

Respecting children's voices: walking the talk.

“I believe we should claim certain rights for the children and labour for their universal recognition...” Eglantyne Jebb, founder of Save the Children.

Save the Children

Save the Children is a child rights non political, non-sectarian development agency working in more than 120 countries to inspire breakthroughs in the way the world treats children and young people.

New Zealand focus



Child Rights

- Good governance.
- Government's responsibility to citizens.
- Awareness & strengthening protection systems.

Child Protection

- Advocacy on:
 - Abuse
 - Neglect
 - Exploitation
 - Violence.

Emergencies

- Natural disasters.

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YOUNG LEADERS PROGRAMME



Advocacy

Child & Youth Council (CYC)

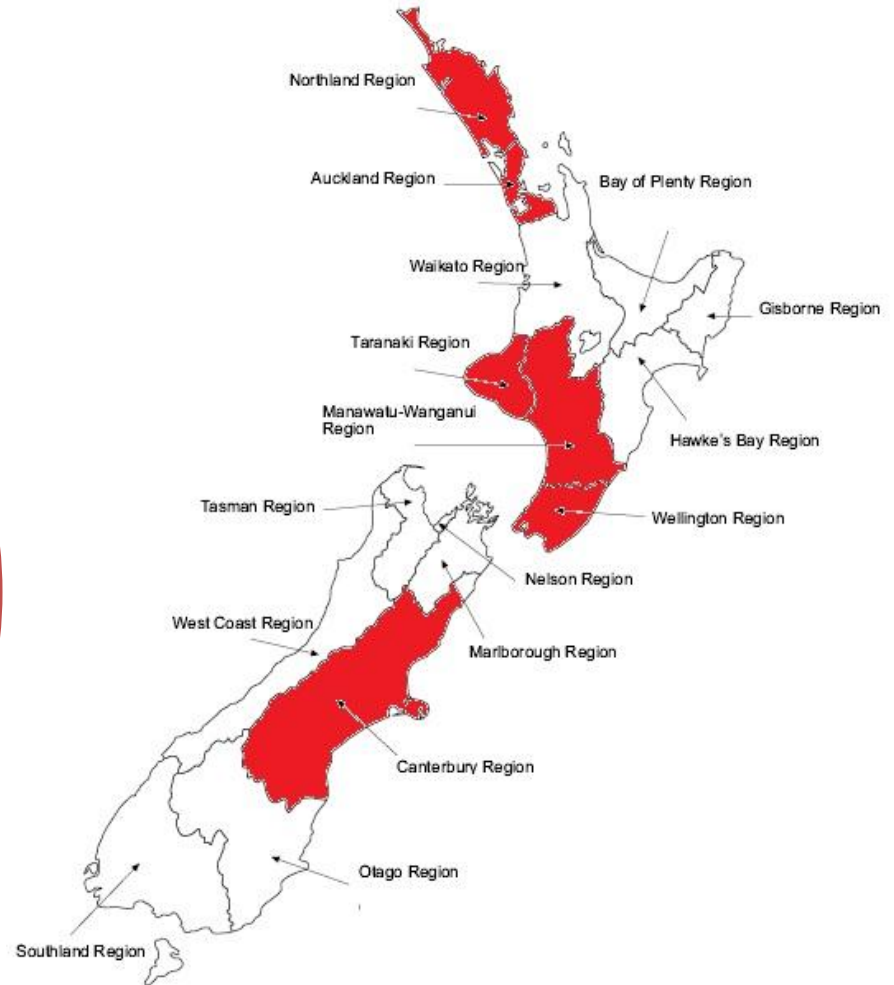
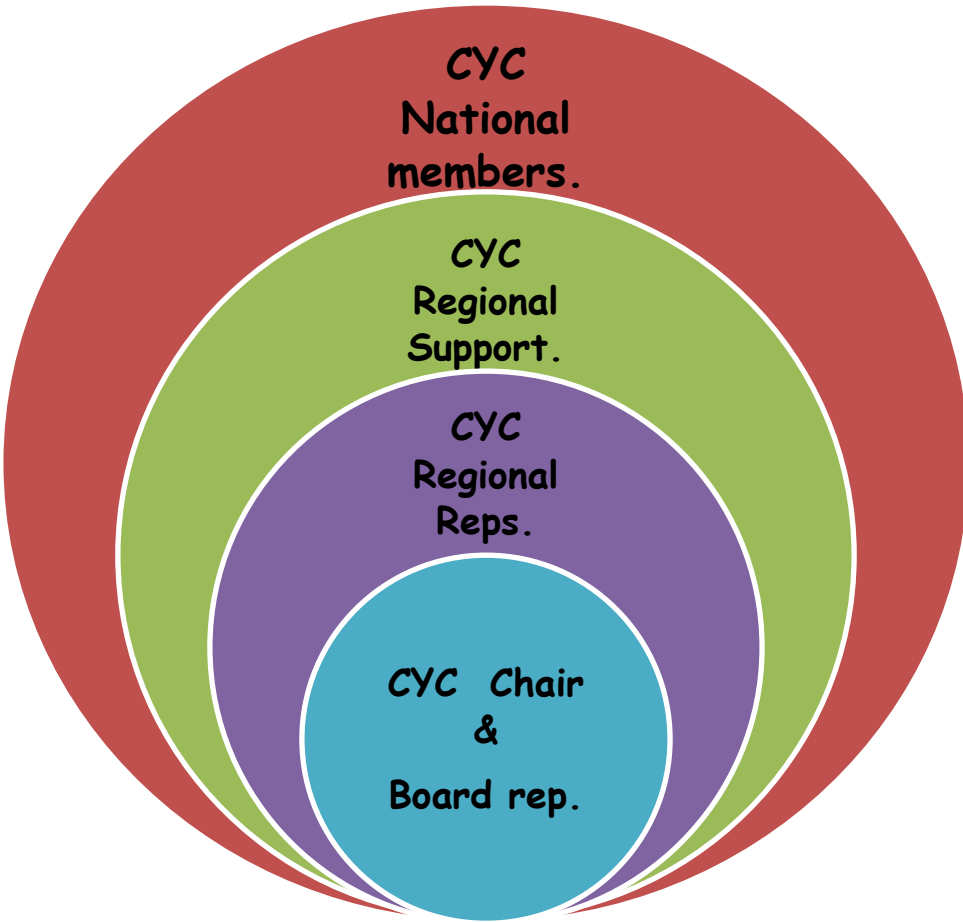
The voice of children
and young people at Save the Children

