

Fife Council Community Services

Sports Centres & Swimming Pools – Community & Stakeholder Consultation

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A. Introduction

This report presents the findings of a community and stakeholder consultation carried out on behalf of Fife Council's Community Services by TL Dempster Strategy & Research between June and August 2006.

The research involved a number of consultation methods including:

- Face-face interviews with users and non-users of facilities
- Focus groups with users of facilities
- A web-survey available through Fife Direct and open to all members of the public
- Telephone consultations with sports clubs
- Telephone consultations with community councils
- Face-to-face meetings with elected councillors
- Face-to face & telephone consultations with national sporting bodies
- Face-to-face consultations with other stakeholders

The purpose of this study is to determine the views of the wider local community and other relevant key stakeholders on the options for development (outlined in the research brief) for FIPRE, Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool and Carnegie Leisure Centre.

It is also envisaged that the consultation will inform the development of wider community sport & leisure plans for Glenrothes, Kirkcaldy and Dunfermline. In parallel, the Council will be giving further consideration to possible alternative management and delivery models for the sports centres and swimming pools in Fife.

B. Background

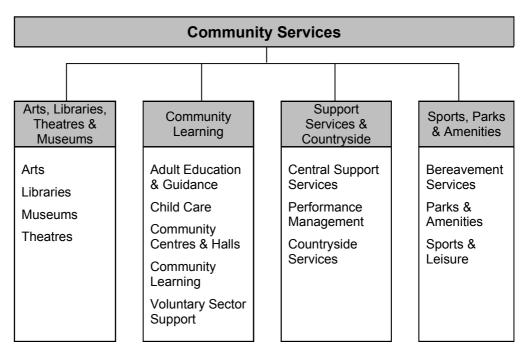
A. Community Services

Community Services operates from over 500 venues and has around 4,500 staff across Fife.

Fife Council's Community Services was formed in 1996 as the result of a change in local Government which brought together three district councils and one regional council all with their own approach to service delivery. Community Services currently employs around 4,500 dedicated staff and operates from more than 500 venues throughout Fife. The services offered underpin much of local community life and help contribute to the overall quality of life for Fife's citizens.

Community Services is made up of 15 diverse operational sections.

Community Services is an integrated Service comprising fifteen complementary operational sections that provide a broad range of cultural, learning, recreational, sporting and social opportunities in communities throughout Fife. The structure of the Service is illustrated in the diagram below.



Community Services is committed to the implementation of "Delivering Fife's Future".

Community Services uses a range of delivery mechanisms with the aim of providing a broad spectrum of social, cultural, recreational, sporting and educational opportunities for both residents and visitors to Fife. Community Services is committed to the implementation of "Delivering Fife's Future", a community plan for Fife. The plan consists of six themes around the three overall goals:

- Delivering an Inclusive Fife
 Delivering a Sustainable Fife
 Delivering Best Value for Fife
- It achieves its goals by working closely with both its partners and service users to deliver responsive and flexible services with the

Community Services delivers services focused on the needs of its customers & citizens.

aspiration to be viewed as a "learning organisation".

Overall, the Council has a clear philosophy placing residents and service users at the heart of decision making. To this end, Community Services places huge importance on listening and responding to the views of its users. Consultation provides a view of the issues of greatest importance, how satisfied people are with the services and, more importantly, how these can be improved.

Fife Council's Community Services is committed to ensure that communities are engaged in the management and improvement of leisure facilities.

A key commitment for Community Services within the Community Plan is to 'ensure that the communities of Fife are more actively involved in the management and improvement of leisure facilities, coupled with a milestone of 'increased customer/resident satisfaction with facilities and amenities.

B. The Future of Leisure Working Group

The main aim of the Future of Leisure Working Group is to analyse the key issues relating to the provision of quality sustainable sport centres & swimming pools in Fife.

The primary task is of the Future of Leisure Working Group to analyse the key issues and challenges relating to the future provision of sport centres & swimming pools and to consider options and solutions which could help deliver long-term, sustainable, high-quality leisure provision in Fife. Its role and remit was set out in a report on 'The Future of Leisure in Fife' which was considered by the Adult Services Committee on 23rd June 2004.

Since 2004 the working group has carried out an analysis of Fife's sports centres and swimming pools considering a number of key factors.

The working group first met in November 2004 and since then has carried out an analysis of Fife's major sports centres & swimming pools and has considered in depth a number of key factors, including:

- i. the national & local strategic context
- ii. current market conditions
- iii. infrastructure & investment requirements
- iv. management arrangements & current performance
- v. future options for key facilities

In its analysis the working group set these issues within the context of sport and leisure plans for the major population centres in Fife.

C. Initial conclusions of the work undertaken by the working group

The scale of the task ahead is significant and the way forward will involve a staged approach.

The work undertaken by the Future of Leisure Working Group identified that:

- The scale of the task is significant, given a declining infrastructure & an urgent need for significant investment to maintain, improve and possibly replace some of the current sports centres and swimming pools.
- There is a need to give serious consideration to opportunities which will address efficiency of current operations and also

- to consider the potential of alternative management and delivery models.
- There needs to be recognition that, given the scale of investment required, it simply isn't possible to resolve all of these challenges simultaneously. A more pragmatic approach is required which phases the refurbishment/replacement according to the most urgent issues confronting the Council.

The working group therefore concentrated on three leisure facilities in Glenrothes, Kirkcaldy and Dunfermline.

In considering this phased approach, the working group has focused on the significant investment challenges at three leisure facilities in key population centres:

- Fife Institute of Physical & Recreational Education (FIPRE), in Glenrothes
- Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool
- Carnegie Leisure Centre, in Dunfermline

The working group carried out an options appraisal to consider how to ensure the continued provision of quality leisure provision.

The working group carried out an options appraisal to examine how best to ensure continued quality leisure provision, which will serve the populations currently supported by these facilities. The options considered include retaining and reinvesting in the facilities listed above or replacing these facilities with new ones.

In line with Council policy it is vital to consider these options in context of the requirements of the community and stakeholders.

It is essential that the future options in relation to the aforementioned key facilities are not considered in isolation from a wider consideration of the sports and leisure requirements of the communities in which they reside. At the same time the development of a long-term strategy for the provision of quality sport & leisure facilities in Fife, will continue to focus on the key population centres.

D. Community and Stakeholder Consultation

A detailed consultation is therefore required to inform the development of long term community sport and leisure plan for Glenrothes, Kirkcaldy, and Dunfermline.

The Future of Leisure Working group therefore required an independent consultancy, TL Dempster, to undertake a detailed consultation on the current levels and location of provision and activity in Glenrothes, Kirkcaldy, and Dunfermline to inform the development of a long-term community sport and leisure plan within these 3 key communities.

C. Key Objectives

The consultation had the following key objectives:

- To determine the perceptions of a statistically representative sample of the local communities on the development options for FIPRE, in Glenrothes, Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool and Carnegie Leisure Centre, in Dunfermline.
- To identify gaps in activity and facility provision in Glenrothes, Kirkcaldy and Dunfermline.
- To consult with key stakeholders on these development options.
- To report the findings of these consultations to inform the development of FIPRE, Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool, and Carnegie Leisure Centre, in Dunfermline.
- To inform the development of Community Sport & Leisure Plans for Kirkcaldy, Dunfermline and Glenrothes and the wider strategy for Fife.

D. Summary

1. Current Participation

Participation levels

Across all three areas over two thirds of respondents do some (43%) or a lot (24%) of exercise suggesting that Fife residents are active and interested in participating in physical activity. This is re-enforced by the finding that around four out of five respondents have been active in some sporting activity in the last year. This is higher than the Scottish average reported in research by sportscotland which also reported Fife as having the highest adult sports participation rate across Scotland. Sports participation by facility users and young people is significantly higher.

Specific sport participation

The most popular sports in Fife are also those reported by sportscotland as the most popular nationally. These include:

1. Swimming

4. Cycling

2. Walking (2+ miles) 5. Running/jogging

3. Football

6. Keep fit/aerobics

A higher proportion of young people and facility users participate in the following sports:

Swimming

Badminton

Football

Athletics

Cycling

Gymnastics

Running/Jogging
 Dance

Tuition in sport, club membership and participation in competition.

Just over one guarter of respondents are members of a sport or leisure club. Just under half of these people are members of a health or fitness club with the same proportion members of a sports club. These are similar proportions to those reported by Sport England in a similar survey carried out in 2005 but lower than that reported by sportscotland.

Just over one quarter of respondents have taken part in instructor or coach led physical activity, whilst one in five have participated in organised competition, a similar proportion to that reported in the sportscotland research.

2.Interest in Participation in Sport and Leisure Activities

Interest in Participation

Around half of all respondents (53%) would be interested in participating in sports activities they are not currently involved in. Interest in participation is almost double amongst those already participating in sport compared to those not participating, highlighting the importance of encouraging participation as it leads to a more active lifestyle.

Interest in specific sports

Overall the ten sports with the most interest in participation and which are not currently participated in include:

1. Swimming 6. Dance

Horse riding
 Skiing / snowboarding

3. Ice skating / hockey4. Keep fit / aerobics8. Badminton9. Yoga

5. Other Sports 10. Martial Arts

There are no significant variations in these sports between areas in these sports.

Encouraging greater participation

Around one third of respondents do not believe anything could be done to encourage them to participate in more sports and leisure activities than they currently do. The top five things amongst residents who believe that something could be done include:

- 1. More time
- 2. More up to date facilities
- 3. A friendly / welcoming environment
- 4. To lose weight / to improve my health
- 5. Reduced costs / affordable facilities / activities

More up-to-date facilities are particularly mentioned by Glenrothes and Kirkcaldy residents.

Sports clubs were also asked what they believe would encourage greater participation, their responses include:

- 1. A friendly / welcoming environment at facilities
- 2. Support for specific sports club needs
- 3. Improved equipment in facilities
- 4. More up-to-date facilities
- 5. Reduced costs / affordable facilities / activities

3.Use of Facilities

Use of FIPRE, Carnegie Leisure Centre and Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

Around two thirds of respondents from each area have used the facility closest to them. It is also apparent that FIPRE is used by one in five respondents from Kirkcaldy, whilst Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool is used by around one in ten respondents from Glenrothes. FIPRE is the most heavily used sports facility by sports clubs, used by 81% of surveyed clubs across all three areas.

Around two thirds of users attend the facilities at least once per week with FIPRE the most heavily attended over half of respondents using this facility attend more than once per week compared to around one third of respondents at the other two facilities. Young people are more likely to visit facilities at the weekend. Whilst those most active in sport are more likely to use it midweek

Most used Facilities at FIPRE, Carnegie Leisure Centre and Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool.

The most used facilities <u>across all three locations</u> for residents and sports clubs are:

	Residents		Sports Clubs
1.	The swimming pool	1.	The swimming Pool
2.	Café	2.	Fitness suite/gym
3.	Fitness suite/gym	3.	Sports hall
4.	Sauna/ steam room	4.	Café
5.	Sports hall	5.	Outdoor pitches

In general, users of FIPRE are more likely to use more facilities including the fitness suite, café, and five-aside football. Young people have higher proportions using the swimming pool, whilst retired respondents are more likely to use the café.

Travelling to facilities

Almost three quarters of respondents who use facilities live within three miles of it. The most common method of getting to facilities is by car, even amongst young people. Higher proportions of users from Kirkcaldy and Dunfermline use the bus to access facilities. Those from Glenrothes are more heavily reliant on cars to get to FIPRE possibly because of the perceived poor public transport links

identified by Glenrothes respondents, community councils, elected members and the MSP for Central Fife.

Despite those in Glenrothes identifying public transport as an issue all three facilities are perceived to be easy to travel to with around nine out of ten respondents in every group, except community councils in Glenrothes, answering this way. The location of all three facilities is perceived to be a key strength.

Reasons for not using facilities

The most common reason for not using facilities is a lack of interest "just don't want to" (36% of non-users) and a "lack of time" (21%).

Those respondents from Kirkcaldy are more likely to suggest that a lack of facilities or poor quality facilities are reasons for not using those currently available. Those from Kirkcaldy also have a higher proportion not interested in available activities.

Respondents from Glenrothes are more likely to suggest that difficulty getting to facilities is a reason for not using them. This area also has a higher proportion interested in available activities.

Those from Dunfermline are more likely than other areas to use another sport or leisure facility or offer an "other" reason for not using the facility including poor health or age.

Encouraging non-users to visit facilities

Two thirds of non-users believe that nothing can be done to encourage them to visit facilities. Amongst the one third who do believe something can be done the three things which would encourage them to visit facilities would be:

- 1. More up-to-date facilities
- 2. A friendly / welcoming environment
- 3. Reduced costs / more affordable facilities / activities

Those respondents from Glenrothes are more likely to suggest that the following things would encourage them to visit FIPRE:

- More up to date facilities
- A friendly / welcoming environment
- Reduced costs / affordable facilities / activities
- To lose weight / to improve my health
- Improved equipment in facilities
- People friends to do it with
- More organised classes / events at facilities
- Improved transport / access to facilities

People from Kirkcaldy are more likely to suggest that the following things would encourage them to visit Kirkcaldy Swimming pool more often:

- More up to date facilities
- A friendly / welcoming environment
 People / friends to do it with
- Information / advice about where to
- Help with childcare
- More organised classes / events at facilities

People from Dunfermline are more likely to suggest that information about where to go and other reasons (such as improved health) would encourage them to visit Carnegie Leisure Centre.

4.Perceptions of Current Facilities

General perceptions about facilities

The majority of residents, community groups and sports clubs believe that the sport and leisure facilities in their area are good or better and are satisfied whilst community councils are more likely to be dissatisfied and believe that the facilities in their area are average or poor.

Non-users across all three areas are more likely to believe the overall sports provision in their area is poor suggesting that improvements to facilities may encourage these people to use them more.

Those from Dunfermline are most content whilst those in Glenrothes and Kirkcaldy appear more likely to perceive the facilities available in their area as poor. This is re-enforced by the views of elected members from these two areas who believe that facilities can and should be improved. Those from Kirkcaldy especially believe that the area should have improved facilities possibly expanding on the provision available at Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool.

Perceptions of FIPRE, Carnegie Leisure Centre and **Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool**

Below are summarised the various respondent groups' (residents, sports clubs and elected members) perceptions of the best and worst things about each of the facilities as they currently exist.

Carnegie Leisure Centre

For Carnegie Leisure Centre, the best things are perceived to be the swimming facilities, the location, the building itself and the sports hall facilities. The worst things are the changing facilities, the availability of parking and the poor condition / cleanliness of the Centre (its décor and upkeep).

FIPRE

For FIPRE the best things are perceived to be the swimming facilities, the location, the staff, and the work done to encourage participation, particularly with the disabled and the young. The worst things are the quality of the buildings, the lack of maintenance, the room / size of the facility and the poor changing facilities.

Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

For Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool the best things are perceived to be the swimming facilities, the size and location of the pool. The worst things about the current pool are the quality of the buildings including its maintenance and décor and the changing facilities.

5. Development of Facilities

Suitability of existing facilities now and in the future

Residents and sports clubs believe that the current facilities in their area are suitable for existing needs whilst community councils do not. However residents, community councils, sports clubs, elected members, FIPRE Management Committee and FIPRE Action Group are <u>all in agreement</u> that the sport and leisure facilities in their area are not suitable for the future needs of the local community and therefore require development.

Biggest Issues for Improvement at FIPRE, Carnegie Leisure Centre and Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

Below are summarised various respondent groups' (residents, community councils, sports clubs and elected members) perceptions of the biggest issues for improvement at each of the facilities.

Carnegie Leisure Centre

The biggest issues for improvement at Carnegie Leisure Centre are the parking and changing facilities as well as the provision of facilities for young people and the quality / condition of the building.

FIPRE

The biggest issues for improvement at FIPRE are the overall quality of the buildings / facility, the changing facilities, the maintenance of

the facility, the provision of facilities for young people and mothers (improved crèche), as well as improved public transport to the Institute.

Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

The biggest issues for improvement at Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool are the overall quality of the buildings / facility, the changing facilities as well as the provision of facilities for young people, mothers, disabled access and the quality / condition of equipment.

Specific Development Options at FIPRE, Carnegie Leisure Centre and Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

The preferred specific development options for each centre are outlined below:

Carnegie Leisure Centre

Three quarters of residents, and over 90% of community councils and sports clubs in Dunfermline, believe that something should be done to develop Carnegie Leisure Centre. The preferred development option amongst residents, community councils, sports clubs and elected members is that the council should keep the existing centre but re-invest / refurbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities.

Respondent Type	Preferred Development Option		
Residents	Keep the existing centre but re-		
	invest / refurbish it to provide		
	more up-to-date facilities		
Community Councils & Sports			
Clubs	invest / refurbish it to provide		
	more up-to-date facilities		
Elected Members	Keep the existing centre but re-		
	invest / refurbish it to provide		
	more up-to-date facilities		

FIPRE

88% of residents and 93% of community councils and sports clubs in Glenrothes believe that something should be done to develop FIPRE. There is agreement amongst all respondent types to keep the institute on the current site.

Community councils, sports clubs, the FIPRE Management Committee, the user focus group and elected members believe the best option is to replace the existing facility with enhanced facilities on the current site. Residents and the FIPRE Action Group believe

the best option would be to re-invest / refurbish in the existing centre to provide more up-to-date facilities.

Respondent Type	Preferred Development Option
Residents	Keep the existing centre but re-
	invest / refurbish it to provide
	more up-to-date facilities
Community Councils & Sports	Replace the existing facilities with
Clubs	enhanced facilities on the current
	site
Elected Members	Replace the existing facilities with
	enhanced facilities on the current
	site
FIPRE Management Committee	Replace the existing facilities with
	enhanced facilities on the current
	site
FIPRE Action Group	Keep the existing centre but re-
	invest / refurbish it to provide
	more up-to-date facilities

It is TL Dempster's firm opinion that survey data gathered from residents has been influenced by the strong local perception that the Council wish to demolish FIPRE and <u>not</u> replace it. This is suggested to be the reason that a lower proportion of residents opted for replacing the existing facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site. People seem to simply not believe that if the facility is demolished that it will be rebuilt at all and therefore would rather keep the existing building.

It appears that if the centre was guaranteed to be replaced on the current site then they would also agree to replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities. This conclusion is based on the focus group discussions, comments made to TL Dempster during our back-checking processes, comments made by the FIPRE management committee and the focus group with the FIPRE action group.

This issue was discussed at the FIPRE Action Group. At this group it was suggested that they would not be opposed to replacement of the building on the current site with like-for-like or enhanced facilities however, the group fears that the council would simply knock down the building and sell the ground.

Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

92% of residents and all community councils and sports clubs in Kirkcaldy believe that something should be done to develop Kirkcaldy

Swimming Pool. The preferred development option amongst residents, community councils and sports clubs is that the council should keep the existing centre but re-invest / refurbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities. Elected members on the other hand would like to see the current pool replaced with enhanced facilities on the current site to include dry-side facilities and the introduction of a larger sports centre in the area to cater for a wider range of sports and leisure activities.

As with the Glenrothes user focus group it became apparent that there exists a mistrust of the council's motives for wishing to replace the swimming pool which could have influenced respondents to the survey, both in terms of the options for refurbishment, replacement and possibly the preferred location.

Respondent Type	Preferred Development Option		
Residents	Keep the existing centre but re-		
	invest / refurbish it to provide		
	more up-to-date facilities		
Community Councils & Sports	Keep the existing centre but re-		
Clubs	invest / refurbish it to provide		
	more up-to-date facilities		
Elected Members	Replace the existing facilities with		
	enhanced facilities on the current		
	site to include dry-side facilities &		
	introduce a larger sports centre in		
	the area to cater for a wider		
	range of sports and leisure		
	activities		

6.Engagement

Community councils and sports clubs were asked a series of questions about how involved they felt in decisions made about sport and leisure in their area. It is clear from the survey results that neither community councils nor sports clubs feel engaged by Fife Council in decisions made about sport and leisure. The results suggest that these groups feel that:

- They <u>do not</u> have an influence over decisions about leisure and sport in your area.
- They <u>are not happy</u> with the level of input they have into decisions about leisure and sport in their area.
- The groups believe that Fife Council <u>does not communicate</u> <u>effectively</u> about decisions about leisure and sport in their area.

- That their organisation <u>does not receive enough information</u> about decisions about leisure and sport in their area.
- Just under half of these groups <u>do not know where to find</u> information about leisure and sport developments in their area.
- That these groups do not find the council's webpages useful for accessing information about decisions about leisure and sport in their area.
- That their organisation is not involved in decisions affecting the development and operation of sport and leisure in the community.

Despite not feeling that they are engaged or receive enough information, the survey of community councils and sports clubs strongly suggests that:

- These groups do want to take a more active role in decisions about the development of leisure and sport in your area.
- Their group <u>should be involved in decisions</u> affecting the development and operation of sport and leisure in their community.

The three preferred ways community councils and sports clubs would like to get involved include:

- Attending committee meetings
- Attending workshops
- Attending public meetings

The three preferred methods of feedback about sport and leisure decisions are:

- Receiving a letter
- Receiving a report
- Receiving a newsletter

Community councils and sports clubs were also asked an openended question about ways they would improve the way the council engages with them. These responses can be categorised and fit into three broad categories:

- 1. Improved communication
- 2. Involvement in meetings
- 3. Improved liaison and feedback

7. National Sporting Bodies

The National Sporting Bodies consulted were in agreement that Fife Council is one of the most helpful and supportive councils in Scotland with some excellent work, such as that with disabled athletes and in schools, done by clubs, volunteers, facilities (particularly FIPRE) and sports development with limited resources. However there was also agreement that that due to consistent under-investment there are a lack of high quality facilities coupled with a perceived lack of strategic co-ordination of sports development meaning that Fife is currently not fulfilling its true potential in sport and sport provision/development.

During the consultations with National Sporting Bodies a number of key themes emerged. These are listed below:

- Facilities
- Specific Gaps in facility provision
- Access issues
- Sports Development

Facilities

There is general agreement amongst the National Sporting Bodies that the existing facilities in Fife are reasonable but are out-dated, run-down and have suffered from a lack of investment and a scheduled programme of repair and replacement. The National Sporting Bodies feel it is important that in refurbishing or redeveloping facilities that the council consult with local sports clubs, National Sporting Bodies themselves and other stakeholders about the actual design of the facilities.

Specific gaps in facilities

During the consultations a number of specific facilities were suggested as being missing from the current provision. These are listed below. A couple of these (50m pool and indoor strength and conditioning) had also been mentioned in the resident, sports club, community council and elected member research:

- 50m swimming pool
- Outdoor synthetic pitches (football, hockey and rugby)
- Floodlit outdoor facilities
- Indoor facilities

Access

National Sporting Bodies view access to current facilities a problem due to a number of factors including:

- Lack of space in facilities
- Lack of flexible space in facilities

- · Lack of suitable times to access facilities
- Cost of facilities

Sports Development

Sports development is a key issue for all the National Sporting Bodies consulted. The bodies felt that good work was being done in this area but that the current sports development team was underresourced.

National Sporting Bodies feel that Fife Council should continue to look at sport and sports development in a co-ordinated, strategic manner in partnership with stakeholders such as Sport Scotland, Sport and Tayside Fife, National Sporting Bodies, local sports clubs, Disability Scotland, and the Tayside and Fife Institute of Sport.

A critical element for development is the increased resourcing of the sports development team at Fife Council. Several of the bodies interviewed suggested that the team should be better resourced in terms of staff, staff time and financial resources to promote sport. In addition, eleven of the bodies consulted with believe that the council should support sport specific development officers for their sports.

It is recognised that there are new opportunities to drive this agenda forward through the recently established sport partnership – Sport Tayside Fife – which will focus on the regional development of eight key sports.

E. Conclusions

Participation & Interest in Participation in Sport

Conclusion 1:

The results suggest that the people of Fife have higher participation levels and interest in sport than the Scottish average, this is supported by research carried out by sportscotland.

Fife Council and its partners should therefore help support and develop this interest in sport by encouraging participation and providing high quality, up-to-date facilities with enough space to provide the amenities, services and environment to enable residents and visitors to participate in the sport and leisure activities of most interest.

