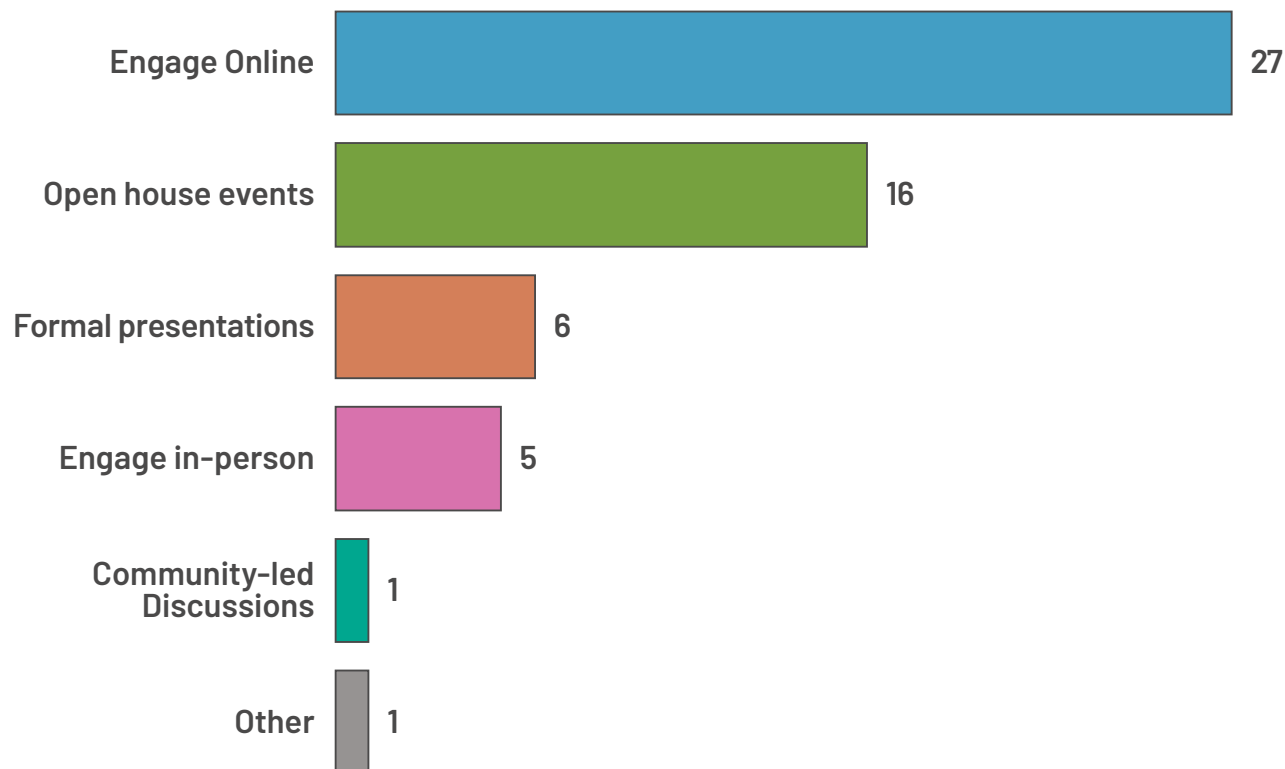


What We Heard Update Bruce County Engagement Events

April 2024

The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada visited Bruce County the week of April 22nd to meet community members interested in knowing more about impact assessments for major projects and speak to the importance of public participation.

Summary of how community members would like to participate in engagement opportunities



We visited the Port Elgin and Kincardine libraries and the Davidson Centre. During the events we asked, “how would you like to participate in engagement opportunities” and “what is important to you in your community?”

Key takeaways:

- Preferred engagement consists of **information online, in-person open-house sessions, and online sessions**
- Barriers to engagement include **transportation, family obligations/volunteer commitments, and language** (e.g. South Asian/Hindi community)

We had an enriching experience visiting the Saugeen and Kincardine District Senior Schools. Students told us:

- it was important that their voices are valued and heard
- they appreciate their community, including the beach, strong relationships with each other, employment opportunities, trails and parks
- they want the Agency to visit schools, and use surveys and social media to connect



Learn more about public participation in impact assessments:

[Public participation in impact assessments - Canada.ca](https://www24.intelcom.ca/eng/assessments/assessments/Pages/Public-participation-in-impact-assessments.aspx)



We heard the main priorities are **housing**, the **environment**, and **jobs**. The word cloud below represents ALL the priorities raised by community members.



Missed the chance to meet us?

We'll be back in the area for more engagement sessions soon. Scan the QR code and stay up-to-date on proposed projects in your area.

