



CONSULTATION WITH CPAS PATRONAGE CLERGY

Prayers of Love and Faith
March 2023



Programme

- Introductions
- Discussion and Feedback
- Results of the survey of CPAS Patronage Clergy
- Discussion and Feedback
- Values and Resources
- Pray



Discussion Question

- What issues do the Prayers of Love and Faith proposals cause for you in your ministry? How might they impact your ministry?

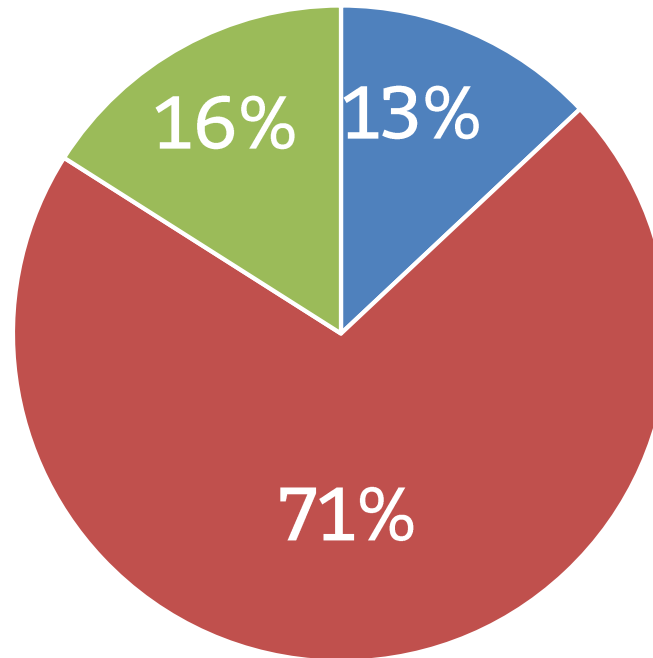
*Jot down comments
on the whiteboard*





Survey

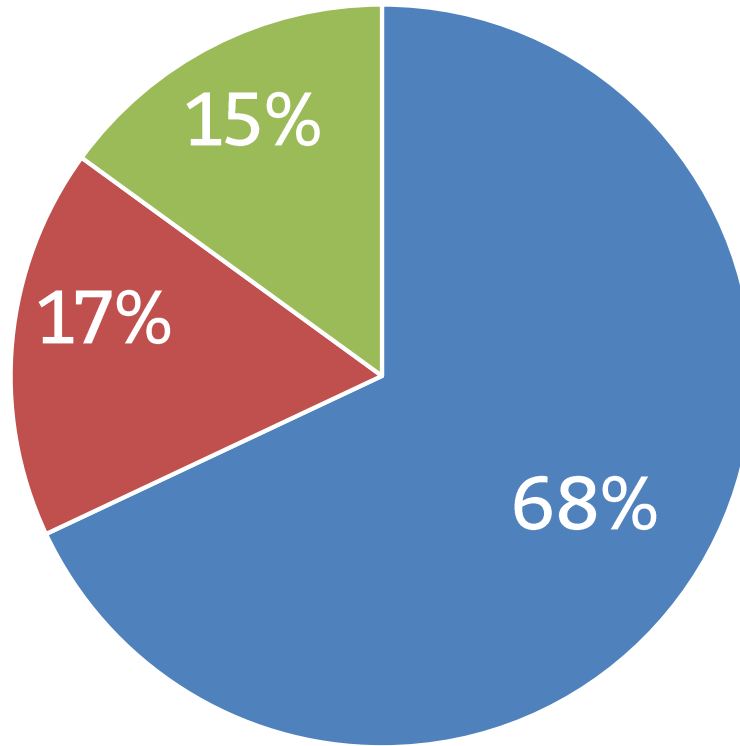
To what extent do the General Synod's commendation of prayers for God's blessing on same-sex couples reflect your thoughts?