HEAR OUR VOICES VALUES EXCHANGE.

A safe online platform on which children and youth will be heard by policy makers and government.

[Http://stcvxcommunity.com](http://stcvxcommunity.com)

The CYC



Objectives & measures

Child Rights Governance.	More children have their rights realised.	By 2015, Save the Children will have significantly contributed to <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strengthened state institutions and mechanisms for the implementation and monitoring of children's rights• Increased awareness and capacity among civil society and children to promote children's rights and hold duty bearers to account	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Direct reach• Utilisation of service(s)• Quality of participation
Child Participation	Children participate in matters affecting their lives.	By 2015, Save the Children will ensure children are able to express their views, influence decision-making and achieve change in all SC programmes around the world.	Quality of participation

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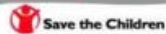
Child Rights Governance

Supplementary reporting: child-informed supplementary reports are prepared or have been submitted to the United Committee on the Rights of the Child by Save the Children or by our civil society partners and networks. (e.g. Hear Our Voices, children and young people report, 2010).

Child rights policy change: Number of policy or legislative changes to institutionalise children's rights has taken place with the support of Save the Children. (e.g. Repeal S59 campaign to promote alternative forms of discipline was informed by "Insights"* from children.

Child rights coalitions: The work of coalitions for children's rights supported by Save the Children and partners have demonstrated impact or influence, e.g. Every Child Counts and the UNCRC Monitoring Group.

HEAR OUR VOICES



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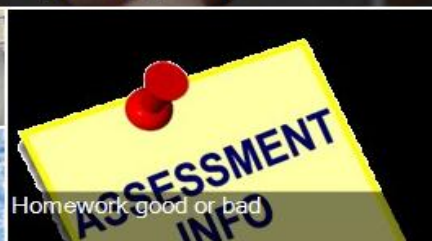
+ Post an Issue



What is the best way a young person can help less fortunate young people?



