



VCSE MH Alliance
Member
consultation
findings March
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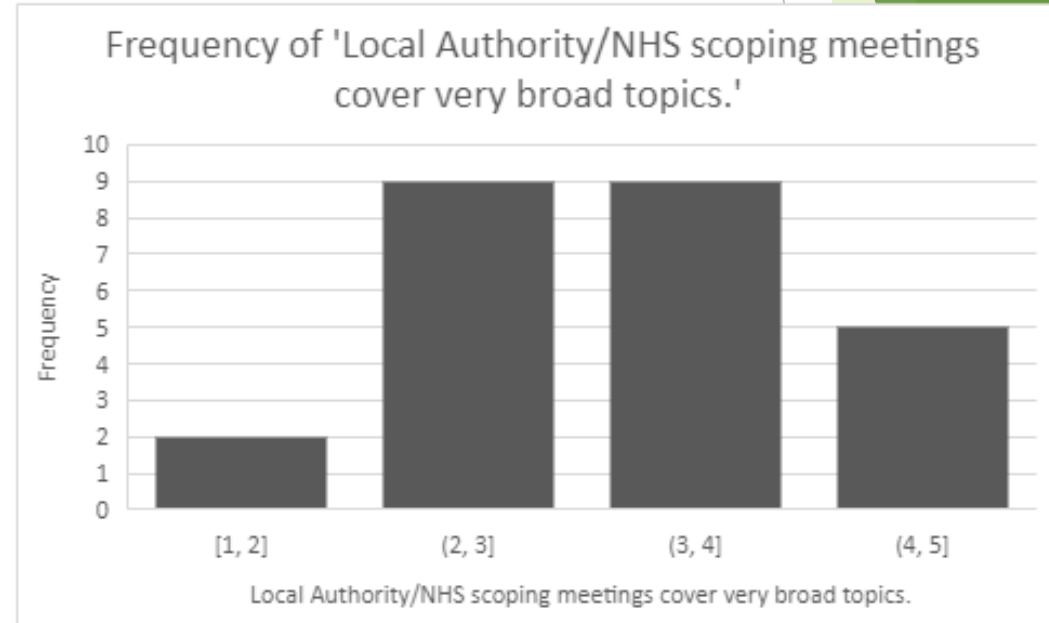
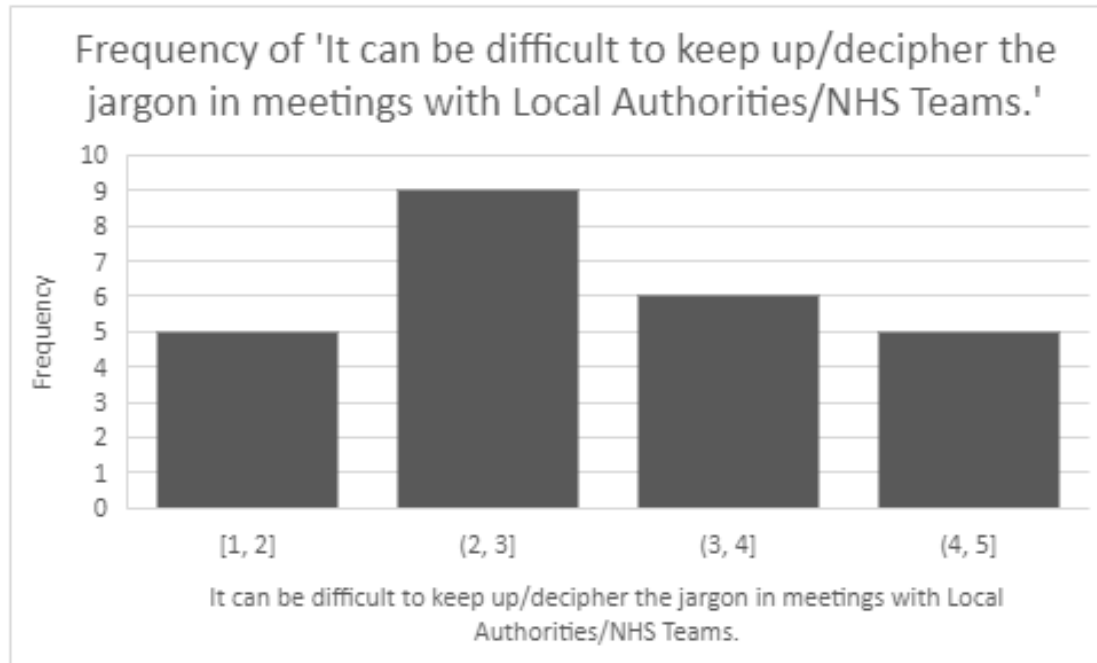
► We asked members to respond to 21 statements, stating their agreement with each statement, 5 stars indicated they completely agree.

► Answers from the 50% of the membership that responded have been kept **completely anonymous**, these key findings form the next step in developing a set of recommendations for the VCSE Mental Health Alliance to present when engaging with partners, particularly Local Authorities and NHS Trusts and Commissioning bodies.



