

Glascairn Community Project – Open Space and SUDS Consultation Report

Introduction

A consultation on the design of the open space at Glascairn was launched in September 2018 and remained open until 23rd Nov 2018. The consultation document can be viewed on the CCT web site www.culbokiect.org. The consultation was promoted through the CCT membership, in the village newsletter Noticeboard, on posters around the village, through our Facebook page and via FCC minutes. By the closing date we had received a total of 15 responses. This included 13 individual responses and responses from the Findon Hall Committee and Ferintosh Community Council. We also received on late response that was stimulated as a result of this report and is now included in this report.

Response Summary

Responses were generally supportive and detailed comments were provided. Six respondents indicated an interest in attending future meetings about the proposals. The following table summarises the main points made and the CCT response.

Comment	CCT Response
<p><u>Respondent 1</u> Proposals are good but doesn't think we'll get the practical public engagement</p> <p>Wants a public disabled toilet open at all times</p>	<p>Noted. Further consultations will be needed before designs are finalised. CCT is in a good position to promote engagement</p> <p>A disabled toilet will be available once the community hub building is complete. It will be available when the building is open or potentially by arrangement.</p>
<p><u>Respondent 2</u> Would appreciate a children's play area. It's quite far for children to walk to the other end of the village and the existing playpark is getting a bit tired and dated.</p> <p>Would like paths in pleasing colours rather than in tar and likes wildlife planting</p>	<p>We hope to provide some simple play opportunities for toddlers but do not anticipate having the space or funding for a proper play park and do not wish to duplicate facilities at the football ground</p> <p>Noted. Path finishes will be part of detailed design. Wildlife planting is anticipated</p>
<p><u>Respondent 3 (Hall Committee)</u> Tennis court would be a good use for the land</p> <p>Wish to have concerns noted about duplicating a community meeting space (with regard to the café/ hub building) when existing assets are struggling financially</p>	<p>There is no expressed demand for a tennis court. Such a development would not leave space for other facilities that are supported</p> <p>Concerns are noted. We do not anticipate duplicating hall facilities. We will continue to work constructively with all asset managers to encourage the right use for the right space</p>

<p><u>Respondent 4</u> Likes ideas, especially orchard</p> <p>Could kirk teas be held there as picnic in summer?</p> <p>Would like to be involved in future meeting</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>The kirk will be invited to consider this suggestion</p> <p>Noted with thanks</p>
<p><u>Respondent 5 (FCC)</u> FCC supports concept which are in keeping with previous consultations</p> <p>FCC may be able to help with small pockets of funding</p> <p>Would like to be involved in future meetings</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted with appreciation</p> <p>Noted with thanks</p>
<p><u>Respondent 6</u> Excellent and very exciting</p> <p>Not much time to get personally involved before 2020</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
<p><u>Respondent 7</u> Very much in favour of plans</p> <p>No skills but happy to help</p> <p>Can supply manure</p> <p>Would like to attend detailed planning meeting</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted with thanks</p> <p>Noted with thanks</p> <p>Noted with thanks</p>
<p><u>Respondent 8</u> Loves ideas. Give village a central focus rather than a 'drive through' feel.</p> <p>It would be good to have outdoor as well as covered space</p> <p>Wants to see somewhere for community gatherings, activities and events, family friendly spaces as well as spaces where people can just sit or wander around and enjoy the garden</p> <p>Like the idea of people helping to develop the space either by giving ideas or by practical involvement</p> <p>Would be happy to help out</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Agreed.</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Noted with thanks</p>
<p><u>Respondent 9</u> Fully supportive of ideas</p>	<p>Noted</p>

<p>Key elements are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Family friendly / gathering area (mini community gala) / BBQ opportunity etc ○ Link to the woods ○ Some sort of revenue generation to support upgrades and upkeep ○ Should be low maintenance ○ Doesn't need to replicate other attributes in the village, should be additional 	<p>Agreed</p> <p>Agreed. This has been requested from Tulloch.</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Agreed for most of area. Some areas may need more intensive management to get full benefit</p> <p>Agreed</p>
<p><u>Respondent 10</u> Plans sound great</p> <p>Plans seem over ambitious for space</p> <p>Separate the area subtly so people gardening don't disturb people playing table tennis</p> <p>Table tennis is great idea and has seen this work well elsewhere</p> <p>A sand pit for children is likely to end up a lot of work in the long run</p> <p>A nice seating area with non-muddy paths will be good once the café is open</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>We will need to consider space availability and prioritisation when we get to design stage</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted and we'll give consideration to this</p> <p>Agreed</p>
<p><u>Respondent 11</u> While ideas are good there needs to be an overall designer with proven expertise as its doubtful if all ideas could be included and if they were it would be a bit of a mess</p> <p>Link to woods is a splendid idea and addresses the health and obesity agenda. This should be a focus of work right now before Tulloch Homes detailed planning consent is signed off</p> <p>Careful thought must be given to dogs in public places. Planning must take account of potential dog poo problem</p>	<p>Agreed. This is our intension.</p> <p>Agreed and noted. This has already been requested from Tulloch Homes</p> <p>Agreed. Consideration will be given to this at design stage.</p>