Encouraging Participation and the use of facilities

Conclusion 2:

The results suggest that around two thirds of respondents believe that things could be done to encourage them to participate in sport. Around one third of those who do not use Carnegie Leisure Centre, FIPRE or Kirkcaldy swimming pool believe that Fife council can do things to encourage them to visit the facilities

In particular Fife Council and its partners should look to encourage participation in sport and use of facilities by providing high quality, upto-date facilities with enough space to provide the amenities, services and environment to enable residents and visitors to participate in the sport and leisure activities of most interest.

Suitability of Facilities

Conclusion 3:

The results suggest that residents and sports clubs believe that the provision of sport in their area and the suitability of sport facilities in their area are currently satisfactory whilst community councils and elected members believe they are not.

Residents, sports clubs, elected members, community councils and other consulted stakeholders are all in agreement that the current

facilities are <u>not</u> suitable for the future needs of the citizens of Dunfermline, Glenrothes and Kirkcaldy.

Fife Council and its partners should look to provide facilities that meet the needs and aspirations of the communities of Dunfermline, Glenrothes and Kirkcaldy

All these facilities could offer more space; more indoor provision (including flexible use hall space, sport specific hall space, indoor training facilities); a 50m swimming pool (at one location); more floodlit outdoor pitches with synthetic surfaces and better general facilities including parking and changing facilities.

Perceptions & Development of Facilities

Carnegie Leisure Centre

Conclusion 4:

The results suggest that Carnegie Leisure Centre is well used and that all types of people and groups consulted believe that something should be done to develop it. The preferred development option amongst residents, community councils, sports clubs and elected members is that the council should keep the existing centre but reinvest / refurbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities.

Fife Council and its partners should therefore look to develop the facilities available at Carnegie Leisure Centre to provide more up-to-date amenities and services for the local community to encourage better access to quality provision.

These facilities should include more space; more indoor provision (including flexible use hall space, sport specific hall space particularly for gymnastics); an improved swimming pool, more facilities aimed at young people (including the pool) and better general facilities including free or better parking and improved changing facilities.

FIPRE

Conclusion 5:

The results suggest that FIPRE is a well used facility which is held in high esteem by the local community. All types of people and groups consulted believe that something should be done to either refurbish it or redevelop it on the current site.

Community councils, sports clubs, the FIPRE Management Committee, the user focus group and elected members believe the best option is to replace the existing facility with enhanced facilities on the current site. Residents and the FIPRE Action Group believe the best option would be to re-invest / refurbish in the existing centre to provide more up-to-date facilities, however they would also not be opposed to replacement of the building on the current site with like-for-like or enhanced facilities.

Fife Council and its partners should therefore look to develop the facilities available at FIPRE on the current site to replace the existing facilities with high quality, up-to-date and enhanced amenities and services for the local community. This could be delivered via a partnership with Adam Smith College.

These facilities could include a 50m swimming pool enabling flexible use of the water space; an indoor strength and conditioning training facility to replace the existing running track; a small cycling training facility; more space within the facility; more indoor provision (including flexible use hall space, sport specific hall space; a larger gym/ fitness suite); floodlit outdoor pitches with appropriate synthetic surfaces; more facilities aimed at young people (including the pool) and better general facilities including more parking, a café with a view of the pool and improved changing facilities.

Conclusion 6:

Public transportation to FIPRE is viewed as a key issue and residents, community councils, elected members and the area's MSP would all like this to be improved.

Fife Council and its partners should therefore examine the potential to improve transport links between Glenrothes town centre and FIPRE

Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

Conclusion 7:

The results suggest that Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool is well used and that all that all types of people and groups consulted believe that something should be done to either refurbish it or redevelop it.

The preferred development option amongst residents, community councils and sports clubs is that the council should keep the existing centre but re-invest / refurbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities. Elected members on the other hand would like to see the current pool replaced with enhanced facilities on the current site to include dryside facilities and the introduction of a larger sports centre in the area to cater for a wider range of sports and leisure activities.

Fife Council and its partners should therefore examine the best way to develop the pool offering best value for the community by either refurbishing or replacing the pool on the most appropriate site to provide on-going swimming provision in the area during the development and provide the demanded range of facilities and activities to meet the needs of both residents and visitors.

These facilities could include improved buildings with more light, a view of the waterfront and access from the promenade; an improved pool flexible to the needs of all users, more indoor provision (including flexible use hall space), a larger gym/ fitness suite; improved café (with a view of the pool); more facilities aimed at young people (including the pool); improved disabled access and improved changing facilities.

Engagement with sports clubs and community councils

Conclusion 8:

Community Councils and sports clubs in Fife do not feel engaged or involved in decisions about sport or leisure in their area.

Fife Council should therefore investigate how it can improve its communication, engagement and feedback to the local community and local stakeholder groups such as community councils, and sports clubs about decisions about sport and leisure in Fife.

F. Methodology

A multi method approach was employed to gather data for this consultation.

Quantitative Surveys

Face-face interviews with use	ers 1,500 face to face surveys						
and non-users of facilities							
A web-survey available throu	gh 156 responses						
Fife Direct and open to	all						
members of the public							
Telephone consultations w	ith 33 consultations						
community councils							
Telephone consultations w	ith 27 consultations						
sports clubs							
Telephone consultations with 5 consultations							
other community groups							

Qualitative Consultations

Face-to-face meetings with elected councillors	3 groups with 30 elected councillors	
Focus groups with users/non-users of facilities	3 groups with 22 people in total	
Face-to face & telephone consultations with national sporting bodies	14 consultations in total	
A consultation with the Glenrothes FIPRE Action Group	1 group with 8 people present	
A consultation with the FIPRE Management Committee	1 group with 6 people present	
A consultation with Tayside and Fife Institute of Sport	1 consultation	
A consultation with Disability sportscotland	1 consultation	

Questionnaire & Topic Guide design

A draft questionnaire was designed by TL Dempster using a combination of desk research and in consultation with representatives from Fife Council's Community Services. A list of survey issues were agreed which shaped the overall structure of the survey:

Two surveys were designed, one for residents and one for sports clubs and community councils. These shared a number of common questions although sports clubs and community councils were also asked questions about the council's involvement and engagement with them. The surveys included a number of questions included in sportscotland and sportengland surveys to allow comparison. Copies of the surveys are included in Appendix 3, on page 116.

Before the survey fieldwork began, the resident survey was piloted with 20 residents to ensure respondents understood the wording, layout and flow of questions.

Topic guides were also designed for elected official consultations, general public focus groups and the stakeholder consultations. An example topic guide is included in Appendix 3, on page 116.

Fieldwork

Residents

The fieldwork with residents (both users and non-users) involved face-to-face surveys conducted at the facilities and at residents' homes. The respondents were sampled to ensure they were broadly representative of the population of Fife with young people oversampled to ensure their participation in the consultation. An on-line survey was also published on the Fife Direct Website and publicised by the council in the local press.

Sports Clubs and Community Councils

A letter with a copy of the survey was sent to the Sports Clubs and Community Councils. TL Dempster then called each contact name up to three times. A second letter was then sent to those who had not yet been interviewed. This letter contained another survey and a reply paid envelope. Groups were given the opportunity to call or email and make an appointment to be surveyed, complete the survey and reply by post or do nothing and wait for another call from TL Dempster.

Focus Groups

For the three resident focus groups, TL Dempster phoned a random selection of users and non-users who had agreed to be contacted for this reason. A total of 12 people in each area were recruited with a

mix of gender and age. These groups took place at the facilities themselves. Once recruited group members received a letter with the date, location and time of the group.

Fife Council arranged the focus groups with elected officials, the pressure group and the FIPRE management committee.

National Sporting Bodies

TL Dempster first contacted each of the following national sporting bodies to find the correct person within each organisation to talk with:

Badminton Scotland	Scottish Football Association
Basketball Scotland	Scottish Gymnastics
Cricket Scotland	Scottish Rugby Union
Cycling Scotland	Scottish Squash
Judo Scotland	Scottish Swimming
Royal Caledonian Curling Club	Tayside and Fife Institute of Sport
Scottish Athletics Ltd,	Tennis Scotland
Scottish Disability Sport	The Scottish Hockey Union
	Limited

A letter with a copy of the topic guide was then sent to this person. A further phone call was made to each person to arrange a suitable date and time to meet, or telephone, the individual to gather their feedback. These interviews were led by a consultant. An example topic guide can be found in Appendix 3.

Data Processing

As surveys were completed, they were collated and checked for errors before being data processed.

Notes from the in-depth interviews and focus groups were completed after each group and, where possible, these were recorded.

If required more information on the methodology and research design is available on request from TL Dempster Strategy & Research.

G. Presentation & Interpretation of results

A sample, and not the entire population of Dunfermline, Kirkcaldy and Glenrothes has been interviewed and therefore the presented results are subject to sampling tolerances which means that not all differences may be statistically significant.

- The data presented from the resident survey has a range of error of 2.5%+/- on a response of 50% for the total population of the three areas.
- Within each area the data is accurate within 4.3%+/- of that areas population for a response of 50%.
- For users of each facility the data is accurate at 3.3%+/- for all three facilities combined and 5.6%+/- for each individual facility.
- For non-users of each facility, the data is accurate at 4%+/- for all three facilities combined, and 6.9%+/- for each individual facility.
- The data presented for the sports clubs is accurate at 13.6%+/on a response of 50%.
- The data presented for community councils is accurate at 10%+/- on a response of 50%.
- The data presented for the internet survey is accurate at 7.8%+/- on a response of 50%.

For more information on the accuracy levels for different response levels please refer to Appendix 1 on page 106.

Some tables and graphs present data from particular portions of the overall sample, for example, particular gender or age groups. The size of these samples varies which can affect the range of error for results. The reader should be aware of the range of error when interpreting results. For more information on the accuracy of results see "Appendix 1", on page 103.

Where percentages do not sum to 100%, this may be due to computer rounding, the exclusion of 'don't know' categories or multiple answers.

We have included question text in the body of the report. To differentiate between questions asked to the various respondent types we have included their category (e.g. residents or community council) in brackets after the question.

H. Consultation Key Findings

1. Current Participation

This section looks at Fife citizen's current levels of physical activity, their participation in sport and leisure, their membership of clubs and participation in tutored activities and organised competitions. The purpose of this section of the report is to determine what people are doing at the moment.

A. Levels of Physical Activity

All respondents were asked the following question to determine their own perceived level of physical activity:

Which of the options on this card best describes your level of physical activity? (Residents Q2)

Figure 1: Residents perceptions of their own level of physical activity

	Base	Within w hich area is this survey taking place?			
		Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy	
Base	1500	500	500	500	
High	24%	20%	25%	26%	
Medium 43		41%	44%	45%	
Low	33%	38%	31%	29%	
Don't know	1%	% 1% 1%		1%	

As illustrated in Figure 1, the majority of respondents across all three areas believe their physical activity is medium or high, indicating that a high proportion of Fife residents are active and interested in participating in physical activity.

This response will be biased, to some extent, by the fact that this research took place mainly at leisure centres however, sportscotland research indicates that Fife has the highest proportion of adults participating in sports than any other Scottish region.

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¹ Sports Participation in Scotland 2001, Research Digest no. 90 sportscotland

Perhaps understandably users of facilities and young people (those aged under 24) are much more likely to be highly active than non-users and retired people. This is shown in Figure 56 on page 107.

B. Participation in sport and leisure

Respondents were given a list of 34 sporting activities and asked the following question to determine which sports and leisure activities are most popular:

Looking at this card, have you participated in any of the listed activities in the last 4 weeks and / or in the last year? (Residents Q3)

Levels of participation

Figure 2: Participation in sport and leisure in the last four weeks and in the last year

	Base	Sports Participation (all sports last year)	Sports Participation (selected sports last year)	No Sports Participation (last year)	Sports Participation (all sports last 4 w eeks)	Sports Participation (selected sports last 4 w eeks)	No Sports Participation (last 4 w eeks)
	1479	84%	78%	19%	79%	72%	19%

Selected sports are "all sports" minus walking, snooker / billiards and dance, in line with sportscotland analysis.

The results shown in Figure 2 indicate that the residents of Fife are active in sport and leisure activities. Around 4 out of 5 respondents have been active in the last year and the last four weeks in some sporting activity, whilst 1 in 5 Fife residents are not active.

These figures are higher than those reported in the sportscotland research where 64% of adults and 99% of young people were reported to be active in sport. In the sportscotland research, Fife was also reported to have the highest levels of participation (72%).

As mentioned before these results will be somewhat biased as the majority of surveys were completed at leisure centres, however, even amongst non-users, disabled and retired people sport participation appears to be reasonably high (all above 50%). Understandably users of facilities and young people are the most active (both over 90% participation). These results are shown in Figure 57, on page 107.

Participation in specific sports

Figure 4, on page 32, illustrates the most popular specific sport activities which Fife residents participate in, these include:

- Swimming
- Cycling
- Walking (2+ miles)
- Running / jogging
- Football
- Keep /fit /aerobics

These are also the most common sports reported in the sportscotland research².

The results are shown in detail in Figure 58, on page 108. In general, as reported above, young people and users of facilities are more likely to be interested in a variety of sports whilst older, disabled and non-user's of facilities are least likely to participate in any sports.

Young people are particularly more likely than other respondents to participate in:

- Swimming
- Dance
- Badminton
- FootballCycling
- Athletics
- Running/jogging Gymnastics

Users of facilities are more likely than non-users to participate in all sports but especially:

- Swimming
- Keep-fit / aerobics
- Football
- Badminton
- Cycling
- Basketball/netball/volleyball
- Running/ jogging
 Athletics

Men are more likely than women to participate in the following sports:

Snooker / billiards

- Fishing / angling
- Cycling Multi-gym/ weight training
 Rugby

Women are more likely than men to participate in the following sports:

- Swimming
- Gymnastics
- Keep-fit/aerobics
- Yoga
- Dance
- Horse-riding

² Sports Participation in Scotland 2001, Research Digest no. 90 sportscotland

The top ten sports which specific respondent types participate in are shown in Figure 4, on page 32. This table indicates that young people are more interested in Badminton, Basketball / netball and volleyball, athletics and gymnastics, non-users are more interested in dance activities and users of FIPRE are more interested in Badminton, gym work and keep-fit / aerobics than other groups.

C. Tuition in sport or leisure

Respondents were asked the following question to determine the level of instructor led provision:

Over the past twelve months have you received tuition from an instructor or coach to improve your performance in any sport or leisure-time physical activity that you have taken part in? (Residents Q7)

The results, shown in Figure 3, show that around a quarter of respondents have participated in activities with tuition from an instructor or coach to improve their performance. This is the same proportion of people as reported in a similar survey carried out by sportengland³ in June 2005, suggesting that this result is in-line with the rest of the UK.

Figure 3: Participation in instructor or coach led provision by area

•	Base	Within w hich area is this survey taking place?			
		Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy	
Base	1279	415 420 444			
Yes	27%	30%	27%	23%	
No	73%	70%	72%	77%	
Not sure	1%	0% 1% 1%			

Young people and users of Carnegie Leisure Centre and FIPRE are more likely to have received tuition, whilst those non-users of facilities, the retired and disabled are least likely to have participated in tutor/coach led activities. This is shown in more detail in Figure 60, on page 109.

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³ Final Report of the Baseline Survey Results, Yorkshire and Humber Sport and Physical Activity Participation Survey Research Study Conducted for Sport England Yorkshire

June 2005, http://www.sportengland.org/participation in sport physical activity final report 09 .pdf

Figure 4: Top 10 sports participated in by various respondent types

All Respondents	Young people	Non user	User of Carnegie Leisure Centre	User of FIPRE	User of Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool
Swimming	Swimming	Walking (2+ miles)	Swimming	Swimming	Swimming
Walking (2+ miles)	Football	Swimming	Walking (2+ miles)	Walking (2+ miles)	Walking (2+ miles)
Football	Walking (2+ miles)	Football	Football	Football	Football
Cycling	Cycling	Dance	Cycling	Cycling	Cycling
Running / jogging	Running / jogging	Golf	Running / jogging	Badminton	Running / jogging
Keep fit / aerobics	Keep fit / aerobics Badminton Cycling		Multi-gym / weight training	Multi-gym / weight training	Keep fit / aerobics
Multigym / weight training	Basketball / netball / volleyball	Snooker / billiards / pool	Badminton	Keep fit / aerobics	Dance
Dance	Dance	Keep fit / aerobics	Dance	Running / jogging	Badminton
Badminton	Athletics	Hillwalking / climbing	Keep fit / aerobics	Golf	Multi-gym / weight training
Golf	Gymnastics	Running / jogging	Golf	Dance	Basketball / netball / volleyball

As shown in Figure 59, on page 109, those respondents participating in the following sports are more likely to report receiving tuition or coaching (all above 40%):

- Cricket
- Hockey
- Judo
- Rugby
- Athletics
- Table tennis
- Tennis
- Horse riding
- Basketball / netball / volleyball
- Curling
- Gymnastics
- Skiing / snowboarding

- Sailing
- Martial Arts
- Badminton
- Golf
- Squash
- Hillwalking / climbing
- Tenpin bowling
- Football
- Multigym / weight training
- Running / jogging
- Dance
- Keep fit / aerobics

D. Membership of clubs

Respondents were asked the following questions to determine the proportion of people in Fife who are members of an organised sports club:

Are you currently a member of a sport or leisure club? (Residents Q5) Looking at this card, what type of club is this? (Residents Q6)

Figure 5: Membership of a sport or leisure club by area

_	Base	Within which area is this survey taking place?		
		Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy
Base	1270	417	417	436
Yes	27%	26%	27%	29%
No	73%	74%	73%	71%

The results shown in Figure 5, above, show that just over a quarter of respondents are members of a sport or leisure club. Again, this result is similar to those reported in the 2005 sportengland survey and is slightly lower than the 39% reported in the 2001 sportscotland report.

Of those who are members of a club, around 40% are members of a health or fitness club whilst the same proportion are members of a sport club.

There are no statistically significant variations in terms of area although as reported earlier in this report, the elderly, disabled and non-users are less likely to be club members.

Respondents participating in the following sports report higher than average (all above 40%) membership of clubs:

- Cricket
- Hockey
- Rugby
- Skiing / snowboarding
- Gymnastics
- Multigym / weight training Ice skating / hockey
- Martial Arts
- Golf
- Horse riding

- Tennis
- Curling
- Tenpin bowling
- Judo
- Squash
- Running / jogging
- Basketball / netball / volleyball
- Sailing

E. Participation in organised competition

Respondents were asked the following question to determine the proportion of residents taking part in organised competition:

Thinking about sports or activities that you have taken part in, have you taken part in any organised competition in the past twelve months? (Residents Q8)

Figure 6: Proportion of respondents participating in organised competition by area

	Base	Within w hich area is this survey taking place?		
		Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy
Base	1281	417	420	444
Yes	21%	18%	22%	24%
No	78%	81%	78%	76%
Not sure	0%	0%	0%	0%

The results shown in Figure 6, suggest that around 1 in 5 respondents have participated in organised competition in the last year. This finding is higher than that reported in the Sport England report (15%) but is around the same proportion as that reported in the sportscotland report (23%).

Perhaps obviously, those people who are highly physical active, participate in more sports, are facility users, are young people or are male are more likely to have participated in organised competition. This is shown in detail in Figure 61, on page 110.

The sports with more than 40% of participants reporting taking part in organised competition include:

- Cricket
- Hockey
- Judo
- Rugby
- Athletics
- Tennis
- Sailing
- Gymnastics
- Golf
- Ice skating / hockey
 Horse riding

- Skiing / snowboarding
- **Bowls**
- Basketball / netball / volleyball
- Football
- Running / jogging
- Table tennis
- Martial Arts
- Snooker / billiards / pool
- Tenpin bowling

2.Interest in Participation in Sport & Leisure Activities

This section looks specifically at residents' interest in participation in sport and leisure activities which they currently do not take part in. This part of the report also investigates resident and community groups' perceptions of things which could encourage increased participation in sport and leisure activities.

A. Interest in Participation

Residents were asked the following question to understand what activities they would like to participate in but currently do not:

Which if any of the activities listed on this card would you like to participate in but currently do not? (Residents Q9)

General interest in participation

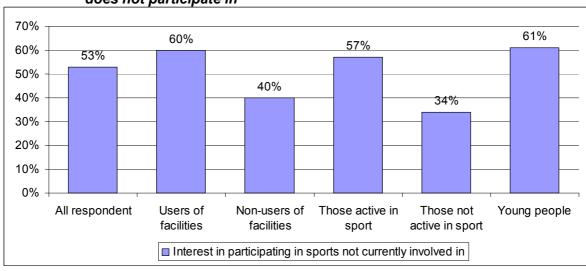


Figure 7: Interest in participating in sport that respondent currently does not participate in

The results presented in Figure 7 show that around half of respondents are interested in participating in additional sport activities.

Interest in participation is almost double amongst those already participating in sport, 57% of those already participating in sport are interested in doing more sports compared to 34% of those who have not participated in sport in the last year. Interest is also high amongst young people and current users of facilities. This suggests that those already actively engaged in sport are more likely to show greater

interest in participation generally. This illustrates the importance of encouraging participation across all of Fife.

Interest in specific sports

Excluding those not interested in participation we can identify the specific sports that Fife residents are interested in participating in (and which they are not currently involved).

The results are shown in Figure 8 on the next page. Overall the ten sports with the most interest in participation, and which are not currently participated in include:

- 1. Swimming
- 2. Horse riding
- 3. Ice skating / hockey
- 4. Keep fit / aerobics
- 5. Other
- 6. Dance
- 7. Skiing / snowboarding
- 8. Badminton
- 9. Yoga
- 10. Martial Arts

There are no statistically significant differences between areas, however there are indicative variations. For example those in Dunfermline show more interest in participation in Yoga, Hillwalking / Climbing and walking. Respondents from Glenrothes are more interested in horse riding, ice-skating, tennis, and table tennis. Those from Kirkcaldy are more interested in swimming, golf, tenpin bowling, and gymnastics.

The results are shown in detail for various respondent types in Figure 62, on page 111, again there are no statistically significant variations between respondents; however there are a number of indicative variations in terms of interest. These are summarised in Figure 9, on page 39.

It is interesting to note that both non-users of Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool and Carnegie Leisure Centre are interested in participating in swimming, activities which are available at these facilities. The focus group respondents suggested that these facilities were not appealing to non-users as they were drab, dull and unattractive. Indeed, as is explored below, non-users of Kirkcaldy also believe that more up-to-date facilities and improved equipment at facilities would help encourage them to participate in more sport or physical activity.

Figure 8: Interest in participation in specific sports by area

jure 6. interest in partic	Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy
Base	740	268	249	223
Sw imming	12%	11%	11%	16%
Horse riding	10%	8%	12%	11%
Ice skating / hockey	10%	8%	14%	9%
Keep fit / aerobics	10%	11%	10%	9%
Other	10%	10%	10%	11%
Dance	10%	10%	8%	10%
Skiing / snow boarding	9%	10%	11%	6%
Badminton	9%	9%	9%	9%
Yoga	9%	13%	7%	6%
Martial Arts	9%	7%	8%	10%
Multigym / w eight training	8%	9%	7%	7%
Tennis	7%	7%	9%	5%
Golf	7%	5%	6%	10%
Tenpin bow ling	7%	4%	7%	10%
Cycling	6%	7%	6%	5%
Gymnastics	6%	4%	6%	8%
Walking (2+ miles)	5%	7%	4%	5%
Hillw alking / climbing	5%	9%	3%	4%
Football	5%	4%	6%	4%
Sailing	5%	6%	6%	2%
Basketball / netball / volleyball	5%	4%	4%	5%
Athletics	4%	3%	6%	4%
Bow Is	4%	4%	5%	5%
Fishing / angling	4%	5%	4%	4%
Judo	4%	3%	4%	4%
Table tennis	4%	2%	6%	3%
Snooker / billiards / pool	4%	2%	4%	5%
Squash	3%	4%	4%	1%
Rugby	3%	2%	4%	2%
Running / jogging	3%	4%	1%	3%
Hockey	3%	3%	3%	2%
Cricket	2%	1%	2%	1%
Curling	1%	1%	1%	2%
None / no sport or leisure parti	-	-	-	-

Figure 9: Sports which various respondent types show more interest

than the average

Respondent Type	Sports with higher interest
Current users of Carnegie	Yoga; Sailing
Leisure Centre	
Current users of FIPRE	Horse Riding; Athletics
Current users of Kirkcaldy	Horse Riding; Martial Arts;
Swimming Pool	Gymnastics; Athletics
Non-user Dunfermline	Swimming; Walking
Non-user Glenrothes	Football; Fishing/Angling
Non-user Kirkcaldy	Swimming; ice-skating/hockey;
	Walking
Young people	Horse-riding; Ice-skating/ hockey;
	gymnastics; athletics
Retired People	Walking; Swimming; Keep-fit/
	aerobics; Dance; Bowls

В. **Encouraging greater participation**

Residents and sports clubs were asked the following questions to understand what would encourage more people to participate in sport and leisure activities.

