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## **AGENDA**

Committee CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date and Time of Meeting

TUESDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2021, 4.30 PM

Venue REMOTE VIA MS TEAMS

Membership Councillor Lee Bridgeman (Chair)

Councillors Cunnah, Hopkins, Joyce, Melbourne, Molik, Phillips,

Mia Rees and Singh

Patricia Arlotte (Roman Catholic representative), Carol Cobert (Church

in Wales Representative) and Karen Dell'Armi (Parent Governor

Representative)

Time approx.

## 1 Apologies for Absence

4.30 pm

To receive apologies for absence.

#### 2 Declarations of Interest

To be made at the start of the agenda item in question, in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct.

**3 Minutes** (*Pages 3 - 16*)

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meetings on 15 June 2021 and 13 July 2021.

4 Children & Young People Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 4.35 pm 2021-22 (Pages 17 - 32)

5 Education Pandemic Recovery Update (Pages 33 - 44) 4.45 pm

To provide Members with an update on Education Pandemic Recovery

6 Cardiff Replacement Local Development Plan (Pages 45 - 368) 5.30 pm

To enable Members to undertake pre-decision scrutiny of the Cardiff Replacement Local Development Plan

## 7 School Organisation Planning: 21st Century Schools (Band B) 6.00 pm Willows High School

(Papers to follow)

To enable Members to undertake pre-decision scrutiny of developments in relation to Willows High School

Break (6.45 - 6.55)

## School Organisation Planning: Cardiff Welsh in Education Strategic Plan (WESP) 2022 - 2032

6.55 pm

(Papers to follow)

Members will receive a briefing on this issue.

## 9 School Organisation Planning: Ty Glas Site Acquisition

7.25 pm

Appendices 3 - 8 of the report are exempt from publication as they contain exempt information of the description contained in paragraph 14 of Part 4 and paragraph 21 of Part 5 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. The public may be excluded from the meeting by resolution of the Committee pursuant to Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 during discussion of this item.

(Papers to follow)

To enable Members to undertake pre-decision scrutiny of the School Organisation Plan proposals for site acquisition at Ty Glas

10 Way Forward

8.10 pm

- 11 Urgent Items (if any)
- 12 Date of next meeting Tuesday 7 October 2021

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#### CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

#### 15 JUNE 2021

Present: Councillor Bridgeman(Chairperson)

Councillors Cunnah, Hopkins, Joyce, Melbourne, Molik, Phillips,

Mia Rees and Singh

#### 1 : APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON AND COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

#### **RESOLVED:**

• To note that Council at its Annual Meeting on 27 May 2021 appointed Councillor Lee Bridgeman as the Chairperson and the following Members to the Committee for the municipal year 2021/2022:

Elected Members: Councillors Cunnah, Hopkins, Joyce, Melbourne, Molik, Phillips, Mia Rees and Singh

Co-Opted Members: Patricia Arlotte (Roman Catholic Representative), Carol Cobert (Church in Wales Representative), Karen Dell'Armi (Parent Governor Representative) and Matthew Richards (Parent Governor Representative)

#### 2 : TERMS OF REFERENCE

#### **RESOLVED:**

To note that the Council at its Annual Meeting on 27 May agreed the Committee's Terms of Reference for the municipal year 2021/2022

#### 3 : APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received. Councillor Mia Rees had indicated that she would be late in attending the meeting.

#### 4 : DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made in accordance with the Members Code of Conduct.

## 5 : MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 15 March 2021 were approved as a correct record of that meeting as proposed by Karen Dell'Armi and seconded by Councillor Mike Phillips.

## 6 : 21ST CENTURY SCHOOLS BAND B: THE EXPANSION AND REDEVELOPMENT OF CATHAYS HIGH SCHOOL

The Chair welcomed Councillor Sarah Merry (Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Education, Employment & Skills), Melanie Godfrey (Director of Education &

Lifelong Learning), Michele Duddrige-Friedl (Operational Manager, Planning & Provision), Richard Portas (Programme Director of School Organisation Planning) and Brett Andrewartha (Team Manager, School Organisation Planning) to the meeting.

Councillor Merry was invited to make a statement during which she referred to the feedback received in relation to the expansion of Cathays High School.

Members were provided with an outline of the proposals regarding the expansion and redevelopment of the site.

- Members enquired whether any alternatives to 8 forms of entry (FOE) had been considered, particularly expanding capacity at schools in other areas that were already in the Band B programme. There is indication that population growth in Cardiff may not be as rapid as previously expected and demand for secondary school places will be 500 less by 2030. Members were advised that the proposal to increase to 8 FOE had been carefully considered. Cathays High School provides flexibility as it is centrally located with good transport links to different areas. Data indicates there will be enough pupil numbers to sustain the school. It is recognised there will need to be an adjustment of catchment areas to closer match pupil numbers to school capacity in due course.
- Members questioned how the future demand for Welsh Medium secondary education might affect the proposed expansion and whether the modelling of such demand could be further developed. Members were advised that the Welsh Education Strategic Plan (WESP) was being brought forward and had been considered in relation to the proposal. It is possible to predict with some accuracy the demand for Welsh medium education will be up to 2029-30 and into the next decade.
- Members queried why the expansion of Cathays High School was prioritised over that of Cardiff High School, which turns away hundreds of pupil applicants ever year and what provision has been made for the safety of children in relation to open access to community facilities? Members were advised that the Council's aim was for all schools to be excellent. When bringing forward proposals for schools safety is at the forefront. School spaces are often close to community facilities, but security is designed in. There will be more green space available under the proposed expansion and open access will be assured. The Cardiff High School site is very constrained.
- Members were concerned that the consultation had failed to engage BAME parents. Members were advised that it is difficult to engage parents in a consultation of this sort because the timescale of expansion makes it appear irrelevant to them. Every effort had been made to engage members of the school community.

- Members were concerned that the shared open space and the facilities at the Maindy Centre would be available to the local community, and that consultation should take place over any impacts on the local community. Members were advised that details of the design are not yet available and modifications are possible, but the key principles and amount of space involved are committed in the plan. At every stage of development the community will be consulted.
- Members sought reassurance that cycle facilities at Maindy would remain available until the Velodrome was delivered. Members were advised that there would be a temporary expansion at Maindy and that there would be no loss of cycle provision in Cardiff as a result of the school coming forward.
- Members sought clarification on the future of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools project and the mixed funding of the Cathays High School expansion. Members were advised that whilst MIM funding was available for the school expansion, ancillary aspects of the project will have to be financed from the capital budget. The Council will look to accelerate future projects. There is pressure on the prices of construction materials as a result of the Covid pandemic.
- Members enquired whether the Maindy site would be large enough to accommodate all the planned facilities. Members were advised that a proportion of the existing site would need to remain as facilities for the new school. The buildings would be located on the Maindy Centre site and much of the sports provision would be on the Cathays High School site. Early stage due diligence has been carried out but many design details are not yet available.
- Members enquired when a traffic and transport analysis would be carried out in respect of New Zealand Road and Crown Way. Members were advised that early transport assessments will be carried out and a transport analysis would be part of the planning application.
- Members sought further details on any analysis that had been done on the cost of the MIM funding and the real envelope of cost budget that the Council was working to, in the context of cost pressures on construction materials and schemes. Members were advised that the Cabinet has signed up to the Strategic Partnership Agreement with MIM. A financial analysis was carried out using the calculator provided by the Welsh Government. Further cost information will become known as the details of the design are worked out ahead of the project approval process. Benchmark rates will be considered at a later stage. Once the school is handed over the Council will pay an annual unitary charge which includes maintenance for 25 years.
- Members were concerned that there would be a loss of cycling facilities for local people who would have to travel across the city to the Velodrome.
   Members were advised that while there would be extra travel for people in the Cathays area, travel would be reduced for people from other areas currently having to travel to Cathays.

#### RESOLVED:

- That the Chairperson writes to the Cabinet Member on behalf of the Committee expressing their comments and observations during the Way Forward.
- 7 : SCHOOLS ORGANISATION PLANNING: PRIMARY SCHOOL PLACES TO SERVE CATHAYS AND PARTS OF GABALFA, HEATH, LLANDAFF NORTH AND PLASNEWYDD

The Chair welcomed Councillor Sarah Merry (Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Education, Employment & Skills), Melanie Godfrey (Director of Education & Lifelong Learning), Michele Duddrige-Friedl (Operational Manager, Planning & Provision), Richard Portas (Programme Director of School Organisation Planning) and Brett Andrewartha (Team Manager, School Organisation Planning) to the meeting.

Councillor Merry was invited to make a statement in which she referred to the proposals for expansion in respect of Allensbank Primary School. The expansion of Ysgol Mynydd Bychan into Allensbank Primary School has now been halted but the reduction of the Pupil Admission Number (PAN) at Allensbank Primary School will proceed.

The proposals were outlined and Members were asked to comment or raise questions on the information received. Those discussions are summarised as follows:

- Members enquired how well-conceived the consultation had been, bearing in mind the comments that had been received from Estyn. Members were advised that Estyn was liaising with S4C to withdraw its comments which it had confirmed had been reported in error. The interim proposal balances a number of pressures. Consultation with the local community, schools and stakeholders will help shape the long-term proposals. The WESP presents an opportunity to consider the proposal in a wider context. A longer-term plan will be brought forward in due course.
- Members enquired when the draft WESP would be available for scrutiny.
   Members were advised that engagement and build-up work with Welsh Education Forum partners had been ongoing over the last 12 months. The target date for consultation is September/October of this year.
- Members enquired by how much would the PAN be reduced at Allensbank Primary School and whether there would be space for additional provision. Members were advised that there would not be a significant impact on the school which is currently operating below 1 FOE. It will allow the school to consolidate and build the 1 FOE into its strategic planning. The school is making use of all its rooms.

#### RESOLVED:

 That the Chairperson writes to the Cabinet Member on behalf of the Committee expressing their comments and observations during the Way Forward.

## 8 : SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2020/2021

Members were provided with the first combined Scrutiny Annual Report for 2020/21 which is to be considered by full Council on Thursday 24 June 2021.

#### RESOLVED:

• To approve the draft Scrutiny Annual Report 2020/21 to be laid before Council.

#### 9 : WORK PROGRAMME 2021/2022

Members were provided with the proposed schedule of meetings for 2021/22 and discussed the approach to developing the Committee's work programme for 2021/22 to be brought back to Committee in September for formal approval.

#### **RESOLVED:**

To note the proposed schedule of meetings for 2021-22

## 10 : URGENT ITEMS (IF ANY)

No urgent items were tabled at this meeting.

#### 11 : WAY FORWARD

Members discussed the information received and identified a number of issues which the Chairman agreed would be included in the letters that would be sent, on behalf of the Committee, to the relevant Cabinet Members and Officers.

#### 12 : DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting of the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee is on Tuesday 13 July 2021 at 4.30 pm via MS Teams

The meeting terminated at 6.54 pm



#### CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

13 JULY 2021

Present: Councillor Bridgeman(Chairperson)

Councillors Cunnah, Hopkins, Joyce, Melbourne, Molik, Phillips,

and Singh

Mia John, Karen Dell'Armi, Matthew Richards and Patricia

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50 : APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mia Rees and Carol Cobert.

51 : DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made in accordance with the Members Code of Conduct.

52 : MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings held on the 11 May 2021 were approved as a correct record of that meeting as proposed by Karen Dell'Armi and seconded by Councillor Bablin Mollik.

53 : SCHOOL ORGANISATION PLANNING: EXPANSION OF PENTYRCH PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Chair welcomed Councillor Sarah Merry (Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Education, Employment & Skills), Melanie Godfrey (Director of Education & Lifelong Learning), Michele Duddrige-Friedl (Operational Manager, Planning & Provision), and Richard Portas (Programme Director of School Organisation Planning) to the meeting.

Councillor Merry was invited to make a statement during which she referred to the draft report for Cabinet and its recommendation to go to consultation on the expansion of Pentyrch Primary School.

Members were advised that Section 106 funding had been allocated to the proposal and that the village school would benefit from the proposed expansion and nursery provision.

Members were asked to comment or raise questions on the information received. Those discussions are summarised as follows:

 Members sought clarification as to whether the projected surplus of places in English medium provision would be taken up by the new housing developments in the wider area. Members were advised that there was confidence that the places would be required in the short term. It was difficult to predict longer term trends with certainty, although a decrease in the birth rate was expected. Nevertheless the development was a prudent one which would stabilise provision in the locality.

- Members sought clarification on the accuracy of the projected figures for English and Welsh medium demand, and the difference between the catchment areas for English and Welsh medium schools. Members were advised that the numbers were not yet confirmed and would continue to be considered projected until the figures from PLASK had been verified. The catchment areas were wider for Welsh medium schools and there continued to be lower take-up for Welsh medium education. Projected figures were based on historic take-up. It was likely that catchment areas would be reviewed in the future.
- Members enquired as to the plans for Welsh medium education in relation to the Plasdwr proposals. Members were advised that engagement had commenced in relation to the Welsh Education Strategic Plan and different models of provision. The aim was to expand Welsh medium provision but that had to be balanced against declining birth rates. The Plasdwr proposal is a hybrid model with one form of entry English medium and the other 50% Welsh. The new model is intended to increase English speakers' confidence in using Welsh. The Welsh medium classes at Creigiau and Gwaelod are not full.
- Members sought clarification on whether the proposed development encompassed plans to improve the condition of the school. Members were advised that issues relating to the condition of the school would be addressed and resolved in due course and the money available be used to greatest effect.
- Members sought clarification on the arrangements being sought to federate the school. Members were advised that similar arrangements are already in place. Support is being given by Llanishen Fach Primary School. No decision has yet been taken about which school would be most appropriate to federate with. The Council has supported Pentyrch over a number of years as intake and standards have fluctuated. A sustainable model for the long term is required. The governing body is bringing forward the proposal proactively. It needs to consider it beneficial. There are several federations that are already operating very successfully. It is difficult to attract and retain high quality headteachers for smaller schools. Staff in both schools have benefited from working together.

#### RESOLVED:

That the Chairperson writes to the Cabinet Member on behalf of the Committee expressing their comments and observations during the Way Forward.

54 : SCHOOL ORGANISATION PLANNING: SPECIAL RESOURCE BASE PROVISION

The Chair welcomed Councillor Sarah Merry (Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Education, Employment & Skills), Melanie Godfrey (Director of Education & Lifelong Learning), Michele Duddrige-Friedl (Operational Manager, Planning &

Provision), and Richard Portas (Programme Director of School Organisation Planning) to the meeting.

The Chair and Councillor Joyce declared a personal interest as councillors for Llanrumney.

Councillor Merry was invited to make a statement during which she referred to the draft report for Cabinet and its recommendation to go to consultation on the proposals to transfer, expand and redevelop The Court Special School and the proposed establishment of specialist learning resource provision at Moorland Primary School.

Members were advised that the proposal regarding The Court Special School is one of a series of measures planned, and that £1.3m funding has been allocated to supply Flying Start provision.

Members were asked to comment or raise questions on the information received. Those discussions are summarised as follows:

- Members were concerned about whether the proposals were sufficient to meet anticipated growth in need for specialist learning resource provision. Members were advised that it was important to understand the position in relation to need including to complex learning, emotional health and wellbeing and that the current proposal was only a starting point.
- Members sought clarification on the total expected capital and revenue costs of The Court proposal and the extent to which capital receipts from the sale of The Court site were factored into the calculation, and the financial relationship between the acquisition of the Ty Glas site and The Court proposal. Members were advised that the proposal is funded within the capital envelope of the Band B programme. The scope of the programme has changed over time but the affordability is the same. There is no relationship between The Court proposal and the Ty Glas acquisition. The receipts from the sale of The Court site feed into the overall capital position of Band B.
- Members sought clarification as to how The Court would be managed across two sites, and whether the full primary age range would be accommodated on each site or whether the different sites would accommodate different age groups. Members were advised that conversations had begun with the school and that staffing and governance changes associated with the split site arrangement were required. Few children from the Foundation Stage are enrolled at The Court and while the full primary age range would be present on both sites it would mostly be children from the older years. The two sites are carefully located near to primary schools so there should be good inclusion and benefits across Fairwater and Penybryn.

#### **RESOLVED:**

That the Chairperson writes to the Cabinet Member on behalf of the Committee expressing their comments and observations during the Way Forward.

#### 55 : CHILDREN'S SERVICES QUARTER 4 PERFORMANCE 2020/2021

The Chair welcomed Councillor Graham Hinchey (Cabinet Member for Children & Families), Sarah McGill (Corporate Director & Director of Social Services), and Deborah Driffield (Director of Children's Services) to the meeting.

Councillor Hinchey was invited to make a statement during which he outlined the data presented within the Children's Services Quarter 4 Performance 2020/2021 update.

- Members sought clarification on how services maintain contact with care leavers particularly post-16, in relation to the high percentage of CLA and care leavers recorded as NEET (54% in January 2020, 34% in January 2021). Members were advised that the reduction was promising but still not where the Council wanted to be. The Council has a statutory duty to maintain contact with young people in full-time education until the age of 25. There is a Personal Advisor Service additional to the Social Workers and young people have Pathway Plans which identify their aspirations and who will work with them. The Council has been working on identifying the available partners for local training and employment opportunities. The aim is for all young people to have opportunities for employment and training.
- Members enquired as to the availability of data on the proportion of young people who have benefited from the Cardiff Commitment. Members were advised that officers did not have the data to hand but would report back. The data is available but the people who have benefited would potentially be those who have had a significant intervention from the Personal Advisor Service and Into Work. The data needs to be examined.
- Members sought clarification on which categories within the Child Protection statistics had seen the largest change. Members were advised that there has been a significant increase in neglect cases, linked to increasing deprivation and child poverty whether generational or experienced for the first time. Domestic abuse cases have increased significantly either because there has been an increase or because people are reporting more. There is increased surveillance and awareness of the signs of physical abuse. Officers are concerned that sexual abuse is not being detected. The Council is part of pilot project to retrain social workers to listen to children and ask the right questions.
- Members sought clarification on what sits within the Exploitation category.
   Members were advised that there has been a significant rise in criminal
   exploitation, which until recently was on a similar trajectory to child sexual
   exploitation. Work is underway to move young people from Child Protection
   and identifying issues such as contextual safeguarding. There are issues
   around forced marriage and child trafficking which are emerging themes.

- Members enquired as to whether there was the capacity to deal with the rise in Child Protection cases. Members were advised that there was insufficient capacity to manage Child Protection investigations. Managers have reported that their teams are unable to cope with the number of cases. Workers have been brought in from other teams to assist with investigations, with impacts on those other teams. Too much time is being spent on investigations and too little on support. Political support is required to change processes and structures.
- Members enquired as to how the partnership with Education was working. Members were advised that there are monthly meetings with Education colleagues, a joint recovery plan, and there has been a move into locality working. There has been a revival of working in joint assessment teams (or teams around the family). Officers are working closely with Education colleagues on supporting the mental health of young people.
- Members requested information on the steps that were being taken to engage with communities, carry out preventative work and address mistrust. Members were informed that the increase in numbers supported by Family Help indicated the more diverse ways the Council used to communicate with people, partly due to the pandemic were presenting opportunities to the service. There are opportunities to learn about virtual ways of engagement and reach higher numbers at the preventative end. It is important to engage other professionals across the system to free up social workers to perform their essential tasks and ensure the right intervention at the right time. Children's Services is only able to respond to statutory requirements. It is hoped it would be possible to build links with communities in the future when there is a return to localities.
- Members enquired as to the risk to the wellbeing and retention of Social Workers and to the quality and timeliness of investigations and decision making affecting young people due to staff being under pressure. Members were advised that the work of Children's Services is under continuous review. Managers meet daily to review cases. Remuneration of agency staff has been increased to attract more experienced social workers. There is a national shortage of social workers able and willing to undertake investigations because of low remuneration. The effect of the market supplement has worn off as other local authorities have introduced it. Longer term solutions such as revised career pathways and pay structures and a Training and Workforce Academy are being investigated.
- Members enquired as to whether the increase in the budget for Social Services was sufficient to cover the greater demands upon Services than anticipated at the start of the financial year, and whether there was the political will to address any shortfall. Members were advised that there was a better-informed collaboration with Finance colleagues in attempting to understand the uncertainties within the current financial year. The key uncertainty is around the funding support from Welsh Government. The pressures on Children's Services will be significant and long term. Detailed monitoring allows quick action to mitigate pressures or call upon the Contingency Fund.

Going forward there may be a need for greater reserves in Children's Services.

- Members enquired as to the how well Children's Services would be able to prevent breakdown when children are reunited with their families due to better practice. Members were advised that intensive support over the long term was necessary for some families, but that currently there is a lack of resources for such long-term support. A proposed Interventions Hub is being developed bringing together different services to support families for a period. For some families it will be necessary to buy in services because they lack their own support network for the longer term.
- Members discussed how vulnerable groups had been particularly badly affected during the pandemic.

#### RESOLVED:

That the Chairperson writes to the Cabinet Member on behalf of the Committee expressing their comments and observations during the Way Forward.

56 : LOCAL AUTHORITY SOCIAL SERVICES ANNUAL REPORT 2020/2021

The Chair welcomed Councillor Graham Hinchey (Cabinet Member for Children & Families), Sarah McGill (Corporate Director & Director of Social Services), and Deborah Driffield (Director of Children's Services) to the meeting.

Councillor Hinchey was invited to make a statement during which he outlined the information presented within the Local Authority Social Services Annual Report 2020/2021.

- Members debated the decline in wider support services over recent years.
   Members were advised that recent experience had shown what could be achieved when there was unanimity across organisations about what needed to be done.
- Members considered there was a need for a greater focus on prevention.
   Members were advised that early-stage intervention results in a reduced need for high-cost intervention to deal with crises at a later stage.
- Members were advised that Cardiff Council has provided more early-stage intervention than other local authorities and that other authorities are approaching Cardiff Council for advice.
- Members sought clarification on how the Council planned to ensure young people remained at the centre of delivering the goals and objectives of the strategy and ensuring effective monitoring. Members were advised that the Mind of My Own app would allow Children's Services to get the views of children directly. Feedback indicates young people are more comfortable

using the app than in face-to-face encounters. The Participation Framework would be at the forefront of making sure children's voices are heard. Young people are involved in commissioning and youth justice workshops. Resources have been put into Life Story Workers, who work with young people to help them understand their life journey.

#### RESOLVED:

That the Chairperson writes to the Cabinet Member on behalf of the Committee expressing their comments and observations during the Way Forward.

#### 57 : YOUTH JUSTICE SERVICE UPDATE

The Chair welcomed Councillor Graham Hinchey (Cabinet Member for Children & Families), Sarah McGill (Corporate Director & Director of Social Services), Deborah Driffield (Director of Children's Services), Graham Robb (Independent Chair, Youth Justice Board), Angharad Thomas (Operational Manager, Youth Justice Service), and Hannah Williams (Probation Service, Chair of the Youth Justice Partnership Subcommittee) to the meeting.

Councillor Hinchey was invited to make a statement during which he outlined the information presented within the Youth Justice Service Update.

- Members sought clarification on the priorities for action if the anticipated risk of more children coming to the attention of the Youth Justice Service postpandemic is borne out, whether there is good collaboration with the Education Department's Youth Service and whether the Youth Service has the capacity to deal with a possible increase in demand. Members were advised that an increase in the amount of people coming to the attention of the Youth Justice Service is envisaged. Partnership working with other services is key to managing the increase in demand.
- Members sought clarification on how partnership working had impacted on the trajectory of individual cases. Members were provided with an outline of a case where partnership working had resulted in a successful outcome.
- Members enquired as to the extent to which substance misuse was a factor in the young people coming to the Service's attention, and how far the Service was able to work with partners in educating young people and contributing to prevention. Members were advised that there had been a decrease in the number of young people being referred to Substance Misuse Workers. There appears to be fewer young people using substances although there had been an increase in the numbers possessing and dealing them. There has also been a shift in the type of substances being used. There is work underway with schools to contribute to the health and wellbeing of the wider community.
- Members were concerned about the number of young people who are criminally exploited who are not engaged with education. There is concern that

young people who are not engaged with schools do not appear on the Vulnerable Assessment Panel list and are not open to interventions. Members were advised that additional funding has been secured from the Pupil Development Grant to look at gaps in service provision. It has been suggested that extra work be done around young people who are not accessing the full timetable. It is recognised that young people who are not accessing the full timetable are more vulnerable to criminal exploitation. The work will allow an evidence base to be built.

- Members were concerned about young people who are unknown to Education and other services.
- Members enquired as to whether the reduction in reoffending indicated a longterm trend. Members were advised that this year has seen a very large reduction in both reoffending and first time entrants, however there is a small cohort who reoffend frequently.
- Members enquired as to the usefulness of comparison with other local authorities. Members were advised that local authorities helped each other in various ways and shared good practice.
- Members were advised that key partners are committed to driving forward the work of the Youth Justice Service, scrutinising data regarding service delivery and providing solutions. The benefits of the group approach are beginning to be seen.

#### **RESOLVED:**

That the Chairperson writes to the Cabinet Member on behalf of the Committee expressing their comments and observations during the Way Forward.

58 : URGENT ITEMS (IF ANY)

No urgent items were tabled at this meeting.

59 : DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting of the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee is on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 4.30 pm via MS Teams.

The meeting terminated at 8.07 pm

# CYNGOR CAERDYDD CARDIFF COUNCIL

#### CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

**21 SEPTEMBER 2021** 

#### **CYPSC WORK PROGRAMME 2021/22**

## **Purpose of Report**

1. To enable Members of the Committee to agree and approve their Work Programme for 2021-22.

## **Background**

- 2. The Council's Constitution states that each Scrutiny Committee will set their own work programme. This is traditionally undertaken at the beginning of a municipal year and updated as the work progresses. As with other years, the work programme needs to be carefully constructed so that the time available to the Committee is used most effectively in order to maximise the impact of Scrutiny.
- The Environmental Scrutiny Committee's Terms of Reference provide the Committee with the responsibility for the scrutiny of a number of specific service areas. A copy of the terms of reference has been attached to this document as Appendix A.
- 4. Scrutiny plays an essential role in promoting accountability, efficiency and effectiveness in the Council's decision-making process and the way in which it delivers services. The main roles of the Scrutiny Committees are:
  - i. Holding to account the Cabinet and officers, as decision-makers.
  - ii. Being a 'critical friend', questioning how decisions have been made, providing a 'check and balance' to decision makers and undertaking reviews of services and policy.
  - iii. Providing a voice for citizens.

- 5. The construction of a work programme involves obtaining information from a range of sources, these may include:
  - Information from the relevant Directorates;
  - Relevant extracts from relevant corporate documents including Cabinet Forward Plan, Capital Ambition, Corporate Plan, Recovery & Renewal Plans, Directorate Delivery Plans, budgetary information, performance information, risk register and audit reports.
  - Forthcoming UK and Welsh Government legislation and policy changes
  - Suggestions and ideas put forward by the Children & Young People Scrutiny Committee:
  - Member suggestions and observations;
  - Citizen and third party comments and observations;
  - Performance information.

#### Identification of Potential Items

- 6. At the July 2021 Committee meeting, Members resolved to hold a CYPSC Work Programming Forum (which took place on the 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021) where they agreed a number of scrutiny priorities for the remainder of the 2021/22 municipal year and asked the Chair and Principal Scrutiny Officer to create a draft work programme for discussion and potential approval at the September meeting. A copy of the draft work programme detailing the period September 2021 to March 2022 is attached to this report at **Appendix B**. Members have agreed to regularly review their Work Programme and update during the remainder of the municipal year.
- 7. An explanation of the various forms of scrutiny that can be carried delivered are set out below:
  - Policy Development & Review Where the Committee contributes to the Council's policy development processes by considering draft policy documents or existing policies.

- Inquiries Where the Committee undertakes an examination of a topic over a
  period of time, via a task & finish group, resulting in a formal report to the
  Cabinet. These can be short inquiries, such as deep dives, or longer inquiries, as
  required.
- Short Scrutiny Studies Where the Committee examines a particular service or issue over one or two committee meetings. Frequently such scrutiny activity results in a letter being sent to the relevant Cabinet Member with recommendations or comments.
- Pre Decision Where the Committee evaluates and comments on proposals before they go to the Cabinet, giving the Cabinet the opportunity to reflect upon Scrutiny views prior to making their decision.
- Monitoring Performance & Progress Where the Committee undertakes monitoring of the Council's performance and progress in implementing actions previously agreed.
- 8. When developing a scrutiny work programme it is important prioritise where work resources are allocated. This means that items should be prioritised to ensure quality over quantity, achievability, deliverability and impact. In following this approach items should:
  - Focus Be based on issues that impact on Cardiff citizens.
  - Add Value Where possible enhance the work of the Council in delivering services to our citizens.
  - Involve Involve partners, stakeholders and the public in scrutiny process.
  - Demonstrate Flexibility The work programme should be reviewed regularly to reflect changing priorities.
  - Agreed by Committee Work programme items should be agreed by the whole Committee working as a team.
  - Thematic The Committee should consider wider issues rather than only focusing on Council services.
  - Balance The work programme should be balanced and include items from across the terms of reference.

- Team work In delivering the work programme councillors should leave party politics at the door, work as a team and focus on wider issues that impact on all Cardiff citizens.
- 9. In setting their work programme, Members have been mindful of Audit Wales advice for scrutiny committees to aim to achieve committee meetings within reasonable timeframes, whilst maintaining robust and appropriate levels of scrutiny across the terms of reference. Key to this is ensuring agendas are of a manageable size, work occurs outside of committee meetings and Members are provided the option to adjourn a committee meeting if more time is required than originally anticipated.
- 10. This timeframe takes on added significance with meetings held remotely, given advice to keep remote meetings as short as possible. Scrutiny Chairs have discussed the length of meetings and decided to aim to keep meetings to 2.5 hours, where possible.

## Forward Work Plan September - December 2021

- 11. As part of the Council's response to the Wales Audit Office report 'Overview and Scrutiny Fit for the Future?' (July 2018), the Head of Democratic Services has introduced publication of the Committee's "Forward Work Programme" (FWP) on the Council's internet site.<sup>1</sup>
- 12. The next published FWP will cover the period September 2021 December 2021. At this meeting, Members are asked to consider the information set out in Appendix C and agree for this to be published, subject to any amendments agreed at this meeting.

#### Way Forward

13. Members are invited to consider whether any further amendments are required to the draft work programme attached at **Appendix B** and subsequently agree the Environmental Scrutiny Committee Work Programme for 2021-22. Members are

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Available at: <u>Scrutiny Forward Work Programmes (cardiff.gov.uk)</u>

reminded of the need to retain some flexibility in the work programme to enable new items to be added during the year as necessary.

## **Legal Implications**

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## **Financial Implications**

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#### RECOMMENDATION

The Committee is recommended to:

- i. Consider the contents of this report and its Appendices;
- ii. Consider and agree any amendments to the draft work programme;
- iii. Approve a final work programme for 2021-22; and
- iv. Consider and agree the Committee Forward Work Plan attached at **Appendix C**, for publication on the Council's internet.

DAVINA FIORE
Director of Governance & Legal Services
15th September 2021

## Children & Young People Scrutiny Committee specific Terms of Reference

To scrutinise, measure and actively promote improvement in the Council's performance in the provision of services and compliance with Council policies, aims and objectives in the area of children and young people, including:

- School Improvement
- Schools Organisation
- School Support Services
- Education Welfare & Inclusion
- Early Years Development
- Special Educational Needs
- Governor Services
- Children's Social Services
- Children & Young People's Partnership
- Youth Services and Justice
- Children's Play Services

To assess the impact of partnerships with and resources and services provided by external organisations including the Welsh Government, Welsh Government Sponsored Public Bodies, joint local government services and quasi-departmental non-government bodies on the effectiveness of Council service delivery.

To report to an appropriate Cabinet or Council meeting on its findings and to make recommendations on measures which may enhance Council performance and service delivery in this area.

## Within their terms of reference, Scrutiny Committees will:

## General

- review and/or scrutinise decisions made or actions taken in connection;
- with the discharge of any of the Authority's functions;
- make reports and/or recommendations to the Council and/or the Cabinet;
- consider any matter affecting the area or its inhabitants;

- exercise the right to 'call-in', for reconsideration, decisions made but not yet implemented by the Cabinet, Cabinet Members and designated senior officers;
- Receive and consider reports from statutory external inspectors or auditors referred to them; and
- act in accordance with the Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

## **Specific functions**

Scrutiny Committees will:

- review and scrutinise the decisions made by and performance of the Cabinet and/or committees and employees both in relation to individual decisions and over time;
- ii. review and scrutinise the performance of the Authority in relation to its policy objectives, performance targets and/or service areas;
- iii. question members of the Cabinet and committees and/or employees about their decisions and performance, whether generally in comparison with service plans and targets over a period of time, or in relation to particular decisions, initiatives or projects;
- iv. make recommendations to the Cabinet and/or appropriate committee and/or Council arising from the outcome of the scrutiny process;
- v. review and scrutinise the performance of other public bodies in the area and invite reports from them by requesting them to address the scrutiny committee and local people about their activities and performance; and
- vi. question and gather evidence from any person (with their consent).

#### Resources

Scrutiny Committees may exercise overall responsibility for the resources made available to them.

CYPSC Work Programme 2021/22 APPENDIX B

		16/09/2021	07/10/2021	09/11/2021	09/12/2021	11/01/2022	15/02/2022	03/03/2022
Con 1	mmittee Item	Local Development Plan - pre-decision	Closer to home / development of accommodation options for children and young people in Cardiff policy/ service development	Interventions Hub / Reviewing Hub update policy/ service development	Children's Services Review policy/ service development	Cathays proposal- Strategic Outline Case/ Outline Business Case pre-decision	Budget <i>pre-</i> <i>decision</i>	Admissions arrangements (2023/24) - determination inc primary coordinated arrangements pre-decision
Con 2	nmittee Item	School Organisation Planning: 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Schools (Band B) Willows High School – <i>pre-decision</i>	YJS Update – time/ reputational updates	National Adoption Service for Wales – hosting arrangement s pre- decision	YJS Update time/ reputational updates	Court/ Moorland - first proposal(s) proceed to stat notice <i>pre- decision</i>	Corporate Plan pre-decision	Children's Services - Participation policy/ service development
Con 3	mmittee Item	School Organisation Planning: Cardiff Welsh in Education Strategic Plan (WESP) 2022-2032 – pre-decision	Family Drug and Alcohol Court <i>policy/ service</i> <i>development</i>	Education Recovery Update time/ reputational updates	Valleys, Vale & Cardiff Adoption Collaborative Annual Report 2020/21	Pentyrch Primary expansion and nursery (assuming Sept 22 open) - proceed to stat notice <i>predecision</i>	Greenhill and ALN Paper – determination pre-decision	YJS Update time/ reputational updates

	16/09/2021	07/10/2021	09/11/2021	09/12/2021	11/01/2022	15/02/2022	03/03/2022
Committee Item	School	School Organisation			J33 LDP Primary -		Education
4	Organisation	Planning: 21 <sup>st</sup> Century			proceed to stat		Recovery
	Planning: Ty Glas	Schools: The expansion			notice <i>pre-</i>		Update <i>time/</i>
	site acquisition –	and redevelopment of			decision		reputational
	CONFIDENTIAL	Cathays High School					updates
	pre-decision	pre-decision					
Committee Item	Education	School Organisation			Education		
5	Recovery Update	Planning: Greenhill and			Recovery Update		
	time/	ALN Paper <i>pre-decision</i>			time/		
	reputational				reputational		
<u> </u>	updates				updates		
Committee Item	CYPSC Work				Practice		
<mark>ን</mark>	Programme 21_22				framework - Signs		
					of Safety / Reunification /		
<b>f</b>					Family Group		
					Conferencing		
,					policy /service		
					development		
Committee Item					Central South	Central South	
7					Consortium	Consortium	
					Annual Report OR	Annual Report	
					->		
Committee Item					Corporate	Corporate	
8					Parenting Annual	Parenting	
					Report OR ->	Annual Report	

	16/09/2021	07/10/2021	09/11/202	09/12/2021	11/01/2022	15/02/2022	03/03/2022
Performance Reports		Q1 Performance	1	Q2 Performance			Q3 Performance
Committee Business Items -		Correspondence, Forward Work Plan	Correspond ence, Forward Work Plan		Correspondence, Forward Work Plan		Correspondence , Forward Work Plan
Inquiries	Young People vulnerable to exploitation						

Colour Key – Peach (Children's Services); Green (Education & Lifelong Learning); Yellow – Partnership/Governance; Blue (Other)

<u>CYPSC Inquiry – for Scoping and further agreement</u> Agreed at the CYPSC Work Programming Forum – 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Oroung People vulnerable to exploitation	To examine what factors lead to a young person becoming vulnerable to exploitation – to include issues
9	such as:
$\overline{\Phi}$	Those excluded, on reduced timetables, NEET
<u>P</u>	School Leavers
7	In care/placements/CPR/Out of county
	Care Leaver Transition process
	<ul> <li>Those not on radar/hard to reach (home schooling etc)</li> </ul>
	Those with ALN
	• ACE's
	Those with mental health issues
	Contextual Safeguarding issues
	Need for effective wraparound for CYP and their families
	Effectiveness of Cardiff Commitment; Into Work Services; apprenticeships etc
	To include YJS
	Role of the VAP
	Role of Partners
	Ensuring links are in place between arrangements such as Safeguarding and Community Safety
	Prevention and Early Intervention

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## <u>Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee – Forward Work Programme</u> September – December 2021

Subject to review due to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic.

## September 2021

#### Replacement Local Development Plan

To receive a briefing on the LDP and consider ways forward for the scrutiny of the parts of the LDP that fall within the terms of reference of CYPSC.

Invitees

Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning & Transport; Director of Planning; Group Leader (Policy) in Planning, Transport & Environment, Planning

## School Organisation Planning: Willows - post engagement 'determination'

To undertake the pre-decision scrutiny of the Cabinet proposals in relation to Willows High School

Invitees

Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Education, Employment & Skills Director of Education and Lifelong Learning

School Organisation Planning: Cardiff Welsh in Education Strategic Plan (WESP) 2022-2032

To undertake the pre-decision scrutiny to note the content of the draft WESP and to authorise office to consult on the draft plan Invitees

Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Education, Employment & Skills Director of Education and Lifelong Learning

## School Organisation Planning: Ty Glas site acquisition

To undertake the pre-decision scrutiny of the Cabinet proposals in relation to land acquisition at the Ty Glas site, at Ty Glas Avenue, Llanishen in order to secure a site for education purposes.

#### Invitees

Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Education, Employment & Skills Director of Education and Lifelong Learning

## **Education Recovery Update**

To receive an update on the Education pandemic recovery, including the Renew and Recovery: Delivering a Child Friendly Recovery Programme Invitees

Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Education, Employment & Skills Director of Education and Lifelong Learning

#### CYPSC Work Programme 2021/22

For Members to sign off their work programme for the municipal year ahead. Invitees
None

## October 2021

School Organisation Planning: 21<sup>st</sup> Century Schools: The expansion and redevelopment of Cathays High School

To undertake the pre-decision scrutiny of the Cabinet proposals in relation to Cathays High School Invitees

Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Education, Employment & Skills Director of Education and Lifelong Learning

School Organisation Planning: Greenhill and ALN Paper

To undertake the pre-decision scrutiny of the Cabinet proposals in relation to Greenhill and ALN Paper

Invitees

Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Education, Employment & Skills Director of Education and Lifelong Learning

Closer to home / development of accommodation options for children and young people in Cardiff

To receive an update on the development of accommodation options for children and young people in Cardiff, linked to the CYPSC Inquiry on Out of County placements

#### Invitees

Cabinet Member for Children & Families; Corporate Director for Communities and Housing and Director of Social Services; Director of Children's Services

## Family Drug and Alcohol Court

To receive an update on planning and progress of the Family Drug & Alcohol Court Invitees

Cabinet Member for Children & Families; Corporate Director for Communities and Housing and Director of Social Services; Director of Children's Services

## Youth Justice Service – Progress Update

To receive an update and monitor progress in relation to the Youth Justice Service. Invitees

Independent Chair of the Youth Justice Board Cabinet Member for Children and Families Corporate Director People and Communities Assistant Director of Children's Services YJS Board Partners

## Q1 Performance

To receive an update and monitor progress in relation to Q1 Performance for Children's Services

Invitees

Cabinet Member for Children & Families; Corporate Director for Communities and Housing and Director of Social Services; Director of Children's Services

## November 2021

#### National Adoption Service for Wales – hosting arrangements

To undertake the pre-decision scrutiny of the Cabinet proposals in relation to the hosting arrangements for the National Adoption Service for Wales Invitees

Cabinet Member for Children & Families; Corporate Director for Communities and Housing and Director of Social Services; Director of Children's Services

#### Interventions Hub / Reviewing Hub update

To receive an update on planning and progress of the Interventions and Reviewing Hubs

Invitees

Cabinet Member for Children & Families; Corporate Director for Communities and Housing and Director of Social Services; Director of Children's Services

## **Education Recovery Update**

To receive an update on the Education pandemic recovery, including the Renew and Recovery: Delivering a Child Friendly Recovery Programme Invitees

Deputy Leader & Cabinet Member for Education, Employment & Skills Director of Education and Lifelong Learning

## December 2021

Valleys, Vale & Cardiff Adoption Collaborative Annual Report 2020/21

For Members to consider the VVC Annual Report for 2020/21 Invitees

Cabinet Member for Children & Families; Corporate Director for Communities and Housing and Director of Social Services; Director of Children's Services; VVC Manager

#### Children's Services Review

To receive an update on planning and progress of the Children's Services Review Invitees

Cabinet Member for Children & Families; Corporate Director for Communities and Housing and Director of Social Services; Director of Children's Services

#### Youth Justice Service – Progress Update

To receive an update and monitor progress in relation to the Youth Justice Service. Invitees

Independent Chair of the Youth Justice Board Cabinet Member for Children and Families Corporate Director People and Communities Assistant Director of Children's Services

## CYNGOR CAERDYDD CARDIFF COUNCIL

#### CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

21st SEPTEMBER 2021

#### **EDUCATION PANDEMIC RESPONSE - UPDATE**

## **Purpose of the Report**

 This report provides Members with an update on progress in relation to the Education Pandemic Response, attached at *Appendix A*.

## **Background**

2. During 2020/21 as part of its work programming, Members of this Scrutiny agreed to receive bi-monthly updates from Education & Lifelong Learning in relation to the Education Pandemic Recovery. At its work programming forum on the 19<sup>th</sup> July 2021, the Committee resolved to continue this approach during 2021/22, which also links with the Cabinet's Renewal & Recovery Agenda; and the Child Friendly City Accreditation.

#### Issues

- 3. Attached at *Appendix A* is a written brief from Education & Lifelong Services.

  The key issues highlighted in the attached includes:
  - Re-engagement and wellbeing
  - A Citywide Children and Young People's Festival 'Summer of Smiles'
  - Enhanced Youth Service Provision
  - School Holiday Enrichment Programme (SHEP)
  - The Impact of Covid-19 on Children & Young People: Update Position for operation of schools

- 4. Since July 2020, this Scrutiny Committee has provided a number of comments, observations and views on the following issues. Links to relevant letters and papers can be found in the next Section of this Report:
  - Learning and attainment for all
    - Ensuring all schools work to similar standards and approaches –
       learning from best practice etc;
    - Pupils who had disengaged with learning and the knock-on effect this may have in relation to their individual achievement and attainment;
    - NEETS;
    - o Post 16 learning;
    - Digital Deprivation & Inequality;
    - Support for vulnerable learners;
    - Non-Formal education settings
  - Planning/Preparing
    - Use of Welsh Government Funding where is it going, how will it be used?
    - Summer Provision
  - Health and Well-being
    - School Based Counselling and Pupil Wellbeing;
    - Mental health services and capacity for children & young people;
    - Staff Health and Well-being.
  - Examinations and Assessments;
  - Inspection Activity;
  - Consultation and Engagement with Children & Young People.

## **Previous Scrutiny**

- 5. This Scrutiny Committee has considered this topic on the following dates:
  - 30 July 2020<sup>1</sup>
  - 12 October 2020<sup>2</sup>
  - In December 2020, Members of this Scrutiny Committee were sent a further briefing via email on further updates in relation to education recovery – dated 15 December 2020. This will be redistributed to Members prior to the meeting.
  - 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021<sup>3</sup>
  - 11 May 2021<sup>4</sup>
- 6. Members have also raised issues on this topic when considering the following issues:
  - Child Friendly City Agenda Item 19 January 2021<sup>5</sup>
  - Corporate Plan and Budget Scrutiny 23 February 2021<sup>6</sup>

## **Way Forward**

- 7. A presentation will be made at this meeting, and the following witnesses will be in attendance meeting to answer any questions on this, and the information set out in *Appendix A*:
  - Councillor Sarah Merry, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member Education,
     Employment & Skills;
  - Melanie Godfrey, Director of Education & Lifelong Learning;
  - Mike Tate, Assistant Director of Education and Lifelong Learning; and
  - Suzanne Scarlett, OM Partnerships and Performance.

<sup>1</sup> Agenda for Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee on Thursday, 30th July, 2020, 4.30 pm : City of Cardiff Council (moderngov.co.uk)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Agenda for Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee on Monday, 12th October, 2020, 4.30 pm : City of Cardiff Council (moderngov.co.uk)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Agenda for Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee on Monday, 15th March, 2021, 4.30 pm : City of Cardiff Council (moderngov.co.uk)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Agenda for Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday, 11th May, 2021, 5.00 pm : City of Cardiff Council (moderngov.co.uk)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Agenda for Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday, 19th January, 2021, 4.30 pm: City of Cardiff Council (moderngov.co.uk)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Agenda for Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday, 23rd February, 2021, 10.30 am: City of Cardiff Council (moderngov.co.uk)

8. Members will be able to agree any comments, concerns or recommendations that they wish to pass on to the Cabinet Member and Senior Officers during the Way Forward.

## **Legal Implications**

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## **Financial Implications**

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#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Committee considers this report, its appendix and information provided at the meeting and agrees any recommendations, comments or advice it wishes to offer to the Cabinet Member and Director of Education & Lifelong Learning.

Davina Fiore
Director of Governance and Legal Services
15<sup>th</sup> September 2021



#### **Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee**

#### **Education Pandemic Recovery Update**

#### September 2021

This report looks at short term progress of elements of the Council's plans for a Child Friendly Recovery in Cardiff.

It focusses on three key areas from the Education directorate perspective on activities that have taken place throughout the summer period to engage young people across the city and focus on their reengagement and wellbeing.

Over the medium to longer term, the directorate will work in partnership with children, young people and families to refresh and publish a new, post-pandemic, Child Friendly Strategy in the autumn of 2021, inclusive of detailed shared commitments and a 3-year plan as well as a refresh of Cardiff 2030.

#### Short Term – A Graduated Response to Need

#### Re-engagement and wellbeing

An inclusive, innovative and joined up response to the re-engagement and wellbeing of children and young people is at the core of the Council's Child Friendly Recovery agenda. This report focusses on three key areas delivered across the Education Directorate to support this.

These activities all took place throughout the school summer holidays to prepare young people for a return to full education in the September as well as to continue to focus on young people's mental and physical wellbeing. All activities were specifically targeted at the most vulnerable young people and their families identified by schools. The rationale behind these activities was that there must be opportunities for children and young people to recover lost social, recreational, sport and leisure experiences, to simply 'be' with their friends and to enjoy some return to life as it was before the pandemic.

#### A Citywide Children and Young People's Festival – 'Summer of Smiles'

The Summer of Smiles Festival was developed as a way to help young people to reconnect, have new experiences and make new friends. The underlying values of treating young people with dignity and respect and recognising their skills and abilities were integral in the development. Young people were at the heart of consultations when developing the plans.

Activities took place throughout the city and built on the resources of being a capital city. The focus centred around two city centre venues outside county hall and in the city centre to host a range of engaging activities for young people and their families. To ensure that the most vulnerable young people were involved the following groups received early bird free passes to activities:

- Specialist Teaching Teams
- Young Carers Provision
- Foster Care and Looked After Teams
- Cardiff Youth Service
- Early Help and Family Gateway

- Play Service Disability Officer
- Hostel and Supported Housing Team
- Youth Justice Team
- EMTAS and Closing the Gap Team

#### Festival Outcomes

It was clear from feedback from young people that engaged with activities that wellbeing was enhanced. Over 18,000 visitors came to the city centre venues building back confidence in travelling across the city. The vast majority of these visitors came from families that would not usually receive this provision. This confidence was also shown as groups interacted in groups and wider social settings and there were no recorded issues related to COVID. The profile of Cardiff as a child friendly city was increased and the links with partner organisations enhanced. The festival also received positive, wide ranging media attention and helped to generate a opening up of the city centre feeling.

Visitors felt safe across all the activities and commented that all venues were welcoming, relaxed and well managed and that they were confident to enjoy the events safely. Whether indoors or outdoors Summer of Smiles gave safe spaces for new experiences, for developing important social skills and just having fun.

As well as engaging young people in the participation of the events they were also identified and trained to volunteer to work across the festival sites.

#### **Enhanced Youth Service Provision**

Despite the challenges presented over the last year, summer 2021 has seen young people out and about, enjoying themselves whilst participating in a diverse range of youth provision. Staff have worked extremely hard for the duration of the summer to ensure an exciting and engaging summer programme was delivered across the city. These are some of the highlights:

#### Roadshows

Throughout the summer youth service teams along with a variety of supporting partners in each community have delivered 10 roadshow events across the city. Venues included Splott Park, Ely Recreational Ground, Pentwyn Muga/Skate Park, Eastern Leisure Centre and Butetown, Grangetown & Riverside. Neighbourhood teams worked with local partners to ensure each event was targeted, meaningful and engaging for the young people in that area. Each event provided a range of activities and opportunities for further support. The Post 16 Team delivered 5 bespoke roadshows focused around education, training and employment.

#### Neighbourhood area teams

Neighbourhood youth centre provisions all delivered a full 6 week engaging and exciting summer programme which included some centre-based activities including arts, cooking, life skills and music. Local trips to surrounding areas included bike rides, day walks, DofE expedition, go-karting and picnics. Young people really enjoyed the adventurous outdoor activities including mountain biking, gorge walking, sup boarding provided by the Urdd and Storey Arms Centre. Young people had an opportunity relax and meet their friends in a safe space, try new activities, gain new skills and experiences and just enjoy the summer.

The Inclusive Team provided 5 weeks of activities for young people who attend groups such as Young Carers, Inclusive Youth Clubs and Girls Group. Through sports, cooking and outdoor activities, young people were able to make new friends, grow in confidence and overcome barriers such as social anxiety. 26 young people completed their Bronze DofE Award, an amazing achievement this year.

#### Summer of Smiles

With the support of the Digital Team the newly formed Young Creators group reported on the Summer of Smiles activities across the city. A number of films are available on view on YouTube.

Neighbourhood and specialist youth provisions supported a large number of young people opportunities to attend various activities provided by Summer of Smiles. This added huge value to our summer programme and enabled young people to gain new experiences and try out new activities.

Grassroots city centre youth project supported the Summer of Smiles Festival.

#### Summer transition year 11

The Pre 16 Youth Mentors have been extremely active this summer, making an offer of support to every Year 11 leaver. Despite the challenges presented due to Covid, youth mentors have contacted, engaged and supported young people throughout the summer to attend appointment and interviews with Careers Wales, Into Work service, training providers and colleges, to overcome personal barriers to engagement and/or progression such as transport, mental health, financial and confidence. Neighbourhood teams have also provided weekly drop-in sessions which have been well attended.

#### Post 16 provision

Over the summer, the Post 16 team have delivered a range of bespoke projects which targeted young people not in education, training or employment (NEET) in neighbourhood communities across the city. All young people who attended a project have been linked to a youth mentor for ongoing support. A highlight has been the 'Recipe for Life' project, enabling young people to gain real-life experience of the hospitality industry whilst improving confidence, developing new skills, gaining an accreditation and securing employment or training at the end of the course.

#### Street Based & Youth Bus

Throughout July and August, the Street Based team have been delivering youth work across the city, supporting neighbourhood programmes and events. As a response to presenting needs, community engagement and partnership work has been very positive resulting in some very exciting projects/developments for ongoing work in areas such as Grangetown, St. Mellons, Caerau and Adamsdown. The team are also supporting the City Centre Skaters project enabling young people to have their voices heard on safe places to skateboard as well as issues they are passionate about.

The Youth Bus team have been out and about 6 days a week covering many communities across the city and supporting many events. A highlight has been regular weekly support for the 'Fit n Fed' projects with Fairwater and Western Leisure centres building good relationships with young people in these areas.

#### New pop-up provision

Consultation carried out prior to and during the summer highlighted presenting areas in need of youth provision. Additional funding has enabled opportunities to create a number of new pop-up youth provisions with other partners in the community, two are highlighted below:

The Girls Group in Grange Gardens has formed during the summer providing young females a safe space to meet weekly, to socialise with friends, gain new experiences and feel supported with their personal development and progression routes.

Caerau was identified as an area needing further support directly after school. A twilight provision has been developed with various partners across the area to provide activities and youth work support to young people in the area, linking up youth support services and providers.

#### Emotional Health & Homelessness Team

Over the summer the Emotional Health & Homelessness Team supported roadshow events in Ely, Llanrumney, Pentwyn, Splott and Riverside. Resilience Workers delivered targeted interventions using the iCare Programme with 87 young people. The iCare programme has been developed with young people to help support and build emotional resilience and well-being through self-care activities. A journal focuses on building self-care activities, looking at personal strengths, identifying support networks and reframing our outlook on life. Initial feedback from evaluations completed was very positive with 98% found the activities within the programme interesting and helpful and 100% felt valued and listened to.

#### Digital youth work

The Digital Team have been working with young people at some of the roadshows and at various projects to record young peoples' experiences; from white water rafting, DofE expeditions to interviewing young people, the group have edited the footage and created really interesting films, some of which are available on view on the Cardiff Youth Services YouTube channel.

The team also partnered up with Techno Camps to provide a 4-day computer science programme for young people aged 11-16 to learn how to code and programme. Cardiff Commitment representatives from Microsoft and Admiral also joined sessions to discuss coding and programming in the workplace. As a result of this project the Digital Team will now be working with a group of young people and Techno Camps to develop a digital space with lots of opportunities for young people.

Our newly developed website gives a more detailed view of our youth support services and provisions across the city <a href="www.cardiffyouthservices.wales">www.cardiffyouthservices.wales</a>

#### School Holiday Enrichment Programme (SHEP)

This summer, Food and Fun was delivered in 28 schools across the city (2 English medium secondary schools, 1 Welsh medium secondary school, 1 pupil referral unit, 1 special school, 1 Welsh medium primary school and 22 English medium primary schools).

This summer additional Welsh Government funding was provided to enable the programme to be extended to include communities beyond the traditionally Welsh Government funded targeted areas, to help make sure as many children as possible could access the provision.

Over 1200 children accessed the provision which provides a healthy breakfast and lunch, and nutrition and food sessions each day, as well as enrichment activities provided by a range of city-wide partner organisations, enabling children to learn new skills in a fun and safe environment. Each school was supported with physical activity sessions delivered by Sport Cardiff.

Education catering teams served over 22,000 healthy breakfasts and lunches, with 46 school staff trained in Nutrition Skills for Life to enable delivery of fun nutrition education sessions to children to promote healthy eating and encourage up take of school meals.

Pre pandemic families of children attending Food and Fun sessions would be invited into school to eat lunch together. This year more than 5000 family food bags, including ingredients and a step-by-step recipe developed by dieticians from Cardiff and Vale Health Board, were distributed to Food and Fun families across the city. This enabled families to prepare, cook and eat together.

Over 30 partner organisations supported the delivery of fun enrichment activities which included visits by the emergency services, dance, music, football, cricket, rocket launching, drama, gardening, water safety, rail safety, internet safety, science, construction, flying drones and many more. These activities all contribute to #makingmemories ensuring children have had a fun summer!

#### The Impact of Covid-19 on Children & Young People: Update Position for operation of schools

#### **Guidance and Risk Framework**

#### Background

The latest guidance from Welsh Government details that the country is in a phase of transition moving from pandemic to an endemic phase. In this transition phase dynamic changes will continue and where rising numbers occur challenges will continue.

As society and schools continue move to a business-as-usual basis, or as close to, the approach applied needs to be balanced whilst maintaining approach to mitigate against spread across communities and into schools. In this period of transition, we need to continue to adapt and respond accordingly but in a way that is also proportional. Over this Autumn term Covid will need to be managed in the context of responding to other respiratory viruses – particularly in the autumn and early spring terms.

#### Move from Operational Guidance to a Control Framework

From September 20<sup>th</sup>, the Operational Guidance from Welsh Government that has been issued and regularly updated over the preceding academic year will be replaced with a control framework. This will be directed by local PHW teams with schools seeing mitigations either being increased or decreased in response, depending on the spread of the virus and the controls needed to manage its transmission.

The overall alert level is set at a national level. However, at a local level Incident Management Teams will meet weekly to agree local risk ratings and the mitigations that need to be in place to manage them. The Local authority will work with schools to manage this process.

The hierarchy of controls and risk assessments will inform what reasonable measures will required as well as those activities undertaken in schools. Additionally, LFD test results will inform the rates of infection and what proportionate responses are required (so for example, if a rate is high and/or rising a decision may be taken not hold assemblies as a response). This reinforces the importance and need for the continued use of LFD testing, and reporting of those tests, for staff and secondary learners during this period.

The Local Authority will continue to communicate to schools any changes to risk levels and mitigations appropriate to local contexts. Already this term Cardiff guidance has been shared with schools and there have been online webinar sessions to clarify guidance as well as weekly catchup sessions to provide updates.



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#### **CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**15 SEPTEMBER 2021** 

CARDIFF REPLACEMENT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN: VISION, ISSUES AND OBJECTIVES & INTEGRATED SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL SCOPING REPORT

#### **Purpose of Report**

 To provide Members with background information to assist scrutiny of the draft report to Cabinet titled Cardiff Replacement Local Development Plan: Vision, Issues and Objectives and Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report prior to its consideration by Cabinet on 23 September 2021 and Council on 30 September 2021.

#### **Structure of the Papers**

2. To facilitate Member's consideration, the following appendices are attached to this report:

**Appendix A:** draft Cabinet Report

#### Attached to the Cabinet report are the following appendices:

**Appendix 1**: Proposed LDP Vision and Objectives

**Appendix 2**: Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report

**Appendix 3**: Summary of consultation and engagement findings.

(Part 1: Findings from Questionnaire Surveys, Part 2: Summary of comments received)

**Appendix 4**: Summary of Integrated Sustainability Appraisal of LDP Vision and Objectives

**Appendix 5**: Engagement Plan for Strategic Options and Sites Consultation

#### **Scope of Scrutiny**

- 3. On 23 September 2021 the Cabinet will consider the attached report presenting the findings of the consultation process, the draft vision and objectives for the Replacement Local Development Plan and draft Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report which will be used to assess the plan.
- 4. The Local Development Plan (LDP) is a major Council policy. As such, it is essential that it is subject to robust scrutiny. Consequently, the five Scrutiny Chairs have agreed that each Scrutiny Committee will individually consider the September Cabinet Report as relevant to their own terms of reference. Following the scrutinies, a collective letter will capture the concerns and observations of all five committees in a letter to the Cabinet. Going forward, Chairs consider it will be good practice to pool scrutiny expertise from all committees and continue a culture of collaboration, whilst recognising that issues will emerge from the September committees that determine the best way forward. They have therefore programmed further discussion of the best approach for maximising the impact of scrutiny based on the outcome of these five initial scrutines.
- 5. During scrutiny of this report, Members are reminded to stay within the remit of the Committee's terms of reference and will have the opportunity to explore:
  - i. The proposed vision and objectives;
  - ii. The consultation process undertaken including methods used, level of responses and how representational they are;
  - iii. Whether there are any risks to the Council;
  - iv. The timeline and next steps for delivering the Replacement Local Development Plan;
  - v. The recommendations to Cabinet.
  - vi. The deliverability of affordable housing, placemaking and neighbourhood renewal within the proposals;
  - vii. The intentions and capacity requirements for local health and well-being infrastructure and toward addressing homelessness.

Members will note that this list is not intended to be exhaustive, however are reminded to consider the papers within the Committee's terms of reference.

#### Background

- 6. The Cardiff Local Development Plan (LDP) was adopted by the Council on 28th January 2016 and sets out the Council's planning framework for the development and use of land in the city over the period 2006 to 2026. An up-to-date LDP is an essential part of the planning system in Wales and statutory measures are in place to manage the Plan review process. In this respect, the Council is required under Section 69 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 to undertake a full review of the adopted LDP at intervals not longer than every 4 years from the date of adoption.
- 7. The first stage in a review process is the publication of a draft Review Report and draft Delivery Agreement which puts forward the procedure for preparing a Replacement LDP.
- 8. The Delivery Agreement outlines the key areas of work that the Council needs to account for in preparation for the replacement LDP, the tools that will be used, key legislative and non-statutory considerations along with evidence-based assessment that will be undertaken or considered. The Delivery Agreement also contains the Replacement LDP's Community Involvement Scheme which specifies how and when the Council will provide opportunities for consultees and the local community to be involved in the process.
- 9. The Council's Final Review Report concluded that the full revision procedure would be the most appropriate option and that a replacement LDP be prepared for the period 2021-2036. At their meetings on the 18th March 2021, Cabinet and Council agreed and approved the Final Review Report and Final Delivery Agreement and authorised their submission to Welsh Government, who subsequently approved both documents on the 30th March 2021.

#### Timetable to deliver a Replacement Local Development Plan

10. Delivering a successful replacement LDP will span three and a half years, from Welsh Government and Council approval of the Delivery Agreement in March 2021, to Adoption by the Council in October 2024. The following diagram illustrates the stages.



#### Cardiff Replacement Local Development Plan – Statutory Requirements

- 11. The aims of the Replacement LDP are to:
  - Deliver sustainable development;
  - Reflect local aspirations for the city, based on a vision agreed by the local community and other stakeholders;
  - Provide a basis for rational and consistent development management decisions;
  - Guide growth and change, which positively impacts health and wellbeing while protecting local diversity, character and sensitive environments; and
  - Show how and where change will occur over the Replacement Plan period.

- 12. In preparing the Replacement LDP, the Council must also take account of:
  - A wide range of legislation, policies and other initiatives, at European,
     national and local levels of government and;
  - Relevant social, economic and environmental considerations.
- 13. In addition, the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 Act (as amended by 2015 Act) requires the Council, in preparing the Replacement LDP, to have regard to:
  - Current national policies:
  - Strategic Development Plan for the area
  - The National Development Framework for Wales; and
  - The resources likely to be available for implementing the Replacement Plan.

#### Cardiff Replacement Local Development Plan - Vision & Objectives

- 14. The Replacement LDP will need to respond to key issues in Cardiff and be guided by an over- arching vision and supporting objectives. The agreed vision and objectives will set the context for the plan and ensure a balance between economic, social and environmental objectives to help deliver sustainable development over the plan period. Further information on the proposed vision and objectives for consideration is detailed in **points 4-9** of **Appendix A** and **Appendix 1.**
- 15. The response to the consultation along with the vision and objectives set out in Appendix 1 will form part of the Preferred Strategy which will be considered by the Council in the Autumn of 2022. The Preferred Strategy will also contain strategic options considered and the preferred spatial strategy together with relevant supporting information.

#### **Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Report**

- 16. **Appendix 2** to **Appendix A** is the Integrated Sustainability Appraisal (ISA) Scoping Report which will be used to assess the Replacement Plan. Its purpose is to identify the likely significant economic, social, environmental and cultural effects of the emerging RLDP, and to suggest measures to minimise any negative effects and maximise the positive ones.
- 17. The ISA covers sustainability appraisal / strategic environmental assessment, equalities assessment, Welsh language, and health impact assessment.
- 18. There are five stages/tasks to producing the ISA and its development will take place alongside the development of the Replacement LDP. The report at **Appendix 2** is Stage A and has supported the Delivery Agreement and evidence gathering and stakeholder involvement on key issues.
- 19. A diagram explaining the integration of the Sustainability Appraisal at each stage of the LDP plan-making journey can be found on page 5 of **Appendix 2**, figure 1.2.

# Consultation on the Replacement LDP vision, issues, objectives and draft Integrated Sustainability Appraisal

- 20. An online, public consultation took place from 28th May to the 23rd July 2021 and sought feedback on the following;
  - Draft vision and objectives for Replacement LDP
  - Call for Candidate Sites
     Members are to note the call for Candidate Site was a separate consultation which ended on 20 Aug 2021.
  - Draft Scoping report of Integrated Sustainability Appraisal (ISA).

- 21. The consultation lasted 8 weeks and generated a total 1,215 responses from the public along with comments submitted by 83 local organisations. Further information on the consultation is contained in:
  - points 7 & 8 of Appendix A;
  - Appendix 3; Part 1 sets a summary of the public questionnaire;
  - Appendix 3 Part 2 provides a summary of comments received

#### **Way Forward**

- 22. At this meeting, the following witnesses will be in attendance:
  - (i) Councillor Caro Wild, Cabinet Member, Strategic Planning & Transport
  - (ii) Councillor Graham Hinchey, Cabinet Member, Children & Families
  - (iii) Councillor Sarah Merry, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member, Education, Employment & Skills
  - (iv) Officers from the Planning, Transport & Environment directorate
- 23. Pre-decision scrutiny aims to inform the Cabinet's decisions by making evidence based recommendations. Scrutiny Members are advised to:
  - i) Consider the information presented in the draft Cabinet Report and subsequent Appendices in line with the Committee's terms of reference and guidance detailed in point 5 of this report;
  - ii) Check the financial implications section of the Cabinet report to be aware of the advice given;
  - iii) Check the legal implications section of the Cabinet report to be aware of the advice given;
  - iv) Check the recommendations to Cabinet to see if these are appropriate.

#### **Legal Implications**

24. The Scrutiny Committee is empowered to enquire, consider, review and recommend but not to make policy decisions. As the recommendations in this report are to consider and review matters there are no direct legal implications. However, legal implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications. Any report with

recommendations for decision that goes to Cabinet/Council will set out any legal implications arising from those recommendations. All decisions taken by or on behalf of the Council must (a) be within the legal powers of the Council; (b) comply with any procedural requirement imposed by law; (c) be within the powers of the body or person exercising powers on behalf of the Council; (d) be undertaken in accordance with the procedural requirements imposed by the Council e.g. Scrutiny Procedure Rules; (e) be fully and properly informed; (f) be properly motivated; (g) be taken having regard to the Council's fiduciary duty to its taxpayers; and (h) be reasonable and proper in all the circumstances.

#### **Financial Implications**

25. The Scrutiny Committee is empowered to enquire, consider, review and recommend but not to make policy decisions. As the recommendations in this report are to consider and review matters there are no direct financial implications at this stage in relation to any of the work programme. However, financial implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications. Any report with recommendations for decision that goes to Cabinet/Council will set out any financial implications arising from those recommendations.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Committee:

- Considers the draft report and subsequent appendices in line with its terms of reference and decide whether it wishes to relay any comments or observations to the Cabinet prior to its meeting on the 23 September 2021.
- ii. Note the possibility of collaborative joint scrutiny of the next stages of the Replacement LDP via a Task and Finish group of all 5 committees.

DAVINA FIORE
Director of Governance and Legal Services
15 September 2021

BY SUBMITTING THIS REPORT TO THE CABINET OFFICE, I, ANDREW GREGORY, DIRECTOR PLANNING, TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT AM CONFIRMING THAT THE RELEVANT CABINET MEMBER(S) ARE BRIEFED ON THIS REPORT

## CARDIFF COUNCIL CYNGOR CAERDYDD

CABINET MEETING: 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021

CARDIFF REPLACEMENT LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN: VISION, ISSUES AND OBJECTIVES & INTEGRATED SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL SCOPING REPORT

CABINET PORTFOLIO: TRANSPORT & STRATEGIC PLANNING (Councillor Wild)

AGENDA ITEM:

#### **Reason for this Report**

 The purpose of this report is to report back to Council the findings of the consultation undertaken on the Replacement Local Development Plan (LDP) draft Vision, Issues and Objectives and draft Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report and to seek Council approval of the final versions, tabled in Appendix 1 and 2 to this report.

#### **Background**

- 2. The Replacement LDP Delivery Agreement was agreed by the Welsh Government in March 2021 and sets out the process and timetable for preparing the new plan. In accordance with the Agreement an extensive consultation and engagement exercise was undertaken for eight weeks between 28<sup>th</sup> May and 23<sup>rd</sup> July on the draft Vision, Issues and Objectives and draft Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report.
- 3. This was the first consultation stage in preparation of the replacement LDP and has helped inform the consideration of a Vision and Objectives for the plan and the Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report which sets out how the plan will be assessed.

#### Issues

#### Vision and Objectives

- 4. This report sets out the proposed Vision and Objectives that will form the core of the Preferred Strategy. They seek to provide an over-arching context for the plan that shows how economic, social and environmental considerations can be balanced to deliver the sustainable development of Cardiff up to 2036. They are based on the consideration of the identified issues and engagement process referred to above plus taking into account the strategic context. This strategic context includes the Council's Capital Ambition and Well-Being Plan, the Well-being Goals set out in the Well-being of Future Generations Act, key planning principles and national sustainable placemaking outcomes set out in national planning guidance and Future Wales the National Plan 2040. Mitigating the impacts of the Pandemic upon the citizens of Cardiff is also identified.
- 5. It is important that the Vision and Objectives are agreed at this stage as they will be used to help provide a context to identify and assess strategic options together with the consideration of strategic sites. Further consultation and engagement will take place regarding the strategic options and strategic sites. This is planned for November 2021 to February 2022 and will provide the opportunity to formally gain feedback on the candidate sites that have recently been submitted. The results of this process will be presented in the Preferred Strategy that is planned to be taken to the September 2022 meeting of Council and will be subject to its own formal consultation process straight after approval in October/November 2022. A process has also been agreed with Scrutiny Services so the Scrutiny Committees have an opportunity to contribute to the development of the Preferred Strategy over the coming months.
- 6. Work is progressing on developing an evidence base for the plan so that it is informed by up to date information and supports the key issues that the plan should address.
- 7. As set out above in order to help inform the Vision and Objectives, an extensive consultation and engagement exercise was carried out for 8 weeks between 28th May and 23rd July 2021. Due to the current pandemic the Council was restricted to what type of consultation activities we could undertake and for this reason no public face to face meetings were held. However, in order to "adapt" to these pandemic restrictions and encourage active participation in this early stage of preparation of the plan the Council invested in the use of user friendly on-line consultation methods to capture responses to the issues and objectives. These included:
  - A virtual live launch event where the process was outlined and attendees had the opportunity to ask questions
  - The use of virtual consultation room technology with display panels, a short film to explain the process and an online survey which was completed by over 800 respondents;
  - A new bespoke user friendly website, which received approximately 4,000 visits during the consultation;

- Extensive and targeted use of social media using Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to explain the process and publicise these consultation methods:
- The use of existing networks to engage virtually with those who do not usually take part in LDP consultation, such as younger people and
- An LDP mailbox where comments could be sent and any queries raised direct with the LDP Team.
- 8. Findings from this process have helped to draft the LDP Vision and Objectives. It has been noted that many strong themes emerging from the consultation process very closely mirror some of the key themes emerging through wider work, such as the recognition of responding to the pandemic and addressing climate change as key issues, the importance of sustainable travel, the high value placed on parks and open spaces plus improving job opportunities and access to affordable housing. The consultation exercise has therefore very much added to findings coming from the strategic policy context and issues identified from the evidence base. A summary of the consultation and engagement findings can be found in Appendix 3.
- 9. The LDP Vision and Objectives have also been subject to an Integrated Sustainability Appraisal (ISA). This has assessed the draft Vision and Objectives against the ISA objectives where potential issues have been identified and suggestions for improving the Vision and Objectives have been made. Appendix 4 of this report provides a summary of the ISA process undertaken including proposed changes to the originally drafted text.

#### Integrated Sustainability Appraisal (ISA) Scoping Report

- 10. The report sets out the ISA Scoping Report for the plan. The purpose of ISA is to identify the likely significant economic, social, environmental and cultural effects of the emerging plan, and to suggest measures to minimise any negative effects and maximise the positive ones. ISA helps to foster a more inclusive and transparent process of producing a LDP, and to ensure that the plan is integrated with other policies.
- 11. The Well-being of Future Generations Act 2015 places a duty on all public bodies to carry out sustainable development and work in accordance with the Sustainable Development Principle. In addition, the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act requires that the body producing a LDP must contribute to achieving sustainable development; and requires local planning authorities to appraise the sustainability of their plans.
- 12. This ISA covers the following assessment processes:
  - Sustainability appraisal / strategic environmental assessment (SA/SEA) as required under the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes (Wales) Regulations 2004 and the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004;
  - Equalities assessment as require by the Equalities Act

- Welsh language. Bilingual Cardiff are undertaking a Welsh Language Impact Assessment of the plan, and this ISA will use key findings from that assessment; and
- Health Impact Assessment

It also refers to the **Habitats Regulations Assessment** required under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017.

