



Engage Loyalist

## Form Results Summary

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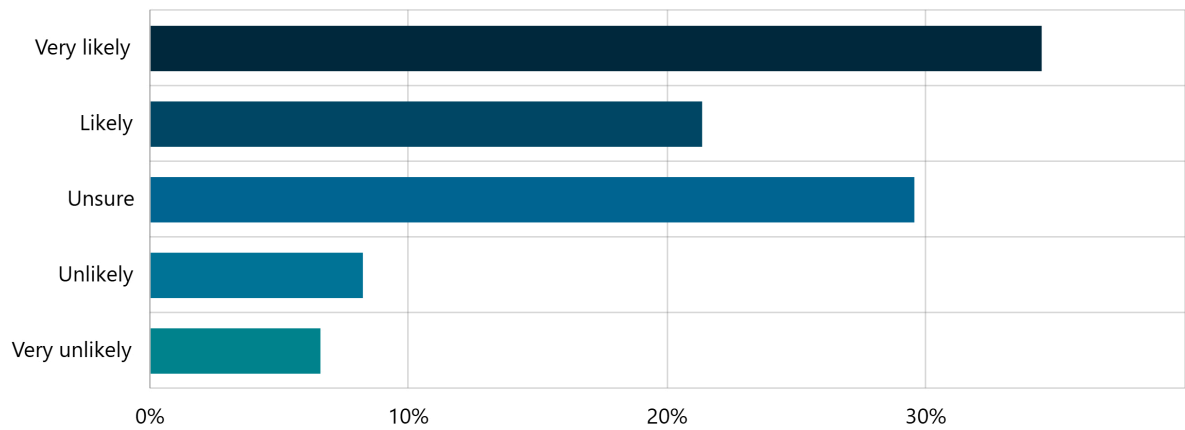
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## Contribution Summary

### 1. How likely are you to use a community garden in Loyalist Township? Required

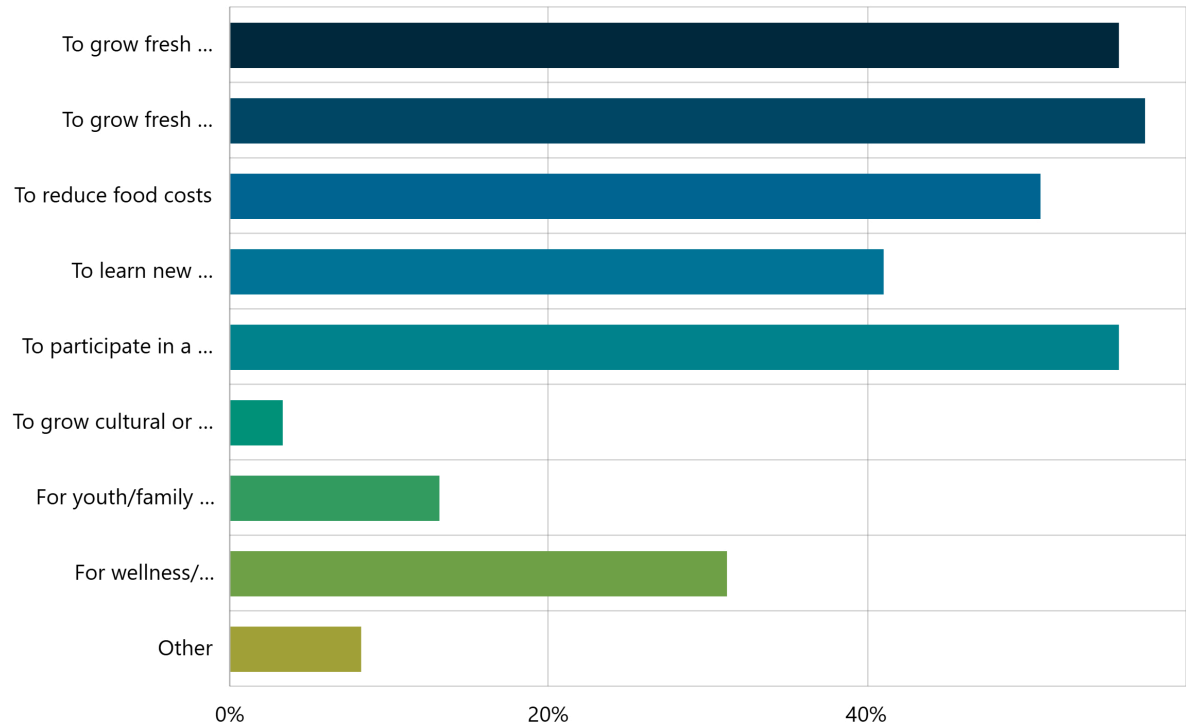
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| Answer choices | Percent | Count |
|----------------|---------|-------|
| Very likely    | 34.43%  | 21    |
| Likely         | 21.31%  | 13    |
| Unsure         | 29.51%  | 18    |
| Unlikely       | 8.20%   | 5     |
| Very unlikely  | 6.56%   | 4     |
| Total          | 100.00% | 61    |

