

The Future of NRS sites

Trawsfynydd - Site-specific report

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About the site-specific reports

The following site-specific reports have been written using data from the quantitative survey conducted by Thinks as part of their public research on behalf of NRS. Verbatim responses from the online community have also been included to illustrate the findings.

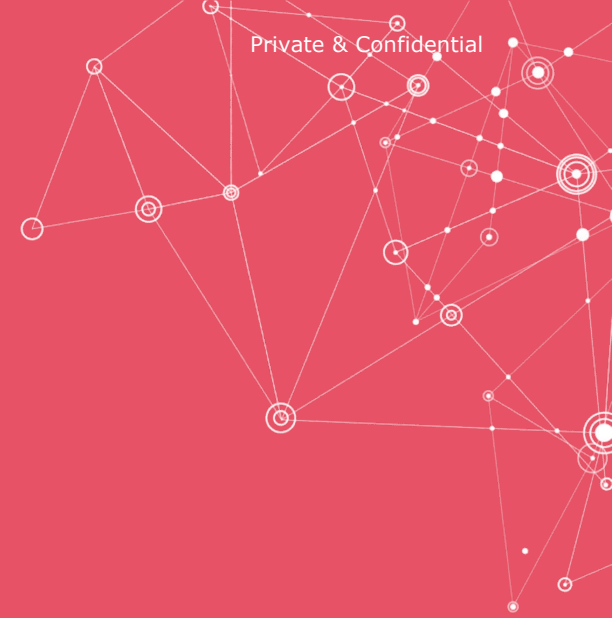
The survey asked 2100 respondents, comprising:

- **Nat rep sample:** 1000 people, demographically representative of the UK
- **Local boost:** 600 respondents who live within 40 minutes of an NRS site (50 participants in each of 12 sites)*
- **Young people boost:** A boost of 500x 11-18-year-olds

The data informing the site-specific reports comes from a combination of the local boost sample and those in the Nat rep sample who live near an NRS site. Please note that this means the base sizes for each site are small (<100). Differences between the sites are therefore to be treated indicatively, rather than as statistically significant.

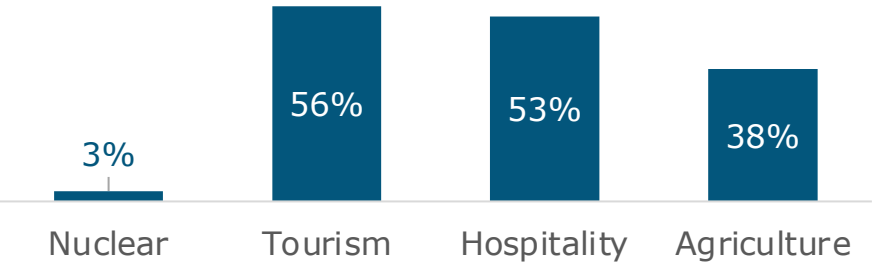
It is also worth noting that views towards priorities and strategies for decommissioning are consistent across the sites, and these can be found in more detail in the full report, which contains analysis across all NRS sites and from all phases of the research (the online community, deliberative workshops and the survey).

Key findings



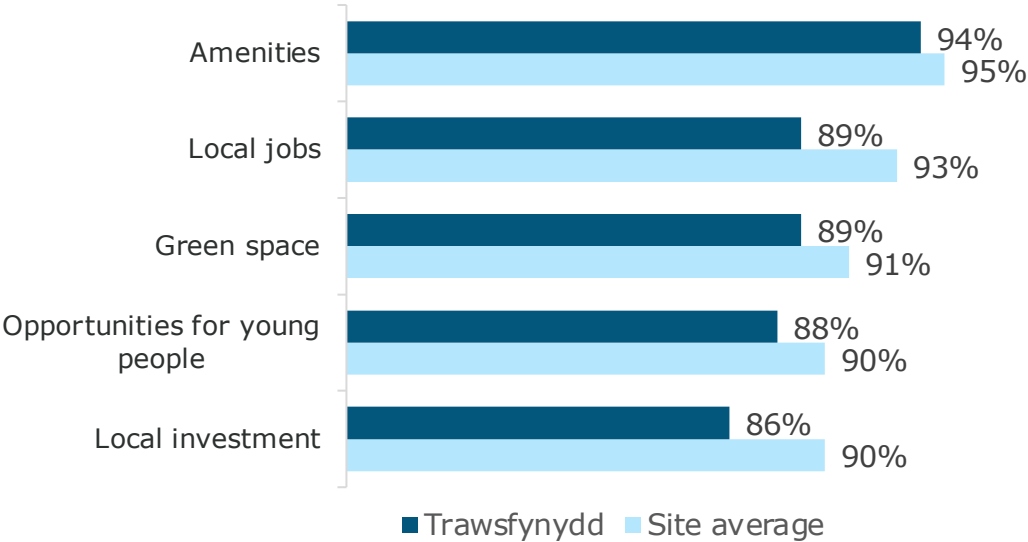
Located in Snowdonia National Park, tourism is felt to be most significant for Trawsfynydd's economy

