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International Sports
Village Masterplan and
the Proposed Relocation
of Cardiff's Velodrome

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Background

In March 2021, Cabinet approved plans to provide a new purpose-built Velodrome at the International Sports Village subject to the completion of a full business case.

A comprehensive programme of engagement and consultation with primary stakeholders of the velodrome facility and the sports community commenced in order to ensure the technical design of the new facility was fit for purpose and that there was opportunity to benefit from the development of a modern specification.

This programme of engagement continues with a broad range of stakeholders to cover the provision and operation of the new facility and the sports village as a whole.

The redevelopment of Cathays High School went out for public consultation in early 2021. This consultation identified that the area currently featuring the Maindy Velodrome will be required to accommodate the school expansion.

This final consultation is designed to bridge the two projects and seek views not only on the relocation of the existing Velodrome, but also on the plans for the development of the new velodrome and the wider sports village vision.

Methodology

The survey was run online between 15^{th} December 2021 and 17^{th} February 2022. Links to the survey were promoted via the Council's social media, and on the Council's website. Links to the survey were sent directly to a number of organisations, with a full list of these available in <u>Appendix 1</u>.

Once the survey closed, the data was cleaned to remove blank or duplicate responses.

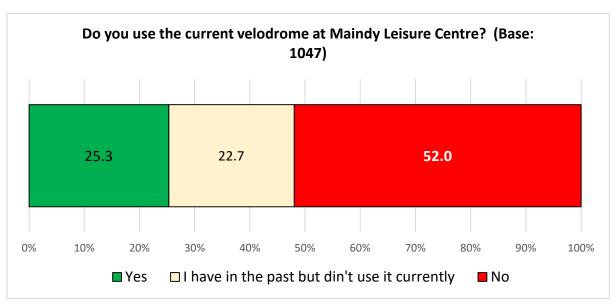
After this data validation, 1,051 responses were received.

Results have been broken down by demographics to understand usage and attitudes by the different groups. Postcode data, where available, was used to determine the distance between the respondents' home location and the Maindy site, giving results "as the crow flies" rather than distance travelled by road. Results for these groups are not show if the base size is too small to provide robust data.

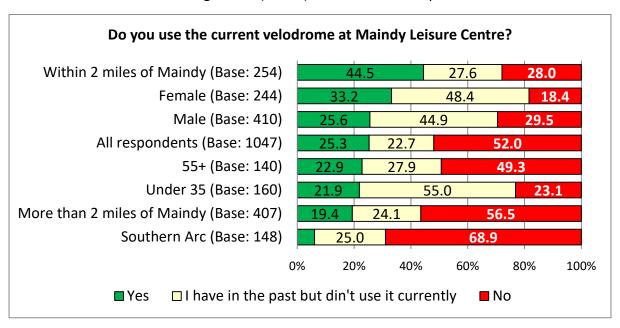
Research Findings

1. Do you use the current velodrome at Maindy Leisure Centre?

Overall, around a quarter of respondents (25.3%) stated that they currently used the velodrome at the Maindy Leisure Centre, slightly fewer had used it in the past (22.7%), and just over half (52.0%) had never used it.



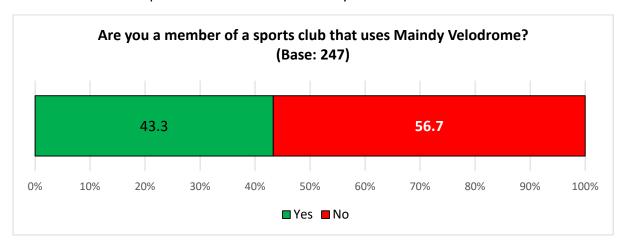
Respondents living within 2 miles of Maindy were most likely to be users of the current velodrome (44.5%, compared with 19.4% who lived further than this from the site). More than half of those under the age of 35 (55.0%) had used it in the past.



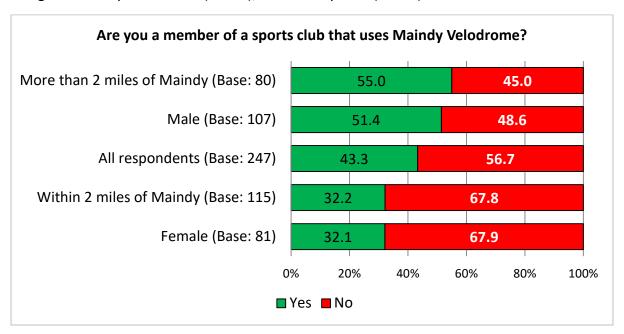
Respondents who currently use the velodrome were invited to answer questions 2-8, those who did not were taken to question 9.

2. Are you a member of a sports club that uses Maindy Velodrome?

Just over two-fifths of respondents (43.3%) of those currently using the Maindy Velodrome were members of a sports club that uses the facility.



Respondents living more than 2 miles from the site were most likely to belong to a club using the Maindy Velodrome (55.0%), followed by men (51.4%).



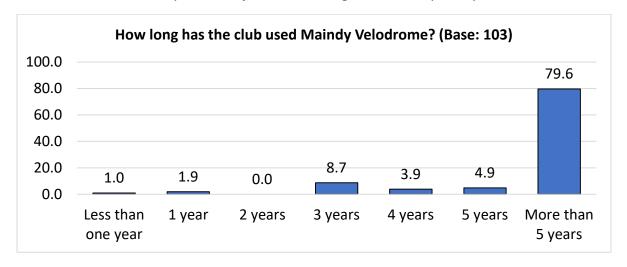
Which club?

Respondents who reported being a member of a sports club were asked to identify their club; 55 responses were received, with Maindy Flyers the most common response:

Club	No
Maindy Flyers	19
Cardiff Ajax CC	9
Cardiff Junior Triathlon Club	5
Whitchurch Cycling Club	5
Cardiff Social Cycling	4
Cardiff Triathletes	3
Cardiff Uni	3
Misc.	7

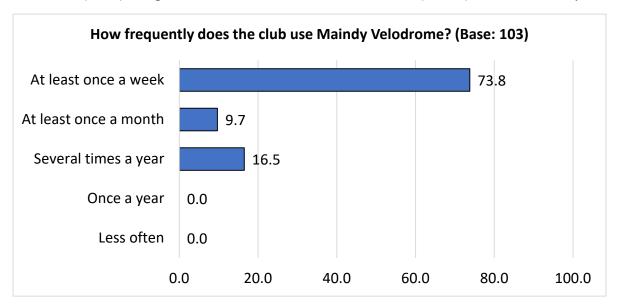
How long has the club used Maindy Velodrome?

Four-fifths of club members (79.6%) reported their club had been using the Maindy Velodrome for more than five years, with around one in six (17.5%) having used it for between three and five years, and just 2.9% having used it for up to a year.

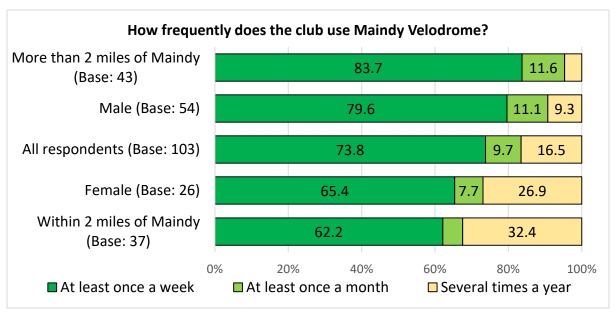


How frequently does the club use Maindy Velodrome?

Just under three-quarters of club members used the club at least once a week (73.8%), with one in ten (9.7%) using it at least once a month, and one in six (16.5%) several times a year.