<p><u>Respondent 12</u> Would like to suggest addition of cycle parking and park and ride spaces for people living outside the village who want to catch a bus from the village into town</p>	<p>Cycle parking agreed. Park and ride will have to be by agreement and subject to space</p>
<p><u>Respondent 13</u> Likes overall concept</p> <p>Would like to see some sort of canopy for protection from the elements</p> <p>Would be happy to be involved in future meeting</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Noted with thanks</p>
<p><u>Respondent 14</u> Ideas sound good but we may be trying to fit in too much in a small space</p> <p>Maybe bee friendly parts could be combined with edible area and some edible plants are attractive and could be grown along borders and up walls</p> <p>Likes the overall concept and hopes it implies natural materials which would fit in with the link to the woods</p> <p>There need to be things to draw people in. Family games and kids play area are good.</p> <p>What about a community fridge as has been successfully done by Moo Food at Muir of Ord?</p> <p>Would be willing to attend a meeting</p>	<p>Noted. We will need to consider space availability and prioritisation when we get to design stage</p> <p>Noted. To be considered at detailed design stage</p> <p>Natural materials are favoured subject to overall design and budget</p> <p>Agreed.</p> <p>We have reviewed the 'Community Fridge How To Guide' from Hubbub. It is our preliminary view that there are a) insufficient businesses with perishable fresh food waste in the village and b) insufficient population to make this a viable option. To take this further would require a volunteer to undertake discussions with the Spar shop and Culbokie Inn and specific community consultation.</p> <p>Noted with thanks</p>
<p><u>Respondent 15</u> Proposals are super – an interesting space in the centre of the village</p> <p>Would there be space or appetite for an outdoor gym for an adult work-out?</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>This will be included in future consultations to find out if there is demand. It will depend on funding and space feasibility</p>

<p>With village becoming busier with more traffic, could the bus stop be put in a layby off the road? The current bus stop layout isn't safe as there is no pedestrian path on either side of it. It should be a little further from the corner and connected to the shop and the new development by footpaths</p>	<p>This is a matter for THC roads department. It may be felt that the line of road bus stop is safer and contributes to traffic calming.</p> <p>The new bus stop will have paths leading to it from either side.</p>
<p><u>Late Response – Respondent 16</u> The open space is an opportunity to create a hub of activities that can be tested cheaply and build momentum before being transferred to permanent building. Activities could be used to become more sustainable environmentally and economically.</p> <p>Ideas suggested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drive-up, bookable, pitch for mobile businesses such as mobile takeaways and shops. Pitch could be used as a tented covering for events or linked to a covered space with seating to encourage people to linger. - Structures could be DIY using donated and recycled materials. - Let artists, wood carvers metalworkers contribute a piece. Some of these could be child friendly and interactive – musical, climbable etc - Toilet could be compost toilet if it needs to be cheap and cheerful. - Could offer base for running and cycling groups to gather and access parking, toilet etc - Could have a recycling/exchange hut. This might grow into a bike repair/recycle facility and workshop. - Could the site be fully enclosed and gated – so parents with toddlers feel safe? 	<p>Agreed that this is a desirable approach</p> <p>This idea will be given consideration</p> <p>Supported if feasible. It would assist affordability and sustainability</p> <p>Involving local craftspeople is supported and we agree the desirability of child friendly activities. This idea will be given consideration</p> <p>Noted. This would require community discussion and approval</p> <p>Agreed</p> <p>Encouraging recycling and reuse would be very worthwhile. This idea will be given consideration</p> <p>This could be considered in a future consultation. The practicalities and costs would need to be carefully considered. There are considerable benefits of keeping the site open such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The site will be safer if it is overlooked by neighbours - The ability to look into the site from the outside is important

<p>- Clad porta-cabins offer cheap, attractive and good quality accommodation if properly fitted. Could be used for rest room, café, lettable space. Could provide an income.</p> <p>Can offer practical help with small structures</p>	<p>- There is a need to access the site from several different directions</p> <p>Income generation is important and will help the sustainability of the site. This idea will be given consideration.</p> <p>Noted with thanks.</p>
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