

Overall Summary of Spitting Questionnaires

Summary of Question 1 - Have you seen incidents of spitting in public places in doncaster in the last twelve months?

The responses to question 1 showed that 76% of people who completed the questionnaires had seen incidents of spitting in public places in Doncaster in the last twelve months, only 22% had not seen any incidents of spitting and 2% did not answer this question. This shows that a much greater percentage of people surveyed have witnessed spitting in the past 12 months.

Summary of Question 2 - Was the incident:

The response to question 2 showed that the majority of incidents seen were located in neighbourhoods around where people lived 36% were located in neighbourhoods, 23% were outside businesses, 18% were outside homes, 19% were other locations and 2% did not respond to this question. When the section Other was expanded the results were as followed: 51% was in Doncaster Town Centre, 27% was all over the Doncaster area, 10% were at Bus Stops and Bus Stations, 3% was out of cars, 3% were in Parks, 2% were in and around Public Houses, 2% were in the Doncaster surrounding areas, 1% hadn't seen any in the specified areas and 2% in the Outer areas of doncaster including Mexborough.

Summary of Question 3 - Please state the frequency of incidents of spitting:

The response to Question 3 showed that the main frequency of spitting witnessed was several times a week. 23% responses indicated the people were witnessing spitting several times a week. 15% responded that it was less than once a month, 14% responded 2-3 times a month, 12% responded several times a day, 11% Responded about once a week, 8% had never witnessed any spitting, 7% said about once a month a further 7% responded suggesting spitting was occurring about once a day. 3% did not respond to this question

Summary of Question 4 - Would you support a proposal to introduce a by-law to prohibit spitting in Doncaster? (Note: breach of a by-law which prohibits spitting would be criminal

The response to Question 4 showed that 58% of people surveyed would support the by-law everywhere in doncaster, 16% would support the by-law on all streets, 8% would support the by-law within all parks, 5% would support the by-laws in town centres 13% would not support the by-law and under 1% did not respond to this question. 87% of all people surveyed would support the by-law.

Summary of Question 5a - If you answered 'No' to question 4, would you rather spitting was tackled without it becoming a criminal offence? If yes please specify.

The response to Question 5a showed that 72% of people surveyed do not feel spitting should be tackled and only 28% said yes. Of the 28% Surveyed 35% did not specify what offence they would like to be issued, 30% responded with fixed fines should be the penalty, 25% suggested warnings should be given out, 10% said that other Criminal Offences should be concentrated on.

Summary of Question 5b - If you answered 'Yes' to question 4, on what grounds would you support a by-law to prohibit spitting?

The response to Question 5b showed 48% of people surveyed to responded with Public Health Grounds. 47% responded with Anti Social Behaviour, 3% responded with other and 2% didn't respond. When the Other section is broken down 63% did not respond 12.5% responded with Bad Manners and a further 12.5% responded with fixed penalties, 6% responded with abuse of Public Places and 6% responded with don't agree.

