

Appendix 11 Porthcawl Comprehensive School

1. Question and analysis - consultation survey

In order to gather the views of young people the consultation and engagement team and the lead officer for post-16 education attended comprehensive schools across the county borough. Pupils were given an overview of the consultation and then were guided through the youth version of the survey.

Porthcawl Comprehensive School were unable to participate in the engagement session therefore they were sent the online link to the youth survey to share with the learners to complete the survey online.

The youth version of the consultation contained 18 questions related re-organisation of post 16 education across the county borough. All questions were optional, so participants could choose to answer all or some of the questions.

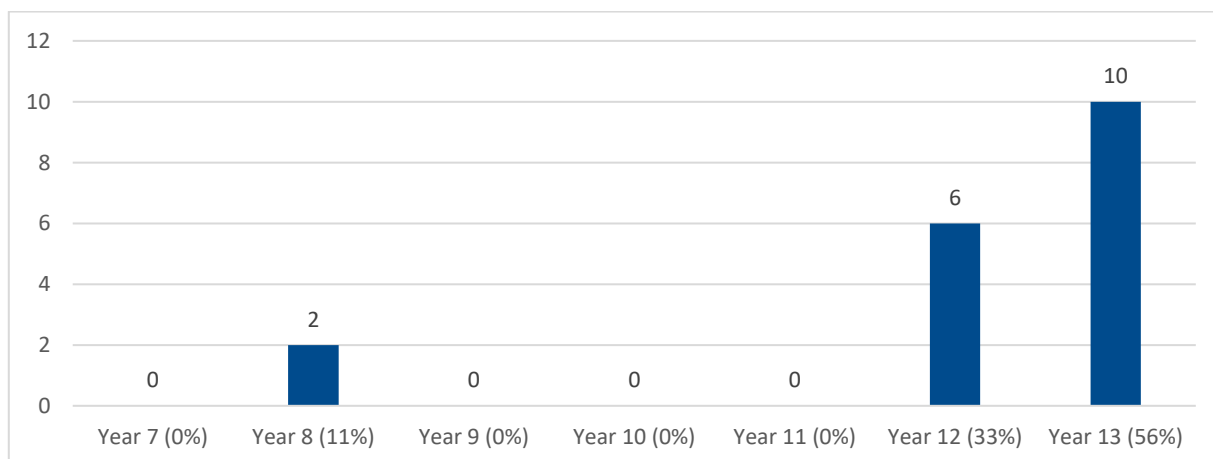
This report details the responses received from 19 learners in Porthcawl Comprehensive School.

1.1 About you

1.1.1 Year group

Respondents that said they were a student were then asked to select their year group.

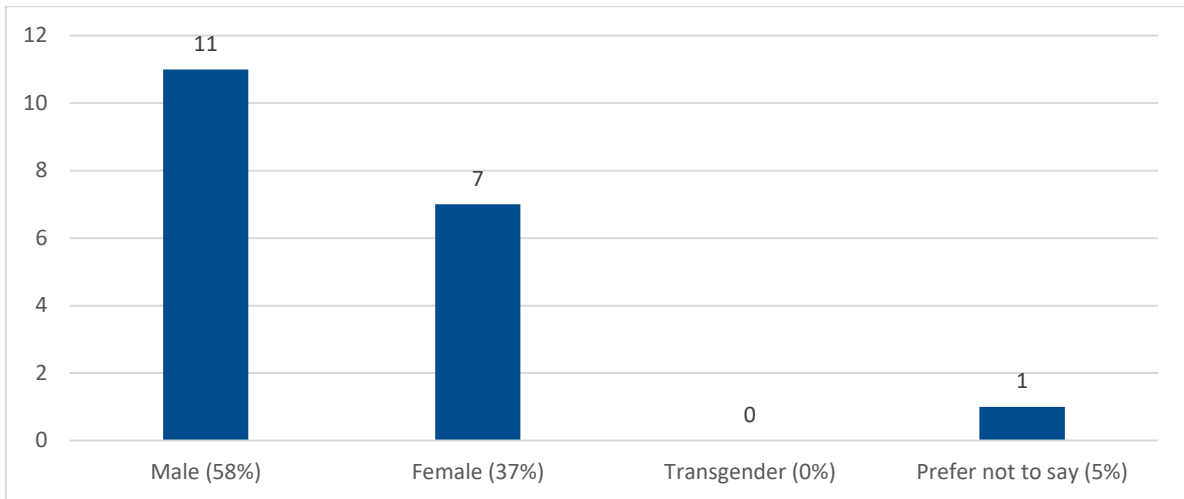
18 people responded to this question.