## 2. What are your primary reasons for participating? (Select all) Required

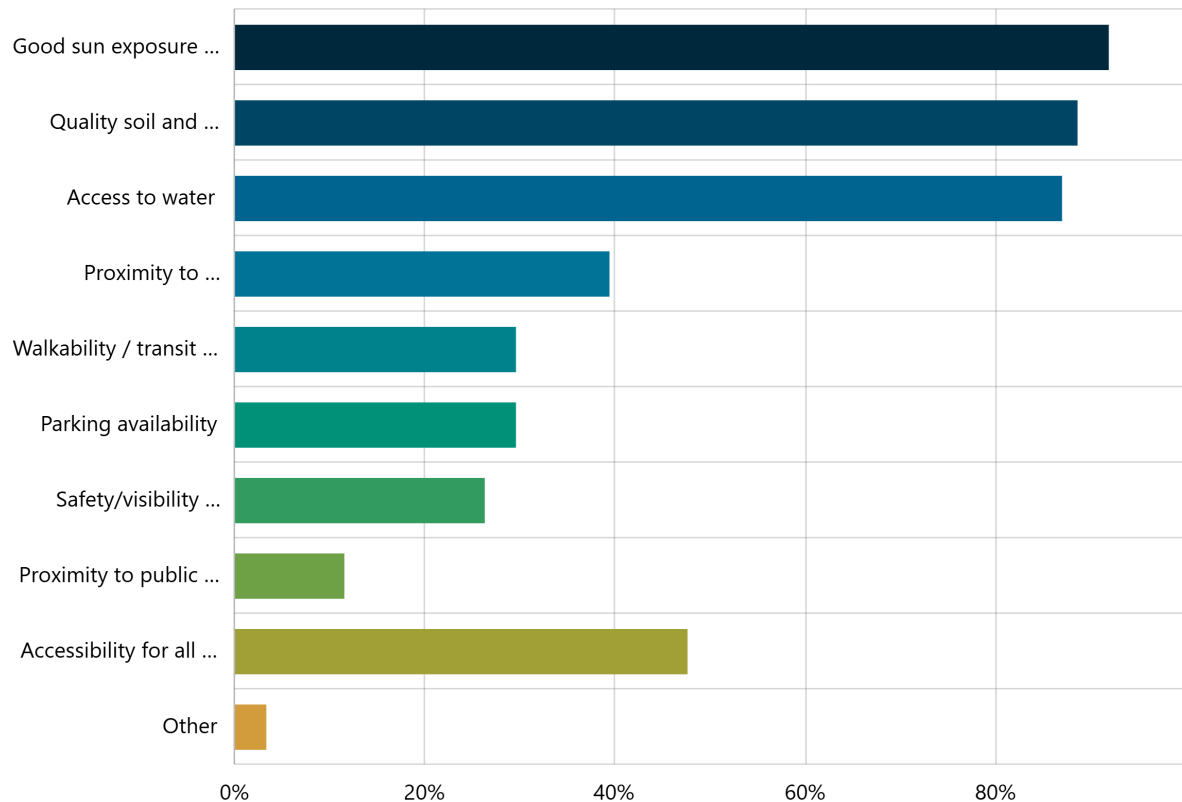
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| Answer choices                                                     | Percent | Count |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-------|
| To grow fresh produce for my personal/household consumption        | 55.74%  | 34    |
| To grow fresh produce in support of others/community organizations | 57.38%  | 35    |
| To reduce food costs                                               | 50.82%  | 31    |
| To learn new gardening skills                                      | 40.98%  | 25    |
| To participate in a community activity                             | 55.74%  | 34    |
| To grow cultural or traditional foods                              | 3.28%   | 2     |
| For youth/family activities                                        | 13.11%  | 8     |
| For wellness/therapeutic reasons                                   | 31.15%  | 19    |
| Other                                                              | 8.20%   | 5     |

### 3. Which factors do you think are most important when selecting a community garden location? (Select up to 5) Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 61 (100%)



| Answer choices                                                    | Percent | Count |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-------|
| Good sun exposure (6+ hours)                                      | 91.80%  | 56    |
| Quality soil and drainage                                         | 88.52%  | 54    |
| Access to water                                                   | 86.89%  | 53    |
| Proximity to residential areas                                    | 39.34%  | 24    |
| Walkability / transit access                                      | 29.51%  | 18    |
| Parking availability                                              | 29.51%  | 18    |
| Safety/visibility (passive surveillance)                          | 26.23%  | 16    |
| Proximity to public facilities (e.g., schools, community centres) | 11.48%  | 7     |
| Accessibility for all users                                       | 47.54%  | 29    |
| Other                                                             | 3.28%   | 2     |

**4. Drop a pin on the map to identify a public park that you feel would be ideal for a community garden.**

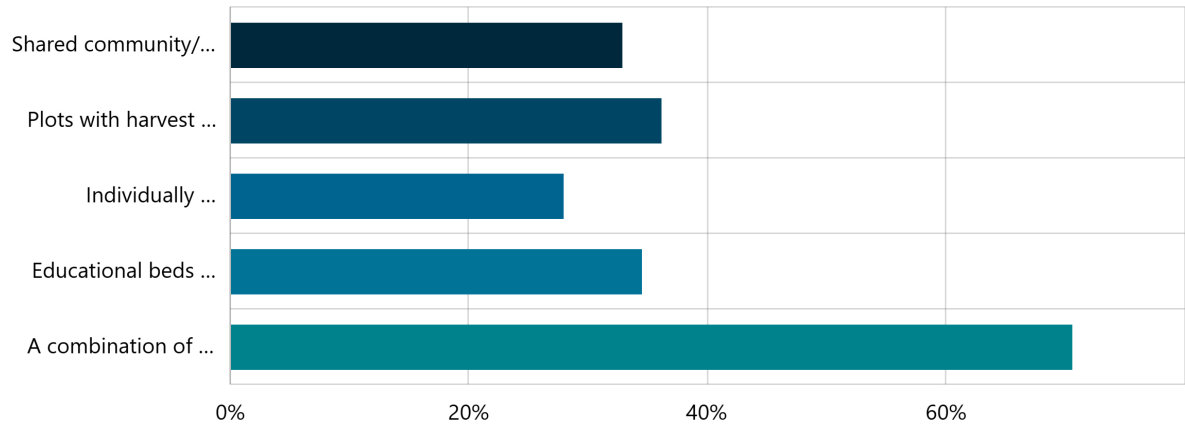
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### 5. What types of plot designs would best meet community needs? (Select all that apply) Required