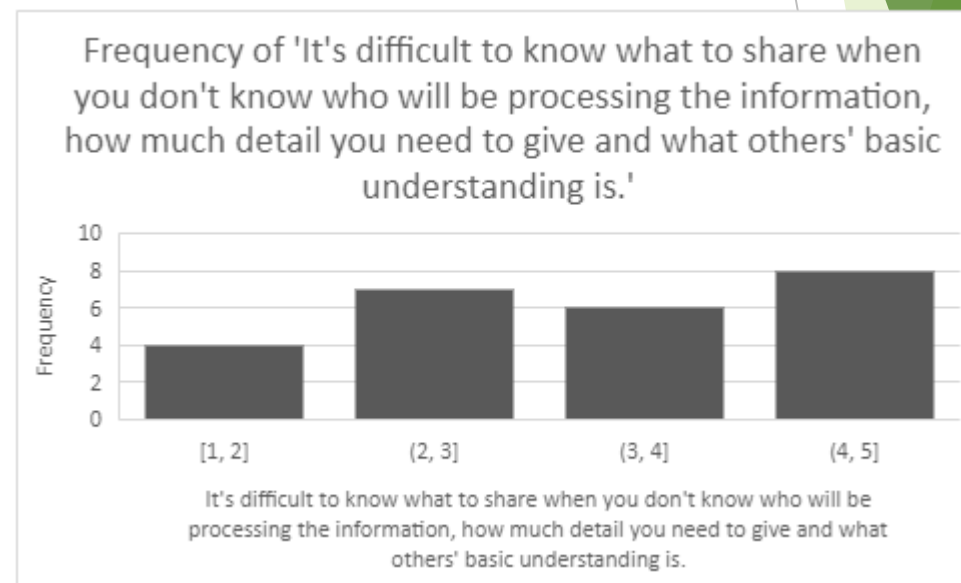
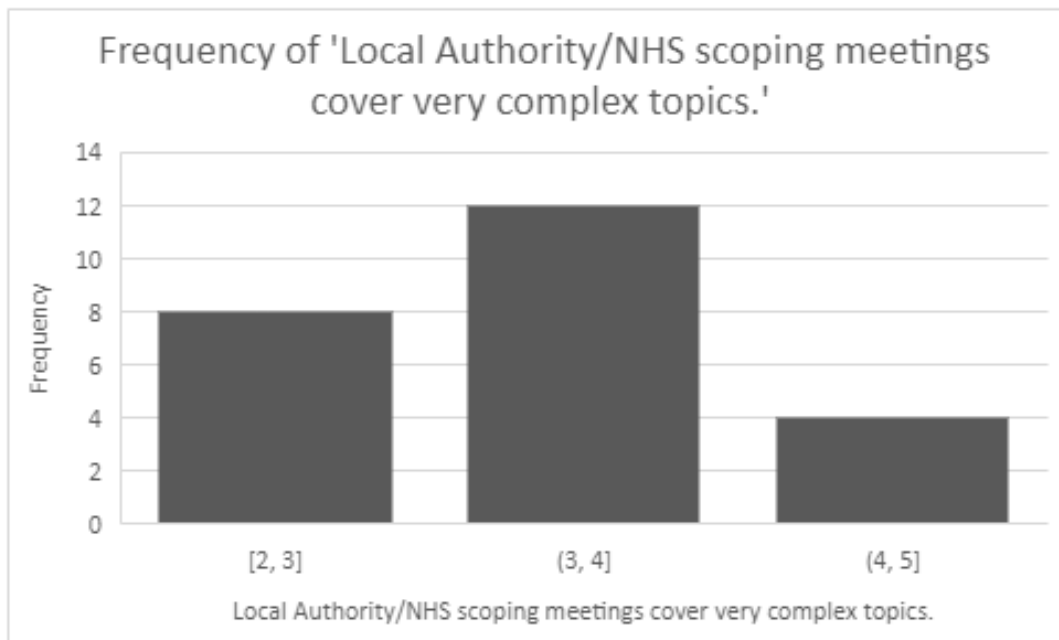
Meetings

It can be difficult to keep up/decipher the jargon in meetings with Local Authorities/NHS Teams - **44% rated between “4-5” for this question**



