

Appendix 2

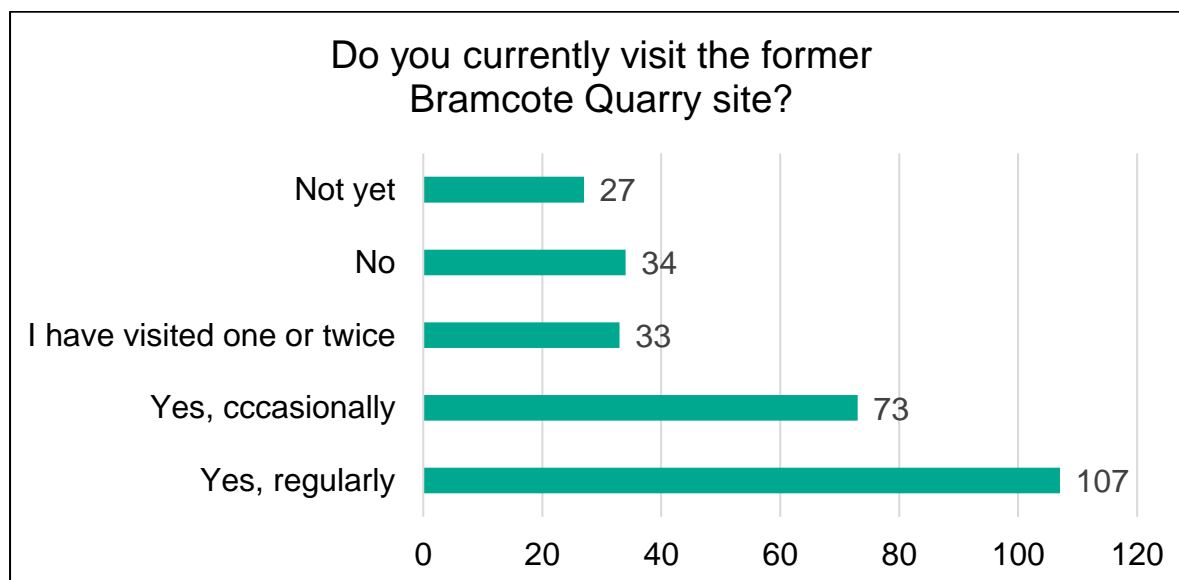
Consultation results**1: Do you currently visit the former Bramcote Quarry site?**

Figure 1: Do you currently visit the former Bramcote Quarry site?

66% of respondents already use the site, either visiting regularly or occasionally. This demonstrates that the quarry is an already established and valued local asset, with a strong existing user base.

34% of respondents have either visited only once or twice or have not yet visited the site. This indicates clear potential to increase engagement, particularly through improvements that encourage repeat visits and attract new users. Measures such as improved access, clearer signage and increased awareness are likely to support this.

Overall, the findings indicate that while the site is already well used, there is clear potential to broaden its appeal.

Q2: What would encourage you to visit the site more often?

Responses highlight a clear set of priorities that would encourage more frequent use of the site. The most selected improvements were better path surfacing and more accessible routes (56%) and enhanced biodiversity features (53%), indicating strong support for both improved accessibility and the site's role as a nature-focused space.

Overall, the findings indicate that increased usage is likely to be driven by improvements to access and infrastructure, alongside enhancements that strengthen the site's role as a natural and welcoming environment. This reflects the need to balance practical improvements with maintaining the site's character and appeal.