■ They are about right = 13% ■ They go too far = 71% ■ They don't go far enough = 16%



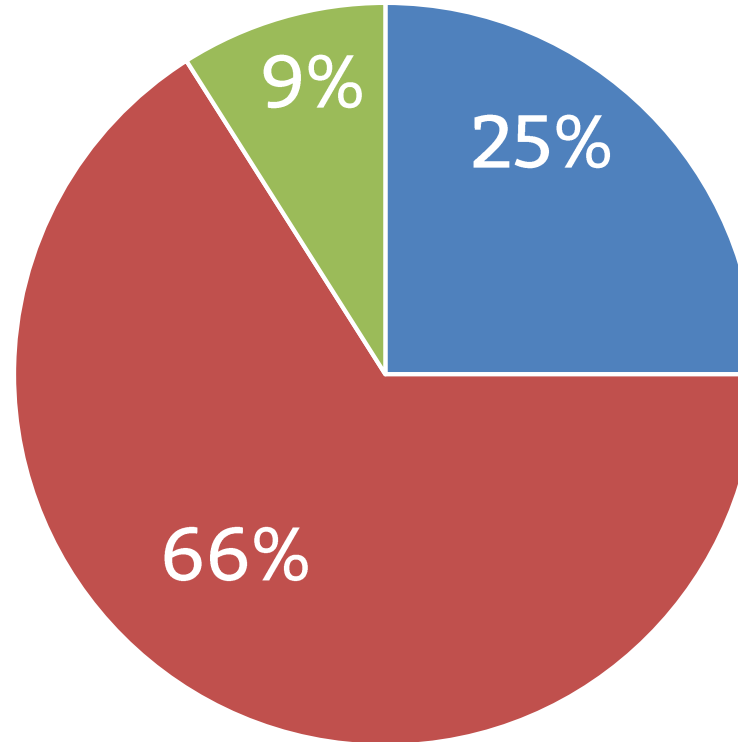
Would you feel comfortable using the prayers in their current form?



