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2016-04-02 20:18:31 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	Not sure this is in a good place. I feel sorry for the people whose houses in Straiton Place look onto it. Maybe along by the bus garage would be better. I do like the idea of small shows attracting people to Portobello though.
2016-04-02 20:20:57 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	It's fine to be there during the Easter holiday, but not permanently. No locals were asked before it was granted permission. It should be removed at the end of the Easter holiday and maybe return for part of the summer holiday.
2016-04-02 20:21:59 +01:0	I support the proposal.	As someone who stays on the noisiest bit of the Promenade, people complaining about noise makes me laugh. It's a public Promenade and there used to be all sorts of noisy things from trampolines to amusements. Over the years, folk seem to have forgotten that. Also, kids doing any kind of exercise is fine by me and a bouncy castle makes them more likely to do that. Parents can also grab a take away coffee at a local outlet and sit watching their kids.
2016-04-02 20:23:58 +01:0	I support the proposal.	Great fun my kids loved it. Although at 2.50 for 10 minutes it's a weekly treat. Presumably at this high price, they are paying the council some rental fee. How is this money being spent?
2016-04-02 20:28:08 +01:0	I support the proposal.	The hours of operation seem very reasonable in terms of the noise of children playing and the generator is very quiet, I honestly thought it wasn't operating when I first walked past.
2016-04-02 20:30:13 +01:0	I support the proposal.	Great to see...The children love it Generates no more noise than the nearby play parks
2016-04-02 20:33:18 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	I think the railings surrounding and securing the bouncy castle are ugly and would hope these would be upgraded if the bouncy castle remains for longer. I would also like to be reassured that appropriate rates are being paid for the land I'm such a way as to go very back to the community.
2016-04-02 20:33:54 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	I thought the beach volleyball courts were meant to go here? Also suggestions of a community garden here were scotched by the idea that this piece of green space was used by local kids, nurseries and was valued as it is . I think it's wrong that this should be allowed to be here all summer without the views of the community being taken into account or the views of local residents. Don't get me wrong, my kids were excited to see it go up, but at £2.50 for 10 minutes, they aren't going to be spending much time on it. Also who is going to reinstate the grass when the permission runs out on April 30th?
2016-04-02 20:36:21 +01:0	I support the proposal.	I think this could be a brilliant addition to the prom in the next few months With the run up to summer. I don't think the fee of £2.50 per child for 10 minutes is very Reasonable. You can go to soft play for a hour for few pounds more! Think he needs to look a proper pricing system.
2016-04-02 20:37:01 +01:0	I support the proposal.	I think it's great for the kids of porty, it will also bring people to Portobello. It's a vast improvement on the area our family call the dog poo park!! (we could be done with some local discount tho!!!)

2016-04-02 20:37:48 +01:0	I support the proposal.	<p>This helps bring the Promenade alive. It was a fair price to let the kids on at £2.50 I believe. Please don't abolish this idea, it tipifies a trip to the seaside, a memory generator. Living on the Prom is a priveledge, with that comes a possible cost. Popularity equals traffic and noise, a small price to pay as the value of your house increases.</p> <p>Please don't prohibit the ambition to bring our seaside alive with kids doing what kids should do. Is their laughter really that loud?</p>
2016-04-02 20:39:12 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	<p>It's a bit of an eyesore - lovely for short visits, but a bit like the fair: not needed all the time.</p> <p>If it is to be permanent, I'd suggest a different location: I have sympathy for the local residents who have to look out onto this. The disused land at the bottom of Pipe Lane might be a less intrusive location.</p>
2016-04-02 20:43:57 +01:0	I support the proposal.	<p>We live on Marlborough street so this is right on our door step. I think it's great. Brings a buzz to the area (instead dog poo which is what this patch of grass is usually for). What's not to like?</p>
2016-04-02 20:46:58 +01:0	I support the proposal.	<p>The whole site is an objectionable piece of seaside tat, however, in place of any cohesive strategy for building anything of beauty, or even of utilitarian usefulness, then why not have something that at least draws local, and visiting, children to a bit of fun?</p>
2016-04-02 20:50:33 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	
2016-04-02 20:55:53 +01:0	I support the proposal.	<p>I thinks good to encourage this type of small business on the promenade, with a hope to bring more tourists back to portobello.</p>
2016-04-02 20:58:34 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	
2016-04-02 21:02:40 +01:0	I support the proposal.	<p>This is absolutely fine. The noise (other than childrens' laughter) is minimal. The sea makes more noise than their generator.</p>
2016-04-02 21:07:15 +01:0	I support the proposal.	<p>I am a resident of Portobello with a young sonson. I feel Portobello is lacking in activities for youngster and this fun affordable inflatable is a welcome addition to the prom for the summer. We have used it already and the owners are helpful and friendly.</p>
2016-04-02 21:34:43 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	<p>The park and beach provide parents with free play spaces for their children. This is unnecessary and causes stress for those who can't really afford to pay.</p>
2016-04-02 21:37:36 +01:0	I support the proposal.	<p>great idea, well run and respectful of others.</p>
2016-04-02 21:54:04 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	<p>The bouncy castle could be a good edition in the summer period. The only thing that needs to be taken into consideration is any noise from the generator for adjoining neighbours and also the view from houses opposite which will now be dominated by this view.</p>
2016-04-02 22:12:35 +01:0	I support the proposal.	<p>Like seeing the beach area busy with lots to offer people. Also never really see that area of land bring used</p>
2016-04-02 23:09:17 +01:0	I support the proposal.	<p>My kids love the bouncy castle. It's a great change for the kids in the community apply from the same 3 parks all of the things me. Going from having and outdoor bit in the old arcades to just parks I think this is a brilliant change for them. He's very responsible with the price had the kids.</p>
2016-04-02 23:22:16 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	<p>It's an eyesore and does nothing to improve the image of Porty.</p>

2016-04-02 23:24:11 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	This area of the prom is normally quiet and the park is enjoyed by dog walkers, local residents and the neighbouring nursery. The bouncy castle is an eyesore for local residents and will damage the grass. Perhaps high season when the beach is already busy but not from ?March.
