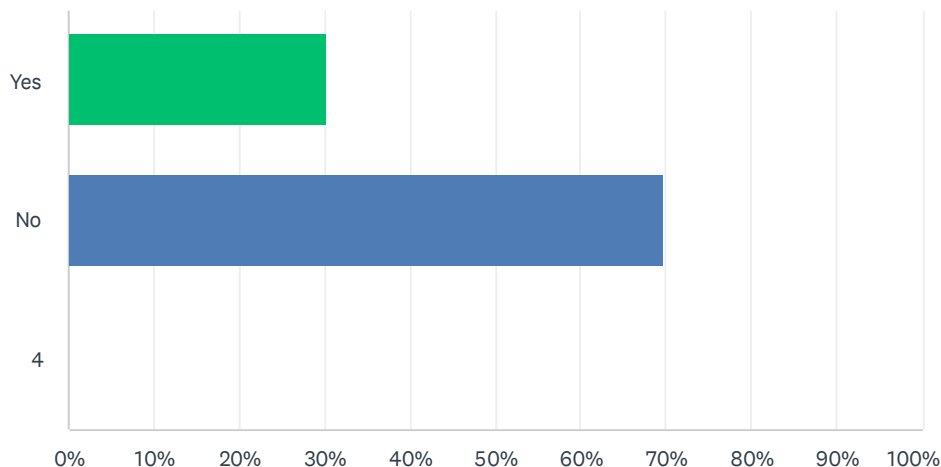


Q1 Do you consider it to be a priority to change the current regulatory system?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	30.30%	80
No	69.70%	184
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TOTAL		264

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1	I think that there are more pressing priorities, such as ensuring that "improvements" in standing are actually beneficial to all members of the profession.	6/26/2023 1:33 PM
2	The regulatory landscape remains similar to when CLR was set up and changing the current system seems premature.	6/26/2023 12:02 PM
3	1.The Regulators must be approved by the registered members of CILEX. They must include in the committee of Regulators annually elected representatives from CILEX membership. 2.CILEX must also have consultation with European Union bodies representing progressive lawyers like CILEX. 3. The CILEX Regulatory body must be accessible to all members; to assist by personal conduct any problems affecting firms of individual member. It must move away as much as possible from the SRA system. A large number of small firms, previously SRA regulated, are looking forward to join CILEX.	6/25/2023 2:48 PM
4	CRL cover all the requirements for specialist regulation for CILEx Lawyers, Practitioners and Entities. I am very satisfied with CRL as my regulator and do not require a change.	6/22/2023 9:25 PM
5	Need greater transparency and more frequent interaction with those who are being regulated Need better evidence that the status, practice rights and support of practitioners is a priority	6/22/2023 4:53 PM
6	The revised education standards, which incorporate becoming a Chartered Legal Executive with the right to practise in an area of specialism, will lead to an increase in the number of regulated individuals. A change to the current regulatory system would bring uncertainty for those wishing to qualify as a CILEX Practitioner. The projected growth of the regulated profession would be slowed.	6/22/2023 12:39 PM

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7	Not particularly. However, CILEx and the regulator falling out recently seemed very unprofessional and made a lot of CILEx members feel there is no security.	6/21/2023 10:10 AM
8		6/20/2023 9:37 PM
9	The whole practice rights needs to be sorted properly. It is ridiculous that CILEX requirement me to do an exam or another portfolio when CLC has just given me them. This has also happened to a lot of people in my area. CILEX will start dying and become nothing of this is not sorted	6/20/2023 3:48 PM
10	I do not have any sense that there is a pressing problem to solve. On the other hand, I am wary of any disruption to the status quo that could lead to the diminishment of CILEx fellows as professionals in their own right.	6/20/2023 1:52 PM
11	It some ways it's too lengthy a process to become a fellow and is a bit unfit for purpose. Many have a low view of our representative, unfairly so, as some are discouraged by the paperwork. We also need to do more to clarify those more included to advocate experiences can become fellows and not just paralegals.	6/20/2023 1:42 PM
12	Less division between people based on their route to qualification	6/20/2023 1:41 PM
13	I honestly believe there is no reason to change the current regulator CILEx regulation in my experience does a great job, especially not to the SRA whom are already dreadfully slow and overburdened. CILEx's approach compared to the SRA's in most matters is usually much fairer and less biased - changing to SRA regulation would be awful! I do feel CILEx members need greater recognition and more needs to be doen to ensure we are on an even stand.	6/19/2023 1:07 PM
14		6/19/2023 12:26 PM
15	I believe there are other more pressing issues to address.	6/19/2023 9:35 AM
16	I qualified back in 2002 and for as long as I remember it has always been a valuable plus factor to have a close affinity with our own regulatory body.	6/19/2023 7:54 AM
17	Confusion over how CILEx Lawyers should call themselves Greater practising rights for CILEx Lawyers.	6/16/2023 6:19 PM
18		6/16/2023 4:23 PM
19	I believe the issues surrounding our practice rights and CPQ are more pressing as more junior colleagues are moving across to the SQE due to the uncertainty surrounding CPQ	6/16/2023 12:43 PM
20	The current system whilst not perfect is working. The proposals to change stem from working frustrations and not regulatory need.	6/16/2023 8:38 AM
21	It is currently working	6/15/2023 9:13 PM
22	Makes no sense having more than one system	6/15/2023 7:34 PM
23	Based on the webinar today and the communications in the last year - the CILEX regulator is out of date, not in touch with the population and a massive contributor to the breakdown in relationship with CILEX. The restrictions for those of us studying are because of the battle lines between CILEX and the regulator - and there is a massive population who are now trapped between changing qualifications and requirements. The Regulator has not done anything to hear from and or accommodate these populations.	6/15/2023 1:31 PM
24	see previously answered survey	6/15/2023 1:14 PM
25	I do not wish to be governed by the SRA I wish to be governed by a body that has only interest in CILEX lawyers	6/15/2023 12:43 PM
26	It does not appear to be broken as is but interested to see SRA proposals before really deciding	6/15/2023 12:40 PM
27	The current system in perfectly adequate	6/14/2023 3:40 PM
28	I do not consider there to be any particular issues with the current regulatory system nor any reason to change this - the inevitable disruption arising from any such changes is unlikely to be countered by any practical benefit to members.	6/14/2023 2:35 PM

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29	The current regulatory system appears to work successfully although like any regulatory body needs to be reviewed, updated and work to the benefit of those being regulated.	6/14/2023 11:59 AM
30	Not if the relationship between Cilex and Cilex Regulation can be repaired. Cilex Regulation seem to have done a good job, but the breakdown in the relationship between Cilex and Cilex Regulation is is embarrassing, and harmful to our profession.	6/14/2023 10:57 AM
31	I personally don't see an issue with the current system.	6/13/2023 11:12 PM
32	At the moment we are paying a high annual membership fee, but we have not moved very far forward in evolving and becoming an alternative to the traditional solicitor route and so we are still very much seen as on a lower level in terms of pay levels and in recruitment for better roles. Every day you see advertisements requiring qualified solicitors and it is rare to see a job role that specifically requires a CILEX lawyer or sees that as a viable option. It still feels like we are a long way off where CILEX needs to be in terms of promoting itself and giving its members viable opportunities to have successful careers on a level with the traditional route of solicitors.	6/13/2023 1:18 PM
33	I am quite happy with the current system & CRL.	6/13/2023 1:01 PM
34	Too complicated to qualify and people outside of CILEx do not understand how it works. CRL need to do more to help members in their professional and career development to ensure that we are treated with respect. A move to the SRA would allow the snobbery of solicitors to disappear as we are all under the same roof	6/13/2023 12:58 PM
35	I think an overhaul is needed. Although I do not believe being regulated by the SRA will be the best option	6/13/2023 12:56 PM
36	I think that it is very important for Legal Executives to retain a separate regulator	6/13/2023 12:31 PM
37	I'm not sure what has happened to CILEX in recent years to be honest. The whole change to Fellows losing a lot of their rights, the new exams which give you practice rights yet fellows with many year's experience have no practice rights and have to pay over £400 to get practice rights. It's a complete mockery at the moment.	6/12/2023 9:32 PM
38	See below	6/12/2023 8:22 PM
39	Fairness would require that a person is regulated based on evidence of past legal practice work in his or her field expertise such as employment or immigration law. There are many lawyers with proven legal practice experience and track record of achievement as well as as successful record of outcomes for their clients/ consumers. But being out of work due to unforeseen life issues such as ill health for a long period of time .And the current model which requires proven ongoing legal employment in a firm, I believe it to be a barrier for many experienced and aspiring lawyers who have been out of work, for example, due to mental ill health issues. I believe that that past legal practice work experience is considered rather than current on going legal work experience totaling 240hrs as it seems to be a barrier for many.	6/11/2023 4:03 PM
40	It is really important to open up the legal profession. Specially qualifying as a practising barrister is a bar for most. Although many have of them have right set of skills to be a practising barrister. It is a utter misfortune for many those who invested time and many but ended up with no where to go. Apparently the bar course is a money generating business for universities and only good for few fortunate ones.	6/10/2023 2:21 PM
41	Cilex members need better representation	6/9/2023 11:29 PM
42	The current regulatory system is accessible and supportive	6/9/2023 1:51 PM
43	There needs to be a clear divide between CILEX and CILEX Regulation. It is difficult at present to establish just who I am answerable to as a member of CILEX approaching fellowship, as until making my application for fellowship, i was unaware that CILEX regulation had their own website and additional information. This needs to be made clearer to members. Also the current infighting between CILEX and CILEX regulation is frankly embarrassing to read about as a member.	6/9/2023 9:30 AM
44	It is inconsistent and far behind other regulatory systems. Cilex members remain at a disadvantage with too many hoops to jump through and this will continue, coupled with many leaving Cilex and re-qualifying elsewhere to continue to practice.	6/9/2023 8:52 AM
45	Needs to be streamlined more and in plain english to be easily understood.	6/9/2023 7:38 AM

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46	I have not kept up with the news on the current regulatory system.	6/8/2023 11:00 AM
47	CILEX lawyers should be afforded the same credibility as solicitors	6/8/2023 10:05 AM
48	Cilex regulation works well and we should maintain a seperate regulator as a seperate body from solicitors. other wise you may as well have CILEX itself become part of the Law Society and all under SRA umbrella. I dont think that would encourage the wider backgrounds in the law that CILEX brings, but that also requires a specific regulator that understands that cohort and the issues for them.	6/8/2023 9:19 AM
49	I think CILEX is fit for purpose as it is	6/7/2023 10:56 PM
50	IT HAS A CLEAR PLACE NOW THAT THOSE IN THE LEGAL PROFESSION UNDERSTAND	6/7/2023 7:51 PM
51	I don't know as I am not sure what this means and what it does - I am not sure of the difference between the old system and the newly proposed system.	6/7/2023 10:34 AM
52	I don't see any reason to fall in line with the much maligned SRA.	6/7/2023 10:32 AM
53	Current system seems to be sufficient	6/7/2023 10:05 AM
54	I believe a changed to the SRA will help CILEx professionals to receive greater respect and equal treatment to Solicitors	6/5/2023 8:27 PM
55	It makes it complicated for both legal practitioners and members of the public to know who practitioners are regulated by when you have so many regulators, and what the rules are when each regulator has their own separate rules. There should really be one regulator which different experts (made up of all the current regulatory staff) within them to deal with profession-specific issues (e.g. a bar team, a solicitor team, a CILEX team, etc.)	6/5/2023 10:13 AM
56	It needs to change and start supporting its long standing members	6/5/2023 6:18 AM
57	Not from the perspective of merging regulators. I believe that CRL are working extremely well as regulators and having the choice of regulators is good for the sector. If the change in the regulatory system was to allow people true freedom to choose who regulated them my answer would be yes. If the question was about modernising regulators from being punishing to supportive and assisting again my answer would be yet	6/1/2023 12:52 PM
58	The sector needs to be consolidated.	6/1/2023 8:48 AM
59	I consider the current regulatory system is suitable for our needs as CILEx practitioners.	5/30/2023 1:51 PM
60	I believe CILEX should have its own regulator, as it's more understanding of their learners and combining to the SRA is wrong	5/29/2023 5:43 PM
61	I feel it would make sense to be under the same regulating body as that if solicitors	5/27/2023 9:38 PM
62	I don't think any form of differential treatment for CILEX lawyers is good for CILEX lawyers. Currently, we're required to use an email signoff which differentiates us. If we become SRA regulated, I hope this will negate the need to do this.	5/27/2023 1:53 PM
63	Only if it is likely to make manifest positive changes to the regulated members' working environment. By positive changes I mean being treated equally with other lawyers in the work place and, being given the same rights to do things.	5/26/2023 6:43 PM
64	I believe cilex regulation are regarded widely as being significantly better than the SRA.	5/26/2023 10:30 AM
65	Cilex qualified lawyers are still seen as second best to solicitors. If The Law society regulated us it would help our reputation	5/25/2023 9:34 PM
66	I have been a regulated member of ILEX before it was CILEX and the outline at my level is the same.	5/25/2023 7:10 PM
67	There is a clear difference between barristers, solicitors and legal executives. Admittedly the lines between solicitors and legal executives are blurrier, but it is not immediately clear what is a particular blocker, or what is evidence for those of us in the profession that is causing the issue between silex and the regulator at the moment in Time.	5/25/2023 3:57 PM
68		5/25/2023 3:27 PM

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69	It's not broken, so don't try and fix it.	5/25/2023 2:28 PM
70	I feel the priority is to ensure equality between solicitors and legal executives. If the regulatory system allows this, then the answer can be changed.	5/25/2023 2:28 PM
71	Existing regulation appears to be continuing fine.	5/25/2023 2:23 PM
72	In consideration of the general finding (15) of the Legal Services Board Investigation report dated 18 April 2013 concluded that there has been a breakdown in transparent, open and professional communication between CILEX and CRL in circumstances where regulators and their regulatory bodies should work effectively to secure shared objectives as per s1 of the Legal Services Act 2007	5/25/2023 2:12 PM
73	We need an independent and modern system of regulation that enhances and is beneficial for our members	5/25/2023 1:25 PM
74	Current system works.	5/25/2023 11:25 AM
75	Cilex regulation seems, to me, to be trying to regulate a number of different professionals, including accountants, and an innumerable number of different types of Cilex members. Utterly confusing.	5/25/2023 11:21 AM
76	I have been a fellow since 2003 and apart from submitting my yearly conduct and CPD details, I do no really know what CRL do for us as members. Example, is there anywhere to ask questions if you are not sure, are their model docs anywhere, is there a do and don't in one place.	5/25/2023 10:56 AM
77	The current system and regulation works well enough.	5/25/2023 10:52 AM
78	I think there are other things that Cilex should be prioritising	5/25/2023 10:37 AM
79	I feel the current regulatory system works well.	5/25/2023 10:32 AM
80	There are lots of changes you are making in terms of fellows and how we have to do advocacy training or portfolios. I think what you need to focus on is how to get your members parity and not on just charging them constantly	5/25/2023 10:30 AM
81	CRL is performing its role and I do not see the need for change.	5/25/2023 10:30 AM
82	I feel working for a firm regulated by the SRA, they are not at all supporting of lawyers.	5/25/2023 10:30 AM
83		5/25/2023 10:18 AM
84		5/25/2023 10:16 AM
85	I believe this will give Cilex Lawyers the regonition that they are seen as an equal to Solicitors	5/25/2023 10:14 AM
86		5/25/2023 10:11 AM
87	My concern is that the reasons given for the proposed change in regulation relate to matters which can and should be resolved between CILEX and CILEX Regulation. There should be no need to change the regulatory framework as this does not appear to be the source of the issue and the matters in contention are capable of settlement between the two organisations	5/25/2023 10:09 AM
88	Don't try and fix something that isn't broken	5/24/2023 9:06 PM
89		5/24/2023 9:27 AM
90		5/24/2023 8:53 AM

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91	Sorry but this is an awful question. Which system do you mean? CILEx/CRL or the legal profession as a whole? And either way, this is not a binary question and it is worrying that decisions might be made on the back of unqualifiable Yes or NO answers	5/22/2023 4:40 PM
92	Your focus should be on enhancing the reputation of cilex lawyers who are so often views as second class citizens	5/21/2023 7:40 PM
93	I believe the current system of regulation works perfectly well.	5/19/2023 9:32 AM
94	I do not think the proposed change would be a step forward and I have not seen a convincing argument for change.	5/18/2023 8:30 PM
95	It has been ok as it is. We are a separate entity.	5/18/2023 3:03 PM
96	I don't think there is any issue with the current regulation, but if a change is needed we need transparency and understanding of what the change will bring to the members and ensure that it's no less than what we already get.	5/18/2023 9:52 AM
97	Appears to work fine	5/17/2023 4:42 PM
98		5/17/2023 10:20 AM
99	CRL is a more modern and business focussed regulator, and most CILEx professionals do not want to be regulated by the SRA which is an antiquated model in desperate need of modernisation.	5/17/2023 9:53 AM
100	It's clearly not broken, other than egos on both sides. Let's focus on building CILEX as serious lawyers rather than bickering away in public.	5/17/2023 6:39 AM
101	It is wholly unnecessary.	5/16/2023 10:31 PM
102	For far too long Cilex practitioners have been considered less worthy so being regulated under one body just as other lawyers would remove some of the stigma associated with cilex practioners.	5/16/2023 9:08 PM
103	There no evidence that CILEX Regulation is failing to perform its function and the alternatives would seem to be less effective and unlikely to be supported by most members	5/16/2023 7:52 PM
104	It is a case of "if it ain't broke don't fix it" and even if there are drawbacks to the current arrangement they do not merit a change as a "priority". Furthermore if the alternative is the SRA then this presents as a rather unattractive option.	5/16/2023 6:03 PM
105	The current system is to arduous to set up and it puts off many practitioners from pursuing. Additionally it is far too costly.	5/16/2023 5:43 PM
106	The system works. There is no reason to change it.	5/16/2023 3:10 PM
107	The priority needs to be specialist support for Chartered Legal Execs, not further assisting the monopoly that is the SRA.	5/16/2023 1:57 PM
108	Current system meets the needs of CILEX whilst remaining independent.	5/16/2023 1:38 PM
109	Most public trust upon SRA regulation and is not aware about Cilex Regulation	5/16/2023 1:13 PM
110	The regulatory system works.	5/16/2023 12:39 PM
111	The system appears to work well. I cannot see why a change is required	5/16/2023 9:47 AM
112	It's fine as it is. i don't understand the need for change.	5/16/2023 9:46 AM
113	If it's not broken	5/16/2023 9:41 AM
114	Cilex should be concentrating on giving more information to members of all grades in connection with the changes to regulations from Government. Working in a Solicitors office regulated by the SRA and knowing the Solicitors views of the SRA. I prefer to stay	5/16/2023 9:35 AM
115	It is unclear what benefit there is to be regulated by the SRA.	5/16/2023 9:20 AM
116		5/16/2023 8:54 AM

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117	Believe this will not be of benefit to CILEx members. We have come so far in the last 15 years and the in house fighting us undermine our professionalism.	5/16/2023 8:49 AM
118	I have been given no good justification by CILEX why our regulatory system should change or why being regulated by the SRA would change anything	5/16/2023 7:55 AM
119	It is not a high priority, but there is clearly a need to resolve various issues between cilex and cilex regulation	5/16/2023 7:36 AM
120		5/16/2023 12:58 AM
121	The current system is remote and seems disconnected and I feel as a fellow near to being disenfranchised. The ridiculousness of having to apply for practice rights is insulting and the cost of two fees annually is so off-putting - the current fees had I obtained practice rights would be far higher than it is for solitons and fellows are just not represented well enough by either CILEX or CRL in my view.	5/15/2023 10:54 PM
122	I am happy with what we have and do not want to be regulated by the SRA thank you very much! We are better as we are than the solicitors who can be persecuted by the expensive lawyers the SRA use. This civil war is embarrassing and should stop.	5/15/2023 10:16 PM
123	I don't understand what is wrong with present system.	5/15/2023 9:58 PM
124	Whilst I think there are problems with the current set up I think this will get worse if we are regulated by the SRA	5/15/2023 8:23 PM
125	Personally I haven't noticed any issues with regulation that's not to say there isn't a case or need for change however	5/15/2023 7:57 PM
126	No idea why it needs changing.	5/15/2023 5:11 PM
127	I have never experienced an issue with the current regulatory system, why fix what is not broken.	5/15/2023 5:01 PM
128	No issues with regulatory system as it is. If it was to be changed the SRA would be my last choice not first	5/15/2023 4:36 PM
129	I am happy with present system. See reply to Q2 below	5/15/2023 4:22 PM
130	I think CILEX finances would be better invested in raising the profile of CILEX Lawyers at all levels including with the general public.	5/15/2023 4:09 PM
131	I am not opposed to changing it, but it is not a priority for me.	5/15/2023 2:53 PM
132	The current system is simply unfit for purpose. less accountability for their own failure and inability to deal with applications or even to adequately regulate the profession. this leads to frustration and untrust.	5/15/2023 2:43 PM
133	Seems fine to me as things stand although I do feel we have double the regulation than solicitors because when you work for a solicitors law firm as I do, the SRA does still oversee your work anyway.	5/15/2023 2:38 PM
134		5/15/2023 2:36 PM
135	The current system works well and there is no clear need for change.	5/15/2023 2:34 PM
136	The current system is fine	5/15/2023 2:24 PM
137		5/15/2023 2:12 PM
138	If it isn't broke....	5/15/2023 2:05 PM
139	I have not been provided with anything to suggest it is a priority by CILEx and cannot, therefore, consider it to be a priority.	5/15/2023 2:01 PM
140	I am happy to be regulated by CRL as a specialist independent regulator because CRL places	5/15/2023 1:57 PM

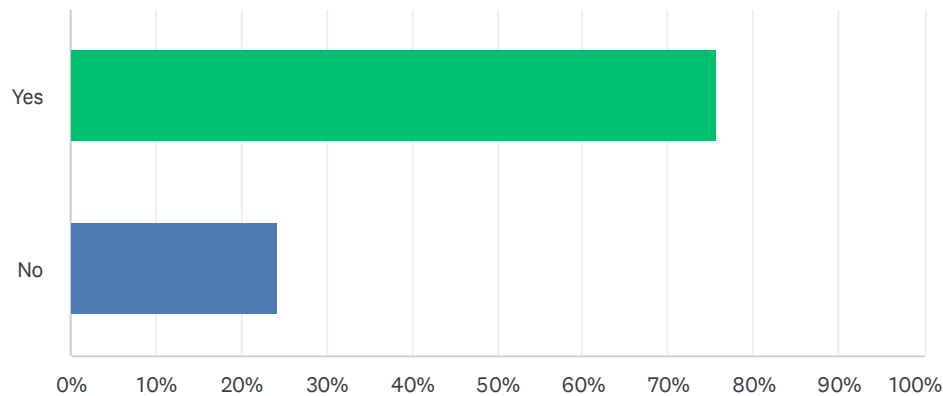
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its focus on its regulated community in a holistic and helpful way, rather than a penal manner. CILEx lawyers are different from solicitors and the CRL model of regulation recognises this uniqueness. It supports diversity in the legal profession by regulation of specialist CILEx professionals.

141	CILEx themselves seem clueless about regulation and feel that the SRA will do a better job when their members continually moan about their standards. CRL expect a good standard from firm's and individuals and are proactive. Having said that, it would be a fool not to take advantage of this opportunity to review the process and standards.	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
142	I am satisfied with CILEx Regulation.	5/15/2023 1:38 PM
143	It would be better to have a 3rd option as an answer here. If the same assists CILEX lawyers, CILEX and CILEX Regulation in development, ability to practice, to be "stand-alone" and recognised for the value that CILEX lawyers offer, then the answer is yes. If there is no significant or derivable benefit, then no. Fluidity and the ability to change in this profession is important.	5/15/2023 1:32 PM
144	To put us on a more level planning field as Solicitors	5/15/2023 1:30 PM
145	At the moment it is very difficulty for Fellows to set up their own business and some fellows are more experienced than newly qualified solicitors	5/15/2023 1:24 PM
146	I believe the alternative suggested system of having the SRA regulate both solicitors and CILEX Fellows is more appropriate to ensure they are viewed as parity professions.	5/15/2023 1:23 PM
147	CILEx itself is not fit for purpose. When CILEx changed members' titles, they killed off all credibility of Fellows etc. Being advised by an 'Advanced Paralegal' certainly doesn't give clients the confidence it would if they instructed a 'Solicitor'. CILEx is unfit to manage or regulate itself or anyone else. The SRA should review and consider all CILEx Members and admit them as solicitors if they meet the requisite competencies. CILEx should then be dissolved. Despite spending 7 years to 'qualify' with CILEx, because of the disorganisation and mayhem, I am being forced to now also do the SQE at significant cost just to be recognised as anything but a laughing stock amongst my peers.	5/15/2023 1:22 PM
148		5/15/2023 1:21 PM
149	the regulatory framework is working well as it stands	5/15/2023 1:04 PM

Q2 Do you believe that the CILEX profession is enhanced by having its own regulator focused on the profession's unique place in the delivery of legal services?

Answered: 264 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	75.76%	200
No	24.24%	64
TOTAL		264

#	PLEASE GIVE REASONS	DATE
1	I don't feel strongly either way.	6/26/2023 1:33 PM
2	A separate regulator is suggestive that there are different standards (lesser?) applied to the CILEx profession compared to solicitors or barristers even though similar work is carried out. Regulation should be on the work performed rather than the route into the law.	6/26/2023 12:02 PM
3	CILEX is a unique organisation, it is more diverse, more representative of the progress of the legal profession. It includes a large number of members who would not have become lawyers if not for CILEX. CILEX is open for all. It may be a disaster if CILEX Regulation is dominated by the SRA.	6/25/2023 2:48 PM
4	CILEx Lawyers require a specialist Regulator that understands their diversity. If CILEx Lawyers are merged in with solicitors as they would be under the SRA, they will lose their specialist brand and more likely will dilute the brand to the extent the CILEx Lawyer is at risk of extinction.	6/22/2023 9:25 PM
5	Either it had its own regulator or it becomes part of another of the several regulators for lawyers of England & Wales. Given uphill and past history CILex has had to endure getting the very limited rights for its Fellows, notwithstanding the parity of knowledge and experience they have in relation to other legal professionals, the way they are always having to justify their place in the profession and argue their ability and expertise I foresee a continuation, and possible regress, of them becoming second class practitioners if e.g. they were to 'hook up' with another existing regulator. The existing regulator e.g. SRA or CLC, would give priority to their own practitioners with CILEx professionals following at best a close second or diluted out of existence or subordinated as 'second class'. The situation might be different if there were e.g. One overarching regulator for all lawyers in England & Wales, within the meaning of the Legal Services Act 2007.	6/22/2023 4:53 PM

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6	The CILEX profession is a unique branch of the legal profession. Having its own regulator means the profession benefits from a more focused, effective regulatory model. Going forward, the CILEX profession will benefit from having a regulator that understands the unique contribution made by the profession in the delivery of legal services. That understanding is needed to ensure the profession can develop for the benefit of consumers whilst ensuring consumer interests, and the wider public interest, are protected.	6/22/2023 12:39 PM
7	If anything, all lawyers being regulated by the same regulator ensures parity.	6/21/2023 10:10 AM
8		6/20/2023 9:37 PM
9	See ahice	6/20/2023 3:48 PM
10	Absolutely. I believe it is important that we remain independent and separate. I think that, with it now becoming easier to qualify as a solicitor, CILEx's role as the preferred route into law for those not qualifying via a traditional solicitor training contract could be threatened. I believe CILEx would be best served by doubling down on doing what it already does and remain as distinctive as possible. I gather there was talk of us being regulated by the SRA. To my mind, this would position us as the lesser of the qualifications they supervise and I do not see this as being to the profession's advantage. Whilst I can see some upsides to SRA supervision, I would be concerned that this would play into the view of CILEx fellows as glorified paralegals rather than proper legal professionals.	6/20/2023 1:52 PM
11	It allows up be better positioned as a practical regulator compared to the SRA or BSB.	6/20/2023 1:42 PM
12	CILEx's members are diverse and require their own regulatory body championing them.	6/19/2023 1:07 PM
13	Individual identity.	6/19/2023 9:35 AM
14	My qualification is, perhaps after the birth of my two sons, one of the best life decisions I have made and I constantly remind myself of the value of being a Chartered Legal Executive not only within the legal profession but how it has changed my life, given me confidence and opportunities that I would not have otherwise had. Rather than considering myself to be secondary to a qualified Solicitor, I feel that the path I have taken is unique, as is having its own regulatory body. Why become part of a larger organisation where CILEX Members will not likely be at the forefront of its considerations? CILEX Regulation works hard for its Members - perhaps part of the issues with CILEX being 'secondary to Solicitors' is down to our own organisation periodically raising this as an issue. Personally I have never felt this within the profession, certainly not in the West Country. We should be voicing why we are in fact a better choice of legal professional!	6/19/2023 7:54 AM
15	I would need to be convinced our profession would be further enhanced by being regulated by the SRA and currently do not have any information to reassure me this would be the case	6/16/2023 12:43 PM
16	Each of the legal professions is distinct, so the ethos and approach to regulation should reflect the needs to the profession and even more importantly the public engaging with those professionals. The proposals risk undermining the whole regulatory regime but undermining specialist regulation. The choice of the SRA is particularly troubling as it does not carry the confidence of the solicitors profession in its regulatory activities and the LSB is too timid to challenge the SRA.	6/16/2023 8:38 AM
17	Seen as lower status than solicitor	6/15/2023 7:34 PM
18	According to CILEX staff that I deal with for studying - the regulator is the reason that there is limited information available to students - in particular past papers etc It is also the blocker to people developing their status due to changes that do not appear to have been consulted with the cilex population CILEX qualified people are not treated equally as lawyers qualified through other or traditional routes - Robert Morris today claimed to be surprised at that which is horrifying as this is endemic in the profession.... it really was an example of how out of touch the regulator is.	6/15/2023 1:31 PM
19	see previously answered survey	6/15/2023 1:14 PM
20	Cilex members are a minority in the legal profession and therefore requires its own body	6/15/2023 12:43 PM
21	Our own regulator understands the needs and the workings of CILEX as a profession	6/14/2023 3:40 PM

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22	The purpose of CILEx is to be a separate mechanism/system to the SRA and it is therefore correct for it to have its own regulator, so as to ensure that the regulator has the relevant practical knowledge and specialist understanding of the issues involving members.	6/14/2023 2:35 PM
23	Yes to the extent that having an independent CILEX focused regulator is more likely to focus on the role of CILEX within the legal system, progress and develop that.	6/14/2023 11:59 AM
24	This is unclear. Legal Executives face daily discrimination in their working environments and are often paid less than Solicitors for the same job. Cilex Regulation need to work harder to address that discrimination and champion its roll as a good regulator which upholds the highest of standards, meaning that the consumers and professionals can rely on the quality of the qualification. I don't think SRA regulation will enhance the Cilex profession.	6/14/2023 10:57 AM
25	CILEX have had its own regulator for some time already and as set out above it is still a long way from where it needs to be to be the right choice for members.	6/13/2023 1:18 PM
26	I am proud to be an FCILEx and like to differentiate this from other types of lawyer.	6/13/2023 1:01 PM
27	I believe it is good on paper, but not enough is done to raise awareness of our standing and as a result, it causes uncertainty in the profession and has done for far too long.	6/13/2023 12:58 PM
28	Independence is key for Chartered Legal Executives to survive	6/13/2023 12:56 PM
29	The public still have very little awareness of the existence of Legal Executives, and we are also looked down on within the legal profession as 'lesser' than Solicitors. Having our own regulator means that we have a way of prioritising our unique circumstances and promoting our interests	6/13/2023 12:31 PM
30	CILEX and SQE routes are so similar now there needs to be one overhead	6/12/2023 9:32 PM
31	If to be regulated by SRA, I feel that Legal Executives would be less prominent and "second class"!to Solicitors.	6/12/2023 8:22 PM
32	For the reasons that it would continue to maintain registration of individuals who meet the set required standards and rules for the practice of law including public interest in the diverse and range of specialist lawyers needed in our society.	6/11/2023 4:03 PM
33	Cilex has innovation though CILEX need to upgrade it to the same level as BSB or SRA	6/10/2023 2:21 PM
34	There is still a huge barrier between solicitors and Legal Executives in the workplace with a lot of prejudice that will only be increased if under one regulator	6/9/2023 1:51 PM
35	Yes, However it needs to focus on making Chartered Legal Executives EQUAL to Solicitors (and as a Conveyancer myself equal to licenced conveyancers).	6/9/2023 9:30 AM
36	Unless they are the same as others to truly have Cilex members on the same level as solicitors and other lawyers, this will never work. The unique place is no longer effective. It is too hard and protracted to qualify, if/when you do it's still not enough to carry out the day job. With so many other options available now, Cilex is miles behind.	6/9/2023 8:52 AM
37	CILEX should not be included within the SRA (solicitors regulatory authority). The independence of CILEX represents its members . There will be many grey areas should the merger take place with the SRA.	6/9/2023 7:38 AM
38	As a regulated stand alone body, members have credence in their own right.	6/8/2023 11:00 AM
39	CILEX lawyers should be afforded the same credibility as solicitors	6/8/2023 10:05 AM
40	Legal Execs and Solicitors are a very different group of lawyers in terms of background. Legal execs are more diverse and that required a specific regulator who understands and can support, as well as police, that diverse group.	6/8/2023 9:19 AM
41	CILEX understand their members and have tailored their regulations accordingly	6/7/2023 10:56 PM
42	IT NEEDS TO SIT WITH AND WORK WITH THE OTHER LEGAL REGULATORS BUT IT DOES NOT NEED TO BE ON ITS OWN	6/7/2023 7:51 PM
43	We are different to solicitors/barristers and therefore have different needs and wants to think it should be separate.	6/7/2023 10:34 AM
44	Better understanding of the role of CILEx	6/7/2023 10:05 AM

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45	I do not believe CILEx Regulation has the same standing in the legal profession as the SRA.	6/5/2023 8:27 PM
46	If we're not going to have one regulator, which makes the most sense, then each profession should have its own regulator.	6/5/2023 10:13 AM
47	What's the point of having a regulator who you can't speak to, doesn't return calls so shows little or no support to its members sorry forgot we are now customers who cannot get their money back for poor service	6/5/2023 6:18 AM
48	CILEX are very different lawyers to solicitors/ barristers and we work in very different ways. Our regulators allow us the flexibility to work in a modern way and provide us with support and encouragement rather than a beat with a stick regime.	6/1/2023 12:52 PM
49	The legal profession has too many regulators.	6/1/2023 8:48 AM
50	I strongly agree - we are specialists, come from diverse backgrounds with many years of experience. Our needs and requirements are different to solicitors and we need to continue to ensure our voice is heard and to assist in better educating the public as to the very important role we play in the Legal system.	5/30/2023 1:51 PM
51	As above	5/27/2023 1:53 PM
52	I am of the view that cilex members will be viewed by the SRA as being below qualified solicitors and it will further compound the views of other professionals that we are not just as qualified. We already viewed by some as being essentially paralegals	5/26/2023 10:30 AM
53	The separation doesn't benefit qualified members	5/25/2023 9:34 PM
54	It is regulated as a separate profession from both solicitors and barristers but the SRA would normally follow CILEX Regulation decisions if a practitioner dual qualifies.	5/25/2023 7:10 PM
55	Yes, I cannot understand why cilex would want to have its regulation governed by an organisation that effectively is regulating its competitors. A shared regulator does seem nonsensical and it would be questionable whether this regulation could be done without detriment to either solicitors or legal executives. It does have the feel of turkeys voting for Christmas. An independent regulator would be preferable.	5/25/2023 3:57 PM
56		5/25/2023 3:27 PM
57	CRL knows and understands the role of CILEX members and is better placed to support those members in a regulatory context.	5/25/2023 2:28 PM
58	I don't think any particular regulator is required as long as high standards are maintained.	5/25/2023 2:23 PM
59	Not necessarily as any regulator has to act in compliance with the statutory regulatory objectives set out in s1(1) of the Act, which includes s(1)(f) encouraging an independent, strong, diverse and effective legal profession.	5/25/2023 2:12 PM
60	Yes, similar to SRA for Solicitors, Cilex Regulation being for Fellows, so it makes sense they have their own Regulatory body.	5/25/2023 2:08 PM
61	As I have said above	5/25/2023 1:25 PM
62	Not after the email 'spat' between Cilex and Cilex regulation that was made public some months ago.	5/25/2023 11:21 AM
63	I do but I do think that there should be more information on what you can help with and what exactly you do to promote members - for example why are CILEX Lawyers not listed as desired applicants for CPS jobs? It just says solicitors and barristers, what are we still missed off prominent positions when we are just as qualified??	5/25/2023 10:56 AM
64	It makes no difference except that it differentiates between solicitors and legal execs, I believe if cilex are to be treated as equals with solicitors they should be regulated by the SRA or more steps taken to ensure equality	5/25/2023 10:37 AM
65	The profession is marginalised enough as it is but having an independent specific regulator helps to awareness of the profession - we are regulated by people who understand our qualification and the issues we face.	5/25/2023 10:32 AM
66	I don't think people know about it and your bound by the SRA in any event	5/25/2023 10:30 AM

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67	CILEX lawyers should be represented by its own regulator. They are distinct from solicitors for a reason and should be independently represented.	5/25/2023 10:30 AM
68		5/25/2023 10:18 AM
69		5/25/2023 10:16 AM
70	as above	5/25/2023 10:14 AM
71	There has been significant criticism of the SRA, the proposed replacement regulator, in recent years and it behoves us to maintain some distance from those issues	5/25/2023 10:09 AM
72	It works well.	5/24/2023 9:06 PM
73		5/24/2023 9:27 AM
74		5/24/2023 8:53 AM
75	Again, this is not a binary question and is also too narrow. Right now, a regulator confined to the CILEx profession would be a retrograde step as CRL regulates more than that. CILEx members (and many others) would benefit from an independent specialist lawyer regulator such as CRL	5/22/2023 4:40 PM
76	It helps differentiate between different types of lawyers. If we were regulated by the SRA but not solicitors the public would see us as lesser	5/21/2023 7:40 PM
77	The suggestion that we move to be regulated by the SRA simply because the majority of Legal Executives work in practices which are regulated by the SRA does not make sense. Having an independent regulator who is able to focus on our position within the legal service provision is key and has always been a benefit of being a CILEX member.	5/19/2023 9:32 AM
78	It is useful to have a regulator who's focus is on the qualification journey unique to Cilex as well as the practice of the qualified members.	5/18/2023 8:30 PM
79	We are not Solicitors but will retain our status. Some solicitors refer to us in a derogatory manner.	5/18/2023 3:03 PM
80		5/18/2023 1:42 PM
81	Cilex Regulation are only currently looking out for Cilex, whereas other regulators such as the SRA may not pay as close attention to the different landscape and backgrounds of those from Cilex as may be needed.	5/18/2023 9:52 AM
82	Keeping Ilex independent is important. There has been so many issues relating to the SRA.	5/17/2023 4:42 PM
83		5/17/2023 10:20 AM
84	For the reasons stated in 1 above	5/17/2023 9:53 AM
85	If we come under SRA then it cements the view that we're a lesser type of lawyer. CILEx needs it's own regulator	5/17/2023 6:39 AM
86	A dedicated regulator is clearly better.	5/16/2023 10:31 PM
87	We should not be given a separate status. That is exactly what that causes confusion and	5/16/2023 9:08 PM

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brings in discrimination.

