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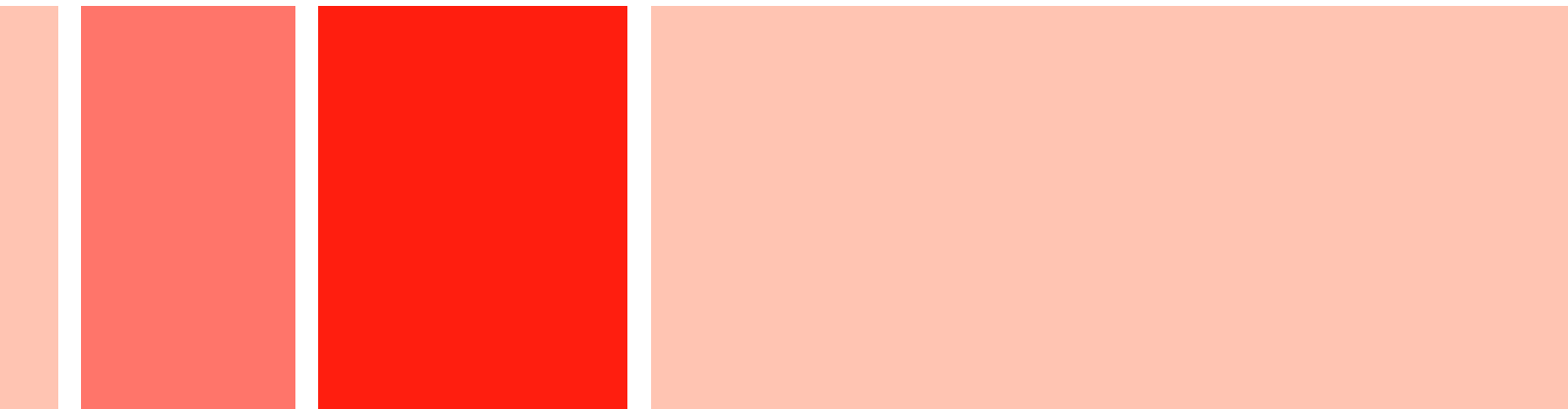


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1. Introduction

- 1.1. This addendum provides results from the survey of local government councillors and candidates in Anglesey. Due to the delayed elections in Anglesey, the Survey was carried out a year later than in the rest of Wales (May 2013, rather than May 2012). In all other respects, the Survey was identical to that carried out in May 2012. Details of the Survey can be found in the main body of the Local Government Candidates Survey Report, which can be accessed via the following link:

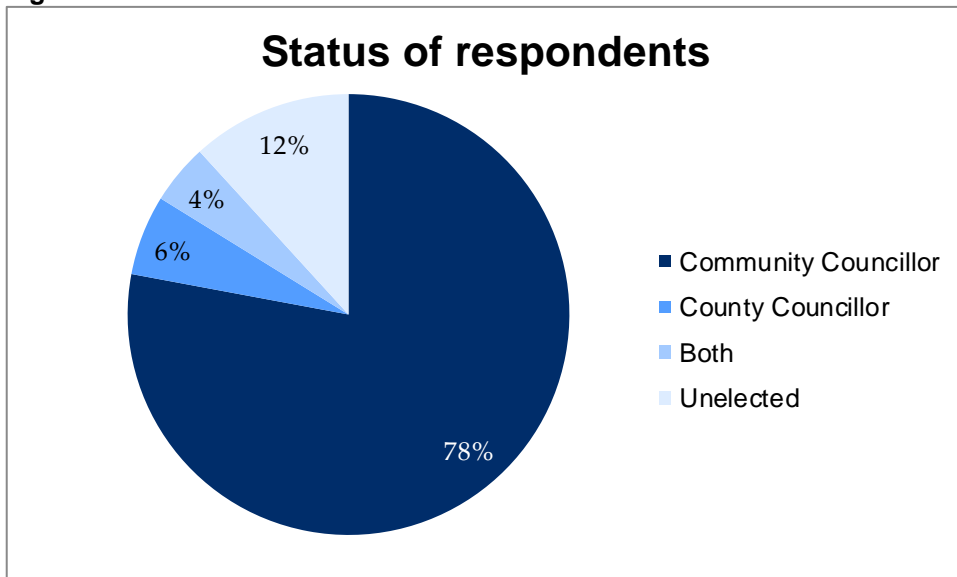
<http://wales.gov.uk/statistics-and-research/local-government-candidates-survey/?lang=en>

- 1.2. Although the Survey was identical to the survey carried out in the rest of Wales a year earlier, it would be misleading to compare the results presented here to those presented in the main Survey Report. This is partly because of the year time difference, but also due to the fact the results in the Survey Report are presented on an all Wales (excluding Anglesey) basis, rather than by local authority.