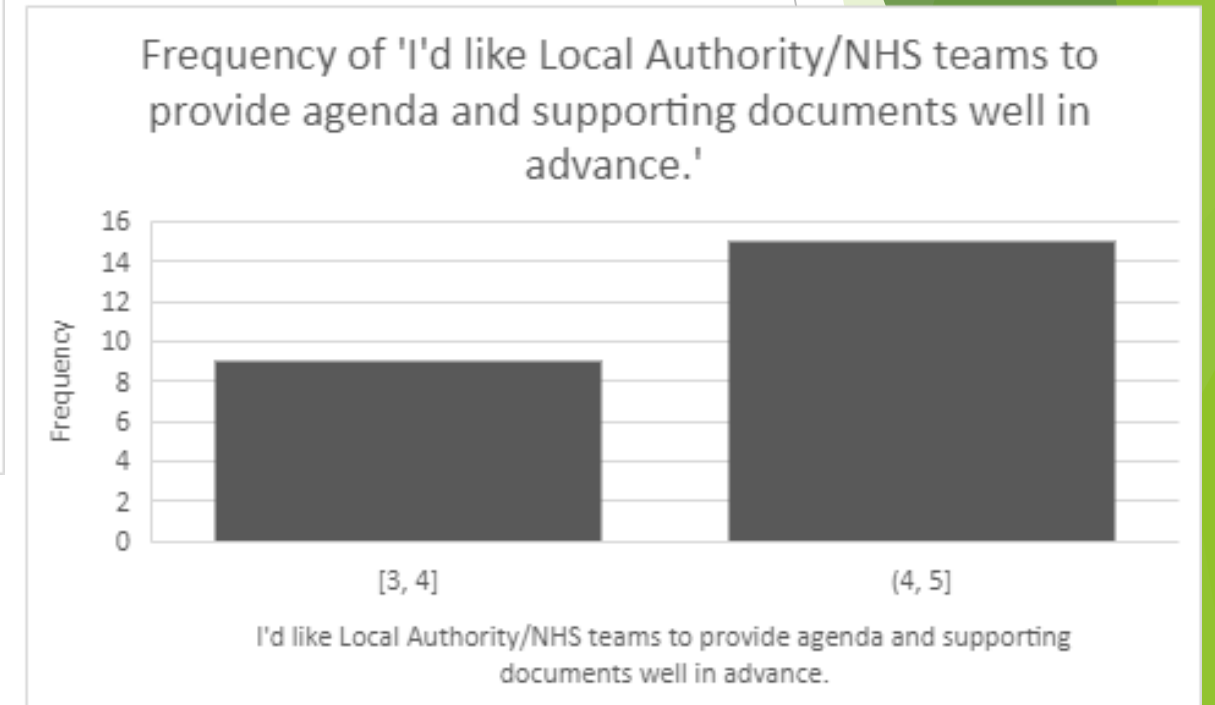
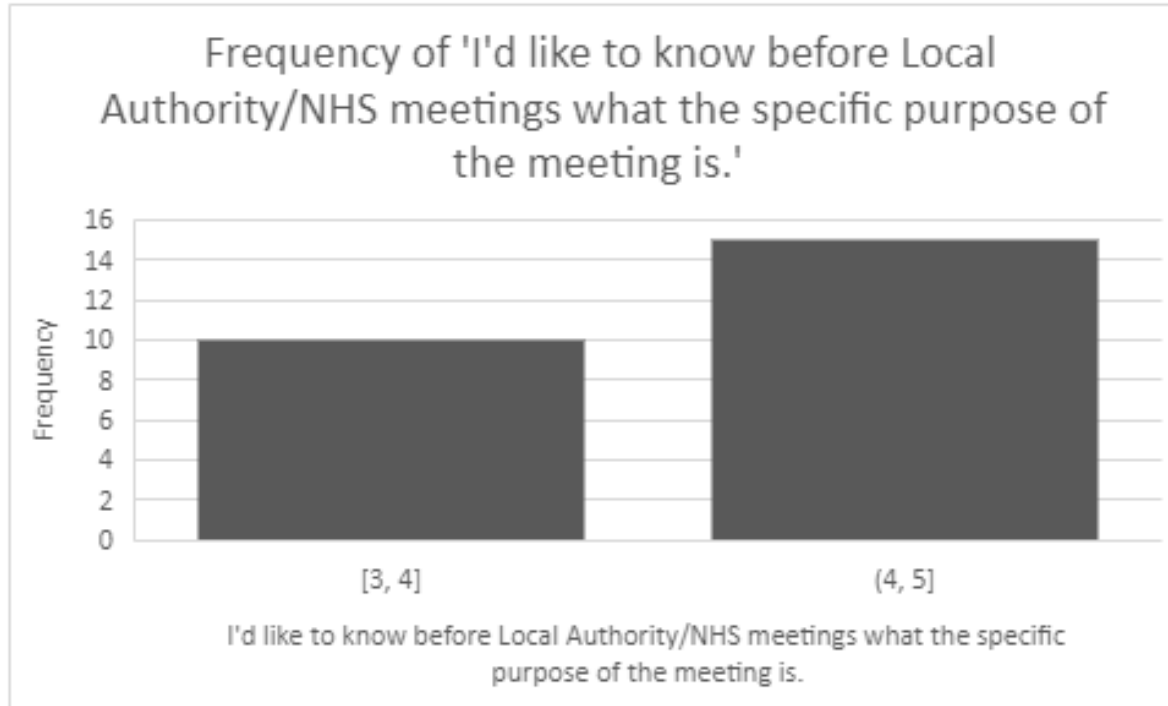
Local Authority/NHS scoping meetings cover very broad topics - **56% rated between “4-5” for this question**

Local Authority/NHS scoping meetings cover very complex topics - **67% rated between “4-5” for this question**



It's difficult to know what to share when you don't know who will be processing the information, how much detail you need to give and what other's basic understanding is - **56% rated between “4-5” for this question**

