



# Portobello Community Council

Of the 423 respondents to the survey, 296 provided additional comments or suggestions for the development of the site, as listed below.

	COMMENTS	OTHER SUGGESTIONS
Support	<p>Aldi's is not a huge supermarket and I don't think it will have much negative impact on high street shops like Finlays and the fish shop and might even bring more people to the high street. It might be welcomed by people in Craigentenny, who probably don't shop in Portobello anyway, and have nowhere much nearer than Morrisons. Scotmid and Sainsburys might have to up their game, and we might shop less at Asda and Morrisons..</p> <p>Realistically, I doubt that there will be funding housing alone. This combination seems a pragmatic compromise and we should be happy to see the development of this eyesore sight at the entrance to Portobello.</p> <p>What we should be doing is pressing for the best design possible. The shop design is not any of the alternatives that were displayed at the consultation and could be much improved. The materials used could be more sympathetic - either a local brick or stone facing. Detailed plans of the housing aren't available yet.</p> <p>I think the layout of the site could be improved to give a more attractive frontage onto the high street, with more landscaping. I understand that more car parking than the norm is included and this is not necessary. This space could be used for landscaped land, play space for the children living in the housing, or space for the artists' studios that are being lost. When replacing the artists' studios was raised at the consultation, the response was encouraging but doesn't seem to have materialised.</p> <p>Traffic is a major concern and the layout of the site should be reviewed, particularly in terms of entry/exit to the shop, taking main routes in away from the High Street, and amending the housing layout accordingly if necessary.</p>	<p>I see that there is provision for public art and I hope that this will be open to competition from local artists of whom we have many.</p> <p>A distinctive feature of Portobello is the large number of creative people in our community and I hope that studio/workshop space will be provided, at least equal to what is being lost. This would bring goodwill to the project.</p> <p>I would like to see as much landscaping as possible around the shop and car parking, particularly as seen from the main road. As well as private gardens for the houses, I hope there will be as much space as possible for community gardening and play areas for the children who will live there.</p>
Strongly Support		A well maintained play park
Strongly Object	I feel that we do not need more housing, especially a cheap Aldi version! I've seen their developments in other countries and they are usually ugly and soulless buildings. Portobello already has council looking estates which bring the look of the area down. The area is in need of development, especially development of Portobello high street, but I strongly believe this does not include housing.	A park.
Support	Consideration needs to be given to the remediation of contaminated land, particularly below the parks and gardens, considering the previous industrial use of the site.	

Neutral	Please ensure long term sustainable child friendly play areas for a range of age groups from toddlers through to teens.	<p>This development would see the loss of local work and rehearsal space for many local artists, crafts people, musicians and small businesses as the site currently houses Out of the Blue artist studios and Verden Studios.</p> <p>Their loss would impoverish the creative community in Portobello, an asset that improves the lives of many in Portobello and also has had a hand in the continuing reinvigoration of the area. There is an opportunity for the developers to support the rehousing of the artist's community locally by supporting Out of the Blue, as they are interested in rehousing locally, and therefore continue community and improve community benefit.</p> <p>Out of the Blue has established a reputation as an independent, dynamic and innovative cultural social enterprise. Out of the Blue is one of Scotland's leading community, cultural and arts development organisations working in partnership to provide economic, cultural, social and educational opportunities, to a significant number of people to make a real difference to their lives. It's recent redevelopment of Leith's Drill hall has shown their excellence in providing workspace for the creative industries with real community benefit.</p>
Object	<p>Towerbank Primary school is already at bursting point - how will it cope with another inevitable increase in pupil numbers?</p> <p>The junction at the top of Kings Rd is already a 'bottleneck' for traffic, particularly at rush hours. What would be the impact of the supermarket and housing, given the proximity to this already congested area?</p> <p>I would need to be convinced that there would be no negative impact to both of the questions I have raised above. I doubt that this can be done and therefore object to the proposal.</p>	
Strongly Object	The local primary school is bursting at the seams. There is an aldi 2 miles down the road and the high street has struggled through the recession so there is no justification for this aldi	
Support	Local poorer families that cannot afford bus fares or unfit people who can't travel to supermarkets need a reasonably priced store to do their main shop in. to create quality of life housing they should not be too densely built.	A new employment opportunity. Some kind of light industry or food factory would be good too.
Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Insufficient parking for the number of proposed houses.</li> <li>- Residential development is far too high and overwhelms the area. In particular the four story buildings should be reduced to 3 story.</li> <li>- Population density too high for the proposed open space areas.</li> <li>- The number of proposed residential housing units is too high for the proposed open space areas and should be reduced.</li> <li>- Proposed open spaces are distributed throughout the development and could be more consolidated providing fewer but larger areas.</li> <li>- Residential housing roofing lacks vision and styling.</li> </ul>	<p>The community would benefit from larger open space area.</p> <p>The many small proposed open space areas could be more consolidated into fewer but larger open space areas.</p> <p>The community would benefit from a childrens play area situated in one of the larger the open space areas and a good number of benches in the open space areas for residents to sit on.</p>
Support	I previously objected, but have changed my thoughts. I now think it would benefit the residents on prices & choice. It would remove the eyesore that currently exists & all other points listed above	
Strongly Support	I live opposite and support this	

Object	There's no need for another supermarket in Portobello as we have lots of shops on the High Street and major supermarkets less than 2 miles away.	I'd love to see more free facilities for children. There should be more play areas. A community garden for elderly would also be excellent.
Strongly Support	There will be no impact on the high street with the Aldi store as there will be over 200 new houses with tenants buying into it. It will bring needed regeneration to the area.	Swing Park.
Support	I am broadly in favour as this site has been an eyesore for too long.	
Strongly Support	Aldi would be a great benefit for Portobello, particularly for those of us that don't drive & are crippled by the cost of the High Street. Those that can afford to shop on the High Street will continue to do so, where as those that instead walk to Musselburgh or Asda to use the shops will be able to shop locally for a change.	
Object		Continuation and development of out of the blue studio space and arts centre.
Strongly Object	Congestion in Portobello is already at all time high. The junction at Kings Road is already very busy and very dangerous for pedestrians. Not an ideal place for a supermarket. Also the proposal to bring a low budget supermarket to Portobello will ultimately take business away from our local shops which many members of the community have supported tirelessly over the years in order to keep our sense of community and to keep these shops open. Unfortunately, a budget supermarket may mean an end to locally run family businesses who simply cannot compete with a chain such as Aldi. Musselburgh high street and Fisherow are perfect examples of thriving businesses which have been driven out of business since Aldi and Lidl opened leaving empty retail units and a large number of undesirable shops opening such as bookies, instant cash shops and pound shops. Deliveries to the Sainburys local on the high street already causes huge traffic problems, brings articulated lorries into very narrow streets and is a danger for young children and elderly people using the pedestrian crossing. We do not want this issue to be replicated at an already very busy area.	
Strongly Support		Space for 10 to 16 year olds
Strongly Object	Quite apart from there being NO NEED FOR ANOTHER SUPERMARKET in Portobello, and the potential harm it would case to our re-generating High Street with its small independent businesses, the associated housing designs seem particularly poor - this is an important site, and demands a much higher standard of architecture.	More mixed use unit / studio / workshop provision for varied employment potential, not just car parking and retail!
Support	<p>I welcome the spirit of the housing proposals but have concerns about the car parking provision. Fishwives Causeway currently has double yellow lines for over half of its length on both sides adjacent to the Ford Garage. This is a key cycle route into Edinburgh and the Design and Access Statement plan on page 34 does not show the number of spaces claimed whilst at the same time proposes car parking along the side of Fishwives Causeway. The ratio of cars to dwellings may well be higher than expected. How will this parking be controlled - as it may become a park and ride location for commuters (as many Portobello streets already are).</p> <p>The description of a Community Park is encouraging but the reality (as drawn albeit indicatively) is a path across grass with a few trees. This does not constitute a 'Community Park'. We would need to see a lot more detail on this and consideration for proper community use.</p> <p>I am particularly concerned that the substantial growth in population will have an impact on the local school population. One of the schools (Towerbank) is already one of the largest primaries in Edinburgh and has deficient space standards - particularly in terms of</p>	

	<p>their grounds. There may be some financial contribution made to the CEC but the community need to see this reflected directly into investment in Portobello's Primary schools. St Johns may well be rebuilt and so will need to comply with current standards, but Towerbank may be left with no support for its growing cohort unless a direct agreement is made.</p> <p>I think the red brick box that the superstore will be, is a crude response to the character and quality of Portobello. There may have been an industrial character to the site but this has long gone and is not necessarily to be the lead fro new development. Red Brick is a low common denominator architecturally and is not in keeping with this as a gateway development at the entrance to Portobello.</p> <p>The red and grey brick is utterly anonymous and does not enhance the character of Portobello - the illustration on page 54 is quite at odds with the design flair or quality of those images used on page 50 of the Design and Access Statement.</p> <p>In urban design terms I am not convinced that the open edge to the high street represents 'high quality public realm'. The detailed landscape plane shows 4 sycamore trees and some paving/benches. This could be much improved and I would like to see more effort put into what this 'high quality' public realm actually is.</p> <p>Overall therefore I support the conceptual approach but have reservations about the detail - as described above.</p>	
Strongly Object	<p>There is clearly a need for affordable housing in Edinburgh but the inclusion of the Aldi store is effectively using the housing as trojan horse by which to develop a supermarket on the site. I have serious concerns for the traders on the High Street if this goes ahead. As has been said many times we have numerous supermarkets within a few miles of the High Street and a COOP and Sainsburys within a minute of the High Street. There is absolutely no need for another store. I also have concerns about the impact of the new housing on school roles in the area. Towerbank Primary has had a new extension recently but even with that is overstretched and oversubscribed. Whoever does the projections and calculations for the Council has some serious questions to answer and I can only hope the new High School is being built with a realistic capacity in mind. Either way, I suspect that a large influx of new families from this development will not have been considered.</p>	<p>If it goes ahead - a new West Porty primary school instead of a supermarket might be a good idea. Otherwise - play areas and outdoor areas. green space and small shops that could be operated by local people on a manageable scale.</p>
Support	<p>Will bring a much needed development to the site, and more affordable housing!</p>	
Strongly Object	<p>This particular site would cause increased congestion especially because of the supermarket. Morrison is near, Scotmid and Asda to where there is good bus links. Portobello does not need a supermarket there and I think it would negatively impact on local business and environment..</p>	<p>If housing goes ahead a play park a garden area but away from road.</p>
Object	<p>This is a very traditional development that does not show any imagination of what could be done with the site. Adding housing and a supermarket based on more cars in and out of Portobello is madness! I think developing the site is a good idea but it needs to be done in a way that helps not hinders solving local issues with transport and community space. While ALDI would provide jobs they would be very low paid jobs with few further benefits for the community.</p>	<p>Outdoor areas for community projects, e.g. growing food. Thoughts on transport and communications that link the development without the need for a lot of private cars. The energy use and sustainability of the development - could it produce it's own energy, have green roofs?</p>

Strongly Object	I would ask the City of Edinburgh Council to turn down this ill thought through application. The impact of traffic on an already congested Portobello High Street will make it nightmareish.	
Strongly Object	I believe housing is the better option instead of the supermarket. More housing is strongly needed for residents of Edinburgh. The traffic impact on the area would be worse. There are already lots of supermarkets in the surrounding neighbourhood that we don't need one. I think the residents of the housing complex would benefit the high street by visiting and bring their business to the local shops.	Affordable housing for the young and the retired. And a suitable car park, that won't cause any problems coming in or out.
Neutral	Find it difficult to assess whether this is an advantage for Portobello as do like the idea of a small community. However the site as it is, is a mess.	
Strongly Object	Portobello needs more new houses, especially affordable housing and retirement flats. There are far too many supermarkets as it is within a few minutes drive of Portobello. We do not need another one. The small shops on the High Street are struggling to make a profit at present and some will go out of business if this proposal goes ahead. Red brick will not match the existing houses in the conservation area. The main building material in the conservation area is sandstone. A much lighter cream brick would be far more suitable like the 1970s houses in Harbour Place.	
Strongly Object	A supermarket there will kill off the remaining shops on the high street.	Not a supermarket :-)
Support	Pleased to see development proposals that will bring this site in to much needed use.	Commitments to ensure the existing community infrastructure on the existing site is not lost. Contributions towards relocation and help for existing users to find new and alternative affordable accommodation within Portobello.
Strongly Object	Portobello High Street will be badly affected by another supermarket, it is in a bad enough situation. There are plenty of local supermarkets, we do not need another	
Support	I don't feel the Aldi supermarket development is a problem - it will probably have more impact on Morrisons on Portobello Road, and possibly Asda, rather than local traders. The reduction of the planned number of houses in the housing development is welcomed and a further reduction should be pushed for. An emphasis on housing for the elderly would reduce the impact on the local infrastructure and should be encouraged.	
Support	Nothing further to add. On balance I think it is a good thing	
Neutral	Whilst generally supportive of these plans to develop this brownfield site, I am particularly worried about the potential impact on Towerbank Primary School, which is already full, and I have strong concerns about the limited amount of accessible green space proposed.	
Neutral		Another surgery
Object	STORE: There is already plenty of supermarket provision within easy reach by bus or car. There is an Aldi store at the approach to Musselburgh. The number of car parking spaces proposed for Aldi is puzzling - why so many for this size of store? Is the balance of housing and store likely to swing in favour of Aldi ? Traffic problems would be huge, with the inevitable increase in vehicles and access to the site being on the High St; specifically, how will vehicles exit and turn right?  HOUSING: The layout and spacing of the units looked good on the display at Portobello Town Hall, but an enormous 4-storey block is now apparently proposed on Fishwives Causeway. More housing on the site would be appropriate, given that CEC have to	

