

East Quay Work Foundry

YOUR THOUGHTS



EAST QUAY FOUNDRY REGENERATION



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process

2nd Nov - 3rd Dec

Main consultation period, with 10 workshops and 8 drop in sessions. However feedback continues as on-going

March 2017

Public meeting to present plans and feedback on consultation

April 2017

Submit to planning

our statistics



18

workshops
and drop In
Sessions



321

people engaged in
conversation



262

points raised and
discussed

methodology

This consultation focusses on the importance of conversation. Talking through ideas and observations, and finding resolutions collectively.

We held 10 workshops of around 20 people each. We presented our ideas and then spent time discussing, debating and thinking through possibilities.

We then held 8 drop-in sessions, for a more one to one conversation, and again recorded what was said.

Here are some of the responses:





overall impressions

- My gut reaction is excitement
- Grounded yet poetic
- Iconic structure is important
- This is a game changer
- Love the opportunities for tourism
- Very exciting!
- Innovative, exciting and sympathetic
- This gives back to the community

- Worried about the containers
- You can't please all the people all of the time
- Don't want it too Arty farty
- Great for Watchet
- Containers an eyesore
- It's very good, good luck!
- It looks very ambitious
- Worried about maintenance

- Paper making and fossil lab great for visitors
- Big attraction for destination visitors
- Will attract further business investment in Watchet
- Like that design does not emulate the past but provides a good quality future

sustainability

- How do you ensure long term sustainability?
- Local business so important
- Learn lessons of Washford Mill
- What if Onion fold?
- Where will everyone park?

- Could be high maintenance because complicated design
- Durability of materials is vital
- Flat roofs concern, leaks
- Pigeon droppings causing decay
- Stability of ground?

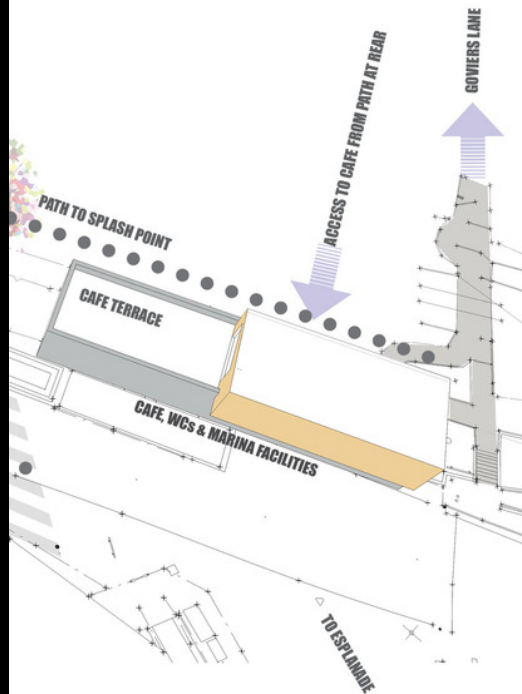
- Will only work if the marina works
- Mud problem is connected
- Needs to support, not detract from local businesses

ideas

- Bike hire on site to promote cycle trails
 - Camera Obscura at top of tower
 - Paint, clad containers
 - Living roofs
 - Fish smokehouse
 - Bring back 'fair breeze blew' quote
- Explore sharing energy with marina
 - Generate own wind energy
 - Interesting places to sit, not just benches
- Great opportunities for education, link with Nettlecombe
 - Lighting along rope walk to lead people in
 - Undercover market space

restaurant

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CAFE AND MARINA FACILITIES

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restaurant

- Should specialise in local food
- Oysters from Porlock!
- Needs to provide different offer from what already here
- Looks very dark, should be light and seaside!
- Love the design

- Worried about take away hatch competing with other cafes
- Shouldn't be in competition with local businesses
- Small businesses can only suffer for a year

- Employ local people
- No Starbucks or big commercial chain
- Like the big windows!

tower

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Footpath Level

Marina Level

EAST QUAY LOOKOUT

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tower

- Tower not right in location
- Could be the most contentious
- Don't understand the tower
- Learn the lessons of Redcot
- Very exciting
- Timber and salt don't mix
- Don't like the tower

- Accessibility to tower important
- Accessible platforms must have views, need to see Wales
- Camera Obscura or telescope on top?
- How about a tower design workshop
- Too controversial
- What will the foundations be?

- Wonderful idea
- Too arty farty, too feminine
- Schools tower project
- It looks too dangerous
- I don't understand it
- Growing to like Splash Point, but an arty structure in centre of town is too much

landscape

- Green landscaping to soften and integrate
- Use landscaping to help flow of visitors
- Important to consider disability access
- What parking?
- Space inbetween as important as buildings

- Landscaping will make or break the development
- Needs outdoor performance area
- Use foliage to mitigate sound
- Need low maintenance planting
- Use landscape to attract people to restaurant and gallery
- What surfaces?

- Plants make it a space you want to be in
- How will you improve footpath behind?
- Outdoor lighting is important
- Need to control vehicle access

Version 1



Version 2



We asked, which version do you prefer?

87%

13%



You also asked LOTS of questions,
which we have been finding the
answers to.

To download our Q&A sheet

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