

Public Consultation 2025 – Community Projects & Events

1. Christmas Market Event

We will be holding a Christmas Market, what types of stalls or activities would you like to see at the Christmas Market?

(Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Food & Drink
- ☐ Craft & Gift Stalls
- ☐ Live Music/Choirs

- ☐ Children's Activities
- ☐ Local Business Promotions
- ☐ Other (please specify): _____

2. Town Hall Entertainment Events

Would you be interested in attending new entertainment events at the Town Hall?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

What types of events would you like to see?

(Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Cabaret or Comedy Nights
- ☐ Live Music
- ☐ Theatre Performances
- ☐ Talent Shows

- ☐ Talks & Lectures
- ☐ Community Quizzes
- ☐ Other (please specify): _____

3. Local Markets & Community Trading Events

Would you support the Town Council organising regular community trading events such as a Flea Market, Swap Shop, Car Boot Sale, or Fruit & Vegetable Market?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Which types of market events would you be most interested in attending or participating in?

(Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Flea Market / Swap Shop (second-hand goods, clothes, books, etc.)
- ☐ Car Boot Sale (personal items sold from vehicles)

- ☐ Fruit & Vegetable Market (local produce and growers)
- ☐ Other (please specify): _____

How often would you like these events to take place?

- ☐ Weekly ☐ Monthly ☐ Seasonally ☐ Other (please specify): _____

4. Town Hall Repairs

The Town Hall is in need of investment for repairs and improvements to continue to support community events, would you support a small increase in the precept to help fund these repairs?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, what level of weekly increase would you consider reasonable?

- ☐ £0.25 per week
- ☐ £0.50 per week
- ☐ £1.00 per week
- ☐ More than £1.00 per week

5. Community Garden

We will be starting a community garden space, what features would you like to see?

(Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Vegetable Beds
- ☐ Flower Borders
- ☐ Seating Areas

- ☐ Wildlife Habitats
- ☐ Educational Workshops
- ☐ Other (please specify): _____

Would you like the opportunity to take part in this project? YES/NO (please provide contact info at the end.)

6. Annual Community Clean Up

Would you participate in clean events organised by the Town Council?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

How often would you be willing to take part?

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| ☐ Monthly | ☐ Quarterly | ☐ Occasionally | ☐ Other (please specify): _____ |
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7. BBQs on the Esplanade

Would you support designated BBQ areas on the Esplanade?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you have any concerns or suggestions regarding BBQ use?

(Please specify): _____

8. Repairs Café

Would you use or volunteer at a community Repairs Café?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

What types of items would you like help repairing?

(Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Small Appliances
- ☐ Clothing
- ☐ Furniture

- ☐ Electronics
- ☐ Bicycles
- ☐ Other (please specify): _____

9. Play Equipment Upgrades

Would you support the Town Council **exploring the possibility** of upgrading play equipment in some of our recreational spaces?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

What types of improvements would you like to see?

(Tick all that apply)

- ☐ Inclusive Play Equipment (accessible for all abilities)
- ☐ Adventure Play Features (climbing walls, zip lines, etc.)
- ☐ Natural Play Areas (logs, boulders, sensory gardens)

- ☐ Seating and Shaded Areas for Families
- ☐ Other (please specify): _____

10. Do you feel that East Cowes Town Council delivers good value for money through its precept?

(Please circle appropriate response below)

Yes

No

Unsure

If you're unsure of what East Cowes Town Council provide, please consider the services and facilities below;

Services and Facilities Provided by East Cowes Town Council:

- Town Hall – A historic venue used for community events, classes, and private hire.
- The East Side Curve – A community hub housing:
 - East Cowes Community Library
 - Meeting rooms
 - Public toilets
 - Clerk's Office
- Esplanade Facilities – Including:
 - Paddling pool (open May–September)
 - Picnic benches
 - Tennis court
 - Public toilets
- Recreational Areas – Such as:
 - Skatepark
 - Parks and gardens
 - Multiple play areas (regularly inspected and maintained)
- Public Toilets – Two sets, cleaned daily and maintained by council staff.
- Community Events and Grants – Support for local activities and small grants for community groups.
- Venue Hire – For parties, meetings, and regular classes.
- Local Information and Support – Including scam awareness, cost-of-living resources, and links to social services.
- New Projects – Recent and planned improvements like:
 - Refurbishment of Esplanade toilets
 - Skatepark reconstruction
 - Community orchard
 - Beach hut for community use
 - Community cinema and market
- Advocacy and Planning – Representing local interests in planning and development matters.

Demographic Information & Prize Draw Entry

Please provide the following optional information to help us understand who is responding to this consultation:

Age Range:

- ☐ Under 18
- ☐ 18–24
- ☐ 25–44
- ☐ 45–64
- ☐ 65+

Postcode (first part only, e.g., PO32): _____

Would you like to be entered into our prize draw for a local gift voucher?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please provide your name and contact details:

Name: _____

Phone or Email: _____