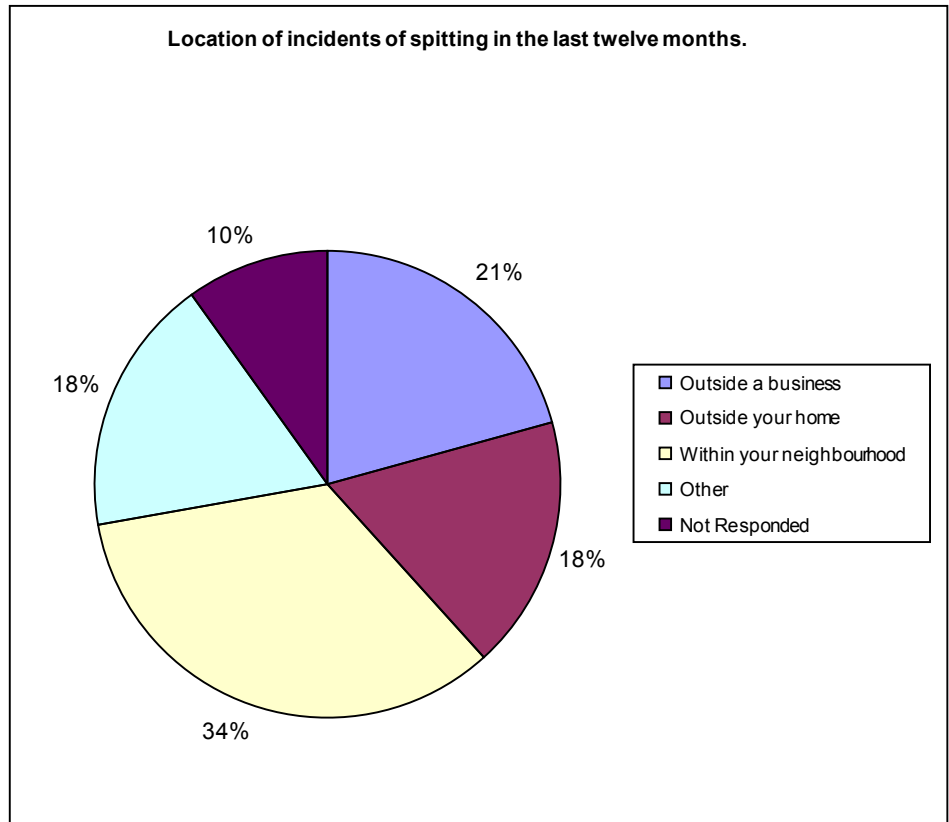
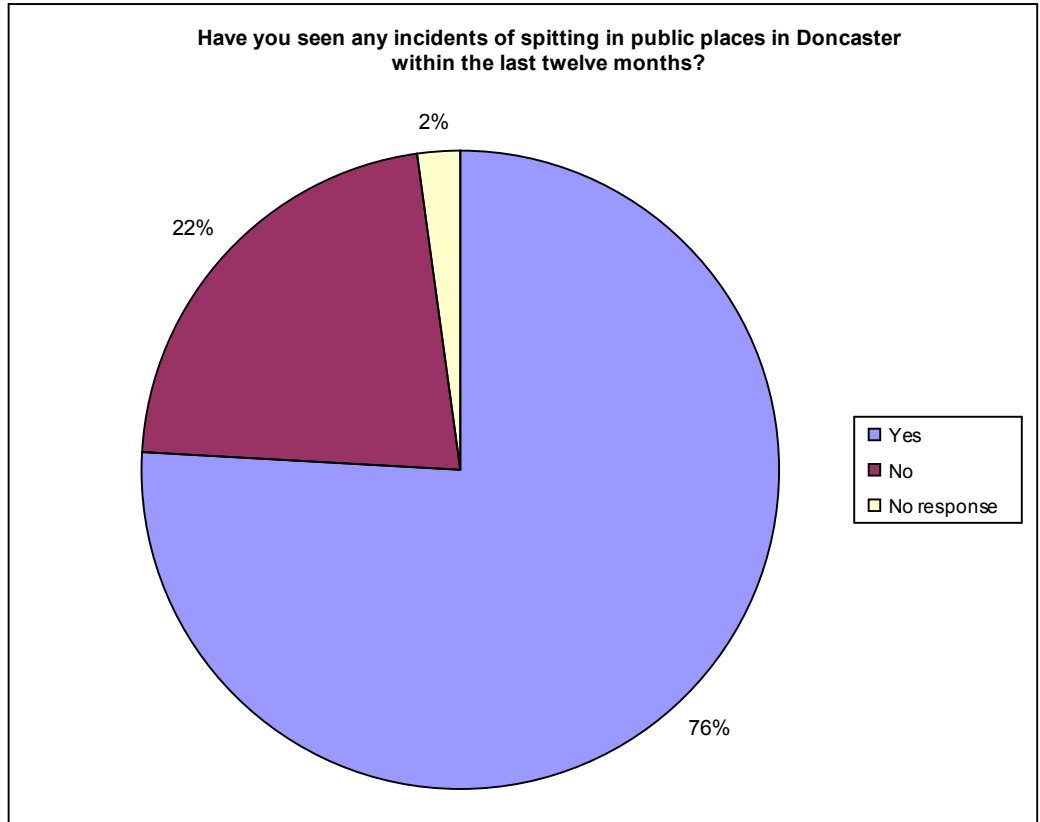
Summary of Question 6 - Please state your reasons for supporting or not supporting a proposal to introduce a by-law to prohibit spitting in Doncaster

The response to Question 6 57% of people who were surveyed stated their reason for supporting the by-law was that spitting was that it is unhealthy/ dirty/ disgusting/ unhygienic/ public health/ unnecessary. 9% responded negatively with more important issues than spitting should be tackled/ waste of time and money/ hard to enforce, 8% responded it was Anti Social, 7% responded with sets a bad example, 6% responded that it should be treated as litter and dog fouling a further 6% responded with it not being nice to witness/ look at, 3% responded with dislike spitting and under 1% responded with nothing wrong with spitting.

