



Melwood Resident Consultation: Design Feedback

By Phone and Online 23rd March 2021 – 7th May 2021

Residents received updated material on the designs of the Melwood development in the format of online videos or a leaflet, if videos were not accessible. The information shared outlined two design proposals, depending on the possibility of the retention of the facilities of Melwood LFC Training Ground. Each design principle was explained in detail as to how Torus plans to meet these with the design plans proposed. In addition, information about research and solutions to recurrent themes of drainage and traffic were addressed in the videos and printed information.

From this an online consultation was made available to the public to answer from seeing the updated designs. The questions asked aimed to capture the thoughts that local residents had on the designs set out by Torus and if they thought these designs met the design principles laid out. **82** respondents answered the online survey. People also had the option to book a telephone call to complete the survey if they could not access it online.





UNDERSTANDING THIS REPORT



This report covers the survey questions and reports on each, including both the quantitative and qualitative results given.

We have drawn together themes that emerged and grouped the comments using these under each question heading. We have used a traffic light system to represent the tone of the comments.

GREEN – a positive comment in relation to the theme

ORANGE – an observation, neutral/or mixed comment or question

RED – a negative comment in relation to the theme

There were a number of comments made in answer to each question that didn't directly relate to the question, and these have been placed in a final section - General Comments – along with comments made at the start or end of the interview/survey

Finally, a number of questions were posed by respondents and some of these relate to specific matters with their boundary wall or another confidential matter. Questions have been removed from the report and will be responded to by the team either directly or publicly depending upon the sensitivity of the question.



OVERVIEW OF FEEDBACK



- 51.2% believe the features and facilities they consider important are being retained in the proposals shown in the videos.
- 78.8% said retention of the main building including small swimming pool, gym, changing, dining area and kitchen, plus 5 a side pitch was important to them.
- In terms of the mix of housing, whilst 30% of people felt the housing mix shown was not right and scored it zero, a similar number scored this with an 8, 9 or 10. In drilling down into this, it is apparent that those scoring this zero had also made comments about not wanting to see any housing at all on the site.
- Those that did not feel the proposed layouts sit well with the existing streets and nearby homes made comments such as:

“I would prefer to see less straight line "Rat Runs" on the plans and more community neighbourhoods in the form of cul-de-sac's”

“No 3 storey buildings”

“No housing which will bring with it more cars on already busy roads, more pressure on already over subscribed schools and health facilities”

- This was a frequent theme in comments

“Less houses being built” – again this was frequently repeated

- When asked about what characteristics of Melwood that are important to people that they didn't feel were highlighted strongly enough some of the comments included:

“The space at the moment is a large green space and that should be maintained” - This was the question that generated lots of *“no houses”* comments.

Other comments were about retaining community use of the sports facilities for health and wellbeing of the community.

Whilst some commented *“Whole site should be retained as park and sport facilities”*, this was at odds with others concerns about the risk of noise and antisocial behaviour from such density of sports and open space.



OVERVIEW OF FEEDBACK



- Respondents listed the proposed environmental features in the following order of priority:
 - 1 – Sustainable Drainage Systems
 - 2 – Open Spaces & Street Trees
 - 3 – Pedestrian Friendly Streets
 - 4 – Low Carbon Design
 - 5 – Post Covid Home Design
- They listed the open space features in the following order of priority:
 - 1 – Green Spaces around the edge of the development
 - 2 – A Central Green Space
 - 3 – A Hard-Surfaced Public Square next to the Extra Care Building (with 73.75% placing this last)
- The retention of the building was the biggest priority, followed by retention of sports use, creation of green space and finally the right mix of housing (with 61.25% of respondents placing this last)



OVERVIEW OF FEEDBACK



- 57.5% didn't feel the balance of open space is right in the proposals shown and their main comments were:
"no houses and a total health, wellbeing and green spaces focus" – a comment that summed up lots of others which mentioned one or all three of these options.

Whilst most of these sections were used for people to reiterate the 'no houses' mantra, a small few also made comments on the type of open space they would like to see, including:

"More garden designs and possible small water feature"

"Reduce the number of homes to increase the green space"

"Reduce the number of part ownership homes and create more retirement properties"

- Some comments from the initial open question inviting feedback on the proposals shown include:
"there is no mention of how or where all the new residents will access services such as schools and doctors , the facilities in the area are already massively oversubscribed ???" – comments about schools and doctors were repeated frequently
"I have seen the new plans, my opinion hasn't changed since the first consultation. There are far too many houses. We are already an overpopulated area, over subscribed schools, unable to get doctors appointments. This is aside from the traffic congestion and flooding in the area. Torus should be bold and take a different direction and create something of benefit for the current community and not adding to it. I've seen the times article stating Steven Gerard's interest, you should look to work with him to benefit all."
"I think the plans look good - personally I think the outdoor spaces would be more beneficial to the community. Instead of the indoor football pitch."
"The plans look good"



OVERVIEW OF FEEDBACK



“Seems to be a lot of houses for the amount of space” – this was repeated a lot in various phrasing and with reference to the original 160

“The presentations look professional and hopefully Torus will deliver on its themed community approach and it not be lost when the project is completed.”

“All looks really good and positive.”

“It all looks and sounds very positive (great pitch). However, I feel that the final look and layout will not reflect the plans on the video.”

“Brilliant, exceeds what I imagined, addresses all my concerns”

“Absolutely fantastic, love design 1, meets all my expectations of what modern housing proposal for community focussed living should look like.. Well done”

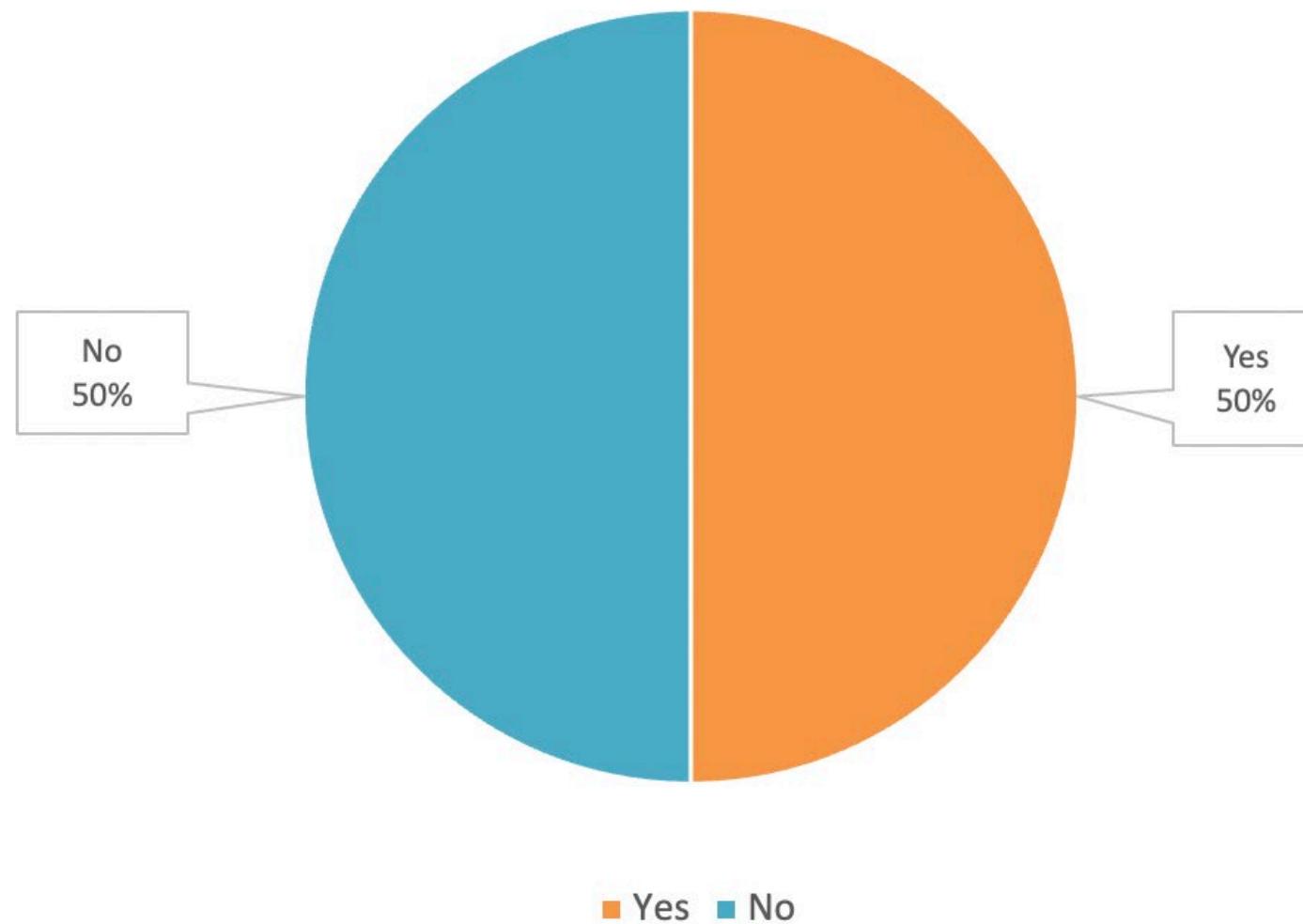
“Both designs look really great and I am delighted that the existing buildings are being retained at the site. Hopefully an operator can be found to make the buildings viable for Torus and the community. I like design 2 personally as it incorporates a 5 a side pitch which could be utilised by residents or local community/schools youth clubs etc.”

“Overall, positive. More open space would be preferable, but main concern is traffic pressure. West Derby already struggles with unsustainable traffic volumes e.g. Jolly Miller pub/Queens Drive.”

“As local resident I absolutely loved the proposed design options on the existing Melwood site and as local to the site would like to be given the dream opportunity of living on the new development site.”

A COMMUNITY-LED LEGACY

Do you think that the current proposals for the site shown in the videos retain the features and facilities that you consider as important for the community?





A COMMUNITY-LED LEGACY

Are there any features you feel are not retained which should be included?



Comments from those that answered 'No' to the previous question:

- The Gym.
- All the indoor facilities as a minimum requirement (x6)
- All attempts should be made, regardless of cost, for Torus to give back to the community that has lived in the area for generations and for the long-standing residents and new residents to be able to access and use the existing facilities on the site (x4)
- Just retain the sports hall and use part of the car park as a dedicated car park for the medical centre.
- Unsure.
- Leisure facilities and landscaping. Too many houses.
- I think the actual building should be kept as a private gym as there isn't one near West Derby.
- Build no more houses (x3)
- The existing building and facilities should remain - West Derby is already overpopulated and doesn't need any more housing developments. More green space is needed.
- All of them (x2)



