

Draft

Play Spaces Strategy

Public Consultation Report



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1.0 Introduction

Fife Council have developed a draft Play Spaces Strategy to manage play spaces over the next ten years.

The strategy can be downloaded here https://www.fife.gov.uk/kb/docs/articles/community-life2/parks,-allotments,-core-paths/play-parks

The public consultation on the strategy was held between September and December 2019. This was authorised on the 8th November 2018 at a meeting of the Community & Housing Services Committee. The committee report can be downloaded here:

http://publications.fifedirect.org.uk/c64 PDF-CH-WhitePapers-081118.pdf

People were able to comment on the strategy in several ways

- Attending 10 evening meetings in different venues across Fife
- Filling in an online survey
- Taking part in an online discussion

Some other people emailed their comments out with the consultation period and these have been recorded. There were a couple of meeting with Community Councils.

The online survey had the highest participation and geographic spread. Public meetings were poorly attended.

The online survey produced the most range of comments:

- Support for producing a strategy.
- Mix of views on the amount of play parks
- Negative comments on play park maintenance
- Support for natural play features in greenspaces such as logs and mounds were good for play.
- 37% of people supported proposals for specific settlements
- 33% disagreed with proposals for specific settlements.
- praise for well-designed play parks such as the new play park at Dunfermline Public Park.
- Desire to see more inclusive play equipment.

There are several play parks were people do not want to see change, this was expressed in the online survey, discussion and at the public meetings. There has also been support to see change, using the strategy categorisation and this was expressed online and in public meetings.

2.0 Background

2.1 - Communicating the public consultation

The draft strategy and map proposals are available on a Fife Council page. https://www.fife.gov.uk/kb/docs/articles/community-life2/parks,-allotments,-core-paths/play-parks

All community councils, councillors were notified about the consultation. Information was emailed to Fife Council education service to include in school emails to parents. Posters were displayed at libraries and sports centres. The Courier had a front page article about the consultation and there were items on Kingdom FM and Forth 1 radio stations.

240 people filled in the online survey and 56 people attended the 10 evening meetings. The meetings were held across Fife including Dunfermline, Cowdenbeath, Kirkcaldy, Kennoway, Glenrothes, Rosyth, Pitlessie, Tayport, Anstruther, High Valleyfield.

Strategy presentations were given to all Council ward meetings between January 2018 and May 2019.

3.0 Online survey

People could fill in an online survey on Fife Direct.

The survey consisted of closed questions and open questions.

The closed questions and results for these are in table 4

In answering the closed questions, only agree, disagree could be the answer. In the open questions people could give whatever answer they wanted.

Table 2 number of comments about a specific settlement						
Cowdenbeath Area	Dunfermline Area	Glenrothes Area	Kirkcaldy Area			
Cowdenbeath 3	Dunfermline 6	Glenrothes 24	Kirkcaldy 14			
Crossgates 4	Kingseat 1	Kinglassie 3	Burntisland 4			
Kelty 6	Townhill 2	Markinch 1	Kinghorn 1			
Ballingry 1						
Lochore 1						
Lochgelly 2						
Levenmouth Area	North East Fife Area	NE Fife	South & West Fife			
Kennoway 2	Kingskettle 8	Crail 2	Area			
Leven 4	Kettlehill 1	Pittenweem 3	Aberdour 1			
Methilhill 1	Tayport 1	Elie / Earlsferry 1	Dalgety Bay 13			
Coaltown of	Balmullo 13	St Monans 1	North Queensferry			
Wemyss 1	Wormit 2	Ceres 2	3			
East Wemyss 4	St Andrews 1	Cupar 1	Saline 2			
Methil 2	Strathkinness 1					
	Anstruther 2					
	Kingsbarns 1					
	Largoward 3					
	Colinsburgh 1					

3.1.1 Age, gender and ethnicity

10 people from an ethnic minority completed the survey.

