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Studies in Scotland and Germany show significantly higher acceptance

Community Power wind farms



Community Power: Case Study Scotland

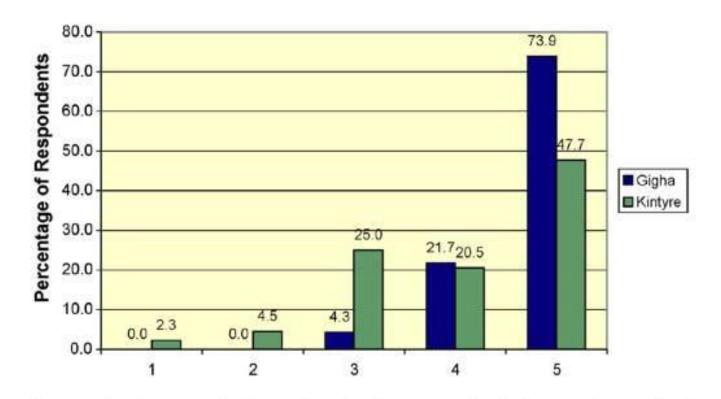


Fig. 4. Attitudes towards increasing development of wind power in Scotland. 1 = Very opposed, 2 = opposed, 3 = neutral, 4 = supportive, 5 = very supportive.

Source: "Does community ownership affect public attitudes to wind energy? A case study from south-west Scotland", published 2009, by Charles R. Warren, Malcolm McFadyen, School of Geography & Geosciences, University of St Andrews, United Kingdom



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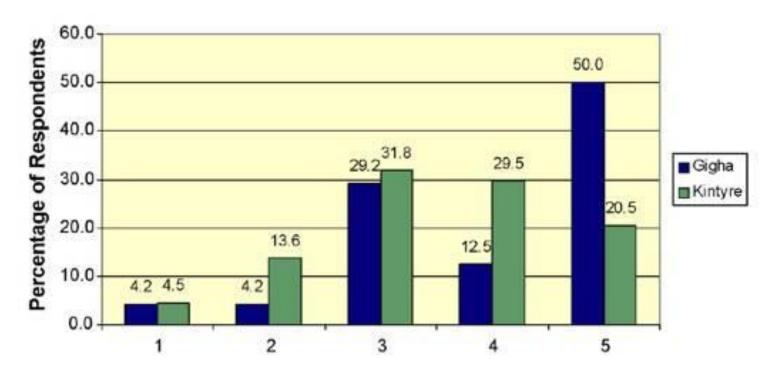
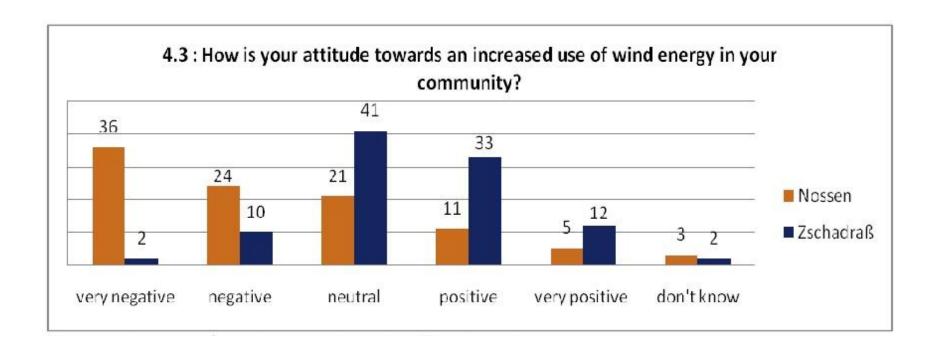


Fig. 5. Respondents' evaluation of the visual impact of windfarms on the local landscape. 1 = Very negative, 5 = very positive.

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Community Power: Case Study Germany



Source: LOCAL ACCEPTANCE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY – A CASE STUDY FROM SOUTHEAST GERMANY, published 2011, by Fabian David Musall* and Onno Kuik, Institute for Environmental Studies, VU University Amsterdam



WWEA's Definition of Community Power

Community Power can be defined by any combination of two of the following three elements:

- 1. Local stakeholders own the majority or all of a project
- 2. Voting control rests with the community-based organization
- 1. The majority of social and economic benefits are distributed locally

There is a broad variety of different legal and economic forms of community power.

WWEA Sustainability Guidelines published in 2005 recommend community invovlement and community ownership models.



Denmark