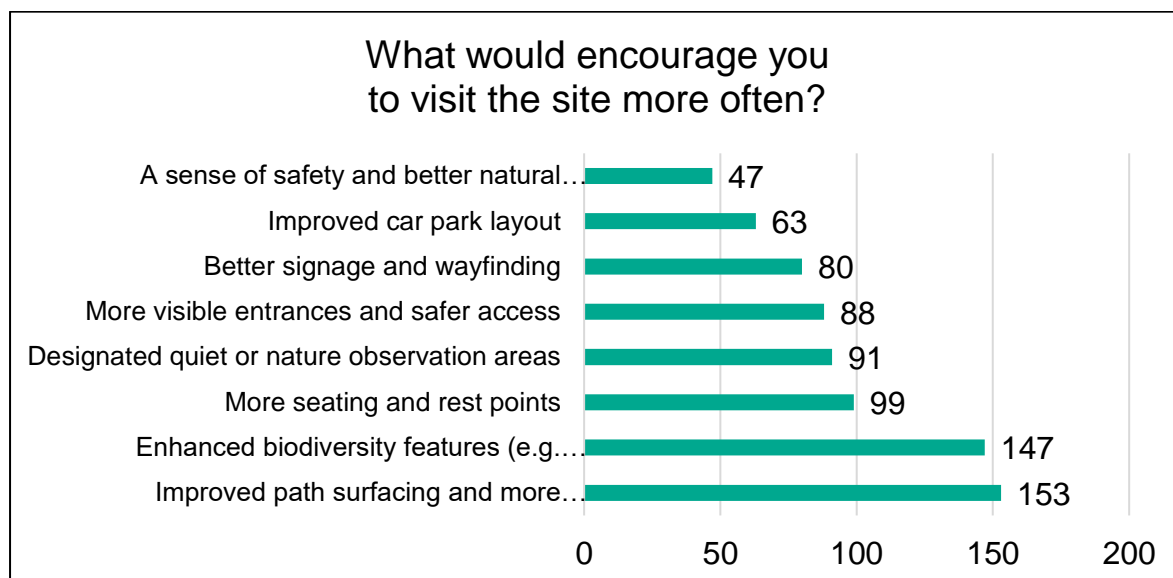


Figure 2: What would encourage you to visit the site more often?

NB: Respondents could select up to three options

Q3: How would you rate the current accessibility of paths and routes around the site?

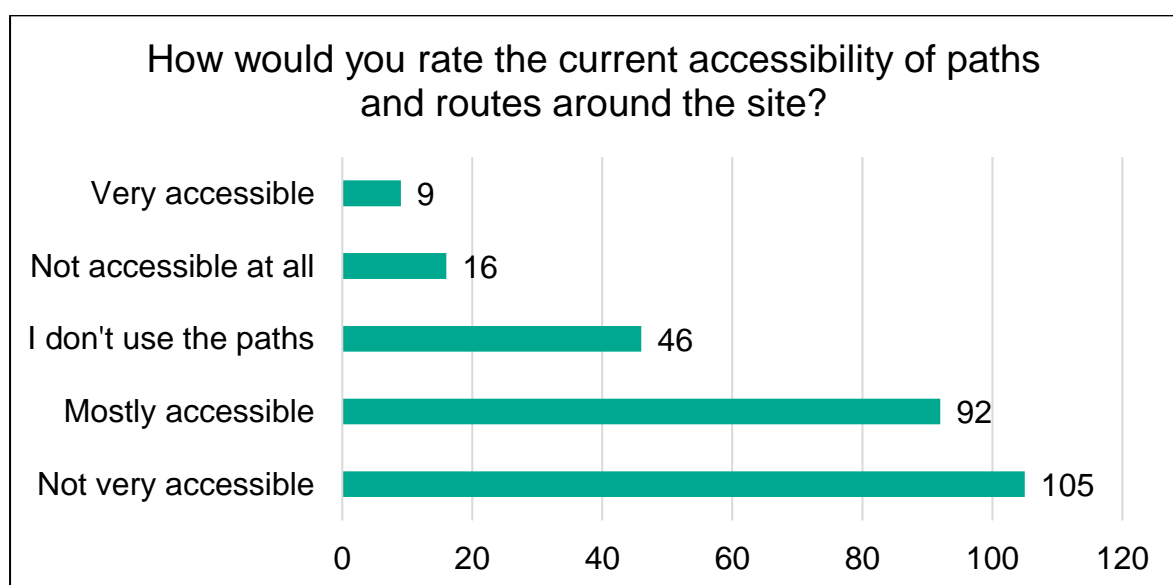


Figure 3: How would you rate the current accessibility of paths and routes around the site?

NB: 7 respondents did not answer this question.

Responses indicate that accessibility is an important issue for users of the site. Over two thirds of respondents (71%) consider the site to be either “not very accessible” or only “mostly accessible”, suggesting that existing paths and routes do not fully meet user needs.