Table 3 – gender and age						
	Age	Female		age	male	
	unspecified	2		unspecified	1	
	0 - 15	2		0 - 15	0	
	16 - 24	5		16 - 24	1	
	25 - 44	122		25 - 44	15	
	45 - 64	34		45 - 64	11	
	65+	14		65+	5	
	Total	179		Total	33	

3.2 Closed questions

	Strongly	Agree	Disagree	Strongly	Don't know	Total
	agree	J	· ·	disagree		
There are	18	72	67	51	8	216
about the						
right number						
of playparks						
	8.3%	33.3%	31.0%	23.6%	3.7%	100.0%
Existing	18	57	77	61	1	214
playparks are						
good for play						
	8.4%	26.6%	36.0%	28.5%	0.5%	100.0%
Playparks are	131	66	9	8	1	215
valued by the						
local						
community						
	60.9%	30.7%	4.2%	3.7%	0.5%	100.0%
Playparks are	13	46	88	60	5	212
well						
maintained						
	6.1%	21.7%	41.5%	28.3%	2.4%	100.0%
Greenspaces	105	75	22	5	4	211
with features						
such as logs,						
boulders						
slopes,						
seating,						
goals, wildflowers						
are good for						
play						
pidy	49.8%	35.5%	10.4%	2.4%	1.9%	100.0%
Greenspaces	97	91	18	6	3	215
whether	37	91	10	O	3	213
grass areas or						
woods are						
good for play						
. ,	45.1%	42.3%	8.4%	2.8%	1.4%	100.0%
Fife Council	170	34	1	2	4	211
should have a			_	_		
long term						
plan for the						
management						
of playparks						
and						
playspaces						
	80.6%	16.1%	0.5%	0.9%	1.9%	100.0%

3.3 Open questions

There were 3 open questions

- Fife Council should have a long term plan for the management of playparks and playspaces?
- Would you like to comment on proposals for a specific town or village?
- If you have any other comments you would like to make about play spaces, and Fife Council's play spaces strategy, please do so here?

3.3.1 compilation of open answers

Open answers were collated, and two graphics have been created to illustrate this.

Table 6 – graphic to show compilation of open answers

Collation on the number of comments tagged in the following categories. The majority of comments were about play parks, but there were some comments about facilities for teenagers and greenspace.

Breaking down the play park comments showed most people commenting on the need to upgrade specific play parks. Comments on specific strategy proposals featured highly.

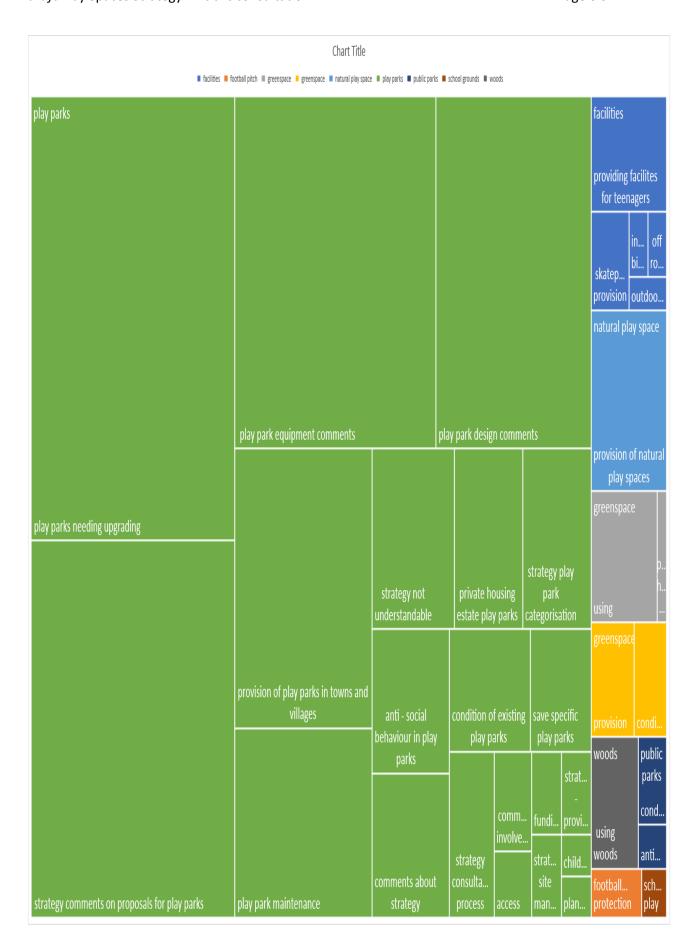
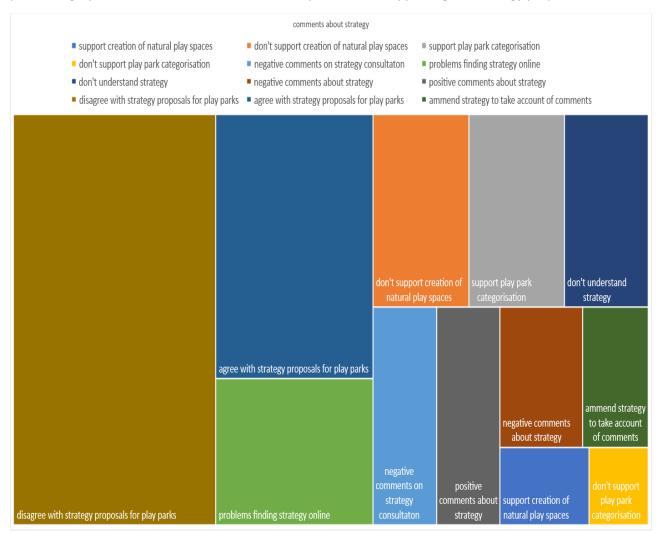