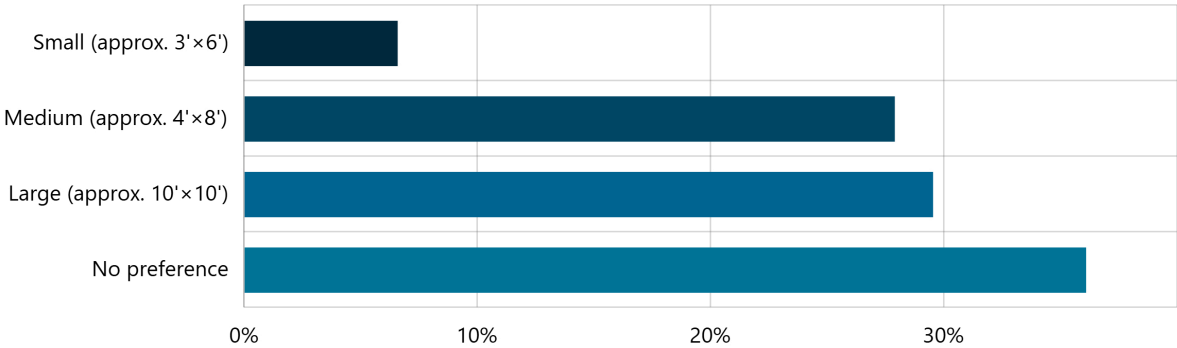
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| Answer choices                                               | Percent | Count |
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| Shared community/communal plots                              | 32.79%  | 20    |
| Plots with harvest designated to support local food programs | 36.07%  | 22    |
| Individually assigned/managed plots                          | 27.87%  | 17    |
| Educational beds (school or youth programs)                  | 34.43%  | 21    |
| A combination of the above                                   | 70.49%  | 43    |

6. What plot sizes would you prefer? Required

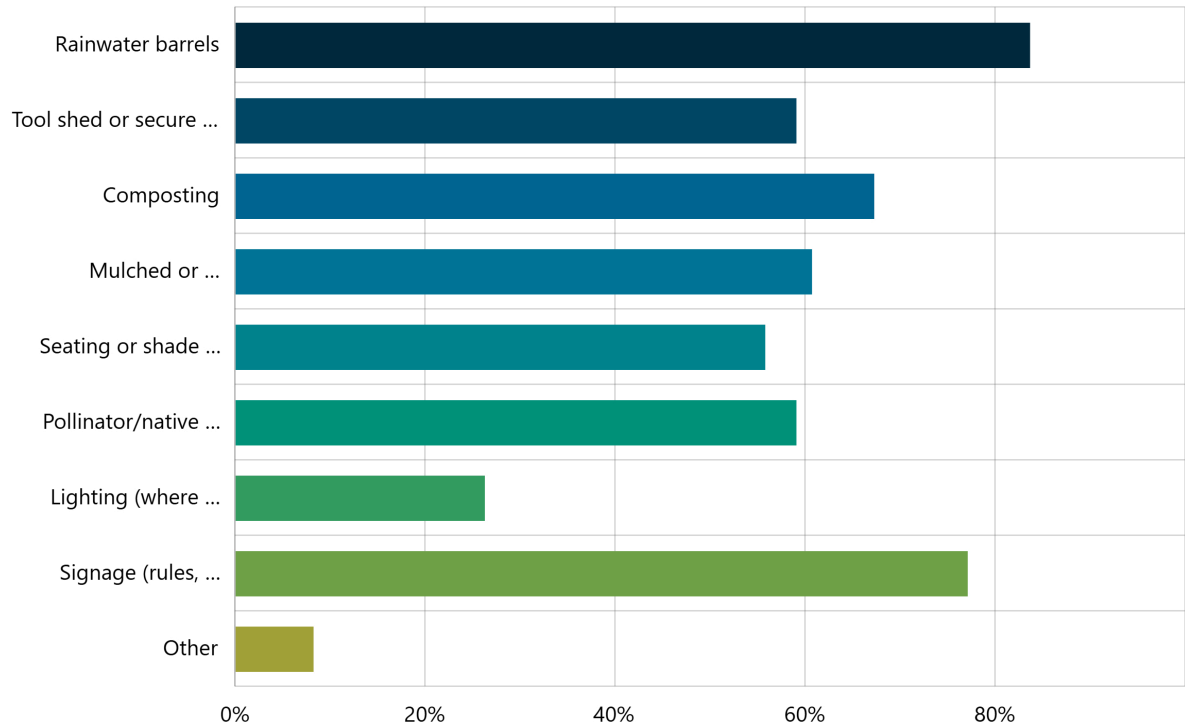
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| Answer choices          | Percent | Count |
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| Small (approx. 3'x6')   | 6.56%   | 4     |
| Medium (approx. 4'x8')  | 27.87%  | 17    |
| Large (approx. 10'x10') | 29.51%  | 18    |
| No preference           | 36.07%  | 22    |
| Total                   | 100.00% | 61    |

