# Workplace Attendance Pulse Survey

31 May 2023



## Overview of the Survey



The Workplace Attendance pulse survey was live for three weeks from 3 - 24 May 2023.



The workplace attendance policy was implemented in January 2023.

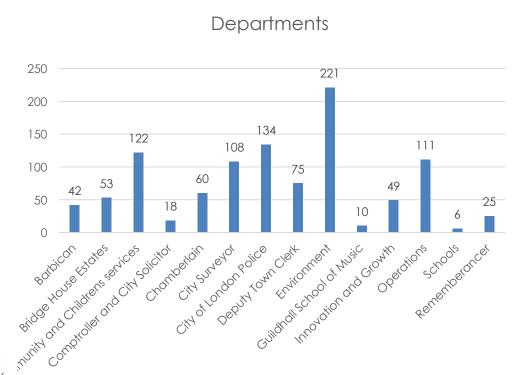


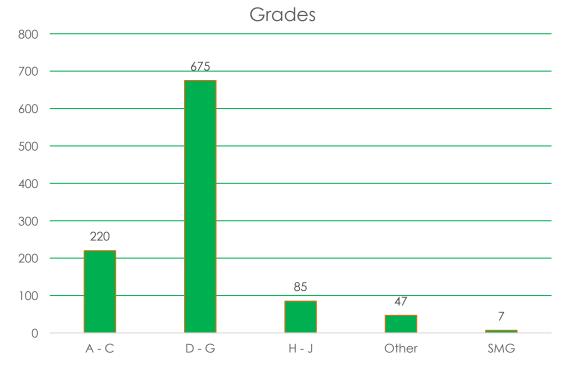
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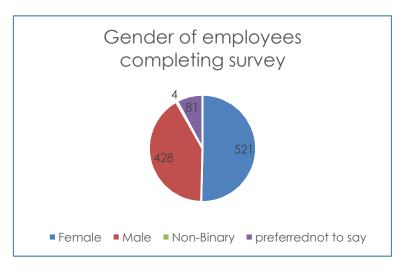
1034 employees completed the survey out of 4004 which which equates to 25% of the organisation

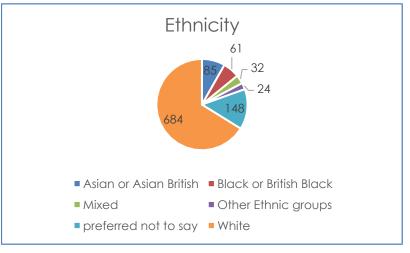


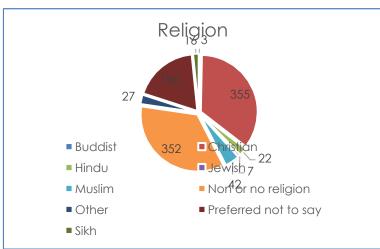


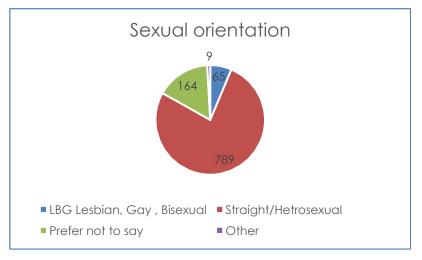


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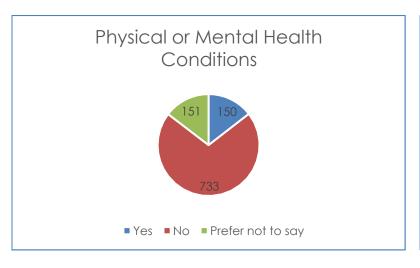




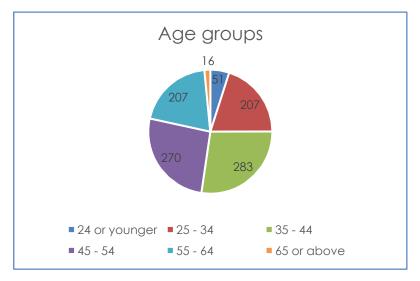


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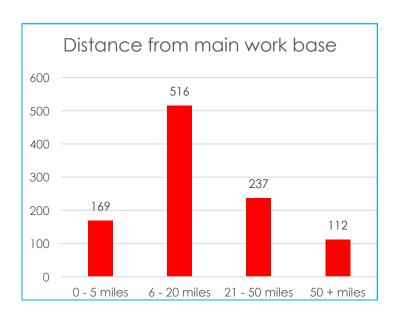
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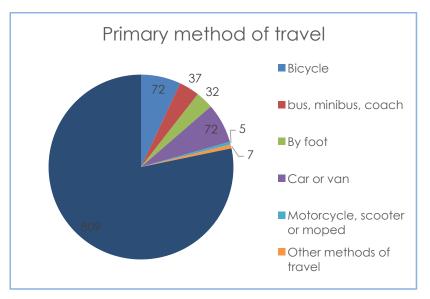


