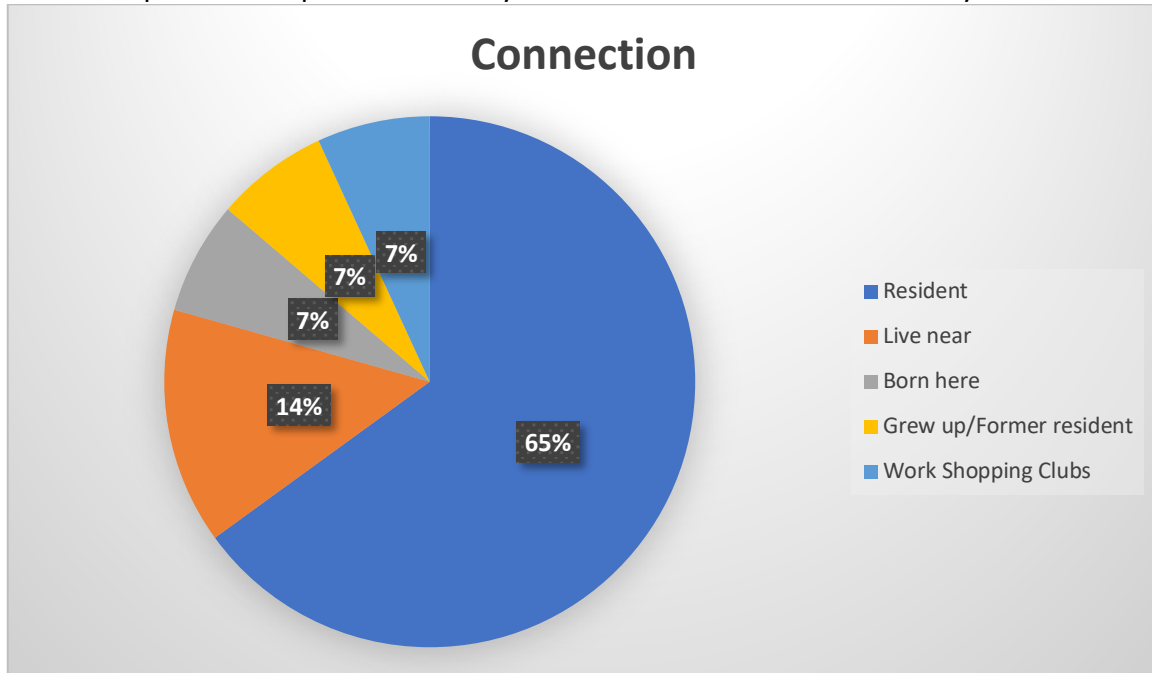


## Survey Monkey on Drake August 2020

### Analysis of Questions and Responses:

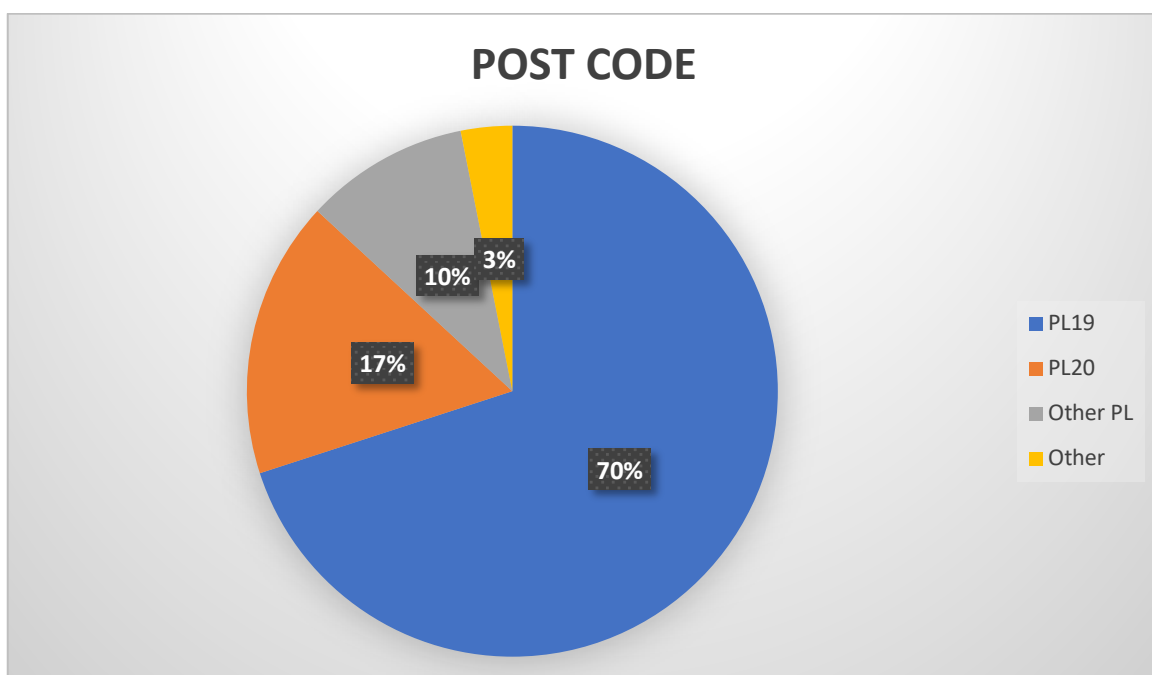
