

Consultation with Young People: Mansfield Town Centre Master Plan



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1. Introduction

- 1.1 Helen Metcalfe from Planning With People was commissioned, in October 2021, to engage young people in consultation on the Mansfield Town Centre Master Plan. Helen was shown around the town centre on 17th November 2021 by Mansfield District Council (MDC) officers Tracey Tucker and Katie Mills.
- 1.2 Covid meant a delay to the format and timing of the consultation sessions. Three consultation sessions took place on the 19th and 26th January and feedback was received from 61 young people aged between 13 and 20. The attendees were from Manor Academy (Mansfield Woodhouse), The Brunt Academy, and Vision West Notts College (VWNC).
- 1.3 The three sessions took place online due to covid restrictions. The sessions were live and allowed for interaction via a Q and A session. Whilst the face to face walkabout was not possible due to covid, the session included a virtual walkabout on google maps street view which did enable the young people to be taken along the streets and roads to the key areas that were the focus of the discussion. Helen provided discussion along the way explaining the historic and more recent development to the town centre that has created the issues and opportunities for the Master Plan
- 1.4 Pupils at the Brunt Academy and Manor Academy were in class rooms and watched the session on a big screen. Some of the Vision West Notts College students watched on individual lap tops others were grouped in a class room on site. All attendees completed a survey – the college students were able to do this on line as part of the session. The school pupils completed paper copies that were inputted by Tracey Tucker.
- 1.5 Additional feedback was provided by staff at King Edward Primary School who worked with their School Council to provide comments on the ideas in the Master Plan.
- 1.6 The format for each session was the same (see Appendix A). Helen provided an overview via a power point presentation (see Appendix B) about why a master plan had been prepared and why their feedback was so important. There was not time to discuss all aspects of the master plan proposals. As part of the walkabout in November Helen had confirmed that the following sites or proposals were matters of particular relevance for young people.
 - I. The Four Seasons
 - II. Beales
 - III. The Market Place
 - IV. Greening the town centre
 - V. Improving walking and cycling into and around the town centre
 - VI. Whether promoting the use of scooters was a good idea (this was a discussion point and not a question in the survey)
- 1.7 Having listened to the presentation and allowed time for discussion with Tracey, Katie and Helen, all attendees were asked to complete the survey which was online and reproduced as a paper copy (See Appendix C).



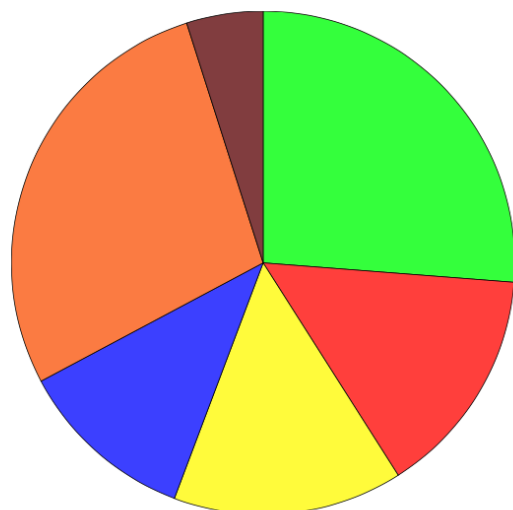
2. Feedback

Below are the findings from the survey - they show the combined results from Brunts Academy (29) Manor Academy (12) and Vision West Notts College (20). The pie charts show the answer to the binary questions but the young people were encouraged to provide further written comments as well if they wanted to. Any written comments relating to the question are in the text box – this also includes some of the points recorded in the q and a discussion and in the chat bar that went on as part of the VWNC presentation. General comments about the town centre are in section 3.



Question responses: **61 (100.00%)**

1. How often do you visit the town centre?



	% Total	% Answer	Count
More than 3 times per week	26.23%	26.23%	16
Once a week	14.75%	14.75%	9
Twice a month	14.75%	14.75%	9
Monthly	11.48%	11.48%	7
Occasionally	27.87%	27.87%	17
Never	4.92%	4.92%	3
Total	100.00%	100.00%	61

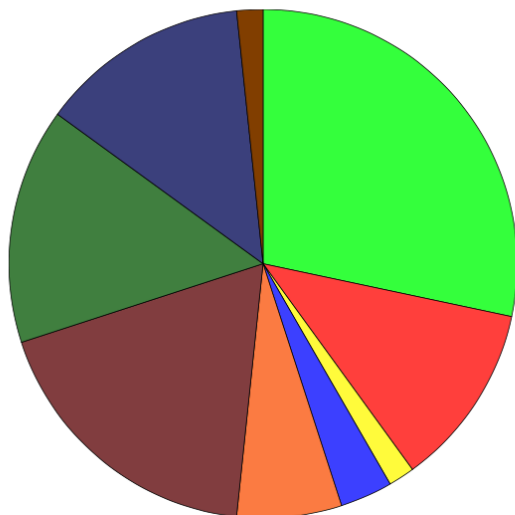
It is significant that 28% of respondents only visited the town centre occasionally.

VWNC : We need more shops and bars in the centre it feels like you would only go there for the market
 I think what I am getting from the students at WNC is that there needs to be more reason to go to a town centre, for example, the corner house in Nottingham has a cinema, food and casino, arcade etc... Hockley is now 13th in the UK but is nearly all restaurant based



Question responses: **60 (98.36%)**

2. Which of the following do you think **MOST** needs improving in Mansfield town centre?



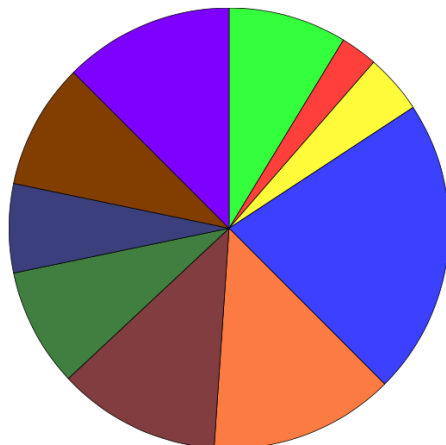
	% Total	% Answer	Count
■ Cleanliness	27.87%	28.33%	17
■ Shopping	11.48%	11.67%	7
■ Car parking	1.64%	1.67%	1
■ Public transport	3.28%	3.33%	2
■ Events	6.56%	6.67%	4
■ Safety	18.03%	18.33%	11
■ Nightlife	14.75%	15.00%	9
■ Open spaces / greenery	13.11%	13.33%	8
■ Restaurants / cafes	1.64%	1.67%	1
■ [No Response]	1.64%	--	1
Total	100.00%	100.00%	61