A further 23% of respondents either do not use the paths or consider them not accessible at all, reinforcing the extent to which accessibility may be limiting use of the site. In contrast, only a small proportion of respondents (3%) consider the site to be very accessible, indicating that positive experiences are currently limited.

Overall, the findings suggest that improvements to path quality, layout and accessibility are likely to be a key driver in increasing usage.

Q4: Which improvements to paths and access points should be prioritised?

The results show a clear emphasis on improving the quality and usability of the site’s path network. The most frequently selected priority was upgraded surfacing to reduce erosion and improve year-round access, supported by 62% of respondents. This reinforces the importance of addressing current issues with path conditions and usability.

Other commonly selected improvements include clearer wayfinding signage (43%) and increased seating or resting points (42%).

A smaller but still notable proportion of respondents (30%) supported the introduction of more gentle gradients or ramps, highlighting the need to improve accessibility for a wider range of users.

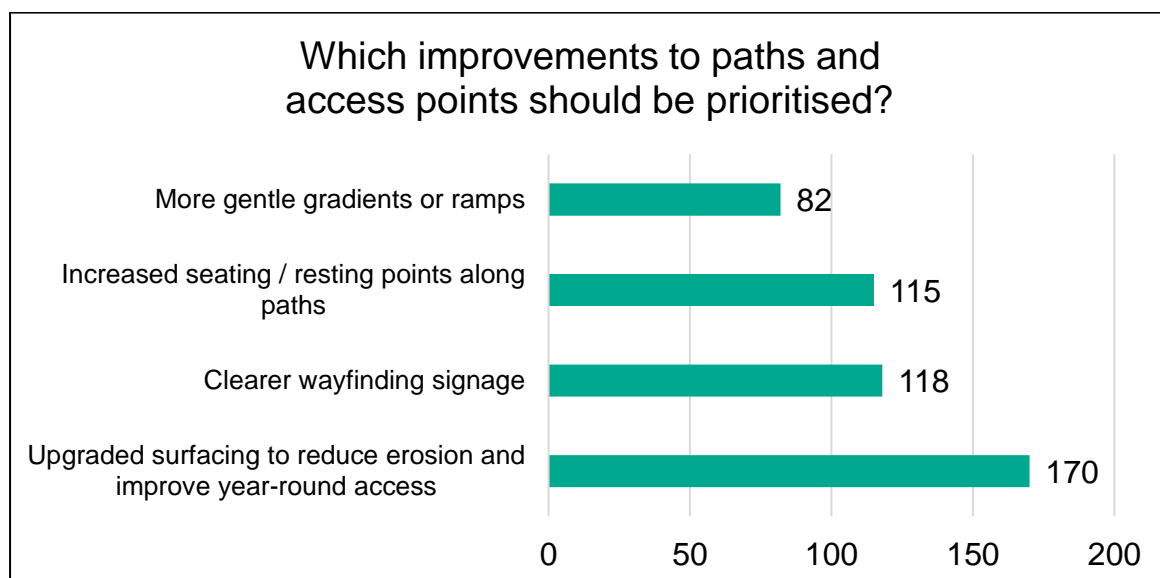


Figure 4: Which improvements to paths and access points should be prioritised?

Q5: Which facilities would make the site more welcoming and inclusive?

The results show a clear preference for simple, low-impact facilities that support comfort and usability. Seating and resting areas were the most frequently selected option, supported by 66% of respondents, indicating strong demand for places to pause and spend time on site.

Other frequently selected options include picnic areas (52%), improved entrances and visibility (51%), and additional signage and interpretation (49%). Together, these responses suggest that users are looking for facilities that enhance the experience of the site without significantly altering its character.