Which of the following areas do you feel has the biggest positive impact on your local economy?
Trawsfynydd - Selected responses



The **lowest proportion** of respondents across all sites associate nuclear energy production with Trawsfynydd's local economy.

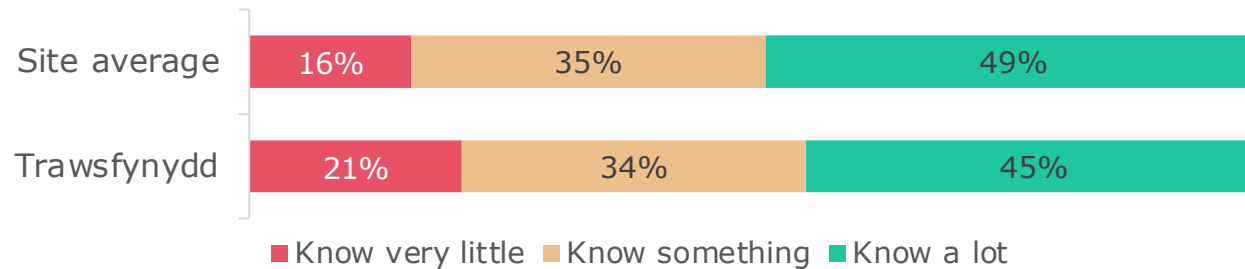
Which areas of public life are important for the future of your local area? Showing % who scored 7-10 / 10 (Top 5 Trawsfynydd responses)



Trawsfynydd's priorities are broadly consistent with the other sites. **Local investment** and **affordable housing** are deemed slightly **less important** than for other sites, but they are still rated as important overall.

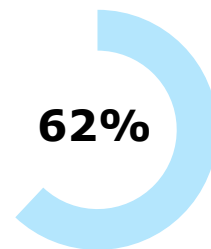
Knowledge about nuclear energy is in line with other sites, while support is lower

How much do you feel you know about nuclear energy in the UK?



Reported knowledge is in line with other sites, with **one in five claiming to know very little** (21% vs. 16% average).

Support for nuclear power to provide energy in the UK



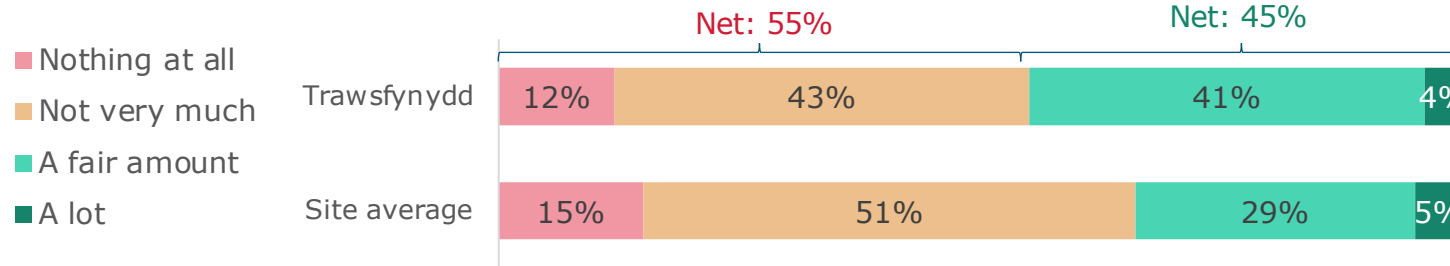
Meanwhile, although a positive three in five do support the use of nuclear power in the UK, this is the **lowest of all the site scores** (62% vs. 72% average).

