Community Consultation on Kinneil Estate and Foreshore



Final Report - Spring 2012

Introduction

Last year The Friends of Kinneil was lucky enough to be awarded more than £4000 to conduct a community consultation exercise.

We focused on the Deanfield area of Bo'ness and asked residents about two neighbouring parks - at Kinneil Estate and Kinneil Foreshore. We think it's been a very successful exercise.

This report outlines what local people had to say and the way we collected information, working with an excellent project worker, Graeme Kane.



All the feedback given will be passed to Falkirk Council, Falkirk Community Trust and our partners at Historic Scotland. We hope it will lead to even more improvements to Kinneil in the years ahead (and hopefully much needed investment for the Kinneil area).

As well as giving locals the chance to have their say, we're confident the exercise has also massively increased the profile of The Friends of Kinneil, our activities - and the parks themselves.

- Our website (www.kinneil.org.uk) promoted during the consultation had around 17,500 visits in 2011, up around 43 per cent on the previous year.
- Open days at Kinneil House also promoted during the consultation were also busier. A total of 2025 people toured inside the mansion in the past year, compared to 1622 visitors in 2010 an increase of nearly 25 per cent.
- Plus our Facebook page (www.fb.com/kinneil) saw increased number of "likes".

Through the community consultation exercise, we established that people wanted to see better play facilities. The doorstep surveys also flagged up strong support for investment in Kinneil House and Museum - and perhaps the establishment of a coffee/gift shop within the Estate. The full results of the surveys are listed in the report.

Funding for this project has been secured through the Growing Communities Fund, a small grants programme aimed at helping local groups and people in regeneration areas to become more involved in their communities. The fund also helps residents influence local services and improve their local areas. The fund is managed locally by CVS Falkirk and District – using cash from the Scottish Government's Fairer Scotland Fund.

We'd like to say a big thank you to everyone involved. I hope you enjoy reading the final report.

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The survey responses

This report outlines the findings from The Friends of Kinneil's community consultation, funded by the Growing Communities Fund, administered by Falkirk and District CVS, writes Graeme Kane, pictured right.

The idea was to primarily engage the residents of the Deanfield area of Bo'ness on their views about the Kinneil Estate and Foreshore.

This report aims to bring together the views expressed during the consultation. We hope this analysis will help the participants, partners and other stakeholders develop plans to improve both sites.

In conducting this consultation, we sought the views of:

- residents of the Deanfield area;
- parents and pupils in schools serving that community (Kinneil Primary School and St. Mary's R.C. Primary School); and
- older people living in assisted accommodation near Deanfield.

We asked respondents about the potential services and facilities they would like incorporated into an estates management plan.

In particular, we talked to people about:

- the condition and style of the estate and foreshore as it is today;
- current use of physical space;
- · community safety concerns;
- potential use of Estate and Foreshore;
- what services / facilities could be provided?
- how best could these sites be used?
- what people liked about these areas; and
- what should an upgraded Kinneil Estate and Foreshore look like?

It was decided by The Friends of Kinneil to use the "Mapping Your Future" consultation technique – to encourage strong participation and to ensure that all members of the community had the opportunity to have their say. This uses large-scale maps, and cards - asking people to map their



aspirations on the areas involved.

Drop-in sessions were held at Kinneil Bowling Club, the Old Kirk Church Hall, St. Mary's R.C. Primary School and Kinneil Primary School.

This community engagement tool

uses a scale model of the area to be considered and a wide range of coloured pictorial "option" cards which participants place on the model to indicate their concerns, ideas, suggestions and aspirations.

The consultation events were well publicised locally with leaflet drops covering all the households in the Deanfield area. Kinneil Bowling Club and the Old Kirk displayed posters and leaflets promoting the consultation. In addition, The Friends of Kinneil issued a press release prior to the events in the form of a newsletter, giving details about the consultation and encouraging local people to take part.

Two preliminary meetings about the Kinneil Estate and Foreshore were held prior to the community consultation.

Firstly, with the funders CVS Growing Communities Fund and secondly a joint meeting was organised between the Falkirk Council's local community planning officers and The Friends of Kinneil to discuss the supporting of the consultation.

CONSULTATION

The initial consultation started on Wednesday, August 24, 2011, with a door-to-door survey in the Deanfield area. This involved taking a questionnaire to more than 250 houses. Although not everyone was available, we did receive a good response and now have over 60 completed questionnaires. Details are in Appendix One.



This also provided a great opportunity to engage with the community and to listen informally to their opinions on both the Kinneil Estate and the Foreshore.

Many of the respondents were elderly and have an excellent living memory. They gave invaluable information into how the Kinneil Estate was in the past and how the Foreshore has developed since the closure of the mines.

Maria Ford, chairperson from The Friends of Kinneil, also organised a visit to Dean Court, an assisted living space for the elderly. Residents were asked to fill in a questionnaire and were helped by a Community Learning and Development worker from Falkirk Council and the Local Community Planning Officer to do so.

Refreshments were provided to encourage participation and discussion. Of primary concern to the Dean Court residents was the lack of seating on what are quite long walking paths, and that it was a barrier to many older people thinking of using the Estate as they had nowhere to rest if they were tired from walking. As a result of the consultation exercise, there has also been a link-up with the Step Forth group, which organises health walks around Kinneil.

MAPPING YOUR FUTURE EVENTS

To consult using the "Mapping Your Future"

technique, a three-dimensional model was made of the Deanfield area and adjacent Foreshore, with an additional model to represent the Kinneil Estate and woods. There was also a scale model of Kinneil House built.

The model boards were set up on a number of tables. Next to the models were a large selection of coloured pictorial "option" cards which were to be pinned directly onto the model. The cards covered five main categories:

- · environment:
- · community safety;
- · facilities;
- · leisure: and
- · miscellaneous.

There were also blank cards, allowing people to write down their specific opinions.