Joseph Kony: Criminal or Liberation Fighter?



Homework good or bad?



The Things taught in school should be relevant to real life



WAGE NOT AGE?

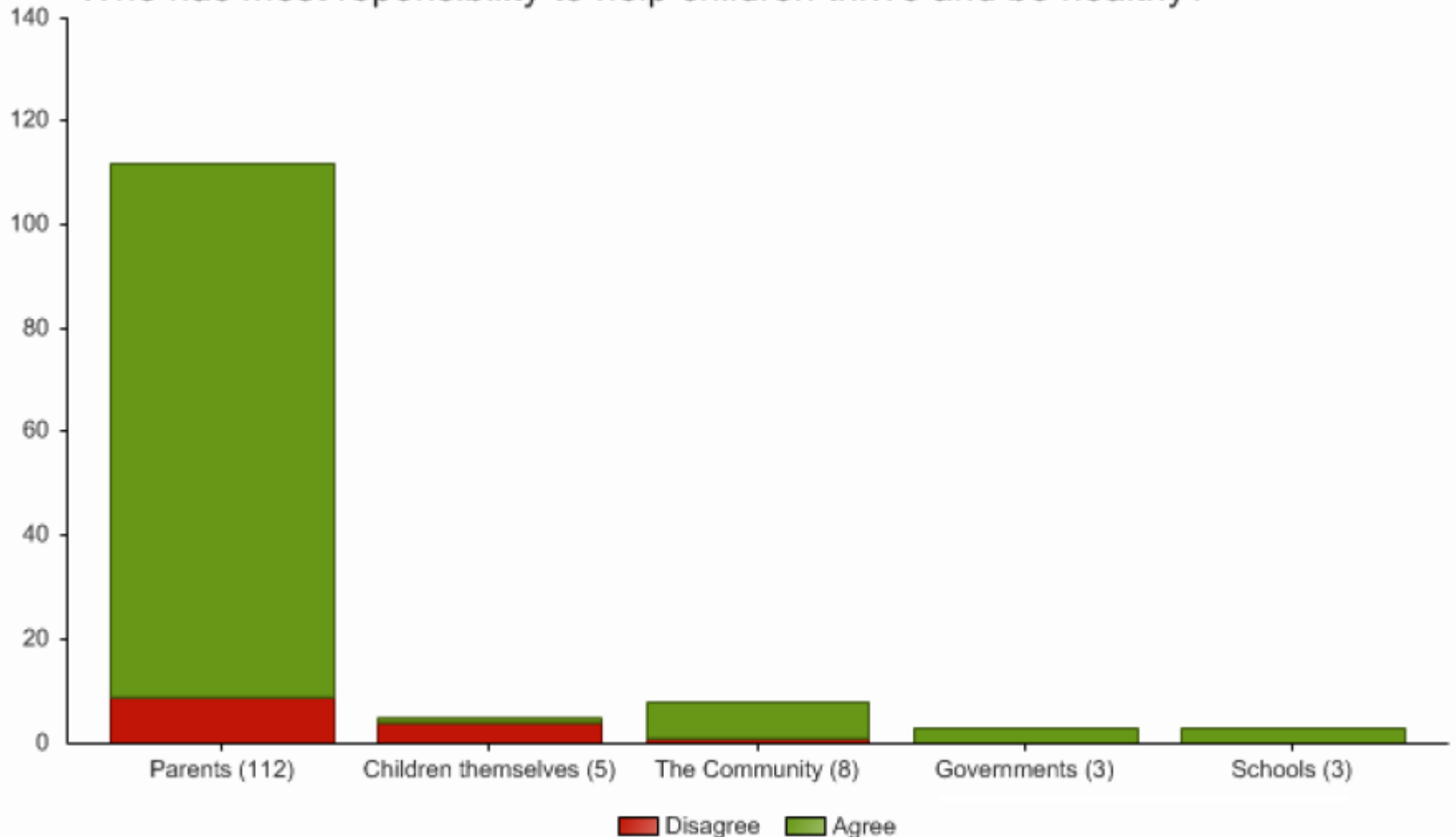
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What issue would you like government to address most urgently of all?