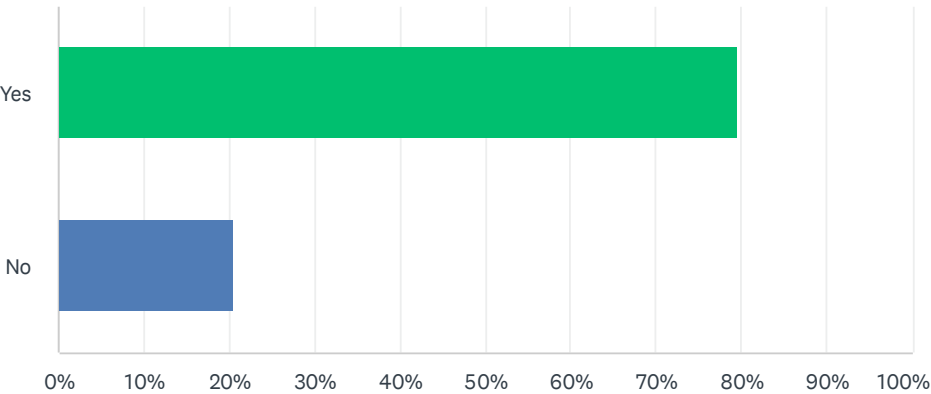
88	It avoids tensions which would otherwise arise if there was a common regulator with other branches of the profession	5/16/2023 7:52 PM
89	We are distinct from solicitors and the bar and have worked long and hard to gain our position in the overall profession. A separate regulator cements the difference and acknowledges the worth of the institutes members.	5/16/2023 6:03 PM
90	It is important that CILEx Regulation continue to regulate CILEx Practitioners as they are best placed to understand the needs of CILEx Firms. However it is important that CILEx Regulation and Membership promote themselves amongst the finance sector to overcome the continued struggles faced in releasing assets on probates and access mortgage panels.	5/16/2023 5:43 PM
91	Legal Executives often come to the profession through less traditional routes than other lawyers and so need a regulatory body that appreciates this.	5/16/2023 3:10 PM
92	We need an organisation that supports our specific position in the legal profession.	5/16/2023 1:57 PM
93	It understands the unique position of CILEX members and their professional and training standards.	5/16/2023 1:38 PM
94	There should be one regulator for all lawyers to eliminate confusion in public	5/16/2023 1:13 PM
95	Cilex offers an independent means/ An alternative route to practice. One that I intend to use.	5/16/2023 12:39 PM
96	I m both a Fellow and solicitor and I very much welcome the difference between the two	5/16/2023 9:47 AM
97	It's fine as it is	5/16/2023 9:46 AM
98	We are not solicitors and are usually specialists with one area of the Law	5/16/2023 9:35 AM
99	having our own regulators they are focused the needs of our own members.	5/16/2023 8:49 AM
100	If its sole purpose is to developing the profession then yes. If for example CILEX self regulated then it wouldn't be able to keep all the plates spinning without a few falling off and landing on the floor.	5/16/2023 7:55 AM
101	provided there is a regulator, it does not make a great difference that it is separate from SRA although the title of solicitors regulation authority regulating cilex lawyers seems less helpful given the name suggests solicitors only	5/16/2023 7:36 AM
102		5/16/2023 12:58 AM
103	Explained above.	5/15/2023 10:54 PM
104	The way CILEX is regulated is efficient and straightforward. I am happy with it.	5/15/2023 10:16 PM
105	I consider it can when focused on the needs of CILEX professionals only, meet those needs better to include advocating for increased advocacy rights take up (and any possible expansion thereof), increased support in those seeking to set up their own regulated organisation.	5/15/2023 9:29 PM
106	I think we will fall by the wayside compared to solicitors	5/15/2023 8:23 PM
107	CILEX professionals are unique and I'm not convinced any other regulator would be as passionate about our status within the industry	5/15/2023 7:57 PM
108	Ofcourse, otherwise what would the point be in being a member of CILEx.	5/15/2023 6:33 PM
109	Not though clear what a different regulator could offer. No idea whether better to not change.	5/15/2023 5:11 PM
110	It has long been a debate over CILEX and other qualification routes and I feel it is important the CILEX have their own independent voice in those discussions.	5/15/2023 5:01 PM
111	CILEX lawyers face unique challenges and need a regulator who recognises that, joining another regulator and being a minority will not enable the change that is needed and will likely enhance the tiered levels of the legal profession that too many still see.	5/15/2023 4:09 PM

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112	There is no doubt that Legal Executives are, quite wrongly, viewed differently to solicitors and barristers. Whilst that perception remains, we need to have a regulator that understands the unique niche that Legal Executives occupy in the legal profession.	5/15/2023 2:53 PM
113	From current evidence i do not see the benefit. it seems to me that the SRA is far more skilled and competent to deal with both solicitors and legal executives	5/15/2023 2:43 PM
114	We need to remain unique and not get swallowed up with the solicitors arrangements. They already see us as second class lawyers.	5/15/2023 2:38 PM
115	This is necessary and functions well at present	5/15/2023 2:24 PM
116		5/15/2023 2:12 PM
117	Whatever we want and think, we will always be considered the outliers of the profession. The SRA is not well thought of and we need to recognise the unique way we train and work.	5/15/2023 2:05 PM
118	It gives us more credibility when competing with Solicitors	5/15/2023 2:04 PM
119	Obviously, because of its unique place in the delivery of legal services	5/15/2023 2:01 PM
120	CRL encourages and promotes diversity in the legal profession as it offers a non university route for practitioners to provide regulated high quality specialist legal advice. I would never have been able to qualify as a lawyer or own my own firm without CRL, having studied whilst I was a single parent working full time, and therefore unable to complete the traditional university route. CRL is a good thing for consumers, as they have always promoted high professional standards, and its regulated lawyers are obliged to show that they can meet a high threshold before they can be regulated. Having CRL in the market drives competition in legal services and encourages a diverse and effective legal profession, leading to fair costs and fair representation of all sectors of the public within the profession	5/15/2023 1:57 PM
121	they are a regulator you can talk to. They understand the daily struggles that members have and where they fit within the market.	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
122	Being regulated by the SRA could potentially see CILEx members relegated to being "lesser".	5/15/2023 1:38 PM
123	CILEX Regulation provides a clear and identifiable difference to that of the SRA. If the regulator was to change, what would be the point of having CILEX Lawyers, particularly given that the SRA has now introduced the SQE? Abolishment of CILEX Regulation, is likely to abolish CILEX lawyers (of all grades) outright.	5/15/2023 1:32 PM
124	It feels is deemed to be the "poor relation" having to jump through a number of additional hoops to gain additional practice rights.	5/15/2023 1:30 PM
125	Support is needed	5/15/2023 1:24 PM
126	I think that having our own regulator enforces the view that CILEX Fellows are less than Solicitors. Brining the professions together under one regulator would be preferable	5/15/2023 1:23 PM
127	CILEx itself is not fit for purpose. When CILEx changed members' titles, they killed off all credibility of Fellows etc. Being advised by an 'Advanced Paralegal' certainly doesn't give clients the confidence it would if they instructed a 'Solicitor'. CILEx is unfit to manage or regulate itself or anyone else. The SRA should review and consider all CILEx Members and admit them as solicitors if they meet the requisite competencies. CILEx should then be dissolved. Despite spending 7 years to 'qualify' with CILEx, because of the disorganisation and mayhem, I am being forced to now also do the SQE at significant cost just to be recognised as anything but a laughing stock amongst my peers.	5/15/2023 1:22 PM
128		5/15/2023 1:21 PM
129	If Cilex become regulated by the SRA we will be treated as second class citizens and not on a par with Solicitors	5/15/2023 1:04 PM

Q3 Do you think that there are benefits in making it easier to set up a regulated law firm?

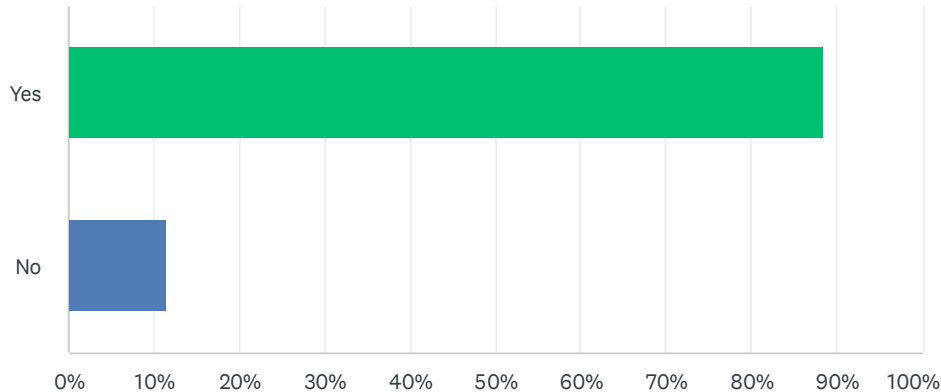
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	79.55%	210
No	20.45%	54
TOTAL		264

Q4 If so, do you think making it easier to set up a regulated law firm will bring benefits to the consumer?

Answered: 181 Skipped: 83



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	88.40% 160
No	11.60% 21
TOTAL	181

#	PLEASE GIVE REASONS	DATE
1	Greater choice.	6/26/2023 1:39 PM
2	The consumer requires regulated entities to be open and friendly to the consumers, it requires specialist entities such as CILEX. They do not require jack of all trades. There are only 58 firms under CILEX because of the difficulties as there are now in opening new firms. On account of the above, excellent CILEX lawyers and advocates are working for solicitors firms and others, and they fail to satisfy the consumer who requires a specialist service.	6/25/2023 3:06 PM
3	The easier it is for operators to set up business, the more the options that there will be in the market, and the less the cost for consumers.	6/24/2023 11:26 PM
4	The consumer is looking for better value and better understanding of financial constraints from legal service providers which are more likely to be met by regulated law firms operating simplified processes which can be provided at lower cost. Many CILEx Lawyers are unable to fund setting up a law firm unless they seek financial investment and this usually means having backing from others within the profession who traditionally either go to the SRA or BSB to be regulated, because they are a recognised brand.	6/22/2023 9:35 PM
5	Simplification of process and regulation aimed at what is 'necessary only' rather than unnecessary restrictions that could be interpreted or hinder, or effectively impact tge practitioner as a restraint of trade or even elitism....thus is not good fir the consumer, and lead to greater costs and unnecessary hurdles....tge practitioners is likely to be frustrated or change to another route of 'lawyer' within the profession. To cite one simple example, why is CILEx trying to differentiate between experienced and fully proven Fellows and more recent entrants to tge profession by using terms such as 'CILEx Lawyer vs CLE. Who by virtue of tge Courts and Legal Services Act is already 'a lawyer'. This is not progressive, it is regressive and unnecessary.	6/22/2023 5:06 PM
6	Consumer has wider variety when it come to making a choice. This is now the norm in all walks of society and the legal profession should also accommodate for changing time and	6/22/2023 2:32 PM

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	needs.	
7	An increase in the number of law firms will lead to more competition and a better deal for consumers of legal services generally. Increased choice for the consumer will improve access to justice.	6/22/2023 12:40 PM
8		6/20/2023 10:08 PM
9	I think it is important for CILEx Regulation to be assertive in allowing CILEx fellows to take responsibility for the activities in regard to which we have practice rights. CILEx law firms have the potential to offer great value services to consumers by specialised and very experienced practitioners who should be able to be proud of their CILEx fellowship.	6/20/2023 1:58 PM
10	It will let them know there are alternatives and encourage more independent challenger practises.	6/20/2023 1:44 PM
11	Bespoke service.	6/19/2023 9:36 AM
12	One of our strengths as FILEX members is that we have perhaps taken a longer route to qualification but have studied alongside working in the industry at the same time, gaining valuable experience which when combined with our own life experience provides the consumer with having someone who has been determined to succeed and who will be driven to work hard for their own Clients. This is not to say that Solicitors don't provide this, but the very route taken to qualify as a FILEX almost guarantees this offering as a given.	6/19/2023 8:05 AM
13	Provides career progression for professionals and a health competitive market for consumers	6/16/2023 6:25 PM
14	We need more firms to drive consumer choice. We need more firms to drive quality. The regulators focus on price but fail to appreciate the cost of great service. Choice and competition should be encouraged.	6/16/2023 8:41 AM
15	It means that there will be a wider choice available to the consumer and therefore more competition in the market should lead to better services	6/16/2023 8:35 AM
16	Not particularly- the consumer doesn't care they just want a regulated firm.	6/15/2023 9:14 PM
17	see previously answered survey	6/15/2023 1:14 PM
18	More choice to access justice	6/15/2023 12:45 PM
19	CILEX members have a whole wealth of experience and learn in a more practical way. They can hit the ground running when they find employment.	6/14/2023 3:42 PM
20	This may encourage greater diversity in the market and, as a result, choice for consumers.	6/14/2023 2:37 PM
21	Give more choice for the consumer / would enhance the role of CILEX and show that we are just as competent as solicitor	6/14/2023 12:06 PM
22	More choice	6/14/2023 10:59 AM
23	CILEX lawyers can bring specialist knowledge and can bring fairer rates to the consumer.	6/13/2023 1:21 PM
24	More competition on the market for consumers	6/13/2023 1:03 PM
25	This will provide more access to legal services.	6/13/2023 1:02 PM
26	100%. CILEx members are fantastic hard working people. This will allow more forward thinking and diverse law firms to open up to the public to create a better future	6/13/2023 12:58 PM
27	More choice to consumers - to choose other than solicitors	6/12/2023 8:26 PM
28	It would give opportunity to many other ethnic groups in our society to own a practice law firm specialising in spetic area of laws tailored to the needs of the community, at affordable legal fees , which would give confidence to consumers to seek legal advice and representation to specific matters.	6/11/2023 4:21 PM
29	Having people with the right specialised experience and knowledge acting for the consumer will provide better client focus	6/9/2023 2:02 PM
30	Will give wider choice. Need to make practitioners in an independent regulated law more	6/9/2023 7:48 AM

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acceptable to lenders .Not many lenders currently accept CILEX law firms on their panels .
CILEX must push for lenders to accept independent firms.

31	The consumer will have greater choice in the market and access to justice will one would hope improve.	6/8/2023 11:04 AM
32	1. drive down the cost and accessibility of legal services	6/8/2023 10:06 AM
33	More choice for the consumer	6/7/2023 10:07 AM
34	Depends how you do it. The freelance solicitor system was a good idea but it's still far too complicated. You still have to get insurance if you're going to provide reserved legal activities etc. If you make it nice and easy, make most things optional, have some sort of mutual insurance system (so that you don't have to pay for extortionate run-off insurance), and just make sure the client has to sign a disclaimer saying they're aware of the limitations of this model (if you choose not to have optional things like client accounts etc. and only operate on a fixed/agreed fee basis) then it would be great.	6/5/2023 10:18 AM
35	It assures the clients and gives the firm credibility	6/2/2023 1:29 PM
36	Customer choice is always better for customers but clients need to know about the different types of regulation and what this means for them.	6/1/2023 12:54 PM
37	Easier for firms, does not necessarily translate to easier for consumers.	6/1/2023 8:50 AM
38	Yes - competition is always good and provided adequate measures are enforced I think this can be only good news.	5/30/2023 1:55 PM
39	More competitive market for access to law for consumers and more bespoke smaller firms on offer	5/29/2023 5:44 PM
40	A fair and healthy competition in the work place can only be good for the profession. Plain playing field is what is required by us. Right now the playing field is not levelled out. We as Cilex members continue to draw the short straw in the profession.	5/26/2023 6:50 PM
41	It will allow more CLE to set up there own law firm, providing services to the public at possibly a better price than old fashioned law firms.	5/26/2023 2:07 PM
42	There would not be an impact on the consumer but on the person setting up the firm	5/26/2023 10:33 AM
43	It would help the persons setting it up. I'm not sure how it benefits the consumer	5/25/2023 9:38 PM
44		5/25/2023 3:29 PM
45		5/25/2023 2:15 PM
46	This can result in lower costs and a wider choice for the consumer	5/25/2023 1:28 PM
47	More choice for consumers.	5/25/2023 11:27 AM
48	Accountants are permitted to practise in the restricted area of probate, despite having little or no knowledge of the underlying law. This cannot be good for the consumer.	5/25/2023 11:26 AM
49	Will give them better access to specialists in their areas of law.	5/25/2023 10:58 AM
50	More choice	5/25/2023 10:54 AM
51	It will give more choice to consumers to choose a properly regulated firm.	5/25/2023 10:50 AM
52	There will be more opportunity for customers	5/25/2023 10:39 AM
53	More efficient.	5/25/2023 10:32 AM
54	although it is difficult to often promote CILEX as still not heard of by so many of the general public	5/25/2023 10:32 AM
55		5/25/2023 10:25 AM

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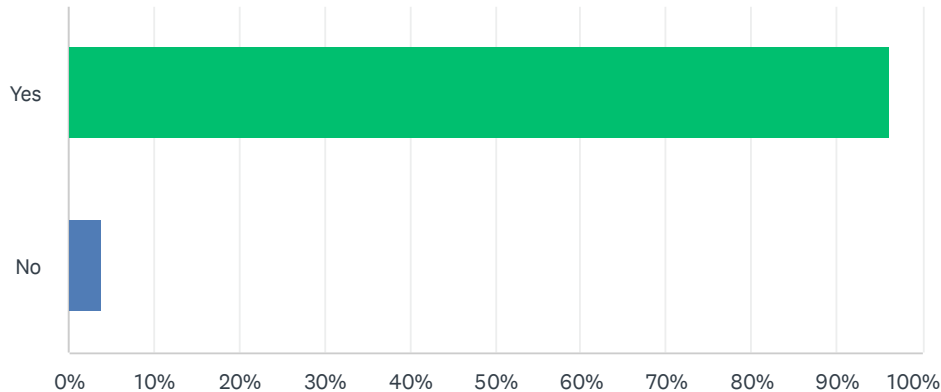
56		5/25/2023 10:20 AM
57	it will give Cilex Lawyers the same opportunities as Solicitors	5/25/2023 10:14 AM
58	Consumers have no idea what a Chartered Legal Executive or CILEX Lawyer is and have a narrow viewpoint where it comes to the firms that will undertake work on their behalf. That can only be addressed by greater publicity and raising of awareness of what we do and until that happens, the consumer is unlikely to look towards alternative methods of provision of legal services	5/25/2023 10:12 AM
59		5/24/2023 9:30 AM
60		5/24/2023 8:59 AM
61	Subject to proper consumer protection, the ability to offer legal services more easily widens consumer choice and ought to make the services more affordable (or less unaffordable?)	5/22/2023 4:43 PM
62	More choice for the consumer in terms of being able to deal with properly regulated firms makes sense. Providing the regulation is correct then making it easier to set up a firm can only bring benefits. The consumer needs protection from rogue firms/practitioners. They are not bothered about how someone has to go about being regulated. This burden only falls to the profession not the consumers.	5/19/2023 9:36 AM
63	More choice	5/18/2023 8:24 PM
64		5/18/2023 1:43 PM
65	The consumer should have choice of people with appropriate qualifications to perform the services. Someone's background should not impact this so long as the output is similar. It will only enhance competition and options for the consumer rather than anything else.	5/18/2023 9:56 AM
66	It is not clear to me that it would bring benefits	5/16/2023 7:54 PM
67	To clarify, whilst I consider that a broader range of choice for consumers is beneficial and believe that barriers to setting up a practise are counter productive in terms of access and diversity in the profession, I am strongly against a relaxation of the standards required of any lawyer.	5/16/2023 6:26 PM
68	To ensure that the consumer has more choice. The client only cares on whether the firm is regulated, regardless of regulator. By forcing the firms into one regulator (SRA) you are reducing consumer choice and competition.	5/16/2023 5:46 PM
69	More competition and better customer service with lower legal fees overall to suit the end user.	5/16/2023 2:03 PM
70	Barriers in setting up a law firm are not in the interests of public	5/16/2023 1:21 PM
71	More choice in provision of legal services and more focus on people being able to showcase specific sector expertise rather than general qualifications	5/16/2023 1:00 PM
72	This would bring more competition to the market and may even bring newcomers to the environment.	5/16/2023 12:45 PM
73	More choice	5/16/2023 9:49 AM
74	i don't have an opinion on this as i do not know one way or the other. I don't spend a lot of time thinking about this issue.	5/16/2023 9:48 AM
75	Possibly not. It will help the legal professionals who want to instruct law firms but I am unsure how one could say making it easier to set up a law firm will bring benefits to the consumers other than to say that there would be more choice of CRL regulated law firms	5/16/2023 7:57 AM
76	more choice, more diversity and inclusion	5/16/2023 7:37 AM
77		5/16/2023 1:04 AM
78	It will provide consumers with a greater number of well run firms in a competitive market. There is a greater prevalence of legally aided lawyers within CILEX and a greater need for such firms which could assist with access to justice if more readily achievable.	5/15/2023 9:33 PM

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79		5/15/2023 7:58 PM
80	Consumers would have more choice in who they are represented by and CRL is an exceptional regulatory body who will replace the Bar council when it comes to authorising specialists in the legal field	5/15/2023 6:37 PM
81	Increased diversity if different people can set up law firms (assuming regulated correctly etc.).	5/15/2023 5:04 PM
82	More freedom of choice but also regulation brings protection and it may encourage some firms carrying out unregulated activities to become regulated anyway.	5/15/2023 4:10 PM
83	I work almost exclusively in the Employment Law field and I have seen the number of specialist firms diminishing rapidly as they are swallowed up by big firms. I strongly believe that there is a large market for niche firms to be created and operated by Legal Executives who could provide more accessible and cheaper services to the public.	5/15/2023 3:01 PM
84	It will widen the consumers' access to specialist legal service at adequate costs.	5/15/2023 2:45 PM
85	Access to justice is incredibly important and this will increase it.	5/15/2023 2:38 PM
86	It will offer more choice for consumers	5/15/2023 2:26 PM
87		5/15/2023 2:14 PM
88	Because it will enable an increase of potentially smaller and more specialist firms offering legal services to consumers. In turn this will provide more choice and keep costs competitive which are good for the consumer. The number of smaller firms for consumers to access is currently reducing, meaning that competition over costs and service is likewise reduced. A narrow legal services market for the consumer is not good.	5/15/2023 2:10 PM
89	It will give them more options when choosing what firm they wish to appoint to act for them.	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
90	It took me many month's to set up my firm which have had knock on issues which could have been resolved with a smoother process.	5/15/2023 1:45 PM
91	Clients don't really care about the qualification achieved, just that the person they instruct is competent and able to assist them. If the framework for establishing a practice is easier, and more people are encouraged to do so, then this should be something that CRL supports and encourages.	5/15/2023 1:35 PM
92	Better access to services.	5/15/2023 1:34 PM
93	It will provide competition with qualified lawyers	5/15/2023 1:25 PM
94	Potentially as long as any firm was appropriately run	5/15/2023 1:25 PM
95		5/15/2023 1:22 PM
96	this would broaden the choice of legal services available to consumers	5/15/2023 1:07 PM

Q5 Would you support CRL increasing its emphasis on championing the work of CILEX professionals?

Answered: 181 Skipped: 83



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	96.13% 174
No	3.87% 7
TOTAL	181

#	PLEASE GIVE REASONS	DATE
1	With reservations. Some "championing" has arguably led to a reduction in standing. E.g. Chartered Legal Executives being overtaken by Cilex Practitioners, with the rules not allowing many the opportunity to progress and keep up.	6/26/2023 1:39 PM
2	CRL must adopt a programme which is easier to be used and to reflect the views of CILEX members.	6/25/2023 3:06 PM
3	Absolutely, particularly for Entities, because there has been no championing from CILEx or CRL in promoting that CILEx Lawyers can set up and run their own firms. As an Entity owner which is a small group, we cannot have a great impact on the public unless there is a united Group headed by our regulatory body or even our membership body who are being paid to do those things.	6/22/2023 9:35 PM
4	For the very reason if their purpose and existence	6/22/2023 5:06 PM
5	CRL are a thorough, fair, well balanced and competent regulator.	6/22/2023 2:32 PM
6	It is important that CRL continue to champion the role CILEX professionals play in the delivery of legal services. CRL have regulated CILEX professionals since the inception of the Legal Services Act 2007 and are therefore uniquely placed to champion the value and contribution of the CILEX community. We support the CRL proposal to recruit to a new post dedicated to promoting the value of the profession which will enable CRL to increase its emphasis on championing the work of CILEX professionals.	6/22/2023 12:40 PM
7		6/20/2023 10:08 PM
8	Absolutely. I think more emphasis should be placed on our specialism and longer training. I have solicitor colleagues who, whilst they have broader training via the LPC and their 6 month seats, are actually way less useful than a CILEx colleague of the same number of years in the job who has been practising one area of law since they started.	6/20/2023 1:58 PM

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9	Yes, as it would help us to fairly compete with solicitors	6/20/2023 1:44 PM
10	Important to recognise the input of cilex professionals to the legal sector	6/20/2023 1:43 PM
11	Still the majority of the public don't really know what a Legal Executive is. CILEX professionals deserve more recognition. Too many consider cross-qualifying to a solicitor as often being a solicitor is still deemed the better option.	6/19/2023 1:15 PM
12	Identify the value we have.	6/19/2023 9:36 AM
13	For all the reasons previously given!	6/19/2023 8:05 AM
14	A lot of professionals and clients still do not know what a CILEx qualification is and think Solicitors are superior.	6/16/2023 6:25 PM
15	There are still parts of the country where CILEX lawyers do not have the same standing as solicitors. I am fortunate to be in a firm which treats me as an equal to my solicitor colleagues, but I am aware this is still a significant problem for many	6/16/2023 12:45 PM
16		6/16/2023 10:46 AM
17	Public understanding is needed to enhance legal service provision.	6/16/2023 8:41 AM
18	So often in this industry we are sold short side lined and look down upon. We are just as valuable as all the other professionals in this industry	6/16/2023 8:35 AM
19	see previously answered survey	6/15/2023 1:14 PM
20	Still feel undervalued compared to solicitors	6/15/2023 12:41 PM
21	A lot of people still do not understand what CILEX is.	6/14/2023 3:42 PM
22	See below.	6/14/2023 2:37 PM
23	Despite having 18 PQE I still come across negativity against CILEX members, sadly by solicitors and on one occasion a barrister who clearly do not appreciate the extent and level of work which has to be done to qualify as a CILEX nor indeed the competence required to be CILEX.	6/14/2023 12:06 PM
24	We need much more of this. This needs to be done loudly and proudly. This work is crucially important.	6/14/2023 10:59 AM
25	CILEX professionals need all the support they can get to make the name as well known as the Law Society and SRA.	6/13/2023 1:21 PM
26	Not enough has been done outside of gaining Royal Charter. Some members at CRL appear surprised as to how little Legal Execs are thought of in the work place compared to Solicitors, but conversely seemed aware of the comments made in the law society gazette and how we will fair as a profession should the SRA take over regulation.	6/13/2023 1:03 PM
27	I believe that CILEx is often misunderstood in the consumer / client world.	6/13/2023 1:02 PM
28	To give visibility to new and existing lawyers and promoting the legal profession.	6/11/2023 4:21 PM
29	I am passionate that everyone should know about the the opportunities CRL can provide. By championing the work of CILEX professionals more, you will reach out to a new audience and give people a better understand of what they do	6/9/2023 2:02 PM
30	The work of all lawyers needs to be promoted lawyers, there is still too much emphasis on becoming a solicitor and that being the preferred/only way to go.	6/9/2023 8:55 AM
31	Promotion brings public confidence, CILEX still considered the under-dog in solicitors firms. Although CILEX practitioners are specialists in their own areas of work.	6/9/2023 7:48 AM
32	It has always been important to raise the profile of CILEX professionals for the benefit of members and consumers alike.	6/8/2023 11:04 AM
33	We need to bring about parity for CILEX lawyers and Solicitors	6/7/2023 10:32 AM
34	More visibility to the profession would help create a understanding of CILEx	6/7/2023 10:07 AM
35	When I say "Yes" I mean that in the strictest sense. None of this diversity and inclusivity, or	6/5/2023 10:18 AM

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rule of law nonsense. Just give the basics which the public might actually be interested in hearing: "CILEX are fully-regulated lawyers who can get you specialised legal advice just like a solicitor or barrister."

36	I believe CRL has the ear of the CILEx profession and wants to champion us to progress our carers and set up firms. I do not believe CILEx membership does this	6/1/2023 12:54 PM
37	There are too many regulators.	6/1/2023 8:50 AM
38	Our role and experience is often misunderstood and the legal profession and general public need to be better informed.	5/30/2023 1:55 PM
39	It is the only way forward. It will increase confidence and productivity.	5/26/2023 6:50 PM
40	CRL have already done so much to improve recognition of lawyers in the legal sector. It would make sense to continue that work, to allow more recognition for CLE.	5/26/2023 2:07 PM
41	Cilex professionals are still not regarded by many as being legally qualified	5/26/2023 10:33 AM
42	What does "increasing its emphasis" actually mean in terms of actual delivery	5/25/2023 9:38 PM
43		5/25/2023 3:29 PM
44		5/25/2023 2:15 PM
45	Cilex members are professional in their legal undertakings and recog ition needs to be made in this respect	5/25/2023 1:28 PM
46	Many people still don't know what a Chartered Legal Executive is. Members of the public do not realise that Fellows are qualified lawyers to the same standard as Solicitors.	5/25/2023 11:27 AM
47	Presumably that should be their job?	5/25/2023 11:26 AM
48	Yes, as I said above, we are not even listed as a desirable candidate for CPS jobs. There are loads more places that still only advertise for Solicitors and not Legal Execs.	5/25/2023 10:58 AM
49	CILEX is a marginalised qualification and it is frustrating that it is misunderstood and the term 'executive' misused by unqualified fee earners.	5/25/2023 10:50 AM
50	CILEX is underrepresented and there is a lack of understanding in the wider legal community as well as society of the value made by CILEX lawyers.	5/25/2023 10:32 AM
51		5/25/2023 10:25 AM
52		5/25/2023 10:20 AM
53	Absolutely! See my answer to question 4.	5/25/2023 10:12 AM
54	It will increase awareness of CILEx professional and/or Lawyers	5/25/2023 10:12 AM
55		5/24/2023 9:30 AM
56		5/24/2023 8:59 AM
57	NOT a binary question! Of course I'd support championing CILEx lawyers (not that we're allowed to use that term any longer apparently) but (a) that is not a regulator's job and (b) there should be a broader vision as to the regulated community	5/22/2023 4:43 PM
58	We are fully fledged members of the legal service now - with many more opportunities in terms of careers, progression and standing. Continuing to champion those rights is absolutely correct.	5/19/2023 9:36 AM
59	Some one needs to look after cilex members. Time and time again we have been let down. I	5/18/2023 8:24 PM

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had to qualify as a licensed conveyancer as cilex did not grant practice rights to fellows.

