

Kelston Road Park Improvement Project - Initial Consultation Report

SECTION 1 - INTRODUCTION

This community consultation was carried out between July and September 2018 as part of the Kelston Road Park Improvement Project – a plan to inform the future development of the green space led by Bath and North East Somerset’s Parks and Green Spaces department.

The aim of the consultation was to:

- Understand who uses Kelston Road Park, how frequently and for what purpose.
- Identify key issues, priorities and aspirations for the park
- Inform and enable community participation within the design process
- Generate interest in creating a forum or friends group to help increase local involvement in the green space

The consultation was primarily delivered through a questionnaire which was made available on Bath and North East Somerset Council’s website and in printed form. The questionnaire asked a range of closed questions but also gave respondents a number of chances to make comments.

The consultation was promoted in the following ways:

- Over 200 printed questionnaires were delivered to properties and businesses immediately surrounding the park including those on Queens Road, Tintagel Close, Kelston Road, Donnington Walk, Raglan Walk, Barnard Walk, Monmouth Road, Ludlow Close and Caernarvon Road.
- Questionnaires were sent home with pupils attending St Keyna Primary School and were available in the Methodist church, community@67 hub and through Keynsham Town Council.
- Printed posters were displayed around Kelston Road Park, in the Coop on Queens Road, Community@67 community hub, Queens Road Methodist Church and at the council’s one-stop shop on Keynsham High Street.
- The survey was promoted on Twitter and Facebook social media channels by BathNES Parks, B&NES Council, Keynsham Town Council, Keynsham Action Network, Bath Area Play Project etc.
- Articles publicising the consultation were published in ‘The Week In East Bristol and North East Somerset’ (15/08/18) and ‘Midsomer Norton, Radstock and District Journal’ (16/08/18).



Number of Responses

A total of 92 consultation survey responses were received. 33% were returned in hard copy and the other 67% were submitted online.

The survey was completed predominantly by people aged between 31 and 60- as can be seen on page 8.

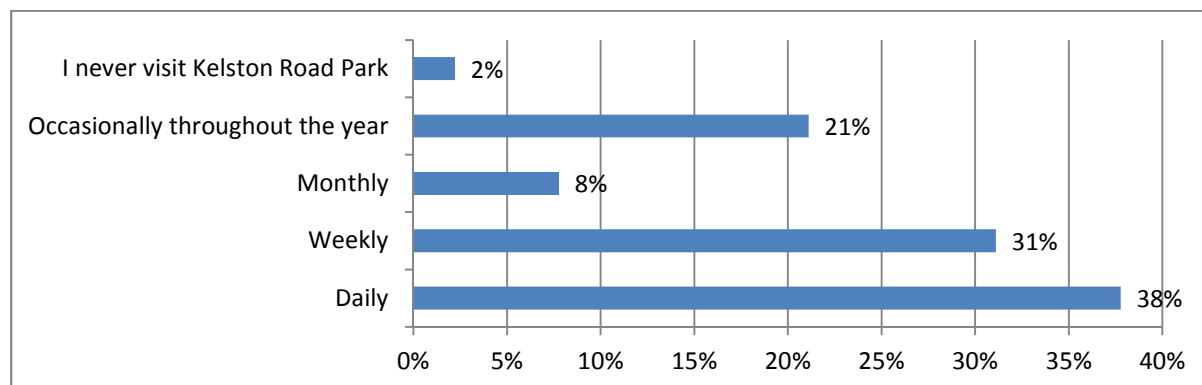
SECTION 2 - KEY CONSULTATION FINDINGS

- Kelston Road Park attracts people of all ages – mostly from within the immediate area. The park is well used by young people, particularly in the 3-12 year old age category. Most people travel to the park on-foot and spend up to 30 minutes on a typical visit. Anti-social behaviour, lack of good quality facilities and too few opportunities to sit are the most likely reasons why people don't visit and don't stay longer.
- The most likely reasons for people visiting the park are to play, as a cut through (on-foot) and to walk dogs. Despite being outdated the play area is still well used with 73% of respondents saying it is their main reason for visiting the park. Children also play informally in the ball court and in other areas of the park. The location and layout of the park in relation to other local facilities make it a popular cut-through. 63% of users reported this as being one of the main reasons for visiting.
- Survey responses demonstrate that overall, people feel the current park facilities are poor. In particular, respondents reported that there are very few opportunities to sit down, the play area contains outdated and broken play equipment and there is very little signage.
- The quality and maintenance of the football pitch was mentioned by a number of respondents. There were some criticisms about the frequency of grass cutting, and the poor drainage (and subsequent standing water and wet boggy conditions) of the football pitch was identified as being an obstacle to its use.
- Littering, anti-social behaviour and dog fouling are seen as significant issues which park users would like to see addressed. It is clear that many people feel unsafe using the park because of unauthorised vehicles accessing the field, threatening behaviour and drug use. Suggestions to address these issues included gates/bollards, CCTV, lighting and security/police presence. There is a concern that, unless these issues are resolved, any improvements will quickly be vandalised or destroyed.
- Play, signage and seating improvements are considered to be the highest priorities for the site. Comments show that people would like more modern, accessible play equipment which is suitable for a wider age-range. There are very few benches at the park and only one old sign on the play area.
- There is a general consensus that the park appears un-loved, needs to be taken better care of and should be visually improved in some way – even if respondents were unsure exactly how this could be achieved. Tree planting was a fairly popular option but other ways of improving the “look and feel” of the site, such as updated and better designed park furniture, improved and better defined path surfaces, more consistent maintenance of the BMX track and welcoming and well maintained signs also all need to be considered.
- There is an appetite amongst users to become more involved in the site – through one-off volunteering and events. The project should continue to consult with local people and facilitate community involvement in improving the park for everyone.