It is significant to note that whilst cleanliness scores the highest this was not a factor mentioned very much in the discussion. Most discussion across all 3 sessions was around the lack of a variety of shops and cafes. There was nothing to do in the town centre and there is strong interest in a town centre cinema, the provision of a social hub and place to do homework. More leisure and entertainment were seen as key to make young people want to go into the town.



Question responses: **61 (100.00%)**

3a. What do you think is missing in the town centre?



	% Total	% Answer	Frequency	Count
Shops that sell clothes	8.70%	8.70%	26.23%	16
Sports shops	2.72%	2.72%	8.20%	5
Other shops (please say below)	4.35%	4.35%	13.11%	8
Places to meet friends	21.74%	21.74%	65.57%	40
Places to eat out	13.59%	13.59%	40.98%	25
Cinema	11.96%	11.96%	36.07%	22
Laser quest	8.70%	8.70%	26.23%	16
Bounce	6.52%	6.52%	19.67%	12
Cafes	9.24%	9.24%	27.87%	17
Other (please say below)	12.50%	12.50%	37.70%	23
Total	100.00%	100.00%	0%	184

VWNC Move one of the overcrowded West Notts College sites to Mansfield Town Centre there would then be more learners in the town centre, more money for local businesses and shops.

VWNC For better night life, it could be useful to have more micropubs and places to congregate that aren't wetherspoons and clubs, more outside seating/lounge areas. Maybe some more clothes shops as you've only got Primark and a couple of others in 4 seasons

Provide a building to tell the Robin Hood Story. There is nowhere in Nottinghamshire that tells this for visitors coming to the County. Sherwood Forest and Nottingham Castle removed their displays on this.

Need equal amount of restaurants that are walking distance from the centre. I only really see one McDonald's, a couple of bakeries and a subway. Need to create places for students coming home from college or university to relax, study and meet other students.



Question responses: **59 (96.72%)**

Movement:

4. Do you agree or disagree with the ideas to make cycling and walking into the town centre easier?



	% Total	% Answer	Count
■ Agree	90.16%	93.22%	55
■ Disagree	6.56%	6.78%	4
■ [No Response]	3.28%	--	2
Total	100.00%	100.00%	61

This prompted a wider discussion about public transport and e scooters and the use of cars

VWNC I have personally used E-Scooters and they are great. They are quite cheap, they are fully electric meaning no negative impact on the environment. Yes they need to be policed properly (X amount of miles from the town centre before they shut off?). I believe they would have a positive contribution to Mansfield.

I do not agree with escooters as I do not think town is big enough and it has negative connotations throughout the country

We have a lot of issues with buses, they aren't reliable and they are early in a lot of places; I use the Trent Barton and Stagecoach services, whilst most the services are good the pronto buses are not always the most reliable

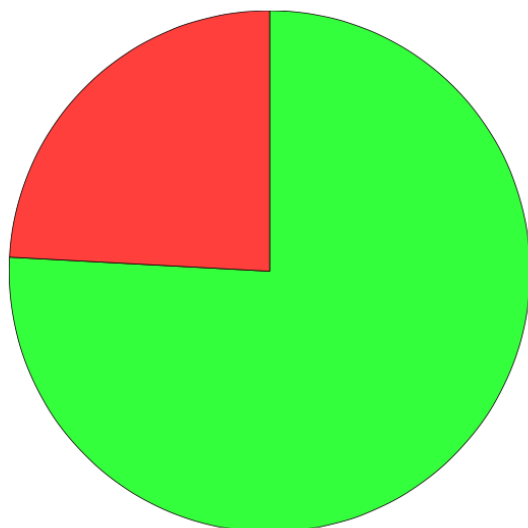
I think it is extremely important to make students who can drive feel a lot happier with student parking at the minute. People on chesterfield road have to move their cars every 2-3 hours in fear of getting a ticket. Need student parking at Chesterfield Road College

VWNC would like to use trams to get around



Question responses: **58 (95.08%)**

5. Would the ideas in the masterplan make you more likely to cycle or walk in and around the town?



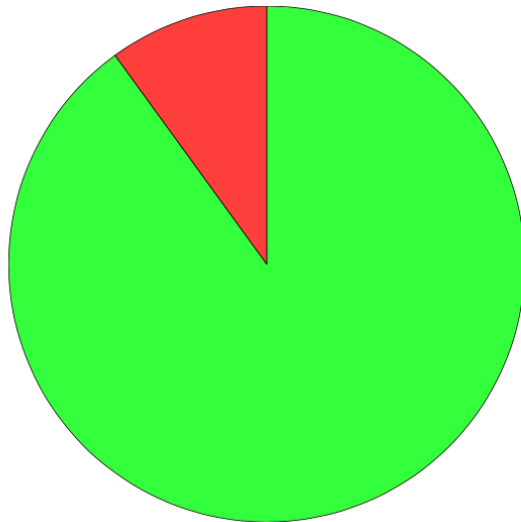
	% Total	% Answer	Count
■ Yes	72.13%	75.86%	44
■ No	22.95%	24.14%	14
■ [No Response]	4.92%	--	3
Total	100.00%	100.00%	61

From the schools the discussion noted that the lack of pavements especially around the Travel Lodge and walking to the Odeon is not easy.
 The under passes do not feel safe
 More open spaces, better lighting and activity in the evening would make the town feel safer
 The school pupils at The Brunts Academy felt that more police officers would make town feel safer for them to walk around.
 VWNC commented that the area feels blocked off, the idea of opening up and introducing new modes of transport is a good idea
 There was concern to make sure that there remained good access for people with disability. With cycling and walking into town there is the problem of taking it away from disabled who may not be able to walk or walk far to get to town.



