



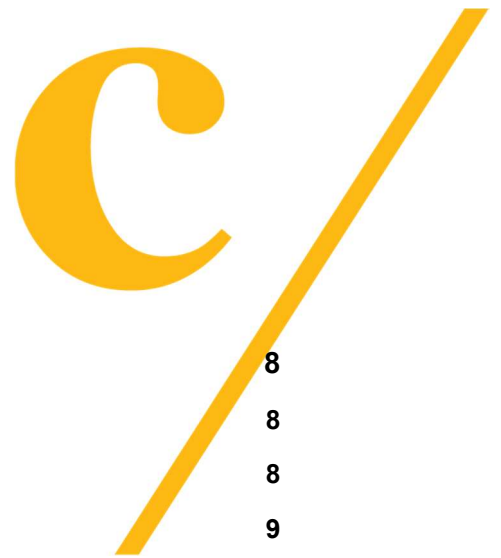
Croydon Structure Plan

Community engagement on the Discussion Paper

Findings report

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1 Introduction

1.1 Project background

In 2006, The City of Maroondah (Council) prepared a Structure Plan for the Croydon Major Activity Centre (MAC). This project aims to review and update the Structure Plan to consider the development context and future opportunities in line with the current social, environmental and economic climate.

The Structure Plan will define the long-term vision for the area and key directions and actions for how the vision will be achieved. It will include strategies for guiding private and public development and public investment. The Structure Plan may also provide direction for future planning zones and land-use changes and help identify infrastructure improvements and future housing and employment needs.

Figure 1 outlines the steps to be taken to prepare the new structure plan. The process commenced with background research that informed a Discussion Paper on the issues and opportunities identified for Croydon MAC.

A 6-week community consultation period occurred between April and May 2021 to seek feedback on the Discussion Paper.



Figure 1 Project timeline

1.2 Purpose of this report

This report provides an overview of the engagement approach and the findings from the Phase 1 and Phase 2 consultation undertaken on the Discussion Paper. These findings will inform the drafting of the Structure Plan and build the foundation for the next stage of engagement.

1.3 Limitation

All engagement processes have limitations. The limitations relevant to this engagement process are outlined below.

- Capire has reported on information documented by participants and interpreted the information to represent participants' views as closely as possible.
- This report reflects the views of participants who attended engagement events and participated in online engagement only; these views may not be representative of the wider community.
- Some information included in this report may be factually incorrect or unfeasible. The information has not been validated as it is a summary of participants' opinions, ideas and feedback.
- The report presents the key points of discussion and includes feedback, concerns and ideas expressed by participants. It provides an overview of participant sentiment but does not report on the sentiment of individual participants.
- Some comments from participants may be out of this project's scope or outside of the project area. These have still been included in this report as they may support other work of Council.
- A small number of participants expressed that some of the engagement questions required a level of technical knowledge. These participants stated that they did not have sufficient knowledge to provide feedback. This limitation will be addressed in the next stage of engagement.
- Some engagement questions had referred to other Council projects. It should be noted that participants may not be familiar with these projects and may have felt that they could not provide feedback.
- This phase of engagement occurred during a global pandemic. This may have lower participation rates and may have impacted participation in public spaces. There will be further engagement in the next phase for community feedback.

2 Engagement approach

This section provides an overview of the engagement approach, including the engagement activities and how people participated.

2.1 Engagement purpose

The engagement to inform the new Structure Plan consists of three phases.

1. **Phase 1 early engagement with key stakeholders** (late 2020) involved key stakeholders such as local businesses, major landowners and special charges group to seek their concerns and aspirations for Croydon.
2. **Phase 2 community engagement on the Discussion Paper** (April to May 2021) involved the broader community. It aimed to seek inputs on the identified issues and opportunities proposed in the Discussion Paper to inform the draft Structure Plan.
3. **Phase 3 engagement on draft Structure Plan and place activation** (mid 2021) will seek public feedback on the draft Structure Plan and deliver community-led place activation initiatives.

The overarching engagement objectives are to:

- deliver inclusive, accessible and genuine engagement
- ensure that the engagement is fit for purpose and considers all demographics and audiences
- provide a range of opportunities to participate in the project
- build stakeholder and community understanding of the opportunities and limitations of the structure planning process
- maintain open and transparent communication with stakeholders and the community
- explore innovative engagement approaches and shared ownership of planning for Croydon's future to successfully implement the Structure Plan.

2.2 Previous engagement

In preparation for the Discussion Paper, the project team has considered findings from engagement undertaken in the following projects:

- Croydon Town Centre Structure Plan (2006)
- Croydon Community Wellbeing Precinct Consultation (2019)
- Maroondah 2040 Community Vision (2020)
- Draft Consultant Report on Children and Youth Engagement (2020)

As part of Phase 1 engagement, early engagement with local traders and major landowners also helped inform the discussion paper.

2.3 Engagement activities

Phase 2 engagement occurred between Thursday 1 April and Friday 14 May 2021. Various engagement activities were delivered to capture diverse voices of people who live, work, play and study in Croydon. Engagement activities included:

- an engagement webpage on Council's Your Say page to provide project information and gather feedback via an online mapping tool and a survey
- a static display set up in Croydon Library for passers-by to write down their feedback on an idea card
- targeted school engagement.

The engagement opportunities were communicated using the following channels:

- distribution of summary paper via letterbox drop in and around Croydon and mail outs to landowners
- postcards distributed at various centres
- email notifications to resident groups
- social media posts.

2.4 Participation

Figure 2 provides an overview of the participation in various activities and communication channels.

