

Friar Park Pride in Place

Examples of Organisation-led Engagement Activities

Summary

This pack includes some examples of engagement activities that you could run with your groups / in your building.

This is not an exhaustive list. We encourage you to be creative and think about what would work best for your group and location.

Note: *Application is by filling in a form.*

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Suggestion 1 – Facilitated Workshop Guide 60-minute activity

Equipment needed

- Map of Friar Park (we can provide you with the boundary map)
- Pens / Sticky Notes
- Photo consent forms (if taking photos of people)
- Signing in sheet to record numbers of attendees
- Poster advertising the survey

Group Leader's Toolkit and Script

Step 1: Opening the Session (5 Minutes)

"Hi everyone, thank you for coming today. Before we start our normal activities, we have a huge opportunity to discuss. Friar Park has secured **£20 million from central government** to spend over the next 10 years. We have been given some money to help host this discussion. The Board wants to know exactly what *this* group wants to spend the money on. Let's go through four quick questions together."

Step 2: Facilitating the 4 Questions (30 Minutes)

The group leader writes down a summary of the answers on a feedback sheet:

1. What are you already proud of?

- *Leader Prompt:* "Before we talk about fixing things, what do you love about Friar Park right now? What are you proud of that we should protect or build upon?"

2. What do you think the key issues are?

- *Leader Prompt:* "What makes life difficult here? Think about anti-social behaviour, speeding, broken parks, or a lack of spaces for kids. What are the big problems?"

3. What action would you like the board to prioritise?

- *Leader Prompt:* "If you could sign the cheque tomorrow for a specific project—like rebuilding a community space, adding CCTV, or creating youth clubs—what should the board do first?"

4. What do you want Pride in Place to achieve?

- *Leader Prompt:* "In 10 years' time, when this money is fully spent, what do you want our neighbourhood to look and feel like? What does success mean to you?"

Step 3: The Data Close (10 Minutes)

"Thank you so much, I have taken detailed notes of everything said.

I have been asked to feedback the top three ideas in each question. In summary these were

To make sure the Board knows that people from across Friar Park have participated, please fill in your **postcode** on the signing in sheet. This information is being used so the Board knows whether everyone in Friar Park has had the chance to have a say.

There is also a survey that you can fill in separately.

Thank you"

Suggestion 2 – Community Ideas Wall / Tablecloth Consultation

Equipment needed

- Map of Friar Park
- Large display board, wall space or tables laid out with paper
- Paper / tablecloths
- Sticky notes
- Pens or markers
- Questions
- Signs to explain the activity and how to take part
- Poster advertising the survey

Outline

Participants answer a question by adding a sticky note / writing a comment onto a wall or on a tablecloth.

The activity could be suited to community spaces e.g. GP waiting area / community building wall space or used during a coffee morning.

The activity could be led by a volunteer or allowed to build up over time.

If the wall starts to get full, you could ask people to use sticky dots to select any ideas that they agree with

Questions

- What are you already proud of?
- What do you think the key issues are?
- What actions would you like the Board to prioritise?
- What do you want Pride in Place to achieve?

Reporting

- Summarise the key 3 ideas in each category
- We'd love to see a photo of the completed display or tablecloth or for you to display them at our community event in September.

Suggestion 3 – Using the map

Equipment needed

- Map(s) of Friar Park
- Sticky dots
- Sticky notes
- Pens or markers
- Questions
- Signs to explain the activity and how to take part
- Poster advertising the survey

Outline

Display the map of Friar Park.

Ask people to add sticky dots onto the map to show the locations for their answers. Use post it notes to add more information.

This activity could be led by a volunteer or put in a location and allowed to build up over time.

Guide Questions

- Which places are you already proud of?
- Where do you think the key issues are?
- What actions would you like the Board to prioritise?

Reporting

- We'd love to see a photo of the completed maps or for you to display them at our community event in September.
- Summarise the key 3 ideas in each category

Suggestion 4 - Photo exhibition

Equipment needed

- Map of Friar Park
- Camera / smartphone
- Display board / exhibition space
- Photo consent form (if people are included in photos).

Outline

People are encouraged to travel round Friar Park and take photos to share their ideas about the key questions.

People come back together to explain and exhibit their photos.

The photos and explanations are exhibited in a community space.

Guide Questions

- Which places are you already proud of?
- Where do you think the key issues are?
- What actions would you like the Board to prioritise?
- What do you want Pride in Place to achieve?

Reporting

- Please share your display. We'd love to see the completed exhibition displayed at our community event in September
- Summarise the key 3 ideas in each category