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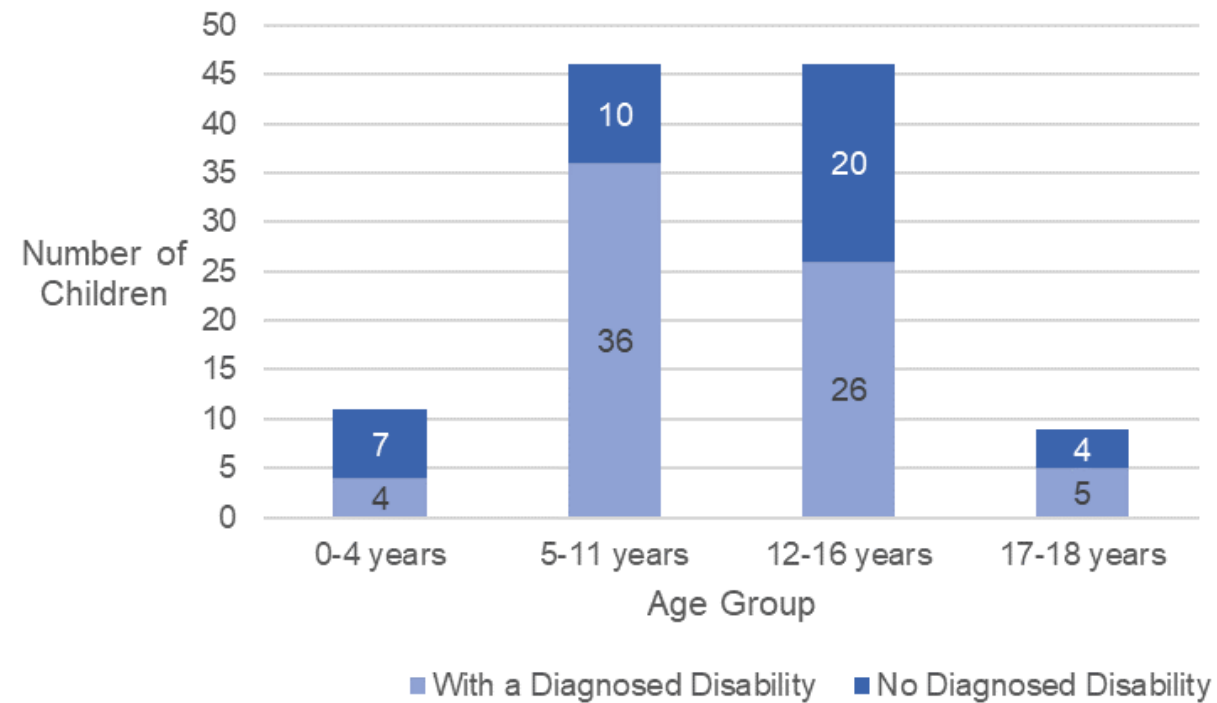
# Short Breaks, Your Say