60	The work of Cilex professions and Solicitors is often not any different. If the Cilex regulator is not able to champion the work, who will?	5/18/2023 9:56 AM
61	The status of members has improved hugely over the years but there is still a way to go. Having been associated with the Institute for many years and a Fellow for over three decades I have supervised solicitors and barristers in my team and am appointed by The Law Society as an Assessor for Accreditation purposes. I can say therefore that I have seen the gap between the branches narrowed and deservedly so. Again however there should not be advancement without full accountability and a high standard placed on standards.	5/16/2023 6:26 PM
62	CILEx Regulation should be regulating CILEx professionals. They should also be continuing to encourage recognition amongst financial institutions and with the general public.	5/16/2023 5:46 PM
63	But ONLY if it stops shaming Chartered Legal Executives. I am thoroughly fed up with the gradual feeling that FCILEx are basically paralegals. It is gaslight to suddenly tell us all that we are not good enough and now need to be 'CILEX Lawyers' and do further qualifications to be on a par with solicitors. We are already on a par! It is hard enough getting solicitors to recognise this without our own regulatory and representative bodies turning against us.	5/16/2023 2:03 PM
64	Cilex Regulation has not been successful to achieve this objective over many many years.	5/16/2023 1:21 PM
65	Yes but if we are to become SRA regulated there will be little point as I firmly believe the Cilex identity will cease to be.	5/16/2023 1:00 PM
66	I believe that Cilex should be ran and regulated by qualified cilex practitioners.	5/16/2023 12:45 PM
67	Silly question - who wouldn't support increasing emphasis on championing the work of CILEX professionals?	5/16/2023 9:48 AM
68	CRL does a good job	5/16/2023 9:42 AM
69	There are still a large number of legal progressionals who either misunderstand CILEX or have a elitist approach and more needs to be done about this.	5/16/2023 7:57 AM
70		5/16/2023 1:04 AM
71	Because I don't reckon CRL represents me in my profession.	5/15/2023 11:00 PM
72	We are looked down upon as not as trained as a solicitor	5/15/2023 8:21 PM
73	Always	5/15/2023 7:58 PM
74	CRL authorises and regulates specialists similar to the Bar council - it should embrace its high standards in who it regulates	5/15/2023 6:37 PM
75	Increased awareness of the CILEX qualification.	5/15/2023 5:04 PM
76	I believe that the public and other lawyers still do not understand or appreciate the work that Legal Executives can and do provide, and that anything that can be done to help spread the word can only be a good thing.	5/15/2023 3:01 PM
77		5/15/2023 2:38 PM
78	This would be helpful in conjunction with CILEx	5/15/2023 2:26 PM
79		5/15/2023 2:14 PM
80	It is important that CILEx professionals continue to be supported and their skills marketed to the public. They have a unique set of attributes and a wealth of experience having normally come through the ranks by working at all levels of a law firm. They are also very representative of the diversity in society.	5/15/2023 2:10 PM
81	Yes because too many people/companies believe we are less qualified when in fact we can be more qualified due to the focus we put on specific areas of law when we choose the path we wish to go down	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
82	We should be shouting out.	5/15/2023 1:45 PM

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83	Of course. It makes sense for CRL to do this. It is high time that CILEX Lawyers step out of the shadows of Solicitors.	5/15/2023 1:35 PM
84	As mentioned doesn't feel a level playing field with Solicitors at the moment, despite undertaking the same responsibilities.	5/15/2023 1:34 PM
85	CILEX needs to be recognised	5/15/2023 1:25 PM
86	I would support any agency championing the work of CILEX professionals	5/15/2023 1:25 PM
87	CRL does not champion CILEx professionals. CRL has killed off all credibility of CILEx professionals. CRL has done so much harm that CILEx professionals are a laughing stock.	5/15/2023 1:23 PM
88		5/15/2023 1:22 PM
89	This is vitally important. Inroads have been made, but CILEX spends too much time making it easier to qualify and not enough time at all promoting FCILEx members. We are still very much looked down upon.	5/15/2023 1:07 PM

Q6 If you had to choose just one, what would be your greatest priority that CRL should use as a focus for its work for the next three years?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Argue for experienced Chartered Legal Executives to progress to Cilex Practitioners without the requirement to be currently conducting advocacy. As a Partner in a law firm, I ceased conducting advocacy around 20 years ago. The requirement penalises experience (and is potentially ageist).	6/26/2023 1:39 PM
2	Parity between solicitors and legal executives. Many (including myself) are choosing to cross-qualify and become solicitors due to persisting issues	6/26/2023 12:20 PM
3	Driving up the standards of entrants into CILEx Fellowship. The WBL route is over onerous as the same time as allowing marginal candidates into the legal profession.	6/26/2023 12:03 PM
4	Easier communication with CILEX members and more flexibility. Many times CILEX members find it difficult to receive the benefits of CRL communications.	6/25/2023 3:06 PM
5	No option.	6/24/2023 11:26 PM
6	z	6/23/2023 4:36 PM
7	Raising the profile of CILEx Lawyers, Practitioners and Entities is the greatest priority to ensure we have full parity with solicitors and solicitor firms.	6/22/2023 9:35 PM
8	Ensuring that the Fellows already qualified and admitted maintain and increase their status and practice rights, in a cost effective way, not create additional unnecessary hurdles....I do not see that happening with the other parts of the profession e.g. Solicitors, barrister or even LC's.	6/22/2023 5:06 PM
9	To increase the popularity /parity of CILEx practitioners when compared to solicitors, so that they are more widely recognised amongst financial institutions (banks) and courts.	6/22/2023 2:32 PM
10	To support CILEX Fellows to gain independent practising rights. With the introduction of the revised education standards, the introduction of the CILEX CPQ and a change to CILEX membership levels there is a degree of fragmentation within the profession. It is pleasing to note that the number of practitioners has increased by 46% in the last 12 months (from 112 CILEX Practitioners in March 2022 to 164 CILEX Practitioners in March 2023) but this is still an area for growth. There are many competent CILEX professionals that, if assessed to gain those rights, could offer regulated services independently. This would lead to increased choice for the consumer, provide more competition and improve access to justice.	6/22/2023 12:40 PM
11	Having a clear vision and to stop moving the goal posts, causing CILEx members unease as to whether this will happen again and again.	6/21/2023 10:12 AM
12		6/20/2023 10:08 PM
13	Practice rights to be given automatically	6/20/2023 3:49 PM
14	I	6/20/2023 3:15 PM
15	Increasing the independence and respect for the CILEx fellow qualification. Also, I personally find the 'fellow' designation a bit silly and unhelpful to consumers. I think there would be a strong case for changing the term to 'CILEx lawyer'	6/20/2023 1:58 PM
16	Streamlining the process to fellowship to make it easier for advocates. Reducing the barriers to fellowship. Increasing our promotion and potential earnings.	6/20/2023 1:44 PM
17	Reputation/ legitimisation of fellows as equivalent to solicitors/barristers	6/20/2023 1:43 PM
18	Not sure all the points detailed seem, important. Greater recognition for CILEx members. It	6/19/2023 1:15 PM

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would be nicer to see more CILEx regulated firms also - there are none in my town!

19		6/19/2023 12:27 PM
20	Closing the gap between those qualified under the SRA and CRL.	6/19/2023 9:36 AM
21	To draw a line in the sand, build back the trust that seems to have been lost with CILEX even though their actions have been questionable and to prove to all why CRL needs to continue to be our regulation body.	6/19/2023 8:05 AM
22	Make it as much as possible a level playing field for CILEx Lawyers with Solicitors For example the Land Registry still require a Solicitor to provide a signed certificate for a LL restriction on title confirming the identity of the seller.	6/16/2023 6:25 PM
23		6/16/2023 4:24 PM
24	.	6/16/2023 1:01 PM
25	Clarifying and easing the pathway to higher practice rights both for those in regulated and unregulated sectors. I am in an unregulated sector but still want higher rights so I can truly call myself equal to a solicitor	6/16/2023 12:45 PM
26		6/16/2023 10:46 AM
27	The public interest from competition amongst regulators to enhance the regulatory standards which poorly served by the LSB by key for enhancing the consumer experience.	6/16/2023 8:41 AM
28	reducing the amount of hurdles that we have to overcome to maintain our place in the industry	6/16/2023 8:35 AM
29	Increasing the number of members and entities	6/15/2023 9:14 PM
30	NOT the regulation of law firms. Understand the profession and change the make up of the staff - you are very out of touch. Stop blaming CILEX and focussing on how they went to the LSB/SRA - acknowledge the issues that they had before that which caused them to take that approach. It should go without saying but I am not convinced the regulator is being realistic about the future - CILEX is not attractive to graduates and the incumbents and this infighting in the profession does not help. The regulator is stuck in old ways and hierarchy and needs a member focussed, future looking strategy that works collaboratively with CILEX and the rest of the legal profession. You should be more open to building in exemptions and cross accreditation to make the customer journey easier. It is a commonly held joke that you cannot speak to anyone at the Regulator - yet on the webinar today there seemed to be surprise at that??? Really? This means that you have no idea about customer service on a basic level either.	6/15/2023 1:35 PM
31	Promoting parity for CILEx qualified lawyers	6/15/2023 1:14 PM
32	Achieving parity with Solicitors	6/15/2023 1:08 PM
33	.	6/15/2023 12:54 PM
34	Level up perception of CILEX members against solicitors	6/15/2023 12:45 PM
35	Championing work of CILEX professionals to increase standing in legal community	6/15/2023 12:41 PM
36	Service quality	6/15/2023 8:51 AM
37	Looking after it's members	6/14/2023 3:42 PM
38	.	6/14/2023 2:42 PM
39	Continuing to focus on building public knowledge and understanding of CILEx and professionals within it, so as to promote greater understanding of and confidence in CILEx members as lawyers commensurate to solicitors.	6/14/2023 2:37 PM
40	1. To continue to champion the CILEX, their competence, skills and level of qualification. After all, CILEX are required to specialise in areas of law	6/14/2023 12:06 PM
41	Levelling up the playing field with solicitors. The requirement to apply for practice rights is actually discriminatory and places an unnecessary hurdle in front of Chartered Legal Executives. Cilex Regulation need to campaign to the LSB for this to change. Fellows should NOT have to apply for practice rights - they should come with fellowship.	6/14/2023 10:59 AM

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42	Educate and encourage people to come forward in this field	6/14/2023 3:12 AM
43	Improving the visibility and reputation of CILEX qualifications to bring greater equality within the legal profession	6/13/2023 11:15 PM
44	Parity with the rest of the legal sector.	6/13/2023 7:12 PM
45	Championing the work of CILEX professionals	6/13/2023 5:07 PM
46	Making CILEX the best option for anyone looking to commence a career in law.	6/13/2023 1:21 PM
47	Make it easier for Conveyancing Fellows to gain their Practice Rights within the area they have specialised in for up to ten years. CLC will automatically award Conveyancing Fellows with CLC membership without any need for further exams or a hefty portfolio of evidence.	6/13/2023 1:03 PM
48	Unknown.	6/13/2023 1:02 PM
49	Create a more straightforward path for those to qualify and obtain practice rights / advocacy rights. It should be akin to the solicitor route yet sadly this is much more strenuous/expensive and time consuming. I often feel like giving up	6/13/2023 12:58 PM
50	Removing the barriers to us acting to the same degree as solicitors	6/13/2023 12:31 PM
51	Improve the understanding of those outside of the CILEX community so they understand that we are just as qualified and hardworking, if not more than the standard solicitor who qualified via the standard route	6/13/2023 12:25 PM
52	Give Fellows practice rights without extortionate fees!	6/12/2023 9:32 PM
53	To continue to emphasise the benefits that Fellows can enjoy in the profession-partners, judges etc.	6/12/2023 8:26 PM
54	Further recognition of the worth of feliws	6/12/2023 6:45 PM
55	Make Regulation easier and accessible to all.	6/11/2023 4:21 PM
56	Ease the process of setting up CILEX regulated firm. Right of audience in every court same as barrister	6/10/2023 2:24 PM
57	Working to improve both public and professional perception of Cilex lawyers	6/10/2023 6:29 AM
58	Not sure	6/10/2023 4:33 AM
59	greater awareness of CILex members. Paralegals get better mention even in your own materials	6/9/2023 11:32 PM
60	getting more regulated firms	6/9/2023 2:02 PM
61	CRL should be focusing on lobbying to make it easier for Chartered Legal Executives to carry out reserved activities. As the beginning of my CILEX journey, I joined as I was under the impression that Chartered Legal Executives were equal to Solicitors, only to find that this is not the case. This is particular to conveyancers, as it is now unfortunate that I can no longer submit my own land registry applications.	6/9/2023 9:42 AM
62	Reducing the requirement for further practice rights. It is a nonsense. Experienced lawyers, directors and partners of firms can no longer do their daily work, and many have left CRL because of it.	6/9/2023 8:55 AM
63	Making CILEX easier to set up as an independent practising firm and CILEX members who have long term past experience in specialist areas to be issued with practising rights.	6/9/2023 7:48 AM
64	Changing the law to allow certification of LPA's	6/9/2023 5:30 AM
65	Parity	6/8/2023 11:04 AM
66	improving the credibility of CILEX lawyers in the market place	6/8/2023 10:06 AM
67	Better training options and apprenticeships for CILEX. The SQE and the solicitors apprenticeship are going to attract young lawyers and their employers who otherwise would have promoted the CILEX route. This is vital for CILEX and the lack of good and well publicised apprenticeship program in England seems poor.	6/8/2023 9:29 AM

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68	.	6/8/2023 7:07 AM
69	AWARENESS OF THE SPECIALISTS THAT ARE LEGAL EXECUTIVES WHO KNOW THEIR PRACTICE AREAS AND HAS GOOD BUISNESS ACUMEN	6/7/2023 7:53 PM
70		6/7/2023 2:47 PM
71	Sorting out the ridiculous specificity and and reporting requirements for CPD, which are so out of equivalence with SRA and Bar Council. They allow flexibility and professional decison making by the lawyer, and reporting by just a professional statement.	6/7/2023 11:37 AM
72	.	6/7/2023 11:04 AM
73	.	6/7/2023 10:34 AM
74	Parity with solicitors	6/7/2023 10:32 AM
75	Equality for CILEx	6/7/2023 10:07 AM
76	No. 5	6/6/2023 1:51 PM
77	Increasing its reputation in the legal profession.	6/5/2023 8:28 PM
78	Existing.	6/5/2023 10:18 AM
79	Do more	6/5/2023 6:41 AM
80	Be more accessible to members to actually speak to someone who can assist and advise members	6/5/2023 6:23 AM
81	Transparency, respect, support and and the same commitment we are expected to extend to our clients. If the core foundation is not strong it all crumbles.	6/2/2023 1:29 PM
82	Getting equal status for solicitors and CILEx fellows - for example practice rights in Court without additional exams - parity for conveyancing panels without having to take extra exams or jump through extra hoops - levelling the playing field	6/1/2023 12:54 PM
83	Make itself redundant.	6/1/2023 8:50 AM
84	Changing approach to practice rights	5/31/2023 11:34 PM
85		5/30/2023 4:43 PM
86	Promote and publicise more the role that Legal Executives play in the legal system and to try and reduce fees.	5/30/2023 1:55 PM
87	Keeping its members in the loop and acting in the interests of its members at all time. The social media feud was embarrassing and left me feeling very un reassured.	5/30/2023 6:24 AM
88	Work harder towards ending disparity between Cilex lawyers and traditional lawyers.	5/29/2023 5:44 PM
89	Parity with others in the legal profession	5/27/2023 9:39 PM
90	Parity with solicitors in all senses, but especially in how we're treated by firms and in the workplace	5/27/2023 1:55 PM
91	Equality in the legal profession. Building confidence of Cilex professional	5/26/2023 6:50 PM
92	Promoting CILEx professionals as independent from SRA professionals	5/26/2023 2:11 PM
93	Ensuring CLE are treated the same as solicitors and get they recognition they deserve.	5/26/2023 2:07 PM
94	To continue to champion that cilex members are fully qualified lawyers	5/26/2023 10:33 AM
95	Could the Cilex diploma be an actual degree? I've always thought it was unfortunate we Cilex qualified fellows still can't say we are degree educated even though it is equivalent level	5/25/2023 9:38 PM
96	Bridge the gap between CILEX qualified individuals and traditional qualifiers. Help employers to do this.	5/25/2023 8:03 PM
97	Access for the disabled.	5/25/2023 7:11 PM
98	recognition and progression	5/25/2023 7:00 PM

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99	Unsure	5/25/2023 5:49 PM
100	Efficiency in delivering its services to members.	5/25/2023 5:25 PM
101	Education of legal sector. Promoting the benefits of legal executives when compared to solicitors. The number of firms and people within the industry who do not understand the difference between the two and even those that are studying to become legal executive who do not understand the two is quite frankly shocking.	5/25/2023 4:01 PM
102	Higher Rights of Audience	5/25/2023 3:29 PM
103	I don't know.	5/25/2023 3:28 PM
104	Equal practicing rights for CLE and solicitors	5/25/2023 2:43 PM
105	Streamlining the application process for practice rights, to make it more accessible to those entitled to apply.	5/25/2023 2:29 PM
106		5/25/2023 2:28 PM
107	To work effectively with CILEX in a transparent, open and professional way to secure the shared objectives and enhance and promote public interest	5/25/2023 2:17 PM
108		5/25/2023 2:15 PM
109	Continuing recognition for the work undertaken by CILEX professionals and making them equals with other legal professions	5/25/2023 1:28 PM
110	Sorting out its FCA status in order to be able to offer ATE insurance policies	5/25/2023 12:57 PM
111	Promoting the work of CILEx professionals and increasing awareness in the general public.	5/25/2023 11:27 AM
112	Sort themselves out; precisely what (or who) CILEx regulation should focus on - a single qualified individual so that the public understands what they are getting, rather than a multiplicity of greater/lesser qualifications	5/25/2023 11:26 AM
113	Getting us access to more positions in areas that we are currently shut out from but are just as able to do as solicitors.	5/25/2023 10:58 AM
114	I don't agree this is the way forward.	5/25/2023 10:56 AM
115	Ensuring it remains the regulator for Cilex members	5/25/2023 10:54 AM
116	Challenge the lack of recognition of the profession and having legislation changed to have practice rights granted automatically as with Licensed Conveyancers.	5/25/2023 10:50 AM
117	Continuing to support the members	5/25/2023 10:39 AM
118	One qualification that was on a par with being a solicitor, there are too many Cilex lawyer titles and too much focus on specialisms. Solicitors also specialise but they just have one title. Chartered Legal Executive should remain and steps taken to ensure the qualification is on a par with being a solicitor, the problem is with the qualification and inventing new titles demeans and confuses everybody.	5/25/2023 10:39 AM
119	Championing the work of CILEX lawyers.	5/25/2023 10:32 AM
120	supporting the lawyers and enhancing the brand	5/25/2023 10:32 AM
121	Parity for fellows with solicitors	5/25/2023 10:31 AM
122	Avoiding being regulated by the SRA!	5/25/2023 10:25 AM
123		5/25/2023 10:25 AM
124		5/25/2023 10:20 AM
125		5/25/2023 10:19 AM

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126	equality	5/25/2023 10:14 AM
127	Raising awareness amongst the public as to what we do and our standing in the profession as a precursor to more work on making it easier for CILEX professionals to set up a firm or obtain judicial office (although the MOJ needs to address that process as it is onerous to say the least)	5/25/2023 10:12 AM
128		5/25/2023 10:12 AM
129	Unsure	5/24/2023 9:07 PM
130		5/24/2023 9:30 AM
131		5/24/2023 8:59 AM
132	Supporting members who are already qualified maintain their standing in the profession without making them do additional exams. This devalues our expertise	5/24/2023 7:20 AM
133	Make it easier for CILEX lawyers to run their own regulated and remain away from the SRA	5/23/2023 4:22 PM
134	Being the regulator of choice for ANY specialist lawyer	5/22/2023 4:43 PM
135	5	5/22/2023 2:58 PM
136	Working with Fellows to help them obtain practice rights	5/21/2023 7:41 PM
137	Maintaining the pressure to ensure CILEX Lawyers are understood to be as capable (and in most instances) more experienced in their specialisms. Informing the public of the benefits using a CILEX lawyer can have and ensuring their work is recognised within the more traditional legal circles.	5/19/2023 9:36 AM
138		5/19/2023 9:21 AM
139	Ensuring that regulated professionals carry out regulated activities and clamping down on impostors and frauds.	5/18/2023 8:31 PM
140	Raise the profile of cilex fellows. Not concentrate on para legals.	5/18/2023 8:24 PM
141	to ensure that it's entities are securely regulated and the appropriate insurance/compensation funds are in place to enable it's entities to have the facility of using their own client account without the need to involve a third party.	5/18/2023 3:35 PM
142		5/18/2023 1:43 PM
143		5/18/2023 9:56 AM
144	Setting up law firms	5/18/2023 1:07 AM
145	A regulator should support it's members by showing them how to comply.	5/17/2023 12:58 PM
146		5/17/2023 10:21 AM
147	Ensuring that the marketplace sees parity between all qualified lawyers and advertises the fact that we are often better than solicitors because we have had more to prove	5/17/2023 9:54 AM
148	Increasing practice rights for CILEX lawyers.	5/17/2023 6:40 AM
149	Parity of the level that CILEx members can rise in the judiciary.	5/16/2023 10:33 PM
150	Ensuring cilex practipners are not discriminated against in the workplace/judicial system.	5/16/2023 9:10 PM
151	Enhancing the status of CILEX lawyers by effective and demonstrable steps which can be evidenced	5/16/2023 7:54 PM
152	To show itself as a competent and efficient regulator in its own right and to make its position and work known more broadly within the profession.	5/16/2023 6:26 PM
153	Recognition amongst financial sector - release of assets on probate. Clients are beginning to be advised that only SRA Firms are able to do this.	5/16/2023 5:46 PM

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154		5/16/2023 4:49 PM
155	Focusing on legal executives' rates of pay which can be lower than solicitors and barristers, particularly for in house roles.	5/16/2023 3:10 PM
156	Get rid of CILEX Lawyer and focus on recognising and supporting FCILEX as being fully qualified lawyers in their own right. This undermining and belittling of the level of FCILEX has to stop.	5/16/2023 2:03 PM
157	n/a	5/16/2023 1:59 PM
158	To increase the visibility of CRL regulation in the legal arena	5/16/2023 1:47 PM
159	To remain independent and focus further on the needs of CILEX members.	5/16/2023 1:40 PM
160	They should allow legal executive to practice independently without submitting any portfolio or assessment like solicitors.	5/16/2023 1:21 PM
161	Prioritising education of the public and firms as to the value of their Cilex colleagues and challenging historic bias towards us in a professional context	5/16/2023 1:00 PM
162	Keeping cilex as a individual regulator.	5/16/2023 12:45 PM
163	N/A	5/16/2023 10:00 AM
164	Marking out the benefits and impendence from other Legal providers	5/16/2023 9:49 AM
165	Championing the work of CILEX professionals	5/16/2023 9:48 AM
166	Staying CILEX regulator	5/16/2023 9:42 AM
167	Concentrating on ensuring that all Legal Executives of all grades comply with all regulations	5/16/2023 9:37 AM
168	Raising Fellow's profile in the general community.	5/16/2023 9:21 AM
169	Enhancing the position of Fellows as Authorised Persons	5/16/2023 9:19 AM
170		5/16/2023 8:57 AM
171	Fighting the continuing imbalance in the standing of cilex professionals against the others - solicitors, barristers etc	5/16/2023 8:52 AM
172	Stop in house fighting	5/16/2023 8:50 AM
173	Higher Rights of Audience	5/16/2023 7:57 AM
174	equal status to solicitors	5/16/2023 7:37 AM
175		5/16/2023 1:04 AM
176	Stop over regulation and CRL as well as CILEX ought have just one annual fee. I see no logic for paying for CILEX membership and practice rights separately annually especially when it more than the fees solicitors pay for what seems better overall experience.	5/15/2023 11:00 PM
177	To resolve this split with CILEX	5/15/2023 10:17 PM
178	Dunno	5/15/2023 9:59 PM
179	Increased rights provision work - advocacy and practice rights including emphasis of support in set up of regulation of entities.	5/15/2023 9:33 PM
180	To make Fellows more important	5/15/2023 9:30 PM
181	Championing CILEX members	5/15/2023 9:18 PM
182	Making it clearer to members how to gain practice rights	5/15/2023 8:24 PM
183	Equality seen as same as a qualified solicitor	5/15/2023 8:21 PM

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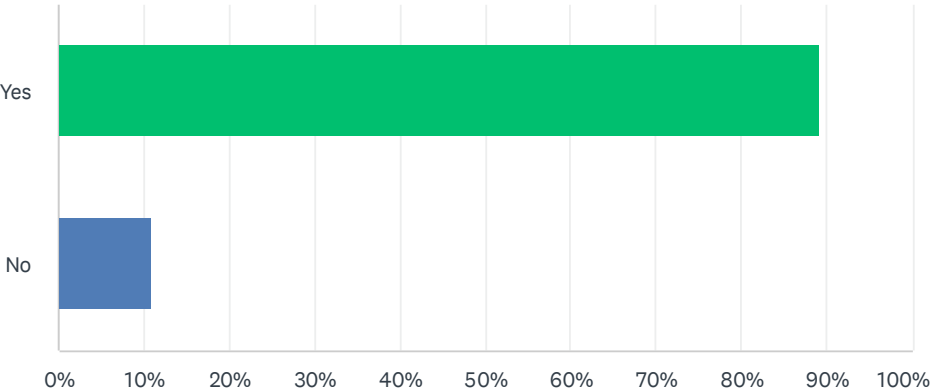
184	Removing the stigma associated with being a CILEX professional	5/15/2023 7:58 PM
185	maintain its growth and independence as a regulator in competition with other regulatory bodies, not seeking to merge in the current paradigm with other regulatory bodies	5/15/2023 6:37 PM
186	Reducing costs to firms, or at least trying to minimise increases	5/15/2023 5:30 PM
187	Increase the access to the overall justice system for those who have qualified through CILEX e.g. advocacy and judicial roles.	5/15/2023 5:04 PM
188	Equal rights.	5/15/2023 4:45 PM
189	xxxx	5/15/2023 4:42 PM
190	Current members	5/15/2023 4:28 PM
191	.	5/15/2023 4:23 PM
192	Effective communication with Cilex members and dealing with Cilex practitioner website errors	5/15/2023 4:16 PM
193	Raising the awareness of CILEX Lawyers.	5/15/2023 4:12 PM
194	Raising the profile of CILEX Lawyers with the general public.	5/15/2023 4:10 PM
195	Greater access to becoming a regulated lawyer and focusing on greater practice rights for CILEx advocates.	5/15/2023 3:35 PM
196	Making it easier for Legal Executives to open and run their own firms.	5/15/2023 3:01 PM
197	Being more professional in the way they deal with applications and improve time by which to deal with them	5/15/2023 2:45 PM
198	Championing CILEX Professionals	5/15/2023 2:40 PM
199	Keeping the membership diverse and giving opportunities for the working class to make it as lawyers	5/15/2023 2:39 PM
200		5/15/2023 2:38 PM
201	The ongoing increase in the breadth of work CILEx members can undertake	5/15/2023 2:35 PM
202	Recognition	5/15/2023 2:28 PM
203	Ensuring that PII is more readily available from a number of insurers on agreed wording with run-off being included	5/15/2023 2:26 PM
204		5/15/2023 2:14 PM
205	Keeping regulation of all CILEx lawyers	5/15/2023 2:10 PM
206	Trying to stop the discrimination that Cilex Lawyers receive from solicitors	5/15/2023 2:08 PM
207	Improve our perception to the wider community	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
208	Cutting costs to the end users	5/15/2023 2:05 PM
209	Ensuring that legal executives are supported in their careers, not petty internal arguments....like this.	5/15/2023 2:02 PM
210	Enhancing reputation of CILEx fellows who are still perceived as paralegals within the professions and wider society.	5/15/2023 2:02 PM
211	Championing CILEx members as there is still so much "snobbery" in the legal profession	5/15/2023 1:59 PM
212	Higher profile in legal framework	5/15/2023 1:49 PM
213	Independent practice rights for all fellows	5/15/2023 1:48 PM
214	CRL regulated firms.	5/15/2023 1:45 PM
215	Promoting CILEx as an equal path to qualification.	5/15/2023 1:38 PM

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216	Growth and recognition	5/15/2023 1:38 PM
217	It is very important that FCILEX members are recognised for their experience, diversity and their qualifications which are and should be recognised and equal to solicitor's. They should be able to set up their own law firms without hinderence	5/15/2023 1:36 PM
218	The ability for properly qualified Advocates and Litigators to be able to achieve Higher Rights of Audience (similarly to Solicitor-Advocates and Barristers) in all Courts.	5/15/2023 1:35 PM
219	Same practice rights as solicitors as part of the Fellowship qualification.	5/15/2023 1:34 PM
220	CILEX fellows having more recognition	5/15/2023 1:25 PM
221	Removing barriers that stop CILEX professionals from working in areas that solicitors can even if it is not in their area of practice.	5/15/2023 1:25 PM
222	Dissolve itself and let the SRA take over	5/15/2023 1:23 PM
223		5/15/2023 1:22 PM
224	Increasing access to other areas of the profession, for example through the Judicial Programme, and making it easier for CILEx Fellows to obtain practice rights.	5/15/2023 1:09 PM
225	Promoting FCILEx as fully qualified lawyers on a par with solicitors Working with lenders so that it is actually realistic for a CILEX law firm to be opened which can deal with conveyancing.	5/15/2023 1:07 PM
226	pushing for more equality in standing between CILEX and other professional qualification.	5/15/2023 1:06 PM

Q7 Do you support independent regulation of all CILEX professionals serving the public?

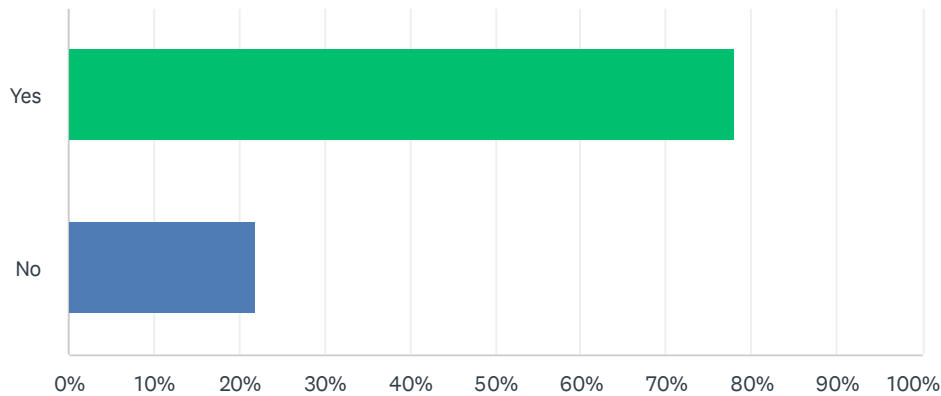
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	89.04%	195
No	10.96%	24
TOTAL		219

Q8 Do you think that CRL should seek to engage with CILEX on reform of regulation for non-authorized CILEX members?

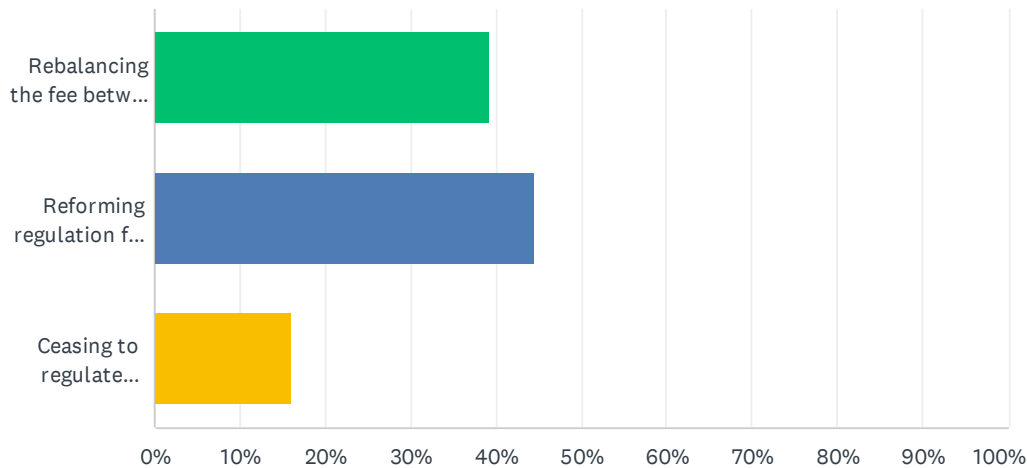
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	78.08%	171
No	21.92%	48
TOTAL		219

Q9 If yes, which of the following below would be your preferred option:

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Rebalancing the fee between authorised and non-authorised individuals	39.29%	44
Reforming regulation for non-authorised members	44.64%	50
Ceasing to regulate non-authorised members	16.07%	18
TOTAL		112

#	PLEASE GIVE REASONS	DATE
1	To make it easier to be included as CILEX authorised members and not to waste the valuable time of the professionals. It would also attract more candidates to CILEX.	6/25/2023 3:32 PM
2	It is important that those who are at all levels of their legal careers are able to contribute to the growth and development of the CILEx brand. Rebalancing the fee will bring a greater pool of resources for marketing the CILEx brand from which all CILEx members will benefit from public recognition.	6/22/2023 10:30 PM
3	The piecemeal approach of trying to regulate those who are on the path to the full qualification I.e. as Fellows, is likely past history has shown, to take away essential focus from enhancing, regulating and empowering Fellows within the profession...the SRA e.g. focus on solicitors practice rights, so too CILEX should give priority and focus to regulating Fellows. Piecemeal approach is detrimental to the value of Fellowship and creates confusion to the public and consumers over whether qualified Fellows are completely qualified lawyers in the area of their specialisms on par with e.g. Solicitors and barristers, whether it caters for fully qualified professionals or is trying to unease 'paralegals' Fellows are often disadvantaged due to this (even if misguided and ill- informed) perception.	6/22/2023 5:35 PM
4	The preferred option would be for the rebalancing of the fee between authorised and non-authorised individuals. There is scope for a model that would provide a fairer balance between the costs of regulation and those who pay for it. It is agreed that this is particularly important with CILEX's acquisition of the Institute of Paralegals which may lead to an increase of approximately 1000 non-authorised individuals.	6/22/2023 12:44 PM
5		6/20/2023 10:59 PM

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6	I didn't actually mean to say yes to this question but the form will not let me go back to change my answer.	6/20/2023 2:25 PM
7	none given	6/19/2023 8:12 AM
8	Standards matter and regulation should reflect the need for standards.	6/16/2023 8:48 AM
9	Why are you focussing on fees here? Very misguided	6/15/2023 1:48 PM
10	I think it important that non-authorised members are regulated, particularly due to the way in which authorisation / qualification is achieved. I am also in agreement that it is not particularly fair for authorised members to foot the bill for the non-authorised - however, I do think that authorised members should bear a greater cost to subsidise the non-authorised. I think it less likely that firms would pay the non-authorised members fees (at least at certain levels) and non-authorised members are going to be paid less. We should not push them away by prohibitive costs and the more who become qualified ultimately helps our profession. Therefore we should help with that cost where we can.	6/15/2023 1:30 PM
11	Unqualified members of Cilex should not be regulated, since this causes a misunderstanding about what a Chartered Legal Executive is.	6/14/2023 11:11 AM
12	.	6/13/2023 1:29 PM
13	IT DEPLETES RESOURCES FOR PROMOTING AUTHORISED MEMBERS	6/9/2023 11:41 PM
14	The boundaries should be clear	6/9/2023 2:22 PM
15	CRL need to regulate ALL members, not just those authorised, as it is increasing that non-authorised members are carrying out work, and whilst they are supervised, there is very little incentive for firms to complete the training that they are giving to support CILEX members	6/9/2023 10:03 AM
16	It is clear the 2007 Act did not give a simple alternative route for CILEX practitioners who re-entered the legal environment after a break say from maternity / illness / redundancy etc;	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
17	If by non regulated you mean students they should remain regulated, other wise how will they learn what it means to be part of a professional body.	6/8/2023 9:40 AM
18	This will create a level playing field for all practitioners	6/7/2023 3:35 PM
19	Tbc	6/5/2023 8:32 PM
20	If someone's non-authorised, the whole point is they don't want or need to be authorised. If they do something terrible, you would say to the public "they're not an authorised member, they would have to satisfy us when applying for authorisation that they're a fit and proper person". Problem solved.	6/5/2023 10:22 AM
21	I think CILEX individuals should be regulated by CRL. I do not think the SRA should cover them under solicitors firms. The SRA still take fees from solicitors even if they are CRL practices so the flexibility should run both ways.	6/1/2023 1:28 PM
22	There needs to be a different approach for authorised and non-authorised and what is expected for both.	5/30/2023 2:04 PM
23	N/k	5/27/2023 2:01 PM
24		5/25/2023 3:36 PM
25	Practising fee for Fellows and CILEX Practitioners are currently higher than the fee for Solicitors, this does not make Fellows/Practitioners economically attractive in the work place.	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
26		5/25/2023 2:28 PM
27	Regulation needs constant updating and reforming as the requirements of the law is growing and changing	5/25/2023 1:40 PM
28	CILEx have changed the rules over the years. I am an FCILEx but do not have practice rights. This despite being a member of STEP since 2012 (much greater academic rigour required to pass their exams than CILEX), a member of SFE since 2014 and i hold an LLM (with commendation). The introduction of a further qualification to become an authorised practitioner,	5/25/2023 11:47 AM

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whenever it occurred, strikes me as an exercise in revenue rather than quality control. Ceasing to regulate non authorised members may be a monumental exercise in self harm (aka shooting oneself in the foot)

29	There is often no differential between authorised and not authorised.	5/25/2023 11:08 AM
30		5/25/2023 10:28 AM
31	It enhances the profession as a whole if regulation of all members engaged in undertaking legal work is across the board and rigorous	5/25/2023 10:26 AM
32		5/25/2023 10:23 AM
33		5/24/2023 9:38 AM
34		5/24/2023 9:18 AM
35	BUT this is too narrow to answer properly	5/22/2023 4:59 PM
36	There is no straight forward answer of what should be done. It is unclear why unauthorised members should be regulated and what level of regulation and oversight they need by Cilex. Therefore reform may be better than just ceasing, but more information would be needed.	5/18/2023 10:14 AM
37	Let's focus on regulating CILEX people	5/17/2023 6:43 AM
38	Regulation by it's very nature should be for authorised members.	5/16/2023 10:39 PM
39	attempting to regulate non CILEX lawyers or solicitors runs the risk of diminishing the status of CILEX lawyers which has come on significant in recent years	5/16/2023 7:59 PM
40	This is a broad subject that does not lend itself to full scrutiny here.	5/16/2023 6:56 PM
41	And also reforming regulation.	5/16/2023 2:14 PM
42	People need a independent way in to the proffession. Not everybody can deal with a class room environment for learning and been able to do this independently of other organisations should always be a priority. Keeping opportunities open for individuals in the future is should also be considered.	5/16/2023 1:02 PM
43	i don't know sorry- so i just picked the middle one	5/16/2023 9:52 AM
44		5/16/2023 2:02 AM

45	there must be a division between authorised and non-authorised. It must be easily visible and clear so non authorised cannot pass off as authorised.	5/15/2023 10:35 PM
46	The needs of the differing memberships vary and it would be better served on regulation of authorised individuals	5/15/2023 9:50 PM
47	I think the fees for grades below Fellow are quite high already by comparison. If those grades aren't strictly in need of regulation at the same level I would support a change in that oversight over the fee (not all CILEx professionals get their fees paid by their employer)	5/15/2023 8:06 PM
48	What is the purpose of regulating a non-authorised member when their activity is under supervision of another regulatory body i.e. a paralegal under a solicitor? CRL could provide the same paralegal with his/her own authorisation to practice independently if that paralegal has worked for certain number of years in a regulated entity and provides a portfolio to become a CRL authorised thus deleting CILEx because it is unclear what services CILEx provides to authorised members and why the same services cannot be provided by CRL directly to its authorised members.	5/15/2023 7:01 PM
49	If they are still being regulated then resources are still being taken up and therefore fees balanced.	5/15/2023 5:15 PM
50		5/15/2023 2:45 PM
51	This seems to be the most balanced option	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
52	n/a	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
53	I pay a fee for myself, my firm and my trainee paralegal so I don't understand why they shouldn't pay regulation fees.	5/15/2023 1:51 PM
54	Even though I have only worked in Private Client throughout my career, a newly qualified solicitor has more rights as an authorised person for Probate than I do, only having done a seat as part of their training contract.	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
55	to share the cost fairly	5/15/2023 1:30 PM

Q10 What do you see as the benefits and risks of having a regulator focused on regulation of the CILEX profession?