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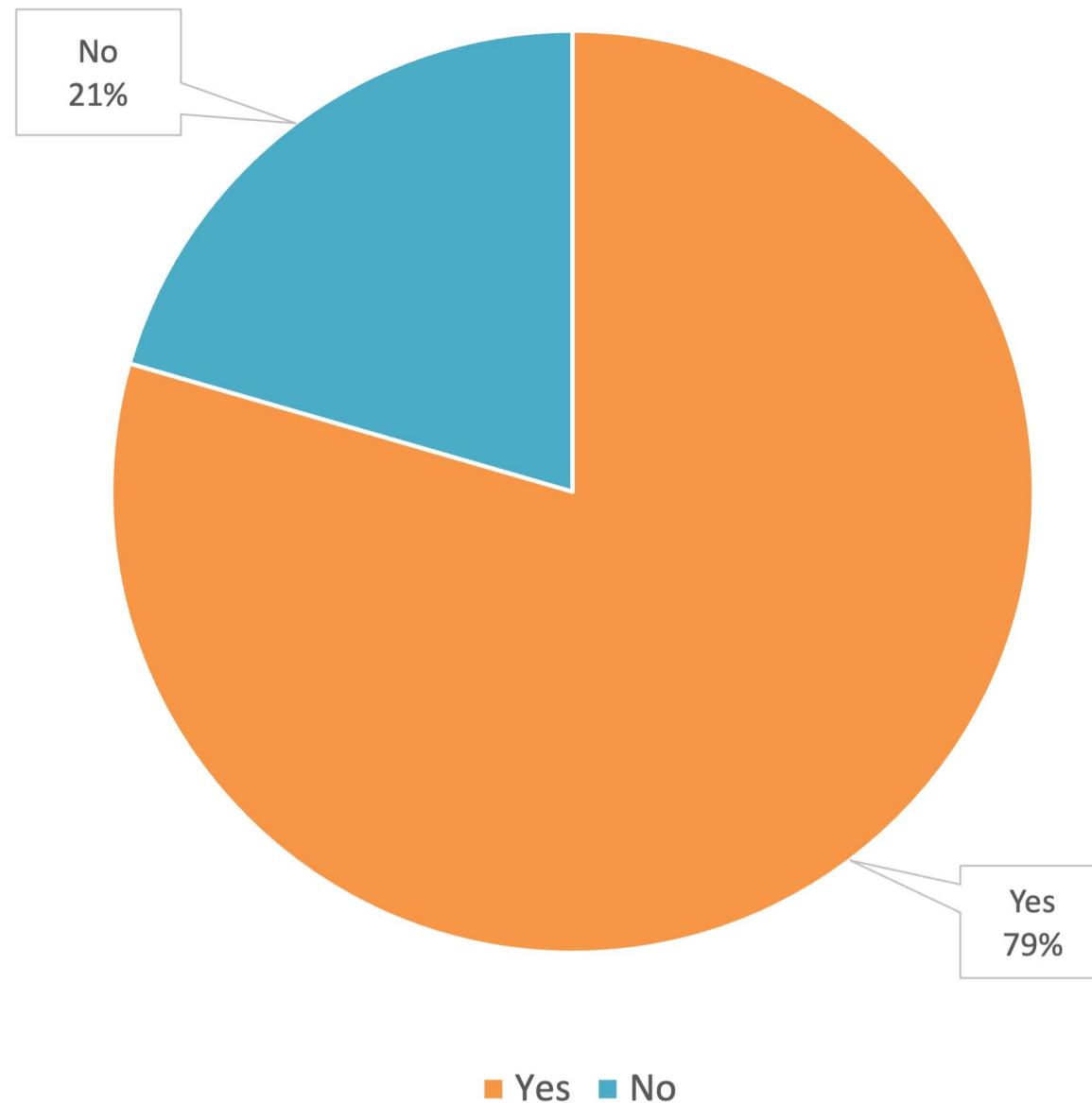
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Parks & Open Space

- Larger open spaces for wildlife - we get migrating birds and foxes in this area.
- Green space for children to play in like a park (x3)
- Green space.

Is the retention of these facilities and spaces important to you?





A COMMUNITY-LED LEGACY

If the retention of these facilities is possible, how would you like these to be used?



Mental & Physical Health

- Leisure and health facility.
- People of all ages can use these facilities to improve their health and wellbeing.
- As a replacement for Peter Lloyd lifestyles that is closing.
- Children/baby activities use of the pool and dining area for possible new mum groups.
- Community groups and older people who are at risk of being isolated.

Non-Profit & Public Organisations

- Run by a nonprofit making establishment.
- Not private companies.



A COMMUNITY-LED LEGACY

If the retention of these facilities is possible, how would you like these to be used?



Community Use

- The training facility would be good for community use like youth club or younger one's activities centre.
- Public Use (x11)
- Use all parts in same way as a general community centre or to various youth clubs to hire, ie: brownie cubs dance school different variation of sports and drama groups also for the LFC women team to use as a wider community there is no facilities like these for any of these groups to use within the mileage area.
- These facilities could be community run, with charges to use the facility, and these charges could be used to pay for the staff and the upkeep of the facilities.
- Yes, we need to turn it into a community centre we have nothing for the kids to do in the area all of the green space we have is getting turned into houses.. where are our children meant to grow up and play if it's overrun with houses
- Something for community to use, problem is cost of upkeep if not why not Torus use as offices instead of demolition.
- As a place to meet get fit and have a coffee.
- The existing building and facilities already on site in its entirety along with the whole of the green space could be used and greatly welcomed by the many schools including, nursery, infant, junior, secondary and further education age groups, along with uniformed groups e.g. scouts, beavers, rainbows, brownies, guides, rangers, cadets as well as junior, senior grass roots sports e.g. swimming, football, athletics, rugby, tennis, cricket, indoor/outdoor bowls, gymnasium as well as local senior age group clubs, historical societies, and many local community groups e.g. OAP, parent & toddler groups, youth community groups.



A COMMUNITY-LED LEGACY

If the retention of these facilities is possible, how would you like these to be used?



- I am not part of a group but if these facilities were available, I would use them. Obviously, there would be a fee to use which I'd be happy. I've seen the times article that Steven Gerard is interested, and I'd support that. It's clear from the support Torus have provided in allowing the site for covid vaccinations that this is a useful area for community health & wellbeing.

Youth & Schools

- All local schools and community groups to be able to use. They have in the past all expressed desire to do so. Latest talk of Soccer Academy sounds perfect. (x6)
- This facility could be used by schools in the area for physical education and student well being. There are no local swimming pools in the area since Cardinal Heenan removed their pool a number of years ago.
- Use by local schools who may not have access to these facilities. Badminton clubs, 5 a side, hydrotherapy use of the pool.
- Why can't you start a kids and youth club (x3)
- An LFC history museum
- Could be used long term with St. Paul's infants and at Paul's junior schools. Also I think youth-based activities should be a priority the Deyesbrook centre could be consulted.



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If the retention of these facilities is possible, how would you like these to be used?



Gym Facilities

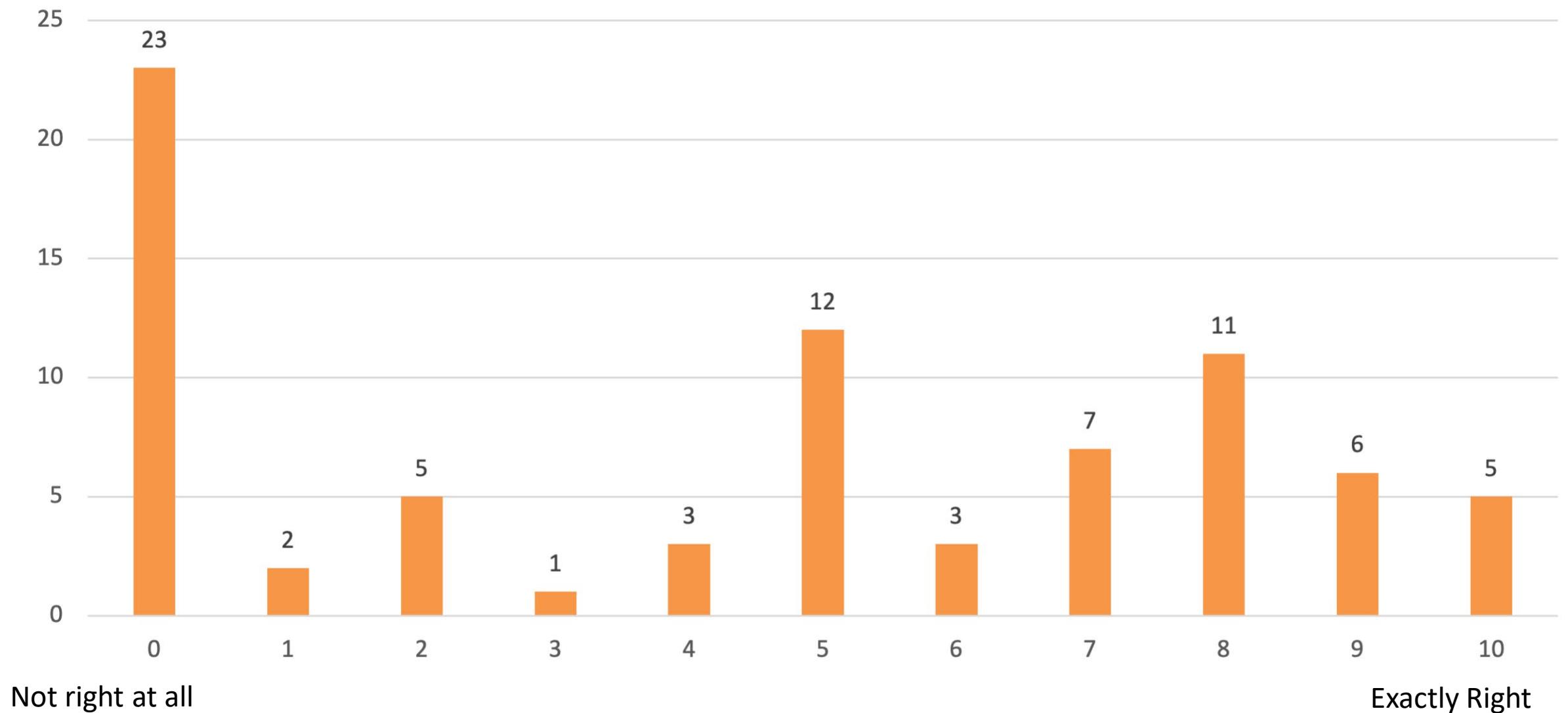
- I think the council running a lifestyles gym there would be ideal. Other than that a school/nursery/Community Centre would be good. A commercial gym may be an idea also. Maybe even some shopping.
- Should be subsidised membership for West Derby residents.
- I think access to a gym and local swimming pool would be great as there is no swimming pool in this area, also the football pitches.
- Gym facilities in the existing building would be preferable over the 5 a side pitch.
- A gym - hot yoga.
- I work for Liverpool City Region Combined Authority who are always assisting in setting up local community centres with good facilities like Melwood's. If not a community centre, then I imagine the local council could turn the whole facility into a 'Melwood Lifestyles', similar to the Croxteth Lifestyles. If not the council, then I find it hard to believe a private fitness centre or football hub would not be interested in taking over the facilities as they are likely to be top spec.



HOMES FOR EVERYONE



I think the mix of housing types proposed is the right balance for this local area





HOMES FOR EVERYONE

I would prefer you to offer more.....



Design, Type & Density

- Balance is about right (x4)
- The balance appears good (x3)
- It's spot on.
- The way you have presented looks good to me.
- Traditional-looking housing which blends in better with the existing surrounding dwellings.
- Less houses & more green space rather than 192/195 smaller homes.
- I would like to see the houses reflect the design of other houses in the area so that they don't stand out too much.
- 3 storey townhouses (x4)
- I would prefer to see more 4 bed detached houses as there are a shortage in the area.
- Housing for larger families (4 bedroom or 3 bedroom with large enough room for children to viably share)
- Normal 2- and 3-bedroom houses not above 2 storey so they match the area housing.
- Family homes (x2)



HOMES FOR EVERYONE

I would prefer you to offer more.....



- Detached over-priced houses like Redrow. Nobody can afford 250k for a 3 bed semi with box rooms these days.
- I would like to see less housing for the over 55's.
- Less housing (x3)
- No housing at all (x23)



HOMES FOR EVERYONE

I would prefer you to offer more.....



Bungalows

- The balance is about right. You need a mix of old, young and disabled.
- More bungalows at the cost of some of the houses would have been my preference, as there is a lack of this type of housing in the area for those with mobility issues, whether it be through age or health. If the number of bungalows was doubled at the cost of other housing on proposal two, then I would have scored it 10 out of 10.
- Bungalows and apartments for older or disabled (x9)
- More Retirement Properties - this would allow more families to buy establish properties in the area as older people will downsize to the retirement properties.
- Assisted living facilities for the +55's (x2)
- More bungalows, the population is ageing so it would be more beneficial for older residents or people who need ground floor accommodation due to mobility issues (x2)

Price & Availability

- The sheltered/assisted living is a great idea, it would help with the traffic issue and the reduced number of children will help with the overcrowding issue with the local schools.
- Starter homes, affordable housing.
- I would like to see more opportunities for first-time buyers (x2)



HOMES FOR EVERYONE

I would prefer you to offer more.....



