

Urban planning and participation

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Climate

Urbanization

Change

Traffic



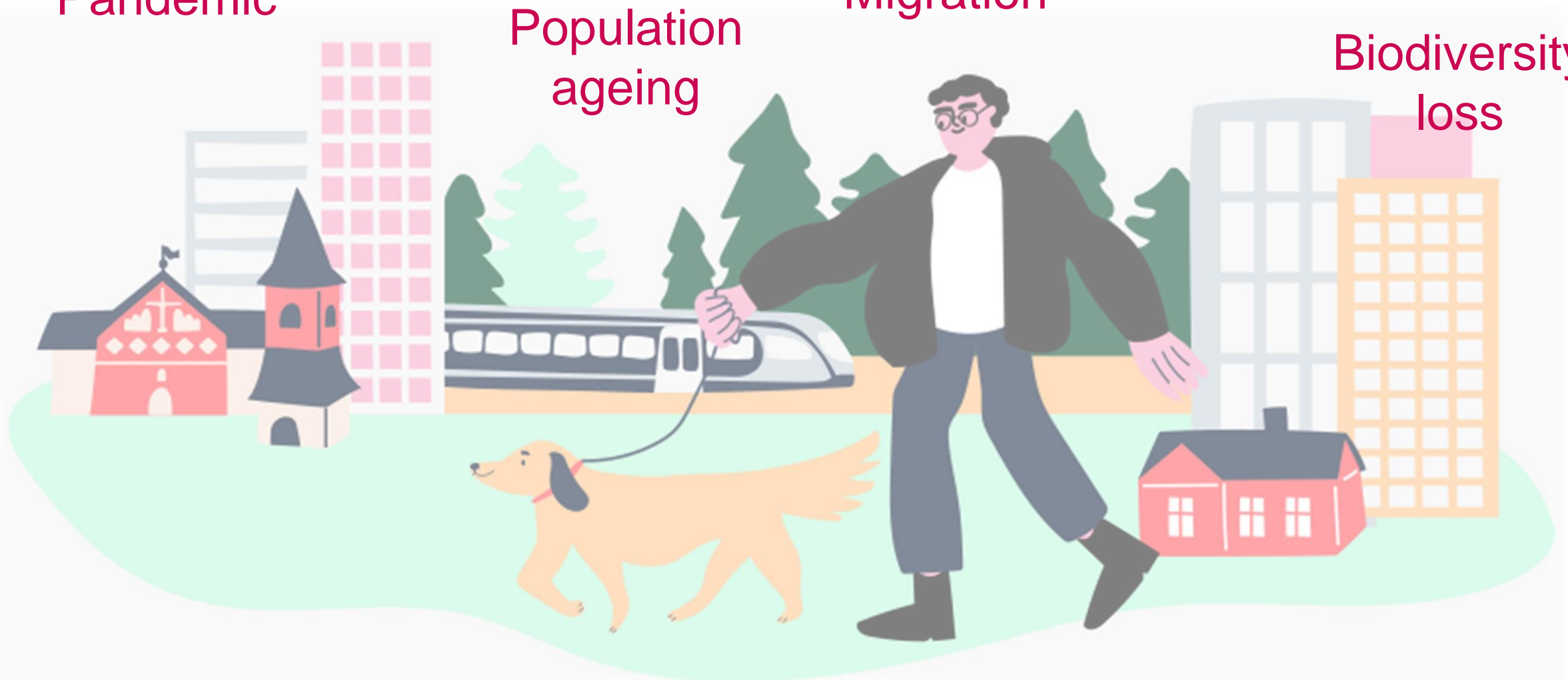
Digitalization

Pandemic

Population ageing

Migration

Biodiversity loss



City Planning

Making Future

Envisioning Futures

Anticipating Futures

Managing Change



City Planning Department

Responsibilities include

- Local master plans
- Local detailed plans
- Traffic planning
- Cooperation with stakeholders

130

Experts from various fields

40–50

New detailed plans every year

350,000

Floor square metres of housing construction every year

Participation is a part of urban planning

Right to participate

**Knowledge
and ideas**

Dialogue



Planning process

Planning is a process during which the plan evolves step by step.



Residents and stakeholders may participate in the process in several steps and various ways.