Table 7 graphic to show compilation of comments about strategy

The largest cluster of comments were about disagreeing with strategy proposals for a specific play park. The graphic also shows that there were many comments supporting the strategy proposals.



3.3.2 Comments on proposals for a specific settlement

- 70% of the people commented on proposals for specific settlements
- 37% Agree with proposals for specific settlement 56
- 33% Disagreed with proposals for specific settlement 51
- Don't know 28 20%
- No comment 16 10%

	Table 5 – proposals f	for settler	nents	
	Town or village	proposa	ls for settlem	ents
		agree	disagree	don't know
Cowdenbeath Area	Crossgates	2		2
	Cowdenbeath	1	1	1
	Kelty	2	2	2
	Ballingry		1	
	Lochore			1
	Lochgelly		1	
Dunfermline Area	Dunfermline	3	1	1
	Townhill	2		
	Kingseat		2	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	11	4	5
	Coaltown of			
	Balgonie			1
	Markinch			1
	Kinglassie	1		2
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	7	1	4
	Burntisland		3	3
	Kinghorn	1		
Levenmouth	East Wemyss		3	
	Coaltown of Wemyss			1
	Methil	1	2	
	Kennoway			2
	Leven	1	3	1
North East Fife	Kingskettle	1	6	
	Kettlehill			1
	Balmullo	11		
	Wormit		3	
	Tayport		1	
	Strathkinness	1		
	Ceres			2
	Cupar		1	
	St Monans	1		
	Kingsbarns	1		
	Anstruther	1	1	
	Crail		2	
	Pittenweem	2	1	
	Elie / Earlsferry	1		
	Largoward	2	1	
South & West Fife	Saline		1	
	Dalgety Bay	3	8	
	North Queensferry	1	1	

Comments on proposals for a specific settlement

This is a compilation of comments about specific sites. The most comments recorded 12 were disagreeing with the strategy proposal to change Cathel Square. This is a site with one piece of equipment.