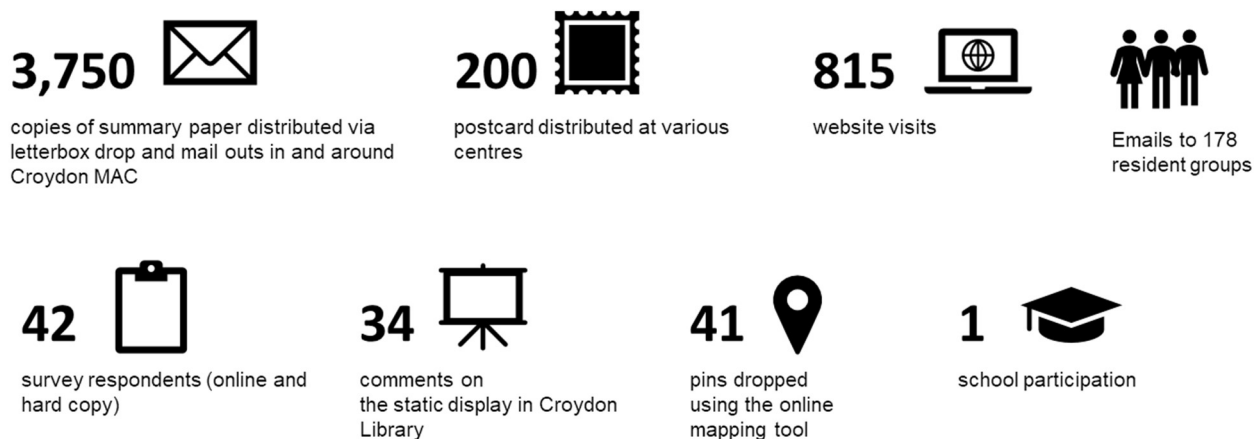


Figure 2 Overview of engagement participation through various activities/channels

A total of 15 men and 27 women completed the surveys. Most participants were aged between 35 and 49-year-olds., followed by 50 to 59-year-olds. Secondary school students participated in this engagement, but their demographic data was not recorded. Over 75% of survey respondents/ library participants indicated that they lived in Croydon and a few of them were regular visitors of Croydon or business owners in Croydon.

Amongst those who lived in Croydon, there was a range of duration of residency, ranging from new residents who have lived in Croydon for one to three years, to long-term residents with over 13 years of living.

See Appendix B for more information about the demographic profile of participants.¹



Figure 3 Key facts about the participants

¹ Demographic data of the participants were collected through the surveys and idea cards from the library, but not via the static display/online mapping tool to reduce the barrier to participation. Participants can choose to not provide their demographic data.

3 Engagement findings

This section of the report summarises the level of support for some proposed ideas in the Discussion Paper and key findings for each discussion theme.

The key questions asked across the engagement sought participants' level of support for the key ideas proposed in the Discussion Paper, under six discussion themes (shown in Figure 4).

 Housing and residential development	 Business and economic development	 Environmental improvements
 Transport, Urban design and built form	 Community infrastructure	 Major Activity Centre Boundary

Figure 4 Community engagement themes

Participants could also suggest additional ideas for Croydon via the online mapping tool or on the static display at the Croydon Library.

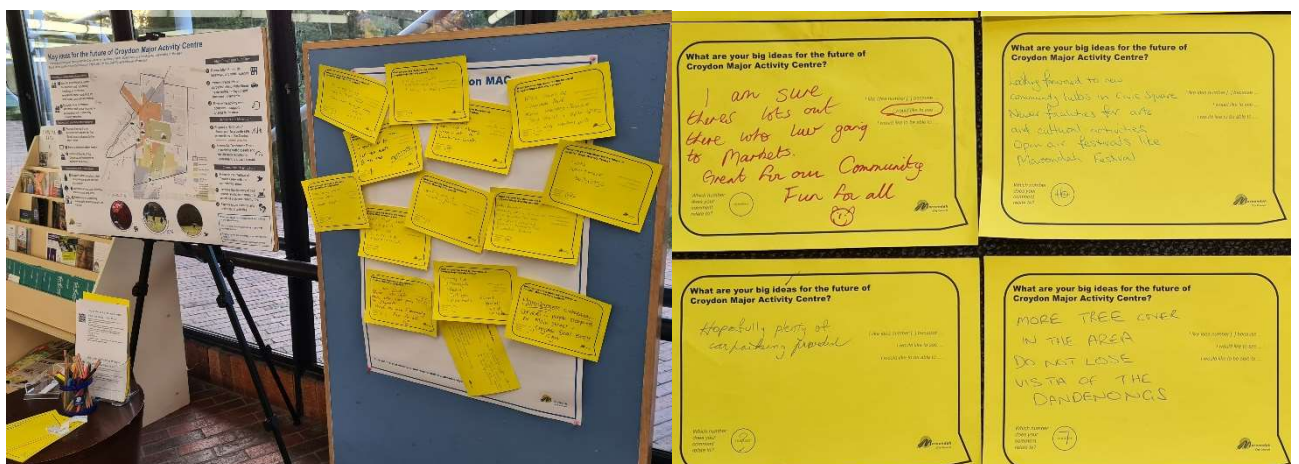


Figure 5 Ideas cards collected from the static display at the Croydon Library



3.1 Housing and residential development

Overall, participants had mixed views on the proposed ideas for housing and residential development. Many participants would like to see more diversity in housing choices and highlighted the needs of vulnerable people like those experiencing violence or homelessness. Others felt that the increase in housing provision will bring more congestion, noise and pollution. Many participants had associated 'apartment buildings' with negative impressions like 'inner city living', 'no garage or backyard', 'low quality', 'do not meet family needs' or 'big and ugly'. These concerns should be addressed in the draft Structure Plan.

Survey participants were asked to indicate their level of support for the key ideas for housing and residential development proposed in the Discussion Paper. Over 60% of participants supported the idea to continue to provide housing in the Centre to meet growing housing needs. Over 50% of participants supported developers being required to provide more affordable housing. There was a mixed view in whether the Centre should provide more affordable/social housing.

The ideas and level of support received are illustrated in Figure 6.

