

## CAPP Public Forum February 2, 2021

### **Poll Results**

Good evening everyone, for those that don't know me my name is Kirk Albert, I'm a long time resident of Kemptville and I'm an active member of the Jail Opposition Group and have been working in collaboration with CAPP and other concerned residents since the August 2020 announcement from the Province about a plan to build our prison in our town.

I'd like to start this evening reflecting back to Public Forum held by CAPP on February 2nd 2021, where 6 presenters provided a wealth of information on various subjects to inform our community about prisons and what we can expect should the facility be built in our town. For those that didn't attend, you can find videos of the session on Youtube (just type in CAPP Forum), it is well worth your time if you haven't had a chance to listen.

At the February forum, participants were asked questions to help direct future activity by CAPP and JOG, not unlike this evening where you will be asked for your ideas in an effort to help direct future events or activities that our community can take on and implement to strengthen the opposition that a great many of our friends and neighbours are talking to us about and to continue to show Mr. Ford, Ms. Jones and Mr. Clark in particular that this is a plan that needs to be withdrawn and more

appropriately considered.

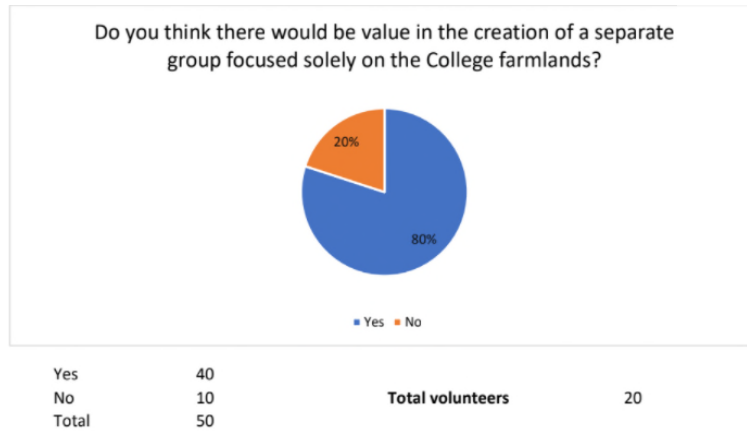
Both CAPP and JOG felt it was important to share these results with the community, so you know that we value not only your participation in these events but also your opinion. As I go through these poll results briefly now and as you will hear later in tonight's session – community action and community involvement is real, it can promote change and it can make decision makers reconsider their plans. There are plenty of examples to support this when common sense prevails.

If you want a simple example, just think back to the blue Ontario license plates launched last summer, two weeks after the government said there was no issue with the plates, despite many complaints about their visibility at night, they stopped their production and use.

Moving too quickly without doing your homework can be detrimental, and it has become increasingly clear that the Ford Government jumped again in its announcement to build a prison in our small town.

A few points about the poll results, is that unfortunately, participants who watched live via Zoom and Facebook (of which there were roughly 100) didn't have the opportunity to vote, so the numbers of respondents for each question does not reflect the entirety of those in attendance.

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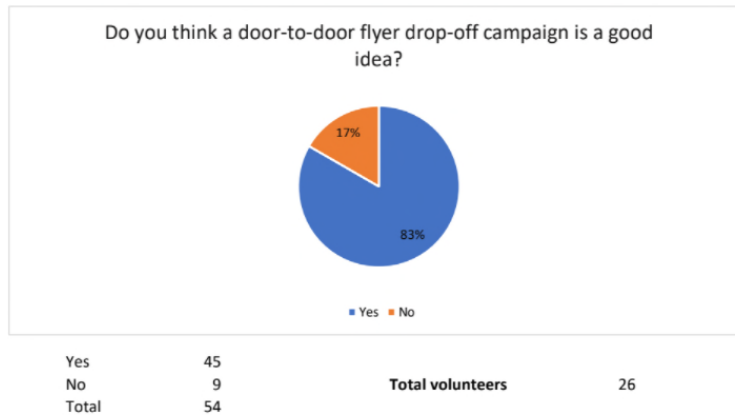


In the poll question you see that many were in favour of creating a separate group focused solely on College Farmland.

I know there are plans for future information sessions about this, so I'll leave it at just the results for now.

Victor has more details and will speak to it shortly.

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The next polling question was directed at the reality that we have a number of residents of Kemptville and more broadly in North Grenville, that are not active with social media and/or don't have suitable wi-fi or may have only limited information about what the Provincial government proposed.

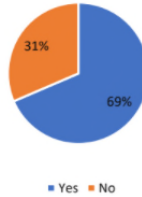
Let's face it, the announcement came during a pandemic so whether your tech savvy or not, many have (rightly so) been preoccupied, so it was recognized that Since information was NOT flowing from the MPP's office, our local Govt's office or from the Ministry of the Solicitor General that it was necessary and prudent to find a way to inform our community.

You can see that many participants agreed that getting information out to everyone was important.

Victor will have more to say about this later as well.

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Do you think a GoFundMe campaign to raise money for mass mailing as an alternative to door-to-door campaigning is a reasonable course of action?



Yes	37
No	17
Total	54

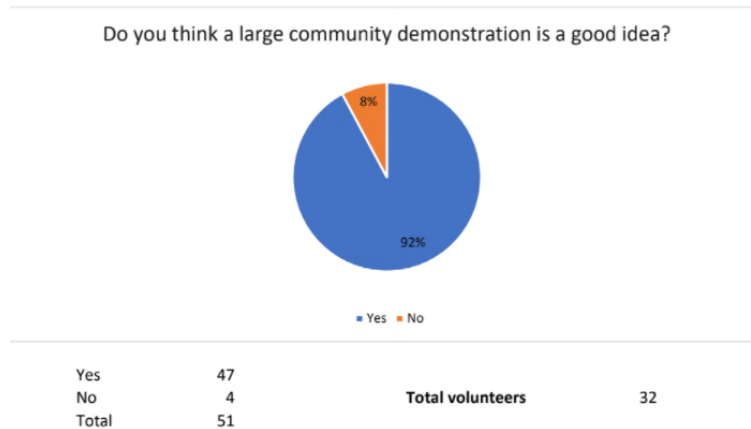
The next poll question had to do with raising funds to enable the mail out or door to door drop off campaign.

Strong support was in agreement that this was a viable method to raise the required funds.

Unfortunately, with the lock downs and stay at home orders as part of the pandemic, going door to door became an option that wasn't feasible  
So using a mail service became plan "A".

The Gofundme campaign will be discussed in greater detail later by Lisette, so I will move on to the 4<sup>th</sup> and final poll question.

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In this question, you can see there was a significant majority that felt that a large community demonstration would be a good idea.

As you may know, there were a few socially distanced demonstrations that took place last year, but again, limiting mobility and social interaction amidst the pandemic is a priority.

Both this question and the previous one regarding the door to door campaign were with the caveat that it was safe to do so in the context of the pandemic.

I'd like to now take you to a different but related deck showing you a basic timeline of events and activities since the Provincial announcement approximately 9 months ago.

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