- 13. The five stages of ISA are set below:
  - A. Scoping
  - B. Assessment of Alternatives
  - C. Assessment of the Deposit Plan and preparation of the Sustainability Report
  - D. Consultation, examination and adoption of the plan
  - E. Monitoring
- 14. The Scoping Report is the first stage in the process and is largely an evidence gathering stage. The report sets out the current economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being context and baseline data and identifies sustainability issues and problems which are relevant to the area. This has enabled a set of objectives to be developed which are set out in the report and will form the framework to assess the effects of the plan policies and proposals. There is a requirement in the Regulations to consult on the ISA Scoping Report and as set out above this took place for 8 weeks between 28<sup>th</sup> May and 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021 using the consultation methods set out above in paragraph 7.
- 15. Findings from this process have helped to draft the Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report. A summary of consultation comments can be found in the ISA Scoping Report (Appendix 2).

#### **Next Steps**

16. In terms of what happens next, the approval of the LDP Vision and Objectives will be followed by a consultation and engagement exercise on strategic options and strategic sites. This is currently planned to take place for 10 weeks commencing at the end of November 2021 and will involve the consultation methods set out above together with face to face meetings Covid restrictions permitting. These will target representative groups in the community, with a particular focus on traditionally hard to reach communities and those citizens with protected characteristics (see Appendix 5). In such a way, we are hoping to amplify those voices which otherwise may not engage in the LDP process. The results of this consultation will help to inform the level of growth considered appropriate for the Preferred Strategy and will also seek views on candidate sites submitted which will help identify the strategic sites to be included in the Preferred Strategy. It also provides an opportunity for the Council to raise awareness with stakeholders and the public of its commitment to delivering high quality well planned and sustainable neighbourhoods as set out in the Vision and Objectives

17. The Preferred Strategy is scheduled to be considered by Council in September 2022. It will contain the agreed Vision and Objectives together with an overall proposed strategy that shows how other strategic options were considered and assessed. The document will also indicate the locations of strategic sites considered necessary to deliver the preferred strategy. The Preferred Strategy will then be subject to full consultation in October/November 2022. The results of this process will help inform the preparation of the LDP Deposit Copy that is planned to be considered by Council in September 2023.

#### Reason for the Recommendation

 To agree the LDP Vision and Objectives and Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report to provide a context for further work in preparing the LDP Preferred Strategy.

#### **Legal Implications**

- 19. The Council has to be mindful of the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 and the Welsh Language Standards when making any policy decisions and consider the impact upon the Welsh language, The Council has to consider the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and how this strategy may improve the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales.
- 20. The Well-Being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 'the Act') places a 'well-being duty' on public bodies aimed at achieving 7 national well-being goals for Wales a Wales that is prosperous, resilient, healthier, more equal, has cohesive communities, a vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language, and is globally responsible.
- 21. In discharging its duties under the Act, the Council has set and published well being objectives designed to maximise its contribution to achieving the national well being goals. The well being objectives are set out in Cardiff's Corporate Plan 2019-22: http://cmsprd.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Your-Council/Strategies-plans-and-policies/Corporate-Plan/Documents/Corporate%20Plan%202018-21.pdf
- 22. When exercising its functions, the Council is required to take all reasonable steps to meet its well being objectives. This means that the decision makers should consider how the proposed decision will contribute towards meeting the well being objectives and must be satisfied that all reasonable steps have been taken to meet those objectives.
- 23. The well being duty also requires the Council to act in accordance with a 'sustainable development principle'. This principle requires the Council to act in a way which seeks to ensure that the needs of the present are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. Put simply, this means that Council decision makers must take account of the impact of their decisions on people living their lives in Wales in the future. In doing so, the Council must:

- Deliver an integrated approach to achieving the 7 national well-being goals
- Work in collaboration with others to find shared sustainable solutions
- Involve people from all sections of the community in the decisions which affect them
- Look to the long term
- Focus on prevention by understanding the root causes of problems
- 24. The decision maker must be satisfied that the proposed decision accords with the principles above; and due regard must be given to the Statutory Guidance issued by the Welsh Ministers, which is accessible using the link below: <a href="http://gov.wales/topics/people-and-communities/people/future-generations-act/statutory-guidance/?lang=en">http://gov.wales/topics/people-and-communities/people/future-generations-act/statutory-guidance/?lang=en</a>
- 25. Equality Duty. The Council has to satisfy its public sector duties under the Equalities Act 2010 (including specific Welsh public sector duties) the Public Sector Equality Duties (PSED). These duties require the Council to have due regard to the need to (1) eliminate unlawful discrimination, (2) advance equality of opportunity and (3) foster good relations on the basis of 'protected characteristics'. The 'Protected characteristics' are: Age Gender reassignment Sex Race including ethnic or national origin, colour or nationality Disability Pregnancy and maternity Marriage and civil partnership Sexual orientation Religion or belief including lack of belief.

#### **Financial Implications**

- 26. There are no direct financial implications arising from this report. However, the cost of undertaking a full review of the LDP will be significant. These costs are expected to be incurred over a number of years, with projected costs of c £ 1m over a 4 year period.
- 27. The 2020/21 Budget included a single year allocation of £300,000 from the Financial Resilience Mechanism (FRM) to fund LDP costs. This was not required in that year and carried forward to 2021/22 to meet expected costs. Funding for proceeding years will need to be considered as part of future budget settlements.

#### **Human Resources Implications**

28. There are no HR implications for this report.

#### **Property Implications**

29. None

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Cabinet is recommended to agree that the Council approves the Replacement Local Development Vision and Objectives and Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report.

SENIOR RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	Andrew Gregory
	August 2021

The following Appendices are attached:

- Appendix 1: Proposed LDP Vision and Objectives
- Appendix 2: Integrated Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report
- Appendix 3: Summary of consultation and engagement findings. (Part 1: Findings from Questionnaire Surveys, Part 2: Summary of comments received)
- Appendix 4:Summary of Integrated Sustainability Appraisal of LDP Vision and Objectives
- Appendix 5: Engagement Plan for Strategic Options and Sites Consultation



# **Appendix 1: Replacement Local Development Plan Vision and Objectives**

#### **Vision**

To create a fair, healthy, more liveable, sustainable/low carbon city within a thriving city region by:

- Tackling the challenges of the climate emergency and post-pandemic recovery;
- Creating a green fair and strong city that enhances the health of the current population and wellbeing of future generations;
- Meeting future needs for new low carbon homes, jobs and infrastructure;
- Developing a high accessibility city that reshapes movement around a core of active travel and public transport usage;
- Using placemaking, high quality design, sustainability management and working with local communities to create a thriving city centre and local neighbourhoods/centres;
- Enhancing our natural, historic and cultural assets.

#### **Objectives**

#### 1. Responding to our future needs

Objective 1. Provide MORE and better quality low carbon homes to address future housing needs. The Plan will:

- Provide a range and choice of new homes of different tenure, type and location in response to specific housing needs, including responding to the needs of older people, Gypsy and Travellers and other groups who need specialised housing
- Prioritise opportunities for new homes in city and local centres and sustainable brownfield locations
- Set targets for the delivery of affordable housing
- Establish controls for the sub-division of existing homes, including flat conversions and HMOs
- Require new homes and development are zero carbon by 2025

Objective 2. Provide more jobs and maximise Cardiff's role as Capital City of Wales and economic driver of South East Wales to improve the prosperity of the region. The Plan will:

- Ensure a range and choice of employment sites in response to employment needs
- Prioritise opportunities for new employment sites in the city centre and sustainable brownfield locations
- Ensure the development of high-value clusters of specialist sectors
- Ensure the protection of existing employment land which contributes to the required supply of sites to meet employment needs

 Ensure the economic recovery of the city post-Covid-19 and respond to the change in work practices through enhancing the city centre, increased working from home and need for new working and meeting hubs throughout the city.

## Objective 3. Ensure the adequate and timely provision of new infrastructure to support communities and future growth. The Plan will:

- Identify key infrastructure required, how and when it will be delivered including:
  - Transportation- Rebalance infrastructure to support public transport, comprehensive cycle and pedestrian infrastructure, and Metro
  - o Affordable, high quality digital infrastructure
  - Social/Community Infrastructure
  - Schools, health facilities, sport/recreation, waste facilities, burial provision, water wastewater, energy
  - Environmental Contributions to combat climate change, creating new accessible greenspace and public realm
- Support Cardiff's higher education institutions/ infrastructure in recognition of their key role as part of a learning city and contribution to economic development
- Establish measures to improve digital connectivity across the city to meet the demand from increased working from home post covid and facilitate new working meeting hubs across the city.
- Introduce a CIL for new development in the Central and Bay Business Area to ensure the provision of infrastructure to support the comprehensive regeneration and upgrade of City Centre and Cardiff Bay.

# 2. Creating a sustainable and healthy city which responds to the challenges of climate change and enhances the wellbeing of future generations

Objective 4. Respond to the climate emergency so Cardiff becomes more resilient and maximises opportunities for energy-efficient solutions in line with the One Planet Cardiff Strategy to become a carbon neutral city by 2030. The Plan will:

- Set out how Cardiff will become a zero carbon city, Council and Key Partners by 2030 and beyond to combat the impacts of climate change including:
  - The role of ecosystems in addressing carbon storage, natural flood management, air quality, heat islands and noise pollution
  - o Policies to deliver zero carbon new developments
  - Managing flood risk
  - Ensure the provision of infrastructure for cleaner vehicles
- Set out measures to reduce Cardiff's carbon footprint and mitigate the effects of climate change through reducing energy demand including:
  - Locating development in sustainable locations to minimise the need to travel and reduce car dependency

- o Improve energy efficiency and the generation of renewable and low carbon energy
- Ensure the delivery of Phase 1 and Phase 2 of a Local Heat Network for Cardiff Bay and the City Centre
- Ensuring an increase in tree canopy cover across the city and support wider biodiversity
- Ensure high quality design and environmental performance of new homes

### Objective 5. Make the city easier to move around with a focus on sustainable and active travel. The Plan will:

- Set out how people can move around the city in a more sustainable, healthy and integrated manner with new development well located to transport infrastructure
- Remove congestion in the city and ensure emissions meet the air quality standards
- Ensure the delivery of bus and cycling infrastructure
- Ensure that local centres and the city centre become more viable and accessible
- Ensure a high quality pedestrian environment and public realm
- Ensure delivery of the modal split and active travel target aligned with the Transport White Paper targets
- Deliver the proposed Metro/Crossrail mass transit system for Cardiff
- Promote sustainable forms of transport and the more effective integration of public transport including new transport interchanges
- Integrate new development with national and regional investment in sustainable transport infrastructure including the Metro.

## Objective 6. Create healthier environments, reduce inequalities and improve and enhance wellbeing. The Plan will:

- Deliver equality of opportunity and access for all through addressing imbalances of inequality, deprivation and exclusion, particularly disadvantaged sections of society such as the homeless, unemployed, BAME groups and immigrants
- Ensure the delivery of healthy accessible environments to help tackle obesity, gambling addiction and access to local healthy food and promote healthier lifestyles
- Ensure strong and cohesive communities which recognise Cardiff's commitment to make Cardiff a Child Friendly City and Age Friendly City
- Set out how air quality and water quality standards can be achieved
- Promote the role of greenspaces, green streets and public realm improvements, in delivering wellbeing benefits
- Manage waste, ensure reuse and recycling and control pollution
- Ensure the regeneration of the city centre into a healthy, accessible, green, high quality environment and experience for all.
- Deliver the regeneration of local neighbourhoods and local centres, particularly the communities in the Southern Arc
- Ensure safer environments which reduce the scope for crime
- Facilitate equitable access and opportunity to Welsh Medium education in all areas of the city so that the language continues to thrive.

- Promote the provision of services and jobs in areas of highest need to reduce inequalities
- Promote the role of natural and hard infrastructure to reduce noise pollution.

Objective 7. Ensuring a vibrant, thriving mixed-use City Centre and developing Cardiff Bay's full potential to provide core destinations for Cardiff and beyond, whilst ensuring vibrant and thriving district and local retail centres as the heart of local neighbourhoods. The Plan will:

- Maximise the key strategic role of the City Centre as a high density, major financial service sector and social hub of national significance and generate the agglomeration effect in attracting further investment
- Ensure the comprehensive regeneration and upgrade of the city centre into a high quality, vibrant, green, inclusive, accessible, curated major 'destination environment'
- Maximise the potential for high density mixed use development related to the regional sustainable transport hub at Central Square
- Support the ability of the city centre and expansion areas to adapt by ensuring the presumption of mixed uses and further investment alongside the key retail role
- Continue the regeneration of land south of the regional transport hub, and connecting to Cardiff Bay.
- Expand the retail role of the city centre into Cardiff Bay to develop Cardiff Bay's full potential as a core destination for Cardiff and beyond.
- Bring forward the Canal Quarter development to create a major new city centre destination, reconnecting the city to its riverfront and opening up new public spaces.
- Ensure centres can operate as flexibly as possible where a variety of retail, employment, commercial, community, leisure, health and public sector uses come together in a hub of activity to make them viable as go-to destinations once more by setting out a vision for each centre, establishing boundaries and identifying sites for redevelopment.
- Promote a new chapter in the regeneration of Cardiff Bay (within the city centre policy designation) as a high density, mixed-use destination with:
  - The provision of supporting sustainable transport infrastructure including Crossrail between Central Station, the Bay and Newport Road – including the regeneration around new stations City, Lloyd George Avenue, the Bay, Ocean Way, Splott and Newport road areas.
  - o Enable the regeneration of Lloyd George Avenue area
  - Enhancements to the Mount Stuart Square area and development of an arena at Atlantic Wharf including linkages to the Bay Waterfront
  - Future phases for the International Sports Village site
  - Regeneration of Cardiff Docklands, including the Roath Dock/ Roath Basin and Alexandra Head areas.

Objective 8. Ensure that the city positively adapts to the new challenges posed by the implications of the pandemic. The Plan will:

- Pick up on lessons learned to ensure that the city is more resilient and adaptable in the event of future pandemics
- Ensure the economic recovery of the city after the pandemic has passed and restrictions eased
- Identify wider changes required which also help the decarbonisation agenda, tackle climate change and improve general health and well-being
- Identify any required positive permanent changes in places and as part of new development
- Respond to the change in work practices post- Covid through increased working from home and need for new working and meeting hubs throughout the city.

Objective 9. To use a placemaking approach which creates sustainable places, improves the city centre and neighbourhoods, maximises regeneration opportunities, enhances the role of public spaces, ensures that future growth can be effectively managed and delivers developments of high quality design. The Plan will:

Use the placemaking principles as an overarching approach in plan-making to create great places in new and existing locations and ensure:

- Ensure that high quality architecture, landscape design and placemaking are a priority for all new development, housing, buildings, places, streets and green spaces
- People and Community The needs, health and well-being of all people are considered at the outset
- Location Development is promoted in the most sustainable locations and land is efficiently used with a 'brownfield first' priority
- Movement Sustainable and active travel are promoted as part of a more integrated movement network
- Mix of Uses Promote high density mixed-use development
- Public Realm Well designed and connected public spaces
- Identity Features of local distinctiveness are respected in new development
- Ensure High quality design architecture and landscape design of new development.

#### 3. Looking after our natural, historic and cultural assets

Objective 10. Ensure the resilence of ecosystems by protecting and enhancing Cardiff's Green and blue Infrastructure, its biodiversity and other natural assets. The Plan will:

- Make Cardiff an exemplar green city by ensuring the resilience of ecosystems
- Identify and set out how key natural assets of the city will be protected and enhanced including:
  - Open spaces, parks and allotments
  - Enhance the access to strategically important river valleys of the Ely, Taff, Nant fawr and Rhymney

- The countryside, including strategically important 'green backdrop' formed by the ridge north of the City
- Cardiff's rich biodiversity and wildlife resource including designated sites and other features/ networks including trees and hedgerows.
- Protect and enhance the wider role that green infrastructure can play in contributing to tackling climate change and providing healthy environments
- Ensure natural resources are protected including mineral and sand/gravel resources and reserves.

## Objective 11. Protect and enhance Cardiff's historic and cultural assets together with supporting sustainable tourism and cultural sectors. The Plan will:

- Identify and set out how key historic and cultural assets of the city will be protected and enhanced including:
  - The city's Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, Ancient Monuments, Registered Historic Landscapes and areas of archaeological importance
  - Other non-designated features which make important contributions to Cardiff's historic and cultural distinctiveness
- Develop a joined up plan to enhance and improve the city centre and local centres.
- Maximise Cardiff's role as an international tourism destination and host city of major events
- Set out how Cardiff's night time economy and music scene can form part of a vibrant and diverse city centre
- Set out how the Welsh Language can be protected and enhanced in line with relevant legislation.

APPENDIX 2
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Integrated Sustainability Appraisal of the Cardiff Replacement Local Development Plan: Updated Scoping Report

August 2021

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# 1. The Replacement Local Development Plan (RLDP) and Integrated Sustainability Appraisal (ISA)

This updated scoping report is part of the Integrated Sustainability Appraisal (ISA) for Cardiff's emerging Replacement Local Development Plan (RLDP). This section first discusses the RLDP and then the ISA process.

#### 1.1 Cardiff Replacement Local Development Plan (Task A1)

Cardiff is the capital of Wales and its largest city, with a population of about 367,000. It is the main commercial centre of Wales, the seat of the Welsh Government, home to many national cultural institutions, and a popular tourist destination. Figure 1.1 shows Cardiff Council, which is the area covered by the Cardiff RLDP.



Figure 1.1 Cardiff and surrounding counties

The existing Cardiff LDP was adopted in 2016, and covers the time period 2006 - 2026. To ensure that LDPs are kept up-to-date, local planning authorities are required to start a full review of their plans at least once every four years following plan adoption. The following timescale is expected for the RLDP:

Launch of RLDP	May 2021
Preparation of Strategic Options	June – October 2021
Engagement on Strategic options	November 2021 – February 2022
Preparation of Preferred Strategy	March 2022 – August 2022
Consultation on Preferred Strategy	October – November 2022
Preparation of Deposit Plan	November 2022 – August 2023
Consultation on Deposit Plan	October – November 2023
Submission of RLDP for examination	March 2024

#### 1.2 Integrated sustainability appraisal

The purpose of integrated sustainability appraisal (ISA) is to identify the likely significant economic, social, environmental and cultural effects of the emerging RLDP, and to suggest measures to minimise any negative effects and maximise the positive ones. ISA helps to foster a more inclusive and transparent process of producing a Local Development Plan, and to ensure that the plan is integrated with other policies.

Sections 2 - 5 of the Well-being of Future Generations Act 2015<sup>1</sup> place a duty on all public bodies to carry out sustainable development and work in accordance with the sustainable development principle. Section 39 of the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act<sup>2</sup> requires that the body producing a LDP must contribute to achieving sustainable development; and Section 19(5) requires local planning authorities to appraise the sustainability of their plans.

#### This ISA covers:

- Sustainability appraisal / strategic environmental assessment (SA/SEA) as required under the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes (Wales) Regulations 2004<sup>3</sup> ('SEA regulations') and the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 – Table 1.1 shows the reporting requirements for SA/SEA and how this report fulfils them;
- Equalities assessment as require by the Equalities Act;
- Welsh language. Bilingual Cardiff are undertaking a Welsh Language Impact Assessment of the RLDP, and this ISA will use key findings from that assessment; and
- Health Impact Assessment<sup>4</sup>.

It also refers to the **Habitats Regulations Assessment** required under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017.

The stages of ISA are:

- A. Scoping
- B. Assessment of alternatives
- C. Assessment of the Deposit Plan and preparation of the Sustainability Report
- D. Consultation, examination and adoption of the plan
- E. Monitoring.

In turn, the scoping stage (Stage A) – which this report covers - is divided into:

- A1. Outline the contents and main objectives of the plan
- A2. Identify and review other relevant plans, programmes and sustainability objectives that will inform the plan
- A3. Collect baseline information on the current and likely future social, economic, cultural well-being and environmental conditions at the relevant spatial scale for the plan
- A4. Identify sustainability issues and problems which are relevant to the plan
- A5. Develop ISA framework against which the plan can be appraised
- A6. Prepare and consult on the ISA scoping report<sup>5</sup>.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://futuregenerations.wales/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/WFGAct-English.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2004/5/contents

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> http://www.legislation.gov.uk/wsi/2004/1656/contents/made. Also the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes and the Environmental Impact Assessment (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) (EU Exist) Regulations 2019, http://www.legislation.gov.uk/wsi/2019/245/regulation/2/made.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> This integrated approach to appraisal is consistent with advice in the Development Plans Manual Edition 3 consultation draft, https://gov.wales/draft-development-plans-manual-edition-3

**Table 1.1 Sustainability report requirements** 

Requirement under the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes (Wales) Regulations 2004	Where covered in this scoping report
1. An outline of the contents and main objectives of the plan or programme,	Chapter 1 discusses plan area and timescale. Contents and main objectives are not yet available.
and of its relationship (if any) with other relevant plans and programmes.	Chapter 2
2. The relevant aspects of the current state of the environment and the likely evolution thereof without implementation of the plan or programme.	Chapter 3
3. The environmental characteristics of areas likely to be significantly affected.	Areas likely to be significantly affected by the plan are not yet known
4. Any existing environmental problems which are relevant to the plan or programme including, in particular, those relating to any areas of a particular environmental importance, such as areas designated pursuant to Council Directive 79/409/EEC on the conservation of wild birds and the Habitats Directive.	Chapter 4
5. The environmental protection objectives, established at international, Community or Member State level, which are relevant to the plan or programme	Chapter 2
and the way those objectives and any environmental considerations have been taken into account during its preparation.	Chapter 5 proposes ISA objectives
<ul> <li>6. The likely significant effects on the environment, including short, medium and long-term effects, permanent and temporary effects, positive and negative effects, and secondary, cumulative and synergistic effects, on issues including (a) biodiversity; (b) population; (c) human health; (d) fauna; (e) flora; (f) soil; (g) water; (h) air; (i) climatic factors; (j) material assets; (k) cultural heritage, including architectural and archaeological heritage; (l) landscape; and (m) the inter-relationship between the issues referred to in sub-paragraphs (a) to (l).</li> <li>7. The measures envisaged to prevent, reduce and as fully as possible offset any significant adverse effects on the environment of implementing the plan or programme.</li> <li>8. An outline of the reasons for selecting the alternatives dealt with, and a description of how the assessment was undertaken including any difficulties encountered in compiling the required information.</li> <li>9. A description of the measures envisaged concerning monitoring in</li> </ul>	Not yet available – will be covered by subsequent stages of the ISA.
accordance with regulation 17.  10. A non-technical summary of the information provided under paragraphs 1 to 9.	

Figure 1.2, from the Welsh Government's Development Plans Manual, shows how the ISA stages fit with the stages of plan-making.

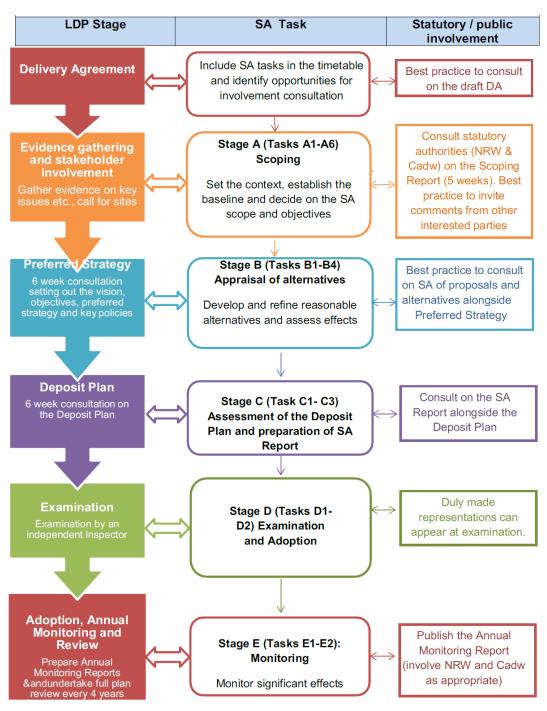


Figure 1.2 Links between RLDP stages and ISA stages<sup>6</sup>

Cardiff Council consulted on a first scoping report for eight weeks, from March 2021. Comments were received from both statutory consultees (NRW and CADW) and seven additional consultees. Table 1.2 summarises the consultees' main comments and how they have been integrated into this updated scoping report.

 $^6\ https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2020-03/development-plans-manual-edition-3-march-2020.pdf$ 

Table 2.1 Main consultation comments and changes made to scoping report in response.

Main comments	Responses to the comments
The two halves of Figure 2.4 are not aligned	Now aligned
Need to include 'COVID-19 Reconstruction' and	Done
the Welsh Government's declaration of a nature	
emergency in the policy context; also refer to the	
draft post-pandemic city recovery plan 'Greener,	
Fairer, Stronger'	
Sec. 3.2 should stress the links between air quality	Reference made to the 2016 report 'Estimating
and 1. climate change, 2. health, and 3.	the mortality burden of air pollution in Wales';
ecosystems. Also other pollutants than NO <sub>2</sub> have	and to particulates.
negative impacts.	and to particulatesi
Walking and cycling near roads could have	ISA framework (Table 5.1) changed to specify that
negative health impacts	active travel routes should avoid areas of poor air
negative nearth impacts	quality
Sec. 3.2 should refer to the Clean Air Plan for	Sec. 3.2 now refers to the Clean Air Plan for Wales,
Wales	Clean Air Zone Framework for Wales, and Cardiff
vvales	outline bid for air quality improvement funding.
Sec. 3.3 There should be more information on	Information on biodiversity will be included
biodiversity in Cardiff	if/when it becomes available.
Sec. 3.3 should make more reference to NRW's	A page on the main findings of the SSNRR has
Second State of Natural Resources Report	been included at Sec. 3.3
In Figure 3.3.1, the sea should be shown as blue	It is shown in green to represent its status as a
not green	Special Area of Conservation
Air pollution is a threat to biodiversity	Noted at Sec. 3.3
Sec. 3.4 should explain what is meant by 'carbon	Footnote added to explain this
neutrality'	Toothote added to explain this
Sec. 3.5 should not describe Victorian and	Renamed 'areas'
Edwardian neighbourhoods as 'suburbs'	Renamed areas
Sec. 3.5 should discuss non-designated historic	Done
assets listed in the Historic Environment Record	Bone
Sec. 3.8 should clarify that many brownfield sites	Included in the opening paragraph to Sec. 3.8
provide biodiversity and recreational amenity	moduce in the opening paragraph to see. s.e
Sec. 3.9 should clarify that the rivers in Cardiff are	Amended Sec. 3.9 to include.
highly modified and as a result there are increased	7 illicitada sesi sis to illicitade.
risks to flooding and reduced biodiversity.	
Sec. 3.9 should clarify that the Gwent Levels are	Amended Sec. 3.9 to include.
SSSI and Historic Landscape, important for	
biodiversity and ecosystem resilience.	
Figure 3.9.2 implies incorrectly that all of the public	Figure 3.9.2 shows all open space in Cardiff
space in the figure is publicly accessible.	(including space that is not publicly accessible).
Sec. 3.10 should refer to the Welsh government's	Amended Sec. 3.10 to include.
March 2021 'Beyond Recycling' and moratorium	, and ded see size to module.
on large-scale energy from waste plants	
Sec. 3.11 should discuss the wider implications of	Done in the introductory section of Sec. 3.11
water quality, e.g. on amenity, wellbeing and the	2 5 5 the state of a section of sectio
economy	
The ISA framework should include reference to the	Already done at ISA objective 10
regenerative economy	7 cady done de lort objective 10
Need better links between baseline data and the	ISA framework (Table 5.1) amended to include
ISA topics	reference to the circular economy, carbon
10/1 copies	reference to the chedial economy, carbon

Main comments	Responses to the comments
	neutrality, biodiversity net gain etc.
Reference should be made to NRW's South Central	Reference added in Sections 3.2 (air), 3.3
Wales Area Statement	(biodiversity), and 3.7 (health/wellbeing)
Sec. 3.10 needs better data on waste from	Information on this will be included if/when it
construction, demolition, industrial and	becomes available.
commercial waste	
Sec. 3.11 should discuss Water Framework	This was already discussed at Sec. 3.11.
Directive status and reasons why water quality is	
bad to moderate	
At Table 4.1, water quality should be highlighted as	Done
blue	
The ISA framework (Table 5.1) should include	Done
green recovery; and should refer to remediation of	
unstable land as well as contaminated land	
Green spaces should be protected	One of the sub-objectives of ISA objective 7 has
	been reworded to "Protect, and improve access
	to, open space"
There should be at least one indicator per sub-	Data/indicators are not available for all sub-
objective, and the positive direction of travel	objectives (e.g. access to community facilities).
should be clarified	Where data/indicators are not available, these
Should be duffled	have been highlighted in the introduction to Sec.
	5. The wished-for direction of change has been
	added to the indicators in Table 5.1.
At Table 5.2, a proposed development site should	Table 5.2 has not been changed. A separate
be ++ for SAC/SPA/Ramsar sites only if it is >5km	Habitat Regulations Assessment will assess
from the SAC/SPA/Ramsar site.	impacts on SAC/SPA/Ramsar sites. The main role
Hom the SAC/SFA/Namsai site.	of the ISA framework is to flag up possible
	problems, and Table 5.2 does this.
Table 5.2 is based only on the location and	Much of the impact of development relates to the
characteristics of the site, not the mitigation	site location and characteristics. Proposed
offered by development on the site. This generally	developments can change significantly over time,
disadvantages larger sites.	making it difficult to be clear about what
disadvantages larger sites.	mitigation to include; and different amount of
	information will exist about proposed develop-
	ment at different sites.
	Statement added that Tables 5.1 and 5.2 will
	inform, but not make, decisions about what sites
	to take forward.
Table 5.2 should refer to provision of housing and	Done
employment land, on par with reference to	
community facilities	
Table 5.2 should be clearer about the reasons for	Table 5.2 is based on other similar ISAs, which in
the cut-offs between e.g. ++ and +, + and – etc.	turn refer to e.g. the Chartered Institute of
Cut-offs for walking should be different to those	Highways and Transportation, distances used in
for cycling.	Habitat Regulations Assessments etc. This is now
	mentioned in the introduction to the table. The
	site appraisal forms will include the actual
	distance, so that a more detailed analysis can be
	made of walking v. cycling accessibility.

#### **Difficulties encountered**

A first draft of this report was prepared in Spring 2020 but publication was held back due to the coronavirus pandemic. Many aspects of annual monitoring, for instance air quality, employment land take-up and life expectancy, have not been carried out during the pandemic. The pandemic has changed many aspects of life in the UK, including how we work, travel and educate our children: not all of this information was available by the time this updated scoping report was prepared. Brexit will also have many effects that are not yet understood.

Data are not available for many aspects of sustainability, for instance most aspects of biodiversity and waste management. This is discussed further at the end of Section 5.

# 2 Policy context (Task A2)

The SEA Directive requires a description of "[the plan's] relationship with other plans or programmes" and "The environmental protection objectives, established at international, Community or national level, which are relevant to the plan or programme and the way those objectives and any environmental considerations have been taken into account during its preparation" (Annex Ia and e)

The emerging Replacement Local Development Plan is informed and shaped by many national and international plans and policies related to sustainability and environmental protection. This chapter discusses the key plans and policies affecting the RLDP.

#### Acronyms used below:

RLDP Replacement Local Development Plan
NDF National Development Framework

NRW Natural Resources Wales SDP Strategic Development Plan

#### 2.1 National context

The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 aims to ensure that sustainable development is at the heart of government and public bodies. It has seven Well-being Goals and promotes five Ways of Working (Figure 2.1) It provides the legislative framework for the preparation of Local Wellbeing Plans which will replace Single Integrated Plans. Given that sustainable development is the core underlying principle of the Local Development Plans and Integrated Sustainability Appraisals, there are clear associations between the aspirations of both the RLDP and Act/Local Well-being Plans. This is discussed further at Chapter 5.

The **Planning (Wales) Act 2015** aims to reform the planning system in Wales, to ensure that it is fair, resilient and enables development. The Act notes that LDPs must



Figure 2.1 Well-being of Future Generations (Wales)
Act 2015 Well-being Goals and Ways of Working<sup>7</sup>

promote sustainable development in accordance with the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015, "for the purpose of ensuring that the development and use of land contribute to improving the economic, social, environmental and cultural wellbeing of Wales". The Act requires the development of a National Development Framework (NDF) and regional-level Strategic Development Plans (SDPs), and requires LDPs to be in general conformity with any NDF or SDP that

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> https://futuregenerations.wales/about-us/future-generations-act/

includes the local authority area. In late 2020, consultation was carried out on the establishment of Corporate Joint Committees that can prepare SDPs<sup>8</sup>, and on the preparation of SDPs<sup>9</sup>.

The **National Development Framework** is a new 20 year national spatial strategy. The draft NDF of September 2020 sets out the Welsh Government's policies on development and land use in a spatial context, and will be known as 'Future Wales: the national plan 2040'. It supports decarbonisation and the delivery of renewable energy; provision of housing in the right places; healthier places; strengthened ecosystems and enhanced biodiversity; and an economy the delivers prosperity for all. It identifies Cardiff, Newport and the Valleys as a national growth area. Policy 33 of the draft NDF supports Cardiff's status as an internationally competitive city and a core city on the UK stage. It expects Cardiff to retain and extend its role as the primary national centre for culture, sport, leisure, media, the night time economy and finance. In Policy 34, the Welsh Government requires the Strategic Development Plan to identify a green belt to the north of Cardiff, Newport and the eastern part of the region<sup>10</sup>. The draft NDF has been laid at the Senedd for scrutiny, and its publication is expected in 2021. The Cardiff Capital Region's SDP is discussed further at Section 2.2.

In December 2018, the Welsh Government issued **Planning Policy Wales** (Edition 10)<sup>11</sup> which integrates the seven Wellbeing Goals and five Ways of Working of the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act 2015. It also puts the concept of placemaking into the heart of national planning policy. Figure 2.2 summarises the placemaking outcomes sought by Planning Policy Wales.

The July 2021 guidance document "Building Better Places" sets out the Welsh Government's planning policy priorities to assist in taking action in the recovery period after the coronavirus pandemic. It identifies eight issues:



Figure 2.2 Planning Policy Wales national sustainable placemaking outcomes

1. Staying local: enabling people to live in well-located and well-designed energy efficient homes, delivery of new affordable homes, local food production and supply chains, creation of accessible and attractive neighbourhoods

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> https://gov.wales/regulations-establish-corporate-joint-committees

<sup>9</sup> https://gov.wales/establishing-town-and-country-planning-strategic-development-plan-wales-regulations-2021

 $<sup>^{10} \</sup> https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2020-11/working-draft-national-development-framework-document-september-2020.pdf$ 

<sup>11</sup> https://gov.wales/planning-policy-wales

- 2. Active travel: reducing the need to travel, continued shift to sustainable and active travel modes
- 3. Revitalising our town centres: new flexible approaches to retail and commercial centres, reassessment of the role and function of established shopping areas, planning for the use of open spaces in town centres, consideration of a wider range of uses in town centres
- 4. Digital places: improvements to digital connectivity
- 5. Changing working practices: re-examination of economic forecasts and employment allocations, support for flexible workplaces
- 6. Reawakening Wales' tourism and cultural sectors, noting the need for social distancing and support for associated industries
- 7. Green infrastructure, health and well-being and ecological resilience: enabling and providing green infrastructure
- 8. Improving air quality and soundscapes for better health and well-being

In October 2020, the Welsh Government published "COVID-19 Reconstruction: Challenges and Priorities" <sup>12</sup>. This aims to plan ahead and support a green recovery, taking into account the collective response to the pandemic and the need to counter climate change and the economic damage caused by Brexit. Priorities include reducing unemployment; ensuring that young people do not lose out educationally or economically; increasing the construction of council and social housing; investing in town centres; pursuing a strong decarbonisation agenda; minimising the need to travel and improving public transport; building the resilience of the Welsh economy, and supporting the NHS.

The **Environment (Wales) Act 2016** helps to ensure that managing Wales' natural resources sustainably is a core consideration in decision-making. It requires Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to prepare a State of Natural Resources Report; the Welsh Government to produce a National Natural Resources Policy that sets out the priorities, risks and opportunities for managing Wales' natural resources sustainably; and NRW to produce Area Statements to help implement the National Natural Resources Policy.

The **National Natural Resources Policy 2017**<sup>13</sup> sets out three priorities:

- Delivering nature-based solutions, including development of resilient ecological networks, supporting climate change adaptation and mitigation, improving green infrastructure and water treatment systems, and improving land and water management;
- Increasing renewable energy and resource efficiency, including development of a circular economy;
- Taking a place-based approach: collaborative working to deliver better results at a local level.

The **Historic Environment (Wales) Act 2016** made important changes to the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979 and the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990. The Act now gives more effective protection to listed buildings and scheduled ancient monuments; improves the sustainable management of the historic environment; and introduces greater transparency and accountability into decisions taken on the historic environment.

The **Public Health (Wales) Act 2017** aims to improve health and prevent avoidable harm to health. It requires the production of a national strategy on preventing and reducing obesity and for key decisions to be subject to Health Impact Assessment.

The Welsh Government declared a **climate emergency** in April 2019<sup>14</sup>. In May 2019 the UK government announced a 'net zero' target by 2050. Initially, the Committee on Climate Change had

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<sup>12</sup> https://gov.wales/coronavirus-reconstruction-challenges-and-priorities

<sup>13</sup> www.hwa.uk.com/site/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/POL 22-Welsh-Government-2017-Natural-Resources-Policy.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> https://gov.wales/welsh-government-makes-climate-emergency-declaration

suggested that Wales can only reach a 95% reduction because of the importance of agriculture to its rural communities<sup>15</sup>, but in December 2020 it urged Wales to achieve net zero<sup>16</sup>. This should be achieved by taking up low-carbon solutions, expanding low-carbon energy supplies, reducing demand for high-carbon activities and transforming land from farmland to woodland and bioenergy production.

**Prosperity for All: A Low Carbon Wales**, published in March 2019, sets out the Welsh Government's commitments to climate change mitigation. These include different measures for different sectors: power (e.g. increased local ownership of energy generation), buildings (e.g. review of building standards), transport (e.g. increasing travel by walking, cycling and public transport) etc. However in December 2020 the National Assembly for Wales' Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee noted that Wales is not currently on track for an 80% reduction in greenhouse gases, let alone net zero<sup>17</sup>.

The climate change adaptation plan for Wales, **Prosperity for All: A Climate Conscious Wales** was published in November 2019. It sets out actions for 2020-2025 which include flood protection; protection of water supplies from drought and low flows; tackling land management practices that increase flood risk; and reducing risks to ecosystem and agriculture from climate change.

The Welsh Government also declared a **nature emergency** in June 2021<sup>18</sup>. This puts nature on par with climate change in terms of urgency and significance. Improving nature can help to tackle climate change and provide other benefits such as flood prevention, clean water and improved health and wellbeing.

#### 2.2 Regional context

The Cardiff Capital Region (CCR) comprises ten local authorities including Cardiff. In 2016, the Cardiff Capital Region agreed a £1.2 billion **City Deal** with the UK Government and Welsh Government, which aims to deliver up to 25,000 new jobs and leverage an additional £4 billion of private sector investment. In particular, the region aims to support investment in areas that increase the region's economic output and reduce its worklessness, with a focus on connectivity, digital, innovation, and skills and worklessness<sup>19</sup>. In 2018, the CCR Cabinet agreed in principle to commit £40 million to support the proposed £180 million Metro Central Development, which would deliver a new central transport interchange in Cardiff's core employment zone<sup>20</sup>.

The CCR is also in the process of preparing a **Strategic Development Plan** (SDP), which will address cross-boundary issues at a regional level such as housing, employment and waste and which must be in general conformity with the NDF. The SDP is expected to be operational by mid-2022; cover approximately 20 years; and cover larger-than-local issues such as housing numbers, strategic housing allocations, strategic employment sites, strategic green infrastructure routes and supporting transport infrastructure<sup>21</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> https://gov.wales/wales-accepts-committee-climate-change-95-emissions-reduction-target

 $<sup>^{16}</sup>$  www.theccc.org.uk/2020/12/17/net-zero-wales-by-2050-wales-faces-a-decisive-decade-to-get-on-track-to-anemissions-free-future/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> https://www.theccc.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Progress-Report-Reducing-emissions-in-Wales.pdf

<sup>18</sup> https://www.wtwales.org/news/welsh-government-declare-nature-emergency

 $<sup>^{19}\</sup> www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/508268/Cardiff\_Capital\_Region\_City\_Deal.pdf$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> www.cardiffcapitalregion.wales/investment/

 $<sup>^{21}\</sup> https://gov.wales/establishing-town-and-country-planning-strategic-development-plan-wales-regulations-2021$ 

Natural Resources Wales have prepared an Area Statement for the South Central Wales Area, which covers Cardiff as well as Merthyr Tydfil, Rhondda Cynon Taf, Bridgend, and Vale of Glamorgan – see Figure 2.3. Building resilient ecosystems and connecting people with nature represent the cornerstones of the area statement, underpinning NRW's approach to addressing the challenges of water, health and air quality.<sup>22</sup>

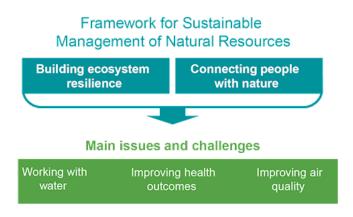


Figure 2.3 Natural Resources Wales Area Statement for the South Wales Central Area

#### 2.3 Local context

The **Capital Ambition Report** of 2017 sets out the Council's five-year plan for the city. It outlines the Council's vision for Cardiff to become a leading city on the world stage. The plan focuses on four main areas:

- Working for Cardiff Making sure everyone who lives and works here can contribute to, and benefit from, the city's success.
- Working for Wales A successful Wales needs a successful capital city.
- Working for the future Managing the city's growth in a sustainable way.
- Working for public services Making sure public services are delivered efficiently, effectively and sustainably in the face of rising demands and reduced budgets.

Cardiff's **Transport White Paper: Transport Vision to 2030**<sup>23</sup> of January 2020 aims to tackle the climate emergency, reduce congestion and improve air quality. It proposes projects to significantly improve public transport in Cardiff and the region, including expanding current Metro plans to deliver more new tram/train routes and stations (Figure 2.4); introducing new bus rapid transit services and Park & Ride sites; lowering bus fares; delivering safer walking and cycling routes; and travel options designed to get people out of their cars.

Cardiff Council declared a **climate emergency** in March 2019. In October 2020, the council published a draft of One Planet Cardiff<sup>24</sup>, a vision of how Cardiff can be a carbon-neutral city by 2030. This includes large-scale retrofits of buildings, development of low-cost efficient energy generation, support of ultralow emission vehicles, increased tree coverage and low carbon food. Section 3.4 discusses this further.

Cardiff's May 2021 draft plan for post-pandemic city recovery and renewal strategy, **Greener, Fairer, Stronger**<sup>25</sup>, reiterates the importance of responding to a change to more home-working and less inperson retail, and for Cardiff to remain healthy and uplifiting through public space and parks. It promotes six 'missions': reimagining the city centre, a city for everyone, a city of villages, culture and sport-led renewable, Tech City, and One Planet Recovery.

 $<sup>{}^{22}</sup>https://natural resources.wales/about-us/area-statements/south-central-wales-area-statement/introduction-to-south-central-area-statement/?lang=en\\$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Parking-roads-and-travel/transport-policies-plans/transport-white-paper/Documents/White%20Paper%20for%20Cardiff%20Transport%202019.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> www.oneplanetcardiff.co.uk

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https://cardiff.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s48486/Cabinet%2020%20May%202021%20Recovery%20Greener%20Fairer%20Economy%20App%201.pdf

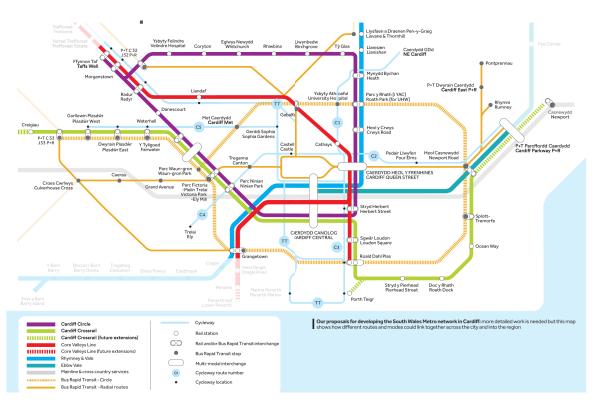


Figure 2.4 Cardiff Crossrail and Cardiff Circle proposals

# 3 Sustainability context (Task A3)

The SEA Directive requires a description of "the relevant aspects of the current state of the environment and the likely evolution thereof without implementation of the plan or programme" (Annex Ib) and "the environmental characteristics of the areas likely to be affected" (Annex Ic).

This chapter sets out the main environmental, social, cultural and economic issues that affect, or are likely to affect, Cardiff over the life of the Replacement Local Development Plan:

- 3.1 Access, equality and population
- 3.2 Air quality
- 3.3 Biodiversity, flora and fauna
- 3.4 Climate change
- 3.5 Cultural heritage and the historic environment, including the Welsh language
- 3.6 Economy
- 3.7 Health and wellbeing
- 3.8 Land, soil and minerals
- 3.9 Landscape and open space
- 3.10 Waste
- 3.11 Water and flooding

In each case, the current status is first discussed, and then the likely future situation without the plan. Table 3.1 shows how these topics cover the requirements of strategic environmental assessment, equalities impact assessment, health impact assessment, and Welsh language impact assessment. Other ways of structuring the report were considered, notably Gibson's sustainability principles<sup>26</sup>, the Stockholm Institute's resilience principles<sup>27</sup> and the Wales Well-being Goals (Figure 2.1). However they were generally less easy to understand and use, and did not fulfil the ISA requirements as clearly.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Gibson, R.B. (2006) Sustainability assessment: basic components of a practical approach, Impact Assessment and Project Appraisal 24(3), 170-182.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> https://www.stockholmresilience.org/research/research-news/2015-02-19-applying-resilience-thinking.html

Assessment process requirement	ISA section		
Strategic environmental assessment			
Biodiversity	3.3		
Population	3.1		
Human health	3.7		
Fauna	3.3		
• Flora	3.3		
• Soil	3.8		
Water	3.11		
• Air	3.2		
Climatic factors	3.4, 3.11		
Material assets	3.1, 3.6, 3.10		
<ul> <li>Cultural heritage, including architectural and archaeological heritage</li> </ul>	3.5, 3.12		
Landscape	3.9		
<ul> <li>Inter-relation between the above issues</li> </ul>	3.1, 3.2, 3.4, 3.6,		
	3.7, 3.8, 3.10, 3.11		
Equalities impact assessment (health, housing, environment etc.)	3.1, 3.6, 3.7		
Health impact assessment (health, air/water quality, access to green space etc.)	3.7, 3.1, 3.2, 3.6,		
	3.9, 3.11		
Welsh language impact assessment	3.5		

Table 3.1 ISA topics v. requirements of assessment processes

## 3.1 Access, equality and population

#### Introduction

Cardiff's population has grown rapidly over the last 30 years, and this rapid growth is expected to continue. Cardiff has also been experiencing strong economic growth and increasing levels of prosperity, but this prosperity has not been evenly distributed, affecting equality and wellbeing. There are considerable variations within and between localities, with people in some parts of Cardiff experiencing deprivation that is amongst the worst in Wales.

#### **Population**

In 2019, Cardiff's population was 366,900, up from 345,400 in 2011; 310,000 in 2001; and 297,000 in 1991 (Figure 3.1.1)<sup>28</sup>. This represents a growth rate of between 0.5% and 1% per year. Cardiff is one of the fastest-growing cities in the UK, and is growing faster than any other Welsh local authority<sup>29</sup>. Much of this growth has been through inmigration from other countries. In contrast, there has been less net outmigration of Cardiff residents to other parts of the UK.<sup>30</sup>

Cardiff's average household size has consistently decreased, from 2.5 person per household in 1991 to 2.29 persons in 2019<sup>31</sup>. Its current average household size is slightly higher than that for Wales (2.26) but lower than the UK average of 2.4. Household size is falling because of an increase in single households, including lone parents and single older persons. In 2011, 33% of Cardiff's households were one-person households, up from 31% in 2006.

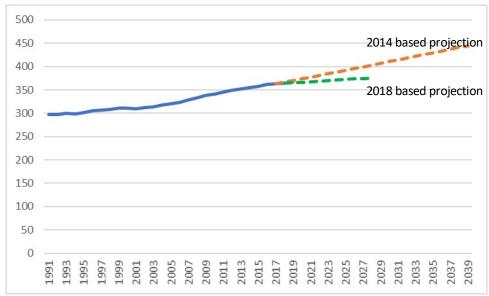


Figure 3.1.1 Cardiff's population 1991-2018, and population projections<sup>32</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Population-and-Migration/Population/Estimates/Local-Authority/populationestimates-by-localauthority-year

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> https://www.cardiffpartnership.co.uk/well-being-assessment/cardiff-today/rapidly-growing-city/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Population-and-Migration/Migration/International/migrationflowsofpeoplebetweenwalesandtherestoftheworldnon-uk-by-flow-year; https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Population-and-Migration/Migration/Internal/migrationbetweenwalesandrestofuk-by-localauthority-flow-periodofchange

<sup>31</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Housing/Households/Estimates/averagehouseholdsize-by-localauthority-year

<sup>32</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Population-and-Migration/Population/Projections/Local-Authority/2014-based/populationprojections-by-localauthority-year; https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/statistics-and-research/2020-08/subnational-population-projections-2018-based-280.pdf

#### Cardiff has a high proportion of young adults

Cardiff has a noticeably large proportion of young people compared to the England and Wales average: 21% of its population in 2018 was aged 18-27, compared to the England & Wales average of 13% (Figure 3.1.2)<sup>33</sup>. This is due in large part to its student population which currently comprises more than 13% of the city's residents, up from less than 10% in 2000<sup>34</sup>.

# Ethnic groups as a proportion of Cardiff's population are much higher than for Wales as a whole

18.5% of Cardiff's population is Black, Asian and minority ethnic (BAME). This is much higher than the Welsh average of 5.4%, and by far the highest of the Welsh local authorities. It is also higher than the average for England and Wales which is 14%. Census data indicates that a high percentage of those from BAME backgrounds live in the poorest inner-city areas – including Grangetown, Butetown, Riverside and Adamstown - although this is changing.<sup>35</sup>

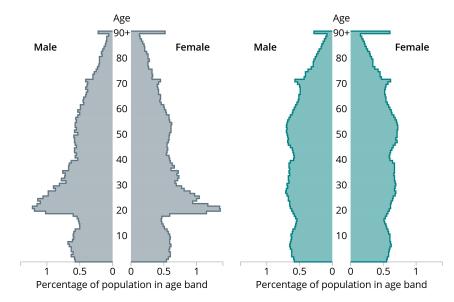


Figure 3.1.2 Age pyramid for Cardiff (grey) v England & Wales (green), 2018

#### Significant amounts of housing are required to house the increasing population

Table 3.1.1 shows the Local Plan targets for net general market dwellings, and the dwellings actually built. The number of dwellings built was initially significantly lower than the target: this was due to a 'delivery lag' following the adoption of the plan, and the rate of construction is expected to increase<sup>36</sup>. The rate of completions has accelerated in the past year, with all the large strategic plan sites starting to be built out.

Time period	Local Plan target	Dwellings built
2014 – 2016	2495	866
2016 – 2018	4096	1183
2018 – 2020	4153	1135 in 2018/19
2020 – 2022	4042	
2022 – 2024	4010	
2024 - 2026	3759	

Table 3.1.1 Housing targets and delivery

 $<sup>^{33}\</sup> https://www.ons.gov.uk/people population and community/population and migration/population estimates/articles/ukpopulation pyramid interactive/2020-01-08$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Education-and-Skills/Post-16-Education-and-Training/Higher-Education/Students/Enrolments-at-Welsh-HEIs/enrolmentsduringtheyear-by-institution-level-modeofstudy

<sup>35</sup> http://hummedia.manchester.ac.uk/institutes/code/briefings/localdynamicsofdiversity/geographies-of-diversity-in-cardiff.pdf

 $<sup>^{36}\</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Planning/Local-Development-Plan/Annual-Monitoring-Report/Documents/Cardiff%20LDP%203rd%20AMR%20English%20Version%20Final.pdf$ 

# Cardiff contains some of the most deprived areas in Wales - geographically there is a concentration of deprivation in the 'southern arc' although 'hotspots' exist elsewhere

The Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation (WIMD) is a measure of the relative levels of deprivation in local areas. In the most recent WIMD 2019, 9% (or 18 out of 191) of the 10% most deprived areas in Wales were in Cardiff. This is lower than Newport (12.6%) and Merthyr Tydfil (11.5%) and on par with Rhondda Cynon Taff, but higher than all other Welsh local authorities<sup>37</sup>. It is significantly better than the situation in 2010, where Cardiff had 40 out of 190 of the 10% most deprived areas in Wales, but this reflects other areas of Wales getting worse: relative poverty within areas of Cardiff remains high.

Deprivation is concentrated mainly in the southern and eastern part of Cardiff (Figure 3.1.4), with the northern and western parts being generally the least deprived. The 'southern arc' also has a higher proportion of people receiving out-of-work benefits than other areas of Cardiff: in January 2020 the claimant rate in Adamstown, Ely and Splott stood at 6% or more, compared to less than 1% in Cyncoed, Lisvane and Rhiwbina<sup>38</sup>.

The coronavirus pandemic has doubled the proportion of people receiving benefits in Cardiff, from 3.3% in February 2020 to 6.5% in November 2020 (Figure 3.1.3). 39

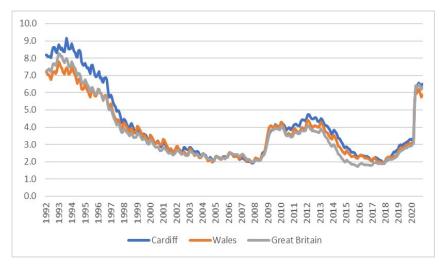


Figure 3.1.3 Out-of-work benefit claimants (%): doubling since the coronavirus pandemic

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Community-Safety-and-Social-Inclusion/Welsh-Index-of-Multiple-Deprivation/WIMD-2019/localauthorityanalysis

<sup>38</sup> www.nomisweb.co.uk

<sup>39</sup> Ibid.

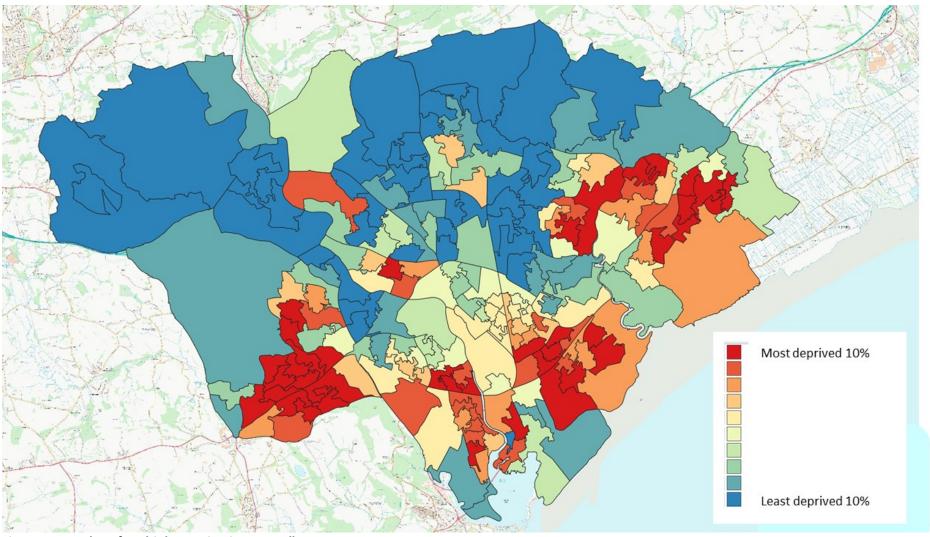


Figure 3.1.4 Index of Multiple Deprivation, overall 2019

# Fewer children are living in low-income families, but more than the Wales average

23% of dependent children aged under 20 in Cardiff are living in low-income families, more than the Wales and UK averages. There has been a gradual reduction in this since 2009, when it was 27%. Children from low-income families are more likely to be unhealthy or have poorer educational outcomes. There are large discrepancies across Cardiff in terms of children in low-income families: nearly 45% in Ely, and less than 5% in Rhiwbina (Figure 3.1.5).

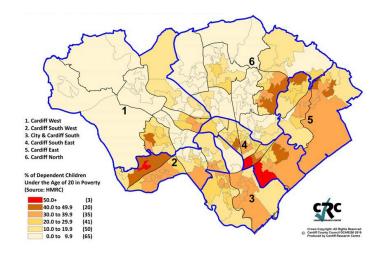


Figure 3.1.5 Children in low-income families, 2015<sup>42</sup>

# Lack of affordable housing units - particularly family housing – is excluding those on low income from entering the housing market

In October 2020 (the most recent date available at the time of writing), the average price of a house for Cardiff was £217,804, an increase of 39% from £156,284 in October 2010<sup>40</sup>. The price of detached houses has grown particularly fast. The average annual salary in 2019 was £28,660, 9% higher than the Wales average but 6% lower than the UK average<sup>41</sup>. In 2019, the ratio of house price to annual salary was 7.6, up from just under 6 in 2012, and just under the UK average (Figure 3.1.6).

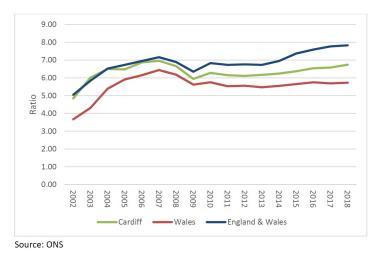


Figure 3.1.6 Housing affordability (ratio of house prices to residence-based earnings, 2002-2018<sup>43</sup>

<sup>40</sup> https://landregistry.data.gov.uk/app/ukhpi/browse?from=2010-01-01&location=http%3A%2F%2Flandregistry.data.gov.uk%2Fid%2Fregion%2Fcardiff&to=2021-01-01&lang=en

<sup>41</sup> www.nomisweb.co.uk

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> https://www.cardiffpartnership.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/Cardiff-in-2018-Final-English.pdf

<sup>43</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Your-Council/Have-your-say/Ask%20Cardiff%20Library/The%20Cardiff%20Economy%20and%20Labour%20Market Apr%2018 Mar%2019.pdf

Provision of enough affordable housing is an ongoing problem in Cardiff. In early 2021, there were approximately 8,000 applicants on the council housing register, compared to 10,491 in mid-2010. The Local Development Plan sets a target for the delivery of 6,646 affordable units to be provided between 2014 and 2026, with an interim target to provide 1,942 affordable dwellings by 2019. By 2019, 1,082 affordable units had been delivered, representing 25% of overall completions. This reflects the slower than anticipated progress in the strategic housing allocations being delivered (Table 1.1).

The quality of housing in Cardiff is variable, with housing in the south of the council being more likely to be overcrowded and without central heating than elsewhere in Cardiff (Figure 3.1.7).

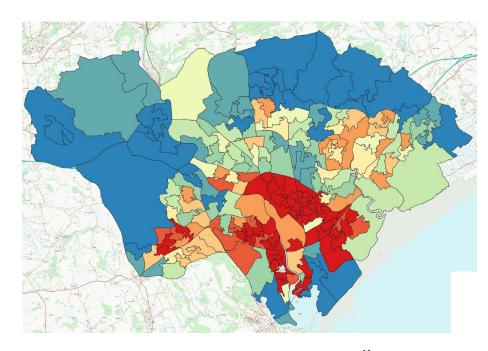


Figure 3.1.7 Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019 housing<sup>44</sup>

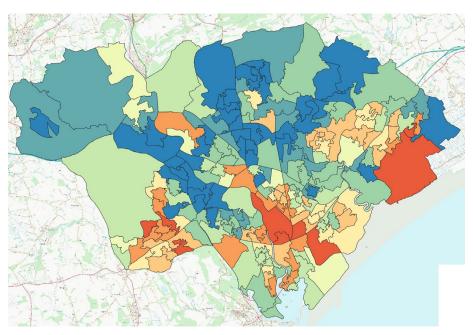


Figure 3.1.8 Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019 access to services<sup>35</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> See Figure 3.1.3 for legend

#### **Homelessness in Cardiff is rising**

People experiencing homelessness are especially vulnerable and there are a significant number of them living in Cardiff. Hostels and lodging houses are concentrated around the city centre. Cardiff also attracts a high number of young people who have left home, absconded from care, or are vulnerable in other ways. During 2017/18, Cardiff Council received 3,987 enquiries from homeless people or those at risk of homelessness, up 67% from just two years earlier. The number of homeless people in Cardiff rose from 1,274 in 2015 to 1,976 in 2018. In response to the coronavirus pandemic, Cardiff Council has found accommodation for most of the city's rough sleepers, and the Welsh Government is spending £20 million to help ensure that people do not need to return to rough sleeping.<sup>45</sup>

#### Cardiff has good access to services although deficiencies still exist at a local level

As would be expected for a compact city, the Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation indicates that Cardiff has good access to services<sup>46</sup>. Nowhere in Cardiff is in the worst 10% for Wales in terms of access (Figure 3.1.8).

#### Likely future without the plan

Figure 3.1.1 shows the 2014-based and 2018-based population projections for Cardiff. The 2014-based projections are for about 80,000 more people to live in Cardiff in 2039 compared to 2018. The 2018-based projections to 2039 are not yet available, but are significantly lower than the 2014-based projections. All of the projections were made prior to Brexit, and so may change significantly.

The proportion of Cardiff residents aged 65+ is expected to grow from 14.5% in 2019 to 17.7% in 2039. Of these, the proportion of residents aged 85+ is expected to grow from 2.2% to 3.5% of the population.<sup>47</sup> This has implications for the provision and design of those parts of the built environment that support older people's health and social connections, for instance warm homes, intergenerational spaces in homes, good transport links, green spaces and community centres.

The current Local Development Plan provides for a large amount of new housing, notably in six strategic development sites. Planning and, in some cases, construction is progressing on all of these sites. There has been a trend of decreasing deprivation in Cardiff, which could continue with increasing employment, housing and access to green spaces and walking/cycling routes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> https://gov.wales/welsh-government-announce-new-20-million-fund-transform-homelessness-services

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> The access to services index relates to the average time it would take to access 8 key services (food shop, GP surgery, primary school, post office, public library, leisure centre, NHS dentist, secondary school, and a transport node)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> https://cavuhb.nhs.wales/files/key-publications/dph-report-2020-pdf/

## 3.2 Air quality

#### Introduction

Air pollution is the largest environmental risk to health. It is linked to climate change and affects many plants and sensitive ecosystems. Public Health Wales estimates that nitrogen dioxide ( $NO_2$ ) pollution leads to about 220 deaths per year in the Cardiff and Vale Health Board area, and particulates ( $PM_{2.5}$ ) about 225 deaths <sup>48</sup>. Average air pollution concentrations are highest in the most deprived areas where levels of chronic ill health tend to be highest, so there is an equality component to air pollution <sup>49</sup>. Poor air quality also has negative effects on vegetation and ecosystems.

Cardiff Council periodically reviews and assesses air quality for compliance with objectives of the Air Quality (Wales) Regulations 2000. The 2019 Annual Air Quality Progress Report<sup>50</sup> concludes that there were no exceedances of legal limits for benzene, carbon monoxide or sulphur dioxide in 2018, but there were

exceedances of nitrogen dioxide, ozone and particulates. There was no 2020 progress report; however the Welsh Government's Clean Air Advisory Panel found that, during the first coronavirus lockdown,  $NO_x$  levels in urban areas fell on average by 30-40%, whilst ozone levels increased and levels of particulates (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) stayed roughly the same.<sup>51</sup>

#### Nitrogen dioxide is the main cause of air pollution 'hot spots' in Cardiff

Levels of nitrogen dioxide ( $NO_2$ ) vary throughout the city, but are broadly highest in the city centre and lowest on the edges of Cardiff, notably in the Wentloog Levels (Figure 3.2.1). Vehicles and wood burning stoves area also the main generators of particulates ( $PM_{2.5}$ ).

Cardiff has four Air Quality Management Areas (AQMAs), all designated because air quality in those areas exceeds the legal  $NO_2$  threshold of  $40\mu g/m^3$ .  $NO_2$  is primarily caused by road traffic. Four AQMAs were originally declared: Newport Road, Philog and Cardiff West in 2000, and St Mary Street in 2002. The first two were revoked in 2007, and the area of the Cardiff West AQMA

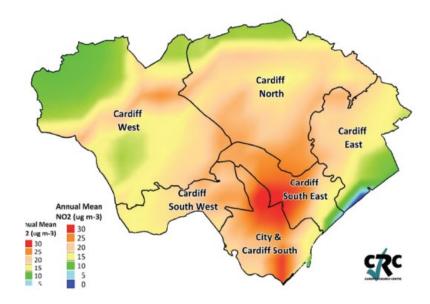


Figure 3.2.1 Annual mean NO<sub>2</sub> levels, 2014<sup>52</sup>

<sup>48</sup> http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/888/opendoc/317890

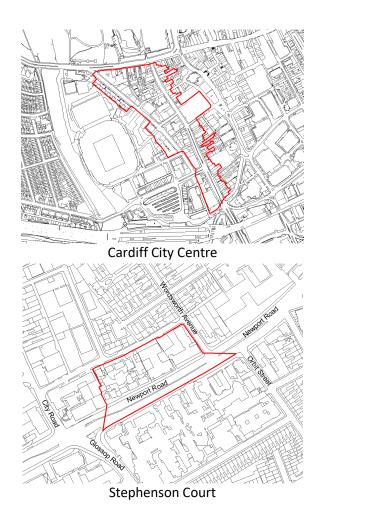
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> https://gov.wales/clean-air-plan-wales-healthy-air-healthy-wales

<sup>50</sup> https://cardiff.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s35876/Cabinet%2021%20November%202019%20Local%20Air%20Quality%20Progress%20Report%20App.pdf.

<sup>51</sup> https://airquality.gov.wales/sites/default/files/documents/2021-01/Clean\_Air\_Advisory\_Panel\_report-Impacts\_of\_the\_Covid-19\_pandemic\_on\_air\_quality\_in\_Wales\_English.pdf

<sup>52</sup> https://www.cardiffpartnership.co.uk/well-being-assessment/cardiff-clean-sustainable/air-quality/

(renamed Ely Bridge) was reduced. In December 2010 the Stephenson Court AQMA was declared. Figure 3.2.2 shows the current AQMAs<sup>53</sup>, and Table 3.2.1 shows air quality over time at the AQMAs.



Ely Bridge Llandaff

Figure 3.2.2 Current AQMAs in Cardiff

<sup>53</sup> Ibid.

Table 3.2.1 shows that NO<sub>2</sub> levels have generally reduced over time. Air quality at the High Street improved significantly after pedestrianisation in 2010.

AQMA	Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	58. Westgate Street	39	50	52	55	50	52	51	48	45	45	46
	119. Havelock Street	31	34	38	40	34	33	32	28	30	33	38
	126. Westgate Street Flats	35	40	49	45	40	44	41	36	38	39	35
e.	160. High Street	69	50	36	33	31	30	28	27	32	28	27
Cardiff City Centre	184. St. Mary Street									41	39	40
liff Cit	186. Castle Street									48	48	46
Carc	187. Angel Hotel									51	50	51
Ely Br.	117. Crowbridge Rd West		43	52	47	43	45	42	40	41	49	40
Ste. Ct.	81. Stephenson Court		41	46	41	41	37	36	35	38	36	35
daff	33 Mitre Place		52	54	55	50	50	51	47	48	33	33
	99. Cardiff Rd Llandaff		42	49	40	35	39	40	30	35	31	32
Llandaff	212. Bridge Road											47

Table 3.2.1 NO2 levels at Cardiff AQMAs over time (red cells show where the AQMA exceeds the annual threshold of 40μg/m³)<sup>54</sup>

 $<sup>^{54}\</sup> https://cardiff.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s35876/Cabinet\%2021\%20November\%202019\%20Local\%20Air\%20Quality\%20Progress\%20Report\%20App.pdf$ 

The Transport and Clean Air Green Paper consultation of 2019<sup>55</sup> asked respondents to rate different measures for improving air quality in the city. The most preferred options were integrated ticketing, a zero carbon bus fleet, and digital user information for buses. Least preferred were measures that would require divers to change their behaviour: parking levies, a total city 20mpg zone, active travel targets, and clean air zones (Figure 3.2.3)

#### Likely future without the plan

Prior to the coronavirus pandemic, air quality in Cardiff was expected to continue to improve in response to tightening vehicle emission requirements, an increase in electric vehicles, and a greater uptake of non-car modes of transport. It is unclear whether changes in people' lifestyles due to the pandemic – more home-based working, less commuting, less travelling for retail and leisure – will continue post-pandemic. If they do, then air quality is likely to improve faster than initially predicted. It is also unclear whether Brexit will affect transport movements and air quality legislation in Wales. The impacts of poor air quality can be worsened by higher temperatures, so climate change could lead to more air quality related health problems.

The Clean Air Plan for Wales<sup>56</sup> aims to reduce air pollution over ten years. The 2018 Clean Air Zone Framework for Wales<sup>57</sup> identifies Cardiff as a location where a Clean Air Zone could be implemented. NRW's South Central Wales Area Statement<sup>58</sup> aims to reduce air pollution, taking the needs of the environment and ecosystems into consideration. Cardiff has put forward an outline bid for funding for improving air quality in the city centre<sup>59</sup>.

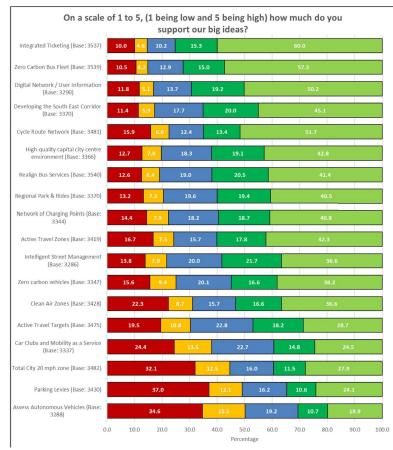


Figure 3.2.3 Public preferences for transport management measures in Cardiff<sup>60</sup>

<sup>55</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Your-Council/Have-your-say/Ask%20Cardiff%20Library/Transport%20and%20Clean%20Air%20Green%20Paper%20Consultation%20Report.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> https://gov.wales/clean-air-plan-wales-healthy-air-healthy-wales

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> https://gov.wales/clean-air-zone-framework-wales

<sup>58</sup> https://naturalresources.wales/about-us/area-statements/south-central-wales-area-statement/?lang=en

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Parking-roads-and-travel/clean-air-cardiff/Pages/default.aspx

<sup>60</sup> Ibid.

## 3.3 Biodiversity, flora and fauna

#### Introduction

Cardiff has a wide range of biodiversity interests which extend from Flat Holm Island in the Severn Estuary to the hills forming the northern edge of the city, a thousand feet above sea level. Habitats and species have developed in response to local conditions and represent Cardiff's biodiversity resource.

#### Cardiff has a wide range of sites designated for biodiversity, including two European Designated Sites (the Severn Estuary and Cardiff Beech Woods)

Figure 3.3.1 shows the location of designated sites in Cardiff. The Severn Estuary Special Area of Conservation (SAC), Special Protection Area (SPA) and Ramsar Site consists of intertidal mudflats, sandflats, saltmarsh, shingle and rocky shoreline. These habitats support internationally important populations of waterfowl. The estuary is also important for the run of migratory fish, and it has an immense tidal range. The Cardiff Beech Woods SAC is one of the largest concentrations of beech forests in Wales, and represents the habitat close to western limit of its past native range in both the UK and Europe. Table 3.3.1 summarises the condition of, and threats and pressures on these internationally important sites for nature conservation. Key pressures are recreational disturbance, urbanisation, and other human-induced changes. NRW also identifies air pollution as being a threat to European Designated Sites. The condition of the birds using the Severn Estuary is particularly problematic.