What if anything, would encourage you to take-up or do more sport or physical activity? (Residents Q10)

I'm going to read you a list of issues, please tell me which, if any, in your opinion would encourage the local community / your members to participate in sport & leisure activities? (Sports Clubs Q20)

Residents

Around one third of respondents do not believe that there is anything that could be done to encourage them to take-up or do more sport or physical activity. The results for those who do believe that something could be done are illustrated in Figure 10 on the next page. The top five things residents believe would encourage them to take up more sport or physical activity are:

- 1. More time
- 2. More up to date facilities
- 3. A friendly / welcoming environment
- 4. To lose weight / to improve my health
- 5. Reduced costs / affordable facilities / activities

Figure 10: Residents' perceptions of issues which would encourage

them to participate in sport and leisure activities by area

	Base	Within w hich area is this surve taking place?		
		Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy
Base	931	333	294	304
More time	35%	40%	34%	29%
More up to date facilities	21%	7%	23%	35%
A friendly / w elcoming environment	20%	14%	24%	24%
To lose w eight / to improve my health	18%	24%	18%	13%
Reduced costs / affordable facilities / activities	16%	18%	19%	12%
People / friends to do it with	15%	15%	13%	17%
Improved equipment in facilities	14%	8%	12%	21%
Information / advice on where to go	13%	10%	10%	19%
Suitable facilities nearby	13%	11%	13%	16%
Information / advice on w hat to do	13%	12%	9%	17%
More organised classes / events at facilities	12%	10%	14%	14%
Other reasons not listed	10%	11%	11%	8%
More flexible opening hours in facilities	9%	8%	10%	11%
Help with childcare	9%	7%	9%	11%
Improved transport / access to facilities	7%	5%	8%	7%
Support for my specific needs	5%	7%	2%	6%
Safer neighbourhood	3%	2%	4%	5%

These results are shown in detail in Figure 63, on page 112.

It is clear that some respondents just do not have the time to do more activities. Respondents who are employed are particularly more likely to offer this as a reason.

More up-to-date facilities are particularly mentioned by Glenrothes and Kirkcaldy residents, both users and non-users of facilities (FIPRE and Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool). This is also mentioned as a particular issue for young people.

A friendly / welcoming environment is more highly rated by young people, women and retired people.

Losing weight is considered more important by non-users in Dunfermline, women, the disabled and adults in employment.

Sports Clubs

As illustrated in Figure 11, the top 5 things which sports clubs believe would encourage greater participation are:

- 1. A friendly / welcoming environment at facilities
- 2. Support for specific sports club needs
- 3. Improved equipment in facilities
- 4. More up-to-date facilities
- 5. Reduced costs / affordable facilities / activities

Sports clubs in Glenrothes and Kirkcaldy are much more likely to want more support for their specific club needs and a friendly welcoming environment than those in Dunfermline. Whilst those in Dunfermline are more likely to want reduced costs or more affordable facilities.

Figure 11: Sports clubs' perceptions of issues which would encourage the local community/ their members to participate in sport and leisure activities by area

	Base		Area	
	Dase	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy
Base	21	5	12	4
A friendly / w elcoming environment	67%	40%	75%	75%
Support for your sports club's specific needs (e.g. injury or disability)	62%	20%	75%	75%
More up-to-date facilities	57%	40%	67%	50%
Reduced costs / affordable facilities / activities	57%	100%	42%	50%
Help w ith childcare	48%	20%	58%	50%
Improved equipment in facilities	38%	20%	50%	25%
Improved transport / access to facilities	38%	20%	50%	25%
To lose w eight / to improve my health	38%	20%	58%	-
Safer neighbourhood	29%	-	33%	50%
Information / advice on where to go	24%	-	42%	-
More flexible opening hours in facilities	24%	40%	17%	25%
More time	24%	40%	25%	-
Information / advice on w hat to do	19%	-	33%	-
More organised classes / events at facilities	19%	-	33%	-
Other reasons not listed	19%	-	8%	75%
People / friends to do it with	14%	-	25%	-
Suitable facilities nearby	14%	20%	17%	-
Nothing could encourage them	10%	-	17%	-

3.Use of Facilities

This section looks at how the three facilities are used, including when they are used, how often and what are the most used services within each facility. This section also reports how people travel to the facilities and reasons why people do not use the facilities.

A. Use of facilities

All sports club and resident, respondents were asked the following question:

Have you used any of the leisure facilities listed on this card in the last 12 months? (Residents Q13 & Sports Clubs Q21))

Respondents were then asked the following question to determine which facility they used most often:

Which of these facilities do you use most often? (Residents Q14; Sports Clubs Q22)

Residents

The resident results shown in Figure 12 illustrate that residents from all three areas have used the other facilities in the last 12 months with FIPRE the most used by people from other areas. Unsurprisingly residents are most likely to use the facility closest to them most often.

Figure 12: Proportion of resident respondents using the three facilities

-	Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy	
Base		1499	499	500	500
Carnegie Leisure	Yes	24%	59%	5%	7%
Centre, Dunfermline	No	74%	41%	94%	86%
	Yes	30%	5%	66%	20%
Physical and Recreational Education	No	67%	94%	34%	74%
Kirkcaldy	Yes	26%	4%	13%	60%
Nii kealuy	No	73%	95%	86%	39%

Sports Clubs

The data presented in Figure 13 indicates that all three sports centres are used by sports clubs from other areas with FIPRE the most used

facility. As with residents, sports clubs use the facility in their area most often.

Figure 13: Proportion of sports clubs using each of the three facilities by area club is based

		Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy
Base		21	5	12	4
Carnegie Leisure Centre, Dunfermline No		33%	80%	17%	25%
		62%	20%	75%	75%
Fife Institute of	Yes	81%	60%	92%	75%
Physical and Recreational Education	No	19%	40%	8%	25%
Kirkcaldy Sw imming	Yes	24%	-	8%	100%
Pool	No	71%	100%	83%	-

B. Use of facilities

Respondents were asked the following questions to determine how often different types of people used each facility and when the facilities were used.

Taking your answer from this card, how often would you say you use this centre? (Residents Q16)

Looking at this card, which day of the week and at what times do you usually use? (Residents Q17)

How regularly facilities are used

Figure 14 on the next page, shows that the majority of user-respondents to the survey use each facility at least once per week. FIPRE is the most regularly used facility with over half of respondents using it more than once per week compared to around one third of respondents for the other two facilities.

Obviously those respondents who are high sports participators are more likely to regularly use a facility.

There are <u>no other significant variations</u> between age, gender, employment and so on. This suggests that a wide variety of users regularly use the facilities.

Figure 14: How regularly respondents use each facility

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	Base	Carnegie leisure centre	Fife institute of physical and recreational education	Kirkcaldy sw imming pool
Base	915	288	344	288
More than once per w eek	39%	30%	56%	29%
Once per w eek	26%	33%	23%	23%
Once a fortnight	9%	8%	8%	11%
Monthly	12%	12%	6%	20%
Less often	14%	17%	8%	17%

The five sports most regularly participated in by people using each of the facilities once or more per week are summarised below in Figure 15. The table suggests that those using the gym, participating in yoga or squash have the highest proportion of users regularly using facilities.

Figure 15: Top five sports with the highest proportions of participants

using each facility once or more per week

	Carnegie Leisure	FIPRE	Kirkcaldy
	Centre		Swimming Pool
1	Curling (82%)	Multi-gym / weight	Horse riding
		training (87%)	(78%)
2	Gymnastics (82%)	Yoga (84%)	Yoga (77%)
3	Ice-skating/hockey	Curling (82%)	Multigym / weight
	(82%)		training (76%)
4	Multi-gym/	Martial Arts (78%)	Squash (68%)
	weightlifting (78%)		
5	Squash (77%)	Swimming (77%)	Martial Arts (67%)

When facilities are used

Figure 16, on the next page, illustrates that all three facilities are used regularly across the whole week. FIPRE, in particular, is much more heavily used on a Monday, Wednesday and a Friday.

Young people are more likely to use facilities at the weekends, particularly Saturday morning and afternoon. Retired respondents on

the other hand are more likely to use facilities midweek on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Those heavily active in sports are more likely to use facilities in midweek.

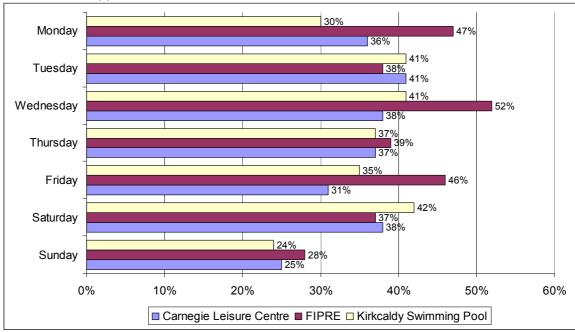


Figure 16: Proportion of respondents using each facility by days of the week

C. Aspects of the Facilities used most often

To understand which services or facilities are most used within each facility the following question was asked to both residents and sports clubs:

Looking at this card, which facilities / services do you use most often when you visit? (Residents Q15 & Sports Clubs Q24)

Residents

As illustrated in Figure 17, on the next page, the five most used facilities by residents overall are:

- 1. The swimming pool
- 2. Café
- 3. Fitness suite/gym
- 4. Sauna/ steam room
- 5. Sports hall

The swimming pool is the most commonly used facility at all three facilities. This is in-line with the data on sports participation reported earlier. In general, users of FIPRE are more likely to use more of the facilities, more often, including the fitness suite, café and five-aside-football.

Carnegie leisure centre has a higher proportion of users using the crèche facilities.

Figure 17: Proportion of resident respondents using the services/facilities at the three sports facilities by area

	Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy
Base	956	295	334	327
Sw imming pool	84%	79%	81%	91%
Cafe	44%	33%	49%	47%
Fitness suite / gym	27%	24%	34%	23%
Sauna / steam room	13%	11%	13%	14%
Sports hall	10%	11%	19%	-
Health suite	5%	9%	5%	2%
Five-aside football pitch	5%	3%	12%	-
Squash court	4%	5%	8%	-
Outdoor grass pitches	3%	-	9%	-
Tennis courts	2%	-	6%	0%
Creche	2%	5%	1%	0%
Combat studio	2%	4%	1%	0%
Synthetic turf pitch	2%	0%	4%	0%
Other	1%	2%	1%	1%
Meeting rooms	1%	1%	2%	1%
Cycling studio	1%	2%	1%	0%
Climbing w all	1%	2%	1%	-

Sports Clubs

As would be expected sports clubs have much higher use of the sports facilities than residents and much lower use of other things such as the crèche, café and so on. This is shown in Figure 18, over the page. The most used facilities generally include:

- 1. The swimming Pool
- 2. The fitness suite
- 3. The Sports hall
- 4. The Café
- 5. Outdoor pitches

In general sports clubs using FIPRE are more likely to use more of the facilities, although the reader should note that more sports clubs from Glenrothes took part in the survey.

Figure 18: Proportion of sports club respondents using the services/facilities at the three sports facilities by area

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	Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy
Base	19	4	11	4
Sw iming pool	84%	100%	73%	100%
Fitness suite / gym	74%	25%	100%	50%
Sports hall	58%	25%	91%	-
Cafe	42%	25%	55%	25%
Outdoor grass pitches	42%	25%	64%	-
Meeting rooms	37%	25%	45%	25%
Five aside football pitch	32%	-	55%	-
Synthetic turf pitch	32%	-	55%	-
Squash court	21%	-	36%	-
Other	21%	50%	9%	25%
Health suite	11%	-	18%	-
Sauna / steam room	11%	-	18%	-
Tennis courts	11%	-	18%	-

D. Travelling to Facilities

Getting to facilities

A series of questions were asked to respondents about travel to the three facilities. Firstly respondents were asked:

How do you normally travel to the centre? (Residents Q18)

As shown in Figure 19 the most common method of transport to get to all three facilities is the car. Those from Glenrothes are particularly reliant on the car to access facilities with almost two thirds using this method. A higher proportion of those users from Kirkcaldy use the bus, most likely because of its location close to the bus station. Around a quarter of users at each facility walk to get there.

Figure 19: The proportion of respondents using different methods of transport to travel to sport and leisure facilities by area

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	Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy
Base	959	296	335	328
Car	53%	51%	63%	44%
Walk	26%	28%	25%	26%
Bus / mini bus	18%	19%	8%	27%
Bicycle	2%	1%	3%	1%
Van	1%	0%	0%	2%
Train	0%	=	=	0%
Motorbike	0%	-	0%	-

As shown in Figure 20, young people are also reliant on car transportation to access facilities, although a higher proportion walk or use buses. A much lower proportion of young people from Glenrothes use the bus, most likely because of the perceived poor public transport links in Glenrothes.

Figure 20: The proportion of young respondents using different methods of transport to travel to sport and leisure facilities by area

	Base	Young people from Dunfermline	Young people from Glenrothes	Young people from Krikcaldy
Base	437	116	157	164
Car	41%	44%	49%	32%
Walk	32%	28%	37%	30%
Bus / mini bus	24%	27%	11%	35%
Bicycle	2%	1%	3%	1%
Van	0%	-	-	1%

How far people travel to get to the centre

Respondents were asked the following question to understand how far users travel to use each facility:

Taking your answer from this card, typically how far would you say you travel to the centre? (Miles) (Residents Q19)

Figure 21 demonstrates that the around three quarters of respondents travel less than three miles to use the centre.

Figure 21: How far people travel to use facilities by area

	Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy
Base	961	297	336	328
0 to 1	21%	28%	20%	16%
1 to 3	52%	45%	53%	59%
4 or 5	12%	10%	18%	9%
6 to 10	11%	11%	8%	13%
11 to 15	2%	3%	1%	2%
More than 15	1%	1%	1%	2%
Don't know	0%	0%	-	1%

The further away a person travels to a centre the more likely they are to use car transportation. This is shown in Figure 22.

Figure 22: How far people travel to use facilities by mode of transport (car, bus or walk)

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	Base	0 to 1	1 to 3	4 or 5	6 to 10	11 to 15	More than 15	Don't know
Base	934	202	486	113	99	17	14	3
Dunfermline (Car)	16%	12%	15%	17%	23%	47%	21%	-
Glenrothes (Car)	23%	8%	24%	40%	25%	18%	14%	-
Kirkcaldy (Car)	15%	4%	16%	12%	31%	18%	43%	67%
Dunfermline (Bus)	6%	0%	7%	9%	10%	6%	7%	-
Glenrothes (Bus)	3%	2%	2%	9%	2%	-	-	-
Kirkcaldy (Bus)	10%	3%	12%	12%	8%	12%	14%	-
Dunfermline (Walk)	9%	29%	5%	-	-	-	-	33%
Glenrothes (Walk)	9%	22%	8%	1%	-	-	-	-
Kirkcaldy (Walk)	9%	18%	10%	1%	-	-		-

Ease of travel to facilities

Residents, Community councils and sports clubs were asked the following question:

In your opinion is the centre easy to travel to? (Residents Q20, Community Councils and Sports Clubs Q29)

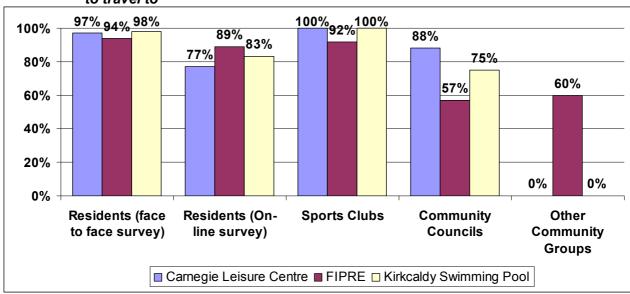


Figure 23: Proportion of respondents stating that each facility is easy to travel to

As illustrated in Figure 23, almost all resident and sports club respondents believe that the facilities are easy to travel to. A lower proportion of community councils in Glenrothes believe that FIPRE is easy to travel to than any other group.

There are no statistically significant variations between different types of resident respondent types, e.g. users and non-users. Almost all types of respondent believe the three facilities are easy to travel to.

Transportation was discussed in the focus group discussions. The key findings suggest that the focus groups' in general agree with the view that the three facilities are easy to travel to, although elected officials in Glenrothes believe that the public transportation links to FIPRE are particularly poor (see the comments from the focus groups below).

Focus group comments – Carnegie Leisure Centre

The comments made by people at the Carnegie Leisure Centre user focus group suggest that the location is a key strength of the centre.

It's proximity to the new bus station is viewed as particularly good. Comments made during the group include:

"It's right in the centre of Dunfermline so it's really handy for most people to get to"

"Most people, who use it, use it for convenience"

The Dunfermline elected members focus group agreed that the central location of the Carnegie Leisure Centre is a key strength and an advantage. The group's view is that the Centre is ideally located to be the centre of sports & leisure activity in West Fife. There is no better location for this centre or logical reason for moving it. It has good transport links locally and the introduction of the new bus terminus will improve this.

Focus group comments - FIPRE

All of the users in the FIPRE users focus group travelled by car. They all found FIPRE easy to travel to, re-enforcing the survey findings. However, there was acknowledgement that the public transport links were not as good as they could be:

"They need a proper bus service, cause I live on the other side of Glenrothes, my daughter plays netball at FIPRE and she's got to get 2 buses, one into town and one out."

"My daughter cycles 4 miles to get here and 4 miles back."

The lack of public transport was discussed in some length at the Glenrothes elected members group.

The members consider access to FIPRE to be particularly difficult for young people or those without cars who rely on public transport. Also the bus links from North & West Glenrothes are poor. The view from elected officials from North Glenrothes is that some people in their communities were excluded from use of FIPRE because of its location.

The lack of public transport was felt to be a concern in that it is possible that this can exclude some parts of the community from getting involved. This includes young people. The indication is clear that, although existing users find it easy to get to, elected members and community councils wish to see the public transport links to FIPRE improved.

This view was also supported in correspondence from Christine May, constituency MSP for Central Fife who suggests that the Council should:

"Examine the potential to improve transport link between Glenrothes town centre and Stenton."

Focus group comments - Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

Those from the Kirkcaldy user focus group believed that the location of the Swimming pool was a key strength, a couple of comments from this group include:

"Kirkcaldy Pool couldn't be better placed than where it is."

"You can have your swim and then do your shopping."

"There's a large amount of elderly people who use the swimming pool and it is easy to get to for them. Wherever you live you can get a bus to it."

The elected members agreed with this suggesting that the location of the pool was good in terms of access, especially for young and old people, as it had good public transport links and is close to the bus station.

E. Reasons for not using the facilities

Both residents and sports clubs were asked the following question if they did not use any of the facilities. The reader should note that there were no sports club respondents who did not use the facilities so these questions were not asked to any of them:

Taking your answer from this card which of these reasons best describes why you do not use this facility/these facilities? (Residents Q22, Community Councils and Sports Clubs Q27)

Reasons for not using facilities

Figure 24, shows that the most common reasons across all three areas for not using facilities are a lack of interest ("Just don't want to") and a lack of time.

Figure 24: Reasons why residents do not use facilities

	Base	Within w hid	survey	
		Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy
Base	553	199	167	187
Just don't w ant to	36%	34%	34%	40%
No time to use sports centre	21%	19%	26%	19%
Other	18%	26%	15%	12%
Use another leisure facility	12%	15%	10%	12%
Poor quality of facilities	12%	7%	9%	21%
Lack of facilities	11%	5%	11%	17%
Not interested in available activities	10%	4%	13%	13%
Difficulty getting to the facility	8%	6%	13%	6%
Too expensive	6%	9%	5%	3%
Do not know what the facility offers	5%	6%	7%	3%
Poor parking facilities	4%	6%	2%	3%
Opening times do not suit	3%	4%	2%	2%

Those respondents from Kirkcaldy are more likely to suggest that a lack of facilities or poor quality facilities are reasons for not using

facilities. Those from Kirkcaldy also have a higher proportion not interested in available activities.

Respondents from Glenrothes are more likely to suggest that difficulty getting to facilities is a reason for not using them. This area also has a higher proportion interested in available activities.

Those from Dunfermline are more likely than other areas to use another sport or leisure facility or offer an "other" reason for not using the facility including poor health or age.

Encouraging non-users to visit facilities

Respondents who did not use the facilities were also asked the following question to suggest ways in which more people could be encouraged to participate at sports and leisure centres.

Looking at this card what, if anything would encourage you to visit these facilities? (Residents Q23, Community Councils and Sports Clubs Q28)

Figure 25 illustrates that two thirds of respondents do not believe that anything can be done to encourage them to visit each of the facilities.

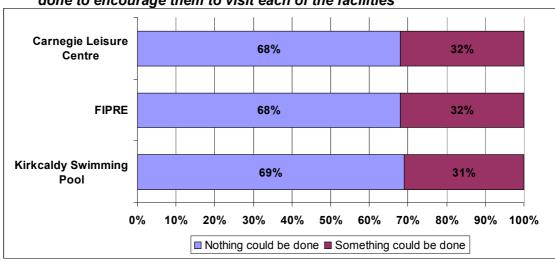


Figure 25: Proportion of respondents who believe something could be done to encourage them to visit each of the facilities

Figure 26 shows the things that could be done to encourage people to visit facilities. This table does not contain those that said nothing could be done to encourage them or that more time would encourage them, as every respondent believed they would personally need more time in order to visit the facilities.

The three things which could encourage people to visit the centres are:

- 1. More up-to-date facilities
- 2. A friendly/ welcoming environment
- 3. Reduced costs/ more affordable facilities/activities

Figure 26: Things that could be done to encourage people to visit

sports and leisure centres by area

sports und reisure centres by area	Base	Within which area is this survey taking place?				
		Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy		
Base	216	93	62	61		
More up to date facilities	30%	14%	34%	49%		
A friendly / w elcoming environment	24%	12%	32%	34%		
Reduced costs / affordable facilities / activities	19%	17%	27%	11%		
To lose w eight / to improve my health	18%	15%	29%	10%		
Improved equipment in facilities	16%	12%	21%	16%		
Information / advice on what to do	15%	15%	13%	18%		
People friends to do it w ith	14%	11%	16%	18%		
More organised classes / events at facilities	13%	9%	21%	13%		
Other reasons not listed	13%	20%	10%	5%		
Improved transport / access to facilities	10%	5%	18%	8%		
Suitable facilities nearby	9%	6%	11%	11%		
Help w ith childcare	9%	6%	6%	15%		
Information / advice on where to go	8%	10%	6%	8%		
More things for young people to do at these facilities	8%	6%	10%	10%		
Support for my specific needs	7%	9%	-	13%		
More flexible opening hours in facilities	7%	1%	15%	8%		
Safer neighbourhood	1%	1%	3%	-		

Those respondents from Glenrothes are more likely to suggest that the following things would encourage them to visit FIPRE:

- More up to date facilities
- A friendly / welcoming environment People / friends to do it with
- Reduced costs / affordable facilities / activities
- To lose weight / to improve my health
- More flexible opening hours

- Improved equipment in facilities
- More organised classes / events at facilities
- Improved transport / access to facilities

People from Kirkcaldy are more likely to suggest that the following things would encourage them to visit Kirkcaldy Swimming pool more often.

