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Councillor says 'we look stupid' over potholes



There are currently 11,000 pothole repair jobs in Lancashire County Council's "work in progress" pile

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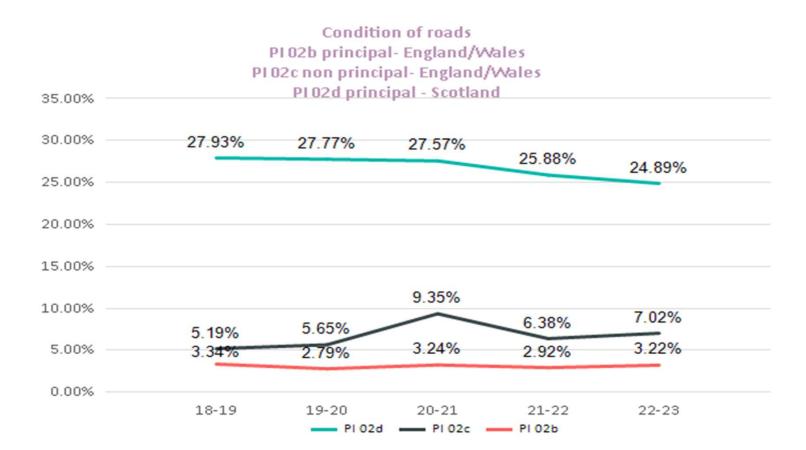




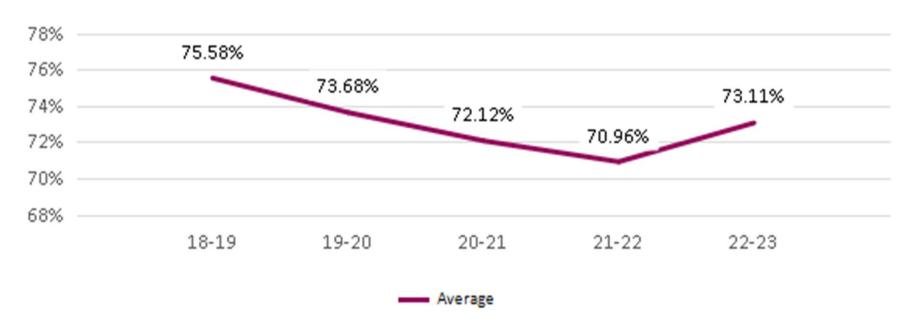








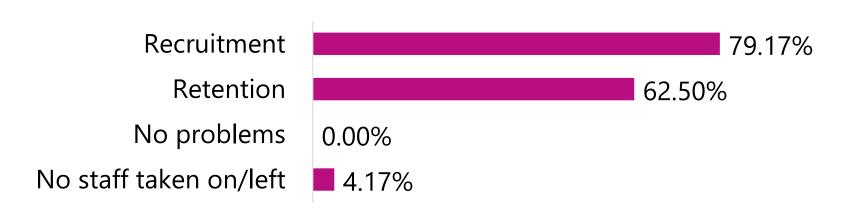
PI 16 Percentage of actual maintenance expenditure (carriageways and footways) which is planned



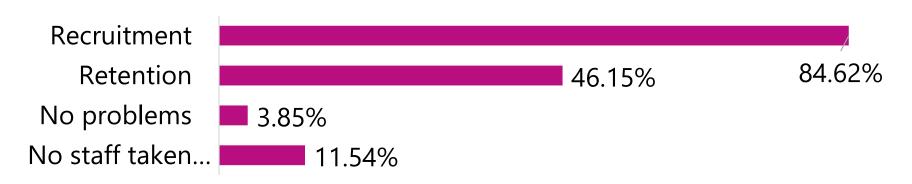
PI 43 Total cost for carriageway winter maintenance treatment over entire winter period divided by the total carriageway network length
PI 50 Total cost for footway winter maintenance treatment over the entire winter period divided by the total footway network length