2. Respondents

- 2.1 There were 68 responses in total. This represents a response rate of 15%. Of the 30 elected County Councillors in Anglesey, seven responded, giving a response rate of 23%.
- 2.2 It is not appropriate to break down the data to include a diversity analysis of County Councillors or unelected candidates given the small numbers, therefore, the below relates to *'Local Government Candidates in Anglesey'* only.
- 2.3 Some respondents chose not to answer certain questions. In these cases, descriptive data is provided at the level of 'valid' responses only. Of those who responded to the survey, 18% stood for election to a county council level, 76% to a community level and 6% to both.
- 2.5 Figure 1 shows the status of respondents following the elections.

Figure 1

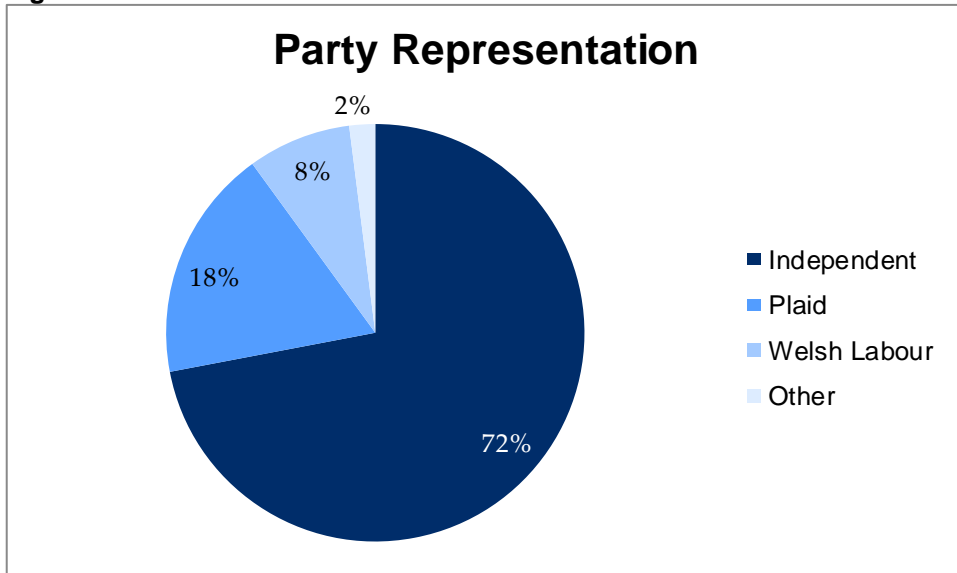


Base: 68

3. Party Affiliation

3.1 Figure 2 shows the majority of candidates were Independent. The party representation differed little between elected and unelected candidates.