Table 3.1.1 Condition of, and threats and pressures on, internationally important nature conservation sites in/near Cardiff<sup>61</sup>

Name of site	Why the site has been designated ('qualifying feature')	Threats and pressures
Cardiff Beech	Asperulo-Fagetum beech forests	Interspecific floral relations
Woods SAC	Tilio-Acerion forests of slopes, screes and ravines	Invasive non-native species
		Recreational activities
Severn Estuary SAC	• Estuaries	Urbanisation, industrial etc.
	Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater	Changes in abiotic conditions
	Atlantic salt meadows	Human induced changes
	Sandbanks which are slightly covered by sea water all the time	Recreational activities
	• Reefs	Modification of cultivation practices
	Sea lamprey	
	River lamprey	
	Twaite shad	
Severn Estuary SPA	Bewick's swan*	Recreational activities
	• Common shelduck*	Other urbanisation, industrial etc.
	• Gadwall*	Modification of cultivation practices

<sup>61</sup> http://sac.jncc.gov.uk

Name of site	Why the site has been designated ('qualifying feature')	Threats and pressures		
	• Dunlin*	Changes in abiotic conditions		
	• Common redshank*	Human induced changes in hydraulic conditions		
	Greater white-fronted goose*			
	Waterbird assemblages			
Severn Estuary	Immense tidal range	Dredging		
Ramsar	Unusual estuarine communities, reduced diversity and high productivity	Erosion		
	Run of migratory fish between sea and river via estuary	Recreational disturbance		
	Very diverse fish species			
	Waterbird assemblages of international improtance			

Global condition of qualifying feature:

A B C \* There is no information on global status for these birds. The information is provided on isolation; population is consistently one 'grade' better

The 18 Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs) in Cardiff range from woodland, aquatic, marsh and grassland habitats to sites of geological interest<sup>62</sup>, and from favourable to unfavourable status. The status of many – including the very large Gwent Levels and Severn Estuary SSSIs - is unknown (Table 3.1.2).

Table 3.1.2 Condition of Sites of Special Scientific Interest in/near Cardiff<sup>63</sup>

Argloddiau Cronfeyd	d Dwr Llanisien a Llys-Fa	en	Ely Valley		Lisvane I	Reservoir		
Caeau Blaen-bielly			Fforestganol a	Chwm Nofydd	Penylan	Quarry		
Castell Coch Woodlands and road section			Flat Holm		Rhymne	<b>Rhymney River Section</b>		
Coed y Bedw			Garth wood		Rhymne	y Quarry		
Cwarrau Ton Mawr a	Ffynnon Taf		Glamorgan Car	nal / Long Wood	Severn E	stuary		
Cum Cydfin, Leckwith	1		Gwent Levels -	- Rumney and Peterstone	Ty Du M	oor		
Condition of SSSI:	unknown	favourab	le	favourable /unknown	unfavourable / unknown	unfavourable		

<sup>62</sup> https://naturalresources.wales/guidance-and-advice/environmental-topics/wildlife-and-biodiversity/protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-and-seas/find-protected-areas-of-land-areas-of-land-areas-of-land-areas-of-land-areas-of-land-are

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>63</sup> Elizabeth Felton, Natural Resources Wales, pers. comm., March 2020.

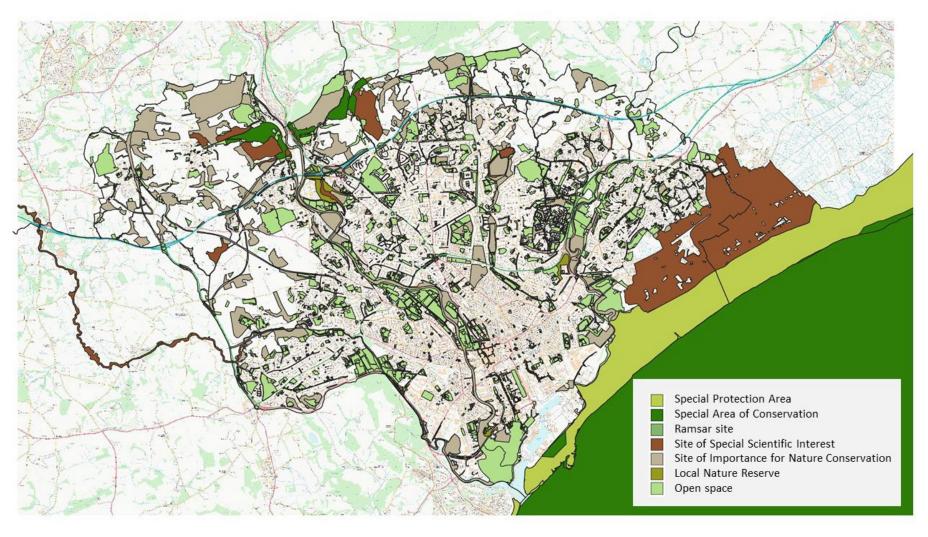


Figure 3.3.1 Designated nature conservation sites and open space in Cardiff

Six Local Nature Reserves covering 150ha provide good opportunities to access local wildlife and there are 181 additional Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINCs) covering 1672ha.

European protected species occurring in Cardiff are the Great Crested Newt, Otter, Dormouse and Bats. Otters are now present on all three main rivers and have also extended to tributaries and other water bodies. Dormice require a woodland habitat and are known to primarily exist across the northern ridge and east of the city. All species of bats are protected and their distribution varies: some are widespread such as the Pipistrelle whilst others are localised.

# Cardiff has many existing corridors and networks of mixed habitats providing good connectivity for species

The valleys of the rivers Taff, Ely and Rhymney form strategically important corridors of open space containing a wide variety of habitats that run through the city from the countryside to the Severn Estuary. These provide valuable wildlife corridors and connectivity between habitats that are important for many species. Feeder tributaries and streams generally run from higher ground to the north and feed into the main rivers, providing a similar function. Features such as woodlands, hedgerows, marshlands, alder carrs and disused rail lines are common in the countryside surrounding the urban area. This patchwork of varied habitats provides a good resource for biodiversity (Figure 3.3.2). However Cardiff's woodland cover is fragmented, with few areas larger than 5 hectares.

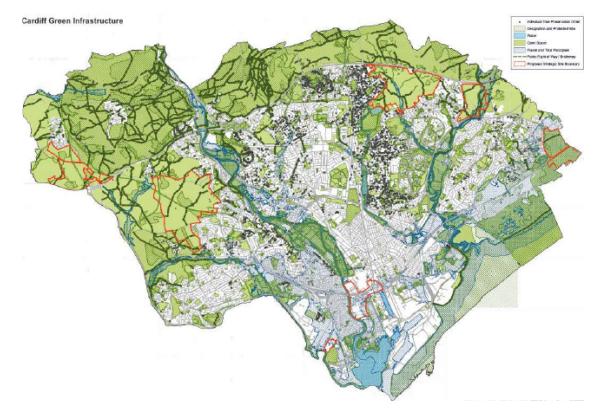


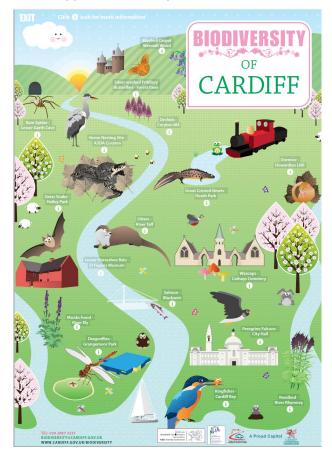
Figure 3.3.2 Green infrastructure in Cardiff<sup>64</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> https://cardiff.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s34305/Cabinet%2026%20Sept%202019%20Biodiversity%20BRED%20App.pdf

#### Urban areas can support biodiversity through a wide range of measures

There is little information on biodiversity in Cardiff, notably the condition of SSSIs and the location and abundance of protected species. However, Natural Resources Wales has identified a wide range of actions that can be carried out in urban areas such as Cardiff to support biodiversity<sup>65</sup>:

- Promote sustainable transport
- Promote low carbon, energy efficient housing; increase the energy efficiency of the housing stock
- Deploy renewables
- Implement water efficiency measures such as off-line storage, rainwater harvesting and greywater recycling. Initiate behavioural change to a more conservative use of water.
- Increase the amount of highly water-efficient domestic appliances in new and existing homes
- Reduce non-supply leakage and waste through awareness-raising initiatives
- Promote SUDS in existing developments
- Protect large trees in urban areas and promote the planting of street trees
- Increase the rate of new woodland creation and plant more trees
- Monitor the change in selected mammal and invertebrate species in urban areas
- Manage green spaces
- Provide adequate garden space for homes likely to house children
- Increase biodiverse, accessible green space
- Manage road verges for biodiversity
- Convert lawns around public buildings to biodiverse meadows
- Use more timber in construction to help reduce emissions and support the timber industry



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>65</sup> Natural Resources Wales (2020) State of Natural Resources Report also recommends actions for coastal margins, farmland, marine and freshwater and woodlands which can also apply to Cardiff. In particular, this includes protection and restoration of coastal margin habitats including saltmarsh, and coastal adaptation through nature-based solutions.

https://natural resources.wales/evidence- and -data/research- and -reports/state- of-natural-resources- report- sonarr-for-wales-2020/sonarr2020- our-assessment/sonarr-2020- natural-resources- registers/?lang=en

### Likely future without the plan

The lack of information on biodiversity in Cardiff makes it difficult to plan for and monitor its condition.

New developments within and outside the settlement boundary have the potential to harm Cardiff's biodiversity resource. Brownfield sites can contain significant biodiversity interest and it is important that these are recognised and protected where possible. Similarly, the river valleys and countryside are vulnerable to insensitive development and changing agricultural and land use practices. The coronavirus pandemic has shown just how important green spaces are for people's physical and mental wellbeing: there may be a conflict between making green spaces publicly accessible and protecting their biodiversity.

The Welsh government declared a nature emergency in June 2021. Planning Policy Wales<sup>66</sup> requires planning authorities to seek to maintain and enhance biodiversity, and protect the resilience of ecosystems. In particular it expects planning authorities to consider diversity between and within ecosystems; the connections between and within ecosystems; the scale of ecosystems; the condition of ecosystems including their structure and functioning; and the adaptability of ecosystems. NRW's South Central Wales Area Statement<sup>67</sup> aims to work towards building resilient ecosystems and connecting people with nature. Cardiff Council has prepared a Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems Duty strategic plan<sup>68</sup>, Green Infrastructure Supplementary Planning Guidance<sup>69</sup>, and an Ecology & Biodiversity Technical Guidance Note. It has started to produce a Local Nature Recovery Action Plan.

 $<sup>^{66}\</sup> https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2019-02/planning-policy-wales-edition-10.pdf\ ,\ sec.\ 6.4$ 

<sup>67</sup> https://naturalresources.wales/about-us/area-statements/south-central-wales-area-statement/?lang=en

<sup>68</sup> https://cardiff.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s34304/Cabinet%2026%20Sept%202019%20Biodiversity%20BRED.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>69</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Planning/Planning-Policy/Supplementary-Planning-Guidance/Documents/Consultation/Green%20Infrastructure%20SPG%20English%20June%202017.pdf

# 3.4 Climate change

#### Introduction

Human induced climate change is the greatest short- and long-term challenge facing the human race. Globally, greenhouse gas emissions have increased steadily since the industrial revolution. Greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere now stand at 454ppm  $CO_2$  equivalent, 37ppm more than just ten years ago<sup>70</sup>, and compared with only 280ppm before the Industrial Revolution. The rising concentration is driven by increasing emissions from human activities, such as energy generation, traffic and land-use change.

Risks associated with climate change include:

- Increased risk of flooding and erosion (see Sec. 3.11)
- Increased pressure on drainage systems
- Drier soils and subsidence
- Significant habitat and species changes and loss
- Water quality issues in rivers and lakes
- Greater incidence of drought and problems with water supply
- Lower air quality
- Acidification of the sea
- Health issues in the summer, including the urban heat island effect

- Reduced energy demand in winter but increased demand in summer
- Increased prevalence of insect and water borne diseases
- Vulnerability of transport, waste and energy infrastructure
- Increase in demand for, and cost of, water
- Increased insurance costs and decreased property values
- Increased risk of forest and heathland fires
- Changes in the landscape
- Increased tourism due to warmer weather

The Cardiff area is likely to be subject to greater increases in temperature as a result of climate change than most of the rest of the UK (UKCIP 2009)

Cardiff Council declared a climate emergency in March 2019, and the Welsh Government declared one a month later. Cardiff Council is aiming to reach carbon neutrality<sup>71</sup> by 2030, and the Welsh Government aims for Wales to reach 'net zero' greenhouse gas emissions by 2050<sup>72</sup>. This section begins with causes of climate change – emissions of greenhouse gases - and continues with how Cardiff is dealing with climate change. Section 11 discusses flooding.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>70</sup> https://www.eea.europa.eu/data-and-maps/indicators/atmospheric-greenhouse-gas-concentrations-6/assessment-1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>71</sup> "Carbon neutrality, or having a net-zero carbon footprint, is the balancing of carbon emissions against carbon removal, often through carbon off-setting, with the net result being zero." https://www.oneplanetcardiff.co.uk/

<sup>72</sup> https://www.itv.com/news/wales/2019-05-02/wales-warned-to-cut-greenhouse-emissions-by-95-before-2050/

# Cardiff's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per person are decreasing, particularly due to reductions in industrial and commercial emissions

Carbon dioxide ( $CO_2$ ) accounts for most greenhouse gas emissions. Annual greenhouse gas emissions in Cardiff have been decreasing steadily, from 2679kt in 2005 to 1647kt in 2018, a 39% reduction (Figure 3.4.1). Emissions from industrial and commercial activities have fallen particularly quickly. Annual per person emissions have fallen even faster, given that Cardiff's population increased during this time: they dropped by 46%, from 8.3 tonnes/person to 4.5 tonnes/person. These decreases are partly attributable to more energy-efficient buildings and appliances, but also to the economic recession and subsequent austerity measures.

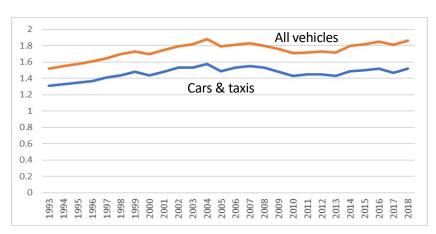


Figure 3.4.2 Annual traffic levels, billion vehicle-km, Cardiff<sup>74</sup>

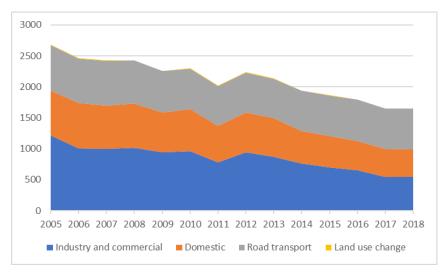


Figure 3.4.1 Greenhouse gas emissions (in kilotonnes, kt) for Cardiff<sup>73</sup>

Domestic energy use is responsible for almost one-third of Cardiff's  $CO_2$  emissions. Cardiff's per person domestic energy use is slightly lower than the Welsh and GB average, and decreased by 14% between 2008 and 2018.

Traffic accounts for another 30% of emissions, and was not going down before the coronavirus pandemic. After consistent traffic growth to 2004, traffic dropped by about 5% in the late 2000s as a result of the recession, but then rose again and was at almost its highest-ever level in 2018 (Figure 3.4.2). This was despite the fact that most areas of the city have good access to services generally (Figure 3.1.8) and to bus services specifically (Figure 3.4.3). This has changed, at least temporarily, as a result of the pandemic, but comparable figures had not yet been released by early 2021.

<sup>73</sup> http://www.infobasecymru.net/IAS/themes/environmentandsustainability/environment/tabular?viewId=518&geoId=1&subsetId=.

<sup>74</sup> https://roadtraffic.dft.gov.uk/local-authorities/19

## A significant part of Cardiff's traffic comprises commuters from outside Cardiff.

Prior to the pandemic, almost 100,000 people commuted into Cardiff every day, of which about 80% travelled by car: this was a net inflow of 67,800 people <sup>75</sup> (Figure 3.4.4). Additionally, 190,000 commuter trips were made by Cardiff residents every day, of which about 30,000 were to work outside the city. Drivers were losing on average 143 hours per year to congestion <sup>76</sup>. Again, the pandemic has changed this, but the degree to which this is happening is not clear.

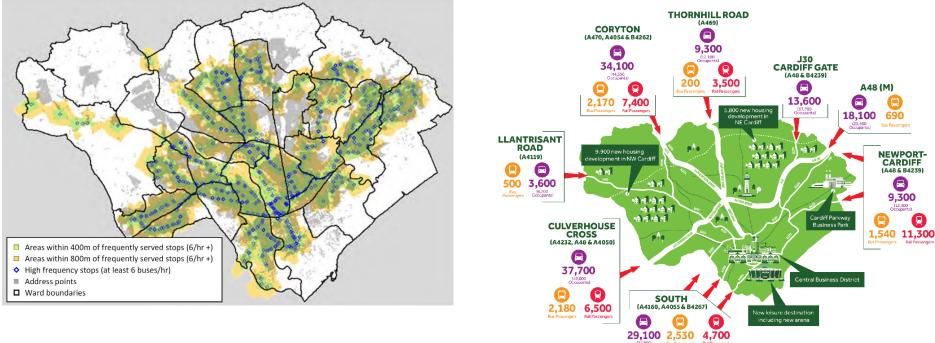


Figure 3.4.3 Bus accessibility in Cardiff 77

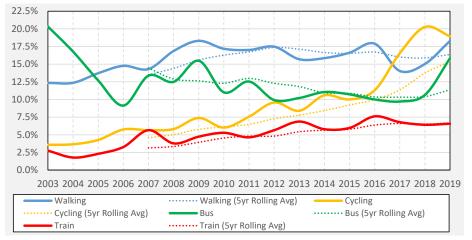
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Parking-roads-and-travel/transport-policies-plans/transport-white-paper/Documents/White%20Paper%20for%20Cardiff%20Transport%202019.pdf

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<sup>78</sup> Ibid.

About half of journeys to work and education have been by car, but this is slowly changing. The proportion of Cardiff residents commuting to work by bike rose rapidly between 2003 and 2018, and particularly since 2015 (Figure 3.4.6). The proportion of people travelling to education by bike has also risen significantly (Figure 3.4.7)<sup>79</sup>. This has coincided with the publication of the Cardiff Cycling Strategy 2016-2026<sup>80</sup>; and the 'Nextbike' rental system which started in March 2018. In the 2019 Transport Survey, 66% of respondents indicated that they commute to work at least once a week by car or van; and 31% stated that they travel to work at least once a week by bike.<sup>81</sup>



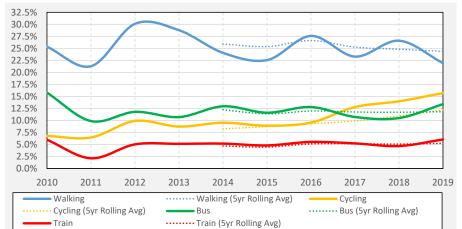


Figure 3.4.6 Non-car mode of travel to education<sup>82</sup>

<sup>79</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Planning/Local-Development-Plan/Annual-Monitoring-Report/Pages/Annual-Monitoring-Report.aspx

<sup>80</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Parking-roads-and-travel/Walking-and-cycling/Cycling-Strategy/Documents/Cardiff%20Cycling%20Strategy.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>81</sup> https://www.cardiffpartnership.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/Cardiff-in-2018-Final-English.pdf

<sup>82</sup> Ibid.

#### Cardiff is increasingly producing renewable energy.

Cardiff produces only small amounts of solar energy, and little energy from wind, biomass or hydropower (Figure 3.4.7). However Cardiff's Tremorfa food recycling plant, opened in 2017, provides 1.8MW of electricity per year. Cardiff also has the largest energy from waste facility in Wales: the 30MWe Trident Park energy recovery facility which was commissioned in 2015. The Cardiff East sewage gas plant generates 4MWe and 5 MWth, almost half of the Wales total of sewage gas electricity <sup>83</sup>. A 9MW solar farm has been built at the former Lamby Way landfill site: this is not yet reflected in Figure 3.4.7.

#### Likely future without the plan

The climate is already changing as a result of past greenhouse gas emissions, and this trend is expected to worsen over time.

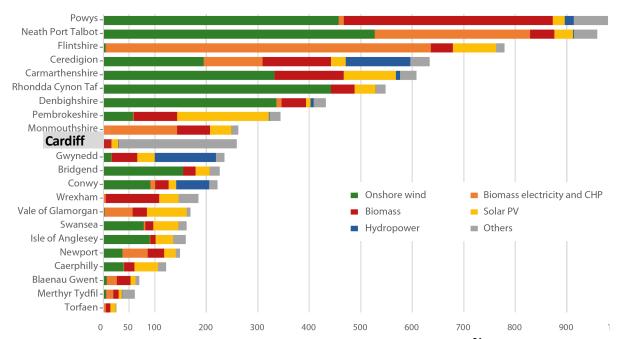


Figure 3.4.7 Renewables generation (GWh) in Wales 201984

Cardiff's additional future population will generate additional traffic, potentially worsening congestion and greenhouse gas emissions. This may be counterbalanced by lifestyle changes triggered by the coronavirus pandemic, including more people working from home, more use of local rather than distant services and facilities, and more walking and cycling. The more widespread use of electric vehicles would also reduce greenhouse gas emissions if the electricity mix is primarily from renewables.

In early 2020 Cardiff Council secured government funding to develop a city-wide heat network, using in part heat from the Viridor/Trident Park energy from waste plant.<sup>85</sup> The system is expected to supply heat to the Wales Millennium Centre, County Hall, Cardiff Central Square, St. David's shopping centre and the Cardiff Royal Infirmary<sup>86</sup>.

<sup>83</sup> https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2020-11/energy-generation-in-wales-2019.pdf

<sup>84</sup> Ibid.

<sup>85</sup> www.oneplanetcardiff.co.uk

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>86</sup> www.walesonline.co.uk/news/local-news/cardiff-councils-26m-underground-network-17024200

One Planet Cardiff<sup>87</sup>, published in 2020, sets out seven main actions to allow Cardiff to become a Carbon Neutral City and Council by 2030:

- 1. Large scale housing and development retrofit, to reduce fuel poverty and related health conditions
- 2. Resilient low energy and resource efficient development
- 3. Low cost efficient energy generation to bring job and climate benefits
- 4. Low energy active transport support for ultra low emission vehicles, car clubs, charging infrastructure and active travel routes
- 5. Greening the city, including increased tree coverage and more biodiversity friendly land management
- 6. Low carbon affordable food
- 7. Procurement using circular economy models, and contracts that are more accountable for their climate consequences.

Cardiff Council is promoting a new Cardiff Crossrail and a new Cardiff Circle tram-train line (see Figure 2.4). These would link the new communities in the west of the city, and existing communities in the east which are currently poorly served by public transport, to the city centre and Cardiff Central. It is also aiming to reduce bus fares, improve bus services including bus priority at traffic lights; establish new Park & Ride facilities including at Junction 32/A470; and improve cycling facilities in the city<sup>88</sup>. Cardiff's NextBike bike rental system allows access to bikes, including to people from deprived communities<sup>89</sup>.

The Welsh Government are supporting the growth of Cardiff Airport which, prior to the pandemic, aimed to double its passenger numbers by the end of the RLDP period<sup>90</sup>: this would generate additional greenhouse gases.

<sup>87</sup> www.oneplanetcardiff.co.uk

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>88</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Parking-roads-and-travel/transport-policies-plans/transport-white-paper/Documents/White%20Paper%20for%20Cardiff%20Transport%202019.pdf

<sup>89</sup> https://gov.wales > default > files > publications > low-carbon-delivery-plan 1

<sup>90</sup> https://www.cardiff-airport.com/uploads/Masterplan%20Report%20FINAL%20JUNE19%20lower\_compressed%20%281%29.pdf

## 3.5 Cultural heritage and the historic environment, including Welsh language

#### Introduction

Cardiff as seen and experienced today, and its place names, reflect a wealth of influences as it developed from a small community on the banks of the River Taff. Evidence still exists from Roman times and other key stages in the city's development. Most notably, the era of mining in the South Wales Valleys saw an unprecedented boom for Cardiff in terms of its economic and physical growth. Cardiff performed a vital role both as a port and commercial centre. The Victorian and Edwardian legacy in terms of street patterns and buildings is still clearly evident and provides a very distinctive character to large areas of the city. A range of formal designations have been used to help identify and protect the most important features of Cardiff's historic and architectural heritage. Whilst Cardiff continues to develop, it is important that its rich cultural, historic and architectural legacy is fully understood, protected and managed.

#### Cardiff contains a wide range of areas, buildings and monuments designated for historic value befitting of its Capital City status

Cardiff has 28 Scheduled Ancient Monuments. Archaeological remains provide important, often irreplaceable, information about the past. Their investigation and, where appropriate, preservation is important in its own right and can provide an invaluable educational and tourism resource. Four archaeologically sensitive areas have been identified in Cardiff: at City Centre, St Fagans/Michaelstone-super-Ely, the Wentloog Levels, and Llandaff. They represent the most likely areas where the effect of development on the archaeological resource may be an issue during the determination of a planning application. Cardiff Council published Supplementary Planning Guidance on these areas in July 2018<sup>91</sup>.

Cadw has listed 855 buildings or structures in Cardiff as being of Special Architectural or Historic Interest. Cardiff also has 27 conservation areas (covering 811.7ha in total) designated for their special historic or architectural interest. They vary greatly in size and character, and range from the villages of St Fagans and old St Mellons, to the more recent Victorian and Edwardian areas which developed during Cardiff's 'boom years.' All have Conservation Area Strategies which identify priorities for the areas. Cardiff has 15 Historic Parks and Gardens that cover 468 hectares. They are widely spread and of contrasting character. Some of the larger historic parks reach from the city centre to the outer suburbs. Cardiff's Grade I gardens are Cardiff Castle and Bute Park, Roath Park and St. Fagan's Castle.

Cardiff's heritage extends well beyond those identified in statutory protections. The city's Historic Environment Record holds at least 1,724 datapoints and 1,608 NMR/RCAHMW datapoints. All of the city's historic built fabric helps define the character of the city and the diverse cultural backgrounds of its residents and visitors. Figure 3.5.1 shows the extent of designated sites, features, buildings and areas. In 2015 (the most recently available in early 2021), 27 of Cardiff's listed buildings were at risk, and 116 were vulnerable. 85% of historic buildings were not at risk, compared to 86% in 2011 and 83% in 2006 92.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>91</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Planning/Planning-Policy/Supplementary-Planning-Guidance/Documents/Archaeologically%20Sensitive%20Areas%20SPG%20-%202018%20final.pdf

<sup>92</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Planning/Conservation/Documents/Cardiff%20Listed%20Buildings%20at%20Risk%20-%202015.pdf.

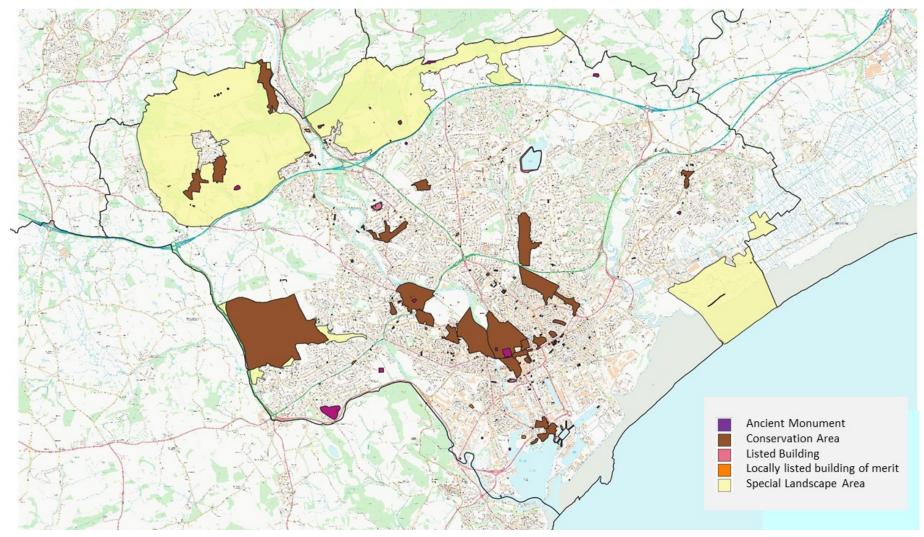


Figure 3.5.1 Sites, features, buildings and areas of conservation importance

# The City's cultural and historic attractions perform an important national and regional role, attracting large numbers of visitors each year

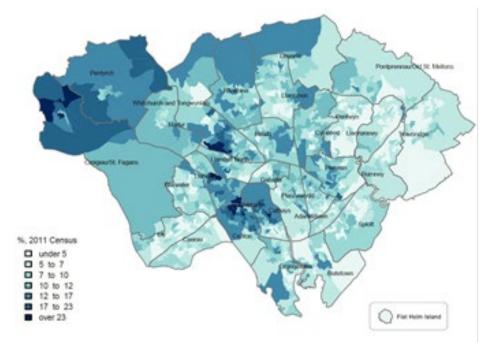
In 2017, more than 21 million people visited Cardiff, 5% more than the year before, bringing in £1.3 billion. Cardiff has recently hosted the UEFA Champions League Final, the Volvo Ocean Race, and that National Eisteddfod<sup>93</sup>. In December 2019, Cardiff because the UK's first music city, and its music strategy aims to place music at the heart of Cardiff's future<sup>94</sup>. That said, much of this has reduced or stopped during the coronavirus pandemic.

# The Welsh language is increasingly spoken in Cardiff

Language is an invaluable tool in place-making and identity. The Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 makes Welsh an official language in Wales, and it must be treated no less favourably than English.

The 2019 Welsh population survey found that 22% of Cardiff's residents said that they can speak Welsh (Figure 3.5.2), compared to a Welsh average of 29% <sup>95</sup>. Figure 3.12.1 shows the proportion of Cardiff residents who could speak, read and write Welsh in 2011: the highest proportion is in Creigiau/St Fagans, Riverside and Llandaff. The proportion of Welsh speakers has increased further since then <sup>96</sup>, with much of the increase attributable to young children <sup>97</sup>. In terms of numbers as opposed to proportion, Cardiff has the third highest number of Welsh speakers in Wales.

Welsh education in Cardiff has moved from being 'demand led' to 'active promotion', and Cardiff now has three Welsh medium secondary schools, 15 primary schools, two dual stream primaries, and two Welsh medium Specialist Resource Bases.



<sup>93</sup> https://businessnewswales.com/cardiff-boasts-record-visitor-numbers-during-2017/

 $<sup>^{94}\</sup> https://www.creativecardiff.org.uk/creative-cardiff-news/cardiff-declared-music-city-music-strategy-development-launches$ 

<sup>95</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Welsh-Language/Annual-Population-Survey-Welsh-

Language/annualpopulationsurveyestimatesofpersonsaged3andoverwhosaytheycanspeakwelsh-by-localauthority-measure

<sup>96</sup> https://gov.wales/sites/default/filesL/statistics-and-research/2018-12/160622-workforce-welsh-language-support-primary-care-cardiff-vale-en.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>97</sup> Cardiff Council (2020) Draft Welsh Language ISA Assessment.

<sup>98</sup> Ibid.

# Welsh place names, street naming and signage help to ensure the more active use of the Welsh language

As a result of the Welsh Language Regulation (No. 1) Standards 2015, local authorities must comply with Welsh language standards in relation to the signage and official notices displayed by public authorities, including directional signage, building signage, and wayfaring and general information signs. Cardiff's street naming policy of 2019 aims to give all new streets a Welsh language name grounded in the locality, history and heritage of the immediate area. A formal list of Welsh place names for dwellings is expected to be available in 2021. Bilingual Cardiff and a naming panel are actively engaged with developers to provide Welsh language names for new developments, bilingual site marketing information, and Welsh or bilingual signage for commercial developments. Cardiff published a draft Supplementary Planning Guidance in 2019 relating to shop fronts and signage, which includes recommendations regarding the use of bilingual signage<sup>99</sup>.

# Likely future without the plan

The Local Development Plan aims to protect and enhance the city's heritage. As part of its 'music city' offer, Cardiff's council cabinet has appointed Live Nation and Oak View Group to develop and operate a live music arena. The new arena will have space for 15,000 spectators, double the size of the city's current largest indoor venue, the Motorpoint. The arena is projected to cost £150 million to build, and to create 1,000 jobs when open, which is expected to be in early 2024<sup>100</sup>.

The use of Welsh in Cardiff is likely to increase in the future in response to policies such as Cardiff's Bilingual Cardiff Strategy Action Plan 2019 - 2022<sup>101</sup>, the Bilingual Cardiff Strategy 2017-2022<sup>102</sup>, the Welsh in Education Strategic Plan 2017-2020<sup>103</sup>, and the Street Naming Policy<sup>104</sup>. As a result, the Welsh language is expected to be introduced to new and emerging communities; Yr Hen Lyfrgell – Cardiff's Welsh Culture Centre will be supported; and there should be increasing opportunities for people to receive health and social care in Welsh. If current trends continue, Cardiff is likely to have the highest number of Welsh speakers in any Local Authority Area in Wales within a few years.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>99</sup> https://www.caerdydd.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Planning/Planning-Policy/Supplementary-Planning-Guidance/Documents/Shopfront%20Design%20and%20Signage%20SPG%20(June%202019).pdf

<sup>101</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Your-Council/Strategies-plans-and-policies/Bilingual-Cardiff/Documents/Bilingual%20Cardiff%20Strategy%20Action%20Plan%202019-22.pdf

<sup>102</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Your-Council/Strategies-plans-and-policies/Bilingual-Cardiff/Documents/Bilingual%20Cardiff%20Strategy.pdf

<sup>103</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Schools-and-learning/Schools/21st-Century-Schools/Keep-up-to-date-and-contact-us/Publications/Welsh-Education-Strategic-Plan/Pages/default.aspx

 $<sup>^{104}\</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Parking-roads-and-travel/transport-policies-plans/Street-naming/Documents/Street%20Naming%20Policy.pdf$ 

# 3.6 Economy

#### Introduction

Cardiff has undergone major changes over the last century with the decline of the coal industry, the increasing dominance of the service sector, and devolution combining to shape the city into what it is today.

# Cardiff is the key economic driver for south-east Wales

Cardiff is the main driver of the South Wales economy. The number of jobs provided in Cardiff has risen rapidly, from 189,000 in 2000 to 241,000 in  $2018^{105}$ . The economic recession led to job numbers remaining steady between 2004 and 2012, but job numbers have risen steeply since  $2014^{106}$  - see Figure 3.6.1.

Employment levels fell during the recession, from 71% in 2004 to 65% in 2012, but then rose again, and in September 2019 stood at 79.6%. This was higher than both the Welsh (76.8%) and GB (78.9%) averages<sup>107</sup>. No figures more recent than June 2020 are available, although employment levels are likely to have fallen during the coronavirus pandemic.

Average salaries in Cardiff in 2020 were £14.36/hr, down from £15.12 in 2019. They were below the GB average of £15.18/hr (they were higher than the GB average in 2019), but continued to be above the Wales average (£13.83 in 2020). Gross weekly pay for full-time workers was £544, with the same trends as hourly pay.

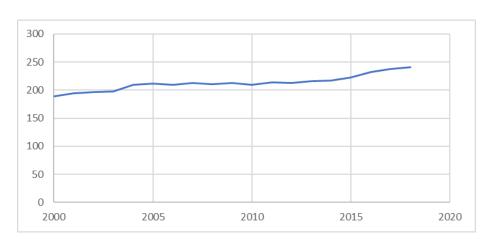


Figure 3.6.1 Number of jobs in Cardiff<sup>108</sup>

<sup>105</sup> https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/1946157397/report.aspx#tabjobs. The data from 2018 are the most recent available in early 2021.

<sup>106</sup> https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/1946157397/subreports/jd time series/report.aspx?

<sup>107</sup> https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/lmp/la/1946157397/report.aspx#tabrespop

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>108</sup> https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/Imp/la/1946157397/report.aspx#tabjobs

Figures 3.6.2 and 3.6.3 show areas of high and low employment and income in Cardiff in 2019. Again, low employment and income are generally concentrated in the 'southern arc', particularly Ely/Caerau, Butetown, Adamstown, Trowbridge and Llanrumney.

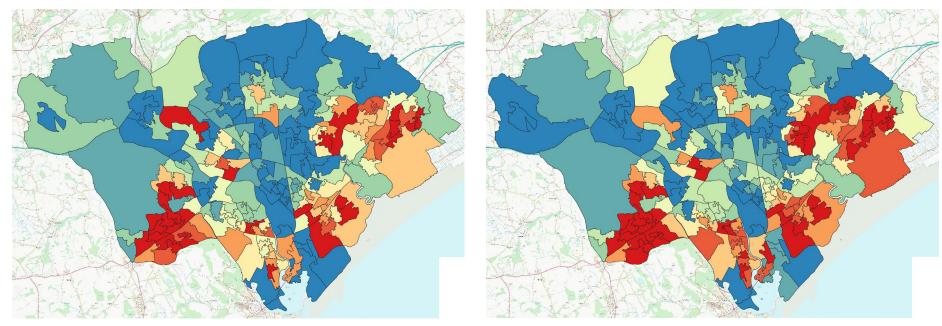


Figure 3.6.2 Index of Multiple Deprivation 2019 employment 109

Figure 3.6.3 Index of Multiple Deprivation income<sup>73</sup>

In 2019, Cardiff was 16<sup>th</sup> (out of 379) in the UK competitiveness index, which considers ten economic factors such as economic activity rates, business start-ups and productivity<sup>110</sup>. Cardiff's Gross Value Added (GVA) per person – a key indicator of productivity - has consistently exceeded the UK average since 1998. Financial/insurance activities and human health/social work activities are the greatest contributors to Cardiff's GVA<sup>111</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>109</sup> See Figure 3.1.3 for legend

<sup>110</sup> https://www.researchgate.net/figure/01-CITY-UK-COMPETITIVENESS-INDEX-2019-UK100\_tbl1\_331980020

### Cardiff's service sector industries are growing, and much of its employment is in Welsh Government priority sectors

Cardiff has less of a focus on manufacturing, construction, and wholesale/retail trade than the Welsh and GB average; and more focus on finance/insurance, education, and public administration<sup>112</sup>. Manufacturing jobs in Cardiff, as elsewhere, have declined rapidly over the past 30 years.

45% of people employed in Cardiff in early 2019 were in one of the Welsh Government's priority sectors (Table 3.6.1). Financial and professional services were by far the largest of these in the city, and Cardiff accounted for 30% of these jobs in Wales. Creative industries and ICT are also more prevalent in the city than across Wales as a whole, with Cardiff again accounting for about 30% of Wales's total employment in these sectors.

Jobs in the retail and hospitality, wider tourism and the creative sectors have particularly suffered as a result of the coronavirus pandemic, so these numbers will have changed since early 2019.

Priority sector	Cardiff		W	ales
	No. (1000s)	%	No. (1000s)	%
Advanced materials/manufacturing	4.5	2.0	81.5	6.0
Construction	14.5	6.4	109.4	8.1
Creative industries	18.0	7.9	58.0	4.3
Energy & environment	26.2	11.5	155.0	11.4
Food & farming	-	-	51.4	3.8
Financial & professional services	39.9	17.5	137.7	10.1
Information & communication (ICT)	8.5	3.7	31.0	2.3
Life sciences	2.0	0.9	13.5	1.0
Tourism	18.3	8.0	127.3	9.4
In a Priority Sector	102.9	45.3	600.2	44.2
Not in a Priority Sector	124.5	54.7	758.7	55.8
Total	227.4	100.0	1359.0	100.0

Table 3.6.1 Employment in Welsh Government priority sectors, 2018-19<sup>113</sup>

 $<sup>^{111}\</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Your-Council/Have-your-say/Ask\%20Cardiff\%20Library/The\%20Cardiff\%20Economy\%20and\%20Labour\%20Market\_Apr\%2018\_Mar\%2019.pdf.$ 

<sup>112</sup> https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/Imp/la/1946157397/report.aspx#tabearn

 $<sup>^{113}\</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Your-Council/Have-your-say/Ask\%20Cardiff\%20Library/The\%20Cardiff\%20Economy\%20and\%20Labour\%20Market\_Apr\%2018\_Mar\%2019.pdf$ 

# The workforce is polarised between qualified graduates and low skilled workforce

Cardiff's population consistently outperforms the Wales and UK averages in terms of education and skills<sup>114</sup>. This is partly determined by demographics, with Cardiff's relatively young population and the existence of several universities. In 2010, 40% of Cardiff's working age population had 4+ NVQs, and by end 2019 this was 46.4%<sup>115</sup>. This compares favourably with 36.3% for Wales and 40.3% for the UK<sup>116</sup>. Cardiff has three higher education institutions, Cardiff University, Cardiff Metropolitan University and the Welsh College of Music and Drama, providing about 4,000 new graduates each year. The University of South Wales also has a campus in Cardiff.

In 2008, Cardiff had almost 20% of the 10% most deprived lower super output areas for Wales for education, but this was down to 7% in December 2018<sup>117</sup>. However Cardiff still has areas of low educational achievement, primarily in the south and east part of the city, including Ely, Caerau, Butetown, Splott, Trowbridge and Llanrumney, as shown by Figure 3.6.4.

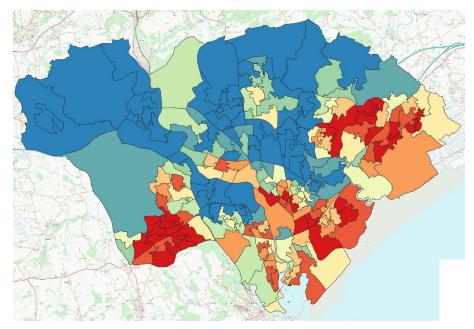


Figure 3.6.4 Index of Multiple Deprivation education 118

# Significant areas of employment land have changed to alternative uses (notably housing) although land for employment is still available

Changing market conditions (as described above) have resulted in a shift in demand away from manufacturing towards alternative uses such as housing. Examples of this include the Arjo Wiggins site at Ely Bridge, AWE site on Caerphilly Road, and Maes y Coed Road.

<sup>114</sup> https://www.nomisweb.co.uk/reports/Imp/la/1946157397/report.aspx?town=Cardiff#tabquals

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>115</sup> Ibid.

<sup>116</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Your-Council/Have-your-say/Ask%20Cardiff%20Library/The%20Cardiff%20Economy%20and%20Labour%20Market\_Apr%2018\_Mar%2019.pdf

<sup>117</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Community-Safety-and-Social-Inclusion/Welsh-Index-of-Multiple-Deprivation/WIMD-2019/localauthorityanalysis

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>118</sup> See Figure 3.1.3 for legend

The Local Development Plan 2016 allocated 132ha of employment land on allocated sites. Employment land permitted to date has been:

• 2016/17: 11.6ha

• 2017/18: 2.12ha

• 2018/19: 3.16ha

These permissions have been for high density, high rise offices. No loss of employment land occurred on protected sites.

Employment land take-up has been:

Again this has mostly been for offices<sup>119</sup>.

• 2016/17: 12.3ha

• 2017/18: 0.5ha

2018/19: 1.6ha

### Likely future without the plan

Prior to the coronavirus pandemic, employment was expected to continue to increase in Cardiff for the foreseeable future: this is currently less clear. At the pandemic peak in summer 2020, 50,000 workers in Cardiff were furloughed; 9,000 were reliant on the Self-Employment Income Support Scheme, and unemployment doubled<sup>120</sup>. Employment land also continues to be lost to residential uses. Post-pandemic, the proportion of people working from home is likely to fall, but not to pre-pandemic levels. This is leading to consideration of how the city centre and local/district shopping centres should work in the future.

The current LDP has allocated a large new employment site at Wentloog. A planning application for the site and a new mainline train station, 'Cardiff Parkway', was submitted in January 2021 (Figure 3.6.5).



Figure 3.6.5 Planned 'Cardiff Parkway' employment site showing the proposed new mainline rail line 121

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>119</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Planning/Local-Development-Plan/Annual-Monitoring-Report/Pages/Annual-Monitoring-Report.aspx. The 2018/19 Annual Monitoring Review was the most up-to-date in early 2021.

<sup>120</sup> https://cardiff.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s48486/Cabinet%2020%20May%202021%20Recovery%20Greener%20Fairer%20Economy%20App%201.pdf

# 3.7 Health and wellbeing

#### Introduction

Cardiff generally has average or slightly better health and social conditions compared to the rest of Wales, and in 2009 Cardiff was awarded Healthy City Status by the World Health Organisation, which demonstrates a commitment to improve the health and well-being of local people.

A range of factors can influence life expectancy, including lifestyle, income, employment, access to services and the wider environment. Life expectancy at birth for Cardiff's residents in 2012 was 78.2 years for men and 82.7 for women, very similar to the Welsh average<sup>122</sup>. Cardiff residents' perceptions of their health is also very similar to the Wales average. 45% of Cardiff adults have a longstanding illness; 32% have a limiting longstanding illness; and 16% have a very limiting longstanding illness. This is slightly better than the Wales average<sup>123</sup>.

However these average figures belie large health discrepancies within Cardiff. In 2010-14, the most disadvantaged men in Cardiff had 11 years less life expectancy than the most advantaged<sup>124</sup>, and 24.4 years less healthy life expectancy; for women this was respectively 9 years and 22 years. These inequalities are amongst the highest in Wales<sup>125</sup>. The difference in men's healthy life expectancy has worsened significantly since 2005-09 when it was 20.6 years; the other differences have not changed significantly<sup>126</sup>. In particular, residents of Ely, Butetown, Splott, Trowbridge and Llanrumney have worse than average health (Figure 3.7.1).

Interestingly, the rate of coronavirus infections to end January 2021 did not clearly mirror these health discrepancies. Trowbridge, Cathays, Grangetown and South Riverside had the highest rate of infections (Figure 3.7.2).

Cardiff's residents have healthier lifestyles than the Wales average: they eat more fruit/vegetables, do more physical activity, and are less likely to smoke <sup>127</sup>. However, more than half of Cardiff's population is overweight, obese or underweight; and almost one-quarter do less than 30 minutes of physical activity per week. Lifestyle significantly contributes to the likelihood of living with chronic conditions later in life <sup>128</sup>.

 $<sup>^{121}\</sup> https://planningonline.card iff.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do? active Tab=documents \& key Val=\_CARDIFF\_DCAPR\_133156$ 

<sup>122</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Health-and-Social-Care/Life-Expectancy-by-LocalAuthority-Gender. This is the most recent data available in early 2021.

<sup>123</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/National-Survey-for-Wales/Population-Health/Adult-general-health-and-illness/genhealthillness-by-localauthorityhealthboard

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>124</sup> According to the Slope index of inequality

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>125</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Health-and-Social-Care/Life-Expectancy/inequalitygapinlifeexpectancyandhealthylifeexpectancyatbirthslopeindexofinequalityinyears-by-localhealthboard-localauthority. This is from 2012-14, the most recent data available in early 2021.

<sup>126</sup> https://www.cardiffpartnership.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/Cardiff-in-2018-Final-English.pdf

<sup>127</sup> https://www.cardiffpartnership.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/Cardiff-in-2018-Final-English.pdf

<sup>128</sup> https://www.cardiffpartnership.co.uk/well-being-assessment/people-cardiff-healthy/

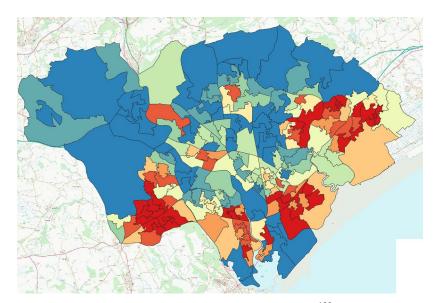


Figure 3.7.1 Index of Multiple Deprivation health 129

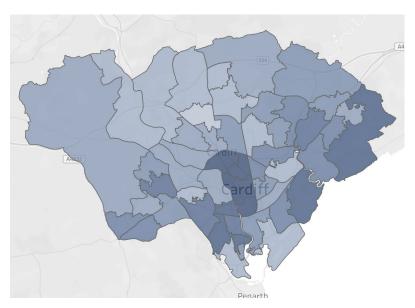


Figure 3.7.2 Cases of coronavirus in Cardiff, to 9 Feb 2021 (darkest shading is highest rate)<sup>130</sup>

# Crime levels have also broadly improved or remained steady

There were more than 48,000 notifiable offences in Cardiff in 2019, with the highest proportion being violence and sexual offences (25%), anti-social behaviour (19%) and shoplifting (9%)<sup>131</sup>. Overall recorded crime levels in Cardiff have dropped significantly over the last 15 years, driven by a sharp drop in vehicle offences, criminal damage and arson, and other theft offences. The south and east of the city is subject to higher levels of crime than elsewhere.

However, there has not been an equivalent fall in fear of crime. In 2018, less than half of survey respondents felt that Cardiff is safe, compared with more than 70% in 2016. Main reasons for feeling unsafe are anti-social or drunken behaviour; gangs, youths and beggars; and (for cyclists) dangerous drivers and lack of dedicated infrastructure. People with a disability or health conditions, and people living in the Southern Arc are particularly likely to feel unsafe<sup>132</sup>.

<sup>129</sup> See Figure 3.1.3 for legend

<sup>130</sup> https://public.tableau.com/profile/public.health.wales.health.protection#!/vizhome/RapidCOVID-19virology-Public/Headlinesummary

<sup>131</sup> https://www.cardiffpartnership.co.uk/well-being-assessment/people-cardiff-healthy/

### Cardiff's environmental quality – a determinant of health – is overall poor

The Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation brings together information about air quality, flood risk and green spaces into a physical environment index. Cardiff has the second-worst physical environment of the Welsh authorities after Newport: it has 22.5% of the most deprived 10% LSOAs in Wales, and 10% of Wales's most deprived 50% LSOAs<sup>133</sup>. Only Pentyrch and Radyr are in the least deprived 50%. Figure 3.7.3 shows that, under this index, Splott, Butetown, Grangetown and Lisvane fare particularly badly. This is because of poor air quality, which is discussed at Section 3.2; a lack of green spaces, which is discussed at Section 3.9; and likelihood of flooding which is discussed at Section 3.11.

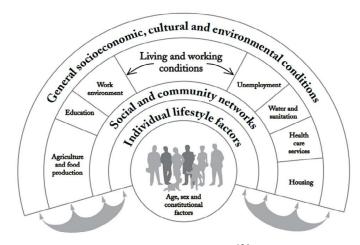


Figure 3.7.4 Determinants of health 134

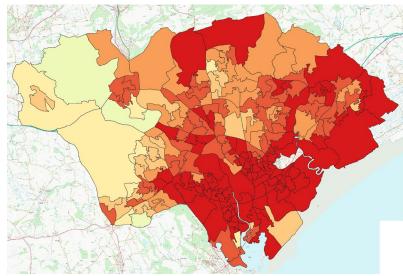


Figure 3.7.3 Index of Multiple Deprivation environment

Health is also affected by education, employment, access to services, housing quality, which are discussed at Sections 3.1 and 3.6 – see Figure 3.7.4.

 $<sup>^{132}\</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Your-Council/Have-your-say/Ask\%20Cardiff\%20Library/The\%20Cardiff\%20Economy\%20and\%20Labour\%20Market\_Apr\%2018\_Mar\%2019.pdf, \\ https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Your-Council/Have-your-say/Ask\%20Cardiff\%20Library/Ask\%20Cardiff\%202019\%20Report.pdf$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>133</sup> LSOA (Lower Layer Super Output Area) is the area used to analyse deprivation. It represents a population of 1000 – 1500. https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Community-Safety-and-Social-Inclusion/Welsh-Index-of-Multiple-Deprivation/WIMD-2019/localauthorityanalysis

<sup>134</sup> https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-profile-for-england-2018/chapter-6-wider-determinants-of-health

# Road safety has generally improved

Figure 3.7.5 shows that there has been a sharp downward trend in the number of slight injuries as a result of road accidents, rising again in 2019. However the number of people seriously injured or killed has reduced much more slowly. The number of young people killed or injured has significantly reduced over time. A 2018 survey found that 70% of respondents support the introduction of 20 mile per hour speed limits in residential and other suitable streets in Cardiff.

#### Likely future without the plan

Without more active intervention, the gap between the economic outcomes of different communities seems unlikely to reduce. Given the close correlation between economic and health outcomes, the gap in life expectancy and healthy life expectancy of the people who live in the richest and poorest part of the city seems likely to increase. NRW's South Central Wales Area Statement<sup>137</sup> aims to improve people's health through better access to nature and green infrastructure.

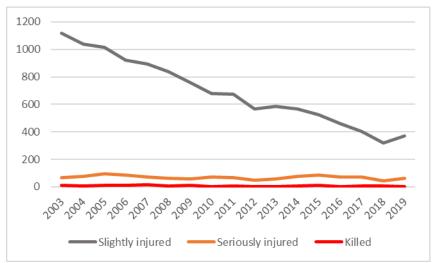


Figure 3.7.5 Road accident trends for Cardiff<sup>138</sup>

<sup>135</sup> https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/statistics-and-research/2019-09/police-recorded-road-accidents-2018-990.pdf

<sup>136</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Your-Council/Have-your-say/Ask%20Cardiff%20Library/The%20Cardiff%20Economy%20and%20Labour%20Market Apr%2018 Mar%2019.pdf

<sup>137</sup> https://naturalresources.wales/about-us/area-statements/south-central-wales-area-statement/?lang=en

<sup>138</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Transport/Roads/Road-Accidents/accidents/roadaccidents-by-severity-area

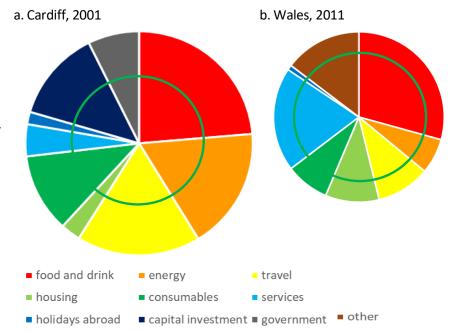
# 3.8 Land, soil and minerals

#### Introduction

Land is an essential requirement for development, and the basis for agriculture, open spaces and biodiversity interests. Agricultural land and allotments help to provide local food, as well as improving residents' physical and mental health. Brownfield land offers opportunities for development, although remediation may be required on sites that are contaminated from previous industrial activities, and many brownfield sites are biodiverse and used for recreation.

The Welsh Government's 2009 scheme for sustainable development, *One Wales: One Planet*<sup>139</sup>, includes Wales' ecological footprint as one of its five headline indicators (representing sustainable resource use). An ecological footprint is the total area of productive land and water ecosystems required to produce the resources that the population consumes and to assimilate the subsequent wastes<sup>140</sup>: it measures whether we are living within the bounds of the Earth's resources. In 2012, the Earth's total biocapacity was about 1.7 'global hectares' per person: with an increasing global population, this will reduce.

An ecological footprint analysis for Cardiff was carried out using 2001 data. This showed that Cardiff residents were using approximately 5.3 global hectares per person, or more than three times the global 'one planet' fair share <sup>141</sup>. A



**Figure 3.8.1 Ecological footprints.** The green circles represent the Earth's 'one planet' fair share. a. and b. are not comparable

subsequent analysis for Wales as a whole, using 2011 data and using a different methodology, showed the ecological footprint getting smaller but still being 1.2 - 1.8 times the global average 142. Cardiff's footprint at the time was slightly better than the Welsh average, in part because it had a lower carbon

<sup>139</sup> https://www.bridgend.gov.uk/media/1505/wd32.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>140</sup> Rees, E. (2000) Eco-footprint analysis: merits and brickbats. Ecological Economics 32(3), 371-4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>141</sup> Collins, A. and Fairchild, R. (2007) Sustainable food consumption at a sub-national level: An ecological footprint, nutritional and economic analysis. Journal of Environmental Policy and Planning 9(1), 5-30.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>142</sup> Stockholm Environmental Institute and GHD (2015) Ecological and carbon footprints of Wales, update to 2011, https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2019-04/ecological-and-carbon-footprint-of-wales-report.pdf.

footprint than the Welsh average, at 3.11gha compared to 3.28ha. Figure 3.8.1 shows that food production/transport, housing and transport are significant contributors to the Welsh and Cardiff ecological footprint.

# The proportion of housing completions on previously developed (brownfield) land is falling

At present, approximately two-thirds of the land in Cardiff is built up, and one-third is countryside or open space. About 10 years ago, new housing in Cardiff was almost solely on brownfield sites. Many of these were redeveloped as apartments, particularly in the Cardiff Bay and central areas of the city. Whilst this reduced the demand on greenfield sites, it also affected the range and choice of housing on supply, with implications for the provision of affordable housing, family housing and affordability in general.

The proportion of development on previously developed land has fallen since then, to 84% in 2016/17, 59% in 2017/18 and 58% in 2018/19<sup>143</sup>. The current Local Development Plan allocates seven strategic development sites, of which five are on greenfield land (Figure 3.8.1).



Figure 3.8.1 Strategic land allocations on greenfield land

<sup>143</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Planning/Local-Development-Plan/Annual-Monitoring-Report/Pages/Annual-Monitoring-Report.aspx

# Cardiff has good quality agricultural land in its valleys

Agricultural land is classified into five grades. Grades 1, 2 and 3a are the 'best and most versatile land': this is the land that is most flexible, productive and efficient in response to inputs. The Welsh Government published a map in 2017 which predicts agricultural land quality based on soil type, climate, wetness, drought, gradient, soil depth, stoniness and texture. The map suggests that Cardiff's river valleys are of Grade 1 and 2 quality, and the undeveloped land in the city is mostly Grade 3a and 3b. The ridge to the north of the city is generally not the best and most versatile land (Figure 3.8.2).

Agricultural land values in Wales rose sharply before the recession, driven in part by a sharp reduction in the land available for sale, and the higher values that non-farmers were willing to pay (Savills Agricultural Land Market Survey 2009). However they fell again prior to 2020, in part due to falling commodity prices and uncertainty around Brexit<sup>144</sup>. The impact of the coronavirus pandemic on land values is unclear.

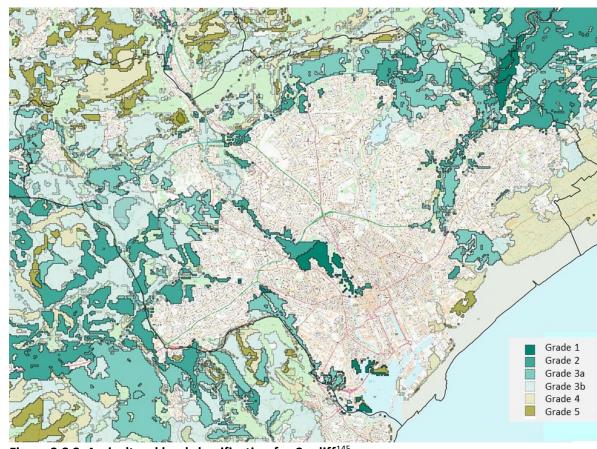


Figure 3.8.2 Agricultural land classification for Cardiff<sup>145</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>144</sup> https://www.dailypost.co.uk/news/local-news/farmland-values-plunge-wales-farmers-17222717

<sup>145</sup> https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/sum.12380

### Cardiff's allotments are important for people's health and food security, but they are oversubscribed

Allotments play an important part in improving people's health. Not only do they offer the opportunity to grow food but they also provide an excellent form of outdoor activity, exercise, relaxation, and a place where people can meet each other. Cardiff's former allotments strategy suggested that a minimum of 15 plots should be provided per 1000 households<sup>146</sup>. The current provision of 2500 allotments is 5% more than this, although there are still waiting lists for most of the allotment sites<sup>147</sup>.

# As a result of Cardiff's industrial past, many sites could potentially be contaminated

Past industrial activities have contaminated land in various ways over many years. Cardiff Council is aware of about 1410 hectares of potentially contaminated land, including industrial, mining and quarrying, dockland and former waste disposal sites. Some contaminated land sites only come to the Council's attention when developers undertake site investigations on land being considered for future development, so this number could increase in the future.

Development of contaminated land has the advantage of cleaning up land and securing regeneration although this incurs additional costs. When brownfield sites are redeveloped, they are usually done so on a 'suitable for use' basis, and as such the remediation undertaken on the sites depends on the proposed end use<sup>148</sup>. Most remediation involves engineering practices, for instance capping over the existing contaminated land with imported clean soils, thus encapsulating the contamination. Whilst this is an effective remediation methodology in that it breaks the pathways and exposure to the contamination, it does not reduce/ breakdown or remove the contamination from the site.

The Council has published a Contaminated Land Inspection Strategy (Cardiff Council 2010) that provides a framework to identify, inspect and remediate contaminated land.

# Cardiff has sufficient mineral reserves to last about 20 years

Mineral resources are a valuable but finite resource. They provide the essential raw materials for buildings, infrastructure and their maintenance. An adequate and steady supply of minerals is essential to the national, regional and local economy and their exploitation makes a significant contribution to economic prosperity and quality of life.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>146</sup> This is equivalent to the 1993 average for England (Cardiff allotments strategy 2005).

<sup>147</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Leisure-parks-and-culture/Allotments/Pages/default.aspx

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>148</sup> For instance, the remediation undertaken on a site for commercial/industrial development would not be suitable to accommodate residential purposes, so if such a site was considered for residential development in the future, some form of additional remedial works would probably be required.

Cardiff is one of the largest producers and consumers of minerals in the region. Natural minerals in Cardiff include quarried hard rock (carboniferous limestone and dolomite) and dredged sand landed in Cardiff Docks. In 2018, crushed rock production in Cardiff was just over a million tonnes (mt) per year<sup>149</sup>. Most of this natural mineral production is used in the construction industry as aggregates. Secondary materials, including steelworks slag, also substitute for natural aggregates, and a significant quantity of construction and demolition waste is recycled as aggregate.

Cardiff's permitted reserves of hard rock minerals in 2020 represented about 20 years of supply<sup>150</sup>. The land bank will continue to decrease as the reserves are quarried, highlighting the need to protect them from inappropriate development. The adopted LDP includes a Preferred Area for mineral working and this can be rolled forward into the RLDP to meet this requirement.

# Likely future without the plan

The Welsh and Cardiff ecological footprint seems to be reducing <sup>151</sup> although, as for other Global North countries, it is still significantly above the one planet 'fare share'. Improvements in energy efficiency and production of renewable energy will support this positive trend, as will reductions in the need to travel. The role of Brexit is uncertain, but it may lead to more food being grown more locally than before.

The amount of greenfield land in Cardiff will shrink as development proceeds on the five greenfield strategic sites. Unless more allotment sites are made available, as Cardiff's population rises, the amount of allotment land per capita will go down and allotment targets may no longer be reached. Although existing permitted reserves of minerals still represent a significant land bank, in order to ensure there continues to be a 10 year crushed rock landbank, further resources are likely to need to be allocated in the RLDP.

<sup>149</sup> https://www.swansea.gov.uk/media/37671/Regional-Technical-Statements-for-the-North-Wales-and-South-Wales-Regional-Aggregate-Working-Parties---2nd-Review---Main-Document/pdf/Regional\_Technical\_Statements\_for\_the\_North\_Wales\_and\_South\_Wales\_Regional\_Aggregate\_Working\_Parties.pdf
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>151</sup> See introduction to this section

# 3.9 Landscape and open space

#### Introduction

Cardiff has a unique landscape setting comprising an island, coastline, three major river valleys and a countryside backdrop of distinctive topography. The Garth Mountain, Caerphilly Mountain and Graig Llanishen provide a strong and imposing backdrop along the northern edge to the city. The ridge rises to a thousand feet above sea level on the summit of Garth Mountain and has a pronounced escarpment together with lower slopes leading down to the M4 and northern edge of the urban area. The ridge, forming the southern rim of the South Wales coalfields, is dramatically broken where the River Taff breaks through, forming the Taff Gorge at Tongwnlias. Much of the west of the urban area is enclosed by the Leckwith Escarpment, which forms a strong physical and visual backdrop. In contrast to the strong topography to the north and west, the eastern edge of the city, adjacent to the Severn Estuary, is flat. It forms part of a much larger historic landscape unit, the Gwent Levels, which extends alongside the River Severn beyond Newport.

# Three major river valleys run through the city

Three major river valleys run through Cardiff. The valleys contain large areas of open space and are a significant determinant of the urban form of the city. They also provide a valued resource for recreation, amenity (connection with nature in a city), biodiversity, historic and cultural interests, although the fact that they are highly modified reduces their biodiversity and increases their flooding risk.

The River Taff valley has strong historic links as it provided an important corridor for the movement of goods between Cardiff Docks and the South Wales Valleys. It is well accessed by local communities along its whole length and a National Cycleway, the Taff Trail, follows its length in Cardiff and beyond to the Brecon Beacons. It forms a significant and well-known feature, passing through Llandaff, the City Centre and Cardiff Bay.

The River Ely merges with the Taff in Cardiff Bay and forms the administrative boundary with the Vale of Glamorgan for its lower length. Its western section in the vicinity of St Fagans is of particularly high landscape, biodiversity and historic value.

To the east of the city, the River Rhymney forms a well-defined valley and contains the only tidal estuary in the city (as the Taff and Ely run into Cardiff Bay that is held within a barrage to the Severn Estuary). Visually, the valley is very prominent as the A48, a main route into the city, follows the western edge of the valley into the city.

Tributaries to the rivers also add to Cardiff's range of landscape features. Most are small streams with catchments from within the city. However, some have become important corridors in their own right such as the Nant Fawr which contains a range of well-used open spaces including Roath Park, a major attraction of Green Flag status. Action plans have been prepared for all three river valleys detailed above.

#### The coastline presents complex issues and opportunities

Cardiff has a coastline on the River Severn Estuary with its huge tidal range, but its characteristics and accessibility are very mixed. The Cardiff Bay Barrage provides public access to the coast in the west but the shoreline to the east along the operational dock area and to the south of the steel works/ sewerage station is not currently accessible. To the east of the Rhymney estuary lies the Lamby Way landfill site, and part of a much longer stretch of undeveloped coastline running to Newport.

The undeveloped coast contains mudflats and rapidly eroding saltings below the high water mark. A sea wall then runs along the whole length of coast to Newport. The flat land behind forms part of the Gwent Levels, an area of land reclaimed from the sea in Roman times that is drained by a complex of ditches known as reens. This land is below high water level, hence the need for a sea wall. The Gwent Levels are a Site of Special Scientific Interest and a Historic Landscape, important for biodiversity and ecosystem resilience.

# **Cardiff has six Special Landscape Areas**

Special Landscape Areas (SLAs) indicate parts of Cardiff's landscape that are considered to be of quality meriting local designation: development that causes unacceptable harm to the character and quality of the landscape in SLAs is not permitted. Cardiff has six SLAs (Figure 3.5.1): St Fagans Lowlands and the Ely Valley, Wentloog Levels, Flat Holm, Garth Hill and Pentyrch Ridges, and Fforest Fawr and Caerphilly Ridge. The last two of these are key areas for woodland ecosystem resilience.

# Cardiff has eleven main landscape character areas

A 2007 landscape character area review 152 identified eleven landscape character areas (Figure 3.9.1):

- 1. Garth Hill Uplands: A prominent, distinctive backdrop to the wider Cardiff area.
- 2. Pentyrch Ridges and Valleys: Area of 'ridge and valley' landscape which contrasts to the steep uplands of Garth Hill to the north and the more gently undulating lowlands to the south.
- 3. Western Lowlands: An undulating lowland landscape. Despite being dissected by roads such as the M4 motorway, it forms a largely homogenous agricultural landscape.
- 4. St. Fagans Lowlands and Ely Valley: Lowland area with a river valley and 'estate' parkland character.
- 5. River Taff Corridor: Valley landscape comprising the flat alluvial plain of the River Taff.

<sup>152</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Planning/Local-Development-Plan/EvidenceBaseDocs/A%20review%20of%20Landscape%20Character%20Areas.pdf

- Fforest Fawr & Caerphilly Ridge: Steep limestone and sandstorm ridges and scarp that form a prominent backdrop for the city.
- 7. Caerphilly Ridge Foothills: Broad tract of gently undulating countryside between the foot of the Caerphilly ridge and the M4 corridor.
- 8. Eastern Lowlands: Rolling lowland countryside on the eastern edge of Cardiff, characterised by agricultural land use and hedgerows.
- 9. River Rhymney Corridor: Key green corridor of somewhat disparate land uses.
- 10. Wentloog Levels: Part of the low-lying landscape of reclaimed coastal marshes known as the Gwent Levels. Characterised by a network of field draws reens the area has been subject to development pressures.
- 11. Flat Holm: A low, almost circular island situated in the Bristol Channel about 5 miles south-east of Cardiff.



Figure 3.9.1 Landscape character areas

# Cardiff is generally well served by open spaces within the urban area, but some areas are under-provided

Green/open spaces are important because they improve people's mental and physical health, encourage physical activity, are attractive, support biodiversity, act as a carbon sink, and can help to adapt to climate change. This has been particularly shown during the coronavirus pandemic, which has limited people's ability undertake other forms of recreation. Figure 3.9.2 shows all open space in Cardiff (including space that is not publicly accessible).

The Welsh Government recommends that 2.43 hectares (6 acres) of open space should be provided per 1000 population, divided into formal, informal and children's play areas. The latest survey of open space shows that there are 1.17ha of functional open space <sup>153</sup> per 1000 population in Cardiff, compared to an equivalent figure of 1.18ha two years earlier <sup>154</sup>. If educational playing fields are included, this figure increases to 1.88ha; and if all types of open space are included, the figure is 8.03ha of open space per 1,000 population, well in excess of the indicator target and a rise of 8% when compared to 2016/17. Significant additional functional open space will be provided in conjunction with the large strategic housing sites which are at the very early stages of development or are yet to commence.

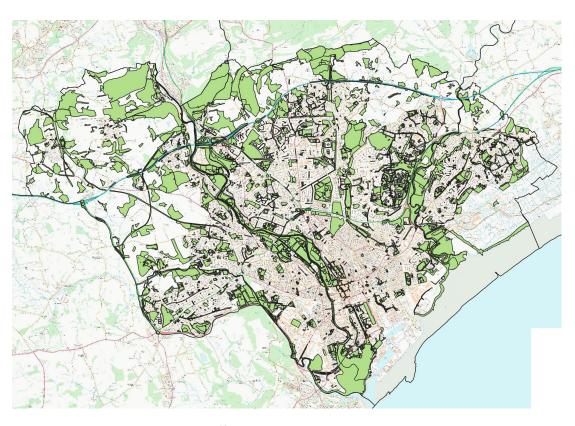


Figure 3.9.2 All open space in Cardiff

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>153</sup> Functional open space is open space that is capable of defined recreational use or multiple uses. These uses will include formal and informal sport and recreation, children's play and provision for teenagers although the balance of defined uses may change with time according to local demand. Open space is all open space of public value, including not just land, but also areas of water such as rivers, canals, lakes and reservoirs which offer important opportunities for sport, recreation and tourism, and can also act as a visual amenity, and may have conservation and biodiversity importance.

<sup>154</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Planning/Local-Development-Plan/Annual-Monitoring-Report/Documents/Cardiff%20LDP%203rd%20AMR%20English%20Version%20Final.pdf

However, Figure 3.9.2 shows that some areas of Cardiff are particularly deficient in open space. These include Cathays/Plasnewydd/Adamstown, Splott/Butetown, and Canton/Riverside. The areas with the least access to greenspaces coincide with some of the areas which have the poorer health (Figure 3.7.1) and environmental quality (Figure 3.7.3).

According to the Ask Cardiff 2019 survey, 87% of Cardiff's residents had visited a local park in the month before the survey; three-quarters had visited another outside space; and two-thirds had visited a river, lake or canal; and the beach/sea/coast (Figure 3.9.3). This is likely to have increased during the coronavirus pandemic.

Cardiff was awarded a record 10 green flags for its parks in 2016. 78.5% of respondents to the 2019 Ask Cardiff survey were satisfied with Cardiff's parks and open spaces<sup>156</sup>.

A study on the value (in terms of increased house prices) of good access to green spaces found that the average value in Cardiff of being located near green space was about £4200 in 2019, or about 2% of house price<sup>157</sup>. Again, this is likely to have increased as a result of the pandemic.

### Likely future without the plan

Cardiff is becoming more urbanised, with higher density buildings, and more development on greenfield sites. These changes will be particularly notable at the strategic development sites in the current Local Development Plan.