Answered: 139 Skipped: 125

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Benefit - awareness of nuances. Risks - possibly seen as too narrow.	6/26/2023 1:49 PM
2	Risk - continues to see CILEx as a second class citizen in terms of legal services with solicitors and barristers seen as the gold standard.	6/26/2023 12:09 PM
3	A Regulator cannot focus unless the CILEX profession supports the recommended regulations. CILEX lawyers represent a new progressive force in the legal profession and CRL must always listen and follow the opinion of CILEX professionals.	6/25/2023 3:32 PM
4	Having a regulator focused on regulation of CILEX profession will enhance accountability among CILEX professionals, enhance their professionalism, and raise the confidence and trust of the general public in CILEX professionals.	6/24/2023 11:33 PM
5		6/23/2023 4:36 PM
6	Benefits - we are specialists, our training is non traditional and we need a regulator who understands our brand, which is CRL. Risks - nothing changes from CILEx and Members are lost to cross qualify as solicitors because the public recognises solicitors but not CILEx Lawyers.	6/22/2023 10:30 PM
7	If they continue to regulate in terms as already identified within the body of my earlier responses. Things seem to have regressed since the piecemeal and limited rights were launched. The focus should be on enhancing and promoting as well as being a hub for compliance issues to support qualified Fellows. The tragic approach of CILEx in past has been to create new avenues for practice rights that ignore their existing practitioners expertise thereby undermining the confidence and opportunities of their existing Fellows with a what things you can't do independently even if already being done, except it be under 'the supervision of a solicitor'....this is not empowering Fellows it is restricting and frustrating them whilst at the same time claiming increased rights for Fellows'. This is almost unique to CILEx as a professional body !	6/22/2023 5:35 PM
8	More opportunity for improvement with greater focus. Risks are that we can fall into trap of too much scrutiny and make workability in practical.	6/22/2023 2:38 PM
9	A regulator focused on regulation of the CILEX profession will be better placed to understand and recognise the value and contribution of the regulated community so will be better equipped to champion the profession. Additionally, it will be easier for the regulator to identify risks to consumers and the public interest. The market continues to change rapidly, and regulatory arrangements need to adapt accordingly. A regulator focused on regulation of the CILEX profession provides scope for rapid response to market changes. The risks associated with a regulator focused only on the regulation of the CILEX profession include the lack of transparency in decision-making and confusion over the independence of the regulator.	6/22/2023 12:44 PM
10	None	6/21/2023 10:16 AM
11		6/20/2023 10:59 PM
12	I think it is central to maintaining our existence as an independent profession. I fear there is a danger that we could be consumed into the SRA as a minor paralegal qualification rather than building on the great traditional and trajectory that has been building up over the last century. I believe having our own regulator is a key part of this as it shows that we have sufficient value to justify one.	6/20/2023 2:25 PM
13	NA	6/20/2023 1:48 PM

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14	CILEX professionals come from a much more diverse background and having a regulator focussed on their profession is essential.	6/19/2023 1:21 PM
15		6/19/2023 12:28 PM
16	no answer	6/19/2023 8:12 AM
17		6/16/2023 4:30 PM
18	Benefits - focused purely on our specific needs and prioritising the issues which are important to us	6/16/2023 12:57 PM
19		6/16/2023 10:52 AM
20	Expertise in the area of CILEX, a watered down understanding by a much larger professions regulator is the road to extinction and will deny access to the legal profession for thousands who do not fit the solicitor mould.	6/16/2023 8:48 AM
21	Previous comments speak to this but the risk is that the current regulator is out of touch with the profession and does not have a clear future focussed strategy nor a confident offering of the CILEX route having credibility for the future. The regulator is currently only concerned with self protection and retaining its authority and hierarchy. As a student, there only benefits from removing these politics and going to the SRA.	6/15/2023 1:48 PM
22	Benefits - regulator understands the unique challenges and issues surrounding CILEx qualified lawyers. As a small organisation it can focus on CILEx as a priority Risks - I suppose perhaps the risk of becoming too inward focussed and missing the wider legal industry picture. My view of CRL thus far is that it is mindful of the wider landscape though.	6/15/2023 1:30 PM
23	Being a priority	6/15/2023 1:12 PM
24	See previous answer - specialist knowledge of the sector and the professionals within it.	6/14/2023 2:42 PM
25	For: Will likely focus on CILEx members and their profession as opposed to independent / Risks: CILEX could be left behind in the profession if the CRL does not improve or work to the benefit of its members	6/14/2023 12:26 PM
26	The opportunity to champion the unique nature and characteristics of Legal Executives is a benefit. The risk is that since we are seen as "other", there is a lack of understanding as to the rigour of the qualification and we are not seen with parity to solicitors by other professionals and by clients.	6/14/2023 11:11 AM
27	.	6/14/2023 3:15 AM
28	The benefits are that CILEX would be seen as a credible organisation and in time a true competitor to the Law Society. I don't see any risks in being regulated.	6/13/2023 1:29 PM
29	Benefits; independence, consumer trust, create/maintain specialist lawyers	6/13/2023 1:15 PM
30	This is difficult to answer & depends on context.	6/13/2023 1:08 PM
31	Benefits- Champion how CILEx are different and specialist lawyers. Risks - Causes confusion for lay people and sols	6/13/2023 1:07 PM
32	see previous - someone 'fighting our corner'	6/13/2023 12:44 PM
33	-	6/12/2023 9:34 PM
34	NO COMMENT	6/10/2023 2:27 PM
35	TO ENSURE WE WORK TO A HIGH STANDARD	6/9/2023 11:41 PM
36	Understanding of people's individual journeys and what makes them unique. A real feel of acceptance. Risk is that the gap between solicitors and legal executives increases rather than decreases	6/9/2023 2:22 PM
37	CRL should focus on CILEX members - this is the reason they exist, but they should perhaps share services with the other regulators (such as the SRA who are in a similar position to ensure regulation across all branches is equal	6/9/2023 10:03 AM
38	As long as there is fair and transparent regulation for all to be held accountable and to the same standard	6/9/2023 9:04 AM

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39	Benefit : Independent review for complaints / financial control protection of clients/ third parties. Risks: Not understanding the workings / set up of CILEX members . May not have sufficient experience within a particular specialist field. May not take the interests of CILEX member 100% into account when complaints are investigated.	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
40	credibility of regulation but without merger with the SRA there is complication for the consumer	6/8/2023 10:12 AM
41	Already said- benefits are specific regulation on a more diverse group of lawyers doing an important job in the legal world and providing pathways for those from less privileged backgrounds to thrive. The risks of joint regulation is that CILEX lawyers are dealt with by a regulator that does not understand them, does not concentrate on them and CILEX just becomes part of the SRA/Law society in the long run.	6/8/2023 9:40 AM
42	IT DOES NOT NEED TO STAND ALONE IT SHOUWL WAORK WITH THE OTHER STAKEHOLDERS IN THE LEGAL PROFESSION AND NOT ADD YET ANOTHER LAYER OF REGULATORS	6/7/2023 7:58 PM
43	Cilex practitioners may possibly get the privilege of being treated other legal professionals and gain same recognition as other professionals in the legal community. The risk will involve Cilex practitioners losing what they have already got now.	6/7/2023 3:35 PM
44		6/7/2023 2:56 PM
45	Greater focus and less likely to become subservient to solicitors	6/7/2023 10:35 AM
46	Increasing the reputation of CILEx in the legal profession.	6/5/2023 8:32 PM
47	Benefits are they know exactly what they're dealing with. Risks is they're out of touch with what other regulators are doing (most clearly seen in the solicitor vs barrister situaiton).	6/5/2023 10:22 AM
48	Checks and balances is necessary not just for the law firms but for the clients' best interests as well - and this includes providing advice and guidance to its members	6/2/2023 2:12 PM
49	I would worry if CRL was just offering to regulate CILEx members but they are not. They are offering the same to all which is good for the market place.	6/1/2023 1:28 PM
50	None. We need consolidation of regulation across the profession. How can it assist the consumer to have so many regulators?	6/1/2023 8:55 AM
51	Provided the regulator has a voice and teeth then I see this as a positive for our needs. Risks is we will be perceived as the poor uncle!	5/30/2023 2:04 PM
52	Better transparency and accountability about what their role is - what they stand for, who they stand for and what exactly they regulate.	5/30/2023 6:29 AM
53	More celebration of Cilex lawyers, More opportunities for Cilex lawyers More work to putting Cilex lawyers on a even platform with traditional lawyers	5/29/2023 5:47 PM
54	Differential treatment by clients and firms	5/27/2023 2:01 PM
55	Independence and choice of regulatory body	5/26/2023 2:22 PM
56	The benefit would be to ensure CLE are compliant and to provide key guidance specifically to CLE and their practice.	5/26/2023 2:13 PM
57	The benefit is that CRL is familiar with the special positions of CILEX members. The principal risk is that it is a small and junior profession.	5/25/2023 7:27 PM
58	A regulator that is not driven by a competing legal faction, e.g. barristers, or solicitors would be a significant preference. Also, having a regulator who primary focus was not the Cilex professional means that it would be susceptible to influence by its existing regulatory subjects.	5/25/2023 4:34 PM
59		5/25/2023 3:36 PM
60	The role of CILEX members is evolving and it is important tat we have a regulator who knows and understands this. We don not merely wish to be treated as third-class practitioners, subsumed into a bigger regulatory picture where the needs of CILEX members may not be best served.	5/25/2023 2:44 PM

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61		5/25/2023 2:37 PM
62	Benefit is regulator has shared connection with regulatory body but equally risk with that, is the regulator and regulatory body do not work effectively to secure shared objectives.	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
63		5/25/2023 2:28 PM
64	I think the benefits outweigh any risks	5/25/2023 1:40 PM
65	Benefit is that the regulator will focus on a single source of membership and perhaps start doing a proper job. Risk is that relevance of a CILEX regulator evaporates and that SRA (who effectively regulate the vast majority of CILEX working in SRA regulated firms) will take over.	5/25/2023 11:47 AM
66	Benefits, more transparency, better access to help for members, more information about you do.	5/25/2023 11:08 AM
67	none	5/25/2023 10:47 AM
68	It's not a bad Thing but it's just another body for CILEX professionals where as solicitors just have SRA. I think that sometimes to try and get parity you make things needlessly complicated for CILEX members	5/25/2023 10:34 AM
69		5/25/2023 10:29 AM
70		5/25/2023 10:28 AM
71	The benefit is that the focus is on a discrete part of the legal profession as a whole which enables the regulator to better understand our role in the profession and how it dovetails with other parts of the profession. I do feel that CILEX professionals are better distanced from some of the issues that have beset the SRA. However, the fact that CILEX professionals working in legal practices would be covered by the same regulator as solicitors would have some benefit in persuading the public that we do the job as well as solicitors (and better in some ways as our training is more vocational) and that would be lost by remaining under CILEX Regulation. On balance though I would favour remaining under CILEX Regulation.	5/25/2023 10:26 AM
72		5/25/2023 10:23 AM
73		5/25/2023 10:22 AM
74	I believe the benefits will bring equality. risk may be confusion during the transition period.	5/25/2023 10:20 AM
75		5/24/2023 9:38 AM
76	I don't really understand this question. Surely a regulator will always be focused on regulation of their regulated members? How can that be anything other than a benefit?	5/24/2023 9:18 AM
77	The Regulator would, hopefully have focus on it's members best interests	5/24/2023 7:27 AM
78	It could end up like the SRA and aim at destroying smaller firms in the same way	5/23/2023 4:26 PM
79	Focusing on CILEx only is likely to be a dead end. CILEx should one of many routes to providing a regulated legal service	5/22/2023 4:59 PM
80	I'm not particularly bothered by the current civil war. Both sides should grow up and work together for the benefit of the profession	5/21/2023 7:50 PM
81	Benefit is an understanding of CILEX profession as unique - SRA would treat CILEX members as second class.	5/19/2023 9:24 AM
82	The major benefit is they are not the SRA! However there are distinct benefits on having a regulator who understands the qualification journey and is invested in the congregation they are overseeing rather than seeing them as high risk junior members of a wider profession.	5/18/2023 8:42 PM
83	it is imperative Cilex members have a regulator supporting their needs as legal professionals, whether that be CRL or SRA.	5/18/2023 3:58 PM
84		5/18/2023 1:48 PM
85	Someone focused on the vision and ideals that Cilex offers that can champion the Cilex route.	5/18/2023 10:14 AM
86		5/18/2023 1:09 AM

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87		5/17/2023 10:25 AM
88	Lumping CILEx with the SRA will ensure that the SRAs current outdated model continues to exist without reform and will therefore make the marketplace worse for clients because the SRA is not innovative whereas CILEx is.	5/17/2023 10:06 AM
89	You understand what we do. You're not insane and bloated like the SRA who take years to do anything and then recover obscene costs. The risk is that different regulators take different priorities which could confuse lay people	5/17/2023 6:43 AM
90	N/A	5/16/2023 10:39 PM
91	The benefit is focus on that particular branch of the profession without political interference from other branches who may feel threatened by a change in status quo. The risks are not clear.	5/16/2023 7:59 PM
92	See 5 above as a preliminary. In terms of benefits, having its own regulator shows a complete and responsible focus on being a stand alone organisation within the profession generally on a par with solicitors and barristers. The downside would come to the fore if the outcomes were not in line with a good standard of professional oversight. Credibility and the perception of performance in line with the other regulators in the field would be essential.	5/16/2023 6:56 PM
93		5/16/2023 4:52 PM
94	Benefit: hopefully understand and respect that CILEX professionals are different to solicitors in their training, background and experience. Risk: If CILEX and CRL continue the way they are, the entire profession will stop seeing FCILEX as valid and qualified lawyers and will just view them as paralegals. They will undermine the professional integrity of Chartered Legal Executives.	5/16/2023 2:14 PM
95	risks: regulation becomes disconnected from other regulated lawyers benefits: recognition of CILEx qualifications	5/16/2023 1:54 PM
96	The benefits are a complete understanding of the CILEX system. The risks are relinquishing total control and oversight of its body to another regulator who's aims are not in the best interests of CILEX.	5/16/2023 1:51 PM
97	To those of us who have worked for our Cilex recognition for some many yearsthe prospects of simply being lumped with another regulator and losing all of our brand indemnity	5/16/2023 1:37 PM
98	It will enhance professional status of Cilex members	5/16/2023 1:36 PM
99	If a regulator is focused on the regulation of cilex proffession this is good because it means that people should be compliant therefore creating less risk all round.	5/16/2023 1:02 PM
100	They will be able to regulate individuals and probably quicker and without favour	5/16/2023 9:56 AM
101	Understanding the differences. Independence from other regulators	5/16/2023 9:53 AM
102	dunno.	5/16/2023 9:52 AM
103	Benefit - fully understands the working of the CILEx profession Risk - becomes too insular	5/16/2023 9:26 AM
104	They have the benefit of us as members	5/16/2023 9:03 AM
105		5/16/2023 9:02 AM
106	N/a	5/16/2023 8:59 AM
107	tailored approach, better understanding of the profession	5/16/2023 7:41 AM
108		5/16/2023 2:02 AM
109	The benefit is that the CILEX regulation can create a better way forward than the traditional old boys network model of control. Risks are of having to stand up to the old boys!	5/15/2023 10:35 PM
110	I consider an alternative regulator would water-down much of the hardwork in raising the profile of the regulated CILEX professionals	5/15/2023 9:50 PM
111	None	5/15/2023 8:25 PM

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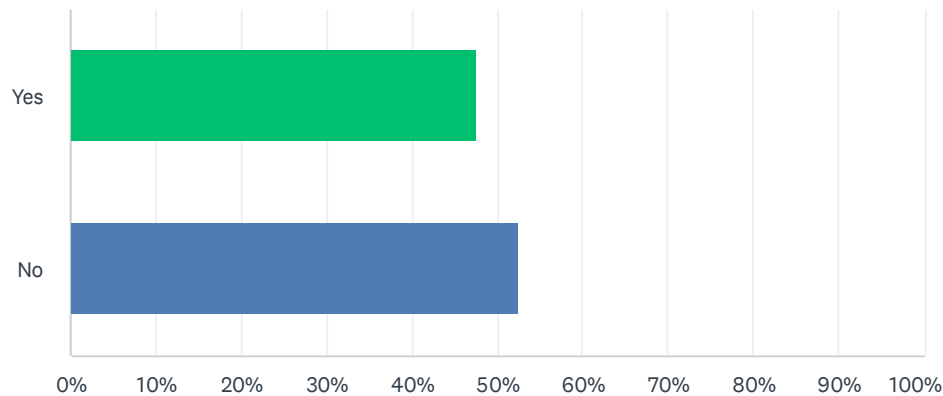
112	Potentially this is a fine balance. Having a separate regulator may be as divisive as it is beneficial.	5/15/2023 8:06 PM
113	Benefits - more people will be likely to seek independent authorisation, the regulator will gain leverage when competing with other regulatory bodies such as the Bar, the regulator has a clear target audience in order to better achieve its aims and objectives risks - the process may take time and a long term PR and implementation of strategy should be considered in order to effectively implement the change/modification being pioneered by CRL in the legal regulatory market.	5/15/2023 7:01 PM
114	CLR has a vested interest in supporting and enhancing members of CILEx	5/15/2023 5:33 PM
115	I dont think I understand the question asked.	5/15/2023 5:15 PM
116	xxx	5/15/2023 4:48 PM
117	..	5/15/2023 4:29 PM
118	Risks - easy to stagnate Benefits - if properly managed can champion the profession.	5/15/2023 4:14 PM
119	The suggestion that regulation be undertaken by the SRA will diminish all the hard work and money invested in the CILEx route to qualification. With fellows still perceived as paralegals there is still much more work to be done.	5/15/2023 3:23 PM
120	None	5/15/2023 3:07 PM
121	Maintaining diversity, uniqueness and tailoring to the membership	5/15/2023 2:48 PM
122		5/15/2023 2:45 PM
123	Unso	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
124	This is a basic requirement and it must act in the best interests of CILEx members whoever they work for or are trading as. The SRA is not the answer to any of the current perceived difficulties	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
125	Support of a specialist and unique brand of lawyers. Holistic helpful and engaging regulation rather than penal regulation. A regulator that understands the unique needs and focus of CILEx lawyers. A regulator that can lobby for changes that will benefit CILEx lawyers. A regulator that is focused and supportive of diversity in the legal profession.	5/15/2023 2:25 PM
126		5/15/2023 2:24 PM
127	Independence and ability to focus on just us are benefits. Cons are duplication of costs.	5/15/2023 2:12 PM
128	n/a	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
129	Sra will protect its own	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
130	In theory, it should understand the issues and difficulties that CILEX lawyers have, and should therefore it makes sense to have a regulator that governs CILEX Lawyers. Swapping to the SRA is stupid and likely to be a "death toll" to CILEX lawyers (of all grades)	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
131	No risks as long as the regulators can all work harmoniously. The benefits are that CRL really know their members.	5/15/2023 1:51 PM
132	Possibly not looking at what other regulators are doing so they can remain proactive	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
133	This will enable them to fully understand how CILEX members practice	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
134	Understanding of CILEX professionals.	5/15/2023 1:41 PM
135	The main risk is as above. For better or for worse an independent CILEX regulator continues to enshrine the view that CILEX lawyers are less than solicitors. The SRA won't grant any equivalency to a CILEX lawyer but will to foreign professionals with no English legal experience.	5/15/2023 1:36 PM
136	benefits - compliance risks - some people thinking they can do things they cant - but this happens anyway	5/15/2023 1:30 PM

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137		5/15/2023 1:27 PM
138	The SRA should regulate CILEx professionals	5/15/2023 1:24 PM
139	Having a Cilex regulator enhances the professionalism of the CILEX Qualification. We must NOT be regulated by the SRA.	5/15/2023 1:16 PM

Q11 Should CRL consult on changing its name, with a view to improving recognition of the distinct roles of CRL and CILEX, and the distinctive professionals it regulates?

Answered: 139 Skipped: 125



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	47.48% 66
No	52.52% 73
TOTAL	139

#	PLEASE GIVE REASONS	DATE
1	I don't think the name is necessarily important.	6/26/2023 1:49 PM
2	It's confusing to have CILEx, CILEx Regulation and CILEx Law School. Not clear who does what. When speaking with candidates I talk about CILEx Orange and CILEx Blue (ie the colour of the websites) to help them navigate around.	6/26/2023 12:09 PM
3	CRL must consult with CILEX and with the distinctive professional it tries to regulate. It would preserve, progress, diversity and unity of the profession.	6/25/2023 3:32 PM
4	A change of name will enhance CRL's corporate image as an independent body, distinct from CILEX. It will reduce the imbalance in CRL's current relationship with CILEX in contrast to other training institutions that produce CILEX professionals.	6/24/2023 11:33 PM
5	Absolutely a change is necessary to demonstrate total independence and should reflect specialist lawyer regulation.	6/22/2023 10:30 PM
6	Anything that moves on from the lack of progress of the current system.	6/22/2023 5:35 PM
7	Would not bring any value in doing so.	6/22/2023 2:38 PM
8	There is confusion as to the identify and role of CRL. The wider profession often mistakes CILEX, the membership body (named as the approved regulator in the Legal Services Act 2007), as being the regulatory body of the profession.	6/22/2023 12:44 PM
9		6/20/2023 10:59 PM
10	I do not have a strong opinion on this. I would have thought it was pretty clear that CILEx is the trade body/exam board and CILEX Regulation the regulator of those CILEx professionals. It's quite clear when you go to the CILEx Regulation page that CRL is the organisation to whom complaints may be submitted re fellows. So I'm not sure what the concern is. That all being	6/20/2023 2:25 PM

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said, I think it would be good to produce a widely available infographic showing the relationship and division of roles between the various organisations carrying the CILEx name. I do get a little confused about who I am dealing with for different enquiries but I do not think this is an issue with the name of the regulator.

11	Possibly as opposed to yes or no.	6/19/2023 8:12 AM
12		6/16/2023 4:30 PM
13	I don't think CILEX or CILEX Reg communicate and consult with its members enough	6/16/2023 12:57 PM
14		6/16/2023 10:52 AM
15	Public understanding of the profession	6/16/2023 8:48 AM
16	A loaded question with no context that will only illicit answers that serve your current interests ..	6/15/2023 1:48 PM
17	I don't feel strongly about this. The name works but if you want to change it, then go ahead.	6/15/2023 1:30 PM
18	No - at this point, given the recent issues that have been publicised in relation to CILEx/CRL, a period of stability is needed. No significant changes should be made at present.	6/14/2023 2:42 PM
19	Changing a name and likely spending a lot of money to do so would have no positive impact on the members or indeed the work which should be done by the CRL to improve recognition.	6/14/2023 12:26 PM
20	There should definitely be a clear distinction between CILEX and its regulatory body. At the moment it is too easy to confuse the two.	6/13/2023 1:29 PM
21	i was already aware of the distinction between the two	6/13/2023 1:15 PM
22	I don't believe that a name change is necessary, although I do agree with improving recognition of roles etc.	6/13/2023 1:08 PM
23	It was not clear to me that CRL and CILEx were two separate companies until looking to start QE/WBL.	6/13/2023 1:07 PM
24	I think this would have negligible benefits	6/13/2023 12:44 PM
25	DISTINCTION NEEDED BETWEEN THE PROFESSIONS	6/9/2023 11:41 PM
26	It is difficult to grasp that CRL and CILEX are two separate entities when they have very similar names	6/9/2023 2:22 PM
27	Again, it is unclear that the Regulator is a separate entity to CILEX and more clarity on the differences would be useful.	6/9/2023 10:03 AM
28	Is this necessary?	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
29	It is confusing when there are 2 professions under separate roles. Could be in one document but spelt out clearly each professionals roles.	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
30	low benefits to name changing	6/8/2023 10:12 AM
31	Why not copy SRA- Legal Executive Regulation Authority- pretty clear what you are responsible for with that name.	6/8/2023 9:40 AM
32	CONSULT YES BUT BE PREPARED TO LISTEN	6/7/2023 7:58 PM
33	There is something in the name. Also, a change is always a good thing. If this particular change is for the good of Cilex practitioners and, will provide Cilex practitioners with the same leverage as others in the legal professional then the objective would have been achieved.	6/7/2023 3:35 PM
34		6/7/2023 2:56 PM
35	I don't see how a change of name will benefit.	6/5/2023 8:32 PM
36	Don't see how it could be any more distinct quite frankly. If the public don't get it currently, then not much more could help.	6/5/2023 10:22 AM
37	CRL needs to completely distinguish itself from CILEX membership. CILEX membership are not doing itself any favours by acting without consulting the members who allow it to operate.	6/1/2023 1:28 PM

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CRL needs to have more independence and its own voice to ensure they are fighting for our members

38	CRL should make itself redundant.	6/1/2023 8:55 AM
39	May be useful to use this present moment in time to use the opportunity to consult on names changes and to make it clearer who does what and why.	5/30/2023 2:04 PM
40	I think we should be SRA regulated	5/27/2023 2:01 PM
41	It is already distinct from the SRA and the Bar Standards Board.	5/25/2023 7:27 PM
42	Yes. Until the untimely scuffle blew up and communications were sent out I personally had never heard of CRL. I was familiar with Cilex. One questions the effectiveness of a regulator, one has never heard of.	5/25/2023 4:34 PM
43		5/25/2023 3:36 PM
44	Not sure that a change of name improves recognition of the distinct roles	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
45		5/25/2023 2:28 PM
46	Public recognition is vital to give members of the public confidence with the profession they are dealing with	5/25/2023 1:40 PM
47	Cilex regulation needs more than a name change to improve recognition.	5/25/2023 11:47 AM
48	The name you have does not stand out and is no where near as prominent as the SRA for example. Do consumers even know you exist?	5/25/2023 11:08 AM
49		5/25/2023 10:28 AM
50	I reiterate that the public needs greater information about what we do and how we do it and where we slot in to the provision of legal services. A name change is unlikely to make much difference with that	5/25/2023 10:26 AM
51		5/25/2023 10:23 AM
52		5/24/2023 9:38 AM
53		5/24/2023 9:18 AM
54	YES to name change but not for that reason. Change to reflect aspirations. And how could a name change improve recognition of the roles? CILEx Regulation can sensibly only mean one thing ...	5/22/2023 4:59 PM
55	There are more important things to spend OUR money on	5/21/2023 7:50 PM
56	Unnecessary.	5/18/2023 8:42 PM
57	I have no preference on the regulator's name. I am just bemused that Cilex and CRL are not working together to resolve matters. I have been a member of Cilex for over 20 years and set up my own successful entity 6 years ago with the assistance of CRL. I could not have done this under SRA. I am therefore grateful to CRL for this opportunity. Now I would like Cilex to work with CRL to sort out this disagreement. In all honesty, I do not really understand the issues! It sounds to me that it is all about internal politics which are now affecting Cilex Members. If the SRA is the way forward, Cilex should ensure that our entities and members are able to move to SRA smoothly and without disruption.	5/18/2023 3:58 PM
58		5/18/2023 1:48 PM
59	I am not sure a name would make much difference. Often actions can speak louder. If CRL wants to change its name, I am not opposed, but that would be for CRL to determine and not those it regulates.	5/18/2023 10:14 AM
60	This doesn't seem necessary	5/17/2023 10:25 AM

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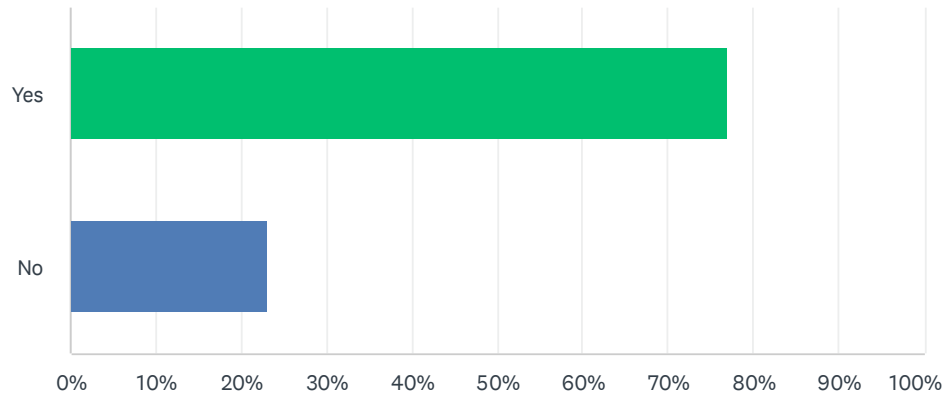
61	You regulate CILEX. Let that remain your name	5/17/2023 6:43 AM
62	Seems unnecessary.	5/16/2023 10:39 PM
63	The Law Society with its SRA and the Bar with its BSB present an impression of separation and oversight that CILEX and CRL does not seem to convey. More a matter of marketing than anything I suspect. Also see 14 below.	5/16/2023 6:56 PM
64		5/16/2023 4:52 PM
65	CRL sounds intimidating and as if they are trying to mimic the SRA. It wasn't broken so why fix it? This is my view - the fact I have one indicates the importance of consultation amongst the membership. You don't know people have views or the depth of feeling without consultation.	5/16/2023 2:14 PM
66	i don't even know the difference between the two to be honest. This has never been properly explained to the membership	5/16/2023 1:37 PM
67	It is not necessary	5/16/2023 1:36 PM
68	Cilex should remain cilex. I don't think a brand change is something that will be favoured. Cilex is a beautiful company that has been nurtured and incubated please don't destroy this baby.	5/16/2023 1:02 PM
69	It gives the appearance of being one organisation at the moment not separate.	5/16/2023 9:56 AM
70	Maybe	5/16/2023 9:52 AM
71	it clear from the name who the regulatory body is	5/16/2023 9:03 AM
72	Ever since joining cilex in 2014 i have found it difficult to understand the difference between the two, their roles, responsibilities. The similar sounding names confuse the matter	5/16/2023 8:59 AM
73	dont see the point CRL is self explanatory	5/16/2023 7:41 AM
74		5/16/2023 2:02 AM
75	the names are so similar that it is confusing to define who does what. A different name would make the roles clearer	5/15/2023 10:35 PM
76	Chartered Legal Executive Regulatory / ion Authority (akin to SRA)	5/15/2023 9:50 PM
77	Im not sure anyone gets the two confused	5/15/2023 8:06 PM
78	That will prolong material change which has to take place on the public awareness side - i.e. court documents till date state ILEX – suggests name change is not effective therefore public awareness will also be limited, public awareness is by securing a clear marketing strategy focused on the individuals who CRL wants to regulate i.e. unsuccessful Bar graduates who have the capacity and skills to secure independent practice rights and the Bar itself is already unable to fit the modern paradigm, if CRL takes advantage if this it will be the next regulator for specialists in the legal field and bringing the profession as a whole in the 21 century	5/15/2023 7:01 PM
79	At times I have found a confusion (mainly during qualification process) as to when to refer a matter or question to CILEX and when to refer it to CILEX regulations and I think a better distinction between the two will assist.	5/15/2023 5:15 PM
80	xx	5/15/2023 4:48 PM
81	.	5/15/2023 4:29 PM
82	Even as a CILEX Lawyer I find the entities confusing, new names will make it clearer to other professionals and the public.	5/15/2023 4:14 PM
83	It is unclear to everyone outside the membership that there are 2 separate and distinct bodies. Even after reading recent articles in the Law Gazette about the consultation regarding the professional body's break from the regulator, I had to explain to colleagues, they were 2 separate bodies.	5/15/2023 3:23 PM

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84	I am not convinced that it would make any significant difference.	5/15/2023 3:07 PM
85	Its fine as it is. Everyone knows the name. Why incur costs of rebranding	5/15/2023 2:48 PM
86		5/15/2023 2:45 PM
87	I have always thought the name was confusing to consumers	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
88	I think it is important that the public are aware that the two bodies are different. However, maybe the name should be the CILEx lawyers regulation authority just as the SRA is the Solicitors regulation authority and CILEx itself should change its name!	5/15/2023 2:25 PM
89		5/15/2023 2:24 PM
90	As it stands they are not divisible enough. That said It will costs money and now isnt the time to be spending money on rebranding.	5/15/2023 2:12 PM
91	Why ? What would a name change achieve	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
92	It is quite clear what it does with this name. This seems a pointless exercise consideration.	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
93	It is too confusing for members let alone the consumer.	5/15/2023 1:51 PM
94	I think the name is clear.	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
95	I would rather CRL be folded into the SRA.	5/15/2023 1:36 PM
96	to ensure that everyone is aware of who is who	5/15/2023 1:30 PM
97		5/15/2023 1:27 PM
98	Both are not fit for purpose.	5/15/2023 1:24 PM
99	this would have very little positive effect for CILEx members, a waste of time and money	5/15/2023 1:16 PM

Q12 Should CRL undertake a feasibility study into the costs and benefits of assuming all or more of the function's ancillary to its work, with a view to changing its operational arrangements with CILEX, potentially to increase its operational independence and secure cost savings?

