

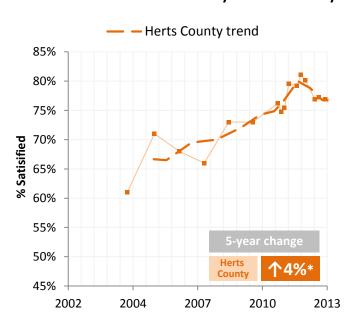
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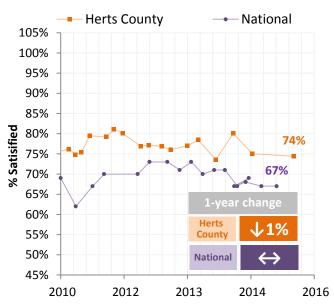
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Hertfordshire Residents' Views of Local Councils November 2015

How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the way the Council runs things? [1, 2, 3] [↑↓ = change, * = significant difference]





The October 2015 results for satisfaction with County shows a 1% decrease since the same period of the previous year (October 2014). However, the five year change in satisfaction with HCC still shows a significant increase of 4 percentage points.

Do you agree or disagree that...[↑↓ = change, * = significant difference]

	Hertfordshire County Council provides value for money [1, 2, 4]								You can infl local area ^{[1}		
459 (\psi 3%) Ag			38% (↑4%) Neither			18% (↔) Disagree			33% (↔) Agree		
			National								
		52% Agree		22% Neither		26% sagree				3! Ag	

You can influence decisions affecting your local area [1, 5, 6]							
33 9 (↔) Ag		19% (↔) Neither		48% (↔) Disagree			
		National					
	35% Agree	- Neither	Di	- sagree			

The council does enough to look after people most in need [1, 4]			The council helps people into work [1, 4]			The council encourages residents to get involved in their local community [1, 4]				
	45% (^1%) Agree	33% (↓1%) Neither	22% (↔) Disagree	29% (†1%) Agree	46% (↑2%) Neither	25% (\psi 3%) Disagree	46% (\psi 1%) Agree	21% (†3%) Neither	33% (√2%) Disagree	

To what extent do you... [1,4] [$\uparrow \downarrow \leftrightarrow =$ change, * = significant difference]

Trust Hertfordshire County Council	Think Hertfordshire County Council acts on the concerns of residents	Think Hertfordshire County Council is innovative		
77% ↑(3%) A great deal/ to some extent	64% ↑(2%) A great deal/ to some extent	54% ↑(4%) A great deal/ to some extent		

How well informed do you think Hertfordshire County Council keeps residents about the services and benefits it provides? $^{[1, 2, 4]}$ $_{[\uparrow \downarrow \leftrightarrow = \text{change}, * = \text{significant difference}]}$ 40% $_{\downarrow (1\%)}$ Well informed

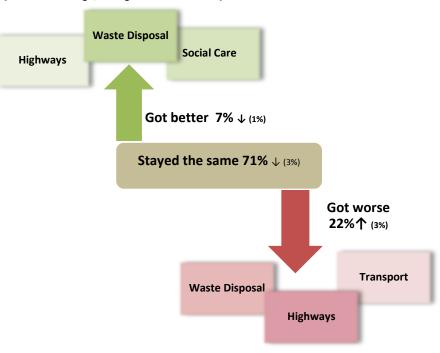
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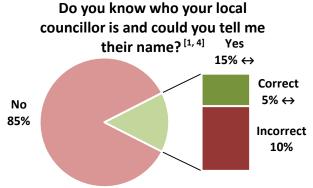
62% Well informed

39% Not well informed

Over the last 12 months do you think that services Hertfordshire County Council provide have got better, stayed the same or got worse? And which services have got better/worse? [1, 4]

 $[\uparrow \downarrow \leftrightarrow = \text{change}, * = \text{significant difference}]$





Notes

- 1. Local results taken from Herts Residents' Survey (October 2015), a telephone survey with a representative cross-section of 1,000 Hertfordshire residents aged 16+.
- 2. National results taken from LGA/LGinsight National Poll (June 2015), a telephone survey with a representative cross-section of approximately 1,000 GB residents aged 18+. Figures rebased to exclude "Don't know" responses.
- 3. Trend based local data taken from Herts County Tracker (6 waves, 2004-09) and Herts Residents' Survey (17 waves, Dec 2010-October 2015). Trend based national data taken from LGA/LGinsight National Poll (16 waves, Oct 2010-June 2015). Long-term trend lines based on 4-period moving averages in order to minimise the impact of errors associated with individual survey estimates. 1-year change figures based on individual survey results. 5-year change figures based on long-term trend lines.
- 4. Change based on comparison with Herts Residents' Survey (October 2014) a telephone survey with a representative cross-section of 1,000 respondents aged 16+; results: Value for money (48% agree; 34% neither; 18% disagree); The council does enough to look after people most in need (44% agree; 34% neither; 22% disagree); The council helps people into work (28% agree; 44% neither; 28% disagree); The council encourages residents to get involved in their local community (47% agree; 18% neither; 35% disagree); Trust HCC (74% a great deal/to some extent); Think HCC acts on concerns of residents (62% a great deal/to some extent); Think HCC is innovative (50% a great deal/to some extent); HCC keeps residents informed (59% well informed); Services got better or worse (8% (Got better); 74% (stayed the same); 19% (Got worse)); Know who Councillor is (15% Yes, 5% correct).
- 5. National results taken from Community Life Survey 2014-15 a face to face survey with randomly selected adults aged 16+ in England. Figures based on cumulative data (2,022 interviews) across 2014-15
- 6. Change based on comparison with Herts Residents' Survey (October 2014) a telephone survey with a representative cross-section of 1,000 respondents aged 16+; result 33%. Question asked in all 16 waves of Herts Residents' Survey, and there has been a significant decrease between wave 1 (40%) and wave 17 (33%).