

Birmingham City Council
Draft Edgbaston Reservoir Masterplan SPD
Consultation Summary

Introduction and purpose of the Consultation Statement

Birmingham City Council consulted on the Draft Edgbaston Masterplan Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) from 3rd May to the 26th July 2019. This statement sets out the engagement strategy, describes the level and type of responses received, the main issues raised and how they have been addressed in the redrafted masterplan. The statement has been prepared in accordance with Birmingham Statement of Community Involvement (SCI).

Consultation frontloading engagement

The Draft Masterplan SPD has been subject to detailed and continuous engagement. Early engagement (frontloading) with key stakeholders between October 2018 and February 2019 informed the preparation of the document.

Stakeholders engaged include:

- Midlands Sailing Club;
- Birmingham Rowing and Canoe Club;
- TS Vernon Sea Cadets;
- The Friends of Edgbaston Reservoir Group;
- Birmingham Settlement;
- Sport England;
- The Canal & River Trust;
- Unlock Social and Economic Innovation Together (USE-IT);
- Ward Members for Ladywood and North Edgbaston; and
- Wider involvement with stakeholders through initial master-planning work undertaken by consultants in 2016.

Officers also attended a community-run event (Neighbour Night) to meet the local community and explain the draft engagement strategy for the Draft Masterplan SPD and receive feedback.

During the production of the Draft Masterplan SPD an Edgbaston Reservoir Masterplan Steering Group was set up. The group consists of the Birmingham Parks and Planning Department as well as the Canal & River Trust and Sport England due to their role in land ownership and delivery. The group meets regularly to shape the masterplan and will continue to work together to deliver the masterplan vision.

Formal Public Consultation

A public consultation that built on the frontloading discussions was held from 3rd May to 26th July 2019. The consultation was originally planned for six but was extended to twelve weeks following a request by a Local Councillor due to the level of interest in the plan. The consultation followed the principles set out in the Birmingham Statement of Community Involvement (SCI). Consultation materials consisted of:

- Online questionnaire on Be Heard;
- Notification letter /email sent to consultation database;
- Posters around the reservoir and libraries that set out how to access the plan, the details of consultation events, and the lead planning officer's contact details;
- Frequently Asked Questions;
- PowerPoint presentation slides from ward meeting presentations on website;
- Pull-up banners used at drop-in events and ward meetings
- Press release and social media posts signposting the public to the consultation material

Paper copies of the Draft Masterplan SPD and questionnaire were available at the following locations:

- The Library of Birmingham
- Spring Hill Library
- Lancaster Circus

Members of the public and other stakeholders were able to respond to the consultation via the online questionnaire, email or letter. Printed copied of the document and a response form were also made available on request.

A variety of events were held during the consultation period at a range of times including evenings and weekends. At each event contact slips were available for the public to take away. These set out details of how to contact the planning team and the masterplan website. Each event, its purpose, engagement methodologies used, and key outcomes is set out in the table below.

Event:	Purpose:	Methodologies used:	Summary of discussions:
North Edgbaston and Ladywood Ward Meetings (9 th and 14 th May)	Share information and encourage the local community to read and comment on the Draft Masterplan SPD.	Planning officers presented the vision and key themes of the Draft Masterplan SPD and answered questions.	Several issues were raised and discussed, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Importance of natural environment, open space and Local Nature Reserve• Concern re proposal to relocate the existing water sport clubs• Concerns regarding anti-social behaviour• Request for more detail in the masterplan• Fluctuating water levels need to be acknowledged

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Importance of community engagement • Concern over housing provision • Car parking and the impact of the Clean Air Zone • Concern increased numbers will have a negative impact on the Local Nature Reserve • Requests more detail regarding future management and maintenance
Drop-in sessions at Reservoir Lodge (Saturday 11th May and 1st June)	Share information and instigate discussions with the local community regarding the reservoir and encourage the community to read and formally comment on the Draft Masterplan SPD.	<p>Officers explained the vision and key themes of the Draft Masterplan SPD and answered questions. Two exercises were available for the public to partake in including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Priority exercise of writing key issues that are more or less important in relation to the reservoir 2. Commenting using post-it notes on an aerial photograph of the reservoir 	<p>A summary of exercise one has been included in Appendix A of this document.</p> <p>Themes that emerged from exercise two included the need to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retain Osler Street Park • Manage car parking • Improve footpaths and canal towpaths • Protect the tranquil natural environment
Neighbour Night at Summerfield Memorial Hall (3 rd July)	Share information and encourage the local community to read and comment on the Draft Masterplan SPD.	Planning officers attended a community-run 'Neighbour Night' to answer questions from the local community and encourage people to formally respond to the consultation.	<p>Several issues were raised and discussed, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The aims and objectives of the masterplan; • The council's approach to consultation; and • The environmental assessments undertaken for the masterplan
Community 'Eat, Make, Play' event at The Playing Field (13 th July)	Share information and encourage the local community to read and comment on the Draft	<p>Planning officers ran a stall to provide information and instigate discussion around the Draft Masterplan SPD. This included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided written and verbal 	<p>Several issues were raised and discussed, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The importance of Osler Street Park • Concern over housing provision • The importance of protecting the natural environment

	Masterplan SPD.	<p>summaries of the vision for each of the big moves in the plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asked if people agreed with each of the visions, and if they didn't, why they didn't. • Children had the opportunity to draw a picture depicting what they would like to see at the reservoir. • Officers were available to answer questions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design of future development at the Tower Ballroom site • The need to ensure the reservoir remains accessible for all
Interactive session with a Local Scouts Group (15 th July)	Obtain views from young people on the reservoir and what they would like to see there.	<p>A variety of activities were undertaken including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playing games to choose the best thing about the reservoir and what they'd like to see improved the most; • Using an aerial map and printed symbol to suggest where uses and activities should be around the reservoir including tree planting, rubbish bins, benches, and housing; and • Using play dough and drawing to design a scheme on the former Tower Ballroom site. 	<p>The main themes of activities included the need to provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe spaces • Family-friendly activities • Healthy spaces • Activities for children including assault course, football pitch and play area for young children • Homes • Café • Information centre • Education about wildlife and nature • Benches

MELA Workshop

Part-way through the consultation, an engagement workshop was held by a social enterprise MELA coordinated by members of the local community. Planning officers attended the workshop although it was external to the council's consultation. The aim of the event was to provide an opportunity for people to come together, discover more about the Draft Masterplan SPD and further test ideas, thoughts and concepts to inform the revised masterplan.

MELA submitted a community-led review of the masterplan as a formal representation to the council's consultation. The conclusions from the community-led review have been incorporated into the table of responses in Appendix B.

Key findings from the formal consultation

Approximately 420 representations were submitted to the consultation. A summary of the representations received during the consultation from responses to the Be Heard questionnaire and letters and emails received are summarised in a table in Appendix B. This is a summary table of the main points received during the formal consultation period.

Organisations as well as individuals responded to the consultation. These include but are not limited to:

- Midland Sailing Club
- Birmingham Rowing Club
- The Canal & River Trust
- Sport England
- Worcester Birmingham And Droitwich Canals Society
- Historic England
- National Gird
- Natural England
- Urban Splash and Places for People
- The Environment Agency
- Inland Waterways Association
- Lapal Canal Trust
- Marine Society and Sea Cadets
- Birmingham Settlement
- Midland Mencap
- Royal Yachting Association
- Royal Life Saving Society
- West Midlands Police
- West Midland Trains
- The Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Trust
- The Scout Association for Birmingham
- Bearwood and Hagley Road Business Association

- North Edgbaston Residents Action Group
- Friends of Edgbaston Reservoir
- MAL Explosive Ordnance Disposal LTD
- Crime Commissioner West Midlands Police
- Anglers society
- Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council – Public Health
- Severn Trent

During the consultation period a petition '**Please save Osler Street Park**' and question to Full Council was submitted. It was also submitted as a formal representation to the consultation. It requested the council remove the proposal to build on Osler Street Park from the Draft Masterplan SPD. The petition consisted of 132 forms completed by children (or parents/guardians of children) aged one to sixteen from 29 schools. Approximately 58% of the responses state they visit the park three or more times a week. The reasons stated for wanting to retain the park include the fact the park is:

- A place to meet new people and socialise with friends and neighbours
- Memories made at the park
- Calm and green setting
- A place to exercise and play
- Feels safe and has a good layout

A **Community Consortium** formed in response to the public consultation and submitted a community-led 'alternative' vision for the reservoir as a formal representation. The consortium represents a wide range of community and user-group interests including:

- Friends of Edgbaston Reservoir;
- Birmingham Settlement;
- Midland Sailing Club;
- Artscoop Central;
- Companions for Hope;
- Link Road Neighbourhood Watch;
- Selwyn and Wheatsheaf Road Residents Associations;
- Summerfield Residents Associations; and
- North Edgbaston Residents Associations.

The alternative plan set out a vision and several proposals including:

- The creation of a heritage and eco-centre on the former Tower Ballroom site;
- Strengthen the ecosystem around the reservoir;
- The creation of a green walkway around the reservoir with trees along the path to extend to both ends of the dam;
- Improved entrance to the former Tower Ballroom site with tree planting and informal landscape;
- Enable the three existing water users to remain in their current location and be supported;

- Retain Osler Street Park and better connect it to the reservoir;
- Strengthen connections between the reservoir and wider green network and to the Port Loop development;
- Improve pedestrian paths and entrances; and
- Ensure the reservoir is recognised as an important piece of natural infrastructure.

The alternative plan can be found at Appendix C.

Continuous engagement

After the consultation period had closed, following requests for us to work more closely with the community and water sport clubs, the council decided to set up a Community Partnership Forum with representatives of the Community Consortium who submitted an alternative plan. The purpose of the forum is to enable the council to work with the community to better align the vision of the Draft Masterplan SPD with the vision of the alternative plan.

Members of the forum comprise both council officers (mainly from the Planning and Parks departments), and an individual to represent the following organisations:

- Friends of Edgbaston Reservoir;
- Midland Sailing Club;
- TS Vernon Sea Cadets;
- Birmingham Rowing Club;
- Birmingham Settlement;
- Artscoop Central;
- Eat Make Play;
- Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Committee; and
- Save Osler Street Park Campaign

A Terms of Reference was set written and agreed by members of the forum. It sets out the membership of the forum and was updated in June 2020 to reflect the new approach to working due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Five forum meetings were held in person between 8th January and 6th February 2020, these covered the following topics:

- Launch and masterplan vision;
- Community Principles;
- Tower Ballroom site discussion with urban design officers;
- Connectivity with transport planners; and
- Natural Parkland with ecology officer and representative from the Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Trust

The forum methodology was amended in light of the Covid-19 pandemic. As members of the forum were unable to meet in person, the meetings were moved online, and community members of the forum commented on and redrafted parts of the masterplan over the course of several months.

Planning officers were the ultimate pen holder but worked closely with community members to reflect their additions and opinions and seek compromise where possible. Five meetings were held online using zoom to discuss masterplan content, one meeting was used to explain and discuss financial viability.

Outcomes of the Consultation

The main revisions to the Draft Masterplan SPD as a result of the consultation representations and the subsequent engagement with the Community Partnership Forum are:

- The proposal to build on Osler Street Park has been removed. The draft masterplan now aims to enhance the open space and play facilities as an important element of the vision for the reservoir.
- The redrafted masterplan now includes the 'Community Principles' put forward by the community members of the Community Partnership Forum. These aim to ensure future development benefits both people and the environment.
- Further information has been added detailing how the natural environment will be protected and enhanced. This includes a development principle covering Sustainability. Information from the revised Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan (2021) that has been produced to support the masterplan process has also been included.
- The suggested proposal to relocate the existing water users (sailing and rowing club), into a new or a combined facility has been removed following detailed discussions with the clubs regarding their preferences and the practicalities of relocation. The redrafted masterplan now includes proposals for the facilities to be improved in their existing locations. It also includes references to support the clubs and their community outreach work.
- Further details have been added to all the opportunities in relation to design, sustainability and green infrastructure to ensure any development reflects and protects the Local Nature Reserve setting of the reservoir.
- Additions have been made to better-reflect the opportunities for community and leisure activity at the reservoir. This includes the potential for community, commercial and leisure uses on the ground floor of the Tower Ballroom site, the use of Reservoir Lodge for community activities and the role of the Selwyn Playing Field.

Further details on how the consultation undertaken has informed the revised version of masterplan SPD area available in the table set out in Appendix B of this document.

Conclusion

Significant changes have been made to the proposals in the redrafted masterplan as a result of public consultation representations received and the Community Partnership Forum. A second round of focussed public consultation is therefore now required. This will enable the wider community (beyond those represented in the Community Partnership Forum), to make representations on the redrafted plan.

Appendix A: Results from priority exercise at drop-in events

Category	Less important	More important	Do not want
New types of sport and leisure	1	5	4
Events	2		1
Play facilities		11	
Tolkien Walk	2	1	1
Connections to the city centre	2	5	
Secure parking away from the waters' edge	1	11	4
Public art	1	3	
Educational training space	3	3	
Reservoir View	3	5	1
Improved entrances	2	3	
Café/restaurant	4	4	1
Connections to Port Loop	2	2	
Opportunities to view wildlife (bird hides)	5	1	
Improved cycling facilities	3	5	
Improving the pathway	4	6	
Future of the Tower Ballroom site	3	5	3
Picnic areas		7	
Affordable homes		1	4
Protecting and enhancing wildlife		19	
Changing facilities		1	
Public toilets		2	
Connections to open spaces		3	
Community facilities		11	
Housing/apartments		1	12
Protecting heritage		7	
Additional comments provided at the events			
Development on Osler Park			23
Zip wire			4
Improve security at the reservoir		1	
More bins		6	
Commercial uses at the ground floor of Tower Ballroom development		1	
Restricted access to waterfront			1
Improved safety and security		7	
Improve management of the site		3	
Encourage clean travel		1	
Activities should be low cost and accessible		3	
Outdoor gym equipment		2	
Provision of green space		2	
Beach area		1	
Do not make any changes to the reservoir		5	
On site warden/ranger		7	
Maintain tranquil feel		8	
Disabled car parking and access		2	
Additional cars			4

Parking provision for residents		3	
Free car parking		1	
Traffic calming measures in the surrounding area		3	
Parking permit charges for local residents			1
Do not demolish the Tower Ballroom building – incorporate it into the new development		1	
Keep water level high		1	1
Signs for visitors to control their dogs		1	
Water fountains		2	
Nature walking trails		1	
Allotments		1	
Ensure long-term funding is available to repair facilities		1	
Sensitive development design		3	
Bars selling alcohol			1
High rise blocks			2
Increased pollution			1
Shopping opportunities			1
Disruption to visitors due to path improvements			1
Changes to the dam wall			1
Concrete and tarmac			1
Additional buildings diminishing green space			1
Improved drainage around the path		1	
Only want light touch improvements		1	

Appendix B: Edgbaston Reservoir Masterplan Consultation Summary

This table provides a summary of the formal responses received during the consultation period. It is structured around the sections in the previous draft masterplan.

Context and Vision

Consultee	Overview of responses received during consultation:	How changes to the SPD respond to responses where possible:	Proposed Changes to SPD
62 individuals	General support for the vision.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
2 individuals	Support for the vision as it recognises the value in the biodiversity and ecology of the reservoir as well as it's underuse as a green space for the city.	Support welcomed. The masterplan has been further strengthened to ensure the role of biodiversity and ecology is recognised and enhanced through the implementation of the opportunities.	No changes required.
23 individuals	Support for the idea of the reservoir becoming more of a destination with facilities for families such as café, picnic areas, toilets, water sports etc.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
1 individual	Support housing proposals on the Tower Ballroom.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
13 individuals	Support for the role of the historic assets in the plan through Tolkien Walk.	Support welcomed. This proposal has been developed further to include other elements of the reservoir character that should be celebrated, such as social history and nature.	No changes required.
Individual	Support for the development of Tower Ballroom and suggestions that this should be a landmark building.	Support welcomed. Further details have been added around the design, scale and massing for former Tower Ballroom site.	No changes required.

5 individuals	Support for the proposed uses and increased activity as this will help make the reservoir safer and more attractive.	Support welcomed. The connection between activity and safety has been made clear in the masterplan.	No changes required.
9 Individuals	Support for the proposed increased connectivity with the canal.	Support welcomed. Connectivity is a key theme in the masterplan and has been enhanced further.	No changes required.
18 individuals	Support for the improved walkway around the reservoir.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
16 individuals	Support for the vision and uses proposed but concerned about the conflict between increased leisure and the natural environment.	Support welcomed. The masterplan has been strengthened to further clarify that the increased activity will be in keeping with the character of the reservoir and the natural environment. Further details have been included under all the opportunities to explain how they will be in keeping with and enhance the reservoir setting. Additional information has been included on how the natural environment can be protected and enhanced, this has been informed by the revised Local Nature Reserve Management Plan.	The masterplan has been strengthened to further clarify that the increased activity will be in keeping with the character of the reservoir and the natural environment. Further details have been included under all the opportunities to explain how they will be in keeping with and enhance the reservoir setting. Additional information has been included on how the natural environment can be protected and enhanced, this has been informed by the revised Local Nature Reserve Management Plan.
5 individuals	Support the development for leisure uses and community uses but against housing.	Comments noted. The Tower Ballroom is a brownfield (previously developed) site that is allocated for housing development in the Birmingham Development Plan. The purpose of this masterplan is to ensure the site is developed for housing, along with other uses that will complement the water	No changes required.

		setting and provide facilities for all the community while protecting the natural environment.	
8 individuals	Don't support the plan (no reason given).	Comments noted.	No changes required.
98 individuals	Don't support the vision as the reservoir should be left as it is. The reservoir should be protected as a location for a gentle walk and a space for nature rather than promoted as a destination.	The Tower Ballroom is a brownfield (previously developed) site that is allocated for development in the Birmingham Development Plan, this masterplan provides information on how this site and other opportunities will be delivered in order to protect and enhance the reservoir. The masterplan recognises the importance of being able to walk around the reservoir and this was captured through the Promenade Loop Big Move in the previous draft masterplan. This is now called Reservoir Walkway. The masterplan has been amended to include further references to the role of the reservoir as somewhere to enjoy nature and the calm water setting. The masterplan has also been strengthened to further clarify that increased activity will be in keeping with the character of the reservoir and the natural environment.	The masterplan has been amended to include further references to the role of the reservoir as somewhere to enjoy nature and the calm water setting. The masterplan has also been strengthened to further clarify that increased activity will be in keeping with the character of the reservoir and the natural environment.
17 individuals	Don't support the plan as there is a direct conflict in the vision between making it a destination with	The masterplan focuses activity at the existing brownfield (previously developed) sites. It also protects the character of the natural area which	The masterplan has been strengthened to further clarify this approach and to state that increased activity will be in keeping with the

	increased activity and maintaining the quiet nature of the reservoir.	surrounds the reservoir. This is considered sufficient to provide a balance between increased activity and the creation of spaces to enjoy nature in a calm setting. The masterplan has been strengthened to further clarify this approach and to state that increased activity will be in keeping with the character of the reservoir and the natural environment.	character of the reservoir and the natural environment.
14 individuals	Don't support the vision as the reservoir is busy enough and cannot accommodate any further people or activities without impacting on the natural environment.	The Tower Ballroom is a brownfield (previously developed) site that is allocated for housing development in the Birmingham Development Plan. The purpose of this masterplan is to ensure the site is developed in a way that enhances and protects the existing assets, whilst delivering homes and increased activity that is accessible to all. The masterplan has been strengthened to further clarify that increased activity will be in keeping with the character of the reservoir and the natural environment. The redrafted masterplan has been developed in discussion with the Wildlife Trust and the council's ecologist to ensure the proposals would not have a detrimental impact on the natural environment. A new Development Principle on 'Sustainability' has been included in the masterplan to directly draw out the ways in which all	The masterplan has been strengthened to further clarify that increased activity will be in keeping with the character of the reservoir and the natural environment. A new Development Principle on 'Sustainability' has been included in the masterplan to directly draw out the ways in which all opportunities will enhance the natural environment.

		opportunities will enhance the natural environment.	
4 individuals	Don't support the vision as it lacks ambition and should be encouraging further development and activity.	The site is a Local Nature Reserve and a balance is needed between the scale of new development and the impact on the natural environment. The masterplan has been strengthened to include further details to ensure all opportunities are realised.	The masterplan has been strengthened to include further details to ensure all opportunities are realised.
20 individuals	Don't support the vision as the plan includes a proposal to build on Osler Street Park.	The masterplan no longer proposes to develop on Osler Street Park. The masterplan has been amended to protect the park and provide details on how the park will be better integrated into the reservoir to provide a safe play space. The revised masterplan does not propose to build on any areas designated as open space and focusses development on recognised brownfield (previously developed) sites.	The masterplan no longer proposes to develop on Osler Street Park. The masterplan has been amended to protect the park and provide details on how the park will be better integrated into the reservoir to provide a safe play space.
57 individuals	Don't support the vision as the proposals for the Tower Ballroom and housing at the site will have a negative impact on the reservoir, its character, nature and the views.	The Tower Ballroom is a brownfield (previously developed) site that is allocated for housing development in the Birmingham Development Plan. The masterplan is not proposing to build on designated green spaces and there is no loss of open space within the reservoir as a result of the proposals. The purpose of the masterplan is to ensure the site is developed in a way that enhances and protects the existing assets, whilst	The masterplan has been strengthened to further clarify how the design of the Tower Ballroom and the uses within it will ensure that it enhances the reservoir and Local Nature Reserve. A new Development Principle on 'Sustainability' has been included to directly draw out the ways in which all opportunities will enhance the natural environment.

		delivering homes and increased activity that is accessible to all. The masterplan has been strengthened to further clarify how the design of the Tower Ballroom and the uses within it will ensure that it enhances the reservoir and Local Nature Reserve. A new Development Principle on 'Sustainability' has been included to directly draw out the ways in which all opportunities will enhance the natural environment.	
23 individuals	Don't support and question the motives / benefits of the plan when there is poor standard housing, homelessness and a lack of other social infrastructure. Concerns about gentrification of the area and the Ladywood community not benefiting from the proposals.	The Tower Ballroom is a brownfield (previously developed) site that is allocated for housing development in the Birmingham Development Plan. The purpose of the masterplan is to ensure the site is developed in a way that enhances and protects the existing assets, whilst delivering homes and increased activity that is accessible to all. The Tower Ballroom is currently not in use and poses a security risk. Bringing the site forward for a mix of housing and other uses that will benefit the community is considered fundamental in securing the long-term future of the reservoir and meeting the city's housing needs. The proposals have been designed to improve connectivity for all communities and to provide an improved quality of environment that everyone can enjoy. It is recognised there is a need to	It is recognised there is a need to ensure the facilities provided are accessible to all and the masterplan has been amended to place greater emphasis on this issue.

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20 individuals	Don't support and fully support the alternative plan.	Comments noted. Officers have worked with the Community Consortium who submitted the alternative plan, to better align the council's aspirations with the community.	The masterplan includes several suggested additions that are a result of working with the community – including a set of Community Principles.
19 individuals	Support for the retention of the existing water-uses in their current locations and concerns around the impact of the proposals in the plan on these clubs.	The previous version of the masterplan was deliberately flexible regarding the potential for existing clubs to relocate in acknowledgment that the approach should be led by the clubs. Since then officers have worked with all the existing water users to ensure the amended version of the masterplan reflects their aspirations for the future, including their preferred locations. This has been reflected in the masterplan, which includes positive proposals for all of the club's futures.	The masterplan has been amended to reflect the clubs preferred locations and future plans.
2 individuals	Request that the plan is focussed towards tourism with features such as a visitor centre and museum.	The masterplan aims to ensure the reservoir is accessible to all and meets the needs of local communities and visitors. The vision for Osler Place includes flexibility to allow for uses such as a visitor centre.	No changes required.
12 individuals	Request for more information / clarity in the plan before support can be given to the vision.	The masterplan has been amended to include further details on the development opportunities and how the	The masterplan has been amended to include further details on the development

		vision will be delivered. The second stage of consultation will provide an opportunity for all interested parties to comment on the additional details.	opportunities and how the vision will be delivered
5 individuals	Request for the local community and existing water users to be included in the plans.	The council has developed the revised draft of the masterplan with the community and water users. This includes endorsing their Community Principles in the document. The council will continue to foster strong relationships to ensure the sustainable future of the reservoir.	The masterplan has been updated to include Community Principles that commits to continued engagement with the community and water users.
28 individuals	Request that the ambition in the plan is scaled back and that the plan should include only small-scale improvements to facilities, use of existing buildings and path / parking improvements.	The masterplan has been strengthened to further clarify that the increased activity will be in keeping with the character of the reservoir and the natural environment. The development proposed is considered to be an appropriate level to ensure the deliverability and long-term viability of the uses, whilst ensuring there is not a negative impact on the character of the reservoir.	The masterplan has been strengthened to further clarify that the increased activity will be in keeping with the character of the reservoir and the natural environment
4 individuals	Request that plans gives greater focus on physical activity and getting people active.	This has always been a key ambition of the masterplan but further wording has been added around the role of the reservoir in health and wellbeing. The role each of the opportunities can play in supporting active living has been detailed further throughout the masterplan.	Further wording has been added around the role of the reservoir in health and wellbeing. The role each of the opportunities can play in supporting active living has been detailed further throughout the masterplan.

5 individuals	Request that the reservoir is a family space with facilities for children.	The overall vision for the masterplan has been revised to include reference to creating a space that is accessible for all and that brings communities together. The vision for Osler Place includes a focus on family-friendly environments. The increased integration of Osler Street Park will ensure the development of the site is safe for children and a space that encourages both local children and visitors to play.	The overall vision for the masterplan has been revised to include reference to creating a space that is accessible for all and that brings communities together. The vision for Osler Place includes a focus of family-friendly environments. The increased integration of Osler Street Park will ensure the development of the site is safe for children and a space that encourages both local children and visitors to play.
29 individuals	Concerns around the safety of the reservoir and anti-social behaviour.	A clear part of the vision is to ensure the reservoir is safe and accessible to all. References to creating a safe environment have been included in the masterplan. A long-term approach to the use of the existing car park that formed a focus for anti-social behaviour has been provided in the masterplan.	References to creating a safe environment have been included in the masterplan. A long-term approach to the use of the existing car park that formed a focus for anti-social behaviour has been provided in the masterplan.
24 individuals	Concerns over the proposals resulting in the reservoir not being accessible to all and local people no longer being able to enjoy the space.	A clear part of the vision is to ensure the reservoir belongs to everyone. The masterplan has been revised to strengthen this commitment further. The masterplan also has been strengthened to further clarify that the increased activity will be in keeping with the character of the reservoir and the natural environment. The masterplan includes proposals that will enhance the environment in which free activities take place at the reservoir - such as walking,	The masterplan has been revised to strengthen this commitment further. The masterplan also has been strengthened to further clarify that the increased activity will be in keeping with the character of the reservoir and the natural environment.

		cycling or simply spending time sitting outside.	
28 individuals	Concerns that the natural environment, biodiversity and beauty of the reservoir will be compromised by the proposed developments.	The masterplan has been strengthened to further clarify that the increased activity will be in keeping with the character of the reservoir and the natural environment. Further detail has been included under all the opportunities to explain how they will be in keeping and enhance the reservoir setting. Additional information has also been included on how the natural environment can be protected and enhanced. This has been informed by a revised Local Nature Reserve Management Plan.	The masterplan has been strengthened to further clarify that the increased activity will be in keeping with the character of the reservoir and the natural environment. Further detail has been included under all the opportunities to explain how they will be in keeping and enhance the reservoir setting. Additional information has also been included on how the natural environment can be protected and enhanced.
10 individuals	Concerns that the plan is not sympathetic to the historic features such as the dam wall. Requests that the historic environment should be celebrated further.	The masterplan recognises the importance of the historic character of the reservoir and looks to celebrate these through the 'Celebrating the Reservoir' opportunity. Further details have also been included on how each opportunity area will enhance the historic character of the reservoir. The masterplan has also been revised to state the structural integrity of the dam wall will need to be protected. This wording has been developed in partnership with the Canal & River Trust.	The masterplan recognises the importance of the historic character of the reservoir and looks to celebrate these through the 'Celebrating the Reservoir' opportunity. Further details have also been included on how each opportunity area will enhance the historic character of the reservoir. The masterplan has also been revised to state the structural integrity of the dam wall will need to be protected. This wording has been developed in partnership with the Canal & River Trust.
17 individuals	Concerns around how people will access the site, impact of surrounding roads, increased traffic	The masterplan takes a balanced approach towards providing some car parking to support those who have no	Further details have been added to the masterplan to explain the approach taken to car parking and access.

	and parking. Requests for further car parking. Also concerns over the lack of direct public transport links such as the location of Metro stops.	alternative way to access the site and the promotion of sustainable transport in line with the council's Transport Plan. A key theme of the masterplan is strengthening walking, cycling and public transport connections.	
22 individuals	Concerns over how the uses on the site will be managed and the over commercialisation of the reservoir.	The scale and nature of the development proposed maintains the balance between bringing further activities and facilities to the site, whilst maintaining the existing character. The masterplan is clear that any detailed development proposed should be informed by, and complementary to, the reservoir character and natural setting.	No changes required.
3 individuals	Request that appropriate weight is given to the fact the primary function of the reservoir is to provide water for the canals.	The previous draft masterplan included a reference to the purpose of the reservoir to provide water for the canal network. This has been expanded to explain the need to retain the function and the impact this has on water levels.	Further details have been added to explain the need to retain the function and the impact this has on water levels.
Individual	Request further consideration is given to the Buddhist centre and its role in the area and the feature the building provides.	The masterplan has been amended to include the Buddhist centre in the context section.	The masterplan has been amended to include the Buddhist centre in the context section.
Midland Sailing Club and Birmingham Rowing Club	Welcome the objectives of the masterplan to bring investment to the reservoir and to make it a more attractive destination for the citizens of Birmingham.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.

Natural England	<p>Suggest the masterplan makes reference to the need to provide green infrastructure within new development and incorporate features that are beneficial to wildlife. This could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • green roof systems and roof gardens • green walls to provide insulation or shading and cooling • new tree planting or altering the management of land • bird or bat box <p>Suggests the masterplan provides opportunities to enhance the character and local distinctiveness of the surrounding natural and built environment; use natural resources more sustainably; and bring benefits for the local community, for example through green infrastructure provision and access to and contact with nature.</p>	Comments noted. The masterplan provides detail on how the unique historic and environmental character of the reservoir should be protected and enhanced.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations. The masterplan has also been amended to state opportunities should also be taken to include green infrastructure within the plan boundary including the delivery of green roofs and bird and bat boxes.
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Tower Ballroom (Thomas Telford Place in previous draft masterplan – now included in Osler Park and Osler Place opportunity)

Consultee	Representation Summary	Officer Response	Proposed Changes to SPD
6 individuals	Support redevelopment at the reservoir but Osler Street Park should be retained and incorporated in the development.	Welcome support. The masterplan has been updated to clearly show Osler Street Park will be retained.	The masterplan has been amended to make it clear that Osler Street Park will be retained as an important open space with play facilities. Additional guidance has been added on how the park can be enhanced and protected. This includes details on the importance of creating visual and physical connections through the development on the former Tower Ballroom site to connect the park to the wider reservoir so it can be enjoyed by residents and visitors.
2 individuals	Support is conditional to there being children's playing facilities.	Welcome support. The masterplan has been updated to clearly show Osler Street Park will be retained with its play facilities.	The masterplan has been amended to make it clear that Osler Street Park will be retained as an important open space with play facilities.
12 individuals	Support redevelopment. Request inclusion of social/community uses.	Welcome support. The masterplan details that community uses would be appropriate within the development.	The masterplan has been amended to list community uses as appropriate uses for the site.
19 individuals	The document requires more information, unsure as to what is being proposed. Visual design is requested.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to provide more information on the proposed development, this includes an artists' impression and precedent images to	Further details have been added that provides greater guidance on how future development should adhere to the development principles. The artist's sketch and precedent images have also been

		show the level of quality of design that would be acceptable.	updated to better reflect the vision for the site.
2 individuals	Concern over access to facilities, gentrification, lack of social housing and the loss of Osler Street Park.	Concerns noted. The masterplan has been amended to make it clear that the redevelopment should provide new homes and a range of accessible facilities for the local community and visitors. Proposals to build on the Osler Street Park have been removed.	The masterplan has been amended to make it clear that the redevelopment should provide new homes that meet needs and a range of accessible facilities for the local community and visitors. Proposals to build on the Osler Street Park have been removed.
Individual	Support redevelopment. Requests commercial uses.	Welcome support. The masterplan includes the potential for commercial uses on future development.	No changes required.
3 individuals	Support redevelopment. Requests active outdoor space.	Welcome support. The masterplan supports active outdoor space. Osler Street Park will be retained to continue to provide space for outdoor activity and the masterplan has been updated to further set back proposed development to provide more space for walkers, runners and cyclists.	More detail has been included in the activity section to state the types of activity that would be supported and the benefits this would bring to users of the reservoir.
5 individuals	Concerns around parking and safety. Criticism around lack of security measures.	Concerns noted. Some further detail has been added on the approach to parking within this development opportunity. Details on the amount of parking, its management and security measures will be determined through the planning application process.	Some further detail has been added on the approach to parking within this development opportunity.

