

## Zetland Park Masterplan Consultation Report

**Overview:** The masterplan consultation took place between 17<sup>th</sup> December and the 22<sup>nd</sup> February and was available:

- Electronically online at [say.falkirk.gov.uk](http://say.falkirk.gov.uk)
  - open to all members public – 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018- 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019
  - open to students of Grangemouth High School - 8<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>th</sup> February 2019
- Paper format (drawings and questionnaires)
  - Grangemouth Sports Complex: 7<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> January 2019
  - Grangemouth Library: 7<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> January 2019
  - Kersiebank Community Project: 7<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> January 2019
  - Bowhouse Community Centre: 8<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> January 2019
  - Talbot House: 16<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> January 2019
- Consultation event
  - Zetland Park bowling club: 12<sup>th</sup> January 2019

A total of 681 people responded to the consultation

### Q 1: Are you answering this survey as an individual or on behalf of an organisation?

Individual (674)	98.97%
Organisation (6)	0.89%
Not Answered (1)	0.15%

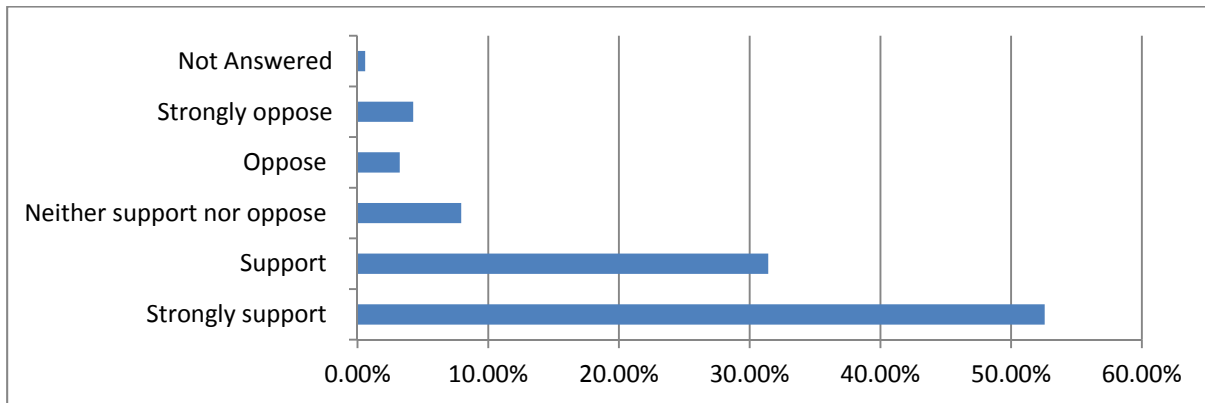
### Q2: If you are replying on behalf of an organisation, which organisation?

War Memorials Trust  
 Scottish Natural Heritage  
 Bug Life  
 Kape (Kersiebank) x 2  
 Friends of Inchyra Park

### Q3: Do you support or oppose the proposals contained within the masterplan?

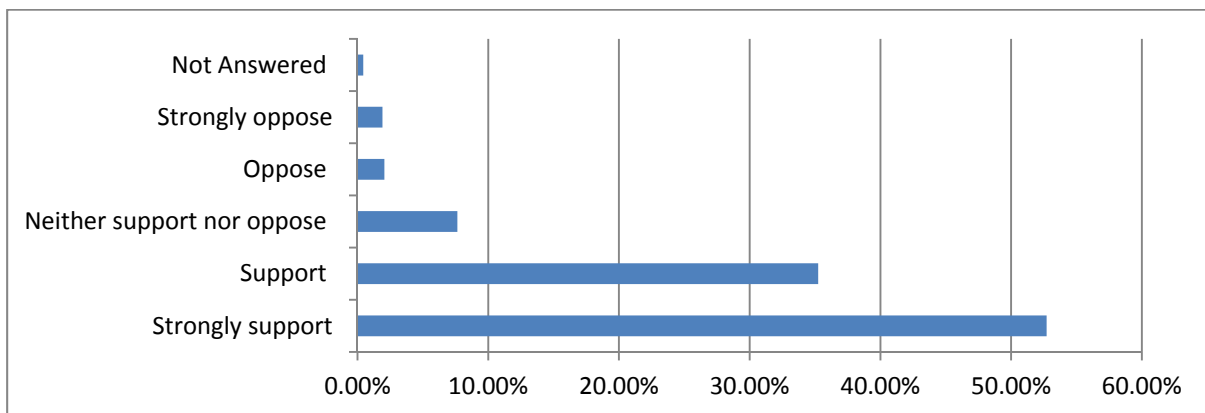
Strongly support	(358)	52.57%
Support	(214)	31.42%
Neither support nor oppose	(54)	7.93%
Oppose	(22)	3.23%

Strongly oppose	(29)	4.26%
Not Answered	(4)	0.59%



**Q4: Do you support or oppose the proposals for landscaping around the war memorial and restored fountain?**

Strongly support	(359)	52.72%
Support	(240)	35.24%
Neither support nor oppose	(52)	7.64%
Oppose	(14)	2.06%
Strongly oppose	(13)	1.91%
Not Answered	(3)	0.44%



**Q5: Do you have any comments about the proposals for landscaping around the war memorial and restored fountain?**

Total number of people providing comments: 101

74% of comments were from people who support or strongly support proposals

- 24 supportive statements
- 10 comment about proposals for tree removal
- 9 comments about proposed landscaping materials
- 7 comments about access proposals
- 8 comments about planting proposals
- 5 comments about lighting proposals
- 3 comments about cost and funding
- 3 comments about maintenance proposals
- 3 comments about proposals for the fountain

- 2 comments about maintenance of the war memorial
- 2 comment about proposals for the park gates
- 1 comment about impact of flood defences
- 1 comment about proposals for interpretation
- 1 comment about the necessity of proposals
- 1 comment about seating
- 1 comment about consultation
- 1 comment about respect for war dead

10% of comments were from people who neither support nor oppose proposals.

- 4 comments about proposals for tree removal
- 2 comments about proposed landscaping materials
- 1 comment about proposals for the gates
- 1 comment about the necessity of proposals
- 1 supportive statement
- 1 comment about access proposals
- 1 comment about potential for watercourse naturalisation

16% of comments were from people who oppose or strongly oppose proposals

- 10 comments about the necessity of proposals
- 3 comments about access proposals
- 3 comments about proposed landscaping materials
- 3 comments about proposals for tree removal
- 3 comment about cost and funding
- 1 comment about proposals for the fountain
- 1 comment about proposals about planting proposals

### **Overall top 3 issues**

- 17 comments about proposals for tree removal
- 15 comments about proposed landscaping materials
- 11 comments about access proposals

### **Landscaping comments summary**

#### Access – 11 comments

- Access ramp for the disabled needed (2)
- Concern over the suitability of coloured aggregate as a surface for wheelchair use as loose aggregate would be impossible for wheelchairs.
- Anti-slip surfaces requested
- Central location of the ramped access distracts from the significance of the stepped base.
- Needs to be child friendly
- Great idea to renovate as a permanent feature to allow disabled people to safely get up close to the monument

#### Cost and funding – 5 comments

- Keep costs to the minimum
- Interest in where funding is coming from
- Money better spent on other masterplan elements
- Would Grangemouth businesses sponsor the project?
- You are throwing pointless amount of money at something that will be destroyed

#### Consultation – 1 comment

- Consult with veterans and get their opinion

#### Flood defences – 1 comment

- Concern that the avenue of trees alongside the burn may be lost as a consequence of flood defence proposals

#### Fountain – 4 comments

- Statue of a naked woman requested.
- Design should retain as much of the original as possible
- Functional fountain would be a safety hazard
- A functional fountain would cost too much to restore and maintain
- The bowl used as a place to dump cigarettes

#### Gates – 3 comments

- Retain as many original features as possible
- The gates should not be altered as they are part of the war memorial
- The gates need to be fixed

#### Interpretation – 1 comment

- Request for wildlife interpretation boards

#### Lighting – 5 comments

- Improved lighting requested for memorial and fountain

#### Maintenance – 4 comments

- Existing flower beds are not maintained
- Ongoing maintenance should be considered
- Weed growth through aggregate paths will be an on-going maintenance issue

#### Materials – 15 comments

- Sandstone would be a more sympathetic material than granite.
- Coloured paths should be sympathetic not garish
- Coloured aggregate can quickly discolour and look shabby
- Coloured aggregate isn't a robust enough surface for a well-used public space.
- Aggregate is susceptible to weed growth
- Gravel will get onto grass areas and could damage grass cutting machinery.
- Coloured paths are unnecessary
- Dislike the coloured paths
- A hard surface would be preferable to loose stone
- Loose aggregate paths will be expensive to replace
- Mosaic feature requested (poppies, a fallen soldier)
- Even and smooth paths requested
- Anti-slip surfaces requested

#### Memorial – 2 comments

- Weather proofing of the memorial to prevent further damage would be useful
- It would be useful to find a way of removing bird mess and moss growth

#### Necessity – 5 comments

- Funding would be better used elsewhere within the park (3) e.g. teen provision, sundial
- it looks good the way it is it does not need changed
- all seriousness no one pays attention to it

#### Planting – 8 comments

- Variety of planting for year round colour requested.
- Raised planting requested
- Poppy planting requested (3)
- Native planting requested
- The existing planting is old and mostly dead
- More flowers requested

#### Respect– 2 comments

- Area should be respectful
- Just try to respect the veterans

#### Seating – 1 comment

- Additional seating in and around the war memorial and fountain requested

#### Supportive statements – 25 comments

#### Tree removal – 17 comments

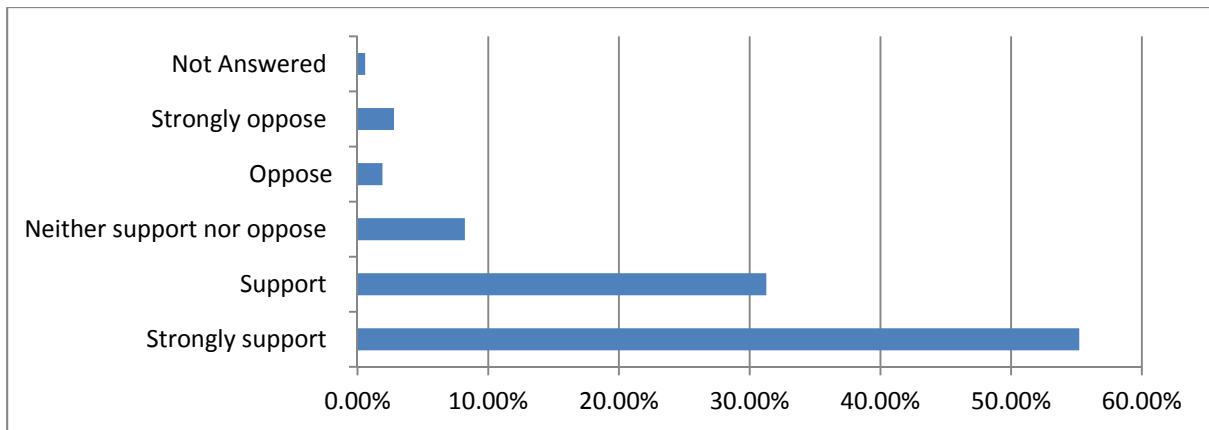
- Removal of existing trees should be avoided
- Any removed trees should be transplanted to elsewhere
- Important to establish whether any of the planting around the war memorial holds any special significance
- Is tree removal necessary?

#### Watercourse naturalisation – 1 comment

- Opportunities for watercourse naturalisation of the Grange Burn should be explored.