56% of respondents stated that they were in year 13, followed by year 12 (33%) and then year 8 (11%).

1.1.2 Gender

19 people responded to this question.



58% of respondents stated that they were male and 37% stated female. 5% of respondents stated that they would prefer not to say.

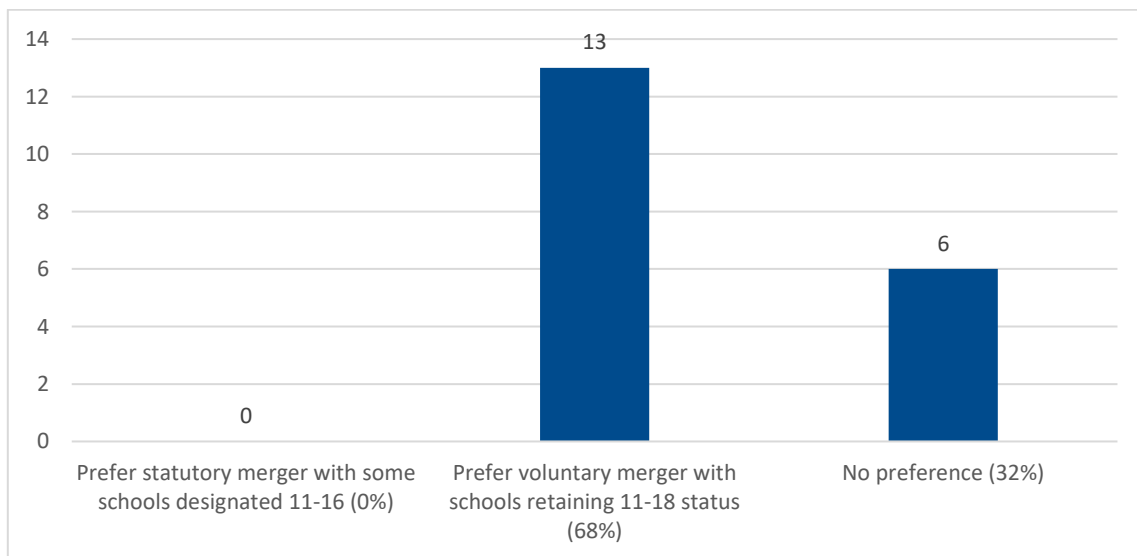
1.2 Survey questions

1.2.1 Sixth form mergers

Respondents were given information about the types of mergers under consideration, described as statutory and voluntary mergers.

Please indicate if you have a preference or not for either type of sixth form merger

19 people responded to this question.