"I am worried about a nuclear accident, the amount of time it needs to decommission worries me."

Online Community, Trawsfynydd

However, awareness of the local site itself is fairly high, primarily due to word of mouth

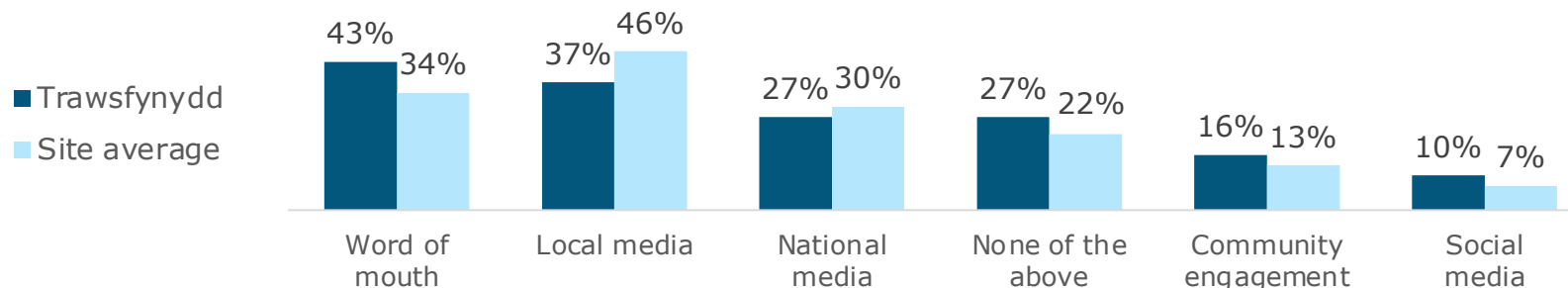
How much do you feel you know about your local nuclear site?



45% say they know 'a fair amount' about their local site, although this is not significantly more than the site average of 34%.

Qualitatively, it appears that much of this travels by **word of mouth** and can consist of local rumours.

Where, if anywhere, have you heard about your local nuclear site?



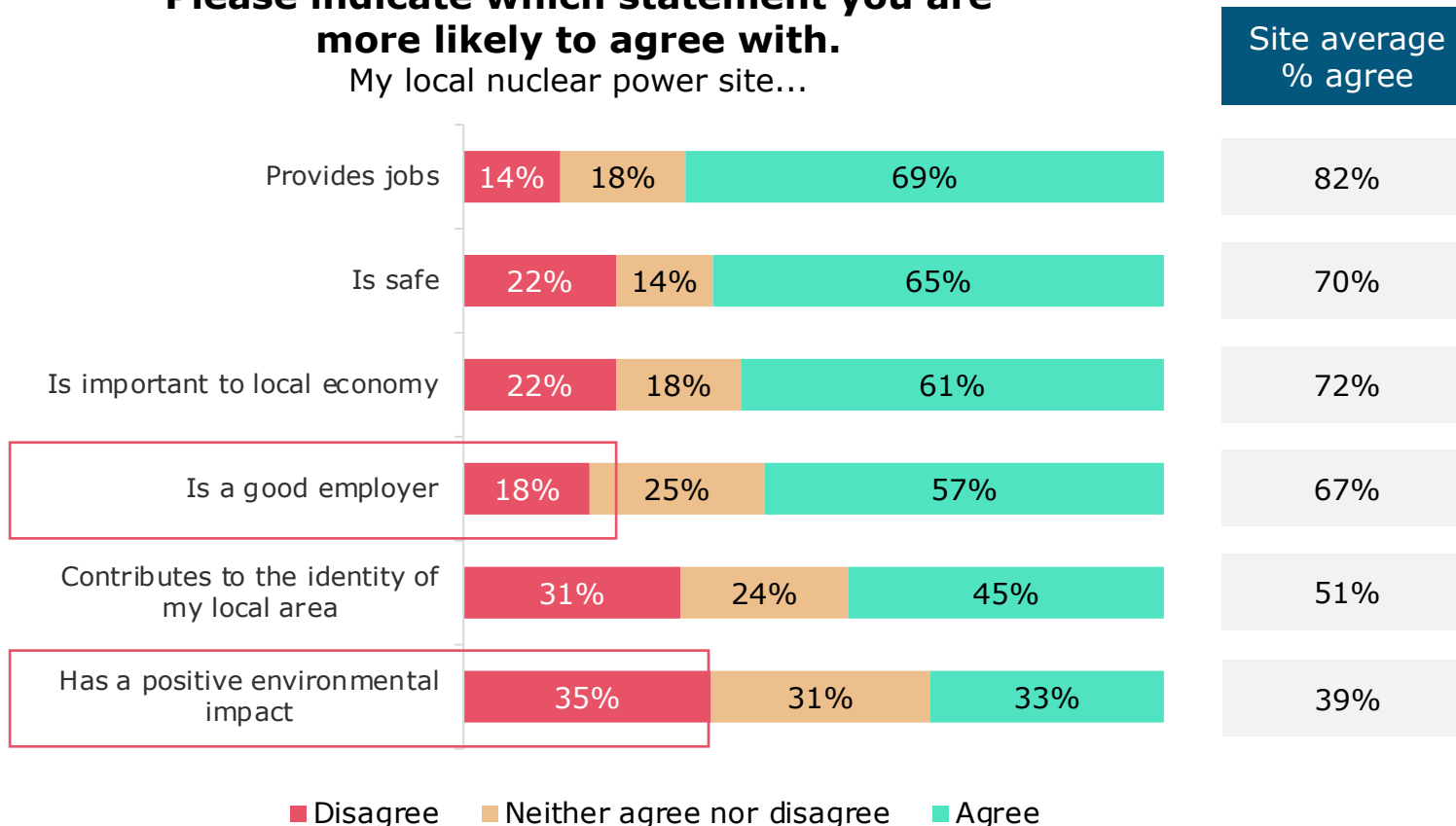
"I heard rumours that it might be started up again on a smaller scale."