■ No = 68% ■ Yes = 17% ■ Some of them = 15%



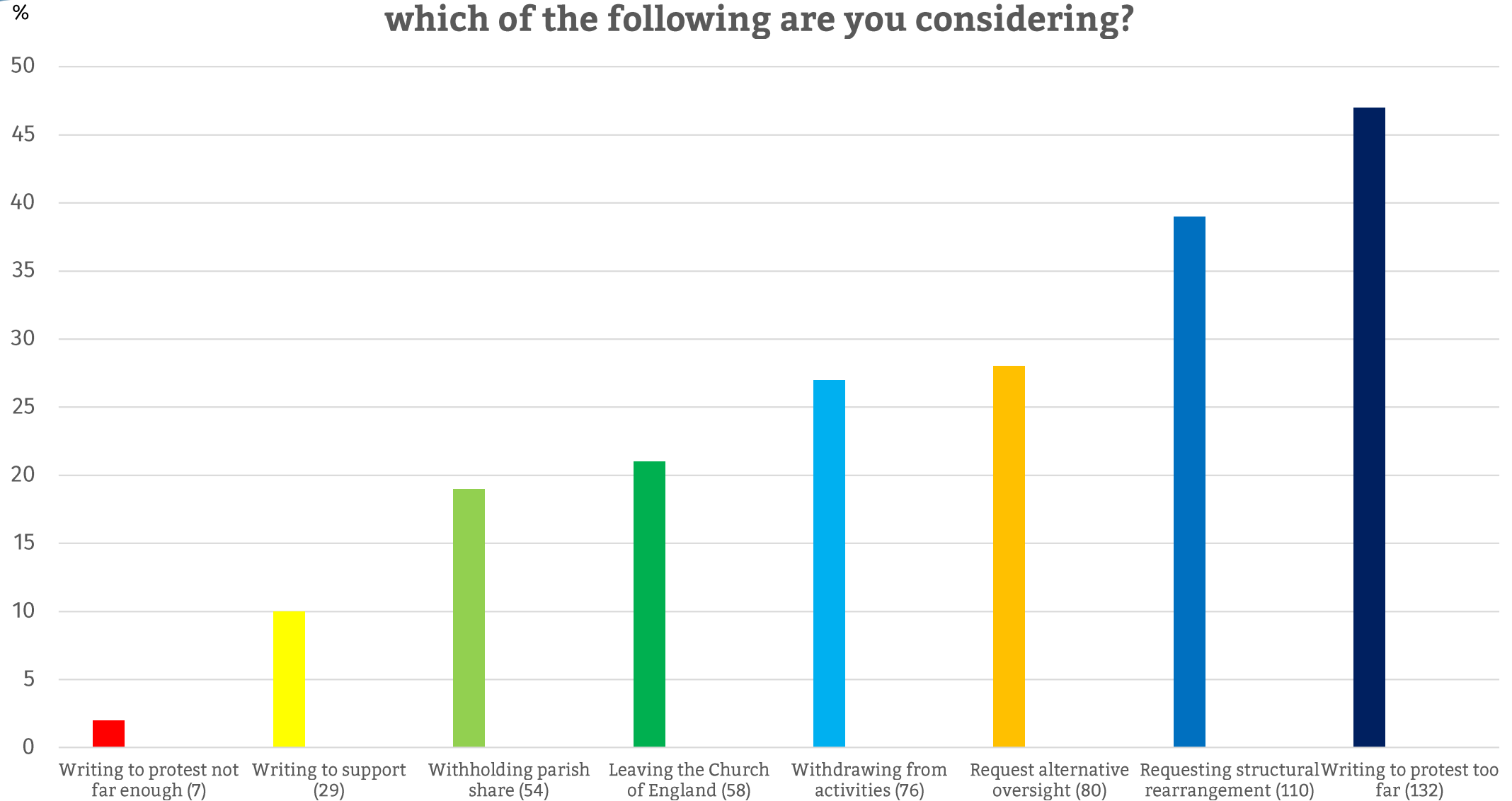
**Do you think the prayers are indicative of a departure
from the doctrine of the Church of England?**