SECTION 3 – ANALYSIS OF QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSES

Q1) How frequently do you visit Kelston Road Park? (choose one)

Response Rate: 99%. 38% of respondents said that they visit the park daily, 31% weekly, 8% monthly and 21% occasionally throughout the year. Only 2% of respondents reported never visiting Kelston Road Park



If you never visit Kelston Road Park, please indicate why

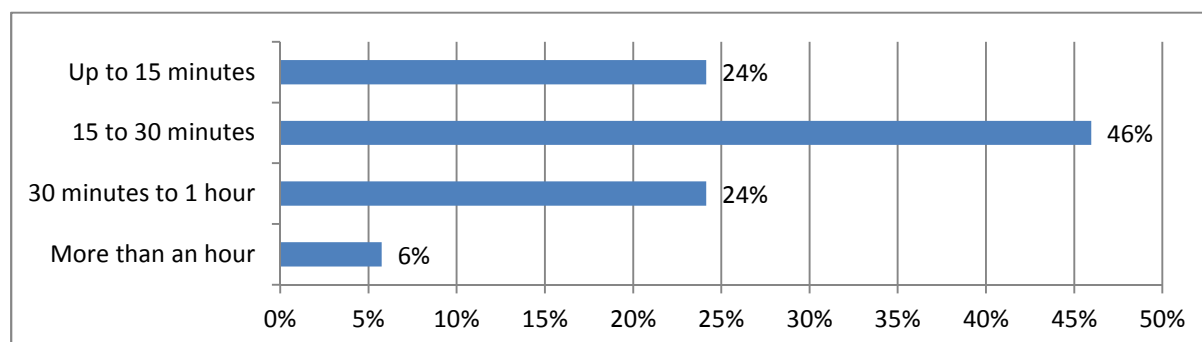
The 2 respondents who never visit Kelston Road Park indicated that the reason was lack of facilities and fear of anti-social behaviour.

Q2) How do you typically travel to the park? (choose one)

Response rate: 100%. 100% of respondents who visit Kelston Road Park travel on foot rather than driving, cycling or taking public transport.

Q3) How long do you typically spend at Kelston Road Park? (choose one)

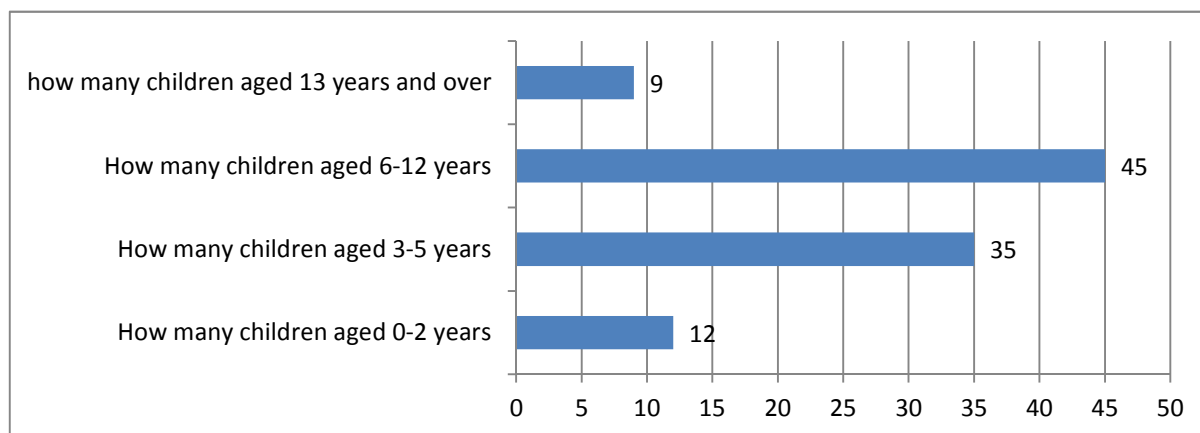
Response Rate: 98%. The responses showed that the majority of visitors (70%) typically spend up to 30 minutes per visit to the site. Only 6% spend more than an hour suggesting that the quality or lack of facilities discourages people from staying longer.



Q4) If you visit the park with children, how many are there and what are their ages?

52% of respondents indicated that they typically visit the park with children. Responses suggest that 3-12 year olds are the most likely to visit – which could be a reflection of the type and age-suitability of play equipment currently on offer.