Question responses: **60 (98.36%)**

6. Do you agree or disagree with the idea of adding more trees and green spaces within the town?



	% Total	% Answer	Count
■ Agree	88.52%	90.00%	54
■ Disagree	9.84%	10.00%	6
■ [No Response]	1.64%	--	1
Total	100.00%	100.00%	61

When adding greenery, make sure it doesn't overgrow because some places have overgrown plants that make you not want to walk around there. There was a specific reference to the walk to the Odeon in this regard.

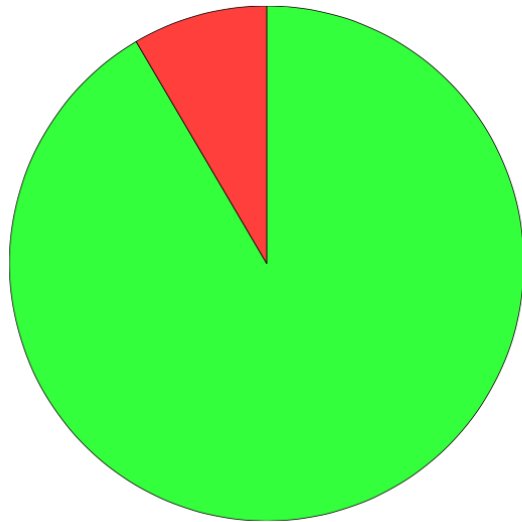
There was strong support for the idea of creating outdoor space to meet and socialise, more places to sit, e.g. benches / tables surrounded by pleasant greenery or small Parisian cafes in summer to sit and drink and chat.

Small parks and gathering areas would make people's visits to the town centre more pleasant. Also making it more open may brighten up the area.



Question responses: **59 (96.72%)**

8. Do you agree or disagree with the ideas to improve Market Square?



	% Total	% Answer	Count
Agree	88.52%	91.53%	54
Disagree	8.20%	8.47%	5
[No Response]	3.28%	--	2
Total	100.00%	100.00%	61

Discussion during The Brunts Academy session highlighted support for having an outdoor cinema in the market place. This idea was discussed further in the other sessions. The need generally was for more entertainment and sports in the town centre and they see an important role for the market place in providing the space for that.

VWNC saw much potential in the market place, bring more life into the centre with pubs and bars. Maybe have some kind of entertainment in the centre such as singer ect

Shops around the perimeter of the market square, these could be open longer than the market stalls, increase the length of time shoppers stay in the market square area.

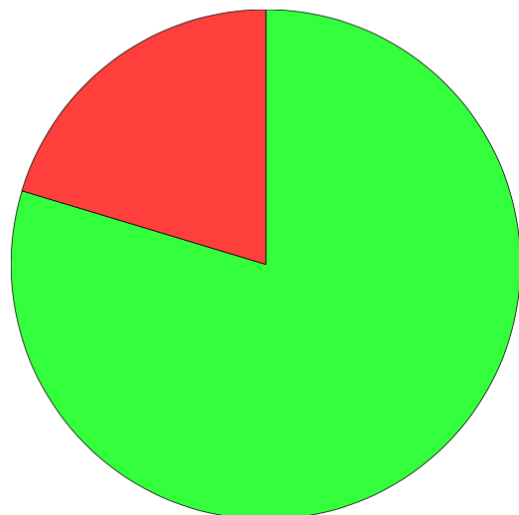
Definitely more seating but maybe small pop up cafes luring people in to spend more money and keeping people there for longer, making it more of a pleasant visit.

Perhaps a small children's play area.



Question responses: **59 (96.72%)**

9. Will the ideas in the masterplan make you more likely to want to spend time in the Market Square?



	% Total	% Answer	Count
■ Yes	77.05%	79.66%	47
■ No	19.67%	20.34%	12
■ [No Response]	3.28%	--	2
Total	100.00%	100.00%	61

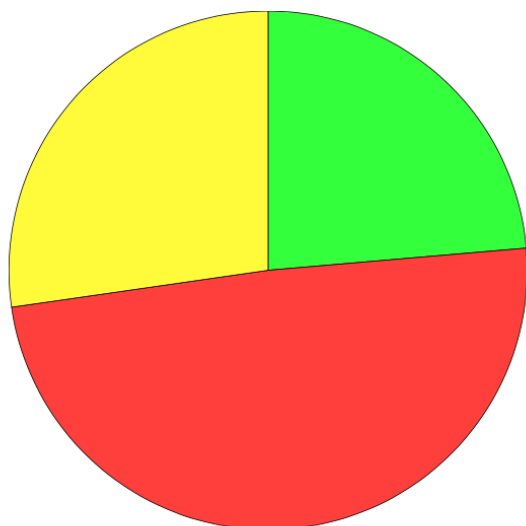
I think it would make the Market Place safer for children to meet friends.



Proposals for Former BHS Site

Question responses: **55 (90.16%)**

11. Which option do you think would work best for Mansfield town centre?



	% Total	% Answer	Count
■ Option 1 - Retain and reuse: larger retail occupier, leisure or public sector use.	21.31%	23.64%	13
■ Option 2 - Retain and refurbish: Covered retail arcade, workspace above. Could accommodate part of Mansfield Market from Market Square or deliver new food stalls.	44.26%	49.09%	27
■ Option 3 - Demolish and retain only frontage: Ground floor - cafe/shop/workspace, upper floors - residential.	24.59%	27.27%	15
■ [No Response]	9.84%	--	6
Total	100.00%	100.00%	61

Written comments and discussion raised the issue amongst the school pupils about the need for a wider variety of shops not just cheap chain stores. There also needed to be more cafes and places to go with friends e.g. kitty café, laser tag, indoor golf