■ No = 25% ■ Yes = 66% ■ Some of them = 9%

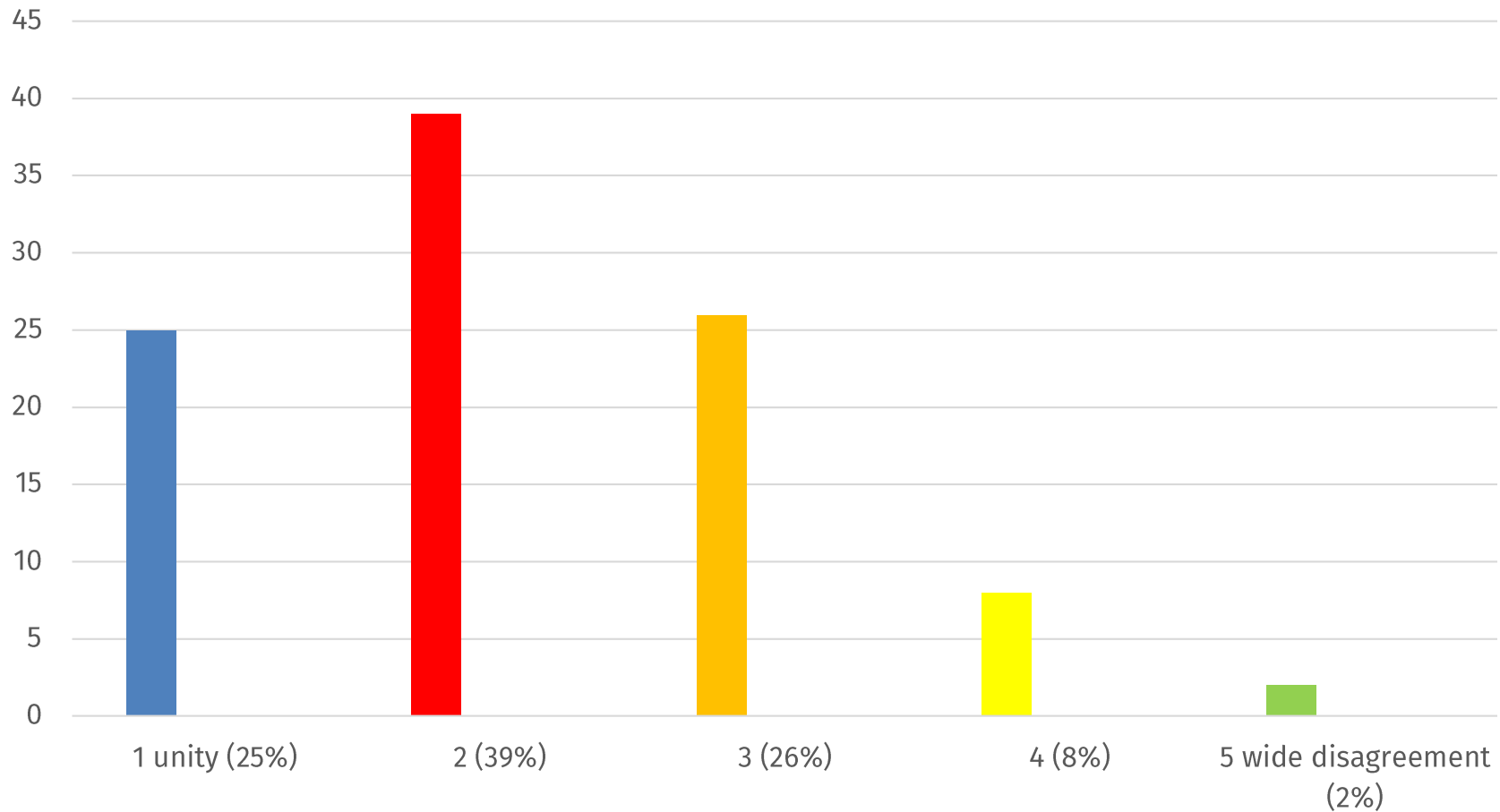


If you have thought through your churches' responses to the Prayers, which of the following are you considering?