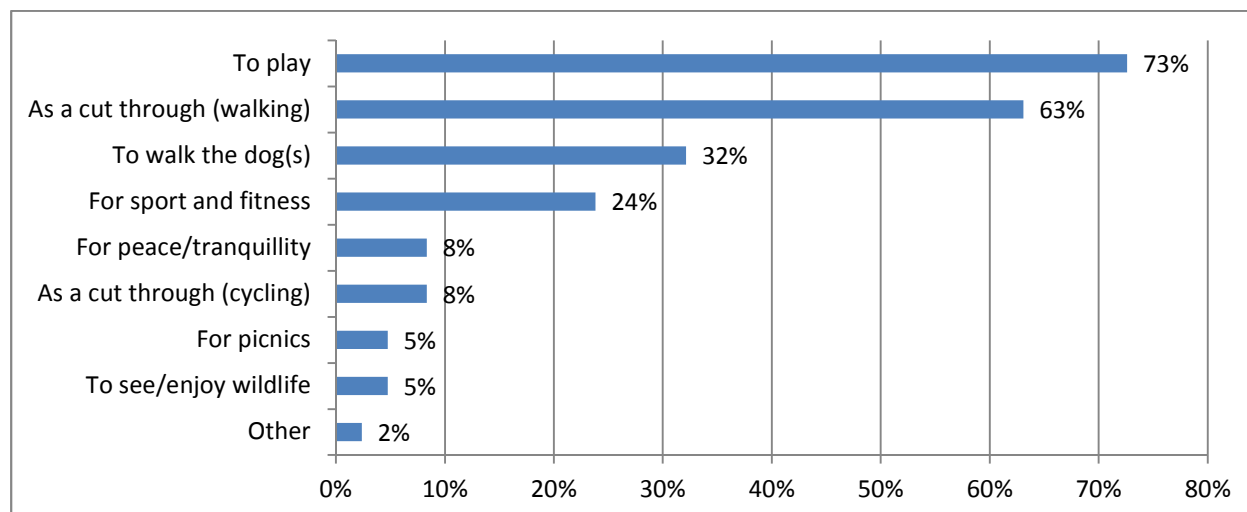
Respondents reported bringing the children of the following age ranges:



Q5) What are the main reasons that you/your family visit Kelston Road Park? (choose all that apply)

Response Rate 94%

The top three reasons for visiting were: To play (73%), As a cut through for walking (63%) and for walking dog(s) (32%).



Other reasons for visiting Kelston Road Park:

Reason	Number of respondents
It is visible from my home	3
To hang out	1
To pick up litter and recycling	1
Socialising	1

Q6) How do you rate the quality of current facilities at Kelston Road Park?

98% of respondents who visit the park answered this question.

Responses to this question show that people generally feel the current facilities are poor. The pathways were considered to be the highest quality feature of the site. The quantity and quality of seating at the park is widely considered to be particularly poor.

Feature/facility	Aggregate Score	Very Good	Good	Average	Poor	Very Poor	Unsure / I do not use
Pathways	10%	1%	30%	42%	15%	7%	0%
Entrances	4%	2%	16%	44%	6%	8%	6%
Basketball Area	-21%	1%	11%	38%	27%	7%	7%
Location of bins	-28%	0%	13%	38%	27%	15%	2%
BMX Track	-28%	1%	10%	33%	22%	17%	7%
Football pitch	-34%	0%	7%	37%	24%	17%	6%
Signs	-37%	0%	9%	29%	34%	12%	4%
Quantity of bins	-40%	0%	11%	30%	34%	18%	2%
Seating	-73%	0%	2%	19%	55%	20%	0%
Play equipment	-74%	1%	2%	10%	50%	27%	6%

*Aggregate score = (very good + good)-(poor + very poor)

Any other comments about the quality of the current facilities

40% of respondents to this question made an additional comment regarding the quality of current facilities. The most mentioned topic was play – mostly related to the poor condition of equipment and safety surfacing. Comments also included a significant number of mentions relating to littering/bins and the lack of seating. The comments are summarised under the topics listed below. The full list of comments is included in section 4.

Topic	Number of responses
Play equipment / safety surfacing	11
Litter / bins	8
Seating	8
General improvement required (unspecified)	7
Anti-social behaviour (vandalism, drug taking)	6
Sports / fitness equipment	4
Maintenance / grass cutting	4
Dog issues (dog fouling, uncontrolled dogs)	3
Planting / landscaping	2
BMX Track	2
Path surface improvements / better accessibility	2
Waterlogging	1
Cycle path	1
Lighting	1
Cars parking on the field	1
Signage	1

Q7) Please indicate which of the following potential improvements is a priority for you

Response Rate: 99%

The responses show that there is strong support for improving the play facilities, installing signage, providing more opportunities to sit and planting more trees. All of the suggested improvements were supported but better picnic facilities and wildlife enhancements are considered lower priority.

Potential Improvement	Aggregate Score	High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority	Not a priority
Better play facilities	78%	62%	23%	5%	2%
Installation of signage i.e. community noticeboard, welcome sign etc.	70%	40%	44%	9%	3%
More opportunities to sit	57%	47%	31%	12%	1%
Planting more trees	43%	42%	25%	16%	3%
Better opportunities for health and fitness i.e. installation of outdoor gym equipment	41%	36%	29%	18%	8%
Soft landscaping i.e. more flowers / planting	41%	26%	41%	19%	4%
Better routes/pathways within the park	38%	21%	36%	19%	8%
Improved BMX track	36%	36%	26%	23%	3%
Better sports / games area i.e. a multi-use games area	24%	24%	30%	26%	9%
Improved drainage i.e. less standing water/mud after heavy rainfall	24%	12%	42%	26%	9%
Picnic facilities	16%	24%	30%	29%	4%
Enhancements for wildlife i.e. plant wildflower area, create pond , orchard etc.	15%	21%	31%	32%	7%

*Aggregate score is calculated using: (high priority + medium priority) - (low priority + not a priority)

Any other suggested improvements

32% of respondents to this question made an additional comment. Again, play improvements received most comments, along with reducing anti-social behaviour, improving sports facilities and providing facilities for a wider range of ages. The comments are summarised under the topics listed below. The full list of comments is included in section 4.