1. Have you seen incidents of spitting in public places in Doncaster in the last twelve months?	Yes	No	Not responded						
	384	111	11						
2. Was the incident:	Outside a Business	Outside your home	Within your neighbourhood	Others	Not Specified				
	138	117	226	119	66				
If 'Other', please specify	Town Centre	All over/ Everywhere	Car	Doncaster	bus stops	None seen	Outer Areas	Parks	Public Houses
	77	40	4	6	10	3	3	4	3
3. Please specify the frequency of incidents of spitting	Never	less than once a month	about once a month	2-3 times a month	about once a week	several times a week	about once a day	several times a day	Not specified
	34	65	32	63	49	102	31	55	14
4. Would you support a proposal to introduce a by-law to prohibit spitting in Doncaster? (Note: breach of a by-law which prohibits spitting would be criminal offence.)	No, Not at all	Yes everywhere in Doncaster	yes for town centres only	Yes on all streets	yes within all parks and public open spaces	Any other specific locations	Not Specified		
	71	305	26	83	40	0	1		
If you answered 'Yes, within other specific locations' please specify									
5a. If you answered 'No' to question 4, would you rather spitting was tackled without it becoming a criminal offence?	No, I don't feel spitting should be tackled	Yes							
	51	20							
If 'Yes', please specify	Warnings	Concentrate on other criminal offences	Fines	No comments					
	5	2	6	7					
5b. If you answered 'Yes' to question 4, on what grounds would you support a by-law to prohibit spitting?	Anti Social Behaviour	Public Health Grounds	Other	No comments					
	267	268	16	15					
If 'Other,' please specify	Don't agree	Abuse of public place	Bad Manners	Fixed Penalty	Not responded				
	1	1	2	2	10				
6. Please state your reasons for supporting or not supporting a proposal to introduce a by-law to prohibit spitting in Doncaster	No Comment	Unhealthy / dirty / disgusting / unhygienic / public health/ unnecessary	Not nice to look at/ witness	Dislike spitting	Anti social	more important issues than spitting/time and money could be better spent/ hard to enforce	should be treated as litter/ dog fouling	bad example	Nothing wrong with spitting
	32	292	32	14	44	42	25	28	3
Type of questionnaires completed	Online Questionnaires	Face to Face Questionnaires							
	185	321							