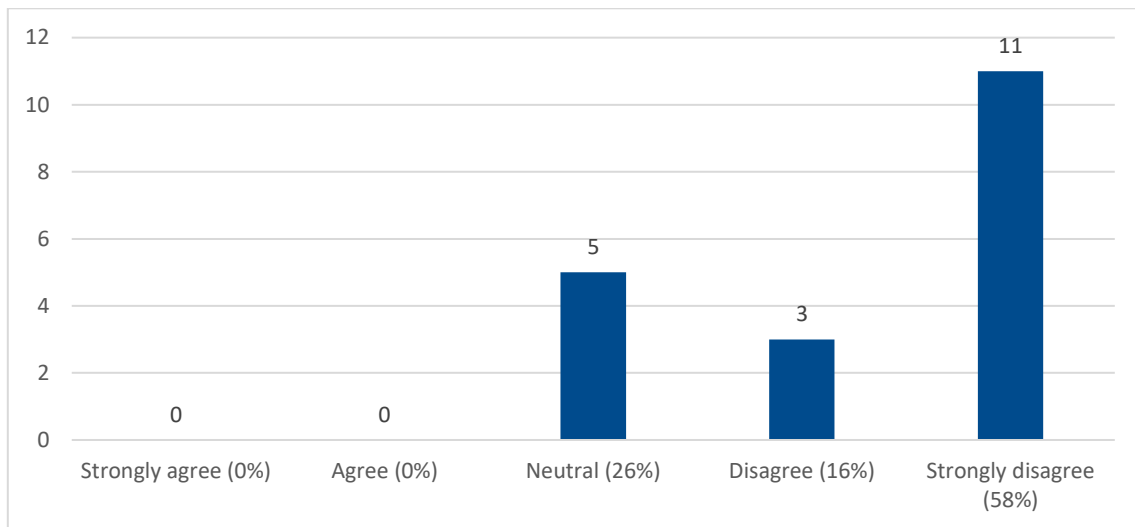


68% of respondents preferred voluntary mergers with both schools retaining 11-18 status and 32% of respondents stated that they had no preference.

1.2.2 Option one – a mix of school sixth forms with some mergers to create new local authority maintained sixth form centre(s)

1.2.2.1 Outcome A – Brynteg School becomes a sixth form centre and hosts sixth form students from Bryntirion comprehensive

19 people responded to this question.



58% of respondents strongly disagreed with the proposal for Brynteg School to become a sixth form centre and host sixth form students from Bryntirion comprehensive. 26% gave a neutral response and 16% of respondents disagreed with this proposal.

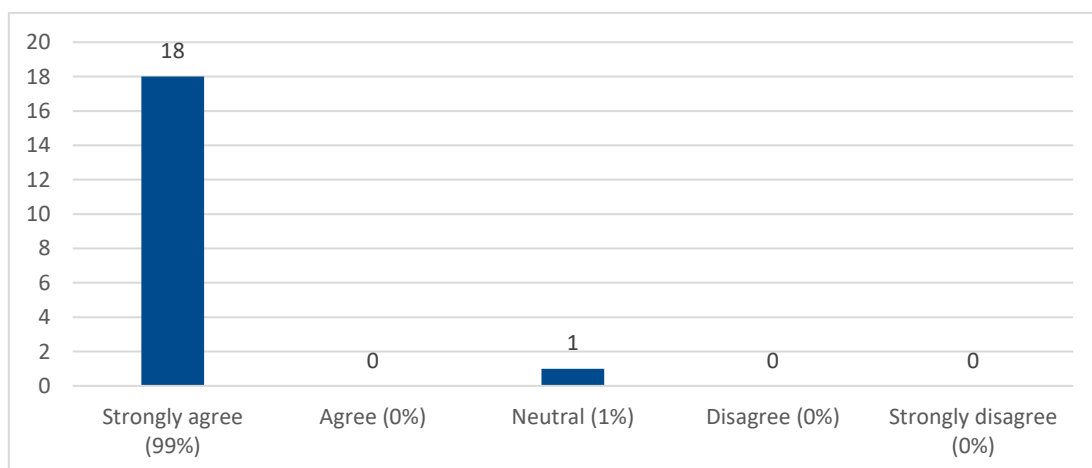
Respondents were asked to add any further comments on this outcome

Three comments were received in relation to this proposal. These have been themed and are detailed in the table below:

Theme	No.
I do not understand the impact/the changes will not affect me	2
Porthcawl should keep its sixth form	1

1.2.2.2 Outcome B – Porthcawl Comprehensive keeps its sixth form

19 people responded to this question.



