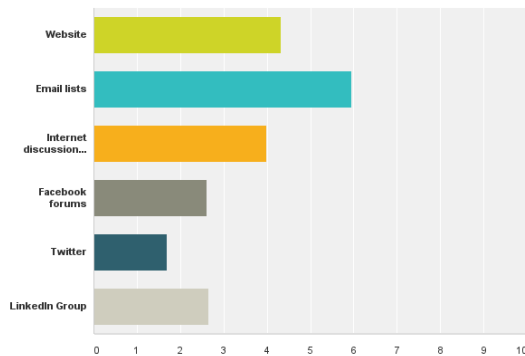


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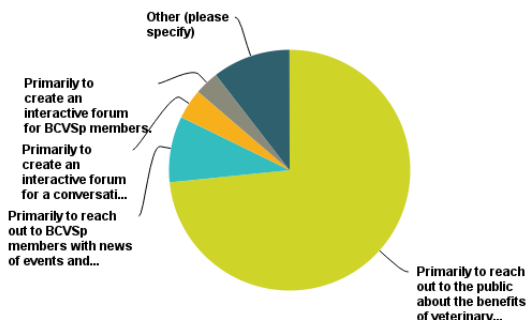
The Board of Trustees would like to thank everyone who shared their views on the future of the BCVSp. The responses will help shape the future development of your College.

We had 128 responses in total and a number of detailed and passionate views were shared.

Email lists were the preferred communication route although one person felt carrier pigeon was under-rated!



You viewed the function of the website was primarily to reach out to the public about the benefits of veterinary specialist care, but other functions (e.g. member services) were considered important future developments.



Ninety five percent of you agreed that BCVSp should aim to be a voice for matters of importance to veterinary specialists across disciplines

The top three issues of concern were:

- Protection of term 'specialist'
- Criteria for inclusion in the RCVS list of specialists
- Clinical audit

Developing Communication Clinical Audit Vets
Big Problem RCVS Understanding Public
Certificate Holders Veterinary Support
Term Specialist Residency CPD Research

Other issues of concern raised included Brexit, specialist training and standards of practice.

There were many comments on how you wanted the college to evolve but they can be summarised by the comment *'To become a coherent, visible representative body for veterinary Specialists'*

We had a number of volunteers to help develop the College and contribute to communications and initiatives. Thank you to those who put themselves forward; we will be in touch.

Clive Elwood, May 2017