

East Lothian Play Sufficiency Assessment

Appendix 1:

Report of Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA including by Community Council Area



Neilson Park Play Area, Haddington

1 Consultation Responses Part 1:

Findings on the Overall Draft East Lothian Play Sufficiency Assessment

The public consultation survey on the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment for East Lothian took place from 2nd October 2023 to 13th November 2023.

291 responses were received to this survey.

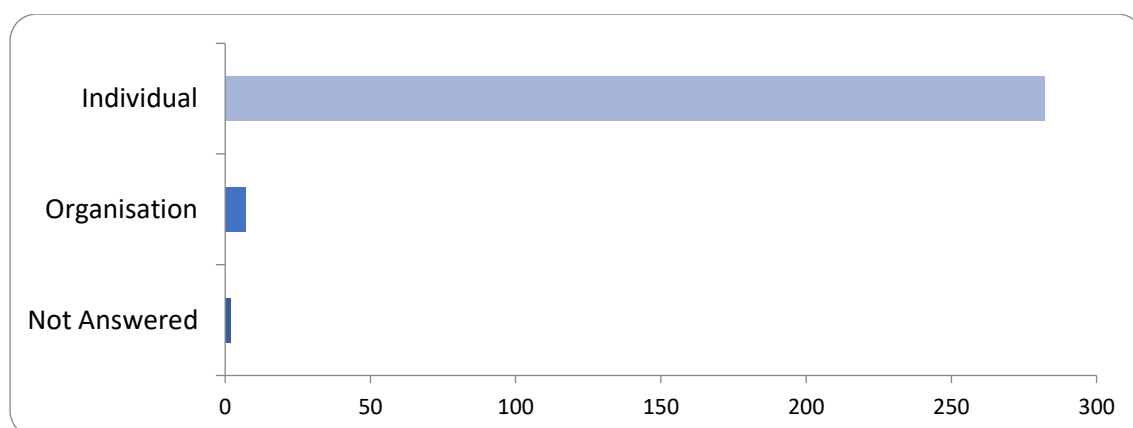
The findings from the public consultation survey on the Draft PSA are set out below:

Findings from the Public Consultation on the Overall Draft East Lothian Play Sufficiency Assessment:

Question 1: Are you responding as an individual or on behalf of an organisation?

Type of consultee

There were 289 responses to this question. The majority of respondents (282) were individuals, with 7 stating they were responding on behalf of an organisation. The detailed results were as follows:



Option	Total	Percent
Individual	282	96.91%
Organisation	7	2.41%
Not Answered	2	0.69%

Question 2: If you are responding on behalf of an organisation please tell us more about your organisation

Please state the name of your organisation

There were 7 responses to this question. The organisations represented were:

- S.T.A.N.D.
- 1st Aberlady Scout Group
- Dunbar Shore and Harbour Neighbourhood Group
- New Winton

- Dunpender Community Council
- PhD student at Queen Margaret University and University College Cork (P4PLAY)
- New Winton Community Association

Question 3: Overall would you agree with the key positive messages included in this part of the report?

Key Positive Messages

East Lothian has 121 Council owned and managed formal outdoor play spaces distributed across the entirety of the local authority area.

Most residents in the six largest settlements have at least one formal outdoor play space within a 5-minute walk.

East Lothian provides a wealth of informal outdoor play opportunities across a wide range of natural settings.

East Lothian's formal outdoor play spaces are clean and well maintained.

Most formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian are attractive sites with natural features such as trees, bushes or shrubs.

Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian provide welcoming and safe play environments with a variety of general play opportunities.

Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian provide a good range of opportunities for physical play, particularly for younger children.

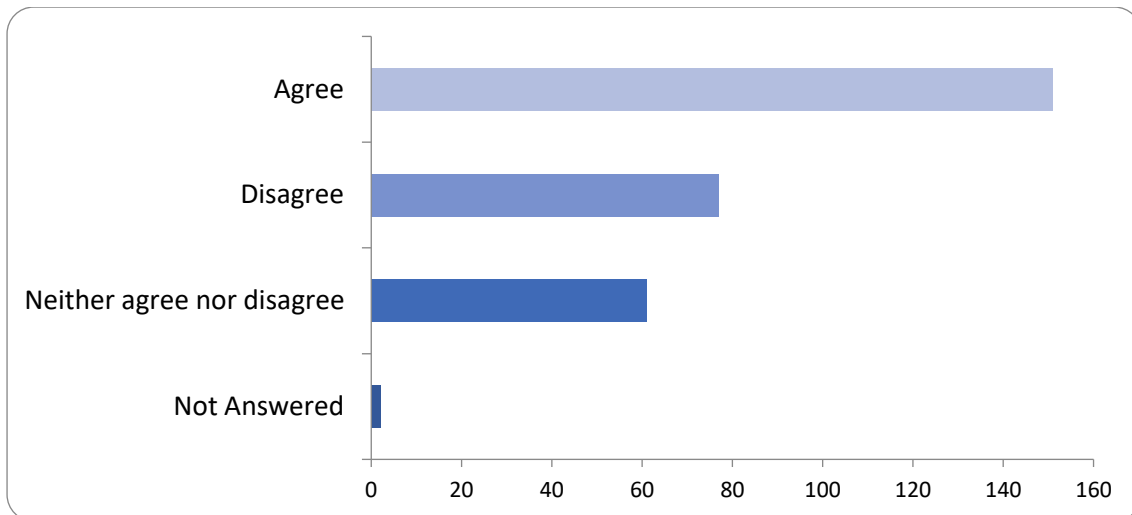
Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian offer a range of opportunities for younger children to take risks and experience adventurous play.

Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian provide a good range of opportunities for younger children to engage in social play.

East Lothian provides a good range of informal outdoor play opportunities in a range of natural and green spaces.

Key positive messages

There were 289 responses to this question. The majority of respondents (52%) agreed with the key positive messages in the Draft East Lothian Play Sufficiency Assessment. The detailed results were as follows:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	151	51.89%
Disagree	77	26.46%
Neither agree nor disagree	61	20.96%
Not Answered	2	0.69%

Question 4: From the identified key development messages please select all that you agree with.

Key Development Messages

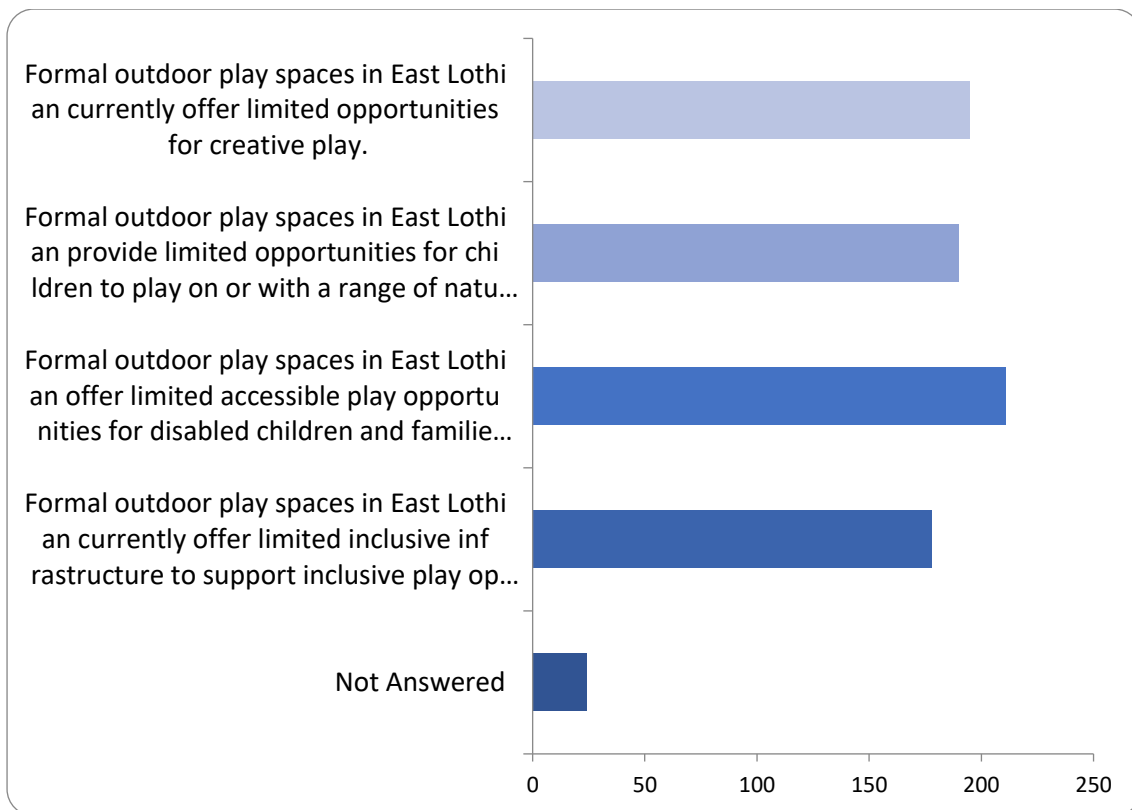
- Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian currently offer limited opportunities for creative play.**
- Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian provide limited opportunities for children to play on or with a range of natural resources within the boundary of the play space.**
- Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian offer limited accessible play opportunities for disabled children and families.**
- Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian currently offer limited inclusive infrastructure to support inclusive play opportunities.**

Key Development Messages

There were 267 responses to this question. A majority of respondents (at least 61% of respondents) agreed with each of the four key development messages in the Draft East Lothian Play Sufficiency Assessment.

Respondents particularly agreed with the statement: *“Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian offer limited accessible play opportunities for disabled children and families”* (73% of respondents) and with the statement: *“Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian currently offer limited opportunities for creative play”* (67% of respondents).

The detailed results were as follows:



Option	Total	Percent
Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian currently offer limited opportunities for creative play.	195	67.01%
Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian provide limited opportunities for children to play on or with a range of natural resources within the boundary of the play space.	190	65.29%
Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian offer limited accessible play opportunities for disabled children and families.	211	72.51%
Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian currently offer limited inclusive infrastructure to support inclusive play opportunities.	178	61.17%
Not Answered	24	8.25%

Question 5: The following recommendations are intended to provide focus for future investment in play provision, where future funding opportunities would make this possible.

Please select any recommendations that you agree with.

Key Recommendations

The PSA identified that there is an excellent quantity of play provision in East Lothian, and a good range of physical and risky play opportunities. The PSA identified important ways to strengthen the quality and accessibility of play opportunities in East Lothian where future funding opportunities would make this possible. The following recommendations are intended to provide focus for future investment in play provision.

The quality and range of play opportunities in East Lothian could be improved through:

- Increasing opportunities for sensory, creative and nature-based play
- Increasing all play opportunities for the 12-17 year old groups
- Increasing opportunities for calm, quiet play
- Increasing opportunities for social play
- Increasing ‘hang out’ spaces for the 12-17 year old age groups

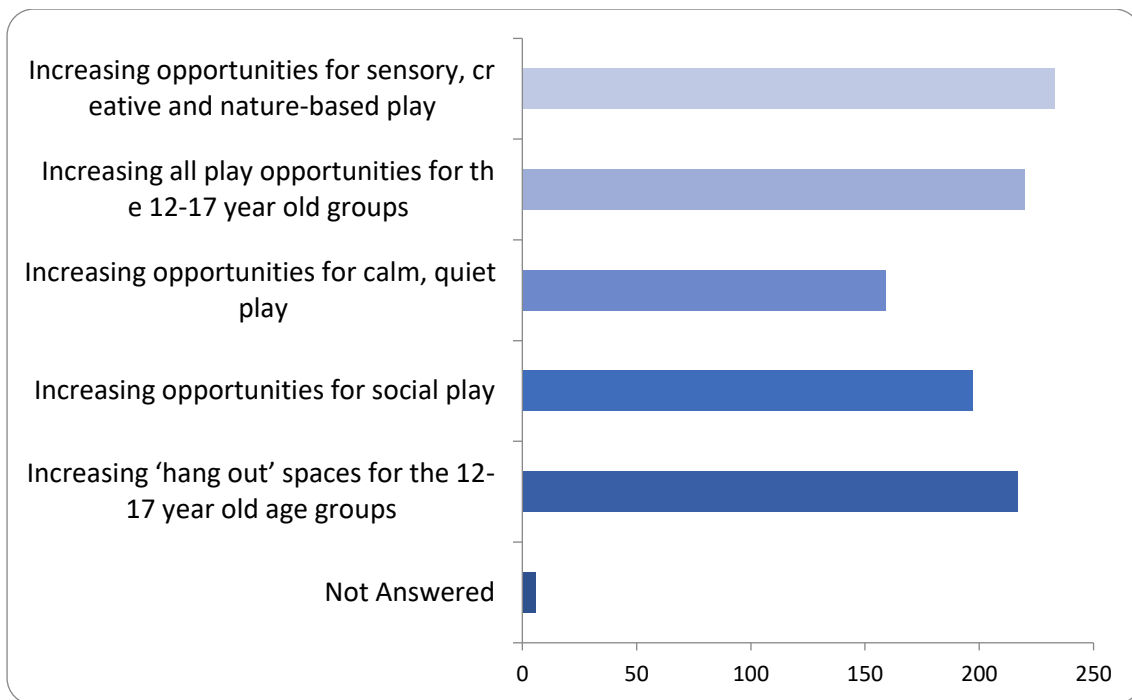
Recommendations (quality and range of play opportunities)

There were 285 responses to this question. A majority of respondents (at least 55% of respondents) agreed with each of the five key recommendations for the quality and range of play opportunities in East Lothian in the Draft East Lothian Play Sufficiency Assessment.

Respondents particularly agreed with the statement: *“Increasing opportunities for sensory, creative and nature-based play”* (80% of respondents) and with the statements: *“Increasing all play opportunities for the 12-17 year old groups”* (76% of respondents), and: *“Increasing ‘hang out’ spaces for the 12-17 year old age groups”* (75% of respondents).

Clearly a focus on increasing opportunities for **sensory, creative and nature-based play**, and **increasing play and hang-out spaces for older children aged 12 to 17**, are key recommendations particularly supported by our communities.

The detailed results were as follows:



Option	Total	Percent
Increasing opportunities for sensory, creative and nature-based play	233	80.07%
Increasing all play opportunities for the 12-17 year old groups	220	75.60%
Increasing opportunities for calm, quiet play	159	54.64%
Increasing opportunities for social play	197	67.70%
Increasing 'hang out' spaces for the 12-17 year old age groups	217	74.57%
Not Answered	6	2.06%

Question 6: Our draft PSA indicates that accessibility and inclusion of play opportunities in East Lothian could be improved through the following actions, where future funding opportunities would make this possible. Please select any actions which you agree with:

Accessibility and inclusion of play opportunities in East Lothian could be improved through:

- Increasing the variety of play space surfaces
- Including a wider variety of inclusive fixed equipment
- Increasing opportunities for social, sensory, creative, and natural play
- Integrating inclusive play opportunities into the main play space
- Including features to support play for children with a wider variety of disabilities
- Improving safe, accessible routes into play spaces
- Embedding lived experience into play space design

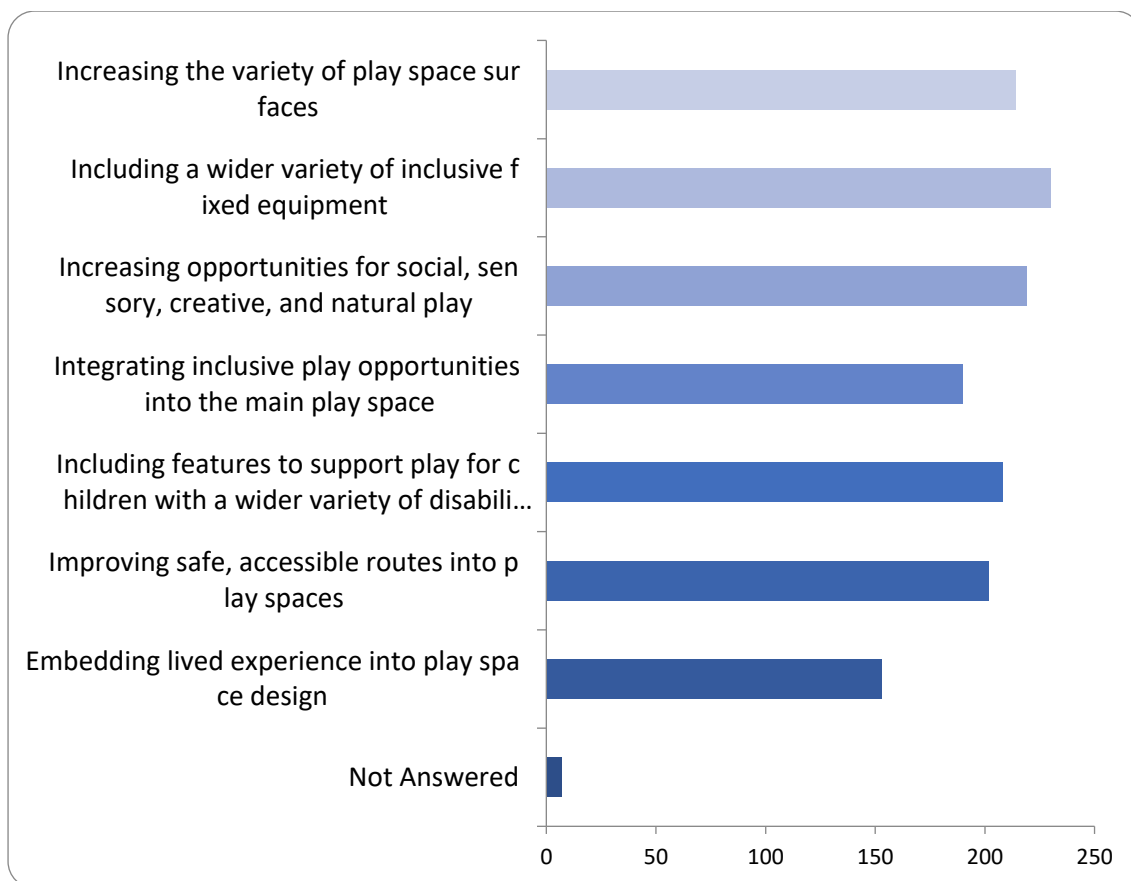
Recommendations (accessibility and inclusion)

There were 284 responses to this question. A majority of respondents (at least 53% of respondents) agreed with each of the seven key recommendations for the accessibility and inclusion of play opportunities in East Lothian in the Draft East Lothian Play Sufficiency Assessment.