## 7. Which features should be included in the garden's design? (Select all that apply) Required

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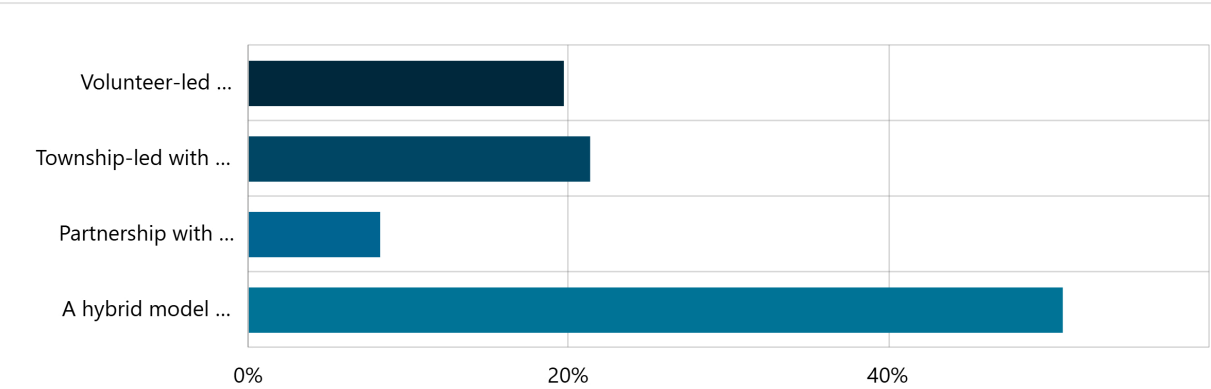


| Answer choices                 | Percent | Count |
|--------------------------------|---------|-------|
| Rainwater barrels              | 83.61%  | 51    |
| Tool shed or secure storage    | 59.02%  | 36    |
| Composting                     | 67.21%  | 41    |
| Mulched or accessible pathways | 60.66%  | 37    |
| Seating or shade structure     | 55.74%  | 34    |
| Pollinator/native plant areas  | 59.02%  | 36    |
| Lighting (where appropriate)   | 26.23%  | 16    |
| Signage (rules, garden layout) | 77.05%  | 47    |
| Other                          | 8.20%   | 5     |

8. What governance model do you feel is most appropriate for a community garden in Loyalist Township?

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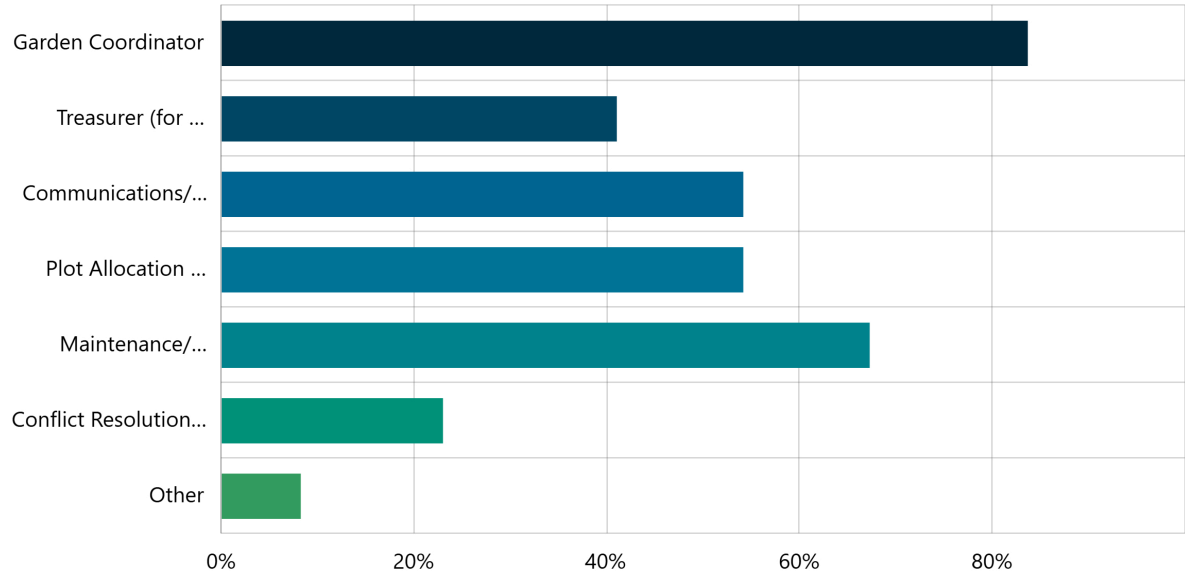
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| Answer choices                                         | Percent | Count |
|--------------------------------------------------------|---------|-------|
| Volunteer-led garden committee with Township support   | 19.67%  | 12    |
| Township-led with volunteer involvement                | 21.31%  | 13    |
| Partnership with community organizations or landowners | 8.20%   | 5     |
| A hybrid model (shared governance)                     | 50.82%  | 31    |
| Total                                                  | 100.00% | 61    |