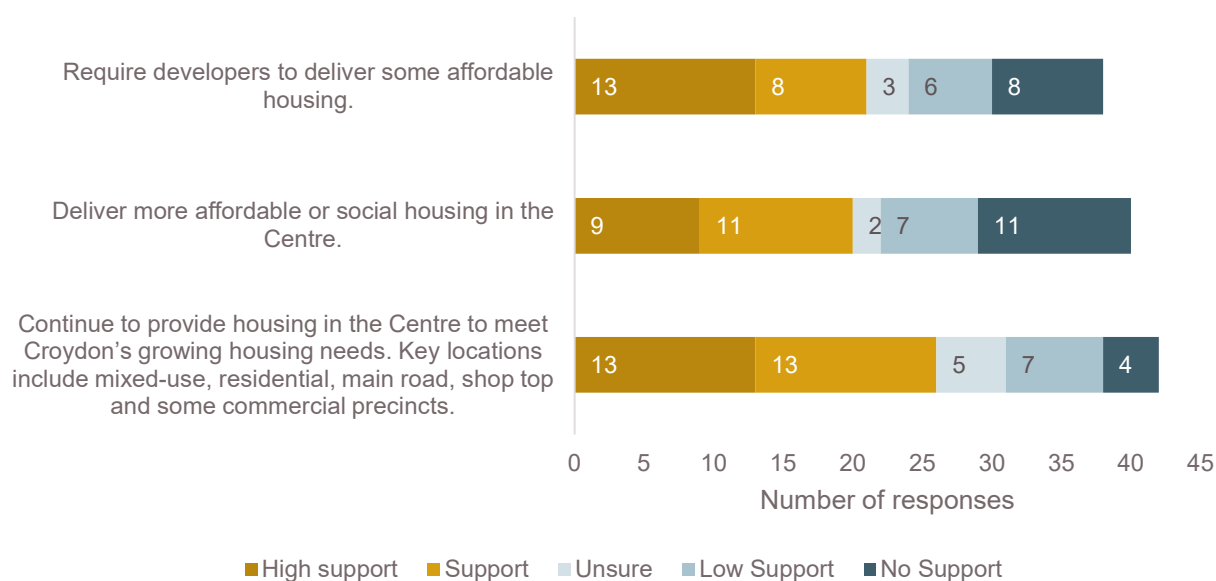


Figure 6 Level of support for key proposed ideas for housing and residential development (N=42)

Some participants provided further suggestions for Council when considering the future of housing in Croydon. These suggestions are summarised below.

- Ensure the use of high-quality materials and architectural design (discourage cookie-cutter development).
- Ensure access to open spaces and parks for residents.
- Ensure new developments have active frontages.
- Preserve heritage buildings.
- Ensure higher density development has sufficient setbacks.

- Consider underground carparking to avoid street congestion.
- Provide more disabled parking.
- Residential development should not just be concentrated in the MAC.
- Some support to build residences above shops along Main Street and along the railway.
- Some participants recommended Springfield Rd, Hewish Rd, and at the Railway St end of Anzac St as suitable locations for affordable housing.
- One participant proposed providing housing at the end of Lusher Rd.
- Some concerns about height at Mt Dandenong Rd and how it could obstruct views from Lemnos St, Anzac St and Mt View St.
- There were some concerns about the increase in subdivision development in the MAC.

When asked what type of housing is missing in Croydon, some participants suggested considering housing provision for the following cohorts:

- people with a disability (encourage single-storey buildings or buildings with lift access)
- student accommodation
- people escaping from family violence
- first home buyers
- families
- people experiencing homelessness.

Some participants opposed the development of more high-rise/multi-storey apartments. Others supported medium density buildings such as duplexes, fourplexes, and townhouses, and apartments with three or more bedrooms to provide more affordable housing choices in Croydon.



3.2 Business and economic development

Overall, there was a high level of support for the business and economic development ideas, particularly to create an “Eat Street” adjacent to the Main Street to provide more space for outdoor dining.

Survey participants were asked to indicate their level of support for the key ideas for business and economic development suggested in the Discussion Paper. All four key ideas proposed for business and economic development received majority support from survey participants. The most supported idea was to create an ‘Eat Street’ adjacent to the Main Street to provide more space for outdoor dining. This idea received over 90% support.

In relation to the ‘Eat Street’ idea, a few participants had concerns around liquor sales and associated noise, pollution related health issues and safety issues.

The ideas and results are illustrated in Figure 7.

Level of support for the proposed ideas for **business and economic development** (survey participants)

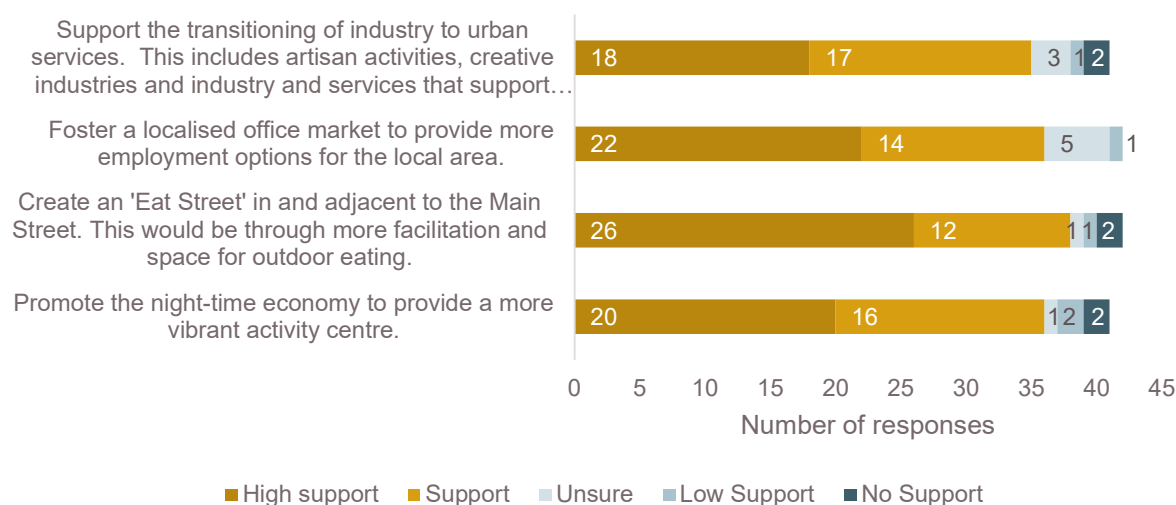


Figure 7 Level of support for key proposed ideas for business and economic development (N=42)

Additional ideas shared by participants are summarised below:

- Provide shades in outdoor dining areas.
- Provide co-working spaces for businesses.
- General support to the 'Eat Street' idea, but with concerns about safety and noise in the night-time.
- Encourage shop-top housing to accommodate more people to live and work in the Centre.
- Encourage outdoor dining and cultural activities on Main Street.
- Replace the pavements on Main Street.
- Improve the diversity of retail offerings on Main Street, for example one suggested having a shop selling raw ingredients.
- Provide free Wi-Fi along Main Street.
- Provide more frequent cleaning in Main Street.
- Provide more seating areas and green spaces along Main Street.



3.3 Environmental improvements

Overall, there was a high level of support for the environmental improvement ideas, particularly the idea to increase tree canopy cover.

Survey participants were asked to indicate their level of support for the key ideas for environmental improvements suggested in the Discussion Paper. All key ideas proposed for environmental improvements received majority support. Increasing the tree canopy cover was the most supported, followed by support for Water Sensitive Urban Design features and harvesting stormwater to assist with flood management.

