



Friends of Mumbles Parks Playground Consultation

Introduction

This consultation ran from June to August 2018. It consisted of two parts – Face to face questionnaires at Oystermouth Primary School Summer Fayre and a Survey Monkey online survey. This was publicised through our Facebook page and a local community online group.

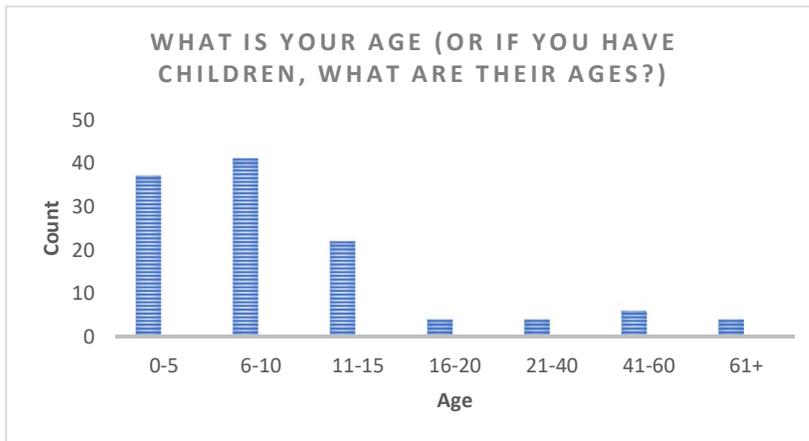
Total Surveymonkey responses: 53

Total questionnaire responses: 25

Total number of people represented by consultation responses: 118 (for example, one response may have represented several children within a household)