Participants placed their option cards on the model in the appropriate places to reflect their views about problems and issues they had, where they would like to see new services and what changes and improvements were needed.

This process allows the consultants to see the pertinent issues geographically, so we know exactly where an issue or an improvement is to be located, and has the added benefit of allowing the participants to see each other's option cards on the map and similarities in view points.



The session at Bo'ness Old Kirk prompted good responses.

All cards were recorded (quantity and location) as the events progressed. Representatives from The Friends of Kinneil, the appointed project worker and local officers from Falkirk Council were on hand to ensure that no-ones ideas were moved before they were recorded.

Participants were encouraged to concentrate on the Kinneil Estate and Foreshore area, although the consultation also gathered information about the surrounding area.

The first two "Mapping Your Future" events were held within the Deanfield area at Kinneil Bowling Club and the Old Kirk.

The format was a drop in session with refreshments provided so people could come and go as they pleased, have a bite to eat and a drink and then ticket the maps and have a chat about any issues they were experiencing and what should be the focus of any future developments.

The publicity for the events worked well and this was apparent during the consultation at both the Bowling Club and Old Kirk, where the Ladies' Bowling Team and the Women's Guild from the Kirk got involved.

Not only did the participants ticket the map and fill out some questionnaires, a number of secondary outcomes were achieved as divergent local groups had the chance to meet up and plan future collaborative activities.

The map boards were then taken to the local primary schools. There were two events ran at Kinneil Primary School and one at St Mary's R.C. Primary School. The first event at Kinneil School was at a parents and teachers day, so the parents of children living in the Deanfield area would have a second chance to get involved in the "Mapping Your Future" exercise and to fill out a questionnaire.

We set up in the entrance hall of the school and it was a success, as we had scores of parents and some teachers ticketing the map and filling out the questionnaire.

The second and third school events which took place at Kinneil Primary School and St Mary's R.C. School were focused on the children. They

were invited to view the map one class at a time throughout the day. The purpose of the exercise was explained to the children and they were given a little help to ticket the map. This generated a great deal of information and some terrific ideas. The children seemed to enjoy participating with the map and it was evident they all knew about Kinneil House and liked to visit the Estate for a multitude of reasons. Some of the older children had an opportunity to record their answers to the questionnaire on the Voxur system. This is a portable computer that displays and records the questions and answers from the questionnaire as video footage.

All events were well attended with a steady stream of participants taking part in the consultation. A minimum of 6 facilitators, from The Friends of Kinneil, local community planning and a community education worker were present at all times to explain the process, encourage participation, provide information and assist in recording the information gathered.

The events were well attended with over 80 people turning out to participate at the drop in events and more than 400 primary school children taking part. Their ideas are analysed in Appendix Two.

Feedback forms and questionnaires were also made available for any longer or more detailed comments about Kinneil Estate or Foreshore or about the consultation process.

In addition to the vast amount of raw data generated at the events, there was considerable discussion between participants about the future of Kinneil Estate and Foreshore. This open discussion helped participants to formulate ideas about what they considered would be the best developments in these areas.

DATA ANALYSIS

The selection of "option" cards placed on the model and the written comments have illustrated the more important services and features the residents would like to see offered in new developments in and around Kinneil Estate and Foreshore. Some of the issues identified, for example community safety issues, are beyond the remit of this consultation. However all feedback

is being passed on to the Council and other partners. It is clear, however, that a fear of crime, and the importance of creating public spaces where people feel safe should be considered a priority in any development at Kinneil.

Participants from the Deanfield area were particularly concerned with the amount of dog fouling and the lack of traffic speed reduction measures in Deanfield itself.

There were also concerns raised about anti-social behavioural problems on the estate at night, with discarded alcohol containers and used needles being found, as well as problems with broken glass and fire-raising in the woods.

More positive issues also fell out-width the remit of this consultation and include an idea for a memorial garden for deceased miners, an appeal by some Kinneil School children to save the old quarry next to the school and a number of elderly residents enquiring about the provision of a community minibus to enable access to leisure activities for the immobile and infirm. Also flagged as an issue is the lack of disabled access to the Foreshore, with the normal access points difficult to navigate in a wheelchair.

All information gathered from the consultation that relates to specific statutory or other agencies will be passed on to those agencies for comment and action, at the feedback session planned in 2012.

The data has been analysed by counting the number of specific "option cards" placed on the model and by pulling written comments into groups or themes which reflect the majority view. These themes are explored further in the next section and are divided into the following main headings;

- · Better play facilities;
- Mountain bike trails/Skate park;
- · Sports facilities:
- Return of "Pets' Corner";
- · Visiting Kinneil Estate and Foreshore; and
- · Investment in Kinneil House and Museum.

BETTER PLAY FACILITIES

The number one issue raised by both the questionnaire and the Mapping Your Future events

was the need for better play facilities for children at the Kinneil Estate and Foreshore.

One respondent said that they "definitely need to improve the play park at Kinneil. An adventure playground with a Roman fort theme would keep it in sync with the history of Kinneil".

Most envisage something similar to the heritage play park at Callendar House in Falkirk. Another noted the lack of play facilities for children and that there would be "no incentive for children to stay active and healthy if there is nothing for them to play with." The children at both schools also had the introduction of an adventure play park as the development they would most like to see.

MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAILS / SKATE PARK

The data shows that requests for bike trails in the Kinneil Woods and a skate park in Kinneil Estate is another prevalent issue. Over half the respondents to the questionnaire viewed the development of dedicated bike trails in Kinneil Woods favourably and both the bike trails and skate park are in the top ten issues raised with the option cards.

As one respondent says: "A skate park would be a big hit for the teens and give them somewhere to 'hang out' rather than the children's parks."

SPORTS FACILITIES

If taken together as one category, the various requests for sports facilities would be the number one issue to come from the consultation. The data from the 'Mapping Your Future events shows that there is real demand for access to sporting facilities from young people in Bo'ness. Amongst the ordinary ideas for football pitches, tennis courts and basketball nets were more exotic requests for climbing walls, archery, martial arts and canoeing to name a few. See Appendix Two.

