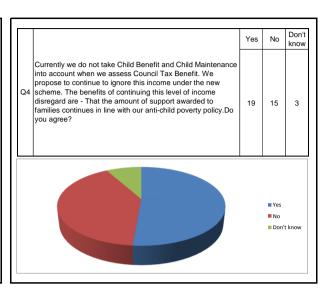
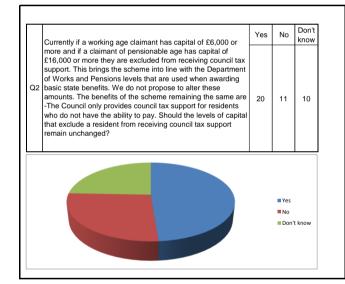
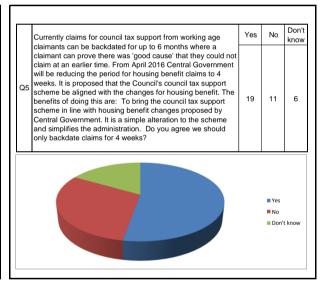
Appendix 1 Thurrock Council - Local Council Tax Scheme

	Under the current local council tax scheme, people of working age, no longer have all of their council tax paid by council tax	Yes	No	Don't know
Q1	support but will have to pay some themselves. Working age applicants who receive council tax support will get a maximum of 75% assistance towards their council tax bill (apart from pensioners who can get assistance towards up to 100% of their bill). For example, if someone receives the maximum assistance of 75% in council tax benefit they will need to pay 25% of their council tax. There is no proposal to change this. The benefits of the scheme remaining the same are - That the councils collection rate of council tax billed will remain good.Do you agree with the current maximum award of 75%?	24	12	10
			■Yes ■No ■ Don	't know







		Yes	No	Don's
Q3	It is proposed that people continue to be given greater incentives to work by not including some of their wages when calculating council tax support? We currently allow £25 of their wages to be disregarded if the person is working when calculating the amount of local council tax support they should receive. The benefits of continuing this level of income disregard are -That by disregarding some of the income received, more council tax support is provided as well as providing an incentive for residents to work. Do you agree?	22	9	6
			■Yes ■No ■Don'	t know