#### Q 1. What is your connection to Tavistock?

79% of respondents reported that they live in Tavistock or the area nearby.



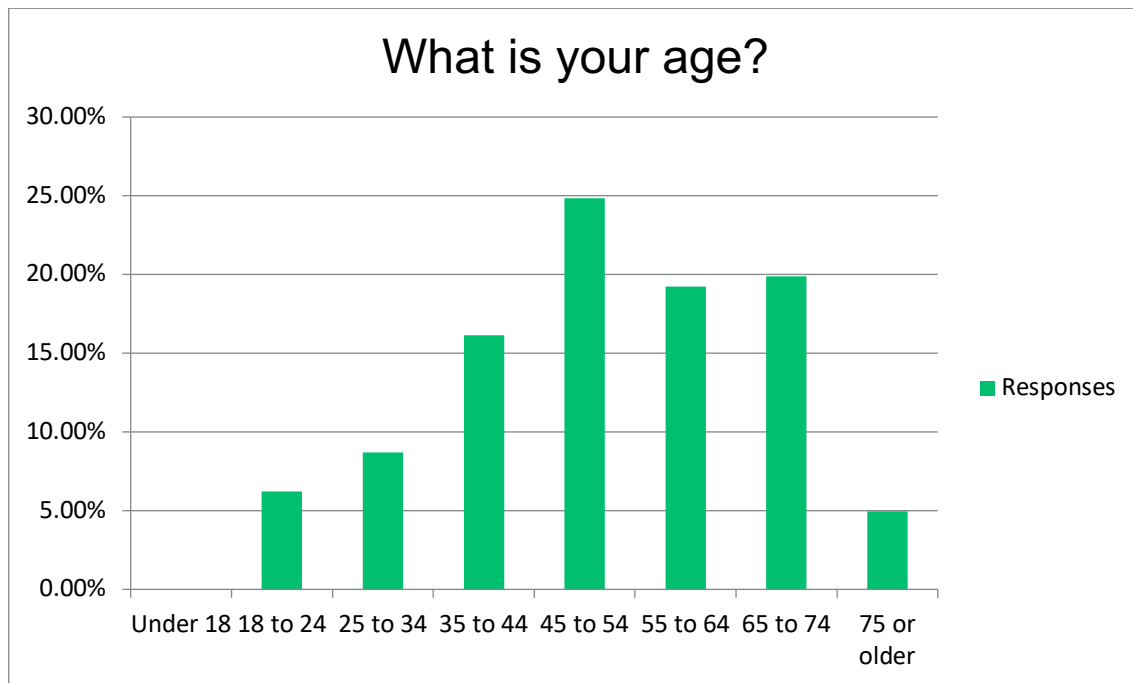
#### Q 2. What is your Postcode?

