Portobello for Young People



THE CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL

Community Learning and Development



Portobello Community Council

Why the research?

- Community council engaging well with adults,
 wanted to explore reaching out to the young
- Discussions about young people on Social Media locally
- Discussions with CLD
- Skate park

Taking the plunge

- Joint approach between PCC and CLD
- Online survey and Face-to-face sessions
- Shared via Social Media, email
- Youth workers in the street and Here Comes the Summer event
- Local schools
- Word of mouth

What two things . . .

- You like doing in Porty?
- You'd like to change or improve?
- What's missing?
- What activities / facilities do you currently use?
- Would you like to see a skate park?

CLD - Facetime

The interactions lasted anywhere between 5 mins to 20 mins.

The youth workers consulted with young people on their own and in groups. The biggest group we ended with was probably about 8.

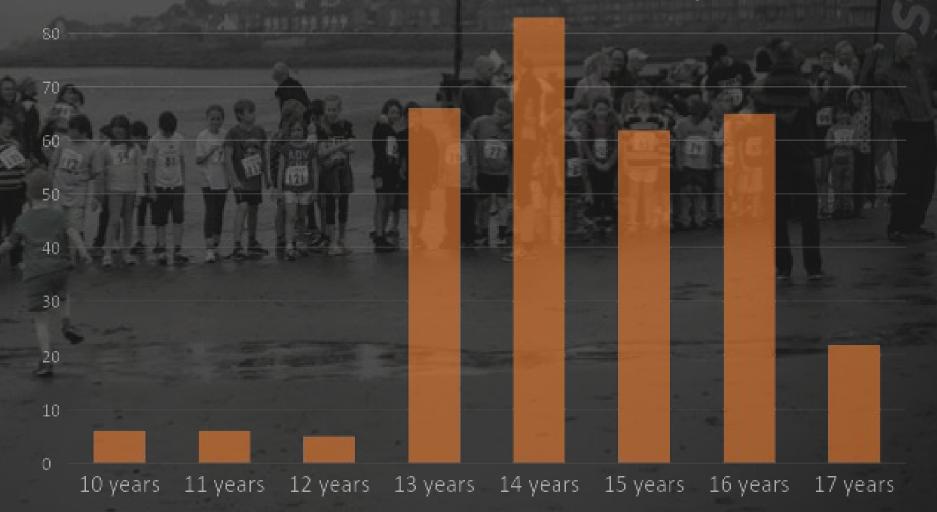
Although the bigger groups were more inclined to share consultations rather than fill them out individually.

Mostly met young people on the Prom and the High Street, although other areas, e.g. the Parks, Seafield etc were part of the routes walked

Responses by Age

Responses

⁹⁰ 323 responses online / 57 face-to-face interviews (May / June 2015)



Likes

- Using outdoor spaces the beach (147 mentions) and the parks (32) (all ages)
- Meeting or hanging out with friends (62 mentions)
- Football (43), walking (27) swimming (21), skating/skateboarding (24) and gym (22)
- 29 mentions of shops or shopping.
- Dance or dancing (11) Basketball (9) Rugby (5) Sailing (5) Cycling (5)
 Karate (5) Kayaking (3) Cricket (1) Tennis (1)



- Better shops (58)
- More activities for young people (29) more clubs (22)
- Improved sports facilities generally (35) and better football facilities (10)
- More places for young people to hang out (30): cafes (15); restaurants(6); youth club (6);
- More parks / better parks (22)
- Skating facilities / Skate park (35)