- Renting housing for local people.
- More availability for young professionals (x3)
- We have a strong preference for private housing with private gardens (communal space is often neglected & misused), sold at a higher price, and fewer in number. And well-managed residential apartments for the elderly. Similar to the look/feel and price points of the private housing behind Tesco, just further down the road (The Point). We've lived here for over 20 years and this has always been a quiet, low-key area - and a sense of privacy & space should be maintained as much as possible. Greater focus should be placed on what this means on an individual level - everybody wants independence and a private garden/plot go land to call their own, which they will value and treasure, and not a 'shared' communal space.
- Housing association in this area is limited I am currently in private rented accommodation and would love the security of Housing association.
- Housing to buy.
- Private space for new residents rather than shared spaces
- Affordable 3 bed houses for families. There needs to be substantial off-road parking too if you are to hope to keep street narrow and have social spaces.
- Tree-lined streets are always nice and give character and beauty to an area. The new mix of housing should gel as much as possible with the existing *feel* of Melwood Drive, maintaining harmony, and causing the least disturbance possible to existing residents. It should feel natural and seamless. In conclusion, we'd like to see more private housing, but fewer houses in number. We also believe this would gain greater support.



HOMES FOR EVERYONE

I would prefer you to offer less.....



Housing Heights & Structure

- Houses especially high.
- 3 storey properties (x3).
- If you are having 3 story houses I feel these should be inside the new estate and not outward facing - I do not feel like a 3 story house over the road from my house will be right.
- Less semis and detached as the area is full of this type of house already.

Tenure

- The balance of housing seems okay.
- Rentals.
- Rental and social housing, or any kind of housing that will dramatically alter or over-populate the area. There have been a lot of new houses built in West Derby in recent years and any future development should take account of infrastructure (schools, doctors etc). Rental housing can create a very 'transient' neighbourhood. In general, people reside here for very long periods of time and that creates a calm and quiet neighbourhood.
- Social housing.
- No private landlords.



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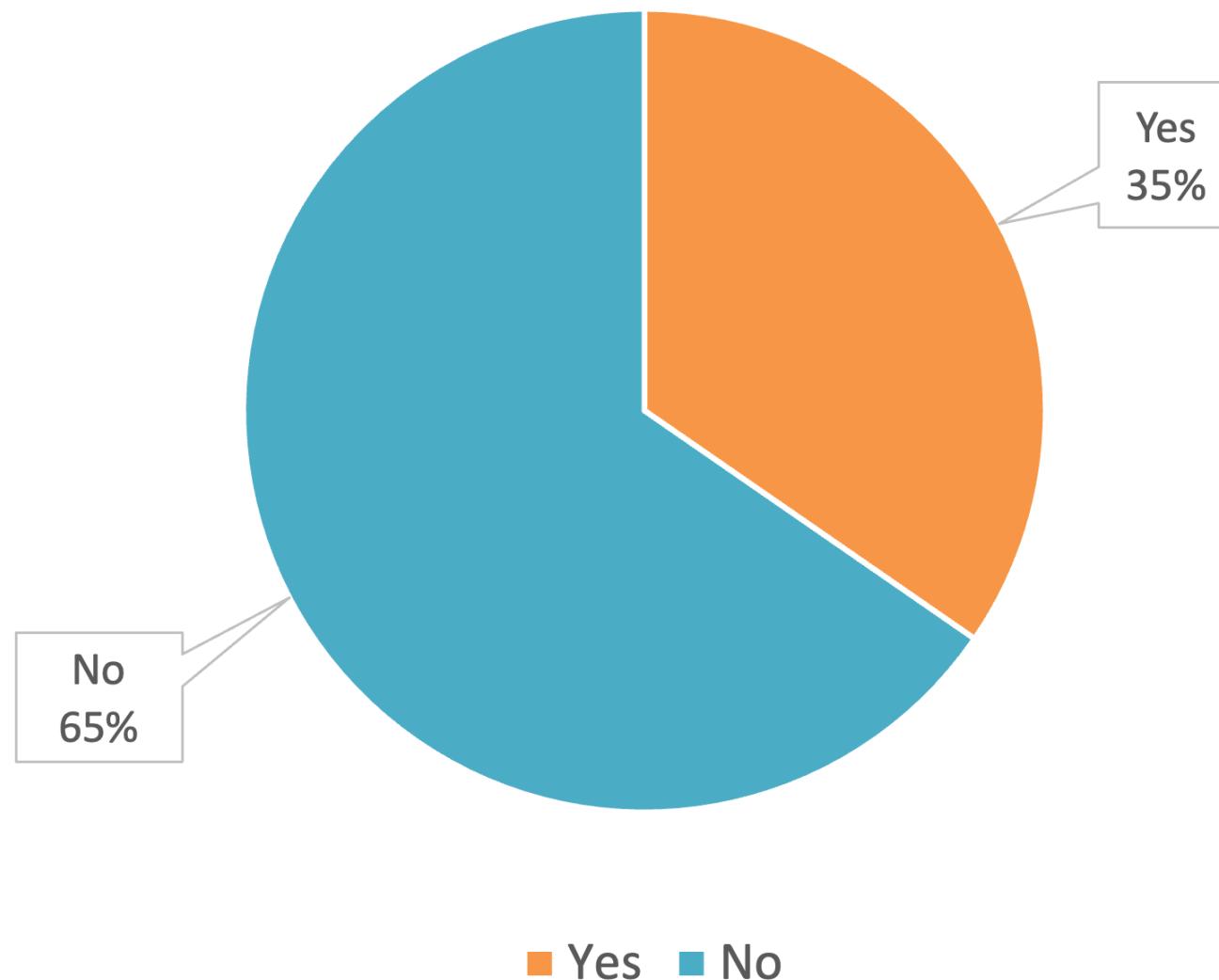
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Density & Pressure on local facilities

- Reduce total number of properties by 30%.
- Apart from all the housing, there's all the traffic, would it be one way in & one way out of the estate.
- Think the accommodation should be limited to one bedroom accommodation. If you provide family homes where will the children go to school? The local schools are over subscribed as it is!
- Less housing for families, as they are the ones that will bring more cars and children for the schools to cope with, and as they grow up are they going to be the ones causing noise and disruption? Yes that issue again, and I have had experience of it at home and at Norris Green park where I am a volunteer.

In your opinion, do you feel that the proposed layouts sit well with the existing streets and nearby homes?





HOMES FOR EVERYONE

What changes would you like to see in the next design proposal?



Roads & Traffic

- The designs sound impressive, being bio-diverse etc
- Smaller housing may not produce the same number of additional vehicles. We already have a major busy route along Melwood Drive for traffic, so not sure how all of the increased traffic/vehicles will work out to be honest.
No housing which will bring with it more cars on already busy roads, more pressure on already over subscribed schools and health facilities.
- Not built on top of main roads for both people living in the properties and also for aesthetics.
- The main concerns for myself are traffic congestion, oversubscribed schools and doctors surgeries .I live on Bevans Lane and I am already dreading the impact of the extra traffic. Bevans Lane is a very quiet road but once all the extra houses are built I am certain it will be used as a cut through to the new melwood housing estate.I wonder if this has been considered alongside where to strategically plant some new trees ???
- Deysbrooke Lane is a dangerous road.
- Clearer details of access.
- There's to much traffic Desbrook Lane now, so when the building starts, it's going to be terrible for the people who live here.
- Roads and crescents rather than tasteless concrete blocks of buildings.
- From Melwood to the city centre would be to full during rush hour.
- Roads can not cope with houses and garden houses will flood.



HOMES FOR EVERYONE

What changes would you like to see in the next design proposal?



Blending with Surrounding Landscape

- I want to see the buildings reflect the existing area, I don't see red brick buildings on Melwood drive or Deysbrook lane.
- These houses in the design are not in keeping with the design of the houses in the local area and would stick out like a sore thumb.
- I think the exterior roads should match the semi detached houses in the area with interior houses being larger detached houses.
- As mentioned architectural style must blend with the existing especially on Melwood Drive, following existing building lines otherwise it will look like an intrusion of Lego just put there, thinking again of the terrible architecture of your Kensington development.
- As before, more traditional style housing with each dwelling having its own front garden.

Melwood Training Facility

- None, retain training ground as it is for benefit of larger community.
- The pitches and existing training facilities retained. If you are adamant about building houses, perhaps a maximum of 20 high end 4/5 bedroom houses.
- Leave green lands alone.
- No houses and Torus being responsible and creating community facilities for the existing community and not adding to it.
- No housing development what so ever, but the site being utilised for all age groups and the many schools in the local area and their requirements. Enabling the site to be retained as it is using the existing building, facilities and green space.



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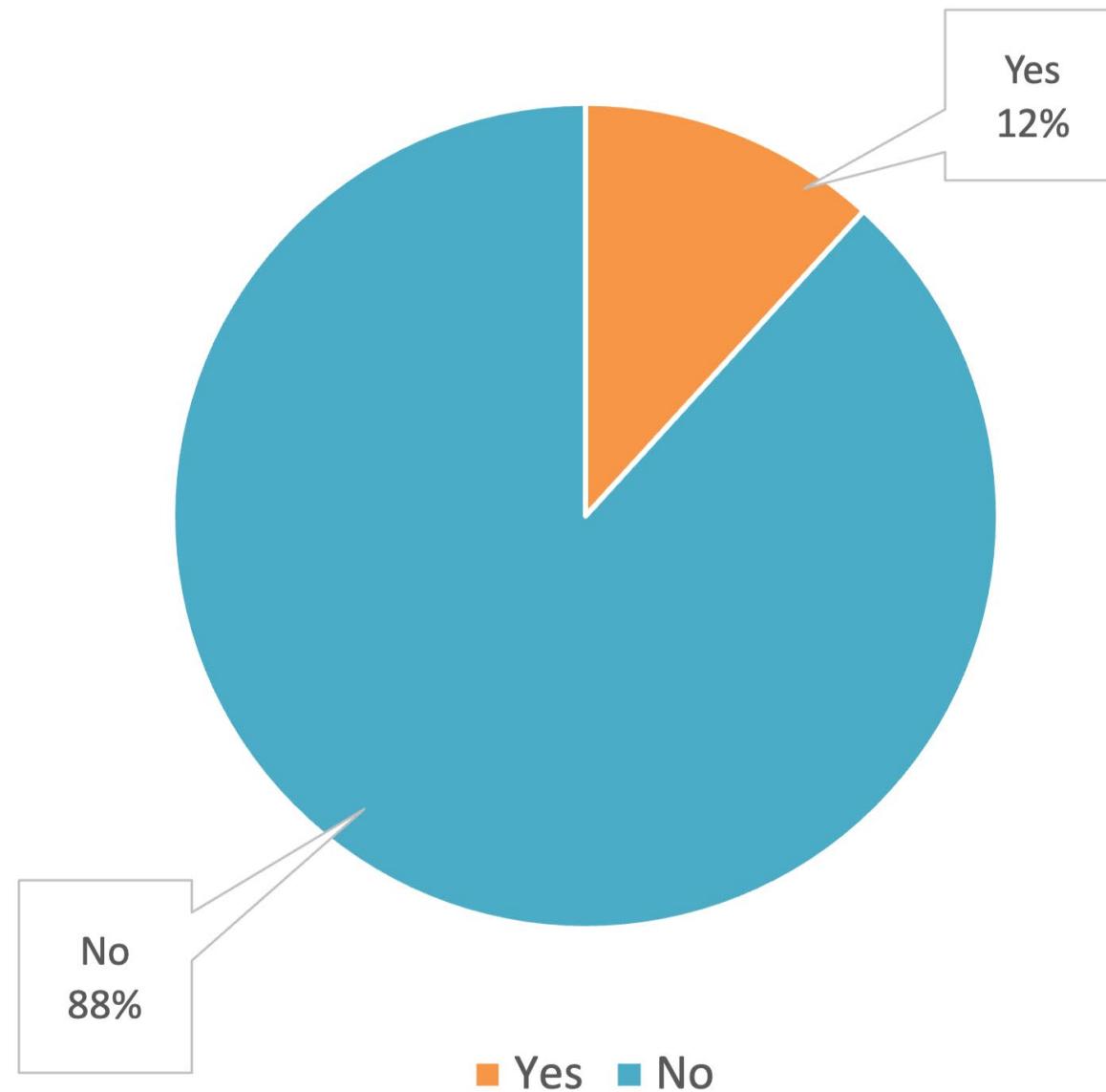
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Housing Design, Tenure & Type