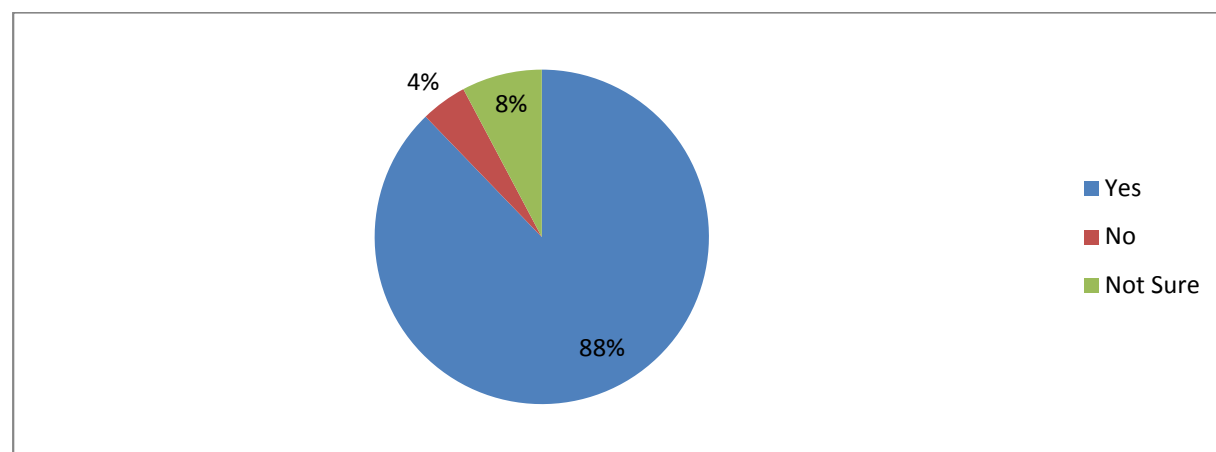
Suggestion	Number of mentions
Play improvements	7
Less anti-social behaviour (graffiti, vandalism, drug taking, cars and motorbikes entering the park)	6
New/improved sports facilities (football, table tennis. Cricket)	5
Facilities for a wider age range of children	5
Dog issues (less dog fouling, restrict dog walking to a dedicated area)	4
Install CCTV / more security	4
Install lighting	3
Fix paths and make the site more accessible	3
Install a BBQ / Picnic area	2
Better maintenance (cut grass more frequently and remove cuttings)	2

Less litter	2
Outdoor Gym	1
Improve drainage	1
Improve BMX track	1
Install a cycle path	1
General landscaping improvements	1
Better and more seating	1
Community garden / allotments	1
Wildlife improvements (i.e. bird boxes, wildflowers)	1
Construct a new pond	1

Q8) Are you likely to visit Kelston Road Park more regularly if improvements are made?

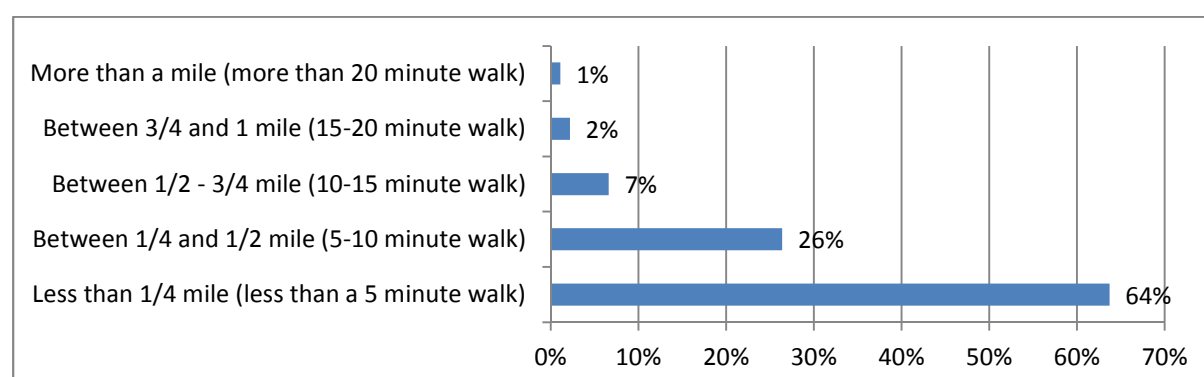
99% of respondents answered this question.

The majority of respondents said that they are likely to visit Kelston Road Park more regularly if improvements are made. Those who answered 'No' or 'Not Sure' said it was because they already visit regularly or they are put off by anti-social behaviour.



Q9) Roughly how far do you live from Kelston Road Park

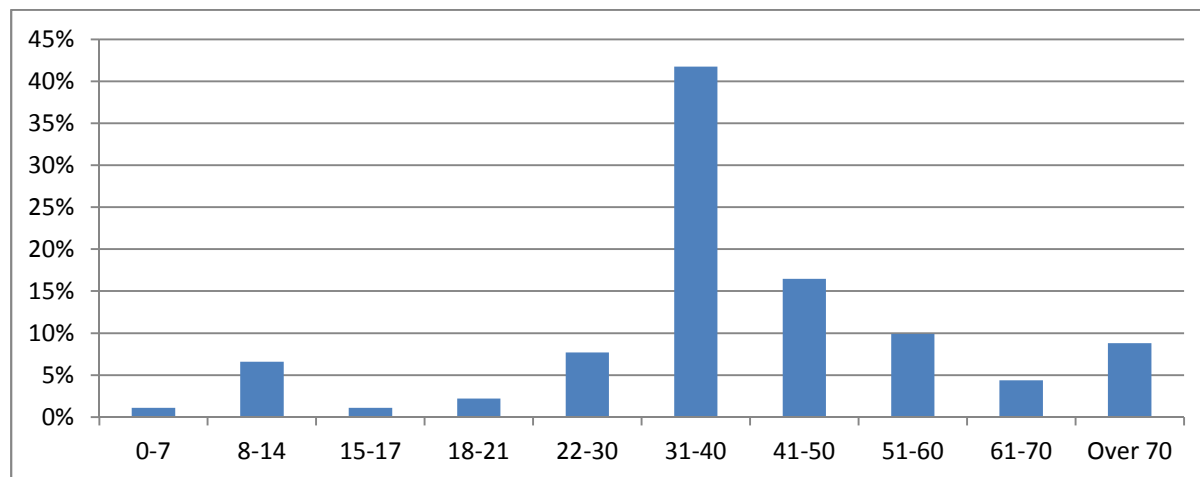
99% of respondents answered this question. Responses to the survey suggest that the majority of visitors (90%) live within a 10 minute walk of the site. The park attracts very few visitors from further afield.



