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Dear Councillor

Assembly Hall Working Group - Monday 6 November 2023

I am now able to enclose, for consideration at next Monday 6 November 2023 meeting of the Assembly Hall Working Group, the Melksham Neighbourhood Plan Survey Feb 2023 which contains comments relating to leisure facilities and some specific references to Assembly Hall and Blue Pool.

Yours sincerely

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Town Clerk and RFO

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Melksham Neighbourhood Plan Survey Feb 2023















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1. What do you treasure in Melksham?				
Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Shopping range and quality		35.11%	33
2	Local services and facilities		44.68%	42
3	Quality leisure and sports		55.32%	52
4	Great places to eat and drink		50.00%	47
5	Vibrant culture and night life		12.77%	12
6	Attractive and safe to walk around		69.15%	65
7	Good for cycling		21.28%	20
8	Frequent bus services		48.94%	46
9	Ample car parking		44.68%	42
10	Connections to communities		25.53%	24
11	Attractive streets and spaces		39.36%	37
12	Trees and green spaces		72.34%	68
13	Historic buildings		63.83%	60
14	Shopfronts and window displays		21.28%	20
15	Walkable town centre		74.47%	70
16	Greenery, trees, shady spaces		48.94%	46
17	Electric car charging points		20.21%	19
18	Other (please specify):		9.57%	9
			answered	94
			skipped	28
Other (please specify): (9)				
1	13/02/2023 10:03 AM ID: 210812602	improved public transport; some form of joint taxi service; whilst all individuals are great if they all believe the town is quiet in an evening they all go home, there needs to be consistent and managed service.		
2	15/02/2023 14:12 PM ID: 211078803	Friendly town & people		
3	15/02/2023 14:59 PM ID: 211083576	Christmas lights, church and church walk area and nature reserve.		

1. What do you treasure in Melksham?

4	19/02/2023 23:31 PM ID: 211335760	Sense of history and heritage
5	23/02/2023 10:42 AM ID: 211680770	More buses are needed though. Small hop on hop off buses.
6	24/02/2023 11:05 AM ID: 211769642	Proximity to open countryside such as the canal and Giles Wood
7	02/03/2023 18:51 PM ID: 212269812	Night life, especially for youngsters. Since TheTavern has been changed to a upmarket city eatery, there is no bar/night club sort of place really for youngster and tha. Qenched are trying but doing the wrong thing by letting any old dj who has now clue on how to pace a proper dance music event do djing there for free.
8	03/03/2023 02:33 AM ID: 212282371	New Retail park has shops at copper tyres sitē. Cinema bowling would be brilliant.with shopping Village.
9	06/03/2023 10:44 AM ID: 212427850	Although ticked bus services, they could be improved.

2. What are your priorities for improvement in Melksham?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	The quality of the town centre retail and service offer		69.79% 67
2	Leisure facilities		23.96% 23
3	The evening and cultural offer		35.42% 34
4	Town centre markets and festivals		47.92% 46
5	The appearance of historic buildings		28.13% 27
6	Improve shopfronts		40.63% 39
7	Well designed new development		41.67% 40
8	Protect and increase green spaces		60.42% 58
9	Tree planting, shading, places for nature		55.21% 53
10	Town centre connections with its wider community area		35.42% 34
11	Accessibility and the public realm		16.67% 16
12	Pedestrianisation of Bank Street / High Street		28.13% 27
13	Cycling safety and facilities		29.17% 28
14	Bus services		38.54% 37

2. What are your priorities for improvement in Melksham?

15	Car parking		25.00%	24
16	Business deliveries and service access.		14.58%	14
17	Promote a diverse town centre economy and offer		37.50%	36
18	Promote sustainable and healthy travel		32.29%	31
19	Clean air and healthy high street		40.63%	39
20	Conserve and re-use buildings		65.63%	63
21	Promote renewable town centre energy		41.67%	40
22	Other (please specify):		15.63%	15
			answered	96
			skipped	26

Other (please specify): (15)



1	13/02/2023 10:03 AM ID: 210812602	We need to make this a go to center; we need to make a vibrant local, proud , society with a real sense of community ownership.
2	15/02/2023 14:12 PM ID: 211078803	Cycling, scooters, cars on pavement, put railing on high pavement would help
3	15/02/2023 15:10 PM ID: 211084779	More electric charge points that work.
4	16/02/2023 16:38 PM ID: 211170657	More GP surgery and dental facilities.
5	23/02/2023 10:24 AM ID: 211677330	Town centre streets very dirty. Whilst there is a shopping range the range is poor.
6	23/02/2023 10:53 AM ID: 211682526	Need free car parking
7	23/02/2023 13:56 PM ID: 211702563	Need free car parking
8	23/02/2023 14:05 PM ID: 211703370	Need free car parking
9	02/03/2023 18:51 PM ID: 212269812	See 'other' answer to the last question
10	02/03/2023 19:54 PM ID: 212272056	Canal
11	03/03/2023 02:33 AM ID: 212282371	Bring back a bank or bank hub with one buliding with all different Banks in .even music shop like hmv

2. What are your priorities for improvement in Melksham?

12	06/03/2023 10:44 AM ID: 212427850	Not enough infrastructure for electronic vehicle charging especially. Whilst ticked town centre markets as a priority, do not feel we need more festivals. We need more independent retailers. Melksham is terrible for chains only. No independent baker, fruit and veg, health food shops. We should aim to be more like Frome, Corsham etc. Too 'plastic' at the moment.
13	06/03/2023 10:55 AM ID: 212430194	Focus on supporting independent businesses and providing services to the every growing community.
14	06/03/2023 10:57 AM ID: 212430725	No more hairdressers, barbers or takeaways
15	06/03/2023 11:08 AM ID: 212431284	Upgrade of semi defunct trainline would be a good start

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3. Do you agree with these key regeneration cluster areas?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		91.86% 79
2	No		8.14% 7
		answered	86
		skipped	36

4. If no, please tell us why (if you agree skip this question).

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	9
1	14/02/2023 18:14 PM ID: 211027349	The area including the Assembly Hall should not be used for housing! It is a prime area that needs to planters, trees and a green area and spaces to sit and enjoy the world around us. The Assembly Hall is essential for concerts as well as film shows, for the people of Melksham. The space in Melksham House is not big enough, or suitable for very large audiences or films.	
2	15/02/2023 14:59 PM ID: 211083576	C1 and C2 should be about the development of Melksham Town as a civic space and shopping/leisure area - not housing in C1	
3	16/02/2023 16:44 PM ID: 211171829	Some okay but need focus on centre of town.	
4	17/02/2023 17:35 PM ID: 211262650	Cluster 1 should have been the doctors surgery as originally planned	

4. If no, please tell us why (if you agree skip this question).

5	22/02/2023 14:31 PM ID: 211615622	Why not a young professionals block of accommodation/flats at Blue Pool. They are in housing crisis NOT OLD PEOPLE	
6	22/02/2023 15:04 PM ID: 211621057	Apart from cluster 3 - too close to water and will cause damp issues.	
7	22/02/2023 15:37 PM ID: 211624444	The plan mainly appears to be build houses which basically means cashing in and pocketing the bungs.	
8	06/03/2023 10:04 AM ID: 212424836	In principal, but stuffing move houses in the High Street proximity is very unwanted.	
9	06/03/2023 10:44 AM ID: 212427850	Almost complete focus on housing. The infrastructure, services and facilities to support so much residential expansion does not exist. Potential for Melksham to be a horrible, overly commercialised, over crowded place to live.	
		answered	9
		skipped	113