99% of respondents strongly agreed with the proposal that Porthcawl should keep its sixth form. 1% gave a neutral response.

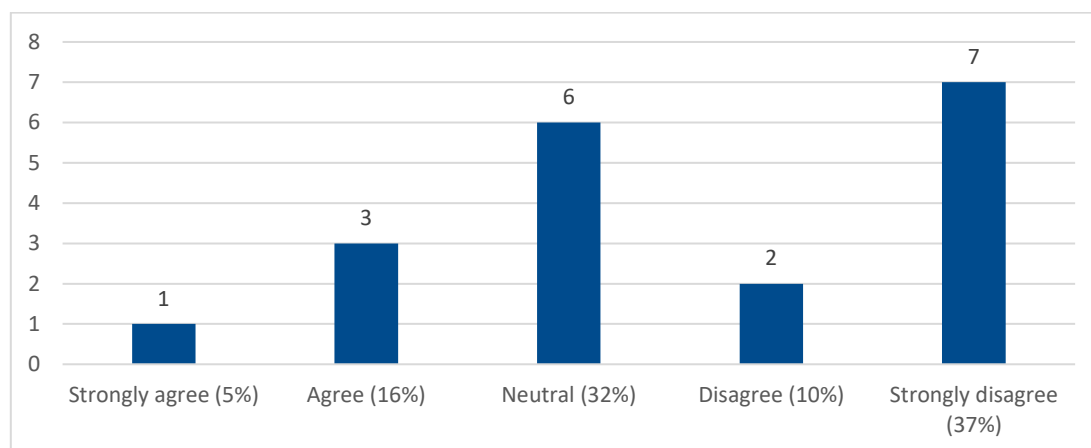
Respondents were asked to add any further comments on this outcome.

Three comments were received in relation to this proposal. These have been themed and are detailed in the table below:

Theme	No.
It would be too far to travel	2
I would like to keep my own teachers	1

1.2.2.3 Outcome C – Cynffig Comprehensive closes or merges its sixth form with Porthcawl Comprehensive

19 people responded to this question.



37% of respondents strongly disagreed with this proposal and a further 10% disagreed. 32% gave a neutral response. 16% of respondents agreed with the proposal for Cynffig comprehensive to close or merge its sixth form with Porthcawl comprehensive and a further 5% of respondents strongly agreed.

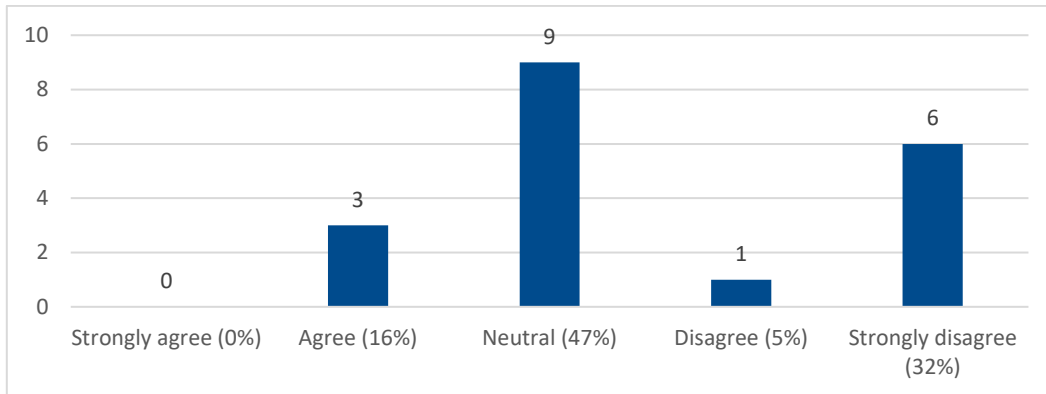
Respondents were asked to add any further comments on this outcome

Two comments were received in relation to this proposal. These have been themed and are detailed in the table below:

Theme	No.
Class sizes would become too big	1
Disagree with proposal	1

1.2.2.4 Outcome D - Cynffig Comprehensive hosts sixth form centre and hosts sixth form students from Pencoed Comprehensive and Coleg Cymunedol y Dderwen

19 people responded to this question.



