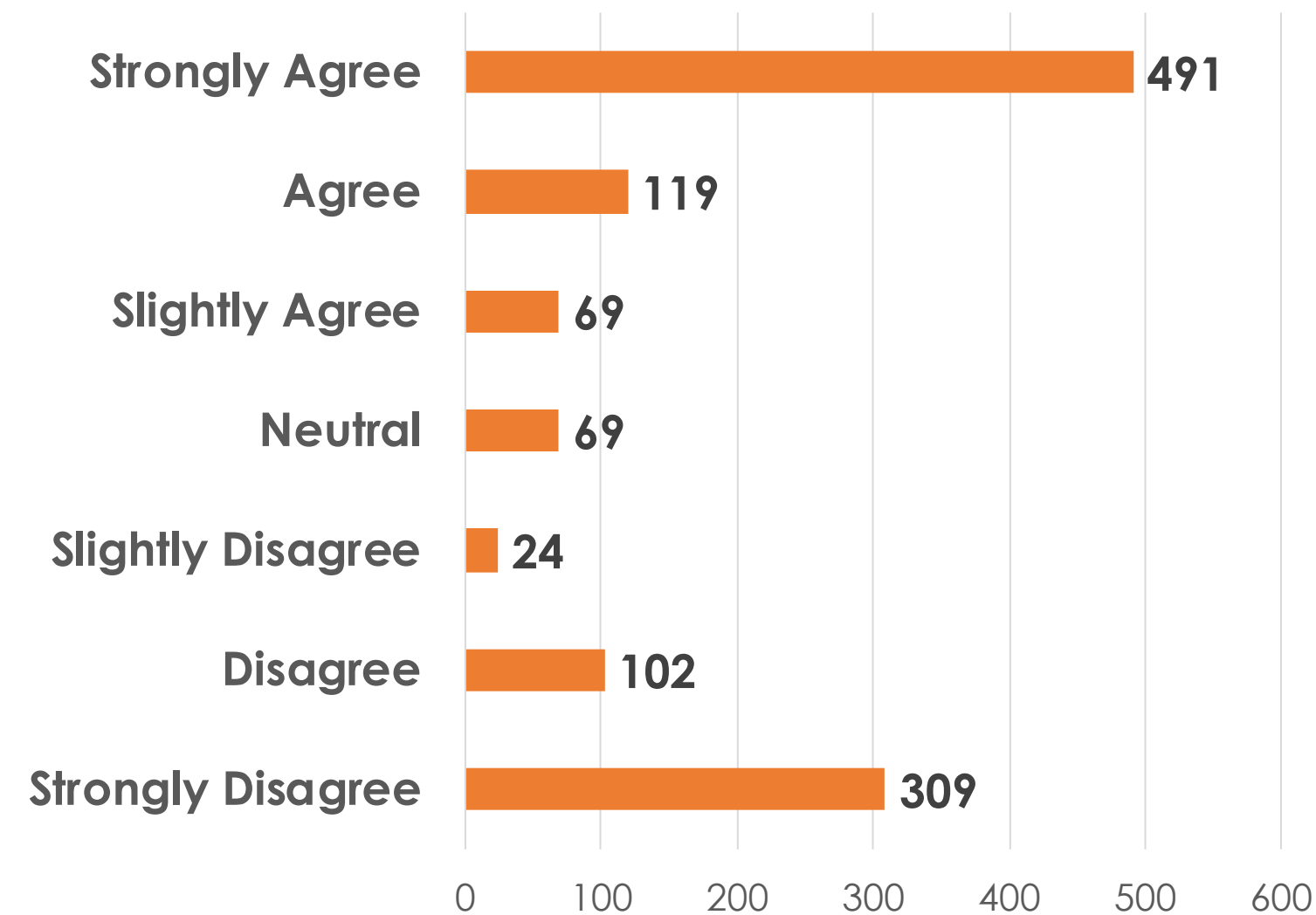
Survey Results

6.2. This portion of the T’Railway should be designated as a non-motorized recreational trail.



