

Cheshire West & Chester Council

Draft Community Assets Framework Feedback Form



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and Chester

Introduction

Cheshire West and Chester Council are committed to ensure that our communities and local residents thrive through access to the support and services they need.

Community assets and provision such as community centres, libraries and green spaces, play an invaluable role in achieving this, and to ensure we get this right the council is reviewing the way in which it supports, manages and delivers its community assets and provision. This is described in the draft Community Assets Framework that sets out the Council's approach for its community assets and how it works with and supports these assets both now and proposals for the future. The framework details 6 key principles and supporting criteria of reviewing assets to support its delivery.

Why are we consulting? Aims of the consultation

The aim of the consultation is to provide you with an opportunity to:

1. Give opinions on how the council proposes to manage and support its community assets both now and in the future
2. Make suggestions on how we review our assets and how this can determine what we do in the future
3. Give your views on how we can improve the delivery of community assets and provision

Your views are important

Your views are invaluable and will help us to understand the most appropriate way in which the council supports, manages and delivers its community assets and provision in the future. We will use the information that you provide to ensure that what we are proposing meets the expectations of our local residents and communities.

The feedback from this consultation, along with responses from other engagement activities, will inform recommendations for our community assets and provision that will form part of further comprehensive localised consultation for specific assets and provision in Summer 2018.

It may be useful when completing the questionnaire to refer back to the Draft Community Assets Framework.

How to get involved

The 12 week consultation closes on **25 February 2018**. There is a range of ways to express your views:

- Complete this survey or go online to www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/CommunityAssetsFramework
- Email: libraries@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk
- Telephone: 0300 123 8 123
- Write to: Draft Community Assets Framework, Research and Intelligence Team, Cheshire West and Chester Council, 4 Civic Way, Ellesmere Port, CH65 0BE

Attend a drop-in event

Drop in and talk to us about the framework at the following events, which are listed below in date order:

Venue	Date
Neston Library, Parkgate Road, Neston, CH64 6QE	Thursday 7th December, 10am-1pm
Ellesmere Port Library, Civic Way, Ellesmere Port, CH65 0BG	Monday 11th December, 4pm-7pm
The Venue, Lache Community Centre, Hawthorn Road, Chester, CH4 8HX	Monday 18th December, 3pm-6pm
Sandiway Library, Mere Lane, Sandiway, CW8 2NS	Tuesday 23rd January, 3.30pm-7pm
Hope Farm Library, Bridge Meadow, Ellesmere Port, CH66 2LE	Friday 26th January, 10am-1pm
New Images, Nixon Drive, Winsford, CW7 2HG	Wednesday 31st January, 3.30pm-6.30pm
Great Boughton Library, Green Lane, Chester, CH3 5LB	Monday 5th February, 10am-1pm
Wharton Library, Willow Square, Winsford, CW7 3HP	Tuesday 6th February, 3.30pm-6.30pm
Northwich Library, Witton Street, Northwich, CW9 5DR	Saturday 10th February, 10am-1pm
Frodsham Library, Princeway, Frodsham, WA6 6RX	Tuesday 13th February, 3pm-6pm

How to complete the questionnaire

- If you are under 16 you will need the permission and signature of a parent or guardian at Q14
- Please refer to the Draft Community Assets Framework before answering the questions
- Please use a black or blue pen
- Please read each question carefully and put a tick in the box(es) to select your answer, or write in your comment
- If there are any questions you do not wish to answer, please feel free to leave them blank
- All information provided will be treated confidentially and no information will be released that could identify an individual or household

Section A – The Principles

The Draft Community Assets Framework recommends 6 key principles to support the Council’s vision of creating efficient and fit for purpose community assets. We would like your views on how much you agree or disagree with each of these principles and the way in which we intend to achieve these principles. (Please refer to pages 10-16 in the framework)

Principle 1: Supporting Communities: Ensuring our community assets are well managed and support the needs of our communities (pages 10-11)

1a. To what extent do you agree or disagree that the council should ensure its community assets are well managed and support the needs of communities?

Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1b. Please tell us your reasons why or any other comments?

1c. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the actions we are proposing to achieve the delivery of this principle?

Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

1d. Do you have any additional comments on the actions we are proposing?

Principle 2: Regeneration: Supporting place based regeneration to deliver the right services in the right location, based upon community need (pages 11-12)

2a. To what extent do you agree or disagree that community assets need to be considered in wider regeneration projects?

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

Don't know

2b. Please tell us your reasons why or any other comments?

2c. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the actions we are proposing to achieve the delivery of this principle?

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

Don't know

2d. Do you have any additional comments on the actions we are proposing?

Principle 3: Partnership: Working with local partners to integrate or co-locate services to provide a better offer or approach to communities, and to maximise income and opportunities (pages 12-13)

3a. To what extent do you agree or disagree that it is important to co-locate/integrate our community assets and provision with partners?

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

Don't know

3b. Please tell us your reasons why or any other comments?

3c. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the actions we are proposing to achieve the delivery of this principle?

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

Don't know

3d. Do you have any additional comments on the actions we are proposing?

Principle 4: Releasing: Releasing assets that no longer provide the best value for our communities and meet Council Outcomes (pages 13-14)

4a. To what extent do you agree or disagree that the council should release or dispose of its community assets that no longer provide value to our communities?

Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4b. Please tell us your reasons why or any other comments?

4c. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the actions we are proposing to achieve the delivery of this principle?

Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4d. Do you have any additional comments on the actions we are proposing?

Principle 5: Transferring: Empowering communities to influence the use of assets in their area through assets transfers (pages 14-15)

5a. To what extent do you agree or disagree that the council should promote and support the transfer of assets to local communities to run?

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

Don't know

5b. Please tell us your reasons why or any other comments?

5c. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the actions we are proposing to achieve the delivery of this principle?

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

Don't know

5d. Do you have any additional comments on the actions we are proposing?

Principle 6: Equality: Supporting equality across the borough, ensuring our assets, where possible, are all-inclusive and accessible (pages 15-16)

6a. To what extent do you agree or disagree that, where possible, we need to ensure that our community assets and provision are accessible and inclusive to all?

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

Don't know

6b. Please tell us your reasons why or any other comments?

6c. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the actions we are proposing to achieve the delivery of this principle?

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

Don't know

6d. Do you have any additional comments on the actions we are proposing?

Section B – How we intend to review our community assets

We have developed a way of working to review our community assets and provision that uses a variety of methods, which includes mapping community assets in an area, understanding usage and community engagement through this survey and face to face discussions. We would like your views on how much you agree or disagree with this way of working (please refer to pages 7-9 in the framework)

7. How far do you agree or disagree with the way in which we will review our community assets?

Strongly agree

Agree

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

Don't know

8. Do you have any additional comments on the method of review?

Section C – Other comments

9. Do you have any general comments you would like to make about the Draft Community Assets Framework, or any further ideas about the delivery of Council owned community assets across Cheshire West and Chester?

Section D – About you

All questions are voluntary and will be treated in the strictest confidence. The answers you give will only be used to see where views differ. Please feel free to leave blank any questions you do not wish to answer, we will still use the comments you have given us so far.

No information will be released that would allow the identification of you as an individual or of your household.

Q10. Are you responding as...? Please tick all that apply.

- A local resident
- A user of a Cheshire West and Chester owned community asset
- A local business
- An employee of Cheshire West and Chester Council
- An elected Member of Cheshire West and Chester Council
- An elected town or parish Councillor in Cheshire West and Chester
- A member of a voluntary or community organisation
- Other, please state

Q11. If you are responding on behalf of a group, organisation or club please state the name and postcode in the box below. (You do not need to complete the rest of the About You section)

Q12. Please tell us your postcode.

Q13. Are you...?

- Male Female Prefer not to say Prefer own term (please state)

Q14. Please tell us which age group you belong to.

Under 16

Please provide signature of a parent/guardian

16 - 24

25 - 34

35 - 44

45 - 54

55 - 64

65 - 74

75 and over

Q15a. Do you have a long-term illness, health issue or disability that limits your daily activities or the work you can do?

- Yes No

Q15b. If you answered 'Yes' please indicate which of the following applies to you....

- Physical impairment that causes mobility issues
- Visual Impairment
- Mental Health issue
- Hearing impairment
- Learning disability or difficulty
- Long standing issue or health condition
- Other, please state

Q16. What is your ethnic group?**White:**

- British
- Irish
- Any other white background
(please state below)

Asian or Asian British:

- Indian
- Pakistani
- Bangladeshi
- Chinese
- Any other Asian background
(please state below)

Other ethnic group:

- Arab
- Other ethnic group

Black or Black British:

- Caribbean
- African
- Any other black background
(please state below)

Mixed

- White and Black Caribbean
- White and Black African
- White and Asian
- Any other mixed background
(please state below)

Travelling Community

- Gypsy/Roma
- Traveller of Irish descent
- Other member of the travelling community
(please state)

Q17. Which of these best describes your religious belief/faith?

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Buddhist | <input type="checkbox"/> Christian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hindu | <input type="checkbox"/> Jewish |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Muslim | <input type="checkbox"/> Sikh |
| <input type="checkbox"/> None | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please state | |

Q18. Which of these best describes your sexual orientation?

- | | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heterosexual/straight | <input type="checkbox"/> Bisexual | <input type="checkbox"/> Gay/Lesbian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer not to say | <input type="checkbox"/> Other | |

Thank you for completing this survey.

Please return it by posting it in the enclosed pre-addressed envelope (no stamp needed) or to The Research and Intelligence Team, Cheshire West and Chester Council, 4 Civic Way, Ellesmere Port, CH65 0BE.

The closing date is Sunday 25 February 2018

Your views are really important in helping shape the future of our community assets. We will consider all the feedback we receive and the results will be published on our website in Spring 2018.

We welcome views from all sections of the community and would encourage everyone to take part in this consultation. Note that the Council has a responsibility to make sure that its services are available to all, regardless of race, colour, nationality, ethnic origin, gender, age, marital status, sexual orientation, disability, religion or belief or gender identity. Comments that are offensive to particular groups or considered inappropriate under the Equality Act 2010 will not be considered or published as part of this consultation.

Accessing Cheshire West and Chester Council information and services.

Council information is also available in Audio, Braille, Large Print or other formats. If you would like a copy in a different format, in another language or require a BSL interpreter, please email us at: equalities@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

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