

Data description

This collection comprises three sets of transcripts for a series of 'citizen' panel workshops conducted in York, Milton Keynes and Cardiff in 2023 and 2024. The broad topic of the panels was relational value associated with the urban treescape. The first set of panels (one in each city) covered current relationships with the urban treescape, and related treescape attributes to values. The purpose of the second set of panels was to generate general visions of the future treescape, as well as ideas for improvements to specific locations. These panels also included some representatives of local decision makers. The purpose of the final set of panels was to validate a set of narrative scenarios of the future treescape and to reach consensus on sets of outcomes and actions to achieve them, that panel members would like to see happen in their own city. In addition to panel workshop transcripts, supporting material includes the topic guides for each panel set, together with materials that were provided to participants either in advance of or during the panel discussion. A master document is included that shows demographic information about participants and which can be used to trace the participation of panel members across the series of panels. Panel workshops lasted approximately 2.5 hours, though transcripts have been shortened to remove presentations.

Methodology

A recruitment consultant recruited 30 panel members from the local community for York, Milton Keynes and Cardiff. Each panel was recruited to be as representative as possible of the demographics of the city. The consultants were also asked to ensure that the participants represented a range of pre-existing interest trees. Panel discussions were held either at a central hotel or University building, beginning in the early evening. Participants were provided with a meal and were paid a per-diem for attending.

Each panel had a mixture of information presented by the project team and small group discussions held at tables with 5-8 participants with a facilitator. Participants contributed to maps, worksheets and produced written work and images. These materials are not included in the data set.

Data sourcing, processing and preparation:

Discussions were recorded using a voice recorder placed on each table. These discussions were professionally transcribed. Stories were extracted from the transcriptions and entered into a spreadsheet. The stories were then coded to reflect the life frames that were mentioned in the stories, social and cultural values that were mentioned and any characteristics of trees or treescapes. The data included in this data set comprises a present spreadsheet and a future spreadsheet for each location containing the stories together with codes. The stories were anonymised to remove all identifying information associated with participants themselves or people that they mentioned, including names, locations of homes, workplaces or places where participants visit frequently..

The spreadsheets contain the following fields:

Present stories

Column A: WKT - Co-ordinates associated with the story. Where no location was specified, it is marked as 'na'

Column B: Story_id - Unique story identifier using the formula [Story source][City][Story number], e.g. CPMK032, where: [Story source] is: CP = Present stories from Citizen Panel workshops; [City] is: CF = Cardiff, MK = Milton Keynes, YO = York; [Story number] = incremental, unique numbering starting from 001

Column C: Full_quote - Raw text from the transcript of the story segment. [Name] indicates where identifying information has been removed; [23:14] indicates parts too indistinct to transcribe; / indicates a change in speaker as others in the group commented

Column D-G: Life Frame codes (absent = 0; present = 1 or more)

Column H-Q: Social and Cultural Value codes (absent = 0; present = 1 or more)

Column R-AS: Tree Characteristic Codes (absent = 0; present = 1 or more; na = not coded)

Future Stories

Column A: Story_id - Unique story identifier using the formula [Story source][City][Story number], e.g. CPMK032, where: [Story source] is: STF = Future stories from Citizen Panel workshops; [City] is: CF = Cardiff, MK = Milton Keynes, YO = York; [Story number] = incremental, unique numbering starting from 001

Column B: Transcript - Text of stories of the future as written by citizens during the workshop

Column C-G: Life Frame codes (absent = 0; present = 1 or more)

Column H-Q: Social and Cultural Value codes (absent = 0; present = 1 or more)

Column R-AC: Selected Tree Characteristic Codes (absent = 0; present = 1 or more; na = not coded)

List of ALL variables:

Datasheet Column	Present stories	Future stories
Column A	WKT	Story_id
Column B	Story_id	Transcript
Column C	Full_quote	Living_In
Column D	Living_In	Living_From
Column E	Living_From	Living_With
Column F	Living_With	Living_As
Column G	Living_As	Life_frame_unsure
Column H	History	History
Column I	Connection_to_people	Connection_to_people
Column J	Connection_to_trees	Connection_to_trees
Column K	Intrinsic_value_trees	Intrinsic_value_trees
Column L	Trees_as_beings	Trees_as_beings
Column M	Learning	Learning
Column N	Sense_of_place	Sense_of_place
Column O	Spirituality	Spirituality
Column P	Health_wellbeing	Health_wellbeing
Column Q	Aesthetic_Enjoyment	Aesthetic_Enjoyment
Column R	Age	Age
Column S	Associated_wildlife_nature	Associated_wildlife_nature
Column T	Bark	Flowers_leaves
Column U	Branches_shape	Fruits_nuts

Column V	Diversity_in_the_treescape	Near_work_home
Column W	Flowers_leaves	Size
Column X	Forest_schools	Species
Column Y	Fruits_nuts	Gardens
Column Z	Gardens	Parks_parkland
Column AA	Graveyards_cemeteries	Single_trees
Column AB	Green_corridors	Street_trees
Column AC	Groups_of_trees	Woodland
Column AD	Lines_of_trees	
Column AE	Near_key_buildings	
Column AF	Near_water	
Column AG	Near_work_home	
Column AH	Parks_parkland	
Column AI	Presence_trees	
Column AJ	Right_tree_right_place	
Column AK	Sap_pollen_spikes_thorns	
Column AL	Shade	
Column AM	Single_trees	
Column AN	Size	
Column AO	Smell	
Column AP	Species	
Column AQ	Street_trees	
Column AR	Views_vistas	
Column AS	Woodland	