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## **The Active Travel Scheme Residents' and Visitors' Survey Results**

### **Questions 4 and 6 only**

**For these two questions participants could write /type any of their own thoughts and suggestions.**

**Please note that these suggestions, which were entered into the survey form, have not been edited; they are in their raw state, therefore any incorrect spelling and grammar has not been corrected. A couple of comments have been partly redacted because they mentioned people by name.**

**These suggestions and comments will be analysed in due course.**

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## ATS Resident and Visitor Survey

### 4. Please list any other relevant compromise suggestions that you have:

1. The seating areas need to be much more attractive. Who wants to sit in a car park? The planters need proper upkeep and could be sponsored and looked after by community groups. Mercer Row is not the right place for sitting!
2. The crossroad junction Grimsby Road St Mary's Lane. Cars parked at Grimsby road and High Holme Road corner are breaking The Highway Code 10 meters from junction and causing a Hazard
3. Leave pedestrian and encourage local cafes and bars to have outside seating (covered and heated where possible) to encourage all year round use for shoppers to stop and use.
4. The cornmarket should remain as pedestrian area and should have permanent shelters/gazebos for cafe culture to use. Appropriate seating that is in the style of the town to be placed in the market place for general use.
5. With more and more people developing disabilities as a result of a past COVID infection, I think the town needs to bear in mind the likelihood that disabled parking requirement is likely to increase. Going forward after the current issue is settled, it might be good to somehow 'index link' the number of disabled badges granted to local residents to the parking provision, being mindful that small changes as this number rises is going to be more useful than e.g. nothing happening for 5 years then a big review.
6. At present the Cornmarket has the look and feel of a car park being used for other activities such as eating and drinking. It isn't very welcoming to visitors as a pleasant place to sit, eat and enjoy the surroundings. Many improvements could be made: Paving setts instead of tarmac; architectural features to break the area up into zones; planting areas; sail canopies for seating in rainy weather; festoon lighting to encourage evening use.
7. Pedestrianisation
8. Move parklets for trial in Tentercroft Street Lincoln or other major vehicular thoroughfare.
9. No traffic would encourage families to shop. Very few young people seem to shop in Louth. Why? Give blue badge drivers the sole use of the town hall car park.
10. There should be a Park & Ride from/to either the livestock market area or Fairfield Industrial Estate.
11. Have first 2 rows of disabled parking available on market days. Move some of the Market stalls down cornmarket as this area is never full of stalls. just use 3 spaces near Bank for stalls. Drop of point 5min max good idea. 3 limited parking good idea IF YOU KEEP SOME PARKING SPACES ALL WEEK FOR DISABLED. But time limit them to giving more people a chance.
12. 15 minute parking slots on Mercer row, but more of them
13. In my mind there is no compromise it was all ok as it was, If it doesn't need fixing then don't try to fix it.
14. all Mercier row should be for disable parking only
15. all mercer row be disable parking
16. Louth is not a Cafe Culture type place. It is a lovely market town.
17. Every effort should be made to improve the market - after all we are a market town. A good market brings in locals and visitors - if your market dies your cafes will be empty - look what happened to Sleaford.
18. Louth is a lovely market town & deserves to remain that way, I was a resident of Louth for over 60 years & over those years there as been good & bad decisions, please for once do as the people of Louth want.
19. Make available free parking spaces in car parks within a close parking proximity to town centre (eg Queen Street, Canon Street, behind Meridian House/Town Hall, Northgate etc).
20. Permanent traditional seats, suitable for elderly use- not too low, with arm rests. Not \parklets"! \*Sheltered seats at bus stops. \*No kerbside car parking throughout town centre. \*No Car Park on the Marketplace. This area to be kept available for people. Displays
21. I think the small bricked area currently for disabled parking at the end of the Cornmarlet, where the trees have been planted, should become an area with seating and tables for our cafe culture, this would create a

town square feel and focal point for socialising. All the market stalls should be in the Cornmarket area with short stay parking free and long stay parking chargeable in the Cornmarket on other days and parking for disabled on Mercer Row.

22. Make them more attractive, they are too exposed
23. Things should revert back to allow all the people who no longer either come to town or have stopped coming in for meals, quick trips to banks etc ( and I know of many, so local businesses must have noticed the drop in customers) and then at a future date if require a meeting should be held to fairly discuss and put forward any ideas for change that can be discussed and agreed by both the people and the business owners so that all are happy. Not decided and enforced by people from outside of Louth who have no idea how this market town operates . Either work with us, or leave us alone!!! At these times of rising inflation we need our small local independent shops, not being forced out of town to take our trade to say supermarkets in Grimsby etc.
24. I feel that everything should go back to how it was and then discuss with residents/ businesses about solutions . None of which is relevant as the town worked quite fine without any interference from LLC/ ELDC
25. I would like cornmarket beautified eg paved nicely, trees planted, more sheltered cafe areas eg with heating to extend cafe culture to winter months, children's play area, etc. You could put permanent benches in the corn market too but not those ugly yellow things installed on mercer row. I would like it to be possible to park on mercer row but NOT on the narrow bit of Eastgate where Costa coffee now is. Currently people with disabled badges park on the double yellow lines there and cause major traffic jams (as buses cannot get by the parked cars the road being too narrow). That small bit of road should be no parking at any time for anyone.
26. I don't mind the idea of seating in Mercer Row but the ones installed are so ugly and not in keeping. Maybe just some benches or something else, as they have been in use almost every time I have been in town. I like the cafe culture and I would like it to be in place a bit more than spring and summer - a few weeks each side. The reinstatement of the disabled parking in Mercer Row was the correct thing to do, as people were parking further into town where the road is very narrow, causing bad congestion. Repavé Cornmarket in a more attractive style and install a small children's play area like I have seen in other towns.
27. Why not simply make the area pedestrianised at certain times of the day or at weekends? And open for use by cars at other times. The installed furniture is ridiculous. It doesn't fit with the ambience of the town and the cost is indefensible for what it is. It needs a complete rethink.
28. We need free parking if Louth is to continue to be a popular place for people to visit and shop
29. Put the parklets where they belong. On a bonfire.
30. Two options you have is (a) To provide the corner market as a disabled area only for 2 hour period (except market days) and leave 3 to 4 spaces on market days. (b) Have the parklet in corner market or have the parklets in the area where the disabled bays are or where the veg store puts and move the markets upwards there are plenty of space to use near the banks on the market days have the veg stall near the yorkshire trading area, flowers, and watch man in that area and other others can move up slightly.
31. Cafe culture will never catch on in UK. Pubs might have a chance to make it work but not these tea rooms.
32. Have free parking on 1 day a week in all carparks to attract visitors.
33. I think as much parking for disabled and 30 minute wait in mercer row and corn market. Help ageing population, disabled and businesses that rely on people "popping in for bits". Hardly anyone sits outside from October to end of April. Therefore suggest 6 months rather than winter.
34. Utilise cobbled area of market for seating. This space should be an asset. It is so unsuitable for disabled parking. Whoever thought wheelchairs and cobbles were a good idea???
35. Leave market and parking in cornmarket but pedestrianise the cobbled area (currently used a disabled parking). Fill the cobbled area with nice seating areas/trees/plants to make it an appealing place for people to sit\have a drink and watch town life going by.
36. 6 disabled spaces mercer row where more room. Market place 30 min spaces for non blue badge ie all.
37. I would suggest the parklets are redesigned as they bear an unfortunate resemblance to skips. They could be made far more attractive and constructed locally

38. The cafe culture does not work in Louth you can go up the Cornmarket at busy times & only 2 or 3 people are sat down & that takes up all the Cornmarket. Why can't seating be put down one side with barriers on one side of them then you could still have parking as it was with cars coming in from Mercer row & exiting onto Eastgate & people are protected from cars by the barriers. Why do you need seating on Mercer row & in the Cornmarket the stupid parklets as they are called are on a live road with no protection whatsoever what a waste of money.
39. Without extensive landscaping the Cornmarket looks a big empty space on non market days. The cafe culture works very well on market days as the stalls close the space. We have six planters on wheels that are not maintained and look forlorn at the edge of the Cornmarket. There are also ugly temporary metal barriers stopping access to the Cornmarket which look rubbish. To create a proper space to encourage cafe culture the Cornmarket would have to be cobbled and permanent planting, a fountain and seating created. The parklets and wheely planters look cheap and are not maintained.
40. Parking needs to be stopped for everyone between the two pedestrian crossings in Marketplace & Eastgate, the road is too narrow, the Cornmarket should be made for disabled parking & limited time parking as before, the small area by the memorial on market place could be made more of a seating area rather than parking, the so called " parklets" are total waste of money & look awful, lastly put Mercer row back to how it was before all the nonsense, please let common sense prevail! & even on nice days through the summer when there wasn't an event the Cornmarket was sadly bare, there are not enough businesses to make it viable & Louth is not & never will be "Continental "
41. no thought or provision has been given for elderly people who cannot walk far and do not have a disability parking badge. It seems you are more concerned to accommodate visitors to the town than the residents.
42. Cafe culture to stay Double yellow lines disabled parking stopped outside Barclays age concern etc
43. The design of the parklet/seating areas installed in town do not really fit with the aesthetic of Louth. I would suggest any parklets/seating areas are designed in collaboration with local craftspeople i.e. from Louth Men's Shed or Louth Interskill. This will mean money from government for active travel goes into the community and the design is one that is by local people, for local people. Cafe culture is great during warmer months but during the winter people are unlikely to want to sit outside in the rain or the cold. If the town wants to keep cafe culture during the winter months then some gazebos and space heaters should be provided, otherwise the cornmarket should revert to disabled parking during winter months.
44. Cafe Culture on market days and occasional Sundays so the market is buzzing will be adequate. We need the Cornmarket available for evening parking all year round to access all the restaurants in town. Disabled parking on the Market Place is good.
45. The whole area should be pedestrianised: with a large parking area at the Old Cattle Market and a free bus down to the town centre and (more importantly) back up to the car park (so that shoppers don't have to carry heavy bags up hill). I have more suggestions to facilitate pedestrianisation (private number given).
46. It is no use having the Cornmarket as a cafe area in the many months of bad weather. What a waste of parking space that would be. And let's have a park & ride system (see comments below). The argument that it would be too expensive is not valid: money from this grant could be used towards it, together with Louth Town Council's funds and any extra required could surely be borrowed or a Government grant requested. The scheme would recoup costs through parking charges.
47. The Parklets are ugly and not suited to Louth. Replace with Britain sourced seating taking more users for outside 'coffee culture'. End of Cornmarket could be pedestrianised.
48. See no point in closing the Cornmarket especially in the Autumn and winter months.
49. 30 minute parking for all groups mainly elderly people, is essential for shopping in that part of Louth. I am not disabled but old (75) and so is the majority of residents of Louth. When the shops and banks close that would be a dead town with ghosts sat on the benches! The Market Place has already got cafes, tables and chairs. Place the platforms here if you must...
50. 1 - Cornmarket. Pedestrianisation including the parklets confined to the Cornmarket where the main Pavement Licences are, but dependent on seasonal and market use. 2 - Mercer Row is a through route and incidental to the scheme. The area where the parklets are now could be either unrestricted yellow lines [ie available for Blue Badge holders] or reinstate the previous public parking 7 days per week. 3 - Imaginative in

- use of other space on the South Side of Mercer Row for loading, unloading, drop off and very short stay public parking to help struggling shops etc. 4 - Market Square car park split between disabled and short stay public parking, on non-market days. 5 - Outside the former Barclays and in Queen Street, mark out the limits of Blue Badge parking to prevent obstruction. 6 - Increase disabled bays in the Town Hall car park, near the Post Office, also the Library which Barclays now use 7 - Improve pavements, lowered kerbs and associated road edges, street clutter throughout Louth. 8 - Anticipate the need for on-street electric vehicle charging including DfTs accessible chargepoints initiative, while LCC leads the Midlands Connect chargepoint fund.
51. I would take a few of the corn market parking spaces in the autumn/winter for the parklets
  52. On Sunday there were a couple of folk outside drinking coffee and an empty cornmarket and mercer row. Costa was packed and Wilko end busy. Who on earth thought shutting half the town off was a good idea? Think cafe culture is good but maybe in a place where there are cafes and not estate agents and banks! Bonkers, absolute bonkers!!!
  53. Mercer Row to host disabled bays
  54. The park let's are completely wrong for the town, looks like they should be in mablethorpe A different style of seating would be more acceptable on mercer row, and some picnic style seats could be added to the cafe culture in the corn market so people who just wish to sit with a coffee or take away sandwich have the option.
  55. Free parking in queen Street carpark.
  56. Just leave it alone.
  57. Seating in Cornmarket appropriately designed for the town and made locally.
  58. The present layout stops parking for 2 Banks with full services, biggest Pharmacy in Louth and butcher plus many other specialist shops, opticians and cafes .All commerce on Mercer row is suffering lack of trade and the seats are being trashed and mostly used by the young fools of Louth Louth town Council should have final say on all these matters as Lincoln has no idea how this town works. Maybe if Lincoln would improve our big car park facilities to service all the new housing, the town centre could revert back to being a happy place to shop
  59. more parking usable by the disabled -marked bays, unrestricted yellow lines- is needed. some very short stay public parking is needed to help the shops. the cafe culture pavement licences must adhere to DFT NATIONAL CONDITIONS on disability marking and access.
  60. Why put seats by the side of the main street where traffic goes past emitting poisonous carbon monoxide fumes and traffic noise when there is space at the top of the Cornmarket outside the Halifax where it is quiet and would fit in better with the café culture. Put disabled parking almost the length of Mercer Road where the seats are, disabled parking is not available on market days, Wednesday Friday and Saturday in the Marketplace so does away with 9/10 disabled spaces. More car parks need to be made in the town to attract more visitors. Not enough public consultation was done as to how £60,000 could be put into the town centre and used better. We live in the town centre most of the ELDC Councillors live out of town and I'm sure none of them are aware how important our local shops are. Supermarkets are okay but nothing beats the taste of home-made which a lot of shops offer.
  61. Signs to discourage disabled parking opposite the fish shambles. Create a single cafe area served by all cafes in Cornmakret on south side like French towns. Cycle racks in Cornmarket.
  62. On the three Market days the Cornmarket area can be used for Cafe Culture, reverting back to normal parking after 1800hrs. On the remaining days the majority of the Cornmarket area should be open for normal short time parking & a small number of Cafe Culture' eating areas. Mercer Row should revert back to the mix of short time limited & Disabled Parking bays. The Unnecessary Police Parking bay could be changed to a Drop Off, Pick up / Loading Bay.
  63. Single cafe area, like cafes in France, which can be served by several cafes. Please could this be on the sunny side. Erected during the summer months. Installed sunken bollards that can be operated electronically to prevent vehicles accessing Cornmarket. (as on the continent in many places - a car is trapped in? They can be ticketed and then allowed out
  64. Central area for cafe seats, served by several cafes
  65. some bench type seats wouldn't go amiss similar to those on the east of NatWest Bank.

66. I do think there is enough parking in the local area to make mercer row pedestrianized in the future. maybe use a bollard system and restricted delivery times. You can still drive through from queen street and east gate would be the main through fair for vehicles. Then utilize the corn market predominantly for cafe's, attractive seating possibly with covers for winter months. allow street acts to perform and off course still operate the market. It has so much potential to regularly attract people to the area.
67. Cornmarket is so much better without parking, there is more than enough parking around Louth. I walk/cycle to work and Cornmarket is best area to cut through for myself and other pedestrians.
68. I think part of the Cornmarket could be turned into an attractive area with seating and planting as a natural meeting point. Mercer Row should have 30 minute parking to allow those with mobility problems access to Boots etc.
69. Cornmarket reverts from November to April, back to 2019 convenience of local and dis-abled, weather unsuitable for cafe culture due to weather Nov-Easter
70. Consult everyone concerned
71. The parking in the Cornmarket should be available all evenings except when setting up the stalls for market days. Edward Street and George Street should have a one-way system in opposite directions. It makes it more difficult no parking on both sides of Aswell Street or in the evenings
72. Parking needs to be available to enable customers to visit shops. We need as much parking as can be afforded.
73. Although I don't mind the cafe culture it needs to be done properly. The current area could be halved as it is usually empty even in good weather. Also proper seating needs to be installed rather than the current cafes putting their own seating out. Also thought needs to be given to where tradesman can park (when working at those businesses (Masons etc).
74. It's nice what they have done for Louth but it could have been put elsewhere, like the park as there is not enough benches to sit on while kids are playing, not in town centre
75. Parking in Market Place reverts to the original 30 minute parking (on non market days) parking in winter in Cornmarket reverts to 2019 A few more normal seats at the end of the Cornmarket (pavement)
76. Only The Cornmarket used for some parking. No parking on the actual Market Place. I would prefer The Market Place developed, with pedestrian priority, traffic calmed, and improved accessibility for wheelchairs, prams and mobility scooters. Traditional wrought iron seats placed thoughtfully, where people wait at bus stops etc. Kerb parking in town centre for drop offs only.
77. Widen the pavement's to make it easier and safer for people to walk through the shopping area
78. Let us not over do the 'disable' parking. Most of us need sometimes to park in town centre. I thinking leaving cars in Little Eastgate to go for coffee in town with friends is misusing the blue badge. Attention should be paid to parking charges - provide free parking as much as possible. It attracts people to a place if they don't have to worry too much about the parking.
79. When cafe culture in operation in Cornmarket do not display the large 'Road closed' notices on rusty crowd barriers at the entry to the Cornmarket. This is very off putting. Devise a more welcoming signage to encourage people to enter the area.
80. Opening of corn market for parking in the evenings, to facilitate people driving to town centre restaurants and pubs
81. I suggest the full closure of the town centre to cars. This should be coupled with free parking in all council owned cars parks within the town centre.
82. Put Mercer Row back to how it used to be but keep the Cornmarket pedestrianised. Make the cornmarket a more attractive jewel in the centre of the town that looks less bleak, supports the small businesses in the area who inevitably support the wider economy of louth.
83. This scheme is utterly indefensible in a beautiful Georgian town like Louth. A totally inappropriate use of tax payers money and a blot on the landscape. Should never have happened!
84. Make to forbid local busses driving effectively the wrong up Mercer Row
85. I think coffee culture is great. Louth could be a wonderful tourist area in Summer, yet locals seem so against change. I do wonder if it would be possible to give the teenagers and elders of the community a project,

making making lots of seating and looking after the flower beds etc. I think the Cornmarket area is wonderful, and the market is just super. It would be great to hold events here too!

86. No compromise, but it all back to what is was
87. Please make pavements more disabled friendly, difficult finding pavements that are lowered at kerbs
88. Residents , visitors and local shops are suffering with no parking particularly the disabled & those with walking difficulties. Essential shops, Boots, Specsavers, Woolis, paper shop etc.
89. Seating should be in Market place not Cornmarket,
90. Free for first hour car parking in car parks helping quick customer use of town
91. If you intend to keep the seating arrangement can you make them so short people can sit on them
92. Louth is full of car parking provision, it's widely distributed and there is always capacity. If delivery issues are solved I can see no reason to do anything but celebrate the better pedestrian space that the changes have brought about. And having the market square pedestrianised is totally wonderful. Thank you, please please keep the faith and keep making the town slightly friendlier for pedestrians.
93. Any street furniture needs to comply with the rules that apply to the conservation area regarding colour and style which businesses have to adhere to.
94. I do not have comment on the parking however I do not feel the seating units should be placed on Mercer Road. They are very unattractive and not in keeping with the area. I do not think that sitting in the road would appeal to anyone. The units would be better suited where people would choose to sit - perhaps at Hubbard Hills or by the canal.
95. Please put in a pavement and a cycle lane from Fotherby so people can walk into Louth or cycle.
96. Remove the kerb markings on Mercer Row so that cars with blue badges can park outside the disabled bays when they are full
97. Corn market accessible to traffic outside of shopping hours to allow access to businesses and parking in town at night. Additional disabled parking areas in town centre on market days when existing bays cannot be used
98. Use the market place for seating where you currently have put the disabled parking
99. Try to improve more of the town for visitors not just the market place. Encourage more people in at weekends as the town is busy in the week but very little interest on the weekends
100. Make sure the paths are suitable and wide enough for those walking with wheelchairs and pushchairs. Arrange alternative parking provision, especially for disabled during the market days and special events. Talk to the businesses to arrange hours where goods can be delivered, minimising the build up of traffic at certain times or certain days. Arrange incentives for those that walk or cycle into town centre rather than using a car. Park and ride options for disabled and elderly from places with lots of parking for example, Aldi car park or Meridian Leisure Centre.
101. IF change is needed then The Cornmarket should be either half or fully landscaped properly. This would require significant investment in proper hard and soft landscaping covering at least the rear half of the Cornmarket with parking provision at the front, or full conversion to a permanent landscaped amenity area, with SOME areas for seating, NOT the awful hotch potch of random chairs which look absolutely dreadful and appear just to be put up anywhere. If it can't be done properly then don't do it at all and just revert to the situation that appertained prior to the imposition of the dreadful so-called 'parklets'. In respect of those they are nothing like the ones that can be viewed as placed in London and which actually appear to be reasonably well designed, practical and visually attractive. If the Cornmarket is to be permanently landscaped then the previous original parking situation on Mercer Row should be reinstated, it's a market town for goodness sake which thrives on the turnover of vehicles parking there for short term shopping requirements, that's part of Louth's rich tapestry. Whoever commissioned the Louth 'parklets' obviously has none of the skills needed to enhance the practical and visual amenity of a traditional Georgian market town, nor it appears any expertise whatsoever in achieving value for money - a shameful and embarrassing episode in the history of Louth.
102. Sunday parking anywhere free especially Christmas fortnight.
103. Active travel in Louth needs a grand plan, not the piecemeal approach currently being adopted. The eventual aim has to be full pedestrianisation from Upgate to the White Swan (including the Cornmarket). Substantial investment would be required to make this area attractive so that it becomes a 'destination' for

leisure - visit numerous market towns in Europe for ideas. To achieve this all car parks would need to be free for users with adequate disabled provision. Also, a plan is needed for safe cycle routes in Louth, by making roads cycle priority (as they do in France). A good start would be to create a 'cycling corridor' from Hubbards Hills to Riverhead.