## Survey Results

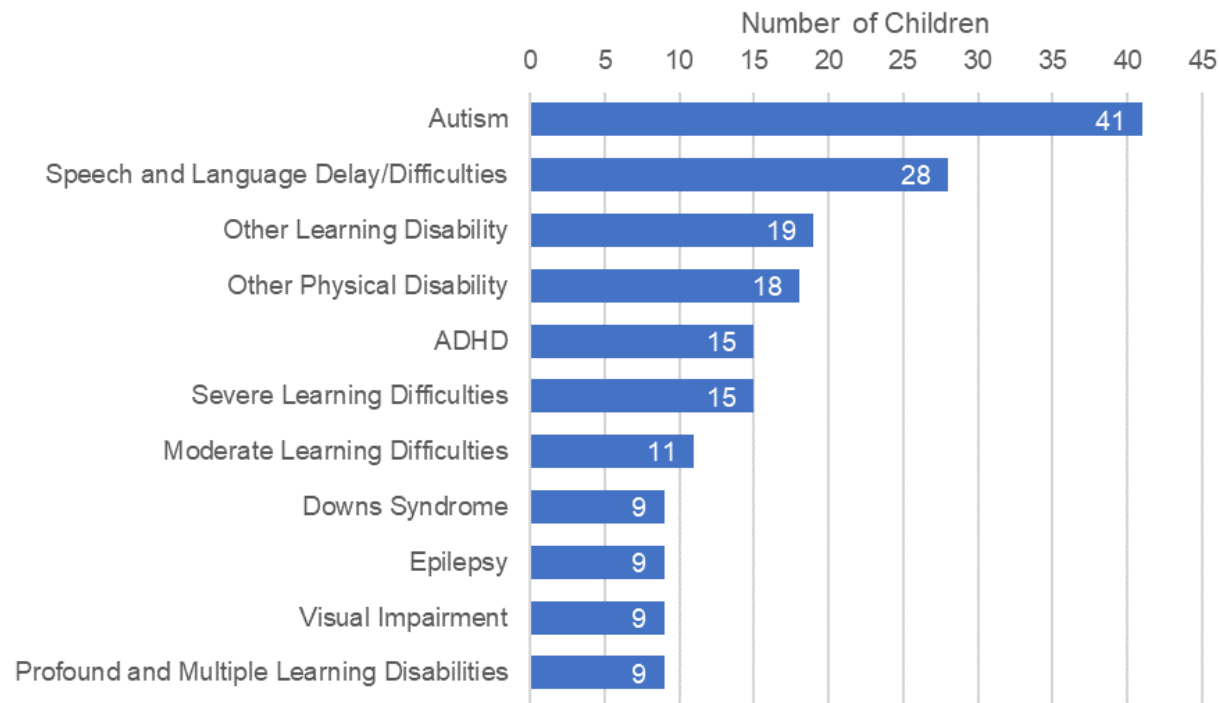
# Key Points

- ▶ Survey was open between 07 September and 29 October 2021.
- ▶ There were 69 completed responses.
- ▶ 62 respondents had caring responsibilities for children.
- ▶ Respondents had 146 children in total, 75 of whom have at least one diagnosed disability.
- ▶ Most children with a disability had more than one disability or long-term condition.
- ▶ Autism was the most frequent diagnosed disability or long-term condition.
- ▶ Most children with a disability had either completed or were awaiting a Section 23 Assessment.
- ▶ If respondents were entitled to a short break they would like this provided flexibly.