	identify more land for housing.  MATERIALS: It is now apparently proposed to build both store and housing in red brick - not used anywhere else in the area. The former Ramsay Tech is in industrial brick - quite different. And to cite the long-demolished power station as a 'match' is utter nonsense.	
Strongly Object	We do not need another supermarket in the Portobello area, even one with limited lines of produce. This would spell the death knell to the remaining shops on the High Street (and the Co-op) all of which already struggle due to lack of parking etc.	More parking for High Street and beach users. A doctor's surgery?
Support	Time to move this site on! This development should benefit the wider community and provide a springboard for the development of the remaining site.	No
Strongly Support	None of the building on the site should be higher than 3 stories	
Strongly Object	The petrol fumes are concentrated at this busy junction yet people are expected to live and breathe in this pollution !  Why 4 storey's high buildings Will there be lifts ?  Portobello needs local shop support and not another supermarket,	A much larger centre Greenspace and if young families are expected to be residents then a Children's play area should be provided
Strongly Object	There is no need for another supermarket and it will threaten the Town Centre's viability and vitality. It is outwith the Town Centre	Yes. More Housing - the Plan should be for Housing and Community Uses as in the NWPortobello Development Brief. Out of the Blue and Verden Studios have been told there is no space for them I believe. I would like to see the whole site for affordable housing for all sizes of households and all ages...the key being affordable eg mix of Housing Association/Council/low cost housing to rent/buy and plenty of recreational space and community/arts facilities to complement what exists in Portobello.
Object	We really don't need another supermarket	More green space/play area for children
Strongly Support	Relocation of studios at Out of the Blue -not mentioned in the Design Document! Whilst I don't think that the impact on schools etc is a reason to object I am interested to know about school places? This must be considered.	Relocation of the artists and businesses in Out of The Blue, elsewhere in Porty. £ to the school to expand it?
Neutral	Portobello does not NEED a new supermarket - and Aldi does not NEED a new store. The residential development might benefit from a communal meeting space (park, cafes, SMALL shops) instead....	If the developers want to claim that the Aldi parking lot will encourage Aldo customers to also visit the shops in the centre of Portobello, then a limit of 90mins or 2hours is not enough.
Strongly Object	Portobello does not have the infrastructure, particularly in terms of primary schooling, doctors surgeries and traffic congestion, to cope with this new development .	
Support	Why are all these areas not kept better prior to planning applications. Of course it would be better developed with houses and shops but isn't it about time the council provided better community facilities. Could something that would benefit the community not be added that the council could own eg scout/brownie hall. This would add to the community and the council could get these private companies to build it and they would still have something rather than just selling and left with nothing. Kids sports hall/martial art dojo. There is never forward thinking or sustainability.	As above Brownie/scout hall Dojo martial art hall Youth club In general a hall the council can access for activities at discounted rates, for kids elderly, indoor bowling cafe etc. one where the community can obtain and council together where private clubs aren't out priced and schools etc can access with storage and facilities. How about bringing back the indoor bowling, not busy but essential to some elderly peoples lives.
Support	Glad something is going to be created on this area.	
Object	I feel that we need to have more housing as there is a shortage. Putting small amounts of housing with this development is in my opinion an afterthought. If feels like the	More houses, more independent retailers.

	developer is so desperate to build a supermarket, which is not needed, that they have added a few houses to keep people happy.	
Object	Who would like to live there? So close to the main road? There is an Aldi already in the west end of Musselburgh. Why do we need another one?	Workshop space for people to set up their local business in Portobello.
Support	It will be great to see this site developed from the current eyesore	I am concerned to see the re instatement of the roundabout at the junction with portobello road, Harry Lauder road and Seafield road in the graphics for the plans.  I hope this is simply sloppy draftsmanship and not a declaration of intention.....The current system with the lights is a vast improvement on the previous arrangement and some account needs to be taken of increased traffic arising from the project.
Strongly Object	They are going to build houses at Newcraighall, no need for more. The impact on small business will be devastating. Who wants to look at flats, where will the traffic go, the Harry Lauder road at 5 to 6pm is nose to tail, how will having more houses not impact on the traffic. As for an Aldi store, asda is just minutes away. What about the impact on schools?	a park for the community would be good not houses and shops
Support	My main concern is access arrangements and the addition of more traffic to an already heavily congested High Street. I think there are valid arguments both for and against Aldi, which leaves me feeling fairly ambivalent about the impact it will realistically have on the High Street independent retailers.	
Object	Housing - object to use of red brick, the few Portobello buildings in brick use a mellow cream, crazy to argue for red brick on basis that red brick was used for the demolished power station. Prefer stone but mellow creamy-coloured brick as Adelphis acceptable. Terrace housing OK but huge block on High Street ghastly,like a prison, must be changed and preferably reduced in height to allow view of Arthur's Seat. Block on Fishwives Causeway has some design. Approve of use of site for housing and Aldi.  Aldi - don't object in principle but disappointed that comments/design made by public at the consultation don't seem to have been taken into account."There's a need for a small local store, present High Street shops couldn't cope with increased houses at Baileyfield and the Prom. The planned Aldi takes up about one third of the Baileyfield site which is disproportionate. A store of this size with abundant parking will attract out-of-the-area cars and cause considerable traffic congestion, especially at the Seafield/King's Road junction, as admitted by the applicants. The colony-style housing and adjacent green space is attractive. The green space is small but serves current demands. The high rise block on the High Street has some design but the blocks on Fishwives Causeway are too high and hideous and why the flat roofs? Suggest the store be reduced to not more than one sixth of the site area and the released area be used for colony-style housing. This application is being driven by Aldi with housing coming second."	The application mentions possibility of art work ? on Aldi. The City of Edinburgh Council has in store the coat-of-arms of the former power station. It's of sandstone, large and in need of some restoration and would add considerably to the interest and appearance of a building, possible Aldi, in the development.
Strongly Object	I already can't get my son into the nursery I want to get him into. 106 primary 1's started at town and primary school this year. By the time my 2 year old goes there , this will be way more. There needs to be plans for another primary school and nursery school way way before more housing is built, and definitely way way way before a supermarket is	Nursery, primary school, art complex, music studio.

	built on prime land. Also, we all love the independent shops in portobello, we don't need an aldi...there is a lidl in Musselburgh. It is just not necessary.	
Object	I have already registered a comment with regards the height of the residential buildings. People in portobello value the community feel of a town. The high flats and supermarket are more suited to Central Edinburgh. Nearby morrison's has pretty much killed the local shops. Plus the congestion on the main junction would be bad. Why not create a more thoughtful space, with green parks or community gardens? You could still have affordable living accommodation and small holdings for more appropriate shops, as suited to Portobello's existing character. It would encourage further regeneration of this end of the high street, where many shops and pubs remain unused.	As above. Green spaces. Parks. Community or small owner businesses. Perhaps a community centre.
Neutral	Very worried about the traffic and secondly the impact on the high St	
Strongly Object	Feel we have enough local supermarkets in the area. Let's shop local and support our High Street.  200 new homes will add significantly to traffic and demand for local services. Portobello is already a heavily populated area.	Community allotments
Support	I live in the cottages In front of the proposed site and if it means my house will once and for all get fixed in the process of it all then I welcome any plans been here almost 9 years and had so many promises of my home been fix by landlord and nothing been done with two disabled children I don't want to move we are happy and settled here. I think it's a great idea all over	It would be nice to have a little play park for the children
Support	I am in favour of this development. People need homes and this site needs development. This application is a significant improvement on previous attempts. I would be concerned that we might not end up with all the phases. The phases work well together but losing any one of the phases would turn my support into an objection.	I expect it is part of detailed planning but I would like to see a children's play area. We are going to need another primary school, I fear.
Strongly Object	Brown field sites must be prioritised for housing in order to reduce the pressure to use the limited areas of green belt remaining in south east Edinburgh. The whole area should be used for housing. The previous proposed supermarket development was refused following a public enquiry. This was based on the number of supermarkets in the area as well as the likely impact on the smaller independent shops in Portobello. There have been no significant changes in Portobello to indicate that this decision should be over turned.	
Support	As others commented in the Facebook consultation the numbers of children who would probably move into the new properties seems to have been underestimated. My experience since moving to Portobello in 2009 and having two children is that most other people moving into the area (often replacing households with no school age children) quickly go from 0-1 child to 2 children and they are the people most in need of 3 bedroom properties. Towerbank is already a very large primary school. The doctors' surgery on the high street stopped taking on new patients at some point in 2012. More thought needs to be given to the infrastructure if the housing development goes ahead. However, I have no problems with the idea of an Aldi supermarket and it would not stop my use of the high street at all. If anything, I might use the shops at that end of Portobello high street more often than I currently do. I would go on foot and would probably order fewer deliveries from ASDA.	A doctors surgery?



Strongly Object	I met with Cruden / Aldi earlier this year at the Town Hall. I suggested more information regarding mixed use. The highly important and architecture of the Scottish Power buildings be retained within the development. The design of housing was challenged as this major development will be seen as the gateway to Portobello and East Lothian and a stronger vision for the long term architecture of the site needs to be addressed. We cannot end up with another monolith of a white washed, poorly constructed housing. Look at the foot of Bath Street and the state of the building that was erected. The designers should take inspiration for what could be a real opportunity to grasp the sheer importance of getting this development right. Let us look to using some exceptional materials and create a stunning legacy and push Portobello into a new era of architecture and design. After all, just look at the stunning examples of build in this wonderful part of the city.	More thought given to green space, the creative and artistic requirements of Portobello. More green space and areas for the community to come together. Recreational areas for the younger generation.
Strongly Object	The housing element should be increased, especially affordable and social rented housing.	The North West Portobello Development Brief mentions live/work units, artists' studios, etc, but they are not in the plan. Instead of supermarket, these kinds of uses should be included in the plans.
Support	Include solar power and water heating in the design of the houses & flats.	
Strongly Support	Scotmid's expensive. Other supermarkets too far out for non-car drivers. Am all for local shops but all tend to be pricy, twee and middle-class.	So long as it's social and affordable housing.
Strongly Object	No more boring low quality housing! If anything should be built then how about some nice detached family homes for professionals!!! Portobello also cannot deal with any additional traffic (however this shouldn't be too much of an issue if flats are not built) and finally especially since the addition of sainsburys there is no NEED for a supermarket and this would be purely for local convenience - which is not a good use for the space.	Definitely not more flats. They would only benefit the people that want to live in them but not the current local demographic.
Support	Good to see the site being developed.	Can't the developer and the council do something to keep the Out of the Blue artists in Porty? Would be a positive outcome if both the development AND the ongoing creative/small businesses could go forward here.
Support	I would question the height of the 3 storey flats fronting Harry Lauder road contrasting too and overwhelming the existing low rise residences on either side. Also some more open areas within the residential element , a park area , for residents children would be ideal. There is nothing on their doorstep as per plans at the moment. I note a small spot for public art , this seems rather a token concession. Public art , monuments and finely designed buildings are part of Portobello and should be a bigger consideration in such a landmark site. If developers are keen then they should recognise that finer details such as above are what make a difference to the acceptance and integration of new developments into an established community. Such considerations may add to costs and reduce profit but in the long term the town deserves better and architects and planners should be bolder and produce an end result to enhance the area for the future , not just do enough to tick boxes .	
Neutral	How wholly unimaginative this project is.  Here's an opportunity to put something iconic at the entrance to Portobello.  Is it really the case that so called "Planning"can only consider commercially driven projects whereby a "developer"suggests some project which will produce him a profit ie Cheaply built houses and another unnecessary retail unit? Is there no place for a piece of civic architecture or even art like The Kelpies to mark the entrance to our iconic Burgh of Porty?	

