

LOCHGILPHEAD FRONT GREEN

Public Consultation 24th August 2019

Feedback and Findings



HEADLINE FIGURES



people of all ages, from
Lochgilphead and the
surrounding communities,
attended the event

283

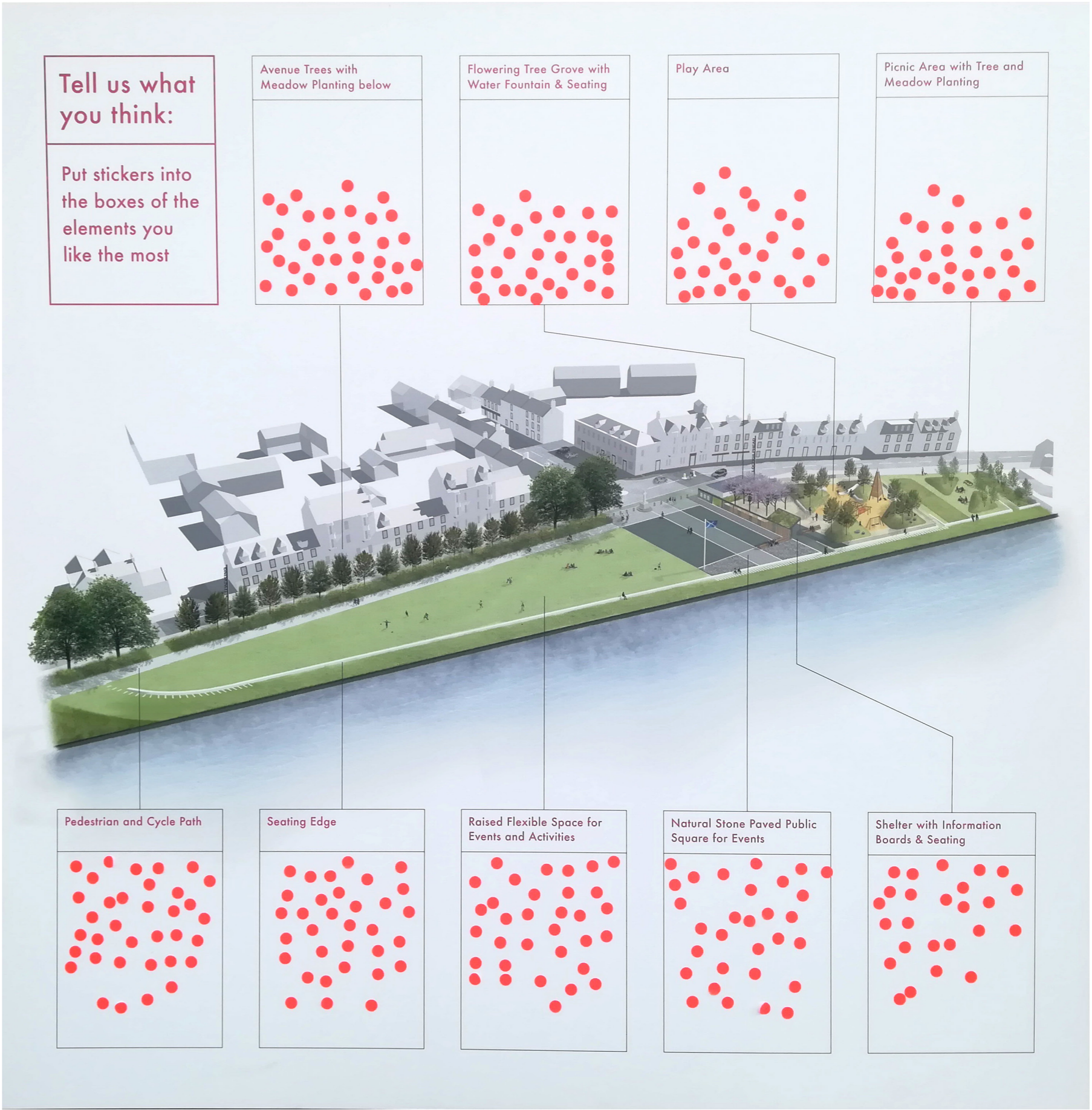
sticker 'votes' cast on
the design elements

9

responses received through
email and the online survey

WHAT ELEMENTS DO YOU LIKE THE MOST?

All nine design elements were equally well received, with between 28 - 35 sticker ‘votes’ cast for each element.



SPECIFIC COMMENTS

This third consultation event was designed as an opportunity to present the final designs to the local community. The aim was to share the design, rather than to gather feedback to further develop the proposals. The two previous consultations provided us with over 500 comments with which to steer the design. Whilst at this event we didn't ask for comments, a small handful of people had specific concerns or comments that they wanted to share. These can all be found below:

"I particularly like the play area for the children. The proposal looks fantastic and will completely transform the area. For tourists driving through - this should encourage them to stop and visit as long as parking is readily available and well sign posted."

"The inclusion of the square and the front green is key. The hard standing area is perfect and what is needed. I truly hope this will go ahead."

"I like that you are retaining the flag post in the centre. I like the more natural play area. I like the paved area for special events which will prevent the grass being turned into mud. However, given that the prevailing weather is from the south the proposed "shelter" won't actually give much shelter for tourists to read the information boards."



SPECIFIC CONCERNS

“I dislike strongly the idea of evergreen trees blocking the views for the residents along the full length of Poltalloch street. *Pinus sylvestris* is inappropriate and will create an impenetrable hedge-like wall, especially in winter when sunlight is at a premium. Open deciduous plantings of the type already present are much more cheery. Scots Pine are also not amenable to ongoing pruning (except at trunk) and will become scraggy when not planted in a forest-like proximity. Their leaves are acidic and will suppress the proposed ‘meadow-grass’ understory plantings, leaving bare earth for the dogs to dig up and poop in. Rethink this aspect please.”

“Regarding trees I feel the view as you approach Lochgilphead will be trees hidings the lower half of the buildings and probably blocking the great view down the Loch for residents.”

Are the bollards to the new public square removable for vehicle access for events?

The play park fence should go the full way around

Move the flag so it is in line with the war memorial

Move war memorial to the sea end of the new public square so there is space in front of it for events

Realign paving detail so it runs in alignment with the war memorial



