

## HWRC Consultation Respondents Demographic Breakdown

1. This section shows the demographic makeup of respondents to the main questionnaires, enabling us to see which groups were represented in terms of age and gender. It is important to note that:
  - As consultations should be open for anyone to answer, they will not necessarily be representative of the whole population of Southampton. It is however important that as wide a range as possible are engaged and are given the opportunity to share their views on the proposal
  - The analysis provided below does not cover all respondents, as some did not complete this section.
2. The gender breakdown of consultation respondents was 45% male, 51% female and 4% preferring not state.
3. The graph below shows the age breakdown of the respondents. The least represented groups were that of the youngest and oldest age categories listed (16-24 and 85 or over). Both of which had only 1% fitting into these ages. The most represented group were the 55-64 year olds. This groups made up over a quarter of all of those who answered this question. This is in line with normal expectations within consultations as people over 45 tend to participate in greater numbers. As an example, in Southampton City Council's budget consultation for 2016/2017 (phase 2), 63% of respondents were between the ages of 45-74. In this particular consultation, 67% of those who engaged with this question were between the ages of 45-74. 5% preferred not to state their ages.