	Is it just me that thinks like this? There's already far too much itsy bitsy batches of cheaply built housing units in this stretch of roadway on both sides. Why build more?	
Support	More thought required on impact on public transport. Buses can already be overcrowded at peak times.	
Strongly Object	Apart from the above one major concern is the future of local musical and cultural activities going on in that area (see Verden Studios). I suggest that would be included in the project instead of another supermarket. Culture has to be supported.	I would like to see culture and music included and supported in a project regarding that area.
Object	Too much housing in an unsuitable location. I support the Aldi proposal	Small industrial units/ workshops
Strongly Object	Definitely no need for yet another supermarket. We have co-op, sainsburys, asda all very close with Aldi and Tesco within less than 2 miles. There would be substantial deleterious effect on the High Street shopping which is already struggling. In addition, there is already a capacity problem at Towerbank Primary school. This would make it far worse. Plus, the local GP surgery has for long been full.	
Support	I don't want my comments to amount to an objection to this proposal because development of this site is much needed. However, I am concerned about how the local schools (Towerbank and PHS) will cope with the additional children that the family housing in this development will attract. What reassurance can the Council give that it has a suitable plan in place to ensure the capacity of these schools is not compromised if this development goes ahead?	I have heard many comments from local people about their concern that the studios and rehearsal space used by local bands and artists will be lost as a result of this development. Portobello has a very creative community and I strongly feel that a community facility that will promote music and artistic endeavours should be provided - I would be happy to see the retail and associated car parking element scaled down to provide this.
Support	I feel that this site has laid derelict for long enough. Each development proposal has needed some retail outlet to balance the development budget, and it seems to me that an aldi store would be complementary to existing shopping provision within portobello. Traffic matters will no doubt be pored over by engineers - I would ask whether car access to the site could beneficially be taken from fishwives causeway as opposed to the main street, as this could possibly make use of the existing traffic signal junction and roundabout, and avoid potential conflict with the bus movements through the busy kings road stops.	Some retail developments now include multi functional space for community use, administered by the retail company. As a complementary alternative, could the development offer some modest single user rental units for local artists or small businesses? Would the development create need for new doctors surgery, possibly on site? I think it is important that the development is porous to foot and bicycle traffic, with direct access to the harry lauder pelican and the main street pelicancrossings, so that it can form a part of the portobello public space rather than become a 'separate' development, effectively and visually 'gated' by the supermarket access and car park
Strongly Object	We do not need another supermarket in Portobello , there is nothing that it sells that can't already be bought on the high street.	A walk in medical type centre or doctors and dental practice
Support	It is good to see development on Brownfield and not on Greenbelt. Also this site has been unused for a period of time and is beginning to be an eyesore.	Development of public services
Strongly Object	I would be very happy to see a new mixed housing development which also included affordable housing. However, whilst I do sometimes shop at Aldi's (in Musseburgh) & have nothing against them in principle I strongly object to a store being built on this site. I treasure our High Street shops hugely, they are part of what makes Portobello such a vibrant & lively community to live in. We are surrounded by supermarkets in our area already and I believe our High Street shops would face an uphill struggle to compete with yet another supermarket in our midst. Housing YES, Aldi, NO	I would much rather see the retaining & development of Verden Studios. It is a brilliant space and should be highly prized as a community resource in my opinion. This building could be developed for use by all age-groups and could include arts, crafts, music, training, indoor sports facilities, possibly under-five childcare & functions
Strongly Object	already easy access to Scot-mid, Aldi, Lidl, Asda, Teasco, Sainsbury's in the area. Portobello High Street is already congested with heavy traffic and having another supermarket in the vicinity will only make matters worse. Planning permission for a Tesco Supermarket has already been turned down. So what has changed? Besides	The site for the Aldi could be used for a Community Centre with a couple of lanes for indoor bowling, table tennis , basket ball etc.

	Hairdressers', Cafes' Fruit shops there are very little good and variety of shops in Portobello. Putting in another Supermarket will only force the existing shops to close. Hopefully the housing that is being build is Eco friendly and could be expanded upon .	Looks like this development has already been put into operation. The photograph is out of date .The Kings Road Roundabout has been replaced by traffic lights for ten years!!!!
Strongly Support	Currently I travel to cheap supermarkets so I would shop in Aldi instead.	
Object	Design and proportion of houses are too high . 220 houses would impact heavily on already heavy traffic especially at rush hours with the additional cars households now have. Small retirement homes with green space would be acceptable.  Surely this space should have been obtained to build the new Portobello High School.	Portobello is a unique and individual area. Not the city centre. Too many houses are already being built east of Edinburgh which too will have a detrimental affect on the infrastructure.
Object	I personally have no concerns with there being an Aldi, we shop there, although there is one generally accessible by bus and car on the outskirts of Musselburgh. There are also plenty of other local shops in Portobello that can and should be used by local people. My main objection is the increase in housing without any school to support it. From what I can see this site falls within the Towerbank/St. John's catchment area. Towerbank is already the biggest primary school in Edinburgh. It now has 5 P1 classes and has only just taken on an extension to accommodate all students on one site. In addition to this with the proposed implementation of free school meals for P1-P3 in the New Year the school is already struggling to find the space to accommodate this with the number of pupils it has. If 200 + houses are to be added to the area without accommodating the need for more school places (in an area where it is mainly young families who are moving into the area, and apart from the retirement flats, it can be assumed this will be the case here) it just looks like it will put too much strain on the already stretched educational accommodation that already exists.	A school!
Strongly Object	Our local schools are full to bursting already so where will all these extra children be educated ?  The impact on traffic will be horrendous as at the moment we have dailly traffic jams.  This development will completely ruin the village feel that Portobello has. Let's think of community over money making.	
Object	It would mean more traffic on the already very busy road, the high street between Joppa and Bath street is quite narrow and struggles as it is	
Neutral	It is great to see potential development of this site after so long. I fully support the idea of more housing but would like to see more than the minimum requirement of 25% affordable. I would also like to see more vision in terms of sustainability and making this area a really great place to live. It would be good to see larger areas of green space, including areas for growing / community gardening, play and recreation. Can we use this opportunity to make this a site that other areas across the city can learn from? Is it possible to make the store more attractive, I am not an architect but I think that there should be something more offered than the proposal given, I have remained neutral on the store as it is not something I want particularly but I can see how others might benefit. However I am concerned about the effect on the High Street.	I would like to see a definitive answer on what will happen in terms of schooling for the proposed families. I would like to see more in terms of facilities for play / recreation, perhaps specifically for our girls and teenagers, planned in a participatory way with those it's targeting.
Strongly Object	We can not have a supermarket in such close reach of the high street. The local business's will suffer greatly and it will lend itself to further demise of the high street. We need more community services if there is to be addition housing in the area. e.g. schools, leisure facilities etc	

Strongly Support	The present site is an eye sore. Will be good to see it put to good use. Will also be great to have a supermarket at this end of portobello. My only concern is the traffic, but I am sure this has been discussed and carefully thought out.	
Strongly Support	Please consider potential traffic problems carefully and consult and take action to prevent rush-hour nightmares. Hot summer days are particularly congested as people want to head to the seaside (and leave later in the day).	Aldi should prioritise their involvement in the local community, perhaps with community information board advertising jobs, local services etc. Portobello is a feisty community with a history of being 'anti-corporate', anti-supermarkets etc. Aldi should somehow emphasise that they do not wish to take business away from the already floundering High St. Glad that social housing is being incorporated.
Strongly Object	Portobello High Street is already congested and the store would significantly impact on this. Through traffic, except PSVs, emergency vehicles and cyclists, should be stopped from traversing Portobello.	
Support	Any 4 storey development on this site will spoil the visual impact of Arthur's Seat. We have never had colony style housing in Portobello. The supermarket should really fit in with the rest of Portobello which is mainly stone.	
Support	The issue of impact on schools has to be addressed ie how many children could be realistically be expected to be added to local school rolls. Is the formula used to predict this reliable?	
Object	The residential block on the High Street frontage should be either faced in stone like the developments at the former Fun Park and in Windsor Place, or in a brindle coloured facing brick similar to those produced at the Niddrie brickworks (see cottages in Niddrie and some in Adelphi Place ) The red brick used at Ramsay Institute is unusual here and is almost certainly not local. As for the red engineering brick for building the long gone power station I expect this was chosen for strength not aesthetics in 1923. My next objection is to the size of the supermarket car park. Drivers should not be encouraged to use it for long stay. This is not allowed at Scotmid, Asda, Meadowbank, etc. Let us have a little more amenity space (or more residential units). My last objection is to the proposed road access. If the design could be amended to be further east, to allow for the exit to be controlled by traffic lights, linked to the existing lights at Fishwives Causeway and to allow for right hand turns out of the site. This would also have the benefit of allowing for the bus stops on both sides to operate the necessary driver changeovers without causing the congestion and danger inherent in the present scheme.	May the public art promised be open to competition among the designers we have in the Portobello area.
Object	This site is in need of development. Portobello could benefit from a new supermarket. More housing is needed but the proposal does not reflect the type of housing that is needed. There is a surplus of flats in the Portobello area (even more so with the huge development on the promenade). There is a massive need for family houses that include good sized gardens, not colony style flats. There is a serious lack of affordable family houses in Portobello. The number of flats that has been proposed will have a massive impact on Towerbank primary school that is already at capacity and will be seriously overcrowded by the additional families that will move into this development and the large development on the prom.  Please please please consider reducing the number of units being squeezed onto this	Good quality family homes with decent gardens.

	site and provide family houses with gardens that is so much needed by those already living in the area.	
Object	Local facilities (eg Towerbank school) seem already near capacity. Can't see a new supermarket resolving this?  However it is very encouraging to see this brownfield site developed.	Community facility or assurance from Edinburgh council re:school expansion.
Strongly Object	The development will overwhelm local transport & service structures	Emphasis on affordable & retirement housing, fewer housing units & no store, we already have a new Sainsbury's taking trade from the Scotmid & other local shops, Towerbank primary school is full to capacity despite it's extension. A park would be ideal.
Object	Portobello is already a peak-time bottleneck. Adding a retail supermarket and housing will just make this worse. And with Scotmid and Sainsburys in Portobello, and Morrisons/Tesco/Asda/Aldi and Lidl all within easy reach, we don't need the supermarket. The idea for housing is good but, even then, the access routes into the site are inadequate.	
Support	The site is very difficult to use and it will be hard work to make it a desirable place to live. These proposals are the best there has been and there is very little likelihood of something better (or anything else) coming along. The dead end of Portobello could be rescued by this. The good local shops live by reputation, not location, and there is a chance that Porty will become a place to shop in, and not just for those who know.	
Strongly Object	Supermarket us not needed in the area.	Retain artist studio space.
Neutral	Lack of detail on design of housing makes it difficult to express a view. Shouldn't a development of this size plan for a primary school, doctors surgery etc?	Out of the blue artists studios to be retained or re provisioned in new building on part of the site.
Object	Viability of High Street threatened.	Mixed industrial with small work units. Area for smaller retail units. More facilities - doctors' surgery, library, sports.
Object	While I welcome the redevelopment of the area, I have concerns about the size of the supermarket and its impact upon the High Street, which is already under pressure.	A non-food outlet or mixed retail units would be better. I would also like to see more planting to soften the visual impact and play space for children in the area. Additionally, community facilities such as that offered by Verdun Studios would be welcome, since they provide a creative outlet for a demographic that is otherwise under served in the neighbourhood. Given that lets for local church halls are under threat, there is a diminishing number of venues for local community activities.
Support	This development would bring to that region of Portobello a welcome increase in population. The businesses in the West end of Portobello high street do suffer from a very low footfall which has resulted in nearly all the businesses on the South side of Portobello high street nearest the proposed development are currently closed & up for sale. Having a feature such as ALDIs as part of any revamp of Baileyfield would help with encouraging new ownership of these existing empty premises.	Currently there is an issue with traffic exiting Bridge street onto Portobello high street in the area adjacent the proposed development. The current situation where there is a light controlled pedestrian crossing less than 30M from a light controlled junction favouring a road with very little traffic is ludicrous. There will most definitely increase in traffic turning either into Bridge street or Baileyfield due to actual recent developments in bridge street or these proposed ones. Having the junction of Baileyfield road, Bridge street & the High street function as a single traffic controlled junction would alleviate current problems & any that arise due to the proposed development.
Object	The overall design is fundamentally flawed and in particular the site layout and overall design of the Aldi store is completely inappropriate for this context. The design statement provided by 7N Architects highlights virtually all of the shortcomings of the design in its attempt to justify them. The design of the Aldi store is clearly focused on the needs of the company in terms of running an efficient business and does not relate in any way to good	