# Number of Children by Age and Disability Status

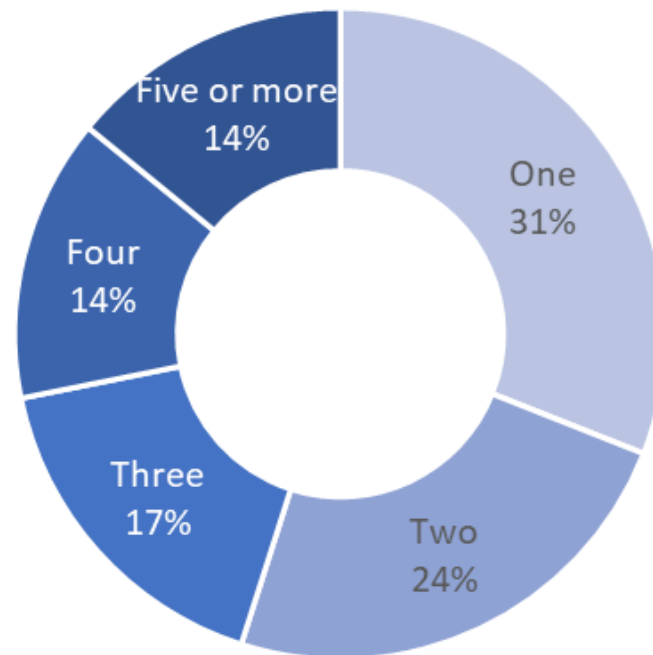


# Number of Children by Disability or Long-Term Condition



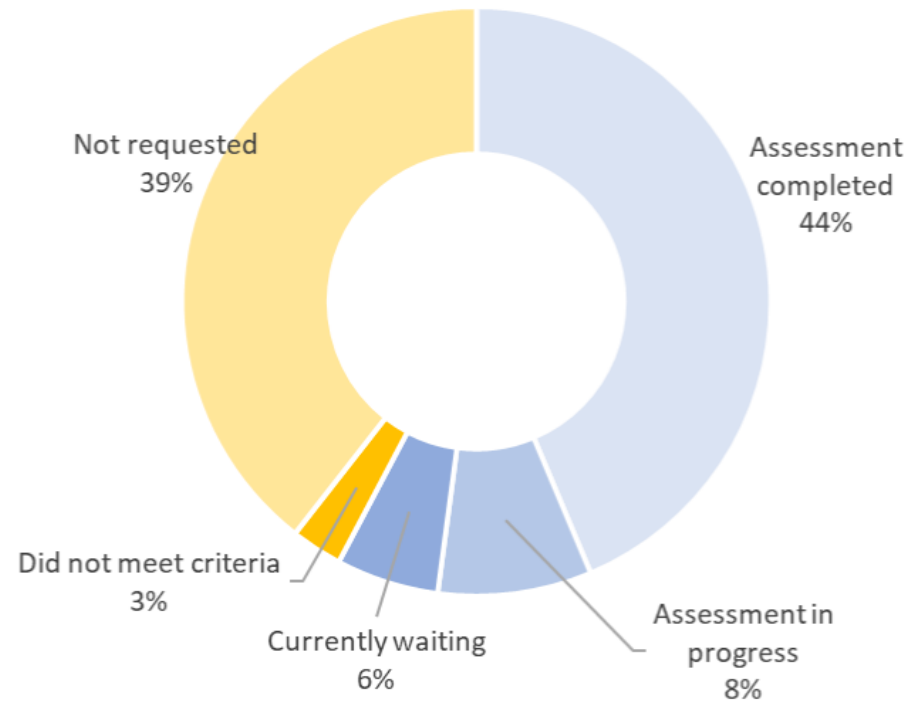
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# Number of Children and Disabilities



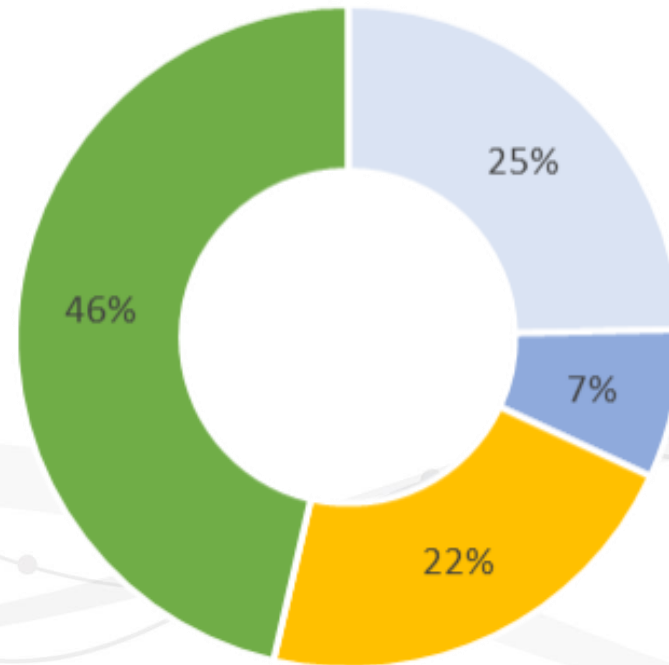
■ One ■ Two ■ Three ■ Four ■ Five or more

# Children with a Disability by Section 23 Status



- ▶ Respondents were asked if they were entitled to a short break, how would they like this provided. Four possible options provided:
  - Option 1 - a direct payment, which is a payment to you to organise and purchase your own support.
  - Option 2 – you identify the support you want and ask Perth and Kinross to arrange it for you.
  - **Option 3 – Perth & Kinross Council identifies and arranges the support, Woodlea Cottage comes under this option as it is a council run service.**
  - Option 4 - a mix of the above.