### 9. Which roles do you believe should be included in the garden's structure? (Select all that apply) Required

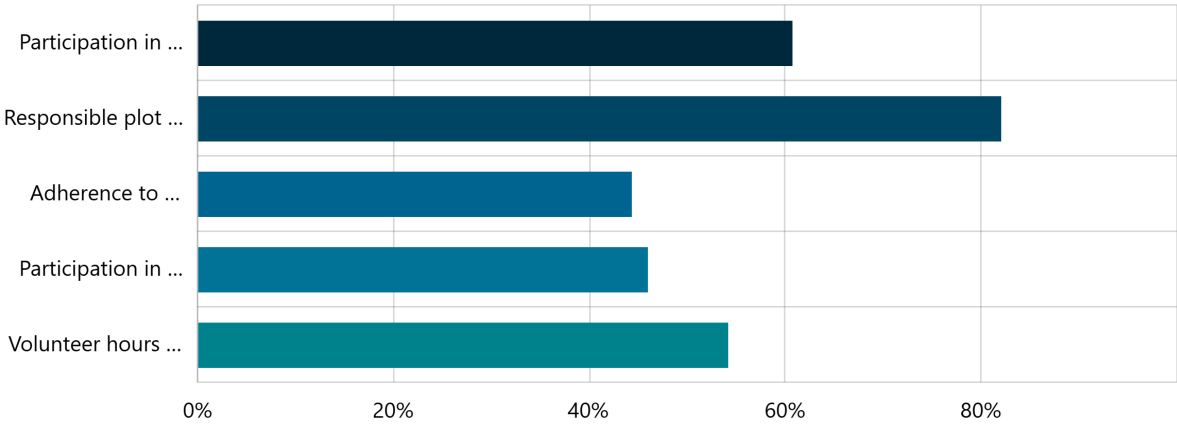
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| Answer choices                            | Percent | Count |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|-------|
| Garden Coordinator                        | 83.61%  | 51    |
| Treasurer (for managing fees/fundraising) | 40.98%  | 25    |
| Communications/Membership Coordinator     | 54.10%  | 33    |
| Plot Allocation Working Group             | 54.10%  | 33    |
| Maintenance/Infrastructure Working Group  | 67.21%  | 41    |
| Conflict Resolution Working Group         | 22.95%  | 14    |
| Other                                     | 8.20%   | 5     |

10. What expectations should apply to all gardeners? (Select all) Required

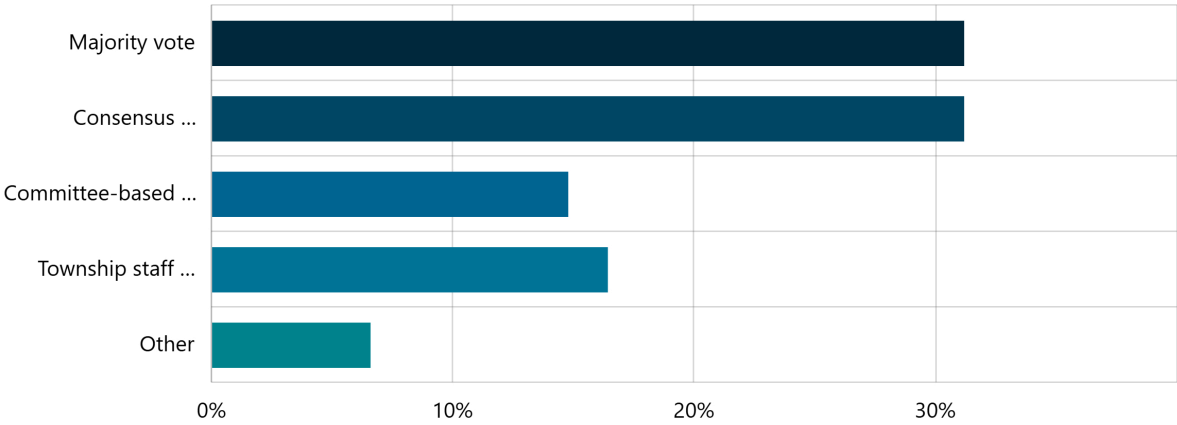
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| Answer choices                                                       | Percent | Count |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-------|
| Participation in work bees/cleanups                                  | 60.66%  | 37    |
| Responsible plot maintenance                                         | 81.97%  | 50    |
| Adherence to organic gardening practices                             | 44.26%  | 27    |
| Participation in decision-making meetings                            | 45.90%  | 28    |
| Volunteer hours toward shared spaces (compost, paths, communal beds) | 54.10%  | 33    |

11. How should conflicts or garden issues be managed? Required

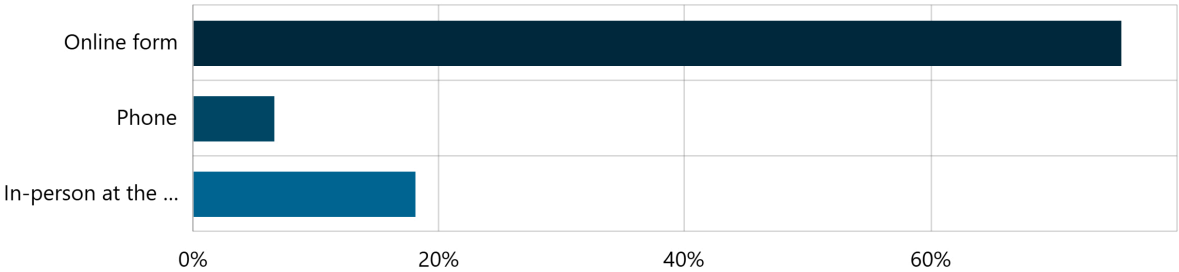
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| Answer choices             | Percent | Count |
|----------------------------|---------|-------|
| Majority vote              | 31.15%  | 19    |
| Consensus decision-making  | 31.15%  | 19    |
| Committee-based decisions  | 14.75%  | 9     |
| Township staff involvement | 16.39%  | 10    |
| Other                      | 6.56%   | 4     |
| Total                      | 100.00% | 61    |

