
NAIRN STREET AREA LISTENING CAMPAIGN

A SNAPSHOT

JUNE 2019

INTRODUCTION

THE NAIRN STREET AREA LISTENING CAMPAIGN

The Nairn Street Area listening campaign was carried out during June 2019.

The listening campaign consulted 115 residents in the Nairn Street, Abbott Road and Leven Road Area.

The purpose of the listening campaign was to gain a snapshot of what is currently working, what improvements are needed, and priorities in relation to regeneration.

Residents were asked what they currently liked about the area, what changes they would like to see and if they supported redevelopment for the area.

SUMMARY

Residents highlighted what they currently like about the area, this includes:

- a strong sense of community
- good transport links & location
- quiet and peaceful environment

The main concern raised was in relation to parking. Residents said problems with parking in Nairn Street were long standing and that attempts to resolve them were being sabotaged. Residents want to find a solution to the parking problems, and feel frustrated that no clear solution is in sight.

There was a high degree of support for redevelopment in the area.

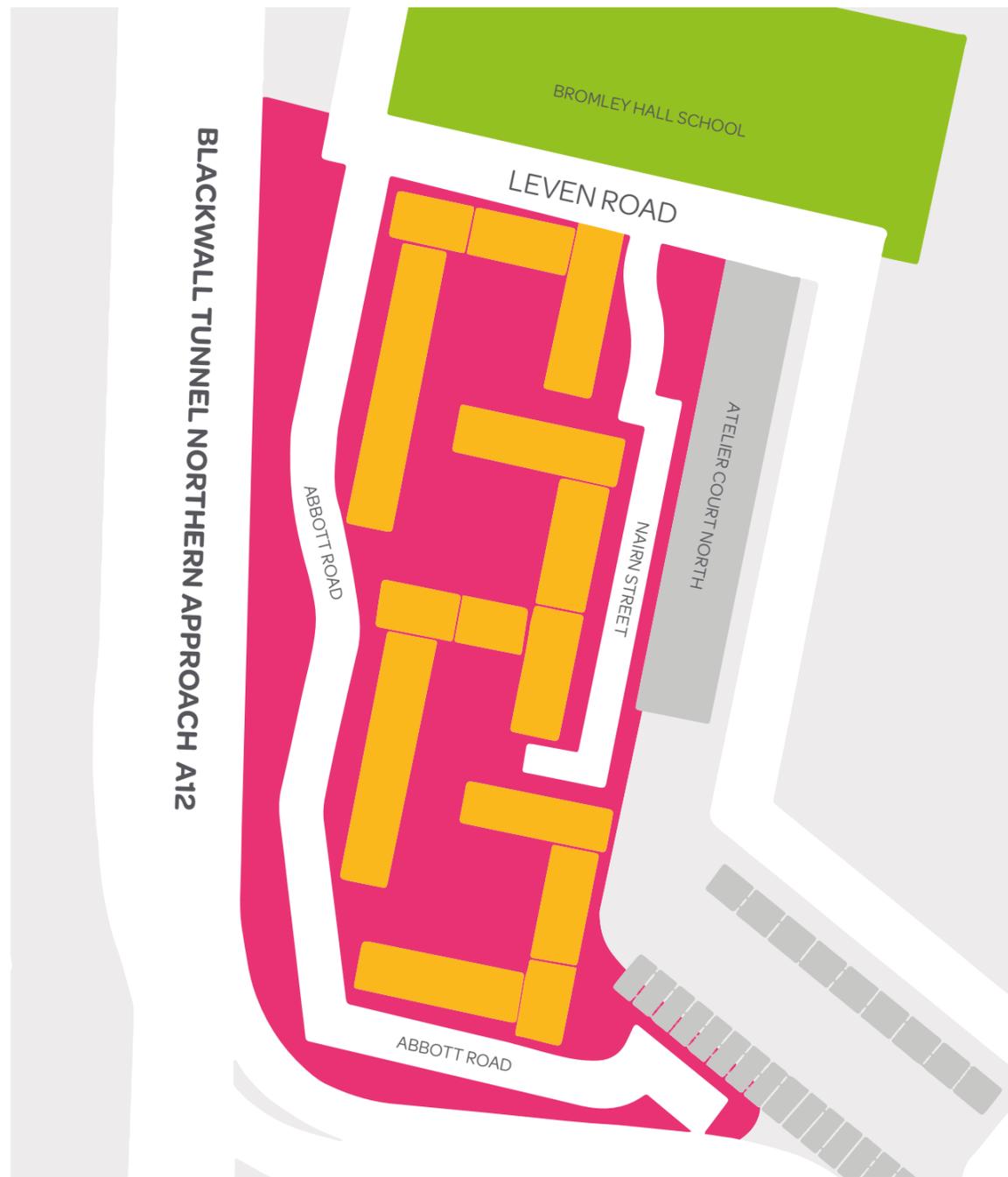
Residents said they would like to see the area re-energised, and there was an appetite for new and improved homes.