87% of respondents reported they lived in either a PL19 or PL20 postcode.



### Q 3. What is your age?

The survey collected a wide age range of respondents. The largest was 25% of respondents between the age of 45 and 54.





**Q5. Would you like to know more about Sir Francis Drake and his involvement in the slave trade.**

Some respondents only knew about the slave trade aspect of Drake’s life because of recent publicity and for some of these this was all they knew about him.

Question 5 is quite difficult to analyse as the answer no, judging from the comments, covers the following:

- No I am not interested
- No I know enough
- No this is not the right question as it was such a minor aspect
- No people should find out for themselves.

Just over 40% replied no or something similar.

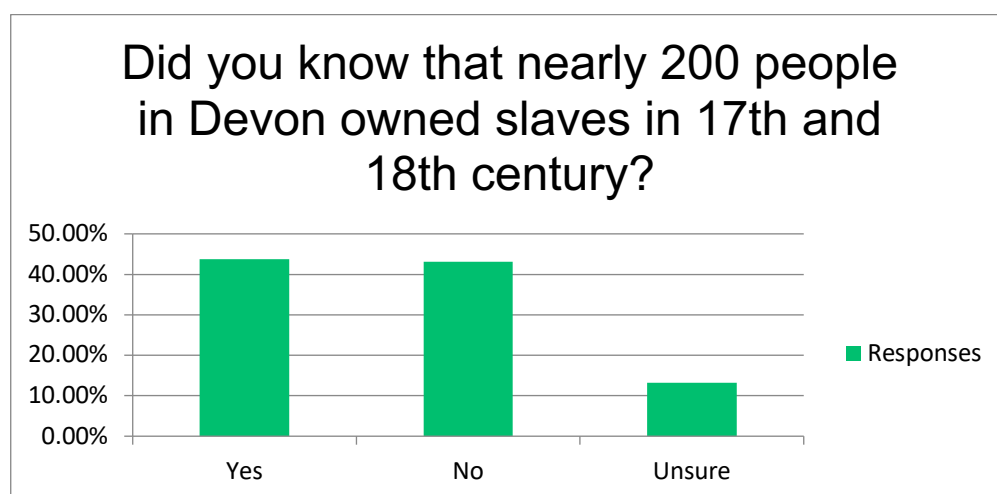
55% answered “Yes” with a typical response illustrated below.

*‘Most definitely a full picture is welcomed’.*

However, 25% simply said yes and a further 30% plus said yes but because more information should be available about all of his life not just the slave trade in order to put the slave aspect in context. There is probably some element of convergence about those who felt they knew enough and those who want others to know more about the detail.