- More private housing, each with its own private garden and green space. So more detached and semi-detached private housing. As far as possible, each house should have its own garden and communal space should not be used as a substitute for private gardens. We don't want town-houses, although well-managed apartments for the elderly could be suitable. Overall, we'd like to see private housing, with fewer houses in total, and well-managed housing for elderly residents. And more private green space. Any communal space should not be designed to be over-used, because that creates noise and disturbance. So more peace and quiet, and less 'vibrancy'. Private gardens should be created for private use, and any communal green space should be designed to create a natural, peaceful and calming effect, in keeping with the area.
- A more open layout with fewer buildings and more green space.
- Higher quality luxury homes.
- No 3 storey buildings.
- I would prefer to see less straight line "Rat Runs" on the plans and more community neighbourhoods in the form of cul-de-sac's.
- Additional planning to be able to sustain a level of housing you are suggesting , including roads, doctors, schools & shops none of this is possible in such a small space.
- I don't want any housing at all the areas infrastructure can not cope with any more housing. I know this is not what you want to hear but this is a simple fact.
- Too many and some 3 storey.
- No Homes (x7)

In your opinion, do you feel that the current proposals highlight the characteristics of Melwood that are important to you?





HOMES FOR EVERYONE

What would you like to see in the proposals that are important to the character of space?



Melwood Training Facility

- A gym and facilities.
- It would have been better to keep the existing facilities and open up the vast green area as parkland for the whole community.
- Retained sports, green spaces and historical legacy Liverpool FC have brought to the city and area should be commemorated in the retention of the building and facilities for worldwide fans and generations to come.
- Retention of whole site for community sports and recreation.
- To keep the existing outdoor space as sporting facilities which are much needed in this area.
- I personally think it should have been donated to the local community as a sports and recreation centre for the area.
- Give the facilities over to somebody who can run it for the purpose it was designed for. ie: first class (world class in the words of LFC) sporting facility.
- No houses. Melwood stays as it is but becomes open the community who can benefit from the pool.

Green & Open Spaces

- Nice gardens and green areas.
- The site should be kept as a community park (x2)
- Whole site retained as park and sport facilities.



HOMES FOR EVERYONE

What would you like to see in the proposals that are important to the character of space?



- Less houses & more green space you will also need to think about the roads around the entrances & the impact these may have on existing residents.
- More for the children already in the area.
- At the moment it is open space, with a wide feeling, putting any houses on there will destroy that, which is why I am against the 3 story builds. But open space unregulated brings the youth problem.

Housing

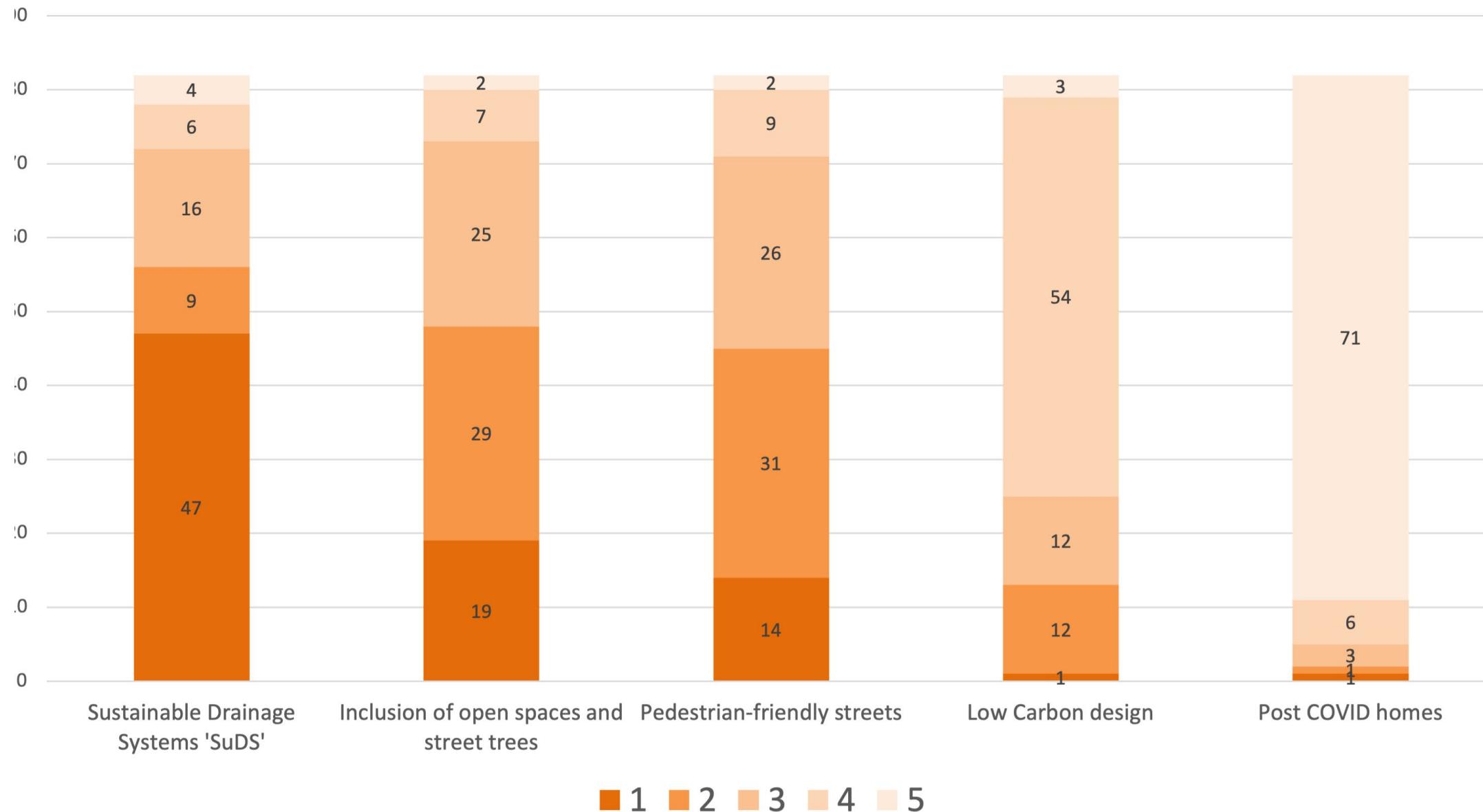
- That the buildings be in character with the older properties in the area.
- Private housing, sold at a higher value, with its own green space.
- A new estate will have a long lasting, damaging effect on the quality of life for the existing residents in the area , due to excess traffic oversubscribed schools and doctors surgeries etc. It's not possible to build 190 new homes and hope there will be no impact.
- I would like to see closer guidelines of occupants - older people don't want children making noises and private buyers will not mix with part ownership.
- The use is wrong and will flood.
- Not what you have suggested.
- No housing (x5)



BUILDING HOMES & COMMUNITIES FOR THE FUTURE



Torus is continuing its focus on a number of environmental themes in the proposed redevelopments. Please rank these in the order that you believe they should be prioritised.





BUILDING HOMES & COMMUNITIES FOR THE FUTURE



Are there any other environmental themes that you would like us to consider or address?

Traffic & Carbon Emissions

- Yes. The impact of the additional traffic.
- Large driveways as average families now have 2/3 cars.
- Traffic.
- Traffic congestion.
- Carbon emissions caused by all the extra traffic.
- Traffic, congestion, traffic pollution, noise pollution.
- Impact on other residents who already have to deal with overburdened services and excess traffic.
- More houses mean more cars on the roads. This area cannot cope with an increase in cars. Mill road already gets busy, town row is hard to cross.
- GP and school parking. Flooding is a huge concern. Not enough space on the roads. Not enough parking. No houses should be built!
- Carbon emissions caused by extra cars, additional use of the medical services. With 12,000 already on the medical centre books it's already impossible to get seen by the doctors and nurses!
- Traffic is a major concern.



BUILDING HOMES & COMMUNITIES FOR THE FUTURE



Are there any other environmental themes that you would like us to consider or address?

Draining & Flooding

- I would love to see a substantial part turned into a nature reserve as a learning facility for local schools and environmental clubs like Watch. School children can walk from Blackmore and St Pauls (Oh no! exercise, getting rid of fat children..) or from further afield can be brought by mini-bus helping with the traffic issue. The open space will help the drainage and more trees will help capture carbon. Plots could grow food which could be used by the Deysbook centre, or again produce could be taken back to schools for cooking. There are many permutations, and the more given nature/horticultural use the better. But it would have to be fenced off with controlled access because of vandalism by those local youths, but getting younger children involved today, may reduce the disruptive youth problem of tomorrow.
- Drainage and flooding in the area , and the added traffic to the area , including pollution.
- I would like to see a plan for Torus to continue to support the drainage issues especially if they plan on being landlords etc on the site (rentable homes).
- You know them but are ignoring them. Drainage cannot cope, schools and services cannot cope. The roads are blocked at school and rush hour times.
- Drainage is already poor In the area and leads to flooding.
- Flooding in area, overpopulated area.
- Get the drains sorted first! The road at the bottom regularly floods because the sewerage drains cannot cope! Then talk about the environment because as it stands every few months or so we are literally swimming in faeces.



BUILDING HOMES & COMMUNITIES FOR THE FUTURE



Are there any other environmental themes that you would like us to consider or address?

Solar Energy

- Solar panels.
- If you are going for low carbon housing how are these sustainable and what materials of MMC are you using, and how many of these properties are being built off site?
- Natural materials used on buildings such as wooden cladding.
- How about solar panels?
- Greater use of electrical and solar energy.

Nature & Green Spaces

- Greenspace (x3)
- I think as West Derby is historically a green area with plenty of green space and trees. The incorporation of this into your plans is crucial (x2)
- Green spaces should not be designed to be over-used, but to create a natural calming effect. So the area looks green, quiet & tranquil. There is already a park nearby for exercise and socialising. And elderly residents should have their own private green space.



BUILDING HOMES & COMMUNITIES FOR THE FUTURE



Are there any other environmental themes that you would like us to consider or address?

General Comments

- Seem to have considered this very well already.
- Provision of local waste bins and community style rubbish bins similar to the systems which have been trialed in other areas in Liverpool Walton district.
- If the 5 aside facility is removed then this open space should still be available for ball games to retain the history and spirit of Melwood. It would be ridiculous to see a street sign in this area saying no ball games considering Melwood's history and I'm sure the media would have a field day!
- Schools, doctors, traffic.
- A gym and swimming pool.
- Good environmental lighting is important for safety.
- Yes create a community centre for all ages.
- Exercise and healthy living for community, not houses.
- A play area for children would be lovely. and bring a community spirit.
- Demolish Boundary Wall.
- When you start developing the site please spare a thought for the existing surrounding residents and how digging up the ground will result in increased rats, noise and air pollution.



