

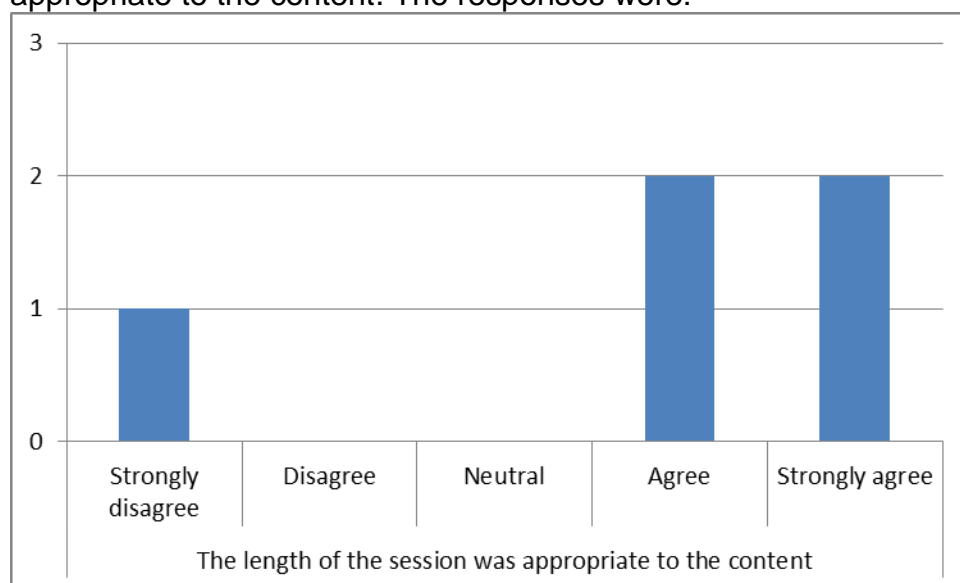
### Member Training Session Evaluation Feedback

The training session evaluation forms have been introduced following the decision to adopt them at the last Member Development Advisory Group meeting. The responses from the three sessions held at which they have been handed out have been collated and are set out below for consideration.

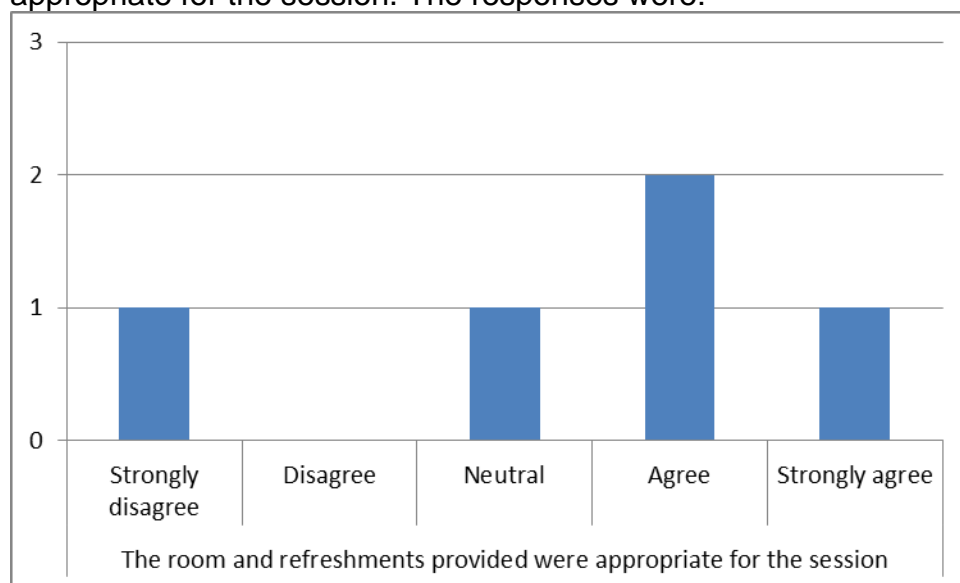
#### ***Understanding the Capital Budget – 19 January 2016***

This session was attended by 13 councillors and 5 feedback forms were received.