47% of respondents gave a neutral response to this proposal. 32% of respondents strongly disagreed with the proposal that Cynffig could host a sixth form centre, attended by pupils from Pencoed and CCYD and a further 5% disagreed. 16% of respondents agreed with this proposal.

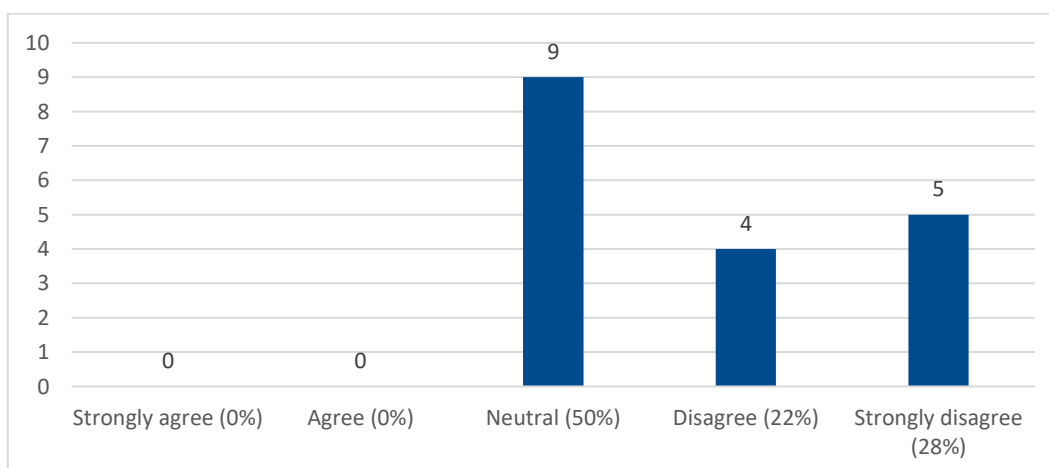
Respondents were asked to add any further comments on this outcome

One comment was received in relation to this proposal. This has been themed as detailed in the table below.

Theme	No.
Other schools could also attend Cynffig	1

1.2.2.5 Outcome E – Maesteg School hosts a sixth form centre and hosts sixth form students from Coleg Cymunedol y Dderwen

18 people responded to this question.



50% of respondents gave a neutral response. 28% of respondents strongly disagreed with the proposal that Maesteg School could host a sixth form centre, attended by pupils from CCYD and a further 22% disagreed with the proposal. No respondents agreed or strongly agreed with this proposal.

