



MELDRETH UNDERPASS

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OUR STORY



March
2021

Visit by Designing Out
Crime Officer

Dec
2021

Task and Finish Group
formed, site visit
carried out

March
2022

Workshop at MVC

June
2022

Community
Engagement: Survey
online and on paper

Apr
2023

Two art workshops
Six days of painting

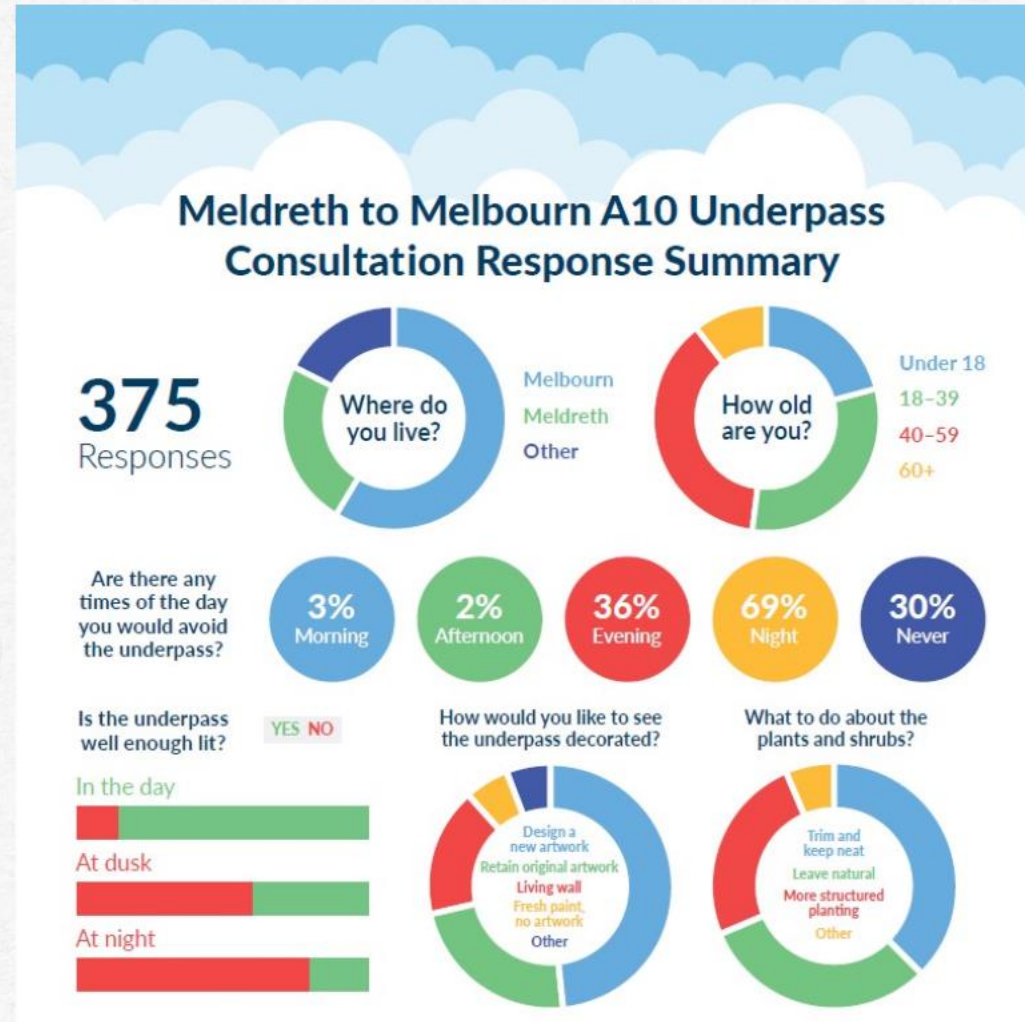
May
2023

Opening ceremony

WORKSHOP WORD CLOUD

dodgy
intimidating
unsafe at night
avoid
broken glass
dark
SCARY smokers

SURVEY RESPONSES



PROJECT PLAN



Lighting

Install new lighting pillar to turn lights on earlier and stay on later



Vegetation

Cut back the nettles and bushes to improve sightlines



Cleaning

Jet wash the ceiling and walls



Artwork

Create a new artwork with community input



Celebrate

Hold a community event to celebrate our achievements

BEFORE PICTURES



PAINTERS OF ALL AGES



CHURCHES



The
United
Reformed
Church



J's
youth
club



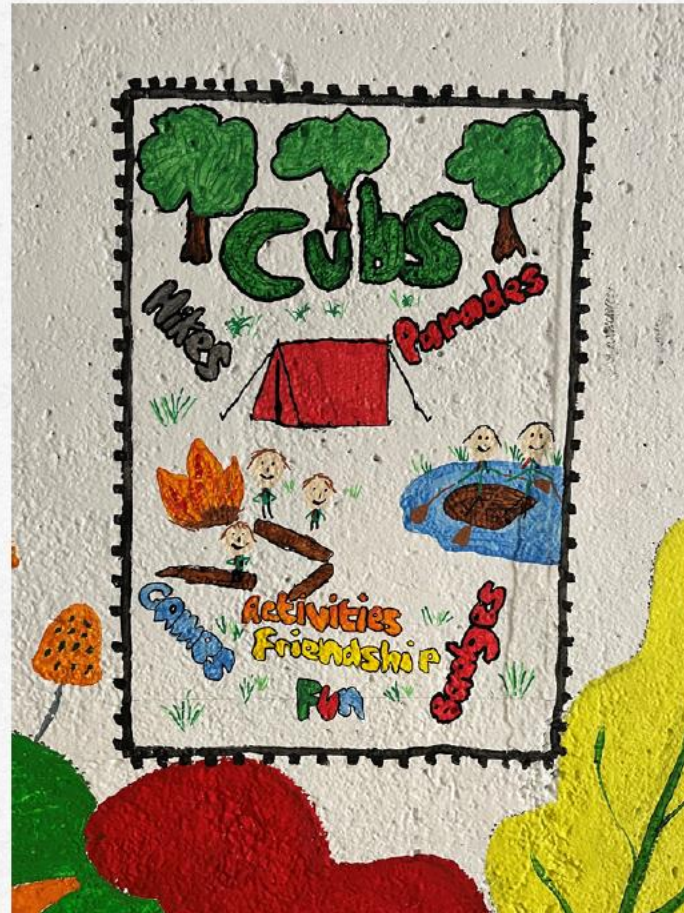
MELBOURN BAPTIST CHURCH



COMMUNITY GROUPS



YOUTH GROUPS





PUBLICITY



Volunteers brighten the A10 'wonderpass'

By Adrian Peel
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created by the community. The makeover includes new reflective paint throughout the underpass, new natural light and new electric lights that come on earlier and stay on later.

The project was funded by grants from Melbourn and Meldreth Parish Councils, South Cambridgeshire District Council, Govia Thameslink Railway, the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, the Community Rail Development Fund and SDC contractors; and with support from Cambridgeshire County Council.

