

Wythenshawe Town Centre

Stage One Consultation Feedback Summary
October 2025

Introduction.

We know how important it is to grow Wythenshawe with the community. That's why we've been out over the last few months hearing what you want to see in your town centre.

Thank you to everyone who got involved!

Here's a summary of all the feedback we have received.



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Key Themes

More activities for all

A cinema and theatre, indoor and outdoor play spaces, a bowling alley and arcade, live music and stage spaces and more for young people to do.

A more welcoming and more accessible town

Better accessibility and disability access. Improved lighting, safer parking and safe spaces for youths and families to go.

Food, drink and nightlife

Food halls and markets, more places to go to eat and drink in the evening, a good pub with food, something to appeal to different cultures, more healthy options and local produce.

New shops

More independent and boutique shops. Clothes shops for all ages and another supermarket to rival Asda.

A mix of homes

A range of housing types, with genuinely affordable homes and social housing for local people, along with improved infrastructure.

Community space

Evening classes, community hubs and spaces where people can learn new skills and access information.

Workspace that works

Affordable hot-desking and co-working space with low rent options for start-ups and SMEs.

What do you use Civic for?

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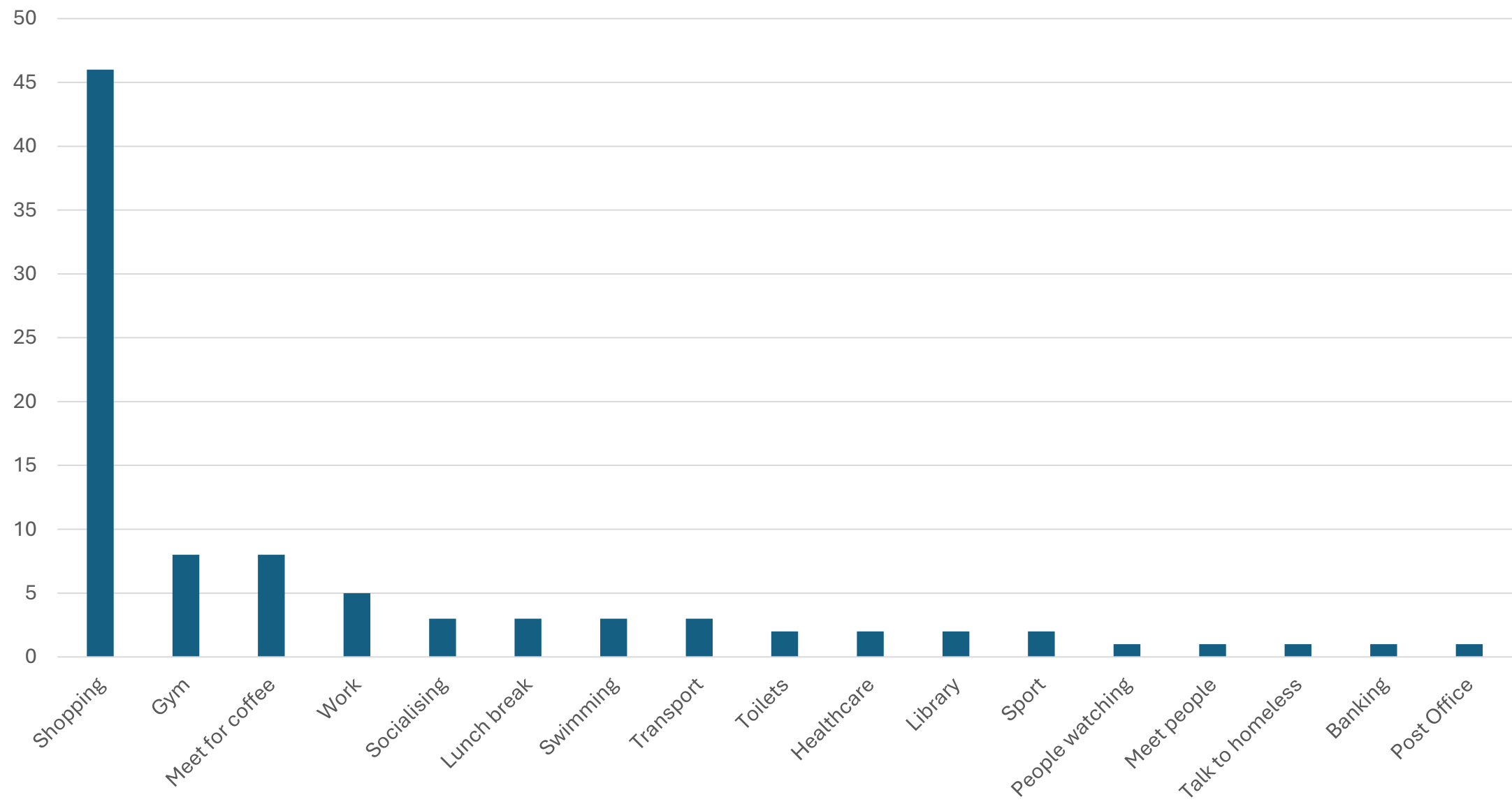


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What other types of shops and community spaces would you like to see at Civic?