Table 8 – compilation of open answers about specific locations or sites

Committee Area	Settlement	location	comments	Nr of comments
Cowdenbeath	Benarty	no location	play park provision	3
Area			is poor	
Cowdenbeath	Benarty	Martin Crescent	maintenance of	1
Area			play park is poor	
Cowdenbeath	Benarty	Natvie	maintenance of	2
Area			play park is poor,	
			and it needs to be	
			upgraded	
Cowdenbeath	Benarty	no location	no investment in	1
Area			Benarty	
Cowdenbeath	Benarty	Rosewell Drive	This play park	1
Area			needs to be	
			included in	
			strategy for	
			improving	
Cowdenbeath	Cowdenbeath	Church St	Play Park needs	1
Area			upgrading	
Cowdenbeath	Cowdenbeath	no location	glass needs to be	1
Area			cleared up in play	
			parks	
Cowdenbeath	Cowdenbeath	no location	play park provision	1
Area			is poor in	
			Cowdenbeath	
Cowdenbeath	Cowdenbeath	Southfield	Play Park needs	1
Area			upgrading	
Cowdenbeath	Crossgates	no location	Muirdean Trust	1
Area			money could be	
			used for to	
			improve play parks	
Cowdenbeath	Crossgates	Windmill Knowe	Crossgates needs a	1
Area			destination play	
			park as the	
			population is	
			growing	
Cowdenbeath	Crosshill	no location	The design of the	1
Area			play park in	
			Crosshill is poor	
Cowdenbeath	Kelty	Central Park	The football club	1
Area			beside Central	
			Park in Kelty could	
			help improve the	
			park.	

Cowdenbeath			-	
Cowdenneath	Kelty	Central Park	The outdoor gym	1 comments
Area			equipment in	
			Central Park is	
			never used	
Cowdenbeath	Kelty	Central Park	Central Park is an	1
Area			important park for	
			play.	
Cowdenbeath	Kelty	Central Park	Central Park play	4
Area			park needs	
			upgrading	
Cowdenbeath	Kelty	new housing near	No play parks in	4
Area		Kelty Hearts	the new private	
			housing beside	
			Kelty Hearts	
Cowdenbeath	Lochgelly	Public Park	Play Park needs	1
Area			upgrading	
Cowdenbeath	Lochore Meadows	no location	The volcano needs	1
Area	Country Park		repaired	
Dunfermline Area	Dunfermline	Paton Street	Play Park needs	4
			upgrading	
Dunfermline Area	Dunfermline	public park	Maintenance of	1
			Dunfermline Public	
			Park is poor	
Dunfermline Area	Kingseat		Play Park needs	1
	8550.0		upgrading	_
Dunfermline Area	Townhill	no location	Townhill Wood not	1
			safe to play in	_
Dunfermline Area	Dunfermline	Alexander way /	The factor is not	2
		Dover Dr	maintaining the	_
			play park. Swings	
			have been	
			removed and the	
			play park is	
			waterlogged.	
Dunfermline Area	Dunfermline	Pittencrieff Park	Praise for the	2
			design and having	_
			inclusive play park.	
Dunfermline Area	Dunfermline	public park	Praise for the	4
		p and and p and	design. This should	
			be the model for	
			upgrading older	
			play parks	
Dunfermline Area	Dunfermline	public park	The old frame play	1
		Pagine Parit	park needs to be	_
			kept	
	1	1	1	1

Committee Area	Settlement	location	comments	Nr of comments
Dunfermline Area	Dunfermline	Scobie Place	Disagree with	1
			removal of Scobie	
			Place as this is the	
			only play park	
			within walking	
			distance.	
Dunfermline Area	Townhill Park	no location	Praise for the	1
			design .	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Beechwood	Disagree with the	1 comment
			proposals to	
			remove two play	
			parks in	
			Beechwood. The	
			empty sites will	
			end up with anti-	
			social behaviour	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Carlton Park	Play Park needs	
dictilottics Area	diciliotiles	Carton ark	upgrading	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Finglassie	Play Park needs	4
Glefifothes Area	Glefifotiles	riligiassie	upgrading.	4
			, -	
			Drainage is very	
Claratha Ara	Charathan	C'I I I	poor.	4
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Gilvenbank	Praise for the	1
			design .	_
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Inverary Ave	Play Park needs	2
			upgrading	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Magnus Drive	Litter at play park	1
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Muirfield Drive	The play park	1
			should be saved	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	near Auchmuty	Need a new big	1
		High	play park	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Newcastle	maintenance of	1
			play park is poor	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Newcastle	Play Park needs	1
			upgrading	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	no location	maintenance of	2
			play parks is poor	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	no location	not enough	4
			investment in	
			towns play parks	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	no location	woods are a great	1
Siem ouies Area	Jieni Guies	no rocation	play asset for town	_
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Pitteuchar	Play Park needs	1
Olelli Otiles Aled	Glerifotiles	rilleucildi	· ·	_
Clamather A	Clamath		upgrading	1
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	removal of sites	Disagree with the	1
			removal of play	
			parks in the	
	1	1	strategy	1