and the Meldreth, Shepreth and Foxton Community Rail Partnership. Cllr Susan van de Ven, chair of the Meldreth, Shepreth and Foxton Community Rail Partnership, said: "People of all ages, from babies and toddlers to grandparents, have come together to create this wonderful place in a short window of time. Seeing grassroots community action like this is truly heartwarming. Moreover, we are really pleased to make this area feel safe in response to a call from local people. Months of preparation have included indispensable advice and support from SDC, who have been on site at doorknobs Science Park for the past couple of years and wanted to contribute to a lasting community project. The Meldreth-Melbourn underpass is a great example of partnership at work."

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The underpass was treated to a makeover after South Cambridgeshire District Council's partnership project officer co-ordinated a survey, which showed that seven in 10 people avoided the area after dark and that residents wanted an art space.



Mural designer Ben Barnes sketches out the design.



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News

Duke of Edinburgh in Bar Hill after visit to chocolate factory

By BECCA FIELD

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PRINCE EDWARD was spotted in Bar Hill this week following a visit to the Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) Open Award Centre. The Duke of Edinburgh is patron of the charity that delivers the DofE Award to young people in Cambridgeshire. People living in Bar Hill spotted the royal in their village on Wednesday (April 12) as he was leaving in a helicopter after working to some locals.



