



upstart

Langholm Engagement Report,
Outcomes and Community Action Plan.





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Foreword

Upstart was commissioned by SURF following a successful application to the Scottish Government's Making Places scheme, matching a funding commitment from Dumfries & Galloway Council. The project set out to engage a younger demographic, those aged 14-40, that had been largely missing from conversations Langholm's future development.

The initiative gathered views, knowledge and ideas from this demographic who are living, working and/or studying in Langholm, on their aspirations for the town. Upstart produced a highly innovative programme of engagement. 150 people aged 14-40 took part in events, and further contributions were made via an online survey and the Upstart Facebook group. It was inspiring to see the depth and enthusiasm of the conversations taking place, and to learn more about the priorities of younger demographics, which include High Street improvement, more social and outdoor activity opportunities, and new enterprise opportunities. My thanks to New Practice (formerly Pidgin Perfect) and OutPost Arts for their commitment to the project, and especially to everyone who gave up their time, took part in events, and contributed their views.

This document features the recommendations of New Practice based on these conversations. The challenge now is for this to be the beginning, rather than the end, of the process. I hope 'Upstart' will continue as a group representing young people's view of the town, so that the conversation continues, young people continue to have a say in the town's development, and we see practical developments based on the outcomes of this project. It is for the people, community organisations and business of Langholm to decide which of New Practice's recommendations to take forward. SURF will take an active role in supporting this.

As a next step, SURF will draw up a series of practical actions based on this report in consultation with the Upstart Steering Group and local organisations. We hope to be able to implement some quick wins and progress bigger projects.

To keep in touch, join the Facebook group 'Upstart Langholm', or email peter@surf.scot.

Peter Renwick: Langholm Facilitator, SURF Scotland's Regeneration Forum

Introduction

Upstart was a facilitated series of engagements that had been lead by New Practice in collaboration with OutPost Arts, targeting an audience of residents of Langholm aged between 14-40 for our client SURF.

The aim of the project was to understand opinions and collect ideas around the future of the town of Langholm.

A series of five engagements took place over four weekends between March and April of 2019 as a collection of events, conversations and workshops. The majority of engagements had been hosted in the vacant Post Office on Langholm's High Street.

The project was split into two main stages, pre-engagement and engagement. Pre-engagement activities were used to inform approach and to allow the tool-kits used within workshops to be designed to refer specifically to Langholm's surroundings and environment. Engagement was used to gather

qualitative data through conversation and workshops created to collect the opinions of Langholm town centre whilst identifying areas of opportunity and improvement.

In addition to our client and collaborative partners a steering group consisting of local businesses and interested parties was utilised to gain further support and opinion throughout the engagement process.







River Esk



Along the High Street in Langholm

Pre Engagement Site Visit

To begin research a site visit was essential to gain understanding of Langholm, its amenities and assets as well as its offerings naturally and geographically.



Town Hall, Langholm



Buccleuch Centre





Reid & Taylor Mills



Langholm's Church



Buccleuch Park



Along the High Street in Langholm

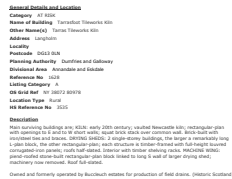


Reid & Taylor Mills / Housing facing the River Esk



Reid & Taylor Mills

General research was conducted to better position understanding of Langholm's current circumstances.

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A SURF Feasibility Study Report | May 2018

This paper was produced by SURF – Scotland's Regeneration Forum. It summarises the process and the main findings of a 2017/18 feasibility study, into the potential for practically and productively introducing SURF's 'Alliance for Action' regeneration approach in Langholm.

Since 2013, SURF has been operating a cross-sector, collaborative 'Alliance for Action' programme in a small set of communities across Scotland. The aim is to promote the most productive relationship between local circumstances, knowledge & assets and national regeneration agencies, policies & resources.

The programme's dual purpose is:

- to improve regeneration outcomes in participating communities;
- to enhance wider policy and resource considerations for supporting community regeneration in the current economic context.

The programme currently operates in four places: Dunoon (Argyll), East Kirkcaldy (Fife), Govan (Glasgow), and Rothesay (Isle of Bute). Feasibility studies for new potential sites in Dumfries & Galloway and Dundee are ongoing.

Further information, including project background, site progress reports and thematic briefing papers, is available on the SURF website: www.surf.scot/alliance-for-action

The 'Alliance for Action' programme is delivered by SURF and supported by the Scottish Government and the Big Lottery Fund in Scotland. Valuable additional support is provided by relevant local authorities and national agency partners.

Local Plan District	Local authority	Main catchment
Solway	Dumfries and Galloway Council	River Esk (Solway)

Water Source	Percentage
River	90%
Surface water	10%

- 180 residential properties
- 20 non-residential properties
- £300,000 Annual Average Damages

(damages by flood source shown left)

Objectives have been set by SEPA and agreed with flood risk management authorities. These are the aims for managing local flood risk. The objectives have been grouped in three main ways: by reducing risk, avoiding increasing risk or accepting risk by maintaining current levels of management.

Many organisations, such as Scottish Water and energy companies, actively maintain and manage their own assets including their risk from flooding. Where known, these actions are described here. Scottish Natural Heritage and Historic Environment Scotland work with site owners to manage flooding where appropriate at designated environmental and/or cultural heritage sites. These actions are not detailed further in the Flood Risk Management Strategies.

The actions below have been selected to manage flood risk.

Flood protection scheme/works	Natural flood management works	New flood warning	Community flood action groups	Property level protection scheme	Site protection plans
Flood protection study	Natural flood management study	Maintain flood warning	Awareness raising	Surface water plan/study	Emergency plans/response
Maintain flood protection scheme	Strategic mapping and modelling	Flood forecasting	Self help	Maintenance	Planning policies

THE CHOICE of **Lansholm** as Scotland's 'best market town to live and work' has been welcomed by the local constituency MP

As part of a study to be published today (Thursday), Royal Mail drew up a list of what were considered the best market towns to live and work in across the UK.

It concluded that Egremont in Cumbria was best in England, Langholm in Scotland, Denbigh in Wales and Carrickfergus in Northern Ireland.

Dumfriesshire Clydesdale and Tweeddale MP David Mundell welcomed the news that Langholm had been highlighted in the study.

He said: "While Langholm may have had bad economic news in recent times I think most local people would agree that the town has a wonderful community spirit and is set in a beautiful part of the world."

Meanwhile, Dumfriesshire constituency MSP Oliver Mundell added: 'Langholm's selection is well deserved. It is quite simply a really nice environment to live and work.'

"It can sometimes be tempting to focus purely on negative news but the Muckle Toon has many positives and we must build on them to shape a hopefully prosperous future."

Comments

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Langholm Regeneration

Observations & Recommendations for developing a 2030 Vision

David Borthwick 2019

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The town that became Scotland's chilli capital

By [Nicholas Rutherford](#)
BBC Scotland News

22 September 2018

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It all began as a joke but now Mark Hodgson can't even pop to the shops without having to discuss chillies with people in the street.

The small southern town of Langholm is laying claim to the title "chilli capital of Scotland" and Mark is the man responsible.

It was his love of the fiery fruit that has led to hundreds of homes growing chillies and a reputation that has spread around the world.

Mark grew his first chillies as a student in the 1950s, after he was given a plant by his favourite Bangladeshi takeaway.

[View gallery](#)

The first Thai Green chillies of the season

He has grown them almost every year since but last year, after planting his seeds, he had to go to the US for a couple of months.

Before leaving Langholm for the US, he handed his seedlings to "anyone who would take them", rather than see them die in his absence.

A doozy holiday drink made me go blind

Top Stories

Three Tory MPs join breakaway group
 Heidi Allen, Anna Godfrey and Sarah Wollastone criticised the government's "shameless handling of Brexit"
 27 minutes ago

Minor tremor or political earthquake?
 46 minutes ago

'Vague' to strip my UK citizenship - IS bride
 27 minutes ago

Features

The beach nobody can touch

After: UK expectations meet EU reality on Brexit

The Pope's biggest challenge

Stars set to shine at Brit Awards 2018

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Dumfries and Galloway Council

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2

Proposed Plan

JANUARY 2018



Pre Engagement

Town Study



Few parking Spaces

4 Parks / Green Spaces

1 Town Hall

Football, Rugby and Cricket Club



Pre Engagement Community Events Study

This page shows a selection of community events that currently take place in Langholm.



MOBILE POST OFFICE



Parliament Square, Langholm

WEDNESDAY'S
12.30pm - 3.30pm

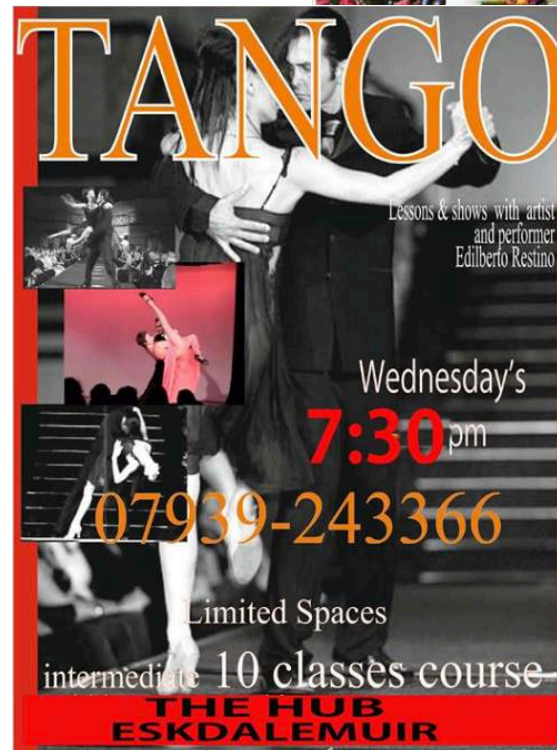
FRIDAY'S
9.30am - 3.30pm

MOBILE RBS VAN

Community Centre Car Park,
Charles St, Langholm.



EVERY THURSDAY
11.55am to 12.35pm



Tracey Goodfellow
23 February

Langholm Accordion & Fiddle Club

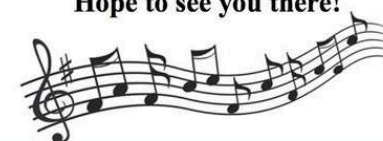
Langholm Social Club

Sunday 24th February

Ian Anderson Trio

1pm – 5pm

Hope to see you there!



Ballroom

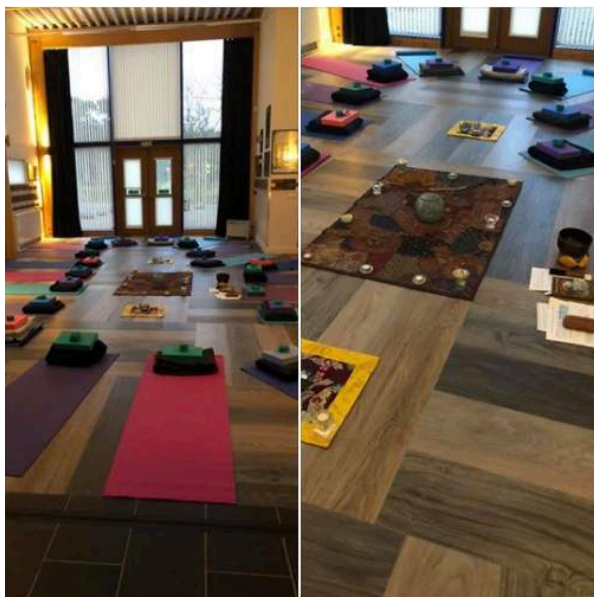
Are you a fan of Strictly Come Dancing?
Would your child like to learn how to

Langholm Academy
Assembly Hall
Monday 4 March to
Monday 1 April (5 weeks)
4pm - 5pm
Primary 1 – Primary 4
£2 per session

For further information
please e-mail
AEASCS@dumgal.gov.uk

Maureen Smith
Dancing who
will deliver these
classes are a
regular at British
Ballroom Dancing
Competitions at
Blackpool's Winter
Gardens with
numerous individual
and team winners at
the highest level.





ESK YOGA
26 January

Like Page

Just finished a morning of stretchy yoga and relaxation this morning at The Buccleuch Centre- thanks to all the yogis who came- a lovely group. Hope you enjoyed it as much as I did! 😊

PROJECT SPIN
DJ WORKSHOPS
EVERY WEDNESDAY
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7.30pm to 9.30pm



NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED AND
NEWCOMERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

Cost is £7.50

Our next
workshop is on

Friday 8th February

The café and bar will be open and it will be possible to get a light meal. Advance booking with the kitchen is needed.

We look forward to seeing you.

Amateur Operatic & Dramatic Society 2019



My
Fair
Lady

Buccleuch Centre, Langholm
Friday 18th - Friday 22nd March at 7.30pm
Friday 23rd March - Matinée at 2.30pm
£15 concessions £12

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www.buccleuchcentre.com

Dancing

to dance like the stars?



SAVING
SCOTLAND'S
RED
SQUIRRELS

Eskdale Red Squirrel Talk

In Partnership with Wild Eskdale, Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels is looking to set up a new network of volunteers in the Langholm and wider Eskdale area.

Come along to find out more about red squirrel conservation in your area, how volunteer networks across Dumfries & Galloway are helping and what you can do to get more involved.

Thursday 28th February 2019 at 7pm

Buccleuch Centre, Langholm, DG13 0AW

FREE

A Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels public talk is being held in Newcastleton on 26th March 2019, also FREE entry. For more information about either of these talks, please contact squirrels@scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk



scottishsquirrels.org.uk

Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels is led by the Scottish Wildlife Trust, a Scottish registered charity (charity number SC005792). It is also a company limited by guarantee and registered in Scotland (registered number SC040247). Image © Raymond Leinster.

the Buccleuch Centre
LANGHOLM
PARENT & TODDLER
Wednesday Lunch
Special
Every Wednesday
1 Child under 5 eats **FREE**
When purchased with an Adult Soup Special, Toastie Special or the Daily Meal from today's Specials Menu
The free meal consists of:-
A child's portion of Home-made soup with bread or Fresh sandwiches with crisps
Booking Recommended

Come and say Hi to all your local producers 🐾



Many Nice Things
1 February

Like Page

Valentine's Day is just 13 days away! 🍷💖💖💖 These charming, Hand Crafted, Heart Ornaments would be a lovely way to say "I Love You". Available now from Many Nice Things, they will be on offer at the Langholm Producers Market tomorrow 2nd of Feb. 🐾

Pre Engagement Approach

The approach to Upstart was to provide a new experience that was trendy and friendly. One that remained consistent through use of the branding from the online platforms through to workshops.

Creating the feeling of a fresh and new experience was a deliberate approach as it intended to encourage a potentially over-consulted audience to take part whilst enticing those who were within the targeted age group.

The name Upstart, derived from the Scottish slang, was chosen deliberately to continue the youthful and cheeky quality that had continued throughout the project.



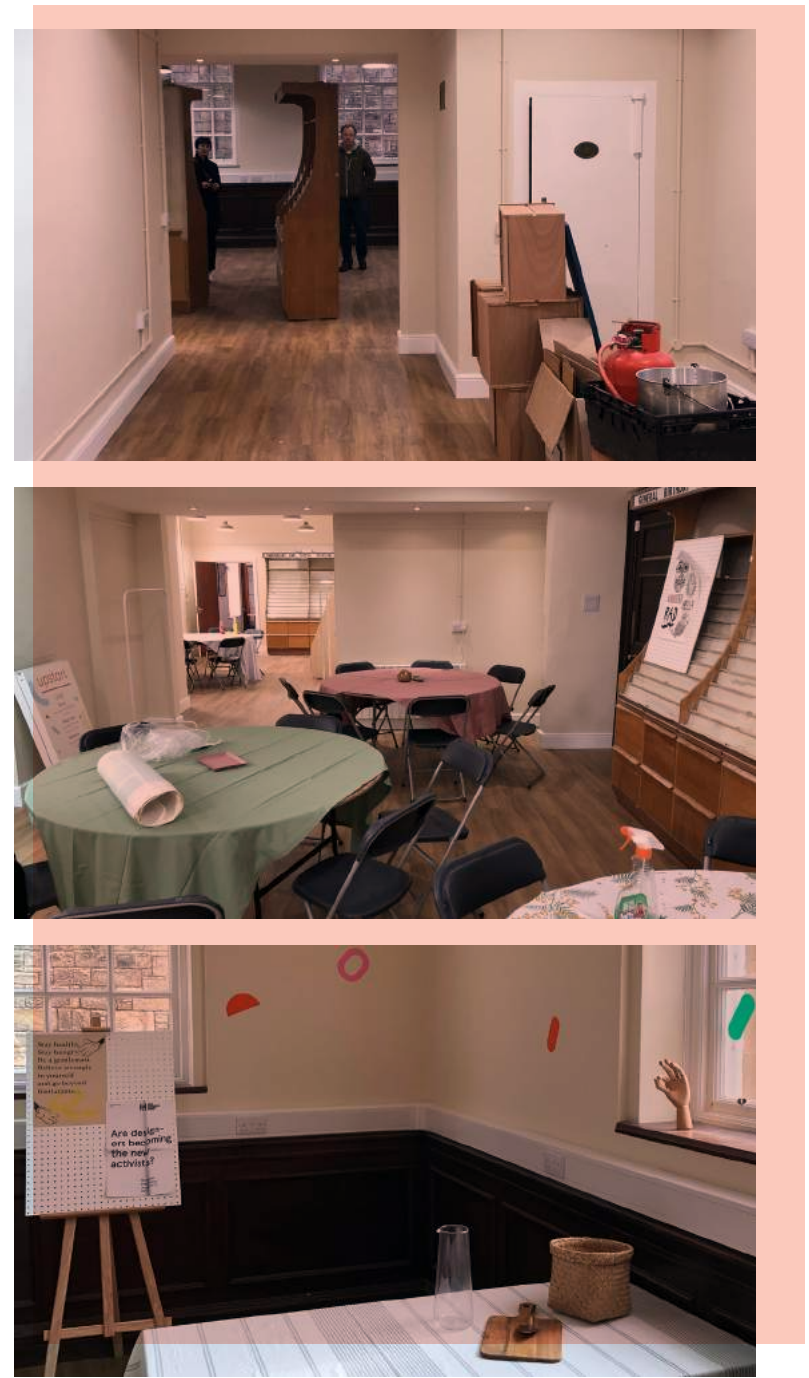
The background of the slide is white and features various abstract geometric shapes in a vibrant color palette. These include a large light orange circle in the upper left, a blue rounded rectangle with a green bar inside it in the upper center, a yellow circle with a green zigzag line passing through it in the upper right, a small red circle in the middle left, a green circle in the lower center, a large red hexagon with a blue bar passing through it in the lower right, and a yellow circle in the bottom left. The word 'upstart' is written in a bold, lowercase, red sans-serif font, positioned in the middle left of the slide. A thick red horizontal line is placed directly beneath the word.

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Pre Engagement Branding

The branding links in directly with current trends in graphic design that looks to target similar audiences. With inspiration drawn from popular high street shops and illustrators that create animated and friendly works, the graphic language was created.

The simple vector shapes, randomly placed throughout all physical material, and animated within our online platform, allows freedom of movement which relates directly into our approach for the project.



Pre Engagement

Post Office Transformation

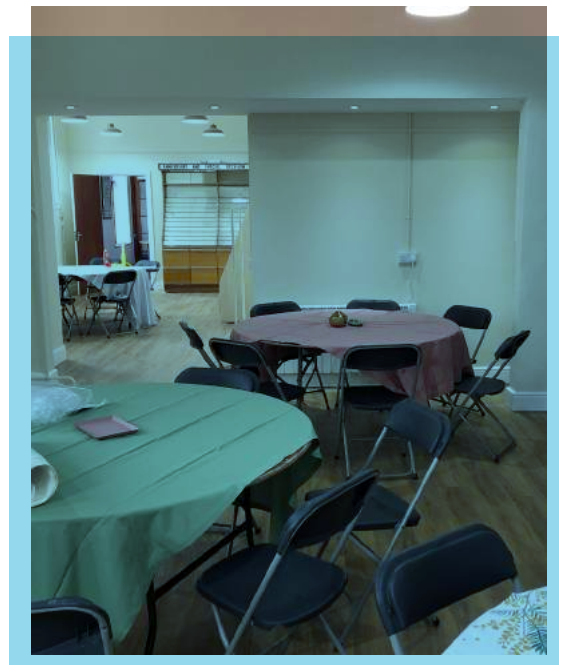
All workshops asides from the High School workshop, had taken place in the Post Office on Langholm High Street. This space was originally empty with bare walls and minimal furniture.

For the duration of the project, the space was dressed to replicate an urban cafe space.

Tables and chairs were placed throughout the space, with decorations such as plants, prints and magazines.

The entrance of the space was used to provide the location for workshops with the back room providing a seating area for those who did not wish to take part in the workshops.

Although the Post Office was dressed to create an enticing place for those to interact with the upstart project, it was also used as an example of the types of establishments that could be present on Langholm's High Street in the future.

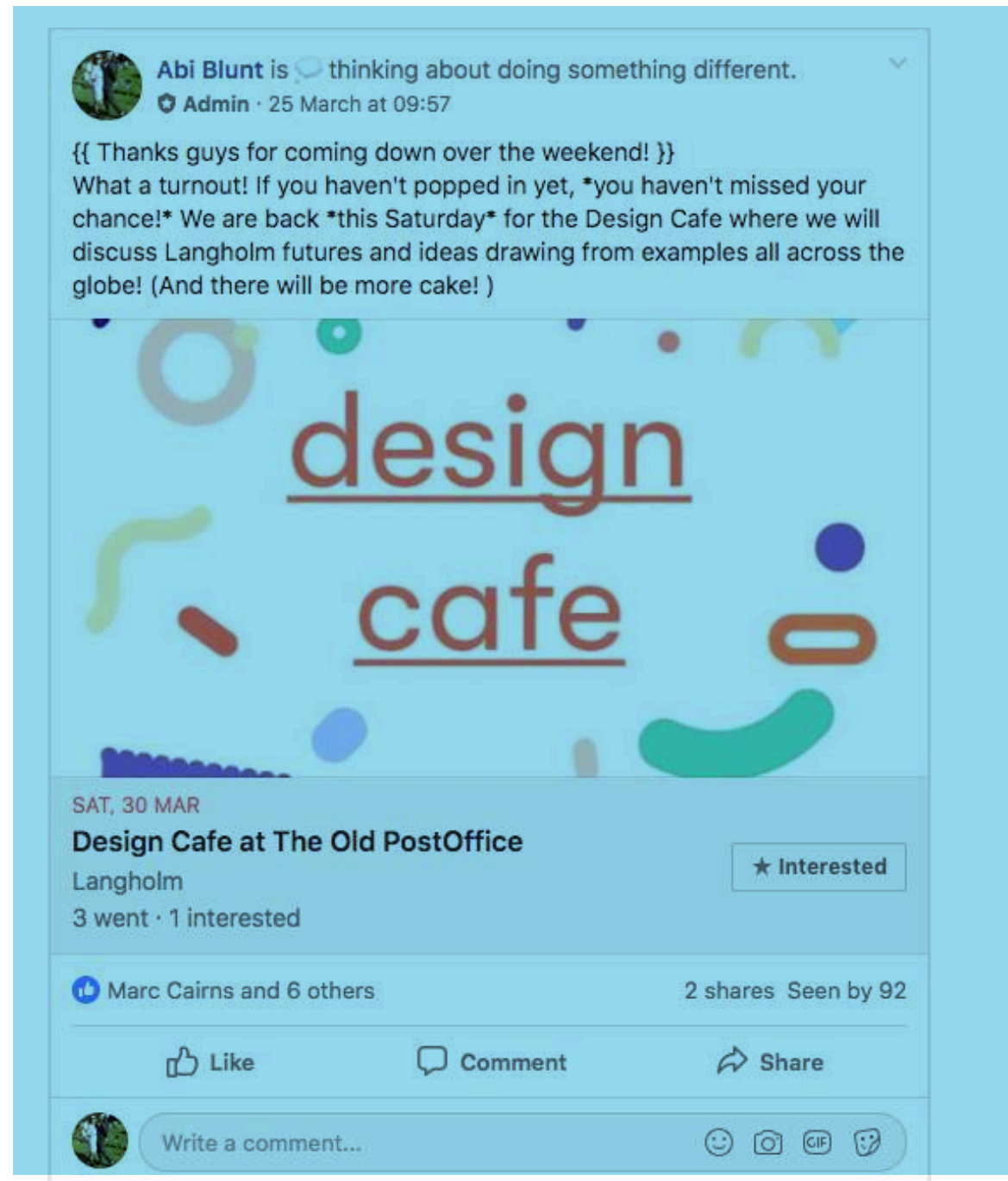


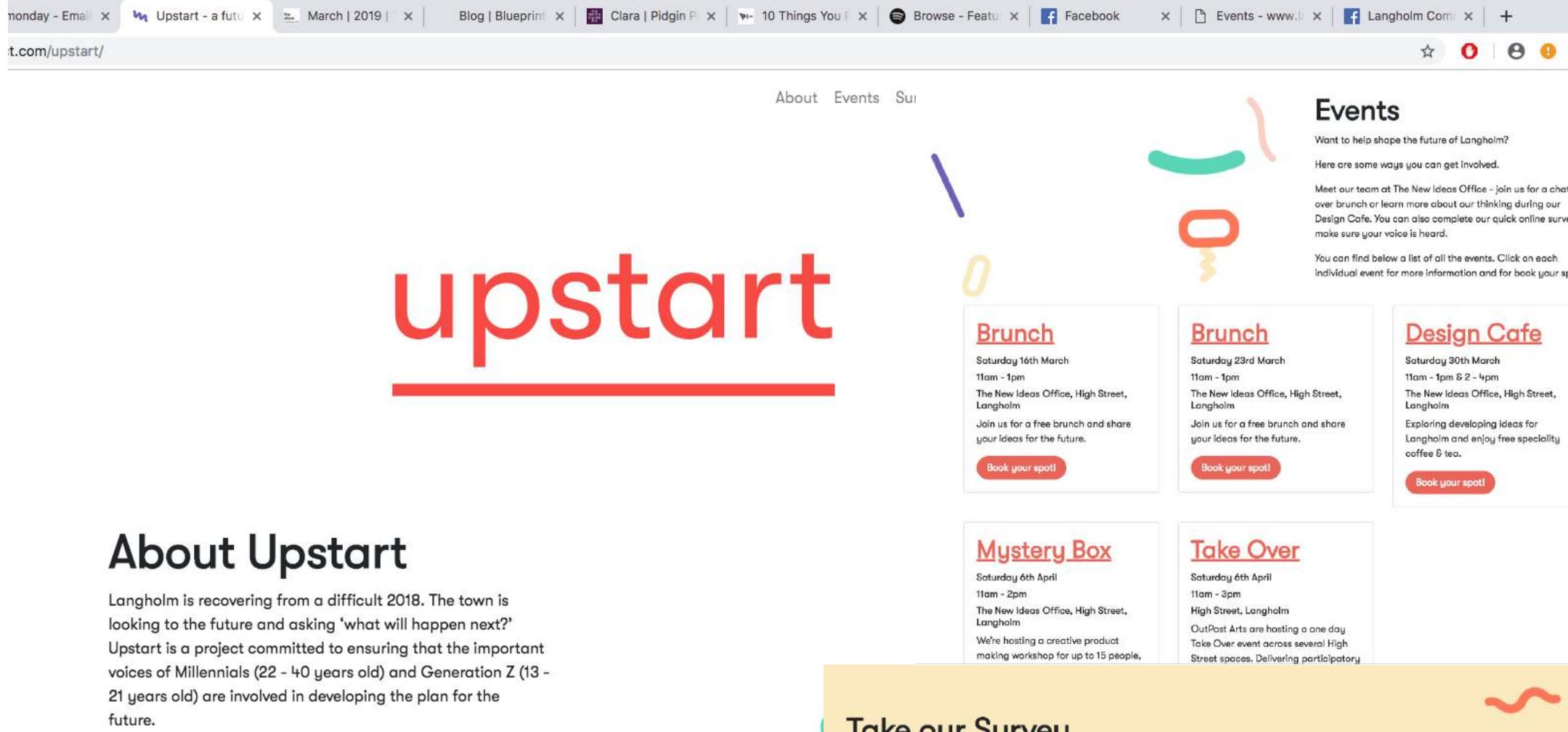
Approach

Website and Social Media

Social media was used heavily to advertise the project to our audience. Initially, Instagram, Facebook and Twitter were all utilised to spread the word of the project. After the first week, the level of engagement for each was re-visited and a more Facebook and Instagram heavy approach was taken.