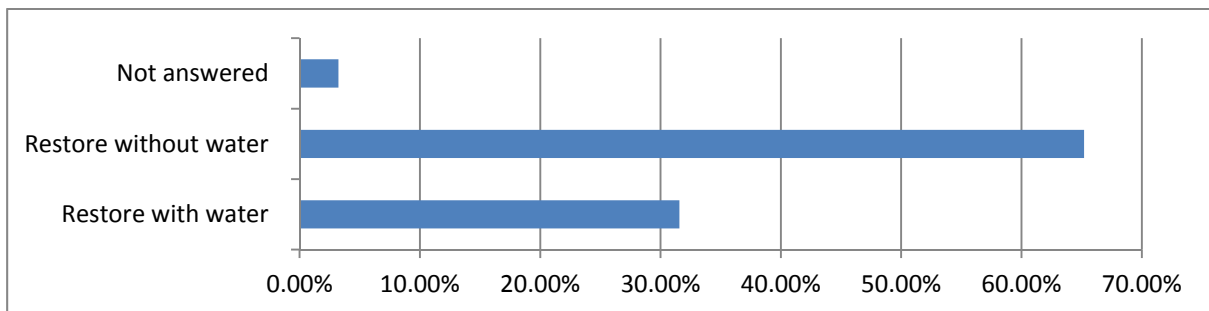
#### **Q6: Do you support or oppose the proposal to restore and refurbish the fountain?**

Strongly support	(376)	55.21%
Support	(213)	31.28%
Neither support nor oppose	(56)	8.22%
Oppose	(13)	1.91%
Strongly oppose	(19)	2.79%
Not Answered	(4)	0.59%



**Q7: Restoring the fountain to working order is likely to be very costly due to the complexity of the project. There is a possibility that costs could increase to beyond the level of funding available for delivering the masterplan.**

- Restore the fountain, but not to convey water, so that all elements of the masterplan can proceed: (444) 65.20%
- Restore the fountain to working order knowing that other elements of the masterplan may not be able to progress: (215) 31.57%
- Not answered (22) 3.23%



**Q8: Do you have any other comments about the proposed restoration and refurbishment of the fountain?**

Total number of people providing comments: 104

77 % of comments were from people who supported or strongly supported the proposals

- 33 comments about the operability of the fountain
- 19 comments about the affordability of restoration proposals
- 16 comments about proposals for funding the fountain restoration
- 11 supportive statements about proposals for fountain restoration
- 4 comment about design proposals for fountain restoration
- 2 comments about potential vandalism of the fountain
- 1 comment about accessibility to the fountain
- 1 comment about an alternative proposal to replace a restored and refurbished fountain

9% of comments were from people who neither supported nor opposed the proposals

- 5 comments about the affordability of restoration proposals
- 2 comments about the operability of the fountain
- 1 comments about proposals for funding the fountain restoration
- 1 comment about the necessity of proposals to restore the fountain

14% of comments were from people who opposed or strongly opposed the proposals

- 4 comments about the affordability of restoration proposals
- 3 comments about the operability of the fountain
- 3 comments about potential vandalism of the fountain
- 3 comments about the necessity of proposals to restore the fountain
- 3 comments about proposals for funding the fountain restoration
- 1 comment about design proposals for fountain restoration
- 1 comment about design features of fountain

### **Overall top 3 issues**

- 34 comments about the operability of the fountain
- 28 comments about the affordability of restoration proposals
- 19 comments about proposals for funding the fountain restoration

### **Fountain comments summary:**

#### Access – 1 comment

- Access to the fountain needs to be wheelchair friendly

#### Affordability – 28 comments

- Concern at fountain restoration going forward at the expense of other masterplan projects, particularly those which will benefit children
- Restoring the fountain to working order would be too expensive
- Fountain restoration is not a priority
- Fountain restoration is a priority
- Restoring the fountain to working order could be a future priority
- Scale of proposed restoration work is unnecessary
- The Council cannot afford to restore the fountain
- How much more expensive would it be to restore the fountain to working order?

#### Alternative – 4 comments

- Could the fountain be lit instead of returned to working order?
- Could the fountain be replaced by another feature rather than restored?
- Could the fountain be replaced by a still body of water with a central feature?

#### Design – 6 comments

- The design in the plans appears to be different from the original i.e. where the cherubs are.
- The new design should not be in bright vibrant colours.
- If the design can't match the original then the new design should interpret local heritage or something residents can relate to.
- A different figurine should go at the top of the fountain
- Try not to take the little candle like things off the side. They should stay on the fountain.
- Put a cone on top like the horse in Glasgow
- The water fountain should have names of those who fought in the war to remember them

#### Funding – 19 comments

- Cost should be managed to deliver the fountain restoration within budget
- Can corporate funding be sought?
- Can additional community fundraising be sought?
- Additional funding from the lottery should be sought.
- Funds should be raised to pay to restore fountain to working order at a later date.

- Additional funding should be sought for other masterplan projects to allow their funding to be diverted into the fountain restoration.
- Which other masterplan projects would be affected if the cost of fountain restoration rises?
- Fountain restoration should be put on hold until sufficient funds are secured to return it to working order.
- Attempts to restore the fountain would be wasteful of limited resources.

#### Interpretation – 1 comment

- Some interpretation should be installed to provide details of the original donor of the fountain.

#### Maintenance – 1 comment

- Restoring the fountain will increase maintenance costs

#### Necessity – 3 comments

- Restoring the fountain isn't necessary (2)
- Just make it look smart!
- Money would be better spent elsewhere

#### Operability – 38 comments

- Fountain must be fully functioning
- A functioning fountain in Zetland Park is an essential part of Grangemouth's history
- A fully functioning fountain would be lovely
- A restored fountain which didn't hold water would be sad.
- If the fountain isn't to be restored to working order, then nothing should be spent on it.
- Fountain could be made fully functioning at a later date
- No need to make fully functioning
- We need to make more of a feature of water
- A fully restored fountain would only break down
- Could the water pump be solar powered?
- Fountain used to be connected to a fresh water mains supply and overflowed to a drain. The new design should be more environmentally friendly.
- Don't understand why restoring the fountain to working order should be so complex
- Water should come out the top
- Fountain should either work properly or be scrapped (2)
- There should be a constant flow of water

#### Supportive statements – 11 comments

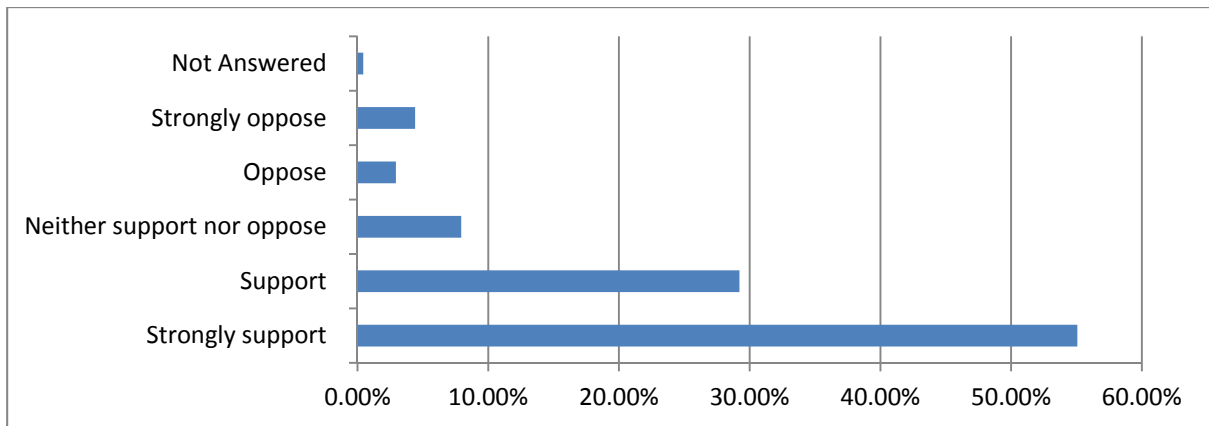
#### Vandalism – 5 comments

- A fully functioning fountain would only attract vandals
- Having a fully functioning fountain would reduce potential for vandalism

#### **Q9: Do you support or oppose the proposals for a naturalised pond?**

Strongly support	(375)	55.07%
Support	(199)	29.22%
Neither support nor oppose	(54)	7.93%
Oppose	(20)	2.94%
Strongly oppose	(30)	4.41%
Not Answered	(3)	0.44%





**Q10: Do you have any other comments about the proposal for the naturalised pond?**

Total number of people providing comments: 146

71% of comments were from people who supported or strongly supported the proposals:

- 46 supportive statements about proposals for the pond
- 13 comments about safety
- 9 comments about maintenance of the pond
- 9 comments about the biodiversity of the pond
- 6 comments about antisocial behaviour
- 6 comments about the potential for boating in the pond
- 5 comments about litter
- 4 comments about an alternative pond design
- 2 comments about accessibility to the pond
- 2 comment about the potential for pond dipping
- 2 comments about lighting of the pond
- 2 comment about the potential for paddling in the pond
- 2 comment about seating
- 1 comment about the functionality of the pond
- 1 comment about the potential for flooding
- 1 comment about vandalism of the pond

10% of comments were from people who neither supported nor opposed the proposals

- 3 comments about the functionality of the pond
- 3 comments about an alternative pond design
- 3 comments about safety
- 2 comments about litter
- 2 comments about the potential for paddling in the pond
- 2 comment about the potential for pond dipping
- 1 comment about the potential for boating in the pond
- 1 comment about the inclusivity of pond design
- 1 comment about the necessity of the pond

19% of comments were from people who opposed or strongly opposed the proposals

- 13 comments about an alternative pond design
- 5 comments about antisocial behaviour
- 6 comments about safety
- 4 comments about maintenance of the pond
- 3 comments about the necessity of the pond
- 3 comments about the potential for boating in the pond

- 2 comments about litter
- 1 comment about the functionality of the pond
- 1 unsupportive statement about proposals for the pond
- 1 comment about affordability

### **Overall top 3 issues**

- 23 comments about safety
- 20 comments about an alternative pond design
- 13 comments about maintenance of the pond

### **Pond comments summary:**

#### Accessibility – 2 comments

- Use of coloured aggregate could cause an issue for wheelchairs
- Ensure all areas are wheelchair accessible

#### Affordability – 2 comment

- Waste of money

#### Alternative – 20 comments

- Pond should be filled in, planted up and used as a seating area.
- This area should be used as a skate park
- This area should be used as a community fishery
- This area should be used to provide something for kids
- This would be an ideal place for new toilets
- This area should be used as a play area
- The pond design should incorporate a substantial fountain
- The pond design should incorporate a stage
- The pond design should incorporate solar lighting and cascading water.
- The pond should incorporate splash play

#### Antisocial behaviour – 11 comments

- The pond would be abused by teenagers
- The pond would be easily vandalised
- The pond would be damaged at night time
- Animals in the pond could be hurt by antisocial behaviour
- Could lighting and CCTV be installed to deter vandalism
- Some protective measures for wildlife would be needed

#### Bike storage – 1 comment

#### Biodiversity – 6 comments

- The pond should be designed for native plants and animals
- Wildlife must be considered as a priority over all other masterplan proposals
- Minimising the areas of hard, formal edges to the pond will improve its wildlife potential
- Areas of natural landscaping should ideally include a variety of plant species of different sizes and structures
- a variety of depths across the open water area will improve the pond's wildlife potential
- incorporating islands into the design will provide a safe area for animal species which may be prone to disturbance by people and dogs
- The planting scheme should ideally include species which will attract and support a variety of invertebrates

- Piranhas should be introduced into the pond
- The team from Jupiter Park and local schools should be invited to input into pond design
- Add fish to the pond
- Make sure it's not full of planting
- Don't add fish to pond

#### Boating – 10 comments

- Pond should be restored for boating (model, pedal and paddle)

#### Dipping – 4 comments

- Pond dipping should be free
- Pond dipping is not supported
- Pond dipping piers at the Helix were removed soon after their installation
- Unlikely that people will go pond dipping

#### Flooding – 1 comment

- How would the pond relate to drainage and flooding in the immediate area?