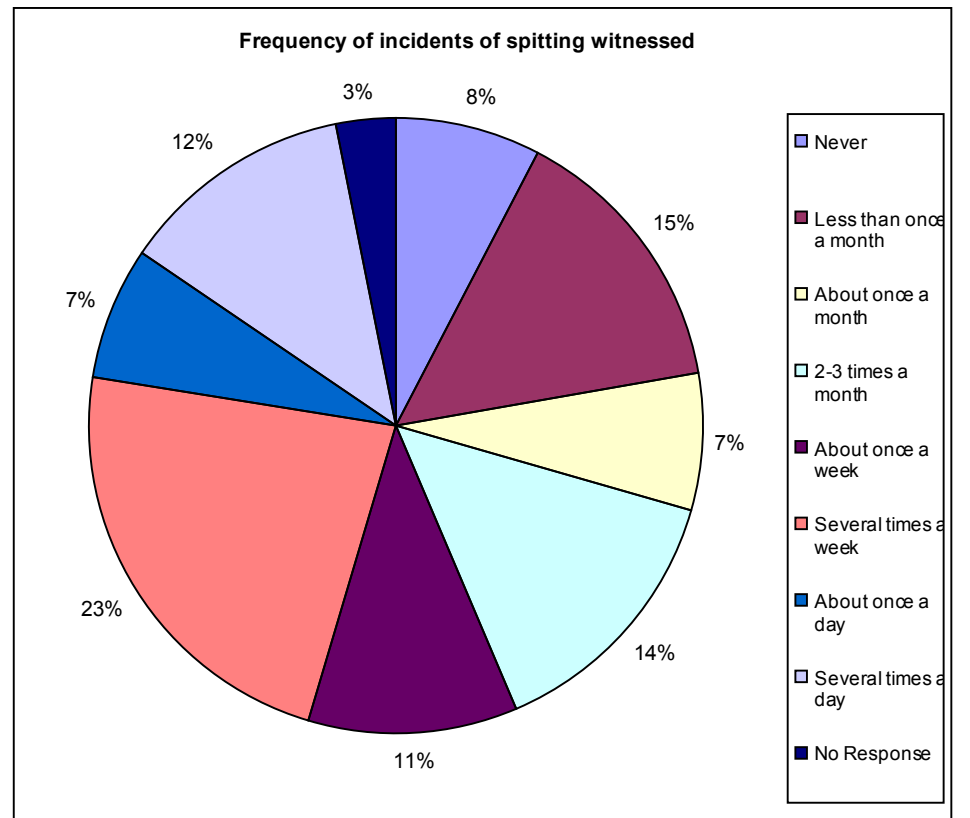
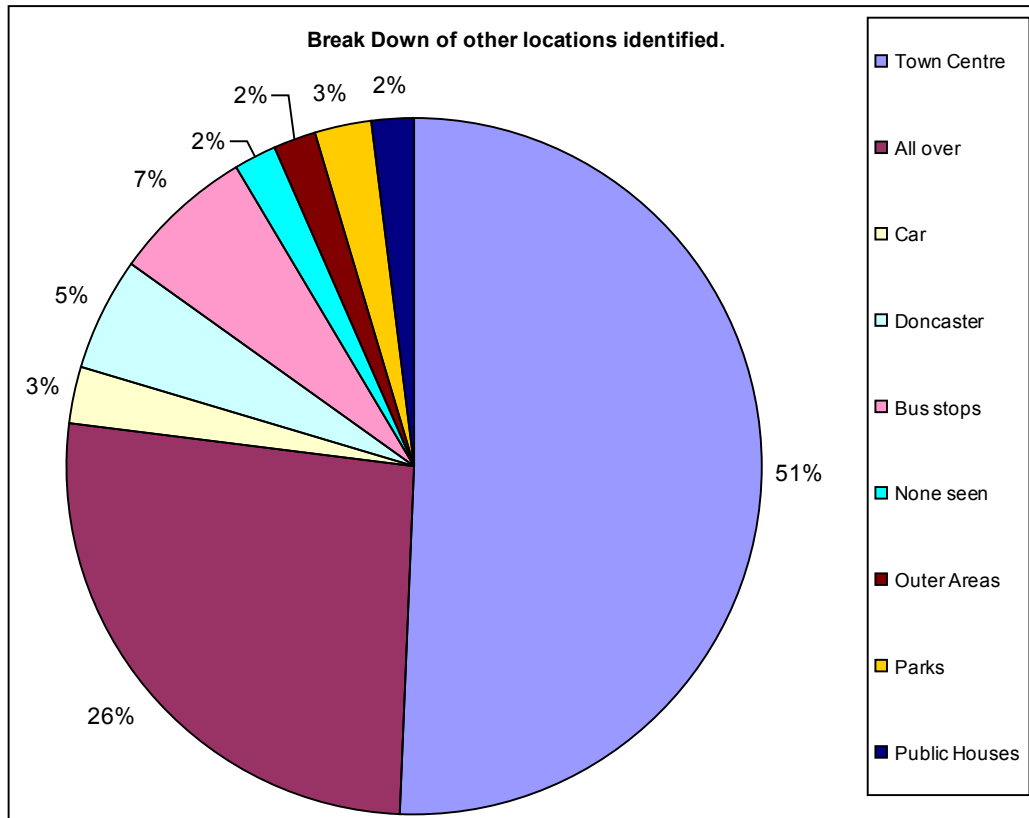
Have you seen any incidents of spitting in public places in Doncaster within the last Twelve months?	Amount of responses
Yes	384
No	111
No response	11

Location of the incident	Amount of responses per location
Outside a business	138
Outside your home	117
Within your neighbourhood	226
Other	119
Not Responded	66