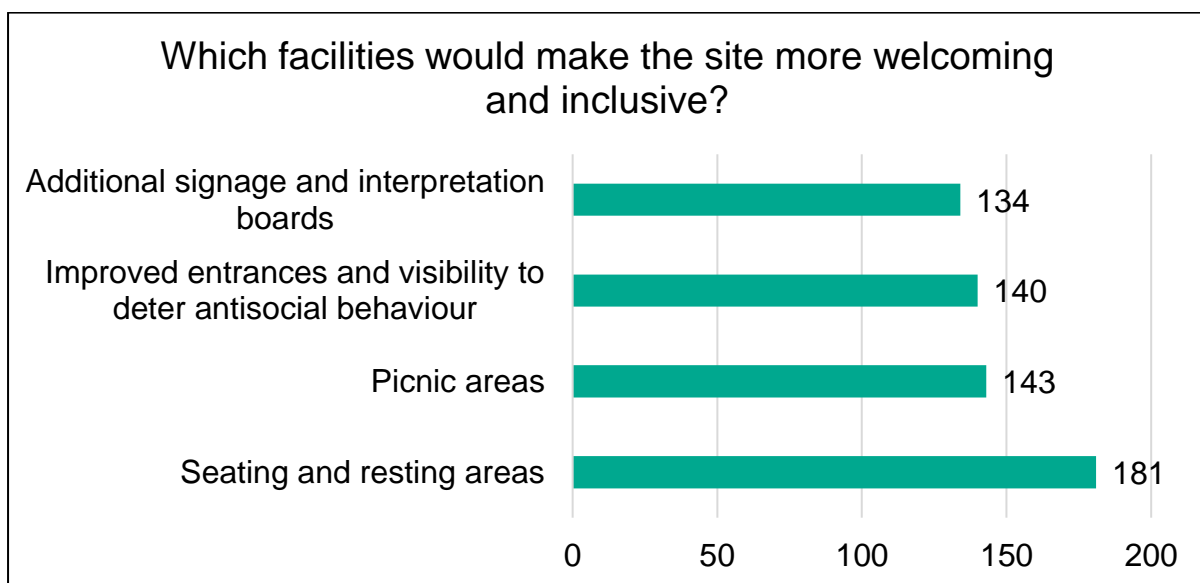


Figure 5: Which facilities would make the site more welcoming and inclusive?

Q6: To protect the site and reduce issues such as fly-tipping and unauthorised encampments, which access control measures would you support?

The findings show strong support for proportionate access control measures to address site management issues. A clear majority of respondents supported the introduction of height restriction barriers (78%). Over half of respondents (55%) also supported improvements to the entrance layout. A smaller proportion indicated that no additional measures are required; however, the site has experienced previous serious incidents of fly-tipping, which it will be important to prevent going forward.

Q7: Which biodiversity improvements would you most like to see?

The responses demonstrate very strong and consistent support for biodiversity-led improvements, with particularly high levels of support for wildflower meadows (83%) and additional native tree and shrub planting (70%). There is also strong backing for measures that enhance habitat diversity, including wilder managed areas (61%), the creation of wet habitats (60%), and features such as deadwood to support wildlife (59%).

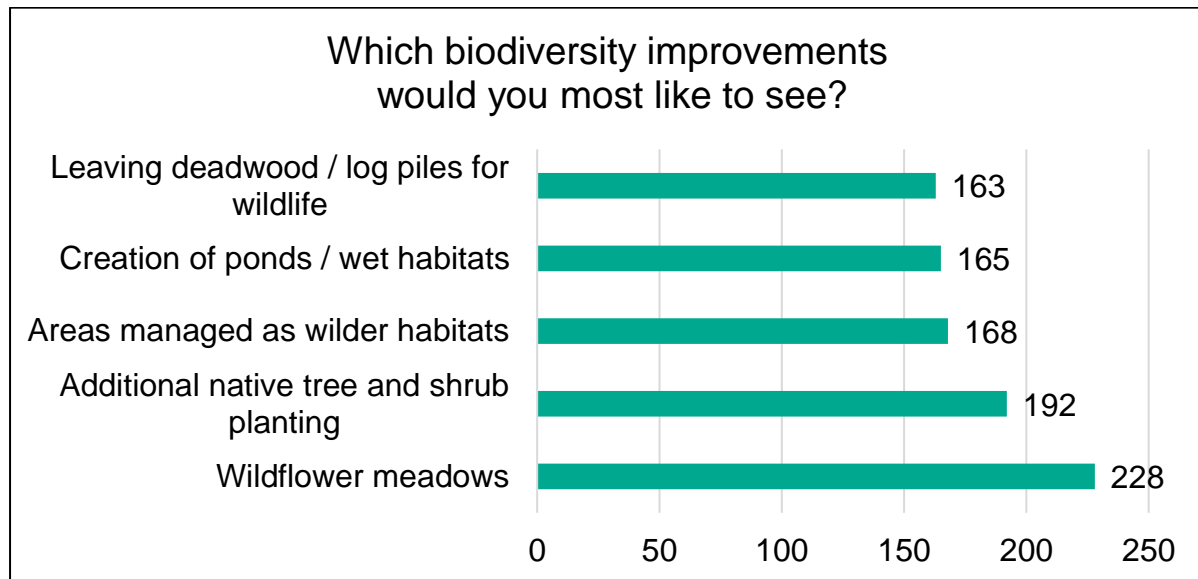


Figure 6: Which biodiversity improvements would you most like to see?