Online Community, Trawsfynydd

Compared to other sites, Trawsfynydd's locals feel that the site has a less positive impact on their area

Please indicate which statement you are more likely to agree with.

My local nuclear power site...



In particular, significantly more **disagree** that the site is a **good employer** (18% vs. 4% average).

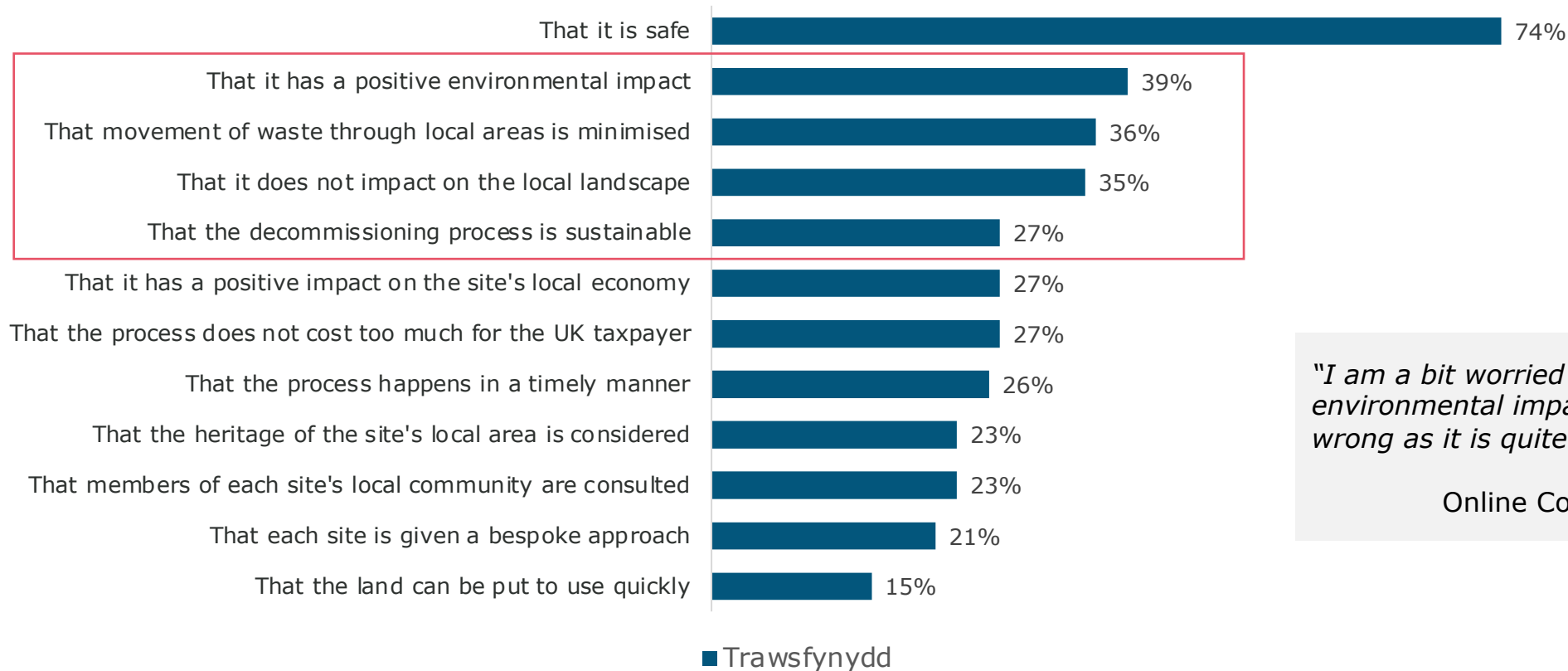
More also **disagree** that the site has a **positive environmental impact** (35% vs. 23% average), although this is not a statistically significant difference. Qualitatively, this tends to refer to the site 'getting in the way' of the natural scenery surrounding it.

