

Stourbridge Northern Gateway

Comments from Public Consultation - March 2008

Lower High Street Subway	Pocket Park
Should be done as it's a disgrace. Needs lighting and CCTV.	Excellent idea. Good for students.
Good design. Better roads is a priority.	
Needs to be done up after its past neglect.	Great for the elderly, students, business people at lunch.
Great - its about time.	Nice idea. The buildings outside should be improved too.
	Very good idea to clear students from the town. Needs seating.
Mixing cyclists and pedestrians would cause a problem with youths.	Like the idea but it needs to be kept clean and tidy.
Looks very nice.	Very nice. Needs bins.
Needs police patrols. Could use local schools art for the walls.	Needs a shelter, bins and cigarette disposal unit.
Vast improvement. Ensure that its not neglected.	Very nice.
Would create more problems.	Strongly object. No need for a park - needs to be landscaped.
Good! Needs regular police patrols and CCTV.	Great idea. Security and regular cleaning is crucial.
Wall art is a great idea. Subway must be well lit.	Students wouldn't go there.
Agree that it needs updating. Needs to include security cameras.	Great for the locals.
Good idea to brighten it up.	Sounds good.
A graffiti wall made for graffiti artists would be good as well as CCTV.	Wouldn't want to sit in the area.
Is all the lighting necessary?	Waste of time and money. It wouldn't remain rubbish free.
Waste of money as it doesn't improve sightlines, crime or smell.	Good idea. Needs regular police patrol.
Anything would be an improvement as it gets scary. Needs CCTV and lighting	Great idea but CCTV is needed so it is not vandalised.
Make it feel safer, cleaner and more attractive.	Good as it provides an extra area for students.
Include a walk way to the old factory.	Excellent idea.
Money doesn't improve them.	Could be pleasant, needs careful maintenance. River should be accessible.
It would be a waste if vandals and graffiti artists would wreck this one too.	Attractive.
Cosmetic only - a waste of money	Could be of some value.
Keep strange men and youths from hanging around there.	Excellent.
Wonderful idea.	Sounds great but even with bins, the park will become full of rubbish.

Looks lovely.	Looks lovely. Needs cycle parking.
Big improvement. Needs CCTV.	Good idea to improve a neglected part of town.
Bright and colourful - good for the town.	A wonderful idea to be proud of.
Keep well maintained and have good lighting, walkways and no graffiti.	Good maintenance and it could be successful.
Good idea - will be a vast improvement	Needs a daily inspection and rubbish collections to keep it tidy. This area really needs improvement.
Needs broken glass swept reguarly but go ahead!	What's with the old Woolpack? Go ahead.
	Looks like a good idea as illustrated.
	Make is feel safer.
It will be made safer and pleasant. Transform into an attraction.	Better environment for pedestrians.
Good idea and looks very nice but would be a waste of money as people would wreck it.	
Looks very nice - it needs it.	Very nice but to include litter bins.
Lots of light and police patrols needed.	Have shelter so it is suitable for wet weather. Good way to use the town. Have finger posts signs towards it.
A perennial source of complaint and unease.	Very good idea provided that it's open to public view and scrutiny. Furniture must be robust.
	Good idea. CCTV to ensure it is accessible to all as gangs from King Eds may be intimidatory.
Houses need a revamp or the area will always look rundown.	Park area must be monitored to prevent residents in Bradley Road and Lower High Street being disturbed.
Subway is narrow, smelly and covered in flyposting and graffiti. Mixing cyclists and pedestrians is very unsafe.	Seems a good idea but it will attract litter and get destroyed. Two lanes of heavy traffic a few yards away.
Subways are an attraction for junkies and perverts. Security and proper maintenance are the priority rather than asthetics.	We need to replace green space and seating in Crown Lane to boost trade for cafes and create life in the town centre. LHS pocket park would become a haven for junkies and graffiti artists.
	Designs look fantastic, particularly like the serpentine bench. It will be a real lift and great to have some more green space.
	I think this is a great idea.
Subways should be made safer.	
Support project as the subway is an eyesore and doesn't encourage people down from the High Street.	Supported. Dudley MBC need to maintain this facility once it is built.
The viaduct wall paintings please.	Use local students to assist in developing the art project.
Make cyling in Lower High Street two-way. Remove barriers as they are too narrow. Make safer access to canal towpath.	
	CCTV cameras must be installed to prevent the area becoming a meeting point for undesirables.

Good idea - wall treatments, lighting and CCTV must be resistant to graffiti and damage. Effort must be made to manage litter. Long-term care essential.

Good idea. Concerns over noise from traffic and air quality.

Stour Bridge
Excellent to have Stourbridge emphasised.
Project is excellent. Should be made tasteful. Yes, do something to mark the entrance of Stourbridge.
Excellent idea for visitors.
Name the river with a sign either side of the bridge like other places.
Looks good. River needs to be cleaned first.
It wont be noticed. Needs something facing traffic.
Needs the river cleaned first.
Good Idea. Should include a plaque detailing history too.
Good idea. Needs an impressive gateway.
Great for people to take an interest in their local history.
Good idea to give Stourbridge its name.
Like the idea. River needs a clean.
Looks very nice.
Waste of money. Blocks views of river.
Good idea to improve the appearance of the river area, especially the viaduct.
Should represent the ancient border of Staffs to the north (knot) and Worc (pears) to the south.
Very good, fully support the plans.
Like the idea of the bridge and gateway. Emphasises that Stourbridge has a river.
Very much in favour.
Waste of money.
Puts Stourbridge on the map.
Clean up the river before improving the bridge. It's a disgrace.

Lovely but the river and the neglected buildings need improving too.
Good idea as long as the river is cleaned.
In favour - it looks impressive
Good idea. Improved lighting would be beneficial.
Good idea - an effort to feature the town and river.
Clean out the disgusting river as first priority.
Big enough to be seen by motorists. Not over decorative.
Nice for Stourbridge to have its own 'gateway' for visitors.
It won't be noticed being parallel to the road.
Good way of announcing the arrival in Stourbridge.
Should certainly be emphasised. Town grew up by the Stour in 13th century and the bridge gave town its name.
Lovely idea - with so many traffic lights motorists will have ample time to admire the scenery.
Pointless as cars zooming past are not going to notice.
A great idea, Stourbridge should be announced with pride. Example looks impressive as long as it's an attraction not a safety hazard.
Support this proposal.
Highlights the bridge as a significant entrance.

Good idea but there's a bus stop on southbound carriageway. Drivers focus should be on the road junctions. More should be done to open up river and banks.