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Valley Gardens Consultation History

Throughout the early development stages of Valley Gardens concept design development there have been many various consultation exercises. Information has been gathered from local residents and business using a range of techniques. Table 1 shows some of the consultation exercises carried out between March 2012 and October 2015.

In 2012, improvements for Valley Gardens were identified using a mixture of Public Realm Analysis and feedback from a public scoping consultation.

Significant results showed eighty-three per cent of people would spend more time in the gardens if the facilities and environment were improved. Only a quarter of people felt it a pleasant place to walk while one in ten thought it a nice place to cycle. Approximately three quarters felt there was too much noise and traffic, and a third said the roads were well designed to keep traffic moving. Plans were agreed in principal by the council in 2012 and a concept scheme was developed between July 2012 and March 2013. The concept scheme was put out for public consultation in September 2013, and discussed at a series of stakeholder workshops during 2013 and 2014 for further development. A business case to secure some of the funding for the development was approved to the Local Enterprise Partnership in 2014. A qualitative research project to inform us of residents and key stakeholders' views and perceptions of the space and its future potential was carried out in late 2015.

Table 1 - List of Consultation Events

Date	Type of Consultation	Who was involved
March 2012	Online and through City	All groups including residents, businesses
	News	and other relevant stakeholders
April 2012	Workshop	Stakeholder, Residents
April 2010	Workshop	Officers
September 2012	Workshop	Stakeholder, Residents
October 2012	Workshop	Officers
October 2012	Workshop	Stakeholder, Residents
November 2012	Workshop	Officers
December 2012	Workshop	Stakeholder, Residents
December 2012	Workshop	Officers
January 2013	Workshop	Stakeholder, Residents
January 2013	Workshop	Officers
January 2013	Roadshow	All groups including residents, businesses
		and other relevant stakeholders
February 2013	Workshop	Stakeholder, Residents
February 2013	Workshop	Officers
March 2013	Presentation/Update	Transport Partnership
June 2013	Workshop	Developers
September 2013	Temporary Events	All groups including residents, businesses
		and other relevant stakeholders
November 2013	Workshop	Stakeholder, Residents
February 2014	Workshop	Stakeholder, Residents
April 2014	Complaint	

May 2014	Presentation/Update	NLCA
June 2014	Presentation/Update	London Road LAT
July 2014	Presentation/Update	Transport Partnership
July 2014	Presentation/Update	CAG
September 2014	Targeted letter drop	Businesses (loading requirements)
October 2014	Meeting	Brighton and Hove Bus and Coach
		Company, Brighton Area Buswatch
November 2014	Survey	Businesses
November 2014	Workshop	Stakeholder, Residents
November 2014	Workshop	Officers
November 2014	Presentation/Update	London Road Town Team
November 2014	Presentation/Update	Taxi Forum
December 2014	Workshop	Stakeholder, Residents
December 2014	Workshop	Officers
December 2014	Presentation/Update	Taxi Forum sub group
December 2014	Meeting	
December 2014	Update	Cultural Partners
December 2014	Update	Cultural Partners
January 2015	Meeting	Brighton and Hove Bus and Coach
		Company, Brighton Area Buswatch
February 2015	Meeting	Brighton and Hove Bus and Coach
		Company, Brighton Area Buswatch
April 2015	Presentation/Update	Pavilion Project Team
May 2015	Workshop	University of Brighton and Sussex
June 2015	Presentation/Update	Quality Bus Partnership
October 2015	Meeting	Brighton and Hove Bus and Coach
		Company, Brighton Area Buswatch