

Clifden Regeneration Survey

Connemara Chamber of Commerce



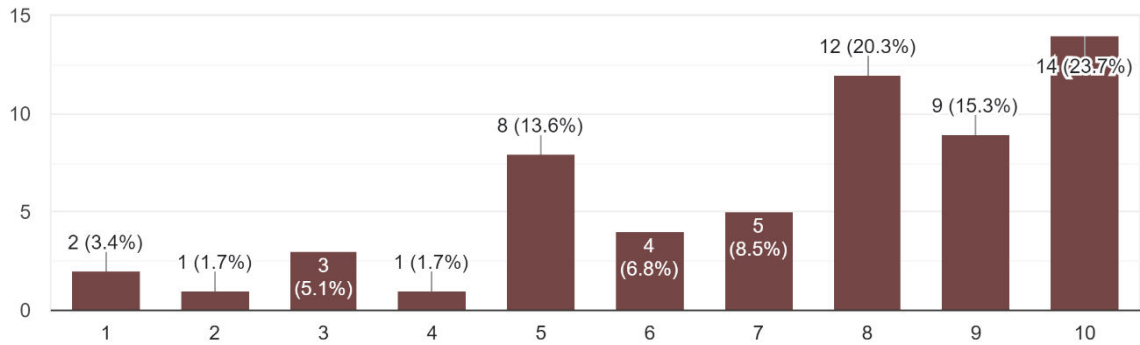
Summary findings

- I am happy with the amount of information being provided on the changes to Clifden Town Centre
[25% disagree | **75% agree**]
- I am happy with the amount of information being provided on the changes to car parking in Clifden
[**59% disagree** | 41% agree]
- The proper balance between car, pedestrian and bike usage has been struck
[**97% disagree** | 3% agree]

I am concerned with the proposed changes for car parking in Clifden
[27% disagree | **73% agree**]

- I would like to get more detail on the Clifden Town Centre plans
[15% disagree | **85% agree**]
- I am happy with the proposed plans for the Clifden Town Centre
[**80% disagree** 20% agree]
- I am happy with the proposed plans for the Beach Road Quay area
[24% disagree | **76% agree**]
- I am happy with the proposed plans for the Harbour Park area
[32% disagree | **68% agree**]

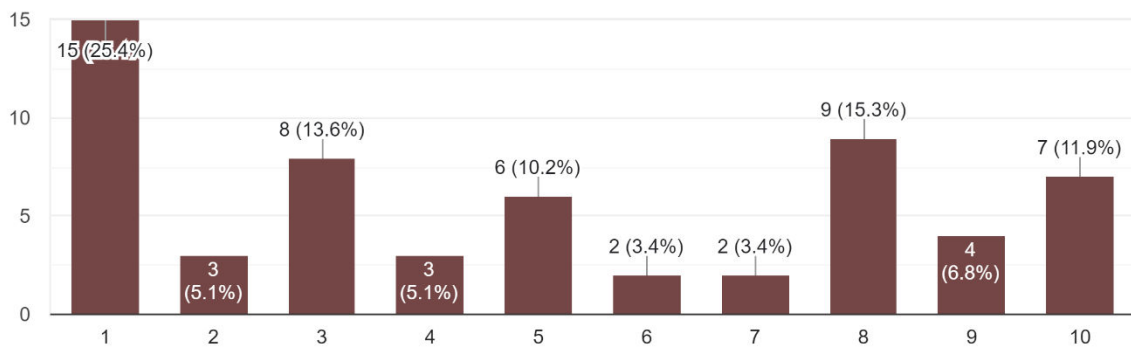
I am happy with the amount of information being provided on the changes to Clifden Town Centre
59 responses



Scale of questions 1 (strongly disagree) to 10 (strongly agree)

25% disagree | 75% agree

I am happy with the amount of information being provided on the changes to car parking in Clifden
59 responses