42 individuals	Support redevelopment. Suggested uses are toilets, visitor centre, community, culture, social, café/ restaurant and education.	Welcome support. The uses listed are included in the amended masterplan. The exact mix of uses will be determined through the planning application process.	More detail has been included on the types of uses that would be appropriate on the development alongside new homes.
4 individuals	Support redevelopment. Suggests Cannon Hill MAC as an example of a delivery model.	Welcome support and suggestion over delivery model noted.	No changes required.
6 individuals	Concern around parking provision and increased traffic. Requests management of parking fees so that locals can still afford it.	Concerns noted. Some further detail has been added on the approach to parking within this development opportunity. Details on the amount of parking, its management and security measures will be determined through the planning application process.	Some further detail has been added on the approach to parking within this development opportunity.
Individual	Support redevelopment. Requests that uses are focused on water sports and social spaces. Strongly opposed to commercial uses.	Welcome support. The masterplan supports water sport use and the creation of spaces to encourage social interaction. The masterplan also states that commercial uses would be appropriate on the site alongside new homes and community uses. Any proposal would need to demonstrate accordance with the vision in the masterplan and play a role in activating the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Support redevelopment. States that there is a need for an attractive	Welcome support. Suggestions noted.	Plan updated to provide clearer guidance on quality of design required and need to create

	landmark. Suggests creating green links and relocating the play area on Osler Street Park closer to the reservoir.	The updated masterplan includes clearer guidance on the need for future design to be of high-quality. Osler Street Park will remain in its current location, but the masterplan has been updated to provide clearer guidance on the need to create green links between the park and the reservoir through the development on the site. This will improve connectivity and ensure the play facilities are accessible to local residents and visitors.	green connections between Osler Street Park and the reservoir.
49 individuals	<p>General support of redevelopment. Concerns around design principles. Request further detail on scale and form and that the design should be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sympathetic to nature • Not overlook the reservoir • Eco-friendly • Modern • Zero carbon living • Set back from the water • Scale should be reduced to around 2-3 storeys • Preserve and enhance walkway – ensure it is complete 	<p>Welcome support and note suggestions. The masterplan has been updated to provide further guidance on the scale and massing of future development on the site and the need for it to be sustainable. The masterplan is also very clear on the requirement for a continuous walkway around the reservoir. The guidance provided strikes the balance between protecting the natural setting of the reservoir and optimising the potential of the site to deliver a mix of community, commercial and residential uses in a high-quality designed scheme.</p>	<p>The character section of the chapter 'Osler Park and Osler Place' provides guidance on the design, scale, massing and setting of the development in relation to the waterfront. Buildings fronting the water will be a variety of heights up to a maximum of four storey and it is expected that the walkway in front of the buildings will be seventeen to twenty metres width, varying to accommodate the shape of the reservoir and ensure a linear building line is created. The sustainability section provides further details on how the scheme will deliver a sustainable development.</p>

15 individuals	Requests more information about design, specifically over the word “blocks”.	The masterplan has been amended to provide more detail on the height and scale of future development. Use of the word ‘blocks’ has been removed.	Further guidance is provided on acceptable design of future development.
13 individuals	Welcome support of the redevelopment of Tower Ballroom site.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
5 individuals	Not in support of redevelopment. Questions the benefits it will bring to the community.	The council is committed to ensuring that the local community benefits from development at the reservoir. Such benefits include the opportunity for community uses as part of the redevelopment of the Tower Ballroom and the Lodge. Improvements to the walkway, linkages and public realm will ensure the reservoir is welcoming, safe and accessible to all.	No changes required.
5 individuals	General support of redevelopment. Not in support of loss of the former tower ballroom building. Suggest it is retained/renovated.	<p>Welcome support. The decision to demolish the former Tower Ballroom building has been made through cabinet process.</p> <p>The vision for the site is for a mixed-use residential-led scheme that is set back from the waters edge with a wide walkway in front. The retention of the</p>	No changes required.

		Tower Ballroom building would make delivering this vision unachievable.	
Individual	<p>Concern over access to facilities such as the park area. Requests that design is eco-friendly as it is in a nature reserve. Opposed to housing and bars. Strongly opposed to any development that may impact the walking loop around the reservoir.</p>	<p>Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to provide clear guidance that Osler Street Park will be protected and enhanced, it will continue to be publicly accessible.</p> <p>The site is allocated in the Birmingham Development Plan for a mixed-use residential-led scheme. The principle of building new homes on the site is therefore well established.</p> <p>The walking route around the reservoir will be protected and the masterplan is clear that this will run around the whole of the reservoir.</p>	<p>The masterplan has been updated to make it clear Osler Street Park will be retained as an important open space that is accessible to all. Greater design guidance, including how future development can be more sustainable has been added for this site and the reservoir overall.</p> <p>The masterplan has also been updated to provide more detail on the Reservoir Loop opportunity and how the walkway in front of future development at the Tower Ballroom will connect with the rest of the pathway to ensure a continuous route around the reservoir.</p>
109 individuals	<p>Opposition to development on Osler Street Park for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loss of children's facilities • It is well used by the community and visitors • Has a strong sense of local history/identity 	<p>Comments noted. The proposal to build on Osler Street Park has been removed from the masterplan.</p>	<p>The proposal to build on Osler Street Park has been removed from the masterplan. The masterplan has been amended to make it clear that Osler Street Park will be retained as an important open space with play facilities. Additional guidance has been added on how the park can be enhanced and protected. This includes details on the</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides accessible green space to the wider area which is used for exercise by adults and children • Development will lead to gentrification • Access to open space is important and should be expanded • There is no need for housing/development in this area • Alternative brownfield sites can be built upon • Important space for well-being • Will have a negative impact on existing nature 		importance of creating visual and physical connections through the development on the former Tower Ballroom site to connect the park to the wider reservoir so it can be enjoyed by residents and visitors.
4 individuals	General support.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
2 individuals	Requests safe bike parking area.	Comments noted. The masterplan includes references to cycle parking at key locations.	The masterplan has been updated to include references to cycle parking at key locations.
3 individuals	Support redevelopment. Concerns around anti-social behaviour.	Welcome support. The masterplan includes several to creating a safe and secure environment that will address anti-social behaviour.	No changes required.

Individual	Not in support of development at Osler Street Park. Requests that money from development is used to improve and enhance facilities at the park.	<p>Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to protect the park and provide clear guidance on how it will be protected and enhanced.</p> <p>The masterplan will be used to support future decisions made around developer contributions in line with existing policies and procedures.</p>	The masterplan has been amended to clearly state the park and it's playing facilities will be retained, protected and enhanced.
3 individuals	Not in support of development at Osler Street Park. Requests enhancements and replacement of some playing facilities at Osler Street Park.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to protect the park and provide clear guidance on how it will be protected and enhanced.	The masterplan has been amended to clearly state the park and it's playing facilities will be retained, protected and enhanced.
Individual	The document is not clear on the future of Osler Street Park.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to provide more guidance on Osler Street Park.	The masterplan has been amended to clearly state the park and it's playing facilities will be retained, protected and enhanced.
2 individuals	Not in support of changes to Osler Street Park. Criticism that Birmingham City Council is selling the green space to developers.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to protect the park and provide clear guidance on how it will be protected and enhanced.	The masterplan has been amended to clearly state the park and it's playing facilities will be retained, protected and enhanced.
Individual	Requests that the replacement facilities need to be as large as	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to protect the park and	The masterplan has been amended to clearly state the park and it's playing facilities will be retained, protected and enhanced.

	existing provision of Osler Street Park.	provide clear guidance on how it will be protected and enhanced.	
Save Osler Street Park Campaign	Not in support of development at Osler Street Park. 132 responses have been received from school children across 29 different schools.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to protect the park and provide clear guidance on how it will be protected and enhanced.	More detail has been provided on the future of Osler Street Park which clearly states the park will be retained, protected and enhanced.
Individual	Welcome support of redevelopment.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
Individual	Supports redevelopment of Osler Street Park.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to protect the park and provide clear guidance on how it will be protected and enhanced.	More detail has been provided on the future of Osler Street Park which clearly states the park will be retained, protected and enhanced.
7 individuals	Supports redevelopment. Suggests arts and culture uses.	Welcome support. The masterplan has been amended to include cultural uses in the details on the mix of uses appropriate as part of Osler Place development.	The masterplan has been amended to include cultural uses in the details on the mix of uses appropriate as part of Osler Place development.
Individual	Support redevelopment. Suggest community and educational uses, especially for those with mental health issues.	Welcome support. The masterplan has been amended to include community and educational uses in the details on the mix of uses appropriate as part of Osler Place development.	The masterplan has been amended to include community and educational uses in the details on the mix of uses appropriate as part of Osler Place development.
The Scout Association - County of Birmingham	Support redevelopment of Tower Ballroom site and the proposed inclusion of a water sports hub.	Welcome support. Following discussions with the existing water users' proposals for a water sport hub have been removed from the masterplan, however additional water activity locating at Osler Place would be in keeping with the vision	No changes required.

		and proposals in the masterplan and supported in principle. Consideration would need to be given to the relationship between any additional water sports provision and the existing water users to ensure that all uses complement each other.	
Individual	Support redevelopment. Requests improvements to general accessibility.	Welcome support. The masterplan includes several references to ensuring the reservoir is accessible to all and a number of the proposals within the masterplan should improve general accessibility.	The masterplan has been amended to include references to ensuring the reservoir is accessible to all.
6 individuals	Support redevelopment.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
9 individuals	Support redevelopment but not in support of housing.	Welcome support. The site is allocated in the Birmingham Development Plan for a mixed-use residential-led scheme. The principle of building new homes on the site is therefore well established.	No changes required.
19 individuals	Not in support due to proposed residential use. The following reasons have been given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concern over impact on the nature reserve Increased prices/private flats, issues with affordability 	The site is allocated in the Birmingham Development Plan for a mixed-use residential-led scheme. The principle of building new homes on the site is therefore well established. The site is outside of the Local Nature Reserve boundary and the masterplan has been	No changes required.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other brownfield sites are available • Land should not be lost to residential uses as this is not appropriate on a nature reserve • Need to protect existing houses views to the reservoir • Concern over scale of development 	strengthened to provide further details on how the natural environment will be protected and enhanced. All housing development will need to be in line with policy requirements for affordable housing and the masterplan has been updated to strengthen references to this policy requirement. Further details have been added on the design, scale, height and impact on views.	
Individual	More information required. Specifically, what is the justification for residential on the reservoir.	Comments noted. Further details have been added on the policy justification for housing at the reservoir.	Further details have been added on the policy justification for housing at the reservoir.
Individual	Support redevelopment. Believes that the location has been underused. Strong support for the affordable housing on the site. Request affordable rented housing as part of the offer.	Welcome support. All housing development will need to be in line with policy requirements for affordable housing and the masterplan has been updated to strengthen references to this policy requirement	No changes required.
2 individuals	In support for the demolition of the former Tower Ballroom building.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
Individual	Concern around impact of development on running route around the reservoir.	Concerns noted. The masterplan makes a clear commitment to the retention and improvement of a continuous loop around the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Support for residential provision that includes social housing element.	Welcome support. All housing development will need to be in line with	No changes required.

		policy requirements for affordable housing and the masterplan has been updated to strengthen references to this policy.	
2 individuals	Support for relocation of car park.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support of car parking, the site should be greened.	Comments noted. The masterplan proposes to green the existing car park. This proposal has been made clearer in the masterplan.	The masterplan proposes to green the existing car park. This proposal has been made clearer in the masterplan.
Individual	Support for redevelopment of Tower Ballroom site. Requests that the Tower Ballroom shoreline is reinstated to its original state, enhancing the promenade around the reservoir. Supports Promenade Loop proposal. Design should consider wind-shadow to prevent the direction of wind blowing across the lake. Redevelopment of the site needs to take into account the Sea Cadets proposed plans.	<p>Welcome support. The proposals for the site include a walkway in front of the new buildings and have been designed to complement the Sea Cadets proposals. Following discussions with the water users wording has been added as appropriate in the masterplan to require assessment on the impact from development on wind and water sports.</p> <p>It is not considered necessary to include an explicit reference to this at Osler Place due to the proposed heights and set back of the proposed development.</p>	No changes required.
2 individuals	Concern around safety of existing children's facilities at Osler Street Park. Request enhancement of outdoor play.	Concerns noted. The masterplan now includes proposals to enhance the park, this will provide an opportunity to address safety concerns.	The masterplan has been updated to include proposals to enhance the park, this will provide an opportunity to address safety concerns.

Individual	Request a space for young people.	Request noted. The improved public realm will provide opportunities for all the community to come together. There are also opportunities for facilities, services and spaces to meet the needs of young people to be delivered as part of Osler Place, as well as through the Playing Field site.	No changes required.
2 Individuals	Support demolition of Tower Ballroom building. But not in favour of redevelopment, suggests the site should be green space/natural habitat instead.	Welcome support and note the request. The site is allocated for mixed used residential-led development to meet housing need in Birmingham. It is also considered that increased activity and facilities at the reservoir will ensure the site meets current and future community needs. The vision for Osler Place includes integrated green spaces and the greening of the existing waterside car park. This will be a significant improvement to the existing built form.	No changes required.
Individual	Support development. Recommends the council keep the legal freehold of the property. Suggested uses are social.	Welcome support and suggestions are noted.	No changes required.
Individual	Supportive of redevelopment but not for water sports.	Welcome support. The masterplan has been amended to remove reference to	The masterplan has been amended to remove reference to the creation of a water sports hub at this site.

		the creation of a water sports hub at this site.	
Individual	Concerns regarding noise issues arising from established activities around the reservoir (TS Vernon marches), which will result in noise complaints from new residents in the proposed residential area.	Concerns noted. The masterplan is clear that any development will be mixed use and as such any development that comes forward will be expected to have due regard to the impact of noise and consider this through the design and layout of buildings.	No changes required.
Individual	In support of development. Would like to see some of the materials from the Tower Ballroom site being incorporated into the new buildings. Strong support for the whole masterplan and concern that too many objections to the Tower Ballroom site proposals will result in no development taking place across the masterplan area.	Welcome support. The demolition requirements of the Tower Ballroom have included a request to consider what materials can be saved and re-used in recognition of the important role the site played in the social history of Birmingham. Other materials will be recycled in line with regulations and the council's existing procedures.	No changes required.
2 individuals	Concern around affordability of rent for leisure and recreation spaces. Welcome priority given to the established clubs.	Concerns noted. It is outside the scope of the masterplan to include details around the cost of rent. However, the document does make it clear that facilities need to be accessible to all.	The masterplan has been strengthened to make it clear that facilities need to be accessible to all.
Bearwood and Hagley Road	Issue with the name Thomas Telford as Tolkien link is much stronger in the area. State that residential	Comments noted. The name of the opportunity area has been changed. The masterplan looks to optimise the sites	No changes required.

Business Association	development should be focused on bringing brownfield land back into full use and improving existing residential stock. Residential should be on Osler Street side, not overlooking the reservoir. Tower site should be a MAC-styled venue.	potential as a brownfield site. Views in all direction are considered important for natural surveillance and good design principles.	
4 individuals	State there is a need for more trees to be planted at Tower Ballroom site.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been strengthened to include more references to integrated green infrastructure such as tree planting.	The masterplan has been strengthened to include more references to integrated green infrastructure such as tree planting.
Individual	The document requires more detail about what the site will entail and how it will be delivered. Questions whether the proposed uses are suitable and not conflicting. Does not believe that the sale of the land will fund the development.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been amended to include further details around the uses and design. Some further detail has been included around delivery, but the detailed delivery mechanism has yet to be determined.	The masterplan has been amended to include further details around the uses and design
North Edgbaston Residents Action group	Support removal of 'ballroom' in name as it sounds old fashioned.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
Individual	Support redevelopment of Tower Ballroom site due to noise disruption and antisocial behaviour. Feels that changing the name will not change the associated issues.	Welcome support.	No changes required.

Marine Society and Sea Cadets (MSSC)	Supports the council's vision to create a landmark development at Thomas Telford Place. Request that the masterplan document recognises and considers the relationship between pedestrians and water users due to health and safety concerns. In support of Promenade Loop subject to the above reservations.	Welcome support and concerns noted. The council has worked with MSSC on their application and the masterplan. Dialogue will continue in order to address any concerns around safety.	No changes required.
33 individuals	<p>Not in support of any development on site. The following reasons have been given:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact on wildlife / threat to Local Nature Reserve • Existing facilities should be retained • Gentrification • Threat to local identity and history • Affordability • Prefer the Community Consortium Alternative Plan • Accessibility • Reuse existing buildings for community and youth 	<p>Comments noted. The masterplan has been amended to strengthen the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The policy justification for the sites development • Policy approach towards affordable housing • Details on scale, massing and design • How the proposal can strengthen the character of the reservoir • A vision of the site that is accessible for all with a mix of uses that can include community, culture, leisure, commercial and educational. • How the development will protect and enhance the natural environment. 	<p>Comments noted. The masterplan has been amended to strengthen the following points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The policy justification for the sites development • Policy approach towards affordable housing • Details on scale, massing and design • How the proposal can strengthen the character of the reservoir • A vision of the site that is accessible for all with a mix of uses that can include community, culture, leisure, commercial and educational. • How the development will protect and enhance the natural environment.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use alternative brownfield sites • Concerned about overdevelopment, plans should be scaled back • Commercialisation 		
Individual	Not in support of development. Criticism of attempting to demolish existing facilities that have been used for over a century.	Comments noted. The Tower Ballroom has been vacant for some time and the previous uses were unsustainable. The masterplan proposes new uses that will deliver a site that can be used by all the community for future generations.	No changes required.
Friends of Edgbaston Reservoir	Not in support of development. Criticism over use of “well-defined blocks and a high-quality public realm” being planning jargon. Strong opposition to housing on reservoir and Osler Street Park. Complete support for the Community Consortium’s Alternative Plan.	Comments noted. The wording on design has been revised for clarity. The principle of housing on the site is well established and the proposals to build on Osler Street Park have been removed.	The wording on design has been revised for clarity. The proposals to build on Osler Street Park have been removed.
Individual	Supports redevelopment. Concern around disruption to reservoir users during development. Requests that the portion of the building that overhangs the path which has art hanging and local history to be conserved and enhanced.	Welcome support. The council will work with those contracted to demolish the Tower Ballroom site to limit the impact on reservoir users. The masterplan has been amended to include reference to the provision of spaces that could be	The masterplan has been amended to include reference to the provision of spaces that could be used for public art, including murals that celebrate the reservoir.

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Angling Trust	Requests there should be vistas through the development to the reservoir.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been amended to show clear vistas through the proposed development blocks.	The masterplan has been amended to show clear vistas through the proposed development blocks.
Individual	Criticism that there is no mention of disabled access to the elevated walkway in front of the sports centre.	Comments noted. The masterplan no longer proposes an elevated walkway.	No changes required.
Individual	Support for demolition of Tower Ballroom site. Requests that new building should be set back from the water's edge.	Welcome support. The masterplan does propose to set the buildings back from the waterfront.	Further details have been added to the masterplan around how the buildings should be set back from the waterfront.
Individual	More information needed, especially around design. Issue with the word "hub". States that existing sports club should be allowed to remain in their own locations. Criticism over the fence at the water's edge to stop people approaching water.	Comments noted. The computer-generated image (CGI) has been removed from the masterplan and replaced with an artist's sketch that better reflects the revised vision for the site. Following discussions with the existing water users the masterplan has been updated to retain and improve their facilities in their existing locations.	The computer-generated image (CGI) has been removed from the masterplan and replaced with an artist's sketch that better reflects the revised vision for the site. Following discussions with the existing water users the masterplan has been updated to retain and improve their facilities in their existing locations.
3 individuals	Concern that the scale of buildings will impact on wind sailing.	Concerns noted. Following discussions with the water users wording has been added as appropriate in the masterplan to require assessment on the impact	No changes required.

		from development on wind and water sports. It is not considered necessary to include an explicit reference to this at Osler Place due to the proposed heights and set back of the proposed development.	
4 individuals	Dislike the name Thomas Telford.	Noted. The name of the opportunity site has been amended.	No changes required.
5 individuals	In support of development. Suggested ecological education / allotments as a use.	Welcome support. The suggested uses would be in line with the vision for this area of the reservoir.	The masterplan has been updated to include reference to cultural, community and educational uses being supported.
2 individuals	In support of development but has concerns regarding potential gentrification and community access to facilities.	Welcome support and concerns noted. The masterplan makes it clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone.	No changes required.
Individual	Further clarification on phrase "alongside residential use" requested. States if this implies some land will be sold for housing, it should all be affordable housing.	The ground floor of the proposed development fronting the water is identified for non-residential uses in order to provide facilities that meet communities and visitor needs along with making the best use of the waterside location. Further details have been added on what uses this could include. Additional wording has been added on the policy approach towards affordable housing.	Further details have been added on what uses the non-residential element of the scheme could include. Additional wording has been added on the policy approach towards affordable housing.

5 individuals	Not in support of large development.	Comments noted. Further detail has been added on scale and massing.	No changes required.
Individual	Concern over where the existing bike and equipment lockable storage unit will go.	Comments noted. The council will work with the Active Wellbeing Society and others to ensure that the reservoir can continued to be used for their activities.	No changes required.
Individual	In support of development. Suggests wildlife museum as a tourist feature and industrial canal sculpture tribute to Thomas Telford.	Welcome support. These suggestions are in keeping with the vision for Osler Place and in the 'Celebrating the Reservoir' section as set out in the revised masterplan.	No changes required.
4 individuals	Would like to see local history being celebrated.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been revised to include a character section under each opportunity area. This section includes further details on how the history of the reservoir can be celebrated.	The masterplan has been revised to include a character section under each opportunity area. This section includes further details on how the history of the reservoir can be celebrated.
Individual	Concerns over how the design can encourage community cohesion amongst wider community and residents within the scheme.	Concerns noted. The design includes several elements that would encourage community cohesion including a public walkway in front of the buildings, with opportunities for people to sit, meet and partake in activities. The potential for community spaces to be delivered as part of the Tower Ballroom redevelopment or within Reservoir Lodge has been included in the masterplan. The document also	No changes required.

		includes a commitment that the residential uses will provide public spaces and linkages throughout in order to avoid the creation of gated communities.	
Individual	Concern around economic viability of Thomas Telford Place. Questions whether the council has carried out an economic assessment of the market rents that will generate. Concerned existing water sports users will be priced out, resulting in expensive facilities that are not used. States that the current clubs rely on volunteers and that commercial operators will struggle to generate sufficient income.	Concerns noted. High-level viability work has been undertaken to inform the proposals within the masterplan. The masterplan no longer proposes the relocation of existing water users following detailed engagement with the clubs.	No changes required.
4 individuals	Requests that the existing building is retained.	Request noted. The vision for the site is for a mixed-use residential-led scheme that is set back from the water's edge with a wide walkway in front. The retention of the Tower Ballroom building would make delivering this vision unachievable.	No changes required.
Individual	Criticism that document is unclear about the possibility of residential housing. States if this is the case that	Comments noted. The masterplan states that the housing will be a mix of types and tenures to meet local need. This will	Further details have been added to clarify the policy position around housing.

	it should be affordable family homes not flats.	include family housing and affordable housing.	
Individual	Requests that the Lodge is refurbished for community or commercial premises.	Request noted. The masterplan has been amended to include further details on how Reservoir Lodge could play a role in the future of the reservoir, including community and commercial uses.	The masterplan has been amended to include further details on how Reservoir Lodge could play a role in the future of the reservoir, including community and commercial uses.
Individual	States that the view of the Lodge from the reservoir should be protected.	Request noted. The masterplan has been amended to state that the relationship between Reservoir Lodge and the reservoir will be maintained so that the building's distinctive canted frontage will continue to look out over the water.	The masterplan has been amended to state that the relationship between Reservoir Lodge and the reservoir will be maintained so that the building's distinctive canted frontage will continue to look out over the water.
Individual	Questioning if there will be a glass wall replacing the brick wall on the dam.	Comments noted. The computer-generated image (CGI) has been replaced by an artist's sketch that better reflects the revised details within the masterplan. The document has been amended to state that any proposals that impact on the dam wall will need to fully consider the impact on its heritage listing and structure.	The computer-generated image (CGI) has been replaced by an artist's sketch that better reflects the revised details within the masterplan. The document has been amended to state that any proposals that impact on the dam wall will need to fully consider the impact on its heritage listing and structure.
Individual	In support of the development. Requests high-quality family housing, not apartments. Recreational spaces should be linked	Welcome support. The masterplan states that the housing will be a mix of types and tenures to meet local need. This will include family housing and affordable housing. The masterplan is	Further details have been added to clarify the policy position around housing.

	well, not involving busy road navigation.	clear that the environment will not be car-dominated and that all developments will be well-linked.	
4 individuals	Support of redevelopment of Tower Ballroom site is conditional to the water sport clubs being given the choice to relocate or not, with long leases provided and rent levels guaranteed. Also request ability for clubs to continue operating independently. Hub should be non-profit.	The previous version of the masterplan was deliberately flexible regarding the potential for existing clubs to relocate in acknowledgment that the approach should be led by the clubs. Since then officers have worked with all the existing water-users to ensure this version of the masterplan reflects their aspirations for the future, including their preferred locations. This has been reflected in the masterplan, which includes positive proposals for all the club's futures.	The masterplan has been amended to reflect the preferred locations and future plans of the clubs.
Individual	Argues that the hub will not work as each club has different needs. Concerned about buildings being higher than two storeys as this would affect wind quality and commercial organisations resulting in increased costs and loss of members.	See response above about the location of the water users. Following discussions with the water users wording has been added as appropriate in the masterplan to require assessment on the impact from development on wind and water sports. It is not considered necessary to include an explicit reference to this at Osler Place due to the proposed heights and set back of the proposed development.	No changes required.

3 individuals	States that there is a covenant on the Tower Ballroom site which prevents development and says it can only be used for leisure-based activities and services.	Comments noted. This has been investigated by the council's Property Services department and no such covenant has been located.	No changes required.
Individual	Questioning why the Tower Mount site is not included.	Welcome suggestion. The masterplan has been updated to include Tower Mount as part of the 'Osler Park and Osler Place' opportunity.	The masterplan has been updated to include Tower Mount as part of the 'Osler Park and Osler Place' opportunity.
Individual	Strongly opposed to the development over Osler St Park. States it is not defined as part of the development site in the BDP (2017). Edgbaston Reservoir is not a park, criticism that turning the walkway into a 'promenade' is a form of sanitising the natural environment. In support of an unbroken route around the reservoir, without building a waterfront activity centre. Water sports clubs should stay in existing locations.	Comments noted. The proposals to build on Osler Street Park have been removed from the masterplan. The promenade proposals have been amended to reference a more natural walkway around the reservoir with increased planting in areas that are currently more hard landscaping. Following discussions with the water users, the masterplan now proposes to support them remaining in their existing locations.	The proposals to build on Osler Street Park have been removed from the masterplan. The promenade proposals have been amended to reference a more natural walkway around the reservoir with increased planting in areas that are currently more hard landscaping. Following discussions with the water users, the masterplan now proposes to support them remaining in their existing locations.
Individual	Requests clarification regarding the future of Reservoir Lodge.	Comments noted. Further details have been included around what uses would be suitable at Reservoir Lodge and to include opportunities around its	Further details have been included around what uses would be suitable at Reservoir Lodge and to include opportunities around its extension to provide a building that can better meet potential occupier needs.

		extension to provide a building that can better meet potential occupier needs.	
Individual	Requests future development is set back from the waters' edge and provide green enhancement to the walkway.	Request noted. The masterplan is clear that future development will be set back from the waterfront and that the walkway will have green enhancements.	The masterplan has been amended to make it clear that future development will be set back from the waterfront and that the walkway will have green enhancements.
Individual	In support of development. Concerned around accessibility issues and suggests the existing car park on Osler Street should remain for residents and underground car parking should be provided for residents and visitors. Not in support of all land being developed, suggests car park adjacent to Tower Ballroom building should be turned into a natural amphitheatre.	Welcome support. The masterplan has been amended to include reference to the changes in ground levels across the Tower Ballroom site creating the opportunity for waterfront buildings to be serviced at basement level and to provide residential parking below buildings in under crofts or basements. The masterplan proposes to green the existing waterside car park.	The masterplan has been amended to include reference to the changes in ground levels across the Tower Ballroom site creating the opportunity for waterfront buildings to be serviced at basement level and to provide residential parking below buildings in under crofts or basements.
9 individuals	Request that the water sport clubs should stay in their current location. Concern that losing the current clubs will result in less activity on the water.	Following discussions with the water user clubs the masterplan now proposes to support them remaining in their existing locations.	Following discussions with the water user clubs the masterplan now proposes to support them remaining in their existing locations.
Individual	Concern that the clubs won't be able to afford the high rents in the water sports hub which will result in individual clubs losing their identities.	Following discussions with the water user clubs the masterplan now proposes to support them remaining in their existing locations.	Following discussions with the water user clubs the masterplan now proposes to support them remaining in their existing locations.