- More up to date facilities
- A friendly / welcoming environment People friends to do it with
- Information/ advice about where to
- Help with childcare
- More organised classes / events at facilities

People from Dunfermline are more likely to suggest that information about where to go and other reasons (improved health) would encourage them to visit Carnegie Leisure Centre.

4.Perceptions of Current Facilities

This section of the report looks at how residents, community councils and sports clubs perceive the facilities available in their local area. The first part of the section looks at how the facilities are evaluated and how satisfied people are with them, before going on to look at how different aspects of each of the three facilities are rated.

A. General perceptions about facilities

Residents, community councils and sports clubs were asked the following questions to determine how they evaluate the facilities in their area:

"How would you evaluate the facilities available in your local area for the activities you participate in? (Residents Q4, Community Councils & Sports Clubs Q17)"

Residents (face to face 66% 19% 14% survey) Residents (On-line 62% 18% 21% survey) **Sports Clubs** 55% 23% 23% **Community Councils** 16% 29% 54% **Other Community** 80% 20% Groups 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% ■ Excellent/ Very Good/ Good ■ Average □ Poor/ Very Poor/ Terrible

Figure 27: Proportion of respondents rating facilities available in their local area

The results presented in Figure 27, above indicate that the majority of residents, community groups and sports clubs think that facilities in their local area are good or better, whilst community council respondents rate them as average or poor.

Those residents from Kirkcaldy are more likely to perceive the facilities available in their local area as poor, very poor or terrible (19%) versus an average of 11% in the other two areas. This is shown in Figure 64, on page 113.

There is a similar finding, looking at the perceptions of community councils and sports clubs, where 25% of those from Kirkcaldy rate

the facilities as very poor compared to an average of 7% in the other two areas, this is shown in Figure 65, on page 113.

Non-users of facilities are also more likely to perceive them to be poor, very poor or terrible (23%) versus the view of facility users (11%). This is shown in Figure 66, on page 114.

It would therefore appear that a larger proportion of those from Kirkcaldy feel that their local area has poor facilities. This is reenforced when the reasons for not using facilities, explored earlier, are considered. 20% of non-users in Kirkcaldy do not use facilities because of their poor quality and 16% due to the perceived lack of facilities.

Comments in the focus groups with users and elected members in Kirkcaldy also suggest there is a perception that the area has poor facilities. In the users focus group there was the strong opinion that the current swimming pool was "drab", "dreary" and "run-down" and generally unattractive. The users also felt that Kirkcaldy, as a town, had been let down by the lack of sports and leisure provision in the town.

The Kirkcaldy elected members focus group agreed with the view that Kirkcaldy could have improved facilities. The elected members felt that generally Kirkcaldy is reasonably well served for leisure with decent but run-down facilities which are well intentioned but not necessarily fit for purpose due to the lack of maintenance.

The group discussed the opinion that the town of Kirkcaldy has been let down by under-funding from the Council, there is a perceived lack of facilities in the area compared to similar sized areas, for example Perth. The general view is that Kirkcaldy is short in sports facilities to help people develop and meet their aspirations in sport and leisure and that the town has never had a superior sports facility and needs to develop sports provision strategically.

One approach to achieve this, suggested by the elected members, would be to maintain Kirkcaldy Swimming pool as a leisure and tourist site and introduce a larger sports campus elsewhere in the area with facilities for more sports of interest to the local community, such as football, bowling, gym/fitness, gymnastics and space for athletes to train.

B. Satisfaction with facilities

Residents, community councils and sports clubs were asked the following question to determine how satisfied they are with the facilities in their area:

How satisfied are you with overall sports and leisure provision in your local area? (Residents Q11, Community Councils & Sports Clubs Q18)

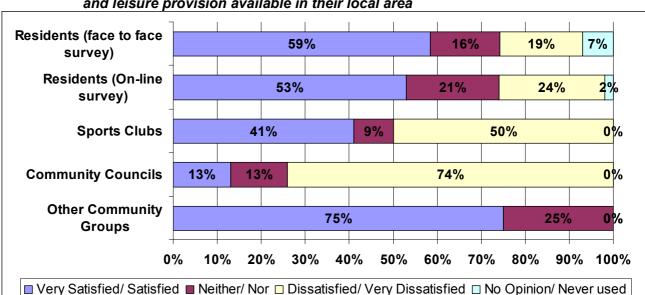


Figure 28: Proportion of respondents satisfied with the overall sports and leisure provision available in their local area

The results presented in Figure 28, suggest that, as with the evaluation of facilities, the majority of residents are satisfied with the overall sports and leisure provision in their local area, whilst community council and sports club respondents are generally dissatisfied.

Whilst the majority of residents in all three areas are satisfied with the overall sports and leisure provision in their local area, there are variations between areas in terms of dissatisfaction. 27% of those from Kirkcaldy and 16% of those from Glenrothes are fairly or very dissatisfied compared to 12% in Dunfermline. This is shown in Figure 67, on page 114.

As with evaluation of facilities (see page 57) a trend emerges that of the three areas, those from Dunfermline are most likely to be satisfied, followed by those from Glenrothes and then those from Kirkcaldy. Non-users in particular across all three areas are more likely to be dissatisfied with the overall sports and leisure provision,

suggesting that improving facilities may encourage non-users to use facilities.

Residents, community councils and sports clubs were asked the following open-ended question

Why do you say that? (Residents Q12, Community Councils & Sports Clubs Q19)

Residents

As Figure 29 indicates almost three quarters of the open ended comments from residents are from people who are satisfied with the sports provision in their area. It is interesting to note that as mentioned earlier in this report (see page 57) those respondents from Kirkcaldy are more likely to make comments about their dissatisfaction than residents from other areas.

Figure 29: Number of satisfied and dissatisfied resident comments by area

	Very Satisfied/ Satisfied comments	Very Dissatisfied/ Dissatisfied comments	Total Comments
Dunfermline	81%	19%	295
Glenrothes	76%	24%	320
Kirkcaldy	50%	50%	218
All Respondents	71%	29%	833

The open ended comments have been grouped and categorised and the three most common categories are presented below for each area by level of satisfaction.

Comments from Dunfermline residents

Satisfied Comments

240 comments were made by residents from Dunfermline who are satisfied with the sports provision in their area, this is 81% of all the open-ended comments for this area. The three most common categories include 63% of all positive comments these three categories include:

- 1. The amount of facilities available (33% of satisfied comments, 80 comments)
- 2. General satisfaction with provision (23% of comments, 55 comments)
- 3. The provision of adequate facilities (7% of comments, 17 comments)

Dissatisfied Comments

55 comments were made by residents from Dunfermline who are dissatisfied with the sports provision in their area, this is 19% of all the open-ended comments for this area. The three most common categories include 62% of all negative comments. These three categories include:

- 1. The lack of facilities available (40% of comments, 22 comments)
- 2. The need to upgrade and improve facilities (15% of comments, 8 comments)
- 3. The lack of facilities / activities for young people (7% of comments, 4 comments)

Comments from Glenrothes residents

Satisfied Comments

243 comments were made by residents from Glenrothes who were satisfied with the sports provision in their area, this is 76% of all the open-ended comments for this area. The three most common categories include 56% of all positive comments. These three categories include:

- 1. The amount of facilities available (35% of satisfied comments, 86 comments)
- 2. General satisfaction with provision (12% of comments, 29 comments)
- 3. The convenient location of FIPRE (9% of comments, 22 comments)

Dissatisfied Comments

77 comments were made by residents from Glenrothes who were dissatisfied with the sports provision in their area, this is 24% of all the open-ended comments for this area. The three most common categories include 68% of all negative comments. These three categories include:

1. The lack of facilities available (47% of comments, 36 comments)

- 2. The need to upgrade and improve facilities (13% of comments, 10 comments)
- 3. The poor transport links to FIPRE (8% of comments, 6 comments)

Comments from Kirkcaldy residents

Satisfied Comments

110 comments were made by residents from Kirkcaldy who were satisfied with the sports provision in their area, this is 50% of all the open-ended comments for this area. The three most common categories include 67% of all positive comments. These three categories include:

- 1. General satisfaction with provision (28% of comments, 31 comments)
- 2. The amount of facilities available (25% of satisfied comments, 27 comments)
- 3. The provision of adequate facilities (15% of comments, 16 comments)

Dissatisfied Comments

108 comments were made by residents from Kirkcaldy who were dissatisfied with the sports provision in their area, this is 50% of all the open-ended comments for this area. The three most common categories include 76% of all negative comments. These three categories include:

- 1. The lack of facilities available (36% of comments, 39 comments)
- 2. The need to upgrade and improve facilities (30% of comments, 32 comments)
- 3. The lack of facilities / activities for young people (10% of comments, 11 comments)

Community Councils & Sports clubs

As Figure 30, below, indicates 70% of the open ended comments from community councils and sports clubs are from those who are dissatisfied with the sports provision in their area.

The open ended comments have been grouped and categorised and the three most common categories are presented below for each area by level of satisfaction.

Figure 30: Number of satisfied and dissatisfied comments by area

	Very Satisfied/ Satisfied comments	Very Dissatisfied/ Dissatisfied comments	Total Comments
Dunfermline	7%	93%	14
Glenrothes	48%	52%	23
Kirkcaldy	22%	78%	9
All Respondents	30%	70%	46

Comments from Dunfermline Community Councils/ sports clubs

Satisfied Comments

One comment was made from a community councils/ sports club respondent who was satisfied with the provision in Dunfermline, this is 7% of all the open-ended comments for this area. This respondent's comment was that the area has generally good facilities for the needs of the community.

Dissatisfied Comments

13 comments were made by community councils/ sports clubs from Dunfermline who are dissatisfied with the sports provision in their area, this is 93% of all the open-ended comments for this area. The three most common categories include 77% of all negative comments. These three categories include:

- 1. The lack of facilities available (4 comments)
- 2. The need to match facilities to the needs of the community (4 comments)
- 3. The need to upgrade and improve facilities (2 comments)

Comments from Glenrothes Community Councils/ sports clubs

Satisfied Comments

11 comments were made by community councils/ sports clubs from Glenrothes who were satisfied with the sports provision in their area, this is 48% of all the open-ended comments for this area. The three most common categories include 82% of all positive comments. These three categories include:

1. General satisfaction with provision (5 comments)

- 2. The value of FIPRE to the area (3 comments)
- 3. The convenient location of FIPRE (1 comment)

Dissatisfied Comments

12 comments were made by community councils/ sports clubs from Glenrothes who were dissatisfied with the sports provision in their area, this is 52% of all the open-ended comments for this area. The most common categories include 83% of all negative comments. These three categories include:

- 1. The need to upgrade and improve facilities (5 comments)
- 2. The facilities not sufficient for the community (4 comments)
- 3. The lack of facilities available (1 comment)

Comments from Kirkcaldy Community Councils/ sports clubs

Satisfied Comments

Two comments were made by community councils/ sports clubs from Kirkcaldy who were satisfied with the sports provision in their area; this is 22% of all the open-ended comments for this area. These comments were both about the value of the swimming pool to the community

Dissatisfied Comments

7 comments were made by community councils/ sports clubs from Kirkcaldy who were dissatisfied with the sports provision in their area; this is 78% of all the open-ended comments for this area. The most common categories include 71% of all negative comments. These categories include:

- 1. The need to upgrade and improve facilities (3 comments)
- 2. The need for more pool space for clubs (2 comments)

The views of elected members

Elected members from the three areas were also asked, in the focus group discussions, their views on the current provision of sport and leisure facilities in their area

There is consensus amongst elected members across all three areas that there exists reasonable provision but that this provision has not been maintained or invested in, and that there exists strong demand in their communities for more, high quality, particularly covered / indoor, sports and leisure provision with easy access in terms of opening hours and transportation.

The general view of all three elected members focus groups is that over the last decade sport & leisure have not been a priority to the council and the facilities have therefore seen a lack of investment leading to the current situation with the state of the buildings and equipment in need of refurbishment and in some cases replacement.

As with the resident survey it would appear that elected members from Dunfermline are most satisfied, although they do wish to see developments. The consensus view of the Dunfermline elected members is that there exists a range of sports and leisure facilities which meet the overall current needs. The impression is that the provision in West Fife is good. However, there is a lack of indoor facilities in the villages of West Fife in particular.

The elected members from Glenrothes feel that their areas are not well provided for and in some areas the provision is described as "non-existent". The feeling was that there are a number of green spaces but a severe lack of up-to-date indoor facilities and a lack of organised activities / facilities. Elected officials from North Glenrothes stressed the lack of facilities available in their areas.

The elected members from Kirkcaldy felt that their area is reasonably well served for leisure with decent facilities but that the available provision is run-down resulting in a number of facilities which are well intentioned but not necessarily up to current standards. The elected members feel that the town of Kirkcaldy has been let down by underfunding from the Council, there is a lack of facilities in the area compared to, for example, Perth, and that Kirkcaldy is woefully short in sports facilities to help sports people develop and meet the aspirations.

C. Perceptions of facilities

Users of each of the three facilities were asked the following question to determine how they rate different aspects of each facility. Community councils and sports clubs were also asked the same question:

I'm going to read out various statements about the facility you use most often, can you tell me what you think of each using the scale on this card, how would you evaluate the facility you use most often in terms of the following? (Residents Q21 & Sports Clubs Q25)

In addition, during the elected members focus groups, the FIPRE Management Committee group and the FIPRE Action Group focus

group discussions participants were asked about the key issues facing the facility in their area.

The results for each facility are presented below:

C.1 Carnegie Leisure Centre

Residents

As shown in Figure 31 on page 70, those residents who have used Carnegie Leisure centre believe that the best things about the facility are:

- The swimming facilities
- The overall quality of the facility/centre
- Size of the centre

In centre users' opinion the worst things about Carnegie Leisure Centre are perceived to be:

- Parking facilities
- Changing facilities
- The cleanliness of the centre
- The catering facilities

Sports Clubs

As shown in Figure 34 on page 71, the sports clubs who have used Carnegie Leisure centre believe that the best things about the facility are:

- The swimming facilities
- Catering facilities
- The overall quality of the facility/centre
- Sports hall facilities

The worst things about Carnegie Leisure Centre are perceived to be:

- Changing facilities
- Quality of the equipment
- The cleanliness of the centre

Elected members

Elected members from Dunfermline believe that the poor condition of the infrastructure of Carnegie Leisure Centre is a concern. The décor is seen as out-of-date and it is recognised that the centre does need refurbishment to provide safe, up-to-date facilities that meet the current needs of the community. Specifically the elected members group mentioned that the changing facilities could be developed and that to bring the facility to national standards would require development.

C.2 FIPRE

Residents

As illustrated in Figure 32, on page 70, those residents who have used FIPRE believe that the best things about the institute are:

- The swimming facilities
- The overall quality of the facility / centre
- The size of the facility

The worst things about FIPRE are perceived to be:

- Quality of the buildings
- Changing facilities
- Having enough room or space for users

Sports Clubs

As shown in Figure 35 on page 71, the sports clubs who have used FIPRE believe that the best things about the facility are:

- The swimming facilities
- The overall quality of the facility / centre
- Facilities for young people
- The quality of the equipment

The worst things about FIPRE are perceived to be:

- Changing facilities
- Quality of the buildings
- The size of the facilities
- The catering facilities

Elected members, FIPRE Management Committee, and the FIPRE Action Group

The elected members of Glenrothes agree with the FIPRE Management Committee and the FIPRE Action Group that FIPRE is the key provider of the sports and leisure needs in the local area and is central to the provision in the town and surrounding area.

However, all three groups agree that FIPRE has suffered from years of under investment and the building infrastructure is in decline. It is no longer viewed to be fit for purpose and as standards of sporting bodies have increased FIPRE is no longer suitable for competitive

events. One participant in the elected members' group described FIPRE as "shabby and possibly unsafe".

The poor condition of the institute's physical infrastructure is a concern. The décor is seen as out-of-date and it is recognised that the centre does need refurbishment to provide safe up-to-date facilities.

Due to the lack of maintenance and funding, the upkeep of the institute has suffered, for example, in terms of painting and decor of the building, the fitness for purpose of the facilities and equipment, in particularly the changing rooms. The running track and athletics facilities are run down, unusable and in need of replacement. Parking is also viewed as insufficient for the current use.

The FIPRE Action Group agree that the building and equipment are out-of-date and should be improved (on the current site) to allow proper engagement with the community and encourage competitive events to return to the Institute. This is, in the groups opinion, the best way to meet the needs of the community.

The elected members believe that the council should plan for at least a double in demand for the facility so it meets the needs of future generations. There is a requirement for indoor facilities, improved gym, more sports halls, bigger pool and more affordable facilities, with a key issue the flexibility of the space.

C.3 Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

Residents

As Figure 33, on page 70, demonstrates those residents who have used Kirkcaldy swimming pool believe that the best things about the pool are:

- The swimming facilities
- The size of the facility
- The cleanliness of the pool

The worst things about Kirkcaldy swimming pool are perceived to be:

- Quality of the buildings
- Changing facilities
- Facilities for young people

Sports Clubs

As shown in Figure 36, on page 71, the sports clubs who have used Kirkcaldy swimming pool believe that the best things about the facility are

- The swimming facilities
- The size of the facility
- The room / space for users
- The overall quality of the facility/centre

The worst things about Kirkcaldy swimming pool are perceived to be:

- Changing facilities
- The catering facilities
- The gym/fitness facilities
- Quality of the buildings

Elected members

The elected members from Kirkcaldy felt there was a risk in losing a well attended, highly thought of facility although elected members did suggest that the current pool is considered old-fashioned, not fun, neglected and not well maintained. There was a consensus that the pool has been neglected and has suffered from under-investment and a lack of maintenance. Its appearance is simply not up to current modern standards. The changing facilities were considered to be poor. There are not enough room for showers; there are no changing facilities next to the gym for example.

The view was expressed that the swimming pool is built "the wrong way round", there should be windows facing the waterfront and that more natural light should be allowed into the building as it is currently "dreary", "smelly" and "deteriorating".

Figure 31: The evaluation of Carnegie Leisure Centre by residents using the facility

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	Base	Very good	Good	Poor	Very Poor	No opinion / don't know
Base	5473	8%	54%	12%	3%	23%
Changing facilities	353	7%	58%	28%	4%	3%
Catering facilities	343	6%	51%	16%	4%	22%
Gym / fitness facilities	340	10%	42%	3%	1%	44%
Outdoor facilities / playing fields	333	3%	25%	4%	3%	65%
Quality of buildings	350	7%	69%	15%	2%	7%
Quality of equipment	339	9%	61%	8%	1%	20%
Sports hall facilities	337	7%	49%	2%	1%	41%
Facilities for young people	342	10%	55%	11%	3%	22%
Sw imming facilities	352	19%	65%	10%	2%	4%
Cleanliness of facilities	352	9%	67%	18%	2%	3%
Size of facility	342	10%	70%	13%	2%	4%
Enough room / space for all users	337	8%	67%	16%	2%	7%
Disabled access to facilities	338	5%	43%	5%	1%	46%
Facilities for mothers / creche	338	6%	35%	6%	1%	51%
Parking facilities	334	5%	36%	22%	13%	24%
Overall quality of facility / centre	343	11%	72%	8%	2%	6%

Figure 32: The evaluation of FIPRE by residents using the facility

	Base	Very good	Good	Poor	Very Poor	No opinion / don't know
Base	7134	11%	53%	12%	3%	21%
Changing facilities	452	6%	62%	24%	5%	4%
Catering facilities	448	9%	55%	13%	3%	20%
Gym / fitness facilities	448	13%	42%	6%	1%	38%
Outdoor facilities / playing fields	444	9%	40%	8%	4%	40%
Quality of buildings	451	4%	51%	31%	5%	8%
Quality of equipment	444	10%	58%	11%	1%	20%
Sports hall facilities	446	12%	47%	7%	2%	33%
Facilities for young people	446	15%	49%	11%	5%	19%
Sw imming facilities	451	21%	61%	9%	2%	6%
Cleanliness of facilities	449	10%	68%	13%	3%	6%
Size of facility	445	16%	64%	11%	2%	6%
Enough room / space for all us	444	14%	60%	15%	2%	9%
Disabled access to facilities	443	8%	40%	7%	4%	40%
Facilities for mothers / creche	442	7%	26%	6%	5%	56%
Parking facilities	440	8%	52%	12%	3%	26%
Overall quality of facility / centre	441	13%	69%	9%	2%	6%

Figure 33: The evaluation of Kirkcaldy Swimming pool by residents using the facility

	Base	Very good	Good	Poor	Very Poor	No opinion / don't know
Base	5844	7%	45%	16%	5%	28%
Changing facilities	381	4%	51%	29%	13%	3%
Catering facilities	372	6%	56%	12%	3%	23%
Gym / fitness facilities	367	7%	37%	5%	1%	50%
Outdoor facilities / playing fields	352	5%	19%	7%	5%	64%
Quality of buildings	371	4%	37%	40%	6%	13%
Quality of equipment	359	6%	45%	18%	3%	29%
Sports hall facilities	356	5%	25%	8%	3%	58%
Facilities for young people	366	8%	39%	20%	8%	25%
Sw imming facilities	379	13%	66%	15%	2%	4%
Cleanliness of facilities	377	6%	66%	19%	6%	4%
Size of facility	363	9%	66%	14%	2%	8%
Enough room / space for all users	360	9%	62%	15%	2%	12%
Disabled access to facilities	361	4%	42%	6%	3%	45%
Facilities for mothers / creche	359	5%	16%	8%	7%	63%
Parking facilities	360	8%	38%	15%	4%	36%
Overall quality of facility / centre	361	7%	59%	22%	4%	9%

Figure 34: The evaluation of Carnegie Leisure Centre by sports clubs using the facility

	Base	Very good	Good	Poor	Very	No opinion / dont know
Base	96	16%	55%	13%	6%	10%
Changing facilities	7	-	71%	-	29%	1
Catering facilities	7	14%	71%	14%	-	1
Facilities for young people	7	29%	43%	-	14%	14%
Sw imming facilities	7	43%	57%	-	-	-
Cleanliness of facilities	7	14%	57%	29%	-	-
Overall quality of facility / centre	7	29%	57%	14%	-	-
Gym / fitness facilities	6	17%	50%	17%	-	17%
Outdoor facilities / playing fields	6	-	33%	-	33%	33%
Quality of buildings	6	17%	67%	17%	-	-
Quality of equipment	6	-	67%	33%	-	-
Sports hall facilities	6	33%	50%	-	-	17%
Size of facility	6	17%	50%	33%	-	-
Enough room / space for users	6	17%	50%	33%	-	-
Disabled access to facilities	6	-	50%	-	-	50%
Facilities for mothers / creche	6	-	50%		17%	33%

Figure 35: The evaluation of FIPRE by sports clubs using the facility

	Base	Very	Good	Poor	Very	No opinion / dont know
Base	244	8%	52%	20%	10%	10%
Changing facilities	17	-	29%	35%	29%	6%
Quality of equipment	17	-	65%	24%	6%	6%
Facilities for young people	17	12%	59%	6%	12%	12%
Sw imming facilities	17	18%	65%	6%	6%	6%
Cleanliness of facilities	17	12%	59%	24%	6%	-
Overall quality of facility / centre	17	12%	59%	24%	6%	-
Catering facilities	16	6%	44%	38%	-	13%
Gym / fitness facilities	16	13%	50%	19%	6%	13%
Quality of buildings	16	6%	44%	44%	6%	-
Size of facility	16	6%	56%	31%	6%	-
Enough room/ space for users	16	6%	63%	25%	6%	-
Disabled access to facilities	16	-	56%	-	13%	31%
Facilities for mothers / creche	16	-	38%	-	19%	44%
Outdoor facilities / playing fields	15	13%	33%	13%	20%	20%
Sports hall facilities	15	13%	53%	20%	7%	7%

Figure 36: The evaluation of Kirkcaldy Swimming pool by sports clubs using the facility

	Base	Very	Good	Poor	Very	No opinion / dont know
Base	73	11%	22%	34%	7%	26%
Changing facilities	5	-	-	60%	40%	-
Catering facilities	5	20%	-	60%	-	20%
Gym / fitness facilities	5	20%	-	60%	-	20%
Quality of buildings	5	-	20%	60%	-	20%
Quality of equipment	5	-	40%	40%	-	20%
Facilities for young people	5	20%	20%	20%	20%	20%
Sw imming facilities	5	20%	40%	20%	-	20%
Cleanliness of facilities	5	-	40%	40%	-	20%
Size of facility	5	20%	20%	40%	-	20%
Enough room/ space for users	5	20%	20%	40%	-	20%
Disabled access to facilities	5	-	40%	-	-	60%
Facilities for mothers / creche	5	-	40%	-	20%	40%
Overall quality of facility / centre	5	20%	20%	40%	-	20%
Outdoor facilities / playing fields	4	-	25%	-	25%	50%
Sports hall facilities	4	25%	-	25%	-	50%

5. Development of Facilities

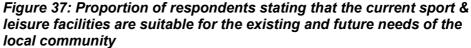
This section of the report looks at how the three facilities should be developed in order to meet the needs of the local communities in which they are located. The first part of the section looks at how suitable facilities are perceived to be for the current and future needs of the community, before exploring the key issues to be addressed at each of the facilities and the views of respondents on the most appropriate approach to developing them.

