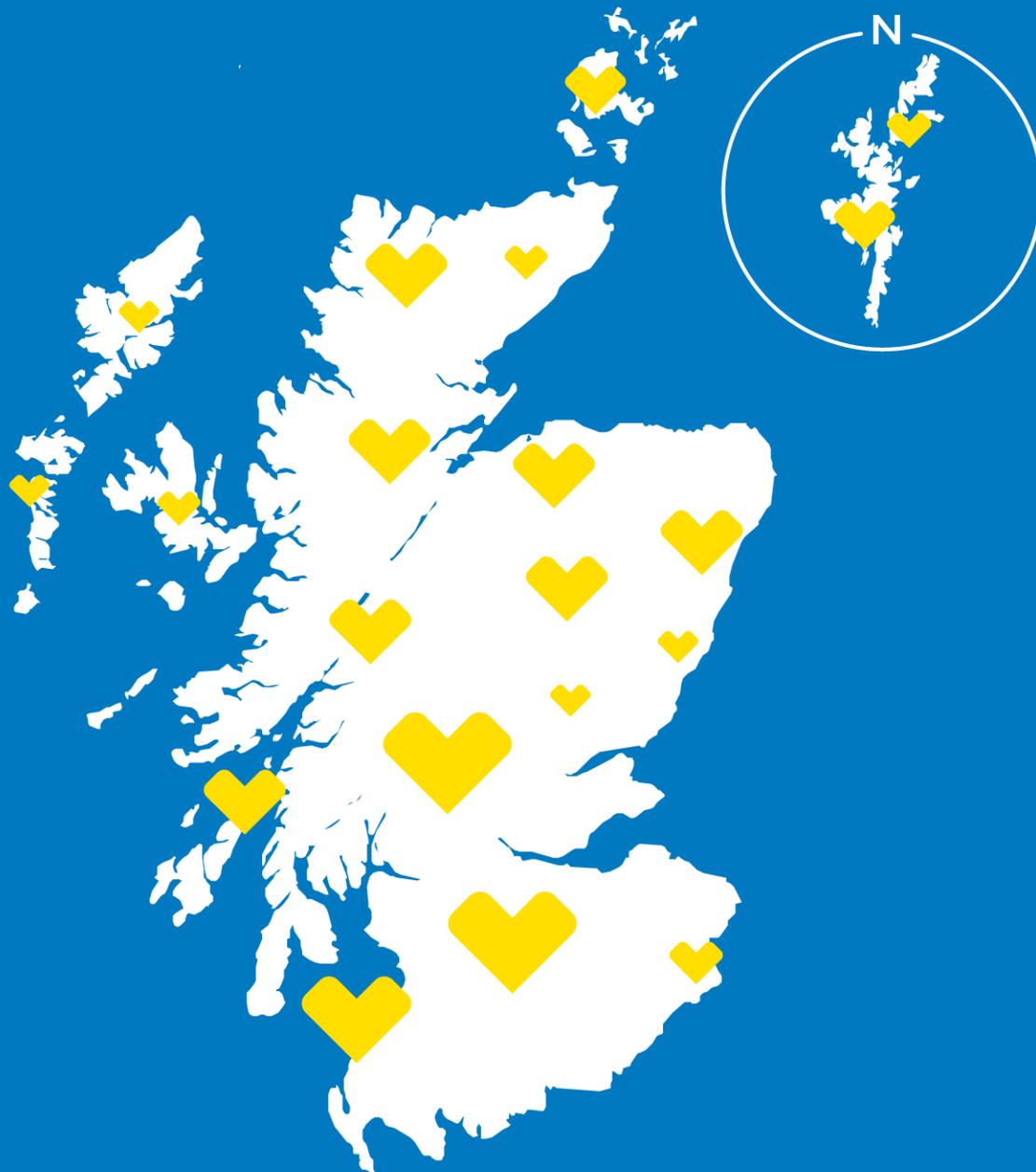


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Impact of COVID-19 on the Third Sector in Scotland

Summary presentation of
volunteering data from TSI
Scotland Network Survey -
June 2020

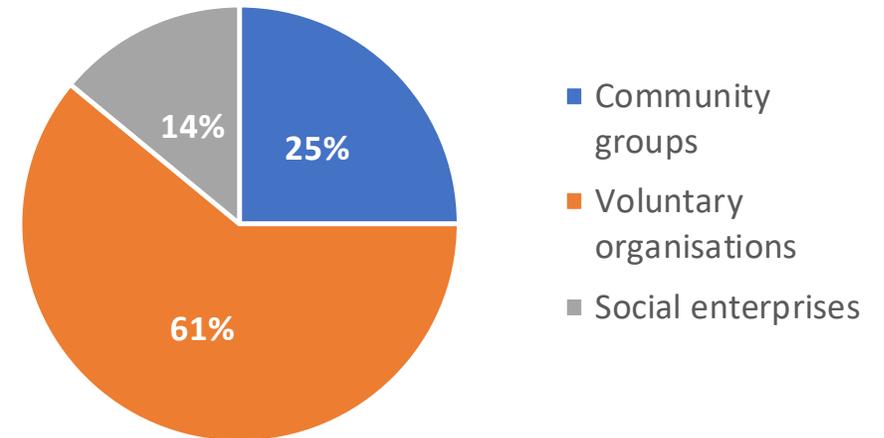


TSI Scotland Network Survey



- **Objective** – ‘To gain a deeper understanding of the impact of COVID-19 on the third sector
- **Method** – online survey conducted during April – May 2020
- **Response** – 1,184 organisations responded with representation from all 32 local authorities
- **Acknowledgement** – Volunteer Scotland would like to thank the TSI Scotland Network for providing access to their data and GCVS for supporting this analysis on volunteering