Individual	<p>Requests more information about the phrase 'well-defined blocks'. Development needs to be away from water's edge to ensure the walkway is free for public use. Against development on Osler St Park. Questioning the development's benefit to existing community.</p>	<p>Comments noted. Further detail has been added around design and the statement about 'well-defined blocks' has been removed. The masterplans clear that buildings will be set away from the water to allow for public activity. The proposals to develop Osler Street Park have been removed from the masterplan. The benefits and opportunities for local communities have been made clearer.</p>	<p>Comments noted. Further detail has been added around design and the statement about 'well-defined blocks' has been removed. The masterplans clear that buildings will be set away from the water to allow for public activity. The proposals to develop Osler Street Park have been removed from the masterplan. The benefits and opportunities for local communities have been made clearer.</p>
Individual	<p>The document should be re-written and more usefully presented. Requests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Local residents' current patterns of usage are taken into account - Thomas Telford Place should be low-rise and domestic scale for reservoir-related facilities with a hinterland of social and sustainable housing - Relocate all carparking from the shoreline to the hinterland 	<p>Comments noted. Further detail has been added around the scale of development and the need for uses to meet community needs. Further wording has been included around the policy approach to housing mix and affordable housing. There are no proposals for new waterside car parking and the masterplan proposes to green the existing car park. The masterplan has been strengthened to include more references to increased planting and sustainable design. The impact of construction on the natural environment will be considered as part of individual schemes delivery.</p>	<p>Comments noted. Further detail has been added around the scale of development and the need for uses to meet community needs. Further wording has been included around the policy approach to housing mix and affordable housing. There are no proposals for new waterside car parking and the masterplan proposes to green the existing car park. The masterplan has been strengthened to include more references to increased planting and sustainable design.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scale down the whole development - Extensive tree and shrub planting to complete the currently broken crescent of woodland around the reservoir - Natural path should not be a salmon-coloured racetrack through woodland - All construction work takes place in winter when nature is dormant and birds are not nesting 		
Individual	Not in support of removal of trees at Osler Street Park. States that the mutli-use games are the best easy access child play provision available. Seeks enhancements of play apparatus. Not in support of refreshment shops as concerned it will increase litter and rodents.	Comments noted. The proposal to build on Osler Street Park has been removed from the masterplan.	The proposal to build on Osler Street Park has been removed from the masterplan.
Individual	Requests further consideration to be given by the council about how the vision can be delivered whilst allowing Osler Street Park to remain. States:	Comments noted. The proposal to build on Osler Street Park has been removed from the masterplan. Many of the suggestions in this response around how the park could play a role in the vision of	The proposal to build on Osler Street Park has been removed from the masterplan. Many of the suggestions in this response around the park could play a role in the

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Park will help Thomas Telford Place to achieve its mix of uses - a small zip-wire may be well received - Improvements to equipment at the park - Create a pedestrian crossing through the park to create a meeting place - Bike lock ups at one side of the park - Improvements to the path conditions 	the masterplan have been reflected in the revised draft of the document.	vision of the masterplan have been reflected in the revised draft of the document.
Individual	States that the proposed water sports hub, storage and ramps would not provide the necessary access for water users and may impact water levels.	Comments noted. Following discussions with the water user clubs the masterplan now proposes to support them remaining in their existing locations.	Following discussions with the water user clubs the masterplan now proposes to support them remaining in their existing locations.
Individual	Requests further consideration is given to the proposal to replace and replicate the existing water user facilities. States that they each have specific needs which the proposed design does not consider.	Comments noted. Following discussions with the water user clubs the masterplan now proposes to support them remaining in their existing locations.	Following discussions with the water user clubs the masterplan now proposes to support them remaining in their existing locations.
Individual	Not in support of the scale of proposed development at the Tower	Comments noted. Following discussions with the water user clubs the masterplan	Following discussions with the water user clubs the masterplan now proposes to

	<p>Ballroom. Requests a realistic appraisal of the economic impacts on the current water sports clubs and conditions of the reservoir. Support for community facilities depends on the scale. Seeks enhancements and protection to the nature reserve.</p>	<p>now proposes to support them remaining in their existing locations. The masterplan has been updated to provide further details on how the natural environment will be protected and enhanced.</p>	<p>support them remaining in their existing locations. The masterplan has been updated to provide further details on how the natural environment will be protected and enhanced.</p>
Individual	<p>Not in support of development. States that the residents and water sports clubs are also strongly opposed to the new development of Thomas Telford Place and are instead submitting their own bids for funds to develop their current sites.</p>	<p>Comments noted. The council has worked with the community and water clubs to better align the masterplan with their aspirations.</p>	<p>No changes required.</p>
Individual	<p>Overall support for any improvements to encourage increased use. Not in support of the water sports hub proposed on Tower Ballroom site unless:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A detailed exercise is carried out to scope space requirements for each clubs' equipment • Manoeuvrability space is provided 	<p>Following discussions with the water user clubs the masterplan now proposes to support them remaining in their existing locations.</p>	<p>Following discussions with the water user clubs the masterplan now proposes to support them remaining in their existing locations.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water level is considered properly <p>States that the mixing of the public and boat club is not the issue the council thinks it is as it is currently operating well.</p>		
Individual	Not in support of residential or commercial buildings. Suggests Tower Ballroom site to be converted into better parking.	Comments noted. Parking is not considered the best use of the land and would be contrary to the allocation for a mixed used residential scheme in the Birmingham Development Plan and the approach set out in the Birmingham Transport plan.	No changes required.

Reservoir View

Consultee	Representation Summary	Officer Response	Proposed Changes to SPD
Individual	More information is required for a comment on the development of Reservoir View.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to provide more information on plans for this opportunity.
Individual	Conservation issues - buildings are historic.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to state future uses will need to protect and be sensitive to the heritage assets within the opportunity.
Individual	Support redevelopment of Reservoir View in particular the building next to the sailing club and unused building down by the canal described are eyesores.	Comments noted. The masterplan sets out plans for Reservoir House and Reservoir Cottage to be used and improved in the future where appropriate.	No changes required.
Individual	Support redevelopment of Reservoir House. If not effectively used, it should be demolished, and the space used for car parking.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
Individual	Support redevelopment of Reservoir House.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggests that soft landscaping and improvement to entrance at Reservoir View should be made. Low rise development.	Comments noted.	Additional guidance has been included to state an increase in green infrastructure should be sought.
Individual	Concerns around sailing club. Believes it should remain in current building and that improvements to car parking facilities are essential.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated and no longer includes the potential option for the Sailing Club to relocate to the Tower Ballroom site. The masterplan includes further details on car parking in this area, including the potential for priority parking for user groups.

Bearwood & Hagley Road Business Association	Support is conditional to the opening of the Icknield Port Road entrance which creates opportunities for regenerated businesses and cafes.	Comments noted. The masterplan seeks to improve the entrance at Icknield Port Road to provide a welcoming gateway to the reservoir. Future uses in the buildings will be required to contribute to the masterplan vision and could include a café.	No changes required.
Individual	Strong opposition. Concerned about damage to balance of nature and current views. States no justification has been given for housing and no benefit to local people.	<p>Comments noted. The council is committed to protecting and enhancing the reservoir as a green asset for Birmingham's residents and visitors to enjoy. More detailed guidance added.</p> <p>The site is allocated in the Birmingham Development Plan for a mixed-use residential-led scheme. The principle of building new homes on the site is therefore well-established.</p>	<p>The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.</p> <p>More detail has been added including a view plan that sets out the key views should be protected.</p> <p>The masterplan has been amended to include a 'Policy Context' section which sets out the housing allocations in existing adopted local policy.</p>

Individual	Seeks heritage buildings being brought back into use. States that the masterplan has not identified the two existing heritage buildings.	Comments noted. Agree, the reuse of these buildings is a key part of the masterplan vision.	The masterplan has been updated to clearly identify the heritage assets in this opportunity and sets out that they should be used in the future.
Inland Waterway	Requests that reference should be made to the Icknield Port Depot as failure to acknowledge it now may result in future challenges.	Welcome suggestion. The masterplan has been updated to include reference to the Grade II listed Icknield Port Yard.	The masterplan has been amended to include reference to Icknield Port Yard as a working yard and important part of the Birmingham canal network and operations.
Urban Splash	Strong support of the enhancements and interventions to broaden access. Concern around the overlap with the Port Loop area which benefits from an existing outline planning permission. Critical that the SPD provides sufficient flexibility.	Support welcomed. Improving the link between the reservoir and the Port Loop development is a key part of the masterplan vision.	The masterplan has been amended to provide greater detail regarding appropriate uses and density of development on land within the Port Loop boundary. It is considered there is sufficient flexibility in the masterplan for future development and the council are committed to working with Port Loop in the future.
Canal & River Trust	In support of the link that will be created between Port Loop redevelopment and the masterplan area.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
H Suite Owner	Support for plans. Requested conversation with the council to discuss their site.	Support welcomed. The council is committed to working with stakeholders.	No changes required in response to comments. Further details have been added to this site, as with all opportunities in the masterplan.
Individual	Dislikes the name Reservoir View. Suggests a green tree-lined route.	Comments noted. The name 'Reservoir View' has been chosen to reflect the views this location has of the reservoir. Agree with suggestion on green	The masterplan has been updated to include additional guidance that states an increase in green infrastructure should be sought.

		planting and this has been strengthened in the masterplan.	
Individual	Not in support of waterfront development.	Comments noted. The proposals for Reservoir View do not include development on the waterfront. Proposals include the sensitive re-use of existing heritage buildings.	No changes required.
Individual	Conserve existing atmosphere.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to reflect the need for the tranquil atmosphere of the reservoir to be protected.
Individual	Questioning land use for the land / buildings on Icknield Port that back onto the weir.	Comments noted. Further details have been added on suitable land uses for this opportunity area.	The masterplan has been updated to state that development should deliver a mix of high-quality housing, commercial and community uses to create a hub of activity that animates the canal side and provides facilities for residents and visitors
Individual	Masterplan generally welcomed. Questioning the reason for the sailing club having to move to a water hub. Issue with cost of relocation and direct impact on the club.	Support welcomed. The council aims to support the sailing club and their outreach work.	The masterplan has been updated and no longer includes the potential option for the sailing club to relocate.
Individual	Replacement of sailing club building welcomed. Retention of club at Reservoir was vital.	Comments noted. The council aims to support the sailing club and their outreach work.	The masterplan has been updated and no longer includes the potential option for the sailing club to relocate.

Natural Parkland

Consultee	Representation Summary	Officer Response	Proposed Changes to SPD
25 individuals	Concerns around the impact the development will have on existing biodiversity and wildlife.	Comments noted. Agree development within the masterplan boundary will need to mitigate impact on the natural environment.	The masterplan has been updated to include a new chapter 'Sustainability', which provides clear guidance to ensure projects and proposals are sensitive to the natural environment and mitigate their impact on the Local Nature Reserve. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.
3 individuals	Reservoir area should be designated as a nature reserve.	Comments noted. Edgbaston Reservoir and some surrounding land has been designated as a Local Nature Reserve since 2010. The Local Nature Reserve covers most of the masterplan area, it does not include the former Tower Ballroom site, Tower Mount, Edgbaston Waterworks or Reservoir Link opportunity.	The masterplan has been updated to include the Local Nature Reserve boundary in its context and sustainability plan.
2 individuals	Not in support. Does not want any development.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to provide more guidance on this opportunity including where development would be appropriate in this area – for instance, the re use of the Rangers Bungalow and the Rowing Club replacing their facilities. A new chapter

			<p>'Sustainability' has been added to provide clear guidance to ensure projects and proposals are sensitive to the natural environment and mitigate their impact on the Local Nature Reserve. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.</p>
Individual	Importance of protecting natural environment, specifically banning single use plastics.	Comments noted. Agree, protecting and enhancing the natural environment is very important. Banning single use plastics is too much detail for a Supplementary Planning Document, but the plan does not preclude future businesses from taking this approach.	No changes required.
15 individuals	Strengthen enhancement of natural environment.	Comments noted.	<p>The masterplan has been updated to include a new chapter 'Sustainability' which provides clear guidance to ensure projects and proposals are sensitive to the natural environment and mitigate their impact on the Local Nature Reserve. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.</p>

3 individuals	Important natural assets such as the reservoir are retained and protected.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to provide more detail on the importance of the reservoir as a key open space and natural environment for Birmingham's visitors and residents. A new chapter 'Sustainability' has been added and provides clear guidance to ensure projects and proposals are sensitive to the natural environment and mitigate their impact on the Local Nature Reserve.
Individual	Birmingham Settlement's playing field area should be marked as separate.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to provide more information on the Selwyn Playing Field which is owned by Birmingham Settlement. A plan has been included in the Natural Parkland opportunity which shows the site in relation to the reservoir open space.
Individual	Suggests landscape of Natural Parkland should be that of a 'double decker landscape'.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to state the important role the reservoir plays as a green space. Further information has been added to the plan detailing how the Local Nature Reserve and natural environment should be protected and enhanced.
Environment Agency	Established water sports means it's likely any wildlife in the habitats are already used to disturbance. Water-based biodiversity is limited due to the nature of the site. Recommend some quiet areas fenced off from the public for bird nesting.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to include a new chapter 'Sustainability' which provides clear guidance to ensure projects and proposals mitigate their impact on the Local Nature Reserve, this includes habitat creation. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been

			updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.
Canal & River Trust	General support for improved walking routes and the potential biodiversity benefits. Emphasis on importance of mental health and well-being through recreation activities near water. Highlights the Trust's planting strategy for the wider network in Birmingham.	Support welcomed and comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to reference the health and wellbeing benefits activity at the reservoir can provide. The masterplan to state there is the potential to expand fruit tree planting around the reservoir area, linking to a linear orchard along the canal.
Birmingham Settlement	General support. Acknowledges the similarity between the results expected by themselves and the council. States that activities on the field should complement the natural environment.	Support welcomed. The activity at the Playing Field aligns with the masterplan vision and the council is committed to working with Birmingham Settlement in the future.	The masterplan has been updated to provide more detail on the plans at the Selwyn Playing Field.
Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Trust	General support of the document. Highlights opportunities to increase leisure and amenity value whilst also improving and protecting biodiversity as the site is a Local Nature Reserve and Site of Importance for Nature Conservation. Suggests habitat creation and enhancement of existing space through wildflower provision and bankside tree and shrub planting for shelter and nesting material for local bird and hedgehog populace. Also	Support welcomed and comments noted. The council has worked with the Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Trust on the Local Nature Reserve Management Plan and will continue to work with them to deliver and implement the masterplan vision.	<p>The masterplan has been updated to include a new chapter 'Sustainability' which provides clear guidance to ensure projects and proposals mitigate their impact on the Local Nature Reserve, this includes habitat creation such as floating islands.</p> <p>The Local Nature Reserve Management Plan for Edgbaston Reservoir has been updated to include a clear set of objectives the council can work towards with stakeholders and partners. The masterplan references the need for the Management Plan to be read in</p>

	<p>including the enhancements to the reservoir through the provision of floating vegetation islands.</p> <p>Recommend that the SPD commits to these improvements and that full plans for these items are included in the site management plan. Draws on the potential impact on wildlife and biodiversity with the increase in visitor numbers and recommends an assessment to be undertaken to access potential impact.</p>		<p>conjunction with the masterplan. The masterplan has been updated to include guidance on how the natural environment can be protected and enhanced.</p>
Individual	<p>Not in support of development. Should be kept as a sanctuary for animals.</p>	Comments noted.	<p>The masterplan has been updated to include the Local Nature Reserve boundary in its context and sustainability plan. It has also been updated to provide more detailed guidance on how the natural environment and wildlife should be protected. The Local Nature Reserve Management Plan for Edgbaston Reservoir has been updated to include a clear set of objectives the council can work towards with stakeholders and partners. The masterplan references the need for the Management Plan to be read in conjunction with the masterplan. The masterplan has been updated to include guidance on how the natural environment can be protected and enhanced.</p>
4 individuals	<p>Important to maintain a tranquil atmosphere.</p>	Comments noted.	<p>The masterplan has been updated to reflect the need for the tranquil atmosphere of the</p>

			reservoir to be protected this includes protecting key views and the open feeling at the reservoir and ensuring there are areas for quiet reflection at the reservoir.
3 individuals	Importance of reservoir and green heart in the centre of Birmingham	Comments noted.	<p>The masterplan has been updated to provide more detail about the key role the reservoir plays in the city.</p> <p>The masterplan has been updated to include a new chapter 'Sustainability' which provides clear guidance to ensure projects and proposals mitigate their impact on the Local Nature Reserve.</p>
Individual	Issue around use of the word 'tidy'. In favour of improvements but maintain wildness.	Comments and support noted. The masterplan does not include the word 'tidy'.	The masterplan has been updated to provide more detail on how the natural environment can be protected and enhanced. Photos of the existing environment at the reservoir have been added to the masterplan to reflect the natural/wild environment that should be protected.
2 individuals	Opposition to housing development. Open space is more important.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to make clear Osler Street Park will be retained as an important open space with play facilities. However, housing is still planned for the former Tower Ballroom site, which is a brownfield (previously developed) site, allocated for housing in the adopted Birmingham Development Plan.
Individual	Wildlife corridor is essential.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to state development should strengthen connections

			to open space and wildlife corridors in the wider area.
Individual	Not in support. Concerns about the impact on biodiversity and existing natural environment. States that tidying up the reservoir will turn it into another city park and remove its status as a Local Nature Reserve. The biodiversity mentioned in the SPD would disappear and cannot be replaced. Wants a more realistic view of nature in the plan.	Comments noted.	<p>The masterplan has been updated to include a new chapter 'Sustainability' which provides clear guidance to ensure projects and proposals are sensitive to the natural environment and mitigate their impact on the Local Nature Reserve. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations. the masterplan also states it should be read in conjunction with this updated Management Plan.</p> <p>The masterplan has also been updated to include more existing photos of the natural environment at the reservoir.</p>
2 individuals	Believes that rangers are needed to manage the area.	Comments noted. We understand the community would like to see a Rangers Service at the reservoir but there are no resources to secure this service at present. In line with the approach taken at several other parks and nature reserves across Birmingham, the council is eager to work with the Local Nature Reserve Committee to establish a greater role for the community.	No changes required.

Promenade Loop

Consultee	Representation Summary	Officer Response	Proposed Changes to SPD
2 individuals	Not in support of upgrade of paths. Concern around cyclists reducing safety. Is avoiding canal towpaths as the resurfacing has led to increased cycle speed and is concerned about the proposal to upgrade paths having the same impact.	Comments noted. The masterplan makes it clear that the walkway around the reservoir is a shared surface.	No changes required.
2 individuals	In favour of improved promenade but stress the importance of separating walkers from cyclists whilst also putting measures in place to stop motor/quad bikes and scooters being able to access Reservoir.	Comments noted. The masterplan makes it clear that the walkway around the reservoir is a shared surface.	No changes required.
Individual	Concern around conflict between walkers and cyclists.	Comments noted. The masterplan makes it clear that the walkway around the reservoir is a shared surface.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support. Suggests a running track but should also be kept as it is where biodiversity is rich.	Comments noted. The improvements to the walkway were in keeping with the natural environment and play an important role in protecting the biodiversity by ensuring the pathways are always suitable for use – therefore reducing erosion of the natural landscape caused by people looking for dryer routes around the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Important to create a Promenade Loop which is natural.	Agree – the walkway around the Natural Parkland is designed to be in keeping with the natural landscape and the improvements to the walkway in the	Further details have been added to the text on the walkway around natural landscaping.

		more built up area of the reservoir will include natural landscaping.	
Individual	Not in support of path being redone. Potholes need filling.	Comments noted.	No changes required.
Individual	In support of upgrading paths.	Support welcomed	No changes required.
Individual	In support. Path improvements should be a major focus of the vision.	Support welcomed	No changes required.
Individual	In support of path upgrade but opposed to use of tarmac.	Support welcome and comments noted.	No changes required.
Individual	Support for principle but not with a promenade on the Tower Ballroom site. Approach has been outlined in the Community Consortium Masterplan that was submitted in response to this consultation.	Support and comments noted. The approach to the pathway in front of the Osler Place (former Tower Ballroom) opportunity has been amended to focus on a more natural approach, with planting, seating and less hard surfaces then originally set out in the first draft masterplan. This is considered to align better with the vision set out in the consortium's aspirations.	The approach to the pathway in front of the Osler Place (former Tower Ballroom) opportunity has been amended to focus on a more natural approach, with planting, seating and less hard surfaces then originally set out in the first draft masterplan. This is considered to align better with the vision set out in the consortium's aspirations.
Midland Mencap	Request that all parts of Promenade Loop and links to other parts of development are fully accessible, with a minimum track width of 2.5m and a barrier gap of 1.5m. Avoid steep gradients, provide passing places and consider signage carefully so that is legible for all users.	Comments noted. The masterplan includes references to ensuring the reservoir is accessible for all. It would not be appropriate to include this level of detail in the masterplan. The council will ensure all disability regulations are met and work with disability groups to deliver schemes that are accessible to all.	No changes required.

Individual	Improvements to safety of joggers/walkers. Suggests solar lighting around entire perimeter of the Promenade Loop and CCTV.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to include references to safety and lighting where appropriate.	The masterplan has been updated to include references to safety and lighting where appropriate.
Individual	Seeking a guarantee for retention of existing paths that circle reservoir.	Comments noted. The masterplan is clear that a walkway around the whole of the reservoir is key to the vision and provides a policy framework for this to be delivered and protected.	No changes required.
Individual	Concern over appropriateness of a 'promenade' rather than a 'walkway'.	Comments noted. The name of the opportunity has been changed to Reservoir Loop	The name of the opportunity has been changed to Reservoir Loop
3 individuals	Support for the Promenade Loop walkway.	Welcome support	No changes required.

Tolkien Walk

Consultee	Representation Summary	Officer Response	Proposed Changes to SPD
3 individuals	General support. Welcomes the link to and celebration of Tolkien.	Welcome support. This section of the masterplan has been updated to cover celebrating the reservoir more widely but still refers to historic features such as the towers.	No changes required.
Individual	General support for walk and trail dedicated to Tolkien. Suggests Tolkien-related piece of public art.	Welcome support. This section of the masterplan has been updated to cover celebrating the reservoir more widely but still refers to historic features such as the towers.	No changes required.
Individual	In support of general development of the reservoir, especially Tolkien	Welcome support. This section of the masterplan has been updated to cover	No changes required.

	Walk. Requests renovation of Perrott's Folly as part of development plans.	celebrating the reservoir more widely but still refers to historic features such as the towers.	
2 individuals	Criticism about how Tolkien Walk does not include important local sites relating to Tolkien's life.	Comments noted. This section of the masterplan has been updated to cover celebrating the reservoir more widely but still refers to historic features such as the towers. The specifics of any heritage and culture trail will be developed as part of that individual project's delivery.	No changes required.
Bearwood & Hagley Road Business Association	Encourage the development of Tolkien Walk. Request for the vision to be bolder in developing Tolkien link and for Monument Road, Icknield Road and Freeth Street crescent to be joined to form a wider walk. Advocate for a culture and arts hub to be included.	Comments noted. This section of the masterplan has been updated to cover celebrating the reservoir more widely but still refers to historic features such as the towers and the potential for a trail to be developed. The specifics of any heritage and culture trail will be developed as part of that individual project's delivery.	The masterplan has been updated to highlight several opportunities that would be suitable for uses such as a cultural and arts hub.
2 individuals	Support. Suggests a Tolkien/Lord of the Rings Museum and statues.	Welcome support This section of the masterplan has been updated to cover celebrating the reservoir more widely but still refers to historic features such as the towers.	No changes required. Proposals for cultural uses and public art would be in keeping with the masterplan vision but this level of detail is not considered appropriate.
Individual	Support. Suggests extension to Sarehole Mill for a 'Tolkien Tour'.	Comments noted. This section of the masterplan has been updated to cover celebrating the reservoir more widely but still refers to historic features such as the towers and the potential for a trail to be developed. The specifics of any heritage and culture trail will be developed as part of the delivery of the individual project.	No changes required.

Individual	Support. Would like to see the blue plaques dedicated to Tolkien on Hagley Road included in the plan.	Comments noted. Request outside the scope of the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Believes Tolkien family will be in disagreement about the use of the name.	Comments noted. This section of the masterplan has been updated to cover celebrating the reservoir more widely but still refers to historic features such as the towers.	The name of this section of the masterplan has been changed to 'Celebrating the Reservoir'.
Individual	Improvements to wider area are needed for Tolkien Walk to be appealing.	Comments noted.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests information about the history of the reservoir.	Suggestion welcome.	The 'Celebrating the Reservoir' section highlights the opportunity for information boards that celebrate the social history, people and communities that have shaped the reservoir as well as the built and natural assets.
Individual	Not in support. Recommends cost/benefit to be examined in terms of value to the citizens of Birmingham.	Comments noted. These points will be considered through the delivery of individual projects.	No changes required.
Individual	General support. Criticism that the history of operations of the reservoir is under-represented. Suggests archaeological investigation and that Charles Blondin statue should be revived for public art.	Comments noted.	References to the operational role of the reservoir have been enhanced in the context section. The opportunity to relocate the Blondin statue has been included within the 'Celebrating the Reservoir' section.
Individual	Supports the link to Tolkien. Suggests Perrott's Folly and Edgbaston Waterworks to be open as attractions for visitors. Not in	Comments noted. Any development that impacts on listed buildings will only be supported if it accords with the relevant	No changes required.

	support of culturally significant sites for 'residential-led' private developments. Requests a new strictly public square, over private garden, as it needs to be a welcoming space with the focus on the heritage asset, a new community hub. Acknowledges the difficulty of Perrott's Folly as it falls out of the Masterplan area.	policies and plans that look to protect and enhance historic features.	
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Connectivity

Consultee	Representation Summary	Officer Response	Proposed Changes to SPD
36 Individuals	General support for the approach towards connectivity.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
9 Individuals	Agree that the connectivity to and around the reservoir is key.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
4 Individuals	Supports improvements to connectivity so long as the reservoir remains accessible for free and for all.	Comments noted. The purpose of the masterplan is to improve access and facilities for all.	Additional references have been included to the reservoir belonging to everyone.
3 Individuals	Concerns that the improvements will mean you are no longer able to walk or run all the way around the reservoir.	Comments noted. The masterplan is clear that the walkway around the reservoir will be maintained and improved. Where the construction of proposals means that access arrangements around the reservoir will be temporary restricted in parts – all effort will be made to ensure this impact is minimised.	No changes required.

5 Individuals	Supports improvements to connectivity so long as the green spaces and biodiversity are protected.	Agree with comments.	The approach towards sustainability and the protection of the natural environment have been strengthened throughout the masterplan – including a new Development Principle on ‘Sustainability’.
18 Individuals	Supports the improvements in the walking route around and to the reservoir	Welcome Support.	No changes required.
30 Individuals	Connectivity is not an issue – no changes are needed.	Comments noted. There are clear access issues that impact the reservoir, including the provision of car parking. In order to ensure the reservoir remains accessible to all and is a facility that can meet everyone’s needs, improvements are needed to the entrances, path in front of the former Tower Ballroom site and wider connectivity to public transport, surrounding residential areas, the city centre and the canal.	No changes required.
4 Individuals	Supports improvements to the paths but does not want more visitors.	Comments noted. The reservoir is a unique attraction that offers opportunities to experience nature, water activities and other leisure pursuits. It should be made accessible and welcoming to all.	No changes required.
2 Individuals	Does not want tarmac paths as they should be natural.	Comments noted. The treatment of the paths ensures the reservoir is accessible for all and that the paths can be maintained in the future. The previous approach to the paths lead to uneven surfaces, erosions and flooding in places.	No changes required.

3 Individuals	Request the council work with the community to understand how they access and connect with the reservoir.	Comments noted. The council has been working with the community members of the Community Partnership Forum on redrafting the masterplan to ensure that the experiences and views of the local community are better reflected in the masterplan.	The masterplan has been updated to include Community Principles to embed the spirit of community involvement into the document.
6 Individuals	Request that improvements are made to how accessible the site is for those using wheelchairs.	Comments noted. Several of the improvements already being made, such as the pathway improvements will improve accessibility. Further improvements to the access points and the walkway in front of the former Tower Ballroom site will improve accessibility further. The masterplan also looks to address the level changes between the reservoir and Port Loop. Individual proposals will be expected to design schemes that are fully in accordance with the latest accessibility requirements.	The masterplan has been updated to include a reference to being accessible for all.
3 Individuals	Access for parents with prams needs to be considered.	Comments noted. Several of the improvements already being made, such as the pathway improvements will improve accessibility. Further improvements to the access points and the walkway in front of the former Tower Ballroom site will improve accessibility further.	No changes required.

3 Individuals	Concerns about the general safety of walking routes and a suggestion this needs to be addressed in order to make the reservoir accessible.	Comments noted. The council is aware that safety is a key reason why some people are reluctant to walk and cycle, so are eager to address these issues. Through bringing more activity and natural surveillance from residential uses the reservoir will be safer. The introduction of lighting at the reservoir will be supported where it does not impact on the natural environment.	The masterplan includes further references to the need to create a safe and welcoming environment.
21 Individuals, Angling Trust	Measures are needed to control anti-social behaviour and provide safe and secure parking.	Comments noted. The city council is aware of the issues around anti-social behaviour at the existing car park and looks to address these through the proposals for the car park in the masterplan.	The masterplan proposes that this car park is greened and only used for events. The masterplan states that any car parking provided to serve the reservoir will be located away from the water, have natural surveillance and management arrangements in place.
13 individuals	Support for the closure of the current car park as it feels safer.	Welcome support.	The proposal to close the car park has been further highlighted in the masterplan.
3 individuals	Support the greening of the existing car park.	Welcome support.	The proposals to green the car park have been further highlighted in the masterplan.
12 Individuals	Agree that parking should be away from the water.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
Individual	Current closed car park could be turned into children's play area.	Comments noted. The masterplan does not propose to provide play facilities on the car park – however should proposals for play facilities or other activities come forward that complement the retention of the existing Osler Street Park facilities this would be in keeping with vision and activities supported in the masterplan.	No changes required.

3 individuals	Suggestion that existing car park is reopened.	Comments noted. The masterplan proposes to green the existing car park rather than reopen it. The location of car parking next to the water is not considered to optimise the water setting and enhance the reservoir. The lack of natural surveillance is also a contributing factor to anti-social behaviour.	No changes required.
6 Individuals	Request some parking close to water for those with limited mobility.	Comments noted. It is recognised that appropriate parking will need to be provided to meet the needs of those with limited mobility. The location and amount will be determined through the detailed proposals for each of the opportunity areas.	No changes required.
3 individuals	Request there is parking so people can enjoy the view from their cars.	Comments noted. It is considered that the provision of improved public realm, seating and observations points should be prioritised over the provision of car parking spaces close to the water for this purpose as these would be accessible to all.	No changes required.
7 Individuals	Request that there is sufficient car parking provision at the reservoir for people to be able to visit by car.	Comments noted. The Connectivity section of the masterplan sets out the approach to car parking stating that a balanced approach will be taken to ensure that those who need to access the reservoir via car are able to do so but that sustainable modes of transport are encouraged to ensure the reservoir is not dominated by cars and parking.	Further detail has been added to the Connectivity section and the Planning Policy section to set out the overall approach towards car parking at the reservoir.

6 Individuals	Request that car parking is paved, and entrances improved.	Comments noted. The treatment of car parking will be determined as part of the detailed proposals for individual schemes.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggestion Reservoir House is demolished and used for car parking.	Comments noted. At present the council does not support this suggestion. Reservoir House adds to the character of the reservoir and could provide an important contribution to activity at the site.	No changes required.
Individual	Question if the council will charge for the parking.	Comments noted. It is not appropriate for the masterplan to set out the details of a car parking regime for the reservoir. However, it is likely that some form of management will be in place to ensure that any car parking is used appropriately and can be maintained.	No changes required.
4 Individuals	Parking needs to be charged to discourage people from driving to the reservoir.	Comments noted. It is not appropriate for the masterplan to set out the details of a car parking regime for the reservoir. However, it is likely that some form of management will be in place to ensure that any car parking is used appropriately and can be maintained.	No changes required.
3 Individuals	Parking needs to be improved but large numbers of cars should not be encouraged due to the damage to the environment.	Comments noted. Agree, a balanced approach is needed to ensure the natural environment is not impacted upon by the number of cars visiting the site.	No changes required.
Individual	Parking for water clubs should be improved.	Comments noted. The council will continue to work with the water clubs to ensure that the individual schemes and	No changes required.

		improvements to the reservoir provide an appropriate amount of parking to ensure that water clubs can continue to operate from the reservoir.	
5 Individuals	Parking should be affordable.	Comments noted. It is not appropriate for the masterplan to set out the details of a car parking regime for the reservoir. However, it is likely that some form of management will be in place to ensure that any car parking is used appropriately and can be maintained.	No changes required.
11 Individuals	Parking should be free to encourage people to visit.	Comments noted. It is not appropriate for the masterplan to set out the details of a car parking regime for the reservoir. However, it is likely that some form of management will be in place to ensure that any car parking is used appropriately and can be maintained.	No changes required.
2 Individuals	Parking should include electric car charging points.	Comments noted. Reference to the inclusion of car changing points has been included in the masterplan.	Reference to the inclusion of car changing points has been included in the masterplan.
2 Individuals	Suggestion of an underground car park.	Comments noted. Where appropriate, reference to underground car parking has been included under individual opportunities.	Where appropriate, reference to underground car parking has been included under individual opportunities.
Individual	Suggests the car park is relocated the away from the Reservoir Road entrance and over to the area of brownfield land off Ickniel Port Road, using the new Tolkien Trail to lead people towards the Promenade	Suggestion noted. At present there are no proposals to use car parking sites away from the reservoir. The masterplan proposes to green the existing car park.	No changes required.

	Loop. This would then allow the old car park to be broken up and redeveloped into a permanent beach area with real sand.		
Crime Commissioner West Midlands Police	Requests that any new car parks, or retro-fitted/redevelopment of car parks are encouraged to achieve the National Police Chiefs' Council (NPCC) 'Park Mark.'	Comments noted. This level of detail would not be appropriate for the masterplan. Any car parking provided will be in accordance with the latest planning policy and guidance.	No changes required.
4 Individuals	Suggestion that no parking is provided to encourage walking and cycling.	Comments noted. Agree that there is a need to encourage walking and cycling along with providing car parking for those who require the use of a private car to access the reservoir.	No changes required.
8 Individuals	Suggestion that no vehicles are allowed within the masterplan boundary in order to protect its character.	Comments noted. Agree that the movement of vehicles in and around the reservoir site needs to be managed to ensure it is not car-dominated.	No changes required.
11 Individuals	Request that priority is given to improving routes for pedestrians and public transport over the provision of car parking.	Comments noted. Agree with this approach towards prioritisation.	The masterplan takes this approach and looks to promote sustainable modes of transport above car use. This element has been highlighted further in the 'Connectivity' section of the masterplan.
Individual	Request for a city-wide approach to promoting sustainable modes of transport and reducing car dominance and parking.	Comments noted. The recently adopted Car Parking SPD and Transport Plan provide this city-wide approach and have been reflected in the masterplan.	No changes required.
4 Individuals	The movement of cars needs to be controlled to ensure pedestrians are safe and that cars do not dominate.	Comments noted. Agree that the movement of vehicles in and around the reservoir site needs to be managed to ensure it is not car-dominated.	No changes required.