5. What do you think about their future regeneration?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	52
1	09/02/2023 18:35 PM ID: 210762411	Cluster 3 needs to be a sensible blend of residential, leisure, retail and hospitality. Could one of the existing buildings be re-purposed to provide a climbing wall. Could you have a cinema and/or ten pin bowling? Would you have a pedestrian bridge from KGV into the new centre? Could you make the complex accessible to canal boats? Could we have upmarket licenced cafes along the river bank?	
2	09/02/2023 18:49 PM ID: 210763621	Especially with the copper tyres area a lot of opportunity is possible. A new centre in combination with avonside could make a great new area for shops, cinemas, restaurants and more.	
3	10/02/2023 17:39 PM ID: 210834690	I think we need places where people working from home can go to work on a casual basis, similar to you might do by going into Costa for a while and working on your laptop from there. But the difference would be it would be more quiet. Getting people out in the community is key for the success of working from home mentality that has gripped us so much after the pandemic.	
4	14/02/2023 18:14 PM ID: 211027349	The Lowbourne area including the old library would be ideal for small units for social housing.	
5	15/02/2023 13:46 PM ID: 211077124	Promising if delivered.	
6	15/02/2023 13:50 PM ID: 211077673	Continuation of how we are benefiting.	
7	15/02/2023 13:57 PM ID: 211077970	Avon tyres - need to make more of the riverside position.	

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8	15/02/2023 14:12 PM ID: 211078803	Shouldn't be duplicates of same spaces, i.e office space, people still working from home. Town centre companies bring jobs. Empty office space at challeymead business space
9	15/02/2023 14:21 PM ID: 211080000	Keep it green and clean.
10	15/02/2023 14:34 PM ID: 211081548	All thee area need regeneration & put into use.
11	15/02/2023 14:43 PM ID: 211082273	Good quality shops, no more gyms, no more houses.
12	15/02/2023 14:45 PM ID: 211082736	Better access to water and attraction.
13	15/02/2023 14:48 PM ID: 211082992	We need more creative ideas not municipal monstrosities
14	15/02/2023 14:52 PM ID: 211083261	If mostly people acclamation need free parking.
15	15/02/2023 14:59 PM ID: 211083576	As above, Sorry, I agree with the cluster areas, not the proposed regeneration ideas. C3 plan is good.
16	15/02/2023 15:02 PM ID: 211084136	As a Beanacre resident, I would like to see improved accessibility to Cluster 3 & The railway station. Currently me & my family are put off by walking down the A350.
17	15/02/2023 15:24 PM ID: 211085575	The zoned areas area good starting point. we need to keep the town thriving.
18	15/02/2023 15:26 PM ID: 211086376	Great idea.
19	15/02/2023 15:36 PM ID: 211086604	Only any good if they address the real issues of Melksham as a community which is the real question you have not asked.
20	15/02/2023 15:40 PM ID: 211087563	Important to use regeneration sites for housing, rather than open countryside.
21	15/02/2023 15:45 PM ID: 211087900	Re-purpose existing buildings that were built pre 1950
22	15/02/2023 19:34 PM ID: 211102273	A focus on using the town centre spaces for leisure and cultural activities would be preferable over more housing which could be located further out. Places for young families / teenagers to enjoy would help encourage a feel of community for the future and reduce anti social behaviour by youngsters. A cinema, bowling alley, pop-up food and drinks market etc would be ideal as there is nothing of the sort in near distance.
23	16/02/2023 16:07 PM ID: 211167856	Avon/riverside: mixed development - inc states flats in good numbers.
24	16/02/2023 16:24 PM ID: 211169638	Pedestrianization of the high street and bank street not practical - not enough capacity on A350 to take additional traffic.

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25	16/02/2023 16:30 PM ID: 211170139	Cooper site is a perfect opportunity if it can be secured.
26	16/02/2023 16:38 PM ID: 211170657	Avonside - a wonderful opportunity to provide an attractive leisure/retail/visitors facility. Have a word with Bradford-on-avon!
27	16/02/2023 16:44 PM ID: 211171829	Need balance between priority of community facilities/street scape/green spaces & housing. Too much emphasis on housing without facilities.
28	17/02/2023 17:27 PM ID: 211121940	Try harder to improve facilities for disabled people and to conserve wildlife.
29	17/02/2023 17:35 PM ID: 211262650	Cooper tyres a good opportunity for shopping and industry not more housing.
30	19/02/2023 23:31 PM ID: 211335760	These sites are at the heart of the town. Its future character depends on what happens to them. I like the idea of some of the sites being used for housing, with the provision for working facilities and child care. Also the ethos of connecting the community - currently it feels increasingly fragmented as housing developments have been 'bolted on' to the edges of the town, often as a result of developers using loopholes to gain planning permission rather than properly thought-out holistic town planning.
31	22/02/2023 14:31 PM ID: 211615622	No more old folks blocks
32	22/02/2023 14:43 PM ID: 211617597	Avonside could e outlet centre and flats above for affordable housing. The Campus needs a cafe.
33	22/02/2023 14:52 PM ID: 211619514	On the whole agree with outline proposal, but level of housing is surely sufficient.
34	22/02/2023 15:16 PM ID: 211622459	Need to benefit whole community
35	22/02/2023 15:37 PM ID: 211624444	Its not regeneration it is just housing sold off to the highest bidder.
36	23/02/2023 09:54 AM ID: 211675147	It needs to start as soon as possible.
37	23/02/2023 10:24 AM ID: 211677330	It needs to happen soon, not like the 12 years it took to get our Campus. New Campus is fantastic.
38	23/02/2023 10:29 AM ID: 211679844	Just want safe spaces for all shop traffic through town.
39	23/02/2023 10:51 AM ID: 211682153	The old library area should be used for affordable housing.
40	23/02/2023 14:05 PM ID: 211703370	Our shops are turning into houses and more houses on the outskirts but no support for the infrastructure that needs to support it. No local produce shops, farmers markets etc.