Q8: The Council is considering measures such as fencing to protect sensitive habitats and areas with steep quarry drops. Do you support habitat protection measures that may restrict public access in some locations?

The results show strong support for habitat protection measures, with 97% of respondents indicating support either fully (49%) or in part (47%). This demonstrates a clear willingness to accept some limited restrictions on access to protect sensitive areas of the site, with only a small minority opposed (3%).

Q9: How important is it to you that the site includes features that support inclusive access to nature (e.g., accessible seating, sensory planting, accessible viewing points)?

The results show that inclusive access is a clear priority for respondents, with 68% indicating that it is either very important (36%) or important (32%). A further 23% consider it slightly important, while only a small minority (11%) do not see it as important. This demonstrates strong overall support for ensuring the site includes features that enable a wide range of users to access and enjoy the site.

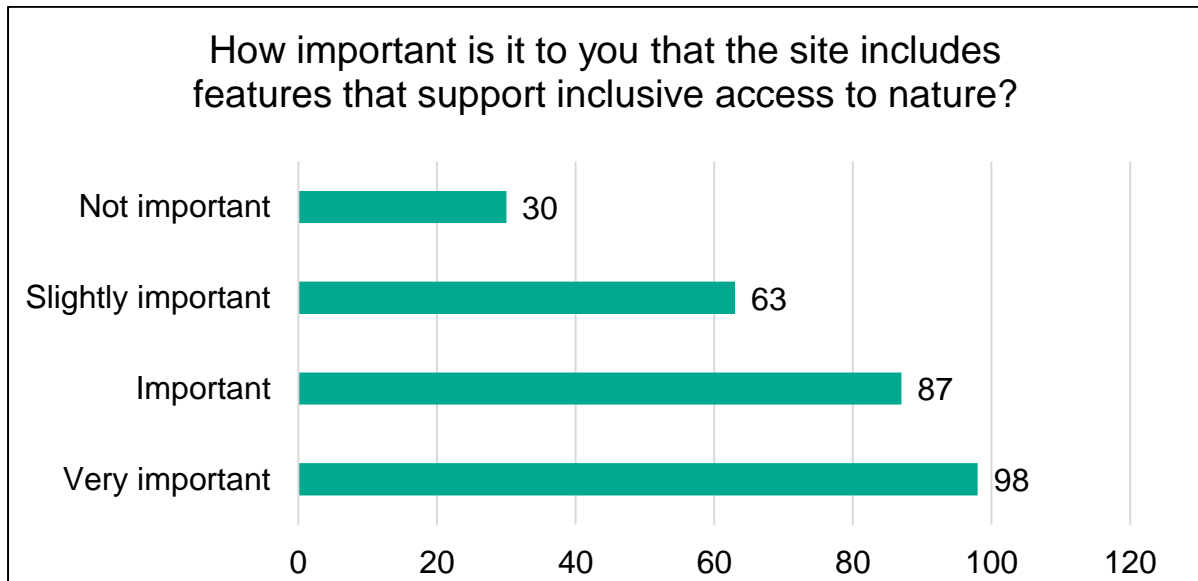


Figure 7: How important is it to you that the site includes features that support inclusive access to nature

Q10: Improvements to the entrance and car park are proposed to increase safety, visibility, and access. Which aspects should be prioritised?