"It has been closed for a long while and the building looks quite ugly, and we live in an area of outstanding natural beauty."

Trawsfynydd, 11-17

Beyond safety, the environmental impacts of decommissioning are important to those in Trawsfynydd

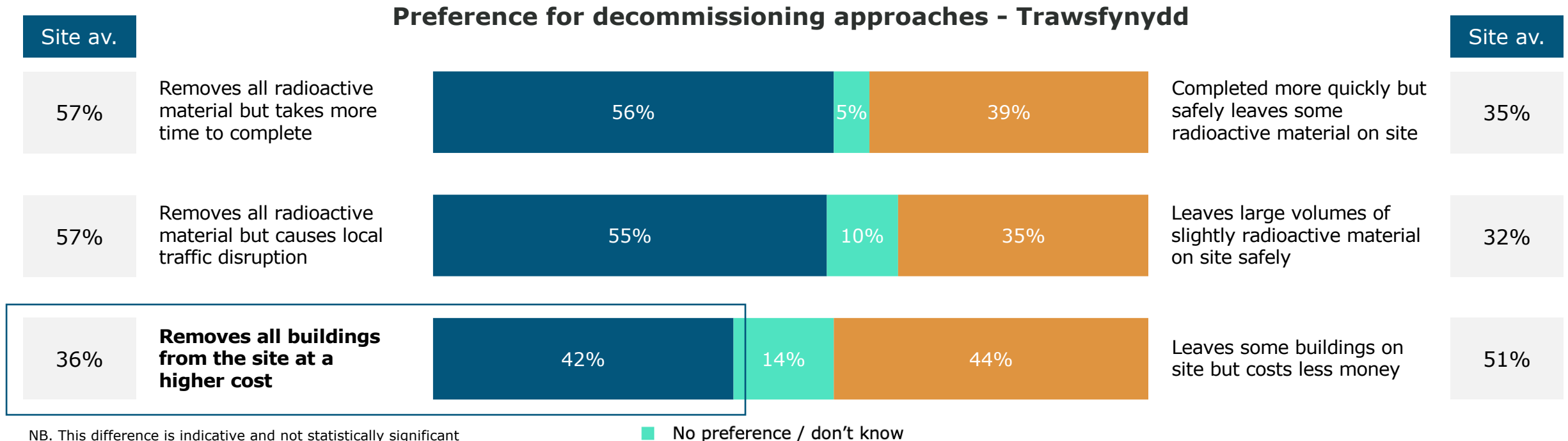
Decommissioning criteria selected as very important



"I am a bit worried about the environmental impact if something goes wrong as it is quite old and near to us."

Online Community, Trawsfynydd

Trawsfynydd residents lean towards removing all buildings during decommissioning, even at greater cost





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