	design that responds to local context. These points will be expressed and explained in more detail in a separate e-mail to Portobello Community Council to allow them to be considered and expressed as part of their formal response to the application if appropriate.	
Support	Good to see the site being developed. I hope the houses are affordable. An Aldi in portobello will not affect local business as the people who now travel to Musselburgh to shop there will just have one closer.	
Object	It appears that there is no exit from the new housing estate into Portobello Road which means that all traffic wanting to go into the road will exit into Portobello High Street. There is a lot of congestion already in the High Street and this proposal will only add to that. I object to the development on the grounds of congestion.	
Strongly Object	Portobello simply does not have the facilities to support such a huge influx to the population, a supermarket would impact negatively on existing high street shops and the increase in traffic at what is already a heavily congested area at times does not benefit anybody.	
Object	Surrounded by the "big 5" supermarkets there is no requirement for further provision of a supermarket. Aldi Musselburgh is well within reach, but without Aldi in Portobello it encourages people to stay and spend their money in Portobello. It is well documented that a pound spent in a big chain such as Aldi or any supermarket does not stay in the local community. That same pound spent locally in our independent shops stays in the community. Crucially though, this is a development "outwit the town centre" and goes against the local plan as far as the supermarket is concerned.	Community arts space, state of the art, attracting users from outwit Portobello. Space to be occupied by Aldi could be better given over to a developed and landscaped green space. A percentage of the new housing area could be designated "car free".
Strongly Object	I am in favor of future development of this site, however it seems to have been overlooked that there are a great many people making their living from the various artists studios and workshop spaces housed in the former industrial buildings currently on the site, I being one of them. This planning application would leave all of these people without space to continue operating there businesses and with no alternative provision. The amazing variety of businesses supported by this site at present is something that the community should be very proud of. They currently support carpenters, engineers, musicians, audio engineers, ceramicists, sculptors, painters, set designers and builders, theatre makers and performers and circus artists. Housing may well be needed but housing without provision for the continued operation of small businesses like these appears counterproductive to me. Portobello is well serviced in terms of food retail and services and I do not think it requires or would benefit from another supermarket. If these plans were to be given the OK we would trade a wonderful variety of creative local industry and talent for a single multinational retailer. This does not seem like development.	I would like to see the supermarket element removed from the plans in favor of better (perhaps more extensive) provisions for small businesses such as those already operating from the Arts Factory and The Power House (both managed by Out of the Blue).
Strongly Object	Stop It	Pubs
Neutral	Portobello doesn't need another supermarket. We do want our High Street to survive.	I'd like to see affordable housing and other types of housing only.
Strongly Object	The last thing Portobello needs is yet another supermarket. Some of the small local shops are already struggling and there are plenty of supermarkets within a very short distance of Portobello High Street. Supermarket shopping tends to be done by people using cars. We already have Scotmid and Sainsburys on the High Street and within a very short car journey from the High Street we have, Morrisons, Asda, Tesco, Lidl, Aldi Iceland (x2) plus a multitude of other stores at Fort Kinnaird. Portobello could benefit from some decent quality specialist shops.	I am now in the over 60 age bracket but I feel there is a real need for some development in the area for children and young people. When my son was a young teenager I had what was tantamount to having a Youth Club in my home with around 6/7 and sometimes more teenagers almost every evening.  Portobello is advertised as "Edinburgh's Seaside" this is a joke! There is very little to attract holidaymakers to Edinburgh's Seaside.

	Bringing another supermarket to that area would have major traffic implications for that particular site. I fail to see any benefit whatsoever in having another supermarket here.	
Strongly Object	Why is the planning committee so determined to ruin the businesses on the high street, clog up the high street with traffic, overcrowd the High school (thus claiming that the current proposal will require further extension and occupy more of the current park area). There were five intake classes this term at tower bank school all of which will impact upon the High school in a few years. Stop destroying the few remaining communities still struggling to exist in Edinburgh	
Support	Would prefer another store opposed to Aldi, however I support the building of new housing, providing traffic congestion is managed well	
Strongly Object	It will just lead to more empty shops in the high street. Which in turn will make portobello a place people will not want to visit.	Anything but a super market.
Strongly Object	One assumes that the planners have not tried travelling anywhere near Portobello during daylight hours. Travelling is a nightmare.	How about a nice big park to make up for taking away one and building a school on it???
Strongly Support	This is a welcome boost for the people of Portobello and I fully support the plans for development.	A NEW community "pub"
Strongly Support	I fully support this application, and feel it would add to the built environment of the community.	With two churches and their halls closing in the area, there is a real lack of community space. This would be worthwhile considering.
Support		Provision for a petrol station on the High Street again
Support	Good to see an old derelict site being developed for the local community.	
Object	Portobello does not need another supermarket and this development would cause congestion	An indoor bowling stadium and facilities for the retired.
Support	My main concern is the addition of another block of traffic to an already overburdened junction.  In addition to the housing proposals for Brunstane/Newcraighall/Millerhill, the roads structure may actually achieve total gridlock.	
Strongly Object	We need to revive that end of the high street, but an Aldi supermarket would achieve exactly the opposite. It would inevitably be cheap and ugly, and therefore inappropriate for a site which is the gateway to Portobello. I have no objection to the housing on this brownfield site, but it should be combined with more green space and community facilities.  Associated with thoughts about this site should be a larger vision for the waterfront area which has so much potential, but which currently is enjoyed by the back of car showrooms and a bus station!	Overall planning should include thoughts about how cyclists could more easily and safely cross the major junction at Kings Rd.
Object	I am certainly in favour of affordable housing and welcome the proposed plan in this respect. But there is absolutely no need for another supermarket - there is an Aldi in Musselburgh already and plenty of shopping on and around the High Street. I worry about the impact on other shops (especially independent businesses) and on traffic.  I also consider the current artist activity taking place in the old buildings on the Bailyfield site a benefit to the cultural life of Portobello and beyond. It will be a huge loss when these go without any provision to accommodate independent artists and cultural activity in the new plans.	Edinburgh in general and Portobello in particular lack affordable spaces for independent artists to work and meet. Any development of this scale should include provision for cultural activity and smaller scale independent business opportunities, such as social enterprises that can benefit the resident community more widely than an Aldi superstore.
Object	Presumably the proposed supermarket, if approved, will kill off what is left of Portobello high street. I can remember when the High street was a good shopping area - now it seems to be largely comprised of charity shops.J	

Neutral	<p>Housing: Retirement living good but the building may be bulky. Colony type housing may be interesting. The residential flats on Fishwife's Causeway seem rather high. Cruden says that because the plan is phased they will not draw a detailed design. All I have been able to find out from the plans is that bricks will be used. I am of the opinion that a final design is essential for appreciation and final approval.</p> <p>Traffic: Seafield may be congested during rush hour. Extra lights will be necessary. I think access to Aldi via Fishwife's Causeway may reduce congestion of the High Street.</p> <p>Aldi: The Aldi is a repetition of what there is already in the town centre. 1 co-op supermarket and a small sainsbury and is therefore in competition with it. The design does not show 'place, security and vitality'. The presentation day design showed a cheap looking warehouse type building with or without 'tower' and did not even offer the choice of a slated roof building.</p>	
Support	Generally it would be good to see the site being developed and I don't think a food retailer of any name would see the high street suffer. In fact, arguably it could increase footfall on the high street to support the small businesses in the area. My concerns are more related to services / schooling and traffic management in what is already a congested area and where schools are at bursting point, and doctors are already busy.	
Strongly Object	I live on Wakefield avenue and the traffic is becoming intolerable.	
Strongly Support	The proposed development will revitalise a site which has been semi derelict for many years. Any loss of trade by existing shops to the Aldi store should be more than off-set by increased trade from the residents of the new housing development.	
Strongly Support	a better site would have been on the site of power league as its been a thorn in the sides of every resident it has created flood-light -noise-traffic pollution for years the council should have got rid of this years ago,between tumbles and power league we see 3000 vehicles per day when i bought my house it was in a residential site over the years the council has managed to turn it into a industrial site its sickening to see what they have done,	yes extend the build right over on to the site of power league build more houses and give us a park for our grand-children,
Object	need to support local business and high street shops. Aldi will further damage local business and provide no benefit at all to the local community. Aldi already have a store in Musselburgh - we don't need or want another. They are only interested in profit.	
Strongly Support	Portobello needs something like this	Maybe another park the ones in portobello are looking a little tired
Neutral	<p>I'm still not convinced we need another supermarket, given Porty has Scotmid, and there are plenty others within easy reach, including Aldi in Musselburgh. However, a small supermarket like Aldi is a better idea than most. What guarantees are there that they won't add instore bakery etc later as Scotmid has done and as Lidl in Musselburgh has done?</p> <p>Car parking is a concern - 100% for the colonies and flats is not enough. Also I worry about the access to the site with the potential for cars queuing to turn in backing up the traffic on the High Street.</p>	
Support	I think this proposal is great more housing and jobs for portobello	
Support	I would support a smaller Aldi store. No bigger than the floor space of Scot-Mid. More colonies housing. An allotment type strip in the green spaces.	



Object	We already have several supermarkets in the area and an Aldi just a few miles down the road at Musselburgh. There is no need for another which would affect our local shops. Also it would greatly increase the traffic congestion at an already busy junction especially at peak times.	
Strongly Object	We already have a scotmid and a sainsburys , we don't want more flats here!	
Strongly Support	As a young new mother I am delighted about the prospect of new homes and supermarket in Portobello. I love my little one bedroom flat but it's impossible for myself, husband and baby to live in long term. The hope of being able to buy a bigger property and getting to stay in Portobello cheers me up no end. The supermarket is a great idea. More choice and value for money. Just can't be built quick enough.	
Object	I am thoroughly sick of supermarkets dominating every area in Scotland. We have Asda nearby, Lidl's in Musselburgh, Scotmid here in Portobello and hideous small supermarkets all over the city. We want the High Street here to thrive and to be able to buy affordable food from local suppliers. We also have more than enough traffic passing through here.	A good amount of green space, allotments, areas for nature, children etc.
Strongly Object	Well designed, 'green' mixed housing is needed; another supermarket is not. Housing for sale, low cost/affordable housing, rental accommodation, sheltered housing are all needed. Small shops on the Portobello High Street frontage and no high-rise housing to protect the views would improve the plans.	Innovative architecture, landscaping including trees would benefit everyone in the community.
Strongly Object	Although I have no objection to the site being used for housing I do object to the supermarket proposal. One of the appealing things about Portobello is that it is a local community and the town has some lovely local, independent shops, such as the butchers, fishmongers, organic shop. We already have a Scotmid in the town centre and the small Sainsburys, and a Tesco, Morrisons, Sainsburys and Asda all within very easy reach, giving local residents many options for their shopping needs. At peak times the traffic already gets congested, backing up from the junction at to the junction at Kings Road. A supermarket using that junction for access will only make this worse. As a resident of Kings Road I already struggle to park in my own street on many occasions and with increased traffic in the area this is only likely to get worse. As a mother of a new baby I expect this to make life more difficult for me personally when taking my child to and from my car.  I strongly oppose the proposal of the Aldi supermarket, or any additional supermarket in Portobello and I do not believe that we as a community require this and the negative impact that it will have on us and the local shop owners outweighs any benefits that the supermarket may bring. I would be deeply saddened to see any of our local shops disappear because they had lost trade to a supermarket.	I would like see the addition of some arts and music facilities in the development.
Support	On balance, this looks like a good development. It takes care of a derelict site which is benefiting no one. It may be a 'gateway' to Portobello, but the reality is that this will be a welcome boost to the West end of the High Street. It continues the erosion of Portobello's industrial past and it is, generally, inkeeping with what has become a popular suburban area for families and visitors alike. It has much to commend it.	Perhaps enhancing the eco or green credentials of the site would be a benefit.
Strongly Support	I'm all for the development. The only reservation that I have is regards the impact on traffic, but I'm sure that that can be taken care of. I am all for an Aldi store in Portobello. I think that it will be of benefit to the community.	Nothing that I can think of at the moment.
Object	The site does need to be redeveloped but the impact on existing infrastructure must be fully appreciated, particularly any additional in respect to potential impact housing will	Ideally the inclusion of more green space at the expense of parking would be desirable to encourage car free living. The inclusion of several City Car Club

	have on existing primary and secondary school capacity. Towerbank, even with its recent extension has little capacity to absorb further pupils.	bays could ameliorate reduced resident parking and add to the attractiveness of the development.
Object	Height of buildings will spoil the view from my windows	Nothing
Support	There has been concern raised about the impact of Aldi on local shops. Similar concerns were raised when the Sainsburys shop was proposed and the impact has been minimal. I think another supermarket would provide some healthy competition for existing retail food outlets, particularly Scotmid. Aldi will be situated some way from the town centre, so walking shoppers will continue to use the existing food stores and Aldi will tend to attract shoppers who would normally go to the two nearest large supermarkets (Morrisons or Asda). Aldi will also be attractive to the new residents on the Baileyfield site and the new nearby development on the promenade. I fully support the inclusion of Aldi in the development, but a carefully traffic analysis must be carried out so that road congestion can be avoided.	I would like to see a small allotment area created on the site. There is a large waiting list for allotments in Edinburgh so this facility would be useful for new and existing Portobello residents. The inclusion of allotment sites in new developments is the most effective way of providing extra sites and reduce the waiting list.
Strongly Object	The whole site should be developed for housing which would take some of the pressure off the proposal to develop Green Belt land at Brunstane. A retail store would have an impact on the vitality and viability of the independent shops on the High Street which operate on a very small profit margin and will be affected as the 3.3% retail impact states in the retail assessment. There will be major traffic implications for the High Street if the proposal goes ahead. The Kings Road junction will operate above capacity when phase 3 of the development is carried out. There will be huge problems for traffic exiting the store and wishing to turn right across the flow of traffic. The developers do not seem to have taken into account the fact that busses wait on either side of the High Street to allow for drivers changing over. It is ridiculous to say that red brick should be the main building material when the power station was demolished a long time ago. Red brick will not fit in with the conservation area where the main building material is either grey or red sandstone.	Artists' studios should be included in the development which would provide wider community benefit. This is one of the recommendations of the North West Portobello Development Brief.
Strongly Support	extremely happy this site is eventually being dealt with. after being a gap site for many years.	
Strongly Object	The proposal does not recognize the importance of the current occupants of the site. The Baileyfield site is currently home to a significant number of artists, musicians, athletes, small businesses, organisations, charities and social enterprises who through their combined presence and effort contribute greatly to the cultural identity of Portobello. As a resident and an employee of a music studio operating on the Baileyfield site, I am saddened to see the site being cleared in this way. Many jobs will be lost if this proposal goes through and that must also be considered. I am not against the development of the waste land or indeed the site but we need to incorporate the current occupants into the proposal.	Speaking personally, I would like to see a purpose built premises for Verden Studios included in the development plan. Accommodating Verden would allow us to continue providing an important service to the community and to build on our significant contribution to Portobello's cultural vibrancy. A purpose-built community-orientated music studio would be a real cultural asset to the locality and indeed the city. No such facility exists in Edinburgh as far as I know.
Object	The primary objection to this application is to the inclusion of a supermarket. The community as a whole campaigned hard and collectively not so many years ago to fend off the threat of a supermarket on this very site. All the arguments made then regarding the impact on the high street are as valid, if not more so now, as they were then - and these were heard by the planning authority. Portobello is reviving gradually and organically with a diversity of small and medium sized enterprises that lend diversity and character to the area offering both a quality of life and sense of community (it is an increasingly vibrant place to live and for children to be raised with a sense of place and belonging) - and offers another dimension of appeal ,to visitors so central too to the tourist economy.	There might be benefit for small affordable workshop units to let as has been trialed successfully in other new developments within the city

