

FUTURE OF ELM GROVE ESTATE

SUMMARY REPORT

Event title:	Workshop 3
Event date:	30 November 2020 (morning and afternoon session)
No. of attendees:	15 residents
Location:	Online

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Summary of the report:

This report summarises the feedback provided at the Workshop 3 consultation session. Two online workshops were held in the morning and evening with the residents.

The content of the presentation as discussed, includes the following topics:

- Explaining and discussing the Emerging Community Charter
- The wider town setting and understanding the role of the site
- Discussions on alternative options for the estate
 - Refurbishment option
 - Partial redevelopment option
 - Full redevelopment option
- Explain and discuss the next steps forward.

There are 5 feedback forms included for Workshop 3 at the end of this report.

How could we improve your neighbourhood ?



Feedback from Elm Grove residents during the consultation event

Emerging Community Charter

Comments

- “People with houses would like to get houses.”
- “Adequate amount of parking needs to be provided.”
- “There is an opportunity for electric cars be built-in to the estate.”
- “Noise transmission on the estate.”
- “Moving away from the car and promote bicycle storage.”
- “Due to Covid-19, can there be a communal space where people can study or work?”
- “Can we get a secure semi-private courtyard space for residences?”
- “There are concerns of people who come from outside through the estate.”
- “We don’t care who lives on the estate, as long as the residents behave.”
- “I have two grown-up boys. Will one of them be able to afford an affordable home on the estate?”
- “Can future homes have extra rooms to accommodate the adult children (18+).”
- “The reality is that affordable homes are not affordable.”
- “There is a concern of overcrowding of homes.”

Wider Town Centre Setting

Comments

- “The back of KFC causes problems along Elm Grove.”
- “The new music venue creates a lot of noise and vibration.”
- “The High Street is dead at the moment.”
- “We should invest into the rear of the High Street.”
- “We need to find a sustainable solution to the sharing of the estate and the rear end of the retail on High Street.”

Option 1: Refurbishment

Comments

- “Is the refurbishment applicable to home owners?”
- “Why are there are no new houses provided?”
- “Improving the bathroom and kitchens will not make residents lives any better. This was done and completed a few years ago.”
- “Soundproofing of the existing blocks will be ideal.”



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Option 2: Partial redevelopment

Comments

- “Why show design options that are unviable.”
- “Trees are not valued on the estate.”
- “Has redeveloping either the north or the southern aspects only been looked at?”

Option 3: Full redevelopment

Comments

- “The proposal is for the next generation, not for the current residents.”
- “There are concerns about offers and affordability.”
- “The emerging masterplan was pushed on residents.”
- “Questions the fascination on improving Throwley Way.”
- “Can there be shared roof spaces? Some new schools in London have their playgrounds on their roof.”
- “Sound proofing the homes will take away internal space in each room.”
- “Each home should have access to one dedicated parking space.”
- “Parking could be under the building. It is not realistic to think people will not need a car just because people are living close to the town centre.”
- “I have a car that I would like to keep.”
- “We question the informal patterns of parking and these car users do not pay for it.”
- “Will existing residents get a parking space?”

