

Andrew Windsor, the media, and the wrong question

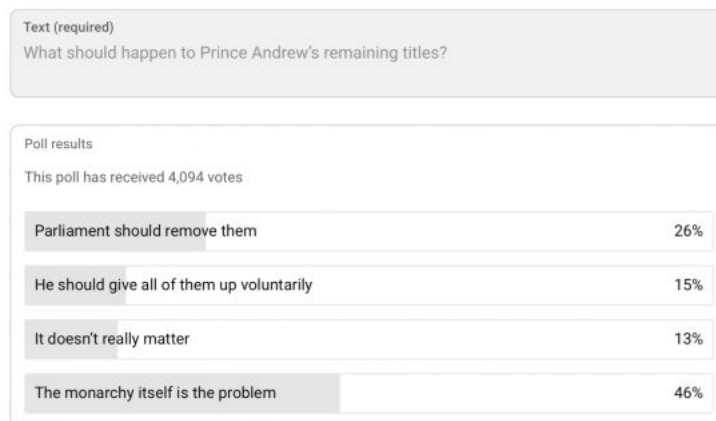
<https://www.taxresearch.org.uk/Blog/2025/10/22/andrew-windsor-the-media-and-the-wrong-question>

Published: January 12, 2026, 8:18 pm

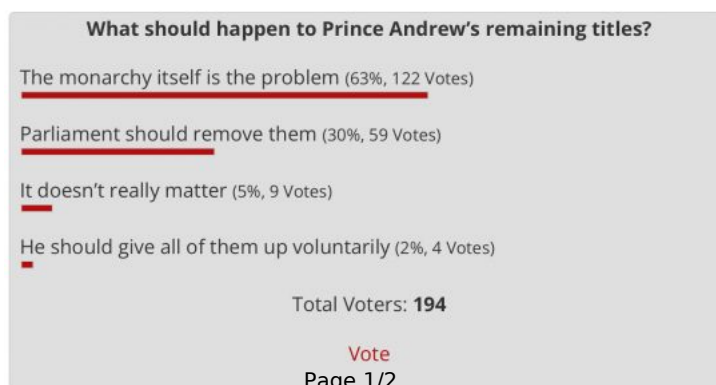
I posted [a video](#) about power, responsibility and the abuse of both in the context of the demand that Andrew Windsor be stripped of all his royal titles last night. The video was, in fact, the idea of my son, Tom, who felt it fitted perfectly into our themes, and he persuaded me. Traffic here and on YouTube suggested he was right.

This was also evidenced by the number of people voting. At 6.30 this morning, the polls on both sites looked like this. As usual, people here are a bit more radical overall than on YouTube, but also as usual, the broad sentiment is remarkably similar.

This is the YouTube poll:



And this was the poll



As usual, about twenty times more people voted on YouTube than here.

So why note this? It is because I watched the news (on three channels) last night, and they all suggested that polling shows that the public wants Andrew Windsor stripped of his titles, but what none of them asked was whether the monarchy itself was the problem. I did, and found significant support for the fact that it was.

I do, of course, accept that my poll is not statistically valid: the sample self-selects. But the fact that so many opted to say the problem is systemic is still, I think, significant.

Has the mood changed? Is the monarchy now on its way to being consigned to history? I would rather hope so. The Windsors, or any replacement, need no part in our history. The eugenic belief that they have any role to play in the governing of this country is now out of step with public sentiment. It is time for a republic. And questions confirming that are the ones the media, no doubt, did not want to ask.