Answered: 139 Skipped: 125



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	76.98%	107
No	23.02%	32
TOTAL		139

#	PLEASE GIVE REASONS	DATE
1	Not really concerned.	6/26/2023 1:49 PM
2	The present arrangements that CILEX has with CRL is more beneficial to CILEX and consumers.	6/25/2023 3:32 PM
3	CRL will remain under the shadows of CILEx whilst a delegated regulator. CRL are able to operate independently with the expertise that they have in the specialist legal services industry and the solid reputation they have achieved in a short period of time.	6/22/2023 10:30 PM
4	But please don't overbudget, it needs to be seen to be effective, transparent, enabling, fit for purpose	6/22/2023 5:35 PM
5	The results of such a study are likely to improve transparency within the profession, there will be a better understanding of operational arrangements with CILEX. If the study indicates potential to increase operational independence and/or scope to secure costs savings this will benefit the regulated profession.	6/22/2023 12:44 PM
6		6/20/2023 10:59 PM
7	I really do not know enough about the current set-up to answer this in any detail. What I will add is that I do not see any concern about the costs associated with CRL. My employer pays my CILEx fees so it has little impact on me. And I don't sense that my employer finds the current costs onerously high. I can see the argument for discounted fees for sole practitioners but a few hundred pounds a year in regulatory fees seems pretty inconsequential to me.	6/20/2023 2:25 PM
8	none given	6/19/2023 8:12 AM

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9		6/16/2023 4:30 PM
10	If CILEX is concerned it has outgrown CILEX Reg then CILEX Reg should provide reassurance as to how it will continue to grow and evolve to support and promote its regulated community	6/16/2023 12:57 PM
11		6/16/2023 10:52 AM
12	Options are needed	6/16/2023 8:48 AM
13	A poorly worded question - are you asking to extend your reach? The answer is no.	6/15/2023 1:48 PM
14	CILEX appear to have unilaterally and without public comment decided that it should move regulation to SRA. This has caused a damaging and unseemly public spat. CILEX appear to be focussed on selling itself as an education provider. It certainly does not seem interested in the views or interest of CILEx members.	6/15/2023 1:30 PM
15	Again - a period of stability is needed for the moment and any further planned reforms/changes etc. should be approached with caution.	6/14/2023 2:42 PM
16	Dont know	6/14/2023 11:11 AM
17	There should be proper reasoning as to the benefit of having CRL in place. There has been too much in the way of internal arguments that have been broadcast publically and which has made its members very nervous for the future of CILEX.	6/13/2023 1:29 PM
18	GREATER RECOGNITION IS NEEDED	6/9/2023 11:41 PM
19	Knowing the market can only benefit memebrs	6/9/2023 2:22 PM
20	Yes, CRL need to create a clearer divide between them and CILEX and if taking on responsibility for all functions it needs to operate assists then this should be done	6/9/2023 10:03 AM
21	The costs are likely to be exhorbitant! who will bear the costs? As professionals could appoint within each organisation representatives who understand the roles of each profession.	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
22	the benefits are unclear	6/8/2023 10:12 AM
23	Sensible.	6/8/2023 9:40 AM
24	COST AWARENESS IS IMPORTANT	6/7/2023 7:58 PM
25	Again, feasibility study into those two areas will mean a change and a movement forward to independence and security.	6/7/2023 3:35 PM
26	It is important to continually review this.	6/5/2023 8:32 PM
27	I am not happy with how CILEX manage our membership. They do not have our best interests at heart and do not seem to want to promote the benefits of CILEX membership and advisers.	6/1/2023 1:28 PM
28	That would serve only to increase costs	6/1/2023 8:55 AM
29	Anything which secures cost savings must be in all our best interest.	5/30/2023 2:04 PM
30	I think we should be SRA regulated	5/27/2023 2:01 PM
31	It's always good to be independent and at lower cost.	5/25/2023 7:27 PM
32	Yes, With caveats. A feasibility study, sets out feasibility. It by itself in isolation, does not determine future direction. It should form part of a wider consideration.	5/25/2023 4:34 PM
33		5/25/2023 3:36 PM
34	It is important that the regulator is independent of the member body it regulates. This should be in terms of its autonomy and it's financial security.	5/25/2023 2:44 PM
35		5/25/2023 2:37 PM
36	Agree that operational arrangements should be reviewed to achieve cost savings, this should be an ongoing consideration but not sure if the objective should be to increase operational independence.	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
37		5/25/2023 2:28 PM

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38	C R L should continue as set out herein	5/25/2023 1:40 PM
39	Because if the person setting the questions for this survey cannot even get their punctuation correct, then there seems little point. 'function's ancilliary ...' should read 'functions ancilliary' as the word 'functions' is used in the sentence as a plural, not possessive.	5/25/2023 11:47 AM
40	I say yes but this needs to be explained to us better, what does this mean exactly, does it mean that CILEX and you will spend more time arguing about things than doing things?	5/25/2023 11:08 AM
41	can't see any benefit and it would most likely cost a fortune	5/25/2023 10:47 AM
42		5/25/2023 10:29 AM
43		5/25/2023 10:26 AM
44	Anything that increases the value for money from the practice fee is to be welcomed	5/25/2023 10:23 AM
45		5/24/2023 9:38 AM
46		5/24/2023 9:18 AM
47	Again, this is a hugely complicated question which does not permit a sensible Yes or No. What functions?	5/22/2023 4:59 PM
48	If it saves members money then yes	5/21/2023 7:50 PM
49	No cogent reasons for change advanced	5/18/2023 8:42 PM
50	Cilex should be supporting CRL - you both should be singing from the same hymn sheet. You both should be supporting and promoting Cilex members - you are clearly not at this moment in time!	5/18/2023 3:58 PM
51		5/18/2023 1:48 PM
52	I have no opinion on this. But no harm in a study.	5/18/2023 10:14 AM
53		5/17/2023 10:25 AM
54	The recent differences of opinion seem to speak for themselves here.	5/16/2023 6:56 PM
55	Without a feasibility study how would they be able to make feasible proposals and projections?	5/16/2023 2:14 PM
56	The current system, within the current framework, performs well.	5/16/2023 1:51 PM
57	No idea as above	5/16/2023 1:37 PM
58	Unsure.	5/16/2023 1:02 PM
59	There should be clear water between the two organisations	5/16/2023 9:56 AM
60	don't bother.	5/16/2023 9:52 AM
61	need to come to some agreement with CILEx to go forward	5/16/2023 9:03 AM
62	As long as the cost for this study does not get passed on to its members	5/16/2023 8:59 AM
63		5/16/2023 2:02 AM
64	If it is a feasibility study, the results should show the way forward	5/15/2023 10:35 PM
65	But make it focussed and proportionate. Navel gazing not required	5/15/2023 9:50 PM
66	This is one of CILEX concerns as I understand matters so if CRL are to stay as the regulator for CILEX professionals then the two must work together to enact positive change	5/15/2023 8:06 PM
67	In order to obtain all necessary information before making any decision or setting up any strategy	5/15/2023 7:01 PM
68	Until the recent press came to light, I as a CILEX member were not aware of any issues and this raises concern as to whether there are other underlying issues that may need to be looked into further. At this stage further studies and assessments could be beneficial.	5/15/2023 5:15 PM

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69	how can you make any decisions before carrying out a costs benefit analysis	5/15/2023 4:48 PM
70	.	5/15/2023 4:29 PM
71	I am ambivalent on this point, but there is no option for 'uncertain'.	5/15/2023 3:07 PM
72	Maybe - sounds expensive in the short run	5/15/2023 2:48 PM
73		5/15/2023 2:45 PM
74	I do not see that this is required and CILEx should promote the profession	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
75	For the reasons stated in the question ref costs savings and also because CRL will have more independence from CILEx, who clearly seem to be no longer interested in working with CRL or in supporting CILEx lawyers	5/15/2023 2:25 PM
76	Only on the strict provision that costs saving is the priority.	5/15/2023 2:12 PM
77	There is no point in doing this unless the cost/benefit is known	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
78	Anything that ultimately benefits its members must be considered to be a good thing.	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
79	If they want to be independent they really should be.	5/15/2023 1:51 PM
80	I would rather CRL be folded into the SRA.	5/15/2023 1:36 PM
81	to save costs and ensure compliance and regulation	5/15/2023 1:30 PM
82		5/15/2023 1:27 PM

Q13 Are there any reasons or objections in principle to CRL undertaking all/more of its own operational functions?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	No.	6/26/2023 1:49 PM
2	No	6/26/2023 12:09 PM
3	It would be a great disadvantage to CILEX members if CRL undertakes more of its own operational functions. It would make CRL distant from the CILEX membership.	6/25/2023 3:32 PM
4	No	6/24/2023 11:33 PM
5		6/23/2023 4:36 PM
6	I have no objections at all. I believe that CRL can thrive away from the control held over them by CILEx by virtue of them being a delegated regulator. CRL should be a regulator of legal services in their own right and that includes expanding their reach to solicitors and other legal professionals.	6/22/2023 10:30 PM
7		6/22/2023 5:35 PM
8	No	6/22/2023 2:38 PM
9	No. The LSB support regulators increasing operational independence and cultural autonomy. Both CILEX and CRL support there being complete structural separation for CRL. It is also thought the overall cost to the regulated community could be reduced.	6/22/2023 12:44 PM
10	Only the points mentioned above.	6/21/2023 10:16 AM
11	None	6/20/2023 10:59 PM
12	I am not sure.	6/20/2023 2:25 PM
13	N	6/20/2023 1:48 PM
14	no	6/19/2023 1:21 PM
15	No	6/19/2023 12:28 PM
16	No reasons	6/19/2023 8:12 AM
17	No	6/16/2023 4:30 PM
18	I have no objections I can think of right now	6/16/2023 12:57 PM
19		6/16/2023 10:52 AM
20	None	6/16/2023 8:48 AM
21	You are not open to the profession and the users - you will therefore not serve them properly. You are failing to have an adequate form of customer service now - so it is doubtful that extending your activities would benefit customers. There has been no evidence provided for the needs of customers, members, employers and the profession Also - feels like you are punishing CILEX for being naughty!	6/15/2023 1:48 PM
22	No - so long as CRL ensure that it has the capacity to undertake those functions properly. One of the biggest issues I have with CRL and CILEx is neither appear to be able to communicate very well.	6/15/2023 1:30 PM
23	No	6/15/2023 1:12 PM
24	No	6/14/2023 2:42 PM

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25	None	6/14/2023 12:26 PM
26	No	6/14/2023 11:11 AM
27	No	6/14/2023 3:15 AM
28	No	6/13/2023 1:29 PM
29	no	6/13/2023 1:15 PM
30	No.	6/13/2023 1:08 PM
31	No	6/13/2023 1:07 PM
32	no	6/13/2023 12:44 PM
33	-	6/12/2023 9:34 PM
34	NO	6/10/2023 2:27 PM
35	NONE	6/9/2023 11:41 PM
36	No	6/9/2023 2:22 PM
37	None	6/9/2023 10:03 AM
38	As above. Provided it is transparent and not going to jeopardise those of us trying to work and uphold standards daily.	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
39	We need for autonomy - would be giving too much control if CRL took over all operational functions .	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
40	the benefits are unclear	6/8/2023 10:12 AM
41	None in principle- but I am unsure in practical terms if both organisations rely on shared support function etc?	6/8/2023 9:40 AM
42	NO IF THAT IS COST EFFECTIVE	6/7/2023 7:58 PM
43	I do not have any objections in principle to CLR undertaking its own operational functions.	6/7/2023 3:35 PM
44		6/7/2023 2:56 PM
45	No	6/7/2023 10:35 AM
46	Unknown	6/5/2023 8:32 PM
47	Only thing to say is the SRA offers very bad value for money, and the fewer functions it has the better. I'm not sure how good CRL is.	6/5/2023 10:22 AM
48	No	6/2/2023 2:12 PM
49	no	6/1/2023 1:28 PM
50	Yes, it would serve to increase costs	6/1/2023 8:55 AM
51	No. Would make sense.	5/30/2023 2:04 PM
52	The way it's been dealt with so hand appears underhand. Some members didn't even know until it was in the law gazette. Need a clear road map. Why the change, what do you hope to achieve and why, when the changes will happen and what the benefit is. There should be no risks in the road map plan.	5/30/2023 6:29 AM
53	No	5/29/2023 5:47 PM
54	As above	5/27/2023 2:01 PM
55	No	5/26/2023 2:22 PM
56	No	5/26/2023 2:13 PM
57	No.	5/25/2023 7:27 PM
58	Concern on increased costs.	5/25/2023 4:34 PM

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59		5/25/2023 3:36 PM
60	No.	5/25/2023 2:44 PM
61		5/25/2023 2:37 PM
62	None	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
63		5/25/2023 2:28 PM
64	I do not see any objections	5/25/2023 1:40 PM
65	Yup, see 12 above	5/25/2023 11:47 AM
66	Only my concern that you and CILEX will spend more time arguing and no time actually doing.	5/25/2023 11:08 AM
67	no feelings either way	5/25/2023 10:47 AM
68	..	5/25/2023 10:34 AM
69		5/25/2023 10:29 AM
70		5/25/2023 10:28 AM
71	I do not see that such a move would be detrimental in principle	5/25/2023 10:26 AM
72		5/25/2023 10:23 AM
73		5/25/2023 10:22 AM
74	No	5/25/2023 10:20 AM
75		5/24/2023 9:38 AM
76	No	5/24/2023 9:18 AM
77	As long as stays away from SRA	5/24/2023 7:27 AM
78	None at all	5/23/2023 4:26 PM
79	I think you need to better explain the arguments to members so we know what all the fuss is about	5/22/2023 4:59 PM
80	No	5/21/2023 7:50 PM
81	No	5/19/2023 9:24 AM
82	No	5/18/2023 8:42 PM
83	No	5/18/2023 3:58 PM
84		5/18/2023 1:48 PM
85	No	5/18/2023 10:14 AM
86	a	5/18/2023 1:09 AM
87	a/c	5/17/2023 10:25 AM
88	No	5/17/2023 10:06 AM
89	No	5/17/2023 6:43 AM
90	No.	5/16/2023 10:39 PM
91	no	5/16/2023 7:59 PM
92	No	5/16/2023 6:56 PM
93		5/16/2023 4:52 PM
94	No. If the SRA are allowed to be left to manage the scope of their operational functions then so should CRL. It is the ame principle.	5/16/2023 2:14 PM

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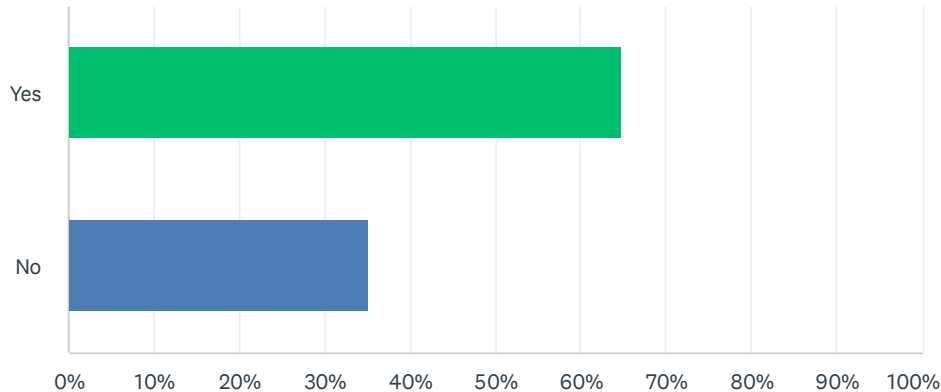
95	No	5/16/2023 1:54 PM
96	It would help if the functions were defined within this consultation.	5/16/2023 1:51 PM
97	I don't know who does what so I cannot formulate an opinion	5/16/2023 1:37 PM
98	No	5/16/2023 1:36 PM
99	Unaware.	5/16/2023 1:02 PM
100	as above	5/16/2023 9:56 AM
101	No comment on this	5/16/2023 9:53 AM
102	.	5/16/2023 9:52 AM
103	CRL should have operational independence	5/16/2023 9:26 AM
104	no	5/16/2023 9:03 AM
105		5/16/2023 9:02 AM
106	None	5/16/2023 8:59 AM
107	not really	5/16/2023 7:41 AM
108		5/16/2023 2:02 AM
109	No. I think it would be better	5/15/2023 10:35 PM
110	No	5/15/2023 9:50 PM
111	No	5/15/2023 8:25 PM
112	None that I can think of	5/15/2023 8:06 PM
113	none	5/15/2023 7:01 PM
114	No	5/15/2023 5:33 PM
115	No.	5/15/2023 5:15 PM
116	yes - why have two when you can carry on with one, it cannot be more cost effective to duplicate	5/15/2023 4:48 PM
117	.	5/15/2023 4:29 PM
118	Lack of communication from CRL has been a past issue, it would need to improve.	5/15/2023 4:14 PM
119	On reading the comments on the Law Gazette there is much criticism about the SRA and especially the disconnect between the Law Society and SRA. Duplication costs is wasteful and leads to the demand for more money without seeing an practical returns the professionals or clients.	5/15/2023 3:23 PM
120	No	5/15/2023 3:07 PM
121	No	5/15/2023 2:48 PM
122		5/15/2023 2:45 PM
123	None	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
124	No	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
125	None	5/15/2023 2:25 PM
126		5/15/2023 2:24 PM
127	None	5/15/2023 2:12 PM
128	Not known	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
129	No	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
130	None. Seems to make sense	5/15/2023 1:52 PM

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131	No	5/15/2023 1:51 PM
132	No	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
133	No	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
134	None	5/15/2023 1:41 PM
135	I anticipate that would increase costs and therefore registration fees which are already about the level solicitors pay.	5/15/2023 1:36 PM
136		5/15/2023 1:30 PM
137	Not doing a great job now.	5/15/2023 1:27 PM
138	CILEx itself is not fit for purpose. When CILEx changed members' titles, they killed off all credibility of Fellows etc. Being advised by an 'Advanced Paralegal' certainly doesn't give clients the confidence it would if they instructed a 'Solicitor'. CILEx is unfit to manage or regulate itself or anyone else. The SRA should review and consider all CILEx Members and admit them as solicitors if they meet the requisite competencies. CILEx should then be dissolved. Despite spending 7 years to 'qualify' with CILEx, because of the disorganisation and mayhem, I am being forced to now also do the SQE at significant cost just to be recognised as anything but a laughing stock amongst my peers.	5/15/2023 1:24 PM
139	No	5/15/2023 1:16 PM

Q14 Do you consider that increasing operational separation is a desirable goal?

Answered: 139 Skipped: 125



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	64.75% 90
No	35.25% 49
TOTAL	139

#	PLEASE GIVE REASONS	DATE
1	Possibly, not a big issue to me.	6/26/2023 1:49 PM
2	It feels very cottage industry compared to SRA/BSB and more rigour in regulation might be archived with separation.	6/26/2023 12:09 PM
3	The two bodies - CRL and CILEX - should always work together and not to be separated in the exercise of function. It would stop the best ability and flexibility of CILEX, and it will prevent members from joining CILEX.	6/25/2023 3:32 PM
4	I do believe this has to be inevitable to preserve the CILEx brand due to the damage done by CILEx in them failing the membership by not consulting on issues that affect us before they make decisions. CRL need to be completely operationally independent for there to be any future for CILEx Lawyers as specialists within the legal services.	6/22/2023 10:30 PM
5	What precisely is meant, please clarify and explain how this would work	6/22/2023 5:35 PM
6	It may improve understanding of the role CRL undertakes. CRL may also be able to achieve efficiency gains by handling more of its own administrative functions and reduce the overall cost to the regulated community could be reduced.	6/22/2023 12:44 PM
7		6/20/2023 10:59 PM
8	I am not currently aware of any problems with the CILEx set-up so I'm just not sure what problem this is trying to solve for.	6/20/2023 2:25 PM
9	none given	6/19/2023 8:12 AM
10		6/16/2023 4:30 PM
11	This is yes and no - I understand the need for operational separation between CILEX and its regulator to ensure true independence, but this should not come at the cost of smooth	6/16/2023 12:57 PM

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	communication between the two entities and its members	
12	For the reasons above	6/15/2023 1:48 PM
13	As above	6/15/2023 1:30 PM
14	A regulator should be separate from the people it regulates so a focus on this is sensible	6/14/2023 2:42 PM
15	It would see more independence and give more credence to the work undertaken	6/14/2023 12:26 PM
16	Don't know	6/14/2023 11:11 AM
17	The regulator should absolutely be operationally separate and completely independent.	6/13/2023 1:29 PM
18	to be able to successfully regulate then operational separation sounds a must	6/13/2023 1:15 PM
19	Giving clear boundaries can only help consumers and members	6/9/2023 2:22 PM
20	yes	6/9/2023 10:03 AM
21	I don't know what this means , it depends from whose perspective.	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
22	Do not want to see CRL & CILEX as time goes on getting into unsurmountable disagreements that causes them to seek judicial reviews - must work together for the benefit of the public and members.	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
23	the benefits are unclear	6/8/2023 10:12 AM
24	Makes it cleaner and transparent.	6/8/2023 9:40 AM
25	IT NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT HOLISTICALLY	6/7/2023 7:58 PM
26	So CLR can function within its own independent sphere.	6/7/2023 3:35 PM
27	As above.	6/5/2023 8:32 PM
28	Don't really know what you mean by this.	6/5/2023 10:22 AM
29	It has not worked well so far and the relationship seems to be broken and estranged In fact the current situation is highly embarrassing	6/2/2023 2:12 PM
30	I think they should be responsible for collection and distribution of membership fees	6/1/2023 1:28 PM
31	The sector needs consolidation	6/1/2023 8:55 AM
32	More independency has to be a good thing.	5/30/2023 2:04 PM
33	I am unsure.	5/30/2023 6:29 AM
34	providing alternatives cannot be a bad thing	5/26/2023 2:22 PM
35	A regulator should be independent, but I think CRL is already more independent of its regulated profession than the SRA.	5/25/2023 7:27 PM
36	As a general principle there should always be separation between the regulator and its regulatory subjects.	5/25/2023 4:34 PM
37		5/25/2023 3:36 PM
38	Independence is key to maintaining consumer trust and credibility within the profession.	5/25/2023 2:44 PM
39		5/25/2023 2:37 PM
40	The publicised breakdown in transparency, openness and professional communication between CILEX and CRL has not enhanced public confidence, highlights that there needs to be operational separation.	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
41		5/25/2023 2:28 PM
42	CILEX can effectively regulate itself	5/25/2023 1:40 PM
43	a membership organisation should be there to represent and assist their members. Regulation is a separate function.	5/25/2023 11:47 AM
44	I cannot answer this as I don't have enough information from you as to the pros and cons of	5/25/2023 11:08 AM

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this. I have ticked yes because I had to give an answer!

45		5/25/2023 10:29 AM
46		5/25/2023 10:28 AM
47	I'm not clear what is being asked her	5/25/2023 10:26 AM
48		5/25/2023 10:23 AM
49	.	5/25/2023 10:22 AM
50	this will bring recognition.	5/25/2023 10:20 AM
51		5/24/2023 9:38 AM
52		5/24/2023 9:18 AM
53	But only if it increases efficiency (including but not confined to cost). And also because based on recent history CILEx is not to be trusted which makes relying on them for operations is unacceptable.	5/22/2023 4:59 PM
54	I think you need to better explain the arguments to members so we know what all the fuss is about	5/21/2023 7:50 PM
55	No good reason for change advanced. I am disappointed that this seems to be a deeply personal squabble between the two institutions to the detriment of all of us.	5/18/2023 8:42 PM
56	As previously mentioned, if Cilex can secure a smooth transition for entities/Cilex members to SRA, then so be it. If not, Cilex should be supporting its current regulator, CRL.	5/18/2023 3:58 PM
57	I have no opinion on this. If the current model is working, I don't see much need for change.	5/18/2023 10:14 AM
58	The recent negative dialogue between CILEx and CRL has damaged the reputation of CILEx lawyers in the marketplace	5/17/2023 10:06 AM
59	The oversight function must be seen as independent. As an Independent Custody Visitor and Independent Evaluator for an OPCC as well as previously served as the Vice-Chair of the Independent Stop and Search and Use of Force Scrutiny Panels and the Independent Monitoring Board it seems obvious that the answer is in the name as long as the reality lives up to it.	5/16/2023 6:56 PM
60	With separation should come mutual accountability.	5/16/2023 2:14 PM
61	Cilex should be it's own regulator.	5/16/2023 1:02 PM
62	as above	5/16/2023 9:56 AM
63	i've no idea sorry.	5/16/2023 9:52 AM
64	There should be a firewall between the regulator and the professional body	5/16/2023 9:26 AM
65	need to work together for the benefits of its member	5/16/2023 9:03 AM
66	this question needs explanation	5/16/2023 7:41 AM
67		5/16/2023 2:02 AM
68	To have full autonomy	5/15/2023 10:35 PM
69	Regulation does require independence	5/15/2023 8:06 PM
70	Until the recent press came to light, I as a CILEX member were not aware of any issues and this raises concern as to whether there are other underlying issues that may need to be looked into further.	5/15/2023 5:15 PM
71	Cannot understand who this benefits, not FILEX that's for certain	5/15/2023 4:48 PM

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72	.	5/15/2023 4:29 PM
73	Whilst I have answered yes, it concerns me that adults cannot find a way to work together productively. When egos take over, this always has a damaging effect on every connected party.	5/15/2023 3:23 PM
74	Again, I am ambivalent about this point.	5/15/2023 3:07 PM
75	Probably if it keeps the Legal Services Board happy	5/15/2023 2:48 PM
76		5/15/2023 2:45 PM
77	This seems a natural situation	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
78	Back office independence. A full separation of functions which one would see as natural given the regulatory role is different to the membership role. Full autonomy from the membership body in all admin functions which could lead to costs savings for regulated bodies.	5/15/2023 2:25 PM
79		5/15/2023 2:24 PM
80	As above. Clearer lines of demarcation and identity.	5/15/2023 2:12 PM
81	I have not been provided with any information	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
82	Would be better to have another option as an answer here. Unsure either way.	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
83	I think CILEx are clueless.	5/15/2023 1:51 PM
84	I would rather CRL be folded into the SRA.	5/15/2023 1:36 PM
85	to enable fellows to practice independently	5/15/2023 1:30 PM
86	The 'bickering' between CILEX and CRL has been an embarrassment for CILEX members - the roles for each need to be clear and distinct as they are with the law society and SRA	5/15/2023 1:16 PM

Q15 What benefits do you see in the present arrangements which you believe should be preserved?

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1	Awareness.	6/26/2023 1:49 PM
2	The close relationship between CILEx and CILEx regulation assists candidates in better understanding regulatory expectations.	6/26/2023 12:09 PM
3	The benefit is to have CILEX to have its own powers and CRL with its own powers, cooperating with each other, and jointly achieve policies for the benefit of the consumers and of the profession.	6/25/2023 3:32 PM
4	I have no in-depth knowledge of this.	6/24/2023 11:33 PM
5		6/23/2023 4:36 PM
6	The present arrangements with CRL as regulator should be preserved entirely because it is beneficial for CILEx Lawyers to be regulated by those who have developed regulation to suit our background and to take us forward.	6/22/2023 10:30 PM
7	Independent regulator - Clementi...	6/22/2023 5:35 PM
8	CRL offer diverse choice without which there would be no other option for regulation, other than one.	6/22/2023 2:38 PM
9	N/A	6/22/2023 12:44 PM
10	none	6/21/2023 10:16 AM
11		6/20/2023 10:59 PM
12	Stability and continuity. I think we should be very careful about changing the way our professional operates.	6/20/2023 2:25 PM
13	NA	6/20/2023 1:48 PM
14	I have always found CILEx methods procedures and polices to be fair. I would hope this continues.	6/19/2023 1:21 PM
15		6/19/2023 12:28 PM
16	no response	6/19/2023 8:12 AM
17		6/16/2023 4:30 PM
18	Prioritising CILEX lawyers unique skills and needs	6/16/2023 12:57 PM
19		6/16/2023 10:52 AM
20	Understanding of CILEX professionals and the opportunity to qualify for those from a non-traditional background.	6/16/2023 8:48 AM
21	As the regulator fails to understand the profession and CILEX are constantly blaming the regulator for limits on things, the infighting means there are no benefits from the current arrangements. As a student I am not provided with what I should be - I don't really care who is restricting it - but on a basic level, failing to provide past papers is a fundamental. I honestly regret starting this route and really wish I had pursued the traditional route to become a lawyer.	6/15/2023 1:48 PM
22	CILEx do a good job of handling the education side of things. I cannot see any reason why that does not continue. It appears to be a focus anyway	6/15/2023 1:30 PM
23	Independence and being prioritised and championed	6/15/2023 1:12 PM

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24	The specialist knowledge/understanding of CILEx professionals in the legal markt by CRL	6/14/2023 2:42 PM
25	1. Likely to represent CILEX members / profession 2. Likely to focus more on the role of CILEX 3. Likely to have lower costs to members	6/14/2023 12:26 PM
26	Keeping the distinct identity of legal executives	6/14/2023 11:11 AM
27	.	6/14/2023 3:15 AM
28	n/a	6/13/2023 1:29 PM
29	Chartered status. Independent regulator.	6/13/2023 1:15 PM
30	To be honest, I am quite happy with the current arrangement & setup.	6/13/2023 1:08 PM
31	The independence of specialist lawyers is great and should remain but sadly it does cause prejudice and confusion within practice	6/13/2023 1:07 PM
32	undecided	6/13/2023 12:44 PM
33	-	6/12/2023 9:34 PM
34	I THINK ALL PRESENT BENEFIT SHOULD PRESEVED	6/10/2023 2:27 PM
35	ACCESS TO THE LEGAL PROFESSION	6/9/2023 11:41 PM
36	Access to information	6/9/2023 2:22 PM
37	Access for non-legal workers to access training resources	6/9/2023 10:03 AM
38	None, all we see is disagreement distracting from our daily work which is unsettling.	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
39	Openness & meaningful discussions can take place under present arrangements. Understanding of each professions roles which could be lost in the future if CRL & CILEX separte completely.	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
40	consistency	6/8/2023 10:12 AM
41	Independent regulator for the specific CILEX membership, with the benefits of understanding that group and why it is so important, but also has slightly different characteristics to solicitors, especially in terms of background and potentially prior conduct when younger, for example.	6/8/2023 9:40 AM
42	LEAGAL PROFESSIONALS WO ARE SPECAILISTS AND COME FROM DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS AND HAVE BUSINESS ACUMEN	6/7/2023 7:58 PM
43	Whatever is working for the purpose of which CLR was created for.	6/7/2023 3:35 PM
44		6/7/2023 2:56 PM
45	Increased independence	6/7/2023 10:35 AM
46	Unknown	6/5/2023 8:32 PM
47	Don't really know what you mean by this.	6/5/2023 10:22 AM
48	CILEX's legacy and what is stands for and independent autonomy to regulate	6/2/2023 2:12 PM
49	I am happy with how CRL operate.	6/1/2023 1:28 PM
50	Culex needs to retain its individual identity but that can be achieved under the banner of a different regulator	6/1/2023 8:55 AM
51	Independence	5/30/2023 2:04 PM
52	Clear separation as to what cilex stands for for its members.	5/30/2023 6:29 AM
53	I believe the present arrangements makes Cilex more accessible and open then a traditional route.	5/29/2023 5:47 PM
54	N/K	5/27/2023 2:01 PM
55	independence	5/26/2023 2:22 PM
56	Separate Code of Conduct for CLE.	5/26/2023 2:13 PM

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57	CRL is already comparatively independent.	5/25/2023 7:27 PM
58	Familiarity with the industry and the development and growth of the number of people that are attempting to become legal executives, or enter the legal profession, but not become solicitors.	5/25/2023 4:34 PM
59		5/25/2023 3:36 PM
60	A clear understanding of the vital role which CILEX members play across the whole spectrum of providing legal services.	5/25/2023 2:44 PM
61		5/25/2023 2:37 PM
62	None currently.	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
63		5/25/2023 2:28 PM
64	The main benefit for the future is recognition as CILEX members are qualified in their own right	5/25/2023 1:40 PM
65		5/25/2023 11:47 AM
66	I am not sure I understand what the present arrangements entails. We don't get much info, if it is not in the update we have to go looking.	5/25/2023 11:08 AM
67	none	5/25/2023 10:47 AM
68	...	5/25/2023 10:34 AM
69		5/25/2023 10:29 AM
70	None	5/25/2023 10:28 AM
71	Having our own regulatory provides a level of independence in decision making for those things that are specific to our qualification and advancement in this profession and that has to be of benefit	5/25/2023 10:26 AM
72		5/25/2023 10:23 AM
73	.	5/25/2023 10:22 AM
74		5/25/2023 10:20 AM
75		5/24/2023 9:38 AM
76		5/24/2023 9:18 AM
77	I don't understand the arrangements well enough to comment	5/24/2023 7:27 AM
78	CILEX is a much more common sense body	5/23/2023 4:26 PM
79	It used to be a commonality of purpose and shared understanding. As that appears to have been destroyed it is difficult to see any beyond convenience (in shared resources)	5/22/2023 4:59 PM
80	Separate identity	5/21/2023 7:50 PM
81		5/19/2023 9:24 AM
82	It seems to more or less work.	5/18/2023 8:42 PM
83	I have had no problem at all with CRL regulating my firm until they announced the issue with the compensation fund difficulties. This needs sorting out with the assistance of Cilex	5/18/2023 3:58 PM
84		5/18/2023 1:48 PM
85	I don't have any opinion on the present arrangement other than I don't see any issues with the current arrangement and if there are issues we need these to be clear.	5/18/2023 10:14 AM
86		5/18/2023 1:09 AM
87		5/17/2023 10:25 AM
88	CRL treats every firm as an individual and helps to make the businesses work. CRL has been greatly beneficial to the way we operate; for instance, we white label some services which is	5/17/2023 10:06 AM

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something the SRA does not understand and therefore not tolerate.

89	You understand CILEX and the different routes and background of practitioners	5/17/2023 6:43 AM
90	N/A	5/16/2023 10:39 PM
91	As above	5/16/2023 7:59 PM
92	An understanding of the position of members in the profession.	5/16/2023 6:56 PM
93		5/16/2023 4:52 PM
94	Focus specifically on supporting FCILEX in the legal industry.	5/16/2023 2:14 PM
95	Having our own regulator ensures the regulator is familiar with the unique profession of CILEx members	5/16/2023 1:54 PM
96	All of the current objectives should be preserved by CRL to protect its members from outside influence, from regulators with other agendas.	5/16/2023 1:51 PM
97	Legacy of our status - long fought for	5/16/2023 1:37 PM
98	No benefits	5/16/2023 1:36 PM
99	.	5/16/2023 1:02 PM
100	At the moment there are no benefits as we are not being consulted by Cilex about their proposals or the reasons why	5/16/2023 9:56 AM
101	It isn't broken....	5/16/2023 9:53 AM
102	.	5/16/2023 9:52 AM
103	CRL's approach to dealing with licensing and disciplinary matters	5/16/2023 9:26 AM
104	we maintain our status as CILEx professionals	5/16/2023 9:03 AM
105		5/16/2023 9:02 AM
106	None	5/16/2023 8:59 AM
107	little	5/16/2023 7:41 AM
108	None	5/16/2023 2:02 AM
109	not sure	5/15/2023 10:35 PM
110	No response	5/15/2023 9:50 PM
111	Independence from SRA	5/15/2023 8:25 PM
112	Clear roles	5/15/2023 8:06 PM
113	None - CRL may this opportunity to uproot and re-model	5/15/2023 7:01 PM
114	CLR's independence from CILEx	5/15/2023 5:33 PM
115	I have never had an issue with regulation to date and I therefore question the need to move away from any of the current arrangements.	5/15/2023 5:15 PM
116	the correct question is what benefits would be gained	5/15/2023 4:48 PM
117	.	5/15/2023 4:29 PM
118	Not sure	5/15/2023 4:14 PM
119	CILEx Regulation has a better reputation amongst professionals than the SRA despite the latter being significantly better funded. I think this is largely due to the what appears to have been, at least on the face of it, greater cohesion of objectives between the two bodies.	5/15/2023 3:23 PM
120	None in particular	5/15/2023 3:07 PM
121	Already answered this point	5/15/2023 2:48 PM
122		5/15/2023 2:45 PM

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123	As stated previously; no clear need for change	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
124	To maintain the independence and to reflect the position achieved after years of improvements	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
125	Not many to be honest!	5/15/2023 2:25 PM
126		5/15/2023 2:24 PM
127	It isnt broke although the relationship between CRL and CILEx appears to be so	5/15/2023 2:12 PM
128	Why fix something that is not broken?	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
129	.	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
130	Everything	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
131	Being able to pick up the phone to someone in supervision and speak to them. I would hate not to be able to chat to Giles for a sensible brain bash. You couldn't do that with the SRA.	5/15/2023 1:51 PM
132	CILEx promotes its lawyers and is independent from the SRA	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
133	Independent	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
134	Cilex professionals have faith in Cilex regulation.	5/15/2023 1:41 PM
135	I believe CILEX Fellows need to be appropriately regulated, however, the regulatory requirements are much more burdensome than solicitors.	5/15/2023 1:36 PM
136	none	5/15/2023 1:30 PM
137	None	5/15/2023 1:27 PM
138	NONE	5/15/2023 1:24 PM
139	N/a	5/15/2023 1:16 PM

Q16 Do you believe that there are opportunities for improvement in operational processes as they are currently delivered?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Possibly.	6/26/2023 1:49 PM
2	Look at WBL and how that operates. Onerous for the sake of it.	6/26/2023 12:09 PM
3	1. CILEX and CRL must be approachable to the members and to answer any question that the members have, and co-operate with the members. That means, appointing more personnel or asking the CILEX members to volunteer.	6/25/2023 3:32 PM
4	I have no in-depth knowledge of this.	6/24/2023 11:33 PM
5		6/23/2023 4:36 PM
6	Yes, there are opportunities for learning from better communications with members in decisions about what affects Members' livelihood.	6/22/2023 10:30 PM
7	Yes	6/22/2023 5:35 PM
8	Yes	6/22/2023 2:38 PM
9	An increase in the use of technology could result in improvement in operational processes. This is likely to result in efficiency gains by providing CRL with the capacity to handle more of its own administrative functions. For example, the use of an online portfolio system for submission of authorisation applications, such as work-based learning, would improve the time taken to manage those applications.	6/22/2023 12:44 PM
10	Yes, as above.	6/21/2023 10:16 AM
11		6/20/2023 10:59 PM
12	I am not sure.	6/20/2023 2:25 PM
13	NA	6/20/2023 1:48 PM
14	unsure	6/19/2023 1:21 PM
15	No	6/19/2023 12:28 PM
16	no response	6/19/2023 8:12 AM
17	No	6/16/2023 4:30 PM
18	Yes - more joined up thinking, stop passing us between CILEX and CILEX Reg when answers are not known to higher practice rights. Answer phones quicker and return calls when promised. Essentially - improve communication	6/16/2023 12:57 PM
19	Yes	6/16/2023 10:52 AM
20	Inevitably	6/16/2023 8:48 AM
21	It's gone too far with the infighting between CileX and the regulator. Feels like dead man walking Regulator is definitely old boys club and not diverse enough.	6/15/2023 1:48 PM
22	No view on this	6/15/2023 1:30 PM
23	Yes, information needs to be clearer	6/15/2023 1:12 PM
24	Not particularly	6/14/2023 2:42 PM
25	Yes. Better communication with Members / Members consulted with regard to any substantial	6/14/2023 12:26 PM