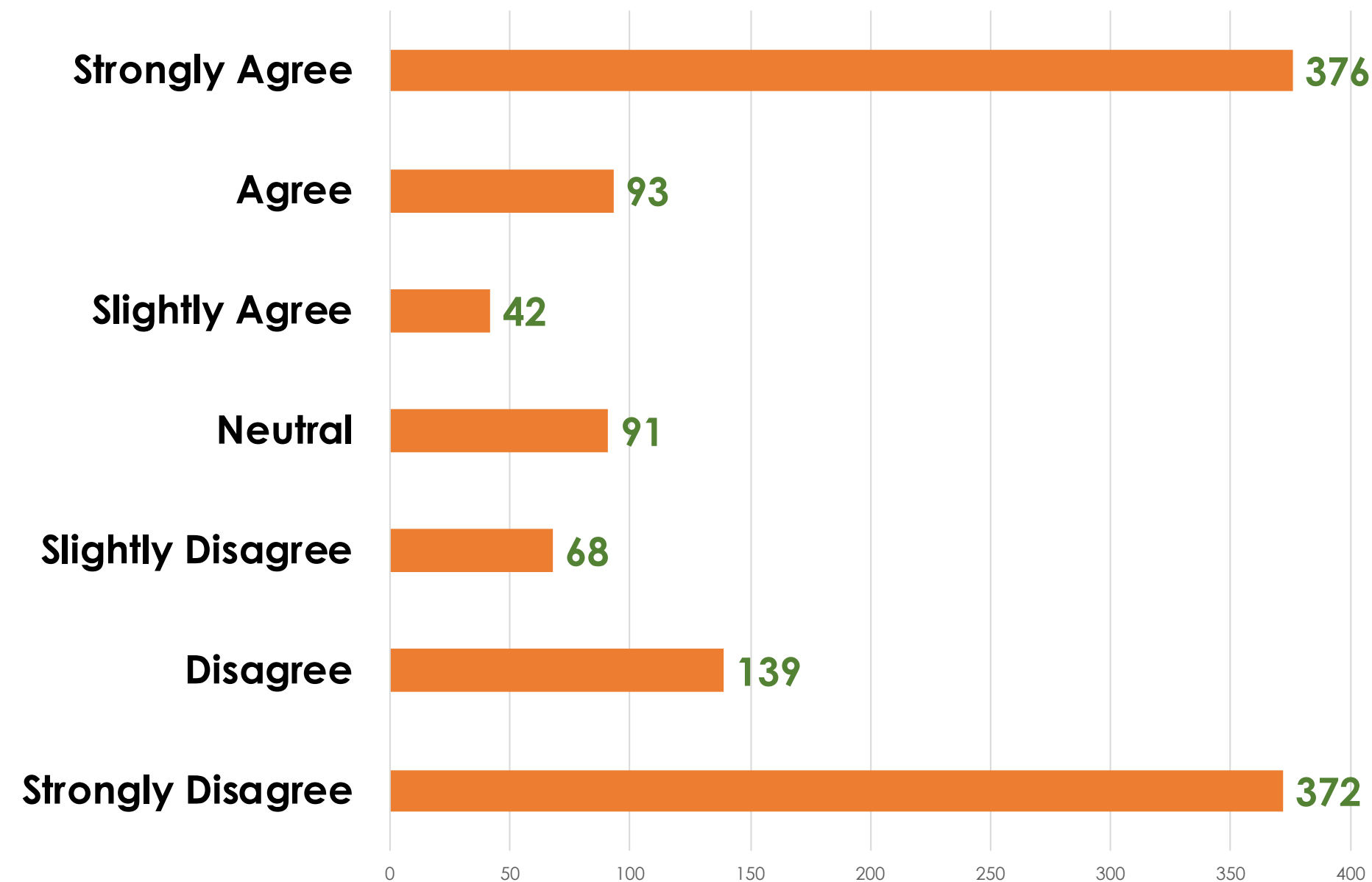
Survey Results

6.3. The Town should invest in widening this portion of the T’Railway to accommodate ATV use in order to facilitate multi-use.



