# HOTC Members Survey 2014 Results

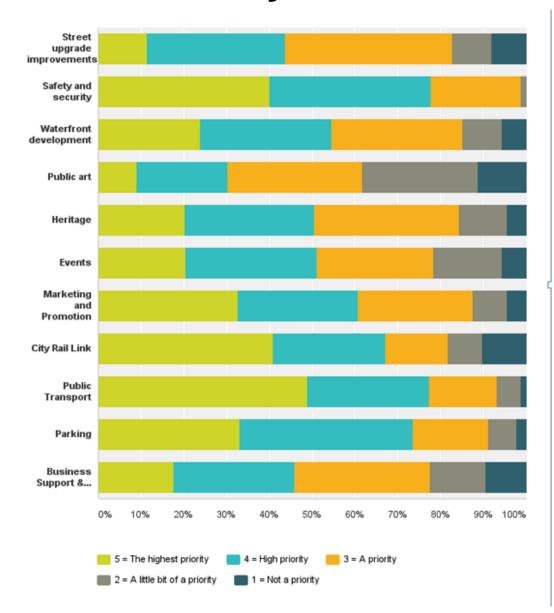


### Our members told us that:

- The highest City Centre priorities are: Public Transport, City Rail Link, Parking, Safety & Marketing
- They were aware of most of the areas of work that we were involved in (70+% awareness across most work areas) — less aware was our involvement in safety projects, 24/7 ped counts, and our role on the CBD Advisory Board
- Overall, 79% rated us good, very good or excellent in our overall performance
- Top performing HOTC work areas were: members comms, events, marketing, our ambassadors, improving the look of the city
- Lowest performing areas were monitoring the performance of the city and safety
- The one thing we do well is comms to business, then marketing and then promotion and events
- The one thing we should focus more on is safety, then parking



## **City Centre Priorities**



#### **Highest Priorities**

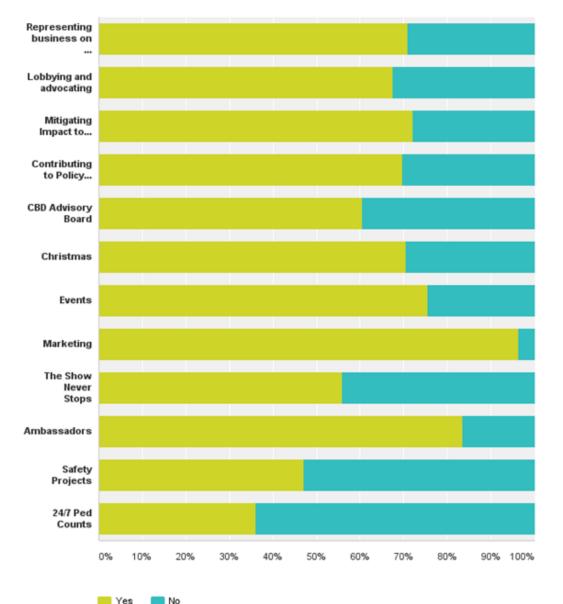
- Public Transport
- City Rail Link
- Parking
- Safety & Security
- Marketing & Promotion

#### Additional comments included:

- Improving the street environment rubbish, cleanliness, disabled facilities, toilets, street furniture, queen street improvements
- Business in the city the retention and attraction of businesses
- Begging and Parking was again reemphasised
- A few comments were received about the need to minimise the impact of events on business



### **Awareness of HOTCity Activities**

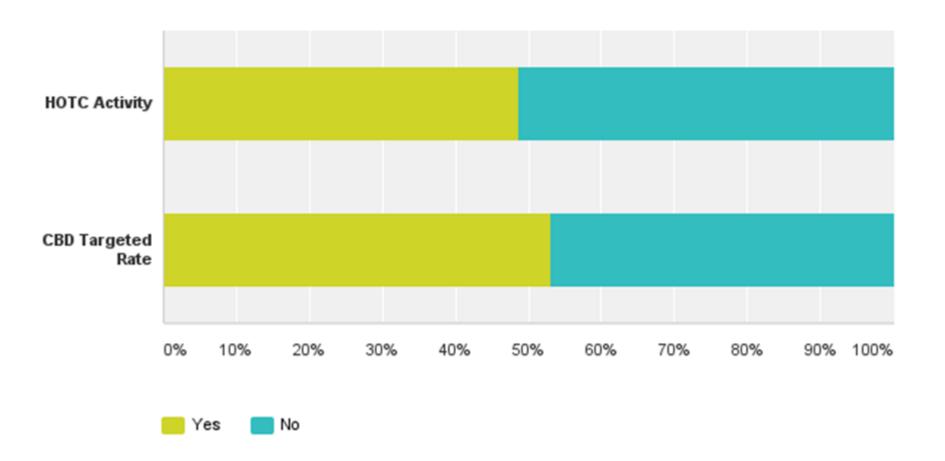


## We will increase visibility about

- our role in improving safety in the city
- how we monitor the performance of the City, including our 24/7 pedestrian count programme

