

## **Public Consultation 1 Report**

**Trent Park, Enfield  
5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015**

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

Berkeley held a public consultation from Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2015 – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015 at Southgate Compton Cricket Club, Cockfosters.

The aim of the consultation was predominately to allow local residents to express their ideas for the future of Trent Park, to meet the Berkeley project team and learn of their previous experience. Furthermore, it allowed other interested parties to find out more about the site, how Berkeley understand and view the site, and to discuss what should happen to it.

Residents were able to comment to the project team on the aspects of the site which mattered most to them, and express any possible concerns. Feedback forms were provided and attendees encouraged to write ideas for the site on post-it notes, which were placed onto a board at the centre of the consultation.

## **2. ANALYSIS – ATTENDANCE AND FEEDBACK**

### **2.1 ATTENDANCE**

Prior to the consultation, a comprehensive and wide-ranging advertising exercise was undertaken to ensure that the event was well publicised. Leaflets were delivered to over 8,000 houses in Cockfosters.

Furthermore, quarter page adverts were placed in the *Enfield Advertiser and Gazette* and *The Enfield Independent* to ensure those in the local area were fully aware of the upcoming consultation events.

Details of the event were also passed to other third parties, including The Enfield Society, who included the dates and times of the consultation in their newsletter to 1,700 people.

### **2.2 ATTENDEES**

Over the course of the three days, approximately 380 attendees attended the consultation. Of those who filled out feedback forms, 73% said they had lived in the area for 20 years or more. Additionally, 95% of those who completed a feedback form ticked the box saying that they had found the exercise useful.

## **2.3 FEEDBACK**

The general feedback demonstrated significant interest in the future Trent Park among the local community, and general openness to the concept of new development on the site. The feedback received was very informative, with clear preferences expressed by a majority in response to several questions (*see Appendix 1 to view all feedback in pie chart form*):

- **78%** stated what they disliked most about the site were the 1960s and 1970s buildings
- **63%** said the feature they liked most about the site was either the Mansion façade or the general surrounding grounds
- A majority informed us that their two priorities for the site were for public access to remain to the wider grounds at **33%** and for the Mansion House to be restored to its former glory at **27%**
- The most popular usage of the wider park was found to be exercise at **40%**

### **2.3.1 VERBAL FEEDBACK AT CONSULTATION**

In terms of verbal feedback at the consultation, the most commonly raised themes were:

1. Highways issues on Bramble Road and the Snakes Lane entrance
2. Public access to the site

Berkeley are considering both of these issues carefully and confirmed that:

1. Comprehensive traffic surveys are currently being carried out by their highways consultants which will inform what the impact might be of any development on the site.
2. It has always been their intention to maintain the current public access to the site in any future development.

The overall tone of the consultation was cordial with only one or two exceptions where residents expressed serious concerns towards the principle of developing the site. In general, attendees seemed pleased by the opportunity to meet Berkeley and to get their own point of view across at this early stage.

### **2.3.2 POST-IT NOTE SUGGESTIONS**

Attendees were invited to write their ideas for the site on post-it notes. Some of the most frequent suggestions were:

“Please maintain public access to all historical areas.”

