

Greater Carlton Town Fund

Survey Results

Town Board Presentation – 11th September

Overview



727 responses



676 online and 51 paper

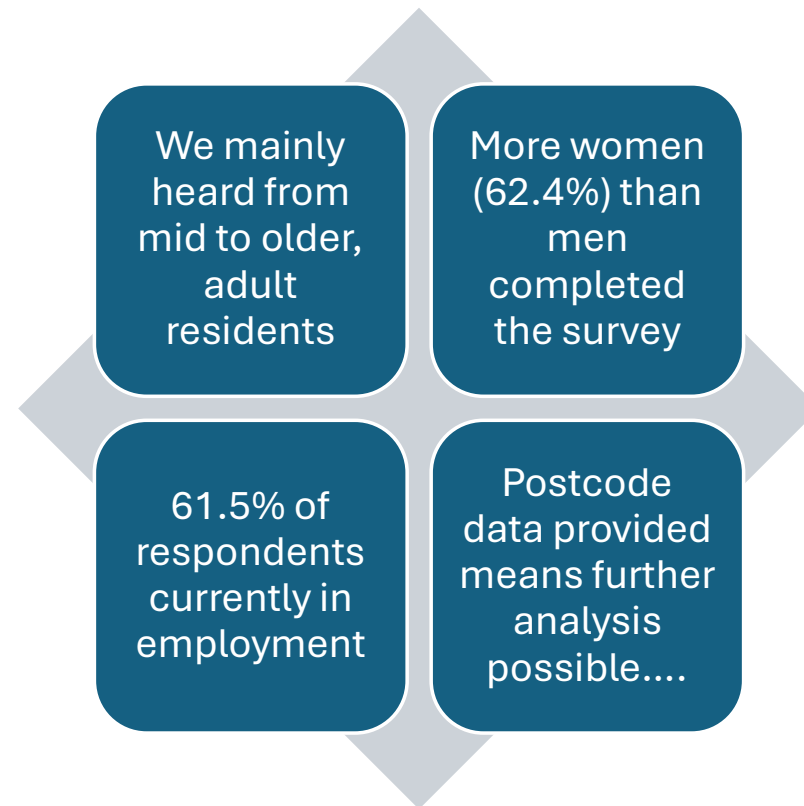


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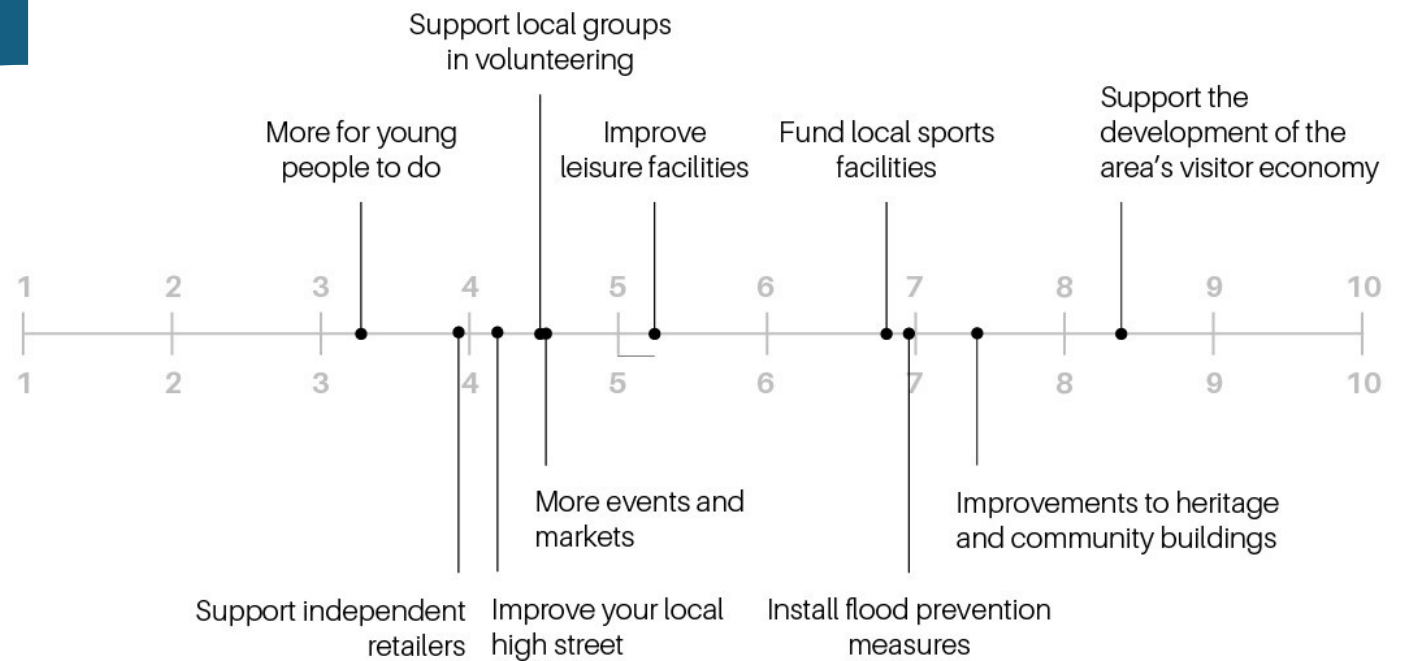
The Survey