Residents identified the following improvements:

- tackle parking problems
- new and improved housing
- a range of environmental improvements
- better community safety
- a greater variety of shops
- more activities for children & young people
- better use of green space

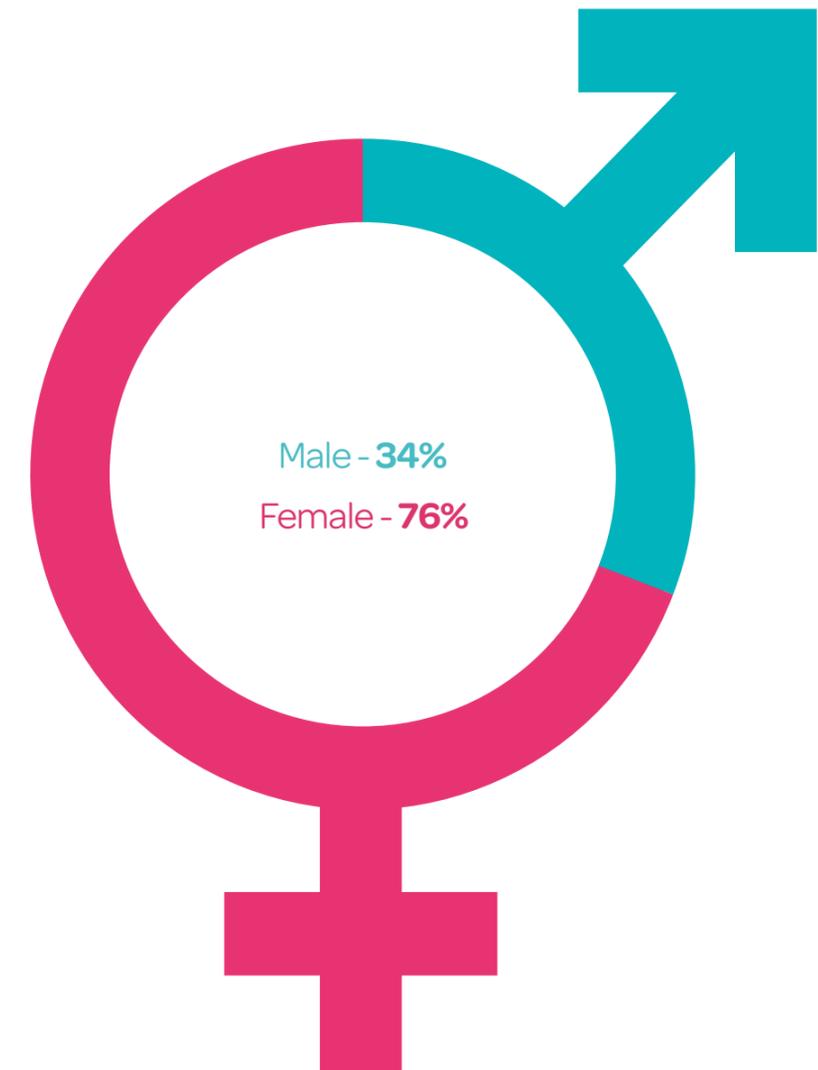
MAP

Nairn Street Area



WHO TOOK PART?

Gender of respondents



WHAT WORKS

Residents identified a number of things that they currently like about the area.