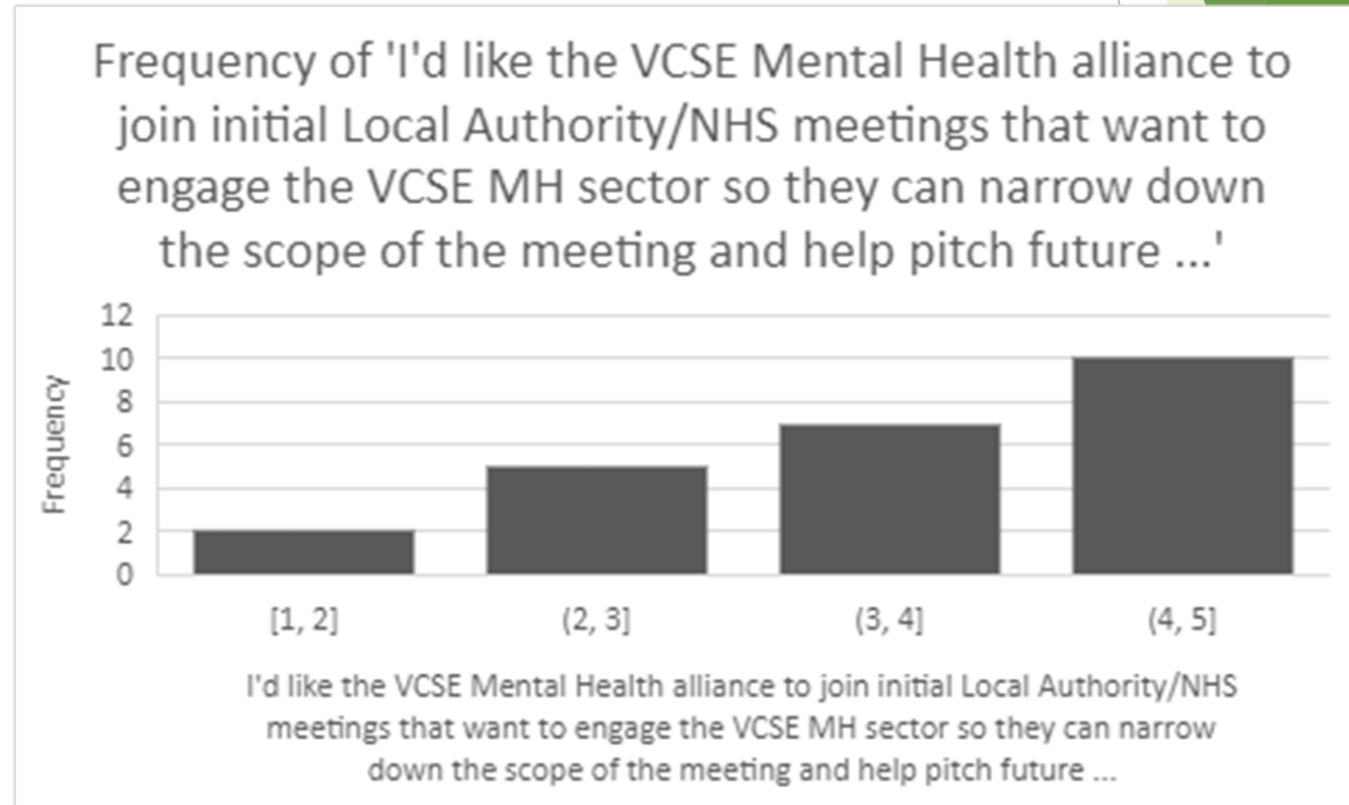
I'd like to know before Local Authority/NHS meetings what the specific purpose of the meeting - **88% rated between "4-5" for this question**



I'd like Local Authority/NHS teams to provide agenda and supporting documents well in advance - **92% rated between "4-5" for this question**

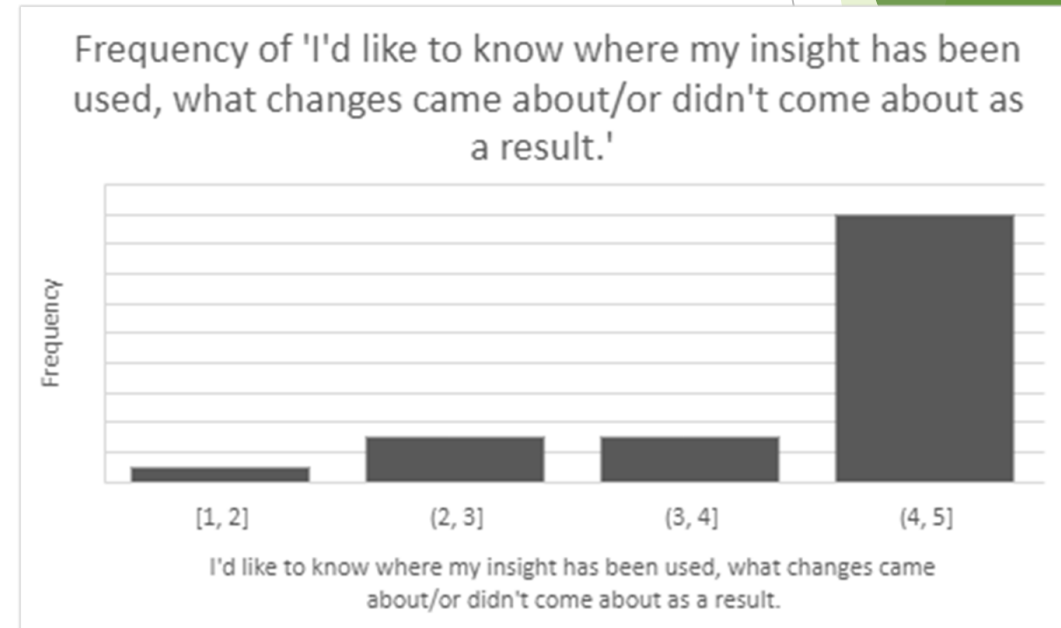
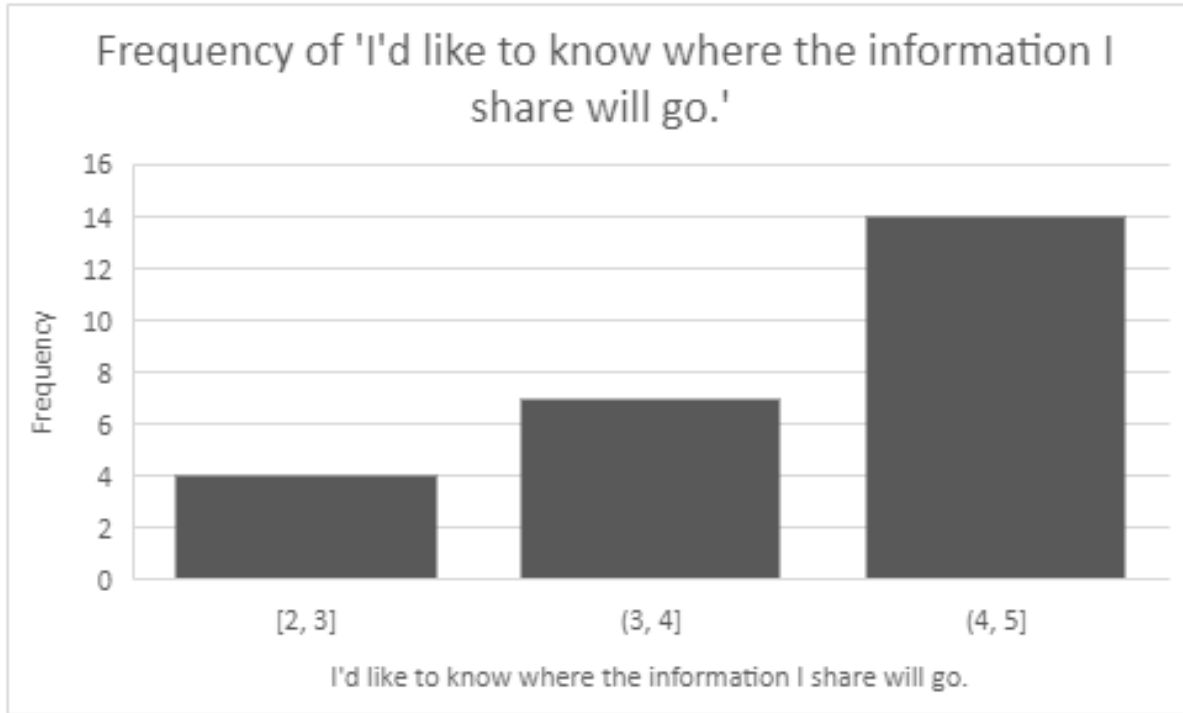
I find it more comfortable to openly contribute in VCSE Mental Health sector meetings than those including Local Authority/NHS employees - **28% rated between “4-5” for this question**