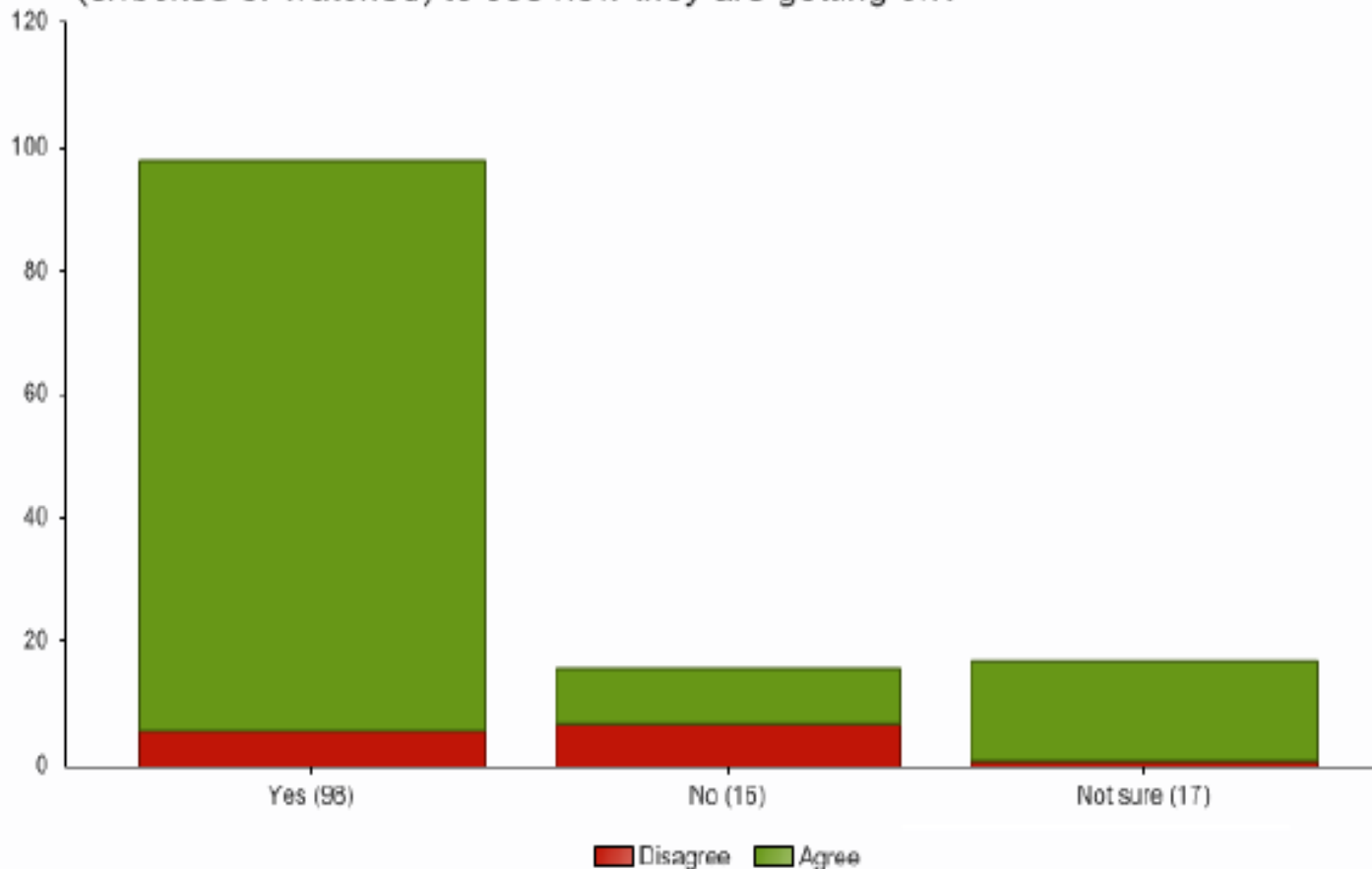
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Who has most responsibility to help children thrive and be healthy?