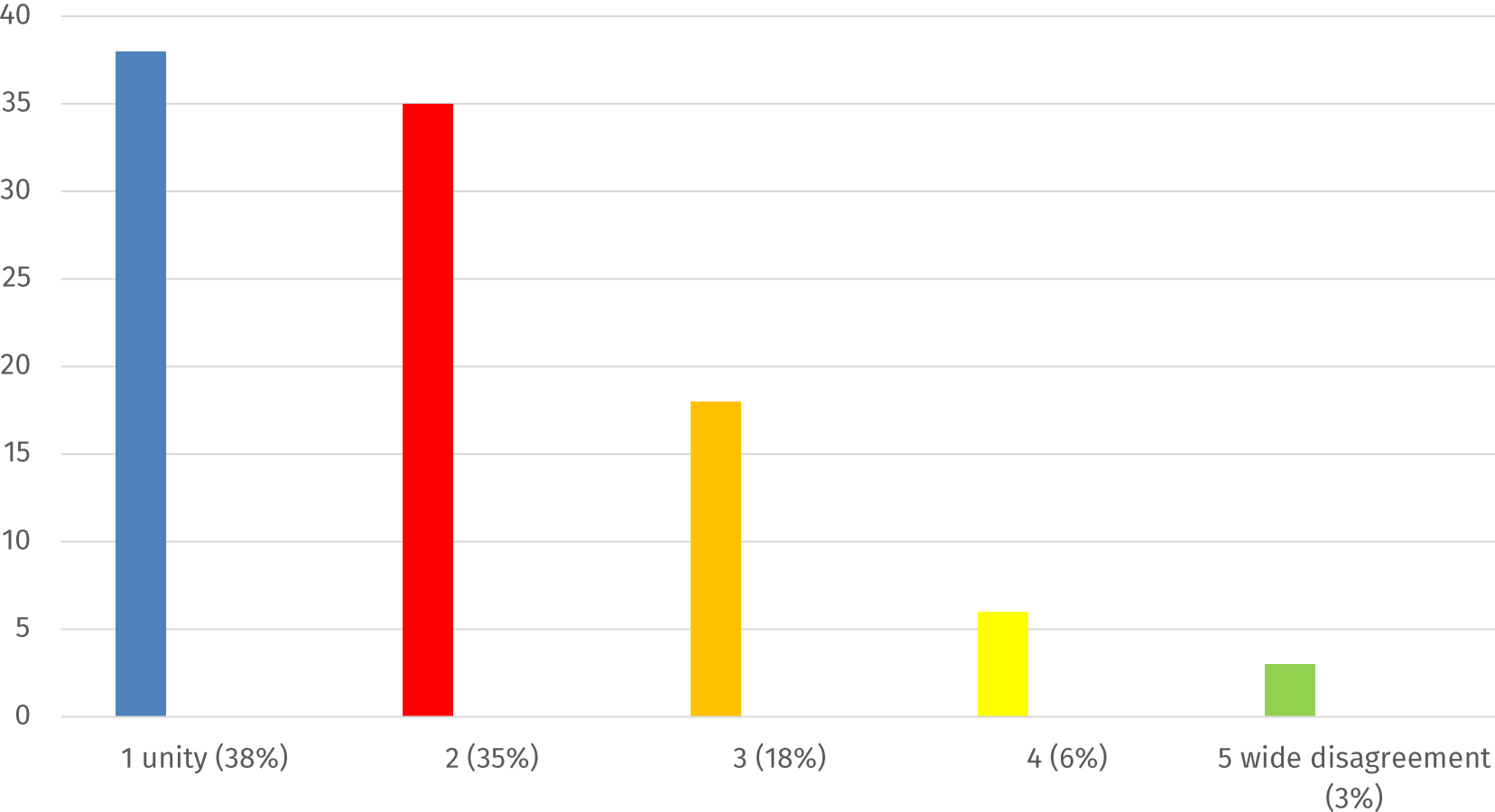


To what extent do you think that the members of your PCC/s agree with you and with each other over these issues?