104. I'm not quite sure what I want to see, but I would have appreciated more active and creative ways to be involved and consulted. Temporary take overs, other forms of pop up, talks from other towns who are further ahead and 'been through the worst' and now see the benefits. Events and activities to work through ideas and options, rather than having things foisted upon us with no input from residents and businesses. Change is always hard and I can see both points of view, but I do believe we could have a more beautiful safe and relaxing town centre with less traffic and more places to 'be' that aren't about spending money. A civic space that is flexible and works on a number of levels, without causing such upset.
105. Stop LCC spending silly money on silly ideas without consulting local tax payers.
106. It would make sense for parking to be allowed in the Cornmarket after 6pm in order that people could visit restaurants and bars
107. Seating units could be used elsewhere in Louth, the style just looks out of place in the town centre. Maybe painted black and installed in Cornmarket during summer months?
108. Some areas where bicycles can be safely and securely left without obstructing pedestrians
109. I understand able people are lazy and want to park outside a shop to make it easy for them, but it's not safe for others that are shopping I have disability's and spondiosis of spine so if I back out and fall will a car stop or go over me and make my injury worse !!, I fell this week on high holme road, blacked out fell onto road, lucky someone helped me up before a car came down, I can't drive cause of my conditions so walking and shopping is hard, but I do it to keep my body and mind alert,
110. Red line the road from WHSmith on mercer row down to heron to stop any parking. Turn the cornmarket from Tina's cafe down to HSBC in to a proper pedestrian area with planting seating and ideally a covered area.
111. Go for it and pedestrianise from dojo's to fish shambles install green space and benches and have a bollard system for goods vehicles... If this is Unsatisfactory for disabled access raise bollards at 11am and have access for first couple of hours only
112. The concept of fixed seating positions is okay - but best in the Cornmarket and they should be in keeping with the architecture of the town. Why on earth would there should be sun loungers?
113. Just a query re the siting of the parklets; are the legally 'parked'? Having driven through town at night they didn't seem to have any reflecting strips or lights which would be required if siting, say, a skip on the road.
114. Really seating needs to be flat ie level its all sloped at moment ( as roads dip to curbs) and traditional, similar to benches around the disabled car park. They are well used. We don't need sun loungers, just somewhere to rest and have a break from shopping
115. More 30 minute parking everywhere in Louth.
116. If LCC suggests a scheme that actually actively encourages cycling and pedestrians in and around Louth without severe impact on local businesses and motor vehicles I would be happy to support such a scheme. Question 1, 2nd part: Probably be far better for Mercer Row/Cornmarket and Market Place to revert to how they were in 1919.
117. For Health and Safety reason, the metal ramps, from ground surface to platform height, at their ends form a trap for feet to go under and be a trip hazard.
118. "Talking bench "to be installed maybe near café s in corn market, made by local firm or craftsman . For those who wish to meet and chat
119. 24 hour car parking reinstated year round as it was in the Cornmarket (except Market Days and Special events) and limited Cafe Culture.
120. Abolish LCC council and start again The councillors that vote through the changes to Louth should be removed from office. Leave Louth a market Town without £62,000 scrap metal parklets



121. A widely published guide to disabled parking spaces like Lincoln has with satnav locations. I have a blue badge and parked at the Car park next to the British Legion all spaces were full, need more accessible spaces.
122. Traffic flow through Mercer Row should be reduced. Much is people looking for parking. If there were signs to direct traffic to car parking as you enter the town then that may help. If traffic flow reduces and restricted to 10mph with 30min parking then it would be much better for shoppers. At present it is often jammed with traffic causing air pollution which makes it unpleasant
123. The cafe use in Cornmarket is great. But, after 4pm there is no use of the space by cafes even in summer. Evenings could be used for parking (even in summer). How do people drop bags off at the Masons if they are staying there? Yes, keep space for cafe life, but help restaurants, pubs, cinema, hotels survive by allowing parking the evening. Active travel - if more cycling is to be encouraged, look at the whole town. Where can you park your bikes safely and conveniently? The official, existing 'cycle lanes' are no help at all. The ones on Newmarket are in such a poor state you cannot cycle on them, Meridian Leisure centre one takes you 20 yards then you are told to dismount. The one on eastgate is short and drivers don't recognise it as a cycle route. For pedestrians, more needs to be done to stop drivers (often deliveries) from parking on pavements and sending pedestrians into the road. That is a danger that should be stopped.
124. To expand on my second tick, above: Cafe culture space should be confined to a more limited section, even in spring and summer, with some access for guests at the Masons Arms etc.
125. It's an accident waiting to happen. I see one of the parklets already has a dint in it. I get what LCC say about the "funding had to be used" but why place such an eye sore on a busy road, it's simply not safe and out of character. What about moving them to the top end of the Cornmarket - outside the Halifax but the rest of the Cornmarket go revert back to parking 365 days of the year??
126. To help cafes/pubs I would allow some times during the week for them to serve at tables outside their premises after the hour of 11am. It would be ok if market stalls don't need the space on market days. The Market place could be designated for disabled parking but Mercer Row for short time parking for everyone on one side, loading on the other.
127. I can see the wider target for Louth and the benefits of reducing car numbers can bring to the town. However, it needs proper commitment and funding. Putting cobbles down mercer row and perhaps more bike racks etc. to encourage cycling in to the town. It's a difficult problem to solve and I'm sure whatever you do won't please everyone. Perhaps if Mercer row was pedestrianised but peripheral parking was free then that might help. Getting rid of the robbing Eurocarpark and making that free would be a big bonus.
128. Seating in corn market, parking across end of cornmarket. Also 30 min parking mercer road. No parking what so ever where road narrowed near chemists and card shop
129. Cornmarket still looks like road (tarmac) and needs some 'cafe culture identity' Block paving (?) to define the walking/seating area, lighting, better and classier street furniture/planters.
130. Cornmarket is fine but seating on Mercer's row is stupid and dangerous
131. Things got bad when Mercer row got congested with illegally parked cars That problem should have been solved as now by double yellow lines and buses back to leaving bus station and picking up outside bargain buys Church Street as their now diversion is.....the most difficult road in the town for large buses Solve the first problem and stop creating others like this stupid seating on Mercer Row.....how idiotic was that
1. A longer term survey of the use of the seats should be undertaken. This summer was unusual in weather terms. 2. Along with the 'Cafe Culture' and seating, it's not unreasonable to expect that cars are still allowed to park where reasonable - in bays that are NOT narrow.
132. None - leave it as it used to be
133. The seating units are more suitable to a leisure space, like a park. Ordinary bench seating is more appropriate.... does anyone really want to lie and relax in a town centre, probably not.
1. Seating units are ugly, and do not form a Cafe for real Cafe Culture. (See Maastricht town square in the Andre Rieu TV programmes) 2. It needs space for tables etc. from the cafes and to stack them when not in use.

134. I was born and bred in Louth and lived there for over 40 years, when I visit Louth the lack of parking is a massive problem, I am afraid to say, stopping cars access to the town will only result in more empty shops
135. Seating does not blend in with this historical town causing less parking for local people/visitors. Such a waste of money better used to help shop keepers improve their shop frontages and allowed to have double glazed windows
136. We need to stop thinking in small areas and think as a joined up approach for Louth as a whole. Cars and bicycles must be allowed. People may not all be disabled but have important reasons to quickly pop to the shop and we need that facility. But we also need mobility as a whole considered with a long term view. We need parts of Louth better connected to enable the rise of shopping cyclists and better connections with nearby villages. There was a lot of utilitarian cycling pre-war, we need to encourage that again. The canal towpath must be upgraded for cyclists to get out of and into Louth. ALL new housing developments must seek cycleways into town. Please - more imagination and longer term thinking.
137. Reduce the Disabled Parking to 2 hours. giving more Disabled Drivers a chance to shop. 3hrs only give 3 Disabled Drivers a chance to shop during opening hours. ie. 3x3 = 9 hours Which takes care of 3 Disabled drivers per day. I personally need this for Disabled Drivers Parking Space to visit the Halifax Building Society, the Solicitors and the optician. These places are all within this vicinity for most people. , otherwise it would mean going to another small town who facilitate Disabled Drivers ie Skegness, Horncastle or Spilsby. unless your next move is to implement these sorts of restriction in other local town I am a Disabled Driver whose partner is deceased and therefore the only driver within this household nilsby
138. Move them to the seafront somewhere!
139. The type of seating is totally inappropriate to the style of town. The seating is not user friendly to older people and those with disabilities as too low. If seating is to be introduced it should be more in keeping and more user friendly.
140. Do not allow any parking on the high street and give free parking in the closest parking areas to those with blue badges. Closely observe the user of blue badges to ensure they are actually in the vehicles displaying the badge.
141. Cafe culture I use and like. However space needs to be used and make it more inviting. Get rid of double yellow lines down near Age concern. Dangerous. Paths on opposite too narrow.
142. Any seating placed in the town should be in a style that is in keeping with a market town not day glow yellow with loungers
143. I would like to see Mercer Row from the junction with Upgate to the Fish Shambles made traffic free between 09.30am to 4pm. This would encourage visitors and locals to stay longer in the town rather than quick visits just to make a collection which could be made before 9.30am or after 4pm. The same applies to delivery vehicles. A traffic free centre would be a benefit to disabled persons who would have more space to use wheelchairs and Mobility scooters. Bus routes and Taxi facilities would need to be rested but this should not be too difficult with the network of roads close to Louth centre.
144. Some short stay parking spaces should be made available in the Cornmarket except for market days and special events.
145. No driving or parking through the town from 10am till 3pm. Pedestrians only
146. Spring & summer (weather permitting) cafes could have tables outside in Cornmarket after 10.30 am on non market days. This would give folk the opportunity for visiting banks & shops as they used to do. On bad weather days- parking bays all day.
147. make the other car parks free for 1 hour to encourage shoppers to come into Louth
148. Why are you calling this a Compromise, it should be opinions, as revert back doesn't come under this heading
149. Put a conventional seat on wide footpath opposite vets on Newmarket. As a resting point between the town centre and the South (London Road) area. My 80 year old aching limbs have struggled down into town, but really cannot cope with the uphill return. It is agony from Kidgate upwards. The bars in front of the car park opposite the vets are not a reasonable place for a rest. A better answer would be for us to be able to park for a short time in Cornmarket again!

150. Make town centre parking free. Fully pedestrianise Cornmarket and stop traffic through Mercer Row on market days. Allow business traffic (deliveries) to Mercer Row and Cornmarket for access, before 10am and after 4pm on Market Days.
151. Should be in the cornmarket
152. Would have suggested the parklets be put in Cornmarket if their design was more suitable for Louth i.e. not bright yellow
153. I would like to see two programmes in use. A summer programme encouraging visitors and outside seating eating areas with narrowing road use (like Shrewsbury) then winter use as was, with road parking etc. I would also like to the very strictest parking restriction on handicapped parking with blue parking lines so they cannot block traffic eg. Outside Barkleys bank. I have every sympathy for handicapped parking my sister is handicapped, but Louth people seem to think they can park anywhere, block through traffic and park anywhere. Yellow lines, double yellow line, should be no parking anytime.
154. The cafe culture should only be on market days and the cornmarket should be available for parking everyday after 6.00pm There should only be parking in the evenings on one side of Aswell Street as this is a bottle neck an ambulance or fire engine can't get through at night, Kidgate to the west should have parking all down one side as it's wide enough after Aswell Street, George Street and Edward St one way parking in opposite directions to allow residents to park and allows traffic to flow more easily along these streets. More, less expensive simpler benches could be placed on the wider footpaths
155. By all means provide seating so people can rest but not those parklets. Nicely DESIGNED LOCALLY PRODUCED seats in keeping with a market town
156. Get the money back from those totally absurd parklets and spend the money on making Cornmarket a nicer place to sit and have a coffee etc, so it looks better than the abandoned space it is at the moment. If Wakefield can do it I am sure LCC can at least make an effort. Bench seats NOT loungers, this is Louth not Saint-Tropez.
157. Install more benches by all means but in keeping with the town ethos and on hilly streets down to the town. More people would walk into town if more resting places were provided on the hilly streets.
158. Stop ALL parking at the pinch point around the old Barclays Bank site with Red Lines Provide bicycle rack in either Mercer Row or Cornmarket Prohibit delivery vehicles between 9:30 - 3:00 on Market Days through Mercer Row and Eastgate. I have seen this work to excellent effect in other Market Towns. Also, it is extremely common for delivery companies to have to adhere to "deliver before or after" or not on certain days.
159. There are plenty of good examples of parklets and public seating available, why try and reinvent the wheel. Take a look at what was successful in other towns and cities and learn from it. I personally would like something more in keeping with a historic market town i.e. plant trees and install seating around them.
160. If possible the whole market could move to the corn market thus freeing up disabled spaces for parking on market days. I feel that there is plenty of room for the market and cafe culture. The creation of more disabled parking in the care park behind the town hall would be helpful for those of us who are disabled but can walk short distances.
161. Cornmarket is pedestrianised fully during non market days in certain areas with the remaining areas providing parking for 30 mins. Or the pavements are widened to accommodate seating and remaining area is available for parking.
162. Other businesses are lost valuable customers because the cafe culture has been given priority
163. Seating to be placed in Cornmarket in keeping with Louth and seating already there updated. Free half hour/hour parking in car parks.
164. All disabled parking on mercer row, say a maximum of 5 spaces. Yes! to two or three drop off places on mercer row. See my enclosed drawing regarding Louth cornmarket.
165. Install decent secure cycle racks
166. There is no option to suggest parklets would be a good idea in The Cornmarket, or on Fish Shambles, but that the current design, style, colour is dreadful in a period town. Also that the parking/stopping restrictions in Mercer Row and near the Fish Shambles need to be readdressed to completely prevent obstructions.

167. Options for well thought out schemes should be offered to the public to vote on..these should be in keeping and sympathetic to our beautiful historic town. I love the cafe culture but It does seem ridiculous that Cornmarket will be deserted in winter months apart from Market days, so seasonal parking would be an option.
168. More secure bicycle parking please. Widen all pedestrian paths. Cycle lanes, mobility scooter lanes and pedestrianisation should be a priority. Let's get active and less of the car is king culture.
169. Parklets - just ugly, JCB yellow and not at all in keeping with Louth's Georgian town centre which is also a Conservation Area. If additional seating/relaxation points are to be installed they should not be at the expense of disabled parking spaces as that is a step backwards in the promotion of accessibility for all. More disabled parking should be created as opposed to being removed! Seating should be in keeping with the town centre and ideally locally sourced and produced by local suppliers and trades using traditional materials.
170. Keep the corn market traffic free, but make more of it with planting permanent benches etc
171. The cafe culture area is not appealing enough to sit in. It seems a half-hearted effort. Maybe it could be focused on one day a week so it would gain more of a fixed attraction and also made to be more special.
172. Pedestrianise from cojos to fish shambles
173. Pedestrianisation of the town centre from cojos to fish shambles. Disabled parking bays could be installed at end of the zone outside cojos.
174. None
175. Make corn market cafe area and those silly seats from Mercer row
176. Free parking throughout the town.
177. Encourage more diverse business not just cafe and charity shops. Smaller more diverse business need help.
178. There needs to be 3 to 4 disabled parking in corn market for up to 3hrs and the rest 1 to 2 hour stay with pay and display all shops were doing a better trade that way not everybody needs to eat food outside i still enjoyed the food inside and cafes were busier because more disabled and elderly could enjoy the same as not to far for them to walk.
179. Better quality and more appropriate seating/parklet designs located in cornmarket. Cornmarket redeveloped to make more aesthetically pleasing to sit in rather than the tarmac car park it currently is.
180. Get rid of the yellow monstrosity parklets and get something made locally more in keeping to Louth.
181. Loungers are a bizarre seating arrangement? I have seen better designed pods that will provide more seats and encourage socialising?
182. Question 5 doesn't make relevant sense/ is badly worded. What are you asking are you asking if the travel scheme has encouraged you to shop in Louth or deterred you from shopping in Louth? Badly worded don't see how you can include answers from question 5
183. Move the monstrosities of the seating out of the Town into the park area.
184. We need free parking back since it's all been blocked at cornmarket I hardly ever come into town
185. The seating units or parklets are vile they are something you would expect to see at the beach, they are an eyesore, and to be ordered from Norway what about supporting local business? A total joke whoever chose them should be sacked in my opinion, we should have had something more fitting our town, so my suggestion is get rid of them
186. Free parking on Sundays and special event days and cheaper season tickets may bring Louth back to life again. We need locals and visitors to spend more time in the town.
187. Utilise Council payment car parks for Active Travel Scheme seating, if it is truly considered necessary.
188. Replace the absurd looking, impractical sunloungers with benches and locate them in the Cornmarket. If you want to encourage cyclists, install bike parks and useable cycle paths.
189. Have one way system down Little Eastgate / Eastgate and up Queen Street / Mercer Row. Mercer Row to include disabled parking, and having Cornmarket & the narrow bit of Eastgate pedestrianised
190. Remove the seating in Mercer Row - looks like two skips. Older or disabled people can't access the seating. Looks awful.