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Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Stenton - Fyvie	Can't play football	1
		greenspace	due to long grass	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Stenton	Provision of play	6
			park is poor	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Stenton	Disagree with	1
			proposals	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Stenton	Play Park needs	1
Gleffi othes 7 (rea	Gierriotries	Stemon	upgrading.	-
			Drainage is very	
			poor.	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Stenton - between	Play Park needs	2
Glefifothes Area	dieffictiles	Crathes Cl &	upgrading	2
		Urquhart Gr	upgraumg	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Warout	Draice for ungrade	1 comment
Gienifothes Area	Glerifothes	vvarout	Praise for upgrade of refurbishment	1 comment
			of Warout Play Park	
Claurath as Auss	Claurathas	AA/:II a anaa		1
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Willow cres	Disagree with	1
		144 1 1 1	proposals	
Glenrothes Area	Glenrothes	Woodside	Play Park needs	3
-1			upgrading	
Glenrothes Area	Kinglassie	beside Miners	Save Play Park	1
		Institute		
Glenrothes Area	Kinglassie	no location	Don't understand	1
			proposals for	
			Kinglassie	
Glenrothes Area	Kinglassie		The skatepark	1
			needs upgrading	
Glenrothes Area	Leslie	no location	Play Parks needs	1
			upgrading	
Glenrothes Area	Markinch	John Dixon Park	Maintenance is	1
			poor in park	
Glenrothes Area	Markinch	no location	Play Parks needs	1
			upgrading	
Glenrothes Area	Thornton	Public Park	praise for play	1
			park	
Kirkcaldy Area	Burntisland	Dick Crescent	drainage needs to	1
			be sorted at play	
			park	
Kirkcaldy Area	Burntisland	Links	keep the two play	1
			parks on the Links	
Kirkcaldy Area	Burntisland	no location	There needs to be	3
			more consultation	
			on the strategy	
			proposals in the	
			town	
Kirkcaldy Area	Burntisland	no location	Couldn't find	1
,			proposals for the	
			town.	
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Kirkcaldy Area	Burntisland	no location	Piper Crescent	1
•			needs upgrading	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kinghorn	Nethergate	Praise for the	1
•			refurbishment	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kinghorn	no location	All 6 play parks	1
,			should be kept	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Beveridge Park	Agree this is a	1
	,		destination play	
			park	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Beveridge Park	Play Park needs	2
•	,		upgrading	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Dunnikier Estate	Due to the size of	4
	,		population, there	
			should be a play	
			park in housing	
			estate	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Dunnikier Park	Play Park needs	2 comments
	,		upgrading	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Gallatown park	Anti-social	2
	,	·	behaviour at play	
			park. teenagers	
			and litter ruining	
			park.	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Inchgarvie	Support new play	2
•	,		park here	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Longbraes	Play Park needs	1
	,		upgrading	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Maria Street	Play Park needs	1
-			upgrading	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Newliston &	support strategy	1
		Redcraigs	proposal at	
			Newliston &	
			Redcraigs	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	no location	Provision of play	1
			park is poor in	
			town	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Rabbit Braes	Quad bikes a	1
			problem in	
			greenspace	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Ravenscraig Park	Ravenscraig park	1
		_	should be a	
			destination play	
			aprk	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Ravenscraig Park	Play Park needs	1
			upgrading	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Valley Gardens	There needs to be	1
-			facilties for	
			teenagers in	
			greenspace	
	1	1	19 -1	1