The councillors were asked their thoughts on the arrangements for the training session. First of all they were asked if they felt the length of the session was appropriate to the content. The responses were:

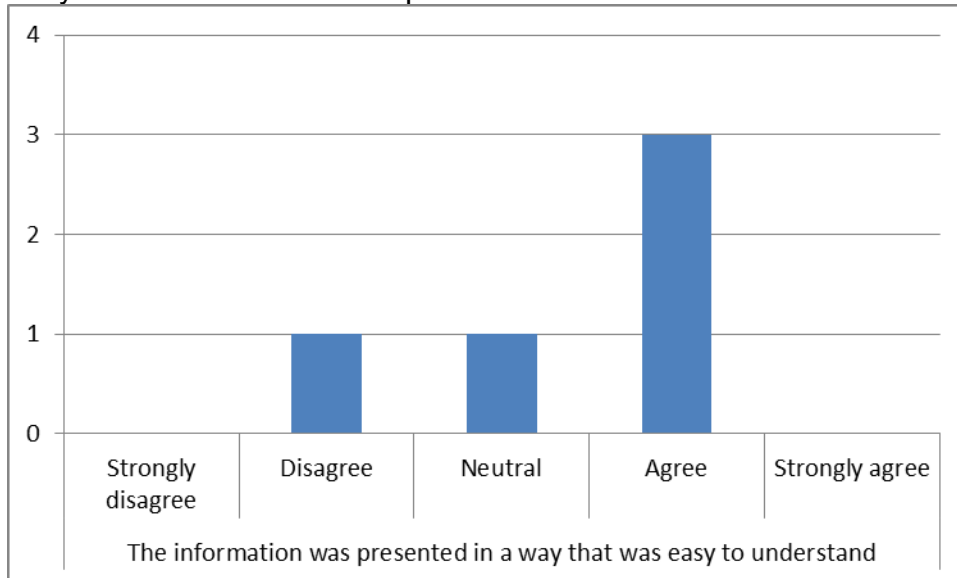


They were then asked if they felt the room and refreshments provided were appropriate for the session. The responses were:

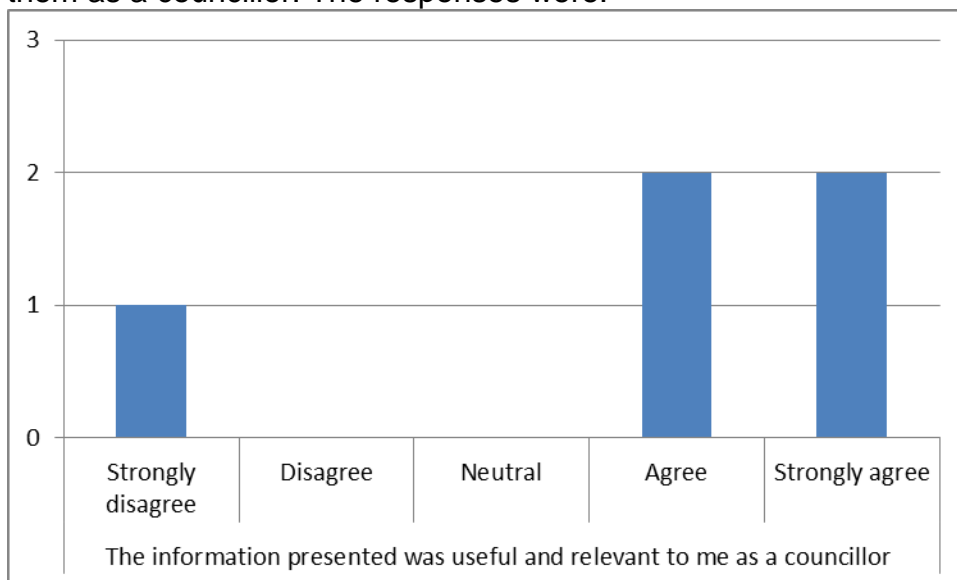


The councillors were then asked their thoughts on the content of the training session itself. They were first asked if the information had been presented in a way that was

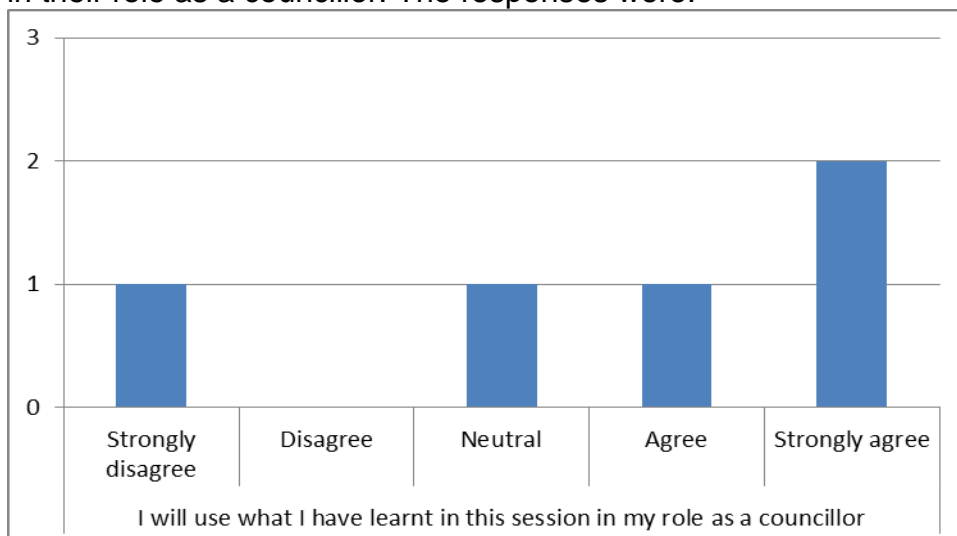
easy to understand. The responses were:



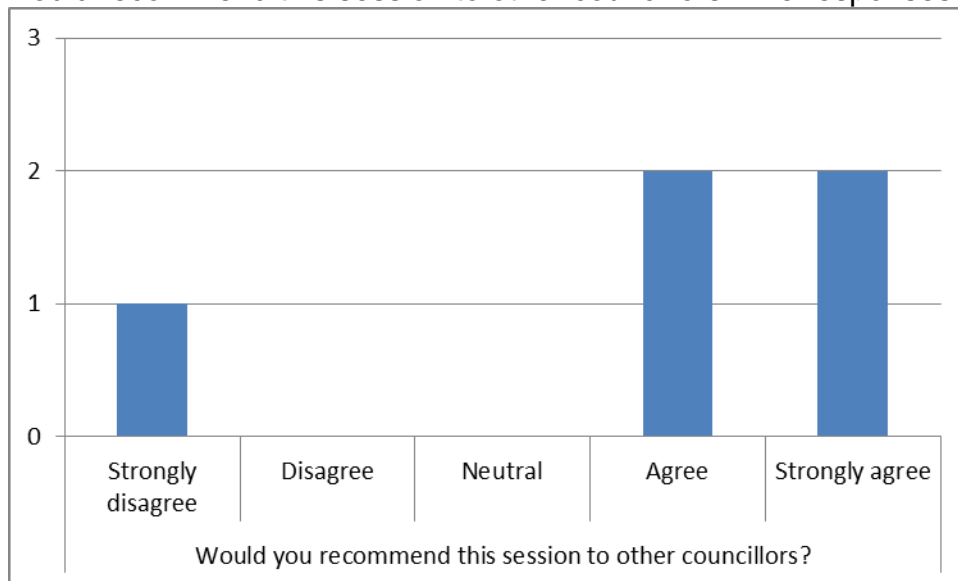
They were then asked if the information presented was useful and will be relevant to them as a councillor. The responses were:



The councillors were then asked if they will use what they have learnt in this session in their role as a councillor. The responses were:



Finally, the councillors were asked to rate the session overall in terms of if they would recommend this session to other councillors. The responses were:



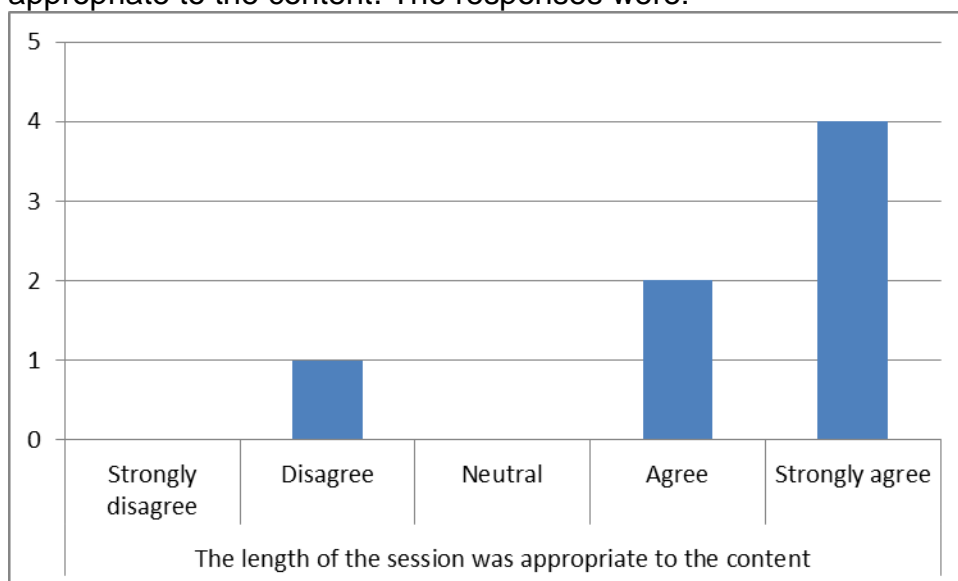
The councillors were also offered the opportunity to provide some additional comments on any thoughts they had on how the training offer could be improved. Their responses were as follows:

- It needs a pre-development session. It is above the heads of some. Could this be arranged?
- Put it in the context of the actual budget. Can we have a training session on the capital and revenue budgets? Preferably a daytime session.
- Not enough tea bags and water cups due to people not saying they were attending.
- It would help to look at the 2015/16 Capital Budget alongside the 2015/16 Revenue Budget.