191. Surely it is not healthy having parklets next to a road with traffic coming down, diesel fumes etc.
192. No parking whatsoever in Mercer Row except for delivery and police. Actively encourage people to use the car parks and WALK!
193. Having pedestrianised part of the town
194. Would it not be better to have put benches around, to seat more people and cheaper
195. Mercer Row and the Corn Market area are fine now. These are bigger streets with wider pavements. The problem area is Market Place road leading to Eastgate.
196. Would be really nice to have a cafe culture in the summer. Would bring in more visitors and you would shop more. Traffic makes it an unpleasurable shop and day out
197. Perhaps you could use the Market Place parking to put in seating in keeping with the conservation area. There is plenty of room for the usual markets in the Cornmarket. On none market days apart parking could be restored in the Cornmarket. I appreciate LCC received £1.8 million from the government and think that money could be better spent elsewhere.
198. NO COMPROMISE ON LOUTH PARKING! The absurd 'parklets' be removed and reinstalled in Lincoln High Street.
1. Keep parking charges in nearby car parks cheap enough for people to feel it's worth parking away from Mercer Row and Cornmarket 2. why not make the small car park between Mercer Row and Cornmarket FREE for 30 mins for people just to collect prescriptions for instance.
199. That the park let's are removed and replaced in the corn market made locally, more in keeping with the town and its history
200. More ordinary seating similar to seats at side of NatWest bank perhaps.
201. No town centre parking except in designated off street car parks.
202. Please put some free half hour parking near the shops, having to pay just to drop things at charity shops etc puts people off bothering. Also need to be able to pick heavy things up from Argos etc
203. Put them in Hubbard's Hills and never repeat this mistake again.
204. Don't use the hideous and expensive parklets, use benches similar to the ones already in use and install at the top end of the Cornmarket near HSBC
205. Revert to 30 mins free parking in market place too. Taking the free 30 min spaces away doesn't encourage walking and cycling - it just means I spend longer driving round and round looking for an elusive free space elsewhere around the town centre (using more fuel than driving to a Mercer Row spot). I often need to take my children with me shopping in the town centre - walking and carrying heavy shopping isn't an option for me. It's not just disabled people who benefit from town centre parking, it's families too. If you have children, you will appreciate the extra stress involved in a shopping trip with them in tow. That's why supermarkets have parent and child bays in close proximity to the disabled bays. We should be encouraging family time in the town centre - a chance to stop for a cafe treat with the kids.
206. The cafe culture should have a start and end date to be defined. Spring summer and autumn. Suggestion to be 1 Dec to 1 March. when the weather is usually at its coldest. This way the cafe business gets to benefit of warmer weather and motorists get extra parking in the colder months, who wants to be trudging round town with shopping bags in the rain and ice. Not sure on how you would get 3 wider spaces in the Cornmarket or where they would be positioned. Thinking of difficulty in turning round or reversing out onto Mercer Row especially if there are tables outside near the end of new street.
207. Possibly 1 way access to corn market with limited parking at Halifax end with the exit past the cafe culture to the market place
208. Move the market to the bottom of the cornmarket... and leave the top car park open all year round apart from special activities... It's wasted space otherwise... there is not enough people that use that. People are more likely to come into town and use the car parking space and use the cafes.
209. Make parking free and available in Louth like lots of other market towns in the UK.
210. The seating units surprised me - they are much more 'lounging' than initial plans indicated. I anticipated seating that would be more upright - and therefore suitable for people with less mobility for ease of sitting down and getting up - and in groups of more than 2 seats, thereby conducive to conversations or people-watching, but they seem to encourage solitary lounging (on Mercer Row - really?). My sister took

my 80-year old mother to see them as they were walking through the town. My mother needed a hand to get up and down off the platform, so smaller steps and a handrail would be useful. obviously..

211. There should be double yellow lines and no disabled parking from the zebra crossing by Eve and Ranshaws to the zebra crossing by Herons. As this is very narrow and often this is where the problem is for traffic getting blocked by blue badge holders parking on the narrowest bit
212. Please keep Louth as the beautiful town it is. Use the corn market for the parklets and keep out Louth businesses trading.
213. Stop letting a few bully boy businesses ruin the town. Their greed has ruined the Cornmarket!
214. I have ticked both options for the Cornmarket. I support parts of it being used by adjacent hospitality businesses in late spring, summer and early autumn, but there remains space for parking in addition to hospitality during opening hours. There is no reason to ban parking 24/7 as exists now.
215. Reinstate park gardens as they were at the beginning and to mid 20th century. Buy the land by Brocklebank for car parking and disabled spaces as an option for those who can't manage the hill down from Newmarket
216. Cornmarket should be used for cafe culture from the first May Bank holiday till the kids go back in September but the cornmarket could be designed to have both cafe and parking we had the craft Market on a Sunday did they have to use the Market place and leave most of the cornmarket empty. I work in a shop where we get asked about parking as the signs ain't clear No parking should be where the fish shambles is as that causes traffic issues move the loading bay from boots on Eastgate to subway area so heron lorry can park there.
217. More parking enforcement between eve ranshaw and heron foods as this is the narrowest piece of road , always causing a bottleneck
218. Cornmarket should be the main Hub and focus for the active travel scheme but should Revert back for the winter .. also believe a pedestrian area down to the fish Shambles would work with a one way system down mercer row from queen street
219. Consider pedestrianising the area from the Shambles to and including the existing car parking area opposite Oxfam etc, and adjusting the traffic flow accordingly. Accepting that in a traditional Market Town like Louth it is not easy to arrange, but cannot be beyond the wit of man. The main area of town is so cluttered with traffic and badly parked vehicles it is hard to see the shops anyway, and thus off-putting for visitors and residents alike. The existing installations are totally inappropriate for use in the historic setting that Louth is. Something more in keeping with the town's heritage is needed and in line with the strict planning" requirements imposed on every other premises in this area."
220. Make public the names of the councillors who pushed through the placing of seat in Mercer Row.come clean and lets find out if they, their family or friends benefited financially from this very embarrassing decision.
221. A gradual start to the parklets to make them safer for oncoming traffic to see them or a planter before them. Maybe a rail at the edge of them so safer for young children/the elderly. Also the yellow changed to a colour more sympathetic to the town.
222. I suggest that the small car park at the end of the Cornmarket (next to NatWest) be used exclusively for disabled spaces. This then provides plenty of disabled access but retains the Cornmarket as a pedestrian space
223. Some 'public' seating in Cornmarket not linked to particular establishments. Someone take ownership of the mobile planters and actually plant something. I notice the planters in the Mercer Row 'parklets' have been planted but are clearly not being tended as they look half dead already!
224. As a disabled person. I rely on good access to get my shopping done. I am over 90 years of age and can see no good reason why it should have been changed. It must be someone from a big city who doesn't know what made Louth a fantastic tourist town or someone from 1of the café in the area
225. The town should be encouraging visitor's to drop in at anytime to access the top end of the town. The market traders seems to have been moved into the market place make it look busier, which if they were in the corn market the small parking area opposite Santander could still be used. I feel it is not a

compromise as the only food outlets that benefit are one's which are in that area, or are they paying more council tax for having a greater seating area.

226. My compromise would be make the cobbled area in the market place seating, use the whole of cornmarket on market days for stall holders and the cafe culture and allow shoppers to use the cornmarket to park as 2019. Allowing working people & shoppers alike to pop into town, park up for 30 minutes, shop at the local retailers & drive away, after supporting local businesses & keeping the town alive.
227. Mercer Row to be all disabled parking
228. Whoever put this together clearly does not understand the implications of the questions - I cannot see how you could support with compromises yet one of the compromises is to revert Mercer Row to as it was - that is not a compromise that is an abandonment of the scheme. This survey appears to have been rushed with little thought given to the issues and concerns and will not serve to resolve the issues - hence I have been forced to say totally object even though some of the compromises are valid (as ticked). I fully appreciate and support the town council in trying to achieve a positive outcome however. Louth itself remains what it is, a traditional Market Town. Whilst I object to the parklets which are ill conceived, an eyesore and totally inappropriate to the town I can understand the need to create a better environment for EVERYONE. There is no published risk assessment as it affects people using the seats and the effects of traffic movement on them. There is no consideration given to the conservation heritage in the town (citing frequent reports of colour schemes, A frame boards and flowers safely positioned being required to be removed).
229. More free parking outside of the active travel zone as an incentive
230. It's a market town. The infrastructure all of new builds can't cope as it is. Stop building. Get A&E open, deal with blocked drains to stop flooding. We don't need parklets.
231. In winter it should be as before car park and I think 2 days a week in summer as lots of people are avoiding the time including myself as to go to the butcher's you cannot park nearby and don't always have time or the ability to walk further
232. ELDC to allow disabled to park in any space in Cannon Street and Town hall car parks for double time in Summer.
233. Reduce further unnecessary traffic flow through town centre, create/encourage different routes around town centre, make more pedestrianised in places.
234. Resurface the Cornmarket to remove kerbs and make pedestrians a priority over vehicles but include some goods delivery spaces. Include covered seating for Larders, Consortium, Masons Arms, Auction House etc
235. Businesses on Mercer Row have parking permit to allow them to load & off load goods
236. If the parking is to be kept as just for disabled in town, make car parks free for first 30 mins so users of the town shops and facilities can do quick pop ins. Stop parking for anyone including blue badge where Road narrows near shambles
237. I was against Cafe Culture in the Cornmarket to start with but it does seem popular. I do not see that it is necessary/practical year round though so would like this area to revert to parking throughout the colder/wetter/windier months. I do feel extra support should be given for the businesses not in the Cornmarket who aren't able to increase their 'premises' size for the apparently nominal sum paid by those in the Cornmarket."
238. Traffic warden leave people alone after hours.
239. Although I think there is a place for the seating units in the cornmarket during spring/summer, I feel these needs further work to put them in keeping with Louth town. Wider work needs to be done to ensure the cornmarket becomes a 'coffee culture hub' - this is more than seating. Caistor/Alford flowers look incredible, an ambience needs to be created. This will take more than some very metal, uninviting seating but a wider, long term vision.
240. Put it all back to how it was, seating not in standing with conservation areas of Louth, you and old do NOT, like it at ALL
241. No parking on mercer row, make the road narrower all the way through town onto Eastgate and make the footpaths wider, thereby encouraging more walking, without the need to constantly step onto the

road. This would especially benefit those using mobility devices, scooters etc, who often truffle with the narrow footpaths.

242. June - Sept inclusive being cafe culture, it's too cold to sit in the shade the rest of the year
243. Keep Cornmarket car free all the time. Mercer Row disabled only, make it officially one way and widen one side of pavement.
244. Double yellow lines on road and pavement where the road narrows at Fish Shambles and junction. No parking at any time by anyone. The road needs to be kept clear at this point to avoid gridlock
245. More money should be spent on improving the corn market year round to establish a cafe culture and to support local businesses
246. Find ways to encourage able people to walk from the car parks. Some people make to many journeys though town centre looking for parking places causing congestion.
247. The council should take back a portion of the Old Market Hall where the infernal 'cafe culture' could function year round.
248. Take the parklets to hubbards hills far more appropriate
249. More and frequent buses to the villages.
250. Free parking for the whole of Louth. Also the loading points along the road should allow all cars or vans that are picking up or delivering to use them. As a supplier to some of the shops I can't park outside it to drop off in my car. Not all businesses have vans!
251. Develop the Cornmarket more
252. Provide more than 3 spaces in the Cornmarket while leaving space for cafe culture which can be accessed throughout the year. It needs investment in the structure such as levelling to avoid sitting in the gutter" and sympathetic lighting and infrastructure."
253. Car parks should be free. If this was the case it would stop the endless round of traffic looking for the odd free space. Also it would attract shoppers to the town.
254. All local authority car parks should allow 1hour free parking for all. That way people could get parked for those quick trips in but people wanting longer can pay normal rates. Disabled parking could be on road side in existing spaces.
255. Create more parking for disabled users
256. More parking for disabled
257. Add some more comfortable seating around the town similar to the seats outside NatWest bank
258. First 2 hours parking in all car parks free.
259. Mercer row disabled parking only
260. Re the seating , I've answered "not installed at all" regarding the tacky seats currently supplied and vastly overpaid for by LCC . If some nice seating to suit our Market Town was supplied then I would not object to it being in the Cornmarket during the Spring and Summer months.I would probably not use it a great deal ,if at all ,but recognise that it suits some people so would be prepared to compromise.
261. I don't understand the objectives of this project. If to slow traffic, parked cars will do the same job, and if on short term bays, will encourage people into the town and help traders in Mercer Row. If they are to encourage cafe culture or provide seating, then put safe seating in keeping with the town where there are cafes, not in the gutter of the Main Street where these parklets are a danger to both pedestrians ( slippery decking and ramps, ridiculous sun beds which elderly will struggle to use, insufficient barriers to prevent children wandering into the road, fumes from traffic)and motorists, and delivery lorries.
262. More special days such as french fair or car boot on sundays.
263. Have 'no parking at all' markings from Eve & Ranshaws to the Fish Shambles. Inconsiderate drivers park here and cause huge disruption to other road users. Consider free parking in car parks during certain times to encourage visitors, eg winter months or even just Sundays. Have more communal seating and tables in the cormarket for those not using the cafes and make use of the lovely planters!
264. Allow disabled parking only on Mercer Row
265. I love to see the cafe culture in summer but I think in winter it should revert back to parking except market days. I think parking is essential in louth especially disabled
266. If Cornmarket is closed in summer limit this to 9am - 5.30 pm



267. It's ok for me. But absolutely not ok for the disabled, the elderly who need parking in a rapidly expanding town. Parking is ludicrous as it is. Seriously, has no-one looked at the housing developments? Even that aside it seems this culture project is an off the cuff political piece of fanciful idealism. A case of 'we like this idea so get on with it and shut up'. Consultation? When was that. I live here. Those seating things are beyond irrelevant. It's been a badly thought out, badly received piece of economic nonsense.
268. Have disabled parking all along Mercer Row and seating in the newly appointed Disabled parking area (the tiny car park to the side of Natwest). Ideally this will have a roof over it so can be used all year round. This creates a safe space away from the road side, reducing health and safety issues, and allows not only the cafe culture idea to be used, but somewhere for general shoppers to sit that does not pose a safety risk. One of the most important changes would be to introduce a red line along from the Zebra crossing near Costa, down to the one outside M&Co - this would prevent *\*any\** car from parking there, greatly reducing the issues that are currently caused, namely cars/buses etc being unable to pass, creating a tailback of traffic and the danger of people being struck by passing cars.
269. Put the seating units in Westgate Fields
270. This is not a simple choose your option. County, District and Town Councils along with Louth Independent Traders should get together and come up with a way of using the market place as a market place NOT a car park. The idea of parking space in the centre of town for any other than people with mobility issues is wrong. Active Travel is what all able bodied people should be aiming for.
271. Close Mercer row to all traffic , plenty of parking in car parks, it's a much better shopping experience with no parking along there
272. Cafe culture in a designated area of cornmarket around Halifax and HSBC banks, using the hideous industrial looking parklets as barriers, then leaving the rest of cornmarket and market place as parking, on non market days to give access to banks, estate agents and other important shops in surrounding areas for the residents that are non disabled, but possibly elderly/people with other disabilities and struggle to walk far.
273. All of the Cornmarket to be pedestrian and cafe culture plus markets, no parking on any day, and more parking for disabled and able bodied in Mercer Row
274. A zebra crossing on mercer Row, parking reinstated on cornmarket cobbled area, if we're to encourage cyclists then bike racks / shelters .proper consultation on adding more dropped curbs ,in the market place ,either drop all curbs or level it so it doesn't look like a carpark
275. I believe the Cornmarket should be cafe culture in Summer months but only on Masons Arms side
276. Summer should be limited from 1st May to 1st September with maybe music and cafe culture in the evenings. short stay half hour free car park close by on market days etc. ALL disabled bays reinstated on mercer row. If this is not agreed then I would reject cafe culture all together.
277. 30 minute free parking in all Louth ELDC car parks to encourage people to shop locally
278. Double red lines out side Barclays bank and up to Costa coffee as people just park there and make it hard for lorries fire engines etc from getting past
279. The pathetic attempt at making the parking spaces outside NatWest in the centre disabled bays was a ridiculous idea. That needs to go and I say this as a wheelchair user! The spaces were not big enough as average parking spaces and caused endless problems and arguments. They're certainly not big enough for disabled persons to get in and out of given people with mobility issues often need to fully open the vehicle doors to have room to get in and out because of the often varying degrees in which their mobility issues affect them. They certainly are not big enough for anyone with mobility aids. Even if we got my wheelchair out of the back of the van, which we don't, there would be no room for me to get to my wheelchair, even using my short distance crutches there is not enough room. It's just not feasible at all, they should be returned to average parking spaces! Those monstrosities they call seating areas or "parklets" need to go somewhere far away from Louth into a modern looking area befitting of their design, and LCC and ELDC need to consult with local designers and local companies to build something that actually looks like it belongs in our town and they should be placed in the cornmarket area where they're promoting this "cafe culture" stuff, and then be taken away for storage in the winter to give us parking back when no one will be sitting

outside cos it's by far too cold, then bring them back as Spring appears. A little bit of consultation with the people who actually live here and actually have to live with this stuff really would go a long way!

280. Mercer Row - Leave for parking and drop off points. Cornmarket - Cafe Culture and the Parklets would be great! More greenery/ Plants/ trees. Tarmac removed and maybe Cobbled as new street. Everyone loves new street for how beautiful it is, so extend new street into the corn market. Cobbled, trees, plants, maybe even a few swings and slides for the kids while their parents/ grandparents are sat having coffee. I love the idea of this but feel it needs more of a relaxed feel to it and to feel less of an ' old car park'
281. Reinstate normal parking on the market square
282. Stop disabled parking near fish shambles as this causes alot of traffic issues
283. Visitors do not count, they only shop for one day, as apposed to locals who make many visits to shops, not always supermarkets;
284. I feel that Mercer Row needs to be left as it was in 2020. Keep the disabled bays as currently is by the Nat West and keep the Cornmarket purely for cafe culture all year round with money spent on making it a pleasant surrounding for eaters. Surrounding car parks need to be free to encourage shoppers to the town.
285. Traffic Wardens use common sense in regards to motorbikes
286. All parking spaces reinstated on Mercer row but ALL of them for disabled users, reinstate normal parking bays that were converted to disabled bays (cobbled area)
287. Some parking spaces could be reinstated as suggested in 3 above. The Parklets could be installed in the Market Place and repainted to match the conservation area furniture, black / grey and gold. Additional planting could be installed and the Market Place could be made into a lovely town centre park type area. Currently the Town Centre has a cycle rack on the corner of Aswell Street and Queen Street. Additional cycle racks would be useful. While the area as you enter Mercer Row from Upgate is quite drab and would benefit from brightening up with some kind of planting. I feel the first parklet encountered as you turn into Mercer Row from Upgate is badly positioned. On a busy day and if there are cars parked on the opposite side of the road to the parklet there are a lot of distractions for drivers manoeuvring here. Children jump onto the parklet and then jump out onto the road through the gap next to the planter.
288. bakers and numerous independent traders that is what makes Louth special and why they come we must protect our town. Anyone who thinks pedestrianisation is a good idea needs to take a visit to Brigg and Wisbech to name a few where they will find the heart of the town ripped out and shops boarded up. I was in favour of the cafe seating in the Cornmarket on market days and a way to support these businesses with Covid restrictions however I feel that on non market days the free parking and access to the few remaining banks should be a priority."
289. maybe the money should have been spent more wisely
290. somewhere to lay for drunks on a Saturday night and today on a busy market day initially they stood empty until two old men perched on them at various angles unable to use the recline position for fear of getting back up. If more seating was required then an update of current benches beside the Nat West similar to those outside St James church would be money better spent. I would like to see the Mercer Row parking for all reinstated but a no parking for anyone outside the Card Factory and behind Eve and Ranshaws which has seen an increase since the removal of the Mercer Row parking thus blocking the road to emergency vehicles at these narrow spots. Our town is a beautiful market town and should remain so. I always smile when visitors admire the butchers

## Survey – residents and visitors

### Q6 The reason I like / do not like to shop/visit in Louth is:

1. I like Louth due to diversity of independent shops. Dislike the traffic! This is a terrible survey, by the way.....
2. I live in Louth and like to support local businesses
3. On street parking has been removed which meant before I could park and pop in to the shop I needed. I can't do this any longer so I don't bother - the changes have meant this is no longer practical for me
4. Lovely character and facilities
5. Louth is a unique market town with both independent and chain shops. The cafe culture and pedestrian market place have helped this. It needs to stay that way and the changes that are being made will not allow this to happen. The county council needs to listen to the people who live and use the town.
6. There is no able parking in the town only disabled, why is it just disabled. . I can no longer pull up and nip into a shop for a couple of mins so i have to shop elsewhere, i am not the only one. Louth is a good town built on the way it was.
7. I like shopping in louth & supporting local businesses but the parking is awful
8. Very good variety and mix of shopping, plenty of independents as well as main stream. Excellent food town. Excellent eating in the way of cafés and pubs. Easy parking with plenty of surrounding car parks.
9. There is no where close to the centre you can park to 'just pop' into a shop especially if you have young children. I recently received a parking ticket when I dropped off several bags to the Cancer research shop, so doing my bit for charity cost me £35. If short term parking is not reinstated it is going to finish off the small businesses in town which local try to support, myself included
10. I like to shop in Louth to support local business
11. Support local business
12. I live there
13. Keeps our community together. Local shops for local people.
14. I cannot park for 30 minutes unless I am very lucky to find a space. Most of my shopping or bank visits take less than that time and because of mobility problems I need to be as near as possible to the shop/bank.
15. The old parking spaces in Mercer Row made it easy to stop and shop quickly and support the small businesses. The parklets are not in keeping with the look of Mercer Row.
16. Louth is an individually little town with its local shops. That's what people love to come to louth for. I love our little town & the cafe culture, its seems to work in many other city's & town I've visited. Why not louth. Sort the cornmarket out & Give it a chance. More should be done to accommodate the cornmarket area for it. More permanent seating in cornmarket no silly pods!! Areas that can be worked in with Market stalls so available all the time. Try putting Market stall back to back down the centre encouraging people to view the shops cafes n Market stalks as they wander through town. T Shape them at the top. Now you struggle to walk down the paths to shop with Market stalls so close. Back to back means you could view both.
17. I like shopping in Louth because I can walk everywhere and there are lots of independent shops. I really like the cafes having outside seating during the summer. I would like to cycle more, but it doesn't feel that safe because of the traffic and tiny cycle lanes.
18. Its local & convenient
19. It now feels unwelcoming for drivers, pedestrians and shoppers. It has lost its town centre appeal. If I shop now I go down the other side of town rather than to the town centre or park at the supermarket. One of Louth's assets was it's thriving town centre appeal now it just looks unwelcoming and has lost its dynamic character that made you want to shop there.
20. Definitely not enough convenient parking for elderly or unmobile customers
21. I don't shop in Louth because i cant get all i need. I cant afford most shops.
22. I like the cafe culture that Louth has, more should be done to attract more business to the town, parking is atrocious along mercer row, It should be pedestrianised with no parking
23. Like the independent shops and that it's full of open shops not empty units. Don't like how you end up walking in the road when it's busy as the pavement isn't wide enough for the amount of people.