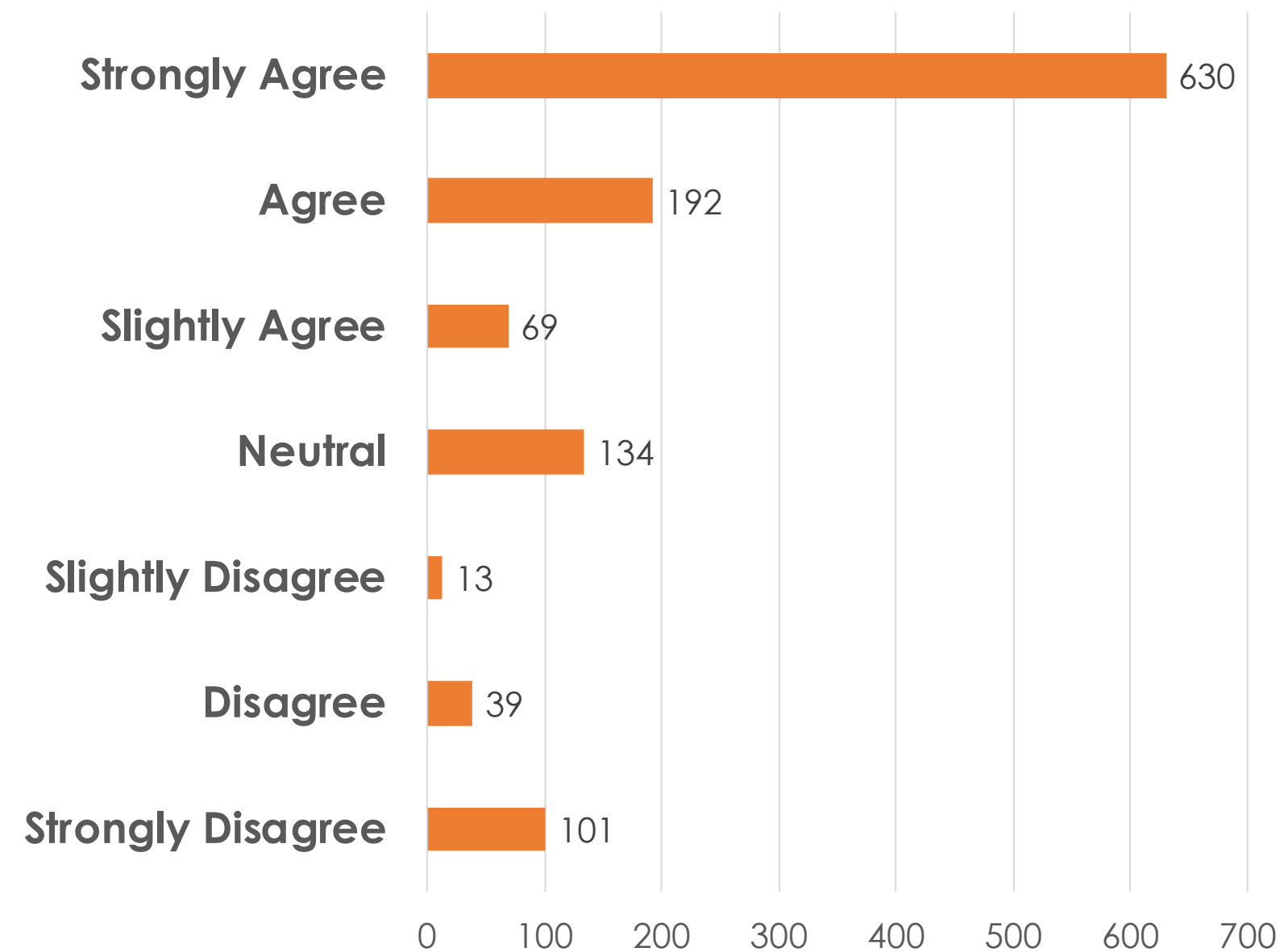
Survey Results

6.4. It is not safe to have ATVs on the same trail as walkers, cyclists and joggers.