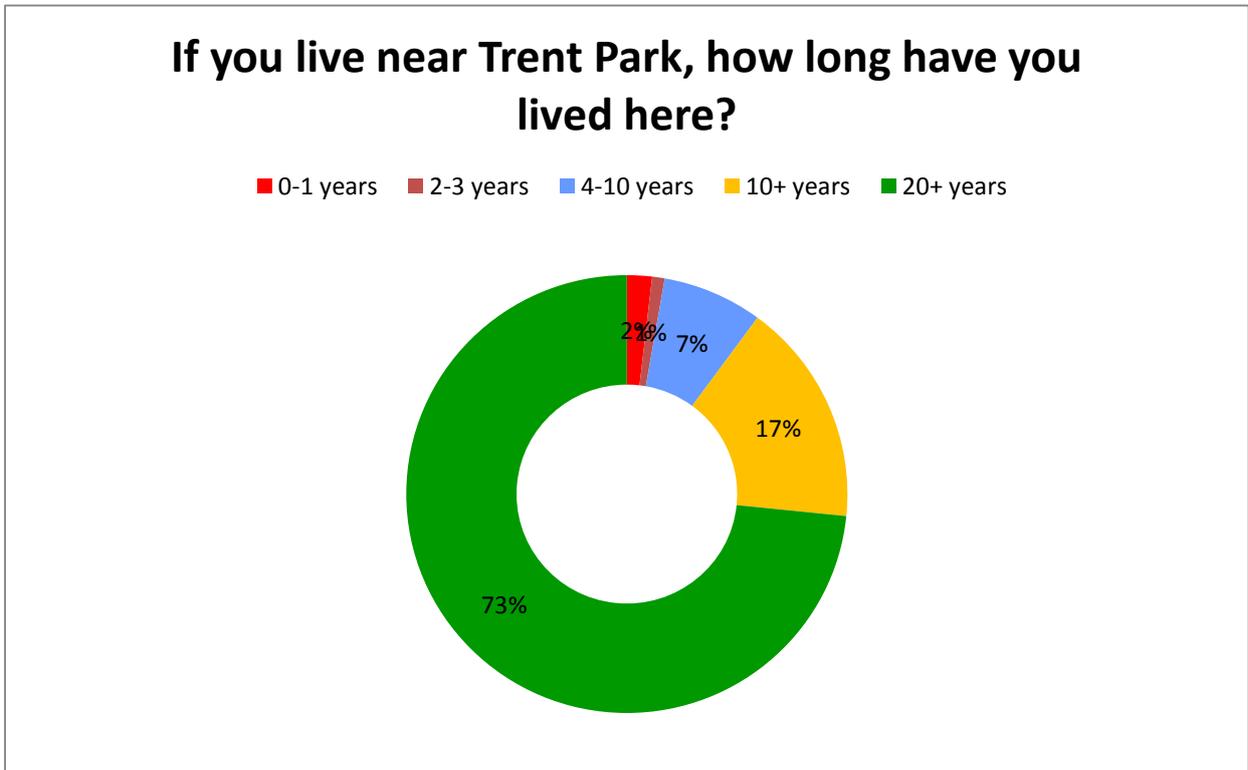
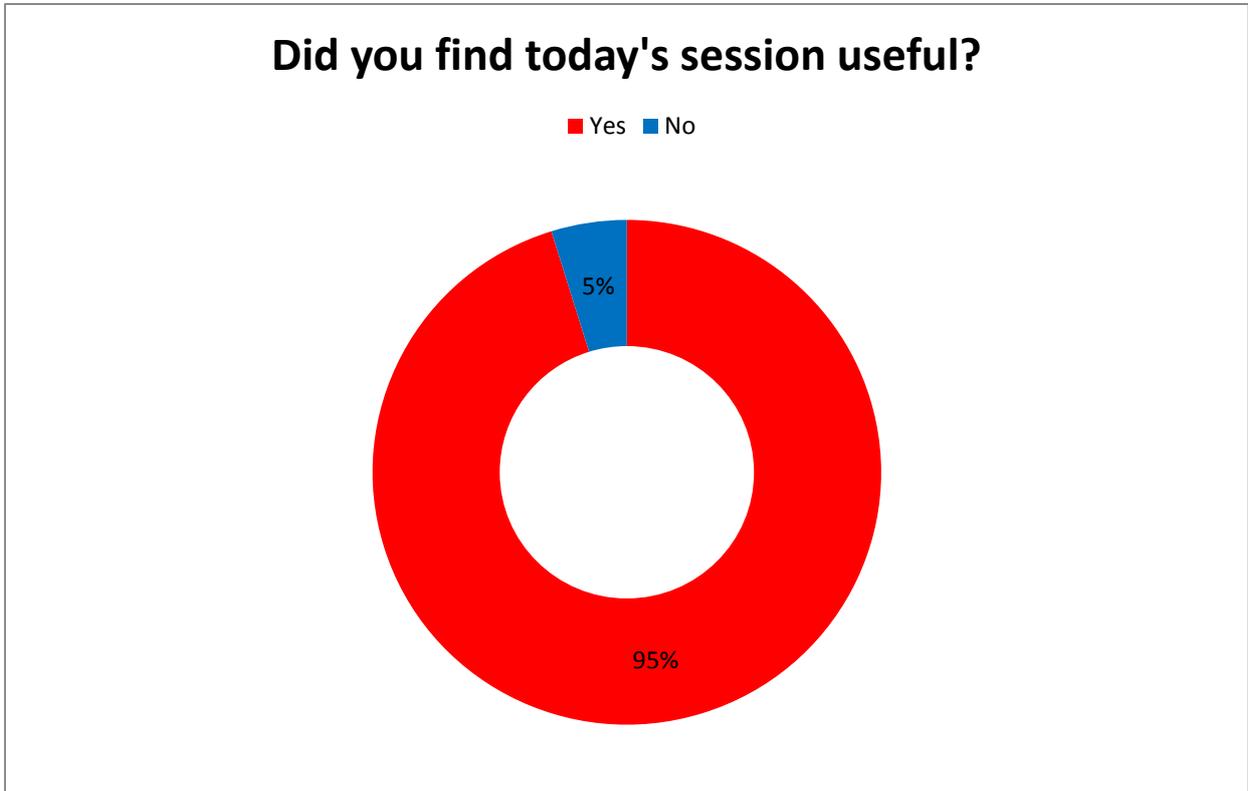
“Would it be possible to visit the house before work is started?”