#### Functionality – 5 comments

- The pond leaks and it will cost too much to seal
- The pond will end up as a breeding ground for rubbish
- The grassy areas will quickly get muddy/ messy due to our climate

#### Inclusivity – 1 comment

- The pond will help the park to become more inclusive as autistic children are often attracted to water.

#### Lighting – 2 comments

- The pond should be lit to show it off.
- Solar powered lighting should be used.

#### Litter – 9 comments

- The pond will end up as a breeding ground for rubbish and become an eyesore
- Ensure there are litter bins next to the pond
- Ensure the pond is regularly emptied of debris
- Ensure the pond to not too deep to discourage fly tipping

#### Maintenance – 12 comments

- Concern at how the pond will be maintained
- So long as the pond is adequately maintained it will be positive
- How will bird droppings around the pond be dealt with?
- Maintenance of the pond will be too costly
- Make sure that the pond does not get dirty

#### Necessity – 4 comments

- Pond facilities are already available at the Helix, the Grange Burn and Jupiter Wildlife Centre

#### Paddling – 4 comments

- Can the new pond contain a paddling pool?

#### Puzzles – 1 comment

### Safety – 20 comments

- Drunks may fall into the pond and die
- Concerned about the safety of young/ vulnerable people (2)
- The pond should have a surrounding railing (4)
- The pond edges should be softened to improve safety
- Too dangerous
- Dogs would swim in the pond and disturb wildlife
- The pond proposals will improve the safety of this dangerous area of the park

### Seating – 2 comments

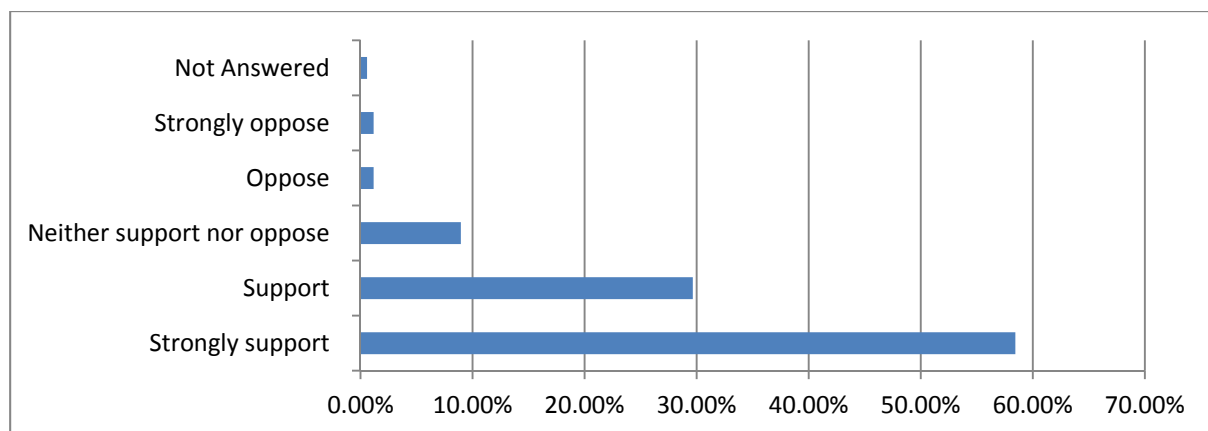
- More seating will be needed in the summer
- Unsure about proposals for a seating wall

### Vandalism – 1 comment

- Will be vandalised

### **Q11: Do you support or oppose improving the play area?**

Strongly support	(398)	58.44%
Support	(202)	29.66%
Neither support nor oppose	(61)	8.96%
Oppose	(8)	1.17%
Strongly oppose	(8)	1.17%
Not Answered	(4)	0.59%



### **Q12: Do you have any ideas about how the play area should be improved and what it should contain?**

Total number of people providing comments: 154

92% of comments were from people who supported or strongly supported the proposals

- 31 comments about inclusive play
- 29 comments about accessible play
- 12 comments about swings
- 9 comments about toilets
- 9 comments about a skatepark
- 9 comments about zip slides
- 8 comments about the need for new play equipment
- 8 comments about climbing
- 7 comments about health and fitness
- 7 comments about safety

- 7 comments about slides
- 6 supportive comments about play area proposals
- 6 comments about seating
- 6 comments about the use of sand
- 6 comments about fencing of the play area
- 5 comments about cycle skills
- 5 comments about segregated play
- 5 comments about picnic benches
- 5 comment about trampolines
- 4 comments about dynamic play equipment
- 4 comments about play equipment for all ages
- 4 comments about consultation
- 4 comments about materials
- 4 comments about the need for robust play equipment
- 4 comments about roundabouts
- 3 comments about natural play
- 3 comments about water play
- 3 comments about lighting
- 3 comments about maintenance
- 3 comments about football
- 2 comments about the need to exclude dogs
- 2 comments about new equipment
- 2 comments about an alternative location for the play area
- 2 comment about best practice examples of play areas elsewhere
- 2 comments about interpretive play
- 2 comments about a variety of play equipment
- 2 comments about play equipment for teens
- 2 comments about a pump track
- 2 comments about seesaws
- 2 comment about junior play equipment
- 2 comment about a multi-use games area
- 1 comment about the need for a bigger play area
- 1 comment about the need for CCTV
- 1 comment about the need for the play area to be clean
- 1 comment about play equipment for the elderly
- 1 comment about imaginative play
- 1 comment about a maze
- 1 comment requesting more play equipment
- 1 comment about themed play equipment
- 1 comment about the need for fun play equipment
- 1 comment about an additional play area
- 1 comment about technology
- 1 comment about antisocial behaviour
- 1 comment about play for toddlers

6% of comments were from people who neither supported nor opposed the proposals

- 2 comments about accessible play
- 2 supportive comments
- 1 comment about affordability
- 1 comment about cycle skills
- 1 comment about bike storage

- 1 comment about climbing
- 1 comment about slides
- 1 comment about puzzles
- 1 comment about maintenance
- 1 comment about safety
- 1 comment about fun

3% of comments were from people who opposed or strongly opposed the proposals

- 2 supportive comments
- 1 comment about an additional play area
- 1 comment about zip slides
- 1 comment about teens

### **Overall top 3 issues**

- 31 comments about accessible play
- 31 comments about inclusive play
- 12 comments about swings

### **Play ideas comments summary**

#### Accessible play – 31 comments

- More wheelchair accessible equipment needed
- More equipment needed for disabled users
- Play area should have an area for disabled/ wheelchair users
- Stop excluding children with disabilities from Falkirk's parks
- The play area should be suitable for disabled children
- Need for a wheelchair swing
- Smooth and level play surfacing is essential
- Play area should be accessible to people with mobility or sensory impairment

#### Antisocial behaviour – 1 comment

- The play area has long been a gathering point for large groups of teenagers at night time

#### Additional play area – 2 comments

- Another play area is needed near the pavilion
- There are no play facilities at the southern end of the park

#### Affordability – 1 comment

- Other masterplan proposals are a higher priority

#### All ages – 4 comments

- Play equipment needs to cater for multiple age groups
- All ages should be allowed to interact

#### Alternative location – 2 comments

- The play area would be better located at the southern end of the park

#### Best practice - 3 comment

- Play areas in Angus Council are fab!
- Take inspiration from play areas at the Helix and Callendar Park
- Something similar to Ruoken Glen

#### Bigger – 1 comment

- The current play area is cramped and should be expanded

#### Bike storage – 1 comment

- There is a need for secure bike storage

#### CCTV – 1 comment

- CCTV is needed

#### Clean – 1 comment

- The play area needs to be clean

#### Climbing – 9 comments

- Spider web should be renewed
- Keep the spider web
- Need plenty for kids to climb on
- New climbing frame/tower needed
- Bigger spider web like the Helix

#### Consultation – 4 comments

- Consultation with local schools should be carried out
- Play area design should be child led

#### Cycle skills – 6 comments

- The cycle skills area is great and well used
- Cycle skills area should be kept
- Mock traffic lights should be added to the cycle skills area
- Cycle skills area should be improved
- Signage should be improved giving guidance on best way to use the area and who to approach for further cycling information

#### Dynamic play – 4 comments

- More focus on climbing, slides and obstacles to keep kids active
- Improve the adventurous elements of the play area, children need to be able to take risks and learn from trial and error.
- Need a climbing frame, witches hat and bars for children to swing upside down from
- Need climbing/ obstacle based activities for all ages pulling up/ upper body/ salmon run balance / gymnastic hoops / circus trapeze / hoop rope swings

#### Elderly play – 1 comment

- Play equipment for the elderly should be a priority

#### Fencing – 6 comments

- A high lockable perimeter fence is needed (5)
- Include lockable gate

#### Football – 3 comments

- Include football pitch

#### Fun – 2 comments

- The play area should be fun but also clean and safe

#### Health and fitness – 7 comments

- Outdoor gym equipment needed
- Kids gym equipment needed
- A fitness trail is needed
- Develop health and fitness of young people by providing space to enjoy play

#### Imaginative play – 1 comment

- Creative, imaginative play elements should be included - not just pre-fabricated 'play equipment'.

#### Inclusive play – 31 comments

- The play area should be more inclusive
- Current play surfacing excludes children with disabilities from some parts of the play area.
- The play area should accommodate children, adults and disabled people playing together
- The play area should incorporate sensory elements e.g. colours, flowers mixed in with play equipment and running water.
- The play area needs a wheelchair swing, wheelchair roundabout and play equipment with high sides.
- The play area should be fully accessible for children with additional support needs, and mobility or sensory impairment
- Should be more for disabled kids

#### Interpretive play – 2 comments

- The play area should have a theme linked to the port, aerodrome or industry
- The Charlotte Dundas should be represented in some form
- There should be an industrial climbing area with distillation towers and cooling towers and walkway representations to reflect the modern industry of the town.

#### Juniors – 2 comments

- The park should have a younger children's area
- More play equipment for 7-12 year olds

#### Lighting – 3 comments

- Lighting should be improved to allow use during winter months
- Additional lighting would deter gatherings of teenagers

#### Maintenance – 4 comments

- Will the play area be maintained?
- New play equipment should be easy to maintain
- Who maintains the play area and how often is it maintained?
- Re-paint structures

#### Materials – 4 comments

- Natural looking materials should be used set within landscaped areas
- Natural or recycled materials should be used for play equipment
- Wooden play equipment should be used as there is no issue with chipped paint.

#### Maze – 1 comment

- A maze would be good like it used to have many years ago

#### Monkey bars – 1 comment

- Include monkey bars



#### More – 1 comment

- More entertainment is needed in the park, it is very big with little to do

#### Multi Use Games Area – 2 comment

- A suitable multi use play pitch should be incorporated for older kids
- Basketball/football mugga needed

#### Natural play – 4 comments

- The play area should include features which enable engagement with the natural environment
- The play area should look natural with some trees and a garden

#### New – 10 comments

- The play area needs brought up to date
- The play area needs contemporary equipment
- The ring and ropes aren't used much and should be replaced with something new
- New features are needed to refresh the area
- Parts of the existing play area are past their best
- New equipment needed (2)

#### No dogs – 2 comments

- Keep dogs out
- Install signage noting that the play area is not for dogs
- People ignore existing no dogs signage

#### Picnic benches – 5 comments

- More picnic tables to watch children play from
- More picnic areas

#### Pump track – 3 comments

- A pump track would enhance provision for cycling
- A pump track for scooters and bikes would be good for older kids
- BMX track

#### Puzzles – 1 comment

- Interactive puzzles please

#### Robust – 4 comments

- Expensive easily broken equipment should be avoided
- Equipment needs to be affordable to repair
- Wear and tear must be addressed to ensure safety
- Make sure any zip line is vandal proof.