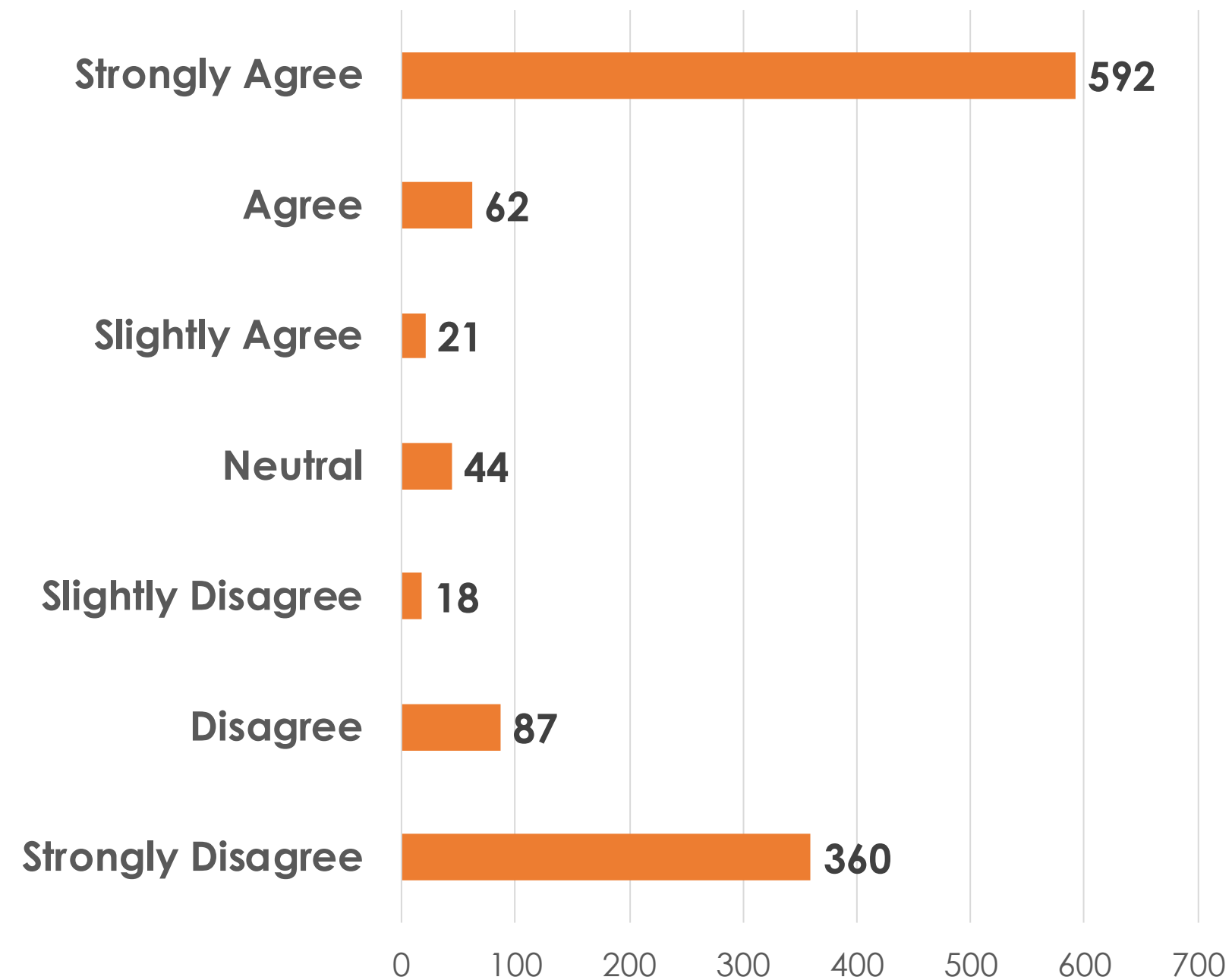
Survey Results

6.5. The Town should prepare a Strategy for ATVs in the community.



