



Your views on the vision for Catford town centre

Engagement so far

Since 2017, Team Catford has held 134 community engagement events dedicated to sharing the vision for Catford town centre and gathering residents' feedback.

From stalls at the Catford Food Market, Catford Vegan Festival and Catford South and Rushey Green Local Assemblies to gathering feedback from local people at the dedicated engagement space in Catford Cornucopia and the Commonplace website, we've had thousands of face-to-face conversations discussing what those who live, work, shop or run a business in Catford imagine for the town centre in the decades to come.

There have been over **2,000** comments shared including;

- 562** relating to public spaces in and around Catford
- 538** relating to roads
- 465** relating to pedestrians



In May 2019, Lewisham Council shared the emerging themes from the draft framework plan and started to gather more specific feedback on this vision. Throughout the rest of 2019, we had over 500 hours of conversations with local people and gathered responses to a series of questions.

We started off by asking the general question

What would you like to see in the framework for Catford?

Top responses:

- Address traffic and transport issues **13%**
- More greenery **10%**
- Tackle pollution **5%**

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Public Spaces

We asked:

What would you like to see in Catford's public spaces?

Top responses:

1. More greenery 33%
2. Car-free, pedestrianised areas 10%
3. Larger, open space 7%



Civic buildings and public facilities

We asked:

What should we think about when designing new civic buildings in the town centre?

Top responses:

1. Sustainable or eco buildings 16%
2. Welcoming, well-designed buildings 14%
3. Business or creative spaces 9%



New Homes

We asked:

What are the highest priorities for homes in Catford?

Top responses:

1. Relationship between existing buildings and proposed massing 19%
2. Would like to see affordable or social housing for local people 15%
3. Mixed views on high-density living 14%



Town Centre Uses

We asked:

What would bring you to Catford town centre?

Top responses:

1. Improve food and drink options 18%
2. Independent pop-up shops and markets 14%
3. Improve or keep a mix of shops 10%



Traffic and Transport

Although Traffic and Transport was not a specific area of focus it still came up as a common theme. The top responses relating to Traffic and Transport can be seen below.

Top responses:

1. Improved transport links 33%
2. Bakerloo Line Extension 19%
3. Pressure on existing public services 16%



Air Pollution

Similarly, air pollution was not a specific area of focus but it still came up as a common theme. The top responses relating to Air Pollution can be seen below.

Top responses:

1. Measures to reduce pollution from the South Circular Road 45%
2. Additional trees might mitigate against air pollution 35%



What happens next?

All of the feedback gathered by Team Catford has helped inform the draft framework plan for Catford town centre. Lewisham Council will now review the feedback and finalise the framework plan which will become the roadmap for Catford's regeneration over the next 10-15 years. There will be further opportunities to have your say as the next version is finalised and shared with the community in a statutory consultation phase, likely to start in summer 2020.



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