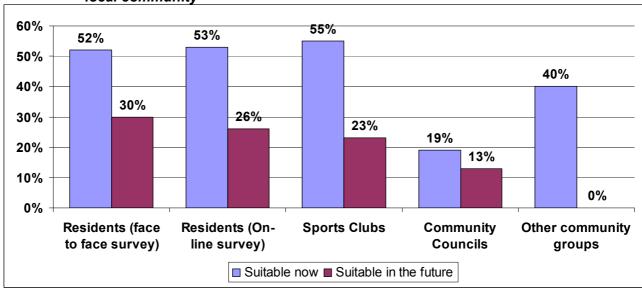
A. The suitability of existing facilities now and in the future

Residents, community councils and sports clubs were asked the following question:

"In your opinion do you think the current sport and leisure facilities in your area are suitable for the existing and future needs of the local community?" (Residents Q24, Community Councils & Sports Clubs Q30)

In addition the elected members' focus groups were asked if they believed the facility in their area met the needs of the local community





The results, shown in Figure 37, above, suggest that residents and sports clubs believe that the current facilities in their area are suitable for existing needs, whilst community councils do not.

However residents, community councils and sports clubs are <u>all in</u> <u>agreement</u> that the sport and leisure facilities in their area are not

suitable for the future needs of the local community, and therefore require development.

These results are shown in more detail in Figure 68 and Figure 69 on page 115. The data presented in these tables suggests that young people, facility users and those from Glenrothes are most likely to say their local facilities are suitable now, whilst those from Kirkcaldy and non-users of facilities are most likely to say they are not currently suitable.

Those respondents from Kirkcaldy and facility users are most likely to say that the facilities in their area are not suitable for the local communities future needs.

Respondents were also asked the following open-ended question to qualify their views on the suitability of facilities:

"Do you have any comments you would like to add?" (Residents Q25, Community Councils & Sports Clubs Q31)

Overall residents from the three areas provided 767 open-ended comments. These were categorised and the three most common categories (making up 53% of comments) are presented in Figure 38.

The responses suggest that to make the facilities suitable for the future needs of the community, more facilities and activities will need to be provided and the existing facilities will need to be upgraded, modernised and developed.

Figure 38: Proportion of open-ended resident comments about the suitability of facilities now and in the future

	To meet needs facilities will need to be modernised and upgraded	More or better facilities are required to meet future needs	Comments specific to Facilities	Comments
Dunfermline	19%	14%	7%	228
Glenrothes	30%	8%	22%	311
Kirkcaldy	33%	10%	13%	228
All Respondents	28%	11%	15%	767

Comments specific to facilities

7% of comments from Dunfermline residents suggested that the Carnegie Leisure Centre will need to improve to suit the needs of an expanding town. Comments include:

"The community getting bigger all the time, more facilities needed."

"Obviously there's going to be more and more people wanting to use these places, plenty for now but in the future I think there will be a need for more."

"They need to update and consider the large population, especially children."

22% of comments from Glenrothes residents suggest that FIPRE is a vital facility for the future needs of the community. Comments include:

"If they take FIPRE away we will have nothing here for us in Glenrothes."

"Everything is fine at the moment but if FIPRE is closed it will be devastating for community."

"It is madness to even think about closing the Fife Institute. The community needs this facility."

13% of comments from Kirkcaldy residents suggest the council should improve the current Kirkcaldy pool to meet the future needs of the community. Comments include:

"Modernise the pool and bring it up-to-date, it looks tired."

"The Kirkcaldy Swimming pool is over 30 years old and does not meet the needs of the people who use it."

"The Kirkcaldy Swimming pool needs to be upgraded to meet needs of local community."

Sports Clubs

Overall sports clubs from the three areas provided 55 open-ended comments. These were categorised and the three most common categories (making up 83% of comments) are presented in Figure 39.

The responses suggest that, in the view of sports clubs, to make the facilities suitable for the future needs of the community the existing facilities will need to be upgraded, modernised and developed.

Figure 39 Proportion of open-ended sports club comments about the suitability of facilities now and in the future

	To meet needs facilities will need to be modernised and upgraded	More or better facilities are required to meet future needs	Comments specific to Facilities	Comments
Dunfermline	47%	0%	40%	15
Glenrothes	57%	11%	18%	28
Kirkcaldy	42%	17%	17%	12
All Respondents	51%	9%	24%	55

Comments specific to facilities

27% of comments from Dunfermline sports clubs (4 comments) suggested that the Carnegie Leisure Centre will need to improve to provide better access for clubs, comments include:

"We don't have enough affordable pool time at Carnegie".

The Centre needs to be more easily accessible for clubs both in terms of parking and space within the centre.

13% of comments (2 comments) suggested that the council should support the development of sport in Dunfermline. Comments include:

"Sports & leisure provision has not kept up with the other developments in the area and the growth of population"

"There needs to be more funding for sport in Dunfermline"

18% of comments from Glenrothes sports clubs (5 comments) suggest that FIPRE is a good facility for the future needs of the community and should be kept. Comments include:

"Very good facilities, staff are helpful and friendly and there are always new ideas."

"FIPRE is in a central location with good facilities but they are just not up to modern standards."

"It been run down, neglected. Still good activities but building is run down."

17% of comments from Kirkcaldy sports clubs (2 comments) suggest the council should improve the current Kirkcaldy provision by moving the pool. Comments include

"Would like a new large site with all facilities of a leisure pool."

"Kirkcaldy pool should be knocked down and a better facility put in its place"

Elected members

In general, the elected members from all three areas believe that the facilities in their area meet the key needs of the local communities and that the facilities should not necessarily cater for every sport or leisure activity, but concentrate on what the community wants and what the facilities can realistically offer. Each facility should aim to offer these things, linking with other facilities to provide the breadth of provision.

The view was expressed that there should be a balance in use between sports users and leisure users and that activities and facilities should be provided for both.

FIPRE Action Group

The FIPRE Action Group suggested that the petition to maintain the Institute, organised by the group with over 12,000 signatures, suggests that the current facility does meet the current needs of the community.

B. Development of Facilities – Improving facilities

Community councils and sports clubs were asked the following question:

"In your opinion do you think the facilities at each of the following could be improved?" (Community council & sports clubs Q33)

The results shown in Figure 40, illustrate that community councils and sports clubs strongly believe that all three facilities could be improved. Interestingly only 36% of the interviewed sports clubs who use Kirkcaldy swimming pool believe it could be improved.

One possible reason for this could be that Kirkcaldy swimming pool is viewed as a "proper" swimming pool as opposed to a leisure pool and therefore is somewhere to go to have a serious swim. The swimming facilities at the pool are rated well (see Figure 36 on page 71) and this is possibly why sports clubs think the facility is fine.

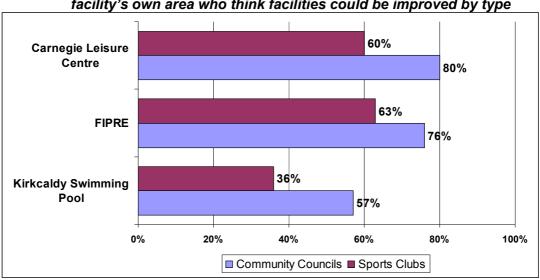


Figure 40: Proportion of community councils and sports clubs from facility's own area who think facilities could be improved by type

The views of elected members

In the elected member focus groups they were asked how the current provision of sports & leisure facilities could be developed or improved. There are a number of general and specific points which emerged from these discussions.

In general, elected members from all three areas are in agreement that any development should focus on the current needs of the

communities in which these facilities are based, and should aim to not only provide facilities but encourage use of these facilities and the activities within them by refurbishing / replacing them, maintaining them and marketing them. The elected members also agree that the development of facilities should be done in conjunction with the consideration of the wider issues of Sport & Leisure more generally, and how it can be supported for both the general public and athletes.

There were also a number of specific comments made by each group of elected members about their specific areas.

Specific issues – Dunfermline elected members

The elected members from Dunfermline believe that the development of the facilities in the area is about encouraging better access to quality provision, both locally and for larger facilities. Specifically, they mentioned a need for more indoor facilities in West Fife.

Specific issues - Glenrothes elected members

There were a number of specific improvements / developments which the Glenrothes elected members felt could be introduced, these include:

- Covered facilities to allow all year round participation
- Flexible, accessible facilities catering for a wide-range of sports
- More affordable facilities
- Facilities with much better public transport links
- Organised and staffed activities for young people in particular
- Skateboard facilities
- Work linked to other Fife Council/NHS work about health and reducing obesity

Specific issues – Kirkcaldy elected members

The Kirkcaldy elected members group felt that the issue is bigger than simply replacing existing facilities but should be about developing Sport & Leisure more generally. This will require a vision for Central area considering not only swimming but, for example, running tracks, gyms, and other sports and leisure.

Kirkcaldy elected members believe that the area needs an injection of resources. A big investment in sport and leisure in order to meet the needs of the community and attract tourism, such as Perth has done.

The key is not only to keep current users happy, but have facilities which actively encourage and attract new users and more people to participate. Kirkcaldy is a large enough community to deserve more than one facility.

C. Development of Facilities – Biggest issues for improvement

To help understand what are the biggest issues for people about the current facilities, residents, community councils and sports clubs were asked the following questions:

"What is your opinion of how big an issue the following things are in terms of the sports and leisure facilities in your area?" (Residents Q26)

"Thinking of the sports and leisure facilities in your area, please answer for each of the issues I'm going to read out whether you consider them to be a "major issue"; have "Room for improvement" or you are "Satisfied". (Community Councils & Sports Clubs Q32)

The results for each facility are presented below.

C.1 Carnegie Leisure Centre

Residents

Figure 41, on page 81, illustrates that for residents using Carnegie Leisure Centre the biggest issues for improvement are:

- 1. Parking facilities
- 2. Changing facilities
- 3. Cleanliness of facilities
- 4. Facilities for young people
- 5. Catering facilities
- 6. Outdoor facilities / playing fields

Community Councils & Sports Clubs

As shown in Figure 44 on page 82, the biggest issues for improvement at Carnegie Leisure Centre from the perspective of community councils and sports clubs are:

- 1. Changing facilities
- 2. Facilities for young people
- 3. Parking facilities
- 4. Quality of the buildings

C.2 FIPRE

Residents

Figure 42 on page 81, shows that for people using FIPRE, the biggest issues for improvement include:

- 1. Quality of the buildings
- 2. Changing facilities
- 3. Facilities for young people
- 4. Facilities for mothers / crèche
- 5. Swimming facilities
- 6. Overall quality of the facility / centre

Community Councils & Sports Clubs

As shown in Figure 45, on page 82, the biggest issues at FIPRE from the perspective of community councils and sports clubs are:

- 1. Changing facilities
- 2. Quality of the buildings
- 3. Catering facilities
- 4. Cleanliness of facilities

C.3 Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

Residents

Figure 43, on page 81, shows that residents using Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool believe the biggest issues for improvement at the pool include:

- 1. Quality of the buildings
- 2. Changing facilities
- 3. Facilities for young people
- 4. Facilities for mothers / crèche
- 5. Cleanliness of the facilities
- 6. Swimming facilities

Community Councils & Sports Clubs

As shown in Figure 46 on page 82, the biggest issues at Kirkcaldy swimming pool, from the perspective of community councils and sports clubs are:

- 1. Changing facilities
- 2. Overall quality of the centre
- 3. Cleanliness of the facilities
- 4. Quality of the equipment

Figure 41: The evaluation of issues for Carnegie Leisure Centre by residents using the facility

Major Room for know / Satisfied Base Issue improvement never used 5423 24% 20% Base 5% 51% Cleanliness of 345 7% 38% 1% 54% facilities 338 Catering facilities 4% 30% 18% Gym/fitness 339 1% 16% 48% 35% facilities Outdoor facilities / 333 15% 52% playing fields 344 Quality of buildings 5% 28% 5% 61% Quality of 337 1% 17% 25% equipment Sports hall 335 2% 11% 38% facilities Facilities for young 336 8% 24% 17% people 345 Sw imming facilities 4% 27% 3% Changing facilities 343 14% 35% 49% 2% Size of facility 339 4% 27% 66% 3% Enough room/ 3% 336 27% 7% space for all users Disabled access to 336 1% 13% 49% facilities Facilities for 336 3% 10% 50% mothers / creche 338 Parking facilities 15% 27% 24% Overall quality of 343 3% 29% 6% 61% the facility / centre

Figure 42: The evaluation of issues for FIPRE by residents using the facility

	Base	Major Issue	Room for improvement	Satisfied	Dont know / never used
Base	7088	5%	27%	49%	20%
Cleanliness of facilities	446	5%	33%	59%	3%
Catering facilities	450	4%	21%	57%	18%
Gym / fitness facilities	444	2%	23%	44%	31%
Outdoor facilities / playing fields	440	5%	16%	46%	33%
Quality of buildings	443	11%	48%	35%	7%
Quality of equipment	443	2%	31%	50%	17%
Sports hall facilities	443	3%	19%	49%	30%
Facilities for young people	445	9%	23%	49%	20%
Sw imming facilities	449	6%	35%	56%	4%
Changing facilities	448	12%	36%	46%	5%
Size of facility	443	4%	28%	60%	8%
Enough room/ space for all users	440	4%	28%	58%	10%
Disabled access to facilities	439	3%	13%	41%	43%
Facilities for mothers / creche	439	5%	13%	27%	55%
Parking facilities	439	5%	23%	47%	26%
Overall quality of the facility / centre	437	4%	35%	53%	7%

Figure 43: The evaluation of issues for Kirkcaldy Swimming pool by residents using the facility

using the facility									
	Base	Major Issue	Room for improvement	Satisfied	Dont know / never used				
Base	5868	7%	28%	41%	23%				
Cleanliness of facilities	378	11%	39%	49%	1%				
Catering facilities	375	2%	23%	58%	17%				
Gym / fitness facilities	372	1%	19%	38%	41%				
Outdoor facilities / playing fields	361	6%	16%	31%	48%				
Quality of buildings	372	16%	48%	29%	7%				
Quality of equipment	366	2%	39%	39%	20%				
Sports hall facilities	366	4%	16%	30%	50%				
Facilities for young people	369	14%	34%	33%	19%				
Sw imming facilities	377	8%	42%	48%	2%				
Changing facilities	377	22%	37%	38%	3%				
Size of facility	362	5%	30%	59%	6%				
Enough room / space for all users	360	3%	29%	59%	9%				
Disabled access to facilities	360	4%	10%	46%	41%				
Facilities for mothers / creche	360	8%	10%	22%	61%				
Parking facilities	358	6%	23%	38%	33%				
Overall quality of the facility / centre	355	7%	37%	45%	10%				

Figure 44: The evaluation of issues for Carnegie Leisure Centre by community FIPRE by community councils and councils and sports clubs

	Base	Major issue	Room for improvement	Satisfied	Dont know / never used
Base	104	10%	35%	41%	14%
Cleanliness of facilities	7	14%	29%	57%	-
Catering facilities	7	14%	29%	57%	-
Gym / fitness facilities	6	-	17%	67%	17%
Outdoor facilities / playing fields	6	17%	-	33%	50%
Quality of buildings	7	-	71%	14%	14%
Quality of equipment	7	14%	29%	43%	14%
Sports hall facilities	6	-	-	50%	50%
Facilities for young people	6	33%	17%	33%	17%
Sw imming facilities	7	-	57%	43%	-
Changing facilities	7	29%	43%	29%	1
Size of facility	7	-	57%	43%	-
Enough room/ space for users	7	-	57%	43%	-
Disabled access to facilities	6	-	33%	17%	50%
Facilities for mothers / creche	6	-	17%	50%	33%
Parking facilities	6	17%	50%	33%	-
Overall quality of facility / centre	6	17%	33%	50%	-

Figure 45: The evaluation of issues for sports clubs

ports club.					
	Base	Major issue	Room for improvement	Satisfied	Dont know / never used
Base	263	9%	39%	37%	15%
Cleanliness of facilities	17	12%	47%	35%	6%
Catering facilities	17	12%	53%	24%	12%
Gym / fitness facilities	16	-	31%	50%	19%
Outdoor facilities / playing fields	16	6%	25%	38%	31%
Quality of buildings	17	6%	65%	18%	12%
Quality of equipment	17	12%	41%	35%	12%
Sports hall facilities	16	6%	19%	44%	31%
Facilities for young people	16	19%	25%	38%	19%
Sw imming facilities	17	12%	41%	41%	6%
Changing facilities	17	35%	35%	24%	6%
Size of facility	17	6%	41%	47%	6%
Enough room/ space for users	17	-	59%	35%	6%
Disabled access to facilities	16	6%	25%	38%	31%
Facilities for mothers / creche	15	-	27%	33%	40%
Parking facilities	16	-	31%	63%	6%
Overall quality of facility / centre	16	6%	56%	31%	6%

Figure 46: The evaluation of issues for Kirkcaldy Swimming pool by community councils and sports clubs

	Base	Major issue	Room for improvement	Satisfied	Dont know / never used
Base	80	14%	50%	24%	13%
Cleanliness of facilities	5	20%	80%	-	1
Catering facilities	5	20%	40%	20%	20%
Gym / fitness facilities	5	1	40%	40%	20%
Outdoor facilities / playing fields	5	1	20%	20%	60%
Quality of buildings	5	-	100%	-	-
Quality of equipment	5	20%	60%	20%	1
Sports hall facilities	5	-	20%	20%	60%
Facilities for young people	5	40%	20%	40%	-
Sw imming facilities	5	20%	40%	40%	-
Changing facilities	5	60%	40%	-	-
Size of facility	5	20%	40%	40%	-
Enough room/ space for users	5	-	80%	20%	-
Disabled access to facilities	5	-	60%	40%	1
Facilities for mothers / creche	5	-	40%	20%	40%
Parking facilities	5	-	40%	60%	-
Overall quality of facility / centre	5	20%	80%	-	-

D. Development of Facilities – Suggestions for improvement

Residents, community councils and sports clubs were asked the following open-ended question to identify any specific improvements they would like to see in the facilities:

Do you have any suggestions for improving these facilities? (Residents Q27, Community Councils & Sports Clubs Q34)

In addition, during the elected members' focus groups, the FIPRE Management Committee group and the FIPRE Action Group, the participants were asked if they felt there was anything missing from the facility in their area which could be provided.

The results are presented below for each facility:

D.1 Carnegie Leisure Centre

Residents

There were 186 open-ended comments from Dunfermline residents. Their responses have been categorised and the most common categories of responses making up (54% of all comments) are as follows

- 1. Modernise/upgrade and improve the facility (17%, 31 comments)
- 2. Better changing facilities (12%, 22 comments)
- 3. Free or better parking (11%, 21 comments)
- 4. Improve the swimming pool (9%, 17 comments)
- 5. More for young people to do (5%, 9 comments)

Sports clubs/ community councils

There were 9 comments from community councils and sports clubs about suggestions for improvements. 5 of these comments (55%) were about the need to modernise and upgrade facilities with other comments about improving parking; better equipment required and better general upkeep of the centre.

Elected members

The Dunfermline elected members focus group recognised that where services or facilities were not available at Carnegie Leisure Centre (for example a synthetic pitch, 5-aside pitches or a running track) these were available elsewhere in the area.

The elected members believe that the changing facilities at the Leisure Centre could be refurbished to bring them in-line with disability legislation.

D.2 FIPRE

Residents

There were 181 open-ended comments from Glenrothes residents. Their most common responses categories, making up 69% of all comments, are as follows

- 1. Modernise/upgrade and improve FIPRE (36%, 66 comments)
- 2. More facilities at FIPRE (10%, 19 comments)
- 3. Improve the swimming pool (10%, 18 comments)
- 4. Better changing facilities (6%, 11 comments)
- 5. Expand the building (6%, 11 comments)

Sports clubs/ community councils

There were 10 comments from community councils and sports clubs about suggestions for improvements. 4 of these comments (40%) were about the need to modernise and upgrade facilities with other comments about improving facilities (3 comments) and improved resources for upkeep from the council (2 comments).

Elected members, FIPRE Management Committee and FIPRE Action Group

The Glenrothes elected members, FIPRE Management Committee and FIPRE Action Group focus groups identified a number of improvements that could be made to the current FIPRE facility. The consensus was that any development of the facilities should be done to benefit the community, athletes, community groups and sports clubs in the area. The suggested improvements are listed below:

Swimming: All three focus groups suggested that the provision of a 50m pool would be beneficial. This is seen as more flexible than 2, 25m pools as it can be split to suit users needs (2x25m or 3 smaller pools). Currently there are not foundations for a 50m pool but there is a false wall. The swimming programme (currently 1,600 children per week) could be developed if there was more water space. This new pool should have up-to-date design allowing for variable floor height and separation of the pool. Flexibility is the key. It should be noted that a separate controlled pool is also required to continue the good work done with minority and special needs groups.

Indoor facility for strength and conditioning training: In the view of the FIPRE Management Committee this could be a replacement for the running track which is currently not well used and is not fit-for-purpose. It was noted that there is a suitable running track at Pitreave, which is the preferred site for Scottish Athletics. This indoor facility would include a 60m track, long jump pit and a properly equipped, spacious strength and conditioning area with appropriate expertise. It could be used all year round by athletes as it is indoors.

Cycling: Discussion at the FIPRE Management Committee and the FIPRE Action group included the provision of a facility that would allow competitive cyclists to train and would meet the needs of cycling clubs. This facility would include a small track and would help provide a safe off-road environment for cyclists to train. A petition of several thousand cyclists was presented on this issue a few years ago.

Football pitches: The elected members suggested Glenrothes has a large number of football teams who cannot get access to football pitches. It is felt that there should be more football pitch provision at FIPRE and in surrounding areas.

Climbing wall: The provision of a climbing wall would be a useful addition.

Parking: The parking facilities at FIPRE do not meet the requirements of users and need upgrading.

Changing facilities: These are out-of-date and need to be improved. Particularly for disabled users.

Targeted activities: Targeted activities to encourage health and sport for key groups such as young people and young women specifically. Dance and light aerobics presented in a way that is non-threatening and attractive.

Space: More space is required for users in terms of water space, sports hall space and space for a larger fitness / gym suite.

D.3 Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

Residents

There were 144 open-ended comments from Kirkcaldy residents. Their most common responses categories, making up 69% of all comments, are as follows

- 1. Improve the swimming pool (31%, 45 comments)
- 2. Modernise/upgrade and improve the facility (23%, 33 comments)
- 3. Better changing facilities (8%, 11 comments)
- 4. More investment (7%, 10 comments)

Sports clubs/ community councils

There were 11 comments from community councils and sports clubs about suggestions for improvements. 5 of these comments (45%) were about the need to modernise and upgrade facilities with other comments about improving facilities (2 comments) and moving the swimming pool to a new site (2 comments).

