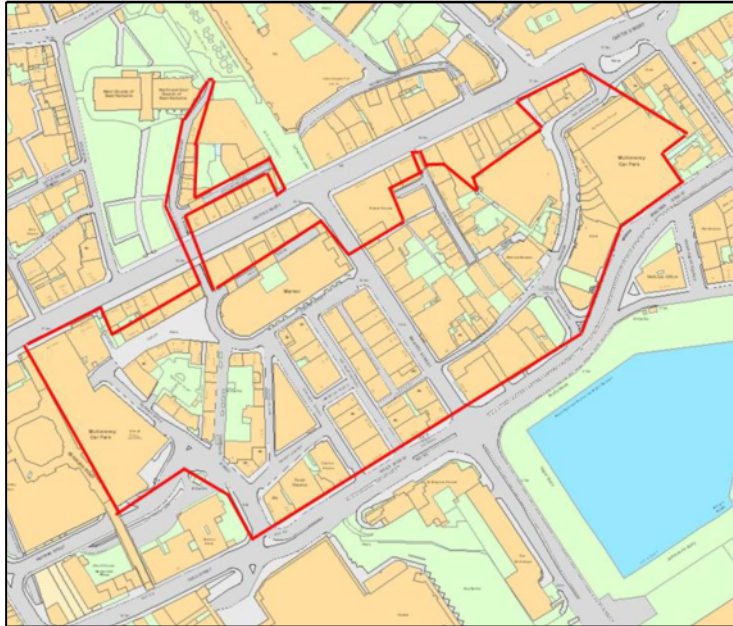


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Points of Interest

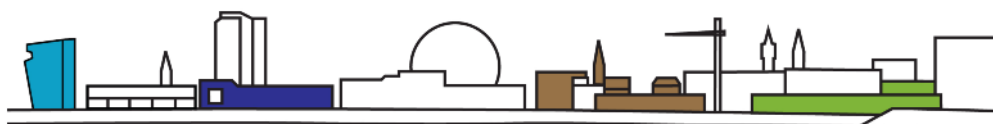
- Ship Row
- Maritime Museum
- The Adelphi
- Douglas Hotel
- Aberdeen Market
- The Green
- Tivoli Theatre

School: Robert Gordon's College

Date of Fieldwork: 20 June 2013

Top 5 'Main Issues' affecting this area:

1. Cleanliness (bins, litter, spaces for recycling, graffiti)
2. Buildings are dull and grey
3. Pedestrian Safety and Accessibility
4. Lack of Greenery – more Green Spaces needed
5. Unattractive Place and Unwelcoming



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Summary of Likes:

There were a lot of things which participants liked about this area, for example:

Old buildings; wonderful architecture; lovely modern buildings; lots of independent shops and restaurants; The Green is peaceful; lamp posts; easily accessed; Maritime Museum; The Green a quick thoroughfare to Union Street; City Wharf.

Summary of Dislikes:

There were however things that participants didn't like, for example:

Aberdeen Market; dirty streets and buildings (chewing gum / litter / cigarette butts / bird poo); not enough bins; vandalism; narrow alleys; boring and dull; poor signage; narrow pavements.

Summary of Opportunities and Proposed Enhancements:

- Streets need more colour
- More shopping centres
- Clean up graffiti
- More bins
- Windows into Aberdeen Market
- New shops and restaurant in Aberdeen Market
- More public art (e.g. clocks, thermometers)
- Make Tivoli Theatre operational again
- More trees, gardens & open space
- Better lighting
- Improve signage / way-finding
- Less steps
- More museums
- Disused buildings knocked down and turned into green space
- City Wharf used as extension to Maritime Museum

What Happens Next?

The information gained during this exercise will help to us prepare a 'Main Issues Report' which will discuss the 'Main Issues' the next Local Development Plan for the City should consider. The Main Issues Report will be presented to the Enterprise, Planning and Infrastructure Committee in November 2013 and be released for public consultation early 2014.