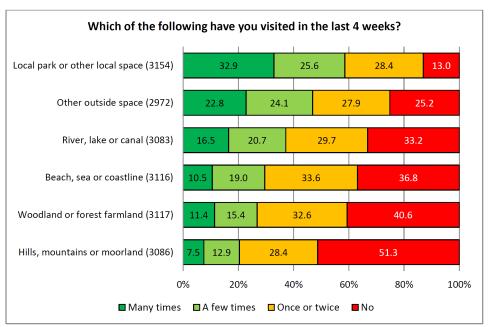


Figure 3.9.3 Cardiff resident visits to green spaces 158

Any deficits in green spaces are likely to be exacerbated as Cardiff's population increases, works more from home, and understands the value of green spaces.

Climate change is likely to increase the need for green spaces to reduce the urban heat island effect; but also increase the likelihood and severity of flooding, with associated impacts on land and landscape.

<sup>155</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Your-Council/Have-your-say/Ask%20Cardiff%20Library/Ask%20Cardiff%202019%20Report.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>156</sup> Ibid.

<sup>157</sup> https://www.ons.gov.uk/economy/environmentalaccounts/articles/valuinggreenspacesinurbanareas/ahedonicpriceapproachusingmachinelearningtechniques

# **3.10 Waste**

#### Introduction

The Welsh Government has set challenging targets for recycling and composting which are driving change towards more sustainable waste management practice: Welsh local authorities must recycle at least 64% of municipal recyclable waste by April 2020, and at least 70% by 2024/25.

Little is known about construction and demolition waste, and industrial and commercial waste, which account for most of the waste in South East Wales

Construction and demolition waste has historically been the biggest component of waste in South East Wales, accounting for more than half of all waste produced (55% in 2005/06) – see Figure 3.10.1. Data about construction and demolition waste are collected only sporadically and in non-comparable manners, so the current situation is unknown. Data on industrial and commercial waste, which accounted for 25% of all waste in South East Wales in 2005/06, are also collected only sporadically. Waste prevention targets are for a 1.4% annual reduction for industrial waste, and 1.2% annual reduction for commercial waste.

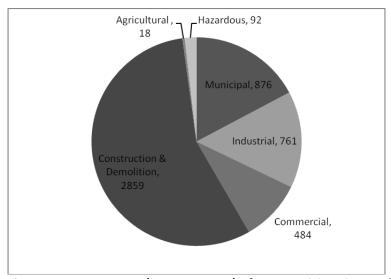


Figure 3.10.1 Amount (in 000 tonnes) of waste arisings in South East Wales, 2005/06 (South East Wales Regional Waste Group, 2008)

# Recycling rates are improving rapidly following the completion of a new recycling facility and rolling out a recycling scheme

Cardiff's recycling and composting rates for municipal waste were historically significantly below the Welsh average: only 10% of the municipal waste stream was recycled in 2004/05 compared to a Welsh recycling rate of 22%. However this improved rapidly with the roll-out of an integrated kerbside recycling scheme. By 2019, Cardiff was recycling about 60% of its waste<sup>159</sup>. In 2018, the council further expanded the provision of wheeled bins, and trialled a separate glass collection.

<sup>158</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/Your-Council/Have-your-say/Ask%20Cardiff%20Library/Ask%20Cardiff%202019%20Report.pdf

 $<sup>^{159}\</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Environment-and-Countryside/Waste-Management/Local-Authority-Municipal-Waste/municipalwastearisings-by-local authority-quarter$ 

### Per person waste has declined significantly

Because of the rapid increase in Cardiff's population, the total municipal waste produced in Cardiff has not been decreasing significantly. However, residual waste per person (waste that cannot be recycled or reused and is sent to energy recovery or disposal) has been declining steadily (Figure 3.10.2), from more than 500kg/yr in 2012/13 to 378kg/yr in 2018/19.

# Cardiff's landfills have shut and energy recovery facilities have opened

The amount of waste going to landfill has also declined rapidly, from 118,368 tonnes in 2008/09 to 55,610 tonnes in 2014/15. The last remaining landfill site in Cardiff, at Lamby Way, was closed in 2017 and capped in 2018. Since 2015, most of Cardiff's non-recyclable waste has been going to the Cardiff Energy Recovery Facility at Trident Park: this handles 350,000 tonnes of waste per year and generates 30MW of energy. Cardiff's food waste goes to an anaerobic digestion plant at Tide Fields Road, Splott.



Figure 3.10.2 Total municipal waste collected and residual waste per person<sup>160</sup>

# Likely future without the plan

There is considerable uncertainty regarding the future amount and type of waste generated by Cardiff residents. Factors affecting waste growth include population changes; consumer behaviour; the effectiveness of waste minimisation strategies (including any changes to such strategies post-Brexit); and the economic prosperity of the region.

The Welsh Government has set a target to local authorities of recycling at least 70% of their recyclables by 2024/25. Its March 2021 'Beyond Recycling' strategy supports a 'circular economy', better resource efficiency, waste reduction, high rates of recycling, and procurement of goods made from remanufactured, refurbished and recycled materials<sup>161</sup>. Because of its success in recycling, and thus reducing the need to burn waste, in March 2021, the Welsh Government instituted a moratorium on large-scale (>10MW) energy from waste plants. Smaller energy from waste plants will only be permitted if there is a local need for such facilities<sup>162</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>160</sup> https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Environment-and-Countryside/Waste-Management/Local-Authority-Municipal-Waste/municipalwastearisings-by-localauthority-quarter; https://statswales.gov.wales/Catalogue/Environment-and-Countryside/Waste-Management/Local-Authority-Municipal-Waste/annualresidualhouseholdwasteproducedperperson-by-localauthority

<sup>161</sup> https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2021-03/beyond-recycling-strategy-document.pdf

<sup>162</sup> https://gov.wales/wales-takes-action-circular-economy-funding-upcoming-reforms-plastic-and-moratorium-large-scale

# 3.11 Water and flooding

Water quality supports biodiversity and health; and healthy rivers, lakes, streams and other blue spaces are an important recreational amenity, improving wellbeing and boosting the economy. Water resources and flooding are becoming an increasingly important issue in the light of climate change.

#### The water quality of the rivers Taff, Ely and Rhymney is 'bad to moderate'

The water quality of Cardiff's major rivers has historically been degraded due to mining activities, urban run-off and extensive physical modifications <sup>163</sup>. Water quality has improved over time as improvements were made to drainage systems and mining-related activities ceased upstream. However the River Ely and its catchment are still in bad condition, and the Taff and Rhymney rivers and catchments are only in moderate condition (Figure 3.11.1). Groundwater quality in the area is good <sup>164</sup>.

The major issues for Cardiff's rivers relate to physical modifications: barriers to fish migration from weirs and impoundments, flood defence structures, urban modifications and land drainage on the Wentloog levels. In the heavily populated areas of Cardiff, there is also pressure from urban diffuse pollution, sewage and misconnections. Minewaters also continue to affect river quality<sup>165</sup>.

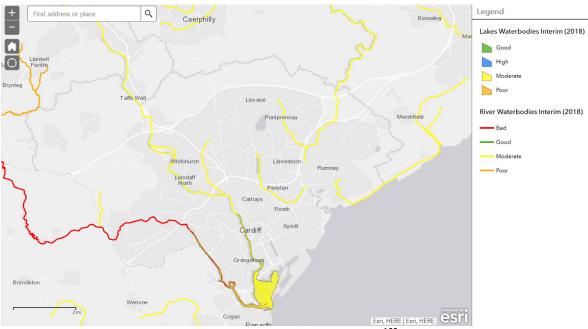


Figure 3.11.1 Water quality in Cardiff's rivers and waterbodies 166

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>163</sup> https://naturalresources.wales/media/3217/south-east-valleys-management-catchment.pdf

<sup>164</sup> https://waterwatchwales.naturalresourceswales.gov.uk/en/

<sup>165</sup> https://naturalresources.wales/media/679387/2016 updated-south-east valleys catchment summary nrw.pdf

<sup>166</sup> https://waterwatchwales.naturalresourceswales.gov.uk/en/

# Water supplies for Cardiff are secure to 2039/40

Cardiff is part of the SEWCUS<sup>167</sup> Water Resource Zone supplied by Dŵr Cymru. Water for the SEWCUS zone comes from over 40 sources, but mostly from five major reservoirs: Usky, Talybont, Llandegfedd, Taff Fawr (Llwynon, Cantref and Beacons reservoirs), and Pontsticill. The water company has determined that there will be (just) enough water for the SEWCUS zone to 2039/40 under a range of assumptions about future population, per person water use, leakage reductions and climate change (Figure 3.11.2). If, instead, population in the zone grows faster than expected, there would be a deficit in water supply<sup>168</sup>.

# Flooding poses a particular threat to Cardiff due to its coastal location, low lying areas and rivers

Because Cardiff is so low-lying, flood risk is potentially the most serious problem associated with climate change. The Environment Agency's 2018 preliminary flood risk assessment for the Severn<sup>169</sup> identifies Cardiff - and



Figure 3.11.2 Water supply v. demand in the SEWCUS Water Resource Zone

particularly the communities of St. Mellons, Roath, Grangetown, Riverside and Canton – of being at significant risk of flooding. Figure 3.11.3 shows areas of Cardiff at risk of flooding.

In 2013, about 22,000 people in Cardiff were at low risk of flooding, 2,800 were at medium risk, and almost 1,000 were at high risk of flooding. This will have increased as Cardiff's population has increased. Effects of flooding include subsidence, spreading of contaminants, increased insurance premiums and damage to the image of Cardiff. Economic activities and infrastructure are also affected, as can be seen at Table 3.11.1.

The natural environment can also be affected, for instance through flooding of sites for environmental permitting regulations (industrial emissions) and licensed abstractions (use of water for industrial purposes). This is particularly a problem in the south-east of Cardiff<sup>170</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>167</sup> South East Wales Conjunctive Use System

<sup>168</sup> https://www.dwrcymru.com/-/media/Files/My-Water/Water-Resources/DCWW-Final-WRMP19-Main-Technical-Report-Mar-19.pdf

<sup>169</sup> https://cdn.naturalresources.wales/media/687716/pfra-severn.pdf. (Dec. 2018)

<sup>170</sup> https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Community-safety/Flood-and-Coastal-Erosion-Risk-Management/Documents/Cardiff%20Flood%20Risk%20Management%20Plan.pdf

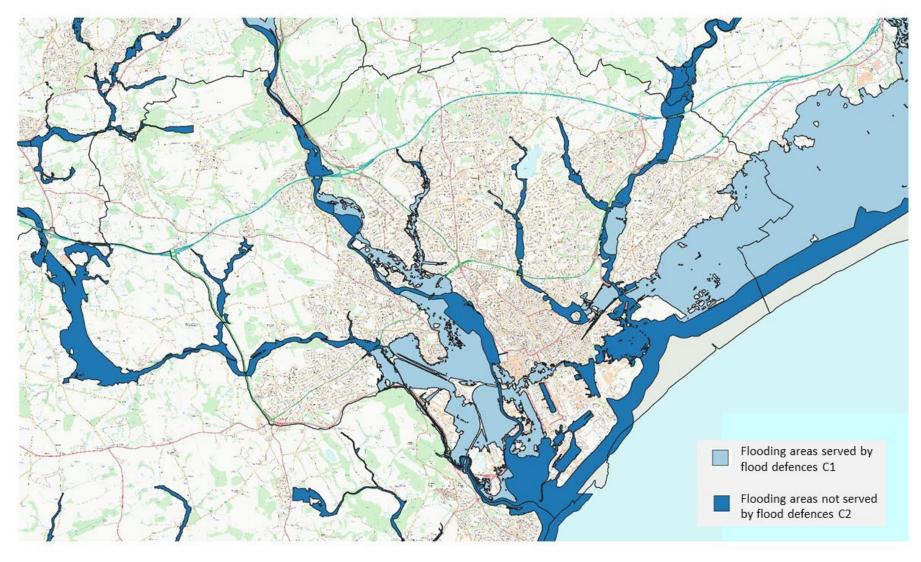


Figure 3.11.3 Areas at risk of flooding

The following factors affect flood risk in Cardiff:

• The completion of the Barrage enclosing Cardiff Bay has provided protection against tidal flooding for Cardiff Bay. During storm surges the sluices for regulating the water level within the Bay must be kept closed, creating a "tidal lock". During times of tidal lock the water level in the Bay will steadily increase as both the Rivers Taff and Ely disgorge into it. With sea levels predicted to increase as climate change occurs, the time the bay experiences tidal lock will grow, increasing the likelihood that the Taff and Ely will start to back up. This could have major implications for the Bay and develop-

	Total in the study area	Low flood risk (between 1 in 100 and 1 in 1000 per year)	Medium flood risk (between 1 in 30 and 1 in 100 per year)	High flood risk (greater than 1 in 30 per year)
People	278,654	22,010	2,808	938
Services*	296	30	7	0
Non-residential properties	17,674	1,849	325	127
Roads (km)	49	11	5	3
Rail (km)	43	4	2	4
Agricultural land (ha)	1,464	81	25	18

<sup>\*</sup> schools, hospitals, nursing/care/retirement homes, police stations, fire and ambulance stations, prisons, sewage treatment works and electricity installations

Table 3.11.1 People and property in Cardiff at risk of flooding <sup>171</sup>

ment along the lower stretches of the Taff and Ely, particularly during times when the rivers are transporting large volumes of water as a result of heavy rainfall.

- Wentloog is at risk of flooding due to its low-lying nature, predicted sea level rise, and some areas where coastal defences are at risk of overtopping. This will place the mud flats and sea wall under increasing pressure, particularly during storm surges due to the tidal nature of the Severn Estuary. Several sites in the Wentloog area have extant planning permissions.
- The lower reaches of the River Rymney are at particular risk of flooding during the storm surges when the level of the estuary can rise dramatically, combined with predicted sea level rises and the increased flow volumes of the Rumney.
- Surface water flooding is also an issue. 'Greener Grangetown' is an example of how this can be dealt with through a sustainable drainage project.

# Likely future without the plan

Water quality is an ongoing concern, with Cardiff's rivers unlikely to reach 'good' condition by the European Water Framework Directive's deadline of 2027 (though the UK may choose to implement different water quality legislation). Dŵr Cymru's Water Resource Management Plan shows that water resources should be adequate to 2039. Flooding is already a significant issue in Cardiff, and is likely to become worse over time, with climate change and sea level rise.

<sup>171</sup> https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/456967/LIT8969\_FloodRiskMaps\_Severn\_SurfaceWater\_v2.pdf

# 4 Existing sustainability problems and issues (Task A4)

The SEA Directive requires a description of "any existing environmental problems which are relevant to the plan or programme including, in particular, those relating to [Special Protection Areas and Special Areas of Conservation]" (Annex Id).

Based on the information in Chapters 2 and 3, Table 4.1 lists key current sustainability problems and issues for Cardiff. The final column of Table 4.1 summarises the likely future conditions in Cardiff if the current Local Development Plan were to continue, without the RLDP being put in place. This will be important later in the assessment process, when the ISA considers the cumulative impacts of the RLDP plus other actions.

Table 4.1 Key sustainability issues and main problems for Cardiff

Key:

Topic:	Main sustainability problem			Not main problem		
Current	Good Relatively		Intermediate	Relatively Poor		Unknown
status, likely	condition	good	condition	poor	condition	condition
future:		condition		condition		

Topic	Current status	Likely future without the RLDP
1. Access, equality and population		
The population of Cardiff will increase by 2039 the scale of this increase.	9, although forecasts differ about	
<ul> <li>The cost of housing - particularly family housincomes from entering the housing market.</li> <li>and choice of housing for this population groinfrastructure) is a key sustainability issue.</li> </ul>	Providing an appropriate range	
Cardiff has a much higher proportion of your than the Welsh average, and its population i		
<ul> <li>Cardiff contains some of the most deprived a there is a concentration of deprivation in the hotspots exist elsewhere.</li> </ul>		
Unemployment benefits claims have double pandemic.	d during the coronavirus	
<ul> <li>Cardiff has a significant number of homeless been housed during the coronavirus panden remains uncertain.</li> </ul>		
2. Air quality		
There are four air quality management areas in Although air quality in the city is generally important.		

**Topic** Current Likely status future without the **RLDP** trends, and this may be helped by changes post-pandemic, the Cardiff City AQMA in particular still consistently has NO<sub>2</sub> levels above legal standards. Levels of particulates (PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub>) are a concern. 3. Biodiversity, flora and fauna ? ? The city's internationally important nature conservation sites – the Cardiff Beech Woods SAC and the Severn Estuary SAC/SPA/Ramsar – are broadly in good condition, but are affected by recreational pressures and urbanisation. The Severn Estuary's wetland birds are particularly negatively affected by recreational pressures and habitat loss. Little information exists about Cardiff's biodiversity more generally, which will limit the ability to predict the impacts of the RLDP. 4. Climate change Cardiff aims to become carbon neutral by 2030. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are already reducing, but much too slowly to achieve this target without immediate additional action. Although walking, cycling and public transport use have gradually increased over time, before the coronavirus pandemic 50% of commuting journeys were still by car. Cardiff's growing population is likely to lead to more car journeys, with associated poor air quality, traffic accidents and poor health; although this may be partly offset by lifestyle changes post-pandemic. Cardiff is a major attractor of in-commuters from other parts of South East Wales. Energy use in buildings is responsible for about one-third of Cardiff's greenhouse gas emissions: new buildings need to be more energy efficient. 5. Cultural heritage and the historic environment ? Cardiff's cultural and historic attractions attract large numbers of visitors each year and perform an important national/regional role. A live music arena is expected to open in 2024. In 2015, 27 of Cardiff's listed buildings were at risk, and 116 were vulnerable. An increasing number of Cardiff residents speak Welsh. The Bilingual Cardiff Strategy Action Plan 2019 - 2022 supports using the Welsh language as a unique selling point for Cardiff. 6. Economy ? Maintaining Cardiff's performance is vital for the economic well-being of the region and Wales. Cardiff has been experienced strong jobs growth, and almost half of Cardiff's employees are in one of the Welsh Government's priority sectors. However the coronavirus pandemic has had devastating effects on the retail and hospitality sectors.

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Тор	pic	Current status	Likely future without the RLDP
•	Cardiff's workforce is polarised between more highly-qualified and low or unskilled workers; there are significant concentrations of unemployment in parts of the city; and the education and skill base of Cardiff's population varies significantly.		
•	Significant areas of employment land have been changing to other uses (notably housing) as a result of changing employment patterns and market conditions.		
7. F	lealth and well-being		
•	The health of Cardiff's population is generally slightly better than the Welsh average, but over half of Cardiff's adults are overweight or obese.		
•	The 'southern arc' of the city ranks poorly on a wide range of criteria in the Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation. Health inequalities in the city are particularly stark, with the most disadvantaged groups in Cardiff having a healthy life expectancy 20+ years less than the least disadvantaged groups.		
•	The coronavirus pandemic has shown the importance of access to green spaces for mental and physical wellbeing.		
•	Crime levels in Cardiff have slightly fallen over time, but fear of crime has increased.		
8. L	and, soil and minerals		
•	Cardiff's ecological footprint exceeds the global 'fare share'		
•	Whereas almost all new housing was built on brownfield land ten years ago, most recently it has been 58-59%. The current LDP has allocated large new greenfield sites for development.		
•	Cardiff's allotments are important for people's health and food security, but they are oversubscribed, and more will be needed.		
•	Cardiff's grade 2 and 3 land is important for people's health a food security.		
9. L	andscape		
•	Cardiff has a distinctive landscape setting, and has six Special Landscape Areas where development may be restricted on landscape grounds.		
•	Cardiff has 1.17ha of functional open space per 1000 population, compared to the Welsh Assembly Government's recommended 2.43ha. If all types of open space are included, the figure is 8.03ha of open space per 1,000 population.		
10.	Waste		
•	Construction/demolition waste is the largest contributor to the waste stream, followed by commercial/industrial and municipal (household) waste. Little is known about quantities produced or proportion recycled.		
•	Total municipal waste production has stayed broadly the same over the past decade, but per-person waste production has dropped sharply.		

Тор	pic	Current status	Likely future without the RLDP
•	Recycling in Cardiff has increased sharply, from 10% in 2004 to about 60% currently.		
11.	Water and flooding		
•	Water quality in most of Cardiff's waterbodies is moderate (poor in River Ely) putting biodiversity and population health and wellbeing at risk.		
•	Water supplies are expected to be adequate over the RLDP period, although water efficiency measures are needed.		
•	Large areas of Cardiff are at flood risk due to the city's low-lying nature. The communities of St. Mellons, Roath, Grangetown, Riverside and Canton are at particular risk.		

# 5 ISA Framework (Task A5)

Two Integrated Sustainability Appraisal (ISA) frameworks will be used to assess the sustainability of the emerging RLDP. These have been amended slightly in response to consultation comments. A policy-level framework – shown at Table 5.1 - will be used to assess the plan vision, objectives, strategic alternatives, and policies. Many of the objectives and indicators in the framework relate to each other: for instance, minimising the need to travel is good for health, air quality, biodiversity and community. Criteria will be:

	Major negative compared to the current situation
-	Minor negative compared to the current situation
+/-	Both positive and negative
0	Neutral effect.
+	Minor positive compared to the current situation
++	Major positive compared to the current situation
?	Uncertain - Uncertain or unknown effect.

A site-level framework – Table 5.2 - will be used to assess candidate sites for development. This is because more detailed and quantitative information is needed to allow development sites to be assessed and compared. Additionally, some ISA criteria that are relevant at the strategic level are either not relevant at the site level (e.g. because the details of the potential future development are unknown or unclear) or would be similar for all sites (e.g. waste management). The distances in Table 5.2 are consistent with distances used by the Chartered Institute of Highways and Transportation for journeys on foot. Table 5.2 is based only on the location and characteristics of the site, not the characteristics of possible development on the site: this is because much of the impact of development relates to the site itself, and because proposed developments can change significantly from initial discussions with planners to final planning permission.

Tables 5.1 and 5.2 will inform, but not make, council decisions about what policies and sites to take forward. Where Tables 5.1 and 5.2 identify significant negative impacts (e.g. the site includes a Special Landscape Area), mitigation measures will be recommended (e.g. not building in the SLA part of the site).

Table 5.3 shows how the ISA frameworks fit with the Welsh Government's seven Well-Being Goals. The ISA process also supports the government's Well-Being Ways of Working:

- Long-term: The ISA identifies the likely future situation in the absence of the plan; predicts the emerging RLDP's impacts; and identifies long-term impacts and needs
- Integration: The ISA considers how the RLDP will impact on different sustainability objectives
- Involvement: Both the emerging RLDP and its ISA will be open to public involvement at various stages (see Sec. 1.1 and 6)
- Collaboration: The ISA has required, and will require, the collaboration of a range of players (e.g. planners, ecologists, transport planners) to identify significant impacts and propose mitigation for any significant negative impacts
- Prevention: The ISA by definition aims to prevent significant negative impacts of the emerging RLDP.

Table 5.1 ISA framework for the RLDP vision, objectives, strategic alternatives and policies

ISA objective	Sub Objectives: Will the vision/objective/alternative/policy	Indicators and wished-for direction of change $(\downarrow \text{ or } \uparrow)$
Help deliver     equality of     opportunity and     access for all	<ul> <li>Meet the need of Cardiff's population for homes, jobs and community facilities</li> <li>Address existing imbalances of inequality, deprivation and exclusion</li> <li>Improve access to education, life-long learning and training opportunities</li> <li>Improve access to affordable housing and employment opportunities, particularly for disadvantaged sections of society</li> <li>Improve access to community facilities and services, particularly for young and elderly people</li> <li>Support the regeneration of deprived areas</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Population size</li> <li>No. households and average household size</li> <li>Average house price compared to average annual salary ↓</li> <li>No. and % of Cardiff's lower super output areas in the most deprived 10% lower super output areas for Wales ↓</li> <li>% of residents on unemployment benefits ↓</li> <li>No. and % of domestic units that are provided for affordable housing per year ↑</li> <li>No. homelessness presentations received by Cardiff Council per 1000 households annually ↓</li> </ul>
2. Maintain and improve air quality	<ul> <li>Reduce the need to travel through the location and design of new development, provision of public transport infrastructure and promotion of cycling and walking</li> <li>Avoid locating new development, including active travel routes, where air quality could negatively impact upon peoples' health</li> <li>Help to meet air quality standards for people and ecosystems</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No. air quality management areas ↓</li> <li>NO<sub>x</sub> levels in AQMAs ↓</li> </ul>
3. Protect and enhance biodiversity, flora and fauna	<ul> <li>Maintain and achieve favourable condition of international and national sites of nature conservation importance (SACs, SPAs and SSSIs)</li> <li>Maintain extent and enhance the quality of locally designated sites (LNRs and SNCIs) and LBAP priority habitats</li> <li>Protect and enhance protected species and LBAP priority species</li> <li>Maintain and enhance connectivity of corridors of semi-natural habitats</li> <li>Provide opportunities for people to experience wildlife and habitats</li> <li>Help to provide a net benefit for biodiversity, consistent with Planning Policy Wales 10</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No. and extent (in hectares) of designated sites of importance (SACs, SPAs, SSSIs, LNRs and SNCIs) ↑</li> <li>% of features of internationally and nationally designated sites in favourable condition (SACs, SPAs, SSSIs) ↑</li> <li>Area (in hectares) of ancient woodland cover ↑</li> <li>Total extent (in hectares) of LBAP priority habitats ↑</li> </ul>

IS	A objective	Sub Objectives: Will the vision/objective/alternative/policy	Indicators and wished-for direction of change $(\downarrow \text{ or } \uparrow)$
4	Reduce emissions of greenhouse gases and adapt to the effects of climate change	<ul> <li>Support energy conservation and energy efficient design</li> <li>Promote renewable energy generation</li> <li>Promote efficient land use patterns that minimise the need to travel</li> <li>Promote sustainable modes of transport and integrated transport systems</li> <li>Reduce vulnerability of the built environment to the effects of climate change</li> <li>Help Cardiff to achieve the One Planet Cardiff vision to become a carbon neutral city by 2030</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Emissions of greenhouse gases by end use and sector ↓</li> <li>Traffic volumes (million vehicle Km) ↓</li> <li>Mode of travel to the city centre for all purposes ↓ for cars/vans, ↑ for walking, cycling and public transport</li> <li>Average household energy consumption (kWh) ↓</li> </ul>
	Protect and enhance historic and cultural heritage, including the Welsh Language Help deliver the growth of a sustainable and diversified economy	<ul> <li>Protect and enhance historic and cultural assets including scheduled ancient monuments, listed buildings, historic parks and gardens, historic landscapes and conservation areas</li> <li>Encourage access to the historic and cultural heritage</li> <li>Support local character and distinctiveness through good design</li> <li>Support the use of the Welsh Language</li> <li>Increase the number and range of employment opportunities</li> <li>Support and enhance the role of Cardiff as a key economic driver of South East Wales city region</li> <li>Promote and support city and local centres, local employment opportunities and mixed use development</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>% of listed buildings 'at risk' ↓</li> <li>% of conservation areas with an appraisal undertaken in the last 10 years ↑</li> <li>% of Cardiff residents who speak Welsh ↑</li> <li>No. of jobs in Cardiff ↑</li> <li>Full time gross median pay (£/week) ↑</li> <li>% of residents working age population in employment ↑</li> <li>Amount of land (in hectares) available for employment ↑ for brownfield</li> </ul>
7.	Improve health and well-being	<ul> <li>Support a post-pandemic green recovery</li> <li>Reduce health inequalities</li> <li>Encourage and facilitate walking and cycling, particularly in green infrastructure</li> <li>Protect, and improve access to, open space, the countryside and other opportunities for physical activity</li> <li>Improve environmental quality by minimising adverse impacts on health and wellbeing from pollution, flooding and waste management disposal</li> <li>Promote good design that minimises adverse impacts on health and wellbeing from crime and road traffic accidents</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Gap between wards with the highest and lowest life expectancy, and healthy life expectancy ↓</li> <li>% of adults who are overweight or obese ↓</li> <li>Adults who reported meeting physical activity guidelines in the past week ↑</li> <li>No. people killed or seriously injured in traffic accidents ↓</li> <li>Crime levels and fear of crime ↓</li> </ul>

IS	A objective	Sub Objectives: Will the vision/objective/alternative/policy	Indicators and wished-for direction of change $(\downarrow \text{ or } \uparrow)$
8.	Use soils and minerals efficiently and safeguard their quality	<ul> <li>Re-use derelict and other previously developed land</li> <li>Remediate contaminated and unstable land</li> <li>Safeguard soil quality including the best and most versatile agricultural land, and protect and enhance allotments</li> <li>Safeguard mineral resources and encourage their efficient and appropriate use</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>% of housing on previously developed land ↑</li> <li>No. and area (in hectares) of potentially contaminated sites ↓</li> <li>Area (in hectares) of grades 1, 2 and 3a agricultural land ↑</li> <li>Area of allotments, number of plots ↑</li> <li>Landbank (in years) of mineral reserves ↑</li> </ul>
9.	Protect and enhance the landscape	<ul> <li>Protect and enhance the landscape including the countryside, areas of landscape value, river valleys, greenspaces and the undeveloped coastline</li> <li>Protect and enhance Cardiff's Special Landscape Areas</li> <li>Promote high quality design in keeping with its landscape context</li> <li>Increase access to open space</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Area (in hectares) of landscape protected by local landscape designations (Special Landscape Area and conservation areas)</li></ul>
10	D. Minimise resource use and waste, increase re-use and recycling	<ul> <li>Reduce Cardiff's ecological footprint</li> <li>Promote resource efficiency and the use of secondary and recycled materials</li> <li>Promote waste reduction, re-use, recycling and recovery</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ecological footprint ↓</li> <li>Commercial and industrial waste, construction/ demolition waste, and municipal waste arising per year ↓</li> <li>% of municipal waste composted or recycled ↑</li> </ul>
11	<ol> <li>Maintain and enhance water quality and resources, and manage flooding</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Conserve water resources and increase water efficiency</li> <li>Improve the water quality of rivers, lakes, groundwaters and coastal areas</li> <li>Ensure that a precautionary approach is applied, and that the location and design of new development manages the potential risks and consequences of flooding down to an acceptable level.</li> <li>Ensure new developments have adequate sustainable drainage systems</li> <li>Help to achieve water quality standards</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>% of river lengths achieving good ecological and chemical status or potential ↑</li> <li>Average water use per household per year ↓</li> <li>Quality of Cardiff's rivers ↑</li> <li>No. of planning applications in flood risk areas granted against NRW advice ↓</li> <li>No. of properties at risk from river and coastal flooding ↓</li> <li>% of new development with sustainable urban drainage systems (SUDS) ↑</li> </ul>

Table 5.2 ISA framework for candidate sites

	The candidate site is			
ISA objective	++	+	-	
Help deliver equality of opportunity and	In the lowest 10% LSOA for overall WIMD	In the lowest 20% LSOA for overall WIMD	In the lowest 50% LSOA for overall WIMD	In the top 50% LSOA for overall WIMD
access for all	Would lead to a net gain/improvement of a community facility			Would lead to a net loss / worsening of a community facility
	Would lead to a net gain/ improvement of housing			Would lead to a net loss of housing
2. Maintain and improve air quality	>200m from an AQMA		<200m of an AQMA	In an AQMA
3. Protect and enhance	>2km from an SPA, SAC or Ramsar site	401m-2km of an SPA, SAC or Ramsar site	<400m from an SPA, SAC or Ramsar site	In an SPA, SAC or Ramsar site
biodiversity, flora	>2km from an SSSI	401m-2km from SSSI	<400m from SSSI	In SSSI
and fauna	>2km from an LNR	401m-2km from LNR	≤400m from LNR	In an LNR
	>2km from a SINC	401m-2km from SINC	<400m from SINC	In a SINC
4. Reduce emissions of greenhouse gases that cause climate	<400 m from a bus stop for buses that run once an hour or more	401-800m from a bus stop for buses that run once an hour or more	801-1500m from a bus stop for buses that run once an hour or more	>1500m from a bus stop for buses that run once an hour or more
change and adapt to its effects	<400 m from a train station	401-800m from a train station	801-1500m from a train station	>1500m from a train station
	<400m from a city / district centre <sup>172</sup>	401-800m from a city/district centre	801-1500m from a city/district centre	>1500m from a city/district centre
5. Protect and enhance historic	>200m from a heritage asset		<200m from a heritage asset	Includes a heritage asset
and cultural heritage, including	>200m from a Conservation Area		<200m from a Conservation Area	In a Conservation Area
the Welsh Language	>200m from an Archaeologically Sensitive Area		≤200m from an Archaeologically Sensitive Area	In an Archaeologically Sensitive Area
6. Help deliver the growth of a sustainable and diversified economy	Would lead to a net gain/ improvement in employment			Would lead to a net loss / worsening of employment
7. Improve health and well-being	<400m from open space	401-800m from open space	801-1500m from open space	>1500m from open space
8. Use soils and minerals efficiently	Previously developed land			Greenfield land
and safeguard their quality		Grade 3b-5 agricultural land (if greenfield)	Grade 2 or 3a agricultural land (if greenfield)	Grade 1 agricultural land

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>172</sup>Or could, instead, be doctor's surgery and/or primary school

The candidate site is... ISA objective 9. Protect and 200m – 2km from a <200m from a >2km from a Special In a Special enhance the Landscape Area Special Landscape Special Landscape Landscape Area landscape Area 11. Maintain and >50m from water <50m from water Includes water body enhance water body body quality and Not in flood zone C1 In flood zone C1 In flood zone C2 resources, and or C2 manage flooding

Table 5.3 Links between the ISA objectives and the Welsh Government Well-being Goals

We	ell-being goal	ISA objectives
1	A prosperous Wales: An innovative, productive and low carbon society which recognises the limits of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately (including acting on climate change); and which develops a skilled and well-educated population in an economy which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work.	4, 6, 8, 10, 11
2	A resilient Wales: A nation which maintains and enhances a biodiverse natural environment with healthy functioning ecosystems that support social, economic and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (for example climate change).	2-4, 11
3	A healthier Wales: A society in which people's physical and mental well-being is maximised and in which choices and behaviours that benefit future health are understood.	2, 7
4	A more equal Wales: A society that enables people to fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances (including their socio economic background and circumstances).	1
5	A Wales of cohesive communities: Attractive, viable, safe and well-connected communities.	1, 9
6	A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh Language: A society that promotes and protects culture, heritage and the Welsh language, and which encourages people to participate in the arts, and sports and recreation.	5
7	A globally responsible Wales: A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global well-being.	3-6, 8-11

If further information becomes available, Table 5.1 will be amended. In particular, more information is needed on

- access to community facilities and services / achievement of '15 minute neighbourhoods'
- air quality at sensitive European sites (notably Cardiff Beech Woods SAC and Blackmill Woodlands SAC)
- protected species
- damage to ancient woodlands

- net benefit for biodiversity
- no. or % of new dwellings that are zero carbon
- renewable energy generated
- good design
- no. or % of jobs in the 'green/circular economy' sector
- time spent commuting into Cardiff in private cars v. via active travel
- ecological footprint (up to date information)
- industrial/commercial waste generated
- waste reduction and reuse.

Table 5.2 may also still be fine-tuned, depending on the GIS layers available at Cardiff Council.

#### 6 Next steps

This Scoping Report, further updated as appropriate, will provide the framework for assessing how the Council is delivering sustainable development throughout all future stages of the preparation of the RLDP. Objectives and indicators set out in the report will be used to appraise and monitor the development of the RLDP. Future reports prepared as part of the ISA process will evidence this assessment as different stages of the RLDP are completed, culminating in the preparation of a Sustainability Report that will be subject to consultation alongside the deposited copy of the RLDP. Both documents will be subject to full consultation and be duly considered at the Public Examination into the RLDP.







**APPENDIX 3 PART 1** 

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#### Background

The Replacement Local Development Plan (LDP) will help shape Cardiff for the next 15 years to 2036 ensuring the right development happens in the right place at the right time, benefitting communities and the economy and setting out which areas need to be protected.

The Council is right at the beginning of the process of preparing a new LDP and is keen to get the views of members of the public on the draft Vision, Issues and Objectives for the plan, and some of the big issues that the plan will need to consider, like housing growth, the future of work and travel and how Cardiff tackles the climate emergency.

A consultation was developed to gather feedback on the plan, and ask people to think about the balances the plan will have to consider. Given the COVID-19 restrictions in place at the time of the consultation, which restricted the number of people able to meet, particularly indoors, and forced the closure of public buildings such as Hubs and libraries, the consultation took place as an online survey.

#### Methodology

The Cardiff Research Centre worked closely with partnership organisations to ensure as representative a response as possible. In a bid to ensure the survey was promoted as widely as possible, the survey was promoted via:

- a) Email
  - Organisations known to work with less frequently heard groups
  - Cardiff's Citizen's Panel
- b) Internet/intranet

The survey was hosted on the Council website, with promotions on the home page and the Have Your Say section. A dedicated "Virtual Consultation Room" was set up on www.cardiffldp.co.uk, providing members of the public with the background to the plan and links to the consultation.

#### c) Social media

The survey was promoted via Facebook and Twitter throughout the consultation period. Social media 'boosts' were made to selected demographics with a traditionally lo response rate.

Once the consultation closed, the responses were cleansed and validated, to remove blank or duplicate responses. A total of 1,215 responses were received for the survey overall, with respondents able to skip questions they did not wish to answer. The response rate for each question is included in the report.

#### Topic 1: New Houses and Homes

#### Issue: Where development should happen

Cardiff is a fast-growing city – 8,000 homes have been built over the last 10 years.

A growing city requires space for new housing.

Low housing supply can lead to ever-increasing house prices leaving more people struggling to afford a secure place to live. Growth therefore provides opportunities for providing a range and choice of homes and for more affordable housing.

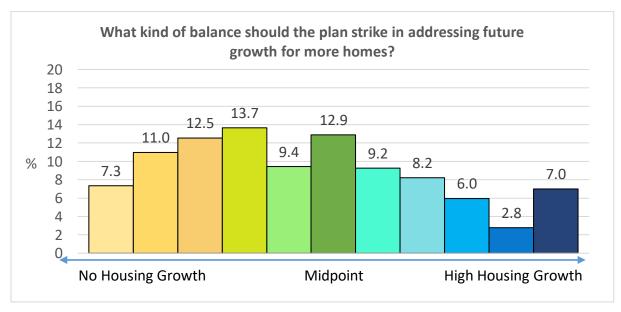
However, it can also lead to pressures such as the need to release of greenfield land and provide supporting infrastructure such as transport facilities, schools and health facilities.

#### What kind of balance should the plan strike in addressing future growth for more homes?

A total of 1,157 responses were received for this question, giving a response rate of 95.2%

Respondents were asked to indicate the level of housing growth the plan should consider, rating from a score of zero for no housing growth, fifty for the midpoint, and one hundred for high housing growth. The resulting scores were used to calculate an overall score to indicate how much housing growth was preferred – a lower score signifies no growth, while a higher score indicates high housing growth.

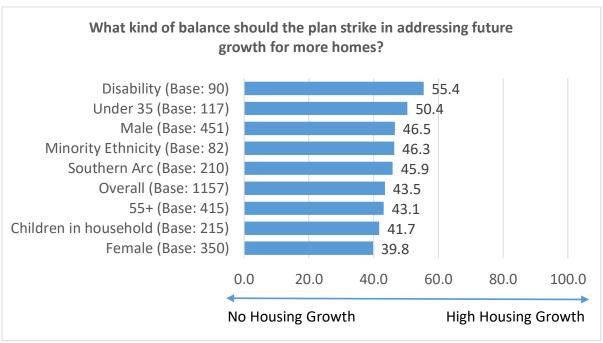
Overall, 7.3% of respondents wanted to see no housing growth in the Replacement Local Development Plan, 12.9% wanted mid-level growth, and 7.0% high housing growth. Almost half (46.6%) indicated a lower level of growth (scoring 10 to 40) compared with a quarter (26.2%) who suggested a higher level (scoring 60 to 90). The overall score was **43.5**, suggesting a moderate level of housing growth is optimal.



Looking at scores by respondent group showed a broad consistency of opinion, with just 15.6 points between the highest and lowest scores, based on a 100 point scale

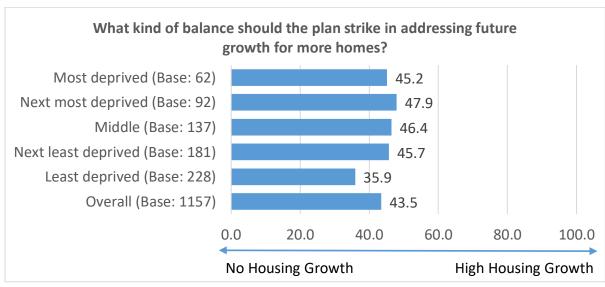
Respondents who identified as disabled, and those under the age of 35 wanted higher levels of housing growth, scoring 55.4 and 50.4 respectively.

Women, and those with children in their household indicated the lowest levels of housing growth (39.8 and 41.7 respectively).



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While there was no clear correlation with level of deprivation, respondents living in the least deprived areas of the city wanted the lowest level of housing growth (35.9).



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#### Please explain the reasons for your answer

Respondents were asked to provide reasons for their answer to the above question: 927 comments were received, and grouped into themes. The top three are shown below, with a full breakdown in Appendix 2:

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Houses needed/ Quality / Affordable housing / Social housing	278	30.0	<ul> <li>There is a shortage of affordable housing especially for first time buyers in the city.</li> <li>Currently my children will never be able to buy a house</li> <li>We need more council housing and low rent costs</li> <li>There is a need for affordable housing in Cardiff</li> <li>More homes are needed but there is a growing need for cheaper good quality Council and Housing Association homes and not homes which require a mortgage for the privileged people who can afford</li> </ul>
			them More good quality housing is essential.
			- Nowhere near enough housing
Preserve Green Space	273	29.4	<ul> <li>Cardiff is known for being a green city, yet these boundaries are continuously being pushed.</li> <li>important to provide housing but still need protect land</li> <li>A balance between housing need and the benefits of</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>green spaces</li> <li>Green spaces are fundamentally important to the wellbeing of the citizens. Any future building should be on brown field sites</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>We need more houses but part of Cardiff's charm is the proximity to green space.</li> </ul>
Need to improve infrastructure/ Services /	235	25.4	<ul> <li>There should be no further land for housing until sufficient infrastructure has been provided to accommodate it.</li> </ul>
Public transport			<ul> <li>traffic is out of control, we need to improve transports and roads before building more houses</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>More homes are needed, but the infrastructures always take so much longer to do, and the public transport links are just so poor to the areas now being built on further outside of the City</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>The housing supply is currently outstripping the infrastructure and needs to be reduced slightly until an infrastructure plan is delivered</li> </ul>

Broadly speaking, there are two ways of allocating land for new housing:

Brownfield: Often around city centres. Includes filling in gaps in existing neighbourhoods and building taller buildings. It can also include old industrial units, although these often come with much higher build-costs.

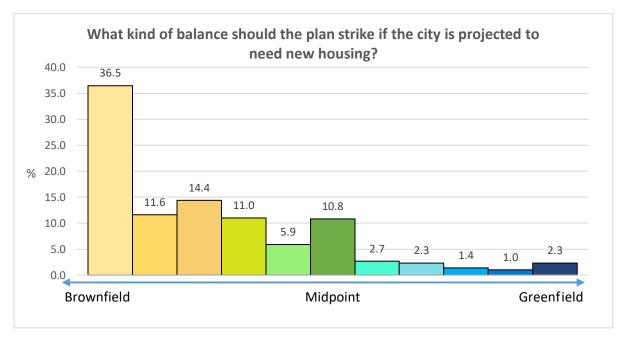
Green Field: This can typically be on old farmland, using green fields on the edge of urban areas to grow a city. Whilst the development costs are cheaper, so homes can often be more affordable, more infrastructure is needed such as public transport and new schools.

#### What kind of balance should the plan strike if the city is projected to need new housing?

A total of 1,154 responses were received for this question, giving a response rate of 95.0%

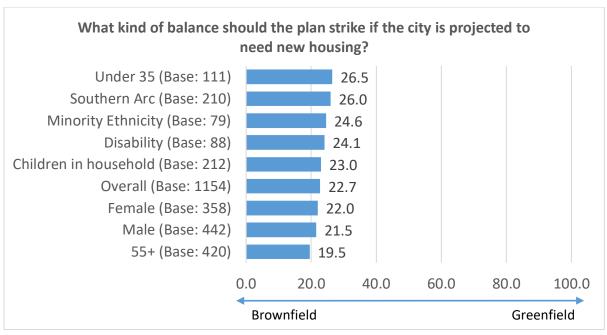
Over a third of those responding to this question (36.5%) felt that only brownfield sites should be used as land for new housing, compared with 2.3% who favoured greenfield sites, and 10.8% who chose the midpoint between the two.

This received an overall score of **22.7** out of 100, indicating the preference for brownfield over greenfield sites



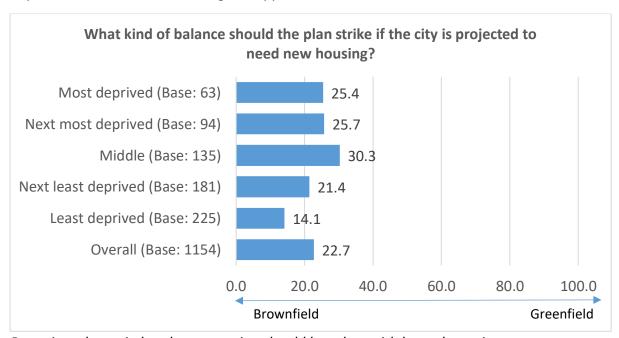
Again, there was consistency of opinion across the demographic groups analysed, with just seven point across the range of scores.

Older respondents were most likely to indicate a preference for brownfield sites, with a score of 19.5, compared with 26.5 for those under 35



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There was no clear pattern by level of deprivation, although those living in the least deprived area showed the strongest support for brownfield sites.



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#### Issue: Homes of the future

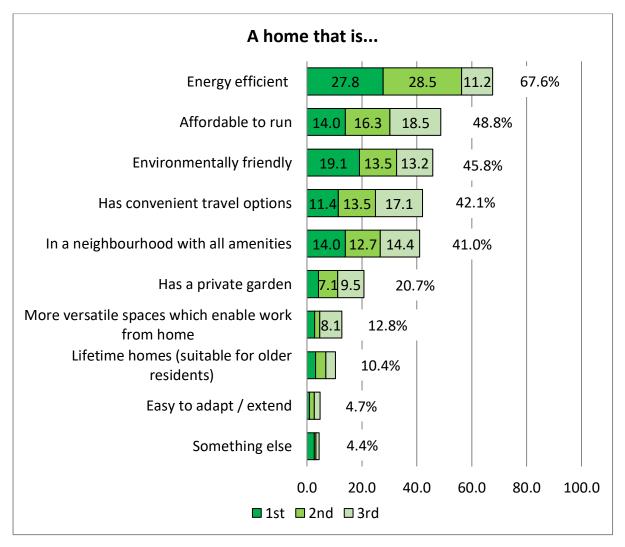
The Plan looks forward 15 years to 2036 and helps determine the design of new houses which will be built in the future. The design of these new homes will need to address climate change and changes in lifestyle and technology.

#### Please rank the following in order of importance - A home that is...

A total of 1,058 respondents gave at least one answer for at least one option to this question, giving an overall response rate of 87.1%

Over two-thirds of respondents (67.6%) ranked "Energy efficient" as one of their top three most important considerations to ensure new homes will address changes in climate change and changes in lifestyle and technology, with 27.8% ranking this as the most important aspect.

This was followed by "Affordable to run", with 48.8% ranking this in the top three, and 14.0% as the most important, and by "Environmentally friendly", which was rated in the top three by 45.8% of the total votes for this option, including 19.1% rating it as most important.



Respondents answering "Something else" were asked to give more details. A total of 262 comments were received, and grouped into themes; the top three themes are shown below, with a full list in Appendix 3:

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Consideration of Environment/Nature	54	20.6	- Design that incorporates old buildings and enhances rather than bulldozers local character
			<ul> <li>The earth is now at a point of no return. If you don't prioritise getting rid of fossil fuel boilers and cars we are not going to exist anymore and this earth will be a desert. WAKE UP!</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Awareness of carbon footprint and consequences of creating housing development too far away from necessary communication and amenities</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Target energy neutral, reduce/remove reliance on cement, drive developers to use solar/heat pumps/renewable materials, disconnect car reliance</li> </ul>
Sustainability	44	16.8	<ul> <li>Good design and built to last using local materials and services.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Cardiff needs to respond to the climate crisis with a sustainable and energy efficient building stock. This also means retrofitting of existing buildings.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Target energy neutral, reduce/remove reliance on cement, drive developers to use solar/heat pumps/renewable materials</li> </ul>
			- PassivHaus principles please
Better design / quality / sympathetic to their settings	42	16.0	<ul> <li>Better design and build quality is needed. Too many new build homes are architecturally depressing, not just for the people who live in them but those who have to look at them on a daily basis.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>The aesthetic and quality of materials used.</li> <li>Innovative and attractive housing that is sympathetic with the surroundings.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>The new builds should be visually beautiful. The aesthetic value of the buildings is often a feature not considered in the planning process, there are many positives that beautiful buildings bring to an area and are worthy of consideration.</li> </ul>

This pattern of responses was broadly consistent across the demographic groups analysed; there were no correlations with the level of deprivation.

#### Topic 2: New Jobs

#### <u>Issue: A growing city - jobs</u>

Cardiff plays a key role as the economic driver of South East Wales.

This helps thousands of people inside and outside Cardiff find good jobs and secure an income.

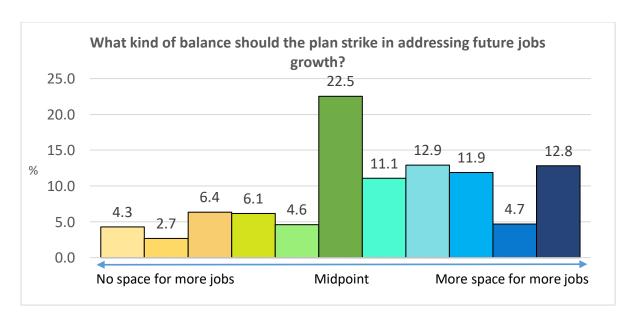
We have an opportunity to build upon the recent successes in creating new jobs. The Plan can set out how this can achieved by identifying the locations and type of jobs we think we need by 2036 as well as seeking to make the best use of existing employment land. It can also set out the policies we will have in place to protect existing employment land and uses.

#### What kind of balance should the plan strike in addressing future jobs growth?

A total of 976 responses were received for this question, giving a response rate of 80.3%

Almost a quarter of respondents (22.5%) indicated the Plan should look for a middle ground in terms of the amount of space made available for employment; 12.8% wanted to see the maximum space made available, whilst 4.3% suggested no space should be made available for jobs.

The scoring system was applied, generating a total score of **58.7** out of 100, confirming the strength of opinion for a middle ground.

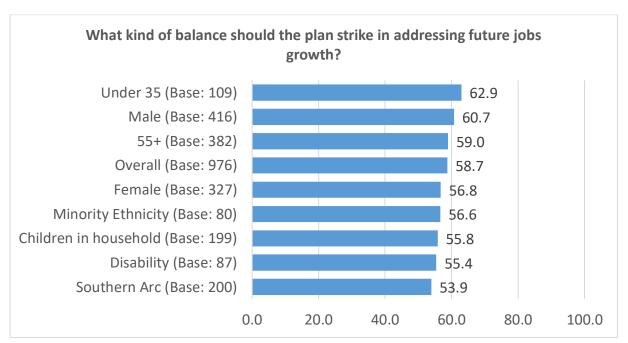


#### Please explain the reasons for your answer

A total of 696 comments were received, which have been grouped into themes. The top three are shown below, with the full list available in Appendix 4.

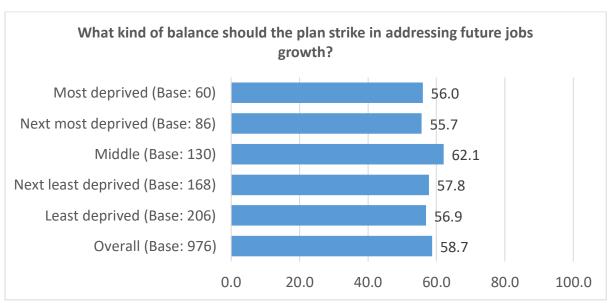
No	%	Example comments
209	30.0	<ul> <li>The City needs growth in jobs and population in order to raise taxes to pay for social infrastructure</li> <li>Young people need work and attraction of talent</li> <li>employment is the future</li> <li>Without jobs a city can go into decline.</li> <li>more jobs are essential at the moment</li> <li>creating new jobs is very important</li> </ul>
162	23.3	<ul> <li>Cardiff is full of empty office and retail space. Fill up what's there first please.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>I would not support the building of more offices as they don't seem necessary now.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Many businesses are now looking to reduce office space in the centre of cities and are encouraging more homeworking. Building more office space in city centres is increasingly outdated and puts more pressure on a city's infrastructure.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Creating space for jobs does not mean that more jobs will happen. There must be coordinated approach</li> </ul>
157	22.6	<ul> <li>Due to the pandemic there are empty offices everywhere, people will likely work from home, there is no requirement for more buildings.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>The Council needs to consider the direction employers will be taking post-pandemic. To what extent is more flexible working, including from home, likely to become the norm?</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Covid has changed how business need and use space.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Covid and the focus on the capability to work from home has, I think, changed the need to build the amount of commercial properties that was needed previously</li> </ul>
	209	162 23.3

There was, again, a broad consensus of opinion across the demographic groups analysed, with just 9 points difference.



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There was no correlation of opinion with the level of deprivation.



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#### Issue: Workplaces of the future

The Plan looks forward 15 years to 2036 and helps determine where new jobs will be located and the design of new workplaces which will be built in the future.

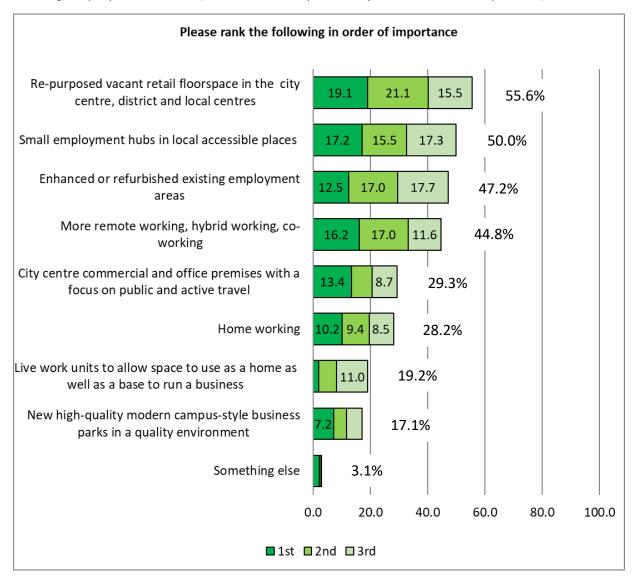
The design of these workplaces will need to address climate change and changes in lifestyle and technology.

#### Please rank the following in order of importance

A total of 976 respondents gave at least one answer for at least one option to this question, giving an overall response rate of 81.1%

"Re-purposed vacant retail floorspace in the city centre, district and local centres" was seen as the most important of the options provided, with 19.1% of respondents ranking this in first place, and a total of 55.6% of all respondents putting this in their top three.

This was followed by "Small employment hubs in accessible places" (placed in the top three by 89.3%, with 17.2% ranking this as most important), and by "Enhanced or refurbished existing employment areas" (ranked in the top three by 91.4%, and first by 12.5%).



Respondents answering "Something else" were asked to give more details. A total of 136 comments were received, and grouped into themes; the top three themes are shown below, with a full list in Appendix 5:

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Ensure empty properties repurposed	25	18.4	<ul> <li>use up all existing disused workspace before building new - I've seen so many new buildings being erected near an identical building with a "to let" sign</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>It surely always makes sense to repurpose and reuse existing spaces before spending money on brand new out of town places usually with no close resources</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Less destruction of our old buildings and architecture.</li> </ul>
Improve transport	19	14.0	- Free travel for all to reduce carbon footprint
			- Good public transport at all hours.
Working from Home	17	12.5	- Allow people to work from home.
			- Supported home working by choice

There was a broad consensus of opinion across the demographic groups analysed, with some notable exceptions:

Re-purposed vacant retail floorspace in the city centre, district and local shops

- Support highest amongst respondents from a Minority Ethnicity, with 62.5% ranking this in their top three most important options.
- Support lowest amongst younger respondents, of whom 46.7% ranked it in their top three.

More remote working, hybrid working, co-working

- Support highest amongst those from a Minority Ethnicity, with 65.3% ranking this in their top three
- Support lowest amongst with respondents identifying as disabled (36.8%) and over 55s (37.2%)

New, high quality modern campus style business parks in a quality environment

- Around a fifth of men, those identifying as disabled, and respondents aged 55 or over ranked this in their top three (22.5%, 21.8% and 20.2% respectively), around double the proportion of respondents with children in their household (11.6%), under 35s (11.2%) and women (9.8%).

#### Home working

Over a third of respondents living in the most deprived areas of the city (37.9%)
 ranked this in their top three

A full breakdown of differences by demographic group is available in Appendix 6

#### Topic 3: New Infrastructure to support growth

#### Issue: Priorities for new infrastructure

As Cardiff continues to grow, new infrastructure will be needed alongside the new homes and jobs. This will include a wide range of community facilities such as schools and health centres as well as transportation solutions.

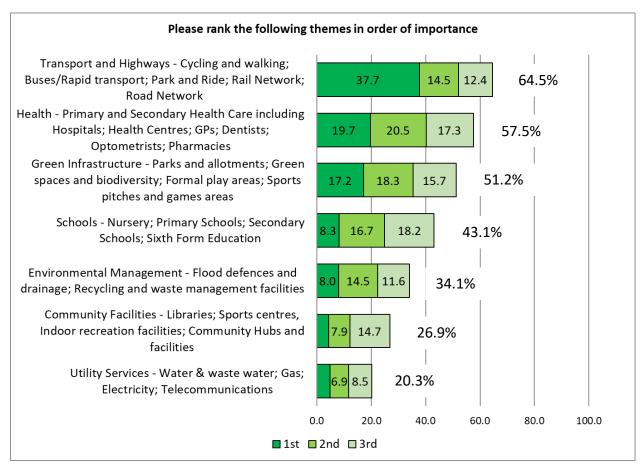
The plan must set out the things the city needs and how these can be put in place over the next 15 years.

#### Please rank the following themes in order of importance

A total of 953 respondents gave at least one answer for at least one option to this question, giving an overall response rate of 78.4%

Transport and Highways were seen as the most important priority for infrastructure, with around two-thirds of respondents (64.5%) ranking this in their top three, with 37.7% rating this as the most important priority.

This was followed by Health, placed in the top three by 57.5% of respondents, and ranked first by 19.7%, then by Green Infrastructure, in the top three of 51.2% of respondents overall, with 17.2% ranking this as most important.



Respondents were asked to list any other facilities not included in the above list -206 comments were received, which were grouped into themes. The top three themes are shown below, with a full list available in Appendix 7.

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Difficult to rank	42	20.4	<ul> <li>It is very hard to rank infrastructure all of which is essential to a functioning community. Infrastructure should be planned as a whole and no one element is more important than the other. Getting the infrastructure RIGHT is key</li> </ul>
			- They are obviously all important!
			<ul> <li>No - they are all equally relevant. You cannot rank them!</li> </ul>
Transport	38	18.4	- Accessible transport.
			<ul> <li>how about overhead mono rail system following existing road</li> </ul>
			- Electric car charging infrastructure
Road Network	31	15.0	<ul> <li>Good roads for logistics and to bring more businesses to wales</li> </ul>
			- Spend more for the car
			<ul> <li>The road network needs dramatically improving, ring roads etc.</li> </ul>

There were notable differences in priority across the demographic groups analysed, with

- Men were most likely to rate Transport and Highways in first place
- Schools were most important to respondents with children in their household
- Health infrastructure was most important to respondents who identify as disabled
- Green Infrastructure was seen as more important by those under the age of 35

A full breakdown showing differences of opinion is available in Appendix 8

#### Topic 4: Tackling the Climate Emergency

#### Issue: How to tackle the climate emergency

Climate change is now widely regarded as one of the most significant global challenges: almost 200 governments have endorsed the Paris Agreement to limit global temperature rise and Welsh Government has committed to reducing emissions of greenhouse gases by at least 80% by 2050.

In recognition of the risks posed to local residents Cardiff Council has declared a climate emergency. If no action is taken, threats such as rising sea levels/increased risk of flooding from rivers and surface water, more frequent extreme weather events and reduced biodiversity and food productivity become ever more critical.

Respond to the climate emergency presents opportunities as well as risks, for example new jobs in green industries; reduced fuel poverty and improved health that comes with better housing; improved air quality and greater active travel.

The plan offers a significant opportunity to take further steps in tackling climate change whilst providing a climate resilient development plan for Cardiff.

#### How do you think the plan can tackle climate change?

A total of 766 responses were received for this question, which have been grouped into themes. The top three themes are shown below, with a full list available in Appendix 9.

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Renewable energy / sustainable infrastructure	168	21.9	<ul> <li>Serious investment is needed to provide sound infrastructure for green energy. There should be a mandate placed on housing developers to provide charging points for all homes.</li> <li>Energy efficient new homes. Improve energy</li> </ul>
			efficiency of existing housing
			<ul> <li>Ensuring all new build / infrastructure is built with sustainability in mind. People's homes are increasingly becoming workplaces too - ensure that new homes are fit for this purpose and allow people to live sustainable lives.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>All public buildings should generate own energy - solar panels etc.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Focus on zero carbon buildings and on low-carbon heating.</li> </ul>
Improved / Enhanced	149	19.5	- Reduce journeys by fossil fuel vehicles
Public Transport / Infrastructure			<ul> <li>The plan should consider more strategic action on traffic and transport</li> </ul>

	Cheaper, faster, more reliable greener public transport with plenty of space to avoid overcrowding if looking to reduce the number of cars around the city. Incentivise the use of public transport by making it low cost and affordable.
	Massively increase infrastructure for active transport and reduce city car use.
- (	Green transport.

# Reduce car use - Ban Cars 109 14.2 / Sufficient local amenities

- Facilitating shift from car dependence through improved public transport options to all areas of the city.
- Incentivise people to give up their cars
- Less cars on the streets
- Cut down on private vehicle use
- Develop "15 minute communities" where work, shops, health & community centres are all within 15 mins walk for everyone - discourage motorised transport.

#### Topic 5: Moving around the city

#### Issue: Modal split target

As Cardiff continues to grow, new transport infrastructure such as the South Wales Metro will be needed alongside the new homes and jobs. It is important that this seeks to reduce reliance on the car in order to reduce congestion and harmful emissions and seek to promote a modal shift to sustainable forms of travel such a buses and trains, and active travel such as walking and cycling.

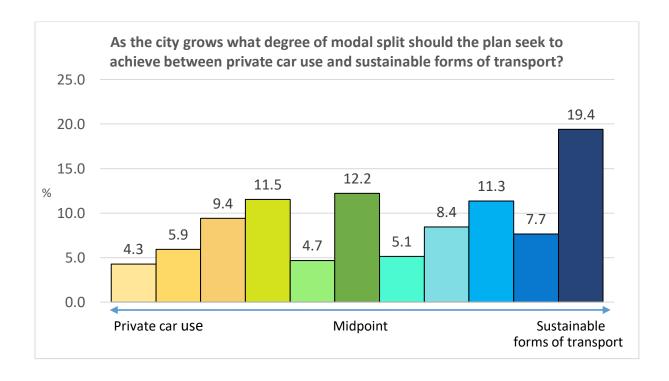
Latest data shows that the modal split in the city is currently around 50% private car/sustainable forms of transport.

As the city grows, what degree of modal split should the plan seek to achieve between private car use and sustainable forms of transport?

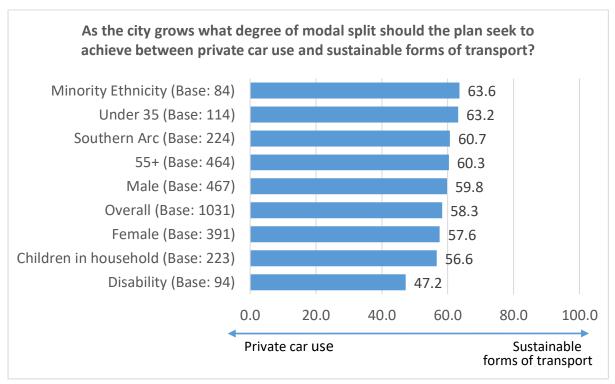
A total of 1,031 responses were received for this question, giving a response rate of 84.9%

A fifth of respondents (19.4%) indicated that the plan should seek to prioritise sustainable forms of transport, compared with 4.3% prioritising private car use, with 12.2% favouring a balance between the two.

Scores were calculated according to the number of respondents giving each answer, with lower scores favouring private car use, and higher scores favouring sustainable forms of transport – an overall score of **58.3** was achieved, indicating a balance between the two, slightly favouring sustainable transport.



Respondents identifying as disabled were the only demographic group analysed to shift the balance in favour of private car use:



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There was no clear pattern across areas with different levels of deprivation.

#### Issue: Delivering Sustainable Transport Infrastructure

In order to deliver a modal shift and reduce congestion and reliance on the car it will be important for the plan to provide for a range of sustainable forms of transport.

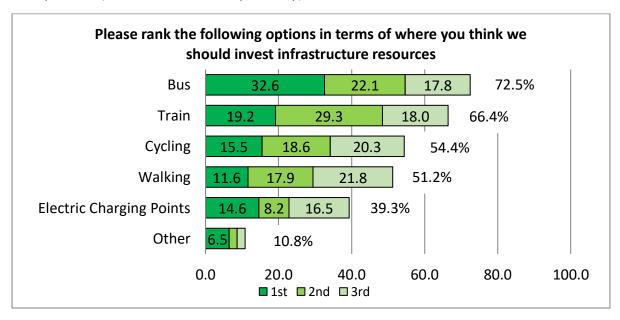
## Please rank the following options in terms of where you think we should invest infrastructure resources

A total of 923 respondents gave at least one answer for at least one option to this question, giving an overall response rate of 76.0%

Almost three-quarters of respondents (72.5%) rated investing in bus infrastructure within their top three priorities, with 32.6% ranking this as most important.

Two-thirds (66.4%) prioritised investing on train infrastructure, with 19.2% rating this as the most important priority.

Both cycling and walking were ranked in the top three by over half of those responding to this question (54.4% and 51.2% respectively).



Looking at these results by the different demographic groups showed different priorities.

Amongst respondents aged 55 or over, 84.3% ranked investment in bus infrastructure in their top three priorities, compared with 55.0% of those under 35.

Younger respondents put more emphasis on active forms of travel, with 70.3% prioritising investment in cycling, and 60.4% in walking compared with 46.5% and 48.2% of older respondents, respectively.

Respondent living in the more deprived areas were more likely to prioritise investment in cycling and walking than more affluent areas. Respondents living in the least deprived areas were more likely to place a higher priority on investment in train infrastructure.

Charts showing these difference in detail are available in Appendix 10.

#### Please specify where else infrastructure resources should be invested

A total of 268 responses were received for this question, which have been grouped into themes. The top three themes are shown below, with a full list available in Appendix 11.

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Improved / Enhanced	109	40.7	- Bus service in Cardiff is appalling.
Public Transport / Infrastructure			<ul> <li>New train stations are essential. There are so many existing lines that run through the city for miles without intermediate stops. Take London – all central rail and tube lines have stations that are 15-20 minutes walk apart. That should be the ambition for all existing lines within all urban areas.</li> </ul>
			- Regular and cheap metro / trams
			<ul> <li>Have one payment system that's allows train and bus use combined</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>One ticket system to cover public transport, parking and cycle hire</li> </ul>
Road Infrastructure	35	13.1	<ul> <li>The existing roads need maintenance and improvement to ensure they are still fit for purpose.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>We must recognise that the global pandemic has led people to want to use private transport for their travel needs, the obsession with public transport will cost us dearly in the future, and is not in line with personal needs.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>good roads and pavements - that will enable people to cycle and walk safely as well as drive</li> </ul>
Focus on reducing need to travel / Car free areas	20	7.5	<ul><li>Cars need to be actively discouraged and prevented</li><li>Car-free areas - big ones!</li></ul>
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#### **Topic 6: Heathier Environments**

#### Issue: Improving health and well-being

Across Cardiff, inequalities exist both in terms of health and deprivation. For despite Cardiff's economic growth during the last 30 years, the patterns of poverty and inequality that emerged a generation ago remain. Over 150,000 people in the city live in some of most deprived communities in Wales. In terms of health, there is an 11 year gap in life expectancy for men and a 9.2 year gap in life expectancy for women between our most deprived and our least deprived communities. In addition, 54% of the population of Cardiff is either overweight or obese.

Given this it is important that the plan provides an appropriate balance and ensures that improving people's health is a key consideration in new and existing developments across the city. A range of measures for the plan to consider are listed below.

#### How do you think the city could be a healthier place and improve wellbeing?

A total of 903 respondents gave at least one answer for at least one option to this question, giving an overall response rate of 74.3%

The most important action to make the city a healthier place, and improve wellbeing, was to give Improved Access To Green Space, ranked in the top three options by 53.2% of respondents, and as the single most important by 24.5%.

This was followed by Feeling Safe, with 36.8% putting this option in their top three (12.8% ranking it first), then by Improved Air Quality, which was selected by 35.5% of respondents, ranked first by 11.2%.

These results were also analysed by demographic group – women were most likely to rank Feeling Safe in their top three (41.6%), closely followed by respondents with children in their household (41.2%); less than a quarter of respondents under the age of 35 ranked this as one of their top three options.

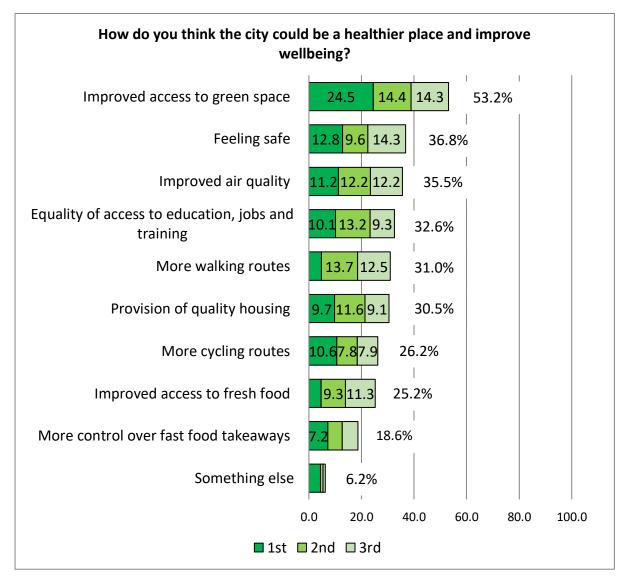
Respondents living in the more deprived areas of the city were a little more likely than those in more affluent areas to rank Feeling Safe in their top three.

More Walking Routes were more likely to be selected as an option to make Cardiff a healthier place and improve wellbeing, along with respondents living in more affluent areas of the city. Younger respondents were also more likely to select More Cycling Routes than other demographic groups.

Over a third of respondents who identify as disabled (36.4%) wanted to see Improved Access to Fresh Food.

Respondents under the age of 35 were notably less likely to think More Control Over Fast Food Takeaways would make the city a healthier place, with just 7.3% pf respondents in the age groups selecting this option, contrasting with 26.8% of those over the age of 55.





#### Please specify what else you consider to be important

A total of 170 responses were received for this question, which have been grouped into themes. The top three themes are shown below, with a full list available in Appendix 13.

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Better awareness / education	26	15.3	<ul> <li>Awareness raising/education regarding the benefits of more healthy lifestyles (e.g.: Bristol Eating Better campaign).</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Better education regarding health issues in our primary schools, how to keep fit and healthy.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Fresh food is available but people are lazy or not taught. Home economics should be back on the curriculum and also taught in hubs</li> </ul>
More / Better community infrastructure / Facilities	24	14.1	<ul> <li>Investing in more community projects and youth groups and creating activities for young people and elderly.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>We keep building houses but no amenities to improve wellbeing, e.g. Plasdwr should include tennis courts, football pitches, a lido.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Social isolation is a killer. We need better small scale social infrastructure and more community infrastructure, things like community food gardens (think Incredible Edible).</li> </ul>
Retain / More Green Spaces	19	11.2	<ul> <li>Encourage use of green spaces and allow all homes to have a safe local place to exercise and enjoy nature helping mental and physical health</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Need to protect and not destroy existing green areas, without the protection of these sites CCC will not have the best interests of the Environment at heart</li> </ul>

#### Topic 7: Supporting the roles of the City Centre and Cardiff Bay

#### <u>Issue: Future role of city centre</u>

Cardiff city centre and Cardiff Bay play a key retail, economic and tourism role for the city and South East Wales. Supporting the role of the city centre and the continued regeneration of Cardiff Bay are key issues for the plan to address. In addition the plan will need to respond to the impacts of the Covid pandemic on high street retailing, the demand for traditional office accommodation and encourage more mixed uses within the city centre in addition to supporting its key retail role.