The ideas and the results are illustrated in Figure 8.

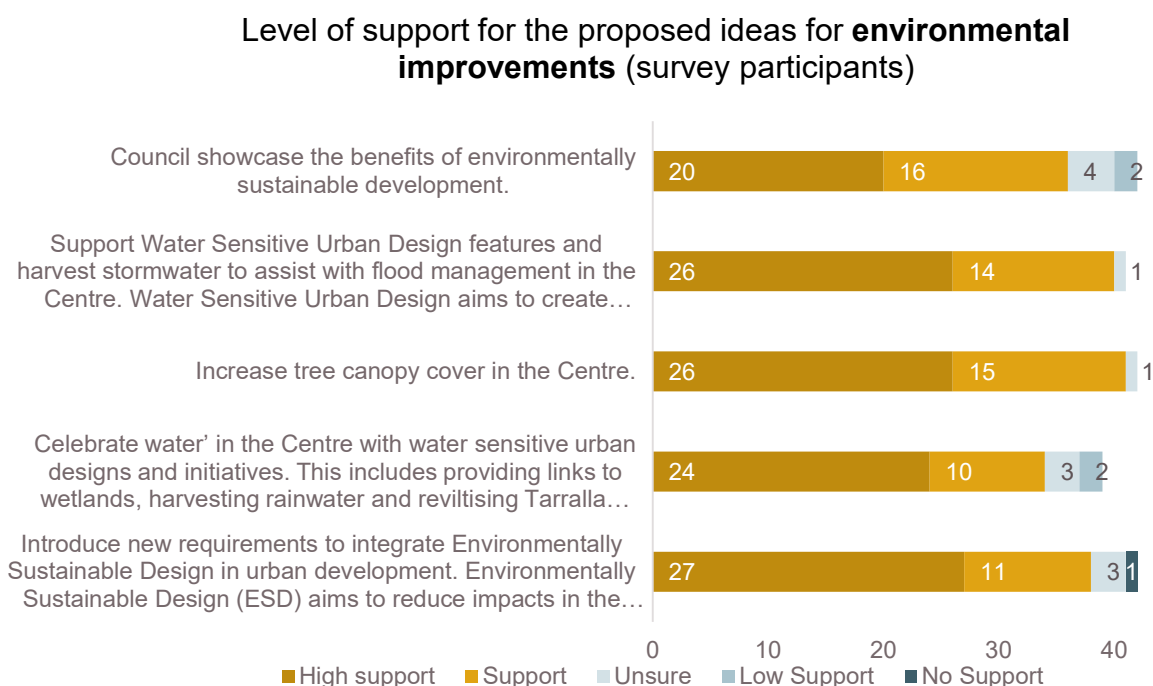


Figure 8 Level of support for key proposed ideas for environmental improvements (N=42)

Additional ideas shared by participants are summarised below.

- Embrace more formal and sophisticated environmental or botanical design.
- Consider having a new lake or duck pond beside Croydon Pool.
- Promote recycling through TerraCycle and reduce excess packaging.
- Consider using recycled water for public utilities, gardens and parks.
- Encourages businesses to compost.
- Preserve larger trees and increase tree coverage and upgrade garden beds.
- Plant indigenous species.
- Consider solar harvesting for public spaces or buildings.

- Explore environmental opportunities on multi-level car park such as rooftop planting of trees.
- Provide rebates and grants for businesses to upgrade their buildings to meet modern energy efficiency standards, for example insulation, heating/cooling, waste management and so on.
- Improve the pond outside the library.



3.4 Transport, Urban design and built form

Overall, participants were very supportive of most of the ideas. The idea to reconsider land uses next to Tarralla Creek did not receive as much support as many participants were unsure about the plans. Participants also provided comments on road network improvements to improve walking and cycling experience in Croydon such as improving tight turns, pedestrian crossing and signages. Over half of the participants were concerned that narrowing Mt Dandenong Road would cause more traffic congestion.

Survey participants were asked to indicate their level of support for the key ideas for urban design and built form suggested in the Discussion Paper. All key ideas proposed for urban design and built forms received majority support. Reconsidering the land uses next to Tarralla Creek received the least support. A comparatively higher number of people were unsure about this idea.

The ideas and results are illustrated in Figure 9.

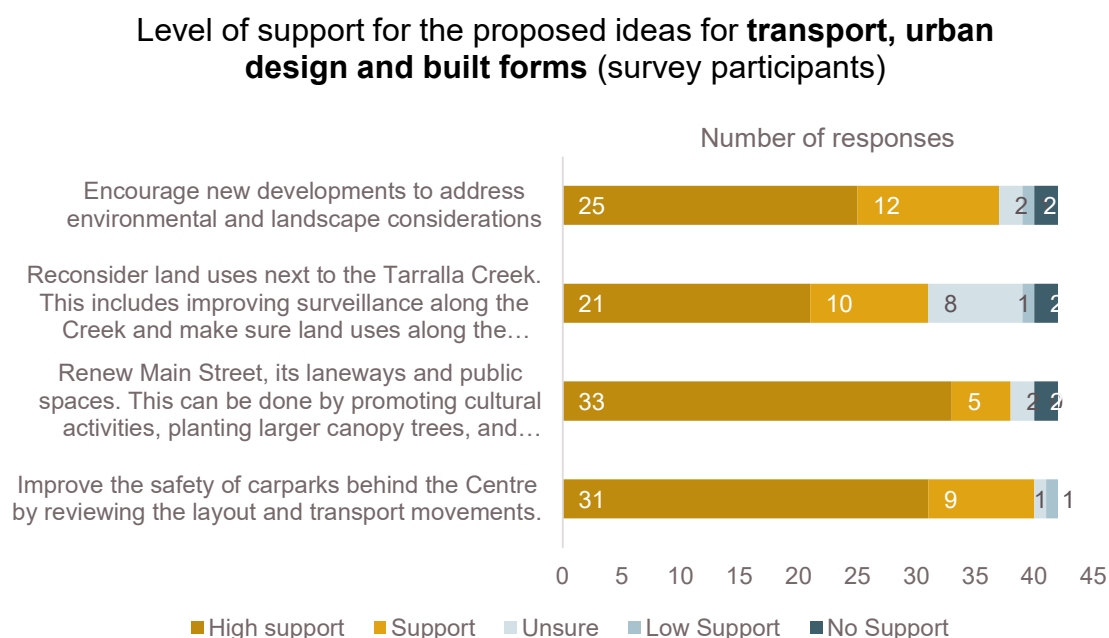


Figure 9 Level of support for key proposed ideas for urban design and built form (N=42)

Additional ideas shared by participants are summarised below.