2016-04-02 23:38:07 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	I feel a holiday presence is good but as a constant fixture too much - in terms of visually, the noise and visually etc It is also expensive I am happy to pay for it as a special occasion but to have it there too often and my children want to go on all the time it's too much
2016-04-02 23:48:49 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	Expensive to use. Nosey for neighbours and disturbing for their pets. Distracting for the quiet local primary ate nursery already situated next door. Difficult to access for buggy or wheelchair user carer/ parent as no drop certs at the too access road.
2016-04-02 23:57:18 +01:0	I support the proposal.	Great addition to the beach. Works well in other beach towns like Aberdour
2016-04-03 00:23:03 +01:0	I support the proposal.	Great for the area & local Businesses & the bouncey castle chap & kids have a ball - no brainer
2016-04-03 00:39:15 +01:0	I support the proposal.	About time !!! Could do with more attractions in Portobello.
2016-04-03 07:03:40 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	I think it is a great idea. Lovely for the children.
2016-04-03 07:35:56 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	This is right in front of my house. I can hear the generator in the garden and it has replaced our sea view from the lounge. It is fun for a few weeks and we are enjoying it but definitely not all summer. I have 2 young children, who are asking to go on this every time we go along the prom or to the park, not ideal to have to contend with this when you are aiming for free outdoor fun.
2016-04-03 08:24:14 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	It is a bit of an eye sore on the prom and I feel sorry for the people living in the houses behind as it must oblitarate a lovely view of the sea. It would be OK for an odd week in the summer but not for weeks on end.
2016-04-03 08:39:43 +01:0	I support the proposal.	The space hadn't been in regular use and it is good to see the space being used for something healthy and active. My kids love it and it gives more options for people on and around the prom.
2016-04-03 08:46:09 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	Whilst i think this is a great addition to portobello, i was extremely disapointed upon witnessing the refusal of an autistic child's mother onto the bouncy castle who had explained that the number of children may be too much for him. The lady in question was very slim and small. They were promptly turned away resulting into a very distraught little boy. I think some allowances could be made here.

		<p>To my understanding this is an area for public use and maintained using public money...presumably from council tax payments we all make?</p> <p>If so, then my first objection is - why is a private and commercial operation able to use this land? Do they pay rent to the Council, and if so what budget is it added to?</p> <p>My second objection is that no-one in the area was informed prior to its appearance on 23 March. I use the promenade and beach from Marlborough Street on a daily basis and did not see any Notices appear (usually attached to lampposts etc). Why was this procedure omitted in this case?</p> <p>If the operation has asked to continue throughout the summer, have the residents on the bouncy castle end of Straiton Place been consulted regarding their long term loss of amenity/view and also (as mentioned) noise emanating from the generators all day long.....and in the summer months continuing until dusk?</p> <p>My final objection is that of the parking problems which already exist in the narrow streets of Portobello which would be made worse by the number of visitors to the area who intend to use this facility on summer days and evenings.</p> <p>I am totally supportive of our residents and visitors having a fun and safe place to spend time with their children, but feel this particular operation has just appeared with neither due process nor an appropriate time for consultation beforehand.</p> <p>With kindest regards</p>
2016-04-03 09:47:51 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	
2016-04-03 10:20:38 +01:0	I support the proposal.	Great for the kids. Will attract more people to Portobello. I don't think it's that noisy but then I don't live next to it.
