

8. PŘÍLOHY



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Příloha 1.

Questions for interview:

1. Do you think that involvement of people in political issues is **beneficial** for the city?

Why and how **yes** (Why do you think that development of civil society (inhabitants of the city are good citizens) is important in Utrecht?) / **no**?

2. Do you think that there are many **opportunities** for citizens to participate in political issues in Utrecht?

Could you name concrete **tools** of participation (for example, a citizen is bothered by a problem in Utrecht, what can he or she do with that)?

3. What would you like to **keep** and **change** in relation to how people are / are not involved in public issues in Utrecht?

4. Which **areas / matters** do citizens interest **the most** according to you (What do they want to talk about the most)?

5. To which areas should a resident of Utrecht **interfere** the most according to you?

And which issues should be only the matter of political representatives?

6. Do you think that an ordinary citizen of Utrecht can **change** public affairs or **solve** a public problem by getting involved in political issues in Utrecht (discussions with politicians, petitions etc.)?

7. How do you deal with **outputs** of informative meetings with citizens (I mean their complaints, remarks, questions etc.) and of initiatives of citizens in Utrecht?

Příloha 2.

Date: 2012

Questionnaire for citizens of Utrecht

Deepening democratic principles at the local level

Civic participation in Utrecht

(Questionnaire)

Dear respondent,

this questionnaire is a part of a research done by Kristýna Blahetová, a university student from the Czech Republic. I would like to introduce you the topic of this research – I am interested in the civic participation, in different words in the activity of citizens in political issues in Utrecht. This questionnaire is used only for the study purposes and the results will be part of my thesis, which will be presented at the Charles University in Prague in 2013. Hereby I would like to ask you to fill in this questionnaire; it will not take more than 15 minutes of your time. I can assure you, that anonymity is guaranteed.

Please, fill in your characteristics:

- Age: under 20 years (incl.)
- 21 – 30 years
- 31 – 40 years
- 41 – 50 years
- 51 – 60 years
- 61 and more

Sex / Gender: Female Male

Level of attained education:

E-mail (voluntary, but it would be a great help, if you write it down; I would use your e-mail in case, that I would need to contact you for more details):

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Note: city = Utrecht

QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Do you think that you receive enough information about city matters in Utrecht? (If your answer is yes, then follow the question behind the square)

Yes How do you receive news about city issues? (Choose more answers, if applicable)

From city bulletins

From media

From family, friends, colleagues etc.

Alternative

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No

2. Do you search for information about Utrecht and local politics by yourself?

Yes No

3. Do you talk with anyone about political environment in Utrecht?

Yes No

4. Do you believe that a citizen has a power to change things in Utrecht?

Yes How do you think?

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No

5. Do you think that there are enough opportunities for citizens to be part of the decision-making process about public matters in Utrecht? (Choose one of the answers and then follow the question behind the square)

Yes Write down please, which opportunities citizens have to be part of the decision-making process:

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No Which opportunities would you recommend as proper tools for citizen participation in decision-making process in Utrecht?

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6. Do you consider yourself as a good citizen of Utrecht? (Choose one of the answers and then follow the question behind the square)

Yes Why do you think so?

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No Why do you think so?

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7. Do you personally get involved in decision making about public matters?

Yes No

8. Have you ever gotten in touch with any political representative to talk about problems, improvements etc. in Utrecht?

Yes No

9. Do you think that politicians in Utrecht care about citizen's opinions and ideas?

Yes No

10. What exactly do you do for being active and involved in the field of public matters and well-being of Utrecht?

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11. What was the first impulse you started to participate in public matters? (if applicable; you can choose more than one answer)

- You wanted to change something
- You wanted to solve a problem
- You thought, it is the right thing to do
- You weren't satisfied with work of politicians
- You were offered to take part in gatherings etc.
- Your acquaintances told you about this possibility
- You got known about the possibility from media
- Alternative
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12. Which public issues do you consider as the most important in Utrecht?

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13. Why do you think, that people are interested in public issues?

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Your comment to anything (voluntary):

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Thank you for your time and effort given for the filling in this questionnaire.