The Upstart Langholm Group on Facebook was a great space for exchange as it had provided a platform to share similar projects and to allow members of the project facilitation team to be accessible. It had also created a space for those who were interested in the project to visit and gain an understanding as to what the project involved and spark that initial interest. The group also provided a means to advertise events and gather further opinions and data.





The Upstart provided streamlined platform that directly informed the visitor about the Upstart project, the members of the team who were facilitating the project, a calendar of all of the engagements dates, times and places as well as a link to the ongoing survey that was live throughout the project.

The survey was used to gather data throughout the project and was not restricted to those who were within the targeted age-group. The initial data from the survey was used to gather a pre-engagement insight into opinions that were likely to be mentioned throughout the facilitated engagements whilst finally

providing support to opinions and suggestions made within workshops during the engagement phase of the project.

Approach

Engagement

In keeping with the branding, the engagement was kept light and fun with hints of the branding throughout the tool-kits used within workshops.

The Post Office allowed a very relaxed consultation with teas, coffees and cakes on offer alongside versatile workshop tools to allow participants to use them in ways in which they felt most comfortable.

The tool-kits acted as conversation facilitators as well as materials which were able to be drawn on and written on to allow a more physical collection of data.





Engagement Statistics

School Workshop 15th March,

11am-3pm

Attendees: 40

40 x Under 18s'

Design Workshop 30th March,

11am-1pm 2pm-4pm

Attendees: 11

1 x Under 18s'

6 x 18-30s'

1 x 30 - 40s'

4 x 40+

Brunch 16th March,

11am-1pm

Attendees: 3

1 x 30-40s'

2 x 40+

Brunch 23rd March,

11am-2pm

Attendees: 28

9 x Under 18s'

16 x 18-30s'

1 x 30-40s'

2 x 40+

High Street Takeover 6th April,

11am-3pm

Attendees: 194*

19 x Under 18s'

44 x 18 - 30s'

66 x 30 - 40s'

46 x 40+

* Estimated Figures



People Engaged Face-to-Face

aged under 18

age 18-30

age 30-40

age 40+



16 Hours
of Direct Contact

Total Online Engagement

475

Website Users



5
Events

93

Facebook Group Members



12
Workshops

Survey Responses

age 17-25

age 26-35

age 36-45

age 40+



Engagement

School Workshop & Brunch Workshop Toolkit

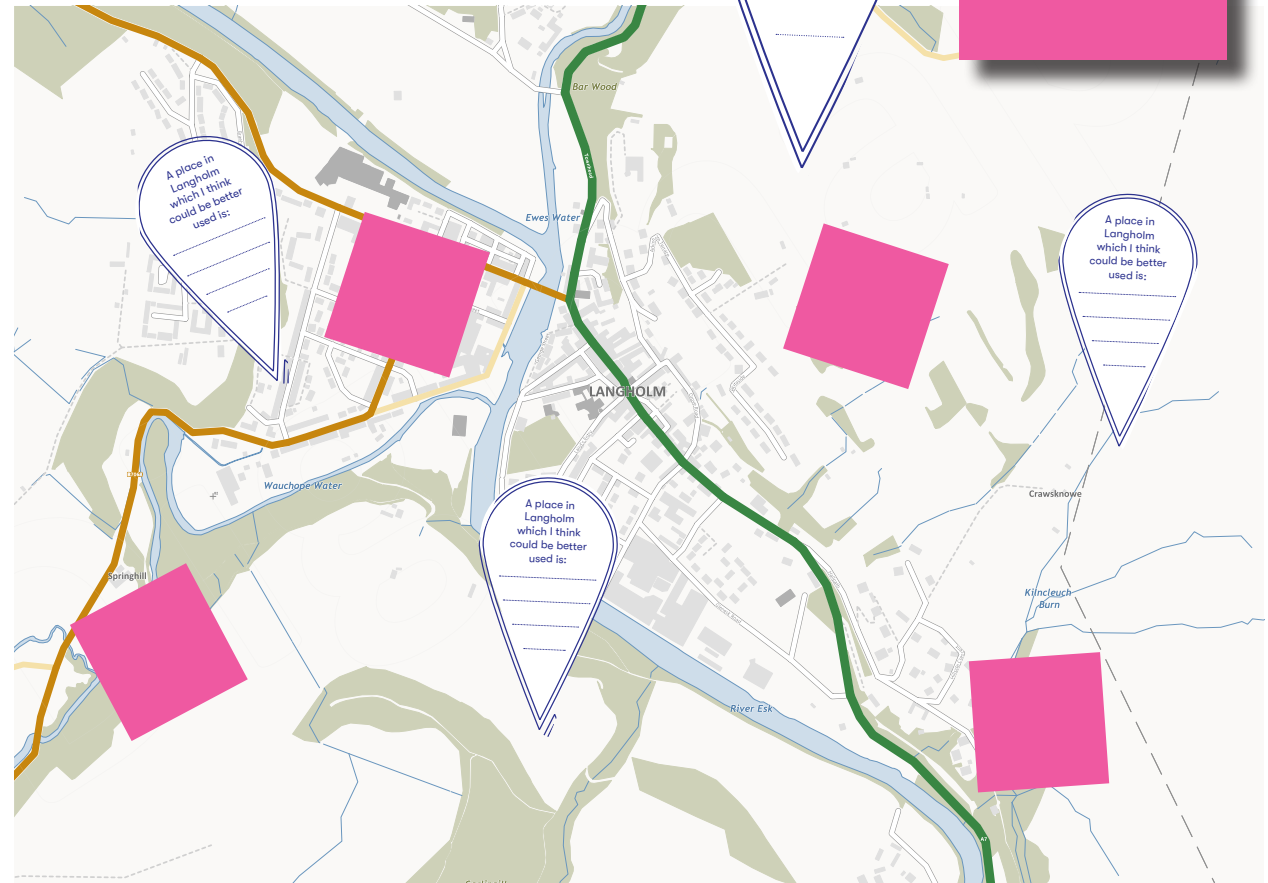
The two initial engagements were designed to gain initial opinions around what those within the target audience thought of Langholm.

The workshop was divided into five activities. The icebreaker activity, Identifying positives of Langholm, negatives of Langholm, the funding activity and the Q&As.

The initial ice breaker activity was to get participants familiar with discussing Langholm as a place. This was followed by identifying the positive and negative aspects that they deemed Langholm to have whilst placing comments on the map of Langholm provided. The positive comments were placed on the sticky-notes and the negative were written on the map marker.

The students were then to select their top and bottom three aspects of Langholm and were to place them in the categories that they deem the chosen aspects of Langholm to fit within. They were then 'given £100,000' to divide between the eight categories as they saw fit.

Positives and Negatives about Langholm



This was followed by the Q&A sheet that proposed questions of what is most important to the future of Langholm and who is able to facilitate change.

Icebreaker



Crown - good chips, good to go for lunch
 And for day
 Local's - ~~very~~ reasonable prices, good
 to go for lunch



- It doesn't look appealing to the town if it's not looking
 - it's not for the town
 - it's not for the town
 - it's not for the town
 - nothing really happen here

Question and Answer

What is important to Langholm's Success?

What can you do as project planners?

What can you do as students?

Funding Activity

Community

30k Culture

Movement

Education

Housing 40k

Entertainment

Sustainability

Employment

20k

10k

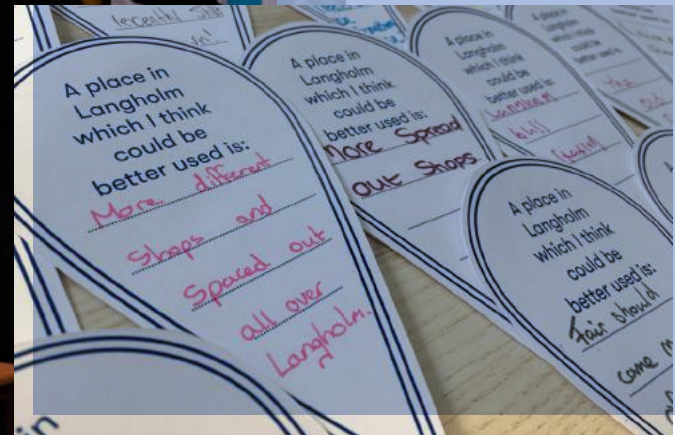
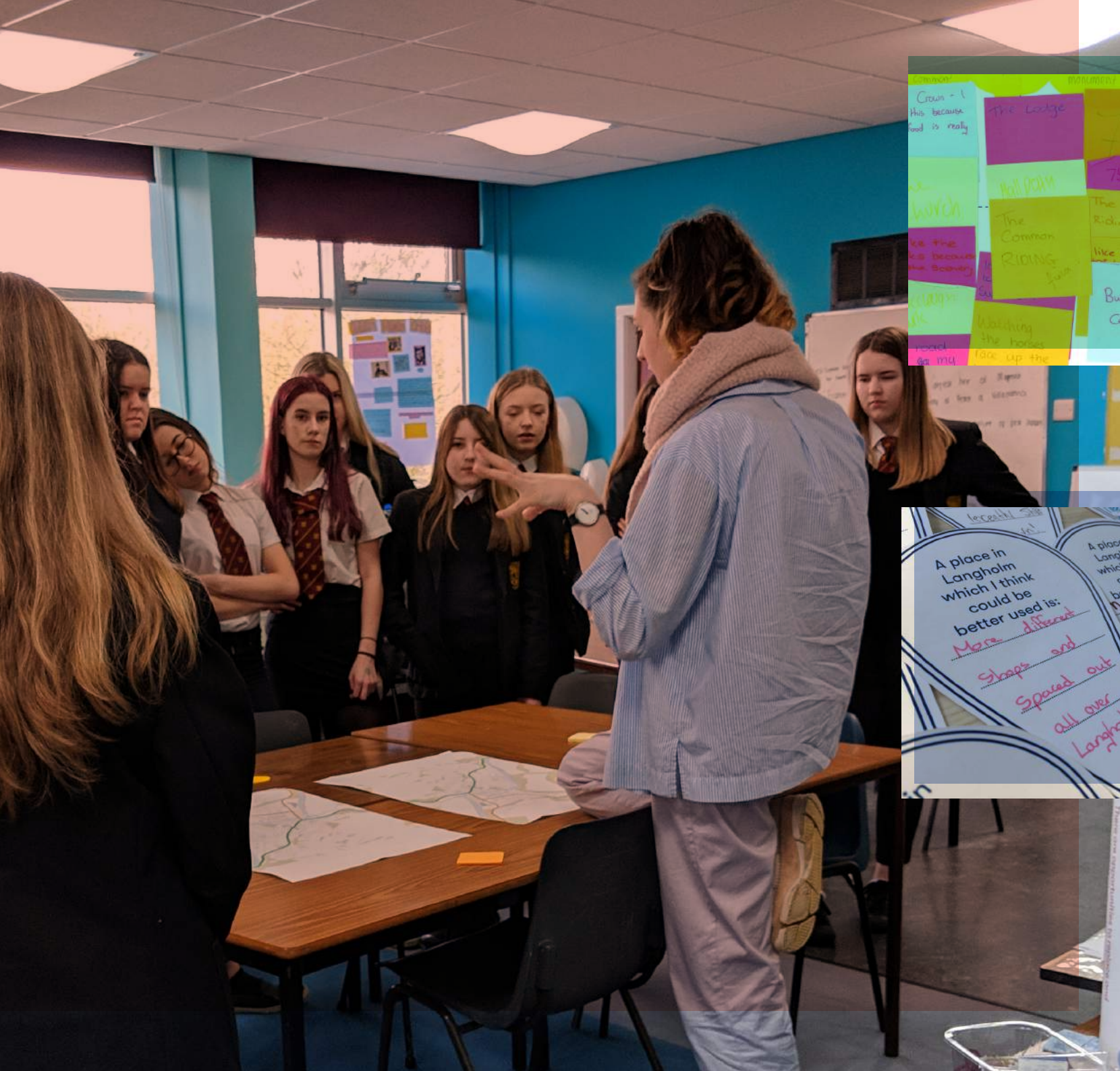
School Workshop

The school workshop was conducted over a morning and afternoon session. These were purposefully split into boys and girls group to create a space that encouraged freedom of speech with less presence of social politics.

The boys session in the morning hosted two groups of thirteen boys in each and the afternoon the girls had three groups, two of five and one of four.

Because of the number of participants in the morning and the shorter time slot, the boys group had a more rigidly timed workshop with less chance for more anecdotal data collection. However, because the numbers were more manageable and a longer time-slot was provided for the afternoon, the workshop was allowed to take a more conversational approach.





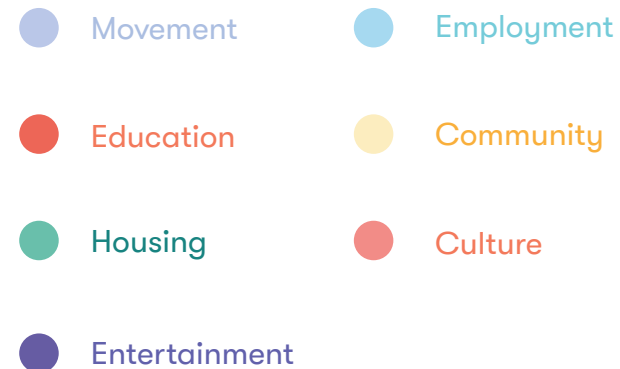
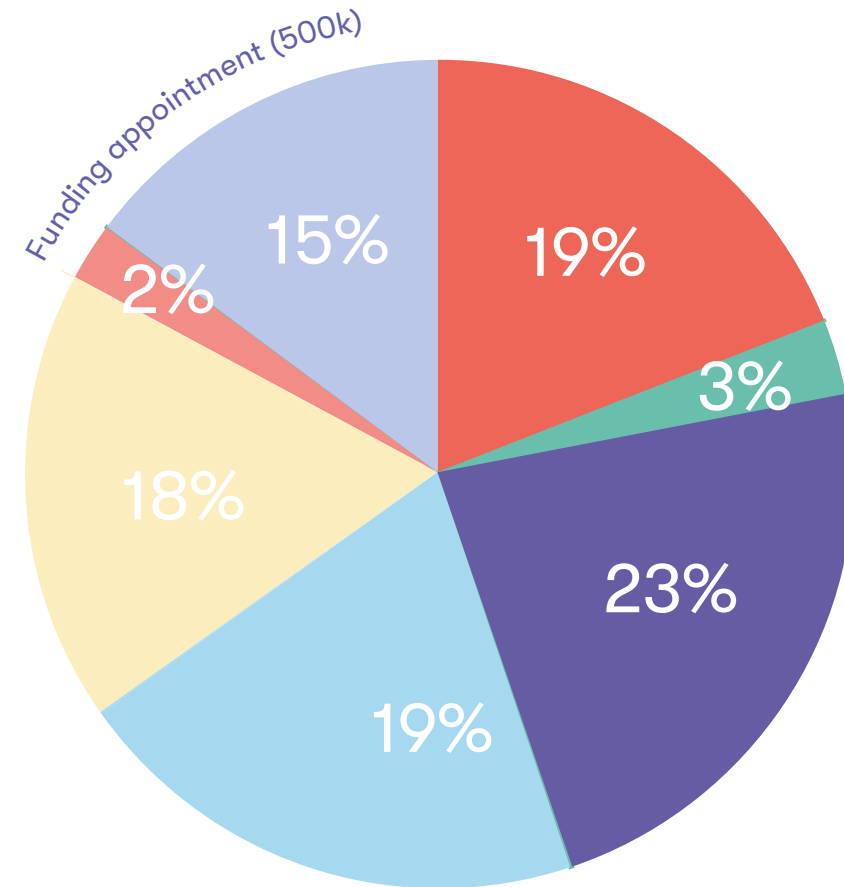
Engagement: Results

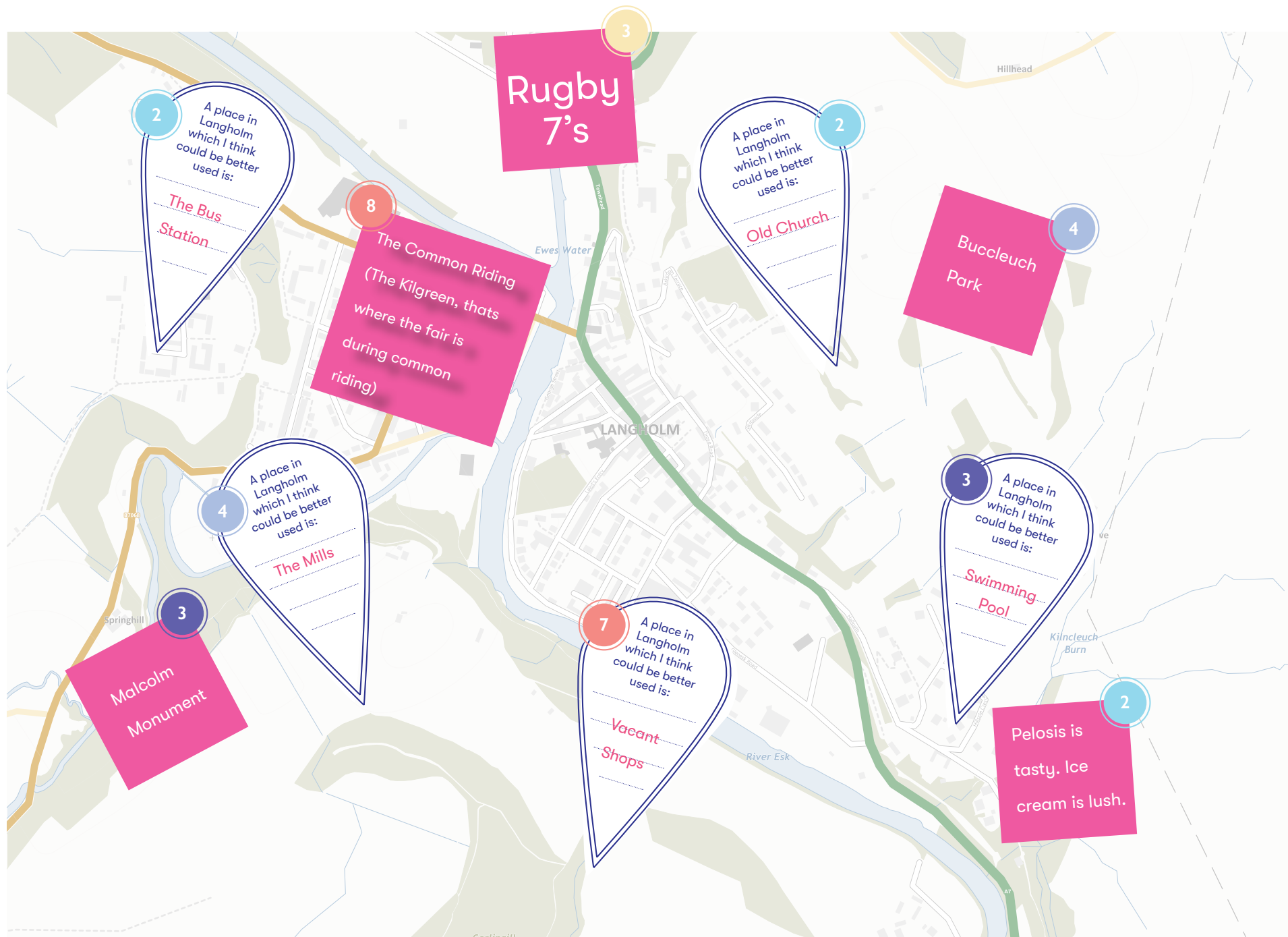
School Workshop & Brunch Workshop

Age Range Captured: 13-40

The opposite page provides a look into the main data collected as a result of the school workshop and the initial brunch engagement.

The top five and bottom five opinions of Langholm are illustrated to the right with the number of repetitions on the corner of each for reference.



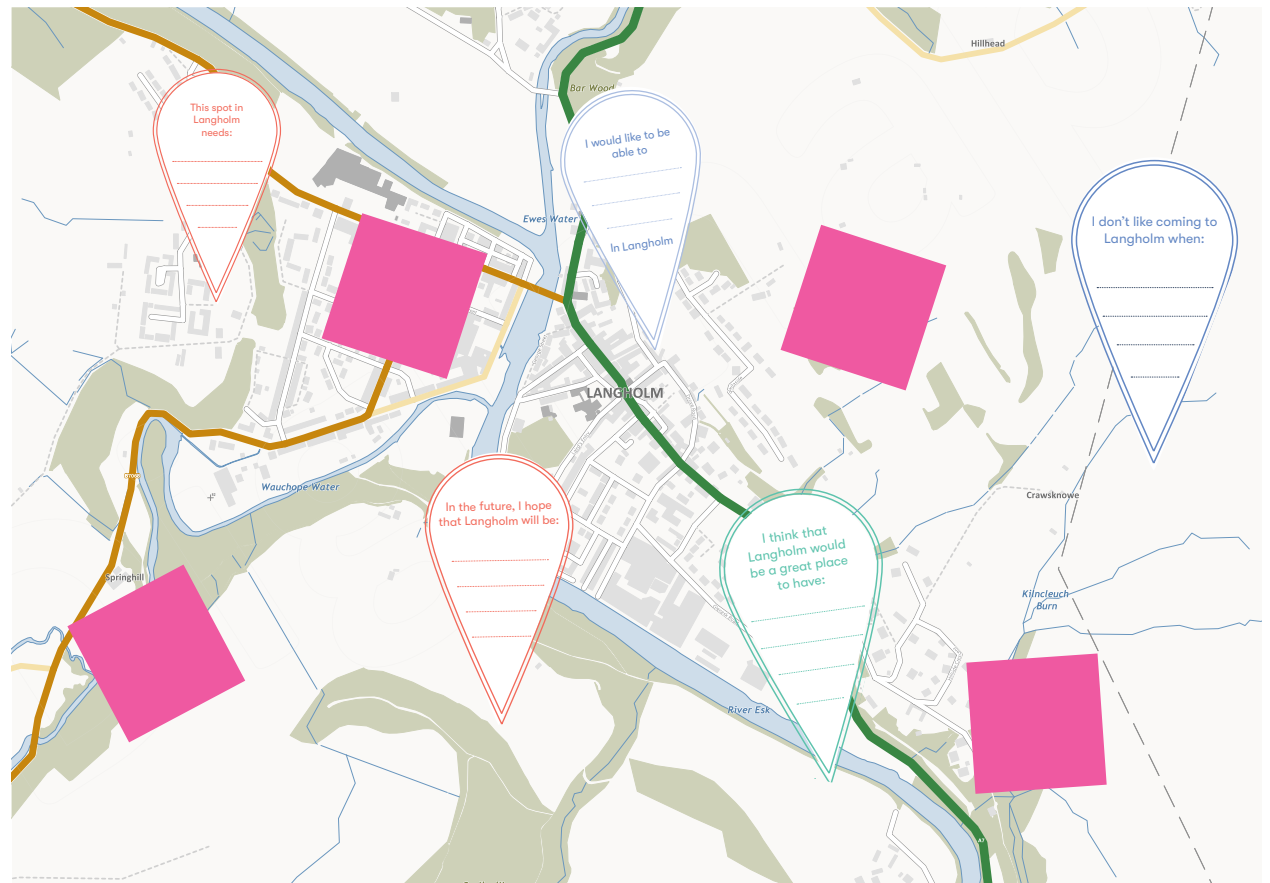


Engagement

Brunch Workshop Tool-kit

The second brunch tool-kit was created to extend the success of the map marker tool. In a similar fashion to the previous workshop, attendees were invited to write answers to the question given on each map marker and were asked to place the filled-in marker on the map provided.

This workshop focussed on asking a different variety of questions, expanding into questions that prompt future thinking about where participants wish Langholm to be in the future, foreshadowing the workshop to follow the next weekend.





I don't like coming to
Langholm when:

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I think that
Langholm would
be a great place
to have:

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In the future, I hope
that Langholm will be:

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This spot in
Langholm
needs:

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I would like to be
able to

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In Langholm

I dont visit this space
often because:

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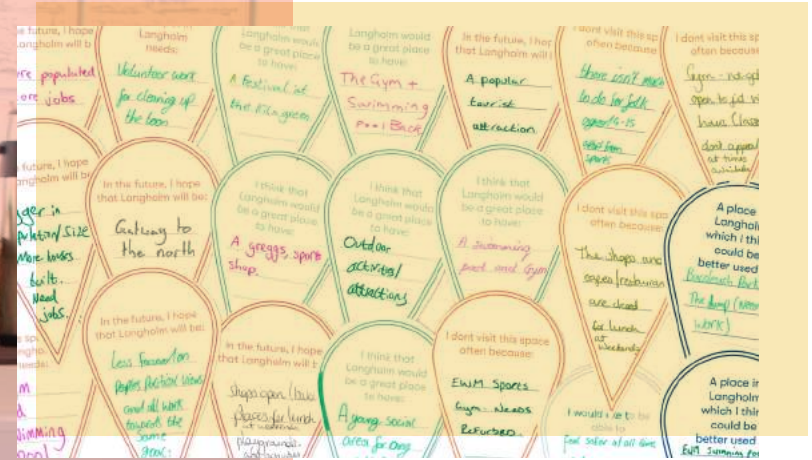
Brunch

The second brunch (23/03/19) was well attended with a great amount of engagement from all attendees.

With the larger numbers, the workshop and map markers were used as conversation prompts for more of a group discussion approach to the workshop. This worked well for those who felt comfortable voicing their opinions however the marker still was able to provide those who were less confident a way in which they were also able to contribute.

As more topics were addressed, participants contributed identified pockets of opportunity within the discussion. These were each discussed and placed on the map using the sticky notes provided.