2016-04-03 10:38:34 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	My kids love it. However it's quite expensive and opposite a free play park. My kids have already had tantrums because they've been told they can't go on it, I can deal with these but don't particularly want to. I'm now avoiding the pirate park unless I'm prepared to pay for a go on the bouncy castle as well, which is a shame as it's a great play area. However I think it's great to help attract people from outside the area to Porty when the sun shines.
2016-04-03 10:50:31 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	<p>The Bouncy Castle has been sited in one of the few grassy areas available to dog walkers. We need some space too!</p> <p>The prom has become much busier in the past few years, with speedy bike riders, children on scooters, and many more runners.</p> <p>This will just make the prom even more difficult.</p>
2016-04-03 11:18:40 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	<p>It is a complete eye sore, so much for conservation area. In saying that the children clearly having fun but the price will exclude many. Grass will be dead under it and will be a mess for summer. This will no doubt hasten the agenda of portobello community council to lead on the development of this site.</p> <p>The soft play is available along the prom so think too much similar resource. I do not support this and would prefer it to be moved.</p>

2016-04-03 11:49:27 +01:0	I support the proposal.	It's fun for the kids and God knows Porty could do with some fun!
2016-04-03 11:58:42 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	Mixed feelings. On one hand it does add something to the prom but I can't see tons of visitors pouring in to use it (which would benefit local businesses if they did). Just not sure it's the best use of the space.
2016-04-03 14:44:49 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	The bouncy castle is expensive and to me negates the ethos of an inclusive, free to all to access area of beach, prom and play park. To me it seems wrong for an individual to profit from this in a way that impacts visually on everyone whether they use the facility or not: it's excessive size means it is unlike an ice cream van or similar where you could choose to ignore it if it was not something you wanted to do. It has an undeniably large visual impact on the area but is not for the benefit of everyone: indeed, it is very much for the financial benefit of the individual that runs it. I have nothing personally against whoever runs it but it feels like a change of purpose from the public area open to everyone that was there before, and very definitely impacts on the natural beauty of the seascape prior to its erection.
2016-04-03 15:17:09 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	It is on the school run and so we go past it twice a day with two kids. Very hard to explain 'no' every time. Move it further up the beach and use the space for something more permanent that enhances Portobello - wooden play area, beach hut 'shops', sensory garden for example.
2016-04-03 17:06:34 +01:0	I support the proposal.	
2016-04-03 17:13:52 +01:0	I support the proposal.	
2016-04-03 18:14:46 +01:0	I support the proposal.	I think it's great fun and my two children have been on it a few times and love it. I think the price is reasonable too.

2016-04-03 20:13:47 +01:00	I object to the proposal.	<p>1. I live directly next to this unannounced giant purple pink bouncy castle. It is shocking that the people immediately affected by the noise and intrusion 8 hours a day every day were not consulted.</p> <p>2. What is of concern is that the council, Parks department Lisa Patton said the Community council were consulted, which she was quite adamant about , when the community deny any consultation, which is very odd as she was so adamant they were, so WHO gave the go ahead for this.</p> <p>3. Money, is changing hands here, she said it was free, which made it an event, they are charging £2.50 for 10 minutes. Another , miss representation from the council. How are we to believe any thing the council says. Someone is making from this from the council if they gave permission, who is this person or persons.</p> <p>4. Despite being told by Miss Patton that they had a licence until the end of April, the men who operate are already advertising and openly saying they will be there all summer.</p> <p>5. The NOISE from the generator, FEET away from my back door is like a delivery lorry outside my back door. Inhave to keep my windows and doors shut to keep the noise down. That is not the reason I moved to live by the sea.</p> <p>6. My health is being affected by the constant noise, before I would have had windows and a door open, now I have to either go away from my house to remove myself from the noise or sit sit inside with the windows and doors shut. And this could be all summer.</p> <p>7. The thought of this noise and intrusion is making me want to move. If I try and sell, this will knock properly 20 thousand of the value of my house. I though Portobello was trying to improve its image.</p> <p>8. Portobello has worked hard for years to try and create a more in keeping upmarket image until now. Is this the image Portobello wants to create and leave the impression of to visitor. If it is, I will be off.</p> <p>9. Alternatives, I thought Straiton Park was allocated an open space for all. Clearly not. Actually excludes older people and the elderly, I thought Portobello appreciates the open space. However as we were not consulted, some one thought it a good idea for all ages.</p> <p>10. Council reduction. If the giant bouncy castle stays property prices will go down and therefore the council tax.</p> <p>11. Mis-management, and serious miss communication by the council, and as this is just being recognised now I am seriously not hopeful about it getting any better.</p> <p>12. Neighbours. None consulted, despite for example it being bigger than my 3 bedroom house.</p> <p>Every neighbour I have spoke to had no prior knowledge about this nor consulted. Shocking lack of regard for Porty People who are the ones affected.</p> <p>13. Is the Community Council going to investigate the Parks right to overrule what happens to Portobello and its people.</p> <p>14. Disrespect for Portobello people, and those immediately affected.</p> <p>15. Such an intrusive object will attract vandals, drunks, and rubbish.</p> <p>16. WHAT NEXT, seeing this was given permission without Portobello 's people knowledge, and those immediately affected not consulted what next. Is this what Portobello has become. No say for the actual people living there.</p>
2016-04-03 21:29:03 +01:00	I support the proposal.	<p>The bouncy stuff on Straiton Place was a great addition to the seaside feel of Porty and a good use of the space which is avoided by parents due to the freedom dogs have to roam on it.</p> <p>A boon for young families, and a good draw for visitors. Should definitely be repeated.</p>

2016-04-03 22:30:11 +01:0	I support the proposal.	It adds to the seaside appeal of Porty. Wasnt too nousy when I have passed as long as there is no amplified music see no problem in its continuing. Not a Porty resident but I am one of the many dog owners who visit ot almost daily. Over Easter the Bouncy Castle the kuds playing and the accordianist busking brought back happy memories of simpler times. Whats more the kids and the mums seemed to enjoy it.