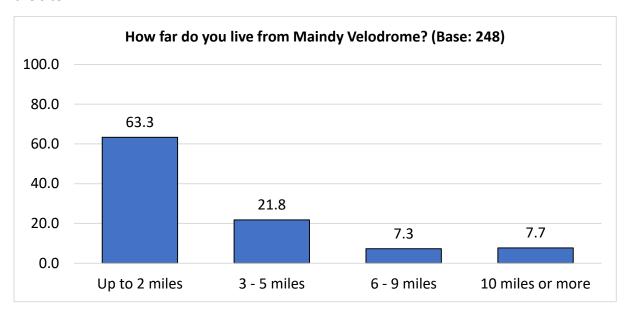
Respondents living more than two miles from the site were most likely to use the site at least once a week, perhaps reflecting the increased club membership amongst this group.



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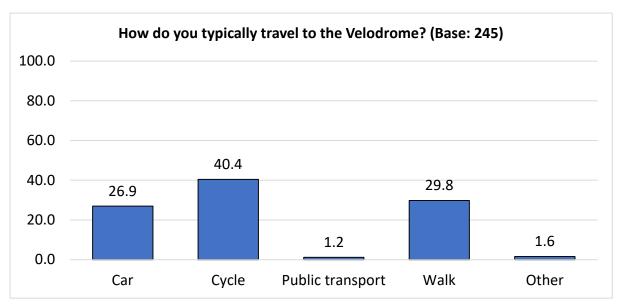
3. How far do you live from Maindy Velodrome?

Almost two-thirds (63.3%) of current users of the Maindy Velodrome reported living up to two miles from the site, with a fifth (21.8%) living between three and five miles away, and around one in thirteen living either six to nine miles (7.3%) or at least ten miles (7.7%) from the site.



4. How do you typically travel to the Velodrome?

Most current users cycled (40.4%) or walked (29.8%) to the velodrome, with a quarter (26.9%) using a car.



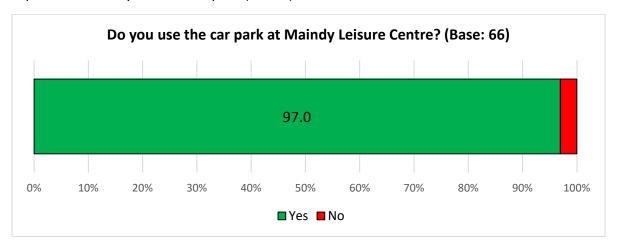
5. How much do you spend each month to use the velodrome at Maindy?

Three in ten respondents (30.2%) didn't spend anything to use the velodrome, with a similar proportion (29.0%) spending up to £10 a month. Around one in six (15.9%) spent between £11 and £20 per month, with a quarter (24.9%) spending £20 or more.

	No.	%
£0	74	30.2
£1 - £10	71	29.0
£11 - £20	39	15.9
£20+	61	24.9
Total Respondents	245	100.0

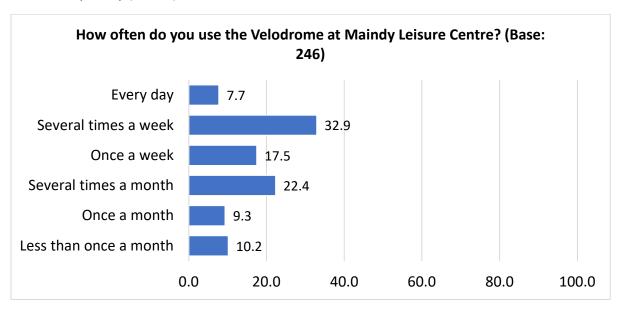
Do you use the car park at Maindy Leisure Centre?

Almost all of those currently travelling to the velodrome at the Maindy Leisure Centre by car reported that they use the car park (97.0%).

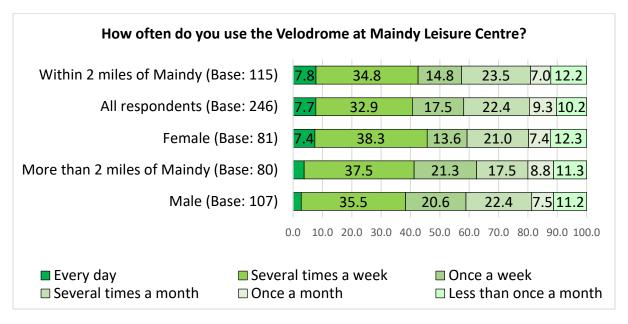


6. How often do you use the Velodrome at Maindy Leisure Centre?

Amongst current users of the velodrome (not just those using the facility as a member of a sports club), over half (58.1%) used the facility at least once a week, with one in thirteen (7.7%) using it every day. Around a fifth (22.4%) used the velodrome several times a month, or less frequently (19.5%).

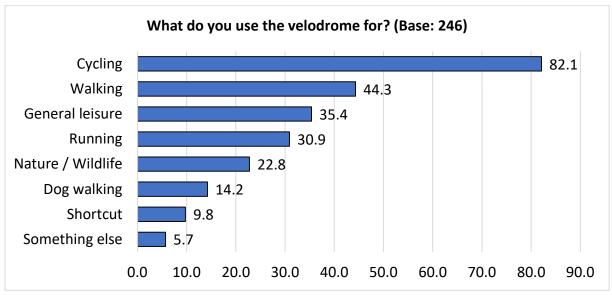


Respondents living within two miles of Maindy were more than twice as likely as those living further away to use the velodrome every day (7.8% compared with 3.8% respectively.



7. What do you use the velodrome for?

Respondents currently using the velodrome were asked what they used it for. Four in five respondents (82.1%) used it for cycling, with half this proportion using it for walking (44.4%) and just over a third (35.4%) using the site for 'general leisure'.



N.B. Percentages do not total 100% as respondents could select multiple options

Other reasons given for using the velodrome included:

- Accompanying child to cycle training sessions
- Triathlon training
- A safe space to be outside and get fresh air during winter, because as a woman Bute Park is not safe
- Sitting on the bench and relaxing- As it is quiet, it is nice to escape from the busyness and people
- Kids football pitches

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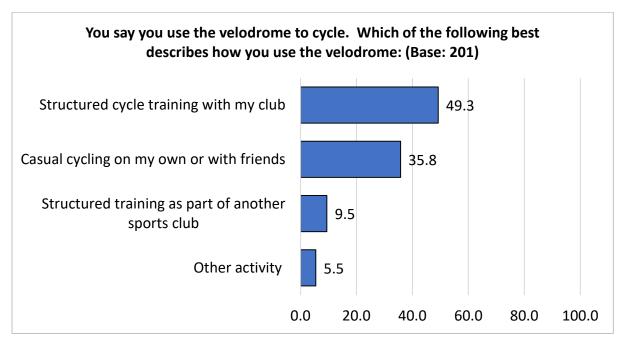
Respondents living more than two miles from the Maindy site were most likely to use the velodrome for cycling (92.5%); those living within two miles were more likely than other demographic or geographic groups to use the site for walking (62.6%), 'general leisure' (48.7%) and nature/wildlife (30.4%).