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**Better shops - More independent/
boutique shops. Clothes shops and
another supermarket to rival Asda.**

- Clothes shops (13)
- Independent/boutique shops (11)
- High-end stores (6)
- More/a variety of shops (6)
- Supermarket (4)
- Market (4)
- Affordable options (3)
- Craft shops (2)
- Music shops (2)
- Charity shops (2)
- Home wear shops (1)
- Bookshop (1)
- Dry Cleaners (1)
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- start ups to share shop premises at affordable rates (1)
- Local brands (1)

**A variety of places to eat and drink –
more cafés, restaurants &
independent food outlets.**

- Food halls and markets (9)
- More cafés and coffee shops (9)
- Restaurants (9)
- Fresh fruit and veg (5)
- Healthy food options (4)
- Late bars/restaurants (3)
- Butchers (2)
- Bakers (2)
- Cocktail bar (1)
- More variety in the evening (1)

**Leisure & entertainment – more social
spaces for young people and families to
spend time.**

- Community hubs & youth spaces (10)
- Cinema and theatre (8)
- Indoor/outdoor play spaces for children and youths (6)
- Arcade & mini golf (4)
- Bowling alley (3)
- Outdoor sports and gym classes (3)
- Live music and stage spaces (2)
- Accessible & inclusive space (2)
- Green spaces and flowers (2)
- Gaming (1)
- Lesure (1)
- Indoor Sport (1)

What would you like to see in the Culture Hub?

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Art Cinema Music Museum Pool Theatre Reading corner Safe place Children's activities More shops Recording studio Local history archives Activities for all New creatives Performance Observatory Community Art Music Cinema

What things would make you want to visit more in the evening?

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Leisure & entertainment – more places open later in the evening.

- Cinema (15)
- Theatre and concert space (8)
- Events / social hub (8)
- Arcades and family friendly games/entertainment (7)
- Entertainment/live music (7)
- Bowling alley (4)
- Gym open late (2)
- Shops open late (2)
- Sports space (2)
- Dance space (1)
- Evening classes (1)
- Special 'installations' or events similar to what they do in Media City (1)
- Bring back Bounce'N'Bop in the Forum (1)

More places to eat and drink – open later.

- Restaurants (24)
- Bars and pubs (14)
- Family friendly spaces (4)
- Late-night cafes and community spaces (3)
- Food events (1)
- Independent food/drink options (1)
- Cheaper Food (1)
- Fresh food (1)
- Dry Bar (1)
- Sober things to do (1)

Improved safety and security in the town later at night.

- Making it safe (11)
- Security (7)
- Lighting (6)
- Safe parking (2)
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- Safe spaces for youth (1)
- Night tram (1)



What would you like to see in the new workspaces?

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Affordable, accessible space where people can collaborate.

- Affordable hot-desking & co-working (10)
- Core amenities (Wi-Fi, air con etc) (6)
- Event/meeting rooms (4)
- Low rent for start-ups and SMEs (3)
- Office space (3)
- Accessibly for the disabled (2)
- Quiet workspace (1)
- Look at Studios in Oldham (1853) (1)

More sustainable, practical space with places to go during breaks.

- Green areas / sustainability (3)
- Coffee shop (3)
- Gym (2)
- Library (2)
- Bank branch (1)
- Phone store (1)
- Bike storage (1)

Somewhere with training, learning and skills support.

- Practical workshops & skills development (8)
- Provide more jobs (4)
- Information resources (2)

Other.

- Attract more businesses interested in investing in Wythenshawe (1)
- Fair wages and policies for workers (1)
- An outdoor stage area to host seasonal events /fundraisers (1)



What sort of things would you like to see in the new food hall?

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A diverse range of food and drink available.

- Healthy options (12)
- Multicultural cuisines (11)
- Range of diverse food options (11)
- Affordable (8)
- Market / fresh produce (9)
- Coffee shops (3)
- Vegan (3)
- Luxury options (3)
- Cooking classes and life skills (2)
- Artisan / delicatessen (2)
- Bar (2)
- Children's options (1)

Take inspiration from other towns that are doing it well.