#### Roundabout – 4 comments

- A pedal powered roundabout would keep older kids entertained
- A mini roundabout next to a replaced original please
- Traditional items like roundabouts should be kept
- Bigger roundabout needed

### Safety – 7 comments

- It would be safer for children to have a lockable fence enclosing the playpark which prevented vandalism.
- So long as the play area is safe
- The playpark needs to be a fun but safe environment
- Rubber surfacing should be used to ensure safety (2)
- Stonework should be removed to improve safety
- The play area should not have hidden views as parents need to keep their children in sight

### Sand - 7 comments

- Sand diggers should be rethought
- Remove the sand, many kids hate it.
- Can't get a wheelchair over the sand
- I never feel safe having my kids in the sand
- The sandpits are getting past their best
- Way too many sand parts as it is
- Not too much sand

### Seating – 6 comments

- More seating needed for adults, carers, parents and families to sit on
- More benches needed

### Seesaw – 3 comments

- Kids enjoy traditional items like seesaws
- New seesaw please (2)

### Segregated play – 5 comments

- The barriers between each section of the play area are a maintenance burden and aren't needed in the new design
- Any design should stick with separate play areas for younger and older children

### Skate park – 10 comments

- A skate park would be good (4)
- A skate park would be great as there is nothing for that age group at present
- A skatepark is likely to be well used.
- A skate park or pump track suitable for all ages and wheel sizes would be great
- Teen facilities (like a skatepark) are required

### Slides – 8 comments

- More slides please (2)
- Baby slide please
- An open slide please
- Slides are an essential component of a decent park
- Bigger/higher slides (2)

### Swings – 12 comments

- Put the tyre swing back where the climbing wall is
- More swings (4)
- Spider web swing please
- Never enough swings
- Good swings needed
- Comfortable swing needed

#### Technology – 1 comment

- What about iPods and access to You Tube

#### Teens – 3 comments

- Something should be provided for teenagers too e.g. outdoor gym, pump track
- Teens tend to be forgotten in play areas. If they had an area they could use they may be less disrespectful of the rest of the park.
- Need something for teens

#### Themed – 1 comment

- Would be great to theme areas. Fort, pirate ship etc

#### Toddlers – 1 comment

- The play area needs to be more toddler friendly

#### Toilets – 9 comments

- The toilets should be closer to the play area
- Toilets with baby changing and disabled facilities should be close to the play area
- There should be a changing places toilet

#### Trampolines – 4 comment

- Trampolines please

#### Variety – 2 comments

- It should be different from other play parks in the area
- More variety needed

#### Water play – 3 comments

- Water play would be well used at Zetland Park
- Kings Park, Alva Park, Arbroath Park and Carnoustie Park suggested as good examples
- Water play would be good for hot days
- A fountain system would be nice but more interactive toys would be even better

#### Zip slides – 9 comments

- Decent zip slide needed (2)
- Double zip slide so you can race your friends (2)
- Zip slide needs easier access
- Bigger zip slide

#### **Q13: Do you have any other comments about the proposal to improve the play area?**

Total number of people providing comments: 69

88% of comments were from people who supported or strongly supported the proposals

- 8 comments about toilets
- 7 supportive comments about play area proposals
- 5 comments about inclusive play
- 3 comments about health and fitness
- 3 comments about accessible play
- 3 comments about antisocial behaviour
- 3 comments about picnic benches
- 2 comments about play for all ages

- 2 comments about crazy golf
- 2 comments about multi use games areas
- 2 comments about keeping dogs out of the play area
- 2 comments about playpark consultation
- 3 comments about a skatepark
- 2 comments about a pump track
- 2 comment about fencing
- 2 comment about maintenance
- 2 comment about the necessity of an upgraded play area
- 2 comment about slides
- 1 comment about roundabouts
- 1 comments about safety
- 1 comment about a colourful play
- 1 comment about a fairy garden
- 1 comment about a drinking fountain
- 1 comment about a footbridge
- 1 comment about parking
- 1 comment about lighting
- 1 comment on parks designed for their users first.
- 1 negative comment about play area proposals
- 1 comment about smoking
- 1 comment about an outdoor swimming pool
- 1 comment about robust play equipment
- 1 comment about sand
- 1 comment about seating
- 1 comment about a maze
- 1 comment about soft play
- 1 comment about a variety of play equipment
- 1 comment about affordability
- 1 comment about natural play
- 1 comment about cycle skills
- 1 comment about teen play equipment
- 1 comment about swings
- 1 comment about opening hours
- 1 comment about paddling pool

11% of comments were from people who neither supported nor opposed the proposals

- 2 negative comments about play area proposals
- 1 comment about the need for a bigger play area
- 1 comment about lighting
- 1 comment about cycle connectivity
- 1 comment about maintenance
- 1 comment about necessity
- 1 comment about security
- 1 comment about fencing

2% of comments were from people who opposed or strongly opposed the proposals

- 1 comment about necessity

### Top 3 issues:

- 8 comments about toilets
- 4 comments about inclusive play
- 3 comments about health and fitness; accessible play; antisocial behaviour; and picnic benches

### Play comments summary:

#### Accessible – 3 comments

- More facilities for disabled children

#### Affordability – 1 comment

- Concern is play park upgrade is a major cost element of the wider masterplan

#### All ages – 2 comments

- There should be suitable play opportunities for all ages
- More things for all ages

#### Antisocial behaviour – 3 comments

- Fitness apparatus would be a target for vandalism
- Drug taking teenagers should be kept out during the summer
- Measures needed to prevent vandalism by older kids

#### Bigger – 1 comment

- Needs to be larger than at present

#### Colourful – 1 comment

- Needs to be brighter

#### Consultation – 2 comments

- Let young people decide
- Consult with school children

#### Crazy golf – 2 comments

- Better crazy golf please
- Crazy golf should be extended

#### Cycle connectivity - 1 comment

- There should be a dedicated cycle route from Calendar Park and the Kelpies

#### Cycle skills – 1 comment

- The cycle area could have a bit more in it.

#### Drinking Fountain – 1 comment

- There should be a drinking fountain

#### Fairy garden – 1 comment

- A fairy garden near the fountain would be nice

#### Fencing – 2 comment

- The playpark should be fenced and gated to be secure at night

- The playpark should be enclosed with a gate to ensure the safety of smaller or special needs children.

#### Footbridge – 1 comment

- There should be a new footbridge across the Grange Burn from the Sports Complex car park.
- Health and Fitness – 3 comments
- Put gym equipment in the park
- Exercise equipment would benefit all generations
- An all-weather football/ basketball area please.

#### Inclusive play – 5 comments

- Stop prioritising able bodied children above those with disabilities
- Play area should be inclusive of children with disabilities, physical and otherwise eg neurological ADHD/autism
- This is a chance for Grangemouth and Falkirk Council to become foremost in the provision of disabled access play equipment
- An inclusive play area would be welcomed by pupils of Carrongrange High School
- Should be play equipment for wheelchair users

#### Lighting – 1 comment

- Better lighting needed for safety at night

#### Opening times – 1 comment

- Close the park at night

#### Paddling pool – 1 comment

- Include a paddling pool

#### Parking – 1 comment

- Perhaps visitors to the park could be encouraged to use the parking at the sports complex by providing a footbridge across the burn from this car park.

#### Park users first – 1 comment

- Consider how play park users are likely to interact with it and create a design of how they'd like the space to be used

#### Maintenance – 2 comments

- The play area and surrounding ground is poorly maintained
- Ensure the area is well maintained
- Tyre swing and zip line haven't been replaced when broken in the past.

#### Maze – 1 comment

- A maze would be nice

#### Multi Use Games Area – 2 comments

- Multi use pitch providing football and basketball for older children is needed

#### Natural play – 1 comment

- Natural play resources would be great

#### Necessity – 2 comments

- This is not a priority
- Would prefer if other elements of the masterplan were implemented first
- Don't do anything to the play area

#### Negative comments – 3

##### Dogs – 2 comments

- Dogs should be allowed into the play area
- The no dogs sign should be replaced and fines should be introduced

##### No smoking – 1 comments

- There should be a smoking ban in the play area

##### Outdoor swimming pool – 1 comment

- If only we had our outdoor swimming pool

#### Positive comments – 7

##### Pump track – 2 comments

- The cycle training area should be redeveloped into a multi-use asphalt pump track and cycle skills area.
- A pump track like the one at Larbert High School please

##### Picnic benches – 3 comments

- More picnic benches needed.

##### Robust – 1 comment

- It shouldn't contain anything breakable. As the park isn't supervised, these would be too easily vandalised

##### Roundabout – 1 comment

- Mini roundabout to be replaced next to original.

##### Safety - 1 comment

- It must be safe for children

##### Sand – 1 comment

- Sand or bark surfacing can easily conceal broken glass

##### Seating – 1 comment

- More seating

##### Security -1 comment

- Should be lockable with a fence to match

##### Skatepark – 3 comments

- A small skate park would be very popular
- An improved/ enclosed bike/scooter/ skateboard area should be provided
- Improve bike area and include skate park

Slides – 2 comment

- A bigger slide please (2)

Softplay – 1 comment

- An indoor playpark with soft play and go carts would be great

Swings – 1 comment

- More swings are needed

Teen – 1 comment

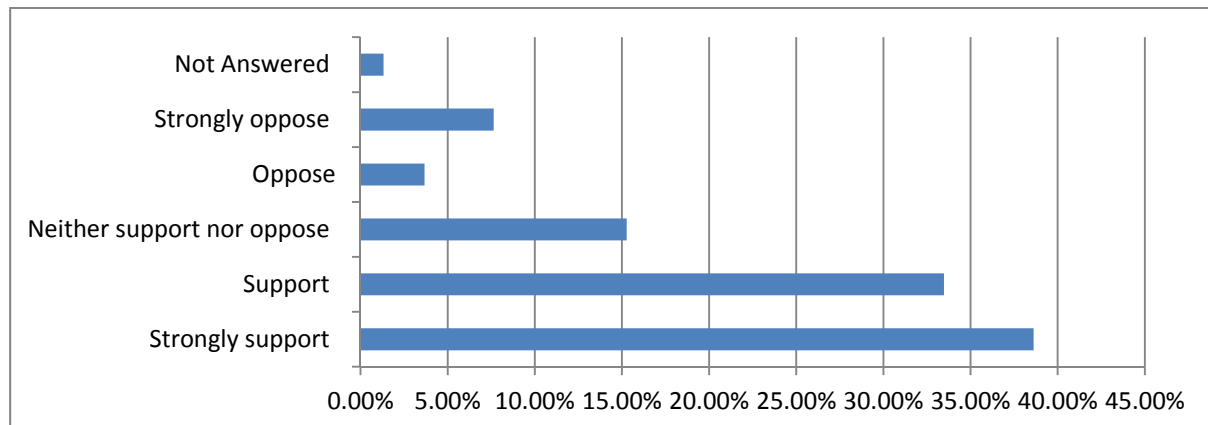
- Try to provide something challenging for teens as a diversion from mental activity and stress

Toilets – 8 comments

- There should be toilet facilities close to the play park
- The park should have a changing places toilet
- The toilet and kiosk should be situated around the play park as it is the busiest area of the park
- Variety
- There needs to be a bigger mixture of things to do in the park

**Q14: Do you support or oppose the proposals for a performance space?**

Strongly support	(263)	38.62%
Support	(228)	33.48%
Neither support nor oppose	(104)	15.27%
Oppose	(25)	3.67%
Strongly oppose	(52)	7.64%
Not Answered	(9)	1.32%



