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Town Centre Regeneration Working Group

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Town Centre Regeneration Working Group (TCRWG) - Consultation Update

On Saturday, 17th May 2025, the Town Centre Regeneration Working Group (TCRWG), in partnership with the local Member of Parliament, held a public consultation event at Macclesfield Town Hall to discuss the future development and revitalisation of the town centre. The event was extremely well attended, attracting a broad mix of residents, local business owners, and community stakeholders. Due to the high level of interest, a waiting list had to be implemented to accommodate demand.

As part of the session, attendees were provided with an overview of the TCRWG's original town centre plan, developed during the Covid period. Highlights included key actions taken to date and the positive impact already achieved. A leaflet summarising this information was circulated at the event and is attached for reference.

In parallel with the consultation, a public survey was launched to ensure that a wide range of community views could be captured. The survey is available both online via the Town Council's website and in paper format from the Town Hall, allowing all residents the opportunity to contribute regardless of digital access. The survey seeks to gather feedback on the current state of the town centre and ideas for its future direction.

Early responses from the consultation have been largely positive, with many attendees offering constructive suggestions and showing a strong commitment to the town's ongoing improvement. The Town Clerk is currently in the process of collating and analysing the feedback, which will help inform the next stages of the regeneration strategy.

Further consultation sessions are currently being planned to ensure continued community involvement and representation. Details of upcoming dates, times, and venues will be published through the Town Council's usual communication channels as they are confirmed.

The Chair of the Town Centre Regeneration Working Group, Councillor Fiona Wilson, would like to extend sincere thanks to all who attended and contributed to the initial event. Continued participation from residents and stakeholders will be vital as the town works collectively towards a shared vision for a vibrant and sustainable town centre.