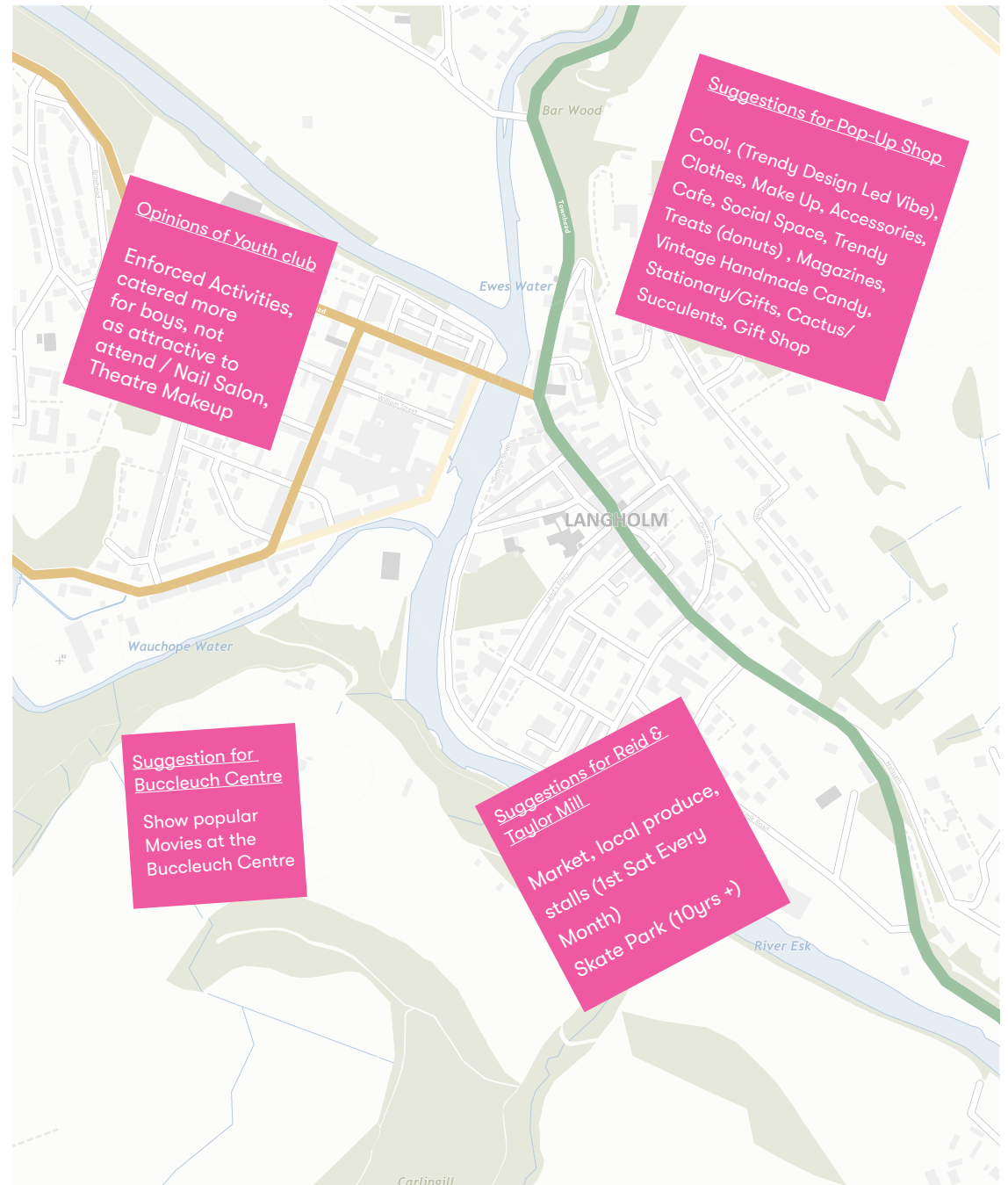
Engagement: Results

Brunch Workshop

Age Range Captured: 12-35

The final brunch engagement data is shown to the right.

The most frequent answers for each marker question has been depicted with number of reposts marked on each. This has been presented alongside suggestions that had been gathered as identified areas of opportunity for future Langholm as the post-its on the map to the right.





Engagement Design Cafe Toolkit

Following the previous workshop, a variety of identified areas of opportunity for Langholm were collected.

These, amongst the suggestions for potential ways of capitalising on the opportunities, directly informed a selection of precedence studies that were to prompt conversation around the scale of projects appropriate for Langholm, feasibility as well as to spark conversations around concepts that were not entirely related to previous ideas that had been identified.

Alongside this, cards with buildings and spaces around Langholm, were created and presented. These were intended to be used alongside cards depicting the precedence studies to have attendees pair projects with spaces in Langholm to further push the conversation surrounding what participants wish the future of Langholm to look like and begin to understand what facilities are available to be central to the creation of the new Langholm.



RESTAURANT DAY, FINLAND

RESTAURANT DAY IS A WORLDWIDE FOOD CARNIVAL AND A MOVEMENT THAT ALLOWS ANYONE TO SET UP A RESTAURANT, CAFE OR A BAR.

During the first five years from May 2011 to May 2016 Restaurant Day was celebrated four times a year. From May 2016 every day is Restaurant Day and pop-up restaurants can be opened and local food carnivals can happen anytime and anywhere: at your home, at the office, on a street corner, in your garden or inner courtyard, at a park, or on the beach – only your imagination is the limit.



THE WHITE HOUSE, UK

THE WHITE HOUSE, A DERELICT 18TH CENTURY FARMHOUSE WAS TURNED INTO A NEW PUBLIC SPACE FOR ART AND SOCIAL ACTIVITY. THE WHITE HOUSE INVITES ARTISTS TO LIVE AT THE HOUSE, TO MAKE NEW ART AND JOIN PEOPLE LIVING LOCALLY TO CREATE THE VISION FOR THIS NEW PUBLIC BUILDING.

Since opening, The White House has been home to fifteen artists and hosted a range of workshops, talks, dinners and events – with artist residencies resulting in activity including a socialist pantomime, a meekumentary film, a site-specific theatre production, and an anti-social social club. Alongside the artist residencies, the House hosts a Front Room Programme, which includes coffee mornings, arts and craft groups facilitated by local people, poetry classes and film screenings.



COCKHORSE WORKSHOP, UK

Cockhorse Workshop is a public space dedicated to making and mending, just one of London. They offer open access to a fully equipped wood and metal workshop, to become a socially pioneering world class centre for making', making from their highly skilled technicians, and there you can build or fix anything, grow your start-up with the support of industry expertise and a community of makers.

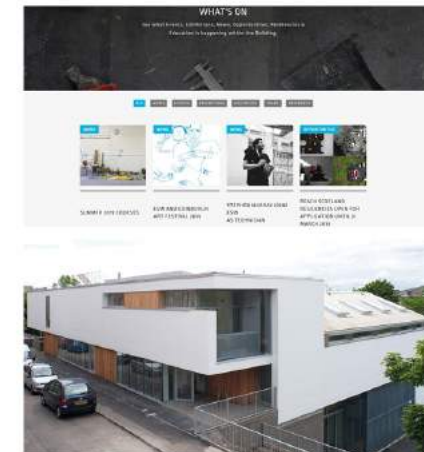
They run courses and events, from basic DIY skills to the art of welding. They also offer expert fabricators and craftsmen from a range of industries to talk and share their expertise, and a community of makers and masters to form.



GRANBY WORKSHOP, UK

THE WORKSHOP WAS SET UP BY ASSEMBLE AS PART OF THE COMMUNITY-LED EFFORTS TO REBUILD GRANBY, A LIVERPOOL NEIGHBOURHOOD THAT WAS NEARLY MADE DERELICT BY DECADES OF POORLY-PLANNED REGENERATION INITIATIVES.

A resourceful, creative group of residents started to bring the neighbourhood back to life by clearing, planting, painting, and campaigning. And in 2011 they entered into an innovative partnership with Assemble to secure 10 empty houses, and renovate them as affordable homes. The workshop's first range of products were designed for the houses being renovated since then the Workshop has since grown considerably, a process accelerated by being the Turner Prize in 2015. The business remains strongly community orientated – operating its premises on Granby Rd., participating in the monthly community market, and continues to contribute to ongoing local renovations.



EDINBURGH SCULPTURE WORKSHOP, UK

LOCATED IN THE COMMUNITY OF NEWHAVEN, EDINBURGH SCULPTURE WORKSHOP IS A PLACE WHERE ARTISTS MAKE AND DEVELOP WORK.

They support artists in many different ways, providing subsidised studios, open access to affordable workspaces and specialist facilities as well as training and professional development. We commission new work, provide funding through a year-round programme of residencies and employ artists across all areas of activity. Edinburgh Sculpture Workshop is open to anyone interested in learning about or making sculptures. For individuals or groups wanting to develop skills and knowledge our learning programme includes courses, tailored workshops and skills training. A free public programme of talks, exhibitions and tours provide other ways to get involved and meet artists.



GINGER AND SPICE FESTIVAL, UK

A BRAND NEW HERITAGE FOOD AND DRINK EVENT CELEBRATING THE CULINARY HERITAGE AND HISTORY OF GINGERBREAD, TO THE TOWN OF MARKET DRAYTON.

Thousands of high street businesses and outlets are closing behind a high street filled with empty premises. Market Drayton in Shropshire, is no exception. Market Drayton is a town with a rich history and connections to the farming community and for hundreds of years has been a hub for the town. The town's farmers and their wives would do their weekly shopping at the gingerbread, for which the town became famous.



JEPPE HEIN BENCHES, WORLDWIDE

OUT OF INVESTIGATING ARCHITECTURE, COMMUNICATION, AND SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR IN THE URBAN SPACE, A SERIES OF BENCH DESIGNS WAS BORN UNDER THE COMMON TITLE 'MODIFIED SOCIAL BENCHES'. THE BENCH DESIGNS BORROW THEIR BASIC FORM FROM THE USUBOUTOUS PARK OR GARDEN BENCH, BUT ARE ALTERED TO VARIOUS DEGREES TO MAKE THE ACT OF SITTING A CONSCIOUS PHYSICAL ENDEAVOUR.

With their modifications, the benches transform their surroundings into places of activity rather than rest and solitude; they foster exchange between the users and the passers-by, thus lending the work a social quality. Due to their alterations, the benches sit up somewhere between a dysfunctional object and a functional piece of furniture, and therefore demonstrate the contradiction between artwork and functional object.



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FESTIVAL, UK

AT THE GINGER AND SPICE FESTIVAL
HISTORICAL LINKS OF SPICES, FOOD AND
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created a regular busy trading place, where
shopping, as well as enjoy local delicacies such as
known as the 'home of gingerbread.'



FOREST LOOP, JAPAN

FOREST LOOP IS A PUBLIC SCULPTURE DESIGNED FOR INTERACTION.

"Majority of the existing architecture projects shows a sense of completion once the building is completed. For Forest Loop, we are inspired by the growing idea of forest. We tried to expand the possibilities of usage and interactions that can connect with visitors and residents. For example, if you place a net to the structure, it will become a play land for kids. If you add a tree house, it can turn into a residential architecture for people to live."



GOVANHILL BATHS, UK

GOVANHILL BATHS IS A COMMUNITY HUB BASED IN THE HEART OF GOVANHILL PROVIDING FREE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING WORKSHOPS AND CLASSES FOR THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

The aim is to reopen the Baths as a Well-being Centre incorporating three pools, a health suite and other sports and health initiatives.



THE PEOPLES SUPERMARKET, UK

THE PEOPLE'S SUPERMARKET HAS CLOSE RELATIONSHIPS WITH PRODUCERS THAT ARE GEOGRAPHICALLY NEARBY CAN OFFER FRESH, LOCAL PRODUCE WHILST SUPPORTING A HEALTHIER MORE SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC MODEL.

The People's Supermarket now functions as a local community hub where many people know each other and enjoy connection and events.

The People's Kitchen is the next step - cooking up what would become food waste from his supermarket and serving up delicious food at a great and affordable price.



COMMUNITY AGRICULTURE SCHOOL, CAMBODIA

ADVANCED FARMING TECHNIQUES WILL BE TAUGHT TO 50 STUDENTS AT A TIME IN THE AGRICULTURE TECHNOLOGY CENTRE, DESIGNED BY SQUIRE & PARTNERS AND SAYA IN KRONG SAMRAONG, CAMBODIA.

The school, which is built from locally sourced materials including red bricks, concrete render, and bamboo screens, will provide further learning for students from a network of 40 primary schools established by the Green Shoots Foundation. It was constructed over a four-month period by contractors, farmers and volunteers from the UK.



COVE PARK, UK

COVE PARK'S UNIQUE PROGRAMME OF RESIDENCIES, COMMISSIONS AND COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS RESPOND TO AND SUPPORT THE DIVERSITY OF CONTEMPORARY ARTISTIC PRACTICE IN ALL THE ART FORMS.

We host national and international artists from all cultures and career stages. We create a supportive and stimulating context in which new work and ideas can be developed, tested and shared. The bespoke and award-winning spaces we provide for residents and visitors to live, meet and work in, are located on an outstanding site overlooking Loch Long and the Firth of Clyde, just one hour from Glasgow, on Scotland's west coast.



ARACHI PAVILION, MEXICO

FOLLOWING DISCUSSIONS WITH THE COMMUNITY, A STRUCTURE WAS CREATED ON A SAKAY SQUARE THAT WOULD PROVIDE SHELTER FOR A RANGE OF OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES.

These include a traditional dance called Mariachi, events for the local church and a place for children to socialise. The team used simple, cheap and easily accessible materials throughout the pavilion. Wooden poles slanted into the base of the upper volume provide a covering to the structure, while strips of fabric are pulled taut across the top to offer additional shade.



FENNELLY'S COURTYARD SCREEN, CAMBODIA

COURTYARD SCREEN ADDRESSES THE LACK OF SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC SPACE CREATES A NEW INFRASTRUCTURE FOR PEOPLE TO GATHER.

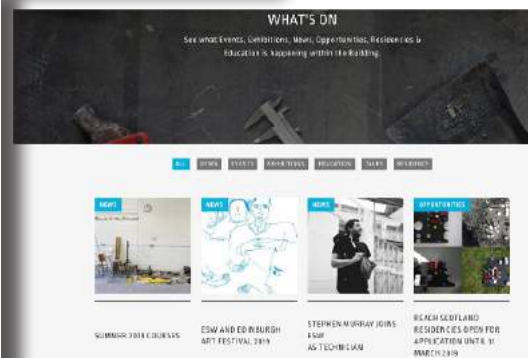
The structure was built through workshops in wood carving, traditional weaving led by Studio Weave and master tradespeople creating a weatherproof gaze courtyard. This new space will continue to be utilized in the community-led welcoming new storybook contributors at all Courtyard Screen events.



BATTERY PARK, SOUTH AFRICA

THE PROJECT FORMS PART OF AN URBAN TRANSFORM THE UNDERUSED CANAL.

Battery Park includes a concrete skate court and new pedestrian routes to attract to all of Cape Town's inhabitants demographic.



CAMPSPACE, WORLDWIDE

Campspace encourages people to use their space to accept travellers into their gardens, fields, jungles.

"Sharing your space is simple and fun and you can even make some money while doing so. But your contribution is more than just the space. It's what you do with it. Turn your backyard into a romantic getaway, or transform your rooftop into a yoga terrace. Create a space with a story and attract the type of traveller you would like to meet."

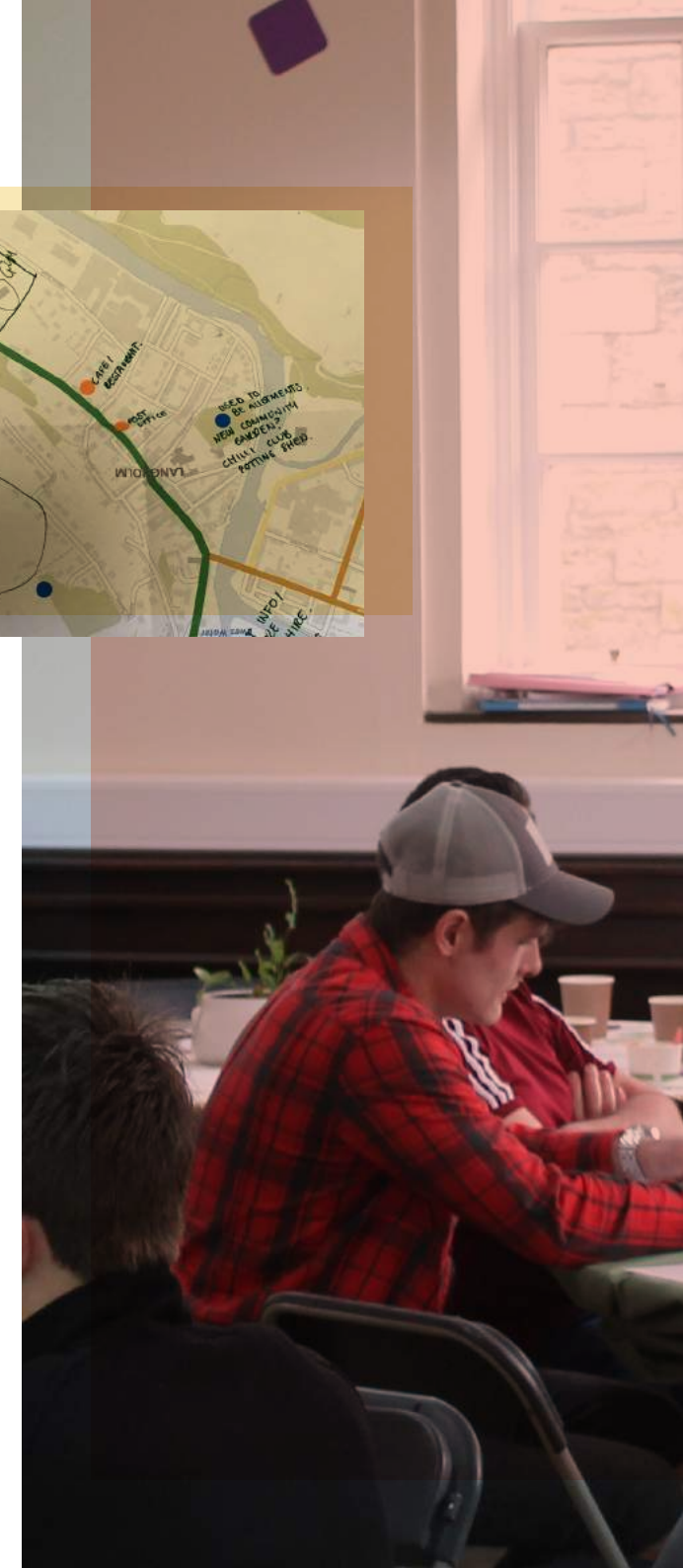


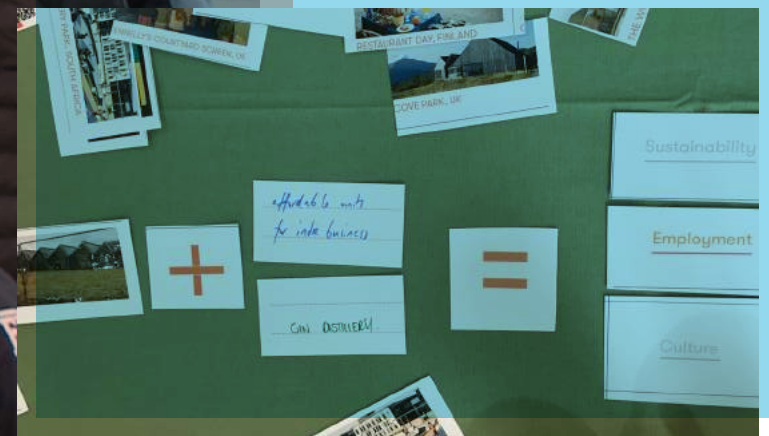
Design Cafe

The Design Cafe was successful in attracting a number of repeat attendees from the previous workshops whilst also attracting a number of new attendees.

The precedence studies were discussed initially with feasibility in the forefront of participants minds, this had then lead into discussion around pairing particular studies or aspects of studies with buildings present in Langholm. During this activity, the Battery Park precedence project had been discussed and addressed with frank emotion due to a previous failed attempt of introducing a skate-park to Langholm.

The workshop had then turned to creating a future Langholm on the map. This allowed full areas of Langholm to be identified and discussed as opposed to just single buildings.





Engagement: Results

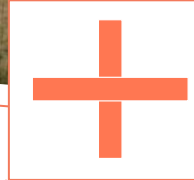
Design Cafe Results

Age Range Captured: 24-35

The map to the left depicts the 'Future Langholm.'

This is a map that the workshop attendees had created showing a mix of suggestions for current vacant buildings, identifications of areas that decided less pleasant, such as the 'old dump' as well as reinstating previously available amenities that they wish to be more available for varied usage such as the Post Office.

The two collections of cards to the right show how attendees had initially started the exercise by using the vacant building cards and suggested services that could be available within these buildings in the 'future Langholm.'



Gin / Whiskey/Cider Distillery

Affordable Units for Business

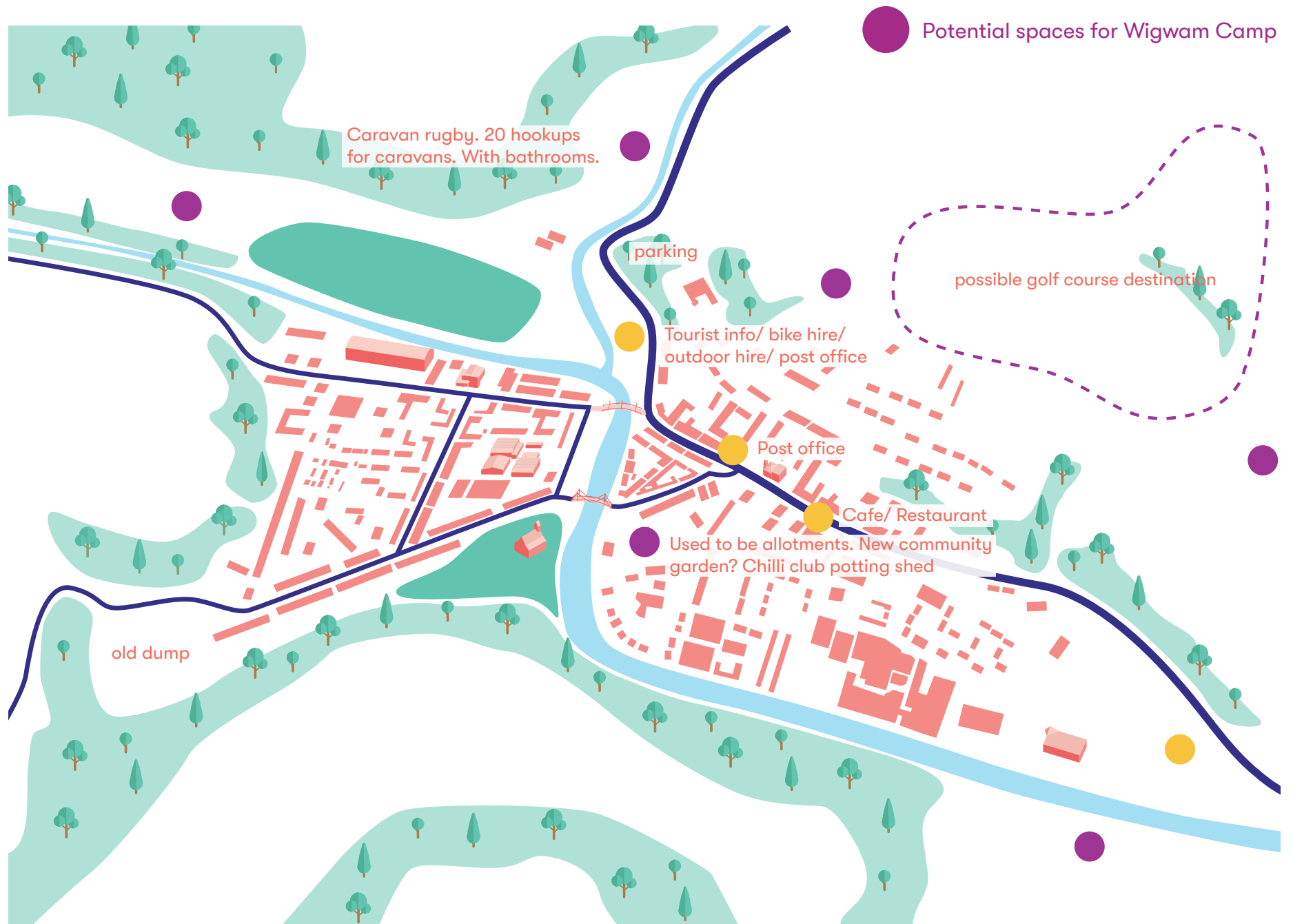
Rugby Grounds/ Caravan Site



Castleholm

Glamping Site



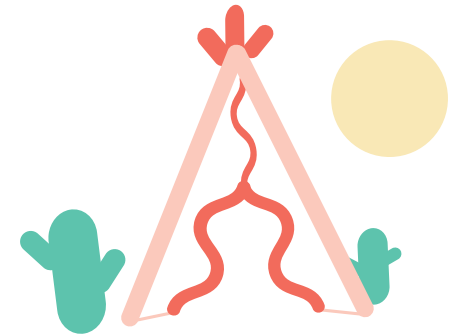
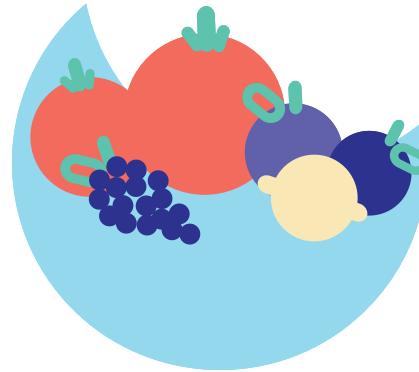


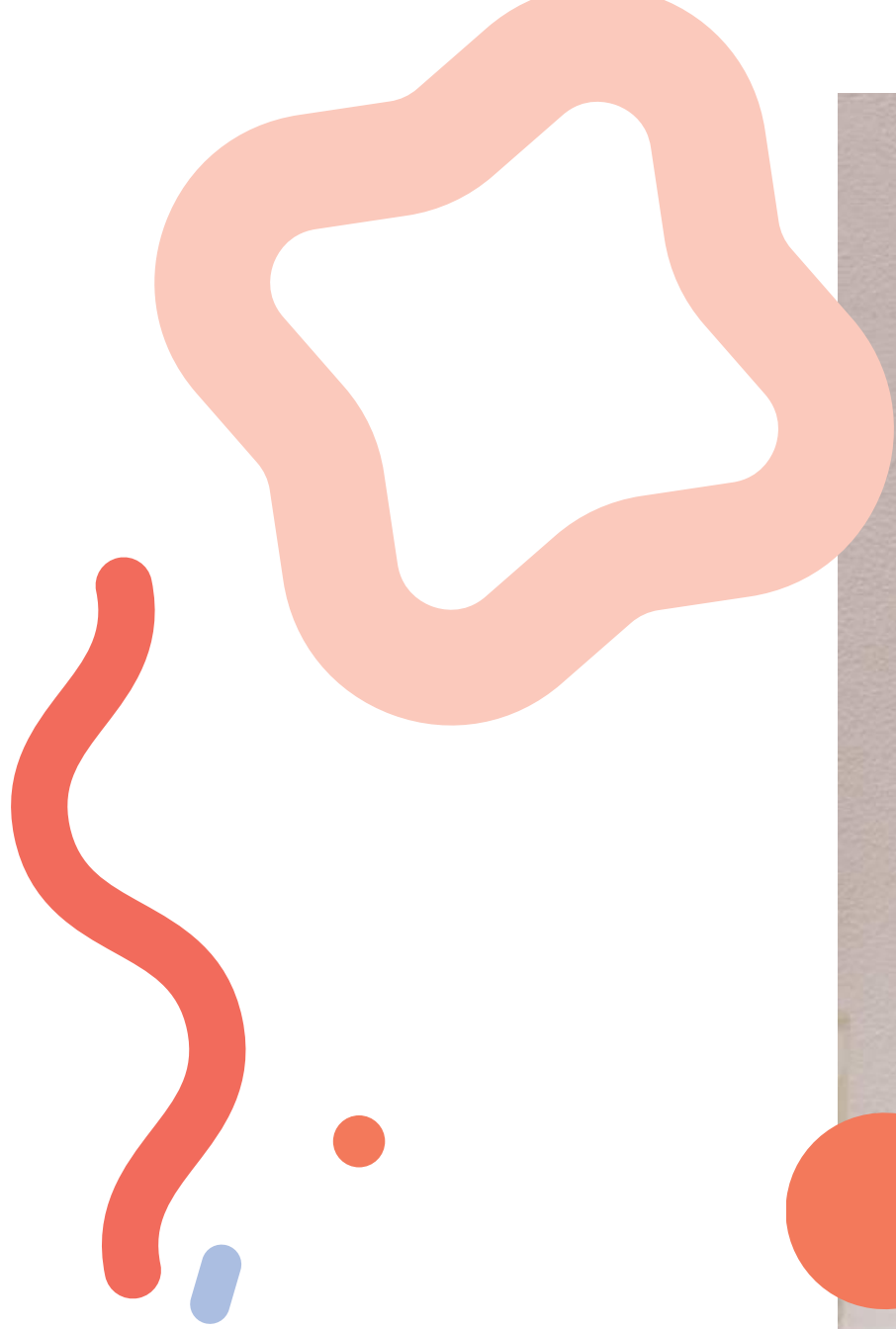
Candle Making

The candle making workshop was a part of the High-street takeover. This workshop was selected to directly relate to the lifestyle retail offerings that previous participants were calling for in the previous engagements.