12. Preferred application method: Required

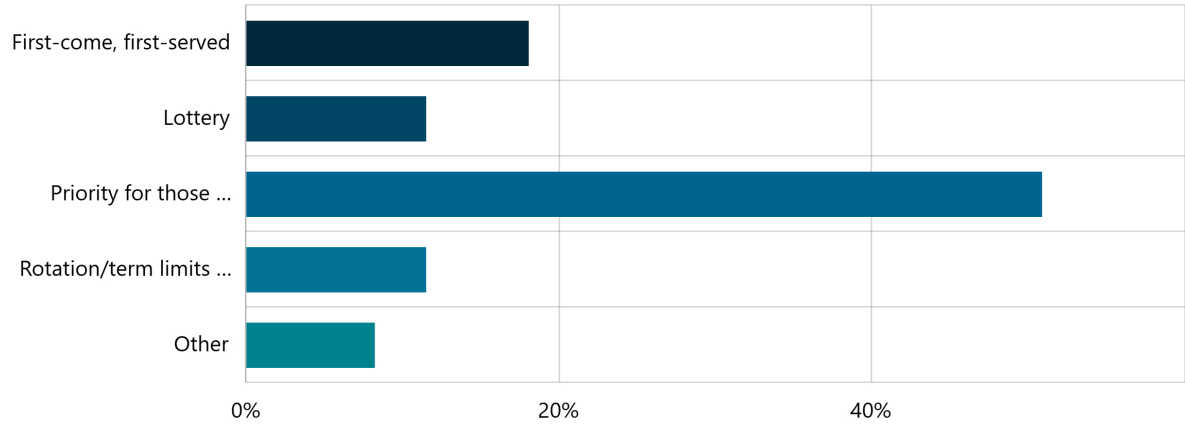
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| Answer choices                                                                  | Percent | Count |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|-------|
| Online form                                                                     | 75.41%  | 46    |
| Phone                                                                           | 6.56%   | 4     |
| In-person at the W.J. Henderson Community Centre or the Odessa Municipal Office | 18.03%  | 11    |
| Total                                                                           | 100.00% | 61    |

### 13. If demand exceeds supply, how should plots be allocated? Required

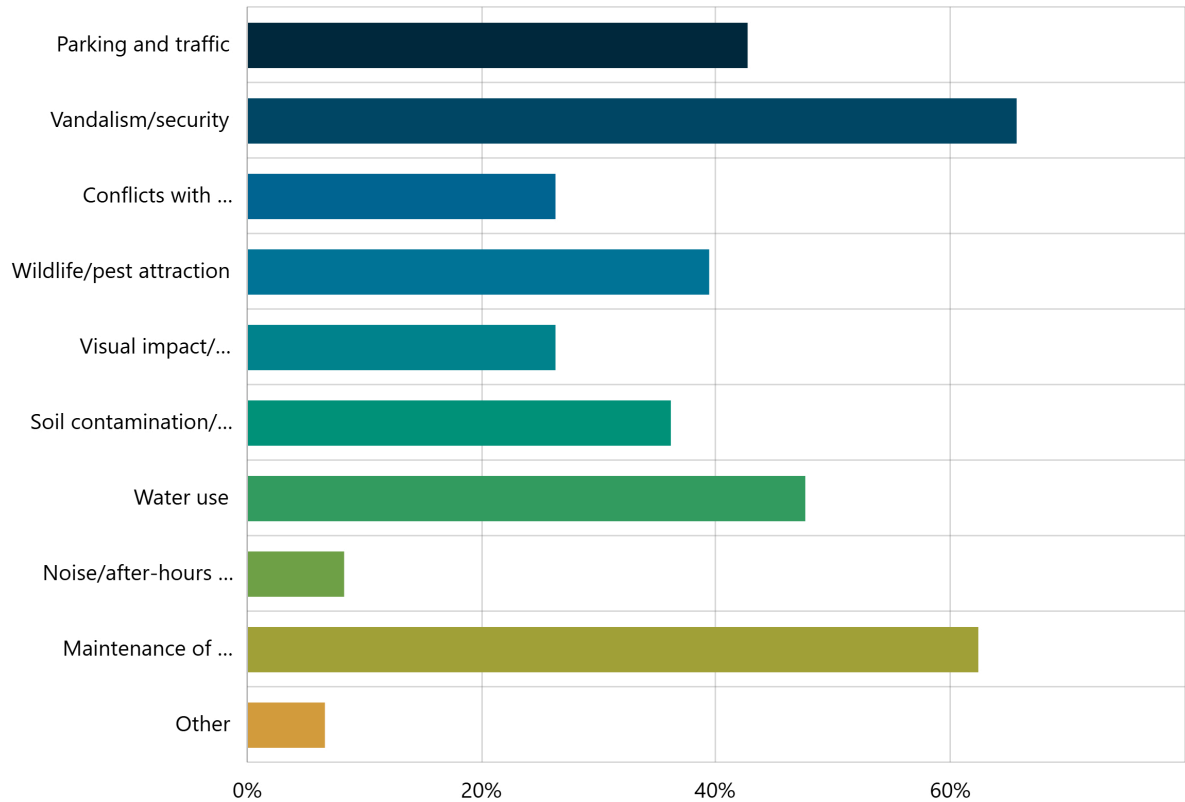
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| Answer choices                                    | Percent | Count |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------|-------|
| First-come, first-served                          | 18.03%  | 11    |
| Lottery                                           | 11.48%  | 7     |
| Priority for those without access to garden space | 50.82%  | 31    |
| Rotation/term limits (e.g., max 3 years)          | 11.48%  | 7     |
| Other                                             | 8.20%   | 5     |
| Total                                             | 100.00% | 61    |