Q10) Your age

Response Rate: 99%.

The survey was completed mostly by people between the ages of 31 and 60.



Q11) Do you have any other comments about Kelston Road Park, the current facilities or what improvements might be made

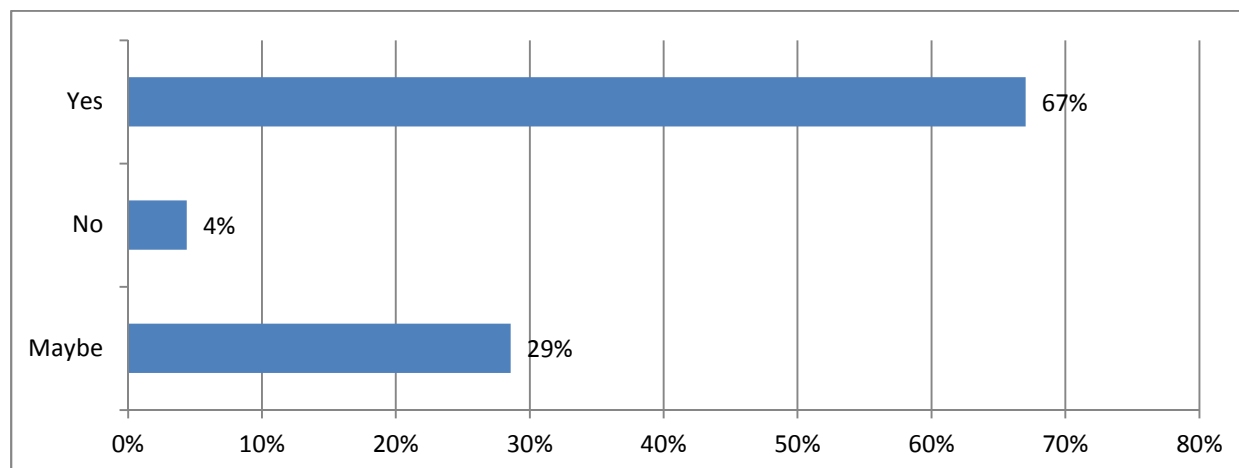
45% of respondents made an additional comment. The comments show that anti-social behaviour is considered an issue at the park. Issues include vandalism, drug taking, threatening behaviour and unauthorised cars and motorbikes accessing the park. Some respondents said they don't use the park for this reason and others expressed fears that any improvements will quickly be vandalised. The comments are summarised under the topics listed below. The full list of comments is included in section 4.

Topic	Number of Responses
Anti-social Behaviour (vandalism, graffiti, drugs)	14
Wildlife improvements (trees, wildflowers, pond)	6
Bins/litter	4
Maintenance (grass cutting)	4
General landscape improvements	4
Play improvements	4
Lighting, security, CCTV	4
Dog issues (dog fouling)	3
Seating	2
Open up old Kelston School site	2
Improve accessibility (play and paths)	2
Improve paths	2
Sports/fitness facilities	2
Seating	1
Need for Parking	1
Stop vehicles going in the park	1
Community garden / allotments	1
Events	1
Toilets	1

Q12) Would you be interested in attending events at Kelston Road Park?

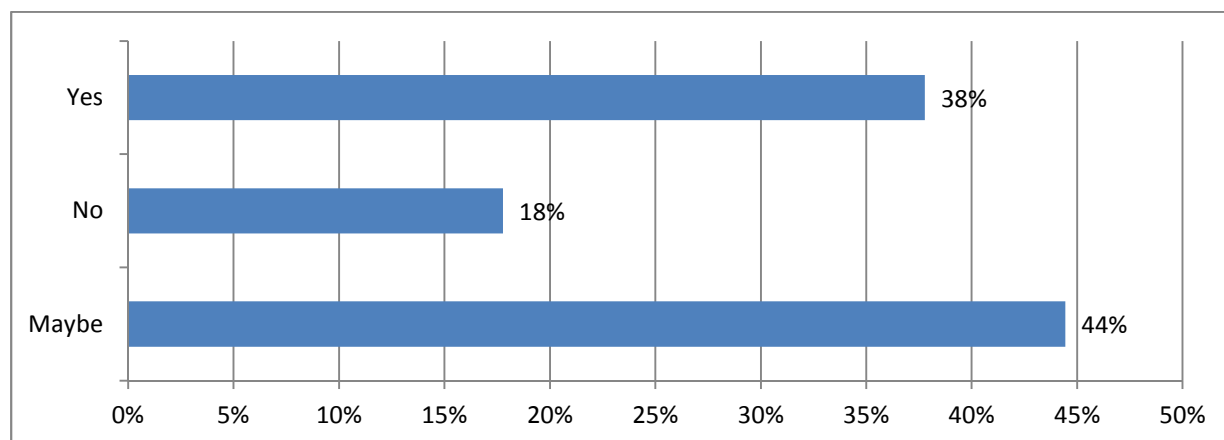
Response Rate: 98%

The answers to the next two questions show that there is a good level of interest in people attending events at the park and taking part in volunteering events.



