## Seafield

The Seafield steering group convened on 18 July and a sounding board was held on 15 August.

The master planners produced details of Stage 2 engagement comprising an inperson event at Portobello Town Hall and online over a 6-week period. Approximately 100 people attended the in-person event at Town Hall and there were 246 responses to the survey.

There was 76% agreement with 8 priorities, especially support for bus route, along with proposals regarding safety & inclusivity, links to the park and the sea, adaptive edge, sunlight on promenade. Common themes included existing business use, employment, desire for affordable housing, impact on local road and civic infrastructure, and optimum density mean.

The upshot of these events is that a draft masterplan will be put before Edinburgh Council's planning committee on 11 September 2024, with a view to seeking approval to put the draft masterplan and place brief out for consultation.

Amongst community groups, there remains a feeling that the draft is not sufficiently aspirational.

Also, Craigentinny & Meadowbank CC remains unrepresented at all levels of these discussions.

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