Each scent was based off of a particular suggestion for facilities that Langholm could house in the future. Each scent was explained and the user will have chosen their favourite and created a fragrance wax candle.

These label names were used as prompts for discussion around what people had thought about Langholm hosting each of these ideas.





Candle Making: Results

The Candle making workshop contributed to a larger event that was taking place on the Langholm High Street: The High Street Takeover.

This was very well attended and provided a range of different engagement tasks and workshops for the audience to contribute to.

Within the candle-making workshop more anecdotal evidence was gathered. Discussions surrounding Langholm. A common theme that had surfaced surrounded the lack of events such as the high street takeover that were child-friendly and allowed young parents to attend and provide nearby entertainment for their children.

Another common conversation topic surrounded the idea of a community garden, sparked by one of the candle-making fragrances. With many participants having associations with the chilli-club, gardening and maintaining plants was a hobby that was well received and had clear associations with the town.

Finally, the outdoor retreat was also acknowledged as an idea that would be well received should it be implemented around Langholm.





OutPost Arts: High Street Takeover

As part of the Take Over event, OutPost Arts delivered several 'micro-consultations' across several High Street venues – The (disused) post office, the (disused) newspaper office and the current newspaper office.

Complimentary family friendly activities such as historically accurate dress up, arts and crafts, hole in the wall, face-painting and screen-printing workshops were facilitated alongside the consultation events to appeal to families and to engage children whilst parents/adults took part. Free food and refreshments were available for all attendees courtesy of the Chilli Club – a new, local organisation which aims to promote Langholm as the 'chilli capital of Scotland'.

Employing two emerging local artists (www.sianyeshe.com & www.rorylaycock.com) and a recently established regional creative organisation (For Enjoyment CIC) to co-design and deliver events and activities, OutPost Arts aimed to highlight and

promote our region's expanding creative sector.

The events and consultations were specifically designed to appeal to residents aged 28-40 who are primarily semi-skilled/skilled with young families in order to engage our target demographic.

Whilst the Takeover focused on engaging 28-40 year olds, residents out-with this specific demographic participated in the consultation process. OutPost Arts have included information from respondents 40yo+ for potential inclusion in the larger Community Action Plan via Langholm Alliance.





Photo:
Upstart High Street Takeover, Langholm
Allan Devlin

High Street Consultations

From Langholm, to Langholm:

Consultation led by artist Rory Laycock. Participants were invited to write postcards about life in Langholm, highlighting both positives and negative aspects. Postcard design blended vintage photography with modern graphic presentation techniques, making visual links with both 'Langholm Past' and 'Langholm Future'. Completed cards were displayed during the Take Over, preserved and the information captures were added to the data analysis document.

Instructions to Grow:

Designed by artist Rory Laycock, this consultation activity aimed to pin point the types of investment and actions needed in order for Langholm to thrive via participatory techniques. Featuring a double planter, blank signage and a selection of tools, participants were invited to plant and tend to indoor herbs with an experienced gardener. Participants were asked to consider key actions/investments required to promote Langholm's regeneration and write their 'Instruction to Grow' and plant in the soil bed.

Candle-Making Workshop.

The aforementioned Candle-Making Workshop was available.

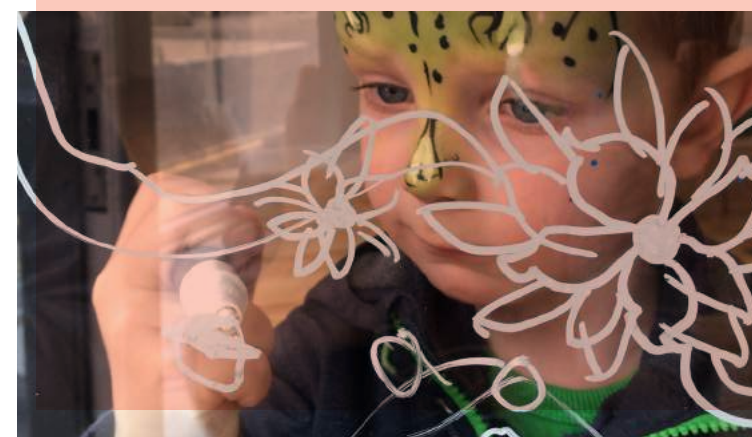
REmapping Langholm:

Led by artist Sian Yeshe, a large-scale, linear aerial map of Langholm was pasted on to a large wall. The abstracted map allowed respondents to move sections of the town, playing with space in an innovative way; allowing thoughts, ideas and opinions to emerge. Participants interacted digitally, projecting on top of a linear map, using colour coded blocks to highlight priority areas/spaces. Areas of importance were highlighted with colour coded sticky dots and participants created written responses to the corresponding area(s).

In Your Opinion: Designed by Sian Yeshe, this interactive media booth (decorated with Upstart branding) verbally prompted and recorded spoken responses across the 7 themes identified in the 2018 SURF Report. The 'virtual interviews' were translated into text for inclusion in the data analysis document.

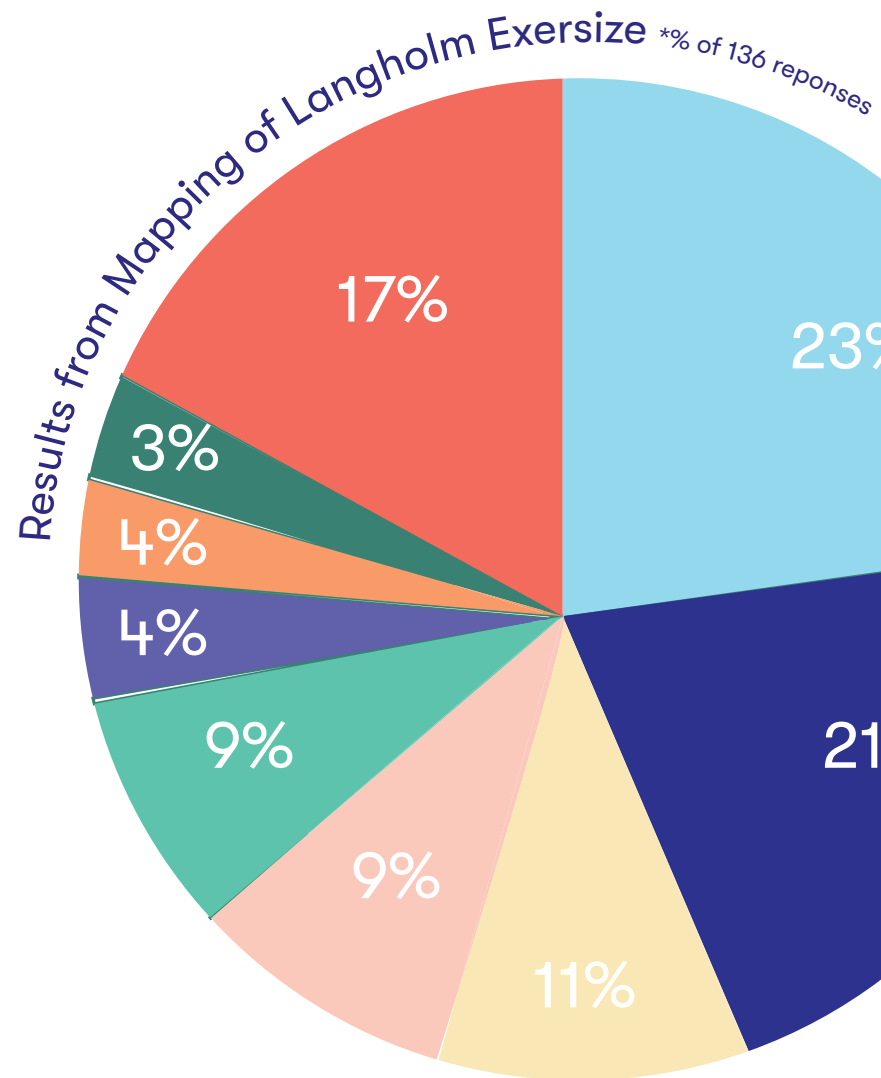
Mapping Langholm: Large-scale, aerial drone images of central Langholm asked participants to highlight specific areas of interest/potential for development by writing on sticky-notes and placing on printed maps.







Takeover: Results

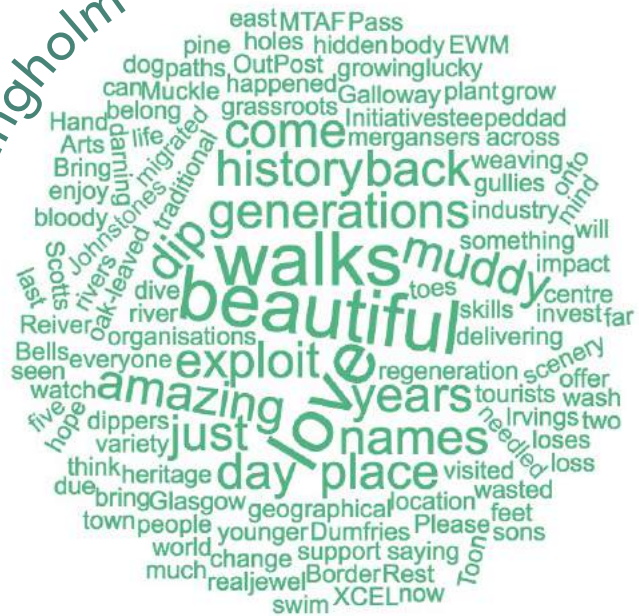


- Outdoor Activity/Climbing Centre
- Improvements and new uses of retail spaces, and food outlets
- More Art & Events
- Recreation facilities for children and young people
- New and improved visitor centres & accommodation
- Further education & adult learning
- Better transport links
- Community gardens
- Other

Remapping Langholm and Mapping Langholm produced 136 open responses. These were categorised by common themes, which focussed on the development of outdoor activity, improvements and new uses of retail spaces, art and events, recreation facilities for children and young people, better accommodation and facilities for visitors, education, transport, and community gardens.

In Your Own Words

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prevents preventing
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Mapping



Instructions to Grow
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What have we learned?

Using a High Street Takeover as a vehicle for engagement proved to be a worthwhile exercise. From the perspective of utilising disused buildings, we felt we were able to cement a closer link between people and place and help people to think actively about how these spaces could be used.

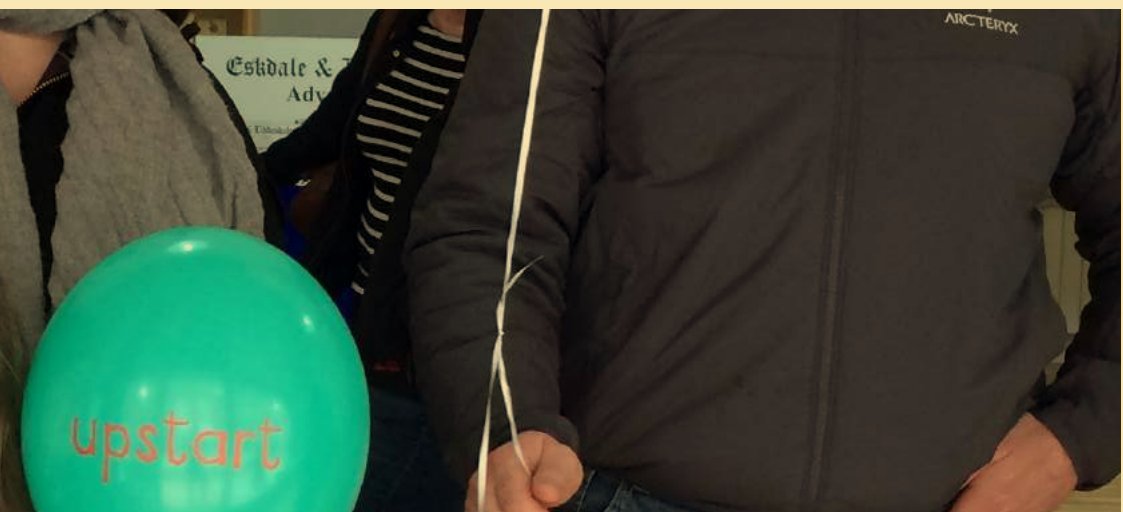
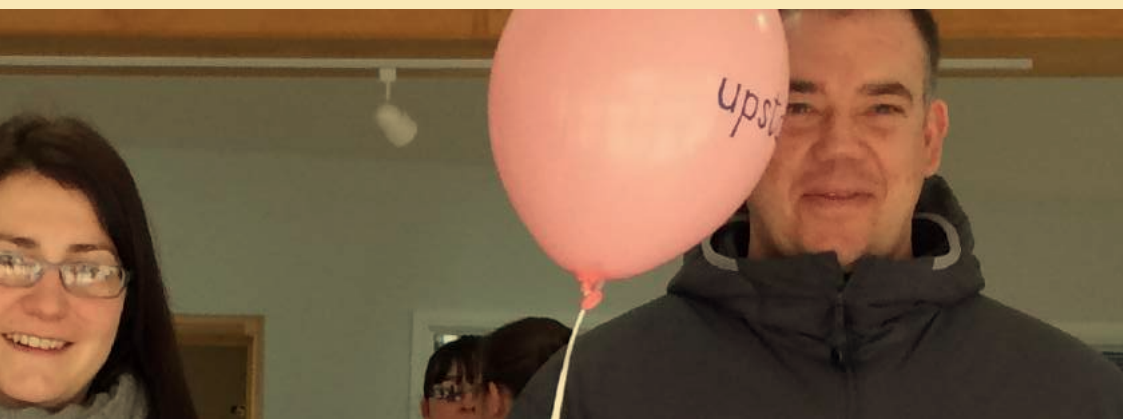
Consultation doesn't need to be complicated. There is value in old style "paper and post-its" approach, but we also felt that creative methods including "Instructions to Grow" and "To Langholm, From Langholm" allowed participants to visually see the change. They also create the potential for visual legacy.

Efficiency in human resources and more intensive facilitation of events could lead to more representative results from a wider range of people. If run again, we would require more tools in place to capture all relevant data.

What were the outcomes?

- Increased engagement from a demographic that is usually under-represented and disengaged in community planning
- Increased understanding of community needs, particularly from a younger and more economically active demographic
- A raised profile for OutPost who are a new organisation within the town
- A developed understanding locally that consultation and engagement can be interactive and all opinions are valued





The Legacy

OutPost Arts believes, and it is supported by the data collected, that this event was a success, both for us as a recently formed organisation and as a community. We think that an annual High Street Takeover that combines entertainment, food and consultation, can lead to improved outcomes in practice for on-the-ground organisations working for local change.

We believe it should be led by OutPost Arts' creative practitioners in partnership with key local organisations including land/property owners, Langholm Initiative, XCEL Project, Muckle Toon Adventure Festival et al. Community engagement can be difficult in Langholm and Eskdale for a number of factors. The main legacy from this project has to be continued and intensive delivery of the plans outlined.

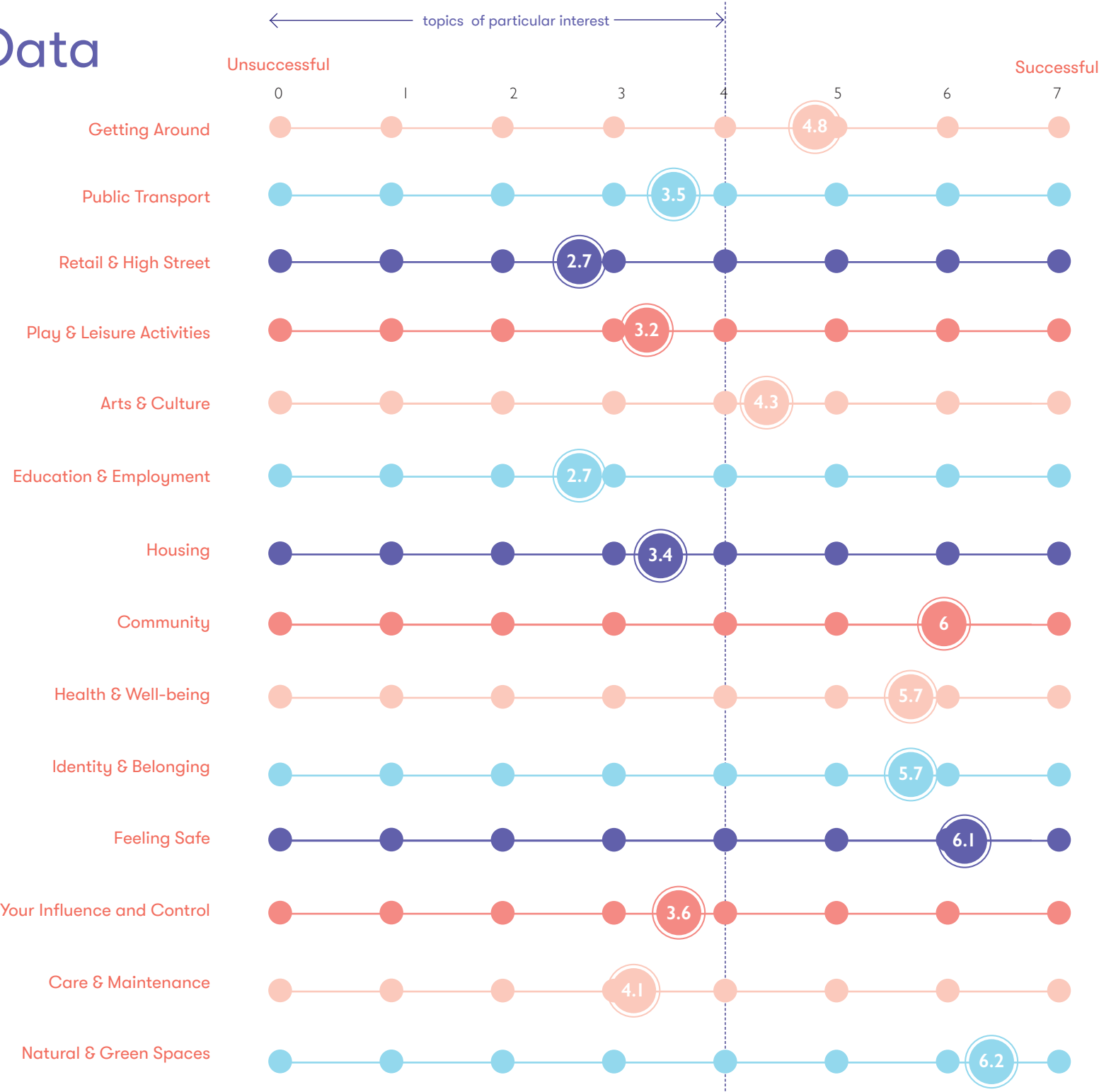
Summarised Data

Questionnaire

The Questionnaire used was based on the National Health Service Scotland’s ‘The Place Standard Tool’ designed to standardise and provide a simple framework for communities to talk about place and community.

More information can be found using the following link:

www.healthscotland.scot/health-inequalities/impact-of-social-and-physical-environments/place/the-place-standard-tool



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The most frequently repeated themes that had been highlighted to create opportunity for Langholm were around tourism – specifically outdoor tourism that make use of the scenery that is pointed out to be one of Langholm’s most revered assets. It is suggested often in these answers that more of an effort needs to be made to attract and support new local business to offer tourists and passers-through.

Make Langholm Better?



The response to this question splits into three main categories. Firstly, creation of new job opportunities which would then keep young people in the town after high school. Secondly, a second call for better amenities to attract tourism thus boosting the local economy and pushing growth. Finally, better facilities and activities for young children and families. These answers included suggestions from improving the play park to introducing a new soft play.

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The three most-occurring answers to this question address the vacant premises, a call for a wider variation in facilities and finally a shift in mentality. Many participants felt that there was negative attitude towards change and new innovation for the town with one of the most frequent answers being 'attitude towards change.'

The overwhelming theme within the answers addresses the 'lack' of activities and 'things to do' in the town explaining a frustration touching on opening times of current facilities during high traffic times. Answers also point to the town not being a place that people would like to spend their time with the paths being too slim and the main through-road as the town centre's high street. Finally, the answers again relate to a lack of opportunity and employment.



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Overwhelmingly the favourite places of respondents were outdoor spaces in and around Langholm with most frequent being Whita Hill and the monument. This was followed by the rugby sports facilities.

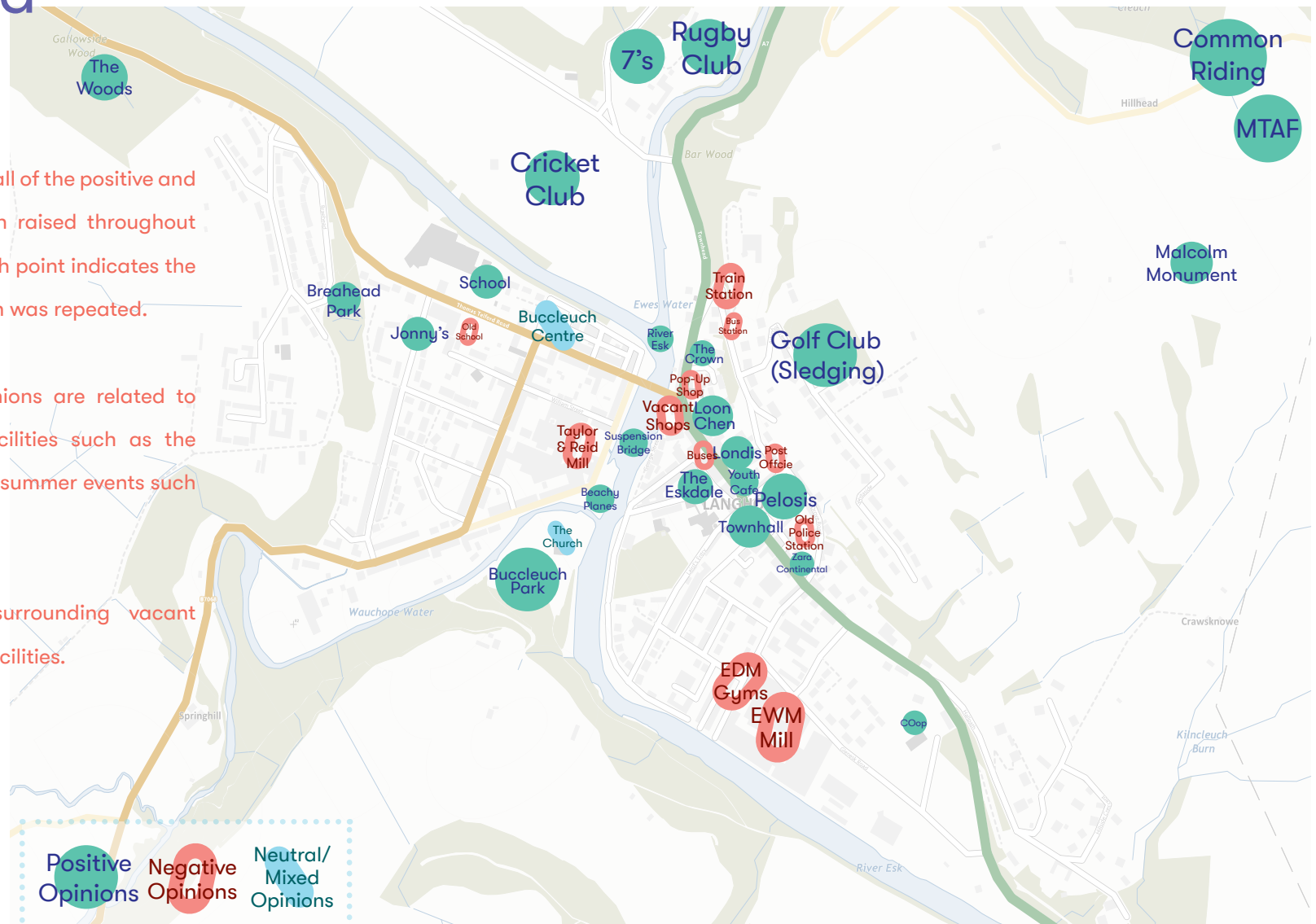
Summarised Data

Workshops

The map to the right summarises all of the positive and negative opinions that had been raised throughout the engagements. The size of each point indicates the number of times the same opinion was repeated.

The most common positive opinions are related to current sporting events and facilities such as the rugby and cricket club as well as summer events such as MTAF and Common Riding.

Negative points were often surrounding vacant buildings and lack of variety in facilities.



Existing Condition

Key Places and Opportunity Sites

1



Langholm Academy

5



The Bridges

2



The Buccleuch Centre

6



The Post Office

3



The Reed and Taylor Mills

7



Langholm Town Hall

4



Langholm Parish Church

8



The Co-op

Challenges

1



The river divides the town. The west side can be particularly quiet.

2



Many businesses are closed at the weekend and evenings.

3



The A7 goes through the town centre, making the street become narrow and difficult for pedestrians at points.

4



The closure of the Edinburgh Woollen Mill and the associated job losses.



Xtra Small Suggested Outcomes

Increasing support for local organisations to
enable diversifying of offers and services

Timeline: Immediate (3-6months)

Possible Partnerships: Local organisations inc. OutPost Arts, Xcel
Project and local school

Suggested Funders: Dumfries & Galloway Council, Creative Scotland

Example of best practice: Glasgow Tool Library - Glasgow, Scotland

The Glasgow Tool Library (GTL) is an inclusive membership based tool sharing service located in the North of Glasgow. Their main responsibility is the re-use, repair and archiving of unused and underused tools in order to create a communal resource of tools which can be shared with the people of Glasgow, providing affordable access to tools that people might otherwise not be able to afford. They also hold talks, workshops and events that explore and educate on the themes of reuse and repair, zero waste, the circular economy, DIY and craft.

GTL challenge the unsustainable relationship between use and ownership, educating people on the benefits of sharing and the circular economy. Encouraging people to learn new skills and knowledge which can either help them to enter education or employment, or give them greater ability and agency to improve the places and spaces that matter to them through that act of DIY and collaborative construction.





Glasgow Tool Library, Glasgow

Encouraging local young people to undertake self initiated learning and skills development to allow them to contribute in supporting the diversification of offers and services across Langholm:

Information gathered across the community engagement programme suggests that Langholm is a town where local people have an energy and enthusiasm to contribute positively to the development of their Town; with many local young people contributing to fundraising for local charities and clubs as well as actively engaging in creative activities to uplift the urban experience of the Town such as murals and community growing. This is not new to the Town with previous generations fighting hard and

campaigning for the creation of a Skate & BMX Park - which unfortunately never came into fruition and is representative of an apparent lack of ownership in the decision making process for local people.

