

Herefordshire Town Centre and Retail Assessment

Stakeholder Consultation Questions

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Introduction

- On behalf of Herefordshire Council, Nexus Planning have been appointed to prepare a new Town Centre and Retail Assessment to help shape future planning policies and strategies for the centres in the authority areas.
- As part of this process, we have been asked to speak to key stakeholders in the County to understand their thoughts on the existing strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats facing the centres of Hereford, Ledbury, Leominster, Ross-on-Wye, Bromyard and Kington. Suggestions relating to potential improvements, barriers to investment, development opportunities and operator requirements are particularly appreciated, although we are interested to hear any thoughts around the future of retail and leisure in the County. Comments received will be considered individually and will assist the project team in preparing the Town Centre and Retail Assessment.
- All responses will be treated in the strictest confidence, and no information on individual views will be released.
- By providing us with this information, you will help the Council shape its redevelopment and planning policies to foster growth and prosperity within the retail and leisure sectors.

Questions

1. Please could you confirm in which of the following town or local service centres you have an interest and would like to provide comments?

Hereford/Ledbury/Leominster/Ross-on-Wye/Bromyard/Kington

2. What do you consider the existing strengths of the town mentioned at Question 1 are? (If providing comments for more than one centre, please indicate which centre your comments relate to).

3. What do you consider the existing weaknesses of the town centre mentioned at Question 1 are? (If providing comments for more than one centre, please indicate which centre your comments relate to).

4. What do you consider the existing opportunities facing the town centre mentioned at Question 1 are? (If providing comments for more than one centre, please indicate which centre your comments relate to).

5. What do you consider the existing threats facing the town centre mentioned at Question 1 are? (If providing comments for more than one centre, please indicate which centre your comments relate to).

6. Please provide any suggestions you have for improvements which could be made to the town centre mentioned at Question 1? (If providing comments for more than one centre, please indicate which centre your comments relate to).

7. Are you aware of any current proposals/initiatives which you believe will improve/address any perceived weaknesses of the town centre mentioned at Question 1?

8. Do you consider there are any barriers to investment in the town centre mentioned at Question 1? (If providing comments for more than one centre, please indicate which centre your comments relate to).

9. Are you aware of any land or buildings within the town centre mentioned at Question 1 which would benefit from redevelopment, or would provide an opportunity for the expansion of the centre? (If providing comments for more than one centre, please indicate which centre your comments relate to).

- 10. Are you aware of any retail or leisure operators who are seeking to locate within the town centre mentioned at Question 1?

- 11. Do you have any other comments or ideas you would like to share?
