



NEW HOMES AT HILLSIDE FARM, DUFFTOWN

FEEDBACK NEWSLETTER CONSULTATION 02

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The purpose of this Feedback newsletter is to capture the feedback shared and diversity of views and topics covered at the community event held on Wednesday 6th December in the Royal British Legion Hall, Dufftown. The feedback form also summarise feedback submitted after the event via the digital and print feedback form.

All of the information and opinions gathered are incredibly useful to the Design Team as we continue to develop this new strategy for housing at Hillside Farm.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for sharing your insight, thoughts and concerns regarding new homes at Hillside Farm Dufftown.

For up to date information regarding the Development is available to view online at

www.moray.gov.uk/hillsidefarm

If you have any questions at any point you can also contact us at engage@collectivearchitecture.co.uk

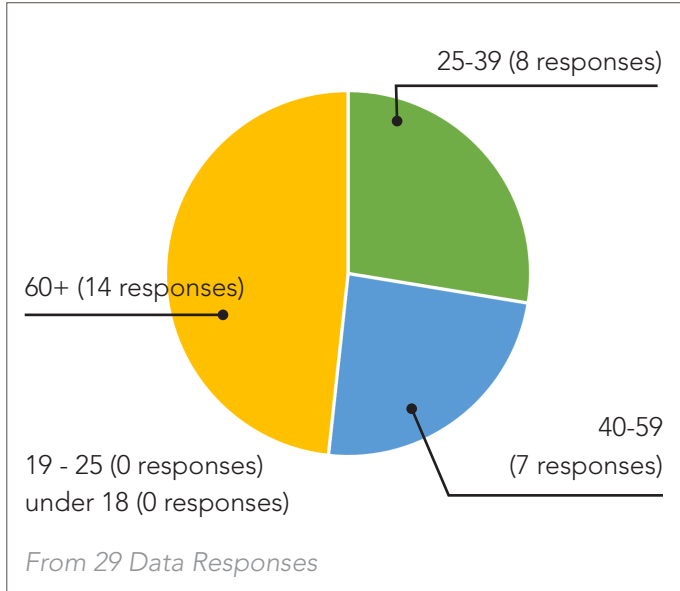


Photos from Consultation Event 02

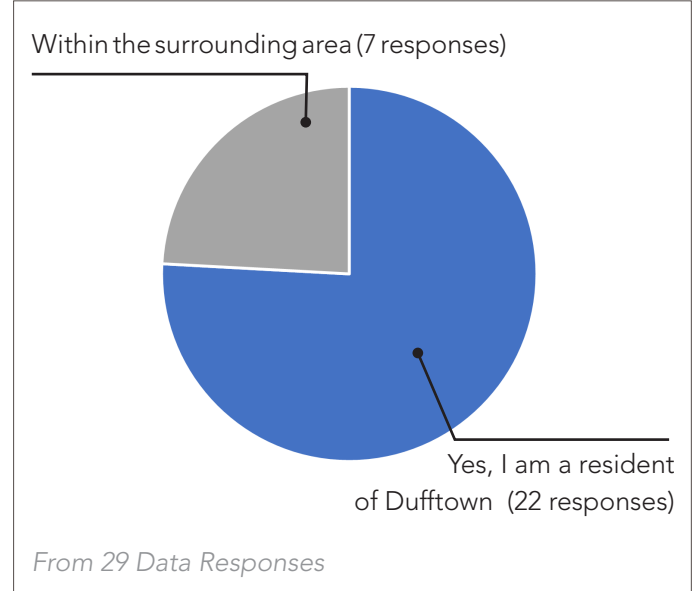
Who gave feedback?

These pie charts are created from the written and typed feedback responses and the sign in sheet at the event. The sign in sheet was not filled out by every attendee so this only provides an idea of the consultation demographic and those responding to the feedback form. The majority of responses were from 60+ Dufftown residents.

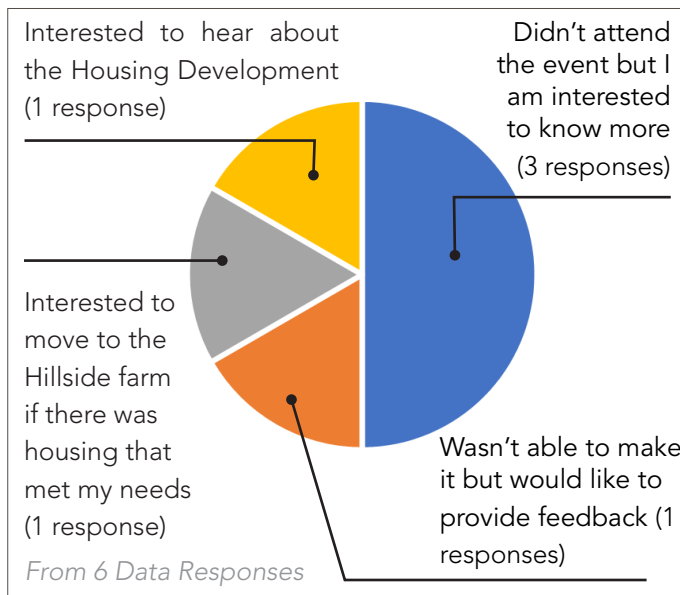
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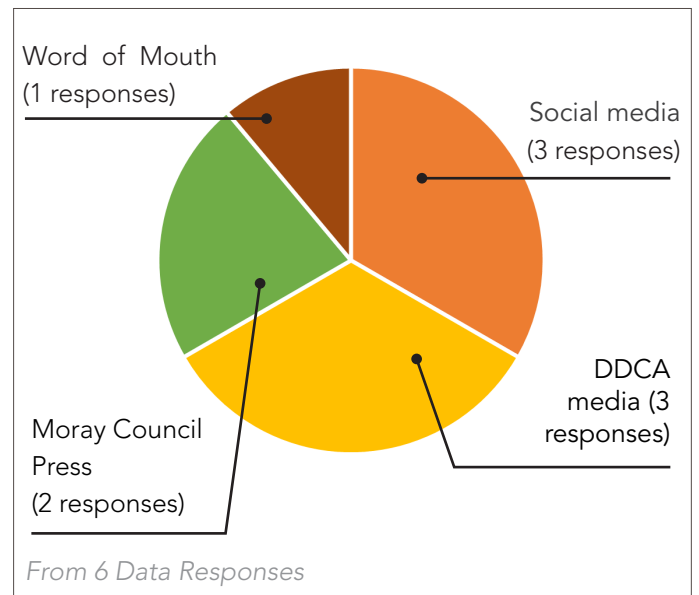
Where do you live?