Q13) Would you consider taking part in one-off volunteering events at Kelston Road Park?

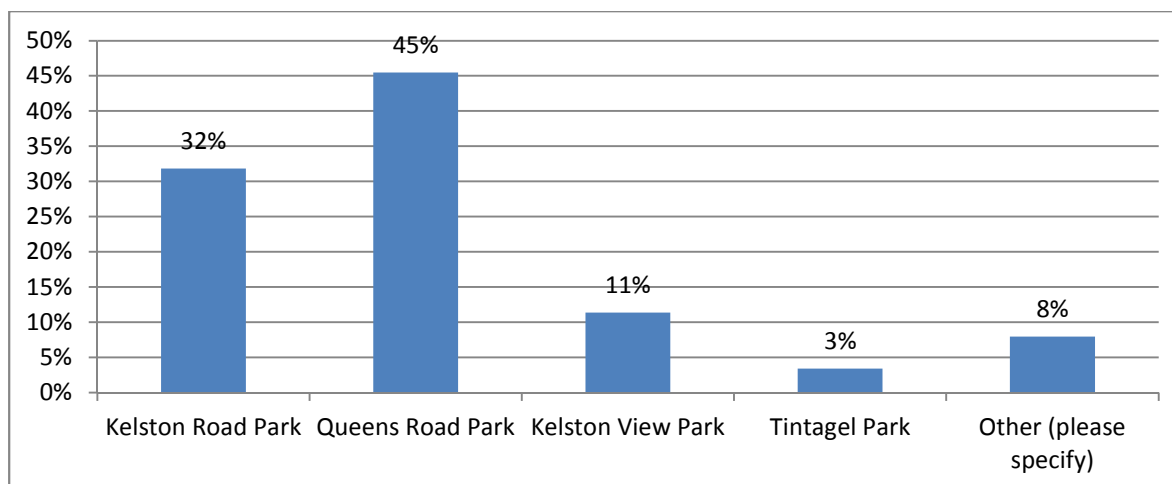
Response Rate: 97%



Q14) We understand that the park is known by a number of different names. What would you like the park to be known as?

Response Rate: 96%

The majority of respondents to this question would either like the park to be known as Queens Road Park or Kelston Road Park. The only sign currently at the park is located in the play area and refers to the green space as Kelston Road Park. Other suggestions included Kelston Park, St Keyna Green, Oasis and Kelston Family Park.



SECTION 4 – FULL COMMENTS

Q6) Any other comments about the quality of the current facilities

Sadly although in principle the facilities are quite good for very young children older children and irresponsible people/youths burn the bins, throw and leave litter around, smoke dope there and some inconsiderate dog owners leave the dog mess around
The play area needs serious renovation as equipment and surfaces are in dangerous condition.
Let down by lack of maintenance - play equipment in poor condition and NEVER cleaned. Very limited seating - any new seating needs to be well designed and vandal proof, as do bins - the concrete stone studded ones in Keynsham Park would be ideal. BMX track a waste of time. Nice landscaping would be great - the old Kelston Road school site should be incorporated NOT used for housing. The land does get wet although this has improved in recent years.
Needs a cycle path
The location and amount of bins are not the problem, the problem is people don't use them!
Could do with some seating away from the play area so those drinking in the middle of the day are further away from play area.
More fitness equipment please
Lovely to have this green space long may it last and be protected . With all your building you have approved it should be used more , Could benefit from more lighting especially at the lower end when your walking through at night .
Kids play area needs updating, very poor condition
The park is completely spoilt by the very poor service of cutting the grass. Often the grass is so long that the grass area is not satisfactory to walk on. Please improve the quality and frequency of the grass cutting before any thing else. Thank you.
My concerns would be if it was made more attractive it would get damaged and attract the yobos that hang around?
The play equipment is very dated and really needs to be upgraded to provide challenging play for all ages. A larger version of wick play area with the wooden climbing frame would be great.
There needs to be more bins and dog waste bins around the park and grass area. The grass area/football pitch is not cut nearly enough therefor making it difficult to play football, especially as you have to be mindful of dog fouling. The quality of all the play equipment within the play park is very very poor and quite frankly dangerous, especially the roundabout. All the play equipment should be changed and updated. There should be more seating within the play park area and also just outside, the current ones are barely useable. Often graffitied and damaged.
I would like to see some action against the car parking that occurs on the field I have photographs to back this it is after all a children's play