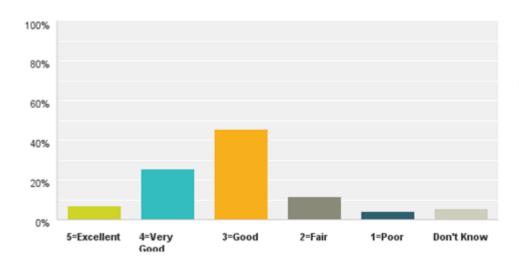


### **Awareness that Part of Council rates on property pays for:**





## Overall, how did our member rate us at working to improve the city centre for business?



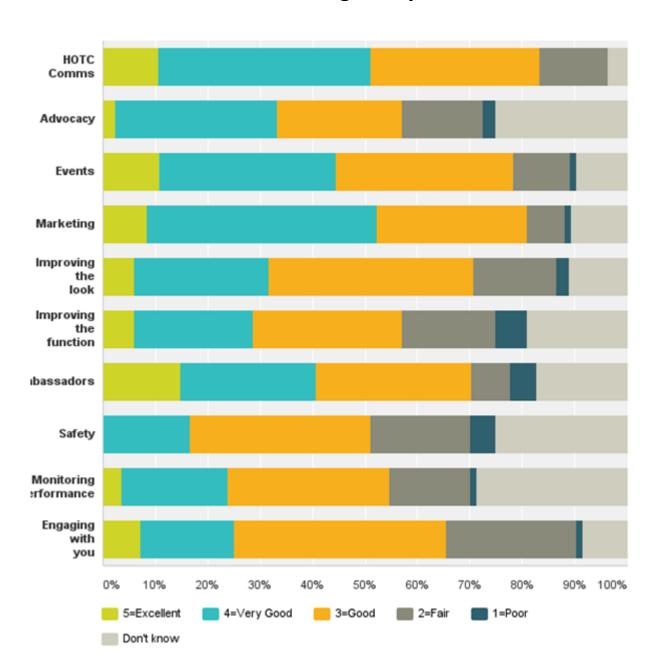
**33% of** businesses rated us as **excellent to very good** and **46% rated us as good.** Of those who provided additional comments, this is some of the things they told us:

- "You do a great job of promotion and generally support businesses well..."
- "Promotion of the City Centre has certainly improved over the last 12-18 months. Love the Easter Egg idea! Very clever and there are some really good fresh idea's coming out of HOTC".

**16%** businesses rated as **fair to poor**. Of those who provided additional comments, this is some of the things they told us:

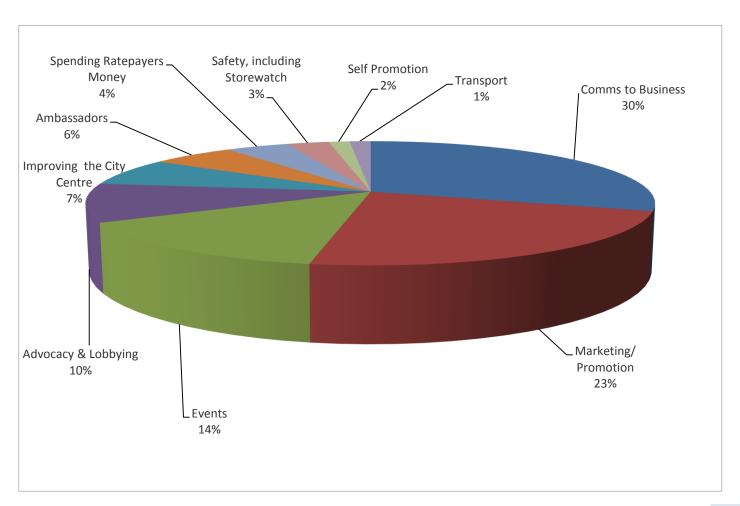
 "I think you can improve your goals by asking for input from established business owners especially on a regular basis...I feel the HOTC needs to become MUCH more transparent and topical with your activities..."

#### **Performance Rating of Key HOTC Works Areas**



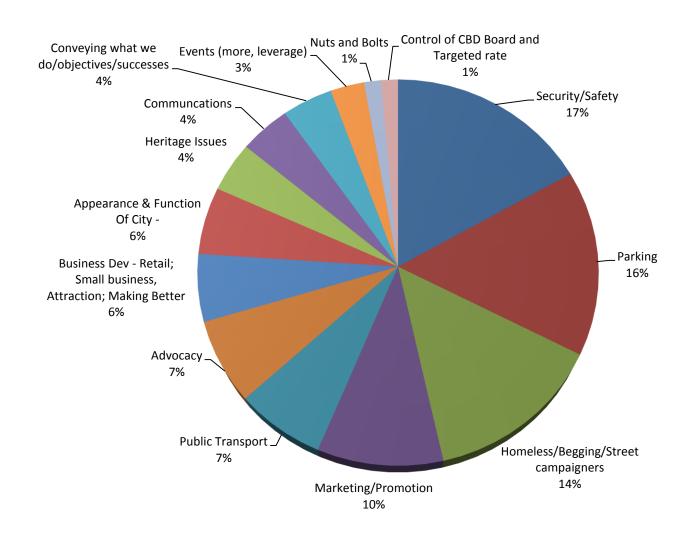


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## What is the ONE thing that we can focus more on?





# 34 businesses made additional 'general comments', some of the things they told us included:

- Most comments told us that we were "doing a good job", and to "keep up the good work",
  - "We have a beautiful city and you promote it well. Carry on with the good work so that we can all enjoy it"
  - "Just keep on keeping on"
- The majority of other comments reinforced earlier comments around safety, parking, begging along with recommendations on ways to improve the overall city centre environment:
  - "improve the 'short term street parking around the city, it is impacting on businesses in this area"
  - "Work on re-establishing the High St as the trendy heritage place to shop and be seen"
- We also received several comments about the need for us to engage better