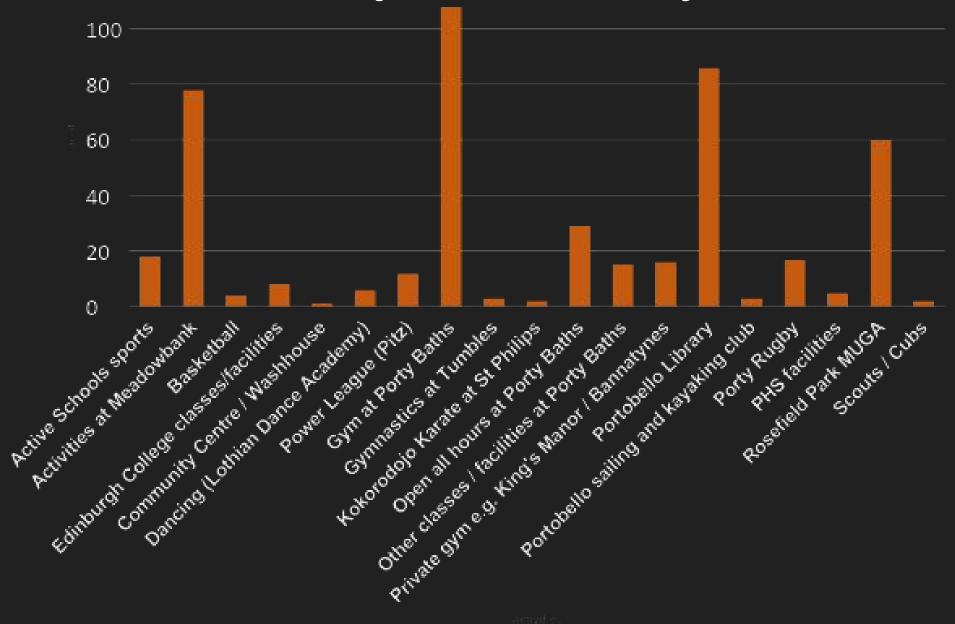
Improvements

- Area to be Clean / Cleaner (17)
- Less litter (14) More Bins (13) More Benches (5)
- Cost: Cheap/cheaper (5), free (11)

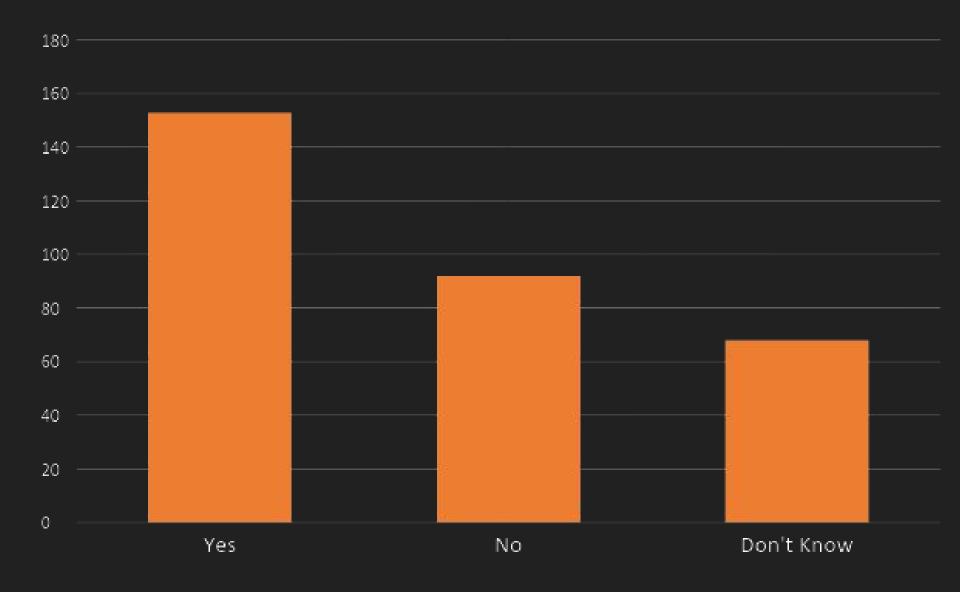
What's missing?

- No / don't know (100+)
- skate / skating (33); skatepark (10)
- cinema (10)
- crazy golf / mini golf (5)
- football team (10)

120 What do you currently do?



Skatepark: Is this something you'd like to see?



Themes / Talking points

- Physical Activity
- Outside spaces Parks / prom
- Places to hang out / indoor spaces / cafes
- Organised activities, youth clubs etc
- Barriers / attitudes of our community
- Communications

Next Steps

Portobello for Young People event Monday, 30 November 2015 Portobello High School

