

QUESTION OF THE WEEK, WEEK 12–13 (18–29.3.2026)

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 948

The margin of error is 3 % and thereby the answers are considered to reflect the opinions of the population in Jakobstad.

PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING 2026

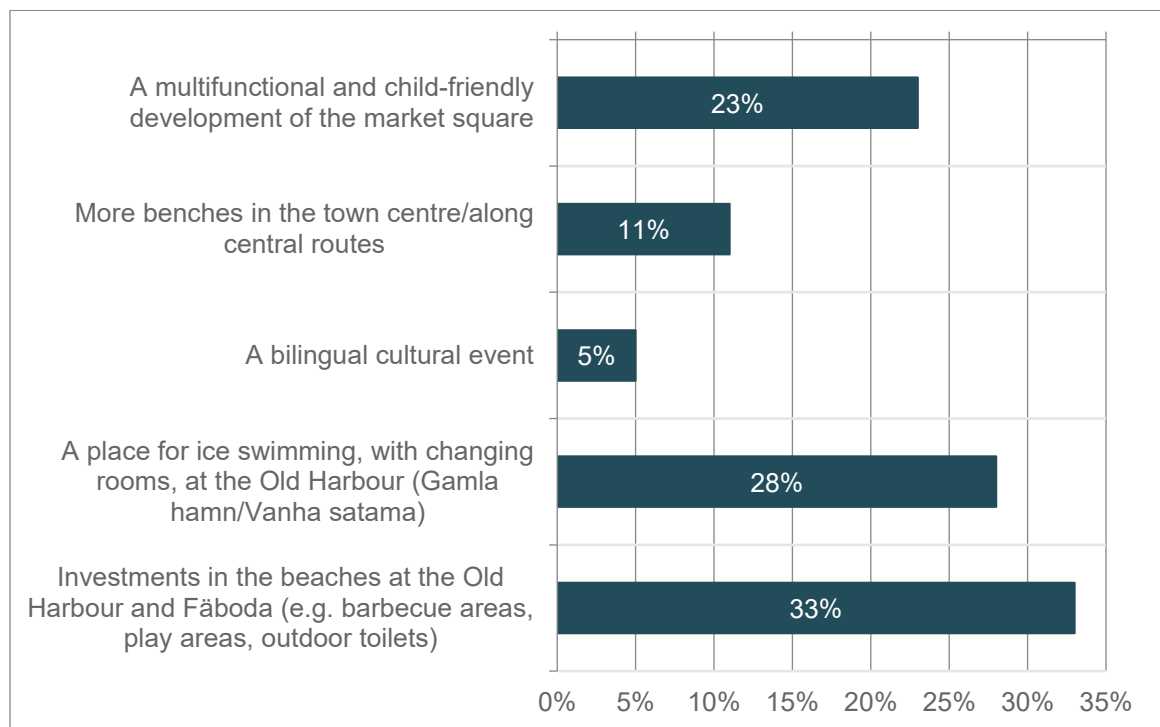
In the Question of the Week the residents were asked: *“Residents’ budget is a way for the town of Jakobstad to do participatory budgeting. Participatory budgeting is a way for the town of Jakobstad to involve the residents in discussions, planning, and decision-making about how to use allocated tax revenues. The purpose of participatory budgeting is to give the residents a possibility to participate in the development of the town and to encourage them to improve their living environment.*

The town executive has allocated 20 000 euro for participatory budgeting in 2026. The participatory budget is yearly, and the town executive is deciding the amount.

The object of participatory budgeting changes from year to year, but in 2026 the funding has no specific theme.

Based on the residents’ suggestions in the first Question of the Week about residents’ budget 2026 you can vote on the options below.

What are you voting for?”



NEXT STEP

We thank everyone who submitted suggestions and engaged in developing our town through participatory budgeting. More detailed planning will begin immediately for the winning option: investing in the beaches at Fäboda and the Old Harbour.

Part of the participatory budgeting funds will be used to further encourage exercise and active recreation on the beaches at Fäboda and the Old Harbour. This will include, among other things, investing in more volleyball courts through new nets and marking of boundary lines. Disc golf baskets will be placed with beach safety in mind, and goals for beach soccer will be purchased.

In addition, a barbecue/grill area is planned for the Old Harbour, likely in the northern part of the beach. The possibilities of building an outdoor toilet between the café hut and the birdwatching tower at Fäboda are also being investigated.

The equipment for physical activity on the beaches will be in place no later than June 2026. The grill area and the outdoor toilet may take a little longer to complete, but the goal is for these to be finished no later than August 2026.

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