RETURN OF PETS CORNER

There used to be a "Pets' Corner" next to Kinneil House which had a number of petting animals that children could interact with in a supervised environment.



The consultation exercise promoted lots of discussion at St. Mary's Primary School.



Maria Ford, the chair of The Friends of Kinneil, talks to pupils at Kinneil Primary School during one of the Mapping Your Future events.

A number of people surveyed stated they would like to see the re-introduction of this feature of Kinneil Estate. One said: "I would like to see the Pets' Corner restored, it was nice to walk along with the grandchildren". Another said: "Pets' Corner was great for the children."

In addition to this the data shows that children participating from the primary schools had the introduction of a petting zoo or city farm as two of their top issues raised even though they are not old enough to remember "Pets Corner" as it was.

VISITING KINNEIL ESTATE AND FORESHORE

Most people who visit Kinneil Estate and Foreshore do so to go for a walk.

Over 80 per cent of respondents to the questionnaire used Kinneil Estate to go walking and over 60 percent used the Foreshore for the same purpose.

One respondent argues that "walking is the most important facility at the estate". Pulling together responses from both the questionnaire and the events show that there are a few main points people would like to see addressed in regards to walking at the sites. Both areas are felt to have a lack of seating, which makes access and walking

difficult for the elderly, infirm and unfit. The paths are thought to need improvement. One resident said that the "current paths become waterlogged and are troublesome for mothers with buggies".

Two others felt that the paths and the woods were badly mismanaged and needed to be sorted out. Almost half of the respondents to the questionnaire thought that the Estate and Foreshore needed better signage and promotion, to help new visitors find their way around but also so people were aware of all the different walking paths. Some also felt that signs were needed to provide a link between the Foreshore, Kinneil Estate and other tourist attractions in Bo'ness (work is starting on this project, in association with Falkirk Council as a result of this exercise.)

A picnic area with benches was also a popular idea at the Mapping Your Future events, in either or both locations.

Another issue of prominence regarding the Estate and Foreshore was irresponsible dog ownership and the mess that it creates. Responses from both the questionnaire and events request more bins for dog waste, dogs to be kept on leads, dogs to be excluded from some areas and even perhaps a dog warden to patrol the estate.

INVESTMENT IN KINNEIL HOUSE AND MUSEUM

Also highlighted was that just under 60 per cent of those surveyed have visited both Kinneil House and the Museum and that a slightly larger number would like to see investment made to improve both buildings. People would like more regular access to the House as it is at the moment. They feel there are too few open days to view it.

Many have aspirations to see the House restored to its period style with renaissance fixtures and furnishings, to be used as a venue for important functions like weddings or to become a "big historic house like Callendar Park with costumed guides". One person stated they "would love to see the house competitive and comparative to Callendar House. Serious investment is needed."

Some feel that there should be "better signage on the museum so people know where it is. Museum needs better publicity - using the Library in the



town, Health Centre waiting room, One Stop Shop and (Community) Education facilities on Main Street".

Others feel that the Museum needed longer opening hours and that artefacts taken away from Kinneil should be brought back to the Museum. The idea of having a coffee shop and a garden centre on the estate also received positive feedback with over half of respondents in favour of both.

SECONDARY OUTCOMES

During the consultation process a number of secondary outcomes were achieved. These were as follows:

Some of the residents of Dean Court and the Woman's Guild from the Old Kirk are now involved with the Step Forth walking initiative, which runs health walks in Kinneil Estate and on the Foreshore.

The consultation also raised awareness of a lack of knowledge across the community of various initiatives supporting the history and heritage of Bo'ness. It's clear there is a need for a more co-ordinated approach to maximise local involvement.

On the plus side, positive partnership opportunities across disciplines have been forged, especially between schools and the Council's local community planning and community learning and development teams.

Representatives from The Friends of Kinneil also met with a group of local childminders who were planning to do their own survey on the need for better play facilities in the community. It was decided to work in partnership to achieve these aims, considering the overwhelming support for such an idea during the consultation process.

CONCLUSIONS

It is clear from the consultation results that in order for the Foreshore and Estate to be used more frequently by those consulted, all of the above key issues and aspirations need to be taken into account. Ideally any changes made to Kinneil Estate and Foreshore would need to be considered alongside existing provision. For example, what are the links between the railway and how could signage and access be changed to improve the area? The whole area needs a more comprehensive plan.

The preliminary meetings with councillors, agencies and the public consultation events have demonstrated that Kinneil Estate and Foreshore are important local assets which residents, businesses and other users would like to see improved.

Whilst there were very few comments asking for the Estate and Foreshore to stay as they were, there was clearly an expectation that any new development would be sympathetic to the sites' history. In my view, the history of these areas is a key asset. Used properly, it can attract locals and visitors alike. In short, more visitors can mean more sustainable projects.

Participants at the public consultation events were very enthusiastic about the consultation process, and keen to share their opinions. The numbers involved reflects the strength and passion of feelings locally about the Kinneil Estate and Foreshore. We hope this report, and its findings, will stimulate fresh investment and a more positive future for the area.

GRAEME KANE,

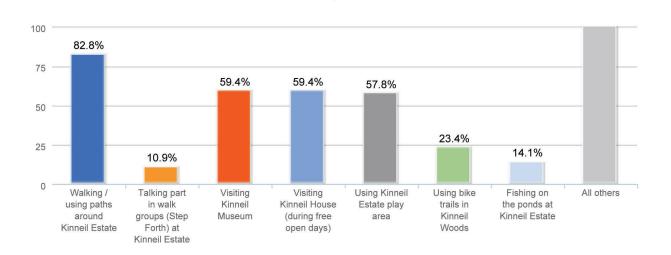
Friends of Kinneil Project Worker, Winter 2011





Appendix One - Doorstep Surveys

1. Think about Kinneil Estate and the Foreshore (the area previously occupied by the former Kinneil Colliery). Tell us which of the following features / facilities you use?