24. Louth is a gem, changing it is wrong , leave it alone
25. I like to shop local and if you do not take back parking in town then the town will die
26. i like to support local business
27. I don't drive I travel on the lovely number 51 bus and ease of getting around the town centre to shop and go to the library to the concerts. It is better now that there is more seating in the bus station.
28. To support local businesses
29. I am a real fan of Louth and absolutely loved visiting but during the Summer there were a number of occasions where I drove round all of the limited car parks to find no spaces at all and left again. I also bring my disabled mum in law into town and again have found nowhere to park even with her blue badge. It's a real shame. Also if you can park you're limited to how many hours you can stay so a day out in Louth is out of the question. This is madness if you want people to stay, eat and shop. Many places offer free parking. Why weren't the people of Louth consulted properly about what they want/need?
30. I used to pop to a single shop over lunch when needed so would park for half an hour or so in the Cornmarket car parking area, now thats gone I don't bother as I suffer with groin pain and some days I can't walk.
31. I shop in Louth because I believe that for the town to have a future as many people as possible should shop locally.
32. I live in Louth and don't drive
33. It's convenient where I live.
34. I love to shop in louth as lots of very different shops, too many charity shops, but would rather have charity shops than see shops empty and deterreate.
35. With a 90 year old mum who now has mobility issues, parking and shopping are difficult. We prefer to go to Retford, they've somehow got it right without spoiling the quaintness and they have a great diverse market with cafe seating around the edges NOT market space!
36. I live here - I find most of what I need in the town. I don't drive and anything that encourages pedestrians / cyclists while supporting a varied town centre is most welcome.
37. Apart from market day's Louth should be as it was parking in the corn market etc.
38. They are an eyesore. Also they are a health hazards
39. I do not like as difficulty in finding on-street parking.
40. I live in Louth and so try to shop locally. The seating units are a great way to waste public money. Heads should roll!! I think a properly introduced pedestrianisation could be beneficial to the town so long as concerns are met ie free parking spaces to replace the ones taken away. Delivery drivers able to access the pedestrianised areas etc.
41. I shop here as I have no alternative, as I don't drive and the BUS SERVICE is nearly none existence , be nice to have a bus on a Sunday.....
42. Difficulty finding disabled parking.
43. For a specific item not general shopping.
44. -signposts
45. I often take people (elderly) shopping and finding a local parking space (in Louth) to the butchers, chemist, bank, cafe etc has not been possible. I have been taking them to Tesco in Cleethorpes. I do not have a disabled parking permit. They would much prefer to go into Louth and spend their money in local shops and go for lunch in the local pubs and cafes.
46. Personally I feel there is more than adequate, reasonably priced parking available. Certainly compared with other areas of the country. I'm also very happy seeing the traffic wardens ticketing those people not obeying the rules. Bravo I say!
47. Local
48. The challenge is the availability of car parking. This is particularly relevant when I am visiting and taking out my elderly mother who lives in Louth. The seating areas on Mercer Row are completely out of place for the character of the area. If these had been done in an appropriate style and placed in a relevant area they would have been useful.

49. The town needs changes which are not happening, investment which is not forthcoming and a vision which is not blinded by a lack of imagination and common sense.
50. I usually walk into town but have no issue using one of the car parks available in the town, should I need to drive in. I think the Cafe Culture is a great idea and should be seen as a positive addition to Louth - it seems to have been widely used.
51. Pretty market town. Needs to keep an eye on the visual appeal. Some lovely towns have been ruined by horrendous garish shop fronts like pizza shops and pound land.
52. I love Louth but would like to be able to pop to shops for a few minutes without having to walk all the way from the Co op car park for quick shop in Mercer Row or Yorkshire Trading. Also I know of people who can't walk so far but don't qualify for disabled passes so they are now excluded from Louth.
53. No reason to go elsewhere for everyday needs
54. I live in Louth so no need to shop elsewhere, however the traffic situation in the Centre has most certainly got worse, and at night it just seems to be used like a speedway, plus a very noisy youth club on parakeets. God help anyone living in town centre that needs to sleep, or even have a quiet evening!!!
55. I work all week and need to pick keys up from Stevens property for work . I cannot do this now without parking in a car park and takes me and good 20 mins both ways . Adding 40 mins to each job and car parking fees making me uneconomical and too expensive . I also have stopped collecting prescriptions from boots and papers etc from newsagents in the area because I cannot get parked thus losing the town trade in many areas
56. I love to shop in Louth. Great shops, nice people, great atmosphere. I have been to lots of small towns in this country and many are now ghost towns. Louth is not. It is still a bustling thriving great place to be.
57. I think the cafe culture is a big draw. The idea is sound it's just the implementation needs tweaking. If the weather is nice I often walk into town just to sit and have a coffee in one of the cornmarket outdoor cafes. I think this has been a big success.
58. To support the local economy and to show support for the cafe culture and other changes.
59. Louth is a lovely market town with unique shops, people with difficulties are finding it hard to walk, I love to shop in this friendly town
60. Its a pretty, traditional old market town, with lots of interesting independent businesses. Its also our closest town for normal shopping. The current scheme threatens Louths unique character and seems to want to turn it into another bland town centre. Whoever is running it, really doesn't seem qualified to make the decisions they are making.
61. I live here and am elderly and need easy access to the shops as my mobility is failing
62. Parking is a nightmare. The only shops left are either coffee shops or charity shops. We go to Grimsby or Lincoln.
63. Nothing has changed for me, as I either walk or park at Morrisons. But I totally understand how the changes have had a detrimental effect on others.
64. I used to do my town shopping on non market days. This tended to involve nipping into town parking in the Cornmarket and doing the kind of shopping that is too heavy to carry as a pedestrian. Since parking has gone from the Cornmarket I have found I just don't go into town like I did before, as a result the local businesses have missed out on my custom completely. I understand one of the goals of the active travel scheme was to encourage people to park up and spend longer in the town but when you don't have longer to spend the scheme falls down.
65. Like - variety of shops
66. I can see both places it has affected some business but though you can't blame the car parking situation all together due to the economy at the moment, but I rather that Lincolnshire county council put red lines from that zebra crossing near Whismith toward the big age UK charity shop because this is very narrow.
67. Love Louth, shops there are so many different ones lovely town to live and visit
68. It's a lovely Market town with a great selection of independent retailers.
69. Lower the shops rent or we will be sniped with tacky tea rooms, nail bars and hairdressers.
70. Louth is just coffee shops and charity shops.
71. I like to shop locally.

72. Likes - It's easy to park ( I am able bodied), the small shops are varied and should be encouraged Dislikes - There is no large supermarket (except Aldi) with everything I need at cheaper prices No childrens toy shops or clothes stores I would like to see a B & M and something like The Range
73. I can't just park and mop to the bank or butcher.
74. I love Louth. I want to go back to "I prefer to shop in or visit Louth". It is a lovely town because of the people and the businesses who support each other in tandem. The recent schemes and trials have killed the "tandem support" and we need Louths community spirit back!
75. I now only walk into town when I need something but if I'm taking elderly into town, parking and drop off is a problem. A 5 minute job for them to collect a prescription turns into a long tiring job.
76. I cannot walk far but not entitled to a blue badge so as no parking in Louth close to shops I go elsewhere
77. Town looks miserable - a few plastic tables & chairs in a market is a poor attempt at cafe culture. A few cafes gain at the expense of the town
78. I cannot walk from car parks. Cannot park in cornmarket where spaces wider. Market place spaces are more difficult to manoeuvre. I cannot now visit market at all
79. I like supporting local independent traders (not the non local market traders).
80. I am lucky I can park out of town and walk in. I would like to see more done for those not as fortunate. I also think Louth should have an adult changing space. That is why we tend to use Skegness as it is better equipped for our son with complicated needs
81. Because there used to be more disabled parking in the town centre. The disabled parking in the town centre is not disabled parking it is just ordinary parking bays marked up as disabled some people need wide bays to get in & out of their cars & on market days you cannot use them.
82. I miss the 30 minute free parking so I could collect my prescription or pick up essentials. Now I have to shop out of town
83. I love the smaller independent shops as well as having the choice of some larger retailers. Great cafes, places to eat. Masons Arm is a fantastic hotel, eatery and a place you can have coffees/drinks with friends and family. A pizza hut would be great too. Love the Wetherspoons. Good atmosphere. I enjoy the market but needs to be grown again with more variety of stalls.
84. Small private business shops I like Louth but LCC are not helping in any way
85. Louth is a traditional market town let's keep it that way but with some common sense it could be better
86. I like to support local shops
87. To support the town
88. I have enjoyed having additional seating areas around town which mean I no longer have to eat food inside my car and can spend more time in the town centre when I visit. This will encourage me to spend more time and money in local cafes, delis and bakeries.
89. I normally like to shop in Louth. However, the parklets and lack of sensitivity to this beautiful Georgian town have been forgotten. I support cafe culture in the corn market but this must be a proper scheme with fittings to match the period bollards and lamps. Move the parklets to Hubbard hills that is distinctly lacking in seating for those who have reduced mobility
90. I have mobility issues and cannot walk around the shops from the current parking places, I now only nip in on Tuesday or Thursdays and if all the marketplace parking is full, which it invariably is, I don't stop and drive straight out again.
91. I live in Louth, I shop in Louth and buy local produce where possible. Louth is a 'market' town, we go into town buy our groceries then take them home. Life has been more awkward without the 30 minute parking in the town centre. If I want to go for a cup of tea mid-afternoon 'Cafe Culture' which currently occupies the whole Cornmarket has packed up and gone home! Meanwhile Costa Coffee is open until 5pm
92. I like to shop in Louth as it is much more sociable to be able to sit outside for a chat with a cuppa. Much better, safer and healthier without cars in the Cornmarket.
93. I like to shop in Louth because it still has independent shops and cafes and it is an attractive place to spend time in. These independent businesses help to attract day-trippers and tourists, bringing money into the

town. They need supporting and this includes the provision of nearby parking. The removal of the parking on Mercer Row is therefore a mistake and will result in a loss of trade for nearby businesses that are already struggling to recover after the pandemic. The parklets are aesthetically totally inappropriate for a Georgian market town and should be removed.

94. I am one of so very many people who live out of town and need to pop into Louth to visit specific shops/bank/post office etc. This usually entails parking for only a short period of time and the removal of 30-minute parking spaces in and around the Cornmarket has made a HUGE difference. Although I still go to Louth, many people do not for this very reason. It cannot sustain the influx of residents, due to new housing, if parking spaces are not made available again. With an ageing population, most cannot walk or bike apart from those who live in town, so a more sensible option is needed. A park & ride scheme is the best answer so that those coming in from outlying housing or villages can park in (say) the livestock market - except of course on Mondays - and use a mini-bus loop system into town. They would appreciate not having to carry shopping uphill and this would encourage more retail trade for the independent shops. This would boost local economy: the small shops in the centre of town have suffered considerably over the last months.
95. Easy to get to park near small local specialised shops, as well as chain shops and supermarkets.
96. As a person with severe walking difficulties Louth is a very, difficult place to do business.
97. Local food shops and services deserve our support
98. Unnecessary parking ban by LCC. Please leave us alone
99. No parking for me (75 yr old) no access to the banks or shops there in Mercer Row. Very unsightly seats/platforms. More suitable for a beach area. Not in keeping with a Georgian town. Mercer Row is the main artery into town and now is very confusing. Destructing the way into town, not the best place for setting among the traffic.
100. I like the Cafe Culture in Spring, Summer and Autumn with buskers and entertainment. It makes shopping more enjoyable.
101. At present I dislike it! I can't park due to having to walk too far (disability) I can't take my Son either due to his disability and requiring a space to quickly get back to the car as necessary
102. I haven't felt a difference but then I am active and can walk
103. I still feel the same about shopping in Louth but I very much miss being able to park in the cornmarket and on Mercer Row if I just want to visit one particular shop. I also see no reason for parking to be prohibited in the cornmarket during the evening. Louth is a small market town whereas it used to be a bustling small market town.
104. I like quick free parking for collections or a quick shop. Since the active scheme I haven't shopped in Mercer row as I now choose the free road parking opposite Wilko or Morrison's car park and keep my quick shop to that end of town or shop online. Living in Grimoldby I need to take my car to town. Haven't been to Boyes and the pet shop in months, such a shame. Not willing to park in Queen street carpark for a petshop collection of 2 mins or a 10 min Boyes shop!
105. Have difficulties with mobility so need to park closely to the shops and amenities I need to access, and this isn't always possible.
106. Unable to park centrally to pop in shops for a few minutes on lunch break
107. I like to shop in Louth because I used to be able to park near the shops been as I have difficulty walking but since these stupid seats have been put in place I haven't been able to shop in Louth.
108. As a Disabled Badge holder and user, being able to park close to shops and places I either want or need to visit is crucial to me. The main car parking was now quite a distance from Mercer Row when the Disabled Bays were removed. This made it almost impossible for me to visit as I do not like to park in places I am privileged too using the badge and the fact that 'Parklets' were fostered on a town without consultation or even notice was heavy handed and not in keeping of the town. I'm all for cafe culture, all for opening up the town to new opportunities and features. But not when they do not take into account what the town is, it's history, and the needs of all of its residents and visitors - able, disabled and diverse. The sudden removal of the Bays (while losing spaces remained untouched), addition of the expensive and unsightly parklets meant it was too difficult for me and my wife to visit; especially over the summer.

109. I always shop in Louth , I live here , I'm very happy with the shops, markets and facilities Except the abominable park let's. ,, just completely wrong, unusable, whos 8ft tall.
110. Local shopping is vital myself as a disabled driver.
111. Choice of independent shops is very good.
112. Disabled parking has become nearly impossible for me as I am only able to walk about 100 yards.
113. Convenient enjoy the architecture of a market town without unnecessary eyesores such as the parklets
114. Friendly and traditional Market Town
115. I shop in Louth because I have to. I do not drive but these blights on the town and the lack of general short stay parking does not help people of this town of visitors.
116. Range of great independent shops as well as excellent independent coffee & eating places. Friendly shop staff and beautiful buildings for those with the eyes to see them.
117. I live here
118. Being locally born and bread, I only use town centre shops, not supermarkets as I always have done, the town centre has always worked, tell Lincoln to leave it alone!
119. Less vehicles in town...
120. The council itself, blocked the dropped kerb outside NatWest bank by cementing in a large street sign. Drubbed kerbs are essential for some of us. For the council to do this is galling.
121. I want to support local traders and love to do my shopping in town, but town centre parking provision is poor.
122. Lack of easy accessible parking and disabled spaces
123. I can't walk a long way so any scheme which involves walking far is dead in the water - your active scheme has pushed me out of shopping in Louth, which is a shame there are good shops in Louth. The way this questionnaire worded is very odd too, the bias is clear. I dislike that as well.
124. I am waiting for a hip replacement and can no longer drive Of course I wish the town cwntrre to be a happy place which it is not at present. Lincoln I presume, gives permission for all these new housing estates to be built . However they have not considered the effect on the town and its facilities and services to which no attention has been paid If they think a few horrible benches dangerously placed on the road are a sop to our needs they need to think again
125. i have not been able to visit my bank, the shops or the market since this began. more disabled parking is needed
126. Unable to park near the shops to pick up heavy items. I have been shopping in more convenient locations or ordering online for home delivery. Mercer Row looks empty as people are shopping in Eastgate where they can park. We are a market town not a pretentious middle class tourist destination. We have to work and live in this town when the tourists go home.
127. The small independent shops offer quality products.
128. Mercer Row is now impossible for short term pickups for non-disabled drivers. Parklets have encouraged anti-social behavior, are unsightly and dangerous. Cannot nip in to bank in Cornmarket at night\winter. Can't park in Cornmarket to visit Church in evening.
129. I liked the central Mercer Row & Cornmarket area parking bays for the quick easy access i needed to do my shopping in that area of town. Not All Elderly or Medically Infirm people are Blue Badge Holders. I like the variety of shopping establishments in Louth & can quickly fulfil my needs when time is limited or wander & browse when time permits.
130. No convenient parking
131. The variety of small independent shops with friendly and helpful service.
132. Parklets an eyesore and are dangerous Traffic is snarled up because disabled drivers park opposite the fish shambles and should be prevented from doing so Not being able to park into the Cornmarket in evenings and winter a real pain
133. I am 84 years old, drive into Louth from Grainthorpe, but am not a disabled driver I just can't walk very far. Now I cannot stop in Mercer Row for a short time to collect sausages, pet food and go to the newsagent. I just go to Lidl now



134. The ridiculous removing of parking in Mercer Row
135. Louth, an old market town was a delightful place to shop. It was easy to pop and use the shops. This will have badly affected the small shops as it is easier to stay away
136. Shopping wise nothing has changed for me. Fantastic local independent shops, good service Louth has everything I need. 2 or 3 times a week I need to pop into a shop for 5 mins to collect something. I now get my husband to drop me off and drive the one way circuit then pick me up. Many people are now doing this instead of pulling up for a few mins free parking, this adds to congestion. If hubby isn't available I use Amazon.
137. LIKE -It's my nearest shopping place.
138. I am not disabled but I am old and am unable to walk very far. Parking in Louth has now become so restricted that I am prevented from walking the distance from the car parks that are available. I am unable to go myself to Boots and Boyes on Mercer Row as I can no longer park anywhere nearby so have to have someone else collect my prescriptions from Boots. I cannot understand the reasoning behind the parking restrictions on Mercer Row when Eastgate is where continuous problems occur. The ridiculous PARKLETS are an eyesore and an affront to those now unable to park on Mercer Row. The expense of these monstrosities purchased unnecessarily from abroad is indefensible.
139. I am chronically disabled with one lung and cancer in the other one and lumbar spondylitis. Lived in Louth for 69 years. It is Impossible for me to shop in Louth. My home town ruined by councillors who are not louth people or don't understand louth. It is a Market Town not a coffee shop.
140. We used to love shopping in Louth but as we have mobility problems the changes mean our visits are much less. Also the charges for using the toilets have meant I really have to think hard whether I want to go to Louth. As a person with a prostate problem, toilets are a big issue for me. Having to worry if I have the correct money on hand for at least one visit to the public toilet puts me off visiting Louth.
141. I like to go out in Louth to support our businesses. It can be vastly improved experience. I personally don't like the new design of the parklets and they do seem a bit pricey, I can see why people are annoyed, but if it can be made into something worth while I have full support.
142. I like it because its a great experience. I dislike it because there are so many cars always parked with engines running. Is there a way to designate some of the town centre so that you can't just leave engines running?
143. Independent shops.
144. Like - Support for local trades people in our lovely town.
145. Variety and local feel of most shops. Good social contacts. Know a lot of people, main shopping area relatively compact, together with adequate parking for those of us elderly with limited mobility.
146. Support local
147. I like it but there needs to be more accessible parking, some short term 30-60 mins and more simple benches could be put along the wider footpaths for those who need to sit down. There is no room for disabled minibuses to park. The money spent on the benches could have been spent on simple benches, getting rid of graffiti, cleaning the streets and more waste bins along streets that don't have them to make Louth look a nicer place to be.
148. A wide range of quality shops with a reasonable range of products and services. Plenty of good coffee shops.
149. As I live in walking distance to the town centre it does not affect me much. However I work in retail in the town and have noticed a decline in footfall since the changes (some shops report takings 40% down) also parking has become a nightmare and several of our customers say they now only come into town when they have to. The whole of Mercer Row needs putting back to the way it was.
150. I like to shop in Louth a lot of shops and market and places to go and eat, it's a great town and local to where I live.
151. I prefer to shop in Louth is because of convenience, independent shops, I have mobility issues and always now find it hard to park for shops in Mercer Row, disabled spaces usually full, if I only needing 30 minute parking this stops me going to Mercer Row Shops
152. Car Parking charges. I usually visit as pedestrian. Difficult now, as I am elderly.