Figure 2

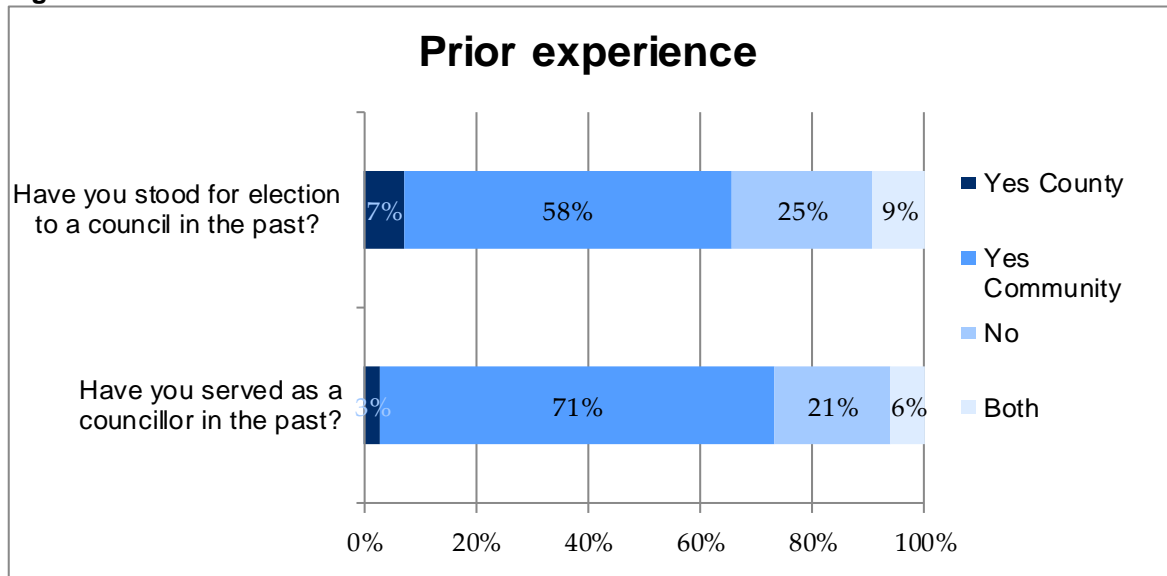


Base: 61

4. Prior experience as a councillor

4.1 Approximately one quarter of the respondents from Anglesey had not stood for election or served as a councillor before. Of all respondents, 50% had ten years or more service as a councillor.

Figure 3



Base: 67 & 68 respondents respectively

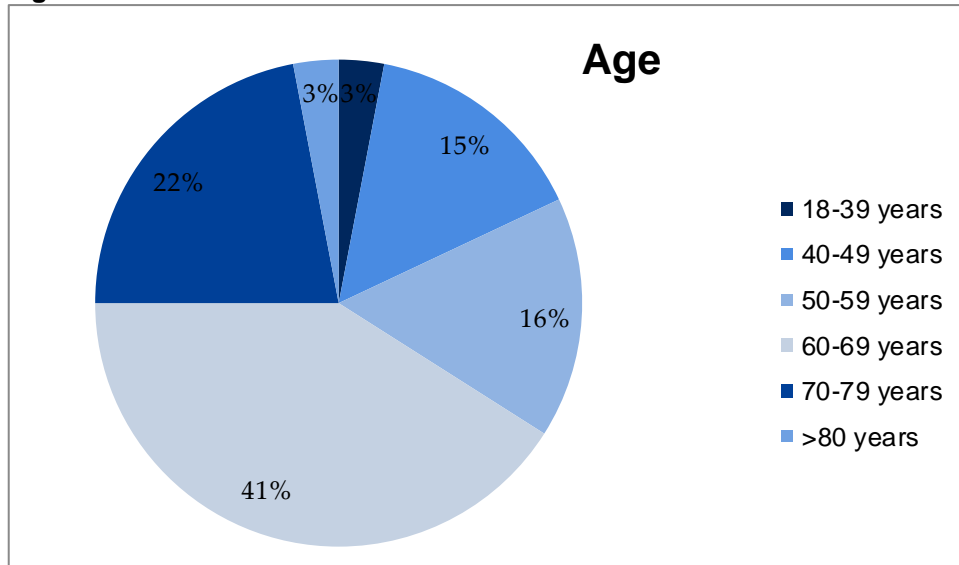
5. Gender

5.1 Of the 67 candidates who responded to the gender question, 67% were male and 33% were female. As with the results from Wales as a whole, this does not represent the gender split in the population.

6 Age

6.1 Figure 4 shows the age split of respondents. The majority of candidates were over the age of 60, with the largest proportion aged between 60 and 69.