Respondents particularly agreed with the statement: *“Including a wider variety of inclusive fixed equipment”* (79% of respondents) and with the statements: *“Increasing opportunities for social, sensory, creative, and natural play”* (75% of respondents), and: *“Increasing the variety of play space surfaces”* (74% of respondents).

Clearly a focus on including a **wider variety of inclusive fixed equipment**, increasing opportunities for **social, sensory, creative, and natural play**, and **increasing the variety of play space surfaces**, are key recommendations particularly supported by our communities, although most key recommendations in this category were strongly supported.

The detailed results were as follows:



Option	Total	Percent
Increasing the variety of play space surfaces	214	73.54%
Including a wider variety of inclusive fixed equipment	230	79.04%
Increasing opportunities for social, sensory, creative, and natural play	219	75.26%
Integrating inclusive play opportunities into the main play space	190	65.29%
Including features to support play for children with a wider variety of disabilities	208	71.48%
Improving safe, accessible routes into play spaces	202	69.42%
Embedding lived experience into play space design	153	52.58%
Not Answered	7	2.41%

Question 7: Would you like to make other comments on the above development messages or recommendations?

Please provide any further comments

There were 134 responses to this question.

In general, the responses reiterated the points identified by Play Scotland during the Play Sufficiency Assessment process and reported in the Draft PSA. The majority of the responses agreed with the

development messages and recommendations on quality and range of play opportunities, accessibility and inclusion.

Many respondents also took the opportunity when responding to this question to provide their views on their local play areas, and comment on specific play spaces that are either insufficient and inadequate or a good example of a play space in their opinion. Many of the respondents were parents or carers with experience of taking children to the play areas, and were giving their informed view of how they and the children and young people experienced and interacted with the play spaces.

Responses relating to specific named play areas agreed with the findings of Part 2 of this public consultation on the quantity and quality of play spaces by specific Community Council Area, which are reported below in Part 2.

Comments received in response to this question included the following main points:

- Opportunities for play and hang-out spaces for older children and teenagers are limited, with respondents suggesting more challenging and risky play opportunities, outdoor gym equipment, and other play experiences such as skate parks for older children and teens.
- Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian offer limited accessible play opportunities for disabled children and families, with some respondents commenting that there are no fully inclusive play areas in East Lothian. Comments included ensuring that inclusivity is considered when constructing and maintaining play areas.
- Woodchip surfacing in play areas is inaccessible to some users (including disabled parents/carers), particularly wheelchair users and buggies, with requests received to reduce the areas surfaced with woodchip.
- Formal outdoor play spaces in East Lothian currently offer limited inclusive infrastructure to support inclusive play opportunities.
- Specific inclusive items that respondents felt were missing included wheelchair accessible swings, and comments were received that the range of play equipment suitable for children with Additional Support Needs (ASN) was inadequate. Suggestions for improvements included communication boards, covered/shelter areas, sensory garden, climbing and spinning equipment, for example, to enhance the play experience for children with autism.
- The community consultation identified that more play opportunities were needed for girls, and several respondents highlighted the examples from the organisation 'Make Space for Girls' as good examples.
- Increasing opportunities for intergenerational use of play spaces was mentioned, including more seating / benches to enable parents, carers and grandparents to enjoy the play spaces more.
- More nature-based play opportunities were mentioned, including making better use of the natural landscape, tree/orchard planting and water play.
- Ormiston Park was highlighted as the best example of a play space in East Lothian, with respondents saying this should be replicated around East Lothian. Musselburgh Links (Fisherrow) play area and the new play area for older children in Lewisvale Park, Musselburgh, were also mentioned as positive examples.
- The importance of consultation with local communities was highlighted to explore what is required, including ensuring that play opportunities are co-created alongside the children and their families and community members.

- There was a view in some areas that play areas are poorly maintained, dirty and repairs take time. Anti-social behaviour issues were mentioned as impacting on some play spaces.
- Several respondents said that in their view formal play areas should be fenced. The reasons included to improve the play experience for children with special needs and their parents/carers, the perception of safety, and dogs.
- Strong feedback was received in relation to dogs in play areas, with many respondents saying that dogs in play areas are a significant problem, particularly in relation to dog fouling, but also in intimidating behaviour of dogs causing alarm to others in the play area.
- Comments included that there is no mention in the Draft PSA of maintenance, affordability, sustainability or incremental improvements.
- Lack of knowledge of where the play areas are located was mentioned, with a suggestion to publish a map or create an app showing where all the play parks are in East Lothian.
- The comments received also identified issues with play provision for some specific areas around the county in particular:
 - North-eastern Tranent (north of the main street, around the Sanderson's Wynd – Lindores Drive area of Tranent): the consultation feedback highlighted a shortfall in play provision in this area, with insufficient formal play spaces.
 - Prestonpans, where the existing provision was felt to be inadequate by some respondents due to anti-social behaviour issues, which were intimidating to others including families, deterring some from playing there.
 - Areas of Cockenzie and Port Seton, including some of the smaller play areas near the waterfront and the provision at King George V Park, which were felt to be inadequate by several respondents.
 - Haddington Artillery Park area, where respondents commented that the small play areas there were of poor quality / poorer provision than in the larger town parks.
 - West Barns and New Winton play areas were also identified by the local communities as particular priorities for improvement and upgrading.
 - Detailed comments on specific play areas are included in the report of consultation responses by Community Council Area below in Part 2.

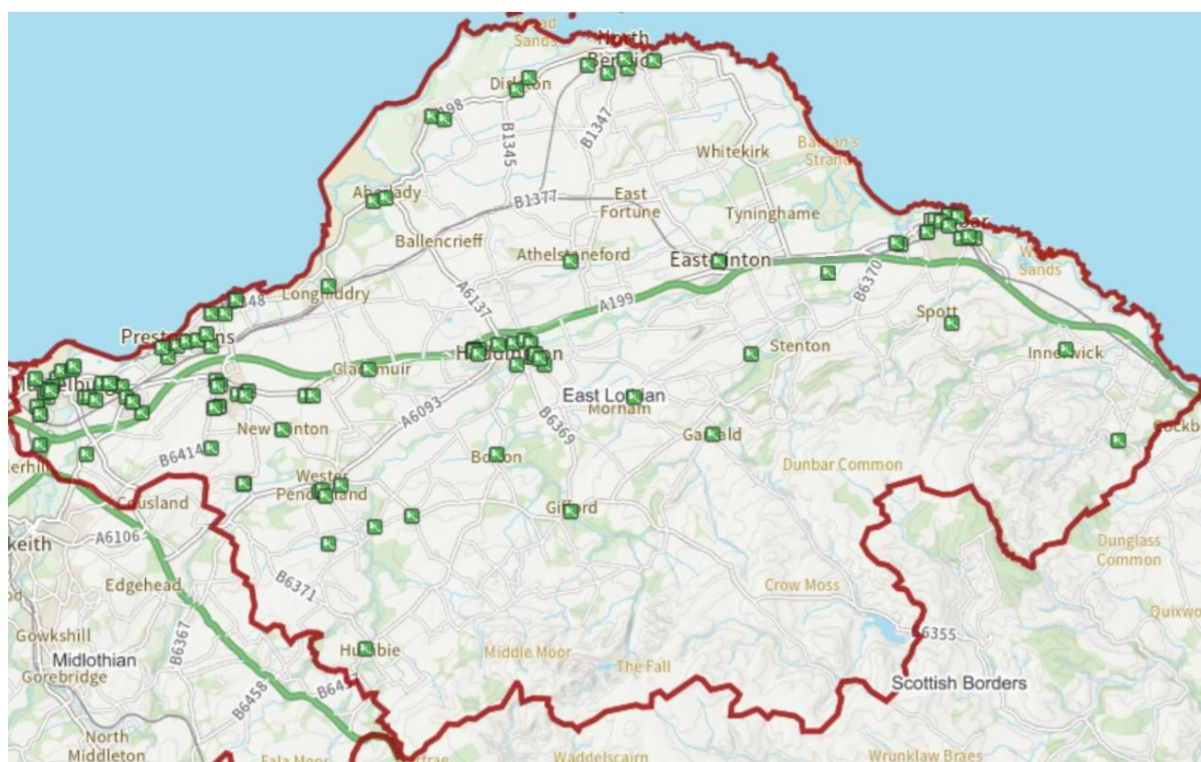
2 Consultation Responses Part 2:

Quantity and Quality of Play Spaces by Community Council Area

East Lothian has 121 Council owned or managed formal outdoor play spaces. Figure 1 below illustrates the location of all these formal outdoor play spaces across the East Lothian authority area. There is a good distribution of formal outdoor play spaces across the local authority relative to the size of the settlements.

Every formal outdoor play space in East Lothian was assessed for the quality of play opportunities. This included assessment of the play environment and play space features via the Play Space Survey. The Play Opportunities Survey provided a detailed assessment of the types of play opportunities provided within each play space across four key age ranges (0-4, 5-11, 12-15, 16-17 years). Each individual piece of fixed equipment within each play space was included in the assessment. In total, 889 pieces of fixed equipment were assessed. On average there were seven pieces of fixed equipment per play space, although most play spaces have between four and ten pieces of equipment. Three play spaces have 20 or more pieces of fixed equipment.

Figure 1: East Lothian Authority Area Map Identifying All Council Managed Formal Outdoor Play Spaces



Section 2 of this report focuses on quantity and quality of formal outdoor spaces in all 20 Community Council areas:

- 2.1 Cockenzie and Port Seton Community Council Area
- 2.2 Dunbar Community Council Area
- 2.3 Dunpender Community Council Area (East Linton, Whittingehame)
- 2.4 East Lammermuir Community Council Area
- 2.5 Garvald and Morham Community Council Area
- 2.6 Gifford Community Council Area
- 2.7 Gullane Area Community Council Area
- 2.8 Haddington District Community Council Area
- 2.9 Humble, East and West Saltoun and Bolton Community Council Area
- 2.10 Longniddry Community Council Area
- 2.11 Macmerry and Gladsmuir Community Council Area
- 2.12 Musselburgh and Inveresk Community Council Area
- 2.13 North Berwick Community Council Area
- 2.14 Ormiston Community Council Area
- 2.15 Pencaitland Community Council Area
- 2.16 Prestonpans Community Council Area
- 2.17 Tranent and Elphinstone Community Council Area
- 2.18 Wallyford Community Council Area
- 2.19 West Barns Community Council Area
- 2.20 Whitecraig Community Council Area

2.1 Cockenzie and Port Seton Community Council Area

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are eight council-owned formal play spaces in Cockenzie and Port Seton. Two spaces are small neighbourhood play spaces, five are larger neighbourhood play spaces, and one space is a specific interest play space*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range and are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in Cockenzie and Port Seton provide a wide range of opportunities for physical, risky and social play, although opportunities for creative and nature-based play are more limited. King George V play space provides a wide range of play opportunities across the full age range and includes both a toddler area and skate park. The formal play spaces in Cockenzie and Port Seton currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Goolwa Park	Small neighbourhood play space	0-15 years
King George V Older Children Play Space	Larger neighbourhood play space	5-17 years
King George V Toddler Park	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-4 years
King George V Park Skate Park	Specific interest play space	5-17 years
Long Craigs	Small neighbourhood play space	0-4 years
Promenade	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
South Seton Park	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-4 years
Whin Park	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-15 years

* Defined as:

- Small neighbourhood play space is a play space with 0-3 pieces of formal play equipment.
- Larger neighbourhood play space is a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.
- Specific interest play space is a play space with one large piece of equipment, for example a Multi-Use Game Area (MUGA), skate ramp, pump track or football pitch.

Figure 2: Prestonpans, Cockenzie and Port Seton Map of Walking Distances to Formal Outdoor Play Spaces



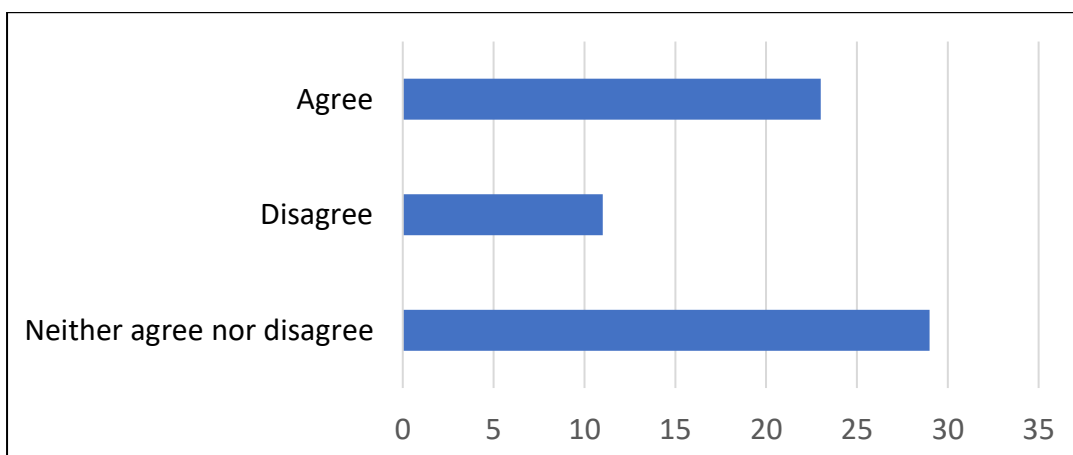
Green shading	5-minute walk
Orange shading	10-minute walk
Pink shading	15-minute walk

Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: “Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”, there were 63 responses.

The majority of respondents agreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for the Cockenzie and Port Seton Community Council Area, with a large proportion neither agreeing nor disagreeing.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	23	36.5%
Disagree	11	17.5%
Neither agree nor disagree	29	46.0%
Total	63	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 15 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- The play area in King George V Park is poorly laid out, with the separate toddler and older children’s area making it difficult for parents/carers to supervise children of different ages, and the older children’s play area does not have an accessible path to reach it as it is situated on grass.
- There is a poor range of play equipment for children with disabilities.
- Some respondents felt there is inadequate play equipment for young children aged under 2 years old.
- Maintenance of the play areas and concerns over safety were mentioned by some respondents as problems with these play areas.
- Overall there were comments that the play areas require upgrading, with a wider range of play equipment and to be more inclusive and accessible.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 14 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- Priorities for improvement/upgrading are King George V Park play areas and Promenade play area.
- Positive feedback was received about Goolwa Park although there was mention of problems with anti-social behaviour. It was felt that Goolwa Park play area could be improved by providing better play equipment, particularly for older children up to age 15.
- In general a better variety of play equipment and improving inclusive play equipment for all abilities including disabilities were highlighted.
- Seating was requested particularly at King George V Park.
- Fencing was suggested to improve safety.
- Improving maintenance of the play areas was mentioned.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Cockenzie and Port Seton Community Council Area. However, the public consultation responses notably differed from Play Scotland’s observations in the Draft PSA particularly around maintenance of the play areas. All of the council’s play areas are subject to an ongoing and continual safety inspection and maintenance regime. Older play equipment can appear ‘dirty’ due to weathering although the equipment is still safe to use.

There was agreement with the findings from the Draft PSA that the formal play spaces in Cockenzie and Port Seton currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

2.2 Dunbar Community Council Area

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are ten council-owned formal play spaces in Dunbar. One space is a small neighbourhood play space, six are larger neighbourhood play spaces, two are destination play spaces, and one space is a specific interest play space*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range and are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in Dunbar provide a wide range of opportunities for physical, risky and social play, although opportunities for creative and nature-based play are more limited. Play opportunities for older children are more limited, although Pine Street provides opportunities for the full age range, including a skate park and MUGA. Bleachingfield play space offers some accessible play opportunities for disabled children and families, although the range of accessible and inclusive play opportunities in Dunbar remains limited.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Beachmont Place	Small neighbourhood play space	0-4 years
Bleachingfield	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
East Beach Dunbar	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Lauderdale Park	Destination play space	0-15 years
Lochend Road Play Area	Destination play space	0-15 years
Parsons Pool	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Pine Street	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Pine Street Skate Park, MUGA and shelter	Specific interest play space	5-17 years
Queen's Place	Larger neighbourhood play space	5-15 years
Wingate Crescent	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years

* Defined as:

- *Small neighbourhood play space is a play space with 0-3 pieces of formal play equipment.*
- *Larger neighbourhood play space is a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.*
- *Destination play space is a play space with 14 or more pieces of formal play equipment.*
- *Specific interest play space is a play space with one large piece of equipment, for example a Multi-Use Game Area (MUGA), skate ramp, pump track or football pitch.*

Figure 3: Dunbar Map of Walking Distances to Formal Outdoor Play Spaces



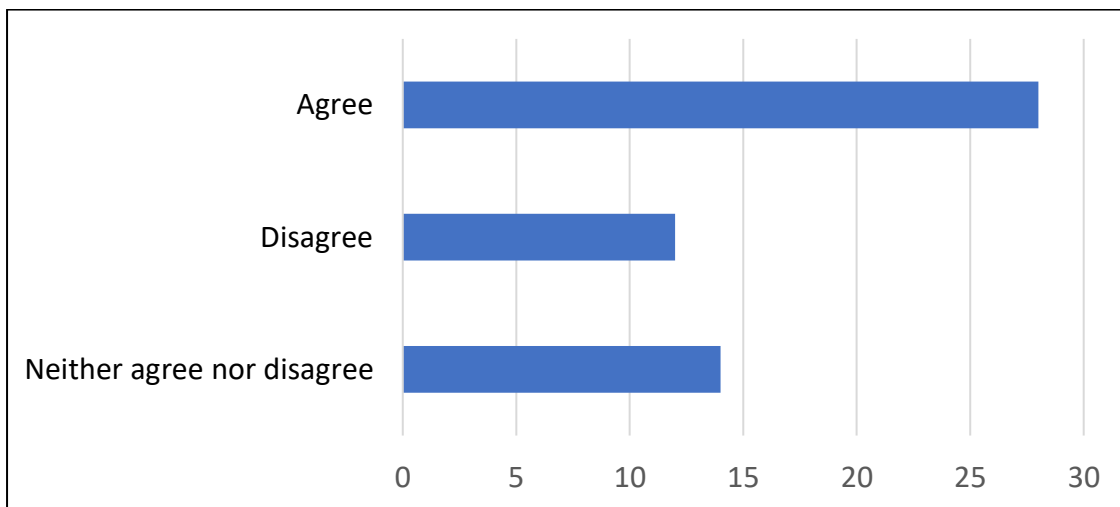
Green shading	5-minute walk
Orange shading	10-minute walk
Pink shading	15-minute walk

Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: “Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”, there were 54 responses.