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Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Valley Gardens	litter a problem in	1
,	,	,	greenspace	
Kirkcaldy Area	Kirkcaldy	Wilson Avenue	Wilson Avenue	3
			park and play park	
			are in poor	
			condition and	
			need upgrading.	
Levenmouth	Coaltown of	no location	Maintenance of	2
Levenmouth	Wemyss	no location	play park is poor	_
Levenmouth	East Wemyss	lower end	Maintenance of	1
Levelilloddii	Last Welliyss	lower end	play park is poor	*
Levenmouth	east Wemyss	no location	skate park / bike	1
Leveninouth	east welliyss	110 location	park is needed in	1
			·	
1	F+ \\/	The allessed	village	2
Levenmouth	East Wemyss	The Haugh	save The Haugh	3
Levenmouth	East Wemyss	The Haugh	Play Park needs	1
			upgrading	
Levenmouth	Kennoway	Springbank	Play Park needs	1
			upgrading	
Levenmouth	Leven	Mountfleurie	Play Park needs	3 comments
			upgrading	
Levenmouth	Leven	airplane park	Play Park needs	2
			upgrading	
Levenmouth	Leven	Christie Park	Play Park needs	1
			upgrading	
Levenmouth	Leven	Letham Glen	Play Park needs	1
			upgrading	
Levenmouth	Leven	no location	Maintenance of	1
			play parks is poor	
			in town	
Levenmouth	Leven	no location	Provision of play	2
			park is poor in	
			town	
Levenmouth	Methil	no location	Play Park needs	2
			upgrading in town	
Levenmouth	Methil	Savoy Park	Play Park needs	2
2010		Jan 6, 1 am	upgrading	_
Levenmouth	Methilhill	no location	Play Park needs	1
Levenmoden	TVICETIIIII	110 100011011	upgrading	_
North East Fife	Anstruther	May View	disagree with the	1
. TOTAL EUSET IIC	, monderer	ividy view	proposal	_
North East Fife	Anstruther	no location	maintenance	1
NOTHIE	Austractie	110 location	needs to be	_
			improved of play	
			parks in village	
North East Fife	Anstruther	St Ayles	disagree with the	1
INUITII EAST LIIG	Ansulunei	J. Ayles	_	*
North East Fife	Balmullo	no location	proposal	6
NOTHI East FITE	BalliluliO	no location	Play Park needs	O
			upgrading	

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North East Fife	Balmullo		condition of the	1
			play parks in the	
			village is poor	
North East Fife	Ceres	2 small play parks	condition of the	1
		. , ,	two small play	
			parks in village is	
			poor	
North East Fife	Ceres	Anstruther Road	Play Park needs	1
			upgrading	
North East Fife	Ceres	main	Praise for the	1
			refurbishment of	
			main play park	
North East Fife	Colinsburgh	no location	Play Park needs	1
North East The	Comissargn	no rocation	upgrading	_
North East Fife	Crail	beside St Andrews	disagree with the	1
North East The	Craii	Rd	proposal, this play	_
		Nu	park should be	
			saved	
North East Fife	Crail	hy sehool	Play Park needs	1
NOTHI East File	Craii	by school		1
			upgrading	
North East Fife	Crail	Poomo Pay	comment that play	1
NOTHI East File	Craii	Roome Bay	comment that play	1
			equipment needs	
			to withstand salt	
No all Four Eff.	Carl	D D.	spray	4
North East Fife	Crail	Roome Bay	Play Park needs	1 comment
	_		more equipment	
North East Fife	Cupar	Tarvit Pk	Play Park needs	1
			upgrading	
North East Fife	Elie	Nairn football field	Protect football	2
			field against	
			housing scheme	
North East Fife	Kettle	park	repair slide Kettle	
			park	
North East Fife	Kettlehill	Cathel Sq	Disagree with the	12
			proposal to	
			change this site to	
			a natural play	
			space	
North East Fife	Largoward	no location	Play Park needs	4
			upgrading	
North East Fife	Leuchars	no location	need facilities for	
			teenagers in	
			village	
North East Fife	Pittenweem	Glebe Park	Disagree with the	1
		0.000.011	proposal to	_
			change this site to	
			a natural play	
			space	
			Space	1