153. Lack of convenient short term parking. (Im in my 70's and find it easier to shop out of town---which I dont actually want todo!)
154. I always want to shop in local independent shops, I don't like the narrow pavement and the amount of times you have to step into the road to avoid prams and mobility scooter's
155. Lack of free parking areas away from town centre i.e. no park and ride to encourage able bodied to walk with only disabled parking inside shopping areas but not near congested areas that are payable and 1 hour max.
156. I love sitting outside in the corn market. It gives the town a beating heart and promotes a great atmosphere.
157. I am a former resident and visit to use familiar shops such as Eve & Ranshaw, Boots, Boyes, Holland & Barrett and Specsavers. The lack of parking on Mercer Row for quick visits to any of these shops/businesses is detrimental to the town and the new parklets are an absolute eyesore.
158. I shop in Louth because it is a pleasant, compact town; I live here, and I find I can buy almost everything I need here. But I would like more parking spaces near the town centre, and more free parking. The loss of the Market Place and Cornmarket parking areas this year has been a major inconvenience
159. I like the compact -ness of Louth. I live here and will continue to shop locally for everything. I expect the council to make sensible decisions. And I will hold them to account if not.
160. It's okay, but could be better with a wider range of different shops
161. I do not know what Active Travel Scheme means. I much prefer the cafe culture in Cornmarket- this is ace and could be developed further - but this has been longer than six months and I don't know what else has been tried. I don't think the parklet things are at all interesting in current position.
162. Much harder to pop in for 20 minutes and visit 1-2 shops for essentials i.e Pocklingtons bakery and Wooliss' butchers.
163. You can walk into town, there's a wide variety of local independent shops with just enough chain stores too. When I need to park (I have back issues and sometimes walking into town can be painful) there are plenty of car parks within a short walking distance of the centre. I do, however, feel the town is being marred and hurt by all the negativity. Would you want to visit a town that people are openly negative about on open forums??
164. Always shop in Louth. Use the pubs and restaurants. It's actually a very sociable experience to be honest, as one meets many friends and acquaintances! Love the town, leave it alone please!!! We don't want to be just another clone town. What we have is unique!
165. There is lots of available parking nearby so I can nip into multiple places quickly
166. I have difficulty walking. Blue badge holder
167. I love shopping in Louth and stopping for a coffee. I am disabled, and whilst once I had a ticket, I was informed I could park on double yellows (if it is safe to do so). There are also many car parks making it accessible. It is local for me and nice shops. It is a shame about the empty shops on the high street but in time I am sure it will be great again. Love the idea of a new wine bar too by the Cornmarket. Could be a really lovely area. I enjoy many a coffee in this area this Summer. We need to move with the times, the Mediterranean feel is super! I did actually suggest a car park in Winter and Summer it should be open for coffee culture ... it makes total sense. As an outsider (I moved here in 2017), it does feel like the locals do not like change but it is a lovely town. No reason why it still can't remain a lovely market town but modernised. You can't beat coming down to the market and doing some people watching. It is a shame that there are not more market days or other events when the market is not in use to be fair, always feels a little empty. Good luck!
168. Less congested
169. Its local and easy
170. My disabled relatives are no longer able to park in the town.
171. I cannot park in the Cornmarket, I now do my shopping in Horncastle, parking easier
172. Louth needs more free parking like Alford
173. Louth is a beautiful, Georgian Town, and there are not many left untouched in Great Britain in the 21st Century. The Town has and upholds the protected buildings within the Conservation area so adding

these converted pallets seems to be a complete contradiction. The Town Council must stand up and be counted for the preservation of our heritage with which we attract many, many visitors with all their spending power. This is the reason I still love to shop in Louth.

174. We are a laughing stock with what the council has done, and I don't like seeing these parklets so stay away. H&S hasn't been considered with these changes
175. It's an attractive market town and needs local shops, not empty shops, coffee shops or charity shops. & access for those with walking difficulty.
176. My home town
177. I wish to support my community by shopping locally, shopping mainly in independent shops when possible
178. Apart from the fact the bus service is appalling I like to come to Louth
179. Range of shops and services, lots of independent places, pedestrianised market square, these are all brilliant. It's a mediaeval town so the pavements are too narrow through the old bit of town but the trial changes have helped. It's a great place to live, shop and enjoy.
180. I like to support the local businesses and activities where possible as they provide employment and support for the community.
181. I like to stay local
182. Free short term parking is needed so I don't have to do 12 laps of town at 4mph just to pop in and pick up a prescription or something the Mrs has pre ordered from argos.
183. I like to shop locally.
184. Parking in Louth is difficult. It's not always necessary to use the car parks, if you only need to nip into some of the shops. Affordable parking for short stay is needed.
185. As a disabled used to shop in Louth on market days . Now with no nearby parking it is impossible to get into town have not been to the town since the restrictions came into force. Do all my shopping online now. Thanks councillor's
186. Most of us who previously shopped in Louth 12 months of the year live in the rural area,s many of us are pension age,unable to ride bicycles,need access to public loo,s [fast on arrival] cannot walk great distances with bags laden with meat,bread and vegetables from the wonderful shops and markets.We pay rates to East Lindsey council and yet penalised for shopping locally. We now shop in Brigg, free car parking [ 2hrs],free public loos,they also have good butchers,bakers and excellent markets. Well done those in the Ivory towers who have no idea about what the local community want or need,keep up the good work and Louth will be dead.
187. Car parking should be free to encourage visitors and boost trade
188. The shops are not national but family run so it's a lovely place to shop
189. I can only walk short distances unaided and cannot manage shopping when using my walking sticks.As the parking bays in Mercer Row are nearly always full I am no longer able to drive to the shops on my own and now have to rely on my husband to drop me off and pick me up. This has taken away my independence and enjoyment !! I now tend to shop more online, which means lost custom for the shops I used to patronise! I know of many others in my situation, and I feel this is discrimination against the disabled and elderly.
190. Louth is a lovely market town with individual shops,high class food and retail outlets, restaurants and cafes, don't spoil it with these parklets we don't need them ,
191. It's a great town to be in.
192. It's a nice open minded friendly town.
193. I have mobility issues. The removal of the parking in Mercer Row has had a very real impact on me and my ability to access services in the town. I completed the survey prior to the changes objecting for this very reason.
194. Shop local, support small businesses. This gives Louth its appeal
195. Shop local. Support the small business
196. The changes have made it impossible to park legally to pick up bulky items or even to park just to pick up prescriptions etc when passing through.

197. It's too congested
198. At the moment, lack of choice due to cost. To get the best prices on nappies and Wipes, I need to use Tesco or Amazon. I would shop in Louth more often if there was more of a selection to meet my family needs and there were better deals on essentials.
199. The market seems to have gotten bigger, footfall in the town seems to have increased, its a relaxing atmosphere when sitting in one of the cafes esp outside. Also as a parent with a push chair people are no longer illegally or dangerously parked whilst they run in for a newspaper or a coffee from greggs, which makes crossing the roads with my children safer and easier as your not going in between cars and can see clearly down the roads. I find the changes as a positive but sadly you can't please everyone and the world we live in people will moan about anything and everything. If shops close they moan even though they contribute to it by shopping in other places or online. It's a lose lose for Louth and the council
200. To interact with the local population and support the businesses in Louth.
201. Lovely atmosphere
202. Local independent shops. However serious lack of free and convenient parking for a quick nip into a shop is no longer available. This does not support local business.
203. Great to see marjet place free of cars and full of people. Louth has plenty of free car parking nearby.
204. Love to shop in Louth it's so different from all the other towns
205. Live 3ml.out of town, hence my local
206. I love shopping in Louth due to the variety of quality stores and independent shops. I love the market and the traditional shops, also the new gift style shops such as the Artisan Room. The antiques shops are also fab.
207. I love louth at its independent shops and markets. The damage done by LCC to these businesses is unforgivable. They tried to fix something that was not broken and as a consequence they well and truly broke it. If they have ideas then great share them with the people of Louth before spending 62k on something nobody wants. If ideas are welcomed then fine!
208. I love in Louth
209. I love in Louth.
210. I live in Louth, was never consulted over the changes imposed on us, which are ill conceived and do not address any travel issues at all. The area requiring address is the pinch point created in the Costa coffee to Barclays area by parked cars - the one area above all which should have no parking at any time- not the widest section of road through the centre of Louth. Any proposed changes should be circulated to all Louth residents and no changes made without the backing of the majority. ITS CALLED DEMOCRACY . Please remember the council are employed by us, we don't answer to you.
211. We have some very good shops but short term parking on mercer row was very handy.
212. I like to shop in Louth because it is convenient and nice to shop local, although it was a help being able to use the cornmarket when just popping to collect prescriptions which I have a need to do on a regular basis, but generally I am more than happy to use car parks and walk and I believe other people should do the same.
213. I have always liked shopping in louth ,a nice traditional market town . But on first site of these uncomfortable and hideous looking seats and £62,500 pounds of taxpayers money what a waste . I have to pay tax on my pension .
214. I like to shop in the town as everything I need is available and I like to support local businesses
215. I don't want to shop in Louth now as I find walking in the rain from one end of the town to the other due to less on street car parking is miserable bad enough on a grey day or when it is hot.. LCC should not meddle in an area they do not know or live or work in.The quaintness has gone especially with too many big names and building societies taking the best positionsMy parents are elderly and cannot walk far, i am also disabled even with a blue badge (my fathers) it is hard to find a convenient parking space and I feel that the current arrangements make it difficult to shop, also parking in some places stops/makes it difficult for motorists to get around the town centre.

216. There is sufficient car parks near the town centre. When mercer row was parking, it was very well used for the convenience IF you could get a space, if not you had to find an alternative. I find the disabled parking near the old Barclays chaotic and dangerous.
217. I like the individual, unique shops and the open air market
218. Cafe culture brings life and vibrancy to the town centre.
219. The whole place looks stupid at the moment, none of the new active travel scheme stuff looks good or fits in with the town at all and have a road works look to them
220. I can no longer park where I used to prior to the scheme. I am unable to walk or cycle into Louth centre and feel I am being discriminated against.
221. It's closer for me to shop in Louth and safer especially if I'm alone, the shops and market have everything me and my children need x 👍
222. I need the cormarket to park in..as an elderly person ,but not disabled, having to walk into town have become almost impossible...please revert to parking in the cormarket,louth is such a lovely town, full of independent traders...at the moment..they are struggling..like me .
223. Support local business plus parking for those with walking difficulty.
224. Lack of choice ( dislike)
225. Lack of pedestrianisation
226. Independent shops
227. I like shopping in Louth because of the combination of chain and independent shops and friendly people; that's why I moved here 4 years ago.
228. I before all this stupidness shutting the market place and roadside parking on Eastgate, would park and nip to the shops prior to my work start time. I can no longer do this , unless I pay£1 and walk into the town centre, which I don't have time to do. So i take my money to other towns and spend a great deal less in the louth shops.
229. Too many cars drive through town on busy shopping days. Make walking the easiest option and prioritise over the car. Options do need to be available
230. I dislike shopping in Louth as 99.9% of the time you have to spend money on car park, whereas elsewhere it is free.
231. Louth is terrible for wheelchairs. Levelled surface in the Cornmarket would be a start. The free parking at the cattle market is a godsend for those of us who have to use a car to get to Louth and come in several times a week. If I had to pay for parking every day I don't think I'd bother shopping in Louth
232. Easier to get around town
233. When I shop, I tend to know what I want and where to find it so the free short stay car parks in corn market and the market place we're suitable for me. Now I don't have this option and the parking charges are ridiculous, I'd rather travel for my shopping.
234. I am waiting for new knee,walking is a problem,I dont have a blue badge. I like to pop into shops close to parking.
235. I prefer to shop in Louth but as the town is not a welcome place anymore like at lot of others I go out of town
236. My visits to Louth were normally short, for the purpose of using banks, solicitors and other businesses in close vicinity of Cornmarket/Mercer Row. Planned for Tuesdays and Thursdays, the use of the Cornmarket short stay parking was easy and pleasant, I can no longer do this, and apart from solicitors, I now use Market Rasen and Cleethorpes, (by car).
237. Living in a village ten miles from nearest shopping centre there is limited options.
238. I enjoy shopping in Louth as my local Market Town. There is always someone one knows, giving the chance for conversation.
239. Independent shops
240. I shop in Louth because it is convenient, it has local business shops like Woollis and the cheese shop etc. the idea to take away the parking from Mercer row in no way comes from the general public, the objections to the seating plan are overwhelming. Who wants to sit eating and drinking at the side of a busy

road? The councillors are, as usual being totally disingenuous , but I know from past personal experience that they will not, do not and never have listened to public opinion.

241. Convenient parking for quick access to shops needed is no longer available
242. Cost of parking
243. With parking in the town centre almost non-existent, I dislike shopping in Louth but still do so to support the small independent shops.
244. I would prefer not to shop in Louth in its altered state, but do so under sufferage in order to continue supporting the independent buisnesses.
245. I continue to do all my shopping in Louth because it is such a friendly caring town, particularly during lockdowns, but am no longer happy visiting during the evenings to restaurants etc as the nearest car parks are so far from the town centre.
246. The town has not been improved it's been turned into an unwanted spectacle. A good clean and brush up would be the way to go not parklets and street closures
247. Louth needs to be more pedestrian friendly, more outside cafes and pop up shops
248. I live in the town and it is where I need to, and enjoy shopping as an 80 yr old. I also help a disabled person to use the shops in Mercer row and Cornmarket, and as the car driver this has become so difficult, and dangerous since the changes in parking arrangements. It also has become stressful which it never was before.
249. I am disabled and find it extremely difficult to find a parking space now those stupid seats are there.
250. There is nowhere to park anymore and due to the lack of parking people park on bends or anywhere they can making it difficult to get past obstruction on path
251. As a local I like to support local businesses and the general local economy also keeping travel and environmental omissions to a minimum ( global warming).
252. Love the shops, cafes and atmosphere but parking needs addressing, a park and ride would be good on Market days. I would like to see a pedestrian area by Eve and Randshaw, the pavement in that area difficult for anyone with mobility issues or prams
253. Dislike shopping in Louth as I refuse to pay parking when I only pop in for very short visit to chemists etc
254. Shoppers were to be able to park for 30mins and get their shopping from the lovely shops that we are lucky to have, and then leave allowing someone else to do the same. Not everyone can walk with heavy shopping. The town was working just fine and now it isn't, just ask the retailers.
255. I like to shop in the town because I live in it, but want to be able to access the town centre easily for a quick shop helping the business survive.
256. Removing accessable parking to use local businesses has ruined the thriving independent shops. They should have as much help to survive as possible. The 30min parking spaces were working fine for shoppers and businesses.This should be returned to how it was asap before the town dies.
257. I live in Louth, it's a lovely town but could be so much better if traffic was diverted away from Mercer Row.
258. None of the 3 options in Q5 apply to me. I still shop and visit Louth, but it is harder to get around. I am lucky enough to be able to walk in town but there are times I need to buy something too heavy to walk home with. If I want to pick something big or bulky from a shop (eg Yorkshire Trading, Boyes, Peter Rhodes) how do I do it? The car park on Queen Street or Co-op does not help. They are not close enough to the main shopping centre. Louth businesses need our money right now. Don't make it harder for us to spend here.
259. I support the small independent shops, feel they should have been consulted before the implementation of the cafe culture plan. Insufficient thought was given to the loading difficulties of these businesses, and to the mobility difficulties of many of their customers (even those who don't qualify for a blue badge). I do all my shopping by bicycle, and you might expect me to be in favour of traffic restrictions, but none of the changes in the plan have aided cyclists.
260. I go to Grimsby as the parking is no issues and I can buy everything I need from sainsburys or Tesco. I used to nip to the butchers on mercer row and then the market to get my fruit and veg as I struggle to carry heavy items I now go to Grimsby

261. I have lived in Louth for a long time and want it to be an attractive market town with lots of independent shops. Disabled parking is needed for lots of people, especially as high percentage of people that live or visit Louth are elderly. Tacky seating areas put people off visiting Louth. The town centre needs to be full of greenery and flowers and nice benches in the corn market for elderly to sit on. Too many people who do not live in Louth seem to think they know what we want. Only people that live in Louth should make decisions about our town, not people that live elsewhere
262. I dislike and object to paying for parking when I'm only popping into town for a short visit of 5 to 10 minutes to either the chemist or the local butchers and I think the present situation is detrimental to our local businesses which means even more are in danger of closing.
263. I am disabled. I love Louth but usually when I go into town all parking spaces have been taken in town centre and available parking is too far for me to walk. I used to go into town on Mon, Tues and Thurs but, because of accessibility of parking, now it's a waste of time and petrol because I usually end up going straight home.
264. I still shop in Louth but I do feel sorry for all town businesses because the LCC are intent in destroying the whole centre of Louth. With their deemed planning permission councillors who live some distance from Louth think they understand what is best for our town. Our Grantham based friend has already wasted over £100,000 of rate payers money with the yellow lines and beach style furniture. And then he can even claim a personal payment called a salary for his actions!!!,
265. Supporting my town
266. It's convenient and it's good to support local businesses. Parking is usually a pain. Make the car parks free and only allow access for deliveries.
267. Being local I like to support the local businesses where possible, subject to being able to get value for money.
268. As a person with very limited mobility, I frequently used to visit Louth and use the disabled parking in Mercer Row or The Cornmarket. These parking options are no longer available and other car parks are too far from the shops, the result being that I cannot shop independently. The, I'm sure unintended, result has created the impression that disabled people are not welcome in Louth. I would be interested to view any impact assessment that the Council has carried out.
269. Needs more places for locking bikes that are safe
270. I prefer to shop in Louth. It has enough variety in the shops, markets etc. and is handy for parking on non markets days in the Cornmarket without finding a car park elsewhere when just requiring a small amount of shopping quickly.
271. I like the many independent shops/coffee houses. I like free parking, would prefer it to be for longer - the French model works very well, free parking all over the town centre all the time except market days. I don't want to see nonsense like the parklets anywhere. I do not understand why LCC should be able to impose such schemes on Louth.
272. shopping in Louth used to be easy to move to various parking places to visit shops throughout shopping areas I have difficulty in walking and find it now extremely difficult to shop at all the shops I used to regularly shop in.
273. Should make it clear that I am a non-driver. However the focus on this area of Louth prevents better, wider consideration of traffic management/pedestrianisation. From Cornmarket leading into Eastgate - basically the area used for Christmas etc markets is ripe for pedestrianising and requiring deliveries/waste collection outside of core shopping hours. Coney Street in York operates this way.
274. Prefer to shop in Louth, but need disabled space as unable to walk from Queen Street to Market Place.
275. Good choice if independent traders
276. I like to visit Louth because it has kept its individual character. This is because of its history and the accessibility of small shops and the banks. You can get a faceless cafe culture anywhere in the UK.
277. It's nice and not modern
278. Louth has many independent shops that need supporting all my shopping is in the town Corn market now is a good idea and has encouraged people to sit chat and shop in the town Get real...Mercer

Row back to stop the parking there and buses back to pick up in town centre.....who wants to struggle down to the bus station with heavy shopping