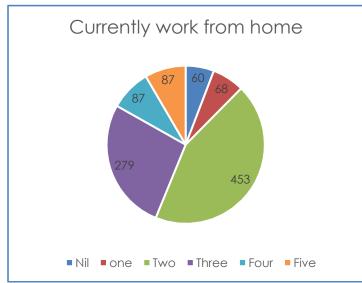


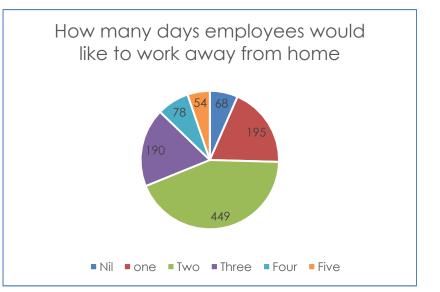






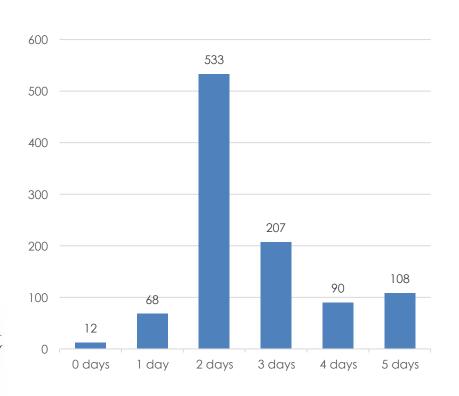






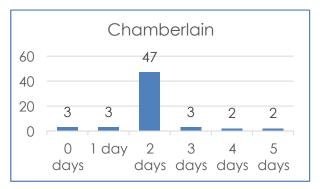
## Working from base site

Most employees work from their base site 2 days a week



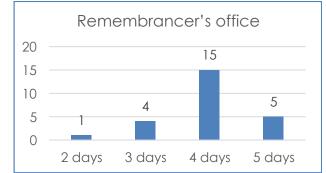
Finding is consistent across grades excluding SMG where 57% work from the office 3 days a week.

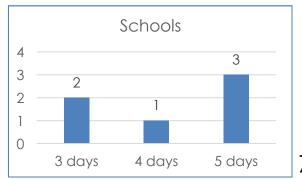
Chamberlains and Operations most commonly work 2 days in the office





Remembrancer's office and School employees work from the office significantly more than other departments





## Understanding the results



The results explained are organisation wide.



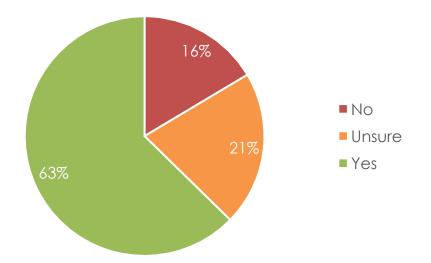
Where there is a significant difference, findings are broken down to reveal institutional and group differences and displayed visually.

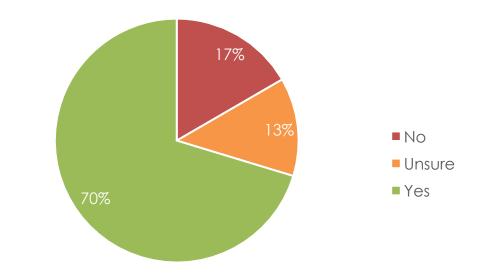


# The new ways of working have helped employees succeed in role

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Have the new ways of working helped you be more efficient at work?