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North East Fife	Pittenweem	Glebe Park	Play Park needs	1
			upgrading	
North East Fife	Pittenweem	no location	Support proposals	2
			for village	
North East Fife	Stratheden	no location	Disagree with the	1
			proposal to	
			change this site to	
			a natural play	
			space	
North East Fife	Tayport	Scotsgreen /	Disagree with	
		Crossgreen	categorisation, this	
			should be the	
			town park	
North East Fife	Wormit	Craigshannoch	Disagree with the	3
			proposal to	
			change this site to	
			a natural play	
			space	
South & West Fife	Dalgety Bay	no location	play park provision	1
			is poor in Dalgety	
6 1 6 14 1 5:5	A	CI D I	Bay	
South & West Fife	Aberdour	Shore Road	praise for this play	1
6 1 6 14 1 5:5		1	park	
South & West Fife	Carnock	no location	praise for this play	1
Courth Q Mast Fife	Dolgoty Doy	Lin ala mai al ca mic	park	7
South & West Fife	Dalgety Bay	Inchmickery	disagree with	7 comments
			proposal. No	
South & West Fife	Dalgaty Pay	Moubray Dk	change to this site. disagree with	2
South & West File	Dalgety Bay	Moubray Pk	proposal. This	2
			should not be	
			changed to a local	
			play park .	
South & West Fife	Dalgety Bay	new Harbour Dr	Disagree with	1
Joddi & West inc	Daigety Day	new Harbour Di	proposal. No new	_
			play park here.	
South & West Fife	Dalgety Bay	new shore park	agree with	1
		S park	proposal	_
South & West Fife	Dalgety Bay	no location	need more	1
	3-77		investment in play	
			parks in town	
South & West Fife	Dalgety Bay	no location	play park provision	4
			is poor in Dalgety	
			Bay	
South & West Fife	Dalgety Bay	tyre pk	agree with	1
	_ , ,		proposal	
South & West Fife	N Queensferry	Community Centre	there should be	1
	,	·	more natural play	
			space at site	

Committee Area	Settlement	location	comments	Nr of comments
South & West Fife	N Queensferry	community centre	Play Park needs	1
			upgrading	
South & West Fife	N Queensferry	no location	there needs to be	3
			facilities for	
			teenagers in	
			village	
South & West Fife	North Queensferry	Pierhead	Praise for the	1
			refurbishment of	
			play park	
South & West Fife	Saline	no location	there needs to be	1
			facilities for	
			teenagers in	
			village	
South & West Fife	Saline	no location	the other two	1
			small play parks	
			need refurbished	

4.0 Online discussion

33 comments were made on a Let's talk ... about play spaces discussion page. Link to page https://fif.communitychoices.scot/legislation/processes/2/questions/5

<u>What's your favourite play space, and why is it special? (views from all ages welcome!)</u> 8 comments <u>Comments</u>

- Ravenscraig Park play park , Kirkcaldy needs upgraded
- Involve the community in the design
- Disagree with St Ayles Play Park, Anstruther changing to natural play space in strategy
- Play park, beside school in Crail should be upgraded
- Tayport Common and Tentsmuir great play parks

<u>In what ways is how we use play parks and play spaces changing? What will be needed in the future?</u>

<u>Comments</u>

- Less small scale play parks, more destination play spaces.
- Destination Play parks are good
- Better consultation with communities
- Need inclusive play equipment
- Large scale housing development should have multi-purpose recreation areas
- Communities should take ownership of play parks
- There should be play parks close to people's houses
- The council needs to allocate a suitable budget for maintenance
- Need to protect greenspaces in housing estates, they should not be sold off
- Play parks need to cater for 10-16 year olds

What might we do differently in the future to ensure that we can continue to provide good quality and well maintained play spaces in Fife?

Comments

- Involve schools when upgrading
- Need to cater for teens
- Need a proper budget for maintenance
- Devolve some of the budget to community councils
- Exercise equipment for adults

5.0 Evening meetings

The format of the evening was the same for each meeting.

A presentation was given by a Fife Council on the draft strategy and attendees could ask the officer questions after.