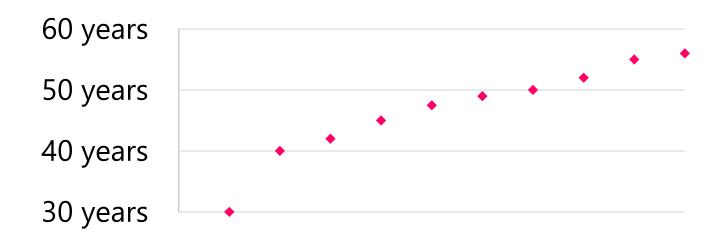
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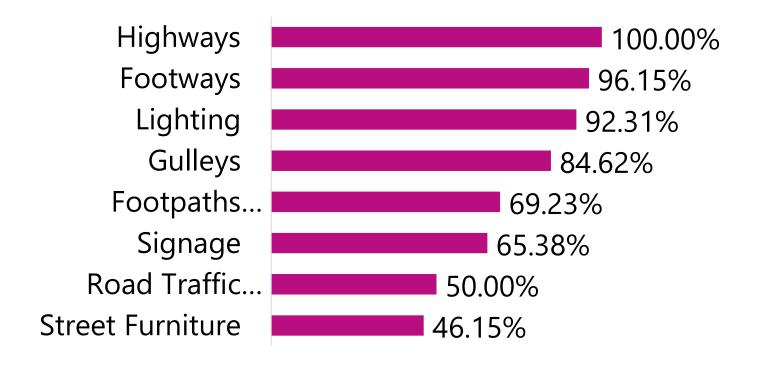


Technical/managerial staff



What is the average age of your highways maintenance operational staff?



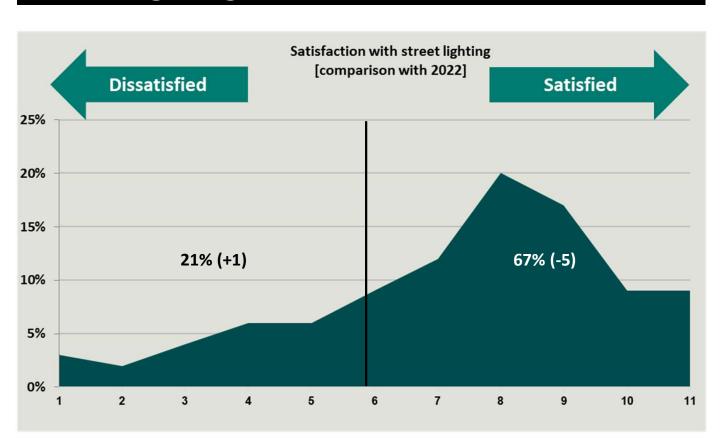


Key fact 1: Relative Trust in Councils high

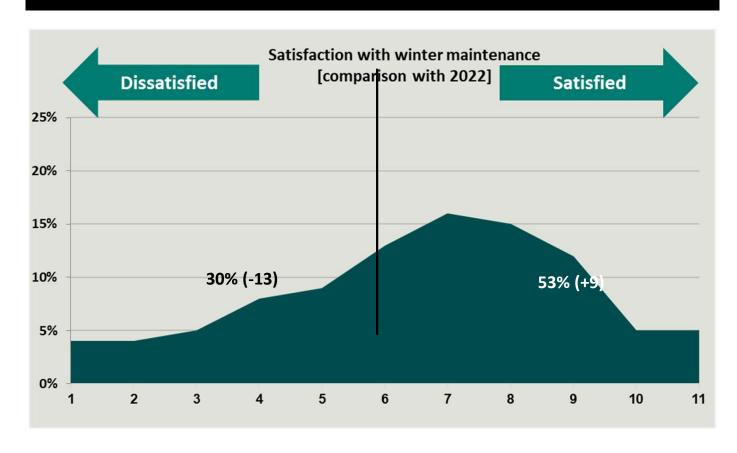
Trust in Councils and Councillors has decreased slightly in the past year, as trust in Government and Ministers has also declined. However, trust in Councils and Councillors is still high overall compared to trust in Government and Ministers.

- Four times as many people trust local councils (49%) to make decisions about how services are delivered in their local areas compared to national government (12%).
- <u>Eight times as many people trust local councillors (51%)</u> more than government ministers (6%) to make decisions about how services are provided in their local area.
- <u>Local councils are trusted more than 4 times</u> than Government or Private companies to deliver services in their area