- Consider designs in response to anti-social behaviour in the open spaces of Main Street.
- Ensure that new developments do not replace existing tree-lined blocks.
- Activate street frontages of the shopping centre.
- Improve existing open spaces by improving pavements and providing more lighting.
- Beautify streetscape in and around Main Street, Civic Square, Croydon Station, and surrounding streets to make public spaces safe and pleasant to access.
- Retrofit old buildings along Mt Dandenong Rd.
- One participant desired that the Croydon Community School would retain the heritage wall and the oak trees and be used as a Neighbourhood House for community groups.
- Improve bike paths in the Civic Square, on Kent Ave, towards the station, Hewish Rd and Dorset Rd.
- Provide wider and safer shared paths in the Civic Square.
- Improve signages at the Civic Square, Croydon Park and Norton Rd.
- Provide safer crossing at Hewish Rd, across Mt Dandenong Rd to the park.
- One participant preferred the gateway into Croydon (Mt Dandenong from Bayswater Road) to remain as low key and preserve the village feel.
- Major landowners felt that the current controls are limiting outcomes on sites and creating suburban responses rather than those suitable for an activity centre; they desired clear requirements for developments in the Centre.
- Provide off-road walking and cycling trails.
- A landowner desired to optimise the large at-grade parking along Wicklow Avenue and better connect the existing shopping centre with the railway station
- Increase accessibility via links to carparks, parks and the station.
- Add more crosswalks with pedestrian lights and stop lights in Main Street.



3.5 Community infrastructure

Overall, participants were supportive of providing more spaces for arts and cultural activities like festival and performing venues. They would like to see a diversity of open spaces provided and heritage places enhanced. Participants made suggestions to provide community infrastructure to help people who are experiencing homelessness.

Survey participants were asked to indicate their level of support for the key ideas for community infrastructure suggested in the Discussion Paper. All key ideas proposed for urban design and built forms received majority support.

The ideas and results are illustrated in Figure 10Figure 9Figure 7.

Level of support for the proposed ideas for **community infrastructure** (survey participants)

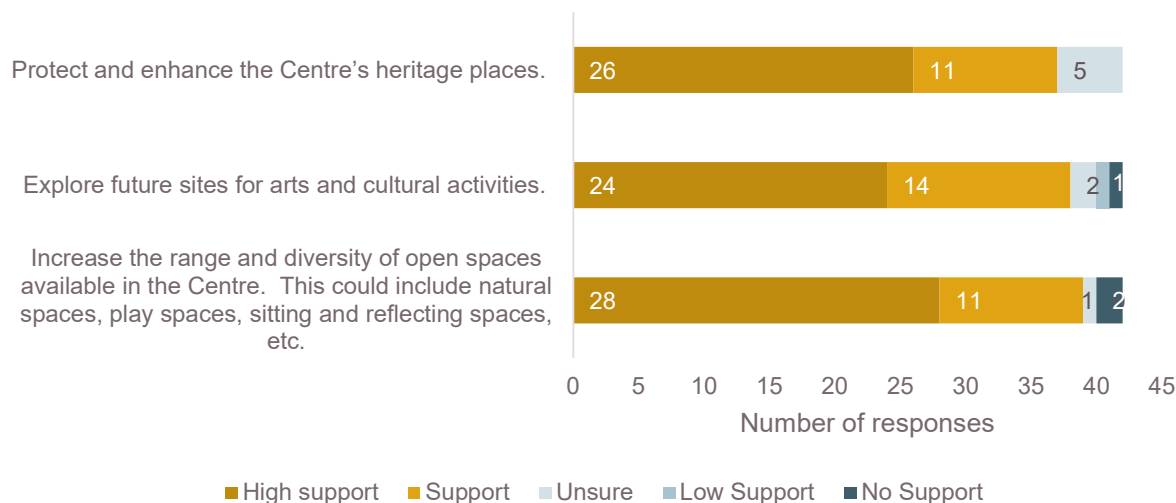


Figure 10 Level of support for key proposed ideas for community infrastructure (N=42)

Additional ideas shared by participants are summarised below.

- Provide dedicated taxi/ rideshare pick up areas.
- Promote heritage places and celebrate Aboriginal connections.
- Consider providing wheel-chair access to access (future) roof garden areas on public buildings.
- Using the Croydon Community School as an Arts Precinct.
- Retain Croydon Memorial Pool in its current location.
- Provide shelters in open spaces or drop-in centre and outreach services for people experiencing homelessness.
- Upgrade the Scout Hall.
- Provide exercise equipment along Tarralla Creek trail (particularly next to Tinternvale Primary School and near the Athletics track).
- Consider upgrading the Croydon Train Station area.
- Provide a Community Centre similar to Wyreena Community Arts Centre.
- Provide more live music venues.
- Promote street art and open-air festivals that promote inclusion and diversity.
- More seating areas for local groups to hold meetings
- Bring back the Croydon Farmers' Market.
- Capitalise on the Yarra Ranges wine region for Croydon to provide more arts and culture/wine-related activities to visitors.



3.6 Activity Centre boundary

Overall, participants were unclear about the implications of the change to the activity centre boundary. Future consultation on this change would need to provide more information to help participants provide informed feedback.

Survey participants were asked to indicate whether they support proposed changes to the activity centre boundary. Over half of the participants indicated they were unsure of the change.

Results were shown in Figure 11.