	<p>I have lived here for nearly 28 years and I've experienced the decline and the new regeneration of spirit and businesses. Individual shops offer individual specialities and each a small cohesive individuality and experience both for the public and the commitment to staff and their well-being.</p> <p>We have not only have a longstanding supermarket centrally (Scotmid), but a small Sainsbury, and another specialist food outlet Earthy.</p> <p>We do not need another supermarket to meet present or even future needs.</p> <p>It would be represent an undermining of the future prosperity and diversity for the high street and surrounding area - and a disincentive to small specialist businesses. A supermarket on this site would attract a stream of traffic and worsen existing significant congestion issues at various times of the day (unlike a residential district impact which would be more diffuse and limited) - and detract from the community.</p> <p>What was envisioned in the draft proposals some time ago, and would have merit now is MORE housing with a reasonable corner shop sort of facility to cater to the immediate needs of the newly created area whilst not jeopardising the current diverse range of shops and potential for more in the future.</p> <p>To grant this particular proposal as it stands would be disastrous for all the reasons above - and be inconsistent with the concerns, reservations, and outright objections to the nearby proposal for Lidl recently.</p>	
Strongly Support	<p>We have already an increase in housing at this end of Portobello, and housing is badly needed in Edinburgh. In order to support this increase in housing, we need a grocery store (Aldi is great) to encourage people to walk for their groceries rather than take a car. This will actually lessen the impact on Portobello streets.</p> <p>I know I will continue to use the shops on Portobello high street as I am committed to keeping our community strong. Please don't let the few protesters who have loud voices, keep this project from happening in our area. We are tired of those with self-interests not respecting the needs of the people</p>	A play area for the children, safe street crossing to the beach and car entrance off of Harry Lauder Road.
Support	<p>I have a studio at the Powerhouse (the site of Aldi) and am wondering where can I go locally to do my work. Initially we were told that the builders were going to supply us with purpose built studios. This is our livelihoods as artists and everywhere else e.g. Meadowbank, Wasps etc have lengthy waiting lists and are too expensive! I am a local artist and have no objection to changes for the future but I am going to be left without a studio to work in and will have to pay for storage to keep all my art work/materials in. Very stressful to say the least.</p>	Artists studios!!! Please !
Neutral	<p>I am concerned that the planning documents make no mention of the fact that this site is currently used by Out of the Blue artist studios and Verden Music studios, and therefore fulfils a very important function of supplying affordable work space for Portobello's creative community. I feel that Cruden and Aldi have rather dishonestly referred to the site as only brownfield and have made no mention of the many concerns from the local community at the Public consultation about the displacement of these spaces. Cruden made assurances at this meeting about their desire to help relocate the artists studios locally. They need to make good these promises.</p> <p>I am also concerned that the local primary school cannot cope with more families moving to the area, and it seems that much of this housing is targeted at young families. Whilst I understand that the developers will need to pay an educational supplement, Towerbank</p>	<p>This development would see the loss of local work and rehearsal space for many local artists, crafts people, musicians and small businesses as the site currently houses Out of the Blue artist studios and Verden Studios.</p> <p>Their loss would impoverish the creative community in Portobello, an asset that improves the lives of many in Portobello and also has had a hand in the continuing reinvigoration of the area. There is an opportunity for the developers to support the rehousing of the artist's community locally by supporting Out of the Blue, as they are interested in rehousing locally, and therefore continue community and improve community benefit.</p> <p>Out of the Blue has established a reputation as an independent, dynamic and innovative cultural social enterprise. Out of the Blue is one of Scotland's leading community, cultural and arts development organisations working in partnership</p>

	<p>has finite space for development of more classroom space without compromising playground space. It is already the biggest primary school in Edinburgh. Allowing this development to go ahead would compromise the education of all the children already in Portobello.</p> <p>I am concerned too that Portobello does not need another supermarket, it already has a local Sainsbury's and Coop as well as a flourishing high street and community market. There is also an Aldi, Lidl, Morrisons and Asda all close by. There is no need to build another supermarket here. The high street and market needs help to continue developing, not a cheap European competitor.</p> <p>I am also concerned that there is not enough affordable rentable social housing in these proposals. Portobello has a well balanced social mix that is threatened by the perceived desirability of the area. This development would do nothing to keep this balance. These plans are only promoting home ownership, which increasingly is not an option for many in our society. They therefore will perpetuate the split up of communities and people being priced out of the area they grew up in.</p> <p>The development will also encourage more traffic to an already congested junction and high street.</p>	<p>to provide economic, cultural, social and educational opportunities, to a significant number of people to make a real difference to their lives. It's recent redevelopment of Leith's Drill hall has shown their excellence in providing workspace for the creative industries with real community benefit. The developers need to make good their assurances that they would support rehusing the creative communities that this development will displace.</p>
Support	Nothing really other than happy to see something being done with the site and happy to have a bigger store within walking distance of my house.	Can't think of anything.
Strongly Support	<p>My only concern to housing is the schools are already fit to burst. 5 primary one intakes this year at Towerbank and tgats without these new houses and the ones on the prom !! Im thinking Portobello could do with a new primary school.</p> <p>At this rate the new Portobello High School which I STRONGLY agree with in a few years time will also be fit to burst.</p> <p>Portobello deparately NEEDS a reasonably priced supermarket. Scotmids prices are ridiculously high, which is the main reason I don't shop there.</p>	As above. Primary school.
Strongly Object	I think there are Far too many flats on the site and don't particular like the idea of 4 storey blocks, especially between the current properties on baileyfield road!	More green space.
Object	As a resident of Portobello for the last 4 years, my concerns for this new development include the fact that there is no scope to improve the already strained infrastructure needed to support it. Traffic on the High Street is already very dense at peak times, and this would add to it. The Portobello Doctor's is full; I am still not able to get my family registered. How will the residents of 220 new homes be cared for? Towerbank Primary school has already needed to be expanded and as far as I am aware is at capacity - where will the children of these new proposed homes go?	Plans need to include elements which will improve and add to the already strained local infrastructure, if that is at all possible. If not, I do not think this proposal can be supported and sustained.
Object	<p>My concerns about this development are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Lack of community amenities such as play space, community centre, artists studios.</li> <li>2. Lack of green space and play and leisure areas.</li> </ol>	Community centre, small theatre/ cinema, artists studios, play areas, community education centre

	<p>3. Lack of potential commercial spaces/ property for any future development of small businesses</p> <p>4. Development offers little to the rest of the Portobello community</p> <p>5. Increased traffic congestion</p> <p>6. No account taken of how an increased population might impact on local schools and other infrastructure.</p> <p>7. Dull and uninteresting design.</p>	
Support	<p>I am pleased that the highest residential buildings are 4 storeys and not any higher. I would object to any proposals above this height. I think that more houses are needed including affordable housing. Retirement housing is probably also needed in the area. I would have preferred to have seen the site for the supermarket building and the retirement housing exchanged which would move the retirement housing closer to the hub of Portobello and also move more of it away from the busy high street.</p> <p>I would object to a large supermarket in this area but a smaller Aldi would add a different mix to that available and would also serve the considerable number of new houses/flats so I am happy with this.</p> <p>The traffic around the Kings Road traffic lights is already very busy so a lot of new traffic might be a problem.</p>	
Strongly Support	<p>Would love an aldi!!!! Best shop ever and I always have to travel this would be sooooo good!</p>	
Strongly Support	<p>Overall I support this application as it develops a brown site to the improvement of the area</p>	<p>A new primary school at tower bank to support the increase in pupil numbers</p>
Strongly Support	<p>Portobello is in need of more family based hoses with garden space for kids play out in the street not more flats and which require more parking spaces.</p>	<p>2-3 bedroom houses with garden space.</p>
Strongly Object	<p>We need a primary school and nursery way before we need more housing , especially family orientated housing! We definatley don't need an aldi! There is a lidl in mussleburgh ! Please , no!!</p>	<p>Primary school and nursery please .</p>
Object	<p>Aldi's car park on the high street is the last thing we need, this is generic rubbish design. If they were to move Aldi round so it's parallel to the high street with parking behind this might be more acceptable. However I object to a drive to supermarket here in principle, we need sustainable future design not a dying typology and one that would have a negative impact on the existing high street and cause significant extra congestion to the already busy street.</p>	<p>I think in principle housing is a good thing and would support the high street and other community facilities. However, it needs to be a mix of types (1, 2 &amp; 3 bedrooms with gardens) and better designed than this with significant new green space not just designed around the cars. We've seen exactly how not to do housing design in the site opposite - please can we have some civic and civil design! Planners please apply the Scottish Governments "Designing Streets" principles to this!</p> <p>There will also have to be consideration on impact to the local schools which is potentially significant.</p>
Strongly Support	<p>My daughter currently attends Towerbank Primary school and I know that it is already running at capacity. Perhaps an additional primary school would be beneficial in the area if more housing is to be provided.</p> <p>We have been looking to move back into Portobello for some time but have struggled to find quality affordable housing.</p>	<p>The old Range Rover Garage space could also be utilised to provide either a bowling alley, or small community centre to be used.</p>

Support	I would welcome Aldi to Portobello because I don't think it have an adverse effect on the local shops with the exception of scotmid.	
Support	Edinburgh already must have an extremely high ratio of supermarket to people quota?	As part of the development investment in providing a better childrens playpark.
Support	The main problem is traffic. The traffic already stacks up along that area and if a store is there entering from the High Street will cause problems I feel. I also feel it might be a good thing having competition for Sainsbury's whose store is mainly inaccessible to people in wheelchairs & scooters, and whose prices are unrealistic not to mention lack of choice of products.I feel equally the Scotmid is not far behind Sainsbury's.	
Support	Overall there seems to have been consideration given to sustainability, playground space and affordable housing. No doubt there are ways in which all of those aspects could be improved however it would be good to see the space put to some good use at last. I look forward to seeing the design.	Consideration will need to be given to catchment review in view of the likely increased pressure on the Towerbank school roll.
Strongly Object	1) We have more than enough food retail outlets in the near vicinity. 2) No details or time lines on the phasing makes one believe that the store will be built and the housing, particularly the retirement housing, will never be built. 3) This smacks of a creeping retail development with no consideration for the local community. 4) I believe this is purely a commercial enterprise which which will be detrimental to the community and is not sustainable in the long term.	No
Support	People living here = more people living in our community, which equals more potential customers for our High St. The Aldi isn't going to be the death of the High St, in fact it could well lead to more people shopping locally, instead of at the big supermarkets. And that probably leads to link shopping. The site has been derelict for far too long. It is an ideal location, with great public transport links.	Would be nice to see workshops & artist facilities incorporated into the design somehow.
Support	Whilst I agree that housing is needed I think it is to compacted and would like to see more space between blocks of flats. This will of course mean that there will be fewer houses but that is better than being too cramped.	A small playpark for children.
Support		Maybe a community centre which would benefit both old and young from this new housing estate and the rest of Portobello
Strongly Support	I believe having an Aldi would be great for this end of Portobello ie Portobello Road and Craigentenny, as our nearest supermarket is Morrisons and it's not really within walking distance. I was for the proposal of the Lidl store in the Old Land Rover Garage and believe it didn't go ahead due to traffic issues. (Although I thought they could still have designed a metro, walk- in style of super market there, one that required no parking.) I feel this would not be of issue for the new Aldi site. I don't think it would impact on Portobello shops as I feel it's far enough away from these shops and I know myself and my neighbours never go right into Portobello to do our main shop. I also believe the value and quality of the produce the shops sells is another reason for the benefit of the area - I am prepared to go to Musselburgh just to shop there so one on my doorstep would be perfect for me and my family. The job opportunities must be something else to benefit the community along with the influx of new residents and attracting new shoppers from other areas of the town who will go further into Portobello and the beach.	AS long as the parking and entrance into the area are thoroughly researched and the impact on the Harry Lauder Road will be minimal, I think this will benefit the wider community.
Support	My main concern with the development is the potential lengthy impact it will have to daily commuters. I currently drive along Seafield everyday and would hope that any building	On the same topic I believe the Portobello Road end of the junction could be improved upon as it is a common place for tailbacks due to the pavement jutting