VWNC The BHS building could perhaps be refurbished as an open plan building to allow more shops and stalls to operate from within drawing more attention to the town centre

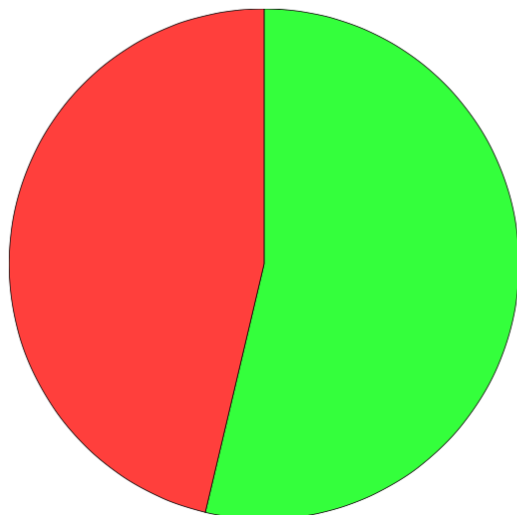
That stock monster shop is a complete waste of the building it's in... That could be turned into leisure

There was support for the inclusion of flats and apartments in the redevelopment of this site



Question responses: **54 (88.52%)**

12. Do you agree or disagree with the ideas to gradually return the area around the Four Seasons to houses, smaller shops and offices?



	% Total	% Answer	Count
■ Agree	47.54%	53.70%	29
■ Disagree	40.98%	46.30%	25
■ [No Response]	11.48%	--	7
Total	100.00%	100.00%	61

The findings were expanded in written comments that reflected the concern young people have about the loss of shops like Primark that still trades in the Four Seasons. Although during the Q and A it was made clear that the master plan would not remove successful retailers who wanted large retail floor space 41% of respondents still did not want to risk the loss of the Four Seasons.

VWNC I think it would be good gradually changing the Four Seasons but only if other entertainment facilities are developed. This is because the Four Seasons is the main attraction in town and if it wasn't there, there wouldn't be much else to do in town

The Four Seasons is really popular so taking it away may not be a good idea.

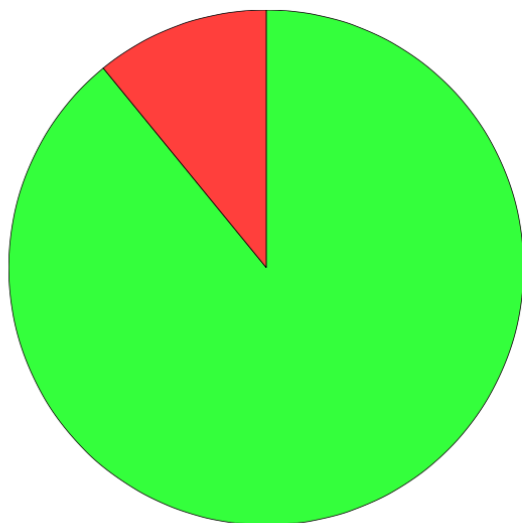
A lot of Four Seasons is still used and has a lot of use to most people. I think removing unused areas and building more indoor places for people to hang out.

I think that making the four seasons into housing will reduce the amount of people using the centre. I think this because it would stop me from coming into the centre



Question responses: **55 (90.16%)**

14. Do you agree with the council that the Beales site would be a good location for a mix of leisure, recreation, office and residential uses (on the top floors)?



	% Total	% Answer	Count
Yes	80.33%	89.09%	49
No	9.84%	10.91%	6
[No Response]	9.84%	--	6
Total	100.00%	100.00%	61

There was discussion about the value of Beales as a cinema space this was seen as a really good idea – the Odeon is designed for people to drive to, young people find it difficult and unsafe to walk there and there was a strong preference for having a cinema in town. Other uses for part of Beales included space to do homework and access the internet.

Written comments included the need to ensure that Beales included a space for young people – it could be a social hub.

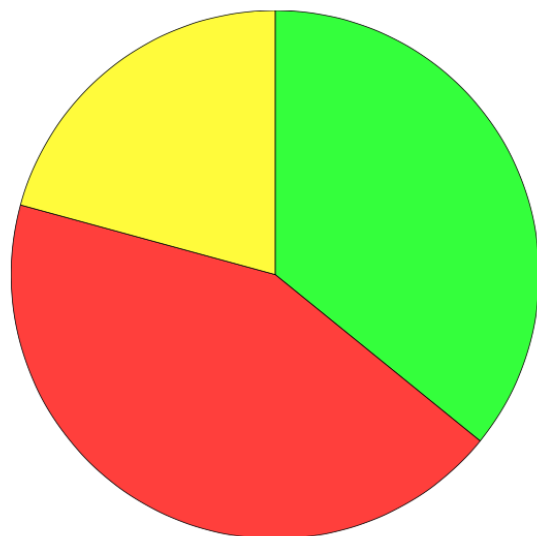
There was support across the sessions for increasing the number of flats and apartments as part of the redevelopment of Beales.



Proposals for Former Beales Site

Question responses: **53 (86.89%)**

15. Which option do you think would work best for Mansfield town centre?



	% Total	% Answer	Count
Option 1 - Retain and refurbish: for a range of uses, but more difficult to secure the best mix if keeping the whole building.	31.15%	35.85%	19
Option 2 - Retain the historic part and partly demolish the rest allows some flexibility in attracting new uses to the site.	37.70%	43.40%	23
Option 3 - Demolish and retain only the historic part: allows the most flexibility to redevelop the rest of the site.	18.03%	20.75%	11
[No Response]	13.11%	--	8
Total	100.00%	100.00%	61

VWNC commented on the sustainability of demolition – wouldn't reuse be better? They also questioned whether the demolition of large buildings risked ending up with a situation like the Broadmarsh.



3. Is there anything else that you want to say to the Council?

The town centre just needs a huge clean up and bring in a better variety of shops - not just charity shops, food and nail bars

I like the new food court they are building on the outside of town, but we need more shops as when you get into the town centre - there's barely anything there.