Value	Count	Percent %
Walking / using paths around Kinneil Estate	53	82.8%
Talking part in walk groups (Step Forth) at Kinneil Estate	7	10.9%
Visiting Kinneil Museum	38	59.4%
Visiting Kinneil House (during free open days)	38	59.4%
Jsing Kinneil Estate play area	37	57.8%
Jsing bike trails in Kinneil Woods	15	23.4%
Fishing on the ponds at Kinneil Estate	9	14.1%
Feeding ducks / swans at Kinneil Estate	35	54.7%
Exploring the historical sites in Kinneil Estate		
(Fortlet, Church, James Watt's Cottage)	29	45.3%
Attending events in the Estate, i.e. the		
Heritage Day, Hill climb	35	54.7%
Walks/paths around Kinneil Foreshore	39	60.9%
Watching birds on the Foreshore	17	26.6%
Talking part in walk groups (Step Forth)		
at Kinneil Foreshore	4	6.3%
Jsing bike trails around Kinneil Foreshore	11	17.2%

Pictured left: Maria Ford at the consultation event in Kinneil Primary School.

Using the paths around the estate was the most popular response.

2. Thinking of the facilities above. How would you like to see these improved - and which ones are most important to you?

- * Better play area. Bouncy castles.
- * Better play facilities. More for teenagers to do.
- * Bigger play park.
- * Children's play area to be fenced off from dogs.
- * Clean up dogs' mess.
- * Found a syringe at the foreshore, perhaps more cleaning needed.
- * Improve paths.
- * Keeping all areas well maintained.
- * Love walking in woods with the children. More people should use the Estate.
- * More access to the House. Restore the central tower.
- * More activities/fun days at weekends for kids.
- * More facilities for young people
- * More family-oriented activities. More children involved.
- * More seats needed at Kinneil Estate. Pitch and Putt.
- * More toilets needed. "Pets Corner" was great for the children.
- * Need to have more signs at the Kinneil Estate showing all the paths.
- * Not enough bins
- * Organise litter picking days to clean up around the Kinneil ponds.
- * The Foreshore. Hurry up with improvements waiting eight years.
- * The play area is really well used by my kids so it would be nice to see something a bit bigger.
- * Trees and branches could be cut back on walking paths.
- * Trees have fallen down and need to be tidied up.
- * Visiting the House and Estate. Nice to be able to see inside more often.
- * Walking area could be cleaned of dog mess. Dog wardens introduced.
- * Would like to see dog dirt cleaned up. Dog wardens brought in.
- * Would like to see more lakes.
- * Would like to see the House open more often.
- * More seats along the Avenue (the route into Kinneil Estate). Maybe steel seats from the Foundry. Benches/sleepers to stop vandalism around the woods. Step Forth walks are too long, but willing to go on shorter walks. Need to do something with Kinneil House and the James Watt Cottage. Wood artists/sculptures in woods. Make the harbour into a swimming pool.
- * I would love to see the children's play parks improved dramatically as it is an inconvenience travelling up to Linlithgow or Grangemouth to entertain children. No incentive for children to stay active and healthy if there is nothing for them to play with.
- * Annual Hill Climb event. Would like to see Stel Steps again (metal steps from Deanfield to the Foreshore). Bus stop at bottom of Estate
- * I would like to see the "Pets' Corner" restored. It was nice to walk along with the grandchildren.
- * Add pitch and putt, cricket pitch and caravan facilities. More seats in estate and especially along avenue.
- * Walking is the most important facility at the estate. Need improvement to walking paths, better access for buggies. All without turning the estate into a "manicured" municipal park. The conifer trees need thinning to encourage glade and light areas to encourage more broad leaf woods.
- * Better paths at the estate. Current paths become waterlogged and are troublesome for mothers with buggies.
- * Space should be used more. Bike trail is a good idea. Play area improved. Better security/ fences for play area.
- * More picnic spaces needed. Bigger fences built around the play park. Wardens patrolling at night.

"More family oriented activities. More children involved."

2. Continued - Thinking of the facilities above. How would you like to see these improved - and which ones are most important to you?

- * Better paths needed at estate. Ponds need cleaned out. More seats. Better play area. Designated bike trails.
- * No access for disabled people. No disabled parking, every access to foreshore has metal gates. (not easy to navigate for disabled people). Car park at Dock St, Grangepans have pot holes. Access at Grangepans would be nice, no railway to cross. Clean up the ponds. More benches along the Avenue. Better communication and promotion of events. Not a single person in Dean Court had heard of the (Kinneil Estate) Heritage Day.
- * Woods are mismanaged. Ditches need cleaned out, trees need thinned out. Bridges on Estate need checked/inspected.
- * Like walking on Foreshore, attending events. Should be more events. Animal Farm/Pets' Corner restored.
- * Bike trails please. Do something about dog fouling. Feed for birds sold on site. Excess weeds in front of house and surrounding district.
- * Paths kept clear of fallen trees. Stop people leaving dog dirt on paths and in trees. Apart from that it's great walking through the woods.
- * More rough areas, less cut grass. More fruit i.e trees and bushes. Cherries, walnuts, apples/pears, plum, blackcurrant, redcurrant, gooseberry. This would feed children out for a walk and birds/animals. Foxes like cherries.
- * Needs to be kept more clean. Litter/rubbish is an issue. More bins needed, especially for dog waste.
- * Definitely need to improve the play park at Kinneil. An adventure playground with a Roman Fort theme would keep it in sync with the history of Kinneil. Picnic benches around the playground would be fab too. A skate park would be a big hit for the teens and give them somewhere to "hang out" rather than the children's parks.
- * What about a caravan park?
- * Concerned about proposed bike trail. Will fast cycles and pedestrians be in the same area / on same paths. National cycle trail no. 76 passes through the estate at present.

