

Budget and Recovery 2020/21 – 2022/23 Consultation Results

Introduction

On 17th December 2020 we launched a consultation on our Medium-Term Financial Plan (MTFP) and our Recovery Plan. The consultation was open for one month, closing on Sunday 17th January 2021. It was conducted through an online survey with paper copies, different versions and translations all available on request. People were also given the opportunity to write in with any other comments they had. **33** people gave their view through the online survey.

A note on the data in this report: Data from the 'closed' option questions is presented in the report as a % score. The data in the text of the report is rounded up or down to the nearest whole percentage point. Charts or tables therefore may result on occasions adding up to 99% or 101%. If a table or chart does not match exactly to the text in the report this occurs due to the rounding up or down when responses are combined. Results that differ in this way should not have a variance that is any larger than 1%.

When reading the data, please note that there is a base number against all charts and tables; this is the valid number of responses for that particular question and the figure that the percentages are calculated from.

Feedback on our Recovery Plan

Overall, 42.4% agree that the priorities in the Recovery Plan matter to Derby. A third of respondents felt that it mattered to them personally and just under a quarter (24.2%) said that it mattered to their community (Chart 2).

Chart 2: Feedback on the Recovery Plan priorities



Base: 33 respondents

Nine key outcomes are set out in the recovery plan split into the three themes of 'our place', 'our people' and 'our council'.

Overall, the outcomes that respondents prioritised were those relating to our people; with thriving children and young people, healthy citizens, and resilient neighbourhoods being considered highly

important by the majority. Decarbonisation was also highlighted as being of high importance to the majority (54.5%).

In contrast, a third of those responding felt that having empowered colleagues within the Council was unimportant. Just under a third (30.3%) felt that confidence and using our knowledge, experience and skills to create strong businesses, strategic partnerships and a vibrant city centre was of little or no importance (Figure 2 over the page).

Figure 2: Importance placed on Recovery Plan outcomes

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OUR PEOPLE: <u>Thriving children and young people</u> – recognising that we must work to create a place where our children and young people are supported to achieve their full potential, and when they need support that they have access to 'the right services, at the right time'.	66.7%	27.3%	6.1%
OUR PEOPLE: <u>Healthy citizens</u> – working together across organisational boundaries to keep the COVID-19 infection rate low and addressing long-standing inequalities and poverty.	57.6%	27.3%	15.2%
OUR PLACE: <u>Decarbonisation –</u> recognising that we need to do more to have a positive impact on climate change; reviewing our transport, promoting smarter travel, securing renewable energy and seeking more sustainable waste management.	54.5%	27.3%	18.2%
OUR PEOPLE: <u>Resilient neighbourhoods</u> – using the strengths within our communities to support those in need, making sure that Derby is a place where people help each other, a place to feel safe, and be safe. Working across the sector to create easy to access, local public services.	54.5%	27.3%	18.2%
OUR PLACE: <u>Confidence</u> – using our knowledge, experience and skills to create strong businesses, strategic partnerships and a vibrant city centre.	51.5%	18.2%	30.3%
OUR PLACE: <u>Diversification</u> – seeking to create a modern, SMART city, with jobs for the future where we actively seek to innovate and grow. We will reimagine our city centre with culture at its heart.	42.4%	33.3%	24.2%
OUR COUNCIL: <u>Empowered colleagues</u> – supporting our workforce to be the best that they can, embracing new ways of work and learning from the pandemic. We recognise the importance of our leaders and valuing the contributions of all our colleagues to build a resilient, diverse, inclusive council for the future.	42.4%	24.2%	33.3%

OUR COUNCIL: <u>Intelligence led decisions</u> – using data and information to deliver the 'right services' that offer value for money, investing in tools to help us monitor the right things and using quality information when making decisions, focusing on outcomes.	39.4%	36.4%	24.2%
OUR COUNCIL: <u>Enabled residents</u> – recognising that we need to develop services around the needs of our communities, listening to what they tell us, seeking to make the best use of technology to deliver services differently; focusing on developing our lo long-term aspirations for the city.	36.4%	36.4%	27.3%

Base: 33 respondents

General comments and suggestions

Consultees were also given the opportunity to give feedback or suggestions on the budget and recovery plan as a whole – 18 responded, some commenting on multiple parts of the consultation. Comments and suggestions touched on a number of themes. The most common related to the plans not being ambitious enough with regard to decarbonisation, the environment and reduction of traffic across the city.

Figure 3: General comments and suggestions (themes)

		Theme	No. of responses
		Not enough emphasis on reducing traffic	3
	Not enough ambition for decarbonisation/ climate change	3	
	rΩ	Criticism of DCC	2
Comments		Oppose staff reductions in Leisure, Culture and Tourism	2
	Criticism of consultation	2	
		Opposition to redundancies	1
		Refocus city centre work	2
	alunta	Suggestion on who to consult with further	1
Suggestions	Be more creative and try new partnerships	1	
	Reopen Allestree golf course	1	
		Prep for the possible closure of Rolls Royce	1
		Improve the cultural offer	1

Base: 18 respondents

NB – for the consultation responses on the Medium-Term Financial Plan, please refer to the Medium-Term Financial Plan 2021/22 - 2023/24 Report, which should be read alongside the Derby Recovery Plan Report.