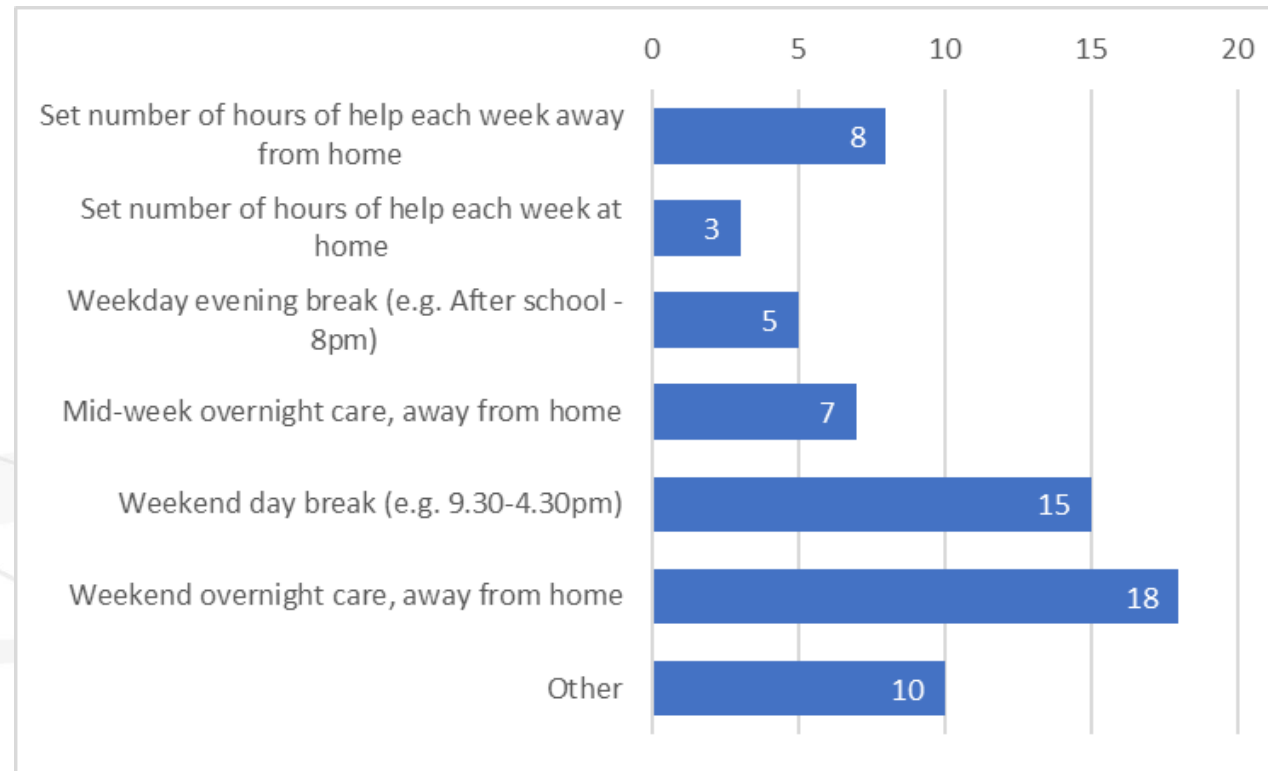
# If you were entitled to a short break, how would you like this to be provided?



■ Option 1 ■ Option 2 ■ Option 3 ■ Option 4



If you were entitled and Woodlea Cottage was your preferred option for a short break what would be your preferred pattern, if available?



# Comments

- ▶ 15 respondents chose to leave a comment, main themes were around:
  - ▶ Current short break supports being limited.
  - ▶ Process to access short breaks feels lengthy.
  - ▶ Process could be more transparent.
  - ▶ Commenting on quality of current support being received.
  - ▶ Anxiety about short break provision being reduced.