	<p>on this site would not have an impact on an already congested route.</p> <p>Another concern is that this building will be going on at the same time as the new high school and could potentially have temporary traffic lights in several areas of my commuting route.</p>	<p>out and preventing people from accessing the lane to go directly to Portobello. The lanes of this junction could be improved upon so that there are two full length lanes - one for Portobello and the other for Sir Harry Lauder Road.</p> <p>The local doctors surgery (Barons Court) is already busy enough that I have seen myself wait two weeks for an appointment - with the added housing this could add additional strain to an already busy practice.</p>
Neutral		<p>I would like to see some community space in the expectation of loss of church halls. I also object to their being no inclusion of the Out of the Blue current space so would like some studio spaces to be available. I support the need for housing but there must be places for the residents to go for community, creative and learning opportunities.</p>
Support	<p>A development will have to happen here sometime. I think this may be a reasonable compromise which might rejuvenate that end of the High Street. Must however watch the detailed design and materials to ensure quality.</p>	<p>Definitely include homes for the elderly</p>
Strongly Object	<p>I don't agree with turning the space suggested that is currently used by Verden Studios and Out of the Blue into another super market and housing. Instead why not nurture the area more and enhance the creative space that is already in existence to it's full potential. Portobello has a hub of wonderful artists, musicians, writers and poets and Verden and Out of the Blue both are a wonderful asset to Portobello.</p>	<p>Make it more of a green space but keep Verden and Out of the Blue.</p>
Support	<p>This looks like a good mixed use of the site in terms of varied types of housing. It is also important to provide some kind of retail amenities to support the new housing, and Aldi will hopefully fit into the existing offer on the High Street rather than compete with the independent shops that rightly enjoy strong local support.</p>	
Strongly Support	<p>I think this development will benefit Portobello. More housing means more people living in the area which will lead to increased trade in Portobello therefore benefitting the High Street and all the businesses therein.</p> <p>Aldi will attract people from outside the Portobello area many of whom may venture further into the High Street and use the local businesses when they otherwise may not have come to Portobello at all.</p> <p>Many people will still use the local shops as well as Aldi, there is room for Aldi alongside local business.</p> <p>In conclusion I completely support this development. It can only be a benefit to the community - developing an unused site and increasing the number of residents therefore benefitting the local businesses.</p>	
Object	<p>As a new business owner and resident on Portobello High Street I have many concern for the independent shopkeepers ie Fishmonger, butcher, wine merchant and also my own business which is a deli selling cheese, bread and cooked meat which I believe the Aldi store would also sell. I know for a fact my own business would not survive as I can not compete with them! My other concerns are the already overcrowded primary school , doctors and dental surgeries, not to mention the extra volume of traffic/fumes on the High Street where I live. The High street is just start to thrive again with various independent</p>	

	shop and I see no need for a supermarket as we have many in the surrounding areas with buses that go from door to door (Aldi Musselburgh is less than 10 mins on the bus!)	
Strongly Support	This waste site is crying out for rejuvenation so I would be happy to see this happen. Also, Aldi (i.e. a budget chain) would be the preferred supermarket as the others in Portobello (Sainsbury's/Scotmid) can be overpriced.	Cafe/park - a meeting space for families
	Towerbank PS has just had a recent extension, to alleviate the problems of a school full to capacity. As far as I am aware, the school is still brimming to capacity after having had the extension done. With the addition of extra houses to the area this will mean that the school will continue to be over populated and the education of the pupils will suffer yet again. With the addition of Aldi, this will take away business from the local smaller businesses which could lead to close of business, we really don't need yet another charity shop on the high street.	Perhaps something for the older children, a youth club or skate/scooter park.
Object	I have significant concerns about the amount of traffic this will generate. The seafield road/ portobello road/ baileyfield road junction is already overloaded, particularly at school the start and end of the school day and in work rush hours. The knock on effect of a supermarket (95 parking spaces) and additional housing (160 spaces, although potential that car ownership in a 200+ dwelling development will surpass this figure) is surely likely to be significant. A previous supermarket application was rejected on traffic concerns. I am unclear how this application has addressed the traffic concerns raised at that time, and rather it seems that there is even greater potential for increased traffic impact given the additional housing.	
Strongly Support	Overall, the development of this site would make Portobello more attractive. The Aldi store would bring customers from further afield to the area and generate more business for other shops, cafes etc. As to housing I would hope this would include affordable flats/houses	
Support	Portobello may already have a Scotmid, Sainsbury's and Costcutter but the first two are expensive 'express' shops (Scotmid in particular is very expensive because it has the monopoly on being well positioned and convenient). I think an Aldi would be welcomed, particularly by the working class community and lower income families in Portobello - a significant amount of people. I also think it could help create disposable income to enable people to support/shop more in the smaller high street businesses. Aldi is value for money - the others are not (e.g you can get three times the amount of shopping in Aldi as you would in the Porty Scotmid, for the same money). A good value supermarket in walking distance (we don't all have cars) would be an asset to Portobello, in my opinion.	Ensuring there is indeed the 'mix' of housing the plan seems to promise. Some social housing for lower income families and individuals to rent would be good or, at the very least, some 'affordable' housing.  Making sure there are appropriate road safety and/or traffic calming measures to ensure pedestrians aren't penalised and can get to/from the shop with relative ease. If the traffic jams coming in to Porty are likely to get even worse, it would make me think twice about the development of this area.
Object	School, no - Housing that is shit, yes – what a bunch of fannies	Keep the art space and more imaginative housing solutions.
Strongly Object	The traffic proposals are nonsensical and will add to the massive existing congestion. The Aldi store is ugly beyond description and will have a massively detrimental impact upon an already weakened high street. The site is too densely packed with housing and Willard nothing of any character or visual interest to Portobello.  All told this is a terrible plan and design that adds traffic, potentially kills our high street and adds nothing at all in return.	No supermarket. We need housing of good quality, not a (truly ugly) retail barn
Strongly Object	I strongly object to the proposal because I am a local artist who works from Verden Studios on the site. Verden Studios have been told that there will be no space for them on the new site plan despite community uses and artists' studios being included in the North West Portobello Development Brief.	Keep all of the Out of the Blue / Verden Studios sites available for artists. There is a huge and diverse group of artists producing great art/music/sculpture and devising community projects on this site - to remove this vital resource from the community would be incredibly shortsighted and detrimental to the local area.



	I appreciate that housing is needed, but a supermarket isn't. I think that the site should be developed for a certain amount of housing whilst keeping the artists in residence or developing the artists studios and inviting us back.	
Neutral	Residential height concerning, does not seem to add character or sense of uplift to the surrounding area. Looking at flats around Portobello high street west to east end, detracts rather than adds to the proposition. A more mixed , varied selection of builds would be preferable. Right location but needs variety.	
Support	If the position of the Aldi store and the carp park were reversed, and the entrance was from Fishwives Causway, it might help traffic flow.	
Neutral	Better than previous proposals but still impacts on traffic at busy part of Portobello . Mix of housing is welcome and 'colonies' style and retirement flats are good features. However, the overall appearance of both residential and retail units is uninspiring, dull and potentially makes the entrance to Portobello look like the way into a cross between a prison and low budget student accommodation.	
Strongly Support	Good to have good supermarket within walking distance for older people and young Mums. More housing a benefit to young families	Perhaps a cafe where one could relax it would be a meeting point
Support	I would be glad of an Aldi store situated in Portobello as long as it has same low prices as it's other stores. Small local supermarket makes it very expensive for food shopping especially since I have no car to go further a field.	don't know
Object	Aldi would destroy the High Street. they say that they would provide employment but what about all the people who would loose their jobs on the High Street. Why not build more houses where Aldi would go. we already have a Scotmid and a Sainsbury.	
Strongly Support	As this is the main entrance to the town. I feel more planting landscaping is needed to soften the development and actually enhance the entrance to the town. This could look really nice if planted / landscaped properly.	Again more trees plants which would make it more wildlife friendly and far more appealing to visitors commuters etc who will pass this daily.  Please think about first impressions on entering the town. Make it greener more environmentally friendly and visually appealing. Thousands of visitors to the beach etc would benefit from this. It is a one off opportunity that should not be missed.
Object	I have a worry that local businesses would suffer as the consequence of the provision of another supermarket. The location is poor traffic-wise (and was argued to be such when a school development on the site was briefly mooted); Aldi note in their application that the government is not "anti-car" but strong discouragement to use cars would be a good thing (and if 60-odd hourly visits are anticipated at peak times, why are nearly 100 parking spaces needed?).  It's good to see affordable housing but the plans look dense to me -- where would one put a childrens' playground, for example?	Almost any community facility (cinema, community centre, premises for small businesses etc.) would be preferable to a supermarket at this location. In particular the older people in the area have lost two covered centres for bowling (in what is now Tumbles and on Milton Road) and such a facility would doubtless be very welcome (I'm not that old, and I don't play bowls, but I'm aware that the former facilities are sorely missed).
Neutral	I am concerned by the likely impact on local amenities, particularly primary schools, caused by the building of 220 new homes.	
Object	Although this proposal would supply more housing, my concern is that this would be unaffordable. I also worry about the well-being of small business owners on Portobello High Street. I fear Aldi's purpose is to monopolise various business markets throughout East Lothian.	Perhaps spare a thought for the elderly when planning housing and also ensure there's houses are affordable by those in the local community who need them.
Support	Site has been a mess for a long time, development is welcome.	
Support	Not sure about 4 stories, 3 would be a better maximum for residential buildings.	Will there be a playground in the public park? Would be a nice addition.

Object	Our main objection is the increase in traffic in already crowded road junctions. There would be added pressure on schools, surgeries etc	
Object	There is little of planning upside for the community as a whole in terms of additional resources. The scale of the project is acceptable to me.	I would like to see something like the embracing of an arts based project in the plans such as Out of the Blue or such similar organisation. It will impact/stretch existing resources without bringing any great benefit to the local community.
Strongly Object	I strongly disagree with the amount of houses being built as it would seriously impact on an already very highly populated primary school, high school and doctors surgery. It would also impact on an already busy traffic flow.	
Support	I am happy to see the sight developed. It is not a "Welcome" sign to a lovely area. People desire to live here and more shops would be needed but thought would be needed to schools and Doctor's surgeries. Do we have enough does the School operate at full capacity?	Some leisure activity such as indoor bowls or similar.
Object	Portobello has no need for another supermarket, it would cause huge amount of extra traffic at what is already a very busy corner.	
Support	I am happy to see more housing but hope its a mix of private and rented affordable housing. I like the idea of Aldi. I know several old people who like to shop there as it is good value. I also feel it would lengthen the high st to have an Aldi at this end.. I think it might bring people in to Porty who might decide to take a wander along ths high st and use the small shops. Worry about traffic congestion though...I live at bottom of Westbank St so I am concerned how this will affect me.	I think Portobello could do with a decent car park. I hope the new houses and Aldi will have adequate parking but i also think we should have some additional parking to alleviate parking in High St. Would also hope some green area and seats and some foliage to soften the edges. I understand perhaps I ask too much but you did ask.
Support	Serious concerns regarding potential shortage of parking per household and knock-on effect on surrounding area, with already tight on-street parking in locality.  Concerns regarding impact on local Primary School.	Reassurances that, with the growth in numbers, the local police station will be kept open.
Object	the local shops would suffer with a new aldi was built	
Object		Space for artists and musicians.
Strongly Support	Both amenities would be welcome but more so for housing	A better entry/exit than the one previously used by the Land Rover garage as it was a nightmare to use
Object	Portobello High Street is special in that it has managed to survive where many other High Streets have all but disappeared and so is something that should be valued and preserved.  There are plenty of other supermarkets within easy reach of Portobello. Aldi is just the flavour of the month at the moment and so I very much hope that all the media hype that there has been will not influence the final decision.	
Object	We don't need more traffic contributing to the congestion at the roundabout and in the High Street. It is already bad enough. The density of the housing proposed is far too high. At least one of the doctors' surgeries in Portobello already has a full list.	
Strongly Object	I would like to know where the pedestrian access is going to be to the supermarket. We don't all have cars.	
Strongly Object	The new Portobello High School should be built on this site. This is by far a much better option than the site presently being pursued by the City of Edinburgh City Council.  The Baileyfield site offers a great position for the school with easy access for the	New Portobello High School