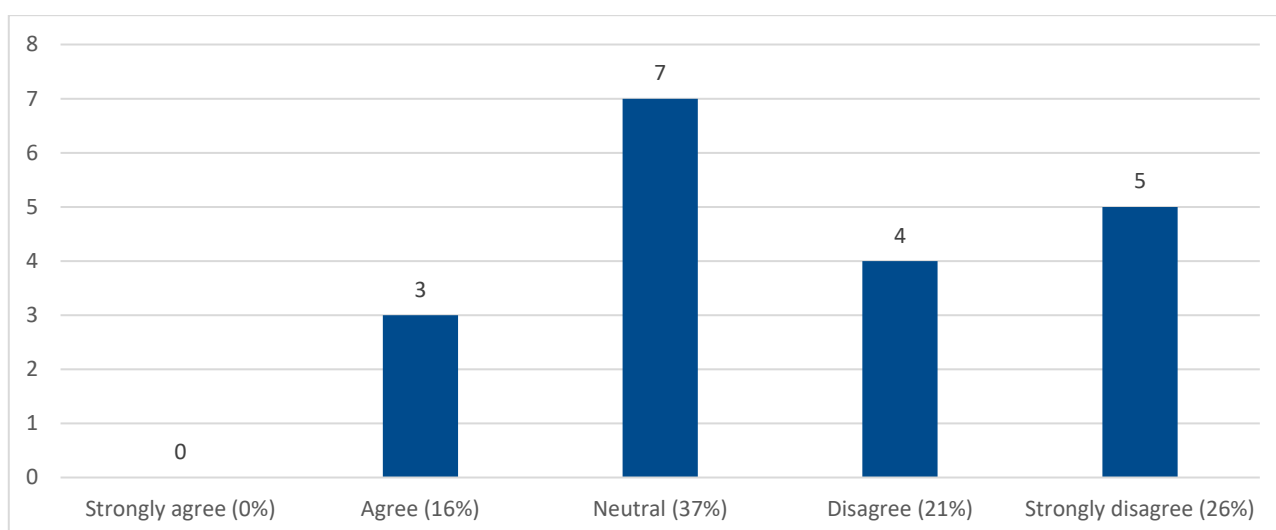
Respondents were asked to add any further comments on this outcome

Two comments were received in relation to this proposal. These have been themed and are detailed in the table below:

Theme	No.
It will be too far for pupils to travel	1
Disagree with proposal	1

1.2.2.6 Outcome F – Maesteg School and Pencoed Comprehensive both become sixth form centres and host sixth form students from Cynffig Comprehensive and Coleg Cymunedol y Dderwen.

19 people responded to this question.



37% of respondents gave a neutral response. 26% of respondents strongly disagreed with the proposal that Maesteg School and Pencoed Comprehensive both become sixth form centres and host pupils from CCYD and Cynffig and a further 21% disagreed with the proposal. 16% of respondents agreed with this proposal.

Respondents were asked to add any further comments on this outcome No comments were made.

1.2.2.7 Overall consideration of the options

Respondents were asked to rank in order of preference the options outlined in outcomes A-F.

The overall list of preferred concepts are:

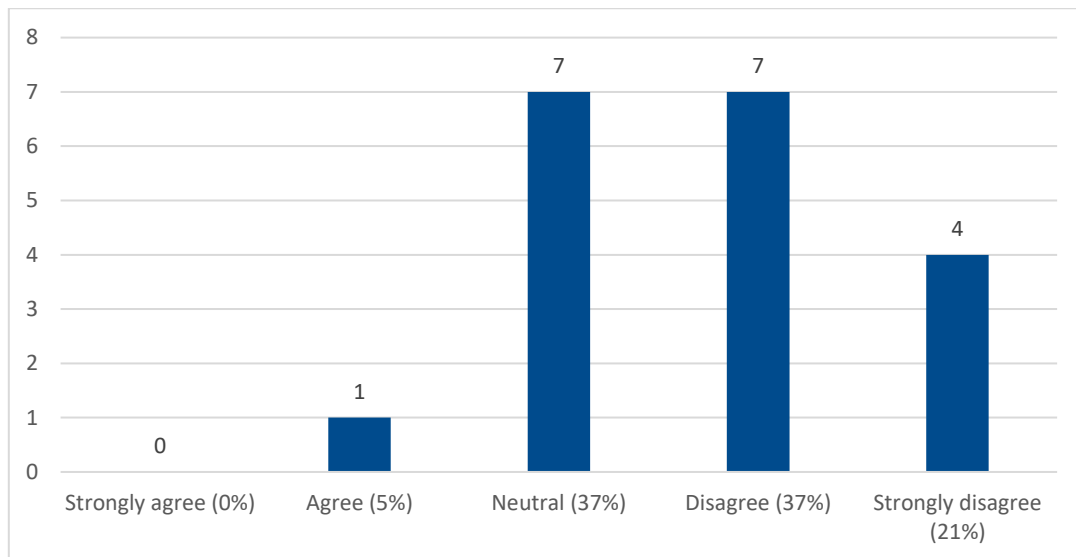
Rank	Outcome	Number of respondents who ranked each concept in position	% of groups who ranked each concept in position