2016-04-03 22:38:12 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	I strongly object due to the noise, the damage being done to the grass, the unsightly nature of the bouncy castle and the wire fencing around it. It also blocks the view towards the sea.
2016-04-03 22:48:35 +01:0	I support the proposal.	It is a simple pleasure for children. The man who operates it is polite and considerate and tends to give the children a little longer. It would be a sad state of affairs if such an attraction were to be disallowed.
2016-04-03 23:37:20 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	It looks awful - the structure itself & the heras fencing
2016-04-04 00:36:44 +01:0	I support the proposal.	Excellent for children in the area,especially children over 5 as the playpark needs serious upgrading. It's great for them to play and burn off energy having fun outdoors. I think price very reasonable and my child has been on several times for at least 30 mins a time! Portobello back to what it was, we need more things like this especially for children, local and visitors. The guy who runs it very friendly and can only say great service when I have visited.
2016-04-04 06:51:11 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	It is an eyesore. There is a lack of signage re. Cost and health and safety (eg. Ages allowed). I now take my daughter who is 2 years old to a different swing park, as she constantly wants to go on it. We used to live in the area and moved away, but we came back nearly every weekend for the beach etc, we don't come back as often now because of this.
2016-04-04 07:22:08 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	I think it could be alot of fun for tn wee ones, but I think many parents habe concerns about it being next to a nursery and next to a play park as they will feel obliged to spend moneynfortheir children to have a turn. I also can imagine it will be difficult at times to walk past this. It is quite pricy for length of time given on it. I don't think noise level is a concern, but the above reasons for parents maybe a concern.
2016-04-04 11:56:12 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	Adds to parking problems locally.
2016-04-04 18:07:32 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	Looks lke fun but will abide with the majority option
2016-04-04 20:56:29 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	I object for three reasons. Firstly, there are serious safety concerns about a bouncy castle operating outside on what can be a windy sea front location - the current set up has temporary fencing which is also at risk of moving in bad weather. Secondly, there are already two play parks within close distance to one another on the prom, and the needs of different age groups should be taken into account - the prom is used by all sorts of people, not just kids, and the green space is already very limited in what is a built up area. Thirdly, the prom is already very busy on a sunny day and the bouncy castle will create a bottle neck area where there is already a high density of people. As the parent of a small child, I welcome places where we can have fun without someone attempting to sell us something, and where there aren't dense crowds in which kids can get lost - I think the bouncy castle changes the nature of the area signifcantly.