**Do you have any other comments to make about the proposals for a performance space?**

Total number of people providing comments: 141

51% of comments were from people who supported or strongly supported the proposals

- 22 supportive comments about proposals for a performance space
- 12 comments about frequency of use
- 8 comments about events
- 5 comments about an alternative location
- 5 comments about value for money
- 5 comments about the robustness of the performance space
- 4 comment about antisocial behaviour



- 3 comments about a bandstand
- 3 comments about maintenance
- 3 comments about vandalism
- 2 comments about seating
- 2 comment about wildflowers
- 2 comments about height
- 2 comments about toilets
- 1 comment about covering
- 1 comment about flooding
- 1 comment about necessity
- 1 comment about lighting
- 1 comment about CCTV
- 1 comment about proximity to the fairground
- 1 comment about management
- 1 comment about functionality
- 1 comment about a Multi-Use Games Area
- 1 neutral comment
- 1 comment about materials
- 1 comment about performances
- 1 comment about football pitch

16% of comments were from people who neither supported nor opposed the proposals

- 9 comments about frequency of use
- 5 comments about necessity
- 2 comment about antisocial behaviour
- 2 comments about proximity to the fairground
- 2 comments about noise
- 1 comment about a bandstand
- 1 comment about covering
- 1 comment about the robustness of the performance space
- 1 comment about height
- 1 negative comment
- 1 comment about a skatepark
- 1 comment about shows

33% of comments were from people who opposed or strongly opposed the proposals

- 18 comments about antisocial behaviour
- 18 comments about necessity
- 12 comments about frequency of use
- 7 comment about an alternative location
- 7 comments about noise
- 4 comments about functionality
- 2 comments about antisocial behaviour
- 2 comments about security
- 2 comments about flooding
- 3 comments about size
- 2 comments about flooding
- 3 comments about vandalism
- 1 comment about covering
- 1 comment about a bandstand
- 1 comment about wildflowers

- 1 comment about proximity to fairground
- 1 comment about value for money
- 1 comment about security
- 1 comment about kickabout space
- 1 comment about parking
- 1 comment about vehicle use
- 1 comment about paths
- 1 comment about cost

#### Overall Top 3 issues

- 33 comments about frequency of use
- 24 comments about antisocial behaviour
- 23 comments about necessity

#### Performance Space comments summary:

##### Alternative location - 12 comments

- Put it where they have the gala day
- Put it in front of the sports complex
- Put it where the old bandstand was
- Put it on the opposite side of the park away from people's homes
- Put it well away from people's homes
- Put it next to the boxing pavilion
- Put it in a more central part of the park
- Put it at the opposite side of the oval
- Put it near the pond

##### Antisocial behaviour – 24 comments

- The new stage would attract youths who drink in the park & cause antisocial behaviour
- Teenagers will gather here at night and cause nuisance
- This will become a space where people hang about when there aren't any events on
- It will be used for skateboarding and bmx
- Needs to be visible from all angles to deter antisocial behaviour
- CCTV would deter antisocial behaviour

##### Bandstand – 5 comments

- The performance space should be in the shape of a bandstand
- A bandstand should be included
- We used to have a bandstand in the park
- Sad to see no replica bandstand is proposed

##### CCTV – 1 comment

- CCTV will deter vandals

##### Cost – 1 comment

- Waste of money

##### Covering – 3 comments

- Will the event space be covered?
- Shelter is needed in case of rain

#### Events – 8 comments

- Would be great to encourage live performances and events
- Would be great to host guest artists
- Should be used for events for local people and to generate revenue
- Would be good for summer events
- Supportive of any plans to attract events to the park

#### Flooding – 3 comments

- This area typically suffers heavy flooding

#### Football pitches – 1 comment

- What about the football pitch?

#### Frequency of use – 33 comments

- Stage will have very limited use
- Will it be used outside of the Children's Day?
- Supportive so long as it is used more than once a year
- Must be able to host music/ theatre events
- Make sure it is used year round
- Could it be rented out to bands?
- Weather will prevent frequent use
- Confident the people and clubs of Grangemouth will use this.
- This will open up many day events for local organisations
- It will be down to the people of the town to energise the use of this facility

#### Functionality – 5 comments

- Only worthwhile if power and lighting is provided for staging purposes
- Too rainy for an outdoor stage

#### Height – 3 comments

- Height of structure shouldn't restrict outlook of neighbouring houses
- Is 1m high enough to provide a decent viewing area?

#### Kickabout – 1 comment

- This ground is currently used by young children to play football.

#### Lighting – 1 comment

- Good lighting needed for safety of guests

#### Management – 1 comment

- there may need to be an events manager to manage this or it could be managed by an existing team.

#### Maintenance – 3 comments

- Without ongoing maintenance this area will become unsightly
- Make sure the upkeep is minimal

#### Multi Use Games Area – 1 comment

- Could a MUGA be provided here?

#### Necessity – 23 comments

- Waste of money
- Would rather get the fountain in working order
- Would rather spend the money on seating and bins
- No need for a performance space
- There are already performance spaces in the Council area elsewhere
- Why is a permanent stage required?

#### Negative comment – 1 comment

#### Neutral comment – 1 comment

#### Noise – 9 comments

- Noise nuisance will increase during performance and from informal gatherings
- Too close to residents' homes

#### Paths- 1 comment

- Would paths need to be diverted?

#### Parking - 1 comment

- There is a lack of parking

#### Performances – 1 comment

- Donations could be given for watching performances

#### Positive statements - 22 Comments

#### Proximity to fairground - 4 comments

- Too close to the fair, ceremony will not be heard.

#### Robustness – 6 comments

- Make sure it is vandal proof
- Concerns about vandalism is wood is used
- Could be unintentionally damaged by people playing on the new structure

#### Seating – 2 comments

- Plenty seating please

#### Security – 1 comment

- Such a permanent structure would need to be secured against unwanted access which would escalate costs and will impact any landscape potential or sense of place

#### Shows – 1 comment

- Where will the shows go?

#### Size – 2 comments

- Stage and seating would take up a large area of open space
- The park is not big enough to accommodate a permanent performance area
- The area takes up valuable dog walking area

#### Skatepark – 1 comment

- There has to be something for teenager i.e. a skate park/ bmx park

Toilets – 2 comments

- Public toilets would be needed near the performance space
- Accessible changing places toilets should be provided near the performance space

Value for money – 6 comments

- Would a permanent structure be cost effective?
- Does the cost of stage rental justify the need for a permanent structure?
- This will save the Children’s Day committee money every year!

Vandalism – 6 comments

- Stage could be vandalised (5)
- Stage could be graffitied

Vehicle Use – 1 comment

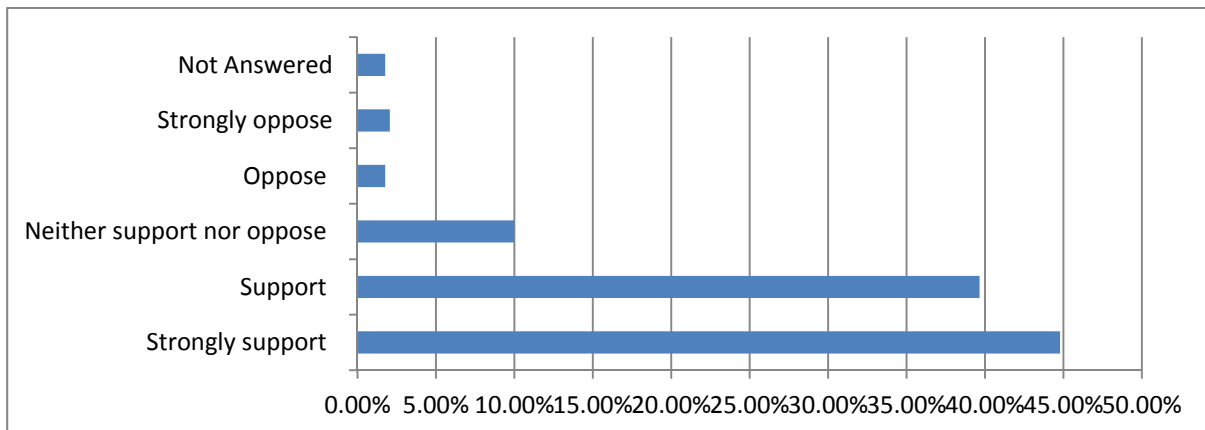
- The space would result in park being destroyed by heavy lorries breaking grass

Wildflowers – 2 comments

- The park is devoid of wildlife and wild areas so planting of wildflowers will be very welcome.

**Q16: Do you support or oppose the proposals for heritage interpretation?**

Strongly support	(305)	44.79%
Support	(270)	39.65%
Neither support nor oppose	(68)	9.99%
Oppose	(12)	1.76%
Strongly oppose	(14)	2.06%
Not Answered	(12)	1.76%



**Q17: Do you have any other ideas for potential heritage interpretation within the Park?**

Total number of people providing comments: 58

86% of comments/suggestions were from people who support or strongly support proposals for heritage interpretation

- 23 comments about design
- 14 comments about theme
- 5 comments about location
- 4 comments about heritage items
- 4 comments on vandalism

- 3 comment about accessibility
- 2 comment about cost
- 2 comments about community involvement

9% of comments/suggestions were from people who neither support nor oppose the proposals for heritage interpretation

- 2 comments on vandalism
- 1 comment about design
- 1 comment about location

5 % of comments/suggestions were from people who oppose the proposals for heritage interpretation

- 1 comment about design
- 1 comment about theme
- 1 comment on vandalism

### **Overall Top 3 issues**

- 22 comments about design
- 14 comments about theme
- 5 comments about location

### **Heritage interpretation comment summary:**

#### Accessibility- 3 comments

- Suitable for adults and children (2)
- Suitable for local residents and visitors to the area

#### Cost- 3 comments

- Good idea but don't spend a lot of money
- No expensive sculptures

#### Design – 22 comments

- Trails (9)
  - Fairy/troll (3)
  - The themed trails
  - Brass-rubbing trail
  - Mobile app (2)
  - Audio
  - Named paths/routes
- Information boards (3)
- Play equipment (2)
  - Charlotte Dundas boat to be included
  - Viking galley structure link to Earl of Shetland to be included
- Include rides
- Have statues
- Lighting to show it off at night
- Small tea room with memory boards of times gone by
- Set up a heritage centre
- Scale models of Grangemouth in the past
- Wooden seats could be produced from the trees which are being replaced
- Sports pavilion could be home to a cafe or heritage hub
- Quiz boards for kids

- Art projects
- Information from the heritage centre should be displayed
- They should be incorporated into natural design
- Scavenger hunts
- Use of historical photographs

#### Heritage items – 5 comments

- Replica bandstand (2)
- Reinstatement of sundial (2)
- Building of the towns clock in the park

#### Involvement – 2 comments

- Get local school involved
- Needs to be backed up by community involvement – get younger generation involved

#### Location – 7 comments

- In play area (3)
- Should be expanded outside of the park's boundary (2)
- Interpretation benches at the war memorial (2)

#### Theme -15 comments

- Include history about Grangemouth (4)
- Natural heritage (3)
- Grangemouth industry (2)
- Recognition of the Christian faith heritage of the town, with so many churches (former and current)
- Gala day
- Linked to structures in the park (war memorial, fountain etc.)
- History of the park
- Modern history including outdoor swimming pool etc.
- Not about industry

#### Vandalism- 8 comments

- needs to be vandal proof (2)
- Need to be strong to prevent vandalism (2)
- vandalism must be considered
- Get the community involved to prevent vandalism
- Heritage boards have a habit of being vandalised
- Something less fancy as kids will damage them.