1	Outcome B Porthcawl Comprehensive keeps its sixth form	17	100%
2	Outcome A2 Brynteg school and Bryntirion Comprehensive develop a joint sixth for provision;	7	41%
3	Outcome D Cynffig Comprehensive hosts sixth form centre and hosts sixth form students from Pencoed Comprehensive and Coleg Cymunedol y Dderwen	5	28%
4	Outcome A1 Brynteg School becomes a sixth form centre and hosts sixth form students from Bryntirion Comprehensive	5	29%
5	Outcome F Maesteg School and Pencoed Comprehensive both become sixth form centres and host sixth form students from Cynffig Comprehensive and Coleg Cymunedol y Dderwen.	8	23%
6	Outcome E Maesteg School hosts a sixth form centre and hosts sixth form students from Coleg Cymunedol y Dderwen	7	47%
7	Outcome C Cynffig Comprehensive closes or merges its sixth form with Porthcawl Comprehensive	7	41%

1.2.3 Option two – a mix of school sixth forms with some mergers to create a new FE college governed sixth form centre(s)

1.2.3.1 Outcome A – a sixth form centre is developed in Bridgend Town centre and run by Bridgend College, drawing sixth form students from Cynffig Comprehensive school, Coleg Cymunedon y Dderwen, Pencoed Comprehensive school and Bryntirion Comprehensive school (if the merger with Brynteg school listed in Option 1/Outcome A did not take place).

19 people responded to this question.



37% of respondents gave a neutral response. 37% of respondents disagreed with this proposal and a further 21% strongly disagreed with the proposal. 5% of respondents agreed with this proposal.

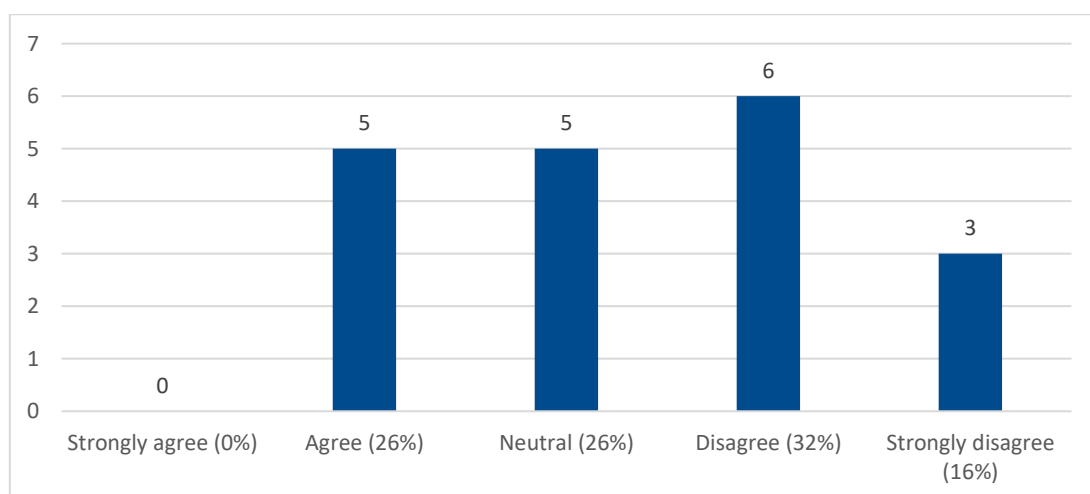
Respondents were asked to add any further comments on this outcome

One comment was received in relation to this proposal. This has been themed as detailed in the table below.