I'd like the VCSE Mental Health Alliance to join initial Local Authority/NHS meetings that want to engage the VCSE MH sector so they can narrow down the scope of the meeting and help to pitch future information gathering appropriately - **71% rated between “4-5” for this question**



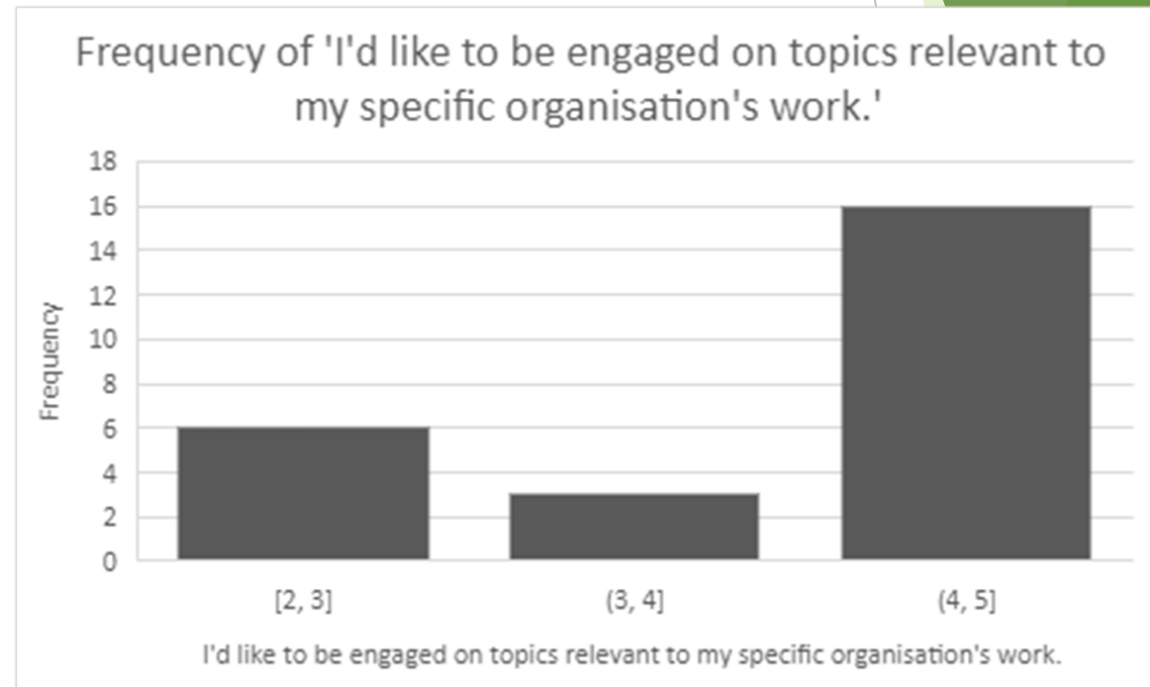
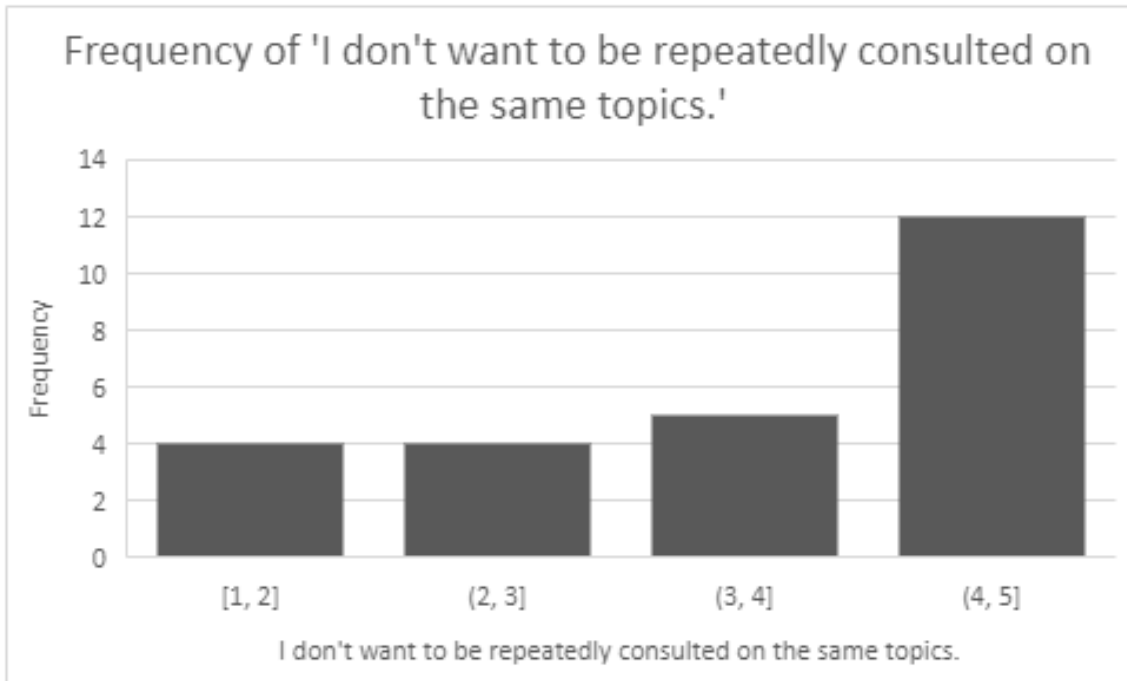
Sharing information