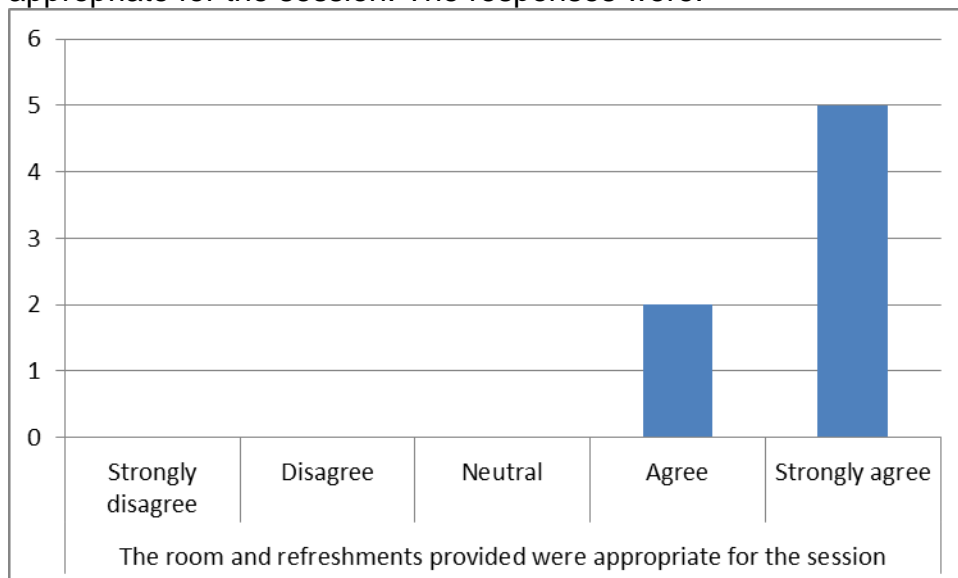
### ***Chairing Skills – 4 February 2016***

This session was attended by 2 Borough Councillors and 5 Parish Councillors and feedback forms were received from all of them. Unfortunately, one respondent only completed one side of the two-sided feedback form which explains the discrepancy in the figures below.

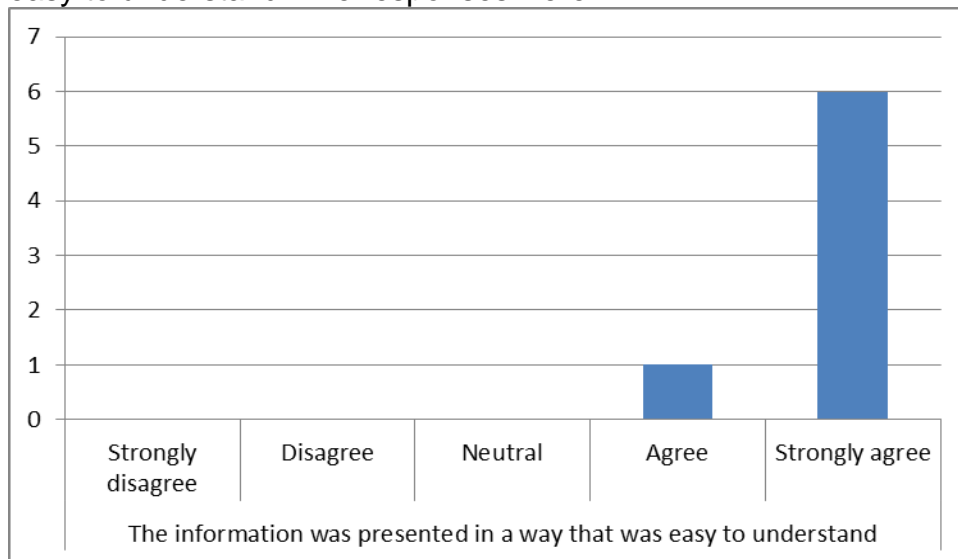
The councillors were asked their thoughts on the arrangements for the training session. First of all they were asked if they felt the length of the session was appropriate to the content. The responses were:



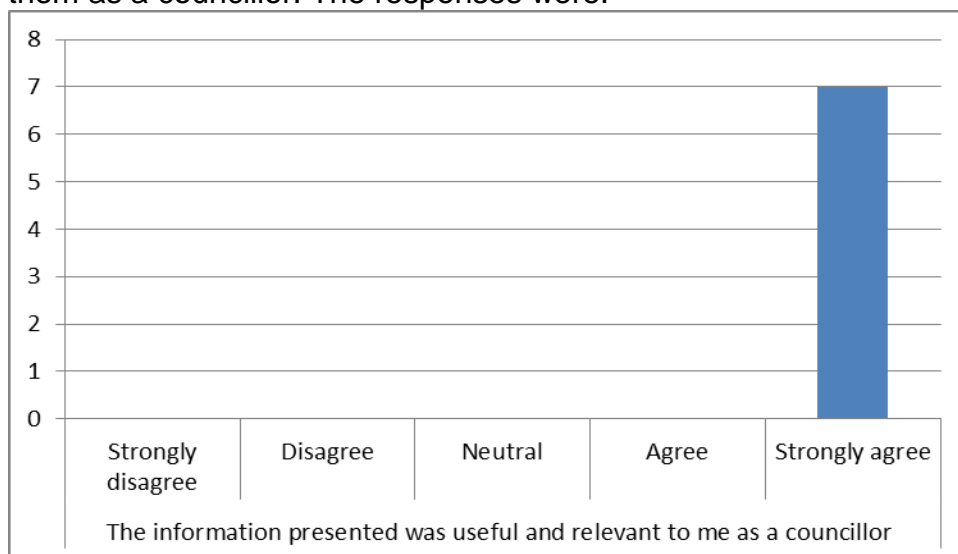
They were then asked if they felt the room and refreshments provided were appropriate for the session. The responses were:



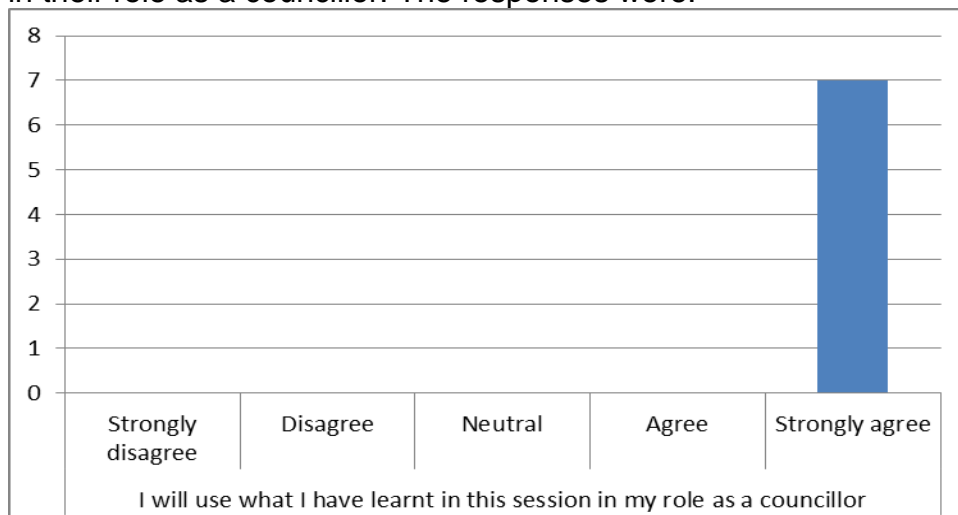
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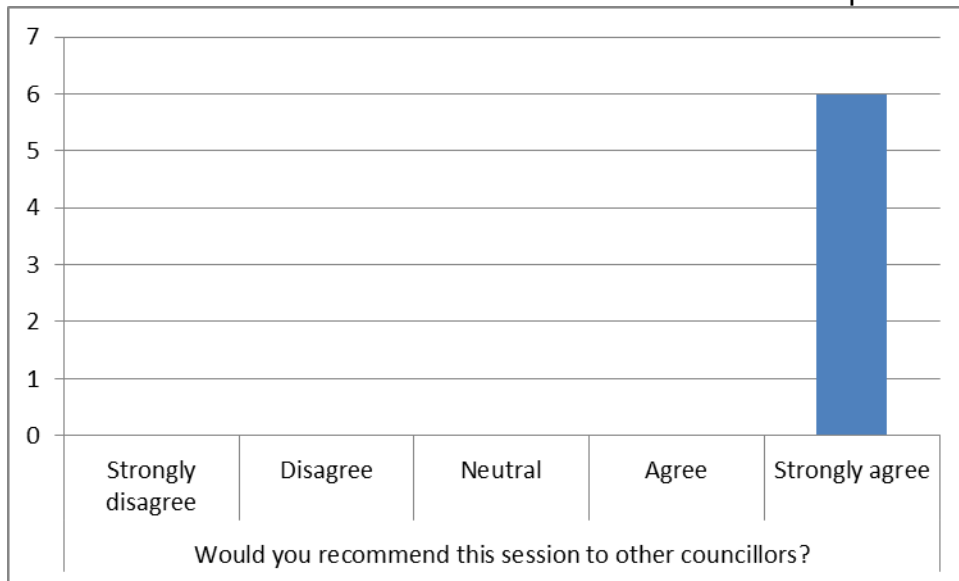
They were then asked if the information presented was useful and will be relevant to them as a councillor. The responses were:



The councillors were then asked if they will use what they have learnt in this session in their role as a councillor. The responses were:



Finally, the councillors were asked to rate the session overall in terms of if they would recommend this session to other councillors. The responses were:



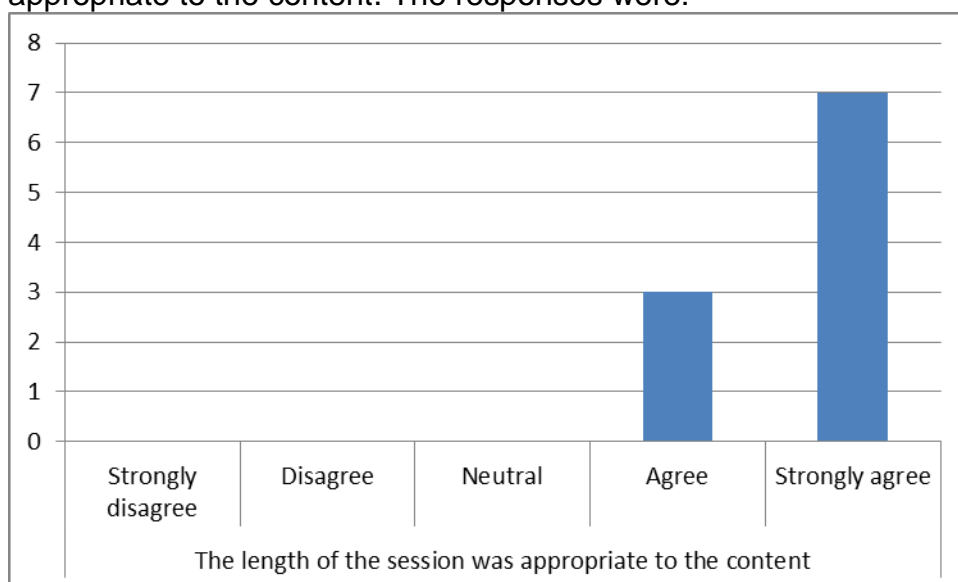
The councillors were also offered the opportunity to provide some additional comments on any thoughts they had on how the training offer could be improved. The one response received was as follows:

- Really good. I'm going to take what I've learned and apply it at next meeting. Would come back to this session again.

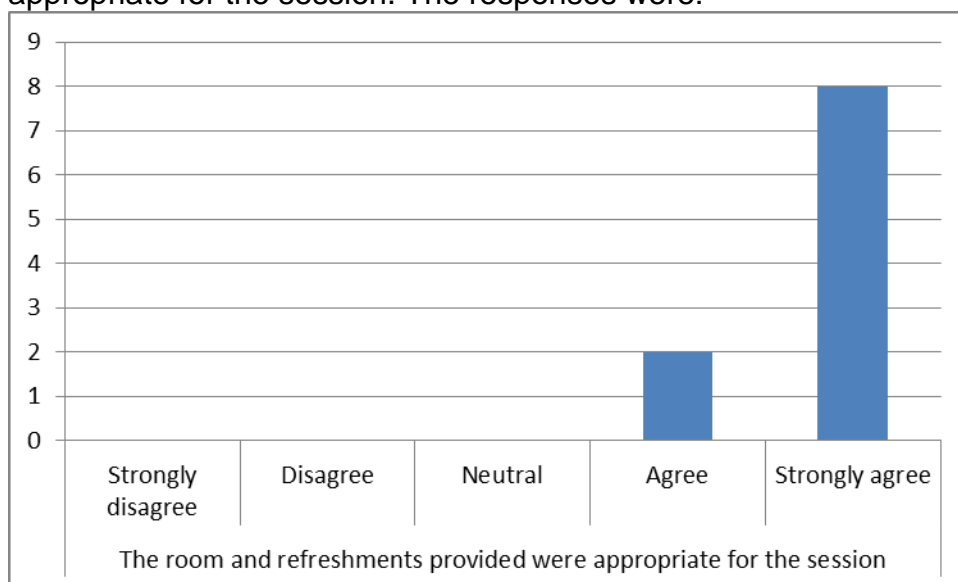
### ***Child Protection and Children Looked After – 8 February 2016***

This session was attended by 14 councillors and feedback forms were received from 10 of them. Unfortunately, one respondent only completed one side of the two-sided feedback form which explains the discrepancy in the figures below.