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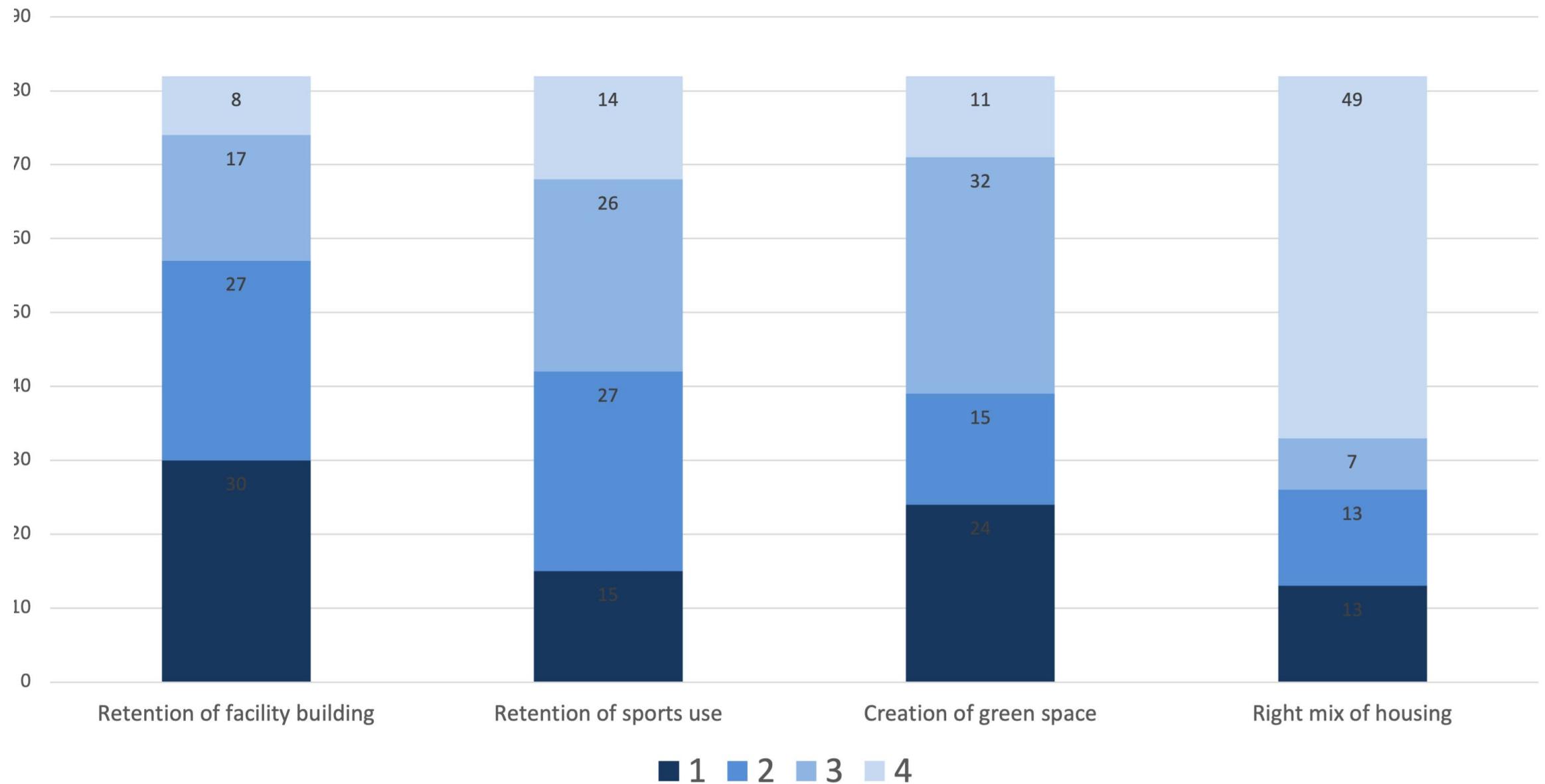


Are there any other environmental themes that you would like us to consider or address?

- Already stated no more houses in West Derby.. We want clear air to breath.
- No more houses built, there are too many people.

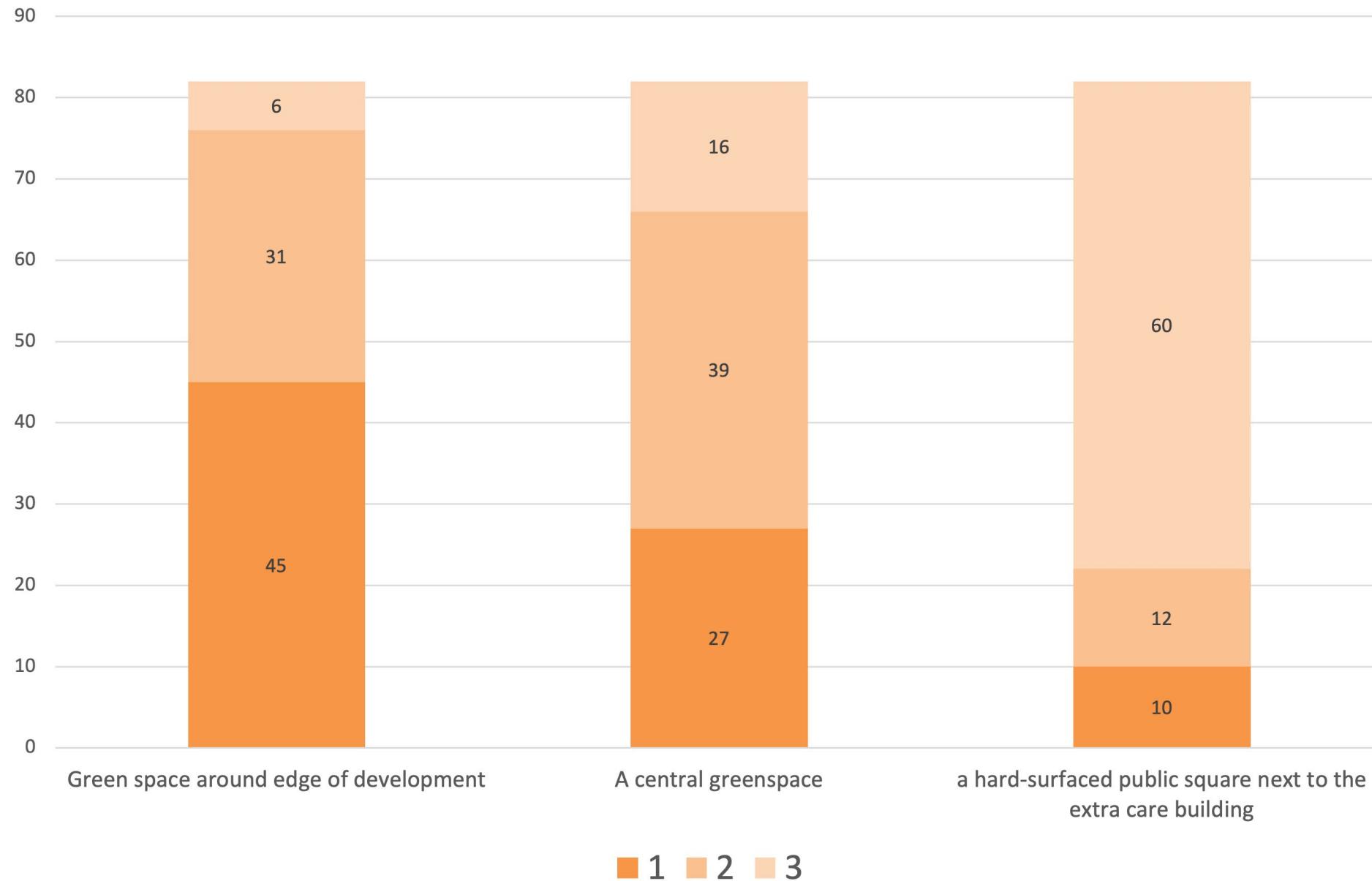
GREEN SPACE

From seeing the current proposals of the site, please rank the following principles in order of their importance to you.

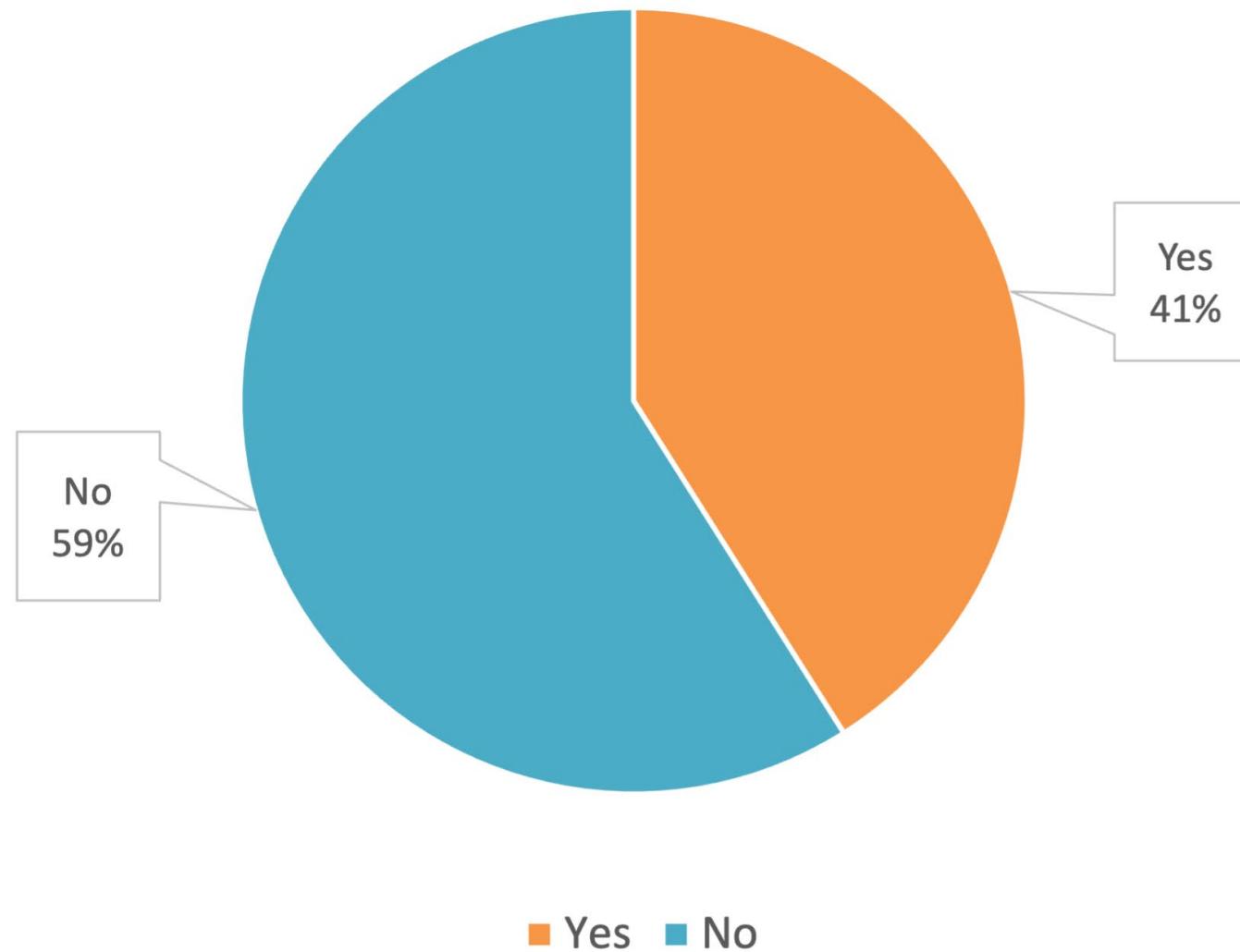


GREEN SPACE

We are currently proposing three types of green and open space, please rank them in the order that you would personally prioritise them



Do you feel that Torus has got the balance of open space right in the options proposed?





GREEN SPACE

How do you think we could improve this?