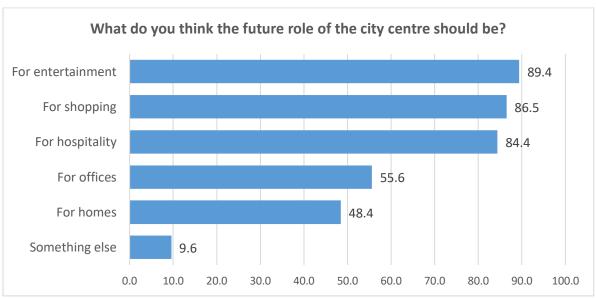
Overall, the plan provides an opportunity to consider how the city centre can continue to evolve and play a key role in the future of the city.

#### What do you think the future role of the city centre should be? Tick all that apply

A total of 962 responses were received for this question, giving a response rate of 79.2%

More than four in five respondents felt the future role of the city centre should be For Entertainment (89.4%), For Shopping (86.5%) and For Hospitality (84.4%).

Just over half (55.6%) felt it should be For Offices, and just under half (48.4%), For Homes.



Percentages do not total 100% as respondent were able to select multiple responses

Younger respondents, and those from a Minority Ethnicity were most likely to indicate the city centre should be used for Entertainment or Hospitality, contrasting with respondents who identify as disabled, and those aged 55 or over.

There was a correlation seen between level of deprivation and those thinking the city centre should be used for Hospitality, with more affluent areas more likely to see a role for Hospitality for the city centre in the future.

Respondents living in more deprived areas were more likely to see Homes as a future role for the city centre.

Older respondents were more likely to suggest Homes as a future for the city centre than respondents aged under 35.

Charts showing these breakdowns by demographic are available in Appendix 14.

#### Something else

Respondents answering "Something else" were asked to give further details. A total of 82 responses were received, and grouped into themes. The top three are shown below, with a full list available in Appendix 15

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Attractions / Tourism - Music / Murals / Arts / Culture / Sporting Events	25	30.5	<ul> <li>Interesting, unique attractions that differentiate Cardiff from any other UK city. There aren't enough well developed cultural attractions.</li> </ul>
etc.			<ul> <li>Arts and culture - music, murals, worships, creativity!</li> </ul>
Community Spaces / Socialising areas / Using	21	25.6	<ul> <li>A social gathering place for all ages and communities</li> </ul>
Green Spaces			<ul> <li>As a rich living green centre with gardens, a sanctuary for animals - a re-greening centre as a sanctuary for citizens.</li> </ul>
More Amenities	13	15.9	<ul> <li>Leisure, sports, green spaces, health centre/dentist, community education, cycle paths, a Green healthy city</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Creative production. Fitness and leisure. Education.</li> <li>Mixed use of all kinds, including those not yet imagined. Flexibilty and adaptability.</li> </ul>

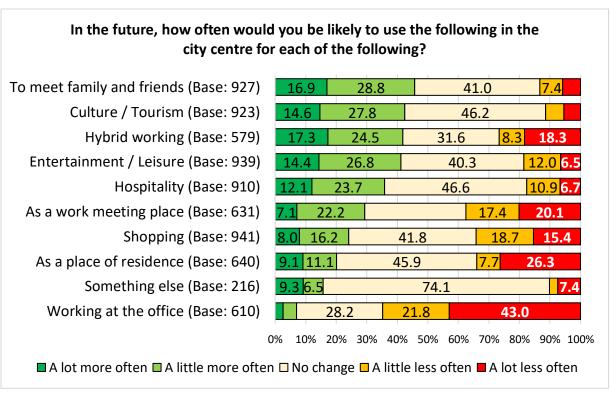
## In the future, how often would you be likely to use the following in the city centre for each of the following?

Between 216 and 940 responses were received for the options included in this question, giving response rates between 17.8% and 77.4%

Respondents were more likely to use the city centre in the future as a venue to meet family and friends (45.7%), followed by Culture/Tourism (42.5%), Hybrid Working (41.8%) and Entertainment/Leisure (41.2%).

Just 24.1% of respondents indicated they would be likely to use the city centre for shopping in future compared with 34.1% stating they would be less likely to go shopping in the city centre in the future.

Almost two-thirds (64.8%) suggested they would be less likely to be working at an office in the city centre in future, compared with just 7.0% who felt this was more likely.



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Respondents under the age of 35 were most likely to indicate they would be more likely to use the city centre:

- As a Place to Meet Family and Friends (67.2%.compared with 38.1% of those aged 55 or over)
- As a place for Entertainment/Leisure (61.2%, compared with 32.2% of those aged 55 or over)
- For Hospitality (47.8%, compared with 28.9% of those aged 55 or over)
- For Culture/Tourism (57.8%, compared with 35.7% of older respondents)

Respondents identifying as disabled were most likely to indicate they would use the city centre for shopping in the future (38.5%).

A full breakdown by demographic group can be found in Appendix 16.

#### For what other purpose would you use the city centre?

Respondents were asked if there were any other purposes for which they would use the city centre: 66 responses were received, and grouped into themes. The top three are shown below, with the full list shown in Appendix 17.

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Commuting/Travel	11	16.7	- To commute into/out of
			- As a transport hub.
Exercise	9	13.6	<ul> <li>Exercise. The river is an amazing place for swimming and kayaking. Can we make more of our waterways as places for exercise?</li> </ul>
			- For a stroll
Green space	9	13.6	- To enjoy green space - i.e. the castle
			<ul> <li>Enjoying green spaces like Bute Park, Cardiff Castle, walking by the river, boat trips, being able to pop for a coffee and some relaxation time somewhere quiet and pretty and not crowded</li> </ul>

# **Topic 8: Post Pandemic Recovery**

#### <u>Issue: Helping the city recover from the pandemic</u>

As the city recovers post-pandemic, the plan provides an opportunity to consider those areas of land use policy which require a new or amended approach to explicitly address the implications of the pandemic on the way we work, live, enjoy and move around the city. The concept of the 15 minute city has been proposed where all facilities are located within a 15 minute radius encouraging walking and cycling and less reliance on the car.

The plan provides an important opportunity to revisit existing policy approaches.

# Please rank the following new or amended policy approaches in order of importance in responding to the pandemic

A total of 854 respondents gave at least one answer for at least one option to this question, giving an overall response rate of 70.3%

"Staying local – Creating 15 minute neighbourhoods" was rated as the most important policy approach to respond to the pandemic, with half (50.0%) of those responding to this question placing it in their top three, with 28.6% rating it as the single most important approach.

The pandemic also reinforced the importance of access to green spaces, with 41.2% of respondents choosing this approach as one of their top three.

There was generally a consensus of opinion across the demographic groups analysed, with a small number of notable differences:

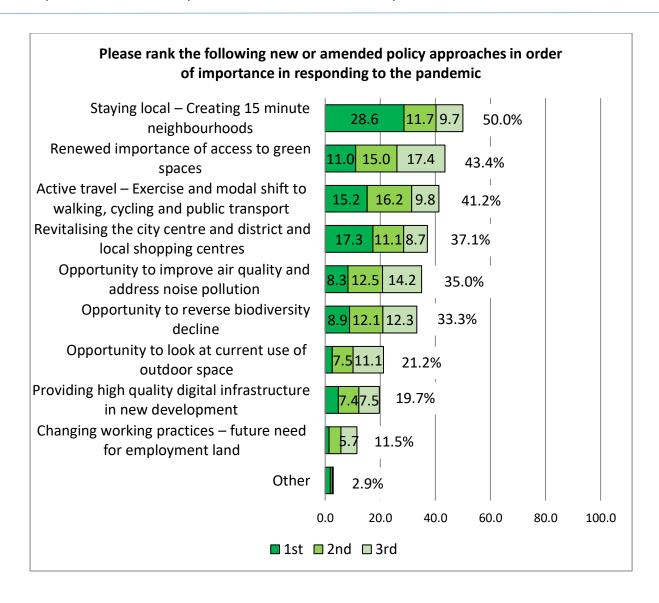
Under 35s placed the highest level of importance on Active Travel (with 47.7% placing this in their top three), followed by men (46.0%, compared with 36.8% of women).

Respondents aged 55 or over, men, and those identified as disabled placed the highest importance on "Revitalising the city centre, and district and local centres", with over 40% of each group placing this in their top three most important policy approaches, compared with around a quarter of respondents aged under 35, or those with children in their household.

More than half of women (52.6%) placed "Renewed importance of access to green spaces" in their top three most important actions, compared with 36.8% of men.

There were no significant differences of opinion by level of deprivation.

A full breakdown of differences by demographic group can be found in Appendix 18.



#### Please specify what else you consider to be important

Respondents answering 'Other' were asked to give more information: 69 responses were received, and grouped into themes. The top three are shown below, with a full list in Appendix 19

Theme	No	%	Example comments
New Approach	12	17.4	<ul> <li>Change the way Cardiff manages parks &amp; verges to rewilding &amp; local food, low maintenance approach</li> <li>Place people and planet at the centre of every decision, above all else!</li> </ul>
Improve Neighbourhoods / Encourage people to use local amenities / facilities	11	15.9	<ul> <li>Having attractive local neighbourhoods with good transport links and local amenities.</li> <li>Investment in exciting children's play - eg. playgrounds including more money for maintenance.</li> </ul>
Improved Road Infrastructure	8	11.6	<ul> <li>The use of electric cars is growing exponentially, take much more account of that in the plans</li> </ul>

#### Topic 9: Creating places where people want to live, work or explore

#### Issue: Creating good places

It is important that the plan creates places where people want to live, work and explore. This involves identifying what people like about a place and how it can be improved through considering factors such as design, location, infrastructure and above all, the needs of people you're creating the place for.

#### What do you think is good about your neighbourhood?

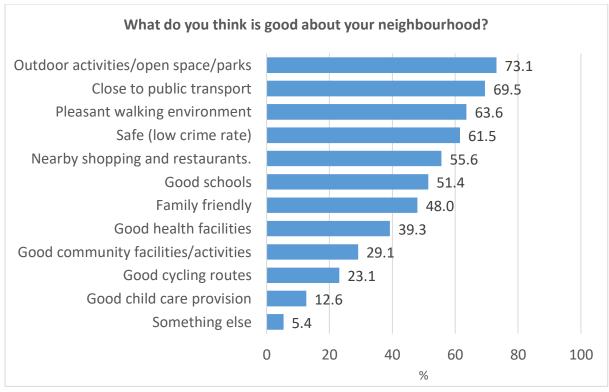
A total of 904 respondents gave an answer this question, giving a response rate of 74.4%

Respondents were given a list, and asked to indicate which they felt applied to making their neighbourhood a good place to live.

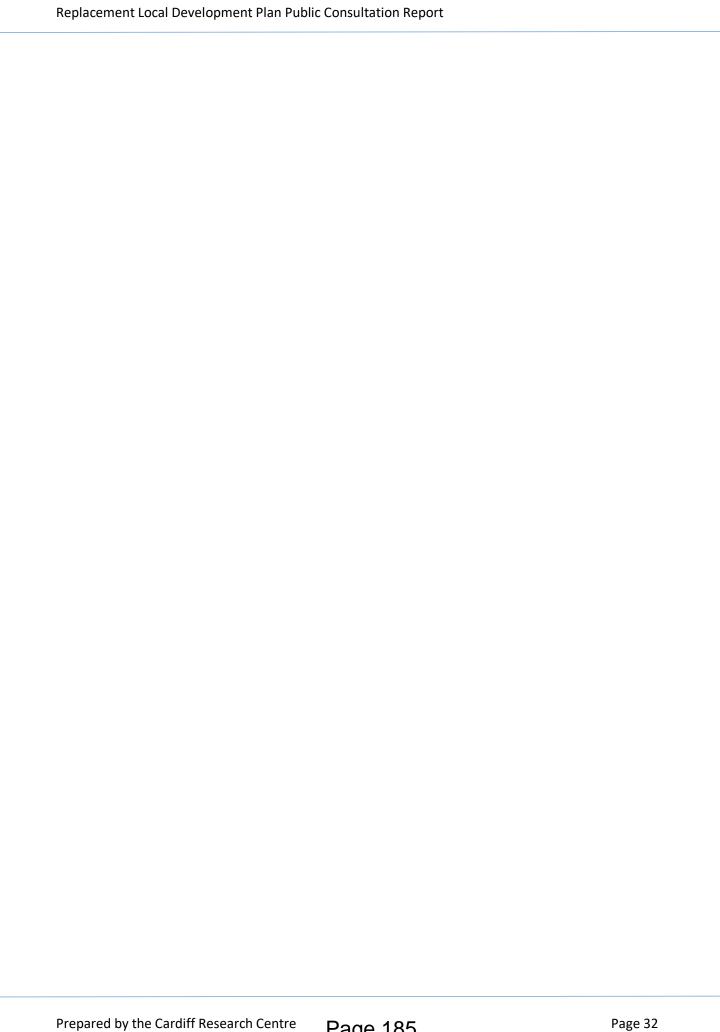
The most common response, selected by almost three-quarters (73.1%) of respondents, was "Outdoor activities/open space/parks".

This was followed by "Close to public transport" (69.5%), a "Pleasant walking environment" (63.6%), and "Safe (low crime rate"), chosen by 61.5% of respondents.

Three in ten (29.1%) cited "Good community facilities/activities). 23.1% "Good cycling routes", and 12.6% stated there was "Good childcare provision".



Percentages do not total 100% as respondent were able to select multiple responses



There were some key differences across the demographic groups analysed.

Respondents living in the Southern Arc of Cardiff were less likely than other groups to list:

- "Outdoor activities/open spaces/parks" (66.7%)
- "Pleasant walking environment" (53.3%)
- "Safe (low crime rate)" (41.9%)
- "Good schools" (31.4%)
- "Family friendly" (36.2%)

Respondents living in the more deprived areas were notably less likely than those living in more affluent areas to cite:

- "Pleasant walking environment" (40.3% in the most deprived areas, compared to 69.7% in the least deprived areas)
- "Safe (low crime rate)" (25.8% in the most deprived areas, compared with 79.8% in the least)
- "Good health facilities" (29.0% in the most deprived areas compared with 43.3% in the least deprived areas)

Men were most likely to describe their neighbourhood as "Safe" – 66.7% compared with 57.1% of women.

Respondents with children in their household were most likely to cite "Good schools" (64.5%), "Family friendly" (57.5%), and "Good childcare facilities" (21.5%)

Older respondents were most likely to state "Good health facilities" (46.0%), "Good community facilities/activities" (32.3%)

Respondents from a Minority Ethnicity were least likely to cite "Good health facilities" (28.6%) or "Good community facilities/activities" (23.8%)

Around three in ten respondents from a Minority Ethnicity, or aged under 35 cited "Good cycling routes", compared with 18.5% of those aged 55 or over.

A full breakdown by demographic and geographic groups can be found in Appendix 20.

Respondents answering 'Something else' were asked to specify what this was: 47 responses were received, and grouped into themes. The top three are shown below, with a full list in Appendix 21.

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Proximity / Accessibility /	18	38.3	- Good location to get to various locations.
Close to Local Amenities / Facilities			<ul> <li>Allotment, which is a great place to take grow your own food and get a good workout doing it!</li> </ul>
			- Plenty of choice of places of worship.
Negative Comments	12	25.5	<ul> <li>Nothing is good we feel scared unsafe and minoritised and surrounded by crooks drug dealers and nasty creatures</li> </ul>
			- Not an area I would choose if I could afford to move
<b>Community Spirit</b>	7	14.9	- Diversity within the community.
			<ul> <li>The good thing about my neighbourhood is the community, the people.</li> </ul>

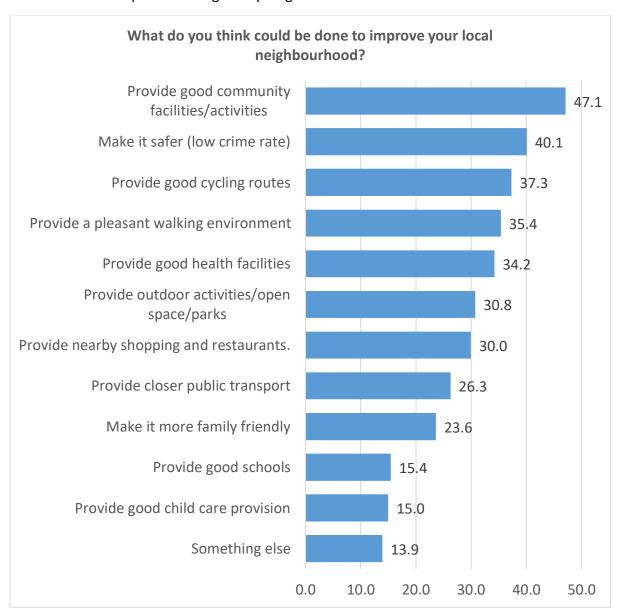
#### What do you think could be done to improve your local neighbourhood?

A total of 868 responses were received for this question, giving a response rate of 71.4%

Respondents were then asked what could be done to improve their local neighbourhood.

The biggest response was "Provide good community facilities/activities", mentioned by 47.1% of respondents.

Two-fifths of respondents (40.1%) wanted their neighbourhood to be made safer, and 37.3% wanted the provision of good cycling routes.



Percentages do not total 100% as respondent were able to select multiple responses

There were some notable differences across the demographic groups analysed.

Respondents identifying as disabled and those from a Minority Ethnicity were most likely to call for the provision of good community facilities/activities (60.2% and 59.3% respectively).

Men were less likely to feel the provision of good community facilities/activities would improve their neighbourhood (43.8%, compared with 53.0% of women)

Respondents under the age of 35 were most likely to cite the provision of good cycling routes would improve their neighbourhood, compared with 30.2% of those aged 55 or over. They were also more likely to want the provision of outdoor activities/open spaces/parks (39.7%), and of closer public transport (36.2%).

Around a third of respondents from a Minority Ethnicity, and those with children in their household, wanted their neighbourhood to be made more family friendly (32.1% and 31.3% respectively).

Respondents identifying as disabled were least likely to feel their neighbourhood could be improved by:

- Provision of good cycling routes (25.0%)
- Provide a pleasant walking environment (28.4%)

This group was more likely to cite "Provide good health facilities" (52.3%), and provision of closer public transport (35.2%)

Those living in the Southern Arc of the city were more likely to feel their neighbourhood could be improved by:

- Making it safer/lower crime rate (61.9%)
- Provide a pleasant walking environment (47.4%)
- Provision of outdoor activities/open spaces/parks (39.5%)

Looking at opinions by areas of differing levels of deprivation, some notable differences were identified:

- 82.8% of those resident in the most deprived areas wanted their local neighbourhood to be safe, compared with 17.6% of those living in the least deprived areas
- 45.3% of those in the most deprived areas wanted the provision of outdoor activities/open spaces/parks compared with 27.1% of those in the least deprived areas
- 43.8% in the most deprived areas wanted their neighbourhood to be more family friendly, compared with 18.1% of residents in the most affluent areas
- 29.7% of those living in the most deprived areas wanted good childcare provision, compared with 11.8% of those in the least deprived areas.

A full breakdown of these results is available in Appendix 22.

Respondents answering 'Something else' were asked to give further details. In total, 117 responses were received, which have been grouped into themes. The top three are shown below, with a full list in Appendix 23.

Theme	No	%	Example comments
More / Improved Local Amenities / Facilities	26	22.2	<ul> <li>Community gardens and farmers markets. More sports facilities. Car charging points.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Make children's playgrounds more exciting by adding more equipment; Change policies to not allow neighbours moving close to existing parks and playgrounds to have equipment removed due to noise etc.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>We only have big supermarkets - no small neighbourhood shops. Hence people drive more, and few focal points exist for the community</li> </ul>
Retain / Protect Green Spaces	18	15.4	<ul> <li>Not decimate our neighbourhood by taking away our peace, quiet and tranquillity. Preserve our air quality, green space, nature and wildlife.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Stop building on green belt land destroying habitats and green space.</li> </ul>
Improve Litter Issues	17	14.5	<ul> <li>More bins &amp; cleaning of the streets. Fine people who leave rubbish in their front gardens.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>More street cleaning and drain maintenance. Bins that the seagulls can't get into!</li> </ul>

#### Topic 10: Protecting Green and Blue Infrastructure

#### Issue: Green Spaces

Green spaces play an important role as a place for recreation, walking, cycling, etc. and it is important there are sufficient and accessible green spaces in the city for both residents physical and mental health. They also provide an important habitat to support wildlife and biodiversity.

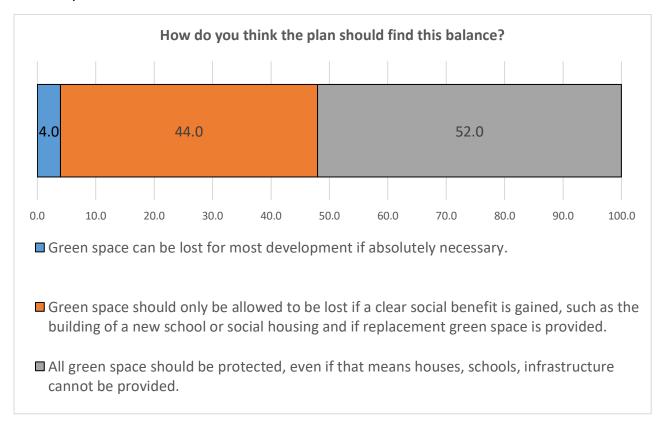
In providing for future growth the plan will need to find an appropriate balance towards protecting green spaces and meeting the need for new homes and jobs.

#### How do you think the plan should find this balance?

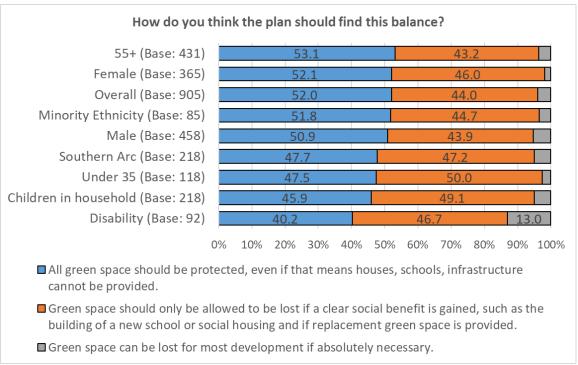
A total of 905 responses were received for this question, giving a response rate of 74.5%

Just over half of those responding to this question (52.0%) felt that "all green space should be protected, even if that means houses, schools, infrastructure cannot be provided"; 44.0% felt that "green space should only be allowed to be lost if a clear social benefit is gained, such as the building of a new school or social housing, and if replacement green space is provided".

Just 4.0% suggested that "green space can be lost for most development if absolutely necessary".

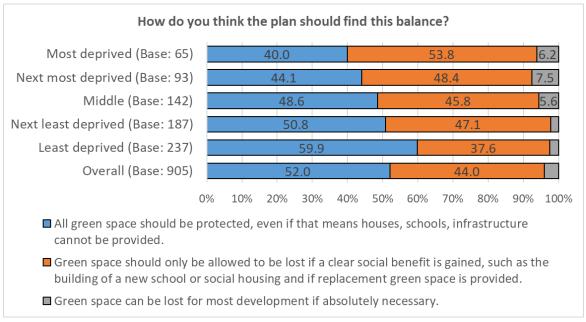


Older respondents, and women, were most likely to support the protection of green spaces at the expense of the provision of new infrastructure (53.1% and 52.1% respectively); half of those aged under 35 (50.0%) felt that green space should only be lost if there is a clear social benefit, and replacement green space is provided



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There was a correlation in answer by the level of deprivation, with those living in more deprived areas more likely to support the loss of green space for the gain of a clear social benefit, and replacement of the green space, whilst those in the more affluent areas were more likely to feel that green space should be protected at the cost of new infrastructure.



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#### What other approaches would you suggest?

A total of 308 responses were received for this question, which have been grouped into themes. The top three themes are shown below, with a full list shown in Appendix 24.

Theme	No	%	Example comments			
Green Spaces To Be Protected	78	25.3	<ul> <li>Use of green space should only be sanctioned as a last resort when all other options have been exhausted and the decision making scrutinised to ensure it is the case.</li> <li>Green spaces need to be protected and increased, there are enough brown field sites that can be redeveloped into housing.</li> <li>Too much green space already used</li> <li>Given the climate and biodiversity emergencies, there's no question now that all green space must be protected and alternative approaches taken. Perhaps we need to obsess less about growth and focus more on preservation - we cannot keep on infinitely growing - the planet can't take it</li> <li>I cannot see the point of creating 'new' green spaces to replace existing, just be more creative about</li> </ul>			
			there are enough brown field sites that can be			
			- Too much green space already used			
			there's no question now that all green space must be protected and alternative approaches taken.  Perhaps we need to obsess less about growth and focus more on preservation - we cannot keep on			
Develop / Re-use Existing Buildings / Space	61	19.8	. , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			
			<ul> <li>Green space only as last resort. Make use of existing built up spaces.</li> </ul>			
			<ul> <li>Always look for areas that need updating and can be "recycled" for other use before taking any green spaces away. These green spaces are vital to people's wellbeing but more importantly to nature and we are losing too much already.</li> </ul>			
			- Use brown land, rebuild or update empty houses			
Develop / Use Brownfield Land	47	15.3	<ul> <li>Build on brown sites</li> <li>Prioritise brownfield development and repurposing of existing redundant building</li> <li>Better use of brownfield areas. Incentivise</li> </ul>			
			developers to use infill areas			

#### Issue: Nature and Trees

Trees play a key role in tackling climate change through their role as carbon sinks and also provide an important habitat to support woodland wildlife and biodiversity.

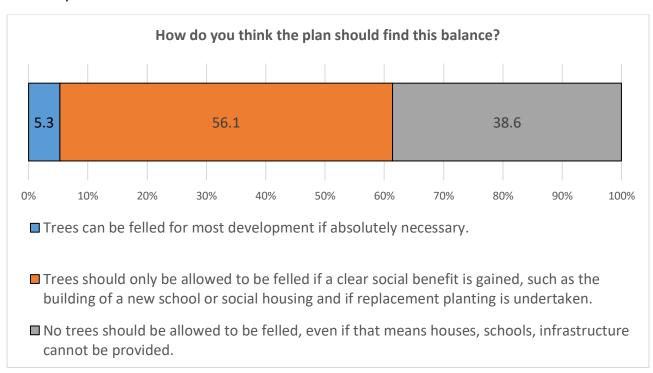
In providing for future growth the plan will need to find an appropriate balance towards protecting trees and meeting the need for new homes and jobs.

#### How do you think the plan should find this balance?

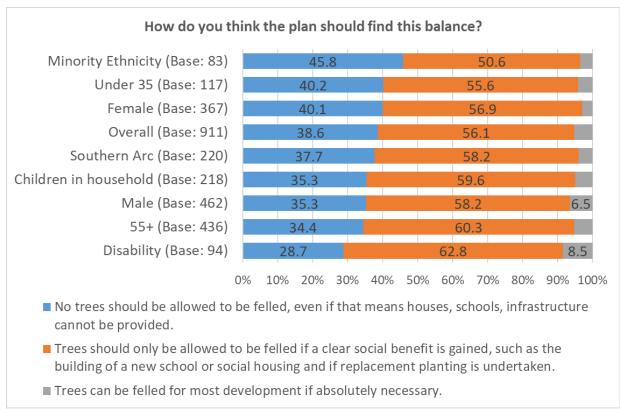
A total of 911 responses were received for this question, giving a response rate of 75.0%

Over half (56.1%) of those responding to this question felt that "trees should only be allowed to be felled if a clear social benefit is gained, such as the building of a new school or social housing, and if replacement planting is undertaken", whilst just over a third (38.6%) felt that "no trees should be allowed to be felled, even if that means houses, schools, infrastructure, cannot be provided".

Just one in twenty (5.3%) stated that "trees can be felled for most development if absolutely necessary".

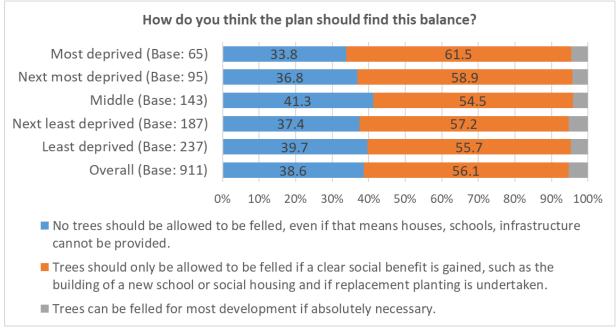


Respondents identifying as disabled were most likely to support the felling of trees for a clear social beneift, and if replacement trees are planted (62.% and 60.3% respectively), whilst respondents from a Minority Ethnicity, and those aged under 35 were most likely to state that no trees should be felled, even at the expense of the provision of new infrastructure (45.8% and 40.2% respectively).



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There was no clear correlation by level of deprivation:



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# Topic 11: Protecting historic and cultural assets

#### Issue: Historic and cultural assets

As Cardiff continues to change, there is an increasing need to protect, promote, conserve and enhance its historic and cultural assets and recognise the important role they play in the economic, environmental and social fabric of the city.

What measures do you think the plan needs to put in place to protect the city's historic assets and further enhance and promote the city's role as a capital city and as an international destination for residents and visitors?

A total of 247 responses were received for this question, which have been grouped into themes. The top three themes are shown below, with a full list in Appendix 25.

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Better transport links	35	14.2	<ul> <li>Got to sort out public transportation, it is the weak link in Cardiff's offer</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Cultural facilities in city centre are hampered by bad transport policies</li> </ul>
			- Reintroduce a central hub for public transport.
Better Art/ Cultural offer	30	12.1	<ul> <li>A huge focus on culture, of which history is a part, through arts, crafts, and music. Expand the music scene.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>More city wide co-ordination of historic and cultural assets.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Market Cardiff as a city if historical importance with incredible architecture, culture and make the visiting experience excellent for all ages</li> </ul>
Green spaces	27	10.9	<ul> <li>Green spaces should be legally protected from future developments and to ensure our city does not become a concrete jungle; planning restriction should be tighter to ensure development is in keeping with environment and sustainable infrastructure and biodiversity wise.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Protect and improve the green areas of the city which are its key attraction</li> </ul>

#### 12: Vision and Objectives

The Plan will need to be guided by an over-arching Vision and we are consulting early in the process to share our initial thinking on the Vision for the plan in order to try to build consensus at an early stage and allow time to consider feedback ahead of further stages of engagement.

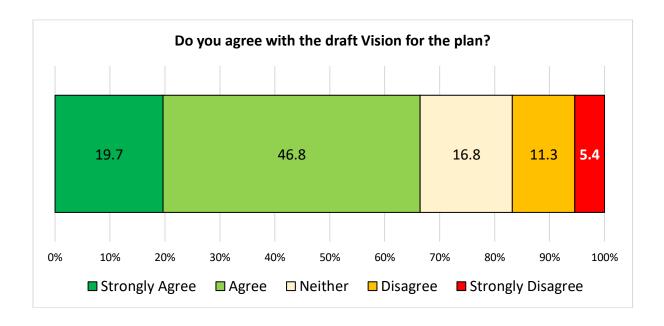
To create a fairer and more sustainable city by:

- Responding to the urgent future needs for new homes, jobs and infrastructure;
- Positively tackling the challenges of climate change and post-pandemic recovery;
- Creating a greener, more equal and healthier city which is easier to move around and enhances the wellbeing of future generations;
- Using a placemaking approach, working with local communities to improve neighbourhoods and deliver high quality design;
- Looking after our natural, historic and cultural assets

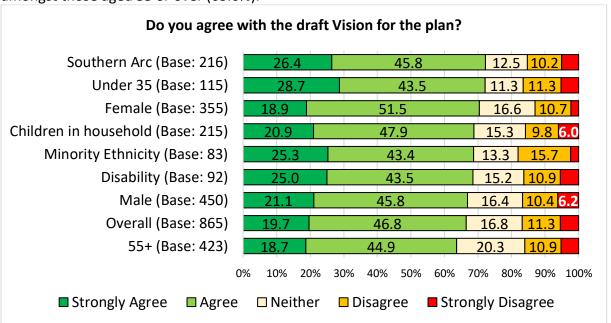
#### Do you agree with the draft Vision for the plan?

A total of 865 responses were received for this question, giving a response rate of 71.2%

Overall, two-thirds (66.5%) of those responding to this question agreed with the draft Vision for the Replacement Local Development Plan, compared with 16.8% who disagreed.

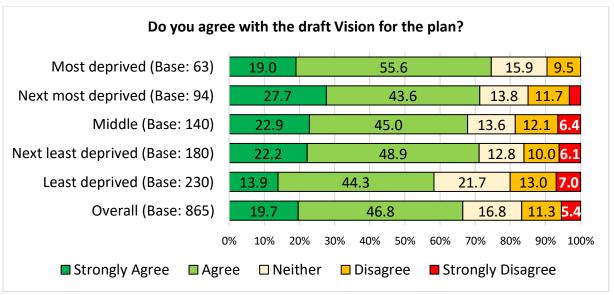


Highest levels of agreement with the draft Vision came from respondents living in the Southern Arc of the city and those under the age of 35 (each 72.2%). Agreement was lower amongst those aged 55 or over (63.6%).



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There was no clear correlation for agreement by level of deprivation, however support was highest amongst those in the most deprived areas (74.6%), and lowest amongst those living in the most affluent areas of the city (58.3%).



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#### Let us know how you think the Vision could be improved

A total of 428 responses were received for this question, which have been grouped into themes. The top three themes are shown below, with a full list in Appendix 26.

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Stop building new/ expand & repurpose existing infrastructure	92	21.5	<ul> <li>Tackle developers pulling the city apart. No use holding your hands up and saying "can't do anything, don't want a legal challenge". You would have the support of the public in doing so.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Need to improve existing housing stock and very carefully look to build newmore carefully than this vision implies!</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Lose the focus on new homes, renovate and expand existing infrastructure rather than building on new land just because a housing crash</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Reduce the emphasis on expansion. Work with Welsh Government and other local authorities to spread development wider across SE Wales</li> </ul>
Climate Change / Cleaner, greener city/protect green	92	21.5	<ul> <li>Doesn't go far enough about the environment. Tackling climate change should be at the core of every one of the values.</li> </ul>
spaces			<ul> <li>Its ok to say this but green issues need to be prioritised and scientists listened to</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Not strong enough on the environment, Climate change isn't the only environmental catastrophe we face, our insect population has dropped by over 75% in 27 years.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>I think the priorities are wrong. By having the 'new homes, jobs and infrastructure' at the start, you are already setting a tone for this being given more weight than green spaces and biodiversity.</li> </ul>
Improved Transport infrastructure- roads/public transport/accessibility	49	11.4	<ul> <li>Transport is the only priority. The current thinking of transport capacity lagging demand is a disaster.</li> <li>Transport capacity needs to lead demand. That is to say you must put in the transport infrastructure first.</li> <li>Current policy has almost destroyed the city centre already.</li> </ul>
			- You must focus on better integrated transport and cycling routes and more greenery in districts. Is there an option for cut and cover road in front of the castle to reopen this back up to pedestrians / public realm whilst keeping the busy road access?
			<ul> <li>The focus on active travel needs to go if you want any form of post-pandemic recovery.</li> </ul>

The LDP objectives aim to deliver the vision for the plan and respond to the key issues the plan needs to address.

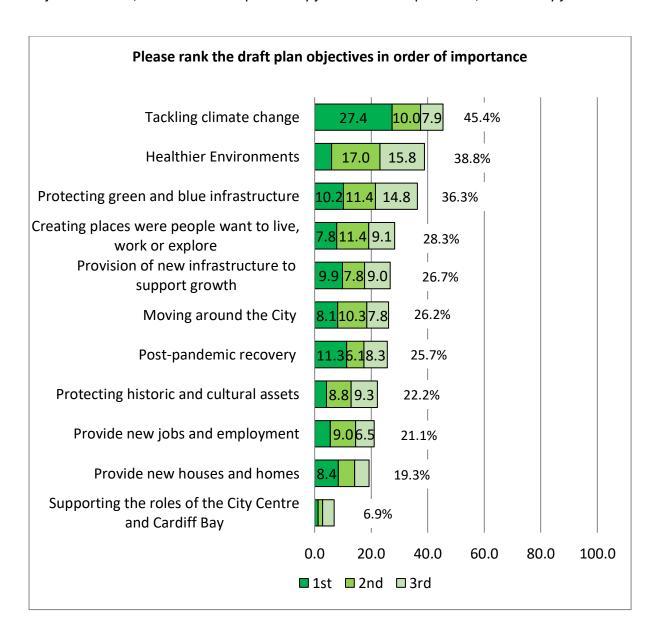
#### Please rank the draft plan objectives in order of importance

A total of 798 respondents gave at least one answer for at least one option to this question, giving an overall response rate of 65.7%

Tackling Climate Change was seen as the most important of the draft plan objectives, with 45.4% ranking this in their top three, and 27.4% ranking this as the single most important.

This was followed by Healthier Environments, ranked in the top three by 38.8%, and first by 6.0%, and Protecting Green & Blue Infrastructure, ranked in the top three by 36.3%, and first by 10.2%.

Supporting the roles of the city centre and Cardiff Bay was seen as least important of the objectives listed, ranked in the top three by just 6.9% of respondents, and first by just 1.3%.



There were differences of opinion across the different demographic groups analysed.

Respondents under the age of 35 were most likely to rank "Tackling Climate Change" as their most important objective, with 33.6% ranking this as the single most important objective, and 57.9% placing it in their top three. They were also more likely than average to place importance on "Moving around the City", with 32.7% ranking this in their top three.

Respondents over the age of 55 placed less importance on "Tackling Climate Change", with 38.2% placing this in their top three most important objectives.

Women were more likely to include "Tackling Climate Change" (50.8%), "Healthier Environments" (44.8%) and "Protecting Green and Blue Infrastructure" (42.9%) in their top three; men were more likely to include "Provision of new infrastructure to support growth" (32.5%) and "Moving around the City" (31.8%).

Those identifying as disabled were more likely to support objectives to "Provide new houses and homes" (34.5%), "Post-pandemic recovery" (35.6%), and "Provision of infrastructure to support growth" (35.6%).

Respondents with children in their household were more likely to include "Tackling Climate Change" (53.3%) and "Healthier Environments" (46.2%) in their top three most important objectives

Those living in the most deprived areas of the city placed more importance on "Creating places people want to live, work and explore" (34.5%), "Provide new houses and homes" (29.1%) and "Provide new jobs and employment (23.6%). Those living in the least deprived areas placed higher importance on "Protecting green and blue infrastructure" (39.8%) and "Supporting the roles of the City Centre and Cardiff Bay" (9.5%).

A full breakdown is available in Appendix 27.

#### Would you add any other objectives?

A total of 208 responses were received for this question, which have been grouped into themes. The top three themes are shown below, with a full list available in Appendix 28

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Greener city	27	13.0	<ul> <li>Moving around the city in a sustainable way</li> <li>Biodiversity should be key</li> <li>Creating a more beautiful and less generic looking city.</li> </ul>
Improved Transport infrastructure-roads/public	27	13.0	<ul> <li>Should not be any new homes until infrastructure has been put in place to cope with the 10,000 that have been built in last 8 years</li> </ul>
transport/accessibility			<ul> <li>The more equal city mentioned in the Vision is not in the Objectives I've noticed. Why's that?</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Transport, transport, transport. The Metro plan must be front and centre of the LDP. All new developments must be Metro-centred, not built without consideration with a bus service added as an afterthought to an already congested roads. Public transport must be fast, clean, reliable, 24hr, cheap, safe. And make the developers pay for it.</li> </ul>
Question concerns / Queries	22	10.6	<ul> <li>Again, ranking these is difficult. They all have to work well and together to achieve the vision.</li> <li>I've no idea what Blue infrastructure means</li> </ul>
			- These are a list of aspirations NOT reality! The net is far too wide and as a result, little will get done!

#### 13. Additional Comments

# Do you have any other comments?

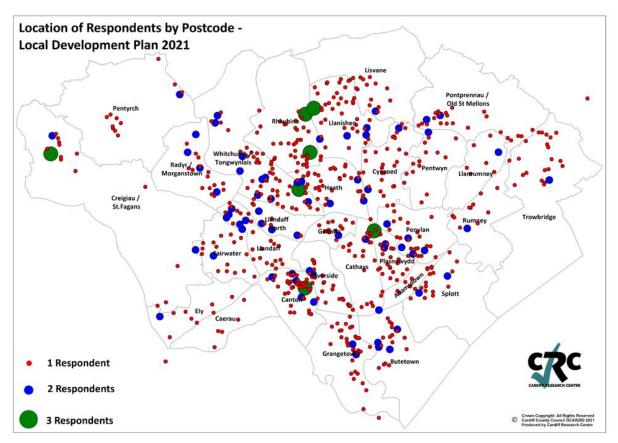
A total of 275 responses were received for this question, which have been grouped into themes. The top three are shown below, with a full list at Appendix 29.

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Protect Green Spaces / Address Climate	48	17.5	- Address the climate emergency and stop destroying green spaces
Emergency			<ul> <li>Protect our green spaces and heritage. Cardiff is in danger of being destroyed by developers.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Cut out the obsession with building on greenfield sites</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>We need to be serious about tackling climate change. It is important that short term gain does not take priority over long term solutions.</li> </ul>
Survey Concerns / Consultation will be ignored	32	11.6	- It makes little difference what is said as you do as you like anyway
			<ul> <li>Not really sure why you have bothered to ask as Cardiff Council will already have done deals with developers!</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>I realise my completing this questionnaire is a pointless and you will do what you want anyway. I do wonder why you bother to seek public opinion and then ignore it. Just more "box ticking" Sadly.</li> </ul>
Planning concerns	28	10.2	<ul> <li>I would like to see more powers of objectivity in the planning department. They need better controls over quality and design of new builds to protect the city's skyline.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Do not make Cardiff look like every other city with too many ugly high rise buildings.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Stop allowing developers to build all this poor quality student accommodation. It's a disgrace to the city centre. Raise standards in building design</li> </ul>

# Appendix 1 – Demographic Profile of Respondents

#### Please provide your full postcode

A total of 746 respondents provided their postcode. The map below shows the location of complete postcodes within Cardiff.



Of these, 222 respondents were identified as being resident in the Southern Arc of Cardiff.

#### **Southern Arc of Cardiff**



#### What was your age on your last birthday?

	No	%
16-24	14	1.6
25-34	105	11.9
35-44	145	16.4
45-54	157	17.8
55-64	203	23.0
65-74	176	19.9
75+	60	6.8
Prefer not to say	23	2.6
	883	100.0

#### Are you...?

	No	%
Female	369	41.9
Male	467	53.0
Other	1	0.1
Prefer not to say	44	5.0
	881	100.0

#### Do you identify as Trans?

	No	%	
Yes	2		0.2
No	793		93.0
Prefer to self-describe	6		0.7
Prefer not to say	52		6.1
	853		100.0

#### Do any children live in your household?

	No	%
No children	638	74.1
Yes, under 5 years old (pre-school)	57	6.6
Yes, aged 5 - 11 (primary school)	102	11.8
Yes, aged 11 - 16 (secondary school)	64	7.4
Yes, aged 16 - 18 in full-time education, or working	62	7.2
Yes, aged 16 - 18 but not in full time education or working	9	1.0
	861	-

#### Which of the following best describes what you are doing at present?

	No	%
Working full time (30+ hours per week)	422	47.8
Working part time (less than 30 hours per week)	107	12.1
In full time education	6	0.7
Unemployed - Registered Job Seeker	5	0.6
Unemployed - Unregistered but seeking work	9	1.0
On a zero hour contract	4	0.5
Permanently sick or disabled person	22	2.5
Wholly retired from work	247	28.0
Looking after home	10	1.1
Caring for a child or adult	17	1.9
Other	33	3.7
	882	100.0

#### Which of the following best describes your housing tenure?

	No	%
Owned outright	401	45.6
Owned with a mortgage	346	39.4
Rented from the Local Authority	20	2.3
Rented from a Housing Association	13	1.5
Private rented	88	10.0
Other	11	1.3
	879	100.0

#### Do you identify as a disabled person?

	No	%
Yes	94	10.9
No	722	83.6
Prefer not to say	48	5.6
	864	100.0

#### Please tick any of the following that apply to you:

	No	%
Deaf/ Deafened/ Hard of hearing	55	17.9
Mental health difficulties	58	18.8
Learning impairment/ difficulties	9	2.9
Visual impairment	13	4.2
Wheelchair user	4	1.3
Mobility impairment	64	20.8
Long-standing illness or health condition (e.g. cancer, diabetes, or asthma)	144	46.8
Prefer not to say	57	18.5
Other	8	2.6
	308	-

## Do you consider yourself to be Welsh?

	No	%
Yes	611	70.9
No	251	29.1
	862	100.0

## What is your ethnic group?

	No	%
White - Welsh/English/Scottish/Northern Irish/British	756	86.6
White - Irish	13	1.5
White - Any other white background	42	4.8
Mixed/Multiple Ethnic Groups - White & Asian	3	0.3
Mixed/Multiple Ethnic Groups - White and Black	2	0.2
Caribbean		
Mixed/Multiple Ethnic Groups - Any other	6	0.7
Asian/Asian Welsh/British - Indian	5	0.6
Asian/Asian Welsh/British – Pakistani	2	0.2
Asian/Asian Welsh/British - Any other	3	0.3
Black/African/Caribbean/Black Welsh/British	2	0.2
Any other ethnic group (please specify)	8	0.9
Prefer not to say	31	3.6
	873	100.0

# Appendix 2 – Breakdown of Results for Priorities for new infrastructure by Demographic Groups

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Houses needed/ Quality / Affordable housing / Social housing	278	30.0	<ul> <li>There is a shortage of affordable housing especially for first time buyers in the city.</li> <li>Currently my children will never be able to buy a house</li> <li>We need more council housing and low rent costs</li> <li>There is a need for affordable housing in Cardiff</li> <li>More homes are needed but there is a growing need for cheaper good quality Council and Housing Association homes and not homes which require a mortgage for the privileged people who can afford them.</li> <li>More good quality housing is essential.</li> </ul>
			- Nowhere near enough housing
Preserve Green Space	273	29.4	- Cardiff is known for being a green city, yet these boundaries are continuously being pushed.
			<ul> <li>important to provide housing but still need protect land</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>A balance between housing need and the benefits of green spaces</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Green spaces are fundamentally important to the wellbeing of the citizens. Any future building should be on brown field sites</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>We need more houses but part of Cardiff's charm is the proximity to green space.</li> </ul>
Need to improve infrastructure/ Services /	235	25.4	<ul> <li>There should be no further land for housing until sufficient infrastructure has been provided to accommodate it.</li> </ul>
Public transport			<ul> <li>traffic is out of control, we need to improve transports and roads before building more houses</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>More homes are needed, but the infrastructures always take so much longer to do, and the public transport links are just so poor to the areas now being built on further outside of the City</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>The housing supply is currently outstripping the infrastructure and needs to be reduced slightly until an infrastructure plan is delivered</li> </ul>

			<ul> <li>There has been neglect of the need to provide infrastructure as described to support existing and ongoing housing development in the city.</li> </ul>
Too many developments	144	15.5	<ul> <li>We are already experiencing overdevelopment of suburban and rural areas</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>We urgently need the exact opposite of the current super-heating approach of encouraging frenzied growth. Cool the growth and less new housing is needed</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>A great many new developments have already taken place.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Houses being built everywhere we look and according to recent evidence, the Cardiff population growth has been grossly exaggerated.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>The city is now big enough and any further construction will clog the citys infrastructure up even more, build a new city elsewhere if you feel more housing is needed</li> </ul>
Balance growth / development	139	15.0	<ul> <li>Cardiff needs to grow fast to become the world city Wales needs. But this should not be at the expense of what makes Cardiff great – a green, compact and liveable city</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>A balance is needed, between growth (which is inevitable) and too much encroachment on Green spaces</li> </ul>
			- A balance between housing need and the benefits of green spaces
			<ul> <li>We need sustainable growth that doesn't destroy our green spaces. Reuse and adaption of existing buildings should be key and a vital role.</li> </ul>
Repurpose old/empty buildings	117	12.6	<ul> <li>Although I fully understand the need for new housing, I thing that the priority should lie with revitalising run down areas and refurbishing abandoned buildings and plots across town.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>we need to make uses of all the empty plots/housing before building massive developments on green open space.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>we should also look at reusing and repurposing existing buildings, particularly as demand for city centre large office spaces and extensive student accommodation schemes are not being used to their full potential</li> </ul>

			<ul> <li>Clear up some of the slums, and empty buildings, before you build on green field sites.</li> </ul>
Use Brownfield sites	106	11.4	<ul> <li>Please use the existing brown sites and renovation of dilapidated houses first before building new houses.</li> </ul>
			- Utilise brownfield sites more
			<ul> <li>Housing is needed and there is no problem as long as use brownfield sites as far as possible</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Do not want to lose greenfield sites but happy for brownfield sites to be used.</li> </ul>
Replace/improve older stock	78	8.4	<ul> <li>cleverer use of the what's already available should negate the need for too much more building</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>It would be better to use currently vacant houses as well as building more.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Existing housing developments need to be updated to improve communities</li> </ul>
			- Use the ones empty, derelict or half built
			<ul> <li>You can renovate repurpose not build new green sites</li> </ul>
Houses needed / not flats	68	7.3	- We need houses, not flats
			<ul> <li>I accept there should be growth but at the same time we should be building the right type of homes and not just large detached homes in affluent areas with a token gesture of social housing. There needs to be a wide mix of varying sized private homes.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Need to change some of the housing offered. There are a large number of blocks of flat around Cardiff South and central that are empty as they do not offer suitable housing</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>We need more HOUSES not flats, therefore more 2/3 bed houses to be built which will take more space but provide homes!</li> </ul>
Growth figures questionable	57	6.1	<ul> <li>I think we need to start low and see how things play out. The growth figures have already altered once quite significantly.</li> </ul>
		- As only a quarter of the original prediction of housing in the last survey was correct, the figure this time should adapt for that accordingly to save the	
			city's character and green space.
			<ul> <li>- Now that future population figures have been revised, do we need to build so many new homes?</li> </ul>

Homes for young people	52	5.6	<ul> <li>There are no houses for young people to buy - I want to buy in Cardiff but there's no chance at the moment.</li> <li>Currently my children will never be able to buy a</li> </ul>
			house
			<ul> <li>We need more affordable housing for first time buyers</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Young people are being shut out which is unfair.</li> <li>Cardiff needs young people to live thrive and work in the city.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>You need to create opportunities for young people.</li> <li>The cost of housing, rented or owned, is ridiculously high</li> </ul>
Too much student accommodation	47	5.1	<ul> <li>Cardiff has loads of empty high rise student flats in Cardiff that can't be let as it is</li> </ul>
			- Repurpose student high rise for residential use
			<ul> <li>There is currently an excess in student accommodation compared to demand. Encouraging landlords to provide more permanent housing rather than temporary student accommodation could help housing needs.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>There is too much development in city for 'students'!!!</li> </ul>
Developers breach/ include community facilities / Infrastructure	39	4.2	<ul> <li>Time and time again you roll over on big developers and allow them to refuse to contribute towards community development and infrastructure.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Better use of current housing and improving community facilities is just as important.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>It appears that all new developments take place before an adequate infrastructure is prioritized.</li> </ul>
Build more within the city region	33	3.6	<ul> <li>There should be a limit to growth in Cardiff and efforts made to develop more deprived areas of Wales</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>It's time to expand beyond the M4 rather than building on the few green spaces that are left</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Yes, we need more homes (especially affordable ones). But is Cardiff growing at the expense of other places in the metropolitan region (Valleys, Newport)?</li> </ul>
Private Landlord Concerns / Multiple properties	26	2.8	<ul> <li>There is already too much growth. What you need to do is prevent landlords buying all the houses. There should be a maximum number of properties that</li> </ul>

			landlords can own thus freeing up property for private buyers.
			<ul> <li>Stop people purchasing homes to let, and multiple properties in order to solve housing crisis instead of building more homes which will then be sold as 'buy to let'</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Council needs to dissuade landlords from gobbling up housing</li> </ul>
COVID - change demand closer proximity to city	24	2.6	<ul> <li>The city is too congested and polluted already. The pandemic has already influenced people to relocate to the valleys and wider area.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Covid has changed things. Office workers moving further out of cities.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Shift in working patterns to home working will mean people will not move to Cardiff to save a commute.</li> </ul>
Low energy homes	16	1.7	- we need low energy homes that use green energy
needed			<ul> <li>Cost of housing is a real problem - new housing doesn't have to be environmentally damaging. I am all in favour of environmentally sensitive new housing</li> </ul>
Denser Communities	15	1.6	- Build denser communities free from car dependency.
			- There is only so much space. So mixed density might be a way. Otherwise, there is just urban sprawl.
Concerns around questions / more info required	15	1.6	<ul> <li>The question does not address the core issue. The City needs to solve the homeless and housing issues but it is not just about numbers. It is about building the type of houses in the areas that they are required.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>The question did not make clear where the housing would be and what type of housing, so it is hard to judge the impact</li> </ul>
Misc.	77	8.3	<ul> <li>Homes are available just not used or fit for habitation</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Should be building more bungalows for the older generation and not too small so that houses can become available for families</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>We should have a more European balance on rental/ownership - not everyone needs to own their homes</li> </ul>
Total	927	-	-

# Appendix 3 – A home that is... "Something else"

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Consideration of Environment/Nature	54	20.6	<ul> <li>Design that incorporates old buildings and enhances rather than bulldozers local character</li> <li>The earth is now at a point of no return. If you don't prioritise getting rid of fossil fuel boilers and cars we are not going to exist anymore and this earth will be a desert. WAKE UP!</li> <li>Awareness of carbon footprint and consequences of creating housing development too far away from necessary communication and amenities</li> <li>Target energy neutral, reduce/remove reliance on cement, drive developers to use solar/heat pumps/renewable materials, disconnect car reliance</li> </ul>
Sustainability	44	16.8	<ul> <li>Good design and built to last using local materials and services.</li> <li>Cardiff needs to respond to the climate crisis with a sustainable and energy efficient building stock. This also means retrofitting of existing buildings.</li> <li>Target energy neutral, reduce/remove reliance on cement, drive developers to use solar/heat pumps/renewable materials</li> <li>PassivHaus principles please</li> </ul>
Better design / quality / sympathetic to their settings	42	16.0	<ul> <li>Better design and build quality is needed. Too many new build homes are architecturally depressing, not just for the people who live in them but those who have to look at them on a daily basis.</li> <li>The aesthetic and quality of materials used. Innovative and attractive housing that is sympathetic with the surroundings.</li> <li>The new builds should be visually beautiful. The aesthetic value of the buildings is often a feature not considered in the planning process, there are many positives that beautiful buildings bring to an area and are worthy of consideration.</li> </ul>
Need improved transport infrastructure	41	15.6	<ul> <li>Transport infrastructure that does not increase pressure on existing areas and bottlenecks on roads. All these new developments need train stations.</li> <li>Proper consideration for getting from A to B. Plasdwr assumes everyone can cycle the 6 miles to town or walk the mile plus to radyr station - many</li> </ul>

			people cannot and also we live in wales, it rains a lot and it's dark a lot!
			- Easy green travel into the city centre
Affordability	40	15.3	- Affordable housing
			- Affordable to low income groups
			- affordable to run
Green Space	37	14.1	<ul> <li>green spaces and green energy with community areas</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Within walking distance of a green space suitable for walking, running or exercise</li> </ul>
			- Community gardens
Bigger Houses	26	9.9	- Bigger houses on new builds. Many new builds are way too small for the cost
			<ul> <li>Less shed -like houses that have more space for cars than the occupants</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Housing must be family friendly and must not continue the trend of making homes smaller and smaller which developers have done to maximise profits.</li> </ul>
Access to local services	24	9.2	<ul> <li>Near to doctors, chemist and dentist. Perhaps there could be facilities for all these things to be together so a person could be allocated to these nearby</li> </ul>
			- Easy access to good schools
			<ul> <li>Family pub serving food. Supermarket sized to meet development ideally in walking distance. Adequate transport links to adjoining areas and town centre.</li> </ul>
Good Parking	17	6.5	<ul> <li>Car parking should be on-site and include charging points for electric vehicles.</li> </ul>
			- Off road parking for at least 2 cars per household
Not Built on greenspace	17	6.5	- No further destruction of green spaces.
			<ul> <li>Prioritising the planet and affordability for those who need it rather than turning every green space into housing developments</li> </ul>
Low Traffic	9	3.4	<ul> <li>Low Traffic neighbourhoods, where cars are discouraged</li> </ul>
			- Better public transport to encourage less need for car ownership
To Feel Safe	8	3.1	<ul> <li>the need to feel safe in your neighbourhood, therefore more police presence and less antisocial behaviour</li> </ul>
			- Safe environments

Less Development / Renovate existing structures	4	1.5	<ul> <li>They're all important. But most important is thinking imaginatively about how we can re-use and upgrade our existing building stock, increasing density, tackling loneliness, increasing energy efficiency etc.</li> </ul>
Misc.	44	16.8	<ul> <li>Evenly distributed social economics - ie not al social housing areas and not all executive home areas.</li> <li>Homes for Veterans</li> <li>Sense of community</li> <li>Good broadband coverage</li> </ul>
Total	262	-	-

# Appendix 4 - What kind of balance should the plan strike in addressing future jobs growth? Please explain your answer

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Jobs vital for economy/ growth	209	30.0	<ul> <li>The City needs growth in jobs and population in order to raise taxes to pay for social infrastructure</li> <li>Young people need work and attraction of talent</li> <li>employment is the future</li> <li>Without jobs a city can go into decline.</li> <li>more jobs are essential at the moment</li> <li>creating new jobs is very important</li> </ul>
Do we need more space / lots of empty offices	162	23.3	<ul> <li>Cardiff is full of empty office and retail space. Fill up what's there first please.</li> <li>I would not support the building of more offices as they don't seem necessary now.</li> <li>Many businesses are now looking to reduce office space in the centre of cities and are encouraging more homeworking. Building more office space in city centres is increasingly outdated and puts more pressure on a city's infrastructure.</li> <li>Creating space for jobs does not mean that more jobs will happen. There must be coordinated approach</li> </ul>
COVID has changed how we work/home working	157	22.6	<ul> <li>Due to the pandemic there are empty offices everywhere, people will likely work from home, there is no requirement for more buildings.</li> <li>The Council needs to consider the direction employers will be taking post-pandemic. To what extent is more flexible working, including from home, likely to become the norm?</li> <li>Covid has changed how business need and use space.</li> <li>Covid and the focus on the capability to work from home has, I think, changed the need to build the amount of commercial properties that was needed previously</li> </ul>
Repurpose empty units	94	13.5	<ul> <li>Build on existing business locations</li> <li>Use unoccupied space in town centre</li> <li>We have too many empty shops &amp; offices already.</li> <li>Why can't redundant buildings be refurbished</li> </ul>

63	9.1	<ul> <li>Growth of jobs should not just be focussed on Cardiff, develop the Valleys and create jobs there</li> <li>Jobs should be spread across the country not just Cardiff</li> <li>Jobs are needed across Wales - it's too easy and unfair to suck them into the city</li> </ul>
62	8.9	<ul> <li>Quality is as important as growth</li> <li>We need stronger high quality work in Wales</li> <li>Need a range of employment to provide</li> </ul>
51	7.3	<ul> <li>opportunities for all.</li> <li>Cardiff as with everywhere needs more jobs, but too many encourages commuting into Cardiff, which needs to be reduced, for environmental and quality of life issues for all</li> <li>People need jobs where they live, who wants to spend time and money commuting?</li> </ul>
40	5.7	<ul> <li>Better transport links required to enable people to take up these jobs</li> <li>Pointless creating so many jobs if the infrastructure isn't in place first</li> </ul>
36	5.2	<ul> <li>jobs for young people</li> <li>There should be jobs available for people in their own locality</li> </ul>
30	4.3	<ul> <li>It is difficult to answer this question without knowing the figures</li> <li>There is an ambiguity here with regards to the type of jobs, and how specific jobs are prioritised.</li> </ul>
24	3.4	<ul> <li>creating new jobs is a priority and locations for new jobs should be only on existing sites or disused sites - not new greenfield locations</li> <li>Growth and loss of green space cannot carry on indefinitely.</li> </ul>
21	3.0	<ul> <li>We need to be prioritising green jobs and a green recovery</li> <li>I would like to think that many new jobs will be created to diminish our reliance on coal and gas.</li> </ul>
17	2.4	<ul> <li>Grow business locally and do not import companies from elsewhere that bring their workers with them</li> <li>We are not utilising the talent and opportunities available to build small cooperative style businesses and local markets.</li> </ul>
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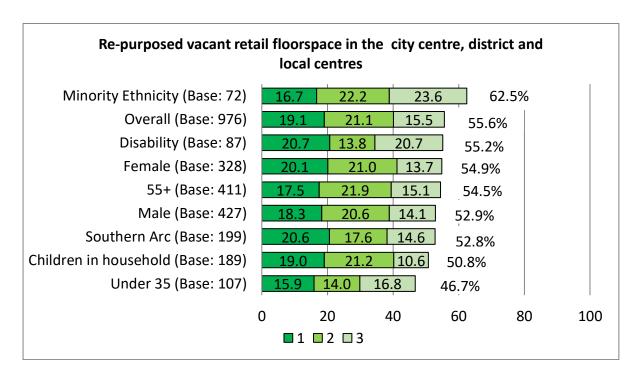
Affordable housing more of an issue	15	2.2	- more jobs mean more people and housing needed
or an issue			- to afford housing you need jobs
Need a balance	13	1.9	- Important to have a balance
			- It's about getting the balance right
Create decentralised work hubs	12	1.7	<ul> <li>Suggest a more decentralised hubs for organisations so that it recognises homeworking and collaboration spaces.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>The need for additional space to work should be offset by more blended working conditions for those that can. More co-working spaces and hubs would be useful.</li> </ul>
Retain welsh graduates	6	0.9	<ul> <li>I think it's important to retain Welsh graduates.</li> <li>These are all too easily lost to other cities with more opportunities.</li> </ul>
Misc.	110	15.8	<ul> <li>Business drives new jobs not the plan. Who is qualified to predict how future jobs will look? Not the planners</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Already a fair amount of vacancies in the city which employers are struggling to fill (I work in the labour market)</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>What is the point of expanding the city if there is no space set aside for jobs?</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>We need to radically rethink and reconfigure the economy post Covid and in the light of the climate emergency.</li> </ul>
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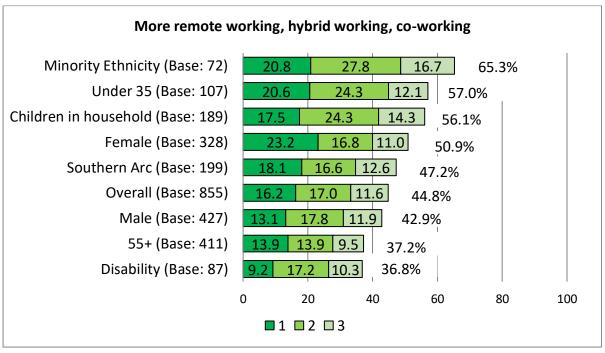
#### Appendix 5 – Workplaces of the Future: Something else

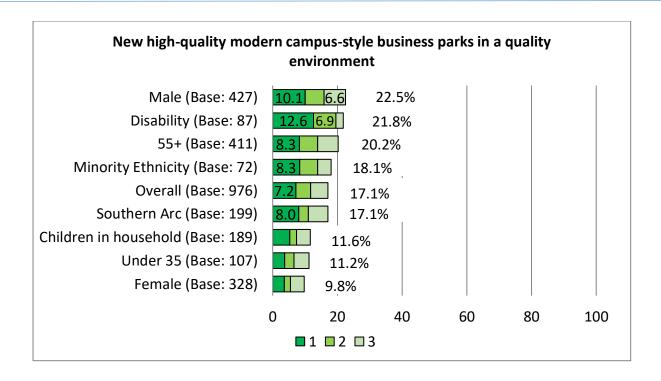
Theme	No	%	Example comments
Ensure empty properties repurposed	25	18.4	<ul> <li>use up all existing disused workspace before building new - I've seen so many new buildings being erected near an identical building with a "to let" sign</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>It surely always makes sense to repurpose and reuse existing spaces before spending money on brand new out of town places usually with no close resources</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Less destruction of our old buildings and architecture.</li> </ul>
Improve transport	19	14.0	- Free travel for all to reduce carbon footprint
			- Good public transport at all hours.
Working from Home	17	12.5	- Allow people to work from home.
			- Supported home working by choice
Adapt city centre - Commercial / Residential / Entertainment premises /	16	11.8	<ul> <li>City centres need to adapt to the changing world.</li> <li>They need to be more innovative and offer a unique experience.</li> </ul>
areas			<ul> <li>The key is a flexible and diverse range of options, particularly mixed-use options which can be reconfigured to respond to changing demands.</li> </ul>
Locality of employment	16	11.8	<ul> <li>A sensible employer location policy (I suggest you use the Dutch ABC location policy)</li> </ul>
			- Minimising travel.
Cap Rent	10	7.4	- affordable rates/rent
			<ul> <li>If the rates were realistic and helped small businesses then we would see less empty shops and more businesses willing to be on the high street.</li> </ul>
Hubs	10	7.4	<ul> <li>Small hubs allowing small businesses to flourish at a reasonable cost</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>remote working, at home or at a local hub, will be significant in the future</li> </ul>
Environmental Impact	9	6.6	<ul> <li>Reduction of environmental impact should be number one on list.</li> </ul>
Greener work places	8	5.9	<ul> <li>Greening up all work areas. Living green walls, picnic and exercise areas, bicycle parking, living roofs, community growing areas, urban bee hives, green, green, green, green.</li> </ul>
Minimised Commuting	7	5.1	- The need to travel for work should be minimised.

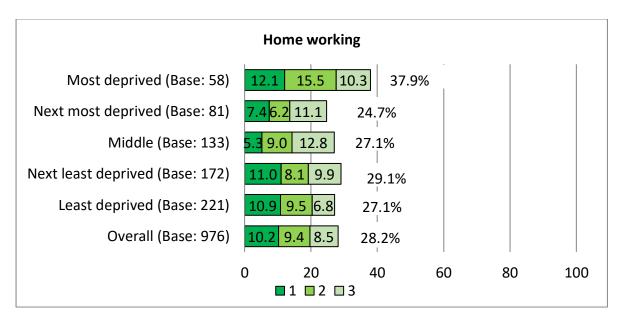
Preserve Greenfield	4	2.9	<ul> <li>Consider transport and accessibility consistent with fewer car journeys, locating jobs near to residential areas, existing transport links</li> </ul>
Health & Well being	4	2.9	- need to avoid loneliness of home workers
Business community to define	3	2.2	- Business will define the workplace it needs, not the planners.
Work/Life balance	2	1.5	<ul> <li>People should have options and flexibility to optimise work/life balance that suits them.</li> </ul>
Misc.	45	33.1	<ul> <li>Quality control in terms of use and maintenance of properties so that commercial areas are well maintained and therefore desirable business locations.</li> </ul>
			- These answers go on about city centres. The Welsh Valley towns need investments, not Churchill Way.
			- Retail restaurants and theatres, museums, art galleries.
Total	136	-	-

#### Appendix 6 - Workplaces of the Future by Demographic Groups









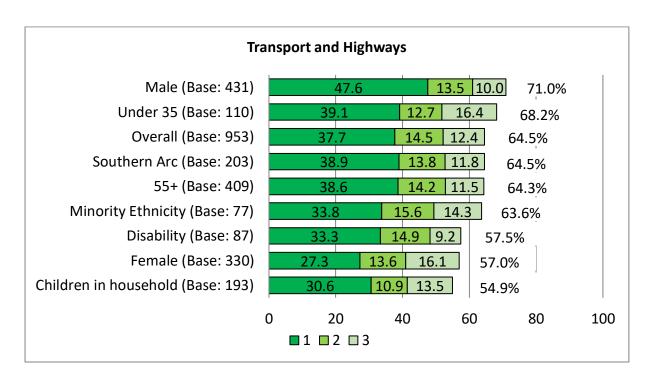
### Appendix 7 - Priorities for new infrastructure: Please list any other facilities

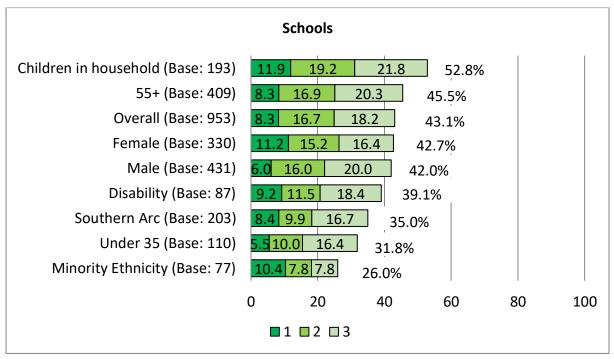
Theme	No	%	Example comments
Difficult to rank	42	20.4	<ul> <li>It is very hard to rank infrastructure all of which is essential to a functioning community. Infrastructure should be planned as a whole and no one element is more important than the other. Getting the infrastructure RIGHT is key</li> <li>They are obviously all important!</li> <li>No - they are all equally relevant. You cannot rank them!</li> </ul>
Transport	38	18.4	- Accessible transport.
		2017	<ul> <li>how about overhead mono rail system following existing road</li> </ul>
			- Electric car charging infrastructure
Road Network	31	15.0	<ul> <li>Good roads for logistics and to bring more businesses to wales</li> </ul>
			- Spend more for the car
			<ul> <li>The road network needs dramatically improving, ring roads etc</li> </ul>
Green infrastructure	29	14.1	<ul> <li>More allotments in the parts of the city that do not currently have them. For instance Butetown, Adamsdown, Grangetown.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Low carbon, sustainability and environmentally responsible considerations should run through all of the above themes.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>I personally include cycling withing Green Infrastructure. A better Green Infrastructure should lead to better health outcomes.</li> </ul>
Community services / facilities	26	12.6	<ul> <li>Protection, enhancement and support for local communities.</li> </ul>
			- Local shops
			<ul> <li>You always ignore the needs of retirees and the contribution that they can make to their community, they need a place where craftsmen can use their skills for the community.</li> </ul>
Active Travel	25	12.1	<ul> <li>Active and public transport should not be listed in with road networks, we urgently need to move away from the cult of the car, deprioritising roads for cars and prioritising bus lanes, railways and cycle paths</li> </ul>

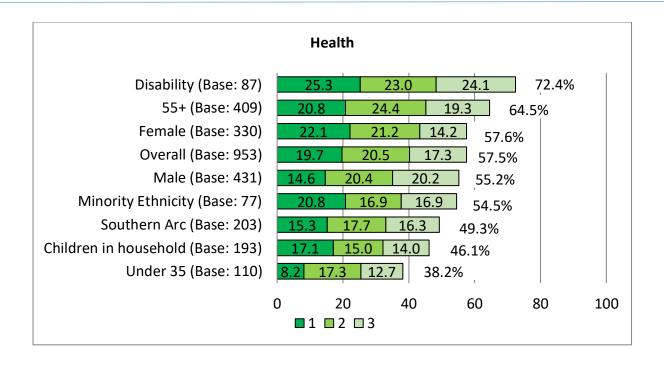
			and footpaths without eating into our greenspaces and parkland
			<ul> <li>Please separate cycle paths from pedestrian paths.</li> <li>Current dual use doesn't work and is dangerous</li> </ul>
			- Further cycling infrastructure improvements
Preserve Green Space	24	11.7	<ul> <li>Regarding green infrastructure- this should also include the 'natural undeveloped environment - not only man made green spaces. The destruction of Northern Meadows is a disgrace for a city which prides itself in being green</li> </ul>
			- More space for allotments and community gardens.
			<ul> <li>Anything that stops environmental degradation comes at the top. If we heat up, flood, there is no LDP</li> </ul>
Health	22	10.7	<ul> <li>Where's social care facilities? Dementia care? Day centres?</li> </ul>
			- CAMHS!
			<ul> <li>Do you realise it takes a month to get a doctor's appointment in Creigiau! Disgusting</li> </ul>
Schools	17	8.3	<ul> <li>More Welsh medium schools, including a new Welsh medium secondary school in south Cardiff.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Schools at the centre of the community which has sport and leisure facilities at an affordable cost and accessible for the community.</li> </ul>
Arts and Culture	15	7.3	- Culture / The Arts
			<ul> <li>Cultural spaces: theatres, galleries, community arts centres</li> </ul>
Reduce Bus/Cycle lanes	7	3.4	<ul> <li>Stop building cycle paths, it's not going to turn the city into Amsterdam. People don't cycle in Wales because it's wet and hilly.</li> </ul>
Environmental Management	7	3.4	<ul> <li>Avoid building on food plains - this would avoid flood defences. But the climate is changing - witness what has happened in western Germany recently.</li> </ul>
Parking	6	2.9	- Provision for private cars
Clean Air	4	1.9	<ul> <li>Clean air for everyone especially for our Children.</li> <li>The current toxic levels of Pollution kill and damage health</li> </ul>
Places of worship	5	2.4	<ul> <li>Churches and other buildings for religious and spiritual well-being that also promote good mental and physical health</li> </ul>
Digital	4	1.9	- Telecommunications. Better connections.