3. Turning to the museum, specifically. How would you improve it?

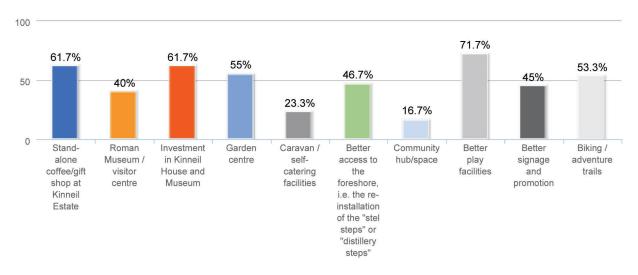
- * Better access events at weekends.
- * Better information on collections and opening times needed.
- * Bigger Museum and more history.
- * Don't know have never been in the building.
- * Ghost candle walk at Hallowe'en.
- * I would bring artefacts from Callendar House to Kinneil Museum where they belong.
- * Is great the way it is.
- * It's a very small museum. If it was bigger it could hold more and be more informative.
- * Longer opening hours.
- * Make it child friendly.
- * Make it more spacious to move around in.
- * More advertising locally and beyond.
- * Better signage on the Museum so people know where it is. Museum needs better publicity
- using the Library in the town, Health Centre waiting room, One Stop Shop and (Community) Education facilities on Main Street.

4. You can see inside Kinneil House during special, free open days, run by Historic Scotland in conjunction with The Friends of Kinneil. Tell us your vision for the House (to restore it? turn into flats? transform into a big museum? restaurant? community space?)

- * Access to House more often. More to see at the House.
- * Better information on days open. Better access to house.
- * Big museum.
- * Do not turn into flats. Transform into a big museum.
- * Garden parties, wedding reception, small conference centre.
- * Hotel/cafe. Restore to original condition complete with antique furniture etc.
- * House to be use for something. i.e. weddings. Not used much at all at the moment
- * I feel it could be used more in connection with the community.
- * It would be nice to have a place to eat there.
- * Make it into a bigger museum with cafe.
- * Open to public more often.
- * Restore Kinneil House.
- * Restore House. Do not want to see it used as housing/flats.
- * Restore it. Turn into museum
- * Restore the main tower, just a wasted space at the moment.
- * Restore! Bo'ness has enough flats.
- * Restore, as history is important to the community.
- * Restored to as it was. If possible open up more of the house.
- * Transform into a wedding venue.
- * Turn into restaurant space.
- * Turn into some sort of venue. weddings etc.
- * Turn it in to a venue of some sort.
- * Turn it into a big historic house like Callendar Park with costume guides.
- * Would like to see it open more often.
- * Last time the House was used before the roof was removed was for a wedding reception. The large room on the second floor of the main building. Mr and Mrs Laird were the couple.
- * I would restore it to its former glory, or part of it, at least. The rooms could be sealed off and have dummies wearing period clothing etc with either written plaques or with narration to explain the rooms.
- * It would be useful as a community building. There is really nothing you couldn't do with the building.
- * Would love to see House competitive and comparative to Callendar House. Serious investment is needed.
- * What happened to curtains at the windows? These were drawn to keep the paintings from fading and Historic Scotland regularly touched up the colours.

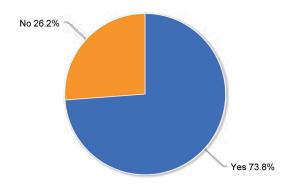
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5. New things. If funds were available, which of these improvements would you specifically support



Value	Count	Percent %
Stand-alone coffee/gift shop at Kinneil Estate	37	61.7%
Roman Museum / visitor centre	24	40%
Investment in Kinneil House and Museum	37	61.7%
Garden centre	33	55%
Caravan / self-catering facilities	14	23.3%
Better access to the foreshore, i.e. the		
re-installation of the "stel steps" or "distillery steps"	28	46.7%
Community hub/space	10	16.7%
Better play facilities	43	71.7%
Better signage and promotion	27	45%
Biking / adventure trails	32	53.3%

6. Would you like to get involved with The Friends of Kinneil or estate/foreshore projects - or at least get more information on future projects?



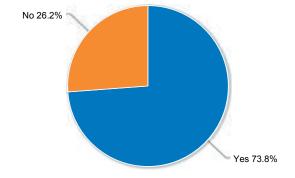
7. Any other comments to make about Kinneil Estate or Kinneil Foreshore? All ideas are welcome.