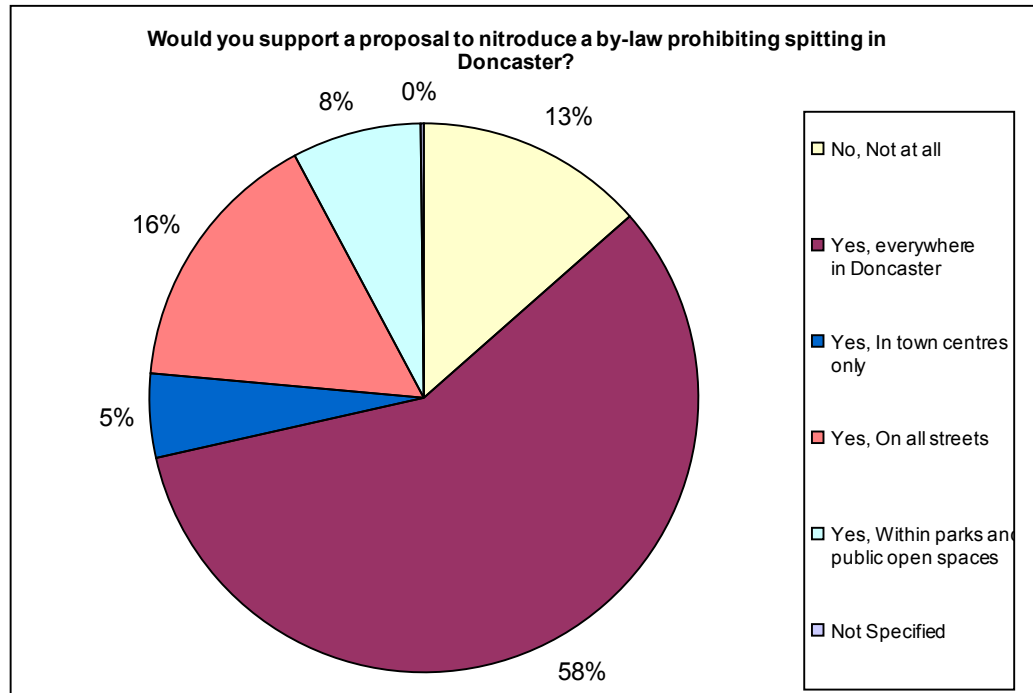


Break Down of Other Locations	Number of resopnces per other - sub category
Town Centre	77
All over	40
Car	4
Doncaster	8
Bus stops	10
None seen	3
Outer Areas	3
Parks	4
Public Houses	3

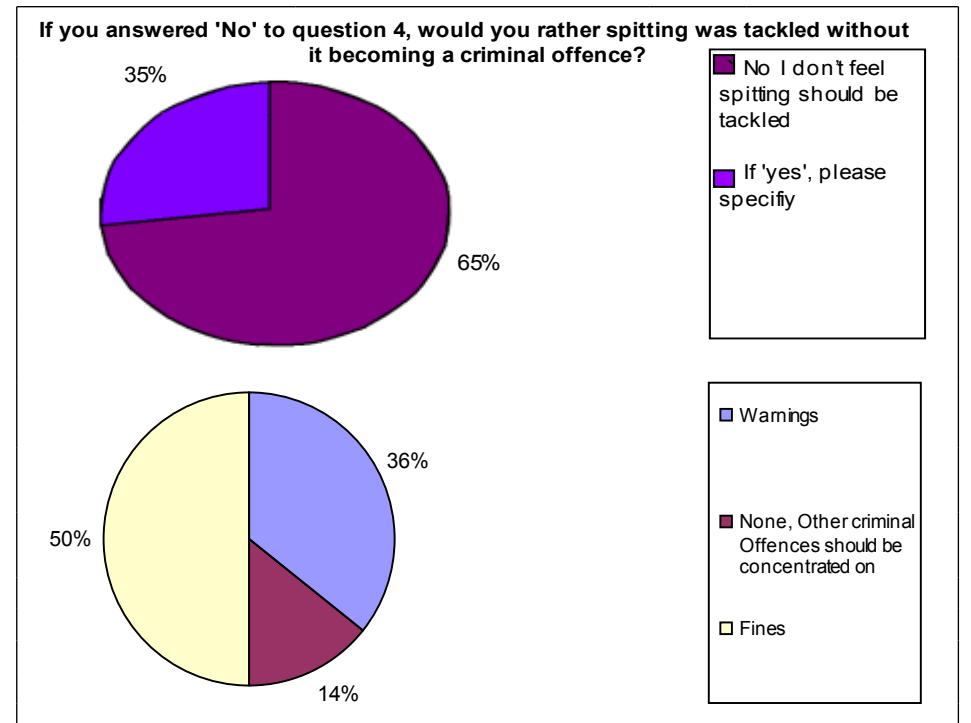
Please Specify the frequency of incidents of spitting you have witnessed?	Frequency of incidents of spitting witnessed
Never	34
Less than once a month	65
About once a month	32
2-3 times a month	63
About once a week	49
Several times a week	102
About once a day	31
Several times a day	55
No Response	14