Appendix A: Data Tables

Table 1: Having read the consultation document, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the approach that we have taken?

This related to the budget consultation and findings are presented in the Medium-Term Financial Plan 2021/22 - 2023/24 Report

 Table 2: The recovery plan prioritises what is important for Derby...

	No.	%
Strongly agree	4	12.1
Agree	10	30.3
Neither agree nor disagree	6	18.2
Disagree	7	21.2
Strongly disagree	5	15.2
Don't know	1	3.0
Total	33	100.0

Table 3: The recovery plan prioritises the things that matter to me...

	No.	%
Strongly agree	2	6.1
Agree	9	27.3
Neither agree nor disagree	7	21.2
Disagree	7	21.2
Strongly disagree	7	21.2
Don't know	1	3.0
Total	33	100.0

Table 4: The recovery plan prioritises the things that matter to my community...

	No.	%
Strongly agree	2	6.1
Agree	6	18.2
Neither agree nor disagree	10	30.3
Disagree	9	27.3
Strongly disagree	4	12.1
Don't know	2	6.1
Total	33	100.0

Table 5: How important is outcome 1 'Confidence' to you?

	No.	%
High importance	17	51.5
Medium importance	6	18.2
Low or no importance	10	30.3
Total	33	100.0

Table 6: How important is outcome 2 'Diversification' to you?

	No.	%
High importance	14	42.4
Medium importance	11	33.3
Low or no importance	8	24.2
Total	33	100.0

Table 7: How important is outcome 3 'Decarbonisation' to you?

	No.	%
High importance	18	54.5
Medium importance	9	27.3
Low or no importance	6	18.2
Total	33	100.0

Table 8: How important is outcome 4 'Healthy citizens' to you?

	No.	%
High importance	19	57.6
Medium importance	9	27.3
Low or no importance	5	15.2
Total	33	100.0

Table 9: How important is outcome 5 'Resilient neighbourhoods' to you?

	No.	%
High importance	18	54.5
Medium importance	9	27.3
Low or no importance	6	18.2
Total	33	100.0

Table 10: How important is outcome 6 'Thriving Children and Young People' to you?

	No.	%
High importance	22	66.7
Medium importance	9	27.3
Low or no importance	2	6.1
Total	33	100.0

Table 11: How important is outcome 7 'Enabled residents' to you?

	No.	%
High importance	12	36.4
Medium importance	12	36.4
Low or no importance	9	27.3
Total	33	100.0

Table 12: How important is outcome 8 'Intelligence led decisions' to you?

	No.	%
High importance	13	39.4
Medium importance	12	36.4
Low or no importance	8	24.2
Total	33	100.0

Table 13: How important is outcome 9 'Empowered colleagues' to you?

	No.	%
High importance	14	42.4
Medium importance	8	24.2
Low or no importance	11	33.3
Total	33	100.0

Table 14: Gender

	No.	%
woman/ girl	12	36.4
man/boy	15	45.5
non-binary	1	3.0
Prefer to say	5	15.2
Total	33	100.0

Table 15: Age

	No.	%
30 and under	2	7.1
31-45	14	50.0
46-65	10	35.7
over 65	2	7.1
Total	28	100.0

Table 16: Do you identify as a gender other than what you were assigned at birth?

	No.	%
Yes	2	6.3
No	24	75.0
Prefer not to say	6	18.8
Total	32	100.0

Table 17: To which group do you consider you belong?

	No.	%
Asian or Asian British - Indian	1	3.4
Asian or Asian British - Pakistani	2	6.9
Dual Heritage - White and Black Caribbean	1	3.4
White - English / Welsh / Scottish / Northern Irish / British	25	86.2
Total	29	100.0

Table 18: Do you consider yourself to be a disabled person?

	No.	%
Yes	5	16.7
No	25	83.3
Total	30	100.0

Table 19: I consider myself to be...

	No.	%
heterosexual/straight	15	48.4
bisexual	5	16.1
a gay man	2	6.5
a gay woman/lesbian	1	3.2
Other	1	3.2
Prefer not to say	7	22.6
Total	31	100.0

Table 20: Do you have any religious beliefs?

	No.	%
Yes	10	32.3
No	16	51.6
Prefer not to say	5	16.1
Total	31	100.0

Table 21: If yes, to which religion do you belong?

	No.	%
Christian	7	70.0
Muslim	1	10.0
Other	1	10.0
Prefer not to say	1	10.0
Total	10	100.0