Elected Members

The Kirkcaldy Elected Members group identified a number of improvements that could be made to the current Kirkcaldy Swimming pool. The consensus was that any development of the facilities should be done to benefit the community, and that the Council should be clear about what it would be developed for (sport, leisure or both) and that it should be fit for the needs of the community for the next few decades. The suggested improvements are listed below:

Swimming Pool: This needs to be flexible to the needs of a variety of users, old people, learners, disabled etc. The current pool is not felt to be suitable for learners.

Changing Facilities: These are seen as dated, dreary, drab and not very user friendly, particularly for gym users. The showers are poor and they need modernised.

Disabled Access: This is felt to be particularly lacking in the current facility.

Café/Restaurant: This should have a nice view along the waterfront and also be "linked" to the rest of the facility. This means that people should be able to watch the pool from the café.

Family Friendliness: The current pool is not felt to be family friendly. It should be made more fun with music and activities for families.

Daylight: The pool should use more use of natural light, again it was described as "dreary" and "dreach". The windows should be larger and should face the sea.

E. Development of Facilities – Specific development options

To help understand how residents, community councils and sports clubs specifically want the facility in their area developed, the following question was asked:

What, in your opinion, would be the best approach to provide the leisure facilities and activities that meet the needs of your local community? (Residents Q28, Community Councils & Sports Clubs Q35)

The results are shown below. These are presented by each facility.

E.1 Carnegie Leisure Centre

Residents

Figure 47 illustrates that over three quarters of those asked believe that something should be done to develop the leisure centre. Residents preferred option would be to keep the existing Carnegie Leisure Centre but refurbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities.

Figure 47: Residents' views on the best approach to providing leisure facilities at Carnegie Leisure Centre which meet the community needs

	Base	Yes	No
Carnegie: keep the existing centre but re-invest /refurbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities	493	77%	23%
Carnegie: replace the existing current facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site	485	26%	74%
Carnegie: keep the existing centre with the current facilities (do nothing)	481	14%	86%

The focus group discussion with users re-enforced the view that the existing centre should be upgraded / refurbished. The group even suggested an extension particularly to provide more pool space and more sports hall space. Some comments from the group include:

"What they could do is buy over that (building opposite) and put in another swimming pool there and classes and space to allow you to do different things like Yoga and Pilates. They could do loads with it."

The user focus group felt that the refurbishment of Carnegie should be a priority to help make the centre more attractive to young people and work towards social agenda, such as tackling childhood obesity.

[&]quot;I think they should put on an extension and make the pool bigger."

[&]quot;I do think it needs to be expanded and renovated."

"They're trying to make a big issue of child obesity and they're not providing the facilities to exercise and if they can't exercise they're not promoting activity."

"Young people are always very enthusiastic about swimming, but they are disappointed with the facilities here."

Community Councils & Sports Clubs

As shown in Figure 48, 92% of community councils and sports clubs believe that something should be done to develop the current Carnegie Leisure Centre with either the refurbishment or the provision of enhanced facilities on the same site the most popular views.

Figure 48: Community council and sports club views on the best approach to providing leisure facilities at Carnegie Leisure Centre

which meet the community needs

-	Base	Yes	No
Base	46	57%	43%
Carnegie: keep the existing centre but re-invest/refurbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities	20	80%	20%
Carnegie: Replace the current facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site	14	64%	36%
Carnegie Leisure Centre: keep the existing centre with the current facilities	12	8%	92%

Elected members

In the focus group with West area elected members the options for Carnegie Leisure Centre were discussed.

At this meeting there was strong agreement amongst all elected officials that the Carnegie Leisure Centre should remain in its current location and be refurbished.

The elected officials discussed that Carnegie Leisure Centre is in an important central, historical location. The building is well used and highly regarded in the community and it is possible that a refurbished centre could be part of the re-focus on the development of Dunfermline town centre. There would also be huge public opposition to the closure of the centre. In the view of the group there is no logical reason to re-locate or close the centre.

The view of the West area elected officials was that Fife council should keep the existing centre but re-invest / re-furbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities. This is the view of the members of the group and would also be the view of the West Fife Sports Council

The consensus of the group was that the existing facilities and equipment at Carnegie Leisure Centre do need refurbished as they are in quite poor condition (for example the training pool). This includes the pool infrastructure including the boiler plant and the strengthening of the pool itself, i.e. not just the pool but the facilities which help it operate. Major repairs are necessary to the roofing and structure of the premises themselves.

The West area elected officials believe that the required investment is not a significant investment for the benefits that the population of Fife would gain for the re-development of the centre.

E.2 FIPRE

Residents

Figure 49 illustrates that 88% of residents believe that something should be done to develop FIPRE. The most popular approaches are to keep the institute on the current site and re-invest / refurbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities or enhance the facilities on the current site.

Only a small proportion (5%) believe that the facility should be moved to a different location.

Figure 49: Residents' views on the best approach to providing leisure facilities at FIPRE which meet the community needs

	Yes	No
Base	23%	77%
FIPRE: Keep the existing centre but reinvest/refurbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities	69%	31%
FIPRE: Replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site	24%	76%
FIPRE: Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities on the current site	22%	78%
FIPRE: Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities in a different location	5%	95%
FIPRE: Replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities in a different location	5%	95%
FIPRE: Keep the existing centre with the current facilities (do nothing)	12%	88%

It is clear that all those consulted wish to maintain FIPRE at the current site.

However, it is TL Dempster's firm opinion that the data presented in the table above has been influenced by the strong local perception that the Council wish to demolish FIPRE and not replace it.

This is, in our opinion, the reason that a lower proportion of people opted for replacing the existing facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site. People seem to simply not believe that if the facility is demolished that it will be rebuilt at all and therefore would rather keep the existing building.

This conclusion is based on the focus group discussions, comments made to TL Dempster during our back-checking processes, comments made by the FIPRE management committee and the focus group with the FIPRE action group.

In the focus group with users of FIPRE there was general agreement that their preferred option would be to keep the institute on the current site but replace the existing building with enhanced facilities. Comments from the group include:

"This place (FIPRE) definitely needs to be totally upgraded, it needs to be bigger."

"In the 1970's this place was okay but in the 2000's it's not due to the amount of people using it."

"People in this area wouldn't be too concerned about the loss of the old building as long as the new one was built in the same location and provided more space and better facilities."

During TL Dempster's back-checking process, clarification was asked from respondents that if they could guarantee that FIPRE would not be relocated would they want to replace the current facilities with enhanced modern facilities. The overwhelming response was that "yes" they would want this and that the most important issue for them was that FIPRE remain in the current location.

This issue was discussed at the FIPRE Management Committee where the possibility that the local community and community councils have a perception and fear that the current FIPRE site could be sold and the facility moved elsewhere. Discussion at the group underlined that this approach has not been discussed at any formal groups of Fife Council and there is no actual evidence that this is the position of Fife Council. But the perception does seem to exist.

This issue was also discussed at the FIPRE Action Group. At this group it was suggested that they would not be opposed to replacement of the building on the current site with like-for-like or enhanced facilities, however, the group fears that the council would simply knock down the building and sell the ground.

Community Councils & Sports Clubs

As shown in Figure 50, 93% of community councils and sports clubs interviewed believe that something should be done to develop the current facility with the most popular approaches being replacing the

existing facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site or refurbishing the existing facilities with more up-to-date facilities on the current site.

Only a small proportion of community councils and sports clubs interviewed would like to see the facility moved to a different location.

Figure 50: Community council and sports club views on the best approach to providing leisure facilities at FIPRE which meet the

community needs

community needs			
	Base	Yes	No
Base	170	32%	68%
FIPRE: Replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site	29	66%	34%
FIPRE: Keep the existing centre but re-invest/refurbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities	30	63%	37%
FIPRE: Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities on the current site	27	22%	78%
FIPRE: Replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities in a different location	29	17%	83%
FIPRE: Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities in a different location	27	11%	89%
FIPRE: Keep the existing centre but with the current facilities	28	7%	93%

Elected Members

Amongst elected members from Glenrothes and the surrounding area the strong consensus was that FIPRE should be refurbished and upgraded on the current site.

The group discussed that the Institute generates a great deal of passion in the community and therefore it is important that it is maintained.

There was <u>all party unanimous agreement</u> at the group that the Council should "Replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site." 9 of the 12 elected members present agreed that FIPRE has to be <u>enhanced and re-built on the current site</u>. Whilst other sites may appear appealing nowhere would be ideal and if the facility is of a high enough standard and catering for users needs people will travel to it (if they have the public transport links developed too).

The view is that this is a key issue and that the Council can, if it wants to, find the funding for this. There should be a true commitment shown as soon as possible to the current site.

There should be a detailed replacement / upgrade and improvement of the current facilities to meet the demands both current and future of the institute's users and potential users. This development should have the imagination to meet the future needs of the area. The council should investigate the possibilities by looking at other countries, and council areas to see what they have. For example looking at other local authorities such as Perth, Aberdeen, Glasgow or Edinburgh or at other countries such as Holland or Scandinavian countries for best practice.

The overall view of the elected members at the group (although not unanimous) is that FIPRE is in the best location to meet the needs of Glenrothes and the surrounding communities and it is well used by many local groups and sports clubs.

The elected members also suggested that the re-developed FIPRE should have better transport links including more car parking and better public transportation. This upgrading should be linked to the current re-development of Glenrothes.

This view was also supported in correspondence from Christine May, constituency MSP for Central Fife, who suggests that the Council should:

"Examine the potential to improve transport link between Glenrothes town centre and Stenton."

FIPRE Management Committee

The consensus at the FIPRE Management Committee focus group is that the institute should be refurbished and upgraded on the current site.

The view of the committee is that strategically FIPRE is in the best location to meet the needs of Glenrothes and the surrounding communities and it is well used by many local groups and sports clubs.

The current site matches the needs and aspirations of the community and this could be enhanced with the provision of improved cycling, swimming and conditioning facilities (indoor). There should be a detailed replacement / upgrade and improvement of the current facilities to meet the demands both current and future of the institute's users and potential users.

The committee also suggested that the philosophy / culture employed by FIPRE should continue to help develop opportunities and support clubs and individuals of all levels and abilities to move forward in partnership.

FIPRE Action Group

The FIPRE Action group firmly believe that FIPRE should be refurbished on the current site

The FIPRE Action Group believes that there should be investment in current building structure rather than replacement of the building. They would not be opposed to replacement of the building on the current site with like-for-like or enhanced facilities; however the group fears that the council would simply knock down the building and sell the ground.

The group's preferred option would be to replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site if the council guaranteed the replacement and enhancement.

The action group mistrusts the intentions of the council to replace the building and therefore they suggest that the existing centre should be kept but re-invest / re-furbished to provide more up-to-date facilities.

E.3 Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

Residents

Figure 51, illustrates that 92% of respondents believe that something should be done to develop the Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool.

The most popular option would be to maintain the existing centre but re-invest / re-furbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities. The second most popular option (35% below the preferred option) is to replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities, to include dry-side facilities.

Figure 51: Residents' views on the best approach to providing leisure facilities at Kirkcaldy swimming pool which meet the community needs

	Base	Yes	No
Kirkcaldy: keep the existing centre but reinvest/refurbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities	472	66%	34%
Kirkcaldy: replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site	472	31%	69%
Kirkcaldy: Replace the existing facilities with new like for like facilities on the current site	469	26%	74%
Kirkcaldy: Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities in a different location	471	13%	87%
Kirkcaldy: keep the existing centre with the current facilities (do nothing)	474	8%	92%

As with the Glenrothes user focus group it became apparent that there exists a mistrust of the council's motives for wishing to replace the swimming pool which seems to have influenced responses to the survey, both in terms of the options for refurbishment and replacement and possibly the preferred location. One focus group member explained:

"If they knock it down it'll never be rebuilt. They'd stick another car park in or we'd get more shops or houses."

Another reason the focus group suggested refurbishment rather than replacement is the cost:

"If they could afford a new one it would be great for Kirkcaldy but It'll cost too much to knock down; we'd just be better refurbishing it."

A third reason that users suggested refurbishment rather than replacement is the amount of time the rebuild would take. Users were

worried they would be without any swimming facilities for some time before the rebuilt pool was ready:

"Refurbish it: To knock it down and rebuild it would take a long time, minimum of five years. That would be a long time to be without it"

The critical issue for residents is that a leisure facility remains in Kirkcaldy that is easy to get to and that the existing provision is maintained during any re-development.

Community Councils & Sports Clubs

As shown in Figure 52, <u>all</u> of community councils and sports clubs believe that something should be done to develop the current Kirkcaldy swimming pool with the most popular view that the existing facility should be kept and investment made to provide more up-to-date facilities.

Figure 52: Community council and sports club views on the best approach to providing leisure facilities at Kirkcaldy swimming pool

which meet the community needs

	Base	Yes	No
Base	63	32%	68%
Kirkcaldy: Keep the existing centre but re-invest to provide more up-to-date facilities	13	69%	31%
Kirkcaldy: Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-ike facilities on the current site	12	33%	67%
Kirkcaldy: Replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site to include dry-side facilities	13	31%	69%
Kirkcaldy: Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities in a different location	13	23%	77%
Kirkcaldy: Keep the exisiting centre w ith the current facilities	12	-	100%

Elected members

The elected members from Kirkcaldy and the surrounding areas suggested that due to the state of the current facilities the pool should be replaced with enhanced facilities to include dry side facilities. There was no general consensus about the future development, however, of the possible options this would be the preferred approach. The newly developed facility should be modern and of high quality and meet the community's needs. It is currently perceived to be drab.

There was a more varied discussion about whether it should be replaced in the current location. It was discussed that the current location whilst not ideal, is central to the shops and other town amenities and therefore was suitable, however for some elderly users it was felt to be quite a walk to get to it from the bus station. This view would <u>not</u> appear to be supported by elderly users themselves where the location is seen to be a key strength.

The option of two pools was discussed by the Kirkcaldy elected members. One smaller family / leisure pool with a gym and café etc. on the current site, and another larger sports centre in another location with much more varied facilities including football, bowling, gym/fitness and facilities for athletes to train.

The group's overall preferred option is for Kirkcaldy to have 2 facilities. One in the current or central location, refurbished to be similar to the Leven pool with a training pool or like Perth Pool, and another pool part of a sports campus at Kingslaw or another location with good transport links.

This sports campus would have international standard facilities / equipment, would attract tourists, would have links with Raith Rovers football club, would have a cinema, shops and ice-skating / curling. It would be a sport and leisure complex in the truest sense of the word. Several group members felt this was an opportunity that should not be missed to really develop sports, health, fitness and leisure in Kirkcaldy. There was a discussion that this could be funded by a public/ private funding partnership.

The group were firmly of the opinion that whatever is developed should link closely to the Kirkcaldy & Fife master plan in terms of the development of the whole of Kirkcaldy (i.e. it should link to non-sport and leisure developments).

The decision should not be taken in isolation and consideration should be given to costs, access, the overall development of Kirkcaldy, the purpose of the facility (swimming alone, sports centre, leisure pool etc). The redevelopment shouldn't happen in isolation and there should be revenue evaluations / considerations.

The elected members also believe that, whatever the redevelopment, consideration should be given to the upkeep and maintenance of the new facility as this has been an issue at Kirkcaldy swimming pool.

6.Engagement

This section looks at how engaged community councils and sports clubs in Dunfermline, Glenrothes and Kirkcaldy feel involved in decision making about sport and leisure and how they would like to be engaged. The purpose of this section of the report is to inform the council of how to develop its engagement with community groups.

A. Engagement

Community councils and sports clubs were asked a series of questions about how involved they felt in decisions made about sport and leisure in their area. The results are shown in Figure 53.

It is clear from the survey results that neither community councils nor sports clubs feel engaged by Fife Council in decisions made about sport and leisure. The results suggest that these groups feel that:

- They <u>do not</u> have an influence over decisions about leisure and sport in your area.
- They <u>are not happy</u> with the level of input they have into decisions about leisure and sport in their area.
- The groups believe that Fife Council <u>does not communicate</u> <u>effectively</u> about decisions about leisure and sport in their area.
- That their organisation <u>does not receive enough information</u> about decisions about leisure and sport in their area.
- Just under half of these groups do not know where to find information about leisure and sport developments in their area.
- That these groups do not find the council's webpages useful for accessing information about decisions about leisure and sport in their area.
- That their organisation is not involved in decisions affecting the development and operation of sport and leisure in the community.

Despite not feeling that they are engaged or receive enough information, the survey of community councils and sports clubs strongly suggests that:

- These groups do want to take a more active role in decisions about the development of leisure and sport in their area.
- Their group <u>should be involved in decisions</u> affecting the development and operation of sport and leisure in their community.

These results are consistent across both area and organisation type. It is clear that sports clubs and community councils do not currently feel engaged with about sport and leisure in their area.

Figure 53: Community Council and Sports Club agreement with a number of statements about their engagement with decisions about

sport and leisure in their area

sport and leisure in their area					
	Base	Yes	No	Don't know	Not relevant to my organisation
Base	530	40%	53%	6%	2%
Do you feel that your sports club / community council has an influence over decisions about leisure & sport in yo	59	17%	76%	7%	-
Do you feel that your sports cub / community council is involved in decisions affecting the development and ope	59	15%	83%	2%	-
Are you happy with the level of input your sports club / community council has into decisions about leisure & s	59	17%	76%	3%	3%
Does Fife Council communicate decisions about leisure & sport in your area effectively to your sports club / com	59	19%	78%	2%	2%
Do you feel that your sports club / community council receives enough information about decisions about leisure	59	22%	76%	-	2%
Do you find the council's webpage's useful for accessing information about decisions about leisure & sport in yo	59	31%	42%	24%	3%
Does your sports club / community council know where to find information about leisure & sport developments i	59	58%	31%	8%	3%
Do you feel that your sports club / community council should be involved in decisions affecting the development	59	90%	7%	2%	2%
Do you want your sports club / community council to take a more active role in decisions about the development	58	91%	3%	3%	2%

B. Getting involved and receiving information

To determine how Fife Council should best engage with community councils and sports clubs two questions were asked to determine how these groups would like to be involved and also how they would like to receive feedback about developments in their area. The results are shown in Figure 54 & Figure 55, on the next page.

The three preferred ways community councils and sports clubs would like to get involved include:

- Attending committee meetings
- Attending workshops
- Attending public meetings

The three preferred methods of feedback about sport and leisure decisions are:

- Receiving a letter
- Receiving a report
- · Receiving a newsletter

Community councils and sports clubs were also asked an openended question about ways they would improve the way the council engages with them. In all, there were 23 responses to this question. These responses can be categorised and fit into three broad categories:

- 1. Improved communication
- 2. Involvement in meetings
- 3. Improved liaison and feedback

Some of the comments given within each of these broad categories are given below:

1. Improved communication

"There should be more communication between the council and groups like ours"

"There should be more engagement, the council need to listen"

"Clear lines of communication need sports liaison officer"

2. Involvement in meetings

"There should be 1 Rep from each local community council on each working group"

"The council needs to send representatives to local meetings"

3. Improved liaison and feedback

"More detailed information about how decisions are made. Explain the reasons for decisions"

"Give community councils and sports clubs a liaison officer"

Figure 54: How community councils and sports clubs would like to be involved in decisions about sport and leisure

	Base	Area committee meetings	Workshops	Public meetings	Exhibitions of planned developments	Notices in local public places	Other	Postal quest- ionnaires	Not preference, just want to be involved	Internet que- stionnaires	Telephone surveys
Base	39	62%	54%	46%	44%	28%	26%	23%	18%	15%	15%
Community Council	22	64%	59%	45%	45%	27%	32%	23%	5%	14%	23%
Sports Club	13	62%	46%	46%	38%	31%	23%	23%	31%	15%	-
Other	4	50%	50%	50%	50%	25%	-	25%	50%	25%	25%

Figure 55: How community councils and sports clubs would like to receive feedback about sport and leisure decisions made in their area

	Base	Receive letter	Receive report	Receive new sletter	Visit council w ebsite	Notices in local public places	No preference just w ant to be informed	Attend public meeting	Receive email	Attend w orkshop	Other	Not interested in feedback
Base	44	57%	48%	41%	23%	20%	20%	18%	18%	14%	14%	2%
Community Council	24	58%	54%	38%	29%	21%	13%	21%	29%	13%	17%	4%
Sports Club	15	60%	33%	53%	7%	20%	20%	13%	-	13%	13%	-
Other	5	40%	60%	20%	40%	20%	60%	20%	20%	20%	-	-

7. National Sporting Bodies

This section looks at how National Sporting Bodies perceive the sporting facilities in Fife and the key issues for them in terms of support the council can offer their sport. The purpose of this section of the report is to inform the council of how to develop its engagement and support for National sporting bodies

The organisations contacted as part of this consultation were identified by Fife council and included:

Badminton Scotland	Scottish Football Association
Basketball Scotland	Scottish Gymnastics
Cricket Scotland	Scottish Rugby Union
Cycling Scotland	Scottish Squash
Judo Scotland	Scottish Swimming
Royal Caledonian Curling Club	Tayside & Fife Institute of Sport
Scottish Athletics Ltd,	Tennis Scotland
Scottish Disability Sport	The Scottish Hockey Union
	Limited

The National Sporting Bodies consulted were in agreement that Fife Council is one of the most helpful and supportive councils in Scotland with some excellent work, such as that with disabled athletes and in schools, done by clubs, volunteers, facilities (particularly FIPRE) and sports development with limited resources. However there was also agreement that that due to consistent under-investment there are a lack of high quality facilities coupled with an apparent lack of strategic co-ordination of sports development meaning that Fife is currently not fulfilling its true potential in sport and sport provision/development. The bodies did acknowledge that Fife council have appointed new staff to look at sports development co-ordination.

During the consultations with National Sporting Bodies a number of key themes emerged. These are listed below:

- 1. Facilities
- 2. Specific Gaps in facility provision
- 3. Access issues
- 4. Sports Development

1 Facilities

There is general agreement amongst the National Sporting Bodies that the existing facilities in Fife are reasonable but are out-dated, run-down and have suffered from a lack of investment and a scheduled programme of repair and replacement. These conclusions are in line with the results of this study reported earlier. All of the

National Sporting Bodies agree that Fife should be investing in sport and re-developing its facilities to be modern, high-quality and of international standards.

The National Sporting Bodies feel it is important that in refurbishing or redeveloping facilities that the council consult with local sports clubs, National Sporting Bodies themselves and other stakeholders about the actual design of the facilities.

2 Specific gaps in facilities

During the consultations a number of specific facilities were suggested as being missing from the current provision. These are listed below. A couple of these (50m pool and indoor strength and conditioning) had also been mentioned in the resident, sports club, community council and elected member research:

- 50m swimming pool
- Outdoor synthetic pitches (football, hockey and rugby)
- Floodlit outdoor facilities
- Indoor facilities (see below)

In terms of indoor facilities National Sporting Bodies wanted more space and better facilities as well as new or improved specific types of indoor facilities. These included:

- Generally more sports hall provision (Badminton, squash, gymnastics, tennis, judo)
- Indoor strength and conditioning, as mentioned on page 84 (Athletics, rugby, cycling, gymnastics, tennis, swimming, football)
- Tailored indoor sport specific facilities (Gymnastics, athletics, hockey, cycling, tennis, curling)

3 Access

National Sporting Bodies view access to current facilities a problem due to a number of factors including:

- · Lack of space in facilities
- Lack of flexible space in facilities
- Lack of suitable times to access facilities
- Cost of facilities

These issues are viewed to be partly due to the size of facilities, the lack of suitability/flexibility of the space within current facilities and the sheer number of people and popularity of sport participation in Fife. National Sporting Bodies felt that some of this pressure could be relieved by expanding the use of community use schools at nights and weekends at a local level as well as the redevelopment and up-

dating of major sports facilities. The bodies also felt that the council should be considering sport in a more structured, strategic manner taking account of the needs of various types of facility user.

4 Sports Development

Sports development is a key issue for all the National Sporting Bodies consulted. Many of the bodies reported increases in participation (gymnastics, rugby, swimming, cycling, judo etc) particularly amongst young people but felt the council should take a more pro-active role in sports development. The bodies felt that good work was being done in this area but that the current sports development team was under-resourced.