#### 14. What concerns should the Township consider? (Select up to 5) Required

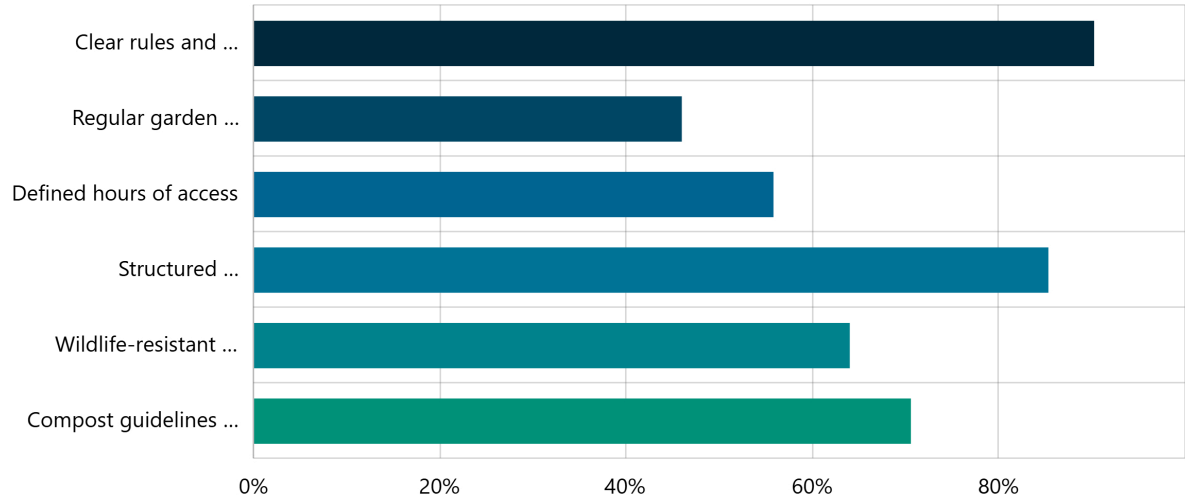
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| Answer choices                    | Percent | Count |
|-----------------------------------|---------|-------|
| Parking and traffic               | 42.62%  | 26    |
| Vandalism/security                | 65.57%  | 40    |
| Conflicts with existing park uses | 26.23%  | 16    |
| Wildlife/pest attraction          | 39.34%  | 24    |
| Visual impact/aesthetics          | 26.23%  | 16    |
| Soil contamination/safety         | 36.07%  | 22    |
| Water use                         | 47.54%  | 29    |
| Noise/after-hours access          | 8.20%   | 5     |
| Maintenance of shared spaces      | 62.30%  | 38    |
| Other                             | 6.56%   | 4     |

### 15. What risk management strategies do you support? (Select all that apply) Required

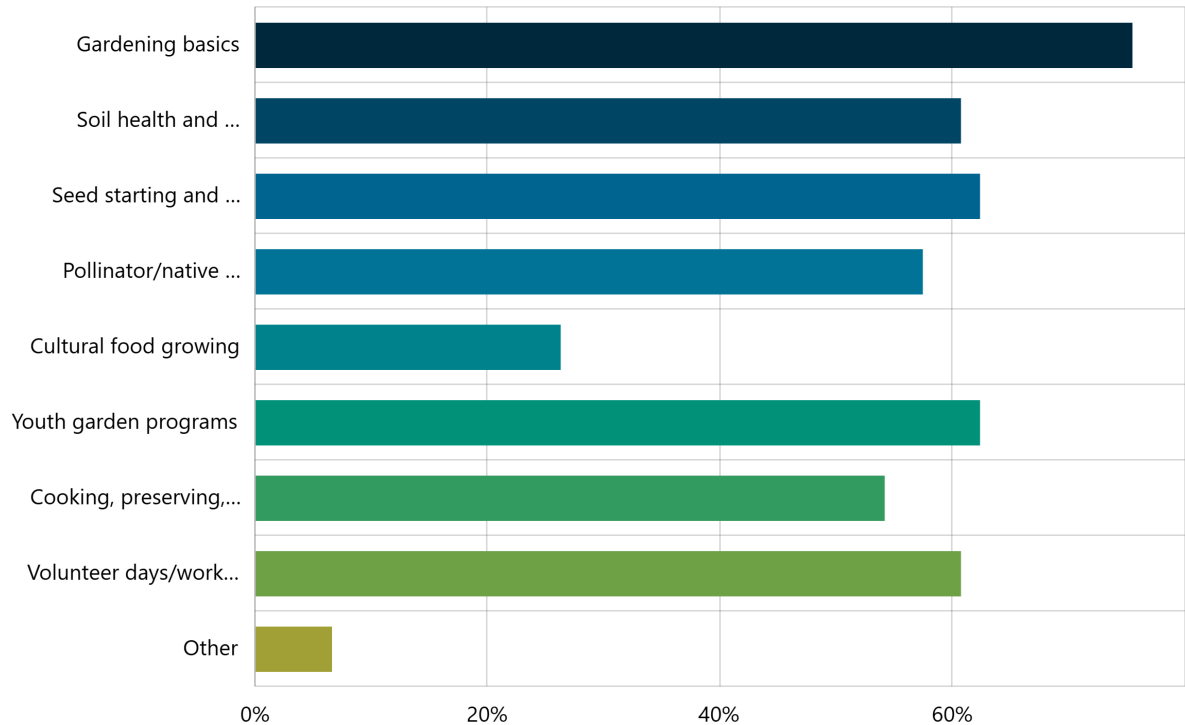
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| Answer choices                         | Percent | Count |
|----------------------------------------|---------|-------|
| Clear rules and visible signage        | 90.16%  | 55    |
| Regular garden inspections             | 45.90%  | 28    |
| Defined hours of access                | 55.74%  | 34    |
| Structured end-of-season cleanup       | 85.25%  | 52    |
| Wildlife-resistant fencing or planting | 63.93%  | 39    |
| Compost guidelines and training        | 70.49%  | 43    |