279. I love Louth for it's individuality and heritage and do not wish to see it become like every other town in the country. The Conservation areas should be preserved and all planning proposals should be in keeping with the built. i.e, Georgian and Victorian architecture. The recent changes to parking and the parklets have made it much less convenient to access the businesses. The parklets are an eyesore and a total waste of money, they are also better suited to a seaside setting, not a Georgian market town. The ethos of the scheme is to encourage cycling and walking, therefore I believe that the condition of the roads and pavements should be a fundamental priority. Sadly now the experience of coming into the town centre is not as pleasant as it was before the scheme was implemented. Within the six months of this trial, there must surely now be a good indication of the needs and wishes of the majority of people who live,work and visit Louth. More funding is needed to make the town even more attractive with more planting, bunting, lamps, weeding, improved shop fronts etc.along with making the bus station more welcoming. This survey should have been widely circulated prior to any alterations in the town.
280. I like shopping in Louth because I grew up nearby, it's still alive, has retained much of its charm and 'old town' feel and isn't all franchise/designer/junk outlets (and perhaps you mean \I do not feel any difference when shopping in
281. Living in Louth, I like to support local businesses if possible but despair at the volume of traffic moving through Mercer Row and Eastgate. The noise and traffic fumes are unacceptable, hence I shop very early and return home, or shop online.
282. I live within 5 minutes of the town centre
283. I like to shop in Louth because it is a traditional English market town, easy parking (or it used to be), bustling with people and traffic. I am against pedestrianisation in main thoroughfares. Louth has a by-pass for the heavy traffic. Outdoor seating eating/drinking areas are more suitable on the Continent, their weather and culture is not like ours.
284. I think the market sometimes is too close to /obscures some of the shops and it is unfair. It was ages before I realised there was Grapetree branch in Louth as I tend to come in on market days and it is obscured by the stall in front of it.
285. Range of independent shops in whole town centre, not just Mercer Row \Cornmarket.
286. Louth was a special town for many years, but lack of parking is a major problem if you have limited mobility.
287. Even though I live in Louth it becomes expensive to pay for parking especially when you can't carry things back home with out using the car. So cheaper parking would also attract more visitors
288. It is local. I live the care from shopkeepers and they are part of my community. If I build a relationship with them, they will look after my needs. If I spend with them, we build a stronger local economy. I am at a total loss in understanding why the councils wont take account of this. We need joined up thinking. Always look at the big picture. If I spend money on libe it DETRACTS from my local economy and who ever receives my payment is unlikely to spend it in Louth. ALL the councils need to have a quality criteria in their purchasing\tendering procedures that weights in favour of local businesses in order for the wider community to benefit more from what is being spent in our name.
289. I used to prefer Louth over Horncastle just because of the shops that are available and I prefer it as a town. The change in parking has caused me to now shop in Horncastle. The only time I visit Louth is when I have no choice due to my dentist being located in Louth. The removable yellow bench things are a joke and a huge waste of money. I have two small children and don't feel that they are safe next to the road on these things. The seating is not comfortable or practical. It is still a nice town but the parking has ruined it.
290. as 85 year old cornmarket was very convenient parking
291. I am able to park to go to the options, Chemist the Solicitors and the Bank. Also I was born in the room above the Helall Resturant in 1938 and remeber what it was like then. I could trip up and down to Strawsons' Shop which was on the corner of Mercer Row and the Market Place on my own aged 4!
292. I love Louth, I think it's great. But it just so happens that I don't don't don't like shopping anywhere



293. I live in the town and do most of my shopping here, but I think that the “parklets” are an eyesore, better suited for installation on a seafront somewhere.
294. I'm a resident in Louth and can usually find all that I require here in the town.
295. I like the local independent shops and eateries.
296. Stopping the car parking was a good first step but pedestrianisation of the whole of the town centre between 10.00 and 15.00 Mon to Sat is a better choice.
297. Support Town is lovely but being spoilt All shops need to start agreeing instead of bickering
298. I like to shop in Louth and support local businesses
299. If the right travel scheme is done I prefer to shop in Louth to keep the town alive.
300. I was born and bred in Louth , worked and lived in other towns, and retired back to Louth. I have a disabled daughter using a wheelchair so I understand the difficulties faced. I feel that if Louth is to move forward then we can still retain the character of Louth but make it more attractive and accessible for visitors as outlined above. The Cafe culture may seem strange at first and I have read with interest the comments in opposition. However on my recent visits to town most of the tables have been occupied bringing in new business. It is up to local businesses to get behind the plans and stop being so negative.
301. I like shopping in Louth but if it is difficult to park, people won't bother to visit the Capital of the Wolds. The recent arrangement installed in Mercer Row is an absolute monstrosity and is totally out of keeping for our delightful market town. In my opinion, those who gave it approval should be named and shamed.
302. We both went to secondary school in Louth in the late 1950's and have always thought of Louth as our market town. It is a pleasant town to shop in with very pleasant shop owners and what is being done is doing harm to the town in all ways.
303. the traffic congestion & parking
304. There's been nowhere to park for my disabled mother.
305. I like the small shops with individual goods & services. I do not like the street furniture, it gets in the way of shopping.
306. Difficulty parking now to visit shops/ bank when I used to use the half hour facility on the Cornmarket regularly. Whilst disabled drivers may have been considered somewhat the other folk with mobility issues/ walking difficulties have been forgotten. Not everyone qualifies or wants to qualify for a disabled badge. It is sad to see the Cornmarket blocked off with one person sitting at a table whilst small businesses really struggle. Banks will close as well due to reduced footfall. (Sorry more than one reason)
307. I like to shop in Louth because I want to continue to support local traders.
308. Louth has good cheap parking. My objection is the new seating - it's in a STUPID place, and is an accident waiting to happen. Surely there is a safer place for the seating if it needs to be somewhere - though the price of the structure is also beyond ridiculous.
309. I work away from Louth Monday - Friday 9-5 so the main times I need things are out of these times. I used to call into Louth when I returned from work and could easily find parking around Mercer Row or in the Cornmarket before the changes were made. I also often came into town on a Saturday to pick up various things, again probably parking on Mercer Row or nearby for half an hour, this is now no longer possible. I have also stopped picking up coffee's from Greggs, Nero etc through the inability to park. We live in a town which is isolated from all directions and cars, parking and people's lifestyles need to accommodate parking in this town not take it away!
310. No parking at all if I just want to be in and out quick. 30 minutes would be fine
311. I liked!!! the easy access to the Cornmarket for a quick visit to shops or bank, have a coffee at Cobbles all could have been done in 30mins, without extra cost and walking from a car park. I haven't been into town to do the above since Cornmarket parking disappeared
312. A good variety of shops and cafe's. My husband is disabled so at the moment we have to miss out on market days because we can't park near enough to the market. Also we use on a regular basis the butcher and boots on Mercer Row. We had a chance of finding a place when the old system was in place, now with only three it's almost impossible!

313. Whilst I still come into Louth town centre I find the scheme pointless and a waste of money. Money could be better spent on pavement and road repairs.
314. Traffic free Cornmarket is an excellent idea for the warmer months.
315. Like - friendly, good selection of independent shops and bars/restaurants
316. Lack of brief, convenient, free parking in town centre. I prefer to shop/bank in town centre if I can within my restricted ability, not possible at present.
317. I like the use of the Cornmarket on market and other days - cafe feel is good. I really dislike the narrow pavements and the high volume of traffic passing through Mercer Row and beyond. Narrow pavements are a big problem with a) so many mobility scooters, pushchairs, elderly people and b) the constant traffic passing through. A big disincentive to cycling as well as walking.
318. Either we walk in or park in James St
319. I liked the variety of small individual businesses but Louth needs to support small businesses not just charity shops, hairdressers, coffee shops.
320. I like to shop in Louth, there's enough of a variety of shops for me without going out of town.
321. I like to try and support local businesses, but if it means carrying a lot of shopping and not being able to park nearby or it's a very wet day I am less inclined to support the local shops, unfortunately we don't have a Mediterranean climate here so it's not practical to sit outside most of the year. The town centre is getting quieter and closing it off will not encourage people to shop more. We are lucky to have a lot of nice cafes to go and meet friends and family in inclement weather-they should not be put at risk because of a few adjacent to the Cornmarket.
322. Louth is a lovely market town with independent shops and eateries. It still has butcher's, bakeries and greengrocers but if you stop the elderly or less mobile parking they will suffer and close. When they go you are left with charity shops. No way would I cycle to Louth and the town isn't really one you can easily cycle in. It has hills. Yes put your parklets in Boston or Spalding on the flat lands.
323. Traffic will be an issue whether you funnel through the middle of town or direct it in other areas, congestion will just move and negatively affect different areas. I think pedestrianising the middle of town will only add to congestion in other places. I also feel it will badly affect businesses. These small businesses were already suffering from irresponsible government policies from over reaction to COVID and now the cost of living/fuel crisis brought about by lack of planning by government.
324. Because I and many other people have mobility issues which do not meet the stringent requirements of getting a blue badge. The 30 minute bays on Mercer Row, so I can get my meds from Boots, were a Godsend and should be reinstated.
325. Absolutely dislike. Lack of free, convenient short stay parking for shopping in and around Mercer Row, the Cornmarket being closed for parking - despite there being few cafe customers and a lack of parity/fairness towards other local businesses. I worry that we will lose our local shops. Also, the whole scheme looks like a joke - tables on the tarmac, bright yellow beach style furniture stuck at the side of a road.
326. I like Louth for individual shops, though some more high street names should be introduced. This would make it more attractive for locals and visitors.
327. Exorbitant parking prices. Less fees for shorter stays.
328. Can't just pop into any shops now have to find a car parking space, pay to park, walk further to the shops. At a weekend if I have my disabled son with me it is even harder as I have his wheelchair to push along very narrow pavements. It causes me stress and anxiety trying to work out how to go into town to pick a simple thing like my prescriptions from Boots.
329. As a blue badge holder I am finding it harder to find a parking space
330. I have disabilities, yet have not qualified for a disability badge, I struggle with pain and carrying bags. Therefore the 30min parking was essential for me to be able to go to a shop, taking shopping to car, then go to the next shop. However now no 30mins parking I have definitely shopped less and now do more online shopping, whereas before I'd go to the butchers, the bakers, boots, boys, bargain buys and Yorkshire trading... Now I literally only go to boots to pick up my prescription, as I can not carry any more!... I am only in my 30s and this is a hidden disability and people don't look at me and think I struggle... But now I do, or

go without or just add everything to an online supermarket order! Also to add I know of people struggling with anxiety that can no longer park near & pop into a shop quickly, and due to it being a harder\longer trip they now don't. It's all very well just promoting disability spaces but what about those who have struggles that need short stay parking, but don't have a blue badge... This isn't laziness - this is personal struggles....and actually makes things harder for these type people... As before trying to be independent, trying to face doing things - the 30mins spaces allowed this, without these it's just too hard now.... Taking this away is not encouraging, it is not helping the community and it is not helping the businesses!!!

331. I had to stop using the shops on Mercer Row as I can only walk about 20 metres. I haven't been back since the disabled bays have been reinstated
332. Like - as it still has a vibrant centre
333. Louth is making it harder to visit. Parking is the only option to visit Louth for working people from the villages. The current policy will kill-off the centre of Louth for shopping, 18 months is too long for business to survive.
334. Needs more free parking for all
335. I prefer to shop and visit places where I'm not having to breathe in car fumes. I also prefer pedestrianised shopping streets which allow space for me to move comfortably between shops and cafes. A row of attractive cafe tables and parasols is nicer than a row of cars. Parklets could be used to close the Cornmarket area off during the day and reopened in the evenings to allow delivery to shops etc. Look at how Bath uses theirs to this effect.
336. Louth is a unique Georgian market town which oozes character and charm. There are many independent shops which deserve support from local people as well as the authorities and not hindered by pedestrianisation. If we want the large multiple stores we can travel out of town .
337. I like to shop but the reduction in parking spaces makes it harder. If you live in a village travel is nearly always by car.
338. Like a lot of other people think the placement of the 'seating' inappropriate on the busy main road into the town centre, and the extortionate cost if the media is to be believed. It is in place of valuable parking slots especially for people with mobility problems that don't have/qualify for disabled badges. I like to support the local businesses whenever I can, but paying for car parking and dashing into town for a quick trip to bank or shops will, and is putting people off visiting, as supermarkets sell pretty much everything that town centres do. I love Louth for its market town feel and friendliness.
339. Louth is simply moving backwards. The lack of parking, the lack of variety of shops. The 22k+ spent on the parklets could have made a real improvement to the town, but it was wasted on glorified pallet benches
340. I shop in Louth to support local business and I don't have to spend money getting to and from Grimsby/Lincoln.
341. For the unique shops
342. I dislike shopping in Louth because there is too much traffic and not enough seating.. there should be more pedestrianisation and parklets, though local tradesmen can do better for cheaper than the 2 we have.
343. I am lucky enough at present to walk into Louth to shop but if I could not I would struggle to be able to shop in Louth
344. It is safer and nicer for my children, the real important ones who will inherit this.
345. I don't think the right range of retail is in Louth.
346. No parking in Louth totally dislike it
347. Limited free parking in the town centre, usually just want to park up for a few minutes while I pop into a shop to buy/pickup a certain item
348. I live in Louth.
349. I don't shop in Louth other than supermarkets, butchers and the garden centre. I very occasionally use Eve&Ranshaw. Quite frankly the so called independent shops don't sell anything of interest to me. Places like Ledbury have far more interesting shops. I also never in 25 years living here have ever had a problem parking. There are plenty of car parks in easy walking distance. I have a blue badge but manage. We need to

reduce traffic, think about the environment and embrace new innovative ideas. I have been appalled at the nastiness on social media. Thankyou

350. I want to support independent traders, especially those in my home town. But being unable to just pop and park in Mercer Row for 30mins has stopped me going in to shop so frequently. When winter comes, this will be even less.
351. LCC need to involve the residents before taking action ..a competition to design a scheme would be a great idea!
352. I dislike that I can't park in the centre of town for a few minutes while I pop into a shop. Hence I now shop elsewhere
353. I find all the cars travelling through Louth main shopping areas a problem. Narrow paths, no where to securely park my bicycle. There are only 3 secure parking columns outside a charity shop and these places are often taken. Louth is a beautiful unique town with plenty of cheap car parks. There is no need to have parking outside shops. Have an accessibility shop in one of the car parks to hire or loan out mobility scooters.
354. To qualify for a blue badge you have to have very considerable difficulties walking and is awarded to people who cannot walk more than 50 meters safely - the removal of so many disabled parking bays is excluding people with disabilities from accessing the town centre. When I have raised this in online discussions people have replied there is the town hall car park and the car park near the cinema - both too far for someone with disabilities to walk into town. I cannot see how the introduction of 2 bright yellow parklets are going to entice people into the town? I very rarely shop in town now as I am now working 9-5 during the week
355. There is no longer any point in trying to nip into Louth for a few items from the local shops when there is no free short term parking in town (specially on non market days). It makes more sense to just get them along with my weekly shop from a supermarket. This ridiculous, ill thought out scheme is killing Louth. The 'cafe culture' concept in the Corn Market only supports a small number of customers at the tables on sunny days, but has deprived local shops of regular footfall due to the loss of parking. In winter there will be even fewer customers at the outside tables and the Corn Market will still be unavailable for parking. Louth serves an ageing population who largely live in the surrounding villages. We have few buses and promoting a cycling/walking culture to people who come in for their weekly shop is frankly patronising and unrealistic.
356. Loving the relaxed cafe culture in the corn market
357. Keep Louth special! Although I like to support our wonderful local retailers, I find that now more difficult to do. I used to pop in for 30 minutes free parking just to buy a few bits each time from these. With fewer spaces, I now don't bother to come in as often, and sadly pick up bits elsewhere.
358. It's lovely independent shops
359. Louth is stagnant, pedestrianising, cafe culture, large chain shops on industrial estate would encourage the people to stay in louth rather than travel to Lincoln or grimsby
360. It is really difficult to park and I begrudge having to spend money to park when I just want to pop in for a shop.
361. Louth has no diversity. It needs cafe culture and some more larger chain shops, the retail offering in louth is to sparse offering a variety of home and clothe shops will reduce people going to lincoln and grimsby and increase the amount of interest in your local shops too
362. I now shop in Horncastle
363. I live very close to the town centre
364. Loke but No other options mablethorpe is getting better shops that we are
365. Handy for where I live.
366. Good range of shops and cafes
367. Not enough regular car parking
368. I love all the lovely independent shops. Free hour parking in car parks would be a huge benefit.
369. Love to shop in louth as often as I can

370. I like the step back in time feel that's why I moved here please don't change it for change sake be proud of the heritage cafe culture is boom and bust and dead in winter.
371. I love to be able to come into my local town which i loved both winter and summer before covid came along i have witnessed first hand in the summer listening to people who visit in the summer how louth is the best town for shopping with a different variety of shops and it makes them feel it a lovely community to live in. After covid the population of people who visit has gone down mainly due to the change in parking people still support the cafes they don't need to sit outside to enjoy regarding seating, what you have done outside and around natwest bank is a lovely seating area which is very popular you could widen the paths slightly in corn market so you could put the same style of seating as what you done outside natwest with post to hang hanging basket of flowers down the cornmarket which would make it look nice in both winter and summer and when the parking is reinstalled then i would be able to bring my husband like i use to to enjoy lunch out as he is disabled and to far for him to walk from butchers street car park.
372. I have restrictions to physical ability and do not qualify for a blue badge. I used to park in Mercer row or cornmarket and could shop in butchers, bakers, hardware stores in Louth without the need that carry heavy shopping any distance I no longer have that facility
373. The parklets have caused delays put something more in keeping in the Cornemarket.
374. To support local small shops.
375. When attempting to shop in louth, parking spaces are at a minimum. I love the local shops, and buy from all but cannot carry it all home so need to take my car. If I cannot park I cannot shop.
376. Travel scheme changes are frustrating, particularly in the evening where before you could pull up in mercer row to pick up a takeaway.
377. Trying to get through town and find somewhere park close to town these days is a nightmare and im aware many other like myself have now started shopping online\elsewhere more. And disabled cars are parking\blocking the road further up on the narrowest part of the road too! Traffic issues are a lot worse now than before this scheme was put in place! The cafe culture in the cornmarket is barely used and always looks empty when it's not a market day too which seems such a waste of space that was always bustling before creating more trade with local business due to people being able to nip in to shops. I have heard so many business have lost trade from this ridiculous scheme that should never have been implemented, the old saying if its not broke don't fix it comes to mind!
378. Variety of shops
379. We need free parking back, town is absolutely empty as people liked to pop into town to get essentials
380. Because I can't park easily and just nip in for essentials!
381. I am disabled and can not walk far so I find it very difficult to find parking so shops are in my walking range
382. Only because it is my local town with lots of independent businesses that need the support. I do NOT think the ATS has made any positive reaction. The seating on Mercer Row is ridiculous and a waste of tax payers money. During the day cars could have been parked there and money would have been spent in the local shops.
383. I love to shop in Louth, but lack of short term parking near the market place is an issue. I can't walk or cycle into town (8 miles) and am too old to be carrying my purchases from the market for long distances.
384. Parking has to be available for people who aren't able to walk too far. But apart from that the installations as they are, are very ugly and are causing more congestion
385. Louth will never have everything we need because shops are to small , but I support the ones we have
386. I can no longer stop quickly and pick up bits and pieces like I once did. I am not happy to spend money on a car park (unless the first hour was free). I can't carry goods I once bought eg cat litter from the pet shop to my car and so no longer am able to support this business. Having once been able to pop in and pop out of town at the end of a work day, I simply can't. The parklets are an eyesore and not in keeping and ridiculously placed. Some disabilities do not, under current rules, have allocation for a blue badge. I know 3

people who fall under this category who are not able to secure a car parking space close enough to where they need to be.

387. I want to shop where I live I feel the parklets would better suited to Mablethorpe or Sutton on Sea
388. due to a very bad mobile signal, from most mobile networks, am only able to visit when i have finished work, and by then majority of the town is closed.
389. I dislike the busy traffic along all the main shopping streets. I can't think of another town where so little effort has been made to rid the centre of traffic.
390. Love Louth my family home for 60 years x
391. Theres very little parking just to nip to when on break from work
392. Still need to keep appointments within Louth and continue to visit for those on a regular basis. However, with parking spaces being reduced I no longer wish to do shopping in Louth.
393. Louth is or was a pleasant market town The so called cafe culture in the market place is a joke....uninviting seating outside certain cafes no shelter from rain or sun ..what happened to the floral tubs. The parklets are surely a joke. In fact everyone I have spoken to think they are. Have they been tested for their health and safety aspects. Has any one measured the level of pollution any one sitting there is subjected to. Has any one monitored the problem this is causing to traffic, especially delivery vans. Also pedestrians are tending to treat mercer row as a pedestrianised area ....not good for drivers I feel so sorry for our shop keepers
394. I like to shop in Louth as there is a good mix of shops and I want to support businesses (independent and otherwise)
395. I like to shop in Louth for convenience. 30 minute parking spaces are useful for running errands. If people can't park, they go out of town instead which increases traffic pollution overall thereby defeating the object of this scheme.
396. Lovely shops cheap car parks plenty of car parks
397. I like to shop in louth but because of the parking and mostly needing to park for 15mins to pop into chemist/shop for things I tend to go less or not bother.
398. I think it is right to develop a cafe culture style in our towns - vehicles and cars particularly have dominated the space for too long and it is time to claim back some of the town centre for other pedestrian activities. I understand some have difficulty walking but disabled parking, mobility scooters and wheelchairs are available. It is right to improve the ambience in Louth town centre. I have known the town all my life (over 50 years) and my recent visits to the town have impressed me with the range of independent shops and the variety of retail and other businesses available. A pleasure to visit and enjoy. These changes are the right way to improve the town centre even more. Over time they will present opportunities for the surrounding businesses to use the space creatively to enhance their businesses.
399. It's boring same old shops . Multiples of the same shops .. need to travel out for scent stuff .. stuck in the old times
400. Much more pleasant as a pedestrian with no parking on Mercer Row at all
401. Good range of independent shops
402. I continue to shop in louth to support independent shops and the local economy. I am concerned of the negative impact the scheme is having and potential closure of shops as a result.
403. Lack of free parking for up to 30 mins especially for people with mobility problems that are not classed as disabled/ blue badge
404. Awful layout and dangerous
405. I like to shop in Louth because of the independent shops
406. My elderly parent can't walk far and not being able to park on Mercer Row is not helpful at all.
407. I will not shop or bank in louth as parking is too far away! Only [REDACTED] benefit from this ridiculous scheme. Obviously the town council are to frightened to speak out about this ridiculous idea. Do the town council have shares in either of these businesses?, It seems like it! IF IT'S NOT BROKEN, DON'T FIX IT! The council have broken it, so fix it!!!!!!
408. Great independent shops but the evening/night-time economy has been made more difficult to use by this scheme.