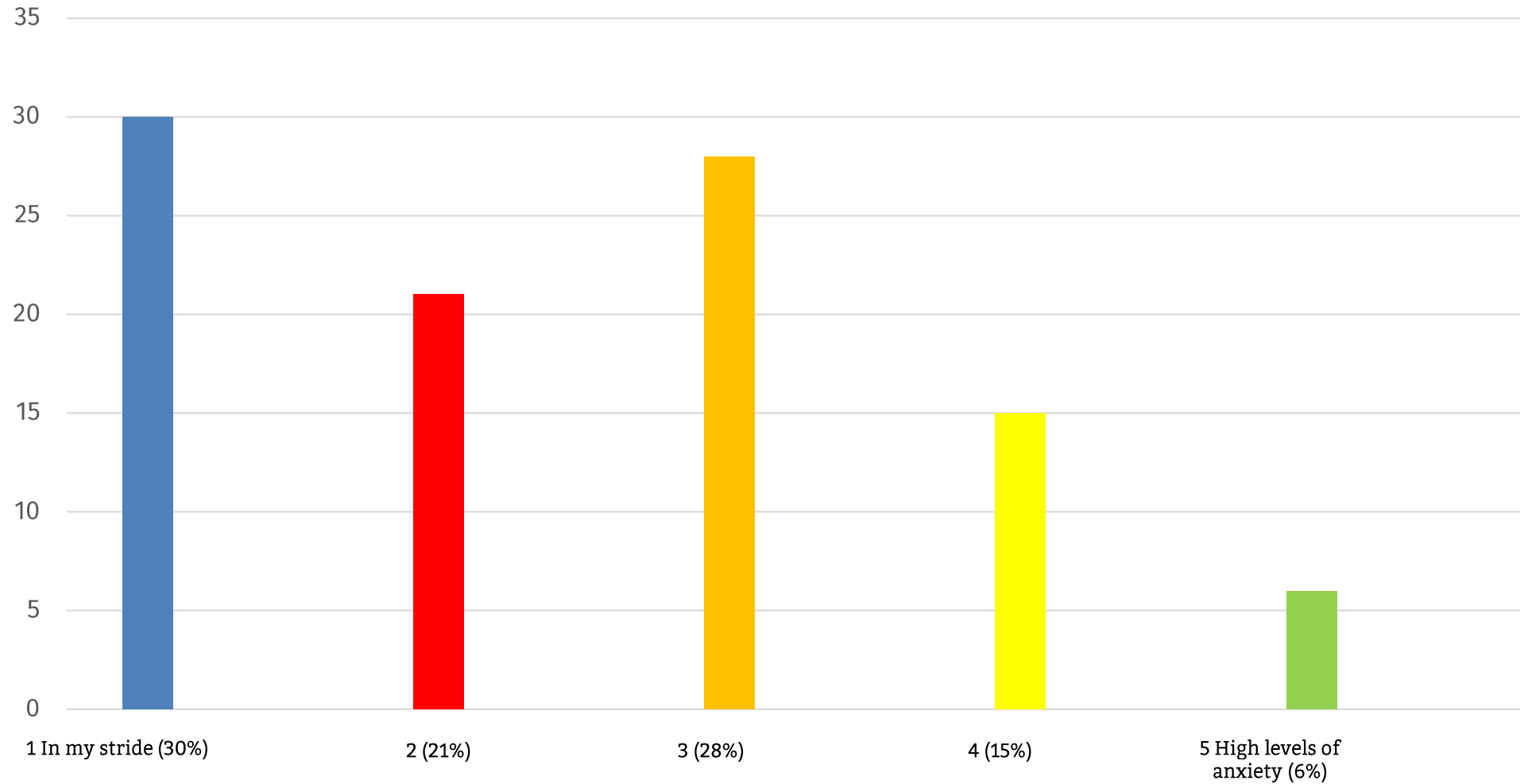


**To what extent do you think that your benefice's
colleagues and officers agree with you over these
issues?**





How are you coping with those levels of agreement or disagreement?