I'd like to know where the information I share will go - **84% rated between "4-5" for this question**



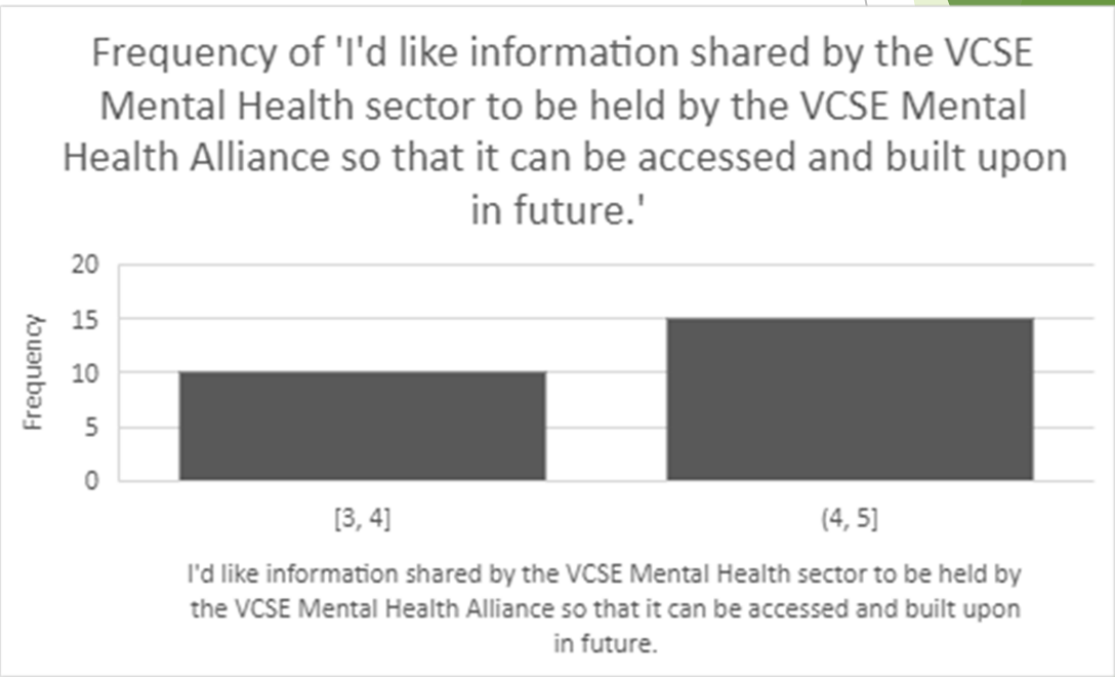
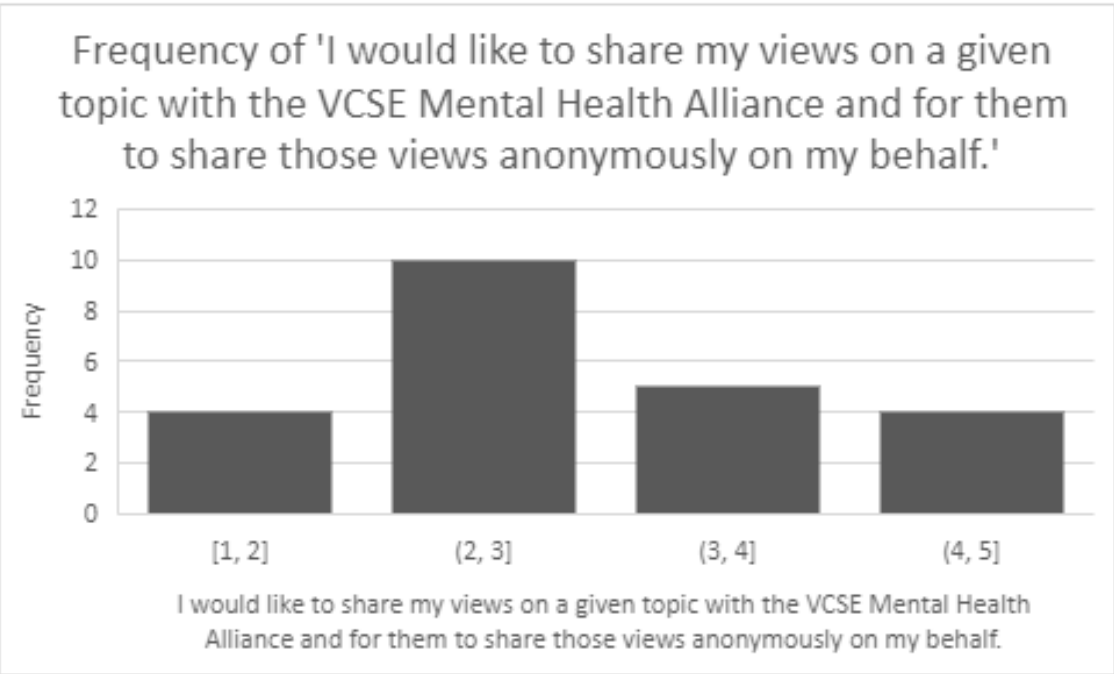
I'd like to know where my insight has been used, what changes came about/or didn't come about as a result - **84% rated between "4-5" for this question**