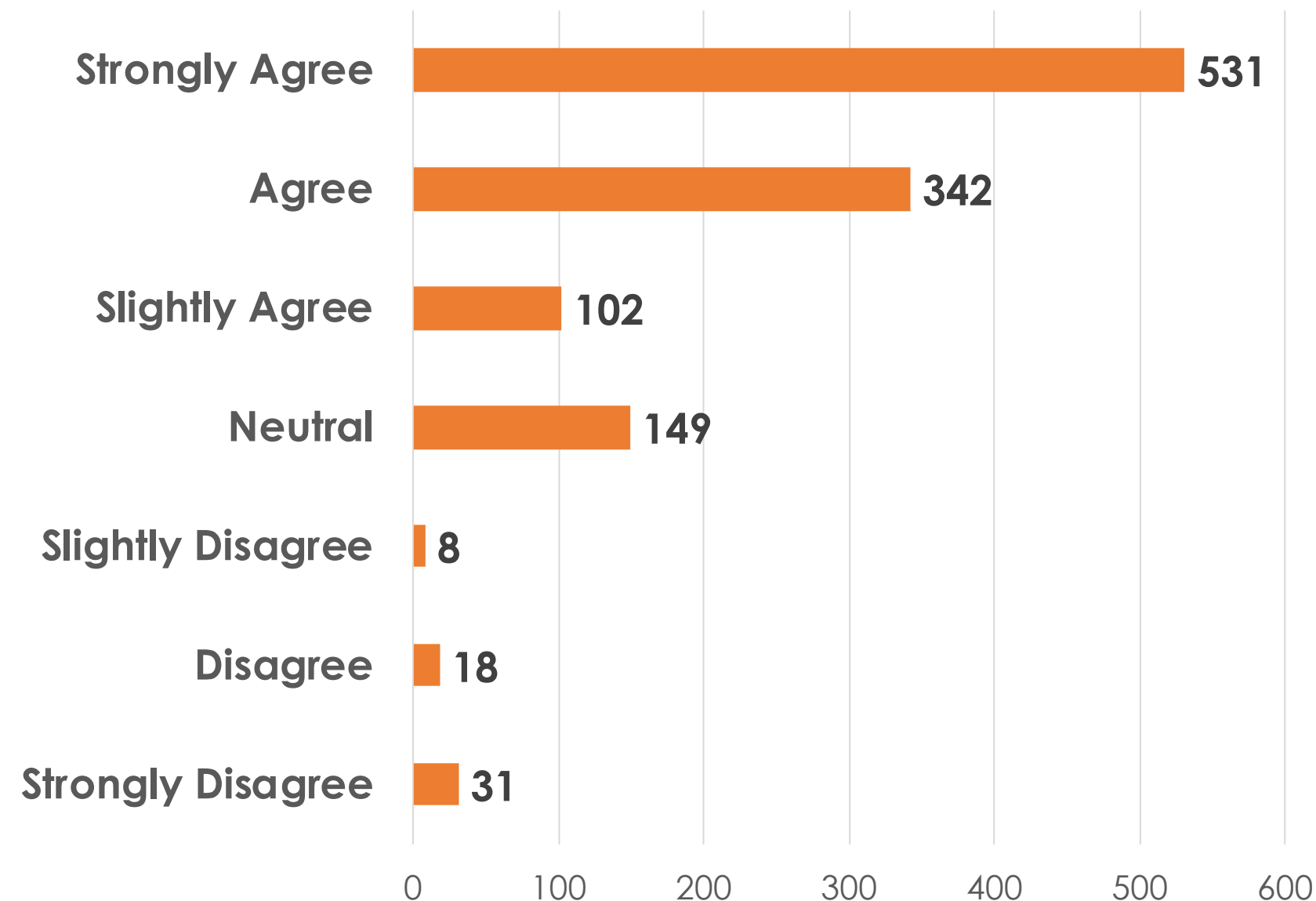
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6.6. ATV use should be allowed on this portion of the T’Railway.