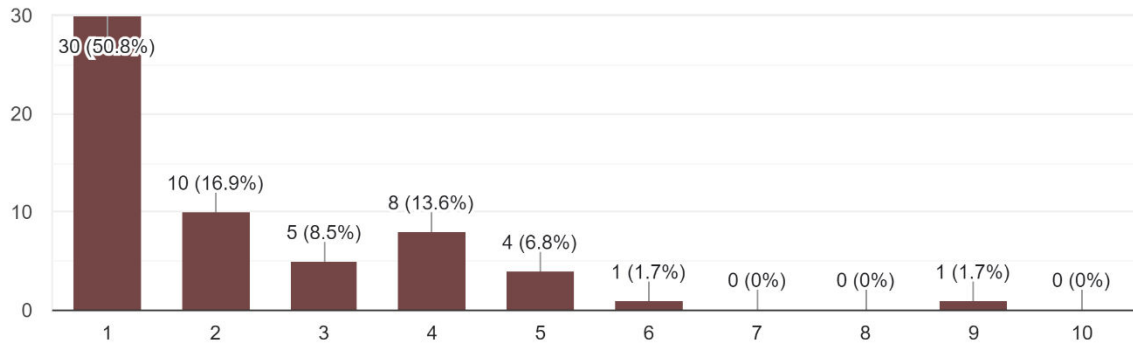


Scale of questions 1 (strongly disagree) to 10 (strongly agree)

59% disagree | 41% agree

The proper balance between car, pedestrian and bike usage has been struck

59 responses

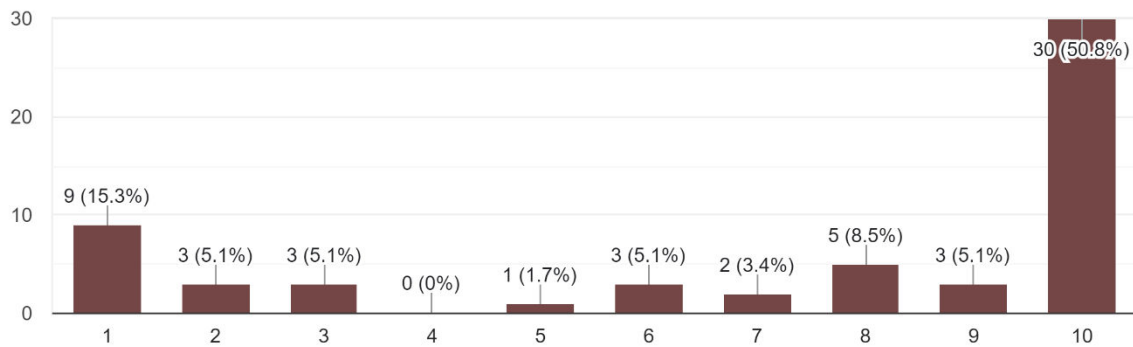


Scale of questions 1 (strongly disagree) to 10 (strongly agree)

97% disagree | 3% agree

I am concerned with the proposed changes for car parking in Clifden

59 responses

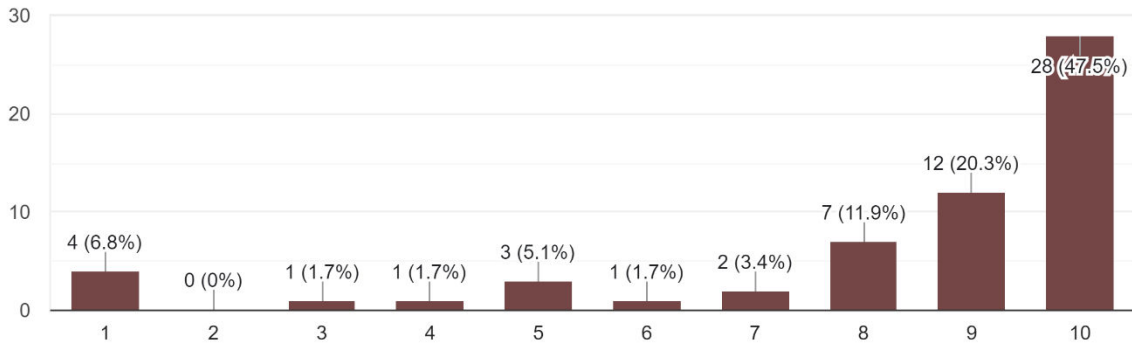


Scale of questions 1 (strongly disagree) to 10 (strongly agree)