#### **Q18: Do you have any other comments about the proposals for heritage?**

Total of people who provided comments: 42

62% of comments were from people who support or strongly support proposals for heritage interpretation

- 10 comments about support for proposals
- 6 comments about cost
- 5 comment about design
- 3 comments about vandalism
- 2 comment about consultation

- 2 comment about audiences
- 1 comment about location
- 1 comment about relevance
- 1 comment about maintenance

25% of comments were from people who neither supported nor opposed proposals for heritage interpretation

- 7 comments about cost
- 2 comments about relevance
- 1 comment about design

11% of comments were from people who oppose or strongly oppose proposals for heritage interpretation

- 1 comment on vandalism
- 1 comment on relevance
- 3 comment about cost

2% of comments were from people who did not answer if they supported or opposed proposals for heritage interpretation

- 1 comment on consultation

Overall Top 3 issues

- 16 comments about cost
- 10 comments about support for proposals
- 6 comments about design

### **Heritage interpretation comments summary:**

#### Audiences – 2 comments

- Would be great for school children
- Interpretation for children should not be a dilution of adult material

#### Consultation – 3 comments

- Consult the Grangemouth Heritage Trust
- Themes need to be consulted on
- Consult with Inner Forth Landscape Initiative

#### Cost – 16 comments

- Money could be better spent on other projects (3)
- Could be sacrificed to get the fountain working (2)
- Waste of money (2)
- I think this is important but it shouldn't have a lot of the project money spent on it
- It is often easy to waste money on interpretation
- Should not costly to maintain
- Sculptures are lovely but very costly
- As long as its cost effective
- Don't waste money on audio benches and sculptures
- Should be given a lower spending priority
- Should be low cost so can be replaced if vandalised

#### Design – 6 comments

- Should be usable all year around



- A trail, to be, is something you need a forest or hills for, give us real trails (natural footpaths) instead on concrete paths
- Interpretation should be well considered, in its style and the information presented
- Seating needs to be comfortable
- Would be better to have the heritage wall
- No point in audio benches and sculptures

Location – 1 comment

- Better to have interpretation linked to park elements rather than a heritage wall

Maintenance – 1 comment

- audio benches would just require more maintenance that would surely never get done

Relevance – 4 comments

- The heritage centre is amazing for the children to learn and the adults to remember if the years gone by, sign post to this
- Don't see this as essential
- need practical things for children to get good year-round use off, they don't care about the heritage
- Unsure of interest

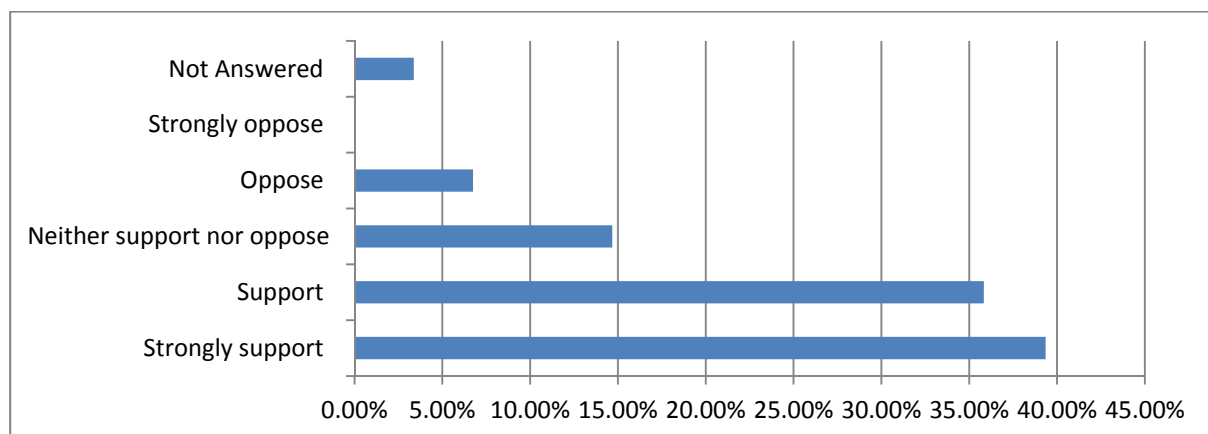
Support for proposals – 10 comments

Vandalism – 4 comments

- Any placements in the park need to be vandal proofed as far as possible
- Make from materials difficult to vandalise
- Must be vandal proof
- They will get vandalised

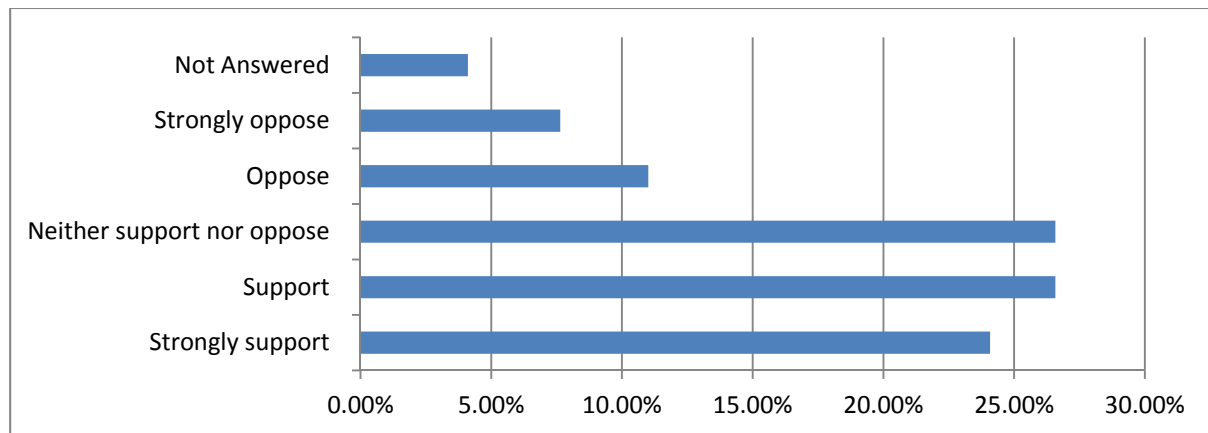
**Q19: Do you support or oppose the principle of improving the existing rose garden?**

Strongly support	(268)	39.35%
Support	(244)	35.83%
Neither support nor oppose	(10)	14.68%
Oppose	(46)	6.75%
Strongly oppose	(0)	0% *option not given in survey
Not Answered	(23)	3.38%



**Q20: Do you support or oppose the idea of redeveloping the rose garden as a labyrinth of ornamental planting resembling a petrochemical process to celebrate Grangemouth’s industrial heritage?**

Strongly support	(164)	24.08%
Support	(181)	26.58%
Neither support nor oppose	(181)	26.58%
Oppose	(74)	11.01%
Strongly oppose	(52)	7.64%
Not Answered	(28)	4.11%



**Q21: Do you have any other ideas for the redevelopment of the existing rose garden?**

Total number of people providing comments: 86

67% of comments/suggestions were from people who support or strongly support proposals to improve the existing rose garden

- 35 comments about design
- 17 comments about themes
- 9 comments about planting
- 3 comments about involvement/activities
- 1 comment about interpretation
- 1 comment about management

16% of comments/suggestions were from people who neither support nor oppose the proposals to improve the existing rose garden

- 12 comments about design
- 1 comment about planting

16% of comments/suggestions were from people who oppose the proposals to improve the existing rose garden

- 12 suggestions about design
- 1 suggestions about involvement
- 1 suggestion about planting

1% of comments/suggestions were from people who did not answer if they supported or opposed to improve the existing rose garden

- 1 suggestion about design

**Overall Top 3 issues:**

- 60 comments/suggestions about design

- 17 comments/suggestions about themes
- 11 comments/suggestions about planting

### **Rose Garden Suggestion Summary:**

#### Design – 60 comments

- Leave as rose garden (39)
- Put back the original fence (10)
- Include seating in the area (4)
- Include raised beds for disabled users (2)
- Include a water feature
- Include an ornamental clock
- Include lighting
- Include picnic benches
- Make sure that there is something for children to do

#### Interpretation – 1 comment

- Include interpretation of what the plants are

#### Involvement/activities – 4 comments

- It would be great to get local schools involved (2)
- Have it has a community garden
- Have story telling for schools

#### Management – 1 comment

- Give to a local organisation to manage

#### Planting- 11 comments

- Include roses in the planting (3)
- Have planting that is good to look at all year around (2)
- Have more planting that the existing rose garden (2)
- Include fruit trees (2)
- Use plants for food growing
- Why not grass it over

#### Theme – 17 comments

- Link to other industries in Grangemouth (13)
  - Docks (5)
  - Wood merchants (2)
  - Ship building (3)
- Make it a sensory garden (5)
- Should be focused on contemplation /peaceful (6)
- Have a canal theme
- Have a Zen garden
- Link it to the sea
- Based it on the waterways/sea/dock
- Have a Grangemouth Heritage theme
- Have fitness equipment in the area

### **Q22: Do you have any other comments about the proposals for redeveloping the existing rose garden?**

Total number of people providing comments: 72

72% of comments were from people who support or strongly supported the proposals for redeveloping the existing rose garden

- 27 comments about design
- 10 comments about petrochemical link
- 10 comments about maintenance
- 8 comments supporting proposals
- 3 comments about anti-social behaviour/vandalism
- 2 comments about cost
- 1 comment about use
- 1 comment about volunteering
- 1 comment about cost

13% of comments were from people who neither supported nor opposed the proposals for redeveloping the existing rose garden

- 4 comments about design
- 1 comment about cost
- 1 comment about volunteering
- 1 comment about petrochemical link
- 1 comment about use
- 1 comment about anti-social behaviour/vandalism

14% of comments were from people who oppose or strongly oppose the proposals for redeveloping the existing rose garden

- 6 comments about design
- 3 Comments about cost
- 1 comment about petrochemical link

1% of comments were from people who did not answer if they support or oppose the proposals for redeveloping the existing rose garden

**Overall Top 3 issues:**

- 37 comments about design
- 12 comments about petrochemical link
- 10 comments about maintenance

**Rose garden comment summary:**

Anti-social behaviour /vandalism- 4 comments

- Young people gather here currently and are a nuisance to neighbouring residents (2)
- Important it is robust
- Improvements might lead to more young people meeting in this area and causes issues

Cost – 7 comments

- Waste of money (2)
- Money could be spent on other projects (2)
  - play area
  - pavilion
- Any petrochemical garden should be funded by industry (2)
- Needs to be cost effective

### Design – 37 comments

- Should remain as a rose garden (10)
- Fine as it is (6)
- Seating needed (6)
- Should be a peaceful place (6)
- Nice planting required (3)
- Restore rather than redevelop (2)
- Put the fence back (2)
- Get roses back in the garden (2)
- Needs to be done in a sustainable way using native varieties (2)
- Should include raised beds
- Should be more grown up area which is peaceful and suitable for contemplation
- Winter friendly plants
- Would a labyrinth design not have to be viewed from a height to get the full picture and understand what it's meant to represent
- Good paths

### Maintenance – 10 comments

- Elaborate design will require more maintenance (3)
- Ensure that regular maintenance is carried out (2)
- Maintenance plan needs to be in place
- The likelihood is that any ornamental planting would suffer the effects of poor air quality caused by the industry and wither and die resulting in a long-term issue to maintain the concept
- Roses are often very attractive but require a lot of maintenance and are not always great for biodiversity
- Appropriate staffing is need for garden to be maintain
- Design without the need for intensive future maintenance

### Petrochemical link – 12 comments

- Not happy with the links to the petrochemical industry (2)
- Would the majority of the park users appreciate the petrochemical aspect
- As for the "labyrinth of ornamental planting resembling a petrochemical process", this seems like a joke at our expense. We live beside a giant petrochemical industry and we want to escape to a nice garden full of colourful flowers and plant.
- By all means part of it including the chemical industry but I don't think the whole area should be dedicated to that
- Considering the massive amount of environmental damage INEOS causes already I think it would be the height of irony and beyond stupidity to celebrate this process through nature.
- The petrochemical industry has been a part of the town for a long as I can remember.
- I would need to see something tasteful rather than tokenistic to include petrochemical history
- Ornamental planting to create an image of a petrochemical process is a bizarre suggestion in my opinion
- Think the park is an escape from the industry that over shadows Grangemouth
- Many residents in the area resent the petrochemical plant even though it brings business to the town