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changes / Improved consideration for those members with long PQE with regards to rights of audience

26	Processes are clunky. Information about qualification and regulation is not easy to find. Information is often confused.	6/14/2023 11:11 AM
27	.	6/14/2023 3:15 AM
28	Yes	6/13/2023 1:29 PM
29	yes. the delays and timescale for consideration of a practice rights application is horrific! The outcomes based CPD is time consuming and dated compared to those regulated by the SRA and CLC.	6/13/2023 1:15 PM
30	Yes.	6/13/2023 1:08 PM
31	Yes	6/13/2023 1:07 PM
32	yes - I think the qualifying process could be improved	6/13/2023 12:44 PM
33	yes	6/12/2023 9:34 PM
34	YES	6/10/2023 2:27 PM
35	YES	6/9/2023 11:41 PM
36	yes	6/9/2023 2:22 PM
37	Yes, if CRL were simply to focus on their role as a regulator.	6/9/2023 10:03 AM
38	There is always opportunity for improvement.	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
39	Unable to comment in this respect as I have not been involved in a any operational processes.	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
40	the benefits are unclear	6/8/2023 10:12 AM
41	I suspect so- nothing is perfect.	6/8/2023 9:40 AM
42	YES OF COURSE, THERE ALWAYS ARE AND CONSTANTLY EVOLVING AND ASSESSING IS ALWAYS IMPORTANT	6/7/2023 7:58 PM
43	Not fully.	6/7/2023 3:35 PM
44	I dont know	6/7/2023 2:56 PM
45	No	6/7/2023 10:35 AM
46	Yes	6/5/2023 8:32 PM
47	Don't really know what you mean by this.	6/5/2023 10:22 AM
48	Most definitely	6/2/2023 2:12 PM
49	yes	6/1/2023 1:28 PM
50	Definitely	6/1/2023 8:55 AM
51	Nothing comes to mind.	5/30/2023 2:04 PM
52	I dont know.	5/30/2023 6:29 AM
53	Yes	5/29/2023 5:47 PM
54	N/K	5/27/2023 2:01 PM
55	Yes, the practice rights for authorised entity process has taken 3.5 years - too long	5/26/2023 2:22 PM
56	Yes, there is always room for improvement.	5/26/2023 2:13 PM
57	Yes, for employed members.	5/25/2023 7:27 PM
58	There are always opportunities for improvement in all operational processes.Any process that stems from cilex's non mobile friendly website would be a priority for improvement!	5/25/2023 4:34 PM
59		5/25/2023 3:36 PM

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60	Accessibility for members with questions or concerns in their day-to-day workplace. A greater public awareness of the the role that CILEX members play and how they are regulated.	5/25/2023 2:44 PM
61		5/25/2023 2:37 PM
62	Don't know enough about the operational processes to comment	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
63		5/25/2023 2:28 PM
64	Yes I do believe this and progress needs to be made in this respect	5/25/2023 1:40 PM
65	Yes	5/25/2023 11:47 AM
66	I do not know, how are they currently delivered?	5/25/2023 11:08 AM
67	There is no communication with lawyers as to what these operational processes are on a practical level	5/25/2023 10:47 AM
68	5/25/2023 10:34 AM
69		5/25/2023 10:29 AM
70		5/25/2023 10:28 AM
71	There is always room for improvement	5/25/2023 10:26 AM
72	Yes	5/25/2023 10:23 AM
73	.	5/25/2023 10:22 AM
74	the way CPD is recorded should be improved inline with Solicitors CPD recording	5/25/2023 10:20 AM
75	Yes.	5/24/2023 9:38 AM
76		5/24/2023 9:18 AM
77	Yes	5/24/2023 7:27 AM
78	possibly	5/23/2023 4:26 PM
79	Possibly but I'm not sure how a 'punter' is supposed to know this	5/22/2023 4:59 PM
80	I think you need to better explain the arguments to members so we know what all the fuss is about	5/21/2023 7:50 PM
81		5/19/2023 9:24 AM
82	Almost certainly but whether they would be cost effective or proportional is a separate matter.	5/18/2023 8:42 PM
83	Yes see above - work together with CRL. Stop Cilex members/entities feeling like second class citizens, compared to Solicitors.	5/18/2023 3:58 PM
84	Yes	5/18/2023 1:48 PM
85	Maybe	5/18/2023 10:14 AM
86	a	5/18/2023 1:09 AM
87	not sure	5/17/2023 10:25 AM
88	The legal profession in general needs to protect its own. See for instance answer 17 below.	5/17/2023 10:06 AM
89	N/a	5/17/2023 6:43 AM
90	N/A	5/16/2023 10:39 PM
91	-	5/16/2023 7:59 PM
92	Probably but I am not qualified to comment. The current differences between CILEX and CRL would seem to support the notion however.	5/16/2023 6:56 PM
93	N/A	5/16/2023 4:52 PM
94	Yes they are too expensive for the members and the requirements for FCILEX are very stringent compared to solicitors (who are less accountable for their CPD!)	5/16/2023 2:14 PM

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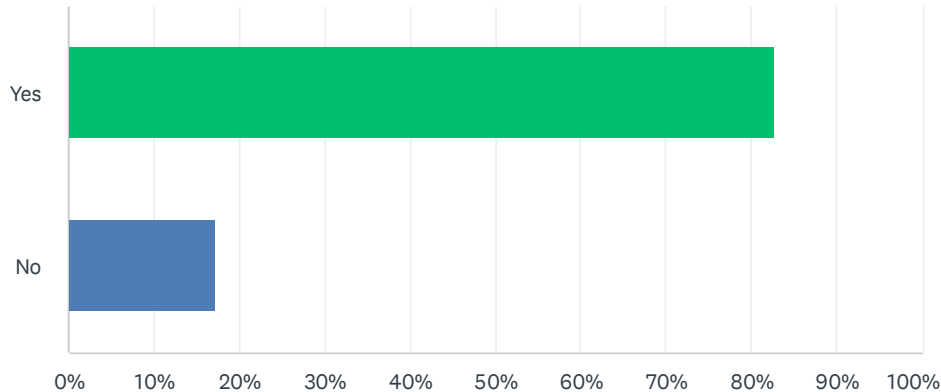
95	Yes	5/16/2023 1:54 PM
96	Without having full operational knowledge I can't answer.	5/16/2023 1:51 PM
97	Yes	5/16/2023 1:37 PM
98	Yes	5/16/2023 1:36 PM
99	.	5/16/2023 1:02 PM
100	Yes, there is always room for improvement, not increasing the fees so much	5/16/2023 9:56 AM
101	Every organisation can do better so yes, I'm sure there are opportunities	5/16/2023 9:53 AM
102	.	5/16/2023 9:52 AM
103	Like all organisations, CRL should adopt a continuous improvement model in its day to day activities	5/16/2023 9:26 AM
104	yes there is always room to improve and to keep up with the ever changing areas of practice.	5/16/2023 9:03 AM
105	Don't have enough information on the current processes	5/16/2023 9:02 AM
106	yes, some of your staff dont know processes and give conflicting advice	5/16/2023 8:59 AM
107	yes. I got hopelessly lost trying to find out who I needed to go to in order to get my renewed Advocacy certificate. I gave up in the end	5/16/2023 7:41 AM
108		5/16/2023 2:02 AM
109	I found CILEX Regulation absolutely awful when seeking practice rights. It was easier to set up a firm via SRA with a solicitor colleague 6 years earlier than get rights. Rarely answered emails. Staffing is a real issue.	5/15/2023 10:35 PM
110	Yes	5/15/2023 9:50 PM
111		5/15/2023 8:25 PM
112	Yes CILEX regulation does seem to be a little behind the times and mah benefit from technological advancements to process (WBL etc being a prime example! Can't track it, submit by email it's very inefficient)	5/15/2023 8:06 PM
113	Yes, focus on how the public sees CRL in order to allow the public/potential authrised persons its unique and selective process comporable to the Bar but better.	5/15/2023 7:01 PM
114	Yes	5/15/2023 5:33 PM
115	I have not identified any to date.	5/15/2023 5:15 PM
116	there are always opportunities for improvement	5/15/2023 4:48 PM
117	.	5/15/2023 4:29 PM
118	Yes - more staff to process applications, quicker response time and more support for applicants.	5/15/2023 4:14 PM
119	These days there seems to be more focus on the superficial and how things are perceived rather than how things actually work. The move and extreme focus on digital services delivery has created more work, reduced productivity and accessibility and at much greater costs for those engaging with all services.	5/15/2023 3:23 PM
120	No view one way or the other	5/15/2023 3:07 PM
121	Probably but day to day I don't have sufficient knowledge of the dealings on a personal level	5/15/2023 2:48 PM
122	Likely but I do not know the details.	5/15/2023 2:45 PM
123	No	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
124	Always	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
125	Yes - such as cost saving and CRL having its own databases etc	5/15/2023 2:25 PM
126		5/15/2023 2:24 PM

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127		5/15/2023 2:12 PM
128	Yes, you could try by informing people before asking them to make decisions like this	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
129	.	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
130	There are always opportunities for improvement	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
131	There can always be room for improvement. For instance, collecting annual return fees when we are doing auditing means that firms are met with 2 lots of fees in the same period. This is not helpful.	5/15/2023 1:51 PM
132	There are always opportunities for improvement.	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
133	Yes	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
134	There is always opportunity for improvement.	5/15/2023 1:41 PM
135	I'm not in a position to answer	5/15/2023 1:36 PM
136	yes there is always room for improvement	5/15/2023 1:30 PM
137	Yes immensely	5/15/2023 1:27 PM
138	Yes by someone other than CRL	5/15/2023 1:24 PM
139	N/a	5/15/2023 1:16 PM

Q17 Do you support CRL's proposals to make it easier for individuals to set up a law firm?

Answered: 139 Skipped: 125



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes	82.73% 115
No	17.27% 24
TOTAL	139

#	PLEASE GIVE REASONS	DATE
1	This will create opportunity for practitioners and also give greater choice to potential clients.	6/26/2023 1:49 PM
2	There are a lot of talented lawyers who would benefit the consumer if they were allowed to open their own firm. CILEX lawyers will provide the consumers with specialist advice with lower costs which is desirable presently. More CILEX firms will bring more benefit to consumers.	6/25/2023 3:32 PM
3	Without background business experience and capital many cannot set up a firm and need help with even basic business skills which is a bar to many setting up a law firm	6/22/2023 10:30 PM
4	If it can be done without to CILEX and its Fellows	6/22/2023 5:35 PM
5	Over the past 15 years there has been a considerable change to investment in the legal service market and business ownership. Making things simpler for start-up law firms and for sole practitioners to set up their own firms will ensure the opportunity for innovation and entrepreneurship is open to the CILEX profession. Guidance on how to set up a firm, with limited resources and budgets to satisfy compliance and regulatory requirements, would remove barriers for market growth. Making it easier to set up a regulated law firm will bring benefits to the consumer if it increases the number of law firms because it will lead to more competition and a better deal for consumers of legal services generally. Increased choice for the consumer will improve access to justice.	6/22/2023 12:44 PM
6		6/20/2023 10:59 PM
7	I work in commercial law where there are many areas of work which aren't reserved to solicitors/barristers. I think there is a great deal of opportunity to set-up specialist CILEX law firms focussed on niche commercial areas - e.g. data protection law. I think these could provide competitive and valuable services to the public.	6/20/2023 2:25 PM
8	Much needed	6/19/2023 8:12 AM

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9	It should be as easy for a CILEX Lawyer to set up a law firm as a Solicitor. We are supposed to be equal.	6/16/2023 12:57 PM
10	Competition works in the public interest	6/16/2023 8:48 AM
11	Such a small proportion of the membership - no cost / benefits rationale.	6/15/2023 1:48 PM
12	Provided the regulation is as stringent as it should be, then yes I think it a good thing to make it more accessible for people to set up their own firms if they so wish	6/15/2023 1:30 PM
13	See above	6/14/2023 2:42 PM
14	Why should qualified and experienced CILEx not be able to set up a law firm?	6/14/2023 12:26 PM
15	The more opportunities to allow CILEX individuals to further their aspirations and careers the better.	6/13/2023 1:29 PM
16	Duplication of earlier question	6/13/2023 1:15 PM
17	EVERYONE DESERVES GREATER RECOGNITION	6/9/2023 11:41 PM
18	However, CRL should be focusing first on establishing that CILEX Fellows are equal to Solicitors, to allow for parity between the two branches and allow for more opportunities for CILEX Fellows to set up their own firms (and to choose for the firm to be SRA regulated if desired).	6/9/2023 10:03 AM
19	There are a lot of experienced practitioners who as a result of the "red" tape are unable or put off applying for setting up their own law firm . Pre 2007 practitioners come to mind who have been in their specialised fields for many years prior, for which CILEX will have records . However, the 2007 Act / CILEX should have made existing FCILEX at the time automatic specialised practitioners .	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
20	vibrant marketplace	6/8/2023 10:12 AM
21	I am unsure about this. Law firms must be very carefully run, fully funded and the owners must understand fully their responsibility. I think those are high hurdles and should stay high. If not then there is a danger of worsening the reputation of the body, if say alot of them fail.	6/8/2023 9:40 AM
22	CUTTING THROUGH RED TAPE IS ALWAYS GOOD BUT YOU NEED TO BE SURE ANY SUCH FIRM IS RESPECTED BY THE REST OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION AND NOT SEEND AS SECOND CLASS	6/7/2023 7:58 PM
23	It is essential for the confidence of practice and the practitioners. We have been held back for so long from doing what we experts at. Held back from exhibiting our expertism. Held back that we are REAL and plastic lawyers.	6/7/2023 3:35 PM
24	Unsure as it will be good for legal professionals but might not be good for consumers.	6/5/2023 8:32 PM
25	Yes but you should allow barristers and solicitors to set up a CRL-regulated law firm.	6/5/2023 10:22 AM
26	There are good teachers and there are bad teachers, good doctors and bad ones; similarly with lawyers some of us should not even practice and if the rules are "relaxed", our CILEX reputation will be in jeopardy because the quality that is delivered will not live up to expectations and we are all accountable when we give advice that can shape or ruin someone's life or their families in the future. There must be stringent control and strict criteria; if they don't cut the mustard they should not qualify to set up their firm.	6/2/2023 2:12 PM
27	It was really hard for me to do and I had to do it on my own with no support.	6/1/2023 1:28 PM
28	Yes - provided proper regulation and oversight is in place.	5/30/2023 2:04 PM
29	From personal experience, the practice rights process bordered on the ridiculous on process and time frames; 3.5 years to get through. The actual authorised entity process was well managed and clear. Everything up to this point was not.	5/26/2023 2:22 PM
30	Yes, if it was easier I would look to do it.	5/26/2023 2:13 PM
31	CILEX law firms must compete with solicitors firms and direct access chambers if they are providing full legal services as lawyers.	5/25/2023 7:27 PM
32	I remain concerned about supporting what is determined as "existing entities who have limited	5/25/2023 4:34 PM

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resources to spend on administration and business planning". The lawfirm I currently work for, spends a huge amount of time clearing up the mess that non-regulated supposed professionals end up getting people into by providing bad advice as they are not properly regulated or trained. Because of this personal experience, I would oppose anything that reduces the current tests and resource requirements in order to become a regulated firm, providing legal advice.

33		5/25/2023 3:36 PM
34	However, making it easier is not the point. The process must be fit for purpose and robust in ensuring the reputation of the profession for the benefit of its members and, most importantly, the general public.	5/25/2023 2:44 PM
35		5/25/2023 2:37 PM
36	Not qualified to comment	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
37		5/25/2023 2:28 PM
38	CILEX Members are highly qualified and regulated and there are no reasons why they cannot set up a law firm	5/25/2023 1:40 PM
39	already set out above	5/25/2023 11:47 AM
40	We are just as responsible as solicitors are and we are just as conscientious so we should have the same opportunities as them.	5/25/2023 11:08 AM
41	Are you talking about legal execs or individuals in general? This question is not clear	5/25/2023 10:47 AM
42		5/25/2023 10:28 AM
43	I support the idea in principle but I reiterate that, quite frankly, the public have no idea who we are or what we do! That needs to be addressed. I always have to explain what I do to my own family, but the title of "solicitor" needs no explanation. That needs to be redressed before setting up our own legal practices becomes a higher priority	5/25/2023 10:26 AM
44		5/25/2023 10:23 AM
45	equality purposes to be more inline with solicitors right.	5/25/2023 10:20 AM
46		5/24/2023 9:38 AM
47		5/24/2023 9:18 AM
48	Please see above. Consumer protection is important of course but it should not be a battle to be authorised to offer legal services.	5/22/2023 4:59 PM
49	We must maintain high standards	5/21/2023 7:50 PM
50	Not a priority in an era of amalgamation and decline of existing high street firms. Anyone who can't cope as matters stand is unlikely to be able to create a viable offering.	5/18/2023 8:42 PM
51	It was extremely difficult to set up my firm with the extensive rules and hoops to jump through. I understand from peers, it was a lot more difficult to set up an entity with CRL compared to setting up a firm regulated by SRA. That said, my firm is run extremely well and our strict policies in place are down to CRL's guidance.	5/18/2023 3:58 PM
52	There should not be barriers to creating law firms providing they have the appropriate skills and competency to do so.	5/18/2023 10:14 AM

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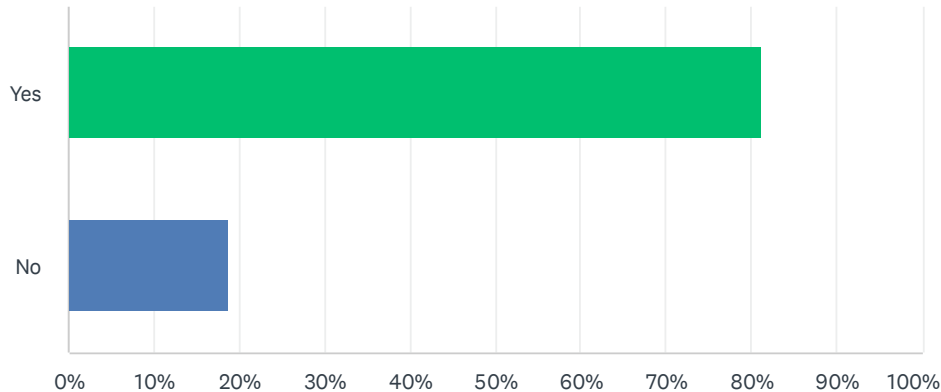
53		5/17/2023 10:25 AM
54	I remain of the view that setting up a law firm should not be an easy thing to do. There is significant bad press about lawyers misappropriating client funds or generally being 'bent' therefore we ought to preserve a high standard of authorisation and regulation. CRL should be promoting our strengths in the marketplace and that we are more innovative and business focussed than SRA firms.	5/17/2023 10:06 AM
55	Setting up a firm should not be easy	5/17/2023 6:43 AM
56	This is covered above in terms of choice for the public and diversity in the profession. Absolutely not however in terms of a lowering of standards.	5/16/2023 6:56 PM
57	Previously answered.	5/16/2023 2:14 PM
58	The current system protects CILEX from any potential risks.	5/16/2023 1:51 PM
59	Law firms should be easier to set up to create healthy competitions in the market.	5/16/2023 1:02 PM
60	A lot of firms which to move from the SRA	5/16/2023 9:56 AM
61	More consumer choice	5/16/2023 9:53 AM
62	it shouldn't be too easy. might undermine perception about standard of lawyer.	5/16/2023 9:52 AM
63		5/16/2023 2:02 AM
64	CILEX are as well trained or better than most solicitors that I have worked with and are more 'human' having come from ordinary folk. We have had to learn the basics and therefore are likely to be able to run an office, probably having worked in one already.	5/15/2023 10:35 PM
65	I wished to do so but my experience in getting practice and advocacy rights put me off.	5/15/2023 9:50 PM
66	I cannot see a reason not to is the best response to this.	5/15/2023 8:06 PM
67	As long as any potential law firms are considered correctly and the right safeguarding is in place I can only see benefits to it being easier for firms to be started.	5/15/2023 5:15 PM
68	the current rules are sufficient for Fellows anyone below that should not be setting up a firm	5/15/2023 4:48 PM
69	.	5/15/2023 4:29 PM
70	It is unclear to me why those with legal qualifications and professional memberships have the greatest constraints placed on them. Legal services were largely deregulated in 2007 to open up the legal market. Few areas are in fact restricted and non-qualified professionals have found work-arounds to by-pass even the restricted practice areas. This has created a minefield for the public who often do not appreciate or understand that they are not dealing with legal professionals. The assumption is that anyone offering legal services must be legally qualified, which is obviously not the case. This gives consumers, especially, a false sense of security. If you are not professionally legally qualified there is no need to maintain professional membership, there are far fewer costs and restrictions, you are answerable to no one, can hide behind the veil of incorporation, do not need expensive professional indemnity insurance, or even hold and protect client monies in a separate trust account.	5/15/2023 3:23 PM
71	See above	5/15/2023 3:07 PM
72	If you make it too easy - there will be firms around that shouldn't be, bringing loss of reputation to legal execs.	5/15/2023 2:48 PM
73		5/15/2023 2:45 PM
74	Subject to PII being available this must be a good thing	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
75	The current process to set up a firm is wieldy and making it easier will allow firm's to set up more speedily, making it attractive, leading to more specialised smaller firms on the market	5/15/2023 2:25 PM
76		5/15/2023 2:24 PM
77	Its a huge step and does need the steps in place now.	5/15/2023 2:12 PM
78	There should always be strict controls before allowing individuals to set up law firms.	5/15/2023 2:06 PM

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79	That could be a slippery slope. All law firms should pass relevant checks, regardless of who they are regulated by.	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
80	Ideally all law firms would be SRA regulated	5/15/2023 1:36 PM
81	it would give fellows more recognition and independence	5/15/2023 1:30 PM
82	Absolutely not. Only SRA regulated professionals should set up law firms.	5/15/2023 1:24 PM
83	This is absolutely vital. Until we have FCILEx led law firms (and we remain simply employed by solicitors) we can never achieve parity. But effort MUST be made to engage with stakeholders inc. mortgage lenders and insurers to make it a realistically possible for this to be an option.	5/15/2023 1:16 PM

Q18 Do you agree that a tailored approach to the regulation of a unique profession by its own regulator is beneficial?

Answered: 139 Skipped: 125



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	81.29%	113
No	18.71%	26
TOTAL		139

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1	Awareness of specific issues. But has its downside too, maybe seen as too close.	6/26/2023 1:49 PM
2	Its unclear why a CILEx professional should be subject to different regulatory expectation compared to the colleague they work alongside doing the same work. There should be parity.	6/26/2023 12:09 PM
3	Any attempt for the improvement of the services to the consumers must be made with co-operation of CILEX and its members, and representatives of the consumer bodies.	6/25/2023 3:32 PM
4	Absolutely, CILEx Lawyers are unique and represent the diversity of the public in many respects and CRL are the best option to tailor the approach to regulation because they know about the CILEx membership.	6/22/2023 10:30 PM
5	If competently pursued with proper and relevant transparency and consultation	6/22/2023 5:35 PM
6	A tailored approach to the regulation of the profession is beneficial because Chartered Legal Executives and CILEx Practitioners are specialist lawyers and specialise from the outset of their careers. They also work in diverse environments. Having a tailored approach to regulation means regulation is proportionate and targeted.	6/22/2023 12:44 PM
7		6/20/2023 10:59 PM
8	I strongly believe CILEx should remain independent from the other legal professions. I believe that doing so is crucial to our maintenance and expansion of our unique position. If we become regulated by the SRA/BSB or any other regulator, we risk becoming their second class qualification. CILEx should be able to shape its own destiny and doing so will be ever more important as our qualification route becomes subject to competition from the more flexible routes of qualification offered to solicitors. We need a narrative for CILEx should continue to exist and I fear that losing our independent regulator would seem to undermine any such narrative.	6/20/2023 2:25 PM
9	none	6/19/2023 8:12 AM

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10	As above - CILEX Lawyers still do have unique issues faced only by us, particularly the issue of higher practice rights which solicitors do not face. CILEX lawyers should not have to face this either and steps need to be taken to achieve true parity. CPQ has fixed this for new students, but has not prioritised its existing Fellows which is completely unacceptable.	6/16/2023 12:57 PM
11	Competition works in the public interest	6/16/2023 8:48 AM
12	More expensive Less chance for diversity Inward looking Navel gazing	6/15/2023 1:48 PM
13	As already covered - CRL can focus on CILEx without needing to spread itself over other qualification routes	6/15/2023 1:30 PM
14	See above	6/14/2023 2:42 PM
15	Having a 'unique profession' is likely to distance the CILEX from the work undertaken by a Solicitors. Having been qualified as a FCILEx for many years and working in private law firms throughout, specialising in Family Law, there is no difference in the work I do, to the work my solicitor/colleagues do. Attempting to build the CILEX as unique is likely to cause more confusion and ambiguity to the role we have in the legal field.	6/14/2023 12:26 PM
16	Legal executives are different and we need a regulator that understands that. We need a regulator that is not influenced by members of the Law Society.	6/14/2023 11:11 AM
17	n/a	6/13/2023 1:29 PM
18	We have always sought to be on a legal standing with Solicitors. However in doing so we have created a rod for our own backs by having such a strict qualification process. By switching to the SRA i dont believe we will retain our own independence in the long term. Possibly undo many many years of hard work along the way.	6/13/2023 1:15 PM
19	Tailoring can only mean there is more clarity	6/9/2023 2:22 PM
20	CRL need to understand the unique positions of their membership who are often of a working class background and who feel inferior to solicitors (by virtue of the fact that, in law at least - they are!) , and by understanding this, they can push for equality with the other branches.	6/9/2023 10:03 AM
21	We need consistency to ever stand a chance to truly be treated as lawyers alongside solicitors	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
22	It will understand and appreciate the complexity of the profession providing sufficient specialised practitioners consulted. Not to leave the decisions and admin to junior/unqualified staff who do not the work experience .	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
23	isolation from other legal regulators is confusing	6/8/2023 10:12 AM
24	Dealt with above	6/8/2023 9:40 AM
25	IT IS NEVER THAT CUT AND DRIED	6/7/2023 7:58 PM
26	It is beneficial to the progress and eventual survival of CLR.	6/7/2023 3:35 PM
27		6/7/2023 2:56 PM
28	Regulation is vital.	6/5/2023 8:32 PM
29	but it also has to have flexibility for other professions to join if they prefer to	6/1/2023 1:28 PM
30	We are distinct and our needs are different and we need a voice to speak for us.	5/30/2023 2:04 PM
31	I think we should be SRA regulated	5/27/2023 2:01 PM
32	This way it can focus specifically on CLE's	5/26/2023 2:13 PM
33	Many CILEX members work for solicitors firms and can dual qualify as solicitors. I myself used often to work with solicitors and barristers without being one of either.	5/25/2023 7:27 PM
34	I fully recognise the statements in the consultation that reflect the diversity and different entry points of people into the legal executive sector are vastly different from those entering into training as solicitors and barristers.	5/25/2023 4:34 PM
35		5/25/2023 3:36 PM

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36	Not necessarily as any regulator has to achieve the objectives as set out under s1 of the Legal Services Act 2007	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
37	For the reasons already stated	5/25/2023 1:40 PM
38	if doing a good job for that profession and providing confidence that they will do so for the public	5/25/2023 11:47 AM
39	More transparent, easier to work out what actually needs to be done instead of bouncing around places to find info.	5/25/2023 11:08 AM
40	There is already one, SRA, I see no need to introduce a second regulator. Or do we admit that being a legal exec is not on a par with being a solicitor and remain completely separate like a Licenced Conveyancer?	5/25/2023 10:47 AM
41	How does it achieve parity	5/25/2023 10:34 AM
42		5/25/2023 10:28 AM
43	As I've mentioned before, it distances us from some of the issues besetting other regulators	5/25/2023 10:26 AM
44		5/25/2023 10:23 AM
45		5/24/2023 9:38 AM
46		5/24/2023 9:18 AM
47	What does this mean? Does 'unique' refer to CILEx? Or is this a wider question about different types of legal professionals? By and large, no, the basics of consumer protection should be broadly the same (establishing competence and redress systems).	5/22/2023 4:59 PM
48	If we are regulated by the SRA we will look unqualified compared to solicitors	5/21/2023 7:50 PM
49	Cilex are already widely discriminated against in practice and I have no faith in a combined regulator not to also relegate Cilex concerns. Especially where raising concerns or whistleblowing about solicitors.	5/18/2023 8:42 PM
50	I have no preference	5/18/2023 3:58 PM
51	For reasons already given	5/18/2023 1:48 PM
52	Not always. If we want other legal services to take Cilex seriously there does need to be a degree of conformity and not necessarily be completely unique as it can create more issues with how Cilex is viewed.	5/18/2023 10:14 AM
53	as above	5/17/2023 10:06 AM
54	.	5/17/2023 6:43 AM
55	The regulator with be au fait with the matters that come into play with the particular branch of the profession they are associated with.	5/16/2023 6:56 PM
56		5/16/2023 4:52 PM
57	Previously answered.	5/16/2023 2:14 PM
58	Very much so. We are our own distinct legal brand identity	5/16/2023 1:37 PM
59	There should be one regulator for all lawyers	5/16/2023 1:36 PM
60	It shows the work that has gone into regulating such a profession	5/16/2023 1:02 PM
61	The SRA is too large to deal with all infringements of regulations and concentrates on the smaller infringements not the large complex ones	5/16/2023 9:56 AM
62	Seems to be a repeat question	5/16/2023 9:53 AM
63		5/16/2023 2:02 AM

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64	The regulator will know and understand the demographic, which is different to the old boys network.	5/15/2023 10:35 PM
65	No response	5/15/2023 9:50 PM
66	So long as that is not divisive. CILEX professionals are still struggling to be recognized with any real parity in some areas/firms. Educators do not understand CILEx	5/15/2023 8:06 PM
67	unclear why that has not been the case so far in the legal regulatory model	5/15/2023 7:01 PM
68	CILEX is a unique way of qualifying and it requires a complete support and understanding of this process to be effectively regulated.	5/15/2023 5:15 PM
69	As said cannot see who this would benefit other than increasing subscriptions to include all CILEX not just fellows	5/15/2023 4:48 PM
70	.	5/15/2023 4:29 PM
71	For the reasons stated in 17 above, unless there is re-regulation of all legal services (which may actually benefit society), the ever-evolving deregulated 'legal' market in which regulators do not have any powers, by applying the firm hand of compliance (SRA) on the qualified, regulated, personally exposed and insured, makes little sense at all especially when contrasted with the freedoms under which the non-regulated providers of traditional legal services operate and the associated greatly increased risks to the public from those providers.	5/15/2023 3:23 PM
72	See above	5/15/2023 3:07 PM
73	Already stated	5/15/2023 2:48 PM
74		5/15/2023 2:45 PM
75	This should not be controversial as there is no counter argument. The SRA would be a massive mistake as it is the SRA. Ask any solicitor or representative of a solicitor who has encountered the SRA and what their view is	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
76	Only a regulator who understands the diverse background of those it regulates, including the challenges faced by its lawyers, and the unique way they have come into the profession along with the skills and programmes they have studied, can effectively regulate them in a fair manner. The SRA certainly cannot understand this!	5/15/2023 2:25 PM
77		5/15/2023 2:24 PM
78	If we went to the SRA we just become another lawyer. CILEX's are different and we need to stay so.	5/15/2023 2:12 PM
79	n/a	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
80	see comments above	5/15/2023 1:51 PM
81	We can only be seen as equivalent to solicitors if we are regulated with parity. As things stand CILEX Fellows have much more burdensome CPD requirements, we pay more to be regulated and are still seen as not being equivalent. I believe a change in regulator could be a step to address this.	5/15/2023 1:36 PM
82	we need to conform and the public need to understand the difference in all regulated firms	5/15/2023 1:30 PM
83	CILEx itself is not fit for purpose. When CILEx changed members' titles, they killed off all credibility of Fellows etc. Being advised by an 'Advanced Paralegal' certainly doesn't give clients the confidence it would if they instructed a 'Solicitor'. CILEx is unfit to manage or regulate itself or anyone else. The SRA should review and consider all CILEx Members and admit them as solicitors if they meet the requisite competencies. CILEx should then be dissolved. Despite spending 7 years to 'qualify' with CILEx, because of the disorganisation and mayhem, I am being forced to now also do the SQE at significant cost just to be recognised as anything but a laughing stock amongst my peers.	5/15/2023 1:24 PM
84	We MUST NOT be regulated by the SRA. We are distinct, although equal, and must be promoted as such. Note the content of the law society gazette comments on articles	5/15/2023 1:16 PM

discussing SRA regulation of CILEx members.

Q19 Are there other initiatives or improvements that CRL could introduce to enhance its regulation of legal professionals and firms?