National Sporting Bodies feel that Fife Council should continue to look at sport and sports development in a co-ordinated, strategic manner in partnership with stakeholders such as Sport Scotland, Sport and Tayside Fife, National Sporting Bodies, local sports clubs, Disability Scotland, and the Tayside and Fife Institute of Sport.

A critical element for development is the increased resourcing of the sports development team at Fife Council. Several of the bodies interviewed suggested that the team should be better resourced in terms of staff, staff time and financial resources to promote sport. In addition, eleven of the bodies consulted with believe that the council should support sport specific development officers for their sports including:

- Athletics
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Curling
- Cycling
- Disability

- Gymnastics
- Judo
- Rugby
- Swimming
- Tennis

It is recognised that there are new opportunities to drive this agenda forward through the recently established sport partnership – Sport Tayside Fife – which will focus on the regional development of eight key sports.

I.Appendix 1: Data accuracy

The respondents to a survey are only a sample of the total 'population'. We cannot therefore be certain that the survey results are exactly those we would have if everybody in the population had been interviewed (the 'true' values).

However, it is possible to predict the range of error between the sample results and the 'true' values from a knowledge of the size of the samples on which the results are based and the strength of a particular response.

The confidence with which we can make this prediction is typically, in market research, chosen to be 95% - that is, the chances are 19 in 20 that the 'true' value will fall within a specified range. The table below illustrates the predicted ranges for different sample sizes and percentages results at the '95% confidence interval', based on a random sample.

Size of sample on which survey result is based	Approximate range of error applicable to percentages at or near these levels							
	10% or 90%	30% or 70%	50%					
	+	+	+					
25 respondents	11.8	18	19.6					
50 respondents	8.3	12.7	13.9					
100 respondents	5.9	9.0	9.8					
200 respondents	4.2	6.4	6.9					
300 respondents	3.4	5.2	5.7					
500 respondents	2.6	4.0	4.4					
1,000 respondents	1.9	2.8	3.1					
1,500 respondents	1.5	2.3	2.5					

For example, on a question where 50% of the people in a sample of 500 respond with a particular answer, the chances are that in 19 out of 20 cases this result would not vary by more than 4.4 percentage points, plus or minus from a complete coverage of the entire population using the same procedures. However, while it is true to conclude that the "actual" result (95 times out of 100) lies anywhere between 45.6% and 54.4%, it is proportionately more likely to be closer to the centre of this band (i.e. at 50%).

J. Appendix 2: Data tables

Figure 56: Perceived levels of physical activity (Residents)

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	Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy	User of Carnegie Leisure Centre	User of FIPRE	User of Kirkcaldy Sw imming Pool	Non-user Dunfermline		Non-user Kirkcaldy		Young people (under 24)	Male	Female	Employed	Not in w ork	Retired	Disabled	Not disabled	User of any Facilities	Non- user of facilities
Base	1502	500	500	500	355	457	388	206	170	193	1192	560	688	813	607	614	236	154	1300	966	528
High	24%	20%	25%	26%	31%	37%	35%	9%	8%	13%	19%	36%	30%	19%	21%	28%	15%	14%	25%	32%	9%
Medium	43%	41%	44%	45%	47%	49%	50%	32%	29%	35%	43%	43%	40%	46%	44%	44%	42%	35%	44%	50%	31%
Low	33%	38%	31%	29%	23%	14%	15%	57%	62%	52%	38%	22%	30%	36%	34%	29%	43%	49%	31%	18%	59%
Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%

Figure 57: Participation in sport and leisure in the last four weeks and in the last year (Residents)

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		Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy	User of Carnegie Leisure Centre	User of FIPRE	User of Kirkcaldy Sw imming Pool	Non-user Dunfermline	Non-user Glenrothes	Non-user Kirkcaldy	Adults (16+)	Young people (under 24)	Male	Female	Employed	Not in w ork	Retired	Disabled	Not disabled	User of any Facilities	Non- user of facilities
	Base	1479	489	497	491	352	455	386	198	168	186	1169	558	673	805	604	602	230	146	1288	960	512
	Sports Participation (all sports last year)	84%	85%	79%	88%	99%	96%	99%	63%	46%	68%	81%	92%	84%	83%	85%	86%	73%	66%	85%	98%	57%
	Sports Participation (selected sports last year)	78%	80%	76%	79%	99%	95%	97%	52%	42%	49%	74%	90%	79%	78%	80%	83%	60%	60%	80%	97%	44%
Level of Participation	No Sports Participation (last year)	19%	16%	24%	18%	3%	7%	6%	38%	55%	37%	22%	11%	18%	20%	17%	18%	31%	36%	18%	5%	45%
in last year	Sports Participation (all sports last 4 w eeks)	79%	79%	77%	82%	94%	95%	96%	57%	44%	59%	76%	88%	79%	79%	80%	83%	67%	59%	81%	94%	51%
	Sports Participation (selected sports last 4 w eeks)	72%	72%	74%	70%	92%	92%	91%	41%	39%	39%	67%	85%	73%	71%	72%	78%	54%	52%	74%	91%	36%
	No Sports Participation (last 4 w eeks)	19%	20%	22%	16%	5%	4%	3%	43%	54%	38%	22%	11%	19%	20%	18%	16%	33%	40%	17%	5%	47%

Figure 58: Participation in specific sports (Residents)

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	Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy	User of Carnegie Leisure Centre	User of FIPRE	User of Kirkcaldy Sw imming Pool	Non-user Dunfermline	Non-user Glenrothes	Non-user Kirkcaldy	Adults (16+)	Young people (under 24)	Male	Female	Employed	Not in w ork	Retired	Disabled	Not disabled	User of any Facilities	Non- user of facilities
Base	1478	488	497	491	352	455	386	197	168	186	1168	558	673	804	604	602	229	146	1287	960	511
Sw imming	55%	55%	53%	56%	76%	72%	81%	23%	15%	15%	49%	68%	49%	59%	53%	62%	36%	42%	56%	76%	15%
Walking (2+ miles)	35%	40%	24%	42%	38%	33%	45%	39%	19%	34%	38%	29%	32%	38%	38%	31%	39%	35%	36%	38%	30%
Football	21%	17%	20%	26%	25%	30%	31%	9%	9%	16%	14%	39%	38%	7%	18%	31%	2%	6%	22%	27%	11%
None / no sport or leisure participation	19%	16%	24%	18%	3%	7%	6%	39%	55%	37%	22%	11%	18%	20%	17%	18%	31%	36%	18%	5%	45%
Cycling	17%	18%	15%	17%	23%	22%	25%	10%	8%	6%	14%	24%	19%	14%	17%	21%	7%	13%	17%	22%	6%
Running / jogging	13%	15%	11%	12%	19%	16%	20%	10%	3%	4%	10%	20%	15%	10%	15%	15%	1%	4%	14%	16%	5%
Keep fit / aerobics	12%	13%	13%	11%	14%	17%	15%	9%	5%	5%	14%	9%	6%	18%	15%	11%	10%	11%	12%	16%	6%
Multigym / w eight training	12%	13%	14%	10%	18%	17%	14%	5%	4%	2%	14%	12%	15%	10%	17%	9%	6%	9%	13%	17%	3%
Dance	12%	13%	10%	12%	14%	13%	15%	13%	7%	7%	10%	17%	6%	17%	11%	15%	7%	8%	12%	13%	8%
Badminton	11%	10%	14%	9%	16%	19%	14%	5%	6%	3%	8%	19%	11%	11%	8%	18%	3%	5%	12%	15%	3%
Golf	10%	10%	11%	10%	13%	14%	12%	6%	8%	9%	8%	14%	18%	3%	10%	12%	6%	3%	11%	12%	7%
Snooker / billiards / pool	9%	9%	7%	10%	10%	12%	11%	7%	2%	10%	9%	11%	16%	3%	9%	10%	2%	5%	9%	10%	6%
Basketball / netball / volleyball	9%	8%	8%	9%	11%	13%	14%	4%	4%	4%	5%	18%	10%	8%	5%	14%	3%	4%	9%	11%	3%
Hillw alking / climbing	8%	10%	9%	6%	11%	10%	9%	11%	5%	2%	8%	9%	9%	7%	8%	9%	6%	5%	8%	9%	6%
Athletics	7%	7%	8%	8%	11%	11%	13%	2%	4%	4%	5%	15%	8%	7%	5%	11%	3%	4%	8%	10%	2%
Tenpin bow ling	6%	9%	5%	6%	10%	9%	8%	6%	2%	4%	5%	9%	8%	6%	7%	7%	2%	3%	7%	9%	3%
Fishing / angling	6%	9%	5%	6%	11%	8%	7%	6%	1%	4%	6%	7%	10%	3%	7%	8%	2%	3%	7%	8%	4%
Gymnastics	6%	5%	6%	8%	8%	9%	9%	4%	1%	5%	3%	13%	5%	8%	4%	10%	1%	5%	6%	8%	3%
Tennis	6%	6%	8%	4%	9%	10%	8%	2%	4%	2%	4%	10%	7%	5%	4%	8%	2%	3%	6%	8%	2%
Other lce skating /	5%	4%	7%	5%	6%	9%	6%	2%	2%	4%	4%	8%	5%	5%	5%	6%	4%	8%	5%	7%	2%
hockey	5%	2%	5%	8%	3%	7%	10%	1%	2%	4%	3%	10%	4%	5%	3%	7%	1%	2%	5%	7%	2%
Table tennis	5%	5%	6%	3%	6%	9%	6%	2%	1%	2%	3%	8%	4%	5%	4%	7%	2%	3%	5%	7%	1%
Yoga	5%	6%	4%	4%	7%	5%	6%	6%	2%	3%	5%	4%	2%	7%	5%	4%	4%	-	5%	5%	4%
Martial Arts	4%	5%	3%	5%	8%	4%	8%	1%	1%	4%	4%	6%	5%	3%	4%	5%	2%	3%	4%	6%	1%
Bowls	4%	3%	3%	5%	4%	4%	4%	3%	2%	1%	4%	4%	5%	3%	3%	4%	7%	6%	4%	4%	3%
Rugby	4%	5% 4%	4%	3%	7%	7% 6%	5%	2% 1%	1%	1%	3%	6%	7% 4%	4%	2%	6% 4%	1%	2%	5% 4%	6%	1%
Squash	3%	4%	3%	3%	7%	6%	4%	3%	1%	1%	1%	7%	4%	3%	2%	6%	0%	2%	3%	4%	2%
Horse riding	3%	2%	2%	4%	3%	3%	5%	1%	1%	2%	2%	4%	1%	4%	2%	4%	0%	1%	3%	3%	1%
Skiing /	2%	3%	2%	1%	4%	3%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	3%	0%	1%	2%	3%	1%
snow boarding Cricket	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%	3%	3%	176	176	2%	1%	4%	3%	1%	1%	3%	0%	1%	2%	3%	0%
Curling	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	2%	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%	0%
Judo	1%	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%	1%	-	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%	-	2%	2%	0%
Sailing	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%		1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	0%
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Figure 59: Proportion of respondents receiving coaching or tuition by sport participated in the last year

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	E	Base	None / no sport or leisure participation	Athletics	Badminton	Basketball / netball / volleyball	Bowls	Cricket	Curling	Cycling		Fishing / angling	Football	Golf	Gymnastics	Hillw alking / climbing	Hockey	Hulling	lce skating / hockey	Judo	Keep fit / aerobics	Martial Arts	Multigym / w eight training	Rugby	Running / jogging	Sailing	Skiing / snow boarding	Snooker / billiards / pool	Squash	Sw imming	Table tennis	Tennis	Tenpin bow ling	Walking (2+ miles)	Yoga	Other
В	Base '	1188	-	110	161	125	59	25	21	244	173	95	307	147	90	117	49	39	71	21	181	59	180	57	182	15	29	125	55	783	69	83	93	492	64	75
Yes	8	28%	-	58%	45%	50%	25%	88%	48%	35%	40%	35%	42%	45%	48%	43%	73%	51%	37%	71%	39%	46%	42%	68%	41%	47%	48%	32%	44%	30%	52%	52%	43%	28%	31%	32%
No		72%	-	42%	55%	50%	73%	12%	52%	65%	59%	65%	57%	55%	51%	56%	27%	49%	62%	24%	60%	53%	58%	32%	58%	53%	52%	67%	56%	70%	46%	48%	57%	71%	69%	67%
Not		1%	-	-	-	1%	2%	-	-	-	1%	-	0%	-	1%	1%	-	-	1%	5%	1%	2%	1%	-	1%	-	-	1%	-	1%	1%	-	-	1%	-	1%

Figure 60: Proportion of respondents receiving coaching or tuition (Residents)

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		Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy	User of Carnegie Leisure Centre	User of FIPRE	User of Kirkcaldy Sw imming Pool	Non-user Dunfermline	Non-user Glenrothes		Adults (16+)	Young people (under 24)	Male	Female	Employed	Not in w ork	Retired	Disabled	Not disabled	User of any Facilities	Non- user of facilities
E	Base	1195	408	380	406	344	424	361	121	75	120	910	498	553	641	500	498	157	93	1058	909	281
Ye	S	28%	30%	29%	24%	35%	34%	28%	21%	17%	13%	22%	39%	29%	27%	24%	34%	18%	19%	28%	31%	16%
No		72%	70%	71%	76%	65%	66%	71%	79%	80%	86%	78%	60%	71%	73%	76%	65%	81%	81%	72%	68%	83%
No:		1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	-	3%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	-	1%	0%	1%

Figure 61: Proportion of respondents participating in organised competition in the last year

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									Dem	ographic	s								
	Base	Kirkcaldy	User of Carnegie Leisure Centre	User of FIPRE	User of Kirkcaldy Sw imming Pool	Non-user Dunfermline	Non-user Glenrothes	Non-user Kirkcaldy	Adults (16+)	Young people (under 24)		Female	Employed	Not in w ork	Retired	Disabled	Not disabled	User of any Facilities	Non- user of facilities
Base	1282	444	352	447	383	126	99	141	983	523	586	695	531	538	173	105	1133	951	326
Yes	21%	24%	25%	31%	30%	13%	13%	15%	16%	33%	31%	13%	20%	27%	9%	14%	22%	24%	13%
No	78%	76%	75%	69%	70%	87%	87%	85%	84%	66%	69%	86%	80%	73%	90%	86%	78%	75%	87%
Not sure	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	-	-	0%	0%	0%	0%	-	0%	1%	-	0%	0%	0%

Figure 62: Interest in participation in sports not already participated in (Residents)

		(RE	side	nis)																	
	Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy	User of Carnegie Leisure Centre	User of FIPRE	User of Kirkcaldy Sw imming Pool	Non-user Dunfermline	Non-user Glenrothes	Non-user Kirkcaldy	Adults (16+)	Young people (under 24)	Male	Female	Employed	Not in w ork	Retired	Disabled	Not disabled	User of any Facilities	Non- user of facilities
Base	742	268	249	223	215	258	212	89	61	71	542	325	320	421	304	346	66	70	644	539	199
Sw imming	12%	11%	11%	16%	7%	11%	8%	20%	10%	28%	14%	10%	9%	15%	13%	12%	18%	10%	12%	9%	22%
Horse riding	10%	8%	12%	11%	11%	14%	14%	7%	5%	10%	8%	14%	6%	13%	8%	12%	2%	7%	11%	11%	8%
Ice skating / hockey	10%	8%	14%	9%	11%	15%	12%	4%	5%	13%	8%	14%	8%	12%	8%	14%	5%	4%	11%	12%	7%
Keep fit / aerobics	10%	11%	10%	9%	7%	11%	9%	16%	8%	10%	12%	6%	5%	14%	11%	8%	18%	13%	10%	10%	12%
Other	10%	10%	10%	11%	11%	11%	10%	13%	3%	13%	10%	14%	12%	9%	11%	11%	6%	6%	11%	10%	10%
Dance	10%	10%	8%	10%	10%	9%	10%	13%	3%	13%	10%	10%	2%	15%	9%	10%	15%	10%	9%	9%	10%
Skiing / snow boarding	9%	10%	11%	6%	9%	11%	8%	11%	5%	3%	7%	12%	12%	7%	9%	10%	5%	1%	10%	10%	7%
Badminton	9%	9%	9%	9%	9%	10%	8%	10%	7%	4%	10%	5%	8%	10%	13%	7%	6%	7%	9%	9%	8%
Yoga	9%	13%	7%	6%	12%	9%	7%	13%	7%	6%	11%	6%	4%	13%	12%	6%	12%	10%	9%	9%	9%
Martial Arts	8%	7%	8%	10%	7%	10%	11%	7%	7%	7%	9%	9%	11%	7%	11%	8%	-	4%	9%	9%	7%
Multigym / w eight training	8%	9%	7%	7%	8%	9%	6%	8%	3%	6%	9%	4%	10%	5%	10%	7%	3%	7%	8%	8%	6%
Tennis	7%	7%	9%	5%	8%	9%	8%	4%	7%	1%	6%	8%	8%	7%	7%	8%	5%	4%	8%	8%	4%
Golf	7%	5%	6%	10%	6%	9%	11%	7%	3%	4%	6%	9%	10%	5%	7%	7%	5%	9%	7%	8%	5%
Tenpin bow ling	7%	4%	7%	10%	6%	9%	11%	4%	5%	7%	6%	9%	6%	8%	7%	7%	6%	4%	7%	7%	6%
Cycling	7%	7%	6%	5%	7%	8%	5%	8%	2%	7%	7%	7%	6%	7%	8%	5%	3%	7%	7%	7%	7%
Gymnastics	6%	4%	6%	8%	7%	8%	9%	1%	2%	8%	4%	11%	3%	9%	4%	8%	5%	7%	6%	7%	5%
Walking (2+ miles)	5%	7%	4%	5%	7%	3%	2%	8%	7%	10%	7%	2%	6%	5%	6%	4%	11%	16%	4%	4%	9%
Hillw alking / climbing	5%	9%	3%	4%	9%	4%	4%	6%	3%	6%	6%	3%	8%	3%	6%	5%	5%	4%	5%	6%	4%
Football	5%	4%	6%	4%	6%	5%	5%	1%	8%	4%	3%	7%	8%	3%	3%	8%	-	7%	5%	5%	4%
Sailing	5%	6%	6%	2%	9%	6%	6%	3%	5%	-	5%	5%	8%	3%	6%	4%	5%	6%	5%	6%	2%
Basketball / netball / volleyball	5%	4%	4%	5%	7%	5%	4%	-	2%	6%	4%	6%	5%	4%	5%	5%	2%	4%	5%	6%	2%
Athletics	4%	3%	6%	4%	6%	7%	8%	2%	-	-	3%	8%	6%	4%	2%	7%	-	3%	5%	6%	1%
Bowls	4%	4%	5%	5%	5%	3%	5%	3%	8%	6%	5%	3%	5%	4%	4%	3%	14%	10%	4%	4%	6%
Fishing / angling	4%	5%	4%	4%	6%	3%	4%	4%	10%	1%	4%	5%	8%	1%	5%	4%	5%	1%	5%	4%	6%
Judo	4%	3%	4%	4%	5%	6%	6%	3%	2%	3%	3%	6%	4%	4%	2%	6%	-	6%	4%	4%	3%
Table tennis	4%	2%	6%	3%	2%	6%	3%	2%	5%	1%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	3%	5%	6%	4%	4%	3%
Snooker / billiards / pool	4%	2%	4%	5%	4%	5%	5%	1%	5%	3%	3%	5%	5%	2%	2%	5%	3%	3%	4%	4%	3%
Squash	3%	4%	4%	1%	4%	4%	2%	2%	3%	1%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%	4%	2%
Rugby	3%	2%	4%	2%	2%	5%	4%	3%	5%	-	2%	5%	6%	1%	2%	4%	-	-	3%	3%	2%
Running / jogging	3%	4%	1%	3%	4%	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	2%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	6%	2%	3%	3%
Hockey	3%	3%	3%	2%	5%	4%	3%	2%	2%	-	2%	4%	3%	2%	3%	3%	-	-	3%	4%	1%
Cricket	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	3%	0%	2%	2%	-	-	2%	2%	2%
Curling	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	-	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%	1%	2%	2%	-	2%	1%	2%
None / no sport or leisure participation		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Figure 63: Things which would encourage participation in sport or physical activity (Residents)

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								D	emogra	aphics							
	Base	User of FIPRE	User of Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool	Non-user Dunfermline	Non-user Glenrothes	Non-user Kirkcaldy	Adults (16+)	Young people (under 24)	Male	Female	Employed	Not in w ork	Retired	Disabled	Not disabled	User of any Facilities	Non- user of facilities
Base	933	297	257	120	81	109	731	374	410	522	421	405	84	96	811	649	279
More time	35%	34%	30%	38%	38%	27%	37%	27%	33%	36%	43%	29%	25%	27%	36%	35%	35%
More up to date facilities	21%	23%	31%	8%	21%	32%	20%	26%	23%	20%	18%	24%	20%	10%	22%	21%	20%
A friendly / w elcoming environment	21%	24%	25%	16%	20%	20%	19%	24%	15%	25%	19%	21%	21%	16%	21%	21%	19%
To lose weight / to improve my health	18%	15%	14%	28%	20%	12%	21%	11%	17%	20%	23%	14%	19%	26%	18%	17%	21%
Reduced costs / affordable facilities / activities	16%	17%	16%	20%	20%	8%	16%	17%	17%	16%	16%	17%	10%	5%	18%	16%	17%
People / friends to do it with	15%	15%	19%	11%	15%	16%	13%	21%	11%	18%	12%	19%	14%	9%	15%	16%	13%
Improved equipment in facilities	14%	16%	18%	7%	7%	20%	13%	17%	15%	13%	14%	13%	7%	7%	14%	15%	10%
Information / advice on where to go	13%	13%	17%	11%	14%	17%	13%	13%	10%	15%	12%	14%	11%	15%	13%	13%	14%
Suitable facilities nearby	13%	14%	16%	8%	14%	14%	13%	13%	15%	11%	13%	12%	12%	7%	13%	14%	11%
Information / advice on w hat to do	13%	14%	18%	14%	9%	17%	13%	14%	11%	14%	13%	14%	5%	11%	13%	12%	14%
More organised classes / events at facilities	12%	16%	17%	8%	10%	8%	11%	14%	9%	15%	12%	11%	11%	10%	13%	14%	7%
Other reasons not listed	10%	9%	6%	14%	12%	12%	10%	8%	12%	7%	9%	9%	14%	24%	8%	8%	13%
More flexible opening hours in facilities	9%	11%	14%	7%	10%	6%	9%	11%	9%	9%	12%	7%	4%	9%	9%	11%	6%
Help with childcare	9%	10%	9%	7%	6%	13%	11%	5%	4%	12%	11%	8%	1%	3%	10%	9%	8%
Improved transport / access to facilities	7%	8%	7%	6%	11%	7%	6%	8%	6%	7%	5%	9%	5%	7%	6%	6%	8%
Support for my specific needs	5%	4%	5%	8%	2%	6%	6%	3%	5%	6%	5%	4%	10%	25%	3%	5%	6%
Safer neighbourhood	3%	5%	4%	3%	2%	6%	3%	4%	5%	2%	4%	3%	1%	-	4%	3%	4%

Figure 64: Evaluation of facilities in the local area by area (Residents)

	Base	Taking y	our answ e	r from th	nis card, ho	w w ou	ld you eva	luate
	Базс	Excellent	Very good	Good	Average	Poor	Very Poor	Terrible
Base	1275	8%	26%	32%	19%	11%	2%	1%
Dunfermline	417	11%	30%	30%	19%	6%	2%	1%
Glenrothes	417	12%	35%	26%	15%	9%	2%	2%
Kirkcaldy	441	2%	14%	39%	24%	17%	2%	0%

Figure 65: Evaluation of facilities in the local area by area (Community councils and sports clubs)

		Would	you say	that the	facilities av	ailable	at sport a	nd
	Base	Excellent	Very good	Good	Average	Poor	Very poor	Terrible
Base	58	3%	10%	22%	26%	24%	10%	3%
Dunfermline	15	-	7%	13%	33%	27%	13%	7%
Glenrothes	31	3%	13%	35%	16%	26%	3%	3%
Kirkcaldy	12	8%	8%	-	42%	17%	25%	-