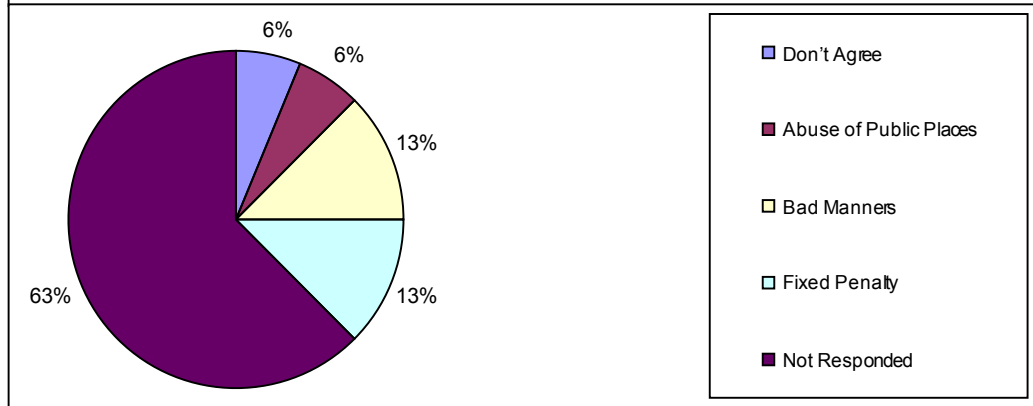
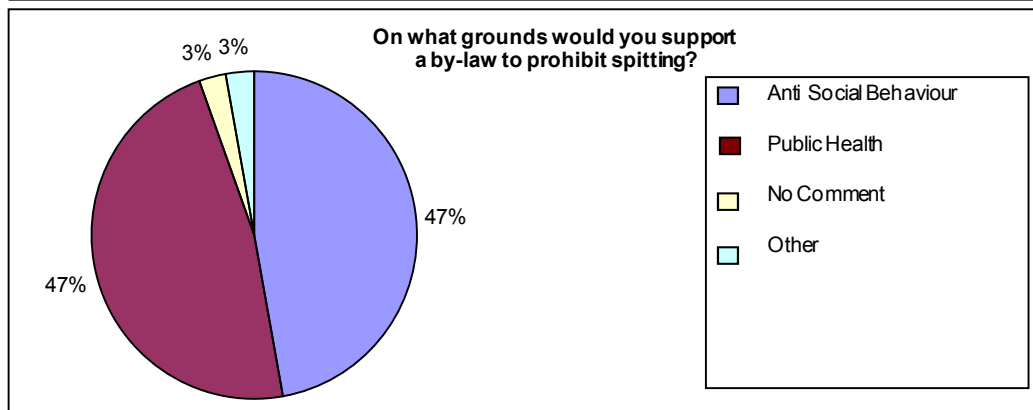
Would you support a proposal to introduce a by-law prohibiting spitting in doncaster?	Responses to the question
No, Not at all	71
Yes, everywhere in Doncaster	305
Yes, In town centres only	26
Yes, On all streets	83
Yes, Within parks and public open spaces	40
Not Specified	1



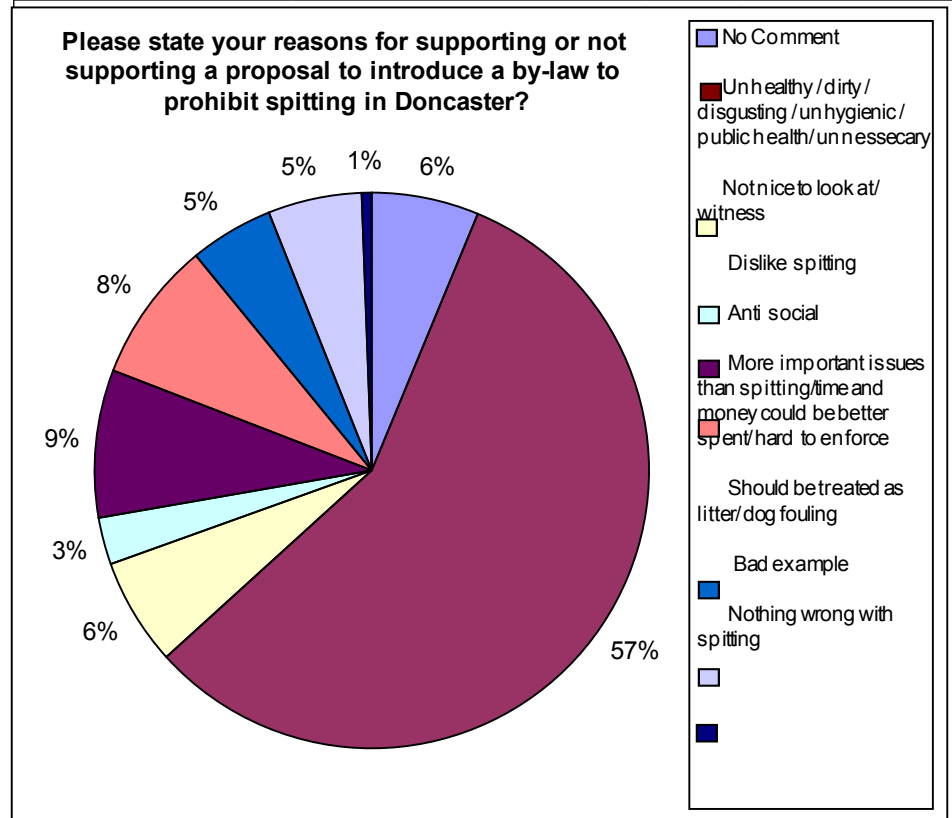
If you answered 'No' to question 4, would you rather spitting was tackled without it becoming a criminal offence?		Number of responses to the Question
No, I don't feel spitting should be tackled		51
If 'Yes', please specify		20
Yes Break down	Warnings	5
	None, Other criminal Offences should be concentrated on	2
	Fines	7