Third sector respondents

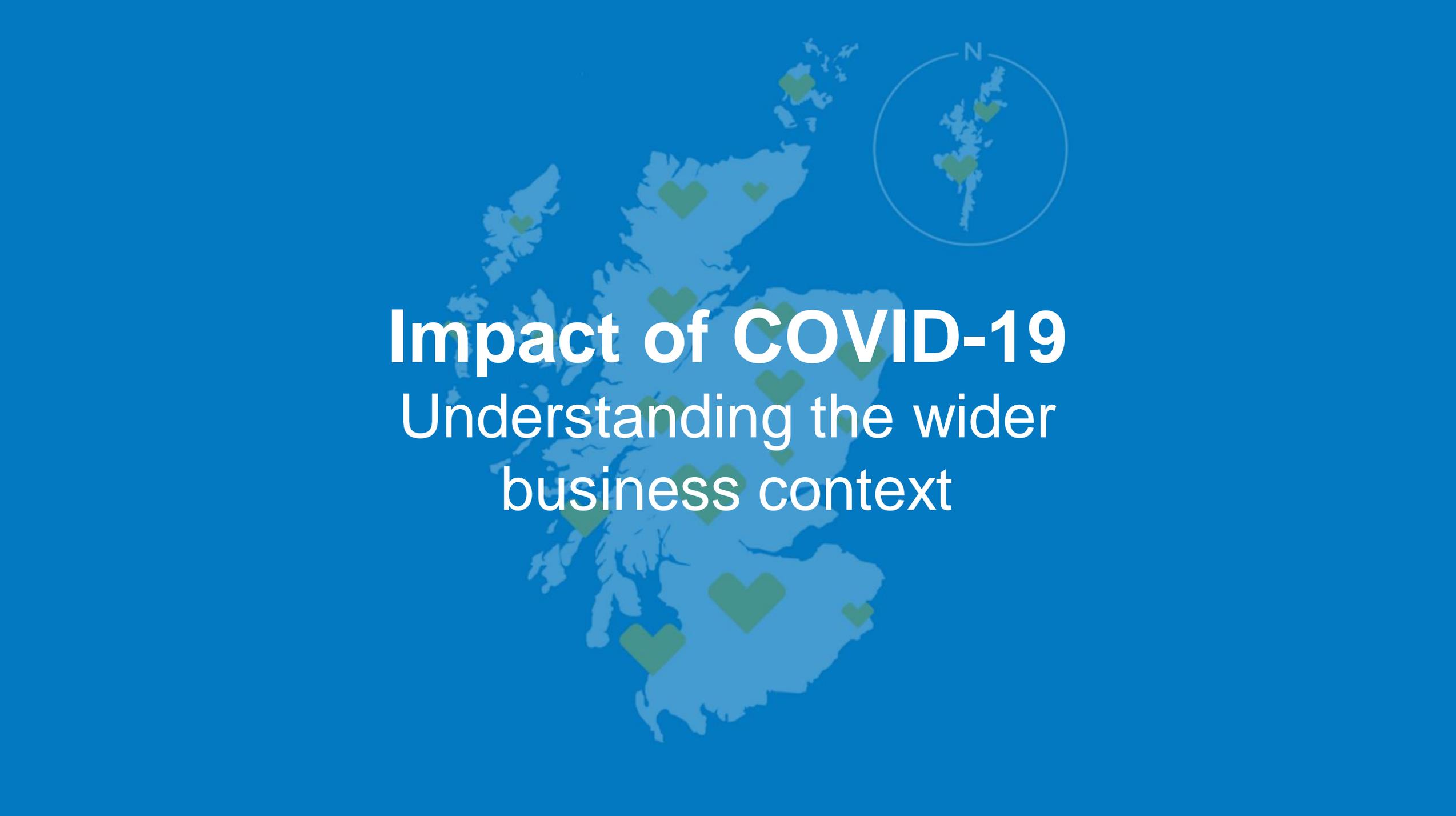


Source: TSI Scotland Network Survey – June 2020

Link to the national TSI Scotland Network Survey results
<https://www.gcv.org.uk/blog/tsi-coronavirus-survey/>