Figure 66: Evaluation of facilities in local area for activities participated in (Residents)

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										Demogra	phics										
	Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy	User of Carnegie Leisure Centre	User of FIPRE	User of Kirkcaldy Sw imming Pool	Non-user Dunfermline	Non-user Glenrothes	Non-user Kirkcaldy		Young people (under 24)	Male	Female	Employed	Not in w ork		Disabled	Not disabled	User of any Facilities	Non- user of facilities
Base	1276	417	417	441	351	447	382	127	96	139	977	524	584	691	527	536	172	103	1129	949	323
Excellent	8%	11%	12%	2%	13%	12%	7%	6%	1%	-	8%	7%	7%	9%	7%	8%	10%	16%	8%	10%	2%
Very good	26%	30%	35%	14%	32%	32%	21%	20%	27%	10%	25%	27%	23%	29%	27%	26%	28%	29%	26%	29%	17%
Good	32%	30%	26%	39%	32%	29%	37%	29%	31%	34%	33%	31%	33%	31%	30%	32%	39%	27%	33%	33%	31%
Average	19%	19%	15%	24%	16%	15%	21%	26%	21%	27%	19%	21%	20%	19%	20%	19%	16%	19%	19%	17%	26%
Poor	11%	6%	9%	17%	5%	10%	12%	11%	11%	26%	11%	11%	12%	10%	11%	12%	5%	8%	11%	9%	17%
Very Poor	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	5%	6%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	5%
Terrible	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	-	1%	1%	2%	0%	2%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	2%

Figure 67: Satisfaction with overall sports and leisure provision in the local area by area

	Base		ch area is this aking place?	survey
		Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy
Base	1494	496	499	499
Very satisfied	12%	17%	14%	5%
Fairly satisfied	47%	49%	52%	40%
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	16%	11%	13%	23%
Fairly dissatisfied	14%	8%	12%	21%
Very dissatisfied	5%	4%	4%	6%
No opinion / not used	7%	12%	5%	5%

Figure 68: Are the current sport and leisure facilities in your area suitable for the existing and future needs of the local

community (residents)

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		Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy	User of Carnegie Leisure	User of FIPRE	User of Kirkcaldy Sw imming	Non-user Dunfermline	Non-user Glenrothes	Non-user Kirkcaldy	Adults	Young people (under	Male	Female	Employed	Not in w ork	Retired	Disabled	Not disabled	User of any Facilities	Non- user of facilities
	Base	1494	498	498	496	Centre 353	455	Pool 385	206	169	192	1186	556	683	810	605	610	235	1293	154	961	526
	Yes	52%	52%	58%	46%	63%	67%	56%	37%	35%	36%	49%	59%	51%	52%	51%	54%	47%	53%	49%	61%	34%
Now	No	36%	35%	32%	42%	32%	30%	42%	39%	41%	35%	37%	33%	36%	36%	40%	35%	29%	36%	36%	35%	39%
	Don't know	12%	13%	11%	12%	4%	3%	2%	24%	24%	28%	13%	7%	12%	12%	9%	11%	24%	12%	14%	4%	27%
	Yes	29%	34%	34%	20%	37%	38%	27%	29%	20%	18%	27%	35%	28%	31%	26%	33%	28%	29%	32%	33%	23%
In the future	No	51%	51%	48%	55%	55%	50%	59%	46%	51%	43%	52%	51%	52%	50%	57%	50%	41%	52%	46%	55%	45%
	Dont know	19%	15%	17%	25%	8%	12%	14%	25%	28%	39%	20%	13%	19%	18%	16%	17%	31%	19%	21%	11%	32%

Figure 69: Are the current sport and leisure facilities in your area suitable for the existing and future needs of the local

community (community councils and sports clubs)

			Base	Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy	Community Council	Sports Club	Other	Dunfermline Community Council	Dunfermline Sports Club	Glenrothes Community Council	Glenrothes Sports Club	Kirkcaldy Community Council	Kirkcaldy Sports Club
		Base	58	15	31	12	31	22	5	9	6	14	12	8	4
Now		Yes	34%	27%	39%	33%	19%	55%	40%	11%	50%	14%	67%	38%	25%
NOW		No	66%	73%	61%	67%	81%	45%	60%	89%	50%	86%	33%	63%	75%
	Yes		16%	20%	13%	17%	13%	23%	-	11%	33%	7%	25%	25%	-
In the future	No		81%	80%	84%	75%	81%	77%	100%	89%	67%	86%	75%	63%	100%
	Dont k		2%	-	-	8%	3%	-	-	-	-	-	-	13%	-

K. Appendix 3: Surveys & Topic Guides

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INTERVIEWER DECLARATION:

I declare that this interview was carried out according to instructions, within the Market Research Society's Code of Conduct, and that the respondent was not previously known to me.

Interviewer No:	Name:
Questionnaire No:	Sign&Date:
Edited/Coded By:	Date:
Backchecked By:	Date:
RESPONDENT DETAILS	
Name:	
Address 1:	
Address 2:	
Town:	
Postcode:	
Telephone:	
1. Within which area is this survey to INTERVIEWER CODE THE AREA Dunfermline	

Participation in Leisure Activities

(SHOWCARD 1)

2.	Which of the options on this card best describes your level of physical activity?
	(INTERVIEWER TICK ONE ONLY)

High	Medium	Low	Don't
(do lots of exercise)	(Do some exercise)	(Do little exercise)	Know

(SHOWCARD 2) (INTERVIEWER: TICK ALL THAT APPLY FOR BOTH THE LAST 4 WEEKS <u>AND</u> THE LAST YEAR)

3. Looking at this card, have you participated in any of the listed activities in the last 4 weeks and/ or in the last year?

last	4 weeks and/ or in the last year?	Last 4	Last
		Weeks	Year
1	None/No sport or leisure participation		
2	Athletics		
3	Badminton		
4	Basketball/netball/volleyball		
5	Bowls		
6	Cricket		
7	Curling		
8	Cycling		
9	Dance		
10	Fishing/angling		
11	Football		
12	Golf		
13	Gymnastics		
14	Hillwalking/climbing		
15	Hockey		
16	Horse riding		
17	Ice Skating/hockey		
18	Judo		
19	Keep Fit/aerobics		
20	Martial Arts		
21	Multigym/weight training		
22	Rugby		
23	Running/jogging		
24	Sailing		
25	Skiing/snowboarding		
26	Snooker/billiards/pool		
27	Squash		
28	Swimming		
29	Table tennis		
30	Tennis		
31	Tenpin bowling		
32	Walking (2+ miles)		
33	Yoga		
34	Other (specify)		

If none go to Q9

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8.	8. Thinking about sports or activities that you have taken part in, have you taken part in any organised competition in the past twelve months? (INTERVIEWER TICK ONE ONLY)													
		Yes		Ν	lo [Not S	Sure					

(SHOWCARD 2) 9. Which if any of the activities listed on this card would you like to participate in but currently do not? (INTERVIEWER: TICK ALL THAT APPLY)

1	None/Not interested in sport or leisure participation	
2	Athletics	
3	Badminton	
4	Basketball/netball/volleyball	
5	Bowls	
6	Cricket	
7	Curling	
8	Cycling	
9	Dance	
10	Fishing/angling	
11	Football	
12	Golf	
13	Gymnastics	
14	Hillwalking/climbing	
15	Hockey	
16	Horse riding	
17	Ice Skating/hockey	
18	Judo	
19	Keep Fit/aerobics	
20	Martial Arts	
21	Multigym/weight training	
22	Rugby	
23	Running/jogging	
24	Sailing	
25	Skiing/snowboarding	
26	Snooker/billiards/pool	
27	Squash	
28	Swimming	
29	Table tennis	
30	Tennis	
31	Tenpin bowling	
32	Walking (2+ miles)	
33	Yoga	
34	Other (specify)	

10. T	akin	DWCARD 5) ng your answer from this card, what if anything, wo	uld encourage you to							
		up or do more sport or physical activity? ERVIEWER TICK ALL THAT APPLY)								
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	2	A friendly / welcoming environment								
	3	Help with childcare								
	4	Improved equipment in facilities								
	5	Improved transport/access to facilities								
	6	Information/Advice on what to do								
	7	Information/Advice on where to go								
	8	More flexible opening hours in facilities								
	9 More organised classes/ events at facilities									
	10	More time								
	11	More up-to-date facilities								
	12	People/friends to do it with								
	13	Reduced costs/ affordable facilities/activities								
	14	Safer neighbourhood								
	15	Suitable facilities nearby								
	16	Support for your specific needs (e.g. injury or disability)								
	17	To lose weight/ to improve my health								
	18	Other reasons not listed (specify)								
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Use of local Facilities

(SHOWCARD 7)

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Fife	Institute	of Physical and	Recreati	onal Education		
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(SHOWCARD 10)

17. Looking at this card, which day of the week and at what times do you usually use this centre?

(CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY, ONLY FOR DAYS RESPONDENT USES SERVICE)

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	Morning	Lunchtime	Afternoon	Early	Evening/	Don't				
				Evening	night	Use				
Monday	1	2	3	4	5	6				
Tuesday	1	2	3	4	5	6				
Wednesday	1	2	3	4	5	6				
Thursday	1	2	3	4	5	6				
Friday	1	2	3	4	5	6				
Saturday	1	2	3	4	5	6				
Sunday	1	2	3	4	5	6				

(SHOWCARD 11)

18. How do you nor	mally travel	to the centre?
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(TICK ONE ONLY (MAIN) METHOD)

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	Car	Van	Bus/mini	Walk	Train	Bicycle	Motorbike
			bus				

(SHOWCARD12)

19. Taking your answer from this card, typically how far would you say you travel to the centre? (Miles)

(TICK ONE ONLY)

0 to 1	1 to 3	4 or 5	6 to 10	11 to 15	More	Don't
					than 15	Know

20. In your opinion is th	ne centre easy to travel to? (TICK ONE O	NLY)
Yes □	No 🔲	

(SHOWCARD 13)

21. I'm going to read out various statements about the facility you use most often, can you tell me what you think of each using the scale on this card, how would you evaluate the facility you use most often in terms of the following? (INTERVIEWER: READ OUT AND ROTATE STATEMENTS) No Opinion/ Very Good Poor Very Good **Don't Know Poor** a. Changing facilities b. Catering facilities c. Gym/fitness facilities d. Outdoor facilities/ playing fields e. Quality of buildings f. Quality of equipment g. Sports hall facilities h. Facilities for young people i. Swimming facilities j. Cleanliness of facilities k. Size of facility I. Enough room / space for all users m. Disabled access to facilities n. Facilities for mothers/ creche o. Parking facilities p. Overall quality of facility/centre **NOW GO TO Q24** (SHOWCARD 14) 22. Taking your answer from this card which of these reasons best describes why you do not use this facility/these facilities? (INTERVIEWER TICK ALL THAT APPLY) Opening times do not suit Just don't want to \square_7 \square_2 Difficulty getting to the facility Poor quality of facilities **\(\begin{array}{c} 8 \end{array} \end{array} \)** Do not know what the facility Too expensive \square_3 offers Lack of facilities \square_4 Use another leisure facility **1**0 \square_5 Poor parking facilities No time to use sports centre **1**1 Not interested in available \Box_6 Other (please specify) **1**2 activities

(SHOWCARD 15) 23. Looking at this card what, if anything would encourage you to visit these facilities? (INTERVIEWER TICK ALL THAT APPLY) Nothing could be done to encourage me 1 2 A friendly / welcoming environment 3 Help with childcare Improved equipment in facilities 4 Improved transport / access to facilities 5 Information / Advice on what to do 6 Information / Advice on where to go 7 More flexible opening hours in facilities 8 More organised classes / events at facilities 9 More time 10 More up-to-date facilities 11 People / friends to do it with 12 Reduced costs / affordable facilities / activities 13 Safer neighbourhood 14 Suitable facilities nearby 15 Support for your specific needs (e.g. injury or 16 disability) To lose weight / to improve my health 17 More things for young people to do at facilities 18 19 Other reasons not listed (specify) **Future of facilities** 24. In your opinion do you think the current sport and leisure facilities in your area are suitable for the existing and future needs of the local community? (INTERVIEWER READ OUT & TICK ONE ON EACH ROW) Yes No Don't Know/ Never used Now In the future 25. Do you have any comments you would like to add?

(SHOWCARD 16)

26. What is your opinion of how big an issue the following things are in terms of the sports and leisure facilities in your area?

(INTERVIEWER READ OUT "WE NEED TO IMPROVE FOLLOWED BY EACH STATEMENT & TICK ONE ON EACH ROW)

RE	EAD OUT:	Major Issue	Room for Improve	Satisfie d	Don't Know/ Never
WI	E NEED TO IMPROVE THE		ment		used
a.	Cleanliness of facilities				
b.	Catering facilities				
C.	Gym/fitness facilities				
d.	Outdoor facilities/ playing fields				
e.	Quality of buildings				
f.	Quality of equipment				
g.	Sports hall facilities				
h.	Facilities for young people				
i.	Swimming facilities				
j.	Changing facilities				
k.	Size of facility				
I.	Enough room / space for all users				
m.	Disabled access to facilities				
n.	Facilities for mothers/ creche				
0.	Parking facilities				
p.	Overall quality of facility/centre				
27. Do	you have any suggestions for im	proving tl	nese faciliti	es?	

INTERVIEWER READ OUT: FIFE COUNCIL COMMUNITY SERVICES ARE CURRENTLY CONSULTING WITH THE PUBLIC TO DECIDE THE MOST SUITABLE APPROACH TO SUPPORT THE SPORT AND LEISURE NEEDS OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

(SHOWCARD 17)

Carnegie Leisure Centre. Dunfermline

28. What in your opinion would be the best approach to provide the leisure facilities and activities that meet the needs of your local community?

(INTERVIEWER: CODE SECTION WHERE SURVEY IS TAKING PLACE AND TICK "YES" OR "NO" ON EACH ROW, READ OUT CENTRE NAME)

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			Yes	No
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Keep the existing centre but re-invest/re-furbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities
 Replace the existing current facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site

Fife Institute of Physical and Recreational Education (FIPRE) Glenrothes

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		Yes	No
1	Keep the existing centre with the current facilities (do nothing)		
2	Keep the existing centre but re-invest/re-furbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities		
3	Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities on the current site		
4	Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities in a different location		
5	Replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site		
6	Replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities in a different location		

Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

		Yes	No
1	Keep the existing centre with the current facilities (do nothing)		
2	Keep the existing centre but re-invest/re-furbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities		
3	Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities on the current site		
4	Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities in a different location		
5	Replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site to include dry-side facilities		

Demographics

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	[SHOWCARD 18]										
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THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS SURVEY

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JOB NO: M334

PROJECT: Fife Council Community Services: Leisure Services Survey

Survey: Community Council and Sports Club Survey

INTERVIEWER DECLARATION:

I declare that this interview was carried out according to instructions, within the Market Research Society's Code of Conduct, and that the respondent was not previously known to me

me.		
Interviewer No:	Name:	
Questionnaire No:	Sign&Date:	
Edited/Coded By:	Date:	
Backchecked By:	Date:	
Index Number: (From call sheet) Respondent Name: Sports club/ community council respondents	name	
SHEET	THIS SURVEY IS TAKING PLACE FROM Corothes	ALL:
2. INTERVIEWER IS THIS A SURVE Community Council Sports Club		

INTERVIEWER READ OUT: I'M GOING TO READ OUT A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS PLEASE ANSWER YES; NO; DON'T KNOW OR NOT RELEVANT

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ROTATE STATEMENTS		Yes	No	Don't Know	Not relevant to my organisation
3. Do you feel that your sports club/ cor council has an influence over decisio leisure & sport in your area?					
4. Are you happy with the level of input club/ community council has into dec leisure & sport in your area?					
5. Does Fife Council communicate decis leisure & sport in your area effectively sports club/ community council?					
6. Do you feel that your sports club/ cor council receives enough information decisions about leisure & sport in you	about				
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8. Do you find the council's webpage's accessing information about decision & sport in your area?					
9. Do you feel that your sports club/ corcouncil should be involved in decisio the development and operation of Spoyour community?	ns affecting				
10.Do you feel that your sports club affecting the development and opcommunity?					
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RECORD ONE ANSWER FOR			, QUU	TA. I LLAGE
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Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool				
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Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool]
INTERVIEWER READ OUT: THE FOLLO FACILITY YOUR SPORTS CLUB/ COMM IS(INTERVIEWER: Read out facility in 23. What does your sports club to the second	/IUNIT ame)	Y COUNCIL USES MOST	OFTEN	
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24. Which of these facilities / ser use most often when using [I (INTERVIEWER TICK ALL TH Café Climbing wall Combat studio Crèche Cycling studio Five-aside football pitch Fitness Suite/gym Health Suite Other (specify)	FACIL AT AF	ITY NAME HERE]?	LANK)

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	Do not know what the facility offers		Poor qua	lity of fa	acilities			
	Lack of facilities		Too expe	ensive				
	No time to use sports centre		Use anot facility	her leis	ure			
	Other (please specify)							
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More time							10
More up-to-date	e facilities						11
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Suitable facilitie	es nearby						15
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32. Thinking of the sports and leisure facilithe issues I'm going to read out whethe have "Room for improvement" or you a (INTERVIEWER READ OUT "WE NEED TO STATEMENT & TICK ONE ON EACH RO	r you coi re "Satis TO IMPRO	nsider them fied".	to be a "m	ajor issue";
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33. In your opinion do you think the facilities improved? (INTERVIEWER READ OUT 8	& TICK O			
Carnegie Leisure Centre, Dunfermline Fife Institute of Physical and Recreation				u
Education (FIPRE) Glenrothes Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool				
34. Do you have any suggestions for impro	ving thes	se facilities	?	

READ OUT: FIFE COUNCIL COMMUNITY SERVICES ARE CURRENTLY CONSULTING TO DECIDE THE MOST SUITABLE APPROACH TO SUPPORT THE SPORT AND LEISURE NEEDS OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY BY DEVELOPING THE PROVISION AT THE FOLLOWING FACILITIES

- CARNEGIE LEISURE CENTRE, DUNFERMLINE,
- FIFE INSTITUTE OF PHYSICAL AND RECREATIONAL EDUCATION (FIPRE) GLENROTHES
- KIRKCALDY SWIMMING POOL

35.I'm going to read out a few option, what, in your opinion, would be the best approach to provide the leisure facilities and activities that meet the needs of your local community?

(INTERVIEWER: CODE SECTION WHERE SURVEY IS TAKING PLACE AND TICK ONE ONLY, READ OUT CENTRE NAME)

Carnegie Leisure Centre, Dunfermline,

	Yes	No
Keep the existing centre with the current facilities (do nothing)		
Keep the existing centre but re-invest/re-furbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities		
Replace the existing current facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site		

Fife Institute of Physical and Recreational Education (FIPRE) Glenrothes

	Yes	No
Keep the existing centre with the current facilities (do nothing)		
Keep the existing centre but re-invest/re-furbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities		
Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities on the current site		
Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities in a different location		
Replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site		
Replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities in a different location		

Kirkcaldy Swimming Pool

	Yes	No
Keep the existing centre with the current facilities (do nothing)		
Keep the existing centre but re-invest/re-furbish it to provide more up-to-date facilities		
Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities on the current site		
Replace the existing facilities with new like-for-like facilities in a different location		
Replace the existing facilities with enhanced facilities on the current site to include dry-side facilities		

36. DO 3	you nave any further comments you would like to make?
37. Fror	m time to time we back check to ensure that the answers you have provi
are a	accurate and that the data we collect is of the highest standard. Can we
conf	tact you to check that this interview took place?
	Yes No No

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS SURVEY

Topic Guide: Elected Members

Current provision of sport & leisure facilities

- 1. What are your views on the current provision of sports & leisure facilities in Fife?
- 2. How could they be developed or improved?

Key issues about the (area specific)Leisure Centre

- 1. What are the key issues currently facing the centre?
- 2. Do you think the current Leisure Centre facility meets all the needs of the local community?
- 3. Are there any things missing from current Leisure Centre facility that could be provided?
- 4. Do you believe the Leisure Centre needs replaced or refurbished

Future provision requirements

 Discuss elected members opinions of the future provision requirements for Leisure Centre

Topic Guide: National Sporting Bodies

Current provision of sport & leisure facilities

- 1. What are your views on the current provision of sports & leisure facilities in Fife?
 - a. Quality of existing
 - b. Type of facilities available
 - c. Are facilities appropriate for your sport/ athletes
 - d. Access to facilities
 - e. Costs
- 2. In your opinion what gaps exist in the current provision of sport & leisure facilities in Fife?
- 3. Are there any parts of Fife where your sport is most popular?

Key issues about the Sport & Leisure in Fife

- 1. What are the key issues facing your sport/ the athletes you support, particularly in Fife?
- 2. What could Fife Council do to develop better provision of facilities for the Sport your body represents?

Future provision requirements

- How would you like to see Sport & Leisure developed in Fife to support your organisation
- 2. Are there any specific facilities you believe are missing?

L. Appendix 4: List of organisations consulted

A wide range of stakeholders were consulted in this project including residents (both users and non-users) of facilities; elected members in Dunfermline, Glenrothes and Kirkcaldy and the surrounding areas and a range of organisations which are listed below

Community Councils

Dunfermline	Glenrothes	Kirkcaldy
Central Dunfermline	Markinch Community	Cardenden Kinglassie
Community Council	Council	Community Council
Netherton Community	Glenrothes Area Res.	Dunnikier Community
Council	Fed	Council
	Pitleucheur Stenton &	
Carnock and Gowkhall	Finglassie Community	Auchtertool Community
Community Council	Council	Centre
Cairneyhill Community	Auchuty & Dovecot	Kirkcaldy West
COuncil	Residents Association	Community Council
Pitcorthy Community	Glenrothes Community	Kinghorn Community
Council	Council	Council
Rosyth Community	Milton and Coaltown of	
Council	Balgonie Comm Council	
	Auchtevmuchly and	
Crossford Community	Strathmiglo Community	
Council	Council	
Charleston, Limekilns,	Giffordtown & District	
Paltismuir	Community Council	
Rosyth Community	North Glenrothes	
Council	Community Council	
	Leslie Community	
	Council	
	Star Community Council	
	Ladybank Community	
	Council	
	Charlotte Town and	
	Giffordtown Community	
	Club	

Other Community Groups

Glenrothes
Collydean After School
Glenrothes & District Churches together
The Forward Centre
Glenrothes Educational Centre
Glenrothes Heart Club
Glenwood High School

Other stakeholders

Tayside & Fife Institute of Sport
FIPRE Management Committee
FIPRE Action Group

National Sporting Bodies

Badminton Scotland	Scottish Football Association
Basketball Scotland	Scottish Gymnastics
Cricket Scotland	Scottish Rugby Union
Cycling Scotland	Scottish Squash
Judo Scotland	Scottish Swimming
Royal Caledonian Curling Club	The Scottish Hockey Union Limited
Scottish Athletics Ltd,	Tennis Scotland
Scottish Disability Sport	

Sports Clubs

Dunfermline Glenrothes Kirkcaldy

Anonymous Sports

Club Anonymous Sports Club Anonymous Sports Club Carnegie Badminton

Club - Dunfermline Chapel Football Club Fins Swimming Club Burntisland AM

Swimming Club

Carnegie Spartans Disability Sport Fife Carnegie Swimming

Club Dundonald Bluebell Kennaway Curling Club

Dunfermline Amateur
Swimming Club Fife Canoeing Activity Group
Dunfermline Hockey

Club Fife Netball Association

Dunfermline Sub Aqua

Club Football Youth Team Fife Scots Underwater

Activities Section Glenrothes Badmington Club
Woodmill Canoe Club Glenrothes Floorball
Glenrothes Juniors

Glenrothes Recreation

Centre
Glenrothes Squash Club

Glenrothes Strollers

Jog Scotland