- * Anti-social behaviour problems on Estate. Found dirty needles and broken glass at play park.
- * Any improvement at all is great. Information needs to be in the local paper.
- * Better control of dog fouling. Toilet facilities. Restoration of pets corner.
- * I think they are great places and the kids love them.
- * Less dogs running wild. Dogs should be kept on a leash.
- * More promotion of the Estate to bring in more visitors. More investment needed on House.
- * More seating in the Kinneil Estate, especially along the Avenue.
- * Only see information on upcoming events in local paper.
- * Reintroduce the "Stel Steps" (metal steps from Deanfield to the Foreshore).
- * Still waiting on contact from The Friends of Kinneil.
- * The bike paths are too near the footpaths.
- * Where are all the bluebells? More toilets.
- * Willing to use Step Forth if smaller walks, more benches and transport.
- * Would be willing to use Step Forth walks if transport was available and more seats for rests.
- * Would like to see a coffee shop at House/Museum.
- * Would welcome improved play park. Worried that vandals would ruin it.
- * polluted with dog dirt.
- * Sculpture garden at foreshore would be nice. Anti-social behaviour problems. (Teenagers drinking etc).
- * Problems with arson in woods. Anti-social behaviour problems in woods. (Broken trees, fires, litter).
- * Not enough litter bins and not enough dog waste bins. Litter and dog fouling are a problem. Kids with motorbikes are an issue. People are discarding disposable barbecues. Dogs should not be free to run wild/loose. Perhaps an American style dog park is an idea.
- * Marker stone that marks the Antonine Wall on Harbour Road is too faded and can't be read. Collaboration between Railway and The Friends of Kinneil to get more visitors from the shore to the estate. Fill in Dock (skating rink, skate park). Go kart track/pool room would be nice.
- * Before the War there was a putting green and a hut that sold soda (in the estate). Garden centre is a must have. It would bring visitors and be great for Bo'ness people. Falkirk Council took over the estate and it was neglected for many years. Very glad The Friends of Kinneil have helped a great deal. Too old to get involved but could supply a bit of information. Was born in the small house at gardens and lived in Duchess Anne cottages.
- * I would like to see dog wardens in the Loan as fouling is terrible and it is not picked up. Lots of kids running about this area. Kinneil Estate is a beautiful area which is and has been enjoyed by people of all ages for many years. I'd hate to see it spoiled by too much modernising. However I do think that the Museum could be better so that children find it more interesting.
- * No bike trails in the woods! The nature of the sport excludes people from walking. Bike trails will ruin it. Forest is very poorly managed.
- * Could manage walking more if seats are added. Transport to the estate needed for elderly people.
- * More dog waste bins. More litter bins. More play areas and equipment. Pram friendly access to all areas. Community wardens patrolling to stop vandalism.
- * Stel steps. Concerned that they would finish on a busy main road, but with care would be a welcome. Better path to open would be the one that leads to the foreshore at Corbiehall. (Pan Brae). It has no steps on its length and has historical connections to the "Dukes" salt pans.
- * Paths/woods poorly managed! In favour of bike trails for kids. Some good sites near the tip on Foreshore for a motorbike scrambling track.

7. Continued - Any other comments to make about Kinneil Estate or Kinneil Foreshore? All ideas are welcome.

- * Arboretum, lots of diversity in the types of trees, closer to town on the Foreshore. Try to use timber resources.
- * House should be open at night, especially at Hallowe'en. Have a ghost tour. Enjoyed newsletter, would like to see more.
- * Get the schools involved. Each school could have a path. Involve the lower schools in having fairy doorways on the trees. The Helix are doing this at Fairy Glen in Falkirk and this could tie in. The schools could be involved in signage. Children could talk to The Friends of Kinneil. Head teachers would welcome this as it could be across generational project.
- * Lack of bus service. Dial-a-Bus for elderly residents would be nice. No seats or toilets on the Estate. Used to be rows of benches. Play facilities should be on a par with Callendar Park.
- * Should have a golf course, motor bike track and good farm shop. Space should be opened up for young people. Good lock up space for bikes.
- * Not enough facilities. Roads can be dangerous to children. Not enough signs. Better paths needed. The Dean Burn needs fenced. It and other deep ditches are dangerous to children.
- * If money was available, to restore Kinneil House to its former glory. Then it could be hired out for weddings and corporate functions and pay for itself.
- * Would like to see a garden centre. Dogs should be kept on a leash. More responsible owners would be nice.

Would you like to be kept up-to-date about community events and groups at Kinneil Estate and Kinneil Foreshore? (Make sure you give us your contact details if you would.)



The survey respondents gave their addresses as at: Deanfield Place, Deanfield Terrace, Deanfield Road, The Loan, Dean Road, Borrowstoun Place, Forthview Crescent, Angus Road, Snab Lane, Dean Court, Ewart Grove, Baptie Place and Linlithgow Road, all Bo'ness.

Interviews took place in the autumn of 2011.

Full paperwork for the consultation exercise is available online at:

www.kinneil.org.uk/deanfield

Appendix Two - Mapping Events

At the Mapping Your Future events, we asked adults and children from the Deanfield area what they wanted to see delivered at Kinneil Estate and Foreshore (and in Deanfield itself). The number of responses for each item is listed below.



Leisure **Facilities** Environ. Com Safety Misc.

COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES

5	Dog Park	Kinneil Estate Primary School
5	Speed bumps on road	Deanfield Area - Adults
5	Clean Up	Foreshore - Adults
4	Dog Warden	Deanfield Area - Adults
4	Dog Toilet	Deanfield Area - Adults
4	Dog Walking Area	Foreshore - Adults
3	Dog Walking Area	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Adults
3	Dog Free Zone	Kinneil Estate - Adults
3	Clean up area	Deanfield Area - Adults
3	Dog Toilet	Foreshore - Adults
2	Dog Free Zone	Foreshore - Pupils
2	Clean Up	Foreshore - Pupils
2	Dog Park	Foreshore - Pupils
2	Dog Waste Bins	Kinneil Estate Primary School
2	Litter Bins	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Adults
2	Dog Warden	Kinneil Estate - Adults
2	Problem with dog fouling	Deanfield Area - Adults
2	Dog Free Zone	Foreshore - Adults
2	Litter Bins	Foreshore - Adults
1	Litter picks	Foreshore - Pupils
1	More penalties for dog ownrs	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Bike Free Zone	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Clean Up	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Adults
1	Dog Toilet	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Clean up broken bottles	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Litter bins	Deanfield Area - Adults
1	Dog Toilet	Deanfield Area - Pupils
1	Dog Warden	Foreshore - Adults
1	Portable Toilets	Foreshore - Adults

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ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