A significant majority of respondents agreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for Dunbar Community Council Area.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	28	51.9%
Disagree	12	22.2%
Neither agree nor disagree	14	25.9%
Total	54	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 14 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- Several comments relate to the privately owned and managed play areas in Dunbar, particularly in the newer housing areas on the south side of Dunbar and in the Hallhill area.
- Some respondents mentioned that play opportunities for older children are limited, and that the Pine Street play area and skatepark could do with improving or upgrading for older children.
- Comments were received that none of the play areas are fully accessible for disabled children or children with sensory needs.
- Lochend woods and beaches were mentioned as other places for outdoor play.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 22 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- Upgrade / improve Pine Street play area.
- Several respondents requested improved provision / resources for teenagers, such as pump track or improved skatepark or other hang-out space, and mentioned regular disturbances currently caused by teenagers particularly around Lochend Park.
- Improve accessibility for disabled and ASN children and improve inclusion of the play areas, such as including a wheelchair-accessible swing. Bleachingfield in particular could be fully inclusive. The play area surfaces should be more inclusive.
- Significant concern was raised about private play areas and developers neglecting the ongoing upkeep and maintenance, as well as questioning the policy of small play areas in housing developments.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Dunbar Community Council Area. There was agreement with the findings from the Draft PSA that although there is provision for age range 0 – 17, the facilities for older children are limited and could be improved. There was agreement with the findings from the Draft PSA that there is a limited range of accessible and inclusive play opportunities in Dunbar, and this is an area for improvement – Bleachingfield play space offers opportunities.

Privately owned/managed play areas were highlighted as an area of concern or inadequate by several respondents. These are not council owned or managed and were therefore not assessed as part of the PSA detailed assessment process. We have now included these in the mapping.

2.3 Dunpender Community Council Area (East Linton, Whittingehame)

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are three council-owned formal play spaces in Dunpender. One space is a small neighbourhood play space, one is a larger neighbourhood play spaces, and one space is a specific interest play space*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range and are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in Dunpender provide a wide range of opportunities for physical, risky and social play, although opportunities for creative and nature-based play are more limited. East Linton play space provides a wide range of play opportunities across the full age range, including a skate park suitable for older age ranges. The skate park in East Linton is accessible for children with physical disabilities, although the range and type of play opportunities offered is limited. Overall, the range of accessible and inclusive play opportunities for disabled children and families in Dunpender is limited.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
East Linton Play Space	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
East Linton Skate Park	Specific interest play space	0-17 years
Whittingehame	Small neighbourhood play space	0-11 years

* Defined as:

- *Small neighbourhood play space is a play space with 0-3 pieces of formal play equipment.*
- *Larger neighbourhood play space is a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.*
- *Specific interest play space is a play space with one large piece of equipment, for example a Multi-Use Game Area (MUGA), skate ramp, pump track or football pitch.*

Figure 4: Dunpender Community Council Formal Outdoor Play Spaces

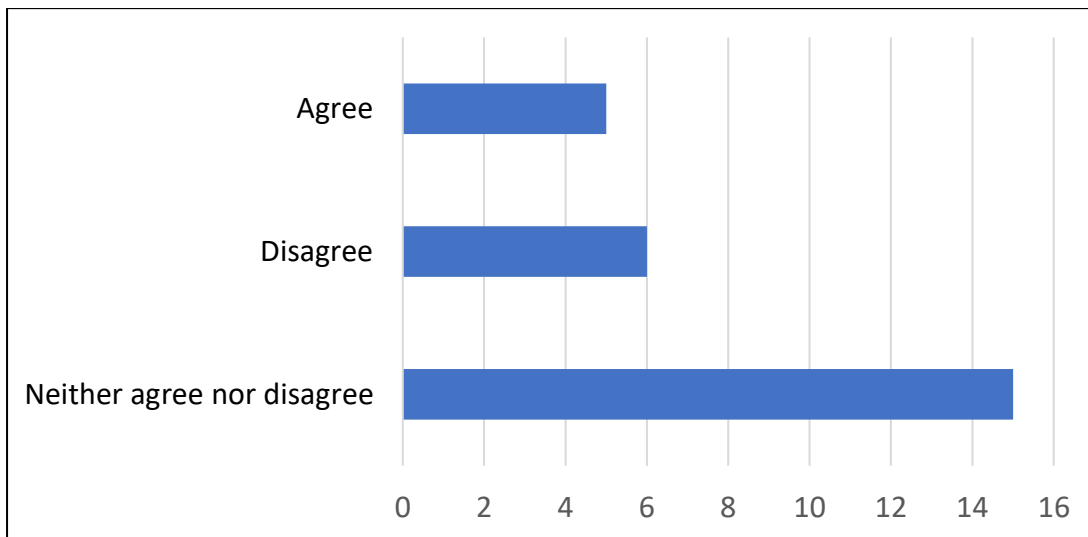


Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: “Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”, there were 26 responses.

Similar numbers of respondents agreed as disagreed with this question for the Dunpender Community Council Area, although numbers are small with slightly more saying they disagreed and a majority neither agreeing nor disagreeing.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	5	19.2%
Disagree	6	23.1%
Neither agree nor disagree	15	57.7%
Total	26	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 6 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- Feedback about play areas in East Linton was generally negative, with respondents highlighting that the play area and skatepark are inadequate and in need of upgrade, and questioning what will happen to the S75 funds allocated for improving this play area.
- Respondents felt the current play equipment and capacity of the East Linton play areas are inadequate for the numbers using them, and that accessibility and inclusion should be improved.
- One respondent said that not enough detail was provided in the Draft PSA consultation.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 7 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- There was general consensus that the priorities are a wider variety of play equipment for children of all ages and abilities, including children with physical and sensory disabilities.
- Current play capacity is not sufficient and play areas should be expanded.
- Improve / replace the skatepark and build a pump track.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, although a majority of respondents to the public consultation said they either disagreed with, or neither agreed or disagreed with, the Draft PSA assessment for Dunpender Community Council Area, most of the comments received concurred with the Draft PSA findings. There was general agreement that the range of accessible and inclusive play opportunities for disabled children and families in Dunpender is limited.

An additional concern highlighted in the public consultation is that capacity of the current play areas in East Linton is not sufficient for the numbers using them.

2.4 East Lammermuir Community Council Area

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are four council-owned formal play spaces in East Lammermuir. All four spaces are larger neighbourhood play spaces*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range and are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in East Lammermuir provide a wide range of opportunities for physical, risky and social play, although opportunities for creative and nature-based play are more limited. The formal play spaces in East Lammermuir currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Innerwick Play Area	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Oldhamstocks	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Spott	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Stenton	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years

* Larger neighbourhood play space is defined as a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.

Figure 5: East Lammermuir Community Council Formal Outdoor Play Spaces

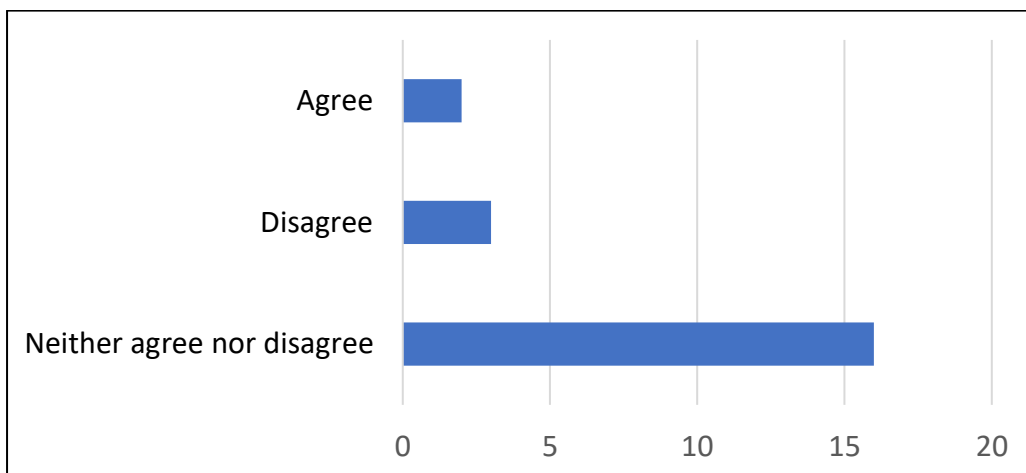


Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: “Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”, there were 21 responses.

Similar numbers of respondents agreed as disagreed with this question for East Lammermuir Community Council Area, although numbers are very small with slightly more saying they disagreed and the majority of respondents neither agreeing nor disagreeing.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	2	9.5%
Disagree	3	14.3%
Neither agree nor disagree	16	76.2%
Total	21	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 2 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- One respondent highlighted that the play area in Innerwick is inadequate and this play space could be expanded and developed for the local community.
- A comment was received that the levels of accessible and inclusive play in this area are not good enough.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**

There were 4 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- These quieter villages have the potential for improvements to the play spaces for all abilities, such as creating sensory areas, having more inclusive play equipment for disabilities, and having fencing to benefit special needs groups in particular.
- Innerwick play area could be improved and enhanced with more play equipment for all age groups.
- The play area in Stenton is limited and in poor repair.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, although a majority of respondents to the public consultation said they either disagreed with, or neither agreed or disagreed with, the Draft PSA assessment for East Lammermuir Community Council Area, most of the comments received concurred with the Draft PSA findings.

There was agreement with the findings from the Draft PSA that the formal play spaces in the East Lammermuir villages currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families, and this is an area that could be improved.

2.5 Garvald and Morham Community Council Area

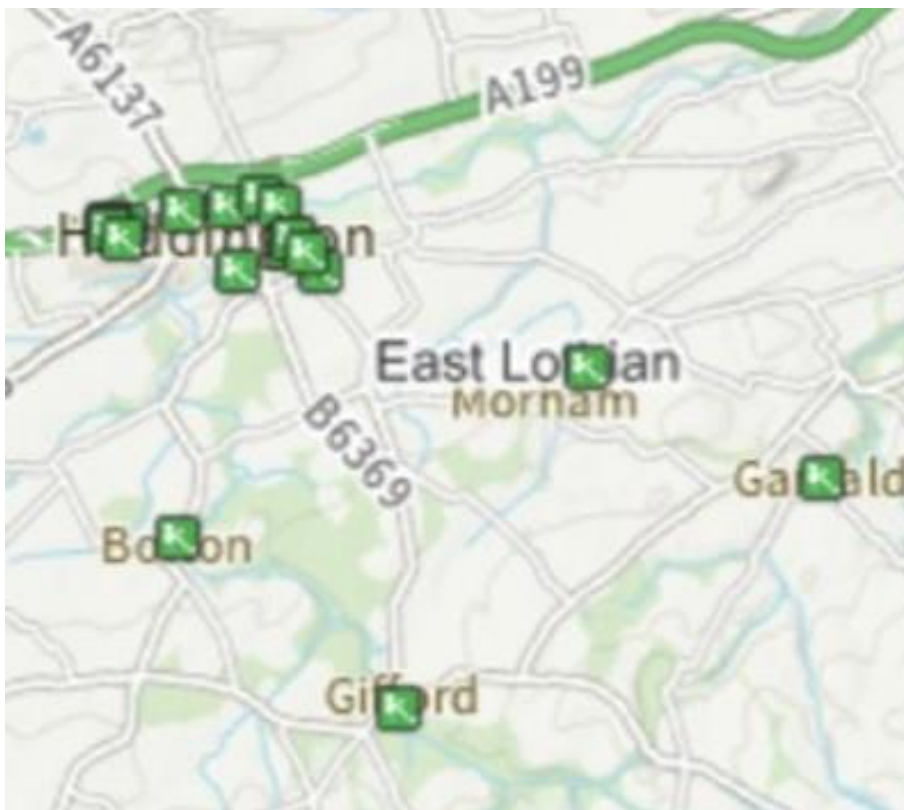
Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are two council-owned formal play spaces in Garvald and Morham. Both spaces are larger neighbourhood play spaces*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range and are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in Garvald and Morham provide a wide range of opportunities for physical, risky, social and nature-based play, although opportunities for creative play are more limited. Neither play space offers play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Garvald Play Area	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Morham Play Area	Larger neighbourhood play space	5-17 years

* Larger neighbourhood play space is defined as a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.

Figure 6: Garvald and Morham Community Council Formal Outdoor Play Spaces

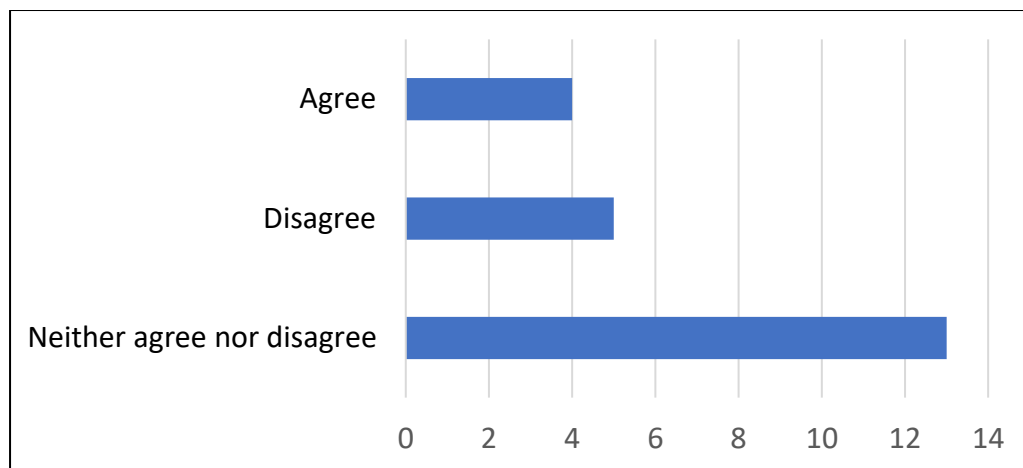


Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: **“Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”**, there were 22 responses.

Similar numbers of respondents agreed as disagreed with this question for Garvald and Morham Community Council Area, although numbers are very small with slightly more saying they disagreed and the majority of respondents neither agreeing nor disagreeing.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	4	18.2%
Disagree	5	22.7%
Neither agree nor disagree	13	59.1%
Total	22	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 4 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- Respondents said that Garvald play area is in need of upgrading, including improving accessible and inclusive play, and there are opportunities in the wider Garvald Park for nature-based play. There were concerns that this play area is not well maintained and confusion over who owns and manages this play area.
- One respondent said that East Saltoun play area is poor and would benefit from improvement and expansion.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 5 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- Garvald play area would benefit from improvement, particularly to accessibility (including improving safety at the main access gate) and by having more accessible and inclusive play equipment, more opportunities for social play for all ages including nature-based play, sensory areas and social areas, or more equipment for older children.
- East Saltoun play area would benefit from improvement and expansion, including accessible and inclusive play equipment.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Garvald and Morham Community Council Area. The public consultation responses reiterated the findings from the Draft PSA that the formal play spaces in this area currently offer limited opportunities for creative play and minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families, and these would be areas of focus for improvements.

2.6 Gifford Community Council Area

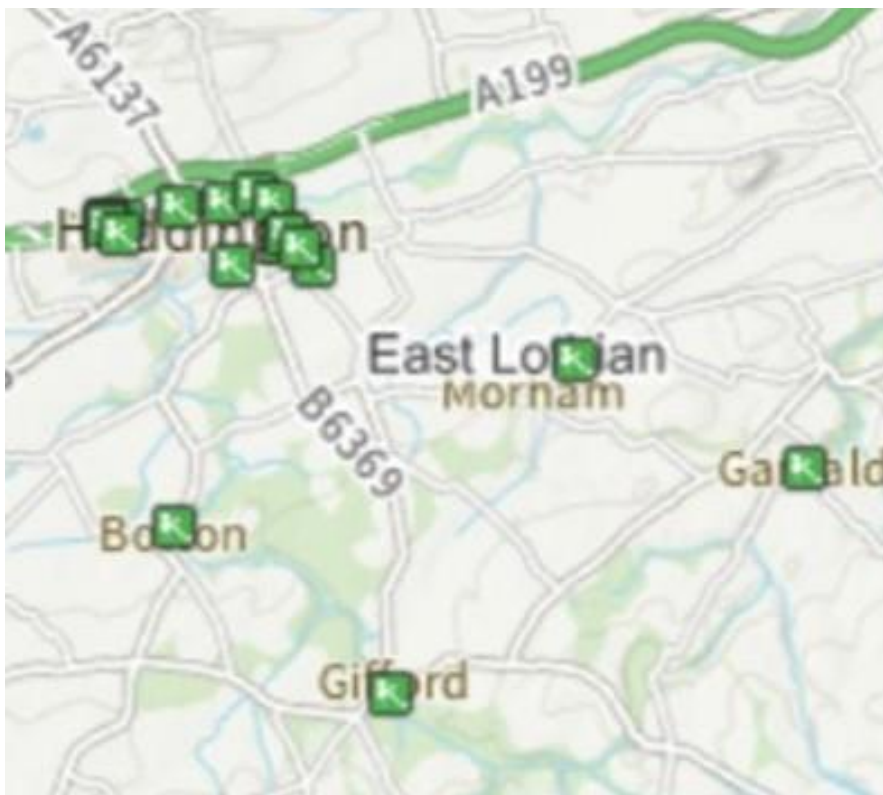
Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are two council-owned formal play spaces in Gifford. One space is a larger neighbourhood play space and the other a destination play space*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range and are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in Gifford provide a wide range of opportunities for physical, risky, social and nature-based play, although opportunities for creative play are more limited. Neither play space offers play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Gifford Play Park	Destination play space	0-17 years
Walden Terrace	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years

* Larger neighbourhood play space is defined as a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.