- 8 questions
 - 4 asking respondents to rank a list of priorities
 - 4 with an open box for additional ideas/ comments

Who completed the survey?



1. What do you think would benefit high streets, heritage and regeneration in the area the most? *Rank the options*



2. Do you have any other specific ideas for the area's high streets, heritage or regeneration? *Open feedback*

- Improvement of public spaces and green areas
- Support for local businesses
- Better sports and leisure facilities inc for young people
- More community events and spaces
- Infrastructure maintenance and connections – potholes, improved transport links and more parking
- Safety and security to reduce ASB

3. What do you think would benefit parks and open spaces the most?

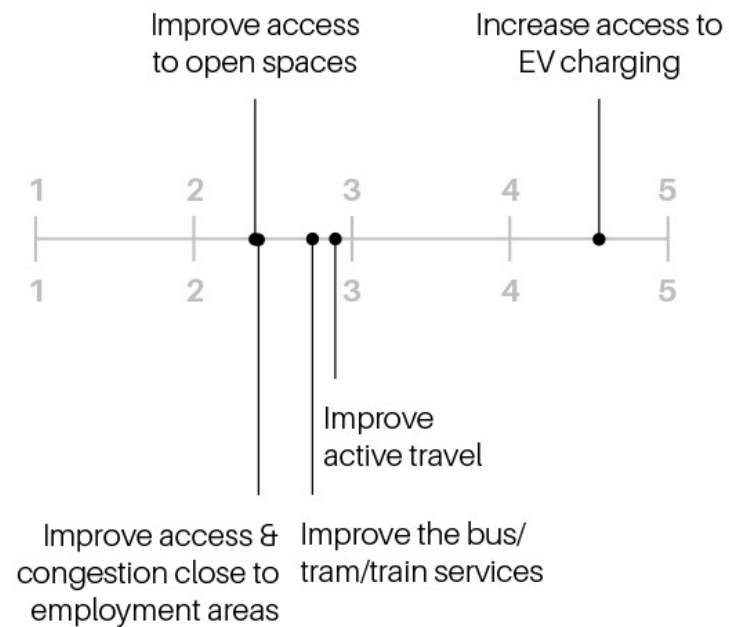
Rank the options



4. Do you have any other specific ideas for the area's open spaces? *Open feedback*

- Better cleanliness and maintenance in parks
- Concerns around safety and security
- New and improved facilities and amenities – toilets, seating, cafes, play equipment
- Community activities and events
- Youth and recreational spaces
- Improving accessibility to parks and facilities within parks