- Altrincham & Stockport Market (2)
- Arndale Centre's indoor market (2)
- Social spaces for eating in (2)
- Something like Gabbots Farm (1)
- Kargo at Salford Quays (1)

Local and independent.

- Support local producers & businesses (13)
- Avoid big franchises (5)

Other.

- Ensure accessibility for the disabled (1)
- Keep it open later (1)

What do you think about the plans to create a mix of homes for everyone?

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Generally supportive with a call to bring more affordable and social housing to Wythenshawe.

- Generally supportive (24)
- Diversity of housing types (flats, older person's accom, homes for families and singles) (13)
- Need for affordable housing (9)
- Need for social housing (4)
- Not for Landlords (4)
- Locals should have priority (3)
- Garden city inspired (1)
- Need to be suitable for the people of Wythenshawe (1)
- Allow people to buy them (1)
- Garden space (1)
- Priority for citizens who have worked and paid tax (1)

Infrastructure and community.

- Improved infrastructure is needed to support the new housing (12)
- Make sure people / communities are integrated (1)

Other comments

- Some concerns that homes won't be genuinely affordable (5)
- Don't do it, instead build an entertainment complex (2)
- Really bad location (2)
- Traffic & pollution worries (2)
- Keep space for shopping and leisure (1)
- Avoid over development (1)
- What does home for everyone mean?(1)
- Policed better (1)
- Brilliant if it gets the homeless off the streets (1)
- Follow the Self and Custom House Building Act 2015 (as amended by the Housing and Planning Act 2016) (1)
- concerned about lack of discussion on website over how influx of people will be managed (1)

Mini golf
 Parking for the Forum
 Supported housing
 Social housing
 Tower block
 Parking
 Integrated wildlife
 Get rid of pigeons
 Homes for people on benefits
 Bowling
 Family housing
 Playgrounds and parks
 Affordable
 Age friendly arts, music and culture
 High rise
 Accessible
 Green roofs
 Play centre
 For locals
 Sustainable
 Stop E Bikes and Scooters
 Homes for elderly (SEND)
 Homes for people with learning needs



What community benefits do you think we should focus on for Wythenshawe, and why?

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Promoting an inclusive community, providing health and support.

- Youth activities/support (11)
- Helping existing residents (6)
- Mental health (6)
- Employment opportunities (5)
- Looking after the young and vulnerable (5)
- Opportunities for unemployed/low-income families (4)
- Education (3)
- Event spaces (3)
- Healthy living (3)
- Diverse, inclusive activities (3)
- Community facilities and events operated by the community (3)
- Improve pride and identity in Wythenshawe (3)
- Mentorship & skills development (2)
- Support for everyone (2)
- Housing Group Connector event (1)
- Bring in students and professionals (1)
- Support charity (1)
- Soup kitchens (1)
- Obesity reduction (1)
- Support for local businesses (1)
- Ensure Wythenshawe is inclusive to those with higher levels of or complex needs (1)
- Support homeless (1)
- Working with WCHG, and free events, money that goes back into other areas of Wythenshawe (1)
- Offer support for the creation of new community groups (1)
- Support charity once a month would be good idea to let the space free, please consider me one of the 1st stall holder for Indian food (1)
- Bringing together different culture celebration of the voluntary sector in the areas (1)
- Helping to make people think less negatively of the area (1)
- People are proud to say they come from Wythenshawe (1)
- Whole rebrand making it an attractive place to live and visit (1)

Improved safety in the town and better infrastructure to support communities.

- Focus on safety (7)
- More infrastructure needed (2)
- support for new business (2)
- Police (2)
- Remove strain from the NHS (1)
- Investment into Wythenshawe (1)
- Clean, well-maintained spaces (1)
- Affordable housing (1)
- Help points (1)
- Crack down on ASB (1)
- Employment (1)
- COLC is still an issue so need affordable options as well as attracting people into the town as we have the tram system to contribute to the local economy (1)

Health and wellbeing

- Greenspaces (3)
- Wellbeing (2)
- Sports opportunities (2)
- Swimming pool (2)
- Gym (2)
- Healthy food options (2)
- Shops (1)
- Leisure activities (1)
- Nightlife (1)

Secure motorbike parking
Better transport links
Astronomy Club
Education
Subsidised art activities for all
Jobs for local people
A fountain
LGBTQ+
Health and social care offer
Nighttime offer
Accessible
Medical practices to cope with influx of new people
For locals
School places
Variety of green space
Connect with community groups
Language course
Food and drink
Consult with young people and families
Charging points
Keep prices affordable
Community
space

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