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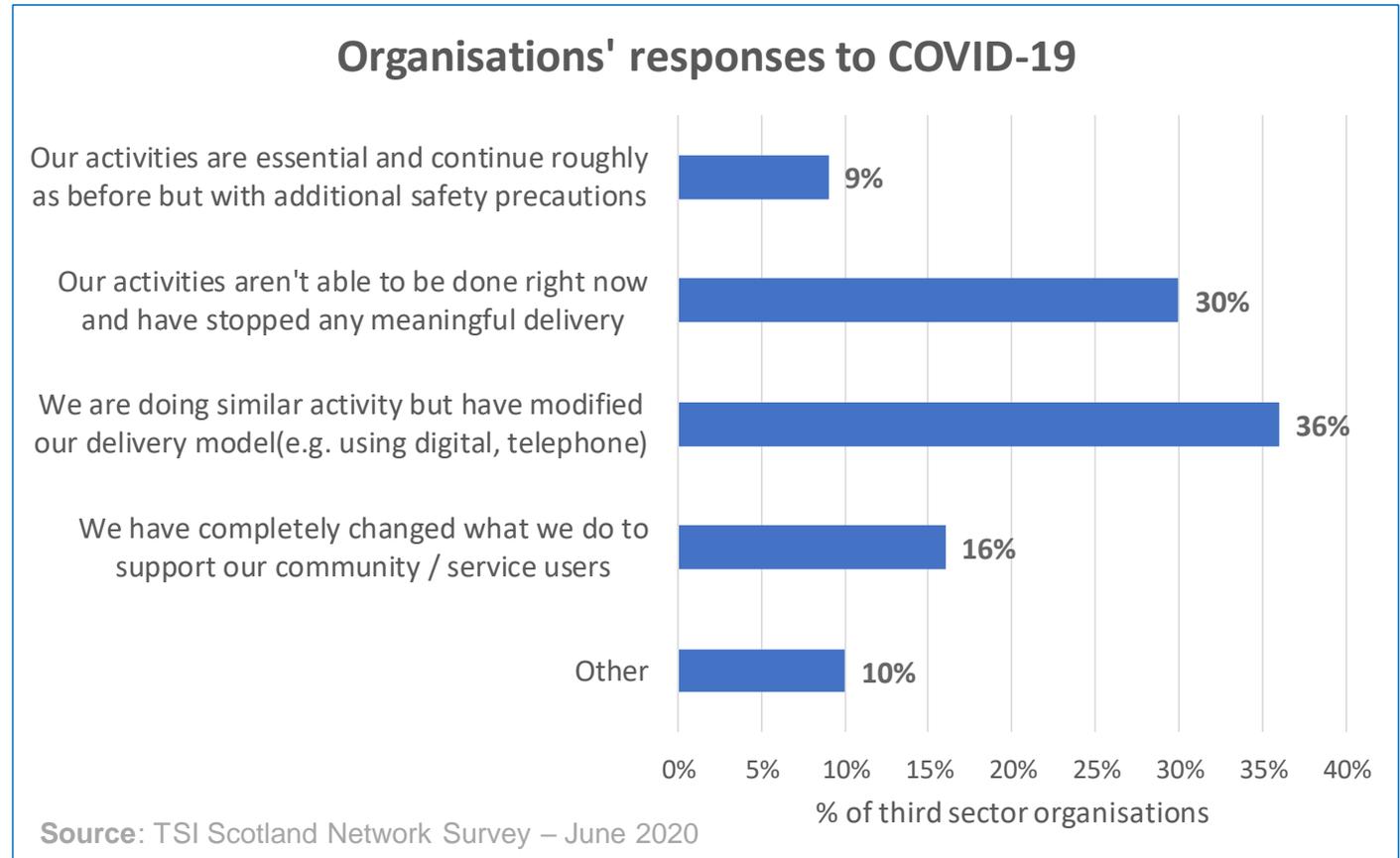
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Understanding the wider business context

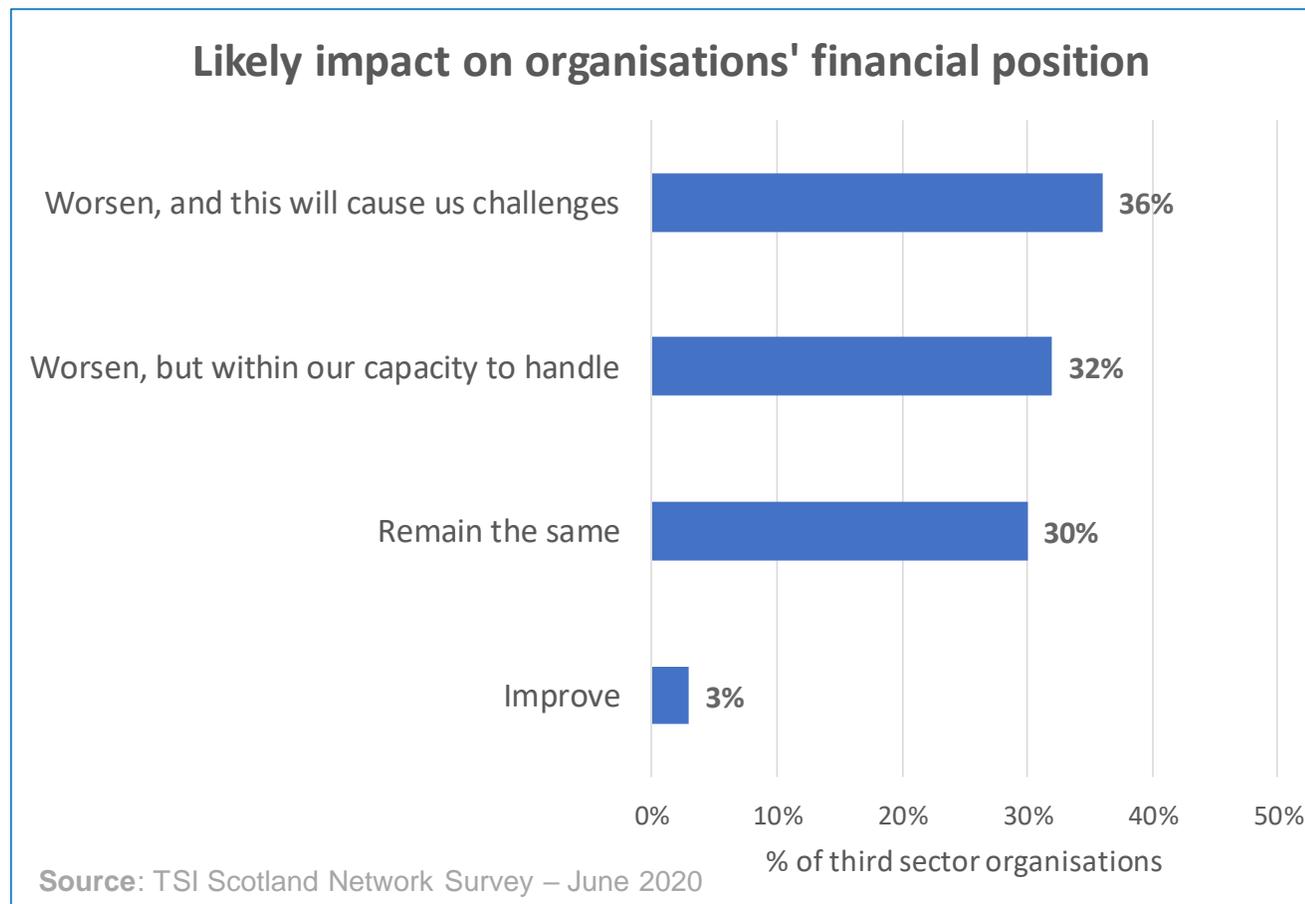
Impact of COVID-19 on operational activity