5. What do you think about their future regeneration?

41	24/02/2023 11:05 AM ID: 211769642	Cluster 3 has huge potential to build something very attractive to benefit Melksham and potentially attract people to visit the town. Perhaps a live music venue, outdoor venue utilising the the river or something of scale to compliment high quality housing and retail/food outlets.	
42	25/02/2023 10:09 AM ID: 211827437	Let's regenerate to continue to give Melksham a modern feel	
43	27/02/2023 17:37 PM ID: 211961886	Ambitious projects with a long timescale for redevelopment but look at neighbouring towns - if they are not acting someone has to take the lead and initiative.	
44	27/02/2023 17:43 PM ID: 211963149	The way forward	
45	02/03/2023 17:21 PM ID: 212264184	For the love of god stop suggesting housing. It's lazy. They need to be turned into something commercial, restaurants, bars, cinema, bowling. If people of Melksham want to go out for dinner, theres two Italian restaurants and a load of bang average pubs. It's not good enough. Melksham town centre is drab and boring. It's deluded to think it has history and character, my wife refuses to go in and would rather drive elsewhere.	
46	02/03/2023 18:51 PM ID: 212269812	Sounds good in theory	
47	02/03/2023 19:54 PM ID: 212272056	Shouldn't just be housing, we need more shops and services like dentists doctors, and leisure facilities like an arts centre that could be used as a theatre, cinema or performance space (comedy, concerts etc), so that people don't have to travel outside the town to do these things.	
48	02/03/2023 20:36 PM ID: 212273222	I think we should be focussed on redeveloping the feel of the town centre so it is a place for people to visit and walk around. I don't feel all the sites should be sold for housing	
49	03/03/2023 02:33 AM ID: 212282371	Good but dont forgot electric going up for electric points .	
50	06/03/2023 10:04 AM ID: 212424836	As above, but apart from that a good plan. Would be nice to have a 'green' area not full of kids taking drugs.	
51	06/03/2023 10:44 AM ID: 212427850	Too much focus on residential, not enough on sustainability, quality of life. Focus is on quantity and not community. Danger of becoming a commuter town.	
52	06/03/2023 10:55 AM ID: 212430194	There are more than enough houses being build in and around Melksham.	
		answered	52
		skipped	70

6. Have we missed any other opportunity sites that should be considered?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	33

6. Have we missed any other opportunity sites that should be considered?

1	09/02/2023 18:49 PM ID: 210763621	Near the new belway estate on semington road a local shop is much needed
2	10/02/2023 17:39 PM ID: 210834690	I think in the future you should contact big restaurant chains like Nando's, Franky and Benny's, etc who could be interested in funding refurbishment or creation of new buildings in Melksham, this would get more people into the town centre and save transport to Trowbridge/Chippenham etc, plus create more jobs and tax in Melksham.
3	14/02/2023 18:14 PM ID: 211027349	Melksham Hospital grounds need developing as a drop in health centre for all Melksham residents and Melksham Without residents.
4	15/02/2023 13:46 PM ID: 211077124	Not that comes to mind.
5	15/02/2023 13:50 PM ID: 211077673	Don't think so. Thankyou.
6	15/02/2023 13:57 PM ID: 211077970	enhance walkways along river
7	15/02/2023 14:12 PM ID: 211078803	build new hospital and use current hospital site for another surgery, purpose built and dental surgery NHS only, properly funded
8	15/02/2023 14:21 PM ID: 211080000	Use the old blue pool for a LIDO!!! Think outside the box - PLEASE !!
9	15/02/2023 14:43 PM ID: 211082273	develop river walks and nice restaurant. Make much more of the riverfront.
10	15/02/2023 14:52 PM ID: 211083261	No, those 3 are sufficient.
11	15/02/2023 15:24 PM ID: 211085575	Keep a watching brief on the Melksham Hospital site in case they decide to pull out of the town.
12	15/02/2023 15:36 PM ID: 211086604	what about the abandoned and underused large spaces at the hospital site. What a waste that is.
13	15/02/2023 15:56 PM ID: 211089043	Derelict shop next to Babyworld on Semington Road in Berryfield. It is an eyesore and maybe space for a new home there if demolished.
14	16/02/2023 16:38 PM ID: 211170657	Site needs to be developed to attract visitors to Melksham. Therefore Melksham needs quality attractive shops.
15	16/02/2023 16:44 PM ID: 211171829	Missed what is needed in centre of town.
16	16/02/2023 16:58 PM ID: 211173553	Areas for pop up shops and pop up restaurants or a street hotel.
17	17/02/2023 17:27 PM ID: 211121940	Affordable Housing

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18	22/02/2023 14:31 PM ID: 211615622	Avon site - develop as co-housing project - effectively a mini village of all ages with eco credentials.
19	22/02/2023 14:43 PM ID: 211617597	Riverside needs developing. Cinema and bowling alley needed. Evening eating in town.
20	22/02/2023 14:52 PM ID: 211619514	Why do people visit? Dormitory town!!!
21	22/02/2023 15:37 PM ID: 211624444	Build things people want ie cinema, shops, bars etc
22	23/02/2023 10:24 AM ID: 211677330	Hospital site near Air Ambulance. Medical centre/dentists on old Library site. Better use of Melksham hospital. Reinstate minor injuries unit and ward.
23	23/02/2023 13:56 PM ID: 211702563	Hazelwood Green space/park and courts
24	27/02/2023 17:21 PM ID: 211961004	Newer estates (eg Cranesbill) need better public transport links
25	27/02/2023 17:37 PM ID: 211961886	No. Focus on town centre clusters are appropriate.
26	02/03/2023 18:51 PM ID: 212269812	No
27	02/03/2023 19:54 PM ID: 212272056	Christie Miller would make a great out of town entertainment place such as a cinema or bowling, restaurant area with easy access to the A350.
28	03/03/2023 02:33 AM ID: 212282371	Cooper tyres.retail shopping Village cinema shops what we need to boost the centre .
29	06/03/2023 09:58 AM ID: 212424113	4G football pitch. Amateur boxing club to keep youths off the streets and promote discipline, respect and social mobility.
30	06/03/2023 10:04 AM ID: 212424836	Riverside walks a great potential.
31	06/03/2023 10:22 AM ID: 212426584	former Christie Miller Sports Centre site at Bowerhill
32	06/03/2023 10:59 AM ID: 212430997	Link packhorse bridge to Melksham by footpath/cycle path. Then link river walk to Lacock under new bypass!! There are 2 historic centres with Lacock having high visitor numbers.
33	06/03/2023 11:08 AM ID: 212431284	This part of Wiltshire enjoys very good tourist footfall, given its proximity to major sites like Stonehenge, Lacock, Bath, Longleat etc. Melksham will thrive if we improve our attraction to tourists which can start with a better retail offering. Currently there are a lot of unsightly buildings. Improve accessibility. Improve connectivity to neighbouring towns/cities. Redevelop area around train station (not more housing). There is a lot of potential for Melksham, but unfortunately, it is not explored. Great

6. Have we missed any other opportunity sites that should be considered?

	initiatives not need to think about a plan before investment and make this a great place to live and work.		
		answered	33
		skipped	89

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7. Do you agree with the potential future uses for buildings in this cluster?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		72.29% 60
2	No		27.71% 23
		answered	83
		skipped	39