There are 100's of students from WNC and NTU in walking distance of the town if food and shops were appealing they would spend money there

I do not think we should fully base the Town centre on Leisure. I think shopping should still be prevalent to allow a town for all. I also think that more housing would defeat the point of it being a town

Indoor golf would be a good activity to bring in a range of age groups but it must be cost effective – golf in Nottingham £7 in Derby £3

There were also comments about the need to have shops and offices in the town centre that would be able to offer work experience to school pupils. (Bruns and Manor)

Could have more places suitable for younger children so more everyday people spend money?

These [new] shops need to be eye catching. The plans need to be open with easy access to everything your replacing (reflected concern about loss of disabled parking at the Four Seasons)

I'm unsure on whether a lot of the heritage in previous buildings inspires a lot of people to shop in Mansfield. Like you said it feels very 70s and the town should instead feel modern and easily accessible.

4. Additional Feedback King Edward Primary School

- 1.27 The original email from MDC in November 2021 was sent to all primary and secondary schools in the vicinity of the town. The Head of King Edward Primary School worked with her School Council to generate interest and discussion in the Master Plan. The pupils were asked to choose between 5 different options. What this feedback usefully shows is the perception young people have that there is very little purpose to going to the town centre because there is not much for them to do. They voted for more sports, new hobbies and activities. It should be noted that having more greenery (parks and open spaces) could actually facilitate the provision of new hobbies and these options should not in fact be seen as mutually exclusive. It is not known whether the pupils only had one vote or a number of votes to cast.



QUESTION

What would make you want to visit and spend time and money in Mansfield town centre?

QUESTION OPTIONS

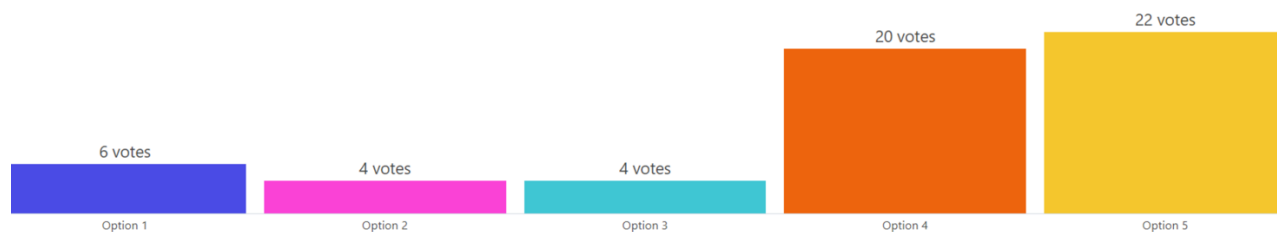
1. More greenery, e.g. parks and open spaces
2. Small independent shops that sell lots of different things
3. More food and drink options
4. More sports facilities
5. Exciting new hobbies and activities

SUBMITTED CLASSES

10 of 14

SESSION DATE

23 Nov 2021



5. Conclusion

- 1.28 The feedback ranged from local pupils/students aged between 7 and 20 at a primary school, two academy schools and Vision West Notts College.
- 1.29 The feedback from the teachers at the two schools and the session facilitator at college was very positive. *'Thank you so much for putting this session together for our students. I personally really enjoyed it and found it really interesting!'* Josh Levey VWNC *'Thank you so much for this session our children loved it.'* Kate Loach The Brunts Academy.
- 1.30 Engaging with these young people is so important – it is their future that will be the most affected and they know their town well. They asked incisive questions and remained involved throughout.
- 1.31 It should be noted that the feedback on the proposals to demolish the Four Seasons was the least supported (46% disagreed). Whilst the Four Seasons is under used by most age groups it seems it is probably most used by this cohort. The Four Seasons evidently does provide them with a relatively safe and clean indoor space to meet up and many respondents shop at Primark – which seems to be one of the few reasons they still go into town.
- 1.32 However, the Council should note that with the exception of the Four Seasons, the survey findings show there is resounding support for the approach set out in the Master Plan. There may require evidence/reassurance that other sites (e.g., Beales, Market Place or the BHS site) will provide the meeting space and retail offer that presently exists at the Four Seasons before there is much change to the Four Seasons.

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Appendix A Session Format



19.01.22

Mansfield Town Centre - A Master Plan for Regeneration

What do you think?

9.15	Hello and introductions – session is on line
9.20	Why Mansfield town centre needs a plan for regeneration, what the main ideas are for the key sites and why we want to hear from you includes time for questions
10.00	Breakout to complete the online (or paper) survey to be guided by teachers, planners available on teams to assist as required
10.20	Submit on line forms (by 10.20) Short Break
10.30	Discussion of survey findings between the students and MDC officers (based on submission of online survey) Q and A – students have the opportunity to ask questions of the planners
10.45	Close

Appendix B Presentation

Mansfield Town Centre A Masterplan for Regeneration

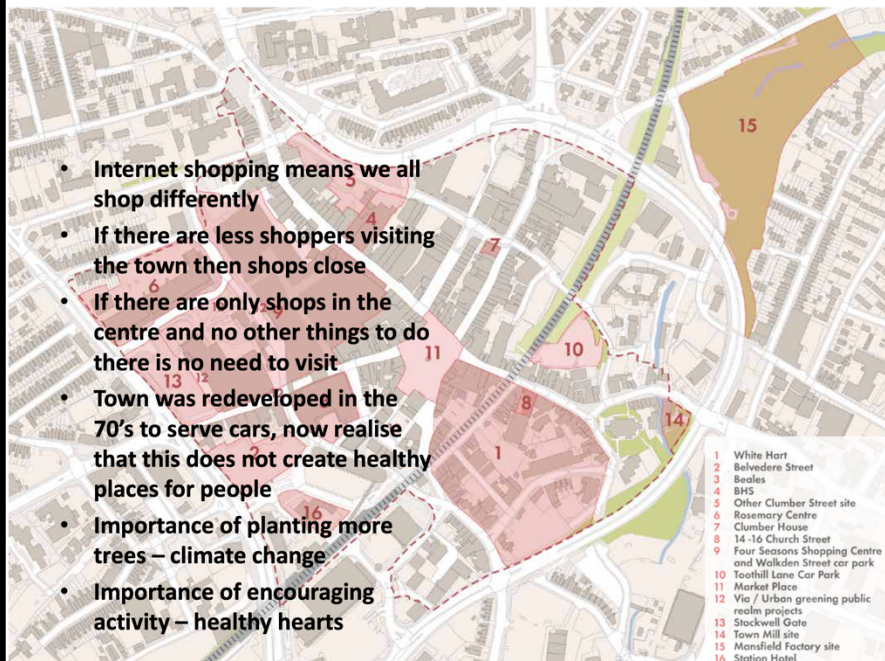
- To deal with left over and visible sites – empty buildings reflect the change in how we shop and how we manufacture
- Preserve heritage but also modernise and innovate
- Repurpose the town centre away from retail and towards a mix of uses including education, housing and leisure
- Make it easier to walk and cycle around
- Make the public spaces greener



