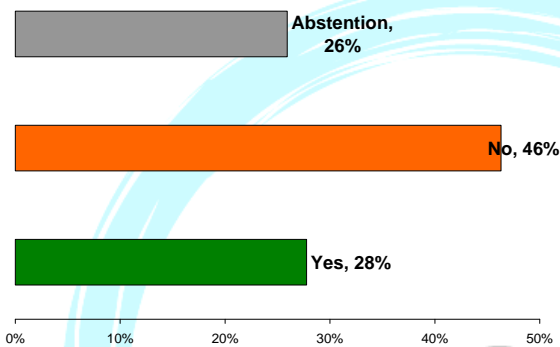


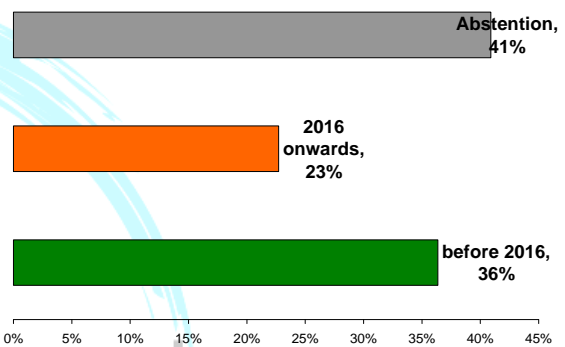
GHA Winterval Debate Results

| <u>Questions and responses regarding Zero Carbon definitions:</u> | |
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| 1. "Is the existing definition of zero carbon workable?" | An overwhelming 98% of delegates voted <u>NO!</u> |
| The response was almost as unequivocal when asked: | |
| 2. "Should the new definition include a requirement for on-site renewables?" | Interestingly - not one delegate voted yes, but <u>80% voted no</u> , and 20% abstained..... |

3. Attendees were more undecided about....
 "Is zero carbon for new homes the right target?"



4. The question "should we aim for all new homes to be zero carbon before 2016 or from 2016 onwards" drew many abstentions, presumably those who said "no" to question 3:

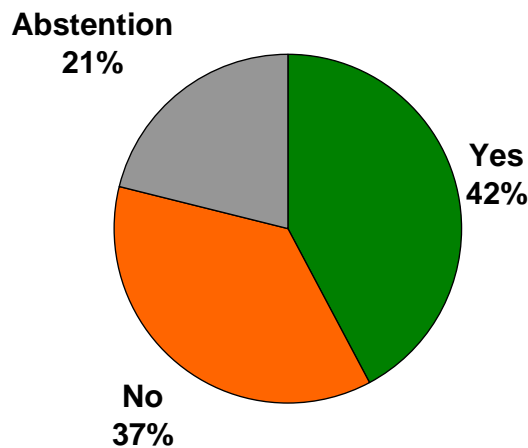


Questions and responses regarding Policy and Practice

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| 5. "Is the policy framework correct for delivery of all new homes to be zero carbon from 2016 onwards?" | 93% said <u>NO!</u> (the remaining 7% abstained..) |
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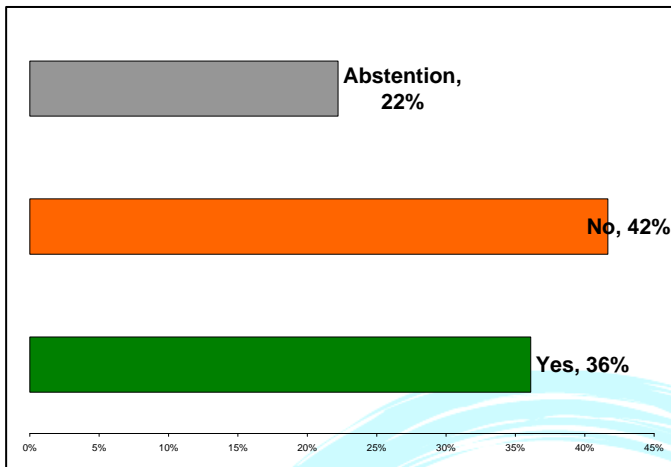
6. However, delegates were undecided about "Are housing developers technically capable of delivering all new homes to zero carbon standards from 2016 onwards".

Only 42% thought they were:

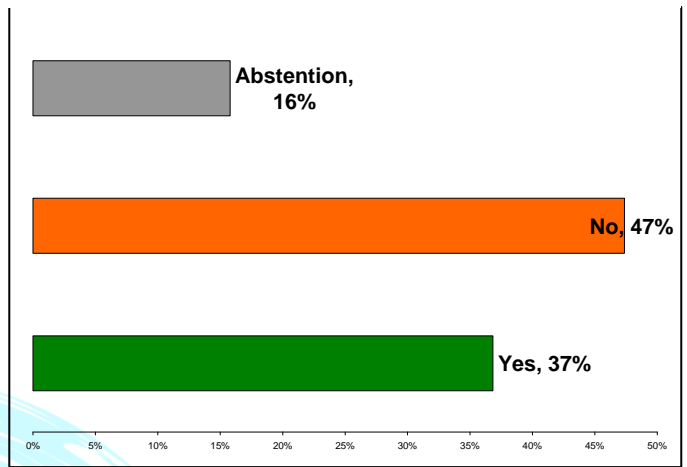


Regarding Costs, results were rather mixed

7. Will consumers pay for zero carbon new homes?



8. Can we afford to deliver all new homes to zero carbon from 2016 onwards?

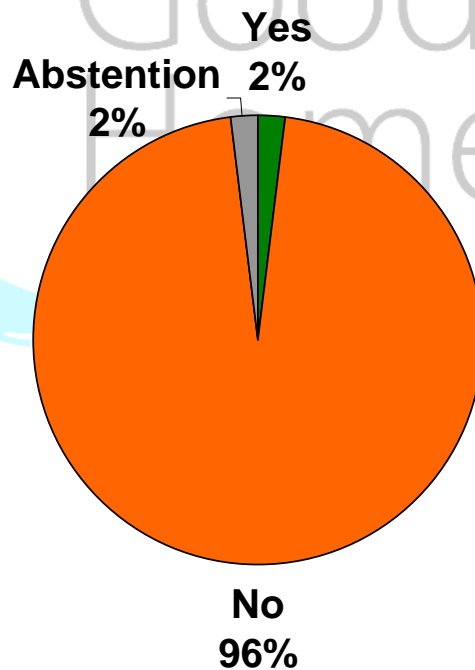


And finally... Questions from the floor:

9. On the question "is the focus on zero carbon diverting us from other sustainability wins (e.g. FSC Timber)", 62% of attendees thought yes (24% disagreed, and 14% abstained)

10. And there was a general consensus regarding the importance of new housing in addition to existing stock:

"Should we be focussing all our efforts on existing stock?"



**What do you think...?
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