# 16. Which programs would you participate in or support? (Select all that apply) Required

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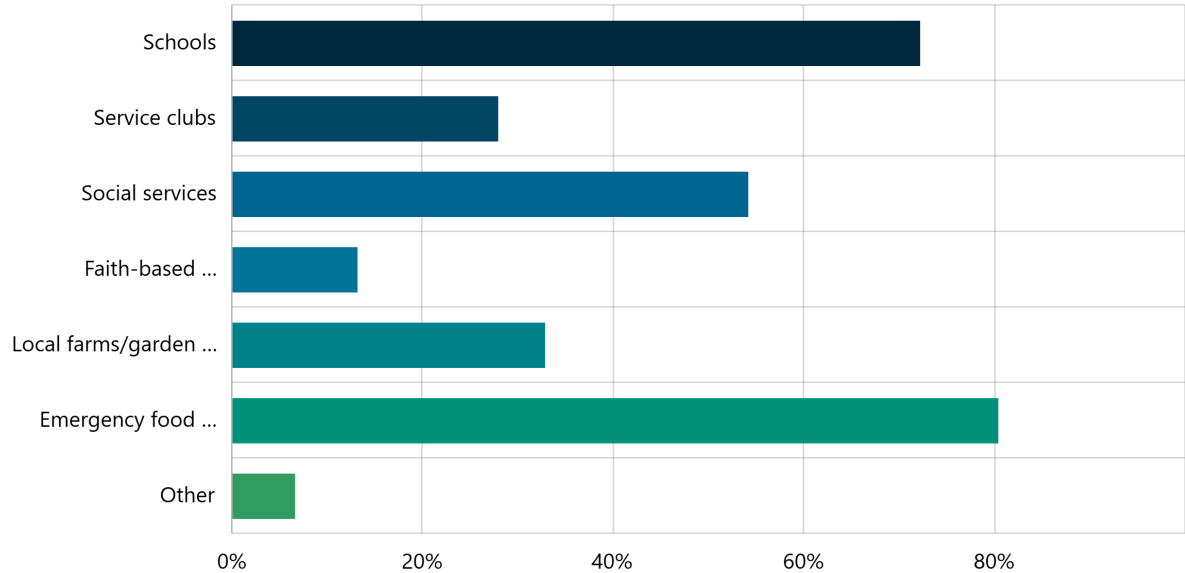


| Answer choices                              | Percent | Count |
|---------------------------------------------|---------|-------|
| Gardening basics                            | 75.41%  | 46    |
| Soil health and composting                  | 60.66%  | 37    |
| Seed starting and seed sharing              | 62.30%  | 38    |
| Pollinator/native plant workshops           | 57.38%  | 35    |
| Cultural food growing                       | 26.23%  | 16    |
| Youth garden programs                       | 62.30%  | 38    |
| Cooking, preserving, or nutrition workshops | 54.10%  | 33    |
| Volunteer days/work bees                    | 60.66%  | 37    |
| Other                                       | 6.56%   | 4     |

### 17. Which partners do you think would benefit from community gardens involvement (Select all that apply)

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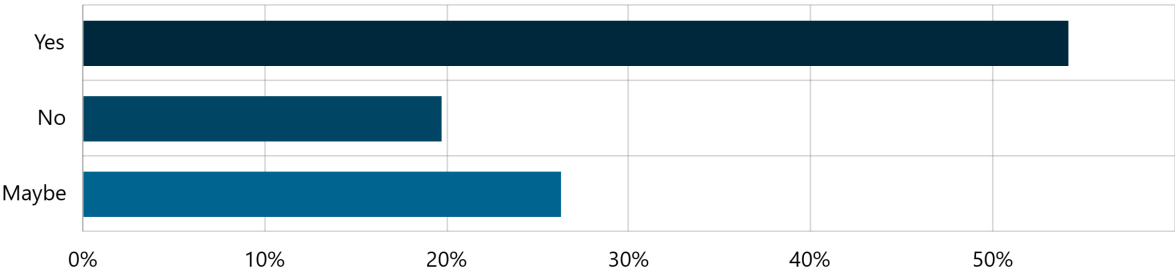
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| Answer choices             | Percent | Count |
|----------------------------|---------|-------|
| Schools                    | 72.13%  | 44    |
| Service clubs              | 27.87%  | 17    |
| Social services            | 54.10%  | 33    |
| Faith-based organizations  | 13.11%  | 8     |
| Local farms/garden centres | 32.79%  | 20    |
| Emergency food programs    | 80.33%  | 49    |
| Other                      | 6.56%   | 4     |

19. Are you interested in becoming involved with community gardens in Loyalist Township? Required

Multi Choice | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 61 (100%)



| Answer choices | Percent | Count |
|----------------|---------|-------|
| Yes            | 54.10%  | 33    |
| No             | 19.67%  | 12    |
| Maybe          | 26.23%  | 16    |
| Total          | 100.00% | 61    |