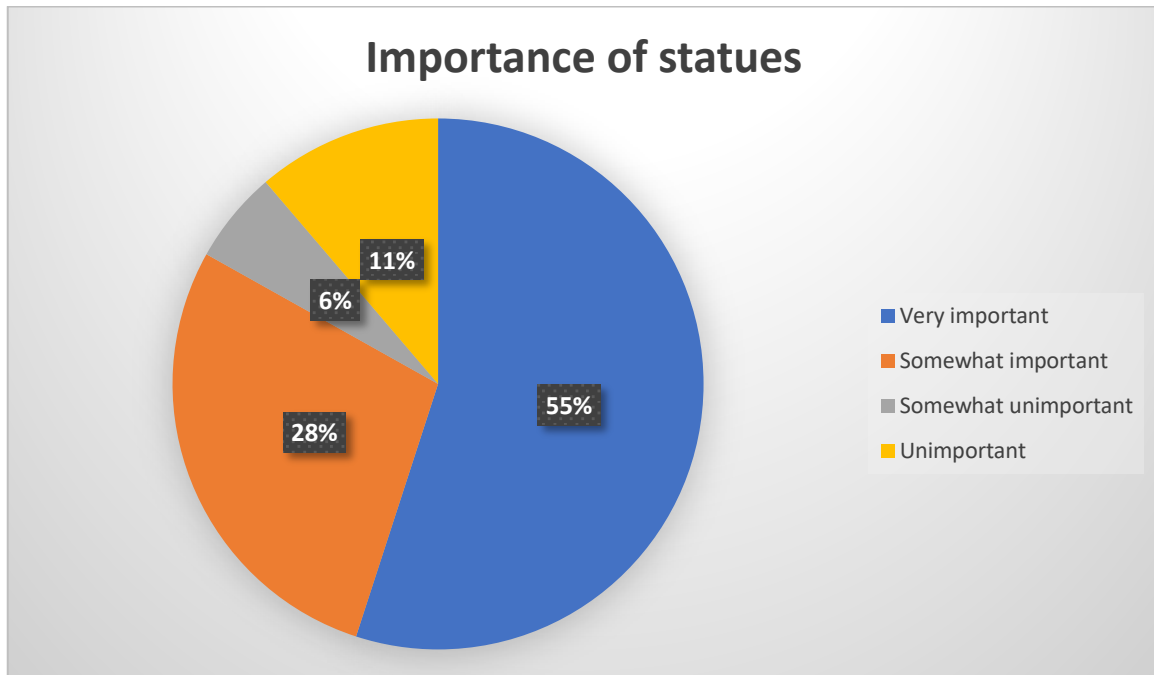
**Q 6. Did you know that nearly 200 people in Devon owned slaves in 17th and 18th century?**

Nearly evenly split between those who knew that slaves were widely owned by individuals in Devon in the past and those who didn’t. The answers to this question indicate that history of the slave trade in relation to Devon is not well-known.

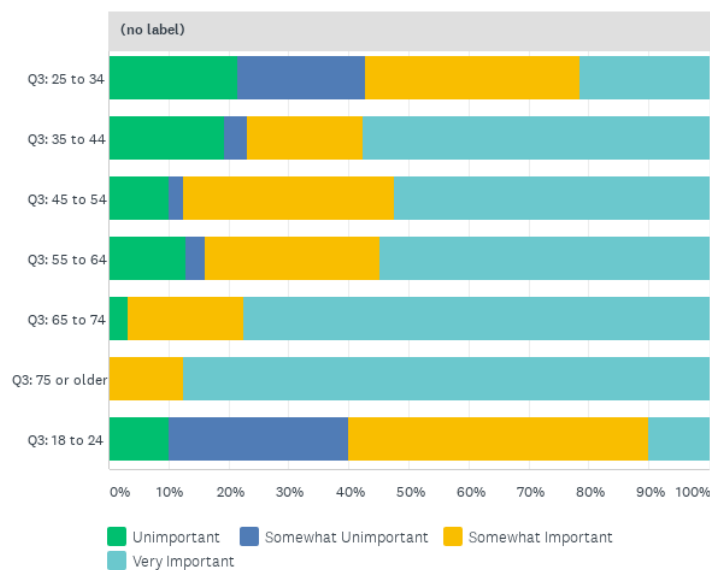


**Q 7. How important do you feel it is that towns such as Tavistock have statues to commemorate famous figures from the past?**

83% of respondents think statues commemorating famous figures from the past are important. When broken down by age, there was a slight correlation between age and relative importance.