Response analysis

1. Age of respondents.



2. Postcode of respondents.

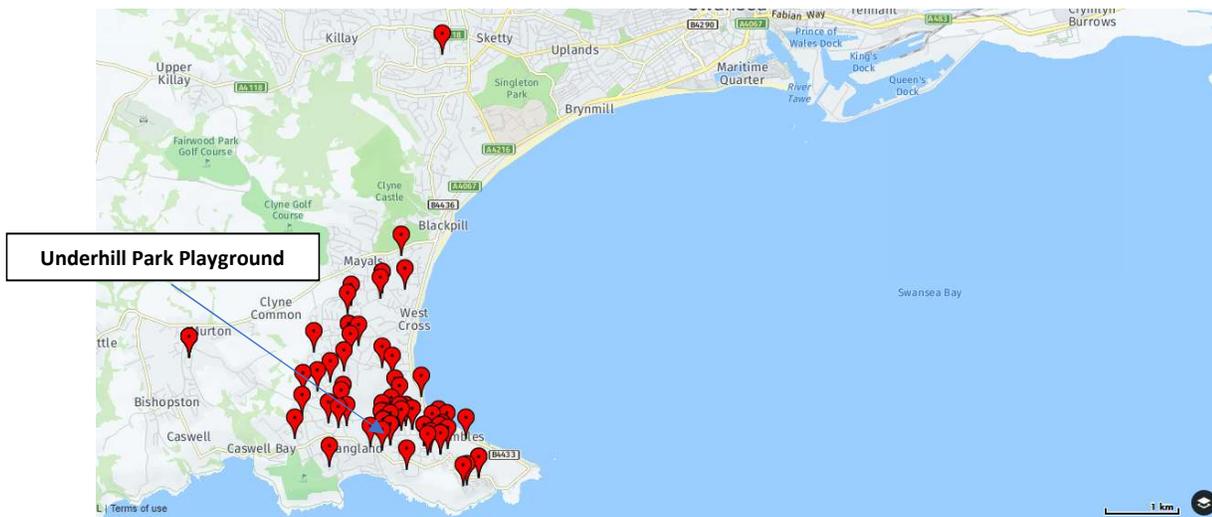
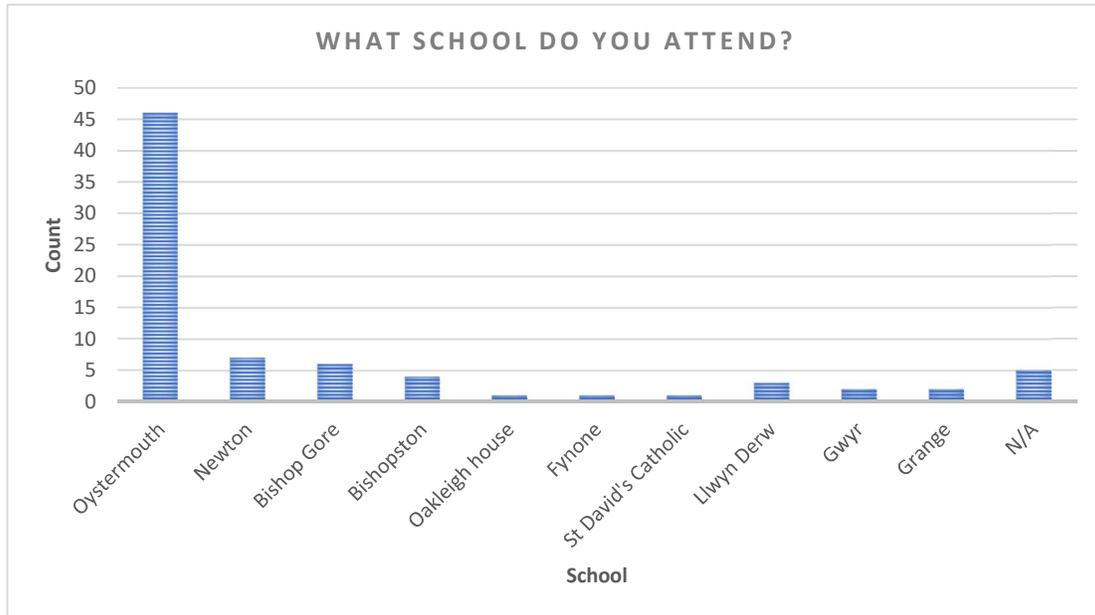
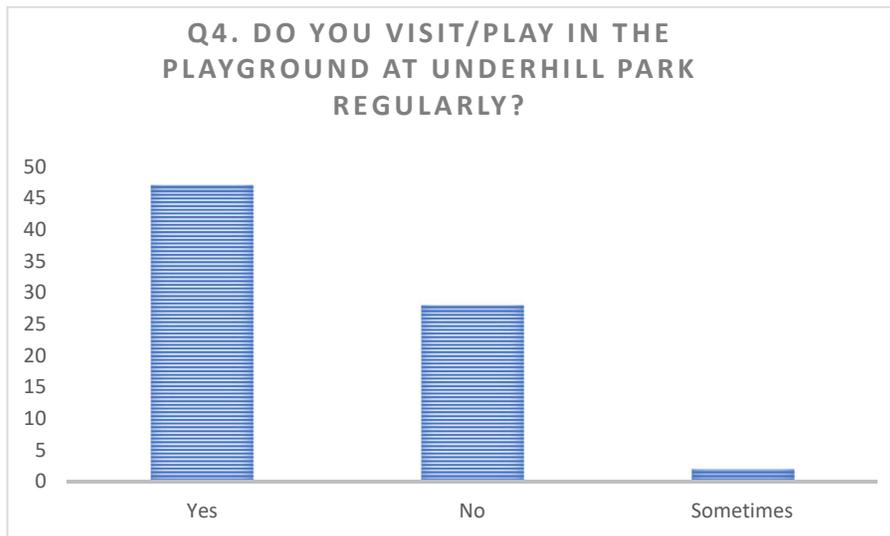


Figure 1: <https://www.doogal.co.uk/BatchGeocoding.php>

3. Schools attended by respondents.



4. Frequency of visits/play at Underhill Playground



5. If no, why?

- We used to go there a lot, if it was more like Cwmdonkin we would go there more often
- Going less and less as not much in play area
- No facilities for children to play on anymore
- No play equipment
- The facilities are unsafe and there's nothing there
- There's nothing there
- There used to be a lot of things but they've taken them away. It's annoying.

The playground is dated and often unsafe for children to play on.
 There's a limited choice of equipment compared to other parks, nothing for under 3s
 Not many games
 Damp
 Not enough variety for children who can't confidently climb ropes
 Not enough to warrant the walk from the car park
 Playground equipment is old and in need of renovation, little choice for children
 Used to go with Mumbles Rangers but not anymore
 It's on the other side of the village and we tend to stay near the park at Mumbles Gardens on the front
 Would like to play in play area but there are usually teenage kids drunk in there
 nothing to do
 It's tired and in the evening there are too many kids hanging around the pavillion
 Park on seafront is better equipped
 Nothing for our age group (age 11-15)
 Most stuff removed or has been damaged or broken for ages
 No public toilets
 Not enough to play with
 Poor ground surface - the bark causes splinters in feet and anywhere else if they fall
 Not much there
 No stuff for tweens
 It's old and sad

