



# COMMUNITY MAPPING



"In 2050 I do think that flood defenses will be a really important part of the entire shoreline everywhere. We'll be doing it differently than it would be done 40 years ago. It would be more woven in with nature and in a way that leisure and nature can work together with flood defenses as well."

"The city should know it's got a shoreline. People don't seem to realise the benefits of having a coast, for health, for recreation."

"When you come in by plane and see all the land along the coastline that could be better utilised."



"It used to be lovely to see all the roseate terns such lovely birds and so nimble in the air. We were so lucky to have that whole stretch of beaches as children. We used to go to all the wee pockets of beach around Granton Harbour. They stole our beach from us."

"I guess Edinburgh's coast is best for sunsets and sunsets, and just views."



"The apartment blocks destroy the potential of having a 'promenade' type of approach to envisaging a future and better shoreline."

"I like to admire the view from Long Craig pier."



"Cramond Island is a 'sad gen' - litter and graffiti problems."

"I was also wondering about natural flood protection at Silverknowes because it's very much a built up walkway with the concrete... and I'm sure you could actually remove that and put in some natural flood protection."

"The beach beside west shore road just where the cycle path starts there isn't parking any more there as a rich guy blocked it and some of the path now it's all declined and is just wasteland there. 'Kapton Beach' parking has gone and the picnic table is fenced away it's scabby."

"Great breakwater! Has character! I love walking on Granton breakwater."



"There was a lovely sandy beach by the Tally Toor. My dad saw seals and porpoises there."

"The ponds and wildlife at western harbour - listening to all the sounds and chatter of birds and the wildlife. It is the kind of area we desperately need to be preserved in these days. Why is all the lovely wildlife on the unused land fenced off so we can't enjoy it?"

"What would be good really is to have some flood protection at Craigmiles rather than all these bloody garages and bus depots... It's mainly... well not mainly it's just shadowed by this garage and all the cars on Seafield. It's not pretty."

"Have not seen to Dalmeny beaches as you can't drive or get public transport - a long walk."

"Great memories with the kids: Dalmeny beach by fishery cottage, love the beach beyond Bar-noughie."

"Lovely wildflowers in the scrubland opposite Long Craig."

"The birds and wildlife that you see there are of national and international significance. Some of them are threatened, which makes you feel a sense of responsibility to protect them."

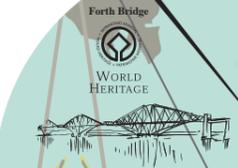
"There's nowhere to sit and it's very barren with lots of litter in the sea defences (behind Premier Inn, Newhaven)"

"It's too slippery to actually get down to the sea."

"The Shoreline seems inaccessible in a number of areas. Can this be improved?"



"I quite like the tower (or Portobello) it's got beautiful features and fittings in stone as well and the stone are beautiful. If you like stone kind of things. The stone in there are porous."



"A great place for collecting sea glass."

"Once I was cycling with my dad at Cramond and I heard a woodpecker and I felt so happy."

"There are lovely patches of woodland around the Silverknowes bit."

"This little beach beside Granton West Pier is my favourite bit of beach. I would love to collect seaweed but it's too contaminated... it's spoiled, which makes being there bitter sweet."

"The flora and fauna of Wardie Bay are so special."

"The pier at Ocean Drive would be lovely to walk out onto - but it's ruined."

"Seafield road is a barrier: it signals the end of the district, not the promise of something beyond. Crossing the road is really difficult."

"The beach is the village green of a coastal community."



"Lauriston Castle is a great place for insects - so much more could be done with it. There are potential links between wildlife and food production."

"Develop our amenities please! E.g. cycle paths, handshel seats, design new buildings to have a view of incredible views! Western harbour from Newhaven to end of it."

"There are no amenities between Cramond and Granton - apart from the Beach Cafe."

"When I first moved to Newhaven there was a museum, there were trips."

"Total wasted opportunities - it's just fences and carparks. The derelict roads made me feel vulnerable."

"The Fippate Burn flowing into the sea and the wonderful array of birds: it attracts - heron, curlew, ducks, and a wide range of gulls."

"The beach between the Rail bridge and Long Craig pier - not nice."

"A shoreline park not just path. Recreate the beautiful Granton-Cramond shoreline as described in pre-industrial years: sandy bays, trees, streams tumbling onto the beach."



"More piers - bring back the chain pier. More boats both social and commercial."



"You think you are living by the coast - then you give up and go to Cramond."



"The trouble is trying to get public transport along our coast. For example, from Portobello to Newhaven."



"A lot of people get off the 23 or 16 bus and ask me how do we get to the coast?"

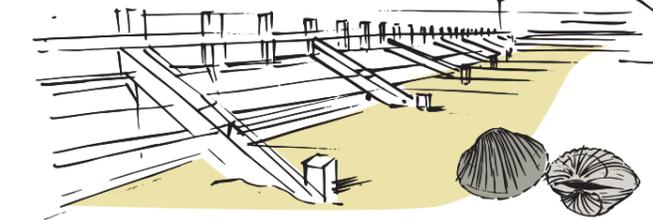


"With climate change either we retreat or we do something about it...let's do it in a way that provides a really diverse environment."

"They don't seem to think widely enough - putting housing and roads that block views and access."



"I am interested in things like green corridors in the city, but there is nothing like this here. There are no community facilities and no green spaces."



"We want strong community involvement and ownership in the shoreline activities."



All quotes used in this map are outputs from Edinburgh Shoreline community consultations