### Use – 2 comments

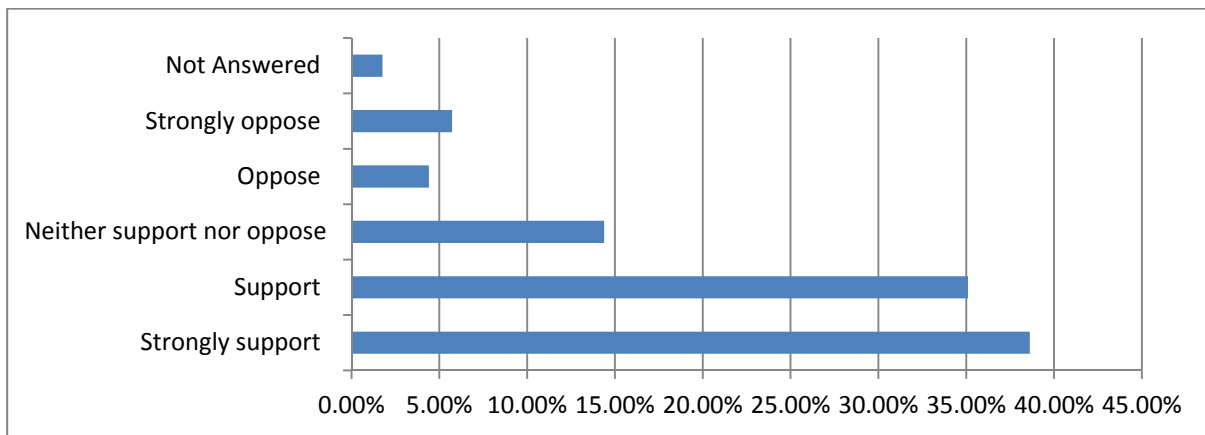
- Don't see a lot of people use it
- People use the existing garden to scatter ashes

### Volunteers – 2 comments

- No community gardening in rose garden
- Volunteer gardening could be a great idea but continued support over the long term would need to be considered

### **Q23: Do you support or oppose proposals for the relocation of the toilet block and Kiosk?**

Strongly support	(263)	38.62%
Support	(239)	35.10%
Neither support nor oppose	(98)	14.39%
Oppose	(29)	4.41%
Strongly oppose	(39)	5.73%
Not Answered	(12)	1.76%



### **Q24: Do you have any other comments about the proposals to relocate the toilet block and kiosk?**

Total number of people providing comments: 207

68% of comments were from people who support or strongly supported the proposals for the relocation of the toilet block and kiosk

- 50 comments about design relating to building, kiosk and toilet design
- 34 comments about location
- 25 comments about operation
- 16 comments of support
- 3 comments about maintenance
- 1 comment about feasibility

10% of comments were from people who either supported or opposed the proposals for the relocation of the toilet block and kiosk

- 11 comments about location
- 6 comments about design relating to building, kiosk and toilet design
- 3 comments about flood protection scheme
- 2 comments about operation
- 1 comment about anti-social behaviour/vandalism

21% of comments were from people who oppose or strongly oppose the proposals for the relocation of the toilet block and kiosk

- 36 comments about location
- 4 comments about design relating to building, kiosk and toilet design
- 3 comments about operation

- 2 comments about cost
- 2 comments about flood protection scheme

>1% of comments were from people who did not answer if they support or oppose the proposals for the relocation of the toilet block and kiosk

- 1 comment on location

**Overall Top 3 issues:**

- 81 comments about location
- 60 comments about design
- 30 comments about operation

**Kiosk/toilet comments summary:**

Anti-social behaviour/vandalism – 3 comments

- New toilets should be design to discourage anti-social behaviour
- Would need to be vandal proof
- If the council were serious re youth disorder reduction this could be a youth hub

Cost-2 comments

- waste of money (2)

Design (building) – 10 comments

- Good external lighting (2)
- Refurbish what's there (2)
- Will it be a nice looking building?
- If not relocation, a refurbishment is essential
- Accessible for disabled
- Suitable design for the site
- Should include an outdoor covered area
- The site of the old kiosk and toilets should be cleared and the area made good

Design (kiosk) – 30 comments

- Should include a café (13)
- Include indoor seating area (6)
- Include outdoor seating (6)
- Outdoor covered area (2)
- Include a community space (2)
- Provide an outdoor eating area

Design (toilets) – 35 comments

- Changing Places toilet required (12)
- Disabled toilet required (9)
- Baby change required (8)
- Better standard of toilets needed (2)
- Include changing area with lockers
- Could take for unnamed paid toilet capsules around park
- Improve locks in toilets
- More toilets needed in Kiosk

Feasibility – 1 comment

- As long as they do not get closed and the other building fails to be built

### Flooding defence – 5 comments

- Prioritise the flood defence before deciding what to do in the park (2)
- If costing are an issue and if the toilets have not been flooded before wouldn't it be cost effective it would be better to leave them as is and add an extension for the flood equipment
- If area floods there will be little difference in old/new siting.
- Flood defences are needed
- We have not needed a flood protection scheme before so why waste money now just sort the overflow at Ranock Park

### Location-80 comments

- Kiosk/toilets should be located nearer the play area (56)
- too close to housing (4)
- Kiosk/toilets should be located more centrally (3)
- Why get rid of the tennis courts (2)
- Concern about possible impact on bowling green (2)
- Leave them where they are (2)
- Location is ideal where it is
- Put the functions of the kiosk in the pavilion
- Additional toilets should be located at south end of park
- Extra toilets in the park would be good
- moving the kiosk away from the main pedestrian route through the park may affect the commercial viability of the kiosk
- The existing green space is used constantly by dog walkers, such a shame to take this green space away
- Location will cause issues with parking
- It's too far away from the tennis courts and putting green
- here is already a kiosk
- New site too close to rose garden and would disturb the peace of this area
- not happy for the move to this site as this would impact on the view from the tree line avenue into the park
- will ruin the entrance to the park
- should be roughly inside of park
- More toilets needed around the whole park

### Maintenance – 3 comments

- They need to kept clean and maintained properly
- Upkeep and maintenance is required massively especially on the toilets
- Should be better maintain

### Operation – 20 comments

- Open all year around (10)
- Toilets should be free (2)
- Toilets should be open 24/7 (2)
- Kiosk should sell better selection of food (6)
- Kiosk should not be franchised
- Should have a toilet attendant
- Should be open at all times
- Food outlet should be open at peak hours
- Should be available during daytime hours
- Kiosk should sell hot and cold food



- Prices in the existing kiosk are too high
- Why get rid of the crazy golf?

Support for proposals – 16 comments

**Q25: Do you have any final comments to make about Zetland Park Regeneration Project Masterplan that you have not already made elsewhere whilst completing the survey**

Total number of people providing comments: 197

77% of comments/suggestions were from people who support or strongly support proposals contained within the masterplan

- 75 comments about additional masterplan suggestions
- 38 comments about supporting project
- 5 comments about anti-social behaviour /vandalism
- 5 comments about cost
- 4 comments about masterplan design
- 3 comments about maintenance
- 2 comments about kiosk
- 2 comments about bike track
- 2 comments about landscaping
- 2 comments about stage
- 2 comments about the pond
- 1 comment about accessibility
- 1 comments about interpretation
- 1 comment about project management
- 1 comments about flooding defence

8% of comments/suggestions were from people who neither support or oppose proposals contained within the masterplan Comments from those who oppose the masterplan.

- 5 comments about additional masterplan suggestions
- 2 comments about kiosk
- 2 comments about flooding defence
- 2 comments about stage
- 2 comments about anti-social behaviour /vandalism
- 2 comments about supporting project
- 1 comment about play area
- 1 comment about pond

15% of comments/suggestions were from people who oppose or strongly oppose proposals contained within the masterplan

- 11 comments about stage
- 9 comments about additional masterplan suggestions
- 5 comments about project management
- 4 comments about cost
- 2 comments about supporting project
- 2 comments about rose garden
- 2 comments about anti-social behaviour/vandalism
- 2 comment about fountain
- 1 comment about maintenance
- 1 comment about kiosk
- 1 comment about play area
- 1 comment about war memorial

- 1 comment about people involvement
- 1 comment about work to be undertaken

>1% of comments/suggestions were from people who did not answer if they approve or oppose proposals contained within the masterplan

- 1 comment about additional masterplan suggestions

Overall Top 3 issues:

- 92 additional masterplan suggestions
- 38 comments of support of proposals
- 15 comments about the stage

### **Masterplan comments summary:**

#### Accessibility- 4 comments

- Inclusiveness should be at the heart of the project
- Keep in mind safety and do not increase traffic hazards
- Disabled toilets in park
- Disabled access should be considered for all area

#### Additional masterplan suggestions – 92 comments

- Sports facilities (35)
  - Skatepark (9)
  - Refurbish crazy golf (7)
  - MUGA (3)
  - Outdoor gym (3)
  - Improve bike area (3)
  - Basketball hoops (2)
  - Pumptrack (3)
  - Go cart/mini car hire (2)
  - No skatepark
  - Five a side football pitches
  - Netball hoops
  - Bowling green which is open to the public
  - Trampolines
  - Flood lighting for football pitches
  - Jogging routes
- Pavilion (20)
  - Refurbishment to the pavilion (11)
  - Demolish the pavilion (5)
  - Are there any plans to spend money on sports pavilion its very run down? (2)
  - Very disappointed to see no proposals for the pavilion
  - Could be used for café
  - Could be used for youth hub
- More/improved lighting (14)
- Dog park (13)
- Paths (11)
  - Division for walkers and cyclists (4)
  - Resurface path next to burn from play park to war memorial
  - A footpath linking corner section at football ground to the path at the burn
  - Path drainage should be improved
  - Better paths
  - Promote active travel

- Path repair works are needed
- CCTV (5)
- Park supervision (5)
- Café (4)
- Trees (4)
  - Plant more trees (3)
  - Re-plant plum trees
- Picnic area/additional picnic benches (3)
- Additional car parking (3)
- More facilities for older children and young people (2)
- Animal park/area (2)
- Put more facilities at the south end of the park
- Improve local transport links
- More bins
- Allotments
- Mini botanical garden
- Butterfly house
- Visitor centre
- Outdoor heaters
- BBQ pits
- Indoor social space
- Ban cars in the park
- Work is needed to the flats at the south end of park
- Sports coaching for sports facilities
- Design for all aspects should be inclusive

#### Anti-social behaviour – 5 comments

- Park is currently a gathering place for young people drinking this needs to be considered when developing new projects
- Hedges are used as toilets
- Proposals should not encourage anti-social behaviour
- There are already issues with anti-social behaviour in the park and therefore it is likely that any works will be vandalised so is it really worth spending the money
- This is only going to encourage underage drinkers hanging around the park

#### Bike Track – 1 comment

- Keep mini cycle track

#### Consultation – 1 comment

- High school kids should be consulted (2)

#### Costs – 12 comments

- Request for costs (2)
- Ensure support from local business (2)
- At a time of council cuts, money should be spent on children's services not a park
- Money is only being spent on north end of park
- Money spent on improvements must be sensible, provide value and be for the benefit of all
- Cost are inappropriate for current financial climate where Falkirk Council are making cuts
- Money not spent inappropriately, as most projects done by council over run, and half the project isn't done
- If you are spending money make sure it's good
- It's an unnecessary cost that could be better utilised