8. If no, please tell us why (if you agree skip this question).

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	27
1	09/02/2023 18:35 PM ID: 210762411	I would remove the Blue Pool and create a much better access point into the Assembly Hall to facilitate carparking, disabled access and to allow bands to bring equipment in.	
2	15/02/2023 14:12 PM ID: 211078803	What is the future of Melksham? House, we don't need to duplicate office space: space in campus for this.	
3	15/02/2023 14:21 PM ID: 211080000	Not more underused rooms for meeting. We desperately need a convalescence home for reducing bed-blocking at RUH. Common sense really.	
4	15/02/2023 14:34 PM ID: 211081548	Blue pool not suitable for retirement apartments.	
5	15/02/2023 14:59 PM ID: 211083576	Not housing - civic/leisure/entertainment/well-being. A cinema would be nice - a small one like Frome have would work well here, or a Theatre like in Larkhall.	
6	15/02/2023 15:24 PM ID: 211085575	Retain this area as the 'civic quarter'. The narrow access for cars to the campus needs review. As a southern gateway to the town there is a need for more parking.	
7	15/02/2023 15:36 PM ID: 211086604	-only in principle -what do you propose	

8. If no, please tell us why (if you agree skip this question).

8	16/02/2023 15:57 PM ID: 211153607	Not housing in this area. Too much possibility for complaints/age/youth/leisure.
9	16/02/2023 16:07 PM ID: 211167856	don't remove assembly hall, consider on improving retail provide large units.
10	16/02/2023 16:44 PM ID: 211171829	Focus seems overwhelmingly about housing
11	16/02/2023 16:51 PM ID: 211172472	Don't think assembly hall should be housing for older people
12	16/02/2023 17:02 PM ID: 211174011	Housing for older people not a priority
13	17/02/2023 17:35 PM ID: 211262650	The Blue Pool should have been a doctors - much needed. Already too many new houses which facilities can't service.
14	22/02/2023 14:43 PM ID: 211617597	Agree with some of it.
15	22/02/2023 14:52 PM ID: 211619514	See previous comment
16	22/02/2023 15:37 PM ID: 211624444	Just housing isn't it.
17	23/02/2023 10:24 AM ID: 211677330	Melksham House should be for public use eg skittle alley or youth facilities.
18	23/02/2023 10:42 AM ID: 211680770	Cinema, doctors surgery and bowling alley.
19	23/02/2023 13:56 PM ID: 211702563	It would be good to know the end user at Melksham House?
20	27/02/2023 17:26 PM ID: 211961359	We do not need more new homes!! Too many popping up already in Melksham
21	02/03/2023 17:21 PM ID: 212264184	Stop suggesting housing.
22	02/03/2023 19:54 PM ID: 212272056	Shouldn't just convert everything to housing.
23	02/03/2023 20:36 PM ID: 212273222	Too much housing at this site. I feel like it should be reserved for business and leisure to tie in with the campus and Assembly Hall and the historic usage for Melksham House
24	06/03/2023 10:04 AM ID: 212424836	Partial: Too many houses (Blue Pool).

8. If no, please tell us why (if you agree skip this question).

25	06/03/2023 10:12 AM ID: 212425731	Retain Assembly Hall for music/dance venue.	
26	06/03/2023 10:22 AM ID: 212426584	Don't agree we need more housing in the town centre or Melksham itself.	
27	06/03/2023 10:44 AM ID: 212427850	As previous comments too much focus on over-stuffed residential development. Too much for a small town, no infrastructure or facilities to support this.	
		answered	27
		skipped	95

9. Do you have other suggestions for alternative uses? Please tell us here.

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question		100.00%	36
1	09/02/2023 18:49 PM ID: 210763621	Lloyds bank could become a beautiful bar, restaurant or even club Blue pool could be made into affordable flats		
2	15/02/2023 13:39 PM ID: 211074083	Definitely food/drink in Lloyds, building not just flats please!		
3	15/02/2023 13:46 PM ID: 211077124	Less homes unless it helps the vulnerable.		
4	15/02/2023 13:57 PM ID: 211077970	keep & enhance assembly hall. Blue pool area could be more car-parking for users.		
5	15/02/2023 14:21 PM ID: 211080000	Use the blue pool for a LIDO and cafe complex. - Hydrotherapy??? NO MORE HOUSING!!		
6	15/02/2023 14:29 PM ID: 211080768	Melksham house must be preserved and not allowed to become "housing" Why waste doing it up for houses		
7	15/02/2023 14:38 PM ID: 211081939	A Melksham museum located in this area either Melksham House or new buildings if Assembly Hall replaced. Apartment site, a local attraction to offer a new reason to stop in Melksham.		
8	15/02/2023 14:43 PM ID: 211082273	Do more for young people, like a bowling alley and cinema complex.		
9	15/02/2023 14:48 PM ID: 211082992	Boating station.		
10	15/02/2023 15:24 PM ID: 211085575	The old blue pool could provide car parking. This site could also add to the leisure assets to replace some things lost by Christie Miller, eg bowling or even a cinema.		



9. Do you have other suggestions for alternative uses? Please tell us here.

11	15/02/2023 15:36 PM ID: 211086604	There is a total lack of joined up thinking between the community and council. Melksham requires very basic services, e.g. doctor surgeries/dentists/education/banks/7 day transport links/evening train services + much more.
12	15/02/2023 15:45 PM ID: 211087900	Assembly hall and blue pool site should be cleaned and sold as one lot to maximize returns and future use of site.
13	16/02/2023 15:57 PM ID: 211153607	Re vamp Assembly Hall Agree about Lloyd's Bank.
14	16/02/2023 16:38 PM ID: 211170657	Moore residential accommodation a good idea but Melksham needs new GP surgery. Provision of a 10 pin Bowling Alley.
15	16/02/2023 16:44 PM ID: 211171829	Creative Community Work Retail Balanced with housing.
16	16/02/2023 16:51 PM ID: 211172472	Assembly hall - leave it as it is, just update it. Blue pool - use it for an activity venue.
17	16/02/2023 16:58 PM ID: 211173553	Blue pool - skate park.
18	16/02/2023 17:02 PM ID: 211174011	Concentrate on affordable housing for younger folk.
19	22/02/2023 14:43 PM ID: 211617597	Bowling alley like used to have one at Christie Miller. Cinema Doctors surgery as near buses. Keep Assembly Hall. Campus needs a cafe.
20	22/02/2023 15:16 PM ID: 211622459	Assembly Hall needs to provide entertainment people actually want, at an affordable cost.
21	22/02/2023 15:37 PM ID: 211624444	cinema, better shops with high street names, restaurants, bars
22	23/02/2023 09:54 AM ID: 211675147	Is there going to be a skittle alley in Melksham House again or in the Blue Pool area? Is the Assembly Hall going to have any racked seating? Will any part of the Blue Pool have parking for the Assembly Hall. I'm a little baffled. Is Melksham House going to be offices or homes for people.
23	23/02/2023 11:08 AM ID: 211682826	A doctor's surgery, especially if amount of housing for the elderly goes ahead. Hub bank in Lloyds. More events in the Assembly Hall, such as comedy, music etc. and invest in advertising well (not just in Melksham). People will travel for a wide range of entertainment if they know about it.
24	23/02/2023 13:56 PM ID: 211702563	Melksham House to be an arts quarter with sculptures in grounds etc by local people and exhibition space.
25	23/02/2023 14:05 PM ID: 211703370	Lloyds Bank needs to be a multi bank. The other two banks should be forced to reduce rents or put community projects in them, like an art gallery or pop up shop.