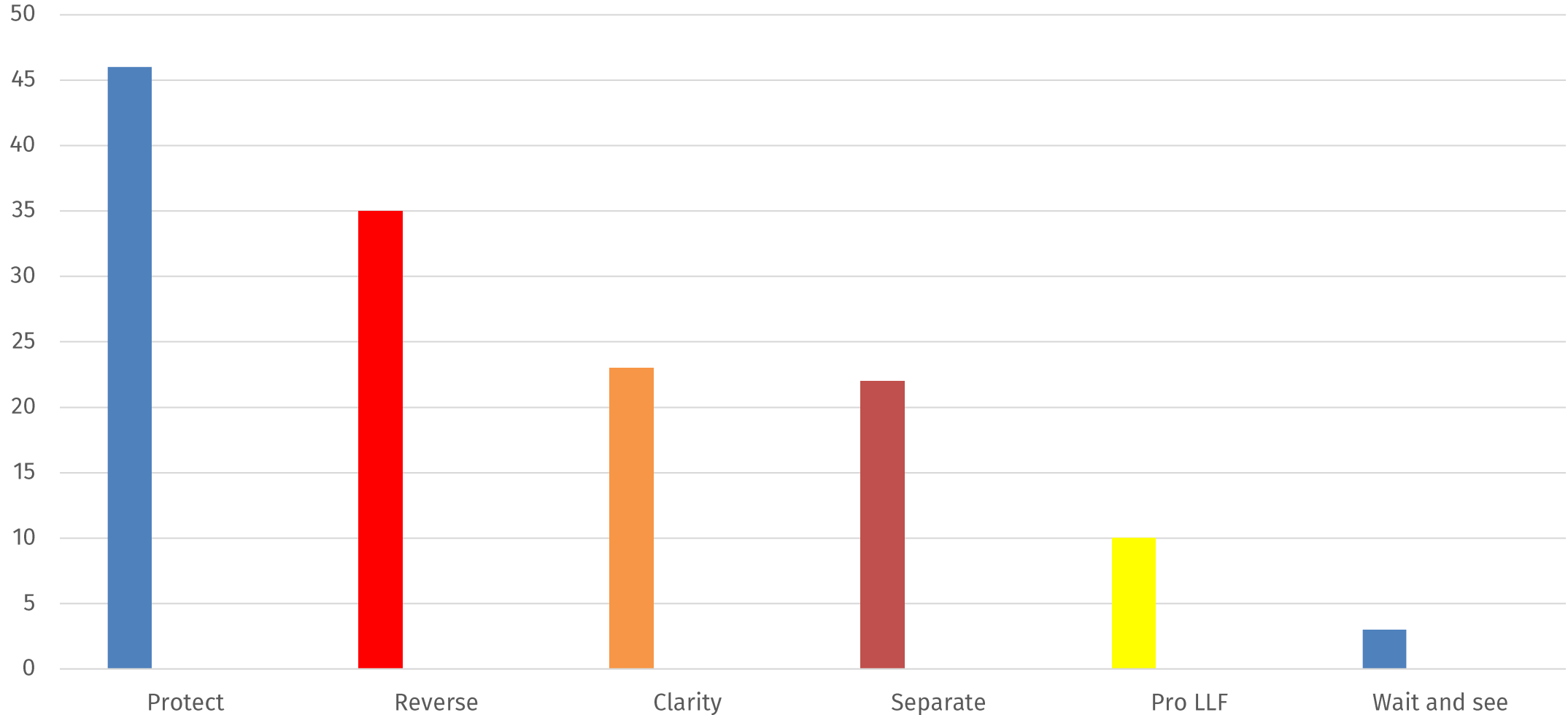


What are you currently accessing in order to help your own thinking about these issues?

- CEEC / Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship = 181
- LLF Hub = 98
- New Wine = 80
- Diocesan resources = 74
- Ian Paul's blog *Psephizo* = 42
- Anglican Futures = 36
- Inclusive Church website = 20
- EDGE Facebook = 15
- Church Society = 15
- Renew = 7
- Living Out = 5