Women were more likely than other groups analysed to use the site for dog walking (24.7%) or as a shortcut (13.6%)

	All			Children in	Within 2 miles of	More than 2 miles of
	respondents	Female	Male	household	Maindy	Maindy
Base	246	81	107	122	115	80
Cycling	82.1	77.8	86.9	87.7	76.5	92.5
Walking	44.3	58.0	39.3	44.3	62.6	28.8
Dog walking	14.2	24.7	<i>7.5</i>	13.9	17.4	11.3
Running	30.9	42.0	26.2	32.0	40.9	20.0
General leisure	35.4	46.9	29.0	<i>35.2</i>	48.7	22.5
Shortcut	9.8	13.6	6.5	8.2	12.2	7.5
Nature / Wildlife	22.8	27.2	21.5	21.3	30.4	17.5
Something else	<i>5.7</i>	6.2	4.7	4.1	7.0	3.8

8. You say you use the velodrome to cycle. Which of the following best describes how you use the velodrome:

Respondents reporting that they used the velodrome to cycle were asked to give further details on how they used the site. Half (49.3%) used the velodrome for structured training with their club, with around a third (35.8%) using it for casual cycling.



Other uses given for the velodrome included:

- Walking circuits of the outer velodrome jogging track.
- Occasional leisure cycling on the track
- A safe route to cycle when clubs not using it
- Cycle Racing
- Women's session
- my children use it to learn to cycle and build up their confidence in a safe space and environment
- Kids learn to ride club
- Cycling classes for my daughter
- Both casual cycling with friends and structured individual sessions (e.g. FTP tests and bunch sprints that can't be done on roads safely)

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Respondents living more than two miles of the site were most likely to use it for structured training, either with their own (60.8%) or another club (10.8%).

Those living within two miles were most likely to use the site for casual cycling (47.4%) or other activities (8.0%).

Men were more likely to use the site for structured cycling, women were more likely to use it for casual cycling or other activities.

%			Within 2 miles of	More than 2 miles of
	Female	Male	Maindy	Maindy
Base	63	93	88	74
Structured cycle training with my club	44.4	53.8	37.5	60.8
Casual cycling on my own or with friends	44.4	31.2	47.7	25.7
Structured training as part of another sports club	4.8	9.7	6.8	10.8
Other activity	6.3	5.4	8.0	2.7

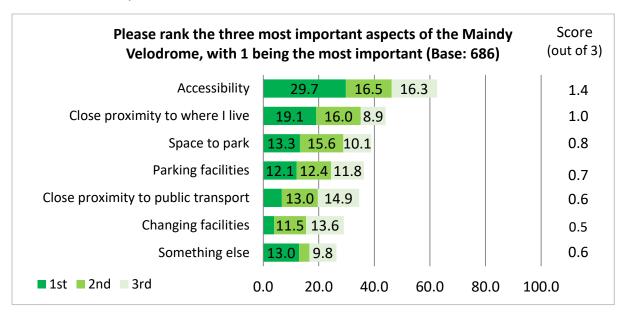
All respondents were asked the following questions:

9. Please rank the three most important aspects of the Maindy Velodrome, with 1 being the most important

Respondents were given a list of aspects of the Maindy Velodrome, and asked to rank these in order of importance, with an option to add another aspect that wasn't listed. Scores were generated based on the number of votes for first, second or third place votes, or those not ranking each aspect in their top three priorities, giving a total score out of a maximum of three.

Accessibility was ranked as the most important aspect of the Maindy Velodrome, with a score of 1.4, and ranked first by 29.7% of respondents.

The second most important aspect was 'close proximity to where I live', scoring one out of three, and ranked first by 19.1% of respondents, followed by 'space to park', scoring 0.8, and ranked first by 13.3%.



Those answering 'Something else' were asked to give further details; 85 comments were received, and grouped into themes. The top three are show below, with a full list available in <u>Appendix 2</u>.

Theme	No.	%	Example comments
Condition of Track	19	22.4	 A nice smooth track, free of litter and with enough security to stop it being ruined! The magic formula - minimal banking, large track, true all-weather surface, high capacity, local to students and those of varying socioeconomic backgrounds. The Quality of the facility / it is first class

Suitable for all users	17	20.0	 Size of the track and ability for it to be used by kids as young as 5 years old on both road and track bikes. Shallow gradient suitable for all levels of experience It's a good starter velodrome, so good for children, less-abled.
Proximity / Good Transport Links / Parking	15	17.6	 Not having to circumnavigate town to get there. Location, location, location! central location within cycling [not driving] distance of much of city, unlike cardiff bay
Total	85	-	

Looking at the results by demographic and geographic groups showed, whilst there was a broad consistency of opinion, there were some differences in priorities – 'close proximity to where I live' was of higher importance to those living within two miles of Maindy (scoring 1.3, with 28% ranking this as most important), whilst parking issues were less important (with both 'parking facilities' and 'space to park' scoring 0.5 out of three).

Those living more than two miles from the site placed higher importance on parking facilities than those living in closer proximity to the site, with 'space to park' scoring one out of three, and 'parking facilities' scoring 0.9.

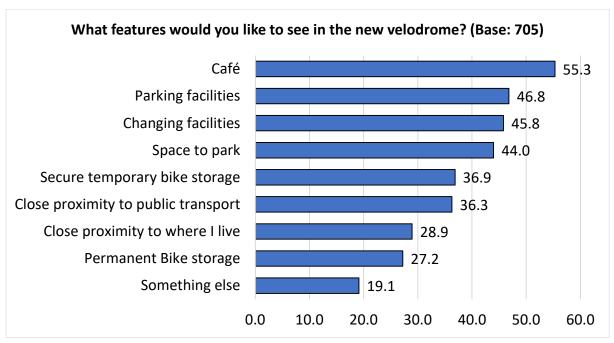
Score	All			Under	Over
	respondents	Females	Males	35's	55's
Base	686	227	384	139	127
Accessibility	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.5
Close proximity to where I live	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.8
Space to park	0.8	0.6	0.9	0.9	0.9
Parking facilities	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7
Close proximity to public transport	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8
Changing facilities	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.4
Something else	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3

Score			Within 2	More than
	Children in	Southern	miles of	2 miles of
	household	Arc	Maindy	Maindy
Base	287	135	243	346
Accessibility	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.3
Close proximity to where I live	1.1	0.6	1.3	0.8
Space to park	0.8	0.7	0.5	1.0
Parking facilities	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.9
Close proximity to public transport	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.6
Changing facilities	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.5
Something else	0.7	0.3	0.8	0.4

10. What features would you like to see in the new velodrome?

Respondents were then given a list of features that might be available in a new velodrome, and asked which they would like to see, including an option to suggest something not on the list of features provided.

Over half (55.3%) wanted a café, followed by parking facilities (46.8%), changing facilities (45.8%) and space to park (44.0%).



N.B. Percentages do not total 100% as respondents could select multiple options

Respondents answering 'Something else' were invited to give further details; 122 responses were received, and grouped into themes. The top three are show below, with a full list in Appendix 3.

Theme	No.	%	Example comments
Remains at Maindy / Like current facility	22	18.0	 I would like to see it as an additional facility rather than a replacement That it is complementary to, and NOT a replacement of Maindy Velodrome we have a perfectly good velodrome which doesn't need to be demolished
Against the proposal	21	17.2	 Don't need new one! I don't want to see a new velodrome as there isn't anything wrong with the one we already have in cardiff I'd rather the development didn't go ahead

Accessibility /	13	10.7	- Accessibility!
Inclusiveness concerns			 Being somewhere different than all other sports facilities in Cardiff, therefore serving all Cardiff residents equally. Suitable and accessible to all users in the same way that Maindy currently is.
Total	122	-	

Looking at these results by demographic and geographic groups shows some differences of opinion – more than half of respondents aged 55 and over (53.2%), those living more than two miles from Maindy (52.6%) and women (51.5%) wanted to see parking facilities in the new velodrome. This was lowest amongst those within two miles of Maindy (36.4%).