Figure 7: Gifford Community Council Formal Outdoor Play Spaces

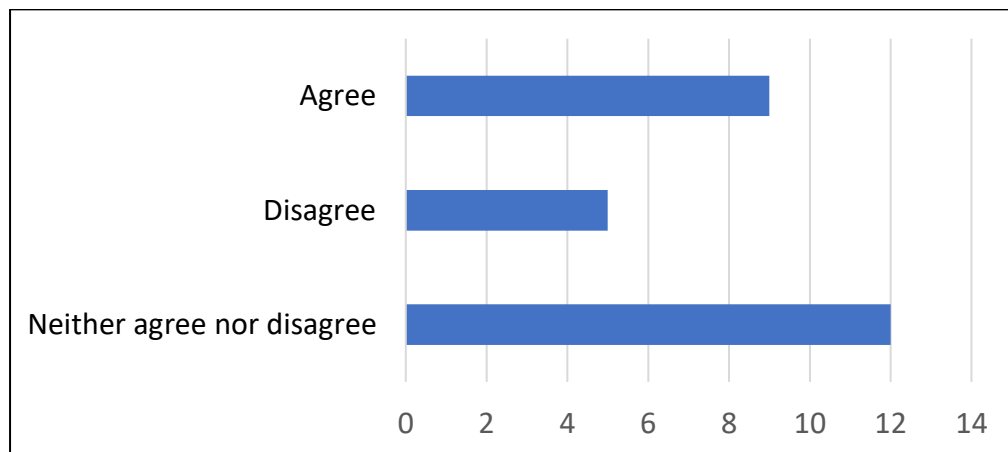


Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: **“Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”**, there were 26 responses.

The majority of respondents agreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for Gifford Community Council Area, with a large proportion neither agreeing nor disagreeing.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	9	34.6%
Disagree	5	19.2%
Neither agree nor disagree	12	46.2%
Total	26	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 5 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- One respondent felt there was not sufficient play provision for older children and teens in Gifford play area, and another respondent felt there was a lack of play equipment for younger children.
- The play equipment could benefit from refreshing and improving, including improving accessible and inclusive play.
- Gifford Community Woodland was mentioned as another area where children like to play.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 4 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- All respondents said that Gifford play area could be improved, particularly in relation to accessible and inclusive play equipment, providing play opportunities for a wider age range, improving sensory play and enhancing the play space for additional needs children including improved accessibility.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Gifford Community Council Area.

The public consultation responses reiterated the findings from the Draft PSA that the formal play spaces in this area currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families, and these would be areas of focus for improvements.

Widening the play provision for all age ranges was also highlighted in the public consultation feedback.

2.7 Gullane Area Community Council Area

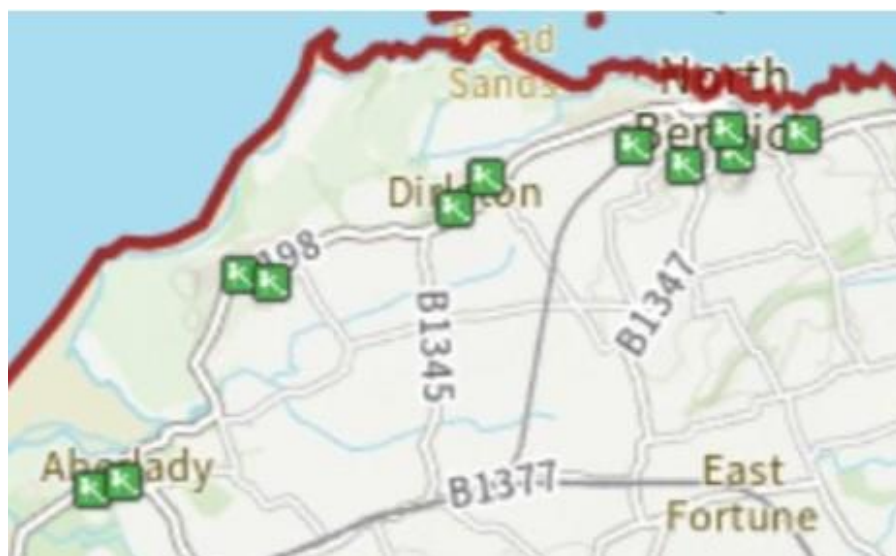
Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are six council-owned formal play spaces in the Gullane Area. All six spaces are larger neighbourhood play spaces*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range and are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in the Gullane Area provide a wide range of opportunities for physical, risky, social and nature-based play, although opportunities for creative play are more limited. The play opportunities offered in Yellowcraig play space include large, unusual pieces of equipment suitable for adventurous play. The formal play spaces in the Gullane Area currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Aberlady Pleasance	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Dirleton	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Goose Green, Gullane	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Luffness Court Aberlady	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Muirfield	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Yellowcraig	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years

* Larger neighbourhood play space is defined as a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.

Figure 8: Gullane Community Council Formal Outdoor Play Spaces

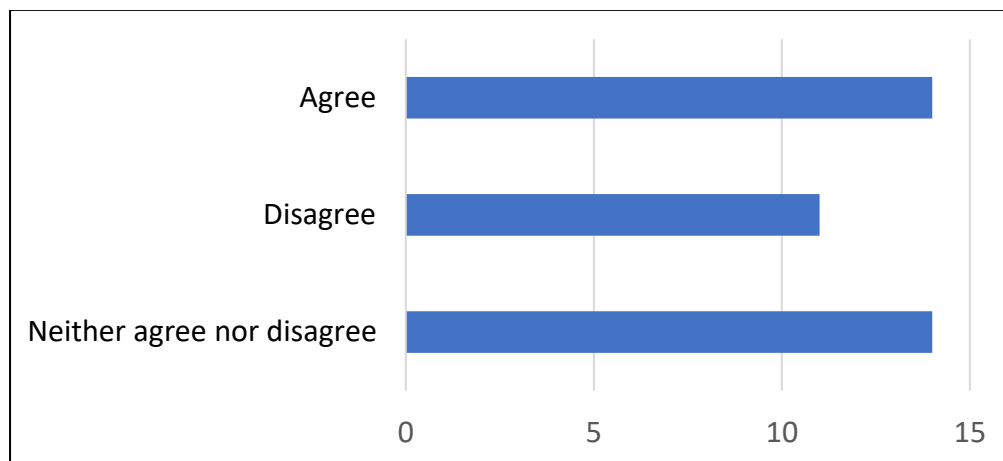


Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: **“Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”**, there were 39 responses.

The majority of respondents agreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for Gullane Area Community Council Area, with a similar number neither agreeing nor disagreeing.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	14	35.9%
Disagree	11	28.2%
Neither agree nor disagree	14	35.9%
Total	39	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 19 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- There were some positive comments that the play areas in the Gullane Area offer a range of play experiences and are ‘destination’ play areas also used by visitors.
- However, in general it was felt that this area did not offer enough play provision for older children.
- Comments were received about Yellowcraig play area that the equipment was old and tired and in need of replacement and enhancement.
- Some respondents felt that the recently refurbished play area at The Pleasance in Aberlady had removed play equipment more suited for older children (the climbing frame) and replaced it with equipment only suited to younger children.
- Dirleton play area was highlighted as having limited play provision and inadequate surfacing.
- The play areas in Gullane were highlighted as having inadequate provision for older children, with requests for improving the skateramp (skate ‘bowl’) by enhancing and enlarging the space and adding equipment for older children such as skate park, outdoor gym equipment, pump track or similar.

- Some respondents were concerned about the play provision in the new housing developments in Gullane and what the proposals are for these non-council play areas going forward.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 22 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- In general for this area, priorities highlighted were to improve play provision / hang-out spaces for older children in particular. Suggestions included outdoor gyms, more physical and adventurous play obstacles and equipment, additional climbing structures for older children.
- Dedicated green area / adventure play ground / bike trail were suggested to add value to the community as a whole.
- Other suggested improvements included: play spaces that inspire the imagination, sheltered picnic space, climbing frames, zip wires, shelter from poor weather conditions, increased play equipment, replacing benches and relocating bins.
- A greater range of play equipment was suggested for Dirleton and Aberlady, and replacement of older play equipment in the Gullane play areas.
- Improved provision of accessible and inclusive play equipment was suggested, including a specific comment on opportunities for disability sports provision.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Gullane Area Community Council Area.

The public consultation responses reiterated the findings from the Draft PSA that the formal play spaces in this area currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Improving and widening play provision / hang-out spaces for older children was also highlighted in the public consultation feedback.

It should be noted that since this consultation took place, the play area at Yellowcraig has been completely replaced and upgraded with improved play equipment aimed at all age ranges including cableway and large climbing net structure (‘jungle dome’) aimed at older children up to age 17.

2.8 Haddington District Community Council Area

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are sixteen council-owned formal play spaces in the Haddington District. Six spaces are small neighbourhood play spaces, seven are larger neighbourhood play spaces, two are destination play spaces, and one space is a specific interest play space*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range and are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in the Haddington District provide a wide range of opportunities for physical and risky play. Some formal play spaces offer opportunities for social and nature-based play, although opportunities for creative play are more limited. Whittingeham Drive provides opportunities specifically for older children through provision of a skate park. The formal play spaces in the Haddington District currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families, with only Neilson Park offering any accessible play equipment.

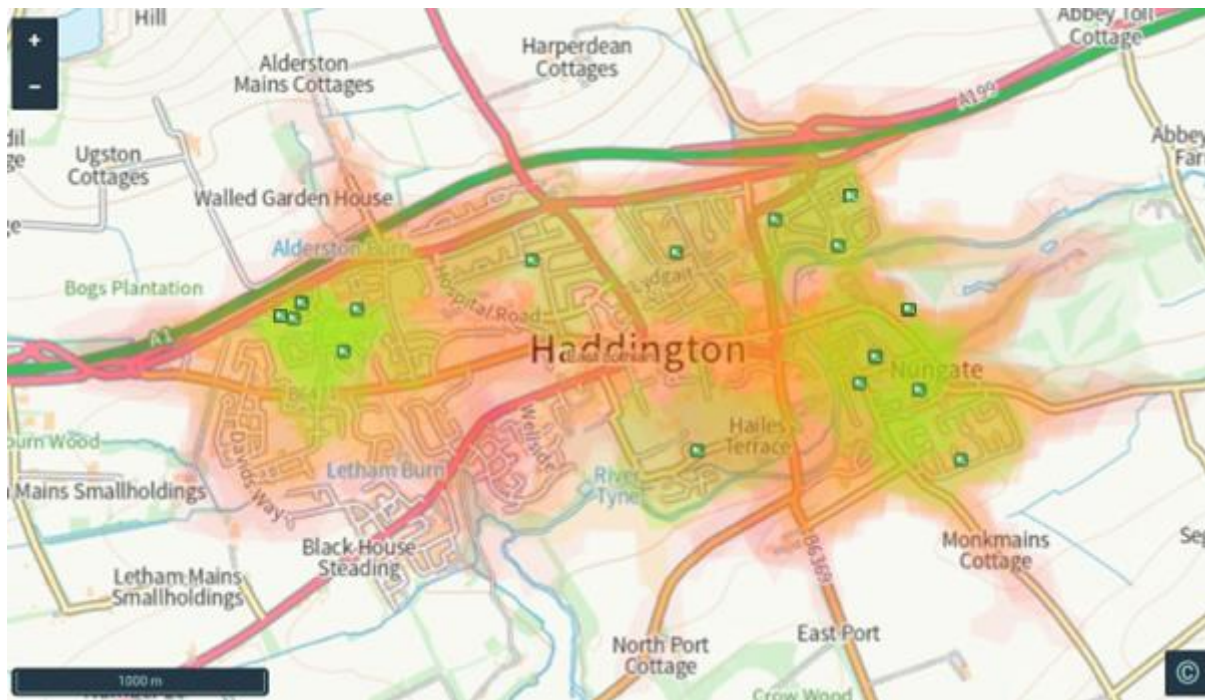
Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Alderston Meadows	Small neighbourhood play space	0-4 years
Artillery Park	Small neighbourhood play space	0-4 years
Athelstaneford	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Davidson Terrace	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Gateside (toddler area 1)	Small neighbourhood play space	0-4 years
Gateside (toddler area 2)	Small neighbourhood play space	0-4 years
Gateside (toddler area 3)	Small neighbourhood play space	0-4 years
Herdmanflatt	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Monksmains	Destination play space	0-17 years
Neilson Park	Destination play space	0-17 years
Nungate 1	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Nungate 2/Lynn Avenue	Larger neighbourhood play space	5-17 years
Riverside Drive 1	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-15 years
Riverside Drive 2	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Whittingeham Drive	Small neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Whittingeham Drive Skatepark	Specific interest play space	5-17 years

* Defined as:

- Small neighbourhood play space is a play space with 0-3 pieces of formal play equipment.
- Larger neighbourhood play space is a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.
- Destination play space is a play space with 14 or more pieces of formal play equipment.

- Specific interest play space is a play space with one large piece of equipment, for example a Multi-Use Game Area (MUGA), skate ramp, pump track or football pitch.

Figure 9: Haddington Map of Walking Distances to Formal Outdoor Play Spaces



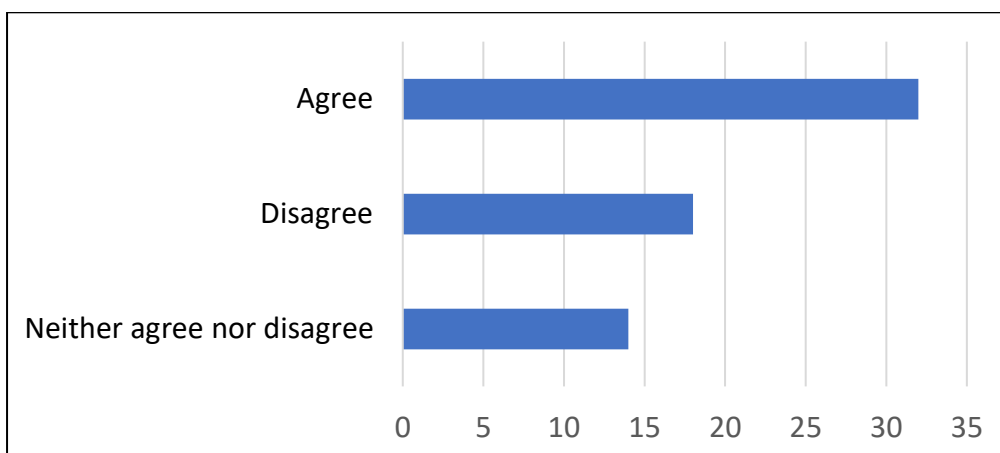
Green shading	5-minute walk
Orange shading	10-minute walk
Pink shading	15-minute walk

Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: “Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”, there were 64 responses.

The majority of respondents (50%) agreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for the Haddington District Community Council Area.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	32	50.0%
Disagree	18	28.1%
Neither agree nor disagree	14	21.9%
Total	64	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 21 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- Several respondents disagreed that there was adequate provision for all age ranges and especially for older children / teens.
- Responses were received that the play areas in the Artillery Park and Nungate areas of Haddington are insufficient and in poor condition, with a couple of comments that these play areas and the Gateside play areas are not well maintained and in need of upgrading.
- Several respondents said that provision for all abilities including ASN children was not sufficient.
- Comments were also received about the new housing areas, and that the privately owned play areas should be included; and that there is insufficient provision of private play areas in the Letham Mains area especially for young children and toddlers.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 37 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- Generally many of the responses highlighted the same themes: improve the provision for older children / teens including hang-out space or shelters; inclusive play equipment for all abilities including ASN children; more seating and bins; increase areas of play spaces; widen provision including more natural play and creative play opportunities including natural elements to enhance play spaces.
- Specific improvements were suggested for disabled children including wheelchair accessible swing, having at least one enclosed safe space, sensory area, inclusive and accessible play equipment.
- Herdmanflatt was mentioned specifically as an opportunity to enhance natural play opportunities.
- Upgrade and improve the play areas at Artillery Park, Riverside Drive and Whittingehame Drive in particular. Expand provision at Neilson Park play area.
- Athelstaneford play area needs to be upgraded and the drainage improved.
- Dog fouling was mentioned as a problem with some respondents requesting this is addressed including by fencing around play areas. Fencing was also suggested to improve play areas for those with ASN children in particular.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Haddington District Community Council Area. Although there was general agreement, there were also requests to widen play provision for all ages and abilities, particularly for older children.

There was agreement with the findings from the Draft PSA that the formal play spaces in Haddington District currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

In relation to the comments in relation to dogs and dog fouling: this is caused by irresponsible dog ownership. Fencing around play areas does not necessarily resolve this and is unnecessary for safety reasons when the play area is within an enclosed park. Fencing is expensive to install and maintain and would mean less funds are available for play provision, however, there is a need to have a balance, with enclosed play areas required in some locations.

In relation to comments received that play equipment is too high for very young children and toddlers to access: this is deliberate to prevent very young children from accessing play equipment without appropriate adult supervision and assistance, i.e. this is a safety feature of the play equipment.