Individual	The reservoir is not suitable for large numbers of cyclists.	Comments noted. The masterplan makes it clear that the walkway around the reservoir is a shared surface.	No changes required.
25 Individuals and North Edgbaston Residents Action group	Concerns about the conflict between cyclists and pedestrians. Measures are needed to address this issue.	Comments noted. The masterplan makes it clear that the walkway around the reservoir is a shared surface.	No changes required.
6 Individuals	Cycle and pedestrian paths need to be separate.	Comments noted. The pathways around the reservoir are not wide enough to have separate cycling and pedestrian routes. Where possible throughout the city, the council is working on a programme of delivering segregated cycle paths.	No changes required.
Individual	Request that cycle paths are suitable for adapted bikes.	Comments noted. The path improvements delivered at the reservoir will be suitable for adapted bikes for disabled users and the council is eager to work with any organisations that encourage the use of these bikes at the reservoir.	The masterplan has been updated to include reference to the use of the loop for adaptive bikes for disabled cycling being welcomed.
3 Individuals	Improvements are needed to the signage to direct people to the reservoir.	Agree that signage improvements are needed.	The masterplan identifies routes that need enhancement and part of their improvements will include signage and wayfinding.
8 Individuals	Request for the provision of cycle parking docks.	Agree that this is important.	The masterplan has been updated to refer to the provision of cycle parking facilities
Individual	Request for electric bike charging points.	Agree that this is important.	The masterplan has been updated to refer to the provision of cycle parking facilities. This could include facilities such as electric bike charging points.

3 Individuals	Request for marked cycle paths.	Comments noted. The pathways around the reservoir are not wide enough to have separate cycling and pedestrian routes. Where possible throughout the city the council is working on a programme of delivering segregated cycle paths.	No changes required.
16 Individuals	Support for linking to the cycle routes and improvements to cycle infrastructure.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
2 Individuals	Request for cycle route along the canal to the city centre and along Hagley Road.	Comments noted. The Canal & River Trust have invested in the canal pathway and the route from the reservoir to the city centre is cycle friendly. Further work will be undertaken on linkages to the reservoir from main routes and public transport hubs.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggest a green link or shuttle bus from Hagley Road.	Comments noted. Further work will be undertaken on linkages to the reservoir from main routes and public transport hubs.	No changes required.
3 Individuals	Concerns about the reservoir being used by mopeds and quadbikes.	Concerns noted. The council will work with concerned parties to overcome any issues should this become a reality.	No changes required.
7 individuals	Question if the reservoir is well linked by public transport.	Comments noted. The reservoir is in an area that is well-served by buses and is within walking distance to the city centre but the council recognises further improvements are needed and this is referenced in the connectivity chapter.	No changes required.

CCWMP	Request to be consulted about any transport or connectivity proposals.	Request noted. Consultation will be undertaken in line with the council's established approach and in accordance with any guidance and regulations.	No changes required.
7 Individuals	Suggestion of a bus service from the city centre and a bus stop near the reservoir.	Comments noted. The reservoir is in an area that is well-served by buses and is within walking distance to the city centre but the council recognises further improvements are needed and this is referenced in the connectivity chapter.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggestion that the bus companies should advertise their services and the links to the reservoir.	Comments noted. This is outside the scope of a masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Request that improvements are made to the link between the reservoir and the train station.	Comments noted. The link to the train station has been identified as one of the connections in need of enhancement	The link to the train station has been identified as one of the connections in need to enhancement.
West Midlands Trains	<p>Important that access to the site is optimised by public transport, walking and cycling. West Midlands Trains want to work with the council, National Express and other partners around the 'last mile' access issues and how this key amenity/leisure destination can be reached through active and sustainable travel. Specifically, the issues are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connectivity to Five Ways station as a gateway • Integration with bus and rail – using both central Birmingham and 	Welcome the opportunity to work with West Midlands Trains on improving connectivity.	The Delivery and Management section of the masterplan has been updated to include improvements to wider connectivity and public transport, with West Midlands Trains listed as a partner.

	<p>Five Ways as gateway to reach the reservoir</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integration between rail the strategic cycle network 		
9 Individuals	Suggestion that there should be a new tram route with a stop linking to the reservoir.	Comments noted. At present there are no proposals to run a tram route closer to the reservoir, but the masterplan highlights the need to improve connectivity between the reservoir and the tram route along Hagley Road.	The masterplan has been updated to refer to improved access and signage on existing bus connections on local roads and via key transport hubs, such as the planned Metro and Sprint stops on Hagley Road.
2 individuals	Suggestion of a new train stop near the Port Loop Development.	Comments noted. At present there are no proposals for a new train station near Port Loop. Should one be proposed links between the new stop and the reservoir will be identified for enhancement.	No changes required.
3 Individuals	Request for better signage from public transport to the reservoir.	Suggestion welcomed.	The masterplan has been updated to refer to improved access and signage on existing bus connections on local roads and via key transport hubs, such as the planned Metro and Sprint stops on Hagley Road.
Individual	Request for more entrances around the reservoir.	Comments noted. New entrances have been proposed along the dam wall side of the reservoir and proposals included to improve all other entrances.	New entrances have been proposed along the dam wall side of the reservoir and proposals included to improve all other entrances.
3 Individuals	Suggestion that the reservoir is already congested and there are traffic jams in the area.	Comments noted. The masterplan looks to reduce the need to travel to the reservoir via private car through enhanced accessibility via sustainable modes of transport.	No changes required.

Individual	Suggestion that traffic calming measures are needed to reduce rat running around that area.	Comments noted. This is beyond the scope of the masterplan.	No changes required.
3 Individuals	Concerns about the impact on the road network from additional housing.	Comments noted. The masterplan looks to reduce the need to travel to the reservoir via private car through enhanced accessibility via sustainable modes of transport. The impact of individual schemes and any need for mitigation will be considered at the planning application stage.	No changes required.
14 Individuals	Concerns about the impact of the surrounding road network from additional visitors.	Comments noted. The masterplan looks to reduce the need to travel to the reservoir via private car through enhanced accessibility via sustainable modes of transport. The impact of individual schemes and any need for mitigation will be considered at the planning application stage.	No changes required.
11 Individuals and Preet Gill (MP)	Concerns about the impact increased visitors will have on resident parking and congestion.	Comments noted. The masterplan looks to reduce the need to travel to the reservoir via private car through enhanced accessibility via sustainable modes of transport. The impact of individual schemes and any need for mitigation will be considered at the planning application stage.	No changes required.
2 Individuals	Question if access to the reservoir will be impacted upon by the Clean Air Zone.	Comments noted. The Clean Air Zone has been through its own processes of evidence gathering, consultation and decision making.	No changes required.

Shabana Mahmood (MP)	Request that appropriate levels of car parking are maintained for residents and visitors and that the masterplan includes greater detail to address the issue of car parking.	Comments noted. Some further detail has been added around the broad approach to car parking, but details will need to be determined through individual planning applications.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggestion the council penalises car users.	Comments noted.	No changes required.
2 individuals	Request for resident only parking on surrounding streets.	Comments noted. This is beyond the scope of the masterplan.	No changes required.
5 Individuals	Request that the quality of the footpath around the reservoir is improved.	Welcome suggestion. Improvements to the footpath have been undertaken.	The masterplan has been updated to reflect the recent improvements to the footpath around the reservoir.
Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council - Public Health	Suggestion that the improvements to the footpath and other linkages are delivered before the Clean Air Zone is in place.	Comments noted. The masterplan does not dictate the timings of projects delivery but sets the vision for the reservoir.	No changes required.
3 Individuals	Request for lighting on the paths.	Comments noted.	The masterplan includes references to lighting at entrance points on the proviso that they do not cause an adverse impact on wildlife.
Friends of Edgbaston Reservoir	The reservoir offers a green hub which will link existing and new green corridors which have the potential to break through the concrete and tarmac collar choking the inner city, Dudley Road, Hagley Road, Ladywood Middleway and City Road. The green links from the reservoir currently link up to Harborne Walkway, bus routes and canals.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to reflect these linkages and the connectivity over the dam wall.	The masterplan has been updated to reflect these linkages and the connectivity over the dam wall.

	The possibilities are links to the new Metro route, options to cut across the proposed clean air boundaries , a new link was promised as a walkway from the reservoir down the dam with a new bridge over the canal into Port Loop . This would offer connectivity to the canal and reservoir.		
Friends of Edgbaston Reservoir	The Canal & River Trust linear orchard could also connect to the two community orchards already planted on the reservoir.	Suggestion welcome. This has been included within the masterplan.	The masterplan now includes reference to the potential to include fruit trees and connect to the wider network of community orchards
Individual	Request that improvements are made to the access at the South West of the site.	Comments noted. The masterplan looks to improve access points throughout the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Support a pedestrian link through to Gillott Road.	Comments noted. A pedestrian link from Gillott Road is already in use and the masterplan supports improvements to this entrance.	No changes required.
Bearwood & Hagley Road Business Association	<p>Summerfield Park, Reservoir and Harborne Walkway need to be joined up and looked at as one big resource.</p> <p>Link via Reservoir Road to Monument Road and Hagley Road essential to increase business numbers and regenerate a vital future urban centre.</p>	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to strengthen references to surrounding assets.	The masterplan has been updated to strengthen references to surrounding assets.

Sport England	Connectivity to Summerfield Park should be strengthened as this is a significant asset for sport and physical activity. Whilst a link is shown on plan 4 via Gillott Road, it is recommended that further consideration is given to the works required in this area to create a safe welcoming route for pedestrians and cyclists, and that this is identified as a priority for delivery. The masterplan should make reference to the Active Parks Initiative and the work by The Active Wellbeing Society to activate Summerfield Park. Connectivity to the new Ladywood Leisure Centre should be referenced.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to include references to improving linkages to Summerfield Park and Ladywood Leisure Centre. The activity section includes several possible activities that would support health and wellbeing in line with the aspirations of Sport England.	The masterplan has been updated to include references to improving linkages to Summerfield Park and Ladywood Leisure Centre. The activity section includes several possible activities that would support health and wellbeing in line with the aspirations of Sport England.
Individual	More focus should be given to the entrance point near the sailing club.	Comments noted. Further detail has been added around how this entrance should be enhanced.	Further detail has been added around how this entrance should be enhanced.
3 Individuals	Wider connection, including those to Harborne Walkway should be highlighted and improved.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to strengthen references to surrounding assets.	The masterplan has been updated to strengthen references to surrounding assets.
Bearwood & Hagley Road Business Association	Too much focus is on the Port Loop development – further consideration is needed to linkages to other housing areas.	Comments noted. The connectivity map shows pathways and connection across all areas of the reservoir.	No changes required.
3 Individuals	Concerns about the safety of Harborne Walkway and requests for its improvement.	Comments noted. The walkway is outside of the masterplan boundary;	No changes required.

		therefore, no detailed proposals have been included on the walkway.	
3 individuals	Concerns about the loss of the pathways and cycle route through Osler Street Park.	Concerns noted. Osler Street Park – and therefore the pathways and cycle route - is now proposed to be retained and protected.	Osler Street Park is now retained and protected in the masterplan.
Individual	Osler Street Park provides a space for communities to connect.	Concerns noted. Osler Street Park is now proposed to be retained and protected.	Osler Street Park is now retained and protected in the masterplan.
10 Individuals	Support for improved linkages to the Port Loop development from the canal to the reservoir.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests that the links through Port Loop are a generous width and separate from the road.	Comments noted. This will be determined at the planning application stage.	No changes required.
Urban Splash	Welcomes the aspiration to enhance connectivity. We are keen to ensure that the proposed improvements, including walking and cycling routes that connect the Promenade loop, Tolkien Walk, the canal and new development blocks will link into those proposed as part of the Port Loop scheme. The proposed Canal Link is an important connection. It will be important that the SPD is clear that the lines of routes shown on the plan are indicative only and should not be taken as literal lines to be followed as part of any future detailed design work.	Support welcomed and comments around the need for flexibility are noted. The links shown on the plans are indicative to show the areas in which new connectivity will be delivered.	Where appropriate the masterplan has been updated to reflect the most recent planning position for the Port Loop site.

	The proposed Tolkien Walk is supported. However, where this route passes through the Port Loop scheme, it will be important to ensure that there is sufficient flexibility within the SPD to allow for this route to evolve in its alignment as part of any future detailed design work. We would be very keen to work with the council on the development of this route and vital link between the Reservoir, Canal Basin and Port Loop.		
The Scout Association – Birmingham	Support the proposals. Pathways need to be wide enough for the transportation of canoes, kayaks and paddle boards between the water centre.	Comments noted. Access from all the water facilities to the water has been a key consideration when determining their location at the reservoir. Details on path width will be determined at the planning application stage.	No changes required.
3 individuals	Support for the use of historical trails to improve connectivity.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
Bearwood & Hagley Road Business Association	Tolkien Walk needs to extend to key Hagley Road sites and better appeal to the Hagley Road hotel corridor.	Comments noted. The specifics of any heritage and culture trail will be developed as part of the delivery of the individual project.	No changes required.
10 individuals	Improved links to the canal network are needed.	Comments noted. The masterplan includes several references to improving access to the canal network.	No changes required.
5 Individuals	Support for water taxi and narrow boat stops at the reservoir	Support welcomed.	No changes required.

Canal & River Trust	The routes shown in the master plan area need to link to other networks of routes beyond for a greater distance to demonstrate travel to places further away, including particular destinations, can be easily achieved. Quick wins such as an improved pedestrian link to Summerfield Park and links to Port Loop and the wider Ladywood area should be seen as a priority for delivery. The Trust is seeking green flag status for much of its network, with the support of local community engagement and access improvements. It would be appropriate for the reservoir improvements to include an ambition for green flag status and achieving the criteria for this would again prove beneficial to the overall regeneration and promotion of the reservoir and its surroundings and increase its attractiveness to new users.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to strengthen references to surrounding assets. Reference to the Green Flag award has also now been included.	The masterplan has been updated to strengthen references to surrounding assets. Reference to the Green Flag award has also now been included.
Canal & River Trust and Sport England	Request reference to the Roundhouse as this will provide a hub for cycle hire.	Suggestion welcome. Reference to the Roundhouse has been included in the masterplan.	Reference to the Roundhouse has been included in the masterplan.
2 Individuals	Request for distance marking around the loop path for runners.	Suggestion noted. This idea would be in keeping with the vision of the masterplan and the proposals within the activity section, therefore any proposals to	No changes required.

		implement this would be supported in principle. However, it has not been included as it is considered too much detail for the document.	
Individual	Request for shorter walks and seating.	Suggestion noted. The shape of the reservoir makes the introduction of shorter walks a challenge. The masterplan includes seating as part of the proposals for improved public realm.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggest the plan includes buildings/walkways that can deal with the change of levels and provide access to the reservoir from the bottom of the dam to the top in a creative way.	Suggestion welcome. The masterplan has been updated to make reference to development at the canal basin exploring the potential of creating a direct link to the reservoir over the dam wall. This should be a distinctive feature of innovative design and local character that protects the heritage and structural integrity of the dam wall.	The masterplan has been updated to make reference to development at the canal basin exploring the potential of creating a direct link to the reservoir over the dam wall. This should be a distinctive feature of innovative design and local character that protects the heritage and structural integrity of the dam wall.
2 Individuals	Concerns about access for boat users if the club moves.	Concerns noted. The masterplan now looks to retain the sailing club in their current location.	The masterplan now looks to retain the sailing club in their current location.
8 Individuals	Question how the different activities and water users will be managed. Parking needs to be designed with boat users in mind.	Concerns noted. There is a water user agreement to address this issue and any parking arrangements will be discussed with the existing users.	No changes required.
Individual	Consideration needs to be given to access for events.	Comment noted. The greened car park will provide space for events and for additional parking when necessary.	The masterplan has been updated to include a proposal to green the existing car park but have it available for events and for additional parking when necessary.

Individual	Concerns about the conflict between water users and members of the public using the footpath.	Concerns noted. The water users are remaining in their existing locations reducing the potential for conflict.	No changes required.
6 Individuals	Question how it will be delivered and maintained.	Concerns noted. The delivery section has been updated to provide further detail.	The delivery section has been updated to provide further detail.
Individual	Concern that there will be a charge to walk around the reservoir.	Concerns noted. The masterplan is very clear that the vision is to enhance accessibility to the reservoir and that the site belongs to everyone. There are no proposals for an entrance fee to the open space.	No changes required.
Individual	Request that no vehicles are able to drive around the reservoir.	Comment noted. Other than the vehicle used by Parks and emergency vehicles, there is no vehicle access around the loop of the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Concerns that the proposed new development will block connectivity.	Concerns noted. The plans within the document show clearly how connectivity will be delivered throughout the reservoir.	No changes required.
9 Individuals	More detail is required.	Noted.	Further detail has been added to the connectivity section.
Individual	Question why these measures are not already in place.	Noted. Some of these have been implemented already and where appropriate the masterplan makes this clear.	No changes required.
4 Individuals	Question what the term high-quality public realm means.	Noted. The masterplan included precedent images to help bring alive the aspirations for high-quality public realm at the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Question the economic viability of bike hire.	Noted. This would be for the provider to determine but since the last version of	No changes required.

		the masterplan was published bike hire has been made available throughout the city.	
Individual	Request the council talk to the Active Wellbeing Society about their bike scheme and how successful it was.	Noted.	No changes required.
Individual	Request for a way to better interact with the water for those with mobility issues, such as a ramp.	Noted. The existing water users have been making improvements to their facilities in order to better facilitate access to the water. The potential of a pontoon could also provide an opportunity for improved access.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggests the council explores a hydraulic railway that runs up and down the inclined face of the dam, connecting the reservoir with the Icknield Port Loop housing development.	Suggestion noted. At present there is insufficient detail around such a proposal to include this in the masterplan. The potential impact on the structure and historic character of the dam wall would need to be fully considered. The document does include a reference to innovative design being needed to address the barrier of the dam wall. This would allow any such proposal to be considered in line with the masterplan.	The masterplan has been updated to make reference to development at the canal basin exploring the potential of creating a direct link to the reservoir over the dam wall. This should be a distinctive feature of innovative design and local character that protects the heritage and structural integrity of the dam wall.
Marine Society and Sea Cadets (MSSC)	Concerned about the proposed situation and detailing of this raised walkway and how this will impact on their building and activity. MSSC welcomes the recognition that the provision of boat, trailer and minibus parking facilities will need to be	Comments noted. The raised walkway is no longer proposed, and the city council has been working with MSSC on their planning application to ensure it aligns with the proposals in the masterplan.	The raised walkway is no longer proposed.

	delivered to meet the needs of activity providers. Locally, bus and sustainable transport routes are welcomed.		
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Activity

Consultee	Representation Summary	Officer Response	Proposed Changes to SPD
29 individuals 12 out of the 29 individuals	In support of development. Concern over accessibility of resources, including cost/fees. Suggest discount for local residents to prevent impact of gentrification.	Support welcomed and comments noted. The masterplan vision makes it clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone. There are numerous opportunities that will be accessible for all the community such as improved public realm, public open space and spaces for community activity.	No changes required.
Individual	Request more information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Will access be free or low cost for locals - What will be lost and gained - Community facilities proposed for local groups 	Comments noted. The masterplan vision makes it clear the reservoir belongs to everyone. There are numerous opportunities that will be accessible for all the community such as improved public realm, public open space and spaces for community activity. The masterplan is flexible and supports a wide range of uses as long as they meet the vision and do not have a negative impact on the Local Nature Reserve. The detail of the types and amount of different uses will come forward at the planning application stage.	The masterplan has been updated to provide more detail on the facilities at the Selwyn Playing Field. It also details the policy in the BDP which states the former Tower Ballroom building and land is allocated to provide residential commercial and community facilities.
Individual	In support of development. Suggests concessions of 20-40% for children	Support welcomed. The masterplan vision makes it clear that the reservoir	No changes required.

	from low-income families and those battling childhood obesity.	belongs to everyone. There are numerous opportunities that will be accessible for all the community such as improved public realm, public open space and spaces for community activity. It is beyond the remit of the masterplan to determine and control the cost of activities at the reservoir.	
2 individuals	Argue the site is not a suitable location for a regional leisure resource. Concern that increased visitor numbers will drive locals away. General criticism that local views were not sought prior to drawing up of the vision.	Comments noted. The masterplan vision makes it clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone. There are numerous opportunities that will be accessible for all the community such as improved public realm, public open space and spaces for community activity. Extensive frontloading discussions were undertaken with key stakeholders prior to the consultation.	The masterplan has been updated to remove reference to it becoming a regional leisure destination.
Individual	Support for inclusivity and accessibility.	Comments noted. The masterplan vision makes it clear the reservoir belongs to everyone. There are numerous opportunities that will be accessible for all the community such as improved public realm, public open space and spaces for community activity.	No changes required.
17 individuals	Not in support of a sports hub due to concern it will price-out existing water sport users and force them to move or relocate.	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with existing water users to understand their requirements and fully supports their operation, in	The masterplan has been amended and clearly states that existing water users can remain in their current location.

		particular their community outreach work.	
32 individuals	<p>Request open water swimming provision. The following reasons have been given in support of open water swimming:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benefits for mental health and well-being • Open to all socio-economic backgrounds • Other local authorities have supported it • Growing in popularity <p>Acknowledge supervision may be required.</p>	<p>Comments noted. Following discussion with council's Parks team and the existing water user groups, it has been decided that promoting open water swimming in the masterplan would not be appropriate. The reservoir is deep and very cold in parts. There is also the risk of possible collisions with water sport users. The use of the reservoir by an established swimming group would be in keeping with the vision and principles in the masterplan. Any formal proposals should be discussed with the council's Parks team.</p>	No changes required.
Individual	Request open water swimming, a lido, windsurfing and cycling provision.	<p>Comments noted. See above for response on swimming.</p> <p>The masterplan is flexible to enable a variety of activity to take place at the reservoir as long as it meets the vision.</p>	No changes required.
Individual	Support redevelopment but concerned about the impact activities will have on the Local Nature Reserve.	Support welcomed and comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to

			protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.
116 individuals	<p>Support development. Suggested uses are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Café / restaurant / bar • Toilets • Community space for outreach, projects and classes • Co-working space • Art and music event space • Cultural venue • Visitor centre • Conference facility • Local shops • Museum/ MAC style • Allotments/urban agriculture • Bird watching • Wildlife promotion/educational facilities, including educational signage/trails • Guided walks • Family-friendly activities • Outdoor children's play facilities • Group activity, classes • Picnic space 	<p>Support welcomed. The detail of the types and amount of different uses will come forward at the planning application stage. The Activity section of the masterplan details a broad range of activities will be encouraged to meet the needs of the diverse population.</p>	<p>The masterplan has been updated with an additional chapter 'Celebrating the Reservoir' which encourages a range of uses at the reservoir.</p> <p>The masterplan has been updated to state that all activity will be required to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve and deliver the masterplan vision.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased seating, especially for the elderly 		
3 individuals	Not in support of events with music or large crowds due to disruption to tranquillity. Concerned about increased litter and impact on wildlife.	Comments noted. The use of music at events and large crowds cannot be controlled by the masterplan. The masterplan clearly states that any activity will be required to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve setting.	<p>The masterplan has been updated to reflect the need for the tranquil atmosphere of the reservoir to be protected this includes protecting key views and the open feeling at the reservoir and ensuring there are areas for quiet reflection at the reservoir.</p> <p>The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.</p>
13 individuals	In support of development but have strong concerns around the impact on biodiversity and tranquillity. State that a balance is needed between proposed and existing uses.	Support welcomed. Agree that a balance is needed, the masterplan has been amended to strengthen guidance.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to

			protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.
Individual	In support of development. Suggested use of café and restaurant.	Support welcomed. The Activity section of the masterplan details a broad range of activities will be encouraged to meet the needs of the diverse population. The detail of the types and amount of different uses will come forward at the planning application stage.	No changes required.
Individual	In support of development. Suggests the sailing club could be a hub with a restaurant/cafe and community area.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
3 individuals	In support of development but requests the reservoir remains dog friendly.	Support welcomed. The masterplan states that the reservoir is enjoyed by dog walkers.	No changes required.
20 individuals	Not in support of development or additional activities as existing activities and facilities are suitable.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The activity section clearly states that all activity will be required to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve setting.
2 individuals	This section is too vague. More information required about what activities will be provided.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to provide more information on the types of activities that would be supported and the need for all activity at the reservoir to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve.

Individual	In support of development. Feels increased activity will improve safety.	Support welcomed. The masterplan aims to create a safe, welcoming environment with housing providing activity in the evening and increased natural surveillance.	No changes required.
21 individuals	Not in support. Already plenty of activity and increasing it will disrupt the tranquillity of the reservoir.	Comments noted. The masterplan looks to encourage a wide range of uses for the diverse community without having a negative impact on the natural environment.	The masterplan has been updated to reflect the need for the tranquil atmosphere of the reservoir to be protected. It has also been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The activity section clearly states that all activity will be required to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve setting.
2 individuals	In support. Would like to see a man-made beach.	Support welcomed. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses. However, it is unlikely a man-made beach would be acceptable as the reservoir is not considered suitable for swimming.	No changes required.
North Edgbaston Residents Action Group	In support of development. Interest in urban beach facility/BBQ space which would encourage more families. Concern over lack of mention of toilets and their maintenance.	Support welcomed. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses suitable for families. However, it is unlikely a man-made beach would be acceptable as the reservoir is not considered suitable for swimming.	No changes required.
Individual	In support of development. Requests bike hire, lockers, toilets and water fountains.	Support welcomed. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses and states the need to have appropriate	No changes required.

		facilities such as toilets. Further details will come forward at the planning application stage.	
Individual	Not in support. Concerns about biodiversity and the Local Nature Reserve. Recommends it is kept as a green space.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The activity section clearly states that all activity will be required to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve setting.
Individual	In support. Would like boat hiring available.	Support welcomed. The masterplan supports the community outreach work of the existing water clubs and is flexible enough for additional water activity to be provide at the reservoir, providing it supports the masterplan vision. Consideration would need to be given to the relationship between any additional water sports provision and the existing water users to ensure that all uses complement each other.	No changes required.
2 individuals	In support of development. Request fishing is kept as a free activity.	Support welcomed. The masterplan does not include plans to make people pay to fish at the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	In support. States that activity should encourage wildlife.	Support welcomed and comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to state all activity will be required to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve setting. The Local Nature Reserve Management Plan for Edgbaston Reservoir has been updated to

			include a clear set of objectives the council can work towards with stakeholders and partners. The masterplan references the need for the Management Plan to be read in conjunction with the masterplan. The masterplan has been updated to include guidance on how the natural environment can be protected and enhanced.
2 individuals	In support. Request storage for runners and cyclists.	Support welcomed. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses and states the need to have appropriate facilities for such activities. This could include storage for runners and cyclists. Further details will come forward at the planning application stage.	No changes required.
17 individuals	General support.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
Urban Splash	In support for a mix of uses to create a visitor destination, with uses that support and complement planned activity at Port Loop. Keen to ensure that the SPD provides the flexibility for the range of uses to be delivered in the Port Loop area. In support for the mix of land and water uses in order to facilitate the provision of a green leisure destination. Request water taxi stops as a possible consideration.	Support welcomed. The masterplan is flexible and supports a broad range of uses and activities as long as they do not harm the Local Nature reserve.	The masterplan has been updated to provide a water taxi stop shown on the connectivity plan.
2 individuals	In support. Request existing play area is incorporated into plans.	Support welcomed.	The masterplan has been updated to clearly state Osler Street Park will be retained as an important open space with play facilities.

			Additional guidance details how the park can be enhanced and protected and outlines the importance of creating visual and physical connections through the development on the former Tower Ballroom site to connect the park to the wider reservoir so it can be enjoyed by residents and visitors.
Sport England	In support. Welcomes the creation of a leisure and recreation hub that could deliver water sports and wider physical activity. Supports the creation of ancillary facilities such as a café and bike repair shop. Suggests considering commercial uses such as a gym. Requests that the masterplan includes a paragraph to explain the importance of enhancing accessibility for all, inclusive provision.	Support welcomed and comments noted. The masterplan is flexible and supports a range of uses. A gym would be an appropriate use and the detail would come forward through a planning application.	The masterplan vision has been updated to state the reservoir should be accessible to everyone.
Individual	In support. Suggests outside BBQ space.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests place for sunbathing.	Comments noted. The masterplan vision makes it clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone. The public open space will be protected for people to enjoy.	No changes required.
West Midlands Police	General support. Welcomes the family centred vision and suggests family-friendly activities. State that for a successful evening economy it is important to have a variety facility to ensure a safe, accessible and	Support welcomed. The masterplan aims to create a safe, welcoming environment with housing providing activity in the evening and increased natural surveillance. The installation of CCTV	The masterplan has been updated to provide more detail regarding lighting.

	inclusive environment. Request improved lighting and CCTV coverage where appropriate.	would come forward through a planning application.	
The Active Wellbeing Society	Welcomes the opportunity to work with planning officers. Storage / lockers and toilet facilities are supported.	Support welcomed. The council is committed to working with stakeholders and partners on the delivery and implementation of the plan.	No changes required.
3 individuals	In support. Request free taster activities to encourage new people.	Support welcomed. The provision of free activity taster sessions is beyond the remit of the masterplan.	No changes required.
6 individuals	In support. Requests good quality cycling, walking and running facilities.	Support welcomed. The masterplan includes the aim to improve cycling and walking facilities.	No changes required.
3 individuals	In support. Encouragement and support should be provided to existing groups.	Support welcomed. The council has worked closely with existing users and is committed to supporting their operation, in particular their outreach work with local communities.	No changes required.
Individual	In support. Support for improved accessibility for wheelchair users and pushchairs.	Support welcomed. The pathway improvement works completed since the consultation was undertaken have improved accessibility. The masterplan provides detail on the next stage of the works to complete the loop to make it fully accessible around the perimeter of the water. Details and requirements for individual buildings will come forward at the planning application stage.	The masterplan has been updated to state spaces must be accessible to all with accessible facilities for the local community.
Individual	In support. Requests that the site is added to the marathon route.	Support welcomed. Adding the reservoir to the marathon route is beyond the remit of the masterplan, although it is	No changes required.

		likely the volume of runners would have a negative impact on the Local Nature Reserve and would therefore not be supported.	
4 individuals	In support. Suggests advertising the events and facilities more.	Support welcomed. Advertising events is beyond the remit of the masterplan, although the masterplan does not preclude this from happening.	No changes required.
Individual	In support. Leisure facilities should not be large-scale.	Support welcomed.	The masterplan has been updated to remove reference to it becoming a regional leisure destination.
Individual	In support of nature sensitive improvements for walking but disagrees with developing the waterfront.	Support welcomed. The Tower Ballroom is a brownfield (previously developed) site that is allocated for housing development in the Birmingham Development Plan. The purpose of this masterplan is to ensure the site is developed for housing, along with other uses that will complement the water setting and provide facilities for all the community while protecting the natural environment.	The masterplan has been amended to make it clear that future development will be set back from the waterfront.
Individual	In support. Activities and access should be inclusive.	Support welcomed. The masterplan vision makes it clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone. There are numerous opportunities that will be accessible for all the community such as improved public realm, public open space and spaces for community activity.	No changes required.