More than half of those living more than two miles from Maindy also expressed interest in 'space to park' (51.2%)

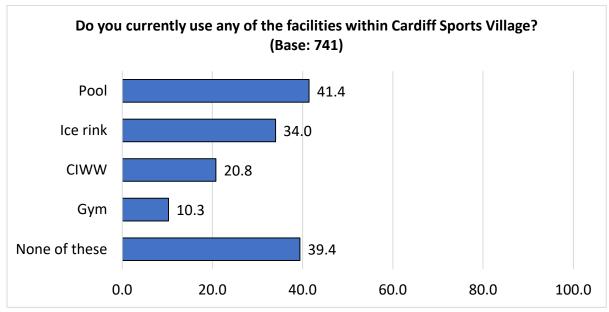
Those living within two miles of Maindy were twice as likely as those further out to want to see 'close proximity to where I live' for the new velodrome (41.7% compared with 20.5%).

	All	Under			
	respondents	35	55+	Female	Male
Base	705	152	126	227	384
Café	55.3	54.6	53.2	50.7	59.9
Parking facilities	46.8	40.8	53.2	51.5	45.8
Changing facilities	45.8	49.3	40.5	38.3	50.0
Space to park	44.0	42.1	43.7	40.5	45.8
Secure temporary bike storage	36.9	42.1	34.1	27.8	43.2
Close proximity to public transport	36.3	39.5	39.7	34.8	37.2
Close proximity to where I live	28.9	28.9	21.4	30.8	27.9
Permanent Bike storage	27.2	32.9	21.4	22.0	30.7
Something else	19.1	13.8	19.8	20.7	16.7

			Within 2	More than
	Children in	Southern	miles of	2 miles of
	household	Arc	Maindy	Maindy
Base	287	135	242	371
Café	56.4	58.5	47.5	59.0
Parking facilities	46.3	43.7	36.4	52.6
Changing facilities	44.9	57.8	42.6	48.2
Space to park	45.3	38.5	30.6	51.2
Secure temporary bike storage	33.4	46.7	36.0	37.7
Close proximity to public transport	28.2	45.2	37.2	35.6
Close proximity to where I live	33.4	13.3	41.7	20.5
Permanent Bike storage	25.1	40.7	22.7	29.6
Something else	20.9	14.1	26.9	14.3

11. Do you currently use any of the facilities within Cardiff Sports Village?

Overall, 60.6% of respondents currently used at least one of the facilities in the Cardiff Sports Village, with the pool most commonly used (41.4%), followed by the ice rink (34.0%).



N.B. Percentages do not total 100% as respondents could select multiple options

Respondents living in the Southern Arc of the city were most likely to use the pool (53.1%), the gym (17.2%) and the CIWW (24.1%).

Men were more likely to use at least one of the facilities in the Sports Village than women (63.5% compared with 58.3% respectively); respondents under the age of 35 were more likely than those aged 55 or over (67.7% compared with 58.3% respectively).

Over two thirds of those living more than two miles from Maindy (68.3%) currently used at least one of the facilities in the Cardiff Sports village, compared with fewer than half (47.2%) of those living within two miles of Maindy.

	Under 35	55+	Female	Male	Southern Arc	Children in household	Within 2 miles of Maindy	More than 2 miles of Maindy
Base	158	135	240	406	145	301	252	398
Pool	41.8	31.1	39.2	44.8	53.1	50.2	34.9	46.2
Gym	15.2	4.4	6.3	12.3	17.2	5.3	6.3	12.3
CIWW	19.0	13.3	19.6	22.4	24.1	23.9	18.3	22.9
Ice rink	39.9	28.9	36.3	33.7	37.9	32.9	21.4	40.5
None of these	32.3	51.1	41.7	36.5	26.9	37.9	52.8	31.7

12. How often do you typically use these facilities?

Of those using the facilities in the Sports Village, a fifth (19.8%) used the ice rink at least once a week, compared with 13.1% using the gym and 12.7% using the pool.

	Pool		Gym		CIWW		Ice Rink	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
At least once a week	69	12.7	55	13.1	10	2.2	102	19.8
At least once a month	74	13.6	13	3.1	28	6.2	44	8.5
Less often	225	41.4	55	13.1	155	34.3	138	26.8
Never	175	32.2	298	70.8	259	57.3	231	44.9
Total	543	100	421	100	452	100	515	100

Younger respondents were more likely than those aged 55 or over to use these facilities at least once a week; those living more than two miles from Maindy were more likely than those living within two miles of Maindy to use these facilities with this frequency.

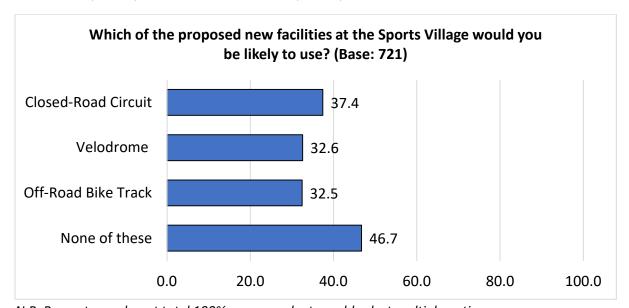
Men were more likely to use the gym at least once a week than women, who in turn were more likely than men to use the ice rink at least once a week.

	Under 35	55+	Female	Male	Southern Arc	Children in household	Within 2 miles of Maindy	More than 2 miles of Maindy
Pool	15.0	9.4	14.0	13.2	17.4	14.0	7.3	17.3
Gym	16.7	7.7	10.1	14.9	26.1	8.1	2.6	3.1
CIWW	1.8	1.4	2.9	2.3	2.1	2.1	4.8	7.3
Ice rink	24.2	23.3	25.6	18.3	19.4	15.3	3.0	9.9

13. Which of the proposed new facilities at the Sports Village would you be likely to use?

Respondents were given a list of facilities proposed for the Sports Village, and asked to indicate which they would be likely to use.

Just over half (53.3%) indicated they would use at least one of these, with the closed-road circuit most likely to be used (37.4%), with similar levels of interest expressed for the velodrome (32.6%) and off-road bike track (32.5%).



N.B. Percentages do not total 100% as respondents could select multiple options

Men were more likely than women to express an interest in using at least one of the proposed new facilities (63.5% compared with 38.4%); respondents under the age of 35 were more likely than those aged 55 or over (63.1% compared with 36.1%).

	Under 35	55+	Female	Male	Children in Household	Southern Arc	Within 2 miles of Maindy	More than 2 miles of Maindy
Base	157	133	237	400	296	143	244	395
Closed-Road	43.9	23.3	25.7	45.0	40.5	44.8	31.6	41.5
Circuit								
Velodrome	<i>35.7</i>	21.1	23.6	39.3	40.5	30.8	28.3	35.9
Off-Road	33.1	24.8	24.9	38.5	38.9	39.2	28.3	34.9
Bike Track								
None of these	36.9	63.9	61.6	36.5	40.5	37.8	54.5	42.3

14. Are there any other facilities you would like to see in the International Sports Village?

Respondents were invited to suggest any other facilities they would like to see in the International Sports Village; 280 responses were received, and grouped into themes. The top three are shown below, with a full list in <u>Appendix 4</u>.