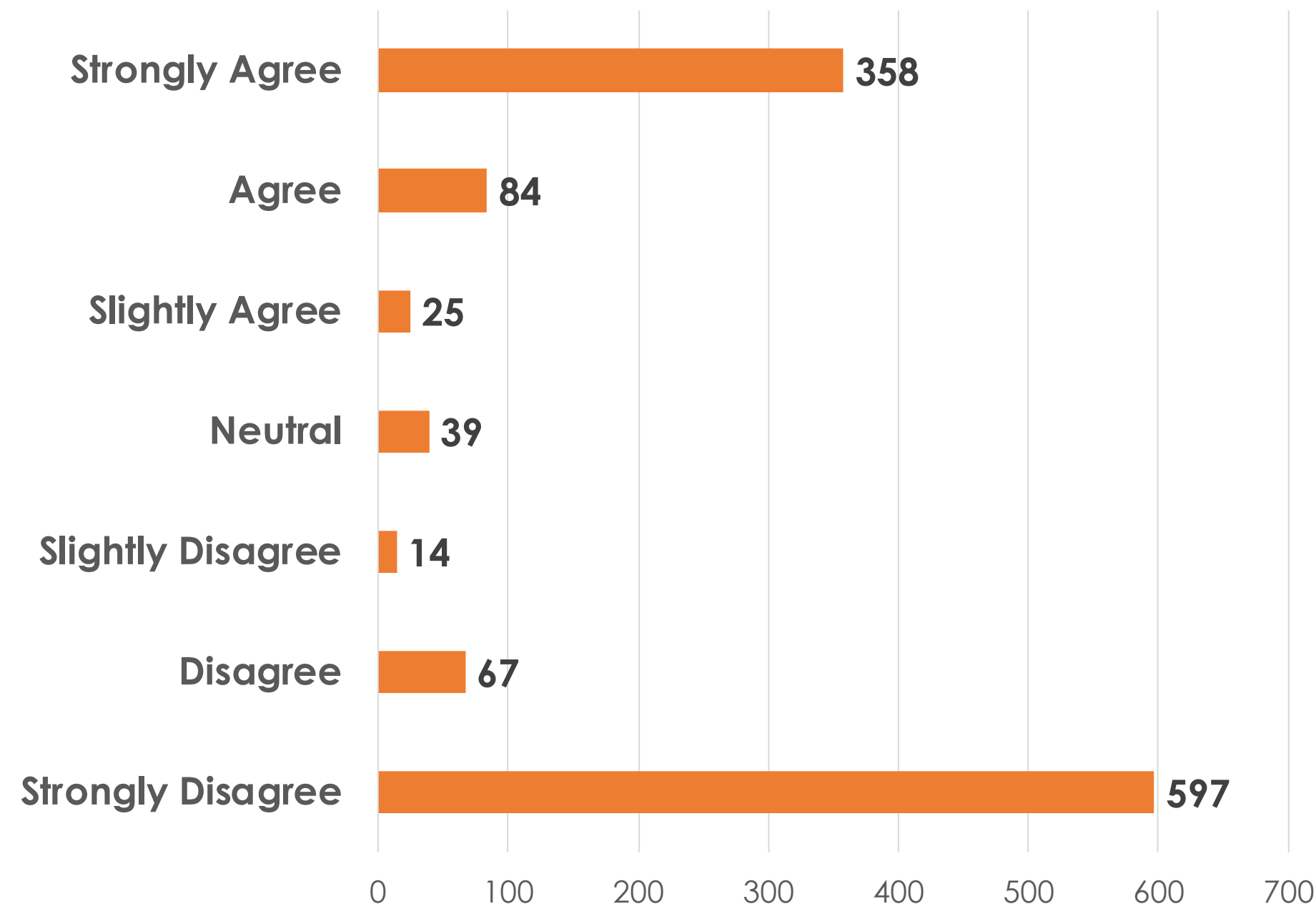
Survey Results

6.7. The Town needs more signage to indicate multi-use trails or single use trails so that residents are aware of their choices when determining outdoor trail-related activities.



