

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

Two public drop-in sessions were held in Te Tapuae Southern Corridor in November 2023, aiming to inform and educate members of the community about the structure planning process, and collect information about their aspirations for development in the area.

These sessions were held in the late afternoon and early evening (3.30pm - 7.00pm), with one hosted at Te Kura Whakatipu o Kawarau | Primary School in Hanley's Farm, and the other at the Jack's Point Event Marquee. Overall, an estimated 75 participants attended the two sessions.

HANLEY'S **FARM**

21 November 2023. Public drop-in session: Hanley's Farm

JACK'S **POINT**

23 November 2023. Public drop-in session: Jack's Point

About the engagement

Both public drop-in sessions presented a range of material on the Queenstown Lakes Spatial Plan, the extent of the Te Tapuae Southern Corridor structure plan, and two activities participants could use to share their feedback on development in the area. Council staff from several departments attended both sessions and were available to discuss the project, answer questions and assist with the activities. Short presentations were also run at each session to share more on the project's background, context, and goals.



Of the themes presented, what is the most important to have in Te Tapuae Southern Corridor

ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY ONE

Activity one asked participants to choose three topics they felt were most important for the area, by placing sticky dots on a list of pre-provided categories within the context of future planning opportunities.

This activity aimed to provide participants with the ability to share what they felt is needed in Te Tapuae Southern Corridor to make it a better place to live.

RESULTS

Results were similar for activity one in both Hanley's Farm and Jack's Point, with active travel trails the most popular theme, followed by ecological features. Other themes of importance included commerical and retail, and public transport.

Lakeside amenities was more important to participants at the Jack's Point session, which may reflect the area's proximity to the lakefront. Jack's Point participants were also interested in **community facilities**.

Overall, feedback clearly reflected the topics/activities that partipants feel are lacking in Te Tapuae Southern Corridor currently, and therefore will be important to consider at an appropriate scale for future growth in the area.



Write down what you think is important for communities in Te Tapuae Southern Corridor to have

ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY TWO

Activity two asked participants to review a current map of Te Tapuae Southern Corridor and to use sticky notes to provide their thoughts on four key topics of future development.

This activity aimed to introduce structure planning topics of interest to the community and Council, while capturing preferred locations for each topic.



Topic 1: Commercial/retail

RESULTS

Overall, participants felt there was an opportunity for some commercial and retail development in Te Tapuae Southern Corridor. Most were interested in a **small scale grocery store** and/or **dairy**. **Cafes**, **restaurants** and **bars** or **pubs** at a neighbourhood scale were also mentioned frequently. Some comments pointed towards nodal commercial development.

"SMALL BLOCK OF SHOPS SIMILAR TO LARGER CITIES"

"DON'T WANT JACK'S POINT TO BE THE ONLY RETAIL IN THE CORRIDOR"

TOPIC / CATEGORY	FREQUENCY
Small retail / grocery	••••••
Commercial	•••••
Other	•••••
Cafe	•••••
Supermarket	••••
Pub/bar	•••
Restaurant	••
Commercial / retail results	

Topic 2: Housing

RESULTS

Participants highly rated concepts of **green and open spaces** in conjunction with housing development, with some comments made about a "sea of grey roofs" being undesirable. **Low density** development was the overall preference (40%), but 30% of participants were open to **higher, mixed and increased densities**, showing there may be some community tolerance for density with a balance of open spaces and contextual design and landscaping.

"CONTROLLED DENSITIES,
AREAS OF GREATER DENSITY WITH SUPPORTING SETBACKS"

TOPIC / CATEGORY	FREQUENCY
Low density	•••••••
Mixed density	•••••
Other	••••
Open space/ greenbelts/landscape	••••
High density	
Visual blending	••
Increase density/ typologies	••
Medium density	•
Housing results.	

Topic 3: Transport

RESULTS

A vast majority of participants were focused on **public and active travel** topics (59%), and in contrast, only a few concentrated on car-centric future development. Frequency of **public transport** was raised. 14% of comments related specifically **to safely accessing State Highway 6**, and many bike-focused commentary centred around the need for **cycle trails** to avoid the highway. Five comments expressed interest in a **ferry service**.

TOPIC / CATEGORY	FREQUENCY
Active travel	••••••
Bus/public transport	••••••
Highway safety	0000000
Ferry	••••
Recreational trails	••••
Bridge	•••
Other	
Parking	•••
Pro car	
Transport results.	

Topic 4: Social

RESULTS

Participants applied a fairly wide interpretation of 'social' infrastructure, with the majority of feedback focusing on **open space and parks**. "Ecological", "open" and "recreation" were the top descriptors used. Another key area was **access**, applied to the waterfront at Homestead Bay as well as existing trails which may not currently be part of a public network. **Playgrounds, gyms and community centres** were also mentioned, and one group in attendance highlighted the area as a key destination for windsurfing and wind sport enthusiasts.

TOPIC / CATEGORY	FREQUENCY
Open space	•••••
Other	•••••
Water access	•••••
Community centre	••••
Recreation space	00000
Access	••••
Gym	•••
Playground	•••
Ecological spaces	••••
Pool	••
School	
Library	
Social results.	

Online feedback: December 2023 – January 2024

We offered a range of online feedback options similar to activity one and activity two using Council's engagement platform – Let's Talk for members of the community who may have missed one of the drop-in sessions and wished to provide their insight into development opportunities at Te Tapuae Southern Corridor.

ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY ONE

We received 110 votes online for what was most important to people in Te Tapuae Southern Corridor, with **active travel trails** clearly preferred by the most participants (51%).

Please note: Participants were only able to vote for one option when taking the poll as the online option lacked functionality to set people a maximum of three choices.

TOPIC / CATEGORY	FREQUENCY
Active travel trails	•••••••••••••••
Community facilities	••••••
Ecological features	••••••
Education facilities	•
Health facilities	•••••
Housing choice	•
Lakeside amenities	
Neighbourhood amenities	•••
Public transport	••••••
Retail/commercial areas	••••••
Online results – activity one	

ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY TWO

We received 27 comments on the four key topics of future development and 17 votes, with social infrastructure proving to be the most popular topic (9 comments), and a basic postal delivery service for the area supported the most. Other popular comments included safe trails for walking and cycling to Frankton, a speed restriction on State Highway 6 between Hanley's Farm and Jack's Point, future proofing the road network and preserving the area's natural beauty.