Theme	No.	%	Example comments
Snow / Ski Sports	53	18.9	 Snow sports facility Ski Centre snow dome for winter sports An indoor ski slope would be a big draw, but of course, you know that?
Transport links / More Parking	37	13.2	 Better transport links - it is shocking how difficult it is to get there!!!!! More parking Parking. Please don't say use public transport. We travel from Newport to use the rink as a family. Public transport is not a safe or viable option on a cold, wet winter night at 10pm when travelling as an all-female household The Bay is a pain to get to from the North of Cardiff. So easier access
Multi-use Indoor Sport Facilities	35	12.5	 Sports hall - badminton/tennis courts etc Indoor tennis courts for public use. An indoor all sports area that can be accessed whatever the weather
Total	280	-	-

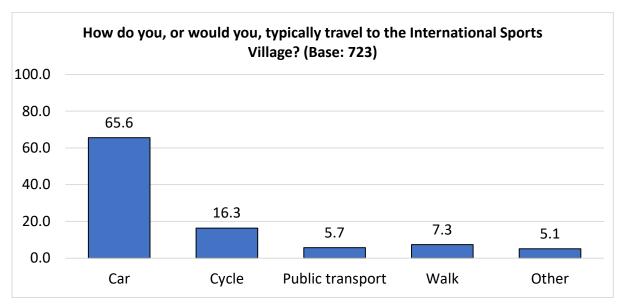
Why are you interested in this facility?

Respondents were asked why they would be interested in their chosen facility – three comments were received:

- For a more enhanced training experience.
- Because its near to a dual carriageway.
- I am not interested in the proposed facility at all. Does it provide me with an accessible and relatively safe space to engage in physical activity after dark? No, I am interested in having a space where I can exercise away from the road, surrounded by nature, in a well-lit place your new facility does not offer me any of that. It does not meet any of my needs, but it meets the financial needs of the council's pet project.

15. How do you, or would you, typically travel to the International Sports Village?

Around two-thirds of respondents (65.6%) typically travel, or would travel, to the International Sports Village by car, with one in six cycling (16.3%) and 7.3% walking.



Women (77.2%) and those with children in the household (76.5%) were most likely to indicate use of a car to get to the Sports Village, contrasting with those living in the Southern Arc (45.9%).

Amongst respondents indicating they would be most likely to cycle to the Sports Village, figures were highest for those living in the Southern Arc (28.1%), men (22.0%) and those living within two miles of Maindy (21.1%).

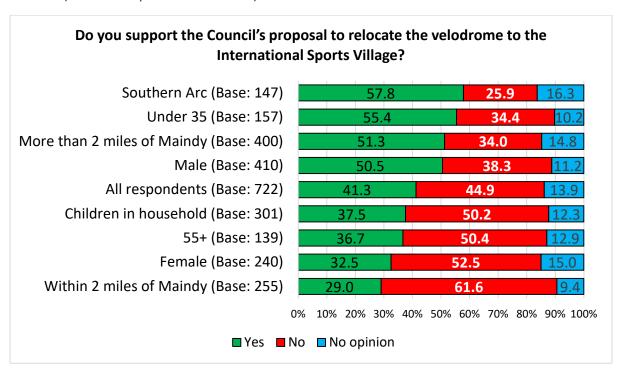
	Under 35	55+	Female	Male	Children in household	Southern Arc	Within 2 miles of Maindy	More than 2 miles of Maindy
Base	158	134	237	404	298	146	247	394
Car	59.5	66.4	77.2	57.9	76.5	45.9	62.8	66.2
Cycle	19.0	14.9	8.0	22.0	14.4	28.1	21.1	14.5
Public transport	8.2	7.5	4.2	6.2	1.7	8.2	6.9	5.6
Walk	10.1	6.0	<i>5.9</i>	9.4	2.3	17.8	2.8	10.7
Other	3.2	5.2	4.6	4.5	5.0	0.0	6.5	3.0

16. Do you support the Council's proposal to relocate the velodrome to the International Sports Village?

Overall, 41.3% of respondents supported the Council's proposal to relocate the velodrome to the International Sports Village, with 44.9% against this, and 13.9% offering no opinion.

Looking at results by demographic and geographic groups, support for the proposal was lowest amongst those living within two miles of Maindy (29.0% supporting the proposal, and 61.6% against), and highest amongst those living in the Southern Arc of the city (57.8% supporting, 25.9% against).

Respondents under the age of 35 were more likely to support the proposals than those aged 55 or over (55.4% compared with 36.7%); men showed a higher level of support than women (50.5% compared with 32.5%).



Why do you support this proposal?

Respondents answering that they supported the proposal to relocate the velodrome to the International Sports Village were invited to explain why: 184 responses were received, and grouped into themes. The top three are shown below, with a full list in Appendix 5.

Theme	No.	%	Example comments
New & Modern Facilities	76	41.3	 A modern velodrome is long overdue A new facility with dedicated cycling facilities e.g. changing, inside space for spectators is a betterment to the existing facility. Whilst a worse location for me, it's a better location for the S Wales cycling community and there's some advantage to locating some of Cardiff's sports facilities in the same place. A new, modern cycling centre and an upgraded school. No brainer. Be great for cycling in Cardiff Far nicer location, a new velodrome will bring it more in line with expectations and more modern. Better condition than the current velodrome which is aging
Improved Location / Cycling Provisions	57	31.0	 Better location Creates more of a destination for my family, will probably use facilities more. It's closer to where I live The access will be better
Dedicated Sports Village with Access to All	45	24.5	 It would concentrate sport into one location, and would make that part of the bay nicer to visit. Makes sense to centralise sports facilities Put the sports things together
Total	184	-	-

Why don't you support this proposal?

Respondents answering that they opposed the proposal to relocate the velodrome to the International Sports Village were invited to explain why: 176 responses were received, and grouped into themes. The top three are shown below, with a full list in <u>Appendix 6</u>.

Transport / Location / Parking / Size of Venue 105 59.7 - I think the current velodrome is fit for purpose and at the heart of Cardiff where it is needed and easily accessible for locals. - Keep Maindy for the thousands of families that don't want to drive through traffic to get to the bay. Many 100s of children learn to ride there, hardly any would go to the bay. It's awful to take this facility away. - Traffic congestion in that area backs up to M4 and into Cardiff town - massive effect on the environment - not enough parking for vehicles as public park on pavements all around that area when ice hockey is on. - I like the velodrome where it is. The new one is too far away, will be both too small and too hard for non-professionals. It's a terrible thing to take away a beloved facility and give it to richer people on the other side of town and then pretend you're doing us a favour. Negative Impact: Environmental / Heritage / Increased Traffic Traffic 57 32.4 - It deprives people in the area where it is currently situated. Also its contrary to the city's green policy by making residents use their cars - Destroying yet another part of Cardiff's history - I am against the concentration of amenities away from the people who use them. It will result in longer car journeys. Do not remove current Velodrome 47 26.7 - Leave the Maindy cycle track where it is. - It doesn't need to be moved from its current position. - There is no need to relocate. The sports Village will be too far to travel to.				
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Total 176		47	26.7	 It doesn't need to be moved from its current position. There is no need to relocate. The sports Village
	Total	176	-	-

17. Do you have any other comments about these proposals?

Theme	No.	%	Example comments
Parking Concerns	79	22.6	 With so many facilities at the sports village there will be a dire lack of parking spaces Proposed parking facilities are too low to support such a large number of sporting facilities that people travel considerable distances to use. There seems to be no improvements in car parking. It as an absolute nightmare during Cardiff devils matches now Already no parking, this would make it worse
Generally against the proposals	46	13.1	 The current track is good and could have been redeveloped alongside the school. No need to move it. Don't spoil it to save pennies Ridiculous proposal Please reconsider.
Generally in favour of the proposals	40	11.4	 It would bring more tourism to Cardiff and mean we could hold the commonwealth games in the future. Fully support these plans, excellent addition to the area to encourage improved health and fitness activity This is an opportunity to ensure all cycling disciples are recognised. Bring together all disciplines under one "roof" and develop the next generation of cyclists. The opportunity for the leisure cyclist is also huge. Offering safe off-road cycling on a road circuit. Forward thinking, should be applauded more publicly.
Total	350	-	