9. Do you have other suggestions for alternative uses? Please tell us here.

26	24/02/2023 11:05 AM ID: 211769642	Lloyds definitely lends itself to being a restaurant or good quality bar in the same vein as King's Arms. Though there are several pubs in Melksham the quality is quite variable.	
27	27/02/2023 17:26 PM ID: 211961359	Small business spaces, supporting local businesses.	
28	27/02/2023 17:37 PM ID: 211961886	Private retired apartment RENTAL is a growing trend elsewhere. Has this been considered? Workspace is a good idea at Melksham House. Lloyds could be a multi use building. If pedestrianised, could lead to other options, including hotel? Gaming centres are increasing - don't think there are any local? Work with local food heroes for a cool food hall?	
29	02/03/2023 17:21 PM ID: 212264184	See previous page.	
30	02/03/2023 18:51 PM ID: 212269812	Stop making Melksham a retirement town only focussing on older people.	
31	02/03/2023 19:54 PM ID: 212272056	Need to convert the Assembly Hall into a proper venue space with permanent tiered seating and proper toilets so can use as a theatre, cinema, performance space. Then can use Melksham House as a general use hall (as the Assembly Hall is) for events and hire. It's close proximity to St Michael's Church makes it ideal for weddings and funerals etc in a historic venue that could surely recoup it's costs quickly. The blue pool could be converted back to an outdoor lido, as there are very few of these in the area. With summer heat waves becoming more common, this could potentially get a lot of use.	
32	02/03/2023 20:36 PM ID: 212273222	Astro turf pitches on Blue Pool site.	
33	03/03/2023 02:33 AM ID: 212282371	More mainstream shops like b and m hmv marks spencers clothes shop.outlet Village cinema bowling theatre	
34	06/03/2023 10:22 AM ID: 212426584	Assembly Hall becoming a more permanent venue for a cinema/theatre type building. Larger supermarkets this end of town.	
35	06/03/2023 10:44 AM ID: 212427850	Turn Blue Pool back into a lido and leisure area. Unique in this part of South West. Keep Assembly Hall but diversify events. I work Monday-Friday, 9-5 and majority of interesting events, films etc take place in the middle of the day.	
36	06/03/2023 11:30 AM ID: 212434260	Why have town and county council not worked together, for the benefit of Melksham residents, and residents of other towns, to build a brand new, fit for purpose, fit for the next 50 years Assembly Hall at the back of Melksham House? This seems the most obvious and logical thing to do. No one is going to redevelop the old Blue Pool site if the Assembly Hall stays where it is. build new Assembly Hall at back of Melksham house, sell old Assy Hall and Blue Pool to developers. Once again, councillors not working together, not working to benefit Melksham & Wiltshire residents.	
		answered	36
		skipped	86

10. Do you agree with the potential future uses for buildings in this cluster?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		71.95%	59
2	No		28.05%	23
			answered	82
			skipped	40

11. If no, please tell us why (if you agree skip this question).

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question		100.00%	24
1	14/02/2023 18:14 PM ID: 211027349	Social housing in the form of small apartments would be ideal for these wites		
2	15/02/2023 13:57 PM ID: 211077970	Like the idea of retail units with housing above.		
3	15/02/2023 14:21 PM ID: 211080000	People are working from home more - a bit more housing - really??		
4	15/02/2023 15:10 PM ID: 211084779	Already planning applications are being refused.		
5	15/02/2023 15:24 PM ID: 211085575	The town needs an 'arts quarter' for leisure and night life. The more used, conversely the safer the area feels. This would be helped by later public transport services, but still inviting for all generations e.g. local buses.		
6	15/02/2023 15:45 PM ID: 211087900	Post 1950/1960 buildings should be cleaned to enable most efficient use of space.		
7	15/02/2023 19:34 PM ID: 211102273	I feel this should be reserved for leisure and cultural activities rather than housing as this is a central location.		
8	16/02/2023 16:38 PM ID: 211170657	New GP surgery. Why not use one building for banks to share space to provide bank facilities - people who are not computer minded would definitely benefit.		
9	16/02/2023 16:44 PM ID: 211171829	Focus seems overwhelmingly about housing.		
10	22/02/2023 14:31 PM ID: 211615622	No more old people projects. Address issues of waiting lists for young families/young people.		
11	22/02/2023 14:52 PM ID: 211619514	In principle yes, but should have wider application, demographic		

11. If no, please tell us why (if you agree skip this question).

12	22/02/2023 15:37 PM ID: 211624444	See previous comment	
13	23/02/2023 10:24 AM ID: 211677330	We could benefit from a cinema and improved medical provision eg at old library site.	
14	23/02/2023 10:42 AM ID: 211680770	Use the old banks for flats (mixed age group), retirement and professional. Apartments for retirement, downsizing, would release houses for families instead of building more houses.	
15	23/02/2023 11:08 AM ID: 211682826	Too much housing proposed	
16	23/02/2023 13:56 PM ID: 211702563	No clear view for the library. Why close and not leave for pop up local community to use.	
17	23/02/2023 14:05 PM ID: 211703370	The old library should be re-opened as an indoor market giving local businesses an opportunity to sell their locally produced items.	
18	24/02/2023 16:28 PM ID: 211800987	Don't agree with more houses.	
19	27/02/2023 17:26 PM ID: 211961359	Same as for C1	
20	02/03/2023 17:21 PM ID: 212264184	Stop suggesting housing.	
21	02/03/2023 18:51 PM ID: 212269812	No mention of anything for younger generations really involving repetitive beats music events	
22	02/03/2023 19:54 PM ID: 212272056	Need more shops, not housing, although flats above shops would be ok.	
23	03/03/2023 02:33 AM ID: 212282371	Food hall .bank	
24	06/03/2023 10:44 AM ID: 212427850	Too much focus on residential. Same comments as before and focus on expanding accommodation for elderly community only. Where is the mix? Diversity?	
		answered	24
		skipped	98

12. Do you have suggestions for alternative uses? Tell us here.

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	34

12. Do you have suggestions for alternative uses? Tell us here.

1	09/02/2023 18:49 PM ID: 210763621	Definitely shops or something for the local community use
2	14/02/2023 18:14 PM ID: 211027349	Social housing, small flats.
3	15/02/2023 13:57 PM ID: 211077970	Need car-parking esp. if considering pedestrianization of High street.
4	15/02/2023 14:12 PM ID: 211078803	This area should be residential as we don't need more empty small units. Haryo frontage should be put back to a row of cottages like the next door one.
5	15/02/2023 14:21 PM ID: 211080000	Create a community business hub to employ the old + young together.
6	15/02/2023 14:29 PM ID: 211080768	High quality housing 3-4 storey Set back from roadside Allow footpath
7	15/02/2023 14:34 PM ID: 211081548	Ideal area for apartments.
8	15/02/2023 14:43 PM ID: 211082273	New health centre.
9	15/02/2023 15:24 PM ID: 211085575	Community centres/spaces are always valued for local use. Include cafe and meeting spaces that encourage people to gather and connect to the King George field.
10	15/02/2023 15:36 PM ID: 211086604	As societies and groups run by volunteers, prop up a broken community, where do they fit into the glossy plan?
11	15/02/2023 15:45 PM ID: 211087900	Library/car park site has potential for replacement of assembly hall.
12	16/02/2023 16:07 PM ID: 211167856	Flats/shelters accommodate
13	16/02/2023 16:17 PM ID: 211168366	It would be good to have social housing/elderly people housing in the centre of town to make it a friendly place to be & near shops for people on a low income.
14	16/02/2023 16:24 PM ID: 211169638	Doctor's surgery.
15	16/02/2023 16:54 PM ID: 211173248	Doctor's surgery.
16	16/02/2023 16:58 PM ID: 211173553	Houses, one way road in union street.
17	17/02/2023 17:27 PM ID: 211121940	Buildings for work causes and future employment spaces