- More garden designs and possible small water feature.
- Far less housing, far more green space.
- Reduce the number of part ownership homes and create more retirement properties.
- Reduce number of properties.
- Drastically reduce the proposed number of homes.
- Leave facility as it is (x2)
- Yes, by building fewer homes.
- By understanding that private green space is always more valued and treasured than 'communal' space. Open green space is welcome, but should not be designed for too much use. That's what gardens and parks are for (and there is a huge park nearby). People, in general, prefer their own bit of greenery.
- Green space is only beneficial to our health if it promotes calmness and wellbeing, not if it encourages noise, pollution and anxiety.
- Outdoor space could be larger and provide more a community centre. A play area would be great for the surrounding houses. 3 story houses and building should be placed in the centre of the design and not the outside.
- Less houses (x24)
- Open spaces within housing area could attract anti social behaviour. Keep houses away from roads as much as possible.



GREEN SPACE

How do you think we could improve this?



- Its no good having open green space if people are living in rabbit hutches....cramped living conditions have a bigger impact on people's mental health and well-being, and to cram that many dwellings into Melwood, they are going to be very small dwellings.
- The only people that will use the hard open space is gangs smoking weed - elderly people will feel intimidated walking in these areas never mind sitting in them.
- It is impossible for what you are proposing to benefit the existing residents.
- Reduce housing density - refer to my previous answers, no houses and a total health, wellbeing and green spaces focus.

Childrens Area

- Encourage local schools to use the space.
- A flat field so kids can play football and other sports.
- Children to play (x2)
- Areas dedicated for dog walkers and soft play areas for children.
- Outside activities for children maybe a small park with swings, slide etc.
- Seating area and something to accommodate young children(babies to 8/10yrs) built in feature play area.



GREEN SPACE

We want your input to the detailed design of the open spaces as they are developed. What would you like to see in them? How would you like to see them used?



Community Space for all

- Sports and health facilities that could be used by all, parks and greenspace for children.
- A place for everyone to use from young old.
- To be able to enjoy the open spaces in nice weather and meet people from the community.
- I am not sure at the moment, but all age groups need to be considered and not just child friendly but older people consideration too.
- Community minded. Utilise the space. Add a playground. Keep it for the area not for business.
- Community space.
- Benches ..
- Keep the grounds and use it as a community centre for all ages.
- Quiet seating area for the elderly so they can have that sense of old community somewhere to sit with the neighbour and have a chat off road parking not just a driveway for one car.
- Trees, used by residents and local people.
- Perhaps include some allotment space for those residents in the extra care facility.
- Open spaces are good but not designed to attract a place where young people can congregate during the evenings. Needs to be well lit and well thought out so as not to create a problem for the older residents. It must be balanced for all age groups.
- We are concerned about people, mainly teenagers, congregating, riding bikes & using e scooters.



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Wildlife & Habitat

- I am impressed with the number of trees on the map in proposal two as it is more than I was expecting and rings round the whole project. This will be appreciated by current residents looking onto the new development as well as those that will be living within it.
- Replaced by planting of more trees and plants.
- Sustainable trees properly cared for.
- The open spaces should be designed to encourage wild life and not meeting places for groups of youths, litter and public nuisance.
- As much green space as possible , not more houses crammed in.
- Need green spaces and trees to try and combat the added pollution that will be created by all the new cars and traffic this will bring to the area.
- Mature trees and developed shrubbery required. Not tiny trees. Open spaces must be bespoke, not "flexible" spaces that tend to be flat and uninteresting.
- Long term ownership and maintenance of the open spaces is critical.
- Just open space with trees and gardens.
- Benches, shrubs and trees, perhaps a lake to encourage wildlife.
- I think some nice landscaped areas would be great with flowerbeds to bring life to the spaces.
- Plenty of green plants and trees.
- Trees, plots for growing food, ponds, although you may have covered that with some your flood management ideas.



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- Open spaces and trees.
- Variety of trees and an area for meadow flowers that will attract wildlife.
- Gardens with flowers and well kept trees and plants. Maybe a large pond and nature garden.

Sports Use

- Five a side pitches, a park or adventure playground, cycle park and nature area.
- Some fitness equipment.
- Sport centre and green field.
- Football pitch and gym.
- The ground should be used as a sports facility and called Paisley Park.
- All open with use of park and football fields no houses.
- No housing development of any type is acceptable on this existing sports, training, building, green space facility site. All the existing Green spaces and facilities should be used and enhanced solely for use of local community age groups and schools.

General Comments

- Car park for St Paul's so Melwood Drive is freed of cars blocking the road.
- I would not like to see them 'used'. I'd like to know that residents have a garden to call their own, and green space to 'look out' on, to make them feel calm and peaceful, and not over-burned by noise, anxiety and overcrowding. Trees should be planted on open space. There is a huge park nearby for exercise, social activity & 'noisier' pursuits.



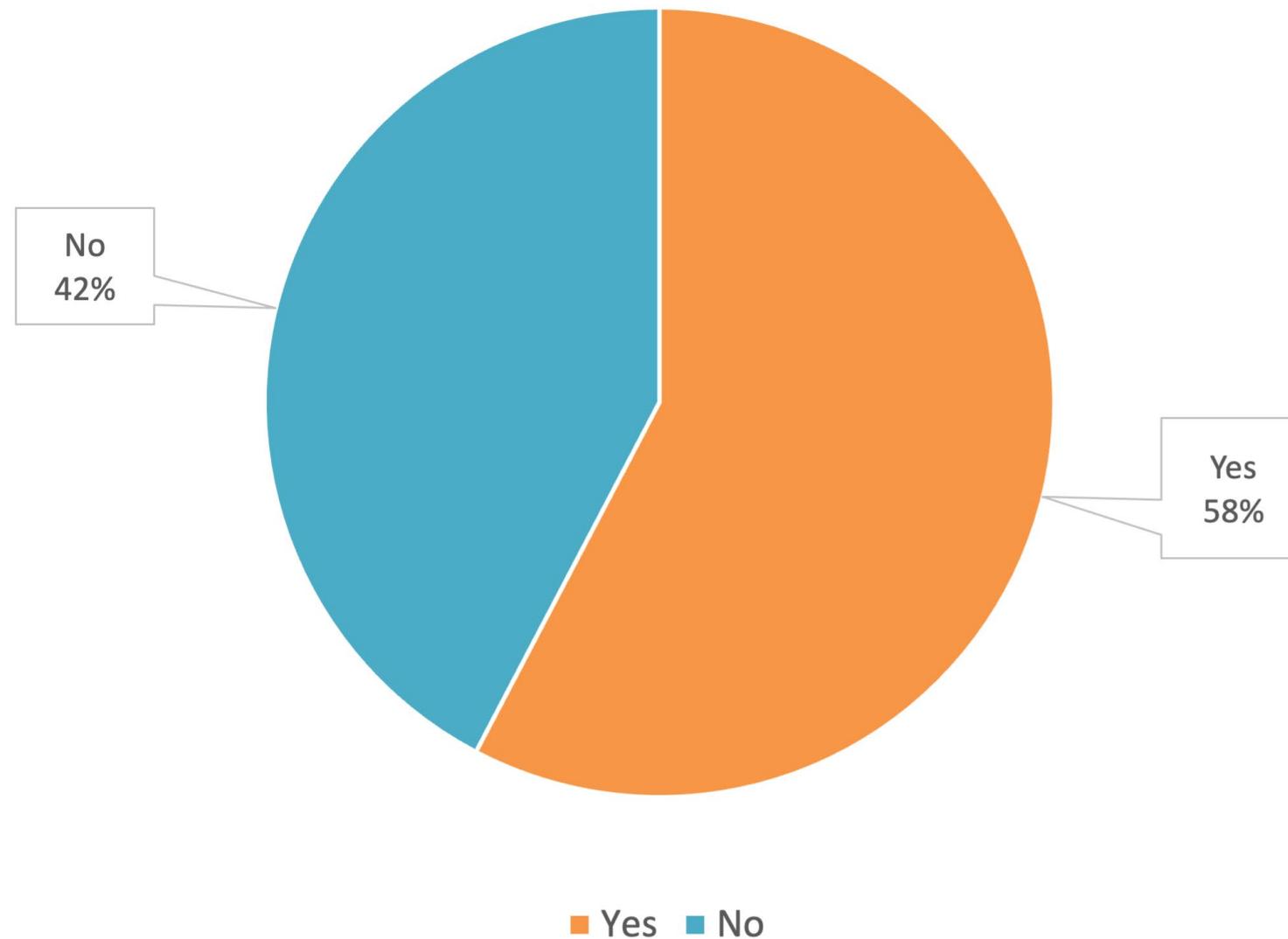
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- A natural feel, winding paths not flagged but a nice surface, gently undulating. Places to sit, feel like 'in nature' and zones with seating for small groups, some natural children's activity for toddlers, stepping logs etc. small trees shrubs, flower seeds and plants..some formal planting, beds/borders.
- Encourage movement throughout the areas with places for people to sit, individually or in small group, feeling as if 'in nature', so plants, trees, shrubs, a generally natural layout with smaller formal zones. Nice path ways, decent surface for walking but not flagged, winding design not completely straight lines, gently undulating in places, safely lit of an evening.
- Kept as it is ..area already over crowded.
- Open space doesn't need to be "used". Hence the term "open space". The danger is that youngsters will sit-off and bring the estate problems and misery. How do you propose to accommodate that?
- This is a disingenuous way to obfuscate the real issues in relation to this development....I am not interested in the design of the open spaces!

Would you like to be invited to specific surveys or online workshops about the design of the open spaces?





STREETS & LAYOUT

What is your opinion on the approach taken?



- Encouraging.
- Great in theory.
- It seems sensible and appropriate.
- Looks good although I'm unsure of narrow roads I feel this could cause problems.
- Tree planting is a good idea.
- I like the idea that people are put before cars.
- Sounds really good.
- Good. Off street parking for 21st century housing needs to be enough for at least 2 cars. Especially to keep streets pedestrian friendly, prevents countless cars parked on pavement.
- It will be great if it all comes together.
- If done correctly then it would be a good thing.
- The sustainable drainage is a necessity for the area on both sides of Melwood.
- Pedestrian streets are always a good idea, its difficult to imagine new residents agreeing to park a long way from their property so would this not encourage them to park closer in nearby streets that are already congested.
- I think its the right idea.
- Good idea but needs to be carried out correctly and followed through with.
- Good.



STREETS & LAYOUT

What is your opinion on the approach taken?



- We like all of the plans so far.
- To enhance the pedestrian friendly approach perhaps a communal car parking area would be suitable.
- Seems like a good balance to enable locals to maintain a quality of life with families and friends without the pain of main thoroughfare transport noise and fumes.
- Most of what your proposing is agreeable.
- It is fine in theory.
- Off street parking is important especially in such a busy area.
- Definitely need drainage considerations to be taken and off street parking facilities.
- Sounds OK in theory, but I still feel there will be far too many buildings and not enough green space.
- The lines of the development need to be broken up to stop motorbikes uses them as a short cut.
- Good but we don't need more houses in this flooding drenched area.
- Off street parking is essential, but if I have bought a lot of wood from B&Q, I would want easy drive to my house, these traffic calming things are so frustrating. Cyclists are also a problem as they are too slow on the road and too fast on the pavement, and now with the curse of these scooters.....
- I'll believe it when I see it.



STREETS & LAYOUT

What is your opinion on the approach taken?



- What's the point of prioritising cyclists when as soon as they leave the estate they are on main roads - deysbrook/town row/oak lane - these roads are death traps for cyclists. So all that will happen is kids riding around the estate on bikes knowing no cars are there - doing wheelies and scrambler bikes knowing they can easily get away from police down the alley ways these plans have. You won't sell these pensioner homes or they be worthless once the kids move in- they will be like living in a nightmare for an elderly person.
- Too much traffic already in West Derby so we don't need new new streets/roads and homes being built.
- I don't think the current design honours these principles. People value their own private green space more than they value communal space, and they should feel calm, peaceful by any additional green space introduced. This additional green space should be used to promote tranquillity, not noise or vibrancy.
- Off street parking presents security issues, also practical concerns for elderly or handicapped residents.
- The consultation was a waste of time.
- Roads can not cope with more cars.
- Highways need sorting first . Already a nightmare travelling along Melwood Drive.
- We do not want a housing development on this site.
- Don't waste money on cycle paths we have a park across the road.
- I feel this space is not sufficient for the proposals.
- We don't need more housing.
- Misleading..
- Tinkering around the edges of serious problems.