Survey Results

6.8. This portion of the T’Railway should be for non-motorized trail use only.



Survey Results

7. Have you encountered ATV users on this portion of the T'Railway?

YES - 91%

NO - 9%

8. Was there any conflict or negative experience from your encounter with an ATV on this portion of the T'Railway?

YES - 26%

NO - 74%

Survey Results

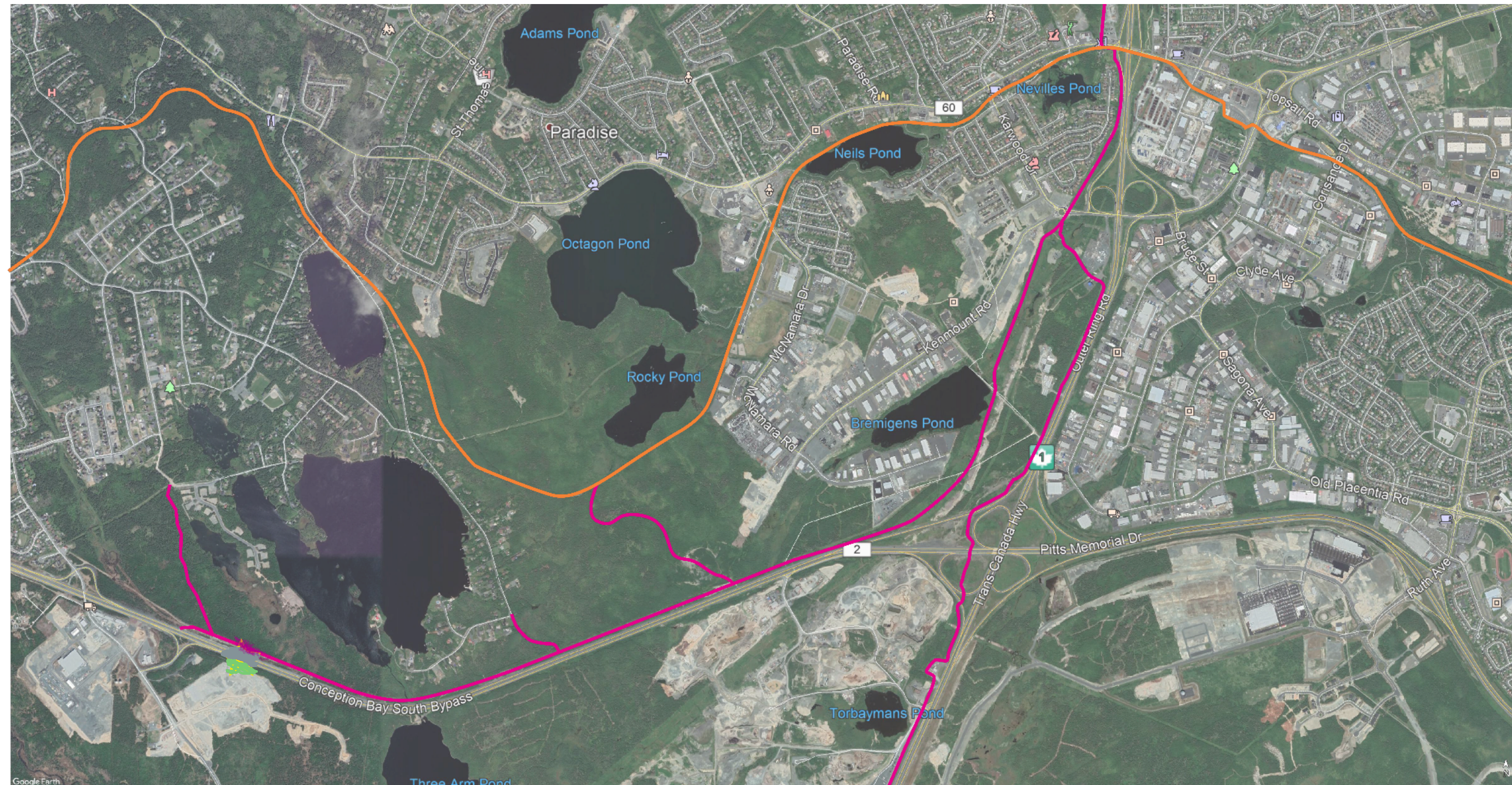
If yes, to above question: WORDCLOUD of responses



**Question 10: Are there any suggestions you would like to offer
regarding use of this portion of the T’Railway?
SUMMARY OF COMMENTS**

CATEGORIES OF ANSWERS		Sub-totals	
• Non-motorized		210	35%
○ No ATVs	183		
○ Non-Motorized – improve trails	27		
• Pro-Motorized		258	43%
○ Support Motorized (ATV) use	87		
○ Multi-use: support motorized and non-motorized use	147		
○ Do nothing (leave as is)	10		
○ ATV only – non-motorized barred	3		
○ Improve trails for both	11		
• Comments ‘not stating’ for motorized or non-motorized		132	22%
○ Safety	32		
○ Signage	17		
○ Improve trail	17		
○ Ban dirt bikes	3		
○ Need strategy for trails (including ‘accommodate Motorized and Non-motorized use – but separately’)	63		(10.5%)
• No comment	50		
		600	100%