Your opinions matter

- 15 year plan – this will affect your future
- What do you like and don't you like about the town centre?
- What do you think is missing from the town centre?
- What do you think to the ideas proposed?
- Is there anything else you would like to see?
- There will be a chance to ask questions

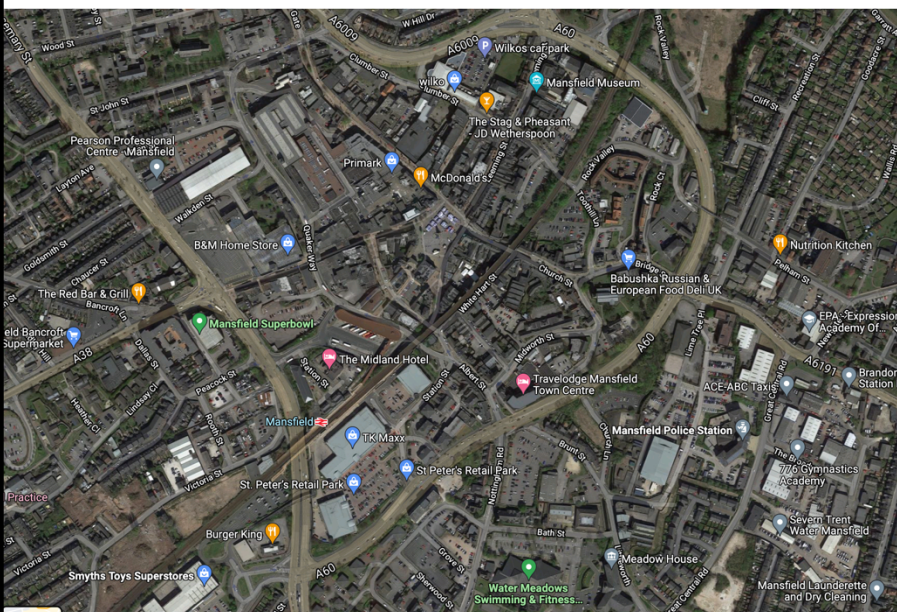
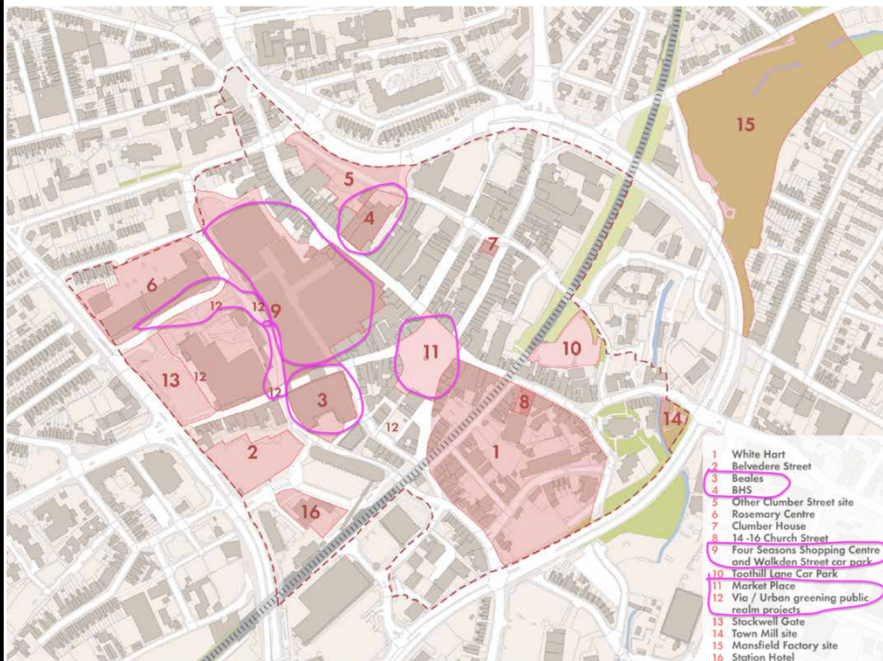




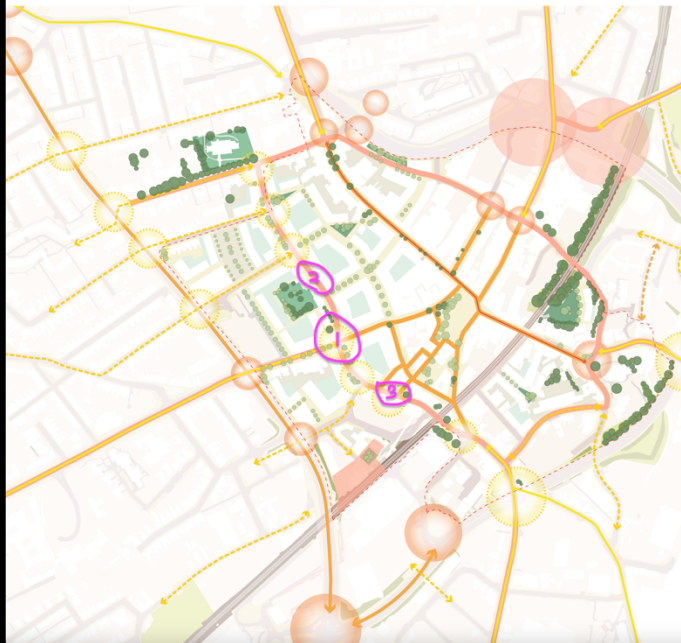
Covid: what did we learn?