Prince Edward, alongside MP for South East Cambridgeshire, visited the chocolate factory Harry Specters, which offers work experience programmes. The Vets Arts and Community Group in Soham were also visited by the royal for his official opening. About his visit to the DofE Open Award Centre, Jack Harris, senior operations manager, said: "We are delighted to welcome the Duke of Edinburgh to Cambridgeshire to showcase the fantastic work that Cambridgeshire DofE Open Award Centre does for local young people. The Duke is more relevant now than ever before for young people, and it is great to show the incredible difference that young people are making in their communities through their volunteering."

"As a volunteer-led organisation, we will also be recognising DofE leaders today for their positive contributions in ensuring that young people from all backgrounds can access the DofE in Cambridgeshire. It's fantastic to have The Duke here today to see the impact that our leaders and volunteers have had."

Weather Premier travel

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Saturday		Sunday	
Birmingham	cloudy 13/55	overcast 14/57	
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Cardigan	sunny 13/55	overcast 14/57	
Exeter	sunny 15/59	cloudy 14/57	
Glasgow	cloudy 14/57	cloudy 15/59	
Leeds	cloudy 13/55	cloudy 15/59	
Liverpool	sunny 12/54	overcast 14/57	
London	cloudy 14/57	cloudy 15/61	
Manchester	partly cloudy 14/57	overcast 15/59	
Norwich	cloudy 14/57	cloudy 14/57	
Nottingham	cloudy 13/55	cloudy 15/59	
Plymouth	partly cloudy 14/57	cloudy 15/59	
Sheffield	partly cloudy 13/55	overcast 15/59	

Sales will be partly cloudy to cloudy today. Afternoon haze may be strong in S to NC.

Stage of 1st Trant

Derry

Burton-on-Trent

Birmingham

Leicester

Coventry

Cambridge

Northampton

Around the World

Saturday		Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday	
Amsterdam	partly cloudy	12/54	rain	11/52													
Beijing	partly cloudy	21/70	partly cloudy	22/72													
Genoa	rain	15/59	rain	14/57													
Madrid	partly cloudy	17/60	rain	17/62													
Mexico City	sunny	27/80	sunny	28/77													
Moscow	cloudy	7/46	cloudy	10/50													
New Delhi	partly cloudy	27/80	partly cloudy	28/77													
New York	rain	19/67	rain	18/65													
Paris	rain	14/57	rain	15/59													
Rome	rain	14/57	rain	15/59													
Sydney	partly cloudy	22/72	overcast	24/75													
Tokyo	rain	18/56	rain	18/56													
Almanac																	
Birmingham																	
Castles																	
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Walsley																	
Warrington																	
Wigan																	
Wolverhampton																	
Worcester																	
York																	
Zetland																	

Sun & Moon

Sunrise		Sunset	
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Four-Day Outlook

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	Cloudy.	Sunday	
	14°C / 57°F	6°C / 43°F	
	Sunny.	Monday	
	15°C / 59°F	5°C / 41°F	
	Sunny.	Tuesday	
	13°C / 55°F	5°C / 41°F	
	Partly cloudy.	Wednesday	
	12°C / 54°F	7°C / 45°F	

River Levels

Current		Forecast	
100	100	100	100
100	100	100	100
100	100	100	100

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News

Wonderful art gallery makeover helps make underpass safer place

MAGICAL MURALS AND REFLECTIVE PAINT LIGHT UP MELDRETH TO MELBOURN PATH

By CHARLOTTE PAGE

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MAGICAL murals and improved lighting have transformed the Meldreth to Melbourn underpass - and it is all thanks to community action. The vibrant murals have the feel of a giant art gallery and include artwork from 40 community groups, painted by volunteers of all ages over the Easter break. More than 100 volunteers helped in the first week alone.

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Melbourn to Meldreth

Wonderpass

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bring your own cup/water
bottle

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LESSONS LEARNED

1. What does the local population want?
 2. Find the lynchpin of the village
 3. Roll it like a snowball
 4. The boring bit: Insurance, Health and Safety
 5. Photo permissions
 6. Promote, promote, promote
 7. Haters gonna hate
 8. Pay a professional
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WHAT'S NEXT?

More art at Meldreth:

- Working with the Village College on Positive Mental Health messages
 - Working with the Primary Schools on Sustainable Travel messages
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THANK YOU
VERY MUCH!

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