Existing ATV Routes



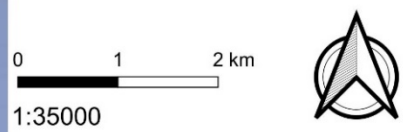
- ATV Trail (Informal)
- T'Railway

ATV Use – Paradise T’Railway

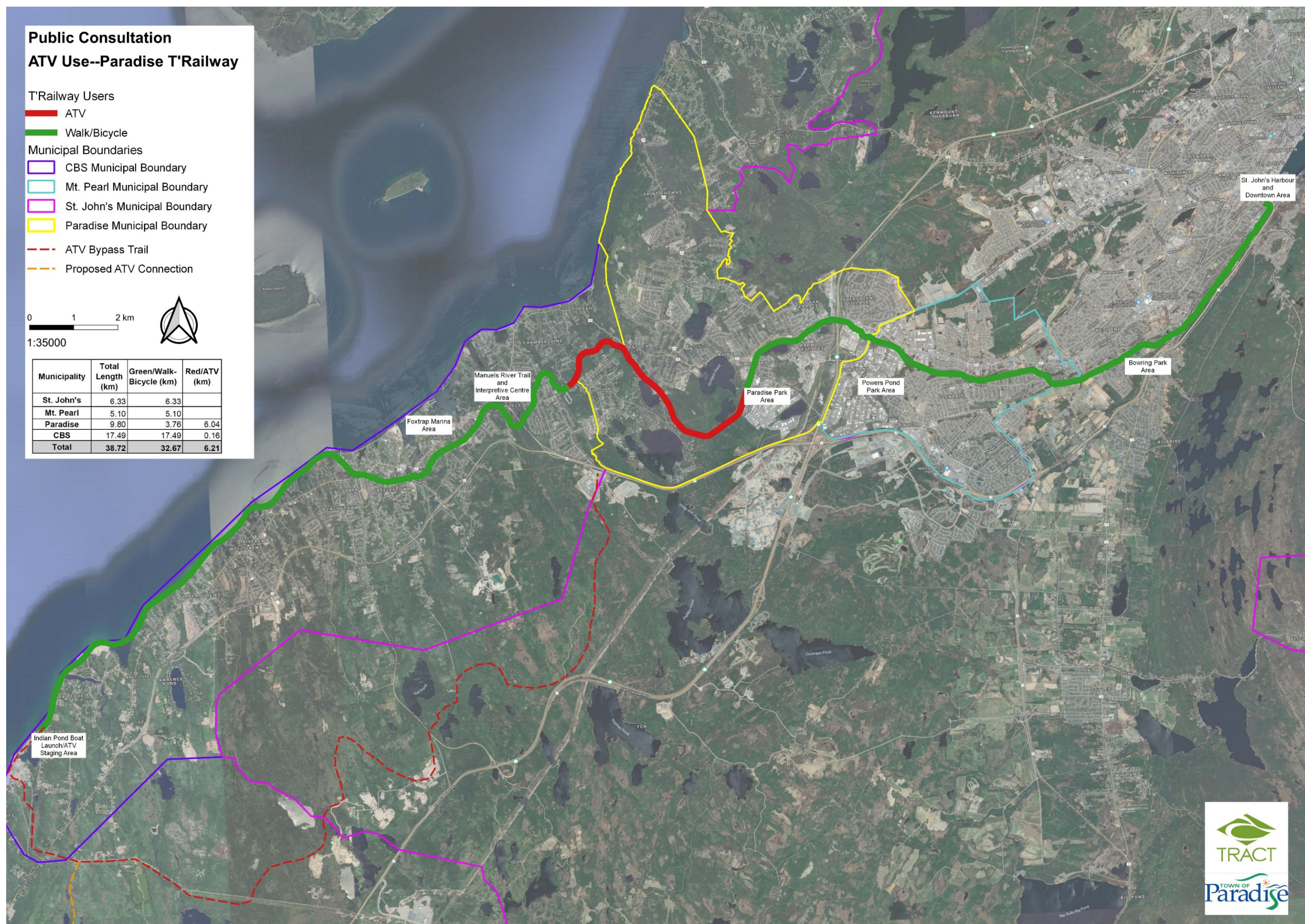
Public Consultation ATV Use--Paradise T’Railway

T’Railway Users

- ATV
- Walk/Bicycle
- Municipal Boundaries
 - CBS Municipal Boundary
 - Mt. Pearl Municipal Boundary
 - St. John's Municipal Boundary
 - Paradise Municipal Boundary
- ATV Bypass Trail
- Proposed ATV Connection



Municipality	Total Length (km)	Green/Walk-Bicycle (km)	Red/ATV (km)
St. John's	6.33	6.33	
Mt. Pearl	5.10	5.10	
Paradise	9.80	3.76	6.04
CBS	17.49	17.49	0.16
Total	38.72	32.67	6.21



Resident Participation

Community Feedback Q+A

Next Steps

1. Completion of Public Consultation Report.
2. Posting of Consultation Report on website.
3. Council consideration of Consultation Report.
4. The Town provides a recommendation to the Dept. of Tourism, Culture, Industry and Innovation regarding the recreational use of the 6km of T'Railway being discussed.