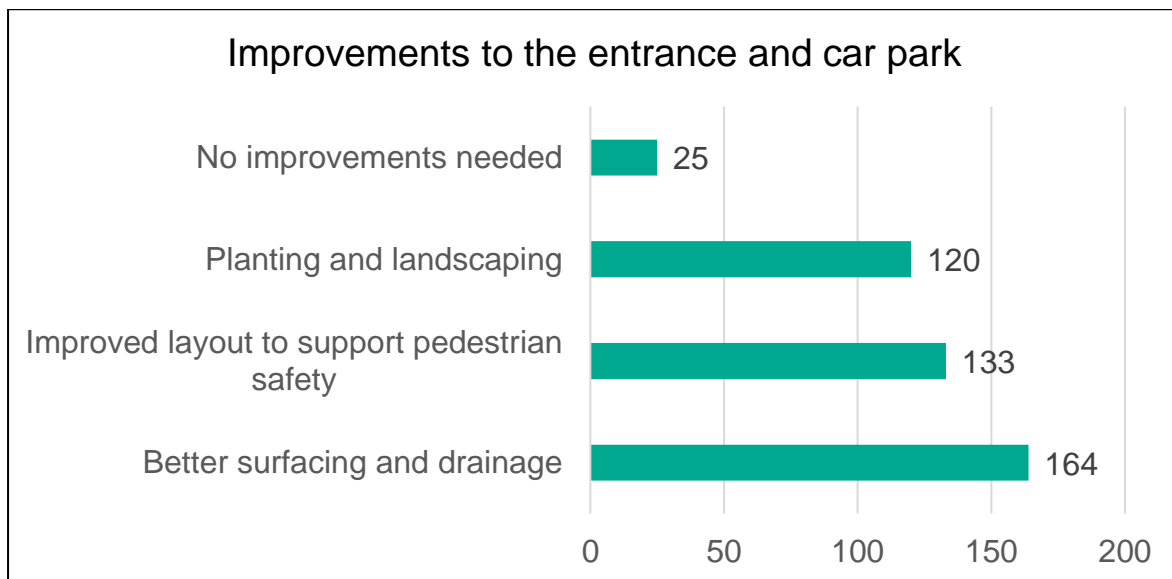


Figure 8: Improvements to the entrance and car park

The responses indicate a clear preference for improvements that enhance both safety and usability at the site’s entrance and car park. The most frequently selected priority was better surfacing and drainage (60%), followed by improvements to layout to support pedestrian safety (48%) and planting and landscaping (44%).

Q11: How would you most like to use this site in the future?

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The findings show a strong preference for informal, nature-based use of the site, with walking and nature trails identified as the highest priority (86%). This is supported by interest in quieter activities such as nature observation (52%) and dog walking (45%), indicating that respondents value the site primarily as a place for everyday use and connection with the natural environment. There is more limited support for structured or organised activities, such as family recreation, educational use or community events, suggesting these are secondary to the site's core role.

Q12: What name would you like to see for the site?

The results show a clear preference for retaining the existing name, with 61% of respondents supporting "Bramcote Quarry". Among those suggesting alternatives, there was no single dominant option, with responses spread across a wide range of individual suggestions. These are listed as follows:

- Bramcote Community Garden
- Bramcote Country Reserve
- Bramcote Meadows
- Bramcote Nature Reserve
- Bramcote Quarry Gardens
- Bramcote Quarry Park
- Bramcote Sanctuary
- Bramcote View
- Bramcote Wildlands
- Buzzard Hill
- Hemlock Hollow
- Hemlock Wildlife Reserve
- Old Quarry Nature Reserve

- The Living Quarry
- The Sand Hole (historic/local reference)
- Wildlife Haven

Q13: Do you have any other suggestions or comments?

Responses to the final open question broadly reinforced the themes identified throughout the consultation. Many respondents emphasised the importance of retaining the site's natural and informal character, with a clear preference for avoiding over-development. There was strong support for protecting biodiversity and ensuring that any improvements remain sensitive to the local environment, alongside continued interest in improving accessibility, path quality and overall maintenance. Safety, including concerns around anti-social behaviour and fly-tipping, was also raised as an important consideration for future management.

Several respondents also highlighted the value of the site as a local asset for wellbeing, quiet enjoyment and everyday use, particularly for walking and connecting with nature. While there was some interest in facilities and community use, this was generally in the context of low-impact and small-scale interventions. Overall, the feedback indicates a desire for a balanced approach, where the site is accessible and well-managed, but its character as a natural, tranquil space is retained and enhanced.