	students. Depending on its size there may be room for a few sheltered houses (much needed in Portobello ).	
Support	Good idea to put this land to use	
Neutral	I would be concerned about the effects of additional residents on St Johns and Towerbank/Duddingston primary.	I think Aldi would be a great asset. Portobello is screaming out for local, affordable shopping.
Support	Local primary schools are at or near full capacity. An increase in local housing will require some investment in school capacity	
Strongly Object	<p>Traffic at peak times in this area is already very high and this proposal would cause even more congestion - especially as this proposal has NOT made proper provision for deliveries and ALDI/residential traffic.</p> <p>The baileyfield crescent/harry lauder road junction should have been redeveloped as a requirement for this project to go ahead, both to create provision for the additional traffic load created by this project and as a benefit for the residents of Portobello, many of who will be adversely affected in congestion terms.</p> <p>The affordable housing provision in this proposal is also wholly inadequate.</p>	The baileyfield crescent/harry lauder road junction should have been redeveloped as a requirement for this project to go ahead, both to create provision for the additional traffic load created by this project and as a benefit for the residents of Portobello, many of who will be adversely affected in congestion terms.
Strongly Object	Don't need another supermarket! High street is just starting to pick itself back up.	
Neutral		get as much out of them in terms of planning gain as possible
Object	Housing density within the Edinburgh city boundary needs to increase significantly to prevent the sprawl into the green belt. There is nothing wrong with having higher-rise buildings which obscure particular views of Arthur's Seat if they are pleasant to look at and to live in, if that reduces the demand for 'greenfield' land. The City Council should be applying *intense* pressure to reduce the use of cars and increase the use of public transport. No land surface should be used for car-parking; these destructive machines should be buried in underground car parks, with perhaps a couple of City Car Club spaces provided in an accessible place.	Tram stops!
Strongly Object	Portobello is already extremely congested with traffic. Many new apartments have already been built at Baileyfield (retirement) and at the Kilns on the promenade, which will give serious traffic problems, so to add a further development and a supermarket will bring absolute chaos, This proposed development will also increase the local residential population, increasing the pressure on already busy local and community services. It will completely destroy the Portobello community. In terms of a supermarket, Portobello already has a Co-op and a small Sainsbury with an ASDA, Morrisons, Tesco and Lidl all relatively near. An additional supermarket will only adversely affect those small businesses that remain.	
Strongly Object	Pressure on local services such on the primary and secondary schools, GP surgeries and traffic will be detrimental and impact on the quality of life of the community. Sustainability and support to increase services in line with the increase of people moving into the complex is paramount.	NO i am against the development.
Strongly Support	Most people in Portobello get the 26 (or their car) to Musselburgh and go to Aldi and Lidl. Just because there is an Aldi people won't forgo shopping in Earthy or Findlays or Williamsons. The end of the High Street is drab and is not a good example of a gateway to a community like Portobello. People forget that there were tenements (high density housing) at that end of Portobello at one time.	How about the skatepark we were always promised when the pool was knocked down? The community resource that is there should be preserved.

Support	better park space is needed. also I will be sorry to see the workshops and creative spaces lost (such as Verdun) as these are important for the community.	creative workshops, studios, small offices spaces where self employed people can rent desks; more Greenspace for community garden. make sure any lettering on signs on the supermarket are not huge
Strongly Object	I welcome development of this site but find it very bland and boring for such an important site and am extremely disappointed to see a supermarket proposal when we were promised that no supermarket proposal could go here after our last 'battle' against supermarkets. I think it will be extremely damaging to the high street shops. Also the traffic implications are important as the number of cars as a result fo a supermarket here will be very big on an already gridlocked part of the road. Will create a really boring and unimaginative entrance to portobello.	I think the housing is very important and I agree that it needs to be a dense site otherwise there is no sense of community, but I think it could be more mixed, with some lower rise housing. Would be great to see more community aspects- so some of the green space being for recreations/sports, and a mix of lower rise (possibly residential housing for older people) as well as higher rise housing. A co-housing proposal would be my preferred option with some green aspects- i.e. sustainable transport, encouraging some bike routes to encourage cycling etc, mixed in with workshops (so some of the current artistic community from out of the bue could carry on) and some small shop units.
Neutral	Aldi good, M&S good - assuming they don't destroy local shops. We could use a cobblers, a selection of grocers, perhaps another butchers. I was originally against supermarkets for the potential threat to local businesses. Realising supermarkets may not be that great is ongoing and a long-game but short-term it might sell Portobello as a viable shopping centre and boost the area. Aldi have some good stuff!	A more creative/educational use of the site would be wonderful - but perhaps not realistic.
Strongly Support	The traffic issue will need careful consideration as it is already a busy junction. Overall I strongly support this application. It has been an empty site for years but has the potential to enhance Portobello and Craigentenny.	
Strongly Object	No need of yet another supermarket- School already oversubscribed- no more building in playgrounds please.  traffic is already dreadful at rush hours	good quality housing- no dump dark little apartments that would look derelict in ten years time. This is a city struggling with natural light during winter. Tall buildings will only block the few hours of sunlight we get . Look at Seafield development in Leith - Soon will be a dark Maize with no green in the near surroundings.
Strongly Support	I think this development can only enhance portobello	Portobello high street is extremely busy especially at peak times. I would like more car parking and onstreet parking abolished to enable freer traffic flow
Neutral		Community boilers/water heating, solar panels. More sustainable energy sources. I'm not sure about the impact on the High Street in terms of traffic. It's already quite bad at peak times.
Strongly Object	As a local resident I have to say that the traffic backs up from the high street we'll into seafield and London road at busy times already.having a supermarket will only exacerbate this.	
Strongly Support	Any development of this brown field site would be good for the community.	
Support	I am a bit concerned about the traffic impact on my own address - I was in a serious accident from someone's dangerous driving on Baileyfield Road, and have had several near misses using the crossing at Fishwives' Causeway, so the increase in traffic along here does concern me, but otherwise I fully support the development.	Space for the artistic community already using the site should be protected.
Neutral	I am happy to see a small housing development on this site but I am concerned about traffic in and out of the estate and more traffic on Portobello High Street. Also, can local schools cope with more pupils generated from this new build? This is why I put neutral for the housing.	4 or 5 smaller shop units would be better than a supermarket. Could also include a café and a small metro style food shop
Strongly Object	To much traffic to the area it is bad. Enough at peak times	

Strongly Object	PORTOBELLO HIGH STREET AND SIR HARRY LAUDER ROAD ARE ALREADY SUBJECT TO EVER GROWING CONGESTION, THIS DEVELOPMENT WILL ONLY ADD TO THE PROBLEM.	WHY NOT BUILD AN AIPORT ON THE SITE AND GRIDLOCK PORTOBELLO COMPLETELY !!!!!!!
Object	I like the mix of housing as there is a real shortage of affordable housing in the area. I do not see the need for another supermarket as the area is already well represented and another supermarket would benefit solely the business concerned and not the local residents.	Instead of a supermarket of this size I would like to see mixed units for smaller retail or business use.
Strongly Object	Very congested road as is, particularly at rush hour. Perhaps the present use is most suitable, ie light industry which also provides jobs for locals. Always been a work place not housing development. Plenty of retail in locality,	A park
Strongly Object		Indoor bowling and other recreational facilities
Strongly Support	I feel that this is a much needed development which will be of much benefit to Portobello. It will increase employment as well as providing much needed homes to the area. I strongly support these plans.	
Strongly Support	Major concern is the number of children this adds to the catchment area for Towerbank primarily, as well as St John's & the High School. As Towerbank is already oversubscribed, and Portobello in particular is attractive to young families, I do not believe that standard customer profiling for children numbers in new builds is relevant here, especially as any future re-drawing of catchment areas will almost certainly not remove this comparatively high density development. In addition this adds considerable numbers to local health & social services.	A doctor's surgery or additional health care provision centre, extending the services offered here already. Could be a specialist gerontology, maternity, physiotherapy or paediatric service.
Strongly Support	I strongly support this application. The scale and proposed uses are entirely appropriate. The retention of the cottages in Baileyfield Road is a positive. This location has been identified as the correct one for a foodstore, other local applications having been rejected for that reason. The application should therefore be granted.	More housing. The density could and should be higher on this brownfield site.
Support	I strongly support the proposal for an aldi on this site! It would allow me to do my shopping closer to home, save money and have more to spend in the more expensive shops on the high street.	I think there needs to be allocated spaces for the artists who will be losing their studios. Portobello is a very creative community and attracts positive influence from other parts of the city by inviting artists in to use these types of places. It's something that the developers should morally include in their plans.
Object	There are artists' studios there, it would be great if they could stay. Portobello has a high street with shops on it, be a real shame to see that go they way of so many streets in small towns. Aldi will want the shop, not the housing - their priority will be to get footfall for their business - the housing is just so the development comes under different regulations, surely? We have a big Aldi and Lidl in Musselburgh, and another Lidl in Leith. Another Aldi (or any supermarket) isn't a plus for Portobello. I would support affordable housing being built, but in a smaller development.	
Object	While there is a continuing need for housing I think the selection of this site is shortsighted as it is locked between busy roads which are already completely congested at certain points in the day with potential high levels of pollution for the residents. Further development of this site would increase the already unacceptable traffic pressure on these roads.  We do not need another supermarket - there are 8 within a mile of the site! Portobello High Street is already dominated by charity shops and cashbrokers and another supermarket would adversely affect already struggling local businesses.	

Strongly Support	Glad to see the site being put to use at last. Should have been a supermarket on this site years ago. It would complement the proposed supermarket on the old garage site opposite the Ramsay Tec.	
Strongly Support	this plan should go ahead	
Object	I think local facilities are already overstretched eg doctors surgery.  More green space is needed in the development  Portobello high street is already very contested at peak times	Investment in new playpark Investment in the library eg refurbished toilets The Portobello public toilets are in need of replacement/ refurbishment
Object	Portobello high street, and thus the community of Portobello, would be significantly adversely affected by the opening of an additional supermarket, both in terms of the negative impact on local independent retailers and their financial sustainability, and the negative impact on Portobello as a distinct community in the loss of those retailers as their reduced turnover forces them to close. In addition, the increase in vehicular traffic the supermarket would bring would have a significant negative effect on traffic flow in the area.	Green space and improved landscaping.
Neutral	I do not feel strongly, other than the need for more detached or semi detached houses, higher up the cost ladder, rather than just "affordable housing". We need bigger house for families to move up to, to free up the smaller houses. A combination of flats and bigger houses would be better.	A mixture of housing would enable families to put down roots and become part of the community. Flats and affordable housing often end up being let out short term with the tenants having little sense of "belonging". We need more larger family homes so that families stay attend school, work locally, contribute to, and gain from, the community
Object	I understand that to make a development viable to the developers, a mix of housing and commercial use is sensible, but I don't see any great benefit to the local community other than having a needed local supermarket. I would like to see something included in the plan that benefits the community. The park is very small and lacks imagination. I personally feel that the responsibility is on the developer to produce something imaginative that benefits the community rather than cramming as many houses and a supermarket onto the site. Otherwise, there is little reason for the local community to welcome the development.	The small park presumably ticks a box but offers very little other than some grass, shrubs and a few trees. The community already has a number of parks. How about something that young people can use? A skatepark, an indoor skatepark, a climbing wall, a bmx track, cycling track, a youth club... There are endless things that would benefit Portobello, but instead we're being offered a small unimaginative triangle of grass. Surely the developers can be expected to come up with something a little better to help get the community supporting the development?
Strongly Support	This end of Portobello has no supermarkets but the Eastern end has 2. I would really appreciate a supermarket at this end of Portobello.	Green space and a children's park.
Support	As someone who lives at the bottom of Kings Road, this area would benefit from a good sized supermarket that is accessible on foot, without the need to get in the car.  I see no mention here of what will happen to the artist studios currently housed, so I am a little concerned that space for that also needs to be accommodated, elsewhere if not as this site.	Community gardens, the ability for local residents to be involved/encouraged in the growing of their own vegetables within a community environment. A small area of raised beds with this in mind would be good.
Strongly Object	I have grave concerns about the addition of another Supermarket. We already have a number of large supermarkets close by. Portobello's High Street is an essential part of the community and I feel integral to the recent regeneration of the area. I am concerned that the High Street would be under threat from the presence of another Supermarket. I feel that the figure of 25% for social housing is too low. Portobello needs much more affordable and rentable housing to avoid families being priced out of the area. I am also unhappy that the housing is targeted at families and would bring a sudden influx into the area. The local school Towerbank Primary is already the biggest primary school in Edinburgh and has just recently completed an extension to cope with high numbers of	I notice the plans do not make mention of the fact that the development would displace the Out of the Blue artist studios and Verden Studios and mean the loss of work and rehearsal space for many local small businesses  In my three years here, I have observed that Portobello has a strong creative community who are very active in the area, I believe they are an asset that has played a strong part in the regeneration of the area and also contribute greatly to it's reputation as a desirable area.