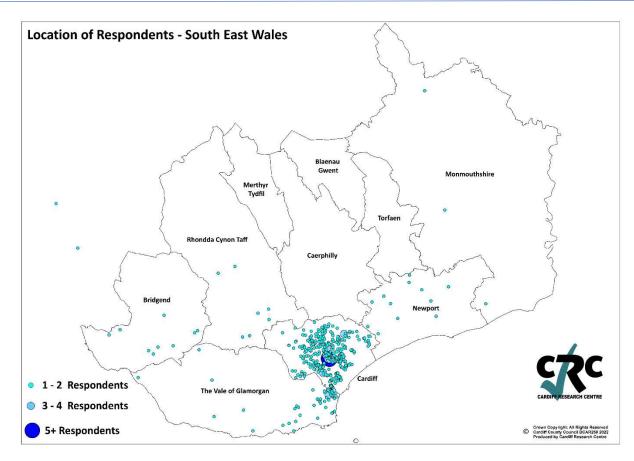
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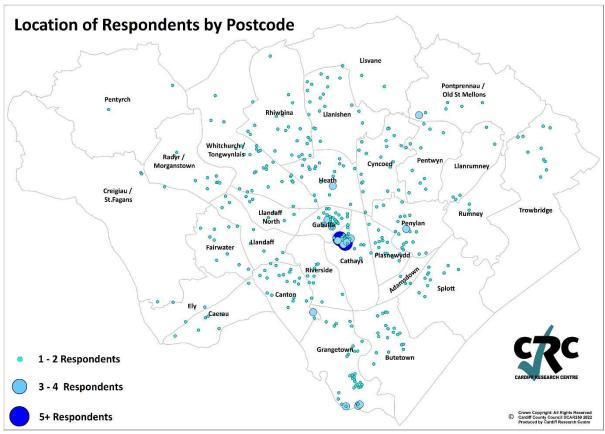
Please provide your full postcode.

Respondents were asked to provide their postcode, to allow analysis of usage and attitudes by area. A total of 564 complete postcodes were received, of which 459 were within Cardiff. A further 94 were from elsewhere in South East Wales, and the remaining 11 postcodes from elsewhere in the UK.

Area	No.	%
Cardiff	459	81.4
Vale of Glamorgan	50	8.9
Newport	12	2.1
Bridgend	9	1.6
Rhondda Cynon Taf	7	1.2
Caerphilly	6	1.1
Monmouthshire	4	0.7
Neath Port Talbot	3	0.5
Powys	2	0.4
Blaenau Gwent	1	0.2
Carmarthenshire	1	0.2
East Dunbartonshire	1	0.2
Exeter	1	0.2
Fleet	1	0.2
Kidderminster	1	0.2
Lydney	1	0.2
Malmesbury	1	0.2
Merthyr Tydfil	1	0.2
Pembrokeshire	1	0.2
Swindon	1	0.2
Torfaen	1	0.2
Total	564	100.0

Postcodes in South East Wales, and in Cardiff are shown on the following maps:





What was your age on your last birthday?

	No.	%
Under 16	8	1.1
16-24	31	4.4
25-34	121	17.3
35-44	195	27.9
45-54	188	26.9
55-64	99	14.1
65-74	30	4.3
75+	11	1.6
Prefer not to say	17	2.4
Total Respondents	700	100.0

Are you...?

	No.	%
Female	244	35.2
Male	412	59.4
Other	2	0.3
Prefer not to say	36	5.2
Total Respondents	694	100.0

Do you identify as Trans?

	No.	%
Yes / Prefer to self-describe	3	0.4
No	627	91.7
Prefer not to say	54	7.9
Total Respondents	684	100.0

Do any children live in your household?

	No.	%
No children	378	55.5
Yes, under 5 years old (pre-school)	66	9.7
Yes, aged 5 - 11 (primary school)	155	22.8
Yes, aged 11 - 16 (secondary school)	134	19.7
Yes, aged 16 - 18 in full-time education, or working	47	6.9
Yes, aged 16 - 18 but not in full time education or working	4	0.6
Total Respondents	681	-

Which of the following best describes what you are doing at present?

	No.	%
Working full time (30+ hours per week)	511	73.7
Working part time (less than 30 hours per week)	71	10.2
Wholly retired from work	44	6.3
In full time education	23	3.3
Permanently sick or disabled person	11	1.6
Looking after home	6	0.9
Caring for a child or adult	4	0.6
Unemployed - Unregistered but seeking work	4	0.6
On a zero hour contract	4	0.6
Other	15	2.2
Total Respondents	693	100.0

Do you identify as a disabled person?

	No.	%
Yes	36	5.2
No	611	88.9
Prefer not to say	40	5.8
Total Respondents	687	100.0

Please tick any of the following that apply to you:

	No.	%
Long-standing illness or health condition	60	8.7
(e.g. cancer, diabetes, or asthma)		
Mobility impairment	23	3.3
Mental health difficulties	29	4.2
Deaf/ Deafened/ Hard of hearing	19	2.8
Visual impairment	7	1.0
Learning impairment/ difficulties	4	0.6
Wheelchair user	2	0.3
Other	8	1.2
Prefer not to say	43	6.3
Total Respondents	687	-

N.B. Percentages do not total 100% as respondents could select multiple options

Do you consider yourself to be Welsh?

	No.	%
Yes	454	66.5
No	229	33.5
Total Respondents	683	100.0

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What is your ethnic group?

Where the term 'British' is used, this refers to any of the four home nations of Wales, England, Northern Ireland and Scotland, or any combination of these.

	No	%
White - Welsh/English/Scottish/Northern Irish/British	602	88.7
White - Any other white background	24	3.5
Asian/Asian Welsh/British	10	1.5
Mixed/Multiple Ethnic Groups	9	1.3
Any other ethnic group (please specify)	3	0.4
Prefer not to say	31	4.6
Total Respondents	679	100.0

Appendix 1 – Organisations invited to take part in the consultation

Welsh Cycling (to circulate to all club secretaries)

Welsh Triathlon (to share with clubs)

Welsh Athletics (to share with their clubs)

British Cycling

Maindy Flyers CC

Cardiff Ajax CC

Rowe and King

Cardiff Junior Triathlon

WDDAC

Independent commercial coaching companies

British Cycling affiliated race event officials and commissaires

Appendix 2 – Most Important Aspects of the Maindy Velodrome ('Something Else')

Theme	No.	%	Example comments
Condition of Track	19	22.4	 A nice smooth track, free of litter and with enough security to stop it being ruined! The magic formula - minimal banking, large track, true all-weather surface, high capacity, local to students and those of varying socioeconomic backgrounds. The Quality of the facility / it is first class
Suitable for all users	17	20.0	 Size of the track and ability for it to be used by kids as young as 5 years old on both road and track bikes. Shallow gradient suitable for all levels of experience It's a good starter velodrome, so good for children, less-abled.
Proximity / Good Transport Links / Parking	15	17.6	 Not having to circumnavigate town to get there. Location, location, location! central location within cycling [not driving] distance of much of city, unlike cardiff bay
Green Space / Surroundings	13	15.3	 Green open space in a very built-up area It's green open space is a dense urban area. That's important in itself.
Heritage / History	12	14.1	 Historical public access and use of site given to the public Historical significance
Triathlon Club / Multi-use	10	11.8	 For triathlon club, the ability to run, cycle and swim at the same venue Range of uses outside of just track bikes
Value for money / Free facilities	9	10.6	 Good value for money and great for beginners Affordability & you can use your own normal bike
Good Facilities	4	4.7	- Quality of the facility
Safety	4	4.7	- Safe facility
Doesn't agree with proposals	3	3.5	- Home to Maindy flyers

Misc.	6	7.1	Design of the existing velodromeNoise generated to local residentsI don't want a velodrome.
Total	85	-	

Appendix 3 – What Features Would You Like to See in the New Velodrome?