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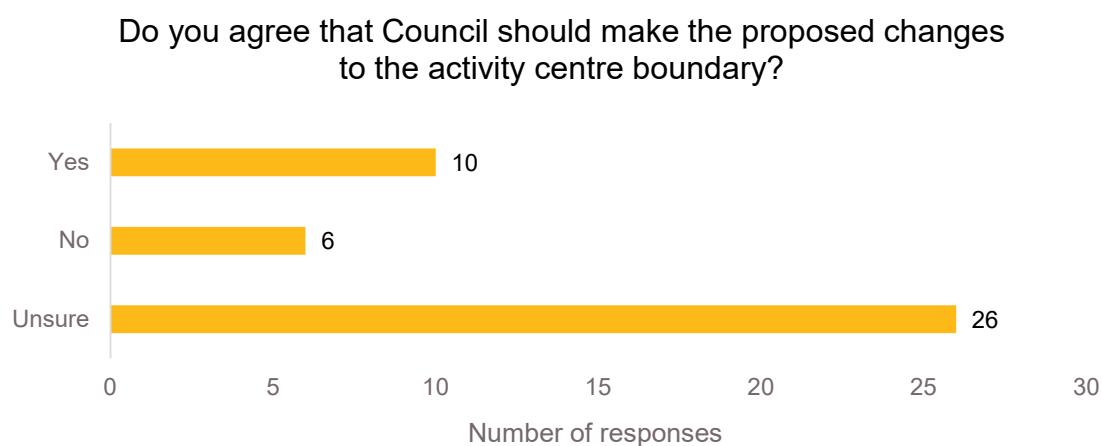


Figure 11 Participants' support to the proposed changes to the activity centre boundary (N=42)

Further comments shared by participants are summarised below.

- One participant recommended that the boundary should follow the main roads.
- A few participants were concerned that the change of the boundary would encourage more commercial development in the MAC.
- One participant was concerned that the boundaries of the MAC would cause planning issues like overshadowing, traffic and massing in small arterials.
- Some participants supported the change in boundary as it will encourage more residential development near Swinburne and along Mt Dandenong Road, which are within walking distance of Mani Street and the station.
- A landowner desired that the change in boundary would avoid rezoning of the C1Z.

4 Key messages for the draft Structure Plan

IDEAS PROPOSED IN THE DISCUSSION PAPER

Overall, the ideas proposed in the Discussion Paper received support.

General support for ideas in Business and Economic Development:

- Promote the night-time economy to provide a more vibrant activity centre.
- Create an 'Eat Street' in and adjacent to the Main Street. This would be through more facilitation and space for outdoor eating.
- Foster a localised office market to provide more employment options for the local area.
- Support the transitioning of industry to urban services. This includes artisan activities, creative industries and industry and services that support businesses in Main Street.

General support for ideas in Environmental Improvement:

- Council to showcase the benefits of environmentally sustainable development.
- Support Water Sensitive Urban Design features and harvest stormwater to assist with flood management in the Centre.
- Increase tree canopy cover in the Centre.
- Introduce new requirements to integrate Environmentally Sustainable Design in urban development.

General support for ideas in Transport, Urban Design and Built Forms:

- Improve the safety of carparks behind the Centre by reviewing the layout and transport movements.
- Increase accessibility via links to carparks, parks and the station.
- Encourage new developments to address environmental and landscape considerations
- Renew Main Street, its laneways and public spaces. This can be done by promoting cultural activities, planting larger canopy trees, and increase outdoor eating spaces.
- Improve pedestrian and cycling connectivity

General support for ideas in Community Infrastructure:

- Increase the range and diversity of open spaces available in the Centre. This could include natural spaces, play spaces, sitting and reflecting spaces, etc.
- Explore future sites for arts and cultural activities.
- Protect and enhance the Centre's heritage places.

The ideas that received less support:

- Continue to provide housing in the Centre to meet Croydon's growing housing needs. Key locations include mixed-use, residential, main road, shop top and some commercial precincts.
- Deliver more affordable or social housing in the Centre.
- Require developers to deliver some affordable housing.

- Narrow Mt Dandenong Road to minimise traffic speeds and the distance required for pedestrians to cross the road

The ideas that a greater number of people were not sure about:

- Reconsider land uses next to the Tarralla Creek.
- Changing the MAC Boundary

OTHER IDEAS SHARED BY PARTICIPANTS

Participants have also shared other ideas. Their common ideas (shared by more than one participant) have been summarised below. The full list of ideas can be found in Appendix C.

Housing and residential development

- Support for more medium-density development
- Ensure the use of high-quality materials and architectural design (discourage cookie-cutter development).
- Ensure access to open spaces and parks for residents.
- Consider housing provision for people with various housing demands, including people with a disability, students, people escaping from family violence, first-home buyers, families and people experiencing homelessness.
- Explore appropriate locations for medium-density buildings
- Explore appropriate locations for affordable housing
- Address concerns around the traffic, noise and visual impacts of higher density development in Croydon through urban design

Business and economic development

- Provide shades in outdoor dining areas.
- Provide co-working spaces for businesses.

Improvements related to Main Street

- Mitigate noise impacts to the surrounding areas of Main Street
- Improve the diversity of retail offerings on Main Street
- Redo pavements of Main Street.
- Provide free Wi-Fi along Main Street.
- Provide more frequent cleaning in Main Street.
- Add more crosswalks with pedestrian lights and stop lights in Main Street.
- Provide more seating areas and green spaces along Main Street.

Environmental improvements

- Preserve larger trees and increase tree coverage
- Upgrade garden beds.
- Plant indigenous species.
- Harvest solar energy in public buildings

Urban design and built form

- Ensure that new developments do not replace existing tree-lined blocks.
- Consider using recycled water for public utilities, gardens and parks.
- Activate street frontages of the shopping centre.
- Improve bike paths in the Civic Square, on Kent Ave, towards the station, Hewish Rd and Dorset Rd.

- Provide wider and safer shared paths in the Civic Square.
- Improve signages at the Civic Square, Croydon Park and Norton Rd.
- Provide safer crossing at Hewish Rd, across Mt Dandenong Rd to the park.
- Improve existing open spaces by improving pavements and providing more lighting.
- Beautify streetscape in and around Main Street, Civic Square, Croydon Station, and surrounding streets to make public spaces safe and pleasant to access.

Community infrastructure

- Bring back the Croydon Market.
- Provide outdoor gym facilities
- Promote street art and open-air festivals that promote inclusion and diversity.
- Provide shelters in open spaces and outreach services for people experiencing homelessness.

These ideas will be reviewed and considered in the drafting of the Structure Plan or inform other Council work, if relevant.

KEY MESSAGES FOR FUTURE ENGAGEMENT

The engagement results reflected that many participants were unsure about some of the technical ideas proposed or other Council projects referenced in the Discussion Paper. Future engagement to consider providing more information to help participants understand these ideas to give informed feedback. This could include factsheets, short project summaries and provide relevant project web links.