2.9 Humbie, East and West Saltoun and Bolton Community Council Area

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are four council-owned formal play spaces in the Humbie, East and West Saltoun and Bolton area. Three spaces are larger neighbourhood play spaces* and one space is a football and playing field. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the 0-15 age range, although play opportunities for older children are limited. Most spaces are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in the Humbie, East and West Saltoun and Bolton area provide a wide range of opportunities for physical, risky and social play for younger age groups, although opportunities for creative play and play for older children are more limited. The formal play spaces in the Humbie, East and West Saltoun and Bolton area currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Bolton	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
East Saltoun	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-15 years
Humbie Playing Field	Specific interest play space	5-17 years
West Saltoun	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-15 years

* Defined as:

- Larger neighbourhood play space is a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.
- Specific interest play space is a play space with one large piece of equipment, for example a Multi-Use Game Area (MUGA), skate ramp, pump track or football pitch.

Figure 10: Humbie Community Council Formal Outdoor Play Spaces

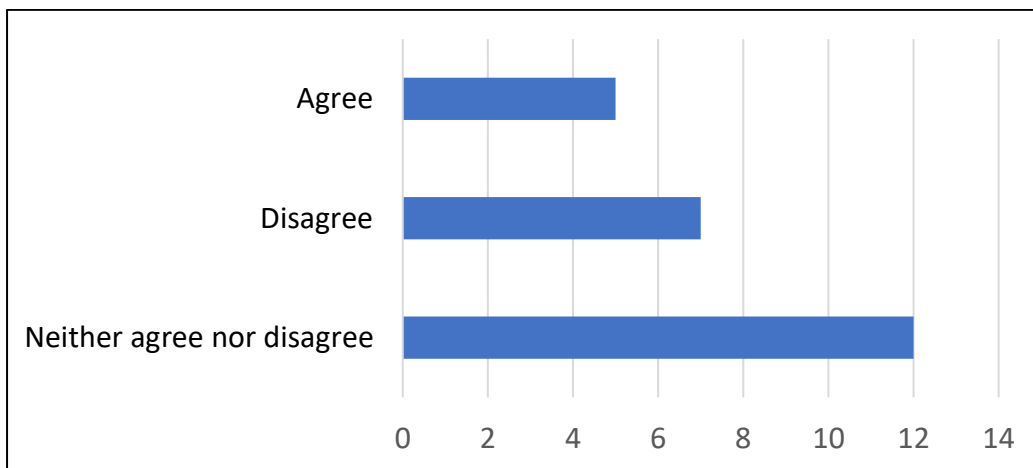


Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: “Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”, there were 24 responses.

A majority of respondents disagreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for Humble, East and West Saltoun and Bolton Community Council Area although numbers of respondents were fairly low. A large proportion (50%) neither agreed nor disagreed.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	5	20.8%
Disagree	7	29.2%
Neither agree nor disagree	12	50.0%
Total	24	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 8 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- Specific comments received related mainly to East Saltoun play area. Respondents commented that this play area is inadequate and in need of upgrading. Problems such as dog fouling and irresponsible parking on the adjacent greenspace were also mentioned.
- General comments included insufficient accessible and inclusive play in this area, and a couple of requests for fencing around the play areas.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 11 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- Respondents requested that the play areas in this area are upgraded and improved, in particular with better facilities for disabled children and older children and by expanding provision for younger children.
- East Saltoun play area in particular was highlighted as requiring upgrading, with fencing around it to prevent dog fouling and improve safety.
- Bolton play area could be expanded for younger children.
- Opportunities for creative play, more accessible play, and more challenging play such as a Flying Fox were suggested as particular enhancements.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the detailed comments from the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Humble, East and West Saltoun and Bolton Community Council Area that opportunities for creative play and play for older children are limited, and that that the formal play spaces offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families. East Saltoun play area was highlighted as in particular need of upgrading and improvements.

2.10 Longniddry Community Council Area

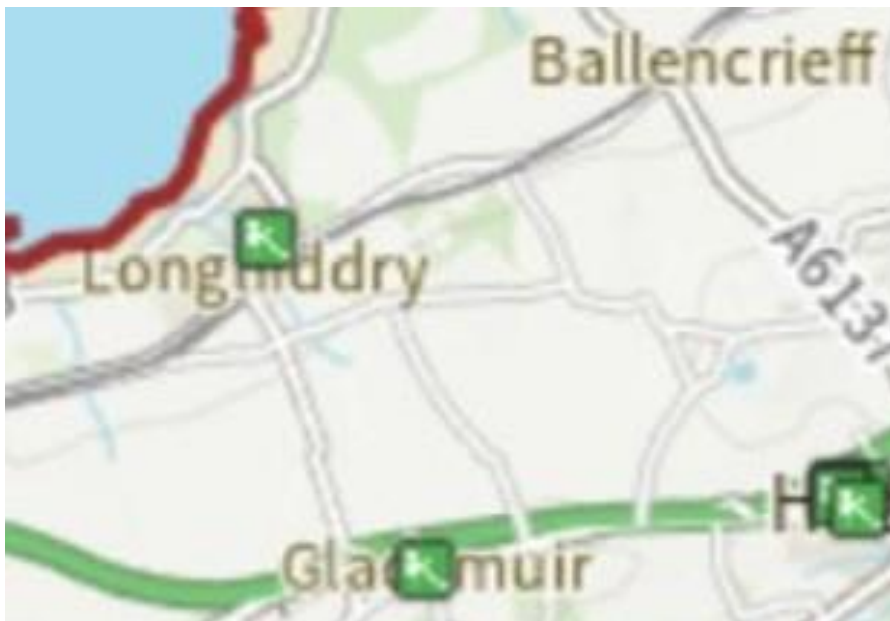
Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There is one council-owned formal play space in the Longniddry area. The space is a larger neighbourhood play space* with ten pieces of play equipment. The play space provides formal play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range and is well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play space in Longniddry provides a range of opportunities for physical, risky and social play, although the opportunities for nature-based and creative play are more limited. The formal play space in Longniddry currently offers minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Longniddry	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years

* Larger neighbourhood play space is defined as a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.

Figure 11: Longniddry Community Council Formal Outdoor Play Spaces

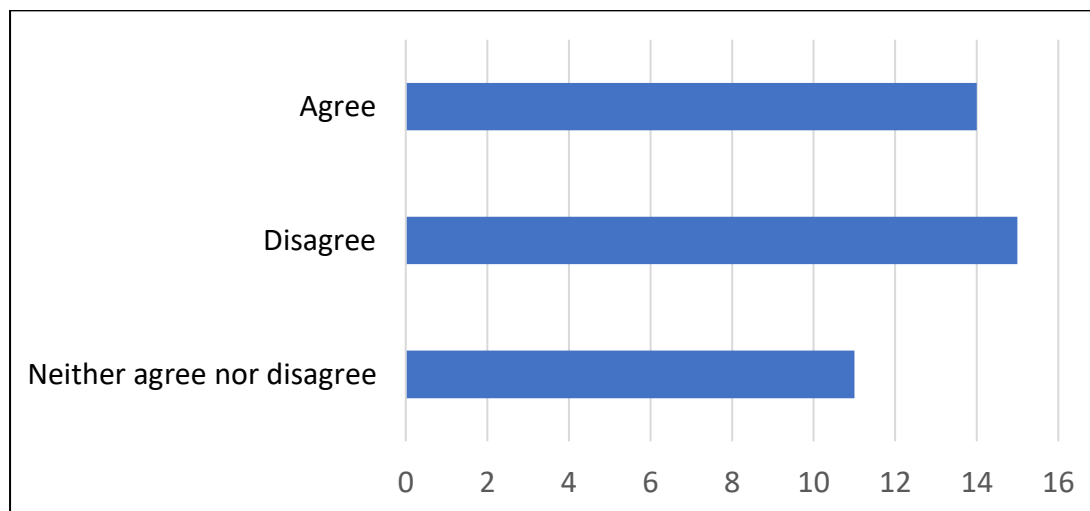


Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: “Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”, there were 40 responses.

A similar number of respondents agreed as disagreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for the Longniddry Community Council Area (with slightly more disagreeing), with a proportion neither agreeing nor disagreeing.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	14	35.0%
Disagree	15	37.5%
Neither agree nor disagree	11	27.5%
Total	40	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 15 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- Respondents said that the play area in Longniddry is insufficient with a wider range of play provision needed for all ages and abilities, particularly as the village has expanded.
- Opportunities for natural play and social play were highlighted as a need.
- There is a lack of provision of accessible and inclusive play equipment.
- More sports provision was requested such as basketball court and football area.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 19 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- Respondents suggested upgrading and enhancing the existing play area with a wider range of play provision for all ages and abilities, particularly as the village has expanded.
- Natural play and social play opportunities in particular were highlighted.
- Provision of accessible and inclusive play equipment and incorporate more nature based play.
- Replacing the woodchip with more accessible surfacing, and replacing the bench, which is in poor repair, were also seen as priorities. More benches were requested.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Longniddry Community Council Area, that the opportunities for nature-based and creative play are limited and the formal play space in Longniddry currently offers minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families. Expansion of the current play area to accommodate a growing village population, and increasing the range of play opportunities and provision for all ages and abilities, were highlighted as priorities for this area.

2.11 Macmerry and Gladsmuir Community Council Area

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are three council-owned formal play spaces in the Macmerry and Gladsmuir area. Two spaces are larger neighbourhood play spaces and one space is a destination play space*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the 0-17 age range. Most spaces are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in the Macmerry and Gladsmuir area provide a wide range of opportunities for physical, risky and social play, although opportunities for creative and nature-based play are more limited. The formal play spaces in the Macmerry and Gladsmuir area currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Brierbush Road	Larger neighbourhood play space	5-17 years
Gladsmuir	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Macmerry Play Area	Destination play space	0-17 years

* Defined as:

- Larger neighbourhood play space is a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.
- Destination play space is a play space with 14 or more pieces of formal play equipment.

Figure 12: Macmerry and Gladsmuir Community Council Formal Outdoor Play Spaces

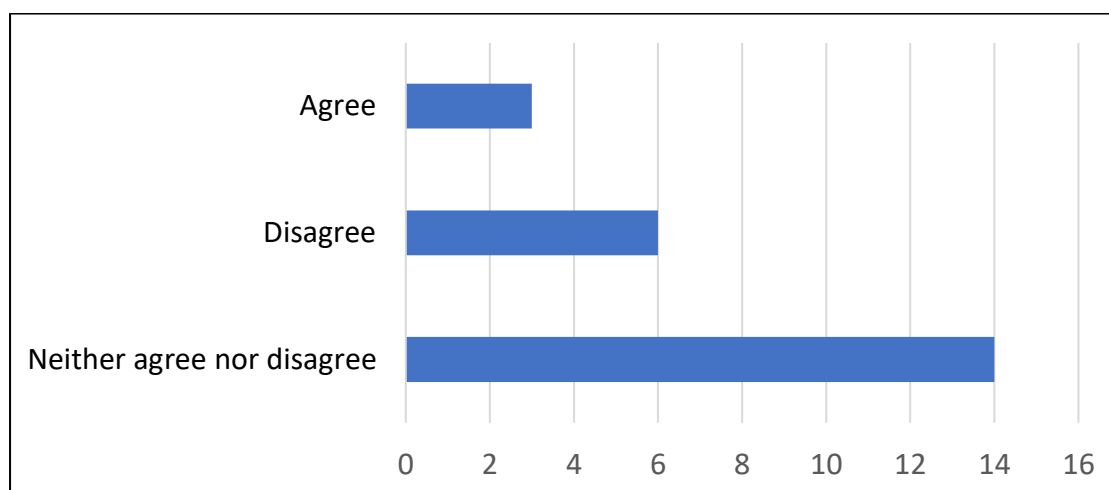


Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: **“Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”**, there were 23 responses.

A majority of respondents disagreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for the Macmerry and Gladsmuir Community Council Area although numbers of respondents were low, with the largest proportion neither agreeing nor disagreeing.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	3	13.0%
Disagree	6	26.1%
Neither agree nor disagree	14	60.9%
Total	23	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 6 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- Respondents commented that the play areas in the Macmerry area are in need of upgrading and improving.
- In particular, respondents highlighted a need for more accessible and inclusive equipment for all abilities, and expanding play provision generally across all age ranges and particularly for older children.
- Brierbush Road play area was particularly highlighted as in need of improvement.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 9 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- Respondents requested upgrading and improvement of all the play areas in this area, with a greater variety of updated and enhanced play equipment, more challenging equipment for older children, more inclusive and accessible play equipment for all abilities.

- One respondent said there is a good opportunity at Gladsmuir play space for more creative, nature based play.
- Brierbush Road play area could be improved with upgraded and enhanced play provision.
- Macmerry main play area is outdated, with opportunities to enhance provision for younger children and toddlers, and also to have more challenging play provision for older children.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Macmerry and Gladsmuir Community Council Area, that the opportunities for nature-based and creative play are limited and the formal play space in Longniddry currently offers minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Feedback was received that all of the play areas would benefit from upgrading and enhancement, to increase the range of play opportunities and provision for all ages and abilities.

2.12 Musselburgh and Inveresk Community Council Area

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are twenty-one council-owned formal play spaces in Musselburgh and Inveresk. One space is a small neighbourhood play space, fourteen are larger neighbourhood play spaces, four are destination play spaces, and two spaces are specific interest play spaces*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range and most spaces are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in the Musselburgh and Inveresk area provide a wide range of opportunities for physical and risky play, although there are fewer opportunities for older age groups. Some formal play spaces offer opportunities for social play, although opportunities for nature-based and creative play are more limited. The formal play spaces in the Musselburgh and Inveresk area currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Balcares Road / Old Course Gate	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Bellfield Location 1	Small neighbourhood play space	0-4 years
Bellfield Location 2	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-15 years
Edenhall	Destination play space	0-15 years
Eskview	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Fisherrow	Destination play space	0-17 years
Fisherrow Skate Park	Specific interest play space	5-17 years
Goose Green No. 1	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-15 years
Haugh Park	Destination play space	0-17 years
Levenhall Play Area	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Lewisvale Park, Toddlers' Area ¹	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Macbeth Moir Play Park	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Market Street	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-4 years
Mayfield Park	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-15 years
Mayfield Park Football Pitch	Specific interest play space	0-17 years
Old Craighall	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Pinkiehill	Destination play space	0-17 years
Quayside Park Area	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years

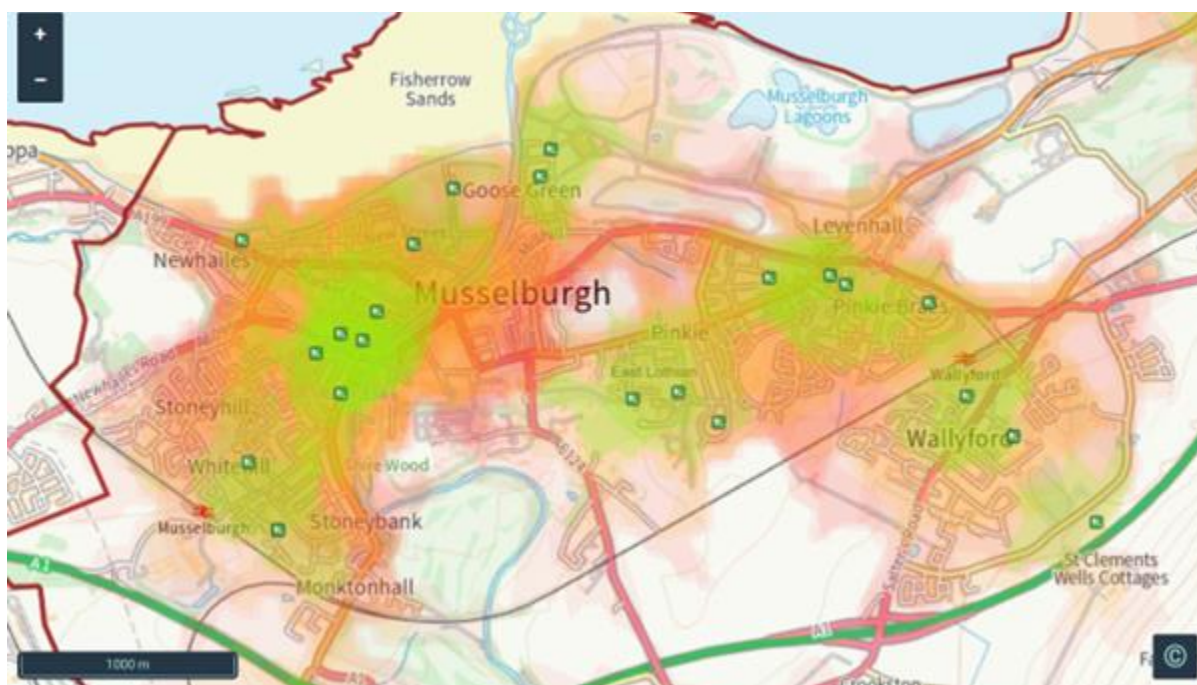
¹ Please note that the new Lewisvale Park play area for older children and teens had not been constructed when this survey took place, so is not included here.

St Ninians Play Area	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-15 years
Whitehill	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Windsor Park	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years

* Defined as:

- Small neighbourhood play space is a play space with 0-3 pieces of formal play equipment.
- Larger neighbourhood play space is a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.
- Destination play space is a play space with 14 or more pieces of formal play equipment.
- Specific interest play space is a play space with one large piece of equipment, for example a Multi-Use Game Area (MUGA), skate ramp, pump track or football pitch.