- 91% of organisations have been impacted in one way or another
- Impact on volunteering is likely to be significant:
 - 30% have stopped 'meaningful delivery'
 - 36% have modified their 'delivery model'
 - 16% have completely changed what they do



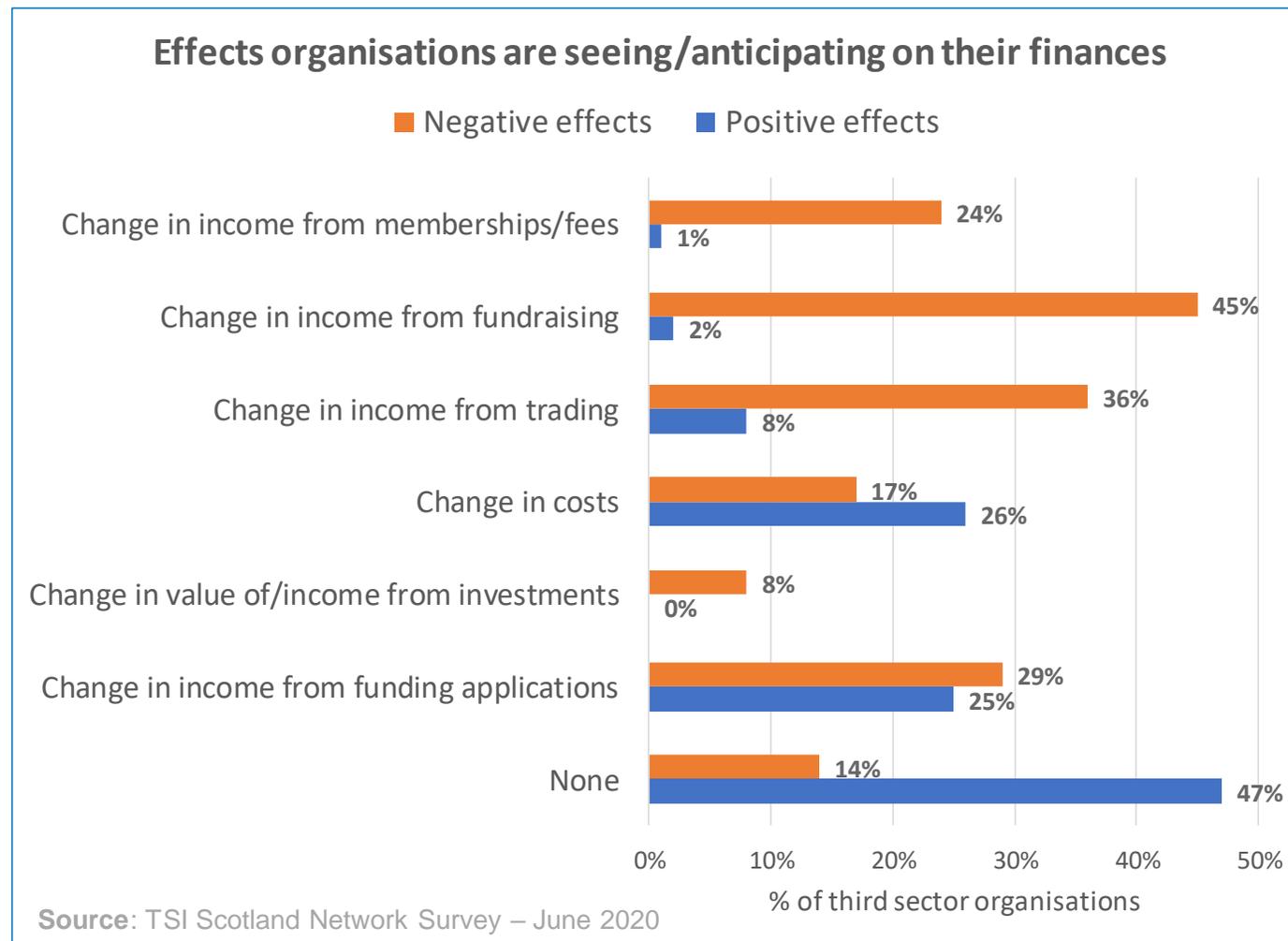
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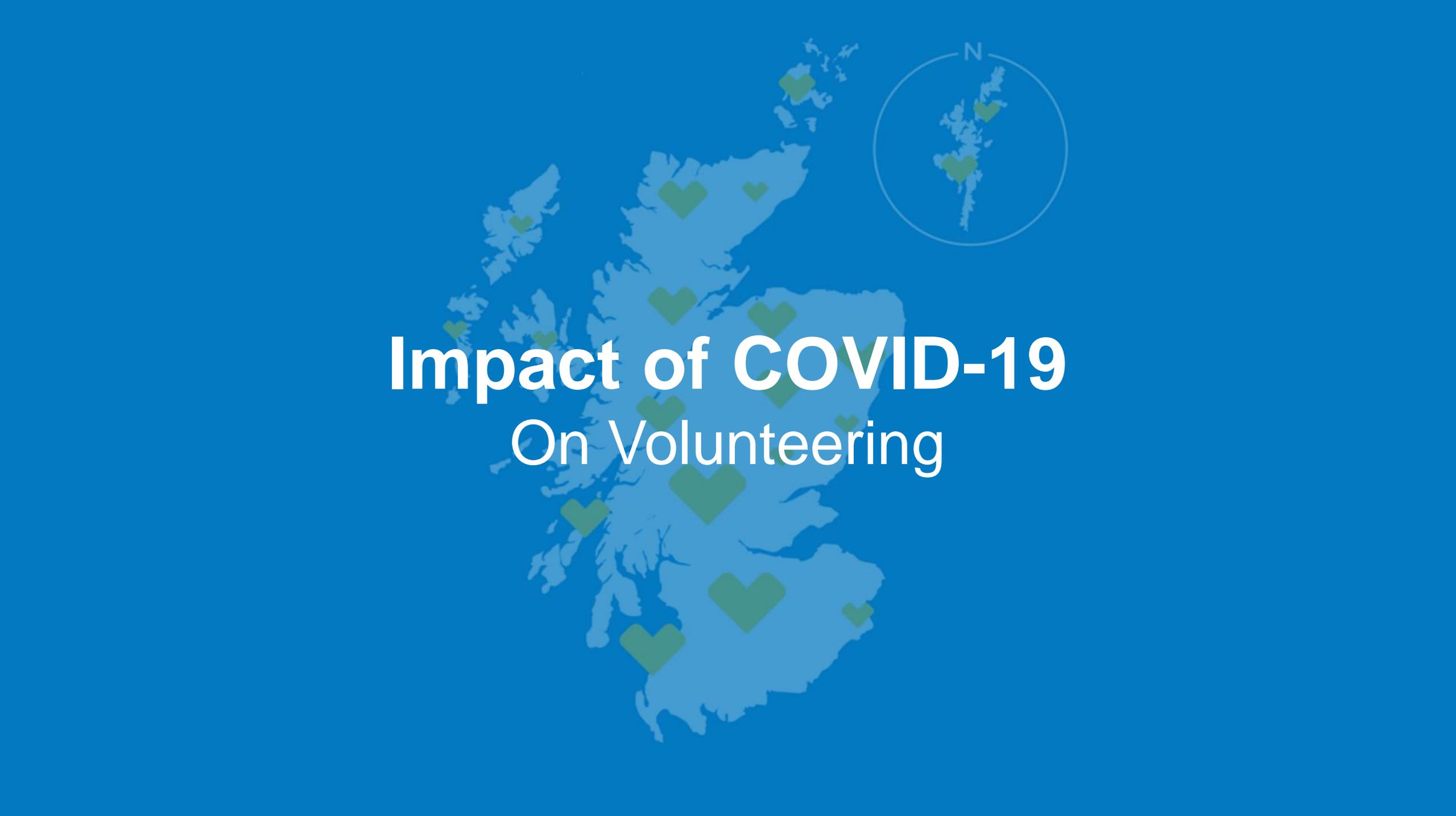
- 2/3^{rds} of organisations are likely to experience a deteriorating financial position (68%)
- For 36% of organisations this will give them challenges
- Only 3% are likely to experience an improving financial position



Impact of COVID-19 on financial position

- The major negative financial impacts relate to organisations' income (actual or potential):
 - 45% - less income from fundraising
 - 36% - less income from trading
 - 24% - less income from memberships/fees
- 86% of organisations are seeing or anticipate some form of negative financial effects
- Only for 'change in costs' do more organisations consider this a positive rather than a negative (26% vs. 17%)