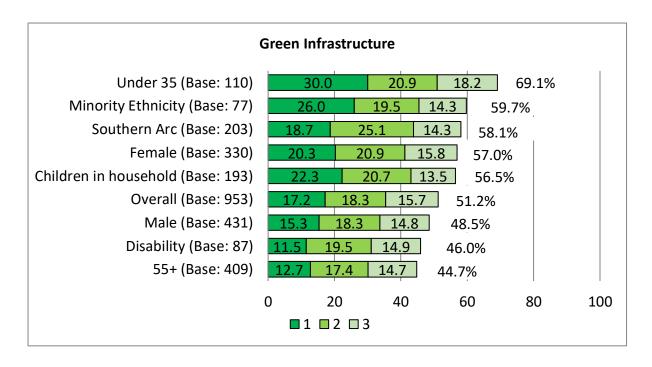
Reduce Car Travel	3	1.5	- Low Traffic Neighbourhoods
Housing	2	1.0	- Affordable housing to buy or rent
Misc.	29	14.1	- Crematoria
			- Government offices e.g. benefits
			- Accessibility has not been mentioned!!!
Total	206	-	-

### Appendix 8 - Breakdown of Results for Priorities for new infrastructure by Demographic Groups









#### Appendix 9 – How do you think the plan can tackle climate change?

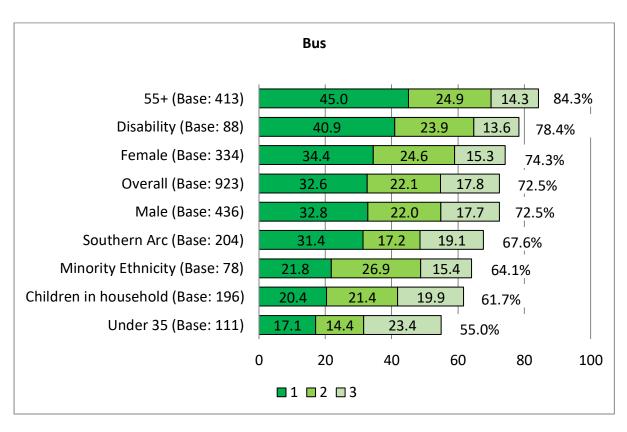
Theme	No	%	Example comments
Renewable energy / sustainable infrastructure	168	21.9	<ul> <li>Serious investment is needed to provide sound infrastructure for green energy. There should be a mandate placed on housing developers to provide charging points for all homes.</li> <li>Energy efficient new homes. Improve energy efficiency of existing housing</li> <li>Ensuring all new build / infrastructure is built with sustainability in mind. People's homes are increasingly becoming workplaces too - ensure that new homes are fit for this purpose and allow people to live sustainable lives.</li> <li>All public buildings should generate own energy - solar panels etc.</li> <li>Focus on zero carbon buildings and on low-carbon</li> </ul>
			heating.
Improved / Enhanced Public Transport / Infrastructure	149	19.5	<ul> <li>Reduce journeys by fossil fuel vehicles</li> <li>The plan should consider more strategic action on traffic and transport</li> <li>Cheaper, faster, more reliable greener public transport with plenty of space to avoid overcrowding if looking to reduce the number of cars around the city. Incentivise the use of public transport by making it low cost and affordable.</li> <li>Massively increase infrastructure for active transport and reduce city car use.</li> <li>Green transport.</li> </ul>
Reduce car use - Ban Cars / encourage home working / Sufficient local amenities	109	14.2	<ul> <li>Facilitating shift from car dependence through improved public transport options to all areas of the city.</li> <li>Incentivise people to give up their cars</li> <li>Less cars on the streets</li> <li>Cut down on private vehicle use</li> <li>Develop "15 minute communities" where work, shops, health &amp; community centres are all within 15 mins walk for everyone - discourage motorised transport.</li> </ul>
Increase / Improve Active travel infrastructure	97	12.6	<ul> <li>Encourage active travel, by building well-designed cycle lanes in consultation with other cyclists.</li> </ul>

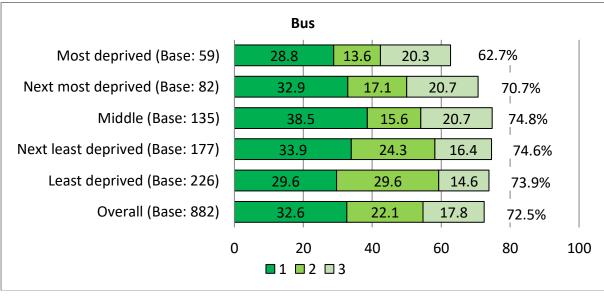
			<ul> <li>By providing a properly maintained, smooth, joined- up network of routes for all non- motorised forms of transport alongside a cohesive, reliable and affordable public transport system</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Make every road cycle friendly. Do more to tackle bike theft. Add more bike lock bays to district retail areas so we can cycle to shops</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Ensure that people can walk or cycle to green biodiverse open spaces and as far as possible to work and leisure facilities.</li> </ul>
Preserve Greenspace / Build on Brownfield land	96	12.5	<ul> <li>Stop development on existing green sites, taking away hedgerows, fields and trees which improve air quality</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Stop destroying green spaces to build. Use brownfield sites</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>STOP building on Green areas, respect what we have now, at the moment CCC are paying lip service to the Environment</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Stop allowing commercial developers build on green sites just to raise income</li> </ul>
Reduce emissions / Less pollution	50	6.5	<ul> <li>Reduce car emissions in city centre and residential areas through greater promotion of active travel options.</li> </ul>
			- More greenery, less pollution
			<ul> <li>Say no to incinerators and air pollution across</li> <li>Cardiff</li> </ul>
Greater Education / More public engagement	42	5.5	<ul> <li>Education in schools regarding these issues, particularly in deprived areas is essential for next generation.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>It needs to focus on including Cardiff residents in consultations like this, but also in decision making.</li> <li>It needs to be inclusive and participatory.</li> </ul>
			- Tell others the plan to start. Educate - not speculate for others to provide you the answers
Incentives / Support /	41	5.4	- Make it easier to recycle
Grants			<ul> <li>To get shops and supermarkets to get rid of as much plastic waste as possible. Open up the paper making industry so that food can be put into receptacles that can be easily disposed of.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>More recycling with less plastic use. Reduce single use and throwaway goods.</li> </ul>

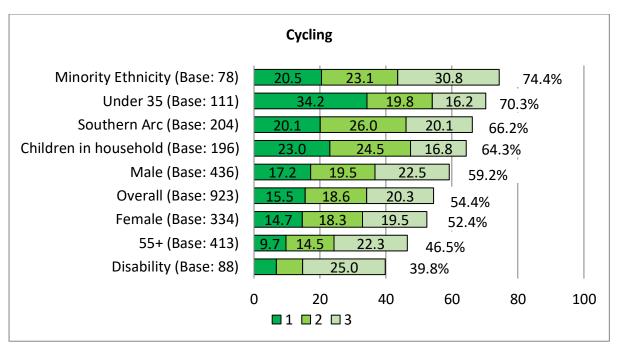
Waste Management - Increase recycling / reduce packaging / ban single use plastic	41	5.4	<ul> <li>Encouraging large firms to become greener and offering grants to small businesses to help tackle climate change</li> <li>Better incentives for doing this</li> <li>Grants for improving housing efficiency</li> </ul>
Electric vehicle infrastructure	33	4.3	<ul> <li>Switch to using electric vehicles - more electric charging infrastructure, council vehicles to be electric, buses to be electric.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Expand electric vehicle infrastructure and encourage people to buy EV's. Right now I would like to buy an EV but the infrastructure is insufficient</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Support directly the roll out of Electric charging points as EV's are on their way and here to stay.</li> </ul>
Issue is global not local	31	4.1	<ul> <li>The larger organisations are the bigger culprits and they should be more accountable</li> </ul>
			- Almost irrelevant give the pollution from much larger countries - e.g. China
			<ul> <li>No matter what we do it will happen anyway, need countries like China and India and the US to get its act together</li> </ul>
Flood Management	30	3.9	<ul> <li>Ensuring we do not build on flood-plains; being cognisant of how the green spaces in Cardiff help manage rainwater run-off etc.</li> </ul>
			- More monies for Flood Defence schemes
			- Flood barriers
Increase green infrastructure	28	3.7	<ul> <li>Set up more green industries which will support the environment and provide job opportunities. Develop a greener and more integrated way of travel across Wales</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Green economy - focus on jobs around installing insulation, solar panels, wind farms, rebuilding street infrastructure for walking/cycling/electric buses.</li> </ul>
Greater adaptation green energies	24	3.1	<ul> <li>Solar, wind and tidal power can generate electricity can also help mine Zero Carbon Crypto Currency to help pay towards local services.</li> </ul>
			- Renewable energy investments.
Less Development / Renovate existing	24	3.1	<ul> <li>Maintain, repair, reuse the buildings and facilities we currently have.</li> </ul>
structures			<ul> <li>Slowing down new development, investing in repurposing existing, out of date buildings into new, more-environmentally friendly spaces.</li> </ul>

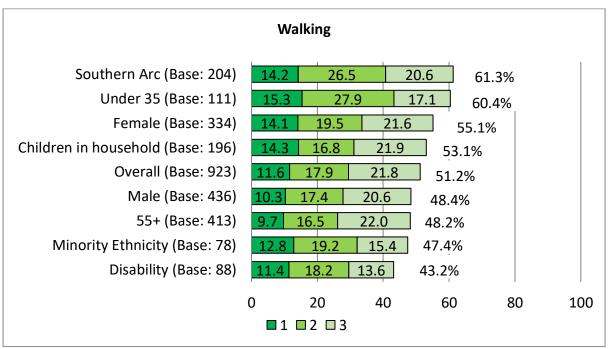
Improved Road Transport Infrastructure	21	2.7	<ul> <li>Stop narrowing roads which increases traffic which increases congestion which increases emissions, instead keep roads wide and free flowing.</li> <li>Better roads, people in cars for less time, less traffic etc. People don't use the public transport, it's nowhere near good enough and will be outdated by</li> </ul>
It can't	13	1.7	<ul> <li>the time a plan to improve it is finished.</li> <li>It cannot. Cardiff and its immediate environs are entirely subject to rising sea levels. We are unable to generate the finance necessary to prevent dynamic changes in habitable area.</li> <li>It can't, it's too late for that now.</li> </ul>
Reduce fossil fuel usage	10	1.3	<ul> <li>Ban the use of all diesel vehicles within Cardiff, starting with the most polluting which are commercial vehicles.</li> <li>Reduce/eliminate burning of fossil fuels for: 1) electricity &amp; heating in businesses &amp; homes, 2) transport &amp; travel, 3) manufacturing.</li> </ul>
Introduce Congestion Charge	8	1.0	- There needs to be a congestion charge, which should include taxis and all commercial vehicles.
Misc.	133	17.4	<ul> <li>By being flexible enough to adapt to changes in trends; inherent to this is up-to-date data analysis.</li> <li>Climate change is unimportant at this time.</li> <li>Welcome but a generation too late.</li> <li>By putting common sense before emotion</li> <li>Develop a way that businesses can declare their emissions - including building developments, food production etc.</li> </ul>
Total	766	-	-

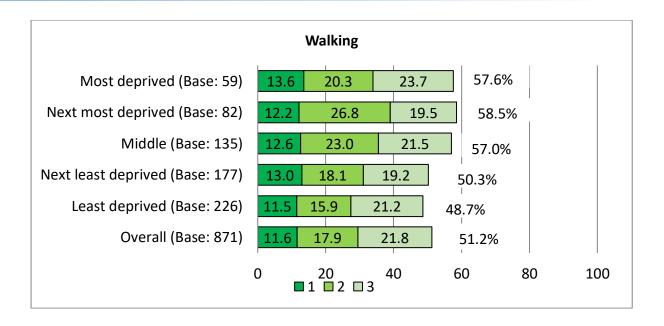
#### Appendix 10 – Breakdown of Results for Delivering Sustainable Transport Infrastructure by Demographic Groups











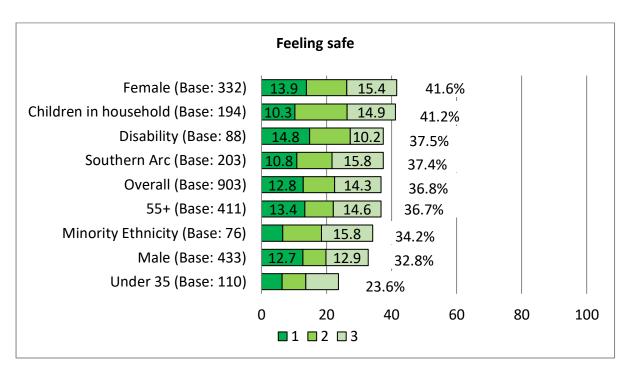


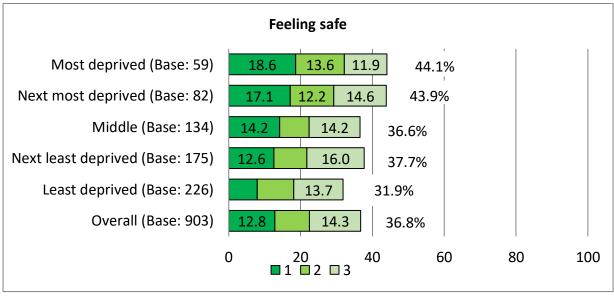
## Appendix 11 – Please specify where else infrastructure resources should be invested

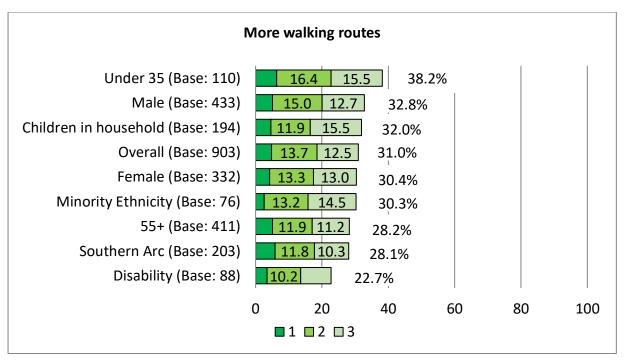
Theme	No	%	Example comments
Improved / Enhanced	109	40.7	- Bus service in Cardiff is appalling.
Public Transport / Infrastructure			<ul> <li>New train stations are essential. There are so many existing lines that run through the city for miles without intermediate stops. Take London – all central rail and tube lines have stations that are 15-20 minutes walk apart. That should be the ambition for all existing lines within all urban areas.</li> </ul>
			- Regular and cheap metro / trams
			<ul> <li>Have one payment system that's allows train and bus use combined</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>One ticket system to cover public transport, parking and cycle hire</li> </ul>
Road Infrastructure	35	13.1	<ul> <li>The existing roads need maintenance and improvement to ensure they are still fit for purpose.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>We must recognise that the global pandemic has led people to want to use private transport for their travel needs, the obsession with public transport will cost us dearly in the future, and is not in line with personal needs.</li> </ul>
			- good roads and pavements - that will enable people to cycle and walk safely as well as drive
Focus on reducing need to travel / Car free areas	20	7.5	<ul><li>Cars need to be actively discouraged and prevented</li><li>Car-free areas - big ones!</li></ul>
EV Use / Cost / Charging	19	7.1	<ul> <li>Stop making it more difficult and penalising car users and develop and encourage more self- sustaining and eco-friendly cars.</li> </ul>
			- Electric charging points must be a priority
Active Travel	15	5.6	<ul> <li>Other active travel methods used by young people, like skating and scooters</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Safe walking routes are most important but have been sacrificed to cycle routes in recent times.</li> </ul>
Not at the cost of Car owners	15	5.6	- The purpose of the green target is to get net zero. If everyone is going to be in green electric vehicles then the council should not stop or demonise private car ownership.
			<ul> <li>Car/Vehicles - you are creating congestion by preventing traffic movement.</li> </ul>

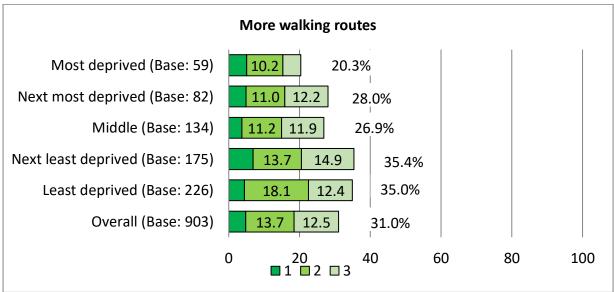
Making it Inclusive - Consideration for the elderly / those with disabilities	11	4.1	<ul> <li>Remember disabled persons in any plan!</li> <li>Equitable access: facilities for disabled people; safe travel for women; access for other vulnerable groups.</li> </ul>
Parking - Improved Park & Ride Service. More / Better Car Parking Facilities	10	3.7	<ul> <li>Park and ride schemes. Not everyone has access to other forms of transport so provide a way to join them up and manage car use.</li> <li>Better roads and car parking spaces. Not everyone can use public or active transport.</li> </ul>
e-Scooters	10	3.7	<ul> <li>E-scooters are only going to become more popular. Support them with infrastructure and treat them as bikes on pathways separate to pedestrians</li> <li>Allow &amp; encourage use of electric scooters - these are ideal for movement in and around the city centre.</li> </ul>
Car Hire	5	1.9	- Availability of hourly car hire
Taxis	5	1.9	- Taxis
Reduce Fossil fuel usage	4	1.5	- Get rid of diesel trains
Hydrogen Fuelled Vehicles	3	1.1	- Consideration of alternative fuels such as hydrogen.
Waterbus	3	1.1	<ul> <li>More water transport could make transport more fun and sustainable while assisting with tourism.</li> </ul>
Misc.	21	7.8	<ul> <li>Future considerations for flying cars, helicopters and drone networks for both passengers and cargo</li> <li>Let creative people lead on this - We are in an Emergency situation. Think of Childrens Lungs 1st</li> </ul>
Total	268	-	<del>-</del>

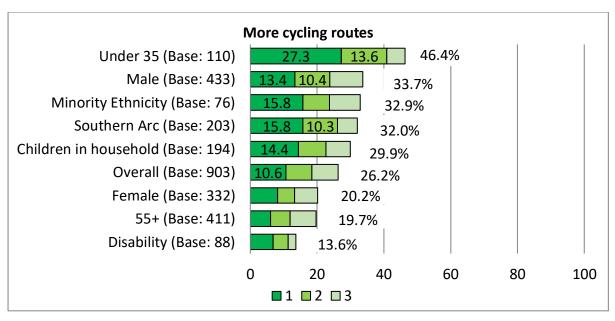
### Appendix 11 – Breakdown of Results for Improving health and well-being by Demographic Groups

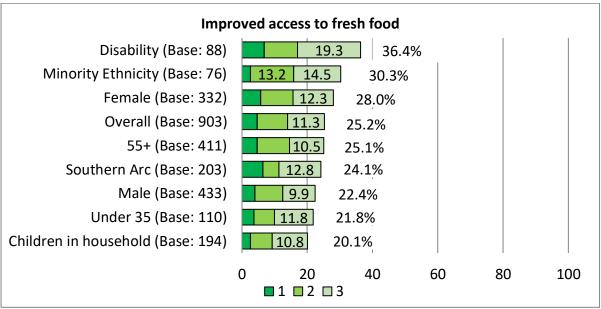


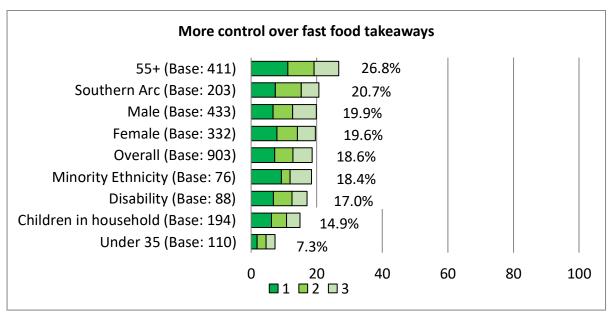




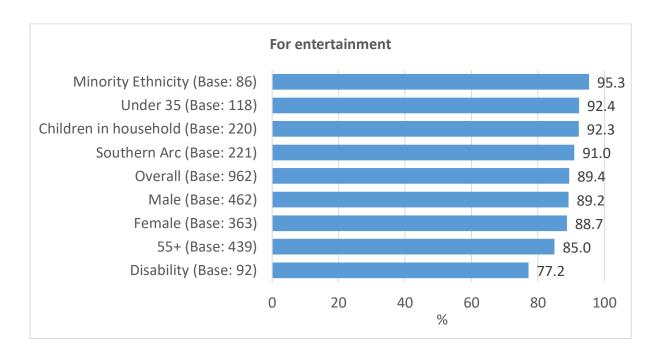


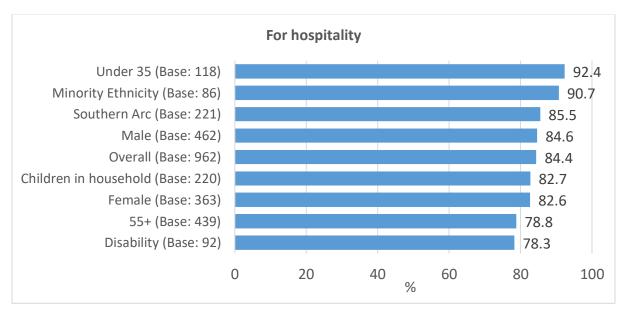


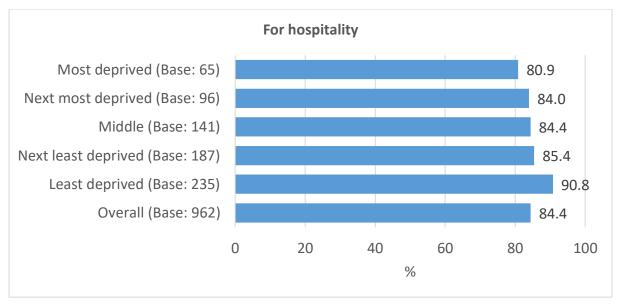


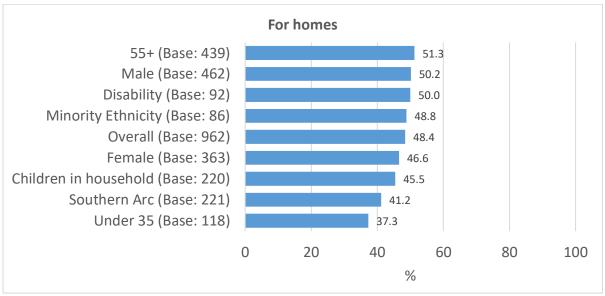


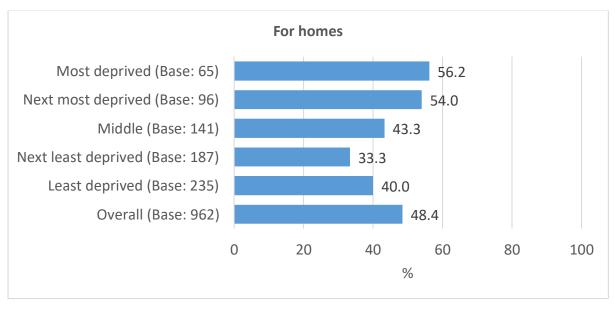
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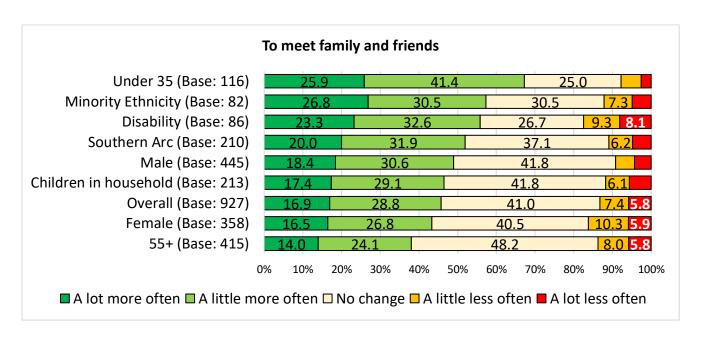


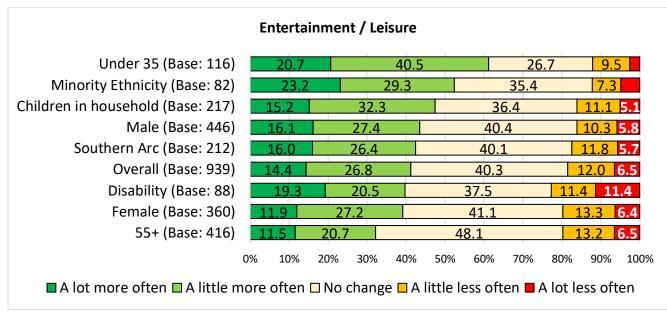


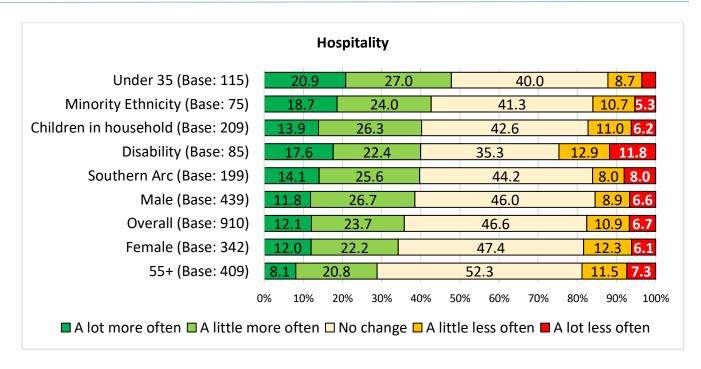


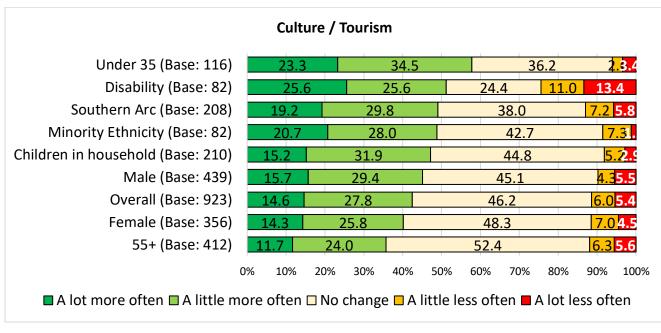


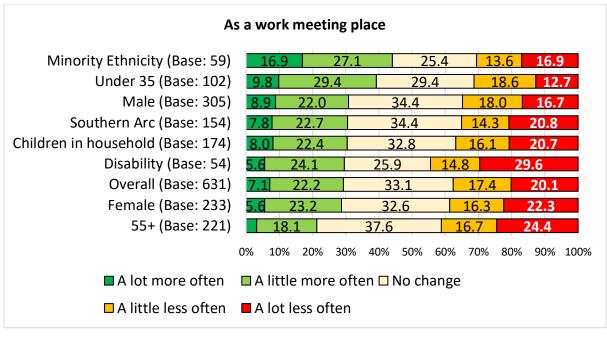
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# Appendix 14 – Improving Health and Well-being: Please specify what else you consider to be important

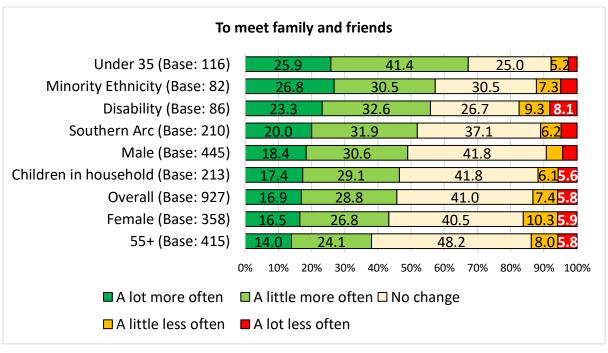
Theme	No	%	Example comments
	26	15.3	<ul> <li>Awareness raising/education regarding the benefits of more healthy lifestyles (e.g.: Bristol Eating Better campaign).</li> <li>Better education regarding health issues in our primary schools, how to keep fit and healthy.</li> <li>Fresh food is available but people are lazy or not taught. Home economics should be back on the</li> </ul>
			curriculum and also taught in hubs
More / Better community infrastructure / Facilities	24	14.1	<ul> <li>Investing in more community projects and youth groups and creating activities for young people and elderly.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>We keep building houses but no amenities to improve wellbeing, e.g. Plasdwr should include tennis courts, football pitches, a lido.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Social isolation is a killer. We need better small scale social infrastructure and more community infrastructure, things like community food gardens (think Incredible Edible).</li> </ul>
Retain / More Green Spaces	19	11.2	<ul> <li>Encourage use of green spaces and allow all homes to have a safe local place to exercise and enjoy nature helping mental and physical health</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Need to protect and not destroy existing green areas, without the protection of these sites CCC will not have the best interests of the Environment at heart</li> </ul>
Better Active Travel Infrastructure	13	7.6	- Stop lumping cycling and walking together. It suits nobody. The sections of the Taff Trail which have dedicated cycling / walking areas are a joy to use. The rest of itas a walker and a cyclistare a nightmare, as a walker you have bikes dangerously close, as a cyclist you have pedestrians getting in the way. separate the two populations & it'll make a huge difference
			<ul> <li>Cycling isn't the only viable non-motorised form of transport, and infrastructure should account for this, especially in terms of surface quality. Provision should also be made for wheelchair use among these.</li> </ul>

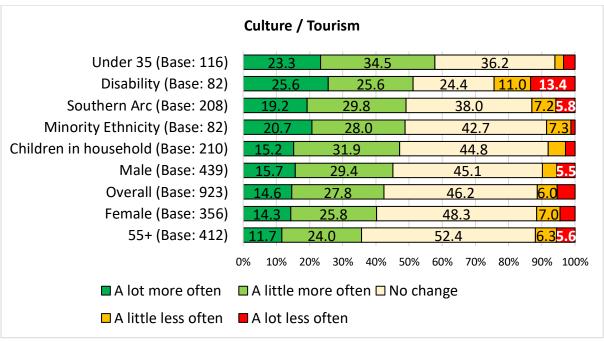
Total	170	-	-	
			effective communication and regular meetings hel - A four day working week	d
Misc.	26	15.3	<ul> <li>More beautiful buildings that give a sense of place often a forgotten aspect that impacts people ment well-being. Less depressing glass, steel and concre and more beautiful buildings.</li> <li>Getting communities back together again, with</li> </ul>	tal
Employment opportunities	3	1.8	<ul> <li>Jobs! - provide self-worth, dignity, access to better housing and improved lifestyles.</li> </ul>	
Improved / Enhanced Public Transport / Infrastructure	6	3.5	<ul> <li>cut the political spin and improve the public transport network: Cardiff council have embarked on a policy of destroying the public bus services in Cardiff</li> </ul>	1
Generally against the push for Active Travel	6	3.5	<ul> <li>Stop emphasising cycling all the time some people cannot and have no desire to cycle. Be aware of people with reduced mobility and disabilities in you plans.</li> </ul>	
Housing / Homelessness Issues	7	4.1	<ul> <li>Housing needs to not just be of quality, it needs to be affordable, energy efficient, appropriate and adaptable. Work with innovative housing provided not traditional bricks and mortar builders to create housing for the future.</li> </ul>	
Waste Management	8	4.7	<ul> <li>Waste management- if an area looks cared for, people feel cared for</li> </ul>	
			<ul><li>encourage and increase sustainable and eco-friend businesses. Think globally, act locally!</li><li>Ban all polystyrene from take-aways.</li></ul>	ııy
Greater control	10	5.9	- Legislation, regulation and licensing to benefit and	
			<ul> <li>Consultants, Mental Health, etc.</li> <li>Improvement to NHS, affordable access to Drs,</li> <li>Dentists, opticians and mental health specialists as well as other health care</li> </ul>	5
Better Health Services	10	5.9	- Improved access to health services such as GPs,	
			<ul> <li>Women's safety. Most women do not go out at nig unless there is no alternative.</li> </ul>	ght
Community Safety / ASB	12	7.1	deprived also.  - Target smoking and drug abuse	
аср. такон			<ul> <li>Not helping those that are deprived today will buil another generation (their children) who may well be</li> </ul>	
More help for those living in deprivation	13	7.6	- Address poverty - support for low income families and households. Community based approach.	

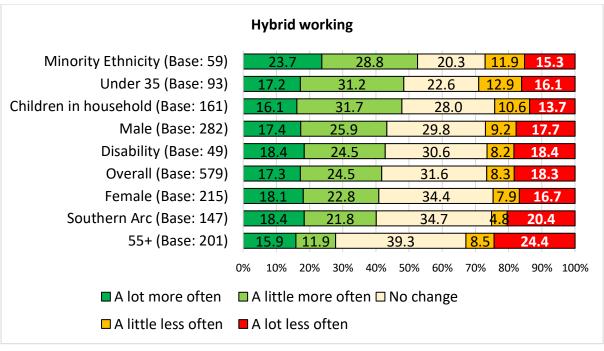
# Appendix 15 - What do you think the future role of the city centre should be?: Something else

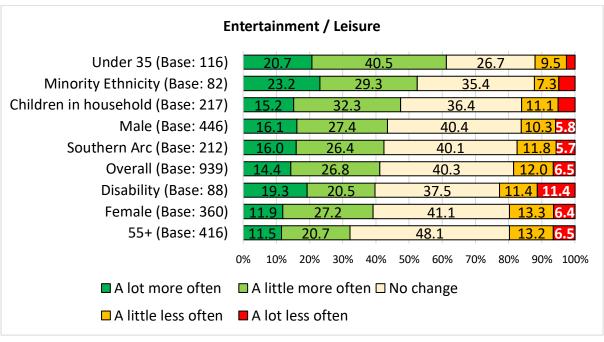
Theme	No	%	Example comments
Attractions / Tourism - Music / Murals / Arts / Culture / Sporting Events etc.	25	30.5	<ul> <li>Interesting, unique attractions that differentiate         Cardiff from any other UK city. There aren't enough         well developed cultural attractions.</li> <li>Arts and culture - music, murals, worships,         creativity!</li> </ul>
Community Spaces / Socialising areas / Using Green Spaces	21	25.6	<ul> <li>A social gathering place for all ages and communities</li> <li>As a rich living green centre with gardens, a sanctuary for animals - a re-greening centre as a sanctuary for citizens.</li> </ul>
More Amenities	13	15.9	<ul> <li>Leisure, sports, green spaces, health centre/dentist, community education, cycle paths, a Green healthy city</li> <li>Creative production. Fitness and leisure. Education. Mixed use of all kinds, including those not yet imagined. Flexibilty and adaptability.</li> </ul>
A better mix - not shopping reliant	10	12.2	<ul> <li>A hybrid solution is important - for example the predominance of large shops over the last decades has created a vacuum when they are no longer popular</li> <li>Actually need less shopping for new things, and more facilities for mending / sharing / hiring / borrowing / second hand</li> </ul>
Travel Hubs	6	7.3	<ul> <li>sustainable travel hubs - cycle parking, facilities for cyclists including bike repair, lockers etc, access to car clubs</li> </ul>
Misc.	13	15.9	<ul> <li>We are the capital city of Wales, our city should reflect this, our city should be the ambassador for our country</li> <li>Small independent businesses, not chains (shops and restaurants)</li> </ul>
Total	82	-	-

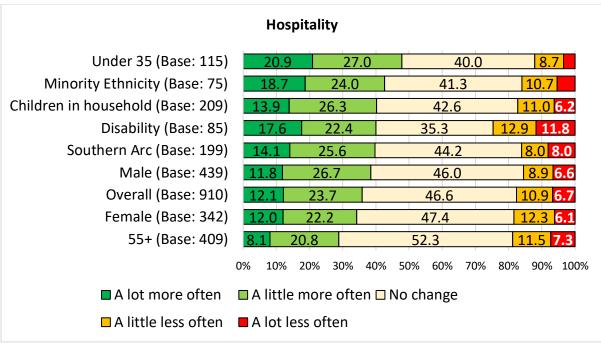
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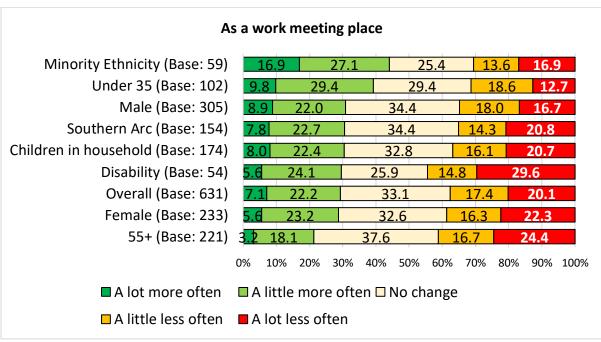


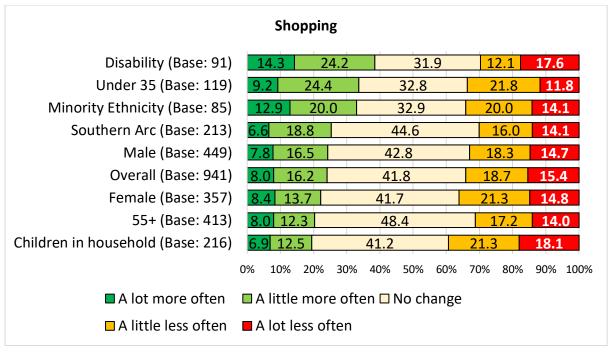


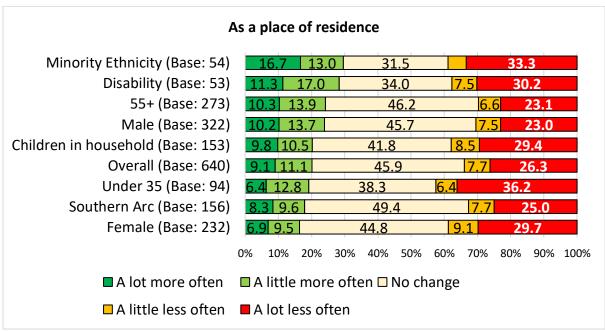


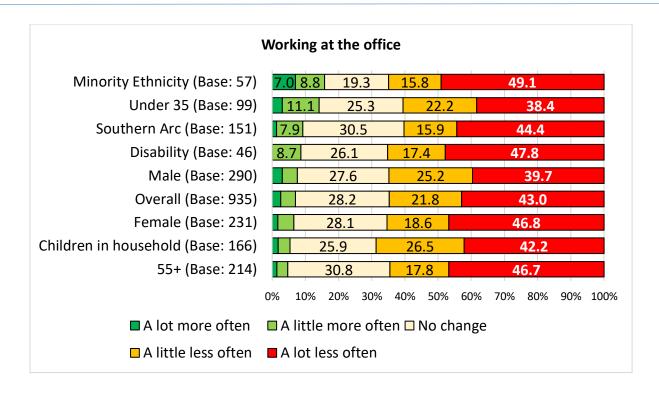










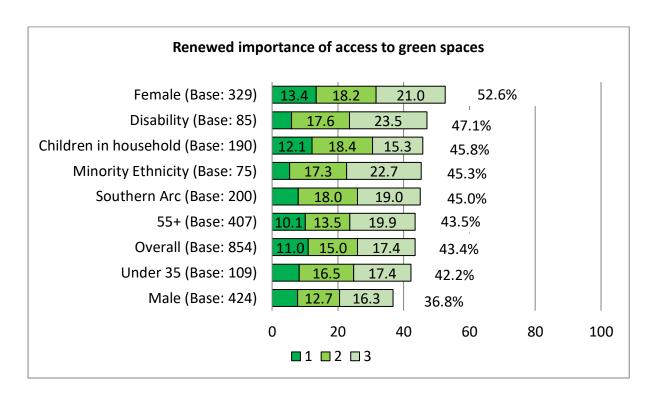


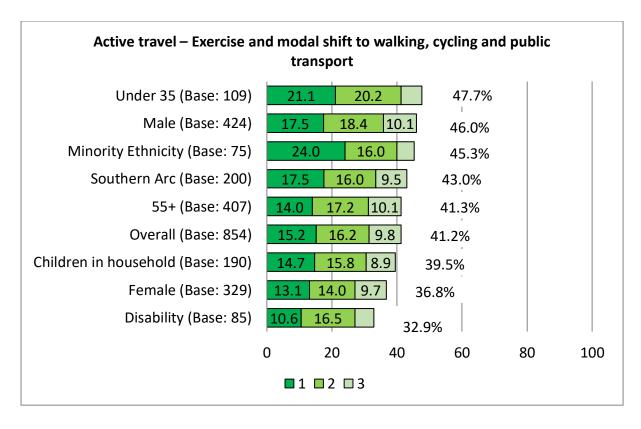
#### Appendix 17 – For what other purpose would you use the city centre?

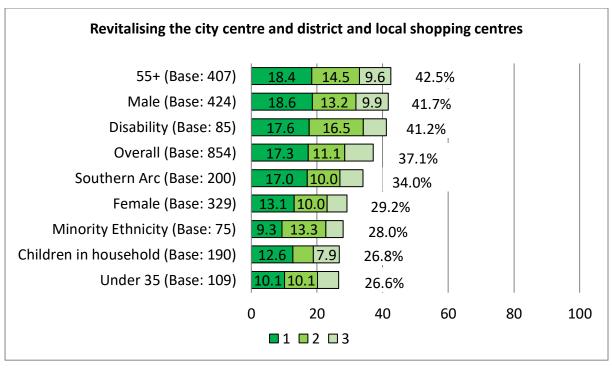
Theme	No	%	Example comments
Commuting/Travel	11	16.7	- To commute into/out of
			- As a transport hub.
Exercise	9	13.6	<ul> <li>Exercise. The river is an amazing place for swimming and kayaking. Can we make more of our waterways as places for exercise?</li> </ul>
			- For a stroll
Green space	9	13.6	- To enjoy green space - i.e. the castle
			<ul> <li>Enjoying green spaces like Bute Park, Cardiff Castle, walking by the river, boat trips, being able to pop for a coffee and some relaxation time somewhere quiet and pretty and not crowded</li> </ul>
Independent shops, not chains	5	7.6	<ul> <li>I used to love the individual shops all over Cardiff Centre. Now it's mainly big chains like every other city. I'm not interested in going into town for that.</li> </ul>
Leisure	4	6.4	<ul> <li>Recreation. Access to the parks and cycling through to the Bay. Kayaking or paddle boarding on the Taff.</li> </ul>
<b>Cultural Events</b>	4	6.4	- Music! Books! Art! History!
Sport	4	6.4	- Sports events
Community spaces	4	6.4	<ul> <li>A place where services are accessible such as advice centres</li> </ul>
Safer	3	4.5	- I do not feel safe in city centre, so avoid it
Education	3	4.5	- Education
Work	2	3.0	- unfortunately I work there
Health	2	3.0	- To visit doctors, dentists etc.
Library	2	3.0	- To use the library
Misc.	18	27.3	- Urban farm
			<ul> <li>Good question. City centres are no longer and will disappear</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Dependent upon COVID. Would use centre for more of the above when threat of contagion gone.</li> </ul>
Total	66		-

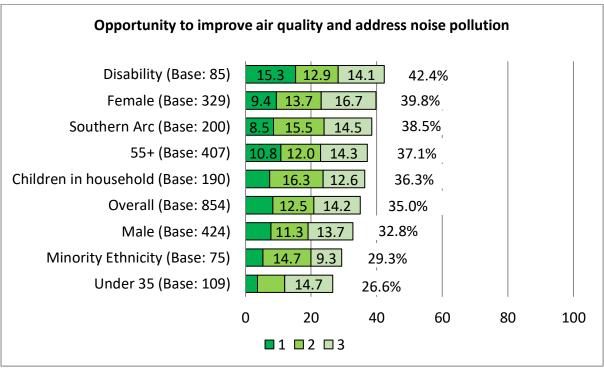
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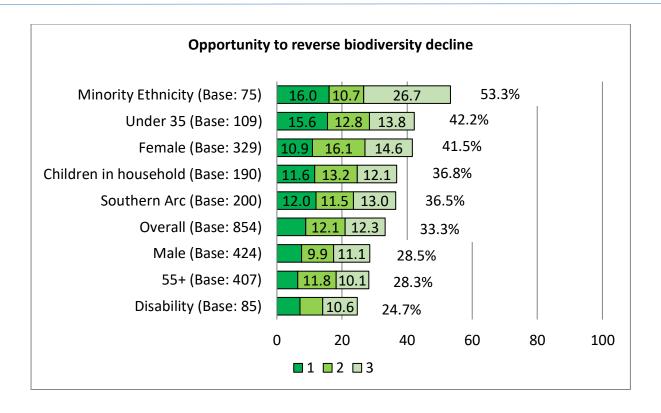
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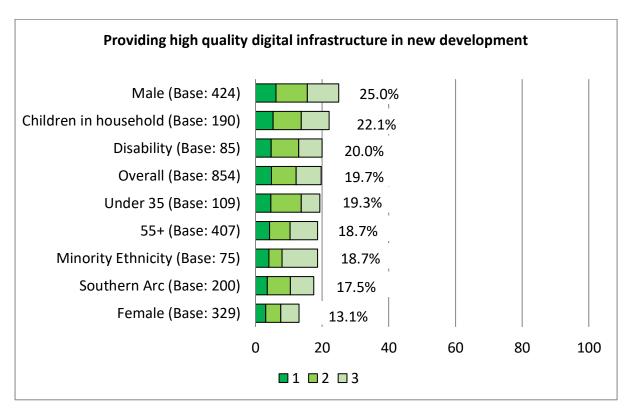










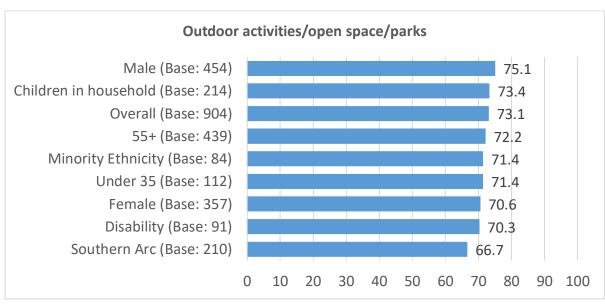


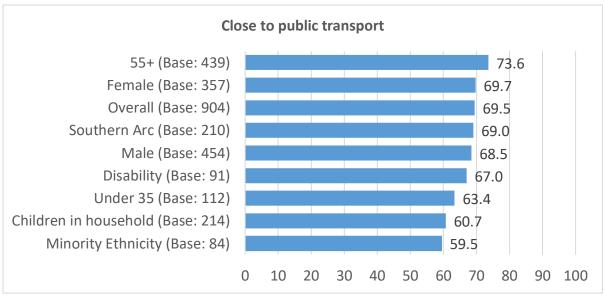
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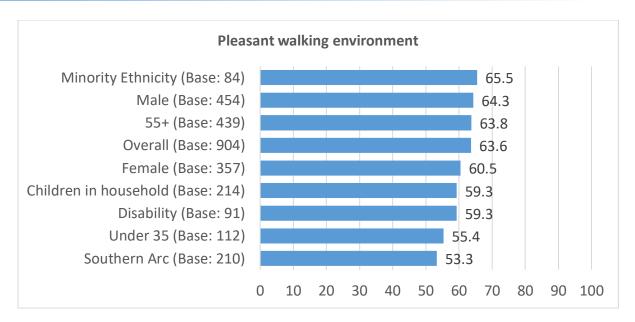
Theme	No	%	Example comments
New Approach	12	17.4	<ul> <li>Change the way Cardiff manages parks &amp; verges to rewilding &amp; local food, low maintenance approach</li> <li>Place people and planet at the centre of every decision, above all else!</li> </ul>
Improve Neighbourhoods / Encourage people to use local amenities / facilities	11	15.9	<ul> <li>Having attractive local neighbourhoods with good transport links and local amenities.</li> <li>Investment in exciting children's play - eg. playgrounds including more money for maintenance.</li> </ul>
Improved Road Infrastructure	8	11.6	<ul> <li>The use of electric cars is growing exponentially, take much more account of that in the plans</li> </ul>
Retain / More Greenery / Use Brownfield Sites	8	11.6	<ul> <li>Access to green spaces shouldn't mean channelling more and more people into fewer green spaces</li> </ul>
Question concerns / queries	6	8.7	<ul> <li>Incredibly hard to prioritise these issues - a lot of them are interdependent</li> </ul>
Improved / Enhanced Public Transport / Infrastructure	4	5.8	<ul> <li>Your policies keep mentioning public transport, but it's woefully inadequate &amp; not fit for purpose!</li> </ul>
Better Education	3	4.3	<ul> <li>Educating ignorant individuals to exercise common sense</li> </ul>
Access to Services	3	4.3	- Health & wellbeing access to local services
Safety	2	2.9	- Clean and safe environment
Misc.	16	23.2	<ul> <li>Providing quality digital infrastructure in existing properties, my broadband is awful</li> </ul>
			- Staying local - isn't that what it was like before?
Total	69	-	-

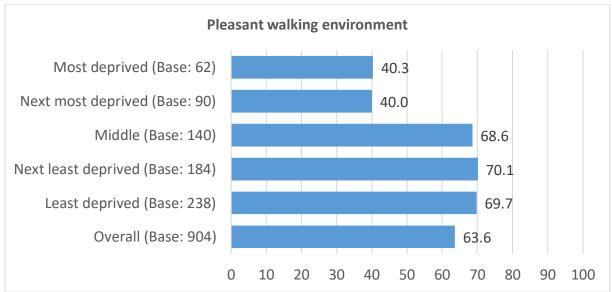
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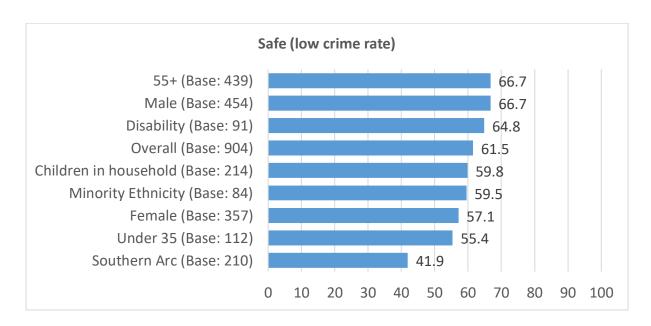
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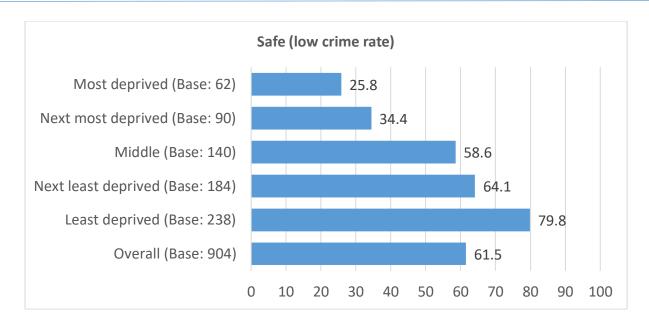


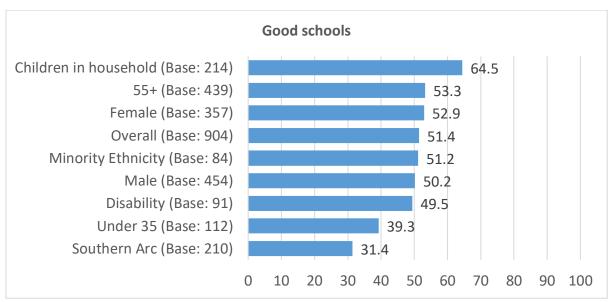


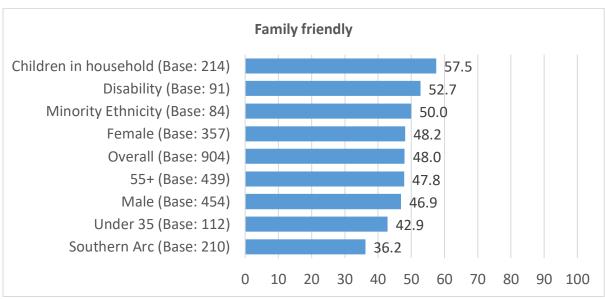


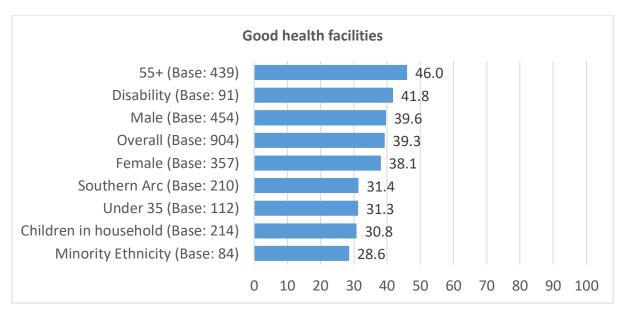


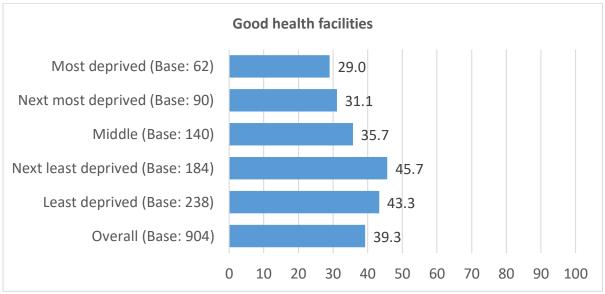


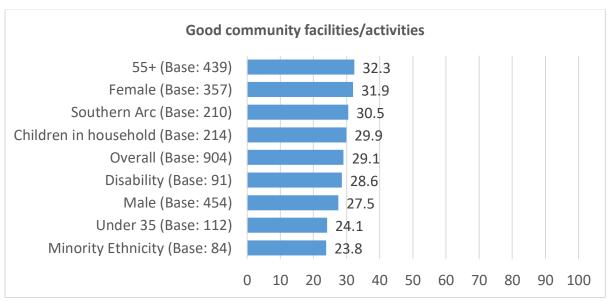




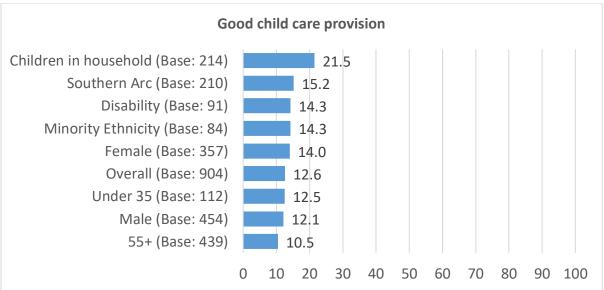










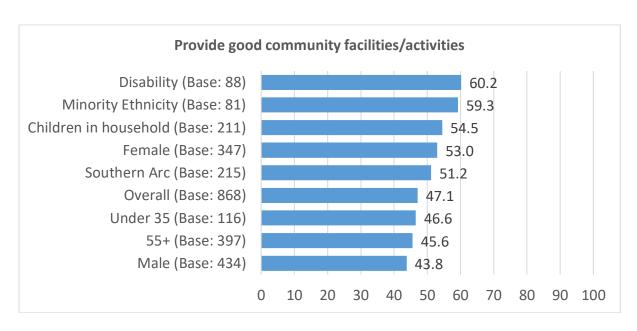


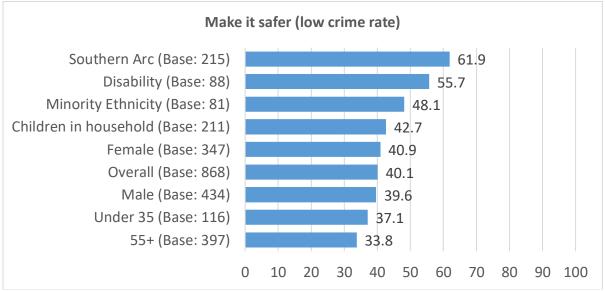
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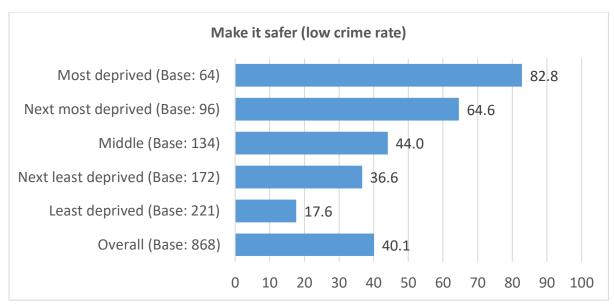
Theme	No	%	Example comments
Proximity / Accessibility / Close to Local Amenities / Facilities	18	38.3	<ul> <li>Good location to get to various locations.</li> <li>Allotment, which is a great place to take grow your own food and get a good workout doing it!</li> </ul>
			- Plenty of choice of places of worship.
Negative Comments	12	25.5	<ul> <li>Nothing is good we feel scared unsafe and minoritised and surrounded by crooks drug dealers and nasty creatures</li> </ul>
			- Not an area I would choose if I could afford to move
<b>Community Spirit</b>	7	14.9	- Diversity within the community.
			<ul> <li>The good thing about my neighbourhood is the community, the people.</li> </ul>
Affordability	3	6.4	- Affordable
Good Design	3	6.4	- Aesthetically attractive Victorian terraces.
Misc.	5	10.6	- Welsh awareness
			- More community police presence
Total	47	-	-

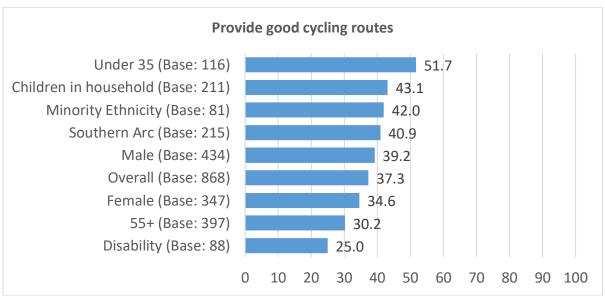
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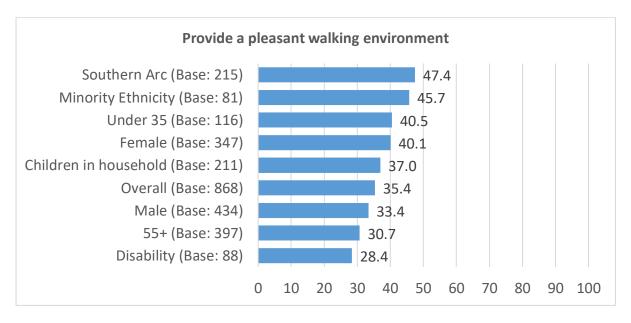
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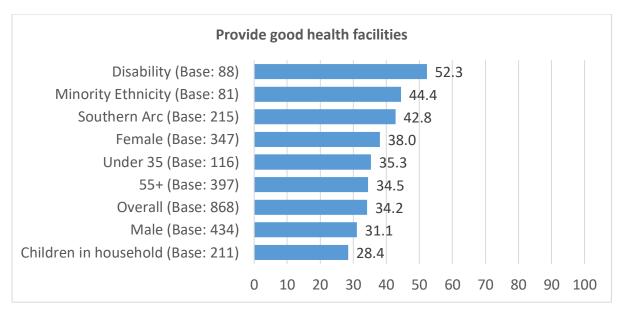


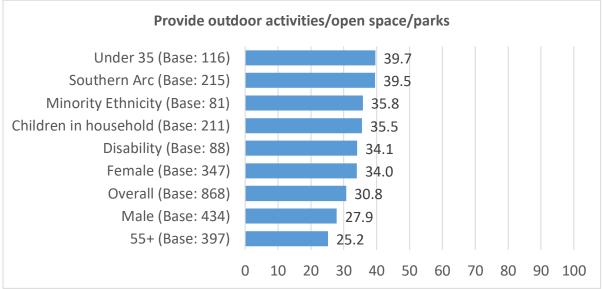


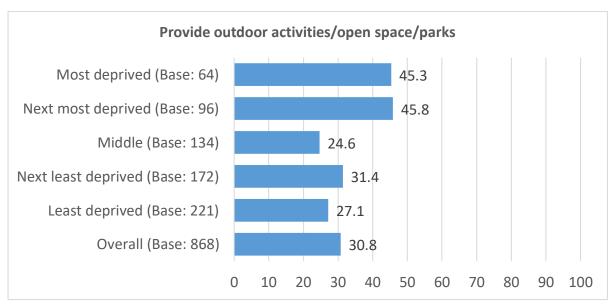


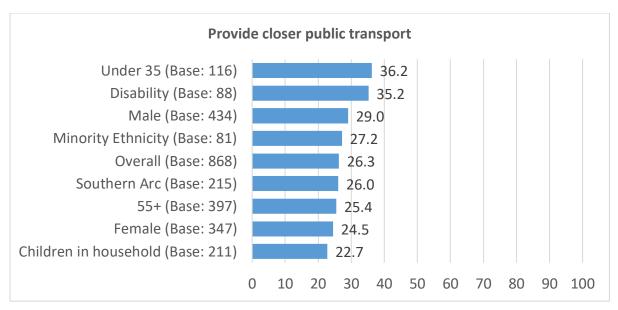


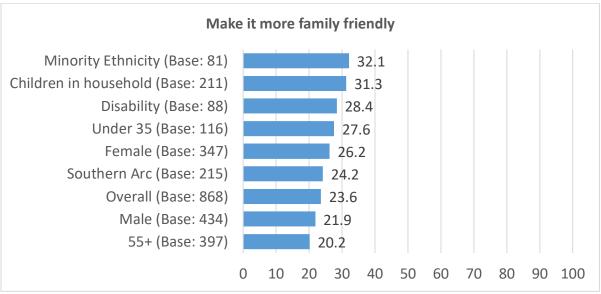


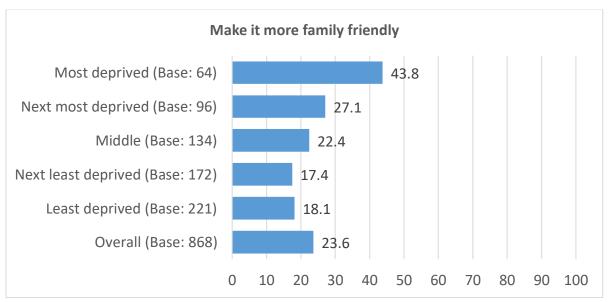


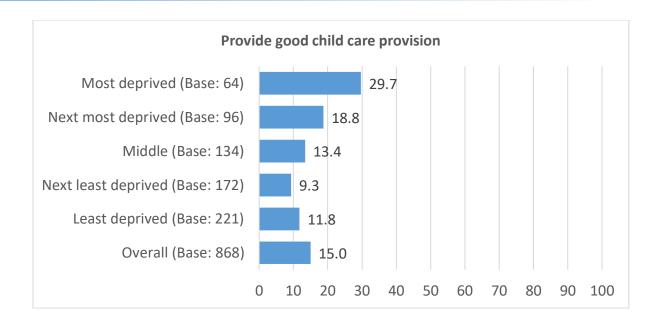












# Appendix 23 - What do you think could be done to improve your local neighbourhood?: Something else

Theme	No	%	Example comments
More / Improved Local Amenities / Facilities	26	22.2	<ul> <li>Community gardens and farmers markets. More sports facilities. Car charging points.</li> <li>Make children's playgrounds more exciting by adding more equipment; Change policies to not allow neighbours moving close to existing parks and playgrounds to have equipment removed due to noise etc.</li> <li>We only have big supermarkets - no small neighbourhood shops. Hence people drive more, and few focal points exist for the community</li> </ul>
Retain / Protect Green Spaces	18	15.4	<ul> <li>Not decimate our neighbourhood by taking away our peace, quiet and tranquillity. Preserve our air quality, green space, nature and wildlife.</li> <li>Stop building on green belt land destroying habitats and green space.</li> </ul>
Improve Litter Issues	17	14.5	<ul> <li>More bins &amp; cleaning of the streets. Fine people who leave rubbish in their front gardens.</li> <li>More street cleaning and drain maintenance. Bins that the seagulls can't get into!</li> </ul>
More Driving / Parking enforcement	12	10.3	<ul> <li>Parking needs to be looked at around schools, the way parents park is careless and unsafe for both residents and children</li> <li>Traffic speeds along my road at rush hour.</li> </ul>
Tackling ASB Issues	12	10.3	<ul> <li>Too many unruly youths and too small police presence</li> <li>Where I live crime and noise and vandalism is very high. These things ought to be prioritised and tackled.</li> </ul>
Cheaper / More Reliable / More Frequent Transport System	11	9.4	<ul> <li>Improve frequency and connectivity of public transport - limited to city centre every half hour and less at weekends</li> <li>Public transport is close but it is unreliable. Bus only scheduled every 30mins but it is always late or sometimes doesn't show up at all.</li> </ul>
Housing Issues - Less Developments / Renovate properties / affordable housing	10	8.5	<ul> <li>Halt the building on greenfield sites. Some developers are motivated by greed, we have seen on TV developers saying they will not build in the valleys as there isn't enough profit. As someone</li> </ul>

Total	117	-	-
			- More music venues
Misc.	12	10.3	<ul> <li>Home Working is an issue with the number of noise pollution of incessant dogs barking. This needs to be tackled and dog owners educated about keeping barking under control.</li> </ul>
Improve Road infrastructure	8	6.8	<ul> <li>Repair and maintain the roads and pavements, including cleaning (weeds, leaves, etc.)</li> <li>remove all traffic calming</li> </ul>
Less Traffic / Improve Air Quality	8	6.8	<ul> <li>Reduce traffic and improve air quality</li> <li>Mend the roads, improve the shockingly awful air quality</li> </ul>
			formally from the valleys I see a need for high quality housing, infrastructure and work in the valleys not Cardiff. We need a South Wales holistic strategy, don't make everything Cardiff centric.  - Renovation of run down properties.

## Appendix 24 – Green Spaces: What Other Approaches Would You Suggest?

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Green Spaces To Be Protected	78	78 <i>25.3</i>	<ul> <li>Use of green space should only be sanctioned as a last resort when all other options have been exhausted and the decision making scrutinised to ensure it is the case.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Green spaces need to be protected and increased, there are enough brown field sites that can be redeveloped into housing.</li> </ul>
			- Too much green space already used
			<ul> <li>Given the climate and biodiversity emergencies, there's no question now that all green space must be protected and alternative approaches taken.</li> <li>Perhaps we need to obsess less about growth and focus more on preservation - we cannot keep on infinitely growing - the planet can't take it</li> </ul>
Develop / Re-use Existing Buildings / Space	61	19.8	<ul> <li>I cannot see the point of creating 'new' green spaces to replace existing, just be more creative about where to build what is deemed necessary</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Green space only as last resort. Make use of existing built up spaces.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Always look for areas that need updating and can be "recycled" for other use before taking any green spaces away. These green spaces are vital to people's wellbeing but more importantly to nature and we are losing too much already.</li> </ul>
			- Use brown land, rebuild or update empty houses
Develop / Use Brownfield	47	15.3	- Build on brown sites
Land			<ul> <li>Prioritise brownfield development and repurposing of existing redundant building</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Better use of brownfield areas. Incentivise developers to use infill areas</li> </ul>
Preserve / Enhance / Protect Biodiversity	25	8.1	<ul> <li>This is too vague a question. Some green space is full of biodiversity. Some green space has been destroyed by chemicals. We need to preserve and enhance the places that have biodiversity and use low biodiversity, well connected green space for housing</li> <li>need to consider the biology of the green spaces and</li> </ul>
			protect wildlife

			-	Maintain green spaces better. Make sure they support biodiversity.
Any green spaces used need to be replaced	14	4.5	-	Emphasis on replacement green space being provided.
			-	Everything is a balance. And losses in one area really do need to be balanced by gains in another area.
Role of developers	12	3.9		Developers should be absolutely compelled to honour their commitments to providing appropriate infrastructure, affordable housing etc.
			-	Make the Developers responsibility to provide and fund Green space in any new development
Consider Local Amenities When Planning New Builds	11	3.6	-	Housing cannot be the only thing provided in a new build estate. They require facilities that the community can use. A hub/library/community centre/swimming pools etc.
			-	Use S106 obligations to ensure all new housing has access to green space
More education / Community awareness /	9	2.9	-	Take children out into parks and teach them about wildlife
Community Engagement			-	Community groups to be involved in management of green spaces, also get local school involved
Stop developing	9	2.9	-	Stop building!
			-	Stop the huge expansion of Cardiff
Need to look at the bigger picture	7	2.3	-	Do joined up thinking i.e. talk to all those involved in providing transport, health and education facilities and all act together
			-	Better joined-up thinking - e.g. not selling off NHS land for housing then appropriating nearby greenfield space for NHS development!
Lack of trust in decision- makers	7	2.3	-	Sensible impartial decisions needed by experts not council.
			-	Establish alternative planning committees i.e. non- political lay persons with no vested interest politically or financially to question decisions before planning consent.
<b>Build outside Cardiff</b>	5	1.6	-	build new houses elsewhere, maybe even a new city/town, need to stop overloading Cardiff
Transport	3	1.0	-	Actually build the metro.
Northern Meadows	3	1.0	-	No greenspace development as it is clear the council can't make decisions correctly on this, the Northern Meadows, Danescourt and Flaxwood being prime examples.

Put the environment first	2	0.6	- The environment is the main concern.
Misc.	43	14.0	<ul> <li>Assessments of environmental and social impacts need to be very robust</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>This can only be assessed in context of what is required to keep within environmental limits overall whilst also supporting health equity. So it depends.</li> </ul>
			- Stop student accommodation scam
			- Stop building with so much concrete
Total	308	-	-

Appendix 25 – What measures do you think the plan needs to put in place to protect the city's historic assets and further enhance and promote the city's role as a capital city and as an international destination for residents and visitors?