2 individuals	In support. Requests area for ball games and picnics.	Support welcomed. The masterplan states that open space should be protected and enhanced.	The masterplan has been updated to make clear Osler Street Park will be retained as an important open space with play facilities. Additional guidance details how the park can be enhanced and protected and outlines the importance of creating visual and physical connections through the development on the former Tower Ballroom site to connect the park to the wider reservoir so it can be enjoyed by residents and visitors.
Bearwood and Hagley Road Business Association	In support. Requests the inclusion of a cultural facility and space for business innovation. Suggests modelling the Tower Ballroom site on the MAC. Regarding Severn Trent Site - state that it would be better suited to a business destination or an academic campus/innovation hub that would support the development of the Midland Metropolitan Hospital. The former Tower Ballroom could serve as a cultural hub for arts and theatrical activity. Would also like to see this local offer attracting more tourists. Not in support of housing provision on the edge of the reservoir itself. Concern that partially gated or closed communities will develop a sense of ownership which can create tension with neighbours and visitors	Support welcomed. The masterplan vision makes it clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone. There are numerous opportunities that will be accessible for all the community such as improved public realm, public open space and spaces for community activity. The masterplan is flexible to enable a variety of uses to be delivered on the Tower Ballroom site alongside housing. Both the Tower Ballroom and Severn Trent Site are allocated for housing in the Birmingham Development Plan. This document underwent extensive public consultation and examination. The detail of types of uses will come forward at the planning application stage.	The masterplan has been updated with a new section: 'Celebrating the Reservoir'. This section provides information on activities such as walking trails that has the potential to attract more tourists. The masterplan has also been updated to provide more information on proposals on the former Tower Ballroom site including urban design guidance, this includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setting development back from the waters' edge with a publicly accessible walkway of approximately seventeen to twenty metres • Showing clear publicly-accessible routes through the development

	over time, which has the potential to impact future events and festivals taking place on and around the reservoir.		
Individual	Not in support of noisy water sports.	Comments noted. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses to support physical and mental health and well-being as long as it does not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve.	The masterplan has been updated to clearly state that any activity at the reservoir must not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve.
Individual	Not in support of powered watercraft except for safety boats.	Comments noted. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses to support physical and mental health and well-being as long as it does not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve.	The masterplan has been updated to clearly state that any activity at the reservoir must not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve.
5 individuals	Not in support of powered boats.	Comments noted. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses to support physical and mental health and well-being as long as it does not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve.	The masterplan has been updated to clearly state that any activity at the reservoir must not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve.
3 individuals	Not in support of powered boats or zip lines.	Comments noted. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses to support physical and mental health and well-being as long as it does not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve.	The masterplan has been updated to clearly state that any activity at the reservoir must not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve. The reference to zip lines has been removed.
Individual	Not in support of swimming or motorised water sports. Council should work with the existing clubs,	Comments noted. The council is committed to working with existing water users to support and encourage	The masterplan has been updated to clearly state that any activity at the reservoir must

	not in parallel. Concern around litter, dumping of rubbish and unsafe fishing currently occurring within the reservoir. Requests that if the amount of activity does increase, there should be a suitable increase in management alongside it.	their outreach work with local communities. We understand the community would like to see increased management of the reservoir but there are no resources to secure this service at present. In line with the approach taken at several other parks and nature reserves across Birmingham, the council is eager to work with the Local Nature Reserve Committee to establish a greater role for the community.	not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve.
Individual	Not in support of zip line. Concerned about impact on wildlife area and lack of existing space. Concern over the proposed hub making activities less accessible due to increased cost.	Comments noted. The masterplan vision makes it clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone. There are numerous opportunities that will be accessible for all the community such as improved public realm, public open space and spaces for community activity. The council is committed to working with existing water users to support and encourage their outreach work with local communities.	<p>The masterplan has been updated to remove the reference to a zip line and the image. The masterplan has been updated to clearly state that any activity at the reservoir must not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve.</p> <p>The masterplan has also been updated to state that existing water sports cubs can remain in their existing location.</p>
6 individuals	Not in support of zip line or extreme sports. Concerned about impact on wildlife.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to remove the reference to a zip line and the image. The masterplan has also been updated to clearly state that any activity at the reservoir must not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve.
4 individuals	Not in support of zip line or extreme sports.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to remove the reference to a zip line and the image.

			The masterplan has also been updated to clearly state that any activity at the reservoir must not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve.
2 individuals	Not in support. Argue that no change is required as the reservoir already provides many activities. Concerned about the detrimental impact the development would have on the Local Nature Reserve.	Comments noted. The council values the existing clubs that deliver activities at the reservoir and is committed to working with them in the future.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The activity section clearly states that all activity will be required to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve setting. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.
Individual	Not in support of any development. Concerned about impact on Local Nature Reserve.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The activity section clearly states that all activity will be required to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve setting. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.

4 individuals	Not in support of residential.	The Tower Ballroom site is a brownfield (previously developed) site that is allocated for housing development in the Birmingham Development Plan. The purpose of this masterplan is to ensure the site is developed for housing, along with other uses that will complement the water setting and provide facilities for all the community while protecting the natural environment.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support of residential. States that the council should build on unused buildings and brownfield sites, not on green spaces.	Comments noted. The Tower Ballroom site is a brownfield (previously developed) site that is allocated for housing development in the Birmingham Development Plan. The purpose of this masterplan is to ensure the site is developed for housing, along with other uses that will complement the water setting and provide facilities for all the community while protecting the natural environment.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support.	Noted.	No changes required.
8 individuals	Not in support of increased activity. Concerns about overdevelopment. States there is not enough water for the amount of activity suggested. Concerns over impact on wildlife.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The activity section clearly states that all activity will be required to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve setting. The Edgbaston Reservoir

			Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.
2 individuals	Not in support of SPD. Full support for the Alternative Vision of the Community Consortium.	Comments noted. Officers have worked with the Community Consortium who submitted the alternative plan, to better align the council's aspirations with the community.	The masterplan has been amended to include several suggested additions that are a result of working with the community – including a set of Community Principles.
Individual	Concern around sustainability.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The activity section clearly states that all activity will be required to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve setting.
7 individuals	<p>Opposed to increased water activity. Main concerns are around water safety due to the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water is deep (40ft at some points) • Not clean • Highly dangerous blue-green algae present • Current activity is supervised • General safety • Temperature is too cold, concern over hypothermia. 	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with the existing water users to understand the challenges of undertaking water activity at the reservoir. The masterplan supports the existing club users and their outreach work. Additional water activity on the reservoir would need to adhere to relevant health and safety measures and be supervised.	No changes required.

Individual	Concern over water safety. States that the water is only suitable for trained sailors and rowers.	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with the existing water users to understand the challenges of undertaking water activity at the reservoir. The masterplan supports the existing club users and their outreach work. Additional water activity on the reservoir would need to adhere to relevant health and safety measures and be supervised.	No changes required.
Individual	Questions if unofficial users such as running / walking groups and dog walkers had been officially contacted for feedback on the proposals.	Comments noted. Extensive public consultation was undertaken including presentations at ward meetings, drop in events at the reservoir, attendance at community events, signs around the reservoir and an online questionnaire.	No changes required.
Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Trust	Concern over potential increase in boating activity and the effect this will have on the nesting wildfowl. States that the bankside areas of the Local Nature Reserve and Site of Importance for Nature Conservation are home to numerous nests. Requests that areas of the suitable shoreline are fenced off from boating to reduce and avoid disturbance to nesting wildfowl.	Comments noted.	The Local Nature Reserve Management Plan for Edgbaston Reservoir has been updated to include a clear set of objectives the council can work towards with stakeholders and partners. This includes objectives to improve and protect habitat for nesting birds and the potential to create closed-off areas of the reservoir shore. The masterplan references the need for the Management Plan to be read in conjunction with the masterplan. The masterplan has been updated to include guidance on how the natural environment can be protected and enhanced.
Individual	Questions the future of the Sea Cadets. Believes that they had	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with the sea cadets to	The masterplan has been updated to reflect the sea cadets planning consent.

	submitted a planning application to demolish existing buildings and replace.	support their outreach work and ensure their scheme meets the masterplan vision.	
3 individuals	In support. States that greater variety of activity is needed.	Support welcomed. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses at the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	In support. Welcomes green space for sports and would like to see more volunteering opportunities.	Support welcomed. The masterplan is flexible and promotes a range of activities which could include volunteering opportunities particularly in relation to the natural environment.	No changes required.
3 individuals	General support for the plan and the promotion of a mix of activities.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
Individual	In support. Requests a link to the anti-obesity strategy. Suggests local schools should be involved.	Support welcomed. It is considered wider references to health and wellbeing are more appropriate for the masterplan as this covers obesity and well as other health issues. The council encourages local schools to use the reservoir.	The masterplan has been updated to clearly reference the health and wellbeing benefits of visiting the reservoir and partaking in activities there.
5 individuals	More information required about the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is already on offer at the reservoir • How much space will be left for quiet enjoyment • How this vision will be achieved • How the existing resources will be maintained 	Comment noted.	The masterplan has been updated and provides further detail on the reservoir context including the activities that currently take place at the reservoir. The masterplan now includes 'Opportunity' chapters which details how each opportunity will meet the masterplan vision and development principles. Further details have been added to the Delivery section of the masterplan.

2 individuals	General support. Welcomes the principle of water sport clubs co-locating.	Support welcomed. The masterplan has been amended to state the existing water sport clubs can remain in their existing location.	The masterplan has been amended to state the existing water sport clubs can remain in their existing location.
3 individuals	In support. Request a park run.	Support welcomed. The council understands a park run is now operating at the reservoir.	No changes required.
5 individuals	Concern over impact on biodiversity / tranquillity.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The activity section clearly states that all activity will be required to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve setting.
North Edgbaston Action Team	In support of activities. Concern over impact on the Local Nature Reserve regarding motorised water sports and wild swimming. Strong support for a peaceful family-orientated space through the building of a self-sustaining and ecological area. Suggest using the existing buildings to create hubs for education, engagement and interaction with nature.	Comments noted and support welcomed. The masterplan vision supports the creation of a family-friendly environment and aims to protect the tranquil setting of the reservoir. The masterplan is flexible and promotes a range of activities which could include education. The reservoir is not considered suitable for swimming.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The activity section clearly states that all activity will be required to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve setting. Further detail has been added regarding the re—use of existing buildings where appropriate.
Individual	Requests clarification over the word 'dynamic' regarding sports. Not in support of increased activity as the	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to remove the word 'dynamic'. The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will

	currently level is suitable for the Local Nature Reserve.		be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The activity section clearly states that all activity will be required to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve setting. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.
Individual	Not in support of too much residential development as it will distract from the tranquillity.	Comments noted. The purpose of the masterplan is to provide uses that will complement the water setting and provide facilities for all the community while protecting the natural environment. The masterplan also needs to ensure sites allocated for housing in the Birmingham Development Plan are delivered to meet housing need.	The masterplan has been updated to reflect the need for the tranquil atmosphere of the reservoir to be protected.
Individual	Suggests separating wildlife from water activities.	Comments noted. Whilst it is not possible to separate water activity from wildlife the masterplan seeks to ensure the natural environment and biodiversity it protected. As such, the council has updated the Local Nature Reserve Management Plan to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.	No changes required.

Individual	States that Natural England should be consulted as the Local Nature Reserve is complex.	Comments noted. Natural England were consulted as part of the formal consultation.	No changes required.
Individual	States that the reservoir is functional and used to feed the canal system.	Comments noted. The masterplan states this in the context section and works closely with the Canal & River Trust.	No changes required.
2 individuals	Concern of the negative impact overdevelopment will have on the sailing club.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to clearly state the sailing club can remain in their existing location. It also states the council will support the sailing club and their outreach work.
Individual	Not in support. Criticism that there is no evidence that there will be a future demand from more people wanting to use the reservoir. States the current evidence is very limited from Sport England and the Canal & River Trust. Argues that the citizens of Birmingham are more important as sources of evidence than formal bodies.	Comments noted. Since the Covid-19 pandemic, it is understood footfall at the reservoir has increased. The masterplan seeks to provide a clear sustainable vision for the reservoir to ensure as an important resource it is able to continue to provide for Birmingham residents and visitors for years to come.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support of different uses suggested and not in support of moving the existing clubs. Suggests getting trim trail activities and outdoor equipment.	Comments noted. The masterplan is flexible and promotes a range of activities at the reservoir as long as they contribute to the vision and do not have a negative impact on the Local Nature Reserve.	The masterplan has been amended and clearly states that existing water users can remain in their current location.
Individual	Values the feeling of safety when walking around the reservoir.	Comments noted. The masterplan seeks to improve safety around the reservoir.	No changes required.
2 individuals	In support. Requests that activity on the water is managed and regulated.	Support welcomed. The management of the water is outside the scope of a	No changes required.

		planning masterplan. The existing water sport clubs have a water user agreement and work in collaboration to manage the water with the council's Parks Department.	
Individual	Not in support. States that the proposed big moves are unnecessary as the existing water sports facilities have operated successfully. Concern over higher rent costs which would price the water sports clubs out. Suggests making use of abandoned Reservoir House to improve parking. Argues that the main attraction to the reservoir is its natural beauty and tranquillity and therefore opposed to the promenade loop becoming a cycling route.	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with all the existing water-users to ensure the amended version of the masterplan reflects their aspirations for the future, including their preferred locations. The masterplan makes it clear that the walkway around the reservoir is a shared surface.	The masterplan has been amended and clearly states that existing water users can remain in their current location. Further detail has been provided in the 'Reservoir View' chapter which includes reference to Reservoir House being brought back into use. The masterplan also states this area should not be dominated by cars. The masterplan has also been updated to reflect the need for the tranquil atmosphere of the reservoir to be protected.
Individual	In support. Requests that the safety and security of the reservoir is improved through CCTV installation, a kiosk and a panic button station. Suggests that local schools should be encouraged to use the reservoir for outdoor activities. States that women undertaking activity should be supported and encouraged.	Support welcomed. The masterplan aims to create a safe, welcoming environment with housing providing activity in the evening and increased natural surveillance. The installation of CCTV, kiosk and panic buttons are too much detail to be included in the masterplan and where appropriate, would come forward through a planning application. The masterplan is flexible and promotes a range of activities at the reservoir	The masterplan vision has been updated to state the reservoir should be accessible to everyone.

		including outdoor activities and education. Agree, the masterplan seeks to make the reservoir accessible for everyone.	
Individual	In support. States that the existing clubs have the same aims and should be involved in the expansion of water-based leisure and activities.	Support welcomed. The council is committed to working with existing water users to support and encourage their outreach work with local communities.	No changes required.
Individual	In support. Requests a cycle repair shop, sailing and kayaking.	Support welcomed. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses to support physical and mental health and well-being as long as it does not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve. The uses suggested would be in keeping with the masterplan vision.	No changes required.
Individual	In support. States that design should be more detailed, taking into consideration boat parking, rigging and launching.	Support welcomed. The masterplan has been amended to clearly state the existing water sports clubs can remain in their existing locations. As a result, further detail in boat parking rigging and launching is not required in the masterplan.	The masterplan has been amended to clearly state the existing water sports clubs can remain in their existing locations.
Individual	In support. Requests diving facilities including an underwater tunnel.	Support welcomed. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses to support physical and mental health and well-being as long as it does not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve. However, it is unlikely diving	No changes required.

		facilities and an underwater tunnel would be able to be delivered as the reservoir is not considered suitable for swimming.	
Individual	In support of increased activities. Requests accessible activities not just sailing.	Support welcomed. The masterplan vision makes it clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone. There are numerous opportunities that will be accessible for all the community such as improved public realm, public open space and spaces for community activity.	No changes required.
Individual	Concerns around overdevelopment due to the impact on the Local Nature Reserve. Not in support of saunas and lidos.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations. The reference and images of saunas and lidos have been removed.
Individual	In support. Suggests table tennis facilities.	Support welcomed. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses to support physical and mental health and well-being as long as it does not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve.	No changes required.

10 individuals	Request the protection and preservation of existing non-motorised water sports and clubs.	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with all the existing water-users to ensure the amended version of the masterplan reflects their aspirations for the future, including their preferred locations.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment.
Individual	Concern over anti-social behaviour in car park. States that new developments are not going to help this issue and will only put more pressure on the area.	<p>Comments noted. References to creating a safe environment have been included in the masterplan. A long-term approach to the use of the existing car park that formed a focus for anti-social behaviour has been provided in the masterplan.</p> <p>The masterplan seeks to create a balance between delivering development on brownfield (previously developed), sites that are allocated for housing development in the Birmingham Development Plan – former Tower Ballroom site and Edgbaston Waterworks site. Whilst also delivering other facilities for the local community and protecting and enhancing the adjacent Local Nature Reserve.</p>	The masterplan has been updated to include references to creating a safe environment have been included in the masterplan. A long-term approach to the use of the existing car park that formed a focus for anti-social behaviour has been provided in the masterplan.
Individual	In support. Suggests inflatable assault course on the reservoir.	Support welcomed. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses to support physical and mental health and well-being as long as it does not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve. However, it is unlikely an inflatable assault course would be	No changes required.

		acceptable as it would impact on the water sports club's ability to operate and the reservoir is not considered suitable for swimming.	
Individual	Requests space is allocated for quieter activities such as painting and poetry writing instead of sport facilities.	Comments noted. The masterplan supports a range of activities as long as they contribute to the vision and do not have a negative impact on the Local Nature reserve.	The masterplan has been updated to include a new chapter 'Celebrating the Reservoir' this encourages art and cultural activities.
4 individuals	Not in support of the relocation of the sailing club.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to clearly state that the sailing club can remain in their existing location.
Individual	In support. Requests seating behind car park.	Support welcomed. The masterplan encourages the provision of seating at appropriate locations to enable people to enjoy the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Concern over lack of space for quiet enjoyment due to the increased activity proposals.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to reflect the need for the tranquil atmosphere of the reservoir to be protected this includes protecting key views and the open feeling at the reservoir and ensuring there are areas for quiet reflection at the reservoir.
Individual	Concerns over water access and the impact future buildings will have on the wind for activity on the water.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to clearly state the existing water users can remain in their existing locations. It has also been updated to state proposals for buildings at the 'Reservoir Link' opportunity that are taller than the dam wall will be required to demonstrate that wind shadowing effects would not have undue adverse impacts on water sport activity.

Individual	Not in support. States that there is not enough support for a water hub for it to be sustainable.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to clearly state the existing water users can remain in their existing locations.
2 individuals	Concern over water levels. Request it is carefully maintained.	Comments noted. The previous draft masterplan included a reference to the purpose of the reservoir to provide water for the canal network. This has been expanded to explain the need to retain the function and the impact this has on water levels.	The masterplan has been updated to further explain the need to retain the function of the reservoir to top up the canal network and the impact this has on water levels.
Individual	In support. Requests water skiing.	Support welcomed. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses to support physical and mental health and well-being as long as it does not have a detrimental impact on the Local Nature Reserve.	No changes required.
Individual	In support. Suggests local shops so that residents do not have to drive to get necessities.	Support welcomed. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses to support the diverse community. The masterplan states uses at the reservoir should complement and not compete with Dudley Road local centre and carefully consider proposals at Port Loop. The use of some of the ground floor of Osler Place may be appropriate for small scale retail that meets the day to day needs of residents and visitors but this would need to be in keeping with the	The masterplan has been updated to state uses at the reservoir should complement and not compete with Dudley Road local centre and carefully consider proposals at Port Loop.

		character of the reservoir and optimise the waterside location.	
Individual	In support. Requests something for the older generation to enjoy.	Support welcomed. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses to support physical and mental health and well-being and meet the needs of the diverse community.	The masterplan has been updated to include a section: 'Celebrating the Reservoir'. This states that the former Tower Ballroom site and the Playing Field will provide opportunities for communities, local groups and visitors to come together and celebrate the reservoir through culture, art and learning. This could include spaces and facilities that enable neighbouring communities to continue engaging in creative and cultural activities focused on the social significance of the reservoir.
Angling Trust	The document excludes usage for angling.	Comments noted. The masterplan encourages a broad range of uses to support physical and mental health and well-being.	The masterplan has been amended to clearly state that anglers use the reservoir.
2 individuals	Not in support of proposed location of water sports and recreation facility due to the poor location for launching boats and space available.	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with each of the water clubs to understand their individual requirements and will continue to work with the clubs to support their operation and outreach work.	The masterplan has been updated to clearly state the existing water users can remain in their existing locations.
Individual	Requests the retention of the outdoor gym equipment.	Comments noted. The masterplan supports the use of outdoor gyms.	No changes required.
Individual	Sea Cadets should be encouraged and supported due to their outreach work.	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with the Sea Cadets to ensure they are able to continue their outreach work.	No changes required.

Individual	In support. Requests that the emphasis should be on a countryside feel through improvements to walking and outdoor activities instead of restaurants and cafés.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to reflect the need for the tranquil atmosphere of the reservoir to be protected this includes protecting key views and the open feeling at the reservoir and ensuring there are areas for quiet reflection at the reservoir. It also encourages walking and outdoor activities.
Individual	Concern over the safety of increased water sports posing a threat to the public. Requests that water sports are located away from the public.	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with the existing water users to understand the challenges of undertaking water activity at the reservoir. The masterplan supports the existing club users and their outreach work. Additional water activity on the reservoir would need to adhere to relevant health and safety measures and be supervised.	No changes required.
The Scout Association – County of Birmingham	In support. Request that the proposals provide space and support for a similar facility to the Edgbaston Water sports Ltd that is AALA registered. Interested in discussing the inclusion of a Scout Headquarters within the development.	Support welcomed. The masterplan has sufficient flexibility to support a wide range of activities as long as they contribute to the vision and protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve. The masterplan supports the existing water users and their community outreach work. The masterplan is also flexible to enable additional water activity on the water where appropriate. Consideration would need to be given to the relationship between any additional water sports provision and the existing water users to ensure that all uses complement each other.	No changes required.

2 individuals	Not in support of a shared facility. Argues that this would destroy the existing water sports communities and the capital costs of moving would shut them down. Request council works closely with existing clubs.	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with each of the water clubs to understand their individual requirements and will continue to work with the clubs to support their operation and outreach work.	The masterplan has been updated to clearly state the existing water users can remain in their existing locations.
Individual	Believes that the Vernon Sea Cadets need investment which would benefit local children.	Comments noted. The council supports the work the Sea Cadets undertakes and has worked closely with them to ensure they can continue operating at the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Concern that too much footfall would damage the natural area.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.
Individual	Criticism that fishing has been largely ignored.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to clearly state that anglers use the reservoir.
Individual	In support. Requests opportunity for canoe and kayak hire.	Support welcomed. The masterplan has sufficient flexibility to support a wide range of activities as long as they contribute to the vision and protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve. The masterplan supports the existing water	No changes required.

		users and their community outreach work. The masterplan is also flexible to enable additional water activity on the water where appropriate. Consideration would need to be given to the relationship between any additional water sports provision and the existing water users to ensure that all uses complement each other.	
2 individuals	In support. Requests that car park is kept closed to avoid anti-social behaviour due to safety concerns.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to include references to creating a safe environment. A long-term approach to the use of the existing car park that formed a focus for anti-social behaviour has been provided in the masterplan.	The masterplan has been updated to include references to creating a safe environment. A long-term approach to the use of the existing car park that formed a focus for anti-social behaviour has been provided in the masterplan.
Individual	In support. Suggests the creation of an app that links specific things for children to find and photograph as part of a nature quest.	Support welcomed. The creation of an app is beyond the masterplan's remit but the masterplan is flexible enough to support this idea as a range of activities that celebrate the reservoir and natural environment are encouraged.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggests the sailing club building could become part of the visitor centre.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been amended to state the sailing club can remain in their existing location. However, there is potential for the club to broaden their offer to provide a wider variety of facilities that are in keeping with the vision in the masterplan if they wish.	No changes required.

Individual	Support for strong and well-established connections between existing users and the reservoir.	Support welcomed. The council has worked closely with existing users.	No changes required.
Individual	Strong opposition to the relocation of existing water sport clubs. States they have been positioned in their existing location due to wind patterns.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended and clearly states that existing water users can remain in their current location.
Individual	Not in support. The plan does not work with existing users of the reservoir to increase activity.	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with each of the water clubs to understand their individual requirements and will continue to work with the clubs to support their operation and outreach work.	The masterplan has been amended and clearly states that existing water users can remain in their current location. The masterplan also states that the council will continue to work with the clubs and support their ongoing outreach work with local communities.
Individual	Requests woodland cycling track.	Comments noted. The masterplan has sufficient flexibility to support a wide range of activities as long as they do not have a detrimental impact on the natural environment and contribute to the vision.	No changes required.
Individual	The document lacks information about how the existing water users would co-locate. Different clubs have different wind requirements. The image on page 18 only shows storage for sailing boats - not canoes or rowing boats. Access from the Tower Ballroom site to the water for the boats is not visible. Criticism of lack of understanding and	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended and clearly states that existing water users can remain in their current location. The masterplan also states that the council will continue to work with the clubs and support their ongoing outreach work with local communities.

	consideration of the logistics for the existing water users throughout the document.		
Individual	Request a cycling hub.	Comments noted. The masterplan encourages cycling and is flexible enough to enable the inclusion of a cycle hub.	No changes required.
Midland Sailing Club and Birmingham Rowing Club	<p>Opposed to the relocation of existing clubs to create a multi-use water sports hub and provided reasons why. States the draft masterplan is silent on the issue of the management of the reservoir, other than to say it requires partnership and engagement. Concern over the health and safety risks the water poses. Not in support of extreme sports such as zip lines and cable tows as it does not fit in with the Local Nature Reserve status.</p> <p>Question the logistics of cable tows during the seasons and increased activity. Seek to understand what additional water sports activities the council feels are not provided by the clubs at present or if it's an issue of quantity. States all three lease holders have plans to develop their activities. Stress the difficulty of making commercially operated water sports centres profitable in the UK.</p>	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with existing water users to understand their operational requirements and is committed to supporting their operation, in particular their outreach work with local communities.	<p>The masterplan has been updated to provide further detail on delivery and management including identifying projects and potential delivery partners and funding sources.</p> <p>The reference to cable tows and zip lines has been removed from the masterplan.</p>

Marine Society and Sea Cadets (MSSC)	Support the vision and aspirations for Thomas Telford Place. Redevelopment to provide a variety of uses and attractive public space is welcomed. New activities should not negatively impact on “identified assets”. Request that this text is expanded to include “and water activities”. Would be very supportive if the opportunity could be taken through the redevelopment of the Tower Ballroom site to widen and enhance the area between the buildings to facilitate easier boat and vehicle access to the front of the new boat station. Welcome the support offered to existing water-based users and activities. Would like to see a focus on volunteering and its positive benefits to the future development of the site. Development of the new Midlands Boat Station has an opportunity to boost volunteering hours and skills.	Support welcomed. The council has worked closely with the Sea Cadets to support their outreach work and ensure their scheme meets the masterplan vision. The masterplan is flexible and promotes a range of activities which could include volunteering opportunities.	The masterplan has been updated to reflect the Sea Cadets planning approval. It also includes the ‘Community Principles’ which includes: Support community-based water users to continue to develop high-quality water sports and widen access to these activities.
Canal & River Trust	In support of seeking additional activity on the water space and the encouragement of engagement. Request that meaningful engagement with the existing groups and users is carried out towards adopting the masterplan, in order that their ambitions and operational	Support welcomed. The council has worked closely with the Canal & River Trust through the redraft of the masterplan. The council has also worked closely with existing water users to understand their operational requirements and is committed to supporting their operation, in particular	The masterplan has been updated to provide further detail on delivery and management including identifying projects and potential delivery partners and funding sources.

	<p>constraints are considered. Important to recognise the need for appropriate oversight to manage and promote activities long term, which should be included in the masterplan and provided in the delivery section. Physical space alone is not sufficient for encouraging activities, suggest taster days and increasing awareness. The Trust is willing to work with partners to seek increase in such activities however is keen to ensure any proposed activity does not conflict with the function of the reservoir. Open to early contact to discuss proposals for positive regeneration to occur alongside water management issues.</p>	<p>their outreach work with local communities. The masterplan is also flexible to enable additional water activity on the water where appropriate. Consideration would need to be given to the relationship between any additional water sports provision and the existing water users to ensure that all uses complement each other.</p>	
Royal Yachting Association	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General support for developing the site and agree it has potential for growth. Concerned with: • Concept of diversifying the water-based activity due to safety management issues. • Proposed zip-wires will reduce the area of available water and further condense the water users. 	<p>Support welcomed. The council has worked closely with existing water users to understand their operational requirements and is committed to supporting their operation, in particular their outreach work with local communities.</p>	<p>The masterplan has been amended and clearly states that existing water users can remain in their current location. The masterplan also states that the council will continue to work with the clubs and support their ongoing outreach work with local communities. The masterplan has also been updated to remove the reference to zip lines and cable tows.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Page 24 of the Masterplan states that enhanced facilities will encourage and maximise participation however proposals to reduce the sailable area will reduce the reservoirs potential as a regional water sports destination. • Proposed move to the shared facility and the associated financial implications and reduction of operating space. • Does not agree that the proposal has the best interest for sailing. 		
Individual	Disagreement that activities and tranquillity can be zoned. Concern that increasing entertainment will create more litter which will have a negative impact on the wildlife and habitat creation. The noise associated with extreme sports will also impact wildlife. Increase in activity zones will have a negative impact on tranquil zones. Strong concern over the development and its impact on nature. States that the reservoir is the central cultural asset in the new ward of North Edgbaston.	Comments noted.	<p>The masterplan has been amended to provide detailed guidance on how future proposals at the reservoir will be required to protect and enhance the natural environment including the addition of a new 'Sustainability' chapter. The Edgbaston Reservoir Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to provide up to date information with clear objectives to protect and enhance the Local Nature Reserve for future generations.</p> <p>The masterplan has also been updated to clearly state that activity will be required to</p>

	Requests for gradual and sympathetic support of the reservoir as a Local Nature Reserve and states the SPD should be much more modest in ambition and actively build upon what is socially and environmentally in existence.		protect and enhance the Local nature Reserve. The masterplan has been updated to reflect the need for the tranquil atmosphere of the reservoir to be protected
Individual	States mental health is a key issue in Ladywood and therefore it is important to ensure green space is available to reduce the impacts.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been amended to make it clear that Osler Street Park will be retained as an important open space with play facilities. Further wording has been added around the role of the reservoir in health and wellbeing.
Individual	Concern that there is little understanding of the existing water users and how they operate.	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with the existing water users to understand the challenges of undertaking water activity at the reservoir.	The masterplan has ben amended to state the existing water sport clubs could remain in their current location.
Individual	Concern over duplication of facilities at Port Loop resulting in poor support.	Comments noted.	The masterplan has been updated to state uses at the reservoir should complement and not compete with Dudley Road local centre and carefully consider proposals at Port Loop.

Design (now called Character)

Consultee	Representation Summary	Officer Response	Proposed Changes to SPD
9 individuals	Not in support. Believes it will negatively impact wildlife.	Comments noted. The masterplan wording has been strengthened to better reflect the need to protect and enhance the natural environment.	The masterplan wording has been strengthened to better reflect the need to protect and enhance the natural environment.

28 individuals and West Midlands Police	Request that design is sympathetic to nature.	Comments noted. The masterplan wording has been strengthened to better reflect the need to protect and enhance the natural environment.	The masterplan wording has been strengthened to better reflect the need to protect and enhance the natural environment. This includes a new Development Principle on 'Sustainability', which is then reflected in each of the opportunities within the masterplan.
Individual	Support for building on brownfield site is conditional to the reservoir and nature remaining untouched.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
2 individuals	Not in support. Design is not relevant to local identity.	Comments noted. Further details have been added to the opportunities to reflect the local identity of the reservoir and the uniqueness of each opportunity.	Further details have been added to the opportunities to reflect the local identity of the reservoir and the uniqueness of each opportunity.
2 individuals	Design principles should be sympathetic towards the community.	Comments noted. Further details have been added to the opportunities to reflect the local identity of the reservoir and the uniqueness of each opportunity.	Further details have been added to the opportunities to reflect the local identity of the reservoir and the uniqueness of each opportunity.
Individual	Welcomes the creation of jobs in the development.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
14 individuals	General support.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
10 individuals	In support of the enhancement, protection and re-use of historic buildings to strengthen and preserve local character.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
15 individuals	Not in support of any development.	Comments noted. The masterplan is required to be in general accordance with the Local Plan which has allocated sites at the reservoir as being needed to support the growth of the city and meet housing needs.	No changes required.

