



Portsmouth
CITY COUNCIL



**THANK
YOU**

**FOR YOUR FEEDBACK
AND OPINIONS**

**NEW HOMES, LANDSCAPING AND
PUBLIC SPACE FOR STROUDEN COURT
AND THE SURROUNDING AREA**

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the local people who told us what they would like us to think about when we put together plans for improvements in your local area.

We know that development work will affect local people so we wanted to ask as many of you as possible for your thoughts because we want to include your views, feedback and opinions in the design process when we start to put together plans.

We spoke with 141 local people who gave us 345 different answers to the question:

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE US TO THINK ABOUT WHEN WE PUT TOGETHER PLANS FOR NEW PUBLIC SPACE, LANDSCAPING AND HOUSING IN YOUR LOCAL AREA?

In this booklet you'll find out:

1. How we listened to local people.
2. What local people told us were the most important things to them.
3. The key themes we've taken from our conversations with the community which we're going to use to put together plans for local improvements.

If you have any questions about any of this, please contact Kat Bement by calling or emailing:

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HOW WE LISTENED

Community coffee morning

St Clare's Church, St Clare's Avenue,
Tuesday 22 February, 10am to 11.30am.

We spoke with the local residents and collected feedback.



Public open drop-in sessions

St Clare's Church, St Clare's Avenue,
Thursday 10 March, 5pm to 7.30pm,
Friday 11 March, 8am to 10am

67 local people attended.

Online survey

Launched on Monday 28 February with QR codes advertised on flyers, posters and comment boxes.

Phone calls

Dedicated hotline for all local residents and stakeholders.

Email

Email option offered on all artwork.



Pop-up engagement stall part one

Strouden Shopping Precinct

Tuesday 10 May, 12 noon to 3pm

Pop-up engagement stall part two

Warren Park Primary School pupil pick-up time

Tuesday 10 May, 3pm to 4pm



Door knocking

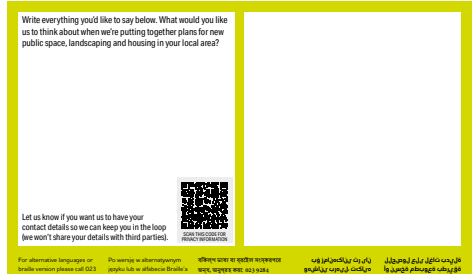
Tuesday 10 May, 12 noon to 3pm

The engagement team knocked the doors of the 120 closest site neighbours.

METHODS

Feedback Flyers

334 x A5 double-sided flyers hand delivered to closest neighbours.



Posters

150 x 3 posters laminated, hole-punched, and cable-tied to lamp posts in local areas.

QR codes

50 posted around local areas linking people to the online survey.



Comment boxes

Placed in the following locations with feedback slips and pens:

- Convenience store
- Care home
- Salon
- School
- Church



POP-UP ENGAGEMENT STALL



WHAT LOCAL PEOPLE SAID WAS MOST IMPORTANT TO THEM

The below categories are ranked by the number of comments local people made.

PARKING, TRAFFIC AND ROADS

70

**GREEN SPACE, LANDSCAPING
AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

68

PLAY, CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

59

CRIME AND ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

50

**SHOPS, LOCAL AMENITIES AND
COMMUNITY FACILITIES**

47

DESIGN QUALITY, LAYOUT AND TENURE

45

WIDER ISSUES

6

WHAT DID LOCAL PEOPLE SAY ABOUT...

Parking, traffic and roads	70 comments
Retain car park spaces	16
Improve parking	13
Concerns about impact to parking	8
More parking	7
Improve road surfaces	4
Better roads	3
Sufficient parking for new homes	2
Don't get rid of the garages	2
Adequate parking	1
Car park - using the space better	1
Traffic calming	1
Buses are already good	1
Road infrastructure for Cabbagefield	1
Traffic	1
More lollipop people	1
More drop kerbs	1
Worried about cars	1
Lines on the car park	1
Improve traffic flow	1
Too many cars on the road	1
No building on car park	1
Improve local roads	1
Charging points	1

WHAT DID LOCAL PEOPLE SAY ABOUT...

Green space, landscaping and the environment **68 comments**

Preserve green space	19
More green spaces	9
Better landscaping	6
Park drainage	6
More bins	3
Less litter	3
More dog bins	3
Improved maintenance of local area	2
Solar panels	1
Hard surface the park	1
People don't want PCC building on the greens and ruining old people's homes	1
Not just housing	1
Green sustainable housing	1
Don't just fill in empty spaces	1
Improve the fly tipping situation	1
Whole of Leigh Park needs tidying	1
Community orchard	1
Clean up the roads	1
More rubbish bins	1
Housing with green spaces	1
More foliage	1
Green space in a more suitable area	1
More trees	1
Redecorate facilities	1
More maintenance on local buildings	1

WHAT DID LOCAL PEOPLE SAY ABOUT...