6. What play equipment would you like to see in the playground at Underhill Park?

Equipment	Count
Slides	28
Swings	25
climbing frame	25
zip line	18
smooth surface for skateboards/roller skates/scooters	15
Trampoline	15
Monkey bars	11
Roundabout	10
Climbing wall	9
See saw	7
Benches (but not death benches!)	5
Sand pit	4
Sound play	4
Inclusive for disabilities	4
Natural Play resources	3
basketball hoop	3
Creative play equipment	3
Climbing net wall	3
New surface	3
Something for older kids	3
Toilets	2

Larger play area	2
Tunnel	2
Swings for all ages	2
Exercise equipment	2
Somewhere to sit out of the rain	2
Balance beams	2
Tree house	2
Pirate ship	2
Wig Wam	2
Suitable for 3-11 age group but different to Southend	1
Big stone boulders	1
Trim trail equipment	1
rope slides	1
little shop for coffee	1
Rope/wood bridges	1
Springy ride on horses	1
Parkour equipment	1
Things like Go Ape	1
Double swings where you face each other	1
Obstacle course ropes	1
Small flying fox	1
Floor level roundabout	1
A big swing for friends	1
Young playground and older playground	1
A small train	1
Colourful and fun pieces for imagination	1
Access for prams and wheelchairs	1
Running lanes	1
Swing ropes	1
Sensory play	1
Willow maze	1
Balance bridge	1
Assault course	1
Water play	1
Climbing logs	1
Water slide	1
Equipment suitable for younger ones	1
Maze	1
Bike racks	1
Wheelchair swing	1
Tree stumps	1
Wifi	1

7. General Comments relating to the playground.

- It's sad that it has fallen into such disrepair. We would use it a lot more as it is closer to our home and more sheltered
- Underhill is a lost park. It's embarrassing.
- Almost nothing in the park at present. Needs things for all ages
- It was very fun when it had stuff in it.
- It's time something was done. It's not in good condition. It's been the same since we moved 40 years ago.
- Buggy friendly access to Langland corner. More dog bins.
- Desperately needs to be addressed
- Nasty youths hanging around
- The actual size of the play area could be extended
- It gets hogged by teenagers
- This park has so much potential and could be a lovely safe space for children of all ages.
- It is our local park and we would use it more if it had better facilities, café and play area suitable for ALL
- The bigger the better!
- A proper fence by the path may discourage the dog poo droppers from allowing their dogs to foul the path
- Only thing is how to prevent teenagers hanging out on it.
- doesn't feel very family friendly
- If the playground was better equipped we would use it weekly. Also a green (dog free) space would be good so little ones could run around without worry of dog mess.
- Under hill park is an integral part of the community which is enjoyed by so many.
- Playground area is a bit scruffy
- Please make it into a playground worth visiting.
- There needs to be a separate area for the older children of teen age to sit and chat - perhaps some exercise equipment for them.
- It's a resource for the children of mumbles to play in from ages toddler to an adulthood.
- Need to do something about the vandalism to the equipment and rudeness of some teenagers using the playground.
- Enlarge the play area, maybe a cafe/ kiosk for parents
- Exclude dogs. Have bins that are emptied. Make it interesting for children.
- This is well used and really could do with a face lift and change of flooring.
- Keep dogs out and keep clean as used for teenage parties after dark.
- Could extend the area, is a bit cramped.
- I think outdoor areas of recreation and play are essential for both children and adults' health and wellbeing.
- At present there is nothing there that is suitable or exciting enough that my grandchildren want to go there
- New surface would be great and more seating for adults.
- Please can you develop it properly!
- Nearer the shops?!! Permanent rounders pitch. A grass maze in summer? A family bbq area as some people don't have gardens
- Please give it some TLC
- Too small, probably in wrong place, It's hidden from sight a little, if new equipment was installed then could be damaged by vandals. The park is a meeting area for teens. Perhaps site it by the entrance gate off Langland Road. If a new area is built then the old area can still be used whilst it's being built.
- Don't just leave it as it is, as it will not attract new visitors.
- So much potential but there is currently no shape to it...it's not just about the play facility it's making it an area that is comfortable to enjoy for both parents and children
- It is just shabby and not cared for. It has been allowed to become in a state of disrepair
- It is not appealing at all