Theme	No.	%	Example comments
Remains at Maindy / Like current facility	22	18.0	 I would like to see it as an additional facility rather than a replacement That it is complementary to, and NOT a replacement of Maindy Velodrome we have a perfectly good velodrome which doesn't need to be demolished
Against the proposal	21	17.2	 Don't need new one! I don't want to see a new velodrome as there isn't anything wrong with the one we already have in cardiff I'd rather the development didn't go ahead
Accessibility / Inclusiveness concerns	13	10.7	 Accessibility! Being somewhere different than all other sports facilities in Cardiff, therefore serving all Cardiff residents equally. Suitable and accessible to all users in the same way that Maindy currently is.
Improved Cycling Infrastructure / Transport / Parking	9	7.4	 Connecting cycle infrastructure to the site and beyond Cycle access - so everyone doesn't drive everywhere Dedicated public transport which prioritises active travel above all other forms of transport.
Improved Facilities for Locals / spectators	7	5.7	 At least the same facilities for Maindy Flyers as current track. Competitions with spectator facilities
Inclusive / Low Cost / Free	6	4.9	- Fair pricing- Low cost for Cardiff residents to use
Specific track requirements	6	4.9	 400-500m track with low banking angle, perfect to bring the next generation of youth cyclist into the sport, that can be used by those of all ages and ability on a variety of bike types. A high quality build, made to last
Triathlon Club / Multi-use	5	4.1	Adaptability for other sportsTrack for running and cycling
Snow dome / Ski slope	5	4.1	- A SNOW DOME!!!

			 A snow dome as was previously mooted, really couldn't care less about a velodrome
Keep Old and build New	4	3.3	- I would like to see it as an additional facility rather than a replacement
Green Space	4	3.3	- Trees, plants, flowers
Suitable for all ages / users	3	2.5	- A velodrome usable by all ages and abilities
Misc.	9	7.4	 Covered workshop area Actual engagement with the surrounding community so the 'features' are reflective of the community. The above list is incredibly curtailed and I am not clear how this has been arrived at That it is delivered along with the closed circuit before Maindy closes. New smaller velodrome alone is not an adequate replacement for Maindy Velodrome and would be a backwards step for cycling provision in the city. Would be track bike focused which is only a small element of what Maindy Velodrome is used for.
Total	122	-	

Appendix 4 – Are there any other facilities you would like to see in the International Sports Village?

Theme	No.	%	Example comments
Snow / Ski Sports	53	18.9	 Snow sports facility Ski Centre snow dome for winter sports An indoor ski slope would be a big draw, but of course, you know that?
Transport links / More Parking	37	13.2	 Better transport links - it is shocking how difficult it is to get there!!!!! More parking Parking. Please don't say use public transport. We travel from Newport to use the rink as a family. Public transport is not a safe or viable option on a cold, wet winter night at 10pm when travelling as an all-female household The Bay is a pain to get to from the North of Cardiff. So easier access
Multi-use Indoor Sport Facilities	35	12.5	 Sports hall - badminton/tennis courts etc Indoor tennis courts for public use. An indoor all sports area that can be accessed whatever the weather
Outdoor Sport Facilities	30	10.7	 Running track, five-a-side/hockey pitches outdoor pool, roller blade, ski slope open water swimming- a lido
Retail / Office / Bars / Restaurants / Meeting Space / Picnic Areas	17	6.1	 Improved public space. More hospitality venues. Cafe, bars and restaurants.
Improved Cycling Infrastructure	12	4.3	 A joined-up loop around the bay for leisure cycling and running Improved integration of paths and cycleways. The new velodrome should provide a heart to the area which has been much improved but remained half-finished for a long time
Racket Sports	12	4.3	 Tennis courts, badminton courts, 5 a side pitch, utilise the space for more sports Paddle, tennis and squash courts
Remains at Maindy / Like current facility	11	3.9	- Do not move from Maindy

			 Not a replacement for Maindy, leave that where it is.
Skate Park / BMX	9	3.2	Why not also put the BMX track there or at least nearby?Skate board, BMX
Disagrees with proposals	9	3.2	 I'd like to see the whole unwanted vanity project demolished and turned into a nature reserve No, I do not wish the plan to go ahead, local facilities work better for residents, ALWAYS have
Running Track	8	2.9	A dedicated running loop 1/2km longRunning track for jogging
Football & Rugby Pitches	6	2.1	- 4G Rugby Pitch- Multi-use sports areas, such as full size rugby/football pitches
Pool / Indoor Surfing / Water sports	5	1.8	Water sportsIndoor surfing/canoeing capabilities
Misc.	17	6.1	 Any facilities that are self-financing and do not cause the removal of facilities from elsewhere in the city. Ideally facilities that would attract international sports competition to justify the "International" title. A 333m outdoor velodrome will not attract international competition that is more appropriate to the indoor facilities in Newport Defibrillator Secure bike parking
Total	280	-	-

Appendix 5 – Why Do You Support This Proposal?

Theme	No.	%	Example comments
New & Modern Facilities	76	41.3	 A modern velodrome is long overdue A new facility with dedicated cycling facilities e.g. changing, inside space for spectators is a betterment to the existing facility. Whilst a worse location for me, it's a better location for the S Wales cycling community and there's some advantage to locating some of Cardiff's sports facilities in the same place. A new, modern cycling centre and an upgraded school. No brainer. Be great for cycling in Cardiff Far nicer location, a new velodrome will bring it more in line with expectations and more modern. Better condition than the current velodrome which is aging
Improved Location / Cycling Provisions	57	31.0	 Better location Creates more of a destination for my family, will probably use facilities more. It's closer to where I live The access will be better
Dedicated Sports Village with Access to All	45	24.5	 It would concentrate sport into one location, and would make that part of the bay nicer to visit. Makes sense to centralise sports facilities Put the sports things together
Improves Tourism / Reputation of the City	27	14.7	 It will bring more people to the Bay, boost tourism and hospitality industry. Because it increases the reputation of the International Sports Village The current facility is hidden away. This proposal will bring it into the heart of the city and celebrate the sport.
School Plans are Important	14	7.6	 Because the school upgrades are more important than keeping the track where it is Cathays High School needs improved facilities. It seems this is the best way to provide it. It's the correct combination of providing new educational facility at Maindy and

			continuing with the commitment of the velodrome to develop the enjoyment and success of cycling in Wales
Accessibility: Provide More Parking / Public Transport	11	6.0	 Better access to people from the Vale. I do in principle but there needs to be good cycle routes to the CISV. Because currently the cycle routes in Cardiff are shockingly bad Good for the city and development however parking should be considered
Misc.	11	6.0	Why not!It just makes senseSports plays an integral role for healthy lifestyle and wellbeing
Total	184	-	-

Appendix 6 – Why Don't You Support This Proposal?