Figure 4



Base: 68

7. Ethnicity

7.1 A total of 66 of the 67 candidates who responded to the ethnicity question reported their ethnicity as white.

8. Religion

8.1 Out of the 62 candidates that responded, 89% reported their religion as Christian whilst 11% reported no religion.

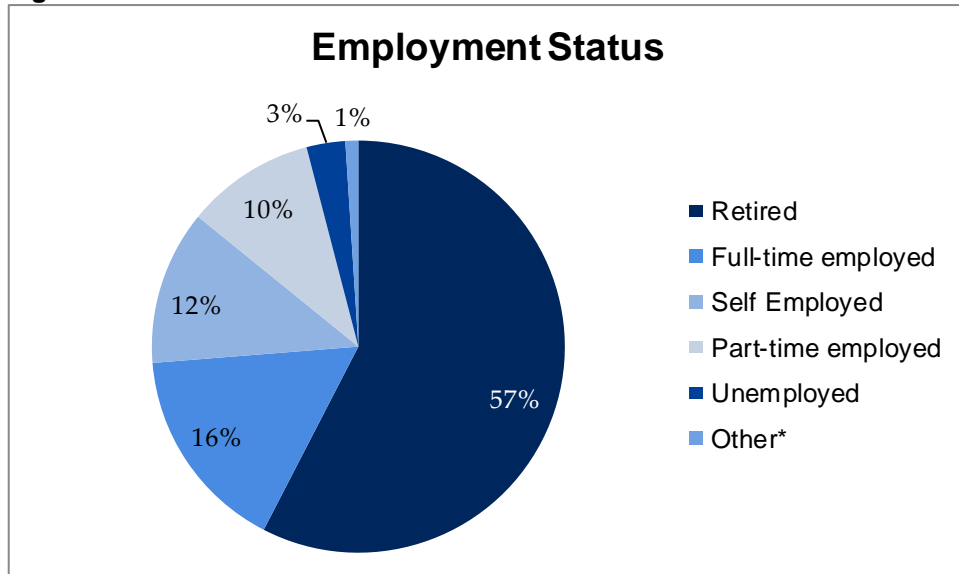
9. Sexuality

9.1 A total of 58 candidates responded to this question, of which the majority (56) said that they were heterosexual.

10. Employment

10.1 As Figure 5 illustrates, the majority of candidates in Anglesey reported they were retired (58%). A total of 16% reported they were full-time employed, whilst 10% said they were part-time employed.

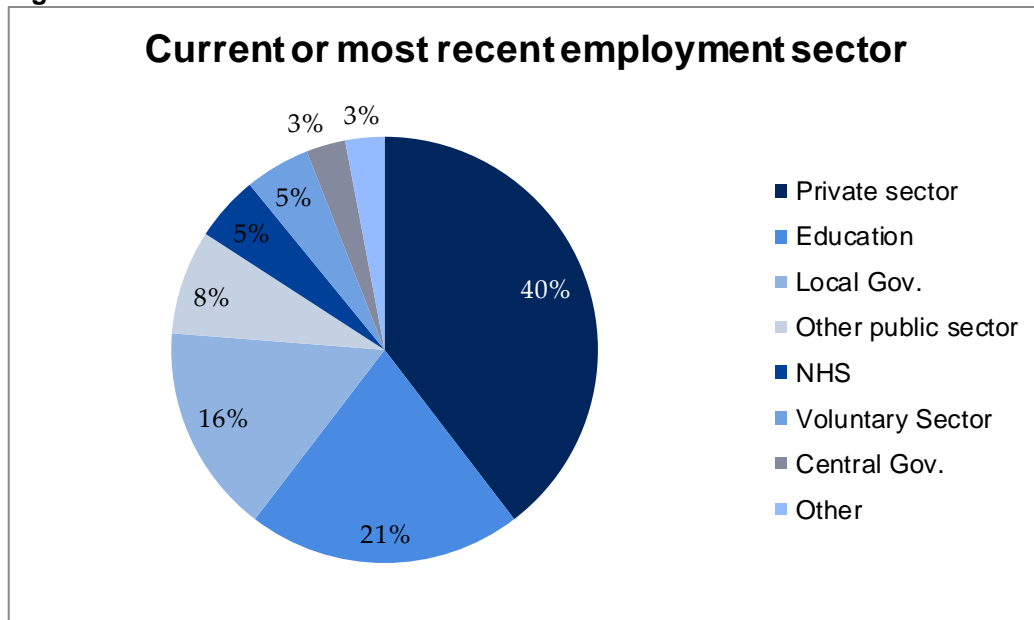
Figure 5



Base: 67

10.2 Figure 6 shows the sector of most recent employment for candidates. Two fifths reported their most recent employment was in the private sector whilst just over one fifth were employed in the education sector (21%).