I don't want to be repeatedly consulted on the same topics - **68% rated between "4-5" for this question**



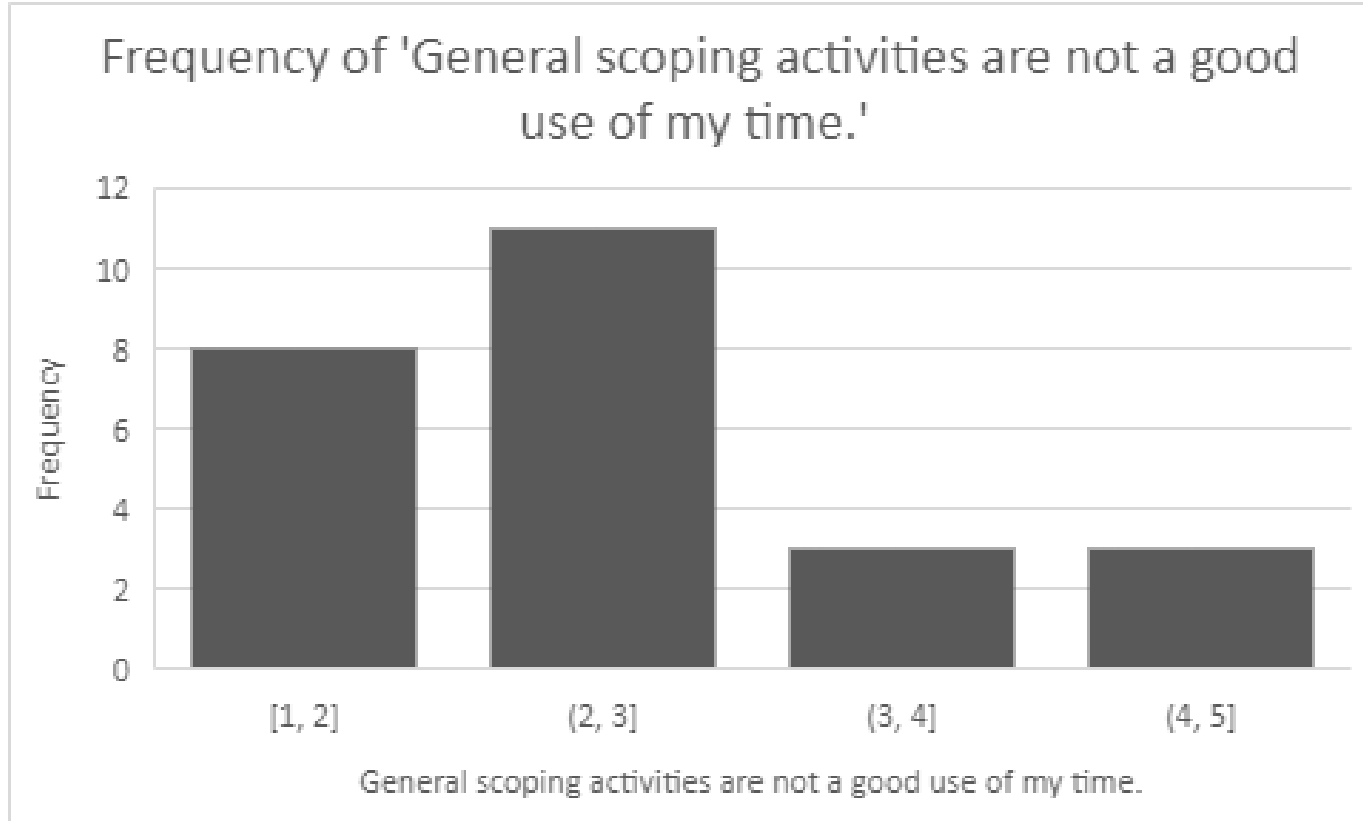
I'd like to be engaged on topics relevant to my specific organisation's work - **76% rated between "4-5" for this question**

I would like to share my views on a given topic with the VCSE Mental Health Alliance and for them to share those views anonymously on my behalf - **39% rated between “4-5” for this question**