Individual	Requests that entrance is available for all disabilities. Not in support of the steep entrance.	Comments noted. The masterplan includes proposals to improve the entrances and where the geography of the site allows these will be designed to be accessible for all. It is recognised that some parts of the reservoir, such as the dam wall, act as a physical barrier for some, due to their steep nature. The masterplan therefore proposes several connections to ensure everyone has a choice about where and how they access the reservoir.	No changes required.
4 individuals	In support for biodiversity and tranquillity enhancements.	Welcome support.	The masterplan wording has been strengthened to better reflect the need to protect and enhance the natural environment. This includes a new Development Principle on 'Sustainability', which is then reflected in each of the opportunities within the masterplan.
Individual	In support. Requests focus on low carbon initiatives such as small wind turbines.	Welcome support and note request. The masterplan wording has been updated to include reference to local renewable energy generation.	The masterplan wording has been updated to include reference to local renewable energy generation.
8 individuals	Request that local character and history is retained and conserved.	Request noted. Further details have been added to each of the opportunities in the masterplan to better reflect the local character and history. References have also been added to where such features should be protected and enhanced.	Further details have been added to each of the opportunities in the masterplan to better reflect the local character and history. References have also been added to where such features should be protected and enhanced.

Individual	Not in support. States it should be retained as a heritage area with the history it has.	Comments noted. Designated heritage assets will be protected and enhanced in line with national and local planning policy. Proposals that have the potential to impact on any heritage assets will be fully considered at the planning application stage.	No changes required.
Individual	In support. Suggests repairing existing heritage buildings and opening them up for community use.	Comments noted. This suggestion is in line with the vision of the masterplan and should proposals come forward; they will be supported in principle.	No changes required.
12 individuals	Support for design that is eco-friendly and sustainable.	Comments noted. The masterplan wording has been strengthened to better reflect the need to protect and enhance the natural environment. This includes a new Development Principle on 'Sustainability', which is then reflected in each of the opportunities within the masterplan.	The masterplan wording has been strengthened to better reflect the need to protect and enhance the natural environment. This includes a new Development Principle on 'Sustainability', which is then reflected in each of the opportunities within the masterplan.
12 individuals and North Edgbaston Action Team	More information requested. Cannot comment without design plans.	Request noted. The masterplan provides further details and guidance on the policy within the Local Plan. It sets a vision and development principles for the opportunities around the reservoir. It is not appropriate for the masterplan to prescribe detailed plans and design, as these will be determined at the planning application stage	No changes required.
Individual	Suggests Passive Haus standards should be used.	Suggestion noted. The masterplan has been updated to include reference to	The masterplan has been updated to include reference to sustainable design and

		sustainable design and appropriate assessments such as BREEAM and WELL.	appropriate assessments such as BREEAM and WELL.
Individual	Not in support. Criticism that design is outdated.	Comments noted.	The approach to design has progressed from the previous draft masterplan with further details on design, updated precedent images and a revised sketch to illustrate the vision for the Tower Ballroom.
Individual	Questioned if there are different design options available that would be part of the consultation for them to comment on.	Suggestion noted. This is a level of detail beyond what is appropriate for the masterplan and would be more suited to the pre-application process for the opportunities in the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Concern over proposed scale.	Concerns noted. More information has been provided on the scale for each opportunity along with details on how schemes should respect the views, character and natural setting of the reservoir.	More information has been provided on the scale for each opportunity along with details on how schemes should respect the views, character and natural setting of the reservoir.
Individual	More information required about what is considered to be an important natural and historical asset.	Requested noted. Further details have been added to the masterplan and the Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to ensure an up-to-date evidence base informs the masterplan.	Further details have been added to the masterplan and the Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has also been updated to ensure an up-to-date evidence base informs the masterplan.
5 individuals	In support. Design should be modern but sympathetic to nature.	Welcome support. Agreed – this is the approach taken within the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	More information needed. Criticism that the wording is capable of a multitude of interpretations which needs to be	Comments noted. A balance is needed between providing the level of detail needed to deliver the vision and having flexibility in the plan to allow for innovation and changes over time.	Where appropriate, further detail has been added to the masterplan to address this criticism.

	translated into firm proposals so that the public can have their say.		
Individual	Not in support. Development and car parks should be off site to protect the natural habitat.	Comments noted. The masterplan proposed to bring the building line of the Tower Ballroom back from the waterfront and green the existing waterside car park. No new buildings are proposed within the boundary of the Local Nature Reserve.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support of development.	Noted.	No changes required.
5 individuals	<p>Not in support of the dam wall being glass/glazed due to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is contrary to the maintaining the heritage and historic fabric of the dam • Expensive to construct and maintain • Glazed screen would attract graffiti • Timber supports would be subject to deterioration. 	Comments noted. The masterplan text and images used have been revised to make it clear that any changes to the dam wall will respect the heritage and protect the structure of the wall.	The masterplan text and images used have been revised to make it clear that any changes to the dam wall will respect the heritage and protect the structure of the wall.
Individual	Finds the wall of the reservoir to be an eyesore and requests boats / fountains in front of it.	Comments noted.	No changes required.
Individual	Does not agree with the proposed picture of 'high-quality public realm'.	Comments noted. The illustrative sketch and precedent images have been updated to better reflect the vision for high-quality public realm.	The illustrative sketch and precedent images have been updated to better reflect the vision for high-quality public realm.

Individual	Does not want many houses visible from the reservoir.	Comments noted. Further details have been added to how views will be protected and enhanced.	Further details have been added to how views will be protected and enhanced.
5 individuals, Scout Association- County of Birmingham, Angling Trust, Sport England	Concerns about the heights of buildings and the associated impact on wind for water sports.	Concerns noted. References to the need for wind impact studies have been added to the masterplan where appropriate.	References to the need for wind impact studies have been added to the masterplan where appropriate.
Sport England	Seek a more explicit reference to Active Design in respect of the proposed development opportunities.	Suggestion welcomed. The masterplan has been updated to include several references to design that encourages active living that captures the spirit of the Active Design guidance.	The masterplan has been updated to include several references to design that encourages active living that captures the spirit of the Active Design guidance.
5 individuals	In support. Request further lighting provision around the entire reservoir and its pathways.	Request noted. The masterplan includes references to lighting where appropriate and the council will support additional lighting at the reservoir where this does not have an adverse impact on wildlife.	The masterplan includes references to lighting where appropriate and the council will support additional lighting at the reservoir where this does not have an adverse impact on wildlife.
Individual	Requests that the gate keeper cottage is restored for a café and possible caretaker / ranger cottage.	Suggestion welcomed. This suggestion would align with the vision set out in the masterplan and should a proposal come forward this would be supported in principle.	No changes required.
9 individuals	Not in support of buildings next to water.	Comments noted. The masterplan proposes to set the redeveloped Tower Ballroom site away from the water edge.	No changes required.
5 individuals	State that development should be low rise (2-3 storeys).	Comments noted. The guidance around buildings heights in the document are based on the design principles and the	No changes required.

		need to deliver a mix of uses and optimise the site for housing delivery.	
19 individuals	<p>Not in support of any development that will block existing views. These include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Lodge • Reservoir • Trees • Buddhist Temple • City skyline • Church • The Dam 	Comments noted. Further details have been added to the masterplan on views, including recognition of important landmarks.	Further details have been added to the masterplan on views, including recognition of important landmarks.
Individual	Buildings should fit within two towers. Request for new buildings not to use render or cladding, only brick.	Comments noted. This is considered too detailed and restrictive for a masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	In support of new development if a natural look is achieved through using wood and garden roof tops.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to ensure here is reference in the design sections around reflecting the natural environment. References to green roofs has also been added.	The masterplan has been updated to ensure here is reference in the design sections around reflecting the natural environment. References to green roofs has also been added.
4 individuals	In support. Design should be modern but also maintain existing views.	Welcome support. Further details have been added to how views will be protected and enhanced.	Further details have been added to how views will be protected and enhanced.
2 individuals	Concern around scale of proposed development. State that buildings should not overlook the reservoir.	Concerns noted. The guidance around buildings heights and scale in the document are based on the design principles and the need to deliver a mix of uses and optimise the site for housing delivery. Further details have been added	The guidance around buildings heights and scale in the document are based on the design principles and the need to deliver a mix of uses and optimise the site for housing delivery. Further details have been added to how views will be protected and enhanced.

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Individual	In support. Requests fencing.	Support welcome. Request noted. The masterplan looks to ensure that the reservoir is accessible for all and that where fencing is required, it does not detract from the visual amenity of the area.	No changes required.
Individual	General support. States that the proposed wood will require considerable maintenance and cost. Not in support of panoramic windows as it destroys the environment as seen from outside.	Support welcome. The images included in the plan are to help bring the vision alive and any maintenance considerations will form part of the further work undertaken on individual schemes.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support of boardwalk as the materials are dangerous in wet weather. Suggests filling the existing potholes instead.	Comments noted. The text no longer refers to boardwalks. Any proposal for their delivery would need to meet safety regulations.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests protection and mention of the Buddhist centre in the masterplan as it is one of Birmingham's striking buildings.	Suggestion welcomed. The masterplan has been updated to refer to the centre including in relation to views.	The masterplan has been updated to refer to the centre including in relation to views.
Individual	Not in support of manicured pathway. Requests a natural pathway instead.	Comments noted. The approach to the walkway in the masterplan has been revised to place more importance on the natural landscape compared to hard landscaping.	The approach to the walkway in the masterplan has been revised to place more importance of the natural landscape compared to hard landscaping.
Individual	In support of redevelopment. Importance of high-quality design is reiterated.	Welcome support, comments noted.	No changes required.

Individual	In support. Requests wooden play equipment.	Welcome support. The Activity and Natural Parkland sections of the masterplan include text that would support the delivery of play equipment that connects people to nature.	No changes required.
4 individuals	In support of high-quality architecture. Seeks an aspirational vision, not standard housing development.	Comments noted and agree.	No changes required.
Individual	States that the wooden bridge would be dangerous when wet and difficult to maintain.	Comments noted.	No changes required.
2 individuals	In support. Requests repair of the house on Rotton Park Road entrance.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to include the option for the Rangers Bungalow to be repaired and brought back into life should a deliverable proposal come forward.	The masterplan has been updated to include the option for the Rangers Bungalow to be repaired and brought back into life should a deliverable proposal come forward.
Individual	In support. Requests extension of green area.	Comments noted. The masterplan includes several proposals that will introduce more green areas including the greening of the current closed waterside carpark, integrated green landscaping throughout schemes and the introduction of green roofs.	The masterplan includes several proposals that will introduce more green areas including the greening of the current closed waterside carpark, integrated green landscaping throughout schemes and the introduction of green roofs.
Individual	Concern about natural light being taken away from existing residents.	Concerns noted. Any impact on natural light to existing properties will be assessed at the planning application stage.	No changes required.
Individual	Water users should stay in their current location. The design should cater for their different needs and	Comments noted. Following engagement with the clubs the masterplan proposes to retain the clubs	Following engagement with the clubs the masterplan proposes to retain the clubs at their current locations.

	sufficient storage should be provided.	at their current locations and the council is happy to engage with the clubs around their proposals to improve storage.	
Marine Society and Sea Cadets (MSSC)	Supports the council's aspiration that design should be high-quality and sustainable. States that the proposals need to be viable and deliverable.	Support noted and agree with comments.	No changes required.
Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council- Public Health	Welcome support.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support of any new development alongside the reservoir apart from the redevelopment of the Tower Ballroom site.	Comments noted. Other than the redevelopment of the Tower Ballroom and small-scale improvements to existing buildings, the masterplan does not propose any new buildings alongside the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support. The proposed scale is not in keeping with the Local Nature Reserve.	Concerns noted. The guidance around building heights and scale in the document are based on the design principles, need to deliver a mix of uses and optimise the site for housing delivery. Further details have been added to how views will be protected and enhanced.	The guidance around buildings heights and scale in the document are based on the design principles, need to deliver a mix of uses and optimise the site for housing delivery. Further details have been added to how views will be protected and enhanced.
West Midlands Police	Request that the SPD includes a requirement for applicants to consult at both pre-application and planning applications stage with the centrally based Design Out	Request noted. Other council documents such as the emerging Design Guide will address issues such as Designing out Crime in detail and, as such, there is no need to duplicate this in the masterplan.	No changes required.

	Crime Officers. Suggested wording: 'Measures will be sought to create and maintain environments that design out crime and create safe and accessible environments where crime and disorder and the fear of crime do not undermine quality of life or community cohesion. The need to design out crime and ensure its continued maintenance in all new developments is a cornerstone to successful sustainable communities.' There is insufficient reference to the need to ensure that residents and visitors feel safe, safe parking and safe movement.	Consultation will be undertaken in line with council's existing policies and procedures.	
4 individuals	In support of improved safety through security measures such as CCTV.	Comments noted. The masterplan includes references to creating a safe environment and natural surveillance.	Further references to safety have been included within the masterplan.
Individual	In support. Seeks harmonisation with the Urban Splash development to lead to a unified sense of place.	Comments noted, further details have been added to the masterplan on how the reservoir and the Urban Splash site will interconnect and work together.	Further details have been added to the masterplan on how the reservoir and the Urban Splash site will interconnect and work together.
Individual	Questions if the impact of more lighting and hard walkways on the natural environment has been considered.	Comments noted. The council's ecology team have been involved in the masterplan and individual proposals throughout to ensure any adverse impacts are highlighted and mitigated.	No changes required.

Individual	Not in support of developing high-quality homes in an area of poor-quality housing stock.	Comments noted. The council is committed to delivering new homes and meeting the affordable housing target on the former Tower Ballroom site. The masterplan does not include proposals for existing housing areas as this is outside the scope of this masterplan, there are however other policies and proposals available that look to address the quality of housing in Birmingham.	No changes required.
Individual	Questions if there is going to be a height restriction in place on building developments.	Comments noted. The masterplan includes guidance on building heights. Each application will need to be assessed on its individual merits against the vision and guidance within the masterplan and other adopted policies.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support of the materials proposed for the promenade.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been amended to focus less on hard landscaping in favour of a more natural approach to the walkway.	The masterplan has been amended to focus less on hard landscaping in favour of a more natural approach to the walkway
Individual	Restricting the height of development will allow for Tolkien Towers to stand out.	Comments noted. The masterplan includes guidance on building heights. These are not restrictions as each application will need to be assessed on its individual merits against the vision and guidance within the masterplan and other adopted policies. There is however more detail on the need to protect views, including the identification of landmarks.	The masterplan has been updated to include more detail on the need to protect views, including the identification of landmarks.

Individual	Suggests a smaller building to keep in line with the local environment.	Comments noted. The scale, setting and design principles for the buildings proposed are considered in keeping with the character of reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests sensory areas for those with impairments to ensure inclusivity and accessibility.	Suggestion welcomed. The delivery of sensory areas would be in keeping with the vision in the masterplan and any proposals for such a scheme would be supported in principle. It is therefore not considered necessary to include a direct reference to such a proposal within the masterplan.	No changes required.
5 individuals	Requests careful consideration given to the materials used to ensure local character is maintained.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to include references to the design celebrating the character of the reservoir.	The masterplan has been updated to include references to the design celebrating the character of the reservoir.
2 individuals	Not in support. Disagree that the development is sensitive to the character of the area. Questions where the bore hold pumping building has been incorporated into the plans.	Comments noted. Further work has been done to better reflect the historic assets at the reservoir and how these can be protected and enhanced.	Further work has been done to better reflect the historic assets at the reservoir and how these can be protected and enhanced
4 individuals	Not in support. Design looks intimidating and is not the appropriate aesthetic for the local area.	Comments noted. The computer-generated image (CGI) has been replaced with an illustrative sketch which better reflects the character of the reservoir and the need to enhance the natural setting.	The computer-generated image (CGI) has been replaced with an illustrative sketch which better reflects the character of the reservoir and the need to enhance the natural setting.
Individual	More information required about scale and massing.	Request noted. Further details have been added where appropriate.	Further details have been added where appropriate.

Individual	More information required about the Severn Trent waterworks site.	Request noted. Further details have been added on this opportunity.	Further details have been added on this opportunity.
5 individuals	In support. State the importance of maintenance of materials and infrastructure.	Welcome support and comment noted.	No changes required.
Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Trust	Seek that the SPD commits to using an appropriate lighting strategy along the edge of the reservoir in accordance with Bats and Artificial Lighting in the UK guidance (BCT, 2018).	Request noted. The council will fully engage with the Wildlife Trust on any proposals for lighting.	No changes required.
Individual	In support. Importance of design reflecting the immediate area and Port Loop. Regard should be given to future-proofing any design.	Support welcome and comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to include reference to future proofing.	The masterplan has been updated to include reference to future proofing.
Individual	In support. Suggests using European cities approach to running distance posts and kilometre measurements.	Suggestion welcome. This proposal would be in keeping with the vision and guidance set out in the Activity section of the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Wider improvements are needed to buildings in the area.	Comments noted. The boundary of the masterplan has been drawn to allow for a focussed approach. The surrounding area will be addressed through city-wide plans and strategies and the recently adopted Smethwick to Birmingham Corridor SPD.	No changes required.
Individual	In support. Request public art displays and educational information.	Suggestions welcomed. These ideas have been included within the new 'Celebrating the Reservoir' opportunity in the masterplan.	These ideas have been included within the new 'Celebrating the Reservoir' opportunity in the masterplan.

Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Trust	Support the design statement that development should take opportunities to deliver biodiversity gains. Seek to strengthen this opportunity with a commitment to deliver biodiversity gains across the protected site. This would be furthered secured with a management plan detailing further infrastructure to be provided along the shoreline for bird watching with the provision of screen bird hides. Provision of bird boxes and additional habitat creation is also sought, alongside new interpretation boards onsite detailing the natural history and biodiversity. We would be keen to assist and consult in this production. Request to soften the manmade element of the reservoir.	Comments welcomed. The Wildlife Trust have supported the council in updating the management plan for the Local Nature Reserve and this document has been used to inform the approach towards the recommended enhancements to the natural environment with the masterplan.	The masterplan has been updated to reflect these points and an updated Local Nature Reserve Management Plan has been produced.
Canal & River Trust	Important that the buildings are not so tall that they raise concerns of overbearing or overshadowing impacts. There is no specific mention in the plan of the need to find a way for people to change levels and this should be considered and addressed as it is essential. Nature protection should be the at the southern end of the	Comments noted. The council has worked closely with the Canal & River Trust to address these comments and include the requested information on heights, nature protection and heritage assets.	The masterplan has been updated to include the requested information on heights, nature protection and heritage assets.

	reservoir with commercial activities to the north east. Further details around principles of heritage protection are requested.		
Bearwood and Hagley Road Business Association	Suggest residential development to be facing out and not into the reservoir so that visitors do not feel alienated by residential 'privilege' and so that events are not threatened by resident complaints.	Comments noted. Some properties will face onto the reservoir in order to maximise natural light, the water setting and to provide natural surveillance.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support. Questions why more than minimal aesthetic improvement for recreational use, re-surfacing and landscaping is being proposed.	Comments noted. Some of the proposals within the masterplan, such as the walkway and Natural Parkland are not suggesting huge amounts of change, but instead look to enhance the existing assets in keeping with the natural environment and character of the reservoir. Areas of greater change, such as the former Tower Ballroom site will enhance the reservoir and provide activity whilst protecting the character of the area.	No changes required.

Delivery (now called Delivery and Management)

Consultee	Representation Summary	Officer Response	Proposed Changes to SPD
7 Individuals	General support for the delivery section.	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
13 Individuals	Not in support – nothing should be delivered, and the reservoir should be left as it is.	Comments noted.	No changes required.

7 Individuals	Request that the local community is involved in the delivery of the plans.	Request noted. The masterplan has been amended to incorporate a set of Community Principles which include a commitment to working with the community at the reservoir. The Delivery section of the document also refers to the community under the partnership section of the chapter.	The masterplan has been amended to incorporate Community Principles which include a commitment to working with the community at the reservoir.
19 Individuals, Preet Gill (MP) and Shabana Mahmood (MP)	Request that the views of the nearby community are given significant weight.	Request noted. The council has had continued engagement with the community via the Community Partnership Forum. This second round of consultation will also allow local residents to have a say on the revised masterplan.	The masterplan has been amended to incorporate Community Principles which include a commitment to working with the community at the reservoir.
2 Individuals	Request that the community is kept informed of the delivery programme.	Request noted. The masterplan has been amended to incorporate Community Principles which include a commitment to working with the community at the reservoir.	The masterplan has been amended to incorporate Community Principles which include a commitment to working with the community at the reservoir.
3 Individual	Criticism that the current plans goes against the spirit of partnership working as the local community and water users are opposed to the plan.	Comment noted. The council has had continued engagement with the community via the Community Partnership Forum, this has included working with the water users to agree the future location of their clubs.	No changes required.
7 Individuals	Concerns that private investment will mean the interest of local communities is not given sufficient weight.	Request noted. The masterplan has been amended to incorporate Community Principles which include a commitment to working with the community at the reservoir.	The masterplan has been amended to incorporate Community Principles which include a commitment to working with the community at the reservoir.

Individual	Request that the views from Kings Heath, Moseley and other areas are also taken into consideration.	Comments noted. All representations are fully considered and there is no geographical limitation on who can respond to the consultation.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggestion that local representatives are part of a delivery panel.	Suggestion noted. The masterplan does not set out governance around delivery. If a delivery panel is required to support the delivery of the masterplan, the role of the community on this panel will be given full consideration.	No changes required.
Individual	No concerns about the delivery of the masterplan as long as the reservoir remains free for all.	Comments noted. The masterplan is clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone.	No changes required.
Individual	Support for commitment to maintenance and investment.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
Individual	Request that the delivery is landscape-led.	Comments noted. Delivering a high-quality environment is key to the masterplan vision.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests the masterplan is delivered with ethical and morally sound ethos.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been developed to ensure the environment, heritage, character and local identity of the reservoir is protected and enhanced.	No changes required.
11 Individuals	Criticism the council is placing too much importance on profit / budget pressures.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been developed to ensure the environment, heritage, character and local identity of the reservoir is protected and enhanced.	No changes required.
3 Individuals	Concerns that financial motives of developers will impact on the natural environment.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been developed to ensure the environment, heritage, character and	No changes required. The wording in the masterplan has been strengthened to ensure the environment is given sufficient weight.

		local identity of the reservoir is protected and enhanced. The wording in the masterplan has been strengthened to ensure the environment is given sufficient weight.	
4 individuals	Concerns that private sector investment will mean there is not enough control over what happens at the reservoir.	Concerns noted. The vision in the masterplan will provide the basis for decisions. Consideration will be given to how the long-term maintenance and uses at the reservoir can continued to be influenced by the council.	No changes required.
5 Individuals	Concerns that new facilities will be run by commercial operators when the existing clubs and community are best placed.	Concerns noted. The council has worked continuously with the existing water users to ensure the revised masterplan provides a framework that support their operations and further outreach work with the community. There are also numerous opportunities in the masterplan for the community to occupy space to operate facilities, businesses, enterprises from, should they come forward with deliverable proposals.	No changes required.
Individual	Statement that the local community working with existing water users are willing to take over the management of the reservoir in keeping with the council's localism agenda and as a pioneering ward. This will use an alternative model to S106 and enhance the natural environment.	Suggestion welcome. The council has been working through the Local Nature Reserve Committee to explore ways in which the community can have greater stewardship over the reservoir. Reference to increased stewardship has been included in the revised masterplan.	Reference to increased stewardship has been included in the revised masterplan.

6 Individuals	Concerns that the commercialisation of the site will change its character.	Concerns noted. The masterplan has been developed to ensure the environment, heritage, character and local identity of the reservoir is protected and enhanced.	No changes required.
Individual	Question who will own the flats in the proposed development and concerns that the proposals will result in privatisation.	Comment noted. The delivery mechanism for the new housing has not be determined. The council is committed to delivering a mix of homes at the reservoir, including meeting the target for affordable housing.	No changes required.
4 Individuals	Request that no private funding is used or that the delivery should not depend too much on private funding.	Request noted. The council will explore all delivery mechanism to ensure the right route is chosen to deliver the vision in the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individuals	Concerns that the interest of the new private residents will outweigh those of wider users.	Concerns noted. The masterplan is clear that the reservoir is for everyone and that new residential developments will be well connected and support the vision for the reservoir as set out in the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Criticism that funding the proposals in the masterplan will not achieve anything if it is not what people want.	Comments noted. The council has continuously engaged with the community and existing water user groups to look at how we can better align the masterplan with their vision.	No changes required.
2 individuals	Concerns that a lack of secured funding will mean the proposals do not go ahead.	Concerns noted. The council is committed to delivering the vision in the masterplan and has identified several opportunities which will have different delivery mechanisms.	No changes required.

Individual	Concerns that there is not enough capacity in surrounding infrastructure to deliver the proposals.	Concerns noted. The masterplan delivers the growth agenda set out in the Birmingham Development Plan (BDP) and as part of the BDPs evidence base consideration was given to the infrastructure requirements in this area of the city, further detailed consideration on the impact to infrastructure will be considered through the planning application process.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggestion the masterplan needs to plan for the younger generation to make sure their needs are met.	Suggestion noted. The views of young people have been incorporated into the masterplan's development.	No changes required.
12 Individuals	Request the proposals are delivered quickly.	Comment noted. Work on some of the opportunities has already been delivered, such as the pathway improvements and the council is working on detailed delivering programmes for other elements of the masterplan.	No changes required.
2 Individuals	Development is urgently needed to make the most of the reservoir.	Comment noted. Work on some of the opportunities has already been delivered, such as the pathway improvements and the council is working on detailed delivering programmes for other elements of the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Request that improvements to the loop path is delivered as a priority.	Comment noted. Most of the pathway improvements have now been delivered.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggestion it should be done in time for the Commonwealth Games to increase interest in the reservoir.	Comment noted. Some improvements, such as the pathway have been delivered in times for the games.	No changes required.

Individual	Request that Local Councillors should be involved in delivery.	Comment noted. The Local Councillors will be kept informed on the delivery of the masterplan.	No changes required.
2 Individuals	Support for private sector involvement.	Comment noted. The council will explore all delivery mechanisms to ensure the right route is chosen to deliver the vision in the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Request the council work with the right private sector partners who have a track record of delivering in Birmingham.	Request noted. The council will explore all delivery mechanisms to ensure the right route is chosen to deliver the vision in the masterplan.	No changes required.
2 Individual3	Request that costs and budgets are realistic and manageable.	Comment noted.	No changes required.
3 Individuals, West Midlands Police	Support for partnership working.	Support welcomed. The Delivery section is very clear that partnership working is key to the delivery of the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Support for partnership working that is neutral.	Support welcomed. The Delivery section is very clear that partnership working is key to the masterplan's delivery.	No changes required.
4 Individuals	Request the council work with wildlife and green organisations to ensure positives for the environment.	Support welcomed. The Delivery section is very clear that partnership working is key to the masterplan's delivery – this includes continuing to work with the Wildlife Trust and the Canal & River Trust who have been instrumental in shaping the masterplan.	No changes required.
2 Individual	Suggestion that Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Trust should be a key partner.	Suggestion noted and agreed. The Wildlife Trust have been involved in the masterplan production.	The Wildlife Trust are listed as a partner in the Delivery section.

Individual	Suggestion that the Woodland Trust is involved.	Suggestion noted, the Woodland Trust will be consulted on the revised masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggestion the council works with Seven Trent.	Suggestion noted and agreed. As owners of one of the opportunity sites, the council has worked with Severn Trent on the masterplan.	Severn Trent are listed as a partner in the Delivery section.
Individual and Bearwood & Hagley Road Business Association	Request the council work with local businesses, suppliers and workforce to deliver the proposals. Including The new Avery Fields site on Sandon Road.	Requested noted. The procurement of services, suppliers and workforce for any council schemes will be undertaken in line with the policies and procedures in place.	No changes required.
3 individuals	Request for independent businesses and not chains to be located at the reservoir.	Request noted. The masterplan has been developed to ensure the environment, heritage, character and local identity of the reservoir is protected and enhanced.	No changes required.
10 Individuals	Request the council work in partnership with the existing water users.	Request noted. The council has had ongoing positive discussions with the water users which have resulted in the masterplan being amended to better reflect their vision for the future of each club.	The council has had ongoing positive discussions with the water users which have resulted in the masterplan being amended to better reflect their vision for the future of each club
Individual	Request from local artists to be involved in the delivery.	Request noted. Local art groups have been involved via the Community Partnership Forum and there will be opportunities for continued engagement.	No changes required.
Individual	Request that the community own the accommodation and other resources.	Request noted. At present, no details have been submitted to the council that demonstrate the community have a	No changes required.

		deliverable proposal to own resources at the reservoir. The masterplan includes opportunities that could provide appropriate buildings/premises/areas of land for community-led projects, especially Reservoir Lodge and bungalow.	
Individual	Request a reference to Community Asset Transfer.	Request noted. This process sits outside of planning and is therefore not appropriate for the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggestion that the developers of Port loop should commit money to the construction and upkeep of the reservoir as the site provides amenity space for new residents.	Suggestion noted. These are issues that would be addressed at a planning application stage.	No changes required.
Individual	Question if the council could collect a small annual 'maintenance' payment from all new homeowners at Telford Place and Reservoir View and Port Loop etc for the continued investment in the upkeep of the reservoir.	Suggestion noted. Consideration will be given to the role residential developments within the masterplan boundary play in supporting the maintenance of the reservoir as part of the further work undertaken on site delivery and the planning application process.	No changes required.
2 Individuals	Suggestion the council works with the universities, schools, cultural intuitions and make connections with the commonwealth Games.	Suggestion noted. The outreach work for the Commonwealth Games is a separate process so has not been reflected in the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggestion that if the Osler Park needs to be built on in order to achieve the vision then the masterplan should be reconsidered.	Comments noted. The proposal to build on Osler Street Park has been removed from the masterplan.	The proposal to build on Osler Street Park has been removed from the masterplan.

Individual	Request that Osler park is invested in and not developed on.	Comments noted. The proposal to build on Osler Street Park has been removed from the masterplan.	The proposal to build on Osler Street Park has been removed from the masterplan.
Individual	Waterside development should not be used to fund the improvements.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been revised to set out the policy position behind the approach to development at the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Criticism that the masterplan proposed to build on a park that was delivered using S106 and now proposes to use S106 to deliver other improvements.	Comments noted. The proposal to build on Osler Street Park has been removed from the masterplan.	The proposal to build on Osler Street Park has been removed from the masterplan.
2 Individuals	Concerns that areas of the reservoir will be closed for access during the delivery of the proposals.	Concerns noted. The council will work with partners delivering schemes to ensure any impact on pathways during construction is minimised as much as possible.	No changes required.
3 Individuals	Request that the walkway around the reservoir remains open throughout any construction.	Concerns noted. The council will work with partners delivering schemes to ensure any impact on pathways during construction is minimised as much as possible.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggestion that the proposals are delivered at the same time as Port Loop to minimise disruption.	Comments noted. The masterplan does not set the timescales for individual schemes as this can only be determined once schemes have progressed to the delivery stage.	No changes required.
Individual	Concerns that the level of detail in the delivery section suggested the proposal in the plan will not get delivered.	Comments noted. Further details have been added to the Delivery section of the masterplan.	Further details have been added to the Delivery section of the masterplan.