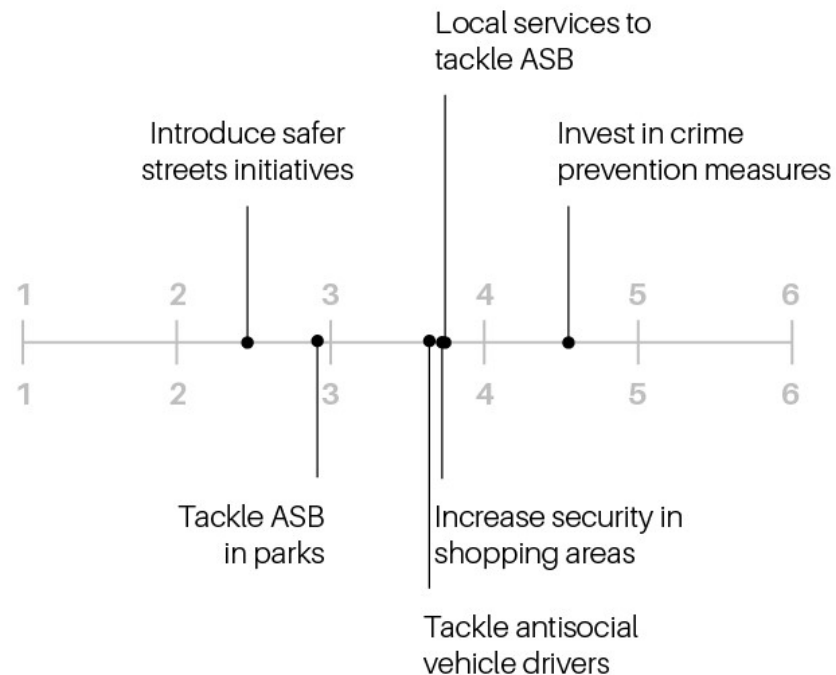
5. What do you think would benefit transport and connectivity in the area the most?
Rank the options



6. Do you have any other specific ideas for the area's transport and connectivity? *Open feedback*

- Road maintenance – potholes
- Public transport improvements, more frequent buses and trains
- Improve infrastructure for more sustainable travel - pedestrian and cycle pathways
- Accessibility and inclusivity, especially for the elderly
- Improved traffic management

7. What do you think would benefit the areas safety and security the most? *Rank the options*



8. Do you have any other specific ideas for safety or security? *Open feedback*

- Increase Police presence
- Increase CCTV
- Tackle antisocial behaviour – parks and shopping centres
- Traffic and road safety – traffic calming methods
- Youth support – programmes within community

Conclusion

Conclusion - High Streets, Heritage and Regeneration



Providing more for **young people** to do in the evenings, weekends and during school holidays, working with local providers.



Support **independent retailers** - improving the look/smartness of local high street/shopping areas, affordable rents and to increase the variety of shops, alongside improving general maintenance and accessibility.



Carlton Hill and Carlton Square were referenced most in terms of geographical areas in the open comments.



Potholes/ road surfacing was the most frequent comment in the open comments overall, across all themes.



Specific heritage ideas were made in the open comments, but they differed in nature.



Some respondents were also keen to talk about **improvements to public spaces and green areas** within this theme.

Conclusion – Open & Green Spaces

- **Improve parks** - Providing new multi-use games areas, improvements to play equipment and providing outdoor gyms, as well as improved maintenance, such as more frequent grass and tree cutting and better cleanliness in parks was also seen as key.
- **Improve recreation areas/ playing fields** - respondents talked about the importance of providing inclusive play areas for both girls and boys and different age groups.
- Several commented that **Gedling Park** had already been invested in and the focus should be on smaller, local parks.
- Several mentioned **Onchan Park**, noting it needed new equipment.
- Also the need for **defibrillators** in public areas.



Conclusion - Transport and Connectivity

- **Improve access to nature reserves, parks and open spaces** - *emphasis on accessibility and the need to introduce additional parking as well as safer routes for walking and cycling to encourage residents to visit green spaces.*
- **Improve access and ease congestion close to employment areas and retail parks** - *suggestions included improved traffic light synchronisation and safer walking and cycling routes around busy retail areas.*
- All statements under Transport and Connectivity were **closely ranked**, with the exception of increasing access to EV charging points



Conclusion - Safety and Security



Safer streets initiatives - improved street lighting, CCTV and hotspot policing, particularly on foot to enhance community interaction and deter crime.



Tackle antisocial behaviour in parks – more youth programmes, workshops and activities to divert young people from anti-social behaviour and promote positive engagement with the community, again reinforcing the importance of young people within the feedback.

Next Steps

1. A virtual workshop with large scale businesses, focussing on the 'employment corridor'
2. Outreach with high street businesses
3. Youth workshop/s, in conjunction with the Youth Mayor
3. Publish results for community view