2016-04-04 21:06:41 +01:0	I support the proposal.	<p>Took my two children yesterday. They really enjoyed it. I though £2.50 was an ok price for ten minutes but infact it was quiet and they were on for over 15 minutes. The guy running it was really friendly and reasonable and generous giving the children extra time. When I compare him to the grumpy dour people running the shows up town on top of Waverly Market at Christmas this guy running the Bouncy Castle is a breath of fresh air. If the castle is there during the summer I am sure we will go back. I don't think it was noisy at all though not sure how people in the nearby houses feel about noise. That patch of land is hardly used, its a dog toilet most of the time, I would never use that grass for a picnic its so contaminated so to use if for the Bouncy Castle is good use. I wish I could get a shot of it myself!</p>
2016-04-04 22:14:20 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	<p>I am against the renewal of this lease.</p> <p>It was fine for a few weeks and I get that this is quite fun and is a reminder of Portobello's 19th century resort feel. 3-4 weeks at Easter is reasonable.</p> <p>But it really isn't acceptable for the bouncy castle to be there for the entire duration of the summer – with the constant, inescapable generator noise; the shrieks from kids (again, fine for a while but not all day every day); and the additional traffic. I often work from home and the constant is making this much, much more difficult.</p> <p>Living on Straiton Place, our sea view as been replaced with primary coloured plastic and, in the evenings, temporary fencing that makes it look like a construction site. These are admittedly the concerns of a very proximate resident. But there is also a wider loss of amenity of that space, throughout the summer which doesn't seem a great precedent for the commercialisation of public space.</p> <p>I can see that there may be support for the retro feel of this. It's easy to see it as a colourful addition to the area if you don't have to live with the disruption it inevitably entails.</p>

2016-04-04 23:06:59 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	<p>I live opposite Straiton Place park, and having the bouncy castle in the park is significantly changing the way my family can use and enjoy our house and front garden. I can see that the bouncy castle is a fun addition to the Prom for a short time, but the imposition on immediate neighbours is far too great for it to be granted permission to stay for longer than a month or so.</p> <p>We, like everyone, have been looking forward to more summery months through the winter. A big part of enjoying summer living where we do is the chance to use our front rooms and front garden more. This isn't possible in the same way with the bouncy castle opposite.</p> <p>I was trying to work last Saturday in one of our front rooms with the window slightly open, but the noise of the bouncy castle generator was really wearing. It runs constantly all the hours the castle is up.</p> <p>The castle also dramatically changes what is usually a peaceful long view to the water and to Fife to bright fluro pink and orange inflatable lollypops much closer in. Again, this is a minor imposition for a few days or weeks, but it would be really sad to lose the view over a longer term. When the castle is not inflated, the mental fencing is still there.</p> <p>It's great for our public spaces to be used and enjoyed, but the bouncy castle is a very expensive beach attraction. For two children it costs £5 for only 10 minutes entertainment, meaning it quickly becomes a problem rather than a service for parents who have to pass it regularly. Public space should be there for everyone's use, not for a couple of people to take it over and make a quick profit.</p> <p>I hope the operators of the bouncy castle do well over the Easter school holidays and folk have a good time bouncing. And then in fairness to the near neighbours, it's surely time to move on and return the park to its customary peacefulness.</p>
2016-04-05 08:02:19 +01:0	I support the proposal.	<p>From what I could see it was a very good quality bouncy castle and the man in charge was friendly and professional. It made good use of a location that seems generally underused. The only sound I heard when nearby was the sound of children playing, which would be indistinguishable from the sound of children playing at the park 20 metres away.</p>
2016-04-05 08:22:41 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	<p>Whilst I'm not sure it adds anything aesthetically to the area, the greater the variety of things for people to do at the Prom during the summer months the better - especially from a local economic point of view. It's not a permanent construction and may encourage more visits to the Prom.</p> <p>I would move from neutral to supportive if the council could guarantee that any fees paid by the operator would be ring-fenced and used to supplement (not replace) park/beach maintenance in Portobello. Sadly, I doubt council officials will be able to operate with that much transparency, let alone give the guarantee.</p>
2016-04-05 08:29:04 +01:0	I support the proposal.	<p>I think this provides another useful service and attracts visitors to the prom. Slightly worried about lack of nearby public toilet facilities particularly given it's for young children. Surprised that there are concerns raised about noise given it is right next to a busy playback which is also regularly used for football...?</p>
2016-04-05 08:31:25 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	<p>A massive pink bouncy castle in a Conservation Area? What are they thinking?? It's a N .. O .. NO from me!!</p>

2016-04-05 08:42:19 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	Out of character for this part of the prom. Overbearing and too commercial on public space. Better sited down by arcade and toilets.
2016-04-05 08:52:41 +01:0	I support the proposal.	Portobello is enormously popular with visiting families and with local families out for a stroll. There are indoor family-friendly attractions and the natural environment is splendid. Anything which adds value to a day out is tremendously welcome, including a bouncy castle. Organised children's activities such as Sand Modelling competitions, beachcombing, evening street theatre, etc during the summer months would also be wonderful. I am a regular visitor to coastal towns of French Brittany. They have all of these things and are both vibrant and relaxed at the same time. Kids love bouncy castles, let's support anything reasonable which extends people's stay and helps inject money into the local community.
2016-04-05 08:55:14 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	The pumps keeping the thing inflated are very noisy -and this must particularly effect properties immediately to the East. I have not looked closely at the operation but it seems to me it makes considerable use of "pester power" Every passing child is likely to want a go on it. And it is expensive. I do not think it adds anything of value to the Prom. It is huge and crude and garish. I can see that Edinburgh Council get something out of it. I can't really see that local businesses will. Maybe Portobello residents should claim some benefit also -from a substantial rates rebate.