	pupils. Even though I understand there would be a subsidy paid to the school there isn't physical space to extend more without losing more of what is really quite a small playground. I also recently found I was unable to register at the local doctor surgery as it was full, so feel an influx of new families would also place strain on health services. Also I would be concerned about more traffic and congestion in the area - The High Street is already very congested at peak times of travel and I would also worry about increasing levels of air pollution	If the developers are to be granted the right carry out their plans I think it's important that they take up the opportunity to support the rehousing of the artist's community locally by supporting Out of the Blue, as they are interested in rehousing locally, and therefore continue community and improve community benefit.  Out of the Blue has established a reputation as an independent, dynamic and innovative cultural social enterprise. Out of the Blue is one of Scotland's leading community, cultural and arts development organisations working in partnership to provide economic, cultural, social and educational opportunities, to a significant number of people to make a real difference to their lives. It's recent redevelopment of Leith's Drill hall has shown their excellence in providing workspace for the creative industries with real community benefit. I believe their continued presence in the area is incredibly important to preserving Portobello as a very beautiful, friendly and creative cultural hub on the outskirts of Edinburgh.
Strongly Support	would like to see what type and size the houses or flats would be and how high , also I thought there was a Lidle going into the old Range Rover Garage . The traffic along the High Street is very congested at times at the moment , this would be my worry that it will get a lot worse . , will any social housing be included . And will there be room in the schools .	The prom needs re vamped , it would be nice if this company could assist and encourage perhaps a new pier
Neutral	Displaced OOTB studios, Verden, Tuff and Car sales- where are these to be accommodated in the community? These are all employers who will be losing out significantly in the development of the site.	as above - particularly the OOTB studios and Verden. Some provision for these would be sensible - even off site in an empty local building - planning gain.
Strongly Object	Some of the above points are irrelevant or duplicated.	Artist workshops, live/work units as in NWP Development Brief
Strongly Support	Portobello needs more affordable housing and the addition of an Aldi would bring more employment opportunities to the area.	Social housing would be a good addition and beneficial to the community.
Neutral	It is already difficult to get in and out of portobello during peak periods (and quite often outside peak periods too). Although a housing development would worsen this congestion at the west end of portobello affordable housing is desperately needed in the area and this would be an ideal location. However, another supermarket on the high street would add unacceptable levels of traffic exactly at a bad pinch point for traffic in the area. I speak as a regular bus traveller who already finds that bus travel times to the city centre are totally unacceptable and unworkable for commuters (unless you leave 45 minutes earlier or have an understanding boss). Couple this with proposals to bring down speed limits and, in my opinion, it would be quicker to walk into town. Edinburgh council surely have a duty to make sure these proposals do not adversely affect current residents.	Small business units with reasonable rent/rates that would NOT be allowed for charity shop purposes. The area needs more small employers and opportunities to help it thrive. A superstore would be counter-productive, short sighted and is totally unnecessary as there are already several in the vicinity. A proper "entrance" to portobello would greatly benefit the community. I often meet tourists trying to visit the area and have no idea they have already arrived there. Build up tourism, promote small local businesses and watch porty thrive...
Strongly Support	Schools and doctors surgeries have to be an issue. Although I have no objection to the proposal I do think that the builders should be made to make some sort of provision for surgeries or schools.	
Support		A part for car parking so people can also shop in porobello and would limit the effect on the high street
Support	It would be good to see something on this site which has lain empty for a long time. Not sure more houses are the answer. Would love to see a Pret sandwich shop and mini waitrose on the site rather than another Aldi as there is one five minutes away in Musselburgh. M&S, Pret or a mini Waitrose would give local people some more nice	

	choices without detracting from what is currently available. Also an art gallery space/space for local artist to rent would be a good and viable option.	
Strongly Support		Would like to see nice trees and flower beds as part of the landscaping.
Object	<p>My immediate concern is for the traffic impact to an already very busy Portobello High Street. It is not just cars coming from the residential areas but also cars going out the proposed Aldi store. I would like the traffic in Portobello High Street being alleviated before more housing is built.</p> <p>I also have very serious concerns for the local shops if an aldi store is opened so close to the centre of the community. These local shops are an essential part of the community.</p> <p>lastly, whilst I like the sustainability aspect of the construction materials and maintenance of the buildings I don't like the proposed building 5 storey high i think they are too high for a narrow street. Also I would have expected the design of the buildings to be more in line with the buildings in the area.</p>	
Strongly Support	<p>This area in portobello has been in decline for years. With the new flats being built at the beach, this development will regenerate the area and bring a sense of pride back. An Aldi is a sensible alternative to yet another Tesco and, with 20% of our country living in poverty, it's reassuring to know that local residents will be served by a lower price alternative.</p>	A new, better, community centre would be useful.
Neutral	<p>The houses to the south of the site are too closely spaced, in contravention of the Edinburgh Design Guidance.</p> <p>The site gives an opportunity to hide the parking behind the Aldi store, rather than presenting a fragmented edge to the street. Reorientation would solve this.</p> <p>Garden ground to many of the houses is absolutely minimal.</p> <p>The homes along the west edge to not line through with the existing tenements.</p>	
Object		Yes I am a local artist and am concerned at the proposal of the demolition to the Out of The Blue Studios and Verdun Studios which provide an important space for the local artistic community in Portobello. These spaces are what makes Portobello a unique and exciting place to live. Are there going to be any provisions made to replace these hubs of creativity in the plans to redevelop this area? This could be a unique opportunity to build an exciting new art complex for the local community and Edinburgh as a whole.
Support	Portobello high street GP is already full and Towerbank Primary has 5 P1 classes this year. Can we really cope with lots of new families in Portobello? If so, then yes I support this development.	
Strongly Object	More housing is needed please because I believe it is more important.	The area has been empty for a long time. I think housing will be a benefit for the high street and for the long term.
Strongly Support	<p>This site should incorporate a PROPER dedicated and integrated cycling link between the prom and the fishwives causeway</p> <p>The site should perhaps include a "premier inn" style hotel. The corner of SHLR and PHS would be best</p>	
Strongly Support	Portobello definately doesn't need another supermarket. Housing there is acceptable, perhaps with more green space though.	



Object	High Road traffic is severe and congested at most times of day. Therefore all vehicular access should be from the Harry Lauder Road and access to the High Road should be pedestrian and cycle path only. Portobello High Street is one of the last remaining High Street areas with local food shops i.e. butchers, fishmongers, greengrocers, bakers etc all of which would be affected adversely by the supermarket so the eastern end of the High Road would become derelict.	More green open space. A community facility provision i.e. a "community " hall within the development for a toddlers' group, elderly group meeting use etc. This might also be used as an 'outreach' medical or advice facility.
Strongly Object	Aldi is a very low quality supermarket and brings no additional benefit to Portobello. We really need a proper supermarket, such as a Waitrose.  Aldi are foreign-owned. They source a significant amount of their products from overseas and not from Scotland or the rest of the UK. They are also "shy" about saying whether they pay fair UK taxes.	A better, UK-owned supermarket. Waitrose would be wonderful!
Strongly Object		Green spaces and a park, walking track
Strongly Object	There is no requirement in the local area for another supermarket. It will not bring more money to the local area and will have a damaging affect on the local shops. Will Towerbank School expand to allow for extra classes or will it be oversubscribed? The junction is already extremely busy, further traffic and pollution would be generated.	Green space, tourist facilities, rail link and local station.
Strongly Object	I think the area is a bad area for a supermarket, mainly for the traffic congestion and the impact it'll have on the high street and the nearby surroundings. Housing is important because it is strongly needed.	A safe and proper route leading in and out of the housing estate. Suitable housing accommodation for the residents.
Neutral	Height of buildings is too high and does Portobello really need more flats? Proper houses for families would be better with more garden space. How much parking will there be for cars and will this impact on nearby streets? Concerned about the impact on doctors surgeries and school spaces.	More green space
Strongly Support	I appreciate the images are for illustrative purposes only and the site does need redeveloped soon. I would like to see a more imaginative design for the building that will contain Aldi. it looks like a dull box. Otherwise I fully support the application.	A bit more greenspace
Strongly Support	it's about time something was done with this site, it has been left as an eyesore for to long	
Support	Empty spaces do nothing fo r the community as a whole and can become an eyesore - better put to good use. Prtobello is very lively now, not sleepy as in the past - and I'm sure all of the Bugaboos and their owners would llove an Aldi!	
Object	Portobello has a high street which includes many food stores including 2 well known supermarkets as well as a variety of smaller stores. It has diversity which is not available in many smaller urban 'village' communities in Edinburgh but this is still precarious economically and needs to be supported in a sustainable way. Within a distance of 2 miles there are several large supermarkets. There is therefore not a lack of the availability of supermarkets. Any new supermarket development would impact negatively on the high street, taking away from existing provision. Any new development of a supermarket has the potential to impact negatively on traffic flow in Portobello, already severely congested at peak times.	More green space in development and ways to approach traffic management. More effectively linking with existing retail. Some small scale community resource on site. Space for artists workshops - eg, the Powerhouse.
Neutral	Portobello's Hight Street is just about surviving, we have a Scotmid, Sainsbury's and there is an Aldi and Lidl a really short bus or cycle away already. The High Street is so precious and the business's on it which provide employment and services which help make Portobello such a special place will be unlikely to survives another supermarket	Plans for relocation of artists studios, artists spend money in the local area and are an important part of Portobello's community.

	<p>opening so close.</p> <p>The artists using the studios on the current site are an important part of the Portobello community, would be good to see them rehoused - there is a disused building at the end of Hope Lane North on the High Street, maybe an arrangement could be made for a temporary lease on that with Discretionary Business Rates Relief from the council to make it viable? I would be happy to be involved with supporting this, email if that helps.</p> <p>Affordable housing on a brownfield site is great, just be really careful about destroying the fragile ecosystem which is our local High Street.</p>	
Strongly Object	This is too huge a development for this area of the city. Traffic congestion is already a major problem throughout the day and this will be made a great deal worse should this development be approved.	
Object	A supermarket on this site has already been rejected at a public enquiry, & the same reasons still exist.	A hotel is needed in Portobello, & this site is ideal for travel to town & to the beach & East Lothian.
Strongly Support	The local community needs an affordable supermarket that they can walk to, local employment too. But careful thought is required for the road access, traffic and school capacity.	A small community park in the development where all ages can meet and socialise.
Strongly Support	An excellent use of the site. it will generate footfall at the west end of the high street and encourage further commercial and retail development at that end of town	
Support	Whilst I understand the need for development I am concerned that portobello will be losing the Verden studios and some oot artistic spaces. I think there is a need to redress this and ensure that another site is found for these artistic outlets. Portobello is a hotbed for music and art and it should remain so.	Artistic space and a good park.
Support	From what I can see the proposal would appear to be of benefit to Portobello.	
Support	Generally speaking, I want to see the site developed. The housing looks better than previous attempts to build on the site. Main concern is congestion on the High Street with the increased traffic to supermarket.	
Strongly Object	This proposal will generate more traffic into Portobello which is already suffering from heavy congestion	
Neutral	<p>1). Abandon Aldi store proposal. If Aldi want a store in the area, re-site it off the Seafield Road between Fillyside Road and Crainintinny Road North.</p> <p>2). Release Aldi space for further "low level" housing, and include small local retail unit (eg newsagent)</p>	
Strongly Object	<p>What provision is simultaneously being made for increasing nursery, infant and senior school places in this catchment area?</p> <p>What provision is simultaneously being made for increasing medical &amp; dental practice facilities in this district? How many car spaces per house?</p> <p>With additional housing being built at Newhailes and Newcraighall the additional traffic impact on the rush hour crawl, from all of these developments, will slow the traffic and make bus journeys even more slow! What additional provision for educational facilities is intended?</p>	<p>1 A lesser number of houses, more open landscaped community space.</p> <p>2. Traffic sound absorbing measures. Dense perimeter planting!</p> <p>3. Screening between the housing and the industrial buildings.</p> <p>4. Safe communal area for children to play.</p>
Strongly Support	I see this project as a tremendous move forward for the entire Portobello community. after all the work the developers have put into the planning of this project I cannot see it being rejected what a wonderful opportunity to at last move forward	

Object	<p>I disagree with the proposal.</p> <p>The primary issue I have is that we do not need a supermarket at this spot. There is a large choice of supermarkets nearby, all on public transport and accessible by car. There is sufficient food retail on the high street, which is well used, but nowhere near capacity so is capable of handling more trade. There are also better locations for a supermarket, like on Seafield Road, where there are vacant lots on the railway side of the road.</p> <p>The North/West end of Portobello currently lacks the vibrancy of the rest of the town. I believe that this is largely due to the commercial and industrial feel of the area. I feel that developing the area with small retail would work best with residential and community focused buildings.</p>	<p>One commercial use I think can have a positive impact would be a hotel. This would help increase the tourism, making Portobello a better destination to stay rather than just visit during nice weather. This would also help develop that side of town with services like restaurants.</p>
Neutral	<p>I really think that there could have been a Better Choice than Aldi for a superstore, I really think Aldi is a Poor choice something like Tesco would have been a far better choice</p>	