12. Do you have suggestions for alternative uses? Tell us here.



18	17/02/2023 17:35 PM ID: 211262650	Move and expand weekly markets
19	22/02/2023 14:43 PM ID: 211617597	No more hairdressers, barbers, gyms or beauty places. Proper shops in town centre like greengrocers, ironmongers, shoe shops, clothes shops etc
20	22/02/2023 15:16 PM ID: 211622459	Housing suitable for first time buyers or rentable properties at prices people can afford. Provide work opportunities.
21	22/02/2023 15:37 PM ID: 211624444	See previous comments
22	23/02/2023 09:54 AM ID: 211675147	Good to use upper storeys etc for flats and old banks for offices or workspaces as they do not look suitable for shops. Homes in this area would be good.
23	23/02/2023 10:42 AM ID: 211680770	Retail ie clothing, shoes, haberdashery and wool, fabrics, patterns etc.
24	23/02/2023 11:08 AM ID: 211682826	More retail opportunities especially for independent businesses, crafts etc. A museum.
25	23/02/2023 13:56 PM ID: 211702563	Local community project space in the library.
26	23/02/2023 14:05 PM ID: 211703370	Put in some 30 min parking spaces just outside Savers and the old HSBC. The pavement can take the space.
27	24/02/2023 10:57 AM ID: 211770446	We need more health services, GPs, nurses, care hubs etc
28	24/02/2023 11:05 AM ID: 211769642	Bringing in residential spaces to the town should definitely increase commerce in the town and reduce the need for cars to go to other locations. Bus stops in the Eastern side of town should be improved and cycling routes (and cycling parking) need to be improved.
29	24/02/2023 16:28 PM ID: 211800987	Is there space to put a cinema / bowling alley?
30	27/02/2023 17:26 PM ID: 211961359	Small business spaces, supporting local businesses.
31	27/02/2023 17:37 PM ID: 211961886	Ideal residential redevelopment. Could a retirement scheme be mixed with younger professionals? Encouraging mixing communities can only be a good thing! Subsidised/rental schemes for all ages.
32	02/03/2023 18:51 PM ID: 212269812	Yes a proper bar or nightclub that could double up as a eatery/cafe or whatever in the day. Proper purpose built.
33	02/03/2023 19:54 PM ID: 212272056	Former library could make a good nursery/pre-school as there are few near the town centre.
34	06/03/2023 10:22 AM ID: 212426584	Yes more retail shops that actually sell goods eg B & M, Wilkinsons, Primark, Dunelm, The Range etc.

12. Do you have suggestions for alternative uses? Tell us here.











	Somewhere to buy clothes/shoes/homework goods for Melksham residents so we don't have to travel to Trowbridge/Chippenham.		
		answered	34
		skipped	88

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13. Do you think the town master plan should set principles for this area?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		92.41% 73
2	No		7.59% 6
		answered	79
		skipped	43

14. Which principles do you consider most important?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Mixed and Layered uses		46.67% 42
2	New homes		31.11% 28
3	New workspace		34.44% 31
4	Shops		60.00% 54
5	Cultural and entertainment facilities		54.44% 49
6	Localised renewable energy production		33.33% 30
7	Optimise the benefits of natural light, and passive solar gains to reduce energy consumption		42.22% 38
8	Refurbish or re-use existing buildings will be encouraged to reduce waste		62.22% 56
9	Accessible and connected		46.67% 42
10	Walk and cycle links between the railway station and the town centre		68.89% 62

14. Which principles do you consider most important?

11	Accessible and interesting river path, to use and enjoy the riverside		78.89%	71
12	Improve the public realm around the station, with better wayfinding, seating and planting		53.33%	48
13	Electric vehicle charging points, bike hire and safe storage		37.78%	34
14	Conserve valued and historic buildings and mature trees		58.89%	53
15	Re-establish the historic street pattern		27.78%	25
16	Build in keeping with the historic buildings		55.56%	50
17	Reflect interesting features within a modern context		34.44%	31
18	Materials that reflect the historic forms and industrial heritage		40.00%	36
19	Provide active frontages onto the riverside and along any main routes		55.56%	50
			answered	90
			skipped	32

15. What have we missed? Can you suggest others?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question		100.00%	45
1	10/02/2023 17:39 PM ID: 210834690	As previously mentioned, I think Restaurant chains would be an ideal partner to work with to subsidise refurbishment or build new premises to house their restaurants in this area, it would be advertised, seen from the A350 and give Melksham residents of which there are loads the option to go to know food chains rather than one off / unique restaurants/pubs we have in Melksham. As marketeers will tell you a big chunk of people like to go to known brands when deciding on which restaurant to go to. To be clear I am talking restaurants and not fast food chains that create rubbish everywhere due to the unmentionables who litter. The Avon site would allow a mini restaurant village to be built a bit like the one in Trowbridge. This will get more people to use the town.		
2	13/02/2023 10:03 AM ID: 210812602	Whilst not part of the initial plan, the demise of the tyre factory and the loss of that heritage within the town needs to be recognised. However this will be prime land for brown field development and real opportunity if the right river developments take place; promenade, food, entertainment; new housing and that it should reflect the heritage of the 'City' part of that area. A golden opportunity to deliver world class, environment and heritage deliver for the future.		

15. What have we missed? Can you suggest others?

		We need to make the community aware and caring for their local environment; a local peoples charter to care share and look after each other.
3	15/02/2023 13:39 PM ID: 211074083	Please don't just build houses/flats we need shops/leisure/restaurants/cinema/bowling etc
4	15/02/2023 13:57 PM ID: 211077970	We don't make enough use of riverside location.
5	15/02/2023 14:12 PM ID: 211078803	Wilts/berks canal, riverside cafes, wilt outdoor seating, music, variety of quality eating places. B&M, wilko & bigger decent WAITROSE all in this area.
6	15/02/2023 14:21 PM ID: 211080000	A perfect space for a special riverside restaurant + ride activities.
7	15/02/2023 14:29 PM ID: 211080768	Look at waterfront , wasted oppurtunity.
8	15/02/2023 15:06 PM ID: 211084462	Flood defense work.
9	15/02/2023 15:10 PM ID: 211084779	Flood Defense work.
10	15/02/2023 15:24 PM ID: 211085575	Retain area as a more industrial/business quarter for the working heart of Melksham, a high tech hub.
11	15/02/2023 15:36 PM ID: 211086604	Where is seating for mothers with young children and the elderly people? THE BLAZING SUN IS A HEALTH HAZARD.
12	15/02/2023 15:52 PM ID: 211088717	A park + ride facility that would take parking from the town centre.
13	16/02/2023 15:57 PM ID: 211153607	Must have rivers accessible to public shortening route to Scotland Rd and beyond.
14	16/02/2023 16:02 PM ID: 211167331	Go back to providing resident parking scheme for those who have no on street parking. When this existed it cost £154 per year. Now - over £600 for a season ticket!!
15	16/02/2023 16:17 PM ID: 211168366	To make it vibrant a mixture of housing and workspace/shops etc... would be great with trees etc... surrounding the area.
16	16/02/2023 16:24 PM ID: 211169638	Connect buses to rail station.
17	16/02/2023 16:38 PM ID: 211170657	Please if you have more shops - no more nail-bars, tattoo parlors, hairdressers, food take-away. Quality shops well attract visitors to Melksham.
18	16/02/2023 16:54 PM ID: 211173248	It's important to do this site right.