2016-04-05 09:07:45 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	They are charging far too much - £2.50 for a child to bounce for 10 minutes is ridiculous. I live along Straiton Place and from what I have seen there have been very few children on it - probably because it is so expensive. I have grandchildren but chose to take them to Vogrie, Yellow Craigs and Berwick Law instead as they had more enjoyment for longer and for much less money. It is also taking up space that is used for enjoying the sunshine, kicking around a ball, etc. The green space would be better used as an area where more people can relax or play and enjoy the beauty of the beach, e.g. more seating, flowerbeds, communal garden, trees, free play apparatus for children, etc.
2016-04-05 09:12:57 +01:0	I support the proposal.	I think anything that will bring in more people to the prom is a good thing.
2016-04-05 09:28:14 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	Too much noise, and also possible increased accidents and danger to children (following recent accident in England)
2016-04-05 09:55:10 +01:0	I support the proposal.	I generally support the proposal as my daughter has really enjoyed a couple of turns on the bouncy castle - its nice to have something a bit different that's outside and that doesn't dominate the whole afternoon. I do think the price of £2.50 for a minimum of 10 minutes is relatively high when compared to an hour in Tumbles for example - but that is personal choice. I also appreciate that there will be days when the people running it make next to no money due to rain or other weather hazards - high winds etc. so they have to make their money on good days. I wonder whether it would be more appropriate to give them a 'season' ie. between April - end of August in which to operate which would allow the ground to recover and also gives everyone a break from looking at it.
2016-04-05 10:38:56 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	With 5 grandsons in the area, I was delighted to see this at the start of the Easter holidays. Especially as it was placed in a space used mostly by fouling dogs. I believe it enhanced the holiday feel of the promenade and would encourage a sustained presence of visitors to the area. If the use of the equipment was restricted to daytime at weekends and school holidays then noise levels would not make much more of an impact than the norm for a busy beach promenade.
2016-04-05 11:02:35 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	We need to be clear about time. Lines and the licence should only be granted for day time .

2016-04-05 11:11:53 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	It was quite nice to have the grassy area near the prom where you could sit for a picnic while the kids played nearby. Bouncy castle not really necessary.
2016-04-05 11:34:07 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	Friend living adjacent to bouncy castle is driven out of house by constant machine noise. No prior consultation. Can the noise be reduced? Visual eyesore for those looking out on it. Parental pressure to spend more money when kids could be running around and playing on the beach. Not sure of benefit to local economy. Who profits?
2016-04-05 11:34:19 +01:0	I support the proposal.	As long as all aspects of safety are throughly enforced. And no child is in any danger, why not. Surely children's laughter is a sound we all love. Other noise will blend into the backround. It will add a bit of colour.
2016-04-05 11:59:16 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	I have no problem with having the bouncy castle for a limited period, but would not support it being on a rolling basis as it is quite intrusive.
2016-04-05 12:18:35 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	Happy to see a bouncy castle for kids but why not on the Beach. The grass will be killed and it will look awful when the castle is moved. Also reduces the possibility of the green space being used for other one day events etc or simply for people to sit on on a nice day. Have castle but move it.
2016-04-05 12:29:05 +01:0	I support the proposal.	I live opposite the bouncy castle (38 Marlborough St). There are 4 members of our household and we love it. The noise is of children playing happily - a pleasure. We strongly support the proposal.
2016-04-05 13:42:06 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	It's garish and not in keeping with the area. This is a freely accessible public space next to a kids play area and nursery, and I object to someone making money out of the kids that play there (and their parents). I'd be concerned about noise, loss of views, damage to grass, child safety (especially after recent tragedies), and lack of fairness due to cost of access, and lack of accessibility for disabled children.
2016-04-05 14:09:47 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	A permanent eyesore for the Portobello waterfront? No thanks. You let this through, next thing you know the place will be overrun with travellers and caravans. Does anybody want that? No, I didn't think so.
2016-04-05 14:15:54 +01:0	I support the proposal.	
2016-04-05 14:19:26 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	Being elderly it was a good distraction for my young great-grandchildren when they visited me. However I could see that after years of comparative "peace & quiet" neighbours might be finding it noisier. My concern is that while waiting on the children we heard people unhappy about the length of time children were getting - some getting less some getting more - so it would seem a better way of timing would need to be found for all to run smoothly. Once the novelty wears off I think they might not find it so lucrative. I do feel £2.50 is a bit high for anyone with a large family.