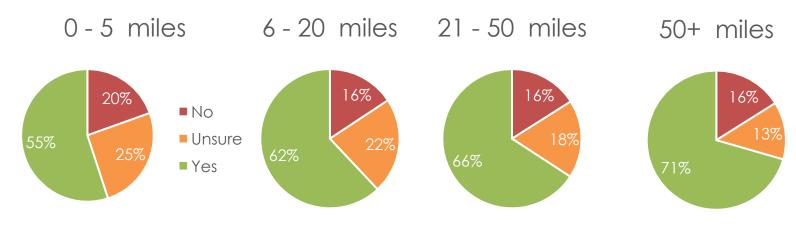




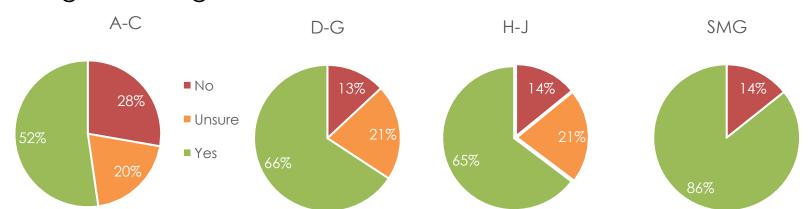
Significant findings from both questions are broken down over the few two slides...

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Trends in responses show the workplace attendance policy favours employees more the further they live away from work:



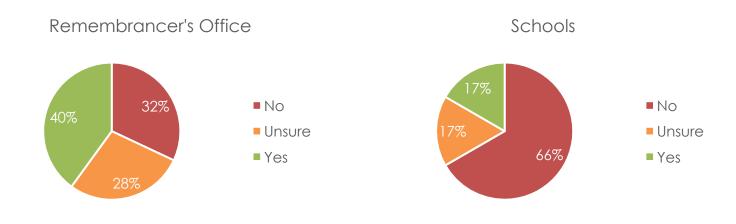
... and the higher their grade





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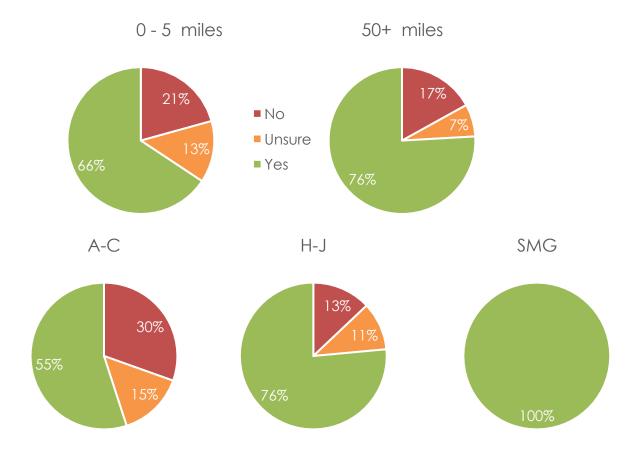
The new ways of working have made the Remembrancer's Office and City of London Schools significantly less likely to meet their work goals. This may be due to less flexibility to begin with but would need to be explored further





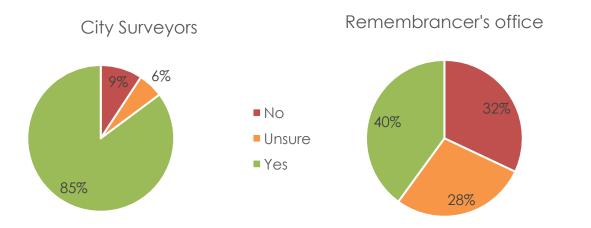
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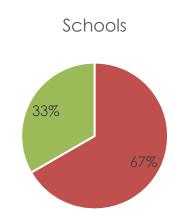
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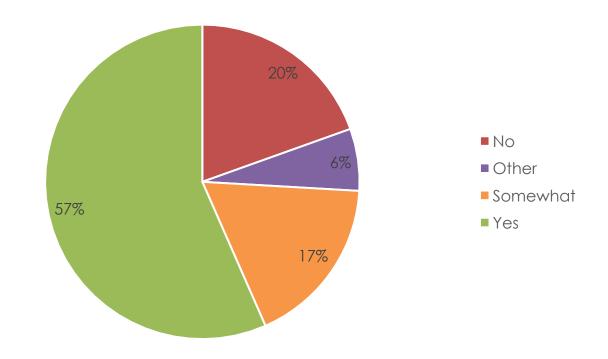


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## Work life balance improved?