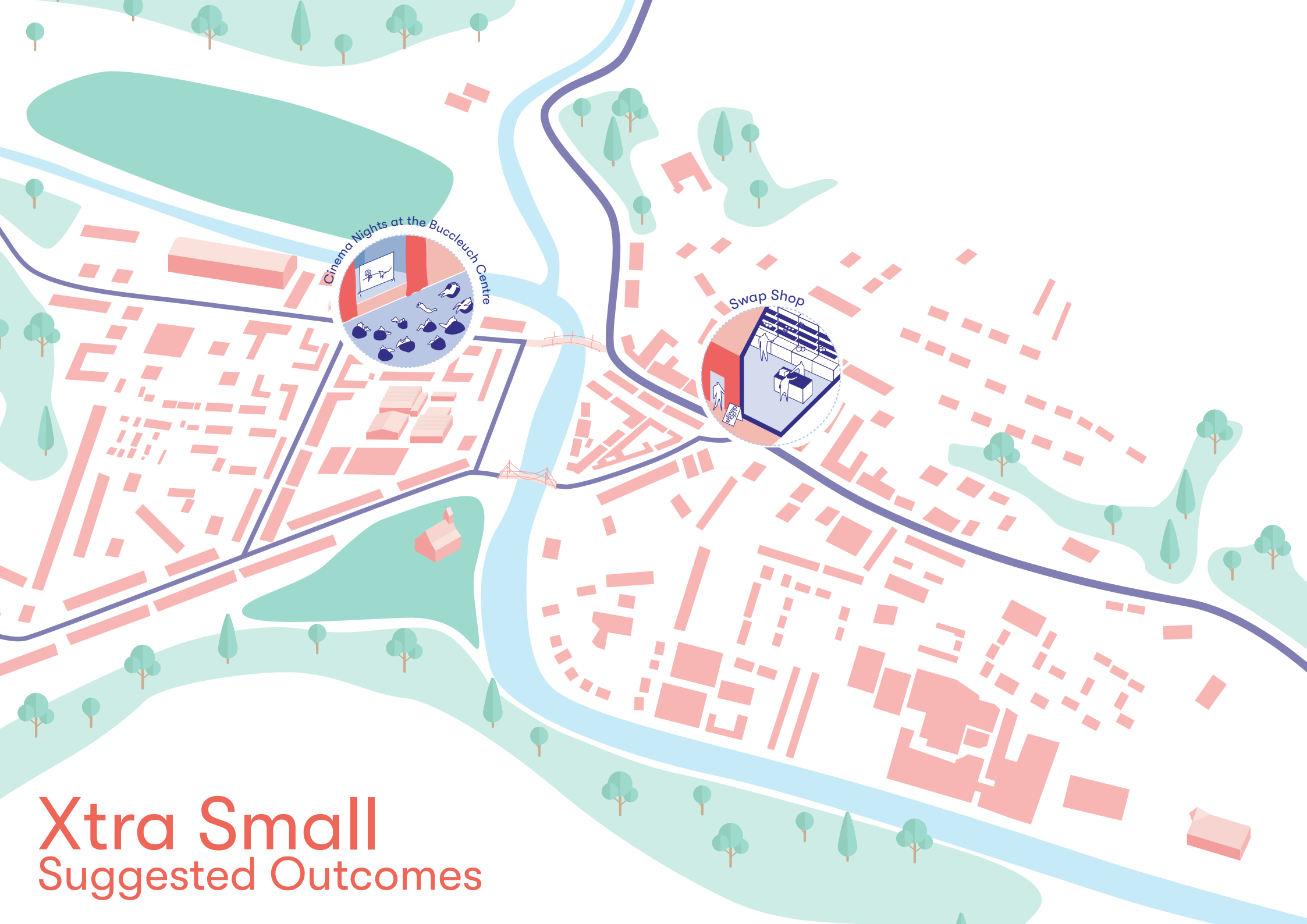
There exists an important opportunity to capitalise on this local desire of young people to better the Town and engage in active citizenship but encouraging, and supporting them through existing structures and organisations, to take leadership in the Town; developing learning and skill sets which will enable them to be active contributors to the Towns social and economic development.

Young people should be supported to be the curators of their own experiences across Langholm; from inviting



NAF Salon, Glasgow

young people to be 'guest programmers' for film screenings and acts playing at The Buccleuch Centre to supporting them to host pop-up Nail Bars and Swap Shops. Actions such as these will offer young people with a different type of experience in the Town and decrease their dependence on leaving Langholm to experience contemporary and 'cool' offers which are often an attractor to more urban settings nearby such as Carlisle. It is critically important to ensure that young people are not engaged tokenistically through 'start to finish' creative projects that, more often than not, have predetermined and expected outcomes and are instead encouraged to self determine the type of activities and outcomes this wish to meaningful participate in.



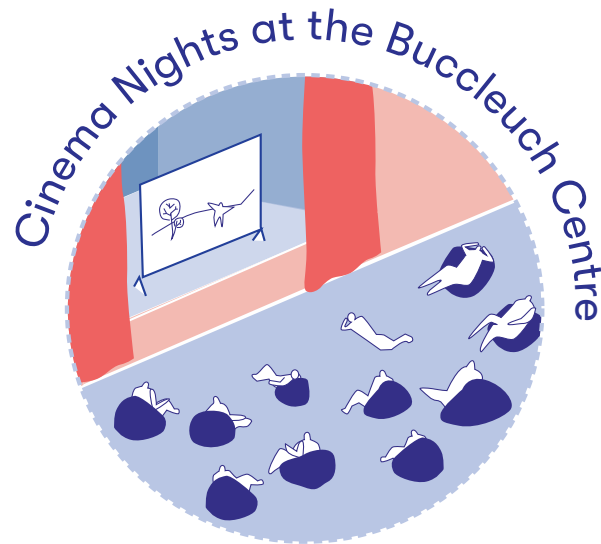
Xtra Small

Suggested Outcomes

Diversifying and increasing outputs by existing local organisations

School Music Facilities Access

The music room in school could be open an evening or during the day at the weekend to allow students access to equipment, furthering interest and skills in music as well as being a space for youth interested in music to meet.



New Movies in the Buccleuch

Buccleuch centre could be used to create a cinema night boasting showings from recently released films.

These suggestions link directly with the following low-rating topics in the conducted survey: Retail & High Street, Play & Leisure Activities, Education & Employment and Your Influence & Control.

Nail Bar Tuesdays

Nail bar Tuesdays could be ran within the current beauty salons. This would be a single desk for a local nail artist or someone training to become a nail artist to charge for nail services/gain experience.

Exercise Class in the Park

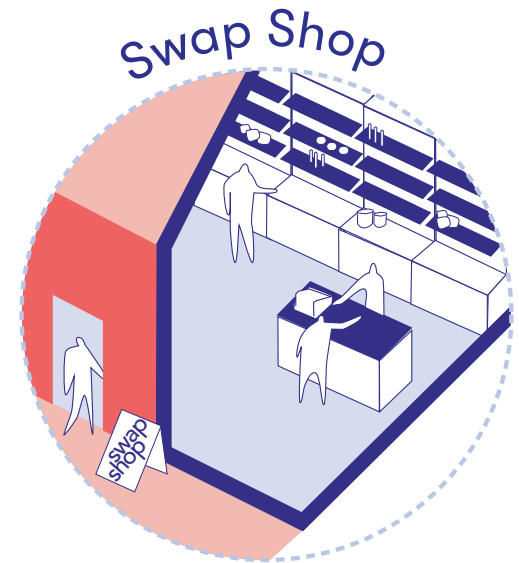
During the evening, an exercise class could be available in the park for those who wish to engage in physical activity after work as a community.

Star Gazing Spot

A small area of Langholm can be protected specifically for star-gazing to make use of the natural dark sky.

Soft Play

A small area could be renovated into a soft play near the high street to allow parents to utilise the high street without having to manoeuvre prams using the thin pavements next to the busy A7 road.



Swap Shop

A central space provides an equipment exchange and lending library for resources such as tools and art equipment.

Small Suggested Outcomes

Year long event based activation of High Street and Townscape

Timeline: Short Term (6-12 months)

Possible Partnerships: Dumfries & Galloway Council, Local organisations inc. OutPost Arts and Xcel Project, Regional Partners inc. The Stove Network

Suggested Funders: Dumfries & Galloway Council, Creative Scotland, Corporate Sponsorship

Example of best practice: The Big Lunch - Nationwide, UK

The Big Lunch began in 2009, it is the UK's largest annual get together for neighbours and has grown ten-fold over the past ten years, each year getting bigger and better.

In 2017, 9.3 million people took to their streets, gardens and neighbourhoods to join in for a few hours of community, friendship and fun at over 90,000 events. The Big Lunch connects people and encourages friendlier, safer neighbourhoods where people start to share more; from conversations and ideas, to skills and resources.

For many, holding a Big Lunch ignites a passion for doing more good things in their community and with the support of the Eden Project - organisers of The Big Lunch - the initiative has supported over 1,000 people to deliver follow up community-led projects that make a positive difference where they live.



Big Lunch, Nationwide



Big Lunch, Nationwide



Kelso Farmers Market, Kelso, Scotland

Building upon the success of recent community development work to create new opportunities for social and economic activation of Langholm:

The High Street Takeover delivered as part of the Upstart project provided an example of the people of Langholm's desire to engage in curated community wide cultural events. The event invited over 180 people to participate in a wide ranging programme of activity from candle making to screen-printing, and in doing so articulated visually across the High Street the enthusiasm and creativity of the community.

The High Street Takeover has created an opportunity

for Langholm to capitalise on this success and continue to support ordinary people to do everyday things that create extraordinary results across the Town. Through small and simple actions and activations across the calendar year, people should be encouraged to transform the place they live and strengthen their communities spirit and collective ownership.

These actions and activations could take many different forms; from outdoor banquets to craft markets, or even pop-up cinemas and mini-music festivals. However, what should remain constant across these community led interventions is a focus on free, family friendly events and celebrations that not only



Tomatin Distillery Christmas Fair, Scottish Highlands

engage a diverse range of local people but connect Langholm to a wider network of creative, cultural and community audiences.

An ambitious range of actions and activations across the High Street that attract new and old audiences will be dependant on creating a safe and pleasant environment on the High Street - there is obvious issues here in terms of the A7 cutting through the main civic and pedestrian route of the town, which will limit an ability to 'Take Over' the High Street going forward. Immediately there is opportunities to utilise other suitable spaces in the Town such as Buccleuch Park to host outdoor events and activity.

Year long activation of High Street and Townscape



Revitalised Market Opportunity

Christmas markets in winter or craft and farmers markets in warmer months. This would utilise and appeal to local artists and crop farmers. Aiding the success of these event could require a calendar that gathered all community events into a single space for residents and potential visitors to view.

Mhor Festival

This festival is hosted on the site of the Monachyle Mhor boutique hotel in Balquhider, Perthshire. Over one weekend in May, the site is enlivened with workshops, live music, theatre and food and drink stalls. Visitors can camp on site. The festival received some financial support from EventScotland's National Funding Programme.



Community Dinner

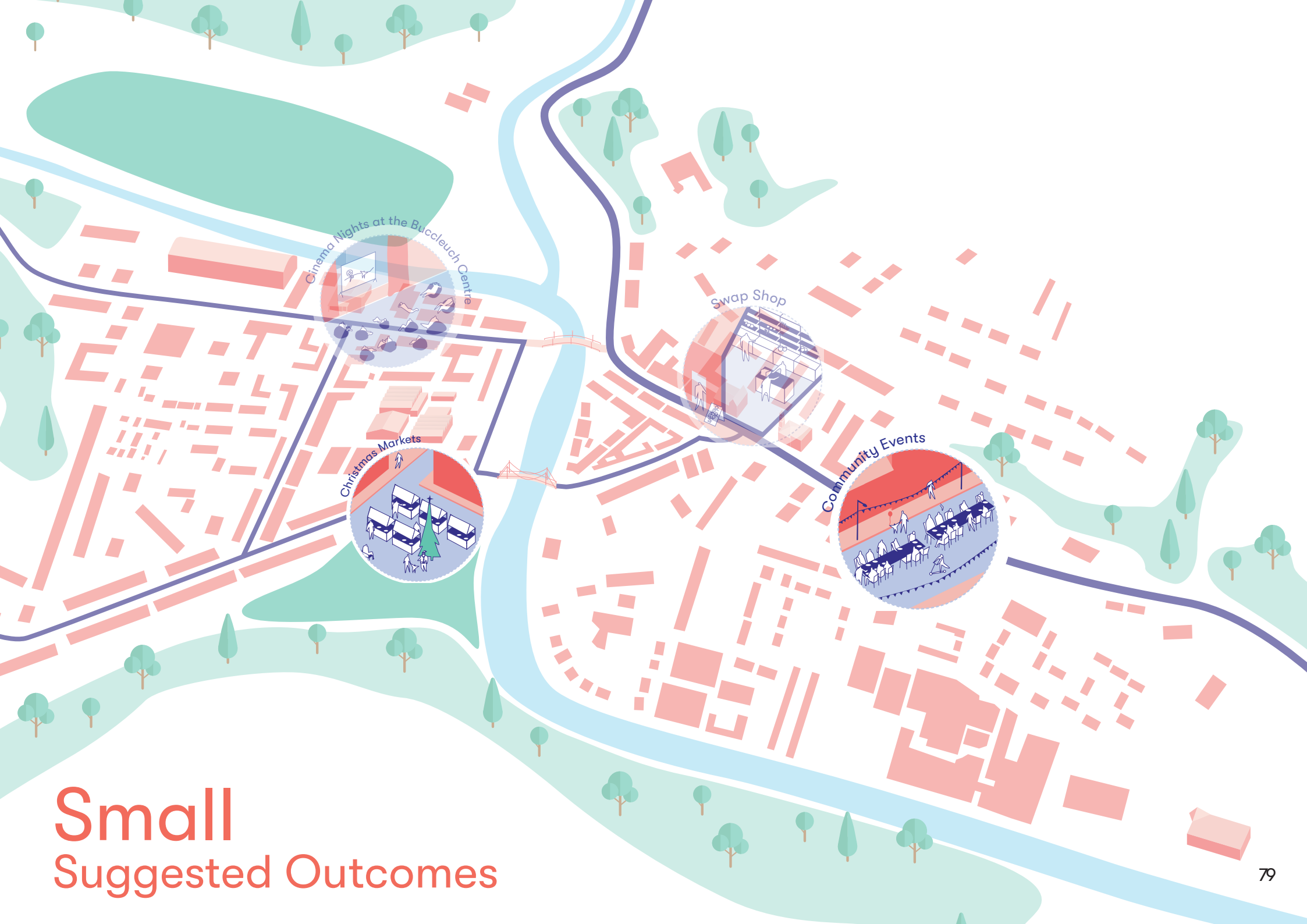
Takeover a street in Langholm for a community al-fresco dinner event.

Community Dining Events

A community dining event could be hosted on the high street. This could be simply for leisure purposes or could integrate an engagement element. An example of the latter in action is the Barras Banchetto (pictured), an outdoor theatrical dining experience which invited participants to enjoy a free lunch and discuss the ongoing regeneration of the Barras in Glasgow.



These suggestions link directly with the following low-rated topics in the conducted survey: Retail & High Street, Play & Leisure Activities and Education & Employment.



Small Suggested Outcomes

Medium Suggested Outcomes

Physical improvements to High Street leading to increasing footfall

Timeline: Long Term (1-3 years)

Possible Partnerships: Dumfries & Galloway Council, Sustrans, Langholm Initiative

Suggested Funders: Dumfries & Galloway Council, Transport for Scotland, Sustrans

Example of best practice: Altrincham Town Centre - Altrincham, UK



Altrincham Town Centre, Altrincham

The consultant team worked together with Trafford Council in the definition and scoping of examining how the High Street and other key spaces should be configured to support the economic vitality and attract inward investment for the district centre, showcasing the towns' character and heritage, while enabling development opportunities.

The commissioning of a Public Realm & Movement Strategy for the town uncovered ways to revitalise the economic ardour of the town, recasting its reputation as an attractive, dynamic and beautiful place. This was part of a wider initiative to broaden out the activities of the town, in the pursuit of a mixed range of uses, including a planning strategy to provide more homes within the town centre.

Providing an ambitious package of highway designs was proposed to decrease traffic congestion and remove traffic signals at three key junctions along the length of Stamford New Road which runs through the heart of the town. This along with other measures such as reduced geometry, the introduction of a central median, new crossings, tree planting and new paving achieved a more civic streetscape with reduced speeds and increased courtesy.

In order to gain approval for the highway designs, including the removal of the traffic signals, a robust case had to be presented to Trafford Borough Council which included an assessment of the local highways network, surveys and modelling of the junctions. Phasing of the works allowed highway proposals to be

tested in a low risk way, demonstrating the value of such an approach before committing.

The improvements to the High Street as part of the project were to contribute to the improved social impact and community benefits envisaged. Altrincham and the immediate area do not experience significant social and economic problems such as high levels of unemployment or poverty. However, the High Street and Town Centre has experienced a decline in use and external investment, leading to the need for local authority intervention through the public realm improvements and highway designs to improve civic, shopping, working and leisure experiences.



Altrincham Town Centre, Altrincham



Altrincham Town Centre, Altrincham

Improving the civic experience of the High Street to increasing footfall across the Town:

Collating the input gathered across the engagement programme has provided strong evidence that the lack of a busy and bustling High Street is of detriment to Langholm. The High Street forms the main civic experience of the Town and is crucial in terms of anchoring tourism, creating incentives for population retention as well as creating internal & external investment opportunities.

Improving the civic experience of the Town will be a challenging task if the pedestrian experience of the

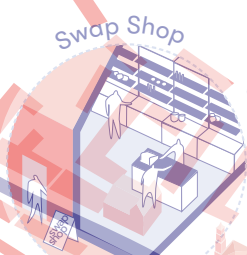
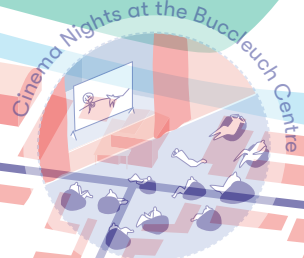
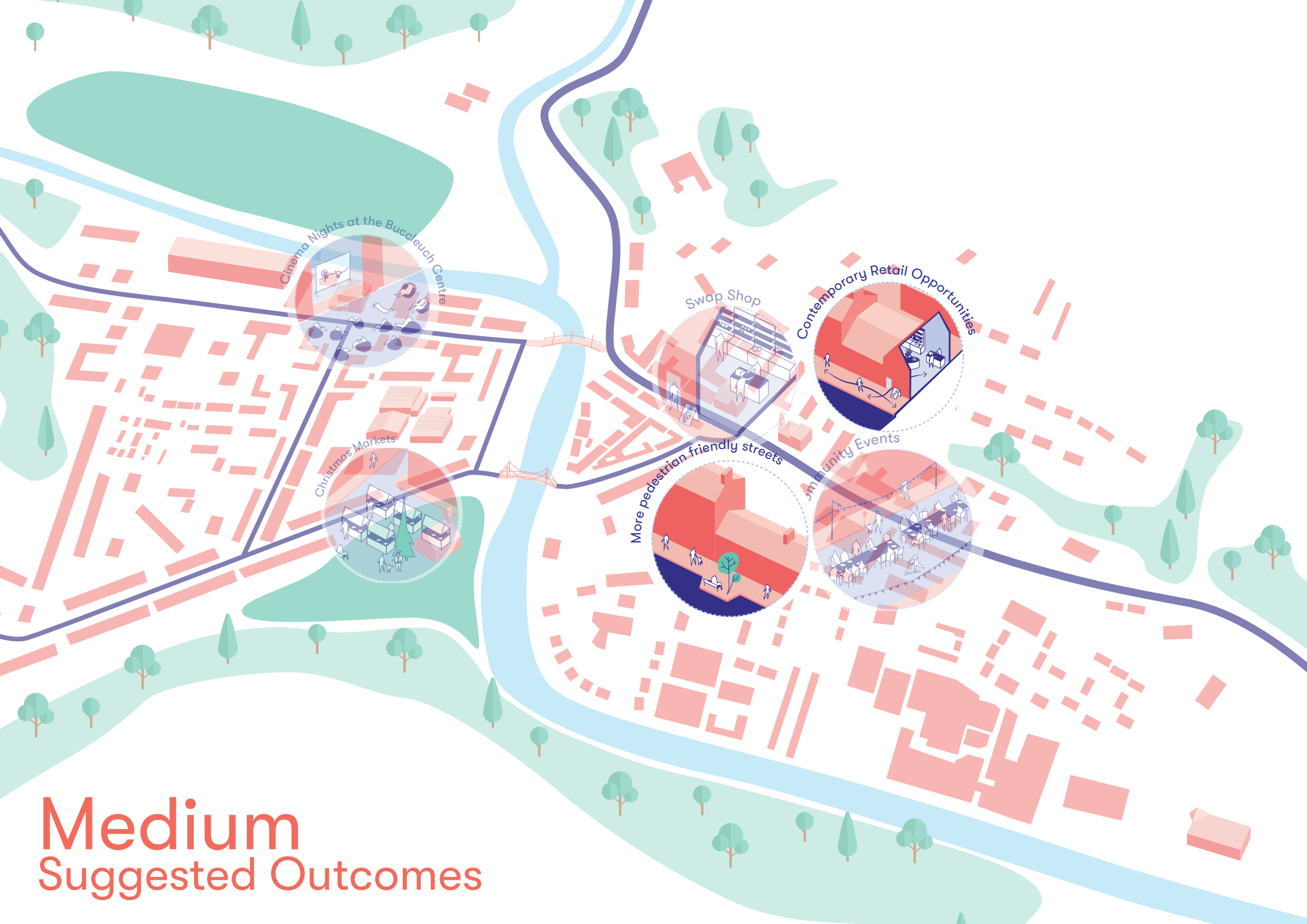
High Street, including perceptions of safety, is not addressed.

The A7 dissects through the heart of Langholm and this a problem.

This anecdotally was the subject of conversations across the consultation programme. The current context allows for no possibility of improving the condition of retail and other civic experiences across the High Street. Research shows that bringing the condition of retail out into and onto the High Street - tables and chairs, kiosks, marquees etc - encourages a slow footfall and produces a wide range of other

social and economic benefits. We strongly believe that exploring the design of the High Street as more than an accessory to major and very busy A-road with articulated lorries using it at fast pace is of critical importance to the overall future development of the Town.

A Public Realm and Movement Strategy for the Town should be undertaken to expertly examine these conditions and work towards scales of solutions to address this issue which undermines the effective delivery of many important future plans for Langholm.



Medium
Suggested Outcomes

Improvements to High Street, increasing footfall

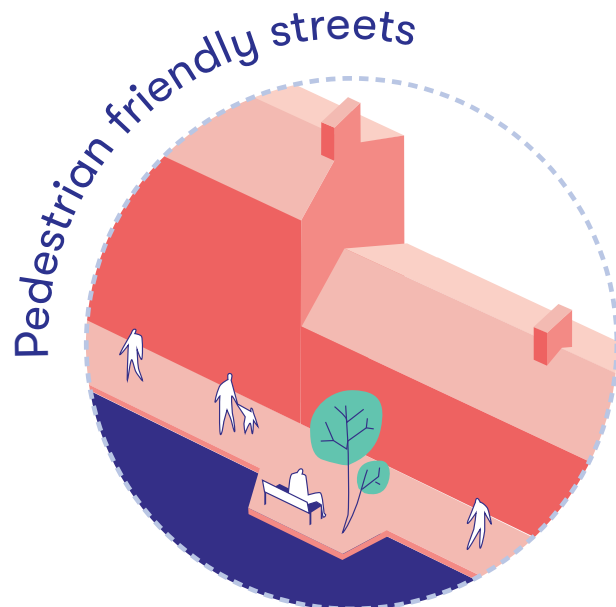


Retail

Bring new and diverse retail uses to existing spaces such as the Post Office. This could be done in a temporary 'pop-up' way, serving both residents and visitors.

Creative and Contemporary Retail Space

Empty properties in Langholm could host temporary new retail space, diversifying the traditional existing offer. It could sell the work of local and national designers (such as the Welcome Home shop in Glasgow, pictured far left).



Reducing Traffic

Improve the public realm for pedestrians, prioritising resolving challenges presented by the A7 route through the heart of the town.

These suggestions link directly with the following low-rating topics rating in the conducted survey: Retail & High Street, Play & Leisure Activities, Education & Employment and Care & Maintenance.

Large Suggested Outcomes

Long term capital focused redevelopment of existing buildings bringing leisure, work and tourism opportunities

Timeline: Long Term (1-3 years)

Possible Partnerships: Dumfries & Galloway Council, Private Organisations, Local Charity

Suggested Funders: Dumfries & Galloway Council, Scottish Government, Regeneration Capital Grant Fund (RCGF), BIG Lottery

Example of best practice: Cove Park - Alexandria, UK

Cove Park is a bespoke and award-winning creative and cultural hub providing space for residents and visitors to live, meet and work in, located on an outstanding site overlooking Loch Long and the Firth of Clyde, just one hour from Glasgow, on Scotland's west coast.

The Hub provides a unique programme of residencies, commissions and collaborative projects that respond to and support the diversity of contemporary artistic practice in all the art forms. They host national and international artists from all cultures and career stages and they create a supportive and stimulating context in which new work and ideas can be developed, tested and shared.

In addition, the Hub engages the local community and wider external audiences by offering workshops, talks, screenings and events for children, young people, families, community groups and schools delivered as part of an outreach programme. Workshops are developed and led by local and visiting artists, providing unique experiences for those taking part and a means through which Cove Park can continue to work with and support our artists.



Cove Park, Alexandria



Cove Park, Alexandria



Developing a sustainable and robust business model for a diverse and multipurpose hub in Langholm to anchor leisure, work and tourism:

Across the community engagement programme there was a wide range of new and or improved facilities and offers that local people wanted to see in Langholm, including;

- Community Gardens
- Heritage Centre
- Enterprise & Creative Workspace
- Fitness, Leisure & Outdoor Centre
- Contemporary Food & Beverage (F&B)
- Contemporary Retail
- Youth Focused Facility
- Event spaces

The range outlined above is expansive - which is typical with regards to consultation outcomes in projects directly designing a Community Action Plan with local people. However, of particular importance is to consider the suitability - and likelihood - of the above range for the delivery in a Town of a scale such as Langholm, particularly as communities across Scotland face increased cuts to national and local government funding to support community services, facilities and amenities.

At New Practice, we are keenly aware of the failings of Community Action Plans that generate a 'wish list' of 'things that would be nice to have' that do not consider the economic viability from the perspective of limited local audience, existing customer profiles, robust financial models and available public and private

sector funding. The experience of New Practice in working across community development, development programmes and transformational regeneration projects over the past eight years leads our team to understand that a different approach is required for Langholm; as a Town struggling with population retention and attraction and challenged to compete regionally for a decreasing resource of funding and support.

With the above in mind, we recommend that a suitable approach is to consolidate the desired wide range of new and or improved facilities and offers communicated by participants across the community engagement programme into a Hub model that repurposes an iconic building of significant heritage in Langholm which will provide an attractive route for



Reid & Taylor Mill , Langholm- Existing Condition

local and national funders to invest directly into the creative, cultural and community development of the Town before the next Scottish Parliament elections in May 2021.

To illustrate this recommendation we have proposed an extensive capital development refurbishment and re-purposing of the Reid & Taylor Mills site found to the west of the River Esk.

The existing building typology can lend itself to a programme of use that could be diverse and multi functional, as well as providing outdoor spaces, linkages to the surrounding natural landscape and

better connect the community to the west of the River Esk with the High Street in the East of the Town.

The Reid & Taylor Mills could become home to a variety of uses that would benefit local audiences as well as attracting new people to the Town and growing the customer base for tourism, in turn increasingly the likelihood of a positive future for the High Street and local businesses who's success will be dependant on sustained and improved footfall and new spending cultures.

- Community garden & allotments to support increased awareness of health & well being

- Heritage space in the form of a permanent exhibition and associated meeting room facility

- Appropriate scaled high quality workspaces fit for a wide range of enterprises

- Centrally located office and selling space for a wide range of 'eco-tourism' and local outdoor activities including a kiosk for nearby facilities such as a 'Glamping' site.

- Suitably scaled fitness studio anchored by weight room and fitness classes

- 'Best of Dumfries & Galloway' cafe as the only F&B provider and anchor tenant for the site

- Suitably scaled 'Made in Scotland' shop showcasing curated wares in design environment



Stubbs, Manchester - Refurbished mill.

- A space designed and curated by Young People for Young People with the ability to host various activities and events such as fashion shows, open-mic nights or simply screen film and sports matches.