Answered: 139 Skipped: 125

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Work to allow Chartered Legal Executives to become Cilex Practitioners (able to work unsupervised) without the need to be conducting advocacy on an ongoing basis.	6/26/2023 1:49 PM
2	Clearer publicity around enforcement/interventions against CILEx Fellows.	6/26/2023 12:09 PM
3	CRL must know its members. It should hold frequent open meetings with its members and it must update its regulations in a fast changing society. CRL must consider increasing the number of professional indemnity insurance firms and include insurances such as Hiscox, who are already trading in the profession - assisting independent law firms.	6/25/2023 3:32 PM
4	I have no in-depth knowledge of this.	6/24/2023 11:33 PM
5	x	6/23/2023 4:36 PM
6	CRL has a great deal of expertise to offer and the right culture that could well be in demand for regulation of law firms other than those set up by CILEx Members. I do not believe that CRL require specific improvements, they meet the requirements in their interest and support of the CILEx brand. They take necessary enforcement action in a fair and balanced way with a good track record of CILEx Member compliance.	6/22/2023 10:30 PM
7	A constructive, mature, sustained and progressive working synergy with CILEX and all relevant stakeholders	6/22/2023 5:35 PM
8	Certain processes are far too onerous and need streamlining.	6/22/2023 2:38 PM
9	CRL could look to introduce guidance on the relationship between the revised education standards and CPD. This would lead to a deeper understanding of continuing competence. If this work was done in conjunction with the work undertaken on supporting fellows to gain practitioner rights and progression to judicial roles this may also improve professional development and reflection. If CRL are able to achieve a route for CILEX practitioners to gain higher rights of audience this could also provide opportunities for professional development.	6/22/2023 12:44 PM
10	none	6/21/2023 10:16 AM
11		6/20/2023 10:59 PM
12	I do not have anything to add.	6/20/2023 2:25 PM
13	NA	6/20/2023 1:48 PM
14	Not at this time	6/19/2023 1:21 PM
15	Not sure	6/19/2023 12:28 PM
16	no response	6/19/2023 8:12 AM
17	N/a	6/16/2023 4:30 PM
18	As above	6/16/2023 12:57 PM
19	unsure	6/16/2023 10:52 AM
20	Anything to ensure insurance is cheaper so that competition can thrive	6/16/2023 8:48 AM
21	Cooperate with CILEX Accommodate those who have been left in between changes to qualifications and have not achieved the titles and status they wished for Promote the CILEX profession - you have a mountainous deficit here	6/15/2023 1:48 PM
22	n/a	6/15/2023 1:30 PM

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23	No	6/15/2023 1:12 PM
24	No	6/14/2023 2:42 PM
25	As above	6/14/2023 12:26 PM
26	Make information easier to access and make information clearer.	6/14/2023 11:11 AM
27	No	6/14/2023 3:15 AM
28	n/a	6/13/2023 1:29 PM
29	remove the onerous cpd requirements which neither the SRA or CLC do. Make it easier for Conveyancing Fellows with 10+ years in their specialist area to obtain their practice rights.	6/13/2023 1:15 PM
30	Unknown.	6/13/2023 1:08 PM
31	Yes, create more awareness of how hard it is to actually become a CLE and what qualities we bring to the table	6/13/2023 1:07 PM
32	not sure	6/13/2023 12:44 PM
33	-	6/12/2023 9:34 PM
34	NOT SURE	6/10/2023 2:27 PM
35	MORE COHESIVE FUNCTIONS	6/9/2023 11:41 PM
36	bi-annual briefings (remote will work) to re-cap on the work carried out that year, promote new firms and re-cap on old firms to get a more community feel. Create a law-share type of model whereby one CRL firm refers work to another on the panel, in a fair manner, if they do not do that work themselves	6/9/2023 2:22 PM
37	YES - either incorporate practice rights into the Work-based learning portfolio, or advise members at the outset who wish to carry out reserved activities that there are additional steps when compared to solicitors to sufficiently qualify. it is not right for CRL/CILEX to change the requirements to do what is effectively the same job as a solicitor, and why, particularly in the Conveyancing Sector, many conveyancers have switched to regulation by the Council for Licenced Conveyancers. CRL/CILEX need to press for the amendment to the Legal Services Act to allow CILEX Fellows to carry out more works, as it is not right for CILEX/CRL to advertise as a route to practicing law, when ultimately under the Legal Services Act, they are not.	6/9/2023 10:03 AM
38	Reduce the requirements around qualification (for those with long standing experience) , and further practice rights. Be more aware of those in house and the unique and specialist work undertaken at a significant level.	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
39	Needs to be consistency in the Disciplinary Decisions - some seem harsh in comparison to the event causing the situation. I have looked at various decisions and would find it easier if the areas / districts and previous firms are added in the names.	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
40	recognition for contract lawyers is vital	6/8/2023 10:12 AM
41	No	6/8/2023 9:40 AM
42	WORK CLOSELY WITH THEM TO MEET BUSINESS NEEDS	6/7/2023 7:58 PM
43	Not sure.	6/7/2023 3:35 PM
44	I dont know	6/7/2023 2:56 PM
45	No	6/7/2023 10:35 AM
46	Unknown.	6/5/2023 8:32 PM
47	No	6/5/2023 10:22 AM
48	Schedule regular "check ins" i.e. webinars/ surveys or annual meetings before matters escalate to where we are now	6/2/2023 2:12 PM
49	MARKETING!!!!!!!	6/1/2023 1:28 PM
50	No	6/1/2023 8:55 AM

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51	Nothing	5/30/2023 2:04 PM
52	I dont know	5/30/2023 6:29 AM
53	I don't know	5/29/2023 5:47 PM
54	Parity, not having to differentiate ourselves to clients	5/27/2023 2:01 PM
55	Clearer support on practice rights	5/26/2023 2:22 PM
56	Clearer support on practice rights	5/26/2023 2:13 PM
57	Disability access awareness. This is more developed in the solicitors profession with the DSN in the Law Society of which I am a member. I plan to dual qualify as a solicitor if I can. There are also barristers with disabilities.	5/25/2023 7:27 PM
58	Whilst regulating, CRL could also look at education and awareness across the sector. Promotion of value of paralegals and the associated qualifications that they can access.	5/25/2023 4:34 PM
59		5/25/2023 3:36 PM
60	Engage with members to listen to, understand, and where appropriate, to act on their real life experiences.	5/25/2023 2:44 PM
61	No idea	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
62	Cannot think of any currently	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
63		5/25/2023 2:28 PM
64	Improvements will come about when weaknesses are identified	5/25/2023 1:40 PM
65	I am sure there are however, I no longer care as I shall be moving to CLC for regulation, where I shall be recognised as an authorised individual without need for another year of undergraduate study.	5/25/2023 11:47 AM
66	Yes tell the members what you do for them, how you do it and what your role, goals and objectives are.	5/25/2023 11:08 AM
67	Better understanding of what the job entails would help in supporting lawyers, immense pressure from feeling "regulated?" all the time	5/25/2023 10:47 AM
68	...	5/25/2023 10:34 AM
69		5/25/2023 10:29 AM
70	Yes	5/25/2023 10:28 AM
71	More publicity!!!!	5/25/2023 10:26 AM
72	Nothing to add.	5/25/2023 10:23 AM
73	.	5/25/2023 10:22 AM
74	N/A	5/25/2023 10:20 AM
75		5/24/2023 9:38 AM
76	I don't know	5/24/2023 9:18 AM
77	I don't have an opinion	5/24/2023 7:27 AM
78	Make it easier for CILEX lawyers to compete with solicitors	5/23/2023 4:26 PM
79	The challenge is making it viable in practical terms. That means breaking down the commercial barriers in terms of e.g. lenders, indemnity insurers etc.	5/22/2023 4:59 PM
80	Work with cilex to expand practicing rights to more fellows	5/21/2023 7:50 PM
81	Don't know	5/19/2023 9:24 AM

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82	Be more proactive about preventing non regulated professionals engaging on matters that are reserved.	5/18/2023 8:42 PM
83	Sort out the compensation fund and reach a compromise with Cilex.	5/18/2023 3:58 PM
84		5/18/2023 1:48 PM
85	Unknown.	5/18/2023 10:14 AM
86	a	5/18/2023 1:09 AM
87	not sure	5/17/2023 10:25 AM
88	There are a lot of unregulated businesses in the marketplace carrying out legal services illegally and there seems to be no way of stopping them or any way to report them. For instance debt collection agencies carry out litigation and get away with it, even if one reports them to the SRA. This is something that needs to be stopped. It is difficult to set up a law firm and litigations etc should be the preserve of those authorised and regulated to carry it out.	5/17/2023 10:06 AM
89	.	5/17/2023 6:43 AM
90	.	5/16/2023 10:39 PM
91	-	5/16/2023 7:59 PM
92	Project itself and the benefits of oversight by the CRL which currently seems to occupy a backwater in term of perception of regulation	5/16/2023 6:56 PM
93	N/A	5/16/2023 4:52 PM
94	Go back to supporting FCILEX and get rid of CILEX Lawyer. No-one takes it seriously.	5/16/2023 2:14 PM
95	Foster meaningful engagement with legal professionals, firms, and other stakeholders to understand their concerns, gather feedback, and keep them informed about regulatory developments. This helps ensure that the regulatory framework is responsive and reflective of the needs of the profession. Conduct outreach programs and public awareness campaigns to educate the public about the role of Chartered Legal Executives, the regulatory framework, and the services they provide. This promotes understanding, access to justice, and informed decision-making. rofession: Collaborate with other legal professional bodies, regulatory organizations, and legal industry stakeholders to share best practices, coordinate regulatory efforts, and address common challenges collectively.	5/16/2023 1:54 PM
96	Do not relinquish CILEX Regulation to the SRA.	5/16/2023 1:51 PM
97	Remain as our regulator	5/16/2023 1:37 PM
98	No	5/16/2023 1:36 PM
99	Support for new members.	5/16/2023 1:02 PM
100	That I do not know	5/16/2023 9:56 AM
101	Not aware	5/16/2023 9:53 AM
102	.	5/16/2023 9:52 AM
103	More active engagement with the professionals	5/16/2023 9:26 AM
104	consult members	5/16/2023 9:03 AM
105	N/a	5/16/2023 9:02 AM
106	N/a	5/16/2023 8:59 AM
107	simplified qualification and membership levels	5/16/2023 7:41 AM
108		5/16/2023 2:02 AM
109	Make contacting the regulator easier and what who does clearer	5/15/2023 10:35 PM
110	No response	5/15/2023 9:50 PM

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111	No	5/15/2023 8:25 PM
112	None that I am aware of	5/15/2023 8:06 PM
113	see above	5/15/2023 7:01 PM
114	Ensure all CILEx Practitioners automatically become Fellows	5/15/2023 5:33 PM
115	Better access to resources, 10 working weeks for a application for fellowship seems a little long.	5/15/2023 5:15 PM
116	xxxx	5/15/2023 4:48 PM
117	.	5/15/2023 4:29 PM
118	No	5/15/2023 4:14 PM
119	CRL needs to raise its own profile within the profession for the reasons stated above. There needs to be a greater public understanding that there are differences between regulated individuals and those who are not, and why. I fear that the public are at increased risk from non-regulated individuals where money is often the primary and only motivator, and ultimately after all the 'bolt-ons' the fees are no cheaper.	5/15/2023 3:23 PM
120	No	5/15/2023 3:07 PM
121	Like what?	5/15/2023 2:48 PM
122	No comment.	5/15/2023 2:45 PM
123	No	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
124	None	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
125	N/A	5/15/2023 2:25 PM
126	Not sure.	5/15/2023 2:24 PM
127	More openness, more non lawyers involved with different views.	5/15/2023 2:12 PM
128	I do not know	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
129	.	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
130	Unsure	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
131	You could have more meetings with your regulated firms to engage in feedback.	5/15/2023 1:51 PM
132	Not that I am aware of.	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
133	Not aware of any	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
134	Unsure	5/15/2023 1:41 PM
135	Make regulation equivalent to solicitors. Give existing Fellows litigation and advocacy rights without our having to spend thousands of pounds on courses to be recognised as doing the job we currently do. A good regulator could weed out the bad candidates after the fact.	5/15/2023 1:36 PM
136	may be but it should move towards practising rights for fellows	5/15/2023 1:30 PM
137	N/a	5/15/2023 1:27 PM
138	CILEx itself is not fit for purpose. When CILEx changed members' titles, they killed off all credibility of Fellows etc. Being advised by an 'Advanced Paralegal' certainly doesn't give clients the confidence it would if they instructed a 'Solicitor'. CILEx is unfit to manage or regulate itself or anyone else. The SRA should review and consider all CILEx Members and admit them as solicitors if they meet the requisite competencies. CILEx should then be dissolved. Despite spending 7 years to 'qualify' with CILEx, because of the disorganisation and mayhem, I am being forced to now also do the SQE at significant cost just to be recognised as anything but a laughing stock amongst my peers.	5/15/2023 1:24 PM
139	More engagement and visibility.	5/15/2023 1:16 PM

Q20 Do you have any other comments or suggestions?

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	As a Chartered Legal Executive, I feel that my long held qualification has been devalued by the new Cilex Practitioner status, given that the rules do not allow me to become an authorised person and run my own firm, purely because I no longer conduct advocacy on an ongoing basis. Why is it not possible to be an authorised person who doesn't currently undertake advocacy?	6/26/2023 1:49 PM
2	No	6/26/2023 12:09 PM
3	I do not wish to be critical but I have written many times to the Regulatory Body asking them about setting up my own CILEX entity, and I have not received any reply or any assistance. I have been a former member of the SRA but I am pleased that I am no longer a member because their attitude is narrow and it aims its regulations against small, black and ethnic firms. It would be nice if anyone who wishes to open a firm was to be visited by an official to discuss any issues and to assist in setting up a firm. I have been a member since 2018 and as a graduate member, I participated in landmark victories at the High Court and this must be taken in mind by CRL. These landmark victory cases are Barclay Watt & Others v Alpha Panareti Public Limited & Others (CL-2017-000657); Ackerley & Others v Alpha Panareti Public Limited & Others (CL-2013-000710); Appulingam & Others v Alpha Panareti Public Limited & Others (CL-2013-001169); Bratton & Others v Alpha Panareti Public Limited & Others (CL-2013-000855); Dash & Others v Alpha Panareti Public Limited & Others (CL-2013-000828); Aston & Others v A. Chacholis Developers Limited & Others (HQ12X02903); Almond & Others v Medgolf Properties Limited & Others (CL-2014-000345 and CL-2014-000441); Armalaite & Others v Medgolf Properties Limited & Others (CL-2013-000541); Allen & Others v Alpha Bank Cyprus Limited & Others (CL-2014-000668); Harrison & Others v Alpha Bank Cyprus Limited & Others (CL2017-000042); John Taylor v Giovanni Developers (CL-2014-000743).	6/25/2023 3:32 PM
4	No.	6/24/2023 11:33 PM
5	x	6/23/2023 4:36 PM
6	I am a CILEx Practitioner, having set up and manage a CILEx law firm. I have no complaints about the processes that I have gone through, and need to go through as a Practitioner and entity owner. CRL keep me as a practitioner and Entity owner on the right track to ensure that I am fit to practice law and that I and my firm protects consumers interests. I do not want a replacement of CRL as my regulator. I do not want to be regulated by the SRA, I worry that me as an individual lawyer and entity will lose any identity as a specialist lawyer, advocate and legal service.	6/22/2023 10:30 PM
7	No	6/22/2023 5:35 PM
8	No	6/22/2023 2:38 PM
9	No	6/22/2023 12:44 PM
10	above	6/21/2023 10:16 AM
11	No	6/20/2023 10:59 PM
12	CILEx should be enormously proud of its history and achievements. I really fear that undermining independent regulation does a disservice to the profession. We should not undermine our heritage for the sake of an internecine conflict over allocation of our perfectly tolerable membership fees. I think CRL should look at adding specialist CILEx qualifications for commercial law. Currently all the specialist qualifications are understandably focussed on areas where additional practice rights need to be acquired. But I think it would be beneficial to add more qualifications and specialist badges for unreserved areas of commercial practice (e.g. company law, contracts, data protection, IP etc).	6/20/2023 2:25 PM

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13	NA	6/20/2023 1:48 PM
14	No	6/19/2023 1:21 PM
15	No	6/19/2023 12:28 PM
16	No	6/19/2023 8:12 AM
17	No	6/16/2023 4:30 PM
18	No thank you	6/16/2023 12:57 PM
19	No	6/16/2023 10:52 AM
20	No	6/16/2023 8:48 AM
21	Ethics is the key to building trust in the profession, more content on this and more promotion of case studies and how ethics is practiced is needed.	6/15/2023 1:48 PM
22	Communications must be improved - this consultation is a case in point. The consultation document suggests that the first group can be answered separately but then when one gets to the end, the same survey is reproduced. Hopefully my surveys can be stitched together	6/15/2023 1:30 PM
23	No	6/15/2023 1:12 PM
24	Re-consider the title 'CILEx Lawyer' for those with practising rights. Those who are fellows but do not have/want rights are still qualified lawyers, yet are unable to use a title with 'lawyer' in it - this will only serve to confuse the public and make the work of fellows appear inferior.	6/14/2023 2:42 PM
25	Until such time as CILEX members are able to consider the plans being put forward by the CRL, SRA or indeed any other regulatory body, it is of course difficult to ascertain which would be better to promote CILEX members.	6/14/2023 12:26 PM
26	Cilex Reulation needs to do more to champion Legal Executives. Cilex Regulation does have a responsibility here to raise awareness of how closely we are regulated and the quality of that regulation, so that legal executives are considered to be competent and not a poor second class option for those shopping for legal services.	6/14/2023 11:11 AM
27	No	6/14/2023 3:15 AM
28	No	6/13/2023 1:29 PM
29	A complete overhaul is needed but i am not sure whether being regulated by the SRA is the solution.	6/13/2023 1:15 PM
30	No thank you.	6/13/2023 1:08 PM
31	Try not to have further huge falls out in the media, I know it works from both sides, but it is hugely embarrassing and unsettling.	6/13/2023 1:07 PM
32	Do we genuinely believe that Legal Executives are just as good as Solicitors? Is it our intention is to raise the profile of Legal Executives and remove the barriers to our working alongside Solicitors without any question of our being inferior? Giving up our independent regulation undermines that completely.	6/13/2023 12:44 PM
33	just give fellows practice rights	6/12/2023 9:34 PM
34	NO	6/10/2023 2:27 PM
35	NO	6/9/2023 11:41 PM
36	Not at this stage	6/9/2023 2:22 PM
37	Please see 17 above	6/9/2023 10:03 AM
38	No	6/9/2023 9:04 AM
39	As a "fossil" in the legal profession would like to see those that have practised in specialist fields to have a simple way of retaining their practise certificate. Grey area from PRE- 2007 Act all existing specialised practitioners to be given retrospective re-instatement of their practising certificates . I believe you would then see an uptake in the number of CFILEX setting up their own law firms. I think the 2007 Act lost a lot of excellent practitioners, causing	6/9/2023 9:04 AM

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confusion and misunderstanding how the 2007 Act applied to PRE - 2007 specialists . For the record I registered as a FILEX in 1982 and spent my whole time in property / conveyancing and ancillary matters.

40	recognition for contract lawyers is vital	6/8/2023 10:12 AM
41	No	6/8/2023 9:40 AM
42	NO	6/7/2023 7:58 PM
43	No.	6/7/2023 3:35 PM
44	no	6/7/2023 2:56 PM
45	No	6/7/2023 10:35 AM
46	No	6/5/2023 8:32 PM
47	No	6/5/2023 10:22 AM
48	Be open and transparent at all times We chose to be regulated by CILEX. We embarked on our journey/route steadily through the years and and upon qualifying as a solicitor, we could have been regulated by the SRA, but we remain loyal and committed to CILEX. We remember CILEX's promises and ethos which made us choose to study with CILEX in the first place and truthfully we want CILEX to continue to champion for the "underdogs" in the legal profession. There were blood, sweat and tears en route, but I and more importantly, our clients and (solicitor) colleagues believe and have complimented we are better lawyers than some who have qualified under the solicitor route - for our emphatic approach, tenacity, knowledge, expertise, and delivery. It has taken decades for CILEX graduates to be recognised as an equal and force to be reckoned with in the legal profession, and to throw it all away would be such an utter waste. As specialist lawyers in our distinct fields and firms, we are not "Jacks of all trades" and no longer an underdog.	6/2/2023 2:12 PM
49	Please continue to fight for us. I have absolutely no desire to become a solicitor. A merger will end up with us having no status and being swallowed or even worse really being made the second best option. The worst of all worlds is for us to be regulated by the SRA. They are awful regulators and are not there to support and help its firms but punish and scare them. Not how they should be. I do not want the years I have fought to get validation for my qualification and the boundaries I have pushed through to be for nothing. I am a fierce advocate for CILEX as I would not be running my own practice or even working in the profession without them.	6/1/2023 1:28 PM
50	No	6/1/2023 8:55 AM
51	No	5/30/2023 2:04 PM
52	No	5/30/2023 6:29 AM
53	No	5/29/2023 5:47 PM
54	No	5/27/2023 2:01 PM
55	I have been with CILEx (Ilex) for about 28 years - I chose this route for its independence and not to be just another practitioner under the SRA	5/26/2023 2:22 PM
56	No	5/26/2023 2:13 PM
57	Thank you for the opportunity to take part in this consultation.	5/25/2023 7:27 PM
58	I vehemently disagree with the view that a shared regulator with another sector of the legal profession is a good idea.	5/25/2023 4:34 PM
59	not at this time	5/25/2023 3:36 PM
60	The hard-won and now improving reputation of CILEX members and the opportunities available to them must not be given up.	5/25/2023 2:44 PM
61	No	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
62	The findings of the Legal Services Board Investigation dated 18 April 2023 are regrettable and have not enhanced public confidence in CILEX or CRL.	5/25/2023 2:37 PM
63	No thanks.	5/25/2023 2:28 PM

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64	No further comments 3xcept that cil3x members should be more recognised and respected in the legal profession	5/25/2023 1:40 PM
65	no	5/25/2023 11:47 AM
66	No	5/25/2023 11:08 AM
67	There needs to be more engagement between legal execs working on the ground and cilex regulation	5/25/2023 10:47 AM
68	...	5/25/2023 10:34 AM
69	No.	5/25/2023 10:29 AM
70	Non	5/25/2023 10:28 AM
71	Get outside of the legal profession and in to schools and universities! This route is not something that is discussed by careers advisors in schools (I know this as I have two children who have gone through the process and I've spoken to their school careers advisers). There needs to be saturation of both schools and universities about this qualification route. It can save prospective lawyers considerable amounts of money and provide a route in to the profession which can take a candidate all the way to the bench if they so wish.	5/25/2023 10:26 AM
72	No	5/25/2023 10:23 AM
73	.	5/25/2023 10:22 AM
74	N/A	5/25/2023 10:20 AM
75	Regulator workshops (online) to keep people up to date and putting faces to names rather than relying on trawling through unhelpful website links.	5/24/2023 9:38 AM
76	No	5/24/2023 9:18 AM
77	As a CILEx member of over 30 years standing I feel very poorly treated and cannot believe that I am now required to undertake further extensive training to maintain my status. This devalues my qualification and expertise and I do not think for one moment that the SRA would treat it's solicitors this way. As such I have concerns that the regulator is not acting in many members best interests.	5/24/2023 7:27 AM
78	no	5/23/2023 4:26 PM
79	Stand up for and commit to what you believe in. If that is confined to CILEx only then say so and focus accordingly. If (as the statutory goals at least permit - if not mandate) refocus in a way which takes CILEx with you.	5/22/2023 4:59 PM
80	No	5/21/2023 7:50 PM
81	No	5/19/2023 9:24 AM
82	No	5/18/2023 8:42 PM
83	See above. It is my priority to be properly regulated so that I can run my firm successfully with its own client account. Please sort out this dispute so members like me can get on with their jobs.	5/18/2023 3:58 PM
84	Scalability is essential if CRL are to continue to regulate CILEx lawyers.	5/18/2023 1:48 PM
85	No	5/18/2023 10:14 AM
86	a	5/18/2023 1:09 AM
87	no	5/17/2023 10:25 AM
88	See 17 above	5/17/2023 10:06 AM
89	.	5/17/2023 6:43 AM
90	.	5/16/2023 10:39 PM
91	-	5/16/2023 7:59 PM
92	Not at this time.	5/16/2023 6:56 PM

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93	N/A	5/16/2023 4:52 PM
94	No.	5/16/2023 2:14 PM
95	No	5/16/2023 1:54 PM
96	Remain independent.	5/16/2023 1:51 PM
97	If Cilex does decide to pass regulatory function to the SRA then with regret I will be applying to CLC instead. I have no interest in being SRA regulated now or in the future. They are overpriced, unwieldy and outdtated in their approach	5/16/2023 1:37 PM
98	SRA could be the best regulator for all lawyers	5/16/2023 1:36 PM
99	No	5/16/2023 1:02 PM
100	No	5/16/2023 9:56 AM
101	None	5/16/2023 9:53 AM
102	.	5/16/2023 9:52 AM
103	No	5/16/2023 9:26 AM
104	CILEx need to explain what the issue is between them and CRL and why changing to the SRA would be better for its members.	5/16/2023 9:03 AM
105	N/a	5/16/2023 9:02 AM
106	N/a	5/16/2023 8:59 AM
107	nobody answers the phone when calling and emails go unanswered service is poor	5/16/2023 7:41 AM
108	Already addressed in comments above. Deal with the inequities and forgotten older members. CILEx might have made this their final position to me, but I'm not going away and WILL be taking this further through other channels.	5/16/2023 2:02 AM
109	I would like the regulation issue to remain with Cilex and to be resolved as soon as possible.	5/15/2023 10:35 PM
110	I'd encourage a 'Become a Judge' type roll out of training / information evenings for entity regulation. There is little guidance and support that is accessible.	5/15/2023 9:50 PM
111	No	5/15/2023 8:25 PM
112	None	5/15/2023 8:06 PM
113	see above	5/15/2023 7:01 PM
114	No	5/15/2023 5:33 PM
115	No.	5/15/2023 5:15 PM
116	xxxx	5/15/2023 4:48 PM
117	I do not want to be regulated by SRA. More than happy with present arrangement.	5/15/2023 4:29 PM
118	I would like to know how much of the membership fees are being spent by both CRL and CILEX on this process. This dispute has weakened our position professionally and it needs solving quickly and inexpensively so we can focus on the real issues facing CILEX Lawyers - such as the changes to practice rights.	5/15/2023 4:14 PM
119	I have found the power-struggle between the professional body and regulators to be in very bad taste and a gigantic leap backwards. From comments received from other professionals, I feel it has undermined us all.	5/15/2023 3:23 PM
120	No	5/15/2023 3:07 PM
121	No	5/15/2023 2:48 PM
122	No comment.	5/15/2023 2:45 PM
123	No	5/15/2023 2:36 PM
124	On no account does the membership want the SRA as their regulator for a host of reasons.	5/15/2023 2:36 PM

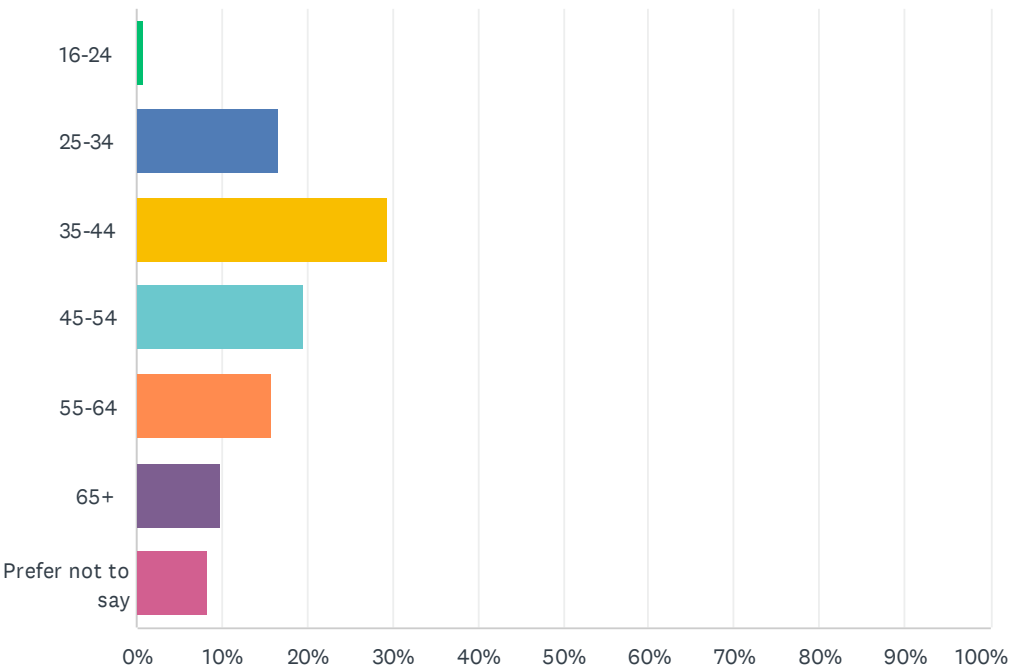
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CILEx Regulation have been a well established regulator and the LSB has confirmed that it is functioning better than say the CLC.

125	As CILEx do not seem to consult on anything to do with the current situation can CRL please keep its regulated members informed at all times? Thank you	5/15/2023 2:25 PM
126	No.	5/15/2023 2:24 PM
127	This has been a mess and embarrassment. It should never got as far as it has without consulting the members. Too many acting in their own self interest rather than the interests of the lawyers.	5/15/2023 2:12 PM
128	This has been a pointless and time wasting exercise, with no consultation or information given to members and is now an embarrassment in the profession.	5/15/2023 2:06 PM
129	.	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
130	Do not swap to regulation by the SRA.	5/15/2023 1:52 PM
131	No	5/15/2023 1:51 PM
132	No	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
133	No	5/15/2023 1:43 PM
134	No	5/15/2023 1:41 PM
135	None	5/15/2023 1:36 PM
136	mo	5/15/2023 1:30 PM
137	I would like to be regulated by SRA.	5/15/2023 1:27 PM
138	CILEx itself is not fit for purpose. When CILEx changed members' titles, they killed off all credibility of Fellows etc. Being advised by an 'Advanced Paralegal' certainly doesn't give clients the confidence it would if they instructed a 'Solicitor'. CILEx is unfit to manage or regulate itself or anyone else. The SRA should review and consider all CILEx Members and admit them as solicitors if they meet the requisite competencies. CILEx should then be dissolved. Despite spending 7 years to 'qualify' with CILEx, because of the disorganisation and mayhem, I am being forced to now also do the SQE at significant cost just to be recognised as anything but a laughing stock amongst my peers.	5/15/2023 1:24 PM
139	Focus is needed to the headline issues which face FCILEx members: Lack of parity with other lawyers Discrimination and snobbery Inability in reality to set up own firm (obtain insurance/ join lender panels etc) Engage with Land Registry and lenders who will continue to treat CILEx as second class lawyers.	5/15/2023 1:16 PM

Q23 AGE Which age category are you currently in?

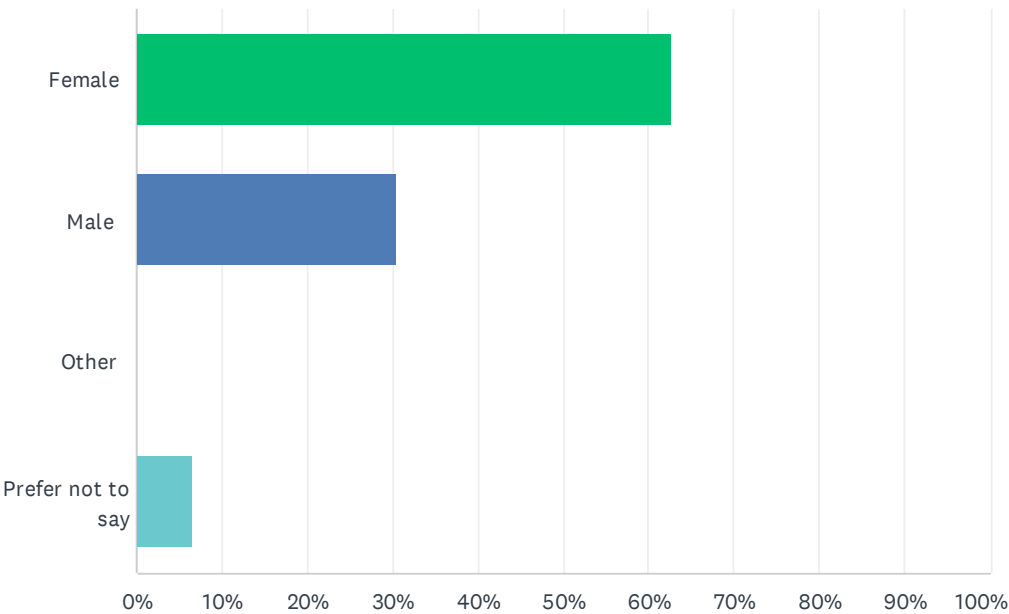
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
16-24	0.75%	1
25-34	16.54%	22
35-44	29.32%	39
45-54	19.55%	26
55-64	15.79%	21
65+	9.77%	13
Prefer not to say	8.27%	11
TOTAL		133

Q24 GENDERWhich gender do you identify with?

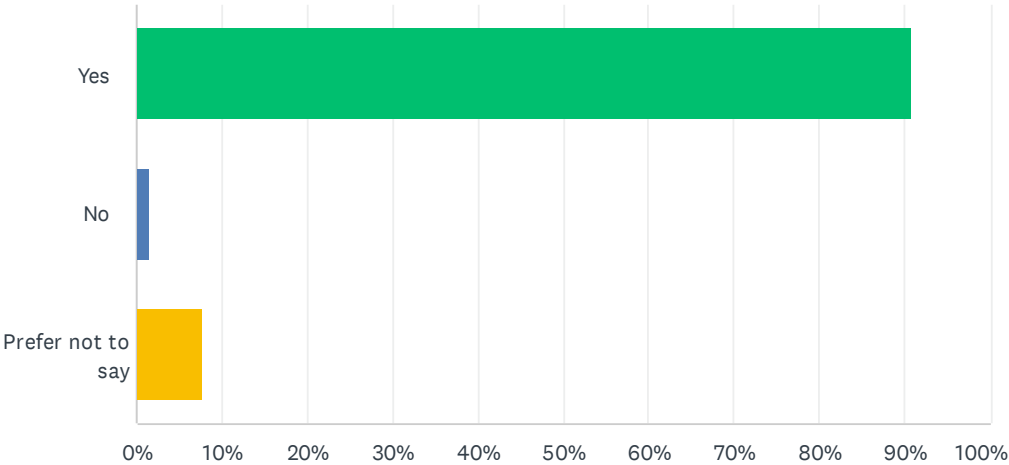
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Female	62.69%	84
Male	30.60%	41
Other	0.00%	0
Prefer not to say	6.72%	9
TOTAL		134

Q25 Is the gender you identify with the same as your sex registered at birth?

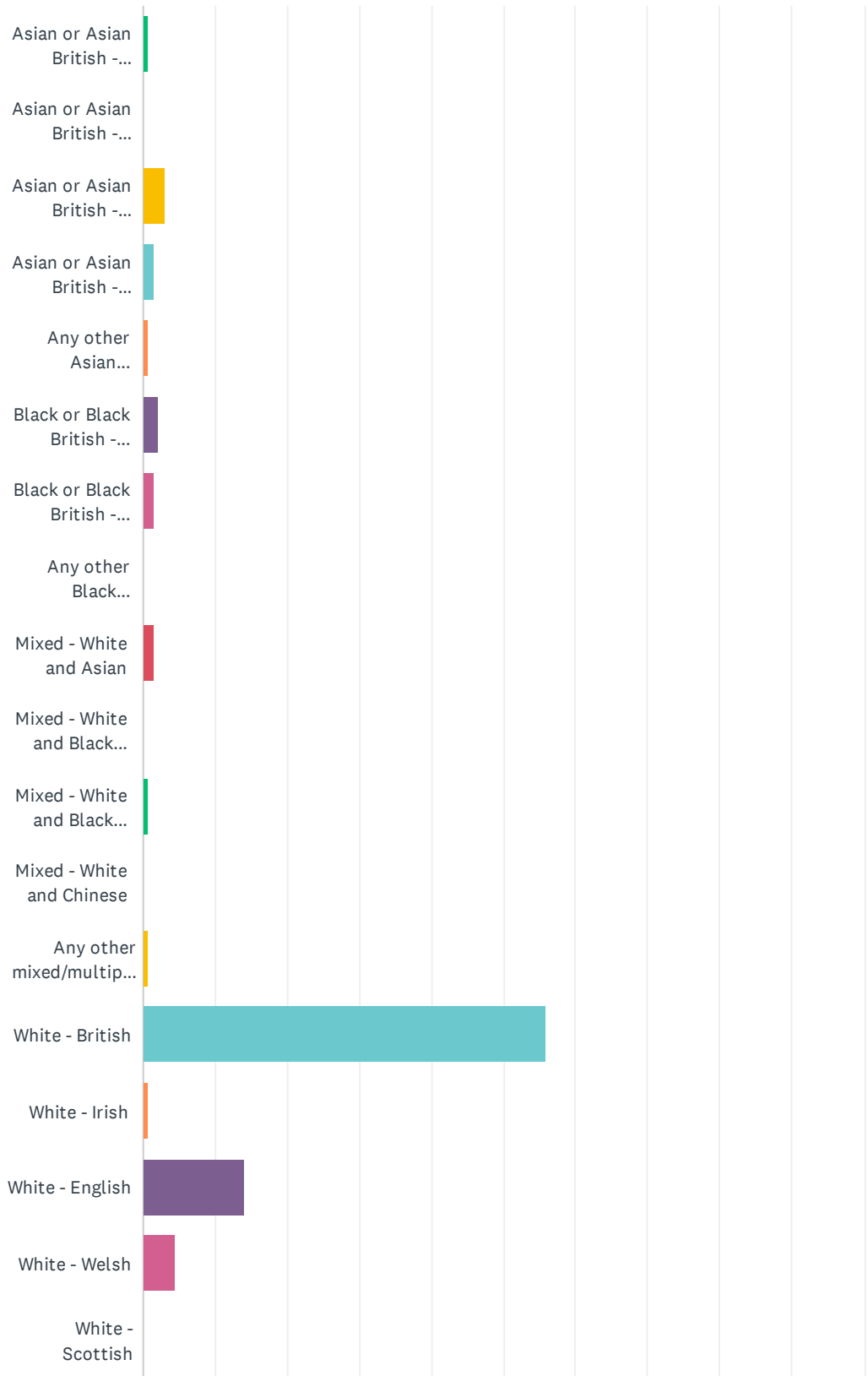
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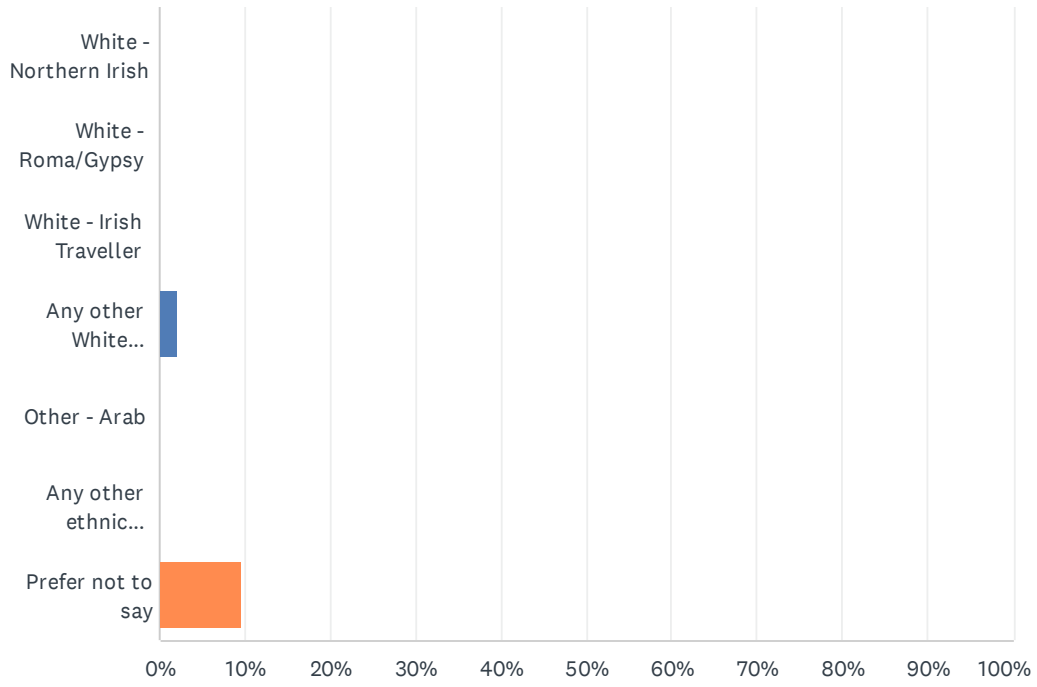
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	90.91%	120
No	1.52%	2
Prefer not to say	7.58%	10
TOTAL		132

Q26 ETHNICITYWhat is your ethnic group? Please select the most appropriate option.