Theme	No.	%	Example comments
Transport / Location / Parking / Size of Venue	105	59.7	 I think the current velodrome is fit for purpose and at the heart of Cardiff where it is needed and easily accessible for locals. Keep Maindy for the thousands of families that don't want to drive through traffic to get to the bay. Many 100s of children learn to ride there, hardly any would go to the bay. It's awful to take this facility away. Traffic congestion in that area backs up to M4 and into Cardiff town - massive effect on the environment - not enough parking for vehicles as public park on pavements all around that area when ice hockey is on. I like the velodrome where it is. The new one is too far away, will be both too small and too hard for non-professionals. It's a terrible thing to take away a beloved facility and give it to richer people on the other side of town and then pretend you're doing us a favour.
Negative Impact: Environmental / Heritage / Increased Traffic Do not remove current	57 47	32.4 26.7	 It deprives people in the area where it is currently situated. Also its contrary to the city's green policy by making residents use their cars Destroying yet another part of Cardiff's history I am against the concentration of amenities away from the people who use them. It will result in longer car journeys. Leave the Maindy cycle track where it is.
Velodrome			 It doesn't need to be moved from its current position. There is no need to relocate. The sports Village will be too far to travel to.
Does not benefit local community / Not required	36	20.5	 At a time when services across Cardiff are struggling, investing in an expensive new development to primarily benefit upper

		middle class wealthy cyclists is a poor use of money. - Maindy velodrome is well used, and sports facilities should be spread out across the city, not concentrated in one place. - It will exclude local people from using the facilities. This is only happening so that you can expand Cathay's High School
33	18.8	 Waste of money Waste of taxpayers money, the existing one created a Tour winner Waste of money. Cardiff council cannot get the fundamentals right. Money needed elsewhere.
18	10.2	 Newport has a velodrome, I think the sports Village should create other sporting activity opportunities There is one already in Newport!! Don't need another one
15	8.5	 The proposed velodrome in the ISV is not a like for like replacement. The new track is smaller and will have steeper banking so will not be as inclusive for younger or inexperienced riders. Iconic velodrome with history of success at Maindy. Banking angle at Maindy (18degrees) and size of track facilitates a multipurpose cycling facility which is accessible to a range of abilities, ages and disabilities. Reduced velodrome size will reduce session capacity and reduce accessibility to the sport.
10	5.7	 I don't have total confidence that the velodrome and closed road circuit will be built and we need both. Council not to run it no idea who the operator is or when the proposed new building would be finished
9	5.1	 The Maindy facility is great and we have a track in Newport too. The fact that this is being g done with education funding is scandalous Misappropriation of Education Budget funds and very weak business plan
	15	18 <i>10.2</i> 15 <i>8.5</i> 10 <i>5.7</i>

Prefers Ski Centre / Snowdome	4	2.3	 Would like to see skiing available, as cycling can be done on the roads, via the newly built cycle routes This city is far too heavy on promoting cycling. Build the snow dome, that's something we don't have and was announced as planned for the sports Village.
Misc.	7	4.0	 You can't even pick up our refuse in a timely manner - please get your priorities straight Its taking away a local leisure place for a school that is not needed for this area. Nothing I would attend and I don't know anyone that would.
Total	176	-	-

Appendix 7 – Do you have any other comments about these proposals?

Theme	No.	%	Example comments
Parking Concerns	79	22.6	 With so many facilities at the sports village there will be a dire lack of parking spaces Proposed parking facilities are too low to support such a large number of sporting facilities that people travel considerable distances to use. There seems to be no improvements in car parking. It as an absolute nightmare during Cardiff devils matches now Already no parking, this would make it worse
Generally against the proposals	46	13.1	 The current track is good and could have been redeveloped alongside the school. No need to move it. Don't spoil it to save pennies Ridiculous proposal Please reconsider.
Generally in favour of the proposals	40	11.4	 It would bring more tourism to Cardiff and mean we could hold the commonwealth games in the future. Fully support these plans, excellent addition to the area to encourage improved health and fitness activity This is an opportunity to ensure all cycling disciples are recognised. Bring together all disciplines under one "roof" and develop the next generation of cyclists. The opportunity for the leisure cyclist is also huge. Offering safe off-road cycling on a road circuit. Forward thinking, should be applauded more publicly.
Accessibility / Inclusiveness	29	8.3	 Basic services for all - not posh facilities for a few sporty people Please make the village accessible through public transport. The fact that this part of the bay is not accessible by train Is terrible Please ensure all cycling clubs get EQUAL access to facilities for a very reasonable rate
Concerns around finances	27	7.7	 This money would be better spent cutting business rates, supporting care if the elderly and on affordable housing

			 Ridiculous waste of money and yet again Cardiff destroying heritage and a much-valued green space. Please stop spending public money on these projects. There are much more pressing needs.
More Research / Consultation Needed	25	7.1	 Ask The Velodrome users about what they want. Ensure all of Cardiff's, and local sports clubs and organisations are fully consulted before plans are finalised. We have 1 chance to get this right Need to talk with clubs
Concerns around History / Heritage of current site	20	5.7	 If you take down this venue, you will be removing a piece of history from Cardiff. The place where Nicole Cooke, Geraint Thomas, Luke Rowe, Owain Doule and many other great cyclists cut their teeth. No to mention the historic Empire Games. I thought Cardiff Council had put the days of the Empire pool behind them, but if you go ahead, you will be making the same mistakes all over. This should not be a replacement for the existing Maindy velodrome. It is a part of Wales's cycling history, as well as a centrepiece of the local community Don't destroy history just to expand a school across a main road.
Public Transport Concerns	20	5.7	 Transport links to the ISV are shocking better public transport links - ? Train station The problem with the sports village is its location. Hardly accessible by any other means than by car
Keep Maindy Velodrome & Build New Velodrome	19	5.4	 No need to close existing facilities at Maindy, they could co-exist The track at Maindy is already there, why not simply have both tracks
Improved Cycling Infrastructure	18	5.1	 Increase the bike infrastructure around the ISV, by making protected intersections The Ely Trail must be surfaced as part of the wider transport access as we would often cycle to the new track if the Ely Trail had a surface suitable for commuting or road bikes and the cycle paths to Cardiff Bay finished!
Concerns around new facility	14	4.0	- The main priority is to ensure that excellent cycling facilities are available that are at least equal to, if not better, than those at Maindy. Any design of a new facility must be suitable for the current users of Maindy and not be a

Traffic / Congestion Concerns	14		performance velodrome that cannot be used by the youngest riders, must be suitable for road bikes and in all weathers. Velodrome without the closed road circuit is not a suitable replacement for Maindy The banking on the new velodrome might be too steep for young children. Roads are already busy there, in the bay. Wouldn't a city-wide sports policy be better than
			all the eggs going in one place basket. - Why do all the facilities have to be in the bay which is difficult for the majority of people in St. Mellons and Ely to reach - at least an hour if you are lucky by expensive public transport
Concerns around survey / questions	14		 Why is the survey all based around the velodrome? Where has the expansion to the ice facilities and additional car park that were in the original master plan gone? Why bother with this survey, you've clearly already made the decision?
Concerns around location	12		 If the track moves to the Sports Village, more people will have to drive there as it is located on the edge of the city. My child is currently able to walk or cycle to the existing venue. This is a ridiculously stupid place to locate a velodrome, leave it in Maindy, where people can actually get to it
School Comments	12		 The high school could expand upwards. Why need so much space? Leave the more inclusive Maindy velodrome as it is and rethink the Cathays high school plan
Ensure new track is completed before closing existing track	10		 Build the new before knocking down the old this must be built before Maindy is decommissioned
Snowdome / Dry Ski Slope	9		 Please build a ski slope. There is not one this end of the UK Has the snow dome finally been abandoned?
Retail / Office / Bars / Restaurants /	4	1.1	- Hoping to have better transport links in the area and to see the whole site developed, which
Meeting Space			includes retail space, bars, restaurants, etc.

		 Can't understand why so much emphasis is placed on cycling and cyclists when this area of Cardiff needs other sports None that I can print
Total	350	-