**Responses to HIF 24 Survey December 23/January 24**

The survey form was included in HDT Newsletter mailouts in December 23 and January 24 and was also available at the HDT stall at the Farmers’ Markets and in the reception at HEART. We received 68 responses, 61 were from current HDT members. Over 90% indicated they would be prepared to invest in a new fund.

**Q1 What area would you like a future fund to focus on?** (please select as many as you like)

* Environmental sustainability of HDT's current assets (e.g. HEART, Headingley Greengrocer, Headingley Mount residential property) 55 (28%)
* A further expansion of our homes / responsible landlord initiative 38 (19%)
* Supporting the long-term financial future of existing HDT assets 42 (21%)
* Supporting the development of local businesses (existing or new) 38 (19%)
* Invest in demonstrator projects for energy efficient homes in the local area 21 (11%)
* Other suggestions by respondents 5 (3%)

**Q2. Please indicate your preferred area from the ones listed in Q1**

* Environmental sustainability of HDT's current assets (e.g. HEART, Headingley Greengrocer, Headingley Mount residential property) 16 (23%)
* A further expansion of our homes / responsible landlord initiative 17 (25%)
* Supporting the long-term financial future of existing HDT assets 16 (23%)
* Supporting the development of local businesses (existing or new) 11(16%)
* Invest in demonstrator projects for energy efficient homes in the local area 7 (10%)

**Q3. Please provide any further detail on the type of project you would like a future community fund to focus on**

(See Appendix A for complete list of responses)

**Q4 Might you consider investing in a future fund?**

* Yes 62 (91%)
* No 6 (9%)

**Q5. Other than the type of projects, what would else would motivate you to invest in a community share fund**

* Other benefits (e.g. local discounts) 30 (44%)
* The interest rate offered 27 (40%)
* Frequent publicity of the work of the fund 23 (34%)
* Other reasons mentioned 15 (22%)

**Q6. Please provide further detail if you have answered 'other' to Q5.**

(See Appendix B for full list of responses)

**Q7. Would you be willing to help with supporting the administration of a future fund?**

* No 54 (79%)
* Yes 14 (21%)

**Q8. If you answered 'Yes' to Q7 please indicate which area/s you would willing to help with** (more than one response allowed):

* Financial modelling 5
* Advisory / involvement in a project steering group 9
* Marketing comms 4
* Drafting/ reviewing documents 7
* Other (suggested by respondents) 3

**Q9. Are you an existing member of Headingley Development Trust?**

* Yes 61 (90%)
* No 4 (6%)

(3 no response)

**Appendix A: Q3 responses (***Please provide any further detail on the type of project you would like a future community fund to focus on)*

* HDT through HIF has a unique opportunity to show the way for sustainable development in Headingley. I believe this opportunity should used to create exemplar projects such as energy efficient homes and businesses. This will help combat climate change and show what’s residents, communities that we (HDT) are investing in a greener future for our community.
* I volunteer with Leeds Asylum Seekers Support Network (www.lassn.org.uk). In addition to our grace hosting programme, we currently run 2 houses for use by refugees and asylum seekers and are looking to buy a third. Would HIF consider buying a property for similar use?
* Worker co-op: To assist the development of workers co-ops in Headingley/Leeds area; Housing: To assist the development of community land trusts; Transport: Assist the improvement of Leeds transport links
* It needs to be something with an ongoing future, especially bricks and mortar. This makes it sustainable and to some extent future-proofed. I would not invest in something that was only an exemplar.
* Homes for families. I've lived in LS6 for 23 years and can't afford to buy and have a family. We'd like to stay locally and don't like renting from estate agents, even though we have to.
* Environmenal impact is clealry of huge importance, but for people to invest in a project it might need to be more concrete, such as expanding the Headingley homes initiatiive
* In the current economic circumstances the businesses which we have now are important to retain through assisting them to be economically sustainable into the long run.
* Development of local businesses/shops might help people continue to use Headingley centre and help with the balance of food/drink outlets
* I invested in the Headingley Wholefoods store. Would like something similar to be supported-maybe a community reuse-recycle shop?
* Accessible and inclusive community spaces to bring otherwise isolated and marginalised people together
* Support of the lending library of things to ensure it has wider reach and expand its opening hours
* Reducing number of hmo/student properties and creating more owner occupied high quality homes
* Working with University of Leeds on setting up sustainable businesses, using their research
* Support for independent business’ to encourage more creativity and variety of shops.
* Seed funding for viable businesses / projects (may include external funding as well)
* To take a lead in being a good landlord and promoting energy efficient projects.
* Rentable homes for families to establish themselves long term in Headingley.
* Supporting sustainable startup businesses in Headingley
* Buying houses in headingley and renting out to families
* Help in housing homeless people as well as refugees
* Growing projects and access to locally grown food
* Would love to see a local bakery in the area!
* More community shops e.g. a refill station
* Clean air and streets; drug dealing

**Appendix B Q 6 responses** *(Please provide further detail if you have answered 'other' to Q5).*

* Headingley is a historical, diverse and rich community. I would be happy to invest for a small rate of return/zero rate of return to ensure that Headingley continues to develop this richness in a sustainable and accessible way.
* It might be best to offer a hypothecated fund. I would definitely invest in something real and tangible and likely to last, but I would NOT invest in something that was merely an exemplar or a 'project', no matter how worthy.
* I think being engaged about the work of the fund to know the direction it is going in, the benefits it has had, where future money will be invested etc.
* We should work on our current assets, but also continue search for a breakthrough project that stimulates interest. We’re not there yet
* Joint (or similar) ventures with local farms (Meanwood City Farm, Kirkstall Valley Farm, etc)
* ? a once or twice a year Newsletter with information on positive impacts of investments
* Given the diversity in Headingley, bring communities together
* Green space for public use on headingley
* Business partnerships with University
* I think I already have.
* See previous answer.