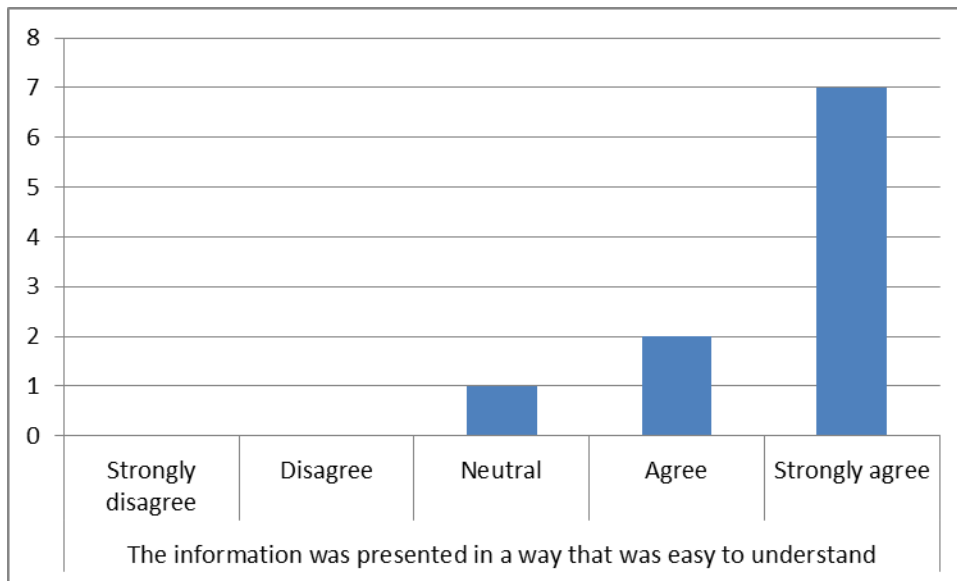
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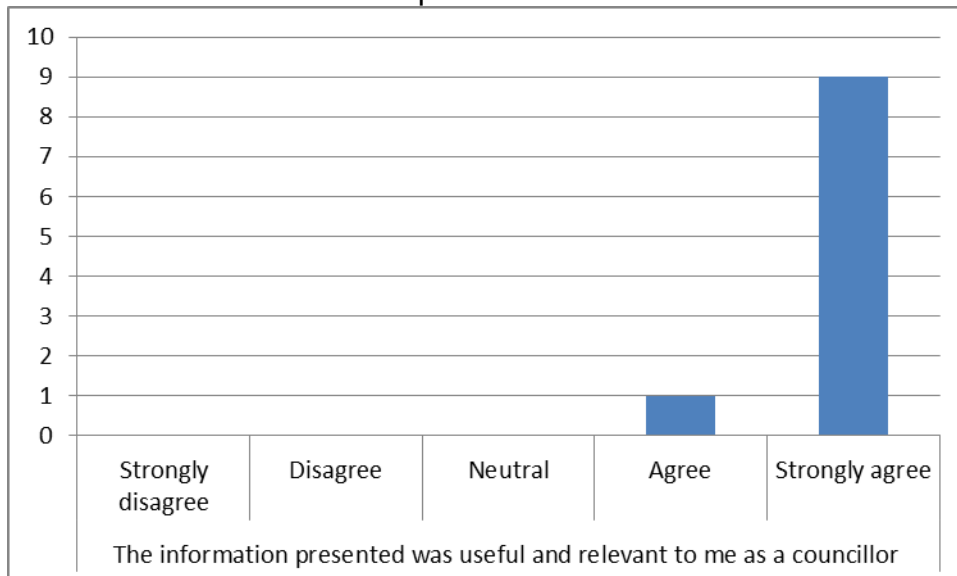
They were then asked if they felt the room and refreshments provided were appropriate for the session. The responses were:



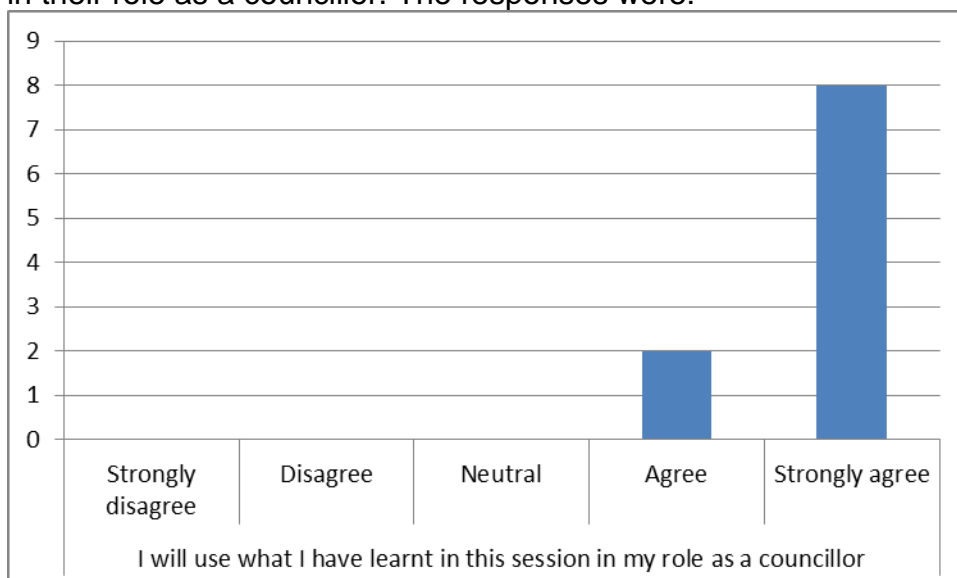
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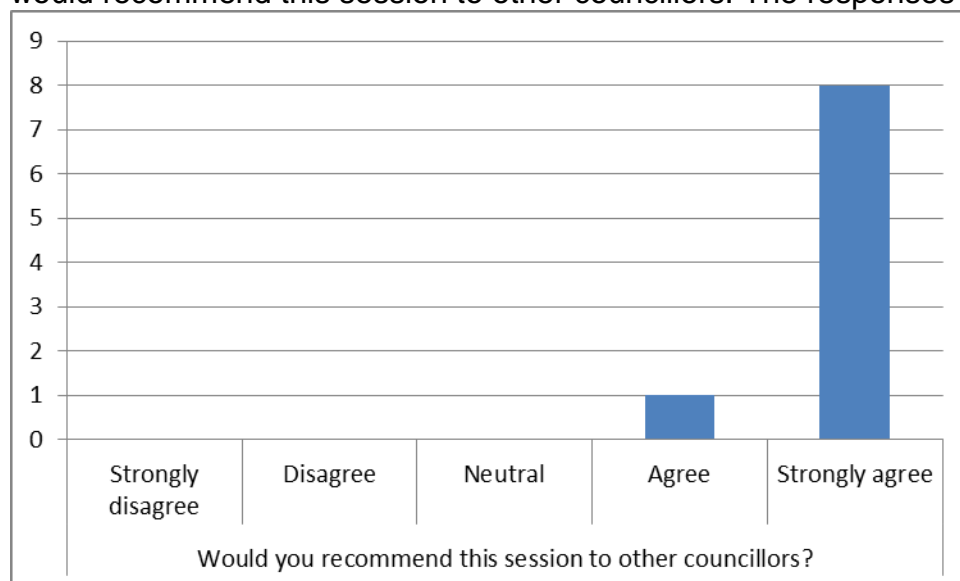


The councillors were then asked if they will use what they have learnt in this session in their role as a councillor. The responses were:





Finally, the councillors were asked to rate the session overall in terms of if they would recommend this session to other councillors. The responses were:



The councillors were also offered the opportunity to provide some additional comments on any thoughts they had on how the training offer could be improved. Their responses were as follows:

- Never said we are corporate parents though.
- Needed better balance between section lengths.
- Better pacing of individual sessions. All presenters were excellent!
- Letting us know if it's cancelled as I turned up last time and no-one was there.
- Powerpoint was a bit small.
- Timing for each speaker - so that all had equal time. Last speaker was a little rushed.
- First speaker went over internet training and previous knowledge.
- Quiz - good way of engaging me!
- Less TLAs; a little more continuity in the presentation, we had a lot to absorb and having to rethink each TLA slowed it down.
- I was only elected in May so it has been a steep learning curve and needs building on / reinforcement. It would have been useful to have had information as part of the new councillor induction, including an overview before the first meeting of the Children's Overview and Scrutiny Committee. I would also like some training sessions to be run during the day rather than have them all in the evening.
- Last two presentations were hurried due to the first ones taking so much time. Equal distribution of time for each presentation would have been better. Thought it was a good idea to do quiz first, to see what we knew and didn't know, dispelled some pre-conceptions.
- As a councillor it would be useful to have Ward area demographics but not necessary to go into too much detail. Even if it is just to show that it happens everywhere.