- Importance of quality of your local environment
- What is in your local area really matters
- How easily can you get to public open space (e.g. parks) and how good is it?
- Impact on town centres – covid accelerated move to online shopping
- Large shops closed, what is a town centre for? How do we reuse the space?
- Towns can be places to meet and have fun and live, more than just for buying things
- Greater interest in idea of 20 minute neighbourhoods – walkable for all your needs; work, cinema, sports, dancing, meeting friends for food, your home and some shopping



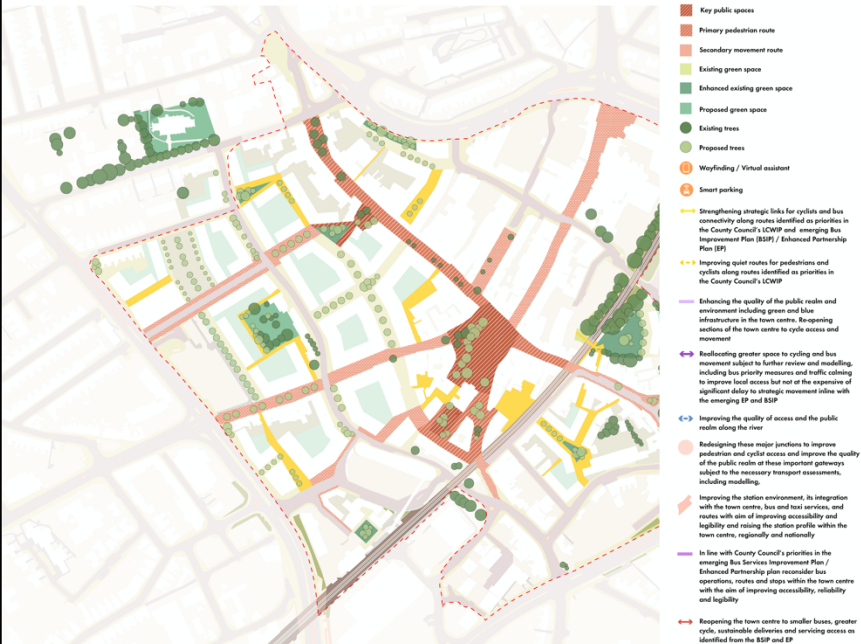


Some Issues



- Short Term**
- Consider improvements to existing pedestrian and cyclist crossings and the introduction of new crossing facilities on routes identified as priorities in the County Council's Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP)
 - Consider strengthening strategic links for cyclists and bus connectivity along routes identified as priorities in the County Council's LCWIP and emerging Bus Improvement Plan (BIP) / Enhanced Partnership Plan (EPP)
 - Consider improving quiet routes for pedestrians and cyclists along routes identified as priorities in the County Council's LCWIP
- Medium Term**
- Where the necessary transport assessments indicate it is practical to do so, consider redesigning junctions, improving gateways and introducing greater road space for pedestrians and cyclists along routes identified as priorities in the County Council's LCWIP
 - Consider improvements to the quality of the public realm and environment including introduction of green and blue infrastructure in appropriate locations in the town centre. Consider re-opening sections of the town centre to cycle access and movement
 - Subject to further review and modelling consider the reallocation of greater space to cycling and bus movement on this link, including bus priority measures and traffic calming, to improve local access but not at the expense of significant delay to strategic movement links with the emerging EPP and BIP
 - Improve the quality of access and the public realm along the river
- Long Term**
- Subject to the necessary transport assessments, including modelling, redesign these major junctions to improve pedestrian and cyclist access and improve the quality of the public realm at these important gateways
 - Improve the station environment, its integration with the town centre, bus and rail services, and routes with aim of improving accessibility and legibility and raising the station profile within the town centre, regionally and nationally
 - In line with County Council's priorities in the emerging Bus Services Improvement Plan / Enhanced Partnership Plan reconsider bus operations, routes and stops within the town centre with the aim of improving accessibility, reliability and legibility
 - Consider re-opening the town centre to smaller buses, greater cycle, sustainable deliveries and servicing access as identified from the BIP and EPP





Market Square



Figure 1.24: Top - a historic view of the Market Square with a huge number of stalls. Below - a retraction in the number of stalls offers an opportunity to rethink the proportion of the space that is given over to this use



Market Square

- Divide area to allow activities for old and young people
- Flexible design but never feels empty can be used day or night
- Create space to eat and drink



Figure 1.25: The western side illustrates a town garden. The eastern side is retained as a flexible space for the market and events.

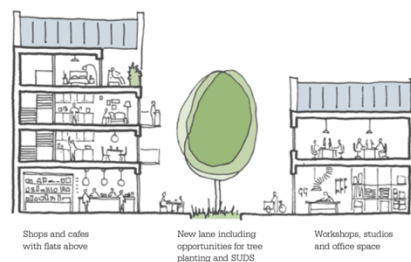


Former BHS Building

- Deep plot
- Link with market uses (indoor market?)
- Put a Lane through to connect to site on Clumber Street?
- Link to Four Season retail uses?

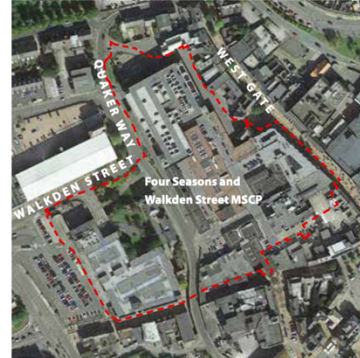


Lane Section



Four Seasons

- Dominates the centre of town
- Very large retail space not needed
- Empty shops effects the towns vitality
- Scale, size, design not in keeping with historic centre
- Turns its back on sites to the west and north where access is via pedestrian tunnels - poor quality environment
- Quaker Way, road is a girdle around the town centre - draws cars into heart of the town centre – not necessary



- Proposal - replace with other uses eg housing, public outdoor spaces, offices, leisure
- Bring back to scale of historic town centre
- Car parking for residents only



Stockwell Gate and Four



Former Beales Building

- 1950s modern building – sign of Mansfield's wealth as an industrial town
- This part of the building has historic value
- Changing times and purpose of town centres changing no longer need such large retail spaces
- Importance of Stockwell Gate as a shopping street for the town centre
- Building now owned by Mansfield Council



Beales

Proposal is to use part or all of the building and site for leisure (cinema, laser quest, bounce?), offices (council services?) homes (higher floors) and shops on Stockwell Gate

Option 1 retain and refurbish: for a range of uses, but more difficult to secure the best mix if keeping the whole building

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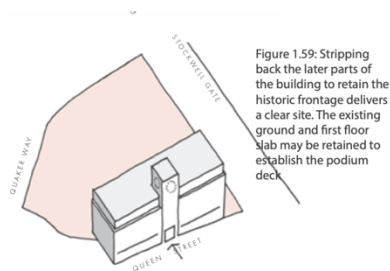


Figure 1.59: Stripping back the later parts of the building to retain the historic frontage delivers a clear site. The existing ground and first floor slab may be retained to establish the podium deck

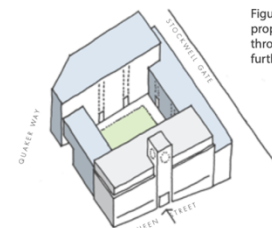
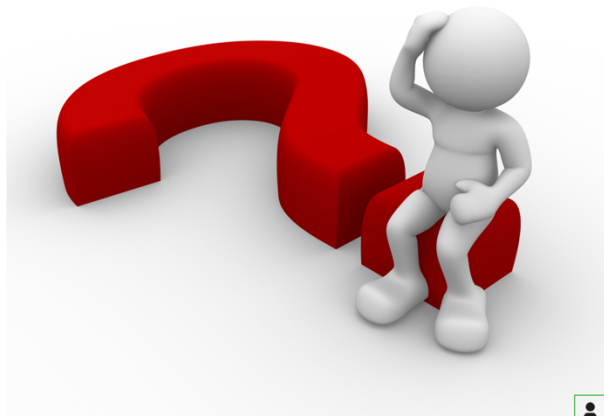


Figure 1.63: Concept proposal to be tested through site visit and further information



Questions



Break out rooms

- Please answer the survey online if possible
- Here is the link https://mansfield-consult.objective.co.uk/portal/town_centre/mtcmp_students
- Submit in 15 mins
- Return for questions
- Be prepared to discuss your responses and ask any questions





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Appendix C Survey Questionnaire

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Draft Mansfield Town Centre Masterplan – Student Feedback Form

The council's ideas will affect you and will change the town centre over the next 15 years. Having listened to the council's ideas please answer the following questions.

1. How often do you visit the town centre? (TICK ONE)

- | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> More than 3 times per week | <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Once a week | <input type="checkbox"/> Occasionally |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Twice a month | <input type="checkbox"/> Never |

2. Which of the following do you think MOST needs improving in Mansfield town centre? (TICK ONE)

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cleanliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shopping | <input type="checkbox"/> Nightlife |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Car parking | <input type="checkbox"/> Open spaces / greenery |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public transport | <input type="checkbox"/> Restaurants / cafes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Events | |

3a. What do you think is missing in the town centre? (TICK ALL THAT APPLY)

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shops that sell clothes | <input type="checkbox"/> Cinema |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sports shops | <input type="checkbox"/> Laser quest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other shops (please say below) | <input type="checkbox"/> Bounce |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Places to meet friends | <input type="checkbox"/> Cafes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Places to eat out | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please say below) |

3b. If you selected 'other' or 'other shops' please give more details here:



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Movement:

4. Do you agree or disagree with the ideas to make cycling and walking into the town centre easier?

- ☐ Agree
☐ Disagree

5. Would the ideas in the masterplan make you more likely to cycle or walk in and around the town?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

6. Do you agree or disagree with the idea of adding more trees and green spaces within the town?

- ☐ Agree
☐ Disagree

7. Is there anything else you want to say about the council's plans e.g. is there a route or connection that you really want them to improve?



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Market Square:

8. Do you agree or disagree with the ideas to improve Market Square?

- ☐ Agree
☐ Disagree

9. Will the ideas in the masterplan make you more likely to want to spend time in the Market Square?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No



10. Is there anything else you want to say about the council's plans e.g. is there anything you would like to see in the Market Square?

Former BHS site:

11. Which option do you think would work best for Mansfield town centre?

- ☐ Option 1 - Retain and reuse: larger retail occupier, leisure or public sector use.
- ☐ Option 2 - Retain and refurbish: Covered retail arcade, workspace above. Could accommodate part of Mansfield Market from Market Square or deliver new food stalls.
- ☐ Option 3 - Demolish and retain only frontage: Ground floor - cafe/shop/workspace, upper floors - residential.





Four Seasons:



12. Do you agree or disagree with the ideas to gradually return the area around the Four Seasons to houses, smaller shops and offices?

☐ Agree ☐ Disagree

13. Is there anything else you want to say about the council's plans, e.g. is there anything else you would do with the Four Seasons shopping centre?

Former Beales building:

14. Do you agree with the council that the Beales site would be a good location for a mix of leisure, recreation, office and residential uses (on the top floors)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

15. Which option do you think would work best for Mansfield town centre?

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Thank you for completing this survey – please return paper responses (by 31 January 2022) to Tracey Tucker, Mansfield District Council, Civic Centre, Chesterfield Rd South, Mansfield, NG19 7BH, or scan and email to tucker@mansfield.gov.uk