Figure 13: Musselburgh and Inveresk Map of Walking Distances to Formal Outdoor Play Spaces



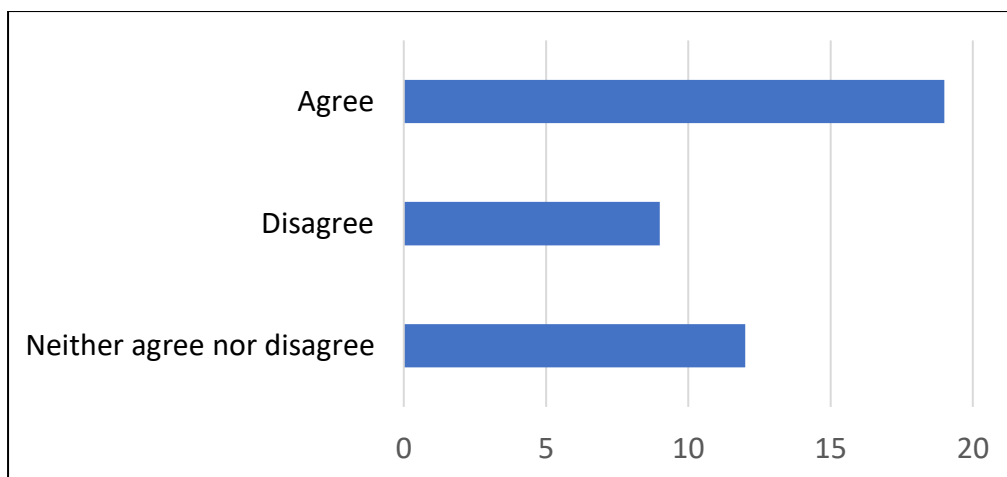
Green shading	5-minute walk
Orange shading	10-minute walk
Pink shading	15-minute walk

Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: “Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”, there were 40 responses.

The majority of respondents agreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for the Musselburgh and Inveresk Community Council Area.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	19	47.5%
Disagree	9	22.5%
Neither agree nor disagree	12	30.0%
Total	40	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 14 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- Some respondents disagreed with the suggested age categories for some of the play areas, and felt that there is not sufficient provision for older children in several of the Musselburgh play areas.
- Comments were received that many of the play areas are not suitable for disabilities and there are insufficient accessible and inclusive play opportunities.
- Some of the smaller and older play areas in Musselburgh, in particular Macbeth Moir and Leven Park (St Ninians) and play areas near Campie School, are in need of upgrading / replacement. A couple of respondents felt that these areas were not well maintained or kept clean.
- One respondent suggested repairing, adding in one or two extra (inclusive/accessible) pieces of equipment rather than wholesale replacement of the entire play area which is expensive and then means other areas have to wait longer.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 23 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- A significant proportion of the responses highlighted that nature-based play opportunities should be expanded, including more integration of nature-based, creative play, larger areas with quality green space, opportunities to discover nature such as woodland walks or exploration trails with signage in areas surrounding the play spaces, logs to play on, tree planting around the play areas to provide shade, wild planting / planters / growing spaces as part of play areas.

- More inclusive play spaces, including expanding provision for a range of abilities including disabilities, e.g. wheelchair accessible swing possibly at Goose Green play area; more items of inclusive play equipment.
- Expand play provision for older children, including more challenging play equipment structures for older children, especially near schools; expand bike/skate track provision; more spaces for teenagers to hang out, with shelter, seating, good lighting.
- Better maintenance and upgrading of existing play areas, particularly Levenhall park play area and Macbeth Moir Road play area.
- Practical issues such as safety, litter and graffiti were raised. Improve safe access to play areas.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Musselburgh and Inveresk area, that the play spaces provide a wide range of play opportunities. Some formal play spaces offer opportunities for social play, although opportunities for nature-based and creative play are more limited. There was agreement with the findings from the Draft PSA that the formal play spaces in Musselburgh and Inveresk currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

However, the Draft PSA stated that there are fewer opportunities for older age groups, but since the initial play assessment was undertaken a new play area has opened in Lewisvale Park, Musselburgh, which is aimed especially at older children and teenagers, and includes outdoor gym equipment, a cableway (flying fox), and a circular 'hamster wheel' more challenging play item. This new play area also includes a wheelchair accessible roundabout and accessible pathway.

The PSA has been updated to reflect this for the Musselburgh and Inveresk area.

2.13 North Berwick Community Council Area

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

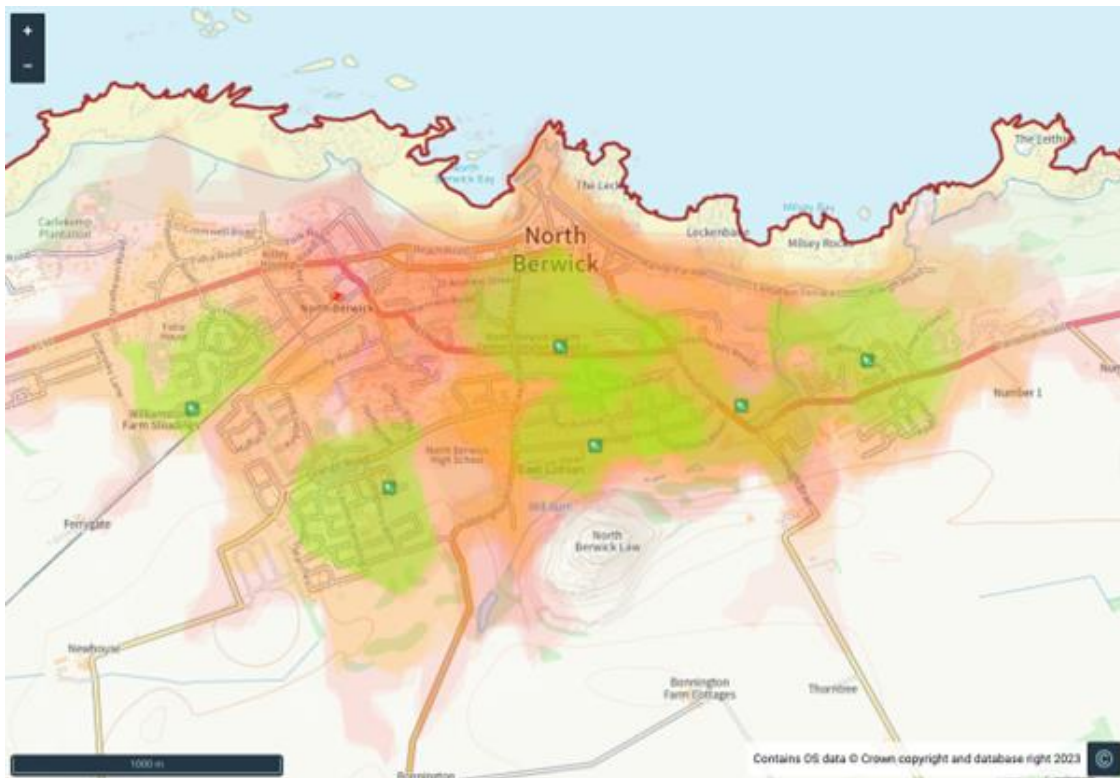
There are six council-owned formal play spaces in the North Berwick area. Four spaces are larger neighbourhood play spaces and two spaces are destination play spaces*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the 0-17 age range. Most spaces are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in the North Berwick area provide a wide range of opportunities for physical, risky and social play, although opportunities for creative and nature-based play are more limited. The formal play spaces in the North Berwick area currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Lochbridge Road	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Lodge Grounds	Destination play space	0-17 years
Mains Farm/Wotherspoon Green	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Smileyknowes Court	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Recreation Park	Destination play space	0-17 years
Rhodes Park	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years

* Defined as:

- Larger neighbourhood play space is a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.
- Destination play space is a play space with 14 or more pieces of formal play equipment.

Figure 14: North Berwick Map of Walking Distances to Formal Outdoor Play Spaces



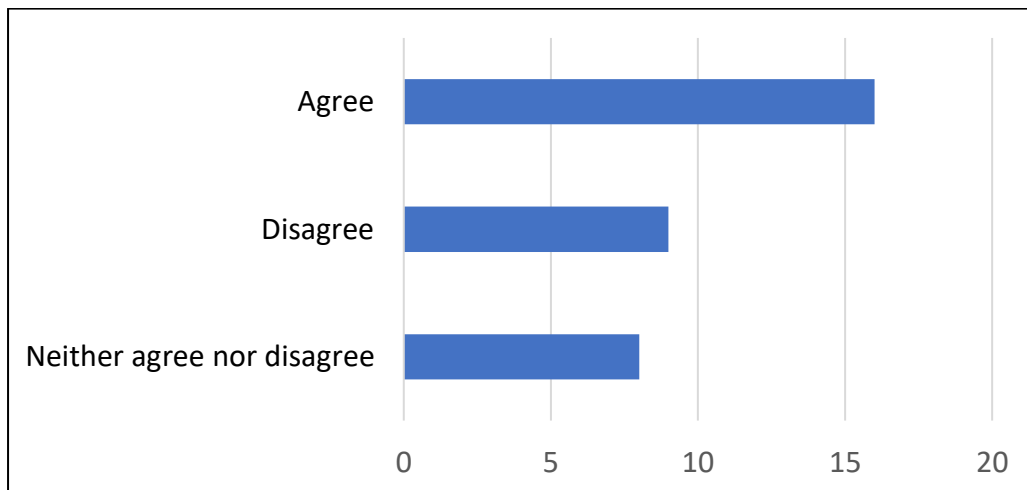
Green shading	5-minute walk
Orange shading	10-minute walk
Pink shading	15-minute walk

Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: “Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”, there were 33 responses.

The majority of respondents agreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for North Berwick Community Council Area.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	16	48.5%
Disagree	9	27.3%
Neither agree nor disagree	8	24.2%
Total	33	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 10 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- The Lodge Grounds is a popular play area but several respondents felt that the equipment is in need of improving and upgrading, particularly for all abilities including disabilities.
- Increased spaces for teenagers to hang out was mentioned, for the Lodge Grounds and more generally.
- Accessibility for all abilities was highlighted by several respondents, in addition to improving inclusive play equipment for disabled users.
- The play area at Mains Farm/Wotherspoon Green is only suitable for younger children with not enough range of play equipment for different age groups. Local residents mentioned they are affected by noise from this play area.
- The beaches and North Berwick Law were mentioned as other play spaces.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 19 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- A majority of respondents said that the Lodge Grounds play area is no longer fit for purpose, with older equipment and items that require to be replaced and the whole play area improved, including enhancing accessible and inclusive play equipment.
- Increased play space / hang out spaces for older children and teenagers.
- For the area as a whole, improved disabled play provision was highlighted as a priority. Improving accessibility and inclusion in the play areas.
- Natural play enhancements were suggested, including logs for climbing on, sand and digging spaces, tunnels and dens.
- Another aspect highlighted for improvement was safe access routes to reach the play areas, for example the Lodge Grounds which is not accessible without crossing a road with no formal crossing points.
- Requests for improving the play provision included providing a greater range of challenging play opportunities, such as more balance, swings and physical and risky play, to encourage healthy challenge for a variety of ages.
- The new skatepark is popular and respondents are keen to see a pump track installed.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for North Berwick Community Council Area. Opportunities for creative and nature-based play are currently limited, and the formal play spaces in North Berwick currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

In addition, although there was agreement with the Draft PSA that there is provision for older children and teenagers, it was seen as a priority that provision for older children and teens is improved and expanded.

2.14 Ormiston Community Council Area

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

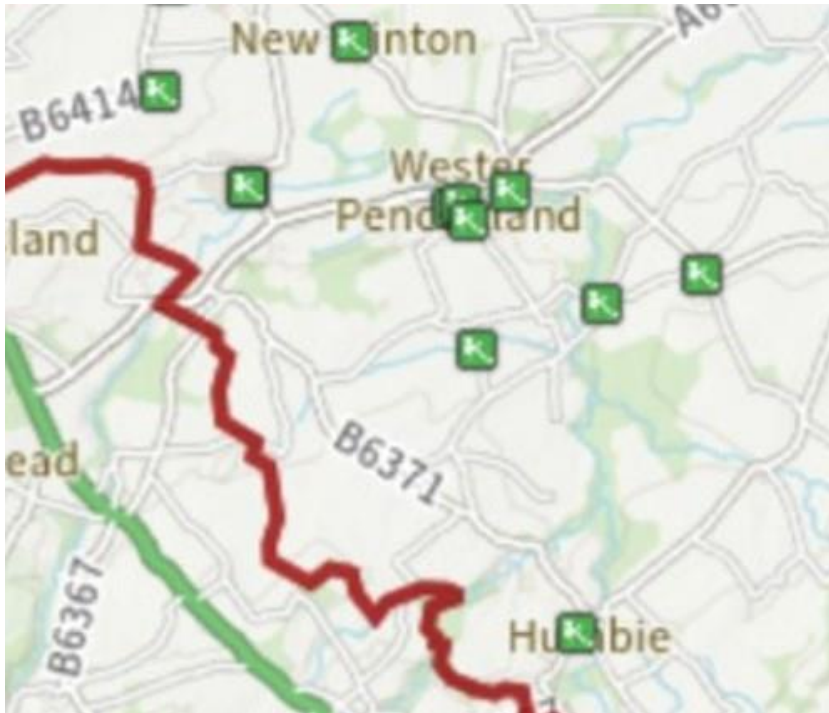
There is one council-owned formal play space in the Ormiston area that is divided into three separate areas: an area for younger children, for older children, and a pump track. The three areas form a destination play space* and provide formal play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range. The play space is well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. Ormiston play space provides a wide range of opportunities for physical, risky, social play, nature-based and creative play. The space offers some accessible play opportunities for disabled children and families, including a communication board and buddy bench, although the range of accessible equipment is limited.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Ormiston - Younger Children's Area	Destination play space	0-15 years
Ormiston - Older Children's Area	Larger neighbourhood play space	5-17 years
Ormiston - Pump Track	Specific interest play space	5-17 years

* Defined as:

- Larger neighbourhood play space is a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.
- Destination play space is a play space with 14 or more pieces of formal play equipment.
- Specific interest play space is a play space with one large piece of equipment, for example a Multi-Use Game Area (MUGA), skate ramp, pump track or football pitch.

Figure 15: Ormiston Community Council Formal Outdoor Play Spaces

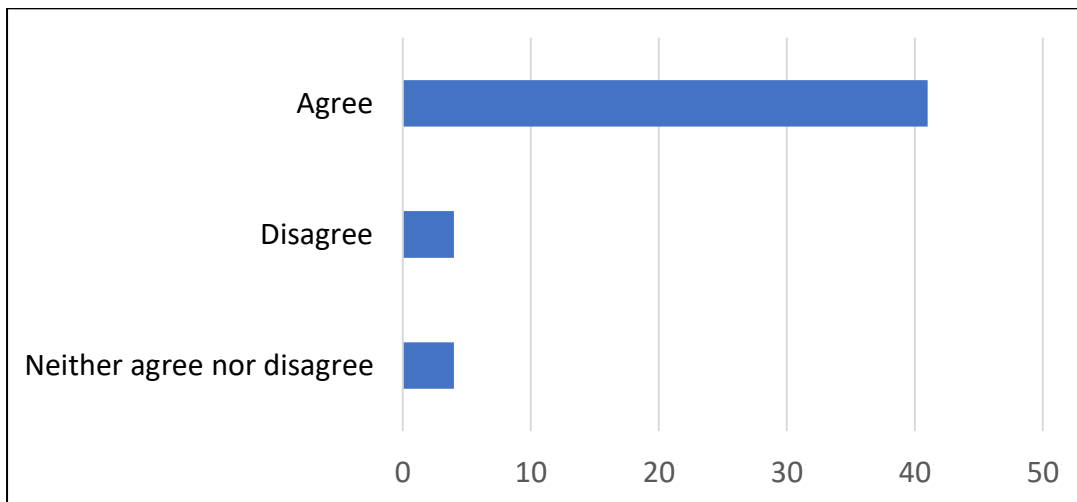


Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: “Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”, there were 49 responses.

An overwhelming majority of respondents agreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for Ormiston Community Council Area.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	41	83.7%
Disagree	4	8.2%
Neither agree nor disagree	4	8.2%
Total	49	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 11 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- The feedback received about Ormiston Park was overwhelmingly positive. Examples of comments received were:
 - “Ormiston park is fantastic! This is what all parks should be like”.
 - “The fact that Ormiston park is as good as it is because of the enormous amount of work done by Friends of Ormiston Park. This park works well because it was designed, developed and driven by the local community”.
 - “Without a doubt the best play area in East Lothian and should be replicated in as many of our towns as much as possible”.
- A sensory walk was suggested, and a comment was received that the nature-based play is limited to woodland, missing the river and water play.
- The lack of toilets / limited availability of toilets at the library was mentioned as an issue.
- One respondent felt the younger children's play area is only suitable for age 0 – 12.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 19 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- Again, responses were extremely positive. Some respondents felt that nothing was needed to further improve this park. Examples of responses included the following:
 - “Absolutely fantastic park for all ages and abilities. Really inclusive and fantastic that parents can play with children on some equipment too! Best park in the county and I really wish there were more like it!”
 - “Ormiston has excellent play facilities. There’s a good range of equipment, covering a range of ages, levels of risk and adventure, etc. the availability of the pump track, multi-surface pitch, basketball nets, etc all co-located with the play park is fantastic. There’s something for everyone at this site. Much more of this template should be used throughout East Lothian!”
- Issues that were mentioned included the lack of toilet provision at the park.
- Some respondents mentioned that a play area specifically suited to children with disabilities, adjoining the current play area but with a more accessible play surface than woodchip, would enhance Ormiston Park and make it a destination space for all.
- Enhancing sensory play, improving access to the river, water play opportunities, shelter for hanging out, more accessible play equipment for disabled children, and softening the landscaping with more tree planting were all mentioned as further suggestions for improvements to the park.
- There is an issue of inconsiderate car parking in the adjacent street with suggestions for a car park closer to the park.

Comment on consultation findings:

The public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Ormiston Community Council Area. Of all the areas of East Lothian assessed, the feedback received about Ormiston Park was the most positive. The work and dedication by the local community group Friends of Ormiston Park over many years has enhanced this play space, driven by and meeting the needs of the community and working with the Council to continually expand and improve the park and its play

spaces. Many respondents commented that this is a model park that should serve as a template for other parks across East Lothian.