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Better transport links	35	14.2	<ul> <li>Got to sort out public transportation, it is the weak link in Cardiff's offer</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Cultural facilities in city centre are hampered by bad transport policies</li> </ul>
			- Reintroduce a central hub for public transport.
Better Art/ Cultural offer	30	12.1	<ul> <li>A huge focus on culture, of which history is a part, through arts, crafts, and music. Expand the music scene.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>More city wide co-ordination of historic and cultural assets.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Market Cardiff as a city if historical importance with incredible architecture, culture and make the visiting experience excellent for all ages</li> </ul>
Green spaces	27	10.9	<ul> <li>Green spaces should be legally protected from future developments and to ensure our city does not become a concrete jungle; planning restriction should be tighter to ensure development is in keeping with environment and sustainable infrastructure and biodiversity wise.</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Protect and improve the green areas of the city which are its key attraction</li> </ul>
More attractions	26	10.5	<ul> <li>Historic assets should be free for everyone. If Cardiff is to attract international visitors then a range of good quality and exciting attractions are needed. Theatres, Concert Halls, Conference facilities, Museums, visitor attractions that can relate to Cardiff. The Doctor Who exhibition was a huge attraction for visitors that was let go.</li> </ul>
			- A proper local museum celebrating Cardiff's past
Better promotion	23	9.3	- Better media by the tourist board to promote
			<ul> <li>More about Cardiff, its people, its origins and tracking the journey to where we are today. I've lived here 2 years and honestly aside from loving the city don't feel particularly connected to its cultural identity and heritage. Placemaking, developing place</li> </ul>

			attachment and place meaning are important and
			Cardiff should think local in its approach to culture.
Clean City Centre	17	6.9	<ul> <li>A cleaner city would help</li> <li>Improve cleanliness and introduce stricter control/fines of littering and fly-tipping - a dirty and neglected looking city puts visitors off and has a major impact on quality of life/wellbeing</li> </ul>
Celebrate what we have	15	6.1	<ul> <li>We have some beautiful buildings, regardless of their current use. Protecting these is key, stop building ugly high rises and ruining our lovely little city. We're a compact, pretty, green city on a beautiful river. We have great cultural spaces, such as a great museum, St Fagan's, libraries, theatres, stadia. Let's play up those features.</li> <li>We have fabulous Welsh history and heritage - it should taught in schools and celebrated</li> </ul>
More events	14	5.7	- make them more accessible to everyone, have more cultural events and concerts outdoors
			<ul> <li>More events and activities needed at places like Cardiff Castle - why is the Mansion House not used more?</li> </ul>
Anti-social behaviour	11	4.5	<ul> <li>Anti-social behaviour in the city needs to be addressed, this was shown to be appalling at Roald Dhal Plas when the first lockdown was lifted which reflected very badly on the city's image. Tourists to the city need to feel safe.</li> <li>Make the city centre safer - too much drug taking,</li> </ul>
			homeless people begging. It feels very unsafe
Cars	9	3.6	<ul> <li>No congestion charges which will put visitors off. A day out is spoiled by public transport.</li> </ul>
Dattar valiaina	0	2.6	- Close Castle Street to all vehicles
Better policing	9	3.6	- Clamp down on litter, graffiti and anti-social behaviour with a visible, walking, Police presence
			- Invest in better policing and prosecute offenders.
Canals	8	3.2	<ul> <li>Open up some of the canal systems and use as a transport/leisure/tourist attraction</li> </ul>
Empower/ support citizens	6	2.4	<ul> <li>Use Cardiff residents as the best ambassadors for these sites by offering reduced entrance fees for Cardiff residents all year round and then prize draws for VIP invitations for specific events. The best promoters to visitors will then be those residents who attended and it could have a snowball effect of engaging others to see the value of our cultural</li> </ul>

			assets. I would also encourage more visits to be organised for local and regional schools, as the children will then become ambassadors if they are well engaged on the visit.
Better signage / information	4	1.6	<ul> <li>Make directions better. Signposting is appalling for a capital city. Shocking for tourists</li> </ul>
Misc.	24	9.7	<ul> <li>Protect our history, too much gets lost already.</li> <li>History keeps tourism, endless new developments do the opposite</li> </ul>
			- Any alternative to it being a stag & hen do destinationthe current trajectory of the city centre is facilitating this further. The river could be become more of an asset - Southbank is great example where you can be there to watch a performance at a theatre, but you can also just 'be' there.
			- The arcades are a particularly draw for visitors. Use of these units must be encouraged.
Total	247	-	-

# Appendix 26 – Let Us Know How You Think the Vision Could Be Improved

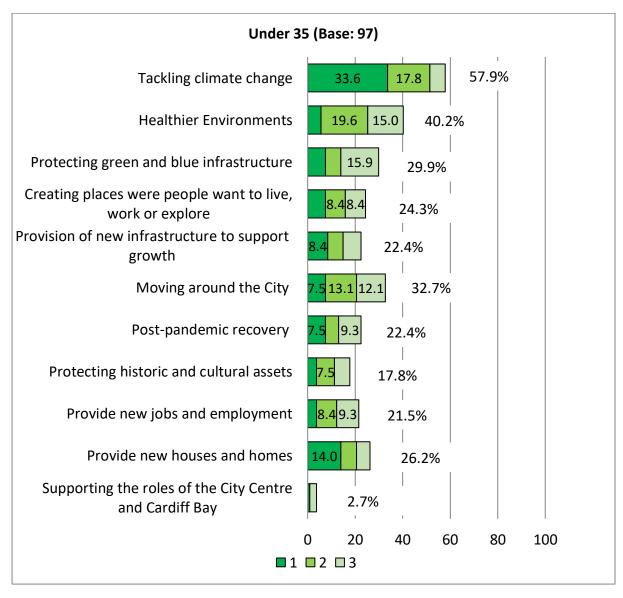
Theme	No	%	Example comments
Stop building new/expand & repurpose existing infrastructure	92	21.5	<ul> <li>Tackle developers pulling the city apart. No use holding your hands up and saying "can't do anything, don't want a legal challenge". You would have the support of the public in doing so.</li> <li>Need to improve existing housing stock and very carefully look to build newmore carefully than this vision implies!</li> <li>Lose the focus on new homes, renovate and expand existing infrastructure rather than building on new land just because a housing crash</li> <li>Reduce the emphasis on expansion. Work with Welsh Government and other local authorities to</li> </ul>
			spread development wider across SE Wales
Climate Change /Cleaner, greener city/protect green spaces	92	21.5	<ul> <li>Doesn't go far enough about the environment.     Tackling climate change should be at the core of every one of the values.</li> <li>Its ok to say this but green issues need to be prioritised and scientists listened to</li> <li>Not strong enough on the environment, Climate change isn't the only environmental catastrophe we</li> </ul>
			face, our insect population has dropped by over 75% in 27 years, if we don't want to face food shortages and hand pollination we urgently need to increase biodiversity, ban pesticides and stop green field developments.
			<ul> <li>I think the priorities are wrong. By having the 'new homes, jobs and infrastructure' at the start, you are already setting a tone for this being given more weight than green spaces and biodiversity.</li> </ul>
Improved Transport infrastructure-roads/public transport/accessibility	49	11.4	- Transport is the only priority. The current thinking of transport capacity lagging demand is a disaster.  Transport capacity needs to lead demand. That is to say you must put in the transport infrastructure first.  Current policy has almost destroyed the city centre already.
			<ul> <li>You must focus on better integrated transport and cycling routes and more greenery in districts such as Splott, Adamadown and Cathays. Is there an option for cut and cover road in front of the castle to</li> </ul>

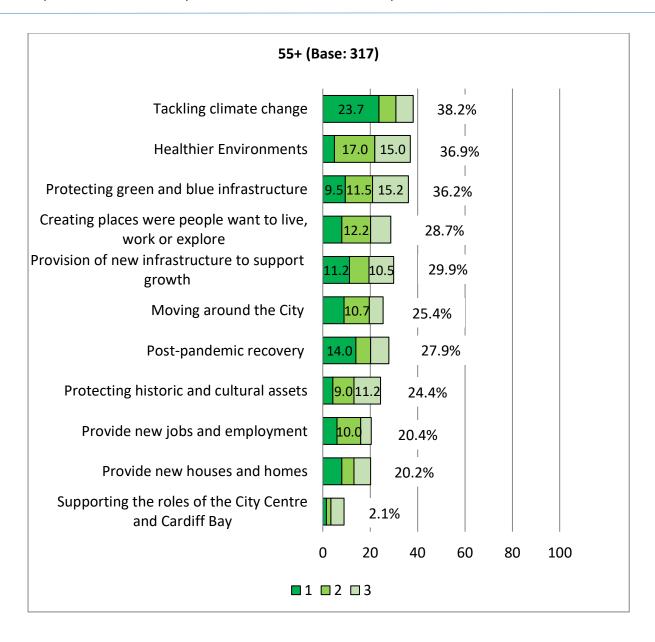
			reopen this back up to pedestrians / public realm whilst keeping the busy road access?  The focus on active travel needs to go if you want any form of post-pandemic recovery.
Vision needs clarity / Could have been written better	45	10.5	<ul> <li>I agree with that vision. The devil will be in the detail, which hasn't been put on the table yet</li> <li>This vision is empty, it's completely generic. A vision should set a clear idea of what to expect.</li> <li>It's very wishy washy and like a sales pamphlet.</li> </ul>
Vision needs to be implemented	40	9.3	<ul> <li>By following it up with real actions</li> <li>Stop creating pointless and expensive 'Visions'; just get on with sorting the issues out.</li> <li>The vision is wonderful, just make sure you abide by it / live up to it!</li> </ul>
Concerns around the ordering of visions / objectives	24	5.6	<ul> <li>Priorities are wrong - Start focussing on what really matters to existing residents and stop trying to win votes.</li> <li>Environmental issues need to be at the top of the vision. They affect our health and wellbeing and increasingly our survival.</li> <li>The ordering seems to be wrong. Climate change has to be first. Empowerment and social integration through participation and connective social infrastructure seems to be missing. Local food production seems to be missing. There doesn't seem to be any mention of high quality design for the long term. Data gathering and digital infrastructure seems to be missing.</li> </ul>
Listen / Consult more with local residents	24	5.6	<ul> <li>Create citizen's assemblies for Cardiff residents to make informed choices together about the objectives and how they can be delivered. This also insures your perspectives are diverse.</li> <li>Let the people of the city have a vote on the plan</li> </ul>
Affordable sustainable housing/equality and diversity	23	5.4	<ul> <li>I don't understand this obsession with building more houses that people cannot afford.</li> <li>By avoiding the building if more homes. We need to stop landlords buying all the new build houses and actually allow first time. Users to buy affordable housing.</li> </ul>
Support for Education/ Tourism & culture/our heritage/Leisure and recreation	21	4.9	<ul> <li>Less focus on new housing. Schools must be priority, having major impact on young people</li> <li>Focus on history assets</li> </ul>

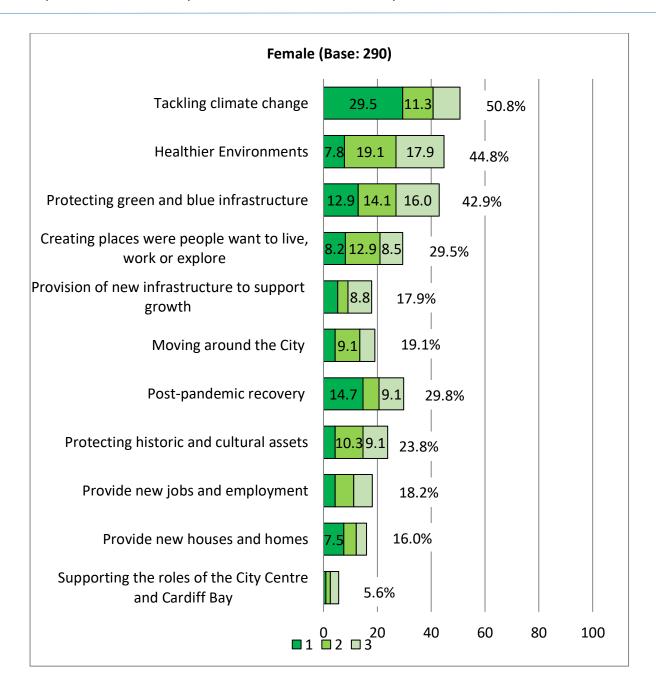
Total	428	-	-
			<ul> <li>by providing more hang-out spaces and co-working etc.</li> <li>How about making Cardiff a dynamic, outward-looking centre for innovation looking to establish creative connections with partners around the world.</li> </ul>
			<ul><li>beneficiaries.</li><li>More cultural mix across the whole city. People living, working and socialising more often together</li></ul>
IVIISC.	73	17.5	<ul> <li>Seek to actively improve the experience for all inhabitants now and not only the future</li> </ul>
Misc.	75	17.5	- Stronger controls on development.
Waste Management Issues	3	0.7	<ul> <li>Improved recycling, e.g. more bottle banks as these are more efficient for glass and recycling bins in all parks as well as adequate bins for dog waste and general rubbish that are seagull safe!</li> </ul>
Help city centre business/networks	4	0.9	<ul> <li>Help city centre businesses, do not make it difficult for people to visit the city centre by increasing parking fees and introducing congestion charges.</li> <li>This will encourage people to continue to purchase on line.</li> </ul>
Improved Active Travel Infrastructure	6	1.4	<ul> <li>Cardiff desperately needs safe cycle routes, painted lines on a road are NOT safe!!!! they need to be separated from cars and pedestrians</li> </ul>
Wales wide approach	8	1.9	<ul> <li>I worry about the expanding nature of the capital to the detriment of other south wales areas. We need a wales wide cohesive approach</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Jobs, Infrastructure, environment yes - more houses NO, unless on brown field sites, but then that costs the developers more to clear!!</li> </ul>
Create jobs	14	3.3	<ul> <li>I think the need for new homes is secondary to jobs and infrastructure - I don't think Cardiff needs more inhabitants at this point in time</li> </ul>
			- The plan as it stands looks to be very good.
Vision is positive	18	4.2	- These points are all agreeable.

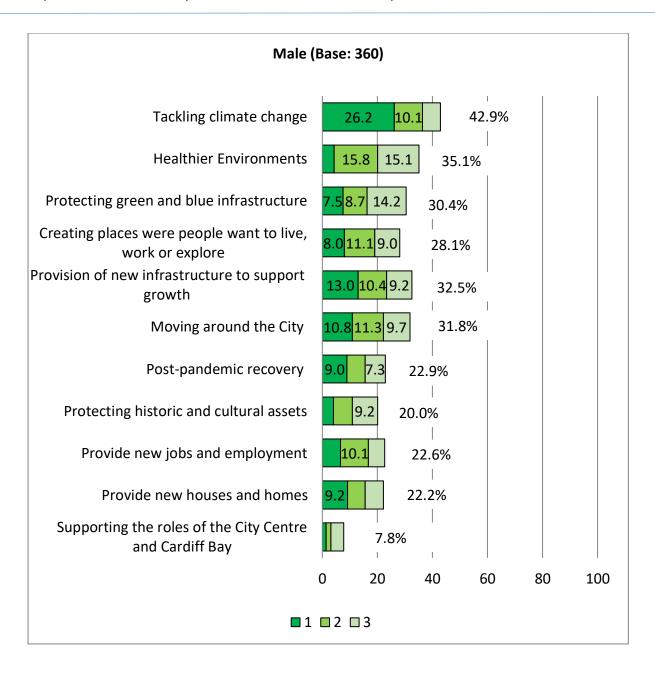
## Appendix 27 – Breakdown of Results for "Please rank the draft plan objectives in order of importance" by Demographic Groups

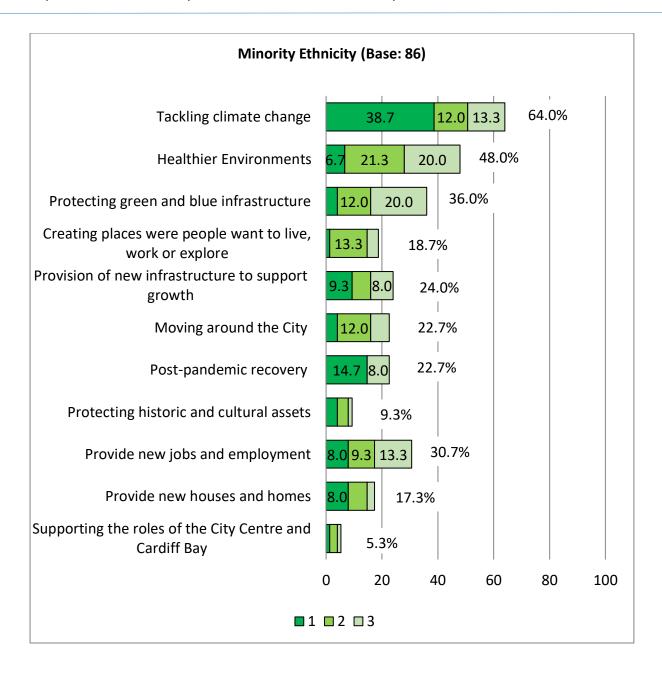
The following charts show ranking of the top three responses for each objective listed in the survey. The order matches that for overall responses overall, so differences of opinion by demographic group .are clearer

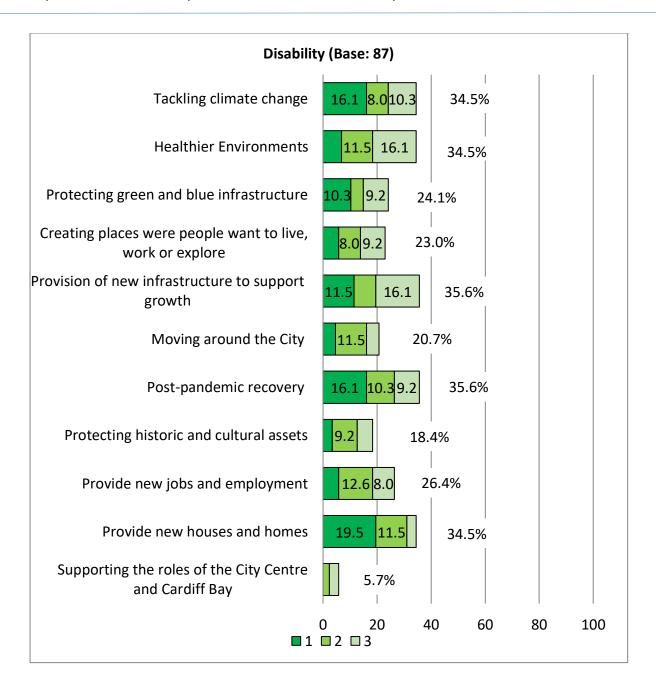


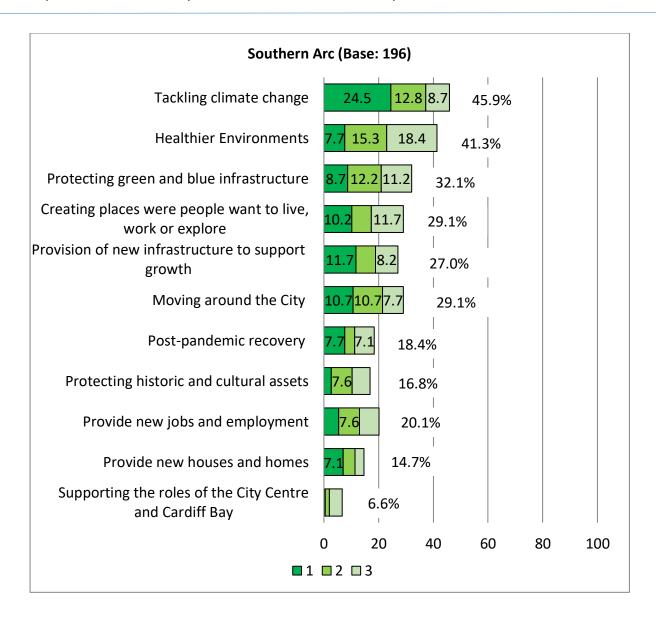


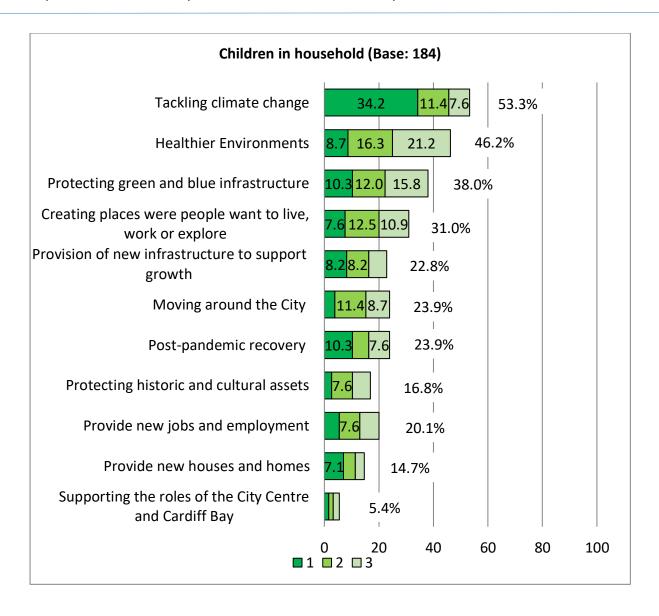












# Appendix 28 – Would You Add Any Other Objectives?

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Greener city	27	13.0	<ul> <li>Moving around the city in a sustainable way</li> <li>Biodiversity should be key</li> <li>Creating a more beautiful and less generic looking city.</li> </ul>
Improved Transport infrastructure- roads/public transport/accessibility	27	13.0	<ul> <li>Should not be any new homes until infrastructure has been put in place to cope with the 10,000 that have been built in last 8 years</li> <li>The more equal city mentioned in the Vision is not in the Objectives I've noticed. Why's that?</li> <li>Transport, transport, transport. The Metro plan must be front and centre of the LDP. All new developments must be Metro-centred, not built without consideration with a bus service added as an afterthought to an already congested roads.</li> </ul>
Question concerns /	22	10.6	Public transport must be fast, clean, reliable, 24hr, cheap, safe. And make the developers pay for it.  - Again, ranking these is difficult. They all have to
Queries			work well and together to achieve the vision.  - I've no idea what Blue infrastructure means  - These are a list of aspirations NOT reality! The net is far too wide and as a result, little will get done!
Improve/repurpose existing facilities and buildings	19	9.1	<ul> <li>Encourage small businesses and start-ups to exist in disused buildings - they can offer innovation, a uniqueness and sense community pride as well as economic growth.</li> <li>Using what we have better</li> </ul>
Key services -Education/ Health/ Police/ Tourism/ Leisure	16	7.7	<ul> <li>New schools</li> <li>Local sports/play facilities for children and young people. Development of community centres for local communities</li> </ul>
More community engagement / listen to people in the communities	14	6.7	<ul> <li>Listen to communities.</li> <li>Giving more weight to the concerted views of local communities in any planning decisions that impact them.</li> </ul>
ASB / Safety Issues	12	5.8	<ul> <li>Make me feel safe as a woman walking around alone at night. Deal with crime to keep people safe specifically drug related activity</li> </ul>

Total	208	-	-	
			- Future proof for the next 100 years	
			- Reduce council tax	
			<ul> <li>Improve local planning laws to prevent large companies with money always winning and getting their way.</li> </ul>	g
Misc.	39	18.8	<ul> <li>When promised section 106 payments from developers, make sure you get all the money!</li> </ul>	
Arts and Culture	4	1.9	- Support the Music City initiatives and the arts in general.	
Protect Cardiff's Character / Make Cardiff Unique	4	1.9	- Protect Cardiff's unique character	
Support small business not large companies	4	1.9	<ul> <li>Support local enterprise and voluntary sector initiatives above large corporate business. Make Cardiff the Creative Capital of Europe.</li> </ul>	
Less growth / More sustainability	7	3.4	<ul> <li>Change the focus on growth. Cardiff does not need to keep growing. That is not sustainable. Change to option to say 'Provision of new infrastructure that makes Cardiff sustainable'</li> </ul>	
Child friendly city	7	3.4	<ul> <li>Child friendly city - access to local playground from any neighbourhood. Support outdoor learning in schools.</li> </ul>	1
Active travel	7	3.4	<ul> <li>Investing into sustainable travel modes especially walking and cycling</li> </ul>	
Waste Management	8	3.8	<ul> <li>Keep the place clean, the whole city is littered and filthy</li> </ul>	
Affordability/invest in poorer areas	9	4.3	<ul> <li>Not just building homes, but to make these affordable to those who work extremely hard in lower paid job roles, as a priority over those on benefits.</li> </ul>	
			<ul> <li>1) Improve Law and Order by correctly funding the Police to enable more active policing of our cities. Tackle anti-social behaviours with ZERO TOLORANCE; (3) Tackle racial and other hate crime with ZERO TOLERANCE.</li> </ul>	(2)
			- 1) Improve Law and Order by correctly funding the	

# Appendix 29 – Do You Have Any Other Comments?

Theme	No	%	Example comments
Protect Green Spaces / Address Climate Emergency	48	17.5	<ul> <li>Address the climate emergency and stop destroying green spaces</li> <li>Protect our green spaces and heritage. Cardiff is in danger of being destroyed by developers.</li> <li>Cut out the obsession with building on greenfield sites</li> <li>We need to be serious about tackling climate change. It is important that short term gain does not take priority over long term solutions.</li> </ul>
Survey Concerns / Consultation will be ignored	32	11.6	<ul> <li>It makes little difference what is said as you do as you like anyway</li> <li>Not really sure why you have bothered to ask as Cardiff Council will already have done deals with developers!</li> <li>I realise my completing this questionnaire is a pointless and you will do what you want anyway. I do wonder why you bother to seek public opinion and then ignore it. Just more "box ticking" Sadly.</li> </ul>
Planning concerns	28	10.2	<ul> <li>I would like to see more powers of objectivity in the planning department. They need better controls over quality and design of new builds to protect the city's skyline.</li> <li>Do not make Cardiff look like every other city with too many ugly high rise buildings.</li> <li>Stop allowing developers to build all this poor quality student accommodation. It's a disgrace to the city centre. Raise standards in building design</li> </ul>
More community engagement / listen to people in the communities	26	9.5	<ul> <li>Please listen to the residents who have to live and cope with some of the ridiculous plans you have for the city. We have to live here!</li> <li>This is a very important plan but whatever comes of it can only succeed if the residents feel that their voices are heard and their opinions are being taken on board. Too often people complain that the Council will bash ahead with whatever they want to do without listening to the public.</li> </ul>
Improve Public Transport Infrastructure	19	6.9	<ul> <li>Introduce a city wide tram system</li> <li>24 hour frequent and more extensive free public transport with more park and rides on outskirts of</li> </ul>

			city - but car routes MUST be kept open as not all can access buses etc. and until it is 24 hour and more routes.
Stop Building	18	6.5	<ul> <li>Yep Cardiff is big enough let's stop building!</li> <li>Cardiff council seem to be intent on destroying the individuality of the city and obsessed with building. They have already admitted they will not need so many houses and yet they will no doubt allow the developers to build more and more executive homes. It is too late to rescue the city centre but the suburbs can still be saved. Start thinking outside the box</li> </ul>
More / Improved / Retain Community Amenities / Services	17	6.2	<ul> <li>Lots of new housing estates have already been built         i.e. St Edyrns, Radyr with promises of new schools         but this HAS NOT happened. If planning is granted         for new estates with provisions for builders to build         schools they should be accountable for making sure         school is built quickly</li> <li>Sports access and availability crucial and making it</li> </ul>
			free for young people/ families. Better cycle routes and safety to use this. Swimming pools crucial for children and tackle obesity
Cars	17	6.2	<ul> <li>Stop being such an anti-car government. Electric cars are here and green, we need good reliable road networks to keep the country moving otherwise we are going to move backwards not forwards</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>The city centre will become a no go zone for the majority of citizens who chose to drive. Post pandemic increasing numbers of citizens are avoiding public transport in favour of their car!</li> </ul>
Improved Transport Infrastructure	14	5.1	<ul> <li>Improve the provision of transport infrastructure and improve the environment for locals before agreeing and bowing to developers demands which are basically coming to Town to make a lot of money so remember who are the public servants!!!</li> </ul>
			- Park and Ride hubs just off the motorway, with charging points and regular, high speed electric vehicle service into the city centre is key to reducing pollution. It'll also reduce congestion for the residents of these areas. A new dual carriageway joining the A48 from the East to Cardiff Bay would improve traffic flow through the area.
Developers to contribute to the community	12	4.4	<ul> <li>I want Cardiff's LDP to work for the people of Cardiff, not the developers. I want phasing of developments to create whole new communities with working</li> </ul>

			infrastructure and transport, not build the most valuable houses first. I want a Community Infrastructure Levy that benefits affected communities. I want communities consulted about \$106 agreements.  - the Council does not have a good track record of providing necessary infrastructure to support housing development. Developments have and continue to take place in the absence of new provision of transport links, schools and healthcare services. Increased traffic pressure on existing roads has worsened, rather than improved the local environment. An ill-judged attempt to withdraw local bus services was overturned in the light of local protests. In the light of these issues, the Council must do much more to engender trust if it wishes to secure support for further housing development
Active Travel	12	4.4	<ul> <li>I love our city it's a beautiful place to live please focus on cycling and walking and our green spaces that make it so wonderful to live</li> <li>Stop wasting tax payer's money on hardly used cycle lanes. Stop this assault against the city with this nonsense utopia about cycling</li> </ul>
Look at other Models / Suggestions	10	3.6	<ul> <li>See the ArchDaily website (www.archdaily.com, or follow on Facebook) for plenty of ideas on developing sustainable and liveable cities of the future.</li> <li>Follow the Preston Model</li> </ul>
Growth unsustainable	7	2.5	<ul> <li>Growth is often seen as an inevitable consequence of wanting to be better. I think I that making Cardiff the best it can be is more important than making Cardiff the biggest it can be.</li> </ul>
Green Infrastructure	6	2.2	<ul> <li>Please do not dismiss the EV revolution that has begun. Road infrastructure and road journeys will always be the most important whatever the council's views and wishes are.</li> </ul>
Waste Management Issues	6	2.2	<ul> <li>Help communities with rubbish collection disposing of waste. Community skips please. More accessibility of being able to speak to an actual person at the Council.</li> </ul>
Living Standards	4	1.5	<ul> <li>I feel so strongly about building more housing that will be homes for life. Space indoors and outdoors, light, convenient and safe for all age groups.</li> </ul>

Jobs / Economy	3	1.1	<ul> <li>Stop the destruction of the green sites around the outside of the city. Jobs growth should come before housing growth.</li> </ul>
Affordable Housing	3	1.1	- A great deal of focus is often based on those on benefits, but those working in low paid jobs are forgotten - no access to social housing since these people help themselves and get work, with higher rent costs throughout the city and inability to purchase their own homes. There is little to no hope of progressing to owning their own homes, since the cost of the supposed affordable housing is still astronomical compared to lower paid job wages. The work that these people do, is invariably be much harder than higher paid job roles; often with thankless duties, in jobs few wish to undertake, but are essential to the infrastructure to any environment e.g. cleaners/carers & support workers/teaching assistances etc. This needs to be addressed so hope is given to those who will perhaps not progress to higher wage earnings.
Health Concerns	2	0.7	- Adamsdown and Splott have air pollution that is slowly killing children.
Misc.	82	29.8	<ul> <li>I would like proof my comments actually get read and considered</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Get it right this time and employ a better level of expertise to make sure that happens!</li> </ul>
			- Good luck!
			<ul> <li>Thanks for giving us an opportunity to voice our opinions.</li> </ul>
			- Please use our council tax wisely
Total	275	-	-

# **Appendix 3 Part 2: Summary of Comments Received**

### Introduction

A total of 83 representations to the consultation were submitted to the LDP Inbox. The comments raised in these representations are summarised below against a number of themes. These were submitted by members of the public, Councillors, Senedd Members, land owners and the following organisations:

- ABP
- Cardiff and the Vale University Health Board
- Cardiff Conservatives
- Cardiff Cycle City
- Cardiff Cycling Campaign
- Cardiff Friends of the Earth
- Cardiff Green New Deal
- Cardiff Civic Society
- Climate Cymru
- Coal Authority
- CO-Hydro
- Glamorgan Gwent Archaeological Trust
- Gwent Wildlife Trust
- Liberal Democrats Cardiff
- Lisvane Community Council
- Llandaff Society
- Mineral Products Association
- Museums Wales
- Nant Fawr
- NE Cardiff Group
- Radyr Morganstown Association
- Radyr Morganstown Community Council
- South Wales Police
- St Fagans Community Council
- Watkin Jones Group
- Whitchurch Arts Library
- Whitchurch Tennis Club
- XR Cardiff

## Theme - Draft Vision

- Include a reference to **health** in the opening statement.
- 'To create a fairer, healthier and more sustainable city'. Add moving around by healthier travel means.
- Add looking after the health of current populations as well as future.
- Support the vision to work closely with local communities to improve neighbourhoods from the outset.
- Add "more liveable" to "fairer and more sustainable" to the headline statement.
- Add "within a thriving region" after "city" in the headline statement.
- Remove "urgent" from the first bullet point.
- Replace "challenges of climate change" in the second bullet point with "climate and nature emergencies".
- Reorder so that the second bullet point comes first so reads:

To create a fairer, more liveable and more sustainable city within a thriving region, by:

- Positively tackling the challenges of climate change climate and nature emergencies, and post-pandemic recovery;
- Responding to urgent future expected needs for new homes, jobs and infrastructure;
- Creating a greener, more equal and healthier city which is easier to move around and enhances the wellbeing of future generations;
- Using a placemaking approach, working with local communities to improve neighbourhoods and deliver high quality design;
- Looking after our natural, historic and cultural assets.
- Strongly support the vision, particularly easier to move around the city, including keeping traffic flows moving.
- Commendable ambition but requires more detail to be seen as credible Climate or ecological impacts fall down the order of priorities.
- Need to go much further in establishing a well-being economy which puts the climate and ecological emergency at the centre of decision making, which is backed up by a planning system geared up to do this.
- Huge amount of commendable ambition broadly stated within the visioning document which we support but it lacks detail.

Cardiff Replacement Local Development Plan

- Agree with and support the draft vision set out by the Replacement LDP Consultation. Want to see a fairer, greener, healthier city in which ordinary people and communities have influence and power over shaping the future of their communities and city.
- Should set out a commitment and ambition to be a city 'that does no harm' rather than does little harm.
- Suggest adding a sixth bullet point: 'Adopting a flexible approach that allows response and adjustment to changing circumstances.
- Planning rules need to be tightened so there is no wriggle room. Current rules to
  protect trees, green spaces and to promote affordable housing are too weak LDP vision
  gives no certainty this will be addressed. Need a new approach away from the current
  emphasis on high rises and facilities only accessible by car.
- Need a vision for a city which is proud to be a small liveable city, where historic buildings are protected and maintained.
- The vision of how Cardiff could function in 20 years' time has to be a (relatively) traffic free (large) centre with streets taken over by the hospitality industry with transport heavily dominated by trams and ev taxis/ unscheduled small bus services. If we try to return to the status quo it will make this change more difficult. It's time for a serious VISION, the current council statements are still dominated by yesterday's thinking.
- Object to the Draft Vision and Objectives document, on the following ground :-
  - Failure to address the environmental issue of the need for the protection and enhancement of the Wentloog Levels SSSI, and the need for a full SINC and brownfield survey from the point of view of the biodiversity value of Cardiff in pursuit of the formulation of the RLDP.

The deficient manner in which housing and demography are addressed in the document.

The failure to formulate the document in a manner which is in conformity with the requirements of the Welsh Government's Development Plans Manual 2020.

- Vision and objectives do not set out how the RLDP will address the "wicked" issues associated with delivering a sustainable city. The vision is more one of "motherhood and apple pie", and could have been written about any medium-sized city in the UK. A further example of this is the matrices set out in appendices. They do not highlight any potential conflicts to be avoided through plan formulation in a manner in conformity with the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015, five Ways of Working.
- The local planning authority is reminded that paragraph 5.11 of the Development Plans Manual, in reference to setting a vision for the RLDP, states that :-
  - "the vision should ..... articulate how places are planned to be protected"

In failing to set out the required very strong protective policy context, (ie that of ascribing an absolute constraint on development in all but wholly exceptional

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circumstances in or otherwise affecting the SSSI), the local planning authority is not acting in conformity with this requirement.

- Furthermore, paragraph 5.11 states that the vision should :-
  - "be consistent with Area Statements"
  - 5.1.4 The document makes no reference whatsoever to the Area Statement which includes Cardiff, and for this reason we object to it.
- 5.1.5 Additionally, paragraph 5.11 states that the vision should be :-
  - "based on a clear understanding of the ... environmental issues" and that :-
  - "focussed statements which seek to address the main environmental issues identified in the area" should be included in the objectives.

The document contains no reference whatsoever to one of the major environmental issues, viz the continued destruction of the Wentloog Levels SSSI by inter alia sites allocated in previous generations of development plans in Cardiff. Neither does it make any statements committing itself to ascribing an absolute constraint on developments on/affecting the SSSI, merely restricting itself to the question on page 28:-

## "what measures need to be put in place to protect and enhance biodiversity?"

This statement is so anodyne that, in the context of the requirements of the Development Plans Manual, it is meaningless.

- The consultation document proposes a suite of 5 planning pillars under the goal of creating a fairer and more sustainable city this is not a place based vision but a series of statements that would apply to most locations in the UK.
- There is a lack of reference to existing Council visions and ambitions and how theses have informed the LDP Vision.
- LDP Vision fails to demonstrate how it flows from the Council's overall priorities and does not clearly express a well-crafted vision for the LDP.
- Vision needs to set out an aspirational place based socio-economic and environmental vision for growth and change in the built environment.
- The use of the word 'urgent' in 'Responding to the urgent future needs for new homes, jobs and infrastructure' implies a key temporal issues in respect of housing land supply, not just over the plan period as a whole but immediately.
- Sustainability needs to be at the top of the Council's priority list.
- Take a more realistic view of population growth. Figures for existing LDP grossly inaccurate. Greenfield sites which have not yet received planning permission should be released and development focused on brownfield.
- The Vision reflect 'business as usual' with a few politically correct 'add-ons'.

- The Vision Statement could refer to any city and needs to be improved and re-ordered to provide a context for a radically new spatial strategy. Suggest the following amendments:
  - To create a fairer and more sustainable city Cardiff by:
    - positively tackling climate change and post-pandemic recovery;
    - creating a greener, more equal and healthier city, easier to move around and
  - enhancing well-being;
    - using place-making, working with local communities to improve and increase the range of - local facilities, create 20 minute neighbourhoods, and to deliver high
  - quality design;
    - looking after the city's natural, historic and cultural assets; and
  - responding to urgent future needs for homes, jobs and infrastructure.
- Support the recognition of the need for new homes, jobs and infrastructure.
- A creative focus through the development of a cultural strategy should be added to this vision and objectives. Cardiff is unusual in lacking a strong strategy for culture and creativity.
- The vision should be redrafted to be more engaging and statement of what the actual outcome will be.
- What does 'creating a fairer' City actually mean in relation to land use planning?
- Suggest that **'resilience'** should be embodied in the Vision.
- The Vision could be anywhere it does not reflect the nature and character of Cardiff we need a vision that feels like one that Cardiff citizens recognize.
- Welcome aim of fairer and more sustainable city in particular the placemaking approach.
- Support concept of a 15 min city. Look forward to working with the Council with immediate effect.
- Would like the Vision to include aim of making Cardiff a vibrant city.
- Support reference to protecting natural, historic and cultural assets.
- Encourage Council to demand high quality design. Some poor buildings have been granted in the past.
- Vision should include defending Cardiff's role as location for new key national developments.

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- Broadly support the Draft Vision but many of residents' concerns can only be addressed in the final LDP.
- Welcome aim to create a 'greener, more equal and healthier city' this would be realised by improving links to the city centre.
- Public transport links need to be inclusive and accessible in nature.
- Environmental impact of the construction process and fully occupied developments should be assessed.
- Welcome the placemaking approach, but the Council must ensure commitments made by developers are actually delivered.

## **Theme - Draft Objectives**

- Suggest rewording and re ordering of the objectives as follows:
  - 1) Responding to our expected needs
    - Objective 1: Provide more good value suitable homes in the right places, to address the expected housing needs of Cardiff's diverse population
    - Objective 2: Provide more good jobs and optimise Cardiff's role as an economic driver of South East Wales, to improve the prosperity of the region.
    - Objective 3: Ensure the adequate and timely provision of new infrastructure, to support communities and expected growth
  - 2) Creating a more sustainable and healthier city which enhances the wellbeing of future generations Objective 5: Make the city easier to move around with a focus on sustainable and active travel Objective 6: Create healthier environments, reduce inequalities and enhance wellbeing
    - Objective 7: Support a vibrant mixed-use City Centre, within a City of Villages with thriving district and local centres at their heart, and optimise Cardiff Bay's potential to provide core destinations for Cardiff and beyond
    - Objective 8: Ensure that the city positively adapts to the new challenges posed by the implications of the pandemic
    - Objective 9: Engage communities in participative placemaking to create sustainable places, improve neighbourhoods, optimise regeneration, enhance public spaces, effectively manage growth, and deliver developments of high quality design
  - 3) Looking after natural environment and our historic and cultural assets
    - Objective 4: Respond to the climate emergency so Cardiff becomes a more resilient, carbon neutral city, and optimises opportunities for energy-efficient solutions
    - Objective 10: Respond to the nature emergency by protecting and enhancing Cardiff's Green and Blue Infrastructure, its biodiversity and other natural assets

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Objective 11: Protect and enhance Cardiff's historic and cultural assets for community benefit together with supporting sustainable tourism and cultural sectors

- Broadly agree with the objectives set out but an objective about making the planning system itself easier for people to understand, and to participate in, would be a valuable addition.
- Positively tackling climate change and post-pandemic recovery' should be at the forefront, followed by 'Creating a greener, more equal and healthier city, easier to move around and enhancing well-being.' Development must fit to these priorities, not the other way around as has happened in the past.
- Prioritise provision of new infrastructure, moving around the city, and supporting the role of the City Centre and Cardiff Bay.
- The objectives are also too vague they should describe which urban places most need jobs and houses we need Cardiff specific objectives.
- Support the council's vision to provide more dwellings within the council. We support the identified need for new homes and an increased target, which should be met through a combination of delivering the land bank in addition to new viable and deliverable sites that will be put forward through the Candidate Site Process.
- Amend -"Objective 1: Provide more homes to address future housing needs and support economic growth in Cardiff and the wider region."
- Objective 1 should include 'current and future need'.
- The Council should be exploring more than just the plausibility of the latest trend based projections and whether they can be assessed as a sound basis for policy formulation for the Cardiff Capital Region given the city's fundamental role in the future of SE Wales and Wales as a whole.
- The trend based projections need to be evaluated for a policy-on perspective to assess whether planning for trends delivers suitable outcomes. Housing supply and economic growth have a close relationship and PPW advises that household projections are only a starting point for the assessment of housing requirements.
- The 2018 household projections are 'plausible' in the sense they have been quality assured. Projections are trend based and the outputs are neutral of any policy considerations. Trends in population growth feed household projections and demographic change is strongly linked to housing provision. Where housing delivery has been suppressed this will feed the trends to inform projections. 2014 based household projections still form the basis from which to assess housing needs in combination with an affordability factor for each LPA reflecting a recognition that housebuilding has systematically been lower than needed 'policy-on' approach to housing.
- Due consideration must be given to the link between homes and jobs when developing the evidence base. This is fundamental to ensure that the level of housing provision

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does not undermine the realisation of economic ambitions. Cardiff is identified as part of a wider 'National Growth Area' in Future Wales, which provides the main focus for growth and investment in the South East region. Future Wales also recognises the importance of supporting Cardiff's status as an internationally competitive city and a core city in the UK stage. Delivering sufficient levels of housing will play an important role in achieving these ambitions.

- It is important that the Replacement LDP continues to support the phased delivery of the strategic allocations identified in the adopted plan. By their nature and scale, such sites are delivered on a phased basis over a number of years often crossing plan periods. The Replacement LDP must ensure that the current landbank of sites is realised and the trend of a greater diversity of housing is continued.
- Objective 1: Providing a range and diverse mix of homes is appropriate.
- It is premature to say that there should be a preference for 'Brownfield First.'
- A fall in delivery rates up to 2018 is noted this lends itself to allocation of more modest sites. To reduce delay sites should be allocated rather than rely on windfalls.
- Objective 2: Good to see that employment objective is routed in need in terms of sector and location. Due to COVID-19 it is important to reflect/reset to ensure what we need in the right locations. Some of the protection policies in the City Centre/Bay Business areas require re-validation.
- Objective 3: the programming of infrastructure is a fundamental issues that needs exploring. A clear set of infrastructure actions aligned to the spatial strategy is required. Existing/upgraded and new community facilities should be part of the placemaking process to inform the spatial strategy.
- Objective 5: The programming of infrastructure should be woven into the LDP important for growth of the city and wider region. Need to address the 80,000 car journeys into Cardiff.
- Objective 5 add healthy travel opportunities.
- Objective 6 'create healthier environments, reduce inequalities and improve and enhance wellbeing'.
- Objective 7: Close scrutiny is required to ensure that strategies and policies are tested.
- The tone and intent of the objective is welcomed but this should not turn into protectionist policies.
- No reference to the Council's wider ambition to be a child friendly city particularly in Objectives 6 and 8.
- Objective 8 Ensure that the city positively adapts to the new challenges posed by the implications of the pandemic post pandemic themes cannot justify a separate Objective. Where there may be a post pandemic response to other topics/objectives, this should be set out in relation to those other topics/objectives. Delete Objective 8.

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- Objective 9: As this key objective will be woven throughout the Plan should it not be in the Vision? High density mixed use development will not be possible in every instance.
- Objective 10: At the next stage of Plan consultation it is important for context and evidence for any Green Wedge designation. The matter of a Green Wedge should be considered in parallel to the Green Belt (NDF Policy 34).
- Objective 10: A key issue for the plan to address should be can the city expand further
  into the countryside and if so, where are the more sustainable locations in landscape
  and other terms.
- Helpful to incorporate additional wording that also safeguards mineral infrastructure to accord with PPW11. All existing and potential new wharves and railheads should be identified for safeguarding within the LDP, to provide a full range of sustainable transport options (whether or not they are currently utilised).
- A revision to the extent of the Green Wedge would be justified if development would aid the achievement of the growth vision for Cardiff. The issue refers to the word 'form' and this requires further explanation for consultees to be able to comment. There is no reference to Green Belt in the consultation document - a tacit acknowledgement that Cardiff cannot unilaterally identify Green Belt boundaries outside the SDP process.

### **Theme - New Houses and Homes**

- Need to review the future viability of developing strategic sites C, D and E reductions to these greenfield sites should be prioritised.
- Developers must include affordable housing in their developments, and Cardiff Council must implement its own policies to curb the activities of developers. The new LDP can address this inequality.
- The objective of 'more housing' does not address the fact that affordable and good quality housing is what is needed the rental sector at the moment is heavily weighted in favour of landlords and letting agents, who are sometimes demanding a year's rent up front (in addition to rising rents and poorly maintained, damp, mouldy housing stock). Cardiff should have a much more ambitious vision for dealing with these issues, for example rent caps could be introduced.
- Needs to be a balance between building new homes and the infrastructure to support them.
- Need early consultation with the UHB for health care planning on planned population growth. Consultation needs to continue through to pre planning and planning application submission.
- Prioritise brownfield sites to enable use of existing infrastructure.
- Denser development which reduces the need for car use and can improve local community facilities and the use of local services. As population age's higher density

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walkable neighbourhood are important for independent living and healthier communities.

- The predicted noticeable increase in the over 65s and particularly the over 85s.population will have an impact upon the health and social services. Need for lifetime homes and neighbourhood that support healthy travel and walking, with green spaces.
- Failure to curb developer greed, need to stop developers getting away without providing affordable housing.
- New homes need not always mean new builds. Far more could be done to release existing stock and to encourage conversions. This would have several advantages, including lower demand for land, reduced climate and ecological damage, and use of existing transport and other infrastructure.
- Conversion of larger properties subject to design and space standards, or conversion of commercial spaces.
- RLDP should promote good quality upgrading and reuse of existing properties as a policy priority rather than new build.
- Liveability of residential units that meet needs rather than just quantitate.
- Land within the city used for parking at out/edge of-town retail or office locations, or for car showrooms such as those along Penarth Road could via Planning and local taxation policies, plus compulsory purchase if necessary, could free up such sites for new homes, easing pressure on Greenfield sites.
- Greenfield should be seen as a last resort when other options have been exhausted. Council should use regulatory, tax and compulsory purchase powers that it already has to pursue this goal, and lobby Welsh Government for legislative change, within the devolved agenda, where necessary. We are now at a point where we cannot afford to lose more green land.
- In terms of growth the focus should be on jobs backed up by proper transport infrastructure. Need to work with neighbouring LDPS and SDPs.
- Growth should focus on brownfield recognising that there has already been a substantial greenfield release in the current LDP.
- Priorities for new homes should be in neighbourhoods with amenities, travel options, energy efficient and affordable to run.
- Consider houses that are physically and digitally secure.
- Cardiff's projected growth was hugely inflated in the previous LDP likely in part to a failure to engage.
- Question the make-up of the Citizens panel for consulting on the Cardiff Housing Market Assessment.
- Support the provision of necessary housing growth informed by Local Housing Market Assessments. Need to support the provision of suitable accommodation, including 1

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and 2 bedroom properties to address stagnation of household formation and potential increase in the number of households facing homelessness as a result of the pandemic. As well as affordable housing need to make provision for a significant increase in social homes for rent, maximising s106 contributions. Need to be able to hold developers to account for their community contributions.

- Need to .make reference to safe homes in terms of fire safety and the accessibility of housing stock beyond the mention of lifetime homes.
- Whilst some greenfield housing may be necessary need to draw clearer distinction's where sites are of significant environmental value or in areas at risk of flooding, provide natural sinks or access to green spaces for residents including areas like Whitchurch and Tongwynlais where there will be significant greenfield building and worsening flooding.
- Urgent need to boost the supply of market and affordable homes for people to live and to support economic recovery, resilience and growth.
- The need for new homes should be assessed using an aspirational, forward-looking approach that takes account of the role of Cardiff as a key driver of growth in the South East Wales region and in Wales as a whole and as a UK Core City, as identified in Future Wales.
- Provision of a sufficient supply of high quality housing will be crucial in order for Cardiff to achieve its potential in relation to these national policy designations, in order to support a suitably sized workforce and to attract and retain young and highly skilled workers to drive innovation and prosperity.
- The assessment does not place undue emphasis on the results of the latest Welsh Government household projections. The need to support a more balanced population age structure is recognised in Future Wales, which states that there is a need to "think about how we will retain and attract young people to all parts of Wales". This is absolutely vital in order to sustain services as well as providing the needed labour force to support economic growth.
- The old-age dependency ratio is also expected to increase in Cardiff from 21.3% in 2020 to 26.0% in 2036. Unless this issue is addressed, Cardiff, along with the rest of Wales, will be faced with increasingly stretched social care budgets and a proportionately shrinking workforce to fund essential public services and drive the regional economy. This outcome would clearly be out-of-sync with the emerging LDP Vision for Cardiff, its role identified in Future Wales and the aims of the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal.
- The emerging LDP should provide policies promoting prosperity and wellbeing through alignment with positive economic and social objectives, including those within the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal. In particular, there is a need to attract and retain younger people and workers in order to boost the economy, provide skilled jobs and improve productivity. Furthermore, the focus on universities in Future Wales should also be reflected in the aim to retain graduates and skilled workers more generally, and particularly in Cardiff.

- Larger, greenfield developments can play a particularly important role in the delivery of affordable housing and are often able to provide a higher level of affordable housing than brownfield sites due to less on-site constraints such as contamination.
- The difficulties in bringing forward development in Cardiff at pace prior to the recent uptick emphasises the importance of making available a sufficient land supply in order to provide multiple routes for development to come forward.
- Endorse the recognition that further sites will be needed in order to meet future need. With the allocated strategic sites in the adopted LDP now beginning to deliver at pace, there will soon be a need to start bringing forward new allocations to meet future need, taking into account the lead times for commencing development the emerging housing requirement for the Replacement LDP should take into account: 1 The need to attract and retain a suitably sized workforce to align with national, regional and local economic aspirations for Cardiff, including its role in the wider region and the UK and to support the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal; 2 The need to boost delivery of both market and affordable housing; and, 3 The need to attract and retain young people to balance the age profile of the population and address old age dependency ratios.
- Cardiff must not continue to chase a vision if it is clear that current problems are not being resolved.
- Affordable housing must be a priority if Cardiff is to solve its homeless problem.
- Purpose built student accommodation (PBSA). Policies should not seek to prioritise conventional housing over— this stock plays a significant role in freeing up traditional stock in the market for other households — policies should reflect this.
- No mention of Build to rent or co-living tenures need to recognise the benefits and plan for their use.
- Ensure that any figures on population and numbers of households predicted until 2036 are as accurate as possible and reviewed regularly.
- Question where the people to buy and live in the new strategic sites are... Houses already built and for sale across the city are vacant.
- Question whether Cardiff needs any more high rise buildings/flatted developments building on every available space to the detriment of the historic centre.
- Need to do more on affordable housing/Council needs to be more ambitious in its building and maintenance plans. Failure to secure affordable housing need to stand up to landowners and developers and deliver for the people.
- Need to stop allowing car based estates unless they have good public transport and active travel facilities in place and facilities are planned to be built with the houses.
- Development needs to be sustainable This means eco homes wherever possible ensuring o retrofitting in the future.

- It also means brown sites must be used and creative use of existing derelict buildings over the use of precious green space.
- Affordable housing: developers get away with building very little or no affordable housing. This needs addressing and leaves developers with the upper hand.
- Retro-fitting existing buildings meet Cardiff housing needs and improvements should be prioritised over new builds and developments.
- Development on greenfield sites must be avoided.
- Concerned about the way in which the document addresses the issues of housing and demography, because an unjustified level of pressure for housing would result in pressure to allocate land in environmentally damaging locations in Cardiff, including for example the Wentloog Levels SSSI.
- It is important to stress at the outset that, contrary to the impression given by the document, demography is not a policy-neutral factor in plan formulation. Cardiff appears to adhere to the theory of demographic agglomeration that a higher level of population growth, far from being a challenge to the environmental fabric of the city, is actually a desired outcome. This is based on the contested and controversial theory that an artificially-inflated population will, of itself, drive economic development and thereby raise living standards for all. However, what Cardiff's RLDP plan formulators have failed to acknowledge is that neighbouring local authorities are also pursuing the same agenda. It is clearly not possible for Cardiff, Bristol Newport, Rhondda Cynon Taff and Blaenau Gwent for example to all increase their populations. Instead, we consider that the local planning authority should plan for a stable population.
- Object to statement that "New homes... support the continued economic growth of the city". This is a reflection of the agglomeration theory of demography and housing, and should be removed from the document.
- ONS demographic projections are not predictions they are based on a number of scenarios and assumptions. The document, in relying on the 2018 ONS/ Stats Wales projections, has failed to take into account two of the most important trends in demography in the UK emerging since 2018 Brexit and the COVID-19 pandemic. Trend- based population projections from 2018 did not take account of very markedly falling numbers of in-migrants from the European Union as a result of Brexit. This trend is already manifesting itself. The COVID-19 pandemic has already resulted in a large move from urban to rural locations for housing, due to large and permanent increases in the levels in working from home, and this trend will continue and accelerate. The local planning authority is reminded that the Welsh Government has a long-term goal of 30% of workers working at or near home, as this will have a major impact on the population of Cardiff during the plan period.
- A very marked downturn in new births during the pandemic has also been observed, and the document fails to take this into consideration.
- The next ONS/States Wales projections will be published in 2022 therefore consider that no firm commitment can be given to levels of housing and employment land

provision at this stage in plan formulation. It seems very likely that, given that Cardiff's previous population growth was based mainly on in-migration rather than natural growth, and given the above trends, Cardiff's growth will, in common with all other local authorities in Wales, be far lower than hitherto expected, and the local planning authority must make provision for this in the RLDP, and could even be below zero. Whilst reference is made to this in the document, the main body of the text does not reflect this phenomenon at all.

- Clarification is required in respect of bullet point 1 of section three of the housing chapter, which states: "delivering current landbank of circa 25,000 homes". It is not clear whether this means housing sites with extant planning permission but not yet constructed, or all housing allocations in the current LDP which have not been built out. If the latter, object to this, because it is bad planning practice to "roll forward" old allocations from previous development plans, a practice which skews LDP housing calculations, and adds pressure for housing in unsustainable locations.
- Cardiff needs more housing to meet demand. There is a desperate need for more social housing and affordable private housing. Many residents in Cardiff live in overcrowded, inadequate conditions and pay rents which are barely affordable. The plan should ensure that the pace of building social housing increases and that the diversity of the social housing stock matches the wide range of needs of residents. We believe that more affordable private housing should also be built, by which we mean housing that can be both bought and rented at reduced market rates.
- Affordable Housing requirements /policy needs to be supported/ strengthened to combat inequality.
- Homes need to be truly sustainable requiring the proper consideration of the raw materials required to develop them and where these raw materials will be derived.
   The new homes must also be developed in locations which avoids sterilising mineral resources and infrastructure.
- Why continue to use every available space for more housing?
- Vital that as a city Cardiff meets the housing needs of our population, however infrastructure should be in place before houses are built.
- Affordable housing must be of high quality design.
- Development must be sustainable eco homes wherever possible. The use of brownfield sites and use of derelict buildings over green space.
- Current greenfield development are primarily for executive homes in suburbs. Need to provide sufficient homes for young families and older people who wish to downsize without leaving their communities. Halt the proliferation of blocks of flats.
- The forecast for housing requirements to 2036 needs to be reduced to reflect the fragility of the economy, affordability, housing types and tenure and the impact of student housing and under-occupied dwellings on supply.
- Access to cultural venues should be an key part of planning new housing areas

- Improve access to cultural venues in local neighbourhoods and provide low cost spaces for people to use.
- Report that the need for housing was grossly exaggerated.
- Development in Cardiff has the appearance of being developer led.
- The design of new housing also needs to be reconsidered.
- Objective 3 refers to "future growth". Why the obsession with growth, surely change is more appropriate?
- Bungalows, not high rise are especially needed for older people.
- Support need for Cardiff residents to have access to good housing at a range of prices.
- Hope that the large stock of existing land for housing will be taken account of –
  including impact of Brexit.
- Only 526 of 7,900 at Plasdwr have been built. Hope that the build rate will be taken into account and not allocate more land. We would object if land west of Pant Tawel lane was allocated for housing in the new LDP.
- Need to ensure proper drainage plans for housing sites.
- New housing sites should include adequate open spaces.
- Should provide for those in need of emergency housing shelter for the homeless.
- The RMA would like to see robust and transparent evidence on any future housing needs/growth.
- There must be a recognition of the needs of working from home/hybrid working due to Covid-19.
- Cardiff's role as a Capital City must not be at the detriment of the local residents. Need to see an improved efficiency of the highway network.
- Would like to see co-ordination between LDP's across SE Wales region and analysis of data should look at the whole region not just Cardiff.
- The Ryan Family owns land at Henstaff Court in land identified for future expansion under Policy KP1 of the existing LDP. The land has previously been considered and found to be a sound addition in order to provide housing growth if needed. We support the Council's desire to respond to urgent future need for new homes and Land at Henstaff Court is proposed to meet that need.
- The promotion of greenfield sites should be seen as a chance to provide for new homes across different locations.
- We question the reference to reduced growth assumptions concerns for the implications on the LDP.

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- With regard to low build rates more homes will still be needed looking forward to
   2035 which highlights the need for deliverable sites.
- Allocating Henstaff Court for development would address the under provision of affordable family housing.
- The growth in population and reducing household size over the new Plan period will require additional housing sites to be found we are keen to promote land at Henstaff Court for future growth in relation to Strategic Site D in the new LDP.
- Stronger LDP policies on HMOs for eg 10% limit with 50m locality, policy mandating enhanced sound proofing/cycle storage.
- Based on the geographical and environmental constraints surrounding the city, there are limited options for Cardiff's growth. North West Cardiff represents the logical area for the next phase of growth. This location for development links with and will support the development of the South Wales Metro corridor.
- Object to proposed development between Pontprennau and Lisvane.
- Recognise there are limits to the concentration of HMOs that are permitted, based on a 50m radius from the proposal. However flat conversions are not included in this calculation, despite having a similar impact in local communities. This anomaly should be addressed.
- Opportunity for land at Mynachdy to be a candidate site for the development of lowcost housing suitable for elderly people.
- There is also the problem highlighted recently by a Wales Online report that the need for housing was grossly exaggerated.

# Theme - New Jobs and Economy

- Need to maximise the effectiveness of the City Centre Land Use and Floorspace
   Survey... Identifying space that is currently occupied or vacant would enable planning
   committee to better scrutinise future applications based on current and likely future
   demand.
- The Port represents a significant asset to Cardiff, facilitating economic development and many direct and indirect benefits arising from its operations.
- LDP needs to provide a more positive and flexible policy approach to the Port to enable the best and most effective use of the Port. A port-specific related policy that provides the direction of travel within the area while excluding the Port from the more general employment land protection policies.
- Non Port uses are possible at some locations, with land available to anchor new investments in communities.

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- Need to broaden uses to include wider employment uses on port land not just port related uses. As well as industrial and logistical uses other uses such leisure, residential and mixed uses are possible.
- An important question for the RLDP is how land use policy could improve the quality, not just increase the quantity, of jobs within the city.
- Page 11 repeats the assumptions that have driven planning policy around jobs for many years: Cardiff is the economic driver of the city region; it has the fastest jobs growth of any UK core city; office space is in short supply; it has a well-qualified workforce but productivity lags other core cities with few HQ operations. These premises have provided the rationale for the "build it and they will come" approach to office construction in the Central and Bay Business Areas. City leaders have been keen on the advantages of agglomeration but less keen to acknowledge its disadvantages. A bigger city is viewed as inherently a better one.

The Replacement LDP is a good time to review, rather than just repeat, these assumptions, particularly in the context of the climate and nature emergencies, post-pandemic challenges and rapid technological change.

- RLDP should recognise the importance of employment at or close to where workers live. This offers potential benefits in reducing pressure on the environment and on transport networks.
- Growth should be placed on jobs bringing businesses into the city.
- Priorities for workplaces of the future are city centre commercial and offices premises with a focus on public and active travel which could help protect older buildings where they merit retaining, jointly prioritise live work units and more remote/hybrid working, small employment hubs in accessible locations.
- Principle of facilitating the development of high value cluster of specialist sectors as part of creating long term employment opportunities should not be at the expense of indigenous business and operations. Investment and development should not price out established small businesses. No specific mention is made of those communities with largest populations of Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic communities, who experience disproportionate levels of unemployment and deprivation.
- Endorse draft Objective 2, which seeks to provide more jobs and recognises Cardiff's key role as the economic driver of South East Wales. This policy objective should be linked with Objective 1 above in order to support a suitably sized workforce to drive increased prosperity.
- Cardiff's economy is relatively small when compared to the other UK Core Cities, it has a lower representation in high tech sectors compared to the other Core City regions and productivity lags behind the Core City average. Its slow recovery following the 2008 recession has also shown that it is vulnerable to economic shocks. This indicates that the success of the region is not assured. In addition, Cardiff faces tough local competition for investment from its nearest Core City neighbour, Bristol, which ranks at

- the top of the Core Cities group on numerous metrics. Hence, it is vital that Cardiff is supported to grow and prosper.
- Emphasise the importance of planning for aspirational growth in Cardiff in order for the city to fulfil its potential as the economic driver of South East Wales. Hence, it is important to ensure that the labour force projections and econometric forecasts to be considered in the preparation of the emerging LDP are not constrained by past trends.
- Need a regional approach. Care needs to be taken before dedicating too much land to
  offices until there is greater understanding of the medium to long term impact of
  COVID-19. Developing remote working hubs, located in areas with good public
  transport and with potential for walking/cycling.
- Home working has risen but will recover, we need to work in teams for cross functional innovation. It might settle on a 3 or 4 day week at the desk though. Many jobs cannot be done at home, eg hospitality related and manufacturing, the focus on home working is a SE of England fixation.
- Prioritise the set-up and development of SMEs in Cardiff.
- When developing new employment sites, consideration of the raw materials required to develop them and where these raw materials will be derived is necessary. The new sites must also be developed in locations which avoids mineral resource and infrastructure sterilisation.
- Establish new jobs in the Valleys rather than greenfield locations to reduce commuting to the city and regenerate Valleys.
- New jobs in green technologies would benefit the poorer areas of the City Region and assist green targets.
- Need specific policies to support growth of the foundational economy, delivering jobs from the bottom up to ensure more distributed local employment opportunities and reduce need to travel by car.
- Employment Land Review should be accompanied by a reassessment of need for retail floorspace.
- A thriving culturally attractive city centre is important for Cardiff to compete as a place to live and work.
- National Museum Cardiff and St Fagans National Museum of History play a key part in the economy of Cardiff as an employer, it is important that for the city centre to thrive jobs are created and continued.
- The comment in the draft plan that office space is in short supply is surely outdated, given that significant numbers of employees are now working remotely, potentially for the long term.
- Rethink and reinvent, rather than slavishly trying to make work the existing commercial space.

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- Do NOT make St Mellons in East Cardiff the Car Park of South East Wales to service this venue and central Cardiff large scale, sporting, entertainment and business events.
- High density mixed use is a term used a lot in the consultation high density does not sit comfortably with pandemics.
- Cardiff should be home to a wide range of jobs manual, non manual, skilled and non skilled.
- The Council should press Welsh Government to introduce business friendly policies.
- Cardiff residents should be encouraged to become entrepreneurs.
- Barriers to business should be removed support small local businesses.
- The arts sector has a key role to play in the economy and should be supported.

### Theme - New Infrastructure

- Need to assess what infrastructure has been lost due to viability factors and put in place a viable framework to minimise loss in the future.
- A focus on wider infrastructure which creates healthy environments is crucial, green spaces, play areas, cycle and walking routes, community facilities are all important in creating a healthy environment.
- Crucial to liaise at an early stage in planning on current and future health care provision capacity.
- Important to recognise developing where appropriate public assets as shared multifunctional spaces to enable shared efficiencies and collaborative working across partner organisations to promote physical, mental and social well-being.
- Fears that promised improvements will not in fact occur have sometimes been realised. The plans originally approved can be modified after permission has been granted, and while 'Living Decision Notices' may need to be changed when circumstances do, they can also provide a mechanism for developers to renege on promises. Enforcement is not always as strict as it should be, and if a builder goes into liquidation (whether forced or by choice to avoid commitments) there is little that can be done, while Council, with other demands on its resources, is reluctant to step in and fill the gap.
- Adequate infrastructure is not just a question for brand-new developments but also for those within the built-up area of the city, where local facilities, such as health, education or parks, are often already stretched after over a decade of austerity.
- Transport improvements, should be installed first with new homes around that.
- Great scope for co-production between professionals and local residents in a Placemaking ethos of partnership and engagement for community infrastructure. -

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Co-production could come in many forms, from restoration of buildings which have fallen into disuse, sometimes of historic value to new constructions, or improvements to open spaces. Resident involvement ensures that what is delivered meets local requirements, while professionals bring the skills to make this a success.

- RLDP should include policies to facilitate these, both by smoothing the way for planning applications around them, and by requiring community involvement in infrastructure provision in developments. As well as creating facilities of lasting value, well-run projects can themselves play a positive role in building community cohesion and strengthening links with public bodies.
- For any new developments it is critical to get infrastructure in place first. This includes transport, utilities, community facilities and communications but there are many more. Communications must be futureproofed e.g. the installation of 5G masts on new estates before houses are constructed/occupied.
- Priority should be a high quality, fully accessible to people of all abilities, comprehensive walking and cycling network linking homes to key destinations.
- Cycle infrastructure should be on space taken from motor vehicles rather than pedestrians or green spaces. Where not feasible on a particular route convert equivalent areas of road space to green space in suitable alternative locations.
- Need strong commitment that active travel infrastructure is in place first.
- Need a commitment for the provision of secure cycle storage for new development and on street bike hangars and storage for existing properties. Need to set out maximising the use of cargo bikes and e bikes. Electric Charging facilities must not obstruct cycling or walkers or take space from them.
- Welcome the commitment to a 15 minute neighbourhood and the locality approach.
   Concerned lack of detail stands opposed to the approach of zoning of development across the city which will lead to facilities placed at a distance from many communities.
- Seek a policy that masterplans all brown field sites to ensure increased urban population is matched or outstripped by increased infrastructure transport/green space/schools/GPs etc and new retail and community development are fully integrated.
- Endorse the proposed objective to ensure the timely provision of new infrastructure in order to support wellbeing and to ensure the lack of infrastructure does not constrain future growth. This commitment to providing new and better infrastructure must be central to the LDP in order to reflect Cardiff's role as a capital city.
- Where possible, new development should make use of existing and planned infrastructure in Cardiff, thereby helping to support the continued maintenance of walking and cycling routes and the operation of public transport services. This will also support more efficient patterns of development and reduce the need for car based travel.

- Large strategic sites will offer opportunities to support the coordinated delivery of other types of infrastructure, for example community services, schools and health services. Greenfield sites will often offer increased opportunities for these added benefits when compared to brownfield locations.
- Viability studies should be made public.
- Fundamental problem with the development on strategic sites that infrastructure is not being provided in a timely manner. City is not creating sustainable communities.
- Priority must be given to making a success existing sites. Distinction between essential and necessary helps developers avoid responsibilities.
- Planning policies need to be stronger.
- Cardiff has failed to introduce CIL loosing many millions to the detriment of the City and its residents.
- Existing strategic sites have been created with no new facilities leading to car travel no 20 minute neighbourhoods.
- Create outside and partly sheltered areas for young people to socialise in all communities.
- More bike parks, skateparks, green areas and play areas for older kids areas that are free to use, convenient and have accessible toilets and facilities for public use.
- Protect and develop communal community areas and facilities, and support communities to manage their own assets.
- Helpful to assess the raw material requirements to deliver the infrastructure through an appropriate resource assessment and consider the supply chain options necessary to ensure the sustainable delivery of such.
- Should be a priority for a formal mechanism for making clearer the process by which Section 106 contributions from developers are allocated and that developers should be held publicly accountable.
- Protect sports facilities and those provide in new development should be of an appropriate size and not squeezed into flood risk areas.
- Access to culture will be vital to Cardiff over the length of this plan. Museums and other cultural facilities should be considered alongside other community facilities.
- Post pandemic these will be important aspects for recovery.
- Transport links to St Fagans should be improved in particular greener solutions such as rail.
- Need for more recycling centres.
- Need improved broadband and mobile phone servers.
- New infrastructure should cater for young people.

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- Maximum benefits should be obtained from future S106 agreements
- We support the use of electric cars.

# **Theme – Climate Change**

- A Flood Consequences Assessment and a Renewable Energy Assessment isn't sufficient to respond to the global threat. Need to stimulate new ideas through creation of Citizens Assemblies.
- Need to rethink where buildings are located and how they are built.
- Repurpose buildings rather than demolish.
- Thousands of homes in Cardiff could be under water within three decades. No more building should happen on flood plains.
- Need bold and innovative ways of responding to the climate emergency New homes should be carbon neutral, use sustainable materials and are environmentally friendly, support electric vehicle charging and able to store bicycles.
- Significant proportion of Cardiff residents want to be able to cycle and walk more (Cardiff Bike Life Survey).
- RLDP must respond to the defining challenge of climate change. Need drastic action against flooding.
- The vital ambition of carbon neutrality is missing from its proposed objectives. This must be integrated as a principle, in line with the One Planet progress report.
- Allow Prioritising determining applications for renewable energy, flood defences and other green initiatives.
- Need to encourage energy efficiency in development and how will be enforced.
- Reserve land for a potential Cardiff Lagoon.
- Bikes have zero emissions bringing about a significant modal split from cars to bikes would be a major contribution to reducing the city's carbon footprint.
- No mention of the nature or biodiversity crises, which are separate to that of the climate crisis and the administrations One Planet Cardiff Strategy.
- LDP should set out a roadmap for the Council to sign up to a Green Building Council Zero Carbon Buildings framework.
- LDP should recognise the need for the Council to work collaboratively with the development industry to identify feasible ways for new development to contribute towards addressing climate change.
- There are many opportunities for new development to assist in addressing the threat of climate change. However, it is important for the Council to balance increased regulatory requirements with the need to ensure that much-needed sustainable development (with the benefits that it brings) remains viable and is not prevented from coming forward.

- It is considered that, in general, proposals to increase requirements through the built fabric are best placed to be managed through the building regulations framework, rather than the planning system. This will help to ensure consistency in application and reduce uncertainty for the development industry.
- The City must adopt an effective requirement for handling rainfall events/flood defences.
- Buildings should not be permitted without energy efficiency measures.
- Construction is responsible for large amounts of greenhouse emissions use of recycled materials will significantly reduce emissions. Ensure that existing buildings are developed where possible.
- Fail to mention carbon neutrality potentially diverging from the One Planet Strategy.
- Business as usual is not tenable. Replacement LDP must set the framework and decision making must reflect the framework.
- No mention of getting carbon emissions down to net 0 by 2030.
- Strategic Flood Risk Plan for Cardiff should be made a high priority.
- Climate change is accelerating, which means sea levels are rising rapidly. Many coastal and low-lying areas in and near Cardiff could be submerged by 2050. The Replacement LDP. Must ensure that flood risk and potential flood risk areas are identified and finances are made available for work to be carried out on the erosion of the coast and land identified as at risk of flooding. Need to prioritise funding, 18million set by Council for 2021 compared to 61 million for cycle routes and improvements to transport infrastructure and active travel routes.
- Aim for Carbon Neutral.
- Plan for climate change and consider its differential impact.
- Flooding: climate action needs to be at the heart of the LDP. It's the most important issue facing every area in the world, especially Cardiff prone to risk of flooding and being underwater w thin decades. Soil sealing is linked to this and is an urgent issue which needs to be factored into when developing over soil and green space. Can brown sites please be used as an alternative and sustainable drainage, to ensure areas aren't prone to flooding as a result?
- Overall, I urge Cardiff Council to put residents first and ensure the LDP is sustainable and puts climate friendly policies in place in the LDP. Climate change is the single biggest issue facing us all, so there's no time to waste in allowing poor development to affect our city further.
- The LDP needs to include One Planet Cardiff Strategy and its commitment to become carbon neutral by 2030.
- Cardiff One Planet aspires to a carbon neutral Cardiff by 2030.
- In order to achieve this, it will be necessary, when considering a proposal for development, to estimate how much carbon will be released by any demolition and development over the life cycle of the development.
- Each proposed scheme should be evaluated in this way.