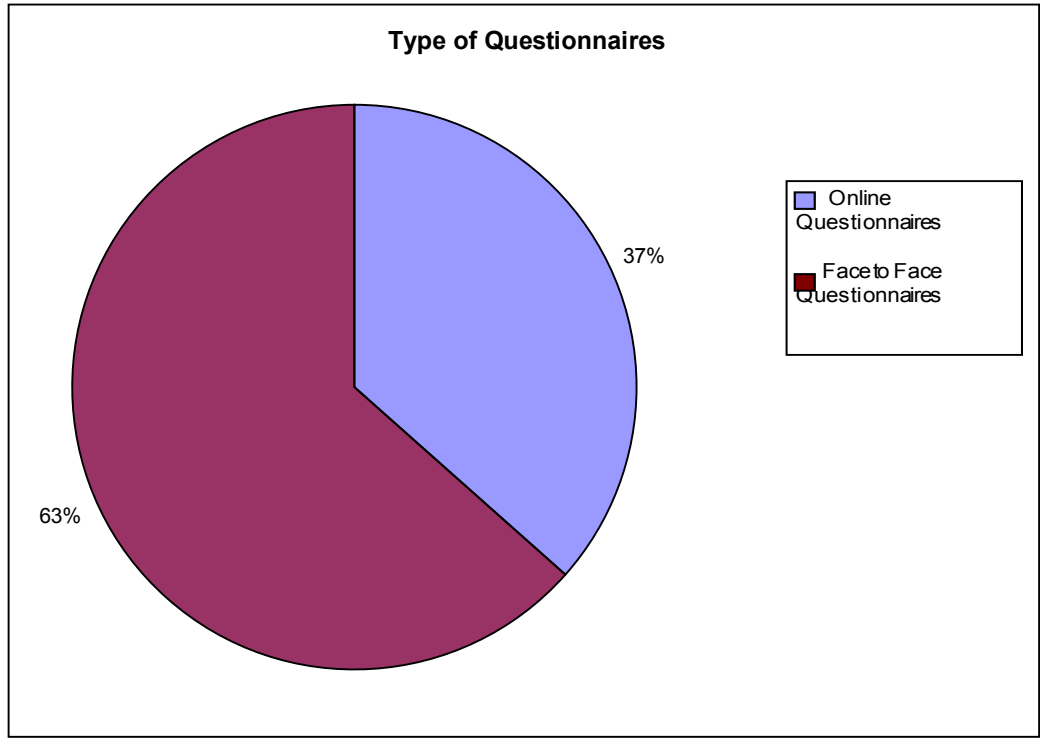
If you answered 'Yes' to question 4, on what grounds would you support a by-law to prohibit spitting?		Number of responses
Anti Social Behaviour		267
Public Health		268
No Comments		15
Other		16
Other Break Down	Don't Agree	1
	Abuse of Public Places	1
	Bad Manners	2
	Fixed Penalty	2
	Not Responded	10



Please state your reasons for supporting or not supporting a proposal to introduce a by-law to prohibit spitting in Doncaster	Number of responses
No Comment	32
Unhealthy / dirty / disgusting / unhygienic / public health/ unnessecary	292
Not nice to look at/ witness	32
Dislike spitting	14
Anti social	44
More important issues than spitting/time and money could be better spent/ hard to enforce	42
Should be treated as litter/ dog fouling	25
Bad example	28
Nothing wrong with spitting	3



Type of questionnaire completed	
Online Questionnaires	185
Face to Face Questionnaires	321



