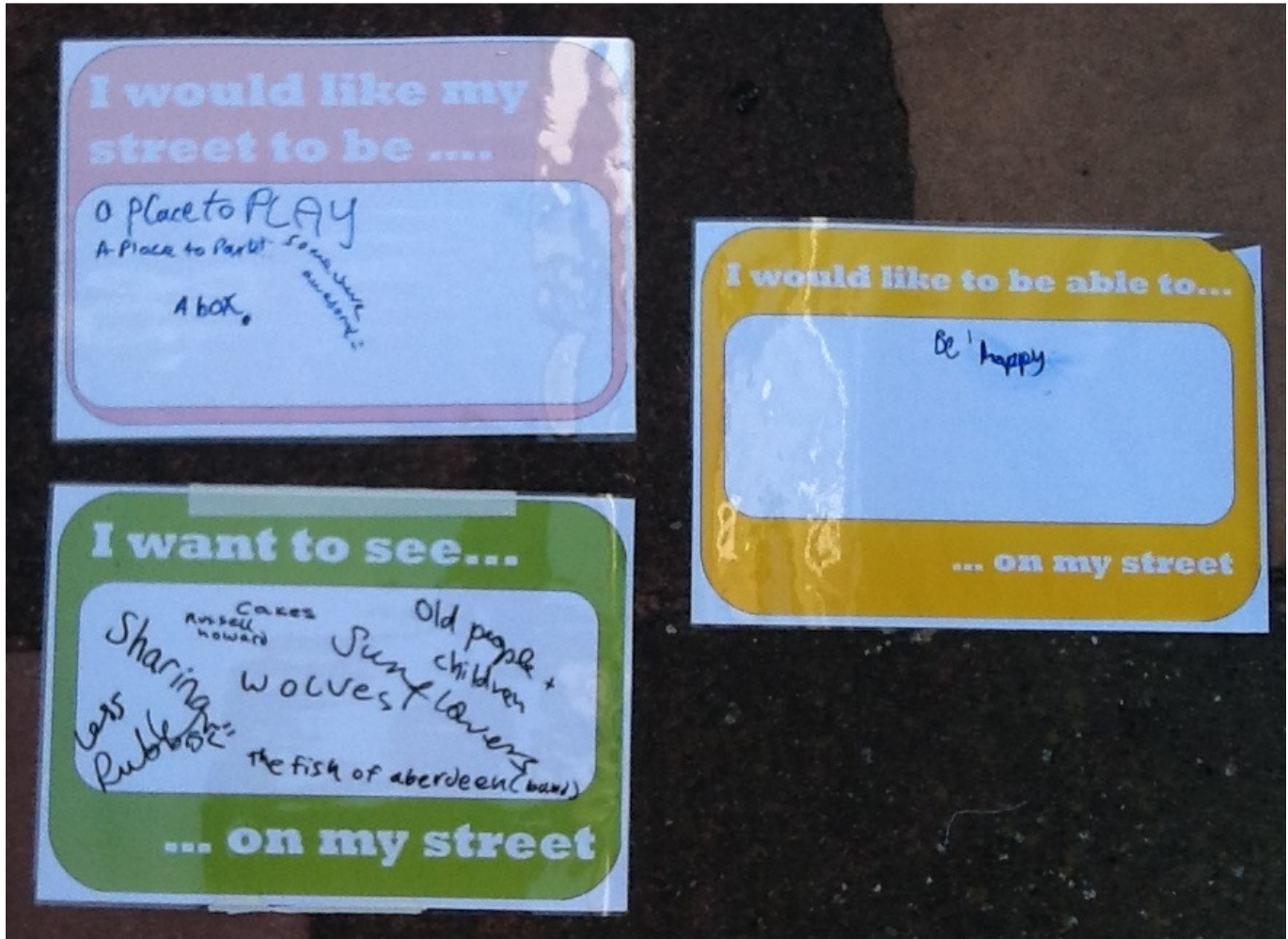


What people said at Streets are for Sharing, 16/9/12

Hanoverland



On Hanover Streets

- "I would like streets in Hanover to be...car free, no cars, safe"
- "I would like to be able to.... scoot on Hanover Streets"
- "I want to see... lots of people ... on Hanover Streets"

On 'my' Street

- "I would like my Street to be... a place to play, a place to park, a box, awesome"
- "I would like to be able to... be happy ...on my street"
- "I want to see... Old people and children, sunflowers, Russell Howard, less rubbish, wolves, The Fish of Aberdeen (a band), sharing, cakes ... on my street"

On this Street (Grove Street)

- "I would like to be able to... walk freely on the road, party, very fun fireworks ...on this street"
- "I would like this street be... car free!!, full of trees, fun, resident parking, safe, one-way, sunnier, child friendly"
- "I want to see... street play, more trees, horses and sheep, happiness, people smiling and chatting, butterflies, seagulls, flowers, look round and do things and walk, guinea pigs, penguins, pies... on this street"