- One suitably scaled high quality multi-purpose space which can be used to host everything from conferences, art exhibitions and even weddings; generating income for the Hub.

In addition, the Hub could also provide Air BnB style accommodation and or artist residency facilities - similar to Cove Park in Alexandria - to provide income generation as well as bring new audiences into the Town across the year providing a further customer

base for businesses across the Town.

Importantly, the genesis of such a major project for the Town would need to begin in the establishment of a community led group or organisation, most likely a SCIO, which could lead a campaign to purchase the site for the Town that would in turn lead to opportunities to capture significant capital development funding from BIG Lottery and The Scottish Government (RCGF). Community ownership of the site and the project would remedy some of the local issues around land and property ownership in Langholm which is limited to a small group of individuals.





Sutor Coops, Cromarty's South Sutor



Throughout engagement activities a conversation was often raised around Langholm hosting a variety of upmarket camping offerings, less formally known as ‘glamping’.

We believe this would be an excellent way to capitalise on Langholm’s beautiful natural surroundings and attract visitors all year round as well as providing a new source of income for local residents of Langholm.

These accommodations often come in the form of small to medium sized wooden lodges or Yurts. However, many glamping sites will take inspiration from their surroundings and create a unique experience for visitors.

For example, “The Wee Nip” Whiskey Barrels located

in the Scottish Highlands are within ten miles from the Glenmorangie and Dalmore and Whyte & MacKay whiskey distilleries. Although small inside each boasts sleeping space for two, an en-suite, a fire pit and a flat screen TV.

Many glamping accommodations are as low maintenance, self-sustaining and eco-friendly as possible. With many powered from renewable energy sources, use visitor waste as compost for plants or food for animals and use locally sourced materials for construction - each lodge will have a minimal carbon footprint.

Providing a unique experience will draw in visitors from further afield that are searching for a more individual experience that will be able to reinforce Langholm’s

unique offerings and proximity to beautiful natural landscapes.

A variety of accommodations could be available to interest a range of interested visitors.

Similarly to our recommendation of the development for the Reid & Taylor Mills, we suggest glamping sites should be delivered and managed by organisations or people local to Langholm to ensure harmony with the towns local development and community agenda. Equally, the people of Langholm are best placed to promote all that Langholm has to offer to outsiders.

Start up investment could be likely sourced from Dumfries and Galloway Council, Scottish Government, Scottish Tourism Alliance and Visit Scotland.



Stuc a'Chroin, Trossachs Yurts, Scotland



Glamping Domes, Loch Tay



"The Wee Nip" – Whisky Barrels, Scottish Highlands



Brockloch Treehouse, Dumfries and Galloway

Long term and redevelopment bringing leisure and work opportunities



Refurbishment of Reid and Taylor Mills.

This could host uses such as artist residency space, exhibition space, production space, retail, a coffee shop and event space. This could bring more focus and connection to the area west of the river.

Cove Park Artists' Residency Centre

Cove Park is a residency centre located on a rural site in Argyll and Bute, hosting national and international artists. It also runs a community engagement programme and public events. Around half of the charity's funding comes from Creative Scotland; the rest is generated from trusts, foundations and collaborative projects.



Use of Natural Landscape

Increase visitors passing through and visiting the town, through provision of outdoor leisure pursuits.

These suggestions link directly with the following low-rated topics in the conducted survey: Retail & High Street, Play & Leisure Activities and Education & Employment.



Large Suggested Outcomes

Xtra Large Suggested Outcomes

Provision of varied housing typologies to support population retention and inward investment

Timeline: Long Term (3-5 years)

Possible Partnerships: Dumfries & Galloway Council, Private Housing Developer

Suggested Funders: Dumfries & Galloway Council, Private Housing Developer, Scottish Government

Example of best practice:

‘More Homes Scotland’: The Scottish Government – across Scotland

In 2016, the Scottish Government launched the More Homes Scotland approach. It involves investing more public and private money in housing, getting land ready for housing and making sure local and national government plan for new housing effectively through strategic planning and community engagement across the process.

The Queen Street development by Dumfries & Galloway Housing Partnership (DGHP) is a regional example of the More Homes policy in action that is transferable in scale and success to Langholm. The development, which is of Gold Standard in terms of sustainability and energy efficiency, was part funded by Scottish Government and Dumfries and Galloway Council through grants such as ‘More Homes’.

The affordable development is made up of town-



Queen Street Development, Dumfries

houses in the heart of Dumfries town centre, designed to attract first-time buyers to select Dumfries as their place of residence and is part of a wider Strategic Housing Investment Plan to encourage people to return to Town Centre living in Dumfries.

“I am in no doubt that we need more affordable housing throughout Dumfries and Galloway and I’m particularly pleased to see a development of this size in our town centre. I look forward to even more affordable, quality homes becoming available throughout the region.”

John Martin, Vice Chair of Dumfries & Galloway Council’s ‘Communities Committee’



Existing Housing, Langholm



Improving the civic experience of the High Street to increasing footfall across the Town:

Kevin Stewart, the Scottish Government's Housing Minister, has in 2019 repeatedly highlighted the importance of delivering the right type of new homes, in the right places, for both individuals and communities to improve the socio-economic conditions and well-being of communities. This importance has been met with a pledge of increased government funding through the 'More Homes' policy to deliver high quality, affordable new homes across Scotland.

It is supposed by New Practice that Langholm, like many other rural communities in Scotland, is a Town that would benefit from the considered and successful

delivery of new and varied housing typologies as part of a wider strategy to encourage population retention and attract inward investment.

Langholm is a small Town (with a population of 2, 311 recorded in Scottish Government Census in 2001) with big ambitions. A considerable number of the young people engaged through the project did not actually reside in Langholm but studied full time in the Town (secondary school) or visited the Town on the weekends or to participate in youth groups and clubs (OutPost Arts and Xcel Project). Anecdotally across the engagement programme we learned that there is a lack of housing available in the town and the outcomes of the online survey reflect this with peoples

perceptions of quality housing provision in Langholm scoring 3.4 out of 7. It was remarked on more than one occasion that Langholm "is a bad place for first-time buyers and families because the houses are either mansions or need lots of work done to them."

The lack of available housing in and around the Town - with this in turn contributing to a stagnant population - is likely a contributing factor to many of the other issues that the community has highlighted across the engagement programme;

- Public Transport and Getting Around (3.5 out of 7, online survey)
- Retail and High Street (2.7 out of 7, online survey)

The proposed building of new family housing on the



Pocket-Park, Manchester



Pocket-Park, Bethnal Green

land south of the River Esk (currently planned by a private housing developer) should be viewed as opportunity to densify Langholm and - if delivered to a high quality of standard and developed in full consultation with the local community - increase the audience and widen customer profiles for activities, experience and opportunities across the Town.

Importantly, any new housing development in Langholm should be done so with the express intent to become an integrated and contributing part of the Town; improving the existing local network of green-space, amenities and transport infrastructure.

At the time of writing this Community Action Plan, the Scottish Government announced £30 million in support to build more homes for rent across Scotland over the next two years that will help local authorities such as Dumfries & Galloway Council.

The investment will mean local authorities will share a total of £1.3 billion between now and 2021 to help achieve the Scottish Government's ambitious aim to deliver 50,000 affordable homes, with 35,000 available for social rent, by that date.



Fulmodeston and Barney affordable housing, Norfolk



Collective Architecture Sighthill Regeneration, Glasgow



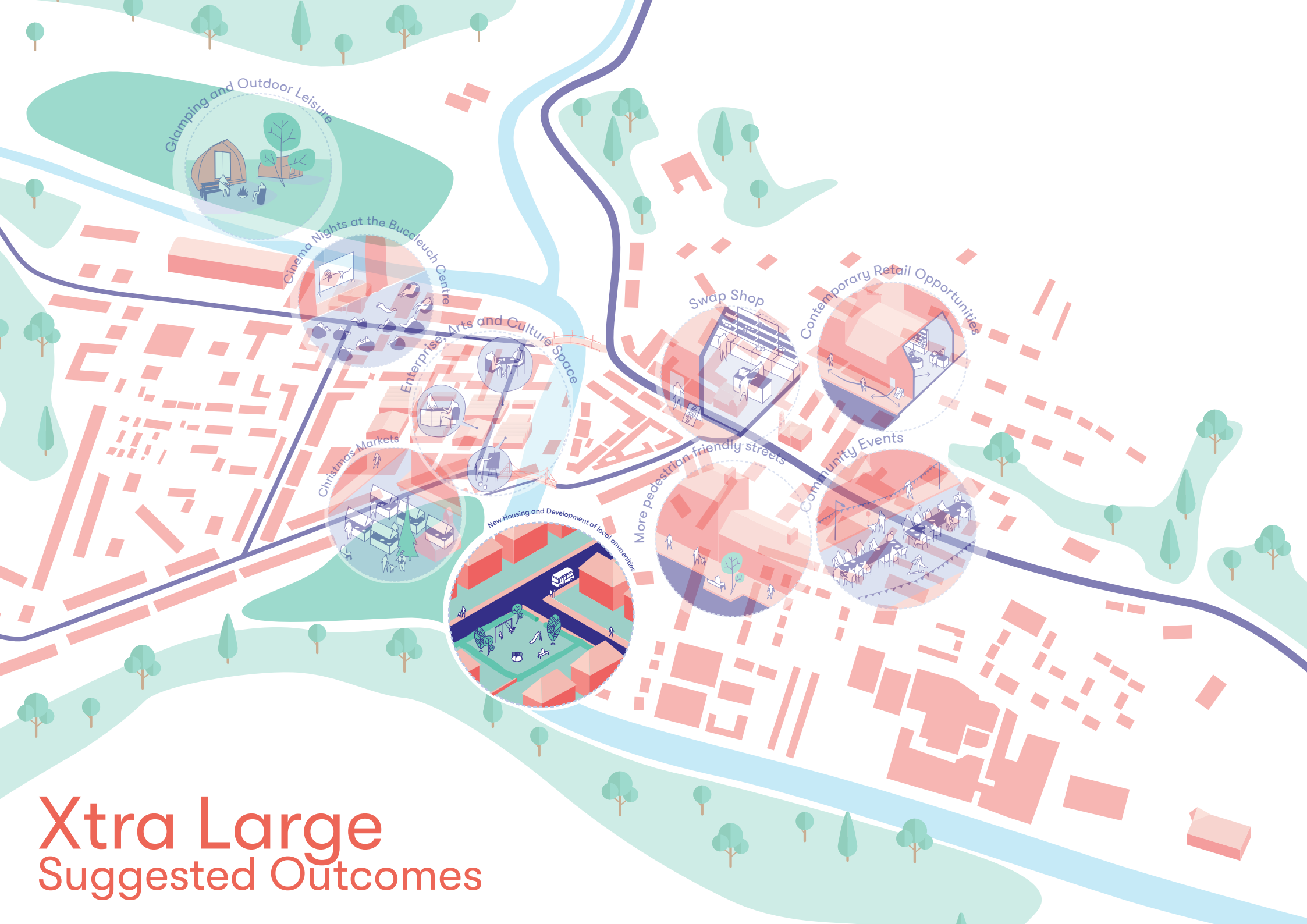
Collective Architecture Sighthill Regeneration, Glasgow



Peter Barber, housing for residents 60+y/o, Peckham



Peter Barber housing , London



Xtra Large

Suggested Outcomes

New Housing

Provision of new housing, bringing population growth and general increased use of local amenities



Dumfries and Galloway Housing Partnership
Townhouses for the centre of Dumfries;
A suggested appropriate typology of
development for Langholm.

These suggestions link directly with the following low-rated topics in the conducted survey: Retail & High Street, Play & Leisure Activities and Your Influence & Control, Care and Maintenance and Housing.

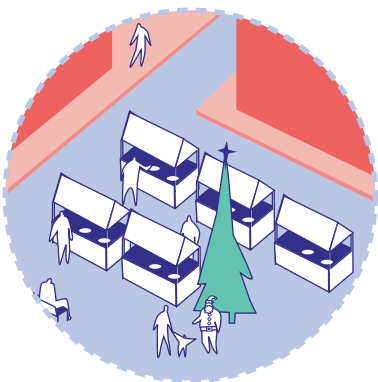
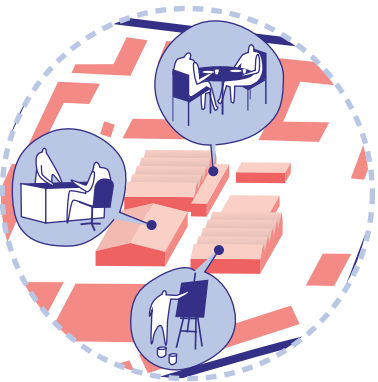
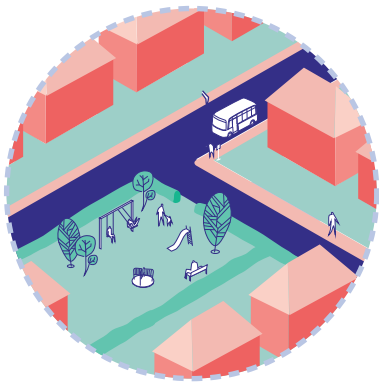


Journey Around Langholm

1. The visitors first head to the redevelopment Reed and Taylor Mills space to pick up keys for their glamping cabin, and to find out information about what's going on in the area. While here, they take a look around the gallery and shop.

2. After having been told about a farmer's market going on, they head into town to pick up some food for the weekend.

Visitor



Resident

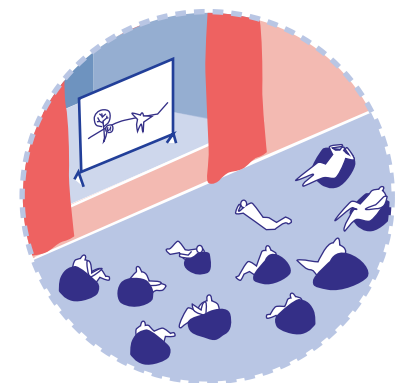
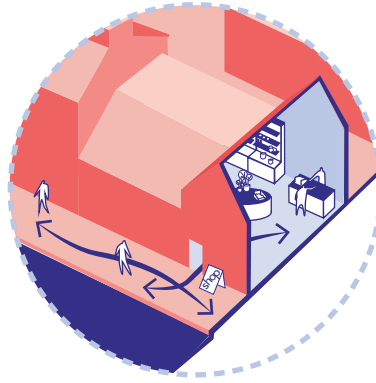
1. The residents wakes up in their house in the new residential area

2. They head into town to meet a friend for a coffee at the Enterprise, Arts and Culture Space.

3. At lunch time, they pick up something at the market...

3. While in town, they visit the local shops

4. Finally, they head to their glamping spot for the night



4. ...then take a seat on a sunny bench to eat

5. While in town they go to take a look at the new pop-up shop in the old post office

6. Its then time to do the early evening shift at the glamping site where they work

7. Before heading home, they make it just in time to catch the film showing at the Bucchleuch Centre

Call to Action



1. Continued Engagement to develop on themes of Upstart outcomes.

A key action to further the project is to continue developing from themes that have been lifted from the Community Action Plan. This should be done by continuing engagement with the targeted age group of under forty and readdressing specific themes to ensure a full understanding of opinions as Langholm evolves whilst keeping the audience engaged and updated with the development of the town.

* This suggestion is a direct result of reoccurring data around the theme of 'Youth Influence and Community Control'

2. Adopt Upstart Branding

Through adopting the Upstart branding, the graphic language may be continued throughout future engagements hosted by anyone who wishes to continue Upstart-style engagement or events. This creates a more fluid engagement process for participants who may be called to interact with the project several times over a longer period of time further strengthening the long-term process.

* This suggestion is a direct result of reoccurring data around the theme of 'Community Control.'

3. Widen Upstart steering group to include younger members.

To ensure the Upstart project remains relevant to those within the targeted age group, it is essential that those within the audience are involved in the steering of the project.

* This suggestion is a direct result of reoccurring data around the theme of 'Youth Influence and Community Control'

4. Action extra small to small recommendations / Host annual High Street Takeover

To drive momentum of future long-term projects, smaller recommendations should be actioned. This will allow those who participated within the Upstart project to see a more immediate effect of contributing to the project and will therefore drive further trust in the execution in larger and more ambitious recommendations.

* This suggestion is a direct result of reoccurring data results around the theme of 'Retail and High-street, Youth and Community Control and Education and Employment'



5. Explore medium to extra large recommendations with key partners.

Key partners must be consulted to facilitate further exploration into the feasibility of medium to extra large recommendations.

* This suggestion is a direct result of reoccurring data results around the theme of 'Retail and High-street, Youth and Community Control and Education and Employment'



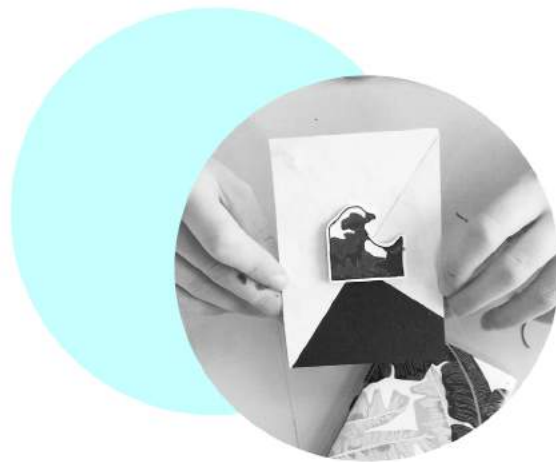
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New Practice is a new architecture practice

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We exist to develop the creative capacity of cities
and to connect people with the decision making
processes that underpin the urban experience.





About OutPost Arts

Established in early 2018, OutPost Arts' core aims, values and objectives were developed by its founder and board of trustees - focusing on using creativity and artistic expression to positively impact on Education & Learning, Health & Wellbeing and Citizenship & Regeneration on both local and regional levels. A registered charity, OutPost Arts is passionate about the advancement of our community's development and feel extremely privileged to contribute to the Upstart Project by designing and delivering the large-scale High Street Takeover event, allowing us as a local organisation and as individuals to directly connect with residents aged 40 and under who feel passionate about Langholm's future prospects and its rich potential.

www.outpostarts.co.uk



Appendix

Girls School Workshop

Image Page	Description
Langholm Pop Up Shop	It doesn't look appealing, if it is done up it will look okay. Wouldn't go to it. It looks boring. Nothing really happens here. Nothing happens here, its boring to look at, it looks run down, old and dusty. not very colourful at all. Never know when its open. Not interested in the stuff they sell.
Old Mill Buildings (Reid & Taylors Mills)	It looks old and I don't like the atmosphere in the picture, because it looks boring and nothing happens there. There is some opportunity to bring something to the town, just being wasted
`Suspension Bridge	We use this to walk across, it is a suspension bridge you can see the river ask from it. I walk across the bridge most days. It looks nice at night because there is lights in it. Very bouncy. Could make it look nicer.
Loon Chen	We love loon chen. Employment for teenagers.
Wee Workshop	Dont know what this is. Part of Cut the Mustard?
The Crown/Highstreet	Crown-good chips, good to go for lunch/dinner, not far away. We use the pagrmacy to get help. Pelosis is tasty. The town hall is used for the town band to practice. Good place to get chips. Could look more attractive. Could get a greggs or something similar.
The Buccleuch Centre	Its like a cinema, the building looks old but if its done up it will look appealing. Its good because you can watch films and there is food and drinks on offer. Other/extra events happen. Pantos happen here and pipe band concerts. We sometimes watch films that are on. Its nice and modern inside. Nice foods. Get to watch films with the school. You can get luncheon there.
Buccleuch Park	People walk there dogs. Play park for young children. Can have a picnic if its sunny.

Girls, Things they like about Langholm

Post It Quotes	Number of Repetitions
I like the walks because of the scenery	
The church	
The Crown, - I like this because the food is really nice	
Loon Chen have nice Chips	
the Lodge	
Hall Park	
7's	2
Londis is the best because they sell chocolate and red fanta	
I like the coop because it sells food.	
The Common Riding (The Kilgreen, thats where the fair is during common riding)	5
Buccleuch Park (I like the park because you can go and party)	3
I like the road to my house	
I like the bus (The x95)	2
Pelosis is tasty. Ice cream is lush.	2
It is a friendly environment	
I like the high street because they have amazing chips	
youth cafe	2
Walking to the monument	
The Buccleuch centre to watch films	2
I like the Golf Course Because you can go sledging	

Girls Categories and funding. (3 Groups, £300,000)

Category	Top Three	Bottom Three	Funding
Community	Co-Op, The youth Cafe is good for young people	No Shop at Homewood, Get a Lidl or Aldi, get rid of the Co-op, Lack of community engagement	20k (shops for homewood) 30k (Get a lidl or aldi) 10k (to pay for more clubs for children and adults) 60k
Culture	Common Riding, (2x) Good Chips from Loon Chen and the Crown (*For Entertainment?)		10k (To keep common riding going) 10k
Movement	The 95 bus is good for getting to Carlisle	Bring the Train Station back to get places quicker. (2x)	50k (bring back trainstation), 30k (build more transport) 80k
Education		The school isn't very modern, small school that needs better (more variety?) levels (qualifications)	20k, (modernise the school) 20k (make sure they get the best education) 40k
Housing			5k (upgrade housing)
Sustainability			10k (to prevent oil and save animals and attract tourists.)
Entertainment	The Buccleuch Centre is really nice and modern with good films (2x)	No Swimming Pool Fairs should come more often	40k, 10k (to get fairs to come to Langholm more often and different) 50k
Employment		There aren't many jobs for people (2x)	40k, (bring more jobs) 5k (buy people equipment for jobs and bring in more opportunities) 45k

Question	Answers	Extra Suggestions
What is important to Langholm's Success?	More jobs- bring shops and outdoor activities to Langholm. A big shop (eg.Aldi) would help with employing people, modernise town andante keep town interesting for people, common riding, pupils getting a good job from good grades, sustainability	Better Bike Shop, Lodges, Pods, Tough Mudder Challenge, John Muir Project in or out of school, 25 metre pool, swim club, zumba, jaccuzi, cafe, soft play, cafe, Develop the (Borderevers)
What can you do as project Planners?	Petitions, evidence that the town wants to change, we can talk to organisations and the council for expanding their business into the town. More facilities outside in/ around Langholm, Donate money to the school so students can have a good education, supply/ pay for solar panels,	more bins, more wind turbines, lightning protection for the school.
What can you do as students?	Help operate some of the stuff we want to happen, spread the word through parents and friends, support businesses, work at local businesses. Make posters to keep people aware, studying and working hard, posters protest, cut back on electricity	

Boys School Workshop

Image Page	Description
Langholm Pop Up Shop	Dull, Boring, Never Open, Never been in, looks bad, grotty, unpopular, Different shops every month or so on the high street. Pretty bad, not needed.
Old Mill Buildings (Reid & Taylors Mills)	Never been, scary looking, looks like it has ghosts, not friendly looking Id like to see this removed from Langholm landscape as it is an eyesore. Although, it was one of the first mills and has a lot of history. It is in no current use for anyone and could be replaced with something everyone can use.
Suspension Bridge	I use this bridge 75% to get from the new town to the old town. The suspension is very good and stable. In the past the suspension bridge has collapsed but that was many years ago. The bridge has a very nice birds eye view of the River Esk.
Loon Chen	Half decent fish and chips I got my first bike from morrisons garage too close to the road needs more space good food, good food, friendly
Wee Workshop	Hidden, never open, never been, looks nice, empty no one goes there, looks empty never been in, have been outside, not very noticeable, in an alleyway, this can leave Langholm, i don't think anyone uses this.
The Crown/Highstreet	I sometimes go up there, it has a bus stop, the shop is good/sells good things, I like the town and the shops because you can see all of the different people and vehicles and I want the shops to stay its good for food and drink, maintained building, nice shapes and dimensions, home of the library and different activities - like pipe band, public toilets, nothing to do. The town hall is impressive and should not be changed. Everything else is buildings and i have no opinions. The townhall is one of the first buildings in Langholm
The Buccleuch Centre	It looks boring, too square, depressing, looks modern-modern-is (not really) Dirty, Its absolutely class (banging)
Buccleuch Park	Boring, there is no entertainment, in the big area you can put something, its too simple, goos space for walking dogs, very spacious, near the church

Boys, Things they like about Langholm

Post It Quotes	Number of Repetitions
The crown sells bad food	
Town hall	
Common riding (Langholm may be small but its busy in July for Langholm Common Riding)	3
School (I get to see my friends)	
Beachy Planes (Great Place for chucking stones)	
Londis (good for chocolate and crisps, nice people working there)	
Malcom Monument (The most famous landmark in Langholm, it has a nice view)	2
3G pitch for playing sports	
River Esk	
Lanimors of Langholm (Great place to furnish your house at reasonable prices)	
Golf Club (Good at winter for sledging)	(2 for sledging)
Breahead Park Area (for soccer, good for walking)	2
Zara Continental (A great Place for socialising)	
Snob hill	
Cricket Club (Amazing During Cricket season, Good fun)	
Whit Shields (Good bacon rolls)	
pelosis (tasty chips)	
Kilngreen Park (good for kids to play)	
Johnnys (Cheap sweets)	
Langholm Rugby/Football Club (One of the oldest rugby clubs in Scotland and rugby is real fun)	
The Woods	
7s	
Muckle Toon Adventure Festival	

Question	Answers	Extra Comments
What is important to Langholm's Success?	Common Riding (x3) , MTAF (x3) Entertainment, Nature, culture (x2), we need to create more job opportunities so people don't have to leave to get jobs, participation in different sports	Entertainment is good because there is a range of events at different times of the year
What can you do as project Planners?	Make more accommodation to attract more people to common riding and MTAF, advertise MTAF to bring in more money, we could reburish Buccleuch park, make more offices and houses, then make more shops and arts centre	Add a biplane or climbing wall to the park, bring in new events like the highland games but call it the lowland games.
What can you do as students?	Promote common riding and MTAF, try to build the buildings with the adults for entertainment and the old people	

Boys Categories and funding. (2 Groups, £200,000)

Category	Top Three	Bottom Three	Funding
Community	Common Riding		
Culture	Common Riding (x2)		*25k (refub church)
Movement		(Old Church) *Meant for Community?	*25k (Refurbish Old Church) *Community? *60k meant for entertainment? (To build a shopping centre) *0k?
Education		Old School, Refurbish the Academy	25k, 30k (Refurbish School) 50k
Housing	Snob'Hill		10k (build houses for the community)
Sustainability		*Reid and Taylors, *Station Building *Meant for movement?	
Entertainment	MTAF (x2) Rugby 7s, Common Riding		*60k (build shopping centre)
Employment		Old Factory, Edinburgh Woollen Mill	50k

Brunch Workshop

Question	Answers
In the Future, I hope that Langholm will be:	More Populated (x2) , More Jobs (x2) , a popular tourist attraction, the gateway to the north, more houses, less focussed on political views and all work towards the same goal: our future, shops open (bakeries) places for lunch at the weekends, playgrounds and activities, sport events,
This spot in Langholm Needs	Volunteer work for cleaning up the town,
I think that Langholm would be a great Place to have:	A festival at the Kilgreen, the gym and swimming pool (x3), outdoor activities and attractions, a greggs, sports shop, a young social area for any night of the week
I don't often visit this space because:	there isn't much to do for folk aged 14-15 apart from sports, The shops and restaurants are closed for lunch at weekends, Gym- not often open to fit gym hours, classes don't appeal at times available EWM - Needs refurbished
A place in Langholm that could be better used is:	Buccleuch, the dump (needs work) , Ewm Gym(x2) Downhill Mountain biking tracks Tennis Courts, Castleholm (x2) Tourist Centre KilnGreen Surrounding Areas Empty Land at TownFoot (x2) Reid and Taylors Mill (x2) Armstrongs Border Tours (x2) Langholm Pop-up Shop Swimming pool
I would like to be able to ____ In Langholm	- Feel safer at all times, day or night (community watch officer) - Have mid-week social clubs

Notes

Suggestions for Buccleuch Centre	Popular Movies @ Buccleuch Centre
Suggested Current Assets	Common Riding, Surrounding Areas (Hills and Walks), History, Photography, Sport, Whisky/Cider? Colour Run (Uni of Cumbria? Norwich School Langholm)
Opinions of Langholm	Place - Isolated, peaceful, nature, close to Carlisle, shopping, facilities (Ewm) Community - Open, Young and Old Older Audience stopping new things happening
Suggestions for the Post Office	Gaming cafe, social space, pool table, kitchenette, wifi, soft play
Suggestions for Pop-Up Shop	Cool, (Trendy Design Led Vibe), Clothes, Make Up, Accessories, Cafe, Social Space, Trendy Treats (donuts) , Magazines, Vintage Handmade Candy, Stationary/Gifts, Cactus/Succulents, Gift Shop
Opinions of Buccleuch Park	Some Local Anxiety, too many proposed potential to spoil character, basic, lack of light, lack of shelter, lack of domestic scale
Opinions of Youth Club/Suggestions for YC	Enforced Activities, catered more for boys, not as attractive to attend / Nail Salon, Theatre Makeup
Opinions of Reid and Taylor Mill	Empty and Abandoned, looks bit spooky, looks dodgy, derelict, uninviting, needs a cleaning, dark and mucky, old and rusty.
Suggestions for Reid and Taylor Mill	Turn into a little market, local produce, little stalls (1st Sat Every Month) Skate Park (10yrs and Up)
Suggestions for Council	Ban the Lorry stops over night.
Opinions of Housing	Bad place for first time buyers because the houses either are mansions or need lots of work done to them

Design Cafe

Identified areas of opportunity/improvement

- Gin Distillery
- Aaron Whiskey (Want to mirror something similar)
- Bring in the cider man the exists in the town.
- The town needs a more online presence - digital newspaper. Digital news more translucent as they have included news about a member of the team and used pictures but had never consulted member. - Currently people get the Langholm paper posted out to them - could save money on postage if made online
- Create an email forum/newletter for langholm folk.
- OutDoors Leisure**
- Glamping sites - using the natural sites - Attract Wigwam chains
- Wagons and Hot Tubs - as long as people can see the stars
- A Lobster Lunch - Castelview catering does lunch at Buccleuch
- Road cycling maps available online and as a part of tourist info.
- General walking maps for Kilgreen
- Local recycled benches
- Better swings
- Golf club, they used to have £1 golf lessons. Entice young people to play!
- Get local people to help build the benches for the parks (Benches were constantly damaged and had been funded for prepare but then at some point it had just stopped)
- Indoors Leisure**
- Food/Drink**
- Students Chef night - people pop up once a week and test their skills. Cheap food and experience for locals.
- Have space for restaurant pop-ups.
- A Pelosis takeover (worried about insurances)
- Hidden River Cafe, Longtown (Mirror something similar)
- The Pie Club - extend it to Langholm
- Vegan Cafe? (Local Produce)
- Old school cafe
- Chilli Fest
- Nutrition workshop for everyone - bring in produce and learn about cooking and nutrition

- Entertainment**
- Soft Play for you ones. - Currently they have a baby massage group
- Swimming Pool for toddlers - Someone in the town has just trained to become a children's swimming instructor
- Towermill @ Hoik play latest films - apply to Buccleuch centre
- Play independent films from local filmmakers - celebrate the use of local assets
- Extend times pupils are able to access Music Room - Music club?
- Carpet Bowls
- Heritage**
- Heritage Mill Museum - reid and taylor
- Interested in bringing in locally resourced things, celebrate the variety and locality of many materials and crafts/trades.
- Property**
- Investment put into existing properties available to hire.
- Bring PostOffice outside of business hours - not good for independent businesses that use the postal service!
- Bring in a bank open regular hours - also not currently feasible for local business to thrive
- Community**
- Charity events/ nights
- Community Gardens
- Sell the chilli club chilli jam and have 25% of proceeds go to the chilli club
- EWM Community Facility, climbing wall.
- Transport**
- Busses, more busses.