- There should be an option to reject the proposal if the damage caused by carbon output is not warranted by the benefits of the development.
- Cardiff is the 6th most at risk city in the world from climate induced flooding. City Council has a responsibility to treat their decisions with the utmost seriousness in the light of this and ensure that any plans embed mitigations for this.
- Plan needs to enshrine sustainability and zero emissions from the start and a carbon net zero deadline for 2030 at the latest.
- All new housing should also be equipped or readily adaptable to cater for foreseeable or likely future policy shifts such as a move away from natural gas for heating, micro energy generation leading low-carbon/carbon neutral homes, and increased electric vehicle ownership.
- The Climate Emergency should be central and foremost to every development.
- Must consider the raw material requirements of delivering green energy solutions from the foundations for wind turbines, to glass for solar panels and the elements required for energy storage. For flood alleviation schemes, the plan should examine the resource requirements and supply chain considerations for the raw materials for the "hard" schemes as well exploring any potential opportunities to develop "soft", nature based schemes within mineral workings, from flood capacity to water management through appropriate planting.
- Short term proposals ignore climate change.
- Prioritise electric charging points for vehicles to help cut emissions.
- This LDP is the last chance for Cardiff to get on the map as a champion in the fight against climate change.
- Every decision should consider the climate crisis and target carbon zero.
- Use natural solutions to protect Cardiff from effects of flooding.
- Climate action needs to be at the heart of the LDP especially as Cardiff is prone to flooding.
- Soil sealing is also an urgent issue. Use brownfield sites and sustainable drainage.
- Planning decisions short sighted lack of respect for green spaces especially with the climate emergency.
- Impact of climate change is of major importance with Cardiff being a coastal city it is extremely likely that flooding incidents will occur more frequently in future.
- There appears to be little sense of urgency tackling the Climate Emergency.
- The National Museum of Wales declared a climate emergency in 2019.
- The museums are committed to being sustainable in all of their operations.
- Cardiff is one of the world's cities most at risk of flooding. It not only needs greater flood protection, but the LDP needs to prevent any further new build on flood risk sites.
- Cease all existing and prevent future biomass energy production.
- Renewable energy, produced on appropriate sites in appropriate locations is the only way Wales should go.

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- There is no reference to the Council agreement to reach Zero carbon by 2025 this a serious omission.
- Congestion charge should be considered.
- Cardiff Council and Welsh Government should decrease the amount of traffic entering the City.
- Welcomes this as a key Objective for the new LDP.
- Planning for new developments must not ignore the reality of car ownership in the 21st Century must be sufficient parking provided.
- Support the idea to "promote an increase in tree canopy cover across the city" we would also like to see the maximised retention of existing green spaces and green infrastructure.
- Provide assurances that the climate and ecological emergency will be taken seriously
  in all planning decisions through to 2036, proportionate to the global climate crisis.
  The planning system must work in tandem with your own One Planet City strategy.
  Any proposed developments must meet strict climate neutral benchmarking tests set
  within the LDP and work in tandem with OPC.

### Theme – Movement and Active Travel

- Need an assessment of public transport cost and frequency in Cardiff compared to other UK cities where public transport network is integrated and had led to a dramatic modal shift.
- 15min city concept should be adopted so people don't have to travel and end out of town development.
- Need to accelerate the shift away from private cars to reduce emissions.
- Need to take strong action to prioritise active and green travel. Disincentivise private car use making some car owners unhappy is the only way to encourage other forms of travel, alongside better public transport, pedestrian and cycle infrastructure.
- Emphasise the benefits to physical and mental health, through active travel, as well as to congestion and air quality.
- Be specific about active travel and public transport being inclusive, for people of all ages, genders, abilities and disabilities.
- Infrastructure and services need to avoid marginalising people unintentionally. Very few people can't undertake active travel with proper facilities.
- Add specific ambitions for walking for eg regular benches/rest areas, consistent wayfinding.
- Any development to the port needs to recognise the impacts of maritime air pollution, emissions from shipping can be substantial.

- Reducing private car use is essential to protect the environment, to reduce congestion, and to improve health and wellbeing. But this must be done in ways that do not worsen life for those who today depend on a car for essential tasks, such as going to work or accessing services.
- To deter car use must go hand-in-hand with improved alternatives, especially for those living in places currently badly served by public transport, or with inadequate local facilities. This demands a regional perspective on transport policy and provision, given how many people from outside the city depend on it for work or services.
- Road charging should be applied to everyone.
- Parking policy needs to change allowing too much for out of centre retail which needs to be halted and reversed. Introduction of a workplace parking levy should be considered.
- Cycleways should be created out of roadspace and not tarmac cycleways through parks.
- More attention needed for pedestrians.
- Moving rapidly away from fossil fuels for transportation is vital, but we still need to find ways to reduce the use of cars.
- Should prioritise investing resources for trains and buses.
- No mention of trams or trams/trains.
- Need to protect potential transport routes from development. Vital transport hubs link up.
- Provision of high quality active travel infrastructure is key.
- Modal shift could be achieved quicker if the use of the car is made less attractive, need to see more roads and streets restricting access to cars, development of low traffic neighbourhoods, changes to parking policies to achieve the changes, introduction of fair road charging and a workplace levy.
- Need to promote active travel particularly in schools and work places. Need a comprehensive signage system to indicate time to cycle to key destinations.
- Accurate assessment of effectiveness of measures is needed and need to set targets. Consider Council should aim for 20% if all journeys to be made by bike by 2030.
- Need to expand the Nextbike Scheme. Working with neighbouring authorities to develop similar schemes for the Metro/rail station. Need to make electric assisted bikes available for outlying areas.
- Important to encourage alternative modes of transport to the car and cycling should play an important part together with better public transport and opportunities to walk however designating the trail to the south of the Llanishen and Lisvane reservoirs is inconsistent with objectives, adverse impact on walkers, the SSSI and ecosystems.

- Lack of walking strategy integrated with the Council's modal shift and transport strategy leaves pedestrians disadvantaged. LDP must prioritise the public transport network.
- Need to set out clearly how the 20 minute neighbourhood are to be achieved, going beyond transport infrastructure.
- With any interventions should have before and after data so there is a bench mark. Make use of experts at the local universities.
- Support cycle lanes on repurposed road space but not through parks. Floodlight cycle lanes through parks changes the dynamic to the detriment of one user over another resulting in serious equality issues and very bad for wildlife.
- Propose all new properties conversions have installed or will be easily adaptable for on street electric vehicle charging, submit an active travel plan for number of residents they expect and offer a voucher for buying a bike, pay a contribution to active travel and public transport in the locality.
- Need for the Council to continue to work collaboratively with the development industry to identify feasible ways for new development to support sustainable and active travel. Larger greenfield developments in particular provide opportunities for master planning to create sustainable neighbourhoods that include walking and cycling networks and support bus or Metro links.
- Reducing the length of commuting distances or the need for commuting entirely, through enabling home working, should also form part of the approach to improving ease of movement across Cardiff.
- Meeting the need for housing in Cardiff will provide a wealth of opportunities to support ease of movement and active travel, through providing links to existing and new walking, cycling, bus and Metro networks.
- Too much focus on bus improvements which are failing to reduce car usage. The City and the Region need a rapid transit system (metro).
- People need to feel safe when cycling and walking. Cycle and footpaths should not be combined and should be well maintained.
- Support safe segregated well lit well maintained cycle pathways using road space as cyclists need a safer environment and the population needs to embrace active travel more. Against shared use pathways and the use of the Nant Fawr and Rhydypenau Wood Trails as the cost to the environment and the detriment to walkers are too much the route takes from nature / other active travel not from roads. Safe Cycle routes should be segregated/well lit take road space not walking routes/trails.
- Council is focused on leisure routes or direct commutes to the city centre which don't
  access the local facilities which disadvantages women, kids and older people. Little
  regard for elderly, disabled and women. Segregated routes past houses on well-lit
  routes are much safer than going through parks and woodland trails. Use of

- walking/trails are unsuitable for cycling pathways/superhighways nor for significant numbers of bikes.
- The National Museums have committed to Cardiff's Healthy Travel Charter. The museums are supportive of healthy travel choices and hybrid working allowed less journeys into the office.
- Congestion charge should be considered.
- Cardiff Council and Welsh Government should decrease the amount of traffic entering the City.
- Need for all forms of public transport to be better integrated and link with active travel.
- Supports the creation of more and better active travel routes and usable Public Transport routes through and across the City as a driver to reduced use of personal car journeys.
- Develop safe cycle ways on existing road routes instead of tarmacking walkways in green areas- and presenting those developments as viable and credible in public consultations.
- Consider the needs of children in developing safe cycleways for everyday travel (not just leisure).
- Make Cardiff a 15 minute City.
- Need to promote affordable public transport and active travel/take road space from cars. Bike lanes should not be built in parks/prevent any further development only reached by car/tax parking.
- Dates for EV only production are being announced for 2028-2030 well before the ban on new petrol and diesel sale. This suggests a rapid switch of the population of cars not a slow change starting in 2030/35. Charging capacity will be an issue, for the grid as well as for forecourts - just about the time period for the LDP so we need to look beyond the status quo.
- Rush hour will fade as work times will vary and smart travel widens. Travel patterns will be more variable/spread out.
- Buses are not popular but are still essential in the absence of a light tram system, ie they are a short term need.
- Cycling use has risen but not by as much as expected (London data) so do not expect miracles.
- There are more cars than ever, and car use is still the preferred option and will rise unless an alternative is better.
- The pollution issues are broadly the same for EV as for other cars. EV autonomous vehicles threaten to increase journeys like taxis mainly used by one passenger.

- The plan for traffic in the city needs a thorough review is correct. Castle St reopening understand the issues but will not get this is an opportunity again.
- It is not acceptable just to reroute traffic through existing residential areas, but with the road pattern in Cardiff as it is this is the only way but must be accompanied by a serious reduction in traffic, ie public transport and exterior P&R.
- How should travellers into Cardiff be routed favour redirection down to the Bay with a big P&R by the docks with enhanced Metro.
- Cycle friendly city and prioritising people over cars: development must prioritise walking and cycling but this means a proper transport system for Cardiff metro, tram lines, cycle lanes, and a proper public transport system. The council shouldn't agree for development to happen and allow congestion to increase without sufficient Public transport in place first. Developers have the upper hand and all they care about is making money not the impact on existing services such as healthcare and education and congestion. This is where the Council comes in through sufficient protection for residents and a sustainable LDP.
- The public transport infrastructure proposals are so vague. Without an effective, efficient public transport system accessible to all areas of the city, our future development will be undermined. Can you work this up more to reassure citizens you also think it is important?
- <u>Object</u> to reference at page of the document to the need for the Eastern Bay Link. One option for this proposed new highway would impact on the site integrity of the Severn Estuary Special Protection Area.
- The plan must clearly integrate the Council and Welsh Government policies aiming at increasing the number of residents using public transport and active travel.
- Concern over more and more congestion.
- Prioritise sustainable development by making sure there are public transport links and walking and cycling infrastructure.
- In favour of proposal to build a cycle route from Cardiff High School beside the reservoirs to Lisvane but it cannot be a continuation of the existing gravel track between the high school and Rhydypenau Rd.
- Reduce car traffic, increase public transport and cycle ways and make affordable for
- Do not invest in big cycle highways which mean cutting trees down in parks.
- Prioritise people over cars.
- Prioritise walking, cycling and public transport.
- Improve public transport. Bus services to outlying areas are infrequent.
- RLDP must include proposals to tackle the current sustainable infrastructure deficit and deliver on this before further land releases.

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- Poor air quality a key concern all buses need to be electric and powered from renewable resources as soon as possible.
- The National Museums have committed to Cardiff's Healthy Travel Charter. The museums are supported of healthy travel choices and hybrid working allowed less journeys into the office.
- Needs more explicit support for cycling as a central element in the city's future development.
- Due to increase in traffic congestion on Heol Pontprennau and resultant decrease in air quality. Access to the site should be via a new junction on the A4232 via St Mellons Road and speed limit on M4 between Junction 30 and 32 should also be reduced to 50 mph. Provision of new schools should also be looked at given it took 20 years to happen for Pontprennau.
- Outstanding problems with the present LDP:
  - 1. The lack of evidence of any success to date in achieving the modal split target.
  - 2. In North West Cardiff the development of Plasdwr where there are numerous new houses and highway alterations, but there is no sign of the provision of any of the necessary infrastructure or of the parkland suggested by the "garden city" name given to the development.
  - 3. The total lack of any regional plan beyond the boundaries of Cardiff.
- There is also considerable need to improve the efficiency of Cardiff's highway network for the benefit of all its users and for all forms of transportation.
- Concerns regarding parking Cardiff needs to rethink its requirements of developers to provide adequate levels of off street parking and greater road widths to address this. Consequently Cardiff needs to start thinking differently, not just carrying on with the same policies.

# Theme – Health and Wellbeing and Equalities

- Need a commitment to the installation of more permanent air quality monitoring stations in known high pollution areas to track the problem in real time rather than sporadic data as with current Air Quality Management Systems.
- Vital the LDP addresses inequalities in opportunities, employment and health status, access to green open space.
- The LDP must address diverse needs: there is no mention of race equality, despite all the evidence that this is significant for housing or health.
- Stress the importance of the Health Impact Assessment of the LDP and major developments...

- Obesity is a key issue in Cardiff environment play a key role in how active people are and the food they eat.
- Need to consider fat food takeaways and how they can be managed and restricted particularly around schools.
- Reference the Cardiff Wellbeing Assessment as a source of existing evidence.
- RLDP needs to set clear policies which have health and well-being for all at their heart.
- Must address diverse needs. For example, there is no mention of race equality, despite all the evidence that this is significant for housing or health.
- Inequality of green space. It's a myth that Cardiff is a green city. Many areas of the city have well below UK average access to green space. This inequality was highlighted by the pandemic.
- Appreciation of inequalities and of how Cardiff residents have diverse needs which must be taken account of in planning policy.
- A well-planned city must be inclusive for all. An important part of delivering this will be breaking down unnecessary physical barriers and exclusions imposed on disabled people by poor design of buildings and places.
- No mention the question of race equality.
- The proposed Vision for the RLDP has fairness at its heart and so must consider how the development of our city can promote race equality.
- Local Housing Market Assessment only refers to the needs of different age groups should be extended to cover all groups with specific housing needs, including needs of key groups (Black, Asian and minority ethnic people, disabled people, homeless people, older people, those with mental health conditions, ethnic minority women, etc.).
- Priorities should be feeling safe, access to green space and equality of access to education, jobs and training.
- Increase the provision of land for biodiversity not just green space.
- Modal shift away from the private car will help address issues of air quality and noise pollution, employment and services more accessible to those on lower incomes who can't afford a car but can a bike and result in increasing levels of physical activity.
- Significant inequalities and disparities across Cardiff must inform the way in which Cardiff grows, including the provision of homes, access to green space, public transport, and employment infrastructure. The LDP documents make no reference to race equality, despite implications across housing, employment, health, access to the natural environment, and pollution for Black, Asian and Ethnic communities in Cardiff.
- LDP must consider the impact of development on affordability and the existing culture
  of communities. Whilst development and re-development bring investment into the
  infrastructure of communities including housing supply, employment, and transport
   it also has the potential to increase property and rental prices and displace

- communities. This has the unintended consequence of displacing existing communities, predominantly low-income households.
- Need to reference to the Authorities statutory obligations under the Crime and
  Disorder Act 1988 to prevent crime and the creating of safer and of more sustainable
  development through the consideration of Crime Prevention through Environmental
  Design. Such strategic references have played a key part in making many
  developments and communities safer and more secure.
- New development can make an important contribution through the delivery of mixed communities that include a range of housing tenures and sizes, with a focus on green infrastructure, public amenities and active travel opportunities.
- New greenfield sites are also able to deliver new health facilities.
- Objective linked to movement and active travel. Improved air quality needs people to get out of their cars need a viable alternative to the car a rapid transit system is needed and the adoption of policies that do not make the situation worse such as ribbon development along the A4119 causing bottlenecks and poor air quality worse.
- Small industrial/manufacturing workshops on sites around the city are important to reduce inequalities.
- Need to ensure that improving people's health is a key consideration of development proposals. Make greater use of the Wellbeing of Future Generations act for clear policy to reject proposals that do not meet the City's standard.
- Whitchurch Tennis Club is a premier tennis facility, a community asset used by a number of schools, with holiday camps, use of the outdoor space as a result of covid for wheelchair tennis clubs, netball clubs, Pilates and fitness clubs.
- Seek protection afforded by planning policy to protect and preserve existing sporting and community assets.
- Improve the air quality in Cardiff disrupt the growth of car use by creating great alternatives
- Adhere to the principles of the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act and the Socio Economic duty.
- Protection of trees is important for health and well-being.
- Strongly support the development of a railway station at Mynachdy as soon as possible as part of the Metro programme.
- No reference to race or children.
- The role of museums and cultural facilities will play a key role here.
- Amgueddfa Cymru exists to help people and communities in Wales to have a better and culturally richer life.
- There should be more, local swimming pools, public and private, gyms, fitness studios, teen playgrounds and community gardens.

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- More outdoor leisure facilities including reinforcing and investing in the many neglected public footpaths for walking and cycling should be provided.
- The Council should allocate more money to fund children's parks and playgrounds.
- Crime is mentioned but anti-social behaviour should be dealt with.
- More farmers markets should be supported.

### Theme - City Centre and Cardiff Bay

- Agree that a mixed use City centre will be key to regeneration but need the right balance not over reliance on offices and reduction in leisure as in recent years.
- Need a dedicated city centre regeneration strategy with extensive public engagement.
- The Port should be excluded from a Cardiff Bay Business Area which would duplicate matters and may restrict the flexibility sought in the Port area.
- Focus is on the city centre with little said about the poorer wards who have long been deprived the things that would make '20-minute neighbourhoods' a reality - e.g. thriving local high streets with a wide choice of small independent businesses, shops, cafes et; a range of public and community spaces for people and community groups to operate from.
- Important to have mixed uses for a range of ages and keeping control over the number and size of licensed premises.
- Need to repurpose the city centre and empty shops and offices post covid.
- For Cardiff City Centre to thrive, then out/edge of-town shopping will have to be discouraged, which will also help the modal shift from private cars This implies that the Replacement LDP should go further than the Adopted LDP and seek not only to halt the growth of retail parks but, over time, to shrink or close some.
- City Centre is going to be far more mixed use, supports tourism. Operates as a transport hub, role of universities in supporting students and city centre student facilities, helps retain students after graduation, supports museums, links with Cardiff Bay and the suburbs.
- Too much focus on the City Centre and the Bay need to consider. Need to create well connected, vibrant district shopping and employment centre.
- LDP should outline how it will balance development whilst meeting the needs of communities in an affordable way, for example through mixed tenure of housing and provision of community buildings.
- Concern that the City is determined to continue a high risk strategy of chasing signature projects. Question whether there is any point protecting the retail role of the

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city centre which were struggling before the pandemic. Question the objective to establish the Bay as a leading UK urban destination – need to offer a variety of attractions including St Fagans Museum.

- Change the city centre into a more social and green area where nature and the arts dominate.
- Why demolish Queen's Arcade to replace it with something similar?
- Why house a Military Museum in the Bay on the only green site available?
- The proposals for an indoor arena in the Bay are unnecessary.
- National Museum Cardiff plays a key role for the centre of Cardiff and will continue to attract visitors and facilitate wider benefit for the area.
- It is vital that the "cultural quarter" around National Museum Cardiff is physically and psychologically far more accessible from Queen Street.
- Protecting and developing city centre is of key importance as retail moves online and Covid changes how we work.
- Agree that district and local centres need to be supported. Station Road area as a local centre and wish to protect and develop its role.
- These developments are supported but will only be of benefit to Radyr residents if the infrastructure is in place for them.
- Do not want through travel of visitors from beyond the city to have a detrimental impact on local residents.
- Support the development of local centres.
- Footfall in the high street will need to be managed back if retail is to survive, like the idea of more outside eating and experiences creating a non-stop party atmosphere.
   Towns need people to use them and people need a reason to be there.

### **Theme – Post Pandemic Recovery**

- Need to consider the future of the city centre for eg re purposing parts of the city centre to create parks.
- Importance of access to green space for exercise and mental well-being continues to be a priority.
- Travel changes to cycling and walking should be sustained and enhance.
- Seen an increases in home working if this trend continues homes should be designed for this or the creation of local work hubs.
- Priorities post pandemic active travel, staying local and revitalising the city centre, district and local centres.

- Increase in walking and cycling has meant that shared paths no longer function effectively due to the numbers using them. Need separate walking and cycling infrastructure.
- Consider that people who cycle or walk spend more locally than people driving cars therefore investing in cycling and walking infrastructure will aid viability of district and local centres.
- Leisure cycling can assist in reviving tourism. Need to ensure the infrastructure is in place to support this.
- Would like to see a greater detail around place making, including on how communities shape the priorities for their communities. We would welcome consideration of how the council and LDP can enable local people to protect the things they value in their neighbourhood through community land trusts.
- The trend towards increased working from home will require the provision of a range of housing types and sizes at a range of densities, including attractive, larger homes with spare bedrooms to support home working. The provision of attractive work hubs in neighbourhood centres, together with access to local green spaces and facilities in well-designed neighbourhoods will also be important in supporting wellbeing and can be easily incorporated in planned developments.
- The inclusion of a policy focus on reawakening Wales' cultural sectors is also welcomed. The achievement of this aim will require attracting and maintaining younger people through provision of a sufficient supply and range of high-quality housing.
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- Prioritise new working and meeting hubs throughout the city rather than focusing on the city centre as a high density major financial and service sector The 20 minute neighbourhood needs to become the standard.
- Pandemic shoed that people need easy access to open spaces, more green space and trees.
- Role of culture should be factored into the thinking in respect of these plans.
- Council needs to understand how Covid will affect work and travel patterns.
- Support residents working from home, developing spaces they could use locally.
- The post pandemic world brings opportunity to develop new services and more coworking spaces.
- Increased trend of working from home will mean increased use of broadband etc.
- Local services should be provided to avoid travel into the City Centre.

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 Working practices and travel patterns will have changed and this provides an opportunity for change.

### Theme - Placemaking Approach and High Quality Design

- Concern at a lack of new evidence being sought.
- Need to maximise community involvement.
- The LDP should help local people to protect the things they cherish in their neighbourhood with the creation of community land trusts.
- We need to move towards twenty minute neighbourhoods where all the facilities citizens need are within a 20-minute walk.
- The council must work with community a much more collaborative and helpful approach, and that was not evident in the LDP.
- The 20 minute neighbourhood or 15 minute city concepts create healthy and sustainable communities where services and amenities are within a 15-20 minute walk or a short cycle ride.
- Placemaking approach enables consideration to be given to the environmental impact of a development, the impact on health and how well it integrated into the existing neighbourhood.
- Involvement of local communities in the planning and development of their local area is important.
- Involving the local community in developing proposals is the first principle of the Placemaking Wales Charter and must be at the heart of the Placemaking objective. It is not just a matter for new communities but also for existing ones, which are impacted by developments in their area or nearby.
- Communities whether established or newly forming should be involved from the outset in Master planning.
- Community Asset Transfers can empower local groups to protect the things they
  cherish in their neighbourhood but must not become a means of Council cutting
  budgets or avoiding ongoing support.
- Create 20 minute neighbourhoods where all facilities are within a 20 minute walk.
- Support placemaking approach.
- Need explicit commitment to creating more 20 minute neighbourhood with key services within easy walking and cycling distances.
- Missed opportunity to define 'Liveable Neighbourhoods'
- Give more consideration to the concept of City of Villages.
- Lack of planning in Cardiff, no thought as to how constituent parts fit together.

- Refer to Policy 2 in Future Wales sets out that the growth and regeneration of towns and cities should be based on the following strategic placemaking principles. Large strategic sites (such as an extension to Plasdŵr to the north or west) will offer opportunities to provide master planned communities incorporating work hubs and local services in neighbourhood centres, access to green spaces and a range of housing types and densities, whilst linking with walking, cycling and public transport networks.
- Commitment to supporting development in the most sustainable locations sometimes these are greenfield.
- Endorse the proposed place-making approach and commitment to high quality design, to ensure that future growth can be effectively managed.
- Focuses on taking steps to create sustainable places whilst supporting growth is welcomed. This represents positive planning.
- Master planning process can establish design principles and manage capacity for change.
- Support the intention of 'working with local communities to improve neighbourhoods.
- Need to increase the range of local facilities in line with the 20-minute city providing a resident's daily and weekly needs within a 10 minute walk.
- Success of this objective rests with the Council.
- Move to brownfield site development as a priority/stop allowing trees to be cut down/upfront delivery of infrastructure and facilities/have energy standards for all new development.
- The use of appropriate materials is integral to placemaking. PPW recognises that suitable building stone is important for the restoration of historic buildings and may be available from small operations in specific locations to supply local markets. Further, dimension stone is used in new buildings where it is important to maintain local building character. It may be necessary to obtain dimension stone from geological formations which are restricted in occurrence in order to obtain a particular colour. Use of local materials may play a significant role in creating sustainable places, maximising regeneration opportunities, enhancing public spaces and delivering new developments of high quality design.
- Utilise existing buildings instead of greenfield sites and repurpose the city centre and empty buildings.
- Give communities ownership of their areas.
- Develop the 20 minute neighbourhood.
- Museums are not mentioned specifically in the list provided but consideration must be given to existing key locations in Cardiff as well as planned into future developments.
- Agree that placemaking can be an important tool to develop safe, vibrant and attractive communities.

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- Request Station Road area is made a more attractive community destination eg. A community square.
- Request that the 7,000 homes near Radyr be built to a high quality.
- Request a retail site near our community.
- Would like to see safer cycling across Plasdwr.
- We want the promised amount of green space to be kept without any loss to housing.
- All of the promises community facilities must be delivered.
- Welcomes the proposed protection and enhancements to the key natural assets, particularly the river Taff.
- Developments should protect existing green infrastructure.
- Re-develop brownfield rather than greenfield sites.

### Theme – Green Infrastructure and Natural Assets

- Biodiversity emergency is an afterthought. Whilst the Green Infrastructure Assessment and Settlement Boundary review provide some value need more. Suggest mechanisms like the Citizens Assemblies would be beneficial.
- ABP recognise the presence of two "Sand Wharf Protection Areas" within the Port. ABP recognise the value of the wharves but request flexibility to relocate across the Port in accordance with commercial demand, including consolidation, re-provision or loss in line with the long-term strategy for the Port.
- Imperative that current biodiverse areas are properly protected, including mature trees, new development is nature friendly and integrated into developments, urban biodiversity mustn't be an add on.
- Nature in crisis We need to protect habitat and create new habitat; provision of wildlife corridors in existing streets and new builds, hedgehog highways, bird and bat nesting and roosting boxes, wildlife friendly planting and less mowing. The LDP should protect and create green space, for the health: cities such as Birmingham and Nottingham have twice as much per capita public open space as Cardiff and they are being imaginative in creating more parks and wildlife areas, by eg turning a disused shopping centre into a park and wetland.
- Many areas of the city have well below UK average access to green space. This inequality was highlighted by the pandemic.
- More priority should be given to existing over developers to buy land and community voices should carry more weight in planning decisions.
- Biodiversity has never been more threatened.

- An essential part of the Evidence Base for the RLDP must be a comprehensive survey and inventory of biodiversity in the city. We cannot protect and enhance habitats if we do not know what exists today.
- Need to protect habitats, provide wildlife corridors in existing streets and new builds, hedgehog highways, bird and bat nesting and roosting boxes, wildlife friendly planting and mowing
- Protection of green space, and creation of green space, for the health and well-being of all. Cities such as Birmingham and Nottingham have twice as much per capita public open space as Cardiff and they are being imaginative in creating more parks and wildlife areas. Turning a disused shopping centre into a park and wetland for example.
- Need to address open green space deficits in central/southern Cardiff.
- The protection and creation of green space is essential for the health and well-being of residents. Cities such as Birmingham and Nottingham have twice as much per capita public open space as Cardiff and they are being imaginative in creating more parks and wildlife areas. Many areas of Cardiff have well below UK average access to green space, an inequality was highlighted by the pandemic. The LDP must do more to drive forward urban greening.
- Open space is under pressure from development but the consultation does not draw a correlation with how development should or shouldn't take place, for example to protect urban sinks or watercourses and urban sinks. We welcome efforts to make Cardiff's blue spaces more accessible.
- Loss of mature trees eg Suffolk House, The Rise. Urge the Council to adopt a methodology such as Capital Asset Valuation of Amenity Trees (CAVAT) for developments. with the principle that that for eg all development have to be CAVAT neutral within 5 years.
- Within the Cardiff City Council area there are recorded risks from past coal mining activity at surface and shallow depth. The recorded features include; mine entries, shallow workings and reported surface hazards.
- Need to maintain /increase access to green space identify sites that can be repurposed to green spaces, raise the bar for building on green space, every development needs to demonstrate a net gain of trees. Presumption against the loss of mature trees unless it meets a high bar of public interest.
- It is important to emphasise the value of the master planning process in the design of high quality neighbourhoods that promote ecological connectivity and support biodiversity net gain.
- Cardiff has relatively little open spaces compared to other cities, with many areas of the city well below UK averages need to address this inequality.
- A Green Belt is essential to protect the green backdrop.

- City should support local groups tree planting/creating wildlife
   areas/meadows/allowing them a level of responsibility for the management of local
   green areas. Need programmes to protect the rivers from pollution and waste to
   achieve clean rivers.
- The Green Wedge is an important land feature for the city and should remain so for future generations.
- 40% tree cover.
- A biodiversity action plan.
- Protection for green areas and biodiverse areas- a map for the public to know what is protected from development.
- Protection of the river corridors and further joining up of riverside and green areas.
- Wanted to stress the vital importance of having clean places to swim around Cardiff. Can the water quality of our rivers and sea be taken seriously so that improvements enable residents to enjoy swimming in and around fresh water and sea?
- The creation of new green spaces and wetland. Other cities such as Nottingham are now creating new green spaces in their city centres.
- No substantial development should take place on or otherwise adversely impacting upon the Wentloog Levels SSSI, object to the fact that the RLDP does not contain a commitment to this effect.
- The local planning authority is reminded that the Wentloog Levels (as part of the wider Gwent Levels) has been designated pursuant to Policy 9 of the National Development Framework ("Future Wales") as one of only nine National Natural Resource Management Areas (NNRMAs) in the whole of Wales. The document fails to refer to this important designation, and impact it should have on development plan formulation, and for this reason, we object to it.
- Object to the way in which the natural environment is addressed in the RLDP. The natural environment section is almost purely descriptive, and sets out no actual commitments, unlike other sections of the document which set out definite commitments, for example the Arena project. We consider that the environment section should be the subject of a fundamental re-write, with concrete commitments, chief amongst which should be a commitment to an effective absolute constraint on development on or otherwise affecting the Wentloog Levels SSSI.
- The section entitled "New Evidence Requirements to Help Address Issues" is wholly deficient, and objects to it. We are firmly of the opinion that a full brownfield survey from the point of view of biodiversity (not merely development potential), and a full potential SINC site survey, covering the entire land surface of the local planning authority area should be included in the list of new required evidence.

- Land left for nature is of paramount importance. Biodiversity and ways to help it
  flourish within the city boundaries should also be embedded in the LDP and consulted
  on with residents of the city.
- Support the principle of including a Green Belt or Green Wedge and would want such a policy to be operated to the maximum in order to protect our rural communities.
- The greening of the centre should be serious as in Singapore or Nottingham.
- Every mature tree in Cardiff should be precious that developers need to work around, not destroy.
- Concern over loss of trees.
- Preservation of mature trees and green space needs to take greater prominence in the LDP. Too many are being lost. Mitigating by planting new trees is not always sufficient.
- Refers to Wrexham County Borough Tree and Woodland Strategy 2016 2026 as a good practice initiative.
- Cardiff should be doing all it can to protect and enhance natural green spaces, creating green, natural corridors throughout the city and protecting all existing green infrastructure.
- Protect green corridors and green spaces. Green Wedge should be legally protected and development sprawl refused.
- Disappointed there is more detail on Green Infrastructure in Appendix than main text.
- Integration of Green Infrastructure, Heritage and Culture vital to create a distinctive future for City.
- Maximise the use of green spaces for the sustainable growing of food for our local communities.
- The wellbeing value of the protection of greenspaces cannot be underestimated.
- Should rule out development on the Wentloog SSSI and every scrap of the Wentloog Levels should be protected as a Community Green Infrastructure.
- Prevent plastic pollution to enter the River Taff.
- Council should make better use of the Taff increase leisure use.
- Housing site at De Braose Close should not be permitted should be part of green corridor.
- Fields west of Pant Tawel lane should be kept.
- Develop strategy for Hermit Woods.
- Transport for Wales's compounds should be returned to green spaces.

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- Welcome the proposed protection and enhancements to the key natural assets, particularly the river Taff.
- Developments should protect existing green infrastructure.
- Re-develop brownfield rather than greenfield sites.
- Dismayed to see such large areas of green land being built upon when we are trying to conserve nature, biodiversity and good air quality. Live in Pontprennau peace and tranquillity sorely missed in more compact built up areas. It seems that what has been nurtured in our area is being destroyed. Worry for the local wildlife. Appreciate steps are being taken to minimise impact on local residents but fear that these are being overridden by greedy developers and lack of care for the landscape, local residents, nature and wildlife. Request that our local protect our local environment for the future of our community.
- Similar encouragement and support should be given around preservation or creation of green spaces or the reuse of buildings for community purposes.
- Most of Adamsdown ward is an SOA of deprivation. The Integrated Sustainability Appraisal needs to take account of shortage of green space in the area.
- The existing LDP has failed to protect the small amount of green space the ward has.
- The Integrated Sustainability Appraisal needs to protect all of Adamsdown's green spaces from being built on.
- Any future development of existing buildings in Adamsdown should be required to show how it would increase the amount of green space in the community.

### Theme – Historic and Cultural Assets

- Consider successive administrations have resulted in the loss of cultural heritage. Need to look to lessons from Liverpool's removal from the UNESCO World Heritage Site. Need to identify what remains and development likely to have a negative impact.
- Iconic buildings such as the neglected Coal Exchange, and much-loved local landmarks that tend to fall to development, such as Guildford Terrace, where only the facades remain, need to be valued in the new LDP.
- Suggest that a series of story boards be incorporated into the plans to highlight our lost historic sites like the Greyfriars Monastery and the Cory Hall as well as our remaining historic buildings.
- Cardiff has a proud history and a bright future. It is important that our children and grand children see visible signs of our heritage around the capital so that they can be proud of how far we have come.
- Cardiff Council can do much more to protect and enhance the built heritage of our city.
   To do this, it has to show real commitment to achieving this to protect local distinctiveness requires local communities to be engaged.

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- Need to clearly demonstrate how the enforcement of the existing protections/legislations will be implemented.
- Increasing pedestrianisation and restricting vehicle access protects historic assets by reducing damaging pollutants, maximises the cities attractiveness for tourism and the night-time economy.
- Must include assets of community value, not just assets of a particular historical or cultural significance, for example the Paddle Steamer, Guildford Crescent, Mynachdy Institute, and the Coal Exchange.
- Welsh Language should have greater prominence in everyday life All new development
  if named should be welsh or bilingual, all parks, streets cycle paths, footpaths bus and
  train stations developed by public bodies have a welsh name.
- Consider that little attention has been given to this to date.
- Old Whitchurch Hospital Grade 2 Listed Structure with lots of space to be used for well-being services. Would like to see space such as the theatre used for community performance groups. Hope the plan would include provision for improvement and renovation of the theatre.
- Council's approach to the city's heritage is pitiful. Want to live in a capital which has some pride in its history as a multi ethnic Welsh city.
- Prioritise cultural heritage and community cohesion in respecting communities (Bute Town) and communities of interest/identity (LGBTQIA bars, allotment owners, small music venues, Muslim community etc).
- Historical and Cultural Assets includes the recognition of the range of historic assets, both designated (protected as Scheduled Monuments or Listed Buildings) and non-designated, and the need to both protect and preserve these as part of Cardiff's heritage Understanding these as a resource will contribute to a better appreciation, both from a development management viewpoint and as keyed in with the well-being goals.
- It should also be noted that Legislative and Policy changes have occurred since the last LDP and these include the Historic Environment (Wales) Act 2016, mentioned in the Sustainability Report; and the legislative cascade includes TAN24: The Historic Environment 2017, and Planning Policy Wales 2021 Edition 11. Further Best Practice guidance on managing change in the historic environment is provided by Cadw.
- When considering cultural assets must be first and foremost about people rather than money and profit.
- The objectives of the Council and the Welsh Government to increase the number of Welsh speakers need to be embedded in LA planning policy. Suggestions include ensuring that all new schools are Welsh medium, widening access to existing Welsh-

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- medium schools and ensuring that all new developments streets, footpaths, parks, buildings have Welsh names.
- The use of appropriate materials will be necessary to protect and enhance Cardiff's historic and cultural assets together with supporting sustainable tourism and cultural sectors.
- Protect community heritage.
- Disappointed there is more detail on Heritage and Culture in Appendix than main text.
- Integration of Green Infrastructure, Heritage and Culture vital to create a distinctive future for City.
- Important that the LDP provides enhanced protection for Cardiff's historic and cultural assets. This protection needs to exist at both macro and micro levels.
- Cardiff Council should avoid loss of built heritage.
- Poor buildings in City Centre should be replaced with better quality buildings.
- Work with Welsh Language Commissioner to operate with Promotion Standards.
- Work with Council and Cadw to developer management strategy for Mound and Cooking Mound in Radyr woods.
- The East of Cardiff lacks any kind of arts centre currently and there should be one as the nearest is otherwise Canton or Newport Riverside.

### Theme – Regional Planning

- Need to take a wider view across the region.
- Need to work in partnership with neighbouring Councils decisions such as flooding issues need a river catchment solution and not be made in isolation as do transport, employment and housing issues.
- Cardiff's future cannot be determined without taking a wider view across the region, which opens up options for responding to matters like flooding, housing and transport.
   This is barely mentioned in the LDP consultation paper.
- Need better alignment between the LDP and the SDP. Cardiff's future cannot be determined without taking a wider view across the region, which opens up options for responding to matters like flooding, housing and transport. The issues around employment land and retail locations cannot be resolved purely from a Cardiff perspective. They are inherently regional, as people cross authority boundaries to work or shop. Until an SDP is available, Cardiff Council should strive for a common approach with neighbouring authorities. This is barely mentioned in the RLDP consultation paper.

### Theme – Consultation Process

- Consult communities in a meaningful way not just a box-ticking exercise.
- Consultation inaccessible particularly for disadvantaged groups who have the most need to be involved. Need to stop consultation until able to engage with all sectors of society and create a consultation that represents the needs and opinions of the whole of Cardiff.
- Consultation process flawed as no face to face events held.
- Consultation document not easy to read and a barrier for many people.
- Welsh language treated less favourably than English.
- Consultations should not be purely by digital means, there needs to be a combination of methods, as some simply can't.
- Developing the RLDP requires intensive work across all sectors and with communities.
- Take into account the impossibility of respondents judging priorities for land use without more detailed information.
- Continue to engage communities in coming to a view on the optimum balance of types of land use in the light of the limited capacity of the City to absorb new development.
- Difficulty filling in online consultation. Consultation deadline should be extended. Suggest community engagement in each ward (officer presence).
- Document is insular, lacking in substance and unable to decide between moving forward with new ideas or staying in the past. The paper at times appears to acknowledge past and current issues (such as delays in providing the necessary infrastructure) but at other times seems content to continue down the very path that has led to these difficulties.
- Disappointed in the online survey. More information is needed for a meaningful response on many issues. It is also questionable for responders to when all of the choices will be needed. The consultation seems designed to achieve the answers that Cardiff wants to receive, rather than to gain a genuine understanding of what people and communities want to see.
- To really work with local communities the Council must understand what people want and what they value; please do not assume that the Council, it's officers or developers know what people value the Council must listen, not lecture; not claim to listen and then continue on a pre-decided route. There will be many different voices, with different views, but that does not justify the Council and its officers, ignoring residents as has happened previously.
- Engagement needs to build in resources and expertise to engage fully with citizens.
- Concern that the document is inaccessible and the lack of consultation in particular the Virtual Consultation Room.
- Halt the LDP process unit a public engagement programme is provided which sets out the plans for citizen engagement.

- Carry out further consultation and public engagement in addition to this initial consultation.
- Consultation questions too binary.
- Many groups will be underrepresented in this consultation and request the consultation process is stopped until such time that assurance can be provided regarding engaging with diverse groups.
- Consultation needs to be more inclusive. Those in need of social housing and are currently homeless will not be able to take part in the online consultation.
- I also I request that the consultation deadline for this phase of 23rd be July be extended. Developers have until end of August to submit candidate sites so there would be a logic in that or a later date applying for citizens as well. This would also allow time for Cardiff Council to engage in public meetings and events to discuss and explain the LDP and consultation process in more effective ways than the on-line survey which is not appropriate for this type of consultation.
- I would like to strongly request that at this time, the Council halts the LDP process until it
  is in a position to provide a public engagement programme which sets out Cardiff
  Council's plans for comprehensive citizen engagement going forward.
- The council must "provide opportunities for the whole community (different age groups, local community groups, hard to reach groups and protected characteristic groups) including businesses, to engage at appropriate stages in the process." Until the above can be delivered, please pause the LDP process.
- If the Council is serious about consultation and involving residents need to broaden approach Process not user friendly and not publicised widely enough and made accessible enough. Online consultation not user friendly need to use libraries and community centres.
- Listen and take into account the views of residents
- if we are to have any hope of coping with the climate and nature emergency, we have to move beyond the politics that have so far held us back, and into listening, dialogue and towards unity and action.
- We therefore believe citizens should be empowered to hold the power.
- Inadequate arrangements/shamelessly hidden behind the excuse of covid restrictions.
   Digital exclusion particularly effects the poorer and older groups discriminating against them. Extend the consultation to hold meetings especially in deprived multi ethnic wards.
- Lack of public discussion and engagement and the LDP should not be rushed through.
- Language used throughout isn't consistently everyday language and may create barriers to engagement.
- Online platform whilst engaging and interactive will be difficult for some to access.

- LDP should emphasise not only the need to positively engage with local communities but also highlight the Council's commitment to work together with stakeholders, including developers in order to deliver high quality sustainable neighbourhoods.
- Level of engagement disappointing. Use my privilege to ask that consultation is stopped until proper engagement with diverse groups is assured.
- Limitations of the consultation process being a managed online exercise which excludes citizens. Virtual room only contains uploaded documents difficult to print of, room not supported by a chat function or interactive, focus is on a guided online survey which can exacerbate the balance of power where individuals are reduced to numbers and percentages.
- Town halls meetings enable citizens to listen to the views of others and challenge those with power and citizens assemblies.
- Approach of identifying strategic sites for housing development should be reconsidered. LDP should identify potential sites of varying sizes, for which rapid approval could be given, if and when the need arises, but which should not be assumed to be required until expected growth is more certain. A Placemaking approach (see 3.9.1) should encourage local residents or community groups to suggest locations that might be suitable for housing in their area. Such proposals should not be expected to be of the same standard as the Candidate Site Submission Guidance.
- Serious misgivings with the finalised delivery agreement, and the depth and scope of public engagement. Public engagement at this stage has been severely lacking even with consideration for the Coronavirus pandemic. Want this stage extended and present to public in community hubs, Councillors, walk in public meetings and citizens assemblies. Need assurances of a commitment to improved community consultation, including under represented voices. Demand implementation of citizen's assemblies, town hall meetings for the remaining stages of the LDP Review. Would like an Independent Commissioner for planning and a dedicated team to empower the public to challenge planning decisions.
- Demand that the replacement LDP process is halted until such a time that clear plans for authentic engagement are published prioritising the public and those least likely to have their voices heard particularly young people instead of favouring the usual suspects and the developers.
- Need to make engaging easy and advertise it everywhere.
- Online consultation very confusing.
- Level of engagement with citizens not enough.
- Put the needs of the people and the planet first and declare your accountability to citizens, not developers.
- Some of the groups who will be most impacted by planning decisions in the future are excluded from your consultation methodology to date.

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- Ask Cardiff Council to pause this consultation and provide communities with a further three weeks to respond to this current stage and publish a programme of engagement for the rest of the consultation which better befits the development of this important plan by mid-August.
- Stop the LDP process until you're able to provide a public engagement programme.
- Take note of local groups like Cardiff FoE, Green New Deal, Cardiff Civic Society, Cardiff Extinction Rebellion and Reclaim Cardiff.
- Survey very time consuming and not fit for purpose.
- Organise real engagement events and relaunch the process.
- Suspend consultation and provide a public engagement programme for meaningful public engagement.
- The current consultation does not allow for valid representation of public views. We are being pushed into making artificial choices which don't truly reflect how we feel.
- Please could you halt the current consultation until you have plans for proper citizen engagement, through a public engagement programme?
- There is a disconnect between policy and decision making. Becoming a fairer and more sustainable city needs to underpin every policy in the LDP including all SPG and all decisions and services.
- A fairer city means involving those affected by decisions in decision making. Relying solely on online consultation excluded many people from the process. Diversity of the city is unlikely to be represented in the responses. Need a robust plan for citizen's engagement including children and young people.
- Need a change in direction in home the Council interacts with citizens and makes its decisions.
- There will need to be local people's assemblies and citizens assemblies set up in all local areas with facilitated forums to discuss the issues.
- This needs to include fair representation for diverse groups and child care facilities.
- Use data mapping (passive existing data and active data made with citizens) as part of the consultation process.
- We await with interest the results of this exercise.
- Would like to see the highest possible standards in terms of notification to residents of new developments, ease for residents to submit comments and increasing the opportunities to speak to officers and decision makers.

### Theme – Candidate Site Process

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- Convinced that asking for development sites before declaring the future vision is back to front particularly as it is not acceptable to just reroute traffic through existing residential areas. The constraints map is not forward looking enough.
- Note the call for Candidate Sites as currently issued, we are concerned that this means the new LDP will again be led by what Developers are seeking.
- We would like to see the option for communities to propose Candidate Sites rather than proposals having to come from owners or potential developers of sites.

### **Other Comments**

- Council should promote creation of community land trusts to allow people to buy buildings and green spaces in their neighbourhood they value.
- Need to create community land trusts to enable local people to protect what they cherish.
- More important than ever that assumptions the LDP is based on are thoroughly researched and reviewed by experts.
- LDP needs to be focussed, perhaps shorter, and easier to access.
- LDP constraints map designates the trail to the south of the LLanishen and Lisvane Reservoirs as a recreational route and a cycle way. Inconsistent with Objectives 4 and 10 and appendix C of the adopted LDP and the Rights of Way Improvement Plan which shows this as a designated walking route only.
- Concern of core cycle routes crossing through 2 woodlands.
- Could the existing HMRC site in Ty Glas, Llanishen be considered as a possible site for the new Velindre Cancer Centre and avoid the need for development for the Northern Meadows 'greenfield' site.
- The area with which we are concerned includes the Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation 113 Nant Fawr (northern section), 114 Nant Fawr Community Woodlands, 115 Nant Fawr Meadows and 144 Rhyd-y-Pennau Complex. These sites are related to the SSSI 10 Lisvane Reservoir and Site of Importance for Nature Conservation 96 Llanishen reservoir.

We write with respect to two features in the region we specify above: The Strategic Recreation Route (blue solid line) and the Cycleway (dotted green line) in the Nant Fawr Corridor.

The Strategic Recreation Route appears to be the Nant Fawr footpath which we personally know very well. This is a well-used footpath in a semi-rural setting, offering us and many other people calm, refreshment and recreation within an urban area. We trust that this footpath will be retained for the health and wellbeing of everyone. The

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proposed Dwr Cymru Welsh Water Visitor Centre and paths around Llanishen and Lisvane reservoirs will be valuable additions.

The Cycleway however appears to be a new feature which Cardiff Council is proposing for this Development Plan. We are extremely concerned about the effects of a cycleway in this area for nature conservation.

We believe a cycleway here will have a serious effect on nature conservation. We ask you to reroute the cycleway outside the Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation 113, 114, 115 and 144.

- The uplift in the value of all land due to planning needs to be subject to CIL which should be levied on the landowners, not developers.
- Document contains only one reference to agricultural land and few to allotments. Need to protect agricultural land, allotments and large gardens from development and allocate new areas for allotments in RLDP.
- Need to protect the Northern Meadow and reconsider building the hospital. Need to consider brownfield sites to protect this green space.
- Development in Cardiff has the appearance of being developer led.
- The Covid pandemic has changed the way people work and where they do it.
- The design of new housing also needs to be reconsidered.
- The other problem faced by the city centre arises from climate change.
- Buildings should be designed to be low level not high rise.
- Need to compensate for nursery, after school and youth provision lost by redeveloping Howard Gardens.
- The area around City Road and Newport Road needs further greening.
- The new LDP needs to address the HMO issue in Cathays.
- Any future proposals in Cathays should have to demonstrate how they will increase green space.
- Llanedeyrn and Pentwyn well-designed streets offer opportunities for walking and cycling. Green spaces should be used for more fruit trees.
- Pentwyn has no town centre and declining amenities further thought needs to be given to how it could be made a more coherent community with new leisure centre and new shops.

### **Cardiff Council & Levett-Therivel**

# Integrated Sustainability Appraisal of the Cardiff Replacement Local Development Plan: Appraisal of the vision and objectives

August 2021

### 1. Introduction

Integrated sustainability appraisal (ISA) involves assessing how sustainable an emerging plan's vision, objectives, alternatives, draft policies and sites are. This is done by testing them against an 'ISA framework' of sustainability objectives. Where the emerging plan has gaps or possible negative impacts on these ISA objectives, the ISA proposes ways to fill gaps, reduce negative impacts and enhance positive impacts.

Levett-Therivel have appraised the vision and objectives of the emerging Cardiff Replacement Local Development Plan (RLDP) against an ISA framework put forward in an ISA scoping report of March 2020, and updated in August 2021 (shown at Appendix A). Section 2 presents the appraisal. Section 3 presents suggestions for improving the vision and objectives to make them more sustainable, and the Council's response to those suggestions.

Cardiff Council consulted on the vision and objectives of the emerging RLDP for eight weeks, from March 2021. It is this version of the vision and objectives that has been appraised so that the ISA comments can be considered alongside the LDP consultee comments to enable the LDP team to finalise the plans vision and objectives. Due to the iterative nature of the ISA process the updated version of the vision and objectives will be subject to a further appraisal during Preferred Strategy preparation stages.

### 2. Integrated sustainability appraisal of RLDP vision and objectives

Table 1 shows the results of appraising the RLDP vision and objectives against the ISA objectives of Appendix A.

Table 1. Appraisal of RLDP vision and objectives

Key:

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Positive impact	Negative impact	Impact could be positive or negative,	No significant
likely	likely	depending on how the RLDP is implemented	impact likely

	ISA objective											
	·			Biodiversity			>			be	10. Resources	
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	reate a fairer and more sustainable city by:	+		+	+	+	+	+		+		
•	Responding to the urgent future needs for new	·				·	·			·		
	homes, jobs and infrastructure;											
•	Positively tackling the challenges of climate											
	change and post-pandemic recovery;											
•	Creating a greener, more equal and healthier city											
	which is easier to move around and enhances the											
	wellbeing of future generations;											
•	Using a placemaking approach, working with local											
	communities to improve neighbourhoods and											
	deliver high quality design;											
	Looking after our natural, historic and cultural assets											
1. P	rovide MORE homes to address future housing	+		_				+	+/-			
	ds. The Plan will:								,			
•	Provide a range and choice of new homes of											
	different tenure, type and location in response to											
	specific housing needs											
•	Prioritise opportunities for new homes in											
	sustainable brownfield locations											
•	Set targets for the delivery of affordable housing											
•	Provide a diverse mix of housing including											
	responding to the needs of older people and other groups who need specialised housing											
	Set out the approach to the sub-division of											
	existing homes.											
2. P	rovide more jobs and maximise Cardiff's role as			-	+		+		-	-		
	ital City of Wales and economic driver of South											
East	Wales to improve the prosperity of the region.											
The	Plan will:											
•	Ensure a range and choice of employment sites in											
	response to employment needs											
•	Facilitate the development of high-value clusters of specialist sectors											
•	Ensure the protection of existing employment											
	land which contributes to the required supply of											
	sites to meet employment needs											
•	Support the economic recovery of the city post-											
	Covid-19 and respond to the change in work											
	practices through increased working from home											
	and need for new working and meeting hubs											
	throughout the city.											
	nsure the timely provision of new infrastructure		+		+		+	+			+?	
to support future growth. The Plan will:												
	Identify key infrastructure required, how and when it will be delivered including:											
	o Transportation- Different modes, public											
	transport and Metro											
	Affordable, high quality digital infrastructure											
	Social/Community Infrastructure											

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		Schools, health facilities, sport/recreation,											
		waste facilities, burial provision											
		Environmental - Contributions to combat											
		climate change and creating new accessible											
		greenspace											
•	-	port Cardiff's higher education institutions/											
		astructure in recognition of their key role as											
		of a learning city and contribution to											
	-	nomic development											
•		port measures to improve digital connectivity											
		ess the city to meet the demand from											
		eased working from home post covid and											
		itate new working meeting hubs across the											
	city.												
4 P		nd to the climate emergency so Cardiff			+	+			+		+		+
	-	s more resilient, reduces its carbon footprint							·				
		imises opportunities for energy-efficient											
		s. The Plan will:											
•		out how Cardiff can become more resilient											
		adapt to combat the impacts of climate											
		nge including:											
	O	The role of ecosystems in addressing carbon											
	0	storage, natural flood management, air											
		quality, heat islands and noise pollution											
	0	Guidelines for the design of resilient new											
	O	developments											
	0	Managing flood risk											
	0	Facilitate the provision of infrastructure for											
	O	cleaner vehicles											
	Set	out measures to reduce Cardiff's carbon											
		print and mitigate the effects of climate											
		nge through reducing energy demand											
		ige through reducing energy demand											
	0	Locating development in sustainable											
	-	locations to minimise the need to travel and											
		reduce car dependency											
	0	Improve energy efficiency and the											
	-	generation of renewable and low carbon											
1		energy in new developments											
	0	Promoting an increase in tree canopy cover											
	-	across the city											
	0	Promote high quality design and											
	-	environmental performance of new homes.											
5. Make the city easier to move around with a focus				+		+			+			+	
		inable and active travel. The Plan will:	+										
•		out how people can move around the city in a											
		e sustainable and integrated manner with											
		development well located to transport											
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Plan vision/objective	1.	2.	æ.	4	5.	9.	7.	∞.	9.	10	11
Continue the regeneration of land south of the											
regional transport hub											
Ensure centres can operate as flexibly as possible											
where a variety of retail, employment, commercial, community, leisure, health and											
public sector uses come together in a hub of											
activity to make them viable as go-to destinations											
once more by setting out a vision for each centre,											
establishing boundaries and identifying sites for											
redevelopment.											
Promote a new chapter in the regeneration of											
Cardiff Bay as a high density, mixed-use											
destination to identify:  o The provision of supporting sustainable											
transport infrastructure											
Enhancements to the Mount Stuart Square											
area and development of an arena at Atlantic											
Wharf including linkages to the Bay											
Waterfront											
<ul> <li>Future phases for the International Sports</li> </ul>											
Village site  O Regeneration of the Roath Dock/ Roath Basin											
and Alexandra Head areas.											
8. Ensure that the city positively adapts to the new		+		+		+	+				
challenges posed by the implications of the											
pandemic. The Plan will:											
Pick up on lessons learned to ensure that the city											
is more resilient and adaptable in the event of future pandemics											
Support the economic recovery of the city after											
the pandemic has passed and restrictions eased											
Identify wider changes required which also help											
the decarbonisation agenda, tackle climate											
change and improve general health and well-											
being											
Identify any required positive permanent changes											
in places and as part of new development											
<ul> <li>Respond to the change in work practices post- Covid through increased working from home and</li> </ul>											
need for new working and meeting hubs											
throughout the city.											
9. To use a placemaking approach which creates							+	+	+	+	
sustainable places, maximises regeneration											
opportunities, enhances the role of public spaces,											
ensures that future growth can be effectively											
managed and delivers new developments of high quality design. The Plan will:											
Use the placemaking principles as an overarching											
approach in plan-making to ensure:											
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People and Community – The needs, health and											
well-being of all people are considered at the											
outset											
Location - Development is promoted in the most											
sustainable locations and land is efficiently used											
with a 'brownfield first' priority											
Movement - Sustainable and active travel are											
promoted as part of a more integrated movement											
network											
Mix of Uses - Promote high density mixed-use											
development											
Public Realm - Well designed and connected											
public spaces											
Identity - Features of local distinctiveness are											
respected in new development											
High quality design of new development.											
10. Protect and enhance Cardiff's Green and blue			+	+						+/-	+
Infrastructure, its biodiversity and other natural											
assets. The Plan will:											
• Identify and set out how key natural assets of the											
city will be protected and enhanced including:											
<ul> <li>Open spaces, parks and allotments</li> </ul>											
<ul> <li>The strategically important river valleys of the</li> </ul>											
Ely, Taff, Nant fawr and Rhymney											
<ul> <li>The countryside, including strategically</li> </ul>											
important 'green backdrop' formed by the											
ridge north of the City											
<ul> <li>Cardiff's rich biodiversity and wildlife resource</li> </ul>											
including designated sites and other features/											
networks including trees and hedgerows.											
Recognise the wider role that green infrastructure											
can play in contributing to tackling climate change											
and providing healthy environments											
Ensure natural resources are protected including											
mineral and sand/gravel resources and reserves.											
11. Protect and enhance Cardiff's historic and cultural					+	+					
assets together with supporting sustainable tourism											
and cultural sectors. The Plan will:											
Identify and set out how key historic and cultural											
assets of the city will be protected and enhanced											
including:											
The city's Conservation Areas, Listed     Residence Angient Manuscrate, Registered											
Buildings, Ancient Monuments, Registered											
Historic Landscapes and areas of											
archaeological importance											
Other non-designated features which make important contributions to Cardiff's historic											
important contributions to Cardiff's historic and cultural distinctiveness											
Maximise Cardiff's role as an international     tourism destination and best situ of major events.											
tourism destination and host city of major events							l				l

### **APPENDIX 4**

ISA objective Plan vision/objective		1. Equality	2. Air	3. Biodiversity	4. Climate	5. Heritage	6. Economy	7. Health	8. Soils	9. Landscape	10. Resources	11. Water
<ul> <li>Set out how Cardiff's night time economy and music scene can form part of a vibrant and diverse city centre</li> <li>Set out how the Welsh Language can be protected and enhanced in line with relevant legislation.</li> </ul>												

### 3. Suggested modifications to the RLDP vision and objectives

Table 2 shows modifications to the RLDP vision and objectives suggested as a result of the appraisal of Table 1. They include gaps (e.g. young people, reuse/recycling, healthy food, Gypsies and Travellers); ways of reducing negative impacts (e.g. prioritising the use of brownfield land for employment as well as housing sites, focus on achieving environmental targets); and clarifications (e.g. 'Soundscapes', 'Southern Arc'). The final column of Table 2 shows changes to the vision and objectives made by the Council in response to the appraisal. Where no changes has been made, an explanation is given about why.

Table 2. Suggested modifications to the RLDP vision and objectives, and Council response

Vision or objective	Suggested modification	Council response
General	The plan objectives are a somewhat- confusing mixture of doing ('provide', 'ensure', 'reduce') and preparing/planning to do ('investigate', 'set out an approach', 'set out how'). Do they need to be more consistent, one way or another (e.g. all doing)?	As the plan is at an early stage no preferred approach has been determined for some aspects of the plan. For these issues, the objectives are to 'investigate' etc. Where a preferred approach is known, it is stated in the objectives.
	Refer to environmental targets/standards: climate change objectives, achievement of air and water quality standards, biodiversity net gain.	Objective 4 changed to refer to One Planet Cardiff and Objective 6 changed to refer to air and water quality standards. The correct reference in the Welsh context is biodiversity enhancement as referenced in objective 10 and no further changes are therefore required.
Vision	Third bullet point: A "healthier city which is easier to move around" could encourage car-based travel. Better to stress accessibility rather than mobility, e.g. 15 minute neighbourhood approach.	Agree.
Objective 1	Bullet points 1 and 4 seem to duplicate each other.  Add reference to Gypsies and	Agree bullet points 1 and 4 merged.  Reference to Gypsies and Travellers added.
Objective 2	Travellers.  Objective 1 includes reference to prioritising brownfield land for housing, but Objective 2 does not do this for employment land.	Add "Prioritise opportunities for new employment sites in sustainable brownfield locations".
Objective 3	The list of infrastructure does not include water, wastewater and energy.	Water, wastewater and energy added.
Objective 4	Include reference to the One Planet Cardiff Strategy.	Include "in line with the One Planet Cardiff Strategy to become a carbon neutral city by 2030." Remove "reduces its carbon footprint" as this is covered by the above.
	Bullet point 2, sub-bullet point 2 limits improvements in energy efficiency etc.	Reference to new developments removed.

Vision or objective	Suggested modification	Council response
	to new developments. Widen this to all developments.	
Objective 5	"Capitalise on national and regional investment in sustainable transport infrastructure including the Metro" sounds odd. Reword to emphasise linking new development to sustainable transport infrastructure rather than capitalising on investment.	Agree amend to read "Integrate new development with national and regional investment in sustainable transport infrastructure including the Metro".
Objective 6	Refer to access to healthy food.  Given the Welsh Government emphasis on future generations, refer to young people.	Add "and access to healthy food" after tackle obesity in bullet point 1.  Add "To support strong and cohesive communities which recognises Cardiff's commitment to make Cardiff a Child Friendly City and Age Friendly City".
	Refer to reuse and recycling. Remove reference to Southern Arc of deprivation. Access to Welsh Medium education sounds like it would fit better under Objective 11 on culture.	Reuse and recycling added.  Replace with "communities in the Southern Arc".  The point of the objective is to provide equality of access to Welsh Medium education, i.e. emphasis is on access so this point should remain under Objective 6.
	Clarify what Soundscapes are.	Replaced with "Promote the role of natural and hard infrastructure to reduce noise pollution".
Objective 7	Last bullet point: "to identify" doesn't fit with subsequent bullet points.	Agree amended to "with". Also for clarity amend second bullet to "Maximise the potential for high density mixed use development related to the sustainable regional transport hub at Central Square".
Objective 9	Include reference to dealing with need (e.g. for accessible food, green areas) or redressing imbalances.	As set out above, objective 6 amended to add reference to access to healthy food and issue relating to green areas is already covered in objective 6 where reference is made to promoting the role of greenspaces in delivering wellbeing benefits.
Objective 10	Refer to achievement of biodiversity net gain.	The objective is worded correctly in the Welsh context as it refers to biodiversity enhancement.

Appendix A. ISA framework (from ISA scoping report of March 2020, updated in August 2021)

ISA objective	Sub Objectives: Will the vision/objective/alternative/policy
Help deliver equality of opportunity and access fall	facilities  • Address existing imbalances of inequality, deprivation and exclusion
2. Maintain an improve air quality	
3. Protect and enhance biodiversity flora and fauna	<ul> <li>Maintain and achieve favourable condition of international and national sites of nature conservation importance (SACs, SPAs and SSSIs)</li> </ul>
4 Reduce emissions of greenhouse gases and adapt to the effects of climate char	<ul> <li>Support energy conservation and energy efficient design</li> <li>Promote renewable energy generation</li> <li>Promote efficient land use patterns that minimise the need to travel</li> <li>Promote sustainable modes of transport and integrated transport systems</li> <li>Reduce vulnerability of the built environment to the effects of climate change</li> </ul>
5. Protect and enhance historic and cultural heritage, including the Welsh Language	<ul> <li>Protect and enhance historic and cultural assets including scheduled ancient monuments, listed buildings, historic parks and gardens, historic landscapes and conservation areas</li> <li>Encourage access to the historic and cultural heritage</li> <li>Support local character and distinctiveness through good design</li> </ul>
6. Help deliver the growth of a sustainable and diversifi economy	<ul> <li>Support and enhance the role of Cardiff as a key economic driver of South</li> <li>East Wales city region</li> </ul>

### **APPENDIX 4**

ISA objective	Sub Objectives: Will the vision/objective/alternative/policy
7. Improve hea	·
8. Use soils and minerals efficiently at safeguard the quality	<ul> <li>Re-use derelict and other previously developed land</li> <li>Remediate contaminated and unstable land</li> <li>Safeguard soil quality including the best and most versatile agricultural</li> </ul>
9. Protect and enhance the landscape	<ul> <li>Protect and enhance the landscape including the countryside, areas of landscape value, river valleys, greenspaces and the undeveloped coastline</li> <li>Protect and enhance Cardiff's Special Landscape Areas</li> <li>Promote high quality design in keeping with its landscape context</li> <li>Increase access to open space</li> </ul>
10. Minimise resource use and waste, increase read and recyclin	materials  • Promote waste reduction, re-use, recycling and recovery
11. Maintain an enhance wa quality and resources, a manage flooding	<ul> <li>Improve the water quality of rivers, lakes, groundwaters and coastal areas</li> <li>Ensure that a precautionary approach is applied, and that the location and</li> </ul>



# Appendix 5: Engagement Plan for Strategic Options and Sites Consultation

### Introduction

The next stage in the preparation of the Replacement LDP is consultation on strategic options, which will commence in late November 2021 and run for 10 weeks until early February 2022.

This consultation plan sets out the consultation and engagement we will undertake as part of this next stage under the following headings:

### 1. Use of Social Media

We will use the Council's Facebook, Twitter and Instagram sites to publicise and explain the consultation process, with a comprehensive and targeted campaign of posts over the 10 week consultation period using the agreed LDP Branding.

### 2. On-line Survey

We will develop an accessible on-line survey so residents and stakeholders can make their comments on the consultation easily on-line. This will be hosted on the Council's Replacement LDP website and will be publicised via the social media campaign and mail out to residents and stakeholders on the LDP consultation database.

### 3. Virtual Consultation Room

We will host a fully bi-lingual virtual consultation room on the Council's Replacement LDP webpage, which will include a short film explaining the consultation process and how people can engage in the process, a range of display panels, the on-line survey and copies of the consultation documentation.

### 4. Launch Event

We will host a launch event at the start of the consultation period. This will be a virtual event and will explain the consultation process and how you can get involved and will be open to residents and stakeholders to attend.

### 5. A Broad Range of themed Focus Workshops

We will engage directly with stakeholders through a broad range of themed focus workshops and we will work with partner organisations to support these sessions to foster open discussion of issues participants consider the new LDP should address. The themed workshops we proposing are listed below but this is not exhaustive and we are happy to consider further suggestions:

- Focus Workshop 1 Representatives of Black and Minority Ethnic Groups
- Focus Workshop 2 Representative of Homeless Groups and those on Council Waiting Lists
- Focus Workshop 2 Representatives of Environmental Groups

- Focus Workshop 3 Representatives of Young Peoples Groups
- Focus Workshop 4- Representatives of Older Peoples Groups
- Focus Workshop 5 Representatives of unemployed Groups
- Focus Workshop 6 Representatives of disabled and Access Groups
- Focus Workshop 7 Representatives of Landowner/developer Groups
- Other Groups to be confirmed such as the Cardiff Music Board, Landlord's Forum, Heritage and Civic Societies

These workshops will be held virtually or via a hybrid approach depending on Covid restrictions at the time of the consultation.

### 6. Public drop in face to face events

A series of public drop in face to face events will be arranged across the city so residents and stakeholders have an opportunity to talk through the consultation exercise with Officers face to face within the LDP Team. The precise format of these events will depend on the Covid restrictions in place at the time of the consultation. However, steps will be made to ensure the ability to talk direct with Officers be this either in an outside location, pre-arranged appointment system or an indoor drop in event.

### 7. Engagement with stakeholder groups and networks

Officers will be available to attend meetings of stakeholder groups and networks to brief them on the consultation process and how they can comment and gather feedback to feed into the new LDP preparation process.

### 8. Engagement with Community Councils

Prior to the launch of the consultation a virtual briefing session will be held with Community Council's to explain the purpose of the consultation and how they and their local areas can get involved in the process and how they can disseminate information to their local area. Following this Officers in the LDP Team will be available to respond to any queries and provide further information.

### 9. Engagement with Members

Prior to the launch of the consultation a virtual Member briefing session will be held to explain the purpose of the consultation and how they and constituents can get involved in the process and how they can disseminate information to their local area. Following this Officers in the LDP Team will be available to respond to any queries and provide further information.

### 10. Scrutiny Process

Prior to the launch of the consultation a process will be agreed with the Chairs of the Scrutiny Committee's to ensure they can feed their comments into the consultation process.

# Replacement LDP Pre-Decision Scrutiny September 2021





- Statutory requirement
- Sets out policies and proposals for use of land within city and provides a framework to assess planning applications against
- Current LDP adopted in 2016 Page 360
  - Requirement to review LDP every 4 years
  - Council agreed with Welsh Government a 3.5 year timetable for review of the LDP in March 2021
  - Preparation of Replacement LDP launched in May 2021







# Consultation

- First stage in consultation process
- Feedback sought on draft Vision & Objectives & ISA Scoping Report
- 11 draft Objectives responding to issues
- Page 361 Statutory requirement to appraise potential impacts of LDP through ISA
- ISA 'All in one' approach— All assessments in one bundle







### **Consultation Process**

- Measures identified to reach wider audience through user friendly approach
- New bespoke Rep LDP website
- LDP branding- Bespoke, linked to One Planet/Active travel style
- Page 362 User friendly online survey - future of the city
  - Short film, Virtual Consultation Room
  - Use of Social Media
  - Virtual launch events with Members, Community Councils and Public
  - LDP Team available to respond to queries provide more information







## **Consultation Results**

Headline results from on-line survey based on 1,215 responses:

- Support for lower levels of housing growth
- Strong preference for use of brownfield sites
- Improved access to green space identified as top priority for improving health and wellbeing
- Creating 15 minute neighbourhoods, access to green space and active travel top 3 approaches in responding to the pandemic
- Provision of community facilities, reducing crime and providing good cycling routes identified as top 3 priorities for improving neighbourhoods
- For the Vision, Tackling climate change, healthier environments, and protecting green infrastructure were ranked top 3 in order of importance







# September Cabinet Report

- Recommendation for Council to approve Replacement LDP Vision and **Objectives and ISA Scoping Report:**
- Appendix 1: Revised Vision and Objectives taking into account comments received
- Appendix 2: ISA Scoping Report taking into account comments received
- Page 364 Appendix 3: Summary of consultation and engagement findings
  - Appendix 4: Summary of ISA of LDP Vision and Objectives
  - Appendix 5: Engagement Plan for next stage of consultation on strategic options







# **LDP timetable: Next Steps**

March 2021	The Council and Welsh Government agree the Delivery Agreement
WE ARE HERE	Consultation on draft vision/issues/objectives & draft Integrated Sustainability Appraisal and Call for Candidate Sites
Nov 2021 - Feb 2022	Consultation on strategic Options
Oct 2022	Consultation on Preferred Strategy
Oct 2023	Consultation on Deposit Plan
March 2024	Submission for Examination
March - Sept 2024	Examination
Sept 2024	Inspectors Report
Oct 2024	Adoption by Council





# **Targeted Consultation/Engagement Approach**

• Next consultation stage on "strategic options" in autumn

(subject to restrictions)

- Additional targeted consultation/engagement through:
  - Range of themed Focus Workshops
  - Public drop in face to face events
  - > Engagement with stakeholder groups and networks







- Produced by WG and a starting point for LPAs to use in preparing LDPs
- Adopted LDP projections project a population of 403,000 in 2026 & latest WG projections project a population of 373,000 in 2026
- Caution must be exercised when making comparisons as projections are based on past trends and therefore inherently uncertain Page

Downward trend due to lower fertility rates, increased mortality, less rapid increases in life expectancy and net loss through internal migration

- Evidence base work in progress on reviewing these latest WG projections and identifying options for levels of housing need for the replacement LDP
- Consultation on these options planned for autumn 2021





