The current workplace attendance policy has improved the work life balance of 57% of respondents

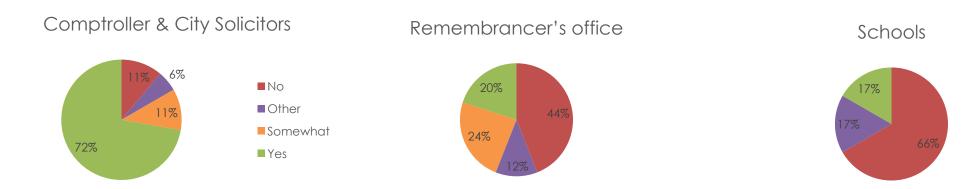




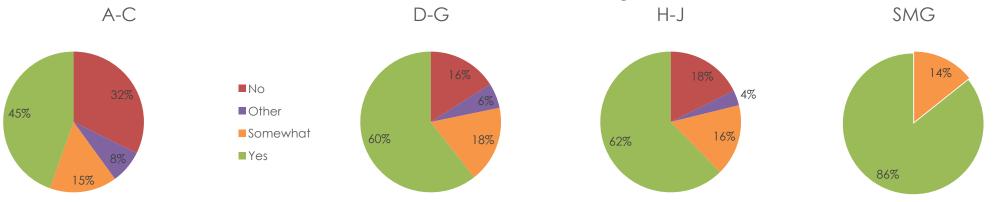


## Work life balance improved?

 Comptroller & City Solicitors have experience the biggest improvement, while the Remembrancer's Office and Schools have experienced the least improvement



Work life balance effects also increases with grade



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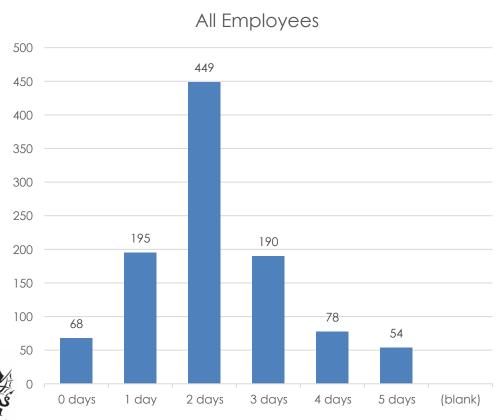


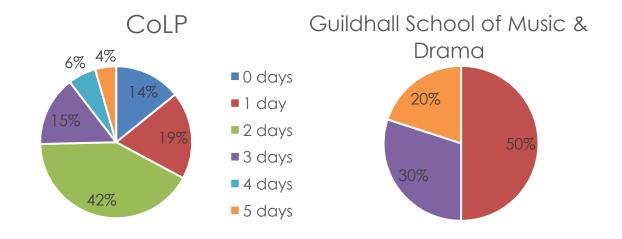
- Respondents who answered 'yes' or 'no' to this question did not specify further. All comments are from the 'other' category:
- For most, the policy hasn't changed their current work life balance as they are either a new employee or their office and home days have remained the same or fairly similar.
- The policy seems to however had negative effects to the work life balance of employees on flexible working contacts by changing their routine in cases.

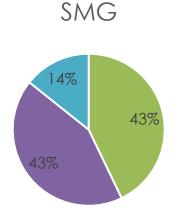
Full comments in appendix A

## Workplace attendance preference

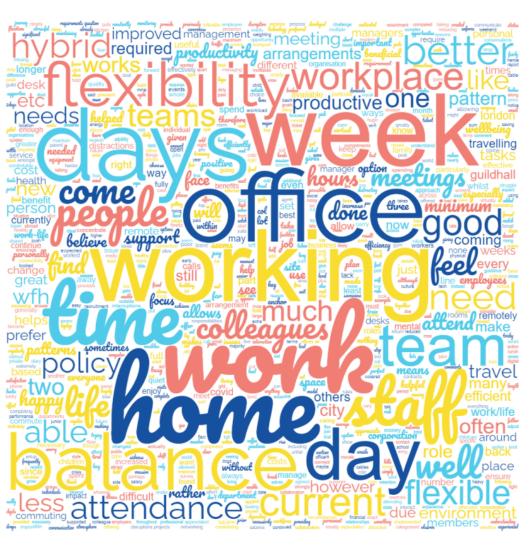
43% of respondents would prefer to work away from home an average of 2 days a week