409. I DISLIKE SHOPPING AND VISITING LOUTH TOWN CENTRE! The uncertainty of being able to park in the carparks, and having to park away from the town centre. I have limited mobility, And do not qualify for a blue badge! I just can't physically walk to or from the car parks!! It seems this ridiculous idea only benefits [REDACTED] at the detriment to all the other town centre businesses and visitors
410. I do not like to shop in Louth since this scheme was introduced because I am not prepared to pay for parking just to pick my prescriptions up, or just to go into one shop for one item. I think it's worth considering that many people can't afford to pay for parking just to pick up their prescriptions (especially with rising food prices and energy bills).
411. Like - independent shops Dislike - not enough free parking
412. Convenient, like local shops and market.
413. Support local businesses
414. I love to shop in Louth but since no short term parking on Mercer Rows or Market Place I tend not to use the shops like I used to. The shops will end up closing if the council continues with its 18 month plan.
415. I like to shop and visit Louth as it offers good choice of smaller independent shops - there are lots of eating places and there are some many places of interest and different designs of builds old and new. If people had the choice to walk around the area mentioned without the fee of being run over by vehicles than more people would visit Louth. All carparks are accessible without going through the centre of town - there just needs better signage around the roads to show the way to carparks.
416. I dislike coming into Louth because seeing the changes makes me angry that LCC is damaging local independent traders' businesses. However, in order to support these, I do still shop in Louth.
417. I don't shop much in Louth, it's pavements are trip hazards and the town is very grubby. And parking is a nightmare! I usually shop in Grimsby, Lincoln or Horncastle.
418. I need to support all the small shops on Mercer Row plus Boots, Lloyd's etc. Without parking some of these will be replaced by empty ugly fronts. Me & many residents & visitors who have mobility problems cannot access the shops now due to the new arrangements.
419. Dislike the increase in traffic going through the centre of town, an a resident so enjoy shopping in Louth
420. Having to pay for parking - it should be free to encourage shoppers and visitors to come and spend money in the town for the benefit of small businesses
421. Like to shop in a traditional town with cafe culture and street furniture built locally by tradesmen....perhaps a traditional bandstand in the corn market.
422. It's more convenient for me as am a resident in Louth
423. I have shopped in Louth the last 50 yeares, has I work there why would I travel
424. I find visiting the shops in Louth difficult with my young family. The pavements are not wide enough for the number of pedestrians and it's a constant battle to walk whilst herding my two children to try and keep to one side. Quite frequently I have to ask the older one to walk infront of me, in single file and I'll still end up in the road to get past or around people or an obstruction. The car parks around the town itself are ok and I am ok with the current charges. The town centre would be a fantastic place if it was fully pedestrianised but I don't see how it could be achieved. We recently moved to Marshchapel after holidaying in Louth (at Kenwick Park) for 10 years, so this is proof that we love this area and want to raise our family here. But to be honest, we mostly go to Grimsby and Cleethorpes because Louth for us in this stage of life is not fun at all, it's actually quite stressful to walk around because of all the traffic. I did see lots of older people using the Cornmarket area today for the cafe culture and it was nice to see.
425. I walk into town so no problems for me with parking
426. I am a blue badge holder and pensioner and a life long resident of Louth. I really want to keep my independence. The scheme has made that impossible. I can't walk any distance - no drop off points either so cut off from Opticians, bank, butchers, paper/card shop shoe shop etc. result being Louth shops have missed out on my custom which now has to be online. Wrecking any idea after a long time shielding of social interactions when shopping. When I do meet friends socially I now meet them out of town where I can park.

427. I prefer to shop & visit Louth, the town of my birth, however since the imposition of this idiotic 'scheme' I am unable to do so. I have very bad hips and cannot walk much distance at all. Now I go to Alford or Mablethorpe, where very good parking facilities exist. So...a number of Louth traders have totally lost my business, and I am not the only one. Coupled with the horrifying increased costs of power & other services, we can expect businesses to close...come winter Louth could likely die. A death positively wanted by the clowns in Lincoln based LCC, obviously. Who is going to pay their absurd 'business rates' then?
428. My main reason is I like Louth's shops and I like Louth as a town.
429. I could quickly shop in several shops on my way to work with the 30 minute parking. I haven't used some of these shops since the parking was removed. I shopped online instead for some items. I want to support Louth's indepen but I have limited time. LI
430. Congestion on Mercer Row, lack of free short time parking, too many empty shops, too many charity shops.
431. Difficulties in parking made worse by this latest scheme, which make me more inclined to go to out-of-town shops where parking is less of an issue.
432. Friendly and suitable shops to use
433. We moved to Horncastle in March 2021, so did not know it before. Louth is a very good town to visit and shop in. It is equidistant to Boston for us and feels much safer and less hurried, we love the choice of independent shops and cafes/restaurants. However, if we want big chains such as Dunelm we go to Boston but not necessarily the town centre. I am happy for bikes and people to be prioritised over cars. Parking charges seem very reasonable and parking adequate. To be honest I often wish we had decided to live in Louth rather than Horncastle!
434. No longer shop in the town because I cannot park for 30 minutes I find the shopping is too heavy for me to carry to a car park as I am not disabled enough to have blue badge but have had major spinal injury in the past
435. nearest town
436. I dislike shopping and stopping in Louth town centre. There should be more pedestrianisation and limits placed on cars in Louth. It's a beautiful town and is spoilt immensely by allowing cars to drive through the centre. There are already large car parks and these are short walks to the shops. No mention is made of air pollution and the harm to health from cars. Nor has the town encouraged cycling which reduces the need to drive. I regularly cycle to Louth and limit my time in the town centre due to the lac of secure cycle parking and the hostile and dangerous environment produced by cars. Nor does the council seem to understand active travel is about encouraging cycling and walking for health and environmental reasons. It's not just about seating! Louth is a compact small town which should encourage as many of its residents s possible to walk or cycle. Local deliveries from local businesses should be encouraged by using e cargo bikes. E bike use for those who don't like the thought of cycling far. I think you also need to talk to places like Stamford which are encouraging active travel by cycling and walking and are not obsessed about seating BTW. Also note that where low traffic neighbourhoods have been established local businesses have more business not less. Much of the problem here is through ignorance and an unwillingness to address air pollution, encourage healthy lifestyles or think there is any alternative to using a car.
437. The roads are becoming more and more congested with people parking where they shouldn't. Also kids in the road on Mercer Road leaning up the outsides of the horrible yellow seating
438. I object to being part of a scheme, the purpose of which is a continuation of the campaign against individual and personal transport (IE cars).
439. Louth is not the South of France give up trying looks so stupid
440. I see the beginnings of pedestrianisation happening and I do not like it and will not support it.
441. I think it's a great thing that you are trialing a new parklette, great colour scheme that's fresh and very vibrant, perfect location. Well done to all that took part in the consideration. Can only hope the scheme is carried further to neighbouring villages like Alford. Thankyou.
442. As per my previous comments - if you have young children with you, it's convenient to park centrally for shopping. We don't all have the luxury being able to go anywhere by ourselves leaving children at home!



I love Louth and want to see it thriving. Put the parklets in th Cornmarket as part of the Cafe culture - they would support the smaller cafe/food establishments who don't have many tables/space.

443. As a member of the blue badge brigade as I have heard it been called recently I am thankful you have reinstated 3 parking spaces as getting parked for chemist or bank was difficult. It is a little better but maybe remove the parklets to cornmarket and re-instate all parking on Mercer Row. They are a danger where they are now. They have become a magnet for teens, I have seen some very close misses of teens standing in the road. I dont want to witness an accident or hear of one. When there was no parking on Mercer Row the town was bottle necked on the narrowest part at the start of Eastgate If there were lorry deliveries or buses. STANDSTILL. Sorry unable to attend on the 13th.
444. Louth has a good mix of local independent traders, these need visitors (not just cafe culture people) to be able to access their businesses. Short term immediate access parking is essential for some of these to do business.
445. It is my closest town and I feel the shopping facilities on offer support what I required.
446. I live close to the town centre so shopping locally is convenient and I do so on foot. I shop locally for electrical goods using family businesses which give you a personal friendly service with instant back up if needed. Louth needs to maintain its history and continue to attract visitors because of how unique we are. We have an attractive town centre that in itself will attract tourism and increase footfall. What's been in place so far with the ATS has not encouraged visitors to the town. It has had the opposite effect and is damaging.
447. I cannot walk 4.5 miles into town, I used to drive in, park up in the 30 minute bays and nip into the shop\vs I needed too. Now, I have to pay to park in a car park outside of the centre and walk in, so I don't bother, I order online and get it delivered. I can't even nip in for a coffee without paying for parking now. This council is decimating our market town. LCC shouldn't have this much power over a town clearly against its ideas and ELDC don't have a clue full stop.
448. Like the variety of shops and ease of access. My travel agent and optician are here. Use the speciality food shops and cafes.
449. I love buying from independent traders. Some of them I have known for decades. They offer products and produce that's hard to find elsewhere, and the prices are very good indeed.
450. The lack of atmosphere in the cornmarket. It just looks and feels wrong.
451. Removing parking outside of shops in Louth has made visiting Louth difficult. Independent traders must be supported in Louth and Louth must keep its character. Shoppers must have direct access.
452. I want to be abke to make a quick visit into a shop Also have a parent with a blue badge and this has made it extremely difficult to bring her into town which is so unfair
453. I live close to town centre and very rarely use my car to visit.
454. i live in the centre of town so can walk ..the parklets are just an eyesore and traffic hazzard also they need a litter bin on them poor design and poor colour
455. I generally walk to town from where I live but family and neighbours rely on parking in Louth and are unable to use public transport so need to use disabled parking spaces. I prefer to shop local to keep our local business going.
456. I am a disabled driver, I drove to Louth and parking situation was impossible for me, so drove home. I believe I have a right to go shopping, unaccompanied, I do not feel Louth wants to welcome shoppers with walking difficulties, just cyclists and walkers.
457. Nowhere to park so I shop elsewhere!
458. Love Louth
459. I like to shop in Louth - fuel costs prohibit travelling to other towns
460. I struggle to shop in Louth now as no close parking - there needs to be a closer car park with at least free parking up to 1hr to encourage local shoppers to shop in the town to shop. Alford is managing to do this! The town will not survive if local people cannot park for free for a short period of time, even the able bodied. The Cattle market car park is too far for people to walk with there shopping bags from town. It is killing the local businesses - the traffic wardens too! Common sense is needed, no parking near Barleys bank,

card factory - red lines - taxi rank to be only 2 cars too - to keep the traffic flowing - where is old [REDACTED] the traffic warden!

461. I love sitting in the corn market having coffee
462. It is by far the nearest shopping centre to Welton le Wold, and I like the variety of businesses, especially some of the smaller ones.
463. I have moved to Louth and like to support local, but have watched footfall and business suffer due to the I'll thought out implemented current arrangement
464. I like to shop local
465. Because it is a beautiful market town with a good choice if independent traders
466. I'm a manager for a shop in Louth also a resident. I care for my mid 80s mum who had a stroke and a heart condition. I spend 3 or 4 times driving around town on busy days to find a parking space as she can't walk at great distance.
467. It is a traditional market town with many sole traders and was accessible to locals for quick visits to the banks and chemist etc. It is a charming Conservation Area town, now made a joke with totally inappropriate furniture.
468. No parking
469. I don't drive so it doesn't effect me.
470. When the parking was taken away from Mercer row it was much better travelling through but I feel as a person who likes walking and cycling you are up against a very militant bunch who believe that letting someone be able to Park bang outside a Shop and spend 5 mins in store will some how be better for the town than someone spending a hour or 2
471. I like to support the already excellent businesses in my home town. I do not have a problem with parking in the existing car parks which are all close to the town centre.
472. I am a Yorkshire man who moved to this lovely county, people make fun of Lincolnshire people, calling them carrot crunchers and yellow bellies, I love OUR county, I dislike any situation where idiot councillors make us a laughing stock. The people who voted in favour of this should have to pay for it. Almost 70K, you could not make it up???
473. I like to shop in Louth but now only do so if I have an appointment, I can't walk very far due to illnesses, I get very breathless and need to park close to the Cornmarket. Disabled places are always full. The ones in Market place are not wide disabled places a d cars parked there without a disabled badge but never see parking ticket on them.
474. My 95 year old partner is in a wheelchair he needs to go to Specsavers on a regular basis.As a carer, because the disabled parking is now so restricted I find it disgusting that you think that anyone would want to lay on a bed inhaling vehicle fumes.what are the people on the council thinking of.
475. Uncertainty every time we visit - Louth was always special and should be kept this way.
476. Cafe culture is lovely, it's much easier to get a table as there's additional space. And to bring a dog (ours is large). But there needs to be investment to make it sustainable all year round, eg. Canopies and patio heaters etc.
477. I walk through the Town Centre quite often as I live nearby. In my mind the best thing Louth could do is re-employ a road sweeper with a barrow. (Low paid manual worker). Relying on volunteers is wrong when the various councils employ managers and consultants. (Highly paid non workers!). Maybe have periodic steam cleaning/jet washing of the pavements.
478. This new scheme has made it very difficult to get to the shops I like to spend my money as I cannot walk far.
479. Even though I live in Horncastle, I used to shop in Louth every week, because it had a wonderful market, was a very busy and bustling town, since the introduction of the new scheme, 'Where has everyone gone'? Market has reduced dramatically in size and people have disappeared. If I didn't come on market days, parking was quite easy and near to the shops, so you didn't have to carry your heavy shopping miles, very convenient. But not any more. Sorry but those new seats are so unsightly and so out of place not in keeping with this once lovely market town. Having to push someone around in a wheel chair is quite difficult

as it is, but now we have to avoid, table, chairs, and the market stalls seem to have been brought into the Market Place and the Corn Market is empty!

480. The new system is a major problem when trying to shop at the butchers and the chemist when shopping with my disabled father, who lives in Louth
481. I pay my rates and object to having to pay to park to go to my bank or pick up a prescription. It isn't just the money it's the time involved. I have always tried to shop locally in butchers and greengrocers.
482. A quick lunchtime visit to pay bills etc is compounded by the lack of parking in the town centre, so I do not visit during the week
483. Only pop into Louth if absolutely necessary during lunchtime or after work
484. I like the local shops, want to support the town and local businesses, whether they be retailers, cafes or pub/restaurants, and having an elderly mother to shop with/for, to be able to park near the businesses I wish to spend my money with.
485. I love to shop in Louth but being disabled find it practically impossible to park near enough the shops to make it a viable option for me - I am very disappointed to say that Louth is not very disabled friendly. If the whole of Mercer Row was made disabled parking I feel that would help.
486. I am neutral - the town centre is dying and this scheme is not helping. The summertime cafe culture in the Cornmarket is acceptable and sensible IF and only IF the cafes make full use of it WHICH THEY ARE NOT. I am not one that demands national big names come to the town - that serves no purpose - the town can only thrive on hardworking independent and diverse shops and businesses which will enhance the town's appeal NOT ridiculous and frivolous items of street furniture.
487. Personally, as a worker, I found parking free in the cornmarket area ideal. This meant I could pop into the shops before work (I have a 20 minute window prior to my start time) to get the necessities needed. I, since the scheme has started have not done so, for 1, I am not paying £1, nor have the time to faff for what may be a 10/15 minute nip into a shop. Therefore, my money has been taken away from the shops in Louth and spent elsewhere. The Parklets are a hideous eyesore
488. No parking for short stays.
489. Because parking and accessibility is too difficult. Back to the way it was please.
490. I used to use for butcher's and independent stores but parking is nowhere near so convenient for a 5min shop.
491. We live here
492. Louth is unique in that it still has a thriving high street and this needs to be treasured and supported by all otherwise it will be its demise.
493. Traditional independent shops which give a wholesome community feel of good and well being and the sense of helping small and local businesses.
494. I am 81 and not as mobile as I would like but drive. There are insufficient parking spaces close enough to centre of town for necessary visits to essential services such as bank, chemists, newsagents etc. which I use. Strongly feel other car parks should allow free periods of parking at least to allow for such visit as seem to work well in other towns, relieving some short term spaces and quick turnover. My disabled daughter can rarely find anywhere to park and so does more business online. There are going to be more disabled as we age as a society and this should be a priority consideration.
495. I find it difficult to find a parking space near enough to the shops I need to use as I am disabled but like to walk as much as I am able.
496. Vibrant, fun and accessible. Particularly on market & event days.
497. Fewer parked cars causing traffic disruption
498. I cannot walk far for health reasons and cannot park near the shops.
499. The reduction in cars in fact there should be no traffic allowed at all! I personally believe that Mercer Row/Cornmarket and through to Fish Shambles should be pedestrianised. It is getting increasingly dangerous in the centre for pedestrians and not just disabled and it would allow for a larger market and encourage more people to visit Louth. Other towns have done so successfully and to suggest it would affect business is ludicrous. The 'parklets' look out of place because they are clearly meant to be placed in paved areas! As a town we cannot stagnate or move backwards. This scheme might not be perfect and we need

further consultation with residents, businesses and visitors to determine the way forward...but not just the opinions of the usual suspects - the vocal minority in the town for whom any change is an anathema. These people are more Luddites than Ludensians!

500. Feels safe with less cars with good atmosphere
501. I enjoy being able to walk into the Cornmarket & not think about cars, use the shops, market & sometimes get a coffee to sit with friends. It is what makes the town feel special & there is a good atmosphere. There are plenty of car parks nearby if I need them.
502. I have been using town shops less and less as being able to pop and park in town or corn market for a few bits which may be awkward or heavy to carry back to one of the main car parks puts me off so I go to Grimsby or Lincoln. I would prefer to support local though. As previously stated make car parks free for 30 mins or an hour more people would use them and visit the town. The "park lets" are terrible and I am disgusted they were not made locally. As they are bought now put them in corn market but remove when the café culture season ends due to weather change.
503. I cannot drop by quickly into town and nip into shops if you can quickly grab a space, so go to supermarket out of town or different town instead. Therefore corporate like tesco or lidl get my business instead of local shops, which I object too. Also limits my shopping experience and means I cannot buy quality products from butchers etc just supermarket food so changing my lifestyle negatively. Town is also too quiet now, so the shopping experience I so enjoyed has disappeared. Lots of older people can no longer park due to their mobility, which is changing their lives too and is sad as some of them only had social contact when nipping to get their paper in town or going to the bank they could park right outside. Such a shame, happy for new ideas and like the parks but they are FAR too expensive and could have been produced a lot more economically. They should however be sited in a less dangerous place like the cornmarket which could mean they are painted less brightly as are not as likely to be subject to a road traffic accident. This would blend in better with the character of the town. I would happily use them if located away from the road and people do appear to be using them, however so close to the traffic is not safe unless the road is pedestrianised completely, which again without provision for A LOT more convenient parking will not work. New ideas need to be tried but I think this time are a little wide of the mark with the parklets. I also think the cornmarket should be used for the cafe culture say May to Septemeber, but in the winter the parking should be reinstated so as not to waste the space as no one sits outside in the winter. Last year seemed to work fine for this so perhaps the same again this winter? Well done for trying but need some tweaks and a more viable supplier of the parklets as they are just FAR too expensive and not good use of Council money, which we work so hard to pay. Thanks for reading my concerns and I hope that people are polite with their suggestions as the feeling is strong but does not need to be aggressive towards you.
504. Dislike the appalling parking which is prevelant opposite the fish shambles and along eastgate. Blue badge or not, it should not be tolerated!
505. The reduced parking has drastically reduced the amount of visits I make to Louth in the week. I used to pop into town most lunchtimes, now I go only once or twice a week and sometimes if I am picking up pet food from Newmarket don't stop in the centre if there are no free spaces.
506. Saves fuel of going anywhere else, and also like to walk in to town.
507. Too many charity shops and coffee shops and high rents driving out other potential high street retailers. We've lost two main banks and are likely to lose more
508. Good, butchers and individual shops.
509. Husband disabled, myself almost 70, as the parking was it was ok to shop in Louth, but now not able to shop in Louth, born and bred in Louth, even my 93 and 88 year old parents are totally against the park let's totally not in keeping with the town, businesses losing out from no footfall, and no parking, Louth has a big majority of older and disabled people, now not venturing into town, we will soon be a ghost town, even my teenage grandchildren are laughing at the seating, benches with nice little side tables made by local firms would be much better, situated in the corn market.
510. Friendly staff
511. It's all very walkable and could be even better with more limited car use through the Main Street.
512. I still prefer to support local businesses as much as I can during these very difficult times.