- Project is a waste of money

#### Flood defences – 3 comments

- Strongly disagree that the park should be used for flood defences
- Flood prevention scheme should be completed before work in the park
- Option C looks the best

#### Fountain – 2 comments

- Should be given top priority
- Great idea

#### Heritage interpretation – 4 comments

- Good idea
- Consider including info on port/Charlotte Dundas
- Include before and after photographs
- Very important to maintain the history and heritage of the park

#### Involvement – 1 comment

- Young people should be involved in undertaking work

#### Kiosk – 11 comments

- Should be located nearer play area (4)
- Proposals are bad idea (2)
- Should be in a more central location
- Young people hang around the kiosk and toilet block in the evenings therefore its location needs to be away from local houses
- New kiosk/toilets should be number one priority
- Should include a café with indoor seating

#### Landscaping – 6 comments

- Keep old trees and shrubs (4)
- Larger area of wild flower planting (eg by pavilion)
- Naturalizing the riparian strip along the Grange Burn

#### Maintenance -4 comments

- Should be looked after when work completed (4)

#### Masterplan design – 6 comments

- Nothing for teens to do (2)
- Consideration should be given to the location of structures, these should be aware from housing
- Proposals must respect the freedom, space, play and tranquillity of the park
- Should be something for everyone
- Some ideas are too extreme

#### Play park – 6 comments

- Should be more than one play area (2)
- Great idea
- Include opportunities of naturalised play
- Relocated bouncy castle to play area
- Create a bigger park

#### Pond – 4 comments

- Fill in the pond
- It will be good to see something happen to this
- Encourage educational use
- Works are really needed

#### Project management – 6 comments

- Falkirk council, take a good look at what's happening to our area and try to create something worthwhile for once
- This project is a major undertaking and should involve the highest quality of design and materials to achieve a lasting legacy for the people of the town
- Take the decision from Falkirk Council and put into the Grangemouth Community
- These plans so far are terrible forget ponds and gardens and consider a new committee as these plans are awful
- Listening to some others it sounds as if it doesn't matter what the survey says it sounds like you have made your mind up what's happening. So is this survey a waste of time.
- As usual we have the wrong people in charge.

#### Rose Garden – 4 comments

- Proposals are bad idea (3)
- Put near Bowhouse Road

#### Stage – 24 comments

- Proposals are a bad idea (11)
- Should be in different location away from housing (3)
- Will be a magnet for anti-social behaviour (3)
- It won't get used due to weather (2)
- If built there will be an uproar in the community (2)
- Forget about stage proposals
- Put on the old site of the bandstand
- Ruins views from nearby houses

#### Volunteering – 1 comment

- Encourage volunteering to reduce costs

#### War memorial – 1 comment

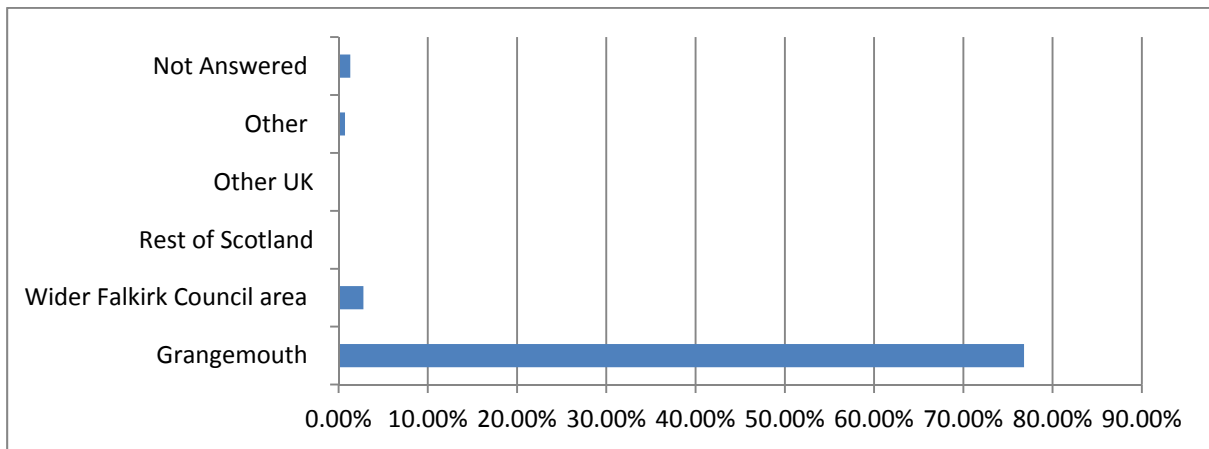
- Should be given top priority

## Profiling of respondents to consultation

**Overview:** To gain an understanding about those who took part in the consultation a number of questions were asked the results of these are provided below.

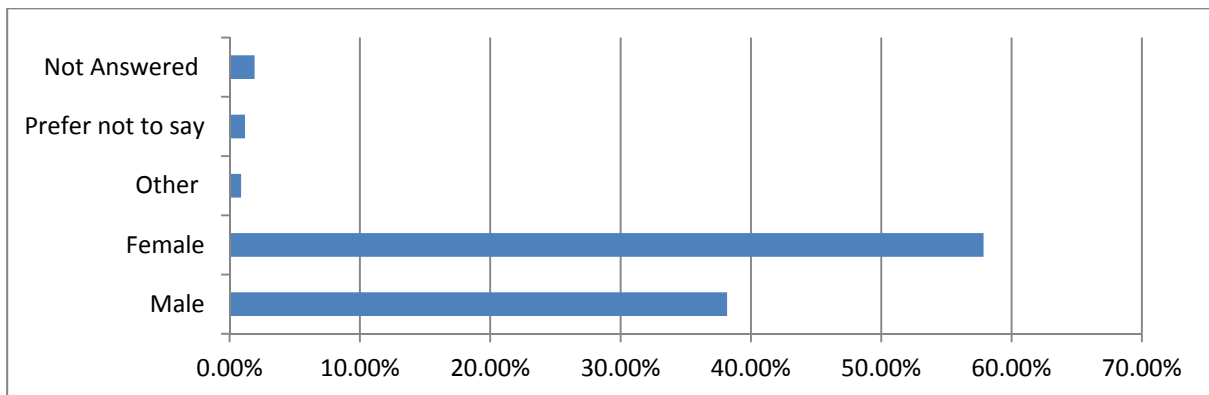
### Q26: What is your normal place of residence?

Grangemouth	(523)	76.80%
Wider Falkirk Council area	(124)	2.79%
Rest of Scotland	(19)	0.15%
Other UK	(1)	0.15%
Other	(5)	0.73%
Not Answered	(9)	1.32%



### Q27: What is your gender?

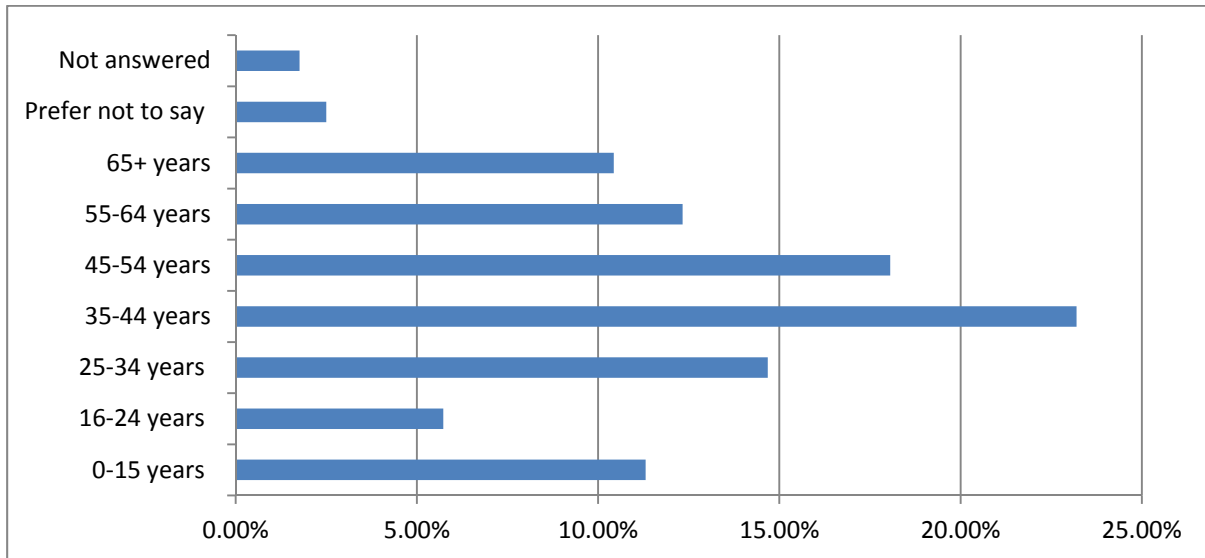
Male	(260)	38.18%
Female	(394)	57.86%
Other	(6)	0.88%
Prefer not to say	(8)	1.17%
Not Answered	(13)	1.91%



### Q28: What is your age group?

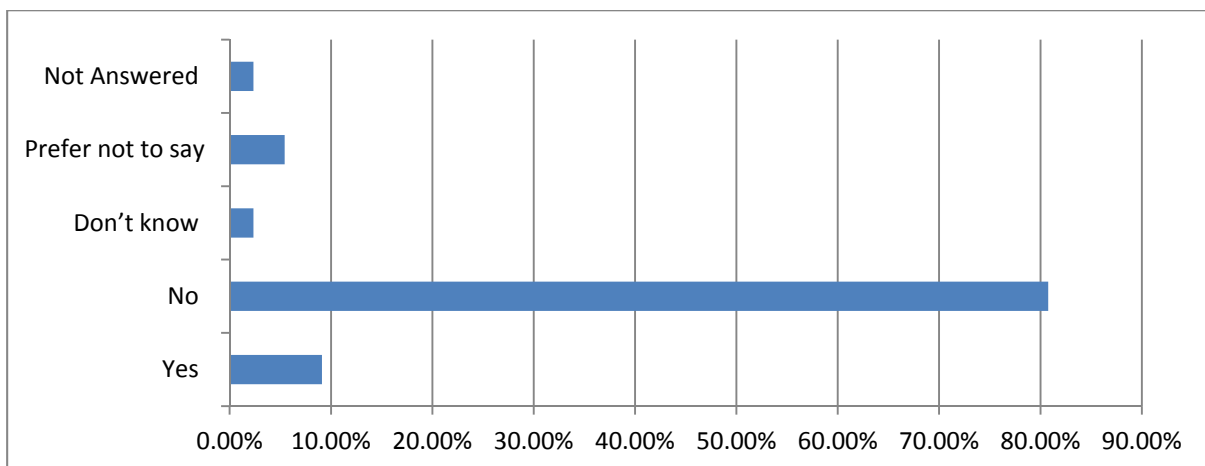
0-15 years	(77)	11.31%
16-24 years	(39)	5.73%
25-34 years	(100)	14.68%

35-44 years	(158)	23.20%
45-54 years	(123)	18.06%
55-64 years	(84)	12.33%
65+ years	(71)	10.43%
Prefer not to say	(17)	2.50%
Not answered	(12)	1.76%



Q29: Do you have a disability as defined by the Equality Act 2010?

Yes	(62)	9.10%
No	(550)	80.76%
Don't know	(16)	2.35%
Prefer not to say	(37)	5.43%
Not Answered	(16)	2.35%



Q30: Which of the following options best describes your ethnic group or background?

White	(620)	91.04%
Mixed/multiple ethnic groups	(2)	0.29%
Asian/Asian British	(5)	0.73%
Black/African/Caribbean/Black British	(7)	1.03%
Other ethnic group	(4)	0.59%

Prefer not to say	(30)	4.41%
Not answered	(13)	1.91%