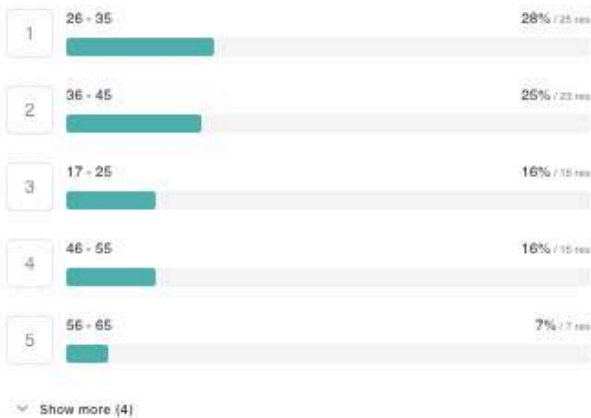
Identified Issues.

- _ Skate Park, shut down due to the community council (10 years ago)
- Flood planes risks are the answer to all attempted suggestions and planning. Flood studies have been delayed for years.
- MTAF bring people to Langholm but because there is enough to do in the festival, people aren't drawn into the town.
- People are expected to work for free - there are no incentives for volunteers. Buccleuch have staff working for free at about 20-30hrs/week.
- There is no young voice in the Langholm alliance
- Pelosis is looking to close and is shut very early every day.
- There are Soup Kitchen days hosted by Kate - no one seemed to know about it
- There was a vegan cafe that had opened that had someone sue it out of business over pay dispute
- Rent Prices are too high, no incentive to bring shops to the town
- There is a group in school that use the music room during school but there is no access to instruments or room outside of school.
- Park paths aren't accessible for prams or chairs, making local walks not attractive for young parents or those who have mobility requirements.
- Benches were constantly damaged and had been funded for prepare but then at some point it had just stopped.
- There was a block of houses that were built (1 bedroom) that were meant to be affordable properties but no one used them because there wasn't a need for affordable 1 bed flats so it got torn down.
- Langholm Personalities. Lots and deemed obstructive.

Online Questionnaire

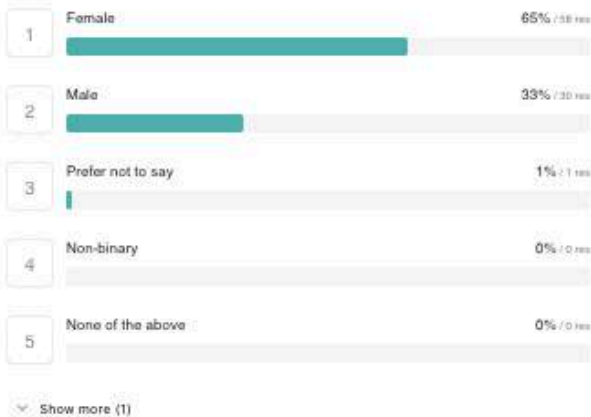
What age are you?

89 out of 89 people answered



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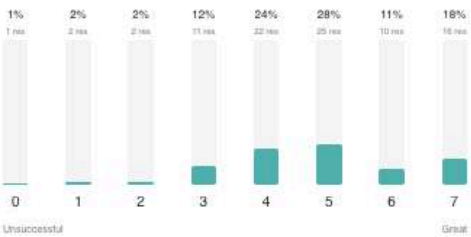
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Getting Around

89 out of 89 people answered

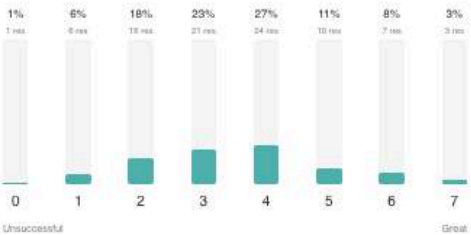
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Public Transport

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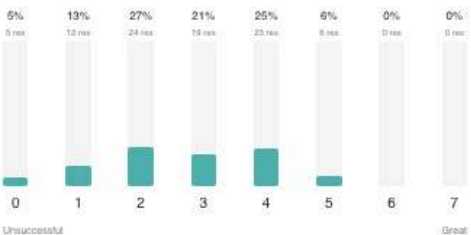
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Retail and High Street

89 out of 89 people answered

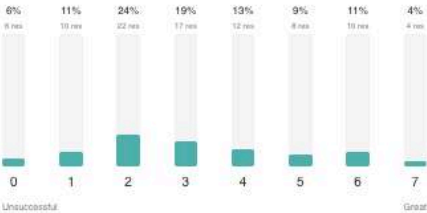
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Play and Leisure

89 out of 89 people answered

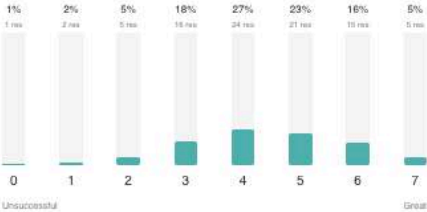
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Arts and Culture

89 out of 89 people answered

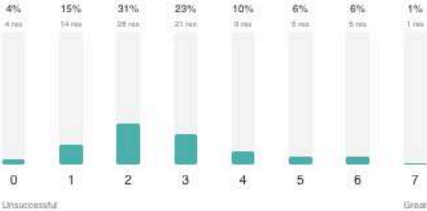
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Education and Employment

89 out of 89 people answered

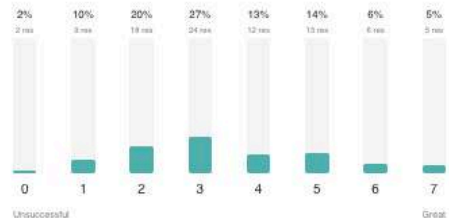
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Housing

89 out of 89 people answered

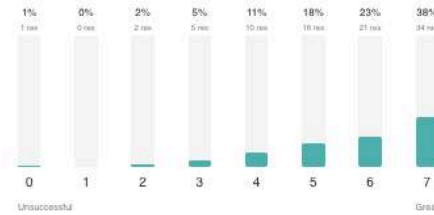
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Identity and Belonging

89 out of 89 people answered

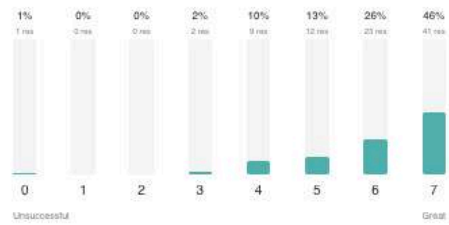
5.70 average rating



Community

88 out of 89 people answered

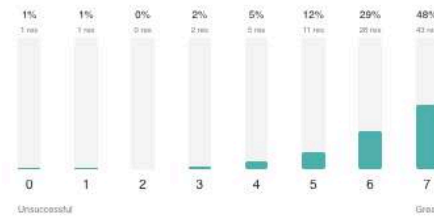
6.00 average rating



Feeling Safe

89 out of 89 people answered

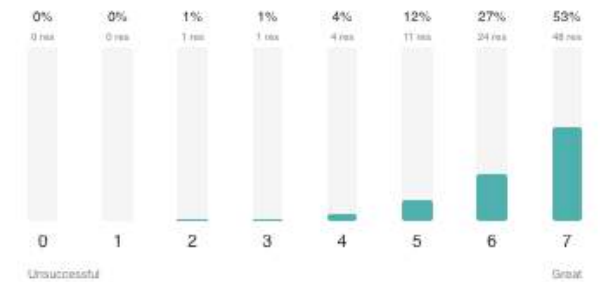
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Natural and Green Spaces

89 out of 89 people answered

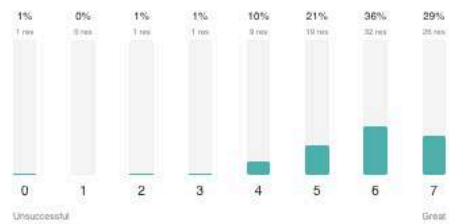
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Health and Wellbeing

89 out of 89 people answered

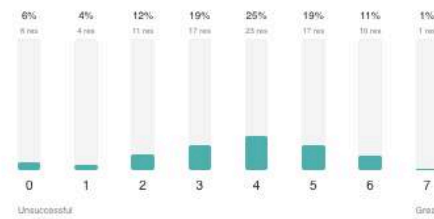
5.70 average rating



Your Influence and Control

89 out of 89 people answered

3.60 average rating



I could help Langholm be better by:

Support local bsuinesses
continue to build adventure festival
shop local more often
Improving its brand, image and appeal
Unfortunately I work away all week and only have limited time with my family which i invest in at the weekends, I would however, be keen on helping out in any project.
Promoting MTAF More
Litter Picking, Support local Business more
Continue to support local groups and Grow my Youtube Channel (Simplethings)
Volunteer during events, but more local produce
Keeping the place tidy
More activities
I would ideally love to have a gift shop
None
Pressure high street banks to reinstate their high street presence. Particularly for disabled people who are
A holm for the elderly
Discussion
Not sure
Get involved organising events
Railway
Getting involved and expressing my ideas
Getting involved more
Unsure
I could get more involved in the community, I often let my job take over
Engaging with the younger generation to get them involved with its future
Being part of the changes. I have already attended the meeting regarding the EWM sports centre and plan on doing my bit where I can to help promote and support the project.
Creating more events
open a distillery. run entrepreneur clubs to share knowldge and collaborate.
Talking positively about it to outsiders
Encourage more people to join in fundraising for Buccleugh Park Playpark project
Offering support to younger people to pass on skills.
I already offer my time and skills in the best way I can (any other information could be identifiable)
Building new homes. Geography makes this difficult but there's good land up towards Ewes
Providing some artwork / content for the newspaper
spread information in regards to what we have going on through family and friends .
And show support to new things that come up in the town
Helping to create a free Scotland
Share things on social media. Use facilities
publicising things, profiling young people in the local paper and new businesses,
encouraging people to turn ideas into action

Staying in the community as a young person
Joining more groups and supporting new ideas
Join in groups for improving things
continuing to give my time to community groups
Rather not say
Shop local is the main one I think in Order to get the town thriving ... there fore more competition is needed in order to get prices lower so more people stay local instead of going to Carlisle for their main shopping ... prices are too high for the small wages we are all on hence us going further afield
Start a business and employ an apprentice
Promoting what goes on there. If I knew about what is available
Continue to provide support within the community to individuals with dementia and their families
Get more involved in events that are happening in the town
I have tried to have more of an active role within the community recently and this is something I want to keep doing
Be more involved in the events in Langholm throughout the year.
petition for another safe crossing on the high street
I already contribute a lot to the community and will continue to do so.x
Being part of groups in order to change attributes which effected me within the town
I could help make Langholm better by encouraging business owners to perhaps look at Langholm for offices and this could create jobs
Happy to share experience of being a commuter. Job opportunities and career progression is far greater
By supporting events
Ooo not sure. Erm keep up our wee townfoot project going. Weeding, planting, tidying up etc
I'm not sure. I've felt excluded
Helping with the ewm sports centre renewal.
contributing more, spending more money in the town etc.
Taking a more active role in the community
I work in a local shop and we need to encourage people to shop local
Keeping a positive and upbeat attitude towards the place I love and call home.
Possitivty goes a long way. I also happily volunteer my time to help as many groups I can which I plan to continue and rope as many others in as possible!
Shopping local
Talking and communicating the change to others. Marketing to a wider audience
Volunteering day, like when the new path was built
Plant the old Ford mill as garden
Don't know
I believe if we can set up proper mtb, running and walking trails and market them well then we can attract people to Langholm. Creating the footfall first and then we should see a more vibrant spacious high street.
It will need mega money to make any improvements that could make a change. Need big investors.
X95 bus dose not run at times early morning or later evening to allow people to work out of Langholm. Can't get to Carlisle for 8.00am for eg
Well I hope starting our business from Langholm will help but we try to support the high street as much as possible
Continue to tell people how wonderful Langholm is
Be more positive :-)
What I would like to do if I had the resources to do it is; try to get the Community thinking about our environment. Reducing waste by making better choices in terms of how they shop, travel and general lifestyle. I'd like to have a plastic recycling bin in place linked to a local company MacRebur who recycle plastic into pellets for roads.
More Log Cabins and/or wigwams
Care for elderly
Community space wether virtual/physical not tied up by the Stevenson Trust and co horts
Go to events held
Encouraging more people to be more enterprising on the High Street

My favoutite place in Langholm is:

The Monument
Monument - any place with views of the town
Rugby club
Rugby club
The high street despite the empty shops
Langholm 3G pitch
Halfway up Whita Hill, on the old drovers road
The monument
The park
The buck
Whita well
Legion
The AstroTurf pitch
The pub
Monument
The bench that sits beside the round house.
Castleholm, surrounding hills, meeting of the rivers on and the pubs
My home.
Kiln green
skippers bridge
Langholm Social Club, Langholm New Town Bowling Club I Spend most summer and winter in these places
The castle!
Monument
Anywhere by the river watching the wildlife.
Whita
Monument
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Outdoors, up the hills or in the woods.
The kiln green
The Gaskells
Any of the walks

Various
The Douglas Hotel
Swimming pool(was)
Just the walks are beautiful
The waterside
Home.

The Buccleuch Centre. It's an asset to the town for arts, entertainment, and dining.
Langholm Moor
The water
The hills or @ friends homes
Rugby club, langholm social club
The Post Office

up a hill
The EWM Gym (now closed)
The top of Meikleholm
Kilngreen
The Rugby Club
My bed
The surroundings
Castle hill
Potholm
Home
The kilgreen
The bench up at the monument
The monument, great views of the surrounding areas and town.
The river banks
Roundhouse
The monument
Langholm monument
At the monument looking over the town and surrounding countryside
On the hill on the back of a horse
Monument!!!
The water's meet
The hills
Monument
The surrounding walks
The top of whita
All the walks
Community Centre purely for what me and my daughter get from baby massage every Wednesday! This was a difficult one to choose!!
Whita
Whita hill
Walks
Monument!
Surrounding hills/walks
Masonic Lodge
Back of tarras
The hills

My least favourite thing about Langholm is:

Derelict Buildings
Peoples mentality - many people holding back change as 'it's always been'.
The lack of suitable affordable housing to buy and job opportunities
There's not much to do
Parking
Not a lot for kids to do
The bad weather
There is no home for the elderly
Nothing 😊
Dog dirt on the waterside
The lack of transport links
Flood risk, lack of volunteering in community projects and activities by 25-50 year olds, inaccurate reporting by the Eskdale and Liddesdale Advertiser, reduction in Dumfries and Galloway Council services.
Outdated park for kids
Nothing for children to do everything we have to travel for
Drugs
Lack of activities
The isolation
Lack of opportunity
Low job opportunities to encourage next gen residence.
Old die hard attitudes and stuck in their way thinking, dominat public figures
Townfoot! The ground where the flats used to be is just horrid, unattractive and a complete waste of land.
The lack of small businesses and shops
lack of direction or purpose and thus jobs
People moaning about nothing to do when actually if you go out and look there are lots of activities/committes /groups to get involved ing
There's nowhere for young people to go in the rain
Dog mess on streets
Too many people trying to run too many organisations, falling out and holding grudges.
Negative attitudes towards change (and the expectation that someone/something will come along to change things for us)
Lack of employment
Lack of amenities, small-town mindset of some
Frustrating lack of vision by people making decisions - old people with low standards and little awareness of what's happening, culturally, outside of a small surrounding area.
That I feel it is missing more planned activities and classes for younge children
Lack of Opportunities for Young People
The lack of facilities
that young people have to leave for education and very few opportunities for young people here
lack of access to opportunities & amenities
The lack of gym facilities available
Not much to do
Run down derelict buildings making the town look desolate; Reid and Taylor's, Langholm Primary School.
Lack of funding by local government, road repairs not being completed, industry in the town moving out.
People
Lack of jobs
The low morral of the communit
The way it is being run down
Lack of new housing, employment..

Losing ewm , bfa not enough employment to keep young ones in the town
Dog fouling and lack of local amenities
The lack of business opportunities in the town now, Langholm needs to be given then opportunity to have something brought back to it, bring some life back to the area, a lot of fundamentals of a good town are in place it just needs more people and jobs to get the town thriving again.
lack of safe places to cross the road
People who think there is nothing going on
The school,the education system here is very poor and needs significant improvement
Lack of industrial businesses
The negativity - some people want things to stay the same, they can't! Langholm is a fantastic place to live and we need to make the best of what we have and adapt accordingly.
The lack of shops and facilities
Negativity of the older generation 😞 (another nail in the coffin) also the lack of a park has went on waaaay too long. Standing in the Buccleuch park would depress anybody!!
The clogging up of the high street at the narrows and the empty shops
Lack of things to do
No jobs or activities to do
Looks run down, shadows of it's former self
The lack of jobs
No jobs
The old tourist information building at the kilngreen. It annoys me every time I pass it. Such a good location to go to waste.
Lack of job opportunities for local people
Lack of industry and employment
Lack of things to do
No decent shops/no jobs/no-where to get a coffee,food after 3pm!
So many empty buildings ie Reid & taylor's
All the arts and crafts shops
No jobs banks postoffice
Our high street is dying
Lack of employment
Run down unkempt buildings, unswept street pavements,
The demise of the high street and lack of evening caffe or even Saturday afternoon or Sunday cafe
Shops shutting 😞
N/A
A poor sense of ownership over local issues eg "it's the council's job to sort it". Monopolies on property without effective community buy-in or further understanding of regional/nationwide trends/practices. Acceptance of the status quo and pervasive apathy. Duplication of activity. Efforts at "regeneration" are typically top-heavy and led by the same faces - those people have value and experience but need to allow young people, who are passionate and able, to take control and support them through shared learning and access to resources. Incredible bank of financial and social capital but an unwillingness to invest in large-scale development. A close-mindedness that restricts creative and effective community development: stop shutting the door and let new faces and ideas in!
The uninspiring high street, lack of 'kerb appeal'. Some narrow minded views of some of the shop keepers who lack vision for creating a welcoming atmosphere.
Its Aye Been attitude
No jobs no shops or banks
Cyncism as a focuss starting point
Lack of job opportunities
The empty shop units.

The best things about Langholm are..?

Relatively Safe, Community Spirit, Lots of restaurants - Douglas
SAFE, FRIENDLY, STRONG SENSE OF IDENTITY, BEAUTIFUL SURROUNDINGS,
communitiy spirit
community spirit, rural area with lots of walk/outside space for kids to play
Location for Rural Activities, people - friendly and welcoming, cultural and natural heritage
community spirit especially during times of organised events such as MTAF and Common Riding
Community Spirit, Safety, Beautiful COuntry side, Common Riding, Rugby Club
The douglas Hotel, Freindly, Safe
The Community Spirit
Traditional events - coming riding, ride outs, the cornet election nights.
Friendly, landscape, low living costs
Common riding
The community spirit
The school and community
Community support
The good community spirit and a lovely place to bring up children
The environment and the people
Common riding
The scenery, the community spirit
Beautiful scenery, small community, sense of belonging, number and quality of community projects and activities, volunteering culture
Good schools
Common riding
The landscape. The people. Our sports
The scenery. Heritage. People. Common riding.
Community spirit
Community, reasonable facilities for a small town, good position to commute from, low crime rate.
It's stunning location, hard work ethic of people, friendly people
The people. We keep trying to make the town great again, with little or no help from the powers above us. It is still, I believe, a clean and safe place to bring up my children.
The cafés and the friendly people
Heritage, wildlife, dark skies, countryside, low crime, community
The community spirit, Huge range of sports facilities and activities that are hosted from bowling clubs to golf and cricket clubs.
It's close knit and friendly
community spirit, lovely walks, nice eateries
Large number of clubs and activities. Buccleuch Centre. Town Hall. Schools within the town. Library.
The natural environment, the people.
The people, common riding, mtaf, school, great place for kids too grow up
The countryside/landscape & the (generally) friendly people
The hills. Biking. Walking. Friendly. Community. Good butcher. Cheap.
The people , the outdoors , great for our family ,
Affordable Property
Walks, common riding, people.
Friendly, safe community with good community spirit
The countryside, humour, self reliance, how active people are, safe, quality of life, affordable to live

The community, the outdoors & the safety
Community spirit
Friendly, safe, lots of community activities and good community spirit, creative people, Common Riding!
The road out
Community
The Common Riding , the stunning landscape , the location , the rugby club , scholars 3g pitch , the walks
Scenery
Community spirit, walks
Good friendly community , everyone helps everyone, good community spirit, cheap housing , great schools and great place to bring up young children , good groups for babies as a mum with young child found out people travel to come to groups here as they don't have in places such a Gretna !! And great walks and views , great teams in sport as in rugby , football , the common riding of course !!! Good wee pubs with great food available 👍
The sense of community spirit and the beautiful scenery
Friendly people, good school, cheap housing, good variety of sports in the town, quirkiness of event that occur throughout the year ie chilli club, common riding, MTAF.
Countryside, walks, friendly people, low crime, nice schools
Rural location, strong sense of community, safe environment for kids, lots of clubs and activities, very friendly and welcoming.
People,walks
Langholm RFC
Community, location and family
The views
The friendliness, feeling safe, scenery and amount of amazing trails and hills to climb!!
The locality and the traditions.
Community spirit , countryside , walks, outdoor living. Schools
Walks
Low crime, Beatiful place to live and unspoiled
The sense of community
Lovely place to bring up children
The people, our incredibly beautiful surroundings, the safety, the community spirit, the geographical central location, the many clubs and activities run largely by volunteers, the wildlife, the nightlife and the fact the it is 'home'.
The people, the great surroundings (great for walking, running and biking). Great place to bring up kids.
The people. The surroundings. Safe and secure.
People, idillic surrounds , children friendly, easy access to 3 big cities
Schools,lovely walks
Sense of community
It's location and friendly town
The scenery
It's a beautiful place, we have a great community. Our location is great for outdoor activities.
Community feeling, walks, nice and quiet place to live.
Friendly, Safe
Friendly musical bands common riding sense of community easy access to anywhere beautiful hills and rivers schools first class not too big always get a smile from someone when out and about
The beautiful scenery, it's historical textile industry is fascinating, a lovely place to bring up children, friendly and supportive
The people, the scenery and the fabulous heritage
A clearly identified link between people and place. A sense of community and belonging. Resilience and
The Community Spirit, they way we all look out for each other. The low crime rate has huge benefits, er
Community Spirit
The scenery
Friendly Great Environment - Rural and traditional culturally rich!
Sports, community, common riding
The people

What Most needs to change in Langholm ?