11 th September 2019 - Dunfermline	Discussion points
People attending - 2	 The need to have a good play park at Halbeath by the new community centre Natural play is important.

Wednesday 18th September 2019 –	<u>Discussion points</u>	
Cowdenbeath	 Concerns about loss of greenspace in 	
Attending - 8 people	Crossgates.	
People from Crossgates, Hill of Beath, Crosshill	 Support for the strategy 	
Councillors Cllr Gary Guichan and Cllr Campbell		

Wednesday 2 nd October 2019 – Kirkcaldy	<u>Discussion point</u>
Attending	 Piper Crescent Play Park, Burntisland
Burntisland – 3 people	should be retained.
Burntisland Community Council member	

Wednesday 23rd October 2019 – Kennoway	<u>Discussion point -</u>
Attending	The Haugh Road Play Park in East
Cllr Alexander, Cllr Caldwell	Wemyss should be kept.
East Wemyss - 2 people	

Wednesday 30th October 2019 – Glenrothes

Attending

Cllr Wincott

North Glenrothes Community Council 3 members

Newcastle residents 3 Glenrothes Futures representative 1 other person.

Discussion points -

- Muirfield Drive play park should be kept as an equipped play park.
- Strategy Categorisation good
- Not enough consultation nobody knows about it. Signs should be posted on every play park. All head teachers should be phoned up to highlight the consultation.

Wednesday 6th November 2019 – Rosyth

<u>Attending</u>

Cllr. Andrew Verrecchia, Barrat, Dempsey Dalgety Bay play group, 3 people Take a Pride in Rosyth – 1 person Rosyth Garden City Group – 1 person

Discussion point -

 Dalgety Bay – Residents want to see Inchmickery Play Park kept. Moubray is used for football.

Wednesday 13th November - Pitlessie

Attending

Cllr Andy Heer

Kettle – 3 people

Cupar Community Council – 1 woman

Letham Community Council – one woman

Gateside - one woman

Newburgh Community Council one woman

Discussion point

 Chapel Square, Kettle –the piece of play equipment should be retained at this site. Residents want this turned into play park. Criticism that all investment has been at Kettlebridge Park.

Wednesday 20th November – Tayport

Attending

Cllr Tepp, Cllr Connor

Balmullo - 3 people

Tayport - 3 people

Discussion points

- Balmullo Play Park this needs to be improved
- Tayport Shanwell One person would support this being a natural play space rather than a play park.
- Tayport Scotstarvit change to Scotsgreen. This should be a town play park rather than a local play park.

27 th November Pittenweem	<u>Discussion points</u>
Attending	 At the start of the question and answer,
Cllr Holt	people in Anstruther were concerned
16 people	about removal of toddler play parks.
Pittenween, Anstruther, Colinsburgh	During the discussion, one person
Community Councils.	supported the change of St Ayles to a
West Braes Group	natural play park.

4 th December – High Valleyfield	<u>Discussion point</u>	
Attending	Support for proposals for Torryburn and	
Low Valleyfield – 1 person	Newmills.	

6.0 Other responses

Responses were also received that did not use the online survey or attend the public meetings.

Emails

- Glenrothes Newcastle emails from 6 residents and Newcastle Parent Partnership objected to the Muirfield Dr site being changed to a natural play space
- Glenrothes Newcastle one resident supporting the upgrading of Barnton Place.
- Burntisland Burntisland Community Council chair Piper Crescent should be kept as a play park and not be changed.
- Limekilns, Charlestown & Pattiesmuir Community Council Limekilns Public park Play should be categorised as a destination play park
- Culross Community Council The play park should be categorised as a destination play park.

Meetings

- Burntisland Community Council meeting
- Anstruther Community Council
- North Glenrothes Community Council

Phone calls

• Cupar – Kinloss Park - Fife Council Housing Officer – the play park should be retained as it is used by children in neighbourhood.

Groups carrying out consultation

• Dalgety Bay – Dalgety Play parks community group, had a stall at the town gala. They displayed the play strategy maps for the town. They said they were well received.



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