It is also noted that many participants had negative impressions on taller buildings or apartment development. The draft Structure Plan to consider concerns around building quality, traffic, noise, lack of open spaces and visual impacts of higher density development.

5 Next step

Suggestions and ideas collected in this engagement will be reviewed and considered in the drafting of the Structure Plan. Majority of the opportunities put forward in the Discussion Paper were supported. New ideas or ideas that were not supported will be reviewed against the broader strategic justification in drafting the Structure Plan. Key considerations include the state policy direction on the role of a Major Activity Centre, community aspirations and the technical evidence. The next phase of engagement will include the release of a draft Structure Plan, and trials of some of place activation ideas proposed (restrictions permitting). Community members will have further opportunities to provide feedback on the draft Structure Plan in the next phase of engagement.

Appendices

Appendix A: Survey

Croydon Major Activity Centre Structure Plan

Council is updating the Structure Plan for Croydon Major Activity Centre (MAC or 'the centre') to make sure the future plans for Croydon meet the needs and aspirations of the community. You are invited to share your feedback on the opportunities explored in the Discussion Paper as well as other ideas for how we can enhance the MAC.

This survey will seek your feedback on some of the proposed ideas for Croydon MAC (or 'the Centre'). It will take you approximately 20 minutes to complete.

Section 1: About you

1. What is your relationship with Croydon?
 - I live in Croydon
 - I am a business owner
 - I work/study in Croydon
 - I am a regular visitor of Croydon
 - Other: _____
2. If you're a resident, how long have you been living in Croydon?
 - 1 - 3 years
 - 4 - 8 years
 - 9 -12 years
 - 13 or more years
3. How old are you?
 - 12 - 17
 - 18 – 24
 - 25 – 34
 - 35 – 49
 - 50 – 59
 - 60 - 69
 - 70 - 84
 - 85 or over
4. What is your gender?
 - Man
 - Woman
 - Non-binary
 - Self-described
 - Prefer not to say

Section 2: Your feedback

Described below are the key ideas suggested in the Discussion Paper. Please indicate your level of support by selecting:

- **No support** – I have no support for this idea
- **Low Support** – I have low support for this idea
- **Unsure** – I am unsure about this idea
- **Support** – I support this idea
- **High support** – I have high support for this idea

Housing and residential development

What is your level of support for the following **housing and residential development** ideas?

	High support	Support	Unsure	Low support	No support
1. Continue to provide housing in the Centre to meet Croydon's growing housing need <i>Locations include mixed-use, residential, main road, shop top and some commercial precincts.</i>					
2. Deliver more affordable or social housing in the Centre.					
3. Require developers to deliver some affordable housing.					

4. Do you have other suggestions for Council when planning for future housing in Croydon MAC?
(Open end)

5. Is there a housing type missing in the Centre you would like to see available? (Open end)

Business and economic development

What is your level of support for the following **business and economic development** ideas?

	High support	Support	Unsure	Low support	No support
6. Promote the night-time economy to provide a more vibrant activity centre.					
7. Create an 'Eat Street' in and adjacent to the Main Street. <i>This would be through more facilitation and space for outdoor eating.</i>					
8. Foster a localised office market to provide more employment options for the local area.					
9. Support the transitioning of industry to urban services <i>This includes artisan activities, creative industries and industry and services that support businesses in Main Street.</i>					

Environmental improvementsWhat is your level of support for the following **environmental improvements**?

	High support	Support	Unsure	Low support	No support
10. Council showcase the benefits of environmentally sustainable development.					
11. Support Water Sensitive Urban Design features and harvest stormwater to assist with flood management in the Centre. <i>Water Sensitive Urban Design aims to create urban environments that allow the water cycle to function as it would naturally.</i>					
12. Increase tree canopy cover in the Centre.					
13. 'Celebrate water' in the Centre with water-sensitive designs and initiatives. <i>This includes providing links to wetlands, harvesting rainwater and revitalising Tarralla Creek.</i>					
14. Introduce new requirements to integrate Sustainable Design in urban development. <i>Environmentally Sustainable Design (ESD) aims to is to reduce impacts in the construction and use of buildings on the natural environment, whilst improving the comfort of the inhabitants.</i>					

15. Are there any other environmental improvements you would like Council to explore? (Open end)

Transport, Urban design and built formWhat is your level of support for the following **urban design and built form** ideas?

	High support	Support	Unsure	Low support	No support
16. Encourage new developments to address environmental and landscape considerations.					
17. Reconsider land uses next to the Tarralla Creek. <i>This includes improving surveillance along the Creek and make sure land uses along the creek overlook the open space.</i>					
18. Renew Main Street, its laneways and public spaces. <i>This can be done by promoting cultural activities, planting larger canopy trees, and increase outdoor eating space.</i>					
19. Improve the safety of carparks behind the Centre by reviewing the layout and transport movements.					

Community infrastructure

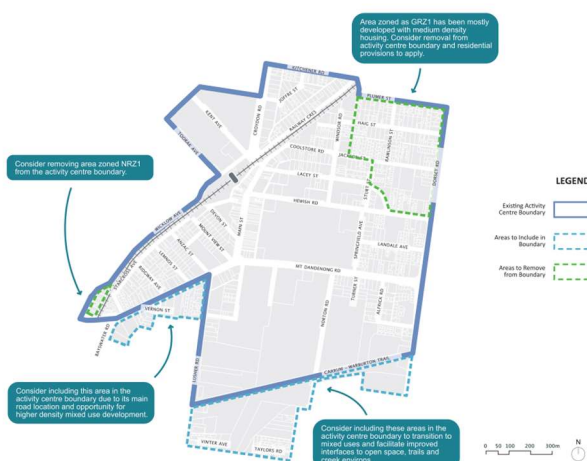
What is your level of support for the following **community infrastructure** ideas?

	High support	Support	Unsure	Low support	No support
20. Increase the range and diversity of open spaces available in the Centre. <i>This could include natural spaces, play spaces, sitting and reflecting spaces, etc.</i>					
21. Explore future sites for arts and cultural activities.					
22. Protect and enhance the Centre's heritage places.					

23. What other community facilities would you like Council to consider in the Croydon MAC?

MAC Boundary review

Figure 23 – Croydon Activity Centre Boundary – Potential Areas For Review



Council is considering changing the activity centre boundary to include:

- Land between Lusher, Taylors and Norton Road, Vinter Avenue and the Carrum - Warburton trail.
- Land along the Tarralla Creek and to its immediate south and Dorset Road.
- Residential areas on the south side of Mt Dandenong Road, west of Lusher Road.

and remove:

- Residential land North of Mt Dandenong Road between the railway and Wicklow Avenue
- Residential land in the North-east section of the Activity Centre, between Dorset Road, Plummer Street and Hewish Road.