Theme	No.
Will be a difficult transition as you would have to leave a familiar environment and teacher you are comfortable with and may lead to less people attending sixth form	1

1.2.3.2 Outcome B - Sixth form centre at Bridgend College's Pencoed Campus run by the college and hosting sixth-form students from Pencoed Comprehensive, Cynffig Comprehensive and Coleg Cymunedol y Dderwen.

19 people responded to this question.



32% of respondents disagreed with this proposal and a further 16% strongly disagreed with this proposal. 26% of respondents gave a neutral response and 26% of respondents agreed with the proposal.

Respondents were asked to add any further comments on this outcome. No comments were made.

1.2.3.3 Overall consideration of the options

Respondents were asked to rank their preferred choice for Outcome A and B by numbering the options one and two.

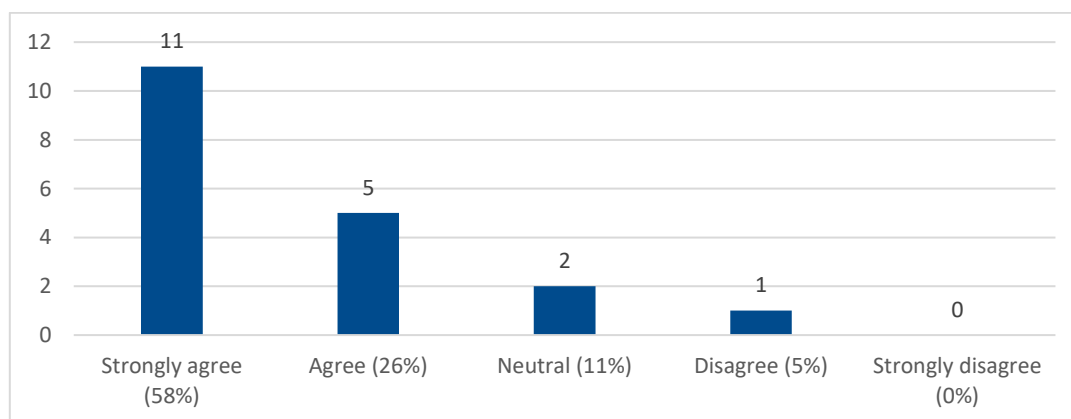
Respondents ranked outcomes A and B as:

- Outcome B Sixth Form centre at Bridgend College’s Pencoed campus run by the college (52%)
- Outcome A Bridgend town centre sixth form centre run by the college (48%)

1.2.4 Option three Keeping sixth forms in all schools

1.2.4.1 The retention of sixth forms in all schools – the current position (ie a distributed tertiary model based on collaboration, but with further development in order to improve the delivery of this option)

19 people responded to this question.



58% of respondents strongly agreed with the proposal to keep sixth forms in all schools and a further 26% of respondents agreed with this proposal. 11% provided a neutral response. 5% of respondents disagreed with this proposal.

Respondents were asked to add any further comments on this outcome

One comment was received in relation to this proposal. This has been themed as detailed in the table below.

Theme	No.
Expand and improve collaboration and subjects on offer	1

1.2.5 Overall consideration of the options

Respondents were asked, having reviewed all the options and outcomes, to rank their preferred choice for Options 1, 2 and 3.

Overall respondents ranked the outcomes in first position as follows:

- Option 3 retention of sixth forms in all schools – the current position (ie a distributed tertiary model based on collaboration, but with further development in order to improve the delivery of this option) (72%);
- Option 1 a mix of school sixth forms with some mergers to create new local authority maintained sixth-form centre(s) (17%);
- Option 2 a mix of school sixth form with some mergers to create new FE College governed sixth-form centre(s) (11%).

1.2.6 Do you have any other comments you would like to make about the proposals?

Respondents were asked if they had any further comments that they would like to make about the proposals.

One comment was received. This has been themed as detailed in the table below.

Theme	No.
Option 2 may be better if it was run by Cardiff University	1