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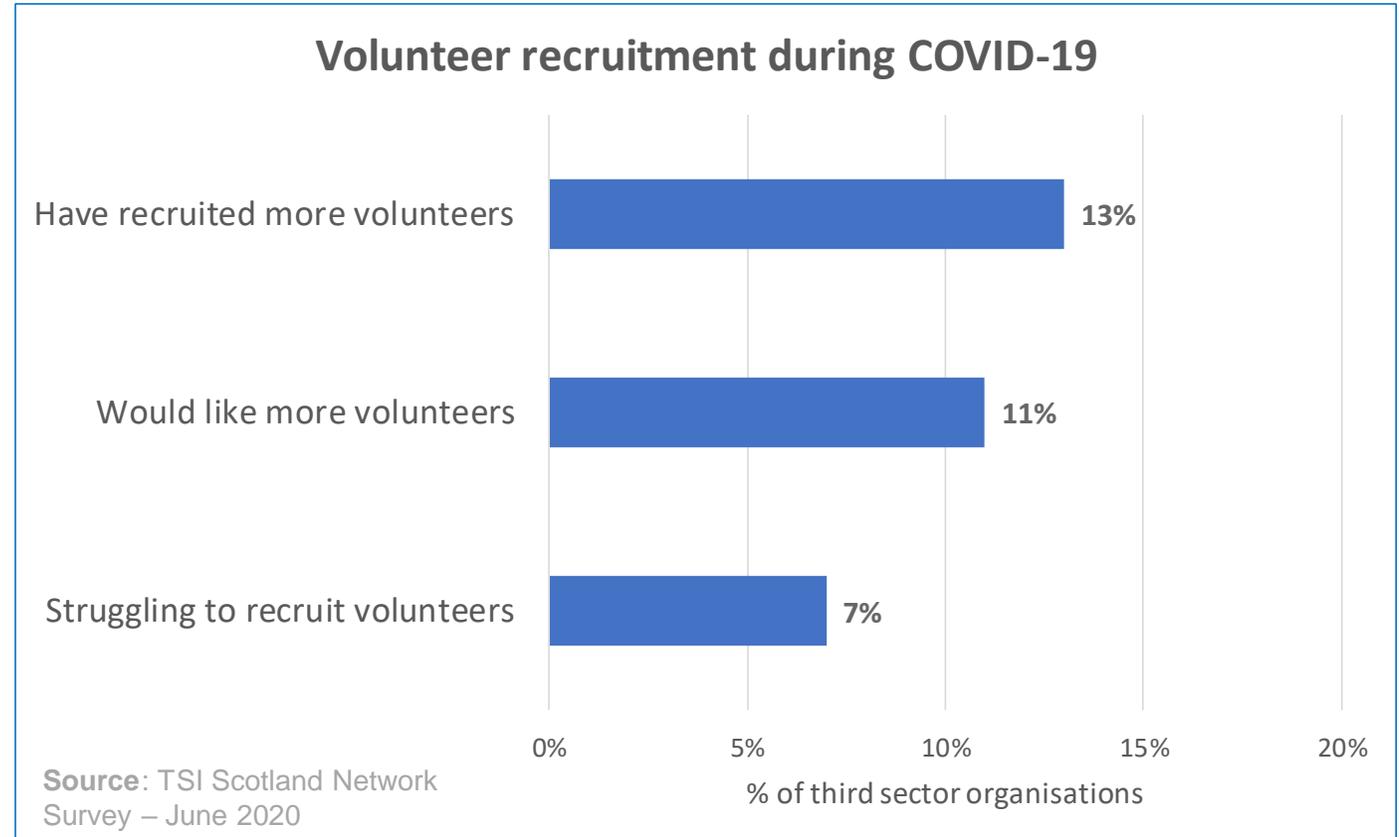
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Impact of COVID-19 on volunteering recruitment