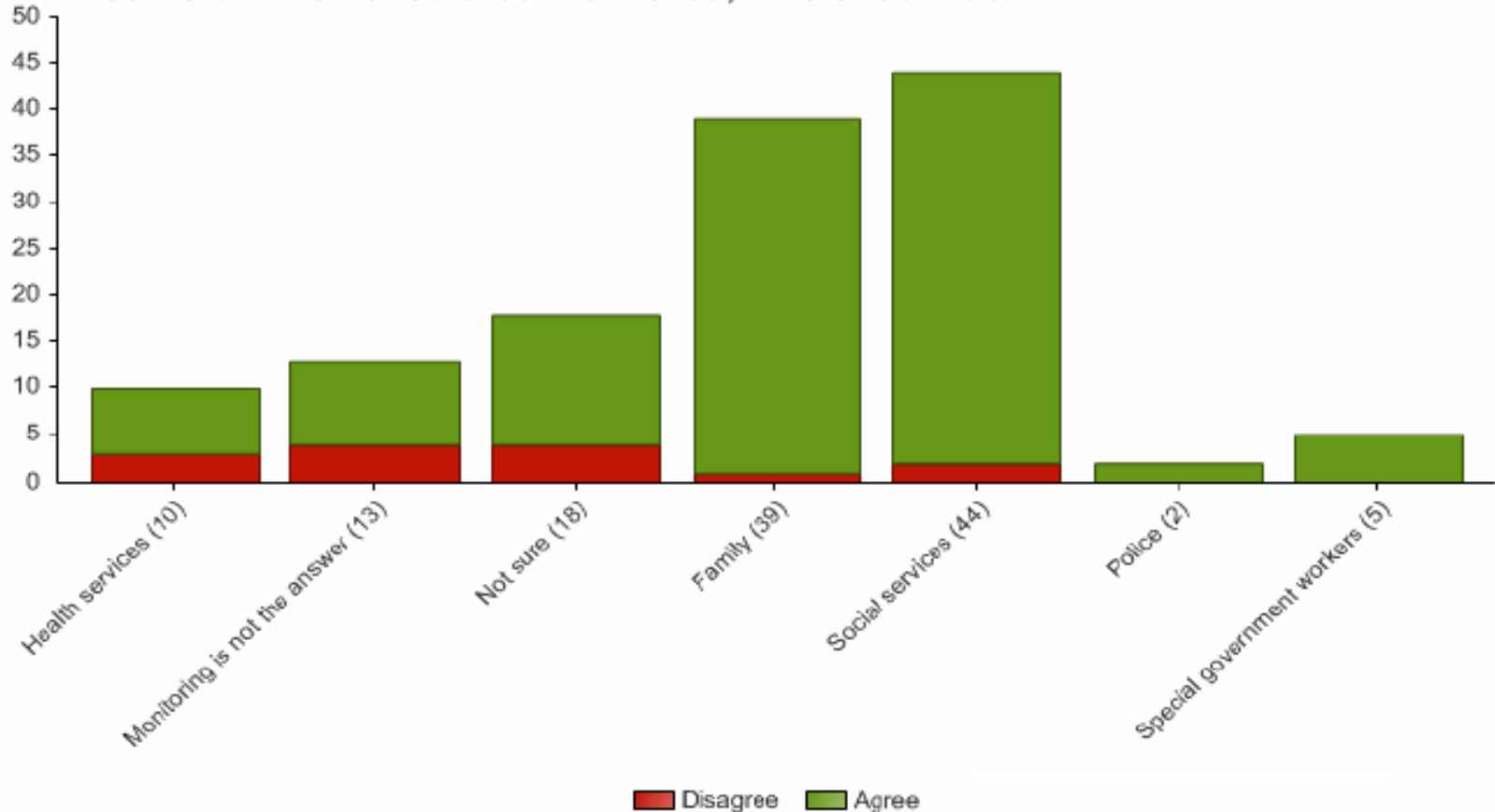
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Should some children and young people (who seem to be at risk) be monitored (checked or watched) to see how they are getting on?