Parks, Childrens facilities, bus links to other D&G towns, empty shops
maximise its potential
more for younger ones to do
facilities for children - swimming pool, soft play, play park. Recycling
Acceptance of the need for new industry such as tourism, encourage outside opinions, engage with other towns like Hawich, Newcastleton and Longtown
Langholm is one of the best places in the world to visit. investment needs to be made in young children and bespoke attractions to bring people in teh twon. The playpark project needs to be supported to attract people into the town which would in turn create jobs. The high street retailers need to be more flexible on high traffic tim ethe town looks shut. Langholm need more slef catering holiday accommodation or even investment in camping foods etc we have the space to do it!
Oppertunities for young people to stay and work in teh town, use of teh surroundings and boost oppertunities eg. riding stables, outdoor education centre, sporting activites
Parks, Bus Links to Dunfries/Annan Better, Empty Shops
More Events to bring Tourism and better promotion of what the town has to offer
People tend to shop and spent more time out of the town as there is very little in the town unless there is an event on.
People's attitude. It isn't what it was (the 'muckle toon) and may never be again. People have to accept change and embrace it to take the town forward.
To shop local
Keeping the high street full to encourage people to stay in Langholm, stop when passing through and to encourage people to remain in langholm
Jobs for people
To move on from the "it's aye been that way"mentality
The idea of change
More jobs. More opportunities for young people
Losing young people to bigger towns and universities
We need to upgrade our play and park facilities, especially in Buccleuch Park. I would like to see the Buccleuch Park Project plans realised. We need more facilities for disabled people including accessible play equipment, a changing places toilet, disabled access to shops and attractions, better pavements and more dropped kerbs.
Jobs and things for children to do
More verility of shops
The attitude for change
The mentality
Attitude towards change
Empty buildings or plots of land being developed, there are lots just sitting empty
openness to new ideas
Out of your control but the job opportunities! After that it's the facilities for families!!
The lack of businesses and shops are not bringing tourists in and I feel that if we had more they would be more tourists
it needs to produce something. or lots of things. give people a reason to visit and thus attract investment
More businesses starting up and having a financial backing, which would lead to employment for local people
Reputation! People see it as a quaint little place with no reason to stop
as above
Negative attitudes, historic grudges and seeing incomers as "white settlers".
Removal of the barriers to change (e.g. people's attitudes towards change, lack of co-ordinated vision , flood plain planning restrictions, release derelict buildings/unused sites for regeneration opportunities, improved infrastructure)
Not letting young people have a voice. Traditional patriarchal roles assuming older, white men at the top
Some people's attitudes. There is a lot of negativity which stems from the decline over the years. Many p
Better attitude from Buccleuch Estates
Encourage young people to stay no flee
Investment in infrastructure to support development. Let the older/post retirement generation take their h
Old buildings need dealt with, most are sitting there useless
There needs to be a better diversity of offer on the High Street.
Employment opportunities
Keeping people shopping inmlangholm and bringing people in to visit
The empty storefronts

Investment from d&g council
There needs to be more employment opportunities
Attitude. The town engenders a very small town attitude and lack of ambition. People claim to want change but either don't support it when it happens or settle for such a small amount of change that it makes no difference.
People's attitude of "that would be a good idea " then nothing actually happens with it .
Younger people need to take charge/ownership of their destiny
Needs more facilities. Like gym or shops
turning plans into actions and enabling folk to get involved
The old guard mentality. Allow younger people to be empowered and take responsibility for the town
There needs to be new investment in the town, younger ideas & a better attitude to new ideas
Peoples attitude
Industry investment
People's attitudes
Planning, ideas, the next generation need to tell us what they would like to see in their town to keep them here. Attitudes to change need to change. So much potential in this town.
People's attitudes, housing prices , ammenities
More jobs, getting info of groups out to people, and warm welcome to people who grew up somewhere else.
Everyone willing to pull together to support new ventures
The investment of jobs in the town
Encouragement of youths into local businesses, apprenticeships
The opinions of people that Langholm is only a retirement village and that it is going down hill.
schools need more ASD training and updating, earlier buses to Carlisle/carpooling service, more than one safe crossing on the high street,
The types of shops available on the high street
Employment and schools
The lack of job opportunities
Public perception and expectations.
The lack of jobs, and also the amount of buildings going to ruin
We just need more people visiting the town. I think we have so many unspoilt beautiful hills that are amazing for walking, running, biking that we could almost be a wee mini "Lake District" "glentress"etc we just need more publicity a visitors centre and a nice family friendly beer garden (legion?) and we are good to go :-)
Empty shops! The life has gone out of the town.
Being open longer and over 7 days a week. I've seen many people looking for food etc, to fix nothing but the pubs open.
Shops and public transport
attitudes
People investing money into the town
We need a voice that the council listens to as we seem to be the forgotten town
No alot. Employment is an issue for those unwilling or unable to travel although I do and quite enjoy working in Carlisle and living in Langholm.
D&G council actively encouraging and support investment in the town
The feeling that there is nothing that can be done. Be positive about change. The youth are the ones that can help drive it forward but they need advice from older generations
stop Telling us you are going to do things and you don't, more industry
Employment/better communication from all the different organisations/groups in Langholm.
Too many and I have no idea what they do!!
Having visited towns like Kirkcudbright, there needs to be more regular events to attract people to the town, like MTAF. Maybe food festive, summer nights, winter lights events etc
The lack of support from D&Gretna council
Housing jobs shops
we need to believe that we can change. We all play a little too safe
Employment to bring people/keep the young in the town.
More jobs

What would make Langholm better?

Housing, Buisnesses, Creative Centre
Local shops open, similar to the producers market. Market the town as a place to come cycling etc so that shops and restaurants can warrant staying open
More businesses and employment and something to attract people to the town
Keeping shops open
Parking for visitors close to the high street to encourage footfall
A play area for kids
High street essential shops, for example bakery,book shop,green grocers
Being the public to the high street
A bigger store, other than the coop
More housing, increased communication between sectors
Flood prevention measures, increased volunteering in community projects and activities by 25-50 year olds, more accurate reporting by the Eskdale and Liddesdale Advertiser, a thriving local economy, better job opportunities and transport links, increased and better care facilities for the elderly, increase in investment by the Local Authority and other agencies, adult learning opportunities delivered by Dumfries and Galloway Council, help and support for local people to strengthen local community organisations and to develop community projects and social enterprises.
Better public transport links
Soft play /farm park /activity centre
More jobs
More opportunities for fitness and health
If there was more young people my age
Improved tourist attractions
Better transport this would include roads as well as public,
Improved tourism opportunities
More facilities for families, parks/play areas, things to do such as classes, more job opportunities.
More small businesses and small shops
a clear strategy of what is wanted to be famous for.
Money spent on sporting facilities e.g. bowling clubs and Rugby clubs so they can have more to offer for young people especially
Somewhere sheltered to go, the kind of cafe where you can sit for hours
More provision for kids
Making the town more attractive to tourists. Using the shops. Attitude change, especially amongst older people.
No one single thing. It requires a co-ordinated strategy that includes an improved infrastructure (better transport, connectivity, spaces for start-ups) and local capacity building work.
More employment, tourism and shops
Increased population. Better transport infrastructure
Industry leading to an expansion of the gene pool and some recognition of the massive drinking culture/problem that holds so many (young) people back.
More business back in the town , more things for younger children of all ages . I have moved from another small town to Langholm and although there seem to be a lot of very good ideas the majority of the people I have spoke to have lots of good ideas and are happy to back them but when these thing start then don't go or won't support them
Promote the town as a destination for walking and outdoor activities
Gym, cinema, decent coffee shop
better links for young people to be able to travel to the various further and higher education institutions, work for people, making young people feel valued
Investment as a trade and cultural centre/destination point
More jobs in langholm or near surrounding area
Find ways to get people into the empty shops.

Honest town wide redevelopment
A new gym, shops on the High st, new businesses investing in Langholm
Kids activities
Big investment into sustainable industries to provide long term stable employment to a large number of people. Getting old building back into purposeful use.
Friendlier people
Less red tape of planning ideas and less negative attitude
Kilingreen revamp with new toilets , new picnic benches, new kids play equipment , shop
More jobs to attract families
More jobs, housing
More chance to build up chances of more jobs
Young entrepreneurs and business owners
Investment in local business and new biusiness' coming to the town, this would encourage people to either stay in Langholm or move to Langholm. Spend more money in the town.
more pedestrian crossings, free facilities e.g. free gym, activities for 15-18yr olds, lowering shop rents so people can make money
Getting derelict and abandoned buildings used for something purposeful
Building new schools with highly trained staff to allow children to get good qualifications to lead them onto further education! More jobs opportunities need to be created
More job opportunities and attracting more visitors to the town
People making the most of what we have. Selling the fact that it is a great place to come home to after else during the day
More events for tourists, or even a common riding information shop for visitors? And some support for new opportunities for older buildings ect
More tourists and new industry. A bit of regeneration at townfoot would help since it's the first thing people see coming from the south.
The vision to make the town a centre for wildlife, walking and creative activities .
A pool, outdoor sports centre. More things for tourists to do. Better opening times for coffee shops/cafes. They close far to early.
More shops/jobs better public transport
Investment in infrstructure, transport and housing
More work
More jobs
I love langholm the way it is really. Better transport links to Carlisle and other major employment areas.
Better paths on walks for wheel chairs and prams. Better advertising for the amassing things the town has to offe
Encouraging businesses into the town to fill empty and disused buildings which are falling into disrepair
Expansion of mtaff. Building of wigwams and opening of all year round outdoor centre
Activity centre for families, eg ice skating, indoor sky, indoor outdoor climbing,swimming pool
Money pumped in to it!!Community to work together
Investment from government & tourism attractions
Employment Employment Employment and envestment
Regeneration
We need to encourage a more social aspect to our high street traditional retail has had its day. I feel a more social aspect to the high street is what's need to get people passing through to stop and to get locals back into the cafes and bars. I also feel that being part of Dumfries and Galloway is holding us back. I feel we could have a far better marketing opportunity if we were the gateway to the borders.
Can't see how I could?
No dog poo no litter no empty buildings
It would help if D&G council remembered we are here and not think of us as part of the Scottish Borders Council
A high street that everybody uses and brings life back to the town
Making it known for all its fabulous features
It's time to give young people the reins. Let people of a new generation decide what their community should look like for the future and recognise the aspirations, skills, knowledge and experience of the 21st century that ex
Having the many organisations work more closely together to bring about a more coherant approach to planning
Castleholm to be given to Langholm for Tourism Development
More jobs rail service

What are the biggest opportunities in Langholm?

Music and the Arts
Using the local landscape for trails - walking/ cycling. Converting old buildings for locals to buy houses.
Tourism - cycling, walking, mountain biking. Close proximity to Carlisle and we'll established public transport network
Smaller town
There is a wide range of creative opportunities
None
A great choice for all kinds of performing arts
The environment
Young riders, education.
Utilising empty buildings
Older people in and around Langholm, particularly the over 50's, are actively involved in developing and delivering fantastic community projects and activities locally. In doing so, they have an amazing wealth of knowledge and experience which they are willing to share. There is a huge opportunity for people under 50, particularly those in the 25-40 age bracket, to work alongside and learn from them. However, this opportunity is missed because many people under 50 are not willing to volunteer their time and work with those that are older – if this continues then, in time, the town will continue to decline.
Good school
Outdoor centre and activities
One of the best academies in Scotland
Unsure
At the moment the travel and tourism market seems to be the way to go, however I also think there are great opportunities in the care sector.
Tourism
Developing the EWM sports centre, building affordable housing, and developing the Buccleuch Park.
More events such as MTAF and the sevens
tourism. the opportunities are endless across all tourism sectors.
I think Langholm needs to promote itself more e.g. there should be signs as you come into the town expressing that the first man on the moon considers this his home town, also we were named the best market town in Scotland but no one coming into the town will know because there are no signs/banners to say that we are.
Getting involved with a strong community
Promoting walks, heritage etc, would love to see a better high street but in this climate unfortunately this is unlikely
Langholm is a beautiful place and the surrounding countryside is full of wildlife. This has great potential for tourism.
The natural environment, the people (there's pockets of entrepreneurialism that needs to be developed)
None for young people leaving school !
Tourism, perhaps?
For individuals? Currently the A7 north and south. For Langholm, there's untapped opportunity in the town's significant history and the surrounding countryside.
The younger generations they need support and encouragement through sport and activities .
New business but again these need supported
The area - set amidst fantastic scenery
A good coffee shop on high street
continue to develop community led solutions to mitigate council cuts and lack of profitability for private sector to come in
The ones you make for yourself, Langholm doesn't often have open opportunities in the community
People would join a gym if a new one was opened
School

Lots of initiative in the community, big spaces and buildings.
Nothing
Lots of potential in the town for lots of things. The town needs an open mind to survive the future
Tourism and commuting town
It's hard to think of any! Playing for the rugby team? Being part of common riding?
Outdoor pursuits
Tourism and a chance to build new things into all the empty buildings instead of letting them go to ruin
My only option was to move away when I was younger. I'm struggling to think what opportunities young people have now.
The encouragement of tourism to the town, and renovation of old mills into housing or new business'
mainly sporting involvement or going to commuting for work, study
Outdoor activities
Sporting
I think there is quite a lot of opportunities in Langholm especially for businesses because there are less jobs at the moment so I think if people can see that they should try and introduce there businesses to the town and create more job opportunities
Reasonably priced housing and good access to towns nearby for work if nothing suitable locally.
A support structure for small businesses to thrive, particularly those that are on-line
There isn't many now, most things have had to shut down. I myself couldn't find a job in the town
People with vision creating
The outdoor activities it could offer, canoeing, trail bike, running, walks, horse riding.
To join clubs (school kids)
build on tourist and marketing
To be part of a community project
Can't think of anything
Tourism for the sporty is a massive one. Its crying out for an activity centre in my opinion
Great opportunities for school kids eg sport and creative activities.
The location
None
Tourism/walks
Buccleuch park
To leave the town when young as it's a retirement settlement
None
Outdoor activities. To become a hub for all things outdoors. Bringing outdoor enthusiasts to the town and having a network of bars coffee shops and cafes to feed and water them.
T9 be brought up in a safe and friendly environment
None
I am starting a business with my wife so there is so much support which is lovely
Family
Langholm has so many opportunities - the whole narrative of the "dying town" is unhelpful and untrue. Our biggest opportunities are the increasing small-scale high-quality textile industry. They are in arts and creative industries, IT, hospitality, tourism and care. We need to work collectively to start developing a social economy that capitalises on increased procurement opportunities. There is scope to expand the high street for alternative uses: housing, well-packaged pop-up shops and improved signage and creative-led marketing (eg Stove and Midsteeple Quarter projects). Developing infrastructure for business development is a massive opportunity that can be led a community level. Increasing training opportunities to avoid exclusionary access to training facilities outwith the community. There could be scope for alternative use of the Academy as a community "hub" that promotes opportunities for lifelong learning and a common space for all.
To build on our Tourism. (We were voted 'Best Market Town in Scotland' by the Royal Mail but no-where)
Tourism
None
Space!
Standing for cornet
The empty shop units.

High Street Takeover

OutPost Arts Data

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OUTPOST ARTS	HIGH STREET TAKEOVER					FACILITATOR	ELLEN CUMMING	TOTAL PARTICIPANTS	19					
EVENT:	INSTRUCTIONS TO GROW					OVERVIEW:	Participants are asked to think about what Langholm needs in order to "grow".							
RESPONSE		AGE		POSTCODE		PP CATEGORY	SURF CATEGORY							
"Flower park plant"		9		DG13		Community	Community							
"Soft play"		38		DG16 5AB		Entertainment	Tourism/attractions							
"Swimming pool"		33		DG13 0AF		Community	Community							
"Distillery"		33		DG13		Employment	Economic purpose							
"More days like this"		39		DG13 0AP		Community	Citizenship							
"Child friendly walks"		32		DG13 0AP		Entertainment	Land use							
"Restaurant"		31		DG13 0NQ		Employment	Tourism/attractions							
"Outdoor adventure centre"		33		DG13 0NQ		Entertainment	Tourism/attractions							
"Toy superstore"		9		DG13 0DS		Employment	Economic purpose							
"Waymarked MTB trails"		38		DG16 5AB		Entertainment	Tourism/attractions							
"Bunkhouse"		33		DG13 0NQ		Employment?	Tourism/attractions							
"A bigger park"		17		DG13		Entertainment	Land use							
"Community allotments"		32		DG13 0AK		Community	Community/land use							
"Activities for kids"		9		DG13 0IS		Entertainment	Community							
"More sports for all ages"		21		DG13		Entertainment	Community							
"Rock climbing wall"				DG13		Entertainment	Tourism/attractions							
"Swimming pool"				DG13		Entertainment	Community							
"More engaging high street shops"				DG13		Sustainability?	Tourism/attractions							
"Sculpture trail"				DG13		Culture	Tourism/attractions							

OUTPOST ARTS	HIGH STREET TAKEOVER		FACILITATOR	JASON RAILTON		TOTAL PARTICIPANTS	39
EVENT:	MAPPING		OVERVIEW		Participants are asked to think about areas in Langholm		
RESPONSE	AGE	POSTCODE	PP CATEGORY	AREA	SURF CATEG.	COMMENTS	
'BMX track'		DG13	Entertainment	Buccleuch Park	Tourism/attractions		
'Playpark for kids'	40	DG13 OAR	Entertainment		Community/land use		
'Restaurants'	33	DG13	Employment		Economic purpose		
'Property owners and businesses must be held accountable for the state of their buildings'	24	DG13 OAG	Community		Land/property use		
'Alternative uses for high streets - housing?'	24	DG13 OAG	Housing		Housing and infrastructure		
'Very sheltered housing once new flood plains are in place'	56	DG13 OAJ	Housing		Housing and infrastructure		
'Keep shops in high street filled (maybe more parking to encourage visitors when passing through). Use wind turbine money if it goes ahead towards community projects, capitalise on outdoor activities on the back of the adventure festival'		DG13	Employment/ Sustainability?		Economic purpose		
'Turn all into houses'		DG13	Housing		Housing and infrastructure		
'High end antique shops. Book stores'	56	DG13 OAJ	Employment	High Street	Tourism/attractions		
Interactive learning			Education		Community		
'Interactive learning (adults and kids)			Education		Community		
'Soft play centre'	39	DG13 ODS	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions		
'Self catering flats to encourage families to stay. Wedding venue?'		DG13	Employment	Reid & Taylors	Tourism/attractions		
'Climbing wall'			Entertainment	Erskine Church	Tourism/attractions		
'Force reuse of church to rid town of scaffolding/dangerous steeple'			Community		Land/property use		
'River activities eg row boats'			Entertainment	River Esk	Tourism/attractions		
'Sandwich shops and crafts (local)'			Employment	Kiln Green	Tourism/attractions		
'Raft races'			Entertainment		Tourism/attractions		
'Bunkhouse - a great use of space'			Employment	Former primary school	Tourism/attractions		
'All activities centre - climbing, soft play, gymnastics'			Entertainment		Tourism/attractions		
'Affordable activity centre, MTB, cycling, running, walking, accommodation'	42	DG13 OAX	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions		
'Indoor clip and climb centre for adults and kids'			Entertainment		Tourism/attractions		
Dance/theatre college	35	DG13	Education	Castleholm	Community		
Rubber duck races in the river			Community		Community		
'BMX rentals'	21	DG13 OQH	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions		
'Bike shack/workshop'	21	DG13 OQH	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions Community		
'BMX pump track'	21	DG13 OQH	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions Community		
'BMx track'		DG13	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions Community		
'Bouldering'			Entertainment		Tourism/attractions		
'Climbing walls, high rope, paintballing'	33	DG13	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions		
'Geocache for families'	33	DG13	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions		
'Summer food festivals/stalls in car park to catch travellers'	33	DG13	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions		
'Bunkhouses'			Employment		Tourism/attractions		
'Glamping/camping accommodation'	39	DG13 OBG	Community		Tourism/attractions		
'Plastic tube slide down through trees'			Entertainment		Tourism/attractions		
'Go Ape'			Entertainment		Tourism/attractions		

'Trained walk leaders'			DG13	Employment		Economic purpose	
'Stop muckle turbines!'			DG13	Community		Community	
'Keep the wind turbines! Funding for change'	39		DG13	Community	Rugby Club	Community	
'Signposted trails'			DG13	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions	
'Mountain bike trails - see Innerleithen'			DG13	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions	
'Trained mountain bike leaders'				Employment		Economic purpose	
'More public art!'	24		DG13 OAG	Culture		Tourism/attractions	
'Moorland visitor centre'	33		DG13	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions	
'Music festival'	46		G12	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions	We have opted to include this as we feel the tourist input is important [JR]
'Signposted running routes'	43		DG13 OOL	Entertainment	Whita Hill	Tourism/attractions	
'I think there should be a skate park and a local climbing centre'	11		DG13	Entertainment		Community	
'A giant football or rugby pitch'	11		DG13 OOL	Entertainment		Community	
'Come and play golf here -it's great!'	42		DG13 OAX	Entertainment		Community	
'Reinstate the old haw path an old drover's road which has been obstructed by wire fences and walls'			DG13 OAR	Entertainment		Community	

'Running routes signposted for visitors'			DG13 OAR	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions	
'Allotments'	33		DG13	Community	Townfoot	Community/land use	
'The sport centre could be an ideal project to kick things off! Show people what can be done'			DG13	Entertainment		Community	
'Recycling plant/facilities'	56		DG13 OAJ	Employment		Economic purpose/ community	
'Car/coach parking'	33		DG13	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions	
'Free enterprise park for new start businesses (fully serviced)'			DG13	Employment	EWM and Buccleuch Mill	Economic purpose	
'Heritage centre'			DG13	Entertainment		Tourism/attractions	
'Support community organisations to thrive! They are providing the most impact with the least resources'	24		DG13 OAG	Community		Community/ citizenship	
'Inclusive and participatory arts opportunities'	24		DG13 OAG	Culture		Community	

OUTPOST ARTS	HIGH STREET TAKEOVER		FACILITATOR	RORY LAYCOCK	TOTAL PARTICIPANTS	10			
EVENT:	IN YOUR OWN WORDS		OVERVIEW		Participants are asked to write a postcard to Langholm about their thoughts				
RESPONSE	AGE		POSTCODE	PP CATEGORY	SURF CATEGORY				
"A beautiful place to grow up"	35			Community	Community				
"I love the saying 'a day out of Langholm is a day wasted'"	40			Community	Community				
"Langholm is the hidden jewel of Dumfries and Galloway but loses out due to its geographical location (too far east). The town has much to offer - beautiful scenery, beautiful walks, beautiful people. The last 20 - 25 years have seen the loss of industry and now we should exploit what we have. Not just the walks etc but the 500+ years of bloody history; exploit that and bring in the tourists. What happened to the EWM heritage centre? Langholm history is steeped with all the Border Reiver names: Bells, Irvings, Scotts, Johnstones, Elliotts, etc. These names have migrated across the world; let's give them something to come back to"	47			Entertainment/ Employment	Tourism/ attractions/ economic purpose				
"My two sons are growing up in Langholm and I think they are very lucky to belong here"	42			Community	Community				
"Bring back the traditional skills. Hand weaving, darning. Pass them onto the younger generations."	63			Education	Economic purpose				
"An amazing place to plant your feet - pine needled paths, oak-leaved muddy walks, dip your toes in the river and watch mergansers and dippers dive and dip. Rest your body and mind."				Community	Community				
"Please invest in and support the amazing grassroots organisations delivering real impact and change. Langholm Initiative, OutPost Arts, XCEL, MTAF etc."	24		DG13 0AG	Community	Community/ citizenship				
"Your dog will just love the variety of walks, muddy holes and gullies, rivers to wash and swim in"	38			Community	Community/land use				
"I have visited the Muckle Toon all my life as my dad is from here. I love Langholm and hope there is a regeneration so that everyone can enjoy it for generations to come - from Glasgow."	46		G12	Community	Community/tourism				

OUTPOST ARTS	HIGH STREET TAKEOVER		FACILITATOR	SIÂN BLACKBURN	
EVENT:	REMAPPING LANGHOLM		TOTAL PARTICIPANTS		13
RESPONSE	AREA	PP CATEGORY	SURF CATEGORY	DEMOGRAPHY	
Art and sculpture trail	Castleholm	Culture	Tourism and attractions	Ages	Postcodes
Live music spaces		Culture/entertainment	Tourism and attractions	10	DG13 0DZ
Train station	A7	Movement	Transport	24	DG13 0AG
Water sports - rafting/kayaking	Kiln Green	Entertainment	Tourism and attractions	24	DG13 0PB
Café		Employment	Tourism and attractions	28	DG13 0DS
Markets		?	Tourism and attractions	28	DG13 0DU
Things for younger people at the Buccleuch Centre	Buccleuch Centre	Culture	Tourism and attractions	31	DG13 0NQ
Feeder education to local industry	Former primary school	Education	Economic purpose	33	DG13 0NQ
Dance/theatre school		Education	Economic purpose	36	DG13 0DW
Outward Bound centre		Education	Tourism and attractions	37	DG13 0DZ
Community owned development		Community	Economic purpose	40	DG13 0DY
Develop Reid and Taylor's site as several units, e.g., cafes, shops, galleries	Reid & Taylor's	Employment? Culture?	Tourism and attractions	42	DG13 0AX
Older buildings could be developed into workshop spaces, areas that could be used for education/businesses to hold workshops		Employment Education	Economic purpose Land/property use	56	DG13 0JW
Peaceful idyllic space for redevelopment	High Street	Community	Tourism and attractions	64	DG13 0DZ
Vintage charity shop		Employment	Land/property use		
Pop up restaurant		Employment?	Land/property use		
High end antique shop		Employment	Tourism and attractions		
Better presented pop-up shop and flexible spaces in the high street		Community	Land/property use		
Modern fit for purpose galleries		Culture	Tourism and attractions		
Modern fit for purpose pop up shops and spaces - current ones are shabby!		Community	Land/property use		
Affordable spaces for business		Employment	Land/property use		
Book shop		Employment	Tourism and attractions		
More bus links		Movement	Transport		
Post office lack of hours		Community	Community		
Parking		Movement	Land/property use		
Restaurants		Employment	Land/property use Tourism and attractions		
New E&L should be an art space		Culture	Land/property use		
A deli		Employment	Land/property use		
Vintage festival		Culture	Economic purpose		

Waterside to school - cycle path for children to bike to school		Movement	Transport/ infrastructure
A heritage centre		Employment	Land/property use Tourism and attractions
Street food market (Buck yard)		Culture/employment?	Economic purpose Tourism and attractions
Business and property owners must be held accountable for the state of their buildings		Community	Community Land/property use
(to above) very much agree		Community	Community Land/property use
Knock down town hall (parking, public space)		Community	Land/property use Infrastructure
Bars rather than pubs		Culture/employment?	Land/property use Tourism and attractions
More investments in existing shops and buildings		Employment	Property/land use
Community Gardens		Community	Property/land use Community
Could community gardens include school groups visiting with café using produce?	Ford Mill	Community	Property/land use Community
Sensory gardens		Community	Property/land use Community
Art School		Education	Economic purpose
Improve park facilities	Buccleuch Park	Community	Land use
Mountain bike trails		Sustainability	Land use/tourism and attractions
Support our amazing community organisations to thrive - development begins at the grassroots		Community	Community
EWM closure		Community	Land/property use Community
Recycling plant	EWM and Buccleuch Mill	Employment	Land/property use Economic purpose
Shopping mall		Employment	Economic purpose
Youth centre		Community	Community
Skate park		Community	Land use
Climbing wall		Community	Tourism and attractions
Play/family activities		Community	Community / Tourism and attractions
Swimming pool		Community/employment	Tourism and attractions
Distillery/heritage		Employment	Tourism and attractions
Train station	Townfoot	Movement	Transport
River beach huts		Housing?	Tourism and attractions \ land use
Can't get to other D&G towns - affects employment and education		Movement	Transport
Mountain bike trails		Sustainability	Tourism and attractions / land use
Horse riders need to be accountable and responsible for damage to paths and trails, maintenance etc		Community	Land use / community

Mountain bike trails			Sustainability	Tourism and attractions / land use
Horse riders need to be accountable and responsible for damage to paths and trails, maintenance etc		Whita Hill	Community	Land use / community
Waymarked horse riding trails			Community	Tourism and attractions/ land use
Series of trails: histroy, ghost walks, arts, cycle trails			Entertainment? Employment?	Tourism and attractions
Arts trails			Culture	Tourism and attractions
Langholm Walks			Sustainability	Tourism and attractions
Better presented online presence marketing Langholm's activities and amenities			Employment	Tourism and attractions
Thomas telford memorial museum			Culture	Tourism and attractions
Environmental art			Culture	Tourism and attractions
Bothy			Employment	Tourism and attractions
Wild Eskdale (tourism)			Employment	Tourism and attractions
Zip wire at monument		General comments	Community	Land use
Doggy island			Community	Land use?
Bird hide			Community	Land use
Glen Tarras road closure			Community	Community / Citizenship
Kayaking			Sustainability	Tourism and attractions
Gilnockie Tower			Employment	Tourism and attractions
Heritage trail			Cultyre	Tourism and attractions
Walking/fishing tourism			Sustainability	Tourism and attractions



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