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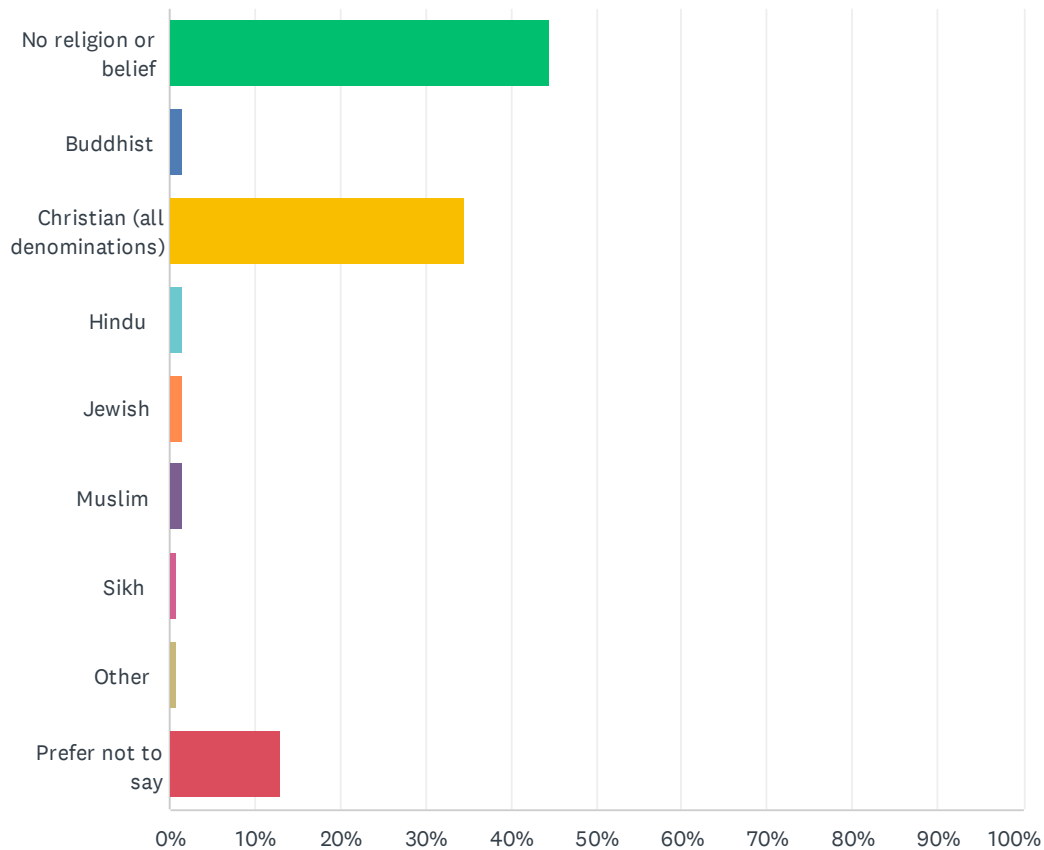


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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Asian or Asian British - Bangladeshi	0.75%	1
Asian or Asian British - Chinese	0.00%	0
Asian or Asian British - Indian	2.99%	4
Asian or Asian British - Pakistani	1.49%	2
Any other Asian background	0.75%	1
Black or Black British - African	2.24%	3
Black or Black British - Caribbean	1.49%	2
Any other Black background	0.00%	0
Mixed - White and Asian	1.49%	2
Mixed - White and Black African	0.00%	0
Mixed - White and Black Caribbean	0.75%	1
Mixed - White and Chinese	0.00%	0
Any other mixed/multiple ethnic background	0.75%	1
White - British	55.97%	75
White - Irish	0.75%	1
White - English	14.18%	19
White - Welsh	4.48%	6
White - Scottish	0.00%	0
White - Northern Irish	0.00%	0
White - Roma/Gypsy	0.00%	0
White - Irish Traveller	0.00%	0
Any other White background	2.24%	3
Other - Arab	0.00%	0
Any other ethnic background	0.00%	0
Prefer not to say	9.70%	13
TOTAL		134

Q27 Religion What is your religion or belief?

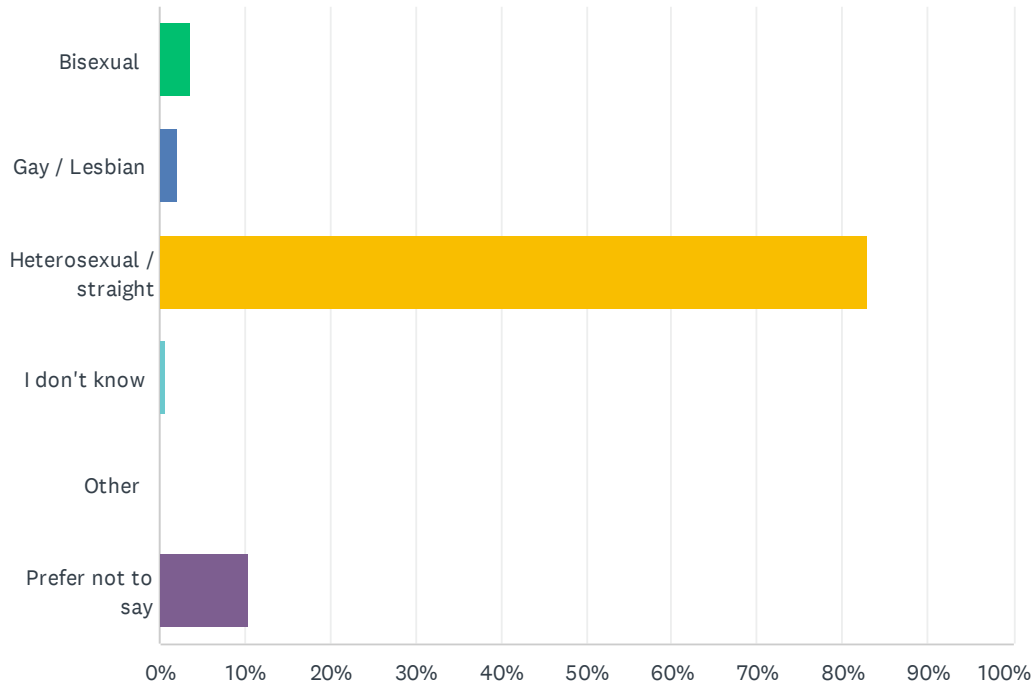
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
No religion or belief	44.62%	58
Buddhist	1.54%	2
Christian (all denominations)	34.62%	45
Hindu	1.54%	2
Jewish	1.54%	2
Muslim	1.54%	2
Sikh	0.77%	1
Other	0.77%	1
Prefer not to say	13.08%	17
TOTAL		130

Q28 Sexual Orientation Which of the following best describes your sexual orientation?

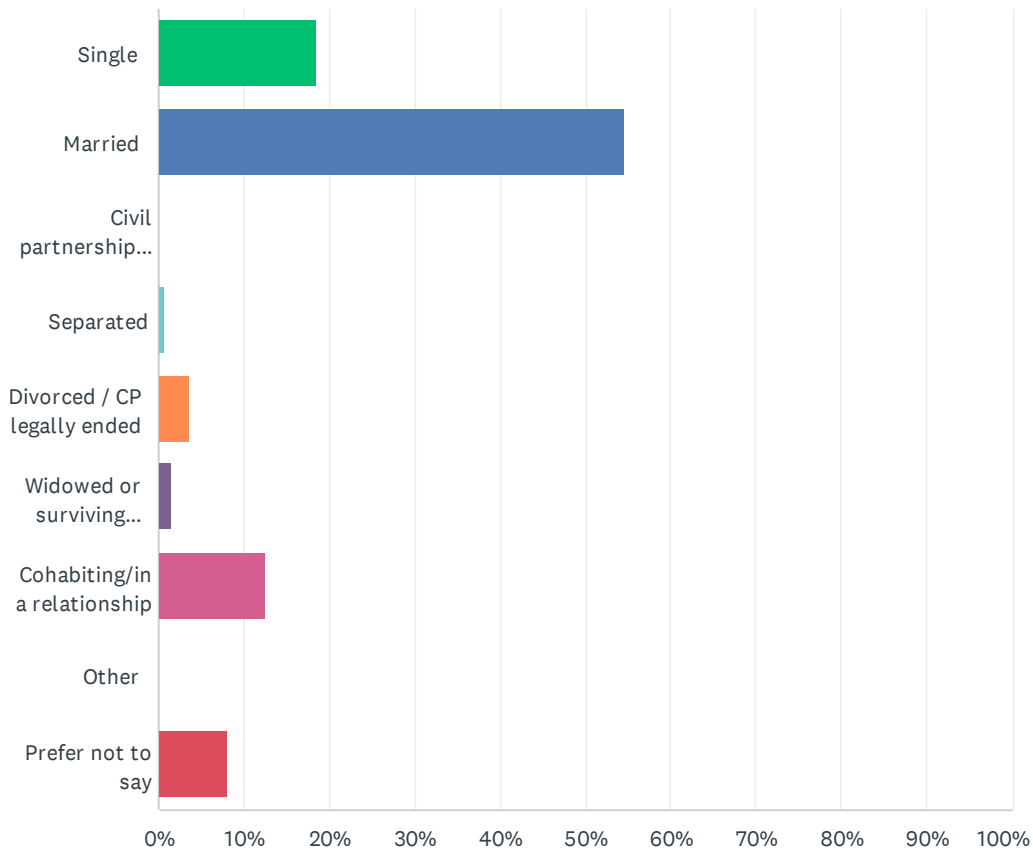
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Bisexual	3.73%	5
Gay / Lesbian	2.24%	3
Heterosexual / straight	82.84%	111
I don't know	0.75%	1
Other	0.00%	0
Prefer not to say	10.45%	14
TOTAL		134

Q29 Marital statusWhat is your marital or civil partnership status?

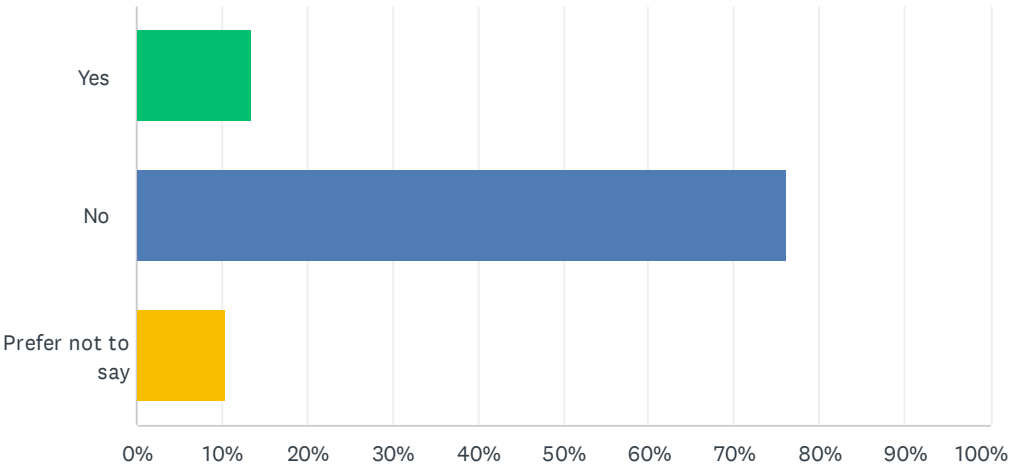
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Single	18.66%	25
Married	54.48%	73
Civil partnership (CP)	0.00%	0
Separated	0.75%	1
Divorced / CP legally ended	3.73%	5
Widowed or surviving partner	1.49%	2
Cohabiting/in a relationship	12.69%	17
Other	0.00%	0
Prefer not to say	8.21%	11
TOTAL		134

Q30 Disability and HealthThe Equality Act 2010 defines a disabled person as someone who has a mental or physical impairment that has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on the person’s ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities. If you have a condition which fits the Equality Act definition, please tick 'Yes' even if you are not limited by your condition.Do you consider yourself to have a disability according to the definition in the Equality Act 2010?

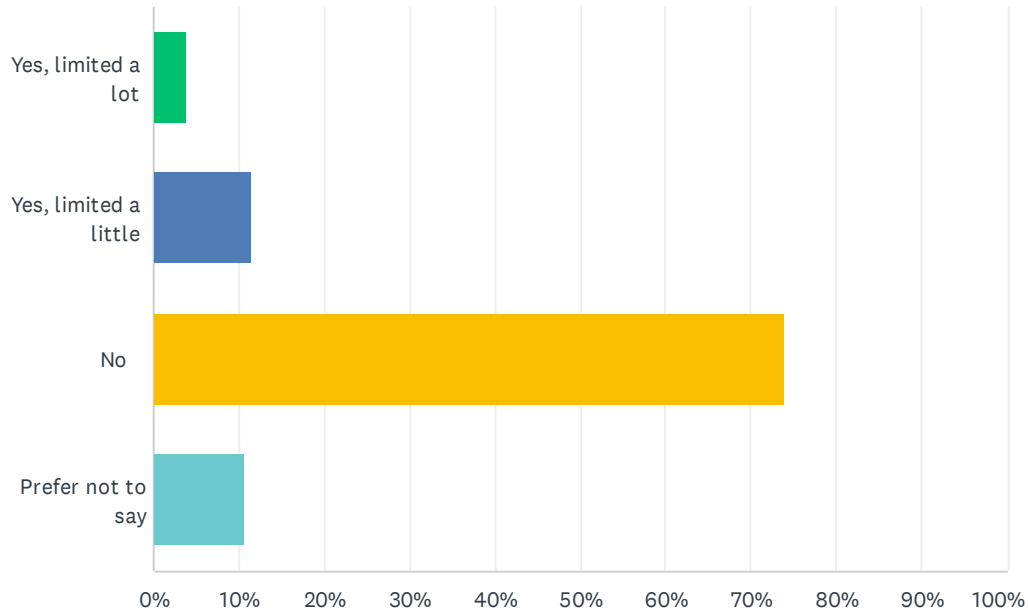
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	13.43%	18
No	76.12%	102
Prefer not to say	10.45%	14
TOTAL		134

Q31 Are your day-to-day activities limited because of a health problem or disability which has lasted, or is expected to last, at least 12 months?

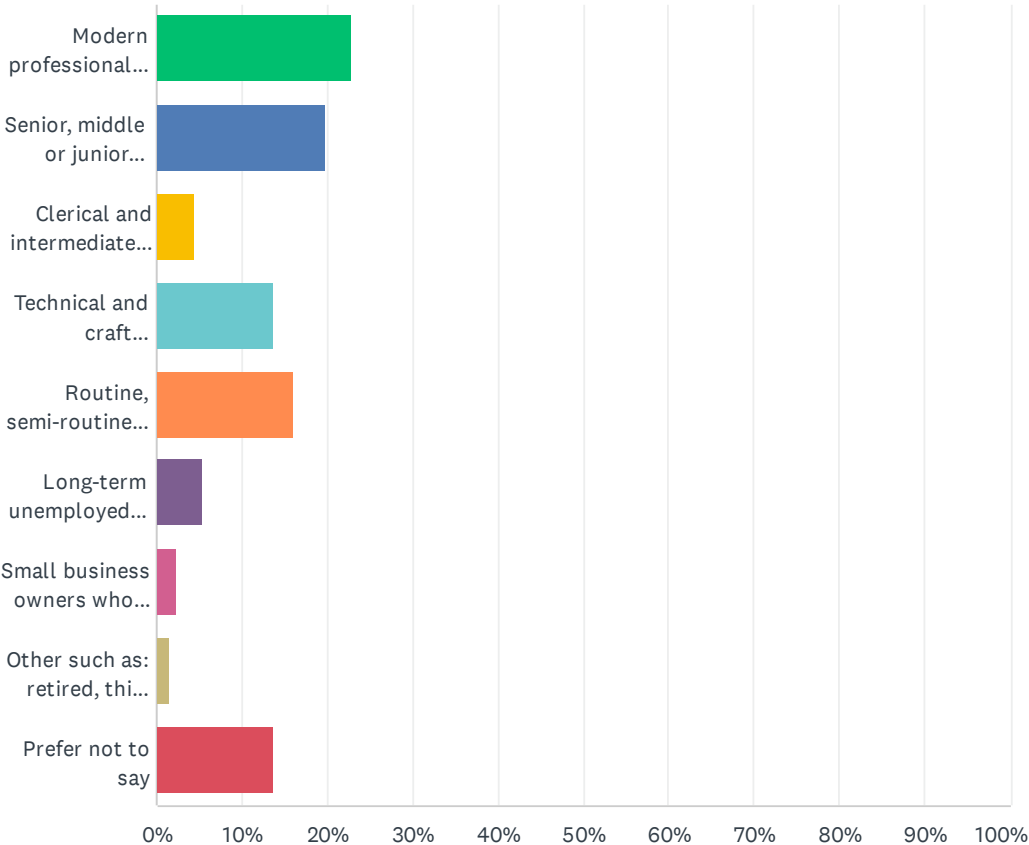
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, limited a lot	3.82%	5
Yes, limited a little	11.45%	15
No	74.05%	97
Prefer not to say	10.69%	14
TOTAL		131

Q32 Social mobilityWhat was the occupation of your main household earner when you were about aged 14?

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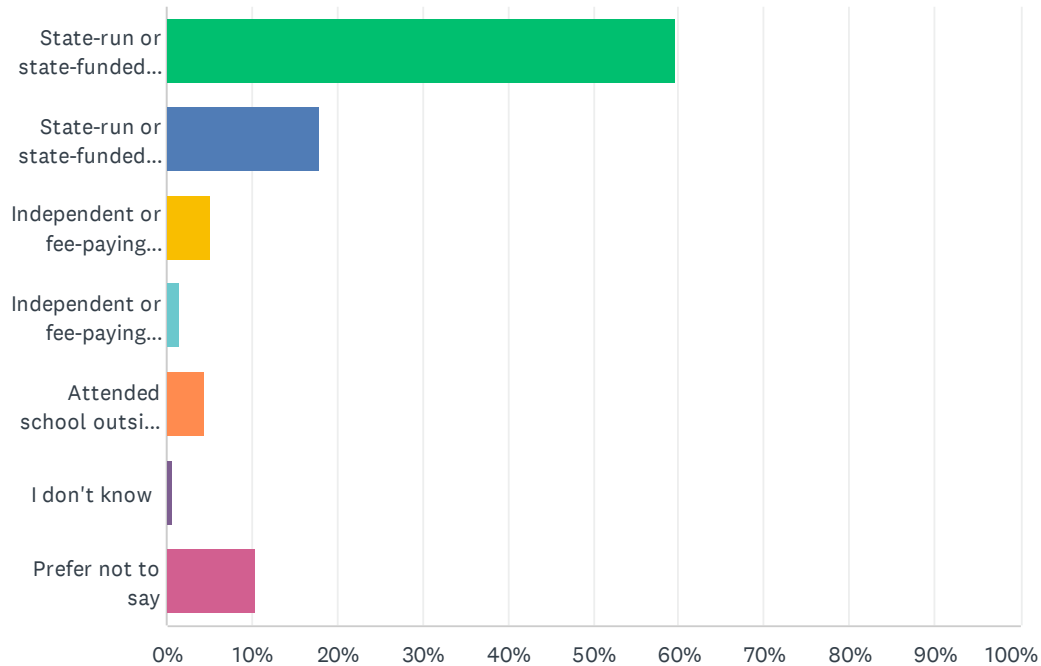


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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Modern professional and traditional professional occupations such as: teacher, nurse, physiotherapist, social worker, musician, police officer (sergeant or above), software designer, accountant, solicitor/barrister/chartered legal executive/judge, medical practitioner, scientist, civil / mechanical engineer.	22.90%	30
Senior, middle or junior managers or administrators such as: finance manager, chief executive, large business owner, office manager, retail manager, bank manager, restaurant manager, warehouse manager.	19.85%	26
Clerical and intermediate occupations such as: secretary, personal assistant, call centre agent, clerical worker, nursery nurse.	4.58%	6
Technical and craft occupations such as: motor mechanic, plumber, printer, electrician, gardener, train driver.	13.74%	18
Routine, semi-routine manual and service occupations such as: postal worker, machine operative, security guard, caretaker, farm worker, catering assistant, sales assistant, HGV driver, cleaner, porter, packer, labourer, waiter/waitress, bar staff.	16.03%	21
Long-term unemployed (claimed Jobseeker's Allowance or earlier unemployment benefit for more than a year).	5.34%	7
Small business owners who employed less than 25 people such as: corner shop owners, small plumbing companies, retail shop owner, single restaurant or cafe owner, taxi owner, garage owner.	2.29%	3
Other such as: retired, this question does not apply to me, I don't know.	1.53%	2
Prefer not to say	13.74%	18
TOTAL		131

Q33 Which type of school did you attend for the most time between the ages of 11 and 16?

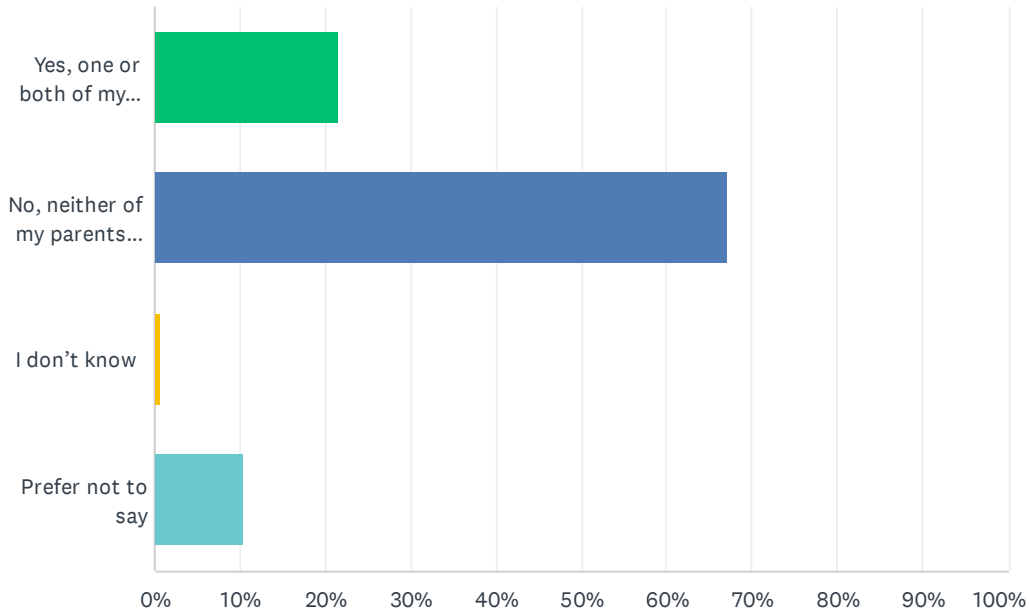
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
State-run or state-funded school - non-selective	59.70%	80
State-run or state-funded school - selective	17.91%	24
Independent or fee-paying school	5.22%	7
Independent or fee-paying school, with means tested bursary of 90% or more of total cost	1.49%	2
Attended school outside the UK	4.48%	6
I don't know	0.75%	1
Prefer not to say	10.45%	14
TOTAL		134

Q34 Did either of your parents attend university and gain a degree (e.g. BA/BSc or equivalent) by the time you were 18?

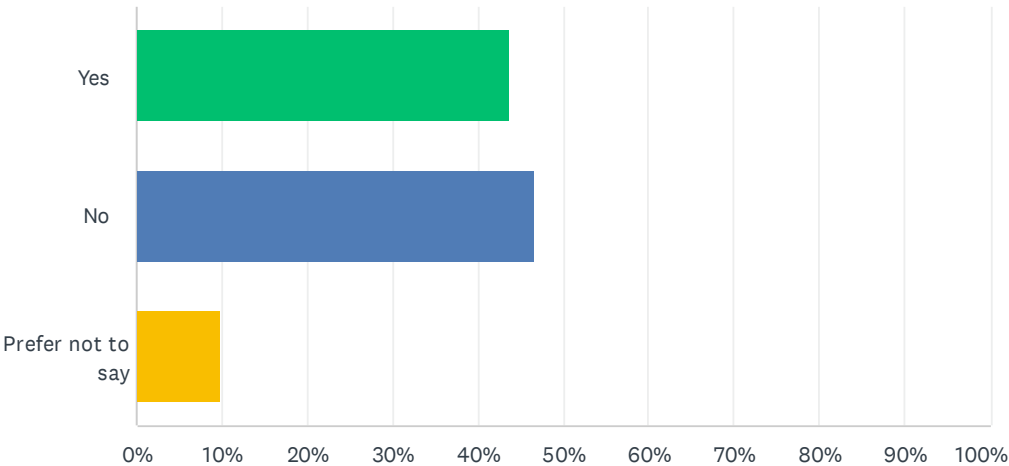
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes, one or both of my parents attended university	21.64%	29
No, neither of my parents attended university	67.16%	90
I don't know	0.75%	1
Prefer not to say	10.45%	14
TOTAL		134

Q35 Did you gain an undergraduate university degree?

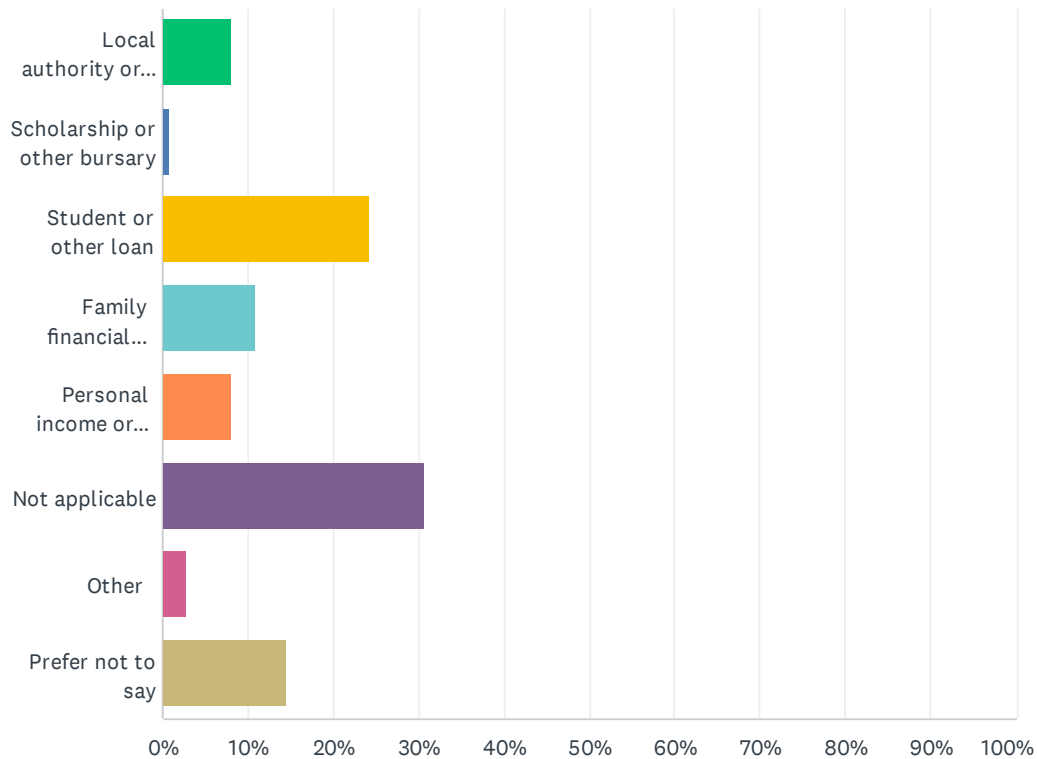
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	43.61%	58
No	46.62%	62
Prefer not to say	9.77%	13
TOTAL		133

Q36 If you went to university, how was it funded?

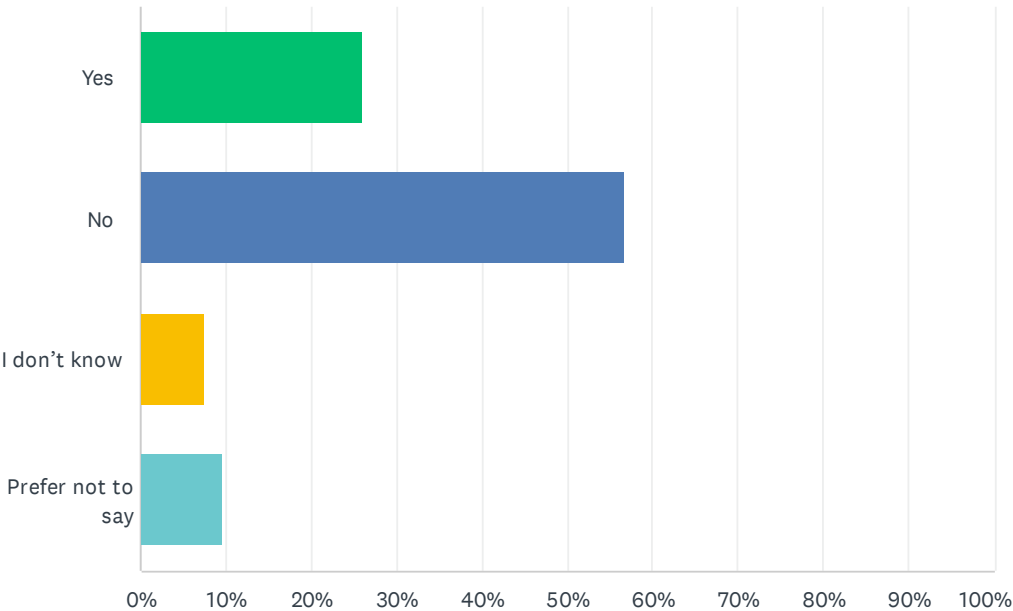
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Local authority or other grant	8.11%	9
Scholarship or other bursary	0.90%	1
Student or other loan	24.32%	27
Family financial support	10.81%	12
Personal income or savings	8.11%	9
Not applicable	30.63%	34
Other	2.70%	3
Prefer not to say	14.41%	16
TOTAL		111

Q37 At any point during your school years did your household receive Income Support?

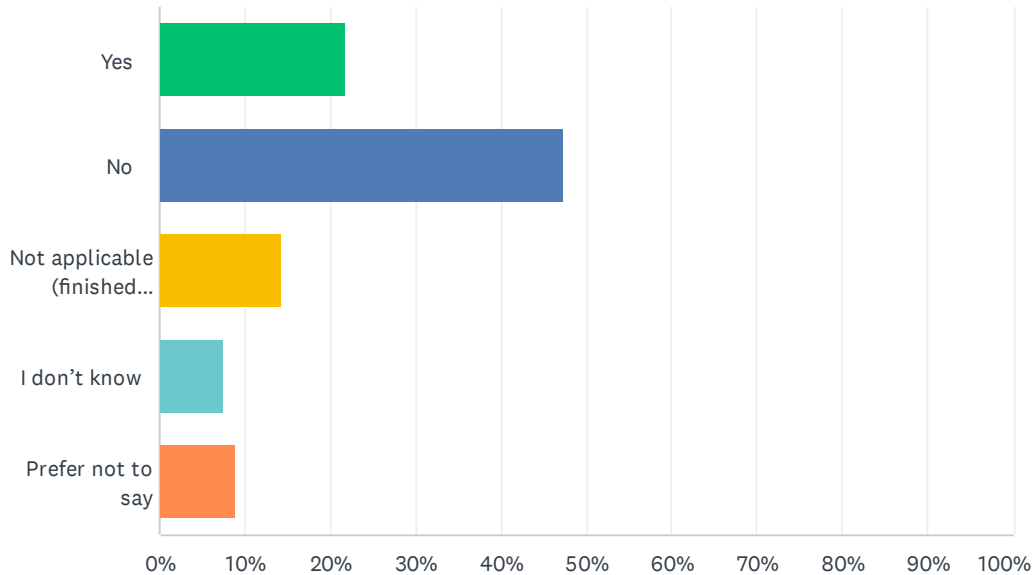
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	26.12%	35
No	56.72%	76
I don't know	7.46%	10
Prefer not to say	9.70%	13
TOTAL		134

Q38 If you finished school after 1980, were you eligible for free school meals at any point during your school years?

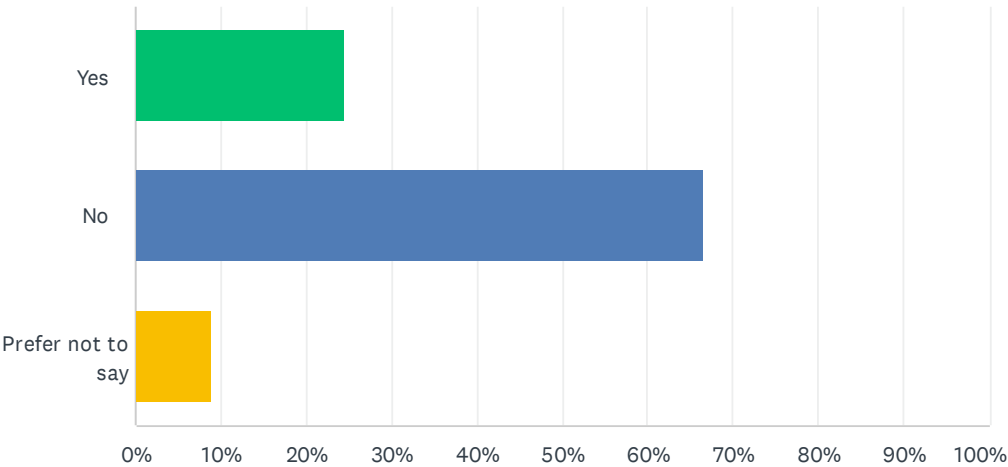
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	21.80%	29
No	47.37%	63
Not applicable (finished school before 1980 or went to school overseas)	14.29%	19
I don't know	7.52%	10
Prefer not to say	9.02%	12
TOTAL		133

Q39 Caring ResponsibilitiesAre you a primary carer for a child or children under 18?

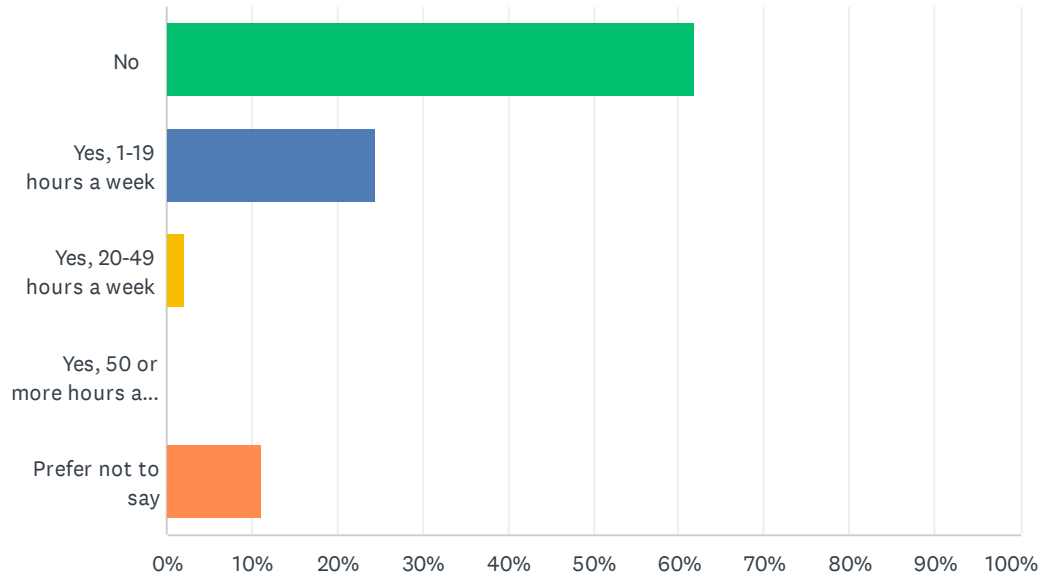
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	24.63%	33
No	66.42%	89
Prefer not to say	8.96%	12
TOTAL		134

Q40 Do you look after, or give any help or support to family members, friends, neighbours or others?

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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
No	61.94%	83
Yes, 1-19 hours a week	24.63%	33
Yes, 20-49 hours a week	2.24%	3
Yes, 50 or more hours a week	0.00%	0
Prefer not to say	11.19%	15
TOTAL		134