Many ways to follow and participate in planning

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Background information to support participation

Public displays

Resident and stakeholder surveys

Sessions and events

Planning walks

Workshops



My espoo on the map📍

**Residents' experience-based
knowledge into planning**

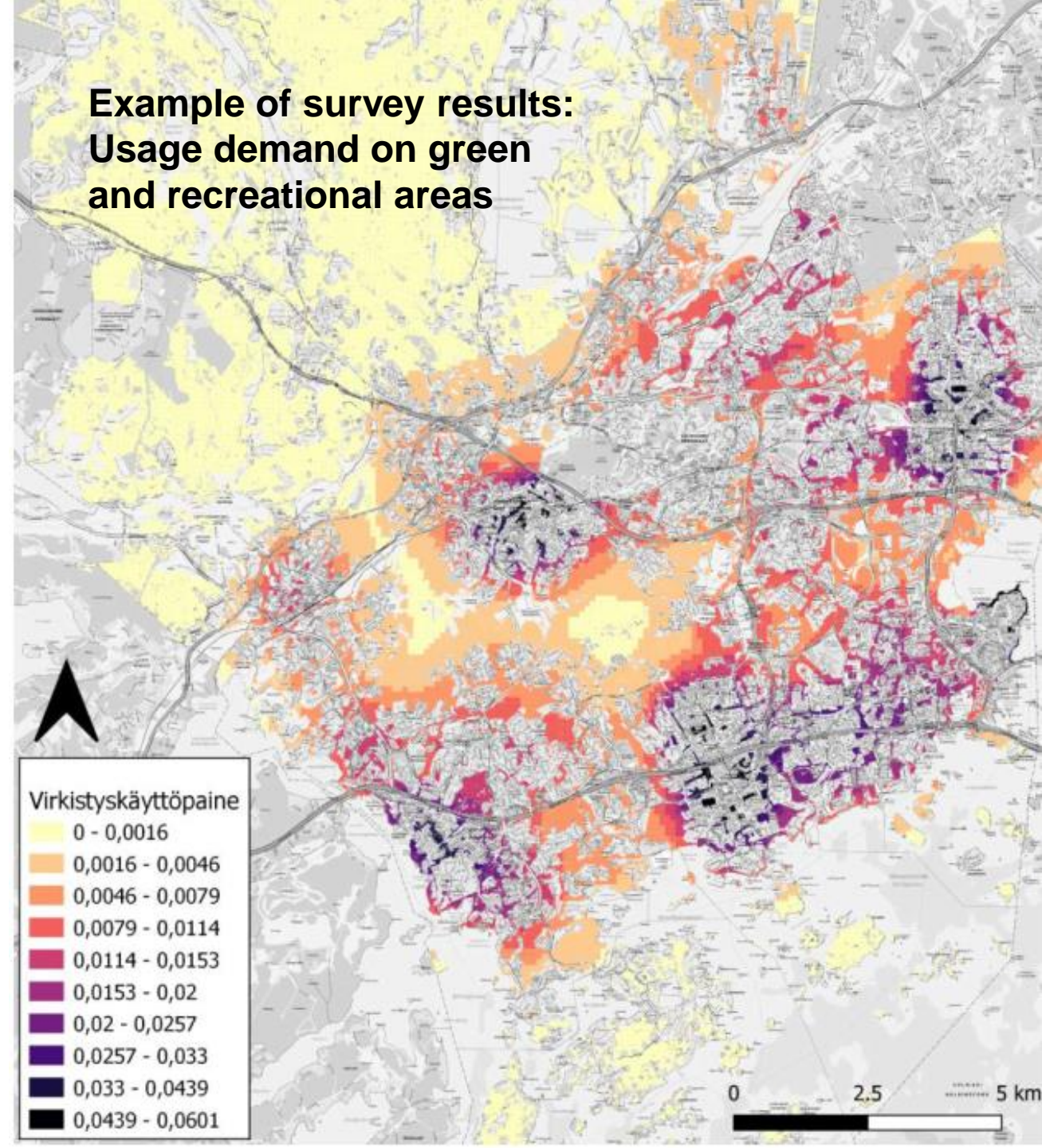


Residents were asked about, e.g.

- Every day places
- Quality places
- Experiences in these places
- Development needs and ideas
- Mobility between the places
- Residential and services development

6.600 respondents,
including 2 400 school students (12-18 years)

70.000 marks and comments





My espoo on the map



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Challenges

Making information accessible and understandable

Interaction early on and throughout the planning process

Enhancing and communicating the influence of participation

Inclusion and diversity of voices

Building genuine dialogue, shared understanding, and trust





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Let's talk about
the future of our city



Thank you!

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