## QUESTION OF THE WEEK, WEEK 3 (17-21.1.2024)

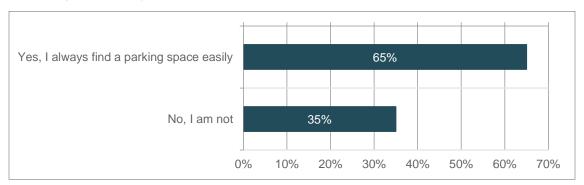
NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 384

The margin of error is 5 % and thereby the answers are considered to reflect the opinions of the population in Jakobstad.

## PARKING IN JAKOBSTAD

In the Question of the Week the residents were asked: "The town of Jakobstad has begun working on a parking strategy. The work explores the need for developing the parking and creates goals and plans for how to develop parking in the future. The work is related to the wider development of central Jakobstad.

Are you satisfied with the parking arrangements in central Jakobstad? (Feel free to comment your answer)"



The residents were also asked: "What is the most common reason you park in the town centre of Jakobstad?"

	n	Percent
I live in the area	22	5,7%
My workplace is in the town centre	27	7,1%
Work-related matters	12	3,1%
School or other study-related trips	1	0,3%
I'm visiting someone who lives in the area	7	1,8%
I use the service in the area	269	70,2%
I visit the area in my spare time	19	5,0%
I don't park in the town centre	15	3,9%
Other, what? You can specify here	11	2,9%

Finally, the residents were asked: "You can best influence the arrangements for parking and delivery of goods by answering a wider survey about the parking strategy for the town of Jakobstad.

Do you want to participate in the wider survey?"

	n	Percent
Yes, I participate in the survey for residents (when clicking Submit, the survey opens automatically, NB only in Finnish and Swedish)	176	45,8%
Yes, I participate in the survey for companies (when clicking Submit, the survey opens automatically, NB only in Finnish and Swedish)	7	1,8%
I have already answered the survey		8,9%
No	167	43,5%

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION

Parking solutions affect the residents' quality of life, and accessibility is of great importance for the competitiveness of the business sector. The purpose of the parking policy is to enable the town to function now and in the future.

## **NEXT STEP**

The consultant will now process the information obtained from different surveys and interviews and makes preliminary proposals for a parking solution. (in February)

The planned policies and plans are still tested in some way. Different solutions can be illustrated with pictures and residents can be consulted.

The workshop and presentation event will be organized for residents, people working in the surrounding areas and shoppers. The event will be held in the plan draft phase when it is still possible to influence the solutions. (in March)

A separate information meeting will be organized for companies also during the draft phase of the plan. The event will present statistical information on what has happened in other cities when the number of parking spaces have been reduced and how to proceed in creating a more pleasant urban environment. (in March)

The report on the work will be completed in April.

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