2.15 Pencaitland Community Council Area

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

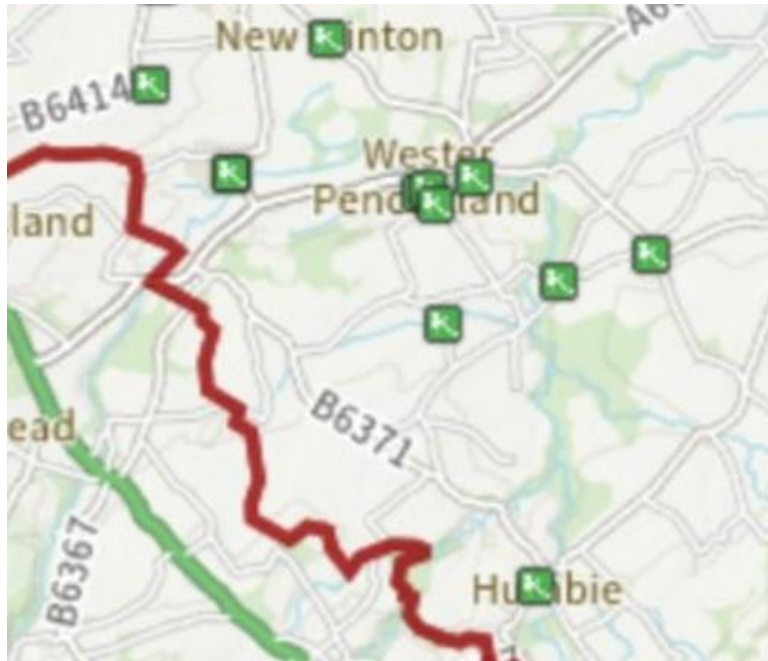
There are six council-owned formal play spaces in the Pencaitland area. Four spaces are larger neighbourhood play spaces, two are destination play spaces and one is a small neighbourhood play space*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the 0-17 age range. The play spaces are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in the Pencaitland area provide a wide range of opportunities for physical and risky play, although opportunities for social, creative and nature-based play are more limited. The formal play spaces in the Pencaitland area currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families, with only Pencaitland Park including an accessible roundabout.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Glenkinchie	Small neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Lamberton Court	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
New Winton	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Pencaitland Park	Destination play space	0-17 years
Trevelyan Crescent	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Woodhall Road	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years

* Defined as:

- *Small neighbourhood play space is a play space with 0-3 pieces of formal play equipment.*
- *Larger neighbourhood play space is a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.*
- *Destination play space is a play space with 14 or more pieces of formal play equipment.*

Figure 16: Pencaitland Community Council Formal Outdoor Play Spaces

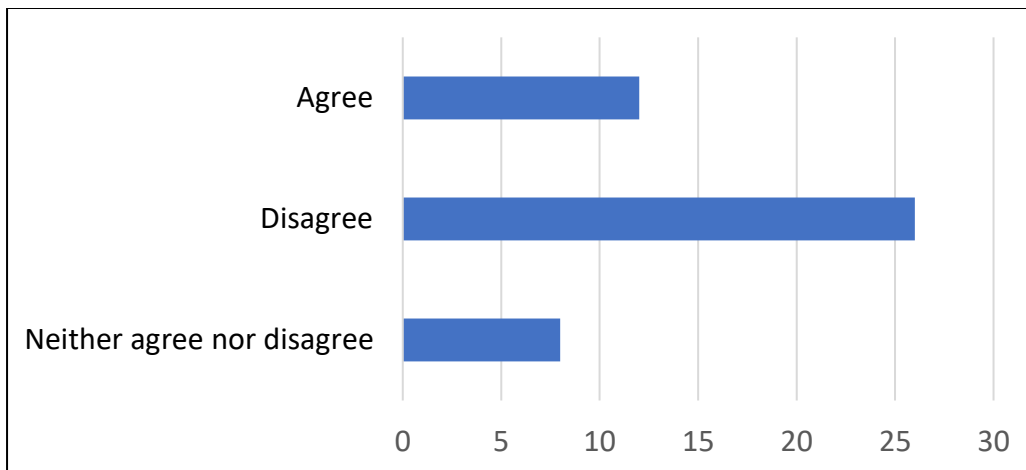


Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: “Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”, there were 46 responses.

A majority of respondents disagreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for Pencaitland Community Council Area.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	12	26.1%
Disagree	26	56.5%
Neither agree nor disagree	8	17.4%
Total	46	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 23 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- 13 of the responses received (57%) referred specifically to New Winton play area. Respondents felt strongly that this play area is inadequate and unsafe. Comments included: the play equipment is old, poorly maintained and only suitable for younger children, there is no fencing around the play area despite it being close to a busy road, the play space feels neglected, the range of play equipment is poor and not accessible to all abilities.
- General comments received in relation to the Pencaitland area were that the recently upgraded play areas in Pencaitland Park and Lamberton Court are uninspiring and not suitable for older children.
- Respondents said that the play areas in Pencaitland do not have appropriate play equipment for older children and teens, such as items that provide challenging and risky play, exercise equipment, area for older children to meet with Wi-Fi shelter, skate park.
- A comment was received that the spaces should be improved for girls, with areas for fun social seating areas or a small built structure inviting gathered conversation / chat, and creative planting areas, rather than large spaces given over to football pitches.
- Comments included increasing provision for all ages and abilities including improving accessible and inclusive play.
- Nature based play was also suggested, including creative planting areas, and opportunities for less formal creative play with more natural resources and loose parts, and more seating.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**

There were 32 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- For Pencaitland, as above, in general respondents said that that they would like to see more play equipment for older children and teens in particular, with more imaginative, risky, challenging and inspiring play structures.
- Improve accessibility and inclusion, and increase the play opportunities across all ages and abilities. Better engagement with the local community.
- Trevelyan Park play area is run down and needs an improved range of equipment.
- Lamberton Court play area is only suitable for toddlers and younger children and would benefit from a greater range of play equipment for older children.
- Improve the maintenance of the play areas.
- Include natural play opportunities in the play spaces.
- Dog fouling was highlighted as a particular problem to be addressed in Pencaitland.
- New Winton play area requires replacing, upgrading and improvement to the range of play items for all ages and abilities and improved surfacing, more natural play opportunities, fencing around the play area to improve safety, improve maintenance and add seating.

Comment on consultation findings:

The public consultation responses disagreed with aspects of the Draft PSA assessment for Pencaitland Community Council Area. Many respondents felt that there are currently insufficient opportunities for physical and risky play, and that provision for older children and teens in particular

is inadequate. Respondents specifically commented that the key points captured in the Draft PSA do not apply to New Winton play area. The PSA for Pencaitland area has been updated accordingly.

There was agreement with the findings from the Draft PSA that the formal play spaces in Pencaitland area currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families, and that opportunities for social, creative and nature-based play are more limited.

It should be noted that the new play area at Lamberton Court was installed specifically as a toddler play area as a planning condition.

2.16 Prestonpans Community Council Area

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are seven council-owned formal play spaces in the Prestonpans area. One play space is a small neighbourhood play space, four spaces are larger neighbourhood play spaces, two are destination play spaces*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the 0-17 age range. The play spaces are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in the Prestonpans area provide a wide range of opportunities for physical and risky play, and a range of opportunities for social and nature-based play. The opportunities for creative play are more limited. The play space in Cuthill Park has a particularly good range of play opportunities, including an area dedicated to nature-based play. The formal play spaces in the Prestonpans area currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Cemetery Park	Destination play space	0-17 years
Cuthill Park	Destination play space	0-17 years
Middleshot Square	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-4 years
Penny Pit Park	Small neighbourhood play space	5-17 years
Preston Crescent	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Wilson Avenue	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Wrigley Terrace (Drachrig Play Park)	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years

* Defined as:

- *Small neighbourhood play space is a play space with 0-3 pieces of formal play equipment.*
- *Larger neighbourhood play space is a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.*
- *Destination play space is a play space with 14 or more pieces of formal play equipment.*

Figure 17: Prestonpans Map of Walking Distances to Formal Outdoor Play Spaces



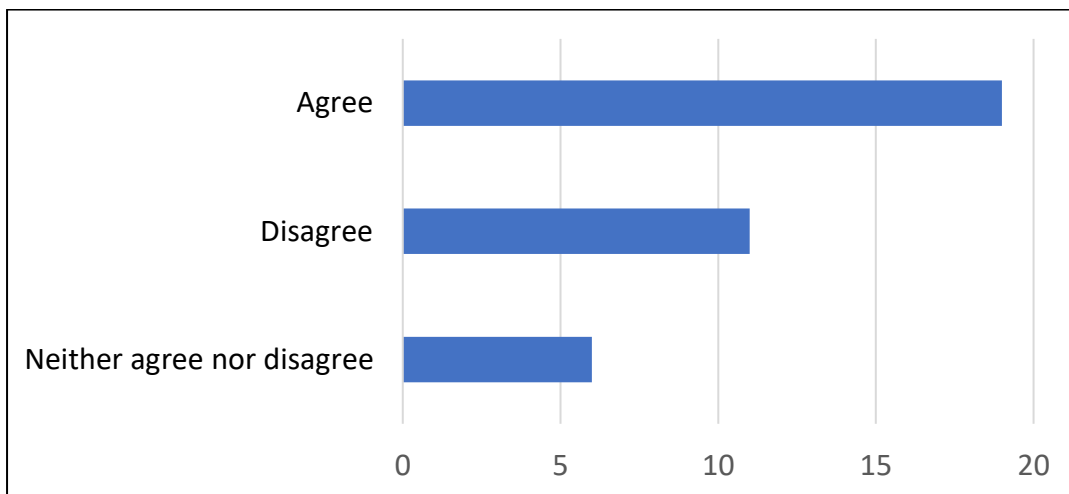
Green shading	5-minute walk
Orange shading	10-minute walk
Pink shading	15-minute walk

Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: **“Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”**, there were 36 responses.

The majority of respondents agreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for Prestonpans Community Council Area.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	19	52.8%
Disagree	11	30.6%
Neither agree nor disagree	6	16.7%
Total	36	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 13 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- Many respondents commented that the play areas in Prestonpans, although popular and well used, are in need of upgrading and improving.
- There was generally consensus that the play areas do not have a wide enough range of play equipment for all ages and abilities including accessible and inclusive play or inclusive surfacing for all abilities.
- There were requests for improving provision for older children in particular, such as a skate park/bike track, to help reduce anti-social behaviour issues in this area.
- Maintenance of the play areas was highlighted as a problem, and several respondents mentioned that there are problems with anti-social behaviour, litter, graffiti and dog fouling.
- The play areas at Preston Crescent, Pennypit park, Wilson Avenue and Cemetery Park in particular were highlighted as in need of upgrading and improving.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 20 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- Responses highlighted that the priorities for this area are to upgrade and improve the play areas generally, and in particular to improve accessibility and inclusion for all abilities including disabled access. There is a feeling that these play areas have been neglected.
- An example response included: “All parks need to be updated to suit all age range and all children. Needs to be wheelchair and buggy friendly as well. New equipment better equipment. Make each park different”.
- Improving the play areas for older children and teens, in particular to help reduce anti-social behaviour issues, was also highlighted, for example a skate park or pump track.
- Pennypit park play area was highlighted as in need of upgrading.
- Preston Crescent play area was also highlighted as in need of improving. Nature-based play opportunities were suggested in particular for this play space, to enhance the existing greenspace and nature.
- Improved maintenance of the play areas was highlighted, as well as addressing the anti-social behaviour issues.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Prestonpans Community Council Area.

However, the public consultation responses differed from Play Scotland’s observations in the Draft PSA particularly around maintenance of the play areas. All of the council’s play areas are subject to

an ongoing and continual safety inspection and maintenance regime. Older play equipment can appear 'dirty' due to weathering although the equipment is still safe to use. Resolving anti-social behaviour issues is outwith the scope of this report, however, the issues are noted as impacting upon use and enjoyment of these play areas.

There was agreement with the findings from the Draft PSA that the formal play spaces in Prestonpans currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

2.17 Tranent and Elphinstone Community Council Area

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are eleven council-owned formal play spaces in the Tranent and Elphinstone area. There are three small neighbourhood play spaces, six larger neighbourhood play spaces, one destination play space, and one specific interest space*. The play spaces provide formal play opportunities across the 0-17 age range. The play spaces are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in the Tranent and Elphinstone area provide a wide range of opportunities for physical and risky play, and a range of opportunities for social play. The opportunities for creative and nature-based play are more limited. There is an inclusive roundabout in Polson Park, but overall formal play spaces in the Tranent and Elphinstone area currently offer limited play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Blawearie Park, Tranent	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Elphinstone, Buxley Road	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Farriers Way, Tranent	Small neighbourhood play space	0-4 years
Farriers Way, Tranent	Small neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Farriers Way, Tranent	Small neighbourhood play space	5-11 years
Farriers Way, Tranent	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years
Meeting House Drive, Tranent	Specific interest play space	0-17 years
Muir Park Play Area	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Ormiston Road, Tranent	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Polson Park, Tranent	Destination play space	0-17 years
Windygoul	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years

* Defined as:

- Small neighbourhood play space is a play space with 0-3 pieces of formal play equipment.
- Larger neighbourhood play space is a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.
- Destination play space is a play space with 14 or more pieces of formal play equipment.
- Specific interest play space is a play space with one large piece of equipment, for example a Multi-Use Game Area (MUGA), skate ramp, pump track or football pitch.

Figure 18: Tranent Map of Walking Distances to Formal Outdoor Play Spaces



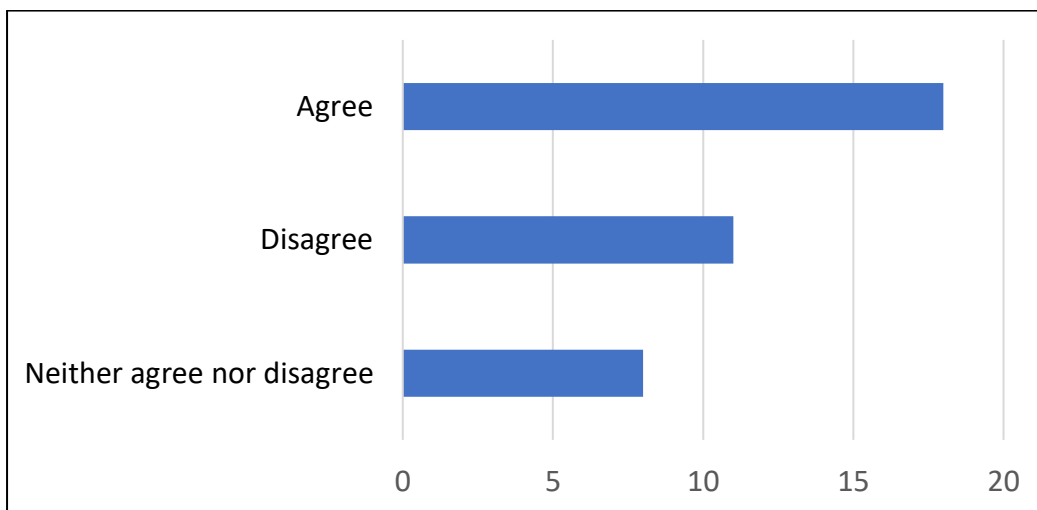
Green shading	5-minute walk
Orange shading	10-minute walk
Pink shading	15-minute walk

Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: **“Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”**, there were 37 responses.

The majority of respondents agreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for Tranent and Elphinstone Community Council Area.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	18	48.6%
Disagree	11	29.7%
Neither agree nor disagree	8	21.6%
Total	37	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 13 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- Respondents highlighted the lack of a formal play area in the north of Tranent, particularly in the catchment area for Sanderson's Wynd Primary School.
- Comments were received that the play areas in Tranent are in need of upgrading and improving, and in particular improving the range of play items for all ages and abilities including disabilities.
- Improved facilities for older children and teenagers was highlighted, such as a pump track or skate park area, and improving spaces for girls.
- Maintenance issues, litter and dog fouling were mentioned as concerns.
- Polson Park play area was particularly mentioned as in need of upgrading, improving and expanding.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 25 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- Respondents said there is a need for the play areas in Tranent to be upgraded and improved.
- There is a need for a formal play area in the north of Tranent, particularly providing play space for all age groups in Sanderson's Wynd Primary School catchment area, as this is currently lacking.
- There was mention of a lack of suitable provision for older children and teens, such as a destination hang-out space / café or destination skate park for older children.
- The need for improved provision of accessible and inclusive play for all abilities including ASN children were specifically highlighted, including wheelchair accessible equipment.
- Improving nature-based play was mentioned, including woodland areas for play in the large housing estates. Lack of green play spaces for children, particularly teenagers, to play or socialise with their friends.
- Improved maintenance and addressing anti-social behaviour issues such as littering and dog fouling were also mentioned.
- Polson Park play area is in need of upgrading and improvement.
- Muir Park play space has potential for improvement, particularly for disabled children and families, and there is an opportunity for more creative, sensory play area equipment.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Tranent and Elphinstone Community Council Area. The formal play spaces in the Tranent and Elphinstone area provide a range of play opportunities, although the opportunities for creative and nature-based play are more limited.

There was agreement with the findings from the Draft PSA that the formal play spaces in Tranent and Elphinstone currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

A key aspect that was highlighted in the consultation was the need for a formal play area in the north of Tranent, particularly providing play space for all age groups in Sanderson's Wynd Primary School catchment area. Provision for older children and teenagers in Tranent was felt to be insufficient.