STREETS & LAYOUT

What is your opinion on the approach taken?



- I think this approach is tacky and will bring the area down. West derby is currently a lovely, quiet area with lots of history. Removing the opportunity to park outside the houses will increase parked cars in other roads which is already an issue due to the hospital. Most roads around the hospital now have parking permits, and the cars are moving further away from the hospital. This will only make the problems worse.



STREETS & LAYOUT

Are there any other features you would like us to focus on in designing the new streets?



- No, you seem to have covered this well.
- Not sure what more you can do but the less tempting they are for drivers on Melwood Drive and Deysbrook Lane to use as a rat run the better. Drivers currently use Deysbrook Lane to dodge the traffic lights at the junction of Melwood/Town row, the new roads may provide further options.
- Trees will make a big difference, It is an important feature.
- No (x20)
- Any new features should promote privacy and space, rather than overcrowding and 'sociability'. We'd like to see a less densely-populated area with a sense of space, freedom - and clean, wide streets. There's a wrongful idea that all green space should be 'used'. This is not true. Green space brings psychological value. It doesn't have to be 'used' to be enjoyed. Parks are for use.
- Gyms and football pitches.
- Widen Deysbrook Lane and include some parking so that 2 cars can drive down the road and pass each other instead of the current scenario of traffic chaos.
- Pedestrian and cycling areas as part of a health & sports area.
- Trees and greenery.
- Keep them clean and free of litter.
- No cars.
- Naming the streets in relation with Melwood or LFC.
- Speed bumps and safety measures to ensure kids are safe to help stop antisocial behaviour on the roads around the estate.



STREETS & LAYOUT

Are there any other features you would like us to focus on in designing the new streets?



- Safe roads.
- Good lighting (x6)
- Must have adequate lighting, and who has the responsibility of the upkeep of these streets.
- Avoid "rat runs" the effect of the new residents traffic on existing home owners.
- A closed area for children to play. Plenty of lighting in the area.
- Security cameras and police phone points around the area (x2)
- Enough parking for all houses - as current parking facilities are stretched enough.
- Include Pedestrian crossings.
- Sort highways out first.
- Not looking generic like some developers ie: Bellway etc. But also not so bold in design that they go out of fashion very quickly.
- Better pavements.



STREETS & LAYOUT

Are there any other features you would like us to focus on in designing the new streets?



- Ways to slow traffic down, good lighting and security to dissuade crime.
- Good lighting, litter management, anti social behaviour control.
- Low level housing and street names not named after LFC players.
- Just that they are safe, well lit and don't create road safety issues for all age groups.
- Nice well lit streets for security of the community who are going to be living on the new site.
- Benches designed by local communities.
- Look at the area around the site and do similar.
- More consideration around where the entrances need to be located.
- Try and discourage traffic cutting through from Melwood to a Deysbrook Lane, visa versa, trying to dodge the traffic lights at Melwood/Town Row junction..especially a problem with school run traffic as per Crown Road.
- It does not look as if there are enough entrance/exits.
- Preferably no houses or properties but if the have to be built absolutely NO on road parking.
- Yes don't add any more streets.



FUTURE ENGAGEMENT

Do you have any other suggestions about what you would like Torus to share before they finalise their proposals?



Designs

- I would just love to be given the chance to live here as it would be a dream come true for myself and my partner.
- The main culprits - detailed reports on the flooding, and on traffic use and on increase of noise from the site. Also how to minimise disruption to existing residents when any construction, whatever form it takes, starts.
- House designs and house prices and if these houses will be leasehold or freehold . Just more information.
- The average cost of these houses will give an insight to the Standard we might expect.
- A gym and football pitches.
- Keep West Derby green..
- Make it more open and greener with more security consideration.
- The privacy of established properties around the perimeter of the new development - reduce the goldfish bowl effect.
- Clear, safe access roads to the site with 20mph restrictions.
- If the existing building is retained for multi use, consideration be given to not have the 5 a side pitch, but this space be used for communal parking.
- If the number of semi detached and townhouses remain as planned, then what are the proposals to limit impact on schools and traffic congestion. I ask this as the local schools are over subscribed as it is and the traffic congestion around the intersection between Melwood Drive and Town Row is already beyond reasonable when the two schools St Pauls and Blackmoor are starting or finishing and this all further adds to the long queues of cars trying to exit West Derby at the traffic lights to the end of Mill Lane at commuting hours. It remains to be seen how the new development does not further magnify these issues for the current residents as well as the new incoming residents.



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Do you have any other suggestions about what you would like Torus to share before they finalise their proposals?



- Think carefully about the negative impact your plans will have on current residents.
- Improve the house designs - they look cheap and featureless - square/low cost designing.
- Scrap housing plans. There is no mention here regards traffic impact of 195 properties with high % of 1/2 car owners. No reference to impact on local schools.
- I feel this space is not sufficient for the proposals.
- Come up with better idea for the flooding more houses means more water (x2)
- Initially we were informed there would be 160 dwellings, it is now at least 192, I was concerned at 160 dwellings, I am obviously even more concerned now as the build has gone up by at least 32, I would like to see the design of each dwelling so I can see the size of property you are squeezing families into.
- Please look at how many cars are already on the road the anti social behaviour in the village. The area can't cope with more houses.
- The details of the entrance to the housing. Where on Deysbrook Lane? This road is very congested already at peak times. The new surgery on the corner has no parking and cars are parked constantly on double yellow lines. It is already very difficult turning onto Deysbrook Lane every time I leave my home, it's an accident waiting to happen. The congestion is only going to get worse with the entrance on Deysbrook Lane.
- I'd like to see more focus on a community space rather than a packed dwelling space.
- Address the main issues of extra traffic , oversubscription to schools etc.
- Traffic congestion major concern, Deysbrook Lane would have to be one way.
- Roads are already really busy and I am concerned about access onto/off the site for residents.



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Consultation & Engagement

- The proposals look excellent so far and the engagement with local community is great.
- More ongoing engagement and consultation.
- Final plan please - and details of schedule for neighbours. How this will impact us?
- Community consultation with local people including builder and council confirming the times site will work overnight proposals etc.
- I understand their are restrictions but it would be nice to invite the local residents directly impacted to see the final plans before they are finalised.
- Provide information on what the council are going to do for the local facilities if an additional 195 houses are build in the area. Schools, doctors, dentists & other amenities are already maxed, how will these services cope with the massive increase in the population living in this area?
- As up until this date you have never considered individual or community comments or input to your proposed housing development plans for this site we find it hard to believe you will consider them in the future, as you have already gone ahead with proposed housing development drawings and plans on fliers and website against the communities stated objections to a housing development on the Melwood site.
- In the first survey we were ignored, that's why I moved away, don't ruin our area, it's been ruined enough.
- What we say does not waver what you plan to do. You have no interest in our community. I think it's called making money.
- Listen to the people for once.
- Why bother....you won't listen anyway!!!
- Listen to the local residents.
- Listen to the community who know the area and fully understand the needs.
- Perhaps use simple words in place of all the nonsense jargon, trying to show people how clever you are as opposed to clearly communicating with them.



The next slides are comments that were made at the beginning and the end of the survey or phone call conversation or that were more general than in a particular question



GENERAL COMMENTS



- I think the plans look good - personally I think the outdoor spaces would be more beneficial to the community. Instead of the indoor football pitch.
- The presentations look professional and hopefully Torus will deliver on its themed community approach and it not be lost when the project is completed.
- It all looks and sounds very positive(great pitch). However, I feel that the final look and layout will not reflect the plans on the video.
- Both designs look really great and i am delighted that the existing buildings are being retained at the site. Hopefully an operator can be found to make the buildings viable for Torus and the community. I like design 2 personally as it incorporates a 5 a side pitch which could be utilised by residents or local community/schools youth clubs etc.
- As local resident I absolutely loved the proposed design options on the existing Melwood site and as local to the site would like to be given the dream opportunity of living on the new development site.
- Yes, I would prefer the second option to retain the 5 aside pitches.
- Overall, positive. More open space would be preferable, but main concern is traffic pressure. West Derby already struggles with unsustainable traffic volumes e.g. Jolly Miller pub/Queens Drive.
- Looks really good love the second layout.
- Second choice looks good.



GENERAL COMMENTS



- The map legend colours on the proposals do not match up with the colours drawn out on the map, therefore making it very difficult to locate what is being described. The semi detached on the legend matches up with the detached on the map and there is not a colour on the legend that matches the semi detached on the maps. The detached on the legend is a duplicate of the colour of the bungalows on the legend and the bungalows on the map. This aside, I am impressed with the second proposal. The extra care over 55's residence is something that is much needed in the area. I have to admit that I was sceptical that you would be true to your word with your early mention of listening to the West Derby community regarding retaining the Melwood facilities building and the five a side footballing pitch for use by the local community. Proposal two actually secures the future of these aspects, which results in you leaving a lasting Melwood legacy which gives a nod to what went before and allows the new residents and the current residents to benefit from this together. I was against the development from the beginning, but if you opt to proceed with proposal two, then you will have won myself and I imagine the majority of local residents round. I sincerely hope that you follow through with plan two as it will assist in improving the lives, health and mental well being of current residents and the new residents that we will be welcoming into the community for generations to come.
- Parks are needed in the area; we have already lost Springfield Park due to the new Alder Hey building and even less of this park than originally agreed will be returned on completion of the hospital. The Melwood facilities should be kept for use by the local community and the grounds should be used as a public park. Liverpool council should not have allowed this land to be sold for even more housing developments in Liverpool. The city is already overrun with new developments which are not needed
- Melwood facilities should be kept for sporting and community use.
- I hope that someone is found to rent the football pitch as it would be an asset to keep for local children and groups.
- I find the layout looks like a concrete jungle. The houses lack character and are not in keeping with other houses in the area. The overall look from your video is a selection of modern square looking buildings very close to each other with concrete walkways in-between. Could they not be more traditional looking?
- 195 houses seems a lot for the size of the site. The original plans were for 160 and everyone said it was too many. Plans look okay on paper, but what about the number of cars on development?



GENERAL COMMENTS



- I prefer option 1, with the enhanced amount of green space - there are already 5-a-side football pitches at the Cardinal Heenan and Peter Lloyd Leisure Centres, so I don't believe it is necessary for the Melwood development to include a 5-a-side pitch.
- the plans are not that clear colour coded for which is detached and which is bungalow. Both are yellow, does not show road ent\exit clear enough.
- I live opposite the training ground on Melwood drive. I have serious concerns about the build. I have live here for over 10 years, when I first moved in there were no real issues with flooding in my garden and the previous owners had no real issues either. But over the parts 5 years or so it's gradually got worse. The flooding being the worst ever this year. Needing to wear wellies to get to the back of the garden being around 1.5 feet deep in the whole of the garden. We even tried buying a pump to get rid of the water but it did nothing the quicker we were draining it into our main drain it was filling back up, it has been awful our lovely garden is always like a bog. There seems to be something wrong with drainage around here that is getting gradually worse each year. I don't see this as our problem as a homeowner as we didn't build the drains? I think it has gotten worse since LFC had new drains put in, it seems to put more pressure on our homes. This will get worse with the new build and worries me of what will happen to our gardens. I do have pictures and video evidence of the flooding if needed! I also have worries around traffic, I can barely get off my drive as it is traffic on Melwood is heavy!
- Architecture must be in keeping with existing buildings. Those at your Kensington development are just out of place. Brick is good, but three story is too high, and they must match those in existence on Melwood. The traffic, flooding issues are the great concern, so whilst I agree that the sporting hall is kept, I worry about any development bringing in more people and traffic. The green space is welcome, BUT, what safeguards are in place to stop them being taken over by gangs of youths, with their disruptive behaviour, ebikes and noise? How long before those flower beds get destroyed. People want peace and quiet, not noise and disruption. Has any thought been given to this?