513. Mercer Row parking was perfect for popping into shops like I did yesterday whilst parking in a Loading Area - to make a purchase from Moshulu show shop. If I hadn't parked illegally I would have foregone my purchase this affecting local trade
514. I love shopping in Louth but popping in has become impossible!
515. There is nowhere to park for a few minutes when picking up food or needing to check balances on ATM. We used to go for breakfast every Sunday in the town centre, we now travel out to the Starbucks on Fairfield which is a shame to line the pockets of national chains rather than local providers. We'd often pick up a few bits in the local newsagents while we were passing. We also cannot park near enough to the Helal restaurant to get the takeaway food home while still hot, so we now go to Wetherspoons or go without.
516. I live here in Louth so use the local facilities. I prefer it since less cars as pavements so narrow. Would like to explore pedestrianising the main town centre, as with all the mobility scooters and people with dogs, you end up having to walk in the road to get around or avoid people.
517. No parking at top end of town. I am an ex Louth resident and still bank in Louth ( Lloyds) and visit family. It's just so difficult for a 20 minute town visit now. I spend probably 80% less in Louth shops now.
518. Access to parking due to disability
519. I have stopped shopping at the Mercer Row, Cornmarket end of town and instead have adapted my shopping to the far end of town with on street parking. As a busy working parent I do not have the luxury of time to spend endless hours wandering around the town so the 30 minute on street parking helps me support the local businesses. Instead I am forced to head out to the supermarkets and the industrial estate where parking is free and plentiful. The so called parklets are an eyesore and a hazard certainly not in keeping with our beautiful town. I have observed with interest how they have been used over the past week which include skateboard and BMX ramps
520. I work full time. I have 30 minutes maximum for a break. This allows me time to quickly park on Mercer Row or the Cornmarket. I can go to the butchers, nip to the bank pick up prescriptions or contact lenses. My mum could previously independently park, go to the bank, building society, opticians, butchers. You have through your scheme disabled her, rather than enabled her. I now have to do her shopping which I do out of Louth. I have the opticians post my lenses out rather than collect and spend time in other shops. I do my banking on line. You have killed Louth. Yes you have reduced traffic but that's because we don't come anymore! We spend our money elsewhere because of your scheme. I love Louth butchers but it's easier for me to order online from a large supermarket now. You have prevented carers just being able to run into Boots for a prescription. This has to have been the most poorly thought out scheme ever wasting our money as tax payers. You should be ashamed of yourselves!
521. Poor pavements. Poor parking / cost Many closed shops
522. I like to shop in Louth. I dislike too many cars blocking Mercer Row and at the narrowest point near the shambles. Bring in free carparking for first half hour in Town Hall carpark.
523. I support local businesses
524. Not enough variety.
525. Because it is or was an authentic functioning market town.
526. Impossible to park.
527. Now have to get someone ie the other half to drop me off to do the shopping in Mercer Row and pick me up when I have finished.
528. You can't park for a few minutes and nip into a shop so now use shops away from Louth
529. Not able to walk long distances, and refuse to pay for parking along way from the mercer row corn market area. Used to park and nip into the bank and butchers
530. The removal of the 30 minute parking bays is a real hindrance. I would routinely visit 3 times a week, park up and buy from at least three shops. I am no longer able to do that. I do not have time to come in for a 'big shop', now both I, and the retailers where I used to shop, including the coffee shops, are missing out.
531. I used to make use of the parking in Mercer Row to nip to the bank or chemist and was easy when I brought my elderly mother in to town. We now avoid the centre of town shops and go to Tesco in New Waltham. I would love to support our excellent local shops but I cannot have my mum walking long distances.

532. I like to shop in Louth but feel that I am being driven towards the supermarkets due to difficulties in finding a short term....i.e. 20 to 30 minutes, parking space.
533. Parking difficult, lots of disabled cars parked near old barclays bank causing mayhem!
534. I used to enjoy a quick nip into town as I do not want to wander around ,this has been stopped by taking away the cornmarket and mercer row parking . Louth feels totally against drivers and disabled. I Don't get why cafe culture is being forced on everyone in this town , I live in Louth and don't want to drink coffee in the road ! I now only come to town for prescriptions , all shopping is now done online , well done to all who had this unbelievable scheme, feel very sad about what is being done to a beautiful town .
535. I can no longer get my disabled husband close enough to his bank or to shop in the indoor market so we no longer visit louth
536. Lack of parking and don't feel comfortable having to trek halfway across town to get what I need when I could have spent 30 minutes on Mercer Row or in the Cornmarket. I'm worried that the NatWest Bank will close like all the others have too due to lack of footfall as a result of not being able to park nearby
537. I support local independent shops.
538. I am a proud Ludensian, having lived here all my life. Unfortunately the choice for shopping in Louth is very limited. I do not use coffee shops or charity shops, and prefer to support smaller local businesses rather than the larger shops, with the exception of supermarket shopping.
539. Like because all the shops I need are reasonably available
540. I dislike the lack of short stay parking
541. If you just need to nip in a shop no where to park for 10 mins. I stay out of town when not working
542. I live here and support local businesses
543. Close to home and convenient. Town centre within walking distance.
544. The town is being killed off by not encouraging people to visit and stay. Sitting in the middle of the road is not safe. I used to enjoy shopping in Louth - ghost town now
545. Parking costs for only dropping things off or picking up. The traffic wardens are rather unpleasant.
546. Support local businesses
547. Lack of short term parking
548. Good quality butchers and greengrocers
549. Safer streets - Mercer Row - and much better atmosphere with pedestrian friendly Cornmarket. I would like to see Mercer Row completely pedestrianised, the Cornmarket having permanent infrastructure such as planters, heaters for the pavement cafe ms etc. This works brilliantly in central European cities
550. I support the active travel scheme - I am going into town less and less over the last few years because of all the noise from souped up cars and motorbikes hooning through Mercer Row and Eastgate. It is so much more pleasant to go shopping in towns such as Beverley where there is pedestrian zone along the high street
551. It's local, a nice diverse level if shops, I like to support local businesses if possible.
552. We are a market town we need visitors to use our shops or we will lose them
553. Too busy with cars at all time of day. The pavements are only just wide enough for prams or mobility scooters without walking in the road. I would recommend shutting Mercer Row to traffic and letting buses and taxis still turn outside greggs
554. no disabled parking
555. Love eating out in the Cornmarket and would do in winter if heaters provided. All the eateries facing the market place are small so extra covers will help them be sustainable and it's healthier re Covid
556. There is nowhere now to park for just half hour while you opt to the butchers , chemist etc , we live in Louth not visiting we live here all year round why do people who don't even live here want to make it so difficult and expensive for us to get our basic essentials from the town centre . Be very careful trying to make it visitor friendly and loose your all year round trade . I try to shop local as much as possible please don't put even more obstacles in the way .
557. I like to shop in Louth because of the small independent shops in the town especially in Mercer row which because of the current restrictions need all the help they can get.
558. Due to the removal of the short term free parking

559. I am fortunate in that I am able to walk into town - no mobility or parking issues. However, I despair for elderly or disabled individuals. Also, the parklets are not inkeeping with our Georgian town and are a major safety concern
560. I love Louth's character. It is a rare market town and should be developed sympathetically rather than apply normal town centre development solutions. Apply intelligence to the task and gain co-operation and consensus prior to implementation.
561. I am over 60. I am not disabled so do not qualify for a blue badge. However I am no longer physically capable of carrying shopping uphill to the free Newmarket car park. The Cornmarket free parking was wonderful. As a permanent resident I hugely object to paying for short-term parking in my own town. Disabled people are very well catered for but what about the rest of us? Why the hell should I pay to park when my shopping will only take a few moments? In an attempt to attract visitors, the council is alienating its own community. £60,000 for those pathetic parklets? Would be far better to offer us free short-term parking. They can't say they can't afford it as they've obviously got money to throw away.
562. Streets safer to cross. Cafe culture a bonus and great for Louth. Could be developed more. Really centre of town ought to be pedestrianised. No safe storage for push bikes.
563. Nice local shops
564. Decreased parking options and increased council parking surveillance
565. Lack of disabled parking makes shopping difficult. Plenty of disabled parking in Grimsby.
566. I am disabled and cannot park easily at the cornmarket end of town every day.
567. Lack of parking for my disabled wife. Forced to walk from Town Hall carpark.
568. Like - it is my nearest shopping venue a lovely historic town
569. I have really enjoyed being able to visit the Corn Market without all the parked cars. It makes for a much more pleasant environment. The fewer cars there are in the town centre the better. This scheme could have been done so much better though and organised more efficiently. Much is made about Louth being a Georgian market town and a proper car free market square is in keeping with this. There is plenty of parking in Louth which may add 5 mins to peoples Journey, and I just cant see how this would impact footfall in the ways claimed. personally I never drive into town I always walk. LCC have been appalling as has so have Louth Town Council. I have written to my councillors and two of them point blank refuse to respond - [REDACTED] which i find really poor for local representatives. The only responsive councillor has [REDACTED]. There has also been much made about loss of footfall but I had to queue for 20 mins to get into a mercer road shop on a non market day so I do wonder. On a final note we all to be aware of environmental changes and the need to change our habits. We should embrace this now rather than having it forced on us later. I also disagree residents and businesses get seperate forms - all views should be given the same consideration.
570. Like - lovely selection of shops (at present - until they start to shut because we cannot reach them).
571. Like: because it is my nearest shopping venue and has a lovely range of shops. This is one of the reasons we moved here 20 something years ago. However, I cannot cycle into Louth as I used to - the A16 (north) is far too dangerous nowadays and no cycle lanes (convert old railway line??). Cannot use bus as I could not manage a week's shopping on it. Do not want to shop more often - too time-consuming. The nice seats at the side of NatWest are very comfortable (unlike the new monstrosities) and we could do with more of them around the town. I cannot think what the traders in Mercer Row think at the moment but I would not be surprised if any shut up shop. If I need heavy stuff from the pet shop I have to have a car as I cannot carry it.
572. I am a blue badge holder and unable to walk far so not being able to park near the shops I haven't shopped in Louth since the alterations.
573. Impossible to park and town centre is less accessible and character of town has been spoiled
574. I can no longer access any of them easily. I don't like crossing the deserted cormarket in the evenings to get my car, as I no longer feel it's safe after I leave a restaurant or pub
575. No short stay parking available,
576. Since the removal of the spaces on Mercer row and Market place I have not been able to access the shops I need to (barbers/chemist/Boyes etc). More frustratingly Boots chemist. I have had to fork out £10

per month for my bulky, heavy prescription to be delivered since they removed the spaces where before the removal of these spaces I could collect them bit by bit. My health conditions mean I cannot walk very far and certainly could not carry 35kg of weight to a carpark further than the market place because this requires several trips to my car. So I can no longer shop in Louth.

577. Being male my usual kind of shopping is as follows , Park car , walk to required shop , make purchase ,walk back to car , drive home . 10 minutes ,15 max , so Cornmarket parking was ideal for me , currently ,95% of the time I now have to pay for a minimum of 1 hours parking .Should be 25 p, it's not really about the amount , but on principle I don't see why I should be Ripped Off by LCC just because theyve been Ripped Off for the cost of the tacky looking seating they've bought in Europe . Were our own Interskill or other local businesses given the opportunity to quote ?
578. I love the variety of shops including independent and chains
579. I have not felt able to tick any of the above. As my husband is a blue badge holder we are restricted as to when we go into Louth, especially on market days. This is a great shame as we were regular shoppers in Louth.
580. It is a pleasant traditional market town and any development should be in keeping with the character of the town. These parklets are a blot on the town and prevent the elderly in particular using local shops and will destroy local businesses
581. More difficult for disabled people to get around town.
582. Lovely old market town and a pleasure to shop in. I can get most of what I need in Louth.
583. Looks a mess. "Cafe culture" is just empty seating. No shops aimed at younger people. Not enough chain stores such as Poundland or primark.
584. I live in the town and walk in. At the moment there are plenty of independent shops, selling almost anything you might require. The historical town has it's charm. I've heard many comments from people coming into to town for the day that it's lovely just like our town used to be but no longer is. Louth must be allowed to keep it's unique character and not be ruined with uncalled for eyesores.
585. Lack of parking. Driving around trying to find a space when just want to visit butcher's etc. Disabled now park in the 30 minute spaces for upto to 3hours the 30 minute spaces should be just that.
586. Although I think twice about 'popping into town' from where I live (towards the edge of Louth) as the cormarket free parking choice has gone.
587. Cannot park whete I want to. Total lack of consultation. I only have an hour for lunch. It takes me 15 minutes to drive in each way leaving just 30 minutes to do what I need to do. Parking on mercercrow and corn Market is vital to support the town centre businesses. It's I'm practical for me to cycle in, or park half a mile away due to my health.
588. Since the restrictions have been put in place I no longer shop in the Center of Town as I can no longer park quickly
589. I've lived here for 25 years, and I don't have transport to travel elsewhere I love louth but I think it should retain its conservation status and not be spoiled
590. Difficult to shop with elderly relative.
591. Local independent shops
592. We can walk into the town centre from our house. We very rarely use the car for this journey.
593. Parking is more difficult as limited spaces available, even in car parks.
594. The Cornmarket should be Louth's main focus, not Mercer Row. Cafe Culture requires the success of businesses and cafés. The Active Travel Scheme appears to have caused the closure of businesses. Time limited parking should be available around the Cornmarket, including disabled parking (max 2 hours). Disabled parking should be banned opposite Eve and Ranshaw.
595. Personally, the Active Travel Scheme has not affected me visiting Louth as I don't need to park in the centre of town. However, my husband is disabled and cannot walk far without severe pain. We used to go into town together to shop and enjoy a coffee/lunch but can no longer do this as it is too far for him to walk from the car parks, round town and then back to the car park. We could go into town on non-market days when he could park on Market Place but the idea of living in a market town is to be able to use the market! This scheme is ruining the whole appeal of our lovely quaint market town by trying to turn it into a mini city.



596. Lots of lovely independent shops
597. I live in Louth town centre and find most things convenient within walking distance
598. Some lovely shops but too many lazy drivers who park anywhere making it unsafe
599. I'm a working mother and find my time limited, I only shop on mercer row when I'm at work, the other days I bypass it, as I don't have that half hr stop off in a free parking space, to just nip in to shops on way through the town.
600. Happy to use pay & display car parks for longer visits but if only needing to pop into town for 1 item the removal of free short term parking for all in Mercer Row & having to pay to park adds a considerable percentage to the cost of that item, particularly for those, like me, on a tight budget
601. I like to shop in Louth because it is convenient
602. Parking is a major issue. There should be introduced an hours free parking, for resident and visitors to encourage use of the town.
603. I support a lady in an electric wheelchair, traversing around louth is extremely difficult, if I personally need to nip into town this task now takes longer as no 30 minute free parking
604. I am disabled and this scheme has meant I now rarely go into town, instead I use Amazon prime delivery. This scheme means I can't shop local. I can't walk most days from the other available parking meaning mercer row has become inaccessible. If I have no choice but to come to town I have to use my mobility scooter, there is issues with this, there is always glass on paths near town meaning I get punctures, the planters blocking corn market are always blocking the drop kerbs, the pavements are very slim, on a market day with the cafe seating outside it's difficult to navigate through crowds market stalls and seating on a mobility scooter, the taxi drivers stand and chat blocking the pavement for mobility scooters and most of the shops the pavement is too thin to park scooter outside without blocking path and most shops are too narrow to drive scooter around. Louth is no longer accessible for a disabled person. The park let's look awful and raise H&S questions
605. I loved the short parking bays in centre of town. Ideal for bank or picking up some shopping. If a longer visit is required I would pay for car park Like most people I love Louth but not what is happening to it
606. Variety of shops and cafes in a pleasant environment.
607. I think for those who can and choose to, it's important to support our shops. It's evident they are struggling with the current situation, we've lost two banks and hsbc have a limited service, however I acknowledge that people with mobility/disabilities can't park near the town so they have no choice but to shop elsewhere.
608. I like to support local traders.
609. Dislike to shop as not easy to park for a short period of time. Easier to go to Newmarket co op for food now.
610. There's nothing in Louth for me. I visit one shop. As a disabled person in a wheelchair the pavements cause so much pain it's a nightmare to ride through in my power chair and no one can push my manual because I end up in the road because of uneven pavements. That said my lightweight power chair isn't much better. I can't access most shops and many that are run by locals are not accessible and I prefer not to use the ones owned by popular chains. The only thing available for me of interest any more is the record shop. There's nowhere for clothing, nowhere for anything else. Unfortunately I'm not able to do the food shop without help and I don't have help so the member of the household who does that only has time for a quick Aldi trip and definitely doesn't have the time to mess about trying to get parked and then get to the various shops, so we have to continue that way until things improve, we have more choice and there is more help available for the disabled.
611. Nowhere to park for disabled
612. I like to shop in Louth but feel removing parking in Mercer Row and the Cornmarket is detrimental to the town, there are many elderly and infirm people who cannot walk far who are not accessing town any more.
613. Parking can sometimes be difficult, and I would love to see more shops!
614. Traffic issues
615. Far too disorganised in the town centre.

616. As my husband is disabled I find it very difficult getting him near the shops. Shopping on my own is fine as I can park in town but my husband misses going into town on market days.
617. I do like shopping in Louth as I work in town. But in holidays we go across to Lincoln more as there are more things to do with the kids for free and more shops for kids.
618. I like to support local businesses but do feel for traders as people like to park on Mercer Row just to nip in 1 or 2 shops. I agree this only needs to be for say 30 mins
619. Louth is a beautiful and characteristic town with a deep sense of community. The feel of the town is fabulous and should be protected at all costs. I try to use as many independent shops and traders as possible to keep the town's diversity. It would be such a shame if the council attempted to change this and modernise it to mother bland and franchise heavy town, as the community do not want this. The community and tourists alike visit Louth because of its charm and character. There are plenty of other alternative towns and cities nearby that cater for those wishing for larger shops. Louth community is feeling very frustrated that councillors have not listened to the heart of its community and that they appear intent on making changes to Louth that will inevitably destroy its character and thus its loss of trade. The recent installation of the ridiculous park lets clearly highlights this as they are not in keeping with the country character of the town, they are not safe and they are an eye sore and a national media laughing stock! How can the council waste so much precious financial resources on the parklets, alone not even consider supporting the local economy and trade by commissioning local people to make them? Louth should be left alone to maintain its charm!
620. Only use Louth when going through live in Louth but it's expensive to do family shopping Louth
621. I like the independent shops and definitely enjoy the different places to eat and drink at. The hospitality offering is fantastic for locals and visitors alike. Sadly a lot of independent shops are closing not because of the active travel idea but because rates are so high and the lack of public spending. The market is also just a half hearted attempt these days sadly.
622. I live here, I love shopping here. But businesses will close if it doesn't revert back to how it was. Then there will be less choice for those who live here and fewer visitors. This is how towns and areas become derelict- like Horncastle. Please don't let Louth get like that.
623. I generally walk into town so the active travel scheme has not affected me personally. I shop online as it tends to be cheaper, and I do my main supermarket shop in Laceby due to convenience (work close by) and as it is a bigger store there is a wider selection of goods.
624. Even though I do not have mobility issues I do work full time and have kids to run around after so my life is hectic. Because of this there are occasions when the ability to park for ten minutes on Mercer Row or in the Market Place and nip to a shop/chemist/bank during my lunch break were welcomed and being unable to do that has deterred me from trying.