27% disagree | 73% agree

I would like to get more detail on the Clifden Town Centre plans

59 responses

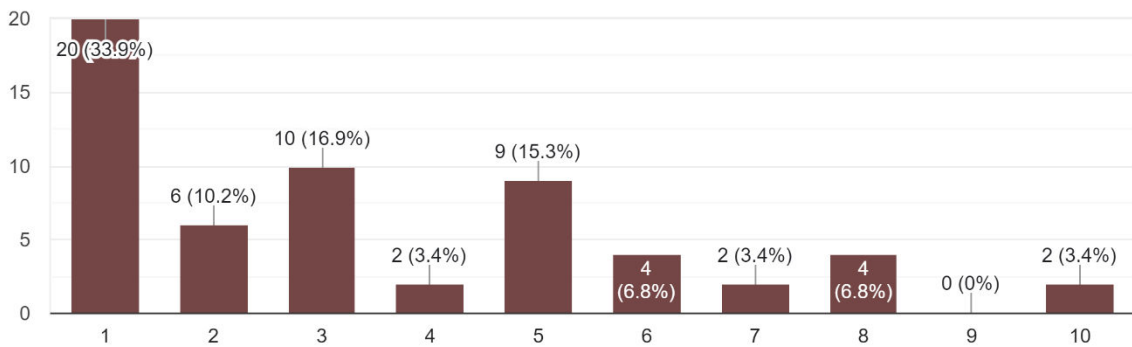


Scale of questions 1 (strongly disagree) to 10 (strongly agree)

15% disagree | 85% agree

I am happy with the proposed plans for the Clifden Town Centre

59 responses



Scale of questions 1 (strongly disagree) to 10 (strongly agree)

80% disagree | 20% agree

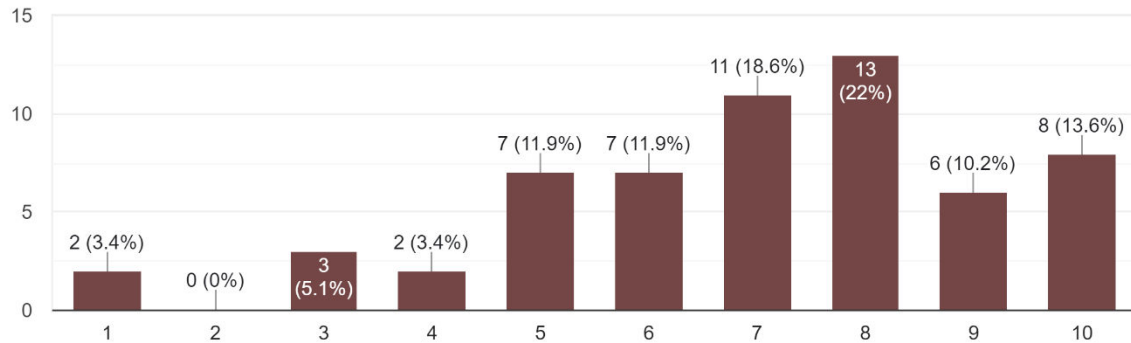
Comments on Clifden Town Centre Plans

- include loading bays
- Pedestrian side - sunlight needs to be considered
- more parking not less
- need to keep same no. of car spaces, more parking enforcement, 5,15 & 30mins car parking spaces, more disabled bays and prescription pick up
- retain current car spaces, no need for cycle lane
- crazy

