Portfolio of Options

The portfolio of options stage of the CAAP is an opportunity to test future scenarios for development of the settlement. During the process existing and potential options have been collected ranging from housing, facilities and services as well as infrastructure. These options were converted into icons to be used in a series of activities in which residents, using 3D models and specially designed tables planned out various interventions and improvements and considered the funding and organisational strategies that could support these.

As well as this residents drew these plans in more detail and explored the challenges and opportunities of these changes.

Cockle Bay

Community Action Area Plan (CAAP)
Options and Principles (Leaflet 2 of 3)

This Leaflet presents an overview of the options and principles for future development that were generated from the CAAP process. Options refer to a range of possible interventions or processes that should be considered in a future development plan. Principles refer to a set of guidelines that reflect collective values for the future.

During the CAAP process options and principles were generated from each scale workshops: Home, Community, City and Policy and Planning. These were collated to inform a final engagement at the developing stage of the process called the Portfolio of options (described in the leaflet). During this stage residents reviewed the findings and through action planning activities using models and prioritising tools to explore different scenarios for change.

In Cockle Bay there was a general consensus that a community led approach to settlement upgrading was preferable but would need a stronger governance structure for collective decision making and to work with NGO’s and Government for financing improvements.

Infrastructure Options

These options relate to the existing and potential infrastructure that need to be considered for future development in the settlement. These include water provision, drainage, transport, sanitation and waste management and transport.

Water
These options relate to access to water for drinking and bathing

Waste Management
These options relate to household and municipal waste

Sanitation
These options relate to toilet and bathing facilities

Transport
These options relate to mobility public and private

Energy
These options relate to strategies for and access to power

Drainage
These options relate to waste water and water run off

Community Space/Service Options

These options relate to the existing and potential shared community spaces, amenities and services that need to be considered for future development within the settlement.

Community Services
These options relate to community services such as schools, health centres.

Religious and cultural
These options relate to Religious and cultural buildings

Open Space
These options relate to shared parks and sportsfields

Economic Spaces
These options relate to existing and potential livelihoods, markets and businesses within the community

Housing Options

These options relate to the existing and potential housing conditions that need to be considered for future development within the settlement. These include typologies, materials and tenure.

Tenure
These options relate to the type of housing tenure available including rental and ownership

Materials
These options relate to the building materials used for construction including concrete, earth, corrugated sheeting.

Typology
These options relate to both the size and typology of individual homes and the layout and density in the street.

Organisation Options

These options relate to the existing and potential people, process and funding that need to be considered for future development in the settlement. Residents considered who should lead on different issues, how long interventions might take, types of ownership and how decisions should be made.

Stakeholders
These options relate to both community and city wide stakeholders and institutions including CBO’s, NGO’s, Private Sector, Freetown City Council and the Government

Funding
These options relate to the finance available for proposals including NGO grants, savings, private and government investments and micro credit
Cockle Bay Principles

1. Protect and enhance local environment for restoration of local to its original beauty.
2. Achieve security of tenure and restore the existing natural resources and environment to their original beauty.
3. Access for all to quality, clean water collection Private water storage.
4. Create a fair settlement for all with equal access to amenities and facilities.
5. Improve access and mobility within the community and the wider city.
6. Improved waste management and sanitation.

- Improve access and mobility within the community and the wider city.
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- Waste management/dump site Clean River Water for drinking.
- Roof water collection.
- Private water storage.

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