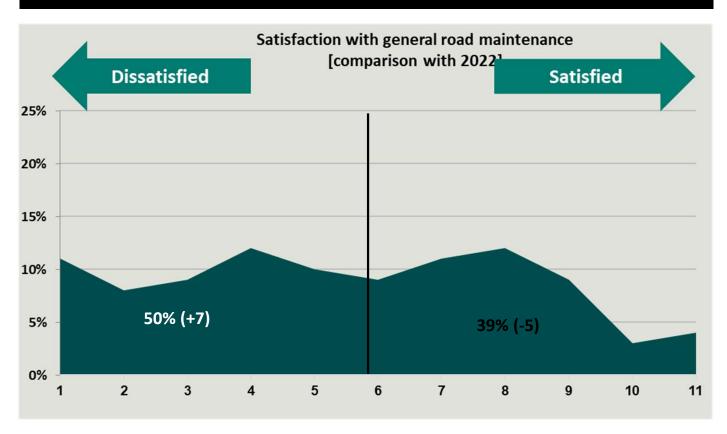
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Essex plans to bring maintenance in-house

15/03/2024 Steve Menary

Essex County Council is planning to bring more highways maintenance in-house when procurement for a new contract starts next year.

The plans have been floated by the Conservative-led council, although its current contract with Ringway Jacobs, which was first agreed back in 2012, does not run out for another three years.

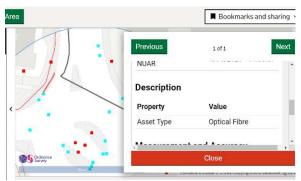


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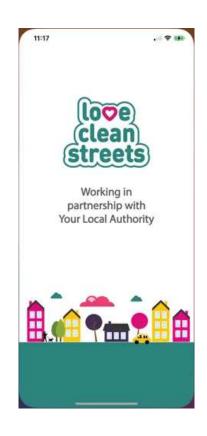
About NUAR – A request please, to help improve resilience!

- The Geospatial Commission is building a digital map of underground pipes and cables that will revolutionise the way we install, maintain, operate and repair our buried infrastructure the **National Underground Asset Register** (NUAR).
- NUAR will improve the efficiency and safety of underground works by creating a secure, auditable, trusted and sustainable platform.
- It will provide a consistent, interactive digital map of buried asset data, accessible when, where and how it is needed by those planning and executing excavations on behalf of underground asset owners.
- It will also lead to enhanced communication between parties and improve data quality.