Residents felt that there is a strong and close community,

‘EVERYBODY KNOWS EACH OTHER’ ‘GOOD COMMUNITY FEEL’ ‘IT’S A GOOD PLACE FOR MY KIDS TO GROW UP’ ‘PEOPLE ARE FRIENDLY’

Residents felt the area was quiet and peaceful. Although residents highlighted community safety issues, residents felt the area was,

‘NICE & QUIET’ ‘NOT MUCH DISTURBANCE’ ‘CHILDREN CAN PLAY AND THEY ARE ALWAYS IN THE LINE OF SIGHT, MAKES US FEEL SAFE’

Residents felt the location and transport were good. Residents said,

‘EVERYTHING IS ON YOUR DOORSTEP’ ‘CHRISP STREET IS WALKING DISTANCE’ ‘CLOSE TO THE CITY’ ‘GP AND SCHOOLS ARE CLOSE’

Residents were positive about transport, and said,

‘TRANSPORT HAS IMPROVED’ ‘EASY TO GET TO WORK’, ‘309, DLR, UNDERGROUND’ ‘EASY TO GET FROM PLACE TO PLACE’

Residents said local schools were good and easy to access.

Residents said the standard of cleaning was good. Residents said the area was,

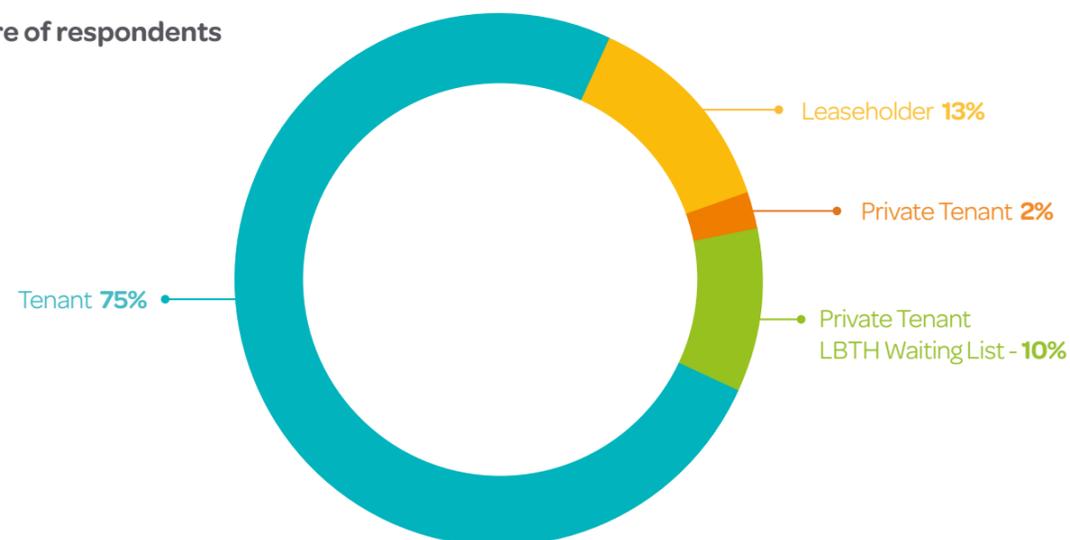
‘NICE AND CLEAN’ ‘BRILLIANT CARETAKER’ ‘THE STREETS AND BLOCKS ARE KEPT CLEAN’

Ethnicity of respondents



Other:		
Black British 2%	Italian 1%	Portuguese 1%
Chinese 2%	Vietnamese 1%	Afghanistan 1%
Irish 2%	Philippines 1%	Greek 1%
Caribbean 2%	Indian 1%	Polish 1%

Tenure of respondents



KEY FINDINGS

What needs improving

Residents highlighted the following areas for improvement:

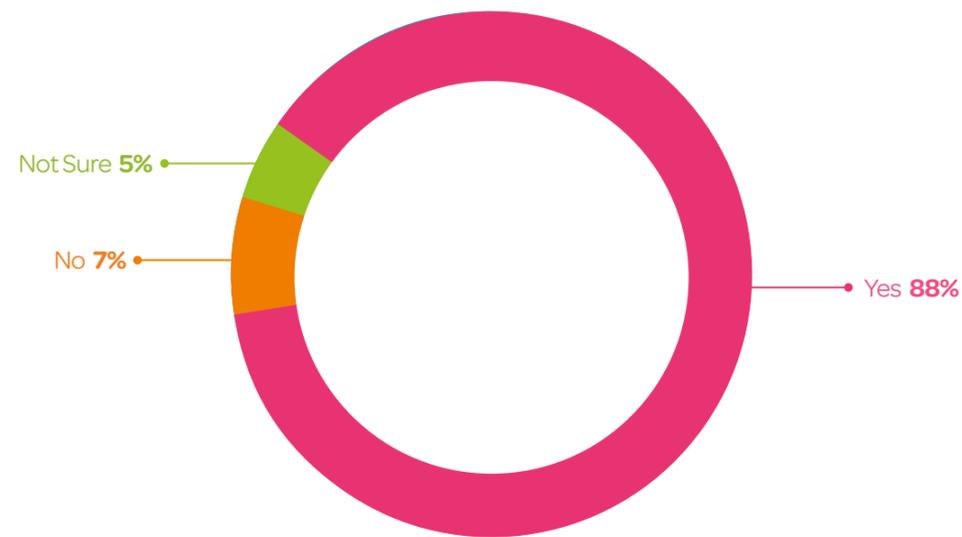
'pavements and walkways are uneven'
 'too much fly tipping'
'need better lighting'
 'low water pressure'
'the area has deteriorated badly'
 'dumped cars'
'the old school, PRU, looks terrible, eye sore'
 'dirty, grimy'
'need to improve air quality'
 'bin area – upgrade to URS'
'better paving'
 'improve football cage'
'parking is chaos'
 'parking restrictions are not enforced'
'signs are sprayed regularly'
 'I have a permit, but cannot park'
'people park from other areas'
 'double yellow lines are ignored'
'emergency vehicles can't gain access'
 'gave up parking bay as others using it'
'too many cars parked everywhere'
 'more opportunities for young people'
'lack of youth clubs'
 'no summer scheme'
'more for children, centre open later'
 'place for young people to hang out'
ENVIRONMENT
PARKING
**ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN/
YOUNG PEOPLE**

COMMUNITY SAFETY
 'too many walkways & hidden areas – police can't catch criminals'
 'need CCTV'
'drugs are a problem'
 'cars are damaged'
'can smell weed from window'
 'need more action on safety'
'subway feels dangerous'
 'don't go out in evening because area not safe'
'more open spaces'
 'more accessible green spaces'
'community garden'
 'separate area for dogs'
'park'
 'more play areas'
SHOPS
GREEN SPACE
'need more shops'
 'shops are too expensive'
'the shops need improving'
 'new shops'
'better shops'
 'no good local shops'
HOUSING
'damp and mould'
 'not very modern'
'bathroom very old'
 'no showers'
'bring them down'
 'old – poor ventilation'
'the flats are too old, worn down'
 'need new kitchen'
'building deteriorating'
 'rooms are small'

SUPPORT FOR REDEVELOPMENT

Tenure of respondents

Over 80% of residents consulted said they would support redevelopment of the Nairn Street Area. Residents who said No wanted more information or were happy with how things are currently.



MORE SHOPS
WOULD LIKE TO SEE NEW HOMES
NEW BUILD IS PREFERRED
ABANDONED SHOPS
IMPROVEMENTS ARE WELCOME AND NEEDED
NEED MORE INFORMATION
NEW FRESH FEELING
BUILDINGS TOO OLD, PREFER NEW BUILDS
BETTER HOMES

I'D LIKE TO SEE THINGS RE-ENERGISED
HAPPY TO SEE IMPROVEMENTS
HAPPY WITH THE WAY THINGS ARE



CONCLUSION

The listening campaign has been able to identify current priorities for the Nairn Street Area.

There is an appetite for redevelopment, with an immediate need to tackle current parking problems. Residents feel there is a strong sense of community, with good transport and a calm environment.

Residents identified a number of improvements in relation to housing, safety, shops, play space and public realm.

The listening campaign provides a snapshot of current priorities in the Nairn Street Area.

The next step will be to explore these issues in more detail with residents, and for Poplar HARCA to use the findings to develop initial options for the area.