2.18 Wallyford Community Council Area

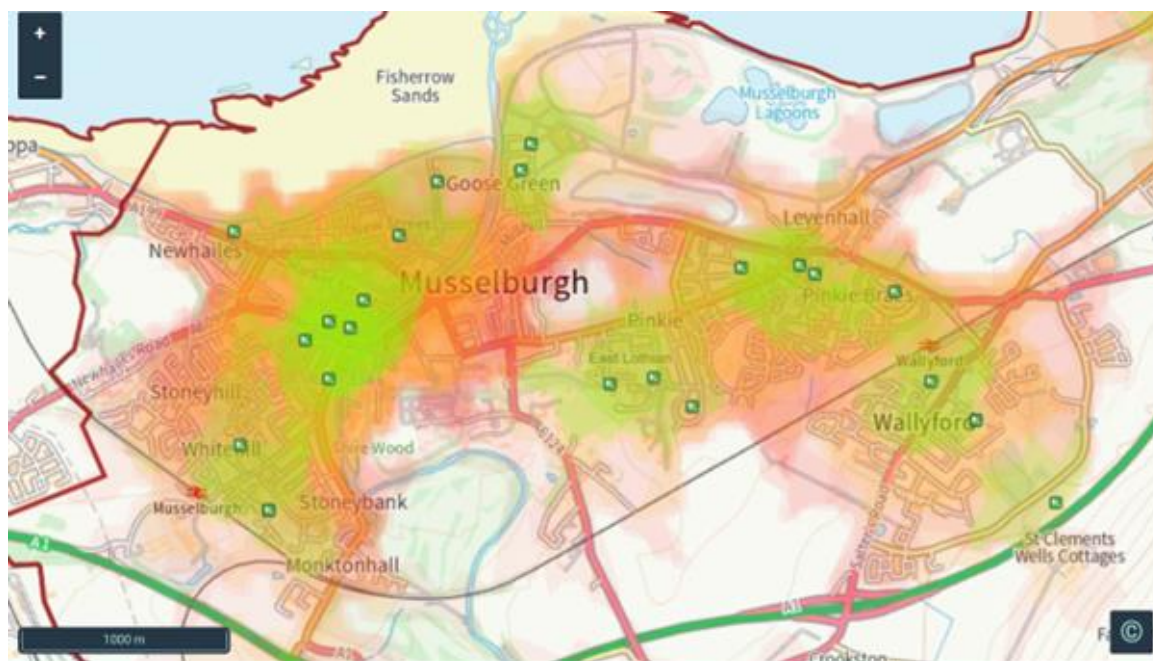
Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There are three council-owned formal play spaces in the Wallyford area. All three areas are larger neighbourhood play spaces* and provide formal play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range. The play spaces are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in the Wallyford area provide a wide range of opportunities for physical and risky play, and a range of opportunities for social play. Opportunities for nature-based and creative play are more limited. There is an inclusive roundabout in Wallyford New Park, but overall formal play spaces in the Wallyford area currently offer limited play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Wallyford New	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-15 years
Wallyford Park	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Wallyford Community Centre and MUGA	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years

* Larger neighbourhood play space is defined as a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.

Figure 19: Musselburgh and Wallyford Map of Walking Distances to Formal Outdoor Play Spaces



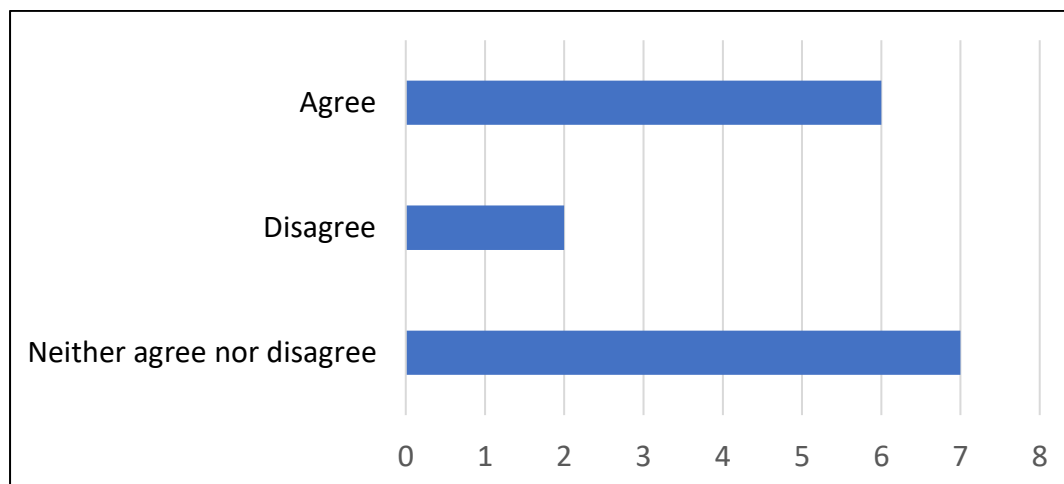
Green shading	5-minute walk
Orange shading	10-minute walk
Pink shading	15-minute walk

Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: **“Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”**, there were 15 responses.

The majority of respondents agreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for Wallyford Community Council Area, with a large proportion neither agreeing nor disagreeing.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	6	40.0%
Disagree	2	13.3%
Neither agree nor disagree	7	46.7%
Total	15	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 3 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- Comments were received that the levels of accessible and inclusive play for all abilities in this area are not sufficient.
- Positive feedback was received about the new Wallyford play area. However, the lack of inclusive surfacing, with only one wheelchair accessible roundabout, was mentioned as a concern.
- The play area at Wallyford Community Centre is in need of replacement and upgrading.
- The beach was suggested as another important play space.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 3 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- Comments were received that the levels of accessible and inclusive play in this area are not sufficient, and more accessible play equipment is needed for this community.
- The play area at Wallyford Community Centre was particularly highlighted as in urgent need of replacement, upgrading and improvement.

- The play area in Wallyford Park would benefit from upgrading.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Wallyford Community Council Area.

There was agreement with the findings from the Draft PSA that the formal play spaces in Wallyford currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Specific play areas were highlighted by respondents as in need of improvement and upgrading.

2.19 West Barns Community Council Area

Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

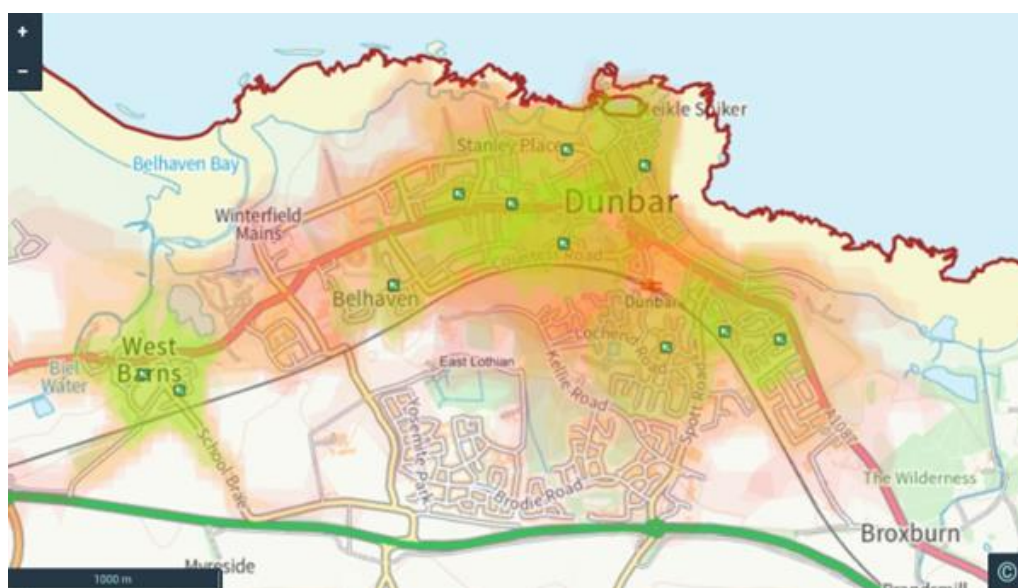
There are three council-owned formal play spaces in the West Barns area. Two areas are larger neighbourhood play spaces and one is a destination play space*. The formal play spaces in West Barns offer play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range. The play spaces are well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play spaces in the West Barns area provide a wide range of opportunities for physical and risky play, and a range of opportunities for social and nature-based play. Opportunities for creative play are more limited. John Muir Country Park offers a wide range of physical and imaginary play opportunities in a natural environment. The formal play spaces in the West Barns area currently offer limited play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
John Muir Country Park	Destination play space	0-17 years
School Brae, West Barns	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years
Springfield, West Barns	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-11 years

*Defined as:

- Larger neighbourhood play space is a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.
- Destination play space is a play space with 14 or more pieces of formal play equipment.

Figure 20: West Barns Map of Walking Distances to Formal Outdoor Play Spaces



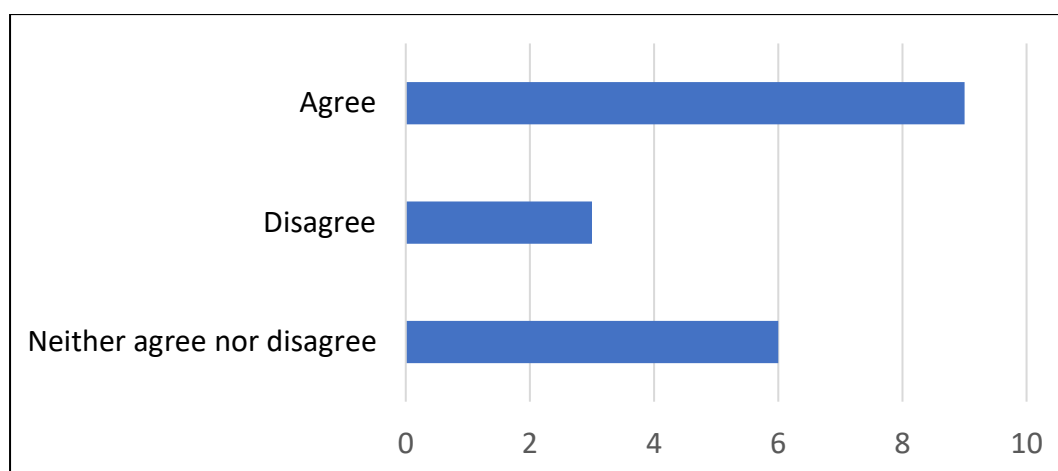
Green shading	5-minute walk
Orange shading	10-minute walk
Pink shading	15-minute walk

Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: **“Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”**, there were 18 responses.

The majority of respondents agreed with the key points in the Draft PSA for the West Barns Community Council Area.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	9	50.0%
Disagree	3	16.7%
Neither agree nor disagree	6	33.3%
Total	18	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 3 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- Comments were received that the levels of accessible and inclusive play for all abilities, particularly ASN children, in this area are not sufficient.
- A comment was received that none of these play areas meets the needs of older children.
- The play area at School Brae was mentioned as being poorly maintained and the play equipment in need of upgrading, particularly for children with additional needs. Natural play opportunities such as logs or small mounds were suggested as improvements for this play area.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 6 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- A key aspect highlighted by respondents was the need to improve the accessibility and inclusion of these play areas.
- Improvements suggested included upgrading and replacing the play equipment including more challenging play equipment, natural play opportunities such as logs, expanding play experiences, more natural wooden equipment to promote nature connection. More consultation with stakeholders.
- The play area at School Brae is particularly in need of replacing, upgrading and improving.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for West Barns Community Council Area.

There was agreement with the findings from the Draft PSA that the formal play spaces in West Barns currently offer minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

School Brae play area was highlighted as in need of improvement and upgrading, and improving the provision of natural play opportunities.

2.20 Whitecraig Community Council Area

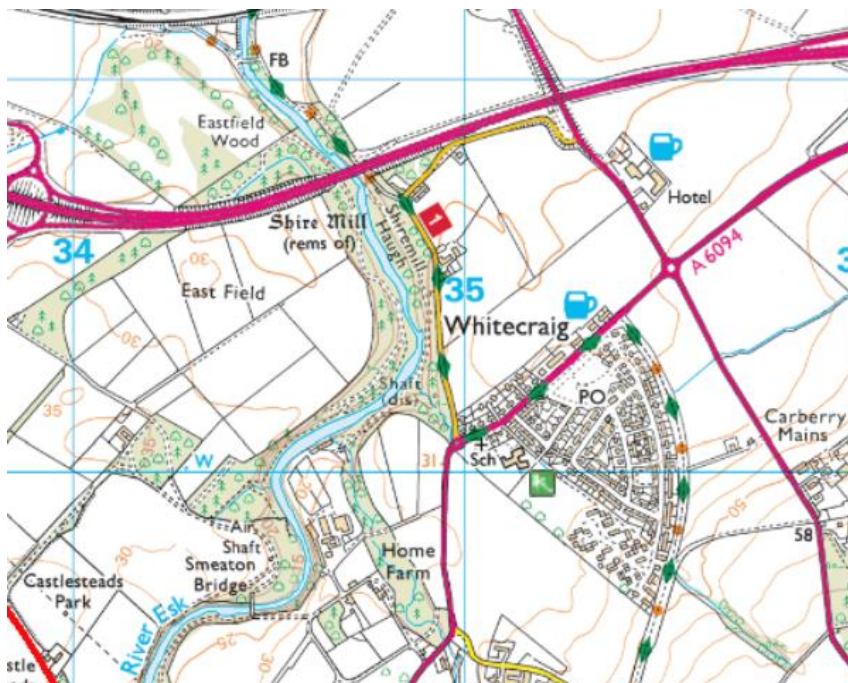
Findings from the Draft Play Sufficiency Assessment (PSA) undertaken by Play Scotland:

There is one council-owned formal play space in the Whitecraig area. The space is a larger neighbourhood play space* with ten pieces of fixed play equipment including a MUGA. The play space provides formal play opportunities across the full 0-17 age range and is well maintained, clean, and free from noise and traffic pollution. The formal play space in Whitecraig provides a range of opportunities for physical play, and some opportunities for risky and social play. Opportunities for nature-based and creative play are more limited. The MUGA is accessible, but the formal play space in Whitecraig currently offers minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Formal Play Space	Play Space Type*	Play Equipment Target Age Range
Whitecraig Play Space and MUGA	Larger neighbourhood play space	0-17 years

* Larger neighbourhood play space is defined as a play space with 4-13 pieces of formal play equipment.

Figure 21: Whitecraig Community Council Formal Outdoor Play Spaces

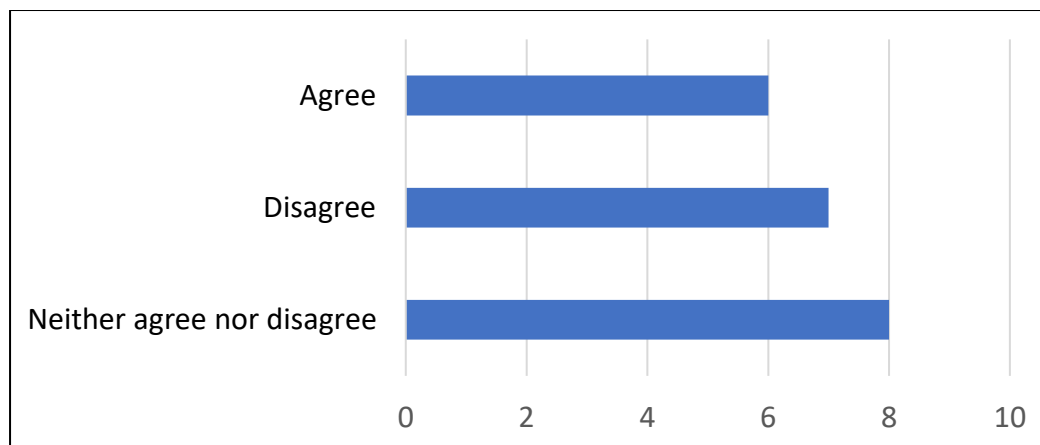


Findings from the Public Consultation on the Draft PSA for this Community Council Area:

In response to the consultation question: **“Do you agree that we have captured the key points for the play spaces in this area?”**, there were 21 responses.

Similar numbers of respondents agreed as disagreed with this question for the Whitecraig Community Council Area, although numbers are small with slightly more saying they disagreed and a majority neither agreeing nor disagreeing.

Responses to this part of the question are shown below:



Option	Total	Percent
Agree	6	28.6%
Disagree	7	33.3%
Neither agree nor disagree	8	38.1%
Total	21	100.0%

Those who disagreed with the key points for this area were asked: **“If not, is there anything else that we have missed that you think should be included in this local area?”**

There were 8 responses to this part of the question. Key areas highlighted by respondents were:

- Respondents commented that the play area in Whitecraig is insufficient and in need of upgrading and improving.
- In particular, expanding the range of play items for a wider range of ages and abilities was mentioned, to improve accessibility and inclusion.
- Poor maintenance regimes, dog fouling, lack of a gate and lighting, poor surfacing and an inaccessible ‘ramp’ at the entrance were mentioned as specific problems.
- Suggestions for improvements included nature related play scheme ideas and expanding provision for older children such as skateboard /bike ramps.

Respondents were then asked: **“What would be your priority for addressing in relation to the findings for this local area?”**.

There were 9 responses to this part of the question. These included the following main points:

- Respondents commented that Whitecraig play area would benefit from upgrading and improving, and particularly improving accessibility and inclusion for a range of ages and abilities.

- Upgrading suggestions for the play area included swings, slides, tree houses, climbing frames, trampoline, and improving the surfacing.
- Increasing play provision for older children and teenagers was specifically mentioned, with suggestions including a skate park.
- Further improvements suggested included natural landscaping, seating, lighting, security, access, maintenance, cleaning and reinstating the gate.
- A comment was received that children want all children to play together and have the right to play respectfully. Children want children to go and play with them, a safe place to go, make it fair for younger kids, colourful playful streets and paths, playful and creative places.

Comment on consultation findings:

In general, the public consultation responses agreed with the Draft PSA assessment for Whitecraig Community Council Area. The formal play space in Whitecraig provides a range of opportunities for physical play, and some opportunities for risky and social play although opportunities for nature-based and creative play are more limited.

There was agreement with the findings from the Draft PSA that the formal play space in Whitecraig currently offers minimal play opportunities for disabled children and families.

Respondents said that provision for older children and teens could be enhanced, and the play area is in need of upgrading and improving.

In relation to maintenance of the play area, all of the council's play areas are subject to an ongoing and continual safety inspection and maintenance regime. Older play equipment can appear 'dirty' due to weathering although the equipment is still safe to use.

The gate at this play area was removed as it was continually being damaged. Fencing around play areas is unnecessary for safety reasons when the play area is within an enclosed park, and does not necessarily resolve irresponsible dog ownership issues including dog fouling, however, there is a need to have a balance, with enclosed play areas required in some locations.