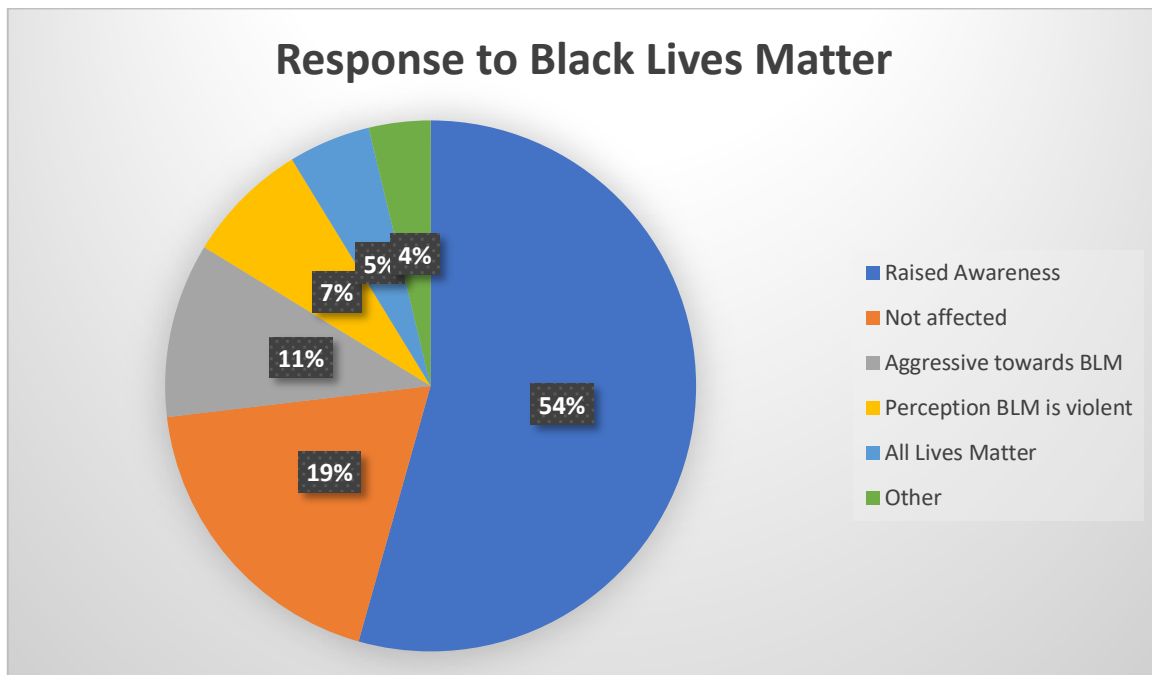


**Q7 How important do you feel it is that towns such as Tavistock have statues to commemorate famous figures from the past?**



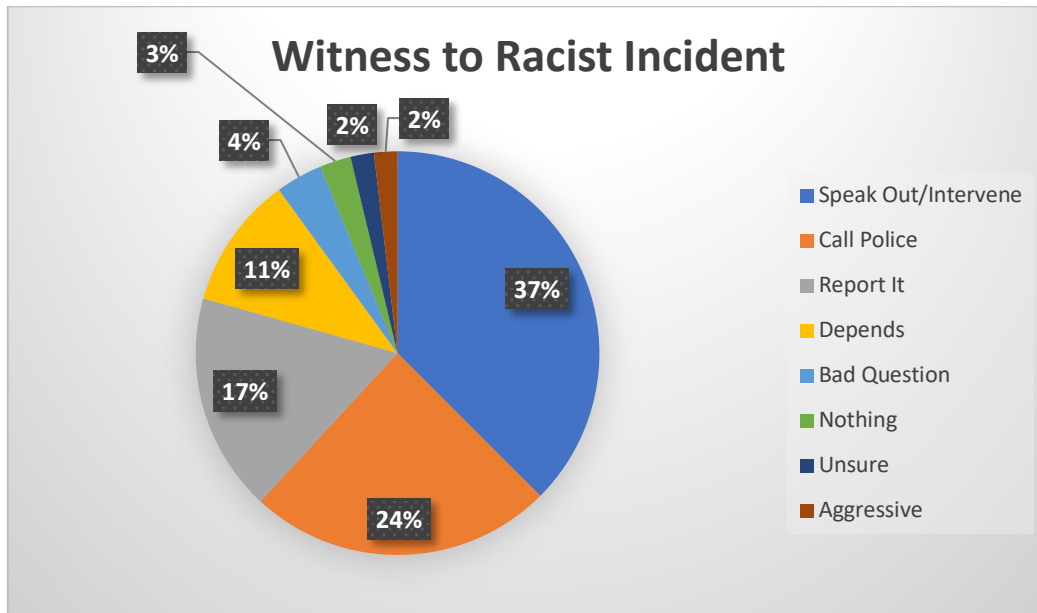
### Q 8. How have recent events around Black Lives Matter affected you?