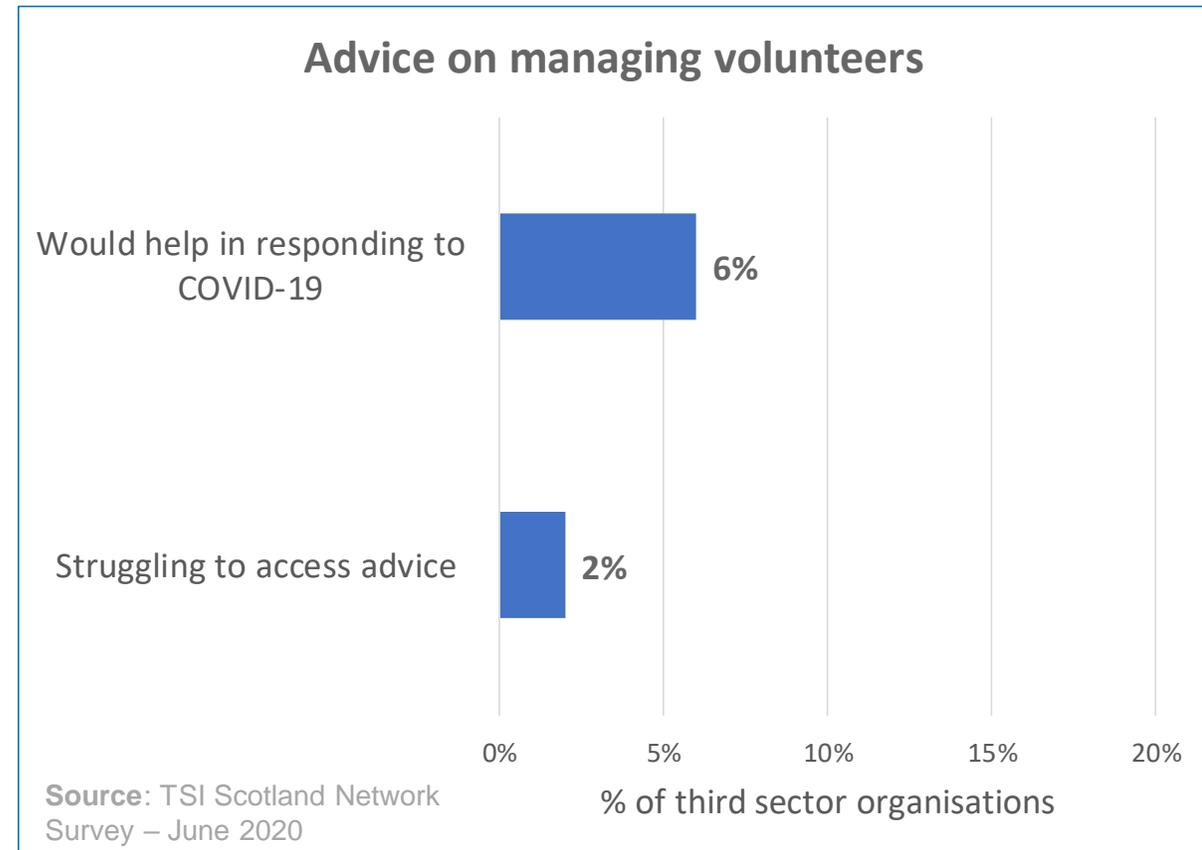


- Only 13% of organisations have recruited more volunteers reflecting the problems of social distancing, reduced operations, etc.
- However, a significant minority (11%) would like to recruit more volunteers
- And 7% are struggling to recruit
- The conclusion is that despite the widely recognised issue of an excess supply of volunteers, there are still pockets of unfilled demand.



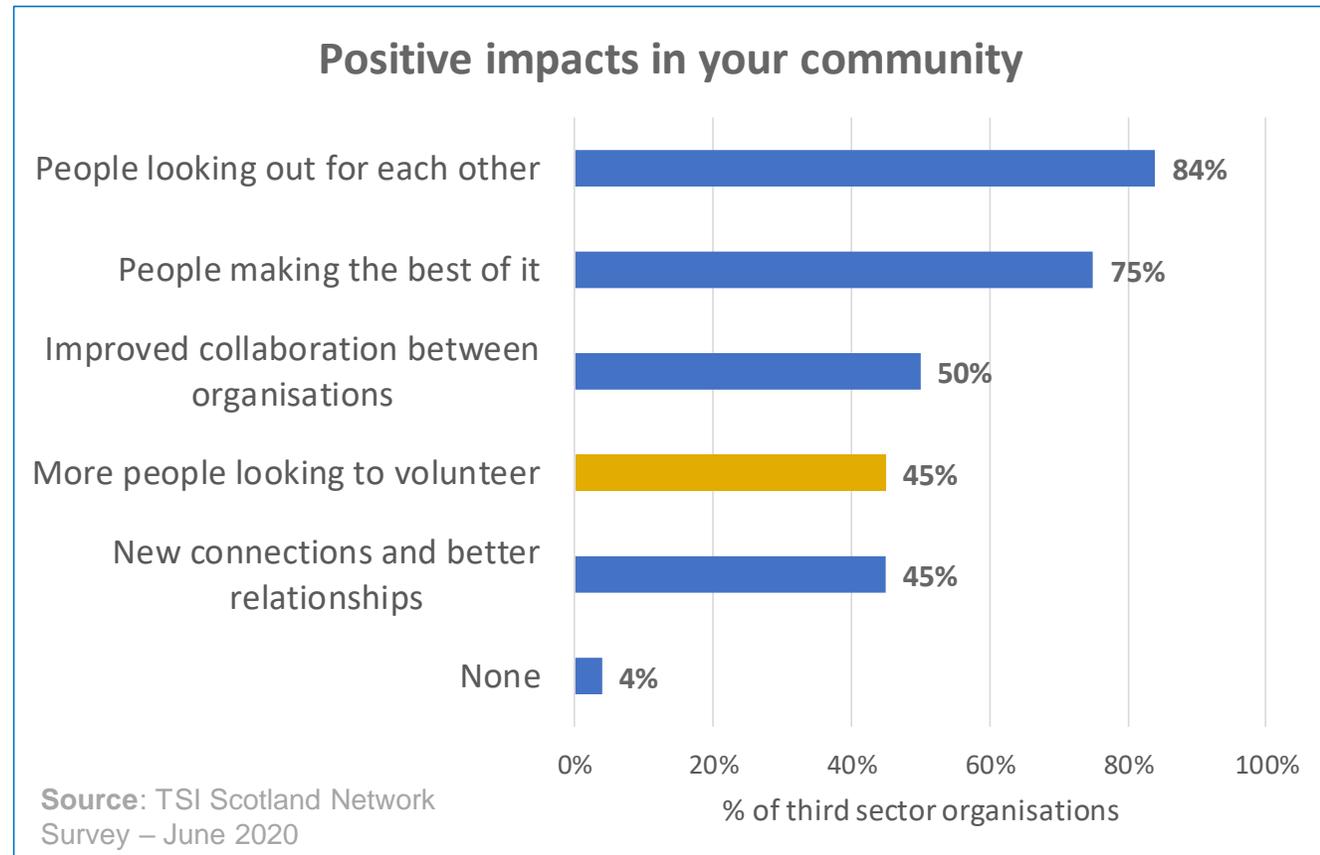
Impact of COVID-19 on volunteer management

- Advice on volunteer management was the least cited issue facing organisations at only 6%
- Compare this to the 47% looking for help with funding and 29% with advice on funding/fundraising
- Also, most organisations that do need support with volunteer management can find it. Only 2% are struggling to access it.