Figure 6

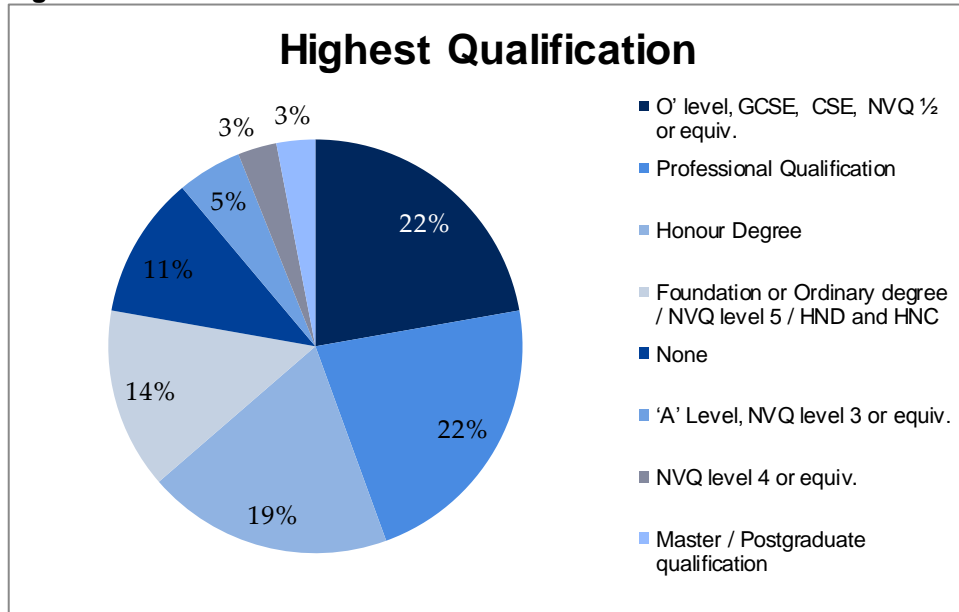


Base: 63

11. Qualifications

11.1 Figure 7 shows candidates highest qualification levels. Roughly equal numbers (approximately one fifth of candidates) had O'level, a professional qualification or an honour degree.

Figure 7



Base: 63

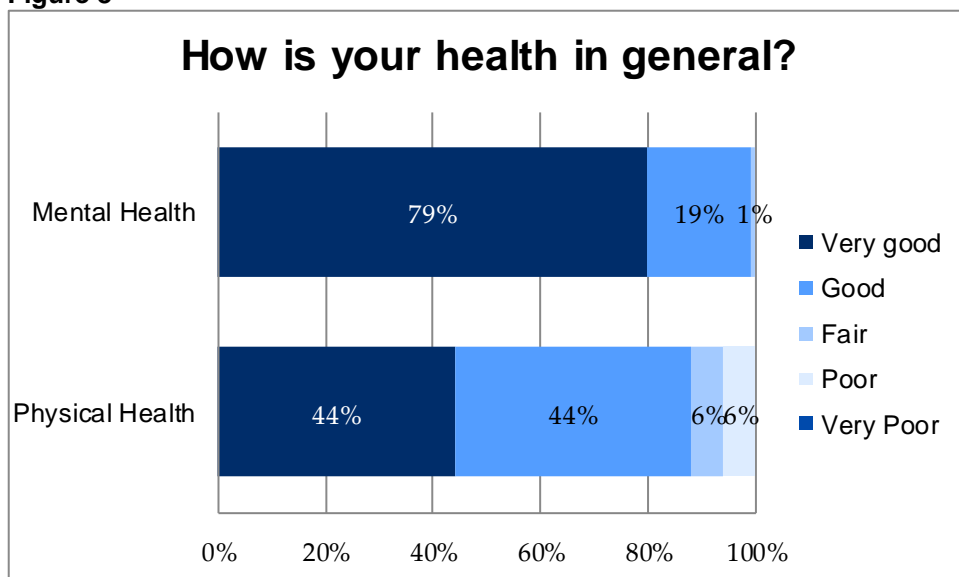
12. Parental Responsibility

12.1 The majority of candidates (83%) did not have responsibility for a child aged 16 or under.

13. Health

13.1 The majority of councillors (98%) reported they generally had very good or good mental health, whilst 88% reported they had very good or good physical health.

Figure 8



Base: 67 and 68 respectively

14. Disability

14.1 Out of the 66 people who responded to a question about disability, nine considered themselves to be disabled. Seven of those nine candidates said that their disability limited their activities in some way.

15. Language

15.1 The majority of candidates (63%) said Welsh was their main language. The remainder (37%) reported English as their main language.