54% of respondents (80) said that the movement had made them think a bit more about issues of race, identity and otherness. Typical comments included phrases like “Made me much more aware, made me think.” This question received the most negative responses, ranging from well-meaning, but atonal calls for “All Lives Matter” to perceptions of Black Lives Matter causing violence to aggressive statements calling Black Lives Matter a terrorist organisation.



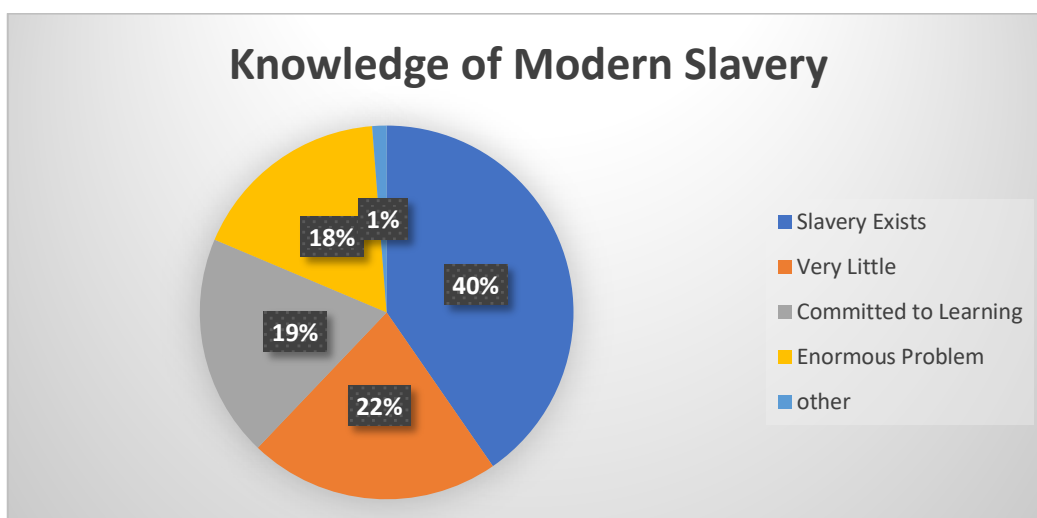
### Q 9. What would you do if you witnessed a racist incident?

78% of respondents said they would intervene in some way if they witnessed a racist incident, this included a hierarchy of speaking out, reporting, or calling police. Quite a few respondents pointed out that their action would depend on the context of the situation and some pointed out that without the context the question was not very meaningful.



### Q 10. What do you know about modern day slavery?

Breaking down responses in to this question was relatively easy as many respondents answered "Slavery exists" or "Very little". 19% of respondents included detailed answers that showed well-informed understanding of the issue of modern slavery or a commitment to learn more. Most people saw this as a real problem, however, 22% of respondents said they knew very little about the issue.



**Q 11. What else would you like to tell us in relation to this project?**

This question had the least responses of the questions in the survey (134), but many of those who did answer were fully engaged with the subject and seemed keen to use this space to offer their solution to the question “Should the statue of Sir Francis Drake be removed?”

58% (78) included a form of “keep the statue” the majority of which added that they thought more information and context was key, while 8% (12) said the statue should be removed or replaced with another. Of the remaining comments, the most common were “no comment” (11), that the council was overreacting (9), a request to focus on diversity education (9), or a positive comment about the survey itself (6).



The word cloud above is pulled from the responses and the relative size of the words indicate how many times they were repeated in the responses.