area and not a car park !
It all needs a good update and better facilities
Just needs improving. For such a big space it could be much more inspiring
The playground is falling apart. There needs to be more for kids of all ages. And adults. Like an outdoor gym
Gates and entrances- there aren't many so couldn't really comment. The BMX track is overgrown and unusable and in the last year I've not seen anyone use it. Pathways are fine but sometimes covered in litter. The football pitch is non existent and since the goal posts have fallen over, nothing has been done about it and the debris is just left there!!!! Basketball area is well used and enjoyable to use, but does tend to be used as a smoking area for younger children. There is a lack of seating and the only seating is normally surrounded by litter and needs some TLC. The park could do with a couple more bins but some aren't in the best location.
there are not enough benches
the area looks unattractive and barren. some of the pathways have huge bumps in the tarmac making it hard for wheel chair users and pushchairs. The play park has an okay selection of equipment but it looks worn out. not enough bins and frequently see bags of dog poo just left on the grass. minimal benches. it would be nice to have a more sociable area and introduce plants.
Cut grass should not be left on the grass areas. It should be collected and removed
Really needs updating
Not in good condition
I feel there is a need for more designated bins to deal with dog waste as the park is used a lot by walkers, which is good
Unwanted graffiti. Recycling bins required More seating areas required Good signs would be an asset. Broken glass is dangerous
they need updating quite seriously
Play equipment is very old and is becoming dangerous
I reckon you could of done better
The goal net went down
no accessible equipment or flooring - not easy to push a wheelchair
We walk through the park on the way home from school. We occasionally go in the play park but if it was better managed with better equipment we would use it a lot more
Very outdated and not well maintained
Its nice to have a mix of green space / football pitch and play park
Most of the play equipment has seen better days. Roundabout and see-saw hard enough for adults to move, never mind a child. Bridge on climbing frame missing and boarded up! Swings need greasing or something!
The seating isn't adequate or enough

Q7) Any other improvements you would like to see at the park

To be suitable for all children up to the age of 18. Outdoor gym. Barbecue benches.
Sadly I feel whatever improvements the council make the park facilities will be destroyed by vandals as per above
Play area needs major renovation.
Better maintenance and removal of graffiti!!

a Park like by holmoak road would be very good and having a smaller play area for under 3's enclosed by railings.
Good facilities for children and teenagers to encourage them to play outside there's a lot of interest in football but the pitch is poor
Outdoor permanent table tennis table(s)
Enclosed dog area so big dogs aren't running around near children. Stop motorbikes and cars going on the grass. Two fenced play areas for different ages like Emerson's green.
Grass could be kept in a better condition especially in summer why can't it be picked up ? Instead it is left to rot. Drainage definitely needs to be improved especially in the autumn and winter there are at least 6 months of year you cannot walk or stand on the playing fields because of surface water and bad drainage.
Fully accessible play equipment for disabilities.
Again more lighting especially if these enhancements go ahead
This park has the size to serve all children in the area but once you've grown out of swings and slides there's not much else so an improved football area and perhaps a cricket area , an improved bmx area and better basketball too
Marked Cycle path through to high street
CCTV, lighting
It would be nice to have less dog poo lying around
Better lighting it's extremely dark across the area apart from the main footpath
At the moment it can be a hotspot for kids, adults congregating in negative ways. Drinking, smoking cannabis. Swearing shouting. More foot patrols needed by police. CCTV. In addition to improving the area.
Gates at the end of the roads to prevent people riding cars and mopeds on it at night
The park needs some general tlc when it comes to the play facilities. As someone who will one day start their own family the choice of play equipment could do with an upgrade. By enhancing how the park looks with flowers, ponds ect it would make this park more appealing as if it wasn't for the location I would avoid this park completely. I tend to use the memorial park whenever I have more time to walk the dog. Better seating or nicer picnic facilities would help as it would encourage me to spend more time within the park. The general look of the park is ruined by the amount of litter which is scattered all over the place.
I have recently been to a few parks in Chippenham when visiting a friend and Thier parks have big signs up telling the community what each piece of equipment everything slides, bins ect cost I think this would be a good idea in this area. Maybe things would be less likely to be damaged if they had a value.
Community garden or allotments - High priority
There is a lot of space in the park and it could be utilised more widely for enhanced community use. I thing a designated dog area may be useful as well, especially if other improvements are made
Bird boxes Areas of unmown grass to allow grasses to grow and so attract interesting insects and arachnids I like the idea of a pond but as this park does attract vandalism at present , a pond may become stagnant and an eyesore. If it is managed propely , had a boardwalk , a fountain and pond plants including reeds and lilies and people were encouraged to look after it properly it could be a lovely feature.
Surrounding walk path fixed - High priority
A part for older kids
Nets on the goal posts: Medium priority Plenty of dog bins: High priority CCTV: High Priority Mixture of play equipment for all ages: High priority
Accessible equipment Better accessible paths / floors
Security warden
Bins: high priority

Q11 Do you have any other comments about Kelston Road Park, the current facilities or what improvements might be made

Vandalism and graffiti is a massive problem.
You will need to have someone patrolling to keep an eye out for any new facilities you provide and actually fine the people when you catch them burning, breaking, littering, smoking dope etc
More seats, more rubbish bins and dogpoo bins. These need to be emptied and repaired regularly.
There is nowhere near enough trees or plants and habitats for wildlife. The lack of trees causes immense echoes around the area as it is surrounded by buildings. More trees would break up the view of the buildings and provide more habitats for birds etc. There should be some areas of planting aswell to improve the appearance of the area as well as helping wildlife. This park could be such a nice place with some landscape attention.
Incorporate the old Kelston Road school site into a bigger, better, adult park. It has established trees and should NOT be used for housing. A better site for housing would be the area of land near Tintagal Court.