6	Plant Trees	Foreshore - Adults
4	Landscaped Park	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
4	Nature Reserve	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
4	Small Pond	Foreshore - Pupils
4	Arboretum	Foreshore - Adults
3	Improve Paths	Kinneil Estate - Adults
3	Small Pond	Deanfield Area - Pupils
3	Nature Reserve	Foreshore - Adults
3	Landscaped Park	Foreshore - Adults
3	Allotments	Foreshore - Adults
3	Nature Trail	Foreshore - Adults
2	Nature Trail	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
2	Horse Trail	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
2	Special Bird Feed	Foreshore - Pupils
2	Allotments	Kinneil Estate - Adults
2	Paved Garden with shrubs	Kinneil Estate - Adults
2	Plant Trees / Shrubs	Deanfield Area - Adults
2	Wildlife Hide	Foreshore - Adults
2	Woodland Walk	Foreshore - Adults
2	Wildflower Meadow	Foreshore - Adults
1	Waterfalls	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
1	Paved Area With Shrubs	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
1	Tree House	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
1	Signs for Flowers	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Landscaped Park	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Nature Trail	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Garden Centre	Kinneil Estate Primary School
1	Allotments	Kinneil Estate Primary School
1	Horse Trail	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Adults
1	Tidy Church Area	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Bridle Paths	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Fossilized Tree	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Trees/Bushes Pruned	Deanfield Area - Adults
1	Diversity trees and bushes	Foreshore - Adults
1	More Paths	Foreshore - Adults
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Summary of all Mapping responses

LEISURE ISSUES

48	Adventure Play Park	Kinneil Estate Primary School
18	Skate Park	Kinneil Estate Primary School
15	Paddling Pool	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
11	Football Pitch	Foreshore - Pupils
9	Football Pitch	Kinneil Estate Primary School
8	Bike Track	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
7	Fishing Area	Foreshore - Pupils
7	Bike Track	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Adults
6	Football Pitch	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
5	Paddling Pool	Foreshore - Pupils
5	Tennis Court	Kinneil Estate Primary School
5	Under 5 Playground	Kinneil Estate Primary School
4	Tennis Courts	Foreshore - Pupils
4	Basketball Court	Kinneil Estate Primary School
4	Adventure Play Park	Kinneil Estate - Adults
3	Sports Equipment/Bike Hire	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
3	Art Gallery/Studio	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
3	Sports Complex	Foreshore - Pupils
3	Fun Fair	Foreshore - Pupils
3	Fishing	Kinneil Estate Primary School
3	Fishing at pond	Kinneil Estate - Adults
3	Adventure Play park	Deanfield Area - Pupils
2	Sports Complex	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
2	Surf Shack	Foreshore - Pupils
2	Bike Trail	Foreshore - Pupils
2	Motorbike Track	Foreshore - Pupils
2	Pitch and Putt	Kinneil Estate - Adults
2	Football Pitch	Deanfield Area - Adults
2	Heritage/Adven. Play park	Foreshore - Adults
1	Motorbike	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
1	Dance Studio	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Tupils Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
1		Foreshore - Pupils
1	Changing Room	·
	Water park	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Canoeing	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Crazy Golf	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Art Studio	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Pitch and Putt	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Cricket Pitch	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Baseball Diamond	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Climbing Wall	Kinneil Estate Primary School
1	Tree Swings	Kinneil Estate Primary School
1	Fishing or Pond	Kinneil Estate Primary School
1	Obstacle Course	Kinneil Estate Primary School
1	Orienteering	Kinneil Estate Primary School
1	Sand Pit	Kinneil Estate Primary School
1	Pitch and Putt	Kinneil Estate Primary School
1	Archery	Kinneil Estate Primary School
1	Paddling Pool	Deanfield Area - Adults
1	Heritage/Adven. Play park	Deanfield Area - Adults

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FACILITIES ISSUES

17	Heritage /Adv play park	Foreshore - Pupils
9	Picnic Area	Kinneil Estate - Pupils
8	Petting Zoo / City Farm	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
8	City Farm	Foreshore - Pupils
7	Cafe / Shop	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
6	Camping Site	Foreshore - Pupils
5	Martial Arts	Kinneil Estate - Pupils
5	Benches / Seats	Foreshore (Adults
4	Camp Site	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
4	Youth Theatre	Kinneil Estate - Pupils
4	Benches	Kinneil Estate - Adults
3	Picnic Area	Kinneil Estate - Adults
3	Viewpoint	Foreshore - Adults
2	Swimming Pool	Foreshore - Pupils
2	Picnic Benches	Foreshore - Pupils
2	Sports Complex	Kinneil Estate - Pupils
2	City Farm	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Library	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
1	Diving Reef	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Caravan Park	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Boat Rides	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Outdoor Ed Centre	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Butterfly Farm	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Club space for kids i.e. Scouts	Kinneil Estate - Pupils
1	Rowing Boats	Kinneil Estate - Pupils
1	Toilets	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Cafe	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Cycle Rack	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Cinema (outdoor)	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Benches in Park	Deanfield Area - Adults
1	Sea life Centre	Foreshore - Adults
1	Picnic Area	Foreshore - Adults
1	Concert Venue	Foreshore - Adults

MISCELLANEOUS ISSUES

ISSUES

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5	Shop	Foreshore - Pupils
4	Scavenge/Treasure Hunt	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
4	Museum selling bird feed	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
4	Zoo	Foreshore - Pupils
4	Disabled Access	Foreshore - Adults
3	Ghostly Guides	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
3	Hotel	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
3	Aquarium	Foreshore - Pupils
3	Save the Quarry	Deanfield Area - Pupils
2	Historical Re-enactment	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
2	Classic Car Museum	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
2	More open days	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
2	More Open Days	Kinneil Estate - House - Adults
2	Community Mini Bus	Foreshore - Adults
1	Signs descr. plants / animals	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Pupils
1	Circus	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
1	Aquarium	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
1	Restore central tower	Kinneil Estate - House - Pupils
1	Statue	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Ice Cream Shop	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Fireworks Display Area	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Zorbing	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Wooden Instrument Making	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Stel Steps	Foreshore - Pupils
1	Fairy Door Trail	Kinneil Estate Primary School
1	Wedding Venue	Kinneil Estate - House - Adults
1	Restore House	Kinneil Estate - House - Adults
1	Move display board	Kinneil Estate - House - Adults
1	Dog Show	Kinneil Estate - Woods - Adults
1	Sell kites in museum	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Sign showing all paths	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Disabled access	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Parking for play park	Kinneil Estate - Adults
1	Miners garden	Foreshore - Adults
1	Better Signs	Foreshore - Adults
1	Easier Access	Foreshore - Adults

ISSUES

What the adults said

At the Mapping Your Future events, we asked adults from the Deanfield area what they wanted to see delivered at Kinneil Estate and Foreshore (and in Deanfield itself). The number of responses for each item is listed below.