I'd like information shared by the VCSE Mental Health Sector to be held by the VCSE MH Alliance so that it can be accessed and built upon in future - **80% rated between “4-5” for this question**

General scoping activities are not a good use of my time - **24% rated between “4-5” for this question**

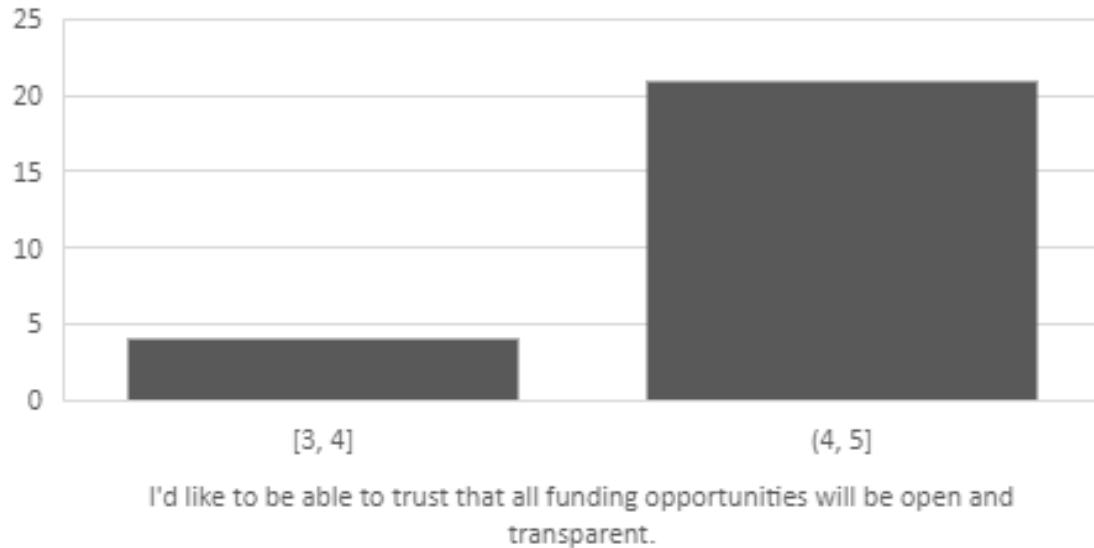


I'd prefer to share my insight with/challenge Local Authorities/NHS teams anonymously so I don't jeopardise funding opportunities - **32% rated between “4-5” for this question**

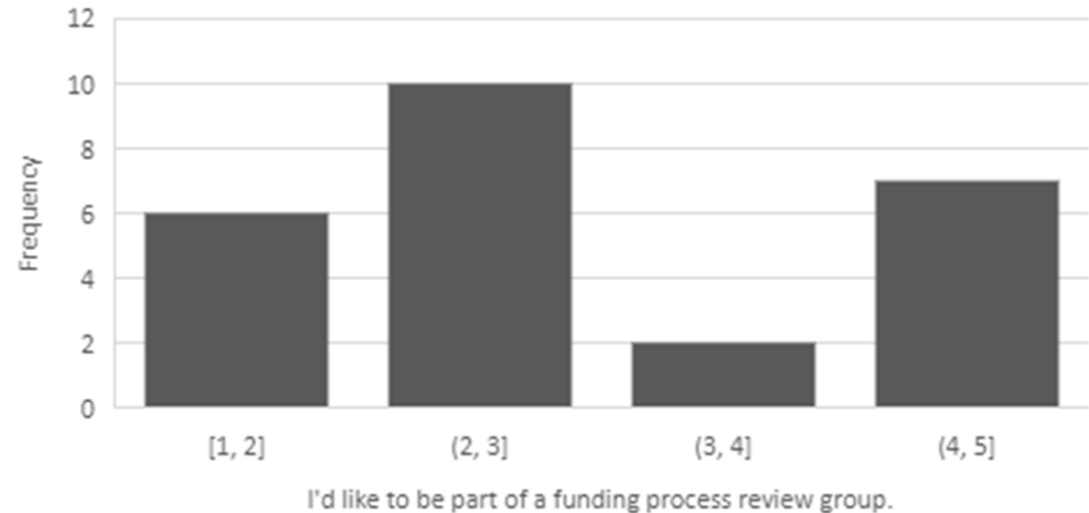
Funding

I'd like to be able to trust that all funding opportunities will be open and transparent - **92% rated between "4-5" for this question**

Frequency of 'I'd like to be able to trust that all funding opportunities will be open and transparent.'



Frequency of 'I'd like to be part of a funding process review group.'



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Networks - VCSE MH Alliance members attend

- Stratford Inclusion Partnership.
- Warwickshire Community Transport group.
- Stour Health and Wellbeing Partnership.
- CWPT Working Together
- Stratford-upon-Avon District Housing Forum.
- working together
- VCSE Leaders network
- PCNs, Rethink mental health transformation
- CMH Transformation Programme Board
- HCP MH Strategic Board
- MH Collaborative Board
- Healthwatch Coventry Steering Group
- Suicide Prevention Steering Group
- Children's centres advisory boards and network meetings

Recommendations for discussion topics...

- How to work closer with social housing providers
- I think that its critical that we are able to leverage our influence to gain some partnership opportunities and commissions from the NHS/LA. It is frustrating how few opportunities there are given the clear deprivation and impact on mental health and opportunities to make a real difference
- How do we get people with mental health problems to attend services (especially post-COVID).
- More integration of MH Alliance in decision making forums, however, will sometime need input and representation from wider system leaders to support
- Primary mental health services