

Trowbridge Future High Streets Fund Update

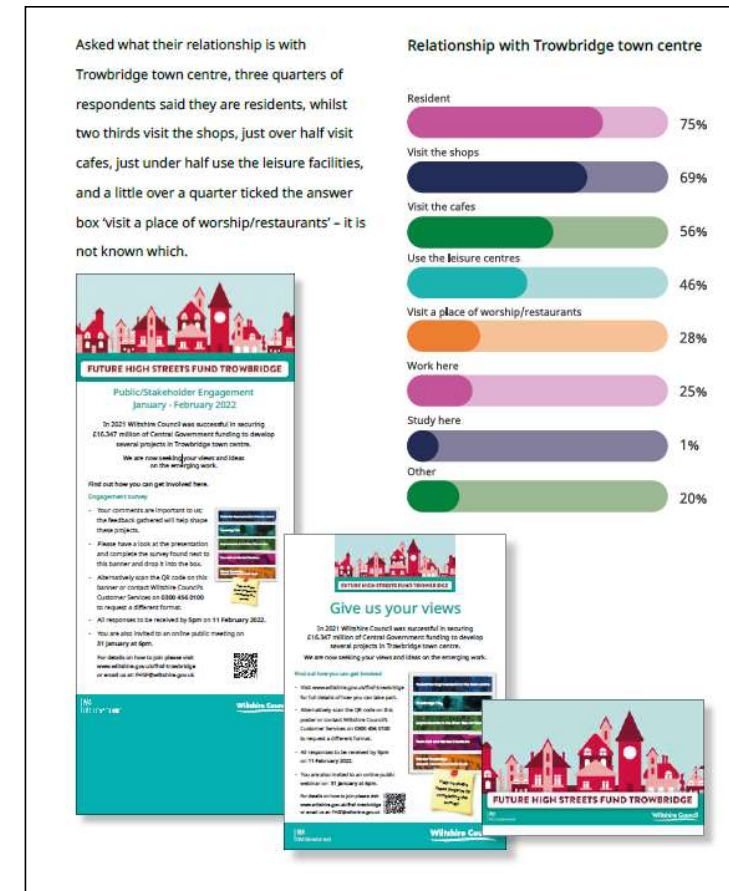
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FHSF Public Engagement

- January/February 2022 saw an opportunity for stakeholders and residents to learn more about the overall programme aims and objectives, as well as the concepts for each of the projects.
- The survey conducted over a two-week period from 27 January to 11 February 2022, was an early opportunity to ask questions and seek feedback to help shape the delivery of the proposed programme of investment for Trowbridge. We received:
 - 415 RESPONSES:
 - 348 ONLINE
 - 58 ON PAPER
 - 9 BY EMAIL
- Engagement report is available online at [Future High Streets Fund Trowbridge - Wiltshire Council](https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/future-high-streets-fund-trowbridge)



FHSF Public Engagement

River Biss Corridor

- A strong majority, 79% of those answering the question, thought the proposals were a good/excellent idea.
- 9% commented on the wildlife/nature/environmental aspects.
- 9% suggested keeping it clean and having more litter bins.
- 8% commented on making sure it was safe.
- 6% expressed negative views

The Trowbridge Trail

The proposals for a Trowbridge Trail were well received.

- Nearly two thirds of those answering the question said that it was a good/excellent idea,
- 11% feeling that it would encourage tourism.
- 12% gave a negative answer.

Town Hall

Asked how the offer from the Town Hall venue could be improved, there was a wide range of answers: 13% suggested good spaces for hire, 7% mentioned parent/baby classes, 7% mentioned disability access, and 5% suggested having a café or restaurant. 7% gave negative answers, and 9% feel it would be a waste of money, other things being more important.

Trowbridge FHSF – Project Update

Project 1.1 - Highways

- Design work is progressing on the 5 locations – Atkins have been appointed for design
- Technical work progressing

Project 1.2 – River Biss

- Landmark have been appointed to undertake the design consultancy and costing work
- Technical surveys are progressing
- RIBA stage 3 designs to be complete and ready for review in mid July
- Budget and delivery plan will follow

Project 1.3 – Trowbridge Trail

- RIBA stage 3 designs to be ready by mid-July
- Project will then be reviewed by Wiltshire Council and Atkins for further development and delivery

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Project 2.1 – Town Hall

- RIBA stage 2 is underway
- Town Hall Trust business case scrutiny ongoing

Project 2.2 – Market Chamber

- Project optioneering continues although there are risks around a lack of deliverable options that would secure long term viability. Possible solutions, including the delivery of the same outcomes via the vacant unit grants project is being explored.

Project 3 – Vacant Units Grant

- Project Manager has changed and review is ongoing
- Scheme scheduled to launch over summer

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