2016-04-05 14:31:28 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	The space is one of the few green spots along the front and the idea that it could be taken up for the whole of the summer will make me dread heading to that part of the prom. It is ok having it as a novelty attraction for a few weeks in Easter/summer holidays but I would not want it to be a semi permanent thing. It is after all a residential area. As a frequent user of the park next door it adds a novelty factor but the size of it is too large taking up the whole of the grassy area leaving no space for sand free picnics. I am all for the space to be used for one off events throughout the summer but not or one business to have sole use of the space. They also do not have clear pricing or age information which make me reluctant to support them.
2016-04-05 15:33:03 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	I don't object in holidays or for short terms but I wouldn't like as a permanent feature in the prom. That area is also use for other purposes and as a parent living in the area the permanent bouncy castle will become a nuisance. Also I don't think it adds a lot to such a beautiful promenade.
2016-04-05 16:25:24 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	1 it is hideous 2 it blocks the view of the sea for people living in Straiton Place.
2016-04-05 16:25:29 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	When deflated the bouncy castle is surrounded by ugly fencing, of the kind you would find on a building site. The operator drives his van onto the path in the middle of the park, and even onto the grass, both of which either I and/or my partner have witnessed. There are too few places where cars can't go, and Straiton Park should be one of them. The grass will be damaged by the siting of even a semi-permanent structure there. My children are no longer small, but if they were, I would be driven to distraction by this - it is expensive and the 'fun' lasts for a very short time - the beach and the wee park are the perfect, free, playgrounds, the bouncy castle is not necessary for children to have fun. I hope that the operator has paid a good amount of money for the period already agreed, but I do not believe that giving her/him a rolling licence even at a commercial price would be of enough value to compensate for what we would lose - a free, safe, flat space where children and families can picnic and play safely. On a sunny day the Prom is extremely busy, the presence of the bouncy castle will not draw enough new people to Portobello to make it worth while.
2016-04-05 17:37:19 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	Total eyesore on the prom. Most local kids don't/can't use as parents unwilling to pay. Seems more short term opportunistic than part of an integrated strategy for the seafront. If the two seafront playparks could be upgraded, and more seating/catering facilities introduced then this would be more beneficial to the local community than a tacky amusement.
2016-04-05 18:30:10 +01:0	I support the proposal.	It is fantastic to see something child focussed on the beach. Its been well used exactly the type of thing a seaside town should have. It would be nice to see some of the profits coming back to portobello rather than just a private guys profits. Would be good to see a new bit of play equipment in the park bought with the proceeds
2016-04-05 19:25:39 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	I think it's ugly and its commercialising open space.
2016-04-05 20:03:43 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	The area should be for public use, not taken up by an attraction like this.

2016-04-05 20:04:52 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	<p>I understand the benefit to local and visiting children however it doesn't look great when in operation and looks even worse when it's not in use, resembling a building site with the Heras fencing surrounding the area.</p> <p>This area of grass is well used in late Spring and Summer months as the grass adjacent to the play park is often used as a football pitch so not suitable for sitting. The longer the bouncy castle is in place the worse the ground will get underneath with the grass eventually dying, leaving a muddy patch.</p> <p>I'm presuming over the next few months that it won't be in operation during the week and if the weather is too wet and windy, so will continue to sit in its fenced off area looking ugly. I don't live near to the site however I would imagine that the residents who overlook it won't be impressed with their new view either.</p>
2016-04-05 20:15:32 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	<p>The Bouncy Castle is ugly, noisy, crass, garish and totally out of place in quiet and select Victorian residential area. I would have no objections if it were placed in a fun park or suchlike, but the Promenade is no longer a "Kiss Me Quick" leisure destination. This proposal is totally out of character with the tenor of the neighbourhood and brings the whole tone of the area down. I am surprised that the Council is considering it and they obviously do not appreciate the level of animus that this will raise with the highly articulate and organised community. Obviously the Council also does not appreciate the lengths that the community will go to in fighting this ill advised, ill conceived and inappropriate proposal. I strongly object to it. I would be grateful for a response to this submission.</p>
2016-04-05 21:08:03 +01:0	I support the proposal.	