What brought you to the event?



How did you hear about this event?



Qualitative Feedback at a Glance

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What do you think about the proposed layout?



The site will only be developed if the current sewage network has the appropriate capacity and or undergoes the appropriate upgrades.

- People were keen to hear more about the specific tenures that would be available at Hillside Farm.

This has not yet been confirmed and will be at the discretion of Moray Council and DDCA with input from CHT. It is highly likely to entail a combination of tenures from DDCA and council housing for MC.

- There was a desire for providing housing for young families (3/4 bedrooms), particularly locals who are looking to upsize and potentially buy as opposed to renting.

- Some locals expressed disinclination of the amount of new houses proposed and the potential impact it may have on the town.

The housing need for this strategy has been evidenced by both of the client partners, additionally Moray Council has advised that the local school has capacity for new students. It is acknowledged that there have not been a significant number of homes delivered in Dufftown for quite some time, local apprehension is to be expected. New homes often invigorate the demand for key services.

- Locals were keen to see early years learning provision alongside new homes, eg. outdoor nursery.

- Some individuals at the event or family members were interested in moving to Hillside Farm if there were options that suited their needs.

- The proposed design itself was generally well received.

- The use of shared surfaces with farm traffic on Hill Street was highlighted as a concern, especially regarding pedestrian safety and large vehicles moving.

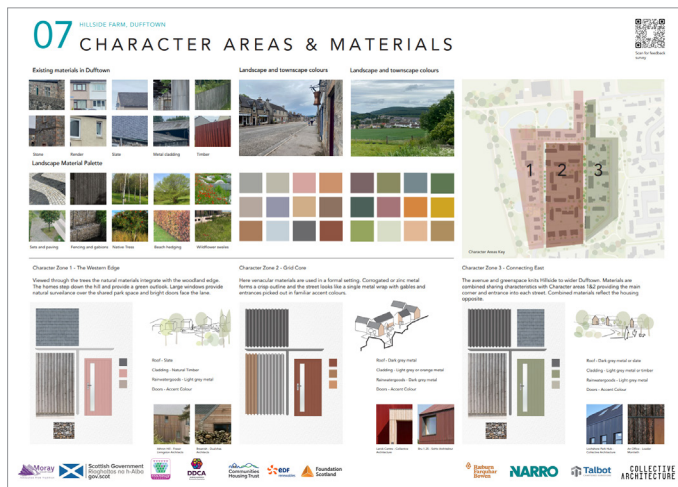
Street signage, speeds and materials will be considered to make this a safe environment.

- As was pointed out during the previous consultation, the current sewage management in Dufftown needs improvement.

Qualitative Feedback at a Glance

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What do you think about the material palette and character zones?



- The material palettes and character zones were mainly supported, notably for its **variety** and **accordance with the landscape**.

Other things we learned in conversation:

- Historically there was a pond within the tree cluster on the market green.
- Individuals discussed local park examples they thought worked well; eg. Burnside Road Park in Fochabers, providing play spaces for different ages as well as adjoining seating, public toilets and core walking paths.

How could a Mobility Hub benefit your community?

- There was not much enthusiasm at the prospect of a Mobility Hub due to a lack of experience in using them at present.

The design team explained that this could assist local people in having greater access to sustainable travel options.

- The location of the hub was questioned if it should be closer to the centre of new housing, however its current placement was designed to connect both new and old housing neighbourhoods.

Space for a Mobility Hub?



What would be useful in a Dufftown Mobility hub?

A mobility hub is a recognisable place which offers different and connected transport modes supplemented with enhanced facilities and information features to both attract and benefit the traveller. A hub aims to locate public and shared mobility modes, eg bike, e-car, reduce reliance on private cars and improve the surrounding public realm, create clear travel signage and identifying features that make it accessible to all.

Uses may include a shelter, an ebike stand, co-car, wifi, bike fixing station, parcel lockers, kiosks, water fountain, cafe, co-work space, place for a dial up bus.