



OPEN MEETING

4th July 2017

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1. Welcome & Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Update on survey (Adam)
3. Update on Hawthorns consultation (Simon & Roger)
4. Update on new play area (Mitch)
5. Developing the Common Strategic Plan (Mitch & Adam)
6. Activities & Resources (Adam)



SCF Priorities & Activities

	Richer Engagement	Common Plan	Operating Model
Common Survey	X	X	X
Hawthorns Consultation	X	X	
SCC	X	X	X
Universities	X		
Lovers Walk	X		
Website/Facebook/ Twitter/email	X		



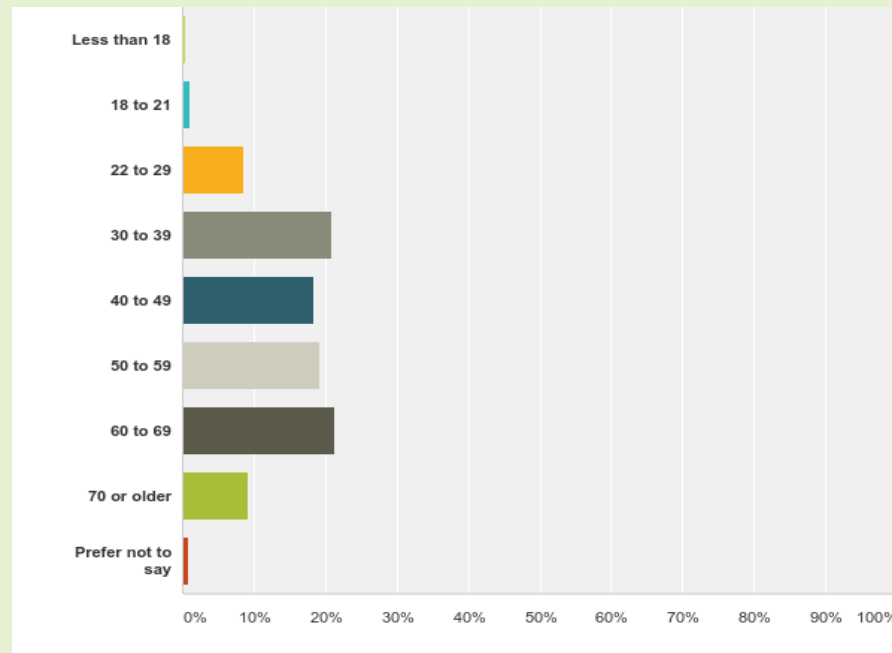
2. Update Common Survey 2017

- Previous survey in 1977 by The City of Southampton Society - 503 respondents.
- Purposes of the SCF Survey 2017:
 1. Identify public's key issues to inform plan and operating model in partnership with SCC.
 - Opinions about the management and the future of The Common.
 - Basic information about how The Common is currently used.
 2. Raise the profile and engagement of the public with Southampton Common Forum.



Emerging Results

- Launched May 2017; Over 1,000 respondents in first four weeks (Currently 1150 & rising)
- SCF subscribers have increased to c. 500
- Age distribution:





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SCF survey respondees

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SCF survey respondees
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Uniform style
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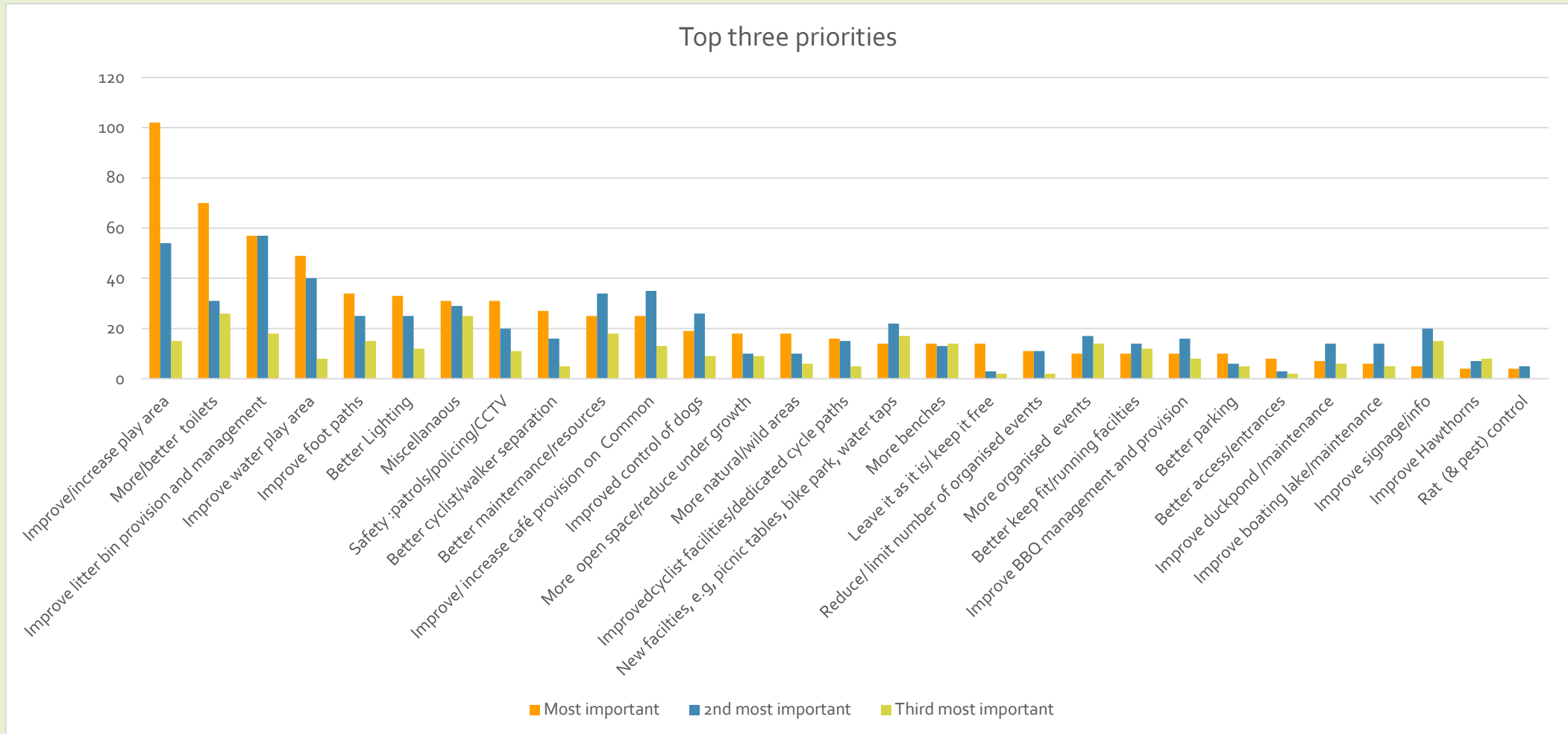
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Top Priorities:



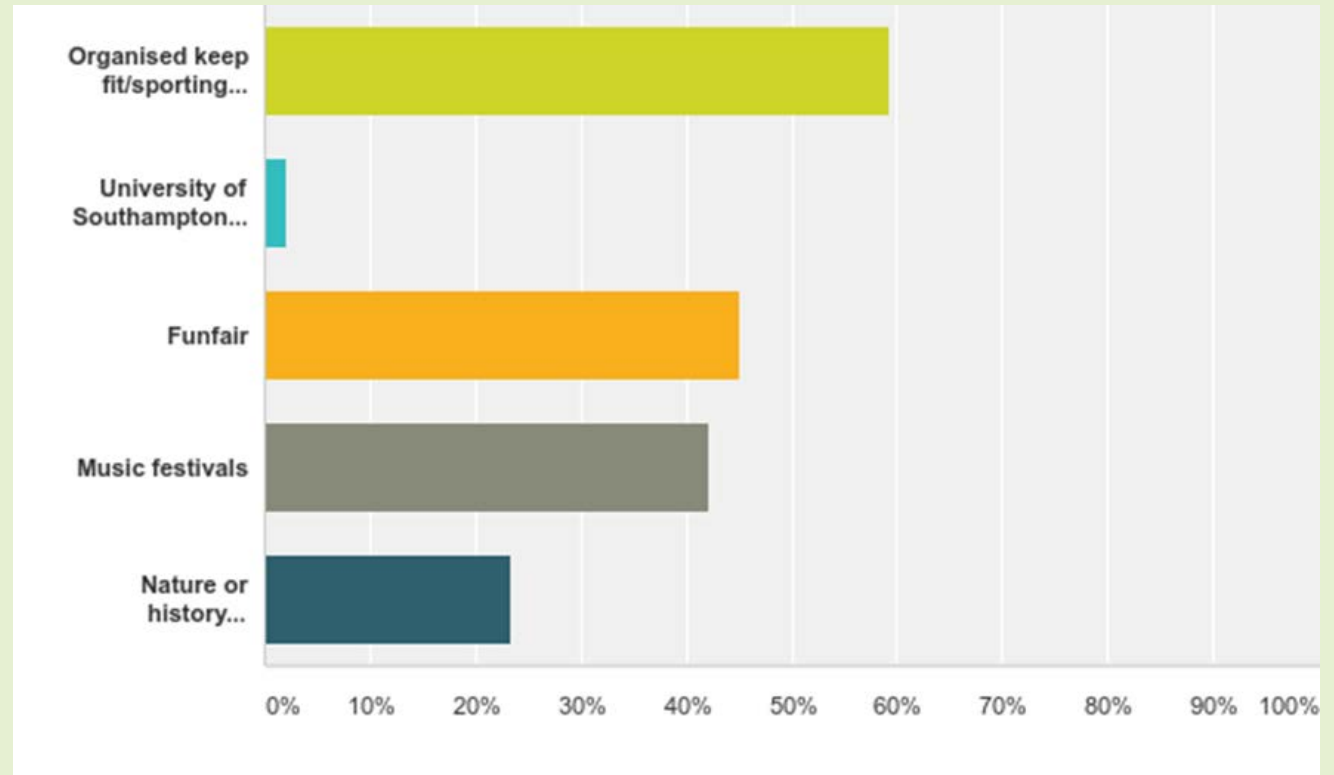
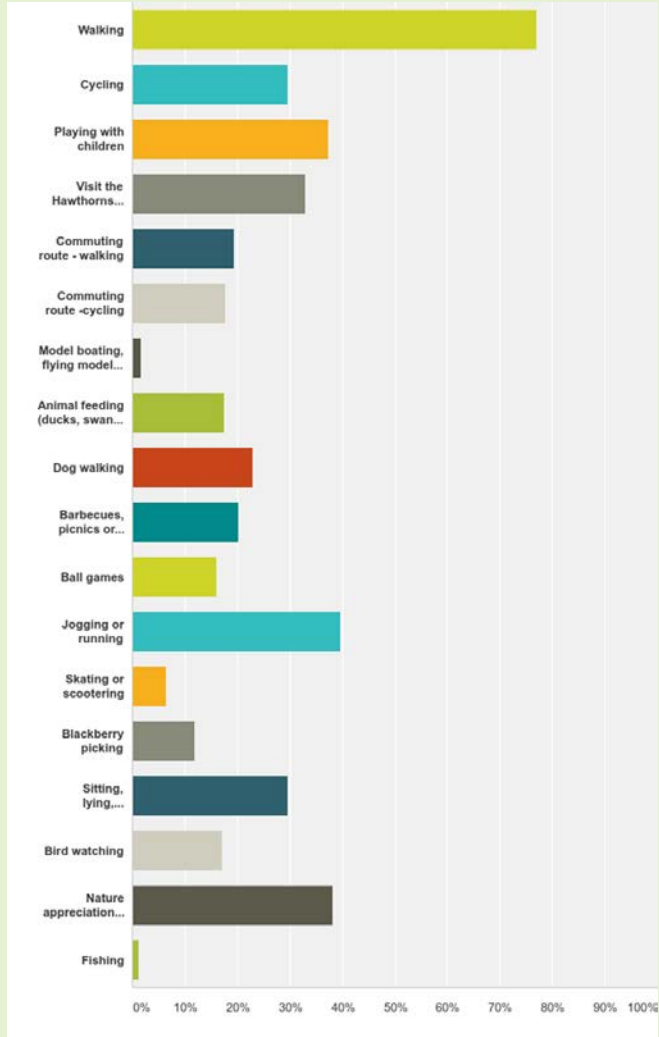


Survey Issues:

- Focus on:
 - Under 21's
 - BME communities
- How can we reach these groups more effectively?



Activities:



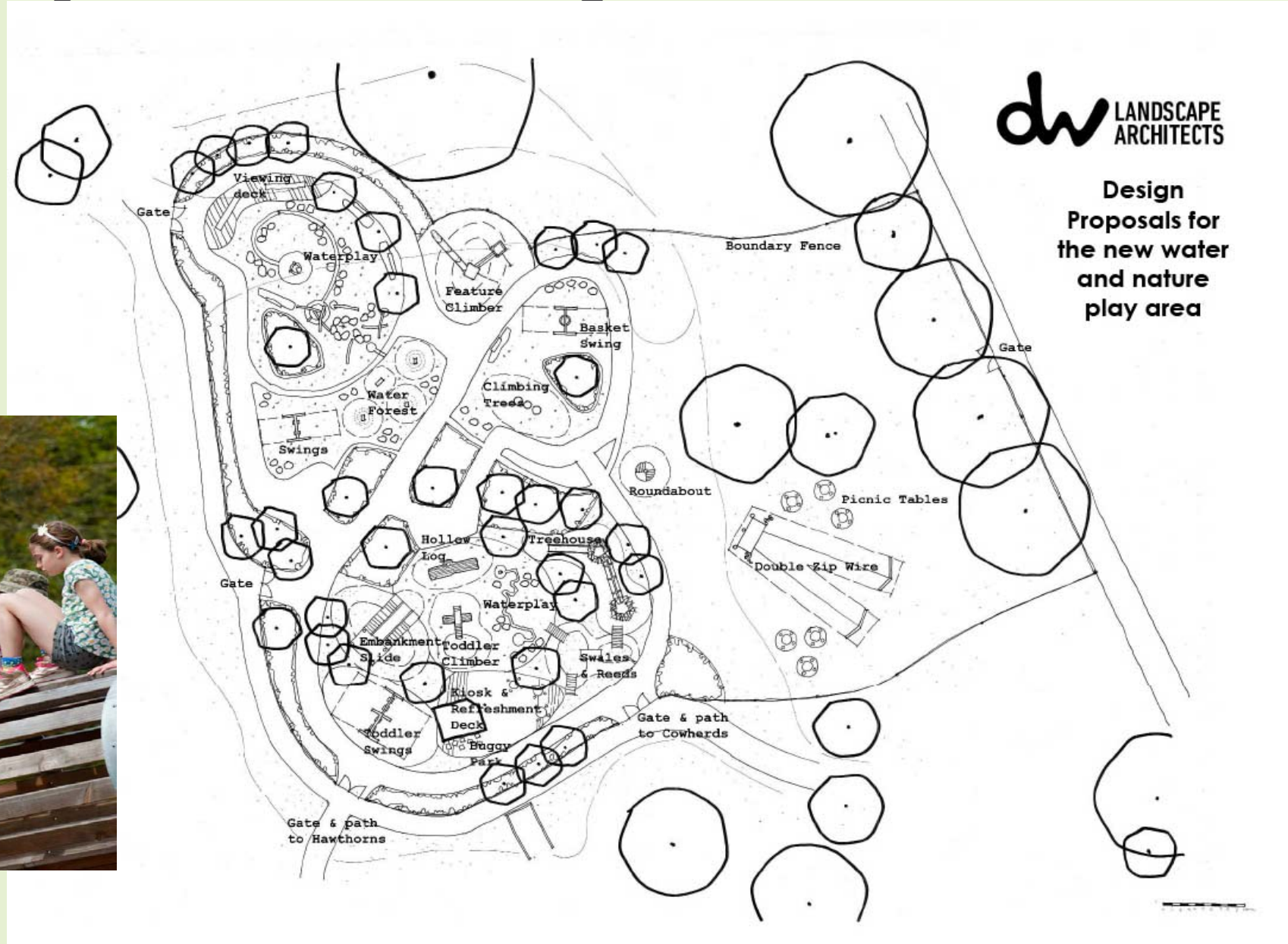


3. Hawthorns Consultation

- Simon Hill & Roger Brown



4. New play area: coming soon...





5. A Strategic Plan for The Common

- A New Plan to be developed;
- Southampton City Council to lead with SCF support;
- Joint Council/SCF Working Group (2017 Survey will be a key input);
- Wide Engagement and Consultation;
- Operating Model to be reviewed;
- Phased approach to be completed by July 2018.



Outline idea of a Strategic Plan

- **Management**
 - Overall aims, objectives and guiding principles;
- **Recreation**
 - Activities, Dog/Walking, Cycling, Sports, Play;
- **Events**
 - Major Festivals, 10k/Charity runs, Parkrun, Military Fitness, Fayres, Fun Fayres;
- **Wildlife**
 - SSSI, Protected species, Flora & Fauna, Habitats Management, Higher level stewardship, Conservation areas;
- **Health and Well Being**
 - Quiet contemplation, Secluded areas, Cycle/Running tracks - distance markers.



Group Exercise

At your tables:

Identify:

- Users and their activities
- Resources on the Common

- Case study:
 - Focus on one activity and consider the resources it requires and the associated issues.



6. Activities & Resources

- Survey & plan are our top priorities.
- We have a range of ideas for other things, e.g.
 - Photo competition
 - Treasure hunt
 - Map/app for The Common
 - Film of The Common
 - Historical archive of The Common
- We need resources to maintain and build our activities.
- **Without them we will fail!**



How can you help?

- Please consider donating at least £5 to SCF - details available from Shirley Pinn.
- Please donate your time, energy and expertise if you can:
 - Hawthorns facelift working party
 - Working parties on Common/Plan work
 - New initiatives
 - Management Committee
- Register your interest on the sign up sheet and also to talk to Committee members.



Making a donation

Donations to SCF may be made by online banking to:

Southampton Common Forum

Sort Code: 60-20-03

Account number 34669574

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Or can be handed to any SCF committee member.