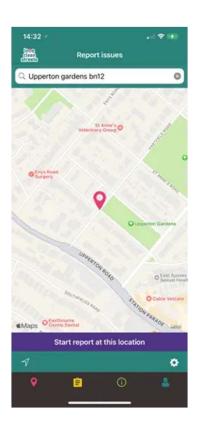






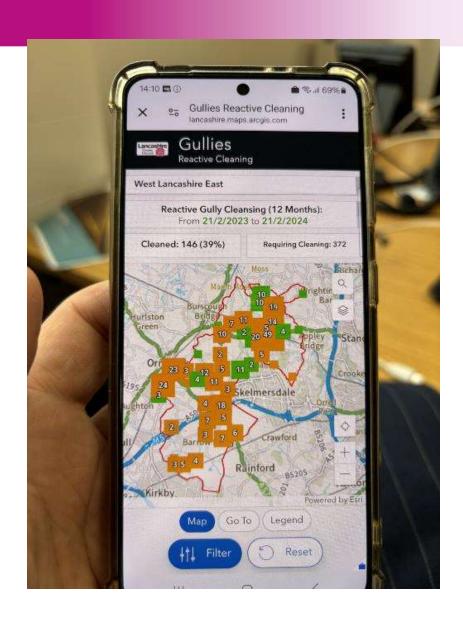








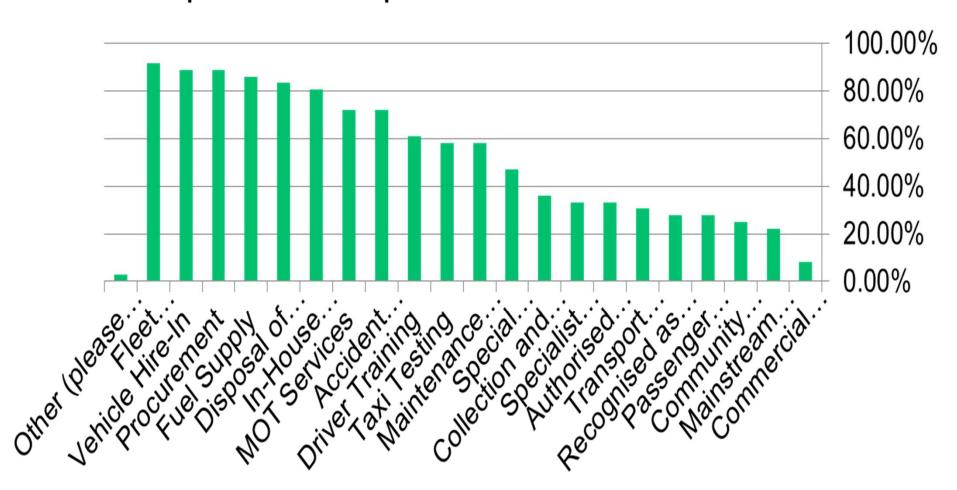
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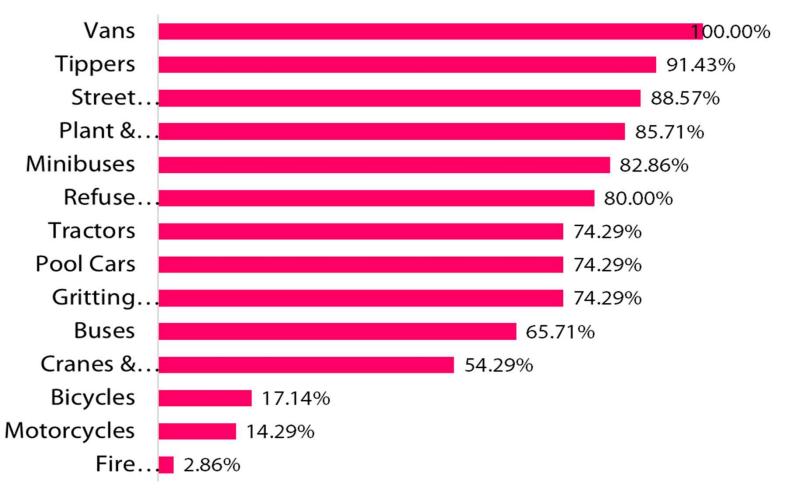
New Government

- 5 year funding horizon as per National Highways
- Equitable distribution rather than competitive
- Investment in Training and Skills
- Pothole catch-up

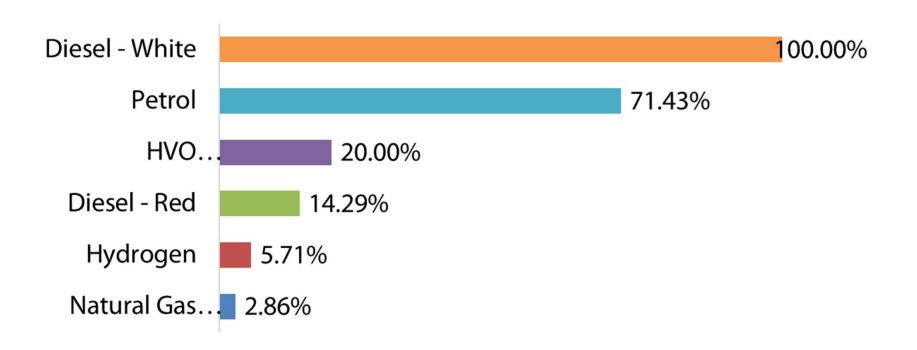
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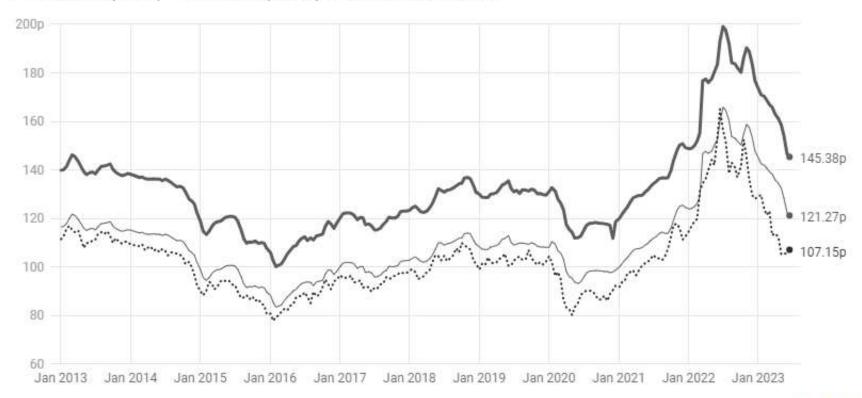
Fuels - Non-electric



