

Rosehill Area Renewal

St Helier Open Space engagement update



St Helier, The Wrythe
and Wandle Valley Local
Committee

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How would you improve St Helier Open Space?

Share your ideas to shape the future of St Helier Open Space.















This map shows some of the improvements that could be made to the Open Space. Funding is limited, so we need to prioritise. Let us know what you would most like to see by filling in our short survey.

Want to work with us to bring your ideas for St Helier Open Space to life? Join the new Friends group for St Helier Open Space and help to shape this precious green space.

Design Principles:

1. Entrances at corners of Robertsbridge Road and Tweeddale Road
2. New pathways across the open space and seating
3. Space for events
4. Sports or play facilities
5. Planting around Sustainable Drainage (SuDs - water management to reduce flood risk)
6. Trees and community orchard
7. Landscape garden area

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|  | Green Buffer on the Northern Edge |  | SuDs (subject to feasibility & funding) |
|  | Electrical Pylons |  | Bus Stop |
|  | Bio diversity |  | Hospital |
|  | Pedestrian Crossing |  | Key Gateway |
|  | Primary Urban Spaces |  | Links to surrounding green spaces |
|  | Potential Soft Zones (inc. Evergreens) |  | Pathways |



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Summary of workshop- 7.01.21

Positives:

- Good paths across the space to link residential areas and shops
- Residents enjoy the green space
- Enjoyed the current backdrop of the hospital
- Well used space especially by young people, e.g. the skate park
- Good venue for events, e.g. the Black Lives Matter event due to accessibility
- Well-loved area

Areas for improvement:

- More and better quality equipment, e.g. a children's play area that is in the open rather than tucked away at one end of the space
- Designated area for dogs
- Learning spaces, particularly for young people
- Zoning the areas based on activity, e.g. into quiet areas
- Providing areas of shade, seating, lack of a focal point e.g. meeting place
- Somewhere for hospital staff to enjoy their lunch break
- Do more to support biodiversity and habitat creation, maintenance of grass can be a problem
- Lacks a bit of character

Community Engagement: Interim findings

- 214 residents completed the consultation
- Overall positive response for each of the 7 design principles
- Positive response from residents for landscape garden area
- Nearly 40 residents have now registered interest in the friends of open space group
- Survey highlighted that the open space is used by residents inside and outside the ward

Next steps



Reflection Garden works underway opposite St Helier Hospital

- Publish the consultation analysis in full providing analysis of both survey and individual comments
- Mulching event to take place in Spring with volunteers being welcomed to help support work for orchard
- Establish a St Helier Open Space friends group to work through feasibility of potential projects
- Identify priority projects that could be implemented over 2021-22
- Work collaboratively with partners to design and develop improvements

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