Play, children and young people	59 comments
More for younger children	21
More play parks	6
Improve existing park	6
Improve existing skate park	5
More stuff to do for teenagers	4
More for youth	3
Don't touch the Giant Steps play park or green space	3
Child safety	1
Open a youth club	1
Put a football goal in the park	1
No damage to the park	1
Current park is good	1
More parks for younger children	1
More oppourtunites	1
More parks would be good	1
Bigger park	1
Space for older kids	1
More park equipment	1

WHAT DID LOCAL PEOPLE SAY ABOUT...

Crime and anti-social behaviour	50 comments
Tackle crime and ASB	26
Improve the scramblers/illegal motorbike situation	18
Improve CCTV coverage	2
More police	1
Better lighting for safety	1
Fix internal doors	1
There are lots of unlit hiding places	1

WHAT DID LOCAL PEOPLE SAY ABOUT...

Shops, local amenities and community facilities	47 comments
More shops	8
Add dog park	6
Retain existing shops	6
Doctors surgery	5
Pharmacy	5
New community centre	3
Add picnic areas	2
Need a bigger school	1
Put the pub back	1
More recreation facilities	1
More seating/park benches	1
New school	1
Retain the pre-school	1
Gym with cheap prices	1
Affordable nurseries	1
Bigger bottle bank	1
Bigger clothes bank	1
Add more benches	1
More outside activities	1

WHAT DID LOCAL PEOPLE SAY ABOUT...

Design quality, layout and tenure	45 comments
Improve layout of the area	6
More community spaces	6
Better disabled accessibility	5
More affordable housing	4
Build bigger houses 4/5 beds	2
More properties with gardens and balconies	2
Nothing that devalues property	2
Better drainage	2
No new housing close to existing homes	1
Knock a lot of the old blocks and homes down	1
Sort out the numbering	1
No more flats	1
More houses	1
No small houses	1
No tall buildings	1
Oxenwood green could be a better place	1
Make sure it is social housing	1
Nice looking houses	1
More houses for the homeless	1
More houses on the field past the car park	1
Open community space	1
St Clare's Court land opposite that used to be a subway - build there	1
More welcoming and open central space	1
More personal space	1

WHAT DID LOCAL PEOPLE SAY ABOUT...

Wider issues	6 comments
Don't make this the only consultation	2
Is this actually going to happen?	1
Planning is needed	1
Large organisations controlling area without many people talking to Havant council planning	1
Lower rents for businesses	1

STROUDEN COURT SHOPPING PRECINCT CAR PARK

We counted the number of cars that use Strouden Court shopping precinct car park.

We found that:

- On average the car park is 75% empty.
- The car park is more than half full for less than 45 minutes per day.
- For more than 14 hours of the day the car park is less than 10% full.

We also asked people who parked in the car park, at the peak parking times - school pick-up and school drop-off - how far they had driven and we timed how long they stayed.

We found that:

- More than half of people had driven less than 800 metres.
- More than half of people parked for less than ten minutes.

BASED ON WHAT LOCAL PEOPLE HAVE TOLD US WE WILL:

- Keep the local community informed at every stage of the design and build process.
- Keep in mind, at all times, that this work will affect local people and that we must do everything we can to keep any inconvenience to an absolute minimum.
- Build only high quality, energy efficient, affordable, council homes that are appropriate for the site.
- Preserve as much green space, and as many trees, as we possibly can.
- Consider wider area improvements.
- Keep in mind that play facilities are important to local people and look into anything we can do to improve the local play offer for younger children who are not currently catered for.
- Speak to the Police about ways to use our designs to improve anti-social behaviour issues in the local area including scramblers/illegal motorbikes.
- Remember how important the local shops and businesses are to the community and ensure we take this into account throughout the design and build process.
- Ensure that the scheme has as low an impact as possible on parking and traffic congestion in the local area.
- Share everything you have told us with our partner organisations - including Havant Borough Council, Hampshire County Council as well as health, youth and play services - in case there are improvements that can be made to the local area based on your feedback.
- Look at whether there is anything we can do to improve the drainage situation in the Giant Steps area and surrounding green space.
- Not build any homes in the Giant Steps area.
- Understand that having somewhere to walk dogs is really important and undertake to discuss this with Havant Borough Council to find out how they plan to meet this need and if we can help.
- Keep in mind that car parking is important to the local community, helps to ensure that the shopping precinct remains convenient, and is important at school pick-up and drop-off times. We would like to find a parking solution that doesn't necessarily include the existing car park.



WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

We will take what you have told us is most important to you and we will use that information as part of the design process to help us to put together plans for the future.

We will bring these plans to show you as soon as they are ready. At that stage we will ask you what you think of the plans, what you like about them and what you would like to see improved.

This will all be done before we apply for planning permission for the development.

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