Positive impacts in communities

- 45% of organisations thought that ‘people looking to volunteer’ was having a positive impact on their community
- As important are the positive community level impacts:
 - People looking out for each other (84%) i.e. informal volunteering
 - New connections and better relationships (45%)

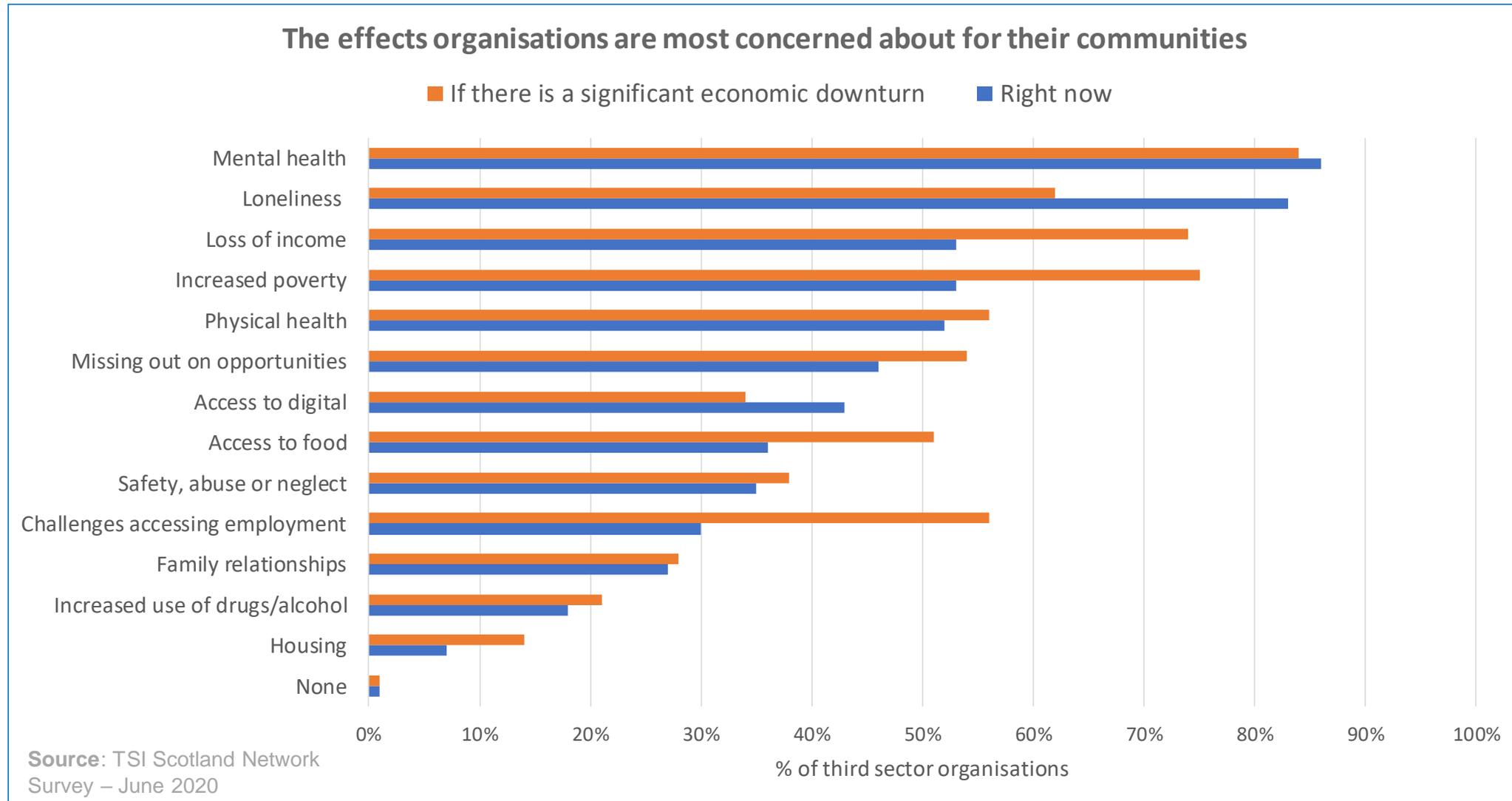


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On Society

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Health and wellbeing

- Mental health and loneliness are the two impacts organisations are most concerned about 'right now' (86% and 83% respectively)
- They also don't believe they will go away during an economic recession – they are here to stay
- There are other health and wellbeing concerns:
 - 52% are concerned about physical health now (56% during a recession)
 - 35% are concerned about 'safety, abuse or neglect' now (38% during a recession)
 - 27% are concerned about 'family relationships' now (28% during a recession)
 - 18% are concerned about 'increased use of drugs/alcohol' (21% during a recession)

Economic impacts

Organisations believe that a significant economic recession will exacerbate the following issues they are most concerned about for their communities (comparing 'now' to 'significant economic recession')

- Increased poverty – from 53% to 75% of orgs
- Loss of income – from 53% to 74% of orgs
- Missing out on opportunities – from 46% to 54% of orgs
- Access to food – from 36% to 51% of orgs
- Gaining employment – from 30% to 56% of orgs
- Housing – from 7% to 14%