15. What have we missed? Can you suggest others?

19	16/02/2023 16:58 PM ID: 211173553	New surgery.
20	17/02/2023 17:27 PM ID: 211121940	Youth centres (clubs for socialising).
21	17/02/2023 17:35 PM ID: 211262650	Opportunities needed to provide work for new housing. Extend footpath to Lacock for walking/cycling.
22	22/02/2023 14:31 PM ID: 211615622	Co-housing project. Eco credentials.
23	22/02/2023 14:43 PM ID: 211617597	Another secondary school. cycleways in other parts of town as roads not safe for cyclists.
24	22/02/2023 14:52 PM ID: 211619514	Cinema Secondary School
25	22/02/2023 15:04 PM ID: 211621057	Not missed but need to focus house build on bigger homes 3 + houses.
26	22/02/2023 15:16 PM ID: 211622459	Need to open up river access for nice walks, paddleboarding, cafe etc.
27	22/02/2023 15:37 PM ID: 211624444	Don't build housing.
28	23/02/2023 09:54 AM ID: 211675147	The Wilts & Berks Canal joining the river here. Having a wharf and footpath along river and canal. Wharf could have cafes and shops (not trinket). Archimedes screw for power generation. New homes could be built here. Perhaps solar could be incorporated somewhere or workspace as well. Have The City linked into Melksham again and also the railway station.
29	23/02/2023 10:42 AM ID: 211680770	Cinema, cafes, teen cafes/meeting place. A few dog friendly cafes and shops.
30	23/02/2023 11:08 AM ID: 211682826	Would love it to look like the Bradford on Avon development by the river; shops and eateries.
31	23/02/2023 13:56 PM ID: 211702563	That we keep the history of the spaces by informative plaques etc
32	23/02/2023 14:05 PM ID: 211703370	This could be a great designer outlet with restaurants overlooking the river, done very much like Swindon outlet and informing the visitor what the space once was.
33	24/02/2023 10:57 AM ID: 211770446	Cinema, bowling alley.
34	24/02/2023 11:05 AM ID: 211769642	Creation of a venue that brings people to the town, either during the day or in the evening such as a live music venue, an outside sporting venue (perhaps something linked to the river - canoeing?) or some other at scale venue with good transport links. NOTE Currently the Melksham connection via rail is too restrictive!

15. What have we missed? Can you suggest others?

35	27/02/2023 17:37 PM ID: 211961886	This cluster is deserving of separate consideration due to its size. Without redevelopment it will become an eyesore gateway and undo all the hard work in the town centre.
36	02/03/2023 17:21 PM ID: 212264184	Stop suggesting housing.
37	02/03/2023 19:54 PM ID: 212272056	Continue to develop and smarten up Avonside industrial units to make the Riverside attractive for visitors on the canal
38	02/03/2023 20:36 PM ID: 212273222	I feel the focus should be on restaurants / cafes close to the river so people could visit Melksham as somewhere nice to walk around like Bradford on Avon
39	03/03/2023 02:33 AM ID: 212282371	Again new cinema bowling . Bank . Outlet Village retail park.young people need this we all do . Parking needs to be free .kitchen shop hmv bigger boots even more interesting shops. Marks spencers .
40	06/03/2023 10:12 AM ID: 212425731	Hydro electric power. Plant more trees in King George V Park for shade. Wilts & Berks Canal.
41	06/03/2023 10:15 AM ID: 212426159	Sports and Leisure.
42	06/03/2023 10:22 AM ID: 212426584	Boating.
43	06/03/2023 10:44 AM ID: 212427850	No new home overkill please. Overstuffed new builds filling the old site would be horrendous. There is not enough infrastructure to support it. No modern cultural and entertainment facilities which are soulless chains and plastic like Trowbridge. Focus on independent and USP for Melksham.
44	06/03/2023 10:57 AM ID: 212430725	Turn it into out of town shopping complex with Home Bargains and B & M
45	06/03/2023 11:11 AM ID: 212432498	Gloucester Quays style development for the Cooper site. Need a museum for Melksham in a permanent accessible space.

answered	45
skipped	77

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16. Do you support protecting qualifying green spaces through our Neighbourhood Plan?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes	100.00%	87
2	No	0.00%	0
		answered	87

16. Do you support protecting qualifying green spaces through our Neighbourhood Plan?

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17. If no, please tell us why.

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	4
1	22/02/2023 14:43 PM ID: 211617597	Point: add attractions as other towns ie cafes, crazy golf.	
2	22/02/2023 15:37 PM ID: 211624444	Don't care either way.	
3	06/03/2023 10:04 AM ID: 212424836	With the beautiful river and history, it could be an attractive place to visit.	
4	06/03/2023 10:44 AM ID: 212427850	Green spaces should not be sacrificed for urbanisation, especially if bad quality.	
		answered	4
		skipped	118

18. Do you think we should identify locally important heritage in our Neighbourhood Plan?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes	100.00%	84
2	No	0.00%	0
		answered	84
		skipped	38

19. If no, please tell us why.

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	4
1	15/02/2023 15:36 PM ID: 211086604	but what do you do with this, action speaks louder than hot air words.	

19. If no, please tell us why.

2	16/02/2023 10:24 AM ID: 210168520	Melksham Without Parish Council would like to put forward 3 more potential heritage assets. 1. The Turbine at Bowerhill 2. The RAF commemorative stone at the top of Pathfinder Way 3. The new RAF Bowerhill public art on Pathfinder Way As per the MWPC Full Council meeting held on Monday 23rd January 2023 Minute number 374/22b)	
3	22/02/2023 15:37 PM ID: 211624444	Don't care.	
4	23/02/2023 10:42 AM ID: 211680770	Please keep old banks for apartments/shops/department store	
		answered	4
		skipped	118