# What are your thoughts about working patterns or the workplace attendance policy



- Majority of comments were happy with the current workplace attendance policy
- However, many felt the policy needed more flexibility where justified
- The new policy has increased the productivity on home working days creating a better balance for hybrid employees



Full comments in appendix B

### What do these results tell us?



On right track with current workplace attendance policy



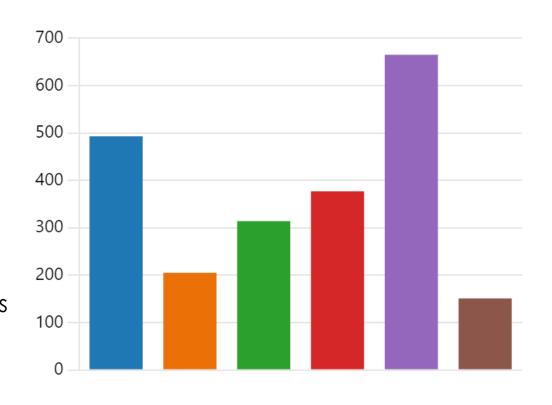
To ensure success and happiness of employees in role, rather than adjusting the workplace policy, efforts should focus on increasing social connectivity through other methods ....



# What can the City of London do to improve work related social connectivity and development of professional working relationships?



- Virtual Huddles
- Meet the Leadership Team
  Breakfast/Lunch Events
- Employee Networking Events
- Team away/Development Days
- Other





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- In response to professional development, comments asked for team building days with an allocated budget to support teams
- Majority of comments reference team social/away days with a key ask for these to be non-work related.
- Comments revealed there is backing for anchor days, but opinion is that they should be on a fortnightly or monthly basis rather than weekly.
- Other comments focused on the working environment and how improvements to office spaces (more desks, reliable internet connection etc.) can support social connectivity.

Full comments in appendix C



# How can the City of London support your professional development and progression?

Bitesize Learning

Extend E-Learning Offering

Leading Teams working in a hybrid environment

Other





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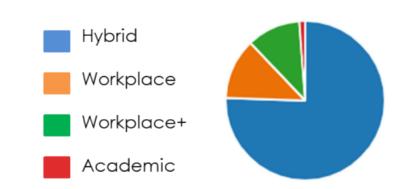
- Provide/protected time in working week for learning.
- Provide more certified external courses.
- Provide more face to face training.
- Provide bitesize E-learning modules which have specific relevance to areas across City Corporation (e.g. Finance)

Full comments in appendix D

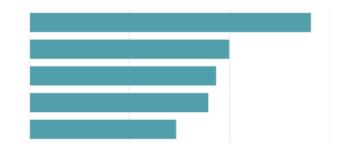
## How teams are staying connected

Most managers manage hybrid teams





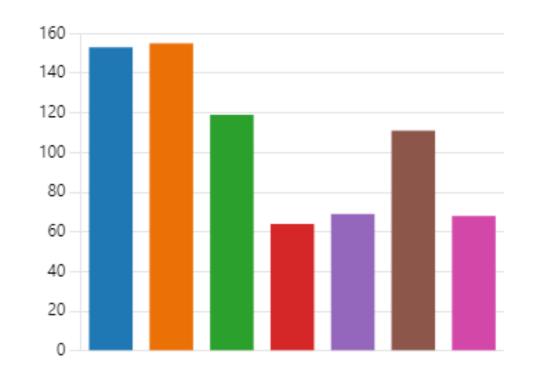
- 1 Regular 1:1 and team check ins
- 2 Face to Face Team Meetings
- 3 Utilising Teams channel
- 4 Virtual Team Meetings
- 5 Team Anchor Days





# What are the challenging aspects of managing a Hybrid team for you?

- Onboarding new colleagues
- Getting to know and meet new colleagues
- Connecting with other departments
- Performance Management of your team
- Individual Performance Management
- Managing wellbeing of your team
- Other





# What are the challenging aspects of managing a Hybrid team for you?



- Most managers report little to no challenges managing a hybrid team
- Hybrid meetings have sometimes been challenging to arrange. Some prefer all in person or all Teams' meetings only.
- Office days can be a challenge either due to team members not coming in or managers needing to be in more frequently than outlined by the workplace policy to give face-to-face presence when supporting their teams.
- Training new team members especially in a hybrid fashion is challenging.

## Appendices

- Appendix A
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