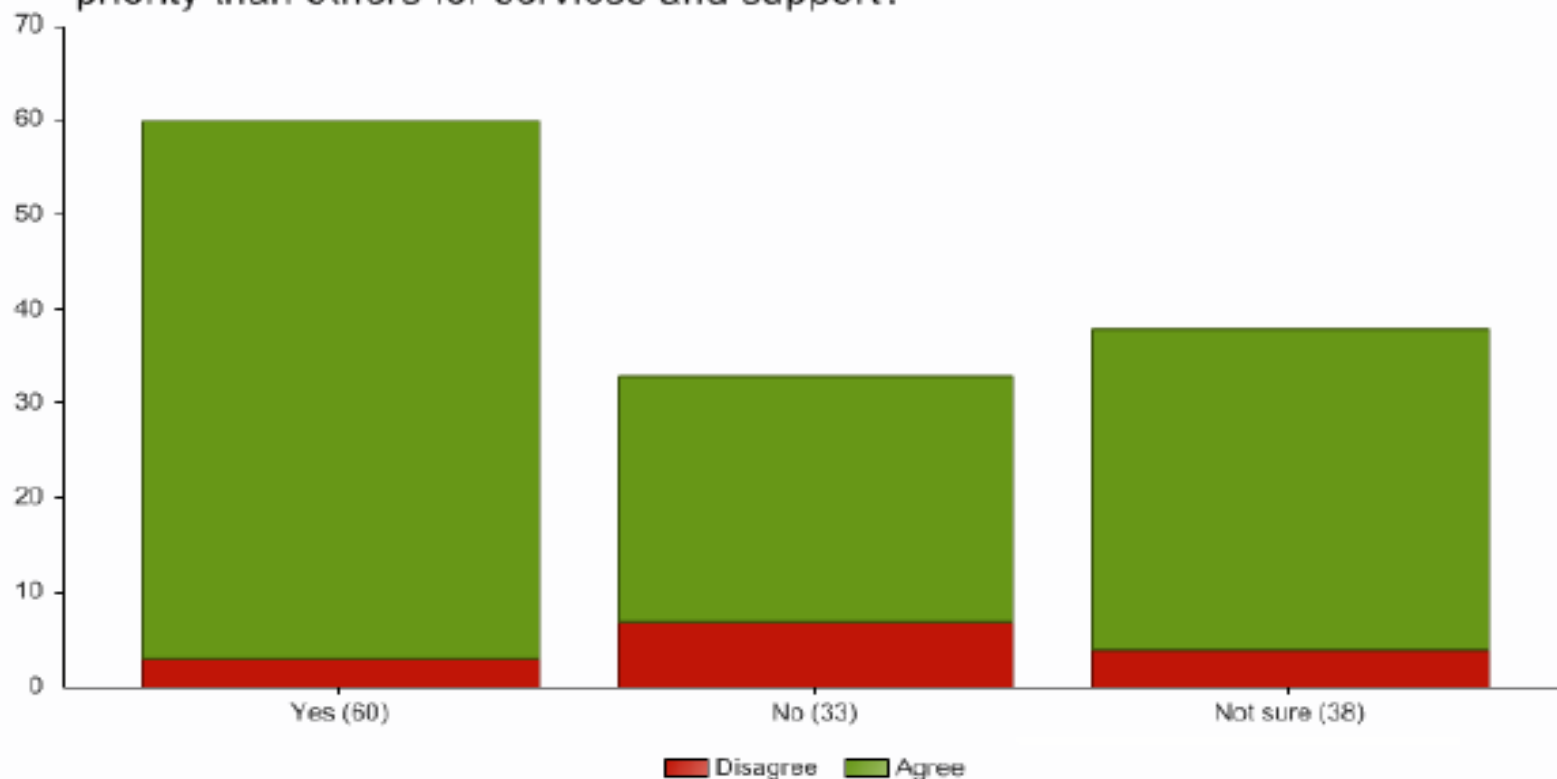
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If some children should be monitored, who should do it?



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Should some children and young people (like Ann and Nancy) get a higher priority than others for services and support?



Advocacy: Informing policy



Representatives of the Child and Youth Council hand over a copy of their submission on the Green Paper for Vulnerable Children to MP Alfred Ngāro at Parliament on 22 February 2012.

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