24. Do you agree that Council should make the above changes to the activity centre boundary?

- Yes
- No, please comment: _____
- Unsure

32. Can you tell us why?

General comments

25. Overall, do you have any further comments you would like to share in relation to the Discussion Paper on Issues and Opportunities?

Appendix B: Demographic data of survey respondents

PARTICIPANTS' AGE GROUP

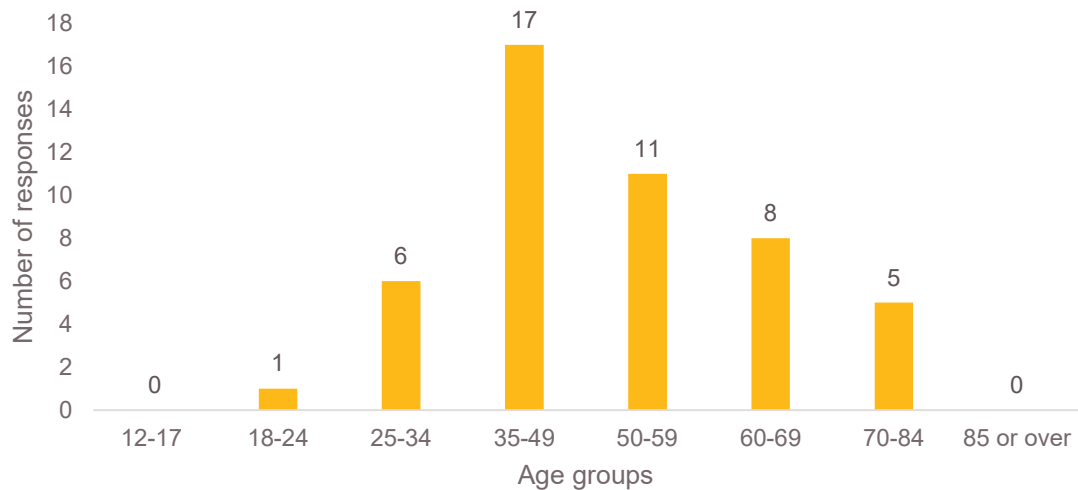


Figure 12 Age groups of participants (N=48). School students' demographic data was not collected and hence did not reflect in the 12-17 age group.

PARTICIPANTS' RELATIONSHIPS WITH CROYDON

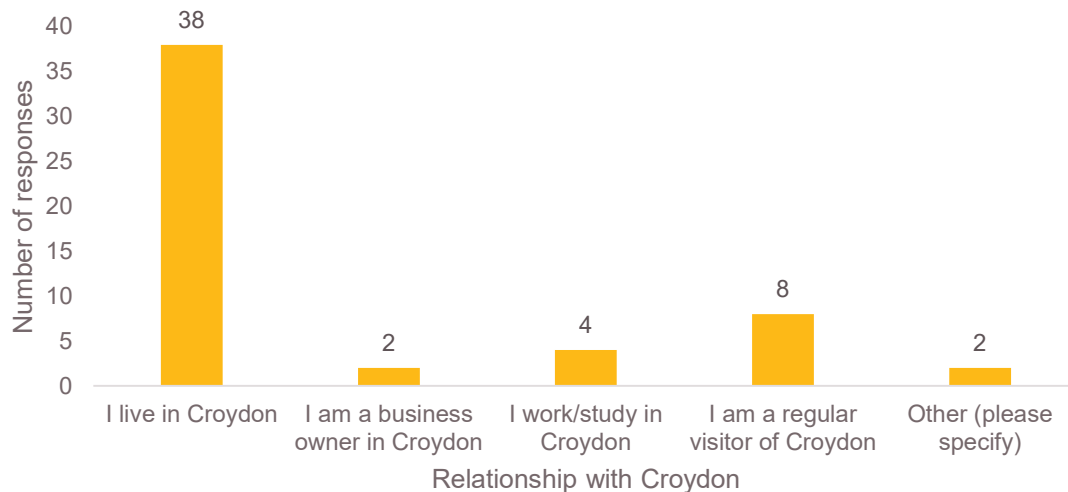


Figure 13 Participants' relationship with Croydon (N=54). Participants can choose more than one options.

PARTICIPANTS' YEARS OF LIVING IN CROYDON

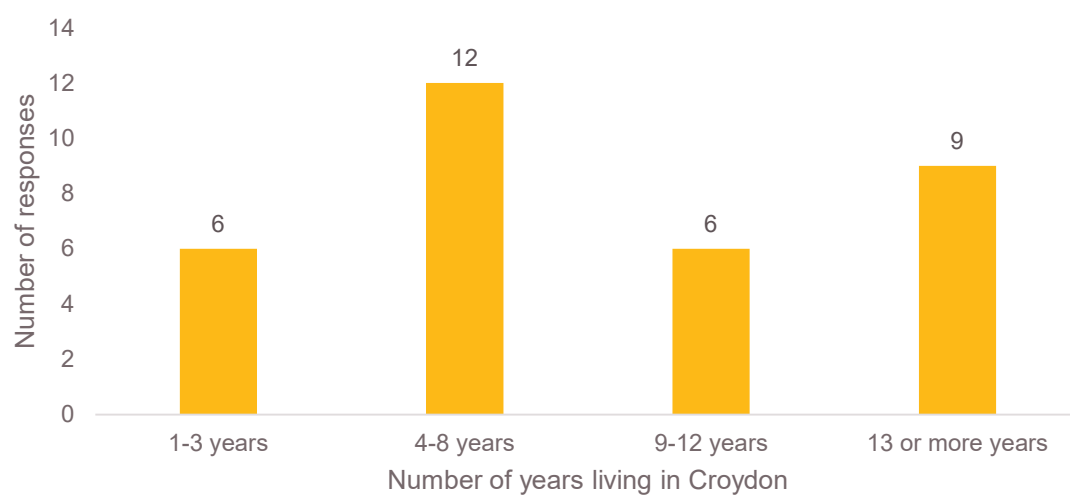


Figure 14 Survey respondents' years of living in Croydon (N=33)