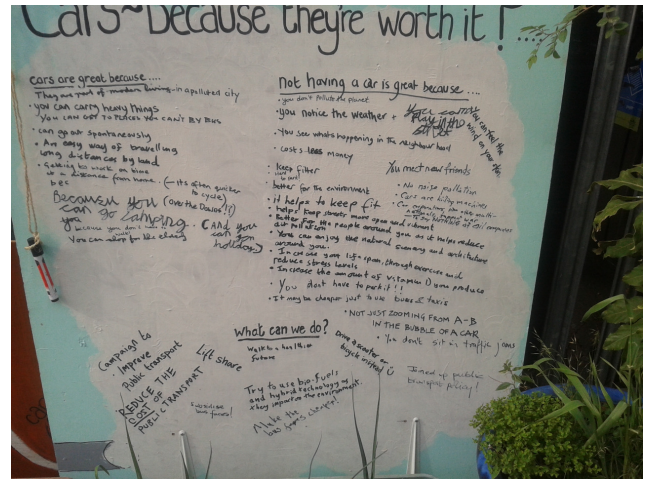
The big car

Cars are great because...

- They are part of modern living (Someone else wrote: in a polluted city)
- You can carry heavy things
- You can get to places you can't by bus
- Can go out spontaneously
- An easy way of travelling long distances by land
- Getting to work on time at a distance from home (Someone else wrote: it is often quicker to cycle)
- Because you can go camping and you can holiday
- Because you don't have to walk
- You can shop for the elderly

Not having a car is great because...

- You don't pollute the planet
- You notice the weather
- You can play in the street
- You can feel the wind on your skin
- You see what's happening in the neighbourhood
- Costs less money
- You meet new friends
- No noise pollution
- Cars are killing machines
- Keep fitter
- Hard to park!
- Better for the environment
- Car corporations, like other multinationals, support war - to say nothing of oil companies
- It helps to keep fit
- Helps keep streets more open and vibrant
- Better for the people around you as it helps reduce air pollution
- You can enjoy the natural scenery and architecture around you
- Increase your life span through exercise and reduce stress levels
- Increase the amount of vitamin D you produce
- You don't have to park it!!
- It may be cheaper just to use buses and taxis
- Not just zooming from A-B in the bubble of a car
- You don't sit in traffic jams



What can we do?

- Renationalise public transport
- Campaign to improve public transport
- Reduce the **cost** of public transport
- Subsidise bus fares
- Lift share
- Walk to a healthier future
- Drive a scooter or bicycle instead
- Try to use bio-fuels and hybrid technology as they impact on the environment
- Make the bus fares cheaper!
- Joined up public transport policy!

Postcards – Streets are for...

Children's play

17 commenters supported more street play

- Ping pong in Hanover Community Centre yard (someone else wrote: Agree)
- To play hopscotch – a giant one from one end of Scotland Street to the other
- Skipping classes
- A big game of volleyball
- To play soft ball tennis, table tennis and badminton in if poss
- Have a few days a week during after school hours when streets are closed off for children playing (Others wrote: Me too! I agree! I agree!)
- Regular street play
- Children playing: races, junior olympics, ball games, climbing
- Making it a regular safe play area for children
- Weekly street closures for children to play (Someone else wrote: Agree)
- Ping pong at the end of the street
- Sitting outside chatting with neighbours as children play

1 comment opposed more street play

- Take children to the park!! Stop moaning about cars

Social space

10 commenters wanted streets used more for socialising with neighbours

- Sitting out
- A regular car-free time every week so neighbours can meet each other
- More outdoor activities on the streets
- More street parties (Zocalo and beyond) (Someone else wrote: Agree)
- No car parking, more walking and talking (Someone else wrote: Agree)
- A safe space for all generations to meet and enjoy each other's company
- Getting to know your neighbours
- Have Zocalo more regularly

1 commenter warned that socialising in the street can be noisy

- Please remember not everyone wants the noise – Streets are also for peace and quiet in front of homes that are a refuge from the stress of job and life!

Planting

6 commenters supported growing more in the streets

- More trees (real trees)
- Growing more – using street planters more communally, growing fruit trees in spaces like Cobden Road (someone else wrote: Agree)
- Growing vegetables & flowers (someone else wrote: Agree)
- More window boxes

Other ideas about using streets differently

8 commenters had a range of ideas about changing our behaviour and using shared spaces in new ways

- Cars parking with more awareness of pedestrians + needing wider area of pavements
- Rights for pedestrians not cars
- More activities for older people in the Hanover Community Centre – social club/games (scrabble, chess)
- More outdoor art
- Buses to train station, buses to Hove, more frequency (someone else added: 81!!)
- The community caring for the area
- Cleaning up the rubbish. Too dirty for children to play in.

Street design

7 commenters wanted bigger changes to the way our streets are designed

- Grass them over – stop the cars
- Please can we have a zebra crossing midway on Southover Street
- Better street lighting
- Tiny parks – grassy areas in the street where children can play and cross the street safely
- More bike storage
- More bike lanes & storage
- Residents parking/one way streets