2016-04-06 12:45:47 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	<p>On the one hand it is an item that might help to attract people to the beach and to stay longer.</p> <p>On the other hand, it increases opportunities for kids to pester parents to spend money on what can otherwise be a free day out. However, that argument is weak - I mean, kids can pester for icecream too and are we really saying no commercial opportunities should be on the beach!?</p> <p>Having used it (for kid) I can say the company running it are doing a great job with their customer service - friendly, fair, fun. All good.</p>
2016-04-06 16:41:00 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	<p>This space is a public space normally accessible to all. The Bouncy Castle monopolises all off the space and prevents any other users access. The space is for the community and should not be allowed to be monopolised like this. Whilst sympathetic to free enterprise it should not be at the expense of others. Yes to it during summer but no it becoming a semi permanent feature.</p>
2016-04-06 21:48:54 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	<p>Fine as a short term novelty for a few weeks but not in the long-term. Feel sorry for the people who live behind that patch of land and will be losing their sea view. Seems a shame that that piece land couldn't be used for a variety of purposes, e.g. small craft markets / food stalls, kids' activities etc, on a rolling basis. I haven't seen the bouncy castle yet, so not aware of the noise levels, but in general it seems at odds with the general atmosphere on the prom.</p>
2016-04-07 18:41:53 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	<p>Ok for a one of eg busk on the beach, we had a fun park but they put houses on it. Is this the council</p> <p>Making money at any cost. Why not put it on the beach.</p>

2016-04-07 22:23:42 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	It's right next to a FREE park and a FREE beach. Its totally unnecessary and pretty over priced and feels really REALLY unfair on children and families who live close by (and the sea beach nursery right next door). I feel unsure about its safety in general (it just has a bit of an hoc look) and I have heard anecdotally that children with disabilities have been made unwelcome. I am totally behind independent business and entrepreneurship and I'd be sad to see an individual lose an income but it just feels really sudden and full on and quite badly thought out (surely CofEC should be making sure that stuff they agree to is accessible? ?) Maybe it could just be up at the weekends or something?
2016-04-07 22:34:25 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	It is not for everyone, only for the wealthy. £2.50 per child for 10 mins is too expensive for most parents and grandparents to pay. Today the park was very busy, but the bouncy castle was very quiet, so I can't be the only one with disappointed children.
2016-04-08 14:07:54 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	Beach offers plenty of entertainment, bouncy castles take us back to some of the atmosphere that has cheapened Porty in the past.
2016-04-08 18:53:42 +01:0	I object to the proposal.	Prevents other use of the space, even if the inflatable is not up, as it is fenced off. Fence unsightly. Creates more congestion at what is already the busiest part of the prom. I do not object to the inflatable in principle but do not think this is the appropriate place for it. It does not seem fair for a public space to be fenced and used only by a very small sector of the local community, and only at certain times when presumably it is profitable for the operator at that.
2016-04-09 14:13:08 +01:0	I am neutral on this proposal	I would be in favour providing it was not too expensive and providing that the lease/licence gave a reasonable return to the Council and providing that thr current operator did not have exclusive use of the area do that other entertainment providers could also offer their services

2016-04-09 16:22:36 +01:00	I object to the proposal.	<p>There was no notice given or opinions asked to those immediately affected Shows inconsideration of the council, would have though this essential before not after Such poor consideration highlight poor management, does not bode well for the future The people who run the GIANT CASTLE say it will be there every day outside my door ALL SUMMER There vehicles are parked 10 feet from my house, The generator is like a delivery lorry on my door step 7 DAYS A WEEK The GIANT CASTLE is bigger than my 3 bedroom house Can it be moved to a less intrusive site The damage to the grass after they leave will take months to recover, this means local people will not be able to use even when they do leave Who will pay for the damaged park area This is supposed to be open space for EVERYONE. NOT Why were our opinions not sought sooner Is this the image Portobello people want Portobello people worked hard on removing arcades and now this instead Not sure that is what tourists expect Will affect property prices I will have to move if this stays The noise of the generator, whistles is horrendous, my daughter complained about the noise even with the windows shut My summer will be either far away from portobello to get away from the noise, or to stay in doors with the windows and doors closed. That will be my summer. THANK YOU There has been increased presence of drunk youths running about it, worry of vandalism and further disturbance. Have already had people urinating besides our cars Hopefully if the value of my property goes down I can claim a reduction of council tax. Would have been good to have been consulted sooner. My partner submitted an opinion and has not received a copy back and that was over a week ago Where did her complaint go then as said was submitted successfully.</p>
2016-04-10 09:24:47 +01:00	I object to the proposal.	<p>At the Community council I recently attended I asked the question if they knew any knowledge about the Giant Bouncy castle. All members of the Community Council denied knowing about it.</p> <p>Yet, after speaking to Lisa Patton from the Parks Department she stated that on the 18th of November the Community Council was emailed and asked for there opinions and what impact that would create in that immediate area and on the people who live there. Now it does not seem unreasonable for that to have been requested by the council. She has doubled checked this email went out, and is quite clear on the point that this email was sent.</p> <p>So, why did the community council not consider the impact on the local people when they are supposed to work for the benefit of the local people.</p> <p>The local people were quite clearly NOT considered NOT consulted, and as a consequence of this total lack of consideration the local people the council are supposed to represent are seriously affected by this Giant Bouncy Castle is on their doorstep causing daily noise and disruption when other sites are available.</p> <p>No copy of my previous reply or from my partners email has been sent. Because of that I have taken a copy.</p>