- Logistics need to be reconsidered, look at what businesses need parking etc
- The Friday market should be included & expanded
- Can't get rid of resident parking spaces want it to be prettier? more native greenery
- parking need to be provided first
- replace car parking that has been taken out of town
- Alternative parking needs to be provided prior/ seasonal implantation should be considered
- more consideration on the use of the town for 12 months of the year
- negative about parking changes
- have to keep carparking
- Businesses who have outdoor dining should be compelled to remove them when the weather is bad
- no alternative car parking
- proposal around car parking is inadequate
- We need to provide multi-storey parking to accommodate the same or more cars then them being removed
- Agree with increased pedestrianisation but replacement parking required
- more parking needed - multi storey. better signage to carpark & station house square repair SuperValu carpark cladding
- Maybe a problem with emptying of town centre still needs to be kept active in winter time
- no cycle path needed in town, more parking not less is needed - an option to access seaview Beach road from Sky road i.e turning right at the bottom of churchill
- largely very positive
- no need for cycleway in town. Ability to turn right at Alcock and Brown is needed as per John Ryan comment
- Seasonal & off season balance required locals mustn't loose access to essential services but we do need to step forward with summer tourist beautification
- positive on overall plans
- Positive points - spillout areas for cafe - reducing the car dominance - more pedestrian friendly
Negative points - no alternative parking plan
- Clifden should be convenient & accessible to all - less parking will negatively impact businesses
- Reducing car parks is a suicide for local business and will reduce tourism. Multi-storey or underground parking building would be an option to consider
- Bridge street car parking cannot be removed
- Still too many cars need multi-storey car park/s
- Car-Centre planning is out model & change challenging however future proofing & being up to date, is vital. There is massive R&D data from Europe on this topic
- multi storey carpark and plan one for the town will work
- The issue of parking is the problem, Bridge st, AIB access pinch point bus/truck
- not enough concepts, no loading and delivery consideration, no thoughts of short parking needs

I am happy with the proposed plans for the Beach Road Quay area

59 responses



Scale of questions 1 (strongly disagree) to 10 (strongly agree)

24% disagree | **76% agree**

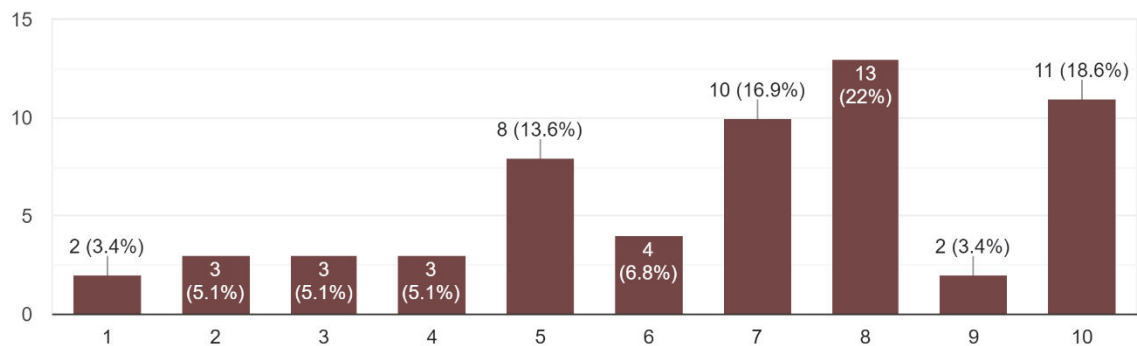
Comments on Beach Road Quay area plans

- keep asphalt
- space needed for campervans & general parking in summer months particularly quay needs dredging
- taking for too long badly needed doing
- Rubbish bins need to be provided
- Skate park is vital for older children enclosed safe area for smaller children. Oughterard have struck a balance with their park something would be great
- asphalt is way to go
- improve the Clifden bay water area
- no paving stones
- Consideration needs to be given to retain boats in the harbour
- asphalt paving
- more input on the asset that is the bay coming into the quay
- generally happy
- This area needs many bins general waste & recycling
- no gated children area no AstroTurf pitch
- Clean out Quay
- nice but more useable for boat owners/users. a marina in Clifden Harbour would bring the town to a new level
- will work - again with consultation
- tarmac road, paving on quay side
- looks fantastic
- Need to develop in conjunction with bay / marina area