<p>Often grass isn't cut in spring There's always dog pooh around Kids displaying anti social behaviour spoils it Often people smoking cannabis and swearing is off putting</p>
<p>The misuse of the park and its facilities is the biggest problem. glass is often broken on the pavements, rubbish everywhere and dog bins not emptied often enough and are regularly overflowing. If the upkeep was better people would probably use it more</p>
<p>Is the old area of Kelston school part of the plat area or the school? Could tgis be opened up as a nature area? Add pond etc.</p>
<p>It would be nice to see this area maintained properly as it is nice to see children over there playing football and ball games which all our children did when they were young. The grass does not get cut regularly enough in the growing season which Dog walkers find very difficult to pick up the dogs faeces in long grass, needs to be more bins around the field as very often they are overflowing with general rubbish</p>
<p>Please put some in some disability accessible equipment! Plus perhaps an obstacle course</p>
<p>Improved play equipment essential. Cycle lane to high street would open up a green corridor down to high street from all the new houses</p>
<p>I have a very direct interest in this park. I was thirteen when I led my friends in the collection of a petition to achieve somewhere where we as kids could play football without being chased away. Once the names had been gathered my Dad took me to the Keynsham Urban District Council offices on the Wellsway where I met the town clerk and following our meeting the town council designated the Kelston Road field as a playing field and erected a pair of goal posts. So as you might imagine I have no wish to see the ability of children to play football or other such ball games diminished.</p>
<p>Massive opportunity to plant moor trees and add some park like character to the area and a better vibe</p>
<p>I think it is very important to keep the park and facilities for all concerned for health and social reasons. It's a shame it is spoilt by the yobos that congregate around Tintagel. I think they should remove the flats and build housing to buy and rent.</p>
<p>Make people feel safer walking through the area and ensure children's areas are kept clean. I personally feel vulnerable when walking through the park and would not let my child play there for fear of what dangers might be found in the play park. Lighting, cctv and other security measures may help.</p>
<p>I think the park should be locked at a certain time of night the children it's currently designed for are not out late leaving the older adolescents to run riot</p>
<p>My parents visit a lot when they have my children to stay during the school holidays... I would like to see a nicer cleaner safer environment for my children and for my elderly parents</p>
<p>A path direct to park from Charlton rd side would be great as it gets v muddy to walk across. Desperately need new roundabout and suggest seesaw with numerous seats so lits kids can go on. Its great but gets v hot in summer need tree shade and some seats inside park there needs to b a path from the gate as at the moment if raining you have to go in mud with buggy then in path</p>
<p>See previous comment</p>
<p>As well as the comments already made about the lack of attention and the general untidiness about the park, when the grass gets cut instead of leaving all the grass on the ground it could be removed like memorial park is.</p>
<p>Better parking/access to park</p>
<p>Currently the grass area of the field and the walks within the area are very often used at the weekend like a car especially Raglan walk, even though there is a wall at the top they will find an unblocked entrance and drive across the field. This as you can imagine is very dangerous. No vehicles should be aloud to get on to the grass. I think you should look at a way of stopping this. I do not let my children play out there on there own as it's far to dangerous which is so sad as our house looks onto the field. Also the lighting is terrible at night I certainly wouldn't want to walk around the field to get to my house, one side nearest Melton road isn't lit at all. I know a lot of dog walkers stick to the main roads in the winter months when it gets dark early as it's safer. Especially with the reported muggings that have happened in the last few years. Better lighting in my opinion would deter this.</p>
<p>This would be a good space to hold community activities and to have a community garden where vegetables and flowers could be grown by and for the local community</p>
<p>For the park to be kept well and respected by residents in the community, they need to own it and be involved in decisions at the earliest opportunity. St Keyna and St Johns Primary Schools also need to be invited to come on board in discussions and decisions.</p>
<p>It would be lovely to have a new park that has plenty of fun things for the kids to do. more trees outside to soak up excess water and more drainage. Also, would be nice to have wooded area too.</p>
<p>Worried that equipment and facilities would just get trashed straight away.</p>
<p>I have covered this within the multiple choice answers</p>
<p>Some tall stuctures , perhaps a totem pole , a maypole , a flagpole , a pigeon coop.</p>
<p>Pergolas , Big rocks to sit on and for children to clamber over. A labyrinth dug into the earth to follow to the middle and out again , a maze made of hedging plant , a dog creche</p>
<p>It would be lovely to get it improved, but I'm pretty sure it will get vandalised shortly afterwards so that needs to be addressed. Maybe CCTV put up.</p>
<p>Whether I would visit more regularly would depend on groups hanging about</p>

I've lived in Keynsham my whole life and the park hasn't changed much in the 24 years I've lived in Keynsham. Needs an upgrade and surrounding area. Maybe a dock pond
Could be a very nice park. Improvements need to be made. The whole area including pathways needs development
I reckon you should put in toilet facilities
Dog walkers regularly let their dogs mess in the park so having a regular dog warden in attendance would be hugely beneficial
We would definitely spend more time there if there was accessible equipment or a large sandpit for my disabled child's needs. At present she has to sit and watch others so we avoid going there or just spend a short time.
I'm not sure if I'd visit more regularly - it's more the area around it and how it'll be treated by it's immediate residents. You need to look closely at where you're spending the money as it's pointless spending money if things are going to be immediately vandalised. I must note - I think money and time should be spent on improving the main park in Keynsham first as this brings a lot of people to Keynsham and hasn't been improved for years!
The play equipment is inappropriate for small children - hard to access, often dangerous and badly thought out. I can't let my small children just play - they need a lot of support to use the equipment. Also, lots of the equipment is broken (seesaw/roundabout).
The current facilities are a good mix for all ages. A good mix of play equipment for all ages will improve the use of the park
Not enough to do. Sometimes the children frequenting the park are badly behaved / foul language
Type of people hanging around. Kids in groups swearing, fighting and shouting out comments. People smoking weed/grass where kids playing. Can be quite intimidating visiting the park at times!
I have no need to visit this space. Would choose The Park in preference. More seating is needed. I would like it to be a safe and secure area for young people to be ~ to socialise, chat and own. Probably be patrolled and monitored for drug use.
More bins to limit litter