Kinneil Estate - Woods

7	Bike Track
1	Clean Up
1	Dog Show
2	Litter Bins
3	Dog Walking Area
1	Horse Trail

Kinneil Estate - House

1	Wedding Venue
2	More open days
1	Restore House

1 Move display board so it can be seen

Wider Kinneil Estate

3	Picnic Area
3	Improve Paths
1	Tidy Church Area
1	Dog Toilet
1	Clean up broken bottles
1	Kite Flying (Sell kites in museum)
1	Bridle Paths
1	Fossilized Tree
1	Toilets
1	Cafe
1	Cycle Rack
1	Cinema (outdoor)
2	City Farm
1	Sign showing all paths
2	Pitch and Putt
2	Allotments

1 Parking for play park 3 Fishing at pond

Dog Warden Benches

Dog Free Zone Adventure Play Park Paved garden with shrubs

Disabled Access

Deanfield Area (Adults)

2

3

1

2

1	Litter bins
4	Dog Warden
5	Speed bumps on road
4	Dog toilet
3	Clean up area
1	Trees and bushes Pruned
1	Paddling pool
1	Heritage/Adventure Play Park
2	Problem with dog fouling
2	Football Pitch

Plant Trees/Shrubs Benches in Park

Foreshore

1	Memorial garden for deceased miners
3	Nature Reserve
5	Clean Up
2 3	Heritage Play Park / Adventure Play Park
	Landscaped Park
1	Better Signs
1	Diversity trees and bushes
1	Sea Life Centre
1	Easier Access
5	Benches/Seats
2	Wildlife Hide
	Dog Toilet
1	Dog Warden
2	Dog Free Zone
2	Litter Bins
4	Arboretum
2	Woodland Walk
2	Wild flower Meadow
3	Allotments
4	Disabled Access
1	Picnic Area
6	Plant Trees
3	Nature Trail
3	Viewpoint
4	Dog Walking Area
1	Portable Toilets
1	Concert Venue
1	More Paths
2	Community Mini Bus

TOP ISSUES

FOR CHILDREN

FOR ADULTS

48	Adventure Play Park (Kinneil Estate)
18	Skate Park (Kinneil Estate)
17	Heritage / Adventure play park

(Foreshore)

7	Bike Track (Kinneil Woods)
6	Plant Trees (Foreshore)
5	Clean up (Kinneil Foreshore)
5	Benches/seats (Foreshore)
5	Speed Bumps (Deanfield)

What the children said

At the Mapping Your Future events, we asked children from the Deanfield area what they wanted to see delivered at Kinneil Estate and Foreshore (and in Deanfield itself). The number of responses for each item is listed below.

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8			Allotments	
1	Motorbike	3	Fishing	
1	Waterfalls	Farrada		
2	Sports Complex	Foresh	ore	
6	Football Pitch	4	Otto for Element	
2	Nature Trail	1	Signs for Flowers	
4	Camp Site	1	Statue	
2	Horse Trail	2	Swimming Pool	
4	Landscaped Park	1	Diving Reef	
1	Paved Area With Shrubs	2	Surf Shack	
4	Nature Reserve	1	Changing Room	
1	Tree House	1	Caravan Park	
4	Scavenge / Treasure Hunt	1	Ice Cream Shop	
1	Signs describing plants / animals	2	Dog Free Zone	
		2	Picnic Benches	
Kinneil Estate - House		1	Water park	
		1	Fireworks Display Area	
4	Museum selling feed for birds	2	Special Bird Feed	
7	Cafe / Shop	1	Boat Rides	
3	Ghostly Guides	1	Canoeing	
8	Petting Zoo / City Farm	1	Zorbing	
15	Paddling Pool	1	Litter picks	
1	Circus	1	Wooden Instrument Making	
3	Hotel	1	Crazy Golf	
2	Historical Re-enactment	1	More penalty notices for dog owners	
1	Aguarium	_ 17	Heritage/Adventure play park	
2	Classic Car Museum	3	Sports Complex	
3	Sports equipment / bike hire	8	City Farm	
1	Restore central tower	6	Camping Site	
3	Art gallery / studio	4	Zoo	
2	More open days	3	Aquarium	
1	Library	4	Small Pond	
1	Dance Studio	1	Art Studio	
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Wider Kinneil Estate		1	Bike Free Zone	
2	Dog Wasta Ring		Stel Steps	
2	Dog Waste Bins	5	Paddling Pool	
18	Skate Park	1	Landscaped Park	
9	Picnic Area	3	Fun Fair	
1	Garden Centre	4	Tennis Courts	
1	Climbing Wall	1	Nature Trail	
48	Adventure Play Park	11	Football Pitch	
1	Tree Swings	2	Bike Trail	
5	Dog Park	7	Fishing Area	
1	Club Space for kids i.e. Scouts	1	Pitch and Putt	
4	Basketball Court	1	Cricket Pitch	
5	Tennis Court	1	Baseball Diamond	
9	Football Pitch	1	Outdoor Education Centre	
1	Fishing or Pond	5	Shop	
1	Obstacle Course	1	Butterfly Farm	
1	Rowing Boats	2	Dog Park	
1	Orienteering	2	Motorbike Track	
1	Sand Pit			
5	Martial Arts	Deanfie	eld area	
1	Fairy Door Trail			
2	Sports Complex	3	Save the Quarry	
5	Under 5 Playground	1	Dog Toilet	
4	Youth Theatre	3	Adventure Play park	
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