Diesel - average UK pump and wholesale prices over time

Latest prices for B7 fuel in pence per litre

- Diesel pump (inc VAT) - Diesel pump (exc VAT) ···· Diesel delivered wholesale

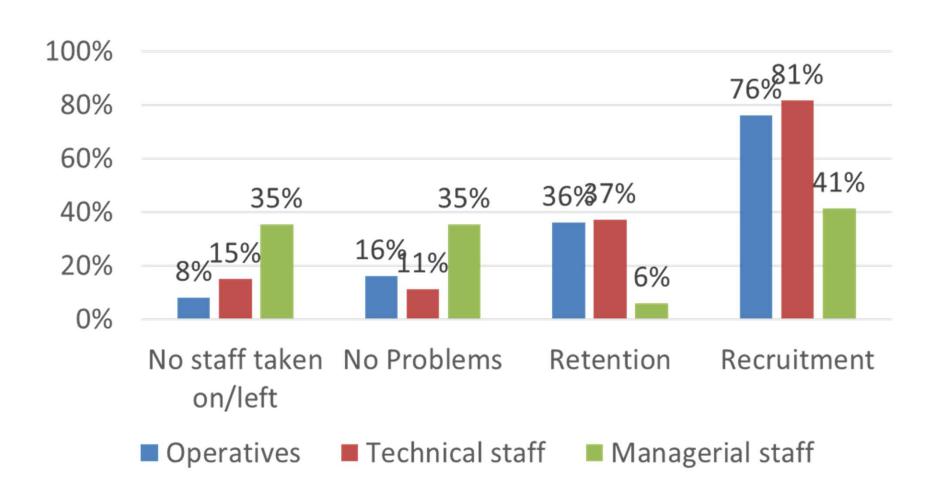


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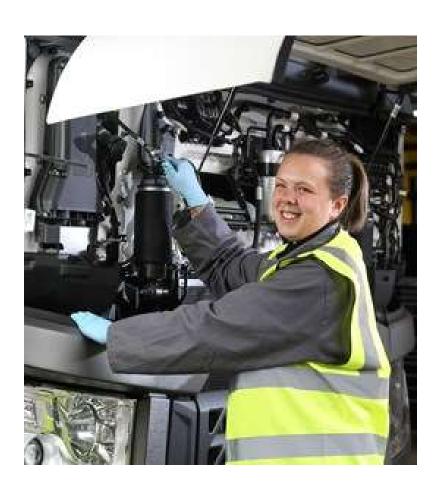
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Carbon reduction



Technological Evolution





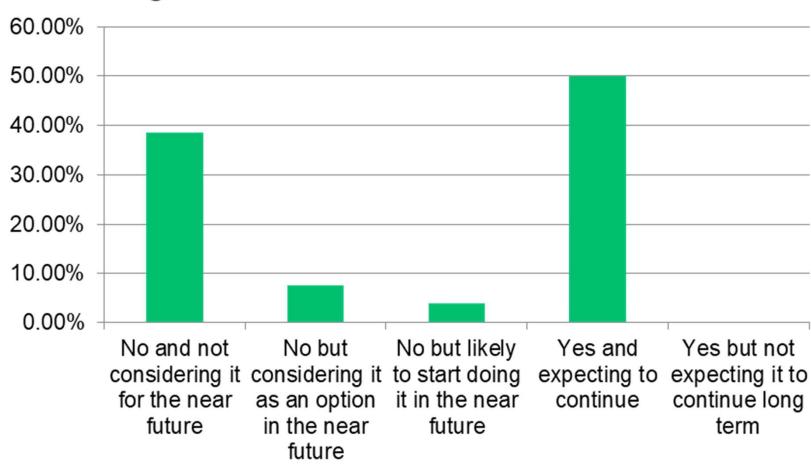


Climate Change Committee - Key Messages

- •The UK Government now has a solid Net Zero strategy in place, but important policy gaps remain.
- Tangible progress is lagging the policy ambition. With an emissions path set for the UK and the Net Zero Strategy published, greater emphasis and focus must be placed on delivery.
- •Successful delivery of changes on the ground requires active management of delivery risks. Not all policies will deliver as planned. Some may be more successful than expected, while others will fall behind.
- •Action to address the rising cost of living should be aligned with Net Zero. There remains an urgent need for equivalent action to reduce demand for fossil fuels to reduce emissions and limit energy bills.
- •Slow progress on wider enablers. The Net Zero Strategy contained warm words on many of the cross-cutting enablers of the transition, but there has been little concrete progress.



Do you currently sell your services to organisations external to the council?



New Government

- Clarity of direction over Net-zero
- Funding for Special Needs Transport
- Investment in Training and Skills
- Roads Infrastructure
- Driving Licence Reform

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