12 Individuals	Request for more information on delivery.	Request noted. Further details have been added to the Delivery section of the masterplan.	Further details have been added to the Delivery section of the masterplan.
4 Individual	Request for more detail on who the council intends to develop the proposals.	Request noted. The council is exploring a range of options for different elements of the masterplan as such, it is not considered appropriate to detail this level of information in the document.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggestion that fundraising and partnerships for delivery and engagement work need to be clearly identified to ensure the delivery of suitable space.	Request noted. Further details have been added to the Delivery section of the masterplan.	Further details have been added to the Delivery section of the masterplan.
2 Individuals	Request for details on phasing and timescales of schemes.	Request noted. Where details are known about indicative phasing timescales these have been added, for example for the Edgbaston Waterworks site.	Where details are known about timescales these have been added, for example for the Edgbaston Waterworks site.
5 Individuals	Request for plain language and clear statements on delivery.	Request noted. Further details have been added to the Delivery section of the masterplan.	Further details have been added to the Delivery section of the masterplan. The masterplan has also been revised to use plain language.
Individual	Question if there is a sustainability plan.	Comment noted. The masterplan has been amended to further imbed sustainability within the vision and opportunities.	The masterplan has been amended to further imbed sustainability within the vision and opportunities.
10 Individuals	Question where the funding for the proposals will come from.	Comment noted. The masterplan sets the vision for the reservoir. The delivery of individual opportunities will be further developed as part of delivering this vision. There will be multiple funding	No changes required.

		streams used to deliver the opportunities within the masterplan.	
65 individuals	Concerns the council has no money to support the delivery.	Concerns noted. The council is committed to delivering the vision within the masterplan and will explore new ways of working and delivery.	No changes required.
Angling Club	Question if Sport England will fund proposals that do not meet the needs of existing clubs and the angling club.	Comments noted. The council has worked with water users to better align the masterplan with their vision for the future. It is not appropriate for the council to comment on funding decisions made by partners.	No changes required.
3 Individuals	Question the economic viability of a single water facility as the current groups rely on volunteers and affordable rents.	Comments noted. The council has worked with water users to better align the masterplan with their vision for the future. The proposal for a single water facility has therefore been removed from the masterplan.	The proposal for a single water facility has therefore been removed from the masterplan
14 Individuals	Question how the ongoing maintenance will be funded.	Comments noted. The council recognises the need for ongoing maintenance and will be looking at a variety of ways to work with partners to manage and fund this in the long-term.	No changes required.
8 Individuals and Midland Sailing Club and Birmingham Rowing Club	Request for more detail on how the site will be managed and ran.	Comments noted. The council recognises the need for ongoing maintenance and will be looking at a variety of ways to manage and fund this in the long-term.	No changes required.
2 individuals	Suggestion of a separate management plan.	Comments noted. The council recognises the need for ongoing maintenance and	No changes required.

		will be looking at a variety of ways to manage and fund this in the long-term.	
4 individuals	The management of the site needs to consider tackling anti-social behaviour.	Comments noted. Increased activity at the reservoir will help address anti-social behaviour and the council will work with partners to address issues that arise.	No changes required.
3 individuals	Concerns the proposals will not be financially accessible to the local community.	Concerns noted. The masterplan vision makes it clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone. There are numerous opportunities that will be accessible for all the community such as improved public realm, public open space and spaces for community activity.	No changes required.
Individual	Request that there is as much free space and activity as possible to ensure the local community is not costed out.	Request noted. The masterplan vision makes it clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone. There are numerous opportunities that will be accessible for all the community such as improved public realm, public open space and spaces for community activity.	No changes required.
Individual	Keep facilities public and not commercially ran.	Request noted. The masterplan vision makes it clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone. There are numerous opportunities that will be accessible for all the community such as improved public realm, public open space and spaces for community activity.	No changes required.
5 Individuals	Suggest the masterplan is a waste of money.	Comments noted.	No changes required.

Individual	Concerns about the long-term viability of non-residential units and the creation of empty units.	Concerns noted. The council is aware of the need to ensure the long-term sustainable use of any premises for non-residential uses and would expect any proposals to be informed by up-to-date information on need and demands for uses.	No changes required.
Individual	Support for the redevelopment of the area to provide homes which can then provide S106 money to fund improvements in public realm.	Welcome support.	No changes required.
3 Individuals	Question when the S106 money will be received.	Comment noted. S106 money has been received and used to implement the improvements to the walkway around the reservoir.	No changes required.
2 Individuals	Request a breakdown of the S106 money.	Comment noted. This level of detail is not appropriate for the masterplan. Any request for data can be made to the council's S106 team.	No changes required.
Individual	Section 106 funding must be apportioned equably and according to need.	Comments noted. The S106 process has its own policies and procedures which will be followed at the reservoir.	No changes required.
2 Individuals	Request that S106 contributions from the Icknield Port Loop developments provide the connection down from the reservoir to Icknield Port Loop.	Comments noted. The S106 process has its own policies and procedures which will be followed at the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Request that S106 money was invested in better entrances, additional water supply to keep the	Comment noted. The S106 process has its own policies and procedures which will be followed at the reservoir.	No changes required.

	reservoir full all year round, investing in the existing clubs and providing a ranger service.		
Individual	Delivery of the masterplan should not rely on S106, it's a council-owned site and the council should fund the improvements.	Comments noted. S106 is one of several funding mechanisms that will be considered.	No changes required.
Individual	Criticism of the amount of S106 and how it is spent.	Comment noted. The S106 process has its own policies and procedures which will be followed at the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggestion that the proposals are funded through CIL.	Comments noted. If appropriate, the use of CIL will be considered as a delivery mechanism.	No changes required.
Individual	Request that the sustainability of the construction and materials used is given consideration.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to refer to the sustainability of materials and the recycling of demolition materials.	The masterplan has been updated to refer to the sustainability of materials and the recycling of demolition materials.
Individual	Request the council consider community-led housing development.	Request noted. The masterplan does not set out the delivery mechanisms. The council will explore all delivery mechanisms to ensure the right route is chosen to deliver the vision in the masterplan.	No changes required.
2 Individuals	Request the council consider the reservoir site is placed in a trust.	Request noted. The council will explore all delivery mechanisms to ensure the right route is chosen to deliver the vision in the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Concerns about the type of housing that will be delivered and how affordability will be ensured.	Concerns noted. All schemes will be assessed against the masterplan and other adopted local plan policies. These include policies on housing mix and	The masterplan has been updated to cross reference these policies to emphasise the council's commitment to delivering affordable housing at the reservoir.

		affordability. The masterplan has been updated to cross reference these policies to emphasise the council's commitment to delivering affordable housing at the reservoir.	
Individual	Concerns about local people being able to afford the housing.	Concerns noted. All schemes will be assessed against the masterplan and other adopted local plan policies. These include policies on housing mix and affordability. The masterplan has been updated to cross reference these policies to emphasise the council's commitment to delivering affordable housing at the reservoir.	The masterplan has been updated to cross reference these policies to emphasise the council's commitment to delivering affordable housing at the reservoir.
8 Individual	Criticism the council should focus on other services such as bins, homelessness, children services.	Comments noted.	No changes required.
The Scout Association - County of Birmingham	Request to be involved in the process.	Request noted. Engagement will be ongoing throughout the delivery of the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Request the delivery is high-quality.	Request noted.	No changes required.
Individual	Request the money is spent on leisure and recreation facilities and not housing.	Request noted. The masterplan has several opportunities identified that are not housing schemes.	No changes required.
Individual	Request for affordable regular programmes of activity based on the local needs. Possibly in conjunction with community	Request noted. The Activity section of the masterplan would support the delivery of such programmes.	No changes required.

	service providers and medical practices.		
12 Individuals	Request for a ranger to be provided to maintain and police the site.	Request noted. We understand the community would like to see a Rangers Service at the reservoir but there are no resources to secure this service at present. In line with the approach taken at several other parks and nature reserves across Birmingham, the council is eager to work with the Local Nature Reserve Committee to establish a greater role for the community.	No changes required.
5 Individuals	Suggest the council look at examples elsewhere.	Comments noted. The council has looked at examples from other locations in the UK and internationally. This will continue as the delivery of the opportunities is developed further.	No changes required.
Individual	Request details on how this will support local jobs.	Comments noted. The creation of more uses around the reservoir will provide job opportunities and the council will work with any occupiers as part of its social value procedures.	No changes required.
Individual	Question the long-term maintenance of the materials – especially the wood as show in the images.	Comments noted. The maintenance of building materials will be considered as part of the individual development of schemes and the planning application process.	No changes required.
Individual	Request that consideration is given to local residents during construction.	Request noted. As with any construction scheme, consideration will be given to the impact on surrounding residential	No changes required.

		areas as part of the delivery of a proposal.	
Sport England	Delivery section needs to be developed further. It is recommended that a Business Plan is prepared which would include a costed and timetabled action plan for implementation together with details of management and maintenance to demonstrate sustainable long-term stewardship. The masterplan should have more details in timescales.	Comments noted. The council is keen to continue working with Sport England on delivery, which may include a business plan for council-led proposals.	No changes required.
Sport England	The masterplan should set out what contribution will be expected from the development at Thomas Telford Place to the funding of the project.	Comments noted. This level of detail is not available given the stage the development of the former Tower Ballroom is at.	No changes required.
Individual	Edgbaston Watersports should seek further financial assistance by developing partnerships with all the universities within Birmingham. They could seek further financial support by offering naming rights for the centre to adventurous commercial partners.	Suggestion noted. The water clubs are working on their plans for the future and the council will support these as appropriate.	No changes required.
Canal & River Trust	It is important for the city council to engage with existing user groups to discuss how future use can be accommodated, encouraged and used to promote activities to a	Comments noted. The council has worked with the Canal & River Trust to incorporate and address these comments.	No changes required.

	<p>wider audience and increase local participation. It is also important to ensure that the built environment and public spaces are well maintained and managed in the future. There will therefore need to be emphasis on social, economic and cultural aspects as well as the built and natural environment. Further detailed design principles will need to be agreed and articulated to ensure that the principles are carried through into the details of any developments that are proposed. A programme showing the next stages in the development and delivery of the document should be mapped out as a guide to intended progress.</p>		
Marine Society and Sea Cadets (MSSC)	<p>Welcome the recognition that the long-term success of the site will be dependent upon continuing engagement with stakeholders and the community. MSSC is keen to continue its involvement as a key stakeholder in the development of an updated site-wide management and maintenance plan with long term accountability.</p>	Support welcomed.	No changes required.
West Midlands Police	<p>Want to be part of the partnership working and requests wording is</p>	Comments noted. The approach towards the police receiving developer	No changes required.

	included in the masterplan on developer contributions towards delivering safe communities.	contributions is outside the scope of the masterplan.	
Individual	Management required to sustain reservoir area.	Comments noted. The masterplan recognises the need for management at the reservoir.	No changes required.

Other

Consultee	Representation Summary	Officer Response	Proposed Changes to SPD
7 Individuals	Criticism of the consultation process as notice was not given to residents within the masterplan boundary and the local community have not been involved.	Comments noted. The consultation undertaken met the requirements of planning regulations and the council's adopted Statement of Community Involvement. Since the last consultation, continuous consultation has been undertaken with the local community through the Community Partnership Forum and with current water user clubs.	No changes required.
Individual	Request the plan includes plans to renovate Perrott's Folly.	Request noted. Perrott's Folly is outside of the boundary of the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Port Loop 'House' delivery should not be done in working hours as it makes roads dangerous.	Comments noted. The operational hours of construction at Port Loop are outside of the scope of the masterplan.	No changes required.
3 individuals	Concern over too much commercialisation.	Concerns noted. The masterplan provides a clear vision for the reservoir that will deliver improvements for all who enjoy the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Does not believe the council has the ability to organise and deliver this masterplan.	Comments noted.	No changes required.
8 individuals	Not in support.	Comments noted.	No changes required.

14 individuals	<p>More information needed. Request the plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides more detail • Removes planning jargon and uses simple language • Includes information about long-term maintenance 	Comments noted. The masterplan has been revised to provide further detail, use plain language and make reference to maintenance as part of the delivery section.	The masterplan has been revised to provide further detail, use plain language and make reference to maintenance as part of the delivery section
5 individuals	Concern over accessibility. Question whether development will result in an increased cost of the current affordable facilities.	Concerns noted. The masterplan no longer proposes to relocate the water users but looks to support the water clubs in their existing locations.	No changes required.
Individual	Concern over the proposed apartments becoming private land and therefore restricting public access around the reservoir.	Concerns noted. The masterplan includes several design principles that will ensure residential developments do not create private spaces that restrict access to the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests that following the redevelopment, more access is granted to the city's low-income households. States that charging entry to the average person, including parking, will restrict access to those who can access the space now.	Request noted. There are no proposals to charge for access to the reservoir and the masterplan is clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone. The masterplan does not set out a management regime for car parking.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests that activities remain free and accessible.	Request noted. The masterplan does not set out the details around uses and their operation but rather provides a vision for what uses would be supported. The masterplan does however include proposals that will improve the spaces in	No changes required.

		which free activities could take place such as the walkways, greened car parking event space and enhanced public realm in front of Osler Place.	
Individual	Concern over anti-social behaviour. States that more visitors will intensify the issues.	Concerns noted. Increased visitors, especially over longer hours will provide more natural surveillance and help to address issues around anti-social behaviour.	No changes required.
7 individuals	Concern over anti-social behaviour. Request this issue is seen as a priority and should be addressed and managed.	Concerns noted. Increased visitors, especially over longer hours will provide more natural surveillance and help to address issues around anti-social behaviour.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests 24/7 security.	Concerns noted. Increased visitors, especially over longer hours will provide more natural surveillance and help to address issues around anti-social behaviour.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests a warden presence to prevent anti-social behaviour and maximise the sporting and leisure activities.	Concerns noted. Increased visitors, especially over longer hours will provide more natural surveillance and help to address issues around anti-social behaviour. The council will work with operators at the reservoir to support activity as appropriate.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support. Concerned development will destroy the space as it is currently used and enjoyed by the local area.	Concerns noted. The masterplan strikes the balance between protecting and enhancing the existing assets, protecting the natural environment and providing	No changes required.

		facilities that meet existing and future resident's needs.	
Individual	Requests a mixed-method approach to consultation for those in the area and beyond. States that not everyone is on social media.	Request noted. The consultation did involve a mixed method approach with officers attending events, holding drop-in events and materials being available at local libraries.	No changes required.
Individual	Questions the council's motivations. Criticises the council for not understanding of the community's development needs. Request that local people are a priority. Request more information about how local community will be directly impacted. Criticism of planning jargon being used.	Comments noted. The council has worked with the community via the Community Partnership Forum with the aim of addressing such criticism.	The masterplan has been revised to use plain language.
Individual	States the council has worked against residents and have not addressed residents' concerns.	Comments noted. The council has worked with the community through the Community Partnership Forum with the aim of addressing such criticism.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests to be consulted again before any work takes place.	A second round of consultation is being undertaken on the revised masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	States the consultation was not well advertised and did not provide a chance for a wide range of people to have their say.	Comments noted. The consultation undertaken met the requirements of planning regulations and the council's adopted Statement of Community Involvement. Since the last formal public consultation continuous consultation has been undertaken with the local community and with current water sport	No changes required.

		clubs through the Community Partnership Forum.	
Individual	Questions whether the public's view will be taken into account.	Comments noted. This table sets out the ways in which the previous consultation has informed the revised masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests that plans are displayed in local churches and schools for people to view before a decision is agreed.	Request noted. The document was placed in the local libraries and is made available on request for any community groups who wish to have hard copies. The consultation undertaken was robust and a second round of consultation is being undertaken on the revised masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Criticism that the public consultation was not shaped by local residents.	Comments noted. The consultation undertaken met the requirements of planning regulations and the council's adopted Statement of Community Involvement. Since the last formal public consultation continuous consultation has been undertaken with the local community and with current water sport clubs through the Community Partnership Forum.	No changes required.
Individual	State the questionnaire did not ask if you're a visitor to the reservoir and there was no mention of Tolkien Walk.	Comments noted. The questionnaire is open for anyone to respond to. The questionnaire did not specifically ask a question on 'Tolkien Walk', however there was an opportunity to provide any other comments on the masterplan including Tolkien Walk under the following question: 'Do you have any	No changes required.

		other comments on this Draft Masterplan?’	
Individual	Requests the council listens to the existing users.	Comments noted. This table sets out the ways in which the previous consultation has informed the revised masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests the council take note of the alternative plan that local groups are creating.	Comments noted. Since the last formal public consultation, continuous consultation has been undertaken with the local community and with current water sport clubs through the Community Partnership Forum.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests to be kept informed.	Request noted. Everyone who formally responded to the consultation will be notified of progress with the masterplans production.	No changes required.
Individual	States the planning process used at the council needs to change. Requests more genuine public consultation prior to plans being drafted and increased transparency.	Comments noted. Since the last formal public consultation continuous consultation has been undertaken with the local community and with current water sport clubs through the Community Partnership Forum.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests consultation is restarted with more meaningful engagement.	Comments noted. Since the last formal public consultation continuous consultation has been undertaken with the local community and with current water sport clubs through the Community Partnership Forum.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support of any development. Requests the council	Comments noted. Since the last formal public consultation continuous consultation has been undertaken with	No changes required.

	listens to the local people and that the consultation is not a formality.	the local community and with current water sport clubs through the Community Partnership Forum.	
Individual	States all existing institutions in the masterplan boundary should be consulted throughout the process for full transparency.	Comments noted. Since the last formal public consultation continuous consultation has been undertaken with the local community and with current water sport clubs through the Community Partnership Forum.	No changes required.
Individual	Criticism that work from previous consultations have not been taken into account.	Comments noted.	No changes required.
8 individuals	Question the council's motivations. Criticism the council is prioritising profit from housing over conservation and local needs.	Comments noted. The masterplan provides a framework for protecting the natural environment, providing community benefits and delivering homes to meet the city's housing needs.	No changes required.
Individual	States that the development has only short-term goals and questions the council's motivations.	Comments noted. The masterplan provides a framework for protecting the natural environment, providing community benefits and delivering homes to meet the city's housing needs.	No changes required.
Individual	Questions the council's motivations. States that targets are being prioritised over nature.	Comments noted. The masterplan provides a framework for protecting the natural environment, providing community benefits and delivering homes to meet the city's housing needs.	No changes required.
Individual	Consultation process needed to be longer.	Request noted. The consultation period was extended to twelve weeks during the consultation process and a second round	No changes required.

		of consultation will be undertaken on the revised masterplan.	
Individual	States that the site should be taken out of the council's control and made into a reservoir trust.	Request noted. The council will explore all delivery mechanisms to ensure the right route is chosen to deliver the vision in the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Suggests renaming Edgbaston Reservoir to Ladywood Lake.	Suggestion noted. This is outside the scope of the masterplan and a separate process would need to be undertaken to rename the reservoir.	No changes required.
2 individuals	Requests collaboration with all key stakeholders. States that proper engagement is vital at this stage.	Comments noted. Since the last formal public consultation continuous consultation has been undertaken with the local community and with current water sport clubs through the Community Partnership Forum.	No changes required.
Individual	Questions the council's motivations and expresses distrust over the spending of public money.	Comments noted. The masterplan provides a framework for protecting the natural environment, providing community benefits and delivering homes to meet the city's housing needs.	No changes required.
2 individuals	Concern over lack of consultation with local residents.	Comments noted. Since the last formal public consultation continuous consultation has been undertaken with the local community and with current water sport clubs through the Community Partnership Forum.	No changes required.
Individual	Questions if key stakeholders have already been consulted.	Comments noted. Since the last formal public consultation continuous consultation has been undertaken with the local community and with current	No changes required.

		water sport clubs through the Community Partnership Forum.	
Individual	Requests more information about who the stakeholders are.	Comments noted. Further detail has been added to the masterplan to set out who the main stakeholders are.	Further detail has been added to the masterplan to set out who the main stakeholders are.
Individual	Requests more information and continuous public engagement.	Comments noted. Since the last consultation formal public continuous consultation has been undertaken with the local community and with current water sport clubs through the Community Partnership Forum. Further detail has been added to the masterplan.	Further detail has been added to the masterplan.
Individual	Criticism that council officers working on the project have not visited the reservoir.	Comments noted. All officers working on the masterplan have visited the reservoir and attended regular meetings with the community and water users on site at the reservoir.	No changes required.
Individual	Criticism council officers do not care about health and wellbeing of reservoir users.	Comments noted. Supporting community health and wellbeing is key and the masterplan has been updated to include stronger references to the role of the reservoir in health and wellbeing.	The masterplan has been updated to include stronger references to the role of the reservoir in health and wellbeing
Individual	Requests more information regarding what impact assessments were done.	Comments noted. The council has the necessary evidence required to inform a Supplementary Planning Document that hangs off an adopted local plan.	No changes required.
Individual	Not in support of housing.	Noted.	No changes required.
Individual	States that the pictures in the masterplan offer an idealistic vision that is not realistic.	Comments noted. The images are precedent images to help bring the vision for the reservoir alive.	No changes required.

2 individuals	Full support of alternative vision of the Community Consortium.	Noted.	No changes required.
2 individuals	Concern around sustainability impacts of development.	Comments noted. The masterplan has been updated to include further details around sustainability, including a new development principle.	No changes required.
Individual	States that the tone of the document is too futuristic which gives the impression that the objective of the plan is to have the reservoir copy Brindley Place.	Comments noted. The masterplan tone has been revised to provide a vision that highlights the role of the natural environment and the community further.	The masterplan tone has been revised to provide a vision that highlights the role of the natural environment and the community further.
Individual	States the area lacks civic pride and expresses concern around the rubbish associated with the houses of multiple occupancy.	Comments noted. The masterplan provides a vision that will enhance the reservoir and surrounding area. This should help raise civic pride and result in less issues such as littering.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests a visual masterplan.	Request noted. The masterplan has been updated to include an artist's impression sketch of the former Tower Ballroom site and indicative site plans for the opportunity areas. Further details will not be available until further work is undertaken on the individual schemes.	No changes required.
Individual	Requests more attention given to protect the existing site.	Request noted. The masterplan has been amended to provide more guidance on how the existing features and assets will be protected and enhanced.	The masterplan has been amended to provide more guidance on how the existing features and assets will be protected and enhanced.
Individual	States that the vision is unrealistic.	Comments noted.	No changes required.

Individual	Request the council listens to the support group for this area and take guidance from them.	Comments noted. It is not clear what the support group is, but since the last formal public consultation, continuous consultation has been undertaken with the local community and with current water sport clubs through the Community Partnership Forum.	No changes required.
Individual	States the masterplan makes no reference to how the reservoir is managed. Concern over anti-social behaviour, fishing in dangerous places, BBQs around the shore and people going into the water. States the council is currently unable to manage these issues effectively and increased activity will intensify these issues.	Comments noted. Increased activity at the reservoir will help address anti-social behaviour and the council will work with partners to address issues that arise.	No changes required.
Royal Life Saving Society	Welcome the opportunity to work in collaboration with the council to help make the reservoir a safe and enjoyable place for the residents of Birmingham to enjoy.	Welcome offer.	No changes required.
National Grid	Has identified that it has no electricity and gas transmission apparatus within the masterplan area.	Comments noted.	No changes required.
Individual	States the photos in the plan have no relevance to Edgbaston Reservoir.	Comments noted. Some of the images included are precedent images with the purpose of bringing the vision alive. All photos have been reviewed and replaced	All photos have been reviewed and replaced as appropriate in order to better align with the revised masterplan text.

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3 individuals	Concern over gentrification associated with proposed apartments. State that it will result in exclusion of existing community and prioritising of new residents.	Concerns noted. The masterplan is clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone and improvements proposed in the document will provide spaces and facilities that bring together existing and future residents.	No changes required.
Individual	Concern the masterplan has been written for developers rather than the reservoir users.	Concerns noted. The masterplan has been written for a range of stakeholders. The masterplan has been revised and drafts shared with the community members of the Community Partnership Forum for comments and suggested amendments. This has resulted in the revised masterplan having a stronger community voice.	The masterplan has been revised and drafts shared with the community members of the Community Partnership Forum for comments and suggested amendments. This has resulted in the revised masterplan having a stronger community voice.
Individual	Requests the council looks at examples of other reservoirs.	Request noted. Officers did consider other reservoirs in both the UK and outside of the UK when developing the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Concern over gentrification of the reservoir and a gated community forming for new residents.	Concerns noted. The masterplan is clear that the reservoir belongs to everyone and that improvements proposed in the document will provide spaces and facilities that bring together existing and future residents.	No changes required.
Individual	Questions the council's priorities. States bin collection should be the focus, not the reservoir.	Comments noted. Bin collections are beyond the remit of the masterplan.	No changes required.

Individual	Supports proposals in the masterplan as long as they are not funded by money received from taxes.	Comments noted.	No changes required.
Individual	Criticism of the consultation process. States they were unaware of the plans for the site.	Comments noted. The consultation undertaken met the requirements of planning regulations and the council's adopted Statement of Community Involvement.	No changes required.
Individual	Concern that the area will be ignored due to its ethnically diverse local community.	Comments noted. The reservoir area is within a priority area in the Birmingham Development Plan and the Council is committed to adopting and delivering the masterplan.	No changes required.
Individual	Asks if the reservoir water is still used to augment the city supply of drinking water.	Question noted. The council is not aware of the water being used for drinking water.	No changes required.
Individual	Criticism that the council was not clear about housing proposals from the start of the consultation. States that there was no consultation with people living near Osler Street about the idea of building on the play area. Questions why the water users' views are not reflected in the masterplan. States that no visitor surveys have been carried out to gather an understanding of reservoir users.	Comments noted. The proposals for residential on the former Tower Ballroom are set out in the Birmingham Development Plan that had its own consultation and approval process. The proposal to develop on Osler Street Park have been removed from the masterplan. The council has worked with the water clubs and the masterplan has been amended to reflect their preferences to stay in their current locations.	The proposal to develop on Osler Street Park have been removed from the masterplan. The council has worked with the water clubs and the masterplan has been amended to reflect their preferences to stay in their current locations.
Canal & River Trust	The Trust needs to continue to be able to maintain the operational	Comments noted. The council has worked with the Canal & River Trust on	The council has worked with the Canal & River Trust on the revised masterplan is

	and reservoir safety aspects of the reservoir. It is important that the water remains sufficient, safe and controlled for the enjoyment of users and the customers of the wider canal network that the reservoir water feeds.	the revised masterplan is ensure that appropriate wording is included around the function of the reservoir.	ensure that appropriate wording is included around the function of the reservoir.
Worcester, Birmingham & Droitwich Canals Society and The Lapal Canal Trust	Concern that insufficient emphasis is given to the fact that Edgbaston Reservoir is a canal feeder reservoir. Request the recognition that the Canal & River Trust must continue to be able to draw water from the reservoir.	Comments noted. The council has worked with the Canal & River Trust on the revised masterplan to ensure appropriate wording is included around the function of the reservoir.	The council has worked with the Canal & River Trust on the revised masterplan to ensure appropriate wording is included around the function of the reservoir.
Individual	Suggests an archaeological investigation of the Engine House. States that the history of the operations of the reservoir is currently under-represented.	Suggestions noted. Further details have been added to the masterplan to celebrate the historic character of the reservoir.	Further details have been added to the masterplan to celebrate the historic character of the reservoir.
Bearwood and Hagley Road Business Association	Suggest encouraging the development of the Monument Road shopping parades and repurposing the Tower Social Club as a small business hub. Would like to see Ladywood Leisure Centre better connected with the reservoir as it has the potential to act as a gateway to the reservoir.	Suggestions noted. Monument Road shopping parade is outside of the masterplan boundary. The Tower Social Club is now included in the masterplan but is proposed for redevelopment as housing. The wording in the masterplan has been updated to include commercial uses being appropriate at Osler Place. Small scale businesses start up would be supported in principle, on the condition that they enhance the waterside experience and activate the site.	The Tower Social Club is now included in the masterplan but is proposed for redevelopment as housing. The wording in the masterplan has been updated to include commercial uses being appropriate at Osler Place. Small scale businesses start up would be supported in principle, on the condition that they enhance the waterside experience and activate the site. Improved connectivity to the Leisure Centre has been included in the revised masterplan.

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Inland Waterways Association	Request it be noted there are ongoing problems with the feeder supplies to the Birmingham Canal, one of which has been unresolved for several years. The plan should be revised to say that the water requirements for safe navigation of the Birmingham Level will continue to take precedence over the water requirements of Edgbaston Reservoir.	Comments noted. The council has worked with the Canal & River Trust on the revised masterplan to ensure that appropriate wording is included around the function of the reservoir.	The council has worked with the Canal & River Trust on the revised masterplan to ensure that appropriate wording is included around the function of the reservoir.
Individual	<p>Questions if the plan involves removing materials and fixtures intact to be offered on/or enhanced into the new build. Not for nostalgia but for sustainable purposes. Asks how the council can influence these types of decisions.</p> <p>Criticism that the consultation period was not long enough for more meaningful engagement with the local community before making decisions about the plan.</p>	<p>Suggestion noted. The demolition requirements of the Tower Ballroom have included a request to consider what materials can be saved and re-used in recognition of the important role the site played in the social history of Birmingham. Other materials will be recycled in line with regulations and the council's existing procedures.</p> <p>The consultation period was extended during the process. Since the last consultation, continuous consultation has been undertaken with the local community and with current water sport clubs through the Community Partnership Forum.</p>	No changes required.

Individual	<p>Concerned that the masterplan boundary includes a number of homes that are being lived in at present in the Ladywood area. Questions why they are included in the boundary when at the meeting they were told that the plans had nothing to do with these homes. Requests confirmation that there are no plans to undertake any action on these homes and for the boundary to be removed from these homes.</p>	<p>Concerns noted. The residential areas are included in the boundary simple in order to provide a boundary for the masterplan that is logical. There are no proposals for the residential units and as such it is not necessary to remove them from the boundary.</p>	<p>No changes required.</p>
Severn Trent	<p>Supportive of the vision however cannot commit to the Waterworks Site being a part of it. State that the site is required for ongoing operational activities and therefore cannot be redeveloped. Do not want housing as a short or medium-term aspiration. Welcome the idea of educating the visitors and residents of the area to understand the role their site plays, however, cannot allow access through the site.</p>	<p>Comments noted. The council has engaged with Severn Trent on the revised masterplan and the document has been amended to make it clear the site is still in operation by Severn Trent and the proposals for housing are long-term and would only advance should Severn Trent no longer need the site. Support for the education and visitor information is welcomed and Severn Trent have been listed as a potential partner to deliver the projects in the 'Celebrating the Reservoir' section of the masterplan.</p>	<p>The masterplan has been amended to make it clear that the site is still in operation by Severn Trent and the proposals for housing are long term and would only advance should Severn Trent no longer need the site. Severn Trent have been listed as a potential partner to deliver the projects within the 'Celebrating the Reservoir' section of the masterplan.</p>
Individual	<p>Criticism that the presentation was biased. States that the jargon does not make sense. Feels that the images used are too built and man-made. States that the images of</p>	<p>Comments noted. The wording and images within the masterplan have been amended to better reflect the need to protect and enhance the natural environment. Reference to the Working</p>	<p>The wording and images within the masterplan have been amended to better reflect the need to protect and enhance the natural environment. Reference to the Working Together with Birmingham's</p>

	the water are misleading and that there is a lack of images showing sensitive design and conservation. The plan should refer to the policies in Developing Community Assets (Section 9.3 under Priority 3) and the Working Together with Birmingham's Neighbourhoods White Paper.	Together with Birmingham's Neighbourhoods White Paper has been included in the policy section of the masterplan.	Neighbourhoods White Paper has been included in the policy section of the masterplan.
Individual	Issue with downloading the document.	Comments noted. The document was emailed to the individual on request and made available in the local libraries.	No changes required.
MAL Explosive Ordnance Disposal LTD	State that there is a possible Unexploded Ordnance risk in some parts of the site.	Comments noted. All necessary regulations and procedures will be followed when sites are delivered.	No changes required.

Appendix C: Alternative Plan submitted by the Community Consortium



EDGBASTON RESERVOIR

A COMMUNITY-LED VISION

Compiled by A Community Consortium
- July 2019

Foreword

“As Birmingham is England’s only Biophilic City we really need to live up to our commitment to developing a city that not only meets economic and social needs but also ecological needs that promotes well-being. Sustainability and urban resilience are dependent on making decisions that enable alternative futures. We cannot predict what will happen in the future in terms of our economy or society, however, it is a certainty that our blue and green spaces and places will continue play a vital role in enabling alternative futures. We need to protect and cherish them. We therefore support this alternative, community-led plan for the Edgbaston Reservoir.”

- Dr Peter Lee - Reader in Collaborative Planning, Centre for Urban and Regional Studies, University of Birmingham

Edgbaston Reservoir is a local nature reserve and a site of historical importance.

This plan has been formulated by a consortium of concerned citizens and stakeholders which takes into account the Council’s considerations over sustainability and affordability whilst at the same time indicating how its present features can be protected and promoted for the benefit of all without resorting to any radical restructuring or commercialised add-ons.

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A scenic view of a lake with a person riding a bicycle on a path in the foreground. The text "1. Our Vision" is overlaid in the center.

1. Our Vision

1.1 The Green Jewel of Birmingham's Natural Environment



We see the Edgbaston Reservoir as the ‘Green Jewel of Birmingham’s natural environment’ to be invested in and nurtured through an innovative community consortium for the benefit of the city now and in generations to come.