GENERAL COMMENTS



- Supported living sounds great but needs to be designed with people's and community needs in mind. Not the best place for care leaver a who generally do not have support in place to protect them and community.
- I am against any building of homes on this sports ground and fantastic sporting facilities. I believe that the site should be used for much needed sports facilities for the local community and schools.
- I have seen the new plans, my opinion hasn't changed since the first consultation. There are far too many houses. We are already an overpopulated area, over subscribed schools, unable to get doctors appointments. This is aside from the traffic congestion and flooding in the area. Torus should be bold and take a different direction and create something of benefit for the current community and not adding to it. I've seen the times article stating Steven Gerard's interest, you should look to work with him to benefit all.
- The last thing this area needs is more housing. I live on Melwood Drive and the traffic is appalling at peak times and the tailback can reach well over a kilometre from Queens Drive. Mill Lane is effectively a no go zone because of the time it takes the traffic jam to crawl by the junction. Deysbrook Lane itself cannot cope with more traffic either and it is effectively one lane due to parked up cars. 200 more houses is ridiculous, how many more cars and journeys will this bring to West Derby which has clearly reached saturation point, the drains are overflowing here regularly and not so very long ago a small child was killed as a result of the overloaded and jam packed roads.
- A lot of the language used is pretentious, overly technical and condescending. "Materiality" and "quantum of parking" are prime examples.
- I believe that the amenities that are available in this area will not be sufficient for what you are suggesting ! The congestion of traffic that already exists in Croxteth Hall Lane & Melwood drive will be horrendous
- There is no mention of how or where all the new residents will access services such as schools and doctors , the facilities in the area are already massively oversubscribed ???
- I can't see that a few soak away areas will help with the flooding that we have down the road in Deysbrook.



GENERAL COMMENTS



- Design looks cheap. I expect there will be gangs/groups of kids/teenagers sitting off in the area with plants in. I would also expect them to easily be able to run away down the many alley ways from police etc. Looks like the John Baggot design of the 70's. I expect crime and anti-social behaviour to thrive.
- There has been no mention of a new primary school (the existing local schools are already oversubscribed), no mention of extra GP services and no mention of the impact on traffic using Mill Lane - especially at peak times. Due to new housing being built on Mill Lane itself in recent times as well as the addition of Aldi, M&S and Costa on Queens Drive, the already narrow road is often backed up with cars/buses right down Barnfield Drive at busy periods. This is the main route into the city centre and needs less traffic, not more! Then there is the issue of local shops... Apart from Tesco, there are none to speak of in the immediate area of Melwood; presumably residents will then bring their cars into the Village in order to shop, causing even more mayhem.
- There's not 100% guarantee there will be no flooding once the houses are built.. Building more houses is not saving green environment. There be more traffic congestion in West Derby, which already heavy, there's proof in Mill Lane where Redrow have built new houses. Looked like we still be wearing face masks once this pandemic over, with toxic fumes from cars, lorries etc. Melwood should be left as a sport centre, keep the green field. Its will definitely be environment friendly. Also the schools are already overcrowded, at the Medical Centres will have long wait for appointment to see a Doctor. As far as I'm concerned your reports are misleading. No more Houses should be built in WEST DERBY.. Enough is enough..
- The layout primarily does not fully utilise the existing buildings and green areas on the Melwood site and has many areas that create a 'rabbit run'. Both layout options create excessive new population in the area which the area cannot handle with regards to schooling, health care (doctors/dentist) , traffic congestion, drainage and flooding issues. All the above will be adding to an already over congested and flooded infrastructure which the community already suffers with. In our opinion we do not feel that the community have been listened to, at any point by your company in the past, present or with regards to these proposals, the future, in regards to use of existing facilities and green space, and your priority seems to be, added housing, which is not needed in this overpopulated and flood risk area. Your proposals show that the views of the community have never been listened to at any point by yourselves as this is not what is wanted by the West Derby community.



GENERAL COMMENTS



- The presentation was idealised and ridiculously romantic, but at the same time, disingenuous. You have glossed over the objection in relation to increased traffic, and have not addressed at all, the issues in relation to the lack of school places, increased use of public transport and no vacancies at GP surgeries. Despite your views on the environmentally positive aspects of this development, it is clear that the development is driven by greed and profit, and you have not listened to the views that your plans of 192/195 dwellings is far too high to foster the close-knit community that you are predicting; instead, there will be conflict and dissatisfaction with the reality of so many people being shoe-horned into such a tight space. Surrounding streets will suffer from excess parking, as most families now own two cars.....has that been factored in? It is ridiculous relying on traffic figures from 2017 as there is already a frustrating traffic situation on Melwood and Deysbrook Lane during peak times, so how on earth you can say that this development will reduce the amount of traffic, is breath-taking, and dishonest. There are no school places in West Derby, so where do you propose that the children of these families will attend school. The buses up and down Melwood are completely full as they go up the Drive in peak hours, meaning more people will have to use their own vehicles to get to work.....a bit counter-productive to your environmentally friendly plans!!
- Full of embarrassing jargon. Learn when to use "animated". What's that Section again for the Suds? What Act is that then. What's a LLFA? This is a disgrace. What are you doing with the traffic again? You don't seem to mention how you will deal with the additional traffic generated by the scheme. I really don't care what your vision is, its the impact of the vision that worries me.
- This area has been used as a luxury training site which has produced the best team in the world - these plans look cheap and will produce problems for families trying to bring up children whilst groups/gangs of children hang around outside their homes.
- Sorting out schools. Drs and highways for the large influx of people !
- We can not have this build the people who already live in this area already suffer because of all the other houses that have been allowed. We can not get DR's appointments. The roads and gardens flood when we have rain. The roads can not take any more cars they are congested all the time. The schools are over subscribed.
- There is nothing that will be able to alleviate the additional traffic.



GENERAL COMMENTS



- Our local MP has stated he is supporting the retention of green spaces so I'm shocked and disappointed if he supports the change of this site from sports area to residential. Now that the government are thankfully overseeing the planning in Liverpool I will be making my feelings known to the communities secretary.
- Ugly, futuristic styles.
- I personally am not keen on 3 storey townhouses, they take away the character of West Derby.
- This level of housing will create problems for the residents already in place.
- West Derby Melwood site does not require your proposed housing in any form, description, or capacity for any persons to meet their ability living needs or pocket. What the site needs is to be retained as it is to be used by the local community for sports socialising and grass roots facilities for all age groups. PLEASE PLEASE LISTEN TO OUR COMMUNITIES VIEWS HOUSING IN ANY SHAPE OR FORM IS NOT NEEDED, AND WE REQUIRE THE CURRENT FACILITIES TO BE RETAINED. It would be a travesty if any facilities were to be demolished or used for housing purposes.
- Have you obtained change of use status? The area is extremely well known for flooding - only need to look at news reports from latest heavy rain in Liverpool to see flooding within area. The building of more houses will cause more problems even will yours plans in place. West Derby is densely populated and traffic in Melwood and surrounding areas is horrendous, schools and doctors dentists facilities already overwhelmed. Do not build here.
- Housing in Liverpool is in the surplus. Additional housing is not needed. There are derelict houses in parts of the city which could be developed and regenerated rather than building from scratch on green land. These derelict houses are bringing the city down and they should be the priority to be invested in.
- Also, the schools just can't handle any more we only have 2 primary schools in the area, and these are already overcrowded.



GENERAL COMMENTS



- No more housing at all, you have not taken into account the impact this along with all the other builds that are in the offing will have on the people of West Derby.
- I am sure the end product will be nothing like the plans.
- The houses will just get bought by private landlords and let out.
- New residents should have more private space of their own. We feel concerned at the word 'vibrancy' because this denotes noise, crowding and over-population. We're strongly against this and would like to see fewer houses sold at a higher-price. Additionally, the club facility does not mean a lot to us unless a viable purchaser can be found long-term, although it could be a really good membership facility of some kind and run privately. There is a lot of focus on 'community' but what matters most to people is their own space, privacy and reduced noise (not 'vibrancy'). These values of space, quiet and privacy are key to the area, so less focus on 'vibrancy'. Green space is always good and welcome, but it should be mainly private (rather than communal) so that it is valued and cared-for.
- We need explanation on your proposals to manage the significant increase in traffic, particularly at peak times.
- All the schools in the area are over subscribed. Doctors are all at bursting point. Traffic congestion is appalling so the area can not take and more traffic at peak times. There is serious flooding in the area because West Derby is built on underground streams. No family with the money to afford a property there would possibly want to move their children there because of the increased gang activity, petty crimes, intimidation and serious vandalism. Anyone doing their homework on the area will know of the nightly throwing of bricks through windows of local houses, car vandalism, threatening behaviour and burglary.
- I don't see how 3 story town houses fit into the immediate roads, housing look...they are some on The Point estate hidden away behind Tesco but that's a lot further away from this site, and surrounding properties do not reflect town house profile.
- People like us cannot afford the houses, the prices are out of our range. My husband & I would never get a mortgage, even the rented houses would cost more than we're paying now!



GENERAL COMMENTS



- The majority of houses local to Melwood are semi detached, so I don't believe building more of these is providing added value to the area. Each of the three new developments built on Deysbrook Lane over the last ten years have done exactly this and added nothing but pressure on local services whether that be schools, doctors or traffic congestion (which ultimately impacts negatively on the local environment and the health of locals).
- The 3 storey townhouses built on The Point further down Deysbrook Lane, were welcomed at the time. Over the 10 years of their existence a number of them have eventually been used as HMO's to rent out individual rooms, this causes issues with neighbours due to parking and additional noise. The layout of 3 storey townhouses lend themselves to be used in this way by property landlords and as a result is the unfortunate legacy left on West Derby by the builders of The Point.
- Q17 NOT ANSWERED. Other than the drainage issue proposed in question 17 as this is a high risk flooding area, which has become worse in recent years with local new build developments. None of the other proposals in Q17 are acceptable and is why we did not answer Q17 as there was no comments available to us attached to Q17.
- Don't want houses filled with the wrong type of people.
- WE ARE NOT PREPARED TO ANSWER Q19&20 AS WE DO NOT WANT A HOUSING DEVELOPMENT OF ANY DESCRIPTION OR CAPACITY ON THE MELWOOD SITE HOWEVER THE SET UP OF THIS SITE DOES NOT ALLOW US TO BYPASS THESE QUESTIONS AND SUBMIT THIS ONLINE CONSULTATION WITHOUT PUTTING THE SAID Q&A IN ORDER TO ENABLE SUBMISSION OF THE CONSULTATION. ANOTHER GLITCH IN YOUR ONLINE SYSTEM, NOT ALLOWING THE INDIVIDUAL TO EXPRESS THEIR OPINION IN A COMMENTS BOX AND NOT ANSWER THE QUESTION AS YOU WANT.
- Its wrong and its all corruption given Government have intervened into LCC. I'm not even sure Torus has the appropriate licence or authority to build here.
- The area is far too small for these proposals.



GENERAL COMMENTS



- No housing at all is acceptable on the site. The community has been communicating this to you since you acquired the site and asked for our opinion over the last few years, and yet you are still planning a housing development on the site!
- Personally, I don't want this to be used for housing at all, Liverpool football club should have donated the site to the whole community.
- I find the lack of consultation with residents in this area a disgrace.
- Not as many houses you cant get appointment at doctors now and lots of traffic now.
- The area has had hundreds of new houses built over the last few years and cannot support any more.
- West Derby is bulging with houses if you lived here you would feel the same.
- All the housing is over provided. We are a highly populated area, there are already several recently built housing estates very near to Melwood which is most definitely responsible for local flooding. The area can't cope with more housing.
- Houses we really don't need to add to the population of west derby it's making the area go downhill.
- Less houses as the area is already at breaking point with anti social behaviour, gangs and a medical centre illequiped to deal with more people. The roads are already too busy.
- I would prefer to see no houses on this site (x2)