Spitting Bylaw Social Media Responses - Twitter	
09/07/12 Doncaster Council @MyDoncaster	Do you want a spitting by-law in #doncasterisgreat or does the thought make you spitting mad? It's time to have your say...
Response From	Response
Chris Oldacre @coldacre	@MyDoncaster yes. The more draconian the better.
Matthew Pickering @mjpicko	@MyDoncaster ban it!
Proud Doncastrians @Donfactster	@MyDoncaster Absolutely 100% backing the law.
Paul Friend @dnwx	@MyDoncaster and a bylaw prohibiting drinking alcohol on public transport!
Chris Oldacre @coldacre	@dnwx @MyDoncaster 100% agree - suppose laws worthless without enabling people to enforce. Plans? #zerotolerance
Vince Donald @vinedonald	And outside the Job Centre RT @dnwx @MyDoncaster @coldacre and a bylaw prohibiting drinking alcohol on public transport!
05/09/12 Doncaster Council @MyDoncaster	This week's the last chance to tell us whether you feel spitting is a problem in Doncaster: so what are your views and do you want a by-law?
Response From	Response
Tommy Hughes @tommyshortfuse	@MyDoncaster drinking alcohol in the street should be banned
Chris Calladine @chrisjic	@MyDoncaster Yes it is a horrible problem & a by-law would be good.Chap just spat out-side my
07/09/12 Doncaster Council @MyDoncaster	Mayor says he hopes people will support proposal for spitting by-law before consultation closes on Sunday (9 Sept) http://goo.gl/wLOII
Response From	Response
Jenna Liddle @JennBen	@MyDoncaster spitting is vile!! I hope this actually happens #doncasterisgreat
Paul Friend @dnwx	When @MyDoncaster is there going to be a bylaw prohibiting drinking of alcohol on public transport and in public parks? #DoncasterisGreat

Spitting Bylaw Social Media Responses - Facebook	
10/07/12 MyDoncaster	Do you want a spitting by-law in #doncasterisgreat or does the thought make you spitting mad? It's time to have your say http://ow.ly/c88R6
Response From	Response
Pamela Kartawick likes this	
Paul Gilliatt	Yes and footballers should be prosecuted too, it is foul and spreads TB July 10 at 9:55am
James Narey	Spitting is awful July 10 at 11:08am
Fiona Cahill	Seems obv it's unpleasant. A by law though? / not really gonna make those who do so stop IMO. Smacks of pointless populism. Give it a bit more thought... July 10 at 12:04pm
Sandra Norburn	Can't say I've ever seen anyone spitting in donny.... July 10 at 5:08pm
Jeni Wyman	wonderful idea as long as there are appropriate resources to manage the intervention that will certainly be required. otherwise, as Fiona says, will be a bit pointless! July 10 at 5:57pm
11/07/12 MyDoncaster	If there is a by-law it means we can enforce it and hand out fines - would this make people stop doing it?
Response From	Response
Fiona Cahill	I also wonder if they do enforce fines for those who do spit (agreed with the other poster not something I've seen much of) I wonder how much time and money will be wasted in trying to get them to pay the fines July 11 at 6:20pm via mobile
05/09/12 MyDoncaster	The Mayor has called for more to be done to rid our streets of the problem and asked residents whether they want the council to apply for this power through an application to the Secretary of State.
Response From	Response
Julie Gore	Another problem to be addressed in Doncaster are the smokers around the train station especially those who exit the frenchgate by the doors near station and immediately light a cigarette. To walk out by these doors you have to go through a cloud of smoke, the smokers seem oblivious to the 'no smoking' signs that are posted around. Its been a particular problem during the summer holidays as the kids seem to congregate around these doors. It really needs policing better and the smokers moved on or given an on the spot fine as the place is then littered with their discarded cigarettes
Smeli Meli Bennett	i hate spitting
Richard Lewis	as much as i hate to witness some scruff flem up a greeny' and gob on the footpath i think there are far more important issues to deal with than this. and where does the line get drawn i wonder, how can you tell some out running not to clear their throat? and how'll enforce this rule, the area officers whose jobs are under threat? and who've already got too much on doing the work of three people? this is another poor attempt at a vote winner
Fiona Cahill	Popularist nonsense don't recall seeing anyone spitting tbh. One also wonders how this can be enforced I can't imagine as Richard has described, 'the scruff who gobs up a greeny' to be that bothered about the fact that there is now a bylaw prohibiting it. If the mayor wants to get tough on something I'd suggest he has a closer look at his party..
Pauline Codd	how about comunal spitoon...i know just where to put it..it's on the tip of my tongue...