“Museum for heritage and a coffee shop in the Mansion.”

“Get rid of the 1960s / 1970s buildings.”

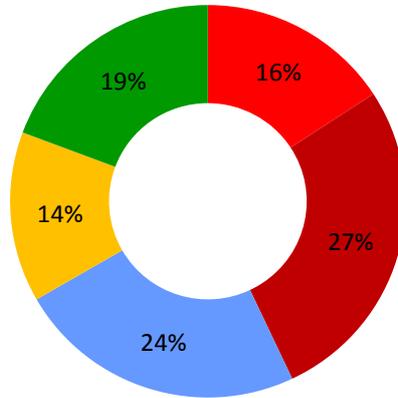
**APPENDIX 1 - BREAKDOWN OF FEEDBACK DATA**

The feedback from each question can be seen below in pie chart form.



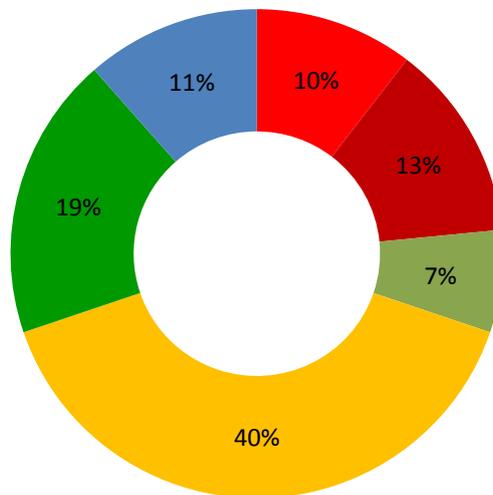
## How many times per month do you visit Trent Park?

■ Daily ■ 1-5 times per month ■ 6-10 times per month ■ 11+ times per month ■ Monthly



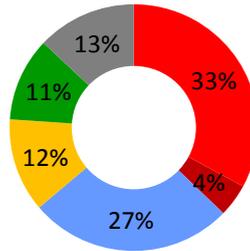
## What do you mainly use Trent Park for?

■ Sporting activity ■ Dog walking ■ Children's play ■ Exercise ■ Socialising ■ Other



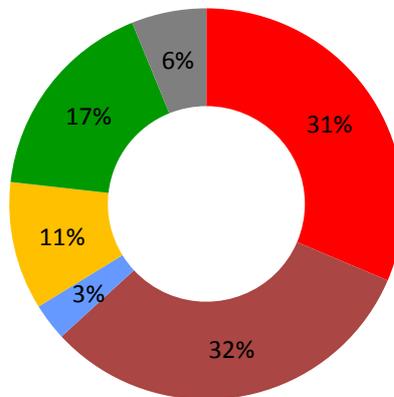
## What are your top 3 priorities for any future scheme to be considered at the former University site?

- Public access to remain
- Events
- Restoration of Mansion House
- Showcase the site's history
- Community uses to be included
- Grounds maintenance



## What do you like most about the site?

- Mansion façade
- General surrounding grounds
- Stable block
- Mansion interior
- Daffodil garden
- Other



## Is there anything that you dislike about the site?

- Appearance
- Usage
- Facilities
- 1960s / 1970s buildings
- Educational usage
- Current landscaping