- This is a papering of the cradles, water itself needs excavation, long standing functional rejuvenation needed
- asphalt road finish safe pavement area for walkers more boat friendly
- mooring facilities for boats need to be improved, it is a quay after all
- concern would be flood
- Simple green space with new raised playground running track
- Biodiversity was not mentioned at all native planting vital & a plan to clean up basin area needed
- Anything is better than what is there
- more bins
- dredge the pier
- marine dredging needed

I am happy with the proposed plans for the Harbour Park area

59 responses



Scale of questions 1 (strongly disagree) to 10 (strongly agree)

32% disagree | **68% agree**

Comments on Harbour park area plans

- retain playground
- I think it is essential that we include space for shared garden allotments
- proper running track
- public shared space market area
- good
- more parking, community garden, campervan area should be considered
- Improve the bay - dredge it before the Harbour park / beach road quay
- Active/sports area, plus amphitheatre would be ideal, native greenery
- just to mention the playground & pitch with park area
- needs to include soccer pitch & enclosed playground. No sand due to rats/animal faeces
- Retain playground area
- option 3

- it would be great if the harbour park also included the use of the bay. The water being a huge asset to the town
- harbour bay itself need clean
- running track and covered stage area
- Whatever plan is put in this area needs to be maintained after it is complete, not left to rot and become overgrown
- The options are too conceptual and many details seem impractical
- Don't forget the kids and their families include more parking
- needs retention of play area and pitch, watch out for tidal flooding
- more parking for car and particularly R.V / caravans
- looks great, couple of good suggestions from session
- safer boating
- Playground must not go! Park unnecessary, could end up as 13 yo drinking spot
- children playground very important, dog park - enclosed area for dogs to play and socialise
- drege harbour
- storm / flood defences essential
- Biodiversity needs to be addressed, theatre space vital, GAA can provide running track
- fitness & play
- need to retain existing playground
- maintenance is a concern
- rock armour flooding protection needed at site
- focus should be on the communities every day use, not potential one off events

Any final comments on any aspect of these plans for Clifden?

- too early to submit to bord pleana, rework the options
- multi-storey car park
- Thank you for invitation, would have been nice to learn of timeline of projects and decision making process
- Retain Alcock and Brown statue on square
- Overall the plans are really good, I think the town centre plans need to be looked over
- enhance existing parking especially at AIB ban with electric charges
- Could the bus park be utilised for camper van parking & services
- Hopeful and excited but please make sure the plant/trees/flowers are native. Thank you
- Great work
- It would be great to be able to access the beach road from the sky road without going around the town. Thank you
- generally positive other than parking
- reduce litter! more bins everywhere
- needs concept and aim revisited
- Overall positive!! But address alternative parking first and no parallel parking
- Not sufficiently developed for proper consideration
- Back of town over looking bay must be aesthetically improved
- Footpath to boat club
- Improve the town is not about taking things away(like parking - adding in)
- Definitely no reduction in car park spaces until alternative usable spaces provided
- keep consulting

- Would like to see the Alock and Brown statue remain on square
- generally excellent, excluding parking issue
- parking
- This is hopefully a very early concept but a great opp here and a seemingly united front
- very positive plans for the town
- Hopefully all the good points in the plan will not be lost over the continuing parking uses in town. Multi-storey parking behind AIB first
- Great to see focus on Clifden
- Waste management has not been discussed, need t be more bins placed around the town
- parking wider spaces combination of reverse/drive in no bike lane signage to tell cars to let cars out
- good to see the information need more detail on the final plan
- We need to research successful regeneration plans in other countries to be ahead of the curve not behind it or playing catch-up
- wider spaces on the quay side of the streets
- Further discussion needed on parking spaces
- more signage and information for tourists in town centre needed