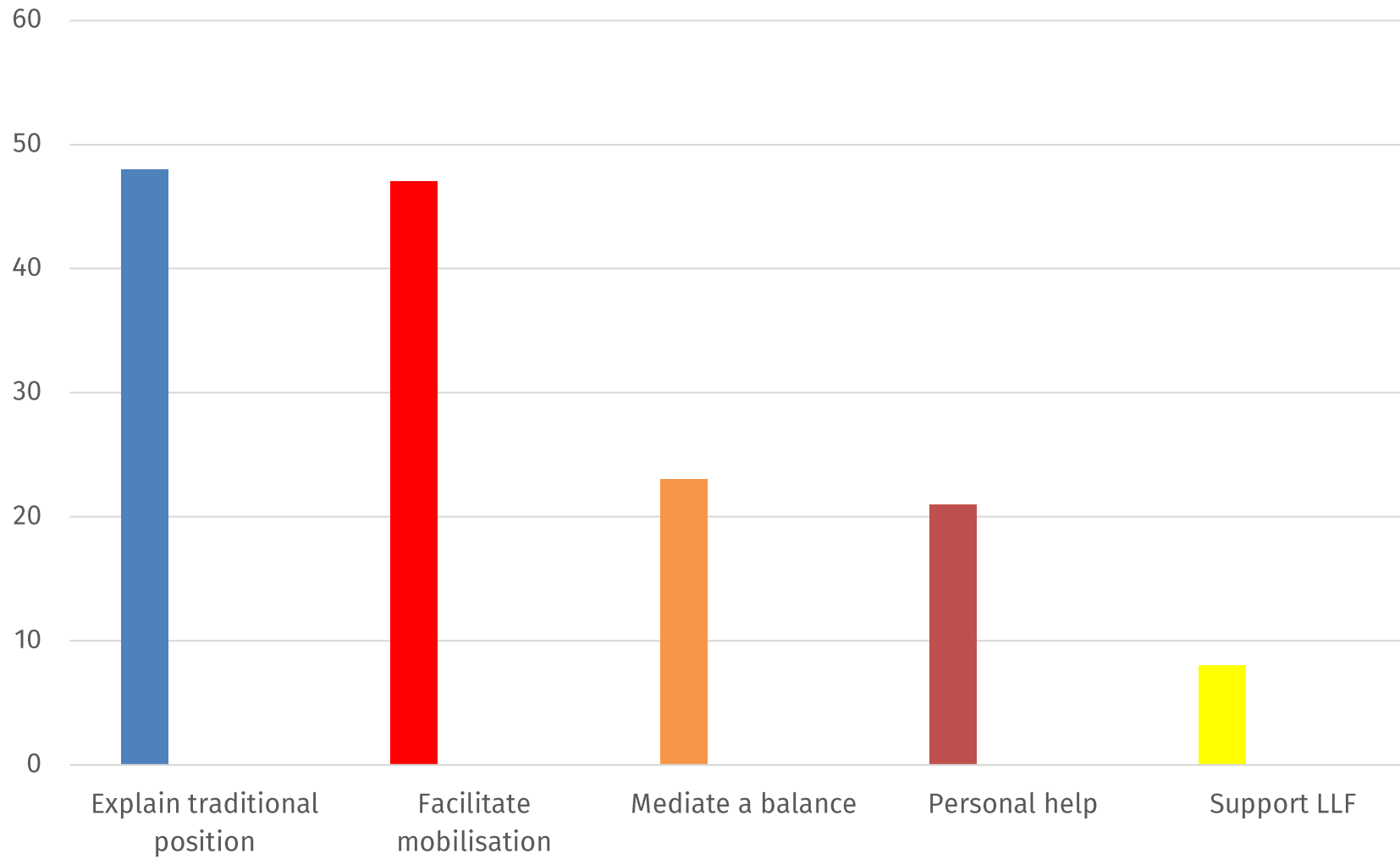


What needs to be addressed within the Pastoral Guidance to make you confident in ministry? (%)





How can CPAS help you? (%)





Any Questions?





Discussion Questions

- This is what we've heard in the survey:
 - Is there something we've not heard yet?
 - What do you want to reinforce?
- What do you need from the Pastoral Guidance to minister with confidence?

Write comments on the Padlet board

<https://padlet.com/jlawrence65/cpas-incumbents-w4fyl1yqxn timer 34xwx> (Link in the chat.)





Values

- Values to navigate these uncertain waters
 - treat each other honourably
 - stay prayerful
 - provide reasons for the views that you hold and why others feel differently
 - Keep your best energies for the basics of ministry
 - Read more widely than your own echo chamber



Resources

- Resources – Use **Padlet** again to capture resource suggestions?
 - Some think best in conversation – chapter, DEF, Peer cells
 - Some think best in text – blogs, supporting documents
 - Some need video resources – LLF hub etc.
 - Some need debate to sharpen their opinions
 - Some need challenge to soften them



Pray and Close

- Feedback forms