We believe that the approach outlined in this vision will ensure that Edgbaston Reservoir will:

Evolve over time in line with changing needs of Birmingham’s citizens

Be a focus of green excellence putting Birmingham on the map of ecologically pioneering cities.

Be an example of civic innovation for that harnesses the environmentally conscious spirit of 21st century Britain, enabling citizens to collaboratively steward their natural environment.

Become a world-class destination for others to visit and see how a city can address pressing environmental issues.

1.2 Strengthening the Ecosystem around the Reservoir

Our vision is in line with Birmingham City Council's already declared policies around greening the environment. It also compliments the initiatives already being undertaken by The Canal and River Trust that is currently delivering a number of exciting environmental programmes including developing the canals as wildlife corridors and planting the world's longest orchard between the city centre and Chance Glass Works.

The two community orchards planted on the reservoir have the potential to connect to the Canal and River Trust initiative on canal side, at Port Loop.

Edgbaston reservoir is the central hub at the heart of Birmingham's canal heritage.

It provides the water source designed by Thomas Telford to feed the canal systems. This connection makes a natural link to heritage plans currently being developed at Roundhouse Birmingham and interpretation of the canal's Industrial heritage, based at Canal & River Trust, Cambrian Wharf. Edgbaston Reservoir provides physical connections, to all parts of the city by the green corridors leaving the reservoir and linking to the canals, walkways and parks.

In our vision we offer proposals that are aligned with Birmingham's localism agenda and a possible application for the reservoir to be the subject of a Neighbourhood Charter. Our North Edgbaston Ward 'community of interest' is now designated as a Pioneering Ward, which provide a focus for pioneering experimentation in the area including the reservoir.

We are building long term collaboration between ourselves as a community of interest and appropriate sections of Birmingham City Council in order to develop a new and ground-breaking public amenity adjacent to the City Centre in accordance with the Council's recently published localism agenda.

1.3 Outcomes



A high quality environment:

In essence we want to provide an improved environment that is in tune with citizens wanting cleaner air, quieter spaces, closer contact with wildlife and – most importantly - a healthier, more assured future for our children.

It is not a coincidence that activities in which people currently engage when visiting the Reservoir fit into this pattern.

We see opportunities for walking, sailing, rowing, cycling, running, bird-watching, quietly sitting and thinking, and creative activities, such as photography, being made available to more people.

Smarter, healthier people through heritage + education

In addition, our vision would extend these to include formal and informal study, learning how to live more sustainably, finding out about local history, heightened awareness of green issues and ecological ways of improving our quality of life and reducing the incidence of waste and exploitation.

Our vision actively supports minds as well as bodies.

A scenic view of a city skyline across a body of water. In the foreground, a white swan swims on the water. The city skyline in the background features various buildings, including a prominent tower, under a clear blue sky with some clouds. The water reflects the city and the sky. On the left side of the image, there are four white, wavy vertical lines.

2. Key Ideas

Overview

We see the following five areas as key features of our vision.



Heritage and Eco-centre



The Natural Environment



Reservoir Walkway



Reservoir View



Leisure, Sport and Play

2.1 Heritage & Eco Centre



We propose that the Tower Ballroom site be repurposed as a forward thinking centre for eco-consciousness in the city.

This mission would be represented in both the form and function of the space.

The whole building should be constructed on ecological principles, for example:

- Limiting waste through recycling and cutting out single-use products
- Optimising systems to decrease the need for new inputs
- Preservation of the natural environment and enhancing the diversity of interactable wildlife
- Growing awareness of future issues

Incorporating these principles into practical ideas could take the form of the following:

- Being self-sufficient in sun and wind generated energy,
- Collecting and recycling rain water to flush toilets;
- Reed bed systems to purify grey water;
- Light sensitive triggers for blinds;
- Totally healthy and responsibly sourced building and interior decoration/furnishing materials.

Heritage & Eco Centre Facilities

The site could serve a strong mixed-use purpose, with spaces to meet, learn and become exposed to new approaches to living. Coexistence with socially and environmentally conscious businesses would provide the financial support needed for the growth

We believe that the following would form a suitable use of the space:

Meeting spaces and event venues

These would provide a platform for knowledge sharing and connecting through community groups and organisations.

Wellbeing and leisure uses could host yoga, meditation and light exercise sessions in the serene setting of the reservoir's natural beauty

Flower gardens and grow sites could provide an element of practical engagement with the site. These could complement the orchard and would be managed through the orchard's existing volunteer base with complementary organic garden principles

Rangers base - Providing a space for reservoir rangers to exist within would allow knowledge exchange relating to environmental best practices. Historically, they operated out of the Reservoir Lodge, which could be rejuvenated for their reintroduction to the site.

Cafe could offer a needed break within the reservoir, which has been particularly requested by local families and older people. It would follow the eco-centre principles by serving vegan and organic options.

Commercial space dedicated to environmental and social sustainability focussed companies. This would provide a springboard for their growth through the positive-exposure of operating within this designated area. Promotion of environmentally conscious products and positive ecological services will provide mutual growth within the eco-centre.

Heritage & Eco Centre Services

This facility would aim to inclusively serve as many of Birmingham's residents as possible, fostering better health and well-being throughout the city through:

- **School-Linked programmes** at the centre could include; Forest schools, outdoor classrooms, healthy eating, cookery, healthy lifestyle choices, environmental care, and gardening. Furthermore, Accredited fee-paying university-sponsored study might cover subjects such as Sustainable Food Supplies, Zero Carbon or Rewilding.
- **Accessible informal adult education** on key topics such as;; saving energy at home, appreciating natural environments, developing healthier eating habits, art and nature, (Learning and Development focus through partnerships)
- **Community forum for meetings** help by local groups and organisations, including co working opportunities for volunteers, charities, coops and social enterprise groups

Precedent Approaches



Glasgow Canal Project

The project has received widespread praise in their development of a long-neglected waterway, notably creating Scotland's first urban nature reserve www.glasgowcanalproject.com.

By their own definition: ' This project is ongoing and aims to place local people and organisations at the heart of the process.' We believe a similar approach is not only best, but essential for the long-term success and sustainability of the Reservoir.



Bishop's Wood Centre, Stourport

The Bishop's Wood is an educational eco-centre in an ecological hotspot which welcomes a range of interests. It facilitates education at all levels, from early school years to University, as well as hosting activities for families throughout the year.

It also provides venues for hosting events and exhibition which allow visitors to connect and be inspired with not just the space, but also each other.

The ideas of nature and the arts fostering creativity set a strong precedent for a community focussed natural space which utilises the wealth of natural diversity in its area.



Centre of the Earth – Winson Green. Wildlife Trust

- Operated by the Wildlife trust
- Facilitates wildlife learning and eco-therapy as well as well being in nature
- Hosts events and school trips



Martineau gardens, Priory Rd Experimental growing site

- Therapeutic community garden
- Hosts family events and open air theatre

2.2 Natural Environment

Any development needs to consider the short and long term impact on the remarkable range of life-forms found in this urban context.



Conservation

Development will need to recognise that this comparatively large collection of trees and plants is integral to the air quality and ensure that none of them are removed but rather that numbers are increased.

The much-missed rangers would provide the type of woodland management representative of the Reservoir's status as a Local Nature Reserve

The reservoir could be a location for sympathetically and carefully examining, testing, monitoring and tracking the impact of human beings on wildlife, and vice versa. This research, perhaps conducted by Birmingham University, could be housed in the Heritage and Eco Centre.

Linear orchard

The reservoir houses a community orchard which has been maintained by several years. Now, there are talks with The Canal and River Trust about developing a linear orchard along the canal routes from the city centre. This is a perfect opportunity to beautify the connection of the Reservoir with the heart of the city as well as connecting the on-going developments at Port Loop and Roundhouse Birmingham.

2.3 Reservoir Walkway



We want to see the whole circular route around the Reservoir restored to a green walkway.

Extending the treeline to both ends of the Dam, providing sheltered walkways around the area

The Heritage Ecological Centre would thus be visible and accessible through a screen of trees and wild planting. The panoramic views over the reservoir are a valuable asset to the city, contributing to a sense wellbeing and need to be carefully considered in all planning decisions.

2.4 Reservoir View



We propose that the entrance to the reservoir is improved through appropriate tree planting and informal landscaping suitable for the status of Local Nature Reserve.

The view of the reservoir would provide visitors following the entry path a glimpse of the the glittering water through trees before seeing the full panorama of the Reservoir as they join the walkway.

A green corridor leading up to the site would provide an signature entrance to the Reservoir which would encourage those in the area to explore the site.

This green corridor would also create a connection to much-loved Osler Street Play Area, providing visitors of the Reservoir a safe and accessible play space.

2.5 Leisure, Sport & Play



Our community of interest includes the Sailing Club, and we share their view that their interests are best served by them not moving.

Winds across the Reservoir come from the West, and thus the rowers need immediate access to calmer sheltered waters at their club in the reservoirs Southern tip, whereas the sailors need exposure to the strong breezes provided by their position at the Eastern end of the water.

We would like to see the various types of exercise frames/trim track reinstated and repaired, following existing ecologically sound principles. They have provided enjoyment throughout the reservoir route

We support the community campaign for the retention of Osler Street play area. It could be improved with greater levels of planting and safety considerations.

Young people and families moving into the Icknield Port Loop area will be looking for the type of informal leisure and recreation facilities that the play area already offers.

2.5.1 Watersports on Edgbaston Reservoir

The three existing water users at the reservoir, TS Vernon Sea Cadets, Birmingham Rowing Club and Midland Sailing Club support a wide range of activities on the water.

Although separate organisations they collaborate together on many occasions, share resources and also support the local community in a wide range of ways.

The Rowing Club and Sailing Club have both been based at the reservoir for over 125 years and are part of the heritage of the area.

The Sailing Club have serious concerns that if they are forced to locate to a commercially run leisure facility, they will cease to be able to operate. It would offer inadequate facilities for their boats and members, they would be unable to afford the high rents that inevitably will be charged, and they would

lose their identity as sports clubs and therefore their members. Without club members who give so much volunteer time helping young people and adults learn to sail and row and promoting their sports.

Water users recommend that Birmingham City Council works with TS Vernon Sea Cadets, Birmingham Rowing Club and Midland Sailing Club in their existing locations to support the work they already do (e.g through B-Row Sail Birmingham) and expand it through modest capital and revenue investment rather than an alternative, expensive new leisure facility that is likely to lead to less Watersports activity not more.

Working with the sports clubs will ensure the volunteer contributions are built on and provides clear pathways for people to try Watersports and encourage those who want to go on and continue to row and sail etc. This is a more sustainable and cost-effective model than having a commercially run activity centre.

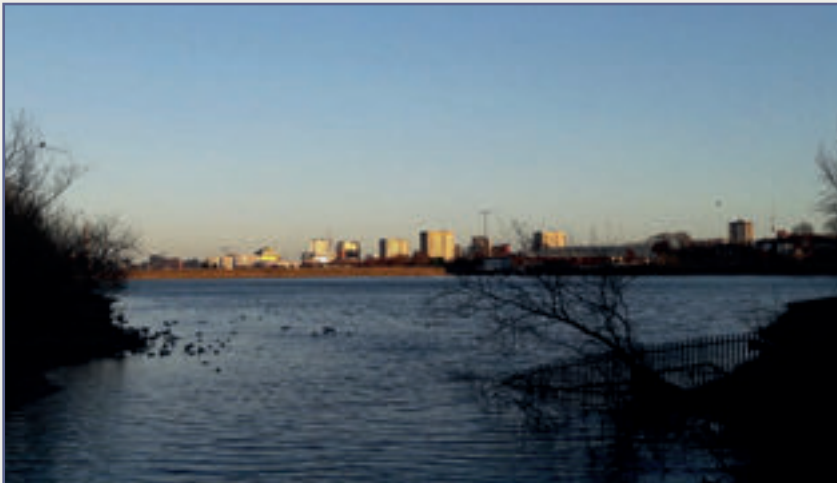
The depth of the water in the reservoir (over 12m) makes it unsuitable for casual Watersports that are possible in some city parks, it is very cold and at times has issues with water quality. The existing water users have the skills to manage these challenges and able to cope with the changing water levels during the summer, often the halving the surface area of water available for Watersports.



An aerial photograph of a city landscape. In the center, a large, irregularly shaped lake is surrounded by greenery. To the left of the lake, there is a large industrial or commercial area with several large, flat-roofed buildings and a large, empty lot. To the right of the lake, there are residential areas with rows of houses. The background shows a dense urban area with many buildings and trees. On the left side of the image, there are four white, wavy, vertical lines that overlap each other.

3. Connectivity

3. Overview



We are keen that the reservoir is recognised as a significant piece of natural infrastructure that serves Birmingham's civic, social and cultural identity.

The consortium wants to see the Edgbaston reservoir developed as a hub utilised to its full potential and raising awareness of the role it plays in the local ecology as well its national links.

This could be achieved through strengthening the connections across the wider green network, including canal tow paths and the Harborne Walkway to link better and more directly link with the Reservoir. This would enable people, including those with mobility issues or buggies, to walk from the city centre to the Reservoir.

We welcome new people coming to live in the surrounding area and look forward to collaborating with them on materialising this vision.

This section outlines our recommendations for development in the connectivity of the reservoir.

3.1 The Reservoir Experience & Stakeholder Relationships



We see an opportunity to strengthen the connectivity between the various stakeholder who own, manage and utilise the various different spaces in and around the reservoir by investing in different ways of convening these groups.

This is of increasing importance because of the significant contribution each of these actors make to the reservoir experience as a whole.



Furthermore, as far as regular visitors are concerned, these groups and spaces are integral to the reservoir experience. For example, the playing fields, currently owned by Birmingham settlement have hosted the hugely popular Eat, Make, Play events and the relocation of Warm Earth, which manages the site's orchards and provides access to its growth sites.

3.2 Pedestrian Routes & Surrounding Spaces

We propose improving pedestrian access via the following routes as a key part of the development.

3.2.1 Harborne Walkway

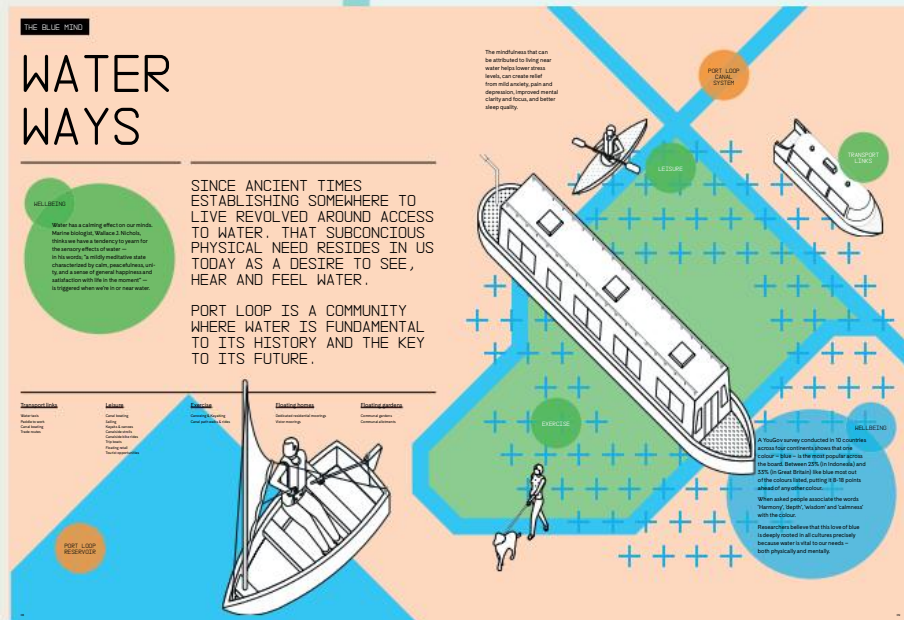
Current pathway to Harborne Walkway is poorly maintained and inaccessible to those with mobility issues.



3.2.2 Connection Canal Paths & Port Loop

The promised physical link from the reservoir to the canal, including a new pathway and new bridge over the loop, is essential to connect the communities while providing access to and from the reservoir encouraging walking and cycling to and from the city centre.

The Port Loop Manifesto makes it a priority to make the best use of the canals waterways and the role of the reservoir is integral to the success of this.



Create Pedestrian access to Icknield Port Loop and Canal tow paths

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- 41. Needs of the young: feeding, grooming, shelter and maternal care
- 42. Needs of the adult: sexual, grooming and social support
- 43. Needs of the old: shelter, grooming and social support
- 44. Needs of the sick: shelter, grooming and social support
- 45. Needs of the injured: shelter, grooming and social support
- 46. Needs of the dying: shelter, grooming and social support

Waste space for green space	Parks and gardens	Rooms with a view	Energy disposition	Water usage
<p>Identifying green spaces to create</p> <p>Supporting green spaces and water bodies, landscaped for public</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public gardens • Green roofs • Green walls • Green parks • Community gardens • Floating gardens • Vertical gardens • Urban forests • Green roofs • Green walls • Green roofs • Green roofs 	<p>Early design should have a substantial role in achieving green spaces and views, all being designed to be a good aspect</p>	<p>Early design should have a substantial role in achieving green spaces and views, all being designed to be a good aspect</p>	<p>Early design should have a substantial role in achieving green spaces and views, all being designed to be a good aspect</p>

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Pedestrian route to be created from Reservoir to Icknield Port Loop and Canal Tow paths.

Canal & River
Trust Icknield port

3.2.3 Osler Street Play Area & Old Car Park

As mentioned in the key ideas, we see an opportunity to connect Osler Street Play Area as an extension of the reservoir experience by creating a green corridor, leading up to the reservoir entrance.

The Car Park across the road has been identified as a possible site for development to accommodate the needs for both play and housing in connection with the reservoir.



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Reservoir View: A green corridor connecting Osler Street Play Area to the Reservoir.



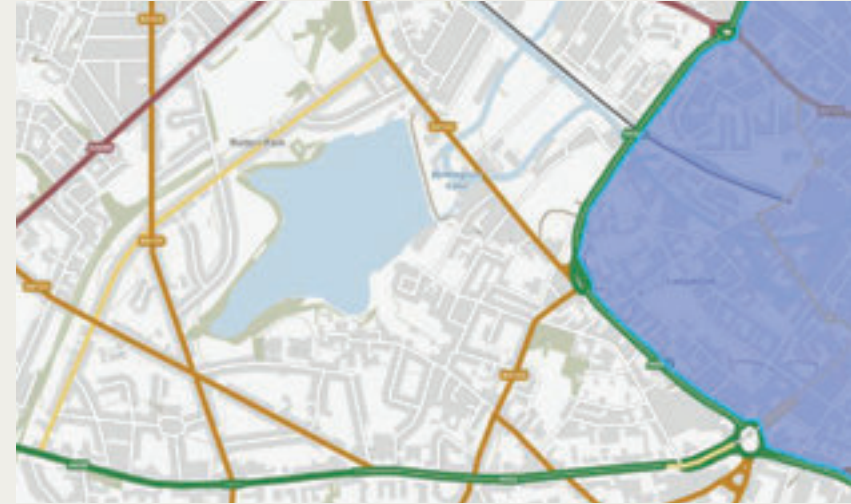
3.3 Transport Strategy Links



3.3.1 Proximity to Midlands Metro

We expect that the Phase two extension of the Midland's Metro into Five Ways and Hagley Road will increase connectivity of the Edgbaston Reservoir and could see it becoming a great landmark for visitors to the city.

This would push our proposed heritage and eco-centre into an increasingly important role within the city's institutions as an influential destination.



3.3.2 Proximity to Birmingham Clean Air Zone

The reservoir's proximity to the edge of the Birmingham Clean Air Zone needs to become an important consideration within the wider context of the city's devotion to improving environmental quality.

The reservoir can contribute to driving the agenda forward beyond the surface-level charges imposed on drivers. Recognising the connectivity which can be unlocked through the space is necessary for re-framing the approaches to transversing Birmingham.

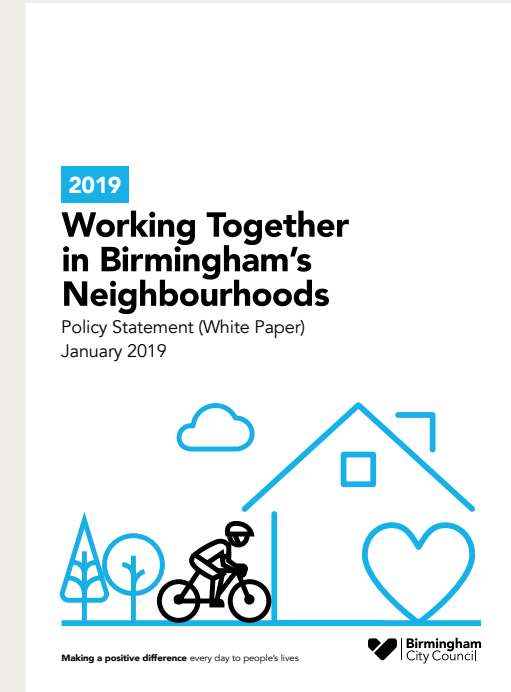
A photograph of a snowy winter landscape. In the foreground, a snow-covered path leads into the distance. To the right of the path, a row of small, dark, cylindrical posts or stumps is visible. The background is filled with snow-laden trees, and a bright light source, likely the sun, is visible through the branches on the left side, creating a warm glow. The text "4. Policy Context" is overlaid in the center of the image in a white, sans-serif font.

4. Policy Context

4.0 Relevant Policies

We believe that the following policies are supportive of the key ideas and connectivity recommendations which we have outlined.

They outline the wider strategy of the Birmingham Big City Plan, Community engagement initiatives for neighbourhoods, as well as the green initiatives supportive of our proposals.



4.1 Birmingham Development Plan 2031 (2017)

Objectives set out in Section 3.5 of the BDP declare a need “To provide high quality connections throughout the city and with other places including encouraging the increased use of public transport, walking and cycling”.

The BDP’s strategy in Section 3.6 sets out to ensure that the development of new homes needs to be matched by “the provision of accessible local services and a high quality environment.”

Section 5.36 acknowledges Birmingham’s canal network as a major feature running through Greater Icknield as part of Policy GA2. It’s “limited public access and an isolation” result in an under-used resource for both leisure and travel. We believe that they can be brought back into appropriate use through stronger links to the reservoir.

TP1 Reducing Carbon Footprint

The position of the reservoir at the edge of the CAZ and with its close proximity to the metro system will meet this policy’s aims of Reducing Carbon Footprints

TP7 Green Infrastructure networks

This policy sets out that the city’s green infrastructure networks will be prioritised and protected in order to utilise their true value. We believe the Reservoir will act as a connecting hub to the canals and Harborne Walkway which provide safe alternative routes for the areas commuters and leisurely walkers.

TP9 Open Space, Playing fields, allotments

This policy states that playing fields will be protected in areas which lack a surplus of such spaces. With the planned increased use of the Reservoir through local developments, we believe the retention of the Osler Street Play area is essential to providing ample opportunities for local recreation.

TP12 Historic Environment

Connecting our proposal to Birmingham’s canal network, as well as establishing a Heritage and Eco-centre will allow elevate the reservoirs status as a historic asset and encourage interaction with the city’s legacy.

4.2 Community Engagement

Neighbourhood Charters

Our consortium sees possibilities for establishing a neighbourhood to facilitate a strong future collaboration with BCC that is representative of a pioneering ward.

We have a strong range of organisations within our consortium, with various forms as social enterprises, local groups and residents associations. See page 38 for full list of consortium.

Community Cohesion Strategy for Birmingham (BCC 2018)

Targets set out in the document include:

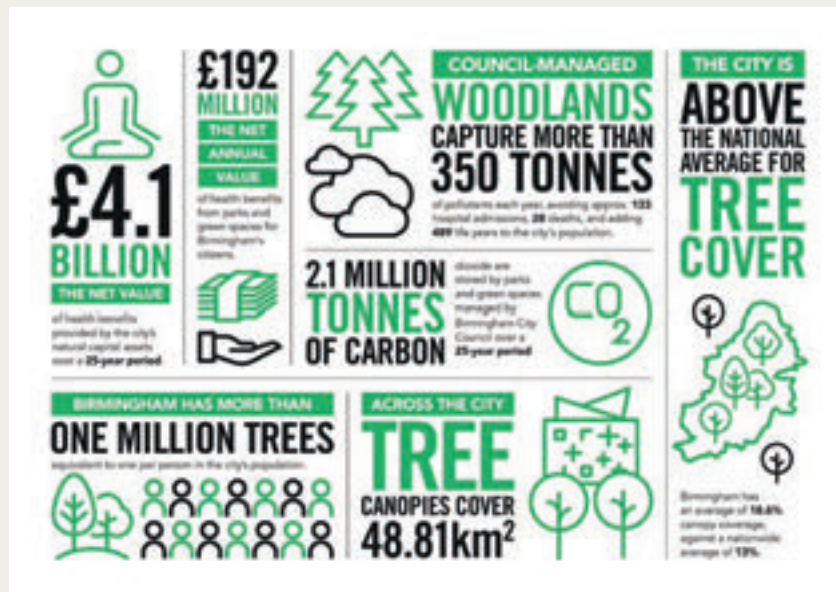
Empowered and engaged neighbourhoods

- Utilising the skills and expertise of local community networks
- The edgbaston reservoir can become a space which can be led by a range of strongly involved groups from within our consortium and beyond
- One such approach is through cultural and sporting engagement - this is already present through events such as the boat races

Strategic partnership approach can be established through closer collaboration with local organisations - we are asking for greater power to be presented to groups within the reservoir

- Community Groups Can host a range events throughout the year.

4.3 Active Green Spaces



Future Parks Accelerator (National Trust, 2018)

We believe that a close collaboration with the National Trust on the reservoir could utilise the £1 million of National Lottery Heritage funding for Future Parks. Investment in the reservoir would compliment the planned Ladywood housing initiatives for which this funding has been allocated.

Active Design (Sport England, 2015)

Connected walking and cycling routes form a key principle of active design, recognising the importance of linked destinations integrated into wider networks which allow an ease of travel across the city. This principle also recognises the contribution of pedestrian routes in accessing public transport nodes. This can be mobilised by improving the areas connections to the Five Ways extension of the Midland Metro.

The Infrastructure Act (2015) provides powers for the Secretary of State to set Cycling and Walking Investment Strategies in England which funds the provision of infrastructure for active travel methods.

Birmingham has been a member of the global Biophillic cities network since 2013.

We believe that this status of recognition needs to be met by an equal level of commitment from the city council in supporting green initiatives. The community's vision for an ecologically focussed reservoir is a perfect implementation of utilising the wealth of Birmingham's natural capital.



5. Design Notes

5.1 Fitness for Purpose

In order to achieve a strong quality of design, the development of the edgbaston reservoir needs to be sensitive to the natural character of the area.

Accessibility - The 'Active Design' principles for appropriate infrastructure highlight key considerations needed to enable an inclusive mixed-use of the site.

These include:

- Managed public toilets
- drinking fountains
- cycle, mobility scooter and pushchair storage,
- changing rooms and showers
- quality of seating
- Wi-Fi access
- shelter



5.2 Ecological Approaches

Everything that takes place around the Reservoir should, in our vision, contribute in as many ways as possible to creating a totally organic green environment and enhancing the potential for citizens of Birmingham to benefit from it in ways that make sense to them.

5.3 Community engagement

We believe that the design of the site should be conducive to fostering community growth.

Early engagement could be established through allowing local artists to design elements within the space and allow local people to sustain their contributions to the reservoir's spaces, such as the community garden. Furthermore, local schools could be involved in adding a personal element to the area and building an early relationship.





6. Delivery

6.1 How We Will Organise

In practical terms, we anticipate that collaboratively developing the Reservoir as the centre of an eco-environment would entail us seeking a substantial grant from a suitable funding body.

Initially, this would be to fund a project manager experienced in the collaboration, but subsequently to fund a similarly experienced co-ordinator to oversee successive stages of development. Throughout, we anticipate providing high levels of voluntary activity.

The long term aim would be to create an eco-environment operating in a largely self –funded way under the management of a local consortium of interest drawn from ourselves and future residents.

We consider that our vision is pioneering in that it entails Birmingham City Council using a standard process (offering regeneration opportunities to commercial companies in order to develop a given site) but adjusting them to collaborate with a community of interest formed by local citizens.

The consortium would seek to become a long-term socially responsible partner with Birmingham City Council.

The following page outlines the key point of action in the delivery of our proposal.



Key Idea	Description	Targets	Action Needed	Stakeholders
Heritage and Eco-centre	Meeting space and event venues Wellbeing and leisure Flower Gardens and Grow sites Rangers base Cafe Commercial Space	Becoming a pioneering development which sets a precedent for sustainable design Consideration of the community's needs Accessible development School linked programmes Adult education opportunities Community engagement	An appropriate rejuvenation of the Tower Ballroom Site. Acquiring commercial investment. Pioneering collaboration with the Birmingham City Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Future Parks Accelerator Funding Residents Associations Birmingham City Council Investment Community Organisations
Natural Environment	Development throughout the reservoir which is sensitive to the ecology, and sustained management of it.	Developing ecological diversity.	Consideration of a dedicated space for park rangers within the development Collaboration with the Canal and River Trust in connecting linear orchard to the site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warm Earth Canal and River Trust Local volunteering through the consortium
Reservoir Walkway	Creating a green walkway around the reservoir with the Reservoir acting as a hub for other accessible paths, such as the canals and Harborne Walkway.	<p>Treeline extended to both ends of the dam to create a screen of trees.</p> <p>Appropriate spaces around the reservoir walkway.</p> <p>Connecting the reservoir to local paths.</p>	<p>Planting trees throughout the site.</p> <p>Creating access to canals walkways through the Port Loop site</p> <p>Improving access and connectivity to Harborne Walkway.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Canal and River trust Port Loop development North Edgbaston Action Team Canal and River Trust
Reservoir View	The flora at the site entrance should create a natural frame for a discreet oasis tucked away in the centre of the city	<p>Improving conditions at reservoir entrance</p> <p>Connection with Osler Street play area.</p>	Strong reconsideration of the entrance at Reservoir Road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents Associations 'Save Osler Street Park' group
Leisure, Sport, Play	Creating a space designed for a wide range of activities. This will include improving amenities both in and around the reservoir.	<p>Maintaining the livelihood of existing clubs</p> <p>Retaining Osler Street play area so that it can serve reservoir visitors</p>	<p>Creating an active design plan for the area - with exercise frames included</p> <p>Re-assessment of connection to Osler Street Play Area</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Save Osler Street Play Area group The Active Wellbeing Society
Watersports on the Edgbaston Reservoir	Collective action with all three of the reservoir's watersports groups to ensure they can continue to thrive, as well as participation in watersports	<p>Ensuring watersports groups can retain their livelihoods post-development</p> <p>Getting more people engaged in sports on the Reservoir</p>	Group Consultation together with all local watersports groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> T S Vernon Midland Sailing Club Birmingham Rowers Club Nowka Bais

6.2 Consortium Partners

Local Organisations

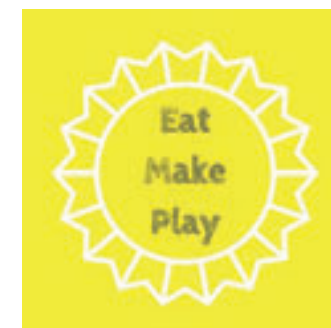
Birmingham Settlement
Midland Sailing Club
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Community Interest Groups

Friends of Edgbaston Reservoir
NEAT - North Edgbaston Action Team
Save Osler Street Park
North Edgbaston Residents Association
Summerfield Residents Association
North Summerfield Residents Association
Selywn and Wheatstreet residents association
Link Road Neighbourhood Watch / Community
Collective Vernon Road Neighbourhood Watch

Social Enterprise

Art Scoop Central
The Real Junk Food Project Birmingham
Eat, Make, Play
The Active Wellbeing Society
Warm Earth
Nowka Bais CIC



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“A portion of the site of Rotton Park is covered by a Reservoir of the Birmingham Canal which in its picturesque beauty can scarcely be surpassed by a natural lake. On Sundays it is liberally thrown open to the public, and, indeed, it is at all times accessible to respectable persons by application to the Lodge.”

From the beginning the Reservoir was regarded not merely as a canal-feeder but also as a haven of natural beauty and a centre for recreation. William Bates' Directory of 1849 reads;

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