20. Do you have any comments on the draft design code? Please leavethem below.

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question		100.00%	24
1	24/02/2023 11:05 AM ID: 211769642	The design code more or less is just a list of current designs in use. It is not clear that there is a guide to what future development should look like.		
2	27/02/2023 17:26 PM ID: 211961359	We do not want or need more new homes in Melksham		
3	02/03/2023 19:54 PM ID: 212272056	Dog walking area behind the Spa should extend the green space to the two fields adjacent to Melksham Oak. These should be planted with trees to soak up the excess water run off from the new housing development, and preserve/increase biodiversity in this area. The green areas are what makes Melksham a nice place to live, please preserve them. The area by Clackers Brook is called a nature reserve but is mown and maintained like parkland instead of managing in an ecological way to increase biodiversity. This area has so much potential!		
4	06/03/2023 10:04 AM ID: 212424836	Lots of good work.		
5	06/03/2023 10:15 AM ID: 212426159	Why no mention of the sports clubs in the town. Playing sport is very important for a person's mental health and well being.		
6	06/03/2023 10:44 AM ID: 212427850	Not yet - too much to digest, need more time.		
7	06/03/2023 10:50 AM ID: 212429918	FROM THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT, BUT DIDN'T HAVE A DESIGN CODE SECTION THEN: NOT relevant but please NO MORE housing developments around Melksham. Enough is enough especially as there is shortage of GP/Cottage Hospital/Schools.		
8	06/03/2023 10:52 AM ID: 212430218	FROM A PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT, BEFORE THERE WAS A BOX TO ENTER DESIGN CODE COMMENTS The draft ideas are good, just be sympathetic to the area and treat heritage sites with consideration.		

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9	06/03/2023 10:57 AM ID: 212430547	FROM A PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT, BEFORE THERE WAS A BOX TO ENTER DESIGN CODE COMMENTS Can't follow old vernacular, too expensive. Would like to see more terraced housing for starter homes (more energy efficient). From 2026 - no gas in new builds, PV on all roofs, permeable surfaces, charging points
10	06/03/2023 10:58 AM ID: 212430919	FROM A PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT, BEFORE THERE WAS A BOX TO ENTER DESIGN CODE COMMENTS Need to add Friends Garden into the mix.
11	06/03/2023 10:59 AM ID: 212431048	FROM A PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT, BEFORE THERE WAS A BOX TO ENTER DESIGN CODE COMMENTS Need new doctor's surgery. Need community hospital with beds as Melksham Hospital used to be to aid discharge from RUH
12	06/03/2023 11:02 AM ID: 212431393	FROM A PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT, BEFORE THERE WAS A BOX TO ENTER DESIGN CODE COMMENTS Improve litter on areas for people. Educate and provide signs/posers.
13	06/03/2023 11:07 AM ID: 212432019	FROM A PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT, BEFORE THERE WAS A BOX TO ENTER DESIGN CODE COMMENTS The design code is a really good idea to help re-establish a character for Melksham which most of the developments in the town have ignored.
14	06/03/2023 11:09 AM ID: 212432200	FROM A PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT, BEFORE THERE WAS A BOX TO ENTER DESIGN CODE COMMENTS We want to preserve our heritage, but also accommodate modern, sustainable and environmentally stable development and progress. "Future Proof".
15	06/03/2023 11:13 AM ID: 212432729	FROM A PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT, BEFORE THERE WAS A BOX TO ENTER DESIGN CODE COMMENTS Good quality buildings Eco friendly
16	06/03/2023 11:14 AM ID: 212432835	FROM A PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT, BEFORE THERE WAS A BOX TO ENTER DESIGN CODE COMMENTS No other than to say re the town council should be commended on the work they've done
17	06/03/2023 11:22 AM ID: 212433493	FROM A PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT, BEFORE THERE WAS A BOX TO ENTER DESIGN CODE COMMENTS Melksham has some great architecture and a modern representation of this would work well.
18	06/03/2023 11:23 AM ID: 212433750	FROM A PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT, BEFORE THERE WAS A BOX TO ENTER DESIGN CODE COMMENTS Have not read yet but environmental sustainability is a priority for me.
19	06/03/2023 11:24 AM ID: 212433861	FROM A PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT, BEFORE THERE WAS A BOX TO ENTER DESIGN CODE COMMENTS Development to be in keeping with town building. Quality of work/materials to be checked at all stages of any development.
20	06/03/2023 11:38 AM ID: 212435454	FROM PAPER COPIES LEFT AT CAMPUS CONSULTATION, THESE ARE BEFORE THE DESIGN CODES BOX WAS UPLOADED: Too many solar panels near us. Nature affected. Footpath etc and land for agriculture.
21	06/03/2023 11:39 AM ID: 212435666	FROM PAPER COPIES LEFT AT CAMPUS CONSULTATION, THESE ARE BEFORE THE DESIGN CODES BOX WAS UPLOADED: Please think of unique usage to ensure Melksham is not JUST another Market Town. Use the Blue Pool and river.
22	06/03/2023 11:44 AM ID: 212435806	FROM PAPER COPIES LEFT AT CAMPUS CONSULTATION, THESE ARE BEFORE THE DESIGN CODES BOX WAS UPLOADED: Keep designs in keeping with small historic town.

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		Clean up whole area, pavements, verges, gutters, rubbish. Approach to town from McD to Sainsbury looks uninviting shabby, weeds, litter, derelict buildings, railing, empty properties, pub etc		
23	06/03/2023 11:46 AM ID: 212436525	Good idea to have 3 clusters.		
24	06/03/2023 11:47 AM ID: 212436758	FROM PAPER COPIES LEFT AT CAMPUS CONSULTATION, THESE ARE BEFORE THE DESIGN CODES BOX WAS UPLOADED: Please safe spaces. Pedestrian town centre.		
			answered	24
			skipped	98

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21. Are you responding as a

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Resident		97.87%
2	Business		2.13%
			answered
			skipped
			94
			28







22. What is your postcode?

Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Open-Ended Question	100.00%	16
1	23/02/2023 13:56 PM ID: 211702563	SN12 6ES	
2	23/02/2023 14:05 PM ID: 211703370	SN12 6AJ	
3	24/02/2023 10:57 AM ID: 211770446	SN12 6UQ	
4	24/02/2023 11:05 AM ID: 211769642	SN12 6QE	
5	24/02/2023 16:28 PM ID: 211800987	SN12 7GP	

22. What is your postcode?

6	27/02/2023 17:26 PM ID: 211961359	SN12 6FU		
7	27/02/2023 17:37 PM ID: 211961886	SN12 6GB		
8	01/03/2023 12:40 PM ID: 212139949	SN12		
9	02/03/2023 18:51 PM ID: 212269812	sn12 7as		
10	02/03/2023 19:54 PM ID: 212272056	Sn12 6ql		
11	02/03/2023 20:36 PM ID: 212273222	SN12 7FU		
12	03/03/2023 02:33 AM ID: 212282371	Sn12 8fa		
13	06/03/2023 09:58 AM ID: 212424113	SN12 2PH		
14	06/03/2023 10:12 AM ID: 212425731	SN12 7AW		
15	06/03/2023 10:22 AM ID: 212426584	SN12 7		
16	06/03/2023 10:44 AM ID: 212427850	SN12 8AW		
			answered	16
			skipped	106

23. What is your age?

Answer Choices			Response Percent	Response Total
1	0-18		2.22%	2
2	19-29		2.22%	2